React Fundamentals





- Rendering and event handling
- Maintained by Facebook
- Novel and revolutionary ideas
- Declarative
- Composable components





Rendering

conversion of

data that describes the state of the user interface

into

 document object model objects that the browser can use to produce a user interface that the user can see and interact with

Event handling

lets the programmer **detect user interactions** with their program and to specify **program response**.





Maintained by Facebook

- created by Facebook
- maintained by Facebook.
- significant piece of Facebook's technology repertoire
- used in many of their projects.





Novel and revolutionary ideas:

- Influence from functional programming
 - modeling components as functions,
 - programming by transforming values,
 - separating the calculation of UI changes from the application of those changes
- One-way data flow
 - enforce a symmetry between the UI model and the rendered user interface
- Virtual DOM
 - JavaScript object model that React uses to calculate user interface changes
- Vanilla JS for templating
 - no special UI template syntax





- Declarative
 - A React application is a set of components, each of which declaratively defines a mapping between
 - some states and
 - the desired user interface
 - The interface is only changed by changing the state.
- Composable components
 - o self-contained units of functionality
 - o **interface** that defines
 - their inputs as properties and
 - their outputs as callbacks
 - components can be freely nested within each other (composition)



Advantages and Disadvantages

Advantages

Conceptual simplicity

Speed

Simple model for server-side rendering

Disadvantages

Limited in scope

Productivity

Complex tooling



React vs. Angular

React

Renders UI and handles events

Uses JavaScript for view logic

JavaScript

Angular

A complete UI framework

Custom "template expression" syntax

TypeScript



Demo

Setting up a React development environment



React Development Environment

- Initially React was a simple JavaScript file.
 - it is no longer practical
- Today it is necessary to use a build system
 - process many JavaScript files written with
 - modern JavaScript (ES6+ / ES2016...) and
 - React's JSX syntax
 - o convert them to a format that could be loaded into browsers
- create-react-app (https://github.com/facebook/create-react-app)
 - React application bootstrapper released by Facebook
 - bootstraps extremely simple, lacking functionalities such as state management and routing
 - It will be needed to add and configure many other libraries on top of it
 - npx create-react-app <project name>



Initial Application: index.js

```
> public

✓ src

 # App.css
 JS App.js
 JS App.test.js
 # index.css
 JS index.js
 Js setupTests.js
.gitignore
{} package-lock.json
{} package.json
README.md
```



Initial Component: app.js



Initial Component test: app.test.js

```
import { render, screen } from '@testing-library/react';
import App from './App';

test('renders learn react link', () => {
  render(<App />);
  const linkElement = screen.getByText(/React/i);
  expect(linkElement).toBeInTheDocument();
});
```



Comandos npm

- Lifecycle scripts included:
 - start -> react-scripts start
 - o test -> react-scripts test
- available via `npm run`:
 - build -> react-scripts build
 - eject -> react-scripts eject



Demo

Setting up a React development environment

Building a simple React application



What is the DOM?

An API for HTML and XML documents

Defines the logical structure of documents

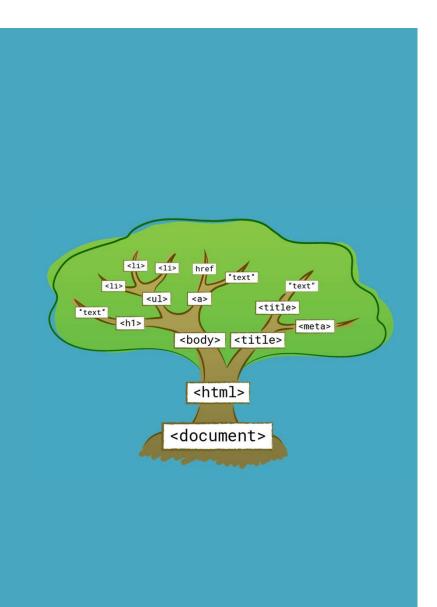
Defines the way a document is accessed and manipulated



With the Document Object Model, programmers can *build* documents, *navigate* their structure, and *add*, *modify*, or *delete* elements and content.

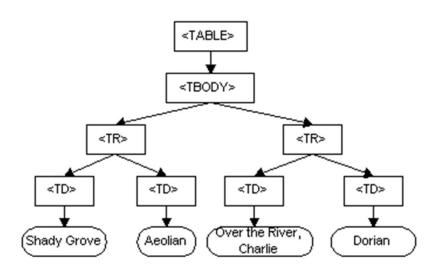
https://www.w3.org/TR/REC-DOM-Level-1/





Anything found in an HTML or XML document can be accessed, changed, deleted, or added using the Document Object Model.



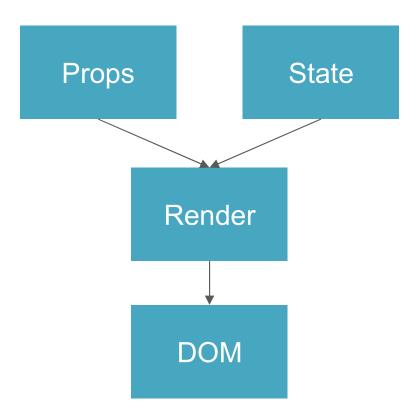


Consider an Structured Model rather than a tree or grove.

```
<TABLE>
<TBODY>
<TR>
<TR>
<TD>Shady Grove</TD>
<TD>Aeolian</TD>
</TR>
</TR>
<TR>
<TR>
<TD>Over the River, Charlie</TD>
</TD>
</TD>
</TR>
</TBODY>
</TABLE>
```

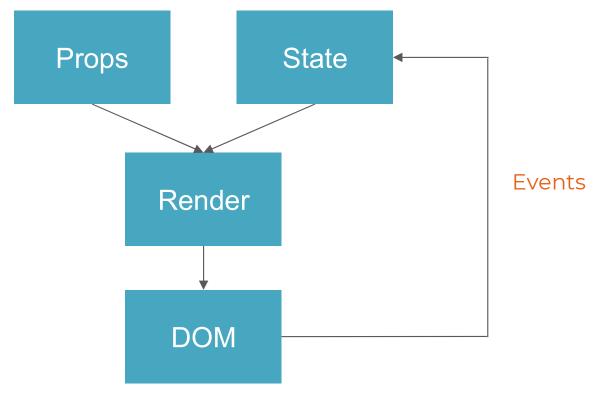


Architecture





Architecture



Model + Component = DOM

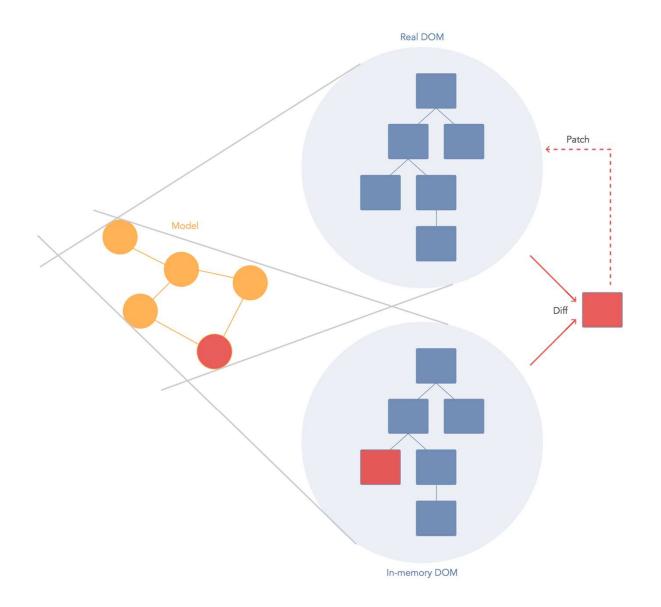


The virtual DOM (VDOM) is a programming concept where an ideal, or "virtual", representation of a UI is kept in memory and synced with the "real" DOM.

This process is called reconciliation.

https://reactjs.org/docs/faq-internals.html





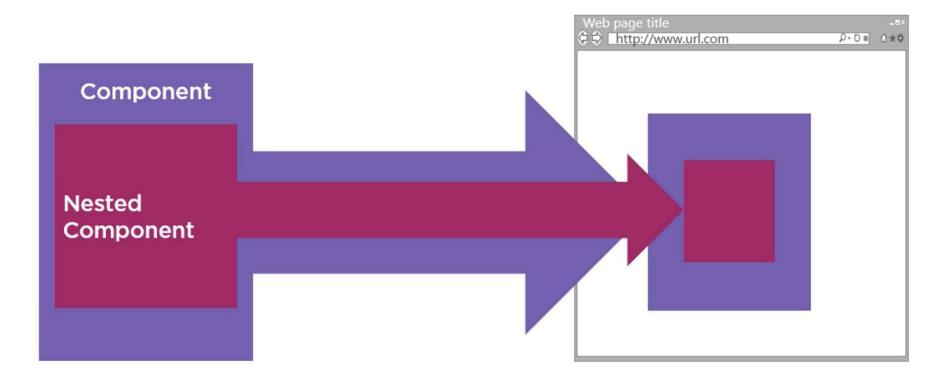
Virtual DOM



What Is a Component?

React Application

DOM





The Author Quiz

Author Quiz

Select the book written by the author shown



Macbeth

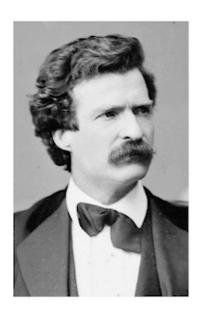
The Shining

Heart of Darkness

Hamlet



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The Shining

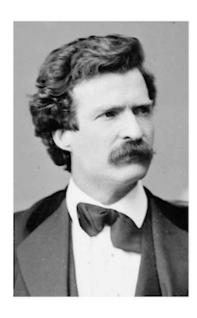
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Macbeth

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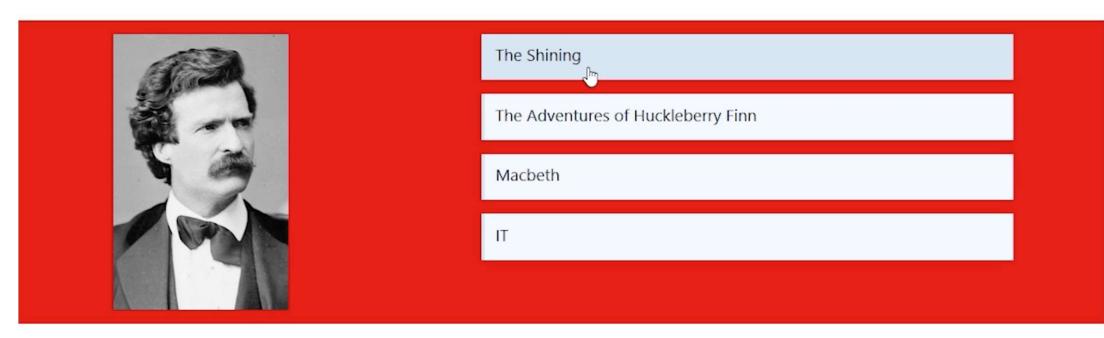
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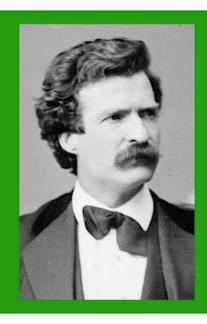
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Harry Potter and the Sorcerers Stone

Macbeth

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```
function Hello(props) {
    return <h1>Hello at {props.now}</h1>
}
```

Defining a Component

Value return from the function -> JSX (markup language that React compiles to JavaScript)

- **Model data** is passed into the component as the argument to the function
- Curly braces are used to indicate a JavaScript expression
- It should be **evaluated** and interpolated into the output.
- This **output** is a piece of UI, that incorporate the model data



Rendering a Component

```
import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
import React from 'react';

