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U3YDBDP4Z: Right.
U3HQVHERX: ```linkAttrs: String-> List (Attribute Msg)
linkAttrs path =
[ href <| path, R.onLinkClick &lt;| UpdateLocation path ]
U3YDBDP4Z: I'm not clicking any links. This is on page load
U3YDBDP4Z: I get the "correct" views if I change the url, as if it doesn't even care about the `userRequired` function
U3YDBDP4Z: But none of the debug logs are being logged::confused:
U3YDBDP4Z: So I don't know what's going on!? :smile:
U3HQVHERX : oh, none of them are being logged??
U3YDBDP4Z: No
U3HQVHERX: Try putting one in your init
U3HQVHERX: just for a sanity check
U3HQVHERX: "init: Location -> ( Model, Cmd Msg )
init location =
  let
    currentRoute =
       Routing.parseLocation location
    _ = Debug.log "loc" location
  in
    ( Models.initialModel currentRoute, Cmd.none )
U3YDBDP4Z: init logs
U2SR9DL7Q: <@U0JL9RPC4> just a quick update. did some reading, should be possible to keep the css locally, i'll
need bower, some build steps and some finnicking, but it *should* work. thanks again!
U3HQVHERX: i gtg, but follow it down the rabbit hole, look in the `parseLocation` function.... then keep digging: wink:
U3YDBDP4Z: Alright, take care!
U3HQVHERX: good luck
U3YDBDP4Z: Problem solved
U3LUC6SNS: What do you recommend in the way of application icons. Material? Something else? I'd love to see an
example of styling a button or something with an icon.
U3LUC6SNS: Oops: TheSeamau5/elm-material-icons doesn't work with 0.18
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U5GJ5FEAU: i'm thinking how do we handle a textbox that holds a field of type float. Whenever a user inputs a dot, it doesn't pass as a valid float (in the update) and then the re-render causes the textbox to remove the dot. Same goes for clearing/emptying out such a field.

U3LUC6SNS : Are you setting `value` ? U5GJ5FEAU : <@U3LUC6SNS> yes

U4F64AKQV : <@U5GJ5FEAU> Maybe you should have two different checks for whether the input is valid. One for when the user is still typing and another for when they attempt to submit the value.

U5GJ5FEAU: yeah! i was thinking of that as well. Earlier method seemed like the easy way out:smile:

U5GJ5FEAU : Another thought was to do the check onBlur but unfortunately we don't have the value on blur. Maybe i'll try to write a custom onBlur event handler

U5GJ5FEAU : custom onBlur seems like a good way to do it. Just not sure if it punishes me sometime in the future :smile:

U5UP0B6QM: is there a syntax for combining exposing all `module My.Module exposing (..)` with exposing union types `module My.Module exposing (MyType(..))`?

U4872964V: <@U5UP0B6QM> combining how?

U5UP0B6QM: just wanted to expose everything in my module, but it seems to be having trouble with me union types when i try to access them in other files

U5UP0B6QM: woops i figured it out.. my mistake. thanks for the quick feedback though!

U3YDBDP4Z: How do I create commands? I'm not finding any docs about it

U3YDBDP4Z: And how do I use `if else` with Maybes?

U5UP0B6QM: https://www.elm-tutorial.org/en/03-subs-cmds/02-commands.html

U3YDBDP4Z: Yes but it's not really helpful, because it only shows how Random gives you a command, not how to issue one of your own

U5UP0B6QM: from my understanding commands can only be called in the update

U3YDBDP4Z: Yup

U3SJEDR96: <@U3YDBDP4Z> a Cmd is a structure that the runtime can interpret and allows the runtime to execute

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something, after which it would call your update with the resulting msg. What is your use-case for creating commands?
U3SJEDR96: as for `if..else` with `Maybe`; could you explain what you're trying to achieve? I'm sure we can help you
figure out how to best handle it :slightly_smiling_face:
U3YDBDP4Z: Basically, in pseudo-elm code
U3YDBDP4Z: `cmd = if model.user then Cmd.none else ChangeLocation "sign-in"`
U3YDBDP4Z: model.user is a `Maybe User`
U3SJEDR96: Right, so, 'ChangeLocation "foo" is a branch of your 'update', right?
U3YDBDP4Z: Yup
U3SJEDR96: Does it change anything in your model, or does it just return your model and adds a cmd to actually go to
a different page?
U3YDBDP4Z: If the command is ChangeLocation, then model route would also need to be updated
U3YDBDP4Z: So the url and route match
U3SJEDR96: Right. So what you'd basically do is take the content of that branch of your update, turn it into a function,
and call that
U3SJEDR96: I mean, you already have the code you want to execute, now you just need to call it. But rather than
you telling the runtime to execute your 'update' with a certain message, you can just call it directly
U3YDBDP4Z: Sure. But then this branch of `update` would just return `(model, Cmd.none)` if that's the case?
U3YDBDP4Z : If I call `update` with another message directly?
U3SJEDR96: I wouldn't call 'update' directly, making 'update' a recursive function can get confusing while there's no
real need for that. Taking the code you actually need (the content of tht branch) and putting it into a function, then
calling that function from both places is going to be much easier
U3YDBDP4Z: Then you lost me.: slightly_smiling_face: Cause I thought we were talking about recursive update calls
U3SJEDR96: I see how I could've given you that idea, but I was rather talking about calling the common code directly,
rather than update itself. Could you perhaps post your update somewhere? I could give you some pointers
:slightly smiling face:
U3YDBDP4Z: "update: Msg -> Model -> ( Model, Cmd a )
update msg model =
  case msg of
    ChangeLocation path ->
       ( model, Navigation.newUrl path )
    OnLocationChange location ->
       let
         newRoute =
           location
              |> parseLocation
         cmd = if model.user then Cmd.none else ChangeLocation "sign-in"
       in
         ( { model | route = newRoute }, cmd )
U3SJEDR96: Right, so, the simplest thing to do here would be `cmd = if model, user == Nothing then
Navigation.newUrl "sign-in" else Cmd.none`
U3YDBDP4Z: Hmm true true
U3SJEDR96: (you'll need `(Model, Cmd Msg)` in your type annotation, tho)
U3YDBDP4Z: Thanks for the guidance!
U3YDBDP4Z: Does Elm use `and` or `&&`?
U3YDBDP4Z: Feels like it should be 'and' but the compiler doesn't recognize it
U3YDBDP4Z: Perhaps I'm missing some parentheses
U3SJEDR96: it's `&&`, <@U3YDBDP4Z>
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http://package.elm-lang.org/packages/elm-lang/core/5.1.1/Basics#&&>

U3YDBDP4Z: "Cannot find variable!=":confused: