

4.1 Introduction to Node.js

Node.js is an open-source and cross-platform runtime environment that allows you to use JavaScript to develop server-side applications.

Node.js uses the single-threaded, non-blocking, and event-driven execution model, which is similar to the execution model of JavaScript in the web browser.

- Node.js is Single-threaded
- Node.js uses Non-blocking I/O
- Node.js is event-driven



4.2 Introduction to Node.js

Architecture could be as the following:

- Java -> Node JS -> React / Angular / another front-end framework / library
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4.2 Express JS

- Express is a minimal and flexible Node.js web application framework that provides a robust set of features for web and mobile applications.
- Use the application generator tool, express-generator, to quickly create an application skeleton.
- npx express-generator
- express-generator --view=ejs



4.2.1 Express JS

Let's add real backend APIs to our Todo APP via Express JS / Node JS



4.3 Introduction to MongoDB

MongoDB is a source-available cross-platform document-oriented database program. Classified as a NoSQL database program, MongoDB uses JSON-like documents with optional schemas.

Advantage of NoSQL Database

- Handle large volumes of data at high speed with a scale-out architecture
- Store unstructured, semi-structured, or structured data
- Enable easy updates to schemas and fields
- Be developer-friendly



4.3.1 MongoDB VS Mongoose

In terms of Node.js, mongodb is the native driver for interacting with a mongodb instance and mongoose is an Object modeling tool for MongoDB.

mongoose is built on top of the mongodb driver to provide programmers with a way to model their data.

Mongoose: object data modeling (ODM) library that provides a rigorous modeling environment for your data. Used to interact with MongoDB, it makes life easier by providing convenience in managing data.

Mongodb: native driver in Node.js to interact with MongoDB.



4.3.2 Mongoose

Let's integrate mongoDB into our Todo App



4.3.3 Summary

- 1. All the string, array, and object built-in method eg: forEach, filter, slice, indexOf, map,reduce...
- 2. Closure
- 3. Event Loop
- 4. Async programming
- 5. DOM manipulation (Event bubbling and Event capture)
- 6. This keyword
- 1. React component life cycle(concept)
- 2. React Hooks (code challenge)
- 3. How to communication with backend (code challenge)
- 4. Redux/thunk(concept)
- 5. Practice implementing some Apps, Todos, search bar, calendar (within 40 minutes