



Introduction to Declarative DOM Manipulation

Using Vue.js



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Agenda

Introduction to Declarative DOM Manipulation

1. Defining Declarative
2. Vue.js
3. Backend Integration
4. Workshop



Introduction to Declarative DOM Manipulation

Defining Declarative





*A programming paradigm that
expresses the logic of a computation
without describing its control flow.*

Defining Declarative

- **Declarative** code describes what we want.
- *“I want a strawberry milkshake.”*
- **Imperative** code describes how to do things.
- *“Blend frozen strawberries and milk.
Add ice cream and blend.
Pour into a glass and serve.”*



Declarative programming is a luxury made possible by tons of imperative code.

Example

how 2 code

In this video I teach
you how to code.
Please like and
subscribe.

Download



User clicks button

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Imperative

- Manually describe the actions to perform.

```
<button
  id="download-button"
  onClick="startDownload()"
>
  Download
</button>
```

```
const startDownload = async () => {
  // Find the button element
  const button =
    document.querySelector('#download-button');

  // Disable the button
  button.setAttribute('disabled', '');

  // Download something
  await downloadSomeFile();

  // Enable the button
  button.removeAttribute('disabled');
}
```

Declarative (Vue.js)

- Describe the desired behavior.

Reactive



```
<button
  :disabled="isLoading"
  @click="startDownload"
>
  Download
</button>
```



```
const isLoading = ref(false);

const startDownload = async () => {
  isLoading.value = true;

  await downloadSomeFile();

  isLoading.value = false;
}
```



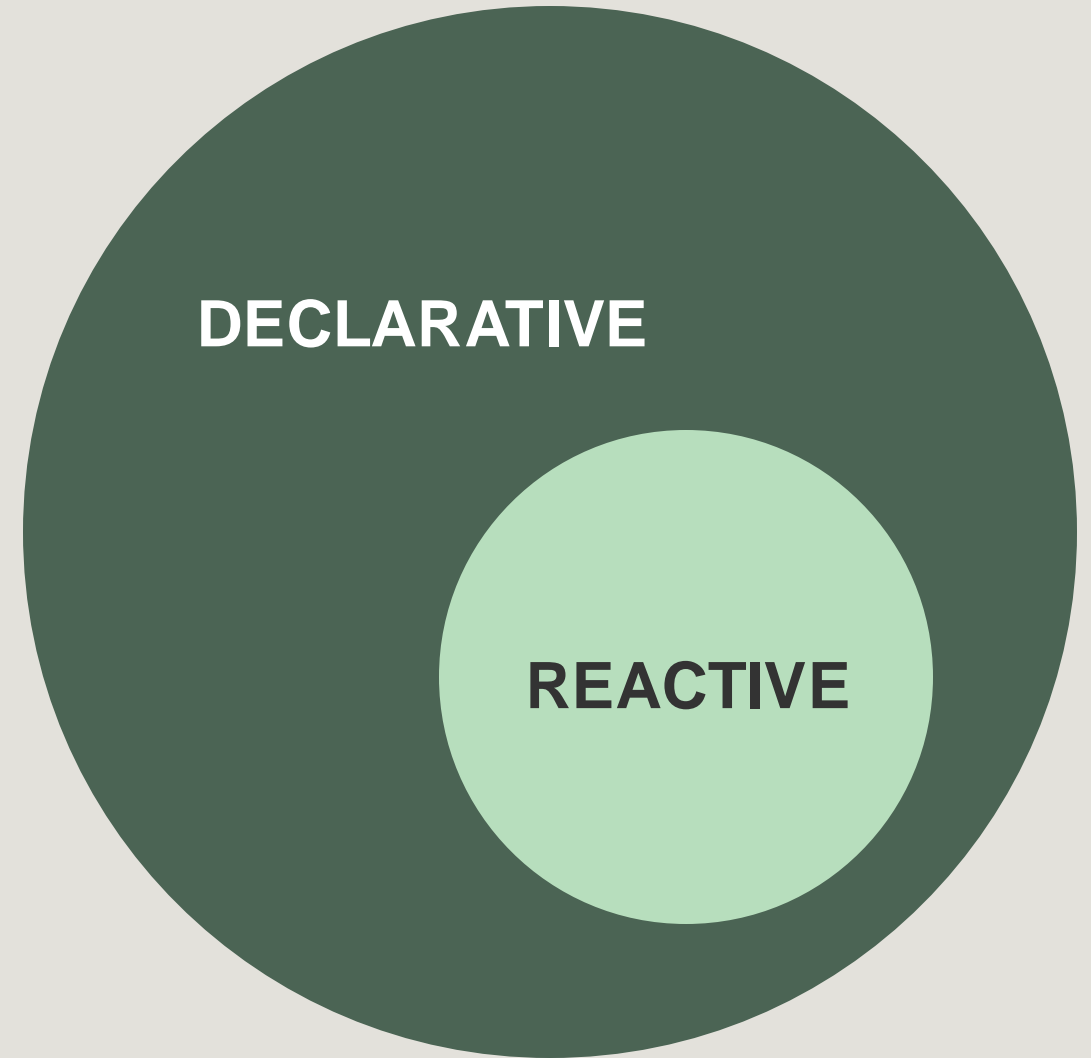
Reactive Programming

*The **declarative** expression of the relationship between values that change over time.*

$$a = b + c$$

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// Vanilla JS
let b = 1;
let c = 2;

const a = b + c;

console.log(a); // Output: 3

b = 10;

console.log(a); // Output: 3
```

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console.log(a); // Output: 12
```



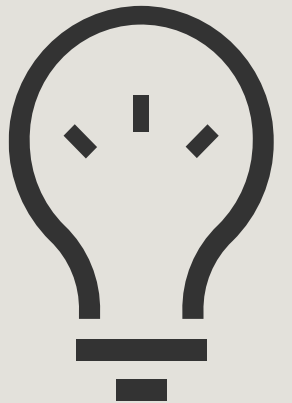
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Using Vue.js



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Vue.js



Vue.js

- JavaScript web UI framework.
- Build reactive applications.



