

THE ART AND SCIENCE OF WEB PROGRAMMING

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B: CONTENT

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ADMINISTRIVIA

ENROLLMENT IS
AT MAX CAPACITY

KEEP CHECKING ONLINE FOR OPENINGS

GET YOUR GITHUB
STUDENT DEVELOPER PACK

COURSE STAFF

Ranjitha Kumar

Siebel 3116, Wednesday 1-2 PM

Biplab Deka

TBD

Abhishek Harish

TBD

No OH this week

Please don't email us -- use Piazza

LECTURES & LABS

Lectures cover theory and concepts

Labs walk through concrete code examples

Bring your laptops to labs and follow along

ASSIGNMENTS / MPS

5 MPs

Learn the entire Web stack

Late assignments receive **no credit**

Three 24-hour late days

FINAL PROJECT

Design, implement, and deploy original Web app

3-4 person team

Multiple checkpoints: proposal, functional prototype

No late days

EXAMS

3-hour midterm on Mar 29th

Alternative arrangements must be
made **two-weeks prior** to exam

No final exam

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Consult external resources to complete assignments

Clearly cite any contributing source

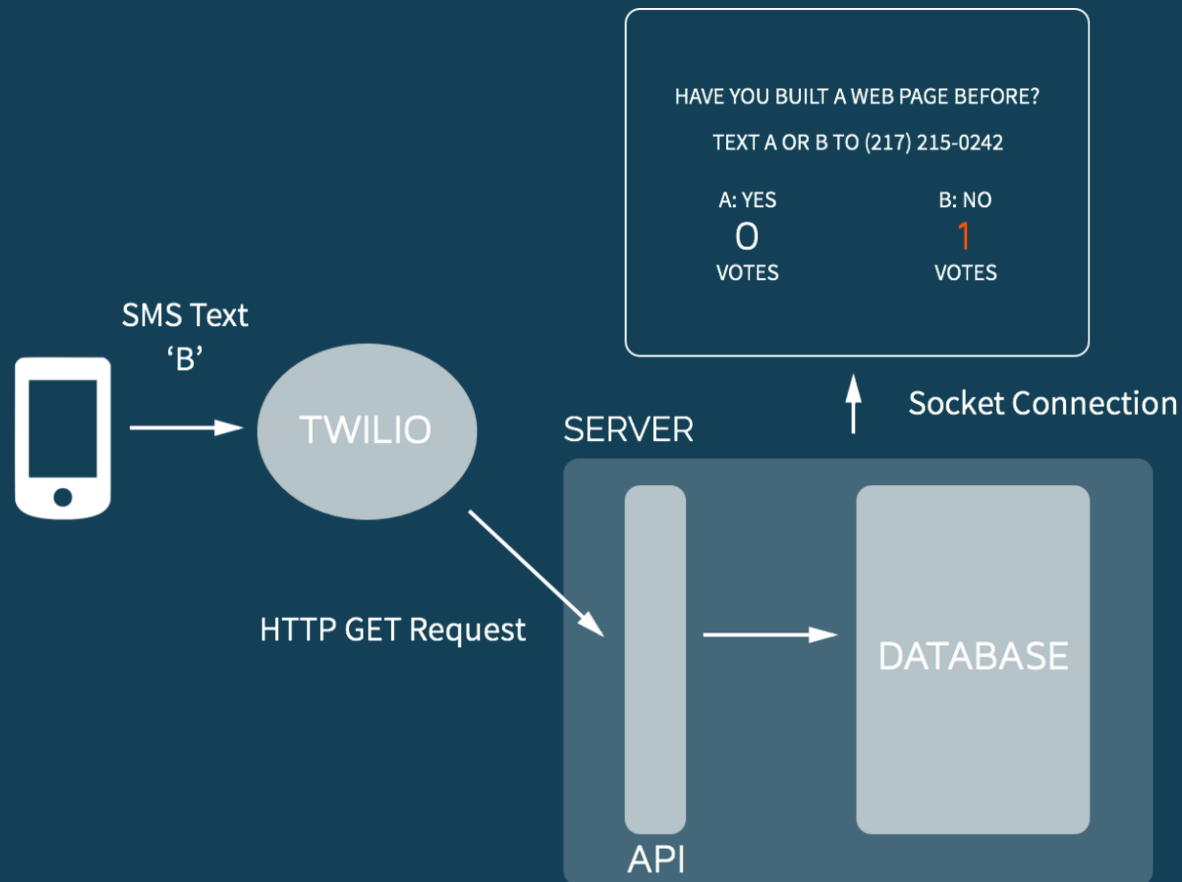
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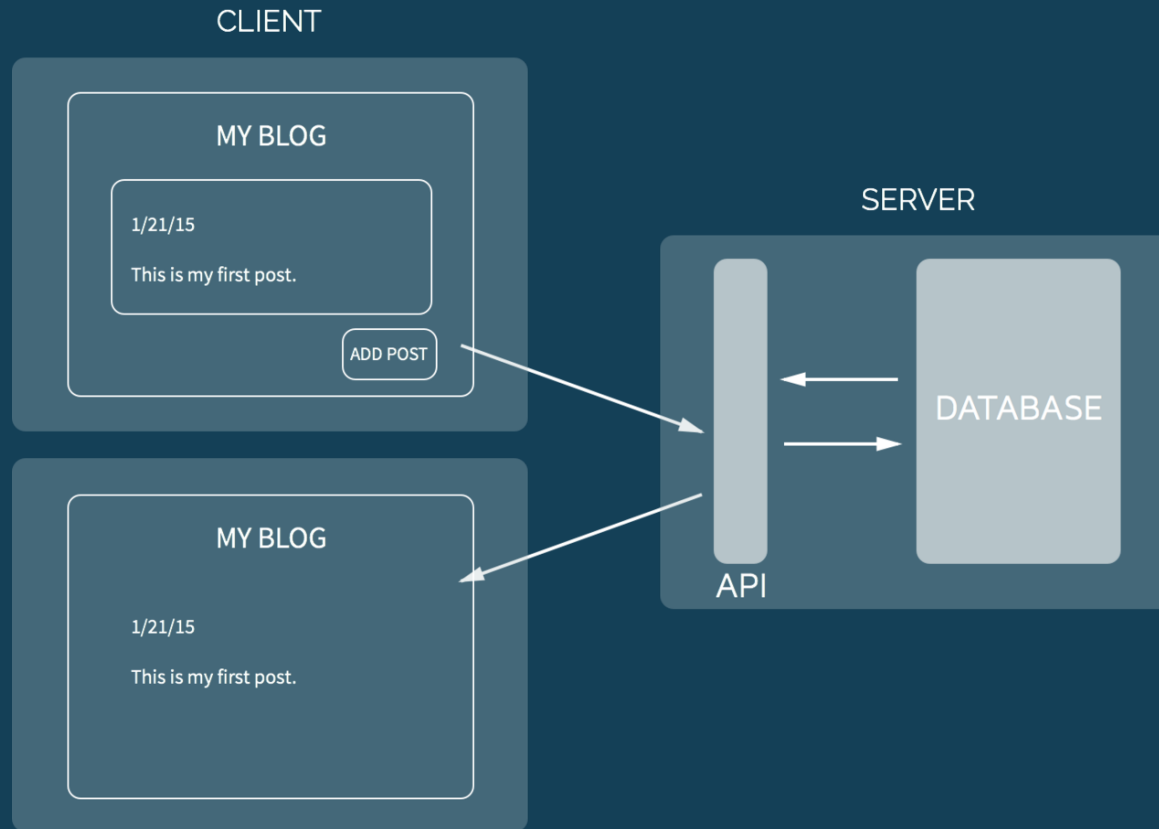
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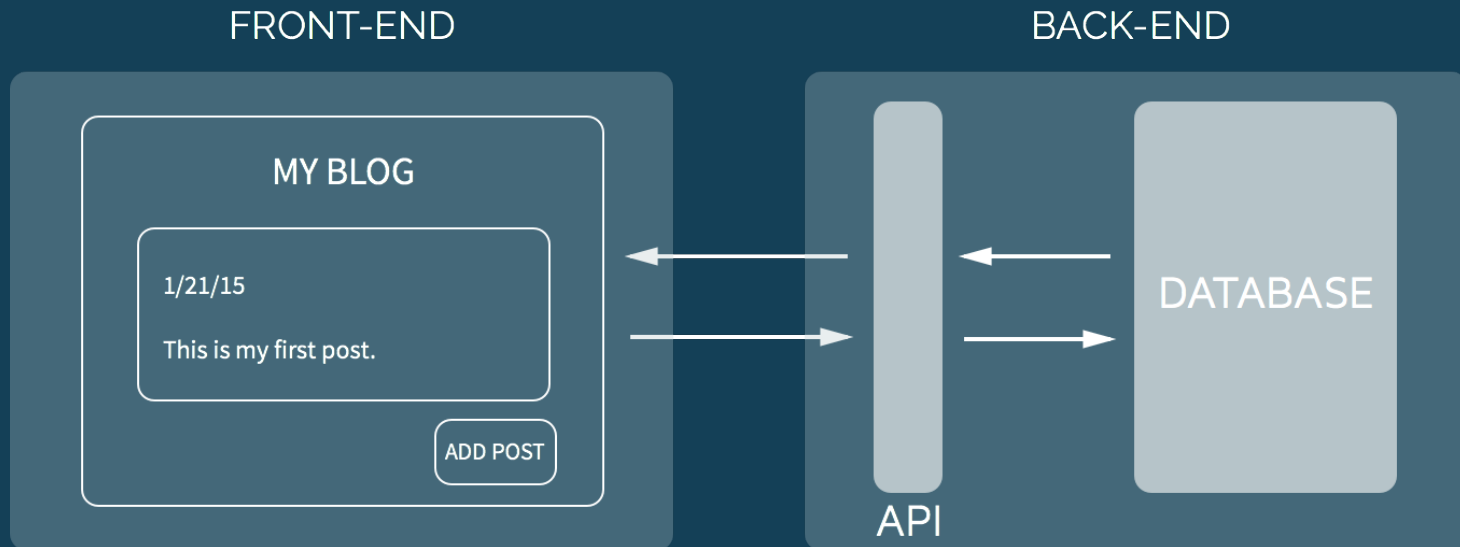
HOW DID THE DEMO WORK?



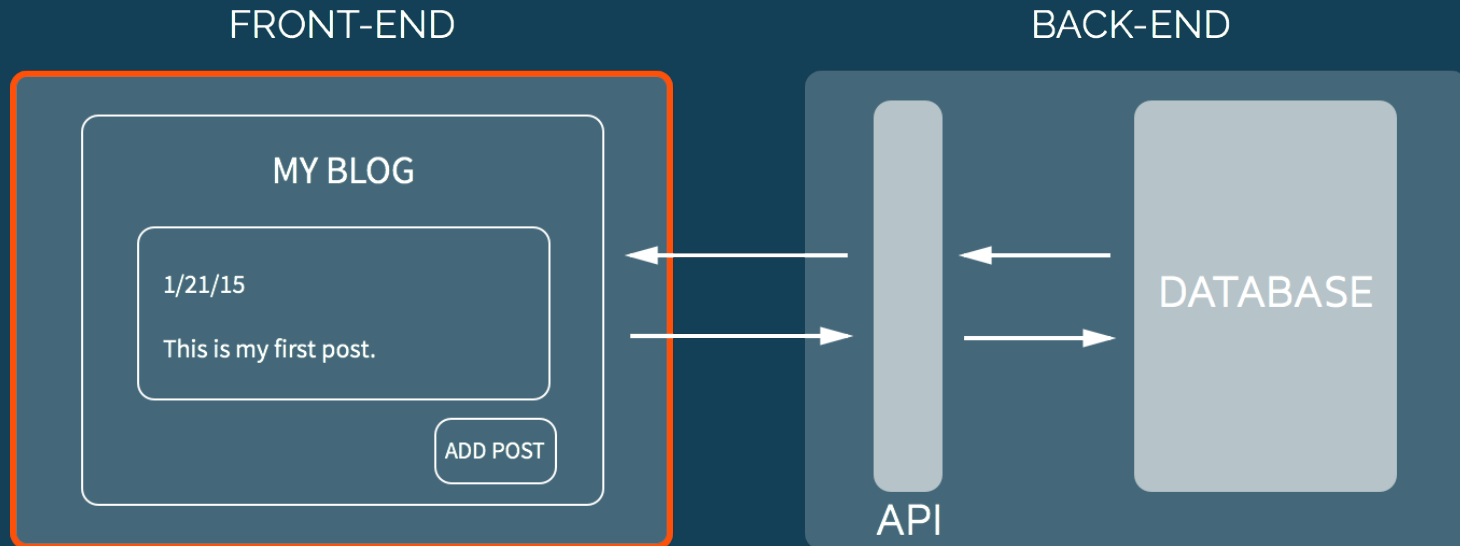
CLIENT-SERVER MODEL



COURSE OVERVIEW



FRONT-END



FRONT-END BASICS

HTML

Most web pages are written in HTML

Content is embedded in a set of nested HTML tags

Layout engine parses HTML into a Document Object Model

Web browsers use DOM to render pages

```
<html><head>
  <title>Photo Gallery</title>
  <link rel="stylesheet"
    href="gallery.css"
    type="text/css"/></head>
  <body>
    <div class="photo">
      <h3>My first photo</h3>
      
    </div>
    ...
  </body>
</html>
```

