Getting started with Angular

Welcome to Angular!

This tutorial introduces you to the essentials of Angular by walking you through building an e-commerce site with a catalog, shopping cart, and check-out form.

To help you get started right away, this tutorial uses a ready-made application that you can examine and modify interactively on StackBlitz —without having to set up a local work environment. StackBlitz is a browser-based development environment where you can create, save, and share projects using a variety of technologies.

Prerequisites

To get the most out of this tutorial, you should already have a basic understanding of the following.

- HTML ☑
- JavaScript ☑
- TypeScript ☑

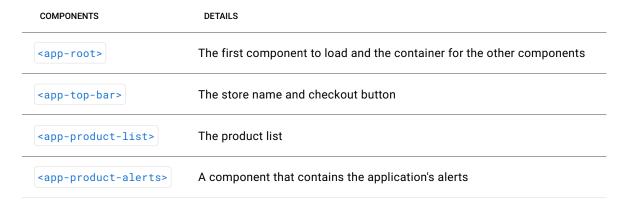
Take a tour of the example application

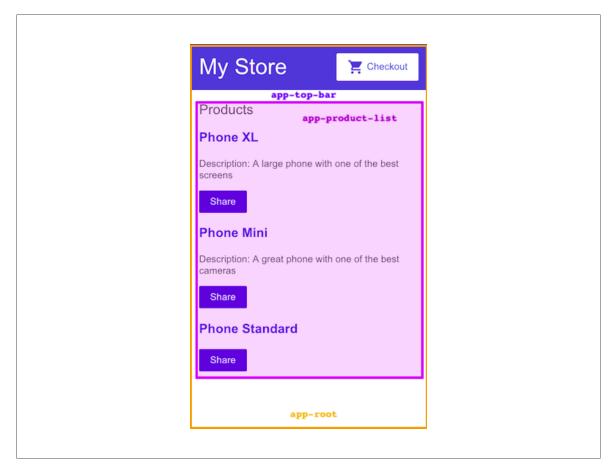
You build Angular applications with components. Components define areas of responsibility in the UI that let you reuse sets of UI functionality.

A component consists of three things:

COMPONENT PART	DETAILS
A component class	Handles data and functionality
An HTML template	Determines the UI
Component-specific styles	Define the look and feel

This guide demonstrates building an application with the following components:



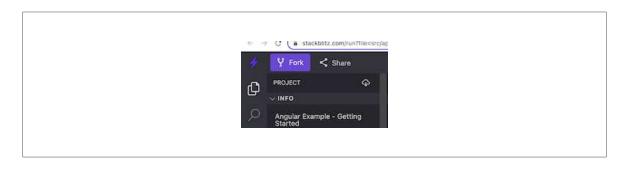


For more information about components, see Introduction to Components.

Create the sample project

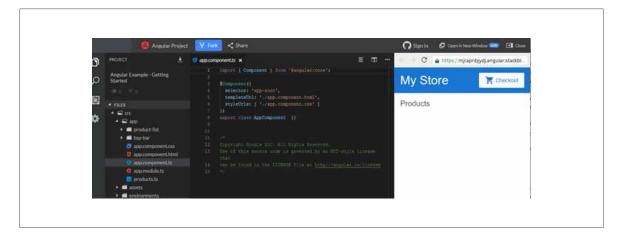
To create the sample project, generate the ready-made sample project in StackBlitz. To save your work:

- 1. Log into StackBlitz.
- 2. Fork the project you generated.
- 3. Save periodically.



In StackBlitz, the preview pane on the right shows the starting state of the example application. The preview features two areas:

- A top bar with the store name, My Store, and a checkout button
- A header for a product list, Products



The project section on the left shows the source files that make up the application, including the infrastructure and configuration files.

When you generate the StackBlitz example applications that accompany the tutorials, StackBlitz creates the starter files and mock data for you. The files you use throughout the tutorial are in the src folder.

For more information on how to use StackBlitz, see the StackBlitz documentation 2.

Create the product list

In this section, you'll update the application to display a list of products. You'll use predefined product data from the products.ts file and methods from the product-list.component.ts file. This section guides you through editing the HTML, also known as the template.

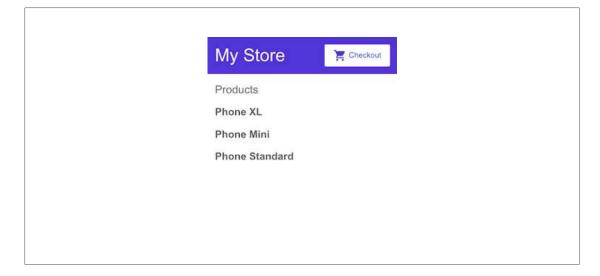
- 1. In the product-list folder, open the template file product-list.component.html.
- 2. Add an *ngFor structural directive on a <div>, as follows.

With *ngFor, the <div> repeats for each product in the list.

Structural directives shape or reshape the DOM's structure, by adding, removing, and manipulating elements. For more information about structural directives, see Structural directives.

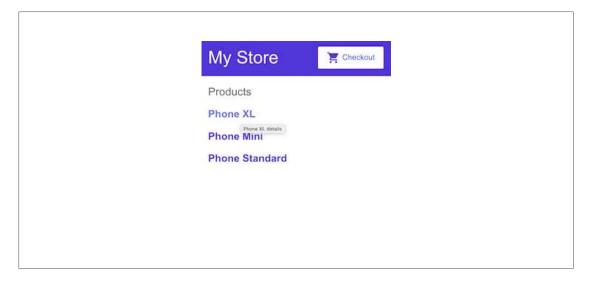
3. Inside the <div>, add an <h3> and {{ product.name }}. The {{ product.name }} statement is an example of Angular's interpolation syntax. Interpolation {{ }} lets you render the property value as text.

The preview pane updates to display the name of each product in the list.



- 4. To make each product name a link to product details, add the | <a> | element around | {{ product.name }} |
- 5. Set the title to be the product's name by using the property binding [] syntax, as follows:

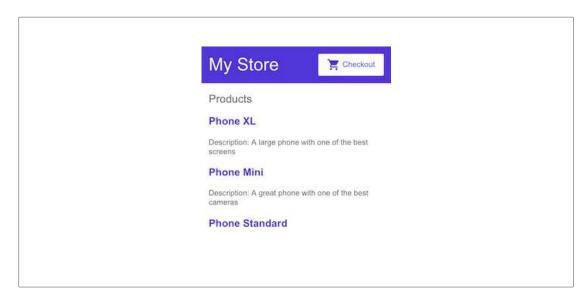
In the preview pane, hover over a product name to see the bound name property value, which is the product name plus the word "details". Property binding [] lets you use the property value in a template expression.



6. Add the product descriptions. On a element, use an *ngIf directive so that Angular only creates the element if the current product has a description.

The application now displays the name and description of each product in the list. Note that the final product does not have a description paragraph. Angular doesn't create the element because the

product's description property is empty.



7. Add a button so users can share a product. Bind the button's click event to the share() method in product-list.component.ts. Event binding uses a set of parentheses, (), around the event, as in the (click) event on the <button> element.

Each product now has a **Share** button.

My Store	Checkout
Products	
Phone XL	
Description: A large phone screens	with one of the best
Share	
Phone Mini	
Description: A great phone cameras	with one of the best
Share	
Phone Standard	
Share	

Clicking the Share button triggers an alert that states, "The product has been shared!".



In editing the template, you have explored some of the most popular features of Angular templates. For more information, see Introduction to components and templates.

Pass data to a child component

Currently, the product list displays the name and description of each product. The ProductListComponent also defines a products products array in products.ts.

The next step is to create a new alert feature that will use product data from the ProductListComponent. The alert should check the product's price. If it is found to be greater than \$700, a Notify Me button should be displayed. When a user clicks on the button, they should be able to sign up for notifications that will inform them when the product goes on sale.

This section walks you through creating a child component, ProductAlertsComponent, that can receive data from its parent component, ProductListComponent.

1. Click on the plus sign above the current terminal to create a new terminal to run the command to generate the component.

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Terminal

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```

2. In the new terminal, generate a new component named product-alerts by running the following command:

```
ng generate component product-alerts
```

The generator creates starter files for the three parts of the component:

```
product-alerts.component.tsproduct-alerts.component.htmlproduct-alerts.component.css
```

3. Open product-alerts.component.ts. The @Component() decorator indicates that the following class is a component. @Component() also provides metadata about the component, including its selector, templates, and styles.

```
src/app/product-alerts/product-alerts.component.ts

@Component({
    selector: 'app-product-alerts',
    templateUrl: './product-alerts.component.html',
    styleUrls: ['./product-alerts.component.css']
})
export class ProductAlertsComponent {
```

Key features in the @Component() are as follows:

- The selector, app-product-alerts, identifies the component. By convention, Angular component selectors begin with the prefix app-, followed by the component name.
- o The template and style filenames reference the component's HTML and CSS
- The @Component() definition also exports the class, ProductAlertsComponent, which handles functionality for the component
- 4. To set up ProductAlertsComponent to receive product data, first import Input from @angular/core.

```
src/app/product-alerts/product-alerts.component.ts

import { Component, Input } from '@angular/core';
import { Product } from '../products';
```

5. In the ProductAlertsComponent class definition, define a property named product with an @Input() decorator. The @Input() decorator indicates that the property value passes in from the component's parent, ProductListComponent.

```
src/app/product-alerts/product-alerts.component.ts

export class ProductAlertsComponent {
    @Input() product: Product | undefined;
}
```

6. Open product-alerts.component.html and replace the placeholder paragraph with a **Notify Me** button that appears if the product price is over \$700.

