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Start

Before we can start building Angular applications we have to prepare the development environment. This means installing the dependencies with NPM and start the application with the CLI to have a running application.

Tasks

- 1. Import the project into your IDE.
- 2. Run the following command from the command line, on the same level as package.json . Or use the IDE.

```
npm install
```

This will download the Angular framework and all of the dependencies.

3. Start the application server and TypeScript-transpiler in a terminal or from your IDE:

```
npm start
```

4. Run the command below in a new command window to open the assignments and have click-able urls.

```
npm run assignments:run
```

FAQ

npm install

If the install has not run properly due to network issues or environment setting, it is possible to copy them from someone else. If even that fails, you can ask the Trainer for a USB stick with a virtual machine which is pre-setup.

Optional

Webstorm & Angular

In the current version of Webstorm / Intellij it is possible to use <code>@angular/language-service</code> , for enhanced integration of Angular in the IDE> To use this feature, go to:

- Preferences -> Languages & Services -> TypeScript
- Tick Use TypeScript Service and click Configure
- Tick Angular .
- Do not tick compiler, the CLI handles this for us.

Augury

Augury is a powerful debugging tool for Angular. If you use Chrome, this extension can give you an in depth view of the application.

CSS

You can find the documentation for the CSS library that is used in the project on https://mildrenben.github.io/surface/

RxDevtools

https://github.com/kwintenp/rx-devtools

Intro

In this short intro you will create a very small Angular app with some basic features. This way, you will get a feeling what Angular is all about. All features will be explained in more detail in later parts of the training.

Generating and running an app

- 1. In a new folder, type ng new myFirstAngularApp. This command generates a skeleton for your new angular app. This skeleton gives you a very good starting point for your app.
- 2. Change your directory to cd myFirstAngularApp where the skeleton was created and run ng serve. This command runs a simple http server that serves your newly created app.
- 3. Browse to localhost: 4200 . Congratulations. You've just created your first Angular app and now you see it running.

Implementing your own component

1. Open the folder myFirstAngularApp in your favourite IDE or text editor. Go to src\app and open app.component.html . This file contains the html that is currently displayed on the screen. Replace the contents of the file with this:

```
<button>Click me</button>
You clicked me 0 times.
```

- 2. Return to the browser. You will see that changes are immediately picked up, without you having to restart the application or refresh the browser. If you click the button, nothing happens yet. Let's add some interactivity!
- 3. Open app.component.ts . This TypeScript class defines the behaviour for the html you just saw. Add a property clicked and a function onclick:

```
export class AppComponent {
    clicked = 0;
    onClick() {
        this.clicked++;
        console.log(`You clicked ${this.clicked} times`);
    }
}
```

4. The next step is to tell Angular that onclick should be called when the button is clicked. We use a so called event handler for this:

```
<button (click)='onClick()'>
```

- 5. Open the browser console and click the button. The message You clicked ... times will be displayed.
- 6. To show the number in the template, we will use a so called interpolation. In the html, replace the number 0 with [{clicked }} . This will show the value of the clicked property in the TypeScript class on the screen. Check that it works.

Modules and Components

An Angular-application consists of Modules with each their own tree of components. Remember the difference between certain 'types' of modules and the different style of components.

In this assignment we'll setup the Angular application from the start, and convert the current static page to an Angular application. We'll do this in 3 steps:

- Create a Root component & Root module
- Create a specialized component for the books
- Refactor the code to use a Feature Module

Techniques

- @Component
- @NgModule

Tree diagram

AppComponent

AppModule

Root Component (AppComponent)

The component where the application starts is called the Root Component. Here, we will create and bootstrap this component.

1. Create a new file called app.component.ts in the folder src/app/ and export the TypeScript class Appcomponent.

Best practice: File- and class names

It's Best Practice to give the class the same name as the file. By doing this, it's easier to find them when needed.

- 2. In app.component.ts: Import @component() from @angular/core and put the decorator above the class AppComponent. As a parameter, this decorator gets a configuration object.
- 3. Put the selector property in the configuration object and give this the value ibs-book-shop

Best practice: Application specific prefix

An application specific prefix ensures that there can be no collisions when combining the app with multiple generic libraries. Angular requires the component selector to be unique, and this prefix helps with keeping your component unique. In our case, we choose 'ibs', which stands very creatively for Ilionx Book Shop

- 4. Add the property template, this is what will be shown in the DOM.
- 5. Cut everything from <!-- Start App Component --> up to <!-- End App Component --> from index.html and as a string into the template property. Use `` tickbacks template strings from ES6 to have the template on multiple lines
- 6. Put the selector of AppComponent in index.html, between <!-- Start App Component --> and <!-- End App Component -->

Root Module (AppModule)

The module that is responsible for bootstrapping an Angular application is called the Root Module In app.module.ts we've set an NgModule ready to be used as Root Module.

1. Add the properties declarations:[] and bootstrap: [], and put AppComponent in both arrays.

BrowserModule

BrowserModule add logic like error handling to an Angular application. Only the Root Module imports the BrowserModule .

2. Open main.ts and check out the documentation about what this does.

main.ts

This is the file where an Angular application is started. It is configured in <code>.angular-cli.json</code> , and you can change this to any name you'd like.

Refresh

1. Check the browser, and make sure there are no errors in the console. If you have Augury installed, you can use it now. It's hidden in the tabs of the Developer Tools of Chrome

Business Components (BooksComponent)

In this assignment we will make add a Business Component to the application that will manage the books screen.

- 1. Create in the folder books the following files:
 - o books.component.ts
 - o books.component.html
- 2. Create a TypeScript class Bookscomponent and decorate this with @component , Set the selector property to ibs-books and templateUrl to ./books.component.html
 - templateUrl's in @component are relative and always have to be prefixed with './'.
- 3. We've created an interface in app/books/models/book.interface which contains the properties for a Book Import this interface into BooksComponent , and add a property called books that will hold a Book[]
- 4. Initialize the property, you can use the data on the bottom of the page. These are the books that we will show initially in the application. Later in the day we will be getting the data from a server.
- 5. Cut everything from <!-- Start Books Component --> to <!-- End Books Component --> from the template from AppComponent , and paste this in the template of BooksComponent .
- 6. Back in the template of AppComponent, add the selector of BookComponent in the place where you cut the template from.
- 7. To actually use the component in Appcomponent , we need to declare BooksComponent in the AppModule .
- 8. Check in the browser if there are no error message. You will also see a difference in Augury, with the newly made components.

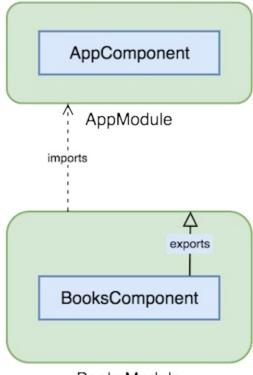
Data

```
[
 {
   "id": 100001,
   "title": "Application Design",
   "author": "0'Rly?",
   "genre": "programming",
    "img": "assets/app-head.jpg",
    "price": 14.95,
   "reserved": false
 },
   "id": 100002,
   "title": "Remote Programming",
    "author": "0'Rly?",
   "genre": "misc",
   "img": "assets/coding.jpg",
    "price": 25.95,
    "reserved": true
 },
   "id": 100003,
    "title": "Deadline programming",
   "author": "0'Rly?",
    "genre": "motivation",
   "img": "assets/coffee-code.jpg",
   "price": 14.95,
    "reserved": false
 }
```

]

Feature Module (BooksModule)

It's a good idea to separate the code into modules. This also adds the benefit to easily lazy load the module if that need comes. Here we'll make a new BooksModule which will contain everything related to books.



BooksModule

- 1. Create the file books.module.ts in the folder books
- 2. Export a new class called BooksModule, or any name following the style guide.
- 3. Decorate the class with <code>@NgModule</code> , which also gets a configuration object as a parameter.
- 4. Set the properties declarations:[] and exports: [] in the configuration object, and add Bookscomponent into both arrays.

exports: []

This array holds the components which we want to be able to use outside the BooksModule Otherwise their selectors can only be used in components within BooksModule

5. Add imports: [] to the configuration object, and put commonModule into the array.

CommonModule

CommonModule holds the common directives (ngFor, nglf, ...) and pipse (json, currency, async, ..) of Angular. You will probably import the CommonModule into every Feature Module. This will not result in a bigger payload for each module. The Angular CLI (& Webpack) will put all commonly imported modules into its own file when creating a production build.

- 6. Check the browser to see an error in the console, which on of the suggestions are we following? Fix the error accordingly.
- 7. Remove BooksComponent from AppModule . Also delete the TypeScript import.

8. Add BooksModule to the imports: [] of AppModule .

Optional

More modules

You can use the Angular CLI to easily create more modules and components. We can practice this by creating a few modules and some components. Try to setup the modules with Business and Presentation components, and when you need to share functionality over modules put the components in the correct module.

The goal of this assignment is practicing with the Angular CLI, so no templates are made available. However, when you are done with the other assignments you could implement one of these features for real.

Below are a few ideas that you can use to generate the necessary modules & components.

1. ShoppingCart The shopping cart will hold the items the user has selected, and needs an option to fill in user & buying details.

Here are a few examples of components you could add.

- a page where the content of the shopping cart is shown
- an order page for filling in user details & buying information
- a confirmation page
- CoffeeShop What is a book store without a coffee? This bookstore also has a coffee order page, with coffees, cups, special flavours of sugar and so on. Just like the Books, the user needs to be able to buy these and put them in the Shopping Cart. This means that the ShoppingCart should be able to show multiple types of items.
- BackOffice The managers of the Book store might want an overview of all the items that are currently available in
 the store, in a nice overview. It would also be nice to get a report of all the sales, and of course how much income
 has been generated.
- Request an item Not all books or coffees are available all the time. It would be nice if the user has some
 functionality where they can request books or coffees and get a notification when the item has arrived.

Template Syntax

The Template Syntax is used to render the data from the component in the template, react to events from the user and to modify the DOM structure.

In this assignment we will show the book titles in a list of buttons which will get the data from the Business Component Bookscomponent. When a user clicks one of the buttons, this selected book will be shown next to the list of book titles.

We will make use of Presentation components to show the data and handle the user input. This way of thinking allows us a lot of freedom within the component itself like layout and styling, calculations or passing the data to new components. For the parent (usually a business) component, it does not matter what happens to the data as long as the API stays the same: An input for the list of books, and an output for the chosen book.

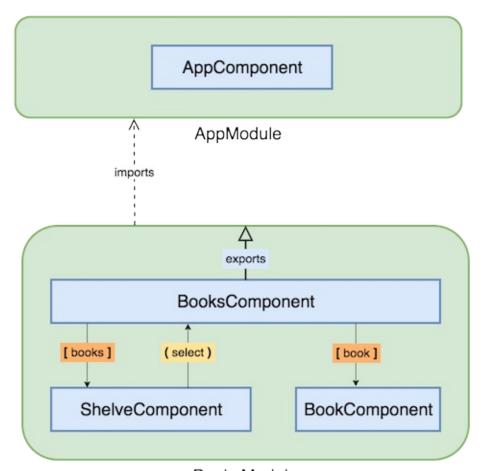
This process is done in 2 steps:

- Create a Presentation component for the list of books
- Create a Presentation component for the selected book

Techniques

- property binding
- · event binding
- structural directives
- component communication

Tree diagram



BooksModule

shelve.component

The shelve will hold the books as a list of buttons, that the user can click to show the details.

- 1. Create a new folder named shelve in the folder books, with two files
 - o shelve.component.ts
 - o shelve.component.html
- 2. Create a new class called <code>shelveComponent</code> and decorate this with @Component. Set the properties of <code>selector</code> and <code>templateUrl to ibs-shelve</code> and <code>./shelve.component.html respectively</code>.
- 3. Add ShelveComponent to the declarations: [] Of BooksModule

Binding: @Input()

- 1. Give shelveComponent a property called books and decorate this with @Input().
- 2. Cut the HTML between <!-- start ShelveComponent --> and <!-- End ShelveComponent --> paste it into the template of ShelveComponent .
- 3. Back in the template of BooksComponent , set the selector of ShelveComponent between <!-- Start ShelveComponent --> and <!-- End ShelveComponent --> .
- 4. Show the titles of books in a <button> element with *ngFor and interpolation
- 5. To get the books from BooksComponent into shelveComponent, add [books]="books" in the template of BooksComponent in the tag <ibs-shelve> . This is Property binding
- 6. Check the browser for any errors. If you have Augury installed, you can do some interesting things with the @Input decorator on ShelveComponent.

Events: @Output()

When a button is clicked, we want to show the selected book in BooksComponent . To get this done, we need to listen for an event from ShelveComponent in BooksComponent .

- 1. In ShelveComponent, create a new @Output property called select and instantiate it with an EventEmitter<Book>. The EventEmitter must be imported from @angular/core.
- 2. Create a method onselect with a parameter book:Book , and call from this method the @output property select.emit().
- 3. To call onselect from the template, we will listen for the (click) event of <button> . Since we have access to an instance of book in each element thanks to *ngFor="let book of books" , we can pass this from the template to onselect .
- 4. In BooksComponent , add a property called selectedBook , and type it as Book .
- 5. Create a method on Bookscomponent called selectBook. This will get a parameter called book set the property selectedBook to value of the incoming parameter.
- 6. To connect the event from shelvecomponent to the method on BooksComponent, we need to listen for
 (select)="" from the element <ibs-shelve> . Set selectBook(\$event) between the quotes. \$event is a
 pseudo-variable, which will tell Angular to get the arguments from the event and pass them trough.

BookComponent

The book component shows all the properties of a book.

- 1. Create a new folder named book in the folder books, with two files
 - o book.component.ts
 - o book.component.html
- 2. Create a new class in book.component.ts and decorate it with the @Component decorator. Set the selector and templateur1 properties.
- 3. Declare the component with the BooksModule .
- 4. Give the component an @Input property called book .
- 5. Show the the properties of book using $\{\{ \text{ interpolation } \}\}\$ and [] in the template of BooksComponent .
- 6. Use the selector of BookComponent in books.component.html , and give it the selectedBook for the @Input book.
- 7. The first time BooksComponent is initialized the property selectedBook is undefined, and it won't be possible to get properties shown in the template. Check the console in the browser to see the error, and fix accordingly.
- 8. Set nglf in the template of BooksComponent where selectedBook is read. This will not show the element until there is a value for selectedBook.
- 9. Show the price with the Currency Pipe and the Euro symbol.

Optional

nglf;else

1. Show a message for the user when there is not yet a book selected.

Deselect

Add the feature to deselect a selected book. Where do you handle the user interaction and where the deselection of the current book? Keep the responsibilities of Business Components and Presentation components in mind while adding this feature.

You can use the following template to show a cross.

```
X
```

@Directive

When you need to add functionality or styling to a Component or an HTML-element, but do not need to add anything to the DOM, a Directive is what you need. Directives are TypeScript classes annotated with <code>@Directive</code> instead of <code>@Component</code>, and do not have a template.

In this assignment were are going to make a directive that adds a border around books that have been reserverd. This directive is going to be used in the shelve and in the Book component. The border is going around the books in the shelve, and around the title in the book detail.

1. Generate a directive called BookReserved using the Angular CLI.

```
// if you have the CLI installed globally:
ng g d books/book-reserved

// otherwise, you can run it locally:
npx ng g d books/book-reserved
```

or follow the steps below

- 1. Create a new file called book-reserved.directive.ts in the books folder.
- 2. Export a class called BookReservedDirective and decorate it with the @Directive annotation.
- 3. The <code>@Directive</code> decorator requires the property <code>selector</code> , which is how we reference it in the template. Give it a value that complies with the <code>StyleGuide</code>
- 4. Declare the directive with the BooksModule so we can use the directive in the template of the components declared in this module.

The BookReservedDirective needs an input to know what book is reserved, and based on the value of that input it should add a border to the element.

- 1. Add a property called reserved and decorate it with the @Input() decorator.
- 2. Implement the onInit interface from @angular/core and add the required method.
- 3. Create a method that will add the border, something like addBorder and call it from ngOnInit. Always try and keep the lifecycle methods clean from any logic.
- 4. Use the property binding [] -syntax to set the reserved property from the template of ShelveComponent .

To interact with the DOM from a Directive, we need a reference to the HTML-element to toggle the class. Angular provides the template reference variable mechanism for this, that you use by adding #variableName in the template to the element. Remember the ngif/else, where we put a template reference variable on the element we want to show in the else-case.

We can use the template reference variable to pass in the HtmlElement into our directive using another @Input decorated property.

- 1. Add a new @Input decorated property to BookReservedDirective that will hold the HTML element. the type is HTMLElement.
- 2. In the template of ShelveComponent , add a template reference variable to the button -element.
- 3. Pass the template reference variable into BookReservedDirective using the [] -syntax.

To finish this task, we need to add the border to the element. The HTMLElement that we get from the template reference variable has an API to do this. We'll use the property style.border to set the border, by assigning a CSS value to it. The example below will add a 2 pixel wide, solid blue border to the element:

```
element.style.border = '2px solid #0000FF'
```

1. Add a border to the element based on the value of the reserved property.

Reusing the BookReserved directive.

We can reuse the BookReserved directive on the book detail to add an extra visual cue to show that the book is reserved.

1. Add the BookReserved directive to the template of BooksComponent . Make sure you put the directive on an HTMLElement , and not on a Component . This means we might need to make some changes to the HTML structure.

What happens when we click a reserved book first and then a different book? Why isn't the UI updated with the new value? This is because we only set the border during the onInit lifecycle phase, which is called only once. To have the directive respond new values being passed in, we need to implement the onchanges lifecycle.

- 1. Implement the onchanges interface, and add the required method.
- 2. Move method call that adds the border from <code>onInit</code> to <code>onchanges</code>. In the lifecycle hook <code>ngonchanges</code>, all the properties decorated with <code>@Input()</code> are updated with the new value.

Refactoring the BookReserved directive.

We have created an <code>@Input</code> called reserved to pass in the property from the book to the directive. It's possible to combine one <code>@Input</code> with the directive itself:

```
<!-- before -->
<button
ibsBookReserved [reserved]="book.reserved" [element]="el" #el>
</button>

<!-- after -->
<button
[ibsBookReserved]="book.reserved" [element]="el" #el>
</button>
```

- 1. Rename the @Input() reserved to the name of the directive.
- 2. Remove the extra code from the templates.

@ViewChild/@ViewChildren

Sometimes you want to get notified when HTML elements or child components become present in the DOM, and perform some action. Since actions are defined in the TypeScript class, we need to get a reference from the template into the component class. Angular provides the decorators <code>@viewChild()</code> / <code>@viewChildren()</code> to do this.

We are going to make a counter in the shelve component of how many books there are by counting the buttons in the template. This assignment is to introduce these decorators and the AfterviewInit lifecycle hook.

- 1. Create a template reference variable on the <button> element in the template of ShelveComponent .
- 2. Add a property to shelve.component to hold the button elements, and decorate it with @viewchildren()

```
@ViewChildren('templateReferenceVariable')
elementQueryList: QueryList<ElementRef>
```

The properties decorated by <code>viewchild() / @viewchildren()</code> are filled by Angular in the <code>viewInit</code> lifecycle phase. When this phase has completed and the properties are filled with a reference, Angular calls the lifecycle hook <code>ngAfterViewInit</code> on the component.

1. Implement the interface AfterViewInit and add the required method.

In this method you can safely call properties decorated with viewChild() / @viewChildren() and be assured they are
not undefined.

1. In this method, call forEach() on the property, which requires an arrow function as a parameter.

```
.forEach((element) => {
});
```

2. print the property nativeElement to the console. What else could you do with this property?

Dependency Injection

At the moment Bookscomponent shows the books in the template from hardcoded data. In reality this data is likely to be stored on some server, which will be fetched by the application when necessary.

To get or send data, transform it or store is the responsibility of a **Service**. To be even more precise: if the operation has nothing to do with the template, it should be in a **service**.

Angular gives Dependency Injection out of the box te manage the creation of instances.

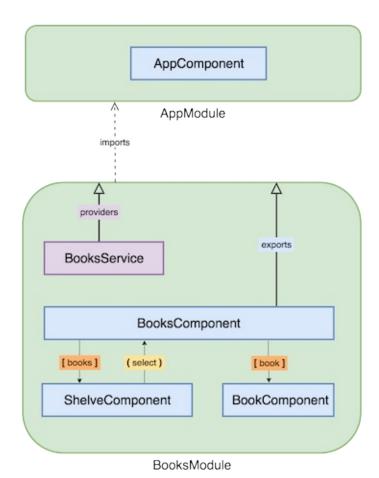
To add this functionality, we are going to need the following 2 steps:

- Create and provide a Service
- Make use of Angular's HttpClient to get the Books from the server

Techniques

- · Provide services
- · constructor injection
- private keyword
- Observables
- Observable operators

Tree diagram



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books.service

The books service will be the communication layer between the component and the http service. This decoupling helps with error handling and share data operations for other components.

- 1. Create a new file called books.service.ts in the folder app/books and create a new class BooksService.
- 2. Add a method called <code>getBooks</code> with a return type <code>Book[]</code>, which will return the books. Cut and paste the data from <code>BooksComponent</code> into this method, we will replace this with a Http call later in the assignment.
- 3. Decorate the service with the <code>@Injectable({providedIn: 'root'})</code> decorator. Adding this decorator makes the class available for dependency injection in other services or components in the entire application.

Dependency Injection

- In Bookscomponent, inject Booksservice by adding booksservice: Booksservice to the constructor of
 Bookscomponent. Don't forget the private keyword, so the service is immediately bound to this of the
 BookService.
- 2. Add implements OnInit to the class definition if you haven't already.

Best practice: Onlnit & ngOnlnit()

It's a best practice to handle data in component in any of the life-cycle events, and not the constructor. See life cycle for a detailed explanation.

3. Create the method <code>ngOnInit</code> in the component and call get the books from the <code>booksService</code> . For now, you can directly set the property <code>books</code> in the component to the result of the method.

HTTP

On the URL http://localhost:3004/ there is a small NodeJS server (defined in /src/server/server.js/) with some endpoint to communicate with. We will replace the hardcoded list of books with an http://localhost:3004/overview, which will get the books.

- 1. In BooksModule, import the HttpClientModule from '@angular/common/http' put it in imports: [] . Now the Angular HttpClient is available for this module and it's components.
- 2. Create a constructor in Booksservice and inject http: HttpClient . Import HttpClient from @angular/common/http if the IDE does not do this for you. Use the private keyword to connect http to this of BooksService .
- 3. In the method <code>getBooks</code> , return <code>http.get<Book[]>()</code> with the parameter <code>http://localhost:3004/overview</code> instead of the books array.
- 4. Change the return type of the method to <code>observable<Book[]></code> . Import <code>observable</code> from <code>'rxjs'</code> if the IDE does not do this for you.

subscribe

- 1. In BooksComponent, call subscribe() On getBooks().
- 2. In the success handler of subscribe, set the result of <code>getBooks()</code> to <code>books</code> .

async pipe

Angular has an AsyncPipe, which will remove some boilerplate, and automatically handles subscriptions. This pipe will also unsubscribe if necessary when the component is destroyed.

In BooksComponent we need to work with an observable<Book[]> instead of Book[].

- $1. \ \ Change \ the \ type \ of \ the \ property \ books: \ Book[] \ \ to \ books: \ Observable < Book[] > \ in \ Books Component$
- 2. Remove the subscribe, and directly set getBooks() to books. Note that at this point the Observable is not executed when this code runs. An Observable is executed when subscribe is called, which will be done by the AsyncPipe For now, it is a simple variable to be passed around as seen fit.
- 3. In the template of Bookscomponent, put | async behind books in the [property binding] which passes the books to Shelvecomponent This way, Shelvecomponent still just gets a Book[], and does not know that instead of hardcoded data, the data is now asynchronously fetched by an HTTP call. This shows how good encapsulation makes changes to applications very easy.

Optional

Dependency Injection

It's possible to set the title of the window in the browser from an Angular application with the Title-service.

1. Change the title of the window to the selected book. Which component should be responsible for this?

BookReservedDirective 2.0

If you have not yet finished the assignment @Directive, do that first. It is the basis for this assignment. This directive is not according to the StyleGuide, because it interacts with a DOM element directly. Angular provides a service that adds the possibility to interact with DOM elements, even when you are not in the browser. Angular made it a *Best Practice* to always use this service, so advanced features like migrating to server side rendering can be done without issues.

- 1. Inject the service Renderer2 into the BookReservedDirective.
- 2. The renderer service has a method to set the style, called setStyle(). Refactor the code using this method.

Now that we know how to use injection, we don't need the separate <code>@Input</code> to get a reference to the element the directive is on. Angular can inject this element for us.

- 1. Inject the element of type ElementRef into the BookReservedDirective .
- 2. The ElementRef has a property nativeElement, which is the same HTML Element as we got from the template.

 The nativeElement is what the renderer needs to set the style.
- 3. Remove the template reference variable and the [] -syntax from the places where BookReservedDirective is used. This makes the BookReservedDirective easier to use, because the API surface has become smaller.

Observables

Error handling

You should always handle errors when working with Observable or Promises, at least with a message to the user to inform them what went wrong. Fot http calls, this is even more important, because the user does not see any errors if they are not handled.

1. Show an error message to the user when a http call fails. You can simulate this, by changing the URL in the books.service.

multiple subscribe S

It can happen that there are multiple components listening for the same http-call, or that a new component is rendered in the DOM which makes the entire Observable run again. We'll have a look at how this is done.

