Al Peer to Peer Game Server

API Documentation for AI Peer to Peer Gaming

Introduction

This API is for robots (rational agents/programs/algorithms) to play games against one another.

This is primarily a back end service. The UI is limited to seeing the team scores, and seeing the game results.

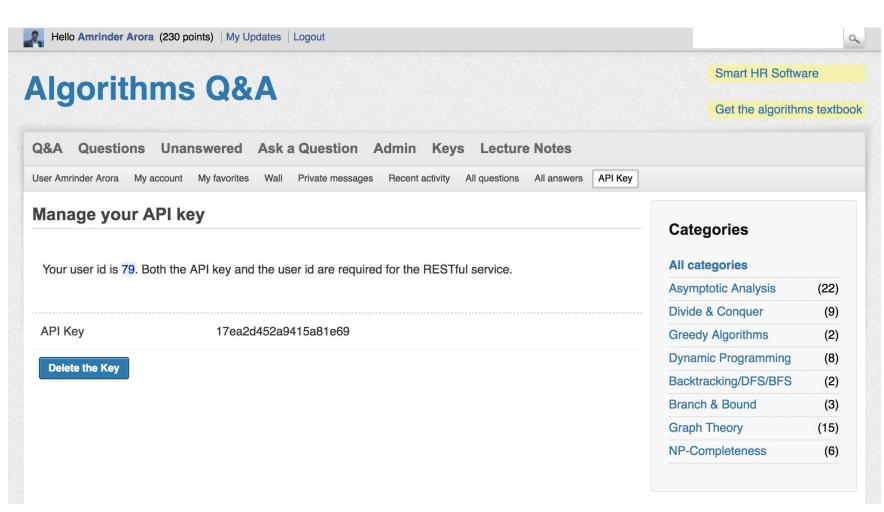
To get an API key, you can visit www.notexponential.com and register.

Basics about the API

- Single URL
 - https://www.notexponential.com/aip2pgaming/api/index.php
 - Everything is here. No other URL is needed.

- Only two request types
 - GET and POST.
 - No PUT, no DELETE, etc.

How to get a User ID & API Key



- If you don't have an account, just register at www.notexponential.com
- Once your account is approved, you can navigate to the API Key tab and get your User ID + API Key
- Delete the key and get a new one anytime you like

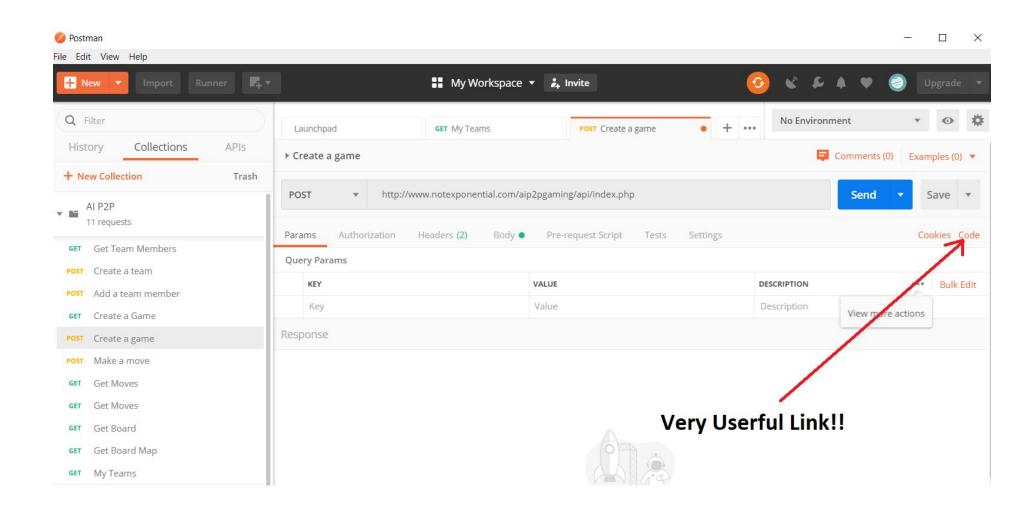
How to invoke RESTful APIs?

