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A Perfect Match for
Frontend Development

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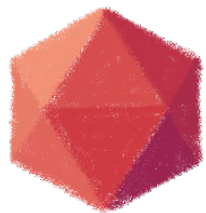


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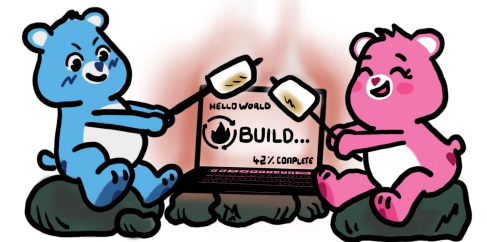
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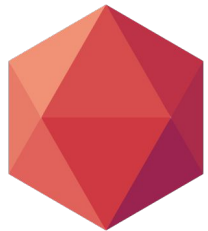
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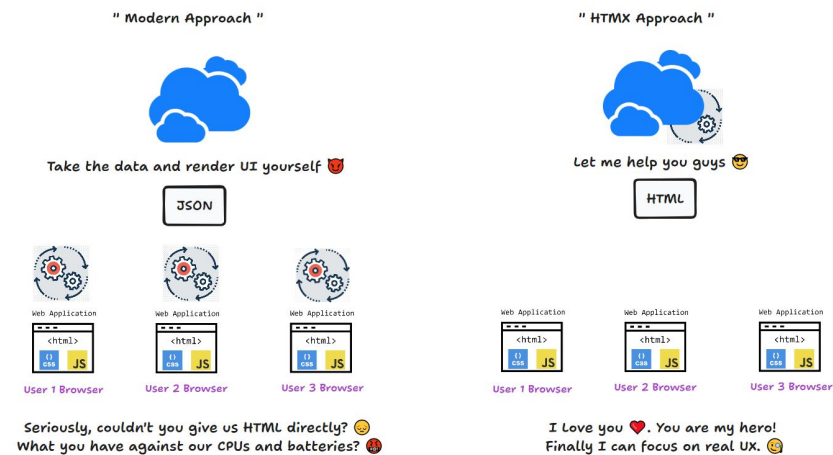


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Create modern user interfaces with
the simplicity and power of hypertext



Arbitrary Limitations of HTML

- Why can only `<a>` and `<form>` make HTTP(S) requests?
- Why can only click and submit events trigger them?
- Why are only `GET` and `POST` methods available?
- Why do `<a>` and `<form>` force a full page reload?
- Why so many arbitrary constraints in HTML?



Goal: Interactivity in Hypertext

htmx extends HTML capabilities to:

- Perform AJAX requests
- Handle CSS transitions
- Work with WebSockets
- Process server-sent events

All through declarative HTML attributes



But, what's the point?

It sounds nice and semantic, but what's the real benefit?

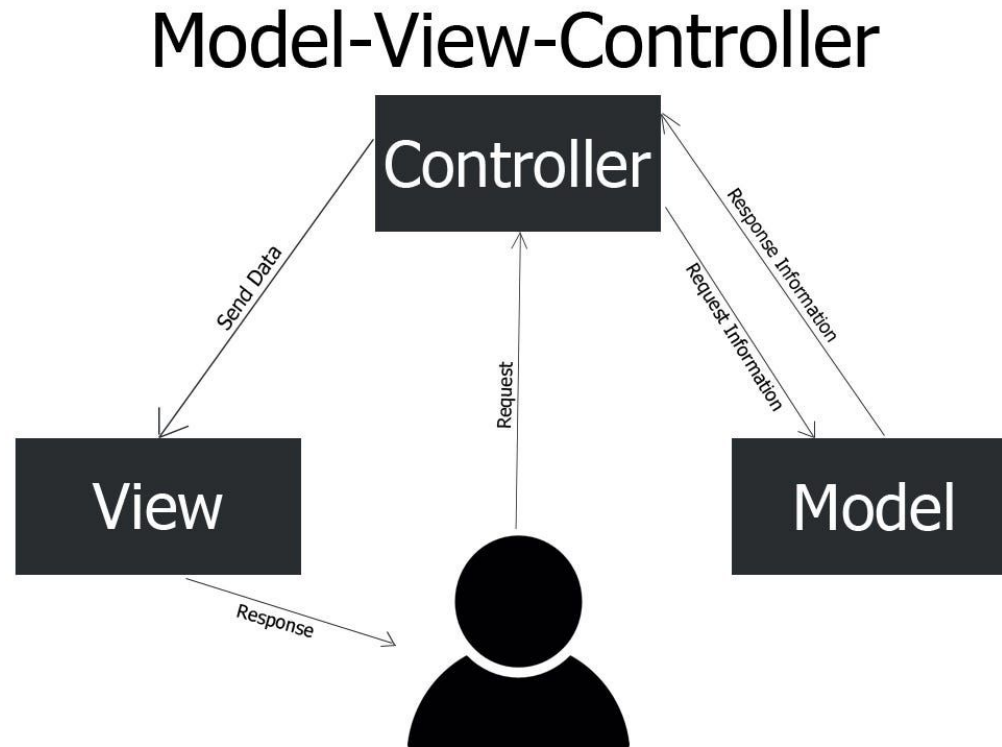


A Quick Look Back



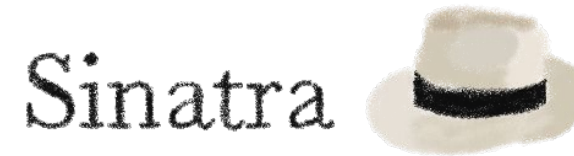
A time when dinosaurs like me coded with Struts

Remember MVC?



