COMSE6998: Modern Serverless Cloud Applications

Lecture 3: REST API and Lambda Patterns, Programmable Web

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## Introduction

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- Emails and Piazza
  - I have not been good at reading <u>dff9@columbia.edu</u>. "Out of practice."
  - Piazza notifications → dff9@columbia.edu.
  - Until I get back into the habit, copy <u>donald.f.ferguson@gmail.com</u> if I do not respond quickly.
- Tas
  - Have one TA.
  - Will be finalizing one or two more.
- Q&A

# Evolution and Motivation

## Web Application Basic Concepts

 User performs an action that requires data from a database to be displayed. A request is formed and sent from the client to the web server. The request is processed and the database is queried.



6. Information is displayed to the user.

5. An appropriate response is generated and sent back.

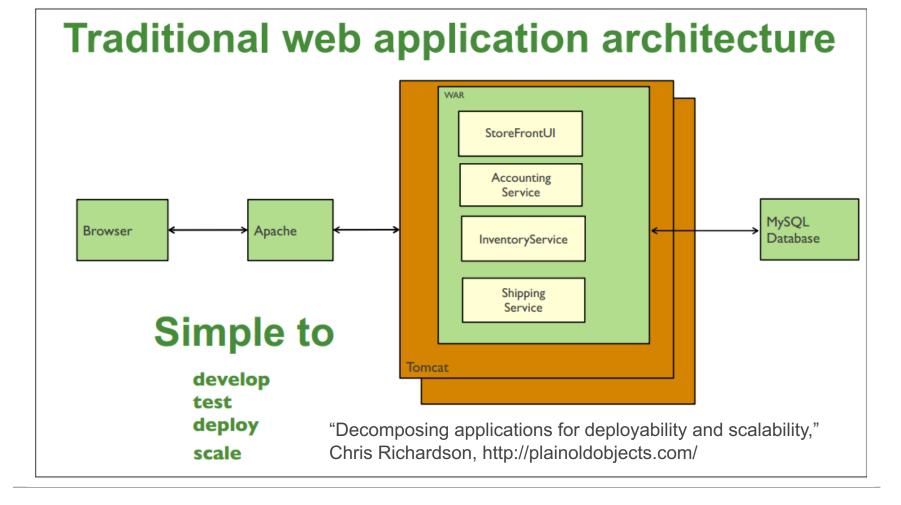
Data is retrieved.

Application User

Web Client (Presentation Tier)

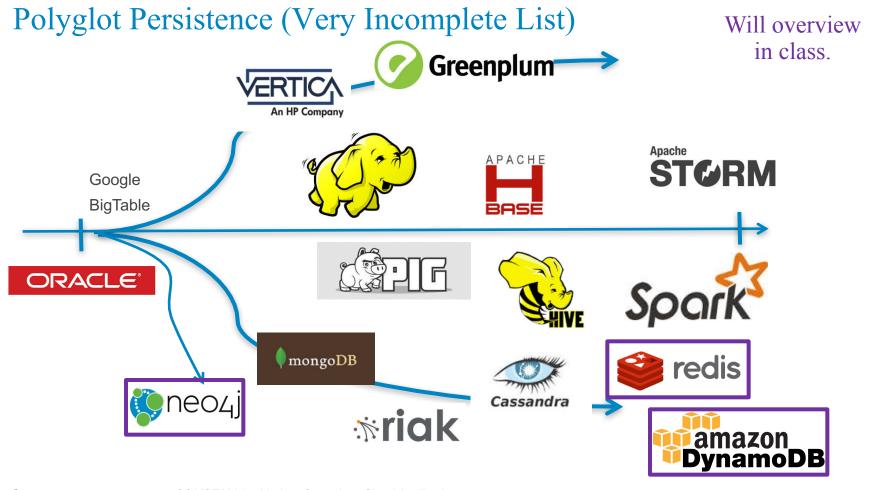
Web Server (Application Tier)

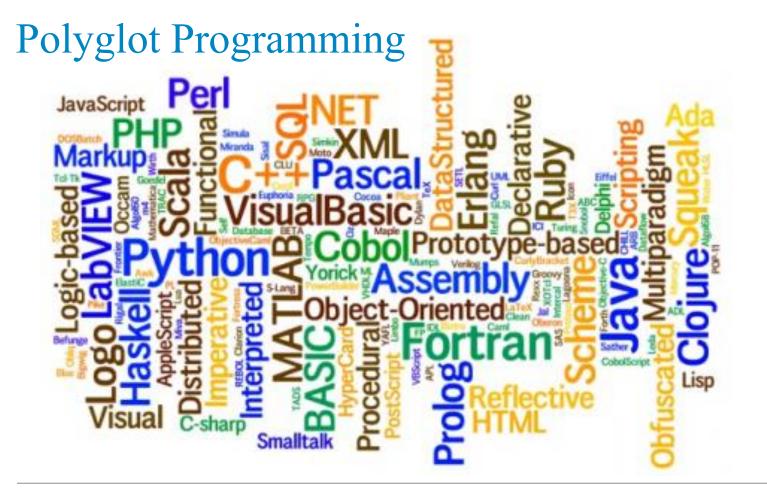
Database (Data Tier)



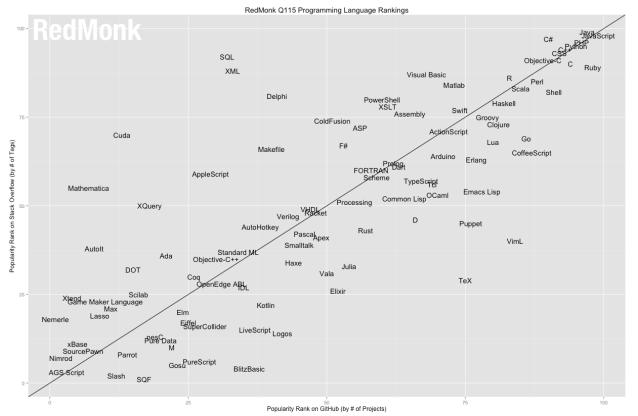
# **Evolution of Application Development**

- (Web) application development went through a phase in which there were two dominant technologies:
  - J2EE: Java, JDBC, JMS, ... ...
  - .NET: C#, ADO.NET, SQL Server, ... ...
- Polyglot persistence emerged because
  - Use cases emerged
  - That were difficult to map to RDB semantics and optimizations.
  - Which drove the development of new, simple, problem focused DBs
- Polyglot programming emerged because
  - Solving some problems seems easier with specific, focused languages
  - Java and C# became powerful and complicated, and many scenarios needed much simpler and some different capabilities.
  - The browser document model is more dynamically typed than stricture languages →
    - Single language for {UI, business logic, data}.
    - More flexibly typed, dynamic languages.

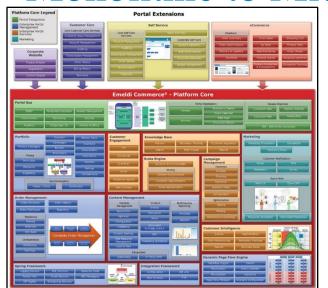


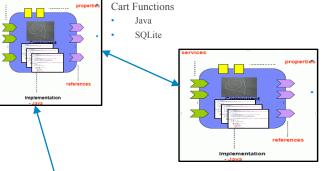


# Polyglot Programming



## Monolithic to Micro





#### Recommendation Functions

- Node.js
- Redis



Implementation

ngoDB services

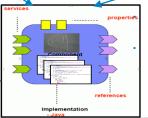


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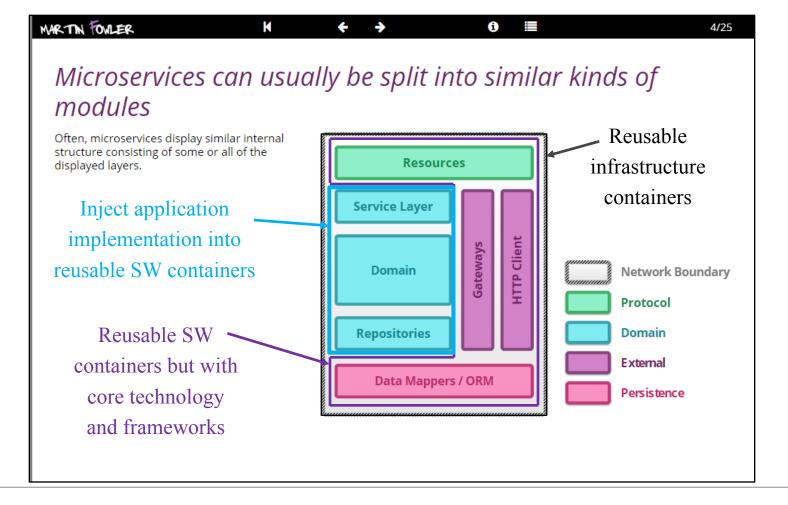
#### Motivations

- Enable best tools, languages, ... for module.
- Simplifies change management and evolution.
- Better alignment of "apps" with business functions
- Reuse of code and internet services.



#### Content Functions

- Ruby
- Amazon S3



## Micro-services Characteristics

- Componentization via Services
- Organized around Business Capabilities
- Products not Projects
- Smart endpoints and dumb pipes
- Decentralized Governance
- Decentralized Data Management
- Infrastructure Automation
- Design for failure
- Evolutionary Design

There are 5 principles of serverless architecture that describe how an ideal serverless system should be built. Use these principles to help guide your decisions when you create serverless architecture.

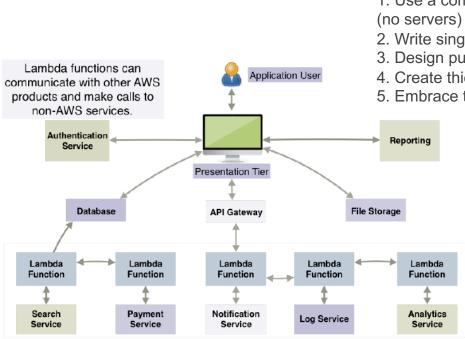


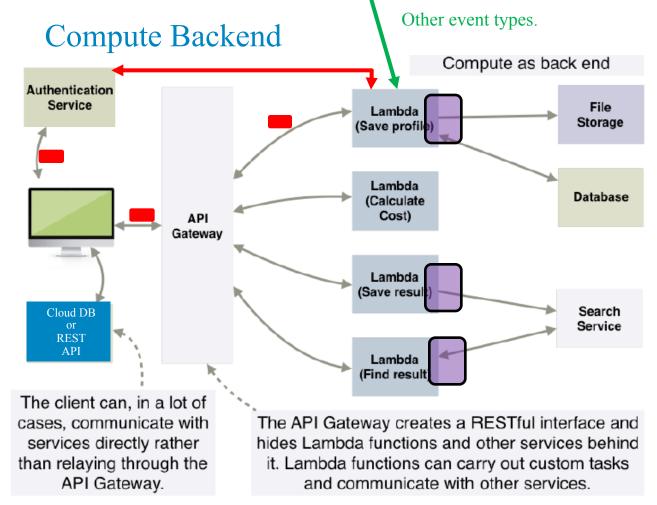
Figure 1.3: In a serverless architecture there is no single traditional back end. The front end of the application communicates directly with services, the database, or compute functions via an API gateway. Some services, however, must be hidden behind compute service functions where additional security measures and validation can take place.

## 1. Use a compute service to execute code on demand (no servers)

- 2. Write single-purpose stateless functions
- 3. Design push-based, event-driven pipelines
- 4. Create thicker, more powerful front ends
- 5. Embrace third-party services

#### Some observations on serverless

- There is running code → "some server somewhere."
- In IaaS,
  - You get the virtual sever from the cloud.
  - But know it is there, and manage and config it.
- In PaaS/microservices
  - You are aware of/build the "application sever."
  - And supporting frameworks.
  - And bundle/tarball it all together.
- In serverless,
  - You write a function based on a template.
  - Upload to an internet "event" endpoint.
  - Anything you call is a "cloud service."



#### Observations

- Front end and backend both communicate with authentication service.
- Context flows on calls.
- Well-designed code, even a single function, uses a service abstraction for accessing data.
- Multiple event types
  drive "business function"
  - API cannot be coupled to specific event format.

## Serverless from Microservices

- 1. Use a compute service to execute code on demand (no servers)
  - No need to define and maintain a runtime engine and app server.
  - Eliminates managing, monitoring, ... app server runtime instances.
- 2. Write single-purpose stateless functions
  - More flexible and dynamic lifecycle → agility
  - Evolves to an HTML/wiki like model from a stop-deploy module-restart, especial where a lot of the module has not changed.
- 3. Design push-based, event-driven pipelines
  - Microservices implies invocation only by HTTP/REST.
  - Multiple event types trigger serverless: {event, condition, action, event} model.
- 4. Create thicker, more powerful front ends
  - No "module" → code that assembles multiple data sources and functions
  - Moves from microservice to front-end.
- 5. Embrace third-party services
  - No local libraries and server runtimes →
  - All calls are inherently "web" calls.

I do not totally agree with this observation.

# Top-Level Design Specification

# REST API Patterns

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# Implementing Simple Query

GET .../Resource?p1=v1&p2=v1&...

- Validate the query expression
  - Are p1, p2 and ... queryable fields?
  - Is the combination correct, e.g. can I use p1 or p2 but not both?
  - Do v1, v2, ... seem reasonable, e.g. "zipcode=yellow" is not reasonable?
- Rewrite the query into the target DB engine's query language?

```
var params = {
    TableName: "contosocustomers",
    IndexName : index_name.
    KeyConditionExpression: condition,
    ExpressionAttributeValues: {
        ":name": name
};
```

```
SELECT * FROM customers
WHERE
lastname = 'Ferguson';
```

- Execute query and handle errors.
- Covert results to expected format, e.g. do not surface a DynamoDB format or SQL format.

# Query

- Based on input, choose
  - Index name
  - Condition ("where clause")
  - Values to insert into expression.
- Validate Query Parameters
  - Lastname only is valid.
  - Firstname only is valid.
  - Both are invalid
  - Neither is invalid.
- Execute
  - Build parameter data.
  - Call "Query."

```
function findCustomerByQuery(event, callback1, callback2) {
    var index_name
                           null:
    var condition
                           null:
    var name
                        = null;
    if (event.lastname) {
        index_name = "lastname-index":
        condition = "lastname = :name";
       name = event.lastname;
   else {
       if (event.firstname) {
            index_name = "firstname-index";
            condition = "firstname = :name":
           name = event.firstname:
   if ((event.lastname) && (event.firstname)) {
       callback2(new Error('Crappy input "${event}"'));
   if (index_name === null) {
        callback2(new Error('Crappy input "${event}"'));
    var params = {
        TableName: "contosocustomers",
       IndexName : index_name,
        KeyConditionExpression: condition,
        ExpressionAttributeValues: {
            ":name": name
    console.log("In getCustomerByQuery, params = " + JSON.stringify(params));
    dynamo.query(params, function(err, data) {
       if (err) {
           console.log ("Error = " + JSON.stringify(err));
           callback1(err, null, callback2);
           console.log("Get customer success, data = " + JSON.stringify(data));
           callback1(null, data, callback2);
```

## Mapping

#### GET .../Customers?lastname=Ferguson

```
Wed Sep 21 15:52:53 UTC 2016 : Endpoint request body after transformations: {
   "operation" : "query",
   "lastname" : "Ferguson",
   "firstname" : ""
```

Web sends.

```
#set($inputRoot = $input.path('$'))
2 - {
3     "operation" : "query",
4     "lastname" : "$input.params('lastname')",
5     "firstname" : "$input.params('firstname')"
6 }
```

Function expects.

```
1 #set($inputRoot = $input.path('$'))
2 $input.json('$.Items')
```

Web expects.

```
{
  "Items": [
      {
            "lastname": "Ferguson",
            "firstname": "Donald",
            "email": "dff9@columbia.edu",
            "address": "98bb32d0-32b2-44f0-8a4f-31176ac17340"
      },
      {
            "Firstname": "Perguson",
            "email": "don@foo.edu"
      }
      ],
      "Count": 2,
      "ScannedCount": 2
}
```

```
{
  "lastname": "Ferguson",
  "firstname": "Donald",
  "email": "dff9@columbia.edu",
  "address": "98bb32d0-32b2-44f0-8a4f-31176ac17340"
},
  {
  "Firstname": "Donald",
  "lastname": "Ferguson",
  "email": "don@foo.edu"
}
```

# Representational State Transfer (REST)

- People confuse
  - Various forms of RPC/messaging over HTTP
  - With REST
- REST has six core tenets
  - Client/server
  - Stateless
  - Caching
  - Uniform Interface
  - Layered System
  - Code on Demand

HATEOAS: Hypertext as the Engine of Application State -The principle is that a client interacts with a network
application entirely through <a href="https://hypermedia.">hypermedia</a> provided
dynamically by application servers. A REST client needs no
prior knowledge about how to interact with any particular
application or server beyond a generic understanding of
hypermedia.

# Handling Links

- In a Customer
  - The address ID
  - Is actually a *link*
  - Into another set of resources

```
{
  "firstname": "Donald",
  "lastname": "Ferguson",
  "email": "dff9@columbia.edu",
  "address": "98bb32d0-32b2-44f0-8a4f-31176ac17340"
}
```

- Resolving the link would require
  - Non-hypertext/web
  - Side knowledge
  - And violate HATEOAS
  - And forces some out-of-band documentation/info.
- Instead, return links as links.

```
{
  "firstname": "Donald",
  "lastname": "Ferguson",
  "email": "dff9@columbia.edu",
  "address": {
      "href": "../Addresses/98bb32d0-32b2-44f0-8a4f-31176ac17340"
    },
    "self": {
      "href": "../Customers/dff9@columbia.edu"
    }
}
```

#### Several Patterns, for Example

Simple

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: application/json; charset=UTF-8

{
    "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/accounts/cJoiwcorTTmkDDBsf02AbA",
    "username": "jlpicard",
    "email": "capt@enterprise.com",
    "givenName": "Jean-Luc",
    "middleName": "",
    "surname": "Picard",
    "status": "enabled".
    "directory": {
        "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/directories/WpM9nyZ2TbaEzfbR/Lk9K.
},
...
}
```

#### Link with Resource Expansion

```
"href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/accounts/ZuqcG3JHQF0TKGEXAMPLE",
"username": "lonestarr",
"email": "lonestarr@druidia.com",
"fullName": "Lonestarr Schwartz",
"givenName": "Lonestarr",
"middleName": "",
"surname": "Schwartz",
"status": "ENABLED",
"emailVerificationToken": null
    "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/directories/S2HZc7gXTumVYEXAMPLE",
    "name": "Spaceballs",
    "description": "".
    "status": "ENABLED",
    "accounts": {
        "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/directories/S2HZc7gXTumVYEXAMPLE/accounts
    "aroups": {
       "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/directories/S2HZc7aXTumVYEXAMPLE/aroups"
    "tenant":{
        "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/tenants/wGbGaSNuTUix9EXAMPLE"
    "href": "https://api.stormpath.com/v1/tenants/wGbGaSNuTUix9EXAMPLE"
```

# My Crappy Code

- Some problems
  - Only works for single item return,
     e.g. does not work for Query.
  - Relative hrefs are fragile and expose that the same code is handling two resources.
  - Hardcoded strings.
  - Lambda function is now "protocol specific."
- For project
  - Do something simple.
  - Should work for query and individual resources.

```
function theCallback(err, data, callback) {
    console.log("getCustomer:Before callback");
   if (data) {
        //callback(null, JSON.stringify(data));
       if (data.Item.address) {
            data.Item.address = {
                "href" : "../Addresses/" + data.Item.address
            data.Item.self = {
                "href" : "../Customers/" + data.Item.email
       caliback(null, aata);
        console.log("theCallback: data = " + JSON.stringify(data));
   if (err) {
       callback(err, null);
        console.log("theCallback: failure = " + JSON.stringify(err));
```

# Success Response Codes

Operation	HTTP Request	HTTP Response Codes Supported
READ	GET	200 - OK with message body
		204 - OK no message body
		206 - OK with partial message body
CREATE	POST	201 - Resource created (Operation Complete)
		202 - Resource accepted (Operation Pending)
UPDATE	PUT	202 - Accepted (Operation Pending)
		204 - Success (Operation Complete)
DELETE	DELETE	202 - Accepted (Operation Pending)
		204 - Success (Operation Complete)

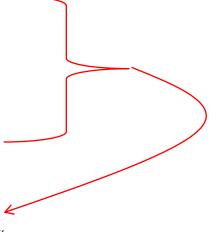
#### Examples of Link Headers in HTTP response:

Link: <http://api/jobs/j1>;rel=monitor;title="update profile"

Link: <http://api/reports/r1>;rel=summary;title="access report"

#### 202 means

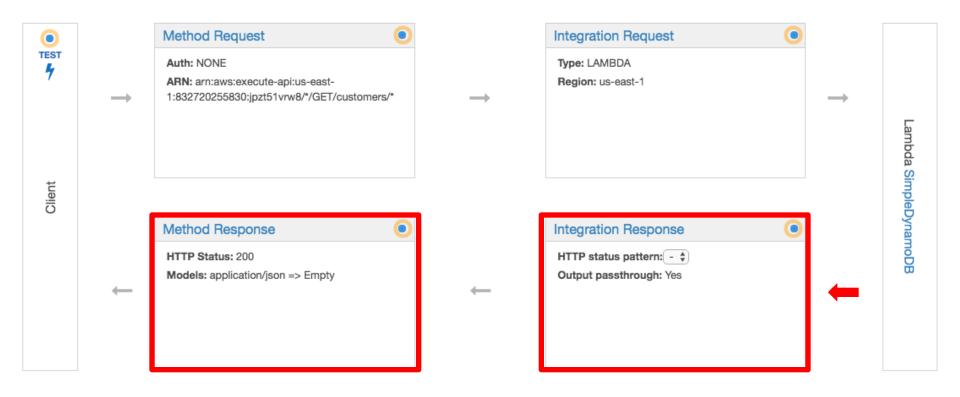
- Your request went asynch.
- The HTTP header Link is where to poll for rsp.
- We will cover later.



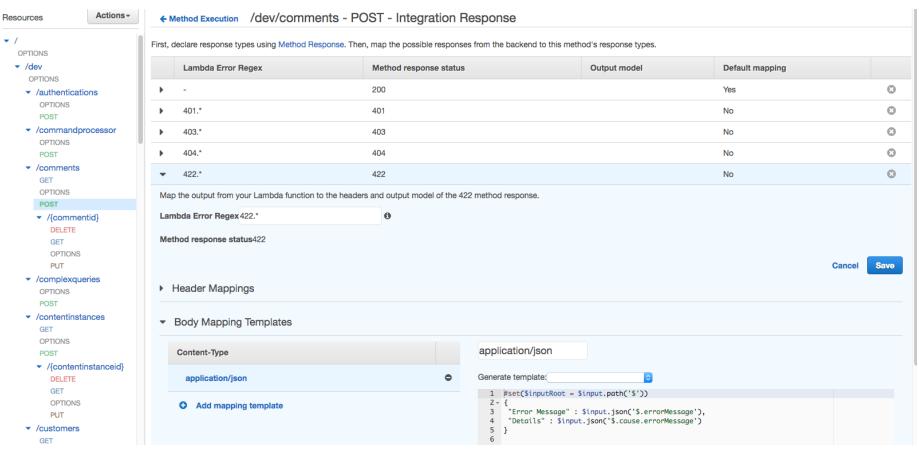
# (Some) Failure Response Code

Error	Response Code
Invalid Parameter	400 - Invalid parameter
Authentication	401 - Authentication failure
Permission Denied	403 - Permission denied
Not Found	404 - Resource not found
Invalid Request Method	405 - Invalid request method
Internal Server Error	500 - Internal Server Error
Service Unavailable	503 - Service Unavailable

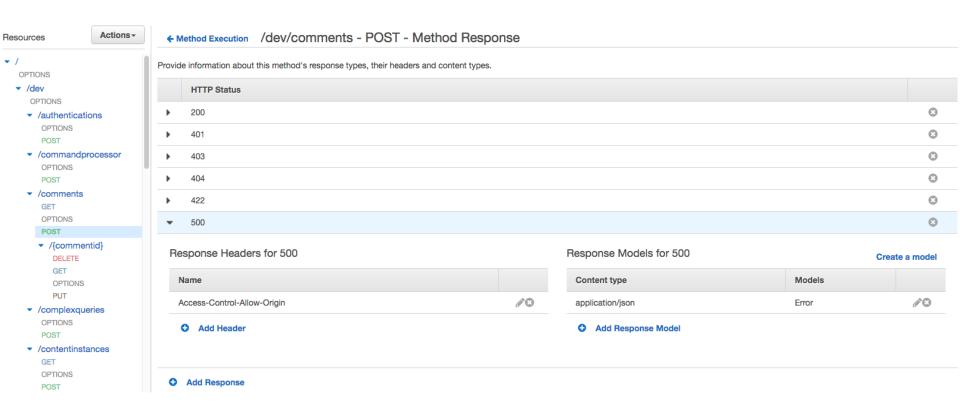
#### Responses



## Integration Response



## API Gateway Error Responses



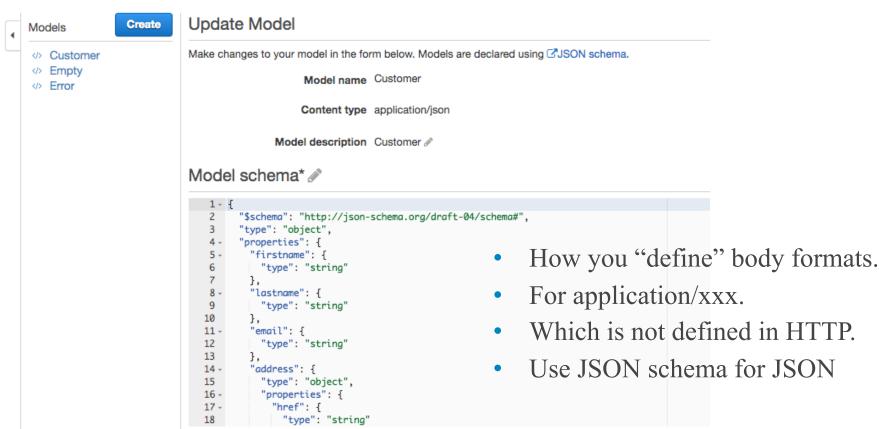
## Some Java Code

- Internally,
  - Our code catches exceptions.
  - Detects errors.
  - Returns a "status" object to the top-level, "routing" function.
- If the status is not "success,"
  - Throw an exception back to Lambda.
  - "xxx This error occurred."
  - Followed by details.
- Gateway applies regex to map application error into HTTP error.

