

**YEAH FRONT-END IS COOL**



**BUT HAVE YOU  
TRIED BACK-END**

# Introduction to Buffer Module

Buffer module is **commonly used to work with binary data directly**. It is a part of Node.js and allows you to work with raw binary data in a variety of encodings.

# But why to work with binary data directly?

- **Performance:** Operations on buffers are generally faster compared to string manipulation when dealing with binary data, especially when working with large datasets.
- **Flexibility:** Buffers can be resized, sliced, concatenated, and manipulated in various ways to suit different use cases.
- **Interoperability:** Buffers can be easily converted to and from other data types, such as strings, arrays, and TypedArrays, facilitating interoperability with different parts of an application or external systems.

# Creating a Buffer:

```
// Creating a Buffer of size 4 bytes  
const buffer = Buffer.alloc(4);  
console.log(buffer);
```

# Writing and Reading Data:

- You can write data into the buffer and read it back:

```
// Writing data to the buffer
buffer.write('Hello', 'utf-8');
// Reading data from the buffer
const data = buffer.toString('utf-8');
console.log(data); // Output: Hello
```

# Concatenating Buffers:

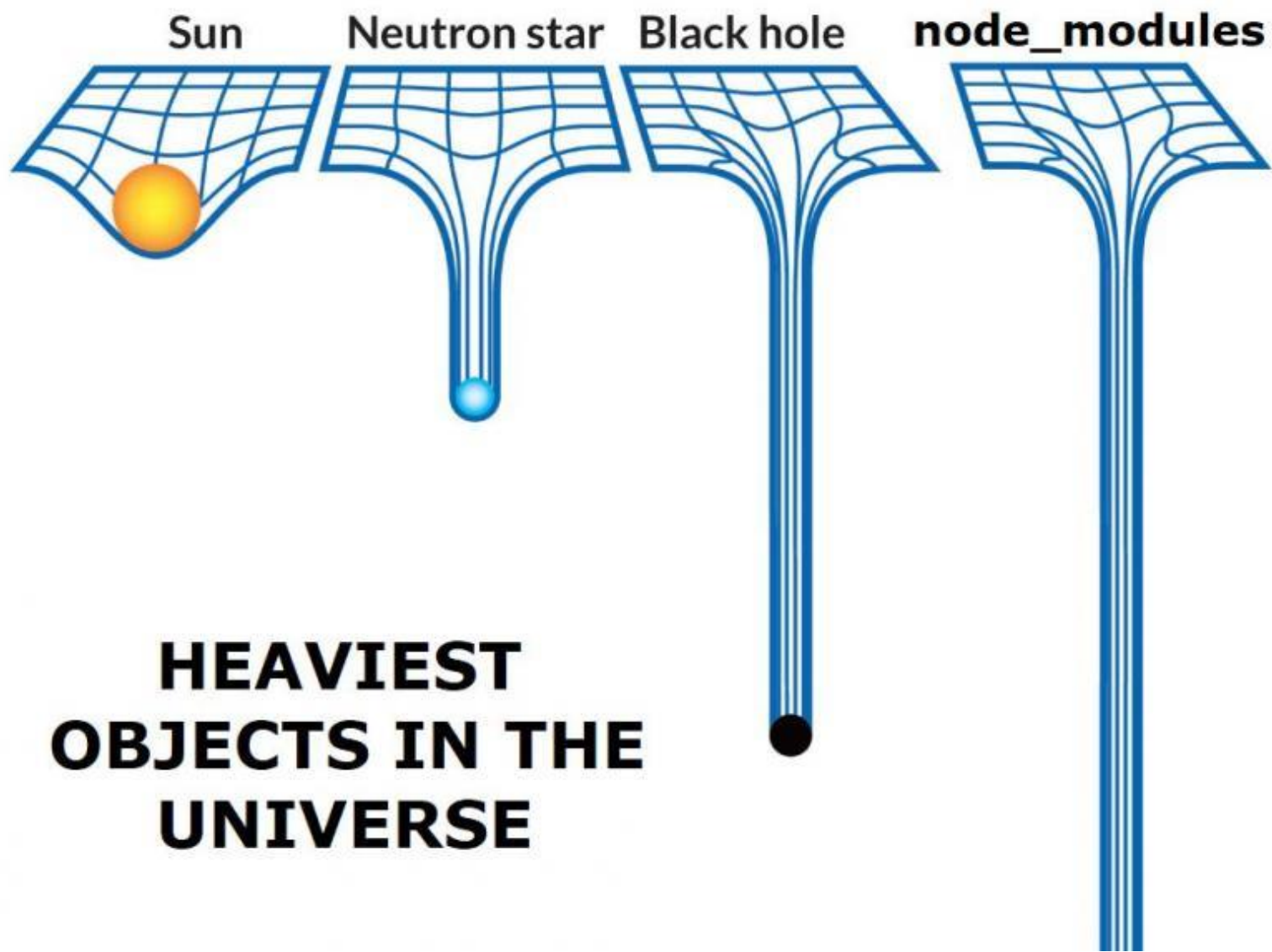
```
const buffer1 = Buffer.from('Hello', 'utf-8');  
const buffer2 = Buffer.from(' World', 'utf-8');  
  
// Concatenating buffers  
const concatenatedBuffer = Buffer.concat([buffer1,  
buffer2]);  
console.log(concatenatedBuffer.toString('utf-8'));  
// Output: Hello World
```

