

## Modules, Components, Data Binding, Directives, Pipes

### I Angular Project Structure

- app folder: contains "modules" and "components" for our Angular application.
- node\_modules folder: contains all packages installed for this project
- assets folder: contains resources such as images, styles, icons, etc.
- environments folder: contains the environment configuration constants that help while building the angular application
- favicon.ico: the icon appears in the browser tab of our application
- index.html: Basic HTML file
- main.ts: the starting point of our application. it bootstraps/starts the AppModule from the app.module.ts file
- polyfills.ts: this file is used to compile our TypeScript to specific JavaScript methods.
- styles.css: global CSS file.
- tests.ts: main test file
- .browserslistrc file: browser compatibility and versions
- .editorconfig: this file deals with consistency in code editors to organize some basics such as indentation and whitespaces
- angular.json: defines the structure of our application. it includes settings associated with our application (+ env).

- `Karma.conf.js`: configuration file for the Karma Test Runner. It is used in Unit Testing
- `package.json`: the npm configuration file. All the dependencies mentioned in this file. We can modify dependency versions as per our need on this file
- `package-lock.json`: whenever we change something on the node-modules or `package.json`, this file will be generated.
- `README.md`: created by default. it contains our project description
- `tsconfig.app.json`: overrides the `tsconfig.json` file with relevant app-specific configurations
- `tsconfig.base.json`: introduced in Angular 10+. It has the same configuration as compared to `tsconfig.json` file
- `tsconfig.json`: TypeScript compiler configuration file. This is responsible for compiling TypeScript to JavaScript so that the browser will understand
- `tsconfig.spec.json`: overrides the `tsconfig.json` file with app-specific ~~and~~ unit test configurations while running the "ng test" command
- `tslint.json`: static analysis tool. This file keeps track of the TypeScript code for readability, maintainability, and functionality errors.



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### II Decorators

Definition: In Angular, the decorators are used to store metadata about a class, method, property or parameter.

Each decorator has a list of arguments which can be set.

→ Class decorator: {  
    @NgModule  
    @Component  
    @Directive

→ Parameter decorator: {  
    @Input  
    @Output

### III Angular modules

Definition: Angular modules keep application code organized by blocks of functionality and features. A root module acts as the starting point for an Angular application.

Each Angular app has a module (called root) to which we can link other modules called feature modules.

### IV Angular components

The components are the main building blocks for an Angular application. Each component is composed of:

- HTML template: what renders on the page.
- Typescript class: that defines the behavior
- CSS selector: define the tag of component, this will be used to call the component in a template
- CSS styles

## V Angular Standalone Components

Components, directives, and pipes can now be standalone. Angular classes marked as standalone do not need to be declared in ~~an~~ a NgModule.

Standalone components specify their dependencies directly instead of getting them through NgModules. Standalone components ~~specify~~ can also be imported into existing NgModule-based contexts.

### Advantages:

- lazy loading
- simplify creation of components
- simplify project structure and module management

## VI Data binding

Data binding allows to define communication between a component and the DOM.

### Types:

- 1) Interpolation: `{{value}}`
- 2) Property binding: `[property]="value"`
- 3) Event binding: `(event)="method()"`
- 4) Two way data binding: `[(ngModel)]="property"`

Interpolation refers to embedding expressions into the text between HTML element tags and within attribute assignments. By default, interpolation uses as its delimiter the double curly braces.



Property binding flows a value in one direction, from a component's property into a target element property.

When an event is triggered, the desired method is called in the component.

Two way data binding allows bidirectional data flow.

## VII @Input() and @Output()

Definition: @Input() and @Output() represents common component communication scenarios in which two or more components share information.

### 1) @Input()

Send a message from parent component to a child component.

### 2) @Output()

Send a message from a child component to the parent component.

## VIII Pipes

Pipes let you declare display-value transformations in your template HTML.

```
{{ title | uppercase }}
```

You can create custom pipes that can manipulate your displayed data in any desired way.

```
@Pipe({name: 'addYears', standalone: true})
export class AddYearsPipe implements PipeTransform {
  transform(value: number): string {
    return value + " years";
  }
}
```

## IX Directives

There are three kinds of directives in Angular:

1. Components: directives with a template
2. Attribute directives: change the appearance or behavior of an element, component, or another directive
3. Structural directives: change the DOM layout by adding and removing DOM elements
  - a) ngIf: makes a DOM element to be added or removed based on a boolean expression
  - b) ngFor: makes a DOM element to be added for how many times the boolean expression is true

## X Commands

- create a new app: `ng new app-name`
- create a new module: `ng generate module-name`
- create a new component: `ng generate component-name`
- install packages (when needed): `npm install`
- run the app (by default runs on `http://localhost:4200`)  
`ng serve`