Module 2: File System Module And Express.js

Demo Document 1

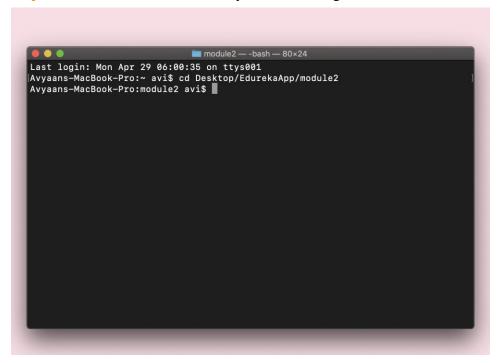
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Build an API using express, read a file with the FS module, and deploy the application using PM2 and Nginx

Step 1: Create a new folder in the system and navigate with the terminal or command prompt.

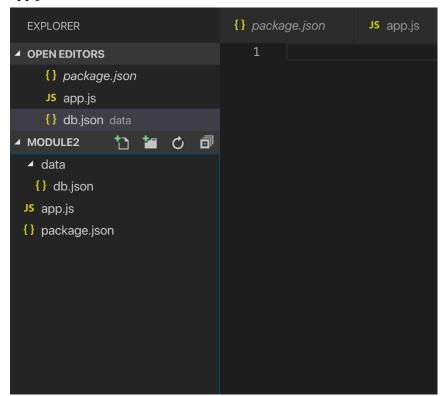


Step 2: Create 'package.json' inside the folder using command prompt with 'npm init' command and answer some questions regarding the app.

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| test command: | git repository: | keywords: Nodejs | author: Edureka | license: (ISC) | About to write to /Users/avi/Desktop/EdurekaApp/module2/package.json: | | "name": "moviesapp", "version": "1.0.0", "description": "this is about movies", "main": "index.js", "scripts": { "test": "echo \"Error: no test specified\" && exit 1" | }, "keywords": [ "Nodejs" | ], "author": "Edureka", "license": "ISC" | }
```

In the end, type 'yes' and a file with the name of package.json will be created.

Step 3: Create a folder structure with one db folder to put the 'db.json' file with sample data and app.js for server code.



Step 4: Specify start and dev command in package.json to run the application on the production as well as the Development mode with node <filename>.

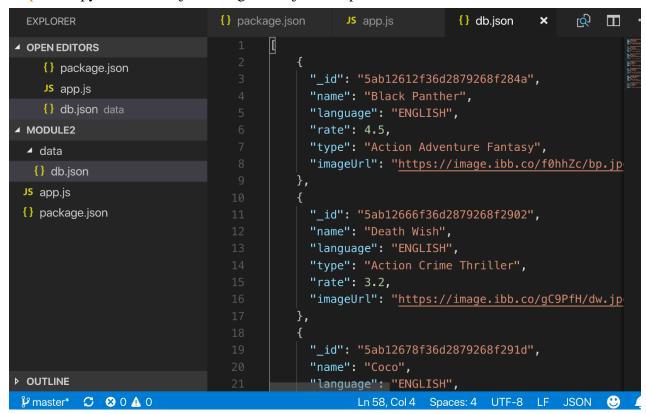
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                                          "main": "index.js",

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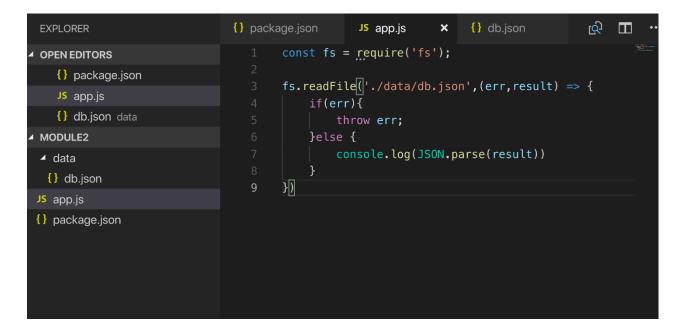
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                                          "start": "node app.js",

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   {} db.json
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                                          "keywords": [
                                            "Nodejs"
                                          "author": "Edureka",
                                           "license": "ISC"
```

Step 5: Copy data into db.json using the db.json file present on LMS.



Step 6: Require Fs module in app.js and use *fs.readFile* to read data from db.json and console in the terminal window.



Step 7: Run "npm start" in command prompt to run the application and db.json will be sent out in the console window.

Step 8: After read operation, we will use *fs.appendFile* to write in a text file in the data folder. *fs.appendFile* will append new data in the same file, in case of *fs.writeFile*, it will override the data.

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                                        const fs = require('fs');
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   {} package.json
    Js app.js
                                        fs.readFile('./data/db.json',(err,result) => {
    ≡ mytext.txt data
                                            if(err){
    {} db.json data
                                            }else {
MODULE2
                                                console.log(JSON.parse(result))

■ data
  {} db.json

    ≡ mytext.txt

 Js app.js
                                        fs.appendFile('./data/mytext.txt','My text read file\n',(err) => {
 {} package.json
                                            if(err) throw err;
                                                console.log('Data written successfully')
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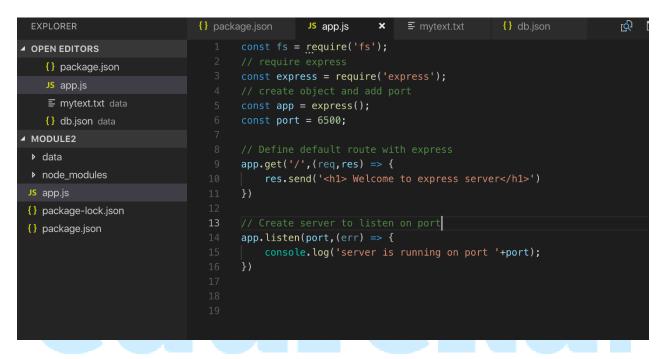
Step 9: Again, use the same command "npm start" or "npm run dev" we will see console data written successfully in the node console.

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Data written successfully
[nodemon] clean exit — waiting for changes before restart
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Step 10: To start creating a server with express, first of all install express in the same folder with the command "npm install express".

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Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:module2 avi$ npm install express
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- Step 11: Once installed, verify package must be added as dependency in package.json.
- Step 12: Just like Fs require express also in app.js and create an object. Define the default route which will send the default message and make the server to listen on the port provided.



Step 13: Again, run the application. To avoid start stop use "dev" command to start the application using "npm run dev" command. Open url localhost:6500 on the browser.



Step 14: Create one more route using express and add fs.readfile code in '/getMovies' route This will help to read data from the file and send as json to the browser.

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                                        const express = require('express');
   {} package.json
    Js app.js
                                        const app = express();
    ≡ mytext.txt data
                                        const port = 6500;
    {} db.json data
▲ MODULE2
                                        app.get('/',(req,res) => {
 ▶ data
                                            res.send('<h1> Welcome to express server</h1>')
 node_modules
JS app.js
{} package-lock.json
                                        🦞 Read file using express server
                                        app.get('/getMovies', (req,res) => {
{} package.json
                                        app.listen(port,(err) => {
                                            console.log('server is running on port '+port);
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In case of error, it will throw an error as well

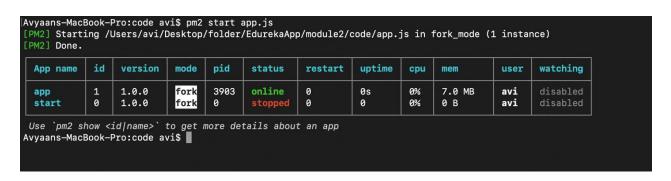
Step 15: Finally, run "http://localhost:6500/getMovies" to see response on the browser. It will send JSON data saved in the file to the browser.

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         "name": "Black Panther",
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         "language": "ENGLISH",
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         "rate": 4.5,
         "type": "Action Adventure Fantasy",
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         "imageUrl": "https://image.ibb.co/f0hhZc/bp.jpg"
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         "_id": "5ab12666f36d2879268f2902",
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         "language": "ENGLISH",
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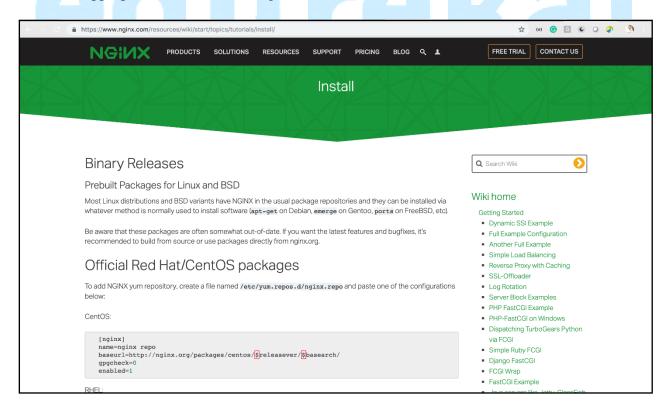


Step 16: Let's run the app over Nginx and achieve reverse proxy Install "pm2", this helps to run the application to run in the background and will keep it always running.

Step 17: Start the application using "pm2" and run in the background. To stop the application, use command "pm2 stop all"

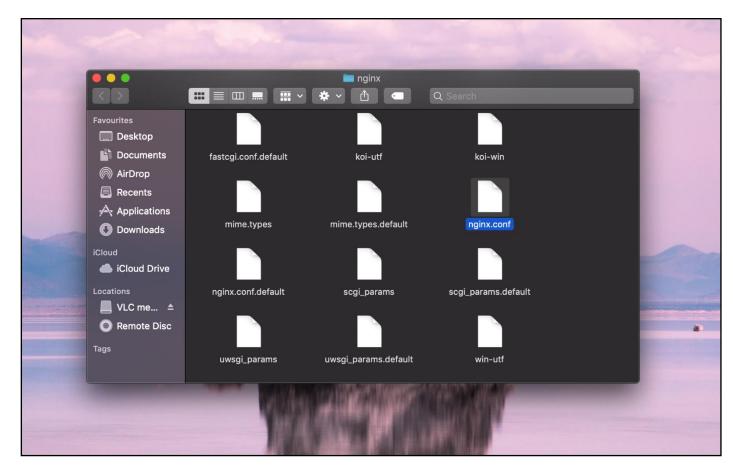


Step 18: Install Nginx for on the system Select the appropriate version according to OS.



Step 19: Navigate to the Nginx folder in your system and edit the nginx.conf file

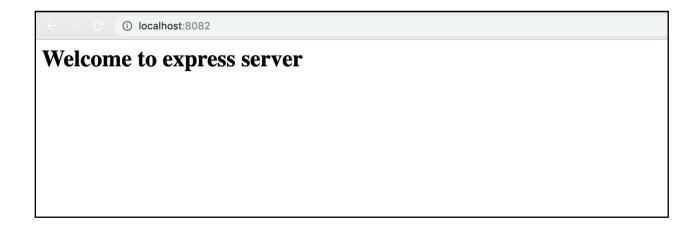
Path for Mac: /usr/local/etc/nginx Path for Windows: C:\nginx\conf



Step 20: Edit the Nginx.conf file and server key, add the path of running application over Pm2. And provide the path over which you want to run in reverse proxy.

Inside the Conf file, you can also set the SSL configuration.

Step 21: New port for running the application is localhost:8082 instead of localhost:6500 reverse proxy id implemented with Nginx



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