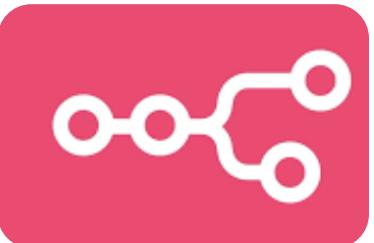


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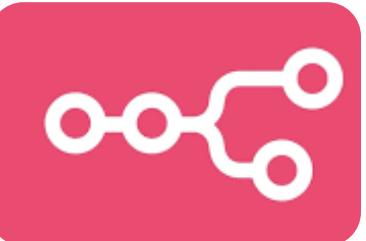


*Create your first automation in n8n* 

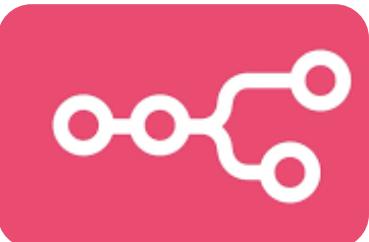




# What is a Node in n8n?

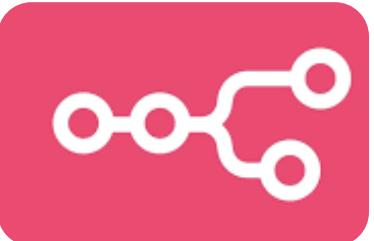


- A node is a single step in an automation
- Each node performs one specific task
- Nodes are connected to build workflows
- Examples: Send Email, Get Data, Trigger Event

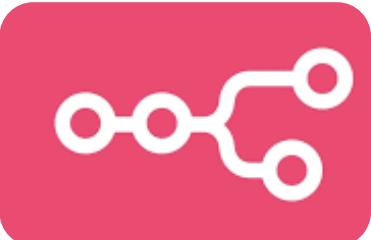


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# What is a Trigger?

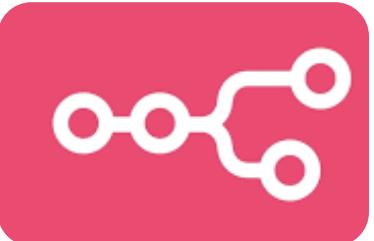


- A trigger starts the automation
- It decides when the workflow should run
- Every workflow must have at least one trigger



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# Types of Triggers

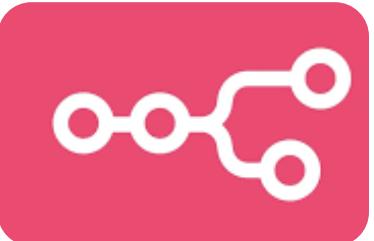


- **Manual Trigger:** Starts when you click “Execute”
- **Webhook Trigger:** Starts when data is sent from another app
- **Schedule Trigger:** Runs at a fixed time or interval
- **App Event Trigger:** Runs when something happens in an app.





# What is SMTP?



- SMTP stands for Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
- It is used to send emails
- n8n uses SMTP to send automated emails
- Works with Gmail, Outlook, and custom mail servers.