```
protected RESTMessage postProcessRsp(RESTMessage response) {
    logger.info("Starts");
    RESTMessage result = null;
    RuntimeException e = null;
    result = response;
    Status status = response.getHeader().getMessageStatus();
   if (!status.successful()) {
        Integer code = status.getCode();
        String message = status.getMessage();
        String detailedMessage = status.getDetailedMessage();
        Throwable cause = new Throwable(detailedMessage);
        e = new RuntimeException(code + " " + message, cause);
        throw (e);
    logger.info("Ends");
    return result:
```

Similar model applies for JavaScript, but you return the *err* on callback.

#### What's All This Model Stuff?



## Simple Example

**JSON** 

```
{
  "address": {
    "streetAddress": "21 2nd Street",
    "city": "New York"
},
  "phoneNumber": [
    {
      "location": "home",
      "code": 44
    }
}
]
}
```

```
"$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#",
"type": "object",
"properties": {
  "address": {
    "type": "object",
   "properties": {
     "streetAddress": {
       "type": "string"
      "city": {
       "type": "string"
    "required": [
      "streetAddress",
      "city"
  "phoneNumber": {
    "type": "array",
    "items": {
      "type": "object",
     "properties": {
       "location": {
          "type": "string"
        "code": {
          "type": "integer"
      "required": [
        "location",
        "code"
"required": [
  "address".
  "phoneNumber"
```



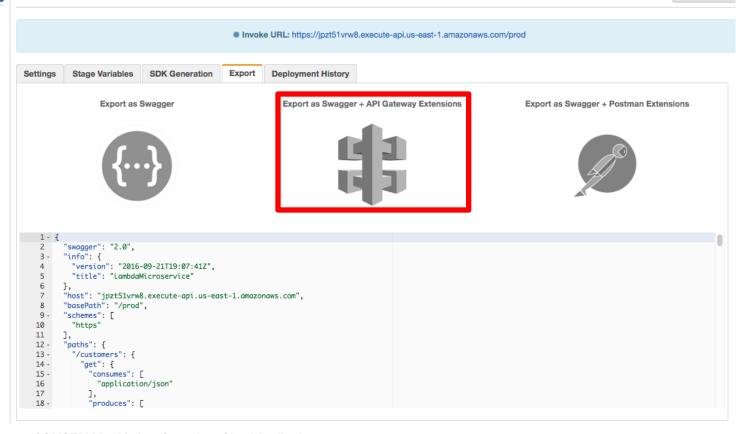
Stages

Create

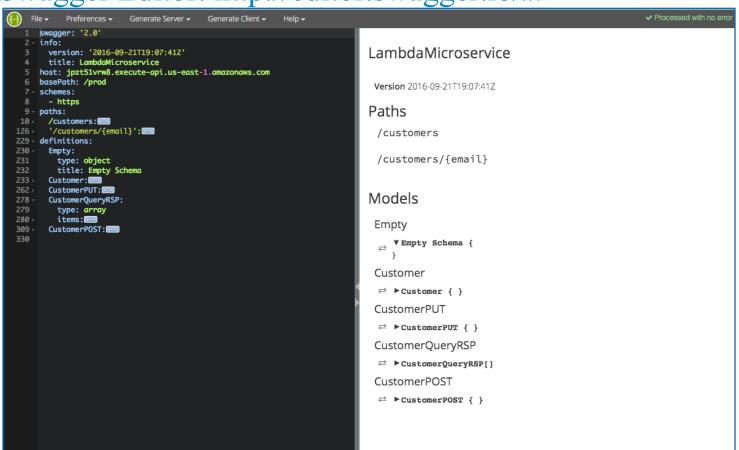
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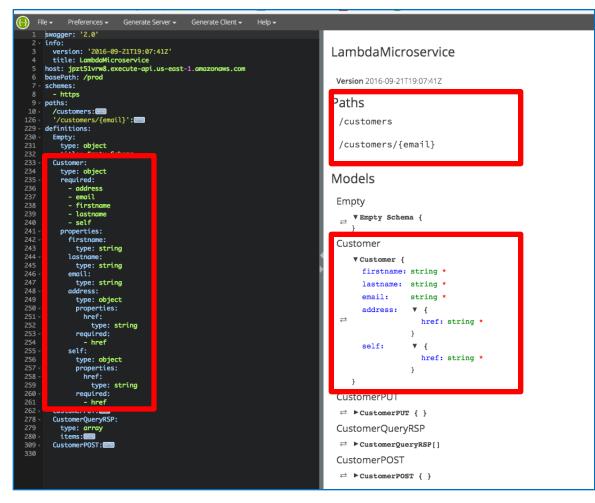
#### prod Stage Editor

Delete Stage



Swagger Editor: http://editor.swagger.io/#/



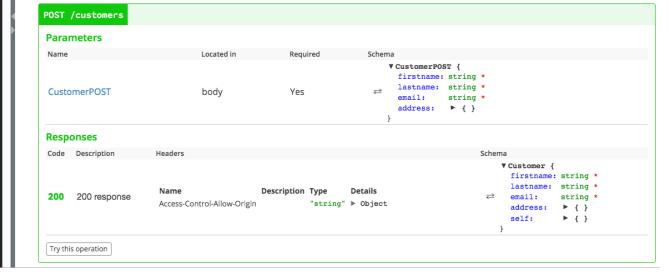


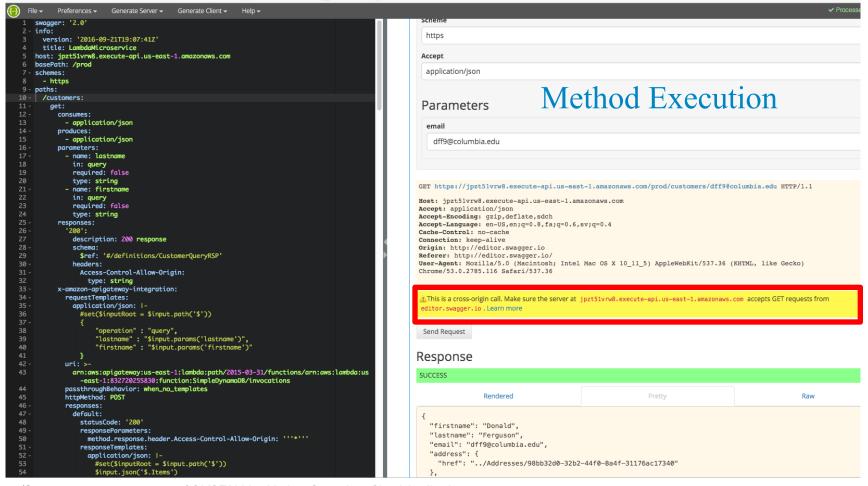
### Models

