

Express.js, continued

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- Postgres: Stores your info
- db.js: Talks to Postgres
- Models (Todo.js, User.js): Translates objects into SQL, and SQL into objects
- index.js: Translates Requests into objects, and objects into Responses
- Views (page.js, userList): Translates objects into HTML strings (which get sent as part of the responses).
- Browser: Translates HTML into "web pages" (a.k.a. stuff the user can see and click)

How do I serve .css (or .js or .jpg or .png...) files from Express?

Use the `express.static` function, telling it what directory our static files are in

```
app.use(express.static('public'));
```

We refer to any of those file in our views:

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="/stylesheets/index.css">
```

Where do I put "front-end" files?

In the `public` directory!