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# CURRENT TRENDS IN WEB DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

# AGENDA

- ▶ Course Ranking App
- ▶ Data Binding Review
- ▶ Computed Properties
- ▶ Event Handling
- ▶ Components and Props
- ▶ Chrome Dev Tools

## COURSE RANKING APP

- ▶ To highlight our examples, we will develop a course ranking application that allows Users to upvote various courses on your application.
- ▶ Some key features of the app are:
  - ▶ Load data from an external data source
  - ▶ List and sort all courses in order of # of votes
  - ▶ Up-voting
  - ▶ Highlighting courses with many votes

# DATA BINDING REVIEW

```
<article class="media">
  <figure class="media-left">
    
  </figure>
  <div class="media-content">
    <div class="content">
      <p>
        <strong>
          <a href="#" class="has-text-info">CS4220</a>
          <span class="tag is-small">#4</span>
        </strong>
        <br> Current Trends in Web Design and Development
        <br>
        <small class="is-size-7">
          Submitted by:
          
        </small>
      </p>
    </div>
  </div>
  <div class="media-right">
    <span class="icon is-small">
      <i class="fa fa-chevron-up"></i>
      <strong class="has-text-info">10</strong>
    </span>
  </div>
</article>
```

## ► Code Example

## ► No Binding

# DATA BINDING REVIEW

```
<article class="media" v-for="course in courses">
  <figure class="media-left">
    
  </figure>
  <div class="media-content">
    <div class="content">
      <p>
        <strong>
          <a v-bind:href="course.url" class="has-text-info">
            {{course.title}}
          </a>
          <span class="tag is-small">{{course.id}}</span>
        </strong>
        <br> {{course.description}}
        <br>
        <small class="is-size-7">
          Submitted by:
          
        </small>
      </p>
    </div>
  </div>
  <div class="media-right">
    <span class="icon is-small">
      <i class="fa fa-chevron-up"></i>
      <strong class="has-text-info">{{course.votes}}</strong>
    </span>
  </div>
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```

## ► Code Example

## ► Binding using v-for

## COMPUTED PROPERTIES

- ▶ Computed properties are used to perform calculations within the Vue instance.
- ▶ The result can then be rendered in the view

```
new Vue({  
  el: '#app',  
  data: {  
    courses: Seed.courses  
  },  
  computed: {  
    sortedCourses () {  
      return this.courses.sort((a, b) => {  
        return b.votes - a.votes  
      });  
    }  
  }  
});
```

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## EVENT HANDLING

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```
<div class="media-right">
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    <strong class="has-text-info">{{course.votes}}</strong>
  </span>
</div>
```



## EVENT HANDLING

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- ▶ A shorthand for v-on is the @ symbol.



```
<div class="media-right">  
  <span class="icon is-small" @click="upvote(course.id)">  
    <i class="fa fa-chevron-up"></i>  
    <strong class="has-text-info">{{course.votes}}</strong>  
  </span>  
</div>
```

## EVENT HANDLING

- ▶ Next, we must define the event handler in the Vue instance.
- ▶ Note: Some code is omitted for simplicity.

```
new Vue({  
  el: '#app',  
  ...  
  methods: {  
    upvote: function(courseId) {  
      const course = this.courses.find(  
        course => course.id === courseId  
      );  
      course.votes++;  
    }  
  }  
});
```

