Notes RESTful Web Services

Application Programming Interface

The following document outlines the Notes Web Services interface implemented as part of the required Levels Beyond assessment project. It also contains information on how to launch the application, what tools were used in testing the interface and some brief design overview.

This document is included with the source code and application package. To launch the application you must have java 1.8 installed or Maven on your workstation and you must be located in the root directory where you extracted the package:

java -jar target/NotesRestApi-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar or mvn spring-boot:run

You should now be able to connect to http://localhost:8080 and validate the interfaces I've implemented below. If you wise to open the server on a different port just update the src/main/resources/application.properties and change the server.port field to the port number that you prefer. Port number below 1000 require root access.

The source code is located under the following directory: src/main/java/com/jboyd/notesApi

1. Development Overview

The application was written in JAVA 1.8 (https://spring.io/projects/spring-boot) numbers of the Spring Boot (https://spring.io/projects/spring-boot) framework which allows for rapid application/microservices development. I used maven (https://maven.apache.org/) as the build and deployment tool. Both curl and POSTMAN (https://www.getpostman.com/downloads/) were used to test the interfaces. I tested the application on both Ubuntu 16.04 and Ubuntu 18.04. This document was created using Libreoffice (https://www.eclipse.org/) as my IDE. I documented the code using swagger (https://swagger.io/).

The main processing code can be found under the following directory: src/jmain/ava/com/jboyd/notesApi
The web services controllers can be found under: src/main/java/com/jboyd/notesApi/controllers
The integration test are under src/test/java/com/jboyd/notesApi/ and can be run using the maven command: mvn test
Logging goes to the following file: logs/spring-boot-logger-log4j2.log

I prepopulated the data store with 7 entries.

There is also online documentation: http://localhost:8080/api/swagger-ui.html#/

2. Web Services API Request Summary

The following list of tables provides the details on the interfaces that are supported. For the URI field, you must include "HTTP://localhost:8080/" and then the supported URI's reported below when using the interfaces.

Note: There is also documentation online, just use the following URI: http://localhost:8080/api/swagger-ui.html#/

Table 1: GET api/notes

Description: Retrieve the list of note objects.

URI	api/notes		
Method	GET		
User Role Access	No restrictions		
Version	0.0.1		
Parameters	N/A		
Request Header	Optional: Accept:application/json or		
	application/xml		
	Default: JSON		
Request Data	N/A		
Response Codes	200		
Response Header	Content-Type:application/json or		
	application/xml		
	Default: JSON		
Response Data	A list of notes		

Example:

curl -i -X GET "http://localhost:8080/api/notes"

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HTTP/1.1 200

Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8

Transfer-Encoding: chunked

Date: Wed, 03 Apr 2019 18:14:52 GMT

[{"id":1,"body":"Its Sharon's birthday tomorrow"},{"id":2,"body":"You Mom left a message on the phone"}, {"id":3,"body":"Need to pick the kids up from school today"},{"id":4,"body":"The kids have music class Friday"}, {"id":5,"body":"Having lunch with Mary on Friday"},{"id":6,"body":"Need to call Sharon today"},{"id":7,"body":"Mom is leaving on vacation tomorrow"}]

Table 2: GET api/notes/{id}

Description: Retrieve the host whose id is given by the URI path template "id".

URI	api/hosts/{id}
Method	GET
User Role Access	No restrictions
Version	0.0.1
Parameters	N/A
Request Header	Optional: Accept:application/json or
	application/xml
	Default: JSON
Request Data	N/A
Response Codes	200, 404
Response Header	Content-Type:application/json or
	application/xml
	Default: JSON
Response Data	A host object, or null if no object is found with
	the requested id

Example:

curl -i -X GET "http://localhost:8080/api/notes/5"

HTTP/1.1 200

Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8

Transfer-Encoding: chunked

Date: Wed, 03 Apr 2019 18:24:27 GMT

{"id":5,"body":"Having lunch with Mary on Friday"}

Table 3: POST api/notes

Description: Create a new note resource.

URI	anagramList		
Method	POST		
User Role Access	No restrictions		
Version	0.0.1		
Parameters	N/A		
Request Header	Content-Type:application/json or		
	application/xml		
Request Data	A note object		
Response Codes	201		
Response Header	Content-Type:application/json or		
	application/xml		
	Default: JSON		
Response Data	The new note object		

Example:

 $\hbox{curl -i -X POST --header "content-type: application/json" -d '{ "body" : "Test note" }' \ http://localhost:8080/api/notes \ HTTP/1.1\ 201$

Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8

Transfer-Encoding: chunked

Date: Wed, 03 Apr 2019 18:36:46 GMT

{"id":8,"body":"Test note"}

Note: You must specify the content-type '--header "content-type: application/json"'

Table 4: PUT api/notes/{id}

Description: Update the note object whose id is given by the URI path template "id".

URI	api/notes/{id}		
Method	PUT		
User Role Access	No restrictions		
Version	0.0.1		
Parameters	N/A		
Request Header	application/json or application/xml		
Request Data	The note to modify. The note id must match		
	the path template id.		
Response Codes	200, 400, 404		
Response Header	Content-Type:application/json or		
	application/xml		
	Default: JSON		
Response Data	The update note		

Example:

curl -i -X PUT --header "content-type: application/json" -d '{ "id":8, "body":"Update Test note" }'

http://localhost:8080/api/notes/8

HTTP/1.1 200

Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8

Transfer-Encoding: chunked

Date: Wed, 03 Apr 2019 19:00:19 GMT

{"id":8,"body":"Update Test note"}

Table 5: DELETE api/hosts/{id}

Description: Delete the note object whose id is given by the URI path template "id".

URI	api/notes/(id)
Method	DELETE
User Role Access	No restrictions
Version	0.0.1
Parameters	N/A
Request Header	N/A
Request Data	N/A
Response Codes	204, 404
Response Header	N/A
Response Data	Empty body.

Example:

curl -i -X DELETE http://localhost:8080/api/notes/8

HTTP/1.1 204

Content-Length: 0

Date: Wed, 03 Apr 2019 19:04:19 GMT