

Server-Side Options

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Objectives

- We will cover:
 - Some server-side options
 - Java: Servlets
 - Java: The Spring web app framework
 - JavaScript: The Express web app framework

Agenda

- **Prelim: packages**
- Prelim: library management
- Baseline
- Java server-side pgmming
- Java server-side pgmming: Servlets
- Java server-side pgmming: Spring
- JavaScript server-side pgmming
- JavaScript server-side pgmming: Express

Packages

- Python packages
 - A **package** is a named group of modules (and other packages)
 - A *module* is stored in a *file*
 - A *package* is stored in a *directory*

Packages

- Python packages (cont.)
 - Using a Python package

```
import intmath.euclid  
...  
intmath.euclid.gcd(x, y)  
...
```

Packages

- Python packages (cont.)
 - Defining a Python package

```
intmath
    __init__.py
euclid.py
...
```

Packages

- **Java packages**
 - A **package** is a named group of classes/interfaces (and other packages)
 - A *class/interface* is stored in a file
 - A *package* is stored in a *directory*

Packages

- Java packages (cont.)
 - Using a Java package

```
...  
java.lang.Math.sqrt(x);  
...
```

```
import java.lang.Math;  
...  
Math.sqrt(x);  
...
```

Packages

- Java packages (cont.)
 - Defining a Java package

```
// Book.java

package edu.princeton.penny;

// All names defined subsequently are
// in the edu.princeton.penny package.

public class Book { ... }
```

Defines class `edu.princeton.penny.Book`

`Book.java` must be in `edu/princeton/penny` directory

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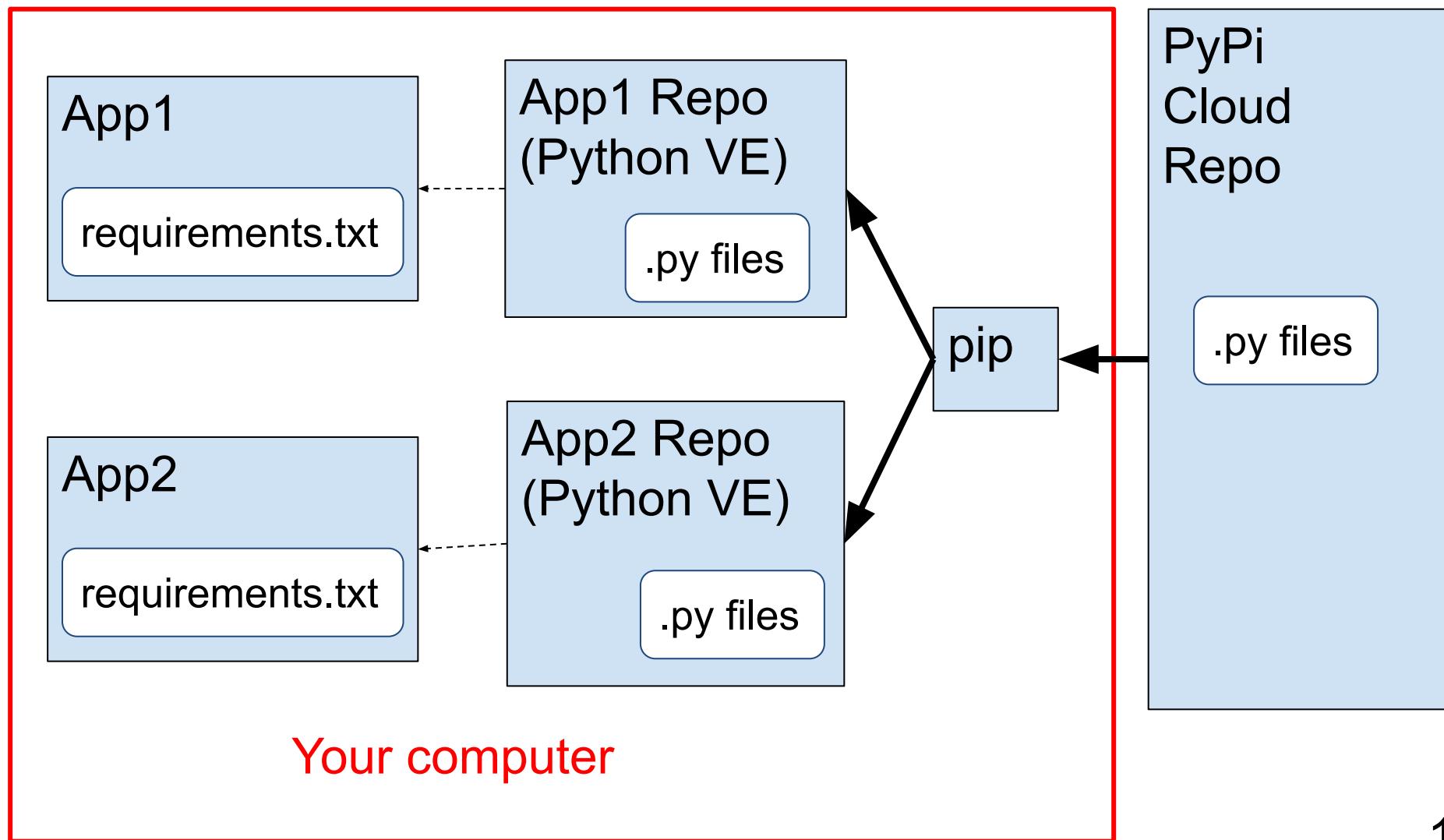
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Library Management

- **Python** library management
 - **pip** and **PyPi** cloud repo

Library Management

Python library management (cont.)



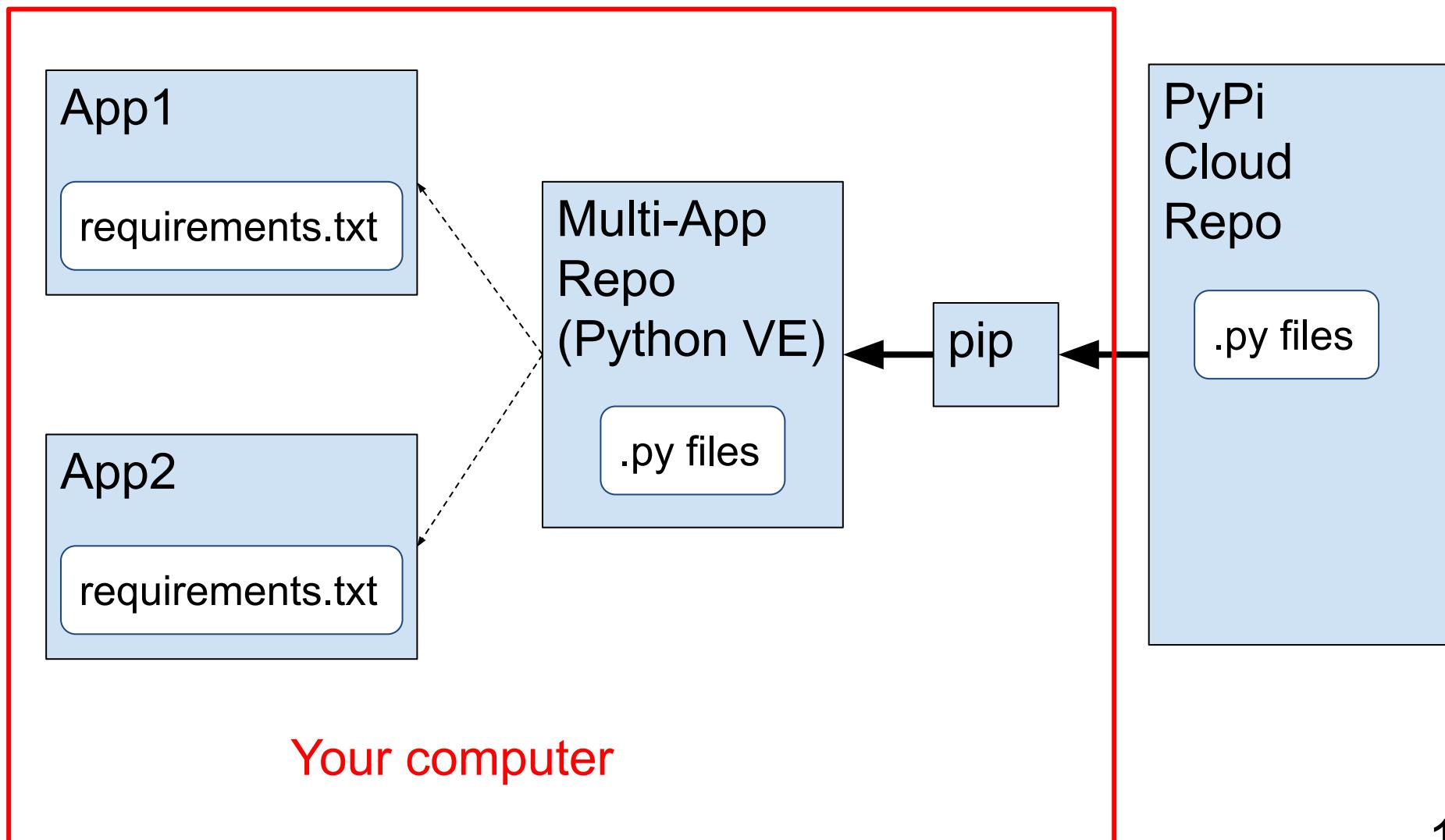
Library Management

- Python library management (cont.)

```
(Activate Python VE for App1)
cd App1ProjectDir
pip install -r requirements.txt
...
deactivate
...
(Activate Python VE for App2)
cd App2ProjectDir
pip install -r requirements.txt
...
deactivate
```

Library Management

Python library management (cont.)



Library Management

- Python library management (cont.)

```
(Activate Python VE for App1 and App2)
```

