# MOBA2 MOBILE WEB: REACT

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## PROPERTIES AND STATE

- Component data comes in two varieties
- State is the dynamic part of a React component
- Properties are used to pass data into components

Whenever we tell a React component to change its state, the component will automatically re-render itself

## INITIAL COMPONENT STATE

```
class MyComponent extends Component {
  state = {
 render() {
   const { first, second } = this.state
   return (
    <main>
      <section>
        <button disabled={first}>First</button>
      </section>
      <section>
        <button disabled={second}>Second</button>
      </section>
    </main> )
```

# SETTING COMPONENT STATE (1)

```
class MyComponent extends Component {
 state = {
    heading: 'React Awesomesauce (Busy)',
    content: 'Loading...',
 render() {
    const { heading, content } = this.state
    return (
      <main>
       <h1>{heading}</h1>
       {content}
      </main>
```

## **SETTING COMPONENT STATE (2)**

```
// The "render()" function returns a reference to the
// rendered component. In this case, it's an instance
// of "MyComponent". Now that we have the reference,
// we can call "setState()" on it whenever we want.
const myComponent = render(
  (<MyComponent />),
  document.getElementById('app')
// After 3 seconds, set the state of "myComponent",
// which causes it to re-render itself.
setTimeout(() => {
  myComponent.setState({
    heading: 'React Awesomesauce',
    content: 'Done!',
  })
}, 3000)
```

## SETTING COMPONENT STATE

React Awesomesauce (Busy)

Loading...

**React Awesomesauce** 

Done!

## MERGING COMPONENT STATE

- Calling setState() doesn't replace the state
- The object that you pass is merged to the state
- You can set individual state properties on components

## PASSING PROPERTY VALUES

- Properties get passed into components
- They're only set once, when the component is rendered
- We can pass just about anything as a property value via JSX
- As long as it's a valid JavaScript expression
- Properties are available in the component as this.props

# PASSING PROPERTY VALUES (1)

```
const appState = {
 text: 'My Button',
 disabled: true,
render((
 <main>
    < MyButton
      text={appState.text}
      disabled={appState.disabled}
    />
 </main>
 document.getElementById('app')
```

# PASSING PROPERTY VALUES (2)

## DEFAULT PROPERTY VALUES

```
class MyButton extends Component {
  // The "defaultProps" values are used when the
  // same property isn't passed to the JSX element.
  static defaultProps = {
    disabled: false,
    text: 'My Button',
  render() {
    const { disabled, text } = this.props
    return (
     <button disabled={disabled}>{text}</button>
```

## **FUNCTION COMPONENTS**

```
// Function component
const MyButton = ({ disabled, text }) => (
    <button disabled={disabled}>{text}</button>
)
```

## **FUNCTION COMPONENTS**

- Previously, often called Stateless Functional Components
- It's just what it sounds like a function
- Given some properties, it returns the component's JSX
- React Hooks allow function components with state and lifecycle

## DEFAULTS IN FUNCTION COMPONENTS

## **REACT HOOKS**

- New addition in React 16.8 (and React Native 0.59)
- Use state and other React features without writing a class
- Completely opt-in and 100% backwards-compatible
- No plans to remove classes from React
- More direct API to React concepts: props, state, context, refs, and lifecycle

## **EXAMPLE: STATE HOOK**

```
1 import React, { useState } from 'react'
   function Example() {
     const [count, setCount] = useState(0)
     return (
       <div>
         You clicked {count} times
         <button onClick={() => setCount(count + 1)}>
10
           Click me
11
         </button>
12
       </div>
13
14
15 }
```

## WHAT IS A HOOK?

- Functions that let you "hook into" React state and lifecycle
- Hooks let you use React without classes
- There are a few built-in Hooks like useState

## MULTIPLE STATE VARIABLES

```
const ExampleWithManyStates = () => {

   // Declare multiple state variables!
   const [age, setAge] = useState(42)
   const [fruit, setFruit] = useState('banana')
   const [todos, setTodos] = useState([{ text: 'Learn Hooks' }])

   // ...
}
```