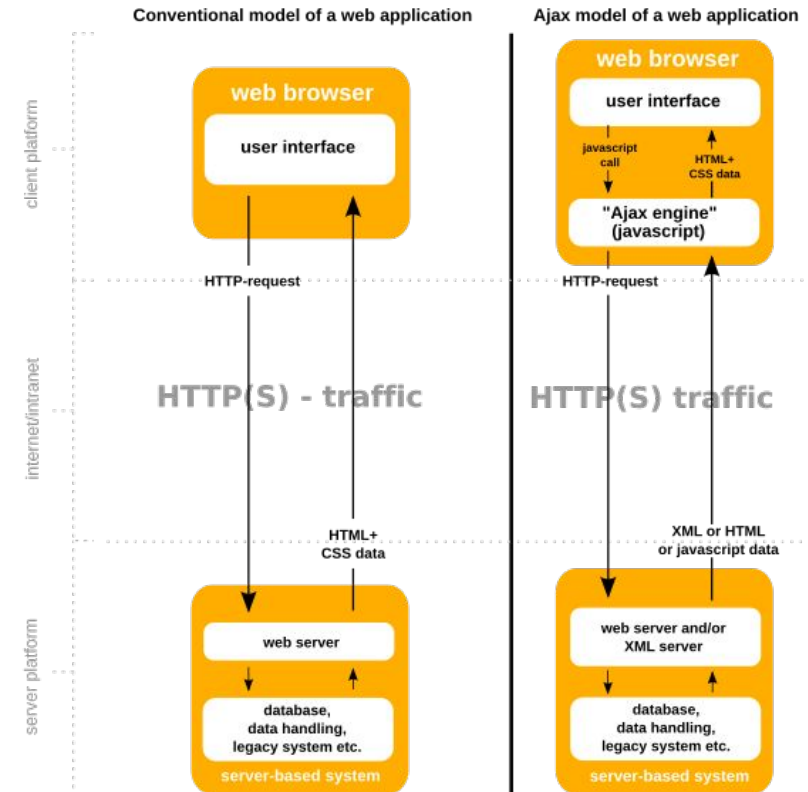
With its page-by-page navigation

The Golden Age of MVC Frameworks



Generating HTML views

2005: The Arrival of AJAX



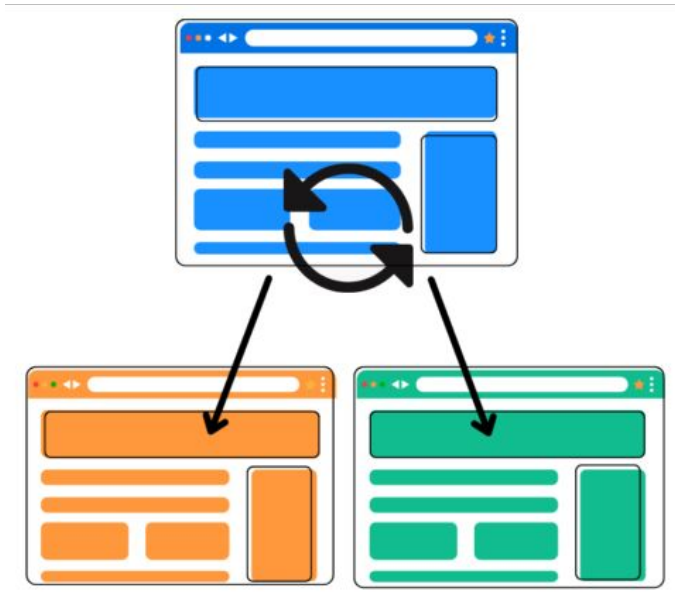
The birth of Web 2.0

Web Pages Become Dynamic Apps

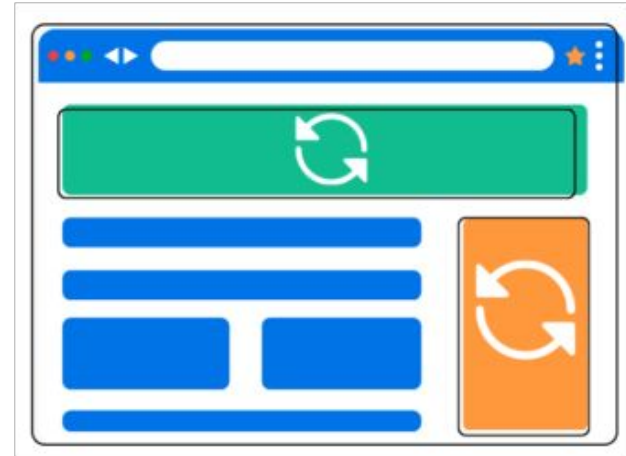


Powered by JavaScript and jQuery

Shift to Single Page Applications (SPA)



MPA
Multi-page app



SPA
Single-page app

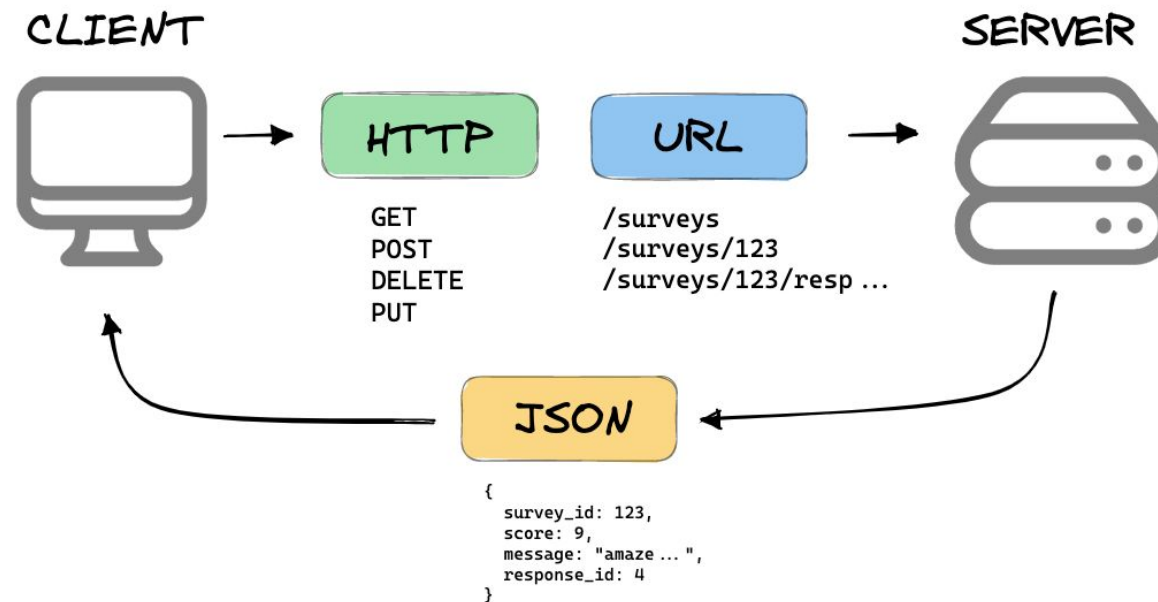
Increasing Complexity



The rise of JavaScript frameworks

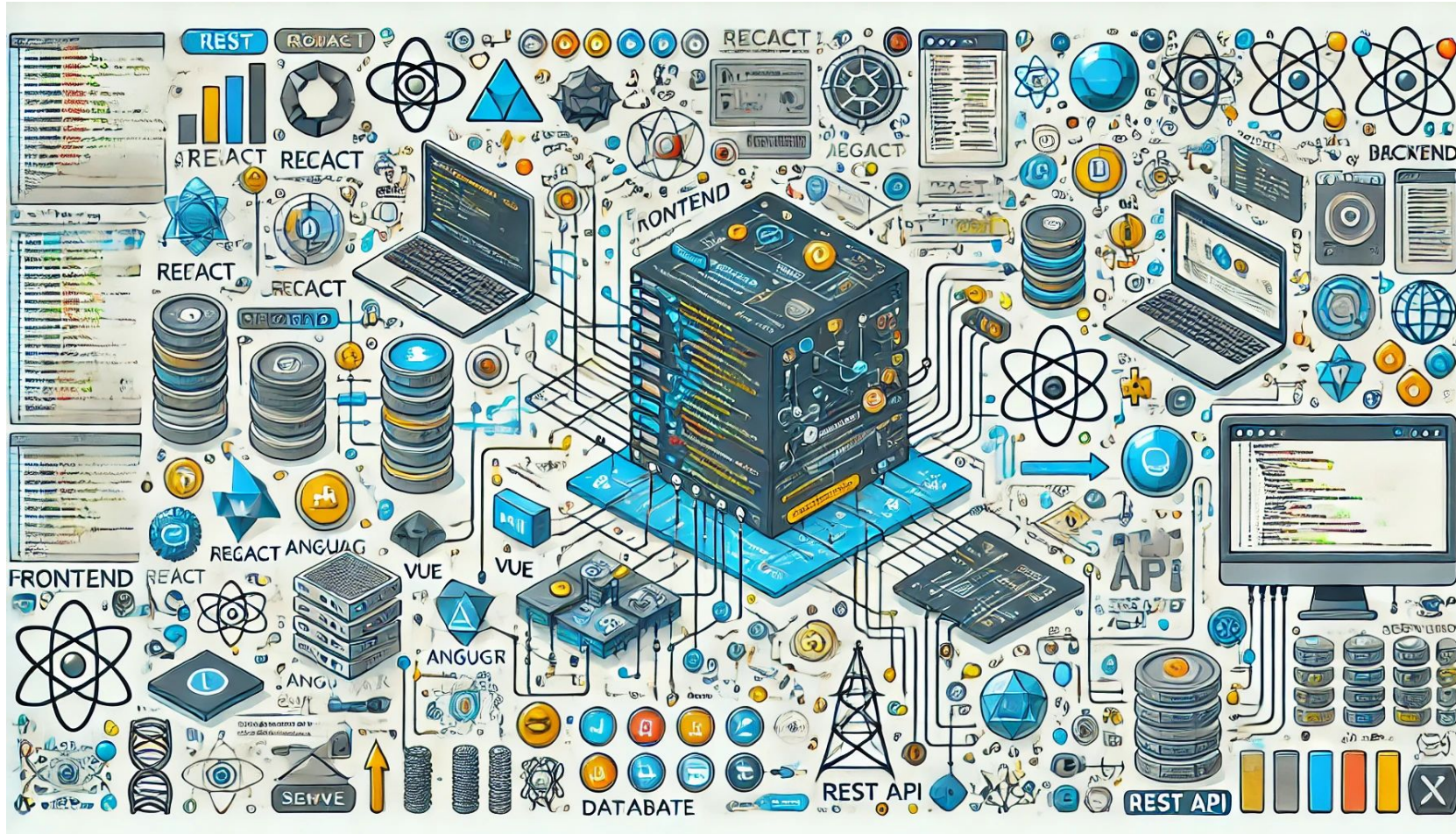
Backend Becomes a REST API

WHAT IS A REST API?



