First Steps w/ Node.js & React

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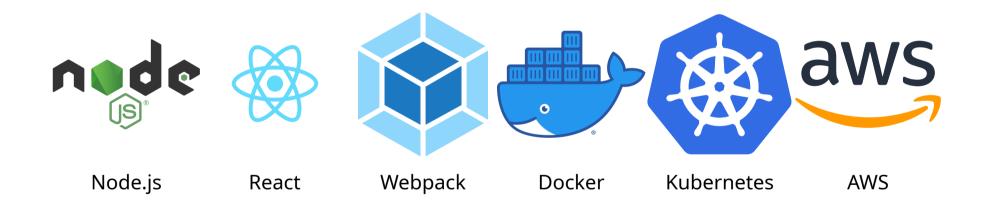
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Node.js

What is Node.js

Ryan Dahl, circa 2009

JavaScript outside the Browser.

- V8 Engine (Google)
- Event Loop (libuv)
- APIs (stream, os, fs, net, http, crypto, ...)

Asynchronous event-driven runtime with non-blocking I/O.

In the Beginning

- 1995: First version of JavaScript (Netscape)
- 1996: LiveWire, the first JS server-side runtime (Netspace)
- 1997: ECMAScript 1
- 1999: ECMAScript 2
- 2000: **Internet Explorer** dominates the Browser Wars
- 2006: jQuery

The plain, old, boring JavaScript...

Breaking free of the Browser

- 2008: Google Chrome and the V8 Engine
- 2009: **Node.js**
- 2009: ECMAScript 5

"use strict", json, getters/setters, array/object methods

- 2012: **Google Chrome** dominates the Browser Wars
- 2012-NOW: Express, Lodash, Webpack, React, Vue.js, Babel and thousand more packages are born...
- 2015: ECMAScript 6 (the big one)

let, const, arrow functions, default parameters, spread operator, destructuring assignment, modules, classes, promises, symbols, iterators, generators, more built-in methods and types, ...

- 2016-9: ECMAScript 7-10 await/async, exponentiation operator, spread operator for objects, promise finally, regex updates, more built-in methods, ...
- 2019: NPM hits 1 million packages

Hello World

```
setTimeout(function() {
    console.log('world');
}, 500);
console.log('hello');
```

- A single thread, asynchronous execution
- Callbacks are scheduled to run later (on the event loop)

Compare to Java

```
System.out.println("hello");
Thread.sleep(500);
System.out.println("world");
```

Node Modules (CommonJS)

```
// 'main.js'
const someModule = require('./some-module');
someModule.someFunction();

// 'some-module.js'
module.exports = {
    someFunction: function() { }
}
```

• Node.js uses this format from the beginning.

New Module (ES6)

```
// 'main.js'
import * as someModule from './some-module';
import { someFunction } from './some-module';
someModule.someFunction();
someFunction();

// 'some-module.js'
export function someFunction() { }
```

- This is the "new" standard for modules (ECMAScript 6).
- We will use this format on React and use Babel to convert.



Install Node.js (LTS 12.15.0)

https://nodejs.org/en/ https://nodejs.org/en/download/package-manager/

MacOS

Download the Installer or using Brew:

brew install node

Linux Debian (NodeSource Binaries):

Windows

Download the Installer or using Chocolatey:

choco install nodejs.install

Download the Files

git clone https://github.com/goncalomb/talk-intro-nodejs-react.git

If you don't have git installed. Just download the ZIP from:

https://github.com/goncalomb/talk-intro-nodejs-react

After this talk, go home and install git.



What is React

Originally created by Facebook

- Library for User Interfaces
- Declarative
- Reusable Components

React Elements

```
const el = document.createElement('a');
el.setAttribute('href', 'https://www.google.com/');
el.style.fontSize = '2em';
el.innerText = 'Google';
document.body.appendChild(el);
```

```
const el = React.createElement('a', {
    href: 'https://www.google.com/',
    style: {
        fontSize: '2em'
    }
}, 'Google');
ReactDOM.render(el, document.body);
```

Demo

JSX

```
const el = React.createElement('a', {
    href: 'https://www.google.com/',
    style: {
        fontSize: '2em'
    }
}, 'Google');
```

Components

Demo

Let's Play

cd message-board
npm install
npm start

See the 'TODOS.md' file.

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Questions?

- These slides are made with React?
- Can React run on the Server?
- Do you know about the P3 CPU?

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