RESTful Microservices
from the Ground Up

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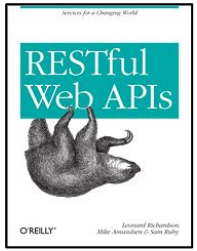

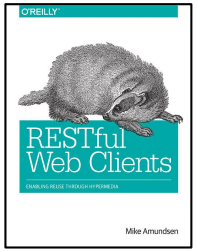

Agenda

- 9:00 - 9:45 : What are RESTful Microservices?
- 9:45 - 10:30 : Models, Messages, and Vocabularies
- 10:30 - 10:45 : BREAK
- 10:45 - 11:30 : Runtime Service Infrastructure
- 11:30 - 12:15 : The Adaptable System
- 12:15 - 12:30 : Summary

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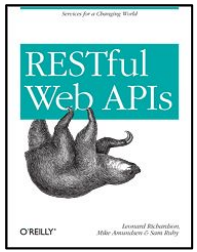
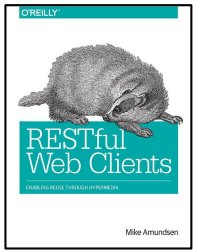
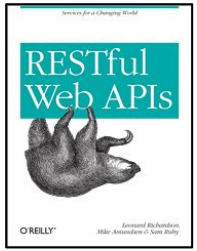
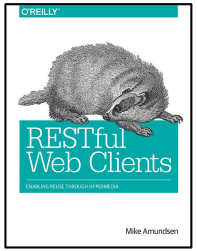




Materials

- Laptop w/ wifi
- NodeJS
- Browser and cURL
- Your favorite editor
- Github and Heroku
- Pen and Paper





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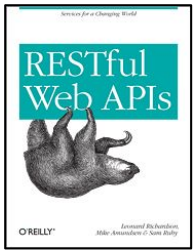

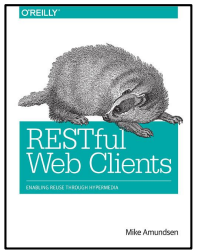

What are RESTful Microservices?

- Microservices
- RESTful-ness
- A New Kind of Service
- *Analysis Exercise*

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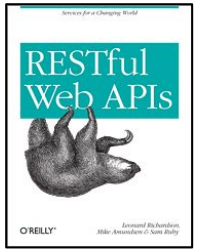

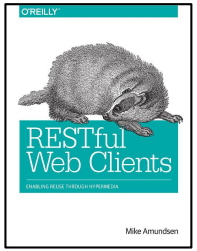

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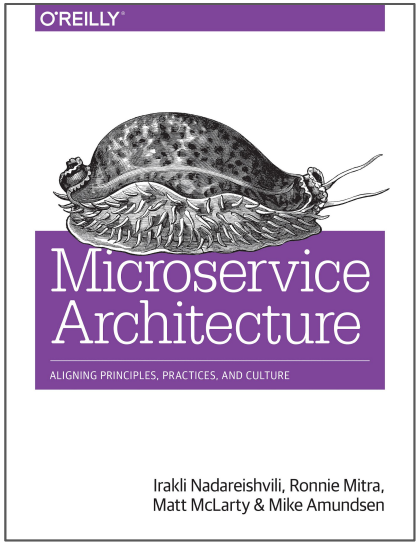

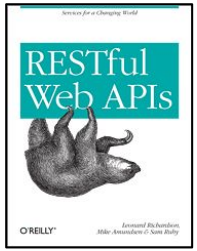

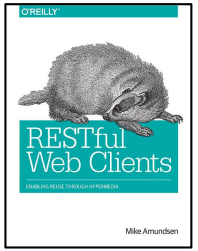

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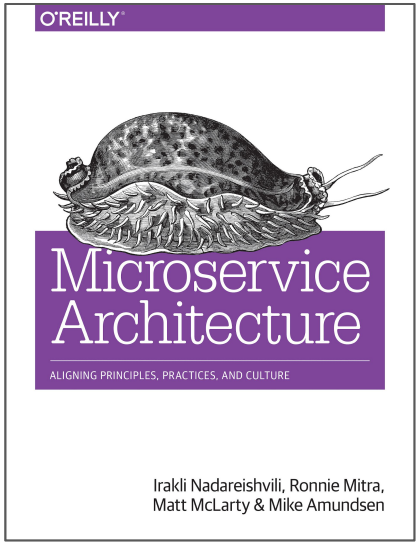

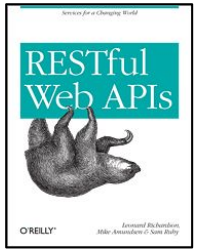

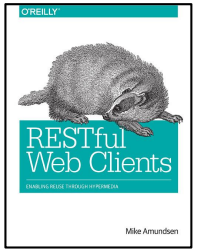

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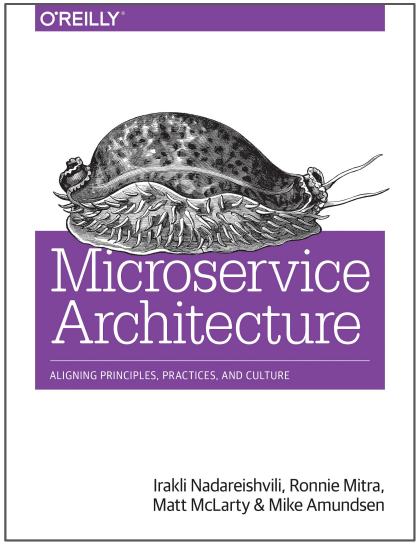

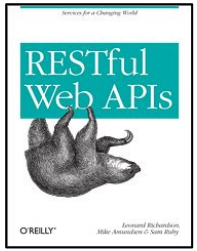

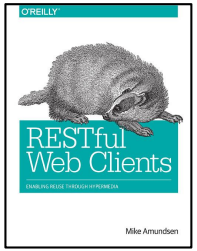

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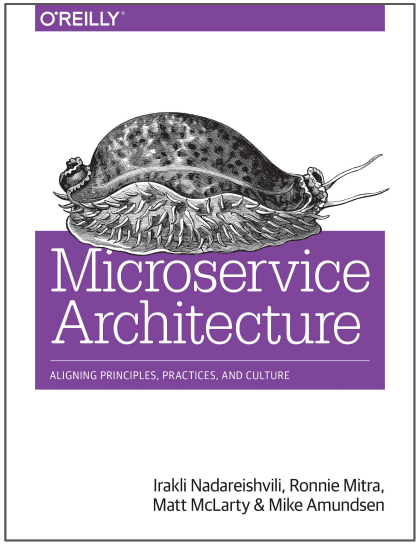

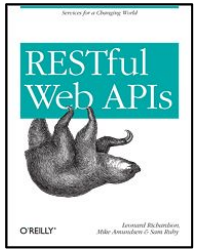

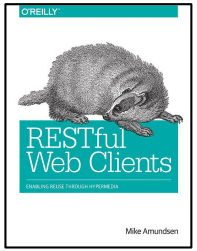

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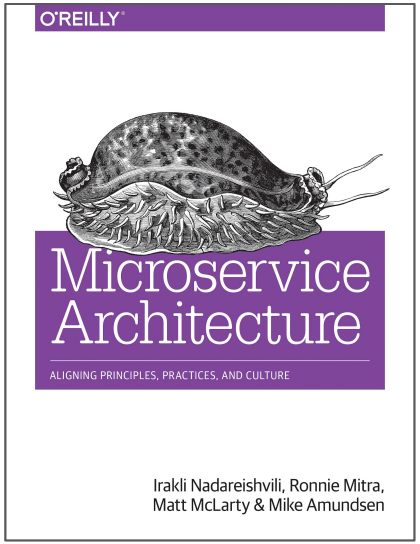

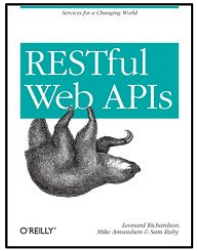

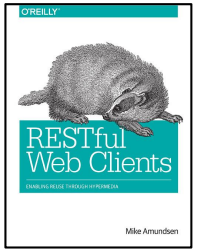

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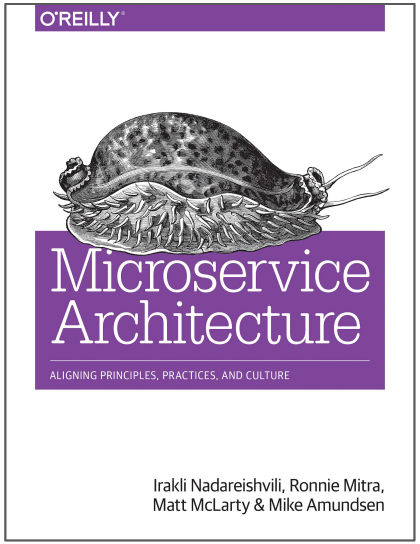

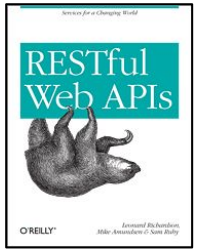

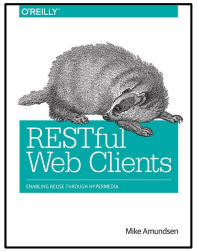

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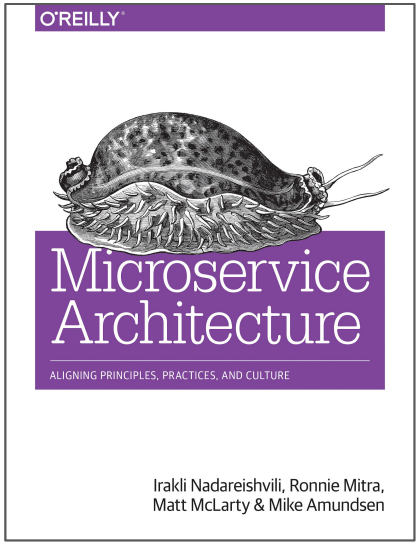
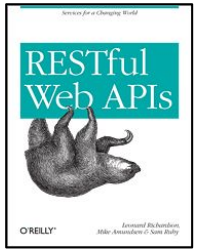
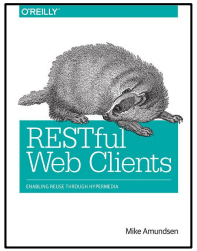
- Independently deployable
- Bounded scope
- Message-based
- Highly automated
- Evolvable







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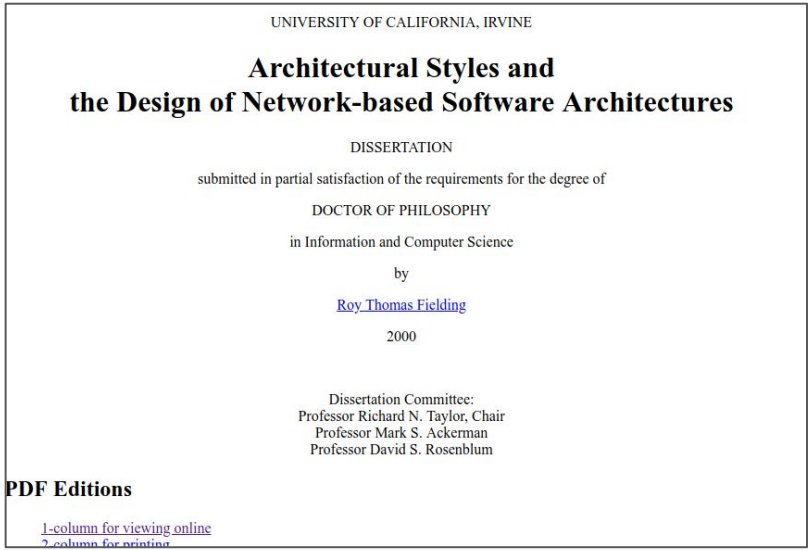

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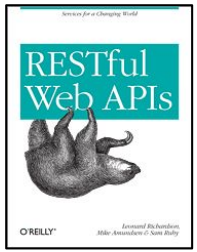

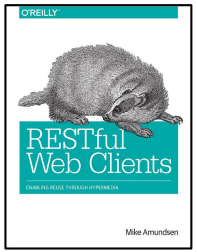

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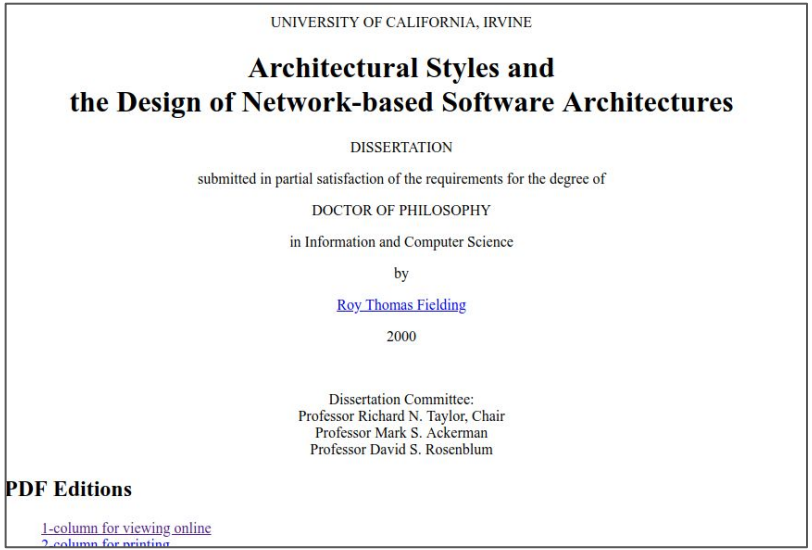

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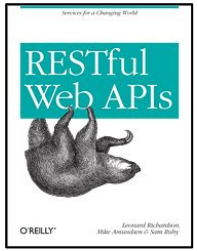

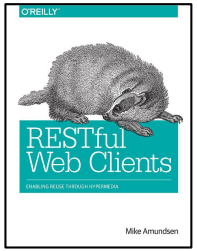

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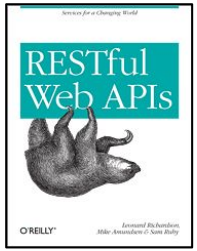