7. The generator automatically added the ProductAlertsComponent to the AppModule to make it available to other components in the application.

```
src/app/app.module.ts

import { ProductAlertsComponent } from './product-alerts/product-
alerts.component';

@NgModule({
   declarations: [
     AppComponent,
     TopBarComponent,
     ProductListComponent,
     ProductAlertsComponent,
],
```

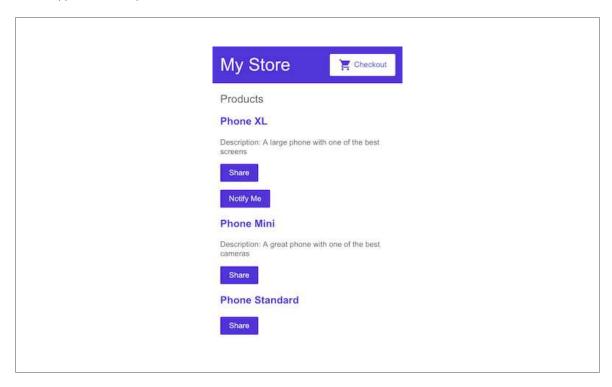
8. Finally, to display ProductAlertsComponent as a child of ProductListComponent, add the <appproduct-alerts> element to product-list.component.html. Pass the current product as input to the
component using property binding.

```
src/app/product-list/product-list.component.html

<button type="button" (click)="share()">
    Share
  </button>

<app-product-alerts
    [product]="product">
    </app-product-alerts></app-product-alerts>
```

The new product alert component takes a product as input from the product list. With that input, it shows or hides the **Notify Me** button, based on the price of the product. The Phone XL price is over \$700, so the **Notify Me** button appears on that product.



Pass data to a parent component

To make the **Notify Me** button work, the child component needs to notify and pass the data to the parent component. The ProductAlertsComponent needs to emit an event when the user clicks **Notify Me** and the ProductListComponent needs to respond to the event.

1. In product-alerts.component.ts, import Output and EventEmitter from @angular/core.

```
src/app/product-alerts/product-alerts.component.ts

import { Component, Input, Output, EventEmitter } from '@angular/core';
import { Product } from '../products';
```

2. In the component class, define a property named notify with an @Output() decorator and an instance of EventEmitter(). Configuring ProductAlertsComponent with an @Output() allows the ProductAlertsComponent to emit an event when the value of the notify property changes.

```
src/app/product-alerts/product-alerts.component.ts

export class ProductAlertsComponent {
   @Input() product: Product | undefined;
   @Output() notify = new EventEmitter();
}
```

3. In product-alerts.component.html, update the Notify Me button with an event binding to call the notify.emit() method.

4. Define the behavior that happens when the user clicks the button. The parent, ProductListComponent

—not the ProductAlertsComponent — acts when the child raises the event. In product—

list.component.ts, define an onNotify() method, similar to the share() method.

```
src/app/product-list/product-list.component.ts

export class ProductListComponent {
   products = [...products];
   share() {
      window.alert('The product has been shared!');
   }
   onNotify() {
      window.alert('You will be notified when the product goes on sale');
   }
}
```

5. Update the ProductAlertsComponent.

In product-list.component.html, bind <a pp-product-alerts to the onNotify() method of the product list component. <a product-alerts is what displays the Notify Me button.

```
src/app/product-list/product-list.component.html

<button type="button" (click)="share()">
    Share
    </button>

<app-product-alerts
    [product]="product"
        (notify)="onNotify()">
        </app-product-alerts>
```

6. Click the **Notify Me** button to trigger an alert which reads, "You will be notified when the product goes on sale".



For more information on communication between components, see Component Interaction.

What's next

In this section, you've created an application that iterates through data and features components that communicate with each other.

To continue exploring Angular and developing this application:

- Continue to In-app navigation to create a product details page.
- Skip ahead to Deployment to move to local development, or deploy your application to Firebase or your own server.

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Adding navigation

This guide builds on the first step of the Getting Started tutorial, Get started with a basic Angular app.

At this stage of development, the online store application has a basic product catalog.

In the following sections, you'll add the following features to the application:

- Type a URL in the address bar to navigate to a corresponding product page
- Click links on the page to navigate within your single-page application
- Click the browser's back and forward buttons to navigate the browser history intuitively

Associate a URL path with a component

The application already uses the Angular Router to navigate to the ProductListComponent. This section shows you how to define a route to show individual product details.

1. Generate a new component for product details. In the terminal generate a new product-details component by running the following command:

```
ng generate component product-details
```

2. In app.module.ts, add a route for product details, with a path of products/:productId and ProductDetailsComponent for the component.

```
src/app/app.module.ts
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
     ReactiveFormsModule,
    RouterModule.forRoot([
       { path: '', component: ProductListComponent },
       { path: 'products/:productId', component: ProductDetailsComponent },
     ])
  ],
  declarations: [
    AppComponent,
    TopBarComponent,
    ProductListComponent,
     ProductAlertsComponent,
    ProductDetailsComponent,
  ],
```

- 3. Open product-list.component.html.
- 4. Modify the product name anchor to include a routerLink with the product.id as a parameter.

The RouterLink directive helps you customize the anchor element. In this case, the route, or URL, contains one fixed segment, /products. The final segment is variable, inserting the id property of the current product. For example, the URL for a product with an id of 1 would be similar to https://getting-started-myfork.stackblitz.io/products/1.

5. Verify that the router works as intended by clicking the product name. The application should display the ProductDetailsComponent, which currently says "product-details works!"

Notice that the URL in the preview window changes. The final segment is products/# where # is the number of the route you clicked.



View product details

The ProductDetailsComponent handles the display of each product. The Angular Router displays components based on the browser's URL and your defined routes.

In this section, you'll use the Angular Router to combine the products data and route information to display the specific details for each product.

1. In product-details.component.ts, import ActivatedRoute from @angular/router, and the products array from ../products.

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

import { Component, OnInit } from '@angular/core';
import { ActivatedRoute } from '@angular/router';

import { Product, products } from '../products';
```

2. Define the product property.

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

export class ProductDetailsComponent implements OnInit {
    product: Product | undefined;
    /* ... */
}
```

3. Inject ActivatedRoute into the constructor() by adding private route: ActivatedRoute as an argument within the constructor's parentheses.

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

export class ProductDetailsComponent implements OnInit {
   product: Product | undefined;
   constructor(private route: ActivatedRoute) { }
}
```

ActivatedRoute is specific to each component that the Angular Router loads. ActivatedRoute contains information about the route and the route's parameters.

By injecting ActivatedRoute, you are configuring the component to use a service. The Managing Data step covers services in more detail.

4. In the ngOnInit() method, extract the productId from the route parameters and find the corresponding product in the products array.

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

ngOnInit() {
    // First get the product id from the current route.
    const routeParams = this.route.snapshot.paramMap;
    const productIdFromRoute = Number(routeParams.get('productId'));

// Find the product that correspond with the id provided in route.
    this.product = products.find(product => product.id === productIdFromRoute);
}
```

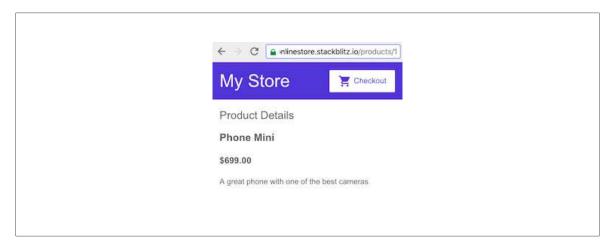
The route parameters correspond to the path variables you define in the route. To access the route parameters, we use route.snapshot, which is the ActivatedRouteSnapshot that contains information

about the active route at that particular moment in time. The URL that matches the route provides the productId to display the details for each unique product.

5. Update the ProductDetailsComponent template to display product details with an *ngIf. If a product exists, the <div> renders with a name, price, and description.

The line, <h4>{{ product.price | currency }}</h4>, uses the currency pipe to transform product.price from a number to a currency string. A pipe is a way you can transform data in your HTML template. For more information about Angular pipes, see Pipes.

When users click on a name in the product list, the router navigates them to the distinct URL for the product, shows the ProductDetailsComponent, and displays the product details.



For more information about the Angular Router, see Routing & Navigation.

What's next

You have configured your application so you can view product details, each with a distinct URL.

To continue exploring Angular:

- Continue to Managing Data to add a shopping cart feature, manage cart data, and retrieve external data for shipping prices
- Skip ahead to Deployment to deploy your application to Firebase or move to local development

Managing data

This guide builds on the second step of the Getting started with a basic Angular application tutorial, Adding navigation. At this stage of development, the store application has a product catalog with two views: a product list and product details. Users can click on a product name from the list to see details in a new view, with a distinct URL, or route.

This step of the tutorial guides you through creating a shopping cart in the following phases:

- Update the product details view to include a **Buy** button, which adds the current product to a list of products that a cart service manages
- Add a cart component, which displays the items in the cart
- Add a shipping component, which retrieves shipping prices for the items in the cart by using Angular's HttpClient to retrieve shipping data from a . json file

Create the shopping cart service

In Angular, a service is an instance of a class that you can make available to any part of your application using Angular's dependency injection system.

Currently, users can view product information, and the application can simulate sharing and notifications about product changes.

The next step is to build a way for users to add products to a cart. This section walks you through adding a **Buy** button and setting up a cart service to store information about products in the cart.

Define a cart service

This section walks you through creating the CartService that tracks products added to shopping cart.

1. In the terminal generate a new cart service by running the following command:

```
ng generate service cart
```

2. Import the Product interface from ./products.ts into the cart.service.ts file, and in the CartService class, define an items property to store the array of the current products in the cart.

```
import { Product } from './products';
import { Injectable } from '@angular/core';
/* . . . */
@Injectable({
    providedIn: 'root'
})
export class CartService {
    items: Product[] = [];
/* . . . */
}
```

3. Define methods to add items to the cart, return cart items, and clear the cart items.

```
src/app/cart.service.ts

@Injectable({
    providedIn: 'root'
})
    export class CartService {
        items: Product[] = [];
    /* . . . */

        addToCart(product: Product) {
            this.items.push(product);
        }

        getItems() {
            return this.items;
        }

        clearCart() {
            this.items = [];
            return this.items;
        }

        /* . . . */
}
```

- The addToCart() method appends a product to an array of items
- The getItems() method collects the items users add to the cart and returns each item with its associated quantity
- The clearCart() method returns an empty array of items, which empties the cart

