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# WHAT IS OPENAPI?

An open standard for defining RESTful APIs

Enables machine-readable descriptions of API structure and behavior

Originated in Swagger, became a standalone initiative in 2015



# WHAT IS SWAGGER?

A suite of tools for designing, documenting, and consuming APIs  
Initially started as a framework that combined API description with tools  
Evolved as OpenAPI became a standard



# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OPENAPI AND SWAGGER

OpenAPI is the specification format

Swagger is the toolset that supports OpenAPI

OpenAPI is the “blueprint,” Swagger is the “toolbox”



# WHY USE OPENAPI?

Ensures consistent API design across projects

Promotes collaboration across teams

Enables automated testing and CI/CD integration

Enhances developer experience



# IMPORTANCE OF API DOCUMENTATION

Improves usability and ease of adoption

Increases productivity and reduces support requests

Enhances onboarding for new developers



# CORE COMPONENTS OF OPENAPI SPECIFICATION

Paths - Represent API endpoints

Operations - Actions on paths (GET, POST, etc.)

Parameters - Inputs for API (query, path, body)

Responses - Expected outputs with status codes

Security - Authentication and authorization



# STRUCTURE OF AN OPENAPI SPECIFICATION

JSON or YAML format

High-level sections: info, servers, paths, components

Organized hierarchy for detailed API description





```
1 openapi: 3.1.0
2 info:
3   title: Train Travel API
4   description: |
5     API for finding and booking train trips across Europe.
6
7   version: 1.0.0
8   contact:
9     name: Train Support
10    url: https://example.com/support
11    email: support@example.com
12  license:
13    name: Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 4.0 International
14    identifier: CC-BY-NC-SA-4.0
15 servers:
16   - url: https://api.example.com
17     description: Production
18     x-internal: false
19
20   - url: https://mocks.example.com/rest
21     description: Mock Server
22     x-internal: false
```



# PATHS IN OPENAPI

Define API endpoints, such as `/users` or `/products/{id}`

Organized by resource (e.g., users, products)

Example: `GET /users` retrieves a list of users



```
69 paths:-
70   /stations:-
71     get:-
72       summary: Get a list of train stations-
73       description: Returns a paginated and searchable list of all train stations.-
74       operationId: get-stations-
75       tags:-
76         - Stations-
77       parameters:-
78         - $ref: '#/components/parameters/page'-
79         - $ref: '#/components/parameters/limit'-
80         - name: coordinates-
81           in: query-
82           description: > -
83             The latitude and longitude of the user's location, to narrow down-
84             the search results to sites within a proximity of this location.-
85           required: false-
86           schema:-
87             type: string-
88           example: 52.5200,13.4050-
89         - name: search-
90           in: query
```



# OPERATIONS IN OPENAPI

HTTP methods (GET, POST, PUT, DELETE) for actions on paths

Defined under each path for specific actions

Example: `POST /users` creates a new user



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# PARAMETERS IN OPENAPI

Specify inputs for API operations

Types: path, query, header, and body

Example: `limit` query parameter for results pagination



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# RESPONSES IN OPENAPI

Define expected outputs for each operation

Includes status codes (e.g., 200 OK, 404 Not Found)

Example: 200 response for `GET /users` returns a list of users



```

69     responses:~
70         '201':~
71             description: Booking successful~
72             content:~
73                 application/json:~
74                     schema:~
75                         allOf:~
76                             - $ref: '#/components/schemas/Booking'~
77                             - properties:~
78                                 links:~
79                                     $ref: '#/components/schemas/Links-Self'~
80 ~
81             example:~
82                 id: efdbb9d1-02c2-4bc3-afb7-6788d8782b1e~
83                 trip_id: efdbb9d1-02c2-4bc3-afb7-6788d8782b1e~
84                 passenger_name: John Doe~
85                 has_bicycle: true~
86                 has_dog: true~
87                 links:~
88                     self: https://api.example.com/bookings/efdbb9d1-02c2-4bc3-afb7-6788d8782b1e~
89             application/xml:~
90                 schema:~
91                     allOf:~
92                         - $ref: '#/components/schemas/Booking'~
93                         - properties:~
94                             links:~
95                                 $ref: '#/components/schemas/Links-Self'~
96         '400':~
97             $ref: '#/components/responses/BadRequest'~
98         '401':~
99             $ref: '#/components/responses/Unauthorized'~
100        '404':~
101            $ref: '#/components/responses/NotFound'~
102        '409':~
103            $ref: '#/components/responses/Conflict'~
104        '429':~
105            $ref: '#/components/responses/TooManyRequests'~
106        '500':~
107            $ref: '#/components/responses/InternalServerError'