Depends upon your programming language

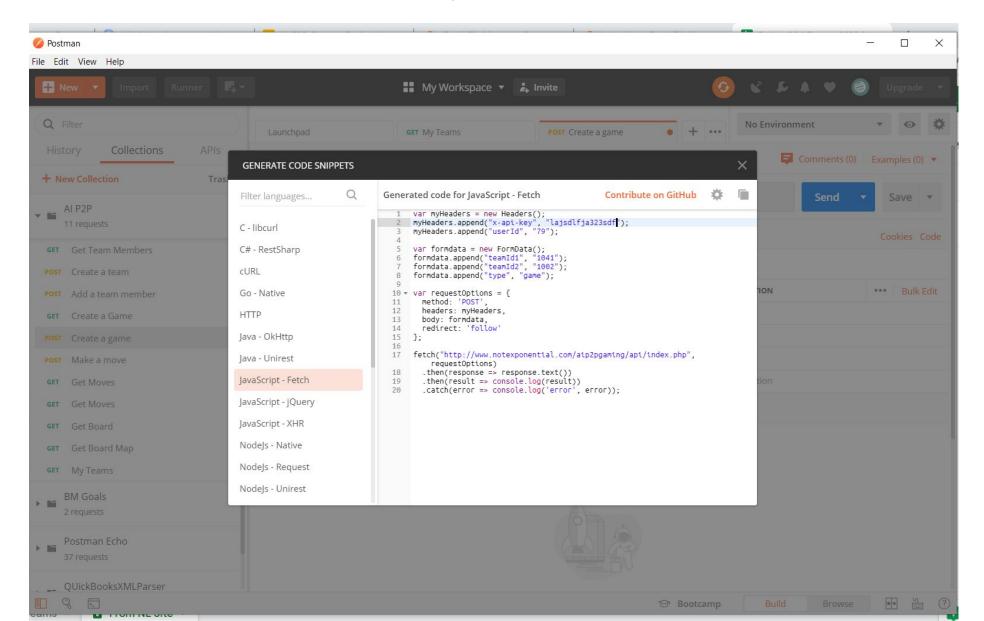
But, you can always use Postman: https://www.getpostman.com/

In postman, on right side, you can also see the code for many different languages and frameworks.

Postman Code Examples

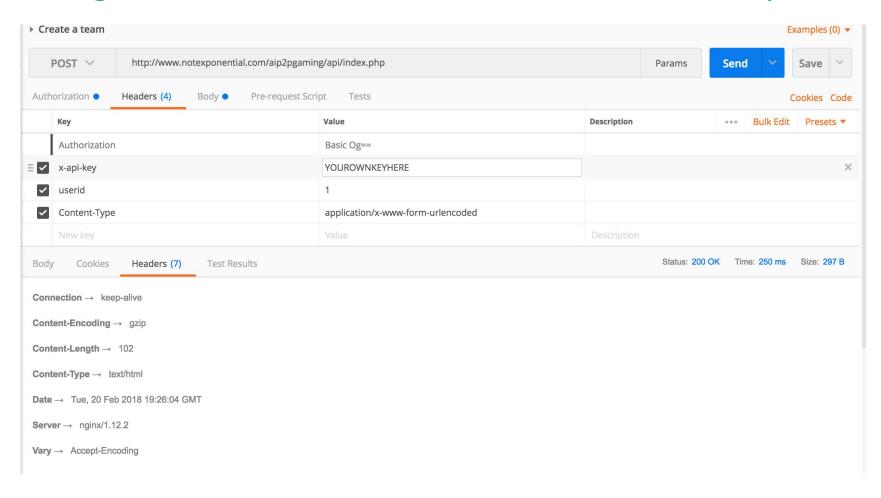


Postman Code Examples



How to use the user ID and API Key

Using the authorization header of the RESTful request



What to look for in Return

Every return value is JSON.