Serving JSON

We Gained Functionality



But lost simplicity and semantics

Overkill for Many Applications



Sometimes we just need a simple web page
with a bit of interactivity

</> htmx Might Be the Right Solution



It's extended HTML

- Simplicity
- Semantics
- Interactivity

" Modern Approach "



Take the data and render UI yourself 🤖

JSON



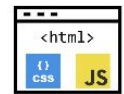
Web Application



User 1 Browser



Web Application



User 2 Browser



Web Application



User 3 Browser

Seriously, couldn't you give us HTML directly? 😏
What you have against our CPUs and batteries? 🤖

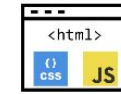
" HTMX Approach "



Let me help you guys 😊

HTML

Web Application



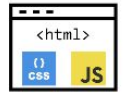
User 1 Browser

Web Application



User 2 Browser

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User 3 Browser

I Love you ❤️. You are my hero!
Finally I can focus on real UX. 😊

Too much theory, show us a demo!

Examples, examples, examples!

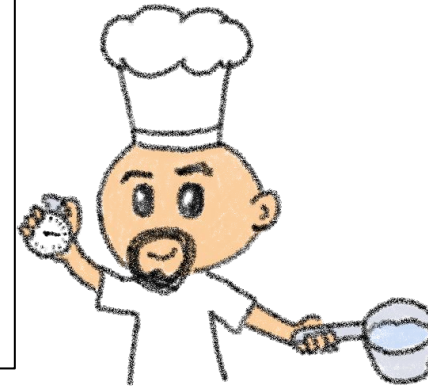
```
example-01.html
<script src="https://unpkg.com/htmx.org@2.0.2"></script>

<!-- have a button that POST on a click via AJAX
      and replace the content of #status div
      with the response -->

<button hx-post="/clicked" hx-target="#status">
  Click Me
</button>

<div id="status">Not yet clicked</div>
```

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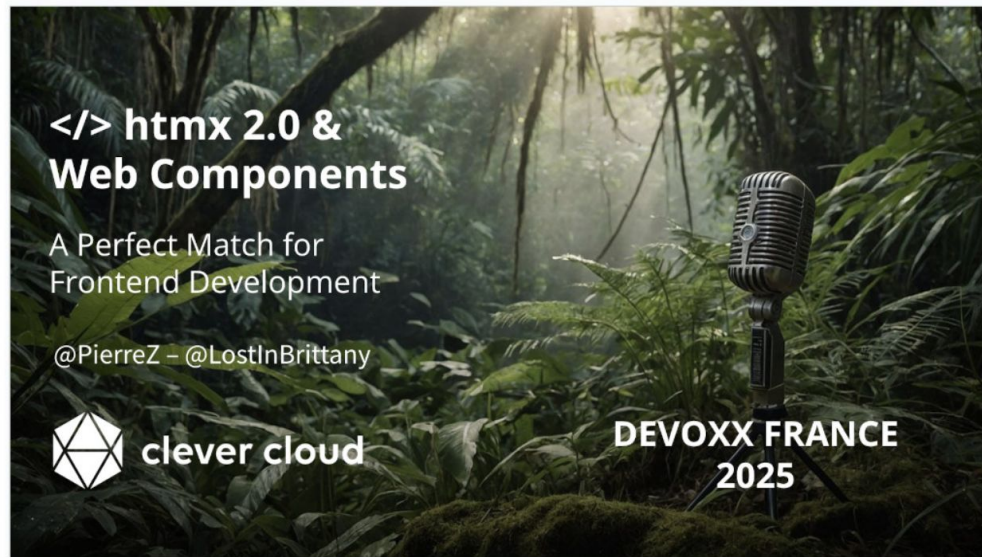
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Sending POST on a button click

```
./html-examples/html-example-01.html

<script src="https://unpkg.com/hmx.org@2.0.2"></script>

<!-- have a button that POST on a click via AJAX
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      with the response -->

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  Click Me
</button>

<div id="status">Not yet clicked</div>
```



GET, POST, PUT, DELETE...

```
./html-examples/html-example-02.html

<script src="https://unpkg.com/hmx.org@2.0.2"></script>

<div>
  <button hx-get="/test-methods" hx-target="#status">Send GET</button>
  <button hx-post="/test-methods" hx-target="#status">Send POST</button>
  <button hx-put="/test-methods" hx-target="#status">Send PUT</button>
  <button hx-delete="/test-methods" hx-target="#status">Send DELETE</button>
</div>

<div id="status">No request sent</div>
```



Using response to replace elements

```
./html-examples/html-example-03.html

<script src="https://unpkg.com/htmx.org@2.0.2"></script>

<div id="test-replace">
  <button hx-get="/test-replace/innerHTML">
    If you click, this message will be replaced
  </button>
  <button hx-get="/test-replace/outerHTML" hx-swap="outerHTML">
    If you click, this button will become a div
  </button>
  <button hx-get="/test-replace/delete" hx-swap="delete">
    If you click, this button will disappear when the response is received
  </button>
  <button hx-get="/test-replace/none" hx-swap="none">
    If you click, nothing changes, the response is ignored
  </button>
</div>
```



Choosing when to send requests

```
./html-examples/html-example-04.html

<script src="https://unpkg.com/htmx.org@2.0.2"></script>

<!-- By default, AJAX requests are triggered by the "natural" event of an element: -->
<div id="test-triggers">
  <button hx-get="/trigger/natural" hx-target="#status">
    In a button the natural event is a click
  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="mouseover" hx-get="/trigger/mouseover" hx-target="#status">
    This button triggers on mouseover
  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="mouseenter" hx-get="/trigger/mouseenter" hx-target="#status">
    This button triggers on mouseenter
  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="mouseleave" hx-get="/trigger/mouseleave" hx-target="#status">
    This button triggers on mouseleave
  </button>
</div>

<div id="status">No AJAX request sent yet</div>
```



More triggering options

```
./html-examples/html-example-05.html

<script src="https://unpkg.com/htmx.org@2.0.2"></script>

<!-- By default, AJAX requests are triggered by the "natural" event of an element: -->
<div id="test-triggers">
  <button hx-trigger="every 5s" hx-get="/trigger/5seconds" hx-target="#status">
    Sends request every 5 seconds, no event needed
  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="click[ctrlKey]" hx-get="/trigger/ctrlclick" hx-target="#status">
    Sends request on click while pressing Ctrl
  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="click[ctrlKey] once" hx-get="/trigger/ctrlclickonce" hx-target="#status">
    Sends request on the first click while pressing Ctrl
  </button>
</div>

<div id="status">No AJAX request sent yet</div>
```



A spinner to ease you wait

```
./html-examples/html-example-06.html

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<!-- By default, AJAX requests are triggered by the "natural" event of an element: -->
<div id="test-triggers">
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    Sends request every 5 seconds, no event needed
  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="click[ctrlKey]" hx-get="/trigger/ctrlclick" hx-target="#status">
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  </button>
  <button hx-trigger="click[ctrlKey] once" hx-get="/trigger/ctrlclickonce" hx-target="#status">
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  </button>
</div>

<div id="status">No AJAX request sent yet</div>
```



Des extensions presque à l'infini



This site is a searchable collection of extensions for [htmx 2.0](#). They are not guaranteed to work with the htmx 1.x codebase.

[Core](#) extensions are actively maintained by the htmx team.

[Community](#) extensions are contributed by the community or rarely touched by the htmx team (although they still work!)

► Contributing

[Core](#)

Name	Description
sse	Provides support for Server Sent Events directly from HTML.
ws	Provides bi-directional communication with Web Sockets servers directly from HTML

Time for More Code!

Let's see a complete example

To-do example

- Think about tasks

addTask

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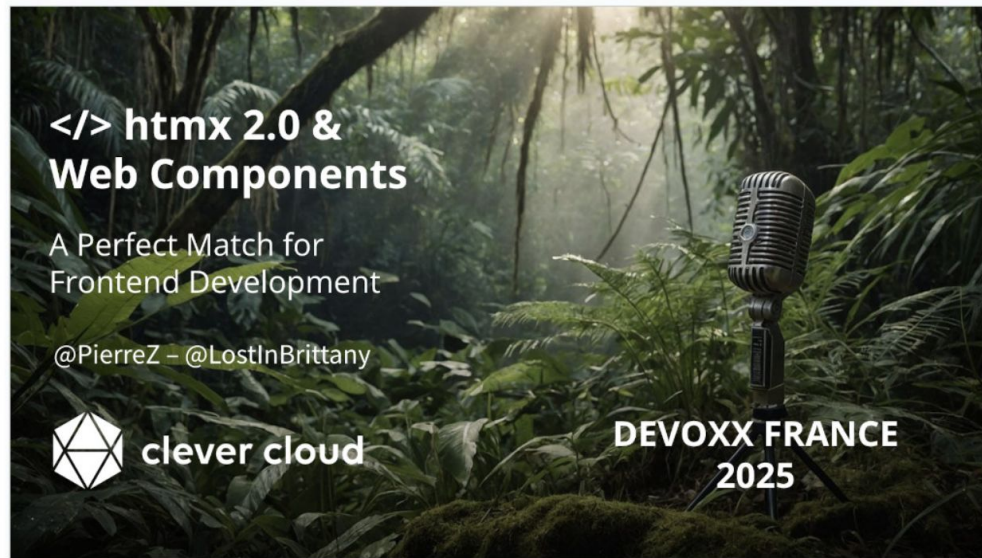
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Let's do a to-do list

To-do example

- Think about tasks

addTask

From Hello World to a To-do List

What the heck are web component?

The 3 minutes context



Web Components



Web standard W3C

Web Components



Available in all modern browsers:
Firefox, Safari, Chrome

Web Components



Create your own HTML tags
Encapsulating look and behavior

Web Components



Fully interoperable
With other web components, with any framework

Web Components



CUSTOM ELEMENTS



SHADOW DOM



TEMPLATES

Custom Element



To define your own HTML tag

```
<body>
  ...
  <script>
    window.customElements.define('my-element',
      class extends HTMLElement {...});
  </script>
  <my-element></my-element>
</body>
```



Shadow DOM



To encapsulate subtree and style in an element

```
<button>Hello, world!</button>
<script>
var host = document.querySelector('button');
const shadowRoot = host.attachShadow({mode: 'open'});
shadowRoot.textContent = 'こんにちは、影の世界!';
</script>
```

Hello, world!



こんにちは、影の世界!

