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How to choose Haskell Web Framework

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About me

- ~3 years experience in Haskell
 - 2+ years in industrial software development at Serokell
 - ~1 year of self-study + university course
- Web development beginner

Goals

- Promote Haskell as a good web development tool
- Make a life a bit easier for (future) Haskell web developers

Content

Considered web tools – Servant, Yesod, and IHP

Plan:

- Short overview
- Simple app implementation example
- Logging middleware addition
- Final conclusions

Introduce web tools

Servant

briefly

- “A Type-Level Web DSL” (c)
- Typically used for implementing REST APIs
- Represents web API as Haskell type
- Light-weight
- Quite popular

Yesod

briefly

- “Web framework for productive development of type-safe, RESTful, high performance web applications” (c)
- Full-stack
- Modular approach: data store interface (Persistent) and template languages for frontend (Shakespearean Templates) are standalone packages

IHP

briefly

- “IHP is a full-stack framework focused on rapid application development while striving for robust code quality” (c)
- Fully managed environment with Nix
- Automatic code reloading with built-in web server
- GUI for fast prototyping and generating code

Simple app description



TODO-list API

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```
> POST /api/task/ '{"content": "wake up"}'  
{ "content": "wake up", "id": 1 }
```

```
> POST /api/task/ '{"content": "go to sleep"}'  
{ "content": "go to sleep", "id": 2 }
```

```
> PUT /api/task/2 '{"content": "do some work!"}'  
{ "content": "do some work!", "id": 2 }
```

```
> GET /api/task/  
[ { "content": "wake up", "id": 1 },  
  { "content": "do some work!", "id": 2 } ]
```

Database

- **Servant and Yesod:** “*Persistent*” library with Postgres
- **IHP:** Own storage interface with Postgres (the only one available in free version)

How to compare web tools' approaches?

Comparison points

- routes/API syntax
- handlers implementation
- database integration
- extra functionality addition
 - logging middleware
- setting up and running application
- proper documentation
- overall subjective impression

Creating database entity

Database entity with Persistent

share

```
[ mkPersist sqlSettings  
  , mkMigrate "migrateAll"  
]
```

```
[persistLowerCase|
```

```
Task
```

```
  content String
```

```
  deriving Show
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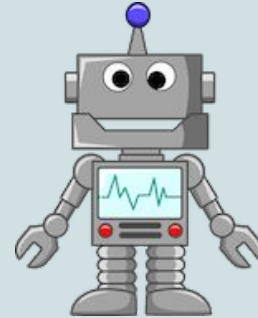
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- `type TaskId = Key Task`
- `instance PersistentEntity Task where ...`
 - `Entity taskId task :: Entity Task`
that matches a record in SQL table

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that matches a record in SQL table
- `migrateAll` function to migrate database

TODO-list by Servant



Servant: API

- API is a Haskell type
- API – sequence of endpoints united by a special combinator `:<|>`
- Endpoint – path segments and combinators

Servant: from API to handlers

API

- Get, Post, Delete, Put, Patch
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Handlers

- Return type
- Argument of type a
- Argument of type a

Servant: from API to handlers

API

```
"api" :> "task"  
  :> ReqBody '[JSON] Task  
  :> Post '[JSON] (Entity Task)
```

```
"api" :> "task"  
  :> Capture "taskId" TaskId  
  :> ReqBody '[JSON] Task  
  :> Put '[JSON] (Entity Task)
```

Handlers

```
createEntityTask  
  :: Task  
  -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

```
replaceEntityTask  
  :: TaskId  
  -> Task  
  -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

Servant: API definition

```
type TaskListAPI
  =   "api" :> "task"
      :> Get '[JSON] [Entity Task]
```

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    :> Get '[JSON] [Entity Task]
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    :> ReqBody '[JSON] Task :> Post '[JSON] (Entity Task)

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    :> Get '[JSON] (Entity Task)
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    :> Delete '[JSON] (Entity Task)
```


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```
type TaskListAPI
=   "api" :> "task" :>
    (   Get '[JSON] [Entity Task]
      :<|> ReqBody '[JSON] Task :> Post '[JSON] (Entity Task)
    )
:<|> "api" :> "task" :> Capture "taskId" TaskId :>
    (   Get '[JSON] (Entity Task)
      :<|> ReqBody '[JSON] Task :> Put '[JSON] (Entity Task)
      :<|> Delete '[JSON] (Entity Task)
    )
```

Servant: API definition

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=   "api" :> "task"
    :> Get '[JSON] [Entity Task]
:<|> "api" :> "task"
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    :> Delete '[JSON] (Entity Task)
```

Servant: Handlers

```
createEntityTask
```

```
  :: Task -> Handler (Entity Task)
createEntityTask task = do
  taskId <- runDB $ insert task
  return $ Entity taskId task
```

```
replaceEntityTaskById
```

```
  :: TaskId -> Task -> Handler (Entity Task)
replaceEntityTaskById taskId task = do
  _ <- getEntityTaskById taskId
  runDB $ replace taskId task
  return $ Entity taskId task
```

```
getEntityTasks :: Handler [Entity Task]
```

```
getEntityTasks = runDB $ selectList [] []
```

```
deleteEntityTaskById :: TaskId -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

```
deleteEntityTaskById taskId = do
  entityTask <- getEntityTaskById taskId
  runDB $ delete taskId
  return $ entityTask
```

```
getEntityTaskById :: TaskId -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

```
getEntityTaskById taskId = do
  maybeTask <- runDB $ get taskId
  case maybeTask of
    Just task -> return $ Entity taskId task
    Nothing    -> throwError err404
```

```
-- will be defined later
```

```
runDB :: SqlPersistT IO a -> Handler a
```

Servant: Setup & run

```
taskListServer :: Server TaskListAPI
```

```
taskListServer
```

```
  =   getEntityTasks
    :<|> createEntityTask
    :<|> getEntityTaskById
    :<|> replaceEntityTaskById
    :<|> deleteEntityTaskById
```

```
taskListAPI :: Proxy TaskListAPI
```

```
taskListAPI = Proxy
```

```
taskListApp :: Application
```

```
taskListApp = serve taskListAPI taskListServer
```

```
main :: IO ()
```

```
main = run port taskListApp
```

```
  where port = 4000
```

- `Server` – type that handles requests to API
- `Proxy` guides type inference
- `taskListApp` – turns `Server` into WAI `Application`
- `run` creates the working web app

What is the issue?



Servant: Database integration

```
getEntityTasks :: Handler [Entity Task]
getEntityTasks = runDB $ selectList [] []
```

```
runDB :: SqlPersistT IO a -> Handler a
runDB query = do
  -- pseudo-code, don't try to repeat!
  connectToDatabase
  queryResult <- requestDatabase query
  return queryResult
```

Database connection pooling

```
runDB :: SqlPersistT IO a -> Handler a
```

```
runSqlPool
```

```
  :: SqlPersistT IO a -- query
```

```
  -> ConnectionPool  -- pool
```


```
  -> ReaderT r IO a
```

Connection pooling – a way to reduce the cost of opening and closing connections by maintaining a “pool” of opened connections that can be reused

Database connection pooling

```
runDB :: SqlPersistT IO a -> Handler a
```

```
runSqlPool  
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  -> ConnectionPool  -- pool  
  -> ReaderT r IO a
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Servant: Using another monad for handlers

```
taskListServer :: Server TaskListAPI
```

```
taskListServer
```

```
  =   getEntityTasks
```

```
    ...
```

```
type Server api = ServerT api Handler
```

Servant: Using another monad for handlers

```
taskListServer :: Server TaskListAPI
```

```
taskListServer
```

```
  =   getEntityTasks
```

```
    ...
```

```
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```

```
taskListServerT :: ServerT TaskListAPI App
```

```
taskListServerT
```

```
  =   getEntityTasks
```

```
    ...
```

```
data App = ?
```

Servant: Using another monad for handlers

```
newtype App a = App { runApp :: ReaderT Config Handler a }
  deriving
    ( Functor, Applicative, Monad, MonadIO
    , MonadReader Config, MonadError ServerError
    )
```

