Modern Web Development 2018





Course summary

Backend

- Node and HTTP APIs with Express
- MongoDb, NoSQL and mongoose

Frontend

- HTML, CSS, responsive websites (using Bootstrap)
- SPA's with Vue.js

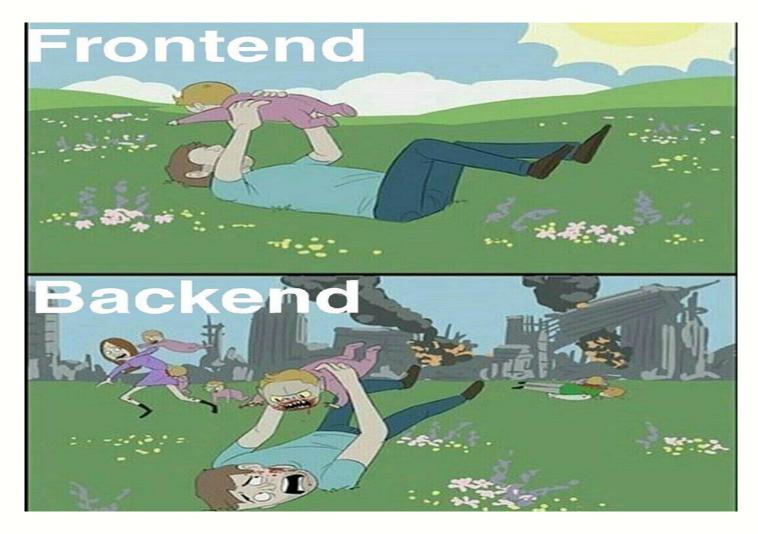






Frontend and backend = fullstack







Node and HTTP APIs with Express



Summary

- What is HTTP?
- What is node.js?
- What is an api?
- How to use callbacks/clojures



Internet





Http

Protocol over TCP that is the basis of data communication on the internet.

It uses URLs for identification of resources.

Ex: https://www.advancedinstaller.com/index.html

It exposes HTTP verbs for actions.

Most common verbs: GET, POST, DELETE



GET

With the HTTP GET request the server will respond back with some resource: an html file, a json etc.

A GET request can have query params:

https://www.example.com/resource?param1=someValue

The server can respond accordingly.



Query params

Query params are used for resource identification

https://www.example.com/news?country=Romania&page=2

The query params string is limited(size depends on the server) and is visible to everyone that can see the request (ISP, proxies)



Post

Used for sending data (pictures, comments, username and passwords etc.)

The body length has a bigger limit (it depends on the server).

If you use HTTPS the request is encrypted.



DELETE

Used for deleting a resource.

DELETE: https://www.example.com/article/comment?author=John







Node.js

Node.js® is a JavaScript runtime built on Chrome's V8 JavaScript engine. Node.js uses an event-driven, non-blocking I/O model that makes it lightweight and efficient. Node.js' package ecosystem, npm, is the largest ecosystem of open source libraries in the world.

Source: nodejs.org

Read: Efficient servers written in JS



Node is *not* ready for production!

Used in production by:

- Netflix
- LinkedIn
- NASA
- Caphyon and others

Source:

http://www.tothenew.com/blog/how-are-10-global-companies-using-node-js-in-production/



JavaScript

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$ 00
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   🔒 🧿 🔤 Good night, 🔄 name 🔞
 😝 🔞 - Howdy, 🔼 name 🕙
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                                   Activate Windows
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Java and JavaScript

Java is to JavaScript as Ham is to HamSter









JavaScript key features

- JavaScript is a lightweight, dynamic, interpreted, prototype based programming language
- It is multi-paradigm (supports): object-oriented, imperative and declarative programming styles
- A language that runs on every browser(desktop and mobile) and on server (with Node).

Source: https://developer.mozilla.org/bm/docs/Web/JavaScript



DEMO 1

\$ node

>console.log("Hello World Node!")



NPM

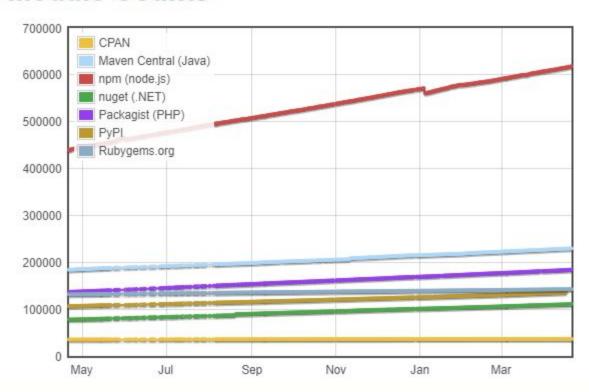
Npm is a tool to manage node packages.

Mostly written in JS (or compiled to from TS, Coffee Script or others)

More than 600k of libraries that can be reused so that you can focus on your product/idea



Module Counts







Demo 2

Let's init a project in your work folder:

\$ npm init

Let's install a package:

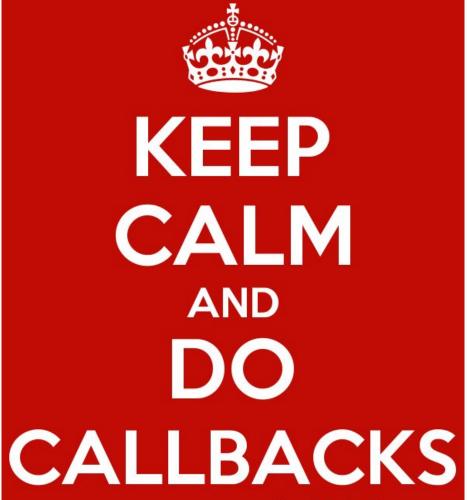
\$ npm install --save express



Callbacks

A callback is a function that is to be executed after another function has finished request('https://www.advancedinstaller.com/products.json', (err, res, body) => {
 // do something with the json
})







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Additional resources

- Javascript Guide:
 https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Guide/Introductio
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- Node documentation: https://nodejs.org/en/docs/
- Node tutorials: https://www.tutorialspoint.com/nodejs/index.htm

