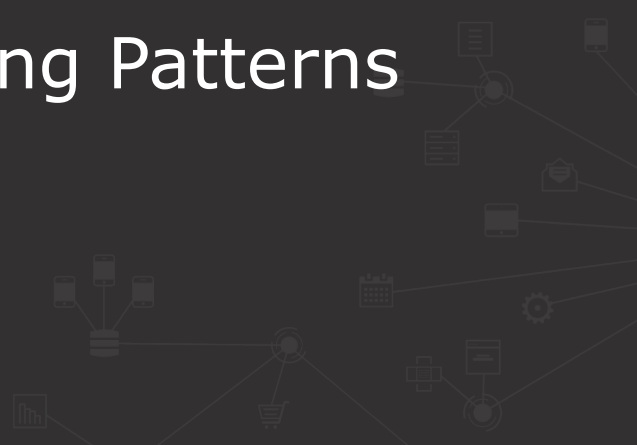




Module 9: Reusing Patterns



Goal



```

1  %%RAML 1.0 ResourceType
2  post?:
3      description: Add a new <<resourcePathName | !singularize>>
4      displayName: Add new <<resourcePathName | !singularize>>
5      body:
6          type: <<resourcePathName | !singularize>>
7      responses:
          30
          31      description: Retrieve a list of customers
          32      is:
          33          - cacheable
          34          - hasAcceptHeader:
          35              customErrorDataType: CustomErrorMessage
          36      responses:
          37          200:

```

At the end of this module, you should be able to



- Create and reference resource types patterns for reusability
- Use traits to modularize methods

Using resource types



Introducing resource types



- Use resource types to modularize common method characteristics in resources
- Multiple resource methods can form a resourceType

```

/accounts:
  post:
    description: Add a new account
    body:
      application/json:
        type: Account
        example: !include examples/AccountExample.json
/customers:
  post:
    description: Add a new customer
    body:
      application/json:
        type: Customer
        example: !include examples/CustomerExample.json
  
```



Collection resource
post method
containing similar
characteristics

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Walkthrough 9-1: Define and use a resource type for resources that perform operations on a collection



- Define a collection resource type fragment
- Use a mapping to pass parameter values to the resource type
- Reference the resource type in the RAML API definition

```

20  /customers:
21    type:
22      collection:
23        customErrorDataType: CustomErrorMessage
24    post:
25    get:
26      description: Retrieve a list of customers
95  /accounts:
96    type:
97      collection:
98        customErrorDataType: CustomErrorMessage
99    post:
100  /{account_id}:
  
```

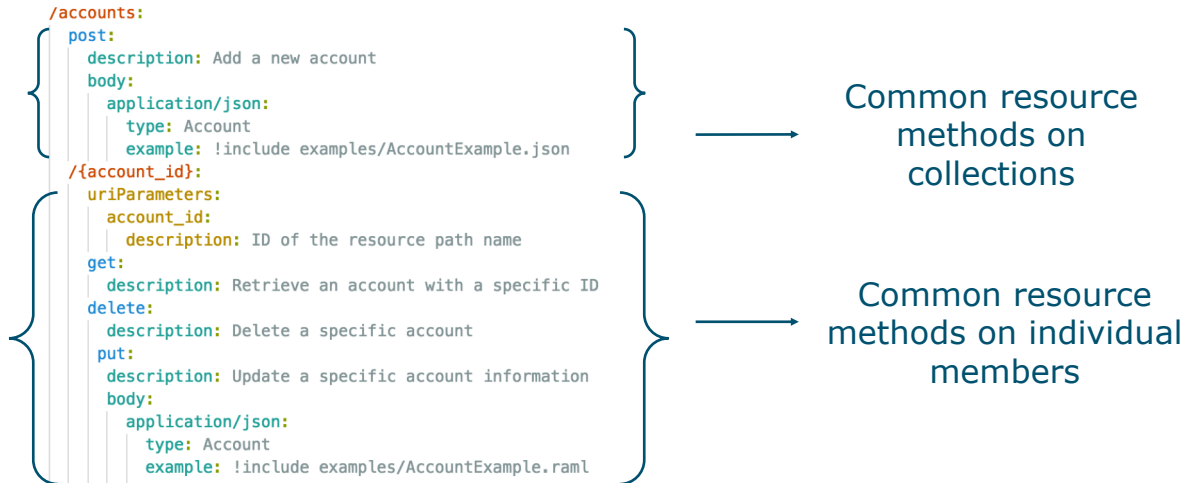


Reference to
resource type
named:
collection

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Member resource methods have different characteristics compared to collection resources



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Walkthrough 9-2: Define and use a resource type for resources that perform operations on a member



- Define a member resource type fragment
- Use mappings to pass parameter values to the resource type
- Reference the resource type in the RAML API definition

```

59   /{customer_id}:
60     type:
61       member:
62         exampleValue: !include examples/CustomerExample.raml
63         customErrorDataType: CustomErrorMessage
64     get:
65     patch:
66     delete:
82   /{account_id}:
83     type:
84       member:
85         exampleValue: !include examples/AccountExample.raml
86         customErrorDataType: CustomErrorMessage
87     get:
88     put:
89     delete:
  
```

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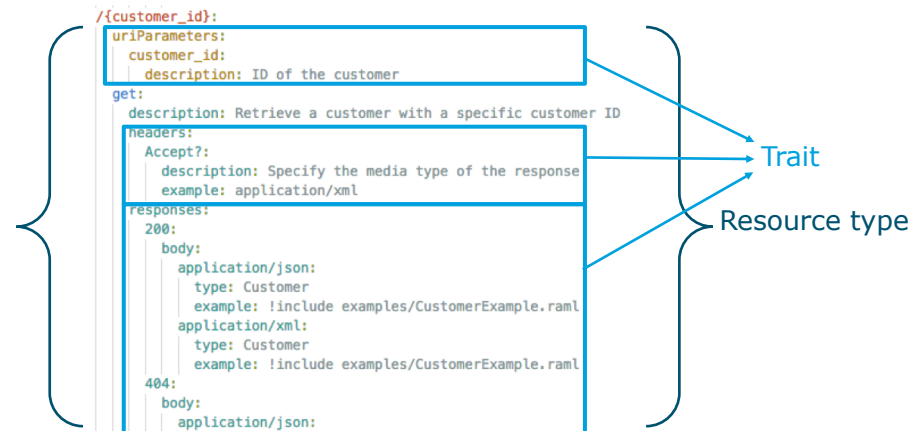
Using traits



Introducing traits



- Smallest reusable component that can define common characteristics across resource methods and resources
 - They can be a part of the resource (query or URI parameters), method or the resource type that the method belongs to



Walkthrough 9-4: Define and use various traits for resources and methods



- Consume a cacheable trait from Anypoint Exchange
- Define a flexible content type trait to be applied to the resource method with an Accept header
- Refactor the resource methods to use these traits

```

30  get:
31    description: Retrieve a list of customers
32    is:
33      - cacheable
34      - hasAcceptHeader:
35          customErrorDataType: CustomErrorMessage
36    responses:
37      200:

```

/customers : get Try it

Traits: cacheable, hasAcceptHeader
Retrieve a list of customers

Request

GET https://mocksvc.mulesoft.com/mocks/ed87b212-aa47-410b-9e19-56f864b5bf09/mocks/5c81644c-33c9-435d-96a7-a811a5e969e8/customers

Headers Hide ^

Parameter	Type	Description
Accept	string	Specify the media type of the response to be returned Example value: application/xml

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Summary



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- Resource types allow reusability of method definitions across the entire RAML API definition
- Traits also helps achieve reuse and modularity which allows for easier maintenance and design
 - Traits can be a part of a resource type