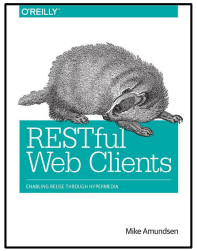

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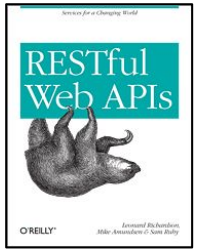

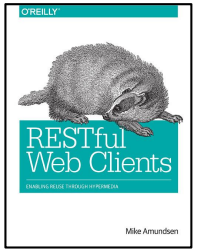

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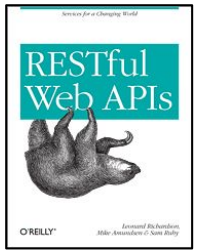

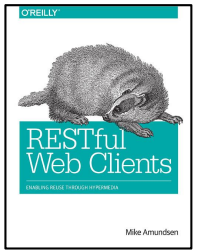

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Properties	+ Requirements	= Constraints
• Performance	• Low-Entry Barrier	• Client-Server
• Scalability	• Extensibility	• Stateless
• Simplicity	• Distributed Hypermedia	• Cache
• Modifiability	• Internet Scale	• Uniform Interface
• Visibility		• Layered System
• Portability		• Code on Demand
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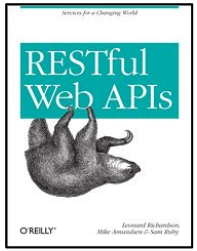

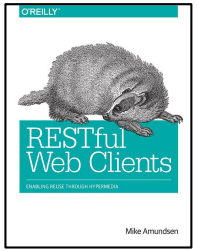

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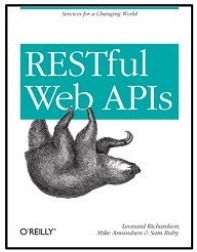

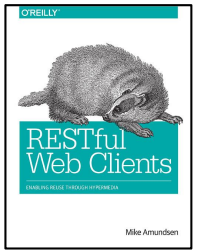

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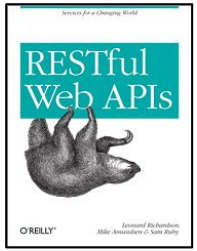

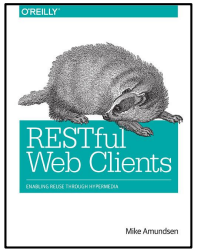

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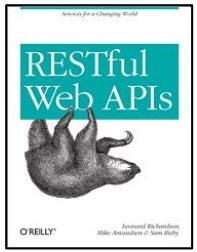

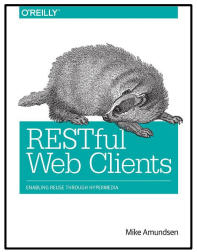

A New Kind of Service Constraints

- Manage only service-state, not client state (no persistent sessions)
- Rely on Uniform Interface protocols (HTTP, MQTT, CoAP, etc.)
- Communicate in Structured Formats (HTML, Atom, Cj, HAL, etc.)
- Support Shared Vocabularies (ALPS, DCAP, etc.)
- Support Advertising, Discovery, and Health-Check

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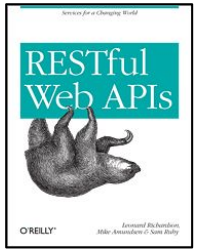

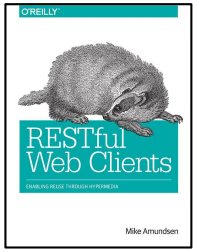

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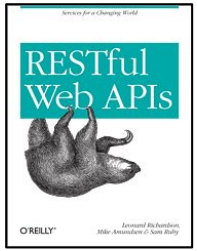

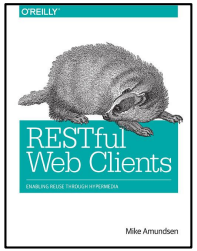

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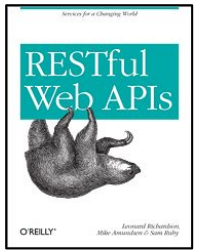

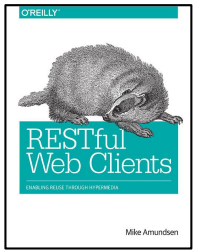

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- Models on the Inside
- Messages on the Outside
- Vocabularies Everywhere
- *Design Exercise*

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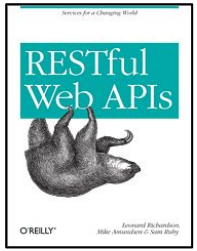

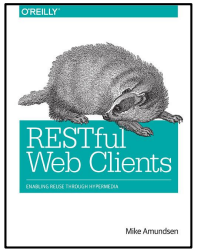

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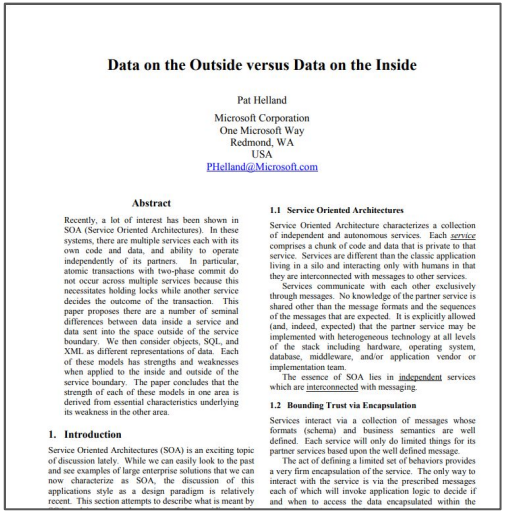

Data on the Outside versus Data on the Inside

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Abstract

Recently, a lot of interest has been shown in SOA (Service Oriented Architectures). In these systems, there are multiple services each with its own code and data, and ability to operate independently of its partners. In particular, atomic transactions with two-phase commit do not occur across multiple services because this necessitates holding locks while another service decides the outcome of the transaction. This paper proposes there are a number of seminal differences between data inside a service and data sent into the space outside of the service boundary. We then consider objects, SQL, and XML as different representations of data. Each of these models has strengths and weaknesses when applied to the inside and outside of the service boundary. The paper concludes that the strength of each of these models in one area is derived from essential characteristics underlying its weakness in the other area.

1. Introduction

Service Oriented Architectures (SOA) is an exciting topic of discussion lately. While we can easily look to the past and see examples of large enterprise solutions that we can now characterize as SOA, the discussion of this applications style as a design paradigm is relatively recent. This section attempts to describe what is meant by

1.1 Service Oriented Architectures

Service Oriented Architecture characterizes a collection of independent and autonomous services. Each service comprises a chunk of code and data that is private to that service. Services are different than the classic application living in a silo and interacting only with humans in that they are interconnected with messages to other services.

Services communicate with each other exclusively through messages. No knowledge of the partner service is shared other than the message formats and the sequences of the messages that are expected. It is explicitly allowed (and, indeed, expected) that the partner service may be implemented with heterogeneous technology at all levels of the stack including hardware, operating system, database, middleware, and/or application vendor or implementation team.

