

## **APIs**

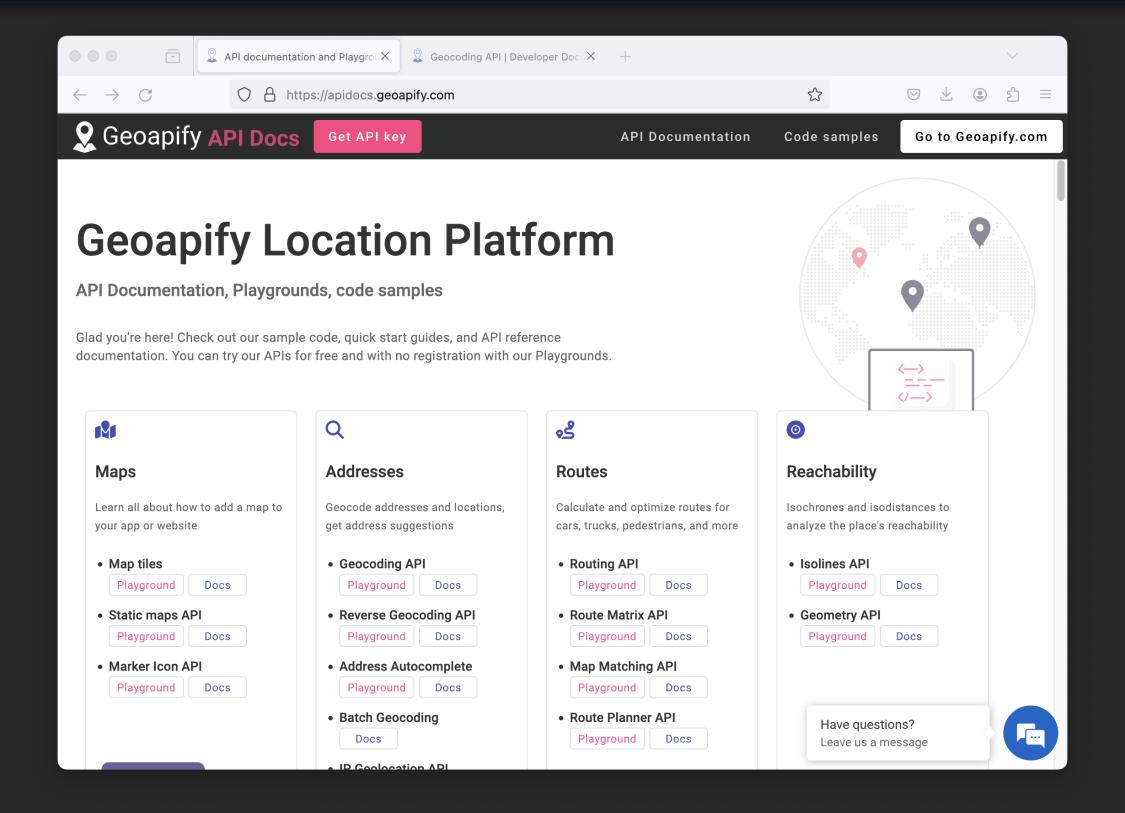
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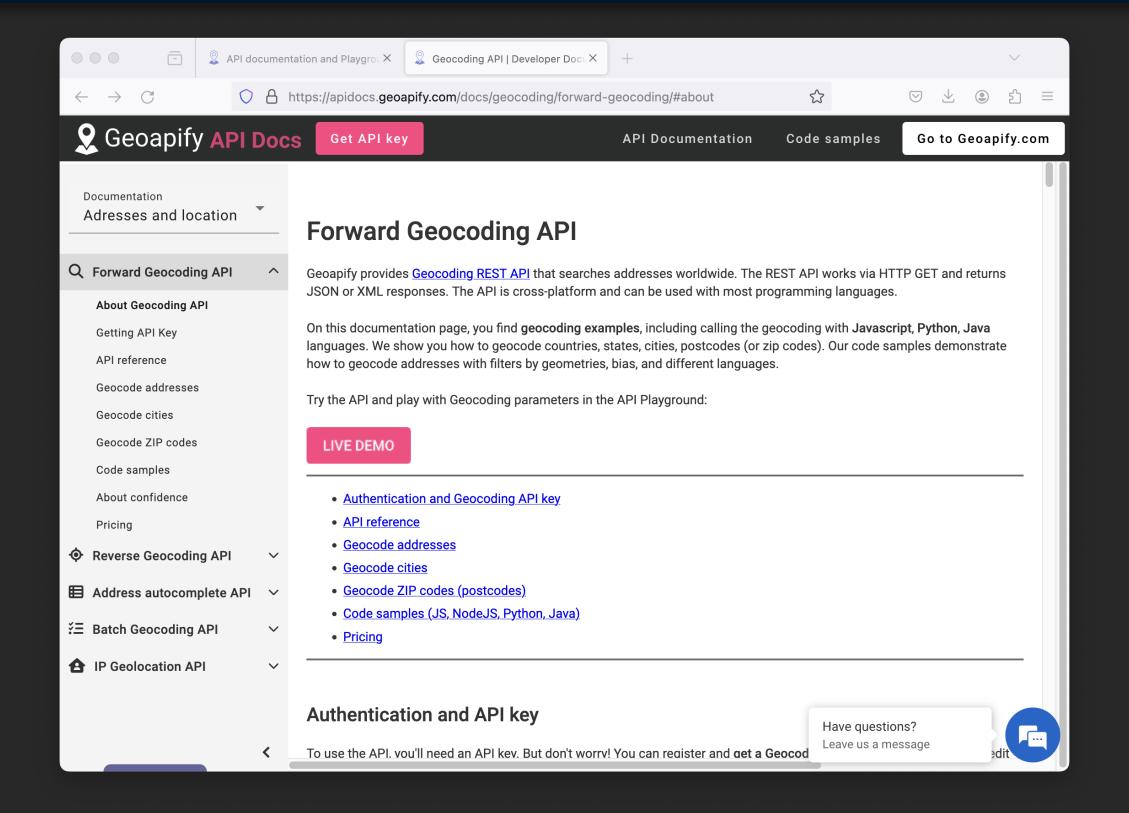
### There Are Many APIs

- There are organizations that put up public APIs and sell access to those APIs
- We will explore a geocoding API based on the OpenStreetMap data
- You need an account to access this API
- There is a free level of requests
- You pay above that rate of usage

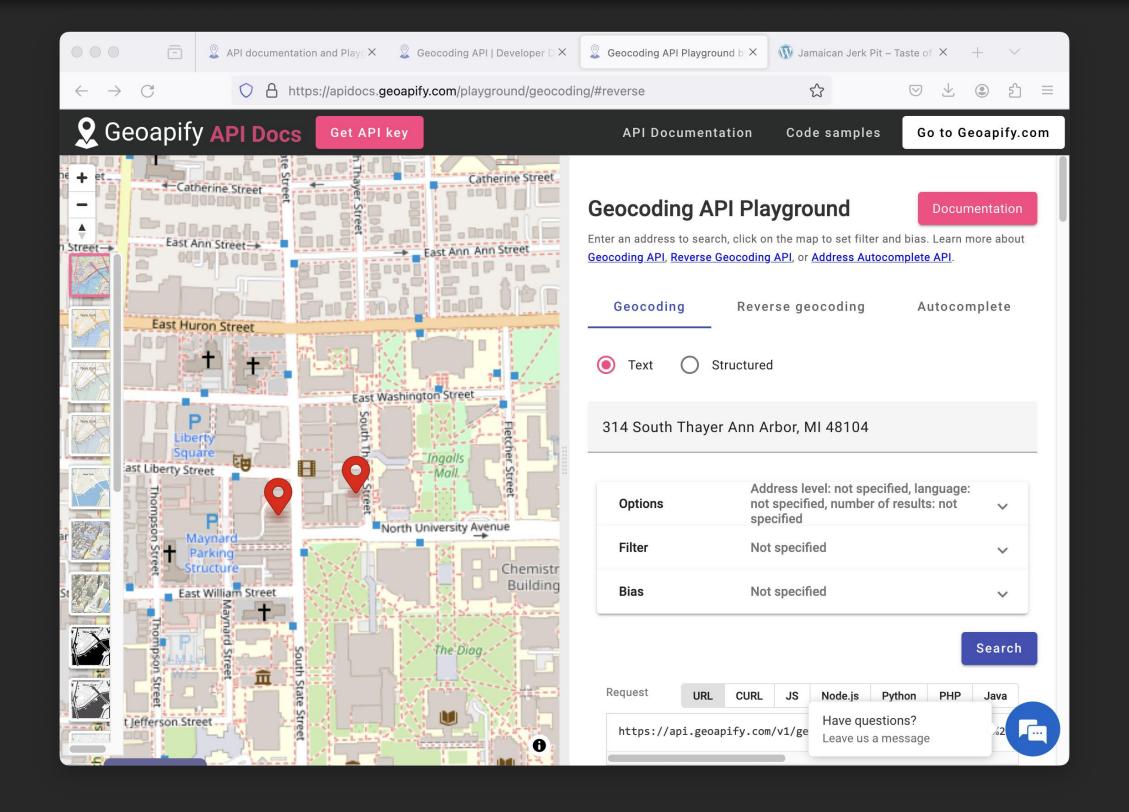
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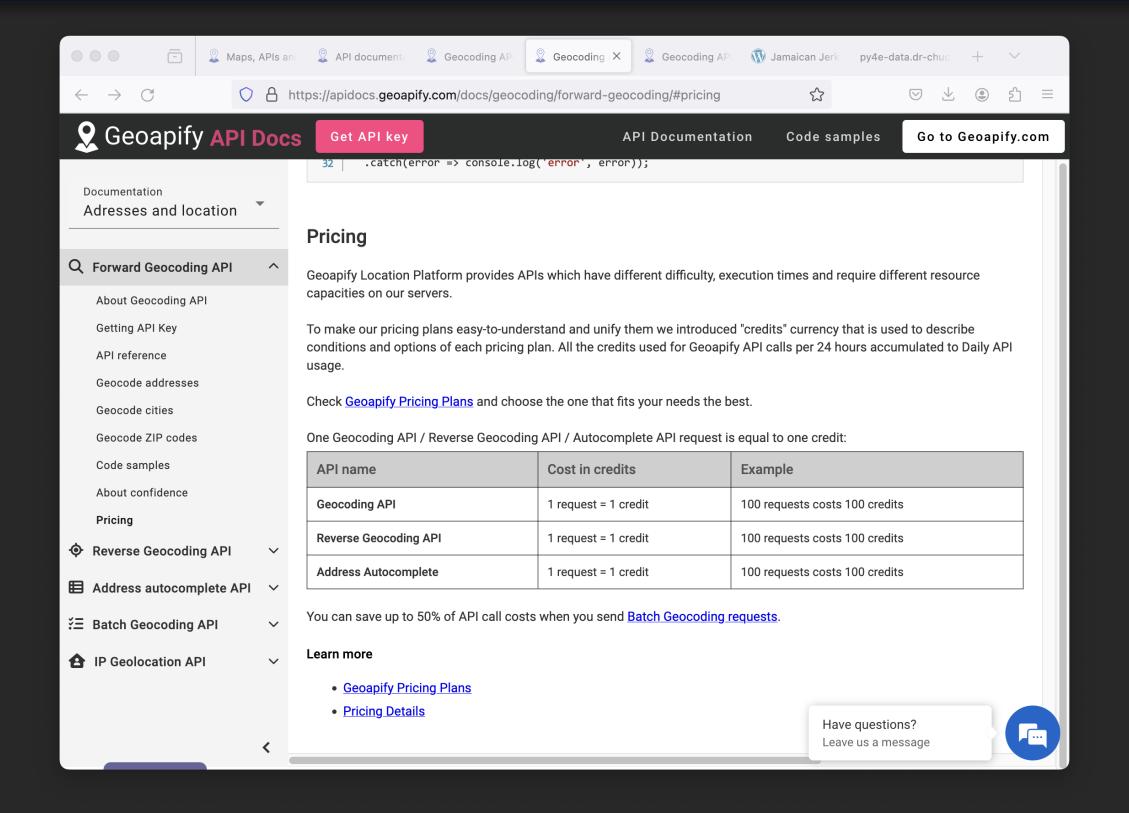




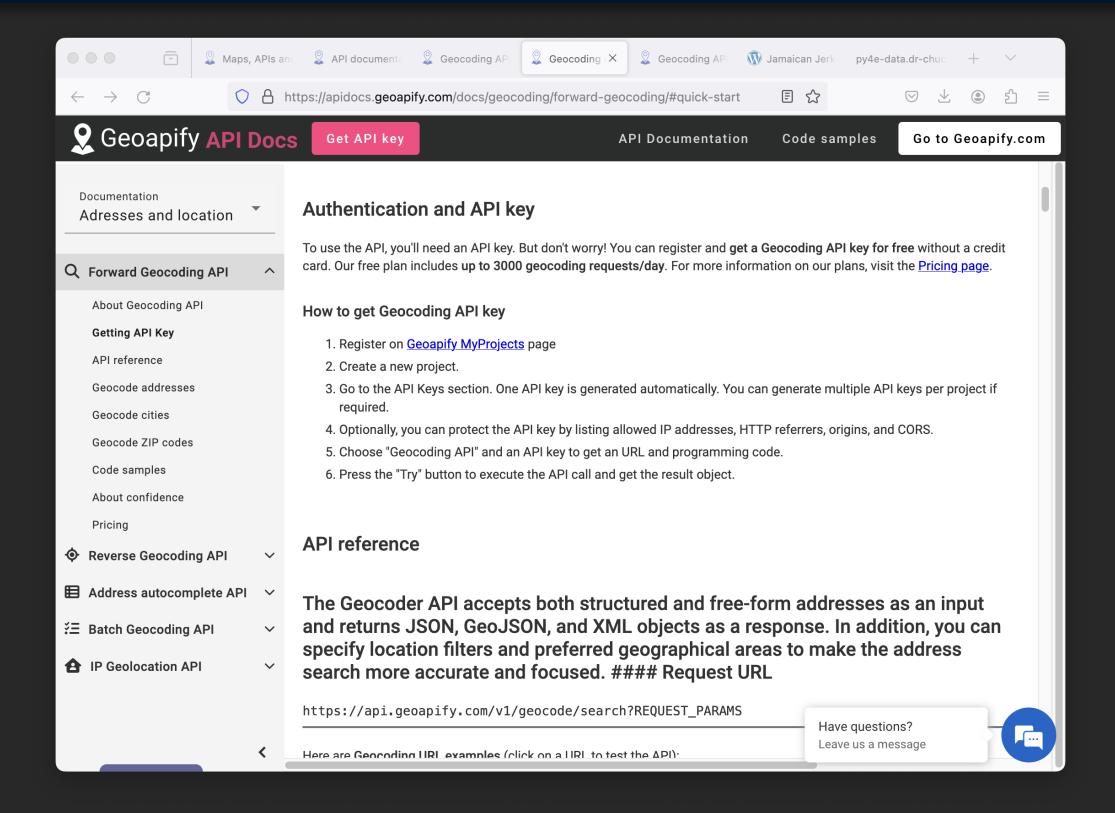














### An API Proxy

- To avoid making you get an account, I have a well-hidden web server that acts as a proxy for the Geoapify data
- This proxy does not require a password but it does have rate limits and is heavily cached using an edge-caching service for performance





```
http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/opengeo?q=Ann+Arbor%2C+MI
"type": "FeatureCollection",
"features": [
  "type": "Feature",
  "properties": {
   "datasource": {
    "sourcename": "openstreetmap",
    "attribution": "© OpenStreetMap contributors",
    "license": "Open Database License",
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   "state": "Michigan",
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   "lon": -83.7312291,
   "lat": 42.2681569,
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   "result_type": "city",
   "formatted": "Ann Arbor, MI, United States of America",
```

Note, for this course, we operate through a proxy of the geoapi data to avoid rate limitation and authentication.

opengeo.py



```
import urllib.request, urllib.parse
import http, json, ssl
serviceurl = 'https://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/opengeo?'
while True:
    address = input('Enter location: ')
    if len(address) < 1: break</pre>
    address = address.strip()
    parms = dict()
    parms['q'] = address
    url = serviceurl + urllib.parse.urlencode(parms)
    print('Retrieving', url)
    uh = urllib.request.urlopen(url, context=ctx)
    data = uh.read().decode()
    print('Retrieved', len(data), 'characters', data[:20].replace('\n', ' '))
    js = json.loads(data)
    lat = js['features'][0]['properties']['lat']
    lon = js['features'][0]['properties']['lon']
    print('lat', lat, 'lon', lon)
    location = js['features'][0]['properties']['formatted']
    print(location)
```

Enter location: Ann Arbor, MI
Retrieving https://py4e-data.
dr-chuck.net/opengeo?q=Ann+Arbor%2C+MI
Retrieved 1319 characters {"type":"FeatureColl
lat 42.2681569 lon -83.7312291
Ann Arbor, MI, United States of America

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# Summary

- Service Oriented Architecture allows an application to be broken into parts and distributed across a network
- An Application Program Interface (API) is a contract for interaction
- Web Services provide infrastructure for applications cooperating (an API) over a network - SOAP and REST are two styles of web services
- XML and JSON are serialization formats





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