

#### React Hooks

useMemo() Explained





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- Performance Optimization
- Avoiding unneccessary re-renders by memoizing a value
- Used in heavy computations such as filtering a large dataset or complex mathematical calculation

#### useMemo() Syntax



 Like other hooks, useMemo() also takes a callback function and a dependency array

```
const memoizedValue = useMemo(() =>
expensiveComputation(a,b), [a, b]);
```

#### ••• useMemo() Syntax Explained

- The function passed as a callback is expensiveComputation(a, b)
- This calculates the result but takes a lot of time and if the parameters a and b remain same, there is no need to calculate the result again
- Instead, we want to calculate the result only if either of a or b changes



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- Hence, as a second parameter in the useMemo() Hook, we are passing a dependency array
- That means the callback function is called only when either of the parameters in dependency array changes
- If they remain same, useMemo() Hook returns the memoized value







```
const [searchTerm, setSearchTerm] = useState("");

const filteredItems = useMemo(() => {
  return items.filter((item) => item.includes(searchTerm))
)}, [searchTerm]);
```

 If user enters same value in the search bar, useMemo() will return the stored value without filtering again in the huge dataset







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- The filter function is called only if the searchTerm changes
- This increases the performance by avoiding unnecessary recalculations



## \*\*\* useMemo(): When to Avoid?

- If the calculation is not expensive and complex, avoid using useMemo()
   because of Over-Optimization
- Memoized values are stored in the memory, hence if the operation is not expensive it costs us unnecessary extra memory

## \*\*\* useMemo(): How it works?

- The result of the function executed for the first time is stored internally by React
- This internal storage is not accessible to the user directly
- useMemo() returns the previously computed value from its internal cache



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