

# LABS AND EXERCISES ANGULAR FUNDAMENTALS

#### 01 - START SIMPLE

The general Github-address with example code is github.com/PeterKassenaar/voorbeeldenAngular2

- a) Goal: create a basic Angular Hello world app.
  - o Create your own Hello World app. This can be done in multiple ways. Choose one:
  - o Use 100-helloworld as a base. You only need to install dependencies by using npm install and subsequently npm start.
  - o OR (recommended!): Install Angular CLI and create a project using the command line.
  - o Directions can be found at https://cli.angular.io/.
  - o Learn to use the commands ng new, ng serve and ng generate. Look up for yourself on how to use these commands.
- b) Goal: create a new component. Show this inside the root component.
  - o Make sure Angular cli is installed. Use npm install -g @angular/cli if this is not the case.
  - Use the angular CLI to create a new component. For instance: ng generate component [your-component-name].
  - Open your component in the editor and give it some UI (add some HTML text).
  - o Look at the .ts-file. Remember its selector.
  - Go to the main component of your app and enclose the new component using its selector (like <your-component></your-component>).
  - Start the application. It should show both components.
- c) Optional Goal: write your own component. Use this instead of the default app.component.ts.
  - Remove the <hello-world> or <app-root> component from your existing app. Then, follow these steps to create your own, new component from scratch:
  - o Using Angular-CLI (recommended): again use the command ng generate component [cmp-name] and edit some text inside the generated .ts and .html-files.
  - Edit the Module app.module.ts, such that the new component is imported and bootstrapped.
  - o Edit index.html, such that the new selector is being used.
  - o Run npm start to test your new component.
- d) Optional Goal: getting to know TypeScript a bit better
  - o Visit typescriptlang.org and practice creating a class, using the Playground link in the Top Menu. Type your code in the left pane, look at the generated code in the right pane.
  - o Define for example a class Person, with properties firstName, lastName en email.
  - o Create an instance of the class (let person = new Person ()) and log the properties to the console. Use the **Run** button above the right pane.
  - See for yourself for the other examples from the dropdown menu. (like Types, Generics, Modules) to extend your knowledge of TypeScript.
  - o Visit the link Documentation, Handbook, Basic Types and read what types can be used in TypeScript.
  - o If time permitting, also look at the other documentation (Variable Declarations, Interfaces, Classes, etc).



### 02 - DATABINDING

- a) Goal: create properties on your class and bind them to the user interface.
  - Expand your app from the previous lab (Hello World) with a field/property. Bind the
    property in the template being used.
  - o First, use direct initialization of variables, like name: string = '<your-name>'.
  - $\circ \quad \textit{Second,} \ \text{use separate declaration and initialize in the constructor.} \ \text{Code can look like:}$

```
name: string;
constructor() { this.name = '<your-name>' }
```

- o Third, use the (recommended) approach using ngOnInit(). Code can look like ngOnInit() { this.name = '<your-name>' }
- o Demo code available at /101-databinding.
- b) Goal: working with arrays of properties and using \*ngFor.
  - o Create an array of properties. Bind them in the template using the directive \*ngFor.
  - Use TypeScript to explicitly declare the property as an array of strings. Pick one of these alternatives (they both mean the same):

```
cities: string[];
cities: Array<string>;
```

Of course you can use other data than cities, for example persons, products, and so on.

- o Demo code available at /101-databinding.
- c) Goal: create your own Model and use this as a type in your application.
  - o Create a Model for the contents of your array. The model consists of an object with one or more properties. See for instance app/shared/city.model.ts as an example.
  - Adapt the signature of the array so it looks like cities: City[] or cities: Array<City>.
  - Rewrite your array, so the content now are properties of type <YourModel>.
  - o Advanced: instead of using a class for the Model you can also use the TypeScript-construct Interface. Look up for yourself how this can be done.
  - o Demo code available at /101-databinding.
- d) Goal: using \*nglf
  - o Create a <div> on the page that is only shown if your array has three or more objects in it.
    The code can look like <div \*ngIf="cities.length > 3">...</div>.
  - Create one more use case of \*ngIf for yourself.
- e) Goal: using an external template
  - Edit your component, such that the HTML is now in an external template. In the example code this is in app/app.html.
  - Next, use the property templateUrl in @Component to point at the file. Test if the databinding still works.
  - o Demo code available at /101-databinding.



## 03 - EVENT BINDING

## a) Goal: using event binding

- Add an element with event-binding to the application. For instance, create a button to capture a click event. The code can look like
  - <button (click) = "onClick()">.../button>.
- o Call an event handler in the component if the event occurs. For example, write a function onClick() { alert('message...')} or show a console.log()-text.
- o Demo code available at /103-eventbinding.

## b) Optional goal: using other event bindings

 Test other types of DOM-events, for example blur, focus, keypress, mousemove, and more. If you need inspiration, see the overview of possible events at mozilla.org (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events).

#### c) Optional goal: using @HostListener

- Use the @HostListener() decorator in your component to listen to other (non-DOM) events, like networking changes, battery charging change or resize events.
- Show a message in the console or on the component if the event occurs.

## d) Goal: learn local template variables

- o Create a text field with a local template variable. The notation can look like <input type="text" #myText>.
- o Pass the variable to an event handler using an event of your liking (for example click or keyup) and show the value in an alert () or console.log()
- Create another textbox on the page. The user can type numbers in the textbox.
- o Pass the number to an event handler and add the number to a property total. Show the addition of all numbers (i.e. the total value) in the page.
- o Remember to use parseInt() to convert the stringvalue of the textbox to a number!
- o Demo code available at /103-eventbinding.

### e) Goal: creating a simple client sided CRUD application

- Create a simple client-sided CRUD-application: users can add elements to the array (names, cities, products, etc) and remove them from the array.
- Adding can be done by using ArrayName.push (...)
- O Deleting can be done by using .indexOf() and ArrayName.splice(...), OR: using a more reactive approach, by using .filter() operator on the array.



### 04 - ATTRIBUTE BINDING AND TWO-WAY BINDING

## a) Goal: getting to know attribute binding

- o Create a button on the page. If the button is clicked, a <div> with a text is shown.
- o If the button is clicked again, the text is hidden.
- Do this by adding a property to the class and assign it to the [hidden] property of the div.For example:

```
<div [hidden]="myBoolean">...</div>.
```

o Demo code available at /103-attributebinding

# b) Optional goal: using other attribute bindings

- o If time permitting: create a component with a textbox.
- If the user types an English color in the box and clicks a button, a corresponding <div>receives this color as a background color.
- o Hint: use [style.backgroundColor] = "bgCcolor" on the div. Create a bgCcolor property on the class.
- o Optional: create a second textbox to set the text/foreground color.
- Advanced: investigate how this works if the color can be picked from a series of radio buttons or from a dropdown list.

# c) Optional goal: using class binding and style binding

- o If time permitting: investigate for yourself how the Angular-concepts *class binding* en *style binding* work. Read for example the documentation at https://angular.io/docs/ts/latest/guide/template-syntax.html#!#other-bindings.
- Create a component that demonstrates these concepts. Show and explain your code to the teacher or to a colleague.

### d) Goal: using two-way binding with [ (ngModel) ]

- o Create a text field in your component that uses two-way binding.
- Use [(ngModel)] as a directive on the <input> box. Bind the value of the typed text directly to the page.
- o  $\,$  Don't forget to import and add  ${\tt FormsModule}$  to the  ${\tt app.module.ts}$  file!
- Create a copy-function. Create two text boxes on the page. Text that is typed into the first textbox, should also appear in the second textbox.
- o Demo code available at /104-twowaybinding



### 05 - SERVICES

- a) Goal: using a service to display data in component/user interface.
  - While working, you have developed some components, displaying data. Move this data from the component class to a service.
  - Create a new file (for example city.service.ts) and import the correct annotations.
     Use @Injectable() to decorate the service.
  - Write a getCities () method and optional methods to add or delete cities or the data you are working with, of course.
  - o Inject your service in the module. Remember to use the property providers: [] in the @ngModule-annotation.
    - i. Optional: remove the providers array and update the decorator on the service to look like @Injectable ({providedIn: 'root').
  - o Import your service in the component and instantiate in the constructor. The code will look like constructor (private cityService: CityService) { ... } . Test your application.
  - o Demo code available at /200-services-static.
- b) Optional goal: provide other data via service.
  - Create another service, providing different data (for example your favorite food, sports teams, hobbies, etc).
  - o Follow the same steps as above, consuming the data from the service in your component.
  - This is an illustration of the fact that you can inject multiple services into the constructor of the same component.
- c) Goal: use a service to fetch contents of a .json file asynchronous.
  - Create a .json file with data and load this data in your application using an asynchronous service call (for example: cities.json). Remember the following steps:
  - o Import and inject HttpClientModule in app.module.ts.
  - o Inject HttpClient in the service;
  - o Adapt your get-method. For example, getCities() now has this body: return this.http.get<City[]>('app/cities.json');
  - O Adapt your component, to use a .subscribe() method to retrieve and unwrap the values from the service. Our subscribe block can look like
    - .subscribe(cityData => this.cities = cityData)

Demo code available at /201-services-http.

