REST Advanced Lab



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Advanced Uses of REST APIs

What happens when your service builds on top of other services?

How do you interact with them?

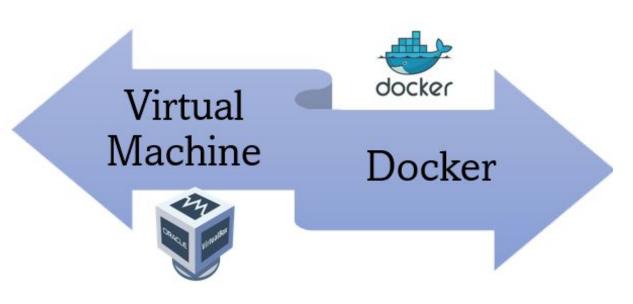
How can they be reached?

How do you use several together?



How to run

We have provided you with a VM and a docker compose file so that you can also work on this lab without spinning up a VM.





Intro

Today we brought a simple web service that uses Lab 4's service and we're going to:

- Explore service composition With Lab 4, Nominatim, and OpenStreetMap
- → Modify a service

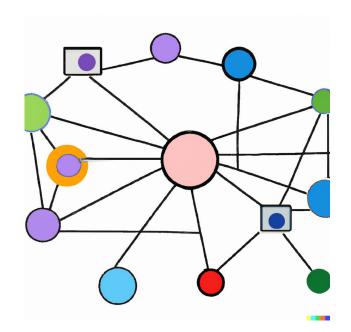
 Learn how to integrate new functionalities
- → Drink coffee
 Required for a good grade

REST Recap

Use HTTP methods (with their semantics) on "resources" provided by a service.

Resources are *identifiable* and possibly linked together.

The service is *stateless* (or at least should be), while the resources it manages have a possibly transitioning state.



Lab 4

OpenStreetMap

Nominatim

Leaflet

Services used

Lab 4

In the previous lab, we've worked on an event management service.

We've built a service called *NearMeEvents* on top of theirs to let a user look for events.

With Lab4, we could use Mobilizon data to show the users real events. In this Lab, we're going to make use the fixed data in Lab4's repo.

OpenStreetMap

OpenStreetMap is a map of the world, created by people like you and free to use under an open license.

https://www.openstreetmap.org/

Our map providers: this is where the images displayed in the frontend come from.



Nominatim

Open-source geocoding with OpenStreetMap data

https://nominatim.org/

Geocoding means searching some place's name in order to find its location on Earth.

We're going to use this service in Exercise 3.



Leaflet

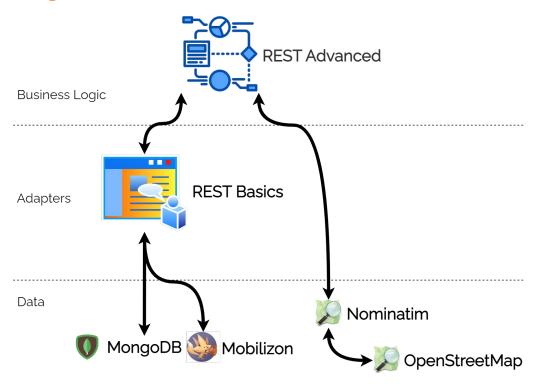
Leaflet is the leading open-source JavaScript library for mobile-friendly interactive maps

https://leafletjs.com/

This library powers the frontend interactive maps displayed.

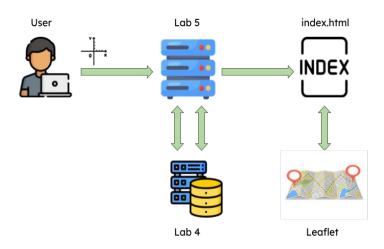


Logical layers



The Workflow

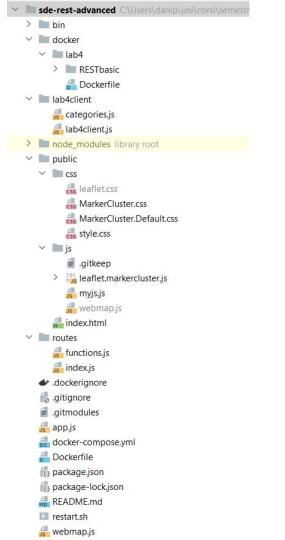
- 1. User inputs a location
- 2. We search Lab4 events to know which are close to the user
- 3. We query Lab4 to get information about each event
- 4. We redirect to index.html
- Client-side JavaScript uses Leaflet to populate the map with the data fetched in the previous steps



