

Data Classes and APIs

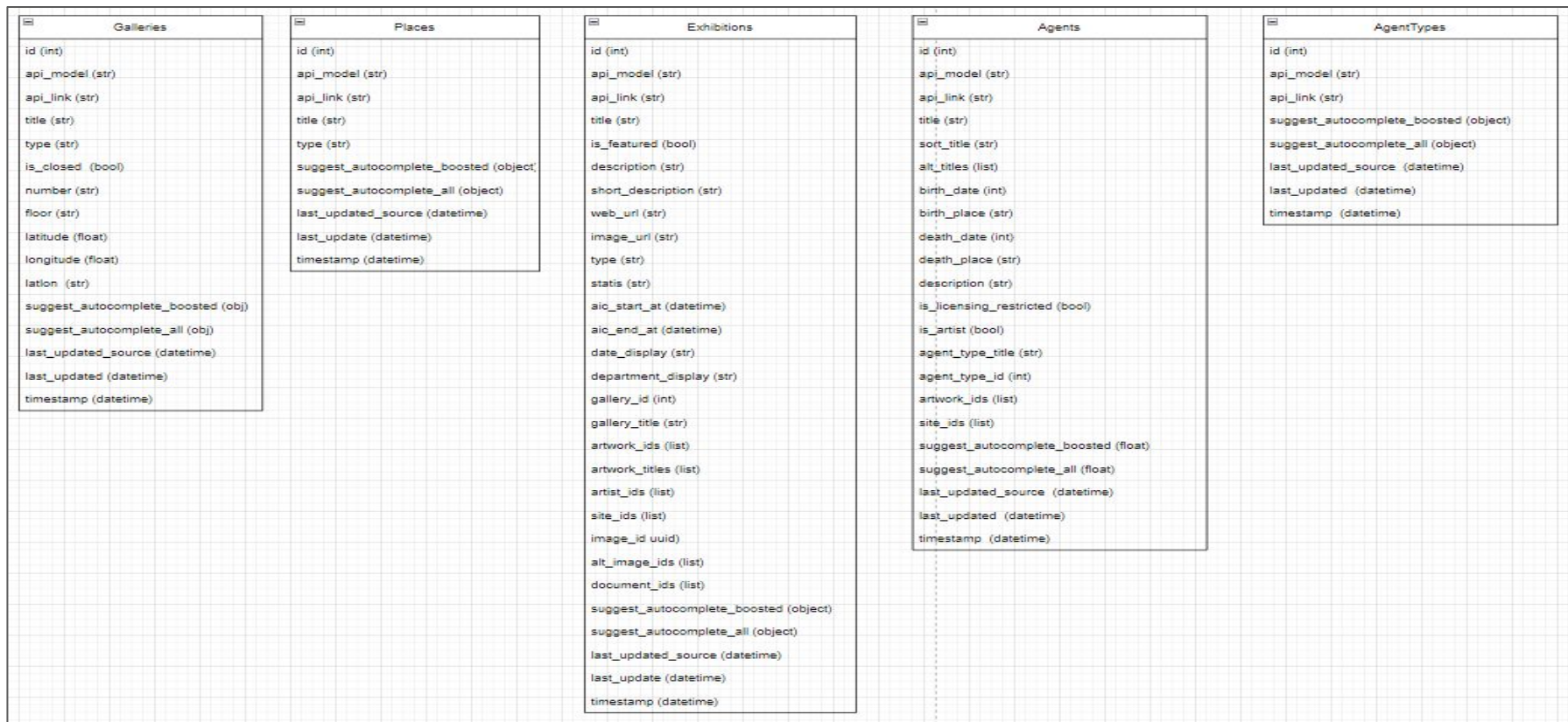
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Github: <https://github.com/digital/GroupExerciseWebAPI>

Web API Selection

- Some APIs returned little data for us to use
- Some APIs had poor documentation
- Art Institute of Chicago API was selected
- Data Classes:
 - Galleries
 - Places
 - Exhibitions
 - Agents
 - Agent Types

Initial Data Model



Coding the Classes: Galleries, for example

```
Galleries.py - GroupExerciseWebAPI - Visual Studio Code
Galleries.py > read
You, 44 minutes ago | 1 author (You)

1 from dataclasses import dataclass, fields
2 import datetime as dt
3
4 You, 44 minutes ago | 1 author (You)
5 @dataclass
6 class Galleries:
7     """ Galleries class """
8     def __init__(self):
9
10         id = 0
11         api_model = ''
12         api_link = ''
13         title = ''
14         type = ''
15         is_closed = False
16         number = ''
17         floor = ''
18         latitude = 0
19         longitude = 0
20         latlon = ''
21         suggest_autocomplete_boosted = ''
22         suggest_autocomplete_all = ''
23         last_updated_source = dt.datetime(1970, 1, 1)
24         last_updated = dt.datetime(1970, 1, 1)
25         timestamp = dt.datetime(1970, 1, 1)
26
27         id: int
28         api_model: str
29         api_link: str
30         title: str
31         type: str
32         is_closed: bool
33         number: str
34         floor: str
35         latitude: float
36         longitude: float
37         latlon: str
```

__init__: default values

Parameters: start

```
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Galleries.py > read
33 floor: str
34 latitude: float
35 longitude: float
36 latlon: str
37 suggest_autocomplete_boosted: str
38 suggest_autocomplete_all: str
39 last_updated_source: dt.datetime
40 last_updated: dt.datetime
41 timestamp: dt.datetime
42
43 def read(self, jsondata):
44     status = 0
45     dateformat = "%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%S%Z"
46     if(jsondata is not None):
47
48         self.id = int(jsondata['id'])
49         self.api_model = jsondata['api_model']
50         self.api_link = jsondata['api_link']
51         self.title = jsondata['title']
52         self.type = jsondata['type']
53         self.is_closed = bool(jsondata['is_closed'])
54         self.number = jsondata['number']
55         self.floor = jsondata['floor']
56         if jsondata['latitude'] == None:
57             self.latitude = -9999999
58         else:
59             self.latitude = float(jsondata['latitude'])
60         if jsondata['longitude'] == None:
61             self.longitude = -9999999
62         else:
63             self.longitude = float(jsondata['longitude'])
64         self.latlon = jsondata['latlon']
65         if jsondata.get('suggest_autocomplete_boosted') == None:
66             self.suggest_autocomplete_boosted = ''
67         else:
68             self.suggest_autocomplete_boosted = jsondata['suggest_autocomplete_boosted']
69         if jsondata.get('suggest_autocomplete_all') == None:
70             self.suggest_autocomplete_all = ''
71         else:
72             self.suggest_autocomplete_all = jsondata['suggest_autocomplete_all']
73         self.last_updated_source = dt.datetime.strptime(jsondata['last_updated_source'], dateformat)
74         self.last_updated = dt.datetime.strptime(jsondata['last_updated'], dateformat)
75         self.timestamp = dt.datetime.strptime(jsondata['timestamp'], dateformat)
76
77     status = -1
78     return status
79
80 def __str__(self):
81     return self.title
```

Parameters: continued

Read(json) function: to transfer data from the JSON block to the parameters

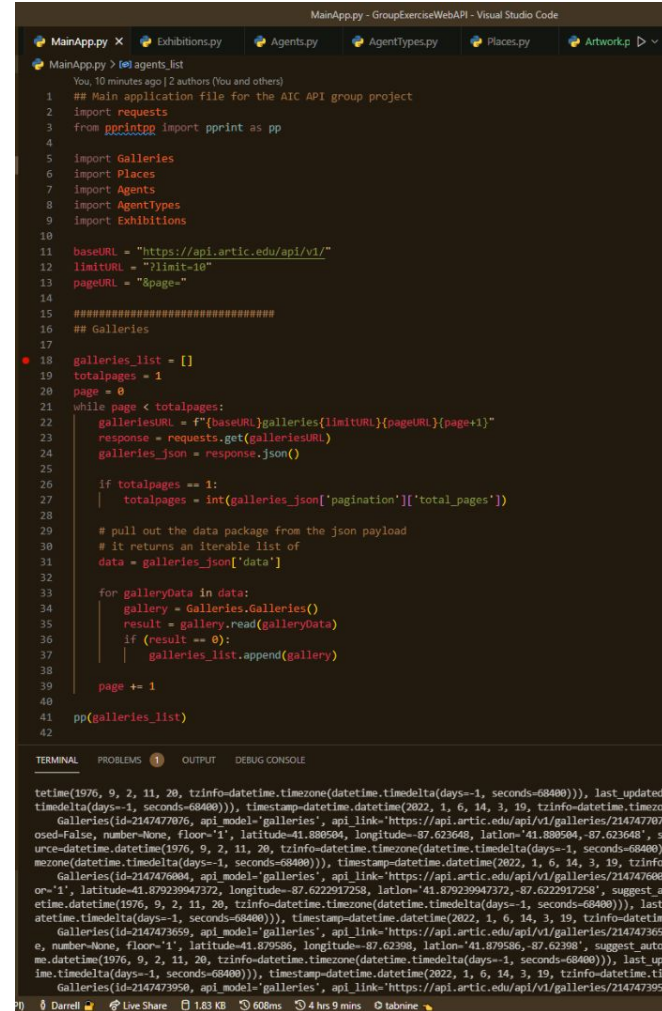
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Galleries.py - GroupExerciseWebAPI - Visual Studio Code
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64     self.suggest_autocomplete_boosted = ''
65 else:
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68     self.suggest_autocomplete_all = ''
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75 status = -1
76 return status
77
78 def __str__(self):
79     return self.title
```

Read(json): continued

__str__: return title

Coding the API calls: e.g. Galleries

- Load classes from individual files
- Setup base pieces of URL
- Loop through all of the page requests
 - First time get the total pages
 - Loop through each block of gallery data
 - Call the read() function in each class
 - Append to list if successful
- Print list



The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor window titled "MainApp.py - GroupExerciseWebAPI - Visual Studio Code". The editor displays a Python script in "MainApp.py" with the following content:

```
1  ## Main application file for the AIC API group project
2  import requests
3  from pprint import pprint as pp
4
5  import Galleries
6  import Places
7  import Agents
8  import AgentTypes
9  import Exhibitions
10
11  baseUrl = "https://api.artic.edu/api/v1/"
12  limitURL = "?limit=10"
13  pageURL = "&page="
14
15  #####
16  ## Galleries
17
18  galleries_list = []
19  totalpages = 1
20  page = 0
21  while page < totalpages:
22      galleriesURL = f"{baseUrl}galleries{limitURL}{pageURL}{page+1}"
23      response = requests.get(galleriesURL)
24      galleries_json = response.json()
25
26      if totalpages == 1:
27          totalpages = int(galleries_json['pagination']['total_pages'])
28
29      # pull out the data package from the json payload
30      # it returns an iterable list of
31      data = galleries_json['data']
32
33      for galleryData in data:
34          gallery = Galleries.Galleries()
35          result = gallery.read(galleryData)
36          if (result == 0):
37              galleries_list.append(gallery)
38
39      page += 1
40
41  pp(galleries_list)
42
```

The terminal output at the bottom shows the result of the script execution, displaying a list of gallery objects with their attributes and the last update timestamp.

```
time(1976, 9, 2, 11, 20, tzinfo=datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(days=-1, seconds=68400))), last update
timedelta(days=-1, seconds=68400)), timestamp=datetime.datetime(2022, 1, 6, 14, 3, 19, tzinfo=datetime.timezo
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osed=False, number=None, floor='1', latitude=41.889584, longitude=-87.623648, latlon='41.889584, -87.623648', s
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on='1', latitude=41.879239947372, longitude=-87.6222917258, latlon='41.879239947372, -87.6222917258', suggest
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Galleries(id=2147473950, api_model='galleries', api_link='https://api.artic.edu/api/v1/galleries/2147473950
```

What did we learn

- Check for empty entries for all classes in the beginning instead of fixing them at the end.
- Split URLs into variables
 - Especially when working with multiple pages.
- Utilize 'Try' and 'Except' blocks more
 - Primarily for GET requests, so that it can handle errors if and when they occur
- `__init__` functions may be necessary to specify, even in data classes, depending on what API is being interacted with