

REST WebService



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REST WebServices

- An architectural style based on web-standards and the HTTP protocol.
- First described by Roy Fielding in 2000.
- Fast becoming defacto web services and almost replaced SOAP based web services
- Increasingly important on JEE and other web development
 - Easy to implement, its scalable, high performance,

REST Overview

- Resource Oriented Architecture
 - **Data and functionality are considered resources**
 - Accessed using **Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs)**, typically links on the Web.
- A resource is accessed via a common interface based on the HTTP standard methods.
- **A REST server** provides access to the resources and a REST client which accesses and modify the REST resources.

Lightweight Web Services

- REST is a lightweight alternative to Web Services and RPC.
- REST services is:
 - Platform-independent
 - Language-independent
 - Runs on top of HTTP Protocol
 - Used in the Presence of firewalls too.
- REST does not offer
 - built-in security features
 - encryption
 - session management
- ***These feature can be added by building on top of HTTP:***

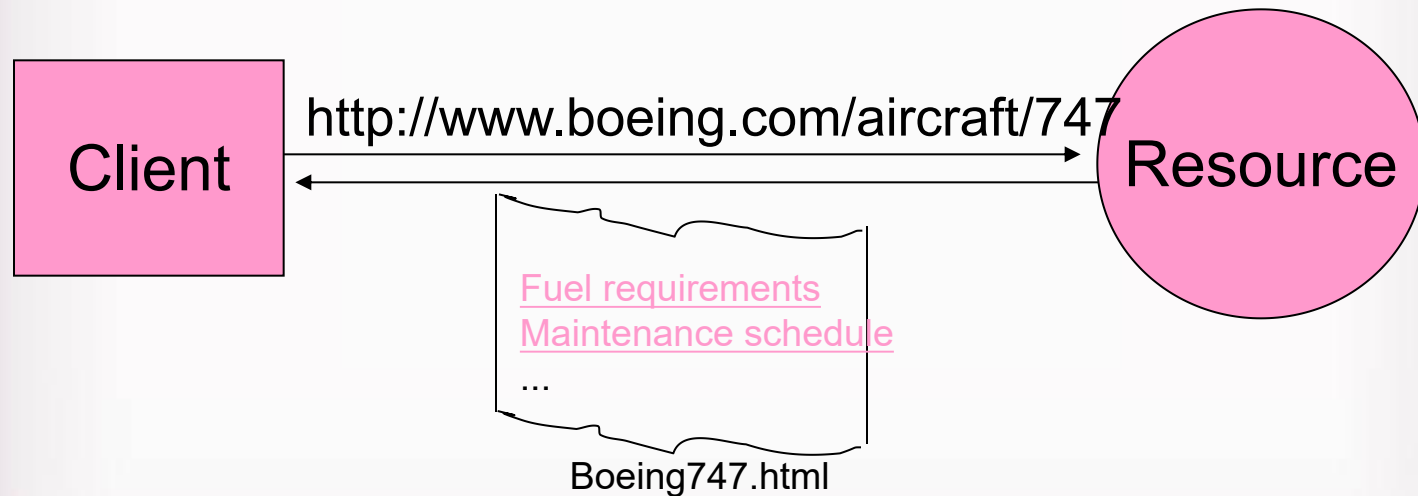
Resource Oriented Architectures

- Involve loose-coupling between client and server, due to:
 - Late binding to resource data
- Successful use revolves around the cache-ability of resource data
 - HTTP cache-control headers are used to specify resource to be cached.
- Best for “**linking and referring**” across organization boundaries
- *Interaction are Stateless , new request should carry all the information required to complete*
- *Must not rely on previous interactions with the same client.*

Web Application & REST Service

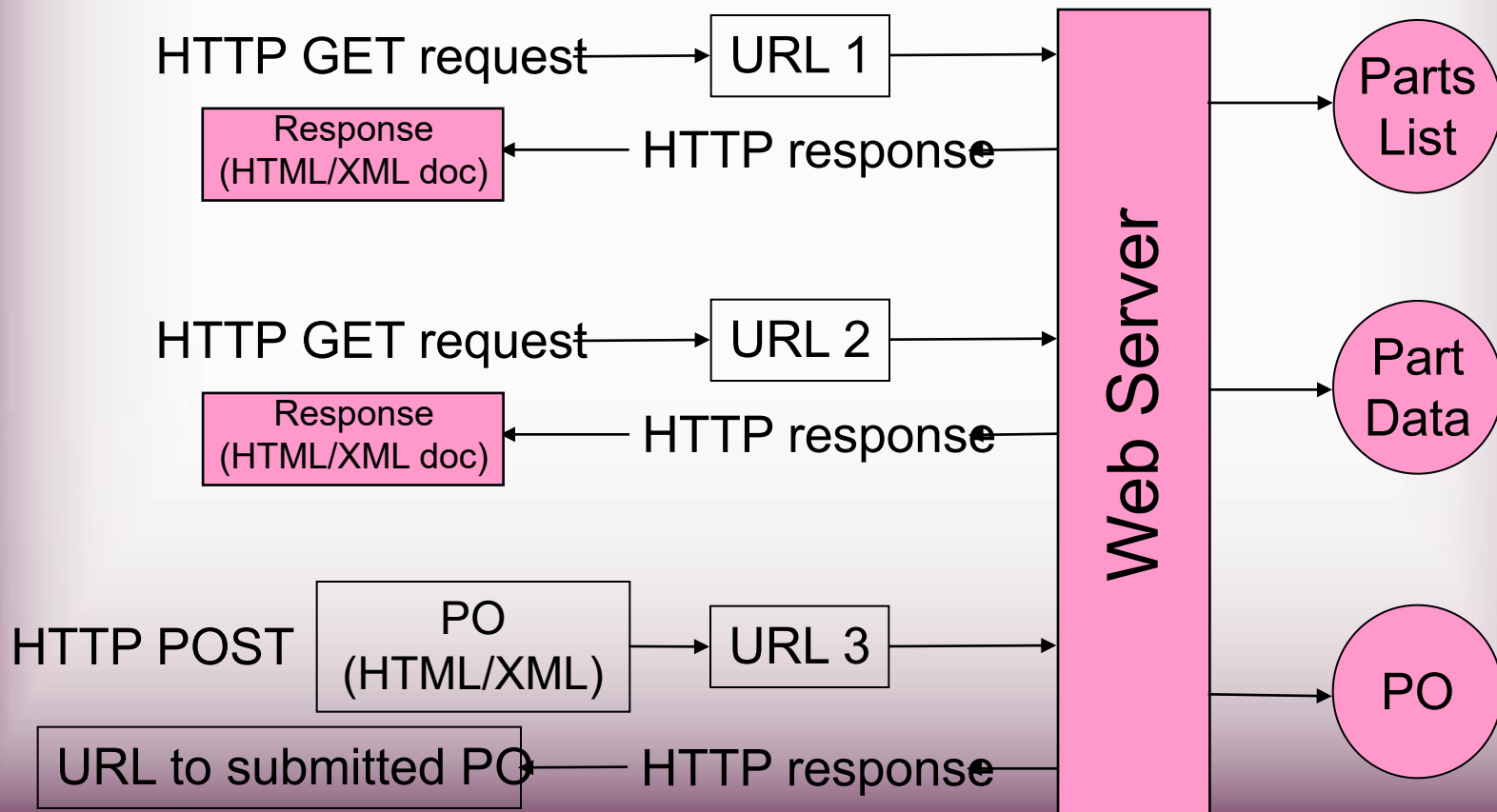
- An API that adheres to the principles of *REST* does not require the client to know anything about the structure of the API.
- Server needs to provide whatever information the client needs to interact with the service.
- The server specifies the location of the resource, and the required fields.
- The browser **doesn't know** in advance **where to submit** the information, and it **doesn't know in advance what to submit**.

"Representational State Transfer?"



- The Client references a Web resource using a URL.
- A **representation** of the resource is returned
- The representation places the client in a new **state**.
- When the client selects a hyperlink it accesses another resource.
- The client application **transfers** state with each resource representation.

The REST way of Designing the Web Services



Examples of REST Web Services

- Popular Real Life Example of REST Web services
- Twitter API
- Amazon.com
- National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD)
- Yahoo Weather Services
- <http://www.thomas-bayer.com/sqlrest/CUSTOMER/>
- <http://www.thomas-bayer.com/sqlrest/CUSTOMER/2>

JAX-RS - Implementation

- To simplify development of RESTful Web services JAX-RS API has been designed.
- **Jersey RESTful Web Services framework** is open source, production quality, framework for developing RESTful Web Services
- Provides it's own API that extend the JAX-RS toolkit with additional features and utilities to further simplify RESTful service and client development.
- Download the Reference Implementation
 - <https://jersey.github.io/download.html>

REST Request Methods

- **GET** - Requests a specific representation of a resource
- **PUT** - Creates or updates a resource with the supplied representation
- **DELETE** - Deletes the specified resource
- **POST** - Submits data to be processed by the identified resource

Root Resource

- *Root resource classes* are POJOs annotated with `@Path`
 - Can also have one method annotated with `@Path`
- The annotation's value is a relative URI path.
- **Resource methods**
 - Methods of a resource class annotated with a resource method designator.
 - Method designator with annotation such as `@GET`, `@PUT`, `@POST`, `@DELETE`

Main Class

- Its Auto Generated bin maven Project

```
public class Main {
```

```
    public static HttpServer startServer() {
```

```
        ResourceConfig rc = new  
        ResourceConfig().packages("com.example.demo.rs_demo");
```

```
        GrizzlyHttpServerFactory.createHttpServer(URI.create(BASE_URI), rc);  
    }
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
```

```
        HttpServer server = startServer();  
        System.in.read();  
        server.stop();  
    }  
}
```

Root Resource

```
import jakarta.ws.rs.GET;  
import jakarta.ws.rs.Path;  
import jakarta.ws.rs.Produces;  
import jakarta.ws.rs.core.MediaType;
```

```
@Path("myresource")  
public class MyResource {
```

```
    @GET  
    @Produces(MediaType.TEXT_PLAIN)  
    public String getIt() {  
        return "Got it!";  
    }  
}
```

Response Builder

- Used to build Response instances that contain metadata instead of or in addition to an entity.
- Obtained via static methods of the Response class,
- public abstract Response **build()**
 - Create a Response instance from the current ResponseBuilder.
 - The builder is reset to a blank state equivalent to calling the ok method.

Send a JSON Response

- **import javax.json.Json;**
- **import javax.json.JsonObject;**

@GET

@Path("/quick")

@Produces(MediaType.*APPLICATION_JSON*)

public String getMessage(){

 JsonObject map =

Json.createObjectBuilder().add("ram",40).build();

return map.toString();

}

@PathParam

- Annotation is used to access Value of the variable on request method as a parameter
- Binds the value of a path segment to a resource method parameter.
- Used to inject values from the URL into a method parameter.
- **getCustomerById(@PathParam("customerId") int id)**
- Its invoked as
- **http://localhost:2020/RestExample/webapi/customer/101**

Multiple @PathParam Annotation

```
@GET
@Path("/{year}/{month}/{day}")
public Response getDate(
    @PathParam("year") int year,
    @PathParam("month") int month,
    @PathParam("day") int day) {

    String date = year + "/" + month + "/" + day;

    return Response.status(200)
        .entity("getDate is called, year/month/day : " + date)
        .build();
}
```

@QueryParam

- *Query parameters* are extracted from the request URI
 - Any java language types may be used as query parameters.
 - Can also use `DefaultValue` annotation to avoid a null pointer exception if no query parameter is passed.

@GET

@Path("login/{zip}")

```
public String login(@QueryParam("zip") String zip) {  
    return "Id is " + id; }  
}
```

```
public String login( @DefaultValue("11111")  
                    @QueryParam("zip") String zip) {  
  
}
```

Difference between queryParams and PathParam

- **@QueryParam**

- is used to access key/value pairs in the query string of the URI (the part after the ?).
- `http://example.com?q=searchterm`,
- use `@QueryParam("q")` to get the value of `q`.

- **@PathParam**

- is used to match a part of the URI as a parameter.
- `http://example.com/books/{bookid}`,
- use `@PathParam("bookid")` to get the id of a book.

@Produces Annotation

- **@Produces(MediaType.TEXT_PLAIN[, more-types])**
 - Used to specify the MIME media types or representations a resource can produce and send back to the client.
 - Can be Applied Both at the Class and Method Level
- **Class level**
 - All the methods in a resource can produce the specified MIME types by default.
- **Method Level**
 - Overrides any @Produces annotations applied at the class level.
- **406 Not Acceptable**
 - Returned when methods matching MIME type is not found in a client request,

Server Response

- A server response in REST is often an XML file; for example,
- **XML**
 - XML is easy to expand (clients should ignore unfamiliar fields) and is type-safe;
- **CSV (comma-separated values)**
 - CSV is more compact;
- **JSON (JavaScript Object Notation).**
 - Easy to parse in JavaScript clients and in other languages, too).
- **HTML**
 - Response is a human-readable document;

The @Consumes Annotation

- **@Consumes(type[, more-types])**
 - used to specify which MIME media types of representations a resource can accept, or consume, from the client.
- **Class level**
 - All the response methods accept the specified MIME types by default.
- **Method level**
 - overrides @Consumes annotations applied at the class level.
- **HTTP 415 (“Unsupported Media Type”) .**
 - Returned when methods can not respond to the requested MIME type

Java Object as JSON Response

@GET

@Path("{customerId}")

@Produces(MediaType.**APPLICATION_JSON**)

public Response getCustomerById(@PathParam("customerId") int id) {

Customer cust=null;

try {

cust = *dao.findById(id)*;

} catch (SQLException e) {

e.printStackTrace();

}

return Response.status(200).entity(cust).build();

}

Post Request with JSON

@POST

@Consumes(MediaType.**APPLICATION_JSON**)

@Produces(MediaType.**APPLICATION_JSON**)

public Response addCustomer(Customer cust){

int rowAdded=0;

Customer addedCustomer = **null**;

try {

rowAdded = *dao.add(cust);*

} catch (SQLException e) {

e.printStackTrace();

}

if(rowAdded ==1) {

addedCustomer = cust;

}

return Response.status(201).entity(addedCustomer).build();

}

Delete Request

```
@DELETE
@Consumes(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON)
public Response removeCustomer(Customer cust){

    int rowDeleted=0;
    Customer deletedCustomer = null;

    try {
        rowDeleted =dao.remove(cust.getCustomerId());
    } catch (SQLException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }

    if(rowDeleted ==1) {
        deletedCustomer = cust;
    }

    return Response.status(201).entity(deletedCustomer).build();
}
```

Put Method

```
@Path("updateItem/")
```

```
@PUT
```

```
public String update(@QueryParam("itemCode") int itemCode ){
```

```
    System.out.println("item Code"+itemCode);
```

```
    String message="One Item with Id  
    "+"value"+itemCode+"updated";
```

```
    return message;
```

```
}
```