Axios Library

- Axios is a Promise-based HTTP client for JavaScript which can be used in your frontend application and in your Node.js backend.
- Axios is a lightweight HTTP client based on the XMLHttpRequests service. It is similar to the Fetch API and is used to perform HTTP requests
- Axios is a promise-based HTTP client that works both in the browser and in a Node.js environment.
- Axios is a client HTTP API based on the XMLHttpRequest interface provided by browsers.
- The Axios library wraps the complex XHR syntax and provides an abstract and declarative way to make requests from the browser as well as in a node environment.
- Axios is similar to the Fetch API and is used to perform HTTP requests
- By using Axios it is easy to send asynchronous HTTP request to REST endpoints and perform CRUD operations.
- The Axios library can be used in your plain JavaScript application or can be used together with more advanced frameworks like Vue.js, ReactJS, AngularJS etc.
- The first version of Axios was released around 5 years ago, and its open-source code is available on GitHub. Axios has multiple contributors that have contributed to each version of Axios.
- Axios is one of those recommenced libraries that used with ReactJs.
- Axios supports all modern browsers, including support for IE8, edge and higher.
- Axios is also free and open-source.

Features of Axios Library

- Make XMLHttpRequests from the browser.
- Make http requests from node.js.
- Supports the Promise API.
- Intercept request and response.
- Transform request and response data.
- It has the ability to cancel requests.
- Automatic transforms for JSON data.
- It enables client-side protection against XSRF.
- It has built-in support for download progress.

Advantages of Axios Library

- Request and response interception.
- Streamlined error handling.
- Protection against XSRF or CSRF.
- Support for upload progress.
- Axios has a way to set a response timeout.
- The ability to cancel requests.
- Support for older browsers.
- Automatic JSON data transformation.
- Lightweight library.

Axios Library Vs Fetch API

Axios Library

- Axios is a 3rd party library.
- Axios performs automatic JSON data transformation.
- Axios supported by older as well as newer browsers.
- Axios provides Simple & Cleaner Syntax.
- Built-in CSRF (or, XSRF) protection.
- Axios' response data contains the object.
- Axios request is ok when status is 200 and statusText is 'OK'.
- "Axios" uses the "data" property in order to send the data.
- Axios allows cancelling request and request timeout.
- Axios, will reject the request promise if 4xx or 5xx series error status codes is returned.
- Better error handling.

Fetch API

- Fetch is built into most modern browsers; no installation is required as such.
- Fetch uses a two-step process when dealing with JSON data.
- Fetch is supported by modern web browsers as it has modern JavaScript syntax.
- Fetch API makes your code complex.
- Fetch API has no protection feature.
- Fetch's response body has to be stringified.
- Fetch request is ok when response object contains the ok property.
- "fetch()" uses the "body" property in order to send the data.
- Fetch doesn't have cancelling request and request timeout feature.
- When using Fetch, if the server returns a 4xx or 5xx series error, your catch() method callback won't be called / invoked / triggered.
- No error handling process.

Axios Library Vs Fetch API Syntax

Fetch API

```
fetch('/', {
    // configuration
})
.then(response => response.json())
.then(response => {
    // do something with data
})
```

Axios Library

```
axios({
   url: '/',
   // configuration
})
.then(response => {
   // do something with JSON response data
})
```

Axios Library Alternatives

We have following alternative to axios that includes :-

- JavaScript "XMLHttpRequest" Object.
- JavaScript "fetch()" Method.
- JQuery "\$.ajax()" Method.

Axios Environmental Setup

Axios does not come as a native JavaScript API, so we will have to manually import into our project. To get started, we have following ways to do this:-

a) By Using CDN

Axios CDN Link:

<script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/axios/0.21.1/axios.min.js"></script>

b) By Using NPM

Command to install "Axios" Using "NPM" --> npm install axios

c) By Using Yarn

Command to install "Axios" Using "Yarn" --> yarn add axios

d) VSCode Extensions

We have following extensions related to axios in VSCode editor :-

- 1) Axios Snippets --> Yggdrasill-7C9
- 2) Axios Snippets --> presidentma
- 3) Axios Snippets --> Loyalpotato

note:-

- We cannot import axios library using ES6 "import" statement because axios doesn't provide an export statement in "axios.min.js / axios.js" module.
- Use, "Axios Library" with "CDN links".

