

Integration of IBM API and Strong Loop

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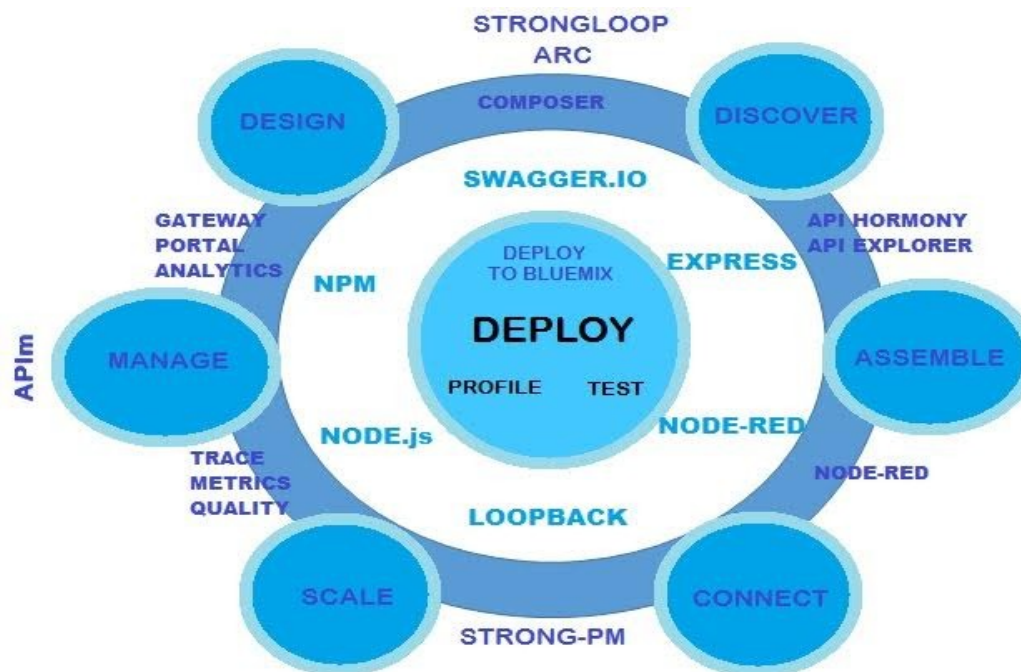
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Introduction

Strong Loop:

- Used to develop a new Node application or API.
- It provides codeless API composition, security
- Can further push this REST API to IBM API Manager or Bluemix. whereas you can use the IBM Bluemix and IBM API Manager to build and deploy it on different back ends such as Cloudant, Mongo DB and publish your API on a developer portal where it can be further developed by the developers.



IBM API Management:

IBM API Management (IBM APIM) is an API Management platform for use in the API Economy. IBM API Management enables users to create, assemble, manage, secure and socialize web application programming interfaces (APIs).

Why we should we integrate IBM API with Strong Loop?

This integration leads us to support “FULL LIFECYCLE of API’s” design, discover, assemble, connect, deploy, scale and manage along with the API composition in Swagger, Node.js and Express.js.

With Strong Loop’s Open API platform represented by Strong Loop Arc used within a cloud-based development platform like Blue mix, an enterprise can apply the Open API Method to rapidly iterate on

micro services from new or existing assets to build new engaging application and reuse and wrap existing IT assets at the speed required by new users of digital enterprise services

Process of Integration:

Create an account in Cloud9 and create a work space using template Node.js:

Owner

kri5hna

Workspace name

data

Description

Make a short description of your workspace

Hosted workspace

Remote SSH Workspace

☐ Private

This is a workspace for your eyes only


☒ Public


This will create a workspace for everybody to see


Clone from Git or Mercurial URL (optional)


e.g. ajaxorg/ace or git@github.com:ajaxorg/ace.git


Choose a template



Custom


HTML5


Node.js


Meteor


PHP, Apache &...


Python

Install the Strong Loop using the following commands:

- **npm install -g strongloop:** using this command we can create the strong loop environment globally.

Create a Loop Back Application using the following command:

- **"slc loopback"** and follow the prompts(console) to create the application

```

bash - "kri5hna-s x Immediate x +
kri5hna:~/workspace $ slc loopback

  [---(o)---]
  [  (U)  ]
  [  A  ]
  [  ~  ]
  [---o---Y---]

  Let's create a LoopBack
  application!

? What's the name of your application? Sample
? Enter name of the directory to contain the project: Sample
create Sample/
info change the working directory to Sample

? What kind of application do you have in mind? api-server (A LoopBack API server with local User auth)
Generating .yo-rc.json

I'm all done. Running npm install for you to install the required dependencies. If this fails, try running the command yourself.

create .editorconfig
  
```

Now go to workspace

Cloud9 directory Application node modules server datasources.json

File Explorer Structure:

- sample
 - client
 - css
 - img
 - js
 - index.html
 - node_modules
 - Sample
 - client
 - common
 - node_modules
 - server
 - boot
 - component-config.js
 - config.json
 - datasources.json

Terminal Window:

```

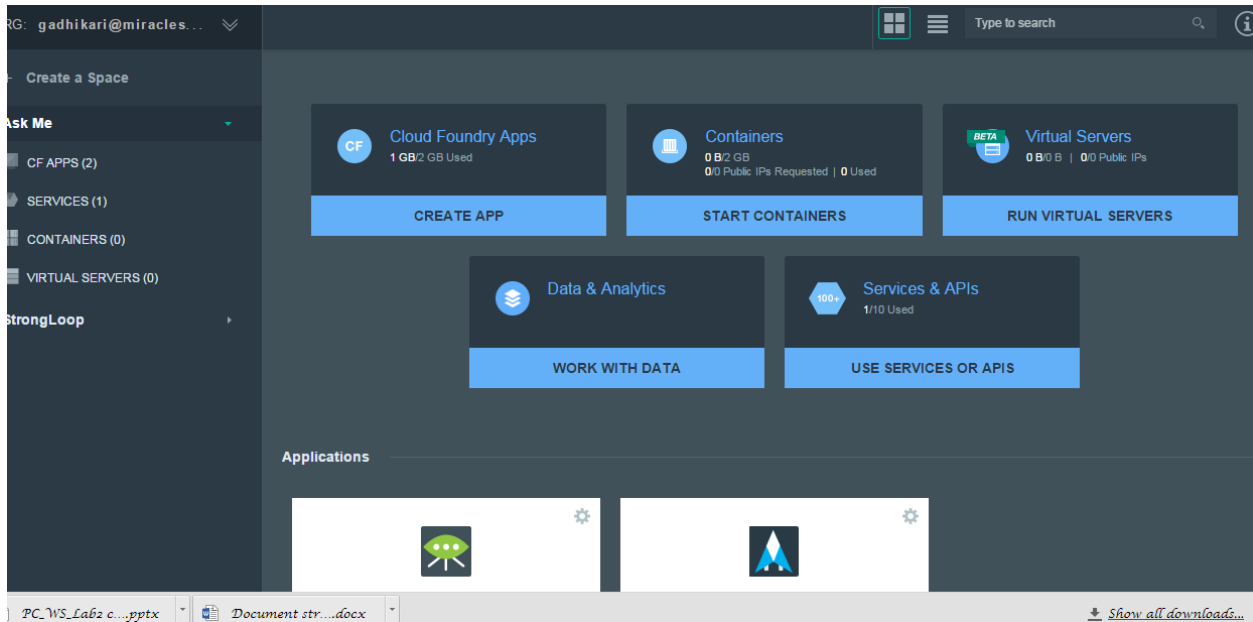
node - "kri5hna-s x Immediate x +

Compose your API, run, deploy, profile, and monitor it with Arc
$ slc arc

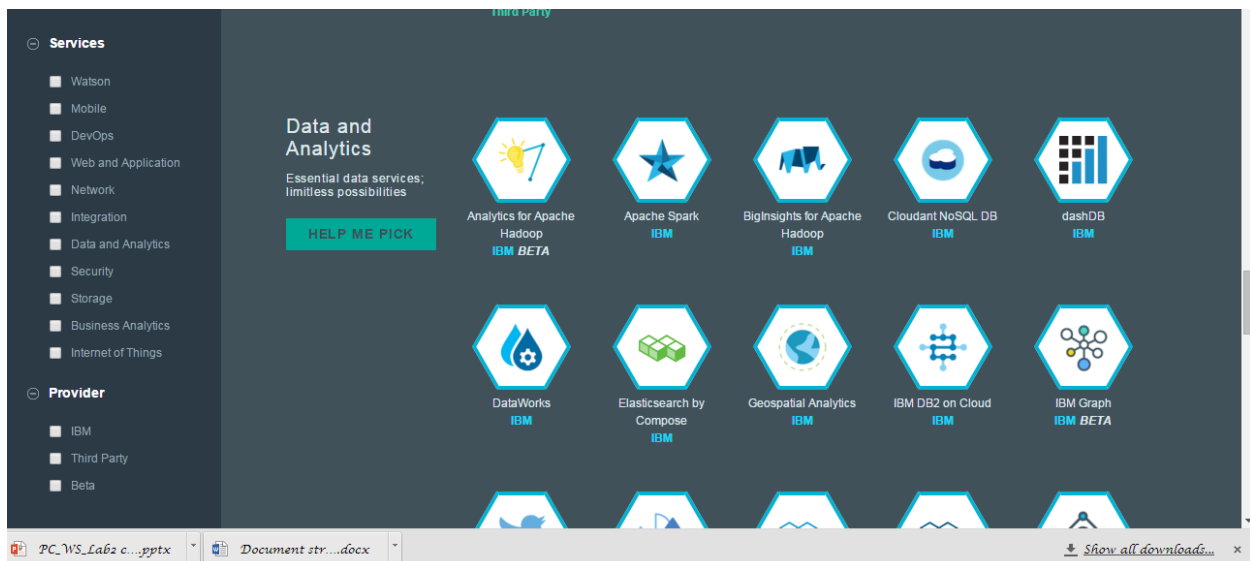
Run the app
$ node .

kri5hna:~/workspace $ cd Sample
kri5hna:~/workspace/Sample $ slc loopback(model)
  
```

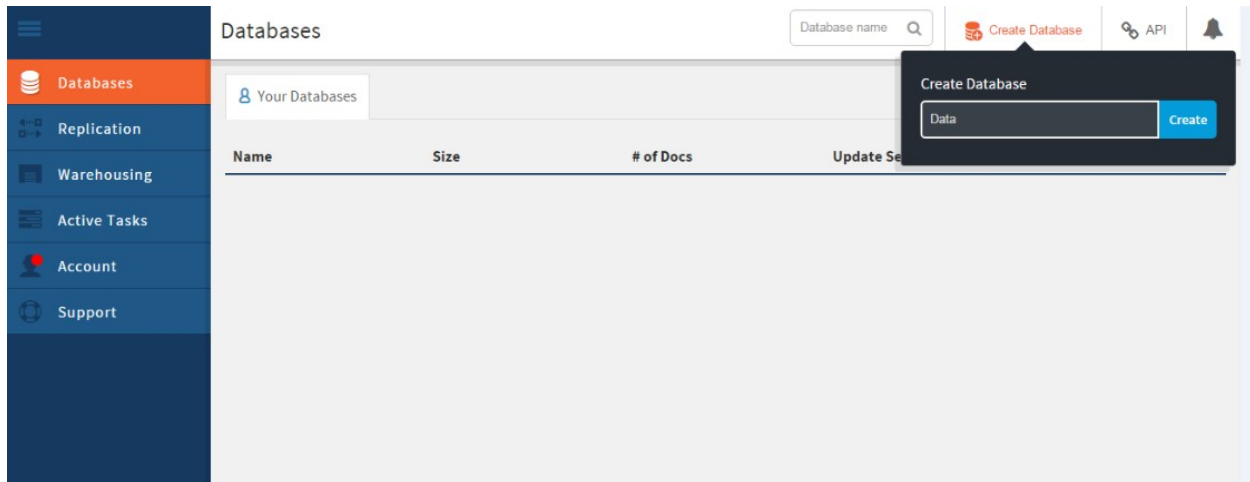
For cloudant credentials go to your IBM Bluemix Dashboard Services & APIs



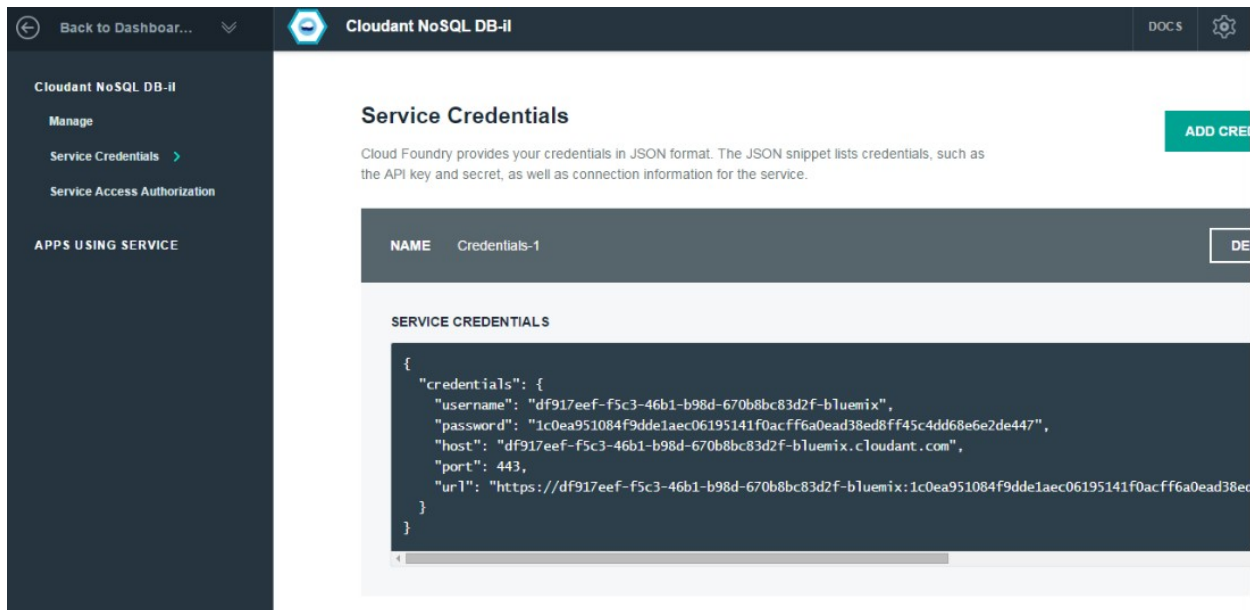
Now go to Data & Analytics select Cloudant NoSQL DB



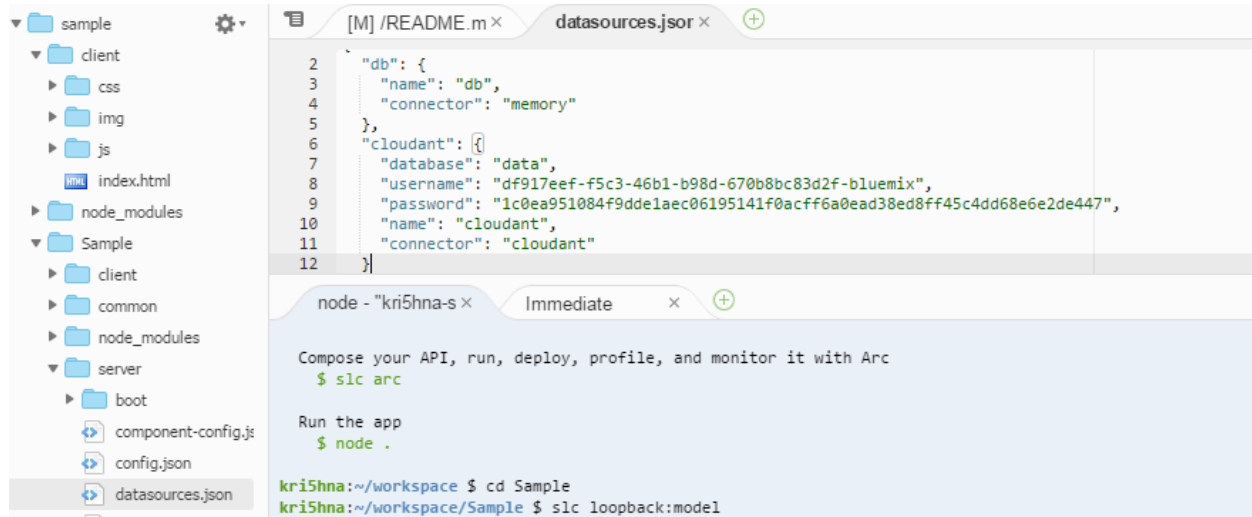
Create a service and Launch it and now create a database



Now go to dashboard → service credentials → add credentials.
and copy username and password to datasources.json



Change the database specified in `datasources.json` to the name you've given during creation of IBM Cloudant database.



The screenshot shows an IDE with a file explorer on the left displaying a project structure. The main editor shows the `datasources.json` file with the following content:

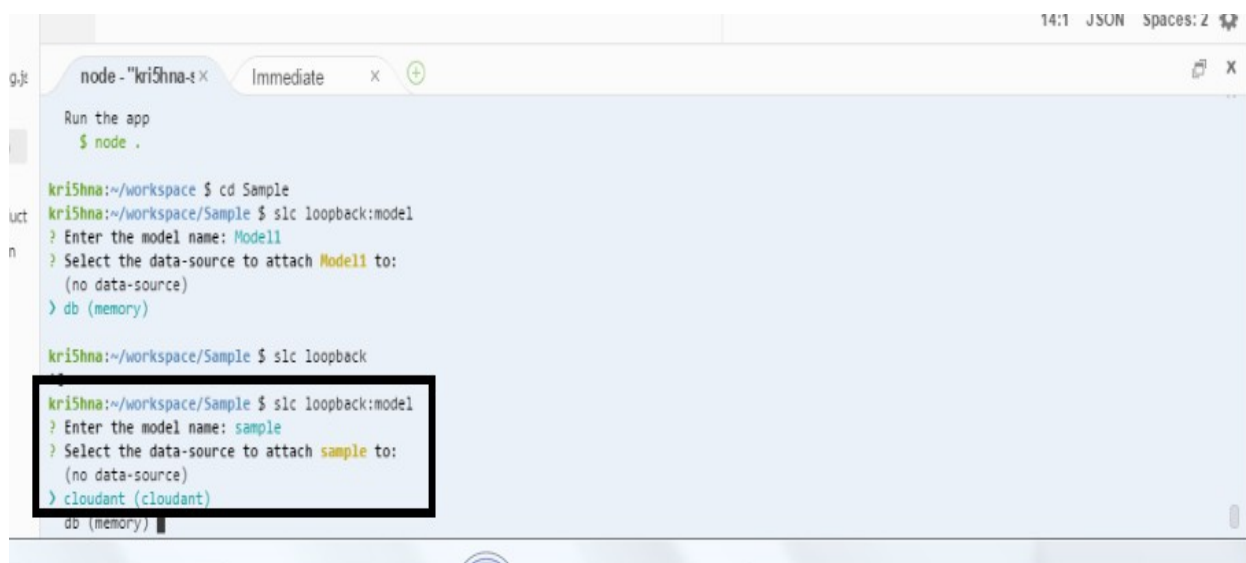
```
2  "db": {
3    "name": "db",
4    "connector": "memory"
5  },
6  "cloudant": {
7    "database": "data",
8    "username": "df917eef-f5c3-46b1-b98d-670b8bc83d2f-bluemix",
9    "password": "1c0ea951084f9dde1aec06195141f0acff6a0ead38ed8ff45c4dd68e6e2de447",
10   "name": "cloudant",
11   "connector": "cloudant"
12 }
```

