

Nodejs

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- Over 20 years of experience in Software Training and Development
- Mostly work with Java based technologies and
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Agenda

- Introduction
- Getting and installing nodejs
- Using modules
- Using the http module to serve
- Understanding the nodejs package manager (npm)
- Understanding package.json
- Using the express framework
- Build a REST API using nodejs, express and mongodb

Introduction

- Node is just JavaScript **with out** a browser
- Node is based on the **V8** JavaScript runtime engine used in the Google Chrome
- Allows JavaScript to be used in the **backend**
 - For example, you can use jQuery, File IO, or run web server at the backend
- Node makes it possible for you to take advantage of everything **JavaScript has to offer**, with out being tied to a browser

Introduction

- Node.js was created and first published for Linux use in **2009**
- Its development and maintenance was spearheaded by **Ryan Dahl** and sponsored by **Joyent**, the firm where Dahl worked



Introduction

- **npm**, a package manager for Node.js libraries, was introduced in **2011**
- In June 2011, Microsoft partnered with Joyent to create a **native Windows version** of Node.js
- The first Node.js build to support Windows was released in **July**

Getting and installing node.js

- Visit [http://nodejs.org](https://nodejs.org) and click the **INSTALL** button

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the official Node.js website at <https://nodejs.org>. The page has a dark background. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for HOME, DOWNLOADS, DOCS, COMMUNITY, ABOUT, JOBS, and BLOG. Below this, a large green header features the Node.js logo. The main content area contains a paragraph about Node.js being built on Chrome's JavaScript runtime and its event-driven, non-blocking I/O model. It also mentions the current version is v0.12.0. A prominent green 'INSTALL' button is centered, with 'DOWNLOADS' and 'API DOCS' buttons below it. At the bottom, there's a footer with the Node.js logo and the text 'NODE.JS ON THE ROAD'.

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Node.js® is a platform built on **Chrome's JavaScript runtime** for easily building fast, scalable network applications. Node.js uses an event-driven, non-blocking I/O model that makes it lightweight and efficient, perfect for data-intensive real-time applications that run across distributed devices.

