CS3219 OTOTTaskB

Implement REST API for backend and frontend using JavaScript

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OTOTTaskB Repo

Task B1: Running and Accessing API Locally

Required Application

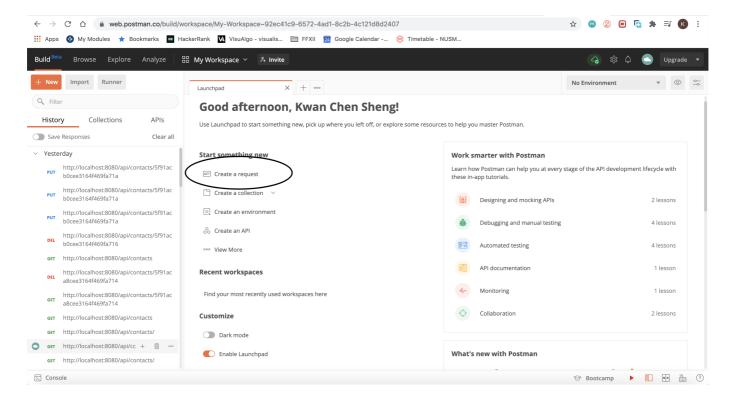
- NodeJS
- MongoDB
- Express
- NPM
- Postman

To install Express, use this command in the terminal

npm install express --save

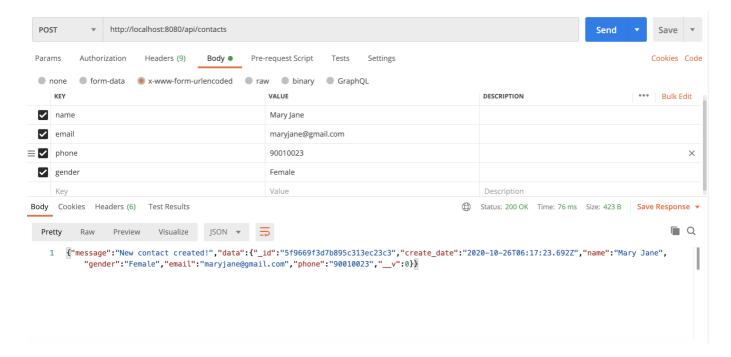
Here are the steps to follow:

- 1. Clone or Download the repo.
- 2. Use the command line npm install to install the necessary components.
- 3. In a new terminal, run mongod to ensure that the terminal is connected to mongoDB.
- 4. Upon ensuring terminal is connected to mongoDB, run nodemon index to start the app running in local server.
- 5. Access http://localhost:8080. If Connected! is shown, localhost is successfully deployed.
- 6. Go to http://localhost:8080/api/contacts to retrieve the contacts, if any.
- 7. For GET, POST, UPDATE, DELETE, we are using POSTMAN to call these APIs.
- 8. Click on create a request to begin executing API.



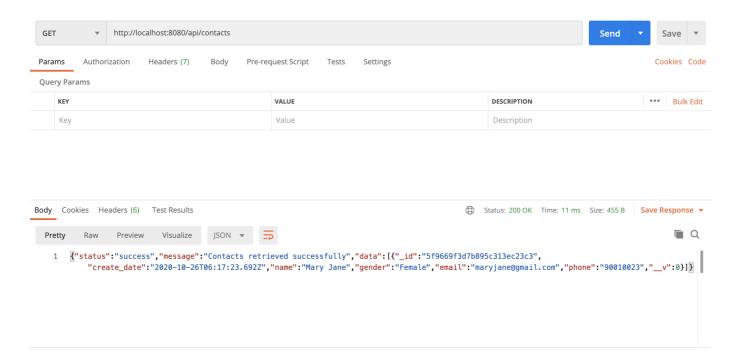
For POST:

- 1. Click on the body tab and select the x-www-form-urlencoded.
- 2. Input the following keys: name, email, phone and gender and fill in values with it.
- 3. Enter http://localhost:8080/api/contacts for the URL.
- 4. Once it is filled, press send and it will display New contact created!.



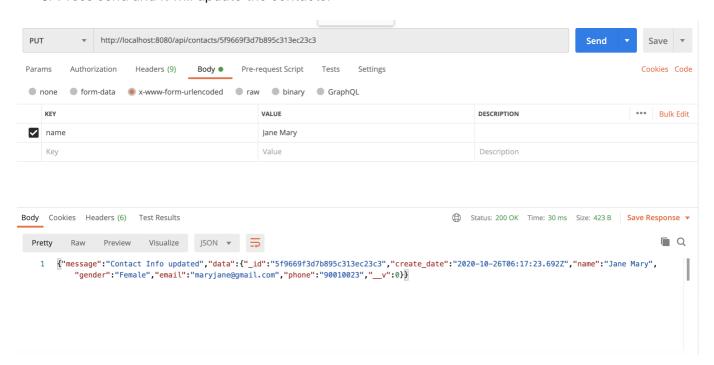
For GET:

- 1. Click on the body tab and select the x-www-form-urlencoded
- 2. Enter http://localhost:8080/api/contacts for the URL.
- 3. Press send and it will display the list of contacts.



For UPDATE:

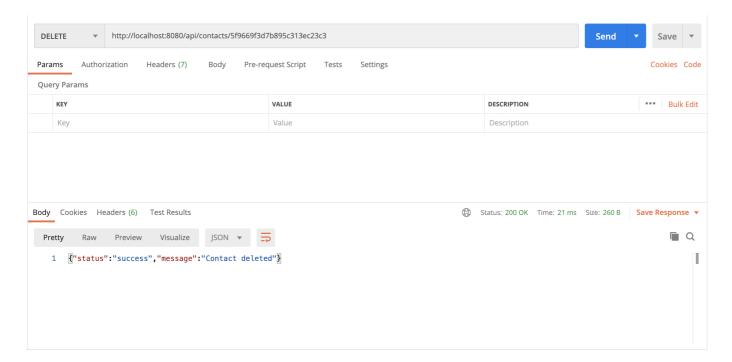
- 1. Ensure that there is at least a contact in the database.
- 2. Click on the body tab and select the x-www-form-urlencoded.
- 3. Enter http://localhost:8080/api/contacts/{contactid}, where {contactid} is the id of the contact we want to update.
- 4. Select Patch or Put and input the key and the value of the information you want to change.
- 5. Press send and it will update the contacts.



For DELETE:

- 1. Ensure that there is at least a contact in the database.
- 2. Click on the body tab and select the x-www-form-urlencoded.
- 3. Enter http://localhost:8080/api/contacts/{contactid}, where {contactid} is the id of the contact we want to delete.

4. Press send and it will delete the contact.



References

Building a RESTFUL API

Task B2: Running test locally and via Travis

Required Application

- Required application for B1
- Mocha
- Chai

Steps to follow:

- 1. Do step 1-3 for B1.
- 2. Input npm run test in the terminal to run the test cases, it should all pass.
- 3. Head to Travis and select the cloned repository.
- 4. Push something to the repo or click on restart build to start travis testing. Travis should pass.

References

Testing node express using Chai and Mocha

Documentation on how to write .travis.yml file

Task B3: Deploying Serverless

Steps to run serverless

1. Use the following link to access the contacts.

2. To perform the REST API, replace http://localhost:8080/api/contacts/ with https://10vh6khb11.execute-api.ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com/dev/api/contacts

References

References to set up AWS lambda with Access Key and Secret Access Key

Steps to deploy serverless using current app

Linking MongoDB Atlas with AWS

Learning to set up secrets and permissions for Travis

Task B4: Using the frontend SPA using Vue and Bootstrap

Setting up

Setting up backend:

- 1. In the root folder, run npm run dev to start the backend application locally
- 2. Terminal should display Db connected successfully and running at port 8080.

Open another terminal to set up frontend.

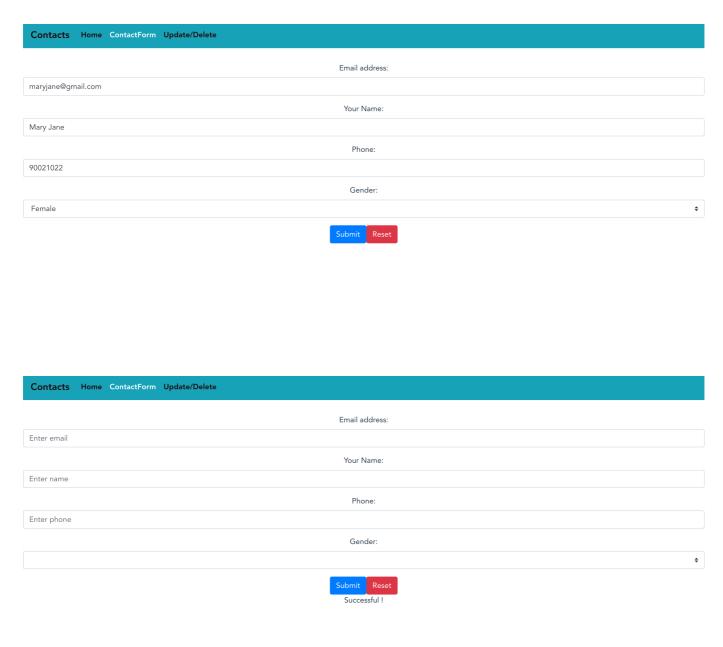
Setting up frontend:

1. Enter in terminal cd contacts—app and run npm run serve — —port 4040 to run the frontend at port 4040

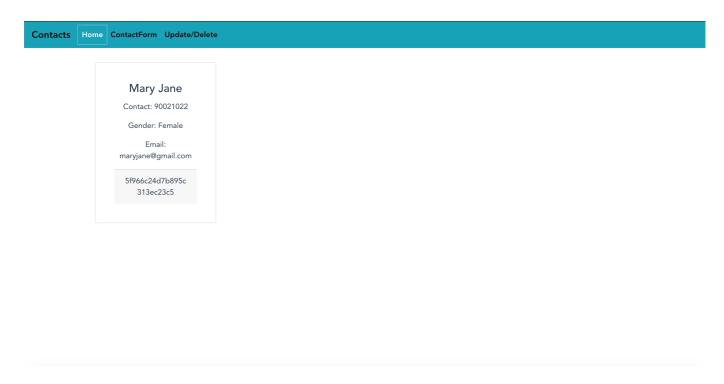
Steps to execute API at frontend:

For POST:

- 1. Navigate to the contact form by clicking on the ContactForm tab on the navigation bar.
- 2. Input Email Address, Name, Phone Number and choose Gender.
- 3. Click submit and the information will be posted to the database.

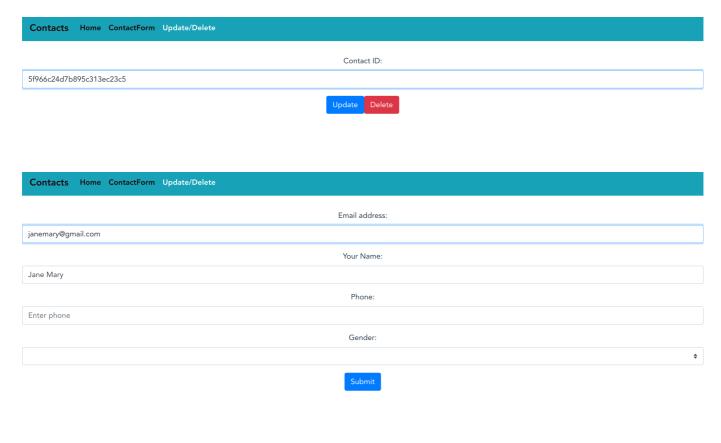


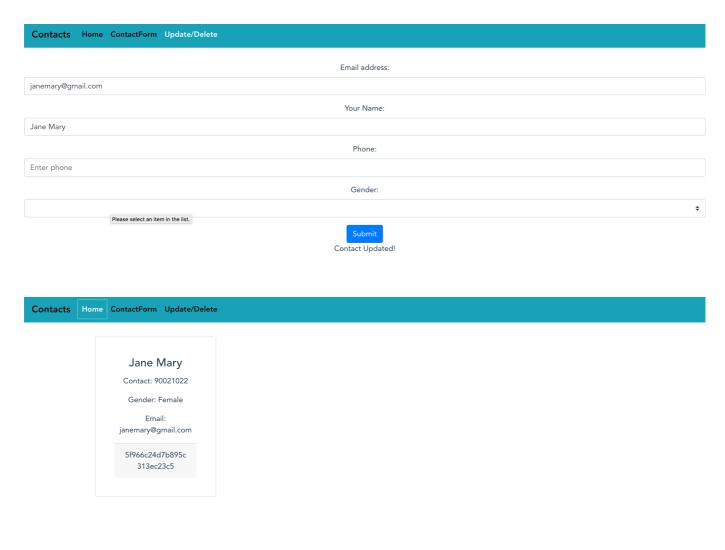
For GET: Home page will display all the contacts that is in the database.



For UPDATE:

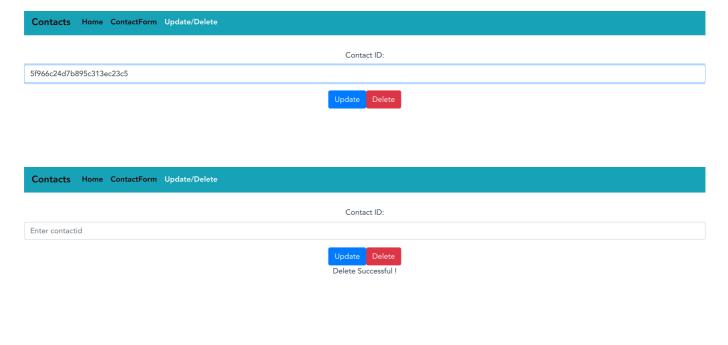
- 1. Navigate to Update/Delete tab of the navigation bar.
- 2. Copy the contact id which is found at the bottom of the contact at the home page.
- 3. Input the contact id and click update.
- 4. Input the fields that you want to update and leave blank to leave the data untouched.
- 5. Click update once done and the selectd contact should be updated.





For DELETE:

- 1. Navigate to Update/Delete tab of the navigation bar.
- 2. Copy the contact id which is found at the bottom of the contact at the home page.
- 3. Input the contact id and click delete.
- 4. The selected contact should be deleted from the database.



References

Initialising Vue and Bootstrap-Vue

Bootstrap-Vue Documentation

Using axios to consume API