Application Design



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Application design: a continuous process



The Mock



Providing houses all over the world

Houses currently on the market

Address	Country	Asking Price
12 Valley of Kings, Geneva	Switzerland	\$900,000
89 Road of Forks, Bern	Switzerland	\$500,000



Design Decisions No hard rules

Often designer/team decision

Components that do too much are unwanted

Design is a living thing



The Mock: House Composition



Providing houses all over the world



Switzerland

89 Road of Forks, Bern

\$500,000

This impressive family home, which dates back to approximately 1840, offers original period features throughout and is set back from the road with off street parking for up to six cars and an original Coach House, which has been incorporated into the main house to provide further accommodation.

Bidder	Amount	
Mohammed Valils \$302,400		
Jane Williams	\$310,500	
John Kepler	\$315,400	
Didder		

1. Break up Into a Component Hierarchy

- App
 - Banner
 - HouseList
 - HouseRow
 - House
 - BidList
 - AddBid

File Structure

```
components
  app.js
  houseList.js
  house.js
helpers
  currencyFormatter.js
  loadingStatus.js
  navValues.js
hooks
  useHouses.js
  useBids.js
  useGetRequest.js
```



File Structure

```
app.js
houses
  houseList.js
  house.js
  useHouses.js
  useBids.js
customers
  customerList.js
  useCustomers.js
common
  currencyFormatter.js
  loadingStatus.js
  navValues.js
  useGetRequest.js
```

File Structure

```
app.js
houses
                      import HouseList from "./houses"
  index.js
  house.js
  useHouses.js
  useBids.js
customers
                      import CustomerList from "./customers"
  index.js
  useCustomers.js
common
  currencyFormatter.js
  loadingStatus.js
  navValues.js
  useGetRequest.js
```

Determining a File Structure

React doesn't have an opinion

Choose something that works for the application at hand

Limit to 3 or 4 directory levels



Create a First
Application
Version

No interactivity support

Without state

Just props

In-memory data source

When Application Data is a State Candidate

It is not passed in by the parent via a prop

It changes over time

It can not be computed



Determining Application State

Houses Yes

House count No

Default house photo No

Bids Yes

New Bid Yes

There is only one component that owns the state



Placing State

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 - Banner
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How to Apply State?

useState

Custom hook

Context

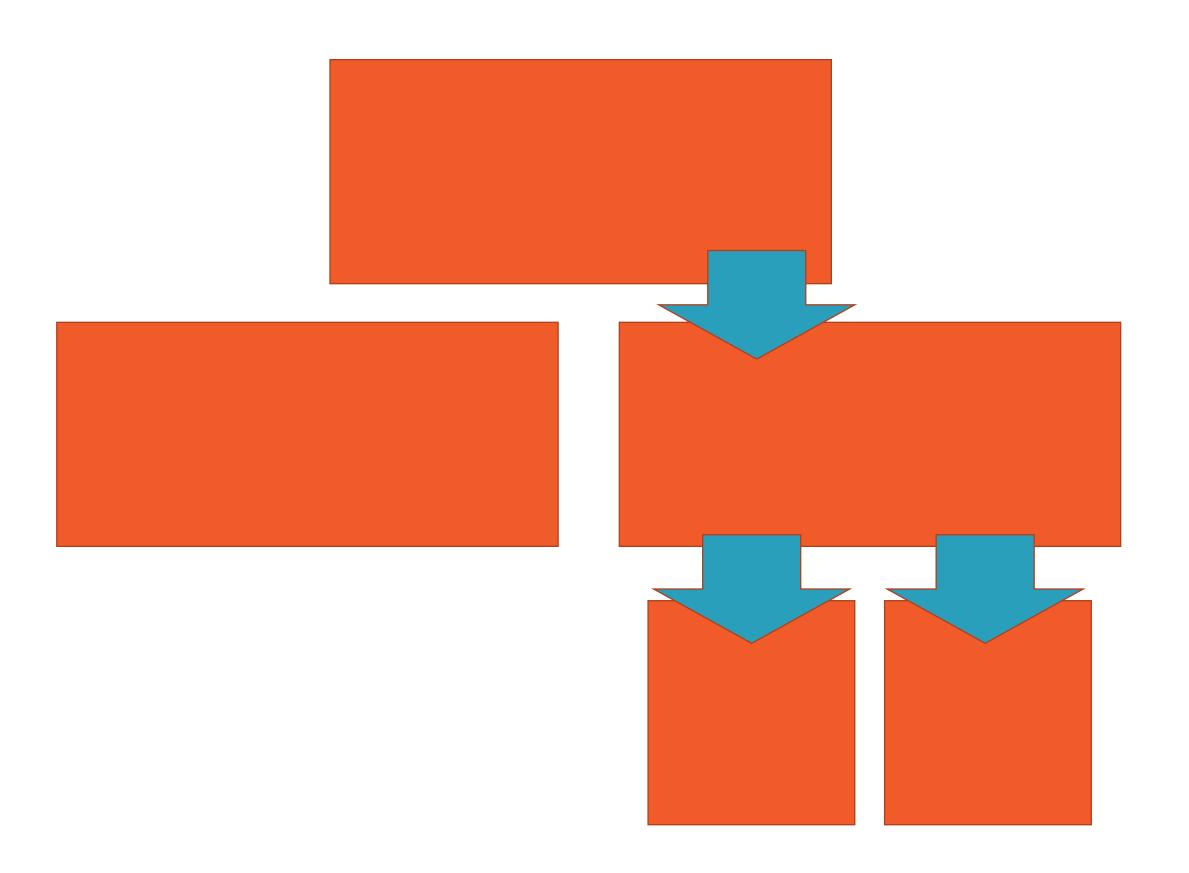


Applying State

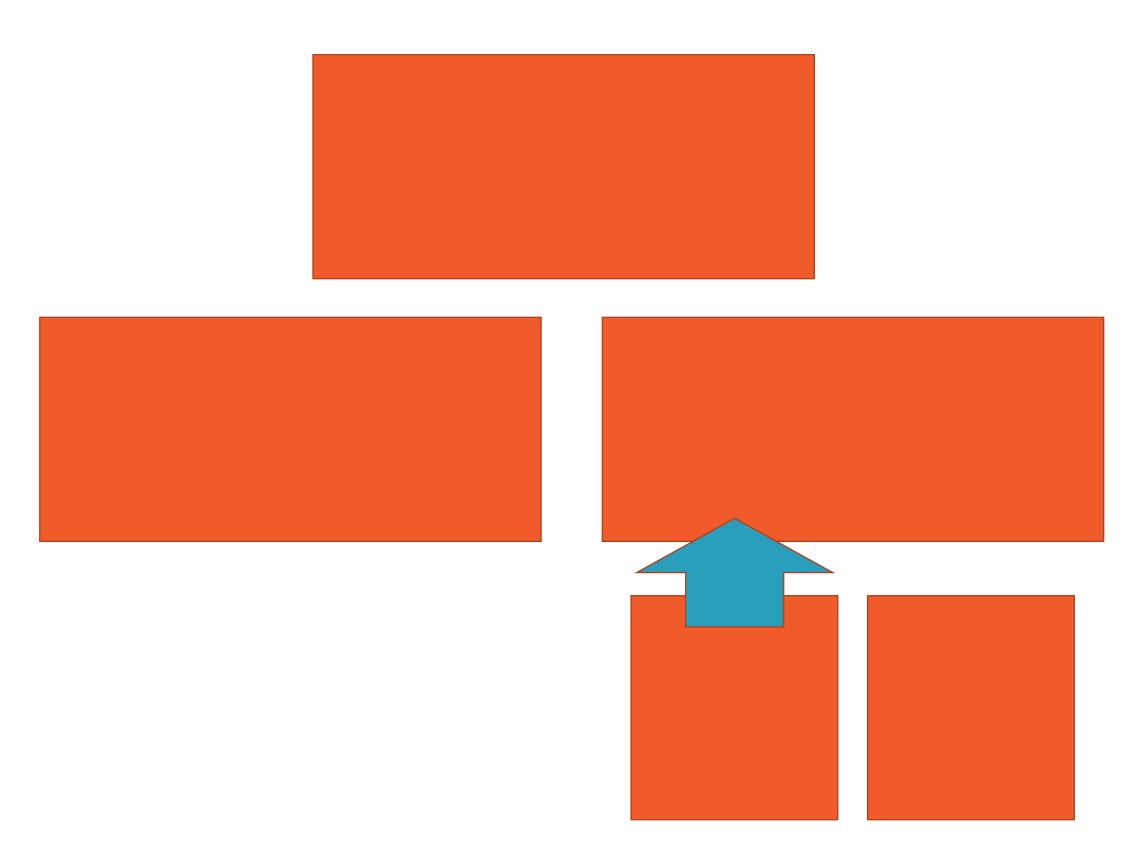
What Where How



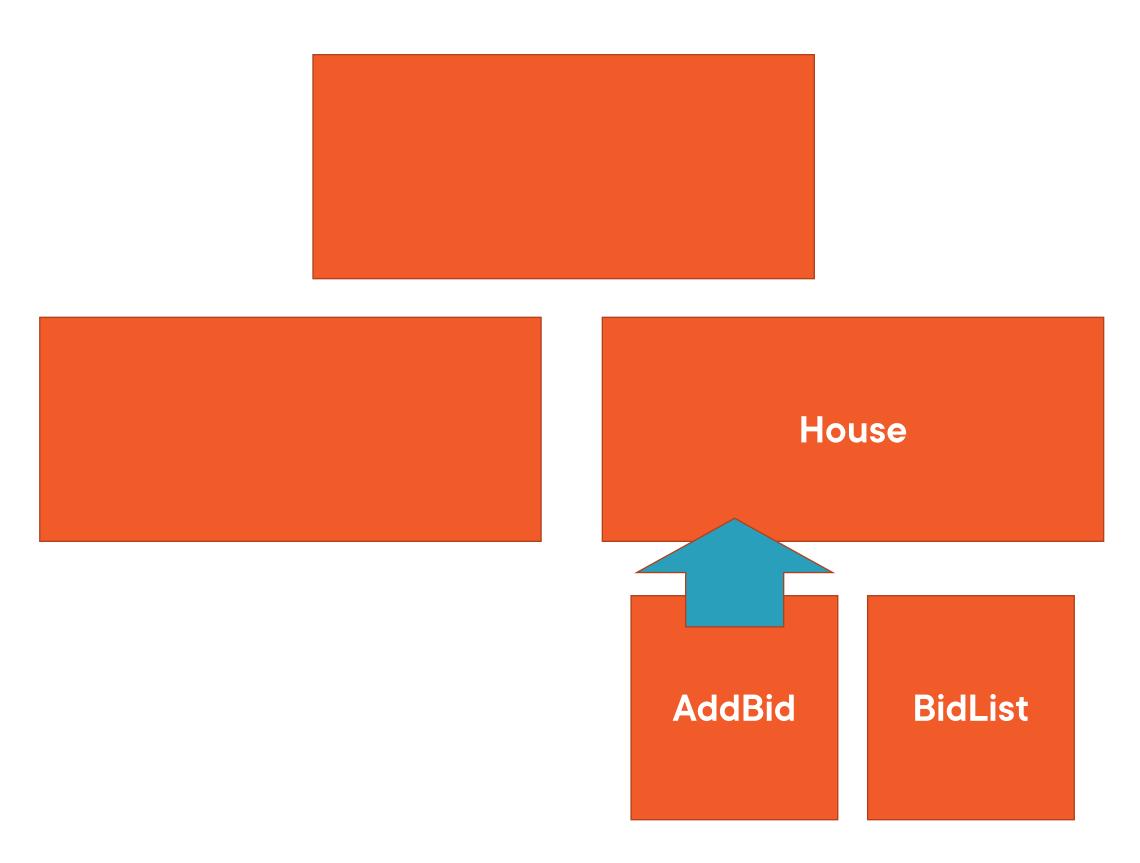
React's Data Flow



Inversing Data Flow



Inversing Data Flow



Implementing Design Changes

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Where to Go Next **Practice fundamentals first**

Create an application by yourself

Design first

Advanced courses



Related Topics

TypeScript

Redux

React Query



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