On May 7th, 2015, South Bay Selenium Meetup gathered at the PayPal campus for a short presentation titled *NemoJS: The Natural Node.js Automation Solution*. The speaker was Matt Edelman, who has been a UI engineer since 1997. Edelman now works on the krakenjs open source team at PayPal, and has written automation tools in a variety of languages, the most recent being NemoJS in Javascript. Edelman made a video recording of his presentation available on the South Bay Selenium Meetup page, at the following URL: <https://vimeo.com/127639416>.

After starting out with a self-introduction, Edelman talked about the existing test automation tools that were used at PayPal, such as SeLion, which enables test automation in the Java language, and the features that testers really appreciated. PayPal had been transitioning its developers from Java to Javascript for its web framework. However the testers were still using the Java framework with SeLion. This was the impetus for trying to build a comparable tool for Node.js. Edelman then gave a quick overview of Node.js and its features, followed by an overview of Selenium and its bindings. The final result was NemoJS, an automation framework for Node.js that wraps around Selenium Webdriver. Edelman explained the details of NemoJS, its configurations, features, plugins, and how it was named. He then went into a specific plugin, Nemo-view, which is the one most often used by the testing team, and how it provides generic methods to quickly start testing. Afterwards, he fielded questions from the audience. He ended with mentioning that he was currently developing a UI demo for NemoJS.

I had no experience with any form of Javascript, let alone Node.js, so I was a little lost during some of the more in-depth explanations. In terms of speaking style, by no means was Edelman an impressive orator, but he managed to communicate his enthusiasm for the subject in spite of this. I thought it was very clever that, prior to explaining NemoJS, Edelman ran a goofy audience participation exercise to wake people up and get them a little more invested in the important part of the presentation. Overall, it was eye-opening to see the concerns and needs of people working in the industry and the niche tools developed for them.