

Developing SPFx Web Parts using React.js



Agenda

- Getting Started with React.js
- Working with JSX and TSX files
- Understanding Component Properties vs. State
- Developing SPFx Web Parts using React.js
- Passing Web Part Properties to a Component



Introducing React

- React is a framework for building user interfaces
 - The framework *reacts* to state changes in the UI
 - Emphasizes component-based development
 - Lighter than other frameworks
 - Ideal for building web parts



React Fundamentals

- Obtain the framework withfrom a CDN or npm
 - npm install react --save
 - npm install react-dom --save
- React is the main entry point to APIs
- ReactDOM used to render elements
- React.DOM wraps standard HTML elements



Hello World, the React Edition

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <meta charset="utf-8" />
  <title>React JavaScript Basics</title>
</head>
<body>

  <div id="app"></div>

  <!-- React Libraries -->
  <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/react/15.5.4/react.min.js"></script>
  <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/react/15.5.4/react-dom.min.js"></script>

  <script>
    ReactDOM.render(React.DOM.h1(null, "Hello, React!"), document.getElementById("app"));
  </script>

</body>
</html>
```



React Components

- A custom class extending `React.Component`
 - render method returns a React component
 - Immutable props for component configuration
 - Changeable state used to render component



ES5 Component

- Created using `React.createClass`

```
var CreateandRenderSimpleComponent = (): void => {  
  var myComponent = React.createClass({  
    render: () => { return React.DOM.h1(null, "Hello React!") }  
  });  
  
  ReactDOM.render(  
    React.createElement(myComponent),  
    document.getElementById("message")  
  )  
}
```



Component in TypeScript or ES6

- Component derives from `React.Component`
 - Base class can be parameterized with interfaces
 - First interface defines component properties
 - Second interface defines component state

```
import * as React from 'react';

export interface MyCustomProps {
  name: string;
}

export class Component1 extends React.Component<MyCustomProps, {}> {
  render() {
    return <div>Hello, {this.props.name}</div>;
  }
}
```



Utilizing JSX (and TSX)

- JSX is a preprocessor step
 - It allows for XML syntax in to JavaScript code
 - It's optional, but very useful for organizing components
 - It requires a transpiler like TypeScript or Babel
- The following are equivalent:

```
ReactDOM.render(  
  React.createElement(Component, { message: "My first component" }),  
  document.getElementById("app"));
```

```
ReactDOM.render(  
  <Component message="My first component" />,  
  document.getElementById("app"));
```



React and JSX

```
export default class Futurepart extends React.Component<any, any> {

  constructor(props: any){
    super(props);
    this.state = { message: "Press the button when you can" };
  }

  public render(): JSX.Element {
    return (
      <div className={styles.futurepart}>
        <div className={styles.container}>

          <h3>Hello React and JSX/TSX</h3>

          <div>
            <input type="Button" onClick={e => this.onClickHandler(e) } value="Click me"
          </div>

          <div className={styles.message} >{this.state.message}</div>

        </div>
      </div>
    );
  }
}
```

Component Lifecycle

- `componentWillUpdate`
 - executed before component is rendered
- `componentDidUpdate`
 - executed after component is rendered
- `componentWillMount`
 - executed before node is added to the DOM
- `componentDidMount`
 - executed after node is added to the DOM
- `componentWillUnmount`
 - executed before node is removed from the DOM
- `shouldComponentUpdate(newProps, newState)`
 - executed before component is updated



fetch()

Promise-based network requests

Supported natively by Chrome 49 and above

Supported by TypeScript for other browsers

```
var myImage = document.querySelector('img');

fetch('flowers.jpg').then(function(response) {
  return response.blob();
}).then(function(myBlob) {
  var objectURL = URL.createObjectURL(myBlob);
  myImage.src = objectURL;
});
```



Asynchronous Calls and State Update

```
public componentDidMount(): void {  
  fetch(  
    '../_api/web/currentuser',  
    {  
      method: 'GET',  
      credentials: 'same-origin',  
      headers: {  
        'accept': 'application/json'  
      }  
    }  
  ).then(response => {  
    return response.json();  
  }).then(json => {  
    console.log(json);  
    this.setState({ data: json.Title, isValid: true });  
  }).catch(e => {  
    console.log(e);  
  });  
}
```

Critical for SharePoint



Event Handling

```
constructor(props: IMyProps){  
  super(props);  
  this.state.value = props.value;  
  this.changed = this.changed.bind(this);  
}
```

Be sure to bind 'this'

```
public render(): React.ReactElement<any> {  
  return (<div className={ this.className }>  
    <input onChange={this.changed} type="text"  
      value={this.state.value} />  
    </div>);  
}
```

Designate handler

```
public changed(event): void {  
  var newValue: string = event.target.value;  
  event.stopPropagation();  
  event.nativeEvent.stopImmediatePropagation();  
}
```

Implement handler

Stop bubbling
Stop other handlers



Agenda

- Overview the SharePoint Framework (SPFx)
- Setting up an SPFx Development Environment
- Creating Projects using the SPFx Templates
- Deploying SPFx Projects using an Azure CDN





DEMO

Creating Web Parts with React.js