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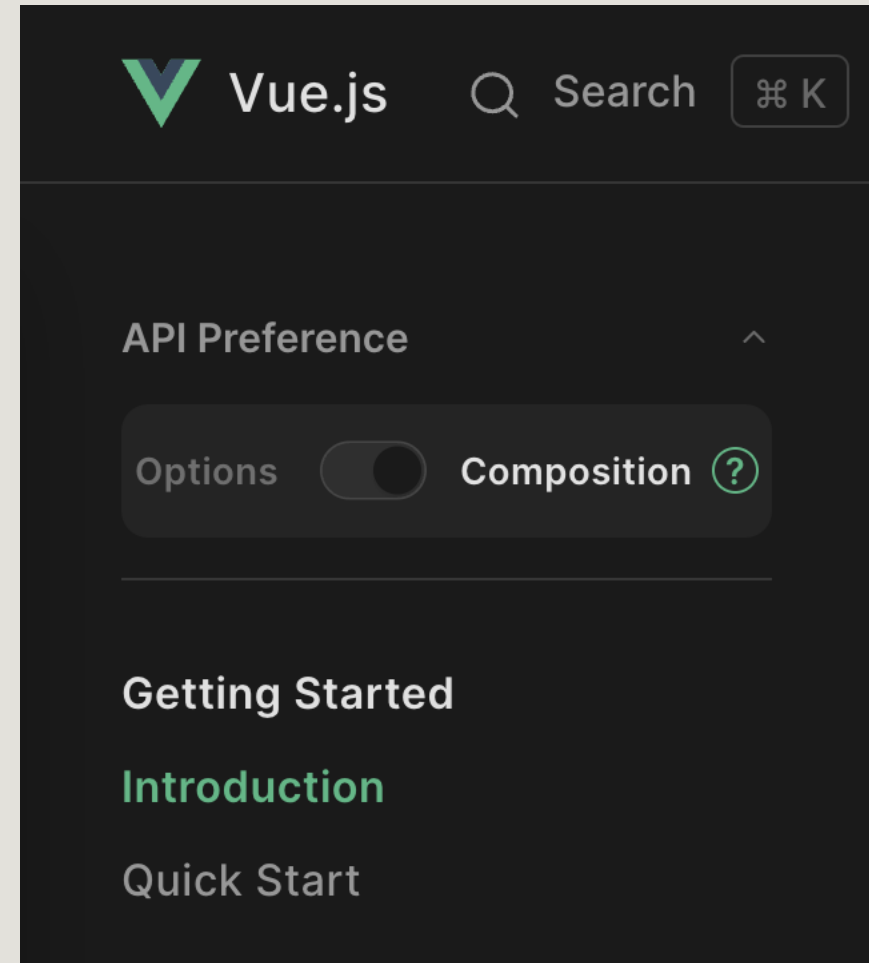


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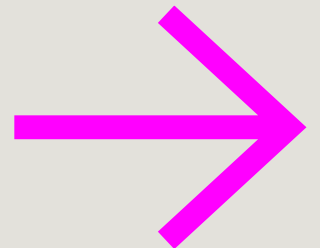
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Composition API



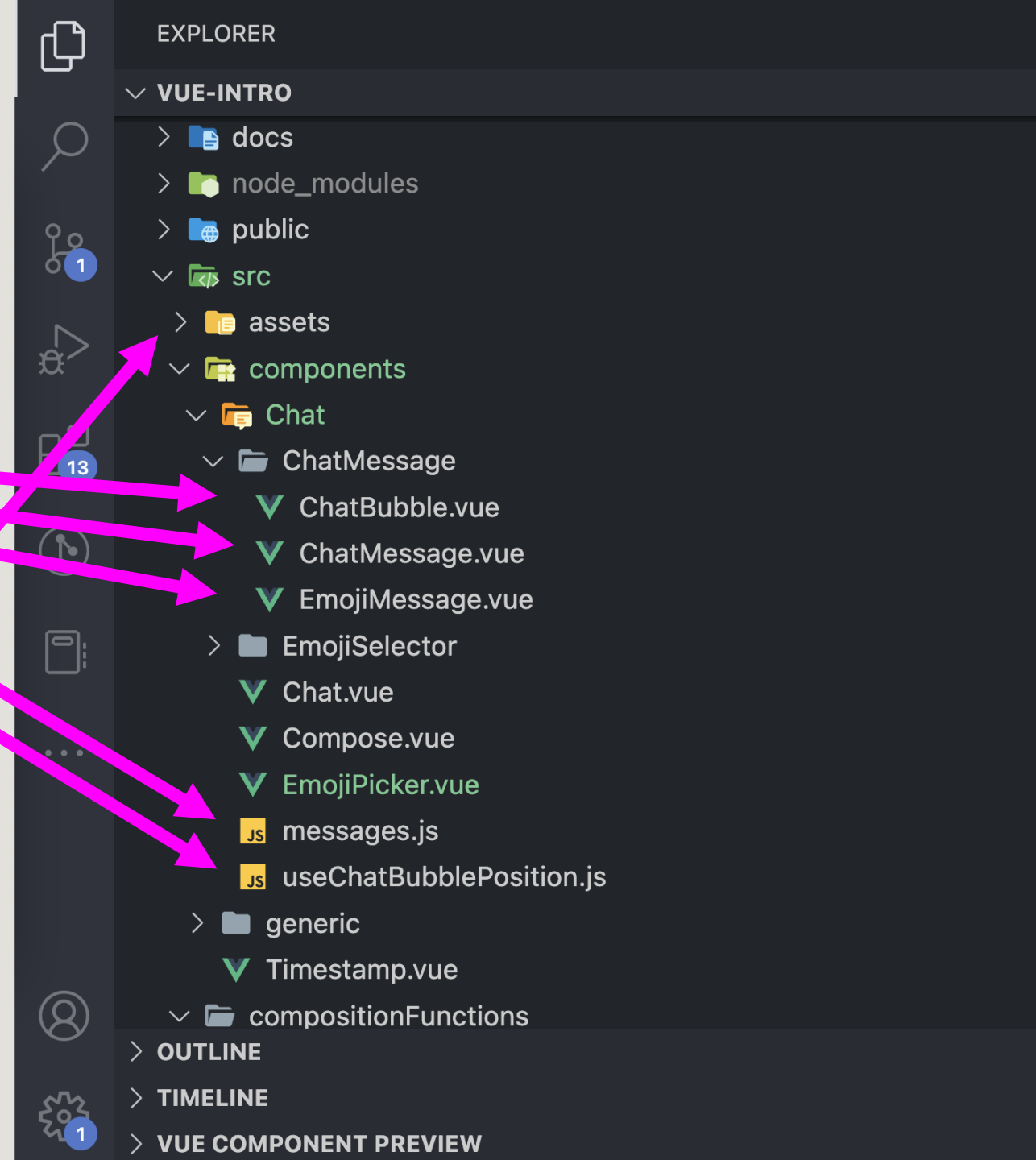
Vue Crash Course

1. Project structure
2. Components
3. Component communication
4. Directives
5. Reactivity tools



1. Vue Project Structure

- Hierarchy of **.vue** files
 - Single-file components
- Functions (helpers, utilities, etc.)
- Assets, project configuration files, etc.



2. Components

- A single **.vue** file
- Contains:
 - Script (JavaScript)
 - Template (HTML)
 - Style (CSS)

SCRIPT

TEMPLATE

STYLE

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1 ✓ <script setup>
2   // A chat bubble container
3   import useChatBubblePosition from "../useChatBubblePosition";
4
5 ✓ const props = defineProps({
6 ✓   direction: {
7     type: String,
8     default: "right",
9   },
10  });
11
12  // Import CSS variables from a 'hook'
13  const { cssVars } = useChatBubblePosition(props.direction);
14 </script>
```

```
16 ✓ <template>
17 ✓   <div class="chat-bubble shadow-1" :style="cssVars">
18     0 references
19     <slot />
20   </div>
21 </template>
```

```
22 ✓ <style scoped lang="scss">
23   1 reference
24   ✓ .chat-bubble {
25     background-color: ■ #fbfaf8;
26     color: □ #281822;
27     border-radius: 10px;
28     padding: 0.5rem 1rem;
29     display: inline-block;
30     position: relative;
31     align-self: var(--align);
32     margin: var(--margin);
33   }
```

2. Components

// ChatMessage.vue

```
<template>
  <ChatBubble :direction="direction">
    {{ message.content }}
  </ChatBubble>
</template>
```

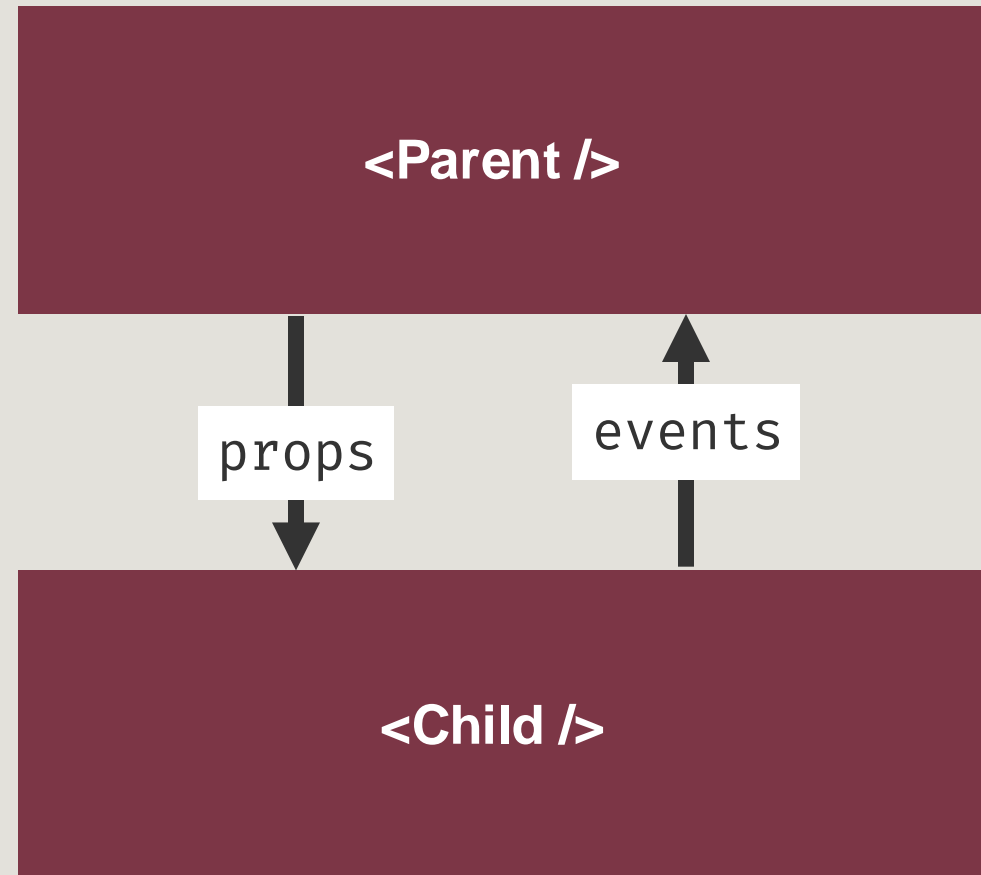
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ChatBubble.vue

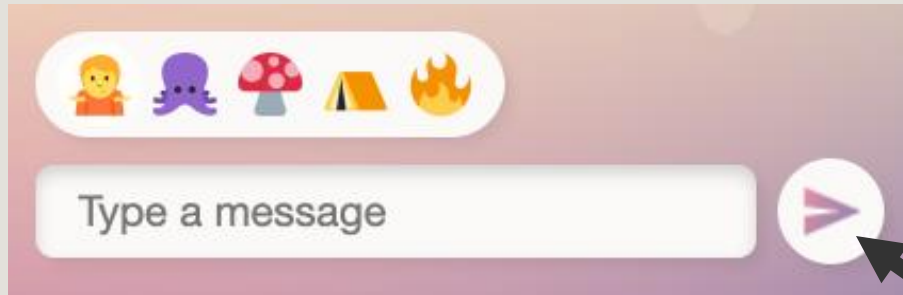
3. Component Communication

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Compose.vue

```
<Button icon="send" @click="send" />
```

props

events

Button.vue

```
const props = defineProps({  
  icon: {  
    type: String,  
    default: null,  
  },  
});  
  
const emit = defineEmits(["click"]);  
emit("click", someParameter);
```

4. Directives

- Built-in reusable code or logic.
- Allow developers to manipulate the DOM in many ways.
- E.g. conditional rendering and looping.
- [See the docs!](#)



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API

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Directives

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v-if

v-else

v-else-if

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v-model

v-slot

v-pre

v-once

v-memo

v-cloak

Components

<Transition>

<TransitionGroup>

<KeepAlive>

<Teleport>

<Suspense>

Special Elements

<component>

<slot>

<template>

/ 4. Directives

v-if

- Conditionally render an element.
- See also: *v-else* and *v-else-if*.

```
<marquee v-if="year < 2010">  
  Hello from Myspace  
</marquee>
```

/ 4. Directives

v-for

- Loop through a list.
- Render each element.

```
<Game  
  v-for="game in games"  
  :title="game.name"  
  :description="game.description"  
>
```



/ 4. Directives

v-bind

- Binds a variable to a prop or DOM attribute.
- The "value" will be the variable's value, not the literal text entered.
- `v-bind:title` can be shortened to `:title`.

```
<Timestamp v-bind:date="props.message.timestamp" />
```

```
<Timestamp :date="props.message.timestamp" />
```

The time is 14:22

~~The time is props.message.timestamp~~

/ 4. Directives

v-model

- Binds a variable to a prop or DOM attribute.
- Also adds a **handler** to change that value.
- Works automatically on most elements!

```
<Input v-model="value" />
```

```
// The above is short for
```

```
<Input
```

```
  :value="value"
```

```
  @input="
```

```
    [/*function that updates the value*/]
```

```
"
```

```
>
```

/ 4. Directives

v-on

- Event handler.
- *“When an event with this name is emitted, do this.”*
- `v-on:click` can be shortened to `@click`

```
<Button v-on:click="send" />
```

```
<Button @click="send" />
```



```
function send() { ... }
```

5. Reactivity Tools

- Make your app reactive.
- [See the docs!](#)



```
ref()
```

```
computed()
```

```
watch(), watchEffect()
```

```
provide(), inject()
```

ref()

- Declare a reactive variable.
- Use `ref()` for a reactive object.

```
// script
const age = ref(0);

function growOlder() {
  age.value = age.value + 1;
}

// template
<p>
  I am {{ age.value }} years old.
</p>
```

computed()

- Store a reactive computed value.

