Lab 3: Using OpenAPI Programming Models

Introduction

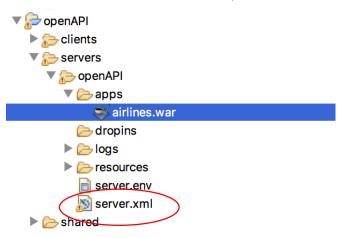
The purpose of this lab is to show you how to document REST APIs using the OpenAPI programming models. The application for which we will be creating REST APIs for is a simple Tasks app where a user can create and manage their everyday tasks. You will learn how to document your REST APIs using programming interfaces, and deploy it to a Liberty server.

3.1 Create a Liberty server to host the Tasks Application

- 1. Start Eclipse
 - a. Navigate to /home/student/cascon/eclipse folder and double-click on eclipse. Alternatively,
 you can also run it using terminal
- 2. If you have not successfully completed Lab 1, skip ahead to step d.
 - a. In the Package Explorer view, delete the airlines.war file from the apps folder in the openAPI server, by right-clicking the file and clicking Delete



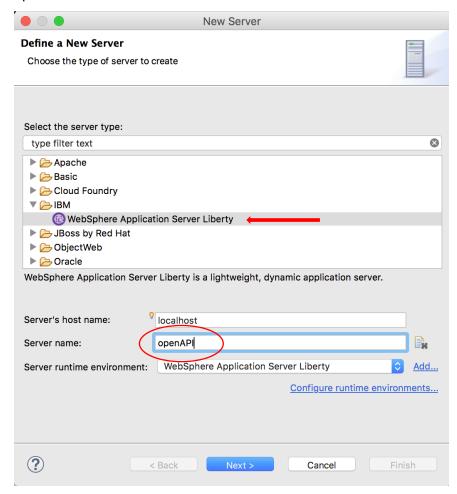
b. Also, delete the server.xml file from the openAPI server.



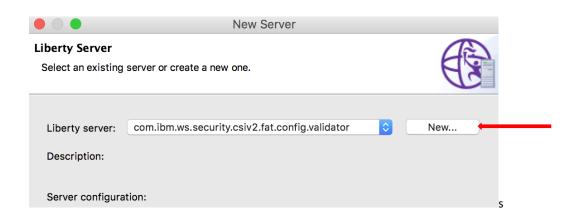
- c. Skip ahead to step 3.
- d. Open the Servers view, and create a new server



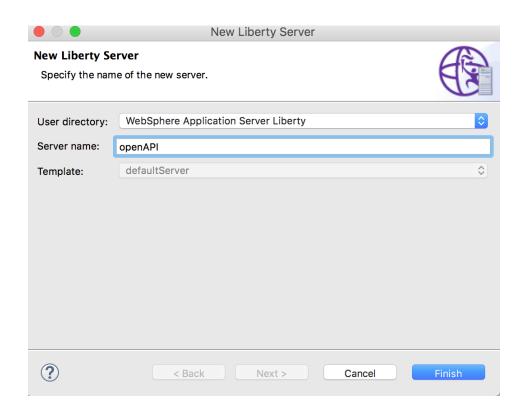
e. Create a new "WebSphere Application Server Liberty" server representation with the name openAPI. Hit Next.



f. Click **New...** to create a new Liberty server instance.



g. Specify the server name openAPI and click Finish. And click Finish again.

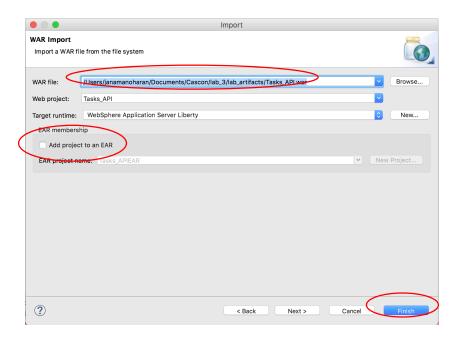


3. Import the Task project using the war file





a. Choose the **Task_API.war** file from the lab artifacts. Make sure the ""Add project to an EAR" (Enterprise Archive) is unchecked and hit **Finish**.



3.2 Explore the Tasks_API implementation and the REST APIs

1. Expand the packages in the **src** folder, you will see that the Tasks REST APIs is documented using both JAX-RS annotations and programming models. This application demonstrates how you can use the **OpenAPIConfigurationBuilder** interface to provide the OpenAPI model along with the JAX-RS annotations.



2. Open the TasksResources.java.



a. In this class, a GET method, and a DELETE method are defined. The GET method will retrieve all the tasks and the DELETE method will delete a certain task given the id. OpenAPI annotations are used to document the description, the parameters, and the types of responses for each operation. GET /tasks

DELETE /tasks

```
@DELETE
@Path("{id}")
@Operation(
         description = "delete a task from the list of tasks",
         parameters = {
              @Parameter(
                       required = true,
description = "the id of the task to delete",
                        in = "path",
                        schema = @Schema(
                                 type = "integer
                                 format = "int64")
         responses = {
                   @ApiResponse(
                            responseCode = "200",
description = "successfully deleted the task",
                            content = @Content(
                                      mediaType = "application/json",
schema = @Schema(
                                               description = "the deleted task",
                                                implementation = Task.class))),
                   @ApiResponse(
                            responseCode = "404",
description = "task not found",
                            content = @Content(
                                      schema = @Schema(
                                               example = "-1",
type = "integer",
format = "int64")))
public Response deleteTask(int id) {
```

3. Open the OpenAPIConfigurationBuilderImpl.java file



a. The **OpenAPIConfiguration** is the container interface in which you can set all the OpenAPI processing parameters. This means that you can use this interface to provide an OpenAPI model, configure the annotation scanning, and set a custom reader and scanner.

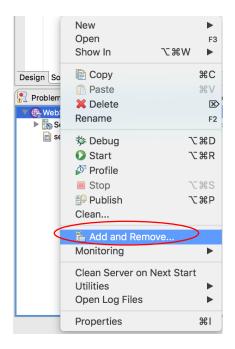
```
public class OpenAPIConfigurationBuilderImpl implements OpenAPIConfigurationBuilder {
    private OpenAPIConfiguration configuration = new OpenAPIConfiguration() {
```

The **OpenAPIConfigurationBuilder** is the main service that enables customization of the OpenAPI V3 processing in Liberty. You can use the **OpenAPIConfigurationBuilder** to receive framework-dependent environment variables that it processes when it builds a new **OpenAPIConfiguration** object.

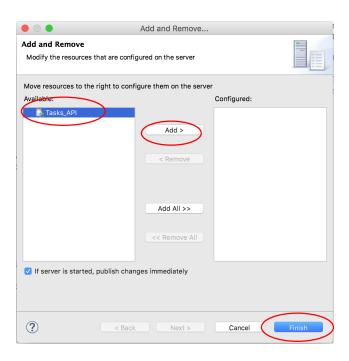
```
public class OpenAPIConfigurationBuilderImpl implements OpenAPIConfigurationBuilder {
   private OpenAPIConfiguration configuration = new OpenAPIConfiguration() {
```

- b. In this app, the OpenAPIConfigurationBuilder is used to build an OpenAPI model. This model adds to what is already documented through the JAX-RS annotations, by including a POST method which will add a task to the list of tasks
 - i. This model has the documentation for the POST /tasks endpoint and it documents a description and how the request body for the POST request should be.

