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## RESTful Web Services



- RESTful Web Services
  - Why?
  - What?
  - How?
- RESTful Web Services in Java EE
  - JAX-RS
- Web Service or not?

## Why



- SOAP-based Web Services
  - Coupling with the message format
  - Coupling with the encoding of WS
  - Parse and assemble SOAP
  - Need a WSDL to describe the details of WS
  - Need a proxy generated from WSDL
- It is a time-cost way to implement Web Service with SOAP
  - We should find a new way to implement WS

### What



### REpresentational State Transfer

- Representational:
  - All data are resources. Representation for client.
  - Each resource can have different representations
  - Each resource has its own unique identity(URI)

### – State:

- It refers to state of client. Server is stateless.
- The representation of resource is a state of client.

### – Transfer:

- Client's representation will be transferred when client access different resources by different URI.
- It means the states of client are also transferred.
- That is Representation State Transfer

## What



- REST is a kind of architecture, but not a specification
  - REST is a typical Client-Server architecture, but it is stateless server
  - All states are hold in the messages delivered between clients and server
  - Server only process the requirements of data, displaying is completely depended on clients
  - REST is idempotent which means server will return same results for same require. So the results can be cached on either clients or server

## What



- In REST, all operations are preformed in unified way
  - Each resource has a unique identity
  - Process resource by representation
    - Client can not directly manipulate resources.
    - Client only can manipulate its representation, and send requires.
    - Server process requires and return response.
  - Any message between clients and server is self-described.
    - The context for processing a message is contained in the message itself.
  - Multimedia interaction system.
    - The content delivered between clients and server can be documents, pictures, audios, and videos
    - It is the base for resource to be rendered as different representations.

## How to design REST



- Design rules
  - Anything on web is abstracted as resource
  - Any resource has a unique resource identifier
  - Access resource by generic connector interface
  - Any manipulation to resource doesn't change resource identifier
  - All operations are stateless
- Resources are not data, but the combination of data and representation
  - Same data with different representation will be abstracted as different resources.

## How to design REST



### CRUD

- Atomic operations: Create, Read, Update, Delete
- Composite them to build complex manipulate

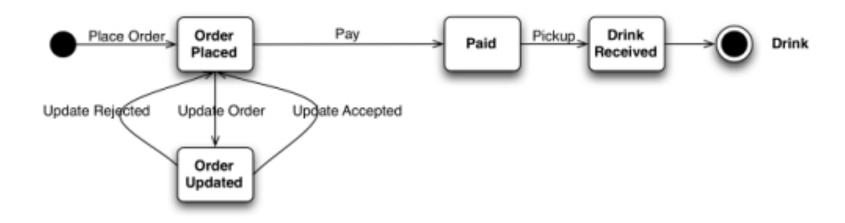
### HTTP-based

- GET-read
- POST-create
- PUT-update
- DELETE-delete

### Design by URL

- We just need to design suitable URLs which directly represent user interface
- Developers just need to abstract resources according to URLs
- URL without parameters is more convenient for user
- Quite different from action-based design method, such as MVC
- Notice: it is very difficult to abstract anything on web as resource
  - Mix MVC and REST











**Response:** 

</order>

201 Created

Content-Length: . . .

<drink>latte</drink>

<cost>3.00</cost>

#### **Request:**

POST /order HTTP1.1

```
<drink>latte</drink>
                           </order>
Location: http://starbucks.example.org/order/1234
Content-Type: application/xml
<order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.org/">
    <next xmlns="http://example.org/state-machine"</pre>
        rel="http://starbucks.example.org/payment"
        uri="http://starbucks.example.com/payment/order/1234"
        type="application/xml"/>
```



### Response code

- 200 OK
- 201 Created
- 202 Accepted
- 303 See Other
- 400 Bad Request
- 404 Not Found
- 409 Conflict
- 412 Precondition Failed
- 417 Expectation Failed
- 500 Internal Server Error



### Update order

Request	Response
OPTIONS /order/1234 HTTP 1.1 Host: starbucks.example.org	200 OK Allow: GET, PUT