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cd App1ProjectDir  
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

```
cd App2ProjectDir  
pip install -r requirements.txt
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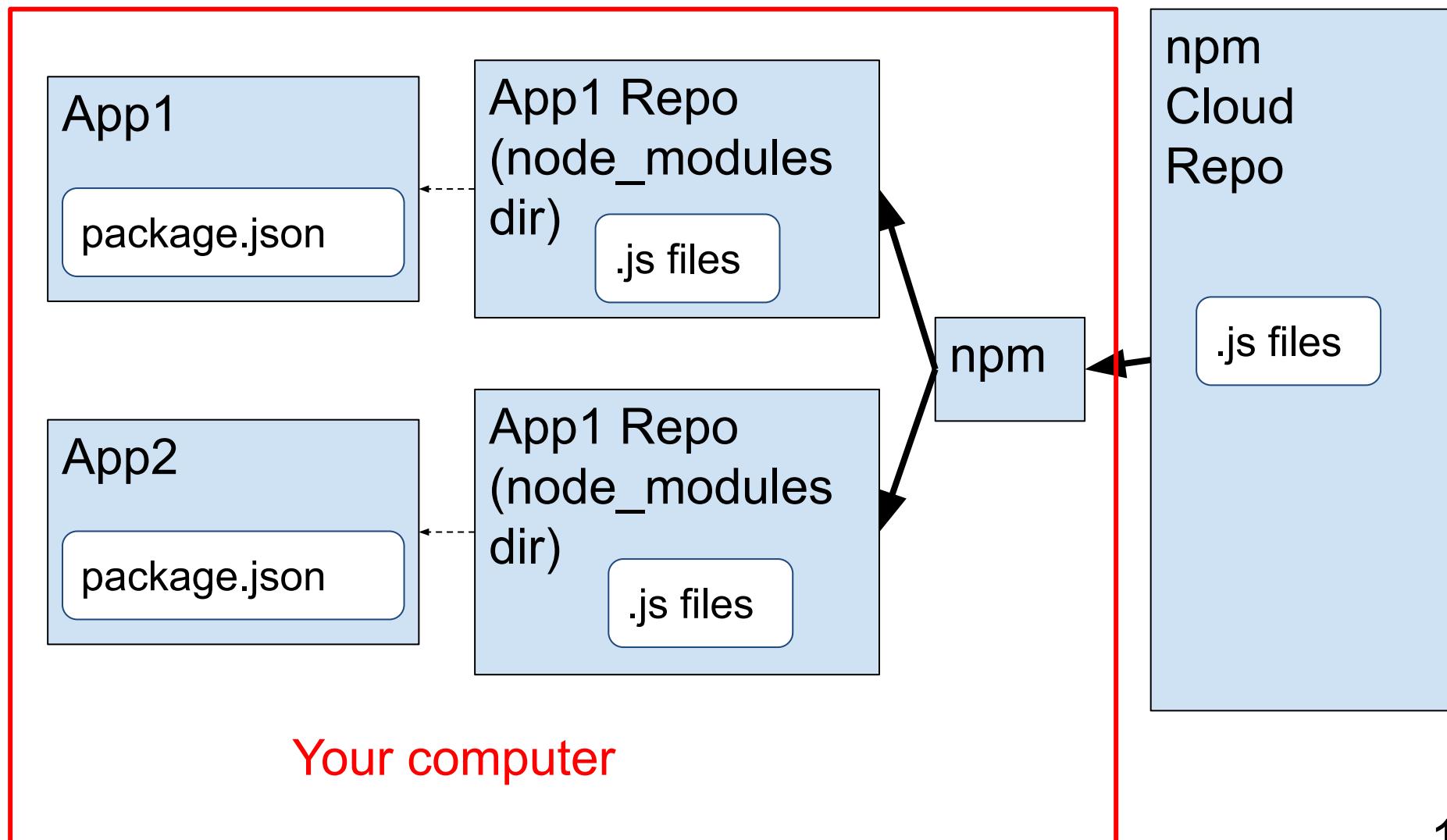
```
deactivate
```

Library Management

- **JavaScript library management**
 - **npm and npm cloud repo**

Library Management

JavaScript library management (cont.)



Library Management

- **JavaScript library management (cont.)**

```
cd App1ProjectDir  
npm install
```

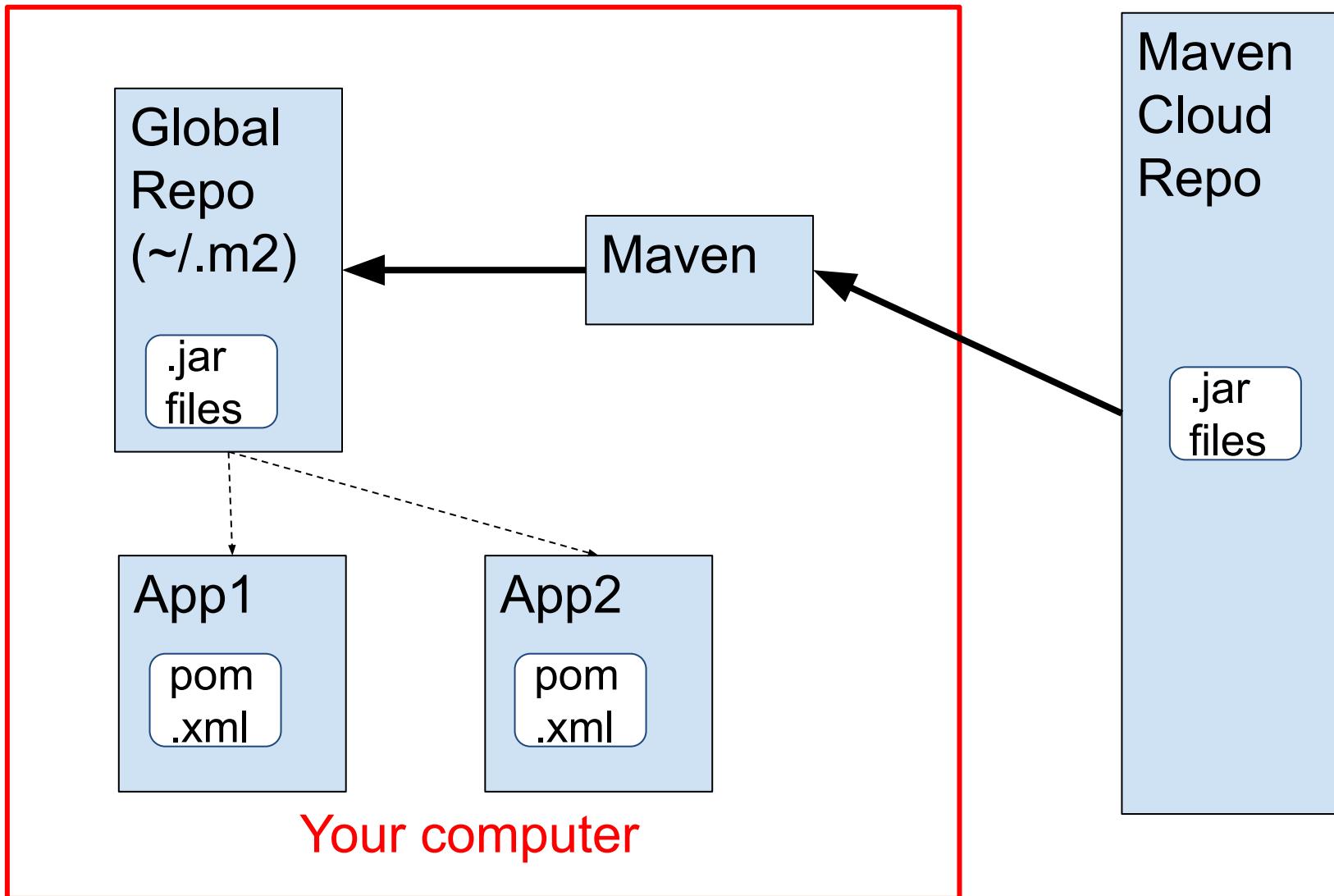
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cd App2ProjectDir  
npm install
```

Library Management

- Java library management
 - **Maven** and Maven cloud repo
 - Others: **Gradle**, **Ant**
- Maven is a:
 - Library management tool
 - Build tool
 - C : make
 - Java : Maven

Library Management

Java library management (cont.)



Library Management

- Java library management (cont.)

```
cd App1ProjectDir  
mvn compile
```

```
cd App2ProjectDir  
mvn compile
```

Library Management

- Installing Maven

- Mac:

- brew install maven

- MS Windows

- <https://maven.apache.org/guides/getting-started/windows-prerequisites.html>

- Linux

- Use your package mgr

Library Management

| | App Repos? | Multi-App Repos? | Global Repo? |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Python/ pip | yes (not enforced) | yes (bad idea *) | not really |
| JavaScript/ npm | yes | no | not really |
| Java/ maven | no | no | yes |

* But I do it routinely!

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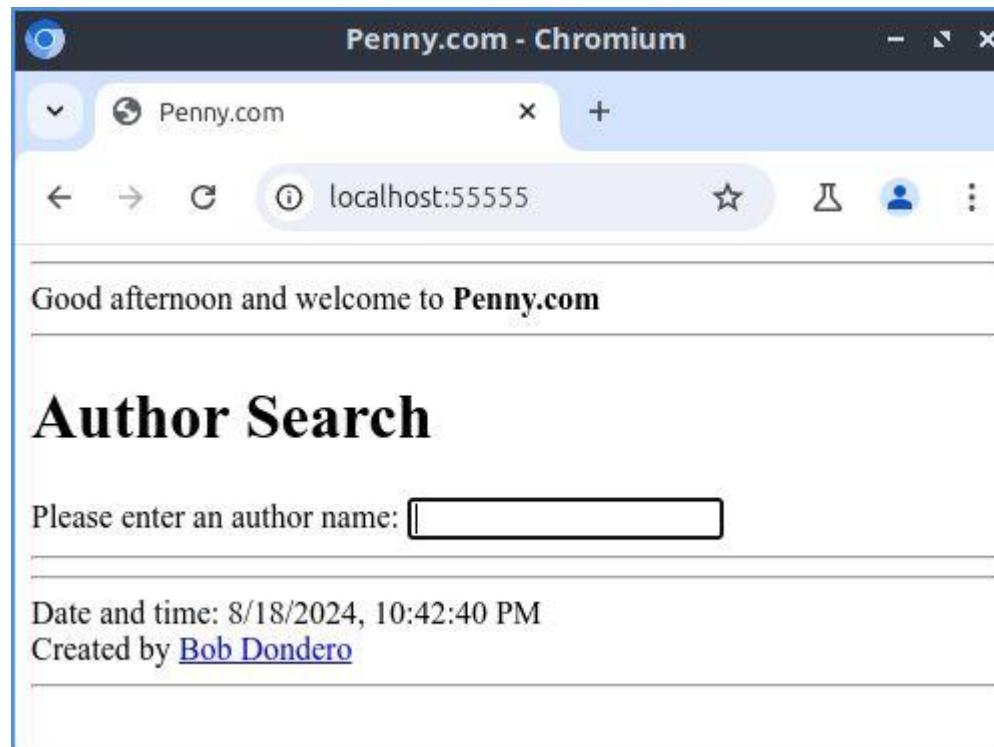
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Baseline

- See PennyFlaskSpa app
 - (Same as PennyAjax4 app)

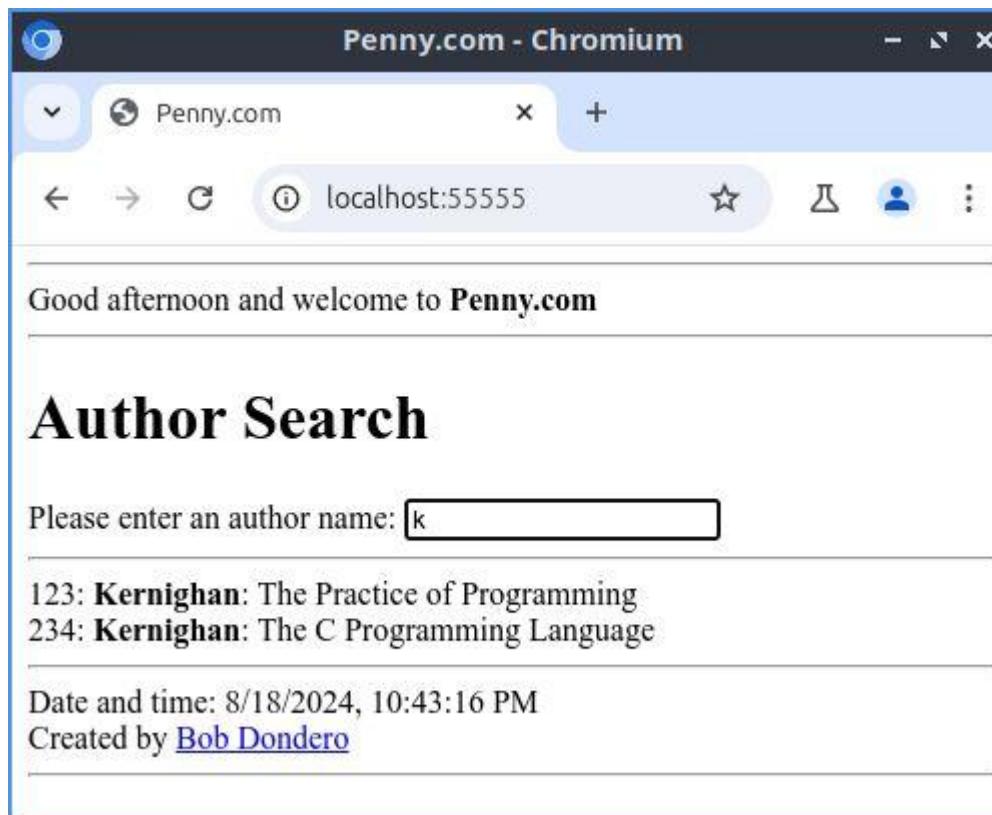
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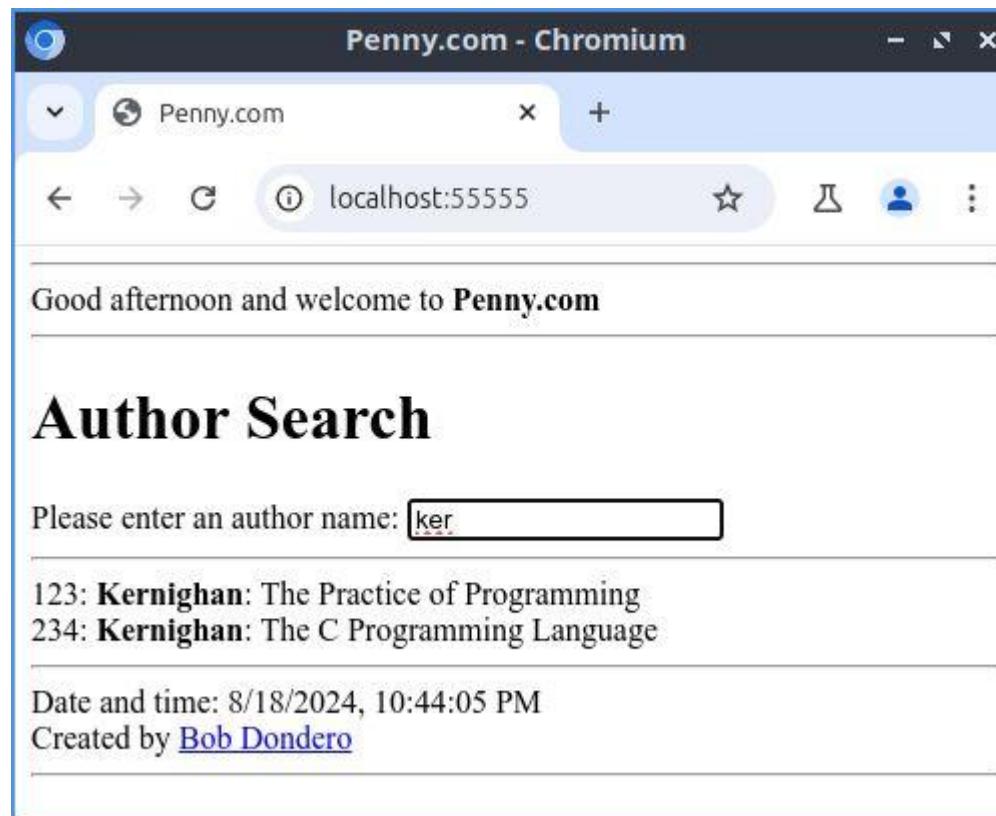
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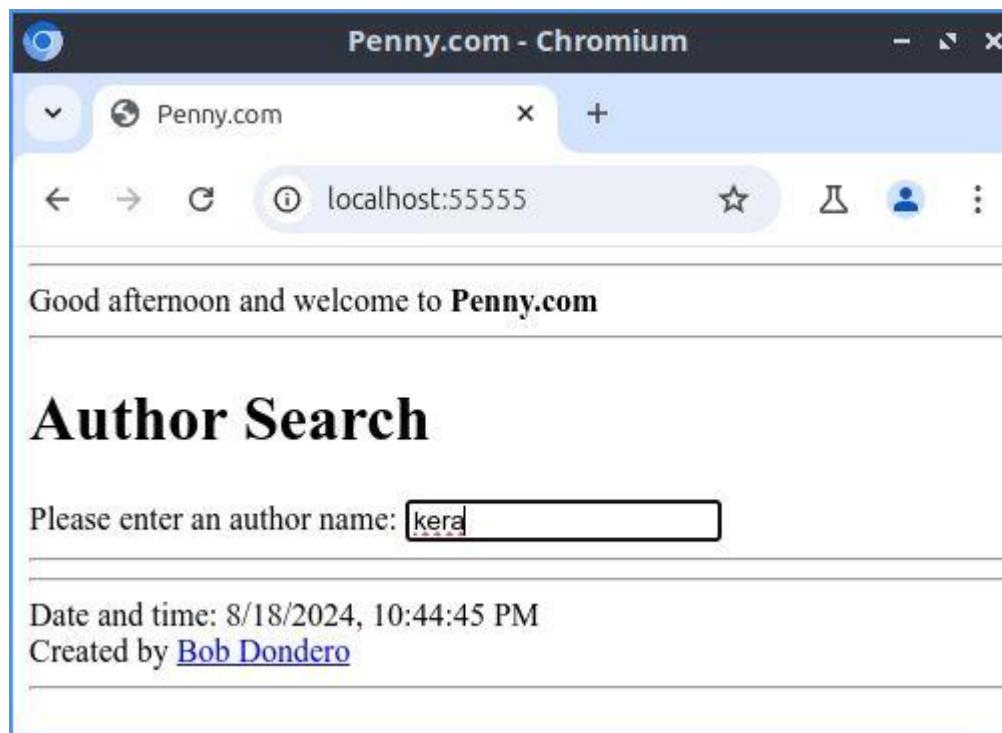
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Baseline