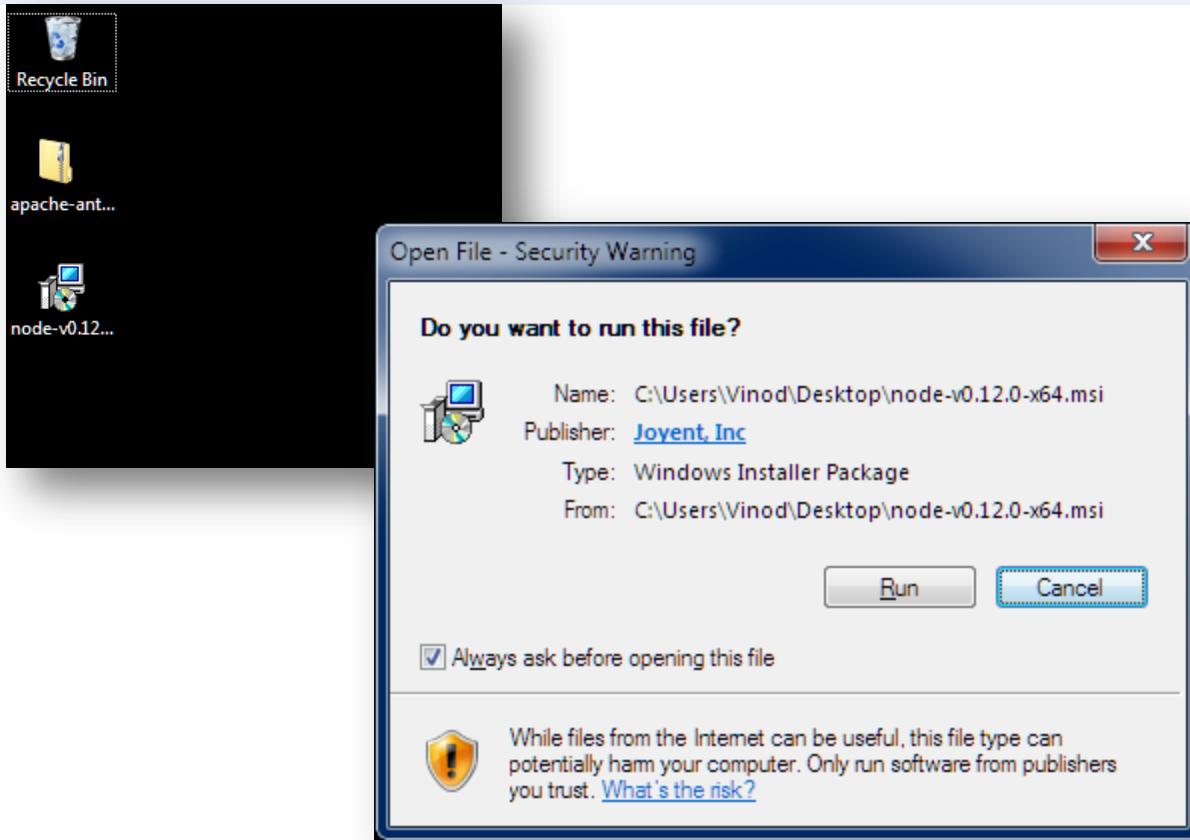
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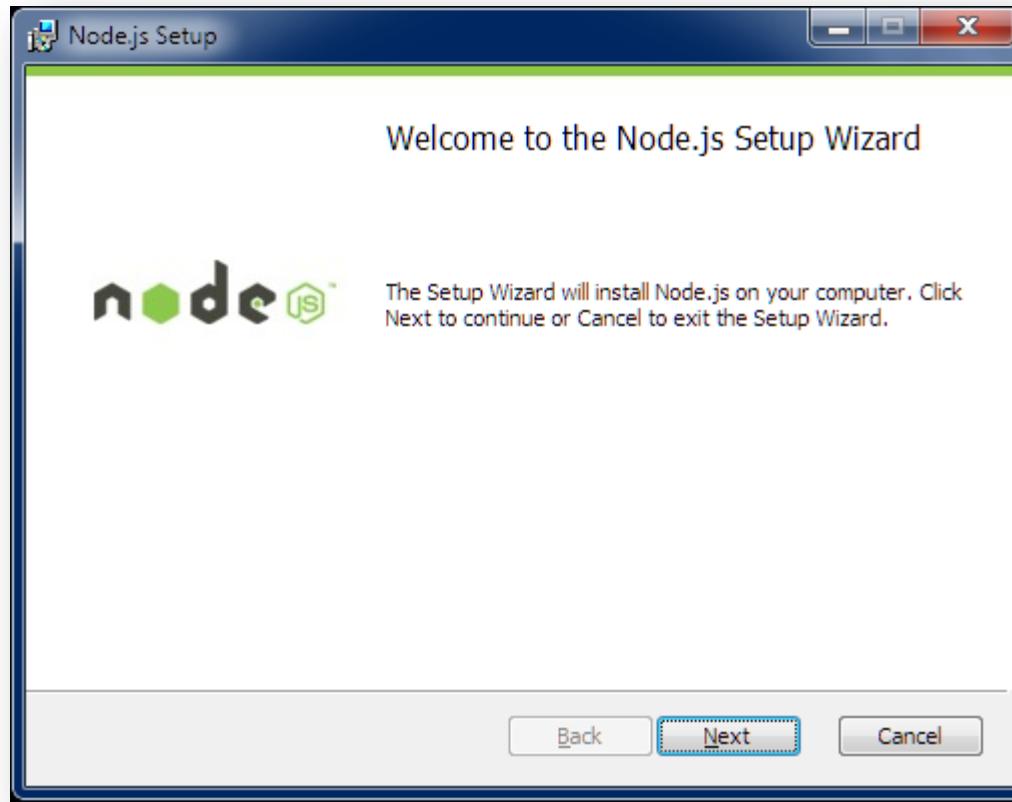
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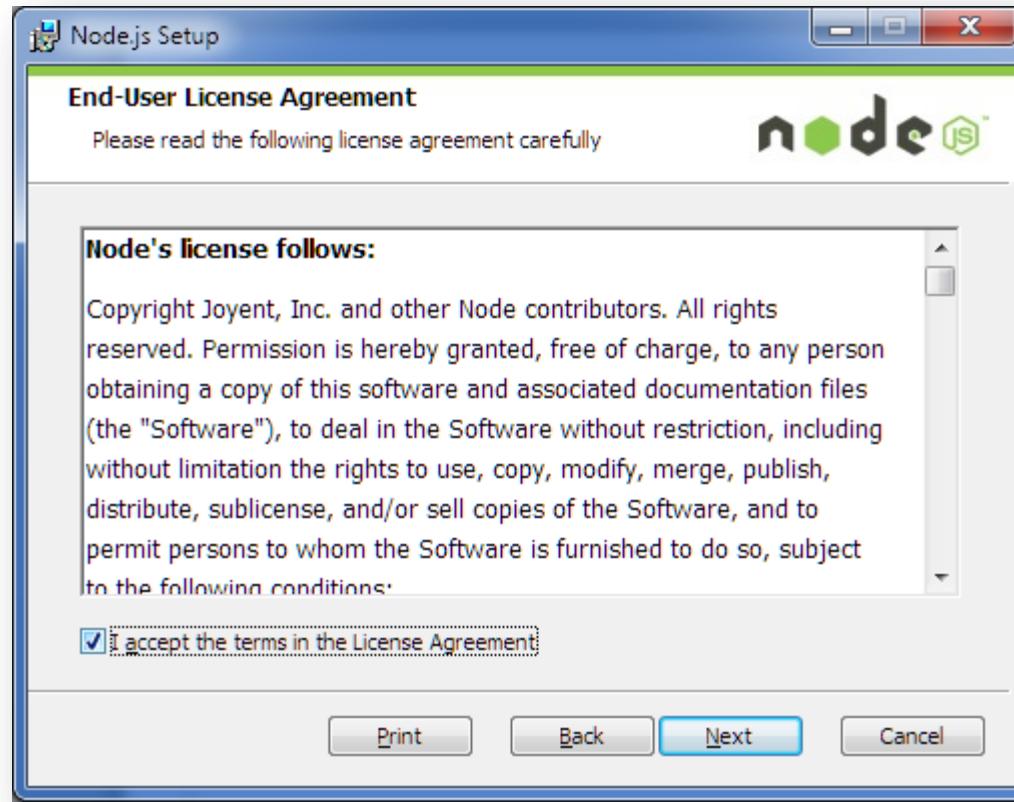
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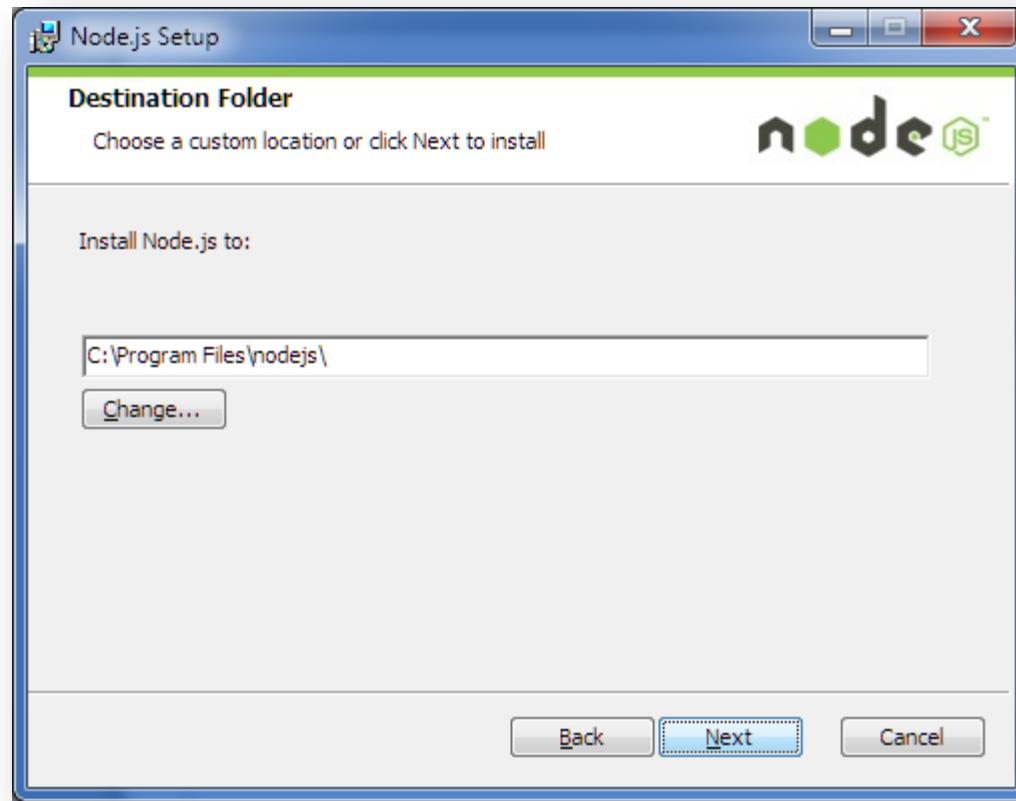
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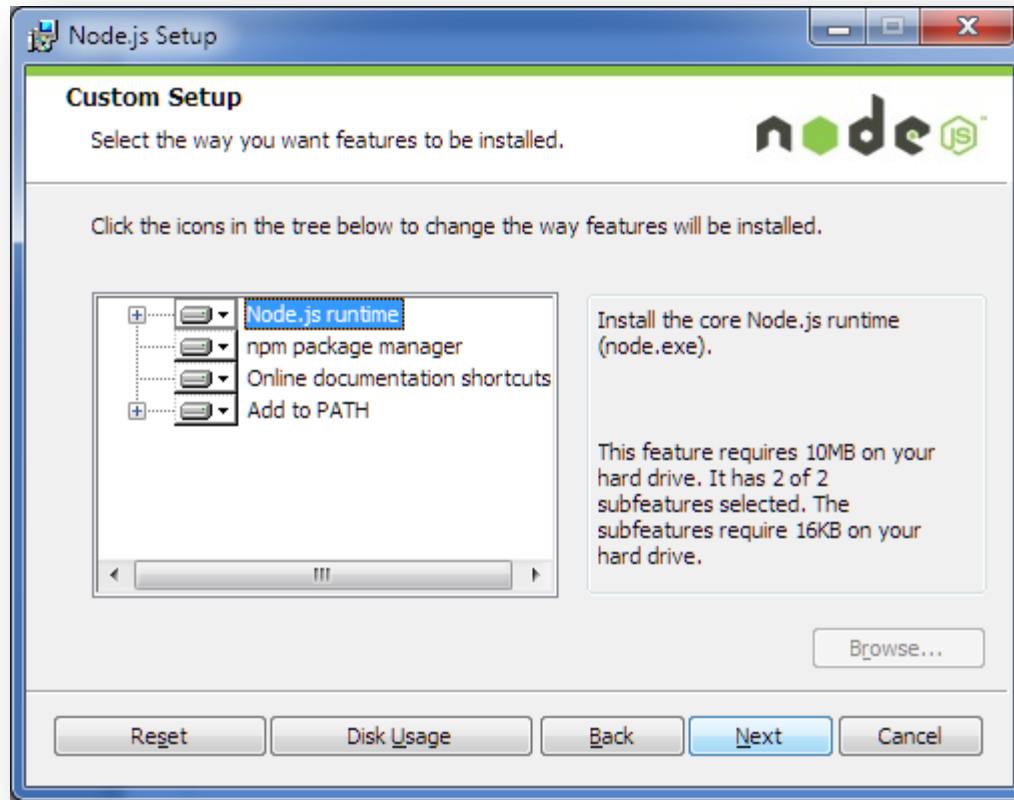
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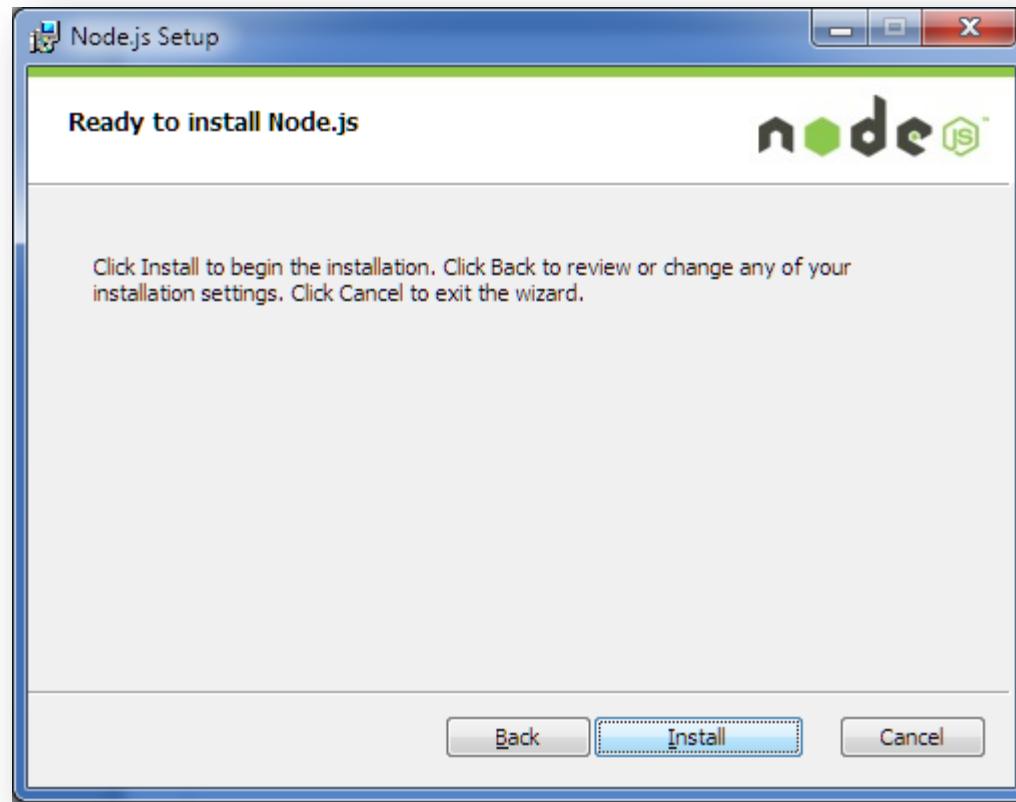
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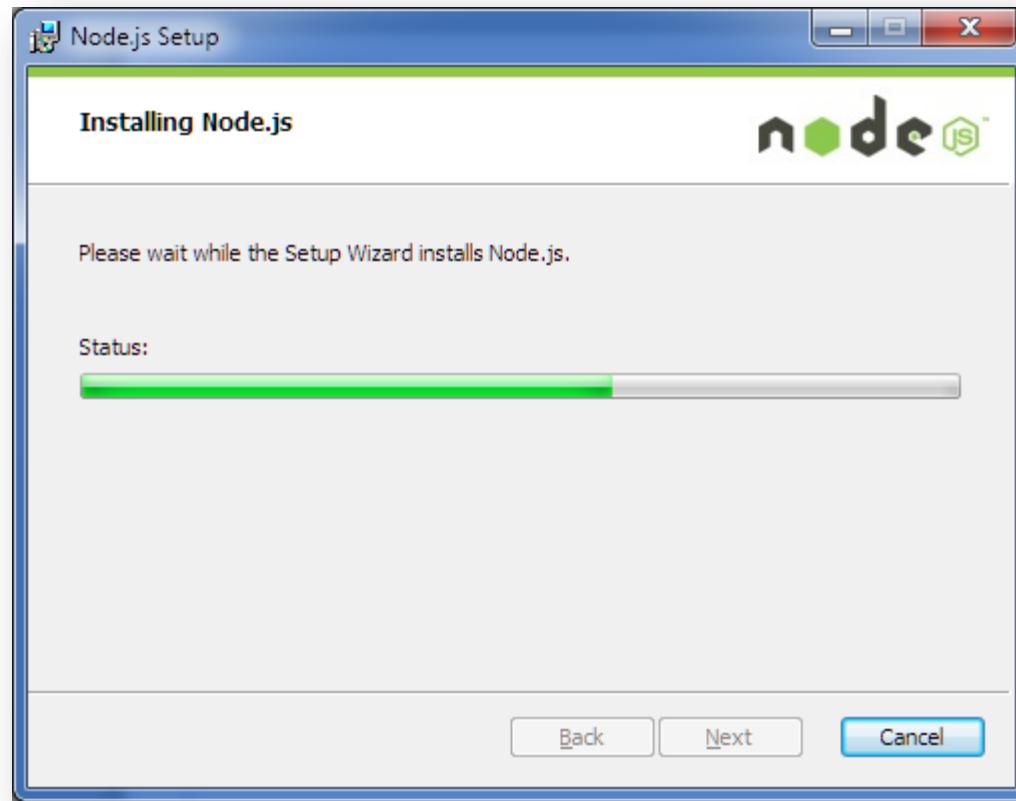
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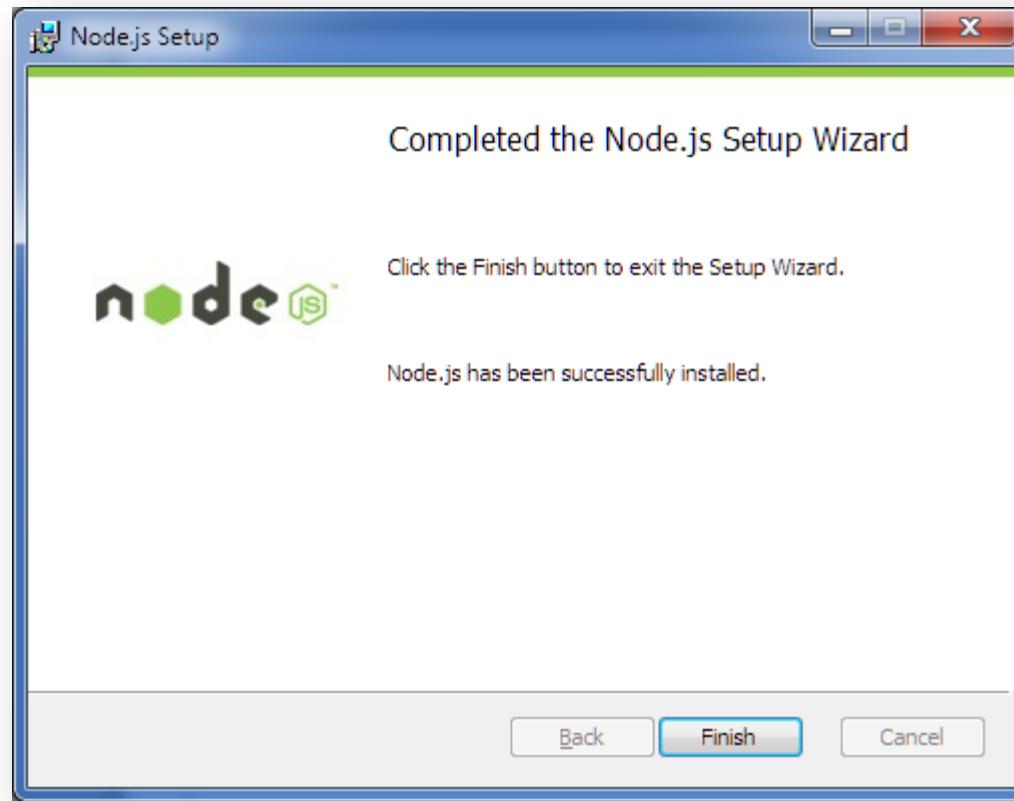
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Getting and installing node.js

```
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Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
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C:\Users\Vinod>node --version
v0.12.0

C:\Users\Vinod>node
> console.log('Hello, World!');
Hello, World!
undefined
> -
```

Overview of node.js

- Node adds few **functions** and **objects** typically not available in web browsers - **global**, **require**, **module**, **process**, etc.
 - It also removes few that you may be familiar with in the browsers, such as window, document, location
- The '**console**' object is available in both node and chrome

Modules

- When you are working with a large project, you may want to **break it into smaller** logical pieces
- Node allows to do this using '**modules**'
- A module is just a JavaScript **source file**
- Assign something to '**module.exports**' object in the module
- Use the '**require**' method to obtain the content of a module

Module representing a function

The screenshot shows a code editor with two tabs: 'ex01.js' and 'greet.js'. The 'greet.js' tab is active, displaying the following code:

```
1 // greet.js
2
3 module.exports = function(msg){
4     console.log(msg);
5 }
```

The screenshot shows a code editor with two tabs: 'ex01.js' and 'greet.js'. The 'ex01.js' tab is active, displaying the following code:

```
1 // ex01.js
2
3 var greet = require("./greet");
4 greet("Hello, World!");
```

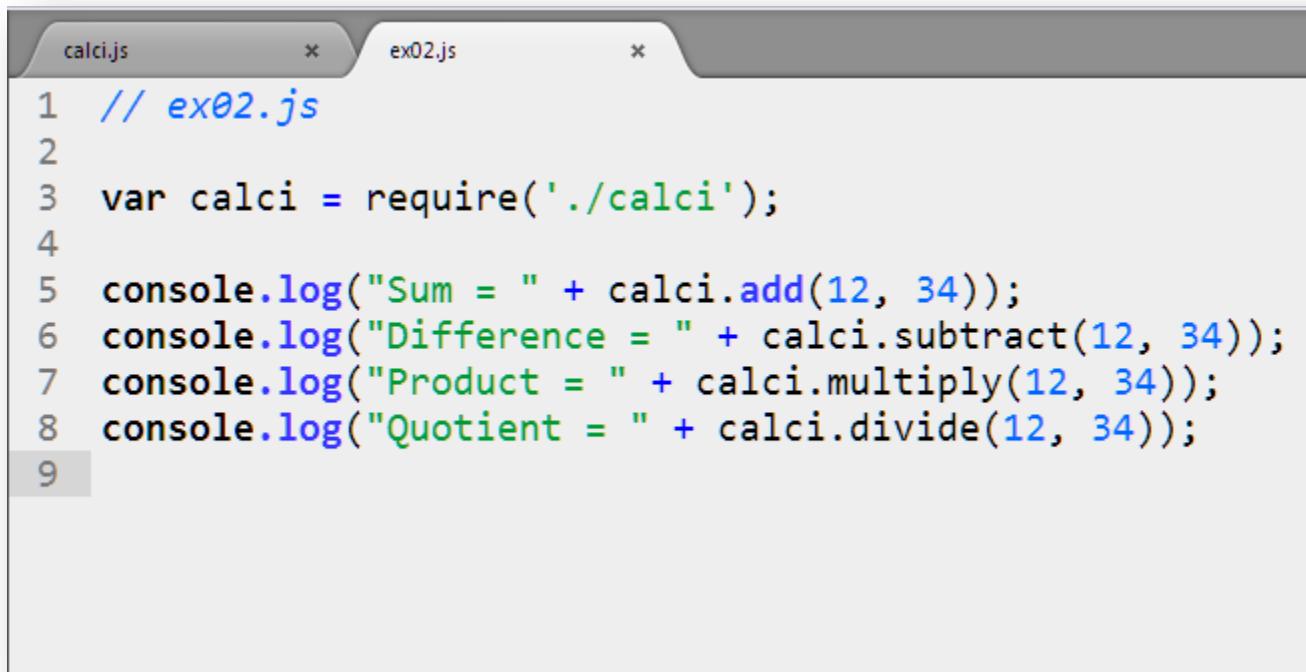
The screenshot shows a Windows Command Prompt window titled 'Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe'. The command 'node ex01.js' is entered, followed by the output 'Hello, World!'. The prompt then changes to 'D:\Work\example01>-'.

```
D:\Work\example01>node ex01.js
Hello, World!
D:\Work\example01>-
```

Module representing an object

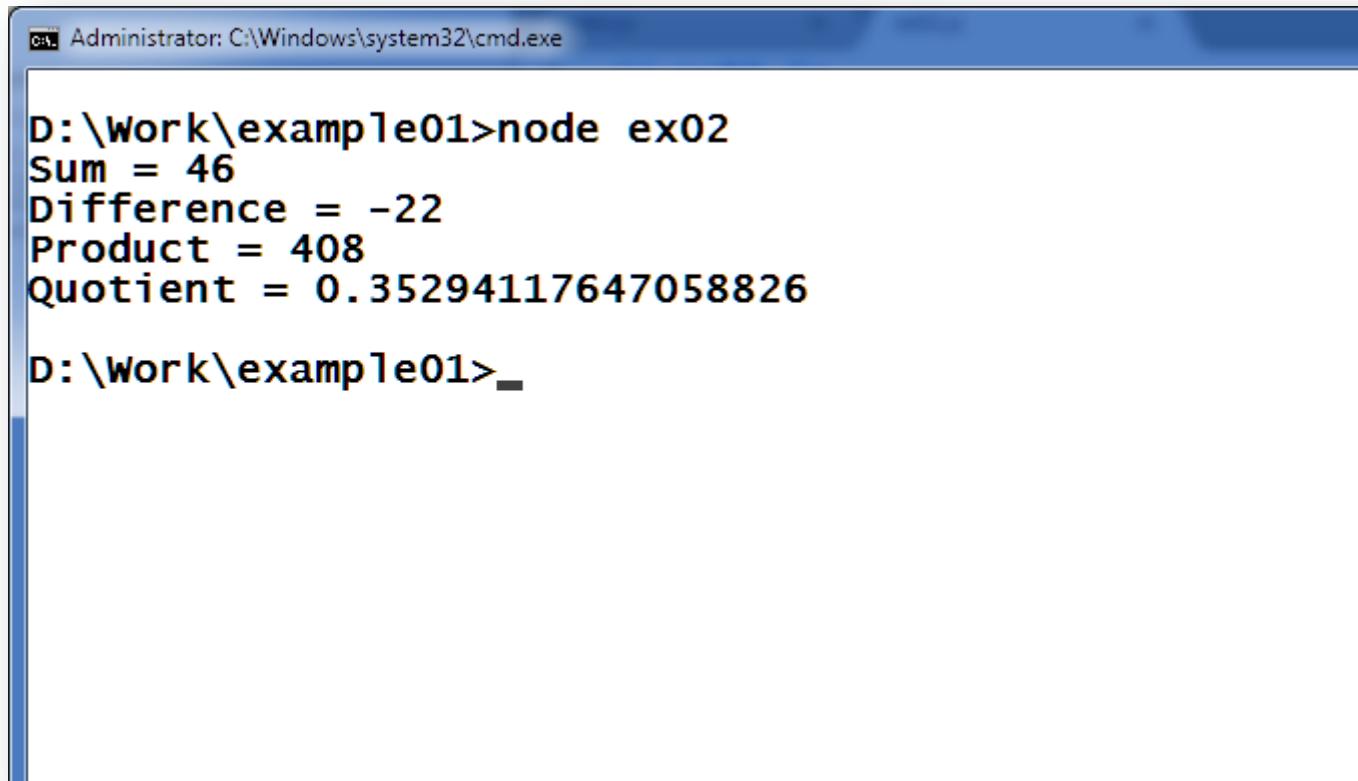
```
calci.js * ex02.js *
1 module.exports.add = function(num1, num2){
2     return num1+num2;
3 }
4 module.exports.subtract = function(num1, num2){
5     return num1-num2;
6 }
7 module.exports.multiply = function(num1, num2){
8     return num1*num2;
9 }
10 module.exports.divide = function(num1, num2){
11     return num1/num2;
12 }
13
```

Using the object from the 'calci' module



```
calci.js      ex02.js
1 // ex02.js
2
3 var calci = require('./calci');
4
5 console.log("Sum = " + calci.add(12, 34));
6 console.log("Difference = " + calci.subtract(12, 34));
7 console.log("Product = " + calci.multiply(12, 34));
8 console.log("Quotient = " + calci.divide(12, 34));
9
```

Output

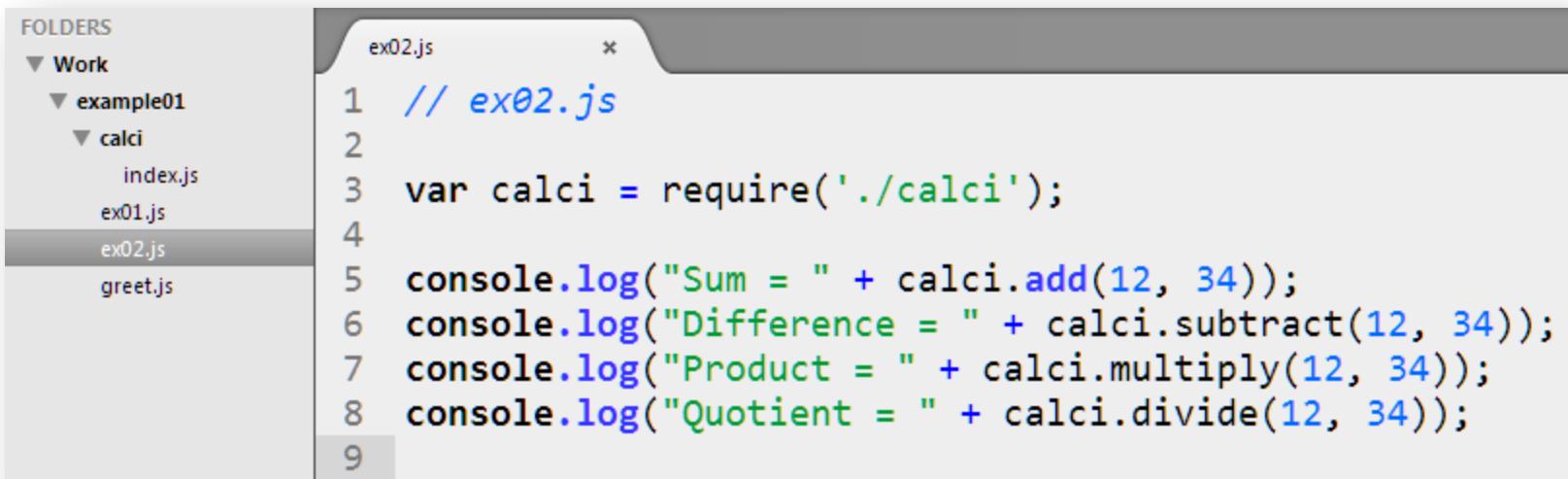


A screenshot of a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe". The window displays the output of a Node.js script named "ex02". The output shows the results of various arithmetic operations: Sum = 46, Difference = -22, Product = 408, and Quotient = 0.35294117647058826. The command prompt prompt is visible at the bottom.

```
D:\Work\example01>node ex02
Sum = 46
Difference = -22
Product = 408
Quotient = 0.35294117647058826
D:\Work\example01>_
```

Modules

- A module name also may represent a **folder** containing a source code file '**index.js**'



The image shows a code editor interface with a sidebar labeled 'FOLDERS' and a main code editor area.

