

1.What is React.js? How is it different from other JavaScript frameworks and Libraries?

React.js is a JavaScript library developed by Facebook in 2013.

It's mainly used for building user interfaces especially single-page applications where the web page updates dynamically without reloading.

- Fast → Uses Virtual DOM, updates only what's needed.
- Reusable → Component-based.
- Flexible → Just a library, not strict like Angular.
- Easier → Learning curve is lighter than Angular.
- Popular → Huge community, ecosystem.

2.Explain the core principles of React such as the virtual DOM and component based architecture

React works on a few core principles that make it powerful and efficient. It follows a component-based architecture, where the user interface is broken into small, reusable building blocks like buttons, cards, or navbars. This makes applications easier to build, maintain, and scale. To improve performance, React uses a Virtual DOM, which is a lightweight copy of the real DOM. When something changes, React compares the new virtual DOM with the previous one and updates only the parts of the real DOM that actually changed, instead of re-rendering the whole page. React also provides a declarative approach to UI, meaning you just describe what the interface should look like for a given state, and React automatically updates it when the state changes. Finally, React follows a one-way data flow, where data moves from parent components down to child components. This predictable flow of information makes debugging and managing large applications much easier.

3.What are the advantages of using React.js in web development?

- Fast Performance
Updates only the necessary parts of the page, making apps smoother and faster.
- Reusable Components
Build UI components and reuse them across the app saves time and effort.
- Declarative UI
You describe *what* the UI should look like, React handles the updating automatically.
- Easy to Learn & Use
Focuses mainly on the UI. Easier than learning full frameworks like Angular.
- Strong Community & Ecosystem
Huge support, many libraries, and lots of job opportunities.
- Flexibility
Since it's just a library, you can choose your own tools for routing, state management, etc.
- One-Way Data Flow
Makes apps more predictable and easier to debug.

4. What is JSX in React.js? Why is it used?

JSX (JavaScript XML) is a syntax extension in React.js that allows developers to write HTML-like code directly within JavaScript. It makes the code more readable and easier to visualize because the UI structure looks similar to HTML. JSX also lets developers embed JavaScript expressions inside curly braces, combining logic and design in one place. Although browsers cannot understand JSX, it is used in React because it simplifies UI development, improves readability, and speeds up coding.

5. How is JSX different from regular JavaScript? Can you write JavaScript inside JSX?

- JSX looks like HTML inside JavaScript, while regular JavaScript uses functions to build UI.
- Browsers don't understand JSX; it gets compiled into JavaScript.
- You can write JavaScript expressions inside JSX using `{ }` (e.g., `{name}`, `{2+2}`).
- Only expressions work, not full statements like `if` or `for`.

6. Discuss the importance of using curly braces `{ }` in JSX expressions

In React JSX, curly braces `{ }` are used to embed JavaScript expressions directly inside the markup. They are important because they allow developers to display dynamic content such as variables, calculations, and function results within the UI. For example, writing `<h1>Hello, {name}</h1>` will render the value of the variable `name` instead of plain text. Without curly braces, JSX treats everything as static text, but with them, the UI becomes dynamic and interactive. Thus, curly braces act as a bridge between JavaScript logic and the HTML-like structure in React components.

7. What are components in React? Explain the difference between functional components and class components.

In React, **components** are the fundamental building blocks of a web application. A component is a small, reusable piece of code that defines how a part of the user interface should look and behave, such as a button, header, or form. Components allow developers to break down complex UIs into smaller, manageable parts, which makes the application easier to develop, maintain, and reuse. React supports two main types of components: functional components, class components.

Functional Components

- A JavaScript function that returns JSX.
- Simple, easy to write, mostly used in modern React.
- Can use Hooks to manage state and lifecycle.

Class Components

- An ES6 class that extends `React.Component`.
- Must include a `render()` method that returns JSX.
- Before Hooks, they were used for state and lifecycle methods.

8. How do you pass data to a component using props?

- Props are used to send data from a parent component to a child component.
- They make components reusable by allowing different inputs.
- Props are read-only a child component cannot change the props it receives

9. What is the role of `render()` in class components?

The `render()` method in a class component defines the **UI structure** by returning JSX, and React calls it whenever the component needs to be displayed or updated.

10. What are props in React.js? How are props different from state?

Feature	Props	State
Definition	Data passed from parent to child	Data managed inside a component
Mutability	Can not be updated	Can be updated
Who owns it?	Parent component	The component itself
Usage	To send data and customize child components	To manage dynamic data that changes over time

11. Explain the concept of state in React and how it is used to manage component Data.

In React, **state** is used to store and manage a component's dynamic data. It is local to the component and changes over time, such as user input or counters. When the state updates using `setState` in class components React automatically re-renders the component, making the UI interactive and responsive.

12. Why is `this.setState()` used in class components, and how does it work?

- In class components, `this.setState()` is used to update the component's state.
- You cannot change `this.state` directly because React will not know the state has changed.
- `this.setState()` tells React that the state has been updated, so React can re-render the component with the new data.

