
Lifecycle Hooks & Routing

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View Queries

- Angular provides the decorators `@ViewChild`, `@ViewChildren`, `@ContentChild`, `@ContentChildren` to get element references
- `ViewChild` can be used to capture elements in the component template
- `ContentChild` can be used to capture elements present in the opening and closing tags of a component
- Angular allows us to create template references by adding a local variable `#name` to the HTML element
- Template references can be used with `ViewChild` and `ContentChild` in order to get the element reference (`ElementRef`) in component
- We can access and modify the native element properties through the element reference provided by `ViewChild` or `ContentChild`

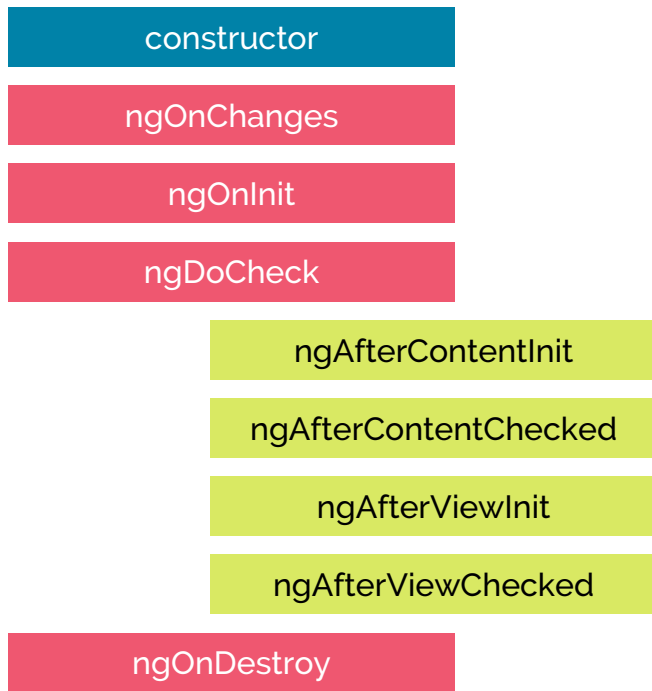
Content Projection

- Content Projection is the rendering of html specified within the component tags, inside the component html
- This is achieved by adding the tags "`<ng-content> </ng-content>`" within the component html
- The `<ng-content>` tags get replaced by the html enclosed within the component tags
- We can project a particular element using the select property as:
`<ng-content select="elmName.class"> </ng-content>`
- We can apply styles to the projected content using the syntax:
:(colon)host ::(double colon)ng-deep elmName
- The projected content can be accessed through the component using `@contentChild()`

View Encapsulation

- View Encapsulation, in simple terms is the ability to create a closure around a view or component DOM.
- This enables us to emulate a shadow DOM and scoped styles
- Angular by default adds `[_ngcontent-*)` and `[_ngghost-*)` attributes to the template and styles, making them unique selectors with scoped styles
- View encapsulation takes the properties:
 - **ViewEncapsulation.None**: No Shadow DOM at all
 - **ViewEncapsulation.Emulated**: No Shadow DOM but emulated style encapsulation
 - **ViewEncapsulation.Native**: Native Shadow DOM
- If encapsulation is set to None, the styles are applied to all elements in the document

Component Lifecycle Hooks



Lifecycle Hooks Continued

- **constructor**: When Angular creates a component or directive by calling new on the class.
- **ngOnChanges**: Every time there is a change in one of the input properties of the component.
- **ngOnInit**: When given component has been initialized. Only called once after the first ngOnChanges.
- **ngDoCheck**: When the change detector of the given component is invoked. Allows us to implement our own change detection algorithm for the given component.
- **ngOnDestroy**: Just before Angular destroys the component. Use this hook to unsubscribe observables and detach event handlers to avoid memory leaks.
- **ngAfterContentInit**: After Angular performs any content projection into the components view
- **ngAfterContentChecked**: Each time the content of the given component has been checked by the change detection mechanism of Angular.
- **ngAfterViewInit**: When the component's view has been fully initialized.
- **ngAfterViewChecked**: Each time the view of the given component has been checked by the change detection mechanism of Angular.

Routing - The Basics

- In Single Page Applications(SPAs), when there's a need for some new content, the whole page never changes. Only the content on that particular page changes. This gives the App a more Desktop Application like feeling.



- SPAs are faster as compared to normal Web Apps for the same reason.
- Routing is an Important Part of this behavior that SPAs exhibit.

Routing - How To?

1. Create a separate module for routing.
2. Import `RouterModule`, `Routes` in your `AppRoutingModule`.

`import { Routes, RouterModule } from '@angular/router';`

3. Create a Routes Config.

```
const appRoutes: Routes = [  
  { path: 'home', component: HomeComponent },  
  { path: 'user-list', component: UserListComponent },  
  { path: 'parent', component: ParentComponent },  
  { path: '', redirectTo: '/home', pathMatch: 'full' }  
];
```

4. Call `RouterModule.forRoot()` and give it the Routes config that you just created.
5. Export this Module into your RootModule.

```
@NgModule({  
  imports: [ RouterModule.forRoot(appRoutes) ],  
  exports: [ RouterModule ]  
})
```

6. Place a `<router-outlet></router-outlet>` tag in your template where you want to perform it.
7. Place links that will take your user to those routes and use `routerLink` attribute to give them links.