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## DECLARING HANDLER FUNCTIONS

## HANDLER IN AN CLASS COMPONENT

```
1 class MyButton extends Component {
     handleClick() {
       console.log('clicked')
 5
 6
     // Renders a "<button>" element with the "onClick" event handler
     // set to the "handleClick()" method of this component.
     render() {
10
       return (
         <button onClick={this.handleClick}>
11
           {this.props.children}
12
13
         </button>
14
15
16 }
```

## DECLARING HANDLER FUNCTIONS

- Event handlers for particular elements are declared in JSX
- Elements can have more than one event handler
- List of supported events:
  - https://reactjs.org/docs/events.html

## **EVENT HANDLER CONTEXT**

- Event handlers usually need access to properties or state
- In React, they don't pull data out of DOM elements
- Methods must be manually bound to the component context

```
<button onClick={handleclick.bind(this)}>Start</button>
```

```
constructor() {
   super()
   this.handleclick = this.handleclick.bind(this)
}
return (
   <button onClick={handleclick}>Start</button>
)
```

## INLINE EVENT HANDLERS

```
class MyButton extends Component {
 // Renders a button element with an "onClick()" handler.
 // This function is declared inline with the JSX, and is
  // useful in scenarios where you need to call another
 // function.
 render() {
    return (
      <button
        onClick={e => console.log('clicked', e)}
      >
        {this.props.children}
      </button>
```

## BINDING HANDLERS TO ELEMENTS

- React doesn't attach event listeners to the DOM elements
- Handlers are added to an internal mapping
- There's a single event listener on the root DOM container into which the React tree is rendered
- React < v17.0 : event listener was on the document node

## **EVENT OBJECT**

- Event handler will get an event argument passed to it
- This event object is a wrapper for native event instances
- It is sometimes known as a synthetic event

React event object (beta docs)

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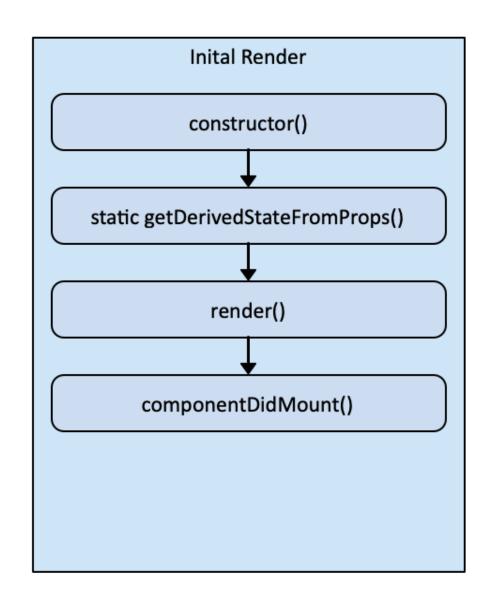
## **COMPONENT LIFECYCLE**

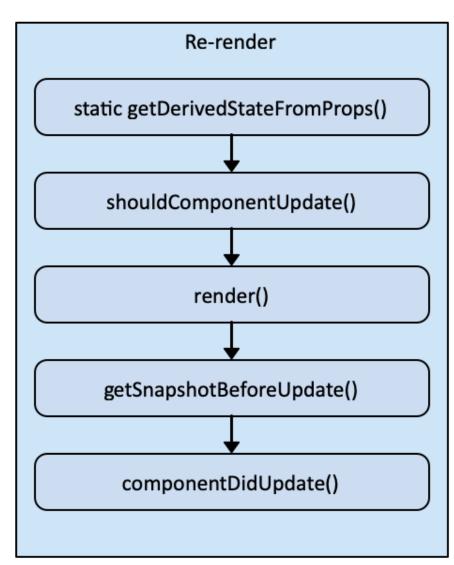
## React components go through a lifecycle

- Component is about to be mounted
- Component is rendered
- After the component has been mounted
- When the component is updated

... and so on

## **CLASS COMPONENT LIFECYCLE**





## SIMULATE API ACCESS

```
1 function users(fail) {
     return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
       setTimeout(() => {
         if (fail) {
           reject('epic fail')
         } else {
           resolve({
             users: [
               { id: 0, name: 'First' },
               { id: 1, name: 'Second' },
               { id: 2, name: 'Third' },
11
12
             ],
13
           })
14
       }, 2000)
15
16
17 }
```

## **FETCHING DATA**

```
1 class UserListContainer extends Component {
     state = {
       data: {
         error: null,
         loading: 'loading...',
         users: [],
      },
 9
     componentDidMount() {...}
10
11
     render() {
12
       return ( <UserList {...this.state.data} /> )
13
14
15 }
```

## LIFECYCLE METHOD

```
1 componentDidMount() {
    (result) => {
       this.setState({
         data: {
           error: null,
           loading: null,
           users: result.users,
         },
10
11
      (error) => {
12
       this.setState({
13
         data: {
14
15
           error: error,
           loading: null,
16
           users: this.state.users.
17
```

## **UI COMPOMENTS**

```
const ErrorMessage = ({ error }) =>
  error ? (<strong>{error}</strong>) : null

const LoadingMessage = ({ loading }) =>
  loading ? (<strong>{loading}</strong>) : null
```

## OPTIMIZE RENDERING EFFICIENCY

- If the state hasn't changed, there's no need to render
- If the shouldComponentUpdate() method returns false, no render happens
- Useful if the component is rendering a lot of data and is rerendered frequently

### THE EFFECT HOOK

- Tell React what to do after render
- Argument is a function (the effect)
- Function will be called after performing the DOM updates
- It can use the state variables (closure)

Hooks embrace JavaScript closures and avoid introducing Reactspecific APIs where JavaScript already provides a solution

### THE EFFECT HOOK

```
1 import React, { useState, useEffect } from 'react'
   function Example() {
     const [count, setCount] = useState(0)
 6
     // Similar to componentDidMount and componentDidUpdate:
     useEffect(() => {
       document.title = `You clicked ${count} times`
 9
     })
10
11
     return (
12
       <div>
         You clicked {count} times
13
         <button onClick={() => setCount(count + 1)}>
14
15
           Click me
        </button>
16
       </div>
17
18
19 }
```

### **EFFECTS WITH CLEANUP**

- Many effects don't require any cleanup when the component unmounts, but some effects do
- Example: Component subscribes to some external data source
- In a class-based component: lifeycle method componentWillUnmount
- With Hooks: effect returns a cleanup function

### **EFFECTS WITH CLEANUP**

```
function FriendStatus(props) {
  const [isOnline, setIsOnline] = useState(null)
  useEffect(() => {
    function handleStatusChange(status) {
      setIsOnline(status.isOnline)
   ChatAPI.subscribeToFriendStatus(props.friend.id, handleStatusChange)
   // Specify how to clean up after this effect:
    return function cleanup() {
      ChatAPI.unsubscribeFromFriendStatus(props.friend.id, handleStatusChange)
  })
  if (isOnline === null) return 'Loading...'
  return isOnline ? 'Online' : 'Offline'
```

### **EFFECT HOOK PERFORMANCE**

- Cleanup is performed when the component unmounts
- However, effects run for every render
- React also cleans up effects from the previous render
- We can skip applying an effect if certain values haven't changed
- Pass an array of these variables as an optional second argument to useEffect

### EFFECT HOOK PERFORMANCE

```
useEffect(() => {
   function handleStatusChange(status) {
     setIsOnline(status.isOnline)
   }

ChatAPI.subscribeToFriendStatus(props.friend.id, handleStatusChange)
   return () => {
     ChatAPI.unsubscribeFromFriendStatus(props.friend.id, handleStatusChange)
   }
}, [props.friend.id]) // Only re-subscribe if props.friend.id changes
```

### **EFFECT HOOK PERFORMANCE**

```
1 // Passing a dependency array
2 useEffect(() => {
3    // ...
4 }, [a, b]) // Runs again if a or b are different
5
6 // Passing an empty dependency array
7 useEffect(() => {
8    // ...
9 }, []) // Does not run again
10
11 // Passing no dependency array at all
12 useEffect(() => {
13    // ...
14 }) // Always runs again
```

### **RULES OF HOOKS**

- Only call Hooks at the top level
  - don't call Hooks inside loops, conditions, or nested functions
  - ensure that Hooks are called in the same order each time a component renders
- Only call Hooks from React functions
  - call Hooks from React function components
  - or call Hooks from custom Hooks

- Extract component logic into reusable functions
- A custom Hook is a function that may call other Hooks
- A custom Hook's name starts with use

```
import React, { useState, useEffect } from 'react'
function useFriendStatus(friendID) {
  const [isOnline, setIsOnline] = useState(null)
  useEffect(() => {
   function handleStatusChange(status) {
      setIsOnline(status.isOnline)
   ChatAPI.subscribeToFriendStatus(friendID, handleStatusChange)
    return () => {
      ChatAPI.unsubscribeFromFriendStatus(friendID, handleStatusChange)
  })
  return isOnline
```

- Friend status logic can now bee removed from components
- The custom Hook useFriendStatus is used instead

```
function FriendStatus(props) {
  const isOnline = useFriendStatus(props.friend.id)

if (isOnline === null) {
    return 'Loading...'
  }
  return isOnline ? 'Online' : 'Offline'
}
```

- Advantage: it can be used in other components, too
- All state and effects inside a custom Hook are fully isolated

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### **CONTAINER COMPONENTS**

- Common React pattern: concept of container components
- Don't couple data fetching with data rendering
- The container is responsible for fetching the data
- Data is then passed down to a component responsible for rendering the data

# **CONTAINER COMPONENTS (1)**

```
// Utility function that's intended to mock a service that this
// component uses to fetch it's data. It returns a promise, just
// like a real async API call would. In this case, the data is
// resolved after a 2 second delay.

function fetchData() {
  return new Promise((resolve) => {
    setTimeout(() => {
      resolve([ 'First', 'Second', 'Third' ])
      }, 2000)
  })
}
```

# **CONTAINER COMPONENTS (2)**

```
const MyContainer = () => {
  const [items, setItems] = useState([])

  useEffect(() => {
    fetchData()
        .then(items => setItems(items))
    }, [])  // run on first render

  return (
        <MyList {...this.state} />
    )
}
```

# **CONTAINER COMPONENTS (3)**

### **CONTEXT API**

- Container components fetch and manipulate data
- Data is passed down to components for rendering
- Typically, data is passed top-down via props
- This can be cumbersome for certain types of props
- Examples: locale preferences, UI theme
- Data that can be considered "global" for a tree of components
- Context provides a way to share values between components

### **EXAMPLE WITHOUT CONTEXT API**

```
class App extends Component {
  render() {
    return <Toolbar theme="dark" />
function Toolbar(props) {
 return (
    <div>
      <ThemedButton theme={props.theme} />
    </div>
function ThemedButton(props) {
  return (
    <Button theme={this.props.theme} />
```

### **EXAMPLE WITH THE CONTEXT API**

### USING THE CONTEXT HOOK

```
1 function Toolbar(props) { // no need to pass down the theme
     return (
       <div>
         <ThemedButton />
     </div>
   function ThemedButton() {
     const theme = useContext(ThemeContext)
10
11
12
     return (
       <button style={{ background: theme.background, color: theme.foreground }}>
13
         I am styled by theme context!
14
    </button>
15
16
17 }
```

### **CONTEXT HOOK**

- useContext accepts a context object
- It returns the current context value for that context
- You still need a <MyContext.Provider> above in the tree
- When the nearest context provider updates, the Context Hook triggers a re-render of the component
- If re-rendering is expensive, you can use memoization

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### INSTALLATION

```
$ npx create-react-app hello-world
$ cd hello-world/

$ npm start
Starting the development server...
Compiled successfully!
The app is running at: http://localhost:3000/

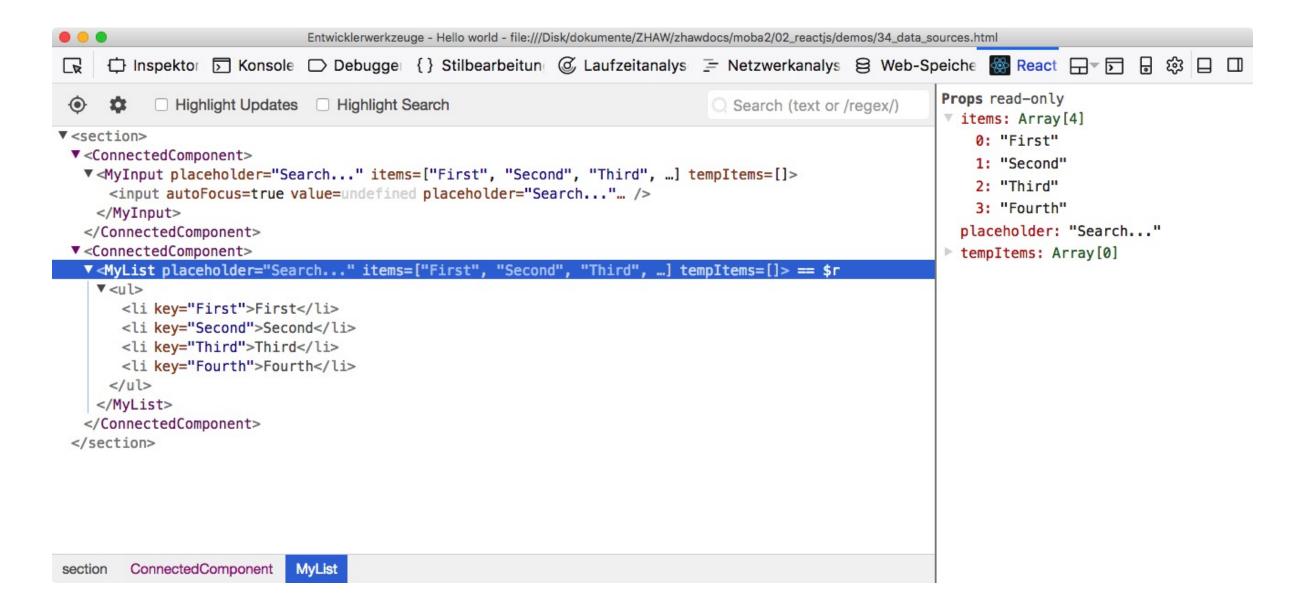
Note that the development build is not optimized.
To create a production build, use npm run build.
```

- cf. React toolchains
- npx is a npm package runner

### DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT

- Install React Devtools in your browser (Firefox, Chromium)
   https://github.com/facebook/react/tree/master/packages/react-devtools
   Allows inspection of React component hierarchy
- Install JSX support in your editor
  - VSCode: Basic support available out-of-the box
  - The JavaScript language extension provides additional features

### REACT DEVTOOLS



## VALIDATING COMPONENT PROPERTIES

- Goal: knowing what's passed into the component
- Validation emits a warning when something doesn't pass
- In production mode, property validation is turned off

https://www.npmjs.com/package/prop-types

# READING MATERIAL, SOURCES

### **SOURCES**

- React A JavaScript library for building user interfaces https://reactjs.org
- Adam Boduch: React and React Native Second Edition, Packt Publishing, 2018
   Packt Online Shop