

Angular Introduction

Goal

In this lab, you will:

- Create a basic Angular application
- Display a list of to-do items
- Add new to-do items to the list
- Mark items as completed

Your mission

In this lab you will create a simple to-do application. Using this application you can manage a list of items that need to be done and add new items to the list. You can also mark items as completed and remove all completed items from the list.

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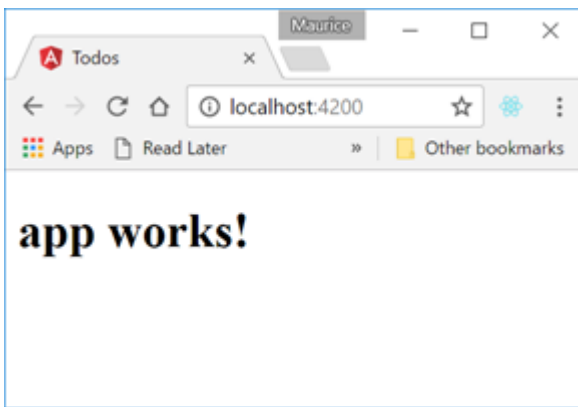
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Create a basic application using the Angular CLI

In this section, you will use the Angular CLI to create a simple to-do list application.

1. Open the **begin** folder of the lab. Notice there is nothing here yet.
2. Create a new Angular application named **todos** using the Angular CLI. This can be done with the command: `ng new todos`
3. Make sure the application works by navigating to the new **todos** folder, starting the web server using the CLI and opening this in the web browser at <http://localhost:4200/>.

```
cd todos
ng server
```



4. Create to-do list component using the Angular CLI. Note that it is useful to open a second terminal window so you don't have to stop the web server every time.

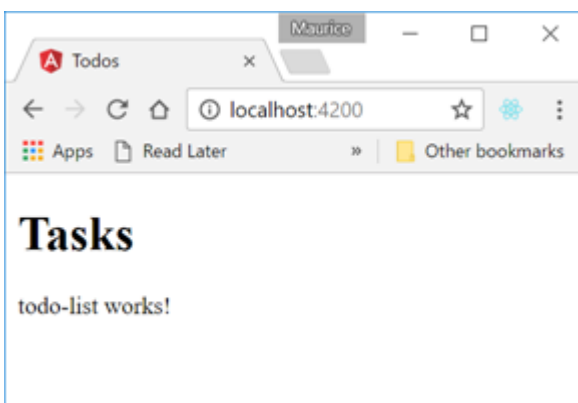
ng generate component TodoList

5. Open **app.component.ts** and change the **title** property to **Tasks**.
6. Open **app.component.html** and add the **TodoList** component to the markup.

```
<h1>
  {{title}}
</h1>

<app-todo-list></app-todo-list>
```

7. Switch back to the browser. You should see it update automatically.



8. Open **todo-list.component.ts** and add an array named **todos** to contain all to-do items. Because there is no way to add new items yet it is helpful to add a few tasks.

```
todos: any[];

ngOnInit() {
  this.todos = [
```

```

    { title: 'Create Angular application using the CLI', done: true },
    { title: 'Implement the to-do application', done: false }
  ];
}

```

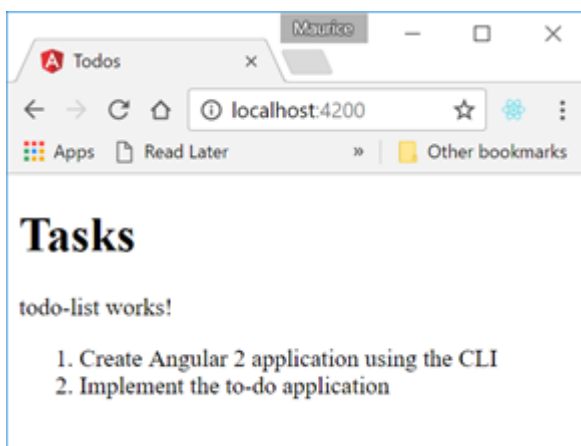
- Open **todo-list.component.html** and add markup to display the list of items. Use the **ngFor** directive to display the list of to-do items.

```

<ol>
  <li *ngFor="let todo of todos">
    {{todo.title}}
  </li>
</ol>

```

- Switch back to the browser. You should see the two to-do items.



