Location and Maps 🔀

Agenda

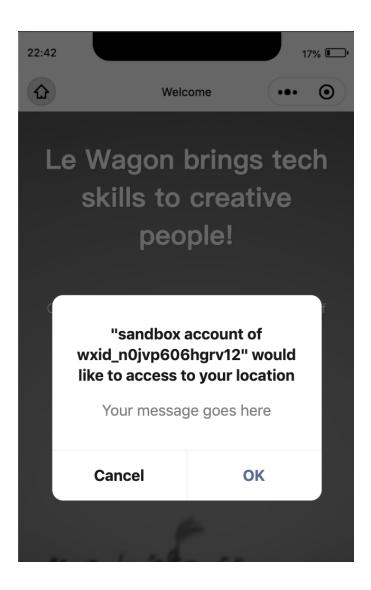
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Authorizing location

Only if you are planning to get user's location

User location is sensitive information, hence Tencent requires a special permission clause in your app.json:

```
// make sure to put commas in the right places...
"permission": {
    "scope.userLocation": {
        "desc": "A message to tell the user why you need permission"
     }
   }
}
```



This will create a popup like this when you try to get user's location.

We are now ready to access user location!



Getting user's current location

Tencent provides us with a nifty wx.getLocation API

```
wx.getLocation({
    type: 'wgs84',
    success: function(res) {
      console.log(res)
    }
})
```

Result that we want

```
errMsg: "getLocation:ok"
latitude: 31.2494
longitude: 121.397
// ...
```

Note the parameter type. You want to use the World Geodetic System (WGS84) to get a precise location.

BUT If you plan to open a **Tencent map** centered on your user with wx.openLocation(), you want to use the type **gcj-02** instead. For national security the GPS coordinates were offset on China maps!

We can set the latitude and longitude to the page data and use it to:

- Pin nearby locations
- Pinpoint the user on a map
- Recommend nearest venues

Picking a location on a map

The wx.chooseLocation() API is a convenient way for your user to pick a spot on a map.

They can search (best in Chinese or pinyin) or move around a marker. After confirmation, the success callback will contain the location information of the selected place.



wx.chooseLocation() in action!

wx.chooseLocation() in action! (under the hood)

```
wx.chooseLocation({
    success: function(res) {
      console.log(res)
    }
})
```

Result that we want

```
//...
address: "上海市长宁区愚园路1300号"
latitude: 31.219042698
longitude: 121.424379349
```

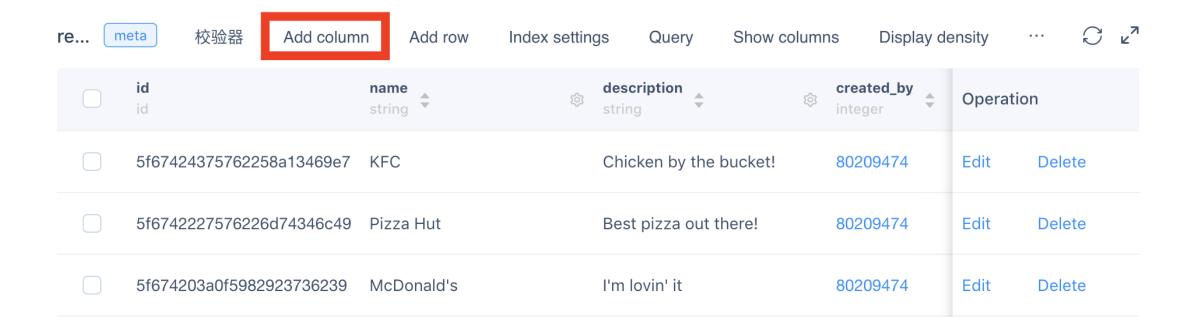
Question - do we store the address or the coordinates in the BaaS?

Answer - Both!

- We're going to use the address to display to the user (in a restaurant show page for example)
- We're going to use the coordinates to mark the location on a map or calculate distance

In our restaurants table in the BaaS add three columns:

- address as a string
- latitude and longitude as a number



After that is done, you can set the properties of a new restaurant the same way as you would for anything else.

```
// inside the wx.chooseLocation success callback
let latitude = res.latitude
let longitude = res.longitude
let address = res.address

let Restaurant = new wx.BaaS.TableObject('restaurants')
let restaurant = Restaurant.create()
restaurant.set({ latitude, longitude, address }).save()
```

Make sure to check your BaaS to see that the properties are updated! 📍



Bonus - wx.openLocation()

map, centered on given coordinates, and allow the user to navigate via any installed map app.

```
// example
wx.openLocation({
    latitude: 31.219042698,
    longitude: 121.424379349,
})
```



Maps are cool!

Tencent thinks so too, so they added a handy map component.



```
<map
    style="width: 100vw; height: 100vh;"
    longitude="113.324520"
    latitude="23.099994">
</map>
```

WXMP map component has a ton of attributes - enabling 3D, showing traffic information, adding sattelite image maps and more. Make sure to check the docs



```
<!-- show.wxml -->
<map
    style="width: 100vw; height: 100vh;"
    longitude="{{longitude}}"
    latitude="{{latitude}}">
</map>
```

```
// show.js
data: {
  longitude: 113.324520,
  latitude: 23.099994
}
```

Make sure you are making your maps dynamic from the start!

Adding markers to the map

map also has an optional attribute called markers - this attribute takes an array of Marker objects. Here is an example:

```
markers: [{
  iconPath: "/images/marker.png",
  id: 0,
  latitude: 23.099994,
  longitude: 113.324520,
  width: 50,
  height: 50
}]
```

This is an array with one marker



```
<map
 style="width: 100vw; height: 100vh;"
 longitude="{{longitude}}"
 latitude="{{latitude}}"
 markers="{{markers}}">
</map>
```

Ta-da! But this is the default marker icon. 😕



You can (and should) replace it with a custom

```
marker.png
```

Check out Iconfont for some cool icons!



The marker can also have a callout object, giving it a small tooltip when you tap it.

```
markers: [{
    id: 0,
    latitude: 23.099994,
    longitude: 113.32493,
    width: 50,
    height: 50,
    callout: {
        content: " Tencent HQ\nShenzhen, China",
        fontSize: 15,
        color: "#000000",
        padding: 1
    }
}]
```

You can call a custom function when a marker is tapped by using bindmarkertap

```
<map
  style="width: 100vw; height: 100vh;"
  longitude="{{longitude}}"
  latitude="{{latitude}}"
  markers="{{markers}}"
  bindmarkertap="goToVenue">
  </map>
```

```
// in your JS file
goToVenue: function(e) {
  console.log(e.detail.markerId)
}
```

Happy Mapping!