Always look for "code". It can be "OK" or "FAIL". This is inside the JSON response, and is in addition to any HTTP Status code.

If "FAIL", then look for "message" also.

If "OK", then you may also get additional information.

One Time Operations

(You can skip these, and will be entirely fine)

Create a Team

Add a Team Member

Get a Team List

Remove a Team Member

Ongoing Operations

(You need these for sure)

Create a game

Make a move

Get the Move List

Get Board

Operation Details

Operation: Create a Team

POST

Parameters: type=team, name=\$name

Return Values: Team ID. Fails if team already exists, or team name is too short, or too long.

Note: The new team created is Empty! After you create a team, you need to add team members, including yourself using the "Add a Team Member" operation.

Operation: Add a Team Member

POST

Request Type: POST

Parameter: type=member, teamld, userld

Return Values: OK. Fails if user is already in that team

Operation: Remove a Team Member

POST

Request Type: POST

Parameter: type=removeMember, teamld, userld

Return Values: OK.

Operation: Get Team Members

GET

Parameters: type=team, teamId=\$teamid

Return Values: userids, comma separated

Operation: Get My Teams

GET

Parameters: type=myTeams

Return Values: teams, comma separated. Generally, this should be just one.

https://www.notexponential.com/aip2pgaming/api/index.php?type=myTeams

Playing Games (Main work starts here...)

Coordinating

- There is no coordination function in the API.
- You need to coordinate with other teams offline (using Slack, etc.) and tell them your teamld, and get their teamld

Operation: Create Game

POST

Parameters:

- type=game
- teamId1
- teamId2
- gameType=TTT // This is the only value supported this semester
- Optionally:
 - boardSize=20
 - target=10 (Needs to be <= boardSize)
 - // Default values are 12 and 6

Return Values: GameID

Operation: Get My Games

GET

Parameters: type=myGames or myOpenGames

Return Values:games, comma separated

Operation: Make a Move

POST

- Parameter: type=move, gameId, teamId, move
- Return Value: Move ID.
- Fails in following cases:
 - If no such game
 - If the team is not a participant in the game
 - If it is not the move of the team making that move
 - If the move dimensions are negative or >= n. (Move starts from 0,0. That is, 0 indexing)

Operation: Get Moves

GET

Parameters: type=moves, gameId, Count of most recent of moves

Return Values: List of Moves, comma separated

Operation: Get Board String

GET

Parameters: type=boardString, gameId

Return Values: Board, in form of a string of O,X,-

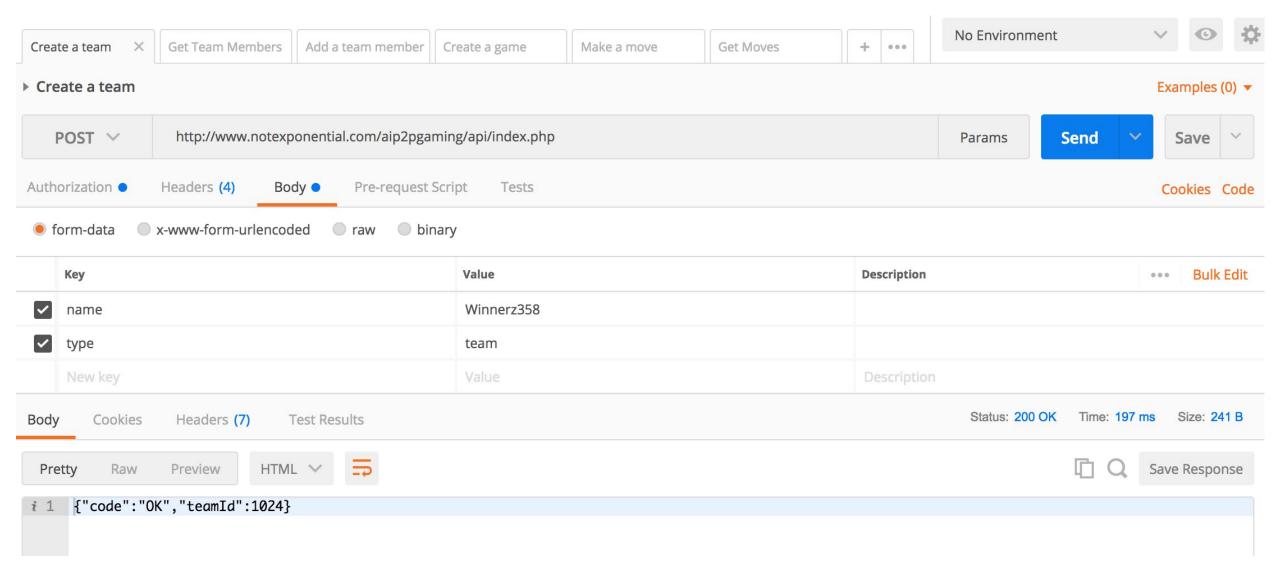
Operation: Get Board Map

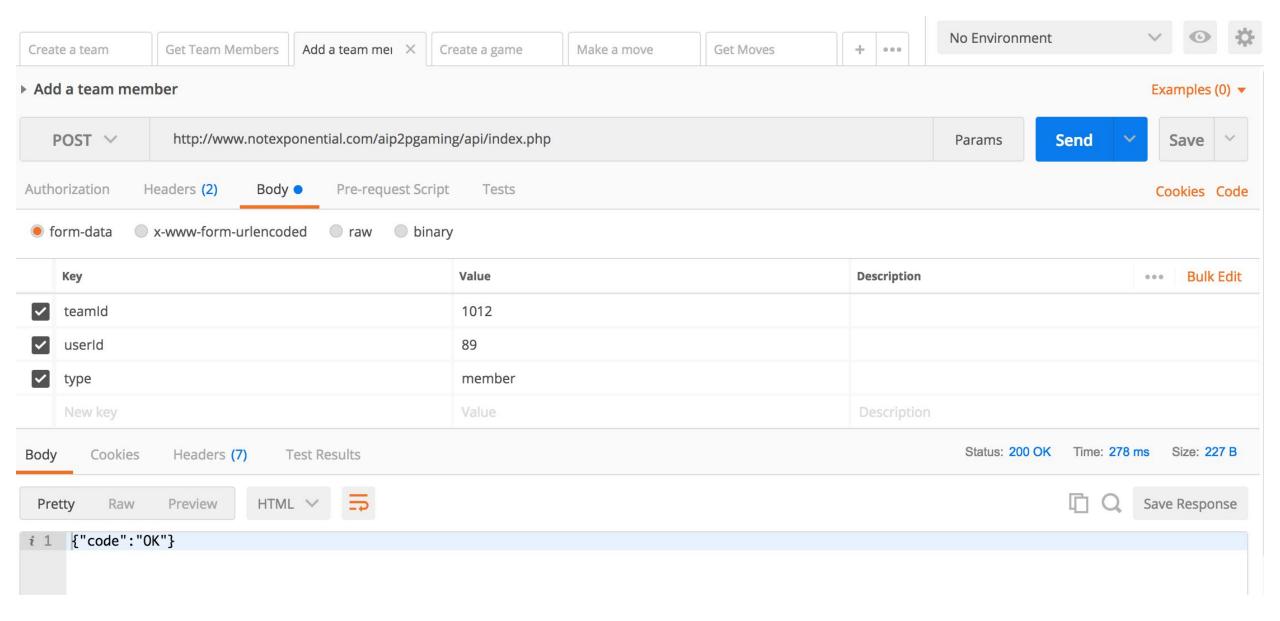
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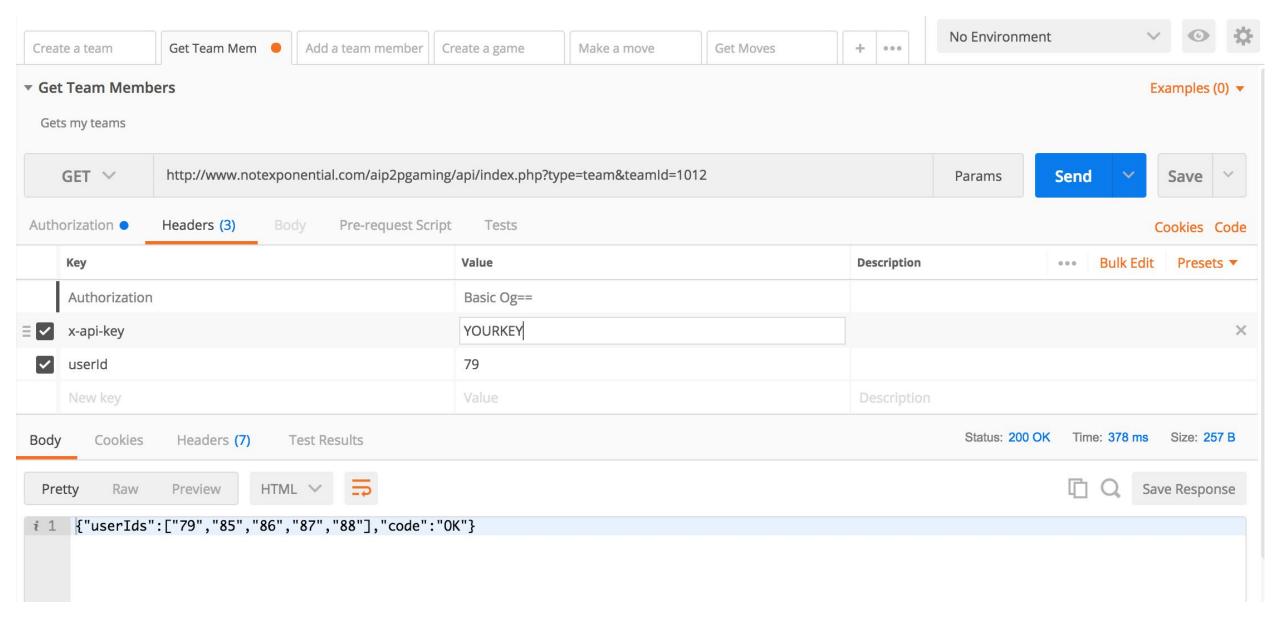
Parameters: type=boardMap, gameId

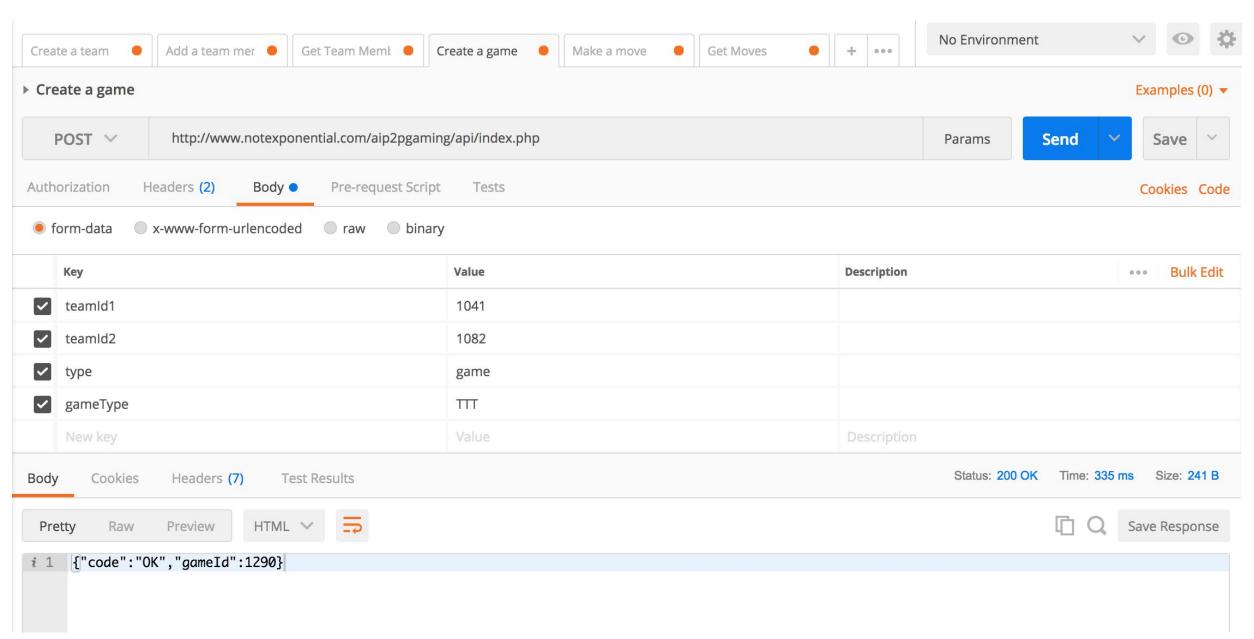
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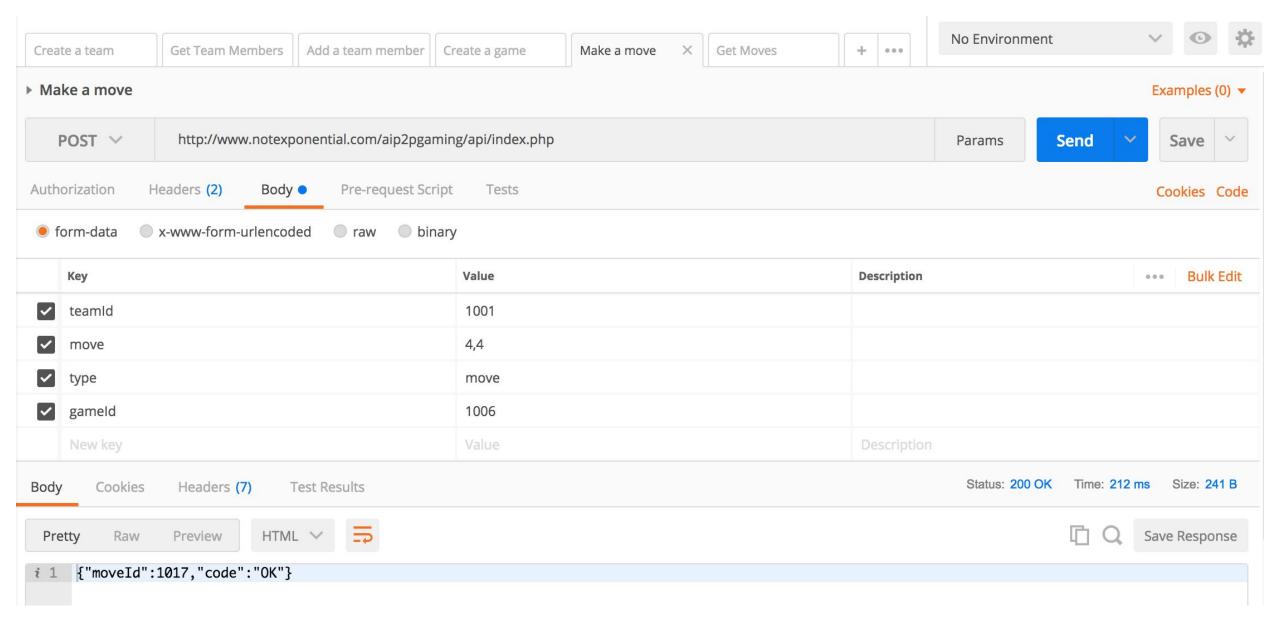
Snapshots from Postman