FOLDERS:

- Work
 - example01
 - calci
 - index.js
 - ex01.js
 - ex02.js
 - greet.js

Code Editor (ex02.js):

```
// ex02.js
var calci = require('./calci');
console.log("Sum = " + calci.add(12, 34));
console.log("Difference = " + calci.subtract(12, 34));
console.log("Product = " + calci.multiply(12, 34));
console.log("Quotient = " + calci.divide(12, 34));
```

- Variables declarations inside the module with '**var**' keyword will be treated as a **local** variables for the module

Core modules

- Node has several modules **compiled** into the binary
- Core modules are always **preferentially loaded** if their identifier is passed to require()
 - For instance, require('http') will always return the built in HTTP module, even if there is a file by that name

Core modules

assert, buffer, child_process, cluster, crypto, dgram,
dns, events, **fs**, **http**, https, net, **os**, path, punycode,
querystring, readline, repl, string_decoder, tls, tty, url,
util, vm, zlib

Online docs for core modules

- Visit <https://nodejs.org/api/>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://nodejs.org/api/> in the address bar. The page itself is the Node.js v0.12.0 Manual & Documentation, featuring the Node.js logo at the top. Below the logo is a navigation bar with links to HOME, DOWNLOADS, DOCS (which is highlighted in green), COMMUNITY, ABOUT, JOBS, and BLOG. On the left side, there's a sidebar with links to ABOUT DOCS, TUTORIALS, CONTRIBUTING, LOCALIZATION, and API DOCS (which is also highlighted in green). The main content area contains the title "Node.js v0.12.0 Manual & Documentation" and links to INDEX, View on single page, and View as JSON. Below this is a "Table of Contents" section with a list of core modules: About these Docs, Synopsis, Assertion Testing, Buffer, C/C++ Addons, Child Processes, Cluster, Console, and Crypto.

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https://nodejs.org/api/util.html#util_util_format_format

Online docs for core modules

- The ‘os’ module

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://nodejs.org/api/os.html>. The browser's address bar and various tabs are visible at the top. On the left, a sidebar menu includes links for ABOUT DOCS, TUTORIALS, CONTRIBUTING, LOCALIZATION, and API DOCS, with API DOCS being the active tab. The main content area displays the title "Node.js v0.12.0 Manual & Documentation" and a navigation bar with links for Index, View on single page, and View as JSON. Below this is a "Table of Contents" section with a single entry under the 'os' category:

- os
 - [os.tmpdir\(\)](#)
 - [os.endianness\(\)](#)
 - [os.hostname\(\)](#)
 - [os.type\(\)](#)
 - [os.platform\(\)](#)
 - [os.arch\(\)](#)
 - [os.release\(\)](#)
 - [os.uptime\(\)](#)
 - [os.loadavg\(\)](#)
 - [os.totalmem\(\)](#)
 - [os.freemem\(\)](#)
 - [os.cpus\(\)](#)
 - [os.networkInterfaces\(\)](#)
 - [os.EOL](#)

Using the core modules

```
ex03.js
1 var os = require("os");
2 var util = require("util");
3
4 console.log("os.type() = " + os.type());
5 console.log("os.uptime() = " + os.uptime()/60 + " minutes");
6
7 var name = "Vinod";
8 var age = 41;
9 var message = util.format("My name is %s and I am %d years old.", name, age);
10 console.log(message);
```

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
D:\Work\example01>node ex03
os.type() = Windows_NT
os.uptime() = 243.76922964833332 minutes
My name is Vinod and I am 41 years old.

D:\Work\example01>
```

Event loop

- Event-loops are the **core** of event-driven programming,
- Almost all the **UI programs** use event-loops to track the user event
 - For example, Button clicks, Ajax Requests etc.
- When a node program **starts**, the event-loop starts along with it **automatically**

Event loop

- In contrast to many other environments, all inputs and outputs in Node are **non-blocking**
 - For example, if you are making a call to a database, in many other environments,
 - that call is going to block
 - wait for the results to come back from the database
 - stop your program until the database responds
 - resume the program once those results are ready
- Node, **keeps running** the program

Event loop

- **Traditional I/O**

```
var result = db.query("select x from table_Y");
doSomethingWith(result); //wait for result!
doSomethingElse(); //execution is blocked!
```

- Non-traditional, **Non-blocking** I/O

```
db.query("select x from table_Y", function (result) {
    doSomethingWith(result); //wait for result!
});
doSomethingElse(); // executes without blocking
```

Event loop

```
ex04.js *  
1 var http = require("http");  
2 var server = http.createServer(function(req, resp){  
3     console.log("Got a request from a client...");  
4     resp.end("Hello, user!");  
5 });  
6  
7 server.listen(3000);  
8 console.log("Server listening at port 3000");
```

The `server.listen(..)` registers itself with the event loop in a non-blocking fashion.

Line 8 continues to execute as soon as line 7 is called

Each time a client makes a request, the callback function supplied to the server (line 2) is executed

The screenshot displays two windows illustrating the event loop. On the left is a command-line interface window titled "Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - node ex04". It shows the execution of the script and its output:

```
D:\Work\example01>node ex04  
Server listening at port 3000  
Got a request from a client...  
Got a request from a client...
```

On the right is a web browser window titled "localhost:3000". It shows the page content:

```
Hello, user!
```

npm

- npm is a **package manager** for JavaScript
- npm is **distributed** with node
- Helps in project configuration, **dependency management**, module installation and many other things
- To start **creating** a JavaScript (node) project, use the command
 - npm init

npm init

```
D:\Work\example02>npm init
This utility will walk you through creating a package.json file.
It only covers the most common items, and tries to guess sane defaults.
See `npm help json` for definitive documentation on these fields
and exactly what they do.

Use `npm install <pkg> --save` afterwards to install a package and
save it as a dependency in the package.json file.

Press ^C at any time to quit.
name: (example02)
version: (1.0.0)
description: A Sample project
entry point: (index.js)
test command:
git repository:
keywords:
author: Kayartaya Vinod <kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com>
license: (ISC)
About to write to D:\Work\example02\package.json:

{
  "name": "example02",
  "version": "1.0.0",
  "description": "A Sample project",
  "main": "index.js",
  "scripts": {
    "test": "echo \\\"Error: no test specified\\\" && exit 1"
  },
  "author": "Kayartaya Vinod <kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com>",
  "license": "ISC"
}

Is this ok? (yes)
D:\Work\example02>
```

package.json

```
{  
  "name": "example02",  
  "version": "1.0.0",  
  "description": "A Sample project",  
  "main": "index.js",  
  "scripts": {  
    "test": "echo \\\"Error: no test specified\\\" && exit 1"  
  },  
  "author": "Kayartaya Vinod <kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com>",  
  "license": "ISC"  
}
```

npm

- The **node community** provides thousands of modules apart from what is already available in the core module collection
- Available at <http://npmjs.org>

npm - finding a module

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.npmjs.com/package/express>. The page displays information about the **express** package, which is described as a "Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework". Key statistics shown include **v4.12.3**, **2M/month** downloads, and **100%** coverage. A code snippet for a "Hello World" application is provided:

```
var express = require('express')
var app = express()

app.get('/', function (req, res) {
  res.send('Hello World')
})

app.listen(3000)
```

The page also features links to **npm install express**, the **dougwilson** author profile, the latest version **4.12.3**, the GitHub repository at **github.com/strongloop/express**, the official website at **expressjs.com**, and the MIT license information. A section for **Maintainers** lists several individuals and the StrongLoop logo. The **Stats** section provides download counts for the last day, week, and month.

express

Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework

npm v4.12.3 | downloads 2M/month | linux passing | windows passing | coverage 100%

```
var express = require('express')
var app = express()

app.get('/', function (req, res) {
  res.send('Hello World')
})

app.listen(3000)
```

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npm install express

dougwilson published 4 days ago

4.12.3 is the latest of 232 releases

github.com/strongloop/express

expressjs.com

MIT license

Maintainers

Stats

83,230 downloads in the last day

573,339 downloads in the last week

2,429,357 downloads in the last month

npm

- To install a module to your project,
use the '**npm install**' command
- Use the '**--save**' option to save the dependency
information in the **package.json** file

npm

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

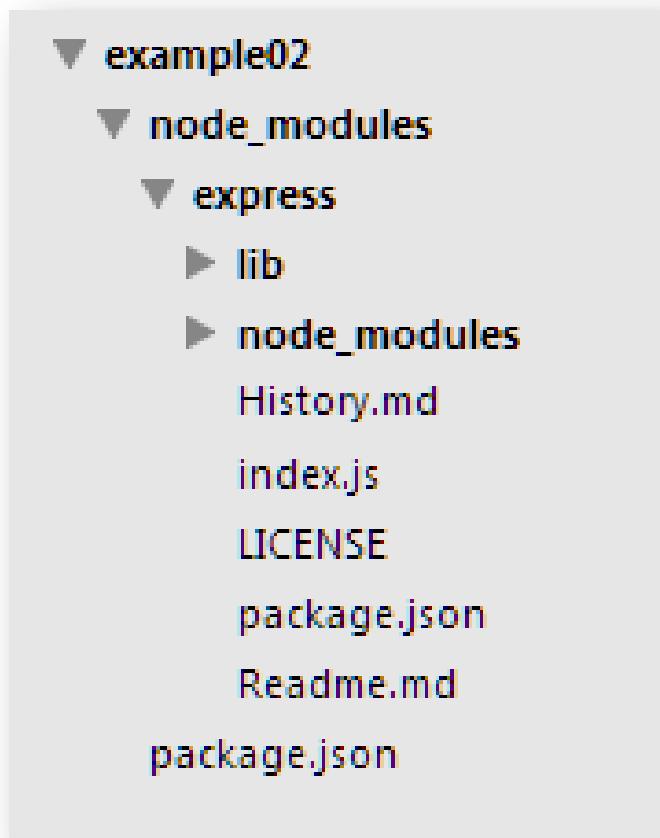
D:\Work\example02>npm install express --save
npm WARN package.json example02@1.0.0 No repository field.
npm WARN package.json example02@1.0.0 No README data
express@4.12.3 node_modules\express
  └── methods@1.1.1
    ├── merge-descriptors@1.0.0
    ├── range-parser@1.0.2
    ├── utils-merge@1.0.0
    ├── cookie-signature@1.0.6
    ├── cookie@0.1.2
    ├── vary@1.0.0
    ├── escape-html@1.0.1
    ├── content-type@1.0.1
    ├── fresh@0.2.4
    ├── parseurl@1.3.0
    ├── finalhandler@0.3.4
    ├── serve-static@1.9.2
    ├── content-disposition@0.5.0
    ├── path-to-regexp@0.1.3
    ├── depd@1.0.0
    ├── qs@2.4.1
    ├── on-finished@2.2.0 (ee-first@1.1.0)
    ├── etag@1.5.1 (crc@3.2.1)
    ├── proxy-addr@1.0.7 (forwarded@0.1.0, ipaddr.js@0.1.9)
    ├── debug@2.1.3 (ms@0.7.0)
    ├── send@0.12.2 (destroy@1.0.3, ms@0.7.0, mime@1.3.4)
    ├── type-is@1.6.1 (media-type@0.3.0, mime-types@2.0.10)
    └── accepts@1.2.5 (negotiator@0.5.1, mime-types@2.0.10)

D:\Work\example02>
```

Updated package.json

```
{  
  "name": "example02",  
  "version": "1.0.0",  
  "description": "A Sample project",  
  "main": "index.js",  
  "scripts": {  
    "test": "echo \\\"Error: no test specified\\\" && exit 1"  
  },  
  "author": "Kayartaya Vinod <kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com>",  
  "license": "ISC",  
  "dependencies": {  
    "express": "^4.12.3"  
  }  
}
```

Updated folder structure



npm

- npm is capable of **installing, starting** and **maintaining** node projects
- To install a **global** module, use the **-g** switch
 - npm install -g express
- To start the application, use the option **‘start’**
 - npm start
 - This will look for the value of “scripts.start” in the package.json file

Updated package.json

The screenshot shows a code editor interface with a sidebar on the left labeled "FOLDERS". The "Work" folder is expanded, showing subfolders "example01" and "example02", and files "node_modules", "app.js", and "package.json". The "package.json" file is currently selected and highlighted with a grey bar at the bottom of the list.

The main pane displays the contents of the "package.json" file:

```
1  {
2    "name": "example02",
3    "version": "1.0.0",
4    "description": "A Sample project",
5    "main": "index.js",
6    "scripts": {
7      "test": "echo \\\"Error: no test specified\\\"",
8      "start": "node app.js"
9    },
10   "author": "Kayartaya Vinod <kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com>",
11   "license": "ISC",
12   "dependencies": {
13     "express": "^4.12.3"
14   }
15 }
```

npm

- To update the project, use the '**update**' option
 - npm update
 - Downloads and adds the dependencies and removes the one that are not applicable, based on the information in package.json

Using ‘express’

- Express is a minimal and flexible Node.js **web application framework** that provides a robust set of features for web and mobile applications
 - Robust routing
 - Focus on high performance
 - Super-high test coverage
 - HTTP helpers (redirection, caching, etc)
 - View system supporting 14+ template engines
 - Content negotiation
 - Executable for generating applications quickly

Using ‘express’

- **Install** the executable:
 - `npm install -g express-generator@4`
- **Create** the app:
 - `express /tmp/foo && cd /tmp/foo`
- Install **dependencies**:
 - `npm install`
- **Start** the server:
 - `npm start`

Install the executable

npm install -g express-generator@4

```
D:\Work>npm install -g express-generator@4
C:\Users\Vinod\AppData\Roaming\npm\express -> C:\Users\Vinod\AppData\Roaming\npm\node_modules\express
  express-generator@4.12.1 C:\Users\Vinod\AppData\Roaming\npm\node_modules\express-generator
    └── sorted-object@1.0.0
    └── commander@2.6.0
        └── mkdirp@0.5.0 (minimist@0.0.8)

D:\Work>_
```

Create the app

express example03

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
D:\Work>express example03

  create : example03
  create : example03/package.json
  create : example03/app.js
  create : example03/public
  create : example03/routes
  create : example03/routes/index.js
  create : example03/routes/users.js
  create : example03/views
  create : example03/views/index.jade
  create : example03/views/layout.jade
  create : example03/views/error.jade
  create : example03/public/javascripts
  create : example03/public/stylesheets
  create : example03/public/stylesheets/style.css
  create : example03/public/images
  create : example03/bin
  create : example03/bin/www

  install dependencies:
    $ cd example03 && npm install

  run the app:
    $ DEBUG=example03:* ./bin/www

D:\Work>
```

Install dependencies

npm install

```
D:\Work>cd example03

D:\Work\example03>npm install
debug@2.1.3 node_modules\debug
└── ms@0.7.0

cookie-parser@1.3.4 node_modules\cookie-parser
├── cookie-signature@1.0.6
└── cookie@0.1.2

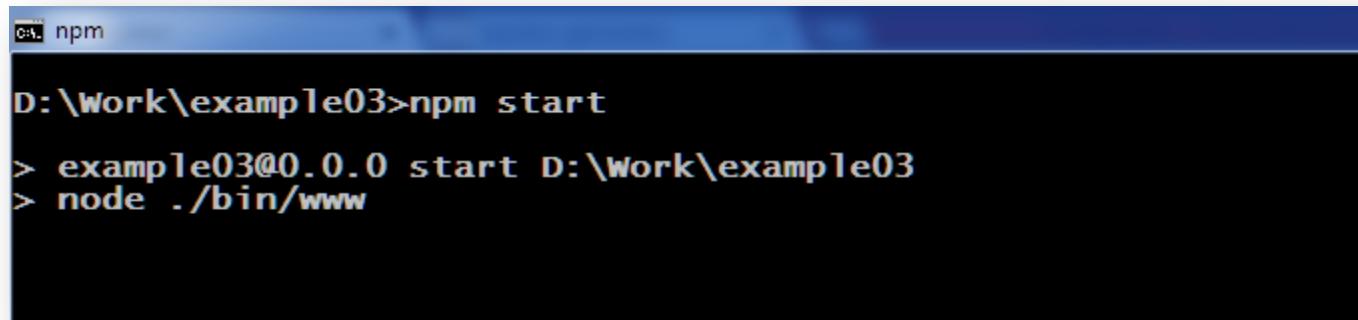
serve-favicon@2.2.0 node_modules\serve-favicon
├── ms@0.7.0
├── fresh@0.2.4
├── parseurl@1.3.0
└── etag@1.5.1 (crc@3.2.1)

morgan@1.5.2 node_modules\morgan
├── basic-auth@1.0.0
├── depd@1.0.0
└── on-finished@2.2.0 (ee-first@1.1.0)

express@4.12.3 node_modules\express
├── merge-descriptors@1.0.0
├── utils-merge@1.0.0
├── cookie-signature@1.0.6
├── methods@1.1.1
├── fresh@0.2.4
├── cookie@0.1.2
├── escape-html@1.0.1
├── range-parser@1.0.2
└── vary@1.0.0
  └── statuses@1.1.2
```

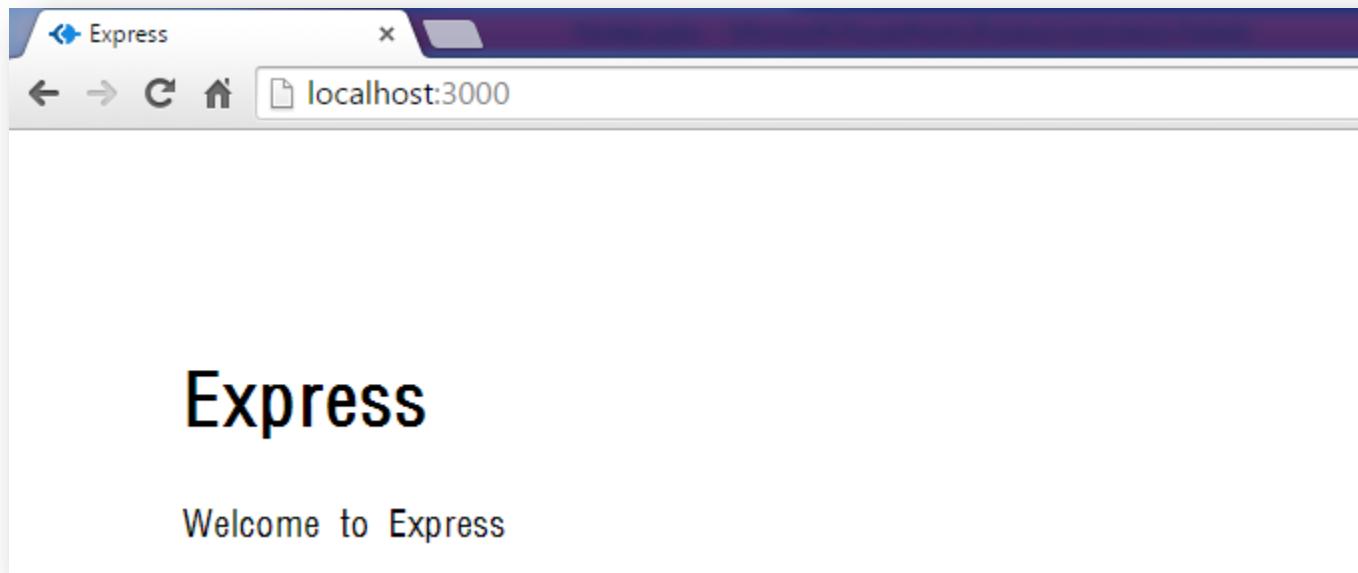
Start the server

npm start



```
D:\Work\example03>npm start
> example03@0.0.0 start D:\Work\example03
> node ./bin/www
```

Open <http://localhost:3000> in a browser



Using the ‘express’ module

- The ‘express’ module is **built on top** of the http module
 - There is no need to use both ‘express’ and ‘http’
- After including the ‘express’ module in your application, use it **as a function** to instantiate it:

```
var express = require("express");
```

```
var app = express();
```

Using the ‘express’ module

- The ‘app’ can be configured with **routing** information, and to **register** with the event loop, call the **‘listen’** method

```
app.get("/", function(req, resp) {  
    resp.end("Hello, World!");  
}  
);  
  
app.listen(3000);
```

Routing with express

- **Routing** refers to determining how an application responds to a client request to a particular **endpoint**
 - Endpoint is a URI (or path) and a specific HTTP request method (GET, POST, and so on)
- Each route can have one or more **handler** functions, which is / are executed when the route is matched

Routing with express

- Route definition takes the following structure

app.METHOD(PATH, HANDLER), where

- app is an instance of express,
- METHOD is an HTTP request method,
- PATH is a path on the server, and
- HANDLER is the function executed when the route is matched.

Routing with express

- Duplicate mappings will be **ignored**
- For example,

```
app.get("/hello", function(req, resp) {  
    resp.send("Welcome, Friends!");  
});  
app.get("/hello", function(req, resp) {  
    resp.send("Hello, Friends!");  
});
```

Call to <http://localhost:3000/hello> would get
response as “**Welcome, Friends!**”

Creating a REST api

- Express supports the following routing methods corresponding to **HTTP methods**:
 - **get**, **post**, **put**, head, **delete**, options, trace, copy, lock, mkcol, move, purge, propfind, proppatch, unlock, report, mkactivity, checkout, merge, m-search, notify, subscribe, unsubscribe, patch, search, and connect

Creating a REST api

- The HTTP methods GET, POST, PUT, DELETE correspond to **server side actions** for getting, adding, updating and deleting a resource.
 - A resource could be a product, employee, user, etc.
- For example, a URI <http://localhost:3000/users> should return **a list of all users** when requested using HTTP GET method and the same thing should **add a new user** to the repository when requested using the POST method.
 - The data to be added is sent as part of the HTTP request payload

Creating a REST api

```
6 app.get("/users", function(req, resp){  
7     resp.send("List of users will be sent.");  
8 });  
9 app.get("/users/:id", function(req, resp){  
10    resp.send("Users for id "  
11        + req.params.id + " will be sent.");  
12});  
13 app.post("/users", function(req, resp){  
14    resp.send("A user will be added to the db");  
15});  
16 app.put("/users/:id", function(req, resp){  
17    resp.send("The user with id "  
18        + req.params.id + " will be updated");  
19});  
20 app.delete("/users/:id", function(req, resp){  
21    resp.send("The user with id "  
22        + req.params.id + " will be deleted");  
23});
```

Creating a REST api

- Chainable route handlers for a route path can be created using **app.route()**

```
4 app.route("/users")
5     .get(function(req, resp){
6         resp.send("List of users will be sent.");
7     })
8     .post(function(req, resp){
9         resp.send("A user will be added to the db");
10    });
11
```

Creating a REST api

- To send **JSON** data for the GET methods, use the method `resp.json(obj)`

```
4 app.get("/users", function(req, resp){  
5  
6     var users = [  
7         {name: "Vinod", city: "Bangalore"},  
8         {name: "Shyam", city: "Bangalore"},  
9         {name: "Scott", city: "Dallas"}  
10    ];  
11    resp.json(users);  
12});  
13});
```

Creating a REST api

- To check the REST api, use a tool like **Advanced Rest Client**, a very popular extension for Google

The screenshot shows the Advanced Rest Client extension interface in a Google Chrome browser window. The title bar says "Chrome". The main area displays a successful API response:

Response headers

- X-Powered-By: Express
- Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
- Content-Length: 106
- ETag: W/"6a-4f17c02a"
- Date: Sun, 22 Mar 2015 10:01:36 GMT
- Connection: keep-alive

Raw **JSON** **Response**

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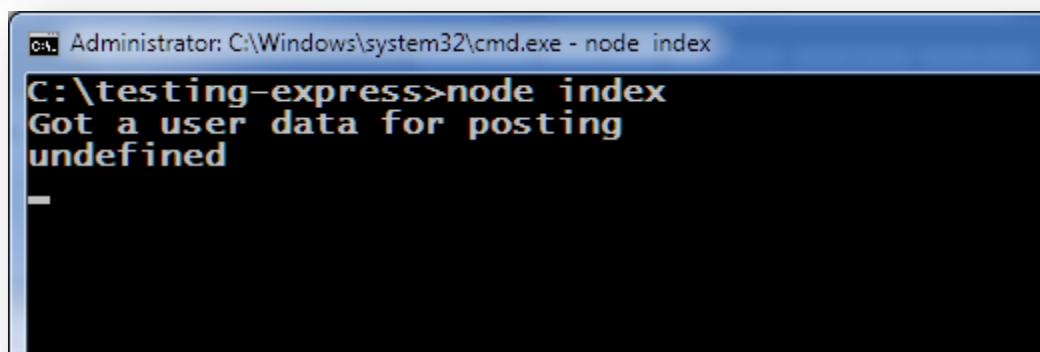
```
[{"name": "Vinod", "city": "Bangalore"}, {"name": "Shyam", "city": "Bangalore"}, {"name": "Scott", "city": "Dallas"}]
```

Creating a REST api

- To receive the data sent via **POST** or **PUT** methods, use the `req.body` property
- Contains **key-value** pairs of data submitted in the request body
- By default, it is **undefined**, and is populated when you use body-parsing middleware such as **body-parser**

Creating a REST api

```
1 var express = require("express");
2 var app = express();
3
4 app.post("/users", function(req, resp){
5     var user = req.body;
6     console.log("Got a user data for posting")
7     console.dir(user);
8     resp.send("User data posted successfully!");
9 });
10
11 app.listen(3000);
```



```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - node index
C:\testing-express>node index
Got a user data for posting
undefined
```

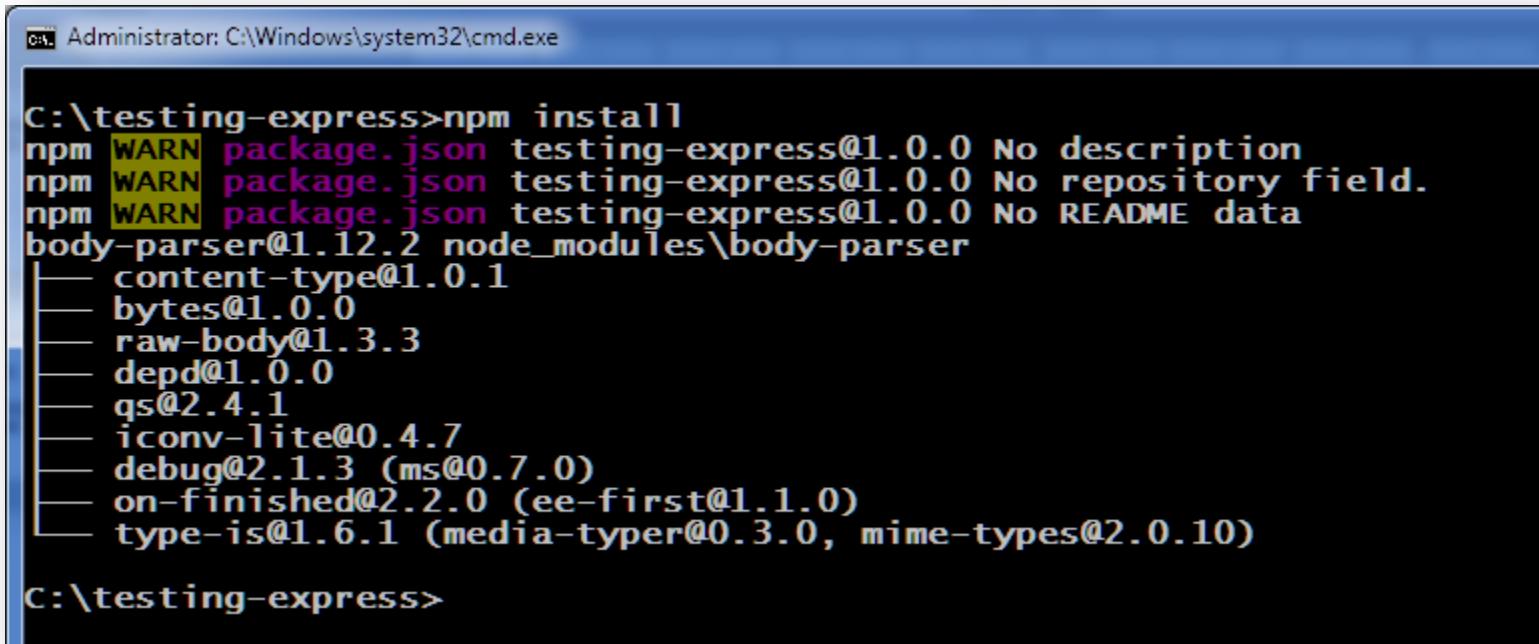
Creating a REST api

- Add the **dependency** in the package.json

```
1  {
2    "name": "testing-express",
3    "version": "1.0.0",
4    "description": "",
5    "main": "index.js",
6    "scripts": {
7      "test": "echo \\\"Error: no test specified\\\" && exit 1"
8    },
9    "author": "Vinod <kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com>",
10   "license": "ISC",
11   "dependencies": {
12     "express": "^4.12.3",
13     "body-parser": "*"
14   }
15 }
16 }
```

Creating a REST api

- **Update** the project



```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

C:\testing-express>npm install
npm WARN package.json testing-express@1.0.0 No description
npm WARN package.json testing-express@1.0.0 No repository field.
npm WARN package.json testing-express@1.0.0 No README data
body-parser@1.12.2 node_modules\body-parser
  ├── content-type@1.0.1
  ├── bytes@1.0.0
  ├── raw-body@1.3.3
  ├── depd@1.0.0
  ├── qs@2.4.1
  ├── iconv-lite@0.4.7
  ├── debug@2.1.3 (ms@0.7.0)
  ├── on-finished@2.2.0 (ee-first@1.1.0)
  └── type-is@1.6.1 (media-typer@0.3.0, mime-types@2.0.10)

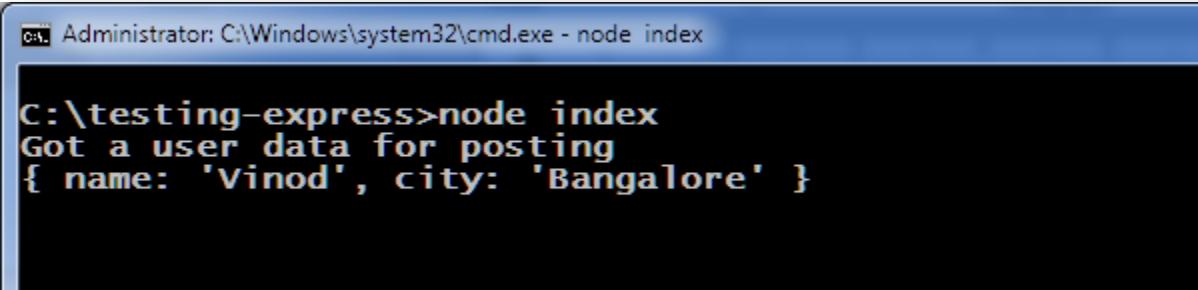
C:\testing-express>
```

Creating a REST api

- Modified version of index.js

```
1 var express = require("express");
2 var bodyParser = require('body-parser');
3
4 var app = express();
5 app.use(bodyParser.json());
6
7 app.post("/users", function(req, resp){
8     var user = req.body;
9     console.log("Got a user data for posting")
10    console.dir(user);
11    resp.send("User data posted successfully!");
12 });
13
14 app.listen(3000);
```

- And the result of POST request



The screenshot shows a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - node index". The command "node index" is being run. The output shows the application listening on port 3000 and receiving a POST request with user data: "name: 'Vinod', city: 'Bangalore'".

```
C:\testing-express>node index
Got a user data for posting
{ name: 'Vinod', city: 'Bangalore' }
```

Serving static content

- Configure the “app” to use the static content located in a folder using the express.static() method

```
app.use(express.static(__dirname + '/public'));
```

- The file “/public/index.html” will be sent automatically for the “/” request

Static content

public/index.html

```
index.html      *
1 <html>
2 <head>
3   <title>REST api</title>
4 </head>
5 <body>
6 <h1>This is a host of REST api</h1>
7 <hr />
8 <p>The following URL allows you to access the resource "Person"</p>
9
10 <p>GET</p>
11 <ul>
12   <li><a href="/persons">/persons</a></li>
13   <li><a href="/persons/2">/persons/2</a> (or any other id)</li>
14 </ul>
15
16 <p>The same can be accessed using POST, PUT and DELETE methods</p>
17 </body>
18 </html>
```

Static content

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "REST api". The address bar displays "localhost:3000". The page content is as follows:

This is a host of REST api

The following URL allows you to access the resource "Person"

GET

- </persons>
- </persons/2> (or any other id)

The same can be accessed using POST, PUT and DELETE methods

OVERVIEW OF MONGO DB

A NOSQL (Not Only SQL) database

MongoDB

- MongoDB is an open-source **document database**
- Hu**mongo**us DB
- Falls into the category of **NOSQL** databases
- Stores the data in **un-normalized** format
- Data is stored as **collections** of documents

Document database

- A **record** in an RDBMS is equivalent to a **document** in MongoDB
 - A data structure composed of field and value pairs.
- MongoDB **documents** are similar to **JSON** objects.
 - The values of fields may include scalar data, other documents, arrays, and arrays of documents.
 - Internally, MongoDB stores these documents in the binary format, called BSON (Binary JSON)

Document

```
{  
    id      : 7788,  
    name    : "Vinod Kumar",  
    phones  : [ "9731424784", "9844083934"] ,  
    emails  : [  
        {  
            type    : "personal",  
            address : "kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com"  
        },  
        {  
            type    : "official",  
            address : "vinod@knowledgeworksindia.com"  
        }  
    ]  
}
```

Advantages

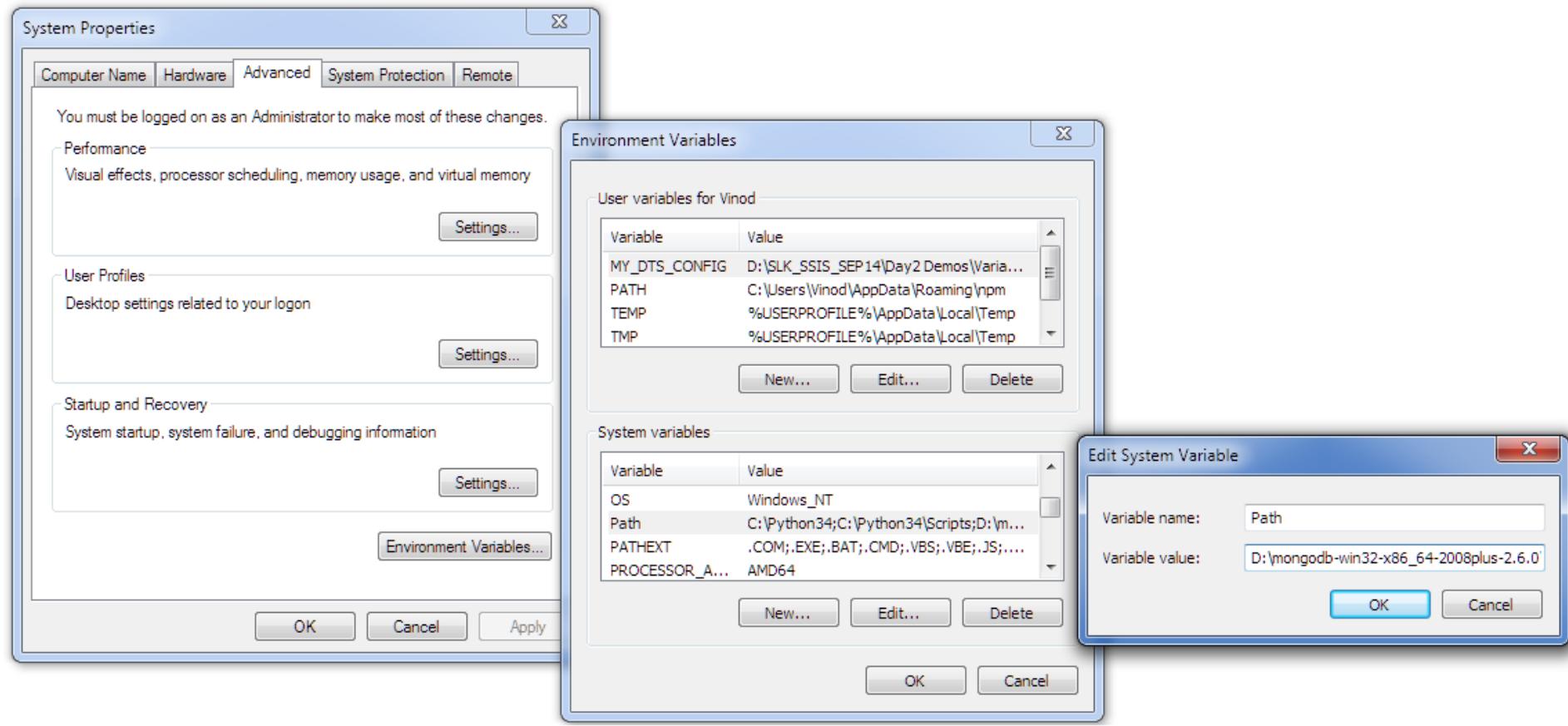
- Documents correspond to **native data** types in many programming languages
- Embedded documents and arrays **reduce need for expensive joins**
- **Dynamic schema** supports fluent polymorphism

Installation/setup

- Download the binary for your **operating system**
 - For Windows 7 64bit:
 - https://fastdl.mongodb.org/win32/mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0.zip
- **Unzip** to a drive
 - In my computer:
 - D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0

Installation/setup

- Add the D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0\bin to your **PATH variable**



Default DB location

- MongoDB requires a **data directory** to store all data
- MongoDB's default data directory path is **\data\db**
 - You can create this folder structure in the same drive as mongodb's installation drive
 - Or specify another location when starting the server

Starting the server

- The server can be started by running the **mongod.exe** executable
- Some of the useful options are:

--dbpath=PATH-TO-YOUR-DB

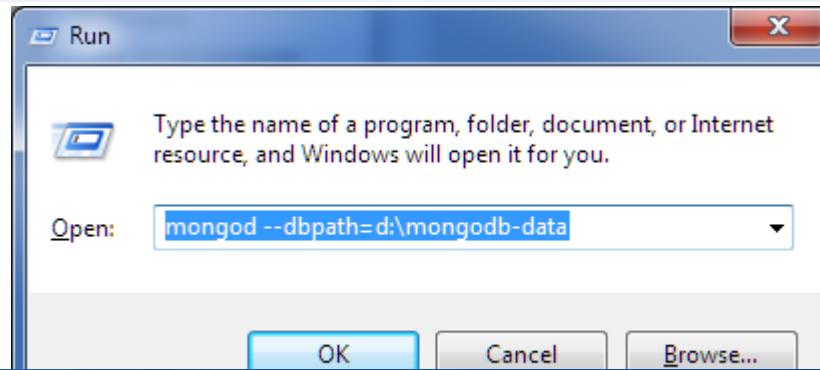
--port=27017

Example:

```
mongod --dbpath=d:\mongodb-data
```

(Note: you must create the folder manually before running this command)

Starting the server



```
D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0\bin\mongod.exe
2014-04-20T12:27:46.752+0530 [initandlisten] MongoDB starting : pid=1660 port=27017 dbpath=d:\mongodb-data 64-bit host=V
INOD-LENOVO
2014-04-20T12:27:46.753+0530 [initandlisten] targetMinOS: Windows 7/Windows Server 2008 R2
2014-04-20T12:27:46.753+0530 [initandlisten] db version v2.6.0
2014-04-20T12:27:46.753+0530 [initandlisten] git version: 1c1c76aec21c5983dc178920f5052c298db616c
2014-04-20T12:27:46.753+0530 [initandlisten] build info: windows sys.getwindowsversion(major=6, minor=1, build=7601, pla
tform=2, service_pack='Service Pack 1') BOOST_LIB_VERSION=1_49
2014-04-20T12:27:46.754+0530 [initandlisten] allocator: system
2014-04-20T12:27:46.754+0530 [initandlisten] options: { storage: { dbPath: "d:\mongodb-data" } }
2014-04-20T12:27:46.788+0530 [initandlisten] journal dir=d:\mongodb-data\journal
2014-04-20T12:27:46.789+0530 [initandlisten] recover : no journal files present, no recovery needed
2014-04-20T12:27:46.822+0530 [FileAllocator] allocating new datafile d:\mongodb-data\local.ns, filling with zeroes...
2014-04-20T12:27:46.823+0530 [FileAllocator] creating directory d:\mongodb-data\_tmp
2014-04-20T12:27:46.914+0530 [FileAllocator] done allocating datafile d:\mongodb-data\local.ns, size: 16MB, took 0.09 s
ecs
2014-04-20T12:27:46.917+0530 [FileAllocator] allocating new datafile d:\mongodb-data\local.0, filling with zeroes...
2014-04-20T12:27:47.131+0530 [FileAllocator] done allocating datafile d:\mongodb-data\local.0, size: 64MB, took 0.213 s
ecs
2014-04-20T12:27:47.132+0530 [initandlisten] build index on: local.startup_log properties: { v: 1, key: { _id: 1 }, name
: "_id", ns: "local.startup_log" }
2014-04-20T12:27:47.133+0530 [initandlisten] added index to empty collection
2014-04-20T12:27:47.160+0530 [initandlisten] command local.$cmd command: create { create: "startup_log", size: 10485760,
capped: true } ntoreturn:1 keyUpdates:0 numYields:0 reslen:37 312ms
2014-04-20T12:27:47.161+0530 [initandlisten] waiting for connections on port 27017
```

JavaScript Shell

- The executable “**mongo.exe**” provides an interface to issue direct commands on the db.
- By default the “mongo” command tries to connect to “**localhost**” and port “**27017**”
- You can connect to different ones using **--host** and **--port** options:

```
mongo --port 12345 --host vinod_homepc
```

D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0\bin\mongo.exe

MongoDB shell version: 2.6.0

connecting to: test

> show dbs

admin (empty)

local 0.078GB

mydb 0.078GB

> use mydb

switched to db mydb

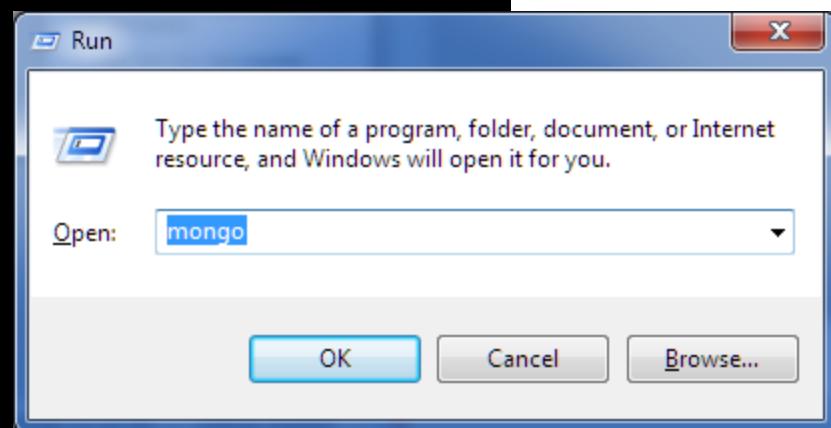
> show collections

persons

system.indexes

> db.persons.findOne()

```
{  
    "_id" : ObjectId("535370d8794187ae1c130ee3"),  
    "id" : 7788,  
    "name" : "Vinod Kumar",  
    "phones" : [  
        "9731424784",  
        "9844083934"  
    ],  
    "emails" : [  
        {  
            "type" : "personal",  
            "address" : "kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com"  
        },  
        {  
            "type" : "official",  
            "address" : "vinod@knowledgeworksindia.com"  
        }  
    ]  
}
```



Some commands to start with..

- show dbs
 - displays the list of databases
- use mydb
 - switches to the database “mydb” if exists, or creates a new with the same name and switches to it
- db
 - displays the current database in use
- db.dropDatabase()
 - Deletes the current database

Importing external data

- Use the **mongoimport.exe** tool to import external data into a database

```
mongoimport
    --host localhost
    --port 27017
    --db mydb
    --collection orders
    --file d:\orders.json
    --jsonArray
```

Some commands to start with..

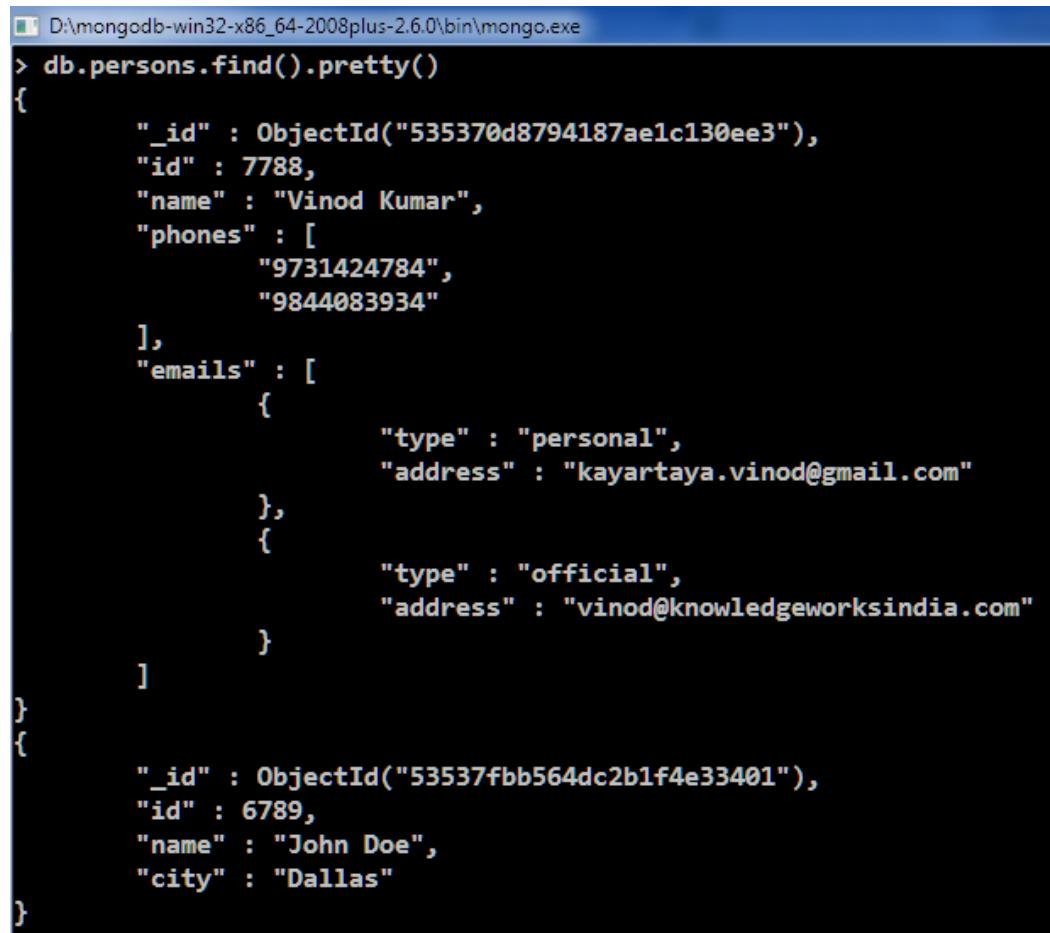
- db.<collection>.findOne()
 - Displays the first document in the collection
- db.<collection>.find().pretty()
 - displays the first 20 documents in an indented format

Some commands to start with..

- show collections
 - Displays the list of collections (tables in RDBMS)
- db.<collection>.insert(data)
 - If the collection exists, inserts the data, else creates a new collection with the same name and inserts the data

Some commands to start with..

