

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:
 - 1. Containers.
 - 2. Render Props.
 - 3. Higher Order Components.

Composition - Children

HTML is composable

<div> has two children;
 has three children

The Container pattern.

All React components have a special <u>children</u> prop so that consumers can pass components directly by nesting them inside the jsx.

- When the Picture component renders, its props.children will display what the consumer places between the opening and closing tags of Picture.
- This <u>de-couples</u> the Picture component from its content and makes it reusable.

Image
Button

Image

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 function prop that a component uses as 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.

Friends List

Search

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Friends List

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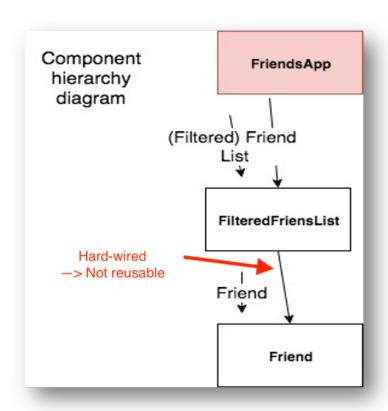
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The Render Props - Sample App.



- Updated Solution:

 FriendsApp passes a
 second prop to
 FilteredFriendList,
 indicating how Friends
 should be rendered.
- New prop is a render prop

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```
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};

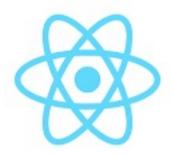
};

export default FilteredFriendList;

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```

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

- FilteredFriendList is no longer statically importing the component for rendering a friend.
- It now receives the component type via the render prop.
- The prop computes the The type of elements in friends array.
- 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 – Extract the book-related state code into a custom 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 can 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.