

• What else can I fuck around w/ during this final half hour? Perhaps Project Management literature?

• Man, at this point I kinda feel like I'm just burning through time → not really making solid progress. Is there a way to get 20 minutes more in to make my time good? Or should I just throw in the towel?? → I think I'm calling it a day!...



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[index.js]

definitions and metadata

```
var express = require('express');
var app = express();
var router = app;
app.use(bodyParser.json());
```

```
router.get('/form', function(req, res) {
  :
  :
  :
});
```

```
router.post('/formpost', function(req, res) {
  :
  :
  :
});
```

```
app.listen(3000, function() {
```

console.log('Example app listening on port 3000!');

```
});
```

client → user

lawfirm → browser

govt office → server

fax (Express...)

Janey's office (get('/...')) room 217

Steve's office (another router.get() or router.post())

protocol → Express (rip off fax, scan metadata from cover sheet)

packages → part of Express

registry → of who handles what sort of request inside govt office

↳ white board: lists who's working today and what kind of request they can respond to

(Express is software running on Server → people, practices, & protocols @ work in govt office)

• fax office page looks @ white board registry, sees → Janey's in charge of handling router.get('/...') today, then hands her info from fax...

• my code:

"part of Express"

"separate layer on top of Express"

"software @ runs w/ Express"

→ 2 populated offices down the hall (Janey / get('/...'); Steve...)

w/ people, practices, and protocols

• My software-offices are down the hall ~~to~~ from the offices @ sit on top of fax machine (Express)

→ my people don't know as much about how to use fax machine, which is why we moved into an office complex w/ people who do know how to use fax machine / mail hub (Express)

my software:

• dispatch someone from each of my offices to the fax room to write on the whiteboard (registry): "come and contact Janey (router.get('/...')) in this event"; "come and contact Steve in this other event"

• URL registry

when I say → backbone / core level of index.js file

router.get('/...') → registering a URL handler (Q's what .get() handler does)

- router.get('/', function(req, res) { }) → first argument: string ① describes URL  
 → second arg: function ② knows how to communicate over a certain protocol: receives 'request' object and 'response' object  
 → unboxed 'req' and preparing-to-be-boxed 'response' object  
 • (a) received from web browser,  
 (b) we opened up  
 • we've got to respond to ②.  
 • we've got a prototyped, almost finished 'response' object ③ we're almost finished putting things into & then take up to send off.

Express people don't know Janey or Steven, all they know is ④ they need to deliver the fax w/ the described request, and then deliver back the finished box → That's all Express has to do.

Janey knows how to bridge the gap b/w reading the fax and filling up the box to be sent back out. → my function ⑤ I write, what I register against the '/' URL.

- Janey and Steve walk down the hall to Fax Office (Express)
- J & S tell Fax Staffperson what to write on whiteboard ('if /', contact Janey, etc.)
- I run a handful of those requests (J & S go to Fax office to request update to whiteboard) every time I run index.js on Server (node ./routes/index.js)

- when I first run index.js
- ① unpack some 'metadata' boxes in the whole office area: make sure lights turn on, phone lines are set up, etc.
  - ② Intern/admin from Janey & Steven's office walk down the hall to Fax office/Mail Room to tell their staff what to write on whiteboard.

→ Janey & Steven are one-off functions ⑥ appear w/in route router.get, router.post calls → (the contents w/in function (req, res) & ⑦);

Important fact: router.get or router.post associates function to URL (via registry).

• it's all it does; just creates association.

• The association is remembered in Express, and used in the future when Express gets a call for someone who can handle a particular URL: it can call the correct function b/c it's been told in the past & it remembers. (memory is registry)

• Router.get / Router.post happens one time (and one time only) after index.js is called and run on server.

↑ tangential to cookies, lay the groundwork ↑

- Client walks into lawyer's office: I need to talk to govt.
- Lawyer pulls out standardized fax cover sheet, then faxes to govt. office [prepares]

info from

- fax rec'd @ govt office by staff trained by Express; scan coversheet, notice it's a request for URL, looks up @ Express-internally-managed registry: send this fax to Janey's office. Janey's office staff performs the tasks w/in function, finally, when all done, Janey's office has standard form for response & fills out details
  - ↳ Standard form == index.ejs : the web page looks the same every time except for contents w/in %>% brackets, which changes is filled in based on certain logic; Values of logic depend on results of function w/in router.get('/', as well as logic formed by values on static form (eg, new table row on index.ejs file)).
- When all, send box back to Express office. When done, some clerk in Express office does the job of unpacking data and sending to res.render copying data from res.render(box) and sending it to .ejs file. Then sticks it in fax machine and hits send.
- Fax gets sent back to lawyer! Lawyer rips off fax and gives to client: it's a beautiful graph of time/temp entries.

## COOKIES [Lawyer is web browser]

Lawyer/web browser saves loads of temporary data about their interaction w/ particular govt office/web site.

• Cookie exists on both sides of fax transaction: on cover sheet of both sides → cookie doesn't have meaning unless it's stored on both sides of transaction

→ Lawyer stores card (cookie key) w/in client file and use every time interact w/ govt office/server site.

→ identifies a particular conversation

- Instead of making user login every time, server sends browser cookie key to save and use each time web browser communicates w/ web server →
  - static, saved key works every time browser communicates w/ server, and browser can then have access to other data saved on server side.

• Lawyer/browser automatically saves cookie key in browser cache.

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## cookie key

- Secret → browser's storing wasn't generated by browser, it was generated and sent by server.

• needs to have another registry somewhere → remembers cookie keys → doesn't live in Janey's office, not in Steven's (authentication protocol) || office, not in Express Tax/Mail room. Somewhere there's a permanent records office in Server/govt dept → and they'll keep records on behalf of everyone. Janey and Steven and everyone can communicate w/ permanent records directly.

• Janey's office needs to know → communication w/ Firefox & Sons Lawfirm (browser) is safe: makes an internal check to permanent records (w/ in Server) to verify authentication & to gain access to browser-specific data and history.

- It's up to me to build system for permanent records → Janey and Steven can access. → DB Table.

→ common to make record storage as general as possible

id	cookie-key	Session-data
01	Key: Value	Key: Value, Key: Value, Key: Value

DB table of all known Cookies:

Keys are cookie values.

Values are session data

2-layer dictionary

id	cookie-key: session-data
01	cookie-key: { session-key: session-data }, { session-key: session-data }

high-level  
(object)

[User-name: chaunay, last-login: 2017-Aug-22 05:17]

15:30 things → my URL handlers would like to know

- clear browser cache → browser forgets cookie key
- log out of website → server forgets cookie key.

• don't delete any records, just invalidate data for future use.

• my setup: each office in govt bldg to validate cookie before doing anything

- (except for login page - should I get to point)

→ extract out as separate function, then call function for each URL handler.

global var: no asynchronous

db dive: asynchronous callbacks.

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