

Experiment No. 8

Aim:- To code and register a service worker, and complete the install and activation process for a new service worker for the E-commerce PWA.

Theory:-

Service Worker

Service Worker is a script that works on browser background without user interaction independently. Also, It resembles a proxy that works on the user side. With this script, you can track network traffic of the page, manage push notifications and develop “offline first” web applications with Cache API.

Things to note about Service Worker:

- A service worker is a programmable network proxy that lets you control how network requests from your page are handled.
- Service workers only run over HTTPS. Because service workers can intercept network requests and modify responses, "man-in-the-middle" attacks could be very bad.
- The service worker becomes idle when not in use and restarts when it's next needed. You cannot rely on a global state persisting between events. If there is information that you need to persist and reuse across restarts, you can use IndexedDB databases.

What can we do with Service Workers?

- You can dominate Network Traffic:

You can manage all network traffic of the page and do any manipulations. For example, when the page requests a CSS file, you can send plain text as a response or when the page requests an HTML file, you can send a png file as a response. You can also send a true response too.

- You can Cache:

You can cache any request/response pair with Service Worker and Cache API and you can access these offline content anytime.

- You can manage Push Notifications

You can manage push notifications with Service Worker and show any information message to the user.

- You can Continue:

Although Internet connection is broken, you can start any process with Background Sync of Service Worker.

What can't we do with Service Workers?

- You can't access the Window:

You can't access the window, therefore, You can't manipulate DOM elements. But, you can communicate to the window through post Message and manage processes that you want.

- You can't work it on 80 Port:

Service Worker just can work on HTTPS protocol. But you can work on localhost during development.

A service worker goes through three steps in its life cycle:

- Registration
- Installation
- Activation

Registration

To install a service worker, you need to register it in your main JavaScript code. Registration tells the browser where your service worker is located, and to start installing it in the Background.

```
JS script.js > ...
1  if ('serviceWorker' in navigator) {
2      navigator.serviceWorker.register
3      ('/serviceworker.js') .
4      then(function(registration) {
5          console.log('Registration successful, scope is:', registration.scope);
6      })
7      .catch(function(error) {
8          console.log('Service worker registration failed, error:', error);
9      });
10 }
11
```

This code starts by checking for browser support by examining navigator.serviceWorker. The service worker is then registered with navigator.serviceWorker.register, which returns a promise that resolves when the service worker has been successfully registered.

The scope of the service worker is then logged with registration.scope. If the service worker is already installed, navigator.serviceWorker.register returns the registration object of the currently active service worker. The scope of the service worker determines which files the service worker controls, in other words, from which path the service worker will intercept requests. The default scope is the location of the service worker file, and extends to all directories below. So if service-worker.js is located in the root directory, the service worker will control requests from all files at this domain.

You can also set an arbitrary scope by passing in an additional parameter when registering.
For example:

script.js

```
navigator.serviceWorker.register  
('/serviceworker.js', { scope: '/app' });
```

In this case we are setting the scope of the service worker to /app/, which means the service worker will control requests from pages like /app/, /app/lower/ and /app/lower/lower, but not from pages like /app or /, which are higher.

If you want the service worker to control higher pages e.g. /app (without the trailing slash) you can indeed change the scope option, but you'll also need to set the Service-Worker-Allowed HTTP Header in your server config for the request serving the service worker script.

script.js

```
navigator.serviceWorker.register  
('/app/service-worker.js', { scope: '/app' });
```

Installation

Once the browser registers a service worker, installation can be attempted. This occurs if the service worker is considered to be new by the browser, either because the site currently doesn't have a registered service worker, or because there is a byte difference between the new service worker and the previously installed one.

A service worker installation triggers an install event in the installing service worker. We can include an install event listener in the service worker to perform some task when the service worker installs. For instance, during the install, service workers can precache parts of a web app so that it loads instantly the next time a user opens it (see caching the application shell). So, after that first load, you're going to benefit from instant repeat loads and your time to interactivity is going to be even better in those cases.

An example of an installation event listener looks like this:

service-worker.js

```
// Listen for install event, set callback  
self.addEventListener('install', function(event) {  
  // Perform some task  
});
```

Activation:

Once a service worker has successfully installed, it transitions into the activation stage. If there are any open pages controlled by the previous service worker, the new service worker enters a waiting state.

The new service worker only activates when there are no longer any pages loaded that are still using the old service worker. This ensures that only one version of the service worker is running at any given time.

service-worker.js

```
self.addEventListener('activate', function(event) {  
  // Perform some task  
});
```

```
</section> -->  
  
  <script src="/script.js">  
    window.addEventListener('load',() =>{  
      async function registerSW(){  
        try{  
          await navigator.serviceWorker.register('/service.js');  
        }  
        catch (e){  
          console.log('SW registration failed')  
        }  
      }  
    })  
  </script>
```

serviceworker.js:

```
// Service Worker File  
var CACHE_NAME = 'my-grocery-store-cache-v1';  
  
var urlsToCache = [  
  '/',  
  '/index.html',  
  '/css/styles.css',  
  '/manifest.json',  
  '/icons/icon.png', // Added from manifest.json  
  '/media/images/Product1.png', // Adjusted image paths  
  '/media/images/Product2.png', // Adjusted image paths  
  '/media/images/Product3.png', // Adjusted image paths
```

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    '/js/myscript.js' // Adjusted path if your script is located at
    /js/myscript.js
  ];

self.addEventListener('install', function(event) {
  event.waitUntil(
    caches.open(CACHE_NAME)
      .then(function(cache) {
        console.log('Opened cache');
        return cache.addAll(urlsToCache);
      })
      .catch(function(error) {
        console.error('Cache addAll failed:', error);
      })
  );
});

self.addEventListener('fetch', function(event) {
  event.respondWith(
    caches.match(event.request)
      .then(function(response) {
        if (response) {
          return response;
        }
        var fetchRequest = event.request.clone();
        return fetch(fetchRequest)
          .then(function(response) {
            if (!response || response.status !== 200 || response.type !==
'basic') {
              return response;
            }
            var responseToCache = response.clone();
            caches.open(CACHE_NAME)
              .then(function(cache) {
                cache.put(event.request, responseToCache);
              });
            return response;
          })
          .catch(function(error) {
            console.error('Fetch failed:', error);
          })
      )
  );
});
```

```
        throw error;
    });
})
);
});

self.addEventListener('activate', function(event) {
    event.waitUntil(
        caches.keys().then(function(cacheNames) {
            return Promise.all(
                cacheNames.filter(function(cacheName) {
                    return cacheName.startsWith('my-grocery-store-cache-') &&
cacheName !== CACHE_NAME;
                }).map(function(cacheName) {
                    return caches.delete(cacheName);
                })
            );
        })
    );
});
});
```

Cache:

The screenshot displays a web application interface for a grocery store. The main header features the text "Welcome to our store!" and "Find the best deals on our wide selection of products." Below this is a "Shop Now" button. The "Most Trending Products" section shows a bag of Mahatma Organic White Rice. The browser's developer tools are open, showing the Application tab with the Storage section expanded. The "my-grocery-store-cache" is listed under Cache storage. The right pane shows the details for the cache, including the origin (http://127.0.0.1:5500), bucket name (default), and quota (0 B). The total entries are 0.

#	Name	Respons...	Content...	Content...	Time Ca...	Vary He...
Total entries: 0						

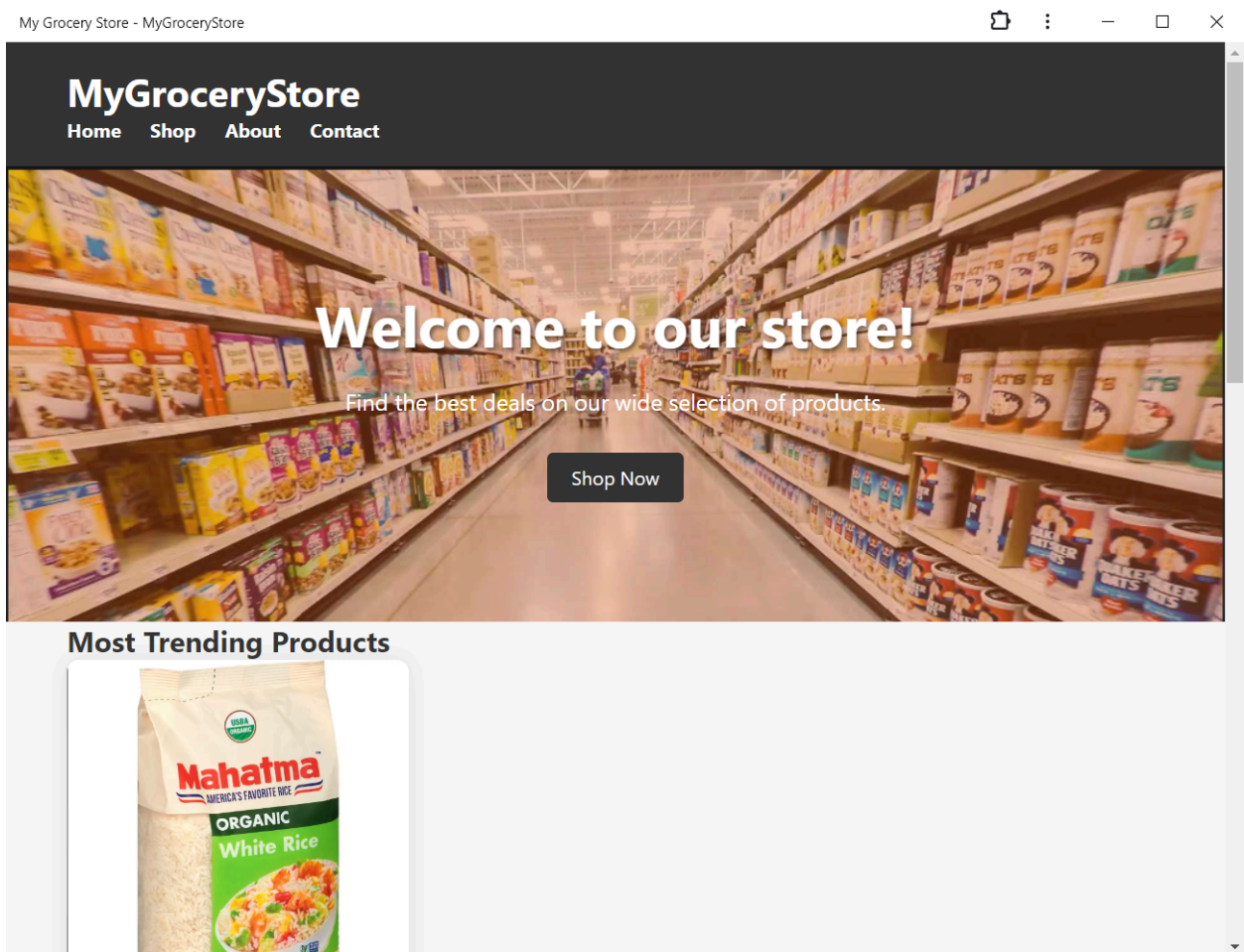
serviceworker:

The screenshot shows a web application with a service worker interface. The main content area displays a grocery store aisle with a shopping cart and a 'Shop Now' button. Below this, there's a 'Trending Products' section featuring a bag of Mahatma Organic White Rice. The right sidebar contains the 'Service workers' panel, which is currently active. It shows the service worker 'http://127.0.0.1:5500/' with a status of '#870 activated and is stopped' and '#873 waiting to activate'. The panel also includes controls for 'Offline', 'Update on reload', and 'Bypass for network'. Below these, there are sections for 'Clients', 'Push', 'Sync', 'Periodic Sync', and 'Update Cycle'.

Offline:

The screenshot shows the Chrome DevTools Network tab with the 'Network' filter selected. The 'Preserve log' checkbox is checked, and the 'Disable cache' checkbox is also checked. The 'No throttling' dropdown is set to 'No throttling'. The 'Filter' input is empty. The 'All' filter is selected, and the 'Fetch/XHR' filter is also selected. The 'Blocked response cookies' and 'Blocked requests' checkboxes are unchecked. The '3rd-party requests' checkbox is unchecked. The network log shows 8 requests, with a total of 2.1 kB transferred and 1.5 MB resources. The 'Finish' time is 103 ms, 'DOMContentLoaded' is 66 ms, and 'Load' is 78 ms. The 'Waterfall' view shows the following requests:

Name	Status	Type	Initiator	Size	Time	Waterfall
home.html	304	document	Other	297 B	17 ms	
styles.css	304	stylesheet	home.html:7	296 B	6 ms	
script.js	304	script	home.html:8	296 B	6 ms	
Product1.png	304	png	home.html:40	298 B	9 ms	
hero.png	304	png	styles.css	299 B	9 ms	
ws	101	websocket	home.html:147	0 B	Pending	
manifest.json	304	manifest	Other	296 B	11 ms	
icon.png	304	png	Other	297 B	6 ms	

**Conclusion :**

In conclusion, it's vital to thoroughly test the offline functionality of a Progressive Web App (PWA) to ensure a seamless user experience, particularly in situations where internet connectivity might be unreliable or unavailable. By simulating offline scenarios and testing how the app behaves without an internet connection, including aspects like service worker registration, resource caching, and progressive enhancement, developers can ensure that the app remains functional and user-friendly even when users are offline. This helps in providing a reliable and consistent experience to users regardless of their internet status.