



NODE JS OVERVIEW

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INTRODUCTION TO NODE.JS



Node.js is a JavaScript runtime built on Chrome's V8 engine, allowing developers to run JavaScript on the server side, enabling the creation of scalable and efficient web applications.

- **Node.js Installation**

1. Download Node.js from the official site.
2. Install and verify using:

```
node -v
```

```
npm -v
```

- **Node.js = Runtime + JavaScript library**

- **Creating Node.js Application**

1. Hello World Example:

```
const http = require('http');
http.createServer((req, res) => {
  res.write('Hello, World!');
  res.end();
}).listen(8080);
```

2. Run Command:

```
node app.js
```

REPL TERMINAL & NODE PACKAGE MANAGER (NPM)



- **REPL Terminal**

1. REPL stands for Read-Eval-Print Loop, an interactive environment for running commands where:

Read: Reads input and stores it in memory.

Eval: Evaluates the input.

Print: Displays the result.

Loop: Repeats until the user exits.

2. To start the REPL, run node

- **Installing Modules using NPM**

```
npm --version
```

```
npm install npm -g
```

```
npm install <module-name>
```

```
npm install express
```

```
node_modules
```

```
npm install express -g
```

- **Updating a Module**

```
npm update express
```

- **Search a Module**

```
npm search express
```

CALLBACK FUNCTIONS IN NODE.JS



- **What are Callbacks?**

An asynchronous functions passed as arguments for async operations.

- **Blocking and Non-Blocking Code**

Node.js uses synchronous (blocking) methods and also supports asynchronous (non-blocking) methods.

- **Blocking:**

The program waits for each operation to finish before moving on, leading to sequential execution.

- **Code:**

```
var fs = require("fs");
var data = fs.readFileSync('input.txt');
console.log(data.toString());
console.log("Program Ended");
```

- **Non-Blocking:**

The program doesn't wait for operations to finish, allowing it to handle multiple tasks concurrently.

- **Code:**

```
var fs = require("fs");
fs.readFile('input.txt', function (err, data) {
  if (err) return console.error(err);
  console.log(data.toString());
}); console.log("Program Ended");
```

SYNCHRONOUS VS ASYNCHRONOUS FILE SYSTEM IN NODE.JS



Node.js's File System (fs) module supports file operations with synchronous and asynchronous methods, favoring asynchronous for non-blocking execution.

- **Node.js File I/O methods:**



Read a File

SYNC

`fs.readFileSync`

`fs.readFile`



Write a File

`fs.writeFileSync`

`fs.writeFile`



Append to a File

`fs.appendFileSync`

`fs.appendFile`



Delete a File

`fs.unlinkSync`

`fs.unlink`



Rename a File

`fs.renameSync`

`fs.rename`

SYNCHRONOUS VS ASYNCHRONOUS FILE SYSTEM IN NODE.JS



Opening a File

SYNC

`fs.openSync`

ASYNC

`fs.open`



Getting File Info

`fs.statSync`

`fs.stat`



Closing a File

`fs.closeSync`

`fs.close`



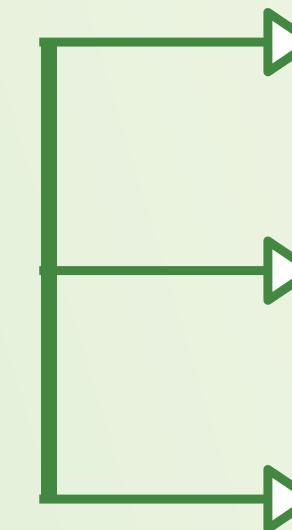
Truncating a File

`fs.ftruncateSync`

`fs.ftruncate`



Managing Directories



Create

ASYNC

Read

ASYNC

Delete

ASYNC

`fs.mkdir`

SYNC

`fs.mkdirSync`

`fs.readdir`

SYNC

`fs.readdirSync`

`fs.rmdir`

SYNC

`fs.rmdirSync`

EVENT LOOP & EVENT Emitter



Node.js is single-threaded, event-driven, and handles concurrency by triggering events for asynchronous tasks, enabling efficient request management. The Event Loop, with EventEmitter and events module, links events to handlers, boosting performance and scalability.

- **How the Event Loop Works**

```
var events = require('events');
var fs = require('fs'); // Import events module
var eventEmitter = new events.EventEmitter(); // Create an eventEmitter object
var connectHandler = function connected(){
  console.log('Connection successful.'); // Create an event handler
  eventEmitter.emit('data_received');} // Fire the 'data_received' event
eventEmitter.on('connection', connectHandler); // Bind the 'connection' event with the handler
eventEmitter.on('data_received', function(){
  console.log('Data received successfully.});} // Bind the 'data_received' event with a function
eventEmitter.emit('connection'); // Fire the 'connection' event
fs.readFile('input.txt', function (err, data) {
  if (err) {
    console.log(err.stack);
    return;
  } console.log(data.toString());
}); console.log("Program Ended."); // Demonstrate fs.readFile() for asynchronous file reading
```

NODE.JS GLOBAL OBJECTS



Global Availability: Node.js provides global objects (e.g., modules, functions, strings, objects) available across all modules without importing them.

- **Key Globals**

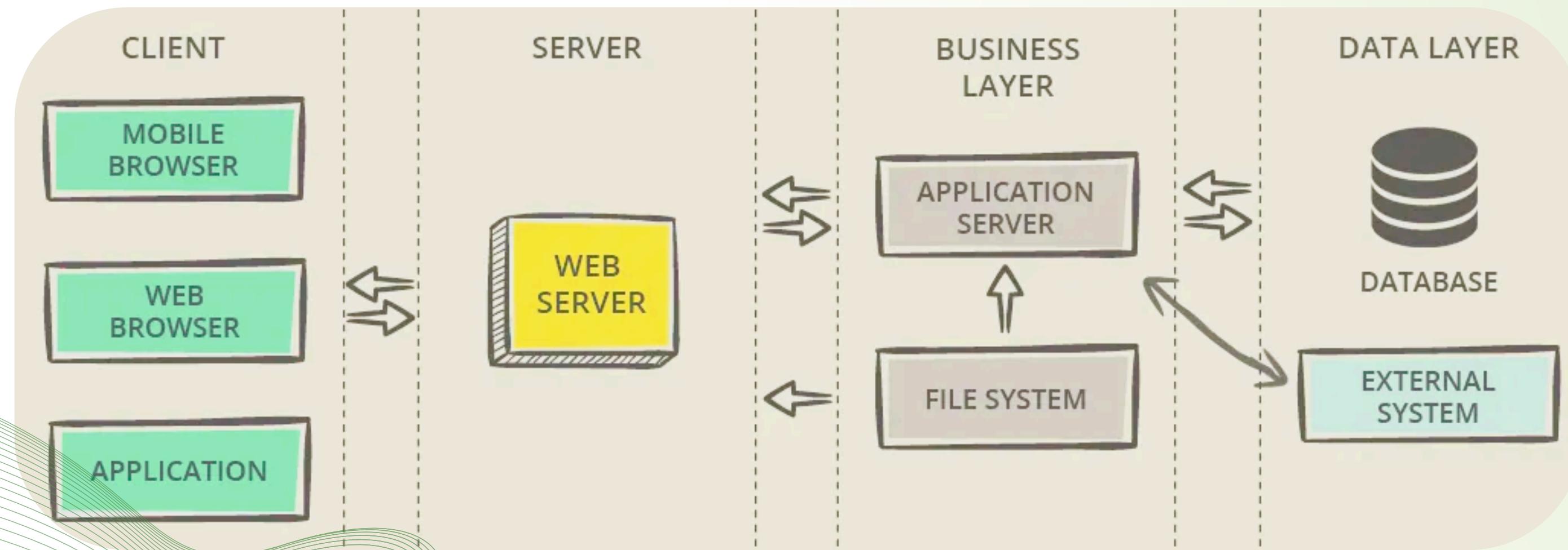
- `_filename`: Gives the full path of the current file being executed. `/path/to/main.js`.
- `_dirname`: Provides the directory name of the current file. `/path/to`.
- `setTimeout(cb, ms)`: Runs a callback after a specified delay (in milliseconds).
- `clearTimeout(t)`: Cancels a timer set by `setTimeout`.
- `setInterval(cb, ms)`: Repeats a callback at regular intervals (in milliseconds).
- `clearInterval(t)`: Stops a timer set by `setInterval`.

WEB SERVER AND CLIENT IN NODE.JS



A Web Server processes HTTP requests from clients (like browsers) and returns web pages, including HTML, images, and scripts. It may also handle server-side scripts by passing requests to an application server, which retrieves data and sends the response back.

- **Web Application Architecture**



CREATING A WEB SERVER WITH NODE.JS



Use Node.js's http module to create a server that:

- Reads client requests (e.g., /index.html).
- Sends requested content or handles errors (e.g., 404 for missing files).
 - **Example Server code:**

```
var http = require('http');
var fs = require('fs');
var url = require('url');

http.createServer((request, response) => {
  var pathname = url.parse(request.url).pathname;
  fs.readFile(pathname.substr(1), (err, data) => {
    if (err) response.writeHead(404);
    else response.writeHead(200).write(data);
    response.end();
  });
}).listen(8081);
```

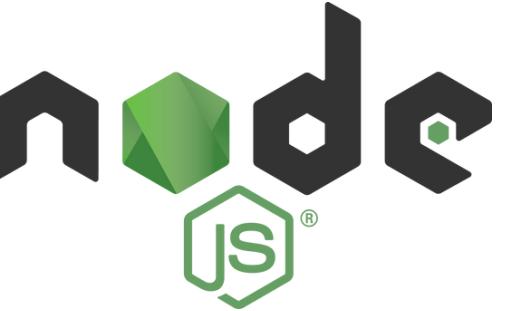
CREATING A WEB CLIENT WITH NODE.JS



Use Node.js's http module to create a client that:

- Makes requests to the server.
- Logs the server's response.
- **Example Client code:**

```
var http = require('http');
var options = { host: 'localhost', port: 8081, path: '/index.html' };
http.request(options, (response) => {
  var body = '';
  response.on('data', (data) => body += data);
  response.on('end', () => console.log(body));
}).end();
```



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