

RESTful API

Build your own restful API :

REST = REpresentational State Transfer
HTTPS => Http secure request.

Client -> (HTTP/FTP request)-> Server
Server -> -> Database

The server has a bunch of API (think like a menu), that it could response to the client

REST is the architecture style of design APIs. (There is also other type, but REST is the gold standard for web.)

HTTPs' 5 verb for RESTful API, think it as database CRUD

- GET (is refer to "READ" in database : app.get)
- POST (is refer to "CREAT" in database : app.post)
- PUT
- PATCH
- DELETE (is refer to "DELETE" in database, app.delete)

PUT and PATCH both refer to "UPDATE" the database (app.put/ app.patch)

PUT, updating database with by sending an entire new entry to replace the previous one

PATCH, simply send a piece of data that need to be updated. (Simply update the thing that need to be updated)

Specific pattern and route to make your API

Here we use a mongodb database (a graphical user interphase that is used with MOngoDB, use Robo3T) :

<https://robomongo.org/>

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HTTP Verbs	/articles	/articles/jack-bauer
GET	Fetches all the articles	Fetches the article on jack-bauer
POST	Creates one new article	-
PUT	-	Updates the article on jack-bauer
PATCH	-	Updates the article on jack-bauer
DELETE	Deletes all the articles	Deletes the article on jack-bauer

GET ROUTE:

```
app.get('/articles', (req, res) => {
  if (!err) {
    Article.find({}, (err, foundArticles) => {
      res.send(foundArticles);
    });
  } else {
    console.log(err);
  }
})
```

POST ROUTE:

(Postman will enable us to send data and test our api)

```
//Post RestAPI
app.post("/articles", (req, res) => {
  console.log(req.body.title);
  console.log(req.body.content);
  //store mongoDB
  const newArticle = new Article({
    title: req.body.title,
    content: req.body.content,
  });
  newArticle.save();
});
```

DELETE ROUTE:

```
//delete RestAPI
app.delete("/articles", (req,res)=> {
  Article.deleteMany(function(err){
    if(!err){
      res.send("successfully deleted all articles ");
    }else{
      res.send(err);
    }
  });
});
```

APP.ROUTE():

When use chained method :
app.route("/").get().post().delete()
Then put your method to each block

ROUTE to specific resource:

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