







React and Node workshop

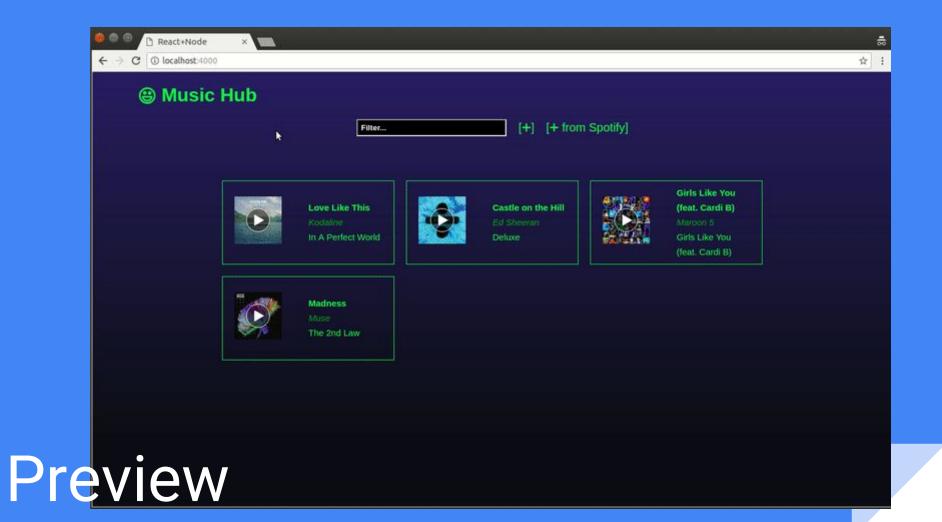
Making a full-stack web app with Spotify API 💰 🖳











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you

- You have an interest in web dev
- You may have heard of React,
 Node and curious about it
- You have some knowledge (or interest) in HTML, CSS, JS, web stuff





What is this about?

Full-stack web app development with:

- React: UI (frontend) JS framework
- Node: server (backend) JS framework
- Important JS stuff for web app dev

We will discuss passively:

- Webpack
- Npm
- ES6

Depending on time, we may not touch on:

- CSS
- Advanced JS stuff





We need:

For Windows users:
Check out this doc if having problems with Node,
npm installation

- 1. WiFi! **%**
- 2. Join the Slack reactnodeworkshop https://goo.gl/buZF71
- 3. Install Git and Sign up to Github (if you don't have one yet)
 - You'll need this to fork the Github Repo
- 4. Install Chrome/Firefox
- 5. Code editor & terminal pick your favorite
 - o I use **VSCode**, which has multi terminals built-in
- 6. Install node install latest LTS version
 - Download and install from https://nodejs.org/en/download/
 - To test: https://nodejs.org/en/docs/guides/getting-started-guide/
- 7. Install mongodb (we will use mLab but local DB is good to have)
 - Follow https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/installation/
- 8. Check out the cheat sheet https://goo.gl/m8i2gc for some quick info









Git setup

- 1. Log-in to github
- 2. Go to https://github.com/lenmorld/rnw
- 3. In github, fork branch Y Fork 1
 - You'll be asked to login to your github account
- 4. On local terminal, clone the repo
 - \$ git clone https://github.com/<username>/rnw.git or use SSH if you'd like
- 5. Checkout dev branch (which should be an empty slate)
 - \$ cd rnw
 - \$ git checkout dev
- 6. Open code editor with **rnw** as the root directory
- 7. We're ready!



If needed: exploring workshop code

- 1. Each chapter/step is numbered, corresponding to a github branch

3. Checkout code at any step, e.g:

- 4. Try your best to catch up. Material could go fast
- 5. Code is all yours after (MIT License)

Have these links open in your browser (or handy)! Also in Slack #resources

- **RNW compare** branches: e.g.
 - https://github.com/<username>/rnw/compare/c3.3...c3.4
- RNW files: https://github.com/lenmorld/rnw_files/
 - Supplementary files to make our coding faster
- Slack better to have Desktop client
- Codesandbox testing/understanding a piece of code separate from app: https://codesandbox.io/u/lenmorld/sandboxes
- Cheat sheet https://goo.gl/m8i2gc

SORRY! Resources overload!

Node Basics

c1.0 Hello World console.log()

Execute node server.js

```
$ node server.js
>> Hello World!
```

Sample directory structure:

```
react_node_workshop/
    server.js
    README.md
...
```



c1.1 - Hello World! server

```
# to run server
$ node server.js
>> Starting server at 4000
# CRTL+C to stop server
```

```
// server.js
                                                                                                  1 localhost ×
var http = require('http');
                                                                                                   (i) localhost:4000
var port = 4000;
                                                                                       Hello World
var server = http.createServer(function (req, res) {    // Callback function
   res.writeHead(200, { "Content-Type": "text/plain" });
   res.end("Hello World\n");
});
server.listen(port, function () { // Callback function
   console.log("Starting server at " + port);
});
```

C1.2 - Hello World - JSON

```
NODE
                                                                                          localhost:4000 ×
// server.js
                                                                                           (i) localhost:4000
                                                                                                                     公
var http = require('http');
                                                                               {"id":12345, "favorite":false, "title": "Hello
var port = 4000;
                                                                               World", "artist": "Node
                                                                               programmer", "album": "Node EP"}
var server = http.createServer(function (req, res) { // Callback function
  res.writeHead(200, { "Content-Type": "application/json" });
  var song = {
      id: 12345,
      favorite: false,
      title: "Hello World",
      artist: "Node programmer",
                                                                                    # to restart server
       album: "Node EP"
                                                                                    # CRTL+C to stop server
   };
                                                                                    $ node server.js
                                                                                    >> Starting server at 4000
  res.end(JSON.stringify(song));
});
server.listen(port, function () { // Callback function
  console.log("Starting server at " + port);
});
```

C1.3 - Hello World - HTML

```
localhost:4000 ×

← → C ① localhost:4000

Hello World
```

```
var http = require('http');
var port = 4000;
var server = http.createServer(function (req, res) { // Callback function
   res.writeHead(200, { "Content-Type": "text/html" });
   res.end("<h1>Hello World</h1>");
});
server.listen(port, function () { // Callback function
   console.log("Starting server at " + port);
});
```

```
# to restart server
# CRTL+C to stop server
$ node server.js
>> Starting server at 4000
```

c1.4 - Using express middleware

Express simplifies web server stuff in Node But first, to install any package (dependency, library) in Node, we need **npm**

```
$ npm init
# Leave defaults; press Enter
until it finishes
$ npm install express
```

Examine *package.json*

- installed dependency: express
- Npm scripts

```
EXPLORER
                                 {} package.ison ×
     DOPEN EDITORS
                                          "name": "rnw",

■ RNW1 (WORKSPACE)

                                          "version": "1.0.0",
        rnw
        ▶ node_modules
                                          "main": "server.js",
       {} package-lock.ison
                                           "scripts": {
       {} package.ison
                                            "test": "echo \"Error: no test specified\" && exit 1",

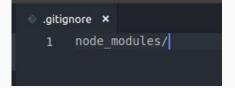
 README.md

                                            "start": "node server.js"
       JS server.js
"url": "git+https://github.com/lenmorld/rnw.git"
                                          "license": "ISC",
                                          "bugs": {
                                          "url": "https://github.com/lenmorld/rnw/issues"
                                          "homepage": "https://github.com/lenmorld/rnw#readme",
                                            "express": "^4.16.3"
```

Sidenote: Npm, package.json, node_modules

Node_modules contains all the packages locally

add to .gitignore !!!