The essence of SOA lies in independent services which are interconnected with messaging.

1.2 Bounding Trust via Encapsulation

Services interact via a collection of messages whose formats (schema) and business semantics are well defined. Each service will only do limited things for its partner services based upon the well defined message.

The act of defining a limited set of behaviors provides a very firm encapsulation of the service. The only way to interact with the service is via the prescribed messages each of which will invoke application logic to decide if and when to access the data encapsulated within the

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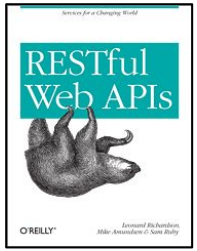
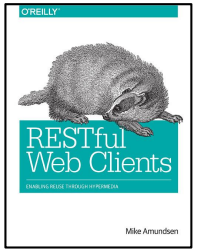
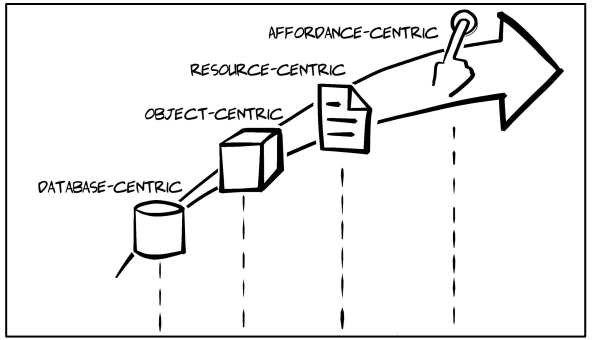




Models on the Inside

- Inside is immediate, transactional
- Data storage models (**`customers.db, orders.db`**)
- Programming object models (**`objCustomer`**)
- Inside is local, controllable
- Inside relies on a shared "now"



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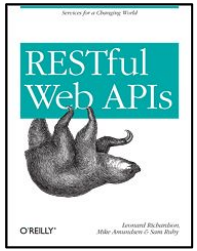
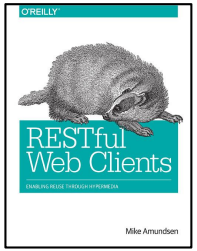
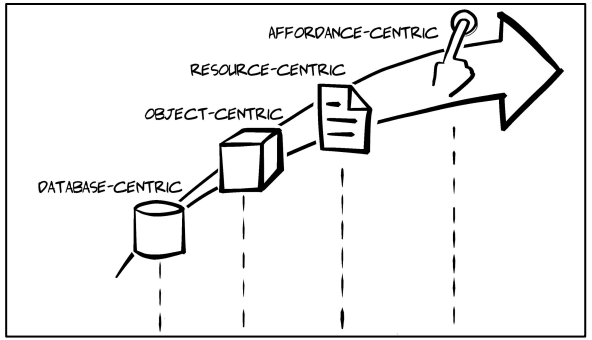
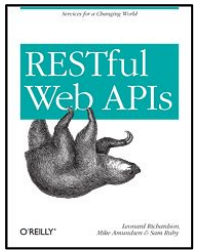


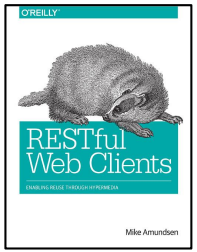


Messages on the Outside

- Outside is always in the past, non-transactional
- Resource models (**`/customers/, /orders/`**)
- Message models (**`customer.html, order.hal`**)
- Outside is remote, uncontrollable
- There is no shared "now"







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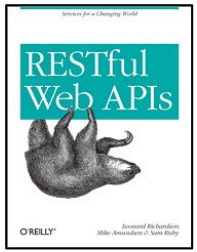
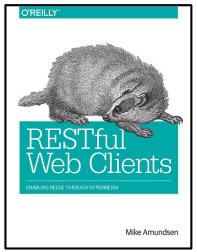
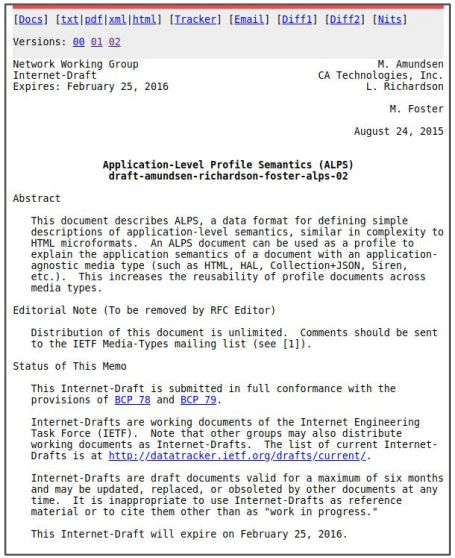




Vocabularies Everywhere

- Vocabulary is how humans share (language, slang, etc.)
- We use the same vocabulary for many models
- Vocabularies delineate domains (medicine, IT, etc.)
- IT vocabularies already exist:
  - Dublin Core
  - schema.org
  - microformats
  - IANA Link Relation Values
- ALPS is a media-type and protocol independent description format



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Application-Level Profile Semantics (ALPS)
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Abstract

This document describes ALPS, a data format for defining simple descriptions of application-level semantics, similar in complexity to HTML microformats. An ALPS document can be used as a profile to explain the application semantics of a document with an application-agnostic media type (such as HTML, HAL, Collection+JSON, Siren, etc.). This increases the reusability of profile documents across media types.

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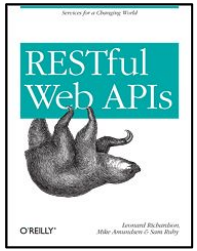

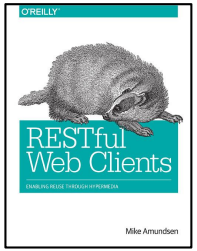

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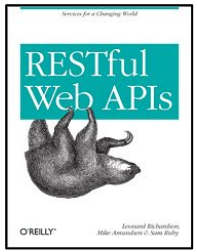

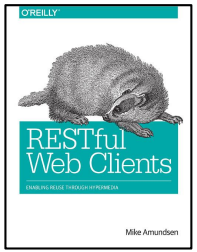

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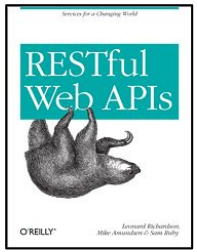
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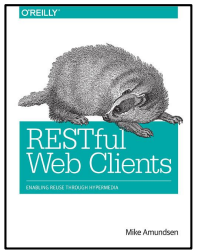
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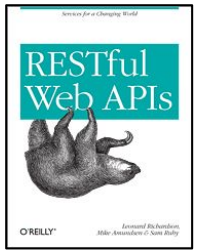
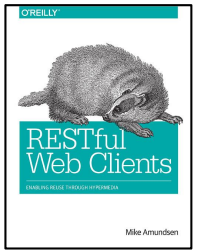
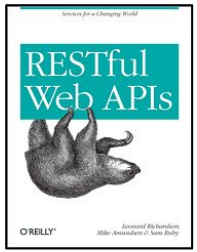
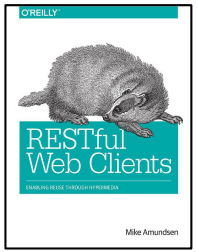




Runtime Service Infrastructure

- Advertising Services
- Discovering Services
- Health Checking
- *Discovery Exercise*





Advertising Services

"A service instance is responsible for registering itself with the service registry. On startup the service instance registers itself (host and IP address) with the service registry and makes itself available for discovery. The client must typically periodically renew its registration so that the registry knows it is still alive. On shutdown, the service instance unregisters itself from the service registry."

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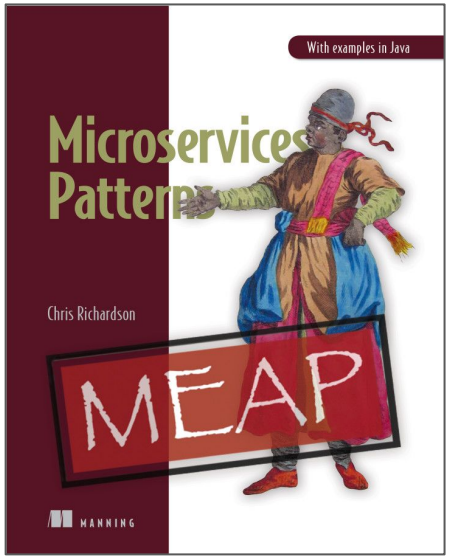

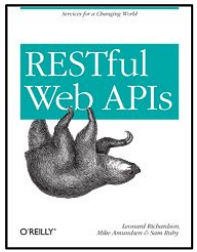

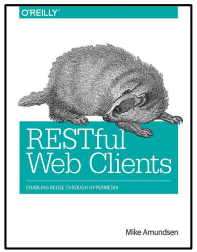

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Advertising Services

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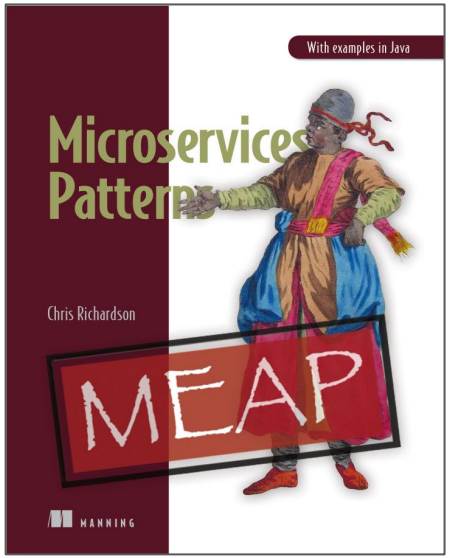
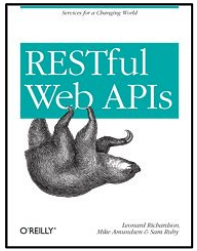
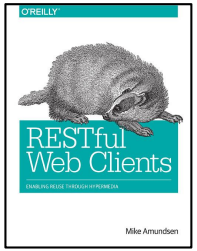
- De-Register at shutdown
- Renew periodically
- De-Register after crashes







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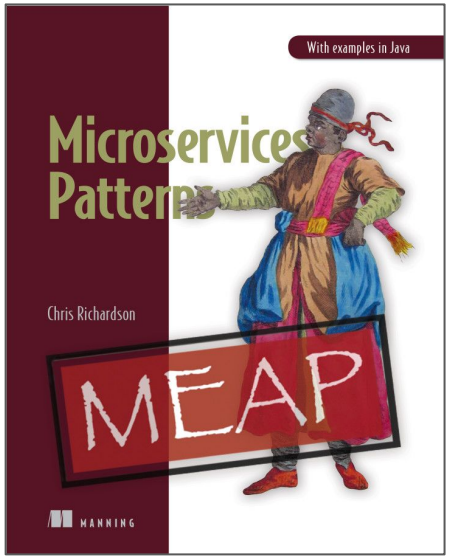

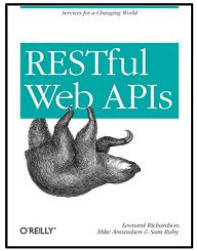

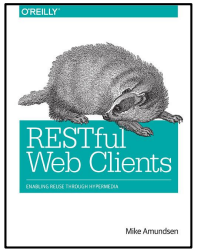

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Discovering Services

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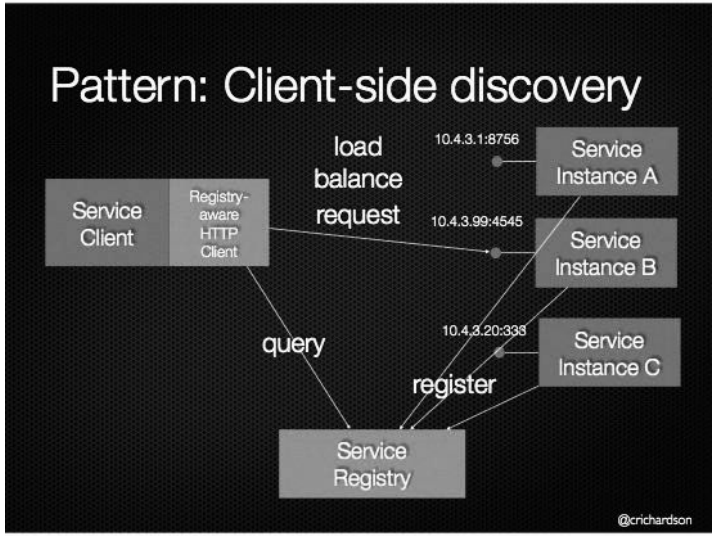

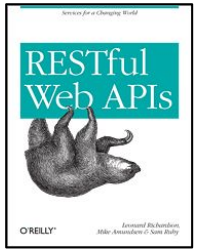

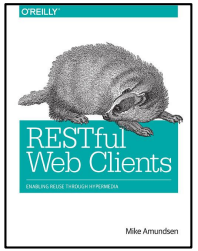

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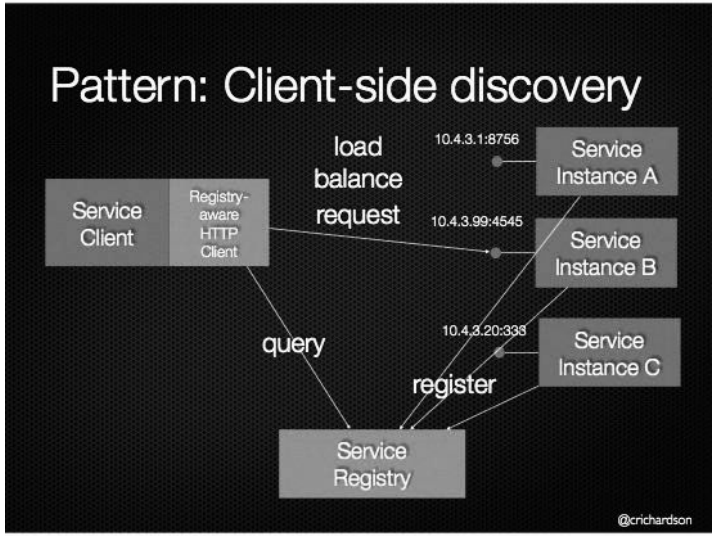
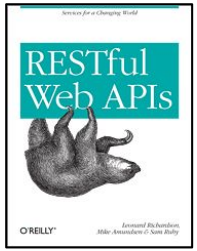
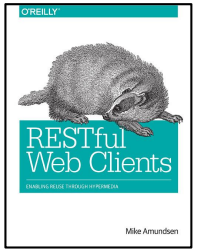
Discovering Services

