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Directives Deep Dive

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Directives

- „Components without Templates“
- Add behavior to an element
- Examples: ngModel, ngClass, ngStyle

Attribute Directives



Case Study

```
<button appClickWithWarning>Delete</button>
```

Simple Example

```
@Directive({  
  selector: '[appClickWithWarning]'  
})  
export class ClickWithWarningDirective implements OnInit {  
  
  constructor(private elementRef: ElementRef) { }  
  
  ngOnInit(): void {  
    this.elementRef  
      .nativeElement.setAttribute('class', 'btn btn-danger');  
  }  
}
```

Calling a Directive

```
<button appClickWithWarning>Delete</button>
```



Host-Element

Bindings

```
@Directive({  
  selector: '[appClickWithWarning]'  
})  
export class ClickWithWarningDirective implements OnInit {  
  
  @Input() warning = 'Are you sure?';  
  @Output() appClickWithWarning = new EventEmitter();  
  
}
```


Bindings

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@Directive({
  selector: '[appClickWithWarning]'
})
export class ClickWithWarningDirective implements OnInit {

  @Input() warning = 'Are you sure?';
  @Output() appClickWithWarning = new EventEmitter();

  @HostBinding('class') classBinding = 'btn btn-danger';

}
```

Bindings

```
@Directive({
  selector: '[appClickWithWarning]'
})
export class ClickWithWarningDirective implements OnInit {

  @Input() warning = 'Are you sure?';
  @Output() appClickWithWarning = new EventEmitter();

  @HostBinding('class') classBinding = 'btn btn-danger';

  @HostListener('click', ['$event'])
  handleClick($event: MouseEvent): void { ... }

}
```

Calling the Directive

```
<button (appClickWithWarning)="delete()" message="Sure?">Delete</button>
```

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Templates and ViewContainers



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Example: Tooltip

```
|<input [appTooltip]="tmp1"> | ← - ViewContainer
```

```
<ng-template #tmp1>  
  <h3>2 Tips for Success</h3>  
  <ol>  
    <li>Don't tell everything!</li>  
  </ol>  
</ng-template>
```

Implementation

```
@Directive({
  selector: '[appTooltip]'
})
export class TooltipDirective implements OnInit {

  @Input('appTooltip') template: TemplateRef<unknown>;

  constructor(private viewContainer: ViewContainerRef) { }

  ngOnInit(): void {
    this.viewContainer.createEmbeddedView(this.template);
  }

}
```

Implementation

```
export class TooltipDirective implements OnInit {  
  
    private viewRef: EmbeddedViewRef<unknown>;  
    @Input('appTooltip') template: TemplateRef<unknown>;  
  
    constructor(private viewContainer: ViewContainerRef) { }  
  
    ngOnInit(): void {  
        this.viewRef = this.viewContainer.createEmbeddedView(this.template);  
        [...]  
    }  
}
```


Iterate over Projected Root Nodes

```
this.viewRef.rootNodes.forEach(nativeElement => {  
  nativeElement.hidden = true;  
});
```

```
<input [appTooltip]="tmp1">  
  
<ng-template #tmp1>  
  <h3>2 Tips for Success</h3>  
  <ol>  
    <li>Don't tell everything!</li>  
  </ol>  
</ng-template>
```

Mouse-Events

```
@HostListener('mouseover')  
mouseOver(): void {  
    [...]  
}
```

```
@HostListener('mouseout')  
mouseOut(): void {  
    [...]  
}
```

Passing Parameters to Templates

```
this.viewContainer.createEmbeddedView(this.template, {  
  $implicit: 'Tooltip!',  
  helpLink: 'http://www.google.com'  
});
```

← Context

Using Parameters in Template

```
<ng-template #tmp1 let-title let-link="helpLink">  
  <h3>{{title}}</h3>  
  
  <p>  
    Deletes EVERYTHING!  
  </p>  
  
  <a [href]="link">More</a>  
  
</ng-template>
```

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Adding Templates and Components on the Fly



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ViewContainer

- `createEmbeddedView`
- `createComponent`

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TemplateOutletDirective

Insert Template in Placeholder

```
<div *templateOutlet="tpl"></div>  
<ng-template #tpl>Hallo Welt!</ng-template>
```

ComponentOutletDirective

Insert Component in Placeholder

```
<div *componentOutlet="FlightSearchComponent"></div>
```

ContentChildren

- **@ContentChildren(MyComponentOrDirective, { read: ElementRef | ViewContainerRef })**
- Same for @ContentChild, @ViewChildren, @ViewChild

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Structural Directives



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Structural Directive

Micro Syntax

```
<div *ngFor="let f of flights; index as i">  
  <pre>{{i}}: {{ f | json }}</pre>  
</div>
```

Template

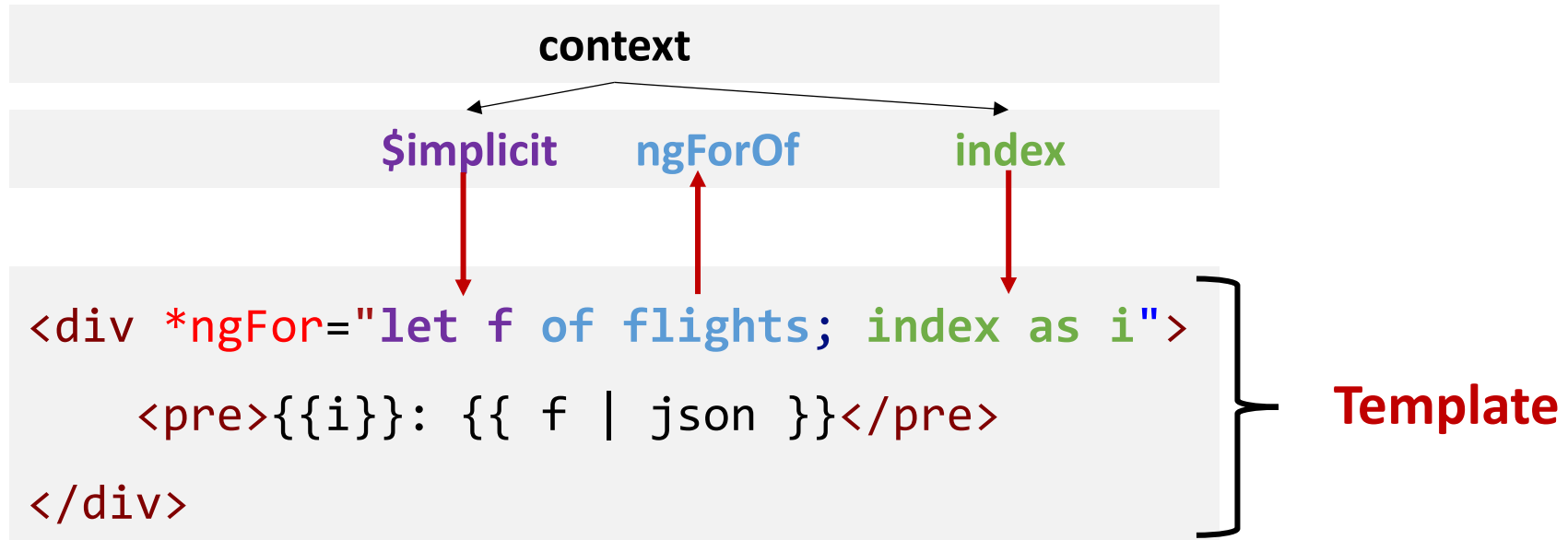
Structural Directive

ngFor Implementation

```
<div *ngFor="let f of flights; index as i">  
  <pre>{{i}}: {{ f | json }}</pre>  
</div>
```

Template

Structural Directive



Syntax Sugar