```



# SECURITY DEFINITIONS IN OPENAPI

Define API authentication and authorization methods

Options include OAuth2, API Key, and more

Example: API key required for `/admin/` endpoints



```
69 components:~
70   securitySchemes:~
71     oauth2Profiles:~
72       type: oauth2~
73       flows:~
74         clientCredentials:~
75           tokenUrl: https://learn.openapis.org/oauth/2.0/token~
76           scopes:~
77             board:read: Read the board~
78             board:write: Write to the board~
79         authorizationCode:~
80           authorizationUrl: https://learn.openapis.org/oauth/2.0/auth~
81           tokenUrl: https://learn.openapis.org/oauth/2.0/token~
82           scopes:~
83             board:read: Read the board~
84             board:write: Write to the board~
85
```



```
69 openapi: 3.1.0-
70 info:-
71   title: Tic Tac Toe-
72   description: |-
73     This API allows writing down marks on a Tic Tac Toe board-
74     and requesting the state of the board or of individual squares.-
75   version: 1.0.0-
76 security:-
77   - oauth2Profiles:-
78     - board:read-
79     - board:write-
80 paths:-
81   /board:-
82     get:-
83       security:-
84         - oauth2Profiles: []-
85
```



# ADDITIONAL OPENAPI FEATURES

Authentication and rate limiting

Error handling and versioning



# OVERVIEW OF SWAGGER TOOLS

Swagger UI - Interactive API documentation

Swagger Editor - Writing and validating specs

Swagger Codegen - Generates client/server code

SwaggerHub - Team collaboration platform



# SWAGGER UI

Web interface for viewing and testing APIs

Interactive documentation with try-it-out feature

Example: Test `GET /users` endpoint directly

# Swagger Petstore - OpenAPI 3.0 1.0.19 OAS 3.0

<https://petstore3.swagger.io/api/v3/openapi.json>

This is a sample Pet Store Server based on the OpenAPI 3.0 specification. You can find out more about Swagger at <http://swagger.io>. In the third iteration of the pet store, we've switched to the design first approach! You can now help us improve the API whether it's by making changes to the definition itself or to the code. That way, with time, we can improve the API in general, and expose some of the new features in OAS3.

Some useful links:

- [The Pet Store repository](#)
- [The source API definition for the Pet Store](#)

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[Apache 2.0](#)

[Find out more about Swagger](#)

Servers

/api/v3

Authorize 

**pet** Everything about your Pets

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**PUT** /pet Update an existing pet



**POST** /pet Add a new pet to the store



**GET** /pet/findByStatus Finds Pets by status



**GET** /pet/findByTags Finds Pets by tags



**GET** /pet/{petId} Find pet by ID



**POST** /pet/{petId} Updates a pet in the store with form data



**DELETE** /pet/{petId} Deletes a pet



**POST** /pet/{petId}/uploadImage uploads an image







# Demo time!

[petstore.swagger.io](http://petstore.swagger.io)



