

Theory Assignment - 1

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Q1) Node.js :- Introduction, features, execution architecture

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→ Introduction:-

- Node.js is an open source, cross-platform runtime environment built on Chrome's v8 Javascript engine. It allows developers to execute Javascript code outside the browser, making it possible to build server-side applications.
- Node.js enables developers to create scalable, efficient, and real-time applications, and it has gained immense popularity in the web development community due to its non-blocking, event-driven architecture.

⇒ Features of Node.js :-

1) Asynchronous and Non-blocking:-

- Node.js uses an event-driven, non-blocking I/O model, allowing it to handle multiple concurrent connections efficiently without getting blocked by time-consuming operations.

2) Single - Threaded, Event-loop Architecture:-

- Node.js operates on a single-threaded event loop, which enables it to handle asynchronous operations efficiently.

3) Fast Execution:-

- Node.js is built on the V8 engine, which compiles JavaScript code into highly efficient machine code, leading to faster execution compared to traditional interpreted languages.

4) NPM (Node Package Manager):-

- NPM is a powerful package manager that comes bundled with node.js.

5) Cross-platform:-

- Node.js is compatible with various operating systems, including Windows, macOS and Linux, making it a versatile choice for building applications that can run on different platforms.

6.) Scalability:-

Due to its non-blocking nature, Node.js is highly scalable and can handle a large number of concurrent connections with relatively low resource consumption.

⇒ Execution Architecture:-

1) Event Loop:-
The event loop constitutes the heart of Node.js responsible for handling all asynchronous operations.

2) Event Queue:-

The event queue holds all the callbacks waiting to be executed. When an asynchronous operation completes, its callback is placed in the event queue.

3) Callback Functions:-

Callback functions are used to handle the results of async opern.

4) v8::engine :-

Node.js uses the v8 JS engine to execute js's code.

5) Libuv :-

Libuv is a library that provides the event loop and handles I/O operations, allowing Node.js to be cross-platform.

Q2) Note on modules with e.g.

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In Node.js, modules are used to encapsulate reusable pieces of code, making it easier to organize and maintain large applications.

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A module in Node.js is a self-contained piece of code that is organized, promoting code reusability and reducing namespace collisions.

⇒ Creating a module:-

```
const calculateArea = (width, height) => {
```

```
    return width * height;
```

};

```
module.exports = calculate;
```

⇒ Using a Module:-

```
const cal = require('./rectangle');
const width = 5;
const height = 10;
```

```
const area = calculate(width, height);
console.log(area);
```

Q3) Note on package with example:-

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- In Node.js, a package refers to a collection of modules, libraries, and other resources bundled together and published on the npm registry.
- Downloading a package is very easy.
- Here, if I want to download a package called "upper-case". So, in Command Line interface and download Npm.

C:\Users\MyPC> npm install upper-case.

- Npm creates a folder named "node-modules" where the package will be placed.
- Now folder structure will be like this.

C:\users\myPC\node-modules\upper-case

⇒ Using a Package:-

- Once the package is installed, it is ready to use.
- Include the `upper-case` package the same way you include any other module.

```
var uc = require('upper-case');
```

- Create a `Node.js` file that will convert `"Hello world!"` into `Uppercase letters`.

```
var http = require('http');  
var uc = require('upper-case');
```

```
http.createServer((req, res) => {
```

```
    res.writeHead(200, { 'content-type': 'text/html' });
```

```
    res.write(uc.upperCase("Hello world!"));
```

```
    res.end();
```

```
).listen(8080);
```

Qn) - Use of package.json and package-lock.json.

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→ Both 'package.json' and 'package-lock.json' are essential files in Node.js project. They serve different purposes but work together to manage project dependencies and ensure consistent package installations across different environments.

→ 'package.json' -
→ The 'package.json' file is the manifest file for a node.js project. It contains introduction metadata about the project, including its name, version, description, entry point, scripts, etc.

1) Dependency Management

- The 'dependencies' and 'devDependencies' sections in 'package.json' list the packages required for the project to run and for development purposes, resp.

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Scripts:-

- You can define custom scripts in the scripts section of package.json. These scripts can be executed using npm run <script-name>. Common scripts include start to run the app, and test to execute unit tests.

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Metadata:-

- The 'package.json' file contains essential information about the project, such as author's name, project description, license, repository, etc.
- package-lock.json
- The 'package-lock.json' file is automatically generated by npm when dependencies are installed or updated.

