

Coatl – OSLC wrapper for APIs

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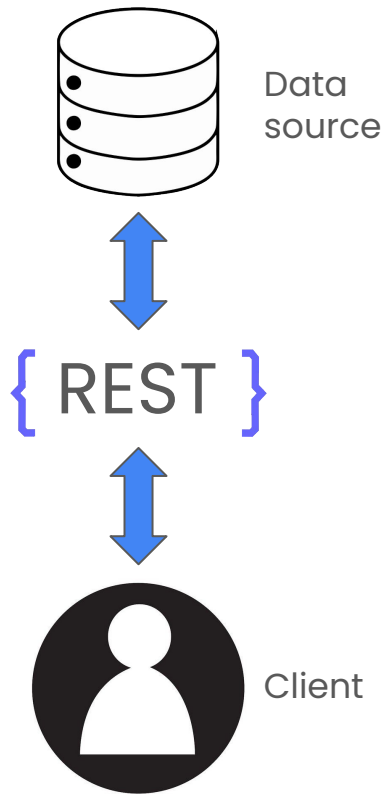
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Idea

Most web applications provide REST API architecture

REST APIs are good “data containers”, they provide a summary of application data.

REST API cannot connect with applications that work under OSLC specifications.



Motivation

In order to create OSLC API developers need to employ a certain amount of time to accomplish it but...

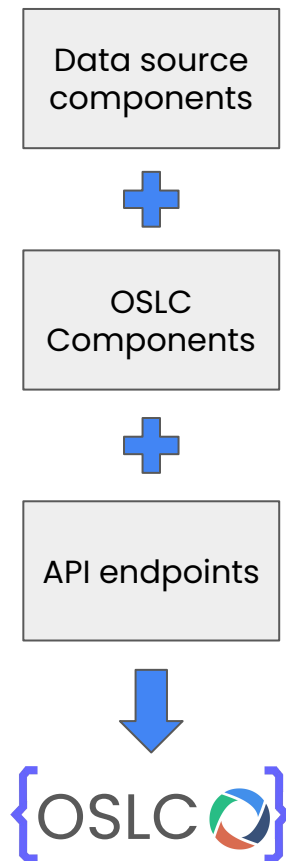
What if:

Develop another OSLC API?

Need the OSLC API now?

Partial solution: we can reuse some OSLC API components such as:

- ❑ **Data source components** → Fetch data
- ❑ **OSLC Components** → Parse data into RDF
- ❑ **API endpoints** → HTTP requests



Inspiration

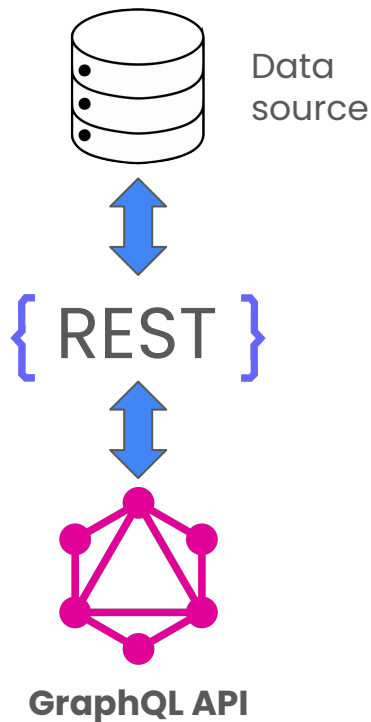
GraphQL:

- ❑ Query language for APIs
- ❑ Clients requests only data that they need

GraphQL server such as Apollo or Graphene can be employed to wrap a REST API and make requests to the REST API.

In order to wrap REST APIs the server uses modules:

- ❑ **Type definitions** → Data model
- ❑ **Resolvers** → Functions to perform mapping



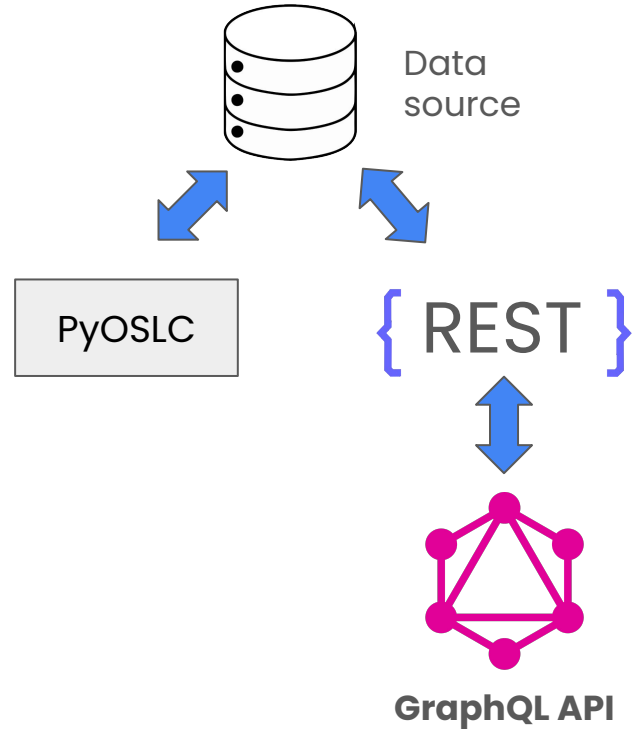
Inspiration

PyOSLC:

- ❑ SDK based on Python
- ❑ Expose databases as OSLC SP
- ❑ Mapping of data sources into RDF

PyOSLC perform its operations by using modules:

- ❑ **RDF Mapping**
- ❑ **OSLC resources** described as Python objects

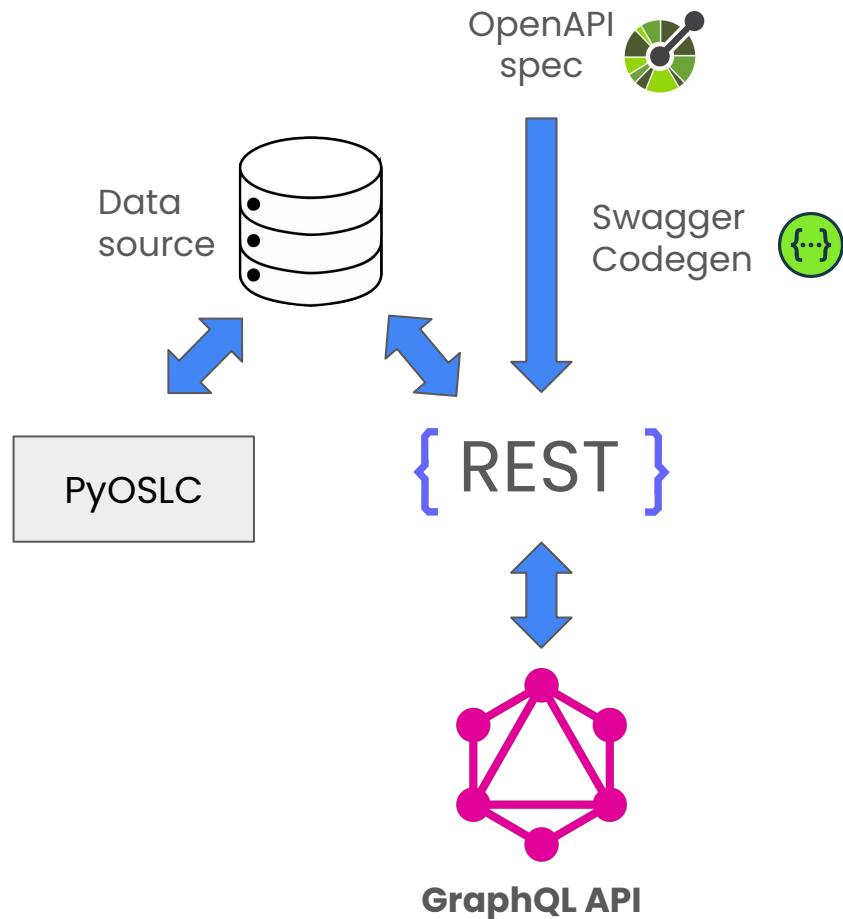


Inspiration

OpenAPI Specification (OA Spec) → API description format for REST APIs.

Swagger → Set of open-source tools for designing, building and documenting REST APIs.

Swagger Codegen → Generates server stub, client libraries from an OpenAPI spec, create/use custom generators.



What about creating a similar approach using OSLC?

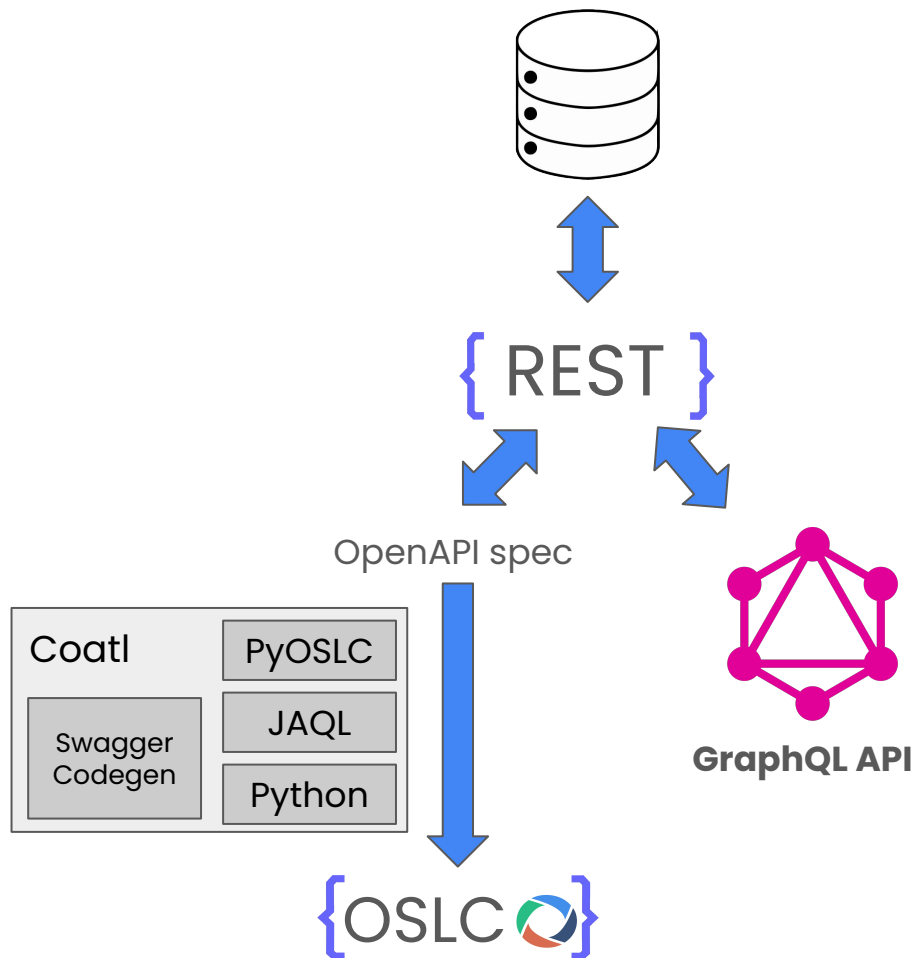
Solution

Coatl → OSLC wrapper for REST APIs

Based on **Swagger Codegen / Python**

Necessary:

- REST API
- Swagger Codegen libraries
- Open API document



How Coatl works?

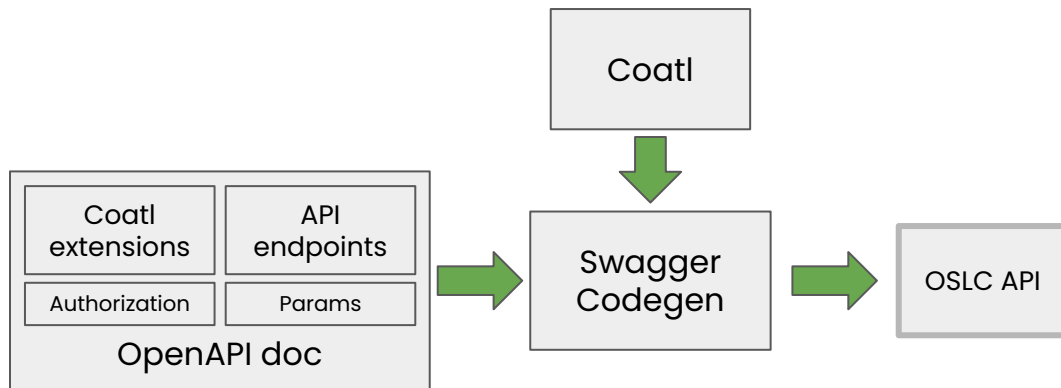
Coatl works by documenting REST API data into OA spec with extensions.

Input: OpenAPI spec file

Output: OSLC API

Specify:

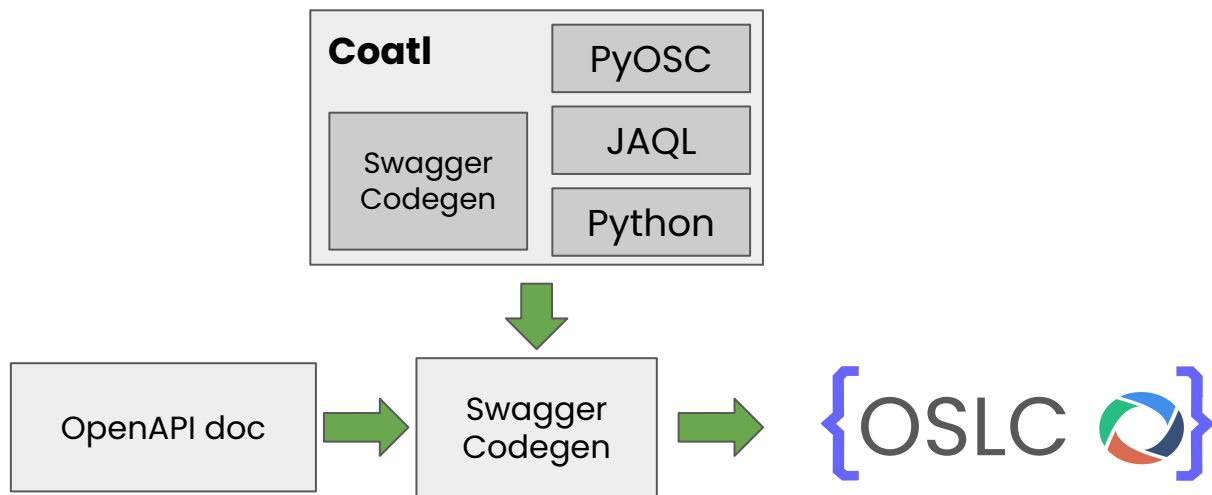
- OSLC API endpoints
- Coatl extensions:
 - REST API → OSLC API data source
 - JSON keys of REST → RDF properties



How to use Coatl?

You need to perform two operations:

1. **Create OpenAPI spec**
2. **Generate OSLC API** by using Swagger Codegen



1.- OpenAPI document

Specify an OpenAPI document:

OSLC API endpoints

Via vendor extensions:

- **REST API URLs** → OSLC API data source
- **JSON keys** → RDF properties

```
paths:  
  /catalog:  
    get:  
      tags:  
        - "OSLC Services"  
      summary: "Get the OSLC Service Provider Catalog"  
      operationId: "get_catalog"  
      responses:  
        200:  
          description: "successful operation"  
      x-OSLC-ServiceProviderCatalog:  
        dataSource: "https://api.github.com/orgs/koneksys"  
        description: "description"  
        title: "name"  
      domain:  
        - "http://open-services.net/ns/rm#"
```

OpenAPI Coatl Extensions for OSLC

The following extensions are employed to map REST API URL/data into OSLC Structure:

Operations

- x-Jazz-Root Services
- x-OSLC-Service Provider Catalog
- x-OSLC-ServiceProvider
- x-OSLC-Services
 - Query Capability
 - UI dialog
- x-OSLC-UI-Preview

Endpoints

- x-OSLC-QueryCapability-endpoint
- x-OSLC-Publisher-endpoint
- x-OSLC-ResourceShape-endpoint
- x-OSLC-SelectDialog-endpoint
- x-Jazz-Configuration-Catalog

Models

- x-OSLC-ResourceProperties
- x-RDF-Vocabulary

Configuration Management

- x-OSLC-Components
- x-OSLC-Baseline
- x-OSLC-Stream
- x-OSLC-Configuration-Selection
- x-OSLC-Configuration-Versioned-Resource

Example: REST API endpoints

The data provided by Github API endpoints will be employed to create a Github OSLC API resources.

GET: <https://api.github.com/orgs/koneksys>

```
{
  "login": "koneksys",
  "id": 16809825,
  ...
  "repos_url": "https://api.github.com/orgs/koneksys/repos",
  "description": "Software services based on state-of-the-art non-proprietary",
  "name": "Koneksys"
}
```

GET: <https://api.github.com/orgs/koneksys/repos>

```
[
  {
    "name": "KFE",
    "full_name": "koneksys/KFE",
    "trees_url": "https://api.github.com/repos/koneksys/KFE/git/trees/{sha}"
    ...
  },
  {
    "name": "Web-Based-SysML-Block-Diagram",
    "full_name": "koneksys/Web-Based-SysML-Block-Diagram",
    "trees_url": "https://api.github.com/repos/koneksys/Web-Based-SysML-Block-Diagram/git/trees/{sha}"
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  },
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OSLC API data source

REST resource describing github account.

Github API URL:

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```

OpenAPI spec with Coatl extensions for OSLC Service Provider Catalog creation.

```
x-OSLC-ServiceProviderCatalog:
  dataSource: https://api.github.com/orgs/koneksys
  description: "description"
  title: "name"
  domain:
    - http://open-services.net/ns/rm#
```

OSLC Service Provider Catalog resource describing github account.

```
@prefix ns1: <http://open-services.net/ns/core#> .
@prefix ns2: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .

<https://github-oslc-api/oslc/catalog> a ns1:ServiceProviderCatalog ;
  ns2:description "Software services based on state-of-the-art n
  ns2:publisher <https://github-oslc-api/oslc/publisher> ;
  ns2:title "Koneksys" .
```

JSON keys → RDF

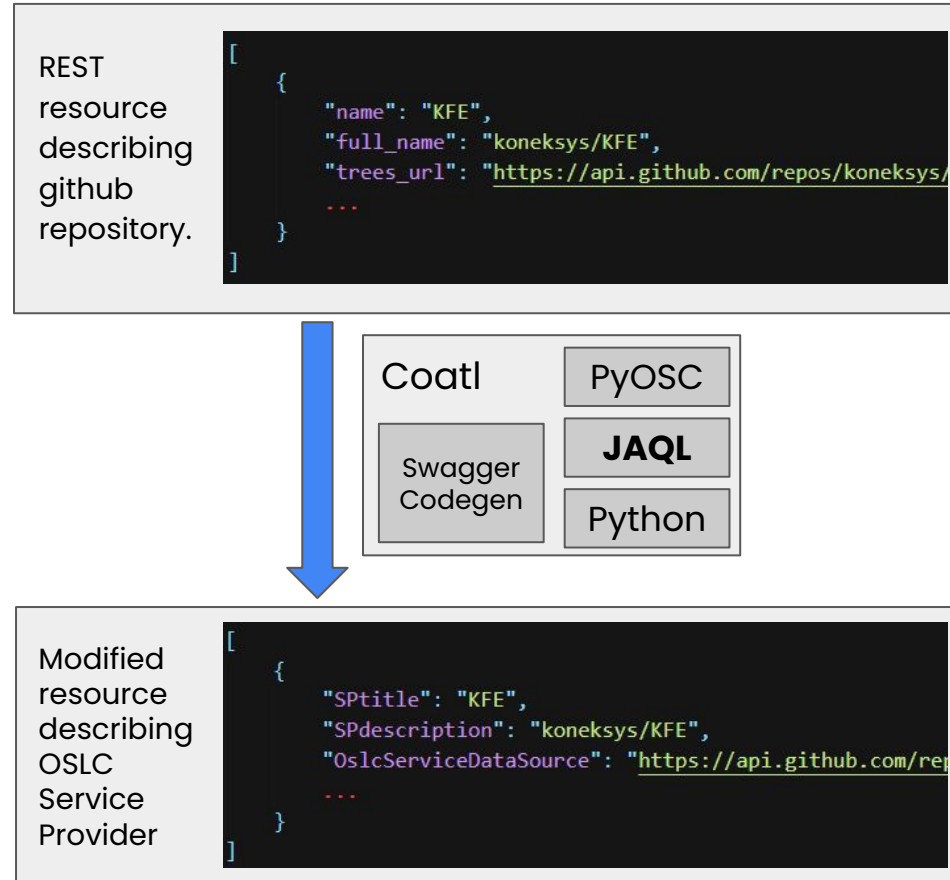
JSON Query Language (JAQL) is employed to parse JSON data into RDF properties

JAQL → Handle stored data in JSON documents.

JAQL provides tools to perform other operations such as:

- ❑ Get keys from JSON nested data
- ❑ Multiple Selection
- ❑ Functions expressions

Coatl contains libraries for managing JAQL queries.



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  ns2:title "Koneksys" .
```


JSON keys → RDF

REST resource describing github repository.

Github API URL:

<https://api.github.com/orgs/koneksys/repo>

```
[  
  {  
    "name": "KFE",  
    "full_name": "koneksys/KFE",  
    "trees_url": "https://api.github.com/repos/koneksys/KFE/git/trees/...",  
    ...  
  },  
  {  
    ...  
  }  
]
```

OpenAPI spec with Coatl extensions for OSLC Service Provider creation.

```
x-OSLC-ServiceProvider:  
  serviceProviderId: [:].name  
  title: [:].name  
  description: [:].full_name
```

OSLC Service Provider resource describing github repository.

```
<https://github-oslc-api/oslc/provider/KFE> a ns1:Service  
  ns2:description "koneksys/KFE" ;  
  ns2:identifier "KFE"^^xsd:string ;  
  ns2:publisher <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/publisher>  
  ns2:title "KFE"^^xsd:Literal .
```

JSON keys → RDF

REST resource describing github files.

Github API URL:

<https://api.github.com/repos/koneksys/KFE/git/trees/master?recursive=1>

```
{  
  "tree": [  
    {  
      "path": "FEA_model/FEA_Model_1.py",  
      "size": 5028,  
      ...  
    },  
    ...  
  ],  
}
```

OpenAPI spec with CoatI extensions for OSLC Query Capability service creation.

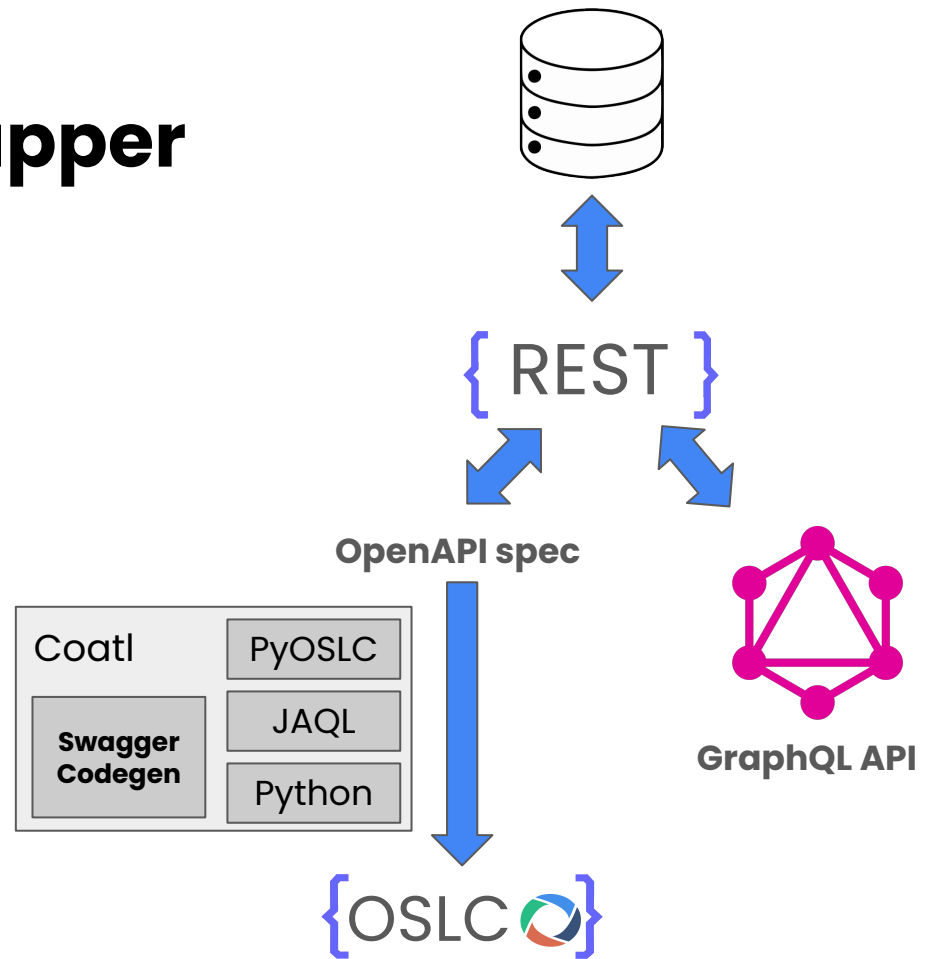
```
x-OSLC-Services:  
- queryCapability: "github_files"  
  dataSource: '[:].join(`, [to_string(trees_url),`/master?recursive=1`])'  
  query: "tree[:].{id: replace_all_substrings(path, `/`, `~`), title: repla
```

OSLC artifact describing a single github file.

```
<https://github-oslc-api/oslc/provider/KFE/resources/github  
ns3:instanceShape <https://github-oslc-api/oslc/provid  
ns3:serviceProvider <https://github-oslc-api/oslc/prov  
ns2:identifier "FEA model-FEA Model 1.py" ;  
ns2:title "FEA model-FEA Model 1.py" ;  
ns1:size "5028"
```

2.- Create OSLC wrapper

OSLC API will be created through Swagger Codegen and Coatl library.



Result → Live demo

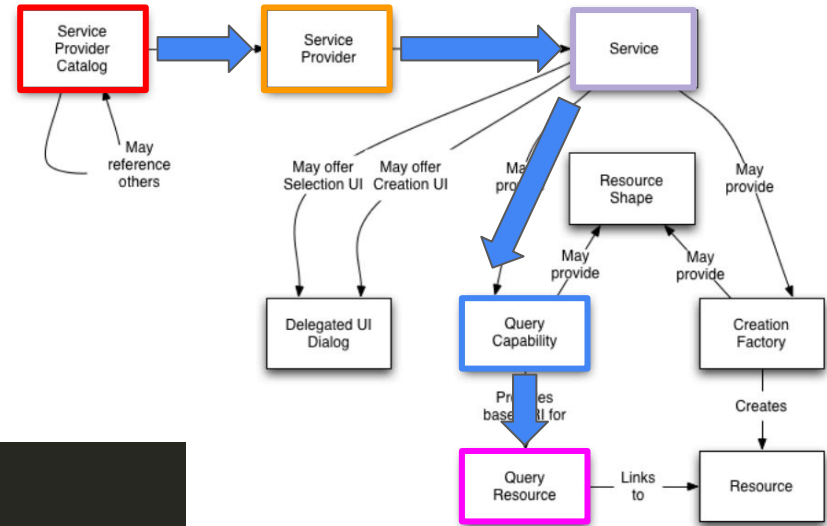
The information provided by REST API is exposed through OSLC Resources.

Github API example:

```
@prefix ns1: <http://open-services.net/ns/core#> .
@prefix ns2: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .

<http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/catalog> a ns1:ServiceProviderCatalog ;
  ns1:domain <http://open-services.net/ns/rm#> ;
  ns1:serviceProvider <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/Blockchain4LinkedData>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/Git4RDF>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/KFE>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/KLD>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/SPARQL_to_GraphFrames>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/Web-Based-SysML-Block-Diagram>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/aras-oslc>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/cameo2rdf>,
    <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/oslc_openapi_extensions> ;
  ns2:description "Software services based on state-of-the-art non-proprietary web
  ns2:publisher <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/publisher> ;
  ns2:title "Koneksys" .
```

```
<http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/KFE> a ns2:ServiceProvider ;
  ns3:globalConfigurationAware "yes"^^xsd:String ;
  ns3:supportContributionsToLinkIndexProvider true ;
  ns3:supportLinkDiscoveryViaLinkIndexProvider true ;
  ns3:supportOSLCSimpleQuery true ;
  ns2:details <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/KFE> ;
  ns2:service [ ns2:Service ;
    ns2:domain <http://open-services.net/ns/rm#> ;
    ns2:queryCapability [ ns2:QueryCapability ;
      ns2:label "Query capability for repository content (SP: KFE)"^^xsd:string ;
      ns2:queryBase <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/KFE/resources/github_files> ;
      ns2:resourceShape <http://127.0.0.1:5000/oslc/provider/KFE/resourceshape/github_files> ;
```



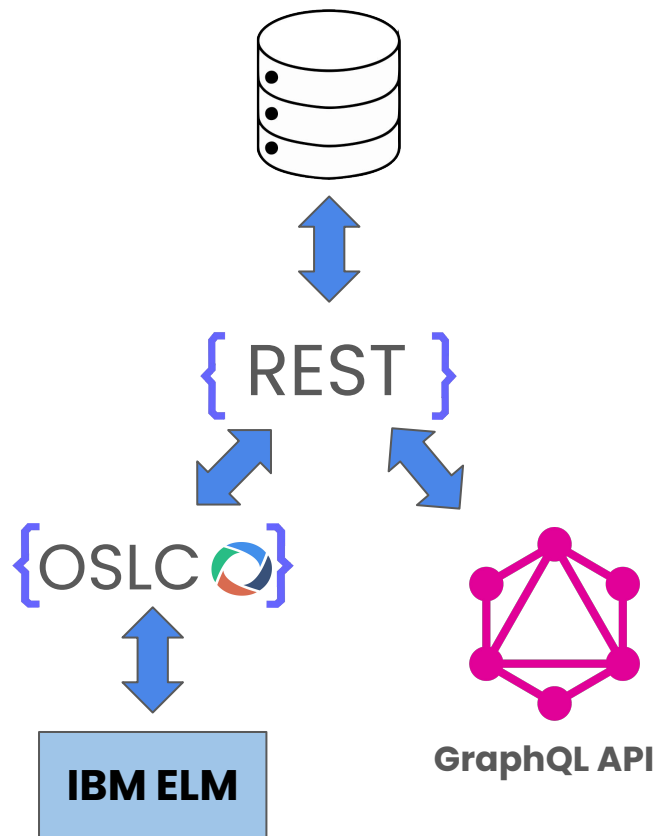
Coatl extensions for integration with IBM ELM™

IBM ELM_{TM}

- ❑ Provides integrated end-to-end solution across all engineering data.
- ❑ Optimizes collaboration and communication across all stakeholders.

OSLC APIs integration

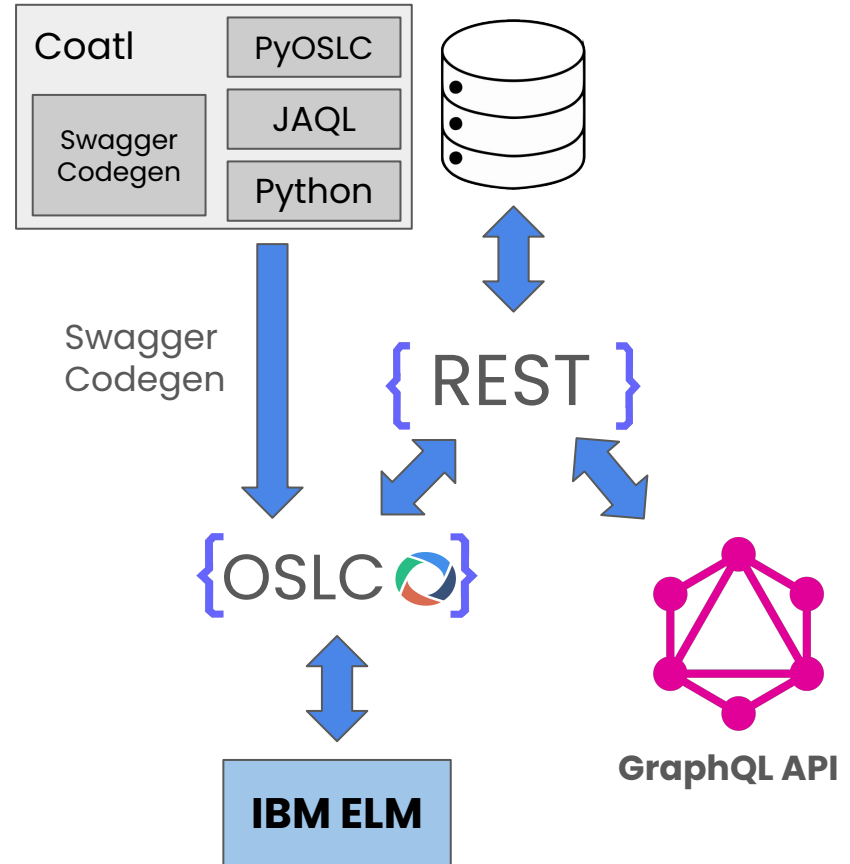
- ❑ Enables extensibility through open standards such as OSLC
- ❑ Optimize communication, collaboration and verification of artifacts from different vendors
- ❑ Improve decision-making by linking artifacts from different vendors to Jazz.



Coatl & IBM/ELM™

Support for OAuth v1.0a for registering external OSLC API as Jazz friend application which enables:

- ❑ To associate providers (e.g. Github repo/OSLC SP) to a IBM ELM project
- ❑ To use delegated dialogs from external OSLC API within IBM ELM apps
- ❑ To define contributing components from external OSLC API to a global component in IBM GCM



Next steps

Next steps (OSLC)

- ❑ Improve RDF mapping definition in OpenAPI Spec
- ❑ OSLC Configuration Management compatible with IBM ELM
- ❑ Tracked Resource Set

Next steps (Code)

- ❑ Deploy new OSLC APIs in cloud / container
- ❑ Include in Coatl library more automated tests
- ❑ Test Coatl library with more REST APIs
- ❑ Include Coatl library support for OpenAPI 3.0

Conclusion

- ❑ **Coatl** → OSLC wrapper for REST APIs
- ❑ **Automatic code generation**
- ❑ Coatl significantly **reduce the implementation effort** for developers creating OSLC APIs
- ❑ Developers **only need to understand OSLC concepts**, they **don't need to program** them

Questions about CoatI?
See a CoatI demo?

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