Child Routes & Params

1. Add a children property to a route, the value of it would be an array of routes.
2. Each child route in the children will again contain a path property and a component property.

```
{ path: 'users', component: UsersComponent, children: [  
  { path: '', component: NotFoundComponent },  
  { path: ':id', component: UserDetailsComponent }  
] },
```

3. If you want to show the component content in some content that's already present in `<router-outlet>`, you'll have to add another router outlet in its parent's template.
4. You can configure a route to take params as well. Do that by supplying a **colon(:)** in front of the param name.
5. You can get the value of the current route params or route query params using **ActivatedRoute** as a dependency.
6. **ActivatedRoute** exposes a **params** Observable you can subscribe to, to get the params on the current route.
7. **ActivatedRoute** also exposes a **queryParams** Observable you can subscribe to, to get the query params on the current route.

```
this.activatedRoute.queryParams.subscribe((queryParams) => {  
  console.log('got the params query params as : ', queryParams);  
});
```

Types of Route Paths

1. **Absolute Path:** Has '/' in the front. Takes you to `hostname:port/name-of-the-supplied-path`.
2. **Relative Path:** Has './' or nothing in front. Takes you to the current route followed by the route name provided. Eg: `hostname:port/path-on/path-provided`.
3. **Parent Path:** Has '../' in front. Takes you one level up in the route structure. Eg, if you're on `hostname:port/level1/level2`, it will take you to `hostname:port/level1`.

"If Westeros has the Wall, Angular routes have Guards"

Sworn Brothers of the Night's Watch



ROUTE GUARDS BE LIKE:



YOU SHALL NOT PASS!!

Guards

- Guards are a way of performing checks before we start navigating to or from different routes in our application
- They allow us to restrict access to certain routes in our application to certain users
- They allow us to validate/confirm before navigating out of routes
- Guards themselves are simple classes, which can have dependencies injected into them
- Guard functions return booleans, or Observables and Promises which resolve booleans
- Navigation is carried out if boolean returned is true, else it is prevented
- A single route can have multiple guards, and they are checked in the order of injection

Types of Guards

- **CanActivate**: Checks to see if a user can visit a route
- **CanActivateChild**: Checks to see if a user can visit a routes children
- **CanDeactivate**: Checks to see if a user can exit a route
- **CanLoad**: Checks to see if lazy-loaded modules should be loaded
- **Resolve**: Performs route data retrieval before route activation

Guard Processing

canDeactivate



```
graph TD; A[canDeactivate] --> B[canLoad]; B --> C[canActivateChild]; C --> D[canActivate]; D --> E[resolve]
```

canLoad

canActivateChild

canActivate

resolve

CanActivate/CanActivateChild

- CanActivate checks to see if a user can visit a route
- CanActivateChild checks to see if a user can visit a routes children
- Class which implements CanActivate/CanActivateChild interface from @angular/router
- Accepts the arguments:
 - **route**: ActivatedRouteSnapshot - Future route. Contains params
 - **state**: RouterStateSnapshot - Future RouterState. Contains URL
- Needs to be registered on the providers array of module
- Added to the canActivate/canActivateChild Array of route
- Most commonly used to check if user is logged in or has sufficient previledges

CanDeactivate

- CanDeactivate checks to see if a user can exit a route
- Class which implements CanDeactivate interface from @angular/router
- Accepts the arguments:
 - **component**: Component - The current component
 - **route**: ActivatedRouteSnapshot - Future route. Contains params
 - **state**: RouterStateSnapshot - Future RouterState. Contains URL
- Needs to be registered on the providers array of module
- Added to the **canDeactivate** Array of route
- Most commonly used to check if user is navigating out of a route without saving some changes

Resolve

- Resolve performs route data retrieval before route activation
- Class which implements Resolve interface from @angular/router
- Accepts the arguments:
 - **route**: ActivatedRouteSnapshot - Future route. Contains params
 - **state**: RouterStateSnapshot - Future RouterState. Contains URL
- Needs to be registered on the providers array of module
- Added to the resolve Object of route with a data key
- Accessed in component as **route.snapshot.data['key']**
- Used to load necessary data before loading a route, often to set flags or prevent undefined/nulls

A close-up portrait of Walter White, a middle-aged man with a goatee and glasses, looking directly at the camera with a serious expression. He is wearing a dark jacket over a green and white striped shirt. The background is a vast, arid desert landscape under a cloudy sky, with a fence line visible in the distance.

~~“Say My Name!”~~

“Any Questions?”

WALTER WHITE