PWA EXP8

Aim: To code and register a service worker, and complete the install and activation process for a new service worker for the E-commerce PWA.

Theory:

Service Worker

Service Worker is a script that works on browser background without user interaction independently. Also, It resembles a proxy that works on the user side. With this script, you can track network traffic of the page, manage push notifications and develop "offline first" web applications with Cache API.

Things to note about Service Worker:

• A service worker is a programmable network proxy that lets you control how network

requests from your page are handled.

• Service workers only run over HTTPS. Because service workers can intercept network

requests and modify responses, "man-in-the-middle" attacks could be very bad.

• The service worker becomes idle when not in use and restarts when it's next needed.

You cannot rely on a global state persisting between events. If there is information that

you need to persist and reuse across restarts, you can use IndexedDB databases. What can we do with Service Workers?

• You can manage all network traffic of the page and do any manipulations. For example,

when the page requests a CSS file, you can send plain text as a response or when the

page requests an HTML file, you can send a png file as a response. You can also send a

true response too.

You can Cache

You can cache any request/response pair with Service Worker and Cache API and you

can access these offline content anytime.

You can manage Push Notifications

You can manage push notifications with Service Worker and show any information message to the user.

You can Continue

Although Internet connection is broken, you can start any process with Background Sync

of Service Worker.

What can't we do with Service Workers?

You can't access the Window

You can't access the window, therefore, You can't manipulate DOM elements. But, you

can communicate to the window through post Message and manage processes that you

want.

• You can't work it on 80 Port

Service Worker just can work on HTTPS protocol. But you can work on localhost during

development.

Codes:

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//Serviceworker.js
// sw.js - Complete Service Worker for E-commerce PWA
const CACHE_NAME = "ecommerce-pwa-v2";
const urlsToCache = ["/", "/index.html", "/offline.html", "/css/main.min.css", "/js/app.min.js"];
self.addEventListener("install", (event) => {
 event.waitUntil(
  caches.open(CACHE_NAME).then((cache) => {
   console.log("[Service Worker] Caching files");
   return cache.addAll(urlsToCache);
  })
 );
});
self.addEventListener("activate", (event) => {
 event.waitUntil(
  caches.keys().then((cacheNames) => {
   return Promise.all(
    cacheNames.map((cache) => {
      if (cache !== CACHE_NAME) {
       console.log("[Service Worker] Deleting old cache:", cache);
       return caches.delete(cache);
      }
    })
   );
  })
 );
});
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self.addEventListener("fetch", (event) => {
 event.respondWith(
  fetch(event.request).catch(() => caches.match(event.request).then((response) => {
   return response || caches.match("/offline.html");
 }))
);
});
// Fetch Event
// ============
self.addEventListener('fetch', (event) => {
const { request } = event;
const url = new URL(request.url);
// 1. Skip non-GET requests and chrome-extension
if (request.method !== 'GET' || url.protocol ===
'chrome-extension:') {
return;
}
// 2. API Requests (Network First with Cache Fallback)
if (url.pathname.startsWith('/api/')) {
event.respondWith(
fetch(request)
.then(networkResponse => {
// Cache successful API responses
if (networkResponse.ok) {
const clone = networkResponse.clone();
caches.open(API CACHE)
.then(cache => cache.put(request, clone));
}
return networkResponse;
})
.catch(() => {
// Return cached version if available
return caches.match(request)
.then(cachedResponse => cachedResponse || Response.json(
{ error: 'Network error' },
{ status: 503 }
));
})
);
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return;
}
// 3. Static Assets (Cache First with Network Fallback)
event.respondWith(
caches.match(request)
.then(cachedResponse => {
// Return cached version if found
if (cachedResponse) {
return cachedResponse;
// Otherwise fetch from network
return fetch(request)
.then(networkResponse => {
// Cache successful responses
if (networkResponse.ok) {
const clone = networkResponse.clone();
caches.open(CACHE NAME)
.then(cache => cache.put(request, clone));
}
return networkResponse;
})
.catch(() => {
// Special handling for HTML pages
if (request.headers.get('accept').includes('text/html')) {
return caches.match('/offline.html');
}
// Return placeholder for images
if (request.headers.get('accept').includes('image')) {
return caches.match('/images/placeholder-product.jpg');
}
});
})
);
});
// ===========
// Background Sync
// ===========
self.addEventListener('sync', (event) => {
if (event.tag === 'sync-cart') {
event.waitUntil(
// Get cart data from IndexedDB
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getCartData()
.then(cartItems => {
return fetch('/api/cart/sync', {
method: 'POST',
headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' },
body: JSON.stringify(cartItems)
});
})
.then(() => {
return showNotification('Cart Synced', 'Your cart has been
updated');
})
.catch(err => {
console.error('Sync failed:', err);
})
);
}
});
// ===========
// Push Notifications
// ============
self.addEventListener('push', (event) => {
let data = {};
try {
data = event.data.json();
} catch (e) {
data = {
title: 'New Update',
body: 'Check out our latest products!',
icon: '/icons/icon-192x192.png',
url: '/'
};
const options = {
body: data.body,
icon: data.icon | '/icons/icon-192x192.png',
badge: '/icons/icon-96x96.png',
data: {
url: data.url || '/'
}
};
event.waitUntil(
self.registration.showNotification(data.title, options)
);
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});
self.addEventListener('notificationclick', (event) => {
event.notification.close();
event.waitUntil(
clients.matchAll({ type: 'window' })
.then(clientList => {
for (const client of clientList) {
if (client.url === event.notification.data.url && 'focus' in
client) {
return client.focus();
}
if (clients.openWindow) {
return clients.openWindow(event.notification.data.url);
}
})
);
});
// ============
// Helper Functions
// ===========
async function getCartData() {
// In a real app, you would use IndexedDB
return new Promise(resolve => {
resolve([]);
});
async function showNotification(title, body) {
return self.registration.showNotification(title, { body });
}
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Output:

