



ArcGIS API for JavaScript: Programming Patterns and API Fundamentals

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Why choose the ArcGIS API for JavaScript?

- Seamless interfaces to ArcGIS Platform, ArcGIS Online, and ArcGIS Enterprise
- Client-side analysis
- Interactive data visualizations powered by WebGL
- 2D and 3D all in one API
- Widgets to build professional UI



Maps and Views

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Map and View

```
1 const map = new Map({  
2   basemap: "topo"  
3 });  
4  
5 const mapView = newMapView({  
6   map: map,  
7   container: "viewDiv"  
8 });  
9 const sceneView = newSceneView({  
10   map: map,  
11   container: "viewDiv"  
12 })
```



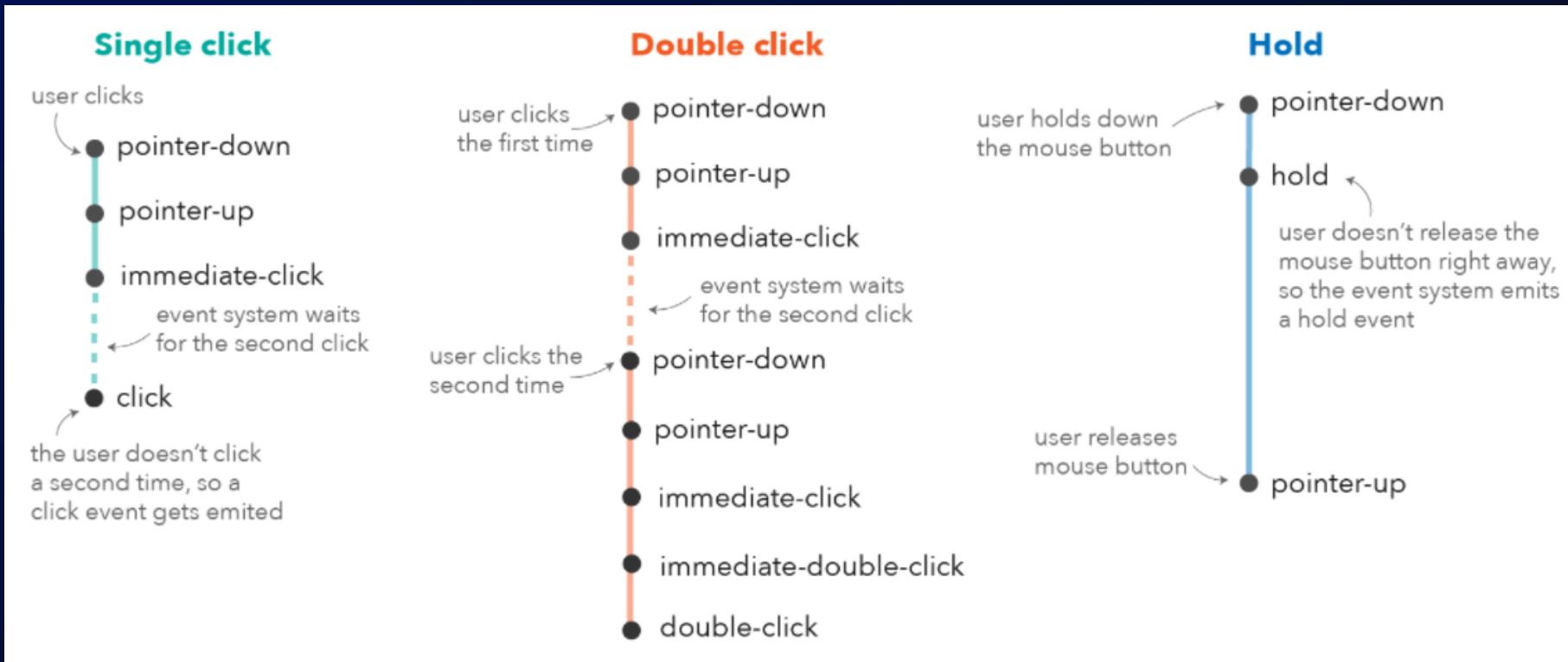
Basemaps

- Basemaps for developers
 - For use with API keys
- Basemaps for ArcGIS Organization users
 - For use with ArcGIS Online/ArcGIS Enterprise users

```
1 const map = new Map({  
2   /*  
3    For ArcGIS organizational usage:  
4    "satellite", "hybrid", "terrain", "oceans", "osm", "dark-gray-vector",  
5    "gray-vector", "streets-vector", "topo-vector", "streets-night-vector",  
6    "streets-relief-vector", "streets-navigation-vector"on-vector"  
7    For API key usage:  
8    "arcgis-imagery", "arcgis-imagery-standard", "arcgis-imagery-labels",  
9    "arcgis-light-gray", "arcgis-dark-gray", "arcgis-navigation", "arcgis-  
10   navigation-night", "arcgis-streets", "arcgis-streets-night", "arcgis-streets-  
11   relief", "arcgis-topographic", "arcgis-oceans", "osm-standard", "osm-standard-  
12   relief", "osm-streets", "osm-streets-relief", "osm-light-gray", "osm-dark-  
13   gray", "arcgis-terrain", "arcgis-community", "arcgischarted-territory",  
14   "arcgis-colored-pencil", "arcgis-nova", "arcgis-modern-antique", "arcgis-  
15   midcentury", "arcgis-newspaper", "arcgis-hillshade-light", "arcgis-hillshade-  
16   dark"  
17   */  
18   basemap: "topo-vector"  
19   /*  
20    world-elevation  
21    */  
22   ground: "world-elevation"  
23 })
```