Example -- Linking from "node_modules" folder

This method is useful when we install "axios" using "npm / yarn".

Index.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
      <html lang="en">
       <head>
         <meta charset="UTF-8">
         <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">
         <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
         <title>Document</title>
       </head>
      <body>
           <script src="./node_modules/axios/dist/axios.min.js" > </script>
         <script src="app.js"> </script>
      </body>
      </html>
app.js
      axios.get('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1')
        .then(response => {
        // Handle the successful response here
         console.log('Response data:', response.data);
       })
        .catch(error => {
        // Handle any errors that occurred during the request
         console.error('Error:', error);
       });
```

Example -- Linking directly from "cdnjs"

This method is useful when we use "axios" from "cdnjs".

index.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
</head>
<body>
  <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/axios/dist/axios.min.js"></script>
  <script src="app.js"></script>
</body>
</html>
axios.get('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1')
 .then(response => {
```

app.js

```
// Handle the successful response here
 console.log('Response data:', response.data);
})
.catch(error => {
 // Handle any errors that occurred during the request
 console.error('Error:', error);
});
```

Axios Library Syntax

Syntax 1 -- Without "Async-Await" Syntax

```
let config = {
         method: 'get',
                                         //use method : 'post' to post data
         url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1', // API endpoint
                                         // Payload to send
         data: {name:'tushar'},
         responseType: 'json'
                                         // Response type (optional)
      }
       let axiosData = axios(config)
       axiosData.then((res) => {
         console.log(res.data)
      }).catch((err) => {
         console.log(err)
      })
Syntax 2 -- With "Async-Await" Syntax
       async function sendData() {
        try {
         const config = {
          method: 'get',
                                         //use method : 'post' to post data
          url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1', // API endpoint
          data: { name: 'tushar'},
                                         // Payload to send
          responseType: 'json'
                                         // Response type (optional)
         const response = await axios(config); // Await the Axios request
         console.log(response.data); // Log the response data
        } catch (error) {
         console.error(error.message); // Log the error message
        }
       sendData();
```

Axios Library Shorthand Methods & Properties

Axios also provides more functions to make other network requests as well, matching the HTTP verbs that you wish to execute, such as :-

- axios.request(config)
- axios.get(url[, config])
- axios.delete(url[, config])
- axios.head(url[, config])
- axios.options(url[, config])
- axios.post(url[, data[, config]])
- axios.put(url[, data[, config]])
- axios.patch(url[, data[, config]])

Also, the response object from a request contains the following information: -

- response.data --> The response provided by the server.
- response.status --> The HTTP status code from the server response.
- response.statusText --> HTTP status message from the server response.
- response.headers --> The headers that the server responded with.
- response.config --> The config that was provided to axios for the request.
- response.request --> The request that generated this response.

Examples of Axios Library

a). Axios with "get()" request

Example -- Fetching data from a text file

```
let config = {
    method : 'get',
    url : 'axiosData.txt'
}

let axiosData = axios(config)
axiosData.then((res) => {
    console.log(res)
    console.log(res.data)
}).catch((err) => {
    console.log(err)
})
```