# SWAGGER EDITOR

IDE-like environment for creating OpenAPI specs

Real-time validation and syntax highlighting

Preview structured documentation



```
1 openapi: 3.0.3
2 info:
3   title: Swagger Petstore - OpenAPI 3.0
4   description: |-
5     This is a sample Pet Store Server based on the OpenAPI 3.0
6     specification. You can find out more about
7     Swagger at [https://swagger.io](https://swagger.io). In the
8     third iteration of the pet store, we've switched to the
9     design first approach!
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11    changes to the definition itself or to the code.
12    That way, with time, we can improve the API in general, and
13    expose some of the new features in OAS3.
14
15    _If you're looking for the Swagger 2.0/OAS 2.0 version of
16    Petstore, then click [here](https://editor.swagger.io?url
17    =https://petstore.swagger.io/v2/swagger.yaml). Alternatively
18    , you can load via the `Edit > Load Petstore OAS 2.0` menu
19    option!_
20
21    Some useful links:
22    - [The Pet Store repository](https://github.com/swagger-api
23    /swagger-petstore)
24    - [The source API definition for the Pet Store](https://github
25    .com/swagger-api/swagger-petstore/blob/master/src/main
26    /resources/openapi.yaml)
27
28    termsOfService: http://swagger.io/terms/
29    contact:
30      email: apiteam@swagger.io
31    license:
32      name: Apache 2.0
33      url: http://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0.html
34    version: 1.0.11
35
36  externalDocs:
37    description: Find out more about Swagger
38    url: http://swagger.io
39
40  servers:
41    - url: https://petstore3.swagger.io/api/v3
42
43  tags:
```

# Swagger Petstore - OpenAPI 3.0 1.0.11

## OAS 3.0

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Servers

<https://petstore3.swagger.io/api/v3> ▾

Authorize





# SWAGGER CODEGEN

Generates client SDKs, server stubs, and API documentation

Supports multiple languages (Java, Python, JavaScript, etc.)

Example: Generate a Python SDK for API interaction



# SWAGGERHUB

Collaborative platform for API design and documentation

Version control, role-based access, CI/CD integration

Example: Sync with GitHub for automated updates



# CREATING AN API SPEC WITH OPENAPI

Example: Todo API - basic info, server, and paths

Define operations for CRUD actions

YAML example for starting structure



```
1
2 openapi: 3.0.3
3 info:
4   title: Todo API
5   description: A simple API to manage todo items.
6   version: "1.0.0"
7 servers:
8   - url: https://api.example.com/v1
9     description: Production server
10  - url: https://staging-api.example.com/v1
11    description: Staging server
```



# ADDING PARAMETERS TO THE API SPEC

Define query and path parameters

Example: Add `status` query parameter to filter todos

Set data type and default values





```
1  /todos/{id}:
2    get:
3      summary: Get a specific todo
4      description: Retrieve a specific todo by its ID.
5      security:
6        - ApiKeyAuth: []
7      parameters:
8        - name: id
9          in: path
10         required: true
11         schema:
12           type: string
13      responses:
14        '200':
15          description: Todo found
16          content:
17            application/json:
18              schema:
19                $ref: '#/components/schemas/Todo'
20        '404':
21          description: Todo not found
22      put:
23        summary: Update a specific todo
24        description: Update the details of an existing todo.
```



# ADDING RESPONSES TO THE API SPEC

Define possible responses for each operation

Status codes and example data structure

Example: 200 and 404 responses for `GET /todos`



```
1 post:
2   summary: Create a new todo
3   description: Add a new item to the todo list.
4   security:
5     - ApiKeyAuth: []
6   requestBody:
7     description: Todo object to add
8     required: true
9     content:
10      application/json:
11        schema:
12          $ref: '#/components/schemas/Todo'
13   responses:
14     '201':
15       description: Todo created successfully
16     '400':
17       description: Invalid input
```



# ADDING SECURITY TO THE API SPEC

Define security schemes like API key or OAuth

Apply globally or to specific paths

Example: API key required for `/admin` routes



```
1 paths:
2   /todos:
3     get:
4       summary: Get all todos
5       description: Retrieve a list of all todo items.
6       security:
7         - ApiKeyAuth: []
8       responses:
9         '200':
10          description: A list of todos
11          content:
12            application/json:
13              schema:
14                type: array
15                items:
16                  $ref: '#/components/schemas/Todo'
17         '500':
18          description: Server error
```



# BEST PRACTICES IN OPENAPI AND SWAGGER USAGE

Detailed documentation for parameters and responses  
Keep specs updated to reflect changes



# COMMON PITFALLS TO AVOID

Incomplete or outdated specs

Poor naming conventions

Lack of error handling and security details



# PERSONAL EXPERIENCE





# EXTRAS

Integrate Postman with OpenAPI

You can import your existing OpenAPI 3.0 and 3.1 definitions (OpenAPI Specification) into Postman. Postman supports both YAML and JSON formats.

New features in OpenAPI and Swagger tools

Trends: adoption growth



# Q&A

Thank you for your time, question, and attention.