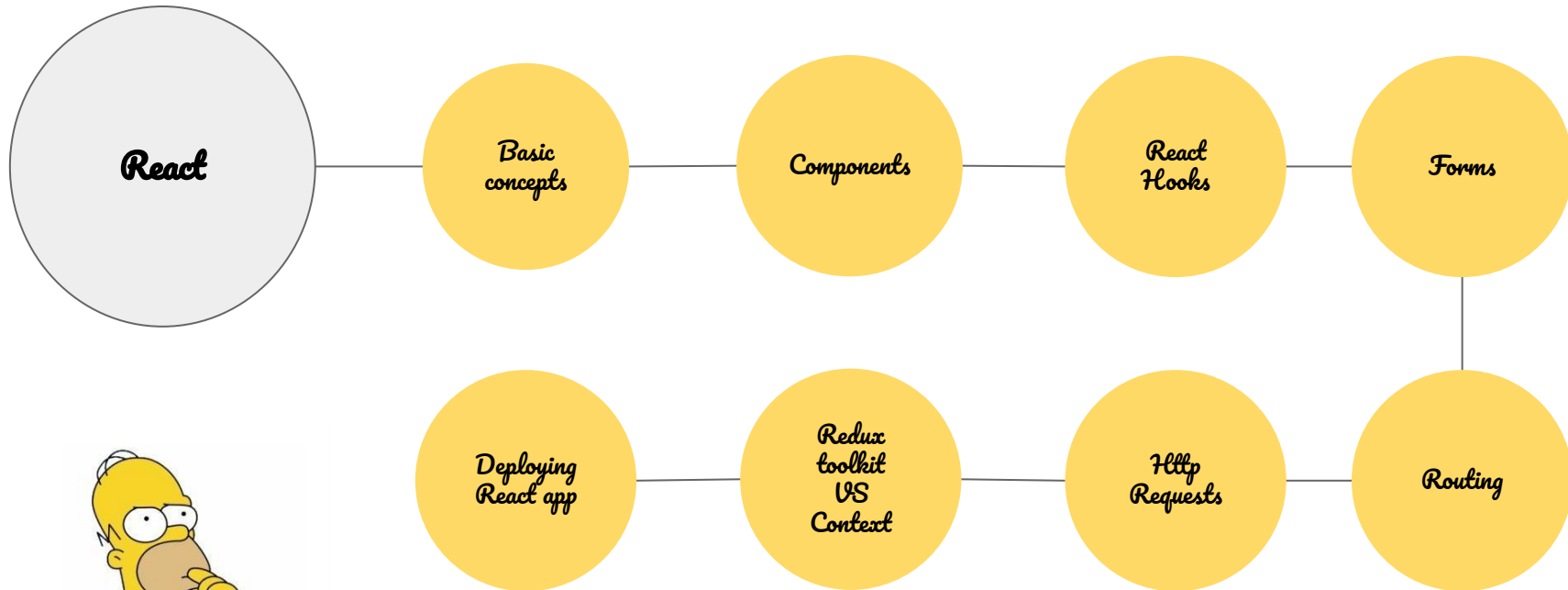


React.js

Lecture 1

Course Roadmap



Agenda

- Introduction about React
- Single page application
- Virtual Dom
- Environment setup.
- React app structure.
- Building Reusable components.
- What is JSX ?
- Handling events



React

React is a JavaScript library for building user interfaces , developed at Facebook and released to the world in 2013.

Current stable version : 18.2.0

React ...

React is a JavaScript library for rendering user interfaces (UI). UI is built from small units like buttons, text, and images. React lets you combine them into reusable, nestable components. From web sites to phone apps, everything on the screen can be broken down into components.

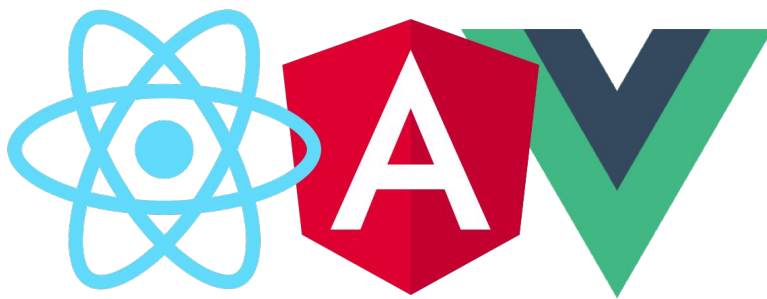
Why React ?