Example -- Fetching data from a Remote API

```
let config = {
    method : 'get',
    url : 'https://api.github.com/users'
}
let axiosData = axios(config)
axiosData.then((res) => {
    console.log(res.data[0])
}).catch((err) => {
    console.log(err)
})
```

```
Example -- Using the shorthand method with axios
       let axiosData = axios.get('axiosData.txt').then((res) => {
         console.log(res.data)
      }).catch((err) => {
         console.log(err)
      })
Example -- Axios by default called with "get()" method
       let axiosData = axios('axiosData.txt').then((res) => {
         console.log(res.data)
      }).catch((err) => {
         console.log(err)
      })
Example -- Using Parameters in "Axios" Request
       let axiosData = axios('axiosData.txt',{method : 'get'})
       .then((res) => {
         console.log(res.data)
      }).catch((err) => {
         console.log(err)
      })
Example -- Using Parameters in "Axios" Request
       let config = {
         method: 'get'
       let axiosData = axios('axiosData.txt',config)
       .then((res) => {
         console.log(res.data)
      }).catch((err) => {
         console.log(err)
      })
```

```
Example -- Error Handling in Axios
       let axiosData = axios.get('axiosData.txt')
       .then((res) => {
         console.log(res.data)
      }).catch((err) => {
         console.log(err)
      }).then(() => {
         console.log("Promise Settled")
      })
Example -- Axios with "async-await"
       async function asyncAwait(){
           let config = {
           url: 'https://api.github.com/users',
           method: 'get'
         }
         let response = await axios(config)
         console.log(response)
      }
       asyncAwait()
Example -- Axios with "async-await"
       async function asyncAwait(){
         let response = await axios.get('axiosData.txt')
         console.log(response)
      }
       asyncAwait()
```

```
Example -- Axios with "async-await" & Error Handling
       async function asyncAwait(){
          try{
           let response = await axios.get('axiosData.txt')
           console.log(response)
         }catch(error){
            console.log(error)
         }
        }
       asyncAwait()
Example -- Printing data on webpage using json file
       async function asyncAwait(){
         try{
            let response = await axios.get('axiosData.json')
           let prntData = document.getElementById('abc');
           prntData.innerHTML = `Hello ${response.data.name} your age is
       ${response.data.age}`
         }catch(error){
           console.log(error)
         }
      }
       asyncAwait()
// for the above code, a <div> element with id="abc" is required in the html file.
Example -- Axios with "JSONPlaceholder"
       async function asyncAwait(){
           try{
           let response = await
       axios.get('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1')
            console.log(response)
           console.log(response.data)
         }catch(error){
           console.log(error)
         }
        }
       asyncAwait()
```

```
Example -- Axios with "JSONPlaceholder" With "params" Property
      function asyncAwait(){
          let config = {
           method: 'get',
           url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/',
           params : {id : 1}
         axios(config).then((res) => {
           console.log("Response Data: ",res.data)
           console.log("Response Data Title: ",res.data[0].title)
           console.log("Response Data Body: ",res.data[0].body)
         }).catch((err) => {
           console.log(err)
         })
        }
      asyncAwait()
Example -- Axios with "JSONPlaceholder"
      async function asyncAwait(){
         try{
           let response = await axios.get('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts')
           console.log(response)
           console.log(response.data[0].id)
           console.log(response.data[0].title)
           console.log(response.data[0].body)
         }catch(error){
           console.log(error)
         }
      asyncAwait()
```

```
Example -- Handling Multiple Data using "forEach()" Loop
       function asyncAwait(){
         let config = {
            method: 'get',
            url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/',
         }
         axios(config).then((res) => {
           res.data.forEach((item) => {
              console.log("ID: ",item.id);
              console.log("TITLE: ",item.title);
              console.log("BODY : ",item.body)
           })
         }).catch((err) => {
            console.log(err)
         })
      }
       asyncAwait()
Example -- Handling Multiple Data using "map()" Method
      function asyncAwait(){
         let config = {
            method: 'get',
            url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts',
         axios(config).then((res) => {
           res.data.map((item) => {
              console.log("ID : ",item.id)
              console.log("TITLE : ",item.title)
              console.log("BODY : ",item.body)
           })
         }).catch((err) => {
            console.log(err)
         })
       asyncAwait()
```

Example -- Showing Multiple Data using "map()" Method

```
function asyncAwait(){
   let config = {
    method: 'get',
    url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts',
  }
  axios(config).then((res) => {
    res.data.map((item) => {
      let prntData = document.getElementById('abc');
      prntData.innerHTML += `
         ${item.id}
         ${item.title}
         ${item.body}
         <hr/>
    })
  }).catch((err) => {
    console.log(err)
  })
 }
asyncAwait()
```

Axios project using 'get()' request

a) Example -- Using GitHub API

```
index.html
```

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/twitter-</pre>
bootstrap/4.6.0/css/bootstrap.min.css" />
</head>
<body>
  <div class="container">
     <h2 class="mt-4 text-center">Axios Project</h2>
     <button type="button" id="get" class="mt-4 btn btn-primary btn-
block">Send Get Request</button>
     <div id="response"></div>
  </div>
  <script
src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.5.1/jquery.min.js"></script>
  <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/twitter-
bootstrap/4.6.0/js/bootstrap.min.js"></script>
  <script
src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/axios/0.21.1/axios.min.js"></script>
  <script src="app.js"></script>
</body>
</html>
```

main.js

```
document.getElementById('get').addEventListener('click',getData);
function getData(){
  let config = {
     method: 'get',
     url: 'https://api.github.com/users'
  axios(config).then(res => {
     showData(res)
     console.log(res)
  }).catch(err => {
     showError(err)
  })
}
// Function to Show API Response
function showData(response){
  document.getElementById('response').innerHTML = `
          <div class="mt-5 card">
            <div class="card-header">
               <h3>Response Status: ${response.status}</h3>
            </div>
            <div class="card-body">`
            response.data.map(item => `
            <div class="card mb-3" >
            <div class="card-header">
               <h5>Github User - ${item.id}</h5>
            </div>
            <div class="row q-0">
               <div class="col-md-4">
                 <imq src="${item.avatar_url}" class="mx-2 my-2 img-</pre>
thumbnail">
               </div>
               <div class="col-md-8">
                 <div class="card-body">
```

b) Example -- Using JSONPlaceholder

index.html

```
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
  rel="stylesheet"
href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@4.6.0/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css">
</head>
<body>
    <div class="container">
       <h1 class="mt-4 text-center">AXIOS PROJECT</h1>
         <div class="mt-4">
            <center>
              <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary btn-block"
id="get">Send GET Request</button>
            </center>
         </div>
         <div id="response"></div>
    </div>
    <script src="https://code.jquery.com/jquery-3.5.1.slim.min.js"></script>
  <script
src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@4.6.0/dist/js/bootstrap.bundle.min.j
s" ></script>
  <script
src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/axios/0.21.1/axios.min.js"></script>
  <script src="app.js"></script>
</body>
</html>
```

main.js -- Without Shorthand

```
document.getElementById('get').addEventListener('click',getData);
// Functions Applied On Buttons
function getData(){
  let config = {
    method: 'get',
    url: 'https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/users',
     params:{
       _limit:5
    }
  axios(config).then(res => {
    showData(res)
  }).catch(err => {
    showError(err)
  })
}
// Function Applied On Response
function showData(response){
  document.getElementById('response').innerHTML = `
     <div class="card mt-5">
       <div class="card-header">
          <h5>RESPONSE IN HTML WITH STATUS : ${response.status}</h5>
       </div>
       <div class="card-body">`
       +
          response.data.map(item => `
          <div class="card">
            <div class="card-body">
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Name</span>: ${item.name}</span><br>
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Username</span>: ${item.username}</span><br>
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Email</span>: ${item.email}</span><br>
```

```
<span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
      bold">Address</span>: ${item.address.street + ","+
      item.address.city}</span><br>
                     <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
      bold">Company</span>: ${item.company.name}</span><br>
                     <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
      bold">Website</span>: http://www.${item.website}</span><br>
                   </div>
                 </div>
                 `)
              `</div>
           </div>
      }
// Function Applied On Error
      function showError(error){
         document.getElementById('response').innerHTML = `
           <div class="alert alert-danger mt-4" role="alert">
              ${error}
           </div>
```

}

main.js -- With Shorthand

```
document.getElementById('get').addEventListener('click',getData);
// Functions Applied On Buttons
function getData(){
  axios.get('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/users?_limit=5')
  .then(res => {
    showData(res)
  }).catch(err => {
    showError(err)
  })
}
// Function Applied On Response
function showData(response){
  document.getElementById('response').innerHTML = `
     <div class="card mt-5">
       <div class="card-header">
          <h5>RESPONSE IN HTML WITH STATUS: ${response.status}</h5>
       </div>
       <div class="card-body">`
       +
          response.data.map(item => `
          <div class="card">
            <div class="card-body">
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Name</span>: ${item.name}</span><br>
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Username</span>: ${item.username}</span><br>
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Email</span>: ${item.email}</span><br>
               <span class="card-text"><span class="font-weight-</pre>
bold">Address</span>: ${item.address.street + ","+
item.address.city}</span><br>
```

</div>

}