

Getting the Most out of JavaScript...

... Without using JavaScript

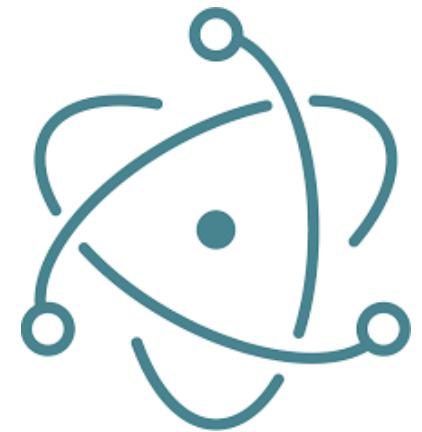
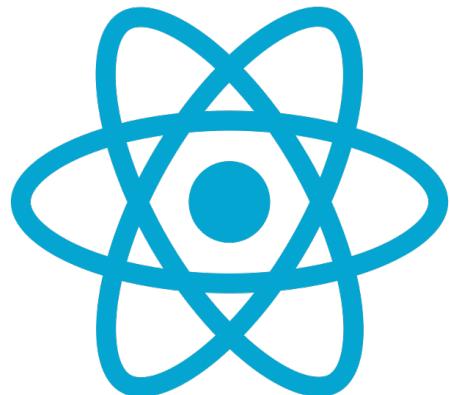
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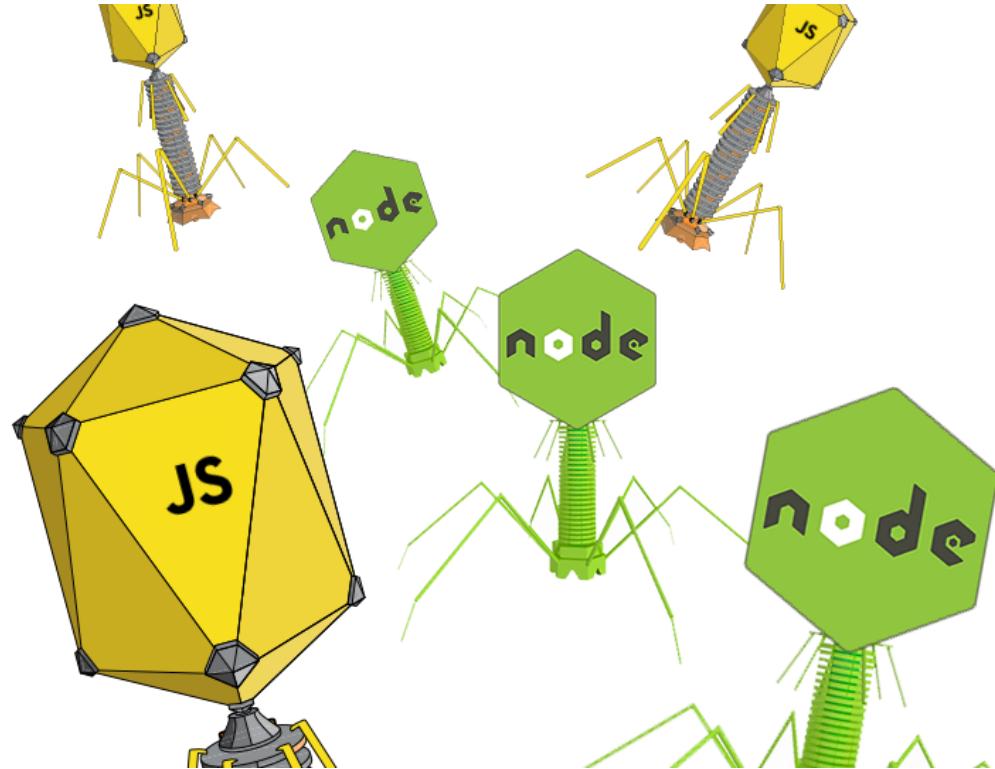
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People are using JavaScript for more things than anyone ever wanted to...



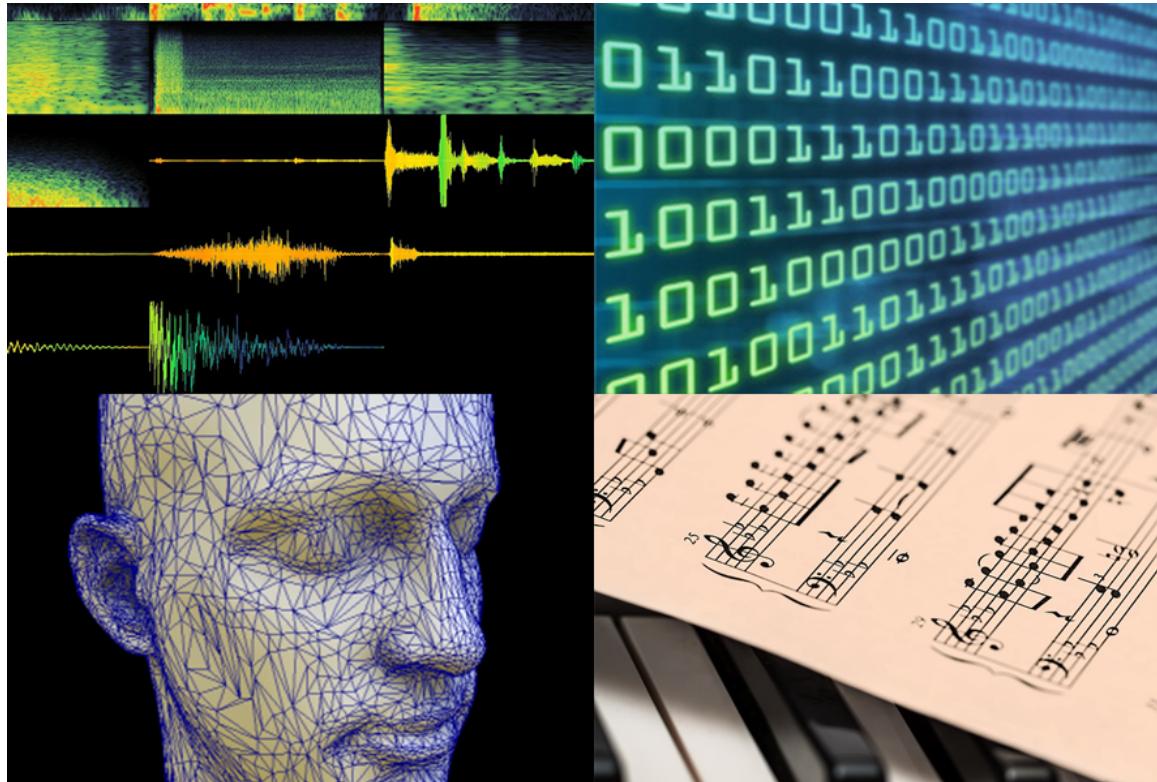
JavaScript is a virus...



... and it CANNOT. BE. STOPPED.

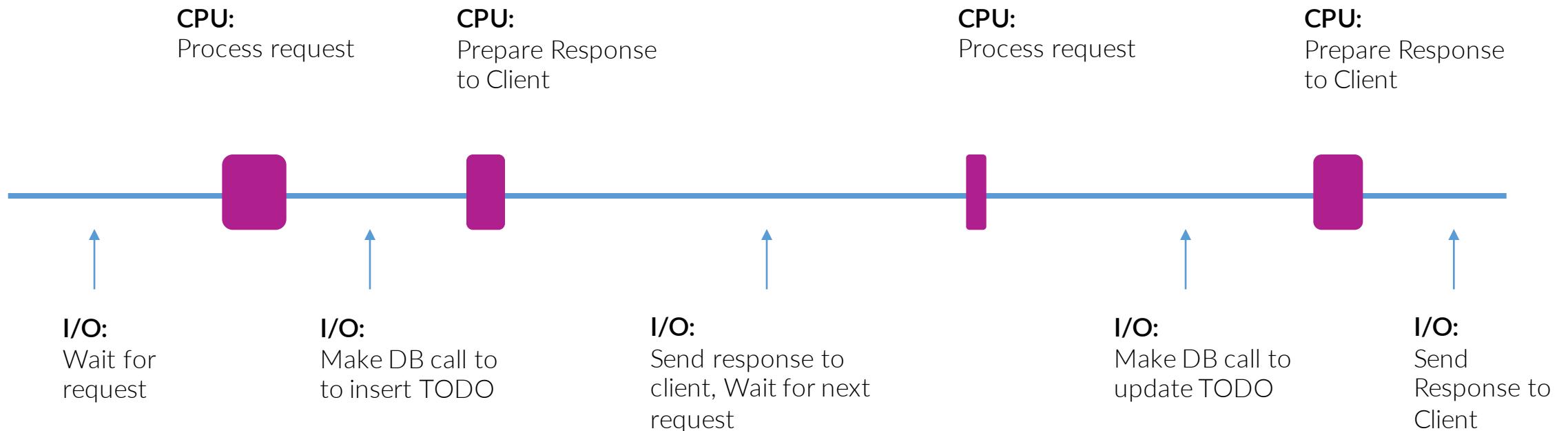
But it can't do everything!

And what it's NOT good at tends to be pretty cool...



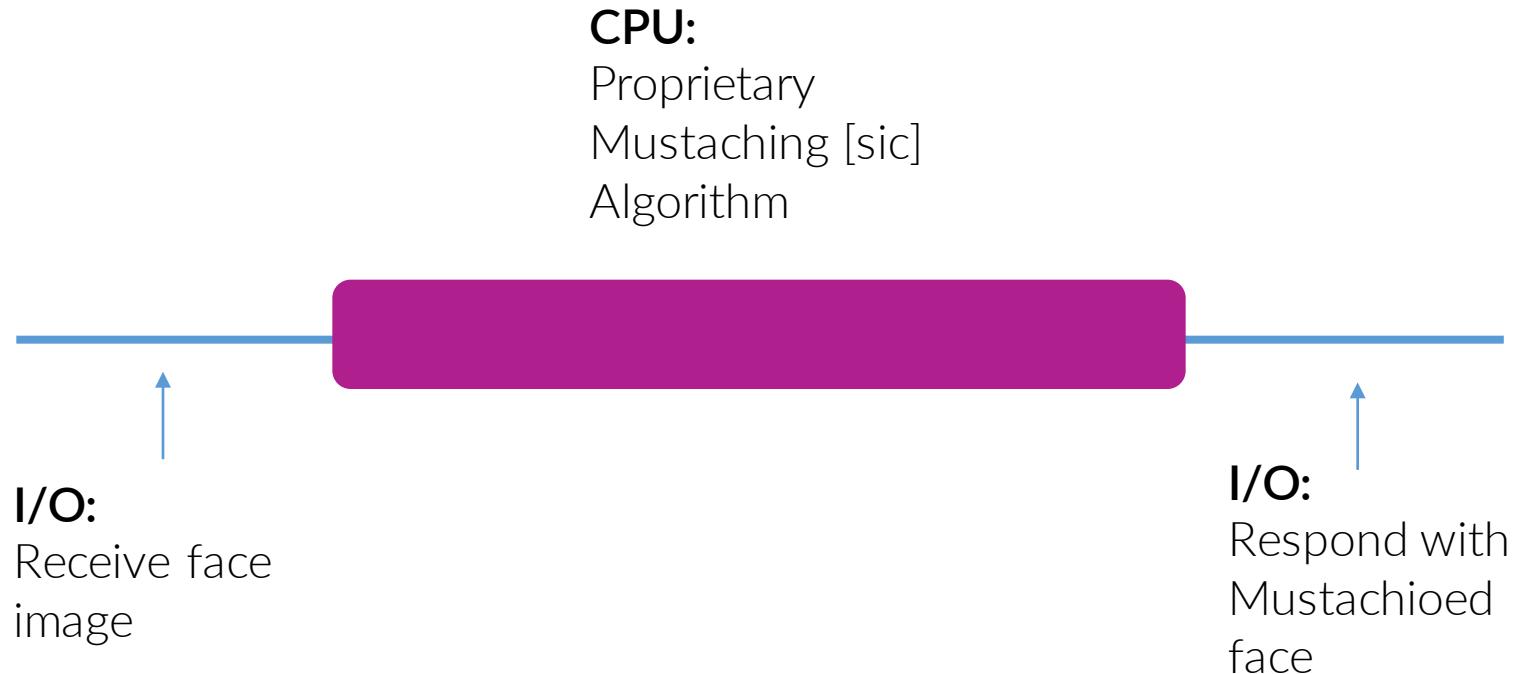
Tasks that require little IO but BIG processing power