- Easy creation of dynamic applications.
- Improved performance using Virtual DOM.
- Reusable components
- Easy to learn.
- Dedicated tools for easy debugging.

React Alternates

Stack overflow Survey :

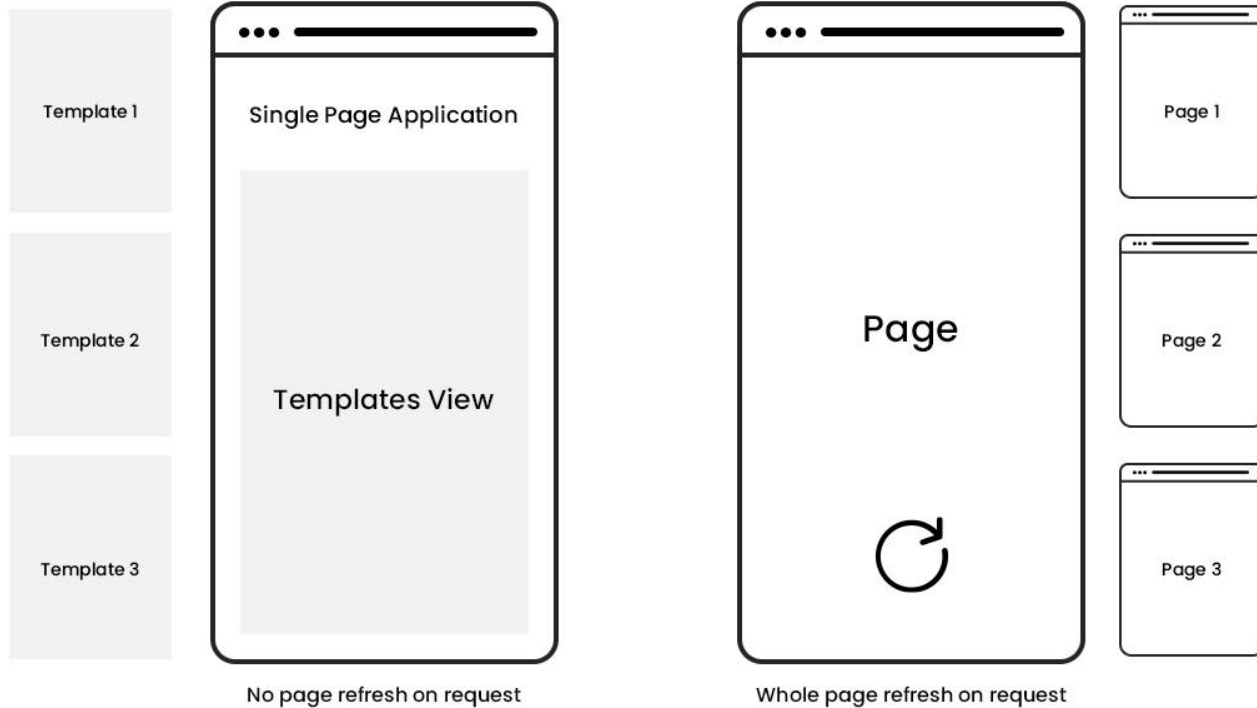
<https://survey.stackoverflow.co/2022/#most-popular-technologies-web-frame>

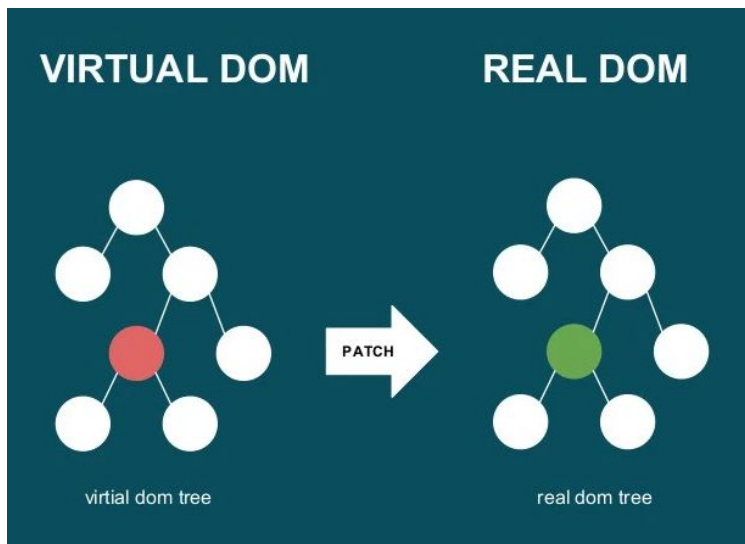


Single page application

- An SPA (Single-page application) is a web app implementation that loads only a single web document, and then updates the body content of that single document via JavaScript code.
- This therefore allows users to use websites without loading whole new pages from the server, which can result in performance gains and a more dynamic experience

Single Page Application





Virtual DOM

The virtual DOM is only a virtual representation of the DOM

- When new elements are added to the UI, a virtual DOM, which is represented as a tree is created.
- Each element is a node on this tree. If the state of any of these elements changes, a new virtual DOM tree is created.
- This tree is then compared with the previous virtual DOM tree, the virtual DOM calculates the best possible method to make these changes to the real DOM. This ensures that there are minimal operations on the real DOM.

<https://adhithiravi.medium.com/react-virtual-dom-explained-in-simple-english-fc2d0b277bc5>

Getting started

- Install node : <https://nodejs.org/en/>
- Open new terminal in your directory.
- Create new react app : `npx create-react-app app-name`
- Enter your app folder.
- Run your react app : `npm start`

<https://www.freecodecamp.org/news/npm-vs-npx-whats-the-difference/>

Let's explore our

React App Structure

Structure

For the project to build, these files must exist with exact filenames:

- `public/index.html` is the page template;
- `src/index.js` is the JavaScript entry point.

You can delete or rename the other files.

What is
Components !

Components

- React applications are built from isolated pieces of UI called components. A React component is a JavaScript function that you can sprinkle with markup. Components can be as small as a button, or as large as an entire page.
- React component is a JavaScript function that you can sprinkle with markup.

Example : https://miro.medium.com/v2/resize:fit:1400/1*NX0GtVytAl8solUMAuUSeQ.png

React components are regular JavaScript functions except:

- Their names always begin with a capital letter.
- They return JSX markup.

What is JSX ..?

- JSX stands for JavaScript XML and allows us to write HTML in React.
- With JSX :

```
const myelement = <h1>I Love JSX!</h1>;
```

```
ReactDOM.render(myelement, document.getElementById('root'));
```

- Without JSX :

```
const myelement = React.createElement('h1', {}, 'I do not use JSX!');
```

```
ReactDOM.render(myelement, document.getElementById('root'));
```

Try : <https://babeljs.io/>

The Rules of JSX

1. Return a single root element

- To return multiple elements from a component, wrap them with a single parent tag.
- If you don't want to add an extra `<div>` to your markup, you can write `<>` and `</>` instead

2. Close all the tags

- JSX requires tags to be explicitly closed: self-closing tags like `` must become ``

3. camelCase all most of the things!

- JSX turns into JavaScript and attributes written in JSX become keys of JavaScript objects. like `class` would be `className`

JSX converter: <https://transform.tools/html-to-jsx>

Handling Events

Handling events with React elements is very similar to handling events on DOM elements.

Example :

```
<button onClick={addUsers}>  
  Add Users  
</button>
```

```
<button onClick={() => addUser()}>  
  Add Users  
</button>
```

Thank you

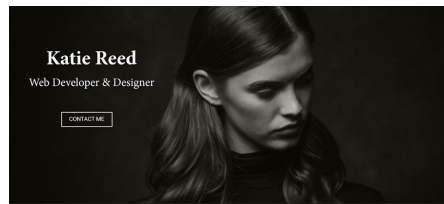
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Task: Portfolio

Create a web page using React that contains the following sections :

- Hero section
- Bio section , button to download CV.
- Skills section [HTML , CSS ...]
- Education Section
- Contacts and social media icon links such as facebook , twitter , linkedin , github (fontawesome - [Bonus]) - could be in the hero section or footer or the side section as UI.

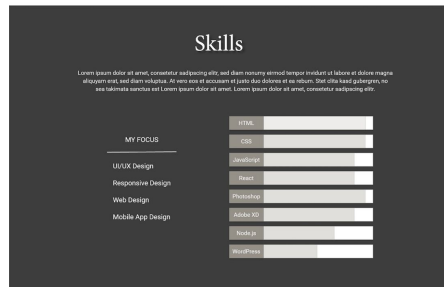
Using Bootstrap as UI library (search for it) and create reusable components for your page.



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