- Configure client w/ **`registryURL`**
- Query Registry w/ **`serviceName`**
- Registry returns **`serviceURLport`**
- Client uses **`serviceURLport`**
- Renewal optional







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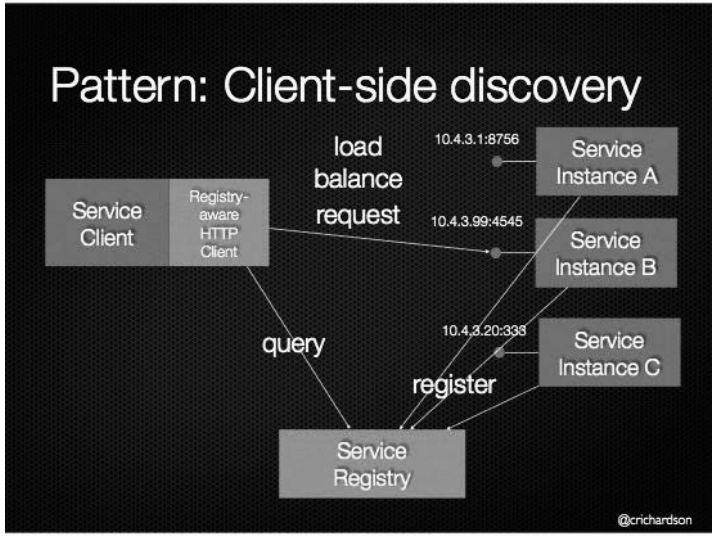

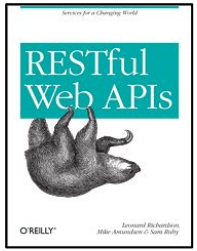

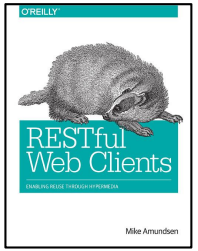

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Health Checking

A service has an health check API endpoint (e.g. HTTP /health) that returns the health of the service. A health check client - a monitoring service, service registry or load balancer - periodically invokes the endpoint to check the health of the service instance.

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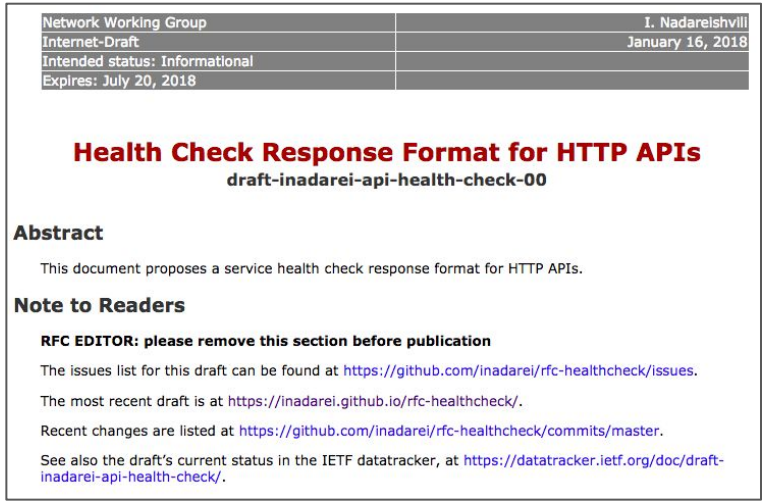

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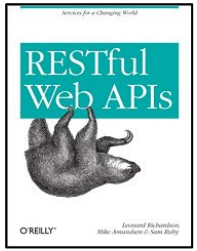

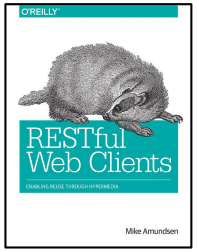

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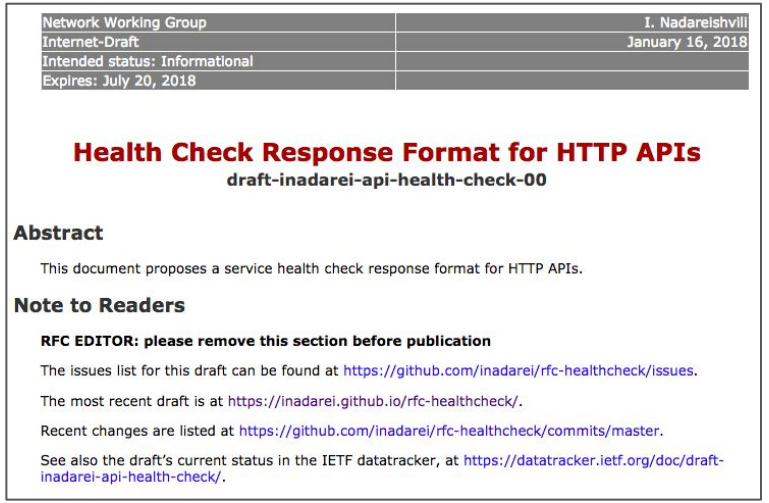
- Services renew with the registry
- De-reg service on failed health requests
- De-reg service on expired renewals



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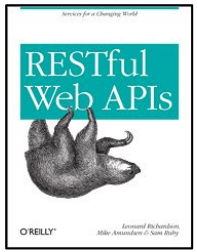

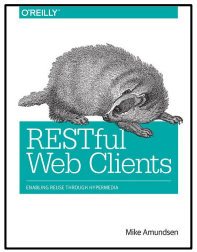

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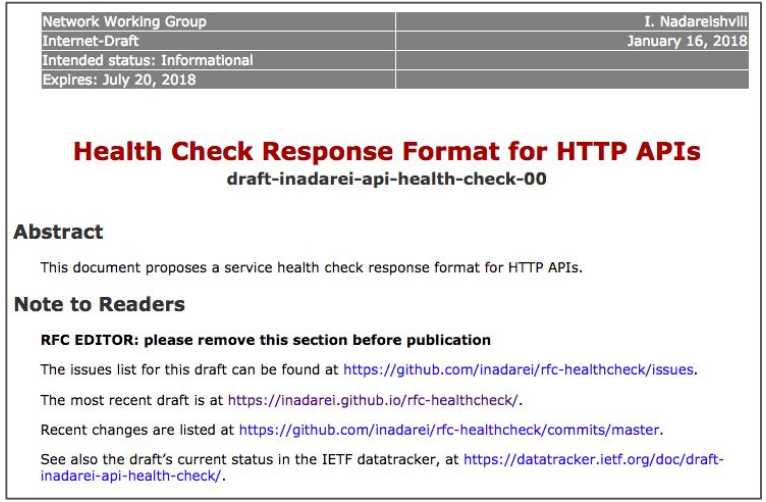

