How to State

If React is **declarative**, how do we manage state?

- Hooks!
 - outside functions to read/write state changes
- Render JSX with current state
- Event listeners (using onXXX) auto update state

Input Example

SO MUCH - import

```
import { useState } from 'react';
```

- importing a "named export"
 - Not a default export
- We are using a bundler program
 - webpack bundler for create-react-app
 - rollup bundler for vite

```
import { useState as someOtherVar } from 'react';
```

• importing from a library (react) involves no path

SO MUCH - array destructure

```
const [name, setName] = useState('');
useState() returns an array
```

Above code is the same as:

```
const returnedArray = useState('');
const name = returnedArray[0];
const setName = returnedArray[1];
```

useState() always returns two values

SO MUCH - useState returns

useState() always returns two values:

- a value
- a setter function

The value is the last value set with setter function

- defaults to value passed to useState()
- value passed to usestate() ignored once setter called

SO MUCH - automatic rerender

When a state setter function is called

- output re-renders
- no need to call render()
- Component IS a render() function

SO MUCH - onInput

```
<input
  value={name}
  onInput={ (e) => setName(e.target.value) }
/>
```

- name will always be latest value
 - Must set the value prop!
- onInput() runs whenever there is typing
 - including backspace/delete
- e.target is the input field here
- Notice the self-closing input tag!
 - Required by JSX (every element must close)
 - React translates to actual HTML

More Example

```
function App() {
 const [inProgress, setInProgress] = useState('');
 const [saved, setSaved] = useState('');
 return (
   <div className="app">
     Name in progress is {inProgress}
     Last Saved name was {saved}
     <label>
       <span>Name: </span>
       <input
         value={inProgress}
         onInput={ (e) => setInProgress(e.target.value) }
       />
        type="button"
         onClick={ () => setSaved(inProgress) }
       >Save</button>
     </label>
   </div>
 );
```

Two useState()s

```
const [inProgress, setInProgress] = useState('');
const [saved, setSaved] = useState('');
```

Each usestate() will track a separate value

- Order in file in meaningful
- You can't put useState() inside an if(){}
 - This is not a problem
 - If you want to, you probably are too complex

Different State Updates

```
<input
  value={inProgress}
  onInput={ (e) => setInProgress(e.target.value) }
/>
<button
  type="button"
  onClick={ () => setSaved(inProgress) }
>Save</button>
```

- One "as you type"
- One "after you click"

Components can call other components

Component calls other component

Both App.jsx and Switch.jsx are components

• No limits to putting them together

State became a prop

- ison state passed to <switch as a prop
- name of prop changed! (isFlipped)
 - doesn't have to
 - passing a parameter to a function
 - new variable, can be same or different name

Component ignorant of source of prop

- Doesn't know isflipped was set by state
- Rerendered when parent rerendered
- Notice template literal `` with switchState
- Used to embed in string

Showing a list

```
function TodoList({ list }) {
    const items = list.map(
        item => ( {item} )
    );
    return (

            {items}

    );
}
```

Check the console for errors and warnings!

- Error: Warning: Each child in a list should have a unique "key" prop.
- Warnings may prevent things from working, but may indicate a problem
- You should definitely clean up these as soon as you see them
 - otherwise you won't notice the more important ones

Rendered lists and "key" prop

Rendered lists in React need a "key" prop

- React does comparison logic to decide what to actually change in DOM
 - Delete item 5 out of 10: looks like changed 5 items and deleted last
- key props allow to see what really changed
 - must be unique
 - must stay the same between renders
 - o generally bad to use index

Fixing our key prop

```
function TodoList({ list }) {
  const items = list.map(
    item => ( {item}
  );
  return (

        {items}

    );
}
```

• Unique key prop added

Understanding the List

```
function TodoList({ list }) {
  const items = list.map(
    item => ( {item}
  );
  return (

        {items}

  );
}
```

- map list of items to list of JSX elements
- NO JOIN
- NOT A STRING
- embed list in JSX

Arrays and Objects as State

useState() can manage any type of JS value

including arrays and objects

React assumes the state only changes when you call the setter function.