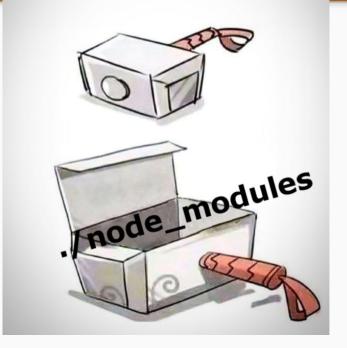


Directory structure:

```
react_node_workshop/
    .gitignore
    node_modules/
    server.js
    package.json
    package-lock.json
```

*include **package-lock.json** in the files you check in to git This is useful in *semvar*

The secret behind Thor's hammer



c1.5 - Using *express* middleware

Now we can serve **index.html** using Express

```
Directory structure:

react_node_workshop/
server.js
index.html
...
```

```
// server.js
var http = require('http');
var express = require('express'); // import express
var server = express();
var port = 4000;
server.get("/", function(req, res) {
   res.sendFile( dirname + '/index.html');
});
server.get("/json", function(req, res) {
   res.send((JSON.stringify({ name: "Lenny" })));
});
```

Create *index.html* in project root

c1.5 Running server and testing

Since we have npm now,

Instead of *node server.js*, we can do this to run server

```
# to restart server
# CRTL+C to stop server
$ npm start
```

To test:



```
# in another terminal tab/window
$ curl localhost:4000/json
>> {"name":"Lenny"}
```

c1.6 auto restart server.js on changes

```
# install nodemon globally, sudo might be needed
$ npm install -g nodemon

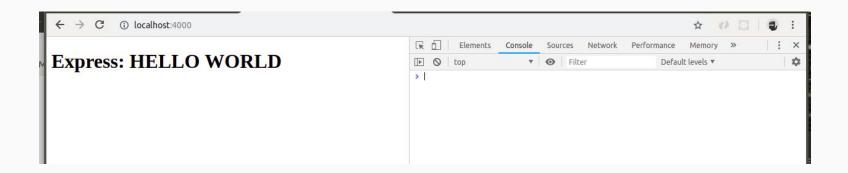
# in package.json, change start script to
# nodemon server.js

$ npm start
```

```
// package.json
...
"scripts": {
    "test": "...,
    "start": "nodemon server.js"
}
...
```



Browser dev tools



Watch out for errors in Console tab

React and webpack setup

c2.1 Install webpack and react deps

- Create file webpack.config.js, from template
 - Copy from RNW files: webpack.config.js
 - Quick walkthrough of webpack
- Install webpack and other needed plugins

```
$ npm install --save-dev webpack webpack-cli babel-cli @babel/core @babel/preset-react
babel-loader style-loader css-loader babel-preset-env
$ npm install react react-dom
```

Add a dev entry in npm scripts

```
// package.json
...
"scripts": {
    ...
"dev": "webpack --watch"
}
```

c2.1 React root file at app/index.jsx

- Create folder app/ and inside it, create file index.jsx
 - o app/ folder will hold all of the front-end code

Directory structure after: react_node_workshop/ ... webpack.config.js app/ index.jsx

running npm and webpack together

1st terminal tab/window - BACKEND

```
# to restart server
# CRTL+C to stop server
$ npm start
```

2nd terminal tab/window - FRONTEND

```
# to start webpack in watch mode
$ npm run dev
```

3rd terminal tab/window also useful for git, cURL, npm install, etc

```
# other stuff
$ curl http://localhost:4000
```

c2.2 React setup

```
// server.js
...
server.use(express.static('public'));
server.get("/", function(req, res) {
...
```

- In server.js, serve public/ dir
- Write React code in app/index.jsx

```
// app/index.jsx
import React from 'react';
import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
class App extends React.Component {
  render() {
    return (
      <div>React: Hello World!</div>
ReactDOM.render(<App />, document.getElementById('app'));
```

c2.2 React setup

- Include React app in index.html
- We can also comment out the other HTML in the page for now

```
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React: Hello World!
                                               Elements
                                                           Console
                                                                      Sources
                                                                                  Netwo
                                    <html lang="en">
                                     ▶ <head>...</head>
                                     ▼<body>
                                        <!--h1>Express: HELLO WORLD</h1-->
                                       ▼<div id="app">
                                          <div>React: Hello World!</div> == $0
                                        </div>
                                        <script src="./bundle.js"></script>
                                      </body>
                                     </html>
```

C2.3 CSS files setup

```
Directory structure after:

react_node_workshop/
...
public/
styles.css
bundles.js
...
```

1. create css file inside public public/styles.css

Copy styles from this link: https://github.com/lenmorld/rnw_files/blob/master/styles.css

- 2. Set viewport for better responsive mobile viewing
- 3. include styles file from HTML head

```
<!-- index.html -->
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>
    <meta content="width=device-width,"
initial-scale=1" name="viewport" />
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="./styles.css" />
    <title>React+Node</title>
  </head>
  <body>
</html>
```

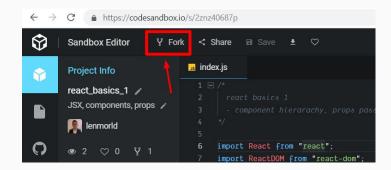
React Basics

5 minute React Intro

Codesandbox: react_basics_1

https://codesandbox.io/s/2znz40687p

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Frontend Design

What are we building?

Music playlist web app, where user can "CRUD" songs

What components do we need?

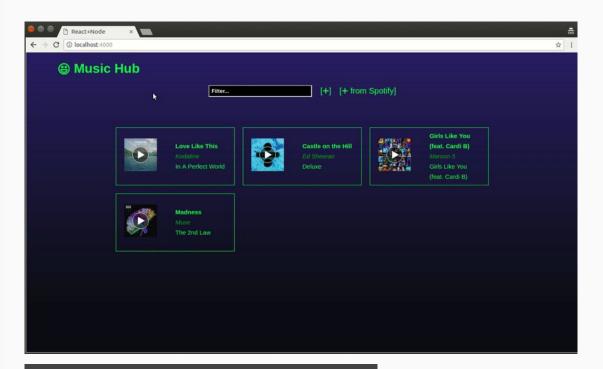
App (index.jsx) - loads React tree into DOM

UlManager.jsx - manages entire app, provides
access to data (e.g. facade, API)

Header.jsx - HTML header

List.jsx - contain/manage the list of items

Item.jsx - display/manage an item



```
Component tree
App
UIManager
Header
List
Item
...
```

c3.1 Spotify Data

- Create file app/data.js
 - Copy from RNW files: <u>data.js</u>
- List and Item data objects (model)
 - Maps to List and Item React components

```
// app/data.js
var data = {
  "list": [
      "id": "0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA"
      "artist": "Muse",
      "title": "Madness",
      "album": "The 2nd Law",
    },
      "id": "2QAHN4C4M8D8E8eiQvQW6a"
      "artist": "One Republic",
      "title": "I Lived",
      "album": "Native",
    },
export default data;
```

c3.2 UlManager.jsx

- Create a new file app/UIManager.jsx
- Import and render UlManager component inside App component

```
// app/Manager.jsx
import React from 'react';
import data from './data';
console.log(data);
class UIManager extends React.Component {
  render() {
       return(
           <div>List goes here...</div>
       );
export default UIManager;
```

c3.3 Header.jsx

- Create a new file app/Header.jsx
 - Copy from RNW files <u>Header.jsx</u>
- Import and render Header component inside UIManager component
 - ** Notice that we have to enclose return

