

**UECS3294 ADVANCED WEB APPLICATION
DEVELOPMENT
CHAPTER 8 : CLIENT-SIDE SCRIPTING WITH
JAVASCRIPT LIBRARY**

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Client-Side Scripting with Javascript Library

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Client Side and Server Side Technologies



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Front-end and Back-end Development

- 1) Front-end development; practice of converting data and functionalities into a graphical interface.**
 - HTML, CSS, JavaScript
- 2) Back-end development; practice of accessing, manipulating, delivering data and functionalities to a potential user.**
 - PHP, Python, Databases
- 3) Full-stack development; practice of both front-end and back-end.**

Client-Side Scripting Javascript Libraries

1) Bootstrap, Vue.js, Inertia.js, React.js, Angular.js...

2) One Global Objective

- To construct the visuals and design of the app or website in question, in order to therefore generate a certain feeling among its users, so that they want to come back. Certainly not an easy feat.**

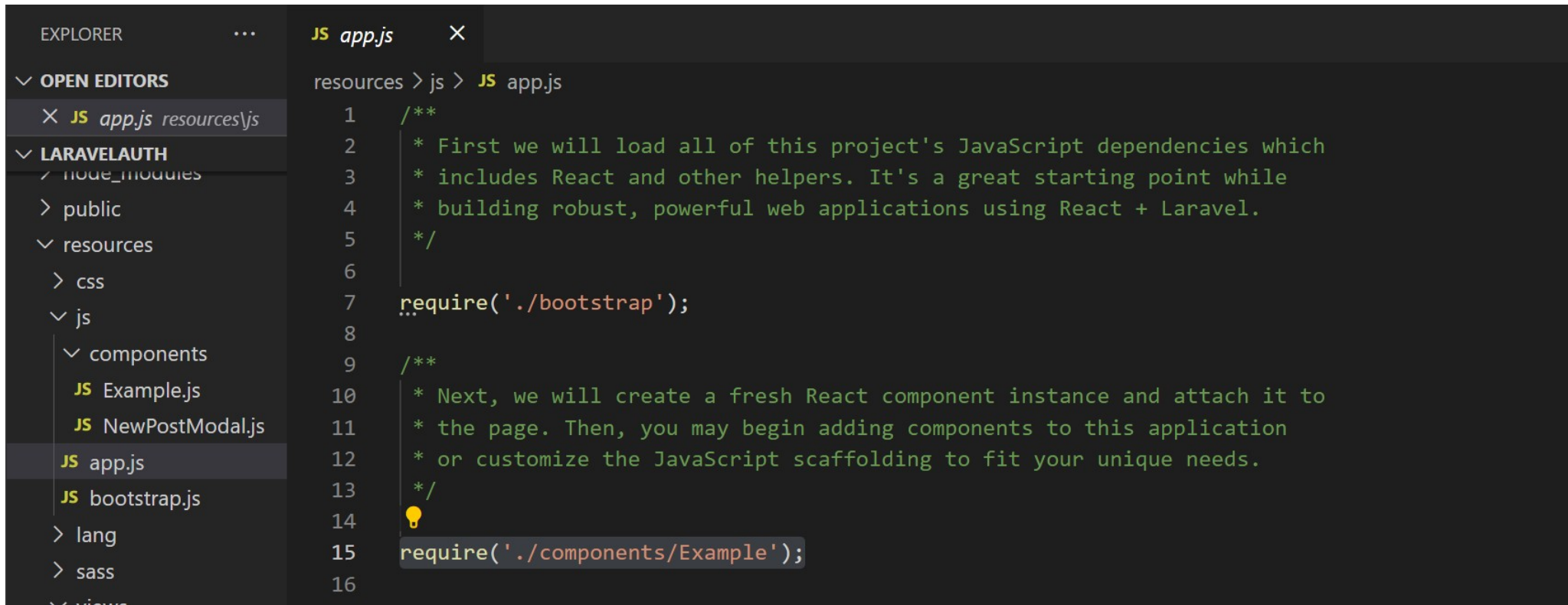
React JS for Client-Side Scripting

- 1) React is a JavaScript library for building user interfaces
- 2) As a pre-requisite to configure integration of React.js in a Laravel web application, dependency of laravel/ui need to be required through composer CLI
- 3) As covered in the previous topic, you can replace the Vue.js scaffolding or even create a new React.js Laravel project with artisan CLI.
- 4) Then NPM need to be installed to manage Javascript packages.

```
composer require laravel/ui  
php artisan ui react  
npm install && npm run dev
```

React JS Compiled Assets

1) In the file `resources/assets/js/app.js`, the Example component is included for any Laravel file that call/implement the component.



