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In this tutorial we're going to show how to create a JavaScript Chart in React using scichart.js and **scichart-react**.



The previous tutorial [Tutorial 01 - Understanding the scichart-react boilerplate](#)  should serve as a reference. We will be using this boilerplate (npm setup, webpack configuration and package.json) as a starting point for the tutorial.

Go ahead and copy the boilerplate to a new folder or project. You can get the code from here: [Boilerplates/scichart-react](#)



The <SciChartReact/> React component

Props and Configuration

`<SciChartReact />` has the following props which you can use to configure a chart.

Name	Description
fallback	ReactNode a React component that would be rendered while the chart is being initialized
onInit	a callback function used after the chart is initialized
onDelete	a callback function used when the component with initialized chart is unmounted

innerContainerProps	TDivProps props passed to the inner container <div> container where the chart is hosted
initChart	An initialization function which passes an HTMLDivElement and should return surface instance created on the provided root element.
config	A string with chart definition or configuration object acceptable by SciChart Builder API
style	Optional style that may be passed to the outer <div> element created by <SciChartReact/>

Initializing a chart with `<SciChartReact />` is simple. At a minimum you must pass either an **initChart** function using the programmatic JavaScript API to SciChart, e.g. `SciChartSurface.create()` , or a **config** object using the [JSON Builder API](#) .

You can specify a **fallback** ReactNode which will be shown while the chart is initializing. You can pass **onInit** and **onDelete** callbacks which can be used to setup data

`<SciChartReact />` will create the <div/> where the chart resides. An optional **style** may be passed to size or position the outer div. **innerContainerProps** are passed

DOM Outputted by <SciChartReact/>

Each `<SciChartReact />` element outputs three divs. The DOM created by `<SciChartReact />` looks like this.


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```
<div> <!-- style property is applied here -->
  <div> <!-- innerContainerProps property applied here -->
    <div id="scichart-root"> <!-- Chart hosted here -->
  </div>
</div>
```

To set these properties, try something like this:

Example Title

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```
<SciChartReact
  initChart={initChartFunc} // (divElementId) => { return { sciChartSurface } };
  onInit={onInitFunc} // (initResult) => console.log(`surface: ${initResult.sciChartSurface.i
  onDelete={onDeleteFunc} // (initResult) => console.log(`surface: ${initResult.sciChartSurfa
  innerContainerProps={{ style: { width: "100%"}}}
  style={{ maxWidth: 900, height: 600 }}
```

```
/>
```

Next we're going to dig into the function signatures for **initChart**, **onInit** and **onDelete** as well as show how **innerContainerProps** and **style** affect the chart layout.

Creating a scichart-react Chart using initChart

So let's create our first chart using scichart-react and **initChart** function.

Go ahead and copy the [Boilerplates/scichart-react](#) folder into a new project. Change your App.jsx as follows:

APP.JSX REACT COMPONENT

```
import React from "react";
import { SciChartReact } from "scichart-react";

function App() {
  // SciChart.js will work out of the box with a community license.

  // For commercial licenses (to remove the watermark), set your license code here
  // SciChartSurface.setRuntimeLicenseKey("YOUR_RUNTIME_KEY");

  // to use WebAssembly and Data files from CDN instead of the same origin
  // SciChartSurface.loadWasmFromCDN();

  return (
    <div className="App">
      <header className="App-header">
        <h1>&lt;SciChartReact&gt; with initChart Tutorial</h1>
      </header>
      <SciChartReact
        initChart={initChart}
        onInit={onInit}
        onDelete={onDelete}
        innerContainerProps={{ style: { width: "100%" } }}
        style={{ maxWidth: 900, height: 600 }}
      />
    </div>
  );
}

export default App;
```

The `<SciChartReact />` component renders a single scichart chart. **initChart** is the function which is called to setup your chart. We'll show the code for this in the next step. **onInit** and **onDelete** are optional callbacks on mount/unmount of the react component. Finally **innerContainerProps** allows you to style the `<div>` which contains the chart, while **style** is

applied to the <div> where the scichart chart is hosted.

Here's the code required to initialize the chart, and the optional onInit and onDelete functions:

APP.JSX INITCHART

```
import {
  SciChartSurface,
  SciChartJsNavyTheme,
  NumericAxis,
  FastLineRenderableSeries,
  XyDataSeries,
  EllipsePointMarker,
  ZoomPanModifier,
  MouseWheelZoomModifier,
  ZoomExtentsModifier,
  WaveAnimation,
  SweepAnimation,
} from "scichart";

// Called to initialize the chart. rootElement is passed in which is the <div> that will hos
// Create the SciChartSurface, add axis, series, data, annotations etc.
// return { sciChartSurface } to <SciChartReact /> to be used in onInit, onDelete
const initChart = async (rootElement) => {
  const { sciChartSurface, wasmContext } = await SciChartSurface.create(
    rootElement,
    {
      id: "New SciChart Chart",
      theme: new SciChartJsNavyTheme(),
      title: "SciChart-React with initChart",
      titleStyle: { fontSize: 16, color: "White " },
    }
  );
  sciChartSurface.xAxes.add(
    new NumericAxis(wasmContext, { axisTitle: "X Axis" })
  );
  sciChartSurface.yAxes.add(
    new NumericAxis(wasmContext, { axisTitle: "Y Axis" })
  );

  // Add some series and data
  sciChartSurface.renderableSeries.add(
    new FastLineRenderableSeries(wasmContext, {
      dataSeries: new XyDataSeries(wasmContext, {
        xValues: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9],
        yValues: [
          0, 0.0998, 0.1986, 0.2955, 0.3894, 0.4794, 0.5646, 0.6442, 0.7173,
          0.7833,
        ],
      }),
      stroke: "SteelBlue",
      pointMarker: new EllipsePointMarker(wasmContext, {
        fill: "LightSteelBlue",
      })
    })
  );
}
```

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        stroke: "White",
        size: 9,
    }},
    animation: new SweepAnimation({ duration: 750 }),
  })
);

// Add some interactivity modifiers
sciChartSurface.chartModifiers.add(
  new ZoomPanModifier({ enableZoom: true }),
  new MouseWheelZoomModifier(),
  new ZoomExtentsModifier()
);

return { sciChartSurface };
};

const onInit = (initResult) => {
  // You can get the sciChartSurface, wasmContext here to perform any initialization
  const sciChartSurface = initResult.sciChartSurface;
  const wasmContext = sciChartSurface.webAssemblyContext2D;

  console.log(
    `SciChartSurface has been initialized: id=${sciChartSurface.id}, divElementId=${sciChart
  );
};

const onDelete = (initResult) => {
  // You can get the sciChartSurface, wasmContext here to perform any cleanup
  const sciChartSurface = initResult.sciChartSurface;
  const wasmContext = sciChartSurface.webAssemblyContext2D;

  console.log(
    `SciChartSurface with id=${sciChartSurface.id} is deleted = ${sciChartSurface.isDeleted}
  );
};

```

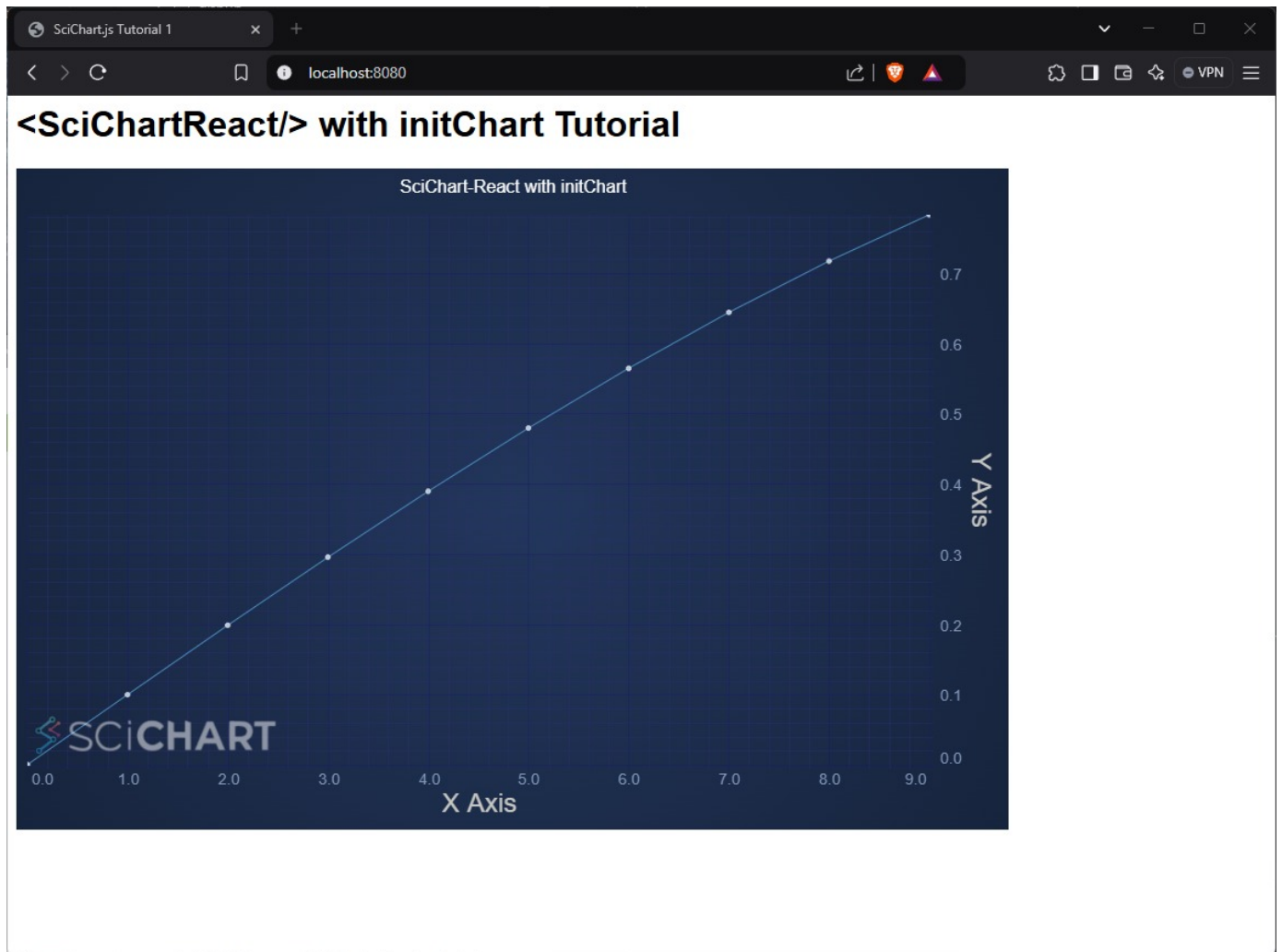
initchart: is an async function and has a single parameter which is the rootElement (<div> where the chart is hosted). This is created by `<SciChartReact />` and will be given a unique ID. In this function you can call `SciChartSurface.create()`, add XAxis and YAxis, add RenderableSeries with data, and add interactivity modifiers.

onInit: is an optional function which has one parameter - initResult. This is called directly after component mount and allows you to access the sciChartSurface and it's wasmContext via `sciChartSurface.webAssemblyContext2D`. You can also access the HTMLDivElement which hosts the chart via `sciChartSurface.domChartRoot`.

onInit: is an optional function is called on component unmount. Use this to perform any chart specific cleanup such as disconnecting to data-sources.

Running the code

Let's run the code and see the result!



You can get the full source code for this tutorial over at [scichart.js.examples](https://github.com/scichart.js/examples) on Github under the folder [Tutorials/React/Tutorial_02_Creating_Charts_SciChart_React_initChart](#)



A note about `SciChartSurface.delete()`:

`<SciChartReact />` automatically calls `sciChartSurface.delete()`, ensuring that all wasm memory is disposed on component unmount. This cascades and calls `dataSeries.delete()` on all data currently in the chart. If you dynamically add/remove series however you will need to delete these as you go along. For more info see the article on [Deleting DataSeries Memory](#).

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