

Section 4

Querying with *RESTful API*



In this Section, we are going to take a look at...

- Introduction to RESTful API
- Using RESTful API to search
- Using RESTful API to update

Video 4.1

Introduction to REST API



In this Video, we are going to take a look at...

- Easy interaction
- Verbs are methods
- Dichotomy of a requesting string

REST API – Easy Interaction

- Communication over http
- http Verbs
- Web client or commandline
- Simple cluster interactions

Dichotomy of a Request String

```
curl -X<VERB> '<PROTOCOL>://<HOST>:<PORT>/<PATH>?<QUERY_STRING>'  
-d '<BODY>'
```

```
curl -XGET  
http://localhost:9200/INDEX_NAME/_search?q=name:John
```

Shorthand version: **GET** /INDEX_NAME/_search?q=name:John

Verbs Are Methods

- Verbs are methods used to execute commands over http
- Relational DB Analogy

Database	Verb
Create	POST
Read	GET
Update	POST (partial) / PUT (whole)
Delete	DELETE

REST API Clients

- Groovy
- JavaScript
- .NET
- PHP
- Perl
- Python
- Ruby

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Using REST API to Search