

Q1. What is an API? Give an example, where an API is used in real life.

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In [1]: # Ans- A software intermediary that allows two applications to talk to each other.
#       APIs are an accessible way to extract and share data within and across organizations.
#       APIs are used to deliver material by streaming services such as Spotify and Netflix.
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Q2. Give advantages and disadvantages of using API.

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In [2]: # ADVANTAGES OF API
# APIs increase business agility. By abstracting away the underlying complexity of a service and presenting
#       it as a product, APIs give organizations secure access to data, services,
#       and operating systems that drive innovation for internal partners and third-party consumers.
# DISADVANTAGES OF API
#       Security Concerns: API infrastructures can be vulnerable to security breaches,
#       such as SQL injection attacks and cross-site scripting (XSS) attacks,
#       making it crucial to implement security measures to protect against these threats.
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Q3. What is a Web API? Differentiate between API and Web API.

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In [3]: # Ans--Web API= It is a framework that helps you to create and develop HTTP based RESTFUL services.
#       Difference between API and WEB API
#       Web Services
#       Web services are a type of API, which must be accessed through a network connection.
#       Web service is used for REST, SOAP and XML-RPC for communication.
#       All Web services are APIs.      APIs are not web services.
#       It doesn't have lightweight design, needs a SOAP convention to send or receive data over the system.
#       It provides supports only for the HTTP protocol
#       It is not open source, however, can be devoured by any customer that comprehends xml.
#       Web service supports only XML.
#       Web Services can be hosted on IIS.
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Q4. Explain REST and SOAP Architecture. Mention shortcomings of SOAP.

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In [1]: # REST architecture
# REST stands for REpresentational State Transfer and API stands for Application Program Interface.
# REST is a software architectural style that defines the set of rules to be used for creating web services.
# Web services which follow the REST architectural style are known as RESTful web services.
# It allows requesting systems to access and manipulate web resources by using a uniform and predefined set of rules.
# Interaction in REST based systems happen through Internet's Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP).
# SOAP architecture
# Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) is a message specification for exchanging information between systems and applications.
# When it comes to application programming interfaces (APIs), a SOAP API is developed in a more structured and formalized way
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Q5. Differentiate between REST and SOAP.

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In [2]: # SOAP and REST are two different approaches to API design.
# The SOAP approach is highly structured and uses XML data format.
# REST is more flexible and allows applications to exchange data in multiple formats.
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