Use the cart service

1. In product-details.component.ts, import the cart service.

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

import { Component, OnInit } from '@angular/core';
import { ActivatedRoute } from '@angular/router';

import { Product, products } from '../products';
import { CartService } from '../cart.service';
```

2. Inject the cart service by adding it to the constructor().

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

export class ProductDetailsComponent implements OnInit {
    constructor(
        private route: ActivatedRoute,
        private cartService: CartService
    ) { }
}
```

3. Define the addToCart() method, which adds the current product to the cart.

```
src/app/product-details/product-details.component.ts

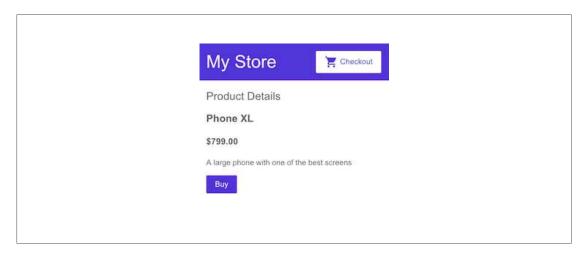
export class ProductDetailsComponent implements OnInit {

addToCart(product: Product) {
   this.cartService.addToCart(product);
   window.alert('Your product has been added to the cart!');
  }
}
```

The addToCart() method does the following:

- Takes the current product as an argument
- Uses the CartService addToCart() method to add the product to the cart
- o Displays a message that you've added a product to the cart
- 4. In product-details.component.html, add a button with the label Buy, and bind the click() event to the addToCart() method. This code updates the product details template with a Buy button that adds the current product to the cart.

5. Verify that the new **Buy** button appears as expected by refreshing the application and clicking on a product's name to display its details.



6. Click the **Buy** button to add the product to the stored list of items in the cart and display a confirmation message.



Create the cart view

For customers to see their cart, you can create the cart view in two steps:

- 1. Create a cart component and configure routing to the new component.
- 2. Display the cart items.

Set up the cart component

To create the cart view, follow the same steps you did to create the ProductDetailsComponent and configure routing for the new component.

1. Generate a new component named cart in the terminal by running the following command:

```
ng generate component cart
```

This command will generate the cart.component.ts file and its associated template and styles files.

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

import { Component } from '@angular/core';

@Component({
    selector: 'app-cart',
    templateUrl: './cart.component.html',
    styleUrls: ['./cart.component.css']
})
export class CartComponent {
```

2. Notice that the newly created CartComponent is added to the module's declarations in app.module.ts.

```
src/app/app.module.ts

import { CartComponent } from './cart/cart.component';

@NgModule({
    declarations: [
        AppComponent,
        TopBarComponent,
        ProductListComponent,
        ProductAlertsComponent,
        ProductDetailsComponent,
        CartComponent,
],
```

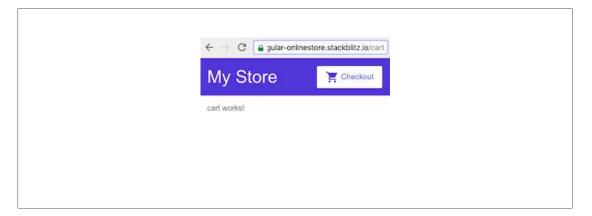
3. Still in app.module.ts, add a route for the component CartComponent, with a path of cart.

```
src/app/app.module.ts

@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
    ReactiveFormsModule,
    RouterModule.forRoot([
       { path: '', component: ProductListComponent },
       { path: 'products/:productId', component: ProductDetailsComponent },
       { path: 'cart', component: CartComponent },
       })
    ],
```

4. Update the Checkout button so that it routes to the cart URL. In top-bar.component.html, add a routerLink directive pointing to cart.

5. Verify the new CartComponent works as expected by clicking the Checkout button. You can see the "cart works!" default text, and the URL has the pattern https://getting-started.stackblitz.io/cart, where getting-started.stackblitz.io may be different for your StackBlitz project.



Display the cart items

This section shows you how to use the cart service to display the products in the cart.

1. In cart.component.ts, import the CartService from the cart.service.ts file.

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

import { Component } from '@angular/core';
import { CartService } from '../cart.service';
```

2. Inject the CartService so that the CartComponent can use it by adding it to the constructor().

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

export class CartComponent {

   constructor(
      private cartService: CartService
   ) { }
}
```

3. Define the items property to store the products in the cart.

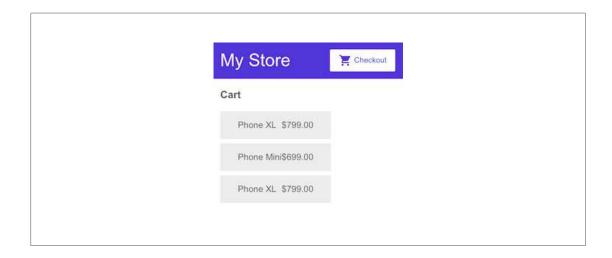
```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

