



Restful APIs

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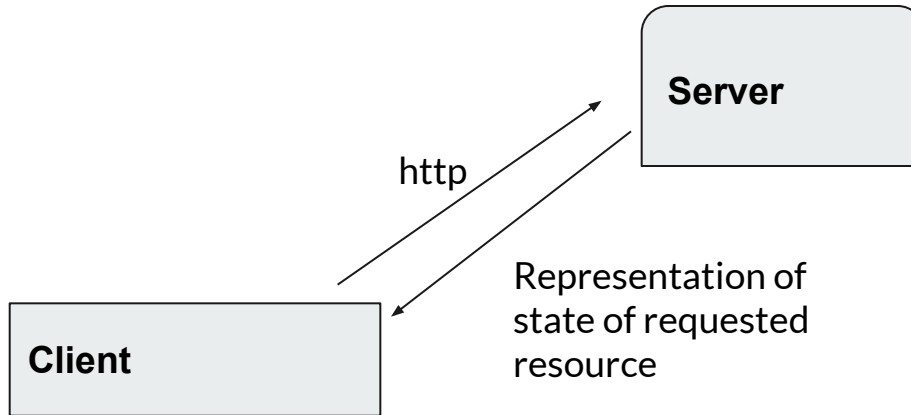


What Are APIs?

- Known as Application Programming Interfaces
- Used to get one software to interact with another
- Different Types of APIs
 - REST
 - SOAP
 - XML-RPC
 - JSON-RPC

REST APIs

- Stands for **RE**presentational **State** **T**ransfer





JSON Objects

- Most APIs return JSON objects

```
example = {"person": [  
  {"name": "Peter",  
   "age": 28,  
   "nationality": "Irish"},  
  
  {"name": "Paul",  
   "age": 44,  
   "nationality": "German"},  
  
  {"name": "Stephen",  
   "age": 22,  
   "nationality": "English"},  
  
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]
```



Common HTTP methods

- **GET**- retrieves resource
- **POST** - modify resource
- **PUT** - replace resource
- **DELETE** - remove resource



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Challenge

1. Open Google Colaboratory or whatever text editor you feel most comfortable with Python installed. **Don't forget to import requests!**
2. Use the public API shibe.online to GET a URL of an image of a shibe
3. POST the URL to CleanURI API to obtain a shortened url
4. Click the shortened URL and enjoy the picture of a cute shibe

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<https://colab.research.google.com/drive/19SInaKdSkWc1J07RofZr9aHmb0INyCA1>