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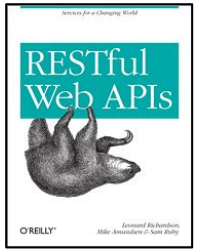

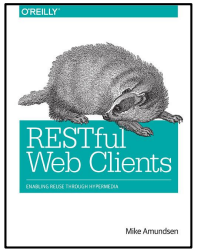

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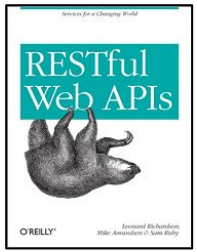

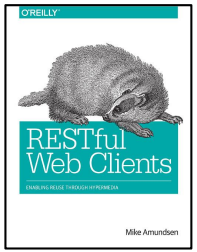

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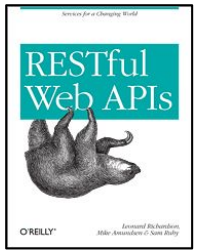

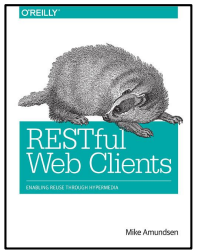

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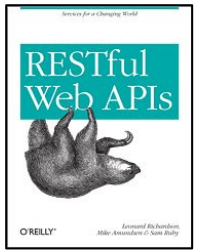

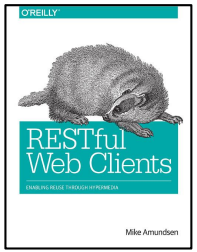

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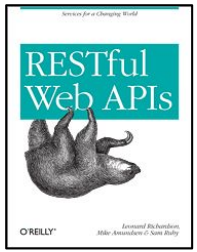

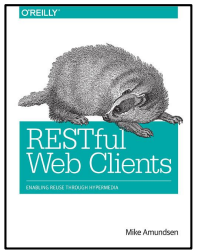

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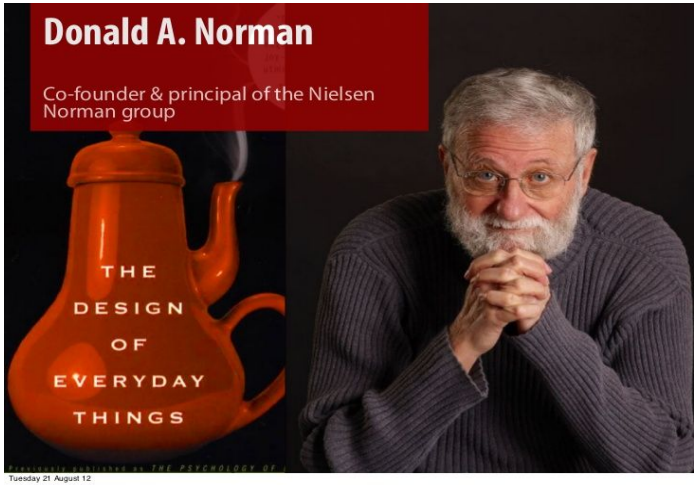
-- Donald Norman, 1994



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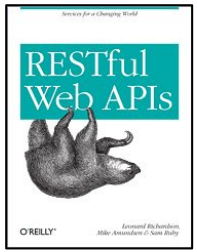

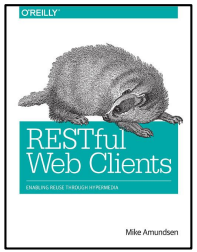

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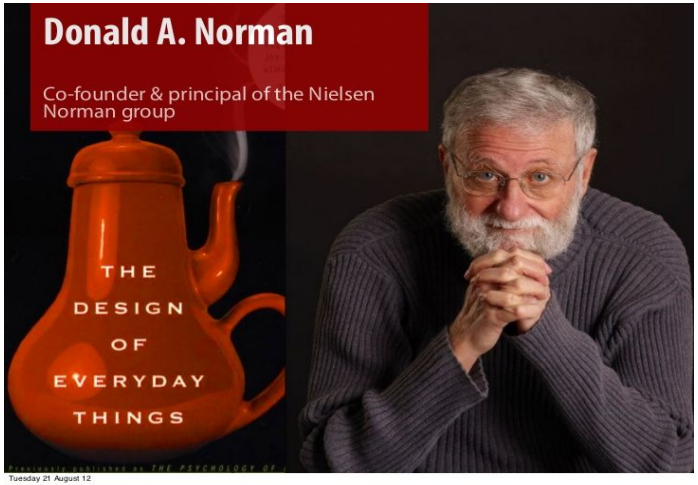
- Document link identifiers, not URLs
- Publish vocabularies, not API definitions



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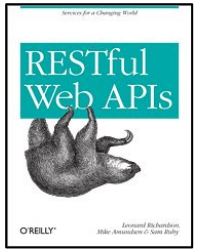

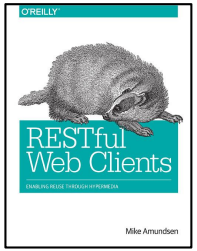

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-- Jason Rudolph, Github (2013)

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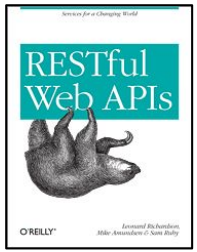

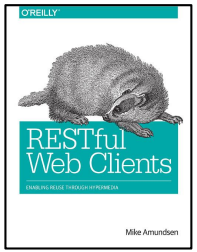

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Evolvable Providers

- Don't take things away
- Don't change the meaning of things
- Make all additions optional

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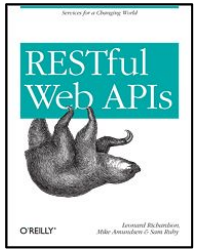
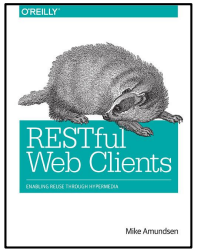
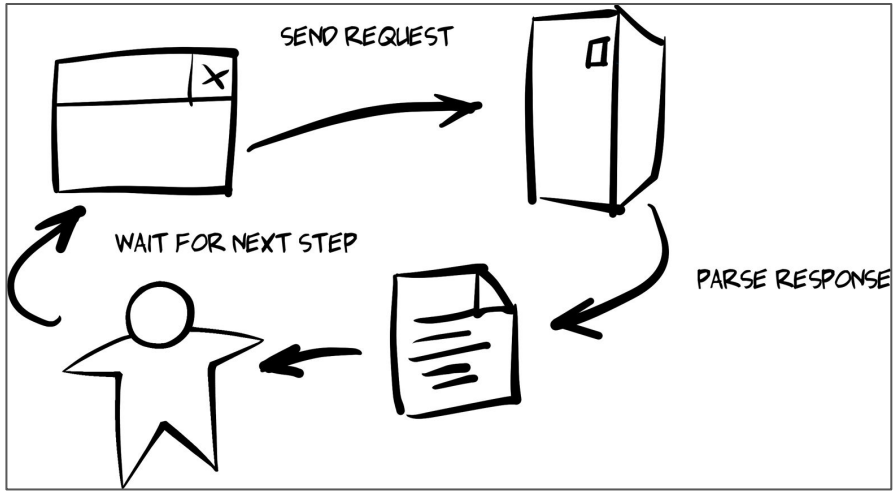




Adaptable Consumers

"When you can build a client that doesn't have to memorize the solution ahead of time you can start building clients who are 'smart' enough to adapt to new possible actions as the service presents them."

