

# Handling Form Submissions

NEXT: PRELUDE

Our project has a product form on the admin section ( `/admin/new` ). Right now it just has static text. This is a good time to build this product form, use it to collect data from the user, and assemble this data.

You could go right into the `New` component in the admin directory and start writing this form, however, let's slow down and give this some thought. We have two forms that might look the same, `New` and `Edit` component forms. Therefore, to uphold DRY principles (don't repeat yourself), it would be best if we make a `ProductForm` component that can be shared by `New` and `Edit` components.

Move right into `src/components/products` and create a `ProductForm.vue` file:

```
<!-- ./src/components/products/ProductForm.vue -->
<template>
  <form @submit.prevent="saveProduct">
    <div class="col-lg-5 col-md-5 col-sm-12 col-xs-12">
      <div class="form-group">
        <label>Name</label>
        <input type="text" placeholder="Name" v-model="model.name" name="name" class="form-control">
      </div>
      <div class="form-group">
        <label>Price</label>
        <input type="number" class="form-control" placeholder="Price" v-model="model.price" name="price">
      </div>
      <div class="form-group">
        <label>Manufacturer</label>
        <select type="text" class="form-control" v-model="model.manufacturer" name="manufacturer">
          <template v-for="manufacturer in manufacturers">
            <option :value="manufacturer._id" :selected="manufacturer._id == (model.manufacturer ? model.manufacturer._id : null)">{{ manufacturer.name }}
          </template>
        </select>
      </div>
    </div>
    <div class="col-lg-4 col-md-4 col-sm-12 col-xs-12">
      <div class="form-group">
        <label>Image</label>
        <input type="text" class="form-control" placeholder="Image" v-model="model.image" name="image">
      </div>
      <div class="form-group">
        <label>Description</label>
        <textarea class="form-control" placeholder="Description" rows="5" v-model="model.description">
      </div>
      <div class="form-group new-button">
        <button class="button">
          <i class="fa fa-pencil"></i>
          <!-- Conditional rendering for input text -->
          <span v-if="isEditing">Update Product</span>
          <span v-else>Add Product</span>
        </button>
      </div>
    </div>
  </form>
</template>

<script>
  export default {
    props: ['model', 'isEditing'],
  },
  methods: {
    saveProduct () {
      this.$emit('save-product', this.model)
    }
  }
</script>
```

Lots of HTML code here but everything is just basic form stuff. We have a few controls that are bound to a model. The model is an object that is received via the parent component (New or Edit). This is done by passing the values as attributes to the `ProductForm` component as shown in the code below, and explicitly declaring them using the `props` property. The `isEditing` flag is used to toggle what is displayed on the submit button.

We use the `submit` event to send the form data to JavaScript for processing. The `prevent` modifier calls the `preventDefault()` method so as to disable the submit event from reloading the page. The event is handled with `saveProduct` which emits a `save-product` component event for the parent component to listen to and act accordingly

The manufacturers' list is an array of manufacturers which we can create in the parent component for now.

```
<template>
  <product-form @save-product="addProduct" :model="model" :manufacturers="manufacturers">
  </product-form>
</template>

<script>
  import ProductForm from '@components/product/ProductForm.vue'
  export default {
    data () {
      return {
        model: {},
        manufacturers: [
          {
            _id: 'sam',
            name: 'Samsung',
          },
          {
            _id: 'apple',
            name: 'Apple',
          },
        ],
      },
    },
    methods: {
      addProduct (model) {
        console.log('model', model)
      },
    },
    components: {
      'product-form': ProductForm
    }
  }
</script>
```

We are now passing `model` and `manufacturers` to `ProductForm` via it's `New` parent. `isEditing` will be false by default so `Add Product` text will be shown on the button.

We are also listening to the `save-product` event which the child component is emitting. The event is then handled with the `addProduct` method. For now, just some console.log stuff going on.

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