- See PennyFlaskSpa app (cont.)
 - **runserver.py**
 - **penny.sql**, **penny.sqlite**
 - **database.py**
 - **penny.py**
 - **index.html**

Baseline

So far:

| | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Client | Browser + HTML + JavaScript |
| Server | Python + Flask |

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Java Server-Side Web Pgmming

- **Question:** Why study Java server-side web programming?
- **Answer 1:** Help you better understand server-side web programming
- **Answer 2:** Give you a sense of how Java is used in the “real world”

Java Server-Side Web Programming

- **Question:** Why study Java server-side web programming (cont.)?
- **Answer 3:** Show realistic use of some advanced features of Java
- **Answer 4:** Popular and important...

Java Server-Side Web Programming

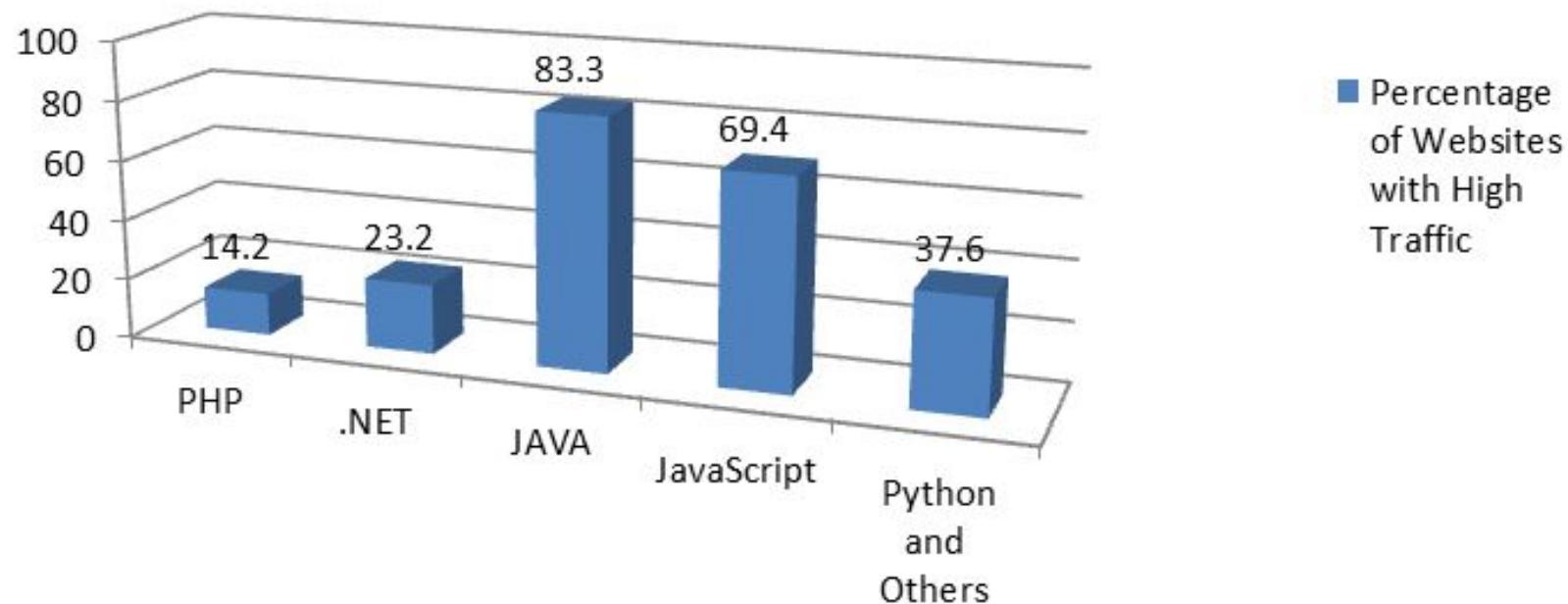
| Website | Front End | Back End |
|-----------|----------------------------------|---|
| Google | JavaScript | C, C++, Go, Java , Python, Node |
| Facebook | JavaScript TypeScript Flow | Hack, HHVM, Python, C++, Java , Erlang, D, Haskell |
| YouTube | JavaScript TypeScript | Python, C, C++, Java , Go |
| Yahoo | JavaScript | PHP |
| Etsy | JavaScript | PHP |
| Amazon | JavaScript | Java , C++, Perl |
| Wikipedia | JavaScript | PHP |
| Fandom | JavaScript | PHP |
| X | JavaScript | C++, Java , Scala, Ruby |
| Bing | JavaScript | C++, C# |
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Java Server-Side Web Pgmming

