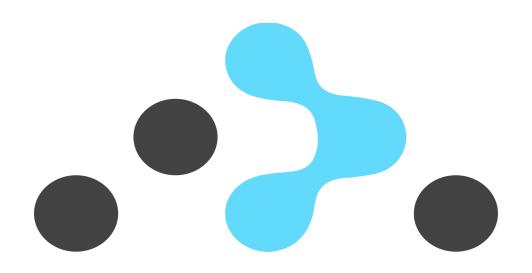
Topics

Routing/Navigation

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Navigation

The React Router library

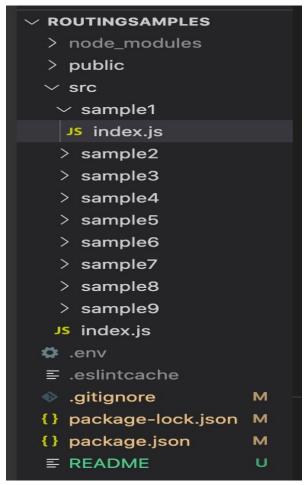
Routing - Introduction

- Allows multiple views in an app.
 - But there's only one page (.html) → Single Page App (SPA)
- Keeps the browser's URL in sync with the UI.
- Adheres to traditional web principles:
 - 1. Addressability.
 - 2. Information sharing.
 - 3. Deep linking.
 - 1st generation client rendering apps violated these principles.
- Not supported by the React framework.
 - A separate library is required: React Router.

Demos

- See lecture archive.
- Each sample demos a routing feature.





Basic routing configuration

	URL	Components
1	1	Home
2	/about	About
3	/inbox	Inbox

- Declarative style.
- <BrowserRouter> matches browser's URL to a <Route> path.
- Matching Route's> element is mounted on the DOM.
 - element can take any arbitrary JSX.
 - Use index for root path case (/).
 - Use * path for 404 case.
 - <Navigate> changes browser's URL address.
- App component termed the Router component.
- Ref. src/sample1

```
const App = () => {
17
       return
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19
         <BrowserRouter>
20
           <Routes>
21
             <Route path="/about" element={<About />} />
             <Route path="/inbox" element={<Inbox />} />
22
23
             <Route index element={<Home />} />
             <Route path="*" element={<Navigate to="/" replace />} />
24
25
           </Routes>
26
         </BrowserRouter>
27
       );
28
```

Hyperlinks

- Use the <Link> component for internal links.
 - Use anchor tag for external links <a href >
- Ref. src/sample2/

```
← → C (i) localhost:3000
∴ About / Inbox
Home page
```

```
const Home = () => {
       return (
8
         <>
9
           ul>
10
             <
               <Link to="/about">About</Link>
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12
             13
14
               <Link to="/inbox">Inbox</Link>
15
16
           <h1>Home page</h1>
18
19
20
```

- <Link> changes browser's URL address (event)
 - → React Router handles event by consulting its routing configuration
 - → Selected Route's elements mounted on DOM → Browser repaints the screen.

Dynamic segments.

- Parameterized URLs, e.g. /users/22, /users/12/purchases
 - How to declare a parameterized path in the routing configuration?
 - How does a component access the parameter value?
- Ex: Suppose the Inbox component shows messages for a specific user, where the user's id is part of the browser URL
 - e.g /inbox/123, where 123 is the user's id.
- Solution: <Route path='/inbox/:userId' element={ <Inbox/> } />
 - The colon (:) prefixes a parameter in the path.
 - Parameter name is arbitrary.
 - Ref src/sample3

Dynamic segments.

```
const Inbox = () \Rightarrow {
        const params = useParams() ___
 6
        console.log(params)
 7
        const { userId } = params
 8
        return
9
          <>
10
            <h2>Inbox page</h2>
            <h3>Messages for user: {userId} </h3>
11
12
          </>
13
        ) :
14
      };
```