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor interface. On the left, the Explorer sidebar is open, showing the project structure. The file `resources/assets/js/app.js` is selected. The main editor area displays the content of `app.js`, which includes comments and code for loading JavaScript dependencies and including the Example component.

```
resources > js > JS app.js
1  /**
2   * First we will load all of this project's JavaScript dependencies which
3   * includes React and other helpers. It's a great starting point while
4   * building robust, powerful web applications using React + Laravel.
5   */
6
7  require('./bootstrap');
8
9  /**
10   * Next, we will create a fresh React component instance and attach it to
11   * the page. Then, you may begin adding components to this application
12   * or customize the JavaScript scaffolding to fit your unique needs.
13   */
14
15  require('./components/Example');
16
```

React JS Component

- 1) Notice that the `./bootstrap` required, bootstraps React and other required helper, then loads a React component named Example.
- 2) In React, build React components.
- 3) Components that are to load automatically when a web page is loaded should be added to the `resources/assets/js/app.js` file.

React JS Component

- 1) React Components are found in resources/js/components folder and identified by documentID.
- 2) Naming convention of a React component; Sentence case.

```
resources > js > components > JS Example.js > Example
```

```
1  import React, { Component } from 'react';
2  import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
3  import { Table, Button, Modal, ModalHeader, ModalBody, ModalFooter, Input, FormGroup, Label
4  import axios from 'axios';
5  import NewPost from './NewPostModal';
6
7  export default class Example extends Component {
```

```
139  if (document.getElementById('example')) {
140    ...ReactDOM.render(<Example />, document.getElementById('example'));
141  }
```

Integrating React JS Component in Views

- 1) React Components are identified by documentID, thus integrating a React component in Laravel view file can be done by binding of documentID to `<div>` tag.
- 2) Import the `app.css` and `app.js` into view file in order to integrate the css and js scaffold within the view file.

resources > views >  welcome.blade.php

```
11     <link href="/css/app.css" rel="stylesheet">
12 </head>
13 <body class="antialiased">
14     <div id="example"></div>
15 </body>
16 <script src="/js/app.js"></script>
17 </html>
```

React JS Concepts: Components

- 1) Components let you split the UI into independent, reusable pieces, and think about each piece in isolation.
- 2) Conceptually, components are like JavaScript functions. They return React elements describing what should appear on the screen.
- 3) To define a Component:

```
function Example()  
{  
  return <h1>Hello</h1>;  
}  
export default Example;
```

React JS Concepts: Components

1) However, it is more common to use ES6 class to define a component. (**NOTE: If you are doing React Native for Android/iOS development, you MUST use ES6 class**):

```
class Example extends Component
{
  render() {
    return (<h1>Hello</h1>) ;
  }
}
export default Example;
```

React JS Concepts: Components

- 1) Components can refer to other components in their output. This lets allows usage of the same component abstraction for any level of detail.**
 - A button, a form, a dialog, a screen: in React apps, all those are commonly expressed as components.**
 - For example, we can create an App component that renders Example components many times**

React JS Concepts: Components

```
class Example extends Component
{
  render() {
    return (<h1>Hello</h1>);
  }
}
export default Example;

import Example from './Example'
class App extends Component
{
  render() {
    return (
      <Example />
      <Example />
    );
  }
}
export default App;
```

React JS Concepts: States

1) State allows React components to change their output over time in response to user actions, network responses, and anything else.

```
7   export default class Example extends Component {
8     constructor(){
9       super()
10      this.state = {
11        posts: [], //response of API into post state
12        newPostModal: false,
13        newPostData: {title:"", content:"", user_id:""},
14        updatePostModal: false,
15        updatePostData: {id:"", title:"", content:"", user_id:"" }
16      }
17    }
18    loadPost(){
19      axios.get('http://127.0.0.1:8000/api/posts').then((response) => {
20        this.setState({
21          posts:response.data
22        })
23      })
24    }
25  }
```

