

## [lecture - 8]

[Let's get classy]

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### Class Based Components →

In our about us page we will show information of the team members by the feature we will add using Class Based Component.

- First we will write functional component then we will modify to Class Based Component

user.js → const User = () => {

return (

<div className = "user-card">

<h2> Name: Rajesh </h2>

<h3> location: Faridabad </h3>

<h4> contact: @RajeshJen </h4>

</div>

);

};

Export default User;

UserClass.js → **Class Based Component**

- It's a normal JS Class

- Render method returning some piece of JSX

"extends React.Component" will make react know that this is a class based component, now React will start tracking it.

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`class UserClass extends React.Component {`

~~return~~ render () {

return (

`<div className = "user-card">`

`<h2> Name : Rajesh </h2>`

`<h3> location : hyderabad. </h3>`

`<h4> contact : @Rajeshjey </h4>`

`</div>`

`);`

`}`

`}`

`export default UserClass ;`

- Render method will return some piece of JSX which will be displayed onto the UI.
- Similarly if we compare it with functional component (a function that returns some piece of JSX)
- Class Based Component is a class which has a render method which returns some piece of JSX.  
This is the JSX which will be converted into HTML and rendered onto the webpage.
- **React.Component** is basically a class which is given to us by React and **UserClass** is inheriting some properties from it.

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- we will have to import from somewhere

Import React from "react";

About.js → Import UserClass from "./UserClass";

```
const About = () => {
  return (
    <div>
      <h1> About </h1>
      <h2> Name: </h2> React
      <UserClass />
    </div>
  );
}
```

Export default About;

```
props →
<UserClass name={"Rajesh (Class)"} />
```

```
UserClass.js →
class UserClass extends React.Component {
```

constructor(props){

Super(props):

```
}
```

→ why do we write super(props) ?

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render () {

return (

<div>

<h2> Name: { this.props.name } </h2>

<h2> location: { this.props.location } </h2>

destructuring →

render () {

const { name, location } = this.props;

return (

<div>

<h2> Name: { name } </h2>

<h2> location: { location } </h2>

Q: How we can create state / local variable inside our Class Based Component?

A: Functional component & Hooks are very new concept inside React, earlier there used to be no hooks & functional component, so there was an old way of creating state.

• When we say we are creating instance of class Based Component → we are loading a class Based component on our web page.

• whenever we create instance of a class this constructor is called and this is the best

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destructuring  $\rightarrow$  const { count } = this.state;

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place to receive prop and say the best place to create State Variable.

- this.state, it is basically a big ~~object~~ whole Object which contains state Variables.

class UserClass extends React.Component {

```
constructor(props) {  
    super(props);
```

this.state = {

Count: 0,

}

}

render() {

const { name, location } = this.props;

return (

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this.Count: {this.state.Count}

<h2> Name: {name} </h2>

This> Location: {location} </h3>

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→ `this.state = {`

`count: 0,`

`Count2: 2,`

`}`

`render() {`

`const {count, count2} = this.state;`

`return (`

`<div>`

`<h1> Count: {count} </h1>`

`<h2> Count2: {count2} </h2>`

Q.7 How we can update the state variables;

A.7 Never update state variable directly.

`this.state.count = this.state.count + 1`

Wrong method, it creates inconsistency

→ `<h1> Count: {count} </h1>`

`<button>`

`onClick={() => {`

`this.setState({`

`Count: this.state.Count + 1`

`)};`

`} } >`

Count increase </button>

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• React will re-render the component, and ~~also~~ will change this portion of HTML.

• If we are sending just "Count" for increment purpose, it will only update "Count" in state variable, it will not touch "Count2".

∴ life cycle of React Class Based Component :

Q. How this component is mounted on a web page?

A) About Us component is the parent component. And user class is inside this About Us component so when we load / render About Us component in the web page, when it goes live by line and see the class Based component over there so it starts loading the class Based component, it goes the class Based component and now a new instance of this class is created and what happens when this class is called or this class is instantiated so what happens is the constructor is called.

Once the constructor is called then render is called

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• Import React from "react";

class UserClass extends React.Component {

or

• import {Component} from "react";

class UserClass extends Component {

• Parent constructor → Parent Render → Child constructor



Child Render

→ This is how the life cycle works.

→ Another method in Class Based Component is

ComponentDidMount()

class UserClass extends React.Component {

→ constructor (props) { --- }

}

→ ComponentDidMount () { --- }

}

→ render () { --- }

}

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When this component is loaded first of all its constructor is called then the render method is called and once this class Base of Component is mounted onto the DOM then the Component's Mount is called.

→ suppose, if we have this → componentDidMount inside our parent Component → Above Us, it is also In this order will these function be called

Parent constructor → Parent render → Child constructor → Child render → Child componentDidMount → parent ComponentDidMount

• so this ComponentDidMount is called once the component has been completely mounted onto the webpage

• This is the life cycle of the parent child relationship.

• Why componentDidMount is used?

→ So there are some things that we do once the component is mounted successfully.

→ ComponentDidMount is used to make API call

But why we do API call in componentDidMount?

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- First of all we load our component, once the component is loaded with basic details then we make an API call and fill the details, so that react component loads very fast.
- React doesn't wait for API to call to return the result then load it.

→ In react component if we make an API call ~~we don't want to~~, we want to render the component once make an API call and then fill the data inside the component, we ~~don't want API to~~ wait for API to return the data to render the component, otherwise the component will not render and it will keep on waiting for the data to come from the API, react works to quickly render it than make an API call and then fill feed data.

Q. Parent have multiple children (Same →

UserClass.js)

About.js →

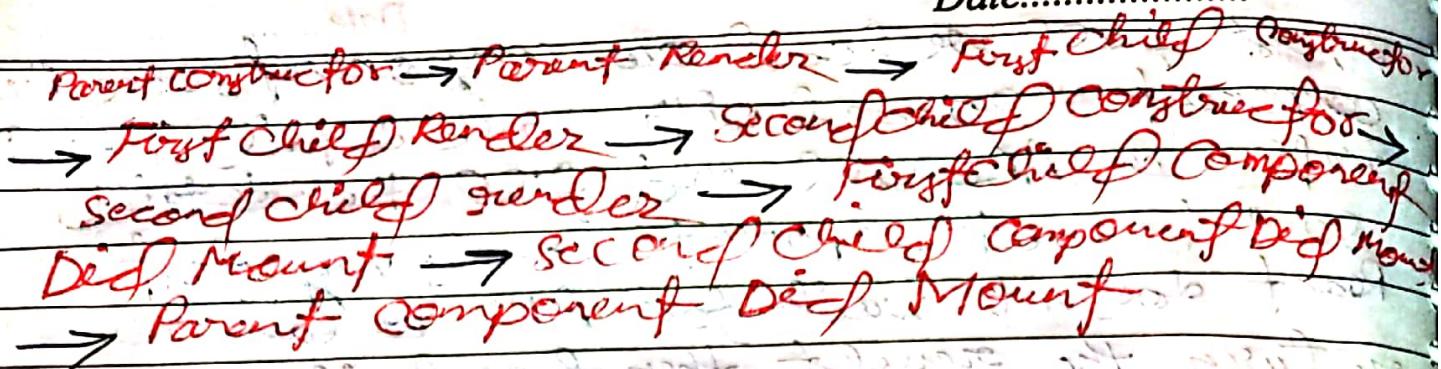
render() {

return (

    >UserClass name = {"First"}

    >UserClass name = {"Second"}

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But why did the life cycle method work like this?

### React lifecycle methods Diagram

→ React has 2 phases -

(1) Render Phase      (2) Commit Phase

- first of all constructor is called, then the render method is called then actually react updates the DOM, once the DOM is updated then componentDidMount is called.

- Render phase → (1) constructor  
(2) Render

Commit Phase → (1) Update the DOM  
(2) ComponentDidMount is called

- Because there are 2 children, react optimizes this, react will not call the componentDidMount of the first child first but it will do is it will just batch the Render phase for these 2 child.

- These 2 child render phase will happen then commit phase will happen together.

Render phase is batched  $\rightarrow$  Commit Phase is batched & completed

But why it is doing that like this?

As React is batching up the render phase for multiple children because once the commit phase starts react tries to update the DOM and DOM manipulation is the most expensive thing when we are updating a component, it takes a lot of time. So React wants to batch the render (React calls the constructor, when the React is rendering in the render phase it basically triggering the reconciliation and in this reconciliation ~~it checks~~ it finds out the diff between these virtual DOM, everything in Render Phase is happening inside the virtual DOM), every thing in Render Phase is happening inside the virtual DOM, in render phase React is finding the diff then the commit happens because it takes the time, then DOM manipulation happens.

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• API call →

```
async componentDidMount() {
```

```
const data = await fetch("https://api.github.com/  
users/mayurjha2000");
```

```
const json = await data.json();
```

}

at first frame it will return

→ we will create a local state variable on top of  
it and will put that data into that

```
this.state = {
```

```
userInfo: {
```

  username: "ABC", ~~Default Value~~

  location: "XYZ",

}

}

}

}

→ we will now update a state variable after  
we have got the data inside our apicall in

```
async componentDidMount() {
```

```
  this.setState({
```

```
    userInfo: json,
```

}

```
render () {
```

```
const { name, location } = this.state.userInfo;
```

```
return (
```

```
<div>
```

```
They Name : {name} </h2>
```

```
<h3> Location : {location} </h3>
```

Q. How the whole life cycle of this works?

A. First of all, as soon as the **UserClass** was loaded **the constructor** was called and when the constructor was called (**this.state** had default value) then **Render** happens, state variable had default value, so the **render** happens with the default value (our component renders with the default value of state variable) ex → **name : "Abc"**, **location : "xyz"** on to the web page.

- That means React will update DOM with dummy (default) data.
- Now our **ComponentDidMount** was called, now API call was made it called **this.setState**.

**The Mounting Cycle** happened, now we will see the **Updating Cycle**.

- When we call `this.setState` our Update Cycle begins
- Mounting Cycle finished when the component was rendered once. (with dummy data) we didn't wait for API call to finish, component rendered quickly with dummy data, so that user see something, instead we can show some Shimmer UI.
- Updating happens when `setState` is called, `setState` updates the state variable, when the state variable is updated React triggers the Render function once again, Constructor is called just once.
- Now the Render happens beef very fine the state variable has been change it with update() value.
- In the Update cycle react will now update the DOM.
- React will calculate the diff and it will update the DOM with the new values now.
- Now the Update Cycle says now it will call the component DidUpdate.

Mounting → Updating → Unmounting

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- Just like we had componentDidMount we had componentDidUpdate also.

- componentWillUnmount → This function is called just before our component is unmounted. unmount means when the component will disappear/disabling from the UI.

- componentWillUnmount will be called when the component is gone from the page, i.e. we will go to the new page the earlier component will unmount.

- Never Compare React's Life cycle method to Functional component.

- Don't compare componentDidMount with useEffect

- like when we don't put Dependency Array in useEffect, then it is called after every render, now things are different. in Class Based Component after first render componentDidMount is called and after every subsequent render it is updated, it is not mounted.

→ There is a difference bet<sup>n</sup> Mount, Update & Unmount

- useEffect ( ) → {  
  , count, }  
    }

- componentDidUpdate ( nextProps, prevState ) {  
    if ( this.state.count != prevState.count ) {  
      --

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useEffect(() => {  
-->, [count, count2]);  
componentDidUpdate(prevProps,  
prevState) {  
if (this.state.count != prevState.count  
|| this.state.count2 != prevState.count2)  
{  
-->  
}  
}

→ So the array present in useEffect because earlier people used to write multiple State Variable condition in if-else condition.

So there can be multiple State variable that's why array is present over there.

→ If we want to do something like we want 2 different things after change in state Variable count & count2

useEffect(() => {  
abc  
}, [count]);

useEffect(() => {  
xyz  
}, [count2]);

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And this something if we want to do in  
Class Based Component →

componentDidUpdate (prevProps, prevState) {

if (

this.state.count != prevState.count

) {

abc

}

if (

this.state.count2 != prevState.count2

) {

xyz

}

→ these if-else Statement used to go so long,  
like 30-40 lines.

Q> What is the main use of **ComponentWillUnmount**

A> Clean Up.

→ What type of clean up when we move from one to other component

→ Let's take an example -

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→ componentDidMount () {

setInterval ( () => {

console.log ("Namaste.");

}, 1000)

}

- It started calling "Namaste" after each second and if we move to another component, it is still calling.  
This is the cons of SPA.

- If we move back to that component where we have written this code then "Namaste" is calling twice after each second, it started two intervals

→ This is the problem of SPA because it is not reloading our page, it is just changing the component, every time we come to this component it sets new interval 3, 4, 5 ...

It is a performance loss.

→ That's why we want to unmount things

→ we will use clearInterval in componentWillUnmount

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ComponentDidMount () {

this.timer = ~~set~~ setInterval (( ) => {

console.log ("Namaste");

}, 1000);

}

componentWillUnmount () {

clearInterval (this.timer);

}

useEffect ( ) => {

setInterval ( ) => {

console.log ("Namaste");

}, 1000);

→ It will also behave like earlier one, we  
~~also~~ also have to clear it (unmounting)

useEffect ( ) => {

const timer = setInterval (( ) => {

console.log ("Namaste");

}, 1000);

return () => {

clearInterval (timer);

}

}, [ ]);

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- Unmounting/Cleaning will happen if we switch to another component.

Q-Why do we write constructor(props) & super(props)

Q-Why → any Component Did Mount

Why we can't use ~~async~~ in ~~useEffect~~ call back

~~useEffect(async () =>~~

})

2. ~~(i) Side Effect~~

3. ~~(ii) Dependency~~

4. ~~(iii) Initialization~~

5. ~~(iv) Error Handling~~

2. ~~(i) Side Effect~~

3. ~~(ii) Dependency~~

4. ~~(iii) Initialization~~