# Optimizing Modules for Distribution



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#### Modular Files



Increased number of project files



Browsers limit concurrent downloads



Tools available to consolidate files



#### Overview



#### RequireJS optimization tool

- Node
- Java
- Browser (some limitations)

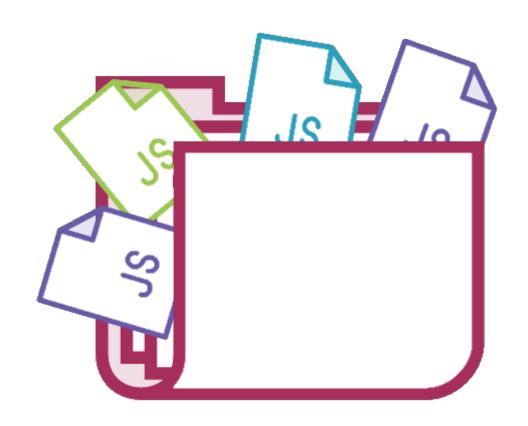
**Not installing Node** 

Download optimizer (r.js)

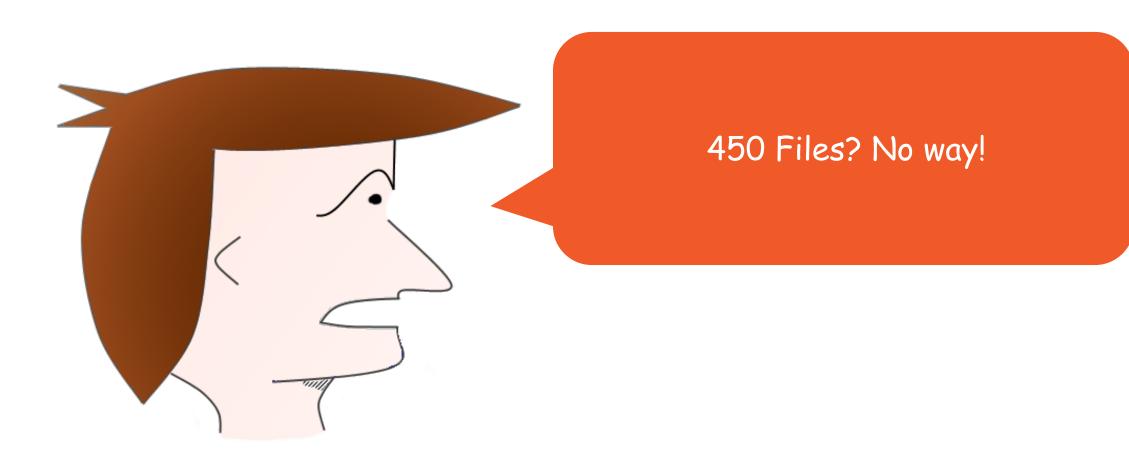
Focus on helpful options



#### Over 450 Files

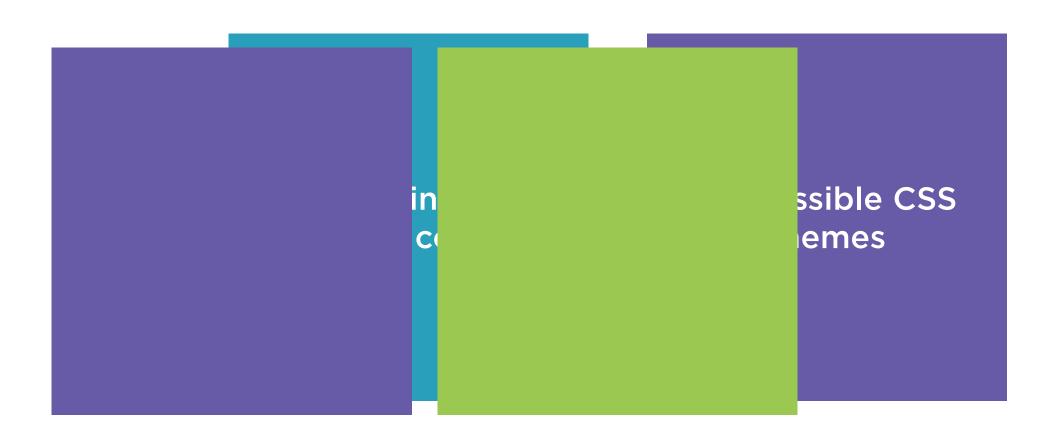








# jQWidgets

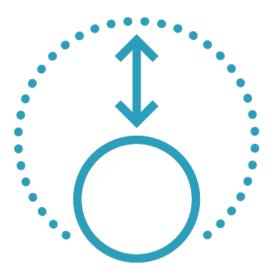




# Actual Project Files



Between 30 and 40 files



Bigger than expected



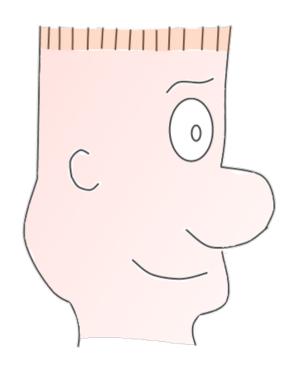
#### Going Live

Files must be downloaded

Development environment has immediate access

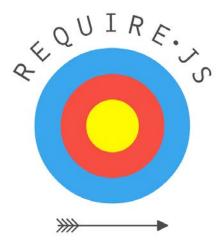
Users have bandwidth and browser limitations





