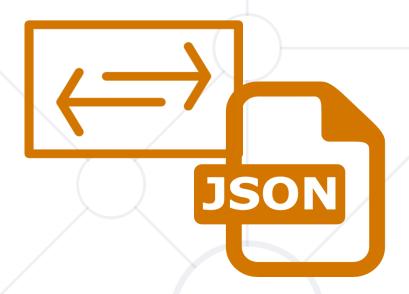
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JavaScript Object Notation

- Human-readable format to transmit data objects consisting of attribute-value pairs and arrays
- Subset of JavaScript syntax
- Supports several data types:
 - Number, String, Boolean, Array, Object, null



JSON Example



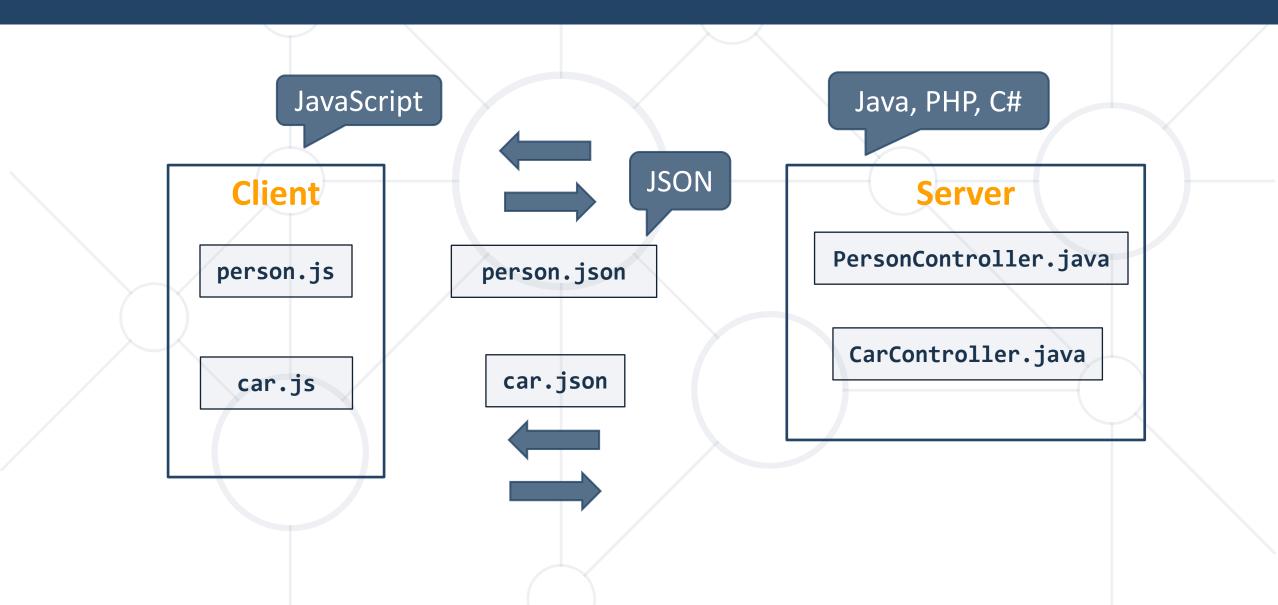
```
person.json

{
    "firstName": "Daniel",
    "lastName": "Sempre",
    "age": 24,
    "isMarried": true
}
```

```
student.json
"firstName": "Daniel",
"lastName": "Sempre",
"age": 24,
               Array type
"courses":
                 value
    "name": "Java DB",
    "name": "HTML",
```

JSON Function





JSON Structure (1)



- Data is represented in name/value pairs
- Curly braces hold objects
- Square brackets hold arrays

```
person.json

Key Value

"firstName": "Daniel",
    "lastName": "Sempre", Comma separated
    "age": 24,
    "isMarried": true
}
```

JSON Structure (2)



```
person.json
                     Key
                                        Value
                 "firstName": "John",
                 "lastName": "Snow",
                 "address": {
Nested object
                                         Object holder
                   "country": "Spain",
                   "city": "Barcelona",
                   "street": "Barcelona"
                                         Array holder
                 "phoneNumbers": [
                     "number": "1e341341"
                   },
                                          Nested array
                                            of objects
                     "number": "542152"
```



Serialize and De-serialize objects with Java

GSON



- Provides easy to use mechanisms to convert Java to JSON and vice-versa
 - Originally developed by Google
- Generates compact and readability JSON output

GSON Initialization (1)



- Gson objects are responsible for the JSON manipulations
 - GsonBuilder creates an instance of GSON
 - excludeFieldsWithoutExposeAnnotation() –
 excludes fields without @Expose annotation
 - setPrettyPrinting() aligns and justifies the created
 JSON format
 - create() creates an instance of Gson

GSON Initialization (2)



```
JsonParser.java
```

Export Single Object to JSON (1)



```
public class AddressJsonDto implements Serializable {
    @Expose
    private String country;
    @Expose
    private String city;
    @Expose
    private String street;
}
The field will be imported/exported
```

JsonParser.java

```
AddressJsonDto addressJsonDto = new AddressJsonDto();
    addressJsonDto.setCountry("Bulgaria");
    addressJsonDto.setCity("Sofia");
    addressJsonDto.setStreet("Mladost 4");
String content = this.gson.toJson(addressJsonDto);
```

Creates JSON

Export Single Object to JSON (2)



JsonParser.java

```
AddressJsonDto addressJsonDto = new AddressJsonDto();
addressJsonDto.setCountry("Bulgaria");
addressJsonDto.setCity("Sofia");
addressJsonDto.setStreet("Mladost 4");
String content = this.gson.toJson(addressJsonDto);
```

address.json

```
{
    "country": "Bulgaria",
    "city": "Sofia",
    "street": "Mladost 4"
}
```

Export Multiple Object to JSON



JsonParser.java

```
List<AddressJsonDto> addressJsonDtos = new ArrayList<>();
addressJsonDtos.add(addressJsonDtoBulgaria);
addressJsonDtos.add(addressJsonDtoSpain);
String content = this.gson.toJson(addressJsonDtos);
```

addresses.json

Import Single Object to JSON



```
AddressJsonDto.java
public class AddressJsonDto implements Serializable {
                                The field will be
   @Expose
    private String country;
                              imported/exported
    @Expose
    private String city;
    @Expose
    private String street;
```

```
JsonParser.java

AddressJsonDto addressJsonDto =
    this.gson.fromJson("/files/input/json/address.json", AddressJsonDto.class);
```

Import Single Object to JSON



```
AddressJsonDto.java
public class AddressJsonDto implements
Serializable {
   @Expose
    private String country;
   @Expose
    private String city;
   @Expose
    private String street;
```

```
address.json

{
    "country": "Bulgaria",
    "city": "Sofia",
    "street": "Mladost 4"
}
```

Import Multiple Object to JSON



Object Array

```
addresses.json
"country": "Bulgaria",
"city": "Sofia",
"street": "Mladost 4"
"country": "Spain",
"city": "Barcelona",
"street": "Las Ramblas"
```

Summary



- JSON is a very easy to use and understand format
- GSON is a java library to operate with JSON files
 - Easy import and export





Questions?

















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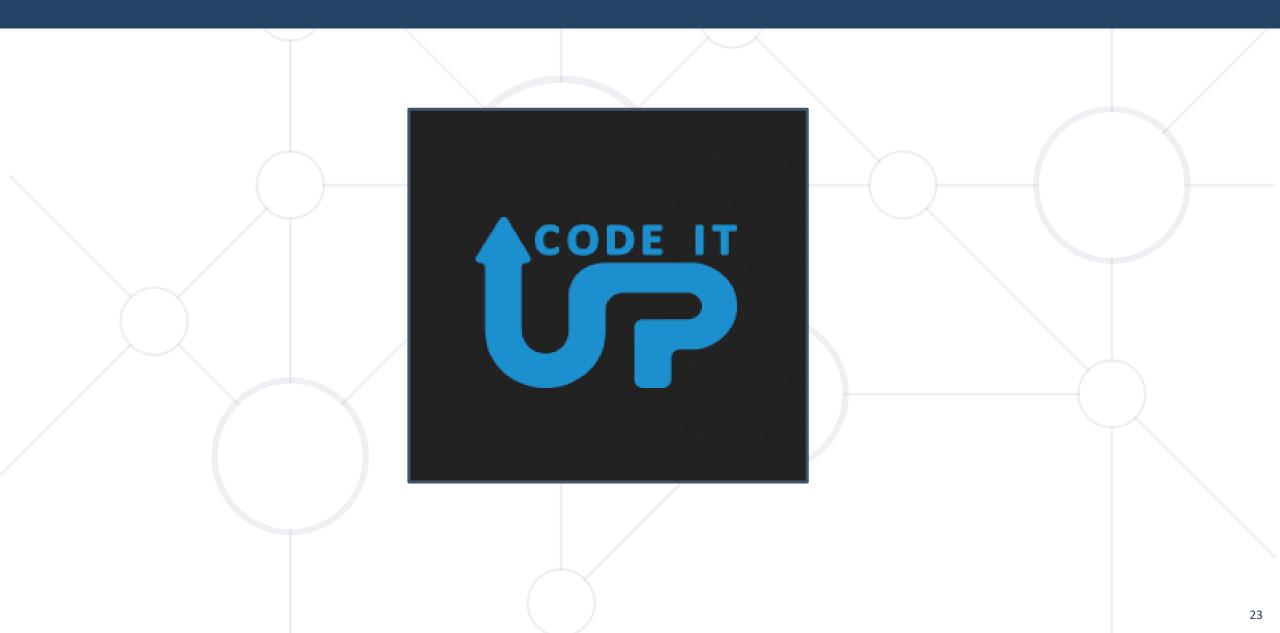






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