## CLASS BINDING

- ▶ Next, lets conditionally apply a class to each course (article) whenever the number of votes is greater than 20

```
<article class="media"  
    v-for="course in sortedCourses"  
    v-bind:class="{ 'blue-border': course.votes >= 20 }">  
    <!-- The rest of the article HTML -->  
</article>
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- ▶ What happens to the `media` class that was initially applied to the `article`?

## COURSE RANKING APP – WHAT'S NEXT?

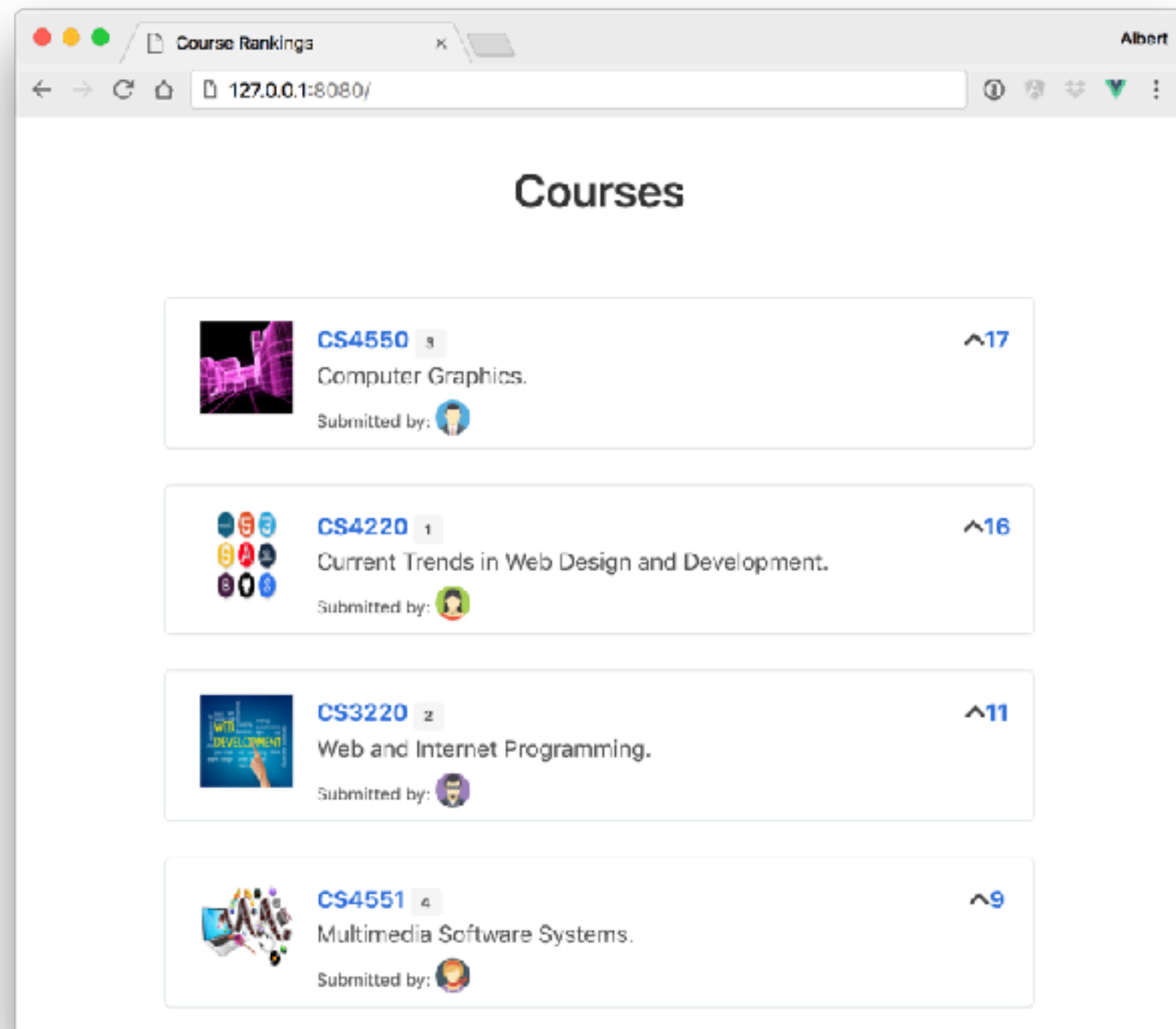
- ▶ We've completed our application by implementing all of the functionality we initially defined.
- ▶ How can we expand the functionality?
  - ▶ Header/Navbar, Sidebar to add new courses, Footer, etc...
- ▶ Using our current approach will bloat our HTML, and force us to add many more methods and datum to our Vue instance
- ▶ Solution? Isolated Components

# COMPONENTS

- ▶ Vue provides users the ability to create isolated components within their application
- ▶ Components are intended to be self-contained modules that group markup (HTML), logic (JS), and even styles (CSS) within them.
- ▶ Motivation? Reusability and Maintainability

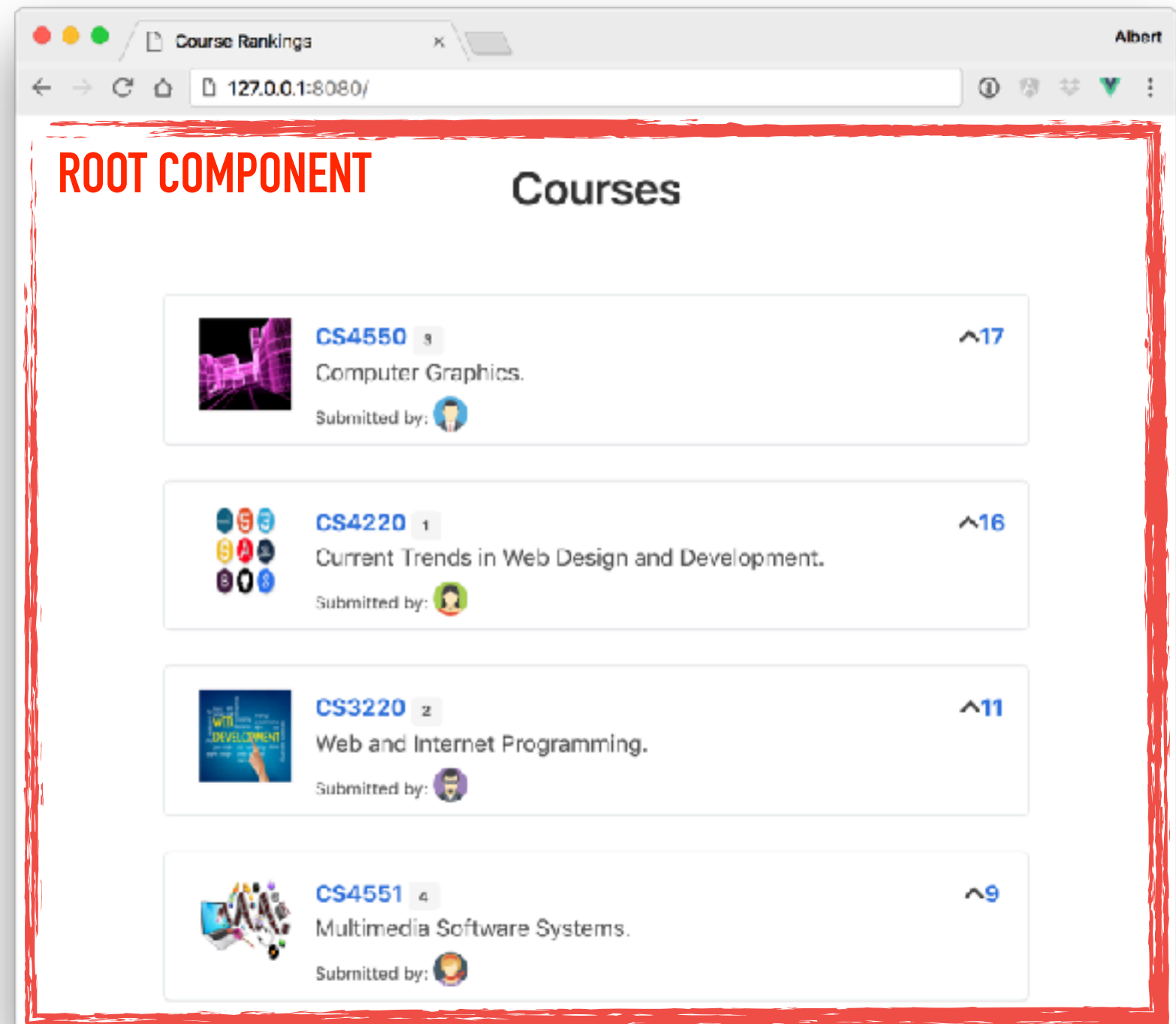
# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- ▶ Let's divide our application into two separate components



# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

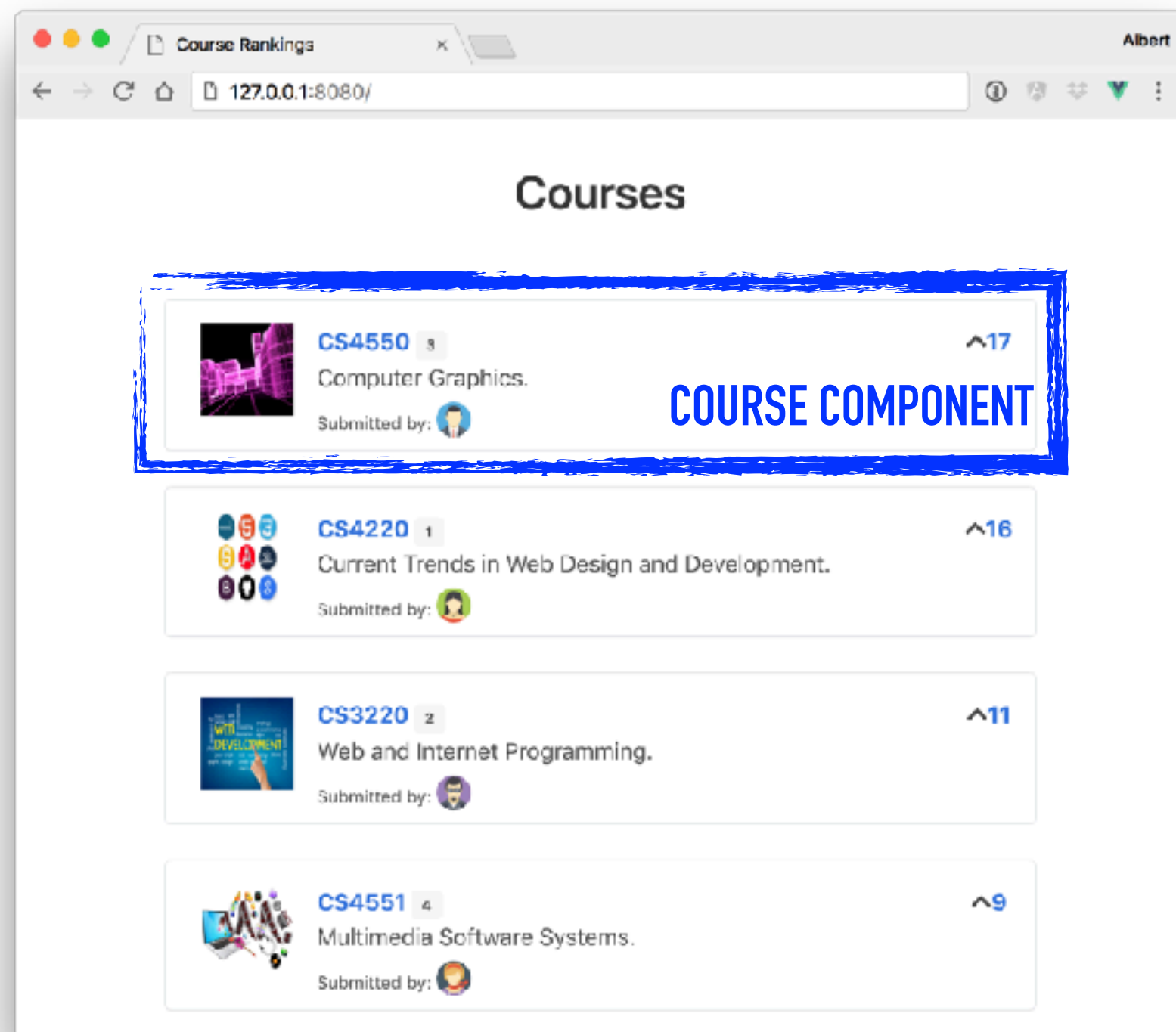
- ▶ The Root Component.
- ▶ This is our existing Vue instance.





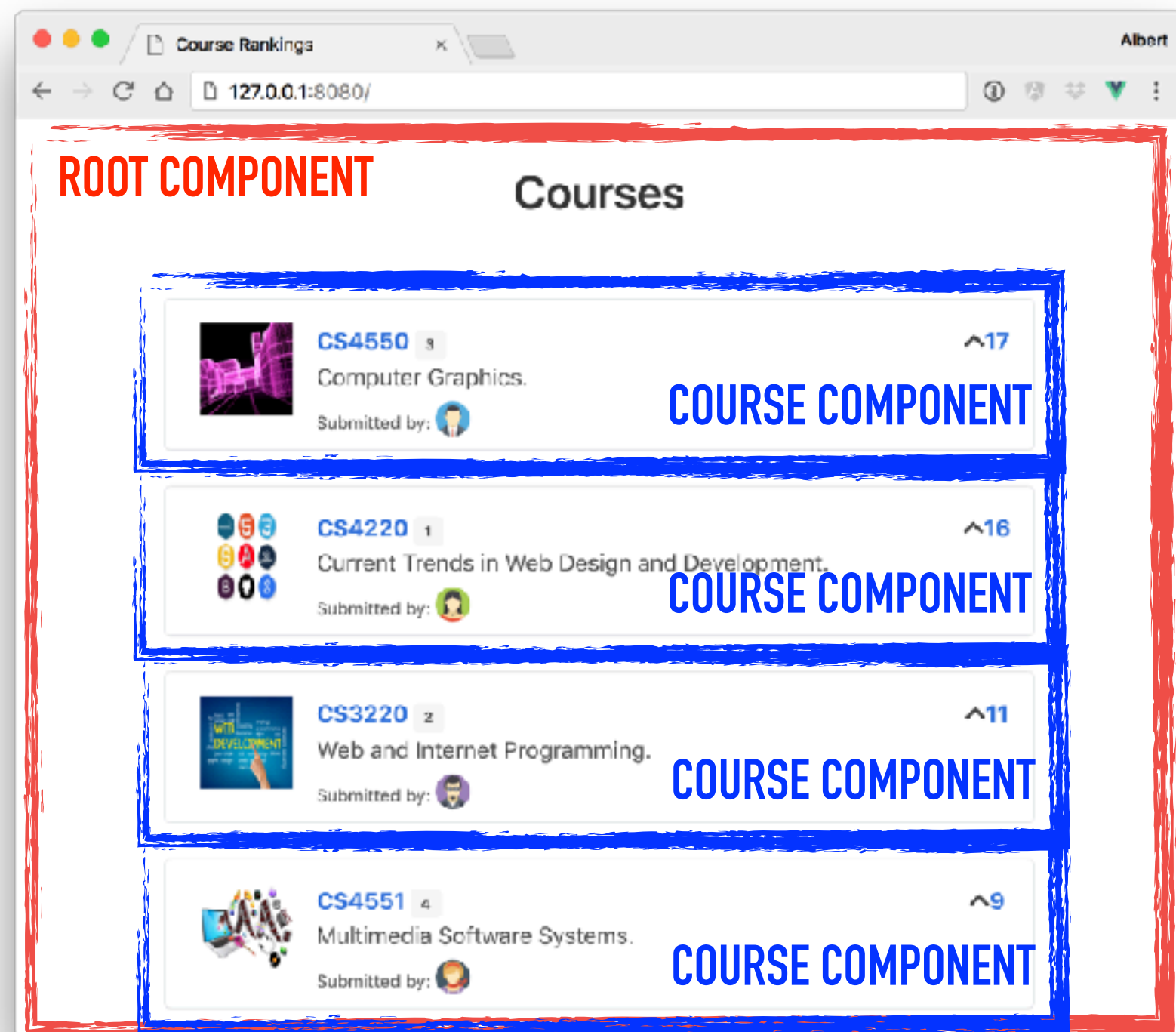
# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- ▶ The Course Component.
- ▶ This will be a new component representing a single course.



# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- ▶ Ultimately, our goal is to re-use the course component for every course we are displaying.



# CREATING A COMPONENT

- ▶ Creating a Global Vue Component

```
Vue.component('course-component', {  
  // options  
});
```

- ▶ Although this would work, we are instead going to define our component within the context of our application.

## CREATING A COMPONENT

- ▶ We will create a new course-component and register it with our main Vue instance using the component option.

```
const courseComponent = {  
  
};  
  
new Vue({  
  // ...  
});
```

# CREATING A COMPONENT

- ▶ Vue components *are* Vue instances.
- ▶ We can define the template of a component using strings.
  - ▶ [Template literals](#) are useful when defining our templates.

```
const courseComponent = {  
  template:  
    `

Hello from our Course Component!  
    </div>`  
}


```

- ▶ *NOTE: We're writing templates for a Vue application that isn't being precompiled. Next lecture we'll define component templates that will be precompiled during build.*

## CREATING A COMPONENT

- ▶ For our course component, we need our template to represent all HTML elements that are contained within a single course.

```
const courseComponent = {  
  template:  
    `      <figure class="media-left">  
          
      </figure>  
      <div class="media-content">  
        <div class="content">  
          <p>  
            <strong>  
              <a v-bind:href="course.url" class="has-text-info">{{course.title}}</a>
```

...The rest of the template has been omitted for readability

## CAVEATS WHEN CREATING A COMPONENT

- ▶ Vue imposes a strict limitation requiring the template of a component be enclosed within a single root element.
  - ▶ This is why the template is wrapped with a single `div`
- ▶ The `course` object in this template is currently undefined.
  - ▶ We will use Vue [props](#) to pass the data from the root component down to this component when the component is declared.
- ▶ The `upvote()` click listener method needs to be migrated to the `courseComponent` for it to work.

## USING A COMPONENT

- ▶ We replace the inner content of our article with the course component we just created.

```
<article class="media"
  v-for="course in sortedCourses"
  v-bind:class="{ 'blue-border': course.votes >= 20}">
  <course-component></course-component>
</article>
```

- ▶ *Our Vue instance doesn't know what a course component is...yet!*



## USING A COMPONENT

- ▶ We define the course component as a key in the components property of our Vue instance to give the instance awareness of our custom component

```
new Vue({  
  // ...  
  components: {  
    'course-component': courseComponent  
  }  
});
```

# PROPS

- ▶ In Vue, data is passed from a parent component to a child component using props.
- ▶ Props can only flow in a single direction: parent to child.
- ▶ The `v-bind` directive is used to bind dynamic values (or objects) as props in a parent instance.

## BINDING PARENT DATA TO PROPS

- ▶ We will pass the `course` and `sortedCourses` objects to the `course-component`.
  - ▶ The `course` object will be used in the template of the `course-component`.
  - ▶ The `sortedCourses` array will be used in the `upvote` function of the `course-component`.
- ▶ To do so, we modify the `course-component` as follows:

```
<article class="media"
  v-for="course in sortedCourses"
  v-bind:class="{ 'blue-border': course.votes >= 20 }">
  <course-component
    v-bind:course="course"
    v-bind:courses="sortedCourses">
  </course-component>
</article>
```

## USING PROPS IN A CHILD COMPONENT

- ▶ A child component needs to explicitly declare the props it receives with the props option.

```
const courseComponent = {  
  // ...  
  props: ['course', 'courses']  
}
```

- ▶ Now the course object and courses array can be safely used in the course component.

## MIGRATING UPVOTE

- ▶ Next, we must migrate the upvote function to the course component.
- ▶ Note, that the courses prop becomes part of the courseComponent instance, so using `this.courses` allows us to directly access the courses that were passed to our component.

```
const courseComponent = {
  template:
    `
```

## MORE SHORTHAND

- ▶ Shorthand for the v-on directive is an @

```
<span v-on:click="upvote(course.id)">
```



```
<span @click="upvote(course.id)">
```

- ▶ Shorthand for the v-bind directive is a colon :

```

```



```

```

## VUE DEV TOOLS

- ▶ Vue provides a useful Google Chrome Extension
  - ▶ <https://github.com/vuejs/vue-devtools>
- ▶ Simplifies debugging applications
- ▶ Note: We'll be working with applications opened via file:// protocol. To make the Vue devtools work for these pages, you'll need to check "Allow access to file URLs" for the extension in Chrome's extension manager:

