## The (from-the-past) alternatives to JavaScript

Third-party plugins were used to palliate to the lacks of Javascript:

- Java applets
- Flash
- Silverlight
- and so on

## Why Javascript is ahead in the game now?

- Open and standard (multi platforms)
- Come for free on many browsers/platforms
- Javascript engines are getting "incredibly" faster
- HTML 5
- Javascript is getting out of the browser (Node.js)