Interactivity with View Events

- Use view events to interact with the view
- List of Events



Interactivity with View Events

- Access features on pointer move

```
1 // get screenpoint from view's pointer-move event
2 view.on("pointer-move", (event) => {
3     // Search for graphics on layers at the hovered location
4     // exclude view.graphics from the hitTest
5     view.hitTest(event, {exclude: view.graphics}).then((response) => {
6         // if graphics are returned, do something with results
7         const graphic = response.results[0].graphic;
8     })
9 })
```

Interactivity with View Events

- Stop event propagation to prevent default behavior

```
1 view.on("drag", event => {  
2   // user won't be able to drag  
3   event.stopPropagation();  
4 })
```



goTo() with View

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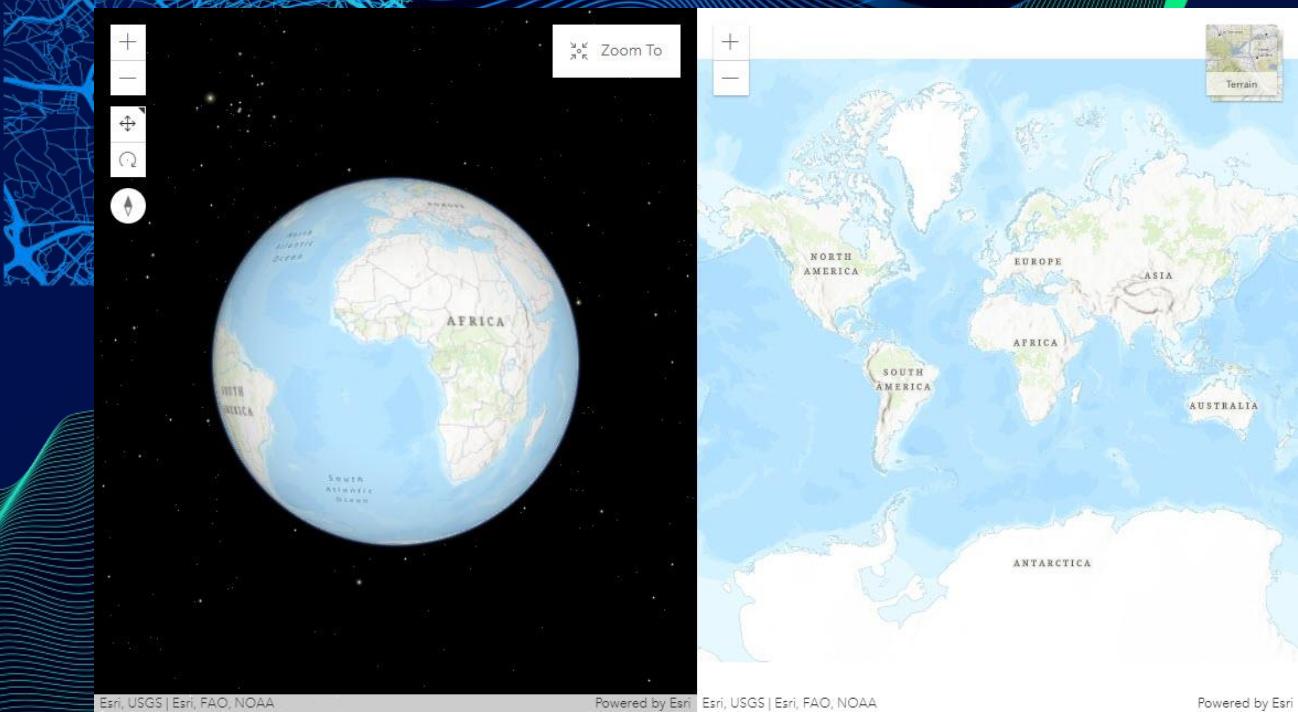
- Sets the view to given target
 - Navigate to a geometry/feature/location

```
1 view.goTo({  
2   center: [-116.538, 33.826],  
3   zoom: 16  
4 }).catch((error) => {  
5   console.error(error);  
6 });
```



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Patterns

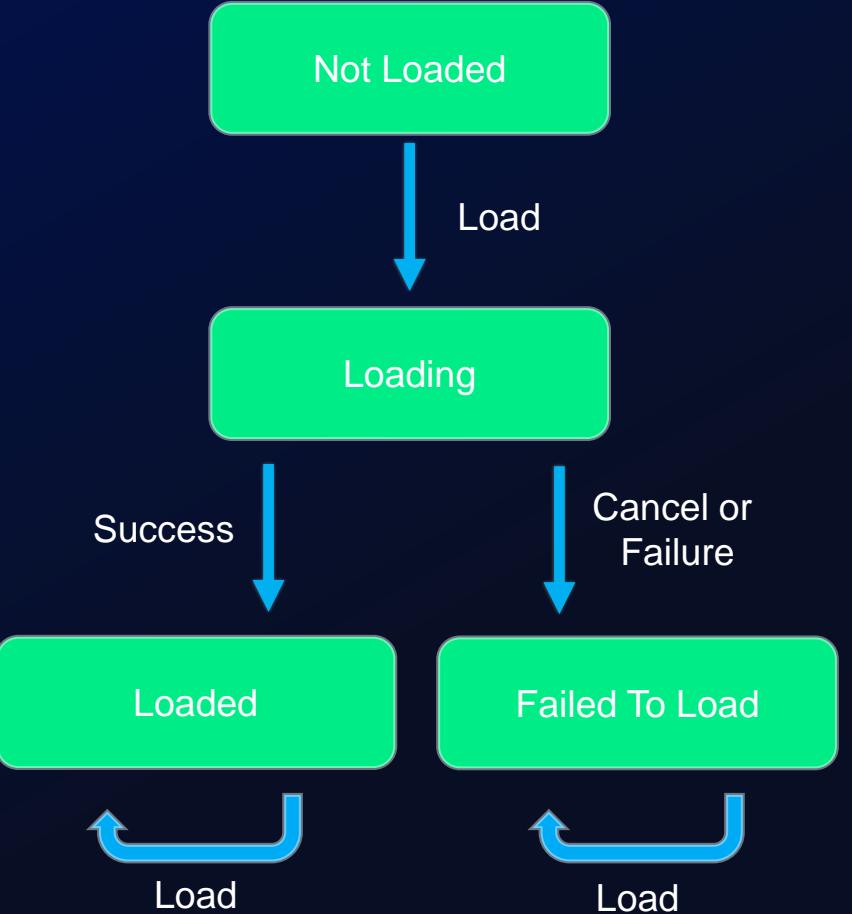
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The background of the slide features a dark blue gradient with scattered small white and light blue dots. A large, stylized green line graphic runs diagonally from the bottom left towards the top right. In the center-right area, there is a complex digital interface. It includes a map with a grid overlay, several windows showing code snippets or terminal outputs, and a large green-bordered box containing the text "live by the code".

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Loadable Patterns

- Better control
- Allows scheduling of loading resources
- View automatically loads the map and its layers



Loadables

```
1 const view = new MapView({
2   container: "viewDiv"
3 });
4
5 const portal = new Portal({
6   url: "https://myportal/"
7 });
8
9 const webmap = new WebMap({
10   portalItem: {
11     portal: portal,
12     id: "f2e9b762544945f390ca4ac3671cfa72"
13   }
14 });
15
16 webmap.load()
17   .then(() => { view.map = webmap; })
18   .catch((error) => {
19     console.error("The resource failed to load: ", error);
20   });

```



Sublayer to FeatureLayer

- Extract FeatureLayer from MapImageLayer Sublayer
 - Sublayer.createFeatureLayer()
- Utilize FeatureLayer capabilities



LayerViews

- Responsible for rendering features as graphics in view
- Allows for client-side queries, filtering, effects, etc.



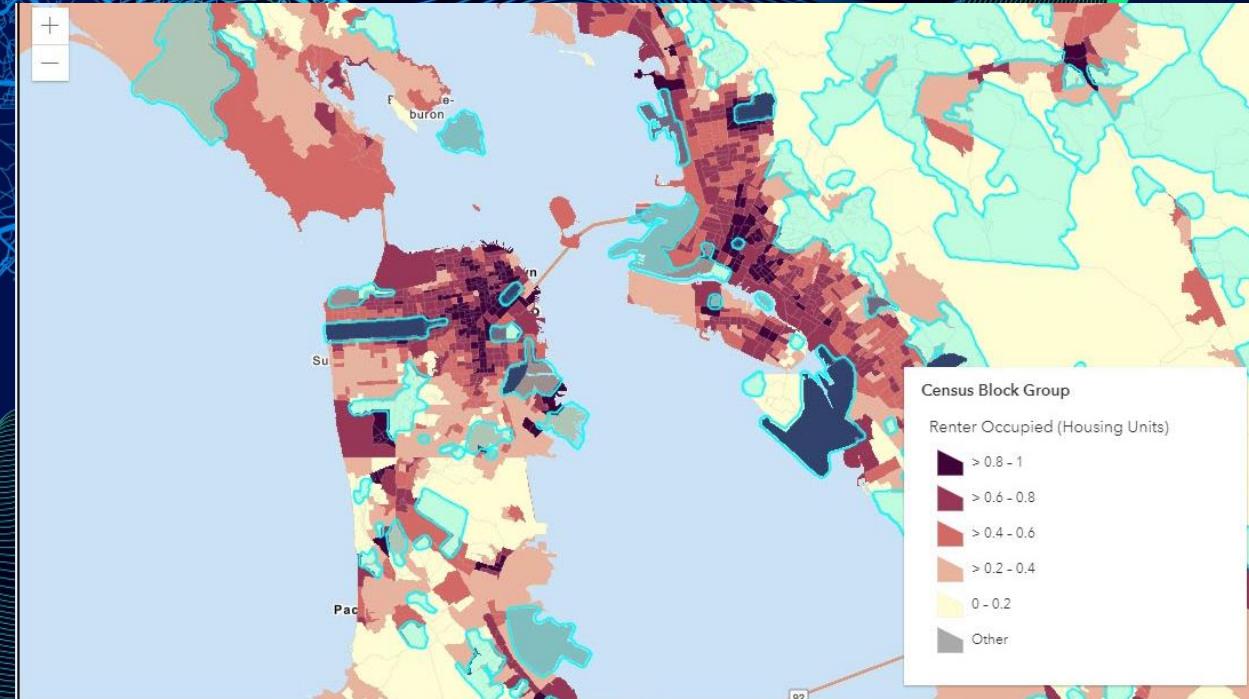
createQuery

- Using layer.createQuery()
 - Query object already has the layers filters and layer definitions
 - more consistent
- Use new Query() when you don't want predefined filters to be applied

```
1 const query = featureLayer.createQuery();
2 query.where = "Field = '1'";
3 query.returnGeometry = true;
4 featureLayer.queryFeatures(query).then((results) => {
5   // do something with the results
6   console.log(results);
7});
```

LayerViews

Demo



Rendering

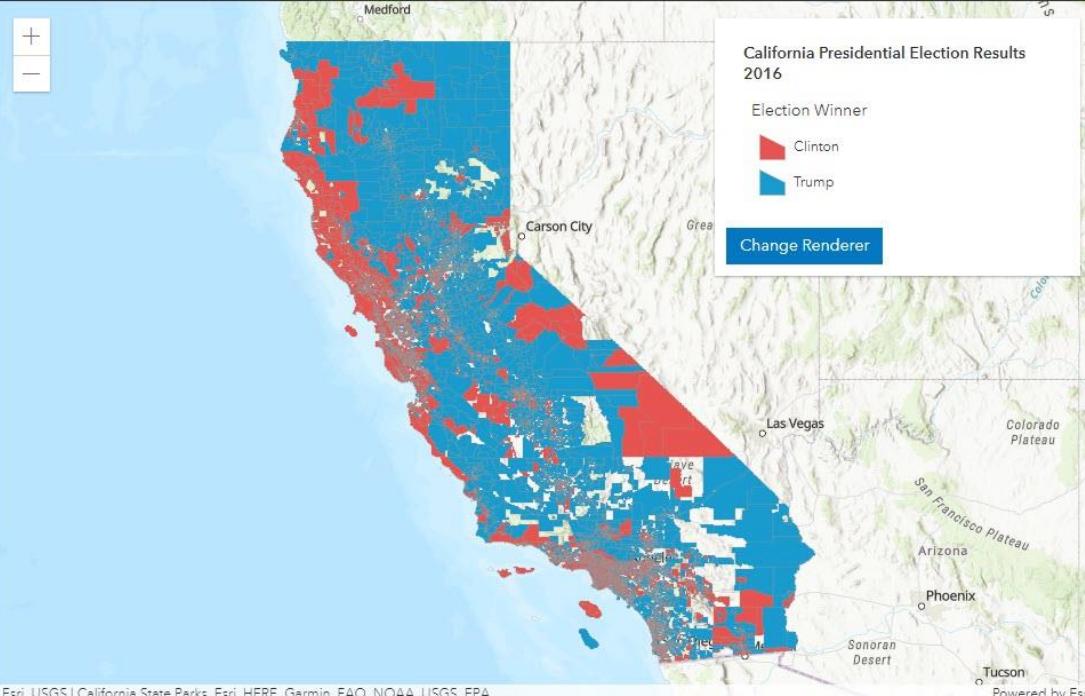
- Specifies how a layer is visualized
- Determines what information will be conveyed through the layer's symbology
- What story do you want to tell with this layer's data?

Visualization Method	Renderer Class
Location only	SimpleRenderer , HeatmapRenderer
Unique values	UniqueValueRenderer
Class breaks	ClassBreaksRenderer
Continuous color or size	SimpleRenderer or UniqueValueRenderer , with visual variables
Multivariate	SimpleRenderer or UniqueValueRenderer , with visual variables

SmartMapping API

- Easy way to generate visualizations
- Focus on:
 - One visualization method
 - Subset of attributes
 - Specific Area
- Handle data normalization
- Provide specified filters





SmartMapping

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Working with Accessor

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Accessor

- Reactive state management system used across the ArcGIS JS API.
- Inspired by other reactive libs like MobX, SolidJS, Jotai, Recoil.
- Objects are class-based and with properties which can be:
 - Read/set like in normal objects
 - Read-only / computed
 - Watched / observed
- Constructors accept property bags (POJO) and apply them automatically.
- Plain values are auto-cast to the right types when possible.



Accessor – Class definition

```
1 import Accessor from "esri/core/Accessor";
2 import { property, subclass } from "esri/core/AccessorSupport/decorators";
3 import { watch } from "esri/core/reactiveUtils";
4
5 @subclass("Person")
6 class Person extends Accessor {
7   @property()
8   firstName: string = "";
9
10  @property()
11  lastName: string = "";
12
13  @property({ readOnly: true })
14  get fullName(): string {
15    return `${this.firstName} ${this.lastName}`;
16  }
17}
18
```



Accessor – Property access

```
1 const person = new Person({ firstName: "John", lastName: "Doe" });
2 console.log(person.fullName); // Logs "John Doe";
3
4 person.firstName = "Hugo";
5 person.lastName = "Campos";
6
7 console.log(person.fullName); // Logs "Hugo Campos";
8
9 // Set multiple properties at once
10 person.set({
11   firstName: "Bruce",
12   lastName: "Wayne"
13 });
14
15 console.log(person.fullName); // Logs "Bruce Wayne"
16
```



Accessor – Reacting to changes

```
1 const person = new Person({ firstName: "John", lastName: "Doe" });
2
3 watch(
4   () => person.fullName,
5   (fullName) => console.log(`Hello ${fullName}`),
6   { sync: true }
7 );
8
9 person.firstName = "Hugo"; // Logs "Hello Hugo Doe"
10 person.lastName = "Campos"; // Logs "Hello Hugo Campos"
11
```



Accessor – Reacting to changes

```
1 // Reacting when a property changes.  
2 reactiveUtils.watch(  
3   () => view.map.basemap.title,  
4   (newValue, oldValue) => console.log(`old: ${oldValue}, new: ${newValue}`)  
5 );  
6  
7 // Call the callback initially as well as on any changes.  
8 reactiveUtils.watch(  
9   () => view.map.basemap.title,  
10  (newValue) => console.log(`basemap title: ${oldValue}`),  
11  { initial: true }  
12 );  
13  
14 // React when an expression becomes truthy.  
15 reactiveUtils.when(  
16   () => view.scale > 1000,  
17   () => console.log("Scale is greater than 1000")  
18 )  
19
```



Accessor – Reacting to changes

```
1 // React to multiple properties. Can react to any expression!
2 reactiveUtils.watch(
3   () => [view.stationary, view.scale],
4   ({ stationary, scale }) => {
5     console.log(`view is ${stationary} and scale is ${scale}`);
6   }
7 )
8
9 // We support collections too.
10 reactiveUtils.watch(
11   () => view.layers.map((layer) => layer.title),
12   (titles) => console.log(`Layer titles changed! New titles: ${titles}`))
13 )
14
15 // In Typescript, callback types are automatically inferred.
16 reactiveUtils.watch(() => view.layers, (titles) => {
17   // titles inferred as Collection<Layer>
18 })
19
```



Promises

- Asynchronous methods return native Promises

```
1 layer.queryFeatures(query)
2   .then(handleResult)
3   .catch(handleError);
4
5 // Or with async/await
6 const doQuery = async (query) => {
7   const results = await layer.queryFeatures(query);
8   const transformedResults = results.map(transformData);
9   return transformedResults;
10 }
11
```



Promises

- Asynchronously initialized Layer, WebMap, WebScene, View

```
1 const map = new Map({...})  
2  
3 view = new SceneView({  
4   map: map,  
5   //...  
6 });  
7  
8 view.when(() => {  
9   // the view is ready to go  
10});  
11
```



Promises – multiple async operations

```
1 try {
2   // Wait for the view to be ready/loaded.
3   await view.when();
4
5   // Get the layer view.
6   const layerView = await view.whenLayerView(map.findLayerById("awesomeLayer"));
7
8   // Layer is fully rendered and ready to be queried.
9   await reactiveUtils.whenOnce(() => !layerView.updating);
10
11  // Query features on the client.
12  const features = await layerView.queryFeatures(/* ... */);
13
14  doSomethingWithFeatures(features);
15 } catch (e) {
16   // Handle errors
17 }
18
```



Promises – async module loading

```
1 async function loadMap(id: string): Promise<WebMap> {
2   const { default: WebMap } = await import('@arcgis/core/WebMap')
3   return new WebMap({ portalItem: { id } })
4 }
5
```



Promises – cancellation

```
1 let abortController: AbortController = null;
2
3 view.on('click', (screenPoint: { x: number, y: number }) => {
4   // Cancel previous operation, if any is pending.
5   abortController?.abort();
6   abortController = new AbortController();
7   const { signal } = abortController;
8
9   try {
10     const response = await view.hitTest(screenPoint);
11     throwIfAborted(signal); // Another click happened, so don't go any further.
12
13   // Pass signal to async operation, which can look at it in order to stop any async work.
14   doSomethingAsyncWithGraphic(response.results[0].graphic, signal);
15   throwIfAborted(signal);
16 } catch (e) {
17   throwIfNotAbortError(e); // Only throw for unexpected errors
18 }
19 })
```

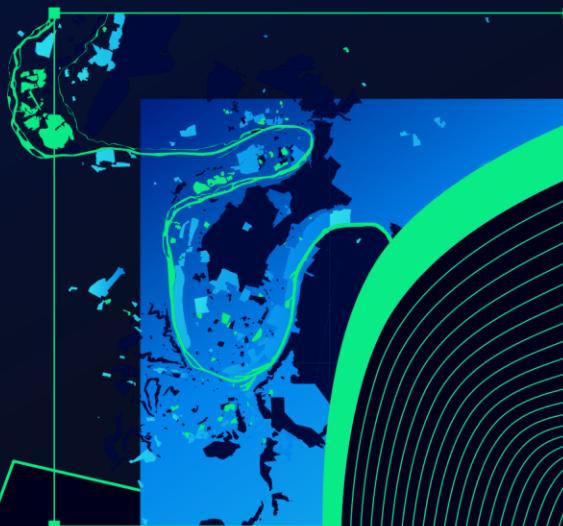
```
1 function throwIfAborted(signal: AbortSignal): void {
2   if (signal.aborted) {
3     throw new Error("AbortError");
4   }
5 }
6
7 function throwIfNotAbortError(error: Error): void {
8   if (error?.message !== "AbortError") {
9     throw error;
10 }
11 }
```

Widgets

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Widgets

- Professionally Designed and tested building blocks
- Responsive, Accessible, and Localized
- Out of the box, built for maps-based applications
- Implements Calcite-Components and Design



Widgets

- All follow a similar pattern



```
const widget = new SomeWidget({  
  view,  
  ...otherOptions  
})
```

Widgets

ViewModels



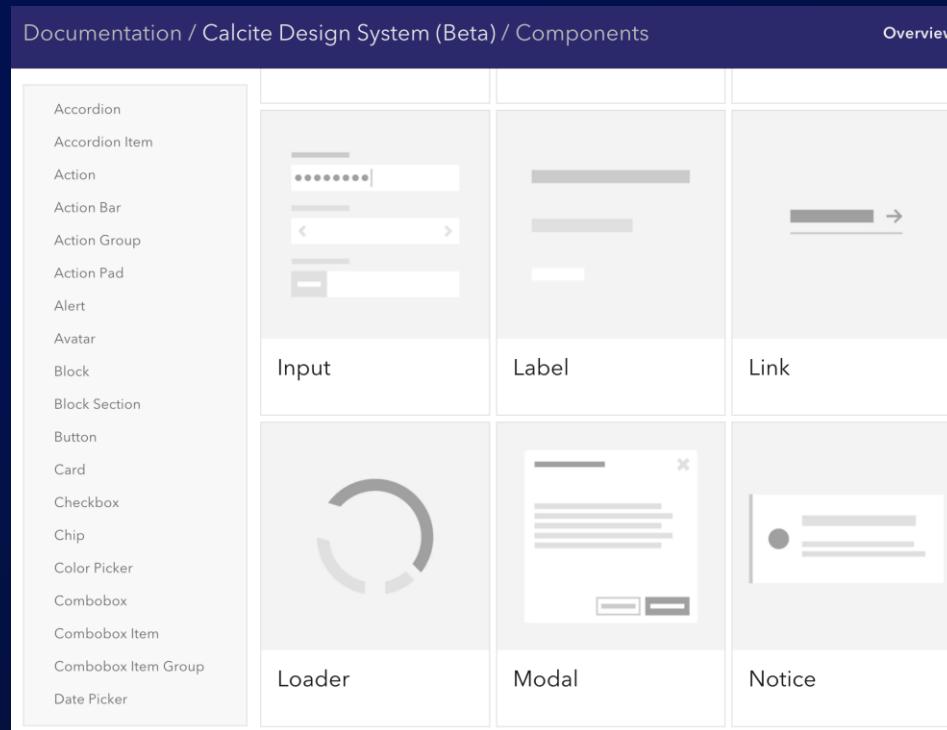
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Integrates Calcite Components



The screenshot shows the Calcite Design System Components page. On the left, a sidebar lists components: Accordion, Accordion Item, Action, Action Bar, Action Group, Action Pad, Alert, Avatar, Block, Block Section, Button, Card, Checkbox, Chip, Color Picker, Combobox, Combobox Item, Combobox Item Group, Date Picker, Input, Label, Link, Loader, Modal, and Notice. The main area displays cards for each component, showing their visual representation.

Report Incidents

Was this helpful? Yes No

- Select template from the list
- Click on the map to create a new feature
- Update associated attribute data
- Click *Update Incident Info*

Filter types

Incidents Report - Incidents

- Dead animal
- Graffiti
- Manhole cover

Sketch settings

Enable snapping

Geometry guides

Feature to feature

Snapping layers

Untitled layer

TYPE: Date Palm
SIZE: 8

1

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Update Delete

Widgets

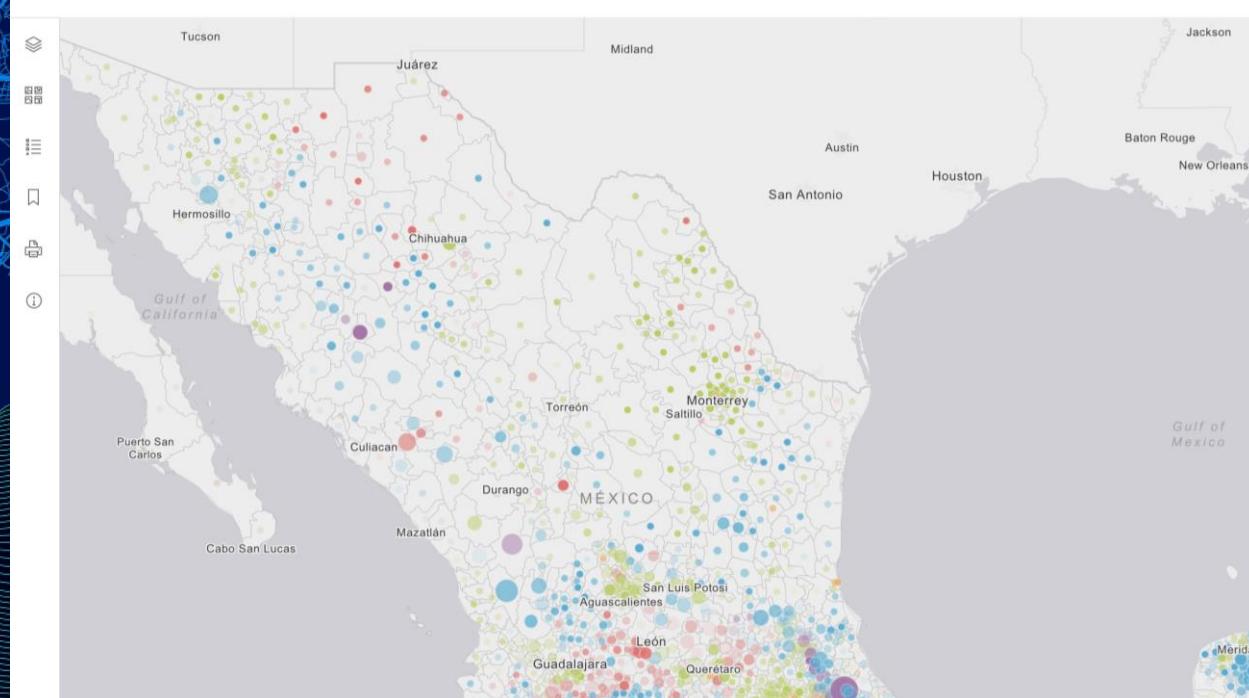
Calcite Components

- Widgets built with Web Components
- Design System available for you
- Provides consistent user experience



Calcite Components

Creating a mapping app



Widgets

Elevation Profile

- Works in 2D and 3D
- Supports multiple profiles
- Seriously, this type of work was a full day task 15 years ago





Elevation Profile

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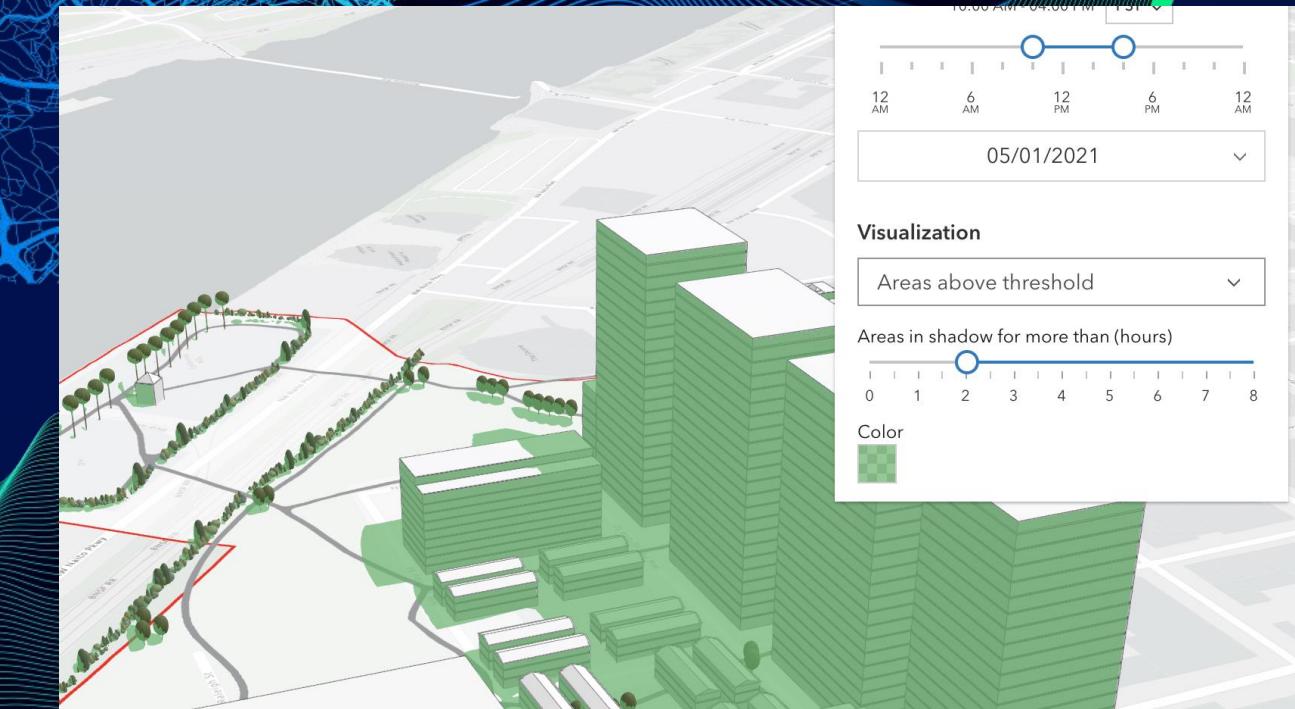
Shadow Cast

- Display shadows by day and time
- Combine with the Daylight widget
- Great for construction/redevelopment scenarios



ShadowCast

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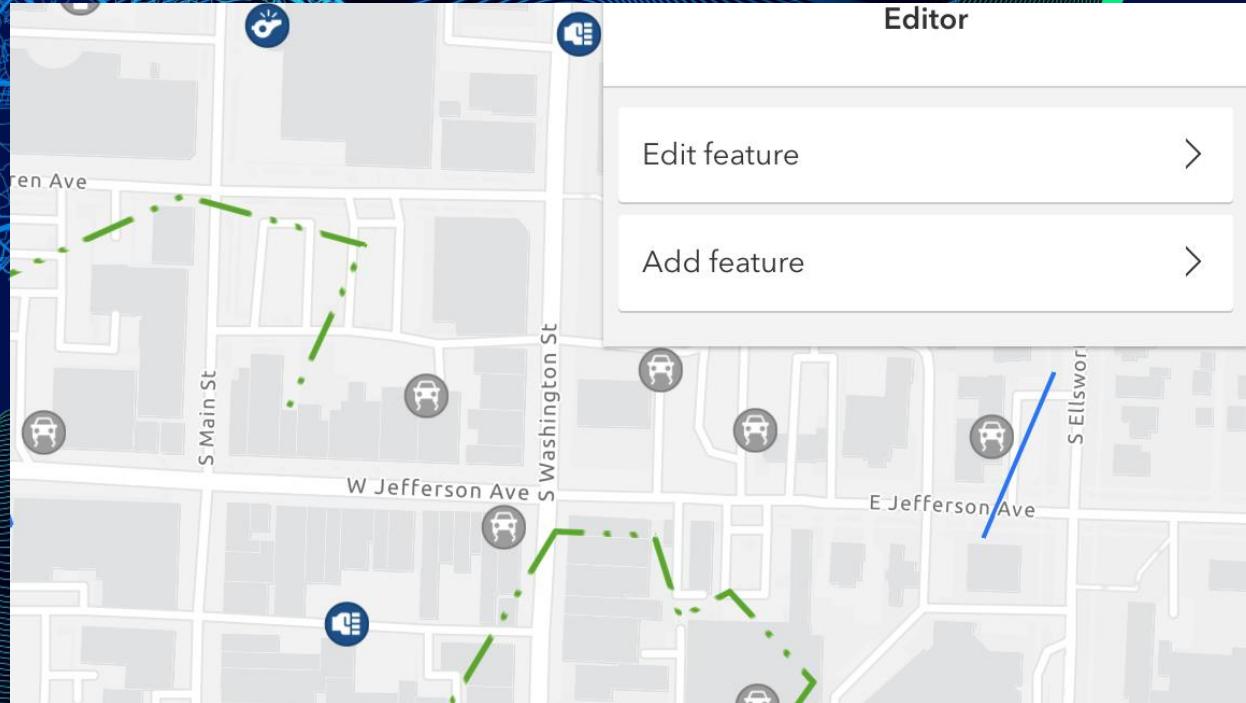
Editing

