Lecture 12: Deploying, Testing

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Previous Lecture

- Performance Trade-Offs
- React Native Perf Monitor
- Chrome Performance Profiler
- Common Inefficiencies
 - Rerendering too often
 - Unnecessarily changing props
 - Unnecessary logic
- ullet Animated

Deploying

- Deploy to the appropriate store by building the app and uploading it to the store
- Set the correct metadata in app.json
 - https://docs.expo.io/versions/latest/workflow/configuration
- Build the app using exp (command-line alternative to the XDE)
 - Install with npm install --global exp
 - Build with exp build:ios or exp build:android
 - Expo will upload the build to s3
 - Run exp build:status and paste the url in a browser to download

Deploying, cont.

- Upload to the appropriate store
 - https://docs.expo.io/versions/latest/distribution/building-standalone-apps
 - https://docs.expo.io/versions/latest/distribution/app-stores
- Deploy new JS by republishing from the XDE or exp
 - Rebuild app and resubmit to store to change app metadata

Testing

- The term "testing" generally refers to automated testing
- As an application grows in size, manual testing gets more difficult
 - More complexity means more points of failure
- Adding a test suite ensures that you catch bugs before they get shipped
- How do we know which parts of our app to test?

Test Pyramid

- Methodology for determining test scale/granularity
- Unit tests
 - Test an individual unit of code (function/class/method)
- Integration/Service tests
 - Test the integration of multiple pieces of code working together, independent of the UI
- UI/End-to-end tests
 - Test a feature thoroughly including the UI, network calls, etc.

Unit Tests

- Test an individual unit of code (function/class/method)
- Very granular and easy to tell what is breaking
- The most basic test is a function that notifies you when behavior is unexpected
- Testing frameworks give you additional benefits
 - Run all tests instead of failing on first error
 - Pretty output
 - Automatically watch for changes
 - Mocked functions

Jest

- "Delightful JavaScript Testing"
- A testing framework by Facebook
- Install with npm install --save-dev jest
- Run with npx jest or by adding script to package.json
 - Will automatically find and run any files that end in .test.js (or any other regex expression that you specify)

Jest: Testing Redux Actions

- We can replace our functions with Jest's expect(), toBe(), and toEqual()
- We can use snapshots to compare the output of a function to the previous output of the function
 - We get notified if the output changes
 - We don't need to rewrite tests if the change was intended
- Which should we use?
 - Use toBe() for primitives
 - Use toEqual() for objects that shouldn't change
 - Use snapshots for objects that may change

Jest: Testing Async Redux Actions

- Async functions add multiple difficulties
 - We have to wait for the result before testing against the result
 - Our tests may rely on imported libs
 - Our tests may rely on external services
- If we return a Promise, Jest will wait for it to resolve
 - Jest also supports async/await
- Jest supports mocking functions
- Dependency injection
 - Pass functions on which other functions rely as arguments
 - Allows us to mock functions that rely on external services

Integration Tests

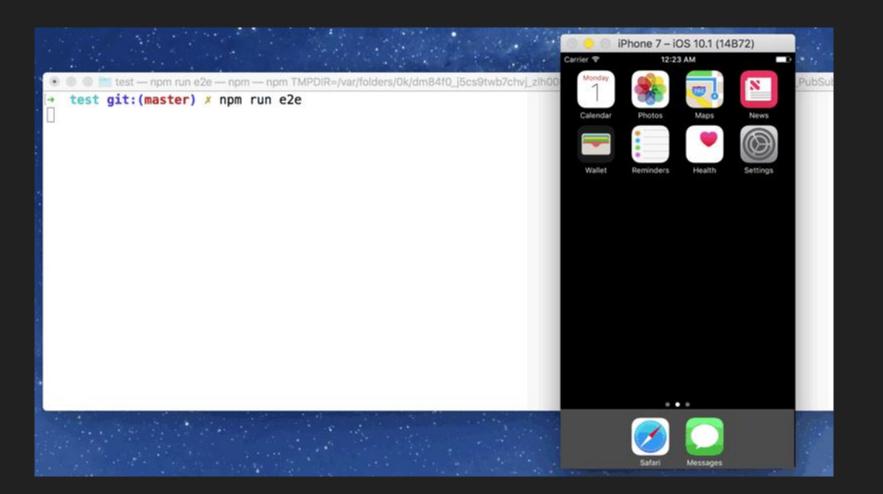
- We can use Jest's snapshot testing to test components
- react-test-renderer allows us to render components outside the context of an app
 - https://reactjs.org/docs/test-renderer.html
- jest-expo has all the configuration you need
 - https://github.com/expo/jest-expo

Code Coverage

- Metric for tracking how well-tested an application is
 - Statements: How many statements in the program have been executed?
 - Branches: How many of the possible code paths have been executed?
 - Functions: How many of the defined function been executed?
 - Lines: How many of the lines have been executed?
- Get coverage report by passing --coverage to jest

End-To-End Tests

- There is currently no easy way to run automated e2e tests in react native
- There is an awesome work-in-progress by Wix called Detox
 - https://github.com/wix/detox
 - https://github.com/expo/with-detox-tests
 - Lacks Android support



Thanks!