CSS

Language for specifying presentation

Selectors map styles to markup

Describe how to render

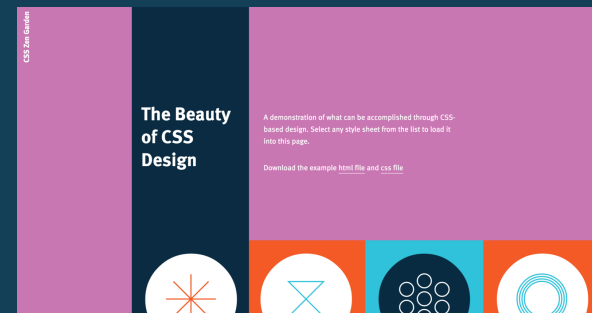
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HTML

```
@import url("base.css");
img {
  border:1px solid black;
}
.photo {
  width:300px;
}
.photo h3 {
  font-weight:bold;
}
...
```

CSS

Separation of content
from presentation



csszengarden.com

JAVASCRIPT

front-end interactions

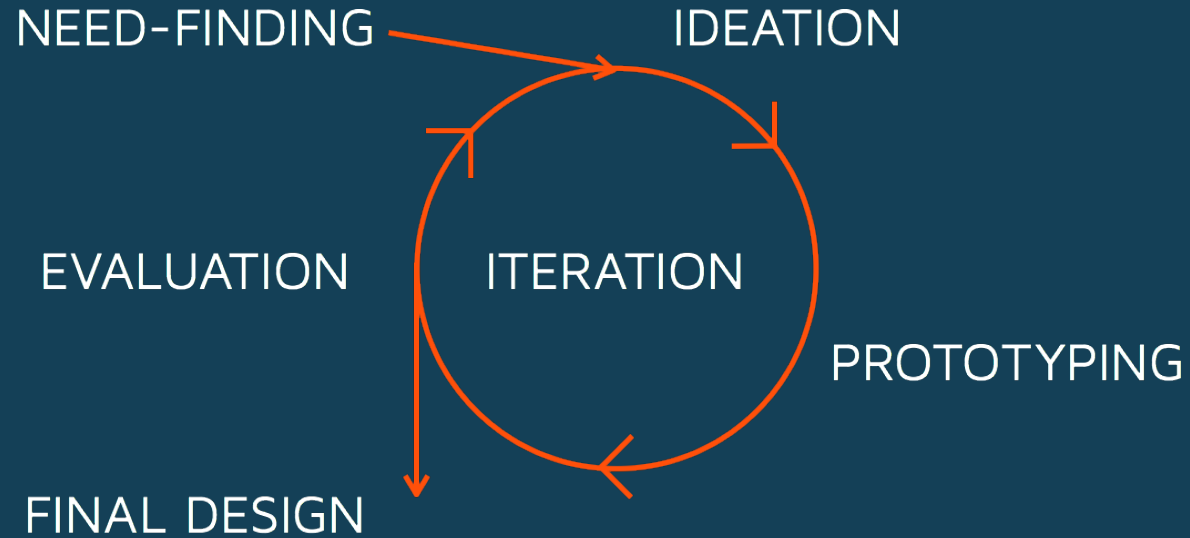
dynamic content

server-side programming (node.js)

object-oriented, imperative, functional

FRONT-END DESIGN

UI DESIGN



VISUAL DESIGN

Color
Typography
Grids



RESPONSIVE DESIGN

Designing for different form factors



DATA BINDING

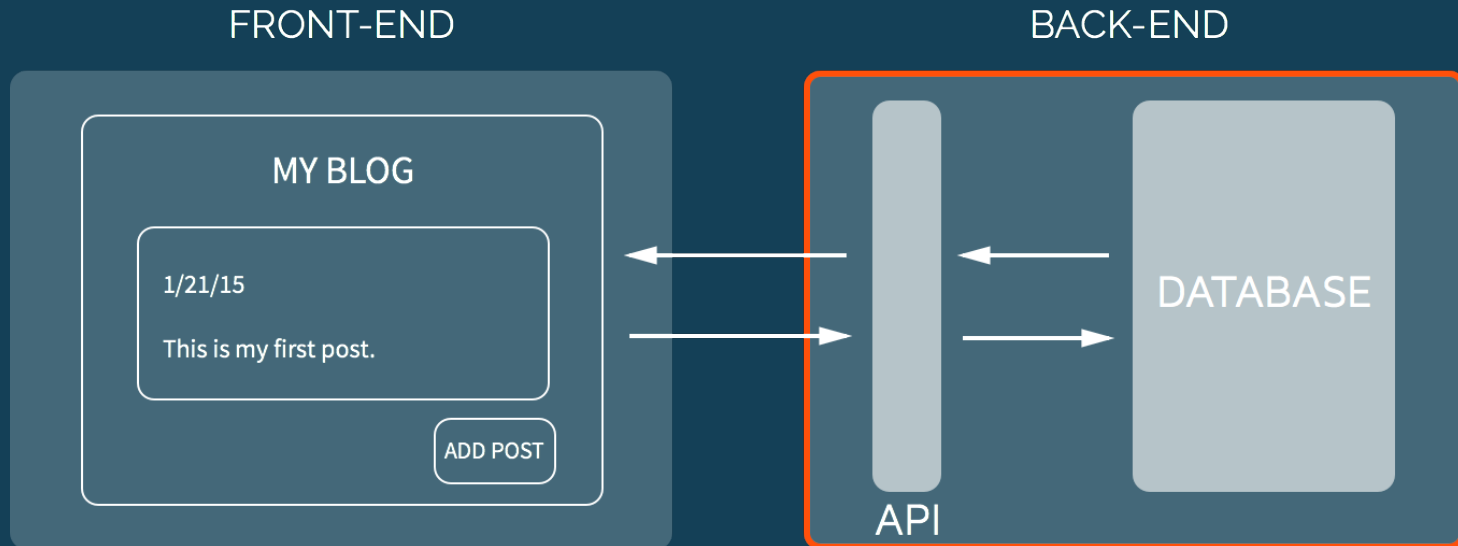
Model-View-Controller

HTTP: request-response protocol

AJAX: send and receive data
without reloading page

JSON: data exchange format

BACK-END



DATABASES

SQL (MySQL)

NoSQL (MongoDB)

Graph (Neo4j)