Template



To have clonable document template

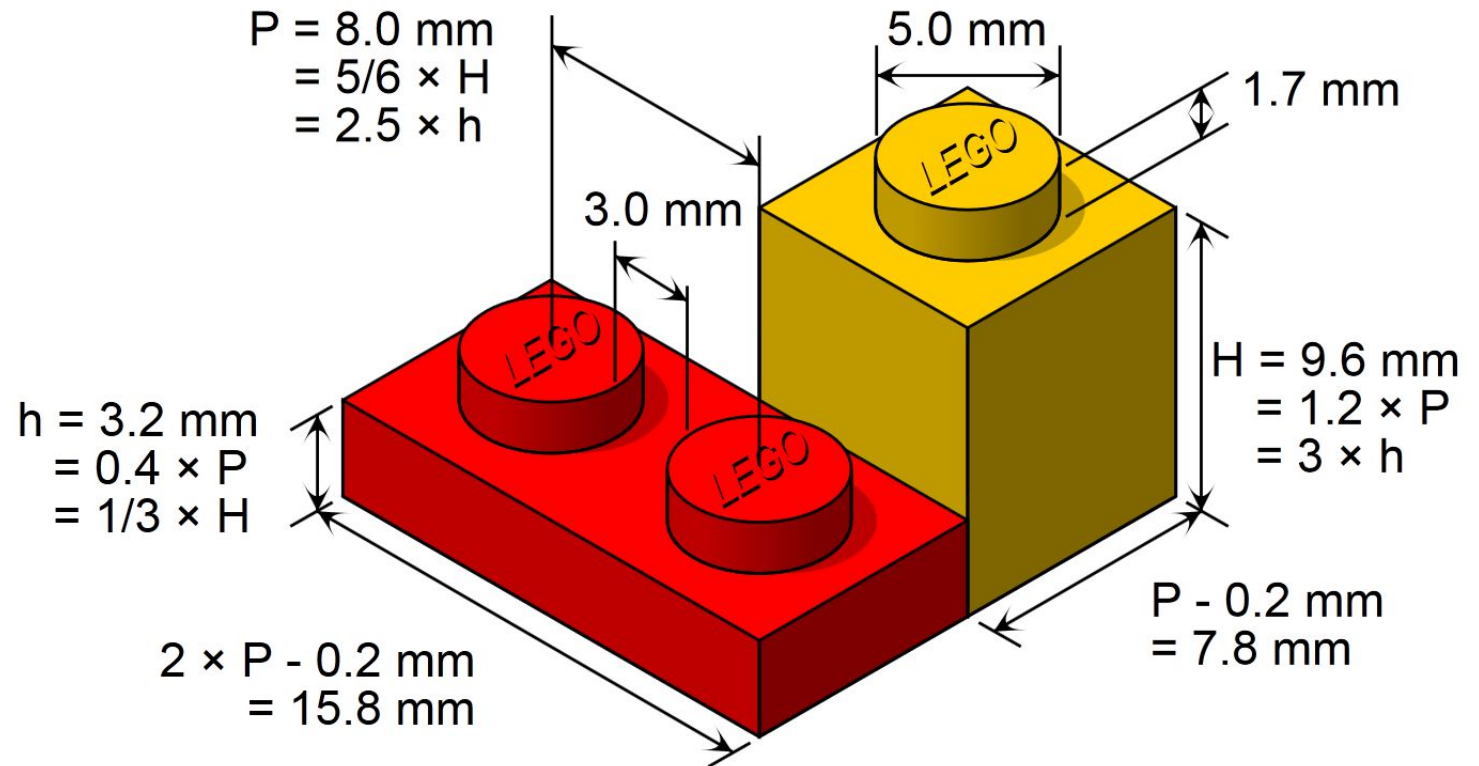
```
<template id="mytemplate">
  <img src="" alt="great image">
  <div class="comment"></div>
</template>
```

```
var t = document.querySelector('#mytemplate');
// Populate the src at runtime.
t.content.querySelector('img').src = 'logo.png';
var clone = document.importNode(t.content, true);
document.body.appendChild(clone);
```



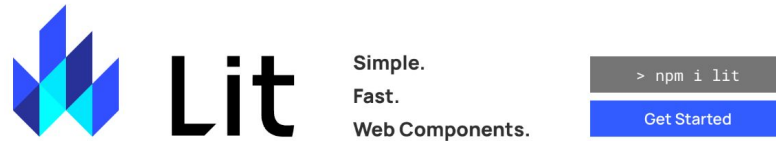
But in fact, it's just an element...

- Attributes
- Properties
- Methods
- Events





Simple. Fast. Web Components



Simple

Skip the boilerplate

Building on top of the Web Components standards, Lit adds just what you need to be happy and productive: reactivity, declarative templates and a handful of thoughtful features to reduce boilerplate and make your



Fast

Tiny footprint, instant updates

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Every Lit component is a native web component, with the superpower of interoperability. Web components work anywhere you use HTML, with any framework or none at all. This makes Lit ideal for building shareable

Modern lightweight web components



Lit

Simple.
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```
> npm i lit
```

[Get Started](#)

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For the new web paradigm



LitElement

```
import { LitElement, html } from 'lit-element';