export class CartComponent {
   items = this.cartService.getItems();
   constructor(
     private cartService: CartService
   ) { }
}
```

This code sets the items using the CartService getItems() method. You defined this method when you created cart.service.ts.

4. Update the cart template with a header, and use a <div> with an *ngFor to display each of the cart items with its name and price. The resulting CartComponent template is as follows.

- 5. Verify that your cart works as expected:
 - a. Click My Store.
 - b. Click on a product name to display its details.
 - c. Click Buy to add the product to the cart.
 - d. Click Checkout to see the cart.



For more information about services, see Introduction to Services and Dependency Injection.

Retrieve shipping prices

Servers often return data in the form of a stream. Streams are useful because they make it easy to transform the returned data and make modifications to the way you request that data. Angular HttpClient is a built-in way to fetch data from external APIs and provide them to your application as a stream.

This section shows you how to use | HttpClient | to retrieve shipping prices from an external file.

The application that StackBlitz generates for this guide comes with predefined shipping data in assets/shipping.json. Use this data to add shipping prices for items in the cart.

Configure AppModule to use HttpClient

To use Angular's httpClient, you must configure your application to use httpClientModule.

Angular's httpClientModule registers the providers your application needs to use the httpClient service throughout your application.

1. In app.module.ts, import HttpClientModule from the angular/common/http package at the top of the file with the other imports. As there are a number of other imports, this code snippet omits them for brevity. Be sure to leave the existing imports in place.

```
src/app/app.module.ts
import { HttpClientModule } from '@angular/common/http';
```

2. To register Angular's HttpClient providers globally, add HttpClientModule to the AppModule

@NgModule() imports array.

```
src/app/app.module.ts
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
    HttpClientModule,
    ReactiveFormsModule,
    RouterModule.forRoot([
      { path: '', component: ProductListComponent },
      { path: 'products/:productId', component: ProductDetailsComponent },
      { path: 'cart', component: CartComponent },
    ])
  1,
  declarations: [
    AppComponent,
    TopBarComponent,
    ProductListComponent,
    ProductAlertsComponent,
    ProductDetailsComponent,
    CartComponent,
  ],
  bootstrap: [
    AppComponent
  ]
})
export class AppModule { }
```

Configure CartService to use HttpClient

The next step is to inject the httpClient service into your service so your application can fetch data and interact with external APIs and resources.

1. In cart.service.ts, import HttpClient from the @angular/common/http package.

```
src/app/cart.service.ts

import { HttpClient } from '@angular/common/http';
import { Product } from './products';
import { Injectable } from '@angular/core';
```

2. Inject HttpClient into the CartService constructor().

```
src/app/cart.service.ts

@Injectable({
    providedIn: 'root'
})
export class CartService {
    items: Product[] = [];

    constructor(
        private http: HttpClient
    ) {}
    /* . . . */
}
```

Configure CartService to get shipping prices

To get shipping data, from shipping.json, You can use the HttpClient get() method.

1. In cart.service.ts, below the clearCart() method, define a new getShippingPrices() method that uses the HttpClient get() method.

```
src/app/cart.service.ts

@Injectable({
    providedIn: 'root'
})
    export class CartService {
    /* . . . */
        getShippingPrices() {
        return this.http.get<{type: string, price: number}[]>('/assets /shipping.json');
        }
    }
}
```

For more information about Angular's HttpClient, see the Client-Server Interaction guide.

Create a shipping component

Now that you've configured your application to retrieve shipping data, you can create a place to render that data.

1. Generate a cart component named shipping in the terminal by running the following command:

```
ng generate component shipping
```

This command will generate the shipping.component.ts file and it associated template and styles files.

```
src/app/shipping/shipping.component.ts

import { Component } from '@angular/core';

@Component({
    selector: 'app-shipping',
    templateUrl: './shipping.component.html',
    styleUrls: ['./shipping.component.css']
})
export class ShippingComponent {
}
```

2. In app.module.ts, add a route for shipping. Specify a path of shipping and a component of ShippingComponent.

```
src/app/app.module.ts
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
    HttpClientModule,
    ReactiveFormsModule,
     RouterModule.forRoot([
       { path: '', component: ProductListComponent },
       { path: 'products/:productId', component: ProductDetailsComponent },
       { path: 'cart', component: CartComponent },
       { path: 'shipping', component: ShippingComponent },
     ])
  ],
  declarations: [
    AppComponent,
    TopBarComponent,
    ProductListComponent,
    ProductAlertsComponent,
    ProductDetailsComponent,
    CartComponent,
    ShippingComponent
  1.
  bootstrap: [
     AppComponent
  ]
})
export class AppModule { }
```

There's no link to the new shipping component yet, but you can see its template in the preview pane by entering the URL its route specifies. The URL has the pattern: https://angular-ynqttp-4200.local.webcontainer.io/shipping where the angular-ynqttp--4200.local.webcontainer.io
part may be different for your StackBlitz project.

Configuring the ShippingComponent to use CartService

This section guides you through modifying the ShippingComponent to retrieve shipping data via HTTP from the shipping.json file.

1. In shipping.component.ts, import CartService.

```
src/app/shipping/shipping.component.ts

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

import { Observable } from 'rxjs';
import { CartService } from '../cart.service';
```

2. Inject the cart service in the ShippingComponent constructor().

```
src/app/shipping.component.ts

constructor(private cartService: CartService) { }
```

3. Define a shippingCosts property that sets the shippingCosts property using the getShippingPrices() method from the CartService. Initialize the shippingCosts property inside ngOnInit() method.

```
src/app/shipping/shipping.component.ts

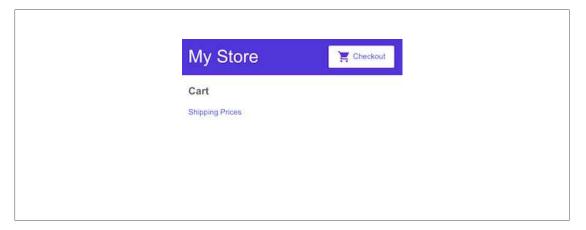
export class ShippingComponent implements OnInit {
    shippingCosts!: Observable<{ type: string, price: number }[]>;
    ngOnInit(): void {
        this.shippingCosts = this.cartService.getShippingPrices();
    }
}
```

4. Update the ShippingComponent template to display the shipping types and prices using the async pipe.

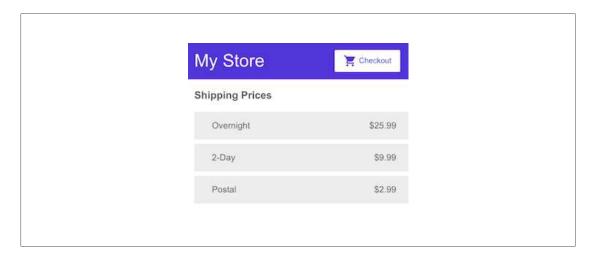
The async pipe returns the latest value from a stream of data and continues to do so for the life of a given component. When Angular destroys that component, the async pipe automatically stops. For detailed information about the async pipe, see the AsyncPipe API documentation.

5. Add a link from the | CartComponent | view to the | ShippingComponent | view.

6. Click the **Checkout** button to see the updated cart. Remember that changing the application causes the preview to refresh, which empties the cart.



Click on the link to navigate to the shipping prices.



What's next

You now have a store application with a product catalog, a shopping cart, and you can look up shipping prices.

To continue exploring Angular:

- Continue to Forms for User Input to finish the application by adding the shopping cart view and a checkout form
- Skip ahead to Deployment to move to local development, or deploy your application to Firebase or your own server

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Using forms for user input

This guide builds on the Managing Data step of the Getting Started tutorial, Get started with a basic Angular app.

This section walks you through adding a form-based checkout feature to collect user information as part of checkout.

Define the checkout form model

This step shows you how to set up the checkout form model in the component class. The form model determines the status of the form.

- 1. Open cart.component.ts.
- 2. Import the FormBuilder service from the eangular/forms package. This service provides convenient methods for generating controls.

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

import { Component } from '@angular/core';
import { FormBuilder } from '@angular/forms';

import { CartService } from '../cart.service';
```

3. Inject the FormBuilder service in the CartComponent constructor(). This service is part of the ReactiveFormsModule module, which you've already imported.

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

export class CartComponent {
    constructor(
        private cartService: CartService,
        private formBuilder: FormBuilder,
    ) {}
}
```

4. To gather the user's name and address, use the FormBuilder group() method to set the checkoutForm property to a form model containing name and address fields.

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts

export class CartComponent {
   items = this.cartService.getItems();
   checkoutForm = this.formBuilder.group({
      name: '',
      address: ''
   });

constructor(
   private cartService: CartService,
   private formBuilder: FormBuilder,
   ) {}
}
```

5. Define an onSubmit() method to process the form. This method allows users to submit their name and address. In addition, this method uses the clearCart() method of the CartService to reset the form and clear the cart.

The entire cart component class is as follows:

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.ts
import { Component } from '@angular/core';
import { FormBuilder } from '@angular/forms';
import { CartService } from '../cart.service';
@Component({
  selector: 'app-cart',
  templateUrl: './cart.component.html',
  styleUrls: ['./cart.component.css']
export class CartComponent {
  items = this.cartService.getItems();
  checkoutForm = this.formBuilder.group({
    name: '',
    address: ''
  });
  constructor(
    private cartService: CartService,
    private formBuilder: FormBuilder,
  ) {}
  onSubmit(): void {
    // Process checkout data here
    this.items = this.cartService.clearCart();
    console.warn('Your order has been submitted', this.checkoutForm.value);
    this.checkoutForm.reset();
  }
}
```

Create the checkout form

Use the following steps to add a checkout form at the bottom of the Cart view.

- 1. At the bottom of cart.component.html, add an HTML <form> element and a Purchase button.
- 2. Use a formGroup property binding to bind checkoutForm to the HTML <form>.

3. On the form tag, use an ngSubmit event binding to listen for the form submission and call the onSubmit() method with the checkoutForm value.

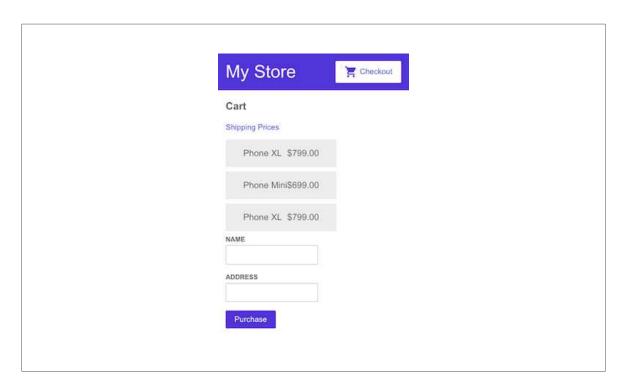
```
src/app/cart/cart.component.html (cart component template detail)