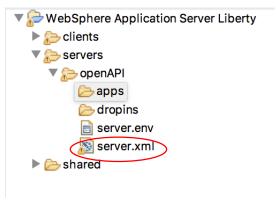
- 4. Deploy the Tasks_API app on the Liberty Server and start the server
 - a. On the Servers view, right-click the openAPI server and click Add and Remove...



b. Select the **Tasks_API** application from the Available section and click **Add** to deploy it into the server and hit **Finish**



- 4. Copy lab artifacts to the openAPI server configuration. This lab relies on a pre-existing server configurations.
 - a. Copy the server.xml from location directory to home/student/cascon/wlp/usr/servers/openAPI directory and replace the existing server.xml



5. Understand the server.xml file

- a. The jaxrs-2.0 feature allows us to support JAX-RS programming model and make http requests to our remote REST web services
- b. The openapi-3.0 feature allows us to document our REST APIs for the airlines app in an organized manner

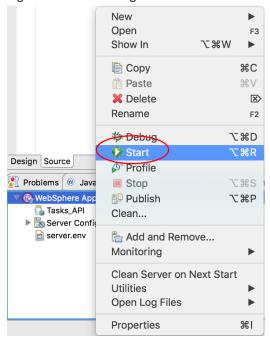
```
<!-- Enable features -->
<featureManager>
<feature>openapi-3.0</feature>
<feature>jaxrs-2.0</feature>
</featureManager>
```

c. The port that we will be using will be 9080 and 9443

```
<!-- To access this server from a remote client add a host attribute to the following element, e.g. host="*" --> <httpEndpoint httpPort="9080" httpsPort="9443" id="defaultHttpEndpoint"/>
```

- d. The openAPI server will be hosting the Tasks application by monitoring the Tasks_API.war file in the apps folder.
- e. By including the third-party value in apiTypeVisibility, we can now use third party annotations to document our REST APIs



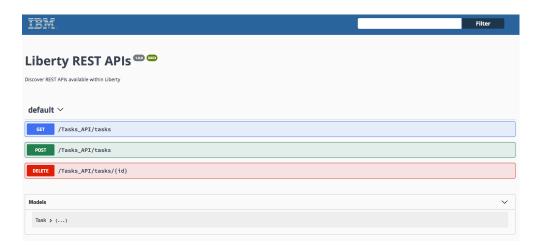


5. Explore the REST APIs

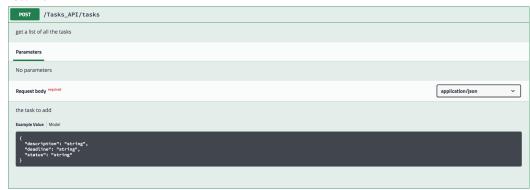
a. On the Console view, click the link to view the REST APIs in the API Explorer

```
[AUDIT ] CWWKT0016I: Web application available (default_host): http://localhost:9080/api/explorer/
[AUDIT ] CWWKT0016I: Web application available (default_host): http://localhost:9080/api/docs/
[AUDIT ] CWWKT0016I: Web application available (default_host): http://localhost:9080/Tasks_API/
```

b. You will see that the GET and DELETE methods documented using JAX-RS annotations, and the POST method documented using the programming models are smoothly merged and rendered on the OpenAPI UI



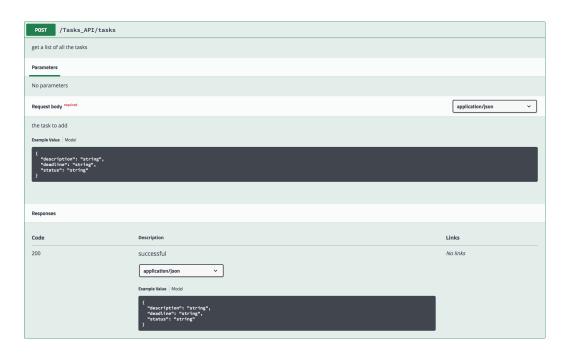
- c. Take some time to play around with the API Explorer and how the documentation in the app reflects on what you see in the UI
- 6. Manipulate the programming models to document a response for the POST method.
 - a. You may have noticed that the API for the POST method doesn't specify the type of response it returns.



b. Insert a ApiResponse model to the OpenAPI model to document what will be returned from the POST request.

Add the responses as shown below

c. Save the file and refresh the link for the API Explorer and you will see that the responses are now in the API Explorer.



You have just learned how to use the OpenAPI programming models to document your REST APIs for your application and saw how smoothly they merge with other methods of documentations such as using JAX-RS annotations. In the next section, you will see how we can specify your own custom scanner and readers for the REST APIs.

3.3 Add your own custom OpenAPI Scanner and Reader

- 1. The purpose of adding a custom scanner is to configure which classes and resources are to be processed by the JAX-RS reader. This will override the default scanner which scans for all the classes.
 - a. Create a **OpenAPIScanner** that will not scan the **TaskResources** class. Open the **OpenAPIScannerImpl.java** file.



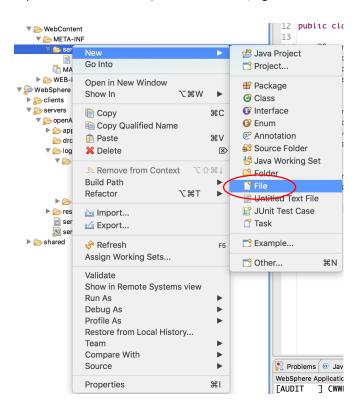
b. Modify the **getClasses** method so that it returns an empty set of classes. (the default scanner would get all the classes). By doing this, you, effectively, ignore the **TaskResources class**.

Add to the **getClasses** method as shown below.

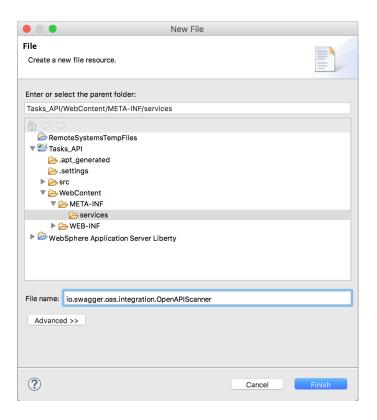
```
@Override
public Set<Class<?>> getClasses() {
    HashSet<Class<?>> set = new HashSet<>();
    return set;
}
```

c. The scanner is now complete. But for the openapi-3.0 feature to load this OpenAPIScanner, the application must have a file called io.swagger.oas.integration.OpenAPIScanner in the META-INF/services folder.





ii. Give the file the name io.swagger.oas.integration.OpenAPIScanner.



iii. In that file, specify the fully qualified name of the **OpenAPIScanner** implementation. In this case, the name is **io.swagger.oas.integration.config.OpenAPIScannerImpl**.

```
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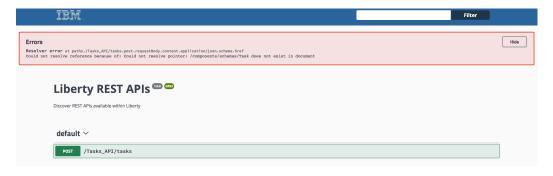
iv. Alternatively, you can also specify the custom OpenAPIScanner using the getScannerClass in the OpenAPIConfiguration. One of these methods of specifying the custom class will suffice.

```
@Override
public String getScannerClass() {
    // TODO Auto-generated method stub
    return "io.swagger.oas.integration.config.OpenAPIScannerImpl";
}
```

v. After saving all the files, the Liberty server will log the fact that you have specified a custom scanner in the **Console** view

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d. In the Console view, click the link for the API Explorer, you will see that the methods documented in the TasksResource class using the annotations are no longer rendered. Moreover, an error is shown in the UI since the Task object is not defined. This is because they were documented using the JAX-RS annotations.



e. As an exercise, you can fix this by documenting the Task object using the programming models. As seen before, objects are referenced from the components defined. So use the OpenAPI model's components property to define the Task object.

Congratulations! You have successfully completed this lab!