CS489: Applied Software Development

Lesson 7:

RESTful Web API Development

Wholeness

- RESTful Web API is one of the most common architectural styles for implementing an enterprise application that exposes or serves backend data as web service endpoints.
- Science of Consciousness: Action leads to Achievement. *Achievement leads to Fulfillment*.

What is REST?

- REST stands for REpresentational State
 Transfer
- It is an architectural style for Distributed
 Hypermedia systems
- It originated from the dissertation paper by Roy Fielding
- It serves as the underlying mechanism on which the World-Wide Web (www) operates

REST principles

- Uniform Interface
 - REST resources are identified through Uniform Resource Identifiers (URI)
- Client-Server components SoC
- Stateless
- Cacheable
- Layered

HTTP

- HTTP stands for HyperText Transfer Protocol
- It is the data transfer protocol which RESTful Web APIs use in managing the exchange of data between the Client and the Server
- It is a Stateless protocol
- The Data exchange is done through messages known as HTTP Request and HTTP Response

HTTP Methods

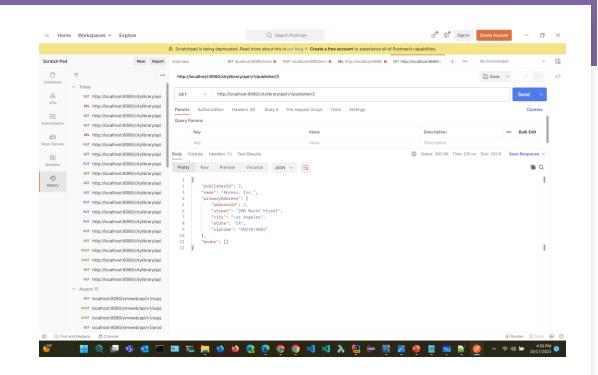
- Each HTTP Request message can be of one the following types:
 - HTTP GET
 - HTTP POST
 - HTTP PUT
 - HTTP DELETE
 - HTTP PATCH

Spring Web MVC

- Spring Web MVC is the core module in the Spring platform for implementing Web Applications, including REST Web APIs
- It provides a web application development framework that uses the Model-View-Controller architectural pattern
- Model the data model
- View the UI components
- Controller the intermediary component that associates model to views. A.k.a the router

Demo

 Implementing RESTful Web API using Spring Web MVC framework



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