Building Great Web APIsPart Two

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Welcome Back



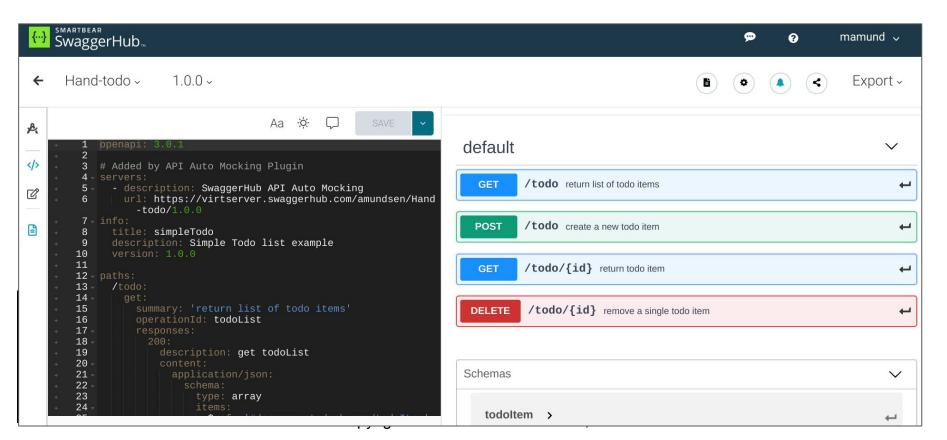




- To reduce cost and risk, take a three-phase approach
- Sketching disposable experiments
- Prototyping testable examples
- Building production implementation



Prototyping with OpenAPI



Building with NodeJS/Express & DARRT

```
mca@penguin:~/projects/api-tool-kit/api-starter-kit/darrt$ tree
    actions.js
    data.js
   lib
        component.js
        ejs-helpers.js
        storage.js
        utils.js
    representation.js
    representors
        app-json.js
        forms-json.js
       links-json.js
        prag-json.js
        text-csv.js
    resources.js
    transitions.js
2 directories, 14 files
mca@penguin:~/projects/api-tool-kit/api-starter-kit/darrt$
```



Overnight Assignment for API Design

- Start from an ALPS Description
- Using the API Starter Kit…
 - Update data.js, actions.js, & resources.js as needed
- Use npm run dev to validate the API Project



Assignment: Review



ALPS API Description

```
TODO ....: Application-Level Profile Semantics doc
3 # Author ...: Mike Amundsen (@mamund)
4 # Date ....: 2020-04-13
  7 alps:
   version: '1.0'
   doc:
    value: ALPS document for BigCo Company API
  # metadata
  name: Company API
   id: http://alps.io/profiles/mamund/company
   root: http://api.example.org/company
   descriptor:
    # properties
    - id: id
      type: semantic
    - id: status
      type: semantic
      text: 'suspended, pending, active, closed'
```

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DARRT : data.js

```
8// this service's message properties
 9 exports.props = [
    'id',
    'companyName',
    'streetAddress',
    'city',
    'stateProvince',
    'postalCode',
    'country',
    'telephone',
    'email',
    'status',
    'dateCreated',
    'dateUpdated'
24// required properties
25 exports.reqd = ['id','companyName','email','status'];
27// enumerated properties
28 \text{ exports.enums} = [
    {status:['pending','active','suspended','closed']}
30];
```

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DARRT: actions.js

```
2// bigco, inc
3// company action elements
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7 var component = require('./lib/component');
8 var data = require('./data');
11// actions for the company service
12// home, create, list, filter,
 // read, update, status, remove
16 module.exports.home = function(reg,res) {}
17 module.exports.create = function(req,res) {}
18 module.exports.list = function(reg,res) {}
19 module.exports.filter = function(req,res) {}
20 module.exports.read = function(reg,res) {}
21 module.exports.update = function(reg,res) {}
22 module.exports.status = function(reg,res) {}
23 module.exports.remove = function(req, res) {}
```