 JSX in a <div> **



Different ways to style your components:

 Regular CSS stylesheets (we're using this), inline (used only in Header.jsx), etc

c3.4 List.jsx and Item.jsx

- Create new files
 - app/
 - List.jsx
 - Item.jsx
- Import and render **List** in **UIManager**
- Import and render Item in List

```
Component tree
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```

State

What and why?

State is where data lives. Any change of data in state results to a re-render. This is the reason why we use React.

How?

- Include constructor() and define this.state inside
 - State is initialized when an instance of this component is created
- To read data, use this.state.<obj>
- Only the component has access to its state, but it can pass props downwards for child components to render or modify the data

Props

What and why?

Props is a data object passed from a parent component to a child component.

How?

- Props can only be passed downwards: parent \rightarrow child
 - One hierarchy at a time: cannot pass grandparent to child without passing parent
- Functions can also be passed (discussed later) as function props

State and Props analogy

- Parent and Child

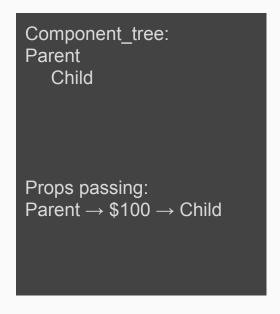


Codesandbox: state_props_analogy_1

https://codesandbox.io/s/xp7zv30934

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c3.5 Add state to UlManager, pass list object as props to List

```
// app/UIManager.jsx
class UIManager extends React.Component {
 constructor() {
   super();
  this.state = {
    list: data.list
  };
render() {
       <List list={this.state.list} />
```

```
// app/List.jsx
  render() {
      var list = this.props.list;
      console.log(list);
      return(
           <div>
               <Item />
           </div>
```

c3.6 Using map() to render list

```
app/List.jsx
    return(
        <div>
                 list.map(function(item) {
                     return (
                         <Item
                             item={item}
                             key={item.id}
                          />
                     );
                })
        </div>
```

Map, filter, reduce

Codesandbox: map_filter_reduce

https://codesandbox.io/s/4z684jjzxw

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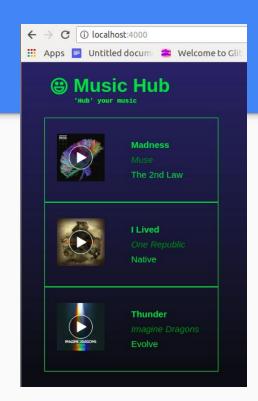
c3.7 rendering Item

```
*** Item can be called a dumb / pure presentation component
```

Since it's only job is to render the item object into JSX / HTML elements

```
{item.title}, {item.artist},
{item.album}
```

Dumb components can be transformed into a stateless/functional component



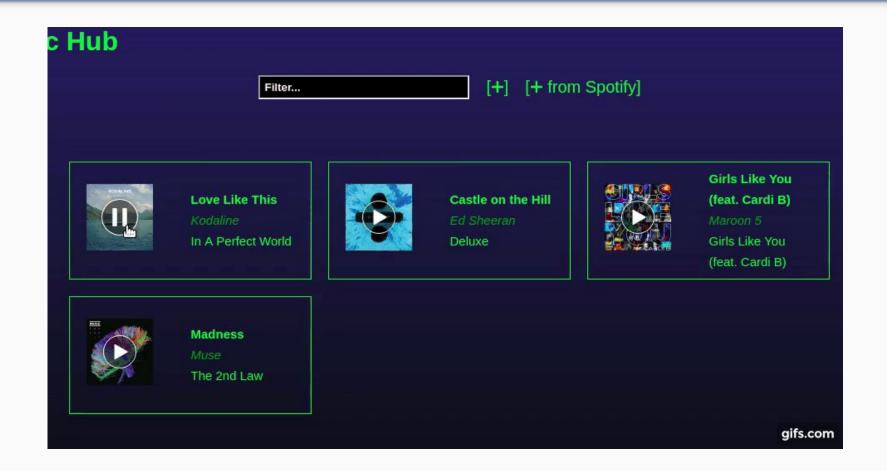
c3.8 List CSS

```
app/List.jsx
        <div className="items_grid">
                list.map(function(item) {
```

Apply items_grid class to List main div

React CRUD

Searching



Events and event handlers

TL; DR - HTML elements, esp. inputs generate events, which is processed by an event handler function

HTML elements (e.g. inputs, buttons) generate events (onClick, onChange, etc), which is processed by an **event handler** function. This is where we can define what to do with the event

Codesandbox: js_event_handler

https://codesandbox.io/s/l2mw8wrj5z





c4.1 search input and onChange event handler

```
app/UIManager.jsx
searchList(event) {
    var search term = event.target.value;
    console.log(search term);
                                                              *event parameter is automatically
render() {
                                                              passed here as the default argument of a
    return(
                                                              HTML element
         <div>
             <Header />
             <div className="options">
                  <input type="text"</pre>
                         placeholder="Filter..."
                         onChange={this.searchList} />
             </div>
                                                               React+Node
             <List list={this.state.list}/>
                                                                      (i) localhost:4000
         </div>
                                                                                               Elements Console
    );
                                                                   Music Hub
                                                                                                         JIManager.jsx:24
                                                                                                         UIManager.jsx:24
```

c4.2 modifying state

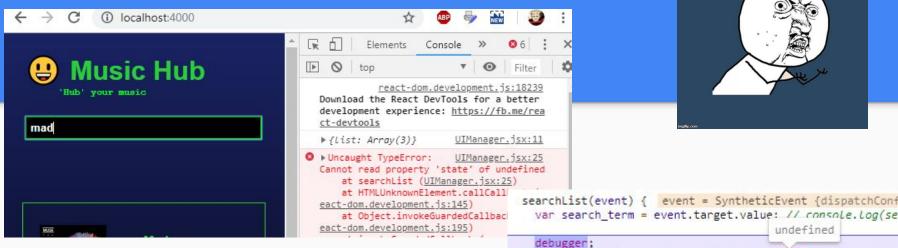
For us to filter the list based on current input:

- We have to track user's input by putting it in state
 - this.state.search_term
- To modify state, we use **setState()**
 - Never do this.state.obj = new_obj
 - Why? Setting state must be async



