

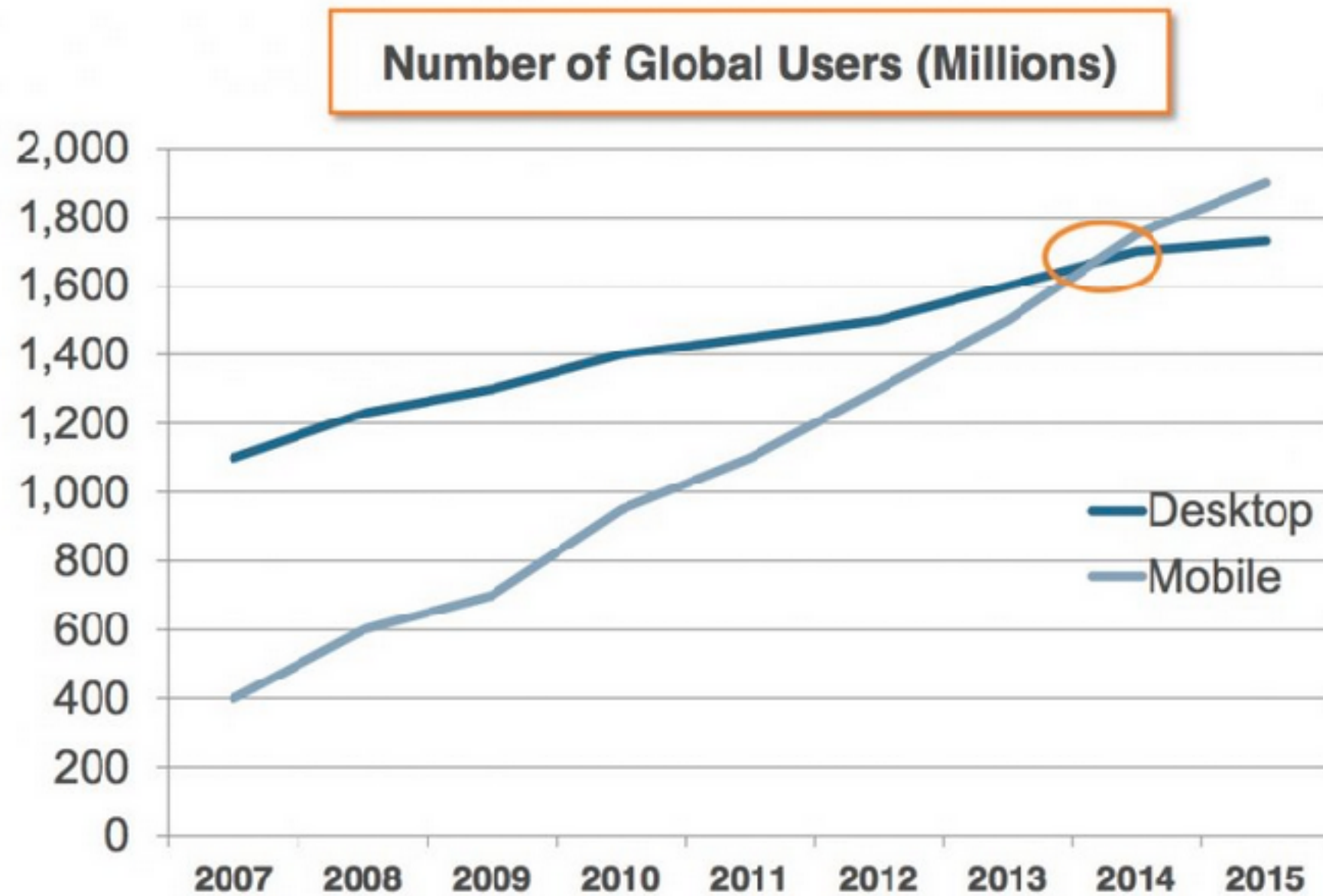
Mobile App Development with Ionic

CS498RK, Fall 2016

Mobile App Development Landscape

Using Ionic to build Hybrid Apps

Internet Usage



Mobile Development Landscape



Responsive
Webpages



Native
Apps

Mobile Development Landscape



Responsive
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Native
Apps

Limited access to device APIs

Misses out on benefits of distribution
through app stores

Performance Penalty

Complexity of developing for
multiple platforms

Alternatives



Xamarin

C# based framework for building fully native, cross platform apps

Generates multi-platform native code

Ionic

Series of performance-focused, beautifully designed HTML, CSS and JavaScript components optimized for building mobile applications

Resulting apps are hybrid: neither purely web-based nor truly native

- Layout rendering is done via Web views

- Access to native device APIs

- Distribution similar to native apps possible

Technologies Used



APACHE
CORDOVA™



Examples of Ionic Apps

Routing in Ionic

Does not use `ngRoute`

Uses `ui-router` which is better suited for complex apps

ui-router



Nested Views



Multiple Views

Router as State Machine

State Machine design abstraction on top of traditional router

Routes are referred to as states and URLs are properties of states

ui-sref directive instead of links in your HTML

Router as State Machine

```
var app = angular.module('demo', ['ui.router']);

app.config(['$stateProvider', '$urlRouterProvider', function($stateProvider, $urlRouterProvider) {
    $urlRouterProvider.otherwise('/');

    $stateProvider
        .state('home', {
            url: '/',
            templateUrl: 'templates/home.html',
            controller: 'HomeController'
        })
        .state('about', {
            url: '/about',
            templateUrl: 'templates/about.html',
            controller: 'AboutController'
        })
});
```

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<a ui-sref="home">Home</a>
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Persisting Data

Local Storage:

angular-local-storage

[TODO App](#)

[Another Todo App](#)

ngStorage [Example](#)

Consuming APIs

Mobile Backend As a Service

[Firebase](#)

Next Class: Performance, Accessibility, Security

Web Components

...

Reuse, reduce, recycle

What's Web Components?

Component-based software engineering

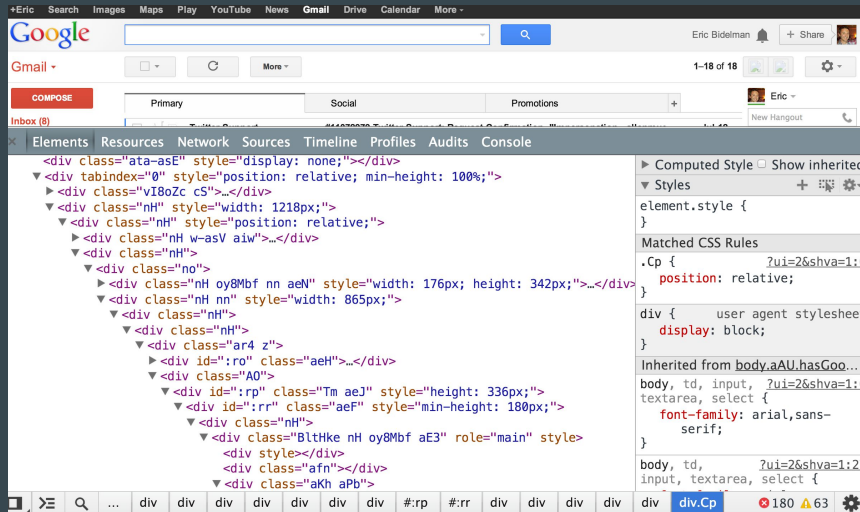
Four features:

- Custom Elements
- Shadow DOM
- HTML Imports
- HTML Templates



Custom Elements

<div> soup



Art

```
<hangout-module>
  <hangout-chat from="Paul, Addy">
    <hangout-discussion>
      <hangout-message from="Paul" profile="profile"
        profile="118075919496626375791" datetime="2015-07-20T15:00:00.000Z">
        <p>Feelin' this Web Components thing.</p>
        <p>Heard of it?</p>
      </hangout-message>
    </hangout-discussion>
  </hangout-chat>
</hangout-module>
```

Custom Elements

Basic Declaration

```
var XFoo = document.registerElement('x-foo');  
  
// OR  
  
var XFoo = document.registerElement('x-foo', {  
  prototype: Object.create(HTMLElement.prototype)  
});
```

Custom Elements

Lifecycle methods

Callback name	Called when
createdCallback	an instance of the element is created
attachedCallback	an instance was inserted into the document
detachedCallback	an instance was removed from the document
attributeChangedCallback(attrName, oldVal, newVal)	an attribute was added, removed, or updated

Custom Elements

```
var XFooPrototype = Object.create(HTMLElement.prototype);

XFooProto.createdCallback = function() {
  this.innerHTML = "  <x-foo></x-foo>  ";
};

var XFoo = document.registerElement('x-foo', {
  prototype: XFooPrototype
});
```

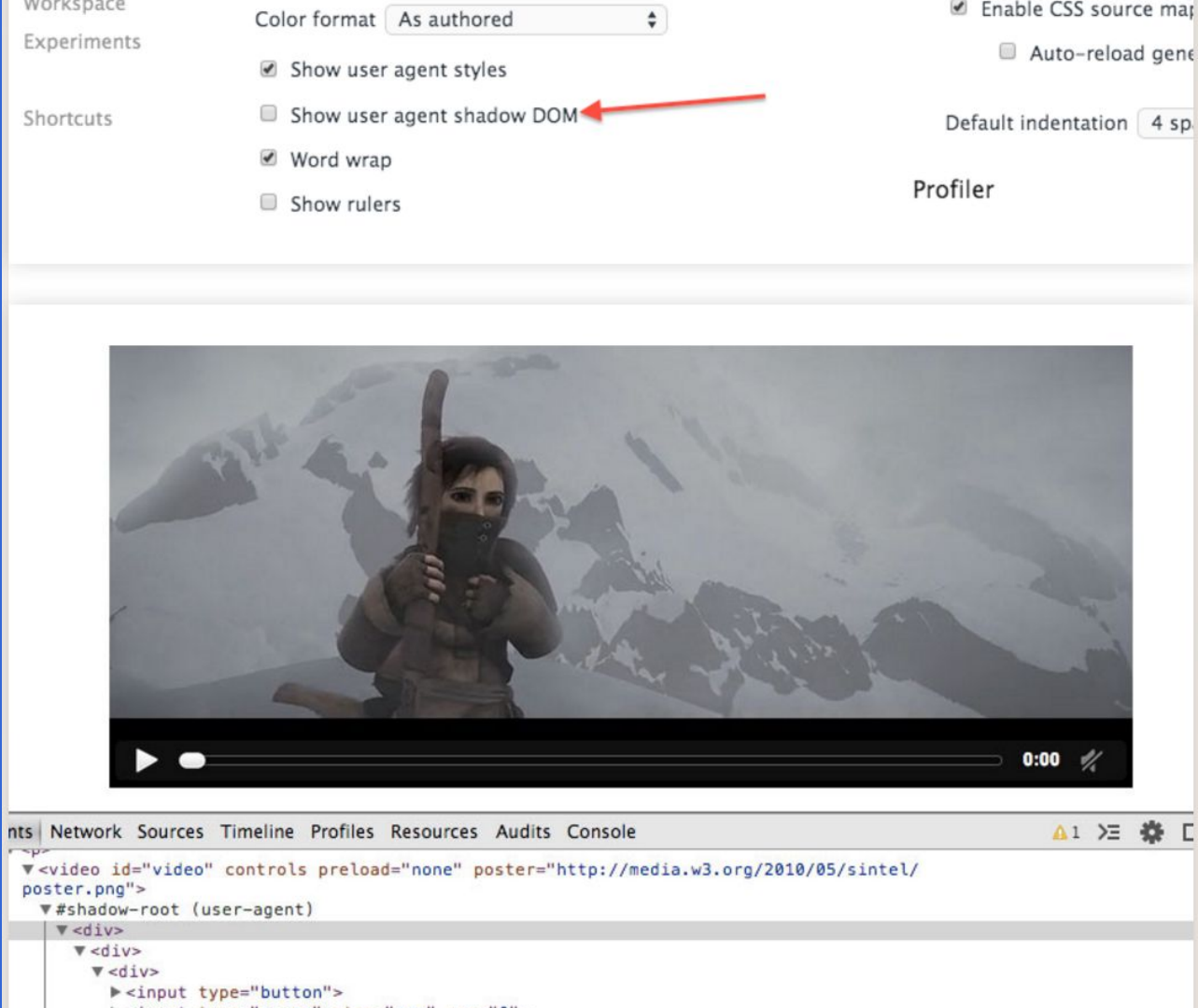
<x-foo></x-foo>

Shadow DOM

“Hidden in the shadows”

HTML, CSS, JS hidden away

For example, the `<video>` tag



HTML Templates & Imports

























```
<template>  
  <h1>Hello there!</h1>  
  <p>This content is top secret :)</p>  
</template>
```

```
<link rel="import" href="import-file.html">
```



Tying it all together

Browser Support

BROWSER SUPPORT					
	CHROME	OPERA	FIREFOX	SAFARI	IE/EDGE
					
					
					
					

POLYFILLS

The webcomponent.js polyfills enable Web Components in (evergreen) browsers that lack native support.

Install with **Bower**

```
bower install webcomponentsjs
```

Install with **npm**

```
npm install webcomponents.js
```

Download webcomponents.js

0.7.12 (117KB minified, 34KB gzipped)

[learn more about the polyfills](#)

Polyfills

<http://webcomponents.org/>

Google Polymer



#UseThePlatform to build a better web

The Polymer Project helps you deliver amazing user experiences by unlocking the full potential of the web platform.

Use the [Polymer library](#) to make the most of Web Components, a powerful new platform feature for extending HTML and componentizing your apps.

Use the [Polymer App Toolbox](#) to build cutting-edge Progressive Web Apps that load quickly, respond instantly and work from anywhere.

[GET STARTED](#)

[TRY THE SHOP DEMO](#)

[ABOUT THE PROJECT](#)

<https://www.polymer-project.org/1.0/>

Google Polymer

```
<script>
  Polymer({
    /* this is the element's prototype */
    is: 'icon-toggle'
  });
</script>
```

Open Source

Polymer Catalog

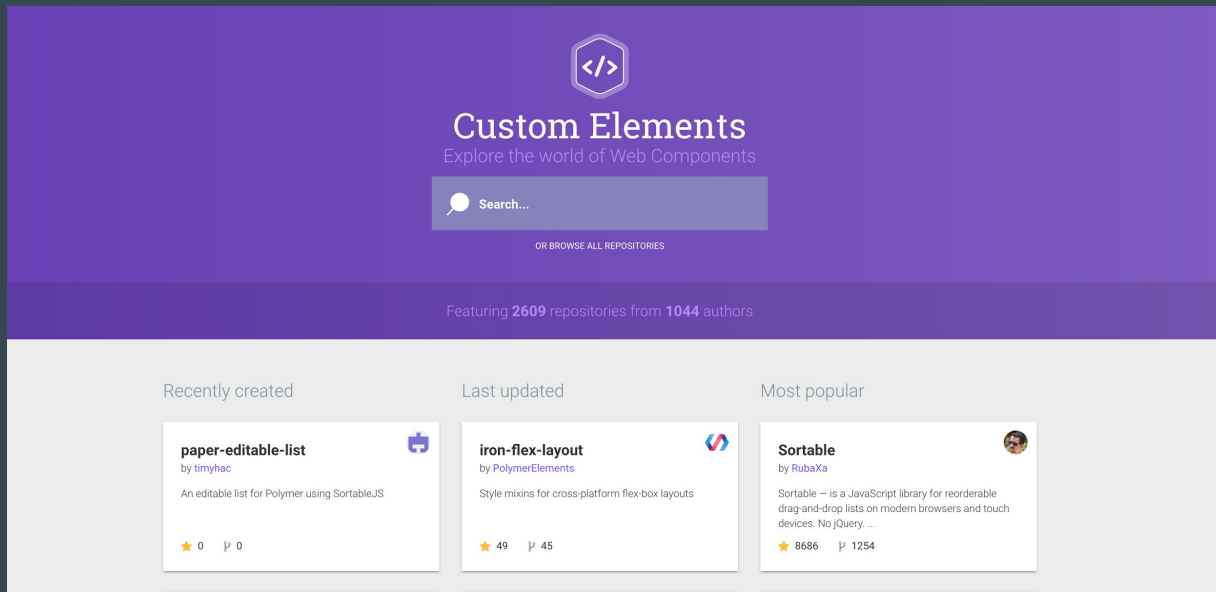
Try the new beta.webcomponents.org [Opt-in](#)

App App Elements App elements 0.10.1	Fe Iron Elements Polymer core elements 1.0.10	Md Paper Elements Material design elements 1.0.7	Go Google Web Components Components for Google's APIs and services 1.1.1
Au Gold Elements Ecommerce Elements 1.0.1	Ne Neon Elements Animation and Special Effects 1.0.0	Pt Platinum Elements Offline, push, and more 2.0.0	Mo Molecules Wrappers for third-party libraries 1.0.0

Element Guides

Flexbox layout with iron-flex-layout Simple flexbox layout	Responsive Material Design layouts How to create responsive Material Design layouts with Paper and Iron elements.
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Open Source



<https://customelements.io/>

ECMAScript 2015 (ES6)

...

The future!

What is ES6?

New Javascript features!

ECMAScript 6

A bright new future is coming...

```
var odds = evens.map(function(v) {  
    return v + 1;  
});
```

```
var odds = evens.map(v => v + 1);
```

```
function Person() {  
    this.name = "Sujay";  
    this.getName = function() {  
        return this.name;  
    };  
    this.setName = function (n){  
        this.name = n;  
    };  
}
```

```
class Person {  
    constructor() {  
        this._name = "Sujay";  
    }  
  
    get name() {  
        return this._name;  
    }  
  
    set name( n ) {  
        this._name = n;  
    }  
}
```

```
var name = "Bob", time = "today";  
'Hello' + name + ', how are you' + time + '?';
```

```
var name = "Bob", time = "today";  
'Hello ${name}, how are you ${time}?'
```

```
function f() {  
  {  
    let x;  
    {  
      // okay, block scoped name  
      const x = "sneaky";  
      // error, const  
      x = "foo";  
    }  
    // error, already declared in block  
    let x = "inner";  
  }  
}
```

Problems?

Compatibility

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Transpiling



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Babel is a JavaScript compiler.


Use next generation JavaScript, today.

Setup

Try it Out

Babel 6.16.0 (Happy Birthday Babel)

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TypeScript

JavaScript that scales



What's good about JavaScript?

- Easy to prototype
- Hybrid imperative/functional language
- First-class functions
- Natural fit for real-time, event-driven applications
- Great open source community

What's bad about JavaScript?

✖ ▼ Uncaught ReferenceError: foo is not defined(...)
(anonymous function) @ [VM1399:1](#)

✖ ▼ Uncaught TypeError: bar is not a function(...)
(anonymous function) @ [VM1418:1](#)

(well, one thing that's bad
anyway...)

Enter TypeScript

- Static typing is actually **a super good thing**
 - Let the compiler do as much of the debugging work for you as possible.
 - You're probably thinking of types in your head already anyway.
- **TypeScript** - a superset of JavaScript with a static type system
 - Developed by Microsoft in 2012, now at version 2.1
 - All your JavaScript code is technically TypeScript code too.
 - Transpiles to JavaScript and does awesome typechecking stuff.

Getting Started

1. `npm install -g typescript`
2. `tsc -w <file.ts>`
3. (optional) find a TypeScript plugin for your favorite editor

What is a valid input for sortByName?

```
1 function sortByName(a) {  
2   var result = a.slice(0);  
3   result.sort(function (x, y) {  
4     return x.name.localeCompare(y.name);  
5   });  
6   return result;  
7 }  
8  
9 sortByName( ___ );  
10
```

The same thing in TypeScript

```
1 interface Person {  
2   name: string;  
3   age: number;  
4 }  
5  
6 function sortByName(a: Person[]): Person[] {  
7   var result = a.slice(0);  
8   result.sort(function (x, y) {  
9     return x.name.localeCompare(y.name);  
10  });  
11  return result;  
12 }  
13  
14 sortByName( ___ );  
15
```

Now do you know what a valid input is?

It also works with ES6 out of the box.

```
1 class Student {
2   fullName: string;
3   constructor(public firstName, public middleInitial, public lastName) {
4     this.fullName = firstName + " " + middleInitial + " " + lastName;
5   }
6 }
7
8 interface Person {
9   firstName: string;
10  lastName: string;
11 }
12
13 function greeter(person : Person) {
14   return "Hello, " + person.firstName + " " + person.lastName;
15 }
16
17 var user = new Student("Jane", "M.", "User");
18
19 console.log(user);
```

Type Annotations

— — —

Basic Types

- `let x: number = 6;`
- `let color: string = "blue";`
- `let list: number[] = [1, 2, 3];`

Tuples

- `let x: [string, number] = ["hello", 10];`

Enums

- `enum Color = {Red, Green, Blue};`
`let c: Color = Color.Green;`

Interfaces

- `interface myType = {`
 `width: number;`
 `color?: string;`
 `readonly x: number;`
 `}`
- `interface SearchFunc = {`
 `(source: string, subString:`
 `string): boolean;`
 `}`

Declarations

— — —

- Let TypeScript generate a declaration file with the flag `--declaration`
- Like a C++ header file!

```
declare class Student {  
    firstName: any;  
    middleInitial: any;  
    lastName: any;  
    fullName: string;  
    constructor(firstName: any,  
middleInitial: any, lastName: any);  
}  
interface Person {  
    firstName: string;  
    lastName: string;  
}  
declare function greeter(person:  
    Person): string;
```

Configuration

— — —

Add a `tsconfig.json` file to the top-level directory of your project.

Then just run **tsc** to build.

```
{
  "compilerOptions": {
    "outFile": "public/js/script.js",
    "watch": true
  },
  "files": {
    "source_js/*"
  }
}
```

New in TypeScript 2.0

— — —

- `--strictNullChecks`

`null` and `undefined` values are completely disallowed, unless you specifically define the type to say it's okay

“I call it my billion-dollar mistake... My goal was to ensure that all use of references should be absolutely safe, with checking performed automatically by the compiler. But **I couldn't resist the temptation to put in a null reference, simply because it was so easy to implement.** This has led to innumerable errors, vulnerabilities, and system crashes, which have probably caused a billion dollars of pain and damage in the last forty years.”

Tony Hoare, inventor of ALGOL W

Angular 2.0



So what, it's just more Angular, right?

— — —

- It's actually **“drastically different”** from Angular 1.x
- Announced in Oct. 2014, released in Sept. 2016
- **Not backwards compatible** with Angular 1.x. At all.
 - (web devs did not much care for this bit...)
- Core goals:
 - Focus on encapsulated Web Components
 - More elegant API with less feature creep
 - Improve performance across all kinds of devices



bugcats · 2 years ago

Let this mark the day that I decided to get the hell out of web dev.

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What's Different?

- Improved performance
- Uses TypeScript
- New Component system
- Better dependency injection
- No more \$scope or controllers
- Simpler routing

Getting Started

```
git clone https://github.com/angular/quickstart.git quickstart
```

```
cd quickstart
```

```
npm install
```

```
npm start
```

Demo