DARRT: resources.js

```
2// bigco, inc
    company resources
6 var express, router, bodyParser, actions, representation,
    transitions, utils, templates, forms, metadata;
9 init();
11// shared metadata for this service
12 metadata = [
    {name: "title", value: "BigCo Company Records"},
    {name: "author", value: "Mike Amundsen"},
    {name: "release", value: "1.0.0"}
16];
18 router.get('/',function(req,res){...});
19 router.post('/', function(req, res){...});
20 router.get('/list/',function(reg,res){...});
21 router.get('/filter/', function(reg,res){...});
22 router.get('/:id', function(req, res){...});
23 router.put('/:id', function(req,res){...});
24 router.delete('/:id', function(req,res){...});
25 router.patch('/status/:id', function(reg,res){.
```

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Validating the API



Validating the API

- Compose simple "curl tests" to validate the API
- Test each endpoint
- Confirm "happy path" tests (200 OK)
- Include "sad path" tests (400 Bad Request)



Validating the API

```
company Skis
 2 # 2020-03 mamund
 # happy
 5 # these should return 200
6 http://localhost:8484/
7 http://localhost:8484/list/
8 http://localhost:8484/filter?status=active
9 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=glw2e3r4&status=pending&companyName=MikeCo&er
.0 http://localhost:8484/q1w2e3r4 -X PUT -d streetAddress=123%
  20Main&city=Byteville&stateProvince=MD&postalCode=12345&country=USA&telephone=2345
 .http://localhost:8484/status/qlw2e3r4 -X PATCH -d status=active
 http://localhost:8484/g1w2e3r4 -X DELETE
 # sad
5# these should return 400
6 http://localhost:8484/xxxx -X GET
7 http://localhost:8484/12345 -X DELETE
 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=12345
 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=12345&companyName=BadRec,%20Inc.
 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=12345&companyName=BadRec,%20Inc.&email=badrec
 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=12345&companyName=BadRec,%
  20Inc.&email=badrec@example.org&status=broken
 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=12345&companyName=BadRec.%
  20Inc.&email=badrec@example.org&status=pending
23 http://localhost:8484/ -X POST -d id=12345&companyName=BadRec,%
  20Inc.&email=badrec@example.org&status=pending
```

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Exercise: Write Validation Calls



Writing Validating Calls

- Use curl
- Write out a 'happy path' call for each endpoint
- Write out a 'sad path' call to confirm data.js rules



Exercise: Stand-Up



BREAK



Deploying APIs



Deploying APIs

- Challenges of Deployment
- Git-based Deployment
- Using Heroku



Deploying APIs - Challenges

- Deploying your app can be complicated
- Compatibility
 - Hardware
 - OS
 - Platform
 - Framework







Deploying APIs - DevOps

- DevOps was created to help with all this
- Developers & Operators working together
- Started as a hashtag on twitter #DevOps
- Series of small conferences started in 2009
- Emphasis on automation to improve reliability





Deploying APIs - Tools

- Build tools
- CI/CD pipeline
- Docker (containers)
- Kubernetes (deployment orchestration)





Deploying APIs - Using Heroku

- Cloud platform (2007)
- Originally just for Ruby/Rails projects
- Now supports Java, NodeJS, Python, Go, Clojure, Scala
- Acquired by Salesforce in 2011
- Full platform w/ marketplace ecosystem
- Heroku uses proprietary container tech (Dynos)



Deploying APIs - Using Heroku

Download CLI
 https://devcenter.heroku.com/articles/heroku-cli

Documentation
 https://devcenter.heroku.com/articles/using-the-cli





Create an Account (required)
https://signup.heroku.com/

Deploying APIs - Using Heroku

Git deploy tutorial

https://devcenter.heroku.com/articles/git

The heroku create CLI command creates a new empty application on Heroku, along with an associated empty Git repository. If you run this command from your app's root directory, the empty Heroku Git repository is automatically set as a remote for your local repository.

```
$ heroku create
Creating app... done, ● thawing-inlet-61413
https://thawing-inlet-61413.herokuapp.com/ | https://git.heroku.com/thawing-inlet-61
```

You can use the **git remote** command to confirm that a remote named **heroku** has been set for your app:

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```
$ git remote -v
heroku https://git.heroku.com/thawing-inlet-61413.git (fetch)
heroku https://git.heroku.com/thawing-inlet-61413.git (push)
```



Releasing Exercise



Releasing Exercise

- Open command window in your project
- heroku login
- heroku create
- git push heroku master



Exercise: Review



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Open Question Time



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