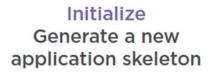
function Hello(props) {
    return <h1>Hello at {props.now}</h1>
}

ReactDOM.render(<Hello now={new Date().toISOString()} />,
    document.getElementById('root')
);
```



Bootstrapping the Author Quiz







Style Create the basic layout and styles



Component
Define the top-level
AuthorQuiz
component



Components: props + state

- Components can render based on data from two sources, props and state.
- Props contain immutable data passed from parent components.
- State contains local mutable data.
- Avoid using state where possible



Elements represented in JSX

Props props = { a: 4, b: 2 function Sum(props) { return $\langle h1 \rangle \{props.a\} + \{props.b\} = \{props.a + \{props.a\}\}$ props.b}</h1> ReactDOM.render(<Sum $a={4}$ $b={2}$ />, document.getElementById('root'));



"All React components must act like pure functions with respect to their props."

React documentation



Class Components [Deprecated?]



Convert a function component to a class

- 1. Create an ES6 class, with the same name, that extends React.Component.
- 2. Add a single empty method to it called render().
- 3. Move the body of the function into the render() method.
- 4. Replace props with this.props in the render() body.
- 5. Delete the remaining empty function declaration.



Component Lifecycle

Mounting



Updating





State

Alternative component data container

State is local, mutable data

More complex



Class statefull Components

```
class ClickCounter extends React.Component {
         constructor(props) {
                   super(props);
                  this.state = {clicks: 0};
         render()
         return
                  <div onClick={ () =>
                  {this.setState({clicks:
              this.state.clicks + 1}); }}>
                  This div has been clicked
                   {this.state.clicks} times.
                   </div>;
```



Functions for statefull componets

```
import React, { useState } from 'react';
function Sample () {
  const [state, setState] = useState([])
  return (
    <div>... {state} </div>
ReactDOM.render(<Sample />,
   document.getElementById('root')
);
```



Function statefull Components

```
function App() {
    // el state representa el modelo de datos
    const [model, setModel] = useState({clicks: 0})

    // una función que permite modificar el modelo
    const clickHandler = ()=>{
        setModel({ clicks: model.clicks + 1})
    }
    return (...
        <ClickCounter clicks={model.clicks}
             onClick={clickHandler}></ClickCounter>)
    ...
```



setState

Previous state + State change = New state

```
{
    a: 1,
    b: 3,
    c: 4
    b: 3,
});
    c: 4
}
```



Hooks

- Special functions added in versión 16.8 (early 2019)
 - useState
 - useEffect
 - useContext
- Rules
 - Only Call Hooks at the Top Level
 - Don't call Hooks inside loops, conditions, or nested functions.
 - Only Call Hooks from React Functions
 - Call Hooks from React function components
 - Call Hooks from custom Hooks
- https://reactjs.org/docs/hooks-intro.html



Prop Types



Prop Types



Prop Types



Prop Validation: PropTypes

```
import PropTypes from 'prop-types';
function Sum(props) {
    return (
            \langle h1 \rangle \{props.a\} + \{props.b\} = \{props.a + \}
props.b}</h1>
    );
Sum.propTypes = {
    a: PropTypes.number.isRequired,
    b: PropTypes.number.isRequired
ReactDOM.render(<Sum a={\text{"a"}} b={2} />,
    document.getElementById('root')
);
```



TypeScript and Flow

```
interface SumProps{
    a: number;
    b: number;
function Sum(props: SumProps) {
    return (
             \langle h1 \rangle \{props.a\} + \{props.b\} = \{props.a + \{props.a\}\}
props.b}</h1>
    );
ReactDOM.render(<Sum a={4} b={2} />,
    document.getElementById('root')
);
```



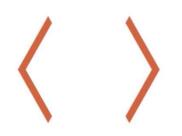
Demo

Setting up a React development environment with Typescript

npx create-react-app croject>
--template typescript



What is JSX?



Supports xml-like syntax in JavaScript

Each element is transformed into a JavaScript function call



JSX

```
<Sum a = {4} b = {3} />
```

JavaScript



JSX

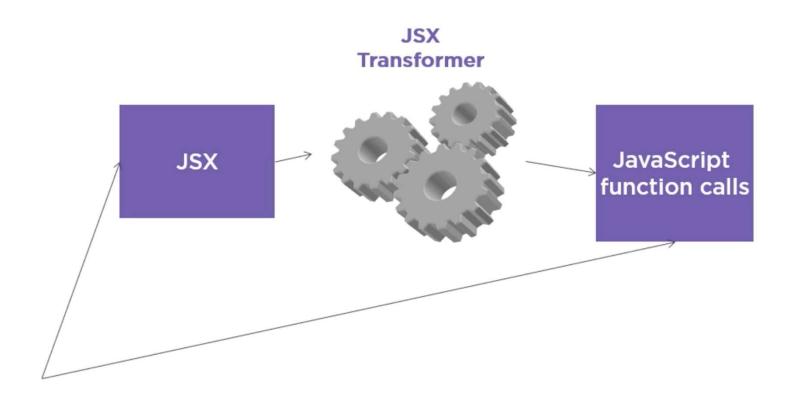
```
<h1>
<h1>

<Sum a={4} b={3} />
</h1>
```

JavaScript



Not Using JSX





<Hello now={new Date().toISOString()} />

Props in JSX

JSX attributes become component props



```
<Hello now={new Date().toISOString()} />
<Hello now="Literal string value" />
```

Props in JSX

JSX attributes become component props



