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# express-ejs-layouts

Layout support for ejs in express

npm package 2.5.0 build passing

## Installation

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$ npm install express-ejs-layouts
```

## Example

Check the example folder.

1. `git clone git@github.com:SodreZ/express-ejs-layouts.git`
2. `cd express-ejs-layouts`
3. `npm install`
4. `node example`
5. Open <http://localhost:3000/>

## Usage

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```
var express = require('express');
var expressLayouts = require('express-ejs-layouts');

var app = express();

app.set('view engine', 'ejs');

app.use(expressLayouts);

app.get('/', function(req, res) {
  var locals = {
    title: 'Page Title',
    description: 'Page Description',
    header: 'Page Header'
  };
  res.render('the-view', locals);
});

app.listen(3000);
```

## contentFor

A view

tyler

```
<%- contentFor('foo') %>
```

club

```
<%- contentFor('bar') %>
```

fight

With a layout

```
<%-bar%> <%-foo%>
<%-body%>
```

Renders

```
fight club
tyler
```

As another example, consider this view:

```
foo
<%- contentFor('pageSectionA') %>
bar
<%- contentFor('pageSectionB') %>
baz
```

Using it with this layout:

```
<div class="header"><%- pageSectionA %></div>
<div class="body"><%- body %></div>
<div class="footer"><%-defineContent('pageSectionB')%></div>
```

Will render:

```
<div class="header">bar</div>
<div class="body">foo</div>
<div class="footer">baz</div>
```

Notice that the difference between using `<%- pageSectionA %>` and `<%-defineContent('pageSectionA')%>` is that the former will generate an error if the view doesn't define content for this section.

## Script blocks extraction

If you like to place all the script blocks at the end, you can do it like this:

```
app.set("layout extractScripts", true)
```

A view

```
something<script>somejs<script>something
```

With a layout

```
<body>  
  <%- body %>  
  <%- script %>  
</body>
```

Renders

```
<body>  
  somethingsomething  
  <script>somejs<script>  
</body>
```

Enabling invididually:

```
req.render('view', { extractScripts: true })
```

When the "layout extractScripts" option is activated, scripts defined in views will be extracted (won't be a part of body ) and will be available for use in the layout through the variable `scripts` .

Another example:

This view:

```
<script src="/b.js" />  
<div>foo</div>
```

```
<script src="/a.js" />
<div>bar</div>
<script src="/c.js" />
```

Used with this layout:

```
<div class="main">
<%- body %>
</div>
<!-- place the scripts at the end of the html page -->
<%- script %>
```

Will render:

```
<div class="main">
<div>foo</div>
<div>bar</div>
</div>
<!-- place the scripts at the end of the html page -->
<script src="/b.js" />
<script src="/a.js" />
<script src="/c.js" />
```

## Style blocks extraction

Works exactly like script blocks extraction except:

- Supported tags are `<link rel="stylesheet" ...>` and `<style ...>`
- The option is named `extractStyles`
- The template variable in layout is `style`

## Meta blocks extraction

Works exactly like script blocks extraction except:

- Supported tags are `<meta ...>` and `<meta .../>`
- The option is named `extractMetas`
- The template variable in layout is `meta`

## Set custom default layout

### Set custom default layout

By default 'layout.ejs' is used. If you want to specify your custom layout (e.g. 'layouts/layout.ejs'), just set `layout` property in express app settings.

```
app.set('layout', 'layouts/layout');
```

### Set custom layout for single render

Just pass `layout` as render locals object.

```
app.get('/', function(req, res) {
  res.render('the-view', { layout: 'specific-layout' });
});
```

## Optional sections

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In a layout, you can have optional sections using `defineContent` : Unspecified section content defaults to `' '`.

```
1
<%-defineContent('a')%>
2
<%-defineContent('b')%>
3
```

with a view:

```
<%- contentFor('a') %>
1.5
```

will render:

```
1
1.5
2
3
```

# Running tests

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Clone the repo and run:

```
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