React JS Concepts: Props

- 1) Props are used to pass attributes to a component.**
- 2) Props are readonly and the value must never be modified during the lifecycle of a component.**

React JS Concepts: Props

```
class Example extends Component
{
  render() {
    return (<h1>Hello, {this.props.name}</h1>) ;
  }
}
export default Example;

import Example from './Example'
class App extends Component
{
  render() {
    return (
      <Example name="Mary Jones"/>
      <Example name="Treble John"/>
    );
  }
}
export default App;
```

React JS Commonly-used Lifecycle Methods: render()

- 1) The only required method in a class component.
- 2) When called, it should examine this.state and this.props and return either React elements/components, arrays or fragments, portals, strings & numbers, Boolean or null.

```
render ()
```

React JS Commonly-used Lifecycle Methods: `constructor()`

1) Called before the component is mounted.

- When implementing the constructor for a `React.Component` subclass, call `super()` before any other statement.

2) Typically, constructors are only used for two purposes:

- Initializing local state by assigning an object to `this.state`
- Binding event handler methods to an instance

```
constructor() {  
  super()  
  this.state = { posts: [] }  
}
```

React JS Commonly-used Lifecycle Methods:

`componentDidMount()`

- 1) Invoked immediately after a component is mounted (inserted into the tree).
 - Initialization that requires DOM nodes should go here.
 - If you need to load data from a remote endpoint, this is a good place to instantiate the network request.
- 2) This method is a good place to set up any subscriptions.

```
componentDidMount()
```

React JS Commonly-used Lifecycle Methods: `componentDidUpdate()`

- 1) Invoked immediately after updating occurs. This method is NOT called for the initial render.
- 2) Use this as an opportunity to operate on the DOM when the component has been updated.
- 3) This is also a good place to do network requests as long as you compare the current props to previous props (e.g. a network request may not be necessary if the props have not changed)

```
componentDidUpdate (prevProps, prevState, snapshot)
```

React JS Commonly-used Lifecycle Methods:

`componentWillUnmount()`

- 1) Invoked immediately before a component is unmounted and destroyed.
- 2) Perform any necessary cleanup in this method, such as invalidating timers, canceling network requests, or cleaning up any subscriptions that were created in `componentDidMount()`.
- 3) Do not call `setState()` because the component will never be re-rendered. Once a component instance is unmounted, it will never be mounted again.

```
componentWillUnmount()
```

