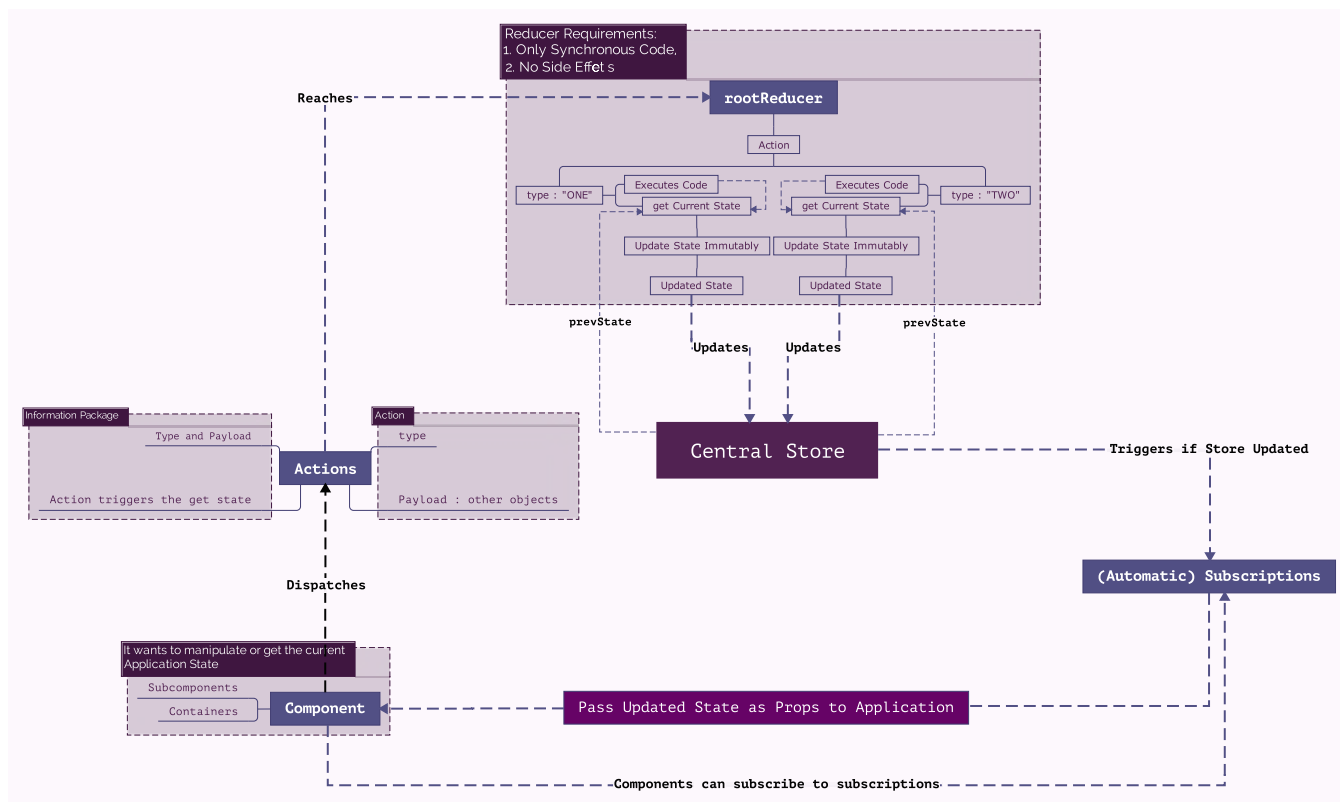


# REDUX – Understanding it



Redux is a standalone package and it can work without React. To use redux, we need Redux

```
const redux = require ('redux');  
const createStore = redux.createStore;
```

Below are the details of different components of Redux.

## Reducers

1. It is the only thing that is strongly connected to the store. It holds the logic when to update the state.
2. Action is the javascript object that has the type and other payload objects
3. The logic is binded to action.type. Example below.

```
const initialState = {  
  counter: 0  
}  
  
const rootReducer = (state = initialState, action) => {  
  switch (action.type){  
    case 'INC_COUNTER':  
      console.log(`In ${action.type} type`);  
      return {  
        ...state,  
        counter : state.counter + 1  
      }  
      break;  
    case 'ADD_COUNTER':  
      console.log(`In ${action.type} type`);  
      return {  
        ...state,  
        counter : state.counter + action.value  
      }  
      break;  
    default:
```

```
        return state;
    }
    return state;
}
```

## Store

1. it will take reducer as the parameter.
2. Since it takes reducer as a parameter, the reducer needs to be created and available before creating the store.

```
const store = createStore(rootReducer);
```

## Subscriptions

1. It eliminates the need to asking getState to understand the state change
2. It will inform me whenever the state changes if subscribe to it.
3. Subscribe take function as argument
4. Subscription is setup right after the store is created so that we will get the details from initial state.

```
store.subscribe( () => {
    console.log(`You are subscribed and here is your detail`)
    console.log(store.getState());
})
```

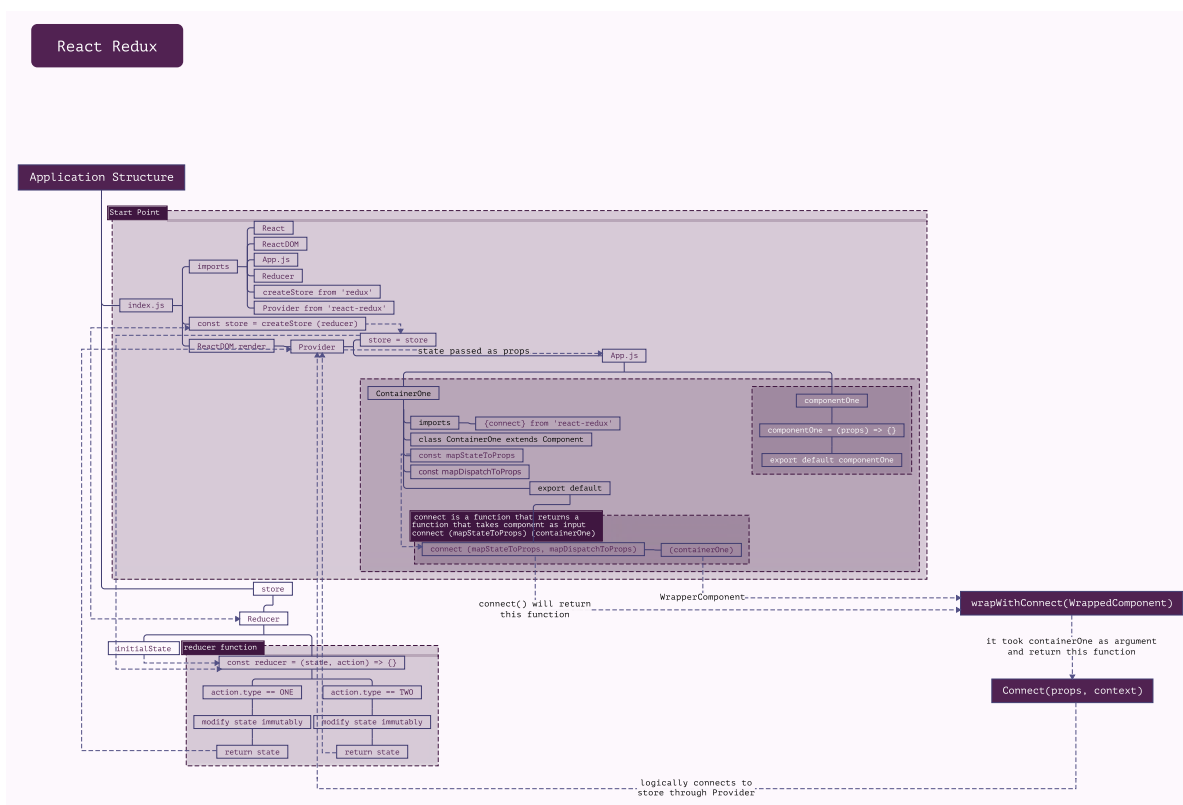
## Dispatch

1. Dispatch Action – Code Dispatching an action
2. Action is an javascript object
3. 'type' property is must and important. The value is an unique identifier and the convention is to use all UPPER CASE

```
store.dispatch({type: 'INC_COUNTER'});
store.dispatch({type: 'ADD_COUNTER', value: 5});
```

# Application conventions

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## Connecting the Redux to React

1. Install redux from npm as dependency

```
npm install --save redux
```

2. Most of the application will have their store created on the index.js file which will mount the root container App.js

```
/store/reducer.js
const initState = {
  counter: 0
}
const reducer = ( state = initState, action ) => {
  return state;
}
export default reducer;

./index.js
import { createStore } from 'redux';
import reducer from './store/reducer';
const store = createStore(reducer);
```

3. As mentioned above most scenarios, we will need a seperate place to store the reducers. It is not mandatory but conventionally way for easy use.

## Connecting the store to the React application

4. We need to install react-redux as the dependency to connect store to react

```
npm install --save react-redux
```

5. Import the Provider from react-redux and wrap it to the root component

```
import { Provider } from 'react-redux';
ReactDOM.render(<Provider><App/></Provider>, document.getElementById('App'));
```

5. Provider is the helper component which allows us to inject the store into the React Component. For hooking up the provider component with the store, need to setup the property that passes the created store.

the property name is store and we should pass the store to it

```
ReactDOM.render(<Provider store={store}><App/></Provider>,
document.getElementById('App'));
```

6. To get the state from the central store to the container or the component, we need to set the subscriptions in the respective component. We can use the feature provided by the react-redux package.

Still the containers/components will pass the state to its child components. The only thing that changes – components/containers will not maintain the state but the central store does.

7. We need to import 'connect' which is a function which will return the function as a higher order component which takes then the component as its input

```
'./containers/Counter/Counter.js'
import { connect } from 'react-redux';
class Counter extends Component {
  ...
}
export default connect()(Counter);
```

8. We pass two piece of information to the connect function

- which slice of the state that you want it in return in this container(since the central store maintain number of state that belongs to various components/containers)
  - We will get the slice of the **state from the central store as a props but not as a state** to our container because state is the thing which can be changed only internally but props doesn't change internally rather it is passed by the parent container. Since the idea is to manage the state to separate component, we are receiving those state only as props from central store.
- which action that I want to dispatch (since a bigger application will have lot of actions that manipulate the state)

Need to define the slice of the state that needed after the class definition

```
'./containers/Counter/Counter.js'
import { connect } from 'react-redux';
class Counter extends Component {
  render () {
    //The counter component will receive the state from centra store via
    connect as props hence accessing like this.
    return <CounterOutput value={this.props.ctr}
  }
}
```

```

}
//const name can be anything
const mapStateToProps = state => {
  return {
    //it returns the jsx object, we will map the counter property of the state
    to counter locally here
    ctr: state.counter
  };
}
//connect will return a function will take Counter component as its input and thus
giving access Counter to mapStateToProps.
export default connect(mapStateToProps)(Counter);

```

## Dispatching actions from within the component

9. We can pass the second configuration mapDispatchToProps and pass it to connect function

```

class Counter extends Component {
  render () {
    //The counter component will receive the dispatch function through props
    hence accessing like this. The dispatch function will be same as we defined below.
    This has the two-way binding dispatch function which then be executed at reducers
    via action parameter by handling it through event here.
    return <CounterControl label="Increment" clicked=
    {this.props.incCounterHandler} />
  }
}
//mapDispatchToProps is a constant that return the Object which will have a key
mapped to dispatch function
const mapDispatchToProps = dispatch => {
  return {
    incCounterHandler: () => dispatch(type: 'INCREMENT')
  }
}
//By passing these two arguments, we are requesting both the slice of the state
and dispatching action.
export default connect(mapStateToProps, mapDispatchToProps)(Counter);
//If we just need to dispatch action but don't need a slice then, we can pass
null as the slice needed
export default connect(null, mapDispatchToProps)(Counter);

```

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## Outsourcing the action types.

10. It is best practise to outsource the action types to a separate file and importing them into reducers and the component which will dispatch actions. This will eliminate the TYPO that likely to occur and highlight it to us on the development mode itself

```

'./store/actions.js'
export const INCREMENT = 'INCREMENT';

'./store.reducer.js'

```

```
//import all the exported const from actions.js as actionTypes object.
import * as actionTypes from './actions';
const reducer = ( state, action) => {
  switch(action.type){
    case actionTypes.INCREMENT:
      DO SOMETHING
      return state
  }
}
export default reducer

'./containers/Counter/Counter.js'
//import all the exported const from actions.js as actionTypes object.
import * as actionTypes from './actions';
const mapDispatchToProps = dispatch => {
  return {
    incCounterHandler: () => dispatch({type: actionTypes.INCREMENT})
  }
}
export default connect(null, mapDispatchToProps)(Counter)
```

## Having multiple reducers and combining multiple reducers

11. Redux gives us a helper function called *combineReducers* from 'react' to combine multiple reducers to one reducers and store will handle only one reducer
12. Conventionally we can have a separated folder reducers in store and have the reducers created within it.
13. combineReducers is a function which takes javascript object mapping our reducers that has different slices of our state as input and merges them into one state and one reducer.

```
combineReducers(reducers: ReducerMapObject): (state: any, action: AnyAction) => any
```

```
import counterReducer from './store/reducers/counter';
import logsReducer from './store/reducers/logs';
import { createStore, combineReducers} from 'redux';

//rootReducer is a new function of combineReducers that takes our other two
reducers as object input
const rootReducer = combineReducers({
  counter: counterReducer,
  logs: logsReducer
});

const store = createStore(rootReducer);
```

At the end, we will have only one state since we are combining all reducers however to avoid naming conflicts between the reducers, redux add one level of nesting to the reducer keys that we define in the input. In above case, the counterReducer objects can be access through counter.objects & logsReducer can be accessed through logs.objects. Example

```

'./store/reducers/counter.js'
const initState = {
  counterValue: 100
}
const counterReducer = ( state = initState, action ) => {
  return state
}
export default CounterReducer

'./container/Counter/Counter.js'
class Counter extends Component {
  render() {
    return (
      //this.props since the state is passed as props via Provider
      //this.props.counter to access the counter object that has
counterReducer as value in the rootReducer
      //this.props.counter.counterValue to access the counterValue set at
the state maintained by counterReducer
      <p>{this.props.counter.counterValue}</p>
    )
  }
}
```

Understanding state types and determining when to use redux more sensibly.

14. You can use redux to store and manage your state for all kind of components and information however, using it sensibly will reduce the overload of setting up the redux and will help in speedy programming. Some of the state scenario and their necessity to use redux is briefed below.

Type	Example	Use Redux?	Determination
Local UI State	Show/Hide Backdrops	Mostly Handled within components	
Persistent State	Server Side DB info – All Users, All Posts	Stored on the server only slices (current user, current posts) which needs to be rendered will be managed by Redux	Redux is to manage the state as long as the application is live (refresh will kill)
Client State	Is User Authenticated? Filters to veiw specific posts	Managed via Redux	Cannot be maintained on server side as isAuthenticated will not always be true

# Advanced Redux

Applying Middleware

Middle will get hook into the process & it will allow the process continue to work as it is, however it can alter the process as well.

