

# Episode 8 - Let's Get Classy

Earlier, Class-based components were used

Children of Children in Routing

children: [

{  
  path: "/about",  
  element: <About />,  
  children: [

  ] → Parent Path

  path: "profile",  
  element: <Profile />,  
  children: [

/about/profile

Relative  
Path

  ] ← path: "profile",  
  element: <Profile />

→ No need to write /profile  
as it will not consider  
it as a child of about  
It will become /profile  
not /about/profile

  ]  
]

"/" means from the root

To render this we need to create an outlet in the parent element  
means inside <About /> or we can directly import Profile Component  
inside parent

→ Functional Component in the end is a JS function

→ Class based Component in the end is a JS class

Class Based Components

→ Class Profile extends React component ↗ 3

→ to tell its a class based components

Class based components can't be created without a render method.  
It's mandatory

render () returns some JSX which will be injected in DOM

#

```
render () {  
  return <h1> Profile Class Component </h1>  
}
```

we use this. props in Class Based Components

```
constructor (props) {  
    Super (props);  
}
```

We have to use constructor when we call/use props. While creating constructor we have to write this always. If we don't do this React will complain.

Constructor is a place where initialization happens. When the class is rendered constructor is the method to call state

Instead of useState we use this.state

```
→ this.state = {  
    count: 0  
}
```

```
→ this.state = {  
    count: 0,  
    count2: 0  
}
```

```
→ this.state = {  
    count: 0  
}
```

```
onClick {() => {  
    this.setState ({  
        count: 1  
    })  
}}
```

```
const [count] = useState (0);
```

```
const [count] = useState (0);  
const [count2] = useState (0);
```

```
const [count, setCount] = useState (0)
```

```
onClick {() => setCount (1)}
```

We do not mutate state directly

Never do this.state = something. In class-based component, all the states can be updated at once

Functional Component has exact states to update

If there are multiple state variables React will update only the newly updated state variable, keeping the other variables same/untouched.

## React Life Cycle

Constructor is called then Render is called then componentDidMount is called.

```
componentDidMount() {  
    // API Call  
}
```

This method is called after render like useEffect

→ If Parent & 1 Child

```
Parent - constructor  
Parent - render  
Child - constructor  
Child - render  
Child - componentDidMount  
Parent - componentDidMount
```

→ If Parent & 2 Children

```
Parent - constructor  
Parent - render  
First Child - constructor  
First Child - render  
Second Child - constructor  
Second Child - render  
First Child - componentDidMount  
Second Child - componentDidMount  
Parent - componentDidMount
```

React batches up the render phases of child components as commit phase takes time as updating/manipulating DOM is expensive

DOM is updated in a single batch to prevent multiple DOM updation

## React Lifecycle Methods

There are 2 phases Render Phase and Commit Phase in Reconciliation

Render Phase → constructor()  
Render()

Commit Phase → componentDidMount()

Here, React is modifying the DOM

First, React tries to batch up render phase then go to commit phase  
Render Phase is very fast

In parallel, rendering of 2 children / life cycle, Render Phase is completed for both then Commit Phase starts & completes for updating the DOM

## Fetching in Class components

```
constructor(props) {
  Super(props) {
    this.state = {
      userInfo: {
        name: "Dummy Name",
        location: "Dummy Location"
      }
    }
  }
}

async componentDidMount() {
  const data = await fetch(URL);
  const json = await data.json();
  this.setState({
    userInfo: json,
  })
}

render() {
  return (
    <h2> Name: {this.state.userInfo.name} </h2>
    <h2> Location: {this.state.userInfo.location} </h2>
  )
}
```

## Output

Parent - constructor  
Parent - render (with default value)  
Child - constructor First Child  
Child - render First Child  
Parent - componentDidMount  
{ login: 'akshaymarch7', id: '2824231' }  
Child - componentDidMount First Child  
Child - render First Child

## Mounting Cycle

- Constructor (dummy data)
- Render (dummy data)
  - <HTML Dummy>
- ComponentDidMount
  - <API call>
  - <this.setState>
    - ↳ State variable
    - ↳ userInfo

## Updating Cycle

- render (API data)
- <HTML (new API data)>
- ComponentDidUpdate

### Parent - componentDidMount

This is called before making API call in child.

Async ComponentDidMount () will be called later after parent's ComponentDidMount () as it is async in Commit Phase it will take some time to load that's why it is taking time

### Child - render First Child

As async ComponentDidMount () is setting the state it will call the render phase again so child render is printed

Re-render cycle is known as Updating. For updating the dom ComponentDidUpdate is used

### Difference between ComponentDidMount and ComponentDidUpdate ?

ComponentDidMount () is called after first render and ComponentDidUpdate is called after every render just like dependency array

ComponentWillUnmount () will be called when we go to other page before that this method will be called to unmount rendering process.

\*\* Never compare lifecycle methods to React Hooks

```
componentDidMount (prevProps, prevState) {  
  if (this.state.count != prevState.count) {  
    // code  
  }  
  
  if (this.state.count2 != prevState.count2) {  
    // code  
  }  
}
```

This is how it is written in class components

```
useEffect(() => {
  // code
  [count, count2])
```

This is how it is written in React Hooks

### Unmounting in Functional Component

```
useEffect(() => {
  setInterval(() => {
    console.log("Namaste React");
  }, 1000)
```

```
return () => {
  console.log("useEffect Return");
  clearInterval(timer);
};
```

Unmounting means Removing from the page.