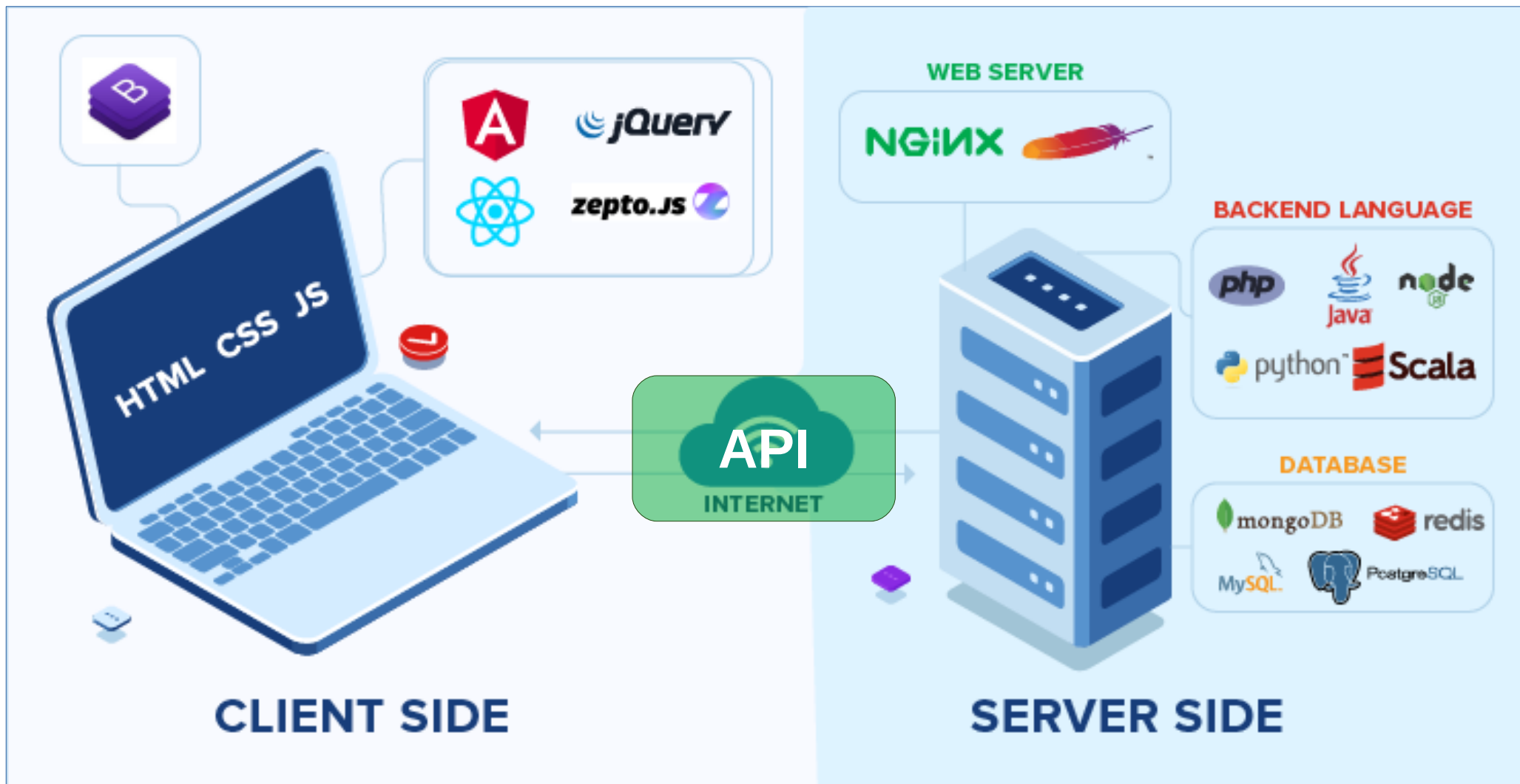
React JS Event Handling

1) A common pattern in ES6 is for an event handler to be a method on the class:

```
<Button color="success" size="sm" className="mr-2"
onClick={this.callUpdatePost.bind(this, post.id,
post.title, post.content, post.user_id)}> Edit
</Button>

...
onChange={ (e) =>{
  let { updatePostData } = this.state
  updatePostData.content = e.target.value
  this.setState({updatePostData})
}}></Input>
```

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API: Application Programming Interface

- 1) API is software intermediary that allows two applications to talk to each other.
- 2) It is a set of rules that allow programs to talk to each other. The developer creates the API on the server and allows the client to talk to it.
- 3) In order to enable React JS client-side to communicate with Laravel framework server-side database, API need to be created.

RESTful API

- 1) REST determines how the API looks like. It stands for “Representational State Transfer”.**
- 2) It is a set of rules that developers follow when they create their API. One of these rules states that one should be able to get a piece of data (called a resource) when one link to a specific URL.**
- 3) Each URL is called a request while the data sent back is called a response.**

RESTful API: Methods

1)The method is the type of request you send to the server. You can choose from these five types below:

- GET
- POST
- PUT
- PATCH
- DELETE

2)They are used to perform four possible actions: Create, Read, Update and Delete (CRUD).

RESTful API: Endpoints

1) RESTful API endpoints consist of the method, API name and the database access application logic as follows:

```
routes > 🐘 api.php
```

```
23 Route::get('posts', [PostController::class, 'index']);
24 Route::post('post', [PostController::class, 'store']);
25 Route::put('post/{id}', [PostController::class, 'update']);
26 Route::delete('post/{id}', [PostController::class, 'destroy']);
```

RESTful API: JSON

- 1) JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) a common format for sending and requesting data through a REST API.
- 2) A JSON object looks like a JavaScript Object. In JSON, each property and value must be wrapped with double quotation marks.

```
{  
  "name": "Doctor Strange",  
  "email": "doctor@gmail.com",  
  "password": "doctor1234"  
}
```

RESTful API: HTTP Status Codes And Error Messages

1) HTTP status codes tell the status of the response quickly. The range from 100+ to 500+:

- 200+ means the request has succeeded.**
- 300+ means the request is redirected to another URL**
- 400+ means an error that originates from the client has occurred**
- 500+ means an error that originates from the server has occurred.**

```
return response()->json([  
    'message' => 'User successfully registered',  
    'user' => $user  
], 201);
```

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