.NET App Dev Hands-On Workshop

Blazor Lab 2 – Page/Component Life Cycle

This lab begins the work with ASP.NET Core Blazor WebAssembly (WASM). Before starting this lab, you must have completed Blazor Lab 1.

Part 1: Add the Logger Utility

• Create a new folder named services in the AutoLot.Blazor project. In that folder, create a new class file named OutputLog.cs. Update the code to the following:

```
namespace AutoLot.Blazor.Services;

public class OutputLog
{
   public List<string> Data = new List<string>();
   public void Log(string message)
   {
      Data.Add(message);
   }
}
```

• Add a new file named GlobalUsings.cs to the root of the AutoLot.Blazor project. Update the new class to the following:

global using AutoLot.Blazor.Services;

• Add the logger into the DI container by adding the following to the Program.cs file in AutoLot.Blazor: builder.Services.AddTransient<OutputLog>();

Part 2: Add the Life Cycle Component

• Create a new folder named Shared in the AutoLot.Blazor project. In that folder, add a new Razor component named LifeCycle.razor. Update the markup to the following:

```
@inject OutputLog Logger;
<h3>LifeCycle Events</h3>
@foreach (var line in Logger.Data)
{
   @line
   <br />
}
```

• Update the @code block to the following:

```
@code {
  private bool _rendered;
  private bool _shouldRender;
  DateTime _created;
  private int _counter;
  [Parameter]
  public int Counter
    get => _counter;
    set
      _counter = value;
     Logger.Log("----");
      Logger.Log($"Counter setter: set to {_counter}");
    }
  }
  public override Task SetParametersAsync(ParameterView parameters)
    Logger.Log("----");
    Logger.Log("SetParametersSetAsync called");
    _shouldRender = true;
    if (parameters.TryGetValue(nameof(Counter), out int counter))
      // ignore odd values
     if (counter % 2 == 0)
        _shouldRender = false;
      }
    }
    return base.SetParametersAsync(parameters);
  protected override void OnInitialized()
    _rendered = false;
    Logger.Log("----");
    Logger.Log("OnInitialized In");
    base.OnInitialized();
    Logger.Log("OnInitialized Out");
  protected override void OnParametersSet()
    Logger.Log("-----");
    Logger.Log("OnParametersSet In");
    base.OnParametersSet();
    Logger.Log("OnParametersSet Out");
  public void Dispose() => Logger.Log("Disposed");
```

```
protected override bool ShouldRender()
   Logger.Log("-----");
   Logger.Log($"ShouldRender In");
   var result = base.ShouldRender();
   Logger.Log($"ShouldRender: {result}");
   Logger.Log($"ShouldRender Out");
   return result;
 protected override void OnAfterRender(bool firstRender)
   Logger.Log("----");
   Logger.Log($"OnAfterRender In First:{firstRender}");
   base.OnAfterRender(firstRender);
   Logger.Log($"OnAfterRender Out First:{firstRender}");
   if (!_rendered)
     rendered = true;
     StateHasChanged();
   }
 }
 //Optionally add in the async versions
 //protected override async Task OnInitializedAsync()
 //{
 // Logger.Log("----");
 // Logger.Log("OnInitializedAsync in called");
 // await base.OnInitializedAsync();
 // Logger.Log("OnInitializedAsync out called");
 //}
 //protected override async Task OnParametersSetAsync()
 //{
 // Logger.Log("----");
 // Logger.Log("OnParametersSetAsync in called");
 // await base.OnParametersSetAsync();
 // Logger.Log("OnParametersSetAsync out called");
 //}
 //protected override async Task OnAfterRenderAsync(bool firstRender)
 //{
 // Logger.Log("----");
 // Logger.Log($"OnAfterRenderAsync in FirstRender = {firstRender}");
 // await base.OnAfterRenderAsync(firstRender);
 // Logger.Log($"OnAfterRenderAsync out FirstRender = {firstRender}");
 //}
}
```

• Add the following to the _Imports.razor file:

@using AutoLot.Blazor.Shared

Part 3: Add the Blazor Life Cycle Page

• In the Pages folder in AutoLot.Blazor, add a new Razor component named BlazorLifeCycle.razor. Update the markup and code to the following:

```
@page "/blazor-life-cycle"

<PageTitle>LifeCycle</PageTitle>
<h3>Blazor LifeCycle</h3>
<LifeCycle Counter="@_counter"/>
<button @onclick="IncreaseCounter">Increase Counter</button>
@code
{
    int _counter = 1;
    public void IncreaseCounter()
    {
        _counter++;
    }
}
```

• In the Layout folder in AutoLot.Blazor, update the NavMenu.razor component to add the new page to the menu. Add the following to the component:

```
<NavLink class="nav-link" href="blazor-life-cycle">
  LifeCycle <span class="fa-solid fa-bolt-lightning ps-2" aria-hidden="true"></span>
</NavLink>
```

Summary

This completes the BlazorLifeCycle page.

Next Steps

The following lab will add the models and view models.