- 1. Copy the <code>ibs-shelve</code> tag in the template of <code>Bookscomponent</code>, so that there are 2 instances listening for events from 1 Observable. If it doesn't work, make sure the <code>async-pipe</code> appears twice in the template.
- 2. In the Developer tools in the browser, open the tab Network and filter on XHR to only see AJAX calls. When you refresh, how many calls are made to the backend for the exact same data?
- Try to get only 1 http call performed, when there are more components listening. Have a look at the share()operator.

Transforming Observables.

In the multiple subscribes s assignment we've made 2 components that show the exact same data. Make one of the components only show the **reserved** books. Do you make a custom component that filters the data itself, or do you let Bookscomponent handle it?

You can make use of the <code>map()</code> -operator to transform the content of the data that goes trough the sequence, in this case <code>Book[]</code> . The <code>filter()</code> function on Array can be used to only get the books we want.

```
> ** Best practice: Why not filter()? **
>
> with filter() you can exclude certain events in the sequence from propagating. Since our even is the `Book[]`
, and we always want this value for the sequence.
```

Testing

Testing ensures your application will continue working as designed when altering or refactoring code. They can also ensure the correct functioning of Angular components. Test files are near the code in <code>.spec.ts</code> files.

Techniques

- Jasmine
- TestBed
- configureTestingModule
- compileComponents
- TestBed.get('')

Red bar

Make the test fail by expecting a length other than 2. Also check what will happen when the test has NOT been wrapped with <code>async()</code>

books.service test

The services are the most important to be tested since these contain the majority of business logic. Services often have dependencies on other services, like the HttpClient. These interactions will have to be mocked to create independent tests.

- 1. Create a new file books.service.spec.ts in the same folder as books.service.ts
- 2. Imports the BooksService from the project and TestBed from @angular/core/testing.
- Within the first describe , start with beforeEach(() => TestBed.configureTestingModule({})) .

configureTestingModule

This method configures a temporary testing module for running the test. This testing module, called <code>TestBed</code>, is configured identically to any NgModule. The {}-parameter contains the object definition typically used to describe a module. If the component or service being tested has specific module dependencies, they should be added to the <code>imports:[]</code> of the object definition

4. Configure the TestBed with a BooksService (in providers) and its dependencies (in imports).

Mocking HttpClient

Since BooksService uses the HttpClient -service, we'll have to mock this. Mocking allows independence and control. We will use Angular's HttpClientTestingModule and HttpTestingController classes to simulate http calls.

- Testing Http Requests
- Add HttpClientTestingModule to the TestBed 'S imports: [] .
- Within the describe() add a new test using it().
- Fetch a BooksService instance using TestBed.get(BooksService).
- Call the getBooks() method and subscribe to the result. The subscribe 's success handler will be containing
 the expect s that actually test the class. There's a call expected to /overview which we can check using the
 HttpTestingController .
- Obtain an HttpTestingController instance by calling TestBed.get(HttpTestingController) and assigning the result to a variable.
- Call expectOne('localhost:3004/overview') On httpTestingController and assign the TestRequest result to a variable. If this URL is not called, the test will fail.

TestRequest The TestRequest is an Angular class allowing you to check the sent request for header accuracy, for example. The TestRequest also provides functionality to return valid responses, simulate error messages and network errors.

- Now we'll have to return a response using <code>TestRequest</code>, so the <code>subscribe</code> 's success handling will be executed. We will use the <code>flush</code> method for this. The first parameter of this method is the response body. Return a valid <code>Book[]</code>, this matches the <code>getBooks()</code> return type.
- Add an expect checking if the received books match the ones we defined in the Response to the subscribe of getBooks(). For Object s use the toEqual matcher. This matcher will check if the properties and values are equal.
- Finally we'd like to see that all Http-calls have been processed and none are still open. Use the verify() method on the httpTestingController instance for this. This will make the test fail if there are still any open calls. This could occur if for example the retry() operator has been used.

• Write a test for the error handler using the same flush -method, but this time provide a second parameter passing the status and statusText.

Best Practice - error scenario

Always add an test for the error handling. At a minimum test the presence of an error message. This makes your test more robust and forces error handling to be used for every <code>Observable</code> .

• Run the tests by executing ng test on the command line.

shelve.component test

The shelve component contains <code>@Input</code> s and <code>@output</code> s we will have to control from the parent.

- 1. Create a shelve.component.spec.ts file in the same folder as shelve.component.ts
- 2. Import the ShelveComponent .
- Import TestBed from '@angular/core/testing';
- 4. Start with beforeEach(() => TestBed.configureTestingModule({}})) and put declarations: [] in the ShelveComponent.
- 5. In the same beforeEach method call compileComponents() of TestBed .
- 6. Create a new test in the <code>describe()</code> using <code>it()</code>. Try to fit the following sentence into the <code>describe</code> and <code>it s</code>: 'When the shelve component is given a list of books, the book titles are rendered in the template'

ComponentFixture

ComponentFixture properties

- componentInstance : allows interaction with the class.
- debugElement: allows interaction with the template.
- 1. Call TestBed.createComponent(ShelveComponent) in the test. This returns a ComponentFixture.
- 2. Assign this return value to a variable fixture: ComponentFixture<ShelveComponent> .
- 3. Fill the books property of fixture.componentInstance with a new Observable, by importing of from 'rxjs/operators' and returning two Books Objects.

```
of([ { title: 'a', author: 'b' }, { title: 'c', author: 'd' } ]);
```

- 4. Call fixture.detectchanges(); to start the change detection process from Angular which will call the lifecycle methods and render the value in the template.
- 5. Add an expect to the number of elements in the list. We've mocked the input with a list of 2 books.

```
expect(fixture.debugElement.queryAll(By.css('button')).length).toBe(2);
```

6. Run the tests by executing $\[ng \]$ test $\[on \]$ the command line.

Optional

Reactive Forms

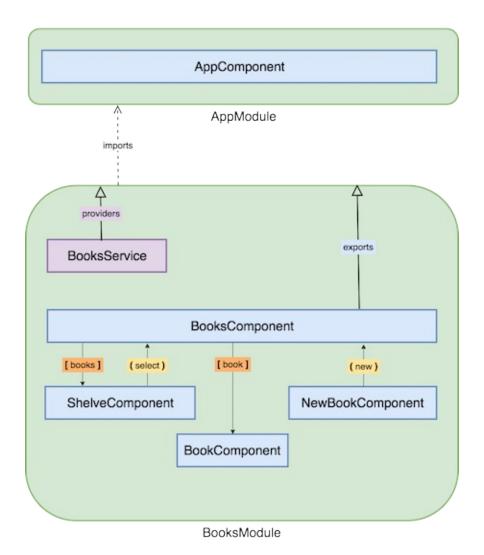
Almost every application has a form in which users can enter data. Such a form usually has validation for the inputs, and tells the user when a field has a wrong value. The form is then sent to the backend for further validation of business rules, and eventually saved.

In this assignment, we will make a form that will store a new book on the server.

Techniques

- FormGroup, FormControl
- (ngSubmit)
- [formGroup], formControlName
- validation

Tree diagram



ReactiveFormsModule

1. Add ReactiveFormsModule to the imports of BooksModule.

Component

- 1. Create a new folder named new-book in books with the following files:
 - o new-book.component.ts
 - o new-book.component.html Use the template below for new-book.component.html .
- 2. Create a new @component class inside new-book.component.ts and give it the following properties:

```
o selector: 'ibs-new-book'
o templateUrl: './new-book.component.html'
```

3. Register NewBookComponent with BooksModule by putting it in the declarations: [] property.

```
angular-cli

Or, you can use the CLI to generate the folder and files and link it automatically with the module:

o ng generate component books/new-book -m books
o ng g c books/new-book -m books
```

4. Put the selector of NewBookComponent in the template of BooksComponent between <!-- Start NewBookComponent --> and <!-- End NewBookComponent --> .

FormGroup, FormControl

- 1. Create a new property on NewBookComponent called bookForm: FormGroup; . Import FormGroup from @angular/forms if the IDE does not do this for you.
- 2. In the life-cycle hook ngonInit , instantiate bookForm with a new FormGroup . As a parameter, a FormGroup gets a configuration object with a "key":FormControl structure.
- 3. Add the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Book}}$ properties as keys in the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FormGroup}}$, and as value create a new $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FormControl}}$.

```
{ title: new FormControl() }
```

- title
- author
- o genre
- o reserved
- 4. To fill the genres in the fill, you can use the data below. This is a new property on NewBookComponent .

```
bookGenres: string[] = [
   'drama',
   'thriller',
   'crime',
   'fantasy'
];
```

Submit

1. Create a new method on the NewBookComponent which will handle the sending of the form. Give this method a fitting name.

- 2. For now, just print the .value of the form to the console. Later on we will send it to the backend.
- 3. To catch the submit-event of the form, put (ngSubmit) on <form> and connect it to the method you've created.
- 4. Try it out in the browser, also look what the value of the form is when you have not touched it or when you've cleared the fields.

Templates

form

```
<div class="card">
 <h3> New book </h3>
 <form novalidate>
    <div class="g--12">
     <div class="container">
       <label for="title" class="g--4 no-margin"> Title </label>
       <input type="text" id="title" class="g--8 no-margin">
     <!-- error message -->
    </div>
    <div class="g--12">
      <div class="container">
       <label for="author" class="q--4 no-margin"> Author </label>
       <input type="text" id="author" class="g--8 no-margin">
      </div>
      <!-- error message -->
    </div>
    <div class="g--12 container no-margin">
     <label for="genre" class="g--4"> Genre </label>
      <select id="genre" class="g--8">
       <option>drama</option>
       <option>thriller</option>
       <option>crime</option>
       <option>fantasy</option>
     </select>
    </div>
    <div class="g--12 container no-margin">
      <label for="reserved" class="g--4"> Reserved </label>
      <input type="checkbox" id="reserved"/>
   <button type="submit" class="btn--raised g--6 m--6 font-rem"> Add </button>
 </form>
</div>
```

Template

[formGroup], formControlName

- 1. Bind the property bookForm to <form> by using [formGroup] .
- 2. Connect the FormGroup -properties title, author, genre en reserved of bookForm to <input> -fields with formControlName.
- 3. To fill the select with <option> s for the genres , use the *ngFor directive. Start with a no value <option> with the text Pick a genre .

[value] & [ngValue]

For setting the value property on select you might want to use an Object instead of a string for the value of the option. But, when using []-binding on HTML Elements, you always bind a string value to the property. This means objects will be set as [object]object. Solution: [value] only works for string values. Is useful for simple data selections, like days, months or years. [ngValue] works with Objects and Arrays, and is necessary if you want to get a more complex result from the select.

html

html

Validations

The fields author and title need to be required, and luckily most books have those properties.

- 1. To make the fields required, the FormControl objects need a validator. You can pass in an array of validator s as a second parameter of FormControl. the first parameter is the initial value for the form, which can be '' for an empty field.
- 2. Show a message for every field which is not valid. Put the messages just below <!-- error message -->
- 3. Make the error messages in the template visible when a field is invalid and touched. Use a *structuralDirective to optionally show the element. To get the state of any field, you can use the following syntax in the template.

```
bookForm.get('title').hasError('required')
bookForm.get('title').invalid
bookForm.get('title').dirty
bookForm.get('title').touched
bookForm.get('title').pristine
```

4. As you might have noticed, there is a lot of duplication by getting the field from the form every time. This can be made more DRY by defining a <code>getter</code> on <code>NewBookComponent</code>.

new-book.component.ts

```
get title() {
  return this.bookForm.get('title');
}
```

new-book.component.html

```
<span *ngIf="title.invalid"></span>
```

error message

```
<span class="g--8 m--4 color--alizarin"></span>
```

Optional

- Form POST
- Template trigger
- · Bi-directional service
- price
- ngClass
- delete
- FormBuilder
- Nested FormGroup
- FormArray
- listeners
- Edit existing books
- custom validator

Form POST

To save the book on the server, we have to make an HTTP POST call to the backend with the new book. The book is validated on the server side for the presence of an author and a title, the other fields are optional. If the book is stored successfully, you will get the stored books with an ID as a response. Since communicating with the backend is the job for a service, we are going to add the POST to the Bookservice, and use that from NewBookComponent.

- 1. Create a store method on the Booksservice . Implement this method yourself, or use the template below. Give it the correct return type.
- 2. Inject the BooksService in the constructor of NewBookComponent .
- 3. In your method which handles the submit, check if the form is valid and emit the book to the parent if this check passes.
- 4. subscribe to the observable from the Bookservice, to execute the sequence and do the POST call.
- 5. In the success-handler, reset the bookForm so all values are cleared and the state is reset if the response is successful.

Error handling

The book server checks if the book has already been stored, by checking the title & author. If the book is already in the shop, it will return an error with code 422 and a message.

1. Show the message from the server in the UI when a book is added with the same title and author. Try to keep the httpErrorResponse class scoped in the service, this means that the component won't have knowledge of this class. To rethrow the error from the service so it will end up in the error handler of the component, you need the catchError & throwError operators. ```javascript import {catchError} from 'rxjs/operators'; import {throwError} from 'rxjs';

http.post() .pipe(catchError(error: HttpErrorResponse) => { // do some checking on the type of error. const customError = ... return throwError(customError); })

```
##### Updating the shelve
There are several ways to update the list of books when a book is added or deleted in the backend.
##### Trigger the AsyncPipe
If you have used the AsyncPipe, you can reassign the variable used in the template with a new call to `getBooks `.
```

```
The AsyncPipe will pick up the change, and execute the observable.
##### Bi directional service
With a [Bi-directional service](https://angular.io/guide/component-interaction#parent-and-children-communicate-
via-a-service) you manage the observable yourself, instead of directly listening for the http calls.
This is a very powerful mechanism, but requires you to unsubscribe from the observable yourself. This requires
some rebuilding and rethinking of the application.
#### price
1. Add an input field for `price`.
```javascript
<div class="g--12">
 <div class="container">
 <label for="price" class="g--4 no-margin"> Price </label>
 <input type="text" class="g--8 no-margin" id="price">
 </div>
 <!-- error message -->
</div>
```

1. The price has to conform to the format ###(.##), and no book is more expensive then 999.99. Validate the input for these cases and show an error message for the user. You can use the following regular expression if necessary. ^\d{1,3}([\.]\d{2})?\$

#### ngClass

Give the input fields a visual indication when they are invalid. The class <code>field-invalid</code> can be put on <code><input></code> to achieve this.

```
[ngClass]="{'className': boolVal}"
or
[class.CLASSNAME]="boolVal"
```

#### delete

Now that we can add books, it would also be nice to be able to remove a book. There is an endpoint available on <code>/book/:id</code> which handles http <code>DELETE</code> calls to delete a book from the server. The placeholder <code>:id</code> is meant for the ID of the book. This endpoint gives you an empty response with status code 204 when the deletion was successful.

When the book, with id 100004 for example, is not found, you will get the a 404 response with the following body

```
{ detail: `Book: 100004 could not be found`, deleted: false }
```

- 1. Create a method in BooksService that will execute the delete.
- 2. Add a button to the application which will eventually call the delete method in BooksService . Remember the responsibilities of the different components, and put the code in the right places.

```
<button class="g--12 btn--red color--white">Delete</button>
```

- 3. For now, you have to refresh to see the deleted book be removed from the screen. In a following optional assignment we will try to update the view automatically.
- 4. Show a message on screen if something went wrong with deleting the book. Try to delete the same book twice, to get the error message from the backend.

#### **FormBuilder**

Angular provides a FormBuilder service to remove some of the boilerplate code required with FormGroup / FormControl classes.

1. Rebuild the form in NewBookComponent to use the FormBuilder Service.

#### **Nested FormGroup**

It's also possible to nest FormGroups inside other FormGroup s. In our book example, you might want to store some meta information about a book, like the date it was added to the store or the ISBN identifier. With a nested FormGroup, you can combine the date and ISBN under a group. Currently, when you get the \_\_.value\_ of the bookForm, you'll get a response like:

```
{
 "title": "Application Design",
 "author": "0'rly",
 ...
}
```

With nested FormGroup s, the .value of bookForm could look like this:

```
{
 "title": "Application Design",
 "author": "0'rly",
 "meta": {
 "date": "1970-01-01",
 "ISBN": "1234"
 }
}
```

1. Add two new fields to the form in a nested FormGroup.

#### **FormArray**

The FormArray class makes is possible to create dynamic forms, where you can add or remove fields or FormGroups from the form. This is useful when you want to have a domain object with a property that can have multiple values. In our book-example, this could be the <code>genre</code>-field. There are many books that do not fit into one genre, but need te be categorized multiple.

1. Use FormArray to dynamically add multiple genres to a new book.

#### listeners

With .valuechanges and .statuschanges , which are properties of FormGroup and FormControl , you can listen for any new value or when the validation status of the field changes. By reacting to input changes it's easier te make something like an autocomplete field.

Listen for changes on the title -field using .valueChanges , and make a GET request on
 http://localhost:3004/book/exists/:title to see if the title already exists. The endpoint responds with an empty list when there are no matches, or a filled list with all book where the start of the title matches exactly as entered.

#### **Edit existing books**

The NewBookComponent could be reused to also support editing of existing books. What changes would you need to make to get NewBookComponent reusable for existing data?

1. Add support to edit existing books to NewBookComponent

#### custom validator

The validator s that are added to the FormControl s are just functions that return null when valid, or an error object when the field is invalid.

1. Write a custom validator for author, that checks if each word in the input is capitalized. Show an error to the user, telling them which word needs to be capitalized.

#### save template BooksService\*\*

```
save(book:Book): Observable<boolean> {
 return this.http
 .post('http://localhost:3004/store', book);
}
```

## Routing

At the moment the book form and the book list/detail are on the same page, which makes it more complex than necessary. In practice, these components would have their own pages, their own urls on which they can be reached. Angular has a powerful Routing mechanism which makes this possible.

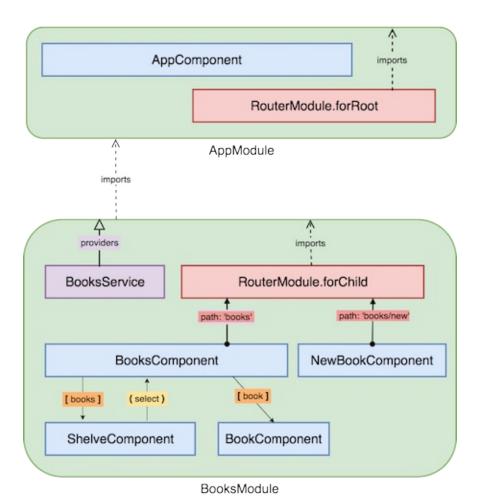
In this assignment we will add Routing to the application, and give NewBookComponent and BooksComponent their own urls. We will do this in 4 steps:

- Define the Routes for the BooksModules
- Define the Root Routes for the application
- · Add links to get to the new URL
- Add a fallback route to catch unknown URL's

## **Techniques**

- RouterModule
- .forRoot
- .forChild
- Route
- routerLink
- https://angular.io/tutorial/toh-pt5

## Tree diagram



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### app-routing.module.ts

- 1. Create a new file for the Root routing called app-routing.module.ts.
- 2. Create a variable called APP\_ROUTES and instantiate this with a new Route[].
- 3. Create a new Route in the array with an empty path '' and component to BookComponent
- 4. Export a variable AppRoutesModule: ModuleWithProviders and instantiate this with RouterModule.forRoot(APP\_ROUTES) .

#### RouterModule.forRoot()

With forRoot() an instance of the Router service is created. It is *important* that forRoot is used once in the entire application. The Root Module should be the only place where forRoot() is used.

- $\hbox{5. Import $\tt AppRoutesModule in $\tt AppModule $\tt and add this to the $\tt imports $\tt property of $\tt NgModule $\tt .}$
- 6. In the template of AppComponent , replace the tag <ibs-books></ibs-books> With <router-outlet></router-outlet> .

#### **BooksRoutes**

There are advantages to separate the routes per module, like adding lazy loading. Currently, Bookscomponent shows everything; the list of books, the selected book and adding a new book to the application. This component will be replaced in AppComponent by a <router-outlet>, which will put the right component in place based on the URL.

#### books-routing.module.ts

It's a best practice to define routes in their own module. When additional routing features are added like guards or the routing gets big, it keeps the code cleaner because it's separated.

- 1. Create a new file that will hold the routing configuration, called books-routing.module.ts . naming guidelines: routing
- 2. Create a const called BOOKS\_ROUTES and instantiate this with a new Route[].

```
const BOOKS_ROUTES: Route[] = [];
```

- 3. Create a new Route in the array with the properties path: 'books' and component: BooksComponent .
- 4. Create a Route for the NewBookComponent. The path for will be books/new.
- Export a variable BooksRoutes: ModuleWithProviders and instantiate this with RouterModule.forChild(BOOKS\_ROUTES)

#### RouterModule.forChild()

The forChild() method adds routes to an existing Router instance, which is created by forRoot(). forChild() is meant for Feature Modules, and add the benefit to be easily lazy loaded.

```
export const BooksRoutesModule: ModuleWithProviders = RouterModule.forChild(BOOKS_ROUTES)
```

- 6. In BooksModule, import BooksRoutesModule and add it to imports:[]. This registers the routes with the BooksModule. Because the BooksModule is imported by the AppModule, the routes are registered with the application.
- 7. Since the form is now shown in it's own page, it can be removed from the template of Bookscomponent.
- 8. To make it al look a bit nicer, replace the class card g--10 m--1 with card g--12 in the template of NewBookComponent.

#### Change in app-routing.module.ts

We still have a route definition to BooksComponent in the routing for the AppModule . Since the FeatureModule now has it's own definition, we can remove this configuration from AppModule .

- 1. Remove the reference to BooksModule from app-routing.module.ts
- 2. Change the route configuration to the definition below, and set the redirectTo property to the route of BooksComponent.

```
<Route>{ path: '', pathMatch: 'full', redirectTo: '' }
redirectTo
```

Because we want to immediately redirect to books when we hit the landing page, we make use of the redirect property. A different scenario would be a landing page, like Homecomponent, where the user sees relevant information.

#### routerLink

To make the components reachable for the user form the interface, there need to be links in the application to the Route s. Angular provides the routerLink directive for this use.

1. Use the template below for the navigation bar in the application. You can put it below the placeholder <!-- start NavigationBar --> in the template of AppComponent .

- 2. Add the directive routerLink="" to the a -tags.
- 3. Connect the routerLink s to the paths defined in books-routing.module.ts . Remember that the path's in routerLink directives are always relative.

```
paths starting with /
```

When a path in a <code>routerLink</code> starts with a <code>/</code> , then this path is interpreted as absolute. This means that angular starts with the Root Module to find the <code>route</code>.

4. Check in the browser if the right components are loaded when using the links in the navigation bar.

### '404'

It's possible that a user enters a url that is not registered in the application. In this case, the user should get an error message and maybe an option to go to an existing page. To make this happen, we'll create a NotFoundComponent, declare it with the RootModule and add a route configuration to handle this scenario.

## NotFoundComponent

1. Use the Angular CLI to generate a component, or create it manually if you like the practice.

```
npx ng g c not-found -m app
```

- 2. Show an error message to the user
- 3. add an link to navigate to a valid page. In this case we'll navigate to the url '/', aka the landing url.

## **Route configuration**

To catch all the routes that are not registered in the Angular application, a special path is available: \*\* . This path needs to be the last entry of the entire route configuration for the application.

1. Add the following route configuration to the root routing module:

```
{ path: '**', component: NotFoundComponent }
```

2. Make sure that the import of AppRoutes in app.module is after the import of the BooksModule .

try it out Put the AppRoutes before the BooksModule in the imports. what happens if you try to go to /books? Have a look at the Augury plugin to see if you can figure out why.

### **Optional**

#### Children

There are now 2 paths defined in the book routes, that both start with \( \triangle books \). This can be reduced so it reduces the noise and makes it easier to maintain.

#### **Child routes**

- 1. In books-routing.module.ts , create a new Route with just the properties path and children . It's not required to always route to a component .
- 2. Set the path property to books . This is the path which will be prefixed for all child -routes.
- 3. Move the Route s of BooksComponent and NewBookComponent to the children -array of the new Route .
- 4. Remove books/ from the path 's of BooksComponent and NewBookComponent .
- 5. Check the browser to see if everything still works with the new configuration.

#### routerLinkActive

The routerLinkActive directive adds classes to elements based on the active route. They need to be defined on the same element as routerLink, or a parent element.

- 1. Add routerLinkActive to the divs surrounding the links in the navigation bar. The class bg--river can be used to style the link, when the router is active.
- 2. Check the browser to see what happens when you navigate to both components. Can you explain why both links are 'active' when the NewBooksComponent is on screen? You can make use of routerLinkActiveOptions to keep this from happening. Have a look at the documentation for a detailed guide.

#### **Parameters**

It's also possible to define routes with parameters. For practice we'll make a page that will show the details of 1 book. There is an endpoint available on localhost:3004/book/:id where you can get a book by their ID.

- 1. In Booksservice, create a method to get a book by id. Use getBooks as an example on how to do a GET call.
- 2. If you have not yet made a separate component for a single book book.component.ts , do this now.

In order to reuse the Presentation Component Bookcomponent, we need a new Business Component that will read the URL for the book id, fetches the book from the Bookservice and pass it into Bookcomponent.

- 1. Create a new Component that will read the URL and fetches the book via the service. Try to think of a good name.
- 2. Inject ActivatedRoute and BooksService in the constructor of your new Component.
- 3. See presentation 5.Routing, slide 18 to see the possible ways to interact with ActivatedRoute. Which one do you choose?
- 4. Use the id from the URL to call the method in BooksService.
- 5. Use the async -pipe to pass the book into BookComponent .

#### books-routing.module.ts

1. Create a new Route with a path parameter /:id and connect it to the newly made Component.

### **Navigate with Router**

When someone clicks a book in the list, we are going to redirect them to the new detail page.

- 1. Remove ibs-book from the template BooksComponent, it will now be shown in it's own page.
- 2. Inject the Router -service in BooksComponent .
- 3. When the user selects a book, selectBook is called via the (event) binding.

## Libraries

There are a lot of useful libraries available on NPM, which will speed up the development of your application. A few of the most popular types of library add UI components like tables or datepickers, or highly optimized functions like lodash.

In this assignment we will add a table to the application from the Angular Material library.

We will make a new module called 'backoffice', that will show the book inventory in a table and is available on its own url.

## **Techniques**

- adding a library to the application
- importing functionality from a library
- using library documentation & examples

## **Angular Material Component Developer Kit (CDK)**

The CDK provides un-opinionated components to be used by the application. The main goal of the CDK is add very general functionality, which can easily be customized by the developers.

- CDK table
- · CDK table api

## **Angular CDK table**

To use the CDK table in the application the following steps are needed . install packages & dependencies from npm . create the feature module . import the necessary packages modules into the feature module. . use the table following the documentation

#### Install packages from npm

#### manual

Most libraries have an installation guide that tells you what to install. Below are the commands that you need to execute

npm install --save @angular/material @angular/cdk

#### angular cli

you can use the following command to add libraries to the project using the CLI, and configure the app automatically.

npx ng add @angular/material

@angular/material to work.

This will add the necessary dependency <code>@angular/cdk</code> automatically to <code>package.json</code>, and installs them.

Furthermore, <code>app.module</code> will be updated with the <code>BrowserAnimationsModule</code> added to the imports. This is required for

#### Create the feature module

. Generate backoffice module and import it into the root module

ng g m backoffice

. Generate inventory component

ng g c backoffice/inventory

. create backoffice routing module with a route to the InventoryComponent

ng g m backoffice/backoffice-routing -m backoffice

- . Add a routerLink to the navigation bar in AppComponent .
- . Check if it works

#### Import library modules

An example for using the CdkTableModule is provided by google. In this assignment you will use the example as a starting point, and tailor it for the inventory component.

. import cdkTableModule into backoffice module

- . copy the template into the inventory template
- . copy the css into the inventory template

#### Using the library components

check out the component from the example.

Follow the steps below to rebuild it to work with our book service.

#### Supply template variables.

First we need to provide the variables that are required in the template:

- displayedColumns
- datasource

#### displayedColumns

create the property <code>displayedColumns</code> fill with book properties: id, title, author, price. in the template, update the value of <code>cdkColumnDef</code> for each column to match the <code>displayedColumns</code>.

#### datasource

the datasource is a layer between the table and the data provider, which is the bookservice in our case.

- . create a new file called books.datasource.ts in the backoffice -folder. export a new class, and have it extend DataSource from '@angular/cdk/collections'.
- . implement the constructor with a call to super(), and the methods connect/disconnect. connects returns an <code>observable<Book[]></code>
- . add a parameter of type BookService to the constructor. return getBooks() in the connect() method.

Why not provide the Datasource as a service?

the datasource is not a service, since we might want multiple instances of it and it helps with testability of the class. However, this means we do not have injection available and have to provide any constructor parameters by hand.

- . Add the property datasource to InventoryComponent .
- . inject the bookService in the constructor of InventoryComponent
- . in ngOnInit, create a new BooksDatasource instance and assign it to the dataSource property.

## **Material design**

The material design table offers a lot of features you can use in the inventory component. And the material design library offers also other components that you can use in your own applications.

#### **BrowserAnimationModule**

1. Add the BrowserAnimationModule to the AppModule . You are going to need it later, because some of @angular/material's components have built in animations.

#### **Material table features**

Add extra features to your table. Use the documentation to find out how.

- 1. Make the table sortable by clicking on a table header.
- 2. Add pagination to the table.

#### Material design components

Have a look at all the components that are available in the material design library, and see how you can use them in our application. For example:

- 1. Use Material Design buttons instead of the buttons we use now.
- 2. Use Material Design form controls in the form for creating new books.
- 3. Import a theme to customize the look and feel of the application.
- 4. Have a look at layout, navigation, popups and progress spinners and use your imagination to make the application even more beautiful.

## **Optionals**

### Lazy loading

The size of the application has gotten bigger by adding functionality and imported that into the RootModule . By splitting the application by URL and lazily load the modules, you can improve the initial load time by many factors.

. Add lazy loading for the books and backoffice modules. Follow the documentation

things to note Injecting bookservice works at the moment without providing it on the backoffice module. Why is this?

When you've added lazy loading to both books and backoffice modules, what happens now when you check it in the browser?

See limited provider scope for an explanation. more info:

- Prevent reimport of the CoreModule
- Bad practices

. Restructure the application with a <code>coreModule</code> . What other module that is imported into <code>BooksModule</code> can be moved to the <code>coreModule</code>?

### **RxJS**

RxJS is a Javascript library that implements the Reactive Extensions pattern. Other languages like Java, C#, Python and others also have libraries that implement this pattern, that are more or less similar to RxJS. A key difference is in the naming of some of the operators, but the underlying principle is the sam.e

When you get a grip with RxJS, the other implementations are easy to pick up.

#### Install packages from npm

Angular requires RxJS, because it is used to communicate internally and a lot of public API parts use RxJS as the facade to which you can connect. No further installation is needed.

#### **Best practices**

RxJS best practices

#### Operators & .pipe()

One of the strengths of RxJS are the 120+ operators, which take away a lot of boilerplate to handle the common tasks. A few of the most common are:

- map()
- filter()
- tap()

## **Techniques**

- Operators
- Combining operators

#### Information

#### **Operators**

Operators are methods that do 1 thing to the Observable, or the value that is going through the sequence. These operators can be split into 2 types:

- Creation operators
- Pipeable operators

#### **Creation operators**

Creation operators create a new Observable from non-observable values.

- of
- ErrorObservable.create
- fromPromise
- fromEvent

### **Pipeable operators**

Pipeable operators are passed into the pipe() function, and can change the value or direct the observable sequence.

- map
- filter
- concatmap / mergeMap / forkJoin
- share

### concatmap / mergeMap / forkJoin

https://medium.com/@tomastrajan/practical-rxjs-in-the-wild-requests-with-concatmap-vs-mergemap-vs-forkjoin-11e5b2efe293

#### share

 $https://medium.com/@\_achou/rxswift-share-vs-replay-vs-sharereplay-bea99ac42168$ 

### Route Parameter Observable.

It's also possible to define routes with parameters. For practice we'll make a page that will show the details of 1 book. There is an endpoint available on localhost:3004/book/:id where you can get a book by their ID.

- 1. In Booksservice, create a method to get a book by id. Use getBooks as an example on how to do a GET call.
- 2. If you have not yet made a separate component for a single book book.component.ts , do this now.

In order to reuse the Presentation Component Bookcomponent , we need a new Business Component that will read the URL for the book id, fetches the book from the BookService and pass it into Bookcomponent .

- 1. Create a new Component that will read the URL and fetches the book via the service. Try to think of a good name.
- 2. Inject ActivatedRoute and BooksService in the constructor of your new Component.
- 3. See presentation 5.Routing , slide 18 to see the possible ways to interact with ActivatedRoute . Which one do you choose?
- 4. Use the id from the URL to call the method in BooksService .
- 5. Use the async -pipe to pass the book into BookComponent .

## **Drag** 'n Drop

A drag and drop is a feature that can be very complex, but is made easier by using a few RxJS features.

We will make a feature where you can reorder the shelve by dragging and dropping the rows.

### Note - Advanced assignment

Implementing this feature requires more than only RxJS, because you need interaction with the DOM and HTMLElement properties. For convenience, at the bottom of the page you can find the methods you can copy/paste and use for the non RxJS functionality. However, if you like the challenge you can implement it yourself.

### **Techniques**

- Angular Template reference variable & @ViewChildren
- RxJS multiple operators and tie ins with Angular and DOM
- DOM HTMLElement and style properties.

### **Steps**

#### **HTML & Styling**

- 1. add reorder element to shelve LI <>
- 2. change button class g--12 to g--11 to make it look better

#### get reorder elements into typescript class

- 1. add #draggable to in html
- 2. Get a reference to the #draggable s into the TypeScript class by using @viewChildren

```
@ViewChildren('draggable') bookButtons: QueryList<ElementRef>
```

Properties that are decorated with @ViewChildren, are available in the afterViewInit lifecycle method. But in our case, the buttons are only added to the view when the call to the backend has returned. Luckily, the bookButtons property provides an Observable for this: .changes . The next handler will be called any time an update to the DOM has happened that touches what you're listening for. In our case, when an element with the #draggable template variable is added or removed.

1. print each button to the console in the right life cycle hook.

```
this.bookButtons.changes
.subscribe((queryList: QueryList<ElementRef>) => {
 queryList.forEach((draggable: ElementRef) => console.log(draggable))
});
```

#### add drag and drop to each element

A way to think about Reactive programming is by creating a small story about what needs to happen: when the mousedown event is triggered, get the clientX & clientY from the mousedown event then ONLY LISTEN FOR mousemove event s. every mousemove should: ALSO not do the default, and TRANSFORM the mouse event to an object with the new position of the element. UNTIL the mouseup event has been triggered. ALSO the mouseup event should drop the element to the new position in the DOM

In this story there are 3 events defined: <code>mousedown</code> , <code>mousemove</code> and <code>mouseup</code> . These are the Observables we need to combine. The capitalized words in the story correspond to an Observable operator, in a sense.

#### implementation

The element we need to reorder is the , but the element we click on is the <span>.

- get a reference to the parent 'li' element using and assign it to a variable. draggableSpan.nativeElement.closest('li');
- 2. create 3 observables with 'fromEvent'
- 3. 'mousedown' on draggable -> the element we want to move (li)
- 4. 'mousemove' on document -> the position of the cursor on the document
- 5. 'mouseup' on document -> anywhere the user let's go off the button on the document
- 6. We are going to start with the 'mouseDown' observable, since this is where the user starts the event. use .pipe to add the mergeMap operator. This corresponds to the only LISTON FOR part of the story.

```
mergeMap operator we use this operator because we want to merge the events from mousedown with mousemove events. other operators we could have chosen are concatMap and switchMap see this link for an explanation.
```

- 7. in the mergeMap operator, pass in an 'arrow' function that returns the mousemove observable. This is all that is needed to connect the 2 observables. However, we need to use data from the mousedown and transform the data from mousemove to something we can use.
- 8. Use ({ clientx: startx, clienty: starty }) as a parameter to the arrow function in mergeMap . This will get the properties clientx and clienty from the mousedown -event, and put them in the variables startx and starty .

Now, what happens by default, is that the browser wants to select text when you hold the mousedown and move it. We want to prevent this, but we do *not* want to change the observable data. This is what we can achieve with the tap -operator, and preventDefault() from the event.

1. Add pipe() to the mousemove observable, and add the tap operator to handle the ALSO part in the story. the parameter for the arrow function is the MouseMove event, that has the method preventDefault()

Next, we need to transform the MouseMove event to a simple object that has the new position for the element we are moving.

1. add map() to the pipeline of mousemove (after tap). The parameter for the arrow function is the MouseMove event. use the following code to get the new location of the element we are dragging:

```
{
 left: e.clientX - startX,
 top: e.clientY - startY
}
```

Lastly, we want to stop listening when the user lets go of the mousebutton, which is represented by the mouseup - observable.

1. add takeUntil to the pipeline, and pass in the mouseup observable. This will stop the observable when the observable is triggered.

All these steps will have created 1 new Observable sequence, which will drag the element with the cursor. We still need to subscribe to this observable to execute it, and update the position of the element we are dragging.

1. Assign the sequence we just built to a new variable, mousedrag.

```
const mousedrag = mousedown.pipe(...);
```

2. subscribe to mousedrag, and in the next handler update the position of the element.

To make the element change position in the list, we need to add a pipeline to the mouseup observable. This will have a side effect that the position of the element in the DOM is updated to where the mouse is.

1. Add pipe() to mouseup, and add tap to handle the side effect. you can use the code below, or try and write your own.

## **Helper methods**

```
^{\ast} drop the element in the dom on the current cursor position.
 private drop(x: number, y: number, draggable: any) {
 const el = this.getDrop(x, y);
 const parent = el.closest('li');
 if (parent) {
 const position = this.placeBeforeOrAfter(parent, draggable);
 parent.insertAdjacentElement(position, draggable);
 draggable.style = 'none'; // reset position
 * Determines if the element should be placed before or after the current element.
 * This is based off the y value. If the current element is above the dragged element, it should be placed a
bove the current.
 private placeBeforeOrAfter(parent, draggable) {
 return parent.getBoundingClientRect().top > draggable.getBoundingClientRect().top
 ? 'afterend'
 : 'beforebegin';
 ^{\star} Gets the 3rd element from any given x, y position.
 * in our application context, this will be the `li` where the user is hovering on.
 private getDrop(x: number, y: number) {
 return document.elementsFromPoint(x, y)[3];
```

# Optional

### import syntax

Import anything that is exported from a TypeScript file.

```
import { Book } from '../path/to/component'
```

### Component

A TypeScript class and a template that controls a part of the screen.

## @Component

<code>@component</code> is a Decorator, but works like a function, from <code>@angular/core</code> and has a configuration object as a parameter { } .

The most commonly used are below, and a complete list can be found here.

## Lifecycle hooks

Lifecycle hooks are called by Angular during different sections of the application cycle

Angular calls the following hooks in this order:

```
* ngOnChanges - called when any input or output binding changes
* ngOnInit - after the first ngOnChanges
* ngDoCheck - hook for custom Change Detection.
* ngAfterContentInit - After the component has been initialised
* ngAfterContentChecked - After every component content check.
* ngAfterViewInit - After component view(s) have been initialised.
* ngAfterViewChecked - After each component view(s) check.
* ngOnDestroy - Right before a @Directive is being destroyed.
```

## interpolation

Showing a property in the template with Angular's template syntax.

```
{{ componentProperty }}
```

## **Pipe**

Change how the interpolated property is outputted in the template.

```
{{ | pipeName }}
```

#### event

Call a method from the template on the TypeScript class

```
<button (click)="handleClick($event)">Click!</button>
```

### Structural directive

These directives changes the DOM structure and can be recognized by the \*.

# ngFor

Loop over an iterable and repeat the element that the directive is put upon.

Angular documentation

```
<div *ngFor="let item of items"></div>
```

## nglf

Conditionally show an element based on the truthy/falsy.

```
<div *ngIf="evalToBoolean"></div>
```

## nglf / else

Show a different element when the resolved property is false.

```
<div *ngIf="evalToBoolean; else #loading"></div>
<ng-template #loading>Loading</ng-template>
```

### **Elvis**

The Elvis operator is a falsy-check which can be used in templates.

```
 {{ undefinedProperty.name }} // will give an error
```

## template reference variable

A reference to an element in the template. Can be given to the component.

```
<!-- #localVariable = HTML element -->
<div #localVariable (click)="clicked(localVariable)"></div>
<!-- #localVariable = NgControl element -->
<input ngControl="" #localVariable="ngForm">
```

### \$event

Pseudo variable that contains the value from the event.

All methods that are connected like (click)="doAction(\$event)" will automatically get the parameter \$event filled by Angular This helps with encapsulation, because you don't need to know the name of the parameter from the event.

## @ViewChild()

Decorator to get an element from the template into a template class. The decorated property is callable in ngAfterViewInit.

## @ViewChildren()

Decorator to get a List of elements from the template into a template class. The decorated property is callable in ngAfterViewInit.

### Service

A service in the Angular context is an injectable class which is responsible for doing the work. It has no UserInterface dependencies.

## providers

With this you can provide an instance of a Service to the entire application. Make sure you only have the service defined in 1 array, to ensure they are Singleton's.

```
providers: [MyService]
```

## **AsyncPipe**

With the async -pipe from Angular it's easier to manage simple Observables. This pipe also ensures that components are unregistered from the sequence when the component is destroyed.

### operators

Observable operators must be imported from 'rxjs/operators' to use them.

Thanks to the Angular CLI this duplication will be removed when making a production build, so the payload will be as small as possible. Because of the size of number of operators which cover many use cases, it's better to import the ones you need for the application you are building.

### **Route**

Couples an url to a component, or aggregate components under a single path.

```
Route: {
 path?: string;
 component?: Type | string;
 redirectTo?: string;
 children?: Route[];
 pathMatch?: string;

 outlet?: string;

 canActivate?: any[];
 canActivateChild?: any[];
 canDeactivate?: any[];
 canLoad?: any[];
 data?: Data;
 resolve?: ResolveData;

 loadChildren?: string;
}
```