

# Shifting to a Component-based Design – Angular (2+) Thinking

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# Overview



**What are components?**

**How they differ from directives**

**Component dissection**

**Why a component-based design**

**Design comparisons**



com·po·nent  
/kəm 'pōnənt/

A part or element of a larger whole, especially a part of a machine or vehicle



# What Are Components?

## Component

Appearance

Behavior

Interface

```
<main-navigator></main-navigator>
```

```
<course course-id="10156"  
  show-details="true"></course>
```

The Angular way !  
*and AngularJS*



# Difference from Directives

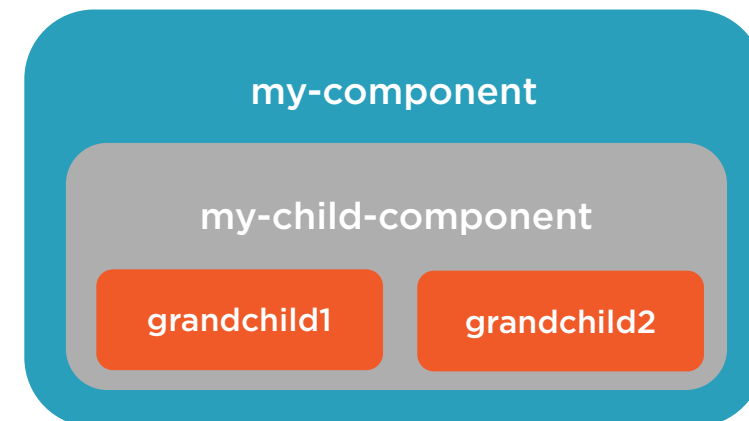
## Directive

```
<my-directive  
  ng-model="boundValue" />  
  
<input type="text"  
  ng-model="boundValue"  
  ng-blur="doSomething()" />
```

Directive instructing the  
HTML input tag to fire a  
function when focus is lost.

## Component

```
<my-component  
  item-id="321" />  
  
<my-child-component  
  item-id="outer-item-id" />
```



# Dissecting a Component

## Template

```
var template = `

## Controller



```
var controller =
function (courseService) {
  var vm = this;
  vm.timeFormat = function (
    module) {

    var hours = 0;
    var minutes =
      Number(module.Minutes);
    var seconds =
      Number(module.Seconds);
```



## Bindings



```
var bindings = {
  course: '<'
}
```



## Component



```
angular.module('courseViewer').component('courseModules',
{
  bindings: bindings,
  controller: controller,
  template: template
});
```



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```

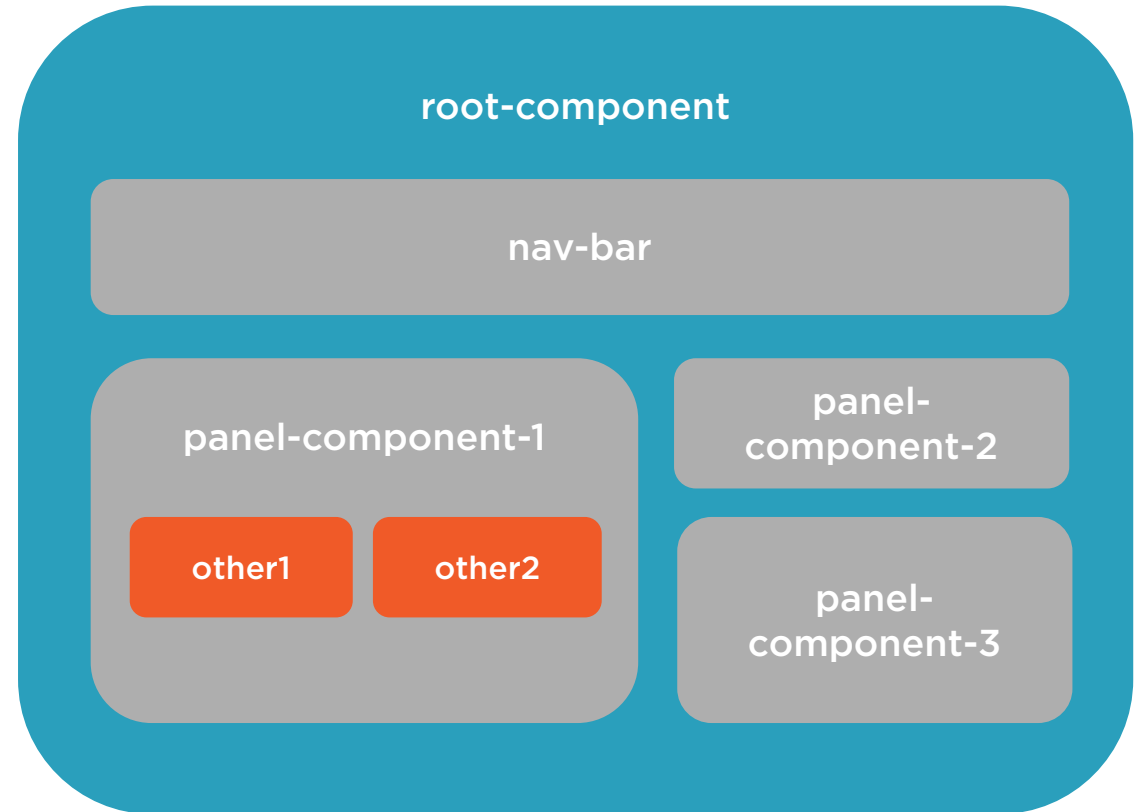
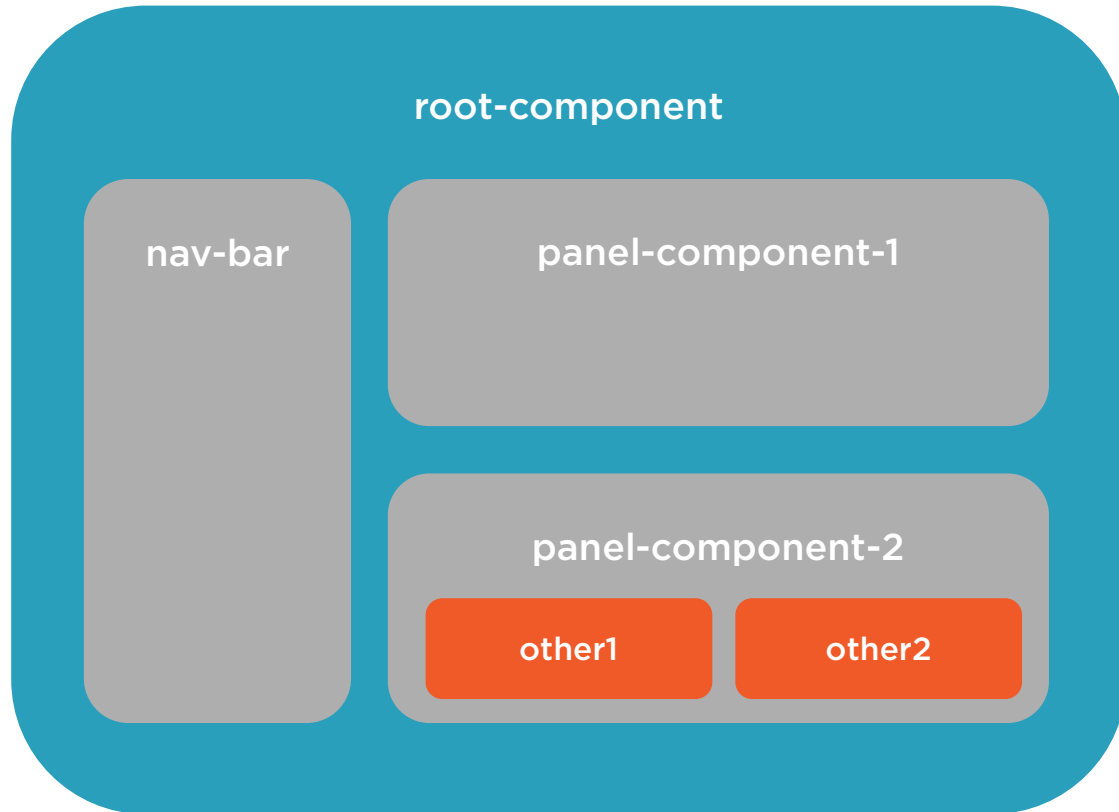
# Dissecting a Component

## Component

```
angular.module('courseViewer').component('courseModules', {
  bindings: {
    course: '<'
  },
  controller: function (courseService) {
    var vm = this;
    vm.timeFormat = function (module) {
      var hours = 0;
      var minutes = Number(module.Minutes);
      var seconds = Number(module.Seconds);
      var moduleLength = courseService.timeFormat(hours, minutes, seconds);
      return moduleLength;
    }
  },
  template: `
    <div class="row" ng-repeat="module in vm.course.Modules">
      <div class="col-md-4">{{ $index }} - {{ module.Title }}</div>
      <div class="col-md-1"></div>
      <div class="col-md-2">{{ vm.timeFormat(module) }}</div>
    </div>
  `
});
```



# Component-based Design





# Other Hierarchical Application Platforms

XAML

```
<Grid>
  <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal">
    <TextBlock Text="First name:" />
    <TextBlock Text="Last name:" />
  </StackPanel>
  <Button Grid.Row="1" Content="Submit" />
  <Button Grid.Row="1" Content="Cancel" />
</Grid>
```

HTML

```
<label>First name:</label>
<input type="text" value="{{name.first}}" />
<span class="apply" data-ng-click="apply()">
  Apply
</span>
<input type="checkbox" value="..." />
```

AngularJS

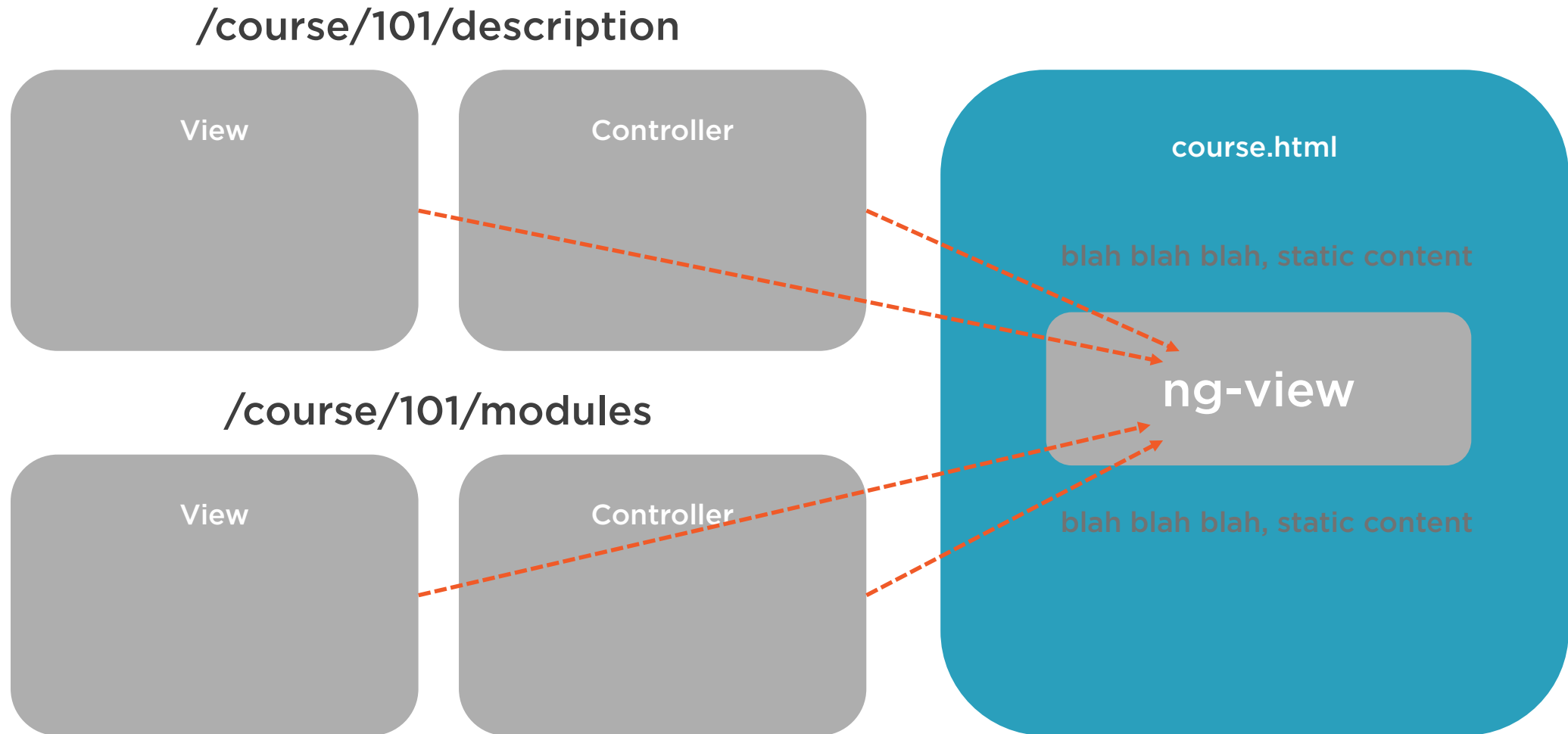
```
angular.module('courseViewer').component('course', {
  bindings: bindings,
  controller: controller,
  template: template
});

angular.module('courseViewer').component('courseModules', {
  bindings: bindings,
  controller: controller,
  template: template
});

angular.module('courseViewer').component('courseDiscussion', {
  bindings: bindings,
  controller: controller,
  template: template
});
```



# Component Design vs. Traditional Design

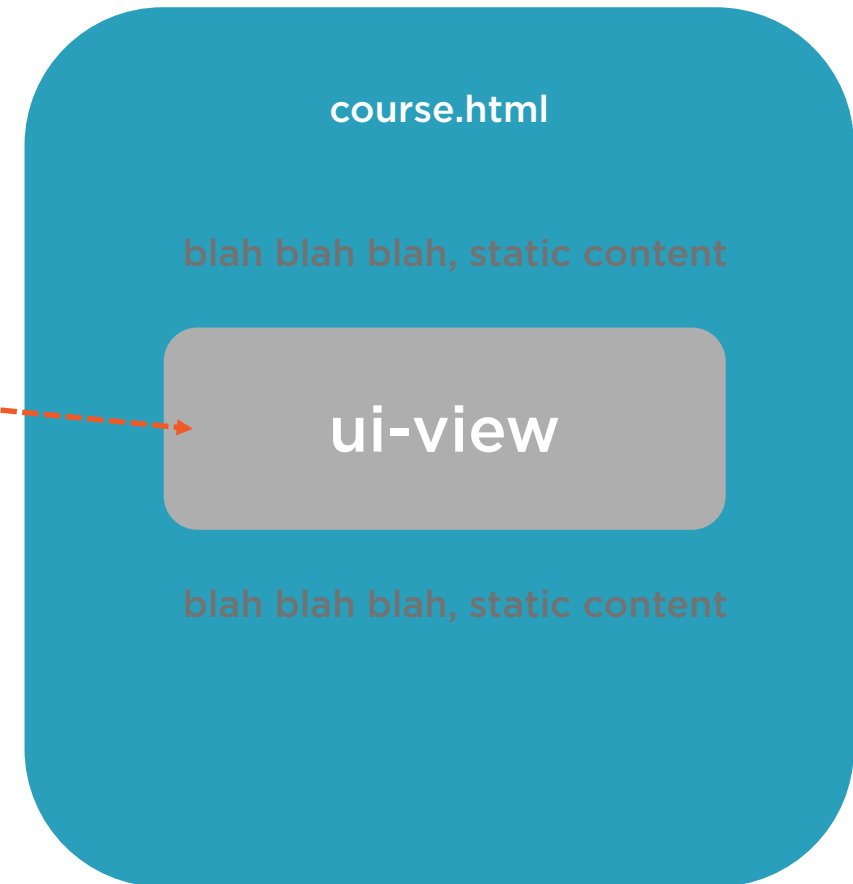
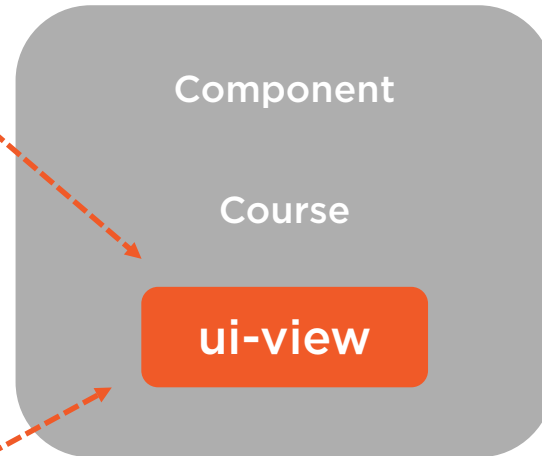
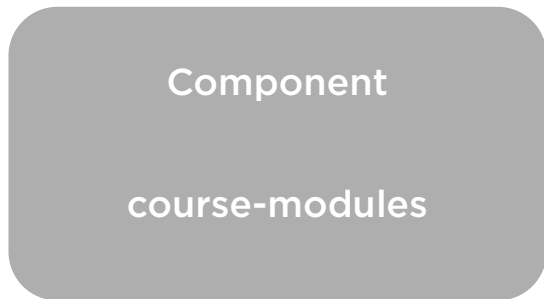


# Component Design vs. Traditional Design

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# Summary



**Component overview**

**Dissecting component into its parts**

**Component-based design**

**vs.**

**Traditional design**

