Is AJAX still relevant today?

Short answer: Yes, AJAX is alive.

AJAX is far from dead. In fact, it still runs many top websites today. Every Single-Page-Application (known as SPA) that you use, or every page that you visit that has a partial page load, still uses AJAX techniques today.

If you search for "AJAX", you will mostly find 1-3-year-old articles that use outdated APIs and libraries.

That is why I have put this course together—to keep you updated on the latest AJAX techniques. Just remember, AJAX is not a programming language. It really is a technique that you use (through JavaScript) that allows a browser to send/receive data to/from a server.

However, how you write AJAX may change based on what libraries or frameworks you are using in your project.



AJAX

IS STILL RELEVANT

ANGULAR

Angular uses AJAX to build single page applications



REACT

React is a JavaScript library, so it also uses AJAX to make requests to a server



RUBY ON RAILS

Rails includes its own AJAX function called "Unobtrusive JavaScript"



LARAVEL

If you are a PHP developer, AJAX is sitll very applicable to you.



THERE ARE ALSO ALTERNATIVES TO AJAX

WebSockets

Server Send Events

Java Applets

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So, there you have it.

AJAX is still awesome and very much relevant.

See you in the next lecture.