

Web Applications

SW Installation Instructions

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Tools



Node.js runtime

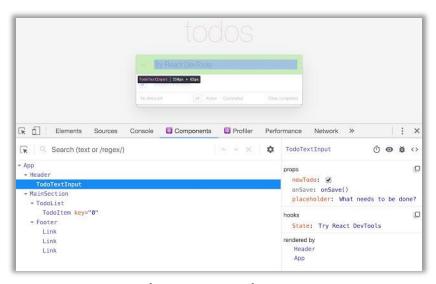
Version >= 22 LTS

Always use LTS (long-term support) version

(i.e., even numbers only)

https://nodejs.org/en/

See next slides for installation instructions

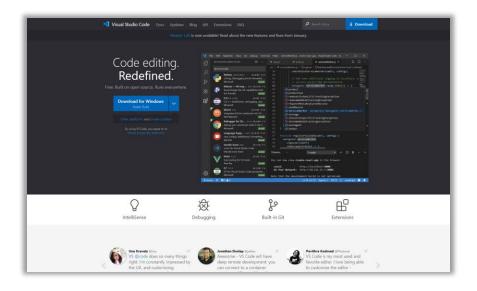


React Developer Tools

Extension for <u>Chrome</u> and <u>Firefox</u>

Safari is NOT recommended in general for debugging

Programming Environment



Visual Studio Code

https://code.visualstudio.com/

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- Linux (recommended)
 - Node.js: **DO NOT install** the version coming with the Linux distribution, use:

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# https://github.com/nodesource/distributions: e.g., for ubuntu
curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_lts.x | sudo -E bash - && sudo apt-get install -y nodejs
```

- VSCode: <u>DO NOT install</u> the version coming with the Linux distribution, download the .deb package from https://code.visualstudio.com/ and install it
- NB: the final project will be tested on Linux

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redhat # CentOS fedoro

MacOS



- Node.js: Use the LTS package provided by https://nodejs.org/en/
- VSCode: Use the MacOS package provided by https://code.visualstudio.com/

NB: MacOS is <u>NOT</u> Linux, the final project will be tested on Linux, so beware of upper/lowercase letters in file names (MacOS is not case sensitive, Linux is)

- Windows
 - Option #1: Use a Virtual Machine (VM) manager, such as VirtualBox, VMWare, ..., install Linux and do <u>everything</u> inside the VM
 - Option #2: use the Windows native way of handling a virtual machine, using the Windows Subsystem for Linux, version 2 (WSL2).
 - Install WSL2 if not yet done: https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/wsl/install
 - Then, see next slide

- Windows WSL2 instructions (follow instructions very carefully!)
 - NOTE: Always use WSL2 and work with <u>all the files, including projects and node</u> modules, <u>always</u> in the filesystem of the Linux subsystem
 - 1. Open WSL2. Please avoid developing projects as the "root" user (i.e., superuser), since mistakes may damage your system
 - 2. Follow Linux instruction to install Node.js from the WSL2 Linux terminal: https://github.com/nodesource/distributions



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sudo apt install curl # install curl if not yet present
curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_lts.x | sudo -E bash - && sudo apt-get install -y nodejs
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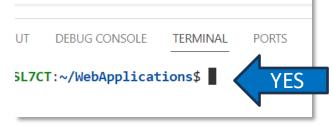
 DO NOT INSTALL Node.js directly in Windows with the Windows installation package. Uninstall it if necessary

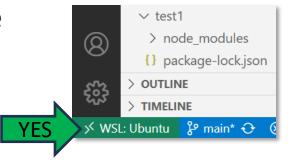
- Windows (VSCode)
 - 1. Install VSCode <u>in Windows</u> with the Windows installation package (**NOT in WSL Linux**).
 - Then, open it from the Linux (not Windows) shell terminal by launching WSL and then typing "code".
 It will prompt to install the WSL extension, install it.
 - 3. Again, remember to always work in the filesystem of the Linux subsystem. If unsure, open VSCode from the Linux terminal with the commands:

cd myFolderName
code .

- Windows (working in VSCode)
 - Always install modules (npm command) in Linux when required in lectures and labs!
 (All files are accessible from Windows by entering \wsl\$ path in Windows file explorer)
 - Always double-check you are working in WSL, by looking at the bottom left corner in VSCode
 - Always check that the terminal is Linux and <u>NOT</u> Windows PowerShell (PS)







NB: The exam will be tested under Linux. Beware: Windows is NOT case sensitive



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