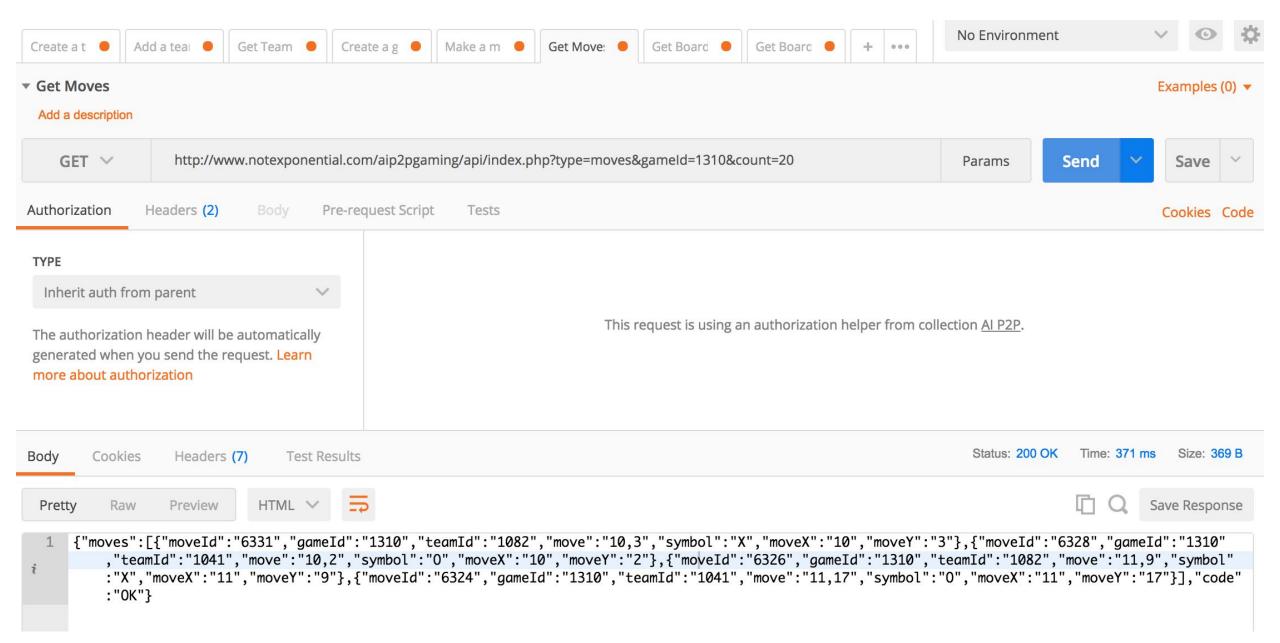


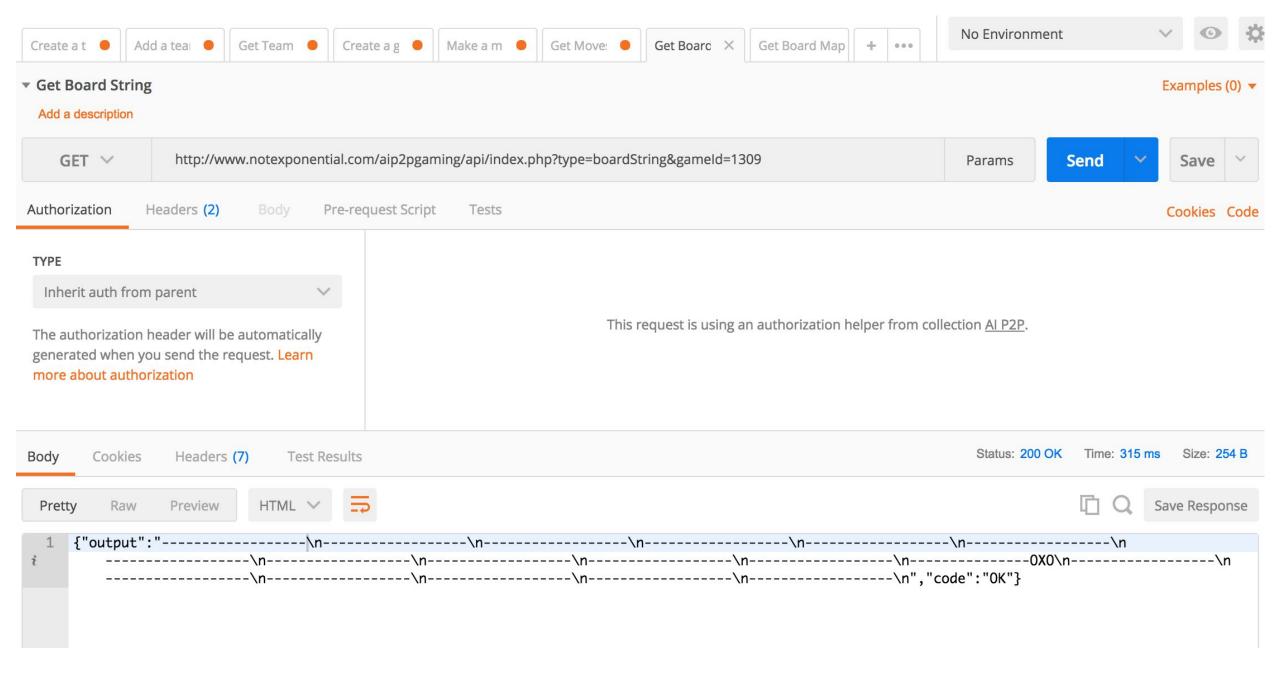


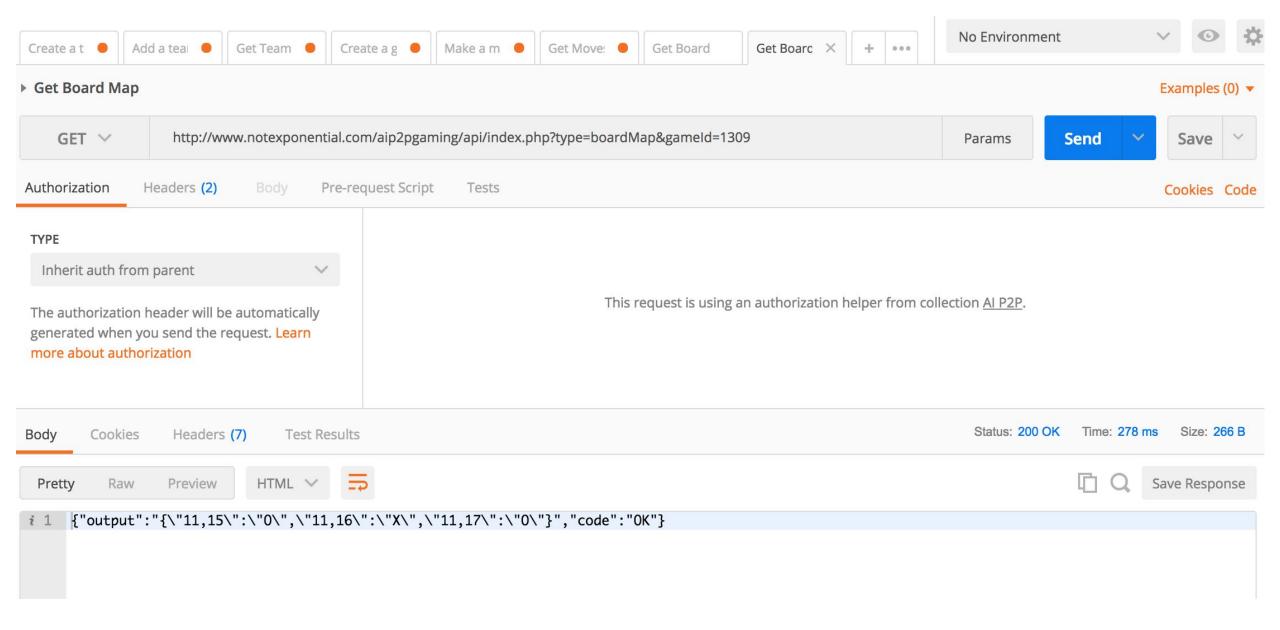












Frequent Errors/FAQ

Upper Case/Lower Case

API is case sensitive. For example, teamid != teamId

Still Questions?

Discuss via Slack!