```
const props = {a: 4, b: 2};
const element = <Sum {...props} />
```

Props in JSX

Spread Attributes



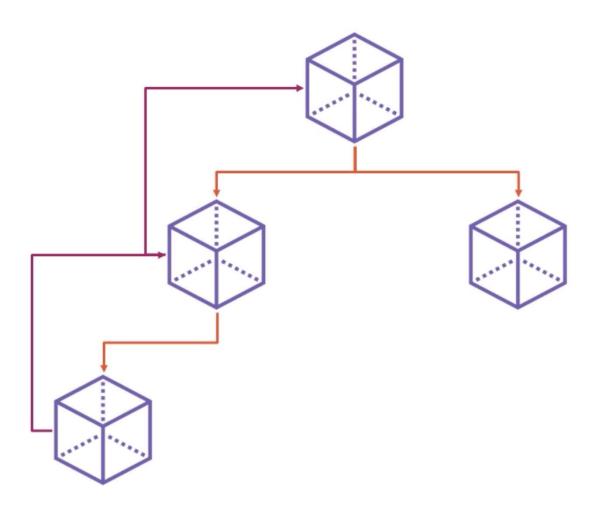
```
function Clicker({handleClick}) {
    return <button onClick={(e) => {handleClick('A');}}>A</button>
}
const el = <Clicker handleClick={(letter) => {log(letter);}} />
```

Props in JSX

Events



React Data Flow





JSX

HTML

```
<label
     for="name"
     class="highlight"
     style="background-
color:
          yellow"
>
     Foo Bar
</label>
```



<div dangerouslySetInnerHTML={{__html="<p>foo}} />

Unescaping Content

React escapes content by default



```
<Hello>
    <First />
    <Second />
</Hello>
```

Child Expressions and Elements

JSX elements can be nested



props.children

Child Expressions and Elements

JSX elements can be nested



Child Expressions and Elements



Child Expressions and Elements



Form Elements



Just like HTML

Preserve React's rendering semantics



```
<input type="text" value="react" />
```

Text Input



HTML

React

```
<textarea>
Foo Bar
</textarea>
```

<textarea value="Foo Bar" />



HTML

React



Allowing User Input



Form elements are read-only

Component state supports editing

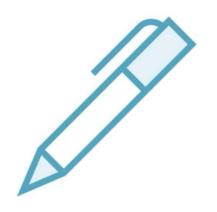


A Read-Only Form

```
Class Identity extends React.Component {
        render() {
        return (
        <form>
                <input type="text" value="" placeholder="First</pre>
name" />
                <input type="text" value="" placeholder="Last name"</pre>
/>
        </form>
```



Allowing User Input



Add state to the component

Bind inputs to the component state

Use on Change handler to update state



A Read-Only Form

```
Class Identity extends React.Component {
    constructor() {
        super();
        this.state = {
            firstName: "",
            lastName: ""
        this.onFieldChange = this.onFieldChange.bind(this);
    onFieldChange(event) {
        this.setState({
            [event.target.name]: event.target.value
        });
```

A Read-Only Form



React Forms



Forms can be time consuming

Many form libraries are available

Increase productivity, decrease control



JSON Schema https://rjsf-team.github.io/react-jsonschema-form/

```
A registration form

✓ JSONSchema

                                                                                                                                              A simple form example.
       "title": "A registration form",
       "description": "A simple form example.",
                                                                                                                                              First name*
        "type": "object",
       "required": [
                                                                                                                                                Chuck
         "firstName".
         "lastName"
                                                                                                                                              Last name*
        "properties": {
                                                                                                                                                Norris
          "firstName": {
          "type": "string",
                                                                                                                                              Telephone
12
          "title": "First name",
          "default": "Chuck"
13
14
15
          "lastName": {
16
          "type": "string",
17
          "title": "Last name"
19
          "telephone": {
20
           "type": "string",
21
           "title": "Telephone",
22
           "minLength": 10

✓ UISchema

✓ formData

                                                                                "firstName": "Chuck",
        "firstName": {
          "ui:autofocus": true.
                                                                                "lastName": "Norris",
         "ui:emptyValue": "",
         "ui:autocomplete": "family-name"
                                                                                "bio": "Roundhouse kicking asses since 1940",
                                                                                "password": "noneed"
        "lastName": {
         "ui:emptyValue": "",
 8
         "ui:autocomplete": "given-name"
10
11
         "ui:widget": "updown",
12
         "ui:title": "Age of person",
14
         "ui:description": "(earthian year)"
15
16
17
         "ui:widget": "textarea"
18
19
         "ui:widget": "password",
         "ui:help": "Hint: Make it strong!"
22
```



Form Validation



Use a form library or implement

Validate on change or on submission

Display errors inline or aggregated elsewhere





Access DOM elements

Use React.createRef()



```
class Identity extends React.Component {
    constructor() {
        super();
        this.myDiv = React.createRef();
    }
}
```

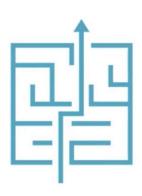




```
componentDidMount() {
    this.myDiv.current.innerHTML += "<br /> Set on the wrapped
DOM element. <strong>Unsafe</strong>";
}
```



Client-Side Routing with HTML5 pushState



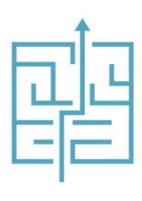
pushState allows JavaScript to update the browser URL

Uses proper URLs

Requires server-side support



React Router



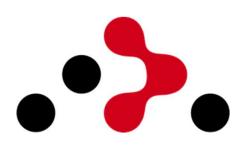
Client side router for React

Conditional rendering based on routes

Supports path updates



React Router Dom



Popular routing library (react-router-dom)

Declare routes via React components

"Load this component for this URL"



Key Components

Router Wrap app entry point

Route "Load this component for this URL

Link Anchors



Pick a Router

HashRouter

BrowserRouter

MemoryRouter

Places hashes in the URL

Uses HTML5 History API for clean URLS

Useful for testing and React Native



Demo

React Router route configuration



Links (Anchors)



404 Page



Redirects

```
Need to change the URL? Use a Redirect.
```

```
<Redirect to="/heroes" />
```



Redirects

```
Need to change the URL? Use a Redirect.
{ this.state.redirectToUsers && <Redirect to="/heroes" /> }
```



Redirects

```
Need to change the URL? Use a Redirect.
```

```
<Redirect from="old-path" to="new-path" />
```



Programmatic Redirect

```
props.history.push('new/path');
```



```
// Given a route like this
<Route path="/hero/:heroName" component={HeroDetail} />
```



