Day 4 – Introduction to ReactJS (JSX, Components, Props, and State) Date: 26-10-2025

**Objective:** Understand the fundamentals of ReactJS, how it differs from traditional JavaScript, and how to build reusable UI components using JSX syntax, props, and state management.

### 1. WHAT IS ReactJS

ReactJS is an **open-source JavaScript library** developed by Facebook (now Meta) for building dynamic and responsive user interfaces, especially single-page applications (SPAs).

### **Key Features:**

- Component-Based: UI is built using independent reusable pieces called components.
- **Declarative:** Focus on "what to render" rather than "how".
- Virtual DOM: React updates only the changed parts of the UI for better performance.
- One-Way Data Binding: Data flows from parent to child components.
- JSX: A syntax extension that allows writing HTML-like code inside JavaScript.

### 2. SETTING UP REACT

Before working with React, ensure you have **Node.js** and **npm** installed.

### Create a new React app

npx create-react-app myapp

cd myapp

npm start

This will start a local development server and open your app at http://localhost:3000/.

### 3. UNDERSTANDING JSX (JavaScript XML)

JSX allows you to write HTML elements inside JavaScript.

React then converts this JSX into JavaScript using a compiler like Babel.

#### Example (JSX vs JS):

Without JSX:

const element = React.createElement('h1', null, 'Hello React');

With JSX:

const element = <h1>Hello React</h1>;

### **JSX Rules:**

- You can only return one root element.
- Use className instead of class.
- Expressions can be embedded using {}.

### Example:

```
const name = "Udaya";
const element = <h2>Hello, {name}! Welcome to React.</h2>;
```

# 4. Components in React

A **component** is a reusable block of code that controls a part of the UI.

# **Types of Components**

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);

- 1. **Functional Components** simple functions returning JSX.
- 2. Class Components ES6 classes extending React.Component.

## **Functional Component Example**

```
}
Output:
Welcome to Dhruv Compusoft Training
Class Component Example
import React, { Component } from 'react';
class WelcomeClass extends Component {
 render() {
  return <h2>Hello from Class Component</h2>;
 }
export default WelcomeClass;
5. Props (Passing Data Between Components)
Props (short for properties) are used to pass data from parent to child components.
Parent Component:
function App() {
 return <Student name="Udaya" course=".NET" />;
Child Component (Student.js):
function Student(props) {
 return (
  <div>
   <h3>Student Name: {props.name}</h3>
   Course: {props.course}
  </div>
 );
export default Student;
```

## **Output:**

Student Name: Udaya

Course: .NET

Props are immutable, meaning you cannot modify them inside the child component.

# 6. State (Component Data Management)

**State** is used to store dynamic, changeable data in a component. When state changes, the component re-renders automatically.

# **Using useState Hook (in Functional Components)**

### **Explanation:**

export default Counter;

- useState(0) initializes state variable count with value 0.
- setCount is a function to update count.
- Clicking buttons updates state and re-renders UI.

### 7. COMBINING MULTIPLE COMPONENTS

Each component handles a small part of the app, making code modular and easier to maintain.

### 8. COMPONENT HIERARCHY

Example:

App.js

Header.js

Student.js

Counter.js

This structure ensures a clean, scalable React application.

### 9. BEST PRACTICES

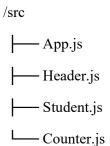
- Always capitalize component names (e.g., Student, not student).
- Keep each component in its own file.
- Use props for data passing and useState for internal state.
- Keep components small and focused on one task.
- Use meaningful variable and function names.

## **Mini Practice Task (Day 4)**

**Objective:** Create a simple React app with three components:

- 1. Header.js Displays page title.
- 2. Student.js Displays student info using props.
- 3. Counter.js Demonstrates use of useState.

# **App Structure:**



### Task:

- Display "Dhruv Compusoft Training Portal" as heading.
- Pass props from App to Student (name, course).
- Create a counter with increment and decrement buttons.

# **Snapshots:**

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Code: Counter.js

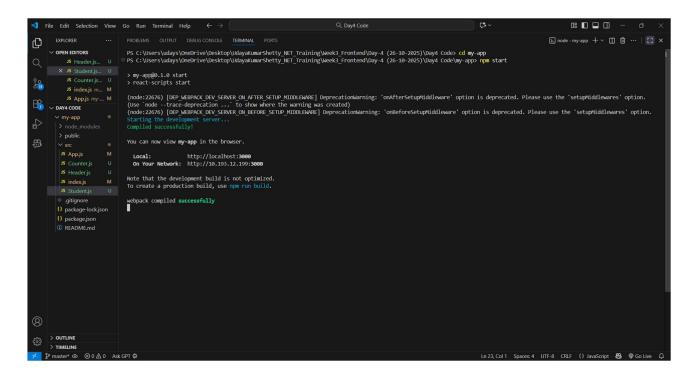
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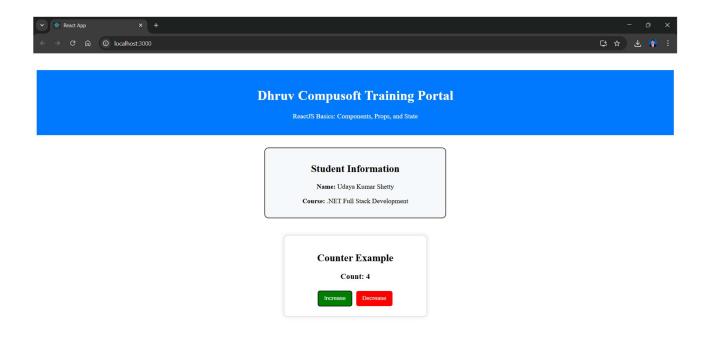
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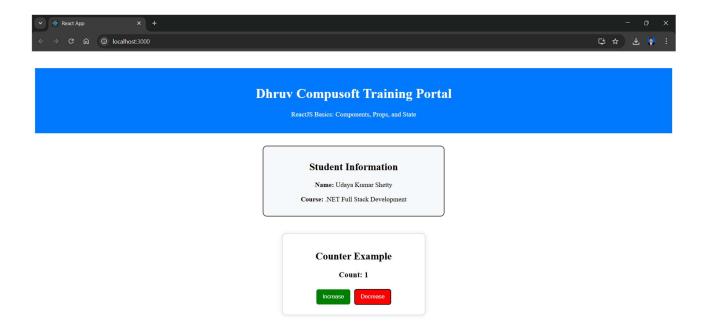
### Code: Student.js



**Terminal Commands** 



Output: Counter Increment



Output: Counter Decrement