Single Page Apps

Rich clients, modern websites and AngularJS

First things first

A lot of learning

Hand-holding was forbidden

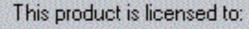
You will need to learn and research on your own

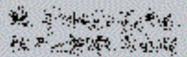
Stack Overflow is your friend

Web 101

Thick / Thin Client Cycle







Microsoft Word

Version 6.0

Copyright© 1983-1993 Microsoft Corporation

This program is protected by US and international copyright laws as described in Help About.





Personalize

Yahoo! Auctions Pokemon, Beanies



Yahoo! Mail free email for life

advanced search Search

Yahoo! Shopping - Apparel, Computers, Videos, DVDs, CDs, Toys, Electronics and more

Shopping - Auctions - Yellow Pages - People Search - Maps - Travel - Classifieds - Personals - Games - Chat - Clubs Mail - Calendar - Messenger - Companion - My Yahoo! - News - Sports - Weather - TV - Stock Quotes - more ...