Below the editor, a terminal window shows the following commands and output:

```
node - "kriShna-s" x Immediate x +
Compose your API, run, deploy, profile, and monitor it with Arc
$ slc arc
Run the app
$ node .
kriShna:~/workspace $ cd Sample
kriShna:~/workspace/Sample $ slc loopback:model
```

Go into your application directory “`cd App name`”

“`slc loopback :model`” and follow prompt
select the cloudant db



The screenshot shows a terminal window with the following commands and output:

```
kriShna:~/workspace $ cd Sample
kriShna:~/workspace/Sample $ slc loopback:model
? Enter the model name: Model1
? Select the data-source to attach Model1 to:
(no data-source)
> db (memory)

kriShna:~/workspace/Sample $ slc loopback
kriShna:~/workspace/Sample $ slc loopback:model
? Enter the model name: sample
? Select the data-source to attach sample to:
(no data-source)
> cloudant (cloudant)
db (memory)
```

The last two prompts and their responses are highlighted with a black box.

Follow the screen shot for further steps



```
node - "kri5hna" x Immediate x +
? Select model's base class PersistedModel
? Expose sample via the REST API? Yes
? Custom plural form (used to build REST URL): y
? Common model or server only? common
Let's add some sample properties now.

Enter an empty property name when done.
? Property name: name
  invoke loopback:property
? Property type: string
? Required? Yes

Let's add another sample property.
Enter an empty property name when done.
? Property name: date
  invoke loopback:property
? Property type: string
? Required? No
```

Now run the command `npm install loopback-connector-cloudant` to install cloudant DB connector



```
To fix, run:

npm install loopback-connector-cloudant

at DataSource.setup (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback-datasource-juggler/lib/datasource.js:304:28)
at new DataSource (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback-datasource-juggler/lib/datasource.js:109:8)
at Registry.createDataSource (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback/lib/registry.js:349:12)
at dataSourcesFromConfig (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback/lib/application.js:415:19)
at EventEmitter.app.dataSource (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback/lib/application.js:222:12)
at /home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback-boot/lib/executor.js:174:9
at /home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback-boot/lib/executor.js:265:5
at Array.forEach (native)
at forEachKeyedObject (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback-boot/lib/executor.js:264:20)
at setupDataSources (/home/ubuntu/workspace/Sample/node_modules/loopback-boot/lib/executor.js:173:3)
kri5hna:~/workspace/Sample $ npm install loopback-connector-cloudant
npm WARN package.json Sample@1.0.0 No license field.
npm WARN engine follow@0.12.1: wanted: {"node": ">0.12.x || 0.10.x || 0.8.x"} (current: {"node": "4.1.1", "npm": "2.14.4"})
loopback-connector-cloudant@1.0.4 node_modules/loopback-connector-cloudant
├─ async@1.5.2
├─ loopback-connector@2.3.0
├─ debug@2.2.0 (ms@0.7.1)
├─ lodash@3.10.1
└─ cloudant@1.4.1 (nano@6.2.0)
kri5hna:~/workspace/Sample $ node .
Web server listening at: http://0.0.0.0:8080
Browse your REST API at http://0.0.0.0:8080/explorer
```

Now run the URL <http://0.0.0.0:8080/explorer> in the browser



Sample

sample

Show/Hide | List Operations | Expand Operations

User

Show/Hide | List Operations | Expand Operations

[BASE URL: /api , API VERSION: 1.0.0]

Now select the post method as follow

GET	/CoffeeShops	Find all instances of the model matched by filter from the data source.
PUT	/CoffeeShops	Update an existing model instance or insert a new one into the data source.
POST	/CoffeeShops	Create a new instance of the model and persist it into the data source.

Response Class (Status 200)

Model | Model Schema

```
{
  "name": "string",
  "city": "string",
  "id": 0
}
```

Response Content Type: application/json

Parameters

Parameter	Value	Description	Parameter Type	Data Type
data	<div><div></div><div>Parameter content type: application/json</div><div>Try it out!</div></div>	Model instance data	body	Model Model Schema

Then edit JSON here

```
{
  "name": "string",
  "city": "string",
  "id": 0
}
```

Click to set as parameter value

Then click to submit request

First, click here

Insert the values in the post method and try it!

Response Content Type

Parameters

Parameter	Value	Description	Parameter Type	Data Type
data	<pre>{ "name": "John", "date": "3-490", "id": "1" }</pre>	Model instance data	body	<div>Model</div> <div>Model Schema</div> <pre>{ "name": "string", "date": "string", "id": "string" }</pre> <div>Click to set as parameter value</div>

Parameter content type:

[Try it out!](#) [Hide Response](#)

Curl

```
curl -X POST --header "Content-Type: application/json" --header "Accept: application/json" -d '{
  \name\: \John\,
  \date\: \3-490\,
  \id\: \1\
}' "http://sample-kri5hna.c9users.io:8080/api/y"
```

Then you will get response as shown below:

Request URL

```
http://sample-kri5hna.c9users.io:8080/api/y
```

Response Body

```
{
  "name": "John",
  "date": "3-490",
  "id": "1"
}
```

Response Code

```
200
```

Response Headers

```
{
  "date": "Thu, 03 Mar 2016 12:41:25 GMT",
  "x-content-type-options": "nosniff",
  "x-backend": "apps-proxy",
  "etag": "W/\"27-A1ft78oT5F0NVzNwfgW1g\"",
  "x-download-options": "noopen",
  "vary": "Origin, Accept-Encoding",
  "content-type": "application/json; charset=utf-8",
  "access-control-allow-origin": "http://sample-kri5hna.c9users.io:8080",
  "access-control-allow-credentials": "true",
  "content-length": "39",
  "x-xss-protection": "1; mode=block"
}
```

Expand GET method to get the request URL by clicking on “Try it out”.

Sample

sample [Show/Hide](#) | [List Operations](#) | [Expand Operations](#)

GET /y Find all instances of the model matched by filter from the data source.

Response Class (Status 200)

Model | Model Schema

```
[
  {
    "name": "string",
    "date": "string",
    "id": "string"
  }
]
```

Response Content Type

Parameters

Parameter	Value	Description	Parameter Type	Data Type
filter	<input type="text"/>	Filter defining fields, where, include, order, offset, and limit	query	string

[Try it out!](#) [Hide Response](#)

Curl

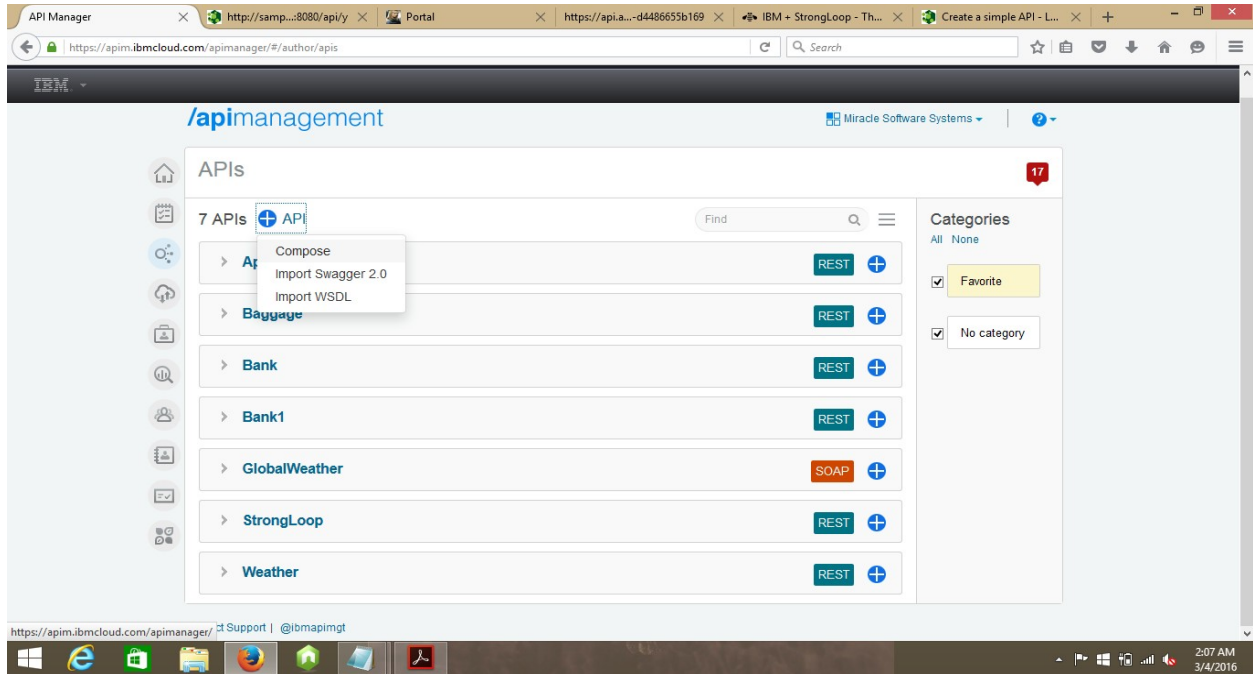
```
curl -X GET http://sample-kri5hna.c9users.io:8080/api/y
```

Copy the request URL:

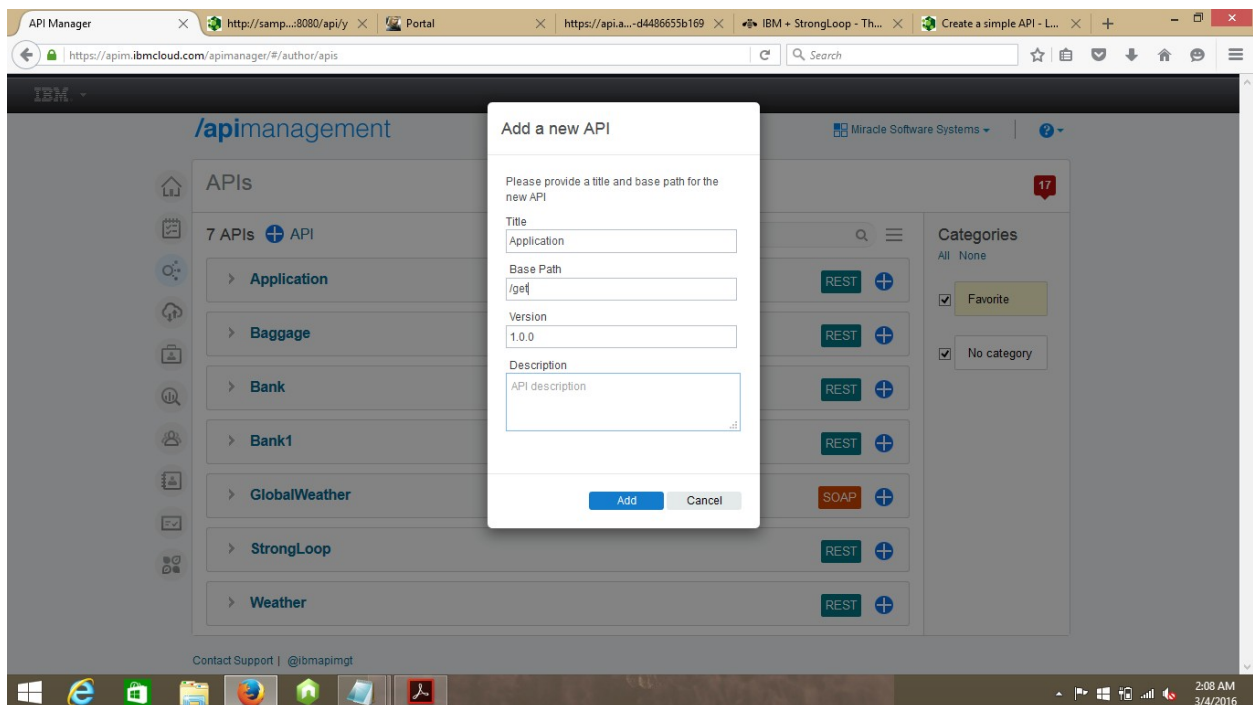
Request URL

```
http://sample-kri5hna.c9users.io:8080/api/y
```

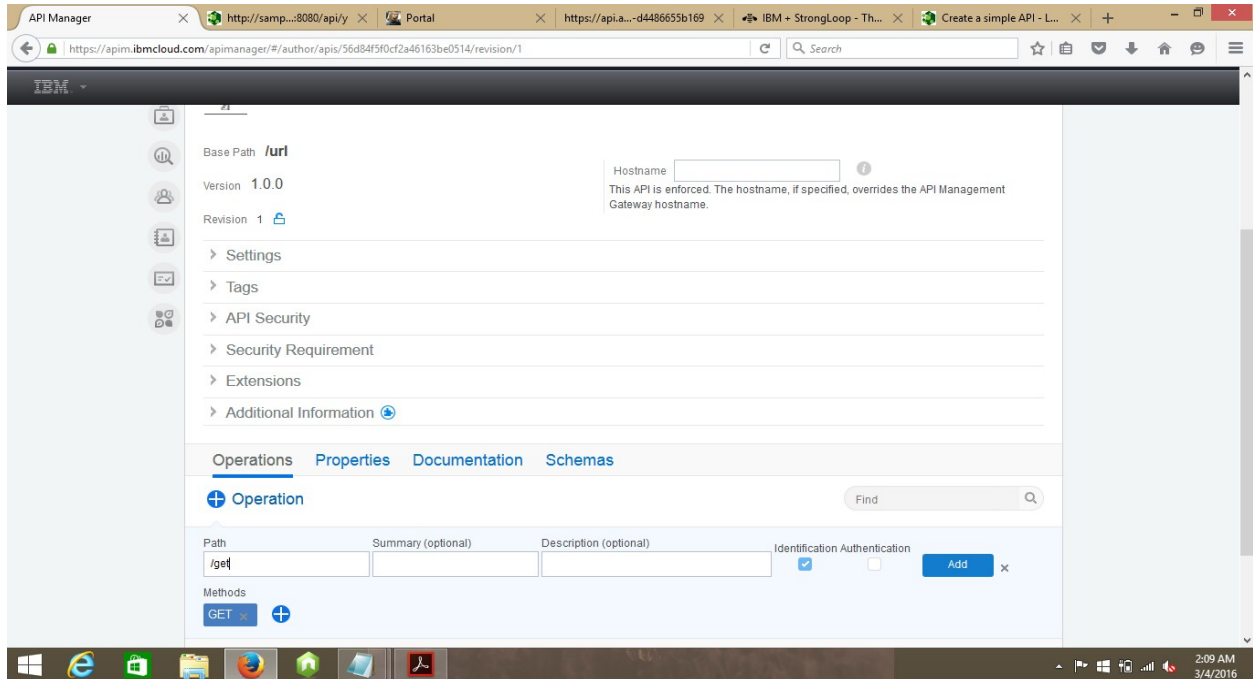
Create a new API in IBM API Manager



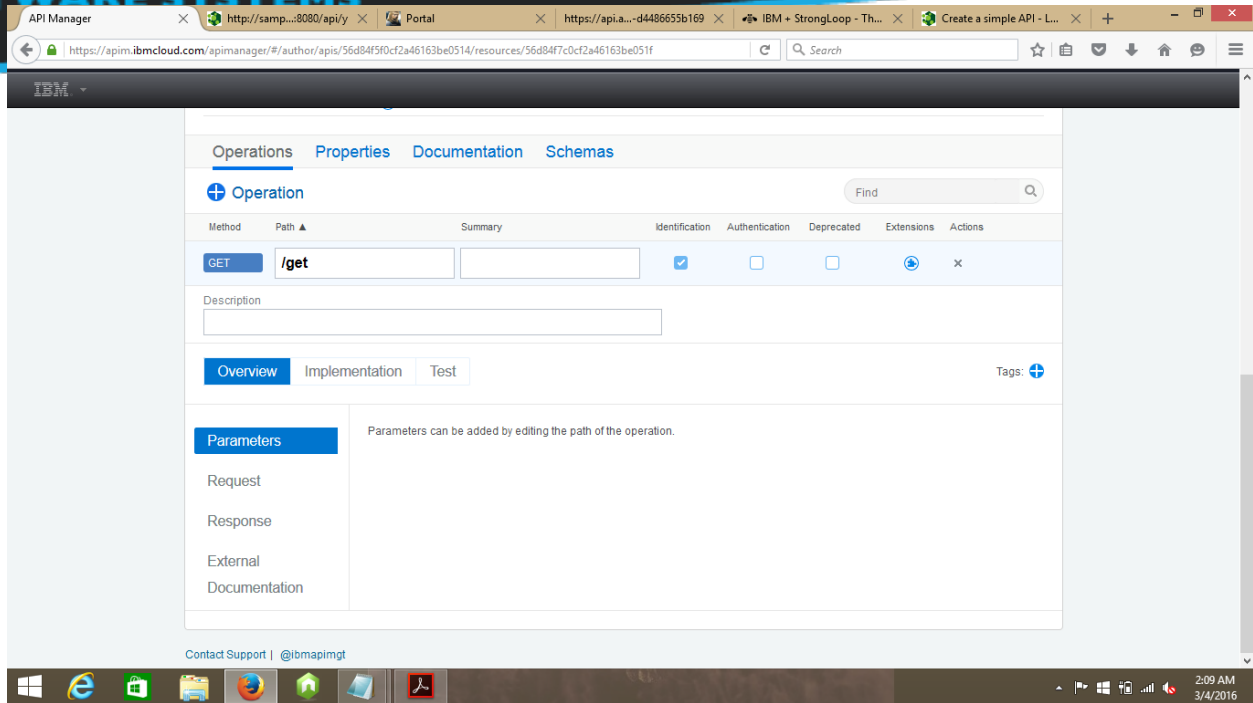
Add a new API and specify the base path



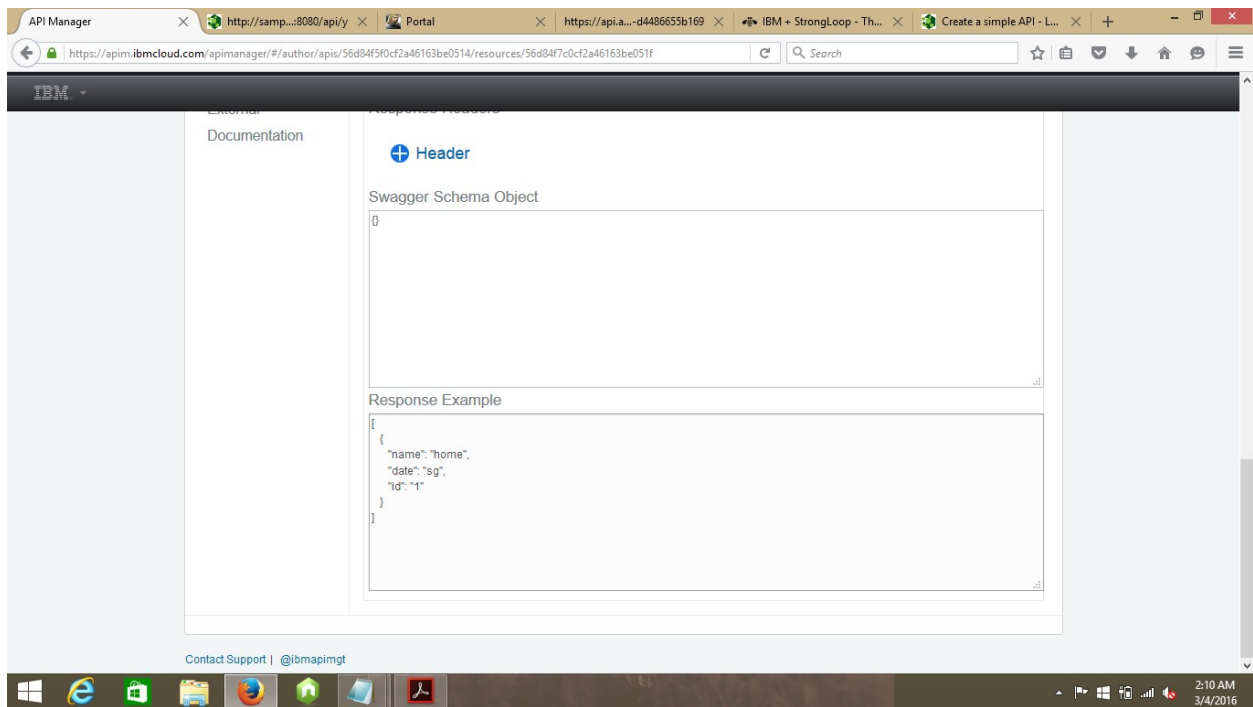
Add a new operation and specify path and select method you require:

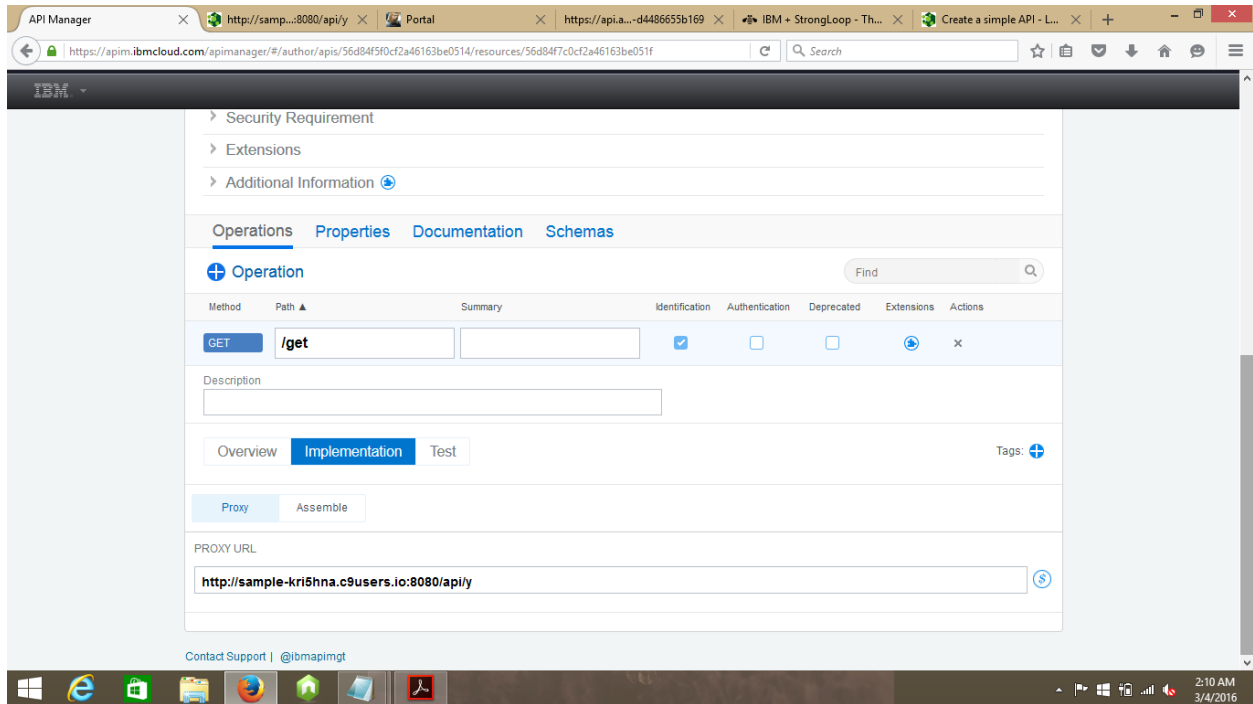


Copy the response which you get while using request URL

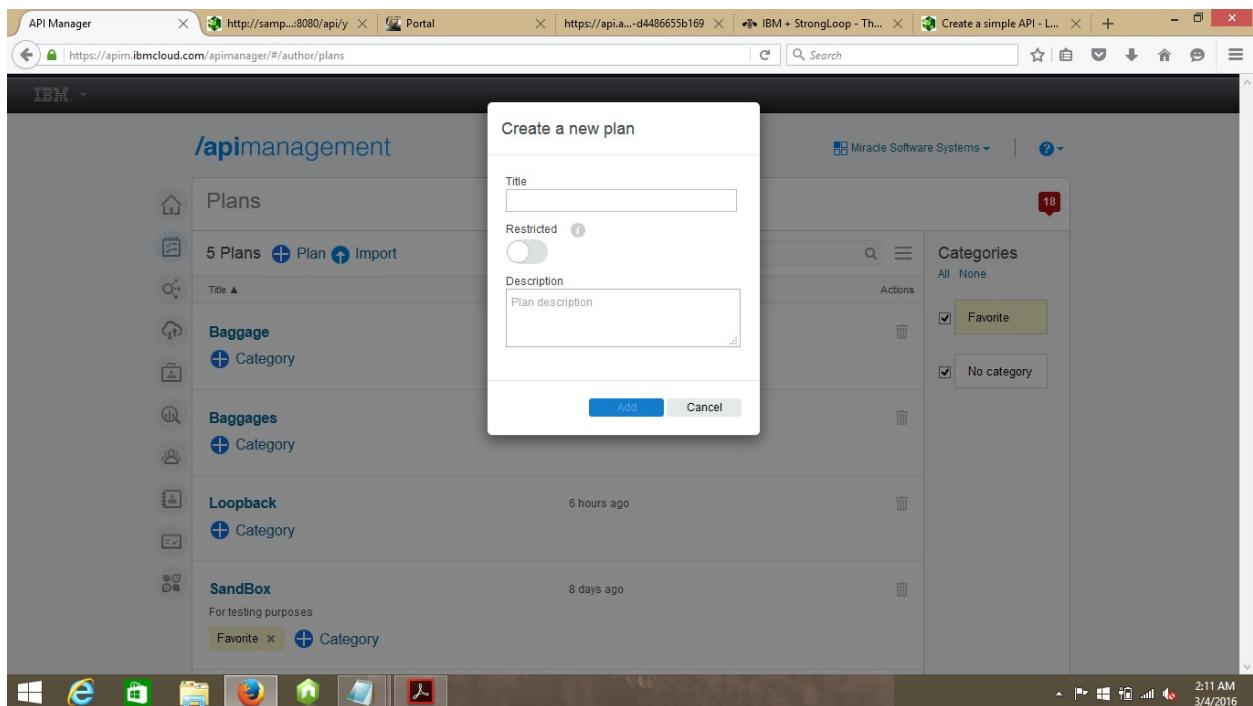


Paste it in the response body and check whether the given response is in validate form

