JARS



The JavaScript RESTful Specification

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What is JARS?



JARS stands for

JavaScript API for RESTful Services.

It is a working draft specification project which aims to provide a standard REST API to JEC.

- easy-to-use
- built for maintainability
- container independent
- built on top of the TypeScript decorators specification
- · asynchronous and non-blocking

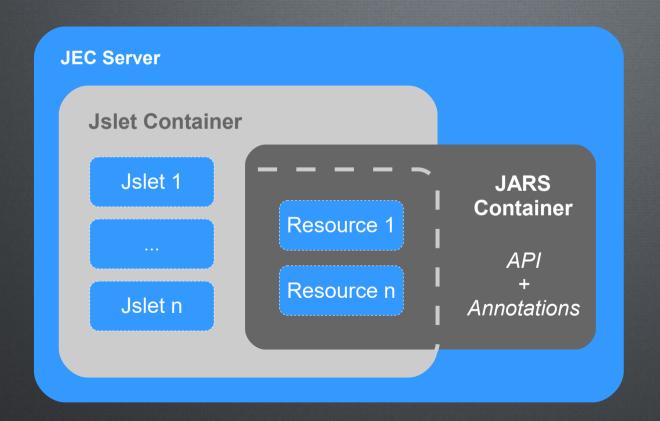
The Sandcat framework is the GlassCat default implementation of JARS.

JARS Architecture



JARS is built over the JEC jslet API.

- it uses POJOs^[1] to implement the corresponding Web ressources
- it provides support for asynchronous and non-blocking I/O



[1] Plain Old JavaScript Objects

The Modular Approach



Like all specifications that are part of the JCE Project, JARS is based on modular approach:

JARS implementations can be used independently of any container.

Sandcat initialization script for autowiring support:

List of JARS Annotations



Annotation	Target	Description
@GET, @HEAD, @POST, @PUT, @DELETE, @CONNECT, @OPTIONS, @TRACE	Method	Represent the HTTP requests that can be handled by a method.
@ResourcePath	Туре	Specifies a relative path for a resource
@Exit	Field	The reference to the callback function for non-blocking support
@Init, @Destroy	Method	Provides access to the jslet initialization API.
@PathParam	Field	The value of a method parameter, extracted from the URI paths.
@QueryParam	Field	The value of a method parameter, extracted from the URI query parameters.
@RequestParam	Field	Provides access to the current HTTP request.
@RequestBody	Field	Provides access to the body of the current HTTP request.
@RootPath	Туре	Specifies the resource-wide version path that forms the base URI of a set of resource classes.
@RootPathRefs	Туре	Specifies the resference to all of the root paths for a resource class.
@CookieParam	Field	The value of a method parameter, extracted from the cookies.

Ease-of-use



JARS API is highly intuitive to learn and use.

It provides support for sub-routing, parameters extraction and MIME types treatment:

```
import { ResourcePath, GET, PathParam, Exit } from "jec-jars";
@ResourcePath("/hello")
export class Hello {
 @GET()
 public sayHelloWorld(@Exit exit:Function):void {
   exit("Hello World!");
 @GET ( {
   route: "/:username"
 public sayHello(@PathParam username:string, @Exit exit:Function):void {
   exit(`Hello ${username}!`);
```

API Versioning



JARS provides support for REST APIs URL versioning.

URL versioning declaration:

```
@RootPath({
   path: "/versioned.api",
   ref: "v2.0",
   version: {
      prefix: "v",
      major: 2,
      minor: 0
   }
})
export class VersionedSampleApi_v_2_0 {}
```

API references declaration:

```
@ResourcePath("/search")
@RootPathRefs(["v1.0", "v2.0"])
export class Search {}
```

Client usage:

```
http://mydomain.com/myservices/versioned.api/v1.0/search
http://mydomain.com/myservices/versioned.api/v2.0/search
```

Accessing Request Properties



JARS annotations allow access to all parts of a HTTP request and easily combine them with any parameter:

```
import { HttpRequest } from "jec-exchange";
import { ResourcePath, GET, RequestParam, PathParam, RequestBody,
         Exit } from "jec-jars";
@ResourcePath("/context")
export class Context {
 @GET ({
   route: "/header-params/:param"
 public getHeader (@Exit exit:Function, @RequestParam request:HttpRequest,
                                        @PathParam param:string):void {
   exit(param + ": " + request.getHeader(param));
 @GET({ route: "/body" })
 public getHeader(@Exit exit:Function, @RequestBody body:any):void {
   exit("request body: " + JSON.stringify(body));
```

Accessing Query Parameters



JARS query parameter use a name-based implementation to make search engines more easy to implement and maintain:

```
import { ResourcePath, RootPathRefs, GET, QueryParam, Exit } from "jec-jars";
@ResourcePath("/context")
@RootPathRefs(["v1.0", "v2.0"])
export class Context {
 @GET ( {
   route: "/users"
 public getHeader (@Exit exit:Function, @QueryParam name:any,
                                        @QueryParam age:any):void {
    let response:string = "/searching for users with ";
    if(name) response += "name='" + name + "'" + (age ? " and " : "");
    if(age) response += "age='" + age + "'";
   exit(response);
```

Where to go from there?



