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Agenda

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- Express Pipeline
- □ What is Passport?
- Implementing Registration
- Securing Passwords
- Using Passport
- Implementing Login
- Authorizing Pages and API



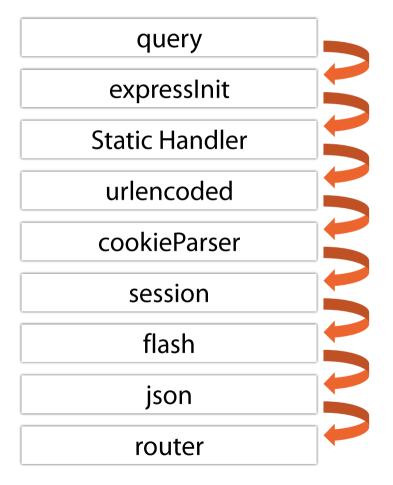


NODE.JS AND EXPRESS SUPPORTS MIDDLEWARE

SIMILAR TO ASP.NET PIPELINE OR ASP.NET MVC/WEB API FILTERS

Node.js and Express

```
// Implicit
app.use(express.static(__dirname + '/public'));
app.use(express.urlencoded());
app.use(express.cookieParser());
app.use(express.session({ secret: 'foo' }));
app.use(flash());
app.use(express.json());
// First causes 'router' to be added
app.get("/api/users", function (req, res) {");
  res.send({ firstName: "Hello" });
});
```



PASSPORT

Not that passport...Authentication Middleware

- Pluggable
 - Username/password
 - Facebook/Google/etc.
 - OAuth
- API Auth too



















Summary

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- The pipeline in Express apps is simply a set of functions that are chained
- Passport is security middleware that supports a variety of authentication schemes
- For local security, you'll need to implement your own registration
- Don't store passwords. Really. I am not kidding.
- Passport is simple to plugin to Express but you need to implement verification and serialization
- Once passport is plugged in, adding a login page is trivial
- Testing for authentication can let you protect pages and APIs from anonymous users