// Create your custom component
class CustomGreeting extends LitElement {
  // Declare properties
  static get properties() {
    return {
      name: { type: String }
    };
  }
  // Initialize properties
  constructor() {
    super();
    this.name = 'World';
  }
  // Define a template
  render() {
    return html`<p>Hello, ${this.name}</p>`;
  }
}
// Register the element with the browser
customElements.define('custom-greeting', CustomGreeting);
```

Lightweight web-components using lit-html

Based on lit-html

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lit-html 2.0

Efficient, Expressive, Extensible HTML templates in JavaScript

Tests passing npm v2.7.5 discord join chat mentioned in awesome

lit-html is the template system that powers the [Lit](#) library for building fast web components. When using `lit-html` to develop web components, most users should import lit-html via the `lit` package rather than installing and importing from `lit-html` directly.

About this release

This is a stable release of `lit-html` 2.0 (part of the Lit 2.0 release). If upgrading from previous versions of `lit-html`, please note the minor breaking changes from lit-html 1.0 in the [Upgrade Guide](#).

An efficient, expressive, extensible
HTML templating library for JavaScript

Do you know tagged templates?

```
function uppercaseExpression(strings, ...expressionValues) {  
  var finalString = ''  
  for ( let i = 0; i < strings.length; i++ ) {  
    if (i > 0) {  
      finalString += expressionValues[i - 1].toUpperCase()  
    }  
    finalString += strings[i]  
  }  
  return finalString  
}  
  
const expressions = [ 'Sophia Antipolis', 'RivieraDev', 'Thank you'];  
console.log(uppercase`Je suis à ${expression[0]} pour ${expression[1]}. $expression[2]!
```

Little known functionality of template literals

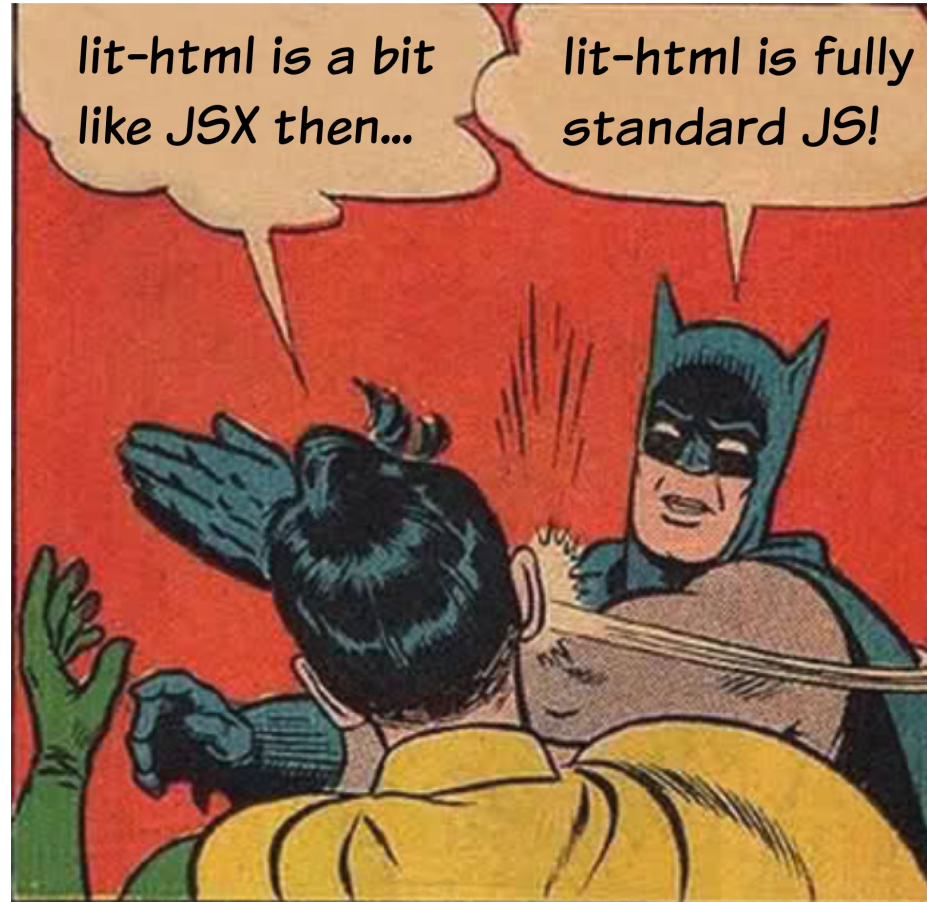


lit-html Templates

