



# The tech behind a design system that scales

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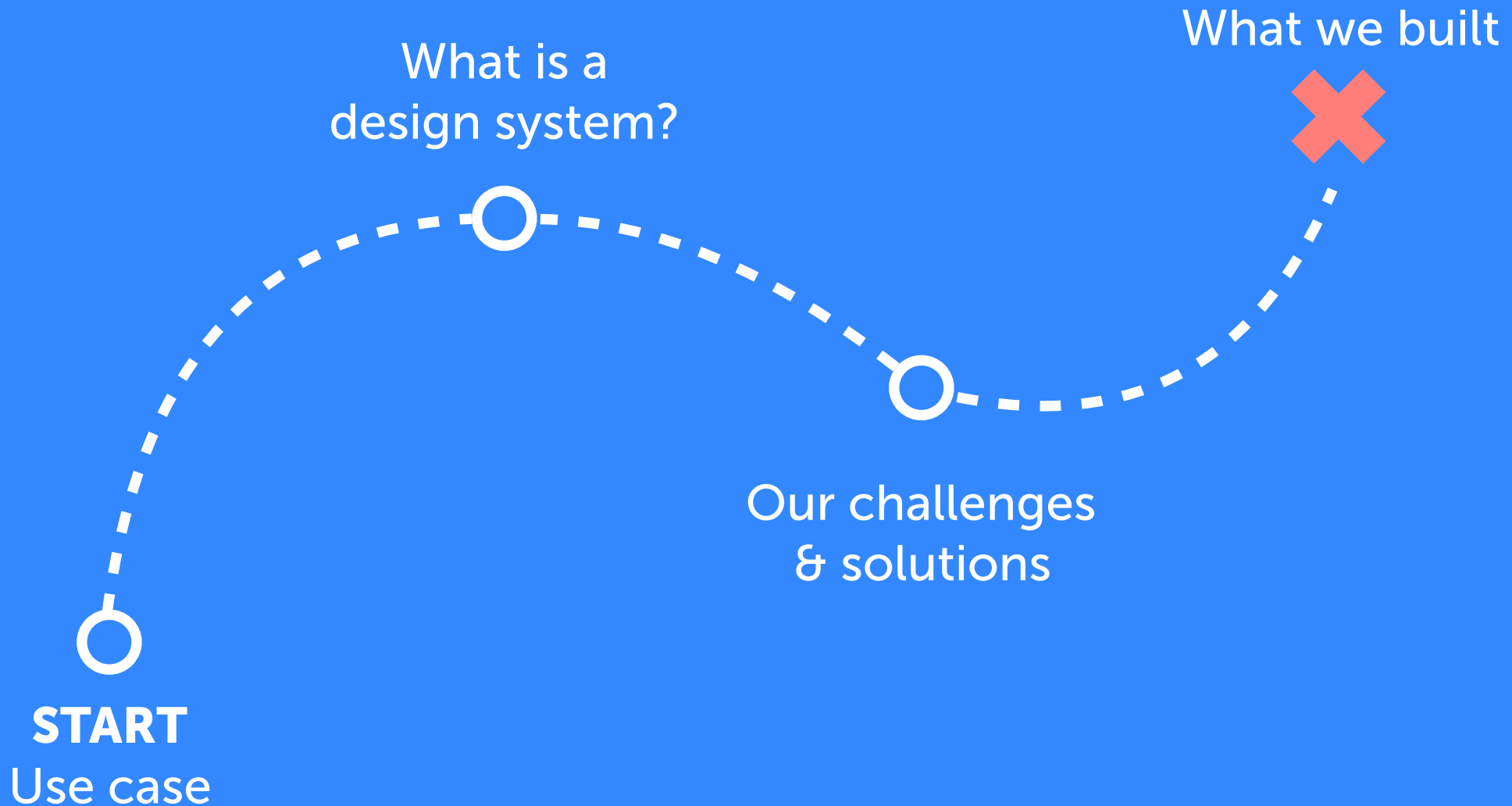


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# Where we're going today



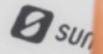


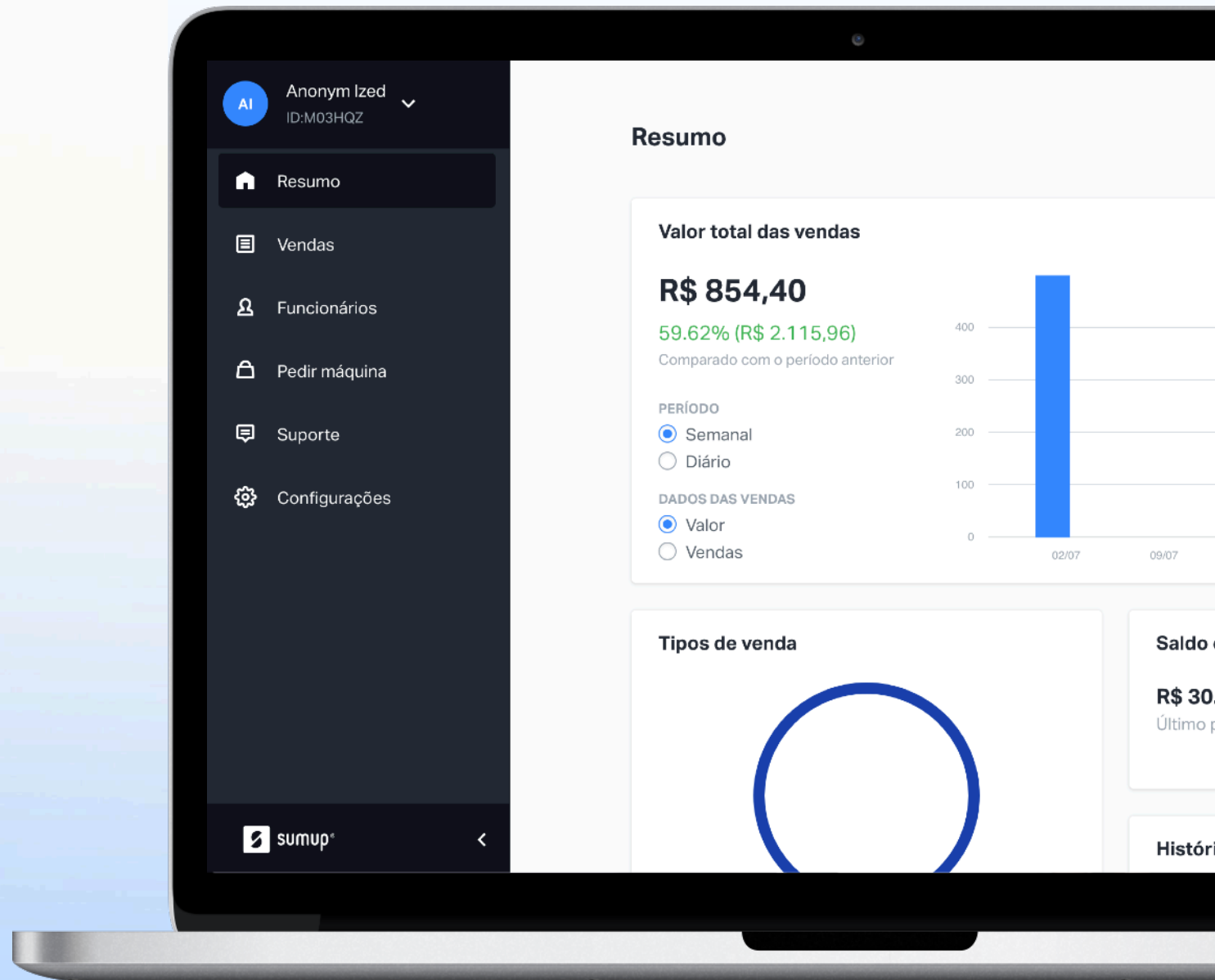
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VISA CREDIT  
EUR  
Enter PIN  
3.20

1 2 3  
4 5 6  
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**Use case**

## Once upon a time...



This currency input I'm building is really tricky

Wait, what?



There are all these edge cases and...

# Once upon a time

No, I mean why are you building a currency input?

I made that like six months ago.

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# A tale of two inputs

New Payment

Amount

 €

Description (Optional)

Refund up to €50.00

✓ €58.50  
03/16/2017 - 18:24  1010

⬅ €8.50  
03/24/2017 - 15:41

Continue with full refund or input partial  
refund amount

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Cancel

Next



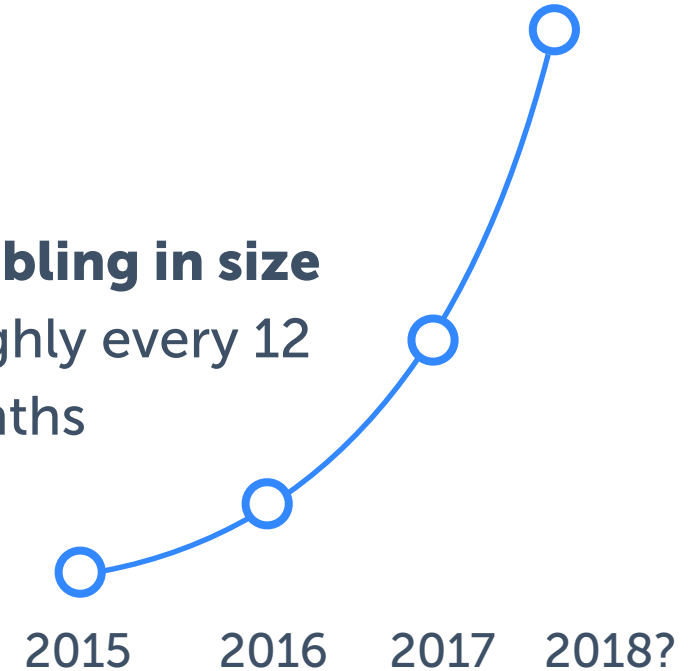
# Now imagine



**Engineering teams** in  
three countries and  
timezones



**Doubling in size**  
roughly every 12  
months



How can we **scale the team** and **product offering** while increasing **developer efficiency** and providing a **consistent user experience**?

We need a  
system.

A

**design system.**

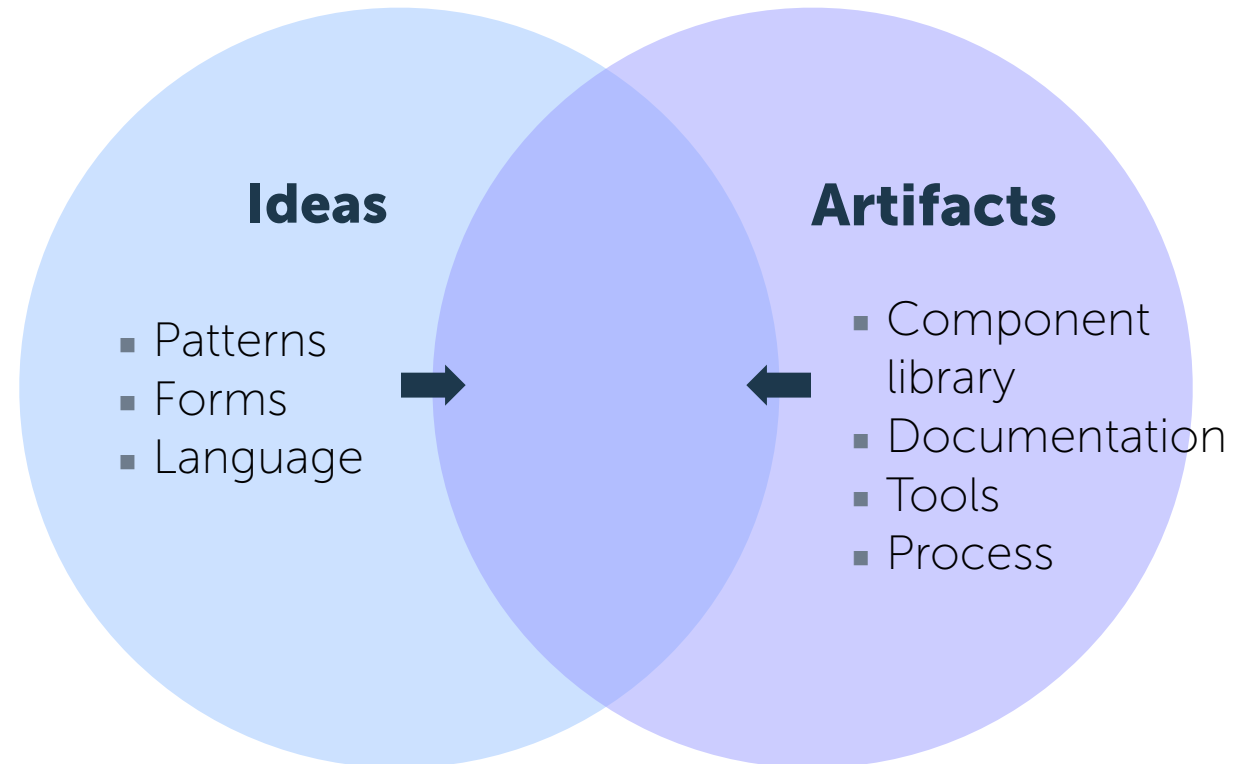
“

A design system is a collection of **reusable components**, guided by **clear standards**, that can be assembled together to build **any number of applications.**

”

- Will Fanguy, Invision

# Elements of a design system



# Elements of a design system

## Design System

Design ideas &  
artifacts that can  
evolve **together** over  
time

# How a design system helps you scale

- Component library ➡ Stop solving solved problems.
- Documentation ➡ Help people answer their own questions.
- Tools ➡ Make it easy to evolve & create a single source of truth.
- Process ➡ Allow many contributions while keeping quality high.

# Our (frontend) scaling challenges

## People



Growing & distributed team in three countries.

## Products



Expanding product offering and diverse tech stack.

## Processes



More and more teams working in parallel.

# Our scaling solutions

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& documentation**

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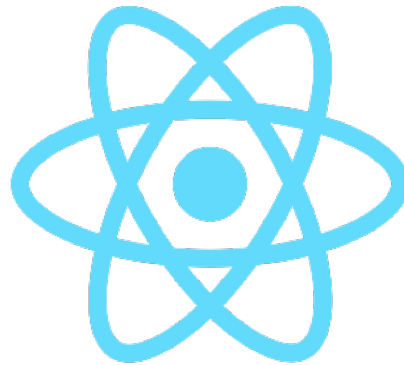
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# Why React?



React JS

# A brief history of web development



**HTML**

for structure

`templates/*.html`



**Javascript**

for behavior

`scripts/*.js`



**CSS**

for design

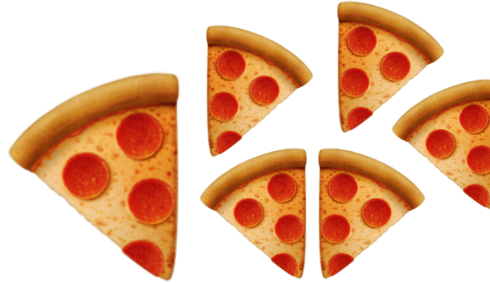
`styles/*.css`

# A brief history of web development



**HTML**  
for structure

templates/\*.html



**Javascript**  
for behavior

scripts/\*.js



**CSS**  
for design

styles/\*.css

```
<div class="my-global-name"></div>    $('my-global-name')    my-global-name { color: red; }
```

