

GESSA TUTORING

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AGENDA

- What is node.js?
- Setting up node.js
- Requirements for a node application
- Demo

DISCLAIMER

I am not an expert in node.js!

If I don't know something, I'll try to get back to you later or you can let me know:)

REFERENCES

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WHAT IS NODE.JS?

Node.js is a cross-platform single threaded event driven non-blocking asynchronous runtime environment used to build server-side applications.

WHAT IS A SERVER?

- Java (Servlets, JSP)
- Python (Flask, Django)
- Ruby (Rails)

NON-BLOCKING

- What is a blocking operation?
- How does node.js execute a blocking operation?
- Why is blocking important?

SINGLE THREADED

Node.js operates on a single thread, using non-blocking I/O calls, allowing it to support tens of thousands of concurrent connections without incurring the cost of thread context switching.

SETTING UP NODE.JS

- Download from https://nodejs.org/en/download/
- Running on console node <server-file>.js

WHAT DO WE NEED?

To build a cool node.js application...

- HTTP Server
- Routers
- Request Handlers
- View Logic

THE TRADITIONAL HELLO WORLD PROGRAM

```
var http = require("http");
http.createServer(function(request, response) {
   response.writeHead(200, {"Content-Type": "text/plain"});
   response.write("Hello World");
   response.end();
}).listen(8888);
```

DEMO