Programming Language vs High Traffic Websites



-- [http://blog.stonerriverlearning.com/
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Servlet Programming

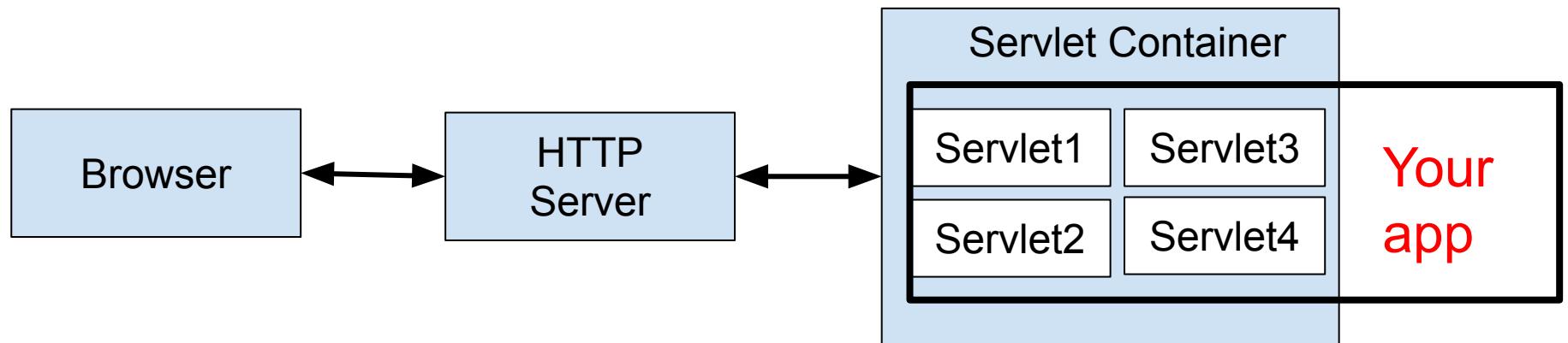
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- **Answer 2:** Use a Java web app framework

Servlet Programming

- **Servlets**

- “A servlet is a Java technology-based Web component, managed by a **container**, that generates dynamic content.”
 - Servlet specification at:
 - http://download.oracle.com/.../servlet-3_0-final-spec.pdf

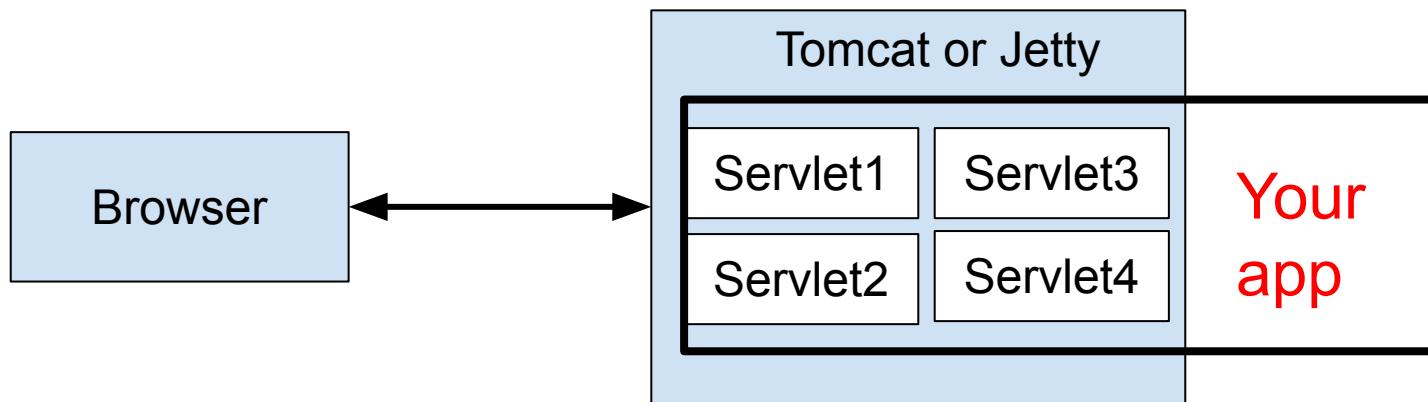
Servlet Programming



Popular servlet containers:

*Apache Tomcat
Eclipse Jetty*

Servlet Programming



Tomcat or Jetty can be both servlet container
and HTTP server

We'll use that configuration

We'll use Jetty for Servlets, Tomcat for Spring

Servlet Programming

- **Python:**
 - *WSGI specification* connects HTTP server and your Python app
- **Java:**
 - *Servlet specification* connects HTTP server and your Java app