The Code

Available at https://github.com/dpdani/sde-rest-advanced

(and in VM)



lab4client/

- **searchEvents()** → list of IDs
- prepareEvents() → list of events
 formatted for display
- prepareOneEvent() → fetch one event
 from Lab4 and format it

routes/

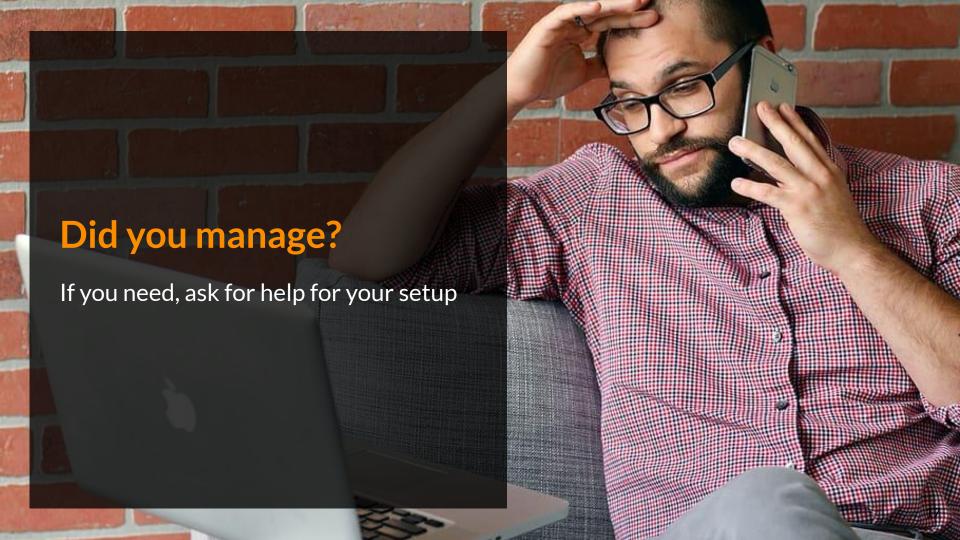
Our REST endpoints.

The /flow endpoint implements the workflow presented before. This is where the different services are "glued" together.

public/ & webmap.js

Static data and scripts served for the frontend.

The webmap.js script generates the map (Leaflet is used here).



Example

Let's try and display Trento on the map.

With the containers all up, visit the frontend and press the "Trento" button. The coordinates should have changed, now hit "Submit".

Do you see Trento?

localhost:8080

Exercises

Map visualization

Embed categories in the event popups

Event filtering

Search for events of a specific category

Location searching

Get geographic coordinates by name through Nominatim

NearMe Events

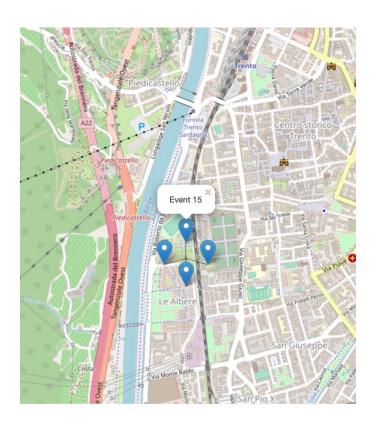
46.06787

Latitude

11.12108

Longitude

Submit



Event title

NearMe Events

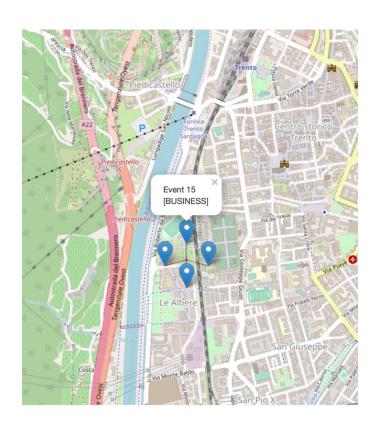
46.06787

Latitude

11.12108

Longitude

Submit



Event title + category

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Exercise 1

Steps

- 1. Store the event category as a field of the json response fetched from REST Basics adapter for each event ID
- 2. Use the response to show category next to title on the event popup

lab4client.js



Tip

REST Basics APIs

The variable **content** contains the fetched response from lab 4 client

```
const prepareOneEvent = async (eventId) => {
    let url = `${process.env.LAB 4 URL}/v1/events/${eventId}`;
    const response = await fetch(url);
    const content = await response.json();
        id: eventId,
        title: content.title,
        lon: content.physicalAddress.geo.coordinates[0],
        lat: content.physicalAddress.geo.coordinates[1]
    };
```

lab4client.js



```
const prepareOneEvent = async (eventId) => {
   let url = `${process.env.LAB_4_URL}/v1/events/${eventId}`;
    const response = await fetch(url);
   const content = await response.json();
   return {
        id: eventId,
        title: content.title,
        lon: content.physicalAddress.geo.coordinates[0],
        lat: content.physicalAddress.geo.coordinates[1],
        cat: content.category
   };
```



Tip

Leaflet quick start quide

The variable **events** contains the previously fetched response

webmap.js



webmap.js



45.454967

Latitude

11.029849

Longitude

Category

Submit



45.454967

Latitude

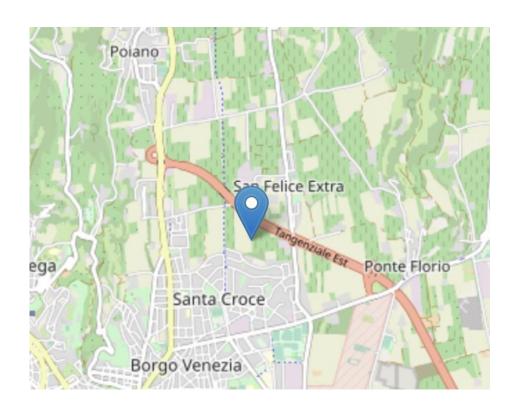
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Longitude

MEETING

Category

Submit



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Exercise 2

What you should do:

- 1. Add a new text box to filter by category
- 2. Update the flow function to include category parameter

Hint:

Lab 4 service docs: https://restbasics.docs.apiary.io

index.html

index.js

```
async function flow(lat, lon){
  const eventIds = await lab4client.searchEvents(lat, lon, "");
  json_events = await lab4client.prepareEventsForMap(eventIds);
router.get("/flow", async function (req, res, next) {
  let lat = req.query.lat;
  let lon = req.query.lon;
  await flow(lat, lon);
 await res.redirect('../?' + new URLSearchParams({lat:lat, lon:lon}));
});
```

Solution for Exercise 2

Skip the next two pages if you still want to work on the solution.

index.html

```
<form class="w3-container" action="/flow" method="get">
   <input class="w3-input" type="number" id="lat" name="lat" step="any" required min="0">
   <label for="lat">Latitude</label>
   <input class="w3-input" type="number" id="lon" name="lon" step="any" required min="0">
   <label for="lon">Longitude</label>
   <input class="w3-input" type="text" id="cat" name="cat">
   <label for="cat">Category</label>
</form>
```

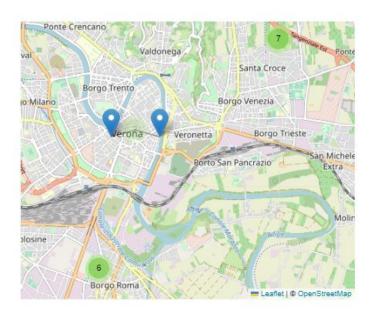
index.js

```
async function flow(lat, lon, cat){
  const eventIds = await lab4client.searchEvents(lat, lon, cat);
  json_events = await lab4client.prepareEventsForMap(eventIds);
router.get("/flow", async function (reg, res, next) {
  let lat = req.query.lat;
  let lon = req.query.lon;
  let cat = req.query.cat;
  await flow(lat, lon, cat);
  await res.redirect('../?' + new URLSearchParams({lat:lat, lon:lon}));
});
```

Get geographic coordinates by name through Nominatim

Steps:

- 1. Add a form into index.html page;
- **2.** Fetch the request to nominatim.



Verona

Name

Search by name

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Exercise 3

Step 1: Add a form into index.html page

Code:

In this way, when the form is submitted (we click the submit button) a GET request will be sent to '/searchOSM' route.

Nominatim API:

https://nominatim.openstreetmap.org/search?

Exercise 3

Step 2: Fetch the request to nominatim (index.js)

Code:

```
router.get('/searchOSM', (req, res, next) => {
 let name = req.query.name;
 fetch(/*Nominatim API*/ + new URLSearchParams({q:name, format:'json'})).then(async(response)=>{
     let body = await response.text();
     let json = JSON.parse(body);
   let lat = json[0].lat;
   let lon = json[0].lon;
   console.log("LATITUDE: " , lat);
   console.log("LONGITUDE: ", lon);
   await res.redirect('../?' + new URLSearchParams({lat:lat, lon:lon}));
 });
});
```

Mini Assignment

Using the code written in the previous exercises, display the events present on the map given the name or address of a place.

Retrieve the events from Lab4's service as in the normal flow of operation.

How many events are there in Milan?



Tip

Call the flow function in the function written in Exercise 3 after the Nominatim call.



Good luck on your assignment!

We hope you have enjoyed this lab session!

Please submit your answers in the form you'll find on the Telegram group.