```
class UIManager extends React.Component {
   constructor() {
       super();
       this.state =
           search term: '',
           list: data.list
   searchList(event) {
       var search term = event.target.value;
       console.log("current search term: ", this.state.search term);
       this.setState({
           search term: search term
```

But we're getting an error!





console.log("current search term: ", this.state.search

this.setState({

undefined

- Cannot read 'state' of undefined! why?
- 'This' is undefined inside the event handler
- We don't have access to this.state, this.setState
- We need to bind the function to the object instance, to make sure **this** is defined inside a nested function (i.e. a function inside a function)

c4.3 using state inside event handler

Alternatives:

- Bind in constructor (better performance)
- Class properties (need ES6 stage 3 features enabled)

Codesandbox: react_basics_3 https://codesandbox.io/s/3x3z1rm365
Explore the issue and solutions here



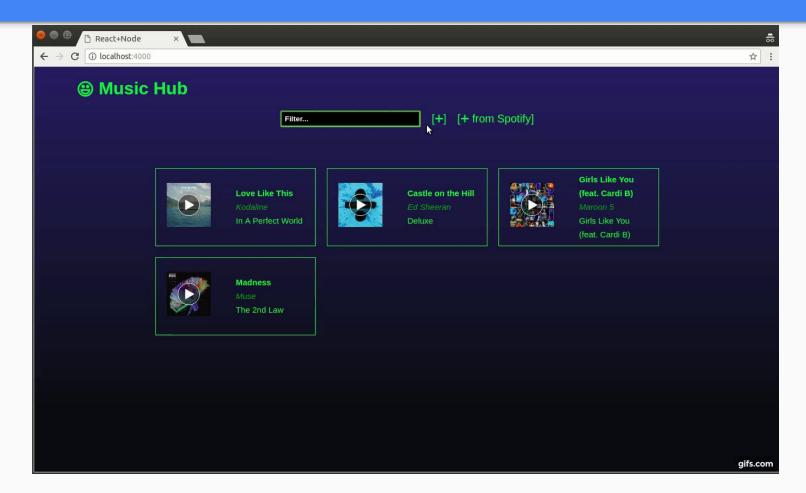
c4.4 filtering list based on state.search_term

- 1. Create temp variables for this.state.list, this.state.search_term
- 2. If search_term empty, return full list
- Else -> filter(): go through each item, and include in list if item's title in lowercase matches the search_term in lowercase

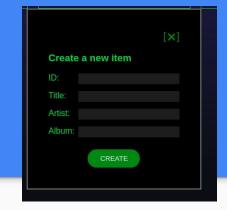
This is a rather expensive way of doing this, i.e. each character typed -> full re-render of App A nice fix is discussed later



Create / Add new Item







We'll create a component that has an HTML form for creating, editing an item

- Create new file app/ItemForm.jsx
 - Copy from RNW files ItemForm.jsx

In **UIManager**

- add this.state.form_fields initializing item fields to empty string
- Import and render ItemForm same level as List
 - And pass this.state.form_fields as props





Remember that **Child** component cannot modify **Parent** state directly.

However, **Parent** can pass a function to **Child** that it can call whenever it wants to change Parent's state. e.g:

In Parent render():

```
<Child earnMoney={ (money) => this.increaseMoney(money) }>
In Child render():
```

<button onClick={() => this.props.earnMoney(100)}>

Codesandbox: **state_props_analogy_2** https://codesandbox.io/s/6jormxo65n



c4.6 events and event handlers

In **UlManager.jsx**

- Define onChangeFormInput()
 - a. Pass this to **ItemForm** as a **function prop**

ItemForm.jsx - define these event and event handlers

- 1. When changing any of the 4 inputs
 - a. on Change \rightarrow invoke this.props.on Change Form Input (event) function prop, passing the event
- 2. When hiding the form ([X])
 - a. on Click \rightarrow this.hideForm
- 3. When submitting form (CREATE)
 - a. onClick \rightarrow this.onSubmitForm(event)

c4.7 onChangeFormInput

Whenever user types into either ID, artist, title, album field:

1. From **ItemForm.jsx**, we are forwarding the event to **UIManager.jsx**, using function prop *onChangeFormInput*

In UIManager.jsx onChangeFormInput()

- 1. Copy values of this.state.fields (don't copy reference!) use Object.assign
- 2. Modify state copy depending on which input was changed

```
// e.g. current_list_fields['artist'] = 'Artist1'
current_list_fields[event.target.name] = event.target.value;
```

3. Apply changes to state using this.setState

Now we are successfully tracking the input values in state

c4.8 createItem()

In **UIManage**r

- define createItem()
 - 1. Get Item data from state
 - 2. Copy List values (not reference), using ES6 spread operator
 - 3. Add new item to copy
 - 4. Apply changes to state using *this.setState*
 - 5. Empty form fields
- Pass as function props to ItemForm

In **ItemForm**, on **onSubmitForm()** event handler

1. Forward request to function props

c4.9 show and hide ItemForm

```
UlManager:

Add [+] button beside search box, add onClick and set to showForm()
showForm()
Invoke when clicking [+] -> set style to 'block'

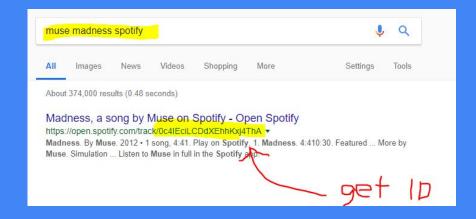
ItemForm:
Set CSS class to "modal"
hideForm()
Invoke when clicking [X] on modal -> set style to 'hidden'
Optional: invoke after adding a new item
```

TEST IT!

Add a song or two to your playlist (Not a lot since it will be gone on page refresh!)

- Google "<Artist> <song> spotify"
- Get the ID in track/ID
- Use ID to Create new Item





Delete and Update item











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c4.11 Delete and Edit electric states and

```
<Ul>
    <UlManager>
        <List>
        <ltem>
        <ltem>

            <ld>Props passing:</ld>

    <UlManager> -- deleteItem() ---> <List> -- deleteItem() ---> <Item>
            editItem()

            editItem()
```

Delete and Update button icons will be inside **Item** as icons that appear on hover

- 1. **UlManager.jsx** define *deleteItem* and *editItem* and pass down to List as function props
- 2. **List.jsx** pass function props down to Item as a middleman
- Item.jsx invoke function props with required parameter on onClick event handler

NOTE: the use of arrow functions to be able to use **this**



c4.12 deleteltem() method

- 1. Copy list values, not reference
- 2. Filter copy using *filter()*, by excluding item to delete
- 3. setState()

NOTE: notice the current pattern in CRUD methods

1) Copy list 2) do operation on copy 3) setState

c4.13 editItem() - form mode



When user clicks edit, we have to show ItemForm, but let it know that we want to EDIT, not CREATE. We do this by adding a **mode** in state, and passing the item to be edited so the form fields would be populated.

UIManager.jsx

- add this.state.form mode, init to 'CREATE'
- pass to ItemForm as props, alias mode
 - This is to show props is just a name

```
<ItemForm ....
mode={this.state.form_mode} />
```

ItemForm.jsx

- use **this.props.mode** to set labels correctly



c4.14 editItem() - show ItemForm on edit mode

UIManager must get correct item to be edited, before passing to ItemForm

In editItem()

- 1. Copy list values, not reference
- 2. Filter copy using filter(), get the one matching item
- 3. setState() set mode to 'EDIT', set form_fields to the item
- 4. Show **ItemForm**

Now, we are getting the item values in the form fields

c4.15 editItem() - saveUpdatedItem



When form is saved, we need a CRUD method that will apply changes to our data UIManager **saveUpdatedItem()**:

- 1. Copy list values, not reference
- 2. Init a new empty array and copy all values here, except the updated item
- 3. setState()
- 4. Hide **ItemForm**

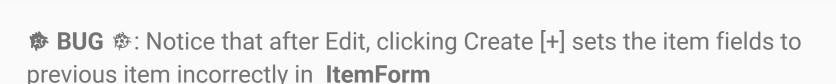
Pass **saveUpdatedItem** to **ItemForm** as function props

ItemForm:

 Based On this.props.mode, invoke either this.props.create Or this.props.saveUpdatedItem



c4.16 set ItemForm fields on [+] too



UIManager:

- Define onAddItem() function that will set mode to 'CREATE' and fields to empty
- Replace event handler on [+] with onAddItem()
 - Note the use of arrow function

TEST IT!

Create, Edit, Delete, Filter (Search)

Questions so far??

Recap?

Break?

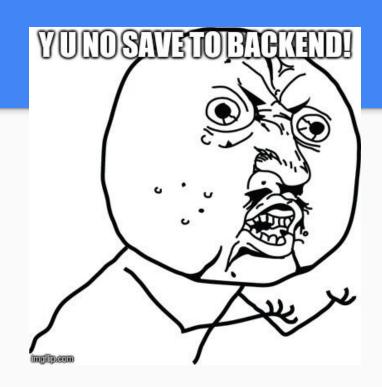
But... the changes do not apply to data.js?

In frontend, we were able to manipulate the in-memory data

- But when we reload the page, the changes are gone

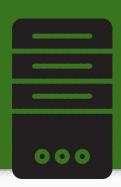
We will persist the changes in a data file using Node in the backend

 NOTE: Frontend read/write of local data files is usually not the way to go, because of security reasons



Node CRUD





- Notice that the CRUD operations are working, but changes not applied to the data.json file.
- Instead of applying the changes to in-memory state in frontend, we need to persist the changes to backend, through a REST API.
- We need backend to read/write into files, databases, and external APIs
- First, we would move data file in the backend, which would be the data source of our HTTP REST API
 - Read data.json using fs

c5.1 Reading file from server-side



Directory structure after:

```
react_node_workshop/
...
server/
    data.json
    utils.js
```

- Make new directory server/ in application root
- Move data from app/data.js (frontend) to server/data.json (backend)
- Create a new file server/utils.js
 - This will be used for file-reading, etc
- Define readJSON() in utils.js using fs.readFile
- In **server.js**, enclose server functionality inside function **runServer()**, then call readJSON() and pass callback



Ul will break, but no worries ●. We'll fix it as we go

c5.2 READ routes

Establish routes for fetching data

Fetch list - gets all list items

```
o server.get("/list", function(req, res))
```

Fetch one

```
o server.get("/list/:id", function(req, res))
```

```
← → C (i) localhost:4000/list
         "id": "0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA",
         "artist": "Muse",
         "title": "Madness",
         "album": "The 2nd Law"
         "id": "20AHN4C4M8D8E8ei0v0W6a".
         "artist": "One Republic",
         "title": "I Lived",
         "album": "Native"
         "id": "5VnDkUNyX6u5Sk0yZiP8XB",
         "artist": "Imagine Dragons",
         "title": "Thunder",
         "album": "Evolve"
```

```
// fetch all
server.get("/list", function(req, res) {
    res.send(json_data['list']);
});

// fetch one
server.get("/list/:id", function(req, res) {
    console.log(`GET Item ID ${req.params.id}`);
```

Promises



I promise there will be stuff here...

• • •

... (after some time)

. . .

... here it is ----->

```
function fetchData() {
 return new Promise(function(resolve, reject) {
   if (error) {
       reject(error);
   } else {
       resolve(data);
});
fetchData().then(function(result){
   doSomething(result);
}).catch(function(error) {
   throw error;
});
fetchData().then(result => {
   doSomething(result);
}).catch(error => {
   throw error;
});
```

c5.3 Updating frontend to fetch list from backend

UIManager.jsx

- Install and import axios
- Fetch data from backend before page is rendered. How?
 - componentDidMount() React lifecycle method that runs after component mounted;
 good place to put network fetch requests

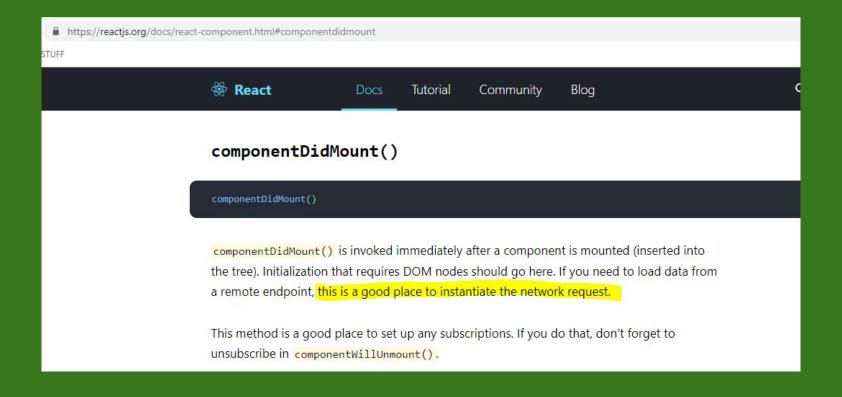
axios is a promise-based HTTP library

npm install axios

componentWillMount()

- Axios.get('/list').then() is executed when async request comes back (promise is resolved)
- Note the use of arrow function here since this.setState needs access to real this object
- Initialize **state.list** to [], to show a Loading page if results are not back yet
 - Why? in cases of slow network, we would show Loading instead of a blank page

componentDidMount, and other React lifecycle methods



Understanding HTTP requests, URL params and Request Body

Sample commands:

```
$ curl https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1
$ curl https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts
$ curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" --data '{"title": "foo", "body":
"bar", "userId": 1}' https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/
$ curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" --data '{"title": "foo", "body":
"bar", "userId": 2}' https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1
$ curl -X DELETE https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1
```

Sample requests cheat sheet: RNW files http.md

Designing routes with HTTP methods

Designing: what are the methods and parameters we need for REST API

Operation	Method	URL	URL params	Request body	example
Create	POST	/list		<pre>body: {id, title, artist, album}</pre>	POST /list body: {song details}
Read one	GET	/list/:id	:id (item ID)		GET /list/12345
Read all	GET	/list			GET /list
Update	PUT	/list/:id	:id (item ID)	<pre>body: {id, title, artist, album}</pre>	PUT /list/12345 body: {song details}
Delete	DELETE	/list/:id	:id (item ID)		DELETE /list/12345

c5.4 Adding CRUD routes in backend

server.js

- Install and use body-parser
- Implement following routes:
 - CREATE: server.post("/list")
 - UPDATE: server.put("/list/:id")
 - DELETE: server.delete("list/:id")

We will use sample responses, since we will tackle file writing afterwards

Sample requests cheat sheet: RNW files http.md

```
# for parsing request body
$ npm install body-parser
```

```
// server.js
...
var path = require ('path');
var body_parser = require('body-parser');
...
server.use(express.static('public'));
server.use(body_parser.json());
server.use(body_parser.urlencoded({ extended: true }));
```

Testing the backend routes using cURL

Client commands and results

```
lenny@hp:~/rnw$ curl http://localhost:4000/list/
[{"id":"0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA","artist":"Muse","title":"Madness","album":"The 2nd Law"},{"id":"2QAHN4C4M8D8E8eiQvQW6a","artist":"One
lic","title":"I Lived","album":"Native"},{"id":"5VnDkUNyX6u5Sk0yZiP8XB","artist":"Imagine Dragons","title":"Thunder","album":"Evolve"
v@hp:~/rnw$ curl http://localhost:4000/list/0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA
{"id":"0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA","artist":"Muse","title":"Madness","album":"The 2nd Law"}lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$ curl http://localhost:4000/list/something that doesnt exist
{"error": "Item with ID something that doesnt exist not found"} lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$ curl -X POST http://localhost:4000/list -H "Content-Type: application/json" --data '{"title":"My Song", "album":"My
 "id": "daskdal2dasdk2dasd"}'
{"created":{"title":"My Song","album":"My Album","id":"daskdal2dasdk2dasd"}}lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$ curl -X PUT http://localhost:4000/list/dasdsad123da -H "Content-Type: application/json" --data '{"title":"My Song",
:"Mv Album", "id":"daskdal2dasdk2dasd"}'
{"updated":{"title":"My Song","album":"My Album","id":"daskdal2dasdk2dasd"}}lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$ curl -X DELETE http://localhost:4000/list/dasdsad123da
{"deleted":"dasdsad123da"}lenny@hp:~/rnw$
lenny@hp:~/rnw$
```

Backend logs

```
GET Item ID 0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA
GET Item ID something_that_doesnt_exist
GET Item ID something_that_doesnt_exist
GET Item ID something_that_doesnt_exist
Create item with details: {"title":"My Song","album":"My Album","id":"daskdal2dasdk2dasd"}
Edit item with id: dasdsad123da, change to {"title":"My Song","album":"My Album","id":"daskdal2dasdk2dasd"}
Delete item with id: dasdsad123da
```



c5.5 Apply CRUD operations to data.json

- server/utils.js
 - Define writeJSON() callback passes json_data written to file
- Server.js
 - Define writeToFileAndSendResponse()
 - Invoke writeJSON() passing updated list to write to file, and a callback that takes the result of write
 - Callback then sends the results to client as a response

c5.6 Implement CRUD operations

Server.js

All Create, Update, and Delete have similar algorithms to the one in frontend (C4 React) so we can apply the logic here, replacing UI state operations with file operations

TESTING

- Use same commands as before: RNW files http.md
- But this time, changes must be reflected in the data.json

c5.7 Apply changes to front-end

UlManager.jsx

 For each Create, Update, Delete in frontend, call corresponding backend route.

```
axios.post(url, {json_obj})
axios.delete(url)
axios.put(url, {json_obj})
```

Effectively, we can also remove some CRUD logic in the frontend, since we
moved all of these to backend. However, we still need to setState, etc. We
must do setState inside callback of axios calls. Why?

TESTING

- App should work exactly as before, but changes are persisted now in data.json

Node CRUD + MongoDB

noSQL databases

What and why?

- Document-based (e.g. MongoDB) database
- Represents programming objects closer than relational databases
- Speed and flexibility (think of them as O(1) hash maps/ JSON)
- Why not? Not good for ACID compliant purposes, joins



Setting up mLab and MongoDB

mLab is the quickest way to setup a MongoDB instance Free up to 0.5 GB

For this workshop:

- we'll use my db instance, with an initial user and some data
 I'll send the credentials through Slack
- Install mongodb to our project

```
# install mongodb to our project
$ npm install mongodb
```

** If you want to setup your own:

https://docs.mlab.com/

Test DB connection

** This only works if you installed mongodb in your local machine as defined here

https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/administration/install-community/

```
--- mongoDB CLIENT ----
# on another terminal, connect to db
# Linux
$ mongo < mongodb connection link>
# macOS
$ mongo --host < mongodb connection link>
# Windows
$ "C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\4.0\bin\mongo.exe"
# use db and start running mongodb commands
> use spot_db
> db.items.find()
# should see some JSON-like objects here with song details
```

Optional: if mLab fails - MongoDB setup

** This only works if you installed mongodb in your local machine as defined here https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/administration/install-community/

- 1. On another terminal, start local mongodb server on your machine
 - Ubuntu: sudo service mongod start
 - Mac: mongod
 - Windows: "C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\4.0\bin\mongod.exe" --dbpath="c:\data\db"
- 2. On another terminal, start mongo client as described in previous slide

```
# after starting local mongodb server and
# after connecting to server using a mongodb client

# use db and start running mongodb commands
> use spot_db

> db.items.insertOne( { id:"some_song_id", artist:"The Artist", "title": "Song song", "album": "The Album" } )

> db.items.find()
# should see fake song we just added
```

c6.1 Server code for mongodb

- 1. Create a new file **server/mongo_db.js** for mongodb connection
- 2. server/mongo_db.js
 - Define init_db() this function returns a Promise, which will
 - i. resolve if connection successful, resolve value is a db instance caught by .then() of calling function
 - ii. **reject** if connection error, reject value is error and must be caught by calling function in a .catch()
 - Export file using module.exports

3. server.js

- Import and use mongodb.MongoCleint
- Import server/mongo_db.js file
- Replace file read call with mongo_db.init() and define the then() and catch() functions
- *** If using local mongodb, use the localhost version of db_connection_url



App will break, but no worries . We'll fix it as we go

c6.2 db_collection.find()

FRONTEND IS BROKEN! (/list route not returning anything yet)

To fix frontend, our first DB operation is to fetch all data on first load of app, which is in

the route server.get("/list")

server.js

Use db.collection.find() to fetch all

NOTE that result is an array
This data structure must match the
Expectations of

UIManager.componentWillMount()

```
// fetch all
server.get("/list", function(req, res) {
    // res.send(json_data['list']);
    db_collection.find().toArray(function(err, result) {
        if (err) throw err;
        res.send(result);
     });
});
```

✓ Route `http://localhost:4000/list/` should now return all items from mLab.

MongoDB operations

	Operati on	Method	URL	mongoDB method	Examples:	
С	Create	POST	/list	collection.insertOne(obj, callback)	obj { id: "blah20", artist: "Artist", title: "Title", album: "Album" }	
	Read one	GET	/list/:id	collection.findOne(query, callback)		
R	Read all	GET	/list	collection.find(query).toArray(callback)	query { id: "blah20" }	
	Update	PUT	/list/:id	collection.updateOne(query, { \$set: obj }, callback)	callback function (err, result) {	
	Delete	DELETE	/list/:id	collection.deleteOne(query, callback)	// process result }	

c6.3 Move all File CRUD calls to DB version

server.js

For simplicity, we send entire list after each operation, to maintain consistency of data between backend and frontend

UIManager.jsx

Update all this.setState() to match the data returned

- all instances of response.data.list to response.data
- onChangeFormInput() must get all item fields except _id (we can't change since this is used internally by mongo)

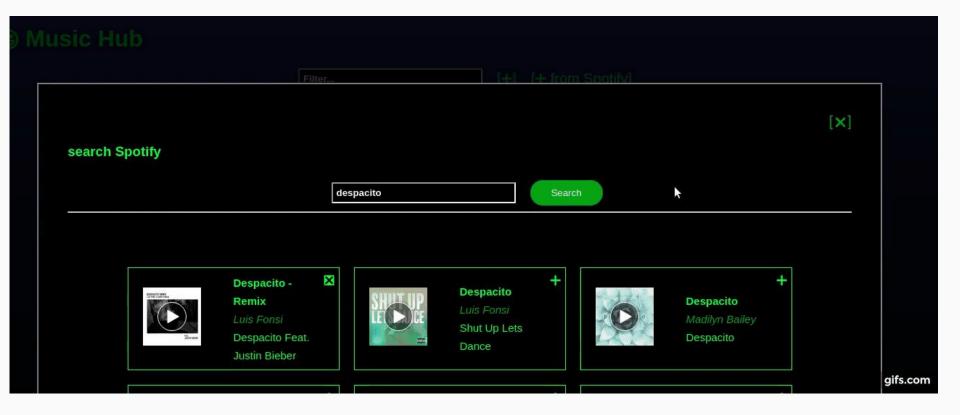
TESTING

- App should work exactly as before, but changes are persisted now in the DB
 - Verify that UI list is synced up with mLab items

Integrating with Spotify API



Spotify search API





Intro to API Oauth2

Spotify uses **OAuth2**, which requires an application to send an initial "access token request", containing encoded user credentials (Spotify dev account). The access token (aka "bearer" access token) is good for a period of time.

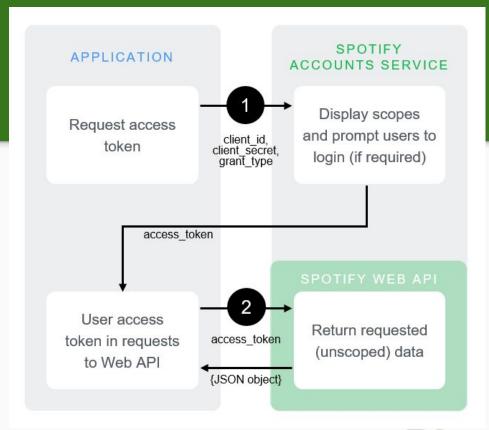
The app can then attach the "bearer" access token for each request (e.g search, get album, artist, track), to prove its identity to the Spotify server, without sending credentials.

Setting up Spotify API

- 1. For simplicity, we will use the free Spotify developer account I setup before
 - You could also setup your own developer account

https://developer.spotify.com/dashboard

2. Authentication flow is using Client Credentials https://developer.spotify.com/documentation/general/guides/authorization-guide/#client-credentials-flow





* For those using my credentials, I will send the Base-64 string (composed of Client ID, Client secret) needed for authentication through SLACK

Testing out spotify credentials

Test in Terminal / Postman