```
const area = computed(() =>
  width * height
);
```


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watch(), watchEffect()

- Watch one or more variables.
- Do something when their values change.

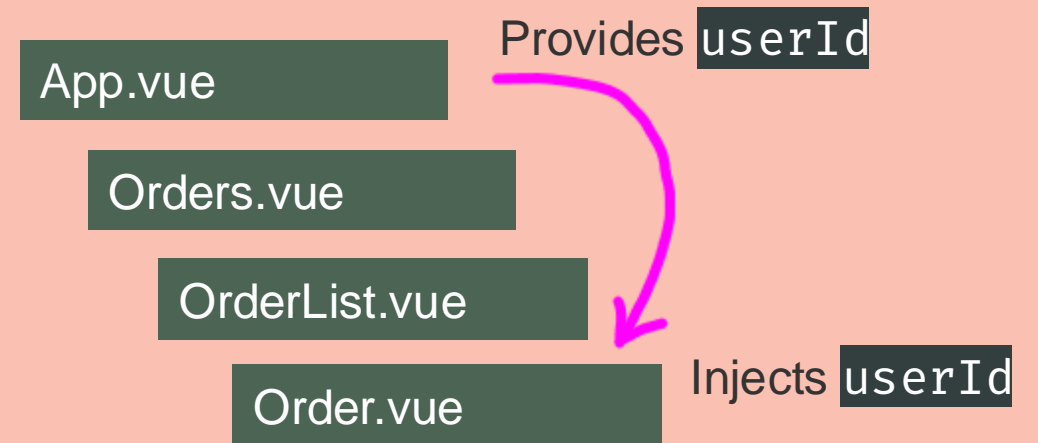
```
// Watch the query variable
watch(query, () => {
  fetch(`/items?search=${query}`)
});

// Automatically watch all reactive
// variables
watchEffect(() => {
  fetch(`/items?search=${query}`)
});
```

/ 5. Reactivity Tools

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```
// Somewhere high up in the  
// component tree  
const allTheData = { ... };  
provide('data', allTheData);  
  
// Some small component way down  
// in the component tree,  
// in a totally different file  
const allTheData = inject('data');
```

Slots

- Display content inside a component.
- Slots can be named.



```
// MyContainer.vue
<div>
  <slot />

  <p>Check out these links!</p>

  <slot name="links" />
</div>

// App.vue
<MyContainer>
  <p>Contact us via pigeon!</p>

  <template #links>
    <a href="#">Rent a pigeon</a>
    <a href="#">Buy an organic pigeon</a>
  </template>
</MyContainer>
```

Recap

1. Project structure
2. Components
3. Component communication
4. Directives
5. Reactivity tools

```
// Directives
v-if
v-for
v-bind
v-model
v-on

// Reactivity tools
ref()
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// See the Vue docs!
```



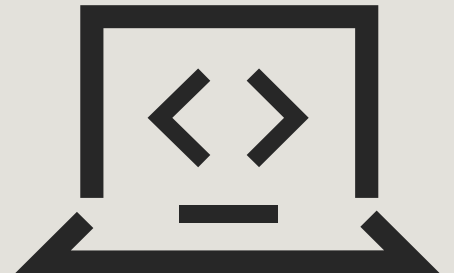
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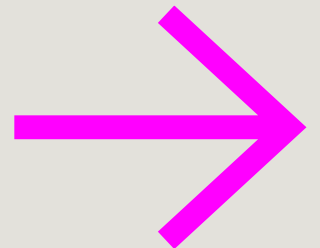
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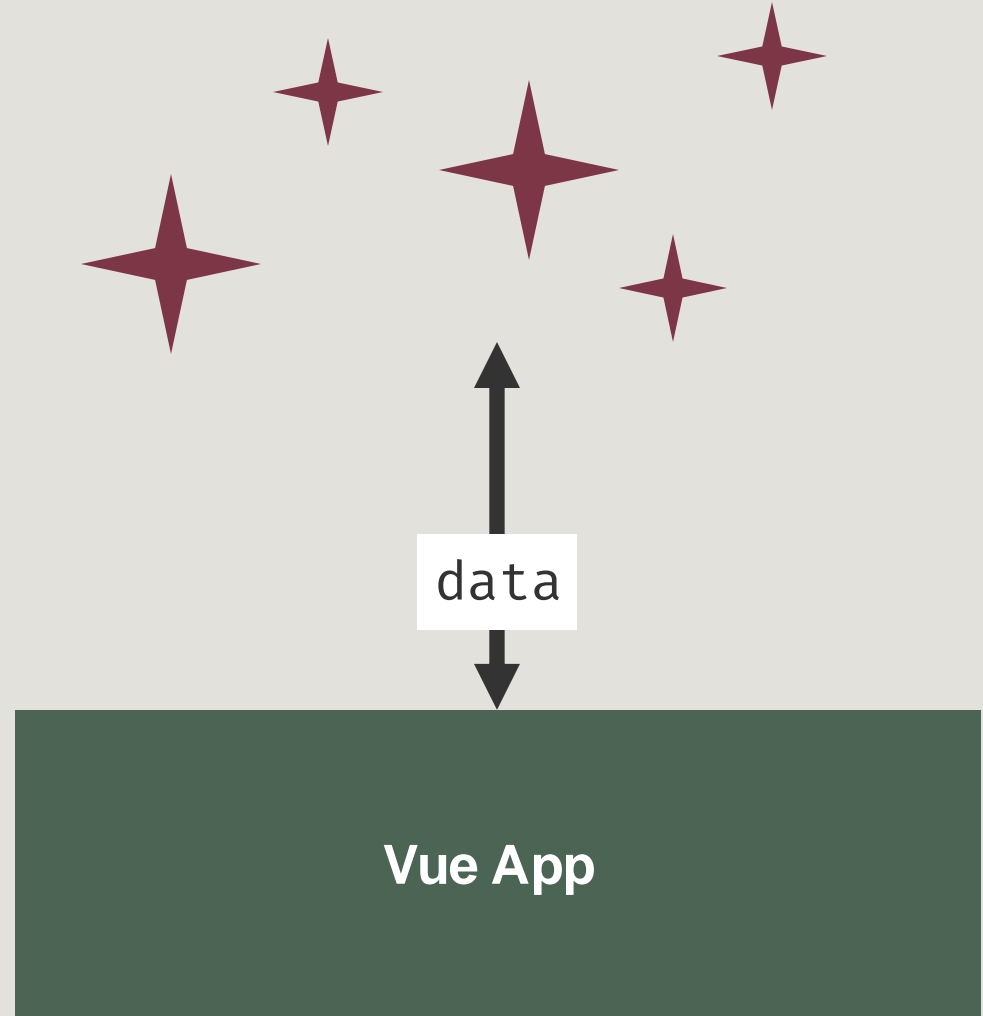
Backend Integration