```
version: '2016-09-21T19:07:41Z'
     title: LambdaMicroservice
    host: jpzt51vrw8.execute-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
    basePath: /prod
    schemes:
      - https
    paths:
      /customers:
        get:
          consumes:
            - application/json
          produces:
            - application/json
          parameters:
            - name: lastname
              in: query
              required: false
20
             type: string
            - name: firstname
              in: query
              required: false
              type: string
          responses:
            '200':
              description: 200 response
                $ref: '#/definitions/CustomerQueryRSP'
                Access-Control-Allow-Origin:
                  type: string
          x-amazon-apiaateway-integration:
            requestTemplates:
              application/json: |-
                #set($inputRoot = $input.path('$'))
                     "operation" : "query",
                    "lastname" : "$input.params('lastname')",
                    "firstname" : "$input.params('firstname')"
40
            uri: >-
              arn:aws:apigateway:us-east-1:lambda:path/2015-03-31
                /functions/arn:aws:lambda:us-east-1:832720255830
                :function:SimpleDynamoDB/invocations
44
            passthroughBehavior: when_no_templates
            httpMethod: POST
            responses:
              default:
                statusCode: '200'
                responseParameters:
                  method.response.header.Access-Control-Allow
                    -Origin: '''*'''
                responseTemplates:
                  application/json: I-
```

# Paths Operations







# http://www.slideshare.net/VictorTrakhtenberg/swagger2 **Swagger is...**

# **Technology**

A framework for

- producing
- consuming
- visualizing

**RESTful APIs** 

# Methodology

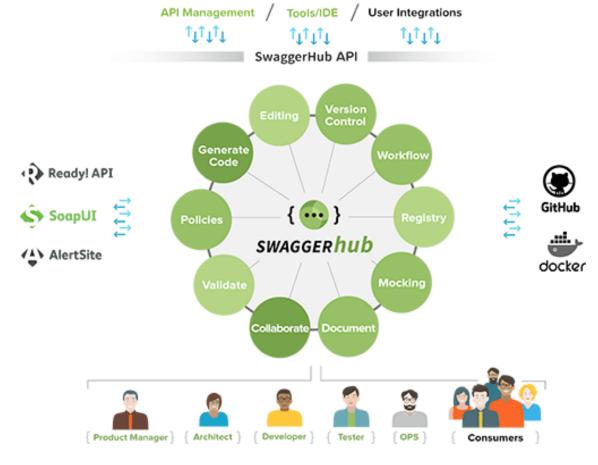
A specification for

- describing
- documenting

**RESTful APIs** 

## Swagger Hub

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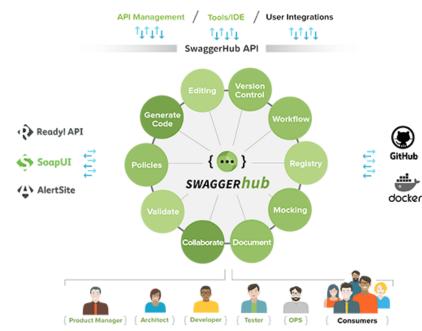
#### Design • Document • Discover

With SwaggerHub, you have the whole API Lifecycle at your fingertips:

- Collaborative design.
- Interactive documentation.
- And an easily searchable registry of Swagger-based APIs.

At its core, SwaggerHub is based on the Swagger principles of open, integrated technologies.

- Integrate with GitHub to protect your API versions.
- Link to DockerHub so API consumers can easily download and use your API.
- Use the SwaggerHub Registry API to integrate with our API directory.



# Swagger Hub

- Methodology for
  - Designing
  - Building
  - Testing
  - Finding/Using
  - "Services"
- Serverless/AWS is
  - Programming Model
  - For Implementing *methods* with
    - Agility
    - Flexibility
    - Efficiency
    - ... ..

#### **Definition Editor**



Use our intuitive editors to create your API definition and collaborate with others on their API definitions. On-the-fly validation keeps you honest.

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#### **API Registry**



Browse our list of Swagger-based APIs and explore them using our interactive documentation.

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Get your development project off to a quick start by using our client and server code templates.

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#### **Domains**



Store all your re-usable components that can later be used across multiple API definitions, saving you time and maximizing productivity

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#### Versioning



Manage different versions of your API definition and decide for yourself when to publish a version or push it to GitHub.

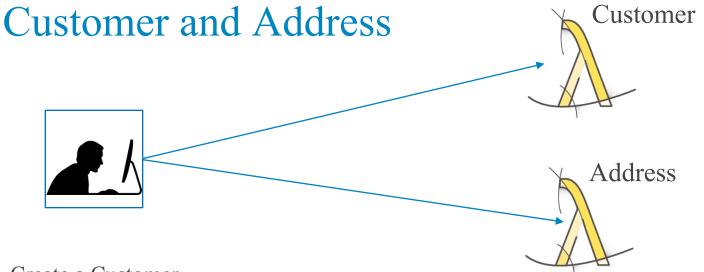
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#### **Plugins**



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# Address Verification



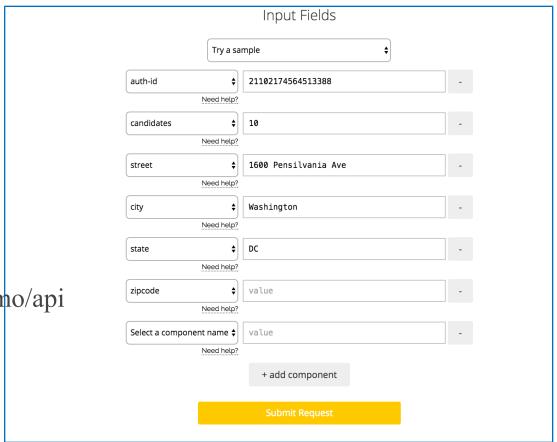
#### Create a Customer

- I can enter the address information and customer info on one "form" and make two calls.
- How do I know if
  - The address does/does not already exist?
  - Do I completely match the text? What if one used "S. Salem" and one used "South Salem?"
  - If the address already exists, how do I give the user the option of choosing without showing all of the address in a zipcode?
  - **–** ... ...

### Reuse an API

Why write a service
And incrementally
Build data if
Someone has
Already done it?

For example https://smartystreets.com/demo/api



### Example REST Call and Response

Request URL

```
https://api.cmortystreets.com/street-address?auth-
id=21102174564513388 candidates=10&street=1600% OPensilvania%20Ave&city=Washington&state=D & Zipcode=&
```

#### Some observations:

- 1. We will start to understand API security models.
- 2. Guesses corrections to incorrect data, e.g. misspelling "Pensilvania." and missing zipcode.
- 3. Delivery\_point\_barcode provides unique ID, and duplicate detection.

```
HTTP Status Code
 200
     "input_index": 0,
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# Next Steps in Project