Adding new to-do items and marking them as complete

In this section, you will make the application interactive and allow the user to add new tasks to the list.

- Open **todo-list.component.ts** and add a string property named **newTodo** to hold the new to-do text and the code to add a new to-do item to the **todos** array.

```

newTodo: string = 'Make the application interactive';
addTodo() {
  this.todos.push({
    title: this.newTodo,
    done: false
  });
}

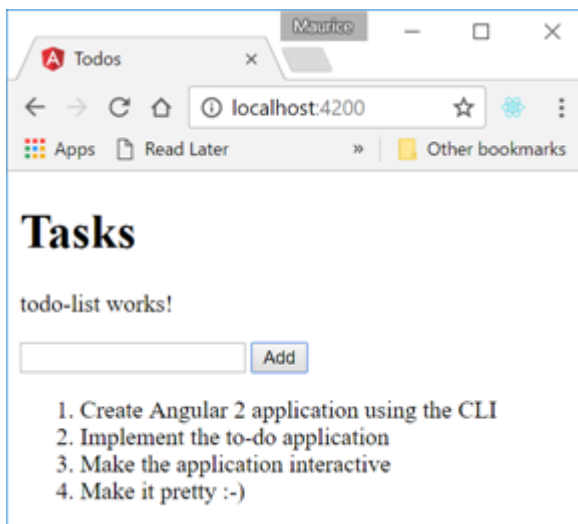
```

```
this.newTodo = '';  
}
```

2. Open **todo-list.component.html** and add the required input element and button. Use the **ngModel** and event binding to the **click** property to make the form operational.

```
<div>  
  <input type="text" [(ngModel)]="newTodo" />  
  <button (click)="addTodo()">  
    Add  
  </button>  
</div>
```

3. Switch back to the browser. You can now add new items to the list of to-do items.



4. Because a to-do item needs to have interactivity it is best to turn it onto a separate component. Create a new component named **TodoItem**.

```
ng generate component TodoItem
```

5. Open **todo-list.component.html** and replace the contents of the HTML **** tag with the new **TodoItem** control. Pass the current to-do items as the **item** property of the **TodoItem** control.

```
<ol>  
  <li *ngFor="let todo of todos">  
    <app-todo-item [item]="todo"></app-todo-item>  
  </li>  
</ol>
```

6. Open **todo-item.component.ts** and add an input property named **item** to hold the current to-do item.

```
import { Component, OnInit, Input } from '@angular/core';

@Component({
  selector: 'app-todo-item',
  templateUrl: './todo-item.component.html',
  styleUrls: ['./todo-item.component.css']
})
export class TodoItemComponent implements OnInit {

  @Input() item: any;

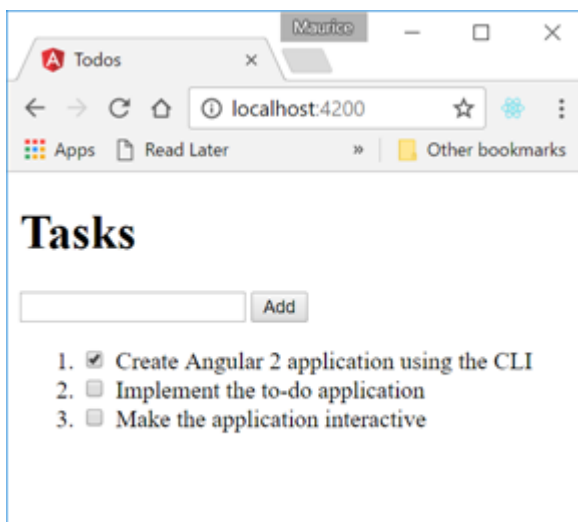
  constructor() { }

  ngOnInit() {
  }
}
```

7. Open **todo-item.component.html** and add the markup to display the to-do item. Add a HTML **<input>** element of type **checkbox** and use the **ngModel** directive to bind it to the **item done** property.

```
<div>
  <input type="checkbox" [(ngModel)]="item.done" />
  {{item.title}}
</div>
```