```
data Config
  = Config
  { configPool :: ConnectionPool
  , configPort :: Port
  }
```

Servant: Using another monad for handlers — before

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  -- pseudo-code, don't try to repeat!
  connectToDatabase
  queryResult <- requestDatabase query
  return queryResult
```

```
getEntityTasks
  :: Handler [Entity Task]

getEntityTaskById
  :: TaskId -> Handler (Entity Task)

createEntityTask
  :: Task -> Handler (Entity Task)

replaceEntityTaskById
  :: TaskId -> Task -> Handler (Entity Task)

deleteEntityTaskById
  :: TaskId -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

Servant: Using another monad for handlers — after

```
runDB :: SqlPersistT IO a -> App a
runDB query = do
  pool <- asks configPool
  liftIO $ runSqlPool query pool
```

```
getEntityTasks
  :: App [Entity Task]

getEntityTaskById
  :: TaskId -> App (Entity Task)

createEntityTask
  :: Task -> App (Entity Task)

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taskListServerT
```

```
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```

```
    ...
```

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```

```
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```

```
appToHandler :: Config -> App a -> Handler a
```

```
appToHandler config app = runReaderT (runApp app) config
```

```
taskListServer :: Config -> Server TaskListAPI
```

```
taskListServer config = hoistServer taskListAPI (appToHandler config) taskListServerT
```

```
taskListApp :: Config -> Application
```

```
taskListApp config = serve taskListAPI $ taskListServer config
```

Servant: Using another monad for handlers — after

```
main :: IO ()
main = runStderrLoggingT $
  withPostgresqlPool connectionStr connectionsNumber $ \pool ->
    liftIO $ do
      let config = Config
          { configPool = pool
          , configPort = defaultPort
          }

          runSqlPool (runMigration migrateAll) (configPool config)
          run (configPort config) (taskListApp config)
```


TODO-list by Yesod



Yesod: API

```
data TaskList = TaskList Config
```

```
mkYesod "TaskList" [parseRoutes|  
/api/task          TaskListR GET POST  
/api/task/#TaskId TaskR  GET DELETE PUT  
|]
```

- Route data type
- Parser and render functions
- `YesodDispatch` instance that
 - parse request
 - choose handler
 - run handler
- `Handler` type synonym
- Handlers type definitions

Yesod: Connect route to handler

```
/api/task/#TaskId TaskR PUT
```

```
put + TaskR = putTaskR
```

Yesod: Connect route to handler

```
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```

```
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```

```
putTaskR :: TaskId -> Handler Aeson.Value
```

```
putTaskR taskId = do
```

```
  _ <- getEntityTaskById taskId
```

```
  task :: Task <- requireCheckJsonBody
```

```
  entityTask <- replaceEntityTask taskId task
```

```
  sendStatusJSON ok200 $ toJSON entityTask
```

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```
  task :: Task <- requireCheckJsonBody
```

```
  entityTask <- replaceEntityTask taskId task
```

```
  sendStatusJSON ok200 $ toJSON entityTask
```

- Variable not in scope: putTaskR
 :: TaskId -> HandlerFor TaskList res0
 - Perhaps you meant 'getTaskR'
- ```
|
| mkYesod "TaskList" [parseRoutes|
| ^^^...
|
```

# Yesod: Handlers

## Handlers

```
getTaskListR :: Handler Value
```

```
getTaskListR = do
```

```
 tasks <- getEntityTasks
```

```
 sendStatusJSON ok200 $ toJSONList tasks
```

```
postTaskListR :: Handler Value
```

```
postTaskListR = do
```

```
 task :: Task <- requireCheckJsonBody
```

```
 entityTask <- createEntityTask task
```

```
 sendStatusJSON created201 $ toJSON entityTask
```

```
deleteTaskR :: TaskId -> Handler Value
```

```
deleteTaskR taskId = do
```

```
 entityTask <- getEntityTaskById taskId
```

```
 deleteEntityTask taskId
```

```
 sendStatusJSON ok200 $ toJSON entityTask
```

## DB helpers

```
getEntityTasks :: Handler [Entity Task]
```

```
getEntityTasks = runDB $ selectList [] []
```

```
getEntityTaskById :: TaskId -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

```
getEntityTaskById taskId = do
```

```
 task <- runDB $ get404 taskId
```

```
 return $ Entity taskId task
```

```
createEntityTask :: Task -> Handler (Entity Task)
```

```
createEntityTask task = do
```

```
 taskId <- runDB $ insert task
```

```
 return $ Entity taskId task
```

```
deleteEntityTask :: TaskId -> Handler ()
```

```
deleteEntityTask = runDB . delete
```

# Yesod: Handlers

## Handlers

```
getTaskListR :: Handler Value
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```

```
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```

```
 sendStatusJSON ok200 $ toJSONList tasks
```

```
postTaskListR :: Handler Value
```

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```

```
 task :: Task <- requireCheckJsonBody
```

```
 entityTask <- createEntityTask task
```

```
 sendStatusJSON created201 $ toJSON entityTask
```

```
deleteTaskR :: TaskId -> Handler Value
```

```
deleteTaskR taskId = do
```

```
 entityTask <- getEntityTaskById taskId
```

```
 deleteEntityTask taskId
```

```
 sendStatusJSON ok200 $ toJSON entityTask
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# Yesod: Database integration

```
data TaskList = TaskList Config
```

```
instance Yesod TaskList
```

```
data Config
```

```
 = Config
```

```
 { configPool :: ConnectionPool
```

```
 , configPort :: Port
```

```
 }
```

```
instance YesodPersist TaskList where
```

```
 type YesodPersistBackend TaskList = SqlBackend
```

```
 runDB action = do
```

```
 TaskList config <- getYesod
```

```
 runSqlPool action (configPool config)
```



# Yesod: Setup & run

```
main :: IO ()
main = runStderrLoggingT $
 withPostgresqlPool connectionStr connectionsNumber $ \pool ->
 liftIO $ do
 let config = Config
 { configPool = pool
 , configPort = defaultPort
 }

 runSqlPool (runMigration migrateAll) (configPool config)
 warp (configPort config) $ TaskList config
```

**TODO-list by IHP**



# IHP: Database entity generation

Tables



New Table



Name:

tasks

Use the plural form and underscores. E.g.: `projects`,  
`companies`, `user_reactions`

Create Table

New Column



content

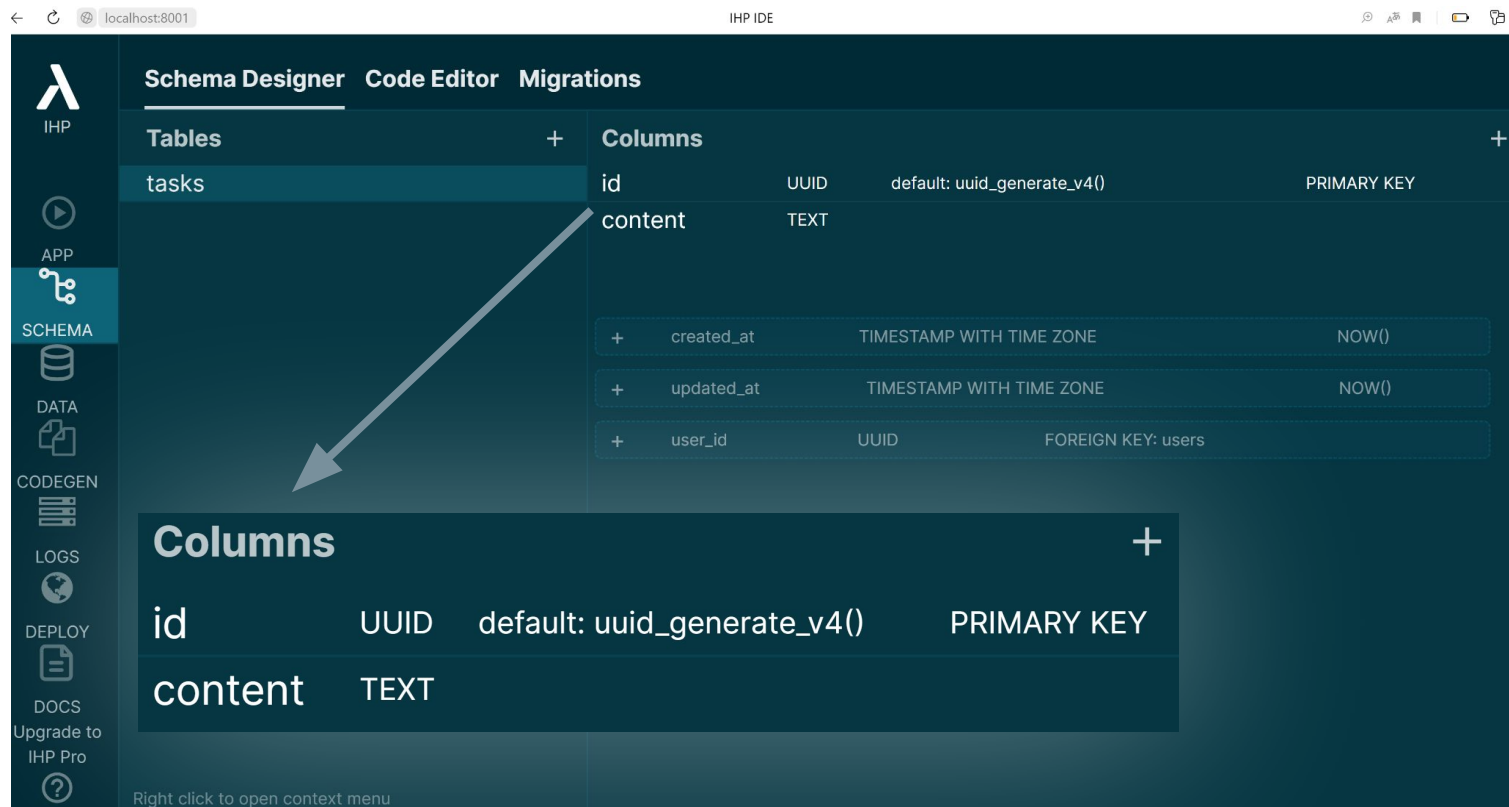
Text

Nullable  Unique  Primary Key  Array Type

no default

Create Column

# IHP: Database entity generation



The screenshot shows the IHP IDE interface in the Schema Designer tab. The main workspace displays a table named 'tasks' with the following columns:

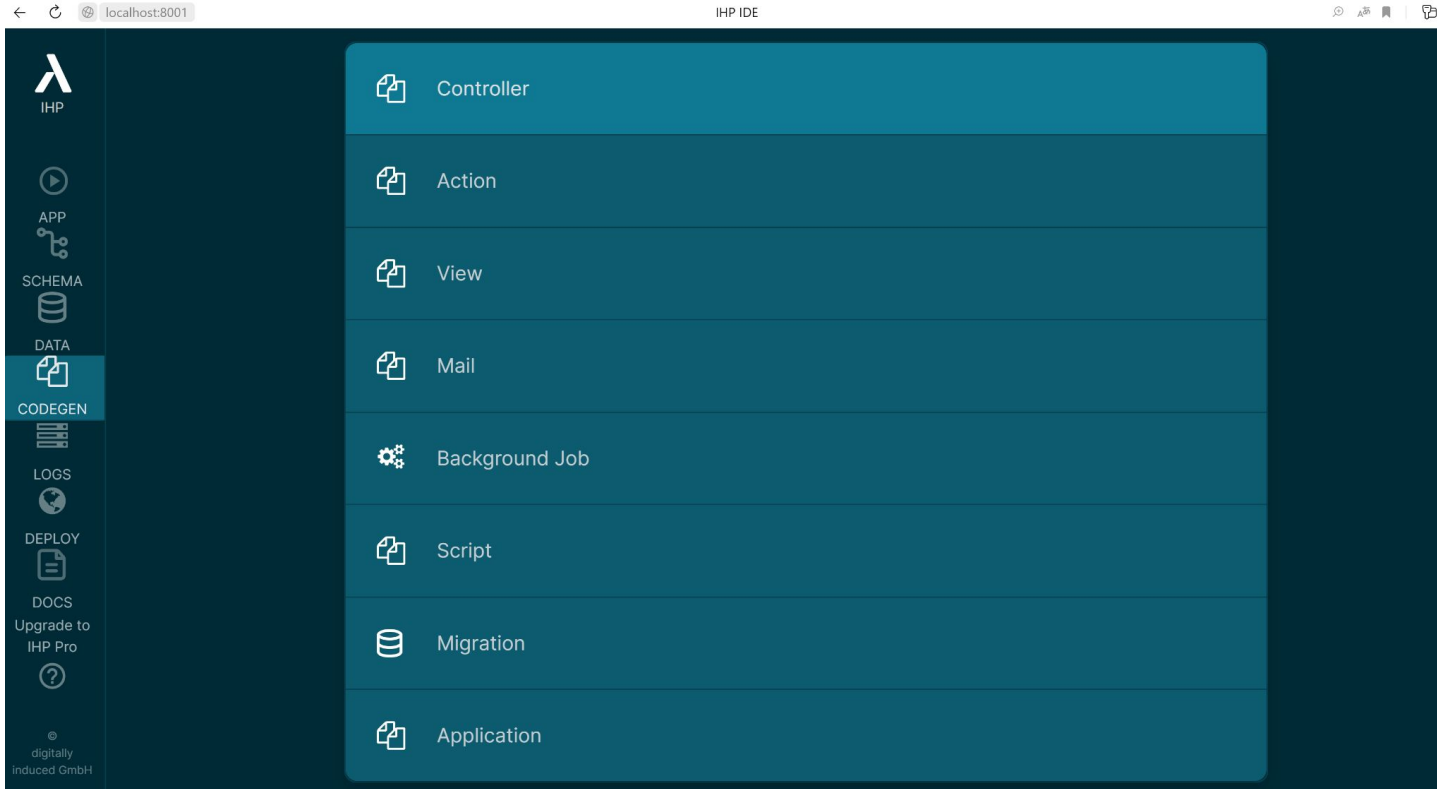
| Column Name | Type                     | Default Value               | Constraints        |
|-------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| id          | UUID                     | default: uuid_generate_v4() | PRIMARY KEY        |
| content     | TEXT                     |                             |                    |
| created_at  | TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE |                             | NOW()              |
| updated_at  | TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE |                             | NOW()              |
| user_id     | UUID                     |                             | FOREIGN KEY: users |

A modal window titled 'Columns' is open, showing a form to add a new column. The modal contains the following information:

| Column Name | Type | Default Value               | Constraints |
|-------------|------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| id          | UUID | default: uuid_generate_v4() | PRIMARY KEY |
| content     | TEXT |                             |             |

The interface includes a sidebar with navigation options: IHP, APP, SCHEMA, DATA, CODEGEN, LOGS, DEPLOY, and DOCS. The SCHEMA option is currently selected. At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a link to 'Upgrade to IHP Pro' and a help icon.

# IHP: Handlers generation



CODEGEN →  
Controller →  
Preview →  
Generate

# IHP: Handlers definition

```
data TasksController
 -- GET /Tasks (/api/task)
 = TasksAction

 -- POST /NewTask (/api/task)
 | NewTaskAction

 -- GET /ShowTask?taskId={id} (/api/task/{id})
 | ShowTaskAction { taskId :: !(Id Task) }
 | CreateTaskAction

 -- PUT /EditTask?taskId={id} (/api/task/{id})
 | EditTaskAction { taskId :: !(Id Task) }
 | UpdateTaskAction { taskId :: !(Id Task) }

 -- DELETE /DeleteTask?taskId={id} (/api/task/{id})
 | DeleteTaskAction { taskId :: !(Id Task) }

deriving (Eq, Show, Data)
```

# IHP: Handlers implementation

```
instance Controller TasksController where
```

```
 action TasksAction = do
 tasks <- query @Task |> fetch
 render IndexView { .. }
```

```
 action NewTaskAction = do
 let task = newRecord
 render NewView { .. }
```

```
 action ShowTaskAction { taskId } = do
 task <- fetch taskId
 render ShowView { .. }
```

# IHP: Frontend

```
data ShowView = ShowView { task :: Task }
```

```
instance View ShowView where
```

```
 html ShowView { .. } = [hsx|
```

```
 {breadcrumb}
```

```
 <h1>Content</h1>
```

```
 <p>{task.content}</p>
```

```
 |]
```

```
 where
```

```
 breadcrumb = renderBreadcrumb
```

```
 [breadcrumbLink "Tasks" TasksAction
```

```
 , breadcrumbText "Show Task"
```

```
]
```



# IHP: Ready web app

localhost:8000 App

[Tasks](#)

# Index

[+ New](#)

**Task**

|                                    |                      |                        |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <a href="#">Wake up!!!</a>         | <a href="#">Edit</a> | <a href="#">Delete</a> |
| <a href="#">Drink coffee ;)</a>    | <a href="#">Edit</a> | <a href="#">Delete</a> |
| <a href="#">Prepare good talk!</a> | <a href="#">Edit</a> | <a href="#">Delete</a> |

# IHP: JSON handlers

[\(docs\)](#)

```
instance Controller TasksController where
```

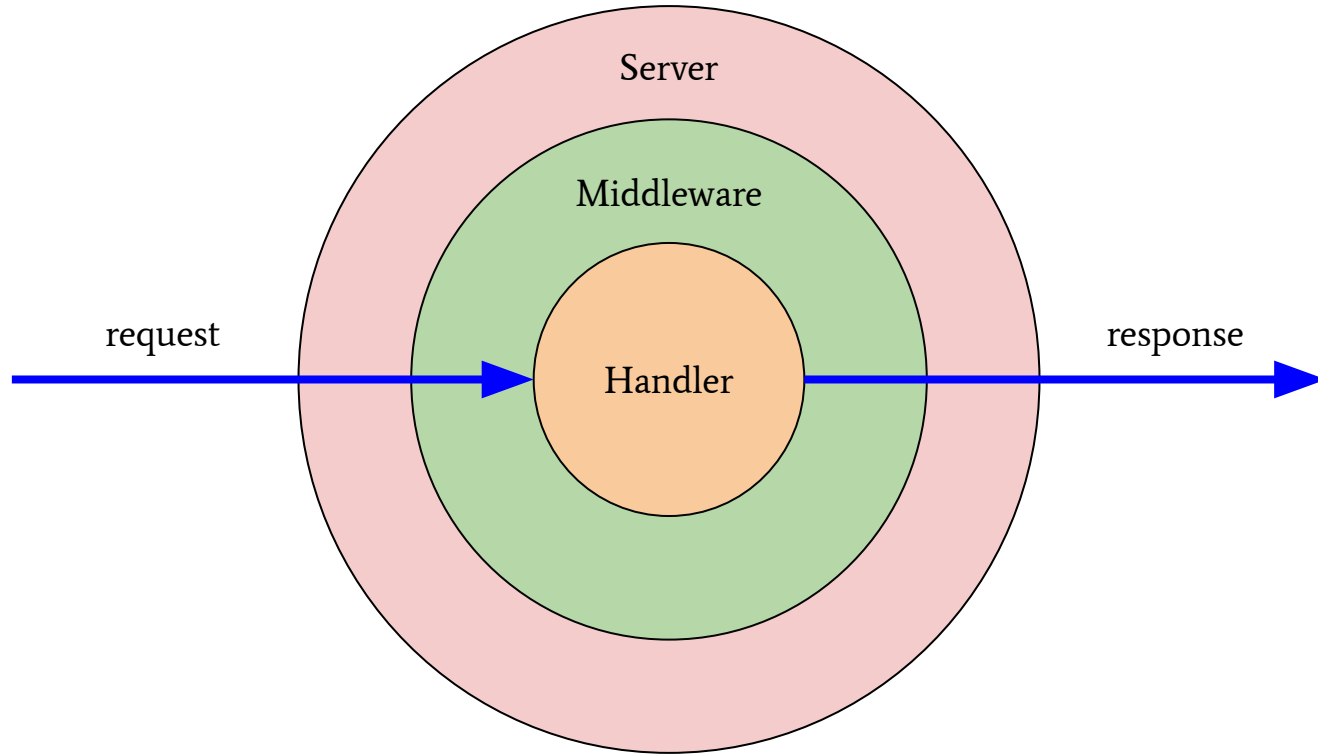
```
 action TasksAction = do
 tasks <- query @Task |> fetch
 renderJson $ toJSON tasks
```

```
 action NewTaskAction = do
 let task = newRecord
 renderJson $ toJSON task
```

```
 action ShowTaskAction { taskId } = do
 task <- fetch taskId
 renderJson $ toJSON task
```

# Logging middleware

# Middleware



# Middleware in Haskell

WAI – generic web application interface between web server and application that Haskell web tools use under the hood

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```
type Middleware = Application -> Application
```

```
type Application = Request -> (Response -> IO ResponseReceived) -> IO ResponseReceived
```

# Custom logger definition

```
logger :: Middleware
```

```
logger :: Application -> Application
```

```
logger
 :: Application
 -> Request
 -> (Response -> IO ResponseReceived)
 -> IO ResponseReceived
```

```
logger :: Middleware
```

```
logger app request responseFunc = do
 let requestedPath = intercalate "/" $
 pathInfo request
 msg = "url-path=" <> requestedPath
 runStdoutLoggingT $ logInfoN msg
 app request responseFunc
```

# Servant: Integrate logger

```
main :: IO ()
main = runStdoutLoggingT $
 withPostgresqlPool connectionStr connectionsNumber $
 \pool -> liftIO $ do
 let config = Config
 { configPool = pool
 , configPort = defaultPort
 }

 runSqlPool (runMigration migrateAll) (configPool
config)

 -- apply logger middleware
 run (configPort config) . logger $ taskListApp config
```

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 \pool -> liftIO $ do
 let config = Config
 { configPool = pool
 , configPort = defaultPort
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config)

 app <- toWaiAppPlain $ TaskList config

 -- apply logger middleware
 run (configPort config) . logger $ app
```

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type Middleware =
 Application -> Application
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# IHP: Integrate logger

```
config :: ConfigBuilder
config = do
 option Development
 option (AppHostname "localhost")

 -- Add custom middleware
 option $ CustomMiddleware logger
```

# Middleware logs

```
[Info] url-path=api/task/5
[Info] url-path=api/task/
[Info] url-path=api/task
[Info] url-path=api/task/8/
[Info] url-path=api/task/3
[Info] url-path=/
[Info] url-path=api/task
```

# Final overview

# Servant: Final overview

## Pros:

1. Lightweight, good when REST backend is needed as a part of a bigger app
2. Ability to use another monad for handlers and add effects you need (e.g. ReaderT)
3. Handlers could be combined to get rid of repetition
4. API type information could be used for creating type-safe handlers, and generating swagger schema, typescript types and so on

## Cons:

1. Confusing to set up and run an application
2. API syntax is not clear at the first glance
3. Needs some understanding of how it works under the hood
4. Not much info in official docs/tutorials, need to look for examples at github, related articles might be outdated and have poor explanations

# Yesod: Final overview

## Pros:

1. Has all you need to implement simple web app, including frontend
2. Provides lots of handy, convenient functions out of the box
3. Nice and simple DSL for specifying routes
4. Easy to set up
5. Convenient and simple integration with database via Persistent library
6. Nice docs (Yesod book) with plenty of examples
7. Simple app (aka CRUD) could be implemented without deep knowledge of how the framework works under the hood
8. Some popular middleware built-in

## Cons:

1. Framework, might be heavy to integrate to other projects (to use outside of its ecosystem)
2. Not so powerful API like in Servant, need to do manual conversions (from/to JSON)

# IHP: Final overview

## Pros:

1. Allows to make a simple app in a few minutes, using cool features like code generation and GUI schema designer
2. Built-in development server (hot reload)
3. Great docs with examples, easy-to-find info
4. No need to understand how it works to make a simple app
5. Possibility to use Elm/PureScript on top of IHP and access JavaScript/TypeScript to create a hybrid frontend
6. Good support by maintainers

## Cons:

1. “No-code” GUI builder may look unfamiliar
2. High CPU usage of built-in development server
3. Relatively young, version 1.0 released at October 2022 (though, first public version was released two years ago)
4. Only supports Postgres in the open-source version, other platforms are in the roadmap for paid version
5. Not obvious how to add third-party libraries (e.g. Katip for logging)

# Source code

- TODO-list Servant: [github.com/alyoanton9/todo-list-servant](https://github.com/alyoanton9/todo-list-servant)
- TODO-list Yesod: [github.com/alyoanton9/todo-list-yesod](https://github.com/alyoanton9/todo-list-yesod)
- TODO-list IHP: [github.com/alyoanton9/todo-list-ihp](https://github.com/alyoanton9/todo-list-ihp)

**That's all!**  
**Many thanks!**