- useParams hook (React Router library).
 - Returns an object containing the parameter value.
 - Other useful hooks also provided (see later)
- More than one parameter allowed.
 - e.g. /users/:userId/categories/:categoryName

Nested Routes

- Objective: A component's child is dynamically determined from the browser's URL (Addressability).
- EX.: (See src/sample4) Given the route:

```
<Route path='/inbox/:userId' element={ <Inbox /> } />,
```

use the following rules to determine a nested component hierarchy:

```
/inbox/XYZ/statistics /inbox/XYZ/draft
<Inbox> <Inbox> <Orall Color Colo
```

Nested Routes

- Use RELATIVE path strings in the nested <Route> entries.
- The index <Route> is optional.
 - For the default case.
 - Avoids a 'blank' section on screen.
- Use <Outlet/> as a placeholder in the container component

Extended <Link>

Objective: Supply data to the component mounted by a <Link>.

EX.: See /src/sample5/. (i) localhost:3000 About Inbox Home page <Route path="/inbox/:userId" element={<Inbox />}

```
const userProfile = "profile data values";
32
       return (
33
34
          35
            <
36
              <Link to="/about">About</Link>
37
            38
            <
             <Link
39
40
               to={\'inbox/1234\'}
41
               state={{
                 userProfile: userProfile,
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43
44
45
                Inbox<span> (Link with extra props
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              </Link>
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```

- How does Inbox access the userProfile data included in the hyperlink?
 - A.: The useLocation hook

Extended <Link>

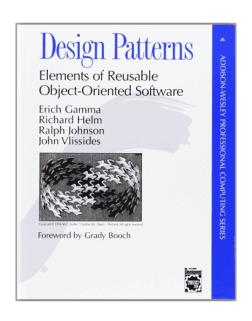
React Router creates a location object each time the URL changes.

```
{pathname: '/inbox/1234', search: '', ha
{...}, key: 'yo0z34bi'} i
hash: ""
key: "yo0z34bi"
pathname: "/inbox/1234"
search: ""
▼state:
userProfile: "profile data values"
▶ [[Prototype]]: Object
▶ [[Prototype]]: Object
```

```
14
     const Inbox = (props) => {
       const {userId} = useParams()
15
16
       const locatio = useLocation();
17
       console.log(locatio);
18
       const {
         state: { userProfile },
19
       } = locatio;
20
21
       return (
22
         <>
           <h2>Inbox page</h2>
23
24
           {`User Id: ${userId}`}
25
           {`User profile: ${userProfile}`}
26
         </>
27
       );
28
```

Routing

More later



Design Patterns

In software engineering, a **design pattern** is a general repeatable solution to a commonly occurring problem in software **design**

Reusability & Separation of Concerns.

- The DRY principle Don't Repeat Yourself.
- Techniques to improve DRY(ness) (increase reusability):
 - 1. Inheritance (is-a relationships, e.g. Car is an automabile)
 - 2. Composition (has-a relationships, e.g. Car has an Engine)
- React favors composition.
- Core React composition Patterns:
 - Container.
 - 2. Render Props.
 - 3. Higher Order Components.

Composition - Children

HTML is composable

 <div> has two children; has three children