```
let myTemplate = (data) => html`  
  <h1>${data.title}</h1>  
  <p>${data.body}</p>  
`;  
;
```

Lazily rendered
Generates a TemplateResult

It's a bit like JSX, isn't it?



The good sides of JSX... but in the standard!

Too much theory, show us a demo!

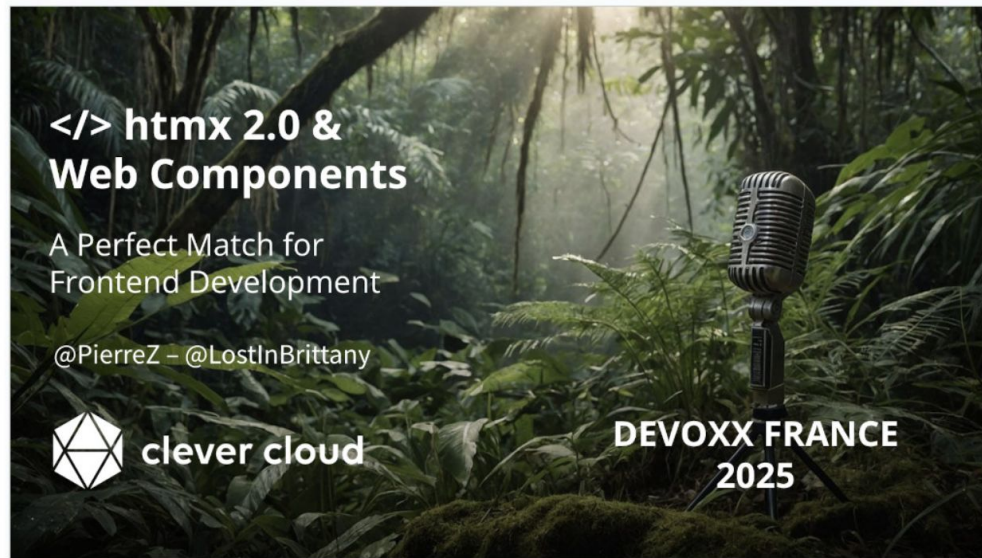
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Custom Greeting example

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  // Declare properties
  static get properties() {
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Lightweight web-components using lit-html

My Lit Counter example



Let's do an interactive counter

Lit & `</>` htmx

Love at first `<tag>`

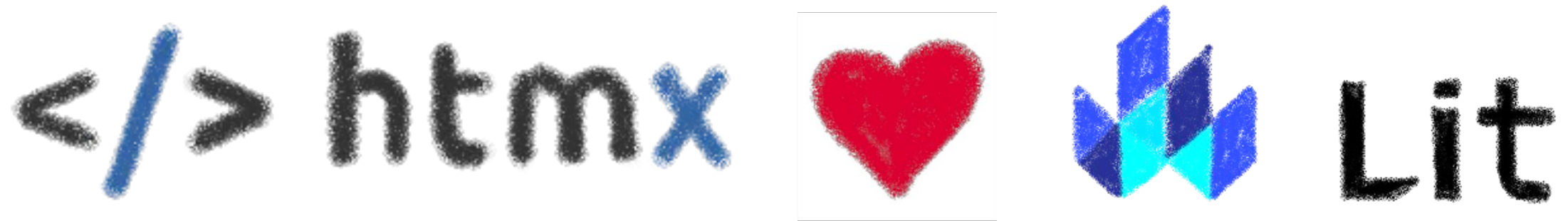


Lit

`</>` htmx



htmx for structure, Lit to encapsulate logic



To htmx, Lit elements are just regular tags

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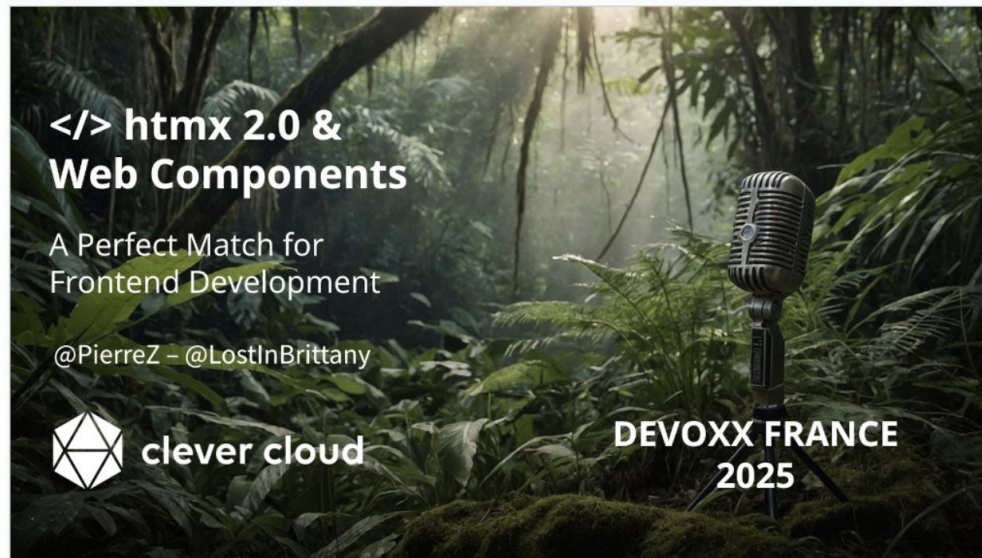
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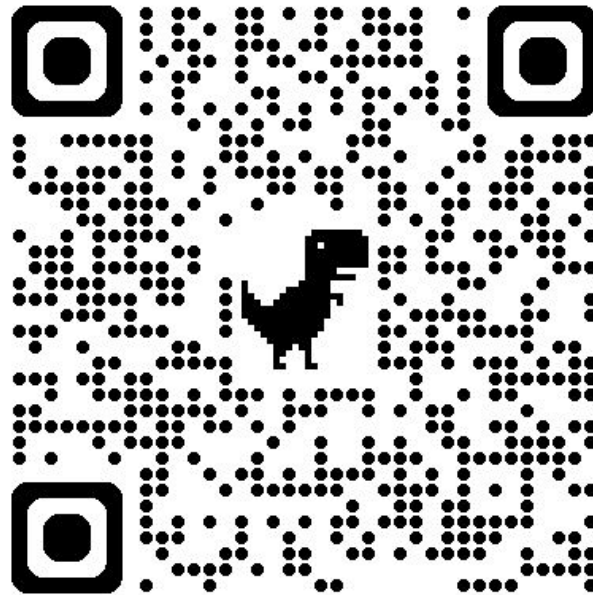
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That's all, folks!

Thank you all!



*Please leave your
feedback!*

