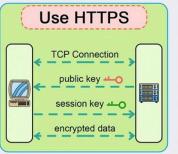
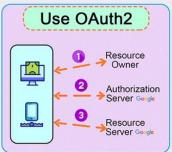
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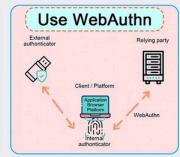
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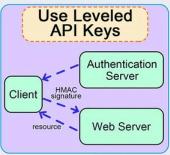
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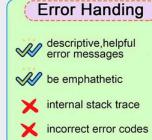


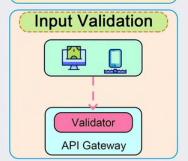




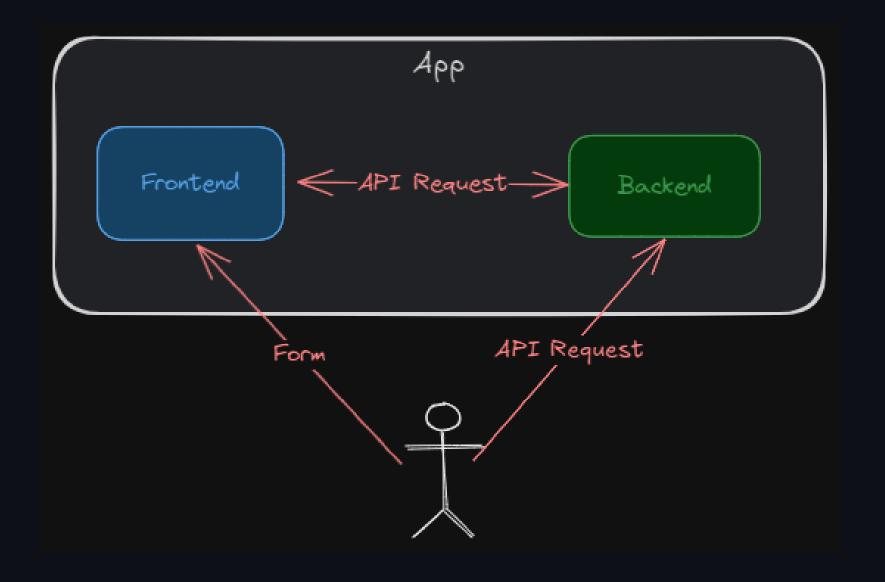








### Form and validation



#### Case study

• git clone -b no-check https://github.com/fullstack-67/fv-zod.git fv-no-check

#### Frontend (backend)

- pnpm i
- npm run dev

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## **Backend pitfalls (1)**

- GET /users route
  - The response has password fields.

### **Backend pitfalls (2)**

POST /users route

```
"firstName": "Test",
  "lastName": "Test",
  "email": "test@example.com",
  "dateOfBirth": "2024-01-01",
  "password": "1234",
  "confirmPassword": "1234"
}
```

- Try sending incomplete fields / wrong field names.
  - Internal error

# Backend pitfalls (3)

- Trying sending wrong year calendar.
  - Data is now not consistent.

### Frontend pitfalls (1)

.env

VITE\_URL\_DATA=/api/users\_wrong

- Notice the incoming data
  - Key differences
  - Calendar year difference
- The wrong data causes blank/inconsistent display.

# Frontend pitfalls (2)

- Try using form
  - No input validation

### Wait, but I thought I used TypeScript.

- TypeScript catches compile-time errors.
- We are talking about **run-time** errors.

#### We want

- Advanced/maintainable/scalable data validation
- Useful error message when validation fails
- Data sanitization (backend response)
- Logic reusability in frontend and backend codes
- Seamless combatibility with TypeScript
- API documentation

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# Validation library

- Zod
- Yup
- Typebox

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### zod basic

### Setup

- git clone -b basic https://github.com/fullstack-67/fv-zod.git fv-basic
- pnpm i
- npm run dev

### Validation with zod

### Setup

• git clone -b check https://github.com/fullstack-67/fv-zod.git fv-check

#### Frontend (backend)

- pnpm i
- npm run dev

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#### **Backend - schema**

./src/utils/schema.ts

```
export const zUserBase = z.object({
    // Fields
});
// Response
export const zUsersRes = z.array(zUserBase.omit({ password: true }));
```

#### **Backend - data sanitization**

```
// * Endpoint: get users
app.get("/users", (req, res) => {
  res.json(zUsersRes.parse(data)); // →→→
});
```

#### Backend - validation middleware

```
export function validateData(schema) {
  return (req, res, next) => {
    try {
      schema.parse(req.body); // → → →
      next();
    } catch (error) {
      // Error logic
    }
  };
};
```

#### **Backend - data validation**

```
./src/index.ts
```

```
app.post("/users", validateData(zUsersCreateReq), async (req, res, next) => {
   // Route logic
});
```

#### Frontend - schema

- ./src/utils/schema.ts
  - Same as backend schema.

#### Frontend - validation

./src/hooks/useUser.ts

```
function useUsers() {
  // ...
  async function fetchUsers() {
    const res = await axios.get<User[]>(URL_DATA);
    // Validation from Zod
    const result = usersSchema.safeParse(res.data); // ********
    if (!result.success) {
      // Error logic
```

#### Frontend - form validation

```
const FormVanilla: FC = () => {
 // ...
  async function sendData(e) {
   //...
    const result = formSchema.safeParse(values); // *****
    if (!result.success) {
     // Show error message
  return <div id="form"></div>; // Form stuff
};
```

### Try the form yourself

https://fs-nr.iecmu.com/

• Try Form Vanilla first

## Form UX improvement

- "Real-time" validation
- Disable submission button if input is not valid.
- Prevent double submission.
- Prevent typing during submission.
- Auto-focus the wrong input.

#### Real-time validation

- Use useEffect to trigger schema validation
- Store errors in errors state.
- Keep track of when user touches the form.
  - Prevent premature validation.
  - Store touch state

### Submission button disabled

- Keep track of valid state.
- Keep track of submission state.

# Spiral out of control

- Too many states
- Too many logics
- Not reusable

### Form library

- Help you handle form states and logics in a reusable manner.
  - It is essentially a custom hook.
  - Integrates seemlessly with validation library.
- Popular libraries
  - O Formik
  - React Hook Form

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#### Usage

```
import { useForm } from "react-hook-form";
//
const rhf = useForm<Form>({
    // Options
});

// Observer the states
console.log({ a_rhf: rhf, b_formState: formState, c_watch: watch() });
```

#### **UI Control**

- Check register("firstName") in console.
  - This gives onBlur, onChange, ref to HTML element.

#### Form validation

```
import { zodResolver } from "@hookform/resolvers/zod";
import { formSchema, type Form } from "../utils/schema";

const rhf = useForm<Form>({
   resolver: zodResolver(formSchema), // → →
   defaultValues: getInitData(),
   mode: "onTouched",
});
```

See mode options

# Generating documentation

OpenAPI

### What is OpenAPI?

- API description format for REST APIs.
  - Formerly Swagger Specification
- An OpenAPI file allows you to describe your entire API.
  - Available endpoints
  - Operation parameters
  - Authentication methods

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### What is Swagger?

- Open-source tools built around the OpenAPI Specification.
- Major Swagger tools include
  - Swagger Editor browser-based editor
  - Swagger UI Library for rendering OpenAPI definitions as interactive documentation

# **Example**

• https://fs-nr-backend.iecmu.com/api-docs

### Setup

• git clone -b main https://github.com/fullstack-67/fv-zod.git fv-main

## **Highlight packages**

## Extending zod object

```
./src/openAPI.ts
```

```
import { extendZodWithOpenApi } from "@asteasolutions/zod-to-openapi";
// ...
extendZodWithOpenApi(z);
```

schema.ts

```
export const zUserBase = z.object({
  id: z
    .string()
    // ...
    .openapi({ example: nanoid() }), // →
    // ...
});
```

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### **OpenAPI** registry instance

```
import { OpenAPIRegistry } from "@asteasolutions/zod-to-openapi";
// ...
export const registry = new OpenAPIRegistry();
```

### Documentation from zod schema

```
./src/index.ts
```

```
registry.registerPath({
       method: "get",
       path: "/users",
       responses: {
         200: {
           content: {
             "application/json": {
               schema: zUsersRes, // *****
             },
     app.get("/users", (req, res) => {
       // Route logic
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```

#### Route middleware

```
./src/index.ts
```

```
app.use(
   "/api-docs",
   swaggerUi.serve,
   swaggerUi.setup(getOpenApiDocumentation())
);
```

### **OpenAPI** genenerator

./src/openAPI.ts

```
export function getOpenApiDocumentation() {
  const generator = new OpenApiGeneratorV3(registry.definitions);
  return generator.generateDocument({
    // Options
    openapi: "3.0.0",
    info: {
      version: "1.0.0",
      title: "My API",
      description: "This is the API.",
    },
    servers: [{ url: "/" }],
  });
```