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Advanced core Node

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L> Prereq - JS

Node != JavaScript || We will focus on pure Node and node apis.

- Server side framework
- Why is Node so popular ~ full stack JavaScript
- Non blocking.

The course will cover :

- The event loop.
- V8 and the call stack .
- Sockets .
- Event Emitters.
- Streams . and . Clusters . { for scaling }

<https://github.com/stan-alam/NodeJS/blob/master/README.md>

lets start by looking at  
these questions : d1. 18. 2018

1. What is the relationship between Node and V8?  
Can node work without V8?
2. How come when you declare a global variable  
in any node.js file it is not really  
global to all modules?
3. When exporting the API of a node module,  
why can we sometimes use exports  
and then other times we have to use  
module.exports
4. Can we require local files without using  
relative paths?
5. Can different versions of the same package  
be used in the same application?
6. What is the event loop? is it part of V8?

7. What is the call back stack? d1. 18. 2018

8. What is the difference between {  
setImmediate()  
} and process.nextTick?

9. How do you make an async process  
return a value?

10. Can callbacks be used with promises or  
is it one way or the other?

## Course Overview

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1. Node != JS , 2. Node's event-drive architecture

3. Node for web

4. Working with Streams

5. Concurrency Model  
and event loop

6. Node for Networking

7. Node's Built-in Modules

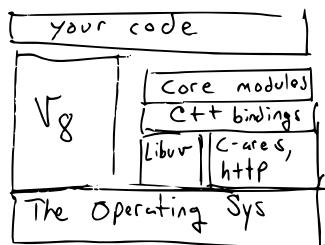
8. Clusters' and Child processes

## II Node Architecture V8 : Libuv

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Node can run on V8 and Chakra

- We will cover V8 feature groups and command-line options.



Examine node's relationship with the V8 engine and Libuv

We will also cover Node's REPL  
i.e. useful command line options φ1.18. 2φ18'

We will discuss the global object. The process object and the buffer module.

We will also discuss the ("require") module.

↳ the require module entails

`require("something")`

Resolving, Loading, Wrapping

Evaluating, Caching

We will discuss C++ wrappers, and we will discuss how node wraps every module in a function. And the various ways a require module can be resolved and how the require module can cache every module it uses.

And part of the course φ1.18. 2φ18'  
we will discuss node's Concurrency Model and event Loop.

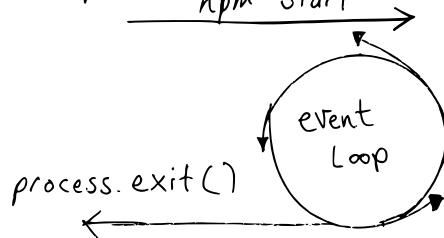
- We will define what IO really means... the different options for IO, e.g.

Synchronous, `fork()`,

Threads, Event Loop

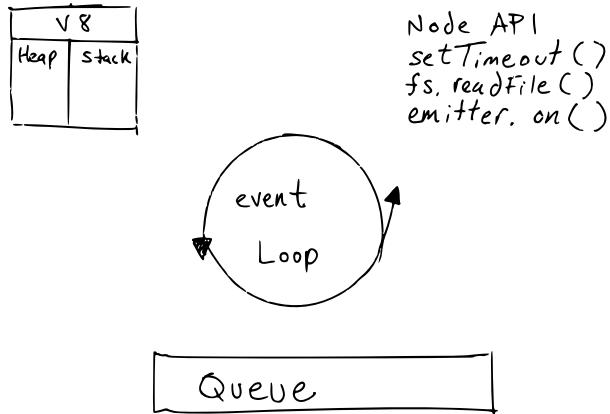
We will discuss the event model as it relates to Node.js, Libuv, Ruby's Event Machine, Python's Twisted

We will see how Node uses the event loop for npm



We will discuss the different players that need to be understood to understand the event loop.

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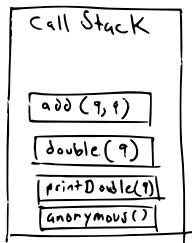


We will be exploring the V8's call stack → and see where in the code V8 is executing e.g.

```
const add = (a, b) => a + b
const double = a =>
  add(a, a);
```

```
const printDouble = a => {
  const output = double(a);
  console.log(output)
};
```

```
printDouble(9);
```

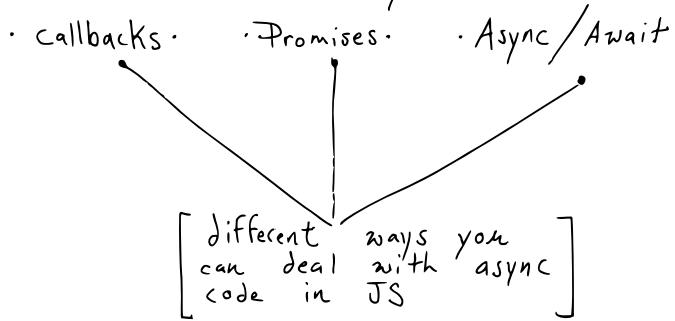


We will also look at how slow operations affect the single threaded call stack.

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We will also explore the event driven nature of node using its core event emitter module

### \* Asynchrony \*



\* Best of all : Node's error first callback !!! which is Node's standard

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you can also combine callbacks with promises and then consume these promises using the asyn-wait feature.

• how to use arguments with emitted events.

```

import → const EventEmitter = require('events');
extend → class Logger extends EventEmitter {}
init → const logger = new Logger();
emit → logger.emit('event');
addListener → logger.on('event', listenerFunc);
  
```

We will take a gander at the EventEmitter module.  
How to handle special error events

• and what happens when we register multiple listeners to the same event

In this course → we will φ1. 19. 2φ18  
 also see how node can work with TCP/MDP protocols.

We will create basic network examples, using the net module. How to communicate with TCP/IP sockets for read and write. Also look at how the sockets are event emitters. We will create a network server and then extend the server to a chat app. {server}

- We will also explore the dns module.

```
e.g. const dns = require('dns');
      dns.lookup('ghostfish.io', (err, address)
      => {
        console.log(address);
     });
```

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- We will also cover the udp sockets use, using the dgram module.

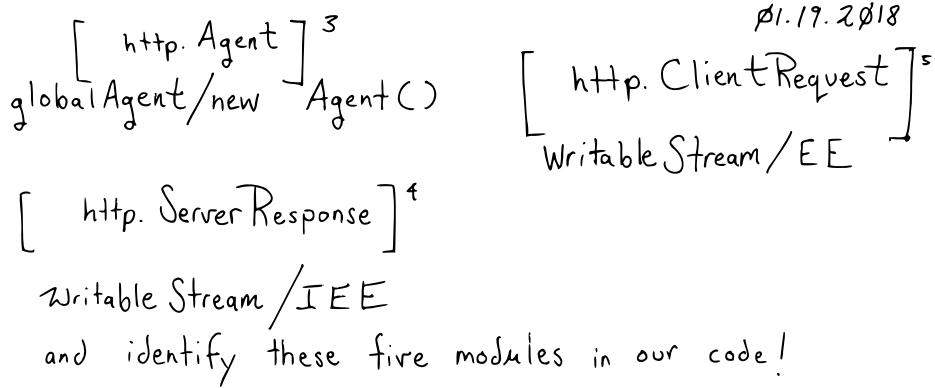
We will explore 'Node for the Web' Node's http, https support.

We will create a simple http server that is non-blocking. And streaming ready out of the box.

We will also create an https server with a self-signed certificate will create using OpenSSL Kit.

We will also learn about the five major http module classes

$\boxed{\text{http Server}}^1$	$\boxed{\text{http.IncomingMessage}}^2$
net.Server/EE	ReadableStream/EE



We will use node for running      Ø1.22.2 Ø18

http(s) requests and basic web routing, handle HTML, JSON, and redirects (in the case of 404)

use node's native module to parse and format URLs and query strings.

\* We will also cover - Node's common Built-in Modules.

Starting with the os module (one that you used before) e.g. os.freemem(); which can be used to access information directly from the operating system

@ here : why not make a node app that detects if you're using win or Linux, 32, or 64 bit

We will explore (cover) the fs module by implementing three practical tasks

- We will create custom console objects i.e. using the util module, and use the util

module directly

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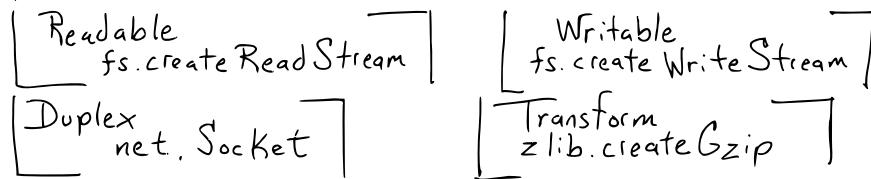
- We will also debug an issue within a script using a built-in debugger, create breakpoints define watchers and use reple to examine any point in the code !!!

- We will cover Working With Streams

\* Streams are Node's best and most misunderstood idea \* -Dominic Tarr

We will use the Unix philosophy to build simple modular stream, which we can add to. We will do this by chaining them together.

- \* Types of Streams \*



\* Remember all streams are

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Event Emitters \*

we can consume them using either events or by piping just like in Linux i.e. the pipe.

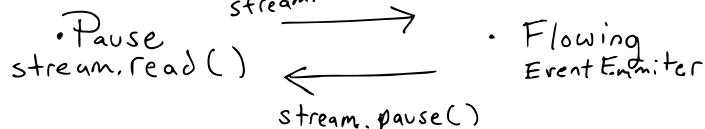
in linux → a | b | c | , a is piped to b → c

in node → a.pipe(b).pipe(c).pipe(d);

or  
a.pipe(b);      We will look at how to chain  
b.pipe(c);      stream the pipe function

There are two basic ways of using Streams  
i.e. the implementing and Consuming

There are also two different modes of  
readable streams  $\xrightarrow{\text{stream.resume()}}$



For Implementing Streams → require('stream') Ø1. 22. 2018

For Consuming Streams → piping / events

And Finally we will examine

## \* Clusters and Child Processes \*

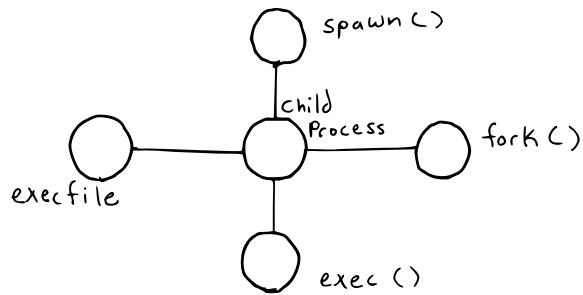
Scalability → in Node.js is something to think about early in the process.

We will discuss the reasons to scale an application i.e. for

Work Load \* Availability \* Fault Tolerance  
Scalability and the 3 different Strategies

i.e. Cloning, Decomposing, Splitting

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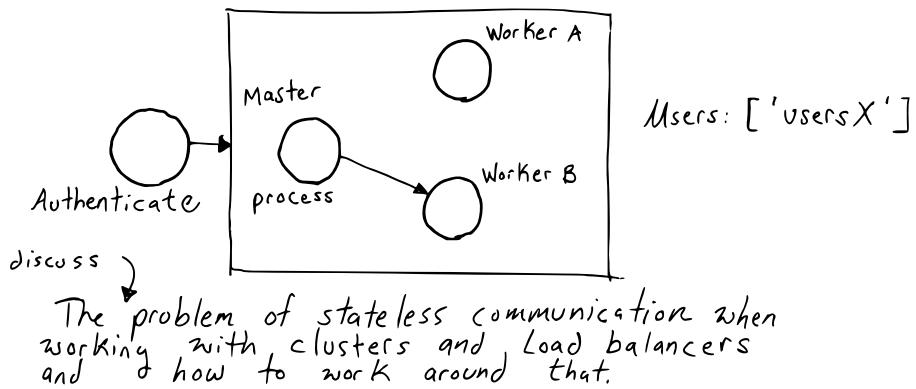
We will examine the different ways we use child processes - starting with the `spawn()` method. i.e. using the child process module

We will do this using the shell, customize IO objs fetching the child process from parent and controlling environment variables.

We will discuss the differences between `spawn`, `exec` and `execfile` and we will fork a process so we don't cause issues with the main process

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We will scale a simple http server, how to broadcast a message from a master process to all forked processes, how to restart failed workers automatically and how to perform zero downtime restarts.



Ø4. Node's Architecture: V8 and libuv Ø1. 22. 2 Ø18

\* Two most important Architecture  
V8 and libuv, Node uses V8 but will soon work on MS Chakra.

V8 Feature groups →

- 1. Shipping
- 2. Staged
- 3. In Progress

try this command at Repl & node -p 'process.versions.v8'

these 3 features are included with V8.

- 1. Shipping comes with the standard node
- 2. Staging - still in test, use --harmony flag
- 3. In progress Very unstable

To see all the current in progress features at the Repl :

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\$ node --v8-options | grep "in progress"

To see all the V8 options at Repl

\$ node --v8-options | less \* Less is more in

you can now use 'strict' mode on all code runs, instead of having to define strict manually.

You can also disable features that are enabled by default.

e.g. checking to see what options you can control for the garbage collector, use:

\$ node --v8-options | grep gc

to see the --trace-gc : To get a log line to see everytime the gc runs

\$ --expose-gc is useful when you're measuring  
memory use in your node app. The V8 module could  
be used for debugging etc.

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Node uses V8 with a C++ binding(s)

Node itself has an API that allows you to interact with Java Script, the API eventually executes C++ code using function templates. It is not part of V8 itself. Node handles waiting (async) for aysnc events using libuv.

When node is finished with waiting for I/O operations or timers it usually has callback functions to invoke - Node will pass the control to V8. When V8 is done, it will pass the control back to Node.

Since V8 is single threaded, Node will wait until V8 is done processing its code. This does not depend on how many callbacks have been registered by Node.

This makes programming in Node easier. No race conditions, or locks. φ1. 22. 2φ18

\* libuv is a C library that has been developed by node.

It is used by Rust, and others

. libuv is used to abstract the non-blocking I/O operations to a consistent interface across many operating systems. Libuv handles operations on the file system, TCP/UDP sockets, child processes and others. libuv also provides a thread pool to handle what cannot be done async at the OS level.

\* Most important thing about Libuv \*

Libuv provides Node with the event loop !!!

Node also has a few other dependencies :

These dependencies are

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http-parser, c-ares, OpenSSL, zlib

↳ small C library for request/responses, small memory footprint

C-ares to perform async dns queries

OpenSSL - used mainly in TLS and crypto modules provides many functions for encryption

zlib - fast async, streaming, compression/decompression interfaces.

## 5. Node's CLI and REPL (φ1. 29. 2φ18)

- Very convenient → you can tab for autocomplete -

for global functions. The autocomplete is very special  
functions \* memorize all global top level

## 5. cont...

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node's global, at the REPL, global Top level functions are available without instantiation, e.g.

> `console.log(global)` ← will print the actual properties of Global.

Reverse Search is not available in REPL, but you can use rlwrap (not on Windows)

you will have to install rlwrap {separate} and run like so

\$ `NODE_NO_READLINE=1 rlwrap node`

and then env variable, to disable node's built in readline and then use the readline feature from rlwrap

The underscore is also very handy. phi. 29. 2018

> \_ use it to access the last evaluated value

> `Math.random()`

> \_

> `let r = _`

> `console.log(r);`

Node's REPL also has special commands that begin with a dot

> dot tab will print the list to console

e.g.

> .help , dot break will get you out of a multiline session

dot load can allow you to load another script.

You can use .save to save  
RePL session history to file.

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There is also an editor with .editor

Node comes with its own RePL module  
you can use it to define custom sessions

To use the custom RePL function just  
require it and invoke it with the repl.start()

You can even customize the RePL to stream  
with a socket.

You can also control the RePL's global object  
using context. e.g.

r.context.lodash = require('lodash');

now lodash will be available in your custom  
RePL.

To view the options available for node

\$ node --help | less

• use the -c on command line to evaluate syntax of your node application ϕ1. 30. 2018

-P, evaluates a string and prints the results

e.g. \$ node -P "process.arch" { which architecture node is running on }

You can also check to see the number of processors on your machine, with

\$ node -P "os.cpus()"

The -r option is used to preload one or modules before executing the script. Use this when loading the custom modules without modifying the code itself.

with the `-r` option you phi. 30. 2018  
 can modify the any of the global features,  
 e.g. timers, loggers etc.

`$ node -p "process.argv.slice(1)" test42`

- The list of arguments you supply after the command line can be used to supply the process with direct input.

- All arguments can be accessed using the `argv` { argument vector }

all values in the argument vector are strings

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## Global Objects, Process, and Buffer

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Global Object, Process, and Buffer phi. 30. 2018

\* The only true global object in node is called, you guessed it : `global`.

- When you declare a top level variable, e.g.

`var answer = 42;` is defined local to the `util` module and cannot be accessed even if you require the `util` module

You can do this --> `global.answer = 42;`

But it is better that you do not declare at the `global` scope.

★★★ To be a serious Node dev - you must be able to recognize and use all the global objects in REPL ★★★

This includes all the JavaScript, top level functions -- all the functions.

Some global objects are only available in REPL, like the underscore phi. 3phi. 2phi 18

Two of the most important objects available in global, is process and buffer

### \* Node Process object \*

```
$ node -p "process"; less
```

The Node process object provides a "bridge" between a node application and its running environment.

- It has many useful properties.

```
$ node -p "process.versions" - to determine node version and version numbers of dependencies
```

One of the most useful properties phi. 3phi. 2phi 18

of process object is the .env, it provides the copy of the user environment, which is a list of strings you get with the env command in linux and set in windows

- It is important to remember that this is a copy so if you are modifying any of the process.env variables, you are modifying an alternative form.

\* You should not read from process.env, directly.

We usually use config stuff like api keys and passwords from the environment. And also from which ports to listen to.

"Connection Strings," database URIs' to connect to, etc.

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You should (as a best practice)  
put all of these into a config file or settings  
module, → and always read from that  
module

e.g.

```
const { config } = require ('./util');
config.port
```

a good example is to use "process.release.lets"  
to make sure that you're using a stable  
release of node like in prod.

Another thing you will be doing much of, is →  
to communicate with the environment.

And for this we use : Stdin, and stdout ~  
while stderror for writing to errors. These are  
pre-established streams, & which cannot be closed.

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The process object is an instance of the event  
emitter. Meaning we can emit events from process.  
We can also & listen to certain events on the process

★ on exit is emitted when node's event loop is done  
and has nothing else to do.

★ or when a manual call to process.exit has been executed.

```
process.on('exit', (code) => {
  // do one final sync operation, before process termination
});
```

here we can only do synchronous operations { inside this  
event handler } . you cannot use the event loop. .

. The uncaught process event is highly misused : which  
is emitted whenever a js exception is not handled  
this uncaught process event propagates up to the  
event loop. { by default, node will print the stack trace }  
and exit

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if we register a handler  
on the uncaught exception, node will not exit.  
When the process exits the event handler will be invoked

The buffer class, which is available on the global object is used heavily in node with binary streams of data. A buffer is essentially a chunk of memory allocated outside of the V8 heap. We can put some data in that memory, and that data can be interpreted in many ways. e.g. depending on a length of a character. That's why when there is a buffer, there is a character encoding. \* Because whatever we place in a buffer does not by default have any character encoding. So to read it we need to specify the encoding.

- Remember when this happened with the node test rig.
- \* When we read content from files or sockets and we don't specify an encoding - we will get back a buffer object.

a buffer is a low level data structure to represent a sequence of binary data. And unlike arrays, once a buffer is allocated it cannot be resized. ∅2. ∅2. 2∅18

- We can create a buffer in three major ways.

- Buffer.from()
- Buffer.alloc()

and Buffer.allocUnsafe()

e.g. Buffer.alloc(8) ~ will create a buffer of certain size (filled)  
while Buffer.allocUnsafe(8) will not fill the created buffer.  
.fill() To fill an unsafe buffer, use Buffer.allocUnsafe(8)  
\* Fun with buffer alloc unsafe

> Buffer.allocUnsafe(8∅∅) ~ allocates an 8∅∅ byte buffer without initialization

To read its content using `toString()` ~~ϕ2. ϕ2. 2ϕ18~~  
~~ϕ2. ϕ3. 2ϕ18~~. we will actually see some data, you may even see things that you may recognize.

- you can also create a buffer using the `from` method

```
e.g. const string = 'touche';
      const buffer = Buffer.from('touche');
      console.log(string, string.length);
      console.log(buffer, buffer.length);
```

Buffers are great for reading binary files, streaming images! An image file from a TCP stream.

★ Just like arrays and strings, you can use operations on buffers with some differences like `include`, `index of` and `slice`.

e.g. slice operation on a buffer means that the same memory space is being shared.

it is recommended to use the StringDecoder on binary input. ~~ϕ2. ϕ3. 2ϕ18~~

```
const { StringDecoder } = require('string_decoder');
const decoder = new StringDecoder('utf8');

process.stdin.on('readable', () => {
  const chunk = process.stdin.read();
  if (chunk != null) {
    const buffer = Buffer.from([chunk]);
    console.log('with .toString function:', buffer.toString());
    console.log('With StringDecoder: function', decoder.write(buffer));
  }
});
```

## Require() function and 'stuff' about modules

Modularity is a first class concept in node. You must fully understand how it works in node. φ2. φ4. 2φ18

- There are two core modules in node
- The require function - which is available at the global object. Each module gets its own require function.
- The module ~ module - which is also available on the global object. And is used to manage all the functions we use with the require function

\* Requiring a module in node is a very simple concept. To execute a require call, Node goes through a few steps.

1. Resolving
2. Loading ,
3. Wrapping
4. Evaluating
5. Caching

Resolving - to find the absolute path of a module. φ2. φ4. 2φ18

Loading = determines the content of the file at the resulting path.

Wrapping = gives every module its private scope. and what makes require local to every module.

Evaluating - is what the vm actually does with the code.

Caching - so when you 'require' again, you don't have to go through all the steps (again).

- The module object .

We require a module by loading the content of a file into memory

• Node modules have a one to one relationship with the file system.

```
$ node
> console.log(module);
{ id: 'repl',
  exports:
```



```
{ writer: { [Function: inspect] colors: [Object], styles: [Object] },
  _builtinLibs:
    [ 'assert',
      'buffer',
      'child_process',
      'cluster',
      'crypto',
      'dgram',
      'dns',
      'domain',
      'events',
      'fs',
      'http',
      'https',
      'net',
      'os',
      'path',
      'punycode',
      'querystring',
      'readline',
      'stream',
      'string_decoder',
      'tls',
      'tty',
      'url',
      'util',
      'vm',
      'zlib',
      'smalloc' ],
  REPLServer: { [Function: REPLServer] super_: [Object] },
  start: [Function],
  repl:
    { _domain: [Object],
      useGlobal: true,
      ignoreUndefined: false,
      rli: [Circular],
      eval: [Object],
      inputStream: [Object],
      outputStream: [Object],
      lines: [Object],
      context: [Object],
      _events: [Object],
      bufferedCommand: '',
      _sawReturn: true,
      domain: null,
      _maxListeners: undefined,
      output: [Object],
      input: [Object],
      completer: [Function: complete],
```

```

_initialPrompt: '> ',
_prompt: '> ',
terminal: true,
line: '',
cursor: 0,
history: [Object],
historyIndex: -1,
commands: [Object],
writer: [Function],
useColors: true,
prevRows: 0 } },
parent: undefined,
filename: 'C:\\git\\NodeJS\\coreNode\\07\\repl',
loaded: false,
children: [],
paths:
[ 'C:\\git\\NodeJS\\coreNode\\07\\repl\\node_modules',
'C:\\git\\NodeJS\\coreNode\\07\\node_modules',
'C:\\git\\NodeJS\\coreNode\\node_modules',
'C:\\git\\NodeJS\\node_modules',
'C:\\git\\node_modules',
'C:\\node_modules' ] }
undefined

```

Before we can load the content of a file into memory - we need to find the location of the file.

Node searches the node modules directory in the current working path. Node will resolve the module to the local directory.

You can also require files in a directory.

\* Circular module dependency is allowed in node. \*

In any module exports is a special object.

Also examine the loaded module ~ which node keeps false.

\* you cannot use export objects inside timers.

So what happens when module one requires module two, and module two requires module one ?

## Addons

JSON and C++ addons

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The first thing node does to resolve is any dot JS file. If it can't find a dot JS file, it will try a dot JSON file, and it will parse the file if found as a json text file. After this it will try to find a binary node file.

- Use require.json data when you need to import some static data. e.g. config or env files. If node does not find a .js or .json file, It will look for a .node file and treat it as a compiled add on module.  
e.g. on the node api page addons.html, check the hello.cc file.
- The binding file tells the compiler which file to compile, and which target file name to use for the compile module. To compile you will need the node-gyp package. npx -install -s node-gyp

★ look at require extensions →

```
require.extensions
{ '.js': [Function],
  '.json': [Function],
  '.node': [Function: dlopen] }
```

```
// hello.cc edited by Stan Alam taken from https://nodejs.org/api/addons.html
```

```
#include <node.h>
```

```
namespace demo {

using v8::FunctionCallbackInfo;
using v8::Isolate;
using v8::Local;
using v8::Object;
using v8::String;
using v8::Value;

void Method(const FunctionCallbackInfo<Value>& args) {
  Isolate* isolate = args.GetIsolate();
  args.GetReturnValue().Set(String::NewFromUtf8(isolate, "Multiverse(s")));
}

void init(Local<Object> exports) {
  NODE_SET_METHOD(exports, "hello", Method);
}
```

```

    }

  NODE_MODULE(NODE_GYP_MODULE_NAME, init)

} // namespace demo

```

try this at the node REPL

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1. > require.extensions['.js'].toString()
2. > require.extensions['.json'].toString()
3. > require.extensions['.node'].toString()
 

for 1. dot JS files, node just compiles the content  
 for 2. dot json, node uses JSON.parse(JSON.parse)  
 for 3. or for a node file, node uses process.dlopen  
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```

> require.extensions['.json'].toString()
'function (module, filename) {\n  var content = fs.readFileSync(filename,
  'utf8\n');\n  try {\n    module.exports = JSON.parse(stripBOM(content));\n  }\n  catch (e)\n  {\n    err.message = filename + ': ' + err.message;\n    throw err;\n  }\n}\n> require.extensions['.node'].toString()
'function dlopen() { [native code] }'
>

```



# Wrapping, Caching modules

Wrapping and caching Modules.

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Node's wrapping of modules is often misunderstood.  
You can use the exports object to export properties,  
but you can't replace the exports object directly.

e.g. `exports.id = 1; // this is good :-)`

`exports = { id: 1 }; // this is bad :-)`

To replace the exports object → do this

`module.exports = { id: 1 }; // groovy`

↗ But why?

When you define variables in a module scope, will  
not be available outside the module. Only what  
you export will be available. So how are variables  
scoped? while the exports module can't be replaced  
directly?

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before compiling a module node wraps the  
module code into a function, which we can inspect using  
the wrapper property of the Module (module). This function  
has three functions [ exports, require, module, \_\_filename,  
\_\_dirname ]

```
> require('module').wrapper
[ '(function (exports, require, module, __filename, __dirname) { ',
  '\n});' ]
```



The five arguments of this function \*make sure to understand how this function wrapping process works. It is what keeps the top level variables in any module scoped to that module. This is why the exports require variables appear to look global, when in fact they are specific to each module. This also pertains to the \_\_filename and \_\_dirname variables which contains the variables absolute filename and directory path. \*All these variables are simply function arguments whose values are provided to the wrap function by node.

\* exports is simply a variable reference to module dot exports. It is equivalent to doing this at the top of the module → let exports = module.exports;

\* Make sure to understand how JS object reference works!

There is really nothing special about the require module, it is a function that takes a module or path and returns the exports object. You can override the require function to do your own logic if you wish to. e.g. for testing purposes, we want every require line to be mocked by default.

```
{ require = function() {
    return { mocked: true };
}; }
```

this reassignment will suffice  
do use this → const fs = require('fs');  
you can test this by requiring any module. And then console logging that module. The output will print out the mock object by default.

```
const print = (stars, header) => {
  console.log('*'.repeat(stars));
  console.log(header);
  console.log('*'.repeat(stars));
};

// node >= 8
// or use harmony flag
```



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Lets also try using the module with the require. Which can be done by requiring the file and use whatever the file exports as a function and call that function.

e.g. `const starChild = require('./starChild');`  
`starChild('42', 'hola');`

Now determine if the file is being run as a script or if the file is being required.

→ // use this if condition

```
if (require.main === module) {  
}
```

\* When this if statement is reached, i.e when we run this as a script, the condition will be true.

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you can also add an else to  
see if the script is being required  
by other files.

be In such a case, change the exports object to

e.g. `... print(process.argv[2], process.argv[3]);`

```
} else {  
    // being, here required  
    module.exports = print;
```

This } should now work directly from the command line, and when you run a node script that requires your custom function.

Caching : is very important to understand. φ2. φ8. 2φ18

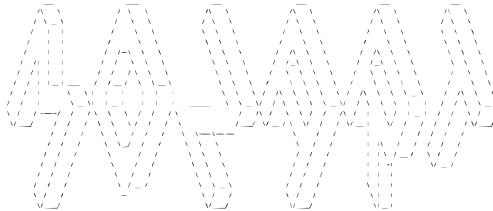
e.g. a simple demonstration > require('./ascii-art');  
Let's say you require this ascii art module, which prints an ascii banner. e.g. "Mozart"

If you require the ascii module twice, it will still print once i.e. the header "Mozart." You can print out the full path of the cache, like so → console.log(require.cache); and you can also delete the whole path. e.g.

delete require.cache ['/Users/stan/ascii-art.js']

then node will reload the module twice.

It is more efficient to wrap the log line in a function - and export that function. This way when we require the function, the function will execute the console.log statement.



## VPM φ2. φ8. 2φ18

"know your npm"

There are a lot of great things you can do with npm.

\* first of all npm is not really part of node.

It just comes packaged with node. "It's quite popular among the node community. Then there is drum roll... (Yarn) by facebook, facebook claims to be a lot faster than npm. "Which is probably true."

\* Two important things to consider with npm, i.e. npm cli, and the npm registry.

\* The npm cli can work with different registries. npm cli can also be used with git repos directly.

e.g. lets say you wish to install the express module directly.

↳ npm i expressjs/express

You can fetch the head of the latest commit using, (npm ls)

↑ the name of the repo

If you want to check what package  $\phi 2.12.2\phi 18$   
 npm will install without actually  
 installing, use 'the dry-run command param.'

→ \$ npm -i --dry-run \* This will only report what  
 will be installed.

\$ npm ls -g \* Will list all top level packages  
 and their dependencies, which will be a very big tree  
 to view.

\$ npm ls -g --depth=0 \* This shows only the  
 first level of the tree.  
 \* you can also use the ll command instead of ls

\$ npm ll -g --depth=0 \* This shows the  
 description and more

\$ npm ls -g --depth=0 --json information about the  
 package.

→ \* This will parse the output in JSON  
 in the case you wish to run from a program.

$\phi 2.12.2\phi 18$   
 If you wish to install all your dependencies locally  
 you can create your own node\_modules folder.  
 However, just use the package JSON. Which will  
 instruct npm to manage dependencies in a local node  
 modules folder. The bare-min that should be included  
 in package JSON → should be name and version number  
 using the standard semantic versioning.

\* If you are installing a dependency, you should  
 document it in package JSON. \* you can document  
 it in three main categories

If you use \$ npm -i -S { The capital "S" will  
 be considered a production dependency. The -D flag will be considered as  
 a dev dependency. If you use the -O, it will  
 be considered an optional dependency.

\* For optional dependencies, the code will check for  
 their existence, and only use them if they are installed

You can see how all these "commands" are documented  
 in the package JSON

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use the npm update to update a single package or all packages, if the package name is not provided. There is a version range specified in package JSON \* The update command will work according to that. The version range is specified by an operator and version, the operator will be greater than or lesser than. The "=" operator is the default operator if no operator is specified. You can use a star or  $\underline{x}$  to represent a whole range for that level. e.g. "request": "4.2∅.\*" Using the tilda works like an  $\underline{x}$  does at the last level, but only when the  $\underline{x}$  is greater than what is specified. \* e.g. "request": " $\sim$ 1.2.3...")

→ is the same as 1.2.3 $\underline{x}$   
 But as long as  $\underline{x}$  is greater than or equal to (3)  
 So for the range  $\sim$ 1.2 ... 1.2. $\underline{x}$  for all  $\underline{x}$  greater than or equal to 0  
 . There is also the  $\wedge$  operator which works well with packages less than 1.0. Because it allows changes that do not modify the left most non-zero digit in the center array?

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To update the npm cli itself, using npm itself → do this  $\$ \underbrace{\text{npm i npm -g}}_{\text{npm}}$ , which will update npm itself.

\* To check for outdated packages do this →  $\$ \text{npm outdated -g}$

$\$ \text{npm config list -l}$  has a lot of configurations we can control →

\*  $\$ \text{npm config set save true}$ ; is also very important  
 "  $\star$  This will make install always use the "-- flag"

Searching the npm registry, use the  $\$ \text{npm search lint}$

\* npm shrinkwrap ⇒ locks down all dependency versions. This way anyone who installs using your package.json → she/he will be getting all the package where version numbers are frozen.

Some groovy npm tricks      02.14.2018

- ↳ like npm home command, \$ npm home lodash will open the web page for lodash, there is also npm repo lodash, which will open the repository page of the package
- \* If you have packages installed in node modules but are not saved to package.json, you manually installed without an entry to package.json, you can clean it up using the \$ npm prune { command }

Also some easter eggs : like \$ npm visnup, or xmas

## Concurrency Model and Event Loop

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What is I/O, every one knows it      02.14.2018  
means Input output ... but what does it really mean?

I/O is used to label a communication between a process in a computer CPU and anything external to that CPU, this will include memory, disk, network and even other processes. These processes communicate with signals or messages. When signals are received by the process ~ they are input, & outbound messages / signals are output. Almost all operations that occur in a computer are I/O. However, we should be explicit → when discussing Node's Architecture, in this context, Node use of I/O refers to access of disk and network resources. This is the most time expensive part of all operations. ★ Node's event loop comes from the understanding of this dilemma.

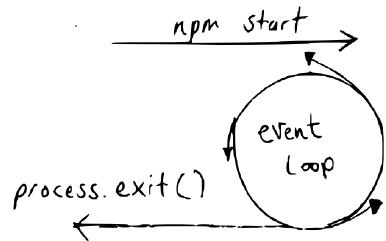
Requests can be handled by Sync, or fork() ← but fork does not "scale" ★ Threads, single threaded "framework tech" have less overhead. Apache is multi-threaded, while Nginx is not.

definition of the event loop

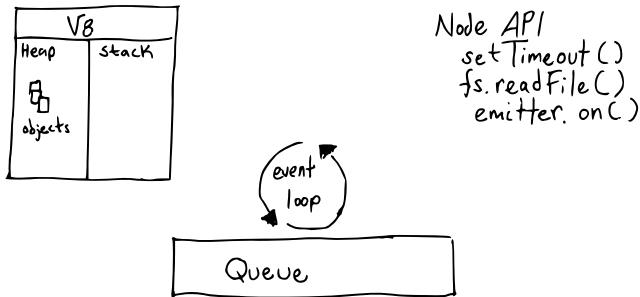
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↳ is an entity that handles external events and converts them into callback invocations.

Here is another definition : A loop that picks events from the event queue and pushes their callbacks to the callstack. To understand the event loop you should understand the data structures that are involved with the event loop.



Again the most important thing to learn is the callback and the concurrency model. Just like Ruby's event Machine, or Python's twisted. Node uses the event loop. The event loop is automatically started when you execute the node script. Node will exit the event loop when all callbacks are exhausted. The chrome browser has a similar mechanism. To understand the event loop.



So V8 has this thing called stack ... it also has a heap. the heap is where objects are stored in memory. It is the memory that is allocated by the VM for "various" tasks. When you invoke a function an area of the heap is allocated to act as a local scope for that function.

Both the stack and the heap are part of the runtime engine \* and not node itself \* Node provides timers (i.e. APIs) emitters - wrappers around OS operations. It also provides event queue and the event loop using the libuv library. \* Remember that the libuv library provides node with the event loop. \* The event loop works between the event Queue and the callstack.

+ The call stack : F,Fo : The first element we can pop out of the stack is the first element we have pushed it into it. In the case of the V8 call stack these elements are functions . Since JavaScript is single threaded it can only execute one function at a time. If the stack is executing something on a single thread nothing else will happen on that thread.

\* When we call multiple functions that call each other we naturally create a stack. Then we backtrack the function invocation - all the way back to the first caller. \* If you wish to implement recursion, without recursion (recursive)

you will need to use the stacks. i.e a normal recursive function will use a function anyway.

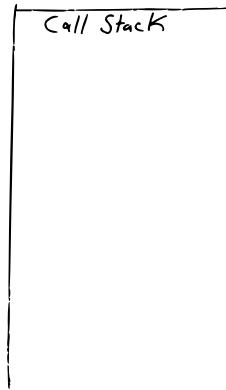
Let's look at the stack, when we call a function (i.e. look into the stack)

three simple functions

```

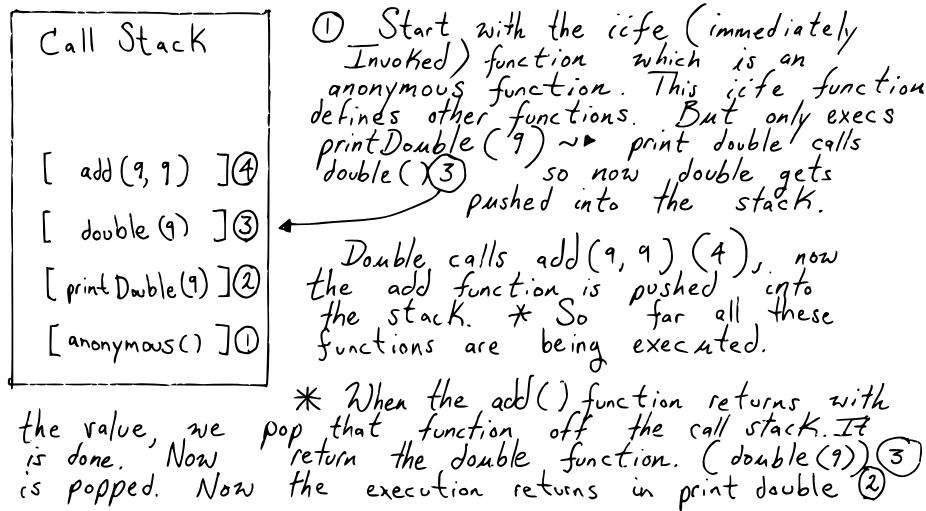
const add = (a, b) => a + b;
const double = a =>
  add(a, a);
const printDouble = a => {
  const output = double(a);
  console.log(output);
};
printDouble(9);
  
```

printDouble() calls double



\* all these functions are wrapped in an immediately invoked function expression.

V8 uses the stack to record where it is executing. Everytime we step into a function it gets pushed into the stack, and every time we return from a function it gets popped out of the stack. p2. 18. 2018



When we execute ② => print double p2. 18. 2018  
 we also execute the console.log (explicitly) which will now return the function (2) and thus popped from the stack. And finally the anonymous ife is also popped out. Notice how that every time a function is added to the stack its arguments and local variables are added to the stack { in that same level }

- The stack frame is the definition of the function and its local variables on the stack.

Every time you get an error, the console will show the call-stack. If you try making a function call itself and succeed, you will cause an infinite loop on the call stack. This means you will be continuing to push the function on the call-stack until the V8 engine is out of memory.

\* Maximum callstack size, exceeded.

16. ★ Handling Slow Operations \* - as long as the operations executed on the stack is handled fast then Single Threaded is A-ok!!!! But however when we start dealing with slow operations

## Handling Slow operations - cont -

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--> will block the execution. I repeat Slow operations will block the operations. \* Guess what you can still block operations on node ... e.g.

```
const slowAdd = (a, b) => {
  for(let i=0; i < 999999999; i++) {}
  return a + b;
};
```

like this slow add function. So what happens to the call stack when we execute a bunch of slow processing functions? It just takes more time. This style of programming goes against Ethos. This is blocking programming. Node's event loop has been created to prevent this style of programming.

So How do Callbacks actually work ???

Everyone knows that Node's API's are designed around callbacks. We pass functions to other functions as arguments. \* Then those argument functions get executed at a later time somehow?

Now look at this

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```
const slowAdd = (a, b) => {
  setTimeout(() => {
    console.log(a + b);
  }, 5000);
};

slowAdd(3, 3);
slowAdd(4, 4);
```

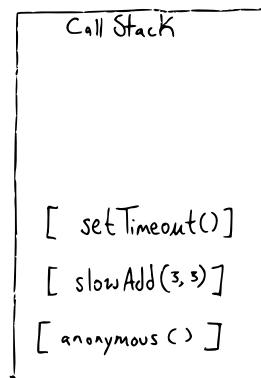
here we make sure our function has a set time out of 5,000 milliseconds  
that right there is our callback !!!!!!!

① the anonymous() function gets called

② The slowAdd(3, 3) gets called,

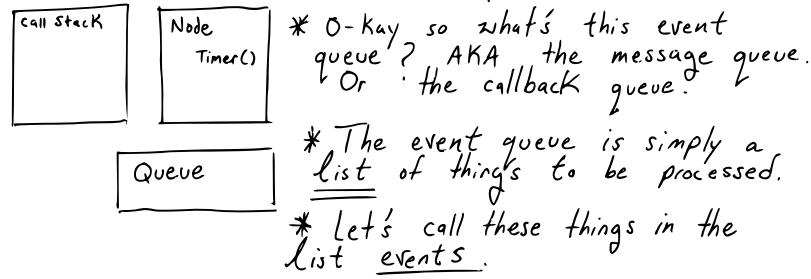
③ The setTimeout() gets called, gets pushed to the stack, but gets popped out of the stack

④ now slowAdd(3, 3) gets popped out



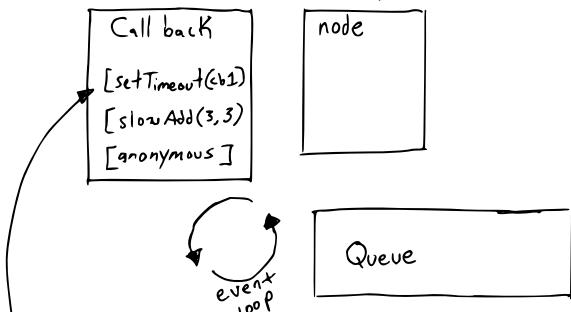
\* The setTimeout gets popped off quickly because it has no args.

Then somehow `console.log(6)` gets executed ∅2.18.2∅17  
 thus pushed to the stack to be executed.  
 and after that `console.log(8)` gets executed and pushed  
 to the stack. The `setTimeout` is not  
 part of V8. It is provided by node itself, just as  
 it is provided by browsers too. \* It is wired in a  
 way to use the event loop asynchronously. \* This is  
 to why it behaves more strangely on the callstack.



When we store an event on the queue, we sometimes store a plain old function on it. This function is the good ol' callback. Again as a reminder a queue data structure is a FIFO. So this means that the first event that gets queued is the first event to be dequeued.

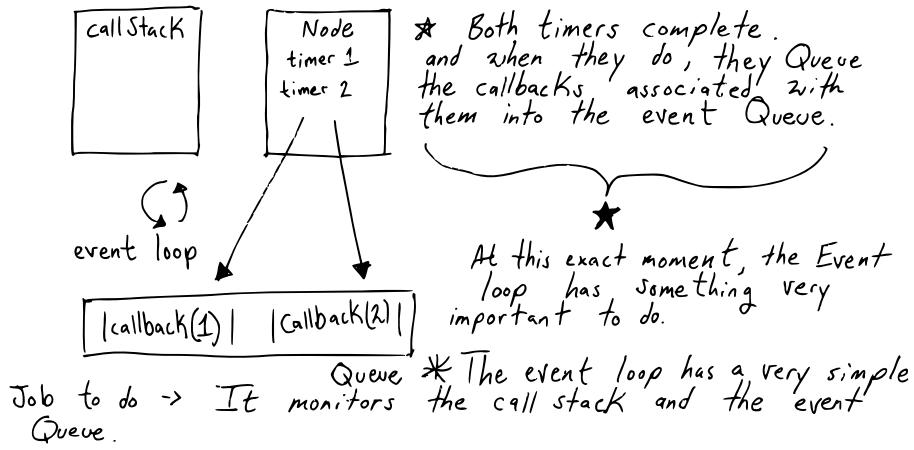
To dequeue and process the event from the event Q ∅2.18.2∅18  
 we just invoke the function associated with it. (The last event... pushes the function to the stack.)



So let's start with the anonymous function (1) it pushes `slowAdd(3,3)` to the callstack, which in turn pushes `setTimeout(callback 1, delay of 5 secs)` to the stack

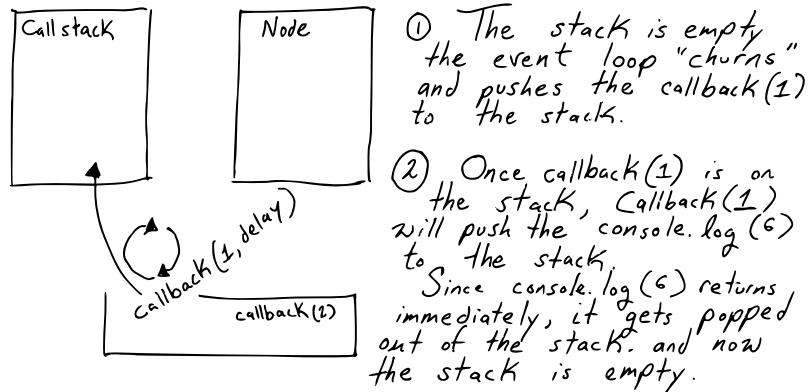
\* note the `setTimeout()` functions are anonymous functions. At this point node sees a call to its `setTimeOut` api, takes note of it, and instantiates a timer outside of the JavaScript Runtime.

The `setTimeout` function will be called φ2.19.2φ18 and done; thus popped off the stack. — And while the node timer is running. The stack is free to process its items. It pops `slowAdd(3, 3)` and pushes `slowAdd(4, 4)`, which in turn pushes `setTimeout(callback2, delay)`. Node will now kick off another timer for the new timeout call, and the stack continues to pop its done functions.



When the stack is empty and the queue is not empty. There are events to be processed in the Queue. The event loop will dequeue one event from the queue and push its callback to the stack.

\* This is why it's called the event loop. It loops this logic until the event Queue is empty.



So now the stack is empty.)

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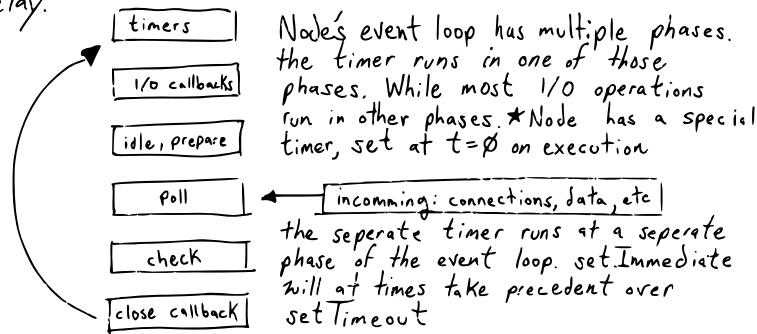
This means that the event loop is gonna churn all over again. It pushes the callback  $f(2)$  function to the stack from the queue. Thus  $callback(2)$  now pushes `console.log(8)` to the stack. This is done at once and is returned, thus it is popped off the stack and subsequently the callback is also returned and popped off the stack. This brings the whole machinery, i.e. the callStack, the Event loop along with the event Queue and node to an idle state.

\* Node will now exit the process when we reach this state. \*

Believe it or not, \* all node processes work this way. i.e. Some process will go handle a certain I/O asynchronously while keeping track of a callback. When it is done it will queue.

→ the callback into the event Queue. Remember this any "slow" code will block the event loop. Also be mindful → too many events in the queue could undermine the queue. This is important to understand"

18. So what happens when the timer delay is 0 seconds, almost the same thing happens. The timers are not executed after 0 seconds but rather after the stack is empty. So if there is a slow operation on the stack those operations have to wait. This means the delay we have in the timer is not the time we have for execution, \* but rather a min time to execution. The timer will execute at the min of this delay.



```

const fs = require('fs');

fs.readFile(__filename, () => {
  setTimeout(() => {
    console.log('execute timeout');
  }, 0); //set timeout is at 0 milliseconds
  setImmediate(() => {
    console.log('execute setImmediate');
  });
});
  
```



```
/*
$ node setImmediate.js
execute setImmediate
execute setTimeout
$ */
*/
```

important thing to remember → *setImmediate* can "top" the zero timeout. Ø2.21. 20/8

\* When you want something to be executed on the next tick of the event loop → Node has `process.nextTick` api which is very similar to `setImmediate`, but node does NOT actually execute its callback on the next tick of the event loop. `process.nextTick` is not actually part of the event loop. And `process.nextTick` does not care about the phases of the event loop. Node processes the callbacks registered by the `process.nextTick`, after the current operation completes, and before the event loop continues. This can be useful but also dangerous! \* when using `process.nextTick` recursively.

One good example for using `process.nextTick` is for making a standard function contract, e.g.

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

function fileSize (fileName, mycallback) {
  if (typeof fileName !== 'string') {
    return mycallback(new TypeError('argument should have been a string'));
  }

  fs.stat(fileName, (err, stats) => {
    if(err) {
      return mycallback(err);
    }

    mycallback(null, stats.size);
  });
}

fileSize(__filename, (err, size) => {
  if (err) throw err;

  console.log(`Size in KB: ${size/1024}`);
});

console.log('Hello, Multiverse!');
```

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So let's take a look at the standard function contract on line 5 in the `nextTick.js` script, the `filesize` function receives a file name arg and a callback. It first makes sure that the file name argument is a string. And it executes the callback with an error if the argument is not a string. Then it executes the `fs.stat` function on line 8, and it executes the callback with the file size. i.e. line 17, where the filesize is logged. 17. `fileSize(..filename, (err, size) =>`

- Now if you execute the script with the filename, it will return "Hello, Multiverse" and the file size. However if you replace `_filename`, on line 17 in the `fileSize` function with a number or some other character, the script will error out as expected. But it will not print "Hello, Multiverse!" That's because you have synchronous and async code in `nextTick.js`.

\* \* \* This is bad design

case in point our old hub-node test rig.

So you know how this code ran sync-  
and async \* Don't write code with both sync and  
async operations, now you got that! A function should  
always be sync or async - no duality. We can fix it  
like so ...

```
function fileSize(filename, mycallback) {
  if (typeof fileName != 'string') {
    return process.nextTick(
      mycallback,
      new TypeError('argument should have been...
        ... String'));
  }
}
```

Now the `fileSize` function will always be async

## Node's Common Built-in Modules

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The original way node handled async calls, was with callbacks \* This was a long time ago. -- This was before Java Script had native promises support and the `async/await` feature. Callbacks, again are just functions you can pass to other functions, you can do something like that in C++ using pointers.

Callback != Async Code ~ callbacks do not indicate async code. \* Remember how you used `process.nextTick` to handle async operations, written with callbacks. Look at this example ...

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



```

const readFileAsArray = function(file, callback) {
  fs.readFile(file, function(err, data) {
    if (err) {
      return callback(error);
    }

    const lines = data.toString().trim().split('\n');
    callback(null, lines);
  });
};

readFileAsArray('./numbers', (err, lines) => {
  if (err) throw err;

  const numbers = lines.map(Number);
  const oddNumbers = numbers.filter(number => number % 2 === 1);
  console.log('odd number count is : ', oddNumbers.length);
});

```

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readFileAsArray, takes a file path and a  
 callback, at fs.readFile(file....) { or line 4 in src file  
 takes the file and reads it. The function then splits the  
 file into an array of strings, and then call the callback  
 with that array. e.g. Say you have a file that  
 has only numbers, parse those numbers into an array. (The  
 numbers in the file are strings) after parsing into an  
 array, count the odd numbers. This is just one  
 example of using read file as an array. This is  
 a good example of node's callback style. The first  
 argument is an error, aka error first argument that's  
 nullable, and we pass the callback as the last  
 argument of the host function ★ Always do this  
 with your functions because node devs will always  
 assume this. i.e. function(err, data){  
 if (err){  
 return callback(err);  
 }
}

Modern JavaScript ⇒ has promises ~ which are known  
 as an alternative to callbacks for async apis. Instead  
 of passing callback as an argument and handling the  
 error in the same place. A promise object  
 allows the dev to handle success and error cases

~ Separately, and allows to chain  
 async calls instead of nesting them as in  
 callbacks. #2. 28. 2018

```

const fs = require('fs');

const readFileAsArray = function(file) {

```

```

return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
  fs.readFile(file, function(err, data) {
    if(err) {
      return reject(err);
    }

    const lines = data.toString().trim().split('\n');
    resolve(lines);
  });
});

// here's where you make the call
readFileAsArray('./numbers').then(lines => {
  const numbers = lines.map(Number);
  const oddNumbers = numbers.filter(number => number % 2 === 1);
  console.log('odd numbers count:', oddNumbers.length);
})
.catch(console.error);

```

As you can see, instead of using  $\phi 3. \phi 2. 2 \phi 18$   
 i.e. passing the callback as the last argument  
 to the function `readFileAsArray()`, use the dot then  
 call on it. such as →  
`readFileAsArray('./numbers')`  
 `.then(lines => {`  
 `x x x`  
 `x x x`  
 `})`

here you can do the same processing as you did with the  
 callback example. i.e. in the body of the dot then  
 call. You will also add the error handling using  
 the dot catch, on the result to log the error.

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`readFileAsArray('./numbers').then(lines => {`  
 `x x x x`  
`}).catch(console.error);`  
 [2]

Now to get the host function to work with this code you will have to return a promise object. This promise object wraps the fs.readFile async call. The promise object exposes two functions. i.e a resolve and a reject

```
return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
  fs.readFile(file, function(err, data) {
    if (err) {
      return reject(err) // used to be)
```

→ return callback(err)

and also the success callback, i.e.

```
: const lines = data.toString().trim().split('\n');
callback(null, lines);
↑
will be replaced with
resolve(lines)
```

as you can see the callbacks are just being replaced with promises

at line 3, you can see that the callback is no longer used. i.e

```
const readFileSync = function(file, callback) {
  ↗
  i.e. you can expunge it
```

The program will now work the same as the original. You can agree that the code is easier to understand and work with ★ Node "official decree" is to use callbacks ★

You can use promises along with the callback interfaces. i.e. just add promise object(s). This means within the example you will have to use a default empty argument -> such as this (on line 3)

```
const readFileSync = function(file, callback = () => {}) {
```

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



```
const readFileSync = function(file, callback = () => {}) { // notice the emp
  return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
    fs.readFile(file, function(err, data) {
      if (err) {
        reject(err);
        return callback(err); // you can see you're still returning, this time
      }

      const lines = data.toString().trim().split('\n');
```

```

        resolve(lines);
        callback(null, lines);
    });
});

// here's where you make the call
readFileAsArray('./numbers').then(lines => {
    const numbers = lines.map(Number);
    const oddNumbers = numbers.filter(number => number % 2 === 1);
    console.log('odd numbers count:', oddNumbers.length);
})
.catch(console.error);

```

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Adding promises makes code easier to work with - especially when there is a need to loop over async functions. Callbacks can become messy. However, you can name your callback functions, use promises or use function generators.

★★★ Async function ★★★ ~ a new alternative that's hip. It allows you to treat async code in more linear fashion. Making it more readable when you need to process loops. Use the harmony flag.

Now to use the async function begin the function definition with the `async` keyword before the function name. It is important to understand how `await` works with `async`.

But to work with errors, you will have to wrap everything in a try catch block.

To execute this code run like so →

\$ node --harmony-async-await filename.js

```

async function countEven() {
    // (%) is the modulus operator, it will let you have the remainder of place/s
    try {
        const lines = await readFileAsArray('./numbers');
        const numbers = lines.map(Number);
        const evenCount = numbers.filter(number => number % 2 !== 1).length
        console.log('even number count is : ', evenCount);
    } catch(err) {
        console.error(err);
    }
}

```

```
countEven(); // wow! async code running synchronously ... good for test automa
```

## The Event Emitter

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The event emitter is a module that facilitates communication between objects in node. ★ Event emitter is at the core of node's async driven architecture ★ Many of Node's built in modules inherit from event emitter ★

★ Emitter objects emit named events that cause listeners to be called ★ An emitter object has two main features.

- ① emitting main events
- ② registering listener functions

① logger.emit('event');

② logger.on('event', listenerFunc);

(A) ★ To work with eventEmitter, create a class that extends eventEmitter ★

(B) Emitter objects is instantiated from eventEmitter classes

(C) At any point in their lifecycle, you can use the emit function to emit any named event.

★ Emitting an event is a signal φ3. φ3. 2φ18 that some condition has occurred. This condition is usually a change of state (state change) in the emitting object. ★

listener functions are added using the on() method.

e.g.  
logger.emit('event');

logger.on('event', listenerFunc);

Now the listener function will be executed everytime the eventEmitter object emits an associated name event.

e.g.

```
//sync_event.js
const EventEmitter = require('events');

class Logger extends EventEmitter {
  execute(theTask) {
    console.log('State before execution');
    this.emit('Begin');
    theTask();
    this.emit('fin');
    console.log('State after execution');
```



```
        }
    }

    const logger = new Logger();

    logger.on('begin', () => console.log('About to execute'));
    logger.on('end', () => console.log('Done with executing'));

    logger.execute(() => console.log('***** execute task *****'));
```

## Shell Output

```
$ node sync_event.js
State before execution
***** execute task *****
State after execution
```



Notice that the execution of sync\_event.js is synchronous.

```
//sync_event2.js
const EventEmitter = require('events');

class Logger extends EventEmitter {
    execute(theTask) {
        console.log('State before execution');
        this.emit('Begin');
        theTask();
        this.emit('fin');
        console.log('State after execution');
    }
}

const logger = new Logger();

logger.on('begin', () => console.log('About to execute'));
logger.on('end', () => console.log('Done with executing'));

logger.execute(() => setTimeout(
    () => console.log('***** execute task ***** '),
    1000
));
```



## Event - Emitter - cont in...

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One benefit of using Event Emitters over callbacks is that you can react to the same signal multiple times, i.e. by defining multiple listeners. Callbacks would require more logic inside the single available callback.

\* Events are a great way for node applications to allow multiple external pluggins to build functionality on top of the application's core. Think of them as hook points that allows for customizing the story around a state change.

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

class ElapsedTime extends EventEmitter {
  execute(asyncFunc, ...args) {
    console.time('execute');
    this.emit('begin');
    asyncFunc(...args, (err, data) => {
      if(err) {
        return this.emit('error', err);
      }

      this.emit('data', data);
      console.timeEnd('execute');
      this.emit('end');
    });
  }
}

const elapsedTime = new ElapsedTime();

elapsedTime.on('begin', () => console.log('ready to exec'));
elapsedTime.on('end', () => console.log('completed execution'));

elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, __filename);
```



## Shell Output

```
$ node async_event.js
ready to exec
execute: 47.151ms
completed execution
```



The ElapsedTime() function in the above example demonstrates the execution of an `async` function and reports the time taken by the `async` function i.e. `console.timeEnd('execute');`. You can see that it emits the correct sequence of events i.e. before and after execution ... and it also emits data error events to work with `async` signals "callbacks".  
 at `elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, --filename);` flattening the arguments of an `async` method. Instead of handling data with callbacks, the app listens to the data through events.

\* Notice that there are two events being emitted.

① is the error event

`if (err) { return this.emit('error', err); }`  
 the said error event is emitted with an error object

② while the data event is emitted with a data object.  
`this.emit('data', data);`

\* This means we can use as many arguments as we wish, after the named event. And all these arguments will be available inside the listener function.

1. e.g. to work with the data event, register a listener function that should get access to the data argument φ3. φ4. 2φ18

`elapsedTime.on('data', (data) => {  
 console.log(`Length: ${data.length}`);  
});`

`elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, --filename);`

That is passed to the emitted event

This means that is the data the `readFile` exposes.

2. The other special event is the error event. So why is it special? \* Because if you don't handle it with a listener the node process will exit.

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

class ElapsedTime extends EventEmitter {
  execute(asyncFunc, ...args) {
    console.time('execute');
    this.emit('begin');
    asyncFunc(...args, (err, data) => {
      if(err) {
        return this.emit('error', err);
      }
    })
  }
}
```



```

        this.emit('data', data);
        console.timeEnd('execute');
        this.emit('end');
    });
}
}

const elapsedTime = new ElapsedTime();

elapsedTime.on('data', (data) => {
    console.log(`Length: ${data.length}`);
});
elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, __filename);

```

## Shell Output

```
$ node async_event2.js
Length: 571
execute: 3.550ms
```

Modify the `async_event2.js` to error out. Do this by adding an invalid statement ↳ `elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, '');` // notice that the `elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, __filename);` // first call // is going to // crash.