Request	Response
PUT /order/1234 HTTP 1.1 Host: starbucks.example.com Expect: 100-Continue	100 Continue



### Update order

```
Request:
PUT /order/1234 HTTP1.1
Host: starbucks.example.com
Content-Type: application/xml
Content-Length: . . .
<order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.org/">
    <additions>shot</additions>
</order>
                      Response:
                      200 OK
                      Location: http://starbucks.example.org/order/1234
                      Content-Type: application/xml
                      Content-Length: . . .
                      <order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.org/">
                          <drink>latte</drink>
                          <additions>shot</additions>
                          <cost>4.00</cost>
                          <next xmlns="http://example.org/state-machine"</pre>
                              rel="http://starbucks.example.org/payment"
                              uri="http://starbucks.example.com/payment/order/1234"
                              type="application/xml"/>
                      </order>
```



### Update order

```
Request:
PUT /order/1234 HTTP1.1
Host: starbucks.example.com
Content-Type: application/xml
Content-Length: . . .
<order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.org/">
    <additions>shot</additions>
</order>
                      Response:
                      409 conflict
```

```
Location: http://starbucks.example.org/order/1234
Content-Type: application/xml
Content-Length: . . .
<order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.org/">
    <drink>latte</drink>
    <cost>4.00</cost>
    <next xmlns="http://example.org/state-machine"</pre>
        rel="http://starbucks.example.org/payment"
        uri="http://starbucks.example.com/payment/order/1234"
        type="application/xml"/>
</order>
```



### Payment

```
<next xmlns="http://example.org/state-machine"
    rel="http://starbucks.example.org/payment"
    uri="http://starbucks.example.com/payment/order/1234"
    type="application/xml"/>
```

Request	Response
OPTIONS/payment/order/1234 HTTP 1.1 Host: starbucks.example.com	Allow: GET, PUT



### Payment

### Request

```
PUT /payment/order/1234 HTTP 1.1
Host: starbucks.example.com
Content-Type: application/xml
Content-Length: ...
Authorization: Digest username="Jane Doe"
realm="starbucks.example.org"
nonce="..."
uri="payment/order/1234"
qop=auth
nc=0000001
                             Response
cnonce="..."
                             201 Created
reponse="..."
                             Location:
opaque="..."
                             https://starbucks.example.com/payment/order/1234
123456789
                             Content-Type: application/xml
07/07
                             Content-Length: ...
John Citizen
                                123456789
4.00
                                07/07
                                John Citizen
                                4.00
```



Get a list of orders

#### **Response:**



Atom Feed

Starbucks

Service

Reverse

Proxv

(cache)

Barista

Get a list of orders

### **Response:**

```
<entry>
    <published>2014-05-16T08:18:43Z</title>
    <updated>2014-05-16T08:20:32Z</update>
    <link rel="alternate" type="application.xml"</pre>
        uri="http://starbucks.example.com/order/1234"/>
    <id>http://starbucks.example.com/order/1234</id>
    <content type="text+xml">
       <order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.com/">
          <drink>latte</drink>
          <additions>shot</additions>
          <cost>4.00</cost>
       </order>
       <link rel="edit"</pre>
          type="applicatioin/atom+xml"
          href="http://starbucks.example.com/order/1234"/>
    </content>
</entry>
```



Get a list of orders

### Request

```
PUT /order/1234 HTTP 1.1
Host: starbucks.example.com
Content-Type: application/atom+xml
Content-Length: ...
<entry>
  <content type="text+xml">
     <order xmlns="http://starbucks.example.com/">
        <drink>latte</drink>
        <additions>shot</additions>
        <cost>4.00</cost>
        <status>preparing</status>
     </order>
  </content>
</entry>
```



### Check payment of orders

Request	Response
GET /payment/order/1234 HTTP 1.1 Host: starbucks.example.org	401 Unauthorized  WWW-Authenticate: Digest  realm="starbucks.example.com",  qop="auth",  nonce="ab656",

Request	Response
GET /payment/order/1234 HTTP 1.1  Host: starbucks.example.org  Authorization: Digest     username="barista joe"     realm="starbucks.example.com"     nonce=""     uri="payment/order/1234"     qop=auth     nc=00000001 c     nonce=""     reponse=""     opaque=""	200 OK Content-Type: application/xml Content-Length: 123456789 07/07 John Citizen 4.00



Delete a order

Request	Response
DELETE /order/1234 HTTP 1.1 Host: starbucks.example.org	200 OK

## RESTful Web Services in Java EE



• JAX-RS is a Java programming language API designed to make it easy to develop applications that use the REST architecture.