Servlet Programming

```
PennyServletsSpa/
    runserver
    runserver.bat
    pom.xml
    src/
        main/
            java/
                edu/
                    princeton/
                        penny/
                            Book.java
                            Database.java
                            IndexServlet.java
                            Penny.java
                            SearchResultsServlet.java
        resources/
            index.html
            penny.sql
            penny.sqlite
```

Servlet Programming

- See PennyServletsSpa app (cont.)
 - **runserver, runserver.bat**
 - **pom.xml**
 - **penny.sql, penny.sqlite**
 - **Book.java, Database.java**
 - **IndexServlet.java**
 - **SearchResultsServlet.java**
 - **Penny.java**
 - **index.html**

Servlet Programming

- See PennyServletsSpa app

On Linux or Mac:

```
$ ./runserver 5555
```

On MS Windows:

```
C:\>runserver.bat 5555
```

Servlet Programming

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Spring

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Spring



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Spring

- *Spring Boot*

- Wikipedia: “Spring Boot is a convention-over-configuration extension for the **Spring** Java platform intended to help minimize configuration concerns while creating Spring-based applications.”

Spring

- Why study Spring / Spring Boot?
 - (Instead of some other framework)

Spring

Some popular server-side web app frameworks:

| Rank | Framework | GitHub Stars |
|------|----------------------|--------------|
| 1 | Laravel (PHP) | 74.9K |
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According to GitHub as of 10/4/23

Spring

- See **PennySpringSpa** app (cont.)
 - Browse to <https://start.spring.io/>
 - Complete as shown on following slides, and click Generate to download Penny.zip

Spring

The screenshot shows the Spring Initializr web application interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like 'CS Department W...', 'COS217', 'COS333', 'IntroCsBook', 'IndepWork', 'Princeton', 'Health', 'EmailAddresses', 'Linux Mint', 'Community', 'Forums', and 'All Bookmarks'. Below the navigation is the main content area.

Project (radio buttons):
○ Gradle - Groovy
○ Gradle - Kotlin
○ Maven (selected)

Language (radio buttons):
● Java (selected)
○ Kotlin
○ Groovy

Spring Boot (radio buttons):
○ 3.5.0 (SNAPSHOT)
○ 3.5.0 (M3)
○ 3.4.5 (SNAPSHOT)
● 3.4.4 (selected)
○ 3.3.11 (SNAPSHOT)
○ 3.3.10

Project Metadata (text inputs):
Group: edu.princeton
Artifact: penny
Name: penny
Description: PennySpring Application
Package name: edu.princeton.penny
Packaging: ○ Jar (selected)
Java: ○ 24
● 21 (selected)
○ 17

Dependencies: No dependency selected. A button labeled "ADD DEPENDENCIES... ⌘ + B" is available.

At the bottom, there are three buttons: "GENERATE ⌘ + ↩", "EXPLORE CTRL + SPACE", and "...".

Spring

- See PennySpringSpa app (cont.)
 - Unzip Penny.zip to generate this directory structure:

Spring

```
Penny
  pom.xml
  src/
    main/
      java/
        edu/
          princeton/
            penny/
              PennyApplication.java
    resources/
      application.properties
    ...
    ...
    ...
```

A working application

Spring

- See PennySpringSpa app (cont.)
 - Edit to create this directory structure:

Spring

```
PennySpringSpa
  runserver
  runserver.bat
  pom.xml
  src/
    main/
      java/
        edu/
          princeton/
            penny/
              Book.java
              Database.java
              PennyController.java
              PennyApplication.java
    resources/
      static/
        index.html
        application.properties
        penny.sql
        penny.sqlite
      ...
    ...
  ...
```

Spring

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Spring

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Spring

- There is much more to Spring
 - Spring website:
 - <https://spring.io/>
 - Spring Boot website:
 - <https://spring.io/projects/spring-boot>

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JavaScript Server Web Pgmming

- Why study JavaScript server-side pgmming?

JavaScript Server Web Pgmming

| Website | Front End | Back End |
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| Facebook | JavaScript TypeScript Flow | Hack, HHVM, Python, C++, Java, Erlang, D, Haskell |
| YouTube | JavaScript TypeScript | Python, C, C++, Java, Go |
| Yahoo | JavaScript | PHP |
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JavaScript Server Web Pgmming

- Why study server-side JavaScript pgmming (cont.)?
 - Introduces additional aspects of JavaScript
 - Database programming
 - Becoming more popular

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Express

- Why study server-side JavaScript programming using **Express** (instead of some other framework)?

Express

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Express

- See PennyExpressSpa app
 - **runserver.js**
 - **package.json**
 - **penny.sql**, **penny.sqlite**
 - **database.js**
 - **penny.js**
 - **index.html**

Express

- See PennyExpressSpa app (cont.)

```
$ cd PennyExpressSpa  
$ npm install  
$ node runserver.js 5555  
Listening at port 5555
```

Express

- There is much more to Express
 - Express website:
 - <https://expressjs.com/>

Express

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Commentary

| Server Technologies | Small Apps | Medium Apps | Large Apps |
|----------------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| PHP | ✓ | | |
| Python + Flask | | ✓ | |
| JavaScript + Express | | ✓ | |
| Java + Spring | | | ✓ |

Summary

- We have covered:
 - Some server-side options
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