

## API

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- Application programming interface
- Mechanism that enables front-end and back-end to communicate each other
- or back-end to any other service
- Api must follow some set of rules

## Two Types of APIs

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### 1) Public APIs:

freely available, and we can directly use interface

### 2) Private Apis:

Internal to a company or an organization

we cant use it directly

Some token authorizerization and authentication needed

## Authentication and Authorization

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### Authentication:

- It is the process of verifying the identity of a user
- It is generally done using username and password

### Authorization:

- process of determining , what an authenticated user is allowed to done
- something like, whether a logged user can access particluar page or service
- authorization is mainly implemented uisng user roles

## URL

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### Uniform resource location:

adress of a location where specific resource is stored in internet/cloud

## DNS

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Domain name server: used for domain name to ip address mapping

Protocols: Set of rules that need to be consider while sending and receiving data

## Different Types of communication protocols

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HTTP: Hypertext Transfer Protocol (most commonly used)

FTP: File Transfer Protocol

HTTPS: HTTP secure (data is send and received in encrypted form, it uses secure socket layer)

## HTTP methods

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GET: to get data form resource

POST: to send data to resource

DELETE: to delete data from rersource

PUT: to update data in resource

HTTP status codes

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- 1XX - informational response
- 2XX - success
- 3XX - redirection
- 4XX - client error (problem with request)
- 5XX - Server side error

JSON

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- Javascript object notation
- commonly used data format to send data through internet(request/response)
- data is send as key value pairs
- here key must be in string format
  - eg: {
    - "name": "john",
    - "age": 27
  - }
- simple format, make communication easy.
- both FE and BE can easily understand the data

XML

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- Extensible markup language
- more complex
- it uses tags

API architecture Types

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- 1) REST api architecture
  - representational state Transfer
  - most popular architecture for creating an API
  - it uses set of rules for building api
  - it uses HTTP for basic CRUD operationsCRUD: Create, Read, Update and Delete
- 2) SOAP
  - Simple object access protocols
- 3) RPC
  - Remote procedure call

API testing tools

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- 1) Thunder client : vs code extension
- 2) Postman

Synchronous functions and Asynchronous functions

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1) Synchronous functions

- Synchronous functions are executed in sequence
- Each operation must complete before next one begin
- if Synchronous function contains long-running task(like loop, complex calculations, api fetch),  
it will block the execution of subsequent code, until the task is finished

2) Asynchronous functions

- it takes some time to execute
- it allow the program to continue executing other tasks while waiting for asynchronous operation to complete

Is Javascript single threaded or Multi threaded

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- Primarily Javascript is single threaded,
  - it can execute only one operation at a time
  - Callstack in Javascript engine is executing the code,
  - Javascript consists of only single callstack

How Javascript handles asynchronous operations

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- 1) callstack
  - 2) microtask queue
  - 3) callback queue
  - 4) Event loop

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during the execution phase of Javascript, js first adds all the synchronous operations to callstack, calls stack is actually executing the js code, when js finds any asynchronous functions like timer methods(eg: setInterval, setTimeout) or Api calls, file read or write, js taken away that asynchronous fns from normal execution flow and add to Queue, then continue with the next line,

There are 2 Queues

- 1) Microtask queue
- 2) callback queue

microtask queue hold api calls, callback queue holds callback functions and timer functions

Microtask queue has high priority

Event loop

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It controls all this operations, It is an infinite loop that runs in the background, continuously check, whether callstack is empty or not, if empty, it first check the microtask queue, if any items in microtask queue, event loop will add that item into callstack when microtask queue becomes empty, eventloop check callback queue

## Different Api Calling methods

- 1) Ajax
- 2) fetch
- 3) Async await

### 1) Ajax

- Asynchronous javascript XML
- it make use of a inbuilt class in javascript : XMLHttpRequest
- 1) first we create an object of the above class to access methods and properties of that class

```
const http= new XMLHttpRequest()
```
- 2) call open() for connection establishment

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http.open('method','url')
```
- 3) send request

```
http.send()
```

### Ready State

- Ready state are important concept while working on Ajax request
- It indicates the state of ajax request
- its value ranges from 0 to 4
- it allows user to track the progress of Ajax request
  - 0 : unsent state
  - 1 : open state
  - 2 : header set state
  - 3 : loading state
  - 4 : done state

### 2) fetch

#### promise

- it make use of promise concept
- promise is used to manage asynchronous functions/operations
- promise represents an eventual completion of an asynchronous operation
- it has three states
  - 1) pending - in progress
  - 2) resolve - fulfilled/done
  - 3) reject - failure state
- We are calling asynchronous function inside promise, after completion of that asynchronous function, if it is success it uses resolve() method to send back the response, if it is failure, it uses reject() method to send back the error
- .then() method is used to used to access the completed promise function
- if promise rejected error, we can access that error in .catch() method

```
const promise_name = new Promise((resolve, reject)=>{
```

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    })

    promise_name.then(()=>{

    }).catch((error) => {
        console.log(error)
    })

    fetch('api url')
        .then((response)=>{
            console.log(response)
            // here response is in different format, like streams, we have to
convert it into js object
            // so .json() method is used
            response.json().then((data)=>{

            })
        })
    })

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fetch post method

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fetch("api_url",{
    method:'POST',
    headers:{
        'Content-Type':'application/json'
        'Bearer Token':'hgsdnvsndvnsdb'
    },
    body:{
        "key1":value,
        "key2":value
    }
})
.then((response)=>response.json())
.then((data)=>{
    console.log("success", data)
})
.catch((error)=>{
    console.log('Error', err)
})

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3) Async await

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- We can store the result to a variable
- await must be called inside async function

syntax:

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const data = await
fetch(`https://restcountries.com/v3.1/name/${countryName}?fullText=true`);
    data.json().then((result) => {
        console.log(result)
    })

```

})