

Backend Path for starters

☐ API(s)

- ☐ A Beginner's Quick Guide to APIs: Definition and Types
<https://blog.postman.com/understanding-api-basics-beginners/>

☐ REST API

- ☐ What is a REST API? <https://www.redhat.com/en/topics/api/what-is-a-rest-api>
- ☐ Idempotency <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4OuaONkZw1I>
- ☐ REST API (tutorial) <https://www.restapitutorial.com/>

☐ Django

- ☐ Complete everything from here: <https://www.djangoproject.com/start/> including all sections of "Intro to Django"
- ☐ Tutorial (optional) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rHux0gMZ3Eg>
- ☐ Tutorial (optional) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5mRW0jo-U4> (this one is recommended by a friend)
- ☐ **Portfolio projects:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qPtScmB8CgA> (pick any two projects and implement using everything you've learnt)

☐ Database(s)

- ☐ Database paradigms: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W2Z7fbCLSTw>
- ☐ MySQL logic rundown/refresh video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cz3WcZLRaWc>
- ☐ Database indexing:
 - ☐ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-qNSXK7s7_w
 - ☐ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T9n_-_oLrbM

- ☐ Horizontal vs Vertical Database partitioning <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QA25cMWp9Tk>
- ☐ PostgreSQL and MySQL: differences, pros and cons
- ☐ SQLite (most SQL features apply here)
<https://www.tutorialspoint.com/sqlite/index.htm>
- ☐ **Linux Basics**
 - ☐ Linux Directories <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=42iQKuQodW4>
 - ☐ Crash course/tutorial <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PGnYjbYuUo>
- ☐ **Cloud**
 - ☐ Server-client model <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/client-server-model/>
 - ☐ Server less paradigm https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W_VV2Fx32_Y (very good tutorial with Firebase Cloud Functions, you'll need a credit card for upgrading to Blaze plan, but don't worry they don't charge you any money within the free tier limits)
The tutorial is a Node.js demo, doing it in python should be easy using [python package](#), open-access documentation because **Google**
 - ☐ Multi-tenancy architecture(used by cloud providers)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x8vtmX4vF9I>
 - ☐ Server basics: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JhpUch6IWMw>
 - ☐ Open source servers
 - ☐ Apache/HTTPD <https://medium.com/@me.sanjeev3d/https-medium-com-me-sanjeev3d-apache-webserver-a0d7f8167063>
 - ☐ NGINX (I prefer NGINX for various reasons)
 - ☐ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WHv_t_yK-QM (watch this for why NGINX is preferred more over Apache)
 - ☐ NGINX crash course: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WC2-hNNBWII> (this one is very good)
 - ☐ Server hosting basics (need an AWS/GCP billing enabled account, I'm not sure about Azure, will check later)

☐ **Interview question experience**

What are the main differences between serverless and server-based models?

Why is the serverless model gaining popularity?

Answer: There are multiple answers. Just google!

SQL and NoSQL databases: what are some advantages and disadvantages of one over the other?

Answer: Google is your best friend here too.

Why are NoSQL databases becoming the more preferred database choice?

Answer: Database scaling over multiple regions, and performance consistency using **sharding** even when data volume scales. The concept of sharding is a bit more critical with SQL databases. Also most people like to avoid direct SQL queries by using ORMs.

Name some use cases of each type of databases. Which DB type is more usable for which type of data?

Answer: nosql for time-series related data, redundancy infused data models.
sql for critical and sensitive information, and for transactions

will be adding topics to this page with time