- JavaScript is well suited to I/O bound applications
- Example: **TODO app**



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- JavaScript **struggles** with CPU bound applications
- Example: **Electron Mustache app**

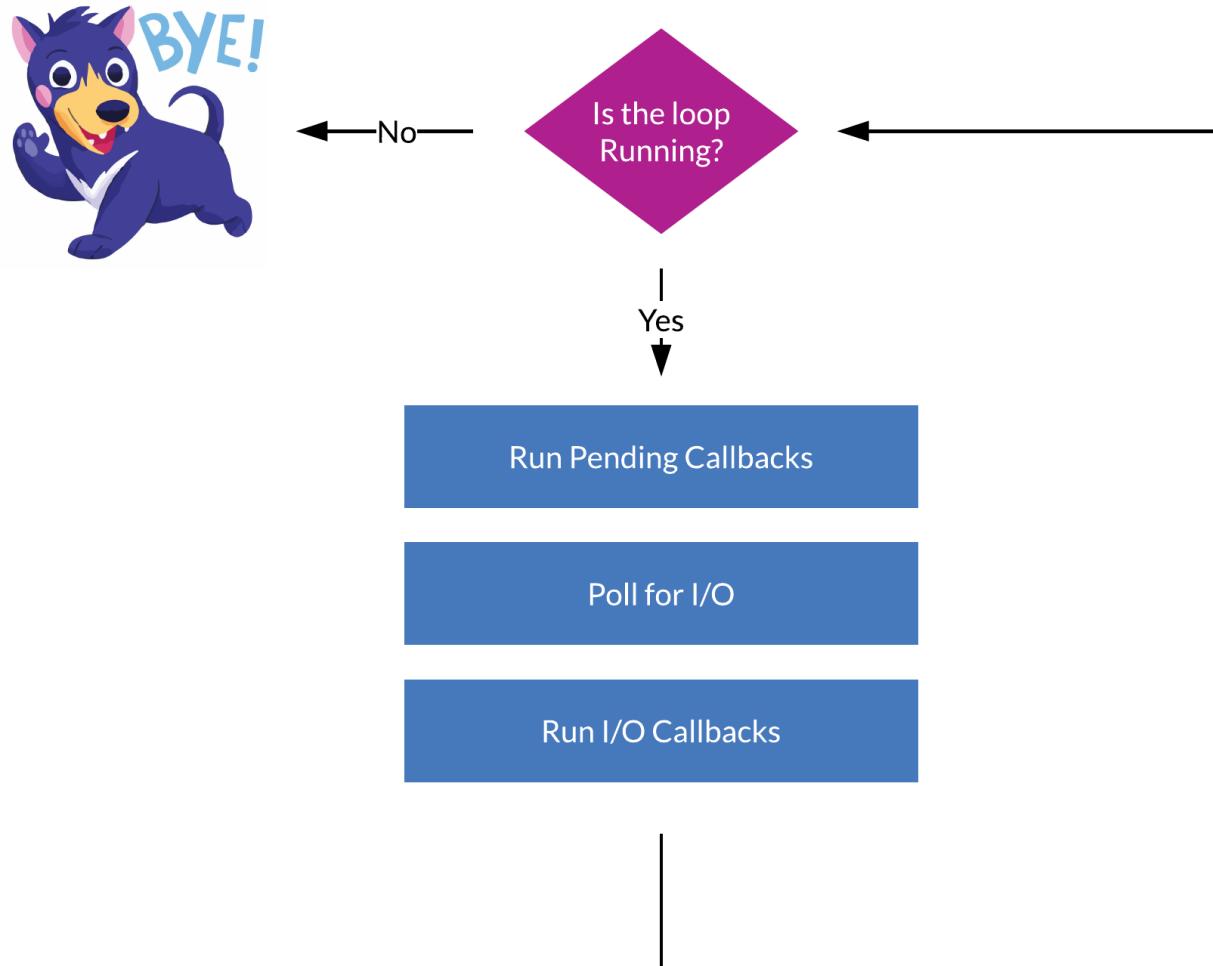




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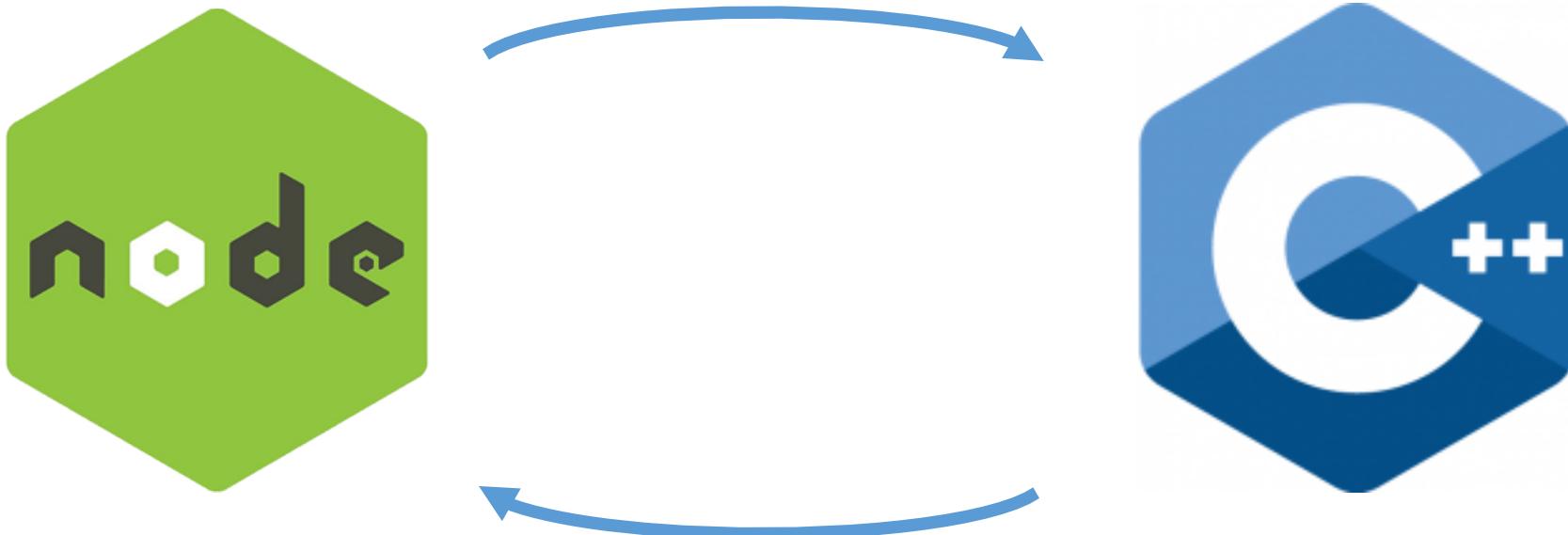
libuv in a Nutshell

(This is a gross simplification)



So how do I add mustaches to my electron app?

We can write a native NodeJS addon in C++!



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#include <SnapChat/mustache.h>

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    void Execute () {
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    }

