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- the redux store holds the entire state tree of the application
- The only way to change the state is by dispatching an action
- to create the store you use the method createStore
- you need to pass the root reducer to create store
- Redux application has one store and the entire state of the app is in that store
- after you create the store, the store will call the reducer with state=undefined, action.type = @@redux/INIT
- to create core redux stuff we use the redux package
- let's create our simple store

Store Methods

- getState() returns the state tree of the application
- dispatch(action) triggers a state change, the store will ask the reducer how to change the state

Splitting Reducers

- when our app state tree becomes more complex, a single reducer to handle the entire state can be a bit messy
- We would like to split the state tree to sections and let different reducers be in charge of different sections
- We can split the root reducer to multiple small reducers
- combineReducers(object) takes and object with multiple reducers
 functions and create a single reducer you can pass to createStore
- let's try and split the current state we have to {user: {...}, todo: {...}}

Store middlewares

- middlewares are wrappers around the store.dispatch
- there can be more that one middleware
- We can use middlewares to enhance our store so we can work with async actions
- To work with async actions we will use redux-thunk middleware
- to install redux-thunk: > npm install redux-thunk --save
- we can apply a middleware on the store by calling the applyMiddleware(...middlewares) and supplying the result to the createStore second argument
- after installing redux-thunk and action can return a function that will be called with the store.dispatch argument
- let's try and install redux-thunk and dispatch and async action

Summary - Combining with React

- How does it all combine with React?
- to connect React with Redux we use the react-redux npm package
- Let's practice what we learned and create a react component which will do the following
 - after component is mounted grab from the todo server the list of tasks
 - display a list of all the titles of tasks you grabbed
 - The store will have a single reducer with the list of tasks in the state
 - the react component will be connected to that list of tasks