

Better React Components

What are we going to cover

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Splitting components

Container components with render props

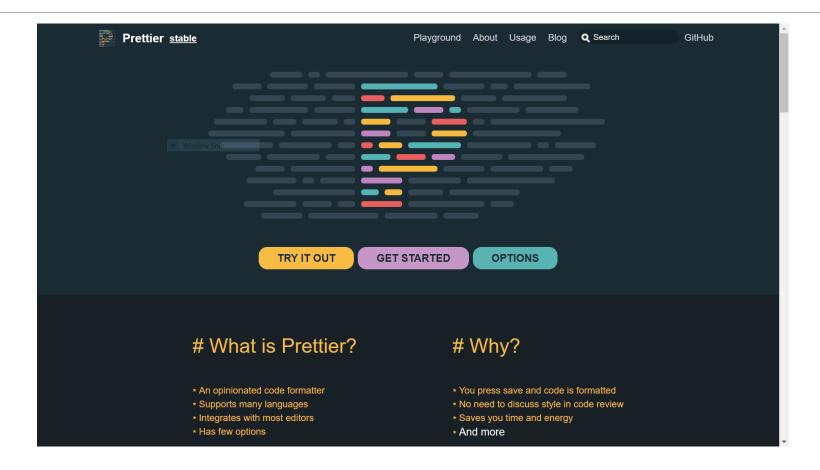
Error boundaries

Using **key** to reset state

StrictMode

Lazy and Suspense

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Splitting components

Create separate components for each piece of functionality

Use single responsibility principals

A lot of behavior is done by wrapping components

- Redux connect()
- React router withRouter()
- Error boundaries

Components with render props

Render props is **more flexible** then regular higher order functions

- With an HOC the HOC developer has full control
- With render props the developer using it has full control

Downside of render props is the more complex syntax

Can be solved by calling into a presentational component to render the UI

A render prop component

```
1 const initialState = {
    data: null, loading: false, error: null
 3 };
 5 class Fetch extends Component {
     state = initialState;
    async componentDidMount() {
         this.setState({ ...initialState, loading: true });
         const { url } = this.props;
         const rsp = await fetch(url);
         const data = await rsp.json();
         this.setState({ ...initialState, data });
       } catch (error) {
         this.setState({ ... initialState, error });
     render() {
      const { children } = this.props;
       return children(this.state);
24 }
```

Using the component

```
1 <Fetch url="/movies.json">
2 {({ data, ... rest }) ⇒ <Movies movies={data} { ... rest} />}
3 </Fetch>
4
```

Error boundaries

Errors in React lifecycle functions destroy the React component tree

Use an error boundary to only destroy part of the tree

Use the componentDidCatch() to log the error

Use the static **getDerivedStateFromError()** to update the **state** based on the error

Errors in event handlers are not caught in error boundaries

Use a global error handler

Error boundaries

```
1 function withErrorBoundary(WrappedComponent) {
     return class extends React.Component {
       state = { error: null };
       static getDerivedStateFromError(error) {
         return { error };
       componentDidCatch(error, info) {
        console.warn('Oops', error, info)
11
       render() {
        const { error } = this.state;
        if (error) return <div>Error: {error.message}</div>
         return <WrappedComponent { ... this.props} />;
15
    };
18 }
```

Resetting state

A **key** prop can be used on any component

Useful to reset a components internal state

When the value changes

- The **old** component will be **unmounted**
- A **new** component will be **mounted**

StrictMode

Detects problematic usage of API's that will be deprecated because of possible side effects

- Unsafe lifecycle functions
- Unexpected side effects
- String ref usage
- findDOMNode usage
- legacy context

The StrictMode component can be used on a part of the component tree

The goal is to make migration to async rendering with React 17 easier

Note: StrictMode does nothing in a production build

Lazy and Suspense

The lazy() function creates a component around a dynamic import

• The component chunk will not be loaded until the component is rendered

Must be inside of a **Suspense** component

- The fallback will be shown while the component chunk is loaded
- Doesn't need to be the direct child

Using a lazy component

```
1 const SelectedMovie = lazy(() ⇒ import('./SelectedMovie'));
 3 class Movies extends Component {
     render() {
       const { selected } = this.props;
       return (
         <Suspense fallback={<Loading />}>
           {selected & (
             <SelectedMovie selected={selected} ♪</pre>
11
         </Suspense>
12
       );
15 }
```

