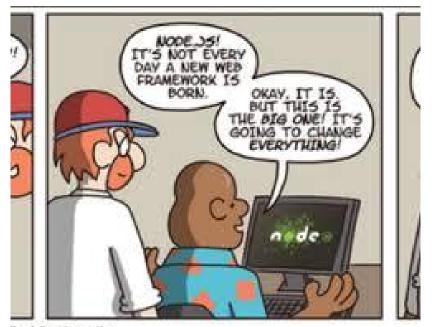


What is node??



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nodejs.org



```
function runInParallel() {
   async.parallel([
      getUserProfile,
      getRecentActivity,
      getSubscriptions,
   getNotifications
   ], function(err, results) {
      //This callback runs when all the functions complete
   });
}
```



Node.js

Open Source

Written in JavaScript

Event-Based

Utilizes V8 JavaScript Engine built in Google Chrome

Asynchronous

Can write for front-end and back-end

Concurrent users

Cross platform runtime environment for server-side and networking applications

Great if you need to do several things at the same time

Callbacks



npm

Benefits

- easier for JavaScript developers to share and reuse code
- easier for JavaScript developers to update their code





Node.js Install Fest Linux and Mac

<u>Step 1:</u>

Let's go to nodejs.org

Go to Downloads in the navbar

Select your installer

Start the Installer

Click Install and Finish

Step 2:

Enter your terminal:

type: node --version

Installation Complete!!!



npm: Updating

Node comes with npm, but npm updates more frequently

Terminal

- Type: sudo npm install npm -g
- Enter your password

```
~]$ sudo npm install npm -g
```



npm con't.

Terminal:

- Type: npm init -f-y-writes a package.json file for you
- Install and Require file
 - we're going to create a file
 - Type: console.log('Hello, npm!');
 - Run: node index.js
 - receive: Hello, npm!
 - Run: node
 - require





Node for Windows

- Download installer Nodejs.org
- Follow Installer
- Restart Computer
- To update just repeat the installation steps

Testing Exercise

Let's see if we downloaded node and npm correctly.

Test NPM - npm -v

Download Express

Navigate to your terminal, create a projects folder for your new project

cd into this folder and type the following:

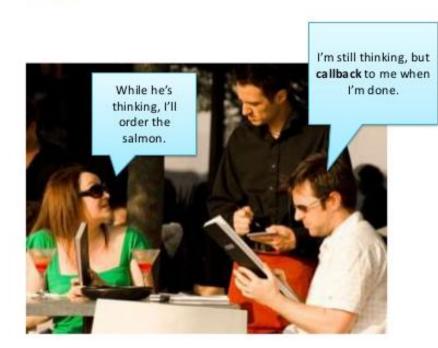
```
npm install --save <module name>
```





Asynchronous What is Node.js? | non-blocking I/O

Non-Blocking I/O Model



Every function in Node is non-blocking

Single-threaded

No parallel code execution

Single CPU



I/O

Input/Output Model

- Communication b/t the information processing system (computer) and the outside world
- Inputs: data or information received by the system
- Outputs: signals or data sent from it



Let's order lunch



You and your friends walk inside the food place and go **online**

The **server sits and waits** as you both decide what to eat

The server assists one person at a time...

So when your friend chooses an order, the server <u>process their food</u> and <u>moves on to you</u>



As a non-blocking system...

What is Node.js? | non-blocking I/O

Non-Blocking I/O Model



- Node loops through the customers and polls them to determine which ones are ready to order.
- During a function's queue, Node can listen to another event.
- When the other customer is finally ready to order, he'll issue a callback.
- Asynchronous callbacks: "come back to me when I'm finished"
 - function called at the completion of a given task.



Node.js/npm Summary

Node.js

- Runtime Environment for server-side and network app.
- Framework, requires (this class = Express)
- Written in C++, used with JavaScript
- Code sharing b/t serverside and client-side
- Allows high concurrency
- Asynchronous
- Open Source



npm

- Package Manager
- Packages as JS modules
- Makes it easier to share and reuse code
- Must update npm; updates more rapidly than node
- npm registry: https://www.npmjs.com/



The Possibilities....

- Create scalable, real-time web application with simplicity
 - even a web chat application (i.e. Gchat)
- Online Games
- Create a DNS Server
- Create an HTTP Server
 - with just 4 lines of code...
- Anything that sends updates to the user in real-time