1. Where data comes from
2. Fetching data from a REST API
3. Sending data to a REST API



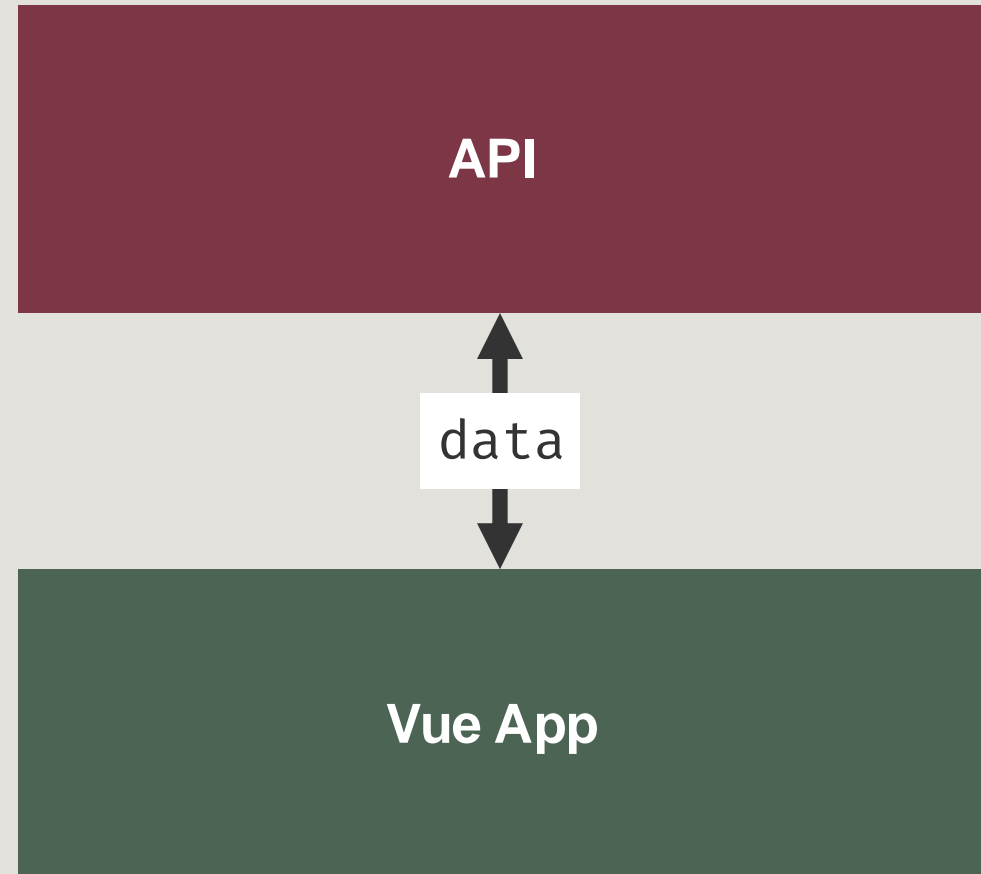
1. Where data comes from

- **Scenario:** An app wants data

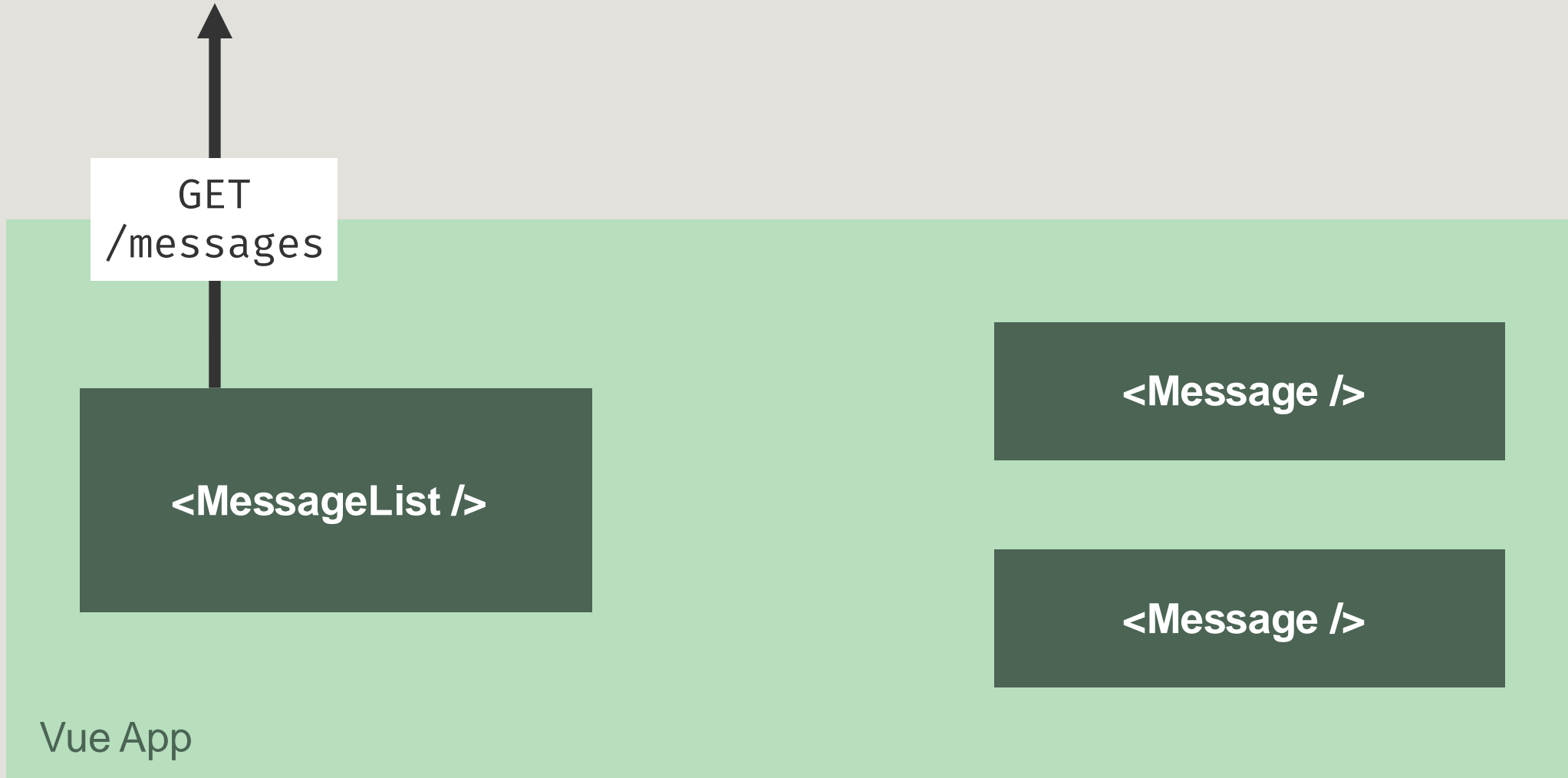


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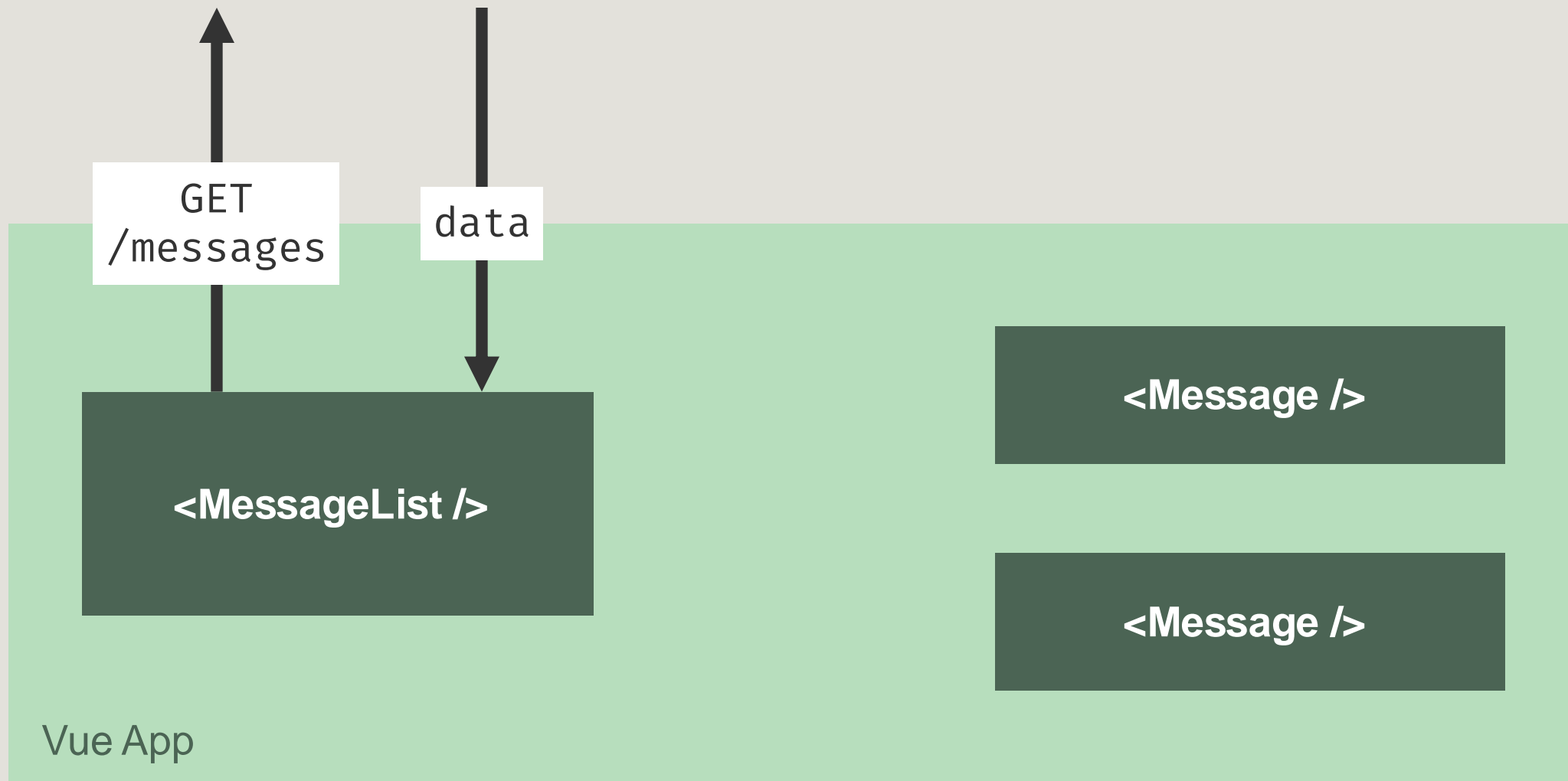
- Usually through an API
 - / REST
 - / GraphQL
 - / WebSocket
 - / etc.



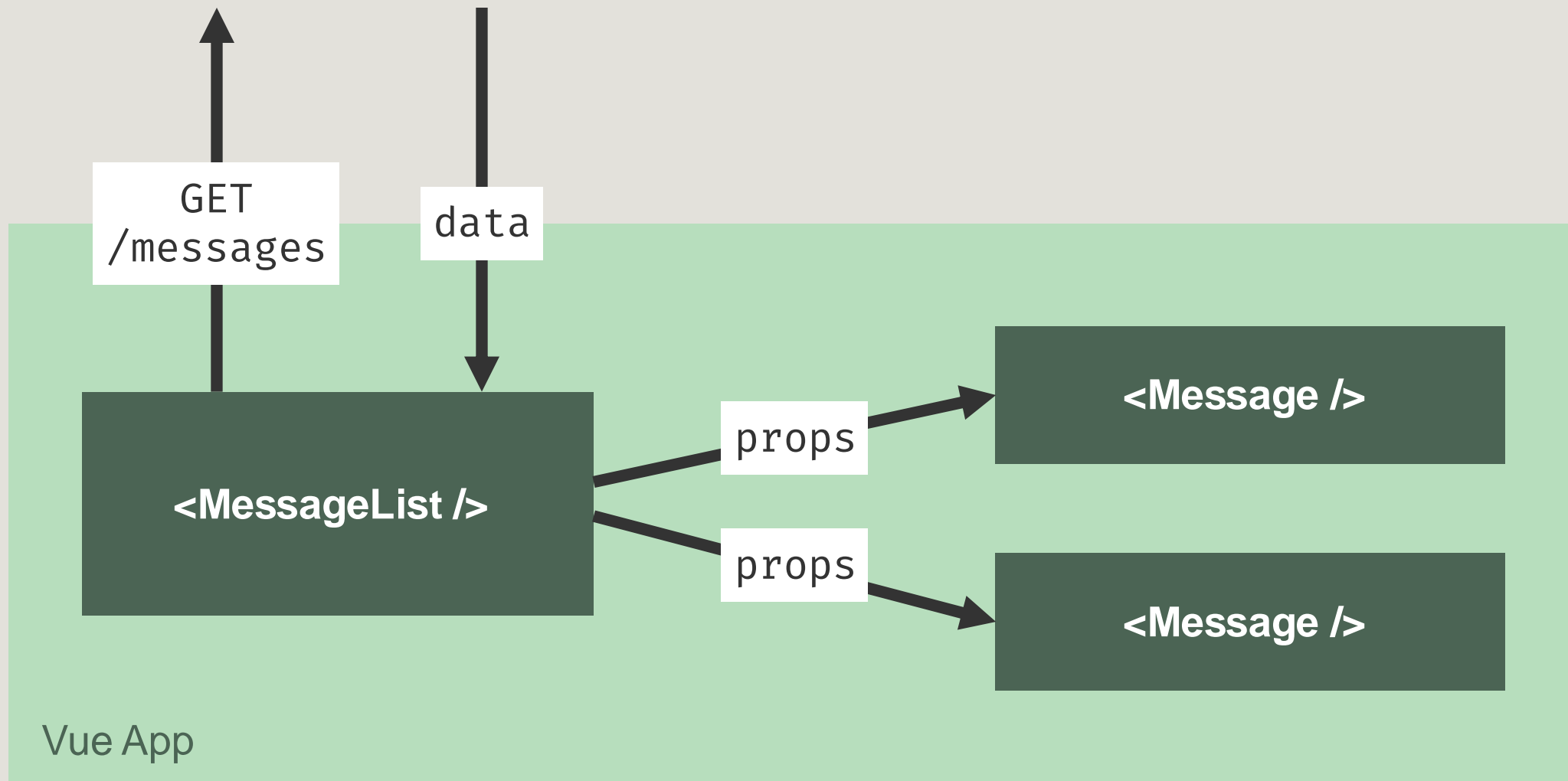
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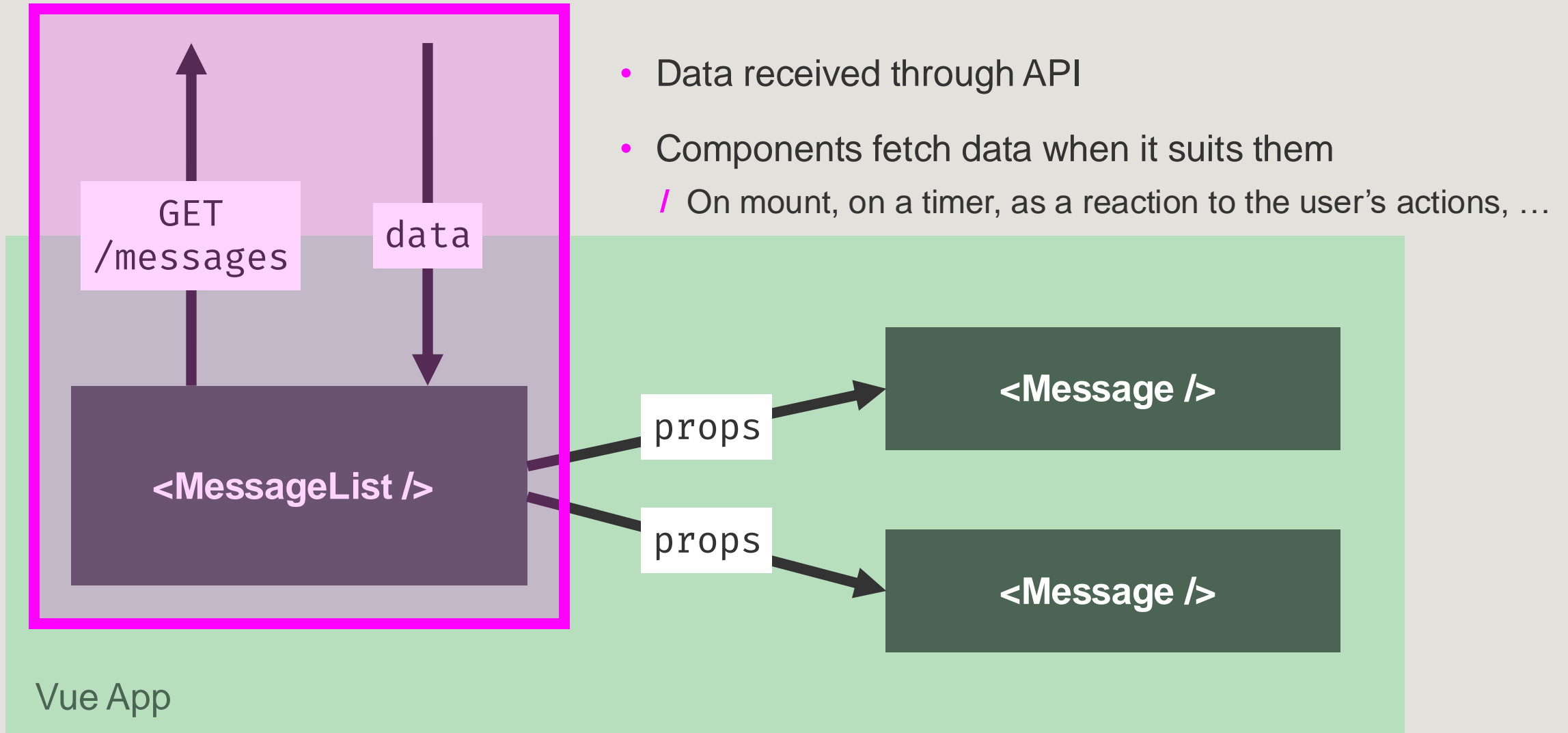
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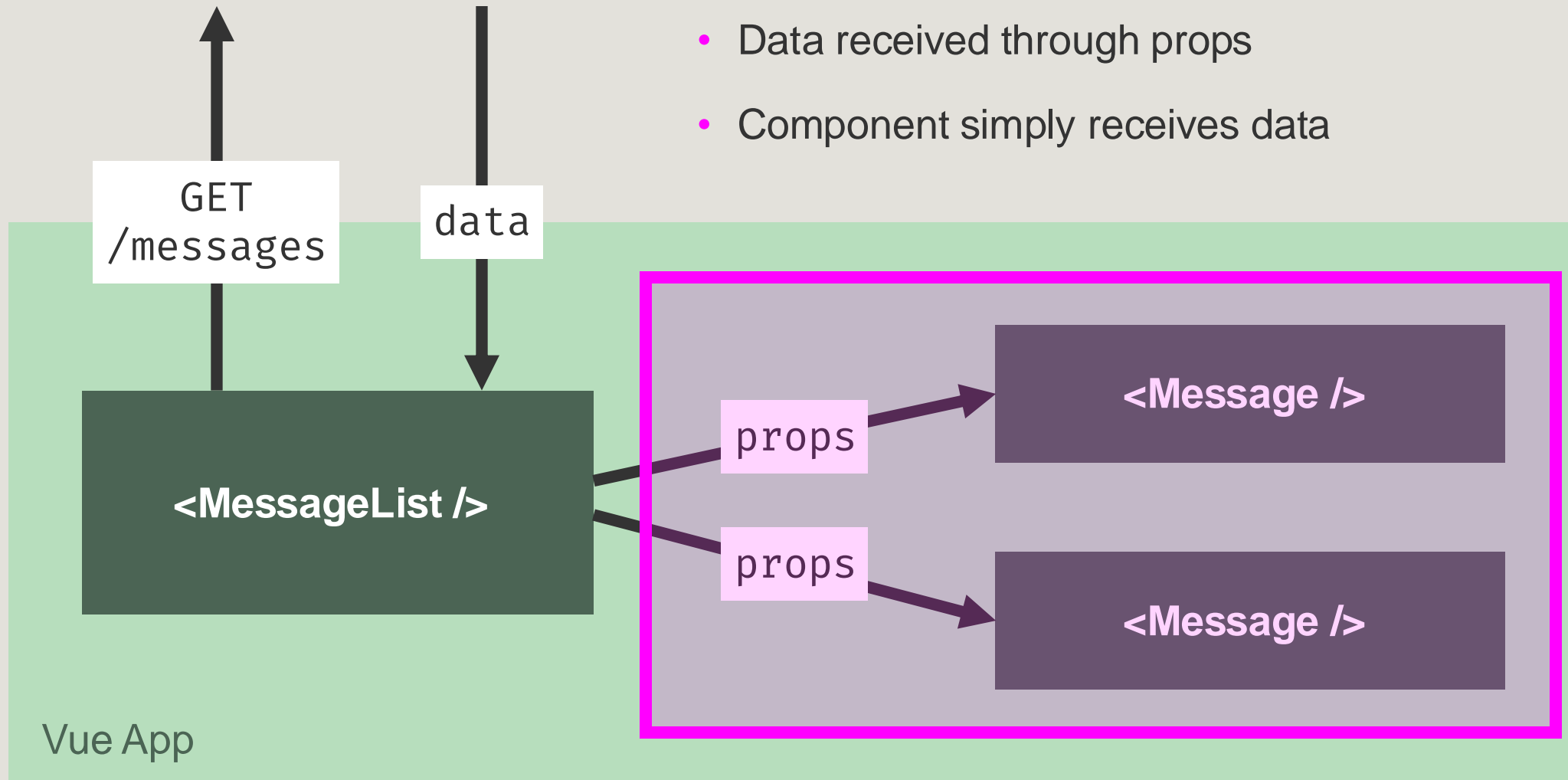


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- Data received through props
- Component simply receives data



2. Fetching Data From a REST API

1. Construct an HTTP request
2. Send the request
3. Handle the response

Construct an HTTP Request

- Endpoint URI
- HTTP method
 - / GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, ...
- Headers
 - / Authorization, Content-Type, ...
- Data
 - / Query parameters, body, ...

Endpoint URI	my-app.com/messages
HTTP method	GET
Headers	Authorization: "Bearer MY_ACCESS_TOKEN"
Data	Query parameters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Page: 1• Limit: 10

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fetch('https://my-app.com/messages?page=1&limit=10', {  
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Send the Request

- Use an HTTP client library
 - / Fetch
 - / Axios
 - / ...

```
fetch('https://my-app.com/messages?page=1&limit=10', {  
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  headers: {  
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  },  
})
```

/ 2. Fetching Data From a REST API

Handle the Response

- Wait for the request to complete

```
/**
 * Gets a list of messages from the API
 */
const getMessagesFromApi = async () => {
  // Send the request
  const response = await fetch('https://my-
app.com/messages?page=1&limit=10', {
    method: 'GET',
    headers: {
      Authorization: 'Bearer MY_ACCESS_TOKEN',
    },
  });

  // Check if the response is OK
  if (!response.ok) {
    throw new Error(`HTTP error! Status:
${response.status}`);
  }

  // Parse the JSON response
  const data = await response.json();
  const messages = data.messages;

  // Return the messages or log them
  return messages;
};
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Handle the Response

- Vue example

<MessageList />

```
<script setup>
import { ref, onMounted } from 'vue';

// Messages in the client are stored in this variable
const messages = ref([]);

/**
 * Gets a list of messages from the API
 */
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page=1&limit=10', {
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  });

  // Parse the JSON response
  const data = await response.json();
  messages.value = data.messages;
};

onMounted(() => {
  // When the component mounts i.e., is first displayed, do this:
  getMessagesFromApi();
});
</script>
```

3. Sending Data to a REST API

- **Scenario:** The user wants to send a message to a chat.
 - / They type a message and hit “send”.

Hello, is anyone there?

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/ 3. Sending Data to a REST API

Construct an HTTP Request

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HTTP method	POST
Headers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Content-Type- Authorization
Data	<div>Body</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Content- Recipient

```
<script setup>
import { ref } from 'vue';

// Stores the text field's value
const messageContent = ref('');
// Stores the API response message
const responseMessage = ref('');

/**
 * Sends the user's message to the API
 */
const sendMessage = async () => {
  // Create a payload
  const payload = {
    content: messageContent.value,
    recipient: 'Myy the Cat',
  };

  // Send the request
  const response = await fetch('https://my-app.com/messages', {
    method: 'POST',
    headers: {
      'Content-Type': 'application/json',
      Authorization: 'Bearer MY_ACCESS_TOKEN',
    },
    body: JSON.stringify(payload),
  });

  // Handle the response
  const data = await response.json();
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Construct an HTTP Request

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HTTP method	POST
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Data	<div>Body<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Content- Recipient</div>

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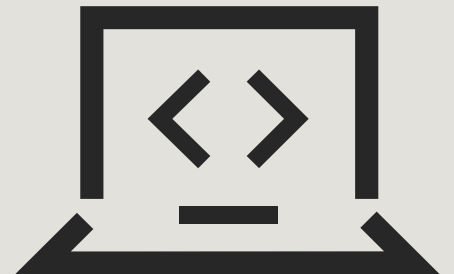
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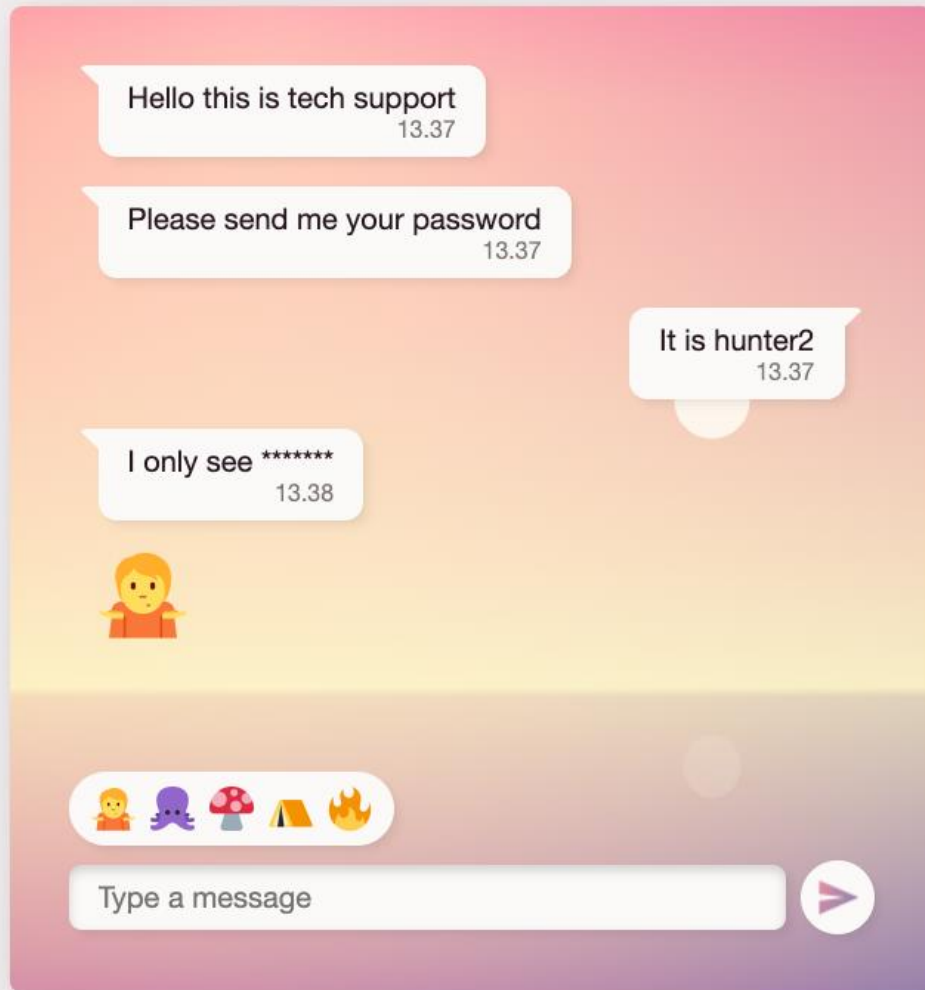


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Workshop



Finish a chat app



1. Get the code from GitHub:
 - <https://shorturl.at/hoyBM>
2. Read the README for instructions.
3. Get coding!
4. Help a friend and ask questions.



github.com/knowit-finland-javascript-guild/vue-for-react-developers

Thanks