



React Notes

Notes help you to start using react

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Create React App. (Zero Config)

Commands

- npx create-react-app appName
- cd appName
- npm start

Component types

1- Class Component "CC"

```
Import react, { Component } from "react";  
  
class Name extends Component{  
  
  state=[.....]; -> Here we put the dynamic data we want to use in the dynamic JSX  
  
  ...  
  
  Here we can put the Functions  
  
  ...  
  
  render() {  
  
    ... any needed vars or expressions ...  
  
    return .....;  
  
  }  
  
}  
  
export default Name;
```

2- Function Component

"sfc"(stateless function component)

```
const Name = () => {  
    return .....;  
}  
  
export default Name;
```

Notes

- To Edit the state with a new value **connection** use **setState**(object with the edited values of state)
- To use This in Event Listener:
bind it in the **constructor**
Or write it as an **arrow function** and use this in it directly (Best option)
- To use **EventListener** in **JSX**:
call it like this -> **onClick**={ this.clickHandler } without ()

- To pass a parameter to the event listener:
create another function and call the EL in it with the params passed (passed to the EL call, not the fun)
And call it in JSX as ref (mean without ())
Or
call the EL like this `onClick={this.EL.bind(this, params)}`
Or write the **arrow function** and call the EL inside and pass the parameters normally
`onClick={() => this.EL(params)}` (best option)
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Props

- Any value passed to the component like

`<Component name=... title=... />` can be used in this component using **props**

In this example there is **props.name** , **props.title**

- All attributes appear in props except key

- we can pass whole element or component in the component and call it using children

Pass it like this `<Comp> ...children... </Comp>`

State Vs. Props

State: local data owned by that specific component

Props: data passed from parent component

If the Component doesn't use **state** and use only **render** .. we can turn it into "sfc"

BUT!! Don't forget to pass **props** as a parameter and delete any use of "**this**"

Component life Cycle

1- Mounting -> Create phase

constructor() -> initialization

render()

componentDidMount() -> it is used to call the **backend** server

2- Updating

Re-render

componentDidUpdate() -> here we can access the old and new values of state and props using **prevProps**, **prevState** for the old vals

3- Unmount

componentWillUnmount() - > here we can do something just before deleting the component

Hooks

Make us able to use all react features in function components

Advantages:-

- No need for **this** keyword
- No need to manually **bind** event handlers
- Allow for shared logic encapsulation
- Make it cleaner to build complex components

useState()

- Takes initial value of **state** to use it

```
const [ state, setState ] = useState(init val);
```

- To call it on some event

```
onClick = { () => setState(newValue) }
```

- We can setState based on prevState

```
setState( (prevState) => ..... )
```

- The val of **state** can be object To edit specific element in the object we do this

```
setState( { ...state, element : state.element } )
```

useEffect()

Cases:-

1- without dependency array

`useEffect(Arrow function)` Executes after **every** render

2- with empty dependency array

`useEffect(Arrow function, [])` Executes **just** after **first** render

3- with dependency array

`useEffect(Arrow function, [...,...])`

Executes after **first** render and **after any change** in the dependencies.

useInterval()

Takes 2 parameters

1- function to be executed

2- waiting time before re-executing the function

`clearInterval()` -> the interval must be cleared so no unexpected actions happen

To clear it

```
useEffect( () => {
```

```
.....
```

Function implementation

```
const interval = setInterval( function, 1000 );
```

```
return () => {clearInterval( interval );}
```

```
}, [ ....., ..... ] );
```

- If you want to use this function just in `useEffect` .. write it inside `useEffect`

Routing

To render different components **based on the URL**

There are 2 versions **V5, V6** each one of them have its way

V5

Import { **BrowserRouter, Routes, Route** } from "react-router-dom"

To use it:-

```
<BrowserRouter>
```

```
<Routes>
```

```
<Route path="/" element={ <Home/> }/>
```

```
<Route path="/about" element={<About/>}/>
```

```
</Routes>
```

```
</BrowserRouter>
```

- If we want to add **shared** element in **all** routers we put this component in BR(BrowserRouter) outside Routes

- to navigate between routes, we use Link instead of a

```
<Link to="path"> Link text </Link>
```

V6

This makes us able to deal with APIs

To use it :-

Add to the imports : `createReactBrowser`,
`createRoutesFromElements`, `RouterProvider`

```
const router = createBrowserRouter(
  CreateRoutesFromElements(
    <Route path="/" element={ <RootLayout/> }>
      <Route index (this means path "/") elements={<Home/>}/>
      <Route path="about" element={<About/>}/>
    </Route>
  )
);

function RootLayout() {
  return (
    <>
      Components to be shown at the top always like navbar
      <Outlet/> (in Execution this will be replaced by the routes)
      Components to be shown at the top always like navbar
    </>
  );
}

function App() {
  return <RouterProvider router={router}/>}
```

Programmatically Navigate

useNavigate()

```
const navigate = useNavigate();

const handleClick = () => {

  //logic

  navigate(path)

}
```

Protected Route

Be used if there are pages **can't** be accessed **except** if logged in user or any condition

Forms

- you can build form in normal way but you must take care of `onSubmit` -> create its handler

- the values of the elements must be stored in the `state` so we can use them to `sync` values on submit you use

```
name="state element name" in html element and  
value={this.state.element}
```

- you must handle `change` too otherwise you won't be able edit the form elements

- in `onSubmit` you must firstly write `e.preventDefault()` so the page doesn't render every time we submit

- to handle Change

```
changeHandler = e => {  
  
  //clone  
  
  let state = { ...this.state };  
  
  //Edit  
  
  state[e.currentTarget.name] = e.currentTarget.value;  
  
  //set State  
  
  this.setState(state);  
  
}
```

Validation

- to handle validation, you can use [joi library](#) or

We add "errors{}" in **state**

Create validate fun

```

Validate = () => {

  const errors = {};

  If(this.state.username.trim()=== "")

  errors.username="username is required";

  If(this.state.password.trim()=== "")

  errors.password="password is required";

  //set state

  This.setState({errors});

  return object.keys(errors).length===0 ? Null : errors;

};

handleSubmit = e => {

  e.preventDefault();

  const errors = this.validate();

  If(errors) return;

  //else call backend and continue your logic

};

```

Calling Backend

The best place to call the backend is in `componentDidMount()`

As example to get data from `JsonPlaceholder`

```
componentDidMount() {  
  
  const promise = fetch('url of end point');  
  
  const res = promise.then(res => res.json());  
  
  Res.then(data => console.log(data));  
  
} (this get all data as json and output them as object)
```

Promise: it is returned result of calling any async function

- You can deal with backend using `fetch` or any other library like `Axios`

To do the same with Axios

```
async componentDidMount(){  
  
  const { data } = await axios.get(EP url);  
  
}
```

- to test dummy data related to your app using json file ... you need to use `Json-Server`

To use it (after installing) open terminal in the json file folder and run this command:

`npx Json-Server -watch jsonfilename.json`

Dealing with data

1- **GET** (list all elements)

```
async componentDidMount(){  
  
  //call backend data  
  
  const { data } = await axios.get(EP url);  
  
  //set state  
  
  this.setState( { stateName : data } );  
  
}
```

2- **POST** (add new element)

In submit handler

```
await axios.post(EP url, obj(the new element));
```

3- **GET** (specific element by ID)

To get ID

```
const id = this.props.match.params.id;  
  
await { data } = await axios.get( EP url + id );
```

4- PUT (edit element)

In submit handler

First delete id in the obj you are editing, so no conflict happens.

```
delete obj.id;  
  
await axios.put(EP url + id, obj);
```

5- PATCH (edit element)

The same way as put ... **but** just send fields that need update

6- DELETE

```
await axios.delete( EP url + id );
```

Then edit the **state** .. as example

```
const products = this.states.filter( p => p.id !== product.id );  
  
this .setState( {products} );
```

Pessimistic Vs. Optimistic

Pessimistic (slow app)

- 1- Call Backend
- 2- Change State

This can be better used while **testing** and **developing** to see the results of the execution in a better way

Optimistic (fast app)

- 1- Change State
- 2- Call Backend

After checking everything it's better to use this way so the app appears faster

Prop Drilling

sending info by **props** to many components that may not need it

happens because of Lifting State up so specific component - maybe in the same level- can reach it by **props** when it be in a shared parent

To solve this problem, we can use **context API** and `useContext()` hook.

useReducer()

It does the same job as `useState()`

It is better to use `useReducer()` in cases when we have **many related states** in the component and a handler for each of them

Using it here will make the code look cleaner as you will create **just 1** handler for the **related states** and put the logic of each case in it

React.memo()

When you perform some action on a child component the **whole** component **re-render** even the child components that have not been changed

As example

```
<Parent>
```

```
<Child1 />
```

```
<Child2 />
```

```
</Parent>
```

If you perform action on **child2** .. the whole component(**Parent**) re-render including **child1** that have not been touched

To solve this and avoid unnecessary render we use `React.memo()`

It check the passed **props** if there is no changes (depending on the **old props**) it doesn't render

To use it you write it in the export line of the child component

```
export default React.memo(ComponentName);
```

useCallback()

Allow you to **cache** the function definition between renders

It takes 2 parameters

1- **Callback function** -> the function we want to cache its reference

2- **Array of dependencies** -> contains the variables that relate to the function

- you should use it with **React.memo()** to make it useful

useMemo()

Cache the result of any heavy calculation between renders

React Toastify

Allow you to add nice toast notification to your app.