```

const fs = require('fs');
const EventEmitter = require('events');

class ElapsedTime extends EventEmitter {
    execute(asyncFunc, ...args) {
        console.time('execute');
        this.emit('begin');
        asyncFunc(...args, (err, data) => {
            if(err) {
                return this.emit('error', err);
            }

            this.emit('data', data);
            console.timeEnd('execute');
            this.emit('end');
        });
    }
}
```

```

        }
    }

const elapsedTime = new ElapsedTime();

elapsedTime.on('data', (data) => {
    console.log(`Length: ${data.length}`);
});

elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, ''); //notice blank in argument, will crash
elapsedTime.execute(fs.readFile, __filename);

```

To prevent the node process from crashing and exiting. You will need to register a listener i.e. for the special error event. Ø3. Ø4. 2Ø18

By doing so, the error will be reported and both lines will be executed. \* This will prevent the node Test framework from crashing and stalling as it did with A.'s design. \*

The other method for handling errors is by listening to the unhandled process event.

So in the case of the Node-Test-Framework, we could have inserted a block of code to "clean up" before the process.exit(1); i.e to exit to the OS.

\* But what happens when multiple error events occur? this would mean that the uncaughtException listener will be triggered multiple times. \*

\* This could pose a serious problem for the cleanup code block \* You can mitigate this problem by using the .once method on the event listener.

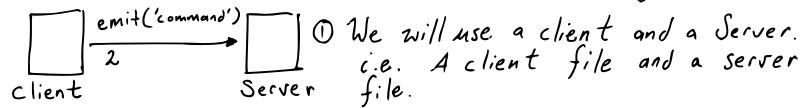
If the dev chooses to register multiple event listeners for the same event then the invocations for those listeners should be in order. \* The first listener that is registered will be the first to be invoked. Ø3. Ø4. 2Ø18

The prependListener() method - if you have a need to define a new listener - but have that listener invoked first, then just use the prependListener() method

If you wish to remove a listener method, then you can use the obj.removeListener() method.

You can't get through JavaScript without the compulsory Task list. ⚡️. ⚡️. ⚡️.

So let's create one with node !!! using node's event emitter. A simple task list manager.



② The client emits a command event to the server



So let's create some commands for the client.

- [1. Help]
- [2. ls]
- [3. add]
- [4. delete]

```

const EventEmitter = require('events');

class Server extends EventEmitter {
  constructor(client) { //define the constructor to receive the client *within
    super();
  }
}

//created a function not just an object
module.exports = (client) => new Server(client); // Server(client) instantiate
//the function (client) is going to receive the client
  
```

```

//client
const EventEmitter = require('events');
const readline = require('readline');

const rl = readline.createInterface({
  input: process.stdin, output:process.stdout
});

//client event emmitter
const client = new EventEmitter(); //instantiate an object directly from Event
const server = require('./server')(client); //import server object
/* the client is going to emit events, while
the server is going to listen to those events
*/
  
```

```
rl.on('line', (input) => { //here register a listener for the line event, that
});
```

```
//client with latest update to read input from cli and echo input with readline
const EventEmitter = require('events');
const readline = require('readline');

const rl = readline.createInterface({
  input: process.stdin,
  output: process.stdout
});

//client event emmitter
const client = new EventEmitter(); //instantiate an object directly from Event
const server = require('./server')(client); //import server object, also expor
/* the client is going to emit events, while
the server is going to listen to those events
*/
//use the readline interInterface
rl.on('line', (input) => { //here register a listener for the line event, that
  console.log(input); //log the input line, to test the client
});
```



```
//output
$ node client.js
yo
yo
```

```
const EventEmitter = require('events');
const readline = require('readline');

const rl = readline.createInterface({
  input: process.stdin,
  output: process.stdout
});

//client event emmitter
const client = new EventEmitter(); //instantiate an object directly from Event
const server = require('./server')(client); //import server object
/* the client is going to emit events, while
```

```
the server is going to listen to those events
*/
//use the readline interInterface
rl.on('line', (input) => { //here register a listener for the line event, that
  client.emit('command', input); // now everytime the user presses ENTER,
}); // the client is going to emit an input EVENT to the server
```

**The idea is to enter a value such as 'help' which is the command value and the Server will read and respond accordingly.**

```
// client is able to clear the terminal when a command is entered
// client echos the command, and the correct command too. from the server
const EventEmitter = require('events');
const readline = require('readline');

const rl = readline.createInterface({
  input: process.stdin,
  output: process.stdout
});

//client event emmitter
const client = new EventEmitter(); //instantiate an object directly from Event
const server = require('./server')(client); //import server object
/* the client is going to emit events, while
the server is going to listen to those events
*/
server.on('response', (resp) => { //when the server emits a response event, th
  //console.log(`Response: ${resp}`);
  process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //clear terminal
  process.stdout.write(resp);
  process.stdout.write('\n>');
});
//use the readline interInterface
rl.on('line', (input) => { //here register a listener for the line event, that
  client.emit('command', input); // now everytime the user presses ENTER,
}); // the client is going to emit an input EVENT to the server
```

## Server is able to take four commands and echo invalid commands

```
//server is able to handle four commands, and update accordingly, also can han
const EventEmitter = require('events');

class Server extends EventEmitter {
```

```

constructor(client) { //define the constructor to receive the client *within
  super();
  client.on('command', (command) => {
    console.log(`Command: ${command}`);
    switch(command) {
      case 'help':
      case 'add':
      case 'del':
      case 'ls':
        this[command]();
        break;
      default: // case in which is unknown command
        this.emit('response', 'unknown command:' + `${command}`);
    }
    // help, add, del, ls
  });
}

help() { //create an instance method for each command
  this.emit('response', 'help is on the way ...');
}

add() {
  this.emit('response', 'adding ...');
}

del() {
  this.emit('response', 'deleting ...');
}

ls(){
  this.emit('response', 'ls-ing...');

}

//created a function not just an object
module.exports = (client) => new Server(client); // Server(client) instantiate
//the function (client) is going to receive the client

```

```

//terminal output
$ node client.js
help is on the way ...
>

```



## Server

```

//complete server.js
const EventEmitter = require('events');

```



```
class Server extends EventEmitter {
  constructor(client) { //define the constructor to receive the client *with
    super();
    //this.emit('response', 'Welcome -- enter a command or help for list o
    /* this.emit does not work because it will be executed when
    const server = require('./server)(client) in client.js will be executed
    This is the sequential order, so the handler of the reponse event is
    */
    this.tasks = {}; //task object to hold task info
    this.taskId = 1; //task Id to keep track of number tasks starting at 1
    process.nextTick(() => {
      this.emit('response', 'Welcome - type a command or enter help for
    });
    client.on('command', (command, args) => { //now server can accept a co
      console.log(`Command: ${command}`);
      switch (command) {
        case 'help':
        case 'add':
        case 'del':
        case 'ls':
          this[command](args); // NOW THE ARRAY OF ARGS CAN BE PASSE
          break;
        default: // case in which is unknown command
          this.emit('response', `unknown command: ' + ${command}`);
      }
      // help, add, del, ls
    });
  }

  tasksString() {
    return Object.keys(this.tasks).map(key => { //loop over key, return task
      return `${key}: ${this.tasks[key]}`;
    }).join('\n');
  }

  help() { //create an instance method for each command
    this.emit('response', `Available commands:
      add, del {id}, ls`);
  }

  add(args) {
    this.tasks[this.taskId] = args.join(' '); // each task is now added t
    this.emit('response', `Added task ${this.taskId}`); //emit the number
    this.taskId++;
  }

  del() {
    delete(this.tasks[args[0]]); //for deleting the task, delete the id ind
    this.emit('response', `Deleting task ${args[0]}`); //print to console t
  }
}
```

```
ls() {
    this.emit('response', `List of Tasks\n${this.tasksString()}`);
}
//created a function not just an object
module.exports = (client) => new Server(client); // Server(client) instantiate
//the function (client) is going to receive the client
```

## Client

```
//complete client
const EventEmitter = require('events');
const readline = require('readline');

const rl = readline.createInterface({
    input: process.stdin,
    output: process.stdout
});

//client event emmitter
const client = new EventEmitter(); //instantiate an object directly from Event
const server = require('./server')(client); //import server object
/* the client is going to emit events, while
the server is going to listen to those events
*/
server.on('response', (resp) => { //when the server emits a response event, th
    //console.log(`Response: ${resp}`);
    process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //clear terminal
    process.stdout.write(resp);
    process.stdout.write('\n>');
});
//use the readline interInterface
let command, args;
rl.on('line', (input) => { //here register a listener for the line event, that
    [command, ...args] = input.split(' '); //split on space, the first "token" w
    client.emit('command', command, args); //pass both command and argument, it
}); // the client is going to emit an input EVENT to the server
```

# Node Networking

Networking with Node !

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\* We're gonna create a network server node, albeit, somewhat basic. Begin by using the Net's module "create Server" method, ,,, and so on ...

- ① use "Create Server" method, from Net module
- ② register a connection handler that will fire each time a client connects to the server.
  - \* When this happens → console.log that the client has connected.
  - \* The handler should also give access to connected socket \*
- ③ The socket object implements a duplex stream interface, i.e you can read/write to it.
- ④ to run the server → allow it to listen to a port, create a callback to confirm that the server is listening to the designated port.

```
process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //again clear node terminal
```



```
const server = require('net').createServer(); // here use the createServer met

server.on('connection', socket => {
  console.log('Client is connected!');
  socket.write('Welcome!');
});

server.listen(3000, () => console.log('I am Server'));
```



The socket is a duplex stream i.e. it is also an event emitter. (03.21.2018)

⑤ Register a handler to read from the socket.  
You can listen to the data event on the socket.  
The handler to the event gives access to the buffer object. i.e.

```
{ socket.on('data', data => {
    console.log('data is', data);
}); }
```

This will allow the client to type something, which will be given to the server as a buffer.  
★ Node does not assume anything about encoding

[6.] Now echo the data back to the client  
use socket.write

\* The write method on the socket assumes 'utf-8' encoding as default.

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you can use a 2nd argument to control the encoding (mind the default is 'utf-8')

You can also set the global encoding for socket.

e.g. socket.setEncoding('utf-8');

this means that the buffer object data is

```
socket.on('data', data => {
    console.log('data is', data); })
```

is now a string object instead of a buffer object.

To write the logic for allowing the client to disconnect in a "graceful" manner, implement

```
socket.on('end', () => {
    console.log('client disconnected'); })
```

This way, the .on method is triggered when the client disconnects.

```
process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //again clear node terminal
```



```
const server = require('net').createServer(); // here use the createServer met
```

```
server.on('connection', socket => {
    console.log('Client is connected!');
    socket.write('Welcome!\n');
```

```

socket.on('data', data => {
  console.log('data is', data);
  socket.write('data is ');
  socket.write(data);
});

socket.on('end', () => {
  console.log('Client is now disconnected');
});
});

server.listen(3000, () => console.log('I am Server'));

```

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The server object created by the net module is an event emitter. The server object emits a connection event any time a client connects to the server, i.e. by how we registered a handler on the connection event, thus the handler gives the client access to the connected socket.

\* The socket (connected), is also an event emitter, here it is emitting a 'data' event i.e at [socket.on('data', data => {})] whenever the end user types into the connection. The connected socket also emits an 'end' event when client exists. This will close the connection. \*

\* At this point more than 1 client can connect to the server. Each client connection will have its own connection socket.

So why don't we assign an id to each socket connection at the Server?

```

process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //again clear node terminal
let counter = 0;
const server = require('net').createServer(); // here use the createServer met

server.on('connection', socket => {
  socket.id = counter++; //everytime a client connects assign an id, and add to
  console.log('Client is connected!');
  socket.write('Welcome!\n');

  socket.on('data', data => {
    socket.write(` ${socket.id}: `);
    console.log('data is', data);
    socket.write('data is ');
    socket.write(data);
  });
});

```

```

socket.on('end', () => {
  console.log('Client is now disconnected');
});

server.listen(3000, () => console.log('I am Server'));
// use tmux to connect with multiple clients -- i.e. fingers should
// never leave the keyboard!

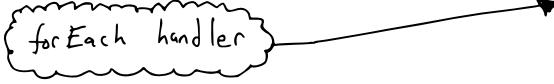
```

So let's make clients have the ability to "chat" with each other. φ3.21.2φ18  
 This means when we receive data from one client we should write to each connected socket. This would mean keeping a record of each connected socket with a data event & handler. This can be done with an object.

[1.] create a socket variable and initialize it as an empty object ... like so...

let sockets = {};  
 [2.] now each time a connection is made, store that connection within the object, and index that socket's id. i.e. the object will be an array of connection ids e.g.  
 [3] sockets[sockets.id] = socket;

We can use a new JS method called `Object.entries()`, which is like 'Keys' but gives both key and value put the logic to loop through the data events. using the `Object.entries(sockets).forEach(([ , cs]) => {`



So inside the forEach handler φ3.21.2φ18  
 destructure both the key, and the socket object. You should assign an alias variable to the 'socket' obj so it does not conflict with the global socket object you defined earlier. \* After you have done this. Make sure to include the `socket.write` method within the forEach loop code block.  
 \* You will be replacing the `socket` (variable name) object with the alias.

```

socket.on('data', data => {
  Object.entries(sockets).forEach(([ , cs]) => {
    cs.write(`$ {`socket.id`}`); // ←
    cs.write(data);
  });
});

```

Keep the `socket.id` because i.e. the socket that is sending the data. This way you are identifying who is writing the data.

```
process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //again clear node terminal 
```

```
const server = require('net').createServer(); // here use the createServer met
let counter = 0;
let sockets = {};
```

```
server.on('connection', socket => {
  socket.id = counter++; //everytime a client connects assign an id, and add t
  sockets[socket.id] = socket;

  console.log('Client is connected!');
  socket.write('Welcome!\n');

  socket.on('data', data => {
    Object.entries(sockets).forEach(([, cs]) => { //the empty value would be k
      cs.write(` ${socket.id}: `);
      // console.log('data is', data);
      cs.write(data);
    });
  });
  socket.on('end', () => {
    console.log('Client is now disconnected');
  });
});
```

```
server.listen(3000, () => console.log('I am Server'));
// use tmux to connect with multiple clients -- i.e. fingers should
//never leave the keyboard!
```



So you see that data from any socket is looped through the socket object i.e. Object.entries(sockets).forEach( . . . => {

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Then the received data is written to every socket contained in the sockets object. So now we have basically a chat server. This acting like a chat server, because every connected client is receiving all the messages from every other connected client. There is an issue, anytime one client disconnects the socket is closed. If you write to the socket the app will crash. To fix this, in the "end event", when the socket emits an end event. Create a condition in which the closed socket is removed, i.e deleted from the socket object.

" delete sockets[socket.id]; "

This will delete the disconnecting socket from the socket object.

So now when a client disconnects and the client writes, the server won't crash.

```
process.stdout.write('\u001B[2J\u001B[0;0f'); //again clear node terminal
const server = require('net').createServer(); // here use the createServer method
let counter = 0;
let sockets = {};

server.on('connection', socket => {
  socket.id = counter++; //everytime a client connects assign an id, and add to sockets[socket.id] = socket;

  console.log('Client is connected!');
  socket.write('Welcome!\n');

  socket.on('data', data => {
    Object.entries(sockets).forEach(([key, cs]) => { //the empty value would be
      if (socket.id == key)
        return;
      cs.write(` ${socket.id}: `);
      // console.log('data is', data);
      cs.write(data);
    });
  });
}

socket.on('end', () => {
  delete sockets[socket.id];
  console.log('Client is now disconnected');
});
```

```
server.listen(3000, () => console.log('I am Server'));
// use tmux to connect with multiple clients -- i.e. fingers should
// never leave the keyboard!
```

## Node's DNS module

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It can be used to translate network name to address  
e.g. the `lookup` method to `lookup` a host.

```
dns.lookup('nannerl.io', (err, address) => {
    console.log(address);
});
```

- \* The `lookup` method on the DNS module does not perform any network communication, but instead uses the underlying OS facilities to perform network operations. \*  
This means it will be using libuv threads. All other DNS methods does NOT work with libuv threads but rather uses the Network directly. e.g. the equivalent network method for the `lookup` method is

```
dns.resolve4('nannerl.io', (err, address) => {
    console.log(address);
});
```

\* This will be returning an array of addresses, i.e. in case the domain has multiple A records.

Using the `dns.resolve` (without '4') #3. 24. 2018  
the default 2nd arg is 'A' record. e.g. you wish to use 'MX'

```
[1] dns.resolve('nannerl.io', 'MX', (err, address) => {
    console.log(address);
});
```

OR instead all the equivalent types such as 'MX' or 'A'  
have an equivalent method name. e.g.

```
[2] dns.resolveMx('nannerl.io', (err, address) => {
    console.log(address);
});
```

[2] is the same as [1]

\* The reverse method \*  
The reverse method takes an IP and translates it back to its hostname → e.g.

```
dns.reverse('x.x.x.x', (err, hostname) => {
    console.log(hostname);
});
```

## MDP Data Gram Sockets (fun) 03.24.2018

To begin using the UDP sockets in Node, use the dgram module

This module provides an implementation for the MDP datagram sockets. Use the dgram.createSocket method to create a new socket.

```
const dgram = require('dgram');
const server = dgram.createSocket('udp4');
```

The args for udp socket can be 4 or 6, depending on the socket you wish to use. For listening on the socket, use server.bind, and give it port & host.

e.g.

```
const PORT = 3333;
const HOST = '127.0.0.1';
server.bind(PORT, HOST);
```

So the server object is an event emitter. e.g.

```
server.on('listening', () => console.log('UDP listening'));
```

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



```
const server = dgram.createSocket('udp4');
```

```
server.on('listening', () => console.log('UDP Server is listening up and liste
```

```
server.on('message', (msg, rinfo) => { // register handle for message event, c
  console.log(`${rinfo.address}:${rinfo.port} - ${msg}`); // remote address an
});
```

```
const PORT = 3333;
const HOST = '127.0.0.1'; //home
server.bind(PORT, HOST);
```



For the client to connect to the MDP Server. First create a client socket φ3.24.2018

const client = dgram.createSocket('udp4');  
to send a udp packet(datagram),

client.send(' ') // the first argument in send can  
be a string. \* You will also have to tell the MDP  
site which port and host to send the message to →  
You will also need to indicate (or expose an optional) error callback.

if (err) throw err;  
Then you should close the MDP socket. i.e client.close();  
\* every time you create a new socket, it will use a different port \* This can be demonstrated by creating a set interval function and looping through create new socket for client.

You can also create a buffer instead of just using string. e.g.

const msg = Buffer.from('Mozart rocks');  
You can specify in the client method, i.e. send for buffer where to start from the buffer e.g. φ, and where to end. e.g. φ to msg.length → will send the whole buffer, and you can even slice up the buffer packets!

```
const dgram = require('dgram');
const PORT = 3333;
const HOST = '127.0.0.1'; //home

//server
const server = dgram.createSocket('udp4');

server.on('listening', () => console.log('UDP Server is listening up and liste
server.on('message', (msg, rinfo) => { // register handle for message event, c
  console.log(` ${rinfo.address}:${rinfo.port} - ${msg}`); // remote address an
});

server.bind(PORT, HOST);

//clients
setInterval(function () {
  const client = dgram.createSocket('udp4');

  client.send('Mozart is awesome!', PORT, HOST, (err) => {
    if (err) throw err;

    console.log('message sent by UDP');
    client.close();
  });
});
```

```
});  
}, 1000); // 1 second interval
```

```
$ node stanUDP.js  
UDP Server is up and listening!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:61164 - Mozart is awesome!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:52090 - Mozart is awesome!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:52091 - Mozart is awesome!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:52092 - Mozart is awesome!
```



## Here we're using sending a buffer instead of string

```
const dgram = require('dgram');  
const PORT = 3333;  
const HOST = '127.0.0.1'; //home  
  
//server  
const server = dgram.createSocket('udp4');  
  
server.on('listening', () => console.log('UDP Server is up and listening! '));  
  
server.on('message', (msg, rinfo) => { // register handle for message event, c  
  console.log(` ${rinfo.address}:${rinfo.port} - ${msg}`); // remote address an  
});  
  
server.bind(PORT, HOST);  
  
//clients  
setInterval(function () {  
  const client = dgram.createSocket('udp4');  
  const msg = Buffer.from('Mozart ROCKS!!!!')  
  
  client.send(msg, 0, msg.length, PORT, HOST, (err) => {  
    if (err) throw err;  
  
    console.log('message sent by UDP');  
    client.close();
```



```
});  
}, 1000);
```

## Output is the same

```
$ node stanUDPbuff.js  
UDP Server is up and listening!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:58048 - Mozart ROCKS!!!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:58049 - Mozart ROCKS!!!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:56642 - Mozart ROCKS!!!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:56643 - Mozart ROCKS!!!  
message sent by UDP  
127.0.0.1:56644 - Mozart ROCKS!!!
```



Here we specify an offset, you can even send an array of messages as 1st argument

```
const dgram = require('dgram');  
const PORT = 3333;  
const HOST = '127.0.0.1'; //home  
  
//server  
const server = dgram.createSocket('udp4');  
  
server.on('listening', () => console.log('UDP Server is up and listening!'));  
  
server.on('message', (msg, rinfo) => { // register handle for message event, c  
  console.log(` ${rinfo.address}:${rinfo.port} - ${msg}`); // remote address an  
});  
  
server.bind(PORT, HOST);  
  
//clients  
setInterval(function () {  
  const client = dgram.createSocket('udp4');  
  const msg = Buffer.from('Mozart ROCKS!!!!')
```



```

client.send(msg, 0, 7, PORT, HOST, (err) => {
  if (err) throw err;

  client.send(msg, 7, 6, PORT, HOST, (err) => {
    if (err) throw err;

    console.log('message sent by UDP');
    client.close();
  });
});
}, 1000);

```



UDP Server is up and listening!  
 message sent by UDP  
 127.0.0.1:51492 - Mozart  
 message sent by UDP  
 127.0.0.1:51494 - Mozart  
 127.0.0.1:51494 - ROCKS!  
 message sent by UDP  
 127.0.0.1:51495 - Mozart  
 127.0.0.1:51495 - ROCKS!



HTTP is a first class citizen in  $\phi 3.25.2\phi 18$   
 node.

Node started out as an http Server. Which evolved  
 in to the generalized framework. Node's http module is  
 designed with streaming and low latency in mind.

Node is a very popular tool to load and run  
 web servers

You create the server using the http module, create server  
method. This gives us an event emitter object.

This event emitter has many events, one of which is the  
 request event, this event happens, everytime a client  
 connects to the http server. It exposes a request and  
 response object.



```

const server = require('http').createServer();

server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  res.writeHead(200, { 'content-type': 'text/plain' });
  res.end('Hola, Multiverse(s)!\\n');
});

server.listen(8000);

```

At this point the response 200 ok. #3.26.2018  
#3.27.2018  
 content-type: text. When running the script you will notice that node will not exit. It has a listener handler and it will respond to any http request on port :8000. Connection: Keep alive → i.e if you run this curl command

\$ curl -i localhost:8000

Keep alive means that the connection to the web server will be persisted, the tcp connection will not be killed after the requester receives the response, so they can send multiple requests on the same connection. Transferring encoded: chunked → used for variable length response text, which means that the response is being streamed. This is ok with node, node is ok with this i.e. sending partial chunked responses, because the response object is a writable stream. There is no response length value being sent. Instead of buffering everything in memory and then write at once, It can just stream parts of the response when it's ready. This example can stream video files right out of the box. If you replace res.end(); with res.write node will continue streaming.

```
//stanHTTP_2.js
```

```
const server = require('http').createServer();

server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  res.writeHead(200, { 'content-type': 'text/plain' });
  res.write('Hola, Multiverse(s)!\\n');

  setTimeout(function () {
    res.write('Mozart rocks!\\n');
  }, 1000);

  setTimeout(function () {
    res.write('Beethoven rules!\\n');
  }, 1000);
});

server.listen(8000);
```



The server will continue to stream, unless node's http response object is terminated. If you extend the timeout function to a longer delay → e.g. 20 - 30 seconds, the server is not in a sleep state → rather it is idling. It can handle other requests via the event loop. i.e. during this idling phase. More than one request can be handled concurrently with the same node process. \* Terminating the response object with a call to the end method is not optional. You must do this for every request. \* If you do not call the end method the response obj will time out at the default of 2 min. To control the time out, use the .timeout() function from the http module. e.g. server.timeout = 1000, would timeout in 1 second.

### ★ HTTPS ★

Https is the http protocol over TLS - SSL, https is handled by node's https module. Just require the https module and provide an options object to the create Server method. e.g.

```
const server = require('https').createServer({  
  Key:  
  cert:  
});
```

In the options object for https, you may combine Key, cert with pbx.

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Run the following :

```
$ openssl req -x509 -newKey rsa:4096 -keyout  
Key.pem -out cert.pem -nodes
```

The command should create two files in your working directory. Use the fs module

```
Key : fs.readFileSync('./Key.pem');  
cert : fs.readFileSync('./cert.pem');
```

The readFileSync method, indicates that the file is to be read once. And also change the port to default https port (443)

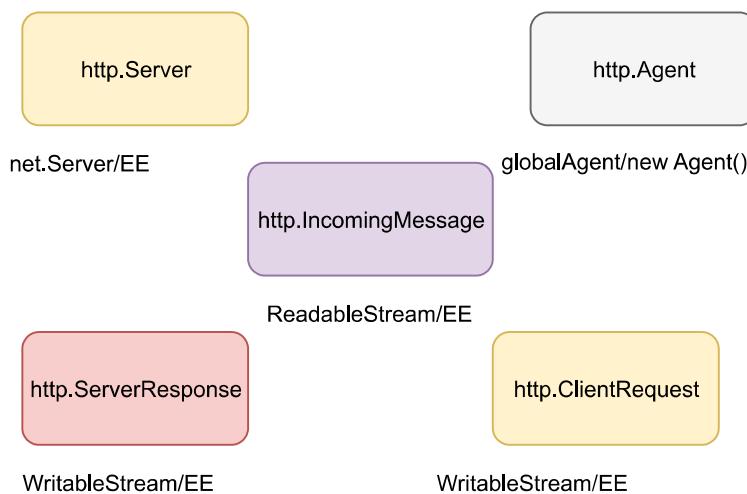
```
const fs = require('fs');  
const server = require('https')  
.createServer({  
  key: fs.readFileSync('./key.pem'), //readFileSync for reading file only once  
  cert: fs.readFileSync('./cert.pem'),  
});  
//use openssl toolkit  
server.on('request', (req, res) => {  
  res.writeHead(200, { 'content-type': 'text/plain' });  
  res.write('Hola, Multiverse(s)!\\n');  
});  
  
server.listen(443);
```

```
//openssl req -x509 -newkey rsa:4096 -keyout key.pem -out cert.pem -nodes
```

Using node as a client for requesting 03.28.2018  
http and http data

There are 5 main classes in Node HTTP module.

- ① [http.Server] \* the server class is what is used to create a basic server. It inherits from net.Server so it is an ee (event emitter) [A server response object is created internally by an http server]
  - ② [http.ServerResponse]
  - ③ [http.Agent] class is used to manage pooling sockets used in http client requests. \* Node uses a global agent by default, but the dev can create a different agent when needed.
  - ④ [http.ClientRequest] - when we initiate an http request the dev will be using this. This object is NOT the same as the server obj. That request object is an [incoming message object] ⑤
- Both Client Request & Server Response implement WritableStream / event emitter interface.



## ⑤ [ http.Incoming Message ]

*incoming Message objects implement ( Readable Stream )  
interface , which is also an event emitter.*

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The default "request" for `http.request` is 'get,' e.g.

```
const http = require('http');
http.request({hostname: 'www.nannerl.io'},  
  (res) => {  
    console.log(res);  
  });
  , method: 'POST'};


```

The request method takes an option argument and gives access to a callback, for the response of the host you wish to request.

```
http.request(  
  {},  
  (res) => {
```

)

Notice the handler being defined in the `and` argument, it does not have an error argument. This is because the handler gets registered as an event listener. Also the error is

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

http.request({hostname: 'www.nannerl.io'},  
  (res) => {  
    console.log(res);  
  });
  
```



is handled with an event listener. φ3.30.2018  
So this mean the `http` method → `http.request`, returns an object. Which would be an event emitter.

Now we can register a handler for the `error` event

```
const req = http.request({ ... });
req.on('error', (e) => console.log(e));
req.end();
```

\* This request object is a `writable stream`. This means you can write with a `post` method.  
e.g. `req.write(...);`  
and don't forget to terminate the stream !!!  
e.g. `req.end();`

You should get the whole incoming message.  
You should be able to read info on the response object like so ... `console.log(res.statusCode);`  
`console.log(res.headers);` ← [for header]  
\* Most important \* this response object is [info] an event emitter... It emits a data event when it receives data from the hostname.

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

const req = http.request(
  { hostname: 'www.nannerl.io' },
  (res) => {
    console.log(res);
  }
);

req.on('error', (e) => console.log(e));

req.end();
```

① This data event give us a callback, and Ø3.3Ø. 2Ø18  
this callback's argument is a buffer. So if you  
want to see the actual html, use the `toString`  
method.

```
res.on('data', (data) => {
  console.log(data);
}); ← you can put the toString()  
method here.  
e.g. data.toString()
```

If you're not posting, deleting, patching or anything like  
that you can just use the `get` http method  
like so...

const req = http.get('http://www.nannerl.io' ...  
And you won't need to put a `req.end()`; supposedly node  
will end for you. This whole request is done using the  
global http agent. You can see this for yourself →

```
[ $ node
  > http.globalAgent ]
```

You can see this same info → `console.log(req.agent);`

\$ node stanRequest.js

<https://github.com/stan-alam/NodeJS/blob/develop/coreNode/10/15-30/src/web/stanRequestOutput.txt>

## Node REPL output for http.globalAgent (used by node to manage sockets ...etc )

```
$ node
> http.globalAgent
Agent {
  domain: null,
  _events: { error: [Function: debugDomainError] },
  _eventsCount: 1,
  _maxListeners: undefined,
  members: [],
  _events: { free: [Function] },
  _eventsCount: 1,
  _maxListeners: undefined,
  defaultPort: 80,
  protocol: 'http:',
  options: { path: null },
  requests: {},
  sockets: {},
  freeSockets: {},
  keepAliveMsecs: 1000,
  keepAlive: false,
  maxSockets: Infinity,
  maxFreeSockets: 256 }
```

>

... and for using http... just replace 93.30.2018  
 http with https. Things will work the same!

So lets look at the code, and identify the 5 objects i.e

- ① http.Server
- ② http.ServerResponse
- ③ http.Agent
- ④ http.ClientRequest
- ⑤ http.IncomingMessage

[4.] const req = http.get (...);

[5.] (res) => {
 console.log(res.statusCode);

[3.] console.log(req.agent);

In the server [1.] const server = require('http').createServer(); φ3. 30. 2018  
 The request object inside the request listener is from the incoming message class! [5.]  
 i.e. server.on('request', (req, res) => {  
 And the response object is from the server response class  
 i.e. res.writeHead(200, { 'content-type': 'text ~

## Routes in Node

Working with Routes using Node's http module. φ3. 31. 2018

lets support a few routes, a home route, an api route, a burger route.

e.g. curl localhost:8000/home  
 /api  
 /burgers

The first thing to do is read the URL info... which can be done by (req.url) The easiest way to handle routes is to use the switch statement. Like so ...

```
server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  switch (req.url) {
    case '/home':
      break;
    case '/':
      break;
    default:
```

```
const fs = require('fs');
const server = require('http').createServer();

server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  switch (req.url) {
    case '/home':
      res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': 'text/html' });
      res.end(fs.readFileSync('./home.html'));
      break;
    case '/':
      break;
    default:
  }
});
```



```
server.listen(8000);
```

```
$ curl localhost:8000/home
% Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time     Time     Time
Current                                         Dload  Upload   Total Spent  Left
Speed
100  289    0  289    0      0  2627      0  --::--  --::--  --::--  --
3074<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset ="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <met http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="ie=edge">
  <title>Nannerl.io</title>
</head>
<body>
  Welcome to Nannerl.io
</body>
</html>
```

Now we added a home route, let's make this node code more dynamic ... i.e., let's add another route, e.g. an /about ... so the end user knows what this page is about. The code is really the same as the /home, just add another case statement for the about route.

```
case '/home':
case '/about':
  res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': ~
  res.end(fs.readFileSync(`.${req.url}.html`));
break;
```

```
const fs = require('fs');
const server = require('http').createServer();
```

```
server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  switch (req.url) {
    case '/home':
    case '/about':
      res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': 'text/html' });
      res.end(fs.readFileSync(`.${req.url}.html`));
      break;
    case '/':
```

```

        break;
    default:

    }

});

server.listen(8000);

```

```

$ curl localhost:8000/about
% Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time     Time     Time
Current                                         Dload  Upload  Total  Spent  Left
Speed
100  294    0  294    0      0    294       0  --::-- --::-- --::--
287k<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset ="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <met http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="ie=edge">
  <title>About</title>
</head>
<body>
  Nannerl.io, by Stan Enterprises
</body>
</html>

```

So what should be done at the root route? We could redirect the user to home!

e.g. case '/':  
 In such a case we just write  
 a header  
 res.writeHead(301, { 'Location': '/home' });  
 res.end();

\* and don't forget to indicate a perm move  
 to end the response with a res.end() method.

Say you want to see all the status codes, node's got you covered. At the node REPL just type  
 > http.STATUS\_CODES

```

const fs = require('fs');
const server = require('http').createServer();

server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  switch (req.url) {
    case '/home':
    case '/about':

```

```

res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': 'text/html' });
res.end(fs.readFileSync(`.${req.url}.html`));
break;
case '/':
res.writeHead(301, { 'Location': '/home' });
res.end();
break;
default:

}

});

server.listen(8000);

```

```

$ curl -i localhost:8000/
% Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time     Time     Time
Current                                         Dload  Upload   Total  Spent  Left
Speed
0      0      0      0      0      0      0 --:--:-- --:--:-- --:--:--
HTTP/1.1 301 Moved Permanently
Location: /home
Date: Sat, 31 Mar 2018 18:45:03 GMT
Connection: keep-alive
Transfer-Encoding: chunked

```

```

const fs = require('fs');
const server = require('http').createServer();
const colorData = {
  "colors": [
    {
      "color": "black",
      "category": "hue",
      "type": "primary",
      "code": {
        "rgba": [255,255,255,1],
        "hex": "#000"
      }
    },
    {
      "color": "white",
      "category": "value",
      "code": {
        "rgba": [0,0,0,1],
        "hex": "#FFF"
      }
    }
  ]
};

```

```
        },
        {
          "color": "red",
          "category": "hue",
          "type": "primary",
          "code": {
            "rgba": [255,0,0,1],
            "hex": "#FF0"
          }
        },
        {
          "color": "blue",
          "category": "hue",
          "type": "primary",
          "code": {
            "rgba": [0,0,255,1],
            "hex": "#00F"
          }
        },
        {
          "color": "yellow",
          "category": "hue",
          "type": "primary",
          "code": {
            "rgba": [255,255,0,1],
            "hex": "#FF0"
          }
        },
        {
          "color": "green",
          "category": "hue",
          "type": "secondary",
          "code": {
            "rgba": [0,255,0,1],
            "hex": "#0F0"
          }
        },
      ],
    }

server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  switch (req.url) {
    case '/api':
      res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' });
      res.end(JSON.stringify(colorData));
      break;
    case '/home':
    case '/about':
      res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': 'text/html' });
  }
})
```

```
res.end(fs.readFileSync(`.${req.url}.html`));
break;
case '/':
  res.writeHead(301, { 'Location': '/home' });
  res.end();
  break;
default:
  res.writeHead(404);
  res.end();
}
});

server.listen(8000);
```

What if you wish to work with routing JSON data? Well, in the switch case, add an api route, like so :

```
case '/api':  
    res.writeHead(200, { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' });
```

\* You would want to return the JSON Data as a stringified version of the data.

e.g.

```
res.end(JSON.stringify(data)); // you put a variable  
for the json data like so const data = {};
```

\* But what happens when send a request with some garbage route, something that does not exist? At this time we don't have logic in place that will handle said scenario. If you enter a garbage string for the route, the webServer will time out. In such a case you can add the logic at the default switch/case.

default :

```
res.writeHead(404);  
res.end(); // make sure to end the response
```

```
$ curl -i localhost:8000/api
  % Total      % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time     Time     Time
Current                                            Dload  Upload   Total  Spent  Left
Speed
100    559     0    559     0       0  34937          0  --:--:--  --:--:--  --:--:--
34937HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: application/json
Date: Sat, 31 Mar 2018 19:14:47 GMT
Connection: keep-alive
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
```

```
[255,0,0,1],"hex":"#FF0"}},  
{"color":"blue","category":"hue","type":"primary","code":{"rgba":  
[0,0,255,1],"hex":"#00F"}},  
{"color":"yellow","category":"hue","type":"primary","code":{"rgba":  
[255,255,0,1],"hex":"#FF0"}},  
{"color":"green","category":"hue","type":"secondary","code":{"rgba":  
[0,255,0,1],"hex":"#0F0"}}}]
```

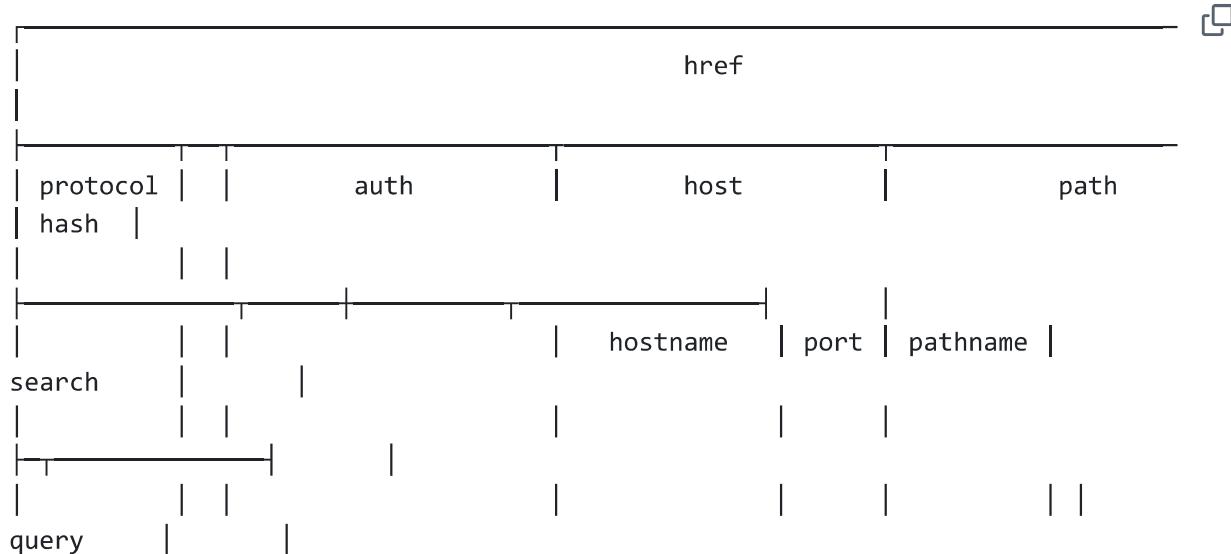
## When trying curl -i localhost:8000/garbage

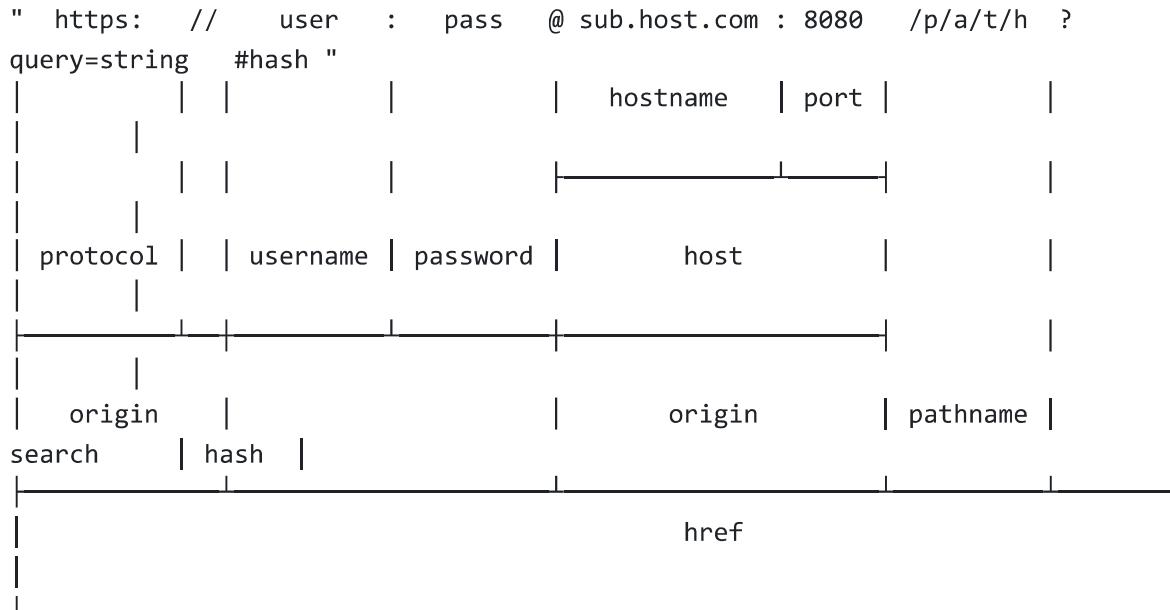
```
$ curl -i localhost:8000/garbage  
% Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time     Time     Time  
Current                                         Dload  Upload  Total  Spent  Left  
Speed  
0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0 --::-- --::-- --::--  
0HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found  
Date: Sat, 31 Mar 2018 19:14:55 GMT  
Connection: keep-alive  
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
```



## This diagram is from the NODE.org api page for the URL module

parsing the following url: [http://user:pass@sub.host.com:8080/p/a/t/h?  
query=string#hash](http://user:pass@sub.host.com:8080/p/a/t/h?query=string#hash)



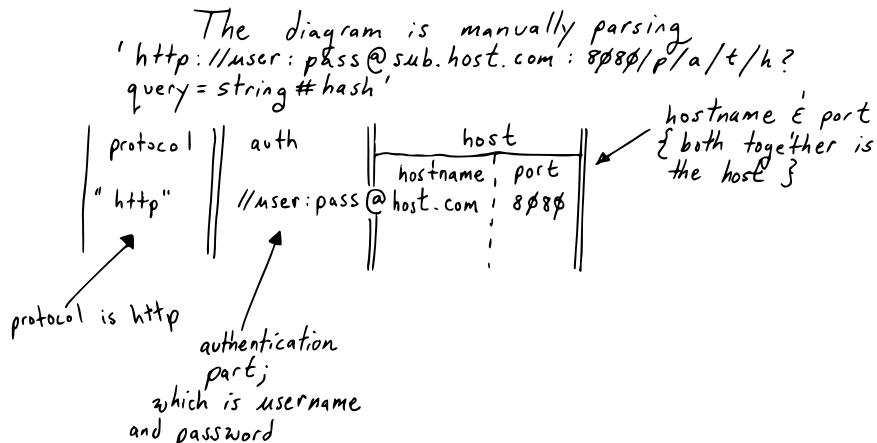


(all spaces in the "" line should be ignored -- they are purely for formatting)

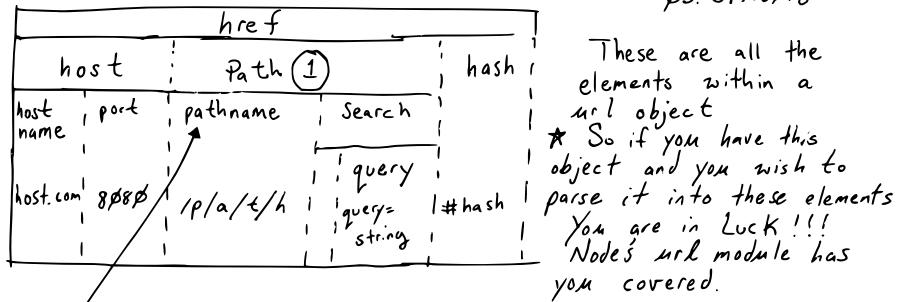
## [ Parsing URLs and Query Strings ]

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So lets say, you wish to work with URLs → node's got you covered! From the Node REPL, type > curl  
And this also covers parsing!!! The url module is awesome! Take a gander at  
★ <https://nodejs.org/api/url.html> ★ This is the API reference page for the url module.



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/ pathname which comes after the host, and before the query string

The query string including the question mark (?) is 'Search'

\* Without the question mark, it is just 'query'  
while pathname (+) 'Search' is the path [1]

And if there is a hash location, it will be called hash!

Remember this URL object is a string object.

you can use the `url.parse()` method at the Ø4. Ø1. 2Ø18  
node REPL. e.g.

> `url.parse('http://nannerl.io')`  
you may see something such as this.

```
URL {  
  protocol: 'http:',  
  slashes: true,  
  auth: null,  
  host: 'nannerl.io',  
  port: null,  
  hostname: 'nannerl.io',  
  hash: null,  
  search: null,  
  query: null,  
  pathname: '/',  
  path: '/',  
  href: 'http://nannerl.io/'}
```

\* Since we don't see a query string, we can't parse it. However, it would not be difficult to do so. You should be able to do so with a second argument.

> `url.parse('http://nannerl.io', true)`

What if you have the inverse, i.e. what if you wish to format the url? It's all good, node's got you covered... simply (at the node Repl) use the `url.format()` method. like so

```
> url.format({ protocol: 'http',
  host: 'nannerl.io',
  ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
  })
```

this will format all the object element properties into a string! i.e. it will put them back to the nicely formatted url, that everyone is so used to.

There is also another module that should be discussed. This module also has some great methods available. This would be the `parse` method and the `stringify` method. e.g. →

```
> {
  ... name: 'Ludwig Wittgenstein', website: 'nannerl.io/L-W'
  ... }
```

→ `querystring.stringify({ ... })` → using this method on the object ↗

`name = Ludwig%20Wittgenstein&website = nannerl.io%2FL-W'`

\* notice how the `stringify` method escaped special characters ↗ by default. If you have the inverse situation, where you wish to parse a query string into an object. Just use `querystring.parse()`; it will return a JSON of that query string.

## Common Built-in Modules in Node

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Node provides a 'plethora' of utilities for acting on the OS. use the `os` module for this. \* `const os = require('os');` Try this at node Repl > `os.cpus()` ] this will give you info on CPUs their models, speed, times..etc \* You can even read information on network interfaces. ↳

↳ > `os.networkInterfaces().en0.map(i => i.address)` \* gives you IP addresses, but you can also read mac addresses. netmasks, families → you name it Node's got it. Node is so good it can probably do your taxes!!!

> `os.freemem()`, will tell you about free memory (you can also check for total mem)

> `os.type()`, will tell you what type of OS your special node was compiled on. \* This way you can write code that is specific to your operating System.

> `os.release()`, will allow you to read the release info on the operating system.

> `os.userInfo()` → is also very handy. It returns the user info on the current user. This would be good if you're writing a script custom to the shell user.

On windows the `shell` attrib is null, both `uid` and `gid` = -1

> `os.constants.signals`, is another handy method. It will list a 'whole "plethora" of [os exit codes]

and signal codes.

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`os.constants`

\* The `fs` module : provides simple I/O functions to use with node. \* All `fs` functions have sync and async forms. (you should not mix these types together) You should pick one form that is best for your code logic. e.g. Say you're reading a file during a server initialization process. Use the read file Sync  $\rightarrow$  `fs.readFileSync()` This will read the file only once, and then it is done. When you're reading a file in which a user may be writing to, or the file is changing (reacting), then use the async function.

• Most important thing to know, besides that these two function handle read/write differently, they also handle errors in a different way.

The async function pass any errors as the first argument in the callback, while the sync function throws an immediate error. Recall this was an issue with the hub-node test rig. i.e when the webdriver could not write to the log it would throw an error to the OS, not to node, node was just spawning the webdriver process. That's why the try-catch block would not work, and Jenkins would crash!!!!

here is example of an async fs and Sync fs

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```
const fs = require('fs'); // async
fs.readFile(--filename, (err, data) => {
  if (err) throw err;
});
```

\* The `readFile` method on default returns a buffer

```
const data = fs.readFileSync(--filename); // sync
// here exception will be immediately thrown
```

Take a look at this script → [The `readdir` method is for]  
 const fs = require('fs'); reading the directory for a
const path = require('path'); list of files.

```
const files = fs.readdirSync(dirname);
files.forEach(file => {
```

\* this will be an array of file names, stored in the file constant. (Just the names)  
 not the full paths

To get the full path use the `paths` module.

★ Never string cat on filenames, use the `path.join`. This will allow the path name to be operating system agnostic.

You can use the `fs.stat` method to read meta data on the file. e.g. `stat.size`, is the size of the file.

▶ `const filePath = path.join(dirname, file);`

Assignment : Write a node script that will delete all log files in a dir that is older than 7 days.  
\* hint use `fs.stat` also read all files in directory, then loop through the array of `fs.stat.ctime`

So we should use `mtime`, for modified time if `mtime > 7 days`. We will have to convert 24 hour day into milliseconds the code will look somewhat like this →

```
if ((Date.now() - stats.mtime.getTime() > 7 * Day)) {  
    // [The mtime is a date object]  
    // make sure this  
    // The getTime() method reads the file's unix timestamp value, now subtract from the current unix Date-Time value.  
    // constant has been converted to milliseconds within a day.
```

```
const fs = require('fs');  
const path = require('path');  
const dirname = path.join(__dirname, 'files');  
const files = fs.readdirSync(dirname);  
const Day = 24*60*60*1000; // milliseconds in a Day  
  
files.forEach(file => {  
    const filePath = path.join(dirname, file);  
    fs.stat(filePath, (err, stats) => {  
        if (err)  
            throw err;  
        if ((Date.now() - stats.mtime.getTime() > 7*Day)) {  
            fs.unlink(filePath, (err) => {  
                if (err)  
                    throw err;  
                console.log(`deleted ${filePath}`);  
            });  
        }  
    });  
});
```



the `fs.unlink()` will delete files. #4. #1. 2018  
 Use `fs.watch()` for watching a change in a file  
 ★ Write a node script that will watch a directory for three events. These events are a file is added, removed, changed. `fs.watch()` will not give you the ability to act on all these aforementioned events, e.g. both add' and delete events are registered as 'rename' to `fs.watch()` method.

- ① first read the files in the specific directory that is to be watched.  
 ↳ `const currentFiles = fs.readdirSync(dirname);`
  - ② Start the watch listener  
 ↳ `fs.watch(dirname, (eventType, filename) => {`  
   ↳ if the event type is 'rename', means a file is deleted or added  
   ↳ if (`eventType === 'rename'`) { ↳
  - ③ If the file exists in the current Files array, then the event is a remove event  
 ↳ `const index = currentFiles.indexOf(filename);`  
   ↳ which the current file array will be updated to reflect the event.  
 i.e update the removed file → `currentFiles.splice(index, 1);`  
   ↳ `logWithTime(`${filename} was removed`);`
- this just outputs the time in UTC

- ④ at this point of the code #4. #1. 2018
- ↳ `currentFiles.push(filename);`  
`logWithTime(`${filename} is added`);`
  - ↳ means a file is being added to the directory.  
 It says to update the current file array [push] and log the message.
  - ⑤ So if the event type is not rename {which covered both del/add}  
 the the code will reach the 'change' event which is supported by the `fs.watch` method. Here the code will log the UTC stamp at which the file 'change' event occurs.  
 ↳ `logWithTime(`${filename} has been modified`);`

Remember `fs` module (i.e. the API) is not universal for all OS environments. "Test the code."

```
const fs = require('fs');
const path = require('path');
const dirname = path.join(__dirname, 'files');
const files = fs.readdirSync(dirname);

const logWithTime = (message) =>
  console.log(`${new Date().toUTCString()}: ${message}`);

fs.watch(dirname, (eventType, filename) => {
  if (eventType === 'rename') {
    const index = currentFiles.indexOf(filename);
    if (index >= 0) {
      currentFiles.splice(index, 1);
      logWithTime(`${filename} has been expunged`);
    }
  }
});
```

```

        }

    currentFiles.push(filename);
    logWithTime(`${filename} has been added`);
    return;
}

logWithTime(`${filename} a change has occurred`);

});

```

## Console & Utilities

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The console module is designed to match the console object provided by web browsers. In node there is a console class that can be used by dev's to write to any node stream. There is also a global console that is configured to write to stdout and stderr. ★ Remember that these are two different things. ★ i.e. if you wish to write to a socket or a file. All you need to do is instantiate a new console object from the console class & pass the desired output and error streams as args. e.g.)

```
const myConsole = new console.Console(out, err);
```

\* console.log, uses the util module, i.e. under the hood. i.e to format and output a message with a new line. You can even use printf formatting elements, or print multiple args and print multiple elements on the same line. %d for number, %s for stream.\* ★ There is also %j for JSON object, yay !!!

If you want to use the printf substitutions - without console log  
 → you can use the util dot format method. ★  
 > util.format('Some %s', 'thing');  
 this will return the formatted string.  
 You can even console log objects, like so →

> console.log(module) #4. #1. 2018  
 but say you wish to print the string representations of those objects. Don't worry, node has you covered.  
 > util.inspect(module)  
 You can also use a second argument in the util.inspect method - this is an options argument. This argument may be used to control the output of util.inspect(). e.g. To use only the first level of an object do this ...  
 > util.inspect(global, { depth: 0 })  
 here we're using the depth 0 option. -- Remember that util.inspect only returns a string. If you wish to include a 2nd arg but print to stdout, then do this → > console.dir(global, { depth: 0 }). i.e use the console.dir() function. It will pass the second argument option to util.inspect, and print out the result. Console.info, is just an alias to console.log. While console.error writes to stderr instead of stdout. console.warn is an alias to console.error.  
 The console function has the ability to create assertions e.g. console.assert(42 == '42') -- it will throw an assertion error if not true. If you want to use assert -- then you should just use the assert module.  
 > assert  
 \* Which can be also used for quick assertions /with a few more options.  
 ★ You should definitely check out the ifError function in the assert module.

## > console

---

```
> console
Console {
  log: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  info: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  warn: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  error: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  dir: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  time: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  timeEnd: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  trace: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  assert: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  clear: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  count: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  countReset: [Function: bound countReset],
  group: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  groupCollapsed: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  groupEnd: [Function: bound consoleCall],
  Console: [Function: Console],
  debug: [Function: debug],
  dirxml: [Function: dirxml],
  table: [Function: table],
  markTimeline: [Function: markTimeline],
  profile: [Function: profile],
  profileEnd: [Function: profileEnd],
  timeline: [Function: timeline],
```

```
timelineEnd: [Function: timelineEnd],  
timeStamp: [Function: timeStamp],  
context: [Function: context],  
[Symbol(counts)]: Map {} }  
>
```

## > assert

---

```
$ node  
> assert  
{ [Function: ok]  
  fail: [Function: fail],  
  AssertionError: [Function: AssertionError],  
  ok: [Circular],  
  equal: [Function: equal],  
  notEqual: [Function: notEqual],  
  deepEqual: [Function: deepEqual],  
  deepStrictEqual: [Function: deepStrictEqual],  
  notDeepEqual: [Function: notDeepEqual],  
  notDeepStrictEqual: [Function: notDeepStrictEqual],  
  strictEqual: [Function: strictEqual],  
  notStrictEqual: [Function: notStrictEqual],  
  throws: [Function: throws],  
  doesNotThrow: [Function: doesNotThrow],  
  ifError: [Function: ifError] }  
>
```



The `ifError` function throws value if the value is "truthy." Which is usually done on any errors argument in callbacks. #4. #1. 2018

\* `console.trace("here")` is just like `console.error` but it also prints the call stack at the point where the error is placed. Which is cool when you need to debug problems. You can use `console.time()`, and `console.timeEnd()` to start and stop timers and even report the duration of an operation. \* The argument you pass to this timers should be a unique label for that operation.

e.g. > `console.time("test")` → > `console.timeEnd("test")`

The `util` module has some more handy options, e.g. There is a `debuglog` → if you wish to write debug errors (conditionally) to `stderr` → depending on the existence of the `node debug` variable. e.g.

```
debuglog('HTTP Request: %s', req.url);
const debuglog = util.debuglog('web');
will only be reported if the script was executed with node debug = web
```

\* The `util.deprecate` function can be used to wrap a function, before you export it. To mark that function as deprecated. So this way users of that function or module will get a warning ! The first time they use that function/module.

Let's also take a look at the `util.inherits()` #4. #1. 2018  
method → it was heavily used by node devs, until the introduction of ES6 classes, for inheriting prototype methods from one constructor to another.

```
function StanisAwesome() {}
util.inherits(StanisAwesome, EventEmitter);
StanisAwesome.prototype.write = function(data) {
    this.emit('data', data);
}
```

Old way

New way

```
class StanisnoLongerAwesome extends EventEmitter {
    constructor() {
        super();
    }
    write(data) {
        this.emit('data', data);
    }
}
```

## o Debugging Node o

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So node comes with a built-in debugger that supports single stepping, breakpoints, watchers and much more !!!

To activate the debugger, just call it from the command line.

\$ node debug app.js

You will notice that the node REPL console prints a port number to localhost. Node communicates with the debugger on this port number. You can type help to view node's debugger help info. Node starts the debugger in a break state, which means you will need to continue execution.

\* You can place a debugger line anywhere in your node code. This will tell the debugger to break at that line. \* When you reach the end of the script, you can restart the debugger -> debug > restart.

Set a breakpoint using the sb command. e.g.

debug> sb(2)

By using sb and passing the line number, you have basically told node's debugger to set a breakpoint on that line.

\* Once you set the breakpoint on a line number, you can continue by using the (cont) command. \* The debugger can break at the point and you can now inspect anything accessible to the script at that point.

```
function negativeSummation(...args) {
  return args.reduce((arg, total) => {
    return total - arg;
  }, 0);
}

console.log((negativeSummation, 1, 3, 11));
//this is not working? So lets use the debugger to
//step through the code!
```



You should now be able to inspect anything from that point e.g. `sb(2)` using node's REPL command. e.g. [debug > repl] \* say you have a variable called `args`; you can inspect that variable by typing it in to the debug repl command line, e.g. [ > args ]

Say you have a loop and you don't wish to inspect every expression that the loop produces, you can instead use the 'watch' command. [ > watch('args') ] \* i.e. the logic loops through the `args` array's values [ > watch('total') ]

This should "watch" the values in `total` and `args`, if the value at `index[0]` is not the expected value, then you most likely have a logic error/bug in your order of operations etc... Here the order in the arguments of the callbacks are wrong.

\* To use the experimental `debug-chrome-addon` → try this at the command line \* "chrome-dev-tools"

```
$ node --inspect --debug-brk app.js
```

\* you should get an url link to open in chrome, and you can use the chrome dev tools w/ used with node scripts !!!



```
$ node debug negativeSummation.js
(node:18124) [DEP0068] DeprecationWarning: `node debug` is deprecated.
Please use
`node inspect` instead.
< Debugger listening on ws://127.0.0.1:9229/14f57090-774a-40b4-820a-
9a83cd90e7b3
```

```
< For help see https://nodejs.org/en/docs/inspector
Break on start in negativeSummation.js:1
> 1 (function (exports, require, module, __filename, __dirname) { function
negat
iveSummation(...args) {
  2   return args.reduce((arg, total) => {
    3     return total - arg;
debug>
```

## • Working with Streams in Node •

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If you're going to be working with large amounts of data in Node, means you will be working with streams. To quote Dominic Tarr, "Streams are Node's best and most misunderstood idea." There are many npm packages available to devs for making working with streams easier. We will be focusing on the native node stream API. Take for example the pipe feature in Unix. You can create powerful Unix/Linux commands by piping smaller commands. The idea is the same with streams in Node.

\* Many of the built-in modules in Node implement the streaming interface.

### Readable Streams

- http resp, on the client
- http requests, on the server
- fs read streams
- zlib streams
- crypto streams
- TCP sockets
- child process stdout & stderr
- process.stdin

### Writable Streams

- http responses, on the client
- http requests, on the server
- fs write streams
- zlib streams
- crypto streams
- TCP sockets
- child process stdin
- process.stdout, process.stderr

\* you can see there are inverse relationships within the list.  
Basically one object produces, and the other object consumes.  
vice versa \*

## So what the heck is a stream?

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"Streams are collections of data that might not be available all at once and don't have to fit in memory"  
- Microsoft Clippy



Collections of data like arrays and strings but with the difference being that the data is not available all at once. Streams are powerful because you don't have to store the data in memory, which is good for large amounts of data (huge chunks of data, or data coming from an external source).

\* you can use the fs module's stream interface to read & write streams!  
Remember that the response object in node is also a writable stream.  
So say, you have an ASCII text file that is 450 megabytes. It would be highly inefficient to load all that in memory and serve it all at once. \* Remember time & timeEnd for streaming time intervals over http? \* This is basically the same use of those type of methods.

The fs module allows to pipe any file using the createReadStream method which you pipe into the writable stream, e.g. src.pipe(res);

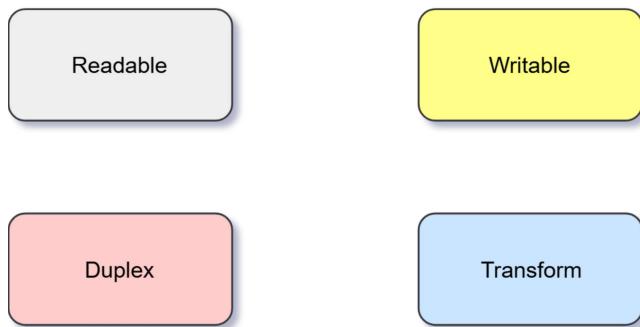
```
const fs = require('fs');
const server = require('http').createServer();

server.on('request', (req, res) => {
  const src = fs.createReadStream('./giganticFile.txt');
  src.pipe(res); // here we're piping the contents of the file to the res obj
});
```

```
server.listen(8888);
```

## Four Types of Streams in Node

Types of Streams



\* Types of Streams \*

A readable stream - is an abstraction for a source in which data can be consumed. e.g. `fs.createReadStream` method.

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A writable stream - is an abstraction for a destination to which data can be written. e.g. `fs.createWriteStream` method.

A Duplex stream - is both readable and writable, e.g a `socket`, `net.socket`

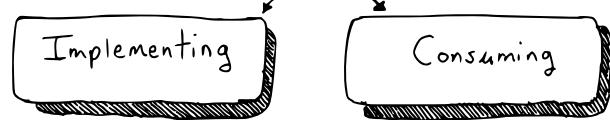
A transform stream - is basically a duplex stream that can used to modify or transform data as it is being read. e.g. `zlib.createGzip` stream. `zlib.createGzip` stream compresses data using G-zip.  
\* You can think of a transform stream as a function, where the input is the writable Stream part, and the output is the readable Stream part. \* Sometimes you may hear of transform streams as "through" streams.

\* All Streams are instances of Event Emitter \*

This means that all streams are Event Emitters. You can consume streams using the `pipe` method. e.g. `src.pipe(dst)`; Here the readable stream `src` is being piped to a writable stream (`dst`) destination. `src`(source) has to a readable stream, and (`dst`) destination has to be a writable stream. \* They can be both duplex streams as well. \*\*\* If you're piping duplex streams - You can chain pipe calls !!!

Just like piping in linux !!!  
 So in linux it will look like this ->  
 a' b' c' d'  
 in node it will look like this ->  
 a.pipe(b).pipe(c).pipe(d); a pipe into b, b into c, and  
 finally c is piped into d. \* given that b and c are both duplex  
 streams. \* It is advised to use either pipes or events, but not  
 both at the same time. (mixing them) usually when you're using pipes  
 you don't need to use events. If you need to consume streams in  
 a more customized fashion -> then use events.  
 \*\*\* Streams \*\*\* - When talking about streams in node, there  
 are two main differences

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require('stream')

piping / events

There is the task of implementing streams, and then there is the task of consuming streams. Stream Implementers usually use the stream module. For consuming all you need to do is listen to the stream event or use pipe.

Readable & Writable streams have functions that are related -> Which means they are usually used together

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Readable Streams	Writable Streams
Events	Events
- data	- drain
- end	- finish
* - error	- error
* - close	- close
- readable	- pipe / unpipe
Functions()	Functions()
- pipe(), unpipe()	- write()
- read(), unshift(), resume()	- end()
- pause(), isPaused()	- cork(), uncork()
- setEncoding()	- setDefaultEncoding()

Some events are similar, like error and close events. The most important events on the readable Stream are the data event. - which is emitted whenever an event passes a chunk of data to the consumer and the 'end' event which is emitted when there is no more data to be consumed from the stream. \* The most important events on the writable stream are the drain event which is a signal that the writable stream can receive more data.

And the 'finish' event which is emitted when all the data has been flushed out to the underlying system. #4. Ø4. 2Ø18

\* To consume a readable stream, use either `pipe()`, `unpipe()` methods or `read()`, `unshift()`, `resume()` methods.  
 \* To consume a writable Stream → use the `write()` method and call the `end()` method to close and finish the stream.

• Readable Streams → have 2 main modes, that affect how we consume them. They can be either in Paused mode or flowing mode; Sometimes referred to as push/pull modes.  
 ★ All Readable Streams start at the paused mode. \* They can be switched back to flowing and then back again to Paused.  
 [ Paused ] → in paused mode, you have to use the `.read()` method. i.e `stream.read();`

[ Flowing ] → while in the flowing mode, the data is continuously flowing. You will have to listen to events to consume it.

In the flowing mode - data can actually be lost -- when there are no data handlers to consume! i.e consumers to handle flowing data.  
 ★ This is why when you have a readable stream in flowing mode you will need a data event handler. \* Just by adding a data event handler switches the paused stream into flowing mode. Removing the data event handler switches it back to pause mode.

```
//readStream2.js
const { Readable } = require('stream'); // implement a readable stream, requir

const streamIn = new Readable({
  read(size) {
    setTimeout(() => {
      if(this.currentCharCode > 90){ //stop at letter z
        this.push(null);
        return;
      }
      this.push(String.fromCharCode(this.currentCharCode++));
    }, 100);
  }
});

streamIn.currentCharCode = 65;
streamIn.pipe(process.stdout);
```

```
//writeStream.js
const { Writable } = require('stream');

const streamOut = new Writable({
  write(chunk, encoding, callback) {
    console.log(chunk.toString());
    callback();
  }
});
```

```
    }
});

// basically anything this receives will echo right back.
process.stdin.pipe(streamOut); // piping stdin which is a readable stream into
```

At bash, type node readStream3.js | head -c3

```
//readStream3.js
//run this on linux
const { Readable } = require('stream'); // implement a readable stream, require

const streamIn = new Readable({
  read(size) {
    setTimeout(() => {
      if(this.currentCharCode > 90){ //stop at letter z
        this.push(null);
        return;
      }
      this.push(String.fromCharCode(this.currentCharCode++));
    }, 100);
  }
});

streamIn.currentCharCode = 65;
streamIn.pipe(process.stdout);

process.on('exit', () => {
  console.error(`\n\n${streamIn.currentCharCode}`);
});
//stdout is not a tty got this on git-bash for win
process.stdout.on('error', process.exit); //register an error on stdout, and c
```

## \* Duplex Streams !!!!

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With duplex streams - you can implement both readable and writable streams with the same object. It's like you can inherit from both interfaces. For every duplex stream, you will have to implement both read/write streams. So e.g. You can create a node script that can write a message to console and read input with `stdin` → at the same time, and echo the user input at the same time.

\* `process.stdin.pipe(streamINnOut).pipe(process.stdout);`

here the standard in is piped into the duplex stream (to echo) and pipe the duplex stream itself into the standard out. (for reading letters A-Z)

\* Very Important → The readable and writable sides of a duplex stream - operate completely independent of each other.

{Here we are just grouping two features into an object}

A transform Stream's output is computed from its input. In a transform method, you don't have to implement read and/or write. You only have to combine a transform method, that will combine both of them. It has a signature of a write method → and with this you can push data, as well.

```
const { Transform } = require('stream');          #4. #4. 2 #18
```

```
const upperCaseTr = new Transform({  
  transform(chunk, encoding, callback) {  
    this.push(chunk.toString().toUpperCase());  
    callback();  
  }  
});  
process.stdin.pipe(upperCaseTr).pipe(process.stdout);
```

here we're just converting the chunk (within the transform method) to an uppercase version, and then the uppercase version will be pushed as the readable part. \* You will still have to call the callback!!! So basically what this code is doing is the same echo, but converting the user input to all uppercase, yay !!!

Z lib.createGzip()

```
function  
const fs = require('fs');  
const zlib = require('zlib');  
const file = process.argv[2];  
fs.createReadStream(file).pipe(zlib.createGzip())  
  .pipe(fs.createWriteStream(file + '.gz'));
```

This script just compresses a file and writes it back into the file system.

\* here the script reads a file name from the argument (vector) i.e. `process.argv[2]`; Then creates a read stream from the file name (`fs.createReadStream(file)`) → and pipe the streaming file into the transform stream [`.pipe(zlib.createGzip())`] → which is then piped to a writable stream on the file system using the same file name with `'.gz'` extension. \* Another cool thing about pipes, is that you can combine them with events \* e.g. you wish to `console.log` a "completed" message to the end user. i.e. When the node script is done writing the compressed data. To do this, you will use the 'finish' event, i.e. on the writable stream. The [`.pipe(fs.createWriteStream(file + '.gz'))`] returns the destination → you can just chain a `(.)` call with a finish event [`.pipe(fs.createWriteStream(file + 'gz')).on('finish', () => console.log('Completed'))`];

\* Say you wish to give the user a progress bar. You can use the data event on the duplex Stream → which indicates that progress has been made compressing data.  
`[ .on('data', () => process.stdout.write('.')) ]`

So with pipes you can consume streams and further customize interactions with events. What's powerful with pipes -> You can use it to compose your program, piece by piece. So instead of listening to a data event. You can create a transform Stream to report progress...

```
//stanZip2.js
const fs = require('fs');
const zlib = require('zlib');
const file = process.argv[2];

fs.createReadStream(file)
  .pipe(zlib.createGzip())
  .on('data', () => process.stdout.write('•')) //listening to data and update
  .pipe(fs.createWriteStream(file + '.gz'))
  .on('finish', () => console.log('Completed'));
```

## console output

```
$ node stanZip2.js tux.txt
••Completed
```

```

const progress = new Transform ({
  transform(chunk, encoding, callback) {
    process.stdout.write('0');
    callback(null, chunk);
  }
});

```

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here we created a transform stream to report progress. It's just a pass through stream, but it also will report the progress to standard out. [1] notice how we used the 2nd argument to push the data. Now you can pipe the 'zlib' stream into (progress) -> so it can report the progress. What if you wish to encrypt the file after you gzip it? That's easy, all you have to do is pipe another transform stream. The crypto module has you covered! You can pipe your compressed file to the crypto transform stream. All you have to do is add it to the pipe chain.

```
.pipe(zlib.createGzip()).pipe(crypto.createCipher('aes192', 'a_secret'))
```

\* To unencrypt, you will have to use the streams in opposite linear fashion. Use the createDecipher() -> createGunzip

```
//stanZip3.js
const fs = require('fs');
const zlib = require('zlib');
const file = process.argv[2];
const crypto = require('crypto');

const { Transform } = require('stream');

const progress = new Transform({
  transform(chunk, encoding, callback) {
    process.stdout.write('0');
    callback(null, chunk);
  }
});

fs.createReadStream(file)
  .pipe(zlib.createGzip())
  .pipe(crypto.createCipher('aes192', 'a_secret'))
  .pipe(progress)
  .pipe(fs.createWriteStream(file + '.zz'))
  .on('finish', () => console.log('Completed'));
```



Child processes and Clusters Ø4. Ø5. 2Ø18  
 Single threaded - non-blocking performance is awesome!  
 But eventually one process on one CPU is not going to be enough  
 to handle an increasing workload of an application. It doesn't  
 matter how powerful your server could be, what a single  
 thread can support is limited.

\* Scaling Node Apps -- The advantage of node's  
 single thread is the ability to take advantage of multiple processes  
 and multiple machines. \* Using multiple processes is the only way to  
 scale a node application.

\* Node is designed for building distributed applications with many  
nodes. Hence, the name - Node JS. Scalability is not some  
 afterthought when it comes to Node. Scalability is baked  
 into node.

Workload is one of the popular reasons for scaling  
 applications. Availability would be another, and fault tolerance

It is important to understand and discuss Strategies for  
 Scalability. There are mainly 3 things that you can do  
 to scale an application.

### Scalability Strategies - cont... Ø4. Ø5. 2Ø18

Cloning (the application) - is the easiest approach to scale  
 an application - multiple times and have each cloned instance  
 handle a part of the workload. \* Does not cost much dev  
 time & is highly effective.

Decomposing : is another way an application can be scaled  
 up. i.e decomposing the application based on functionality &  
 services. {microservices} This means having multiple application's  
 with their own dedicated code-bases and databases, {along with  
 user interfaces} The size of the service is not important -  
 rather the enforcement of loose coupling & high cohesion between  
 services. The implementation of this strategy is not easy.

Splitting : Another awesome strategy - in which the application is split into multiple instances, in which each instance is responsible of only a portion of the applications data. This strategy is called "horizontal partitioning." - Sharding in database terms. + This requires a "lookup" step to see which instance of the application to use -> e.g. Say you wish to partition users according to language or country -- you would have to look up this info first.

## Child Processes events and Standard IO Ø4. Ø6. 2Ø18

It is easy to spin child processes in Node, i.e. using the child process node module. These child processes can communicate with each other via a messaging system.

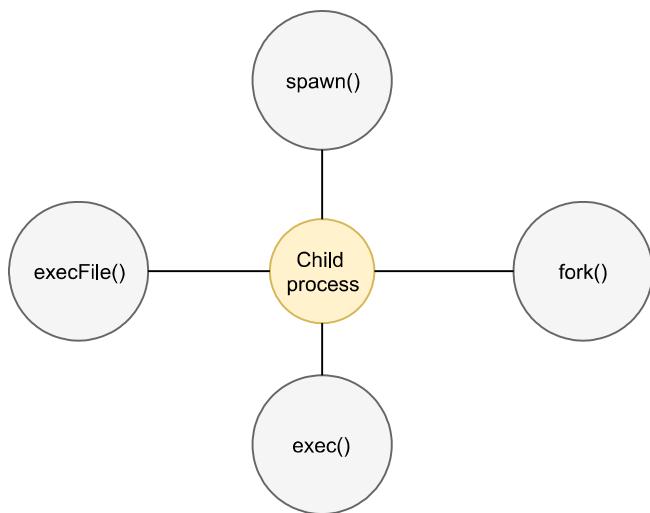
\* Node and the OS \*

The child process module allows the dev to access Operating System functionalities by running any system command while running inside the child process, e.g. using shell.exec to start Webdriver. Furthermore, control the input stream, and listen in on the output stream. You can control the arguments passed to the command, and do whatever we want with its output. e.g. You can pipe the input of one command into another command as all inputs and outputs of these commands can be presented to the dev using node streams. There are 4 different ways you can create child processes in node.

\* Spawn \* fork \* exec \* execFile

(Remember these are all functions)

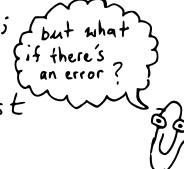
Are you friends with the Jenkins man?



The `Spawn()` method launches a command in a new process - and can that command can be passed as arguments. e.g. this code will spawn a new process that will execute the Linux `list` command.

```
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
```

Here we have destructured the `spawn` function from the `child_process` module and execute as a command with the first argument.



The result of this `spawn` function is a child process instance which implements Node's event emitter API. This means you can register handlers for events on this child object directly, e.g. when the child process ends. (or if there is an error condition coming from the spawned process, e.g. the selenium-webdriver.jar is crashing. A try/catch will not work, because the spawn process was successful. So the code will continue to execute ~ and the Jenkins server will mark the test script as passed !!! Just like it has in January of 2017 for the 2018 test-cases.) Going back to registering a handler for the event(s) of a child process. We can implement an event handler on any signal that is used to terminate the child process.

```
//spawnList.js
```

```
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
const child = spawn('ls');

child.on('exit', function (code, signal) {
  console.log(`child process exited with code ${code}, ${signal}`)); //here i
//test will be marked as failed.
```

The other events you can register handlers for i.e. this child process instance are → disconnect, error, message, close

- The disconnect is triggered when the parent process manually calls the child disconnect method. While an error event is triggered if a process can't be spawned or killed. Finally, the message event is important to understand.

The message event is triggered when the child process uses the process.send() method to send messages. \* This is how parent-child processes can communicate with each other \*

The close event is emitted when the standard I/O stream of a child process get closed. Every child process gets 3 standard I/O streams - which can be accessed using child.stdin, child.stdout, child.stderr. When the standard I/O of a child process close - the close event is triggered - which is not the same as the exit event. i.e multiple child processes may share the same standard I/O streams. Also just because a child processes exited does not mean that the stream was closed.

Since all streams are event emitters - you can listen to different events on those streams attached to every child process. Unlike a normal process - a child process stdout and stderr are Readable, while stdin is writable - this is the inverse of the types found in a normal process.

Most important - the events on the mentioned streams are the standard ones. On the readable streams you can listen to the data event, which will have the output of the command or any error encountered while executing the command.

e.g.

```
{ child.stdout.on('data', (data) => {
  console.log(`child stdout: \n${data}`);
});
child.stderr.on('data', (data) => {
  console.log(`child stderr: \n${data}`);
});
```

These two handlers will log both cases to the main process standard out and standard error. When the script is executed the output of the ls command is printed and the child process exits with code 0; meaning no error occurred.

You can also pass an array of arguments to the spawn command.  
`const child = spawn('ls', [...]);` Say for example to find all files in your working directory - use the linux command \$ find . -type f. To use this in node, use the spawn process.

```
const child = spawn('find', ['.','-type', 'f']);
```

```
//spawnPipeWC.js
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
const child = spawn('wc');
```

```
process.stdin.pipe(child.stdin);
```

```
child.stdout.on('data', (data) => {
```



```
        console.log(`child stdout:\n${data}`);
    });
}
```

★ If there is an error during the execution of the command, the stderr event will be triggered - and a code 1, will be emitted to the OS. (linux)

A child process stdin is a writable stream. It can be used to send a command some input. Just like any writable stream the easiest way to consume it → is using the pipe function. i.e when we pipe a readable stream into a writable one. Since the top level process stdin is a readable stream, you can pipe that to a child process stdin stream. e.g.

```
const child = spawn('wc');
process.stdin.pipe(child.stdin)
```

Here we pipe the main process stdin (readable stream) to the child process stdin which is a writable stream.

So whatever you type will become the input for the wc command. You can also pipe the stdin and stdout on multiple processes on each other just like you can do in linux. e.g. You can pipe the [find command] to the standard in of the WC command (stdin) to count all the files in the current directory. All that needs to be done → is define both child processes and pipe the output of the first one to the input of the 2nd one.

```
//spwnPipeFindWC.js
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
const find = spawn('find', ['.','-type','f']);
const wc = spawn('wc', ['-l']);

process.stdin.pipe(wc.stdin);

wc.stdout.on('data', (data) => {
    console.log(`child stdout:\n${data}`);
});
```



Shell syntax, exec(), & execFile() #4. #8. 2018  
 By default the spawn method does not create a shell to execute the command that's passed to it. Making it more efficient than the exec method. (which does create a shell) \* Another major difference in exec vs spawn -> exec method buffers the command's generated output and passes the whole value to a callBack function.  
 Since exec uses the shell -> You can use the default pipe [2]  
`exec('find . -type f | wc -l', (err, stdout, stderr) => {})`

Here exec buffers the output [1] and passes it to the stdout [2] - - - which is the standard out for the callBack } and the output which is to be printed. If there is an error in the command, the error first argument will be set. Exec is a good choice if you need to use shell syntax, and providing that the data is not too large. Because the data is buffered by exec. Use spawn when the data is large, because the data will be streamed with the standard I/O objects. You can make the child process inherit the standard I/O objects of its parents. This code will spawn the find command but inherit the process stdin and stdout, stderr.

```
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
const child = spawn('find', ['./', '-type', 'f'], {
  stdio: 'inherit'
});
```

When this code is executed, the data event will be triggered on the process

```
//spawnFind.js
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
const child = spawn('find', ['./', '-type', 'f'], {
  stdio: 'inherit'
});
```

~(process.stdout) ~ allowing the script to output the results out right away. \* If you want to use the shell #4. #9. 2018 syntax and still get the advantage of streaming data that the spawn method gives you -> Then use the shell option, i.e set it to true. e.g. shell: true. This way spawn will still use the shell but it won't buffer the data. ~ Which is the best of both worlds! e.g.

```
const child = spawn('find . -type f | wc -l', {
  stdio: 'inherit',
  shell: true,
  cwd: '/Users/stan/UFOstuff'
});
```

Another option would be to use env option, e.g. } Now any command will have access to the current process environment by default  
 const child = spawn('echo \$HOME', { stdio: 'inherit', shell: true, })

← you can add an empty object for env (like so env: {}, and now the command will not have access to the parent process env object anymore.)

Doing this overrides the behavior of the default [env process (1)] You can use the env option to manually define environment variables and access them in a child command. const child = spawn('echo \$ans'); ↳ env: { ans: '21' }, {};

lets take a look at the detached option #4. #9. 2018  
 This option allows the child process to run independently of its parent process. (this behavior depends on the underlying OS)  
 e.g. on Windows, the detached process will have its own console window. While in Linux the detached child process will be made the leader of a new process group session.  
 If the `unref` method is called on the detached process, the parent process can exit independently of the child which can be useful if the child is executing a long running process but to keep it running in the background the child's stdio configuration also has to be independent of the parent.

```
const { spawn } = require('child_process');
const child = spawn('node', ['timer.js'], {
  detached: true,
  stdio: 'ignore'
});
child.unref();
```

This will run a node script in the background by detaching and ignoring its parent's stdio file descriptor. This way the parent can terminate, while the child can keep running in the background. You will see that the `timer.js` is still running. [ \$ ps -ef | grep timer ] \* Now say you want to execute a file without using a shell, the exec file is what you would use.

It basically works like the `exec` method, but without the shell, thus being more efficient. i.e. `execFile()` → but behaviors like I/O redirection and file clobbering are not supported. On Windows some files cannot be used, e.g. \*.bat, \*.cmd exec or `spawn` with shell set to true will suffice. All the child process module functions have synchronous blocking versions that will wait until the `spawn` process exists. (useful for simplifying scripting tasks or any start up processing tasks.) ( #4. #9. 2018 )

### The `fork()` function

The `fork` function is a variation of the `spawn` function. The biggest difference between `spawn()` and `fork()` is that a communication channel is established to the child process when using the `fork()`. So you can use the `send` method on the forked process and the global process object, to exchange messages between the parent and forked processes with an interface similar to the `event emitter` module. In the `parent.js` module, we `fork 'child.js'` and listen on the `message` event, which will be triggered anytime the child uses `process.send`, which is being done every second. To pass down messages from the parent to the child → we execute the `send` function on the forked object itself e.g. `forked.send({ hola!: 'multiverse' })`; while in the child we listen to the `message` event i.e. on the global process object. `process.on('message', (msg) => {`

```
//parent.js
const { fork } = require('child_process');
const forked = fork('child.js');

forked.on('message', (msg) => {
  console.log('Message from child', msg);
});
```

```
forked.send({ hola: 'multiverse' });
```

```
//child.js
process.on('message', (msg) => {
  console.log('Message from parent:', msg);
});

let counter = 0;

setInterval(() => {
  process.send({ counter: counter++ });
}, 1000);
```

Say you have an http server, that handles multiple endpoints. One of these endpoints is computationally expensive and will take a few seconds to complete, which we can simulate with this long for loop -> for (let i=0; i < 1e9; i++) {}. So when the ~~http/compute~~ endpoint is requested the server will not be able to handle any other requests because the event loop is busy with the long for-loop operation. We should move this "heavy" computational job to another process, using fork. Move the whole job to a file and then within the node script fork that file. And use the message interface to communicate with that file. i.e the server and the forked process. So when we receive a request we will send a message to the forked process to start processing. \* The forked process can read the message, using the message event on the global process object. In the file we will call the "long" operation. The operation will return its result to the parent process via process.send(). \* In the parent process we just listen to the message event on the forked process itself. Once the forked file is complete, the parent will be listening and will send that result to the requesting http process. This code is limited by the number of processes we can fork. But when you execute the code you will notice that the server is not blocked at all. The server is able to take further requests. Node's cluster module is based on the idea child process forking and load balancing the requests on the many forks you can create.

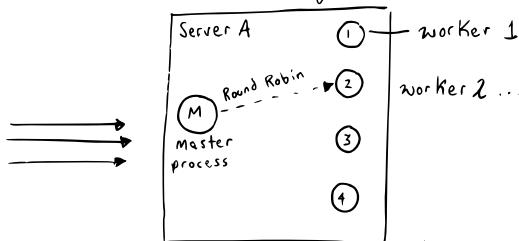
*Cluster Module - is used to enable load-balancing over an environment of multiple CPU cores. It's based on the `fork` function. It allows you to fork your main operation (application) process over as many times as you have CPU cores.*

- \* It will then take over and load-balance all requests to the main process across all forked processes. The cluster module is node's helper for you to implement the "Cloning" Scalability Strategy \* but only on one machine \* So if you have a big machine with a lot of resources or when it's easier to add more resources to one machine rather than adding new machines. Then the cluster module is a great choice for implementing the cloning strategy. Most machines have multiple cores. Even if you are not worried about load on your node Server, you should enable the cluster module anyway. This will increase your scalability and fault tolerance. It's a simple step - when using a process manager like pm2 - all you have to do is provide an argument to the launch command. We will look at the native implementation of the cluster module.

The first thing that occurs when using the cluster module.

#1 We create a master process, forks a number of worker processes and manages them. Each worker process represents an instance of the application you are scaling. All incoming requests are handled by the master process. The master process decides which worker process should handle

-incoming requests. The master process job is easy. It just uses a round robin algorithm to pick a worker process. [this is enabled on default, except on windows) it can be globally modified for the load balancing to be handled by the operating system itself.



The round robin algo distributes the load evenly across all available processes on a rotational basis. The first request is forwarded to the first worker process - the 2nd, to the next worker process and so on... And when the end of the list is reached the algo starts over again. There are more featured algorithms allowing assigning priorities, selecting the least loaded server or the one with the fastest response rate ... etc.

lets Load Balance a simple http Server!

```
//HttpServer.js
const http = require('http');
const pid = process.pid;

http.createServer((req, res) => {
  for (let i=0; i<1e7; i++); //to simulate CPU work
  res.end(`Work handled by process ${pid}`);
}).listen(8080, () => {
```

```
    console.log(`Beginning process start ${pid}`);
});
```

## Apache AB on a Windows machine

```
C:\xampp\apache\bin>ab -c200 -t10 http://localhost:8080/
This is ApacheBench, Version 2.3 <$Revision: 1807734 $>
Copyright 1996 Adam Twiss, Zeus Technology Ltd, http://www.zeustech.net/
Licensed to The Apache Software Foundation, http://www.apache.org/
```



```
Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
Finished 1442 requests
```

Server Software:

Server Hostname: localhost  
Server Port: 8080

Document Path: /  
Document Length: 28 bytes

Concurrency Level: 200  
Time taken for tests: 10.002 seconds  
Complete requests: 1442  
Failed requests: 0  
Total transferred: 148526 bytes  
HTML transferred: 40376 bytes  
Requests per second: 144.17 [#/sec] (mean)  
Time per request: 1387.246 [ms] (mean)  
Time per request: 6.936 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)  
Transfer rate: 14.50 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)

	min	mean[+/-sd]	median	max
Connect:	0	1 12.6	0	478
Processing:	1100	1239 303.8	1133	2479
Waiting:	1100	1239 303.8	1133	2479
Total:	1100	1240 304.0	1133	2480

Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)

50%	1133
66%	1137
75%	1146
80%	1154
90%	1678
95%	2095
98%	2329

```
99%    2403
100%   2480 (longest request)
```

C:\xampp\apache\bin>

\$ ab -c 200 -t 10 http://localhost:8080/ Φ4.10.2018  
 here we will load the server with 200 concurrent connections,  
 for 10 seconds. This little node server was able to handle  
 144.17 requests per second. Results will vary. But we will use  
 this result as our reference measurement.

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Now we will run ab on cluster.js  
 As you can see that cluster.js is able to handle 315.26  
 requests per second. In cluster.js we called the cluster.  
 fork() method, which will create as many number of workers  
 as there are cpus. Which will take advantage of all the  
 available processing power. When the cluster.fork() line is  
 executed from the master process, the current main module,  
cluster.js is run again but this time in worker mode, with  
 the isMaster flag set to false. We will require our http  
 Server.

★ In this load test the requests per minute is at 298

```
//cluster.js
const cluster = require('cluster');
const os = require('os');
```

```
if (cluster.isMaster) {
  const cpus = os.cpus().length;

  console.log(`Forking for ${cpus} CPUs`);
  for (let i = 0; i < cpus; i++) {
    cluster.fork();
  }
} else {
  require('./HttpServer');
}
```

```
C:\xampp\apache\bin>ab -c200 -t10 http://localhost:8080/
This is ApacheBench, Version 2.3 <$Revision: 1807734 $>
Copyright 1996 Adam Twiss, Zeus Technology Ltd, http://www.zeustech.net/
Licensed to The Apache Software Foundation, http://www.apache.org/
```

Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
 Finished 2989 requests

Server Software:

Server Hostname: localhost

Server Port: 8080

Document Path: /

Document Length: 28 bytes

Concurrency Level: 200

Time taken for tests: 10.003 seconds

Complete requests: 2989

Failed requests: 0

Total transferred: 307867 bytes

HTML transferred: 83692 bytes

Requests per second: 298.82 [#/sec] (mean)

Time per request: 669.296 [ms] (mean)

Time per request: 3.346 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)

Transfer rate: 30.06 [Kbytes/sec] received

#### Connection Times (ms)

	min	mean[+/-sd]	median	max
Connect:	0	0	0.5	0
Processing:	85	645	107.6	661
Waiting:	81	644	107.7	660
Total:	85	645	107.6	795

#### Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)

50%	661
66%	685
75%	696
80%	703
90%	735
95%	766
98%	776
99%	779
100%	795 (longest request)

C:\xampp\apache\bin>

Broadcasting Messages to all Workers #4.22.2018  
The communication between the master process and workers is pretty simple. The cluster module is using the child process fork api - which means we are using communication channels between the worker and master.  
We can access the list of worker objects using cluster.workers e.g. console.dir(cluster.workers, {depth: 0}); which is an object that holds references to the workers each object holds a reference to each worker and can be used to read information on those workers. To broadcast a message to all the workers → create a loop, iterate through an object values array. Node has this → Object.values(cluster.workers).forEach(worker => {});

```
//BroadCast/cluster.js
const cluster = require('cluster');
const os = require('os');

if (cluster.isMaster) {
  const cpus = os.cpus().length;

  console.log(`Forking for ${cpus} CPUs`);
  for (let i = 0; i < cpus; i++) {
    cluster.fork();
  }

  console.dir(cluster.workers, { depth: 0 });
  Object.values(cluster.workers).forEach(worker => {
    worker.send(`Hi Worker ${worker.id}`);
  });
} else {
  require('./HttpServer');
}
```

## Terminal Output for BroadCasting messages via fork api in cluster.js

```
$ node cluster.js
Forking for 4 CPUs
{ '1': [Object], '2': [Object], '3': [Object], '4': [Object] }
Beginning process start 5980
Beginning process start 9816
Beginning process start 7144
Beginning process start 3212
```

```
//BroadCast/HttpServer.js broadcasting messages!
const http = require('http');
const pid = process.pid;

http.createServer((req, res) => {
  for (let i=0; i<1e7; i++); //to simulate CPU work
  res.end(`Work handled by process ${pid}`);

}).listen(8080, () => {
  console.log(`Beginning process start ${pid}`);
});

process.on('message', msg => {
```

```
console.log(`Message from master: ${msg}`);
});
```

messages are not in order

```
$ node cluster.js
Forking for 4 CPUs
{ '1': [Object], '2': [Object], '3': [Object], '4': [Object] }
Message from master: Hi Worker 1
Beginning process start 428
Message from master: Hi Worker 2
Message from master: Hi Worker 3
Beginning process start 7192
Message from master: Hi Worker 4
Beginning process start 8336
Beginning process start 7092
```



We're gonna make a more practical app !!! p4.22.2018

The product owner has asked us to have the server reply with the number of users we have created in our database.

Acceptance criteria: A function (mock) that returns a number of users that is in the database, and double its value every time it's called.

So the first thing we should do is cache our db requests as to avoid multiple requests to the db. So let's cache the call at ten seconds. We don't want each worker to make their own request per ten seconds. We will have the master process do one request, which will communicate to each worker (on my machine → 4 cpus) the new value i.e. the user count using the communication interface. \* In the process master mode, create a function named update workers \* And use a loop to broadcast the updated value (this time, instead of a text message) and then add an invoke workers function that will update, every ten seconds with a timer. So now every ten seconds all workers will receive a new value over the process communication channel. In the Http server code, we would use this value with the message variable \${msg}

We can create a variable that is global to the p4.22.2018 the Http Server module & we can use it anywhere we want. We will also respond using the same variable.

\* The user count variable is controlled by the message interface. The master process \* i.e. cluster.js - resets the value of the user count variable every 10 seconds by invoking the mock db call.

```
//cluster2.js
const cluster = require('cluster');
const os = require('os');

//make db call (mock)
const usersDB = function() {
  this.count = this.count || 5;
  this.count = this.count * this.count;
  return this.count;
}
if (cluster.isMaster) {
  const cpus = os.cpus().length;

  console.log(`Forking for ${cpus} CPUs`);
  for (let i = 0; i < cpus; i++) {
    cluster.fork();
  }

  const updateWorkers = () => {
    console.dir(cluster.workers, { depth: 0 });
    const usersCount = usersDB();
    Object.values(cluster.workers).forEach(worker => {
      worker.send({usersCount}); //broadcast number of users
    });
  };
}

setInterval(updateWorkers, 1000); //update workers on 10 second interval, ever
} else {
  require('./HttpServer2');
}
```

```
//HttpServer2.js
const http = require('http');
const pid = process.pid;

let usersCount; //variable is set at the global level

http.createServer((req, res) => {
  for (let i=0; i<1e7; i++); //to simulate CPU work
  res.write(`Work handled by process ${pid}`); //changed write to output both
  res.end(`Users: ${usersCount}`); //here the userCounts variable is controlled
}).listen(8080, () => {
  console.log(`Beginning process start ${pid}`);
});
```

```
process.on('message', msg => {
  // console.log(`Message from master: ${msg.toString()}`);
  usersCount = msg.usersCount;
});
// the master process in cluster2.js will reset the userscount every 10 secs t
```

**Availability and zero downtime Restarts** φ4.23.2018  
 When running a single node instance and the instance crashes there will be downtime. You can increase the availability of the application by increasing its instances. If for example a unexpected error occurs on the server process (relative) to the master. i.e a worker process exits. You can notify the master by using the exit event on the cluster object. So we can register a handler for that event.

```
cluster.on('exit', (worker, code, signal) => {
```

here you would fork a new worker process, i.e when any worker process exits. You should add the condition here to make sure the worker process actually crashed and not manually disconnected or killed by the master process. e.g. the master decides that we're using too much resource based on load patterns it detects and it needs to kill some of the worker processes. (use .kill() or .disconnect() on any worker)  
 if (code !== 0 && !worker.exitedAfterDisconnect) {  
 \* here the code will not fork a new worker for that exact case. \* We can also measure the availability using ab (apache benchmark) or BeesWithMachineGuns

In our http server we created a setTimeout() φ5.15.2018 to simulate a crash. And we are able to notify the master using the exit event on the cluster object. So we register a handler on that event and within that block → fork a new worker process.

```
} ▶ cluster.on('exit', (worker, code, signal) =>
```

\* So this way we start a new worker process anytime a worker crashes. It is also important to add a logical condition to the handler to diff between a 'crash' and a legit termination by the master process. e.g. the master proc may decide that too much resources are being consumed by a worker proc. The master may then shutdown the process based on the load patterns it detects. In such a case use the dot kill or dot disconnect. In which the code below will set the disconnect flag to true.

```
e.g.  
} if (code !== 0 && !worker.exitedAfterDisconnect) {  
}
```

When you run the code → you will see that some workers crash.

```
//MasterCluster.js
const cluster = require('cluster');
const os = require('os');
```



```

if (cluster.isMaster){
  const cpus = os.cpus().length;
  for (let i = 0; i < cpus; i++) {
    cluster.fork();
  }

  cluster.on('exit', (worker, code, signal) => {
    if (code !== 0 && !worker.exitedAfterDisconnect) {
      console.log(`Worker ${worker.id} has crashed. ` +
        'Spinning up a new worker...');

      cluster.fork();
    }
  });
} else {
  require('./HttpServer');
}

```

```

//Availability/HttpServer.js
const http = require('http');
const pid = process.pid;

http.createServer((req, res) => {
  for (let i=0; i<1e7; i++); //to simulate CPU work
  res.end(`Work handled by process ${pid}`);

}).listen(8080, () => {
  console.log(`Beginning process start ${pid}`);
});

setTimeout(() => {
  process.exit(1) // kill at random

}, Math.random() * 10000);

```

## Terminal Output

```

$ node MasterCluster.js
Beginning process start 9692
Beginning process start 7092
Beginning process start 5532
Beginning process start 7192
Worker 4 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 6472
Worker 2 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 10716

```

```
Worker 6 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 12180
Worker 1 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 12204
Worker 8 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 796
Worker 5 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 10224
Worker 9 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 10688
Worker 3 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
Beginning process start 11208
Worker 12 has crashed. Spinning up a new worker...
```

## AB terminal output for MasterCluster.js

```
C:\xampp\apache\bin>ab -c200 -t10 http://localhost:8080/
This is ApacheBench, Version 2.3 <$Revision: 1807734 $>
Copyright 1996 Adam Twiss, Zeus Technology Ltd, http://www.zeustech.net/
Licensed to The Apache Software Foundation, http://www.apache.org/

Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
apr_socket_recv: An existing connection was forcibly closed by the remote
host.
(730054)
Total of 482 requests completed
```

But what if the dev wishes to restart all the workers. In this case we have multiple workers running. The best approach would be to restart them one by one. To allow other workers to continue to serve requests while one worker is restarting. The first thing we should do in the master cluster is to add a signal listener e.g >

```
process.on('SIGUSR2', () => {  
    $ kill -SIGUSR2 PID
```

*This could be a good time to brush up on UNIX signals*, here just send a kill signal on the process ID, this way the master process will not be killed. \* Do not use the SIGKILL, cause node's debugger uses that one. You can also watch a process PID file and see if there's a remove event.

So the first thing you should do → create a reference to all current workers using the `clusters.workers` object

- We can now store the workers in an array.

```
const workers = Object.values(cluster.workers);
```

- We will create a restart worker function that receives the index of the worker to be restarted. \* This way we can call the workers in sequence - and restarting

```
const restartWorker = (workerIndex) => { φ5.16. 2φ18
```

} → So this function will now call itself when it's ready to start another worker. To start the sequence we call the function with Index 0 e.g. `restartWorker(0)`; Inside the `restartWorker` function we get a reference to the worker to be restarted, using the `workers` array and the received index, and since this function will be called recursively to form a sequence → add a stop condition { when there is no longer workers then return } and disconnect the worker. Before starting another worker you will need to fork a new worker to replace the one that was just disconnected. You should be able to use the `exit` event on the worker itself to be able to fork a new worker when the other one exits. To do this we should use the `disconnect` flag, e.g.

```
→ if (!worker.exitedAfterDisconnect) return;
```

↑ if this flag is not true, this exit was caused by something other than disconnect in that case, just return. But remember the `fork` process is not synchronous - So you can't just start a new worker (`fork`) after the but instead you should be able to monitor the listening event on the forked worker. → which tells us that this worker is disconnected and ready

When you get this event - you can safely restart the next worker in sequence, "pretty much all you need for 0 downtime to work with a cluster module. \* make sure to console.log the master process ID

```
//zeroDwnTime/MstrCluster.js  
const cluster = require('cluster');
```



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

if (cluster.isMaster){
  const cpus = os.cpus().length;
  for (let i = 0; i < cpus; i++) {
    cluster.fork();
  }

  cluster.on('exit', (worker, code, signal) => {
    if (code !== 0 && !worker.exitedAfterDisconnect) {
      console.log(`Worker ${worker.id} has crashed. ` +
        'Spinning up a new worker...');

      cluster.fork();
    }
  });
}

process.on('SIGUSR2', () => {
  const workers = Object.values(cluster.workers);

  const restartWorker = (workerIndex) => {
    const worker = workers[workerIndex];
    if (!worker)
      return;

    worker.on('exit', () => {
      if (!worker.exitedAfterDisconnect) //set flag if true, fork new worker
      console.log(`Exited process ${worker.process.pid}`);
      cluster.fork().on('Listening ... ', () => {
        restartWorker(workerIndex + 1);
      });
    });
    worker.disconnect();
  };

  restartWorker(0);
});

} else {
  require('./HttpServer');
}
```

## PM2 - is cool!

just use pm2 reload all for zero downtime reload

<https://github.com/Unitech/pm2>

### (3) BDD with Node

Ø3 TDD & BDD with Mocha

Ø2.11.2 Ø19

TDD, is one of the main agile development techniques. TDD is increased quality of code, faster dev time, resulting from greater confidence (on the dev's part) & improved bug detection.

Certain parts such as standalone services Rest APIs should be tested thoroughly by the TDD. UI/user experience should be tested with selenium/puppeteer.

Think about testing as the time saver. With proper tests in place & a bit of time spent on writing them, devs save time in the long term. The longer the long term, the more the payoff. It's not uncommon for a good module to have (2-3x) more tests than the code itself. It's not overkill, it's sound strategy.

BDD → The behavior - driven development is based on TDD. It differs from TDD

in language / interface, which is more natural. Ø2.11.2 Ø19 BDD is the preferred way of writing tests.

e.g. a BDD interface would be 'expect.'  
e.g. expect(response.status).to.equal(201)  
while TDD → with assert →

→ assert.equal(response.status, 201)

Objectives →

- Install Mocha TDD with assert
- BDD with expect.js
- Project : Write the BDD for a blog!

\$ npm -i -g mocha@4.0.1

You can have a separate version of Mocha for each project by pointing to the local version of Mocha

\$ ./node\_modules/.bin/mocha test Ø1

The main process of TDD summed up in 3 steps. φ2. 11. 2019

1. Implement a test

2. Implement the code to make the test pass

3. Verify that the test passes/repeat the cycle.

BDD is a specialized version of TDD that specifies what needs to be unit-tested from the perspective of business requirements  
use mocha → you get

- reporting
- Asynch support
- Rich configurability
- Notifications
- Debugger support
- command interface with before, after
- hooks File watcher support

### Mocha Hooks

a hook is some logic, typically a function with a few statements. φ2. 11. 2019

Mocha has hooks to explore different parts of suites -- before the whole suite, before each test, etc. In addition there are after() & afterEach() hooks. → These will be used for test cleanup, cleanup of database.

All hooks support asynchronous modes. The same is true for tests as well. e.g. 1

// Code Stub 01



But as soon as you add a done parameter to the test's function, the test case waits for the Http request to come back. This is by calling the done() to let Mocha (Jasmine/Jest) understand that if done() is not implemented then the test will time out, because the test runner will not know when it's done. 2

// Code Stub 02



Test cases (`describe`) can be nested #2.11.2019  
 inside other test cases, & hooks such as  
`before` & `beforeEach` can be mixed in with  
 different test cases on different levels.  
 Nesting '`describe`' constructions is a good  
 idea in large test files.  
 Devs who wish to skip a testcase i.e.  
`(describe.skip())` or `it.skip()` or make  
 a test run exclusive → `describe.only()`  
 or `describe.only()`.  
 An alternate to the BDD interfaces '`describe`,  
`it`, `before`, `beforeEach` others, Mocha does also support  
 more traditional TDD interfaces:

- `suite` : Analogous to '`describe`'
- `test` : Analogous to '`it`'
- `setup` : Analogous to '`before`'
- `teardown` : Analogous to '`beforeEach`'
- `suiteTeardown` : Analogous to '`afterEach`'

## BDD with Expect

#2.11.2019

'Expect' is one of the BDD languages. It's very popular because its syntax allows for chaining. It has "better" features vs assert. The purpose is for better understanding/human readability. The 3 amigos can read them. There are 2 flavors of Expect to choose from:

- 1 Standalone : Install as a `expect.js` module

◦ 2 Chai : Install as part of the chai library ~ the latter is recommended. must have your `package.json` already there  
`npm init -y`

`$ npm install chai@4.1.2 --save-exact`

use `import` → `const expect = require('chai').expect`  
 use ES6 destructuring assignment  
`const {expect} = require('chai')`

Each assert assertion can be rewritten 02.11.2019  
with Expect. The idea is to use expect()  
if pass an object we are going to test to  
it as an argument, e.g. → expect(  
(current.length)).

Then use the properties & methods by chaining them  
in some resemblance to the English language.  
e.g. expect(current.length).to.equal(30)

To write this in Chai BDD style → use to.be.true,  
equal & to.equal

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// Code Stub 03



The expect.js is not 100% compatible with  
chai.expect

\$ npm install expect.js

replace the chai expect const {expect}  
= require('chai')

// Code Stub 04



## Old Notes (scanned)

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What is Node.js used for:

Node can be used for a variety of purposes. Because it is based on V8 and highly optimized code to handle HTTP traffic, its most common use is a webserver. Node can also be used for a variety of other web services such as:

- Web services API such as REST, Real-time multiplayer games
- Backend web services such as cross-domain server side requests.
- Web based applications
- Multi-client communications such as IM

Looking at the Node.js installation location in the installation location you will see a couple executable files and the node-modules folder, node, npm, node-modules folder

A node packaged Module is a packaged library that can easily be shared, reused, and installed in different projects. There are different modules available for a variety of purposes. e.g. The mongoose module provides an ODM for MongoDB, Express extends Node's HTTP capabilities, and so on.

Each Node packaged Module includes a package.json file that defines the packages. The package.json file includes informational metadata such as the name, version, author, and contributors, as well as control metadata such as dependencies and other requirements. The node Package Manager will use when performing actions such as installation and publishing.

Understanding the node package Registry - It is a managed location where packages are registered. The registry allows you to publish your own packages in a location where others can use them as well as download packages that others have created.

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The node package manager allows you to find, install, remove, publish etc. it provides a link between the Node package registry and your development environment. To look up example npm commands e.g. - pack

using package.json

- All node modules must include a package.json file in their root directory.

PackageJson - is a simple JSON text file that defines a module, includes including dependencies. The package.json file can contain a number of different directives to tell node the package Manager how to handle the module.

Common Directives :	name	Unique name of module
	preferGlobal	Indicator that the module prefers to be installed globally
	version	Version of module
	author	
	description	
	contributors	additional contributors
	bin	binary to be installed with the project.
	scripts	
	main	
	repository	
	<del>keywords</del>	
	dependencies	
	engines	

Creating a Node Packaged Module : To create a node packaged module, you need to create the functionality in Java Script, define the functionality package using package.json file and either publish it to the registry or package it for local use.

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1. 03. 2016.

you can publish to the NPM registry -  
you will have to supply the git hub repo  
and then npm publish

Using a Node.js packaged Module in a Node.js Application To use a node module:  
• All you need to do is install the module into your application structure and then use the require() method to load the module.

The require method accepts either an ~~that~~ installed module name or a path to a .js file that is located on the file system.

```
require ("censorify")  
require ("./lib/lib1.js")
```

When packing into node-module (that is where the node module will be stored). If you need to modify the source, you will have to go to the nodes module folder.

Writing data to the Console. The console module allows you to control output to the console, implement fine delta output, and write tracebacks and assertions to the control.

Since the console module is so widely used it is you don't need to load it into your modules by merely a require() statement.

## Node Style Guide >>>

<https://github.com/felixge/node-style-guide>