# Stream Module

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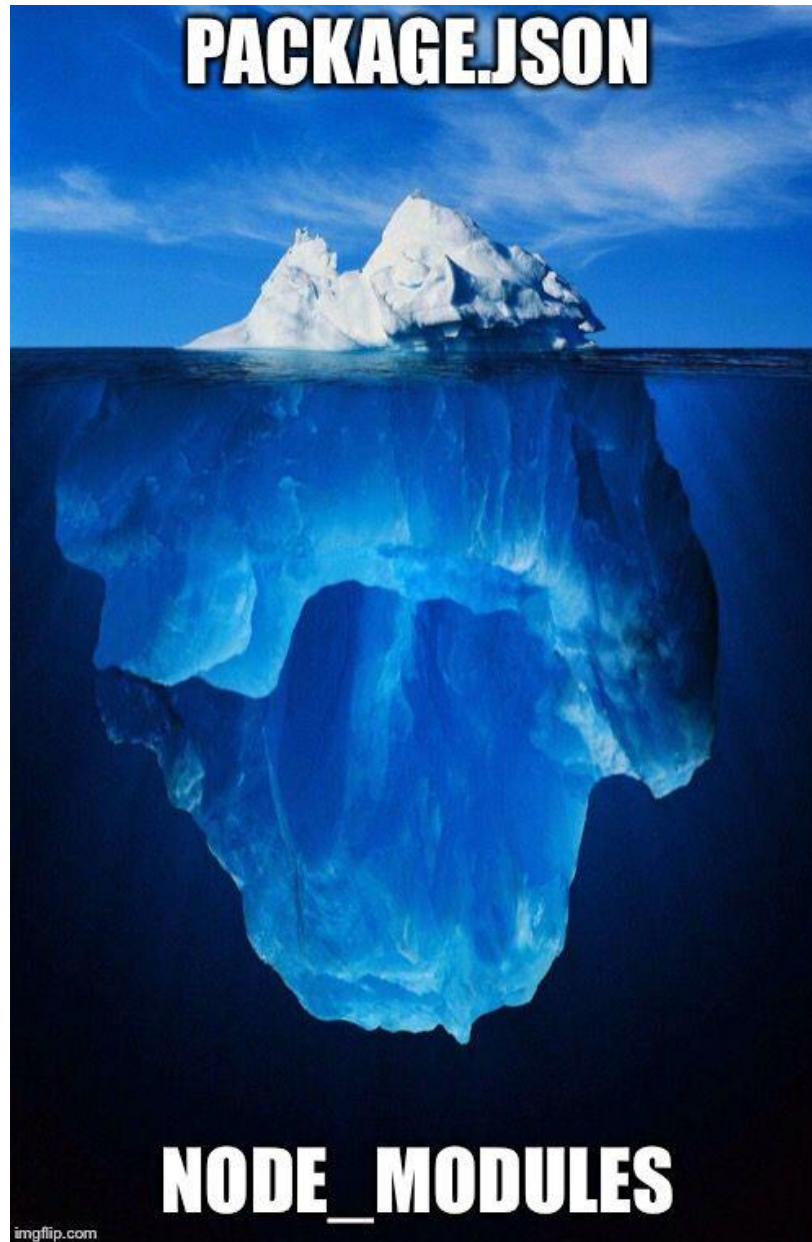
# Whaaat is this, Stream?

Streams are **sequences of data made available over time**. Rather than reading or writing all the data at once, streams allow you to **process data piece by piece**, which is particularly useful when dealing with large datasets or when real-time processing is required.

## So, Stream Module....

In essence, the Stream Module enables efficient handling of data streams, allowing developers to process data in smaller, manageable chunks, leading to better performance.

**PACKAGE.JSON**



**NODE\_MODULES**

# Reading data

```
const fs = require('fs');

// Create a readable stream with a smaller chunk size (e.g., 64 bytes)
const readableStream = fs.createReadStream('example.txt', { encoding: 'utf8', highWaterMark: 64 });

// Listen for the 'data' event, which indicates that a chunk of data is available
readableStream.on('data', (chunk) => {
    console.log('Received chunk of data:');
    console.log(chunk);
});

// Listen for the 'end' event, which indicates that all data has been read
readableStream.on('end', () => {
    console.log('Finished reading data from the file.');
```

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});

// Listen for the 'error' event, in case of any errors during reading
readableStream.on('error', (err) => {
    console.error('Error reading data:', err);
});
```

# Writing Data

```
const fs = require('fs');

// Create a writable stream to write data to a file
const writableStream = fs.createWriteStream('output.txt');

// Data to be written
const data = 'Hello, world';

writableStream.write(chunk);

// End the writable stream to indicate that no more data will be written
writableStream.end();
```

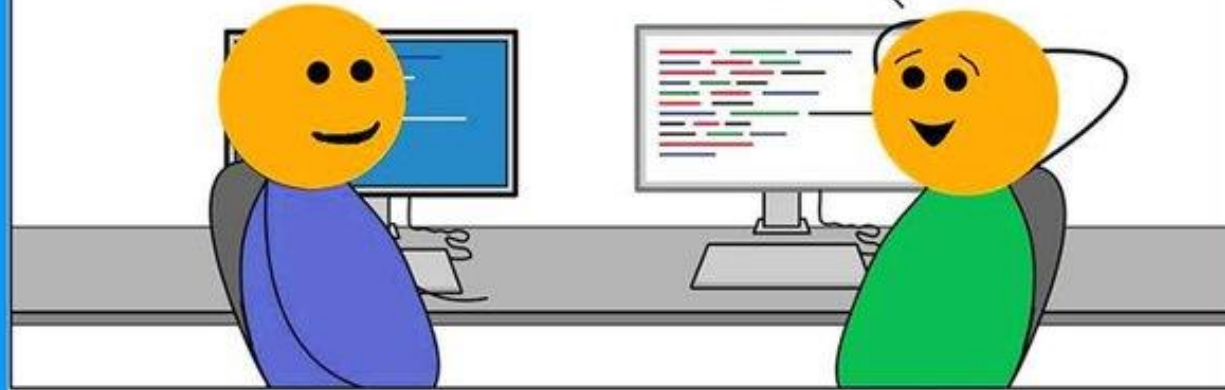
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// Listen for the 'finish' event, which indicates that  
all data has been written
```

```
writableStream.on('finish', () => {  
    console.log('Finished writing data to the file.');
```

```
});  
  
// Listen for the 'error' event, in case of any errors  
during writing
```

```
writableStream.on('error', (err) => {  
    console.error('Error writing data:', err);  
});
```

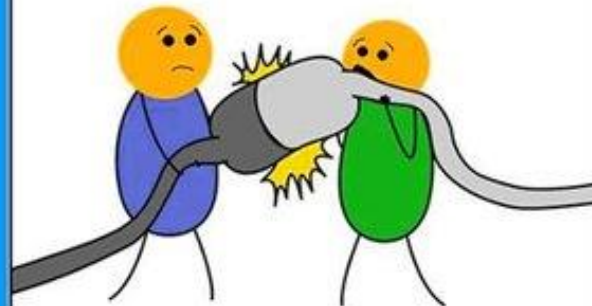
YOU WORK ON FRONT-END AND  
I WILL WORK ON BACK-END.



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# Piping Streams

The process of **connecting the output of one stream to the input of another stream**. This allows you to easily transfer data from one stream to another without manually handling the data flow



```
const fs = require('fs');

// Create a readable stream to read data from a source file
const readableStream = fs.createReadStream('example.txt', 'utf8');

// Create a writable stream to write data to a destination file
const writableStream = fs.createWriteStream('destination.txt');

// Pipe the data from the readable stream to the writable stream
readableStream.pipe(writableStream);

// Listen for the 'finish' event on the writable stream
writableStream.on('finish', () => {
    console.log('Data piped successfully from source to destination.');
```

});

// Listen for the 'error' event on the readable stream, in case of any errors during reading

```
readableStream.on('error', (err) => {  
    console.error('Error reading data:', err);  
});
```

// Listen for the 'error' event on the writable stream, in case of any errors during writing

```
writableStream.on('error', (err) => {  
    console.error('Error writing data:', err);  
});
```

# Test your Knowledge

Design a Node.js server using the HTTP and FS modules to efficiently read the contents of a file ('example.txt') and stream it to another file ('example2.txt') when a client accesses the server's root URL ('/')?"

```
const http= require('http');
const fs=require('fs');

http.createServer((req,res)=>{
  if(req.url=='/'){
    readStream=fs.createReadStream('example.txt',{highWaterMark:8});
    writeStream=fs.createWriteStream('example2.txt');
    readStream.pipe(writeStream);
    res.end('Doneeeee');
  }
}).listen(5000);
```