### @Path

The @Path annotation's value is a relative URI path indicating where the Java class will be hosted: for example, /helloworld.

### @GET @POST @PUT @DELETE @HEAD

 The @GET @POST @PUT @DELETE @HEAD annotation is a request method designator and corresponds to the similarly named HTTP method.

### • @PathParam @QueryParam

 The @PathParam @QueryParam annotation is a type of parameter that you can extract for use in your resource class.

#### @Consumes

 The @Consumes annotation is used to specify the MIME media types of representations a resource can consume that were sent by the client.

#### @Produces

 The @Produces annotation is used to specify the MIME media types of representations a resource can produce and send back to the client

#### @Provider

 The @Provider annotation is used for anything that is of interest to the JAX-RS runtime, such as MessageBodyReader and MessageBodyWriter.

### @ApplicationPath

The @ApplicationPath annotation is used to define the URL mapping for the application.

### Overview



```
package javaeetutorial.hello;
import javax.ws.rs.Consumes;
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
/** * Root resource (exposed at "helloworld" path) */
@Path("helloworld")
public class HelloWorld {
 @Context
 private UriInfo context;
 /** Creates a new instance of HelloWorld */
 public HelloWorld() { }
 /** * Retrieves representation of an instance of helloWorld.HelloWorld
  * @return an instance of java.lang.String */
 @GET
 @Produces("text/html")
 public String getHtml() {
   return "<html lang=\"en\"><body><h1>Hello,
          World!!</h1></body></html>";
```

## Download a JAX-RS implementation





## URI Path Templates



- @Path("/users/{username}")
  - In this kind of example, a user is prompted to type his or her name, and then a JAX-RS web service configured to respond to requests to this URI path template responds.
  - For example, if the user types the user name "Galileo," the web service responds to the following URL:

```
http://example.com/users/Galileo
```

 To obtain the value of the user name, the @PathParam annotation may be used on the method parameter of a request method, as shown in the following code example:

```
@Path("/users/{username}")
public class UserResource {
    @GET
    @Produces("text/xml")
    public String getUser(@PathParam("username") String userName)
    { ... }
}
```

# Responding to HTTP Methods and Requests



- JAX-RS defines a set of request method designators for the common HTTP methods GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, and HEAD;
  - you can also create your own custom request method designators. Creating custom request method designators is outside the scope of this document.
- The following example shows the use of the PUT method to create or update a storage container:

```
@PUT
public Response putContainer() {
    System.out.println("PUT CONTAINER " + container);
    URI uri = uriInfo.getAbsolutePath();
    Container c = new Container(container, uri.toString());
    Response r;
    if (!MemoryStore.MS.hasContainer(c)) {
        r = Response.created(uri).build();
    }
    else {
        r = Response.noContent().build();
    }
    MemoryStore.MS.createContainer(c);
    return r;
}
```

## Type Mapping



Java Type	Supported Media Types	
byte[]	All media types (*/*)	
java.lang.String	All text media types (text/*)	
java.io.InputStream	All media types (*/*)	
java.io.Reader	All media types (*/*)	
java.io.File	All media types (*/*)	
javax.activation.DataSource	All media types (*/*)	
javax.xml.transform.Source	<pre>XML media types (text/xml, application/xml, and application/*+xml)</pre>	
javax.xml.bind.JAXBElement and application-supplied JAXB classes	<pre>XML media types (text/xml, application/xml, and application/*+xml)</pre>	
MultivaluedMap <string, string=""></string,>	Form content (application/x-www-form-urlencoded)	
StreamingOutput	All media types (*/*), MessageBodyWriter only	

## Type Mapping



 The following example shows how to use MessageBodyReader with the @Consumes and @Provider annotations:

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- You can extract the following types of parameters for use in your resource class:
  - Query, URI path, Form, Cookie, Header, Matrix

```
Query parameters

@Path("smooth")

@GET

public Response smooth(

@DefaultValue("2") @QueryParam("step") int step,

@DefaultValue("true") @QueryParam("min-m") boolean hasMin,

@DefaultValue("true") @QueryParam("max-m") boolean hasMax,

@DefaultValue("true") @QueryParam("last-m") boolean hasLast,

@DefaultValue("blue") @QueryParam("min-color") ColorParam minColor,

@DefaultValue("green") @QueryParam("max-color") ColorParam maxColor,

@DefaultValue("red") @QueryParam("last-color") ColorParam lastColor)

{...}
```



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- Cookie parameters,
  - indicated by decorating the parameter with javax.ws.rs.CookieParam, extract information from the cookies declared in cookie-related HTTP headers.
- Header parameters,
  - indicated by decorating the parameter with javax.ws.rs.HeaderParam, extract information from the HTTP headers.
- Matrix parameters,
  - indicated by decorating the parameter with javax.ws.rs.MatrixParam, extract information from URL path segments.
- Form parameters,
  - indicated by decorating the parameter with javax.ws.rs.FormParam, extract information from a request representation that is of the MIME media type application/x-www-formurlencoded and conforms to the encoding specified by HTML forms.



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  - Query, URI path, Form, Cookie, Header, Matrix

```
@POST
@Consumes("application/x-www-form-urlencoded")
public void post(@FormParam("name") String name) { // Store the message }
@GET
public String get(@Context UriInfo ui) {
  MultivaluedMap<String, String> queryParams = ui.getQueryParameters();
  MultivaluedMap<String, String> pathParams = ui.getPathParameters();
@GET
public String get(@Context HttpHeaders hh) {
  MultivaluedMap<String, String> headerParams = hh.getRequestHeaders();
 Map<String, Cookie> pathParams = hh.getCookies();
```

## Configuring JAX-RS Applications



- A JAX-RS application consists of at least one resource class packaged within a WAR file.
  - The base URI from which an application's resources respond to requests can be set one of two ways:
    - Using the @ApplicationPath annotation in a subclass of javax.ws.rs.core.Application packaged within the WAR
    - Using the servlet-mapping tag within the WAR's web.xml deployment descriptor

```
@ApplicationPath("/webapi")
public class MyApplication extends Application {
    @Override
    public Set<Class<?>> getClasses() {
        final Set<Class<?>> classes = new HashSet<>();
        // register root resource
        classes.add(MyResource.class);
        return classes;
    }
}
```

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```
<servlet-mapping>
     <servlet-name>javax.ws.rs.core.Application</servlet-name>
          <url-pattern>/webapi/*</url-pattern>
</servlet-mapping>
```

• This setting will also override the path set by @ApplicationPath when using an Application subclass.

## Accessing REST Resources



- The following steps are needed to access a REST resource using the Client API.
  - Obtain an instance of the javax.ws.rs.client.Client interface.
  - Configure the Client instance with a target.
  - Create a request based on the target.
  - Invoke the request.

## Accessing REST Resources



Setting Path Parameters in Targets

Supported methods are:

```
get()
post()
delete()
put()
head()
options()
```

## Trade-off of WS



### Advantages:

- Across platforms
  - XML-based, independent of vendors
- Self-described
  - WSDL: operations, parameters, types and return values
- Modulization
  - Encapsulate components
- Across Firewall
  - HTTP
- Disadvantages:
  - Lower productivity
    - Not suitable for stand-alone applications
  - Lower performance
    - Parse and assembly
  - Security
    - Depend on other mechanism, such as HTTP+SSL

## When



- When we should use WS:
  - Support communication across firewall
  - Support application integration
  - Support B2B integration
  - Encourage reusing software
- When we should NOT use WS:
  - Stand-alone applications
    - Such as MS Office
  - Homogeneous applications in LAN
    - Such as communication between COM+s or EJBs

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## Thank You!