



introduction to profiling Node.js applications

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<http://pmuellr.github.io/slides/2015/12-profiling-node-intro>

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<http://pmuellr.github.io/slides/> (all of Patrick's slides)

what kind of profiling?

- **performance** with V8's CPU profiler
- **memory** with V8's heap snapshots

profiling performance

what does V8's CPU profiler do?

- turn profiler on / off
- when on, at regular intervals, V8 will capture current stack trace, with time stamp, and source file / line numbers
- when turned off, profiler will aggregate the information, and produce a JSON data structure for analysis tools

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time-line showing stack traces

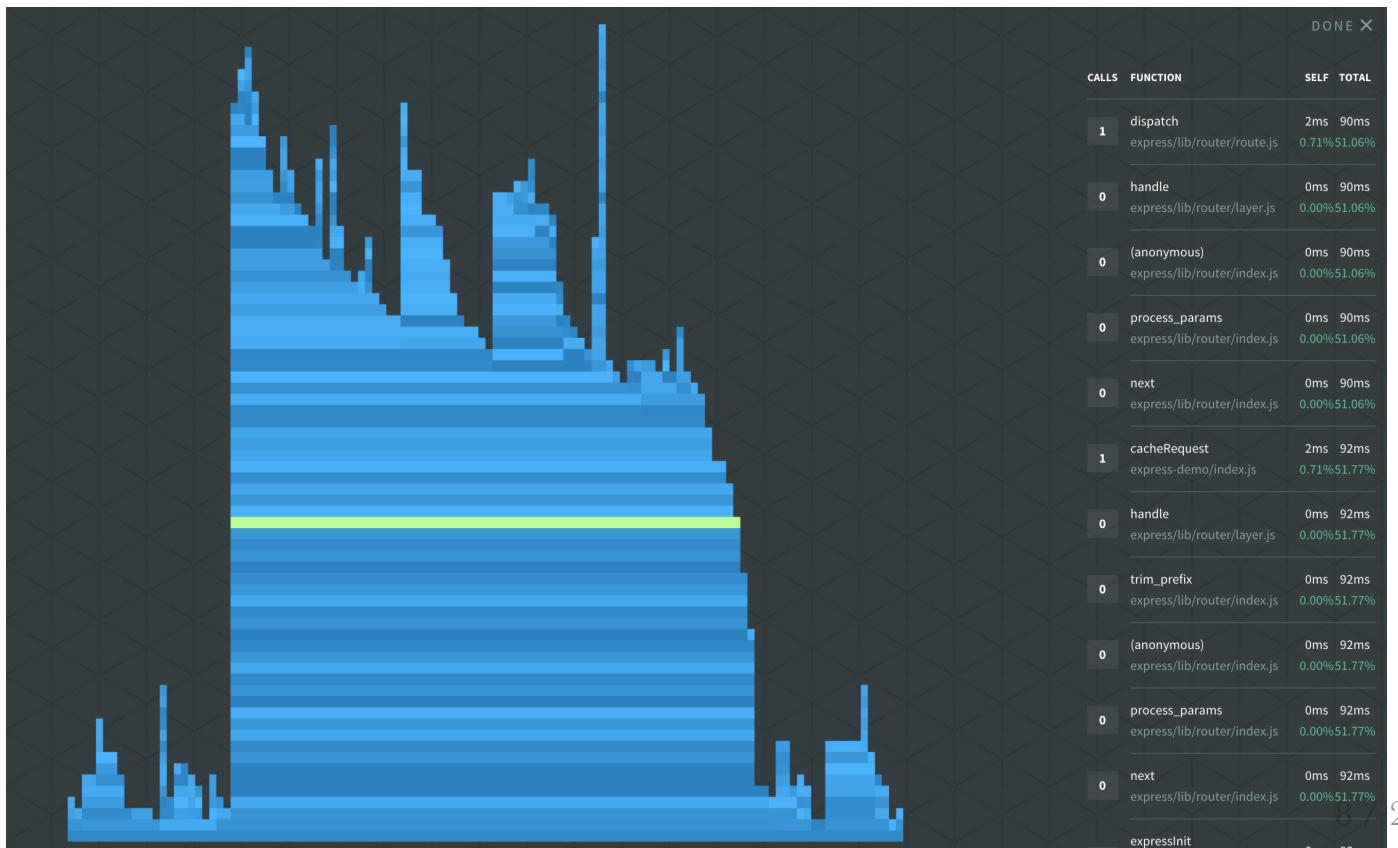
table showing functions time

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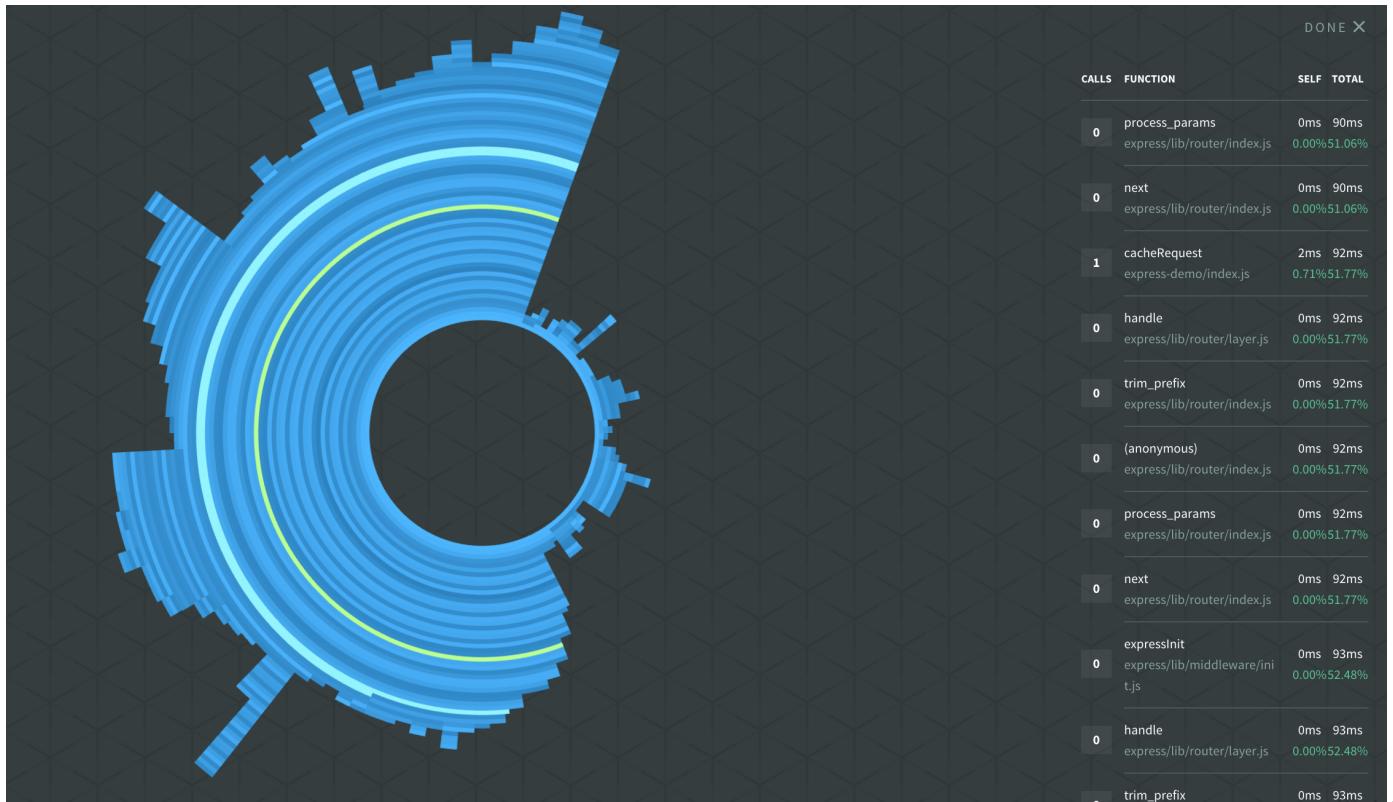
flame graph