```
// Given a route like this
<Route path="/hero/:heroName" component={HeroDetail} />
// And a URL like this
ToH.com/hero/bombasto?level=60
```



```
// Given a route like this
<Route path="//hero/:heroName" component={HeroDetail} />
// And a URL like this
ToH.com/hero/bombasto?level=60
// Props will be
Function HeroDetail(props) {
   props.match.params.heroName; // bombasto
   props.location.query; // {level: 60}
   Props.location.pathname; // /hero/bombasto?level=60
```



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   props.match.params.heroName; // bombasto
   props.location.query; // {level: 60}
   Props.location.pathname; // /hero/bombasto?level=60
```



Page Transitions

```
<Prompt
  when="{isBlocking}"
  message="Are you sure you want to navigate away?"
/>
```



Flux Implementations

Facebook's Flux Fluxxor

Alt

Delorean

Reflux

NuclearJS

Flummox Fluxible

Marty Redux

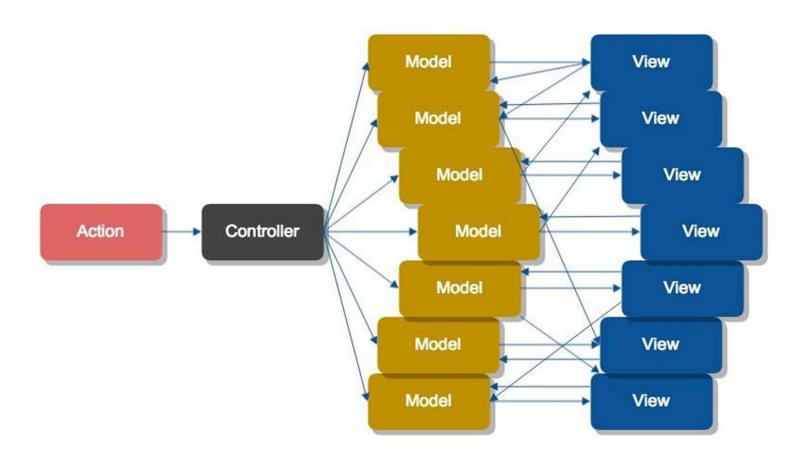




They call it Flux for a reason



Good Luck Debugging This





Flux Implementations



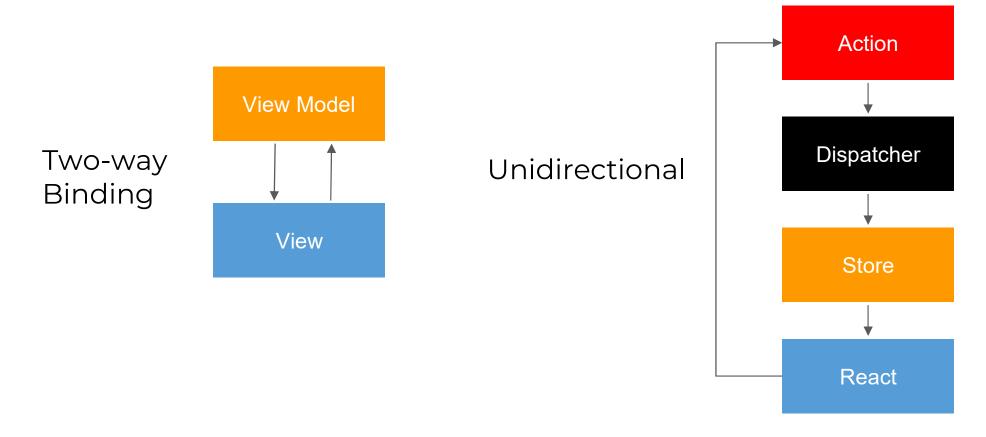
A pattern

Centralized dispatcher

Unidirectional data flows

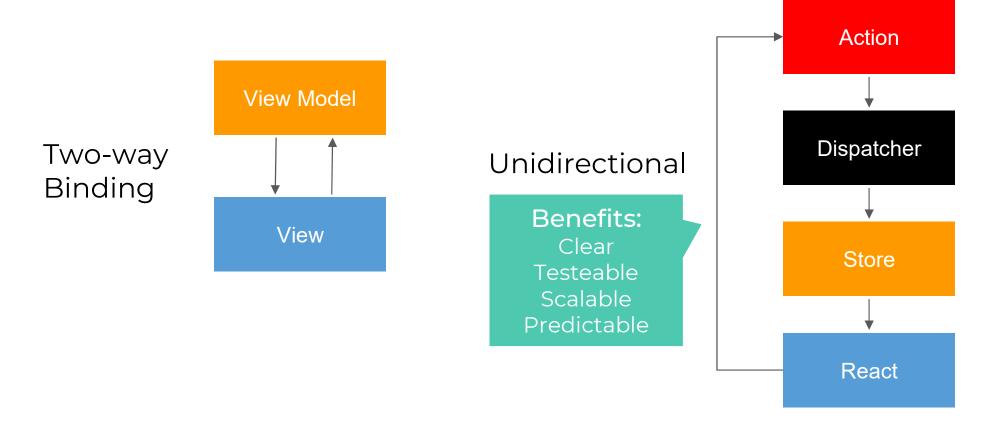


Two-way Bindings vs Unidirectional



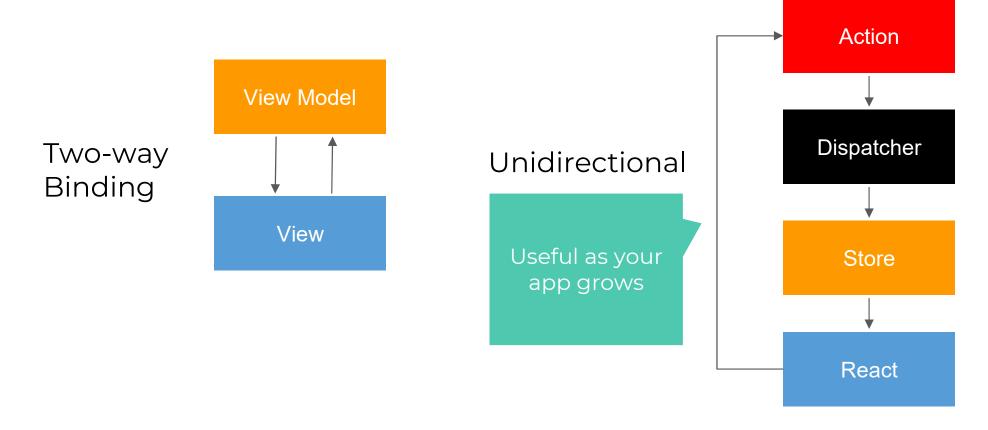


Two-way Bindings vs Unidirectional



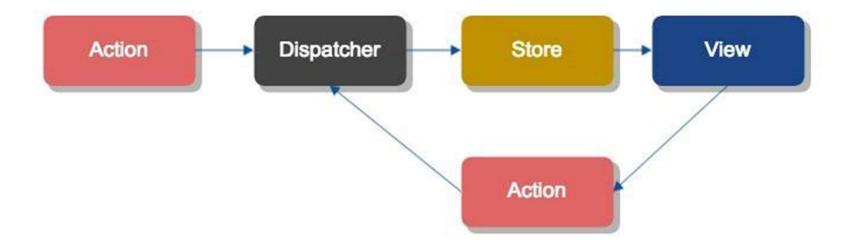


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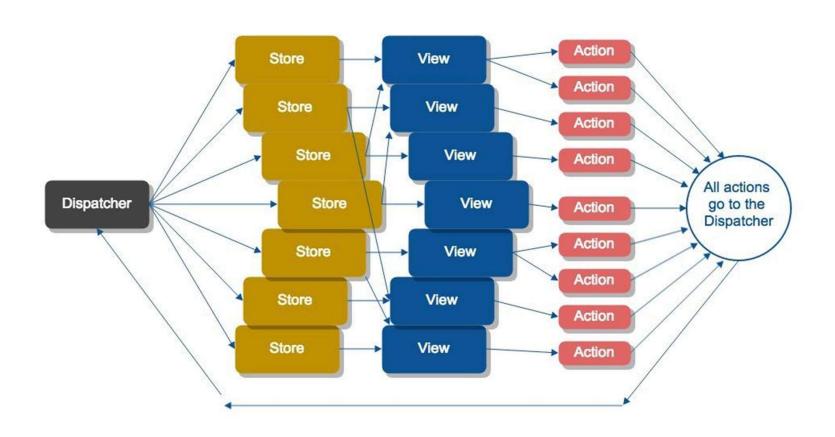


Unidirectional data flow as a solution



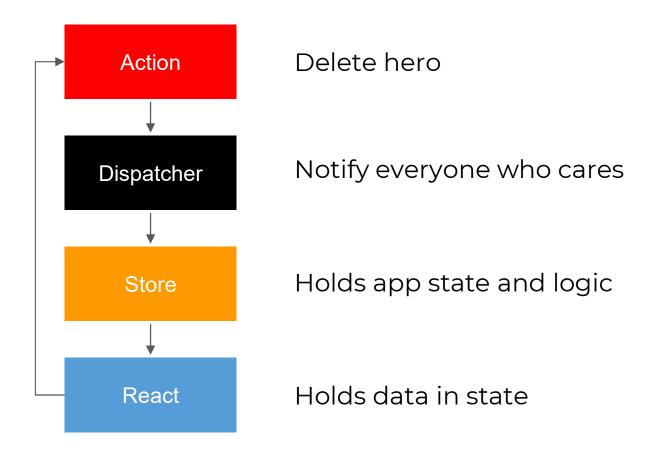


Unidirectional data flow as a solution



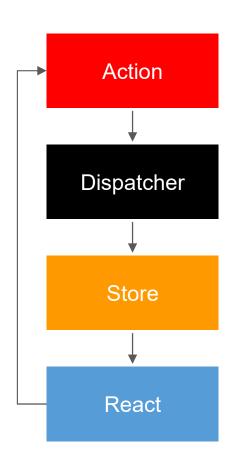


Flux: 3 Parts





Actions



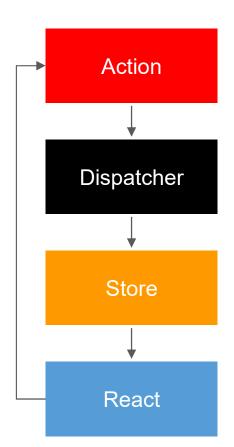
Encapsulate events

Triggered by user interactions and server

Passed to dispatcher



Actions

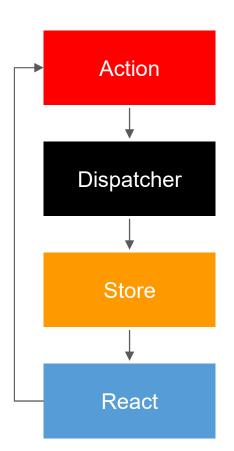


```
Payload has a type and data

{
    type: "HERO_SAVED"
    data: {
        heroId: 14,
        heroName: Bombasto
    }
}
```



Actions



Payload has a type and data

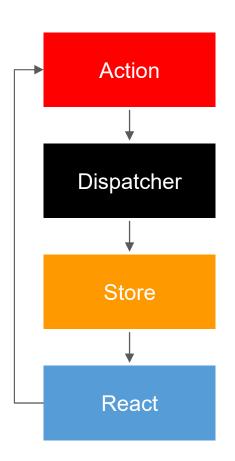
```
Only the type property is required

type: "HERO_SAVED"

data: {
    heroId: 14,
    heroName: Bombasto
}
```



Dispatcher



Central Hub - There's only one

Holds a list of callbacks

Broadcasts payload to registered callbacks

Sends actions to stores



Constants

```
JS actionsTypes.js X

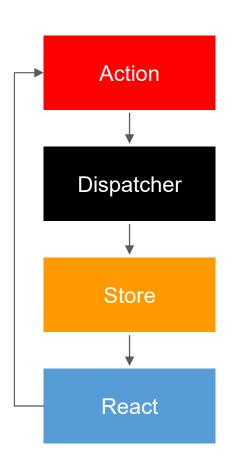
gilbe-cao > toh-react > src > JS actionsTypes.js

1    export default {
2        LOAD_HEROES: 'LOAD_HEROES',
3        CREATE_HERO: 'CREATE_HERO',
4        UPDATE_HERO: 'UPDATE_HERO',
5        DELETE_HERO: 'DELETE_HERO'
6    };
```

Keeps things organized

Provides high level view of what the app actually does





Holds app state, logic, data retrieval

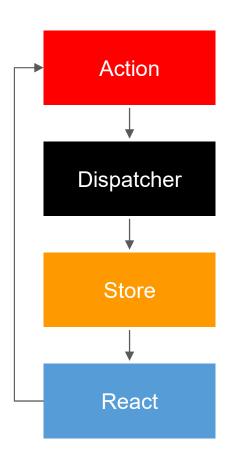
Not a model - Contains models

One, or many

Registers callbacks with dispatcher

Uses Node's EventEmitter





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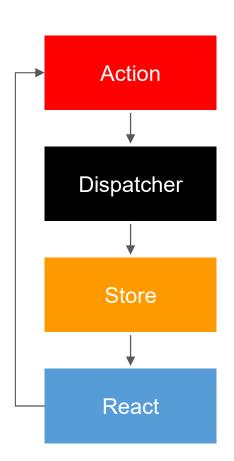
One, or many

Registers callbacks with dispatcher

Uses Node'

Hey dispatcher, when an action occurs, let me know.





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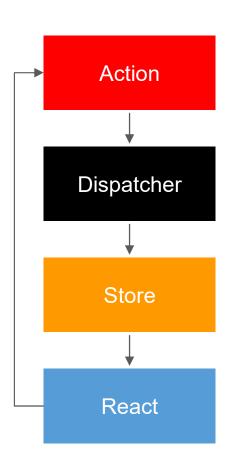
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Only the store can update data





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Not a model - Contains models

One, or many

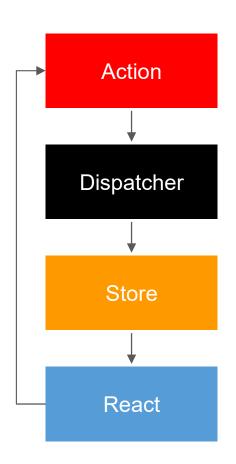
Registers callbacks with dispatcher

Uses Node's EventEmitter

When stores update, they emit a change event so React gets the new data



The Structure of a Store

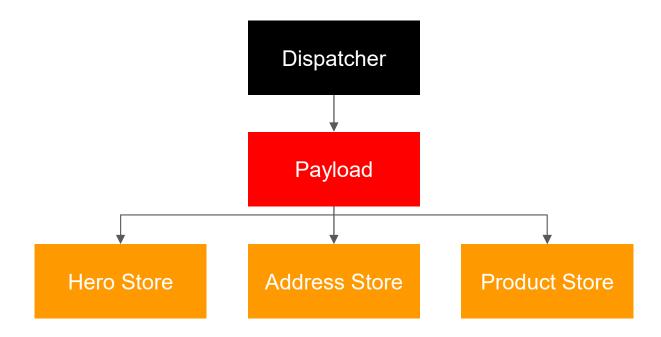


Every store has these common traits (aka interface)

- 1. Extend EventEmitter
- 2. addChangeListener and removeChangeListener
- 3. emitChange

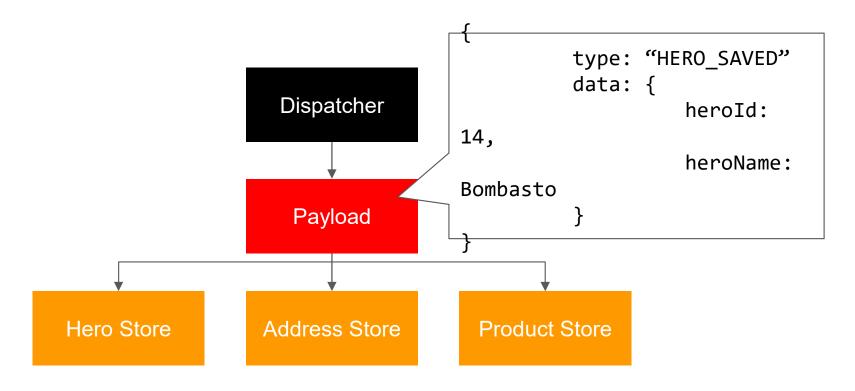


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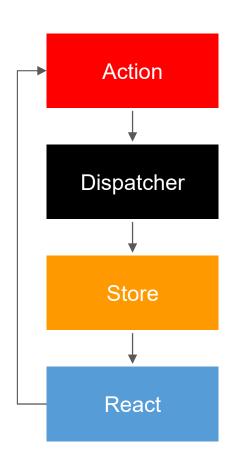


As an app grows, the dispatcher becomes more vital, as it can be used to manage dependencies between the stores by invoking the registered callbacks in a specific order. Stores can declaratively wait for other stores to finish updating, and then update themselves accordingly.

Flux documentation



Controller Views



Top level component

Interacts with Stores

Holds data in state

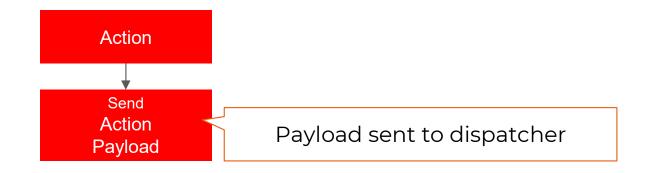
Sends data to children as props



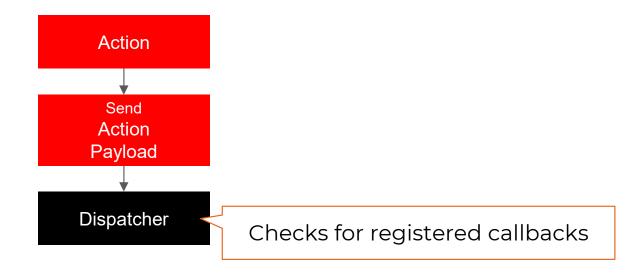
Action

User clicked "Save Hero" button...





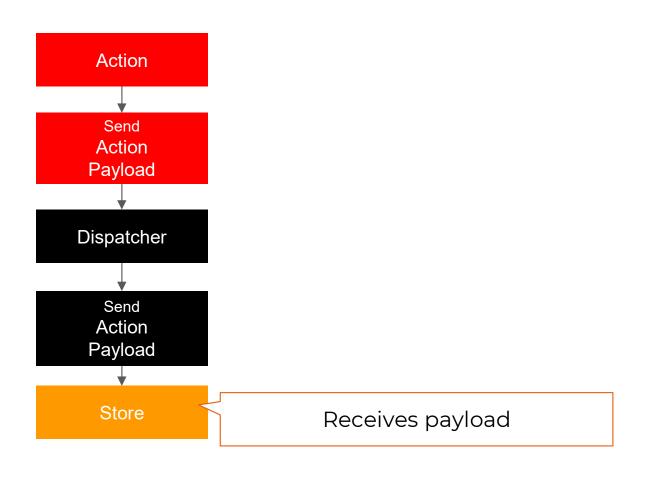




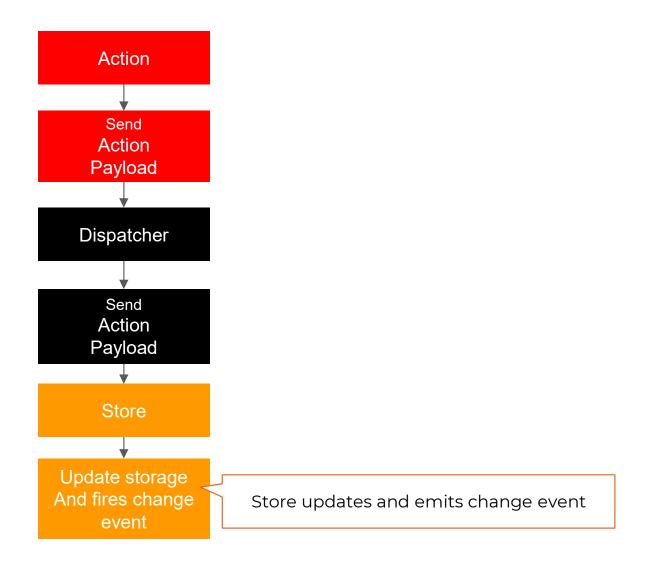




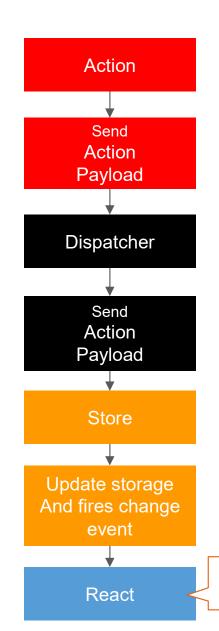






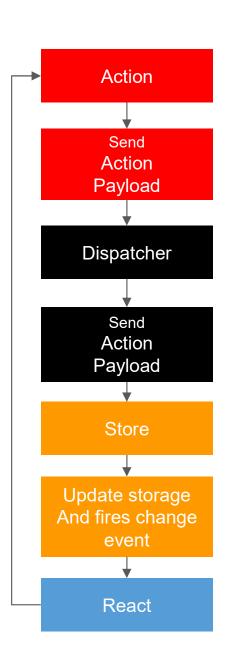






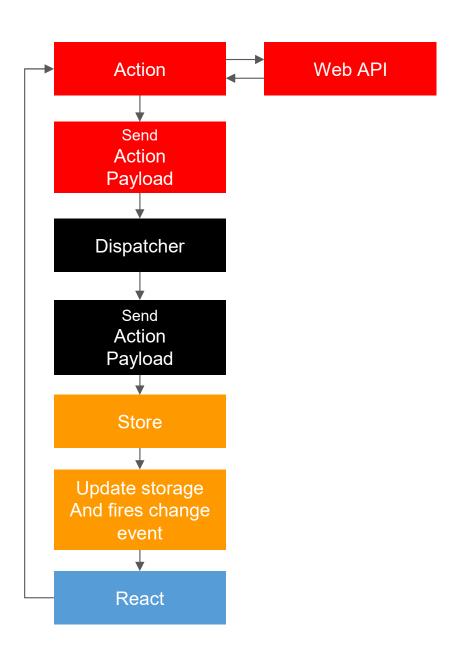
Receives change event and re-renders





New actions in the UI will start this flow over again







A Chat With Flux

React Hey HeroAction, someone clicked this "Save Hero" button

Action Thanks React! I registered an action creator with the dispatcher, so the

dispatcher should take care of notifying all the stores that care.

Dispatcher Let me see who cares about a hero being saved. Ah! Looks like the HeroStore

has registered a callback with me, so I'll let it know.

Store Hi Dispatcher! Thanks for the update! I'll update my data with the payload you

sent. Then I'll emit an event for the React components that care.

React Ooo! Shiny new data from the store! I'll update the UI to reflect this!



The Flux API is 5 functions



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isDispatching() - "I'm busy dispatching callbacks right now."



Flux is a Publish-Subscribe Model?

Not quite.

Differs in two ways:

- 1. Every payload is dispatched to all registered callbacks
- 2. Callbacks can wait for other callbacks

