Building Desktop Applications Using Electron JS.

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Abstract

We will discuss how we can develop desktop applications that can run on Windows, MacOS, and Linux, using the JavaScript framework Electron JS, as well as basic HTML, CSS, and, of course, JavaScript.

Electron JS is an open-source framework that allows developers to build cross-platform desktop applications using web technologies such as HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. This means that developers can leverage their existing web development skills to create desktop applications that can run on Windows, macOS, and Linux.

Here are the steps to build desktop applications using Electron JS:

- 1. Install Node.js and NPM on your system.
- 2. Install Electron JS using NPM by running the following command: npm install electron --save-dev
- 3. Create a new directory for your project and initialize it using the following command: npm init
- 4. Create a new HTML, CSS, and JavaScript file for your application.
- 5. Create a new main.js file that will serve as the main entry point for your application.
- 6. In main.js, import the Electron module and create a new BrowserWindow object to display your HTML file.
- 7. Add event listeners to your BrowserWindow object to handle user interactions.
- 8. Build and package your application using Electron Packager or Electron Forge.

Some tips for building desktop applications using Electron JS:

1. Keep your application lightweight and fast by optimizing your code and minimizing the use of external libraries.

- 2. Use the latest version of Electron JS to take advantage of new features and bug fixes.
- 3. Test your application thoroughly on all target platforms to ensure compatibility and functionality.
- 4. Use Electron Forge to simplify the packaging and installation process for your users.