Using EF Core in an ASP.NET Core API



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Module Overview



Create an ASP.NET Core API project

Add in a controller for the Samurais

Wire up ASP.NET Core to SamuraiContext

Learn a few tricks for debugging and logging

Interact with controller methods to read and write data

Check out new feature designed to help using EF Core with Blazor



Adding the ASP.NET Core Project



Adding a Samurai Controller to the Project



Wiring Up ASP.NET Core with EF Core

Web API Project

- 1. Add references to projects with entities and DbContext
- 2. Build
- 3. Add controller (EF and API actions)
 (This will add EF Core and other packages to csproj)



Wiring up the ASP.NET Core App with the DbContext



Running the Controller to See the Output



Wiring up ASP.NET Core with EF Core

Web API Project

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Startup

4. Add services.DbContext with UseSqlServer to startup Configure()

appsettings.json

- 5. Add connection string config
- 6. Add EF Core logging config

DbContext

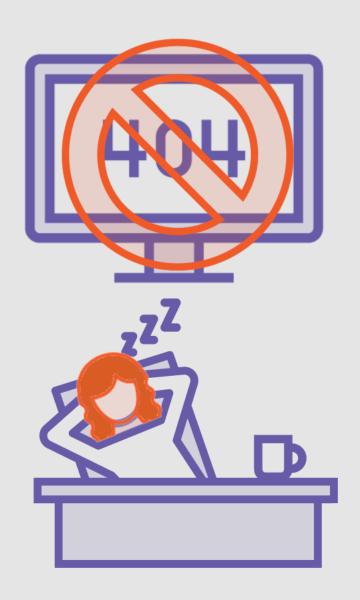
- 7. Add constructor that takes in DbContextOptions
- 8. Remove optionsBuilder from OnConfiguring
- 9. Clean up using statements

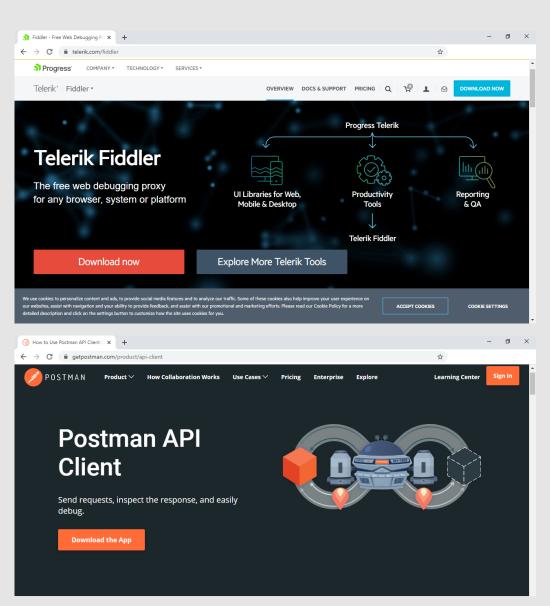


Exploring and Debugging Insert, Update & Delete Controller Methods



How Will We Run the PUT POST & DELETE?







EF Core 5 in Blazor Apps



Why does Blazor have special needs when working using EF Core?



Blazor Uses ASP.NET Core Infrastructure

```
public class Startup
{
    public Startup(IConfiguration configuration)
    {
        Configuration = configuration;
    }

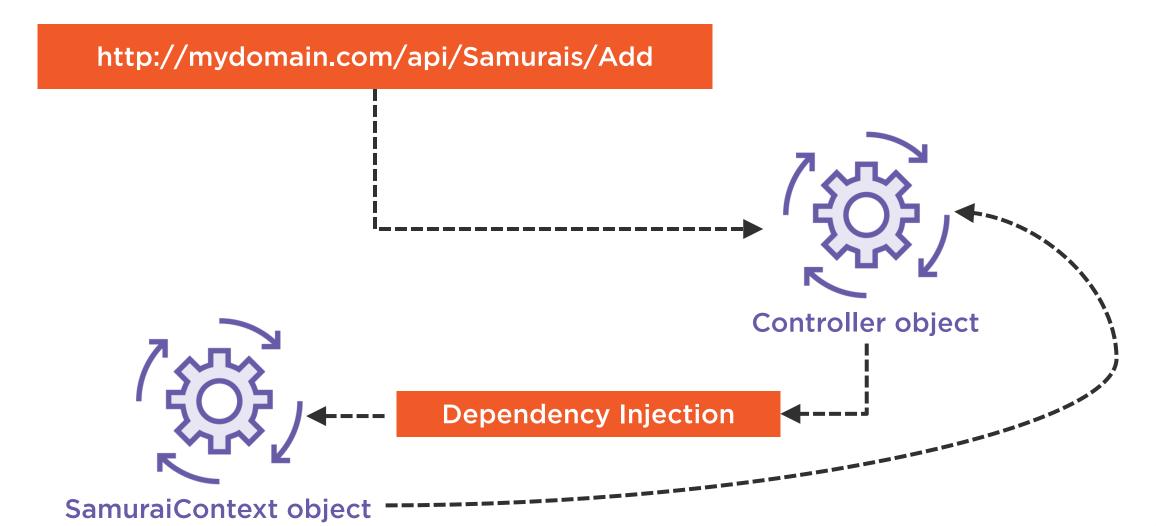
    public IConfiguration Configuration { get; }

    public void ConfigureServices(IServiceCollection services)...

    public void Configure(IApplicationBuilder app, IWebHostEnvironment env)...
}
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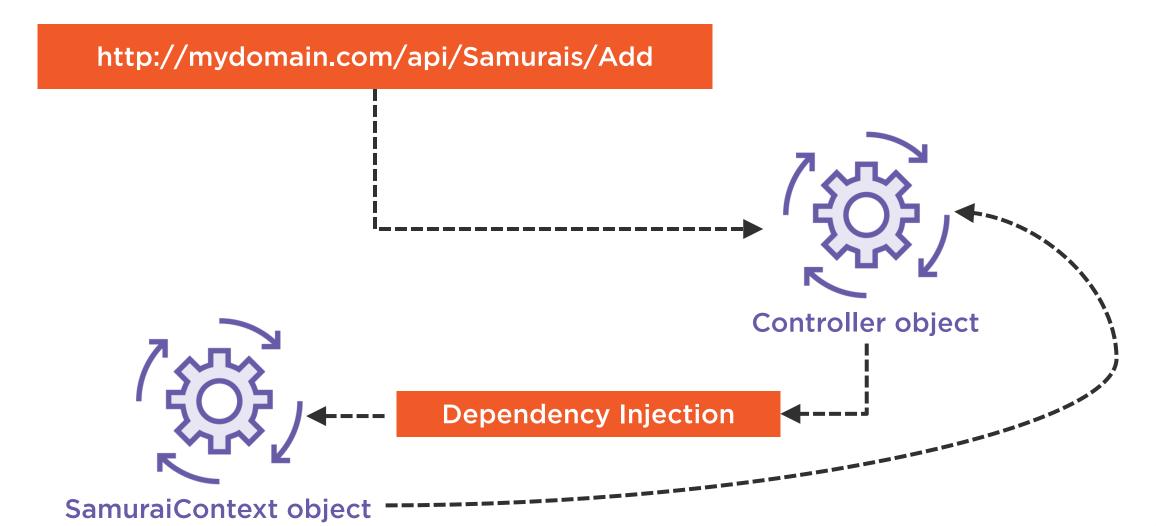


DbContext per Web Request



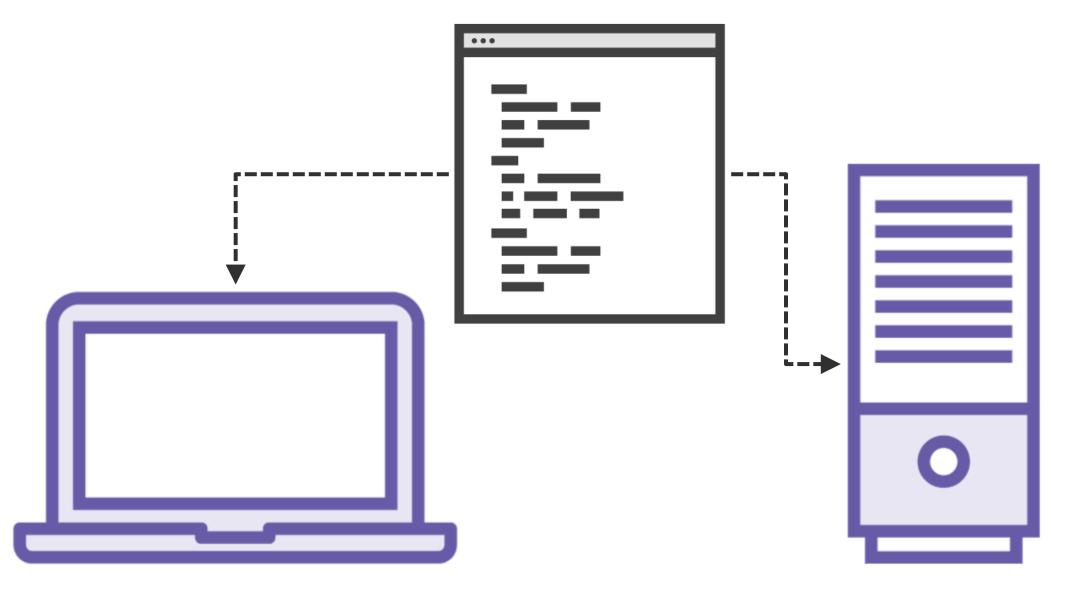


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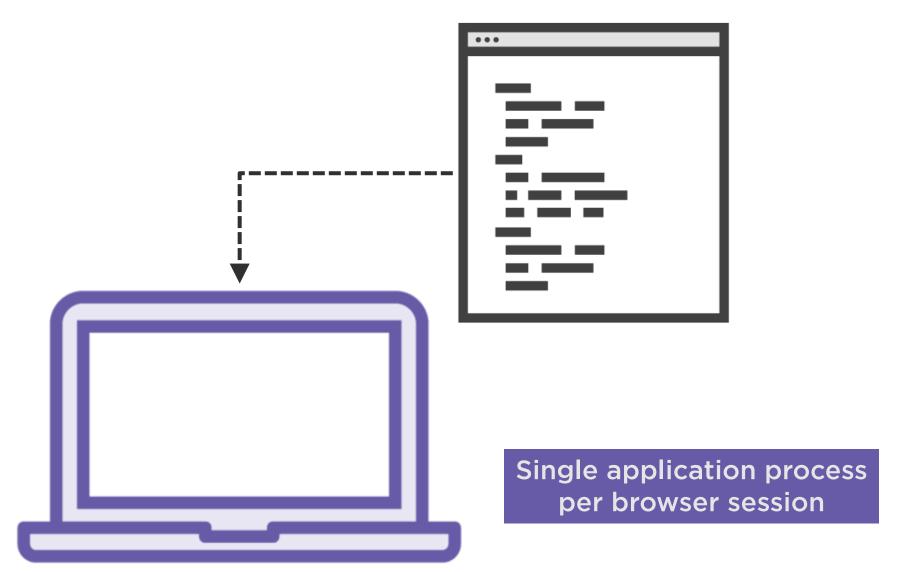


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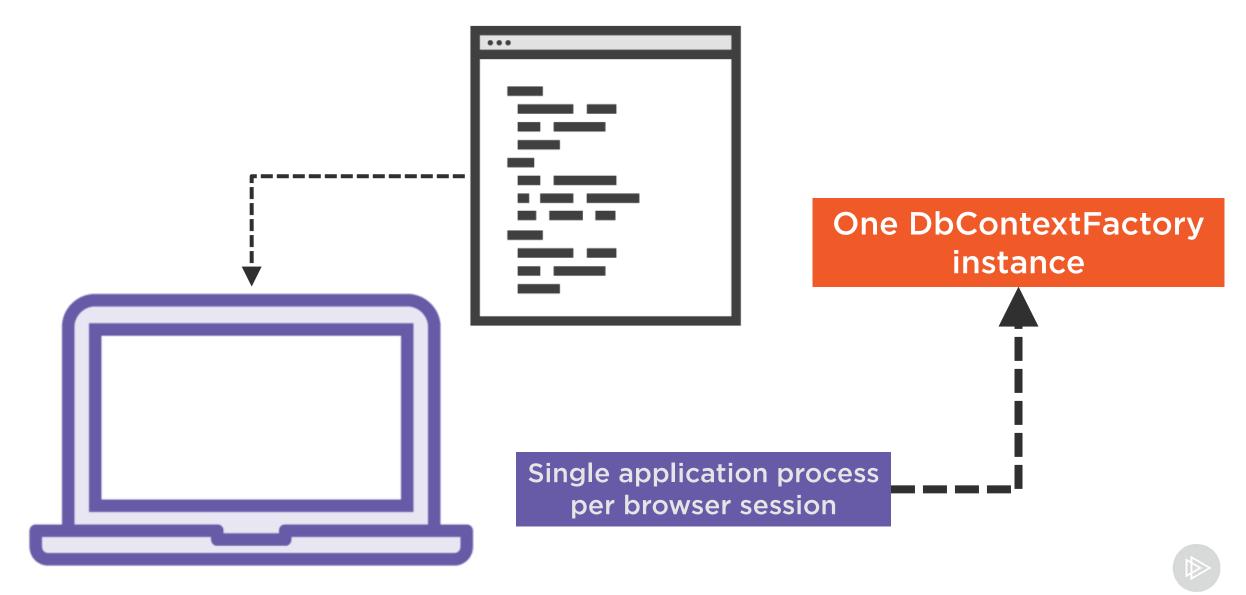
optionsBuilder.AddDbContextFactory()

Meet AddDbContext's Cousin

Takes same details as AddDbContext parameters



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Review

Created a new ASP.NET Core API project

Referenced Data & Domain projects, *built* the solution & created a controller

Modified startup, appsettings & DbContext to integrate API & EF Core

Learned about the logging integration

Learned how to use REST Client to send JSON to HTTP requests

Created a new method that uses our stored procedure and works with related data

Learned about working with Blazor

Up Next!

Testing with the InMemory provider instead of a database



Resources

Entity Framework Core on GitHub github.com/dotnet/efcore EF Core Documentation docs.microsoft.com/ef

Visual Studio Code homepage: code.visualstudio.com

JSON View extension for Google Chrome: bit.ly/jsonviewext

REST Client extension for Visual Studio Code (also find it in VS Code IDE) marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=humao.rest-client

SOLID Principles for C# Developers Course app.pluralsight.com/library/courses/csharp-solid-principles/table-of-contents

Logging in .NET Core and ASP.NET Core
https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/aspnet/core/fundamentals/logging

Blazor Sample App docs.microsoft.com/en-us/aspnet/core/blazor/blazor-server-ef-core



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