    void HandleOKCallback () {
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index.js

```
const mustache = require('./build/Release/binding.node')
const fs = require('fs')

fs.readFile('face.jpg', renderMustache);

function renderMustache(err, buffer) {
  if (err) throw err;
  mustache.renderMustache(buffer, mustacheRendered)
}

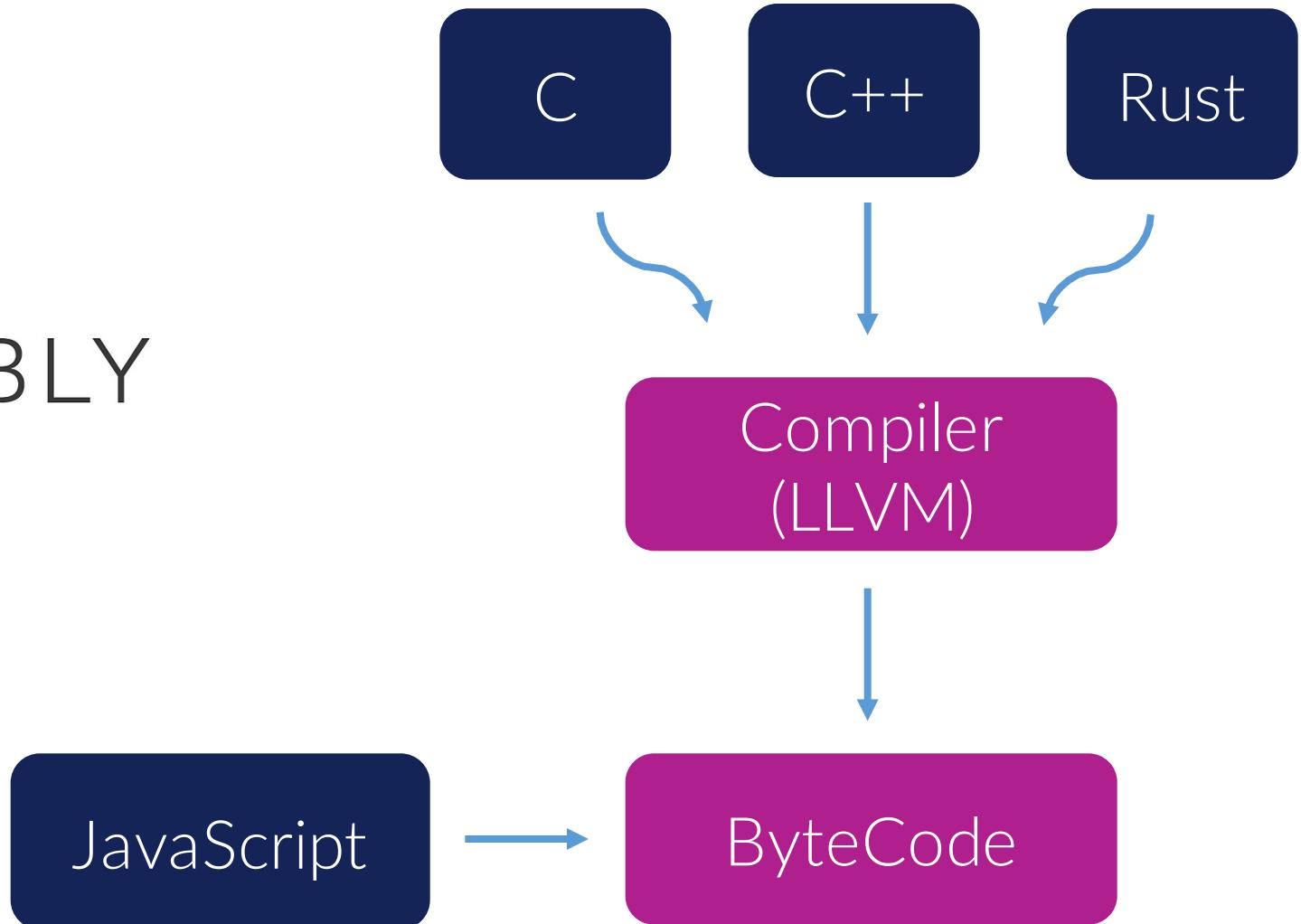
function mustacheRendered(data) {
  console.log('success!')
}
```

At the moment, the method for implementing Addons is rather complicated...

