# Ajax and Web Services in PHP

# Google AdWords API with APIlity

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# Agenda





Presentation of the speaker and introduction



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AdWords goes Ajax: APIlity "ajaxified" (live demo)



Mashing up Google Checkout and AdWords (live demo)



Questions

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# Introduction to Google AdWords



#### How does AdWords work?

- You create your ads
   You create ads and choose keywords, which are words or
   phrases related to your business
- Your ads appear on Google
   When people search on Google using one of your
   keywords, your ad may appear next to the search results
- People can simply click your ad to make a purchase or learn more about you



# Google's AdWords API



Why does AdWords require an API?

**API** = **A**pplication **P**rogramming **I**nterface, permits two or more systems to talk efficiently to each other



The API defines a programmatic way to access AdWords



## What is the AdWords API good for?

- Lets developers design computer programs that interact directly with the AdWords platform.
- Allows automation of common tasks such as:
  - Generating automatic keyword, ad text, and custom reports
  - Integrating AdWords with databases or inventory systems
  - Developing additional applications

Who can use the AdWords API?

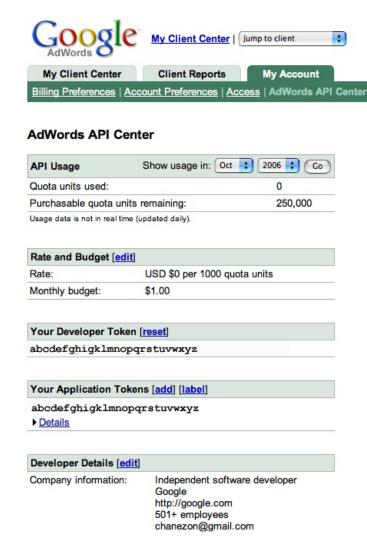


- All advertizers can use the API
- Simply sign up for a My Client Center account





## How is API usage administrated?



- Each API user is assigned a unique developer token which is linked to the user's My Client Center account
- Quota costs \$0.25/1000 quota units, billed to a developer token
- Application token is specific to the application you develop
- Users can access information about their API usage via the AdWords API Center and
  - Generate, view, or reset their developer token
  - Check their quota allocation and quota units consumed



## Where can I get started?

- Using the Developer Website, developers can find valuable resources to help them create applications
- Designed to be a do-it-yourself program



#### **Key components:**

- Developer's Guide
- Developer Forum
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Sample Code
- Blog

http://www.google.com/apis/adwords



### What does API usage cost?

- Usage is measured in quota
- Each unit costs \$0.25

Type of Operation	Quota Unit(s)
Keyword status	1 unit
Change keyword bid	10 units
Traffic estimator	25 units
Add keyword	50 units
Add creative	250 units
Pull report	1000 units

- This is a simplified version of the actual rate sheet, which lists all available API services
- However, the numbers reflected here are accurate and represent all the changes that are being made



## How do I sign up for API usage?

#### **Production**



- Go to http://www.google.com/apis/adwords
- Create your MCC (My Client Center) account using your email address and password
- Developer and application tokens will be generated
- Set a limit for API quota: you pay for quota
- Visit the API website to view more information including documentation, sample code, and the Developer Forum

#### **Sandbox**



- For development create a sandbox account
- No quota cost there

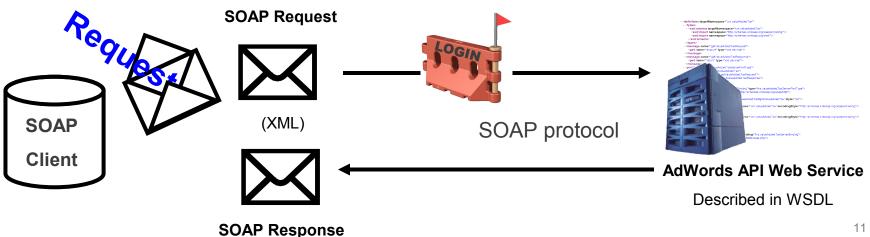


#### What do I need in order to use the AdWords API?

- SOAP-based API → multi-language compatibility
- Supported languages: Java, .NET, Perl, PHP, Python, OCaml, Ruby, XML, and more...

#### What is SOAP?

 Protocol for exchanging XML-based messages over a computer network, normally using HTTP



## AdWords SOAP details



#### What goes actually on the wire?

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<env:Envelope xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"</pre>
    xmlns:env="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <env:Header>
    <developerToken env:mustUnderstand="0">your dev token
    </developerToken >
    <applicationToken env:mustUnderstand="0">your app token
    </applicationToken >
    <useragent env:mustUnderstand="0">P@ playing with the API from PHP
    </useragent>
    <password env:mustUnderstand="0">your password
    </password>
    <email env:mustUnderstand="0">toto@example.com
    </email>
  </env:Header>
  <env:Bodv>
    <estimateKeywordList xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">
      <keywordRequests>
        <maxCpc>50000</maxCpc>
        <text>flowers</text>
        <type>Broad</type>
      </keywordRequests>
    </estimateKeywordList>
  </env:Body>
</env:Envelope>
```



#### What's in the SOAP header?



#### How about the SOAP body?

- Schema defined in the WSDL file for the service
- Namespaced with version specific URL

```
https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/vN
```



```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
    xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Header>
    <responseTime soapenv:actor="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/actor/next"</pre>
      soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"
      xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">1999</responseTime>
    <operations soapenv:actor="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/actor/next"</pre>
      soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"
      xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">1</operations>
    <units soapenv:actor="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/actor/next"</pre>
      soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"
      xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">25</units>
    <requestId soapenv:actor="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/actor/next"</pre>
      soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"
      xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">e701e5123f[...]</requestId>
  </soapenv:Header>
  <soapenv:Body>
     <estimateKeywordListResponse xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">
       <estimateKeywordListReturn>
         \langle id \rangle - 1 \langle /id \rangle
         <lowerAvgPosition>7.0</lowerAvgPosition>
         <lowerClicksPerDay>111.112045</lowerClicksPerDay>
         <lowerCpc>50000</lowerCpc>
         <upperAvgPosition>10.0</upperAvgPosition>
         <upperClicksPerDay>167.89006</upperClicksPerDay>
         <upperCpc>50000</upperCpc>
       </estimateKeywordListReturn>
    </estimateKeywordListResponse>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```



What's in the SOAP response body?

```
<soapenv:Body>
  <estimateKeywordListResponse</pre>
      xmlns="https://adwords.google.com/api/adwords/v6">
    <estimateKeywordListReturn>
      \langle id \rangle - 1 \langle /id \rangle
      <lowerAvgPosition>7.0</lowerAvgPosition>
      <lowerClicksPerDay>111.112045/lowerClicksPerDay>
      <lowerCpc>50000</lowerCpc>
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```



#### How about error handling?

- SOAP fault elements
- Include AdWords specific fields: code, message, trigger



I don't care about SOAP. I speak {Java|PHP|Perl|...}



No, thanks!

- External developers and Google offer client libraries that provide an abstraction from SOAP
  - Java Client Library (Java)
  - Adwords4r (Ruby)
  - Merjis AdWords Toolkit (OCaml)
  - **—** ...

# This presentation is about APIlity [apiliti]

 Like "ability" but with 'p', for PHP and the ability to do whatever you want with the API.

# Google APIlity Library



## Tell me more about APIlity's features!

- Fully object oriented
- Runs in both PHP4, and PHP5



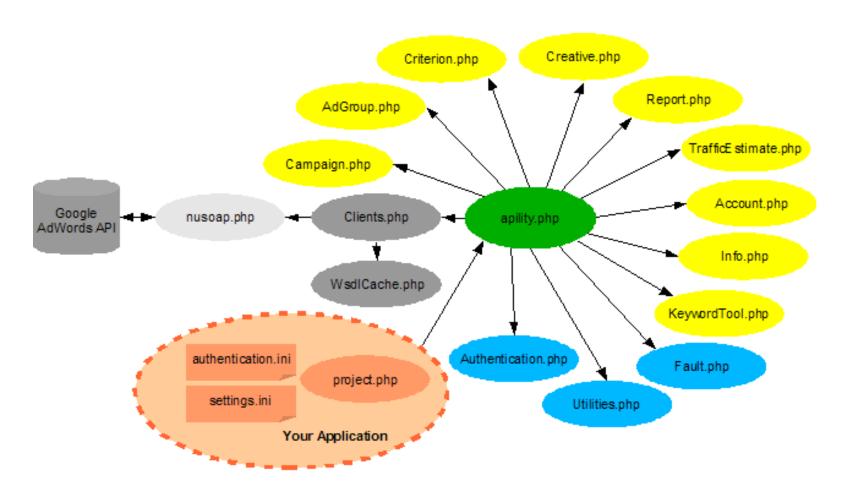
- Consistent in usage, all objects have adequate methods
- Released under the very business-friendly BSD licence
- Open source project everyone is encouraged to modify, read or learn from the sources

## Which credo has guided the development of APIlity?

- Larry Wall: "Easy things should be easy and hard things should be possible"
  - → http://google-apility.sourceforge.net

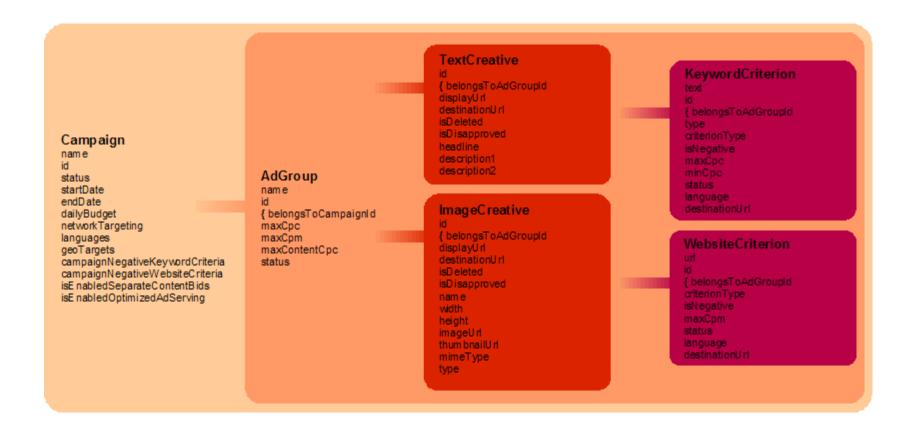


## APIlity's class architecture





## APIlity's object hierarchy





## Object oriented design:

```
- $adGroupObject = createAdGroupObject(123456789);
$adGroupObject->setName("newName");
$adGroupObject->setMaxCpc(0.65);
echo "MaxCPC: ".$adGroupObject->getMaxCpc()
```

## Principle of the least surprise → consistency

- Setting object statuses
  - \$adGroupObject->setStatus("Paused");
     \$campaignObject->setStatus("Paused");
- Removing objects

```
- removeAdGroup($adGroupObject);
- removeCampaign($campaignObject);
- removeCriterion($criterionObject);
```



## Programming samples:

Hello World

```
- require_once('apility.php');
  print r( getAllCampaigns() );
```

- Adding a new keyword: addKeywordCriterion()
  - Parameters:
    - String text
    - Integer belongsToAdGroupId
    - String type
    - Boolean isNegative
    - Integer maxCpc
    - String language
    - \*String destinationUrl
  - \$criterion = addKeywordCriterion("Forum PHP",
     123456789, "Exact", false, 0.65, "fr",
     "http://www.google.fr");



APIlity live demo

# Having fun with APIlity



## APIlity allows data export in XML format

- \$campaignObject = createCampaignObject(123456789);
  echo ( \$campaignObject->toXml() );
- XML? → Ajax

#### Idea

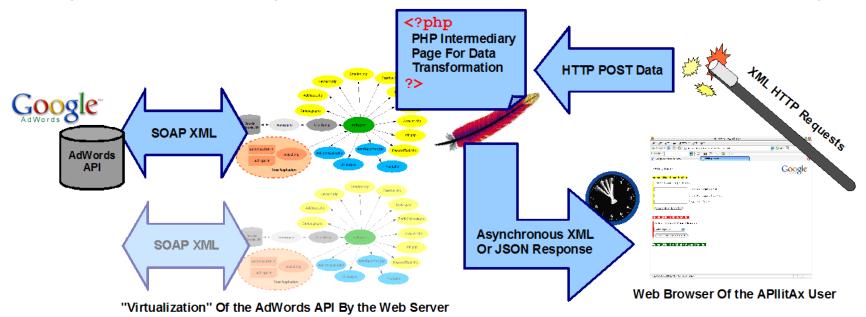


- Have a complex web application do the GUI stuff (JavaScript)
- Use APIlity calls for the AdWords API communication (PHP)
- Use XML for the communication between the two layers
- Call the project APIlity + Ajax = APIlitAx



## Principle

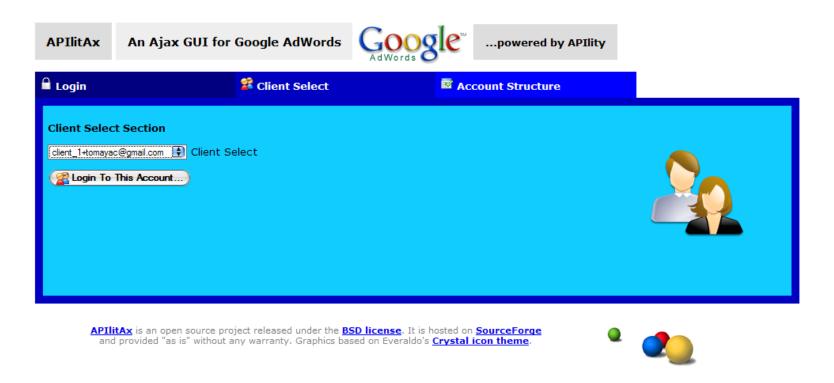
- JavaScript XML HTTP requests from a web application access intermediate local PHP files communicating via HTTP POST
- PHP files make the APIlity API calls, running on the local server
- Asynchronous responses are translated back into JavaScript





#### What does it look like?

– Client Select section:

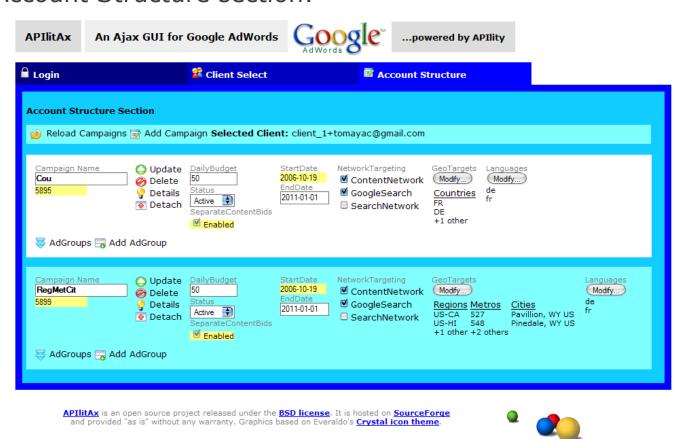


→ http://apilitax.sourceforge.net



#### What does it look like?

- Account Structure section:



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# Google Checkout and AdWords



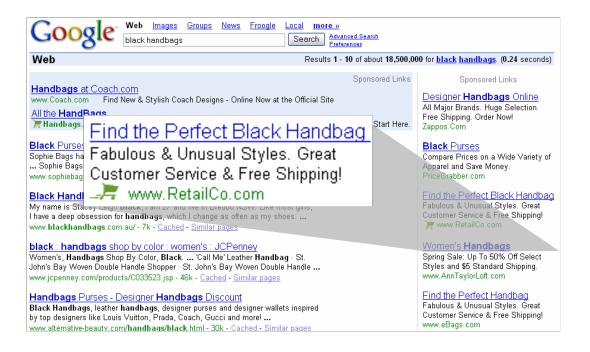


# Google Checkout and AdWords (cont'd)



## What is Google Checkout?

- Many shopping carts are cancelled during checkout process
  - → Google Checkout is an alternative checkout process that provides a **fast**, **secure way to buy and sell online**



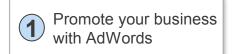
# Google Checkout and AdWords (cont'd)



## AdWords and Google Checkout work together to

- increase sales
- lower costs.







Get higher sales conversions by offering a streamlined checkout process



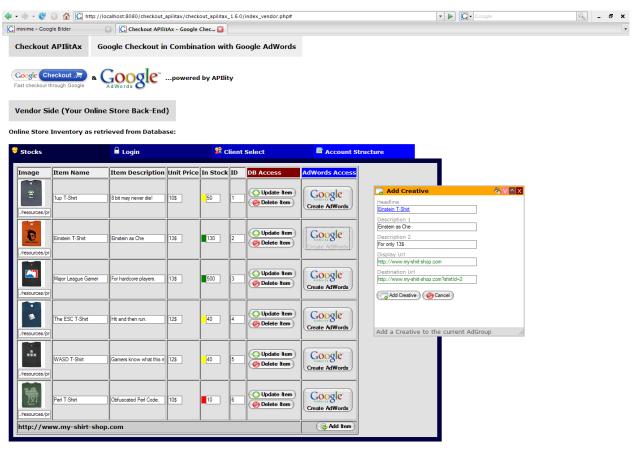


Checkout APIlitAx...



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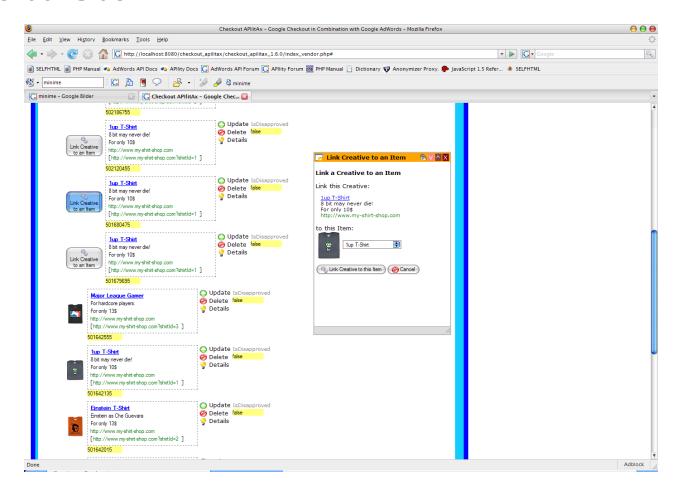
- Vendor Side





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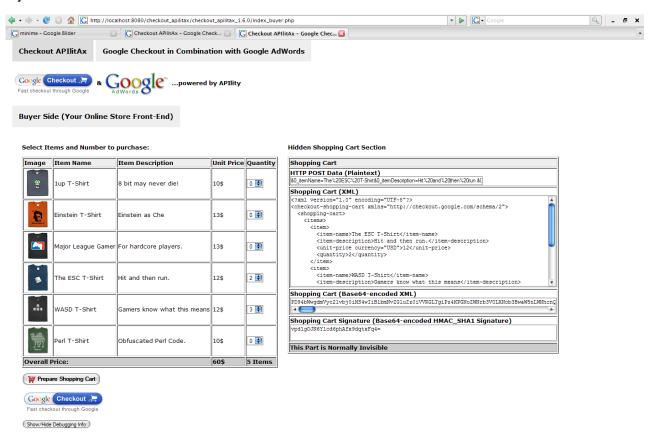
Vendor Side





#### What does it look like?

- Buyer side







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# Thank you for your attention



## **Questions**



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