- This means arrays and objects can be a problem
- You can **mutate** these by changing an element/property
 - without calling the setter function
- This would confuse React

Solution: Don't do that

Treat arrays and objects in state as **immutable**

• No React confusion

But how do you change the state?

• pass a NEW array/object to the setter function

Updating array in state example

Setting a new array

- Setting the state to a new array using []
- Using the **spread** operator (...)
 - fills new array with contents of existing array
 - copies array

https://react.dev/learn/updating-arrays-in-state

Replacing array mutations for state update

Changing an element:

- DO NOT set the element to a new value
- DO copy the array, change copy, set state to copy

Adding an element:

- DO NOT use .push() or .unshift()
- DO use spread (...) or .slice() (to copy array)

Removing an element:

- DO NOT use .pop() or .shift()
- DO use .slice() or alter a copy

Updating object in state example

```
function SomeOtherComponent() {
 const [student, setStudent] = useState({
   name: 'Jorts', grade: '87'
 });
  const [grade, setGrade] = useState(student.grade);
  return
     <div>Name: {student.name} Grade: {student.grade}</div>
       Grade:
        value={grade}
         onInput={ (e) => setGrade(e.target.value) }
       />
      </div>
       onClick={ () => setStudent( {...student, grade })
     >Save</button>
   </div>
 );
```

Setting a new object

- Setting the state to a new object using {}
- Using the **spread** operator (...)
 - fills new object with existing object contents
 - copies object

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key/value pairs AFTER spread operator override key/values in copied object

More about Object copying

```
onClick={ () => setStudent( {...student, grade });
```

Remember this is the same as saying:

```
onClick={ () => setStudent({
    ...student,
    grade: grade,
});
```

grade property gets the value of the grade variable

• and here, overrides any grade key/value pair in student

Replacing object mutations for state update

Changing a property

- DO NOT set the property to a new value
- DO set state to copy of object with new value

Adding a property

- DO NOT define the new property value
- DO set state to copy of object with new property

Removing an element:

- DO NOT use delete on object property
- DO alter a copy, set new state as copy

This can feel daunting

But the rule itself is straight-forward

- Do not change an array/object that is in state
- Set state to a new array/object
 - that was set from the existing array/object
 - and has the changes

How to show different content sometimes

What if you want to have different options for content

• Example: Login form vs content + Logout?

A Conditional Example

```
const [isLoggedIn, setIsLoggedIn] = useState(false);
const [username, setUsername] = useState('');
return (
  <div className="app">
  { isLoggedIn
    ? < div >
        Hello {username}
        <button onClick={() =>
          setIsLoggedIn(false)}>Logout</button>
    : <form>
          <span>Username: </span>
          <input value={username} onInput={(e)</pre>
            => setUsername(e.target.value)}/>
        <button type="button" onClick={()</pre>
          => setIsLoggedIn(true)}>Login</button>
      </form>
  </div>
);
```

A Different Conditional Example

```
const [isLoggedIn, setIsLoggedIn] = useState(false);
const [username, setUsername] = useState('');
const content =
( <div>
 Hello {username}
  <button onClick={() => setIsLoggedIn(false)}>Logout
</div>);
const login =
(<form>
 <label>
   <span>Username: </span>
   <input value={username} onInput={(e) => setUsername(e.target.value)}/>
  <button type="button" onClick={() => setIsLoggedIn(true)}>Login
</form>);
return (
 <div className="app">
 { isLoggedIn ? content : login }
);
```

Yet Another Conditional Example

```
const [isLoggedIn, setIsLoggedIn] = useState(false);
const [username, setUsername] = useState('');
let content;
if (isLoggedIn) {
 content = ( <div>
   Hello {username}
   <button onClick={() => setIsLoggedIn(false)}>Logout
  </div>);
} else {
 content = (<form>
     <span>Username: </span>
     <input value={username} onInput={(e) => setUsername(e.target.value)}/>
   <button type="button" onClick={() => setIsLoggedIn(true)}>Login
 </form>);
return
 <div className="app"> { content } </div>
);
```

State goes "down"

- State is passed "down"
 - to children

What if a child wants to change state?

