

MIDDLEWARES

ASYNCHRONOUS SERVER TECHNOLOGIES

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RECAP

Developper tools: terminal, editor, github, stack overflow,

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- Best-practices on a NodeJS project:
 - scripts: automate your commands
 - npm: external libraries
 - modules: split your code intelligently
 - unit testing: check that your code does what it's supposed to
 - transpilers: write cleaner code, faster





LAST CLASS

- Tools: Nodemon & Postman
- Framework: ExpressJS
- Database: LevelDB





YOUR PROJECT

Project on Github, written in coffee & using express

```
myproject/
l-- .gitignore
l-- .travis.yml
l-- package.json
l-- authors.txt
l-- readme.md
l-- db/    -> levelDB files, DO NOT ADD TO GIT
l-- bin/    -> scripts
l-- src/    -> coffee code
l-- lib/    -> compiled js from coffee, DO NOT ADD TO GIT
l-- public/ -> static files (css/js/imges)
l-- views/    -> jade views
+-- test/    -> unit tests
```





FINAL PROJECT

- Based on code from class
- Simple dashboard app:
 - User login
 - A user can insert metrics
 - A user can retrieve his metrics in a graph
 - A user can only access his own metrics





QUESTIONS?





MIDDLEWARE





WHAT IS IT?

- Very vague term, multiple definition
- In our case:

"Middleware are functions that handle requests"





EXAMPLE

```
express = require 'express'
app = express()

myMiddleware = (req, res, next) ->
    console.log "#{req.method} on #{req.url}"
    next()

app.use myMiddleware

app.get '/', (req, res) ->
    res.status(200).send "Hello world !"

app.listen 1337, -> console.log 'listening on port 1337'
```





2ND EXAMPLE

Install morgan middleware with npm

```
express = require 'express'
morgan = require 'morgan'
app = express()

app.use morgan 'dev'

app.get '/', (req, res) ->
   res.status(200).send "Welcome to the api"

app.get '/hello/:name', (req, res) ->
   res.status(200).send "Hello #{req.params.name}"

app.listen 1337, -> console.log 'listening on port 1337'
```





HOW TO USE IT

Global middleware

```
app.use middleware
```

Route specific middleware

```
app.get '/myroute', middleware, (req, res) ->
  # route logic
```

Router specific middleware

```
router = express.Router()

router.use middleware
router.get '/myroute', (req, res) ->
    # route logic
app.use router
```





WHAT CAN WE USE IT FOR?

- Anything!
- Content validation / parsing
- Data completion
- User authentication / authorization
- Logging
- ...





SOME MIDDLEWARES

- body-parser
- errorhandler
- cookie-parser
- morgan
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Exhaustive list, use the ones you find useful!





LET'S SETUP AUTHENTICATION

- We'll need:
 - User CRUD (Create Read Update Delete)
 - DB persistance
 - User sessions
 - User auth
 - Authorization middleware
 - Login pages
- We could also use PassportJS





USER CRUD

We need a user module!

```
module.exports =
  get: (username, callback) ->
    # TODO: get a user by username

save: (username, password, name, email, callback) ->
    # TODO: get a user by username

remove: (username, callback) ->
    # TODO: delete a user by username

# We won't do update
```





DB PERSISTANCE

get

```
db = require('./db') "#{__dirname}/../db/user"

module.exports =
   get: (username, callback) ->
        user = {}
        rs = db.createReadStream
        gte: "user:#{username}"
        rs.on 'data', (data) ->
            # parsing logic
        rs.on 'error', callback
        rs.on 'close', ->
            callback null, user
```

Do the save and remove yourself





USER SESSIONS

- Install level-session-store middleware with npm
- Install express-session middleware with npm
- In our app.coffee:

```
session = require 'express-session'
LevelStore = require('level-session-store')(session)

app.use session
   secret: 'MyAppSecret'
   store: new LevelStore './db/sessions'
   resave: true
   saveUninitialized: true
```





USER AUTHENTICATION

In our app.coffee

```
app.get '/login', (req, res) ->
  res.render 'login'
app.post 'login', (req, res) ->
  user.get req.body.username, (err, data) ->
    return next err if err
    unless # user login validation
      res.redirect '/login'
    else
      req.session.loggedIn = true
      req.session.username = data.username
      res.redirect '/'
app.get '/logout', (req, res) ->
  delete req.session.loggedIn
  delete req.session.username
```





USER AUTHORIZATION MIDDLEWARE

In our app.coffee

```
authCheck = (req, res, next) ->
  unless req.session.loggedIn == true
    res.redirect '/login'
  else
    next()

app.get '/', authCheck, (req, res) ->
  res.render 'index', name: req.session.username
```





LOGIN PAGE LAYOUT

In a views/login.jade

```
block content
  #form
    p Please login to your account
    hr
    form#login(action='/login', method="post")
      .form-group
        label Username
        input(type='text', name="username")
      .form-group
        label Password
        input(type='password', name="password")
      button#login_submit.btn.btn-primary.btn-block(type='submit')
        i.icon-ok.icon-white
           Connect
                htn_success htn_hlock(tyne_'hutton' href-'/sianun
```





INDEX PAGE LAYOUT

In your index.jade:

button.btn.btn-danger(href='/logout' onClick='document.location.href:





YOUR TURN

- Do the save and remove functions for a user
- Do the /signup routes and form





QUESTIONS?





YOUR WORK

- Fully implement user authentication
- Using the metrics module implemented for this week:
 - Create a user-metric relation module
 - Write the CRUD functions for this module
 - Bind them to the corresponding routes
 - Implement the mechanisms for a user to add metrics and retrieve them (only it's own!)
- On the front-end:
 - Display data accordingly on the connected user
 - Allow a user to display each of his metrics group