Q5) Node.js Packages:-

- In the Node.js ecosystem, packages are collections of modules, libraries, and resources that developers can use to enhance their application.
- Node.js packages provide functions for various purposes, ranging from web dev. and server-side tasks to command-line utilities and more.
- Web Frameworks:
 - Packages like express.js, Koa and Hapi are popular web frameworks, that simplify the process of building web applications and APIs by providing routing, etc.
- Utility Libraries:
 - Packages like Lodash, Ramda, and Underscore.js provide utility functions that assist with tasks like data manipulation, validation and functional prog.

→ Database Libraries:-

- Packages like Mongoose and Sequelize offer easy-to-use abstractions for working with databases and ORM.

→ Authentication, and Security:-

Packages like passportjs and bcrypt offer solutions for authentication and password hashing to enhance app security.

→ Template engines:-

Packages like EJS, handlebars and pug enable developers to generate dynamic HTML content easily.

→ HTTP clients:-

Packages like Axios and provider tools for making http requests allowing Node.js applications to interact with API.

→ Real-time Communications

- Packages like `socket.io` facilitate real-time communication between clients and servers using WebSockets.

→ File System Utilities

- Packages like `fs-extra` and `glob` provide additional functionalities and ease of use for working with the file system.

→ Logging

- Packages like Winston and Bunyan provide flexible logging soln for Node.js app

Q6) NPM introduction and commands with its uses:-

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- npm is the default package manager for Node.js and it is one of the largest software registries in the world.

- It allows developers to easily install, manage and distribute Node.js packages to be used in their projects.

⇒ `npm init:-`

- This command initializes a new Node.js project and creates a `package.json` file. It prompts you to enter details about the project such as name, version, etc.

⇒ `npm install <package-name>:-`

- Installs a specific package and adds it to the `dependencies` section in `package.json`.

⇒ `npm uninstall <package-name>:-`

- Removes a package from the project and updates the `package.json` file accordingly.

⇒ `npm search <package-name>:-`

- Searches the npm registry for packages with the given name.

Q7) Describe use and working of following Node.js Packages. Important properties and methods and relevant programs.

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1) URL:-

- The `(url)` module provides utilities for URL resolution and parsing. It is used to work with URLs and extract information from them.
eg - Parsing a URL :-

```
const url = require('url');
```

```
const urlString = "some string";
```

```
const parsedUrl = new URL(urlString);
```

2) Process, pm2 (external package) :-

- `(process)` object provides info & control the Node.js `process`. It allows interacting with the current process, I/O and accessing environment variable.
- Getting Command - Line Arguments .

pm2 is an external package used to manage Node.js processes. It provides tools for process monitoring, scaling and clustering.

npm i -g pm2

readline:-

The readline module provides an interface for reading input streams line by line. It is commonly used to interact with users in the command-line environment.

• Reading User Input:-

```
const readline = require('readline');
const rl = readline.createInterface({
  input: process.stdin,
  output: process.stdout
});
```

```
rl.on('close', () => {
  rl.close();
  process.exit(0);
});
```

4) 'fs' :-

- The 'fs' module provides file system-related functionality, including reading, writing, and manipulating files.

```
- const fs = require('fs');
```

```
fs.readFile('stringfilename', callback type  
callback);
```

5) 'events' :-

- The 'events' module provides an event-driven architecture for building apps that can emit and listen to events.

```
const EventEmitter = require('events');
```

```
const myEmitter = new EventEmitter();
```

```
myEmitter.on('greet', (name) => {  
    // operation  
});
```

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```
myEmitter.emit('greet', 'Any');
```

6) console:-

- The `console` module provides a simple debugging console that can be used to log messages during development.

```
console.log(" ");
```

```
console.error(" ");
```

```
console.warn(" ");
```

7) Buffer:-

- The `buffer` module provides a way to handle binary data. It is used to work with raw binary data in Node.js apps.

```
var buf = Buffer.from('abc');
```

```
console.log(buf);
```

8) query-string:-

- The `query-string` module provides utilities for working with query strings in URL.

9) http:-

- The 'http' module provides a set of functions and classes to create HTTP servers and make HTTP requests.

10) v8:-

- The 'v8' module exposes APIs related to V8 engine, providing access to performance and memory related data.

11) os:-

- The 'os' module provides operating system related functionality, such as information about the host operating system.

12) zlib:-

- The 'zlib' module provides compression and decompression functionalities using gzip and deflate.