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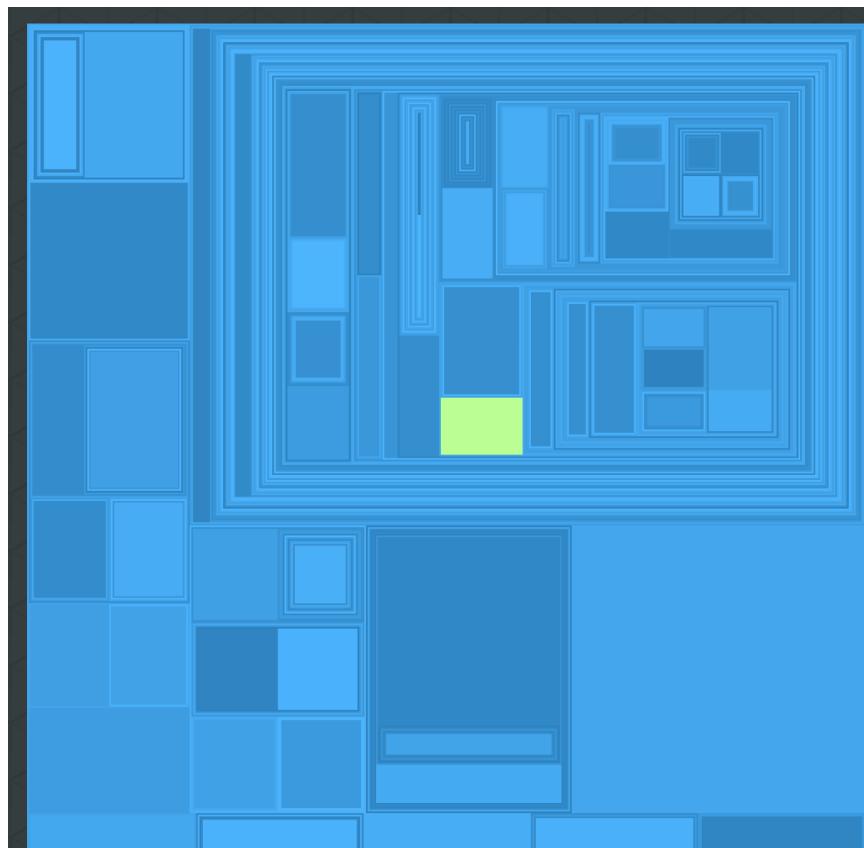
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treemap



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CALLS	FUNCTION	SELF	TOTAL
1	Block.push jade/lib/nodes/block.js	2ms 0.71%	2ms 0.71%
0	Parser.parse jade/lib/parser.js	0ms 0.00%	18ms 9.93%
0	parse jade/lib/index.js	0ms 0.00%	68ms 38.30%
1	exports.compile jade/lib/index.js	2ms 0.71%	70ms 39.72%
0	handleTemplateCache jade/lib/index.js	0ms 0.00%	73ms 41.13%
0	exports.renderFile jade/lib/index.js	0ms 0.00%	73ms 41.13%
0	exports.renderFile jade/lib/index.js	0ms 0.00%	84ms 47.52%
1	exports._express jade/lib/index.js	2ms 0.71%	85ms 48.23%
0	render express/lib/view.js	0ms 0.00%	85ms 48.23%
0	tryRender express/lib/application.js	0ms 0.00%	85ms 48.23%
2	render express/lib/application.js	3ms 1.42%	88ms 49.65%

understanding CPU profiling

- intro: [Google Developers: Speed Up JavaScript Execution](#)
- **self time** - the time it took to run the function, **not** including any functions that it called
- **total time** - the time it took to run the function, including any functions that it called

how can you get CPU profiles?

- npm v8-profiler (requires instrumenting your code)
- npm node-inspector
- StrongLoop arc
- NodeSource N|Solid

demo time!

- using N|Solid - [getting started info](#)
- see the instructions in [demos/README.md](#)
- source for the express-demo

profiling memory

what are V8 heap snapshots?

- blah blah

what kind of output can you get?

- blah blah

how can you get heap snapshots?

- blah blah

demo time!

see the instructions in [demos/README.md](#)

[source for the express-demo](#)

profiling tips

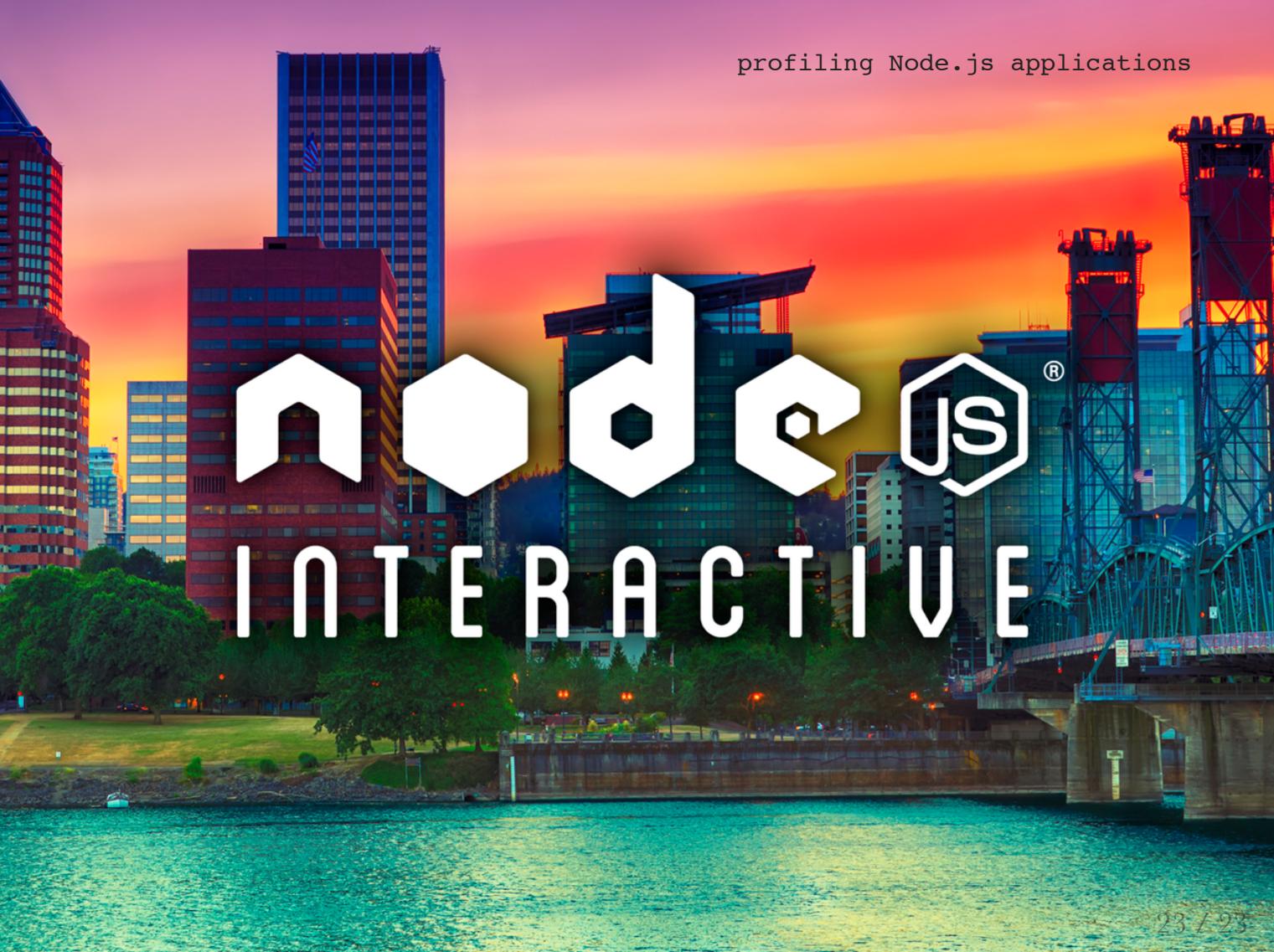
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profiling memory

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The background of the slide features a vibrant sunset over a city skyline. In the foreground, a bridge spans a body of water. The city buildings are illuminated by their own lights, creating a warm glow against the orange and pink sky.

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