## **Building a Canvas App with a Shopping Cart**



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- Using Patch Instead of an Edit Form
- Writing Shopping Cart Data to Back to SharePoint
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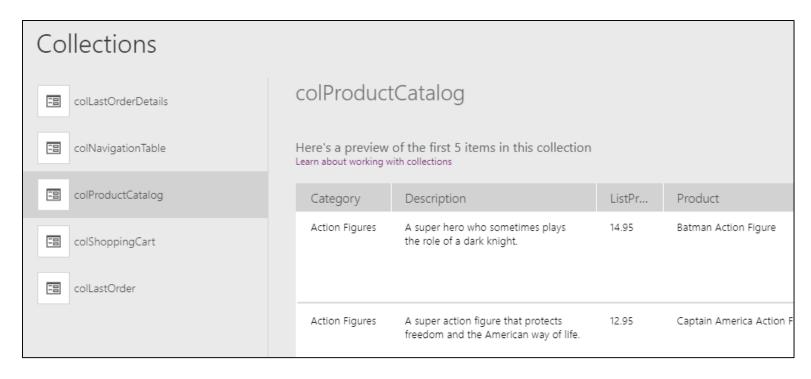
# **Designing with Variables and Collections**

- Context variables
  - Created as primitive, record or table at screen scope
  - Managed using UpdateContext and Navigate
- Global variables
  - Created as primitive, record or table at app scope
  - Created and managed using Set function
- Collections
  - Created as tables at app scope
  - Managed using Collect, Clear and ClearCollect
  - Can be stored to local device using SaveData & LoadData



# **Code Naming Conventions**

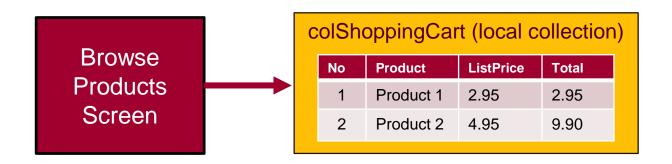
- Consistent naming conventions for variables & collections
  - Names should indicate type, purpose and scope
  - Collection names start with col such as colProductCatalog
  - Global variable names start with gbl such as gblCustomApiUrl
  - Context variables start with loc such as locCustomerFilter



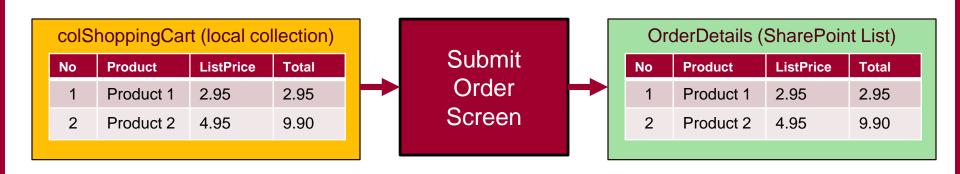


# **Designing Canvas Apps using Collections**

Browse Products Screen allows user to build collection



Submit Order Screen allows user to save to SharePoint





## App OnStart

- App OnStart property used to initialize state in app
  - Event provides support for initializing state in app at startup
  - Commonly used to initialize global variables and collections
  - Right-click App in left navigation to run OnStart while in editor

```
variables ⊕ Advanced
                             : Collections
  ♠ Data sources
                  Media
                                   ClearCollect(colProductCatalog, AddColumns('[dbo].[Products]',"Quantity", 1));
   OnStart
                                   ClearCollect(colNavigationTable, Table(
                                       {NavTitle: "Home", NavTarget: 'Welcome Screen'},
        Components
Screens
                                       {NavTitle: "Browse Customers", NavTarget: 'Browse Customers Screen'},
{NavTitle: "Add Customer", NavTarget: 'Add Customer Screen'},
                                       {NavTitle: "Browse Products", NavTarget: 'Browse Products Screen'}
 P App
                                   ))
  Welcome Screen
    Browse Customers Screen
                                     Format text
                                                    Remove formatting
   Add Customer Screen
```



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## **Updatable Collection Columns**

Often helpful to add updatable column to collections





Columns updated using calls to Patch

```
Patch(colProductCatalog, galProducts.Selected, { Quantity: (ThisItem.Quantity + 1) } )

Patch(colProductCatalog, galProducts.Selected, { Quantity: (ThisItem.Quantity - 1) } )
```





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## Using Patch Instead of an Edit Form

- Sometimes edit forms are not the best option
  - Patch function used to create and update records in data source

```
Patch(
   '[dbo].[Orders]',
   Defaults('[dbo].[Orders]'),
   {
      CustomerId: galCustomers.Selected.CustomerId,
      OrderAmount: Sum(
          colShoppingCart,
          Total
      ),
      OrderDate: Today()
   }
)
```

Patch function can be used with ForAll to insert multiple records



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# **Capturing Return Value from Patch**

```
ClearCollect(
    collastOrder,
    Patch(
        '[dbo].[Orders]',
        Defaults('[dbo].[Orders]'),
            CustomerId: galCustomers.Selected.CustomerId,
            OrderAmount: Sum(
                colShoppingCart,
                Total
            OrderDate: Today()
);
ClearCollect(
    collastOrderDetails,
    ForAll(
        colShoppingCart,
        Patch(
            '[dbo].[OrderDetails]',
            Defaults('[dbo].[OrderDetails]'),
                OrderId: First(colLastOrder).OrderId,
                ProductId: ProductId,
                Quantity: Quantity,
                Total: Total
);
```

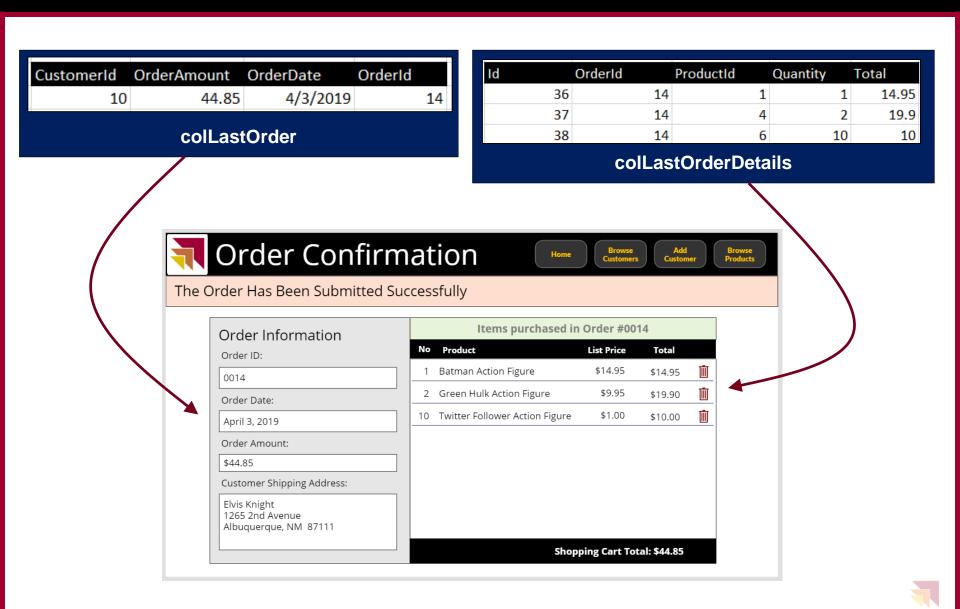
CustomerId	OrderAmount	OrderDate	OrderId				
10	44.85	4/3/2019		14			
colLastOrder							

Id	OrderId	ProductId	Quantity	Total
36	14	1	1	14.95
37	14	4	2	19.9
38	14	6	10	10

#### colLastOrderDetails



# **Populating UI from Cached State**

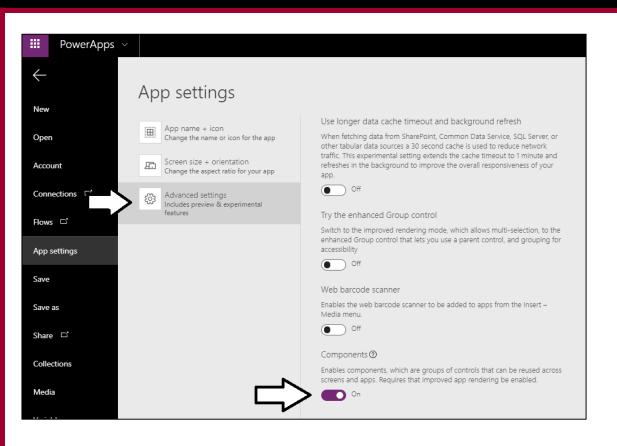




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## **Enabling Components in a Canvas App**

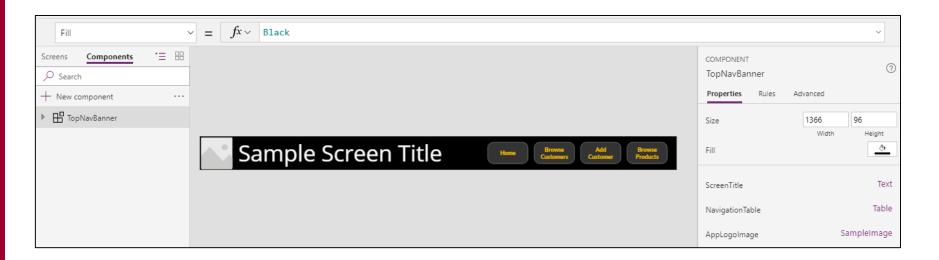


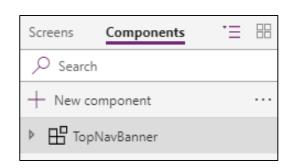


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# **Designing Components**

- Steps to using components
  - Create new component
  - Add component properties
  - Implement component UI and behavior
  - Add component to screens in your canvas apps







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