

# Dropwizard

**production ready restful web services...**

**... for java**

# preamble

***... the case for dropwizard***

Dropwizard is an exemplar for  
**ops-friendly, self contained, high**  
**performing, framework-less** web  
service building technologies

**... written in java**

The **concepts, principles & patterns** contained herein can and should be applied to any services you build irrespective of technology or language

**“micro service architecture”**

[bit.ly/187C3Le](https://bit.ly/187C3Le)

The rise of **real service oriented architecture** has meant that services are now an acceptable level of abstraction for defining system features



**“the world needs devops”**

**develop** → **deploy** → **disaster**

**a typical release pipeline**

When things go smoothly our  
initial reaction is one of **surprise**  
followed by **suspicion**

ITS THEIR FAULT!

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS

**develop** → **deploy** → **disaster**

THEY DON'T GET IT!

**news flash!**

You are **not** writing code for your  
own gratification



You are trying to make **others**  
lives better



Your code and infrastructure **will**  
**fail** a lot





You are **not** in competition with  
other departments



You **need** a shared understanding  
of system behaviour



**DEAL WITH IT!**

**Dropwizard** provides a set of features that enable you to build systems capable of adapting to, both, a changing **business** and **operational** domain

# Dropwizard

**the actual topic of the talk**

**Dropwizard** is a Java framework for developing ops-friendly, high-performance, RESTful web services.

<http://dropwizard.io>

A **damn simple** library for building  
**production-ready** RESTful web  
services

[github.com/dropwizard/dropwizard](https://github.com/dropwizard/dropwizard)

It's a little bit of **opinionated glue code** which bangs together **a set of libraries** which have historically not sucked

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**Jetty**

HTTP Library

**Jersey**

REST Library

**Jackson**

JSON Processor

**Metrics**

Instrumentation

**Guava**

Immutable Collections & Utils

**Logback**

Logging

**Hibernate Validator**

Validation

**JDBI & Liquibase**

Data Access & Migration

**Freemarker & Mustache**

Templating

**JodaTime**

Non-Terrible Time

# The “Nobody’s Perfect”

- Java is Java
- Annotations are awful
- Documentation is dispersed

# *Lets Build a Service!!!*

**1. Create Configuration YML & Class**

**2. Create the Service**

**3. Create the Representation**

**4. Create & Register the Resource**

**5. Build & Run**

**So What?**

I could have done this with

**Rails, Sinatra, Spring, Play,**

**Finagle, Express, Nancy....**

***The Admin Server***

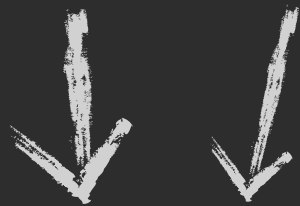
**Metrics**

**Healthchecks**

# Managed Objects

```
class DBManager implements Managed {  
    public void start() { ... }  
    public void stop() { ... }  
}
```

```
// register in Service.initialize()  
environment.manage(myDBManager)
```



```
class DingusCommand implements Command {  
    public void configure(parser) { ... }  
    public void run(bootstrap, ns) { ... }  
}
```

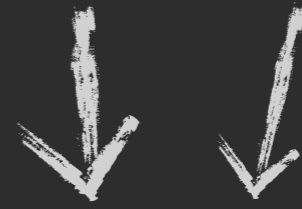
```
// register in Service.initialize()  
bootstrap.addCommand(myCommand)
```



```
> java -jar app.jar dingus
```

**Commands**





```
class DingusTask implements Task {  
    public void execute(params, out) { ... }  
}
```

```
// register in Service.run()  
environment.addTask(myTask)
```



**Tasks**

```
> curl -X POST http://server/tasks/dingus
```

# Bundles

Reusable modules of functionality

```
@Override  
public void initialize(bootstrap) {  
    bootstrap.addBundle(  
        new AssetsBundle("/assets/", "/"));  
}
```



# Testing (Fixtures)

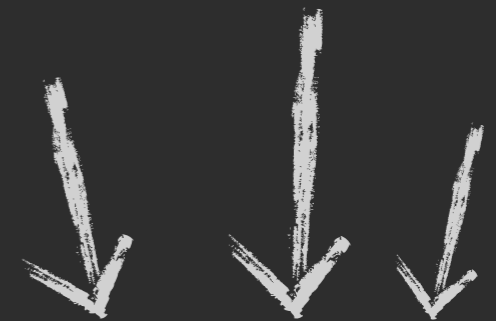
```
import static com.yammer.dropwizard  
    .testing.JsonHelpers.*;
```

```
jsonFixture("fixtures/person.json")
```

```
fromJson(myFixture, Person.class)
```

```
asJson(person)
```

# Testing (Resources)



```
public class MyTest extends ResourceTest {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void setUpResources() {  
        addResource(...);  
    }  
}
```



```
client().resource("user/1").get(User.class)
```

# *More Other Things & Stuff*

**Views**

**Data Access**

**Banners**

**Migrations**

**Authentication**

**etc...**

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