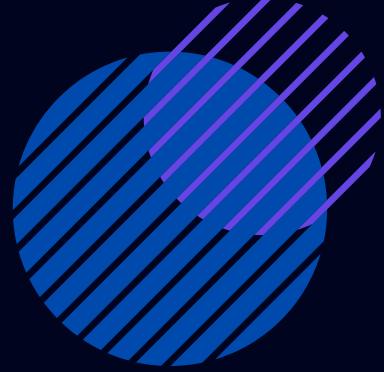


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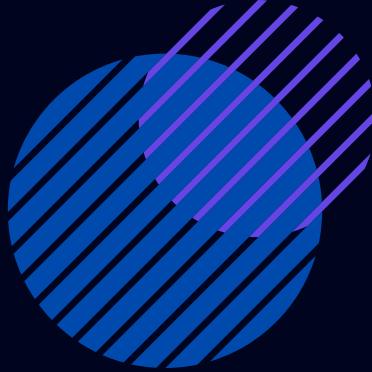
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Traditional Lifecycle Methods

React class components offer key lifecycle methods like **componentDidMount**, **componentDidUpdate**, and **componentWillUnmount** etc. for managing component behavior throughout their lifecycle.



Enter the `useEffect` Hook

Functional components introduced the **useEffect** hook, providing a more elegant way to handle side effects and to replicate lifecycle behavior.

Replicating `componentDidMount`

To mimic `componentDidMount`, use `useEffect` with an empty dependency array. Your code runs once after the initial render



```
import React, { useEffect } from 'react';

function MyComponent() {
  useEffect(() => {
    // Code here runs after the initial render
  }, []);
}

return <div>My Component</div>;
}
```

Replicating `componentDidUpdate`

To replicate `componentDidUpdate`, specify the state or props you want to watch in the dependency array. The code inside `useEffect` runs when those dependencies change.



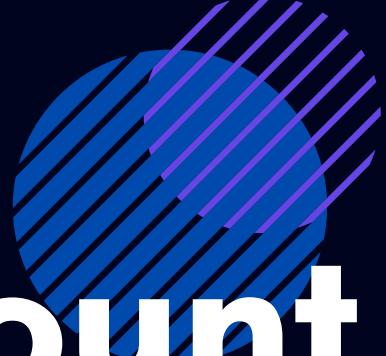
```
import React, { useEffect, useState } from 'react';

function MyComponent({ data }) {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(0);

  useEffect(() => {
    // Code here runs after the initial render
  }, [count]);

  return <div>My Component</div>;
}
```

Replicating componentWillUnmount



Clean up resources when your component unmounts by returning a cleanup function inside `useEffect`. This function runs when the component is about to unmount.



```
function MyComponent({ data }) {  
  
  useEffect(() => {  
    // Code here runs after the initial render  
    return () => {  
      // Cleanup code, runs when the component unmounts  
    };  
  }, []);  
  
  return <div>My Component</div>;  
}
```

Replicating `componentWillReceiveProps`



To replicate `componentWillReceiveProps`, compare the previous and current props within `useEffect`. This allows you to react to prop changes.



```
function MyComponent({ data }) {  
  const prevPropsRef = useRef() ;  
  useEffect(() => {  
    if (prevPropsRef.current) {  
      // Compare previous and current props here  
    }  
    prevPropsRef.current = data;  
  }, [data]);  
  
  return <div>My Component</div>;  
}
```

Replicating shouldComponentUpdate

To replicate `shouldComponentUpdate`, use `useEffect` to control whether a component re-renders based on prop or state changes.



```
function MyComponent({ data }) {  
  const [shouldUpdate, setShouldUpdate] = useState(true);  
  
  useEffect(() => {  
    if (shouldUpdate) {  
      // Render component based on prop or state changes  
    }  
  }, [data, shouldUpdate]);  
  
  return <div>My Component</div>;  
}
```



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