- Supported in 2D and 3D
- Snapping support
- Custom workflows
- Supported in FeatureTable



Editor

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View Models

Using Custom Views

- Using View Model methods
- View UI and Interactivity
- MapView and SceneView





Panama Map

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Where can I learn more?

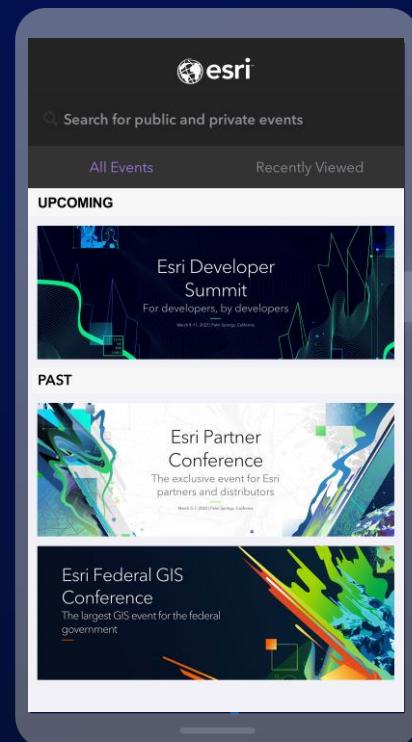
Resources

- [SDK Documentation](#)
- [Programming Patterns Guide](#)
- [Calcite Components](#)
- [Esri Blogs](#)

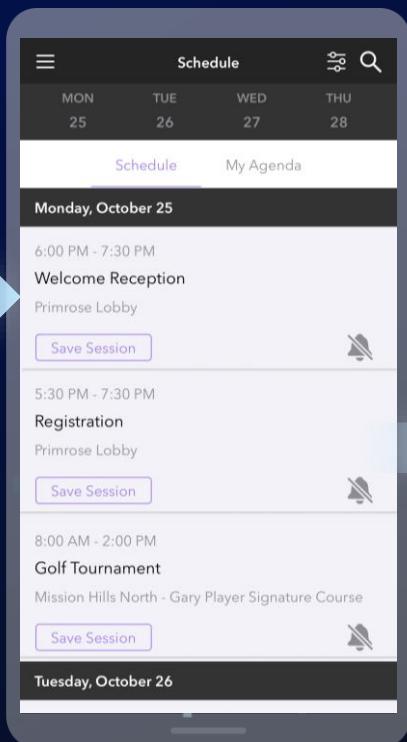


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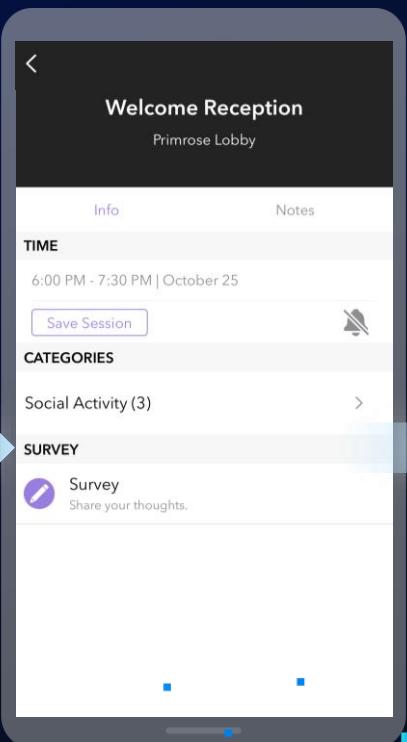
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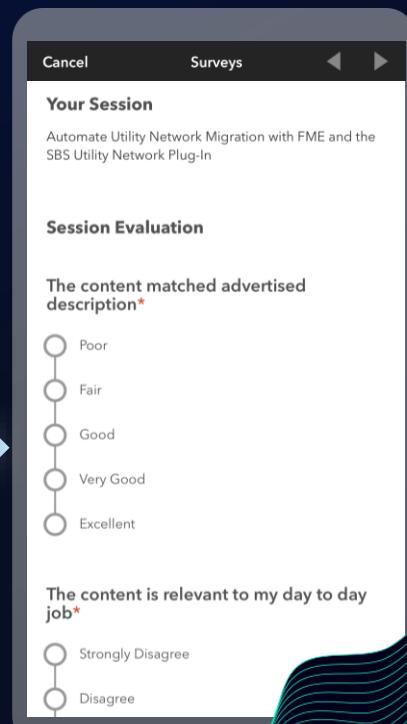
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