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# WHAT IS DUST.JS?

# Dustjs

- Templating system for Node.js and the browser
- Extended Mustache-style syntax
- · Compile-to-JavaScript for speed and portability
- Streaming rendering

### LINKEDIN FORK OF DUST.JS

http://linkedin.github.io/dustjs/

\$ npm install dustjs-linkedin

### LET'S SEE WHAT DUST CAN DO

### **01\_duster.js** — a command-line Dust.js compiler

```
if (process.argv.length === 2)
 return console.log('Usage: node 01 duster.js <template.dust> [data.jso
var dust = require('dustjs-linkedin'),
   fs = require('fs'),
    path = require('path'),
   tmpl = fs.readFileSync(process.argv[2], 'utf8'),
   data = process.argv.length > 3 ?
          require(path.resolve(process.argv[3])) : {},
dust.loadSource(compiled);
console.log('Compiled JavaScript:\n\n', compiled);
console.log('Rendered template:\n');
dust.render('cmdline', data, function (err, out) {
 if (err) throw err;
 console.log(out);
```

### FIRST DUST TEMPLATE

02\_example1.dust

```
{#names}
 <a href="{url}">{name}</a>{~n}
{/names}
                       03_example1.json
  "names": [
    { "name": "libuv", "url": "https://github.com/joyent/libuv" },
    { "name": "V8", "url": "http://code.google.com/p/v8/" },
    { "name": "OpenSSL", "url": "http://www.openssl.org/" },
     "name": "zlib", "url": "http://www.zlib.net/" },
    { "name": "c-ares", "url": "http://c-ares.haxx.se/" },
    ( "name": "http parser", "url": "https://qithub.com/joyent/http-pars
$ node 01 duster.js 02 example1.dust 03 example1.json
<hl>Node.js Core Dependencies</hl><a href="https://github.com/jo
<a href="http://code.google.com/p/v8/">V8</a>
<a href="http://www.openssl.org/">OpenSSL</a>
<a href="http://www.zlib.net/">zlib</a>
<a href="http://c-ares.haxx.se/">c-ares</a>
<a href="https://github.com/joyent/http-parser">http parser</a>
```

# **DUST BASICS**

- "keys": {title} look up variables in the context data
- "sections": {#names} ... {/names} can be used for iteration, or scope capturing
- "partials": {> "header" /} include one template in another
- "comments": {! comments !} not rendered
   "helpers": {@idx} for more complex logic and custom plugins

# **KEYS**

- {name} looks up the property "name" in the current context
- Context is the root passed in to the renderer but is changed when entering "sections"
- Keyed property has no value? No output
- Output values are escaped by default to prevent XSS

### 02\_example1.dust

```
<hl>{hitle}</hl>

{#names}
<ar-dit = "{url}">{name}</a>{-n}
{/names}
```

# **KEYS AND FILTERS**

- Filters can be applied:
  - {name | s} suppresses auto-escaping
  - {name | h} force HTML escaping
  - {name | j} force JavaScript escaping
  - {name | u} encodes with JS native encodeURI
  - {name | uc} encodes with JS native encodeURIComponent
  - {name|js} stringify JSON literal
  - {name | jp} parse JSON string to object
  - Filters can be chained: {name | s | h}
- Dust agressively removes unnecessary white-space but special characters can be inserted:
  - $^n$  newline,  $^n$  CR,  $^n$  left bracket,  $^n$  right bracket,  $^n$  space

### **SECTIONS**

### 04 friends.dust

```
-n} {#friends}<(i)<(#($idx) of {$len}) {name}, {country}</li>{:else}You have no friends!</friends}</li>
```

- Can be used to iterate over arrays
- Inside the section, the context is set to the current item of the array
  - e.g. {#friends} {name} {/friends} will display the "name" property for each element of the "friends" array
- If a key inside a section doesn't reference data on that item, it will look in the parent context
- {:else} block will be printed if there are no elements
- {\$idx} is the current index (zero-based), {\$len} is the number of total elements

```
$ node 06_duster2.js 04_friends.dust 05_friends.json
```

- Templates are registered with Dust by name and can be referenced within other templates to include their contents
- References to partials can be parameterized with contextual data

### **06\_duster2.js** — modified to process multiple dust templates

```
if (process.argv.length < 4)
 return console.log(
var dust = require('dustjs-linkedin'),
   path = require('path'),
   data = require(path.resolve(process.argv.pop())),
   tmplNames = process.argv.slice(2),
mainId = tmplNames.map(function (t) {
 var id = t.replace(/\..+$/, '');
 var contents = fs.readFileSync(t, 'utf8');
 var compiled = dust.compile(contents, id);
 dust.loadSource(compiled);
 return id;
dust.render(mainId, data, function (err, out) {
 if (err) throw err;
 console.log(out);
```

### 07\_example2.dust

```
I am {name} and I live in
{-s}
{> "08_display_address" address=homeAddress./}

08_display_address.dust

<address>{address.city}, {address.state}</address>

09_example2.json

{
    "name": "Phineas Gage",
    "homeAddress": {
        "city": "Cavendish",
        "state": "Vermont"
    }
}
$ node 06_duster2.js 07_example2.dust 08_display_address.dust 09_example2.dust 08_display_address.dust 08_display_address.dust 09_example2.dust 08_display_address.dust 09_example2.dust 08_display_address.dust 08_display_address.dust 09_example2.dust 08_display_address.dust 09_example2.dust 08_display_address.dust 08_display_address.dust 08_display_address.
```

I am Phineas Gage and I live in <address>Cavendish, Vermont</address>

# Block substitution in partials 10\_header.dust

### LOGIC

### Sections can be used to test existential logic (not just lists!)

### 14\_logic.dust

### 15\_logic.json

```
{
  "name": "Roger",
  "possessions": {
    "oar": "red",
    "bicycle": "silver"
  }
}
$ node 06_duster2.js 14_logic.dust 15_logic.json

My name is Roger and I:

  >ouh
  own a red car 
  own a silver bicycle
```

# LOGIC

- Dust "true" and "false" are different to "truthy" and "falsey" in JavaScript:
  - "true": 0, "0", "null", "undefined", "false", {} (empty object)
  - "false": "", " ", false, null, undefined, [] (empty array)

# LOGIC

- {?name} body {/name} will check if "name" evaluates to "true", not just exists
- just exists
   {^name} body {/name} will check if "name" evaluates to "false"

# HELPERS

### Standard helpers are shipped in a separate package:

\$ npm install dustjs-helpers

Load them into the Dust runtime:

var dust = require('dustjs-linkedin');

require('dust]s-helpers');

# **HELPERS**

### Use {@select} like a switch / case statement

# **HELPERS**

### {@math}

### {@sep} to prevent dangling-commas:

```
{#friends}
{name}{@sep},{/sep}
{/friends}
```

# **DUST.JS AND ADARO**



- Dust view renderer for Express
- Layout support
- Helpers support
- Cache control
- Custom pipeline

# **ADARO LAYOUTS**

```
// Use alternate layout
dust.render('index', { layout: 'myLayout' }, ...);
// Disable layout altogether
dust.render('index', { layout: false }, ...);
```

# HOW ADARO LAYOUTS WORK IN KRAKEN.JS

Layout uses dynamic {\_main} property to look up the current content "partial"

Content page (view) is just a partial with no knowledge of the layout

<hl>Hello World!</hl>

# **USING MAKARA**



i18n on top of Adaro

# MAKARA: DUST LOCALIZATION HELPERS

**Pre-processed tags** replaced with localized values prior to full Dust rendering

{@pre type="content" key="index.title" /}

### **Properties files**

index.title=PayPal Merchant
index.greeting=Welcome {userName}

### **MAKARA PROPERTIES FILES**

### US/en/index.properties - localized properties

```
index.title=PayPal Merchant
index.greeting=Welcome {userName}
index.ccList[0]=Visa
index.ccList[1]=Mastercard
index.states[AL]=Alabama
index.states[AK]=Alaska
index.states[AZ]=Arizona
```

### AU/en/index.properties - localized properties

```
index.title=PavPal Australia Merchant
index.greeting=Welcome {userName}
index.states[NSW]=New South Wales
index.states[VIC]=Victoria
index.states[SA]=South Australia
index.states[QLD]=Queensland
```

### 16 makara.js — using Makara directly

```
var i18n = require('makara'),
function printIndex (locale, callback) {
  provider.getBundle('index', locale, function (err, bundle) {
   if (err) return callback(err);
    'title greeting ccList states'.split(' ').forEach(function (key) {
     console.log(locale, key, '=', bundle.get('index.' + key));
   callback();
var locales = 'en US en AU'.split(' '); // what happens if we add more?
(function next () {
   if (err) throw err;
$ npm install makara
$ node 16 makara.js
```

### **USING MAKARA WITH EXPRESS**

### 17\_makara\_express.js

```
var express = require('express'),
   il8n = require('makara'),
   dustjs = require('adaro');
var app = express();
app.set('views', 'templates/');
app.set('view engine', 'dust');
app.get('/', function (req, res) {
 res.render('index', { userName: 'dshaw' });
 fallback: 'en US'
 console.log('Listening on http://localhost:3000/');
$ npm install express adaro
$ node .
```

- **FINDATAG**
- Used as a pre-processor in Makara to expand localized strings
   Streaming string tokenizer for recognizing Dust tags: {@tag ... /}

# **USING FINDATAG DIRECTLY**

### 18\_findatag.js

```
var finder = require('findatag'),
    fs = require('fs');
/// Entity handler
var finderStream = finder.createParseStream(entityHandler);
fs.createReadStream('tags_in_a_haystack.dust').pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStream).pipe(finderStr
```

### **USING FINDATAG DIRECTLY**

### 18\_findatag.js

```
var entityHandler = {
  tagHandlers: {
     'needle': {
        exec: function (def, callback) {
          callback(null, '\nneedle: ' + JSON.stringify(def, null, 2) + '
       exec: function (def, callback) {
          callback(null, '\nsquid: ' + JSON.stringify(def, null, 2) + '\
 get tags () { // list of tags we want to know about
   return Object.keys(this.tagHandlers);
 onTag: function (def, callback) { // when a tag is found in a stream
   this.tagHandlers[def.name].exec(def, callback);
 onText: function (chunk, callback) { // when everything else is found
    callback(null, ''); // return an empty string, no output here
```

# **USING FINDATAG DIRECTLY**

- \$ npm install findatag
- \$ node 18\_findatag.js

# **SUMMARY**

- Dust.js is a flexible and fast templating engine Docs: http://linkedin.github.io/dustjs/
- Adaro connects Dust views and layout functionality to Express
- Makara is a Dust helper for i18n • Makara uses findatag to parse templates