

MODULE 7

7.1 - REACT HOOKS

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There are two ways to create React Components:

- **Class Components**
- **Function Components**



Traditionally, React required us to create **Class Components** to:

- Use **state** within a component
- Use other React specific features (e.g lifecycle methods)



```
import React, { Component } from 'react';

class HelloWorld extends Component {
  constructor(props) {
    super(props);
    state = {
      message: 'Hello World!',
    };
  }

  componentDidMount() {} // e.g lifecycle method

  render() {
    return <h2>{this.state.message}</h2>;
  }
}
```



Function Components often appeared more "presentational"

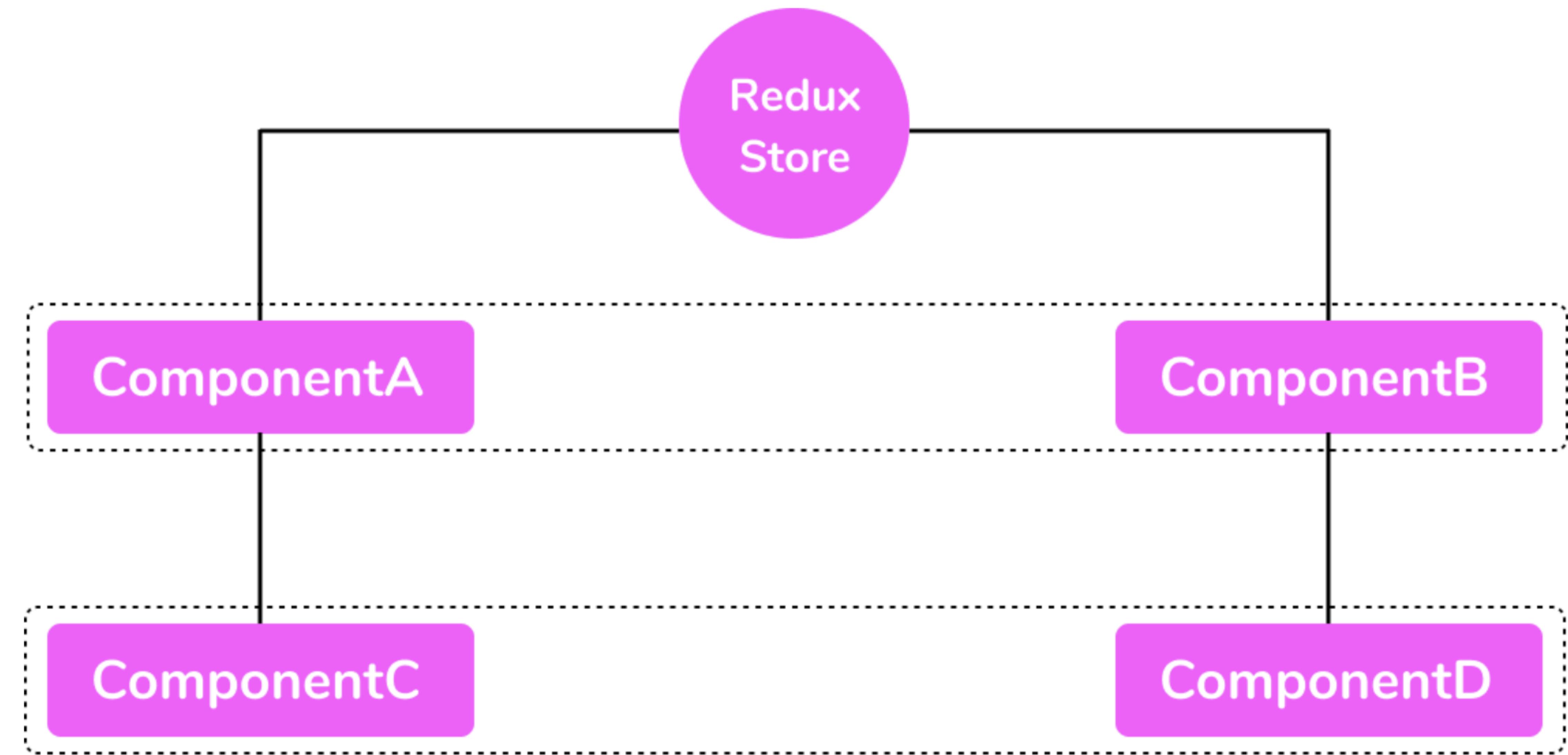
```
import React from 'react';

const HelloWorld = ({ message, changeMessage }) => {
  return <h2 onClick={changeMessage}>{message}</h2>;
};
```



"Presentational" and "Container" Component pattern emerged from this





**Stateful Class
Components**

**Stateless Function
Components**



"Presentational" and "Container" Component pattern isn't really encouraged any longer



Typical advanced patterns to handle logic reuse were:

- Higher Order Components
- Render Props

Downside is that these made components a lot more *complex*



React didn't provide a simpler/smaller primitive to adding state or lifecycle than a Class component

Motivation behind React Hooks



React Hooks

Allow us to handle state and other React features in Function Components

Aims to simplify re-use of *stateful* logic between components



```
import React, { Component } from "react";

class Counter extends Component {
  constructor(props) {
    super(props);
    state = {
      count: 0
    }

    this.increment = this.increment.bind(this);
    this.decrement = this.decrement.bind(this);
  }

  increment() {
    setState({
      count: this.state.count + 1
    })
  }

  decrement() {
    setState({
      count: this.state.count - 1
    })
  }

  return (
    <div>
      <p>{this.state.count}</p>
      <button onClick={increment}>Increment</button>
      <button onClick={decrement}>Decrement</button>
    </div>
  );
}
```



```
import React, { useState } from "react";

const Counter = () => {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(0);

  const increment = () => {
    setCount(count + 1);
  };

  const decrement = () => {
    setCount(count - 1);
  };

  return (
    <div>
      <p>{count}</p>
      <button onClick={increment}>Increment</button>
      <button onClick={decrement}>Decrement</button>
    </div>
  );
};
```



Hooks allow us to *split* component logic to smaller
functions that can be reused between components



```
import React, { useState } from "react";

const useCounter = (initialState) => {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(initialState);

  const increment = () => setCount(count + 1);
  const decrement = () => setCount(count - 1);

  return [count, { increment, decrement }];
};

const Counter = () => {
  const [myCount, { increment, decrement }] = useCounter(0);

  return (
    <div>
      <p>{myCount}</p>
      <button onClick={increment}>Increment</button>
      <button onClick={decrement}>Decrement</button>
    </div>
  );
};
```



- Hooks are **functions**
- Hooks should always be called at the top-level of components
- Hooks should only be called from React functions
- Hooks are entirely opt-in (no breaking changes)



Great References:

- React Today and Tomorrow... | **React Conf 2018** - [Link](#)
- Hooks API Reference | **React Docs** - [Link](#)
- Rules of Hooks | **React Docs** - [Link](#)