```
<div>
    ......
    <img ......./>
    <a href ....../>
<</div>
```

<div> has three children.

The Container pattern.

All React components have a special <u>children</u> prop. It allows a consumer (container) to pass other components to it by nesting them inside the jsx.

- The container determines what Picture renders,
- This <u>de-couples</u> the Picture component from its content and makes it <u>reusable</u>.

Image

Button

Image

List

Picture is composed with other elements / components

Image

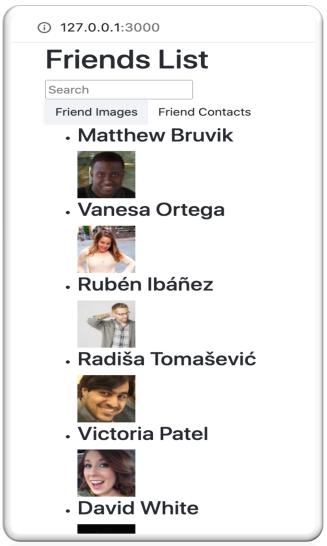
Complex Component

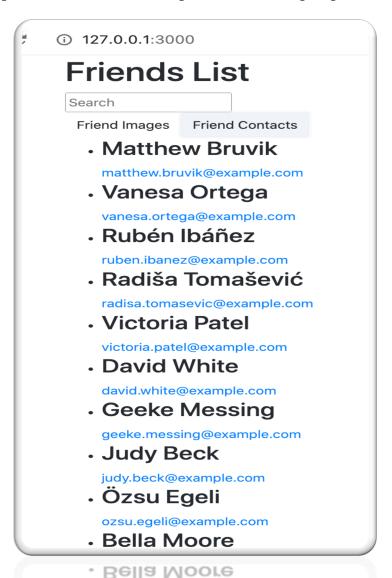
The Render Prop pattern

- Use the pattern to share logic between components.
- Dfn: A render prop is a <u>function prop</u> that a component uses to generate part of its rendered output.

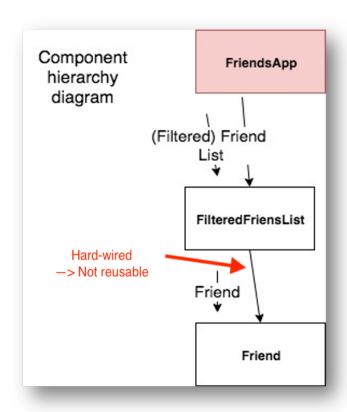
- SharedCoomponent receives its render logic from the consumer, i.e. SayHello.
- Prop name is arbitrary.

The Render Prop - Sample App.





The Render Props - Sample App.



- Updates to design:
- 1. FriendsApp passes a render-prop to FilteredFriendList, indicating how Friends should be rendered.
- 2. Remove static import of Friend component type from FilteredFriendList.

```
<FilteredFriendList
    list={filteredList}
    render={(friend) => <FriendImage friend={friend} />}
/>
```

```
import React from "react";

You, 5 days ago • Initial structure

const FilteredFriendList = props => {

// console.log('Render of FilteredFriendList')

const friends = props.list.map(item => (

props.render(item)

));

return {friends};

};

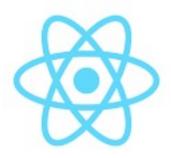
export default FilteredFriendList;

export default FilteredFriendList;
```

```
<FilteredFriendList
  list={filteredList}
  render={(friend) => <FriendContact friend={friend} />}
/>
```

Without this pattern we would need a
 FilteredFriendList
 component for each use
 case, thus violating the
 DRY principle.

The prop name is arbitrary; render is a convention.



Custom Hooks

Custom Hooks.

- Custom Hooks let you extract component logic into reusable functions.
- Improves code readability and modularity.

Example:

```
const BookPage = props => {
  const isbm = props.isbn;

  const [book, setBook] = useState(null);
  useEffect(() => {
    fetch(
      `https://api.for.books?isbn=${isbn}`)
      .then(res => res.json())
      .then(book => {
        setBook(book);
      });
  }, [isbn]);
      ...rest of component code ....
}
```

Objective -

ustom hook.

Custom Hook Example.

Solution:

```
const useBook = isbn => {
  const [book, setBook] = useState(null);
  useEffect(() => {
    fetch(
    `https://api.for.books?isbn=${isbn}`)
    .then(res => res.json())
    .then(book => {
        setBook(book);
    });
  }, [isbn]);
  return [book, setBook];
}:
```

```
const BookPage = props => {
  const isbm = props.isbn;
  const [book, setBook] = useBook(isbn);
  . . . rest of component code . . . .
}
```

- Custom Hook is an ordinary function BUT should only be called from a React component function.
- Prefix hook function name with use to leverage linting support.
- Function can return any collection type (array, object), with any number of entries.