# A brief history of web development



## COMPONENT A

structure, behavior, design

ComponentA.js

<ComponentA />



## COMPONENT B

structure, behavior, design

ComponentB.js

<ComponentB />



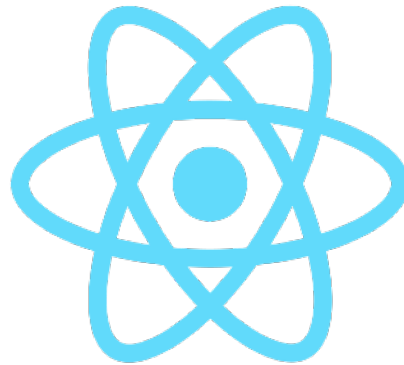
## COMPONENT C

structure, behavior, design

ComponentC.js

<ComponentC />

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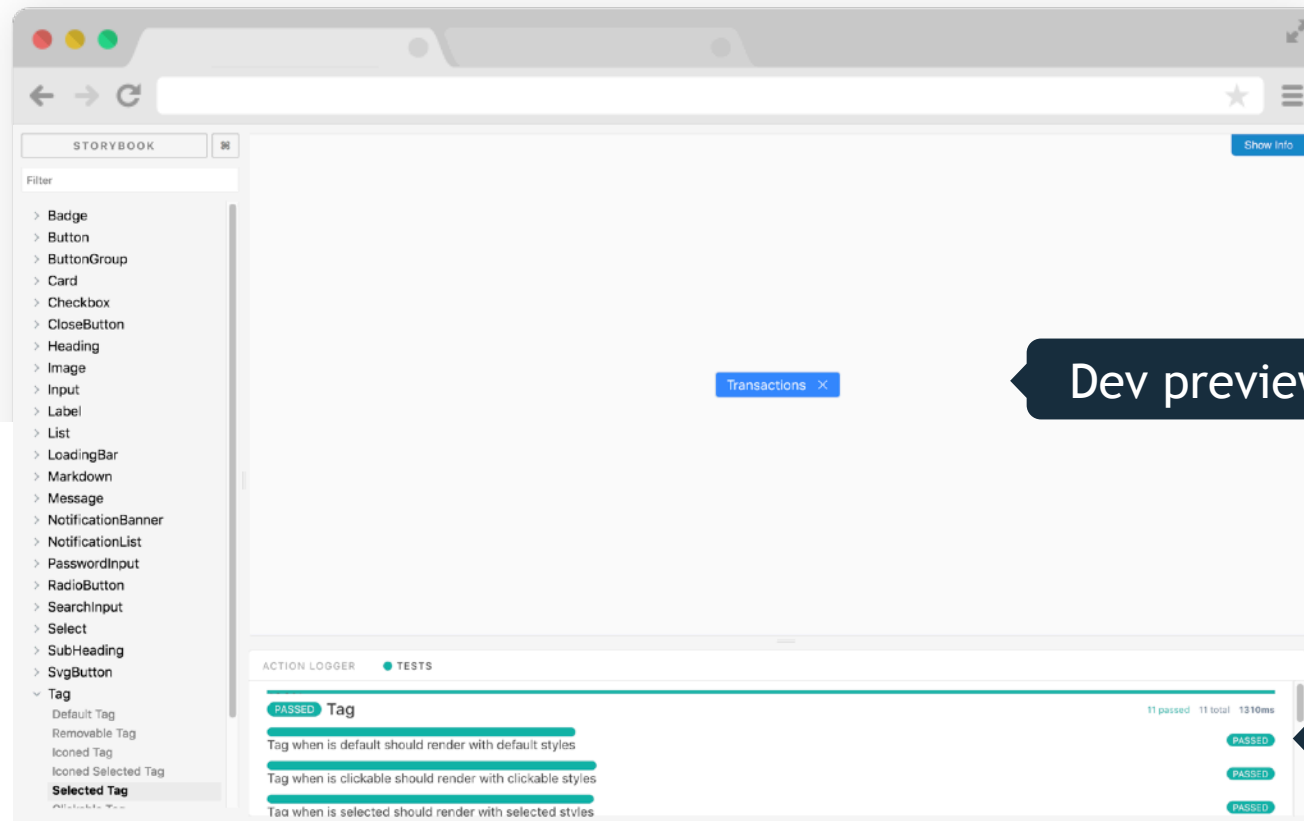
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# Component library workbench



UI components

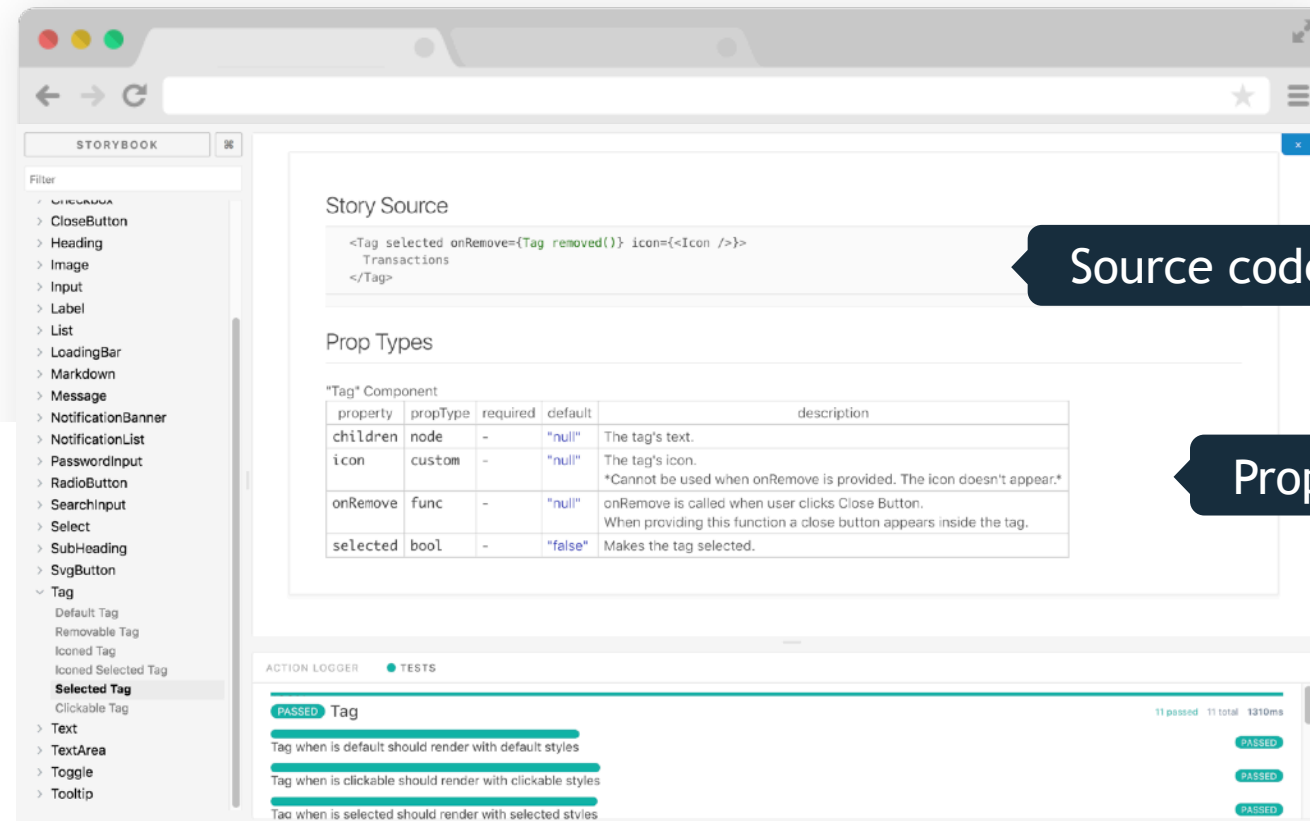
Source code & docs

Dev preview

Test output



# In-context documentation



# What does this give us?

- A productive developer experience ➡ Efficiency!
- Keeps our UI components free of application logic ➡ Reusability!
- Easy to find what components are available ➡ Discoverability!

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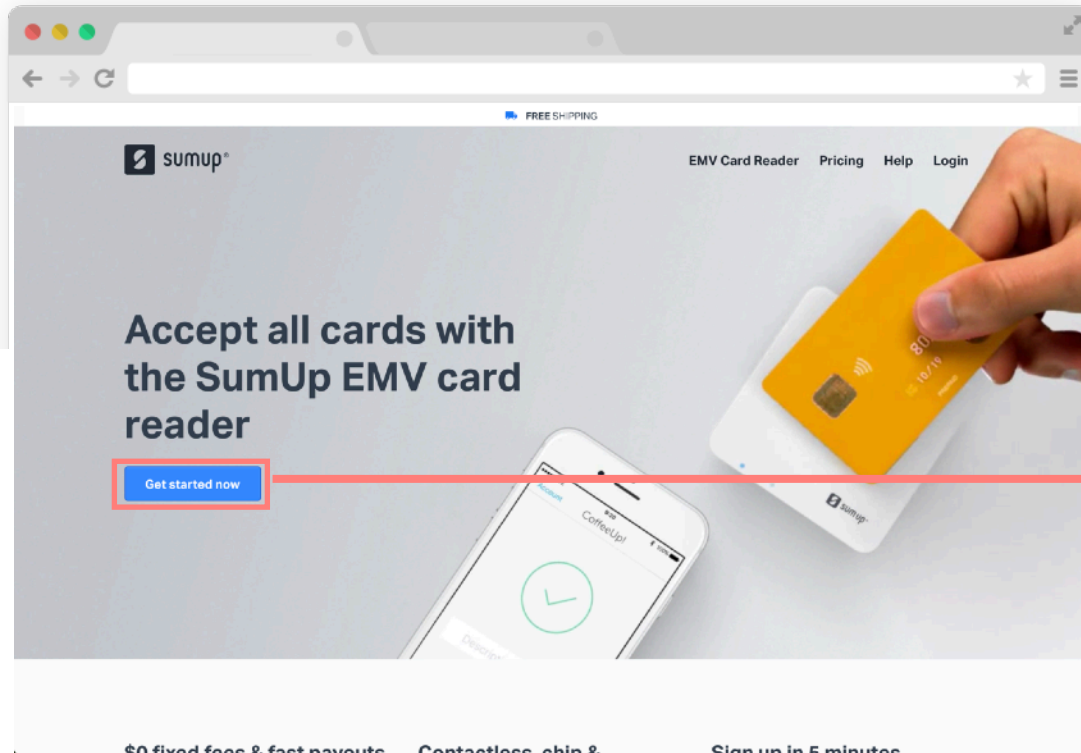
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# What do I mean by theme?



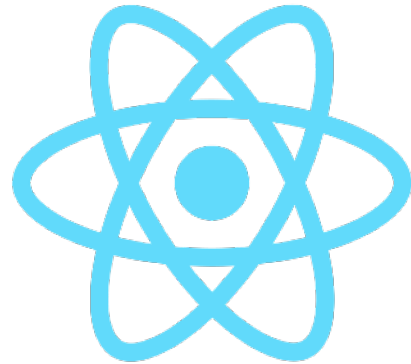
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# The tech we use



**React JS**

View library

+



**Emotion**

css-in-js

# Scaling for more products with themes

CSS

```
const styles = ({ theme }) => css`  
  label: tag;  
  background-color: ${theme.colors.white}  
`;  
;
```

HTML

```
const Tag = styled('span')(styles);  
  
export default Tag;
```

# Scaling for more products with themes

Theme

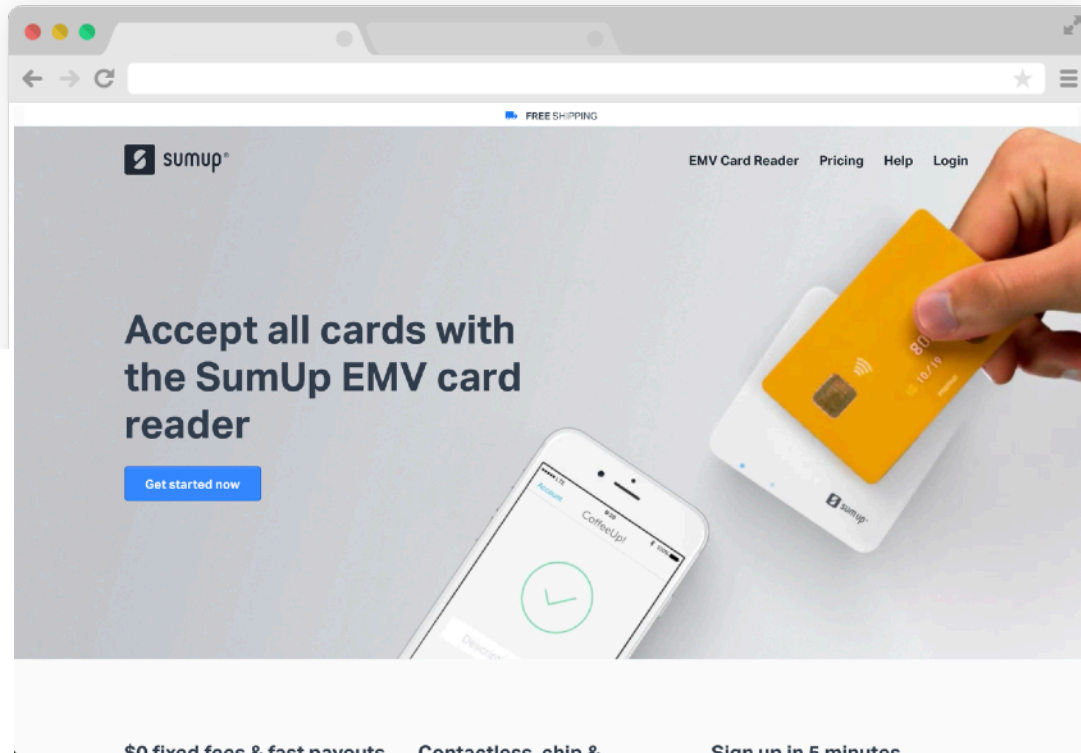
```
export const theme = {  
  colors: {  
    primary: 'cornflower',  
    white: '#FFF',  
    black: '#111'  
  }  
};
```

/—————/

CSS

```
const styles = ({ theme }) => css`  
  label: tag;  
  background-color: ${theme.colors.white}  
`;
```

# Using themes on our website



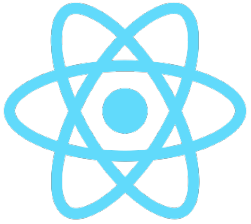
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# Our diverse (web) tech stack



## React JS

Javascript view library



## Next JS

React server-side rendering framework



## Elm

Compiles to Javascript



## Jekyll

Static-site generator



## Riot JS

React-like microframework



## Ruby on Rails

Traditional web app



marketing cloud

## Marketing cloud

Emails & landing pages

# Scaling a design system across tech stacks

**<Tag/>**

Transactions

**<Tag selected/>**

Transactions ×

Relies on both parameters  
("selected") and theme  
("primary color")

# Scaling a design system across tech stacks

<Tag/>

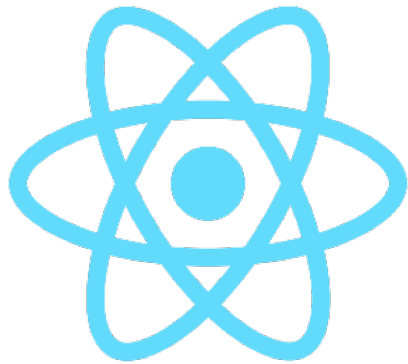
Transactions

<Tag selected/>

Transactions ×

**CSS = (n \* theme) \* params!**

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View library

+



**Emotion**

css-in-js

+



**Node**

CSS generation  
script

# Scaling a design system across tech stacks

Base CSS

```
const styles = ({ theme }) => css`  
  label: tag;  
  background-color: ${theme.colors.white}  
`;  
;
```

Modifying CSS

```
const selectedStyles = ({ theme, selected }) =>  
  selected &&  
  css`  
    label: tag--selected;  
    background-color: ${theme.colors.primary}  
  `;  
;
```

```
const Tag = styled('span')(styles, selectedStyles);  
  
export default Tag;
```

# Scaling a design system across tech stacks

React apps

```
import { Tag } from 'our-library';  
  
<Tag selected onRemove={fn}>  
  Transactions  
</Tag>
```

Plain CSS

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="https://static.sumup.com/  
our-library.1.0.css">  
  
<span class="tag tag--selected" onclick="myFn">  
  <span class="tag__content">  
    Hi  
  </span>  
</span>
```

Transactions X

# The best of both worlds



Modern CSS & easy  
theming



Ability to style older or  
3rd party apps

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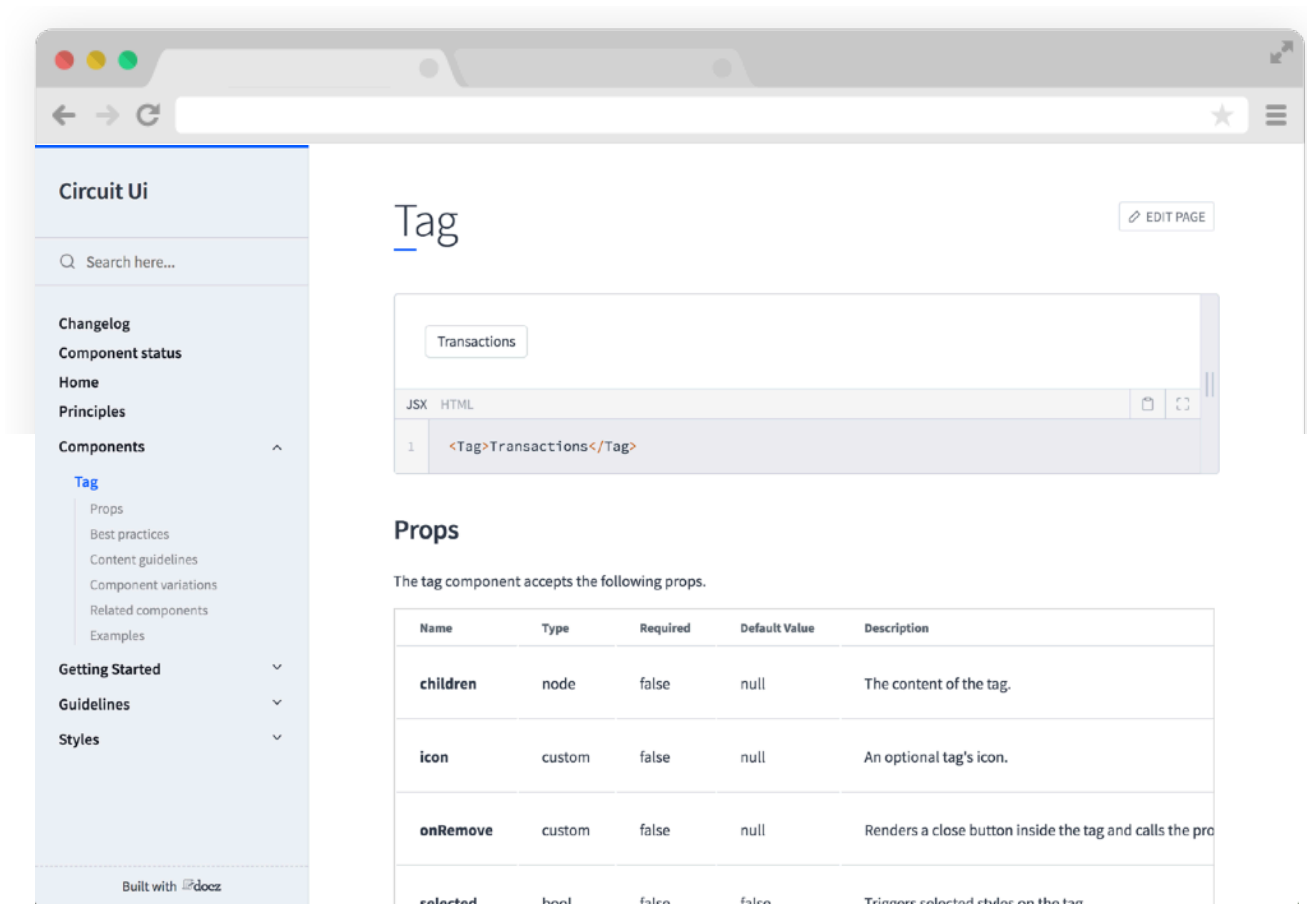
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# Automatically-generated documentation



# Automatically-generated documentation

```
/**
 * A tag component.
 */
const Tag = styled('span')(styles);
Tag.propTypes = {
  /**
   * Renders a close button inside
   * the tag and calls the prop onClick.
   */
  onRemove: PropTypes.func
};

/**
 * @component
 */
export default Tag;
```

**Props**

The tag component accepts the following props.

Name	Type	Required	Default Value	Description
children	node	false	null	The content of the tag.
icon	custom	false	null	An optional tag's icon.
onRemove	custom	false	null	Renders a close button inside the tag and calls the prop
selected	bool	false	false	Triggers selected styles on the tag.

**Best practices**

# Tests for regressions

```
describe('Tag', () => {  
  it(  
    'should render selected styles',  
    () => {  
      const component = create(  
        <Tag selected>SomeTest</Tag>  
      );  
      expect(component).toMatchSnapshot();  
    }  
  );  
});
```

# Tests for regressions

## Our component

Tag.js

## Our tests

Tag.spec.js

## Our snapshots

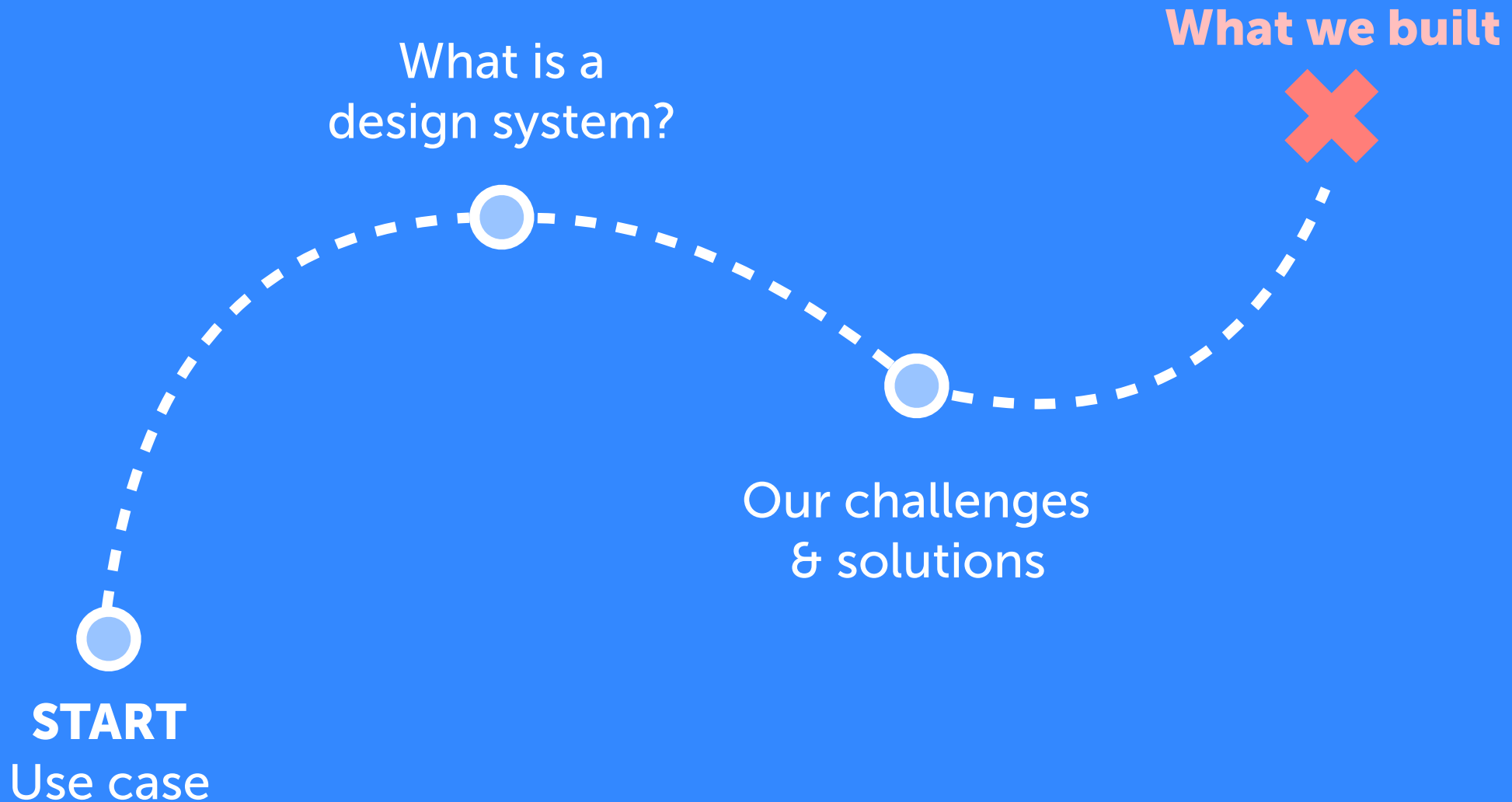
\_\_snapshots\_\_/Tag.spec.js.snap




```
exports[`Tag when is selected should render with selected
styles 1`] = `
.circuit-0 {
  padding: 4px 12px;
  border-radius: 4px;
  border: 1px solid #D8DDE1;
  font-size: 15px;
  line-height: 24px;
  cursor: default;
- background-color: #3388FF;
+ background-color: #EEE;
  color: #FFFFFF;
}

<span
  className="circuit-0 circuit-1"
  selected={true}
>
  SomeTest
</span>
`;
```

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Extend your integration to include our Checkout API to accept payments in your website or app. Best, stand-alone or as omnichannel in combination with the mPOS integration.

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## Omnichannel


Allow your merchant base to get paid whether or not the cashdrawer is present.

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REST API

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 Terminal Payment


To integrate SumUp's proprietary Card Terminal(s) into your app, we provide you with mobile Payment SDKs and API.

 Checkouts


Integrate SumUp Checkouts in your mobile or web applications.

 CASH

The REST API and SDKs identify SumUp applications and users using OAuth.

 Rest API

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# Log in

Your email address

Your password

Log in

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**Overview**

**Weekly Data**

**Total sales revenue**

This is a 25.48% increase over the 255.00 € of the previous period.

**Amount Count**

**Payment Methods**

**Recent sales overview**

Date	Amount	Count
Friday 05/10/2022	2.55 €	1
Thursday 04/10/2022	124.45 €	1
Wednesday 03/10/2022	0.00 €	0



CIRCU4T

100	#FAFBFC
300	#D8DDE1
Neutral	#9DA7B1
700	#5C656F
900	#212933

100	#DAEAFF
300	#7FB5FF
Blue	#3388FF
700	#2567D8
900	#1641AC

100	#C6E5CB
300	#97E2A3
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KILO SUBHEADING 12/20 UPPERCASE

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PADDING: MEGA (16) / BIT (4)

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Hover

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Amount

123.45 €

Description

Name on card

Card number



Expiration date

MM/YY

Verification code ⓘ

123

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```
import { Heading, Text, etc } from '@sumup/circuit-ui';
```

## **P.s. It's open source**

<https://github.com/sumup/circuit-ui>

# Thank you.