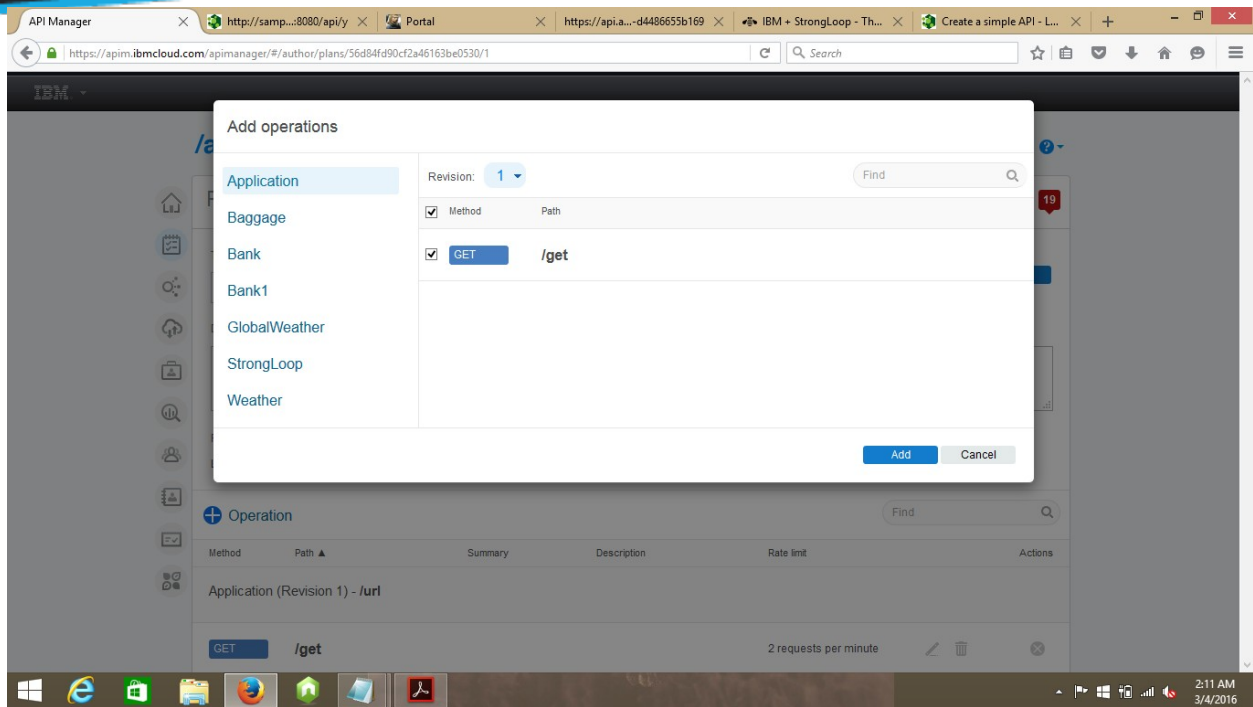




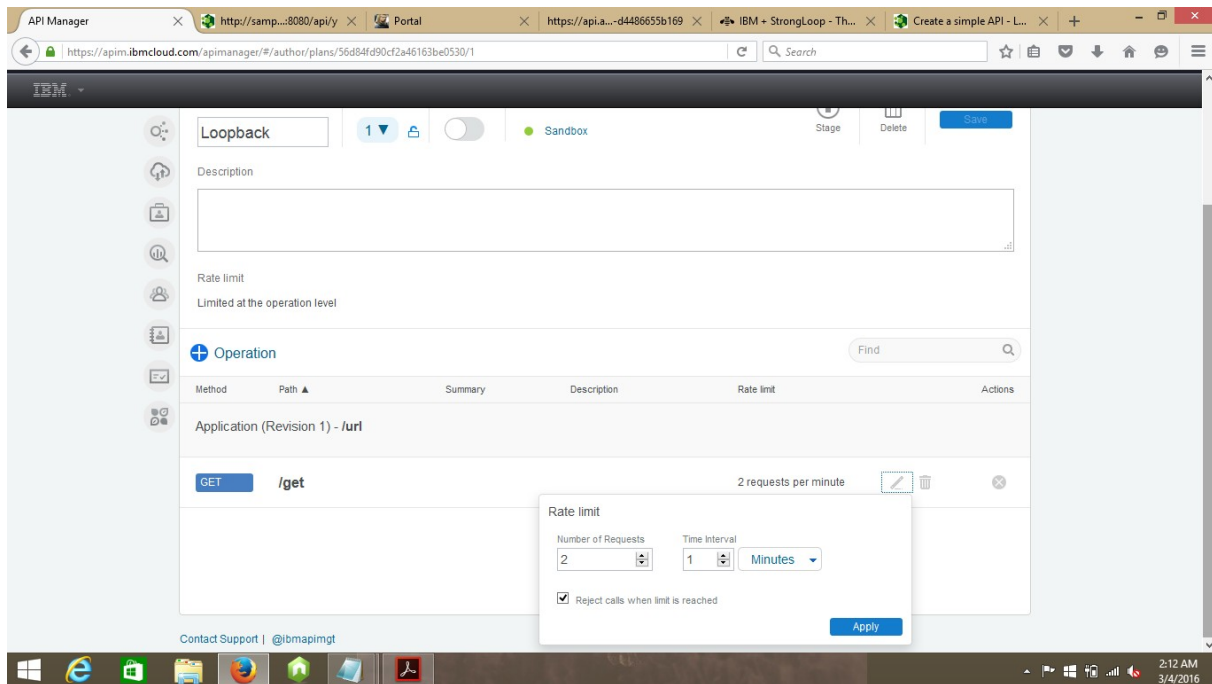
Create a new plan



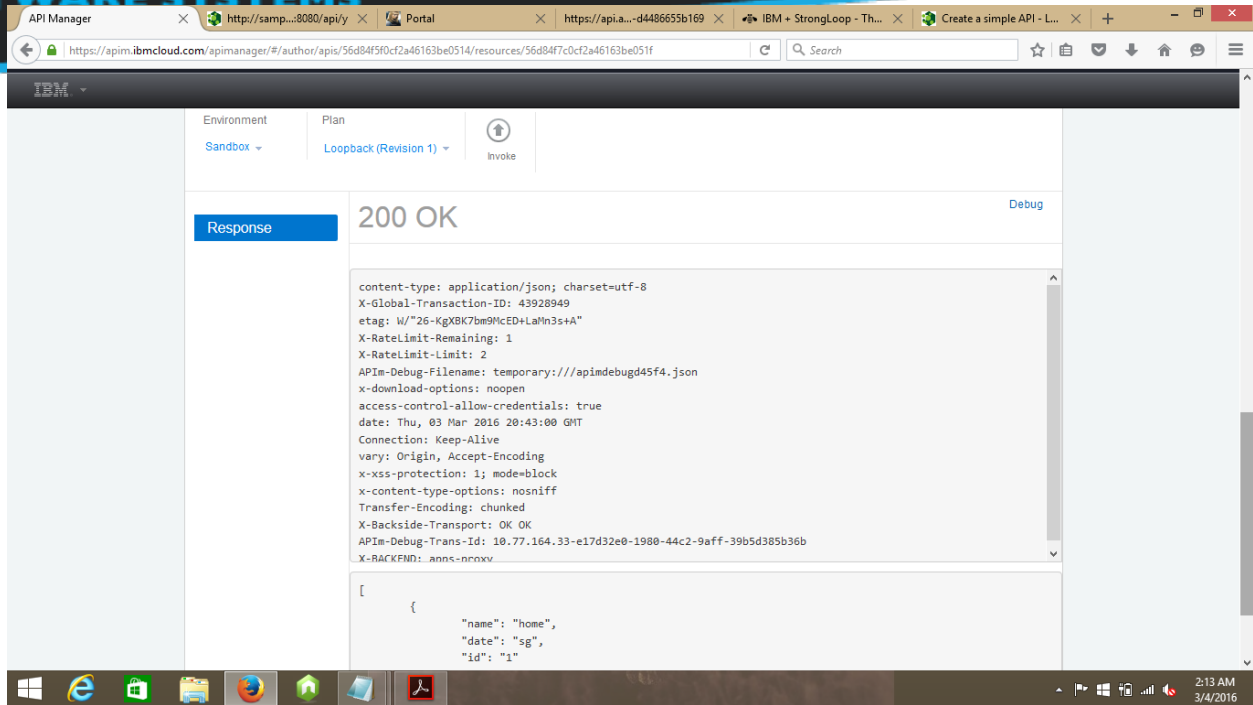
Add a new operation and select the required API you require



You can specify the rate limit



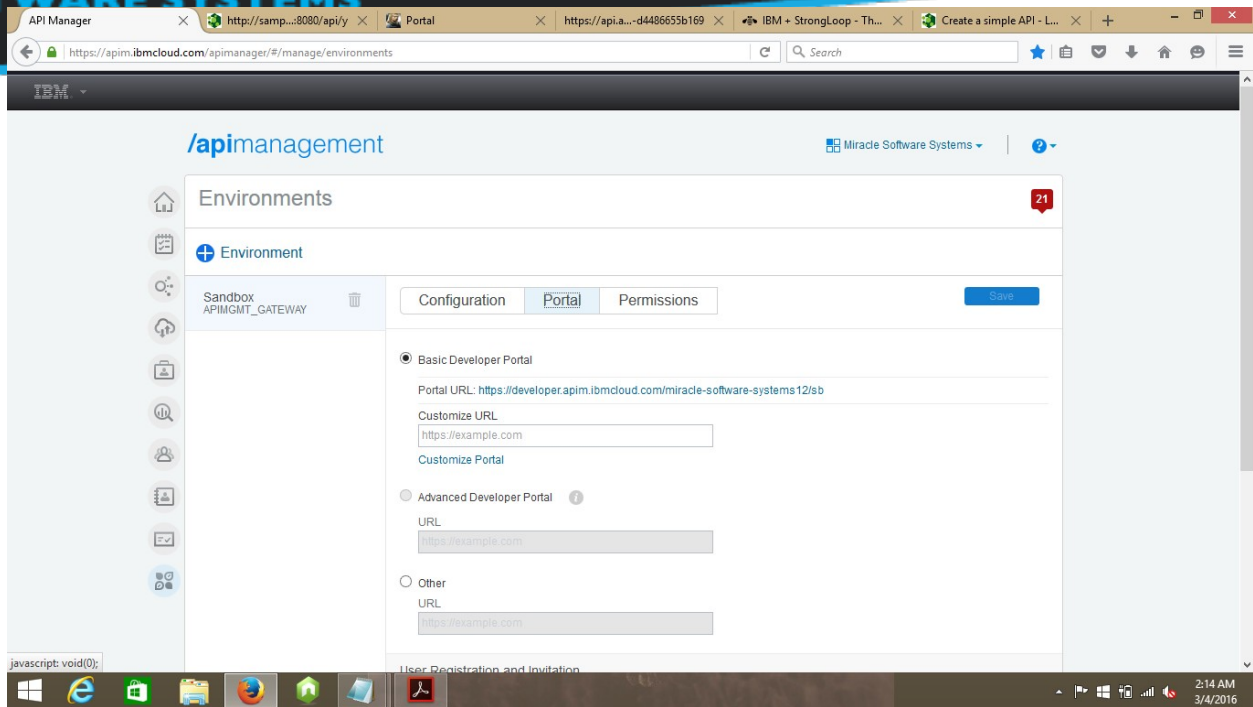
Invoke the operation and check response



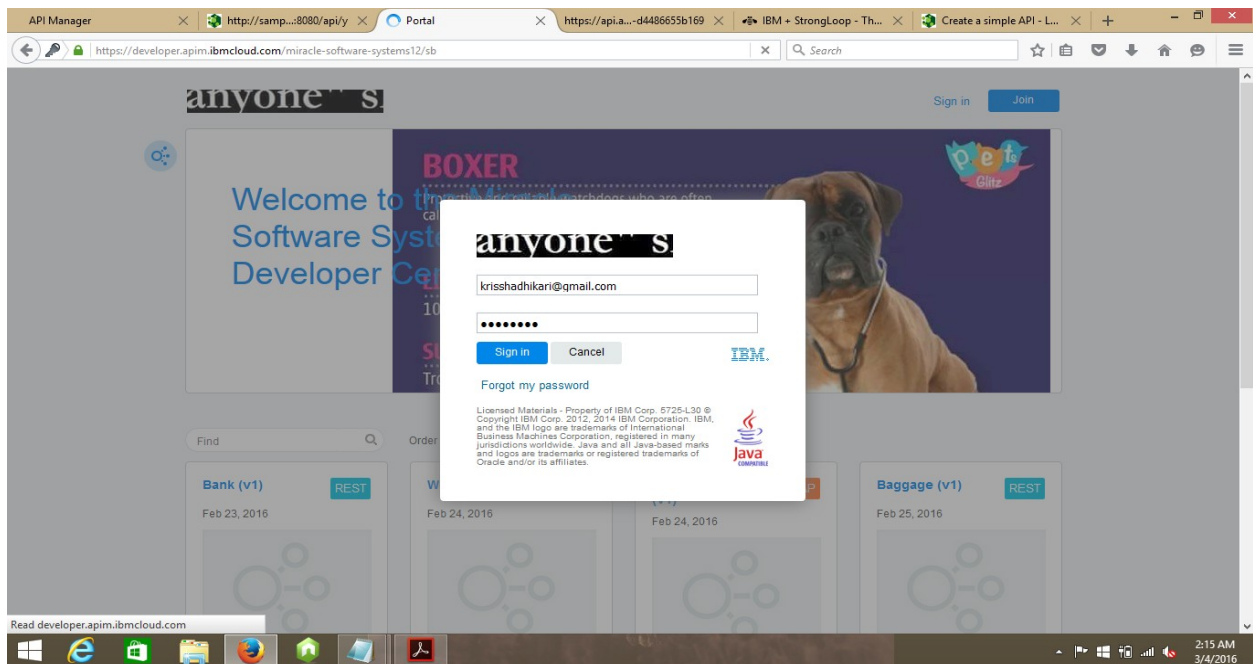
Testing:

Now go to *Environments* □ *Portal*

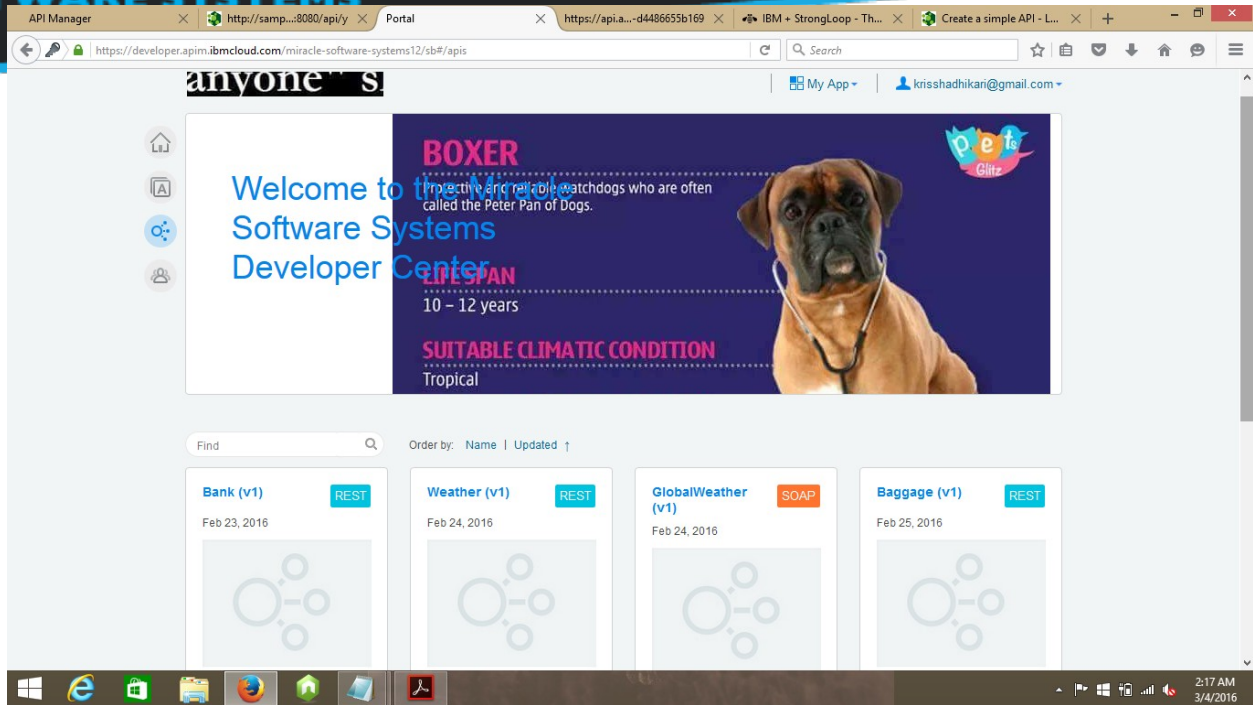
Use the *Portal* URL



"Sign in" to the developer portal

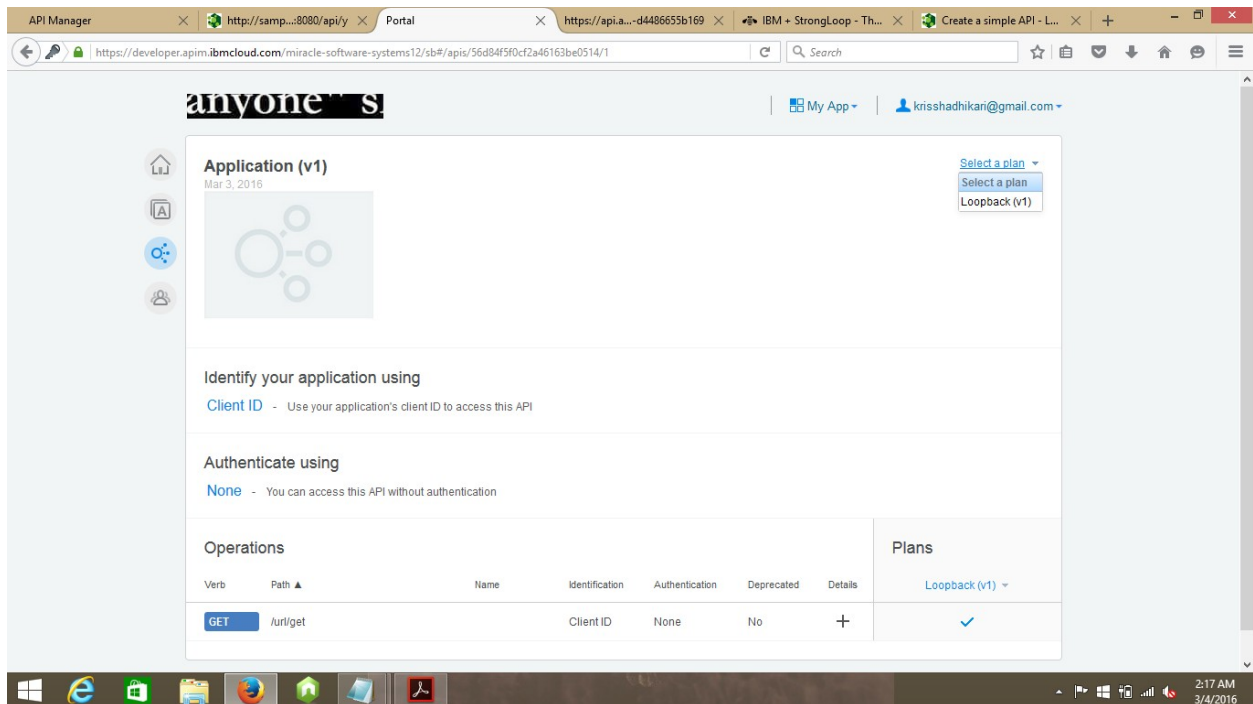


Select the application that you have created

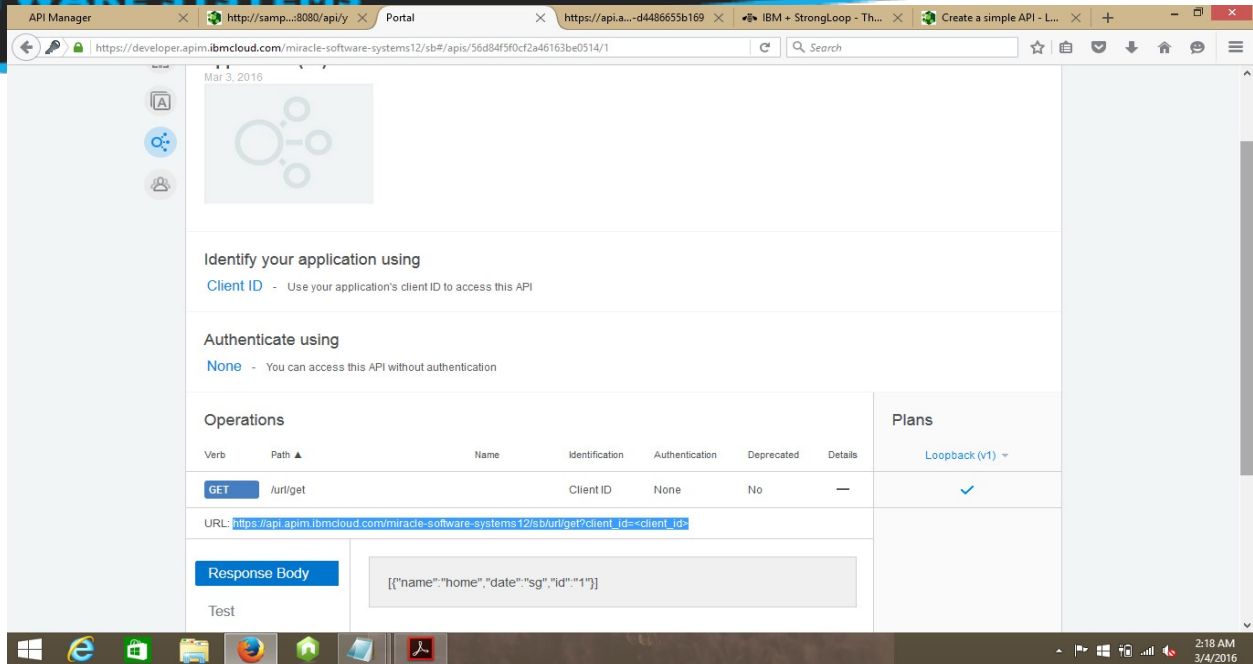


Click on Application icon

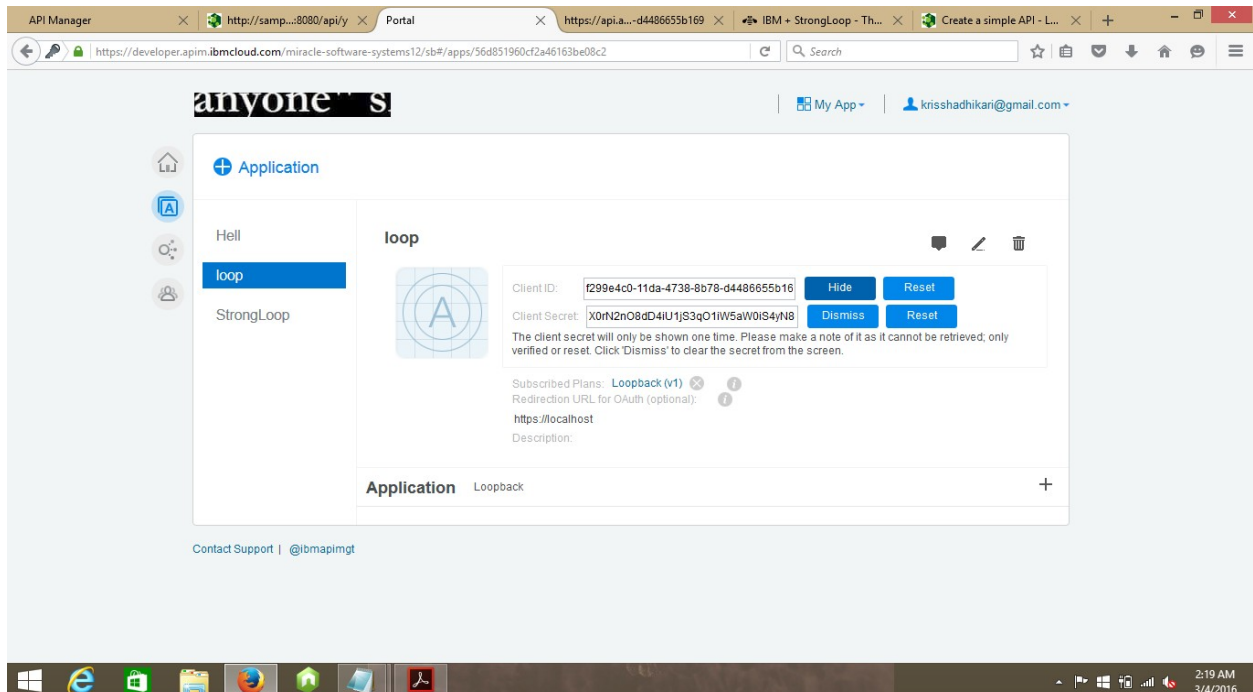
Select your application ☐ Select plan



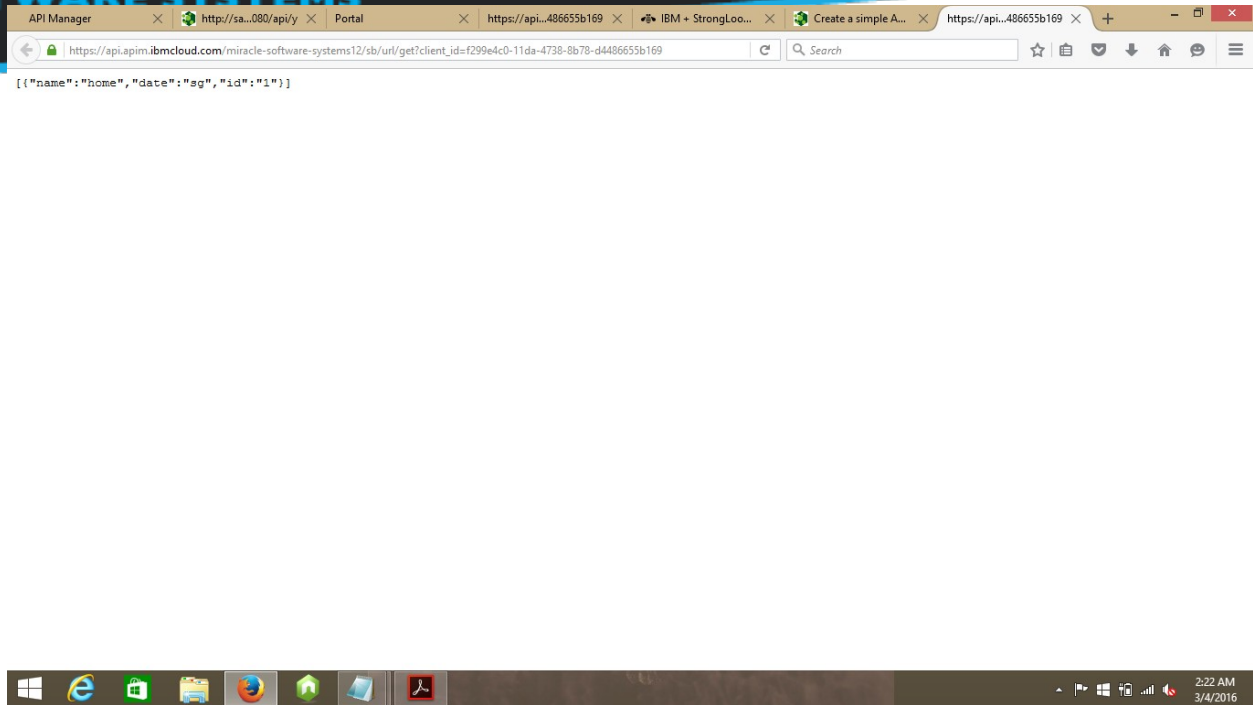
Click on “+” symbol of details and copy URL provided



But for the client Id there, follow the steps below:
Go to the Applications, select the required application.
Click show button of client ID, copy it



Paste the Client ID in the URL and run it.



Reference Links:

Cloud9: <https://c9.io>

StrongLoop:

<https://docs.strongloop.com/display/public/LB/Create+a+simple+API>