Getting Started at Hackathons

Track 2: Building a MVP with Firebase and ReactJS



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Prerequisites

- NodeJS (preferably with YarnPKG)
- AN IDE The composition of the
- An Internet Connection



What is Firebase?

Firebase is a mobile and web application development platform developed by Firebase, Inc. in 2011, then acquired by Google in 2014.

Wikipedia

We are going to use Firebase Hosting in this demo



What is ReactJS

ReactJS is a **component-based** that is used to build user-interfaces whether its for websites (Frontend) or hybrid (ElectronJS) applications



Installing Create-React-App

CRA is a zero-configuration generator tool that can get us started up quickly

```
npm install -g create-react-app
```

```
# or if you are using yarn
```

```
yarn add -g create-react-app
```



We will now create our new app.

So after we clone our git repository, we look at using create-react-app into our new directory

create-react-app myapp



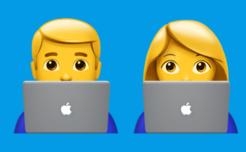
We then go into our new directory and install all the dependencies we need

```
npm install material-ui@next react-router-dom whatwg-fetch --save
# or
yarn add material-ui@next react-router-dom whatwg-fetch
```

- We're using fetch polyfill here as fetch is built in natively into the browser, and it is not available for IE11 or prior
- We're also using the beta version of material-ui v1 (it will go GA Soon)



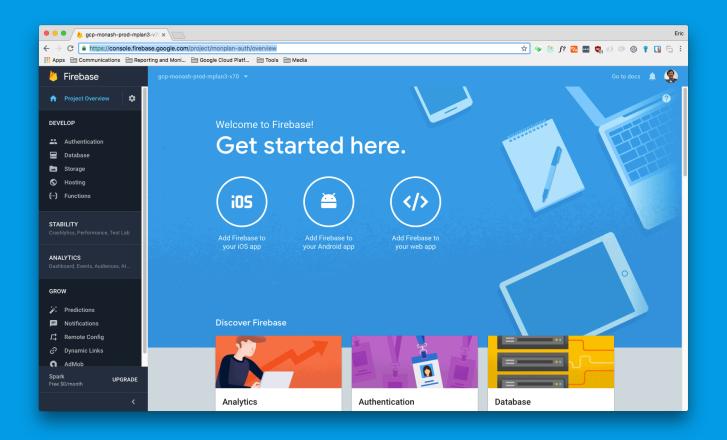
Time for coding!



Let's build an app which users can see and search all the rooms within Monash



Initialise Firebase Project



- 1. Go to console.firebase.google.com/
- 2. Create a new project
- 3. And we're good to go!



Let's build a Room Card First

```
// src/components/RoomCard.js
import React from "react";
import { Card, CardMedia } from "material-ui";
import { CardContent } from "material-ui/Card";
import Typography from "material-ui/Typography";
export default function RoomCard({ roomCode, roomLocation, roomPicture }) {
  return (
   <Card>
      <CardMedia
        image={roomPicture}
       style={{
         height: 200
      <CardContent>
        <Typography variant="subheading">{roomCode}</Typography>
        <Typography variant="title">{roomLocation}</Typography>
     </CardContent>
    </Card>
```



We can easily reference this directly in our main component

```
// src/app.js
import React, { Component } from "react";
import logo from "./logo.svg";
import "./App.css";
import RoomCard from "./components/RoomCard";
class App extends Component {
  render() {
    return (
      <div className="App">
        <header className="App-header">
          <img src={logo} className="App-logo" alt="logo" />
          <h1 className="App-title">Welcome to React</h1>
        </header>
        < Room Card
          roomCode="S11 LECTURE HALL"
          roomLocation="17 Rainforest Walk"
          roomPicture="https://www.monash.edu/__data/assets/image/0009/292365/science-lecture-theatre1.jpg"
        />
      </div>
export default App;
```



Now connect it to Firebase