- d) Optional goal: learn to work with other RxJs methods.
  - More on RxJs: use the .pipe() function and use other operators inside .pipe(). For instance:
    - i. map(), delay(), tap(), catchError() among others.
  - o Demo code available at /202-services-rxjs.
  - If time permitting: read the Observable Cheat Sheet at <u>onehungrymind.com/observable-cheat-sheet/</u>. See what observables can do for you and how you can transform the data stream to be directly consumed by your components.
- e) Goal: using a live API
  - See how a service connects to a real backend by running and studying /210-serviceslive. Look at:
  - o ...how the service connects to the backend by using the URL;
  - o ...how the results returned from the Component or Service.



- Having studied the example, build an app on your own! You can of course use the Open Movie Database API, but there are a lot of other API's available.
- o See for example openweathermap.org/API, or https://pokeapi.co
- See also the textfile JavaScript APIs.txt and even more API's at https://github.com/toddmotto/public-apis.
- o Remember to use HttpClient in your service
- Always read the API documentation very carefully!

### f) Optional goal: sending POST requests to a backend

- See how a service sends POST requests to a real backend by running and studying /212post-demo. Look at:
- o ...how the component now directly connects to the backend by using the URL;
- ...how the data attribute is built from the dummy email and password fields;
- o ...how the headers field is composed and added to the POST request.
- Having seen this, go ahead and create your own POST-demo, using <a href="http://regres.in">http://regres.in</a>.
- There are POST-endpoints available for dummy creating records, dummy registration and dummy login successful/unsuccessful. Pick one and assemble a component talking to this backend.
- o Demo code available at /212-post-demo.

## g) Optional goal: creating a backend with json-server

- o You can use the package <code>json-server</code> to create a 'fake' REST backend. Well, actually it is a real backend, but a .json-file serves as your database. You wouldn't want this in a real application, but it is useful in development scenarios.
- o Install json-server in you application, using npm install json-server.
- Read the documentation at https://www.npmjs.com/package/json-server
- o Create your own .json database-file and serve it from localhost://3000
  - i. You can optionally use the file <code>MOCK\_DATA.json</code> as an example, if you can't come up with your own data.
- o Run your frontend application from localhost: 4200
- o Show a list with the contents of the json-file in your component.
- Create a 'real' CRUD-like application, where your application can read, write and update contents inside the json-file.
- o Demo code available. See ../205-services-http-CRUD as an example.



## 06 - APPLICATIONS WITH MULTIPLE COMPONENTS

- a) Goal: creating a detail component showing the selected data.
  - o Create a new application, or use your application from previous exercises.
  - Add a detail component. Details are shown after a mouseclick on the list in the parent component.
  - Follow the steps (4 steps) from the presentation, to add the DetailComponent to your app.
     These are:
  - o 1. Create a separate detail component, for instance city.detail.ts.
  - o 2. Inject detail component in app.module.ts.
  - 3. Encapsulate detail component in HTML of parent component by using its selector, for instance <city-detail></city-detail>. Also alter component so that detail component is loaded after mouseclick on the list.
  - o 4. Run the app and look if detail component appears after clicking
  - o Demo code available at /300-components.
- b) Goal: using @Input () annotation to transfer data from parent to child component.
  - Add/enhance the click handler in your parent component: make sure the current city (or again: the data you are working with) is transferred to the component (i.e. (click) =getCity(city)).
  - o In your event handler, set a property. For instance this.currentCity = city.
  - Make sure to transfer the currentCity property to the child component. Use a notation like [city] = "currentCity" in the template of the parent component.
  - Annotate the detail component with @Input() decorator. Don't forget the () after @Input. This way, the City object is passed into the detail component and shown in the user interface.
  - o Demo code available at /301-components-inputs.
- c) Goal: using @Output annotation to transfer data from child to parent component.
  - o Import @Output() service and EventEmitter in the child component using import {..., Output, EventEmitter} from '@angular/core';
  - o Enhance the class with @Output() decorator and define a new EventEmitter (see city.detail.ts in example code).
  - Write a click handler that emits a new event. In the example code a number is thrown, but you can throw anything you like.
  - Capture the event in the parent component by using event binding syntax like (eventName) = "handleEvent (\$event).
  - Write an event handler in the parent component to handle the event and let the application react accordingly.
  - Demo code available at /302-components-outputs.
- d) Optional goal: create a complete application:
  - If time permitting: create a simple eCommerce application, implementing the following requirements:
  - o A Store. Write a service for a store that delivers 4 or 5 products. (This can be static data).
  - o A master component. Show a list of items in the store, retrieved by your service.
  - A detail component. Clicking a product shows details of the product in its own component.
  - A Shopping Cart. The user can place the product in his shopping cart (which of course is another component). The contents of the shopping cart are visible in user interface.
  - o An "Order" button. If clicked, show the contents of the shopping cart and calculate the total price.



