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SINGLE PAGE APPLICATIONS . . .

...**ARE HARD**

DISCLAIMER:

I LOVE SINGLE PAGE APPS



WHY ARE WE BUILDING SPAS IN A FIRST PLACE?

- ▶ Users love them!
- ▶ Because of native like experience

SPA ADVANTAGES OVER MPA

- ▶ User Experience
- ▶ Faster page loading times
- ▶ No need to write server code
- ▶ Decoupling of front-end and back-end development
- ▶ Perception of speed
- ▶ Simplified mobile development (API and/or UI components)

SPA DISADVANTAGES TO MPA

- ▶ Complexity and scalability
- ▶ First load is slower (loading / blank page)
- ▶ Heavy client frameworks
- ▶ UI code is not compiled
- ▶ Perception of speed (it is still a perception)
- ▶ SEO (universal rendering)
- ▶ Memory management (phones)
- ▶ Crazy state of JS development/ecosystem (leftpad)

MAKE SINGLE PAGE APP WHEN IT MAKES SENSE

- ▶ There is manpower to do it
- ▶ UX is essential
- ▶ It is an app, not a marketing website
- ▶ You don't care about SEO
(yes I know about universal rendering)
- ▶ It is a realtime app (chat)

OTHER THINGS TO HAVE IN MIND

- ▶ Be careful when choosing FE framework
- ▶ Frameworks expect you to develop in a certain way
- ▶ Universal rendering is adding ever more complexity

HOW CAN WE MAKE IT EASIER?

- ▶ Rethink if combination of server and client would work (Laravel + Vue.js is a good example)
- ▶ Reusing templates (widgets)
- ▶ Split your big app into a few smaller SPAs

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THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS?