

Factories and Services



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Factory and Service Overview

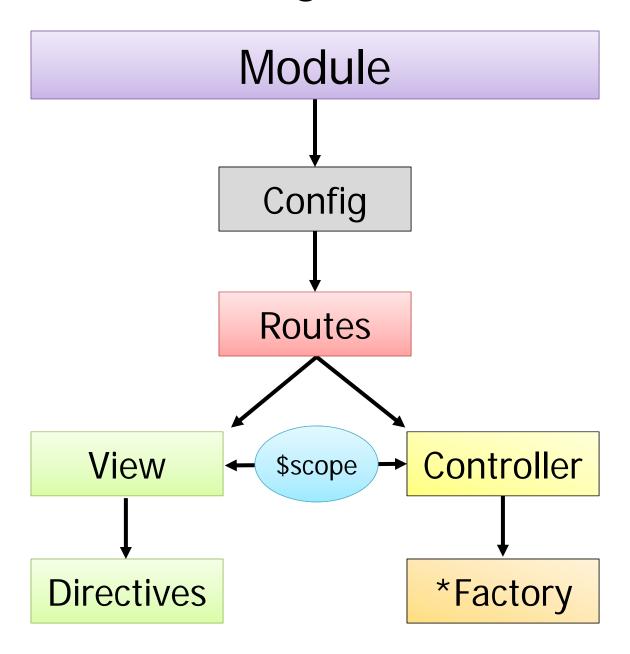
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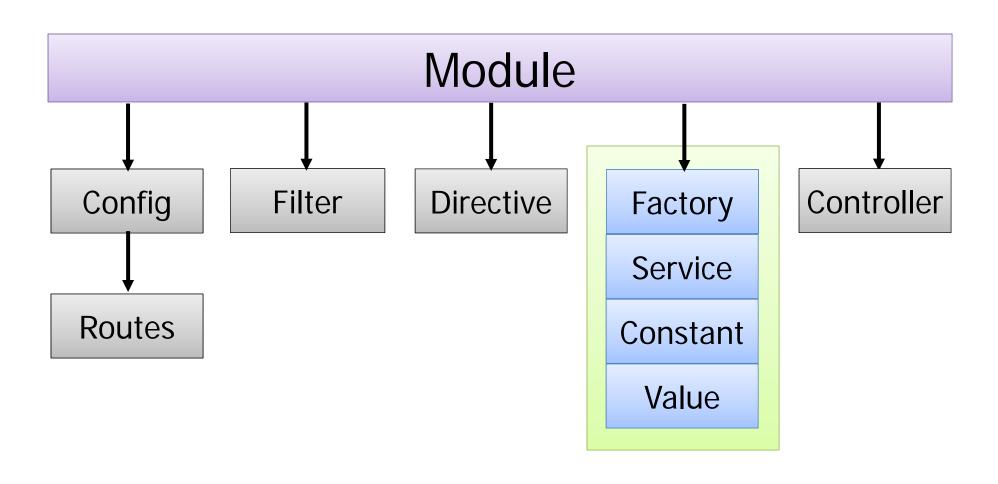


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Factories and Services

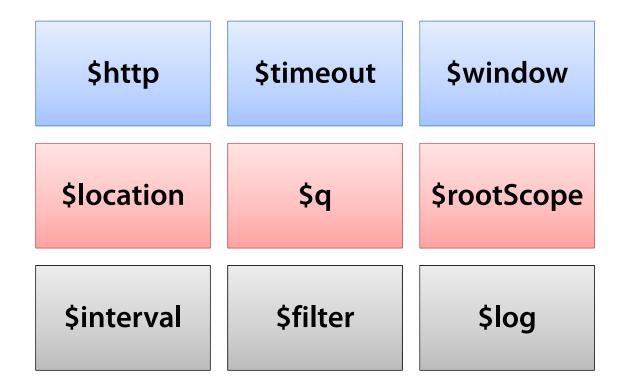
- AngularJS supports the concept of factories and services
- Includes several built-in factories/services
- Singletons that perform re-useable tasks:
 - Ajax calls
 - Business rules
 - Calculations
 - Share data between controllers

Creating Factories, Services and More



Built-in AngularJS Services

AngularJS provides many built-in services:



Creating a Factory

What is a Factory?

- Create a custom factory when you need to:
 - Define re-useable tasks
 - Share code or state between controllers

Factories:

- Create and return a custom object
- Created using the module.factory() function
- Can be injected into other components
- Can have dependencies



Creating a Factory

```
(function () {
    var customersFactory = function () {
        var customers = [...];
        var factory = {};
        factory.getCustomers = function () {
            return customers;
        };
                                Return custom object
        return factory;
    };
    angular.module('customersApp')
      .factory('customersFactory', customersFactory);
                Add factory to module
}());
```

Alternate Syntax

```
(function () {
    var customersFactory = function () {
        var customers = [...];
                        Return object literal
        return {
            getCustomers: function () {
                 return customers;
        };
    };
    angular.module('customersApp')
      .factory('customersFactory', customersFactory);
}());
```

Injecting a Factory

Inject factory

```
var CustomersController = function ($scope, customersFactory)
{
    function init() {
        $scope.customers = customersFactory.getCustomers();
    }
};
CustomersController.$inject = ['$scope', 'customersFactory'];
angular.module('customersApp')
    .controller('CustomersController', CustomersController);
```

Creating a Service

What is a Service?

Similar to a factory as far as functionality

Services:

- Service function represents the returned object as opposed to a custom object like in a factory
- Created using the module.service() function
- Can be injected into other components
- Can have dependencies



Creating a Service

```
Function represents the
                                          returned object
 (function () {
      var customersService = function () {
          var customers = [ ... ];
Relies on
 "this"
          this.getCustomers = function () {
               return customers;
          };
      };
      angular.module('customersApp')
        .service('customersService', customersService);
                 Add service to module
 }());
```

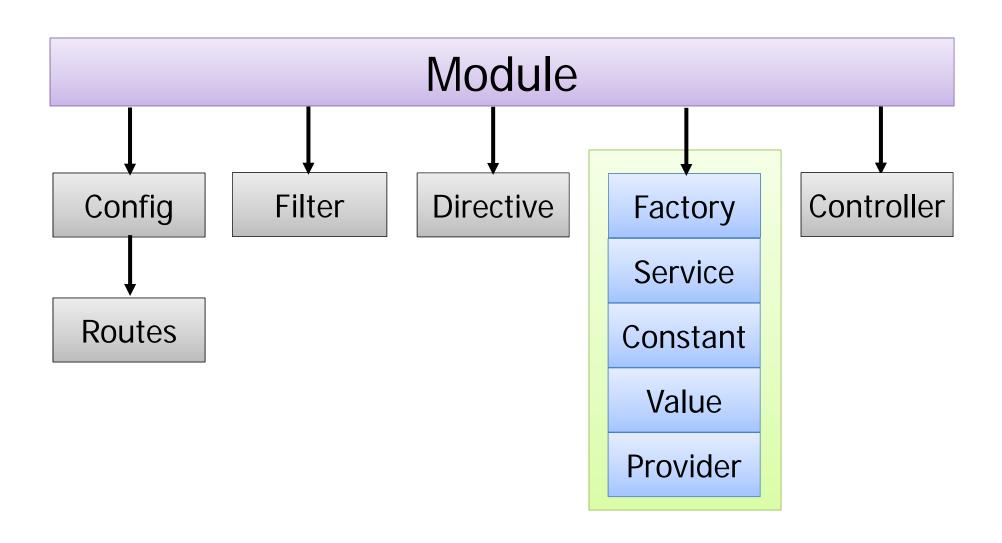
Injecting a Service

Inject service

```
var CustomersController = function ($scope, customersService) {
    function init() {
        $scope.customers = customersService.getCustomers();
    }
};
CustomersController.$inject = ['$scope', 'customersService'];
angular.module('customersApp')
    .controller('CustomersController', CustomersController);
```

Defining Application Values

Beyond Factories and Services



Value and Constant

• An value can be created using module.value(key,value):

A constant can be created using module.constant(key,value)

```
angular.module('customersApp').constant('version', '1.0');

Can be injected into config()
```

Making Ajax Calls from a Factory/Service

AngularJS and Ajax

AngularJS services can be used to make Ajax calls

\$http

\$resource

The \$http Service

- The \$http service provides Ajax functionality
- Uses the browser's XmlHttpRequest object
- Makes asynchronous requests
- Supports multiple HTTP verbs:

 - \$http.post
- \$http.head\$http.put\$http.get\$http.delete
 - \$http.jsonp



Using the \$http Service

```
(function () {
                                              Service injected
    var customersFactory = function ($http) {
        var factory = {};
        factory.getCustomers = function () {
            return $http.get('api/customers');
        };
        return factory;
                               Make async call
    };
    angular.module('customersApp')
      .factory('customersFactory', customersFactory);
}());
```

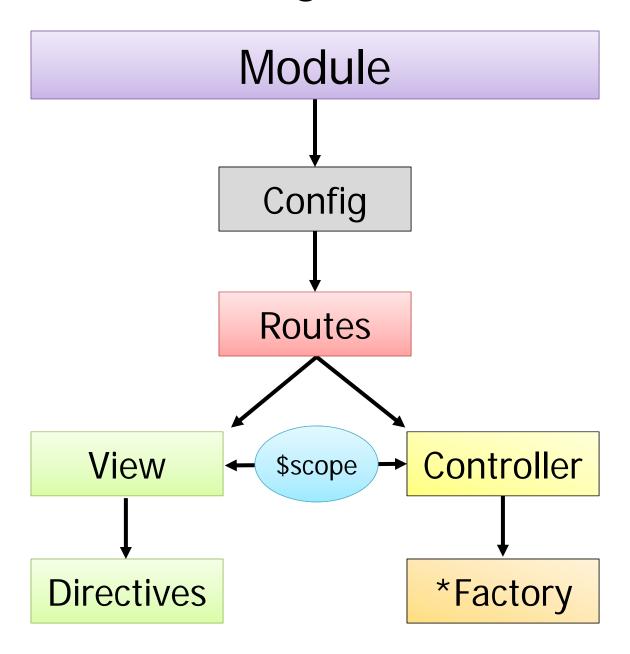
Accessing \$http Response Data

- \$http makes asynchronous calls:
 - Relies on \$q service's deferred/promise APIs
 - Access data by calling then() or success()/error()

```
customersFactory.getCustomers()
    .success(function (customers) {
        $scope.customers = customers;
    })
    .error(function (data, status, headers, config) {
        //error!
    });
```

Summary

The Big Picture



Summary

- Factories and services are singletons
- Provide a place to store re-useable tasks:
 - Ajax calls
 - Business rules
 - □ More...
- Create using a module's factory() or service() functions
- Access by injecting the factory/service