

RESTful SPA Overview

Putting the pieces together

Server Side:

- `express` for service endpoints and static files
- Separation of concerns in service side
- using a uuid module for uids

Client Side:

- webpack and babel for ES6 imports on client side
- Separation of concerns in client side
- requiring a login (no passwords)

A TODO list

- The site requires the user to login
- Each user has a todo list
- Displays a list of todo items
- Each item can be toggled as done
- Each item can be deleted
- New items can be added

Configuring the server side

- create a new npm package (`npm init`)
- installing `express`, `cookie-parser`, `uuid`
- create `public/` dir
- create static HTML
- create static CSS
- create temp static JS
- create `server.js`
- create `todo.js` to hold non-web logic and state

Installing webpack and babel

```
# babel
npm install --save-dev @babel/core
npm install --save-dev @babel/preset-env
# webpack
npm install --save-dev webpack
npm install --save-dev webpack-cli
# connect the two
npm install --save-dev babel-loader
```

or

```
npm install --save-dev babel-loader @babel/core @babel/preset-env
webpack webpack-cli
```

Create a webpack.config.js

```
const path = require('path');
module.exports = {
  mode: 'development',
  entry: './src/todo.js',
  devtool: 'source-map',
  output: {
    filename: 'todo.js',
    path: path.resolve(__dirname, 'public'),
  },
  // ...
}
```

Create a webpack.config.js (continued)

```
// ...
},
module: {
  rules: [
    {
      test: /\.js$/,
      exclude: /node_modules/,
      use: {
        loader: 'babel-loader',
        options: { presets: ['@babel/preset-env'] },
      }
    }
  ],
},
};
```

Connect the pieces

To transpile and bundle the `src/todo.js` and anything it imports into `public/todo.js`:

Do this anytime the `src/*` files change

```
npx webpack
```

To run the server:

Do this anytime the `/*.js` files change

```
node server.js
```