**APIs**

APIs serve as the medium through which data gets transferred. They act as a bridge between the back end and the databases and allows the developers to fetch the user data. Typically, most back-end developers work with Python and NodeJS to create the APIs.

### Servers

Servers are the backbone of any back-end development. They work round the clock and aid in delivering essential services such as receiving requests for web-based files and transferring such files to the client.

Back-end developers should have knowledge about deploying or hosting servers and be familiar with commonly used servers like Apache, Nginx, IIS servers, and Microsoft IIS. Proficiency of cloud-based platforms such as AWS, Heroku, Google Cloud Platform is a bonus for cracking those **server-side interview questions**.