### 07 - ROUTING

# a) Goal: install routing in your app.

- Adapt the application from your previous exercises, or create a new application, using routing. These are the requirements:
- o Add the <base href="/"> tag to your index.html.
- o Create a routing table in a new file called app.routes.ts. Make sure to export a constant that is an array with routing properties.
- o Import your routes in app.module.ts. Don't forget to also import RouterModule.
- o Make sure the application has a mainComponent (also known as: rootComponent). This component shows the main menu and has a <router-outlet></router-outlet>.'
- Adapt the bootstrapper main.ts, such that now the new mainComponent is loaded/bootstrapped.
- o Adapt index.html, such that the correct selector is loaded.
- o Create the (new) component for every route you designed. This can be EditComponents, addComponent, AboutUsComponent, ContactComponent, and so on.
- Test and make sure the different components are loaded when they are selected in the main menu.
- o Demo code available at /400-router.

## b) Optional Goal – using routing with Angular-CLI

- Create a new project with the Angular-CLI, and use the --routing flag to add routing to the project.
- Study the separate routing module that the CLI created and see how it is integrated in the app.
- O Add one or two new components (and routes) to the application and show them via a main menu inside <router-outlet> in AppComponent.ts.

#### c) Goal: use routing parameters

o Adapt your app.routes.ts, such that now a route with parameter is available. This can be written like

```
{path: 'detail/:id', component: CityDetailComponent}
```

- o Add a new component, for instance city-detail.component.ts. Make sure to import ActivatedRoute into this component.
- o Instantiate a private route in the constructor, of type ActivatedRoute. The code can look like

```
constructor(private route: ActivatedRoute) { ... }
```

- i. Make sure your detail component is added to the Module, so it is available.
- o Adapt the master page, to point to the detail route. Hyperlinks can look like
  <a [routerLink]="['/detail', city.id]"> {{ city.name }}</a>
- Save and test your app.
- o Demo code available at ../401-router-parameter.

### d) Optional goal: securing parts of your application with RouteGuards.

- o If time permitting: add some guards to your application. For instance, the CanActivate guard or CanDeactivate guard.
- o Write a *guard as a function*, using the provide: and useValue: properties of the providers: [] section in app.module.ts.
- o Remember to use/add the guard token in app.routes.ts.



- o Write a guard as a class, using the CanActivate interface. See for instance canActivateViaAuthGuard.ts as an example.
- o Again, don't forget to add the guard in app.routes.ts.
- o Try to let the example authService return true or false and see what happens. Can you still navigate to the route?
- o Demo code available at ../402-router-guards.



### 08 - FORMS

# a) Goal: build a template driven form

- Create a simple HTML5 form in a component, or use a form from an earlier exercise (for example the login form from 11-post-demo).
- o Add the local template variable #myForm="ngForm" to the <form> tag.
- o Add the directives ngModel to the separate form fields. You don't need two-way databinding with [()].
- Write for example myForm.value to the user interface, or show the contents of the form in an alert (or in the console) when a button is clicked.
- Demo code available at /500-forms-template-driven, Component 1.

#### b) Goal: address individual controls inside the form and add HTML5 validators.

- Assign a local template variable to the form fields.
- o Bind ngModel to the local template variable. The code can look like #email="ngModel"
- Retrieve the values from the local template variable and show them in the user interface, for example its value and its validity.
- o Add the HTML5 attribute required to the form fields and see how this affects the state of the form field. Write its validity to the user interface.
- o Demo code available at /500-forms-template-driven, Component 2.

### c) Goal: combining individual form fields to an ngModelGroup

- o Add some field to the form (for example some extra text fields or checkboxes).
- o Groep them inside a <div>, assign the <div> the directive ngModelGroup. The code can look like
  - <div ngModelGroup="customer" #customer="ngModelGroup">
- o Run the code and identify the model group in the returned form value object.
- Optional: set the value of a form field from inside your class, by using the local template variable and bind to [ngModel].
- Demo code available at /500-forms-template-driven, Component 3.

### d) Goal: submitting template driven forms

- Add a submit button to the form.
- Make sure the submit button is only active when the form as a whole is valid. Your code can look like

```
<button type="submit" (click)="onSubmit(myForm)"
[disabled]="!myForm.valid"> ... </button>
```

Demo code available at /500-forms-template-driven, Component 4.

# e) Optional goal: working with model driven forms

- Start with a simple form, for example build a form on your own, or use the dummy login form from /212-post-demo.
- o Import ReactiveFormsModule into your app.module.ts.
- o Add the [formGroup]="..." directive to the <form> tag, add formControlName="..." to the individual controls.
- o Import FormGroup and FormBuilder into your class and build the form, based on the layout of your HTML.
- Submit the form and write the value to an alert box or to the console.
- o Demo code available at /501-forms-model-driven, Component 1 and Component 2.