## **Dock**

Electron has APIs to configure the app's icon in the macOS Dock. A macOS-only API exists to create a custom dock menu, but Electron also uses the app dock icon as the entry point for cross-platform features like <u>recent documents</u> and <u>application progress</u>.

The custom dock is commonly used to add shortcuts to tasks the user wouldn't want to open the whole app window for.

## Dock menu of Terminal.app:



To set your custom dock menu, you need to use the <a href="mailto:app.dock.setMenu">app.dock.setMenu</a> API, which is only available on macOS.

```
const { app, BrowserWindow, Menu } = require('electron')
```

```
const createWindow = () => {
 const win = new BrowserWindow({
   width: 800,
   height: 600,
 })
 win.loadFile('index.html')
const dockMenu = Menu.buildFromTemplate([
   label: 'New Window',
   click () { console.log('New Window') }
   label: 'New Window with Settings',
   submenu: [
     { label: 'Basic' },
     { label: 'Pro' }
   ]
 },
  { label: 'New Command...' }
])
app.whenReady().then(() => {
 if (process.platform === 'darwin') {
   app.dock.setMenu(dockMenu)
 }
}).then(createWindow)
app.on('window-all-closed', () => {
 if (process.platform !== 'darwin') {
    app.quit()
 }
})
app.on('activate', () => {
 if (BrowserWindow.getAllWindows().length === 0) {
   createWindow()
 }
})
```

After launching the Electron application, right click the application icon. You should see the custom menu you just defined:

