

## Middleware

**Middleware** functions are functions that have access to the request object (req), the response object (res), and the next function in the application's request-response cycle. The next function is a function in the Express router which, when invoked, executes the middleware succeeding the current middleware.

All middleware has access to req, res and next

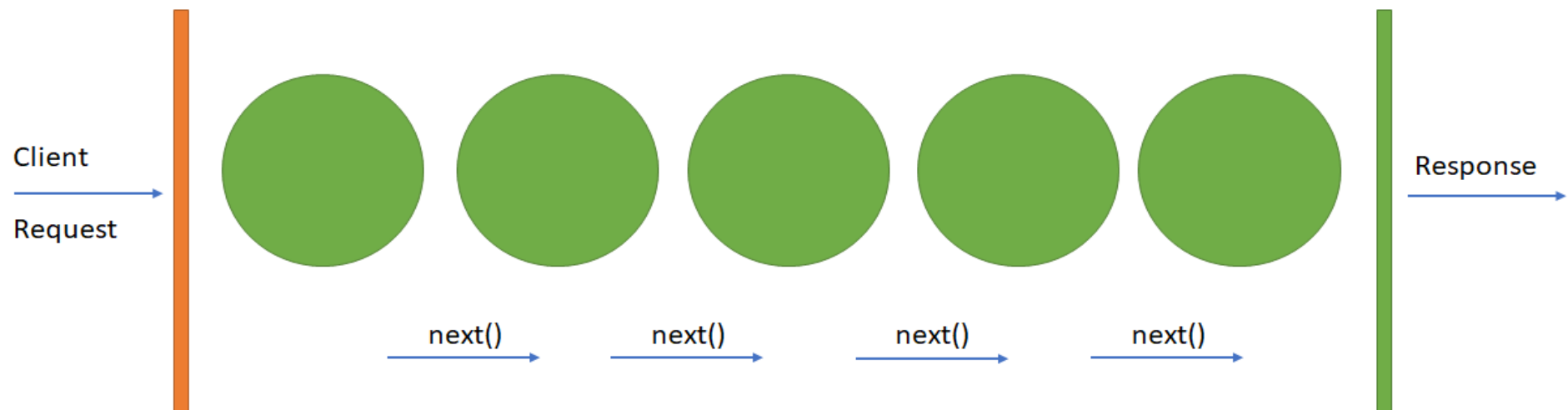


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Middleware functions can perform the following tasks:

- Execute any code.
- Make changes to the request and the response objects.
- End the request-response cycle.
- Call the next middleware in the stack.

Some more links to read (These are completely optional to read, they are just for extra knowledge).

1. Using a Middleware -

<https://expressjs.com/en/guide/using-middleware.html>

2. Medium Blog -

<https://hackernoon.com/middleware-the-core-of-node-js-apps-ab01fee39200>

3. Writing a Middleware -

<https://expressjs.com/en/guide/writing-middleware.html>