Child component has no access to setter!

- cannot reach "up"
- Parent must pass some function to change
 - direct setter
 - OR wrapper of direct setter

A Better Conditional Example

```
import Content from './Content';
import Login from './Login';
function App() {
 const [isLoggedIn, setIsLoggedIn] = useState(false);
 const [username, setUsername] = useState('');
  return
   <div className="app">
     { isLoggedIn
        ? <Content</pre>
            username={username}
            setLoggedIn={setLoggedIn}
        : <Login
            username={username}
            setUsername={setUsername}
            setLoggedIn={setLoggedIn}
   </div>
 );
```

The other components

```
function Content({ username, setLoggedIn }) {
  return ( <div>
    Hello {username}
        <button onClick={() =>
            setIsLoggedIn(false)}>Logout</button>
        </div>);
}
```

You can be more generic

The more generic parts

```
function Content({ username, onLogout }) {
  return ( <div>
    Hello {username}
        <button onClick={onLogout}>Logout</button>
        </div>);
}
```

Each component can have state

See the useState() here!

- distinct from the username of App
- allows for custom behavior

Extra useState notes

Some details aren't needed for all useState uses

• but they are good to know about

Expensive Initialization

Common question:

What is the value passed to useState?

- As mentioned, the very first, initial, value
- ignored afterwards
- still evaluated every render

```
const [value, setValue] = useState( calcValues() );
```

Can avoid repeat calculations by passing a function:

```
const [value, setValue] = useState( () => calcValues() );
```

Current state doesn't change!

What is wrong here?

Passing function to setter

A callback passed to the setter

• will be called with the current value

Often helpful with objects/arrays

• if doing multiple changes not all at once

Summary - Hooks

- Hooks are functions for React that
 - manage state
 - and/or interact with render cycle

Summary - useState Basics

- import { useState } from 'react';
- each usestate() creates a distinct value
- useState() returns an array
 - containing the current value
 - and setter function to change stored vale
 - always destructured into two variables
- useState() passed an initial value
 - only used the first render
 - can be a function
 - when getting initial value is expensive

Summary - Calling useState()

- multiple useState() = multiple distinct state values
 - cannot be inside an if
- Assign meaningful variable names
 - React doesn't "know" meaning, only order
- Current value only "changes" when useState() called!
- Each component can have their own state
 - You should scope to who "owns" a value
- Parents can pass state values as props to children

Summary - Calling state setter

Calling the setter returned by useState()

- Sets the new value for the NEXT render
- Queues a new render
 - AFTER current code finishes
 - If all renders change state, infinite loop
- Can be passed a callback
 - will be called with current/pending state value

Summary - Setting an object/array

Current state should be **immutable**

- numbers, strings, booleans already are
- objects and arrays can mutate
 - so you should make sure not to do that
- updates are setting to new object/array
 - populated with original object/array
 - ∘ common to use "spread" operator (...)
 - except for changed values

Summary - Conditional Rendering

Can hide/show section with CSS

- by deciding current classes
- React can add/remove classes
 - but you will redeclare output HTML

Simply include/omit Components/HTML

- Common: we redeclare output HTML anyway
- Can't have if/then inside {} in JSX
 - if/then doesn't return a value
- Conditional operator (?:) does
- Or set variables and substitute those

Summary - Events causing state changes

- form fields (<input>, <select>, etc)
 - you set the value prop to current state value
 - onInput/onChange read e.target.value
 - feels "heavy", but browser does anyway
- other interactions (click, etc)
 - Call setter function in event handler callback

Summary - Component state vs Application state

If state is only meaningful to component and children

manage that state in that component

If state is used in many components

• manage at a common ancestor component

Usually

- top level component has "application state"
- lower components manage temp, limited state
 - values that are being typed
 - UI-related state for a section
 - Ex: Is a section open vs collapsed