

21. Handling Form submission

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<form>
  <div className='new-expense__controls'>
    <div className="new-expense__control">
      <label>Title</label>
      <input type='text' onChange={titleChangeHandler} />
    </div>

    <div className="new-expense__control">
      <label>Amount</label>
      <input type="number" min="0.01" step="0.01" onChange=
    </div>

    <div className="new-expense__control">
      <label>Date</label>
      <input type="date" min="2020-01-01" max="2023-12-31"
    </div>
  </div>

  <div className="new-expense__actions">
    <button type="submit">Add Expense</button>
  </div>
</form>
)
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- To handle the form submission, we could add a event listener 'click' for that submit button
- But that's not the best practice
- By default, whenever a button of type submit is pressed automatically the form element emits an event of 'Submit'
- So we can use event listener for form instead of using it in the button

```
21   return (
22     <form onSubmit={}>
23       <div className='new-expense__controls'>
24         <div className="new-expense__control">
25           <label>Title</label>
26           <input type='text' onChange=
```

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20
21   ⚡ const submitHandler={()=>{}}
22
23   ... return (
24     ... <form onSubmit={submitHandler}>
25       <div className='new-expense__controls'>
26         <div className="new-expense__control">
27           <label>Title</label>
28           <input type='text' onChange={title
```

- One important point to keep in mind is that if we submit the form, our browser by default sends a new request(POST/GET) to the server, but here we want to handle these values manually in react
- so to avoid this we could use preventdefault to avoid sending a request to the server

```

20      (parameter) event: an
21      const submitHandler=(event)=>{
22          event.preventDefault();
23      }
24
25      return (
26          <form onSubmit={submitHandler}>

```

- Here we are passing in the event parameter sent by the onSubmit props
- Then we are using the preventDefault() function to avoid the request being send to the server
- After this we could do whatever we want to do with these values

```

21      const submitHandler=(event)=>{
22          event.preventDefault();
23
24          const expenseData={
25              title:enteredTitle,
26              amount:enteredAmount,
27              date:new Date(enteredDate)
28          }
29          console.log(expenseData);
30      }

```

- Here we are creating a new object and printing the object