APIs AND SERVER LOGIC

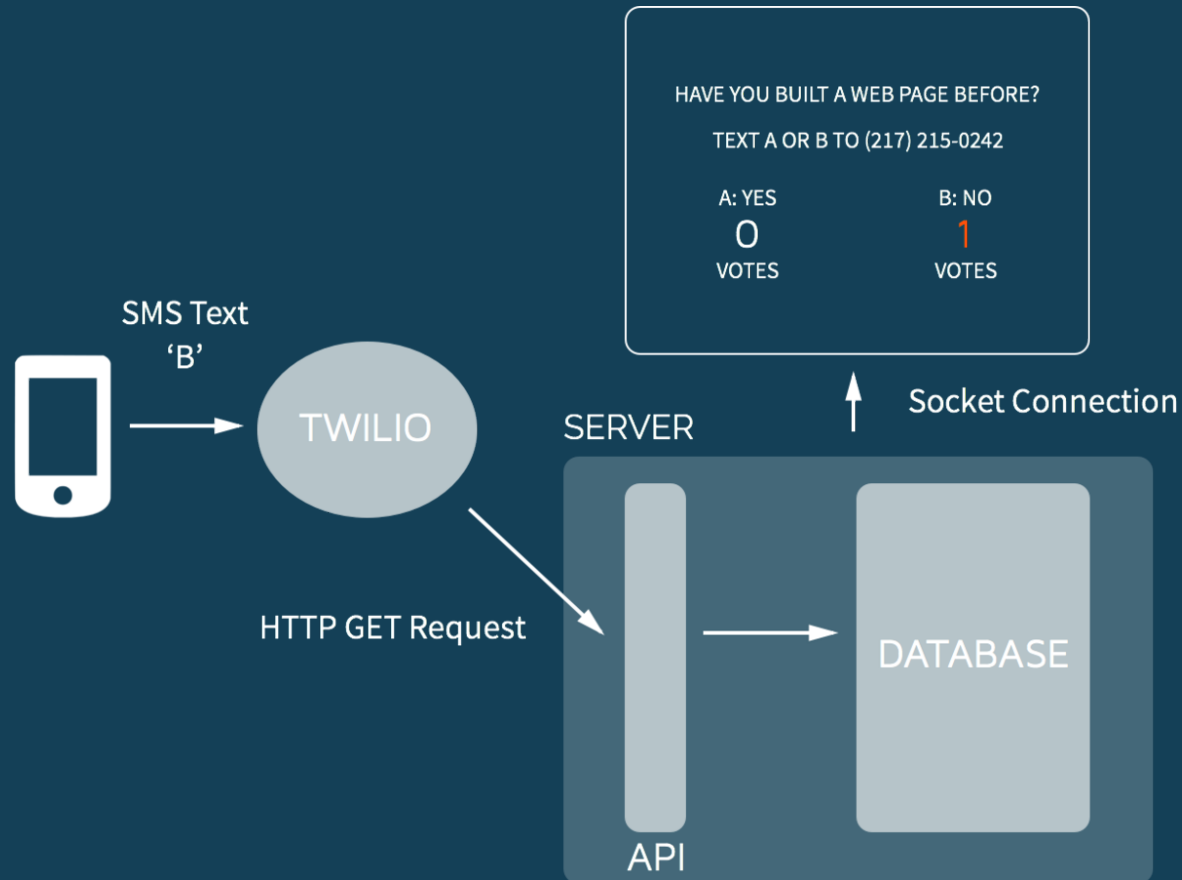
HTTP requests: GET, POST, DELETE

Designing a RESTful API

Node.js and Express

Web Sockets

PUTTING IT TOGETHER



WILL THIS COURSE BE OUTDATED NEXT YEAR?

Focus on concepts not just specific technologies
Understand how trends arose and have changed

~1989: Unix-based web browsers



~1995: First graphical Web browsers

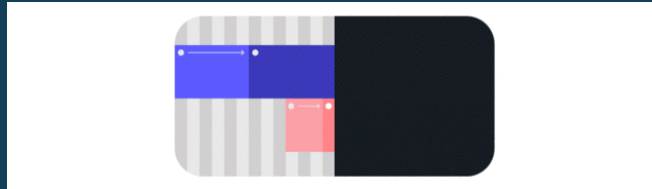


~1995: Javascript & Dynamic Content



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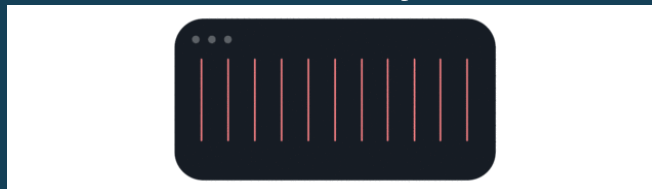
~1996: Flash animations



~1998: CSS came on the scene



~2007: Grid systems

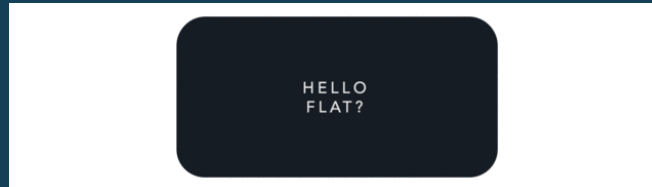


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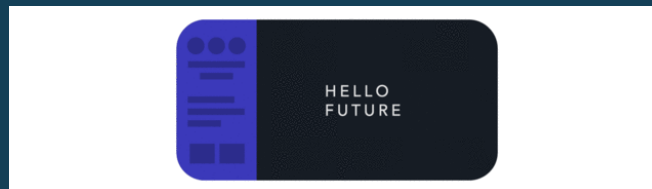
~2010: Responsive design



Last few years: Flat design



Future?



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MODERN WEB TECHNOLOGIES

CSS Preprocessors: LESS, SASS

JS Libraries: JQuery

Grid Frameworks: Twitter, Foundation, Susy

MEAN Stack: AngularJS, MongoDB, Node.js, Express

Mobile: PhoneGap, Parse, Firebase

DESIGN EMPHASIS

Final project is a simulation of industry

Need-finding: Problem? User?

Evaluation: Test both code and experience

Iteration: Functional prototype due 3 weeks
before final presentation

NEXT CLASS: HTML