Now that I know AMD, I'm not building large libraries again!

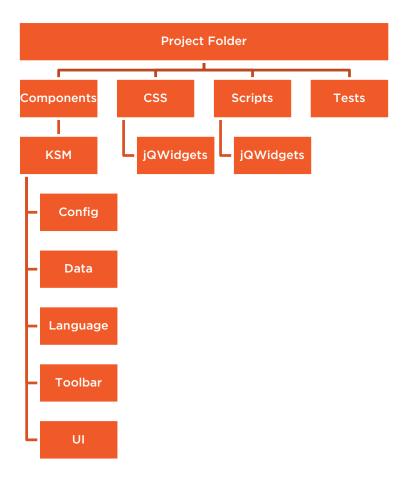
# Consolidating Modules



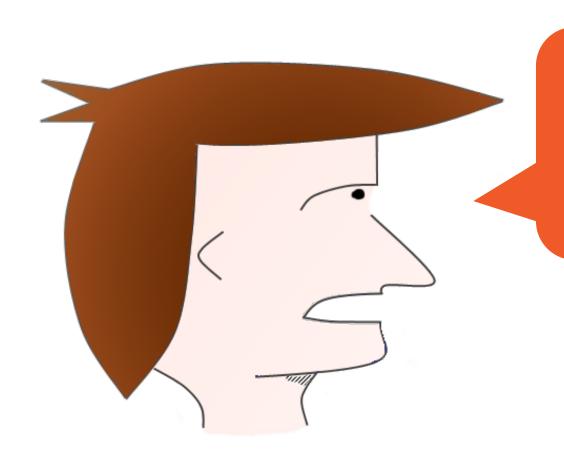
RequireJS optimization tool



# Project Organization







Modules are maintainable - libraries are a headache!

#### RequireJS Optimizer

Node version runs via command line

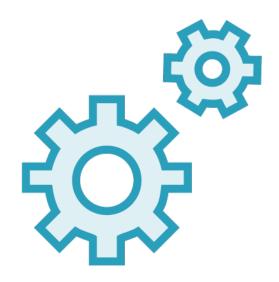
Accepts numerous parameters

Most options can be applied with the command line

Command line option quickly become impractical



# Build Configuration File



Place all options in configuration file



# "out" Property



File name for consolidated modules

KSM\_Optimized.js



# "name" Property



Starting point for code





#### Missing modules

- Toolbar
- Language
- Footer
- UI, loaders, and proxies

Included in paths property



#### Default Behavior



Only inspects dependencies listed in start code (not paths)

Start File
jQuery
Config

Only four files associated with startup code



## Waiting for Optimizer



30 second delay - feels much longer



#### Optimizing Issue

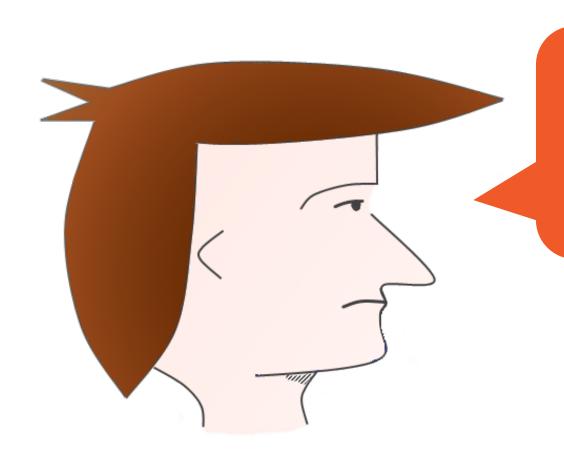
Large JavaScript libraries causing delays

Exclude third-party libraries from optimization

Many libraries available via CDN

Structure delivery based on client platform - or need



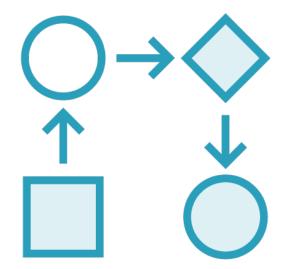


Just use an "exclude" property!

# There is no property that lets you specify one or more files to exclude from optimization



# Another Way

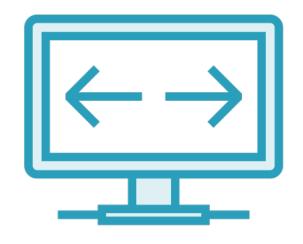




# Build Configuration "paths"



Copied from startup configuration



**Duplicate** configurations



Single configuration is desirable



# Optimizer Solution



Available since version 2.1.10

"mainConfigFile"



#### "mainConfigFile"

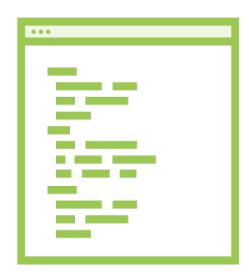
Specifies startup module containing configuration

Startup "paths" will be used for optimization

Single "paths" property to maintain



#### Pointer Problem



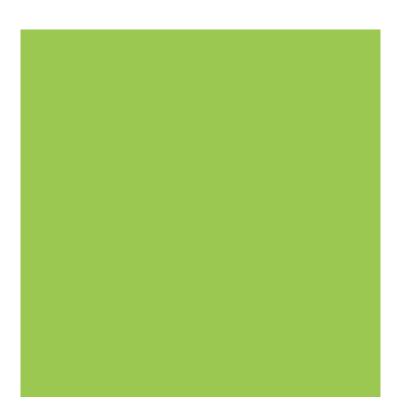
Code needs actual pointer to libraries



Build file needs "empty:" reference



# Optimizer Solution



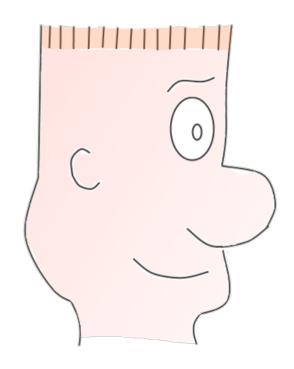


# Results



New modules automatically participate in optimization





How is the optimized code referenced in the HTML?



#### Same Architecture





## More Optimizer Information



**Optimize CSS files** 



requirejs.org/docs/optimization.html







#### Summary



#### Refactored legacy libraries

- Only when necessary

Footer module is template

"shim" options

Sample UI library

**Decoupled modules** 

**Bundled modules with optimizer** 



# JavaScript Asynchronous Module Definition (AMD) Explained



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