```
$ curl -X "POST" -H "Authorization: Basic <base64_string>" -d
grant_type=client_credentials https://accounts.spotify.com/api/token
> {"access_token":".....","token_type":"Bearer","expires_in":3600,"scope":""}
```

We then use this access_token to do requests like

```
Our webapp server's job:
```

- 1. Prepare the **request**, including **encoding query params**
- 2. Process the response, which includes filtering, preparing data for render in React

```
$ curl -H "Authorization: Bearer <access_token>"
"https://api.spotify.com/v1/search?query=gangnam%20style&type=track"
> { literally tons of data }
```

c7.1 setup spotify API backend

```
# qs allow proper data encoding for HTTP
$ npm install qs
```

It's better to separate API specific code, which we import in our server file. Create folder **api** and file **api/spotify.js**

api/spotify.js

Define **spotify_routes()** - this will contain all spotify -specific routes we need Serve a GET route \dagger\spotify/\search/:query'

server.js

- Import axios, qs
- Import and use api/spotify.js
 - We have to pass server and db_connection object



c7.2 requesting for an access_token

spotify.js

Define **getAccessToken()** which returns a Promise

- Prepare request config containing the base-64 encoded credentials in the header
- Send request and resolve Promise with access_token returned by Spotify

Invoke inside route \'/spotify/search/:query'

Define .then(), send access_token for now to test

```
Starting server at 4000
[SPOTIFY] : searching asdasd...
[SPOTIFY] Requesting a new access token...
[SPOTIFY] Access token: BQDfHsFvwB4QRwBiG2gPs0fktzTaG1DDmb2LlAuT5fyJoC052U X4Fbi6jevZ2eICYsYpCSeNnlSNm0sRnk
```

c7.3 GET request to search query string

We could now use the access_token to make a request

```
axios({
                                                                            (i) localhost:4000/spotify/search/asdasd
   method: 'GET',
   url: url,
   headers: {
       "Authorization": `Bearer ${access token}`,
                                                                        ▶ "album": {...}, // 13 items
       "Accept": "application/json"
                                                                        ▶ "artists": [ ... ], // 2 items
                                                                          "available markets": [ ... ], // 65 items
}).then(function( res) {
                                                                          "disc number": 1,
                                                                          "duration ms": 8498,
    console.log(`search response: ${JSON.stringify( res.data)}`);
                                                                          "explicit": true,
                                                                        ▶ "external ids": {...}, // 1 item
                                                                        ▶ "external urls": {...}, // 1 item
                                                                          "href": "https://api.spotify.com/v1/tracks/7AZmx0oEZj36SPFyC2gJ1l",
                                                                          "id": "7AZmx0oEZj36SPFyC2gJ1l",
                                                                          "is local": false,
    [SPOTIFY] : searching asdasd...
                                                                          "name": "gwe - Bonus Track",
    [SPOTIFY] Requesting a new access token...
                                                                          "popularity": 0,
    [SPOTIFY] Access token: BQAwgQci3TPoGMGLrljAgRLT
                                                                          "preview url": "https://p.scdn.co/mp3-preview/42144f2ccdff945472adf5c99c4fc
   M--fwo
                                                                          "track number": 1,
                                                                          "type": "track",
   search response: {"tracks":{"href":"https://api.s
                                                                          "uri": "spotify:track:7AZmx0oEZj36SPFyC2gJ1l"
   &limit=20", "items":[{"album":{"album type": "singl
   en.spotify.com/artist/7rWz5hrtloVu09emujAeJh"},"h
   09emujAeJh", "id": "7rWz5hrtloVu09emujAeJh", "name":
   oVu09emuiAelh"}]."available markets":["AD"."AR"."AT"
```

c7.4 Spotify.jsx - frontend

Now that our Spotify API backend is working, we would have a Spotify component in the frontend React side that would allow us to search for Spotify tracks.

This React component utilizes our Spotify API backend.

Create new file app/Spotify.jsx

Spotify.jsx

Get from RNW files Spotify.jsx

Notice 3 event handlers that we have to implement

UIManager.jsx

- Import Spotify.jsx
- Add showSpotify() and hideSpotify() event handlers, similar to what we have before for show|hideForm() but use .spotify modal as the selector
- Add button [+ from Spotify] and its event handler showSpotify()
- Render <Spotify /> component and pass hideSpotify as function props



c7.5 trackSearchTerm() and searchSpotify()

Similar to how we track ItemForm fields before, we need to track search Spotify input, so when Spotify search is clicked, the search string will be in state and ready to be sent in an axios request.

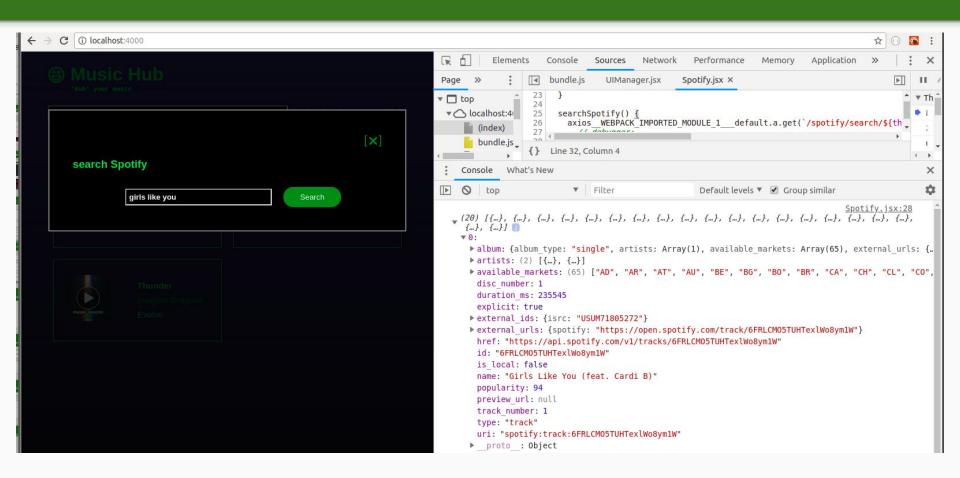
```
Spotify.jsx - define constructor(), trackSearchTerm() and searchSpotify()
    constructor() - add this.state.search_term, init to empty string

trackSearchTerm(event) - setState search_term to event.target.value

searchSpotify() - axios get request to our backend route
    `spotify/search/:query`
    using this.state.search_term as the query
```

render() - add onChange event handler to search input: trackSearchTerm()

Search results in the debugger console



c7.6 transforming API's response data into UI data

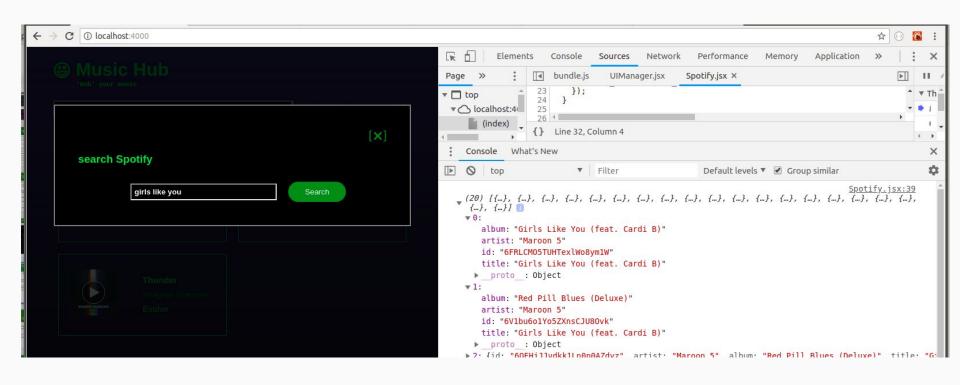
So far, this is the item format we have been using:

The object returned by Spotify is too big. We only need: **id, artist, title, album**.

res.data array can be mapped into a new array that contains only the track attributes we need.

```
{
    "id": "0c4IEciLCDdXEhhKxj4ThA"
    "artist": "Muse",
    "title": "Madness",
    "album": "The 2nd Law",
}
```

That's more like it! Now we have to put it in our UI



c7.7 We need a List and Item component...

But wait! We already have one! Hooray for reusable components!

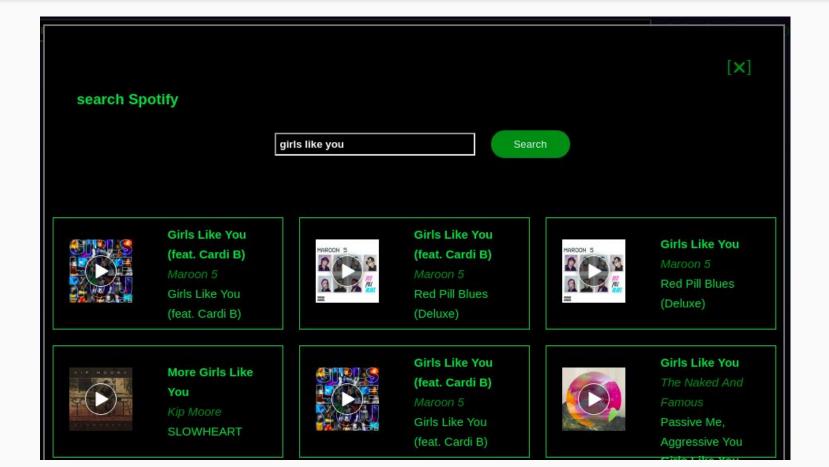
Only thing we have to do here is:

Spotify.jsx

- Import List and Item
- Add this.state.search_results init to empty array
- setState squashed results
- Render <List> passing search results as list props

*** Now we have two instances of List, one is Spotify's List and the old one is UlManager's List

Nice! Last thing is to add the controls in each Item to add them to our playlist



c7.8 [X] and [+] buttons on Item

To implement adding/removing items from Spotify List, we introduce the following props:

```
    <UIManager>
        <Spotify>
        <ltem>
    Props passing:
    <UIManager> toggleItemFromSpotify() ---> <Spotify> ---display_type---> <List> ---display_type---> <Item> toggleItem()
```

display_type - allows us to customize Item to have [+] instead of [X] and [Edit] (home list) **toggleItem...** - when Item's [+] is clicked, item object will be passed upwards all the way to UIManager, who can add the item to our state

c7.9 implement toggleItemFromSpotify()

When an Item is clicked, UIManager can either add the item if it doesn't exist yet, or delete it if it exists already.

UlManager.jsx

- toggleItemFromSpotify()
 - use list.some () to determine if list contains item already
 - createltem(item) if exists, else deleteltem()
- createltem(item)
 - add item parameter, and change logic such that if null, it would get it from state.form_fields instead
 - I.e. the item that will be POSTed by axios (aka Create request), could be either item from Spotify's toggleItem, OR (if null), it means the call is from ItemForm and get item from form_fields instead

c7.10 Denote Item X instead of + if already in playlist

UIManager.jsx

```
ltem.jsx
  display [X] instead of [+]
  if isInStateList() returns true
```

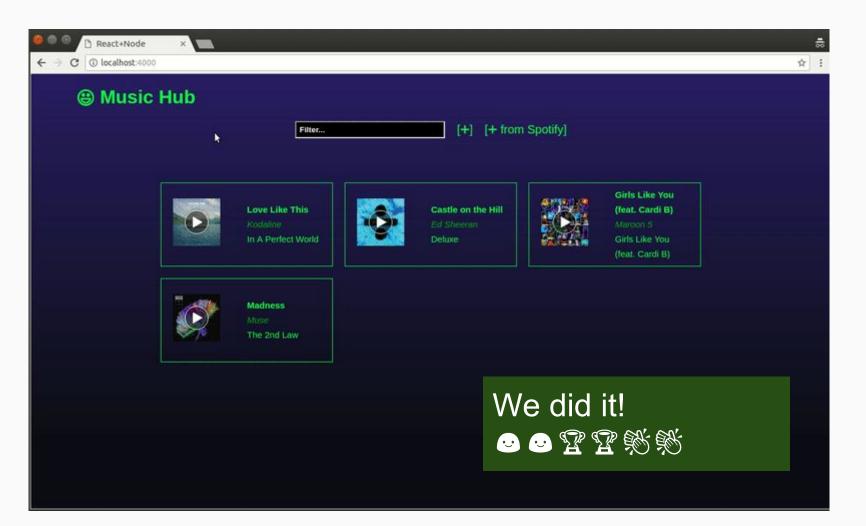
Some final testing:

Test [+]. Here's a few sample songs

4uLU6hMCjMI75M1A2tKUQC 7Ghlk7II098yCjg4BQjzvb 0FutrWIUM5Mg3434asiwkp Test [+ from Spotify].



Try searching and adding; removing already added items in Spotify List **Note**: Performance could be a bit slow, since mLab database and Spotify API depend on network. A few performance hacks are discussed in **Improvements**.



Done! elelel xxx

Project at this point is at branch /master

Latest code updates, experiments, will be at lenmorld/rnw/beta

Q & A session!

Or i'll just keep talking about web 🙉

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