-- Mike Amundsen, 2016



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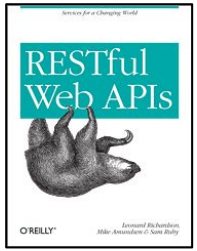
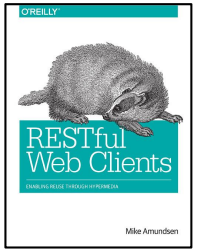
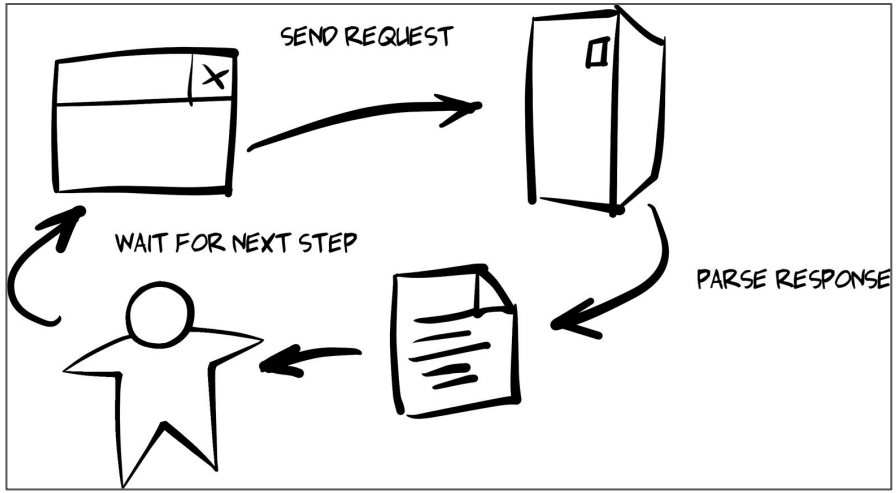




Adaptable Consumers

- Code defensively
- Code to the media type
- Leverage the API vocabulary
- React to link relations for workflow



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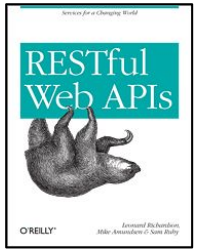
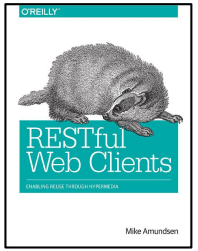
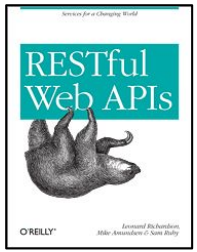
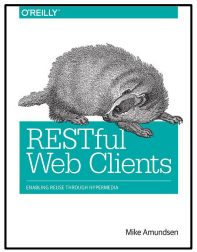




Providers evolve via humans, consumers adapt via code.





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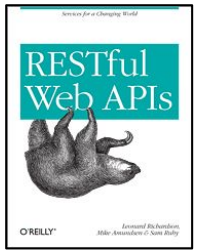

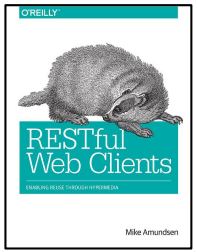

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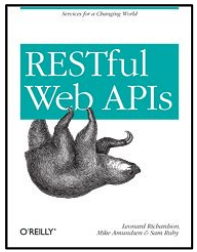
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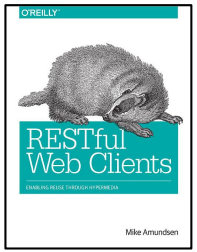
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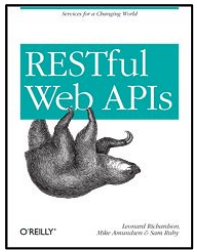
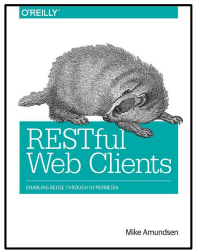
Summary

- A RESTful Design
- Message-Oriented Implementation
- Discovery Constraints
- Emergent Adaptability





A RESTful Design

- Microservices means independent & loosely-coupled
- REST properties are close to Microservice properties
- Adopt a New Kind of Service Constraints

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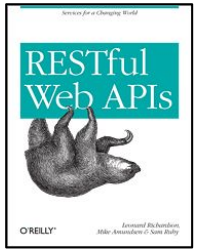

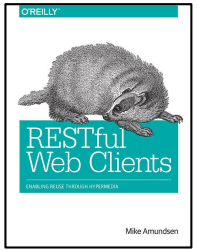

Message-Oriented Implementation

- Models on the Inside
- Messages on the Outside
- Vocabularies Everywhere

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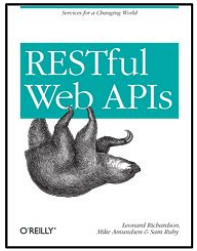

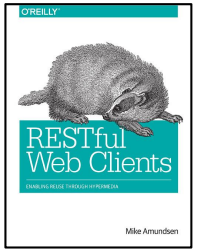

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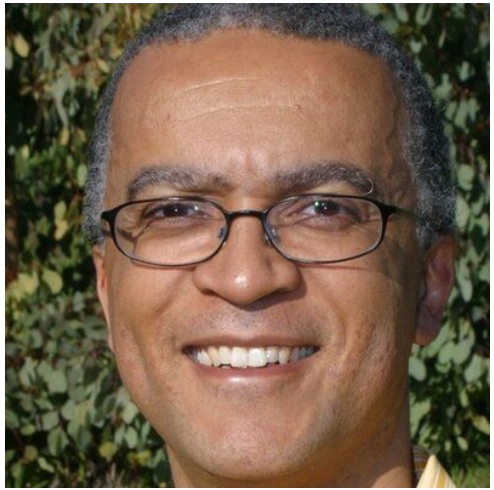
Discovery Constraints

- Advertising Services
- Discovering Services
- Health Checking/Renewals



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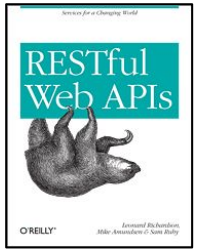

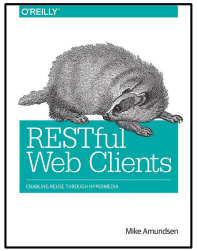

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Emergent Adaptability

- Designers promise messages
- Services implement non-breaking changes
- Consumers code defensively

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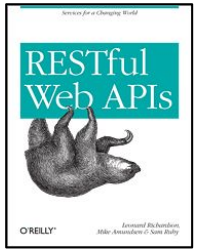

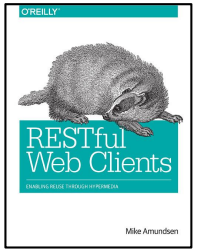

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