<form [formGroup]="checkoutForm" (ngSubmit)="onSubmit()">
    </form>
```

4. Add <input> fields for name and address, each with a formControlName attribute that binds to the checkoutForm form controls for name and address to their <input> fields. The complete component is as follows:

```
src/app/cart/cart.component.html
<h3>Cart</h3>
  <a routerLink="/shipping">Shipping Prices</a>
<div class="cart-item" *ngFor="let item of items">
  <span>{{ item.name }} </span>
  <span>{{ item.price | currency }}</span>
</div>
<form [formGroup]="checkoutForm" (ngSubmit)="onSubmit()">
  <div>
    <label for="name">
      Name
    </label>
    <input id="name" type="text" formControlName="name">
  </div>
  <div>
    <label for="address">
      Address
    <input id="address" type="text" formControlName="address">
  </div>
  <button class="button" type="submit">Purchase</button>
</form>
```

After putting a few items in the cart, users can review their items, enter their name and address, and submit their purchase.



To confirm submission, open the console to see an object containing the name and address you submitted.

What's next

You have a complete online store application with a product catalog, a shopping cart, and a checkout function.

Continue to the "Deployment" section to move to local development, or deploy your app to Firebase or your own server.

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Deploying an application

Deploying your application is the process of compiling, or building, your code and hosting the JavaScript, CSS, and HTML on a web server.

This section builds on the previous steps in the Getting Started tutorial and shows you how to deploy your application.

Prerequisites

A best practice is to run your project locally before you deploy it. To run your project locally, you need the following installed on your computer:

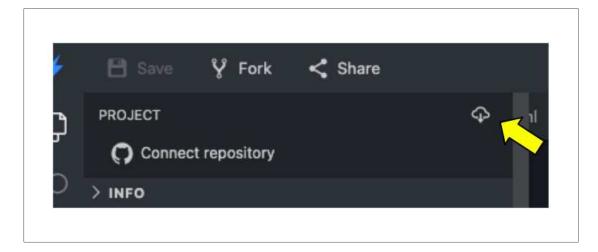
- Node.js ☑.
- The Angular CLI 🗹. From the terminal, install the Angular CLI globally with:

```
npm install -g @angular/cli
```

With the Angular CLI, you can use the command ng to create new workspaces, new projects, serve your application during development, or produce builds to share or distribute.

Running your application locally

1. Download the source code from your StackBlitz project by clicking the Download Project icon in the left menu, across from Project, to download your project as a zip archive.



2. Unzip the archive and change directory to the newly created project. For example:

```
cd angular-ynqttp
```

3. To download and install npm packages, use the following npm CLI command:

```
npm install
```

4. Use the following CLI command to run your application locally:

```
ng serve
```

5. To see your application in the browser, go to http://localhost:4200/. If the default port 4200 is not available, you can specify another port with the port flag as in the following example:

```
ng serve --port 4201
```

While serving your application, you can edit your code and see the changes update automatically in the browser. To stop the res ctrl+c.

Building and hosting your application

1. To build your application for production, use the build command. By default, this command uses the production build configuration.

```
ng build
```

This command creates a dist folder in the application root directory with all the files that a hosting service needs for serving your application.

If the above ng build command throws an error about missing packages, append the missing dependencies in your local project's package.json file to match the one in the downloaded StackBlitz project.

2. Copy the contents of the dist/my-project-name folder to your web server. Because these files are static, you can host them on any web server capable of serving files; such as Node.js, Java, .NET, or any backend such as Firebase , Google Cloud , or App Engine . For more information, see Building & Serving and Deployment.

What's next

In this tutorial, you've laid the foundation to explore the Angular world in areas such as mobile development, UX/UI development, and server-side rendering. You can go deeper by studying more of Angular's features, engaging with the vibrant community, and exploring the robust ecosystem.

Learning more Angular

For a more in-depth tutorial that leads you through building an application locally and exploring many of Angular's most popular features, see Tour of Heroes.

To explore Angular's foundational concepts, see the guides in the Understanding Angular section such as Angular Components Overview or Template syntax.

Joining the community

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Keep current by following the Angular blog \square .

Exploring the Angular ecosystem

To support your UX/UI development, see Angular Material $\[\Box \]$.

The Angular community also has an extensive network of third-party tools and libraries.