

back-end

HTTP & Forms

lab-3a

Stand-up!

*Show what
you did*

today

~~I. Stand up~~

II. HTTP

III. Forms

The background is a solid black field filled with a repeating pattern of small, light green geometric shapes. These shapes include triangles, squares, and circles, some of which are further divided into smaller sub-shapes, creating a complex, fractal-like texture. The pattern is distributed evenly across the entire image.

HTTP

http

?

The Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is an application protocol for distributed, collaborative, and hypermedia information systems. [...]

Hypertext is structured text that uses logical links (hyperlinks) between nodes containing text.

[wikipedia.org](https://www.wikipedia.org)

http

url

A Uniform Resource Locator (URL) [...] is a reference to a web resource that specifies its location on a computer network and a mechanism for retrieving it.

wikipedia.org

http

url

`http://test.example.com:3000/users/search?q=test&w=all#results`

http

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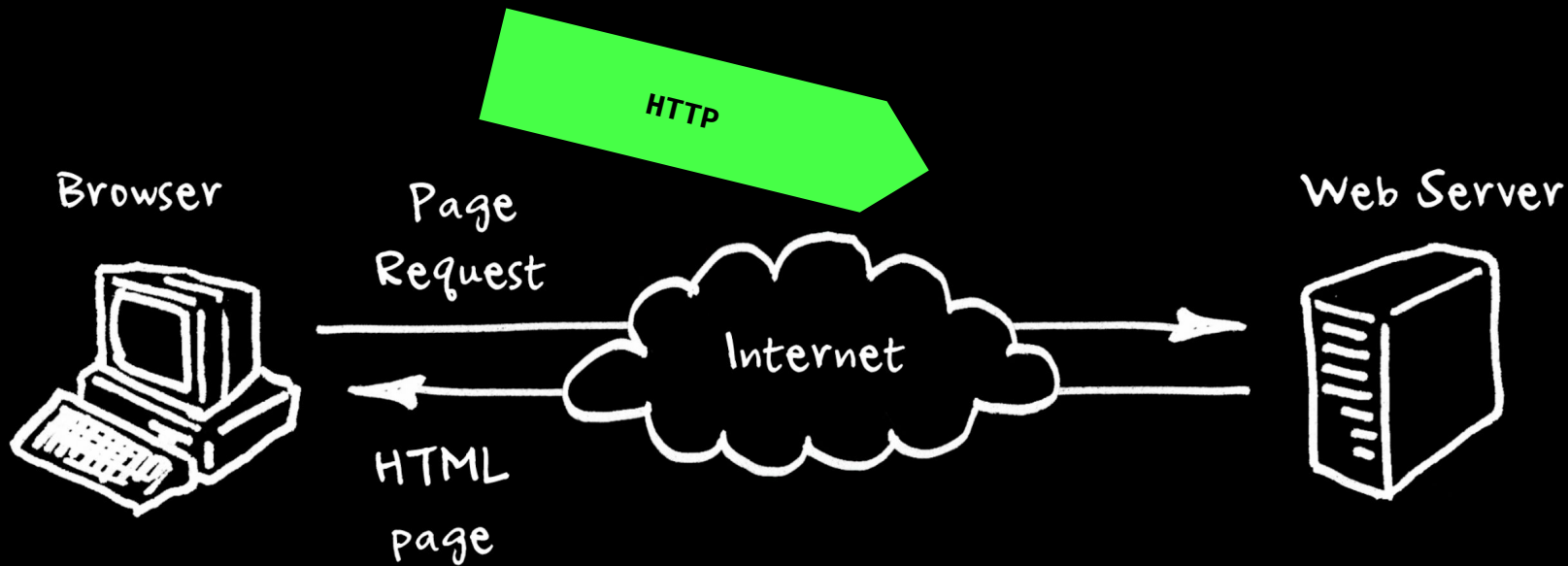
server

route

browser

http

req/res



http

response

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

status code &
status message

Date: Mon, 19 Feb 2018 15:40:02 GMT

Last-Modified: Tue, 13 Feb 2018 20:18:22 GMT

Content-Length: 29769

Content-Type: text/html

<!DOCTYPE html... (here comes the 29769 bytes of the requested web page)

http

status

| | Category | Range | Example |
|---|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| ❖ | Information | 1.. | 101 Switching Protocols |
| ❖ | Success | 2.. | 200 OK, 201 Created |
| ❖ | Redirect | 3.. | 301 Moved Permanently |
| ❖ | Client error | 4.. | 400 Bad Request, 404 Not Found |
| ❖ | Server Error | 5.. | 500 Internal Server Error |

http


methods

- ❖ **Create:** PUT, POST
- ❖ **Read:** GET
- ❖ **Update:** PATCH
- ❖ **Delete:** DELETE

http

get

```
> GET /users/1 HTTP/1.1
> Host: example.com
>
< HTTP/1.1 200 OK
<
< {"id":1,"name":"Anna","age":22}
```



```
bash
$ curl example.com/users/1

{"id":1,"name":"Anna","age":22}

$
```

Request a resource

http

post

```
> POST /users HTTP/1.1
> Host: example.com
>
> {"name":"Bisma","age":19}
>
< HTTP/1.1 201 Created
< Location: /users/2
<
< {"id":2,"name":"Bisma","age":19}
```

```
bash
$ curl example.com/users \
→ --request POST \
→ --data \
→ '{"name":"Bisma","age":19}'

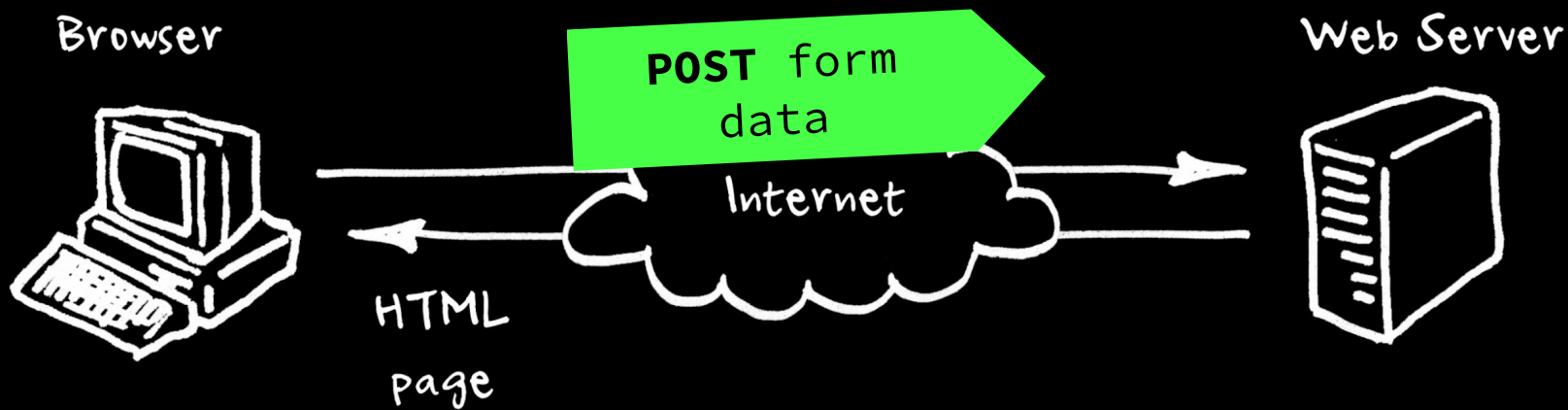
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$
```

Submit a resource

http

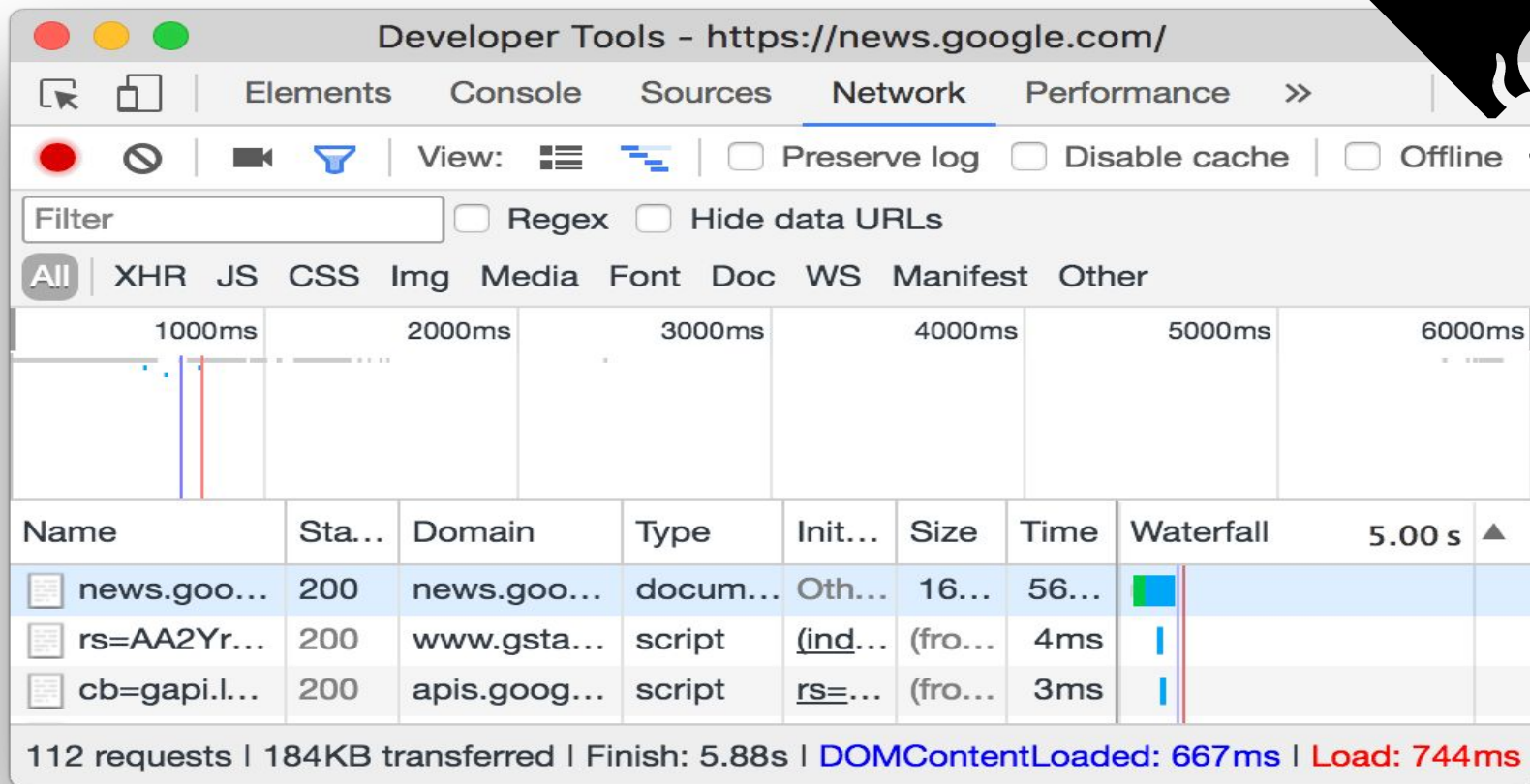
get/post



http

post

- ❖ **Text** `text/plain, text/html, text/javascript, ...`
- ❖ **Image** `image/jpeg, image/png, ...`
- ❖ **Audio** `audio/webm, audio/ogg, ...`
- ❖ **Video** `video/webm, video/ogg, ...`
- ❖ **Application** `application/pdf, application/octet-stream,...`



Live demo **network tab**

Forms

localhost:8000/add

Add a new movie

Title

Plot

Description

add

Add a movie

Express

view/add.ejs

```
<% include head.ejs %>
<title>Add a movie - My movie website</title>
<h1>Add a new movie</h1>
<form action=/ method=post>
  <label>Title <input name=title>
  <label>
    Plot (short)
    <input name=plot>
  </label>
  <label>
    Description (long)
    <textarea
      name=description
      rows=5
    ></textarea>
  </label>
  <button>Add</button>
</form>
```

Send a **POST** request...

Express

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...send **title**, **plot**, and
description

Express

form

slug

```
// Files
express-server/
├─ node_modules/
├─ static/
│  └─ index.css
├─ view/
│  ├─ add.ejs
│  ├─ detail.ejs
│  ├─ head.ejs
│  ├─ list.ejs
│  └─ not-found.ejs
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└─ package.json
```

```
bash
$ npm install slug body-parser

+ body-parser@1.19.0
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added 2 packages from 1 contributor in 1.214s

$
```

slug makes a string (such as a title) URL safe.

Express

form

body

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```

body-parser parses most things
you give it (json, forms, etc)

Express

```
index.js

var express = require('express')
var find = require('array-find')
var slug = require('slug')
var bodyParser = require('body-parser')

...

express()
  .use(express.static('public'))
  .use(bodyParser.urlencoded({extended: true}))
  .set('views', path.resolve(__dirname, 'views'))
  .set('view engine', 'ejs')
  .get('/', movies)
  .post('/', add)
  .get('/add', form)
  .get('/:id', movie)
  .use(notFound)
  .listen(8000)

...
```

Handle a post request to /

Express

index.js

...

```
function form(req, res) {  
  res.render('add.ejs')  
}
```

```
function add(req, res) {  
  var id = slug(req.body.title).toLowerCase()
```

```
  data.push({  
    id: id,  
    title: req.body.title,  
    plot: req.body.plot,  
    description: req.body.description  
  })
```

```
  res.redirect('/') + id  
}
```

...

body-parser parses the data and stores it in **req.body**

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...

title, plot, and description come
from **name** attributes on inputs

Express

Wonder Woman

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...and we can submit the form!

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remove

...but we cannot **remove** movies? And we can't **update** them.

input



Receive input from users on the server and manipulate that data for your own feature using HTTP request methods.

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So far we only send data (response) to the client with our server. A one-sided conversation. Now the fun starts, it's time to actually start receiving data from users. For example; users can enter something into an input field or submit whole forms with file uploads.

The description of this assignment is quite vague since the end result will be very specific to your Job Story. Make sure you at least spend the

work on **input**

input



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Note: *Input* is quite a ‘**large**’ and ‘**vague**’ assignment since the end result will be very specific to your Job Story.

exit;

see you in lab-3b!