```
<div *ngFor="let f of flights; index as i">  
  <pre>{{i}}: {{ f | json }}</pre>  
</div>
```

```
<ng-template ngFor let-f [ngForOf]="flights" let-i="index">  
  <div>  
    <pre>{{i}}: {{ f | json }}</pre>  
  </div>  
</ng-template>
```

Case Study #2: DataTable

Upcoming Flights

1	Hamburg	Berlin	01.02.2025 17:00
2	Hamburg	Frankfurt	01.02.2025 17:30
3	Hamburg	Mallorca	01.02.2025 17:45

DataTable

```
<app-data-table [data]="flights">
  <div *appTableField="let data as 'id'">{{data}}</div>
  <div *appTableField="let data as 'from'">{{data}}</div>
  <div *appTableField="let data as 'to'">{{data}}</div>
  <div *appTableField="let data as 'date'">
    {{data | date:'dd.MM.yyyy HH:mm'}}
  </div>
</app-data-table>
```

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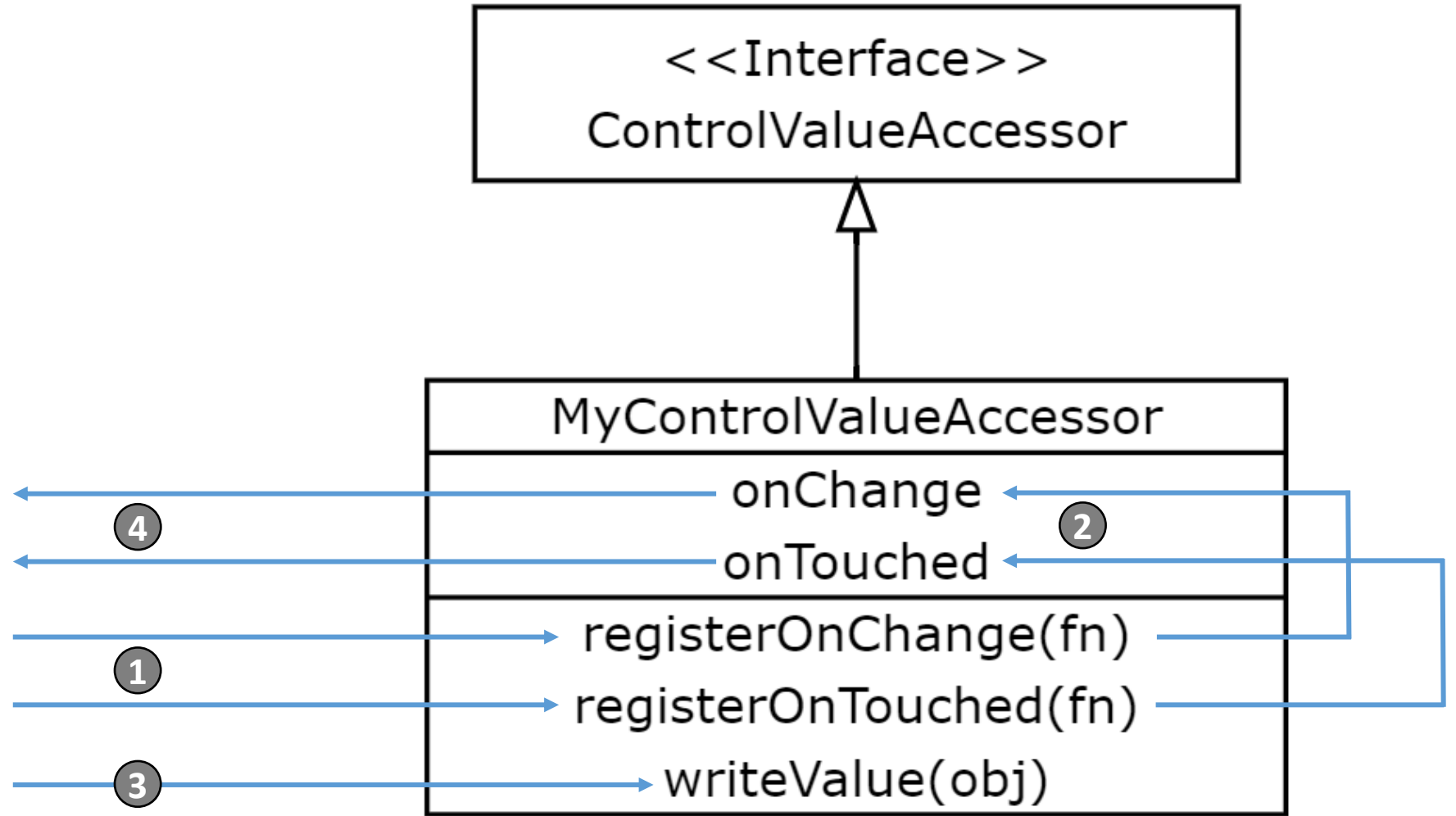
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Summary

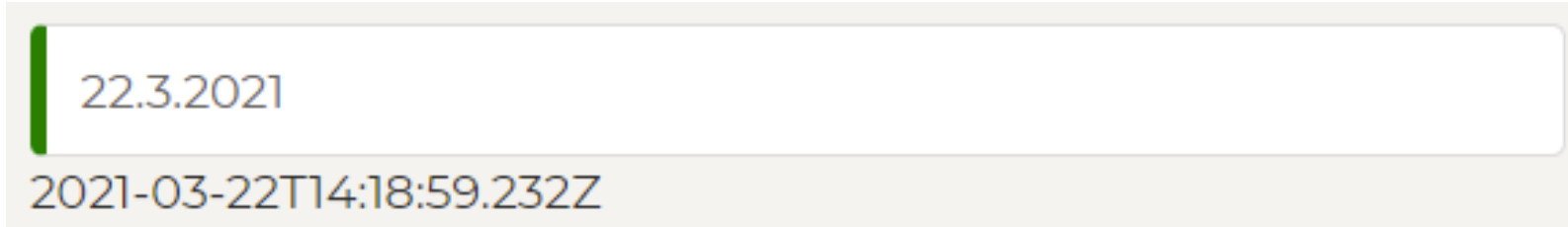
- Attribute Directive with Input, Output, HostBinding, HostListener
- ElementRef, TemplateRef, ViewContainerRef
- *ngComponentOutlet, *ngTemplateOutlet
- Strukturelle Direktive: Template + Micro Syntax

Custom Form Controls with Control Value Accessors





Case Study #3: Formatting/Parsing Dates

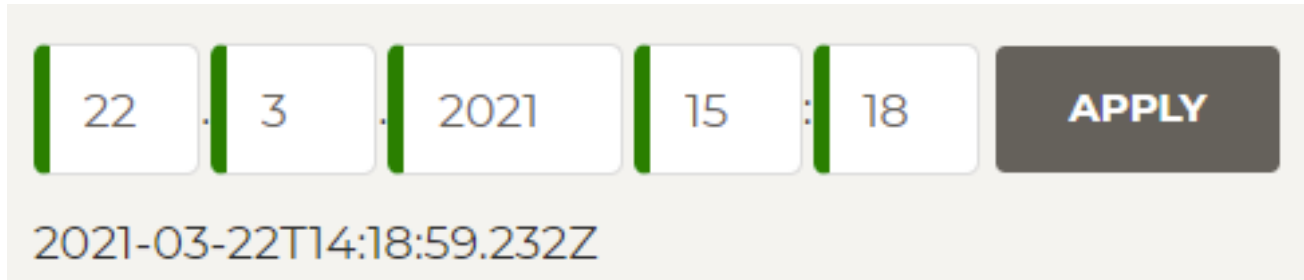


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```
<input [(ngModel)]="date" appDate name="date">
```

Case Study #3a: DateControl



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```
<app-date [(ngModel)]="date"></app-date>
```