- Actual Quote from NodeJS
Official Documentation



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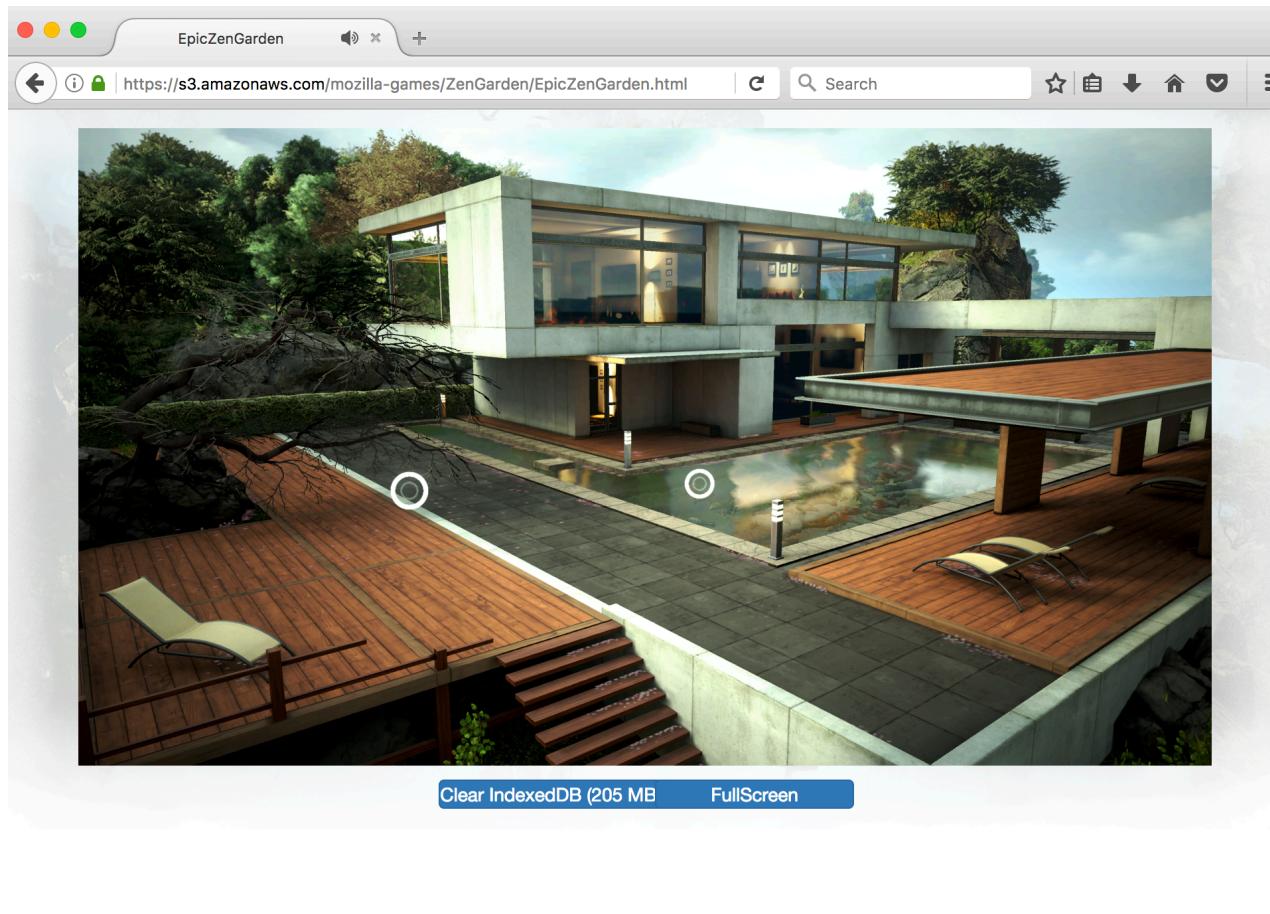
What's the catch?

- Browser Sandbox
- Virtualization overhead
- Tooling is still young

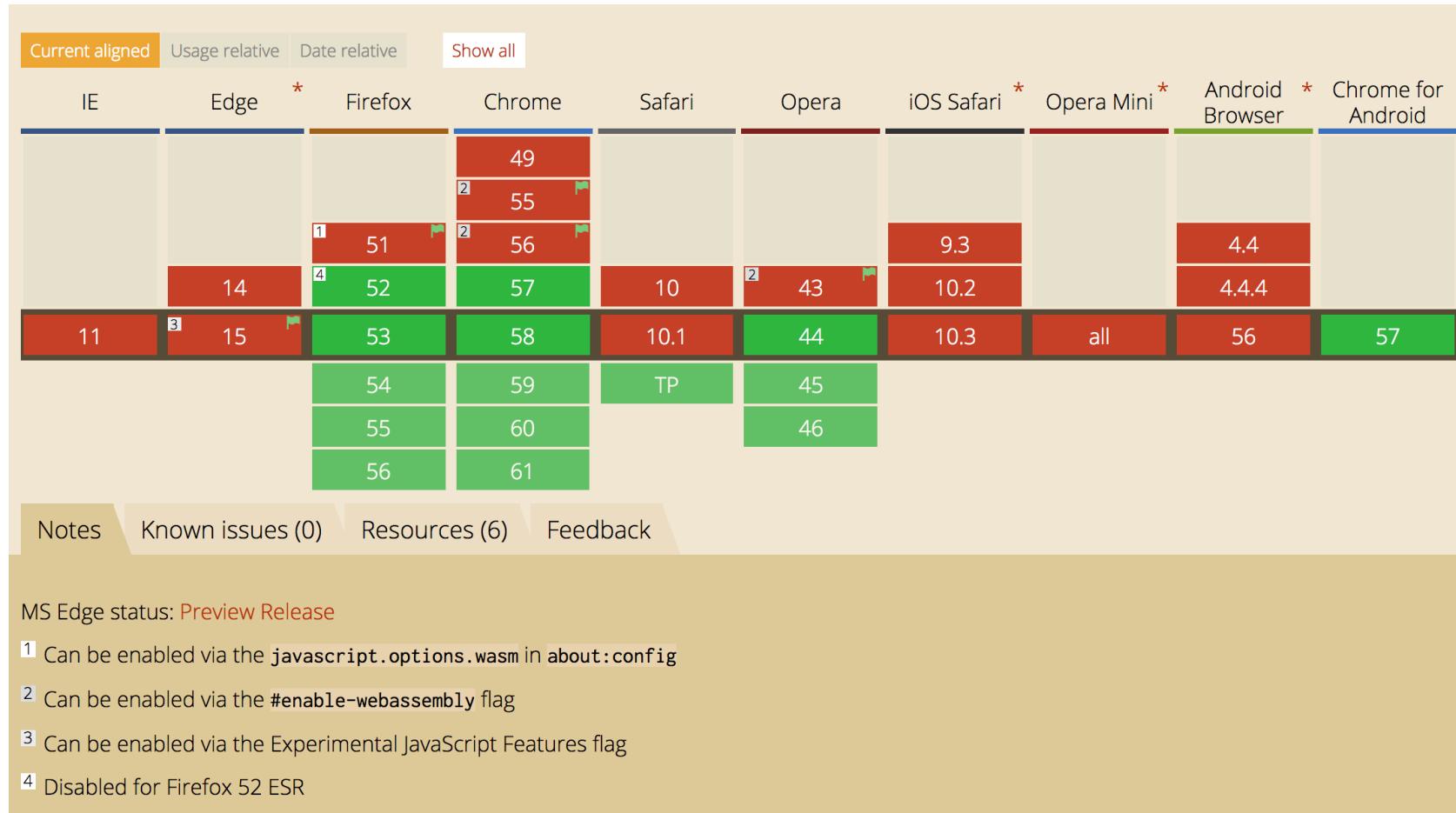
Planned, but not in MVP:

- No DOM integration (yet)
- Thread Support (yet)

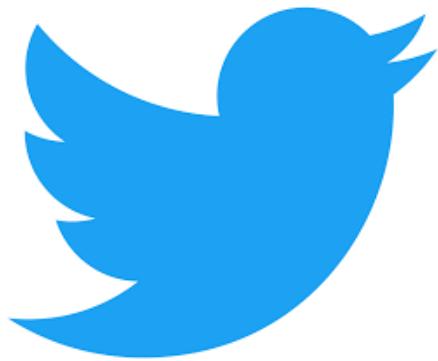
Its pretty cool...



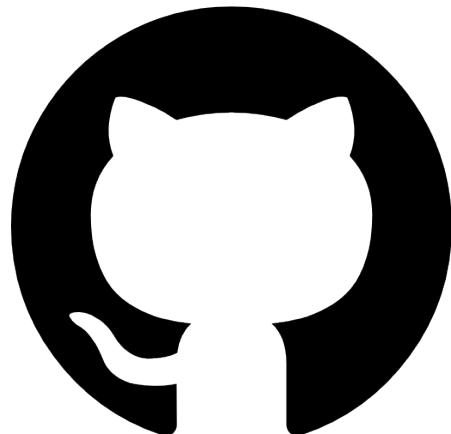
Can I use it yet?



Thank You



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