```
p1 = {  
    id      : 6789,  
    name    : "John Doe",  
    city    : "Dallas"  
}  
  
db.persons.insert(p1);
```



The screenshot shows a command-line interface for MongoDB's mongo.exe program. The command entered is `> db.persons.find().pretty()`. The output displays two documents inserted into the `persons` collection. The first document, with _id `535370d8794187ae1c130ee3`, has fields `id`, `name`, `city`, and `phones` (containing two phone numbers) and `emails` (containing two email addresses: one personal and one official). The second document, with _id `53537fbb564dc2b1f4e33401`, has fields `id`, `name`, and `city`.

```
D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0\bin\mongo.exe  
> db.persons.find().pretty()  
{  
    "_id" : ObjectId("535370d8794187ae1c130ee3"),  
    "id" : 7788,  
    "name" : "Vinod Kumar",  
    "phones" : [  
        "9731424784",  
        "9844083934"  
    ],  
    "emails" : [  
        {  
            "type" : "personal",  
            "address" : "kayartaya.vinod@gmail.com"  
        },  
        {  
            "type" : "official",  
            "address" : "vinod@knowledgeworksindia.com"  
        }  
    ]  
}  
{  
    "_id" : ObjectId("53537fbb564dc2b1f4e33401"),  
    "id" : 6789,  
    "name" : "John Doe",  
    "city" : "Dallas"  
}
```

Some commands to start with..

```
D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0\bin\mongo.exe
> show collections
persons
system.indexes
> db.test_data.insert(p1)
WriteResult({ "nInserted" : 1 })
> show collections
persons
system.indexes
test_data
> db.test_data.find().pretty()
{
    "_id" : ObjectId("53538053564dc2b1f4e33402"),
    "id" : 6789,
    "name" : "John Doe",
    "city" : "Dallas"
}
```

Some commands to start with..

- db.<collection>.find()
 - Returns a cursor to the result
 - Displays the first 20 documents on the screen
 - type “it” to iterate again and get 20 more documents

Some commands to start with..

```
D:\mongodb-win32-x86_64-2008plus-2.6.0\bin\mongo.exe
> db.salesdata.find()
{ "_id" : 678, "date" : "2014-03-03", "area" : "Jayanagar", "sales" : 11979 }
{ "_id" : 679, "date" : "2014-03-03", "area" : "Basavanagudi", "sales" : 40675 }
{ "_id" : 680, "date" : "2014-03-03", "area" : "Malleshwaram", "sales" : 32669 }
{ "_id" : 681, "date" : "2014-03-03", "area" : "Rajajinagar", "sales" : 32017 }
{ "_id" : 682, "date" : "2014-03-04", "area" : "Jayanagar", "sales" : 11660 }
{ "_id" : 683, "date" : "2014-03-04", "area" : "Basavanagudi", "sales" : 12141 }
{ "_id" : 684, "date" : "2014-03-04", "area" : "Malleshwaram", "sales" : 29496 }
{ "_id" : 685, "date" : "2014-03-04", "area" : "Rajajinagar", "sales" : 16028 }
{ "_id" : 686, "date" : "2014-03-05", "area" : "Jayanagar", "sales" : 23684 }
{ "_id" : 687, "date" : "2014-03-05", "area" : "Basavanagudi", "sales" : 17454 }
{ "_id" : 688, "date" : "2014-03-05", "area" : "Malleshwaram", "sales" : 31525 }
{ "_id" : 689, "date" : "2014-03-05", "area" : "Rajajinagar", "sales" : 19682 }
{ "_id" : 690, "date" : "2014-03-06", "area" : "Jayanagar", "sales" : 26323 }
{ "_id" : 691, "date" : "2014-03-06", "area" : "Basavanagudi", "sales" : 48521 }
{ "_id" : 692, "date" : "2014-03-06", "area" : "Malleshwaram", "sales" : 16901 }
{ "_id" : 693, "date" : "2014-03-06", "area" : "Rajajinagar", "sales" : 37465 }
{ "_id" : 694, "date" : "2014-03-07", "area" : "Jayanagar", "sales" : 12764 }
{ "_id" : 695, "date" : "2014-03-07", "area" : "Basavanagudi", "sales" : 37370 }
{ "_id" : 696, "date" : "2014-03-07", "area" : "Malleshwaram", "sales" : 31562 }
{ "_id" : 697, "date" : "2014-03-07", "area" : "Rajajinagar", "sales" : 12805 }
Type "it" for more
>
```

CONNECTING NODE WITH MONGO

JavaScript server app using data stored in JavaScript database

Choosing the driver

- For connecting to Mongodb, there are close to **3000** drivers provided by the **node community**

2921 results for ‘mongodb’

mongodb

A node.js driver for MongoDB
version 1.4.35
159964 downloads in the last week

mongodb-promises

A simple promise based wrapper for mongodb
version 0.0.17
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MongoDB adapter for catbox
version 1.1.0
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MongoDB back-end for ABAC and Node.js.
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MongoDB driver written in literate coffeescript beca...
version 0.0.0
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MongoDB schema inference
version 0.0.2
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Feathers MongoDB service
version 0.3.0
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mongodb-wrapper

bedrock-mongodb

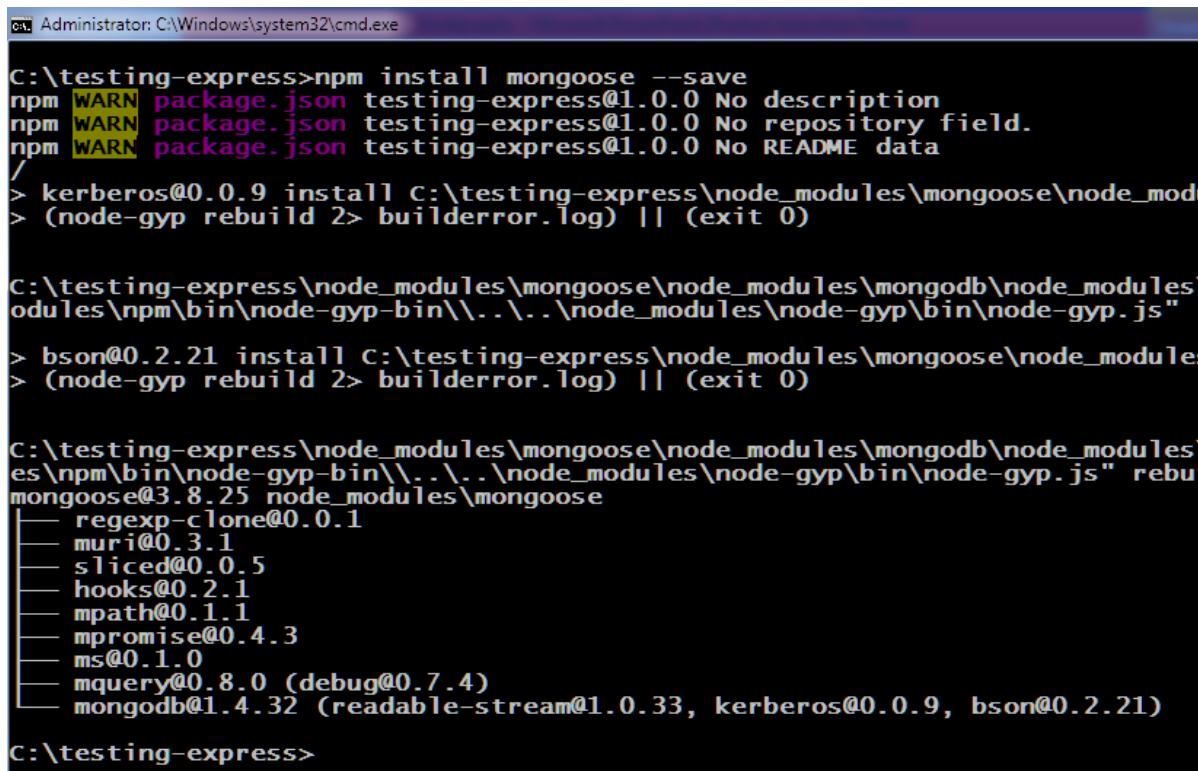
fortune-mongodb

Using mongoose

- Run the command:

```
npm install mongoose --save
```

in the command prompt



```
C:\testing-express>npm install mongoose --save
npm WARN package.json testing-express@1.0.0 No description
npm WARN package.json testing-express@1.0.0 No repository field.
npm WARN package.json testing-express@1.0.0 No README data
/
> kerberos@0.0.9 install C:\testing-express\node_modules\mongoose\node_modules\kerberos\src\binding.gyp
> (node-gyp rebuild 2> builderror.log) || (exit 0)

C:\testing-express\node_modules\mongoose\node_modules\mongodb\node_modules\kerberos>
odules\npm\bin\node-gyp-bin\\..\..\node_modules\node-gyp\bin\node-gyp.js"
> bson@0.2.21 install C:\testing-express\node_modules\mongoose\node_modules\bson\src\binding.gyp
> (node-gyp rebuild 2> builderror.log) || (exit 0)

C:\testing-express\node_modules\mongoose\node_modules\mongodb\node_modules\bson>
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mongoose@3.8.25 node_modules\mongoose
  └── regexp-clone@0.0.1
    ├── muri@0.3.1
    ├── sliced@0.0.5
    ├── hooks@0.2.1
    ├── mpath@0.1.1
    ├── mpromise@0.4.3
    ├── ms@0.1.0
    ├── mquery@0.8.0 (debug@0.7.4)
    └── mongodb@1.4.32 (readable-stream@1.0.33, kerberos@0.0.9, bson@0.2.21)

C:\testing-express>
```

Using mongoose - Connect to database

- Add **mongoose** to your application

```
var mongoose = require("mongoose");
```

- **Connect** to the database

```
mongoose.connect("mongodb://localhost/vindb");
```

- Create a **no-schema** model

```
var PersonModel = mongoose.model( "persons", new mongoose.Schema({_id: "Number"}, {strict: false}));
```

Using mongoose - Insert

- Adding a **new document** to the collection

```
var person = new PersonModel({  
    // person data to be added  
}) ;  
  
person.save(function(err) {  
    if(!err) {  
        // respond with a success status  
    }  
    else{  
        // respond with a failure status  
    }  
}) ;
```

Using mongoose - Update

- Updating an **existing document** to the collection

```
PersonSchema.update({_id: 5},  
    { // person data to be updated  
        // make sure to exclude _id },  
    { upsert: true },  
    function(err, doc) {  
        if(!err){  
            // respond with success status  
        }  
        else{  
            // respond with failure status  
        }  
    } );
```

Using mongoose - Query

- Finding **all** persons

```
PersonSchema.find(  
    function(err, docs) {  
        if(!err) {  
            // respond with docs  
        }  
    }  
) ;
```

- Find **one** person

```
PersonSchema.find(  
    { _id: 5 },  
    function(err, docs) {  
        // process and respond  
    }  
) ;
```

LET'S BUILD REST API

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