8. Switch back to the browser. You can now mark to-do items as done using the checkbox.



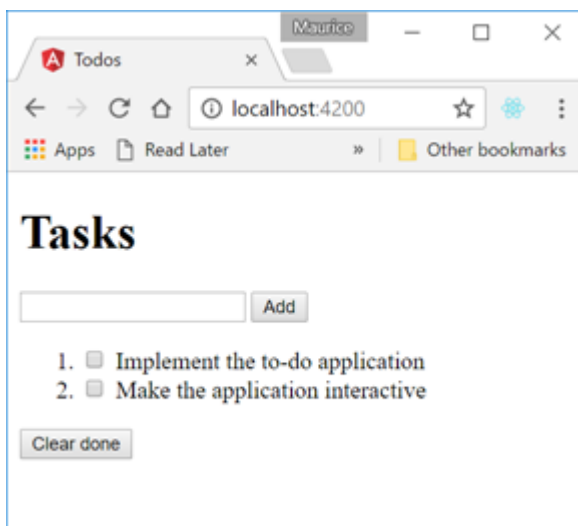
9. Open `todo-list.component.html` and add an HTML `<button>` element to remove all completed items from the list of tasks. Add a property binding for the `click` handler to call the `clearDone()` function.

```
<div>
  <button (click)="clearDone()">Clear done</button>
</div>
```

10. Open `todo-list.component.ts` and add the `clearDone()` function to remove done items from the list.

```
clearDone() {
  this.todos = this.todos.filter(todo => !todo.done);
}
```

11. Switch back to the browser. You can now remove all items that are marked as done.



Improve the user interface

The to-do list is functional but can be improved upon.

1. Use a strike-through font style when a to-do item is marked as **done**. Open `todo-item.component.css` and add the following CSS class.

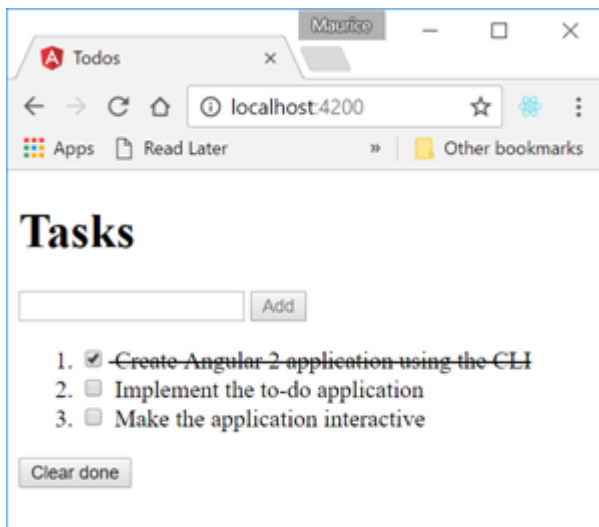
```
.done {
  text-decoration: line-through;
}
```

2. Open `todo-item.component.html` and update the markup to use the new class when an item is marked as done.

```
<div [ngClass]="{done: item.done}">
  <input type="checkbox" [(ngModel)]="item.done" />
  {{item.title}}
</div>
```

3. Disable the **Add** button if no text to add.

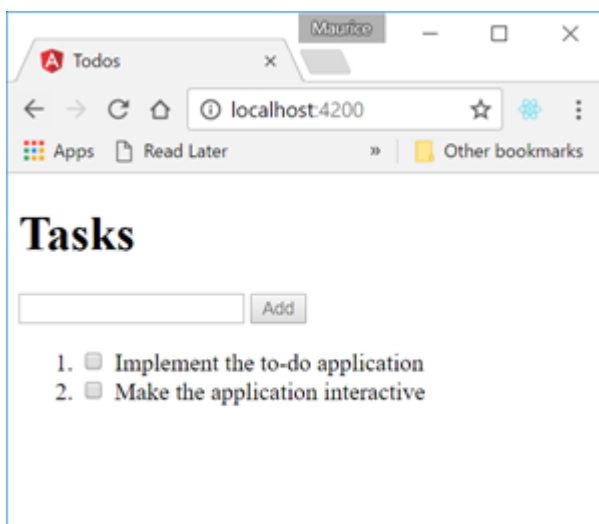
```
<button (click)="addTodo()" [disabled]="!newTodo">
  Add
</button>
```



4. Remove the **Clear** button if there are no completed to-do items.

```
get allDone() {
  return !this.todos.some(todo => todo.done);
}
```

```
<div *ngIf="!allDone">
  <button (click)="clearDone()">Clear done</button>
</div>
```



Solution

The Solution can be found in **complete** folder