

Node.js

Explained for Absolute Beginners



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Node.js is an open-source runtime environment that runs on the **Chrome V8** engine to execute **JavaScript** code outside a web browser.



Since the dawn of **JavaScript**, the language was purely meant to run on **browsers only**, around **2009**, **JavaScript** had started to be considered a more serious language, thanks to "**Web 2.0**" apps, which gave rise to **Node.js**.



A guy named **Ryan Dahl** in **2009** created **Node.js**, to run the JavaScript on the server-side or outside the browser. **Node.js** also represents a "**JavaScript everywhere**" paradigm.



The same year, npm was also launched to give Node.js more superpowers.

Node.js happened to be built in the right place and right time, but luck isn't the only reason why it is popular today.



Believe it or not, **Node.js** is
just **12 years** old.

In comparison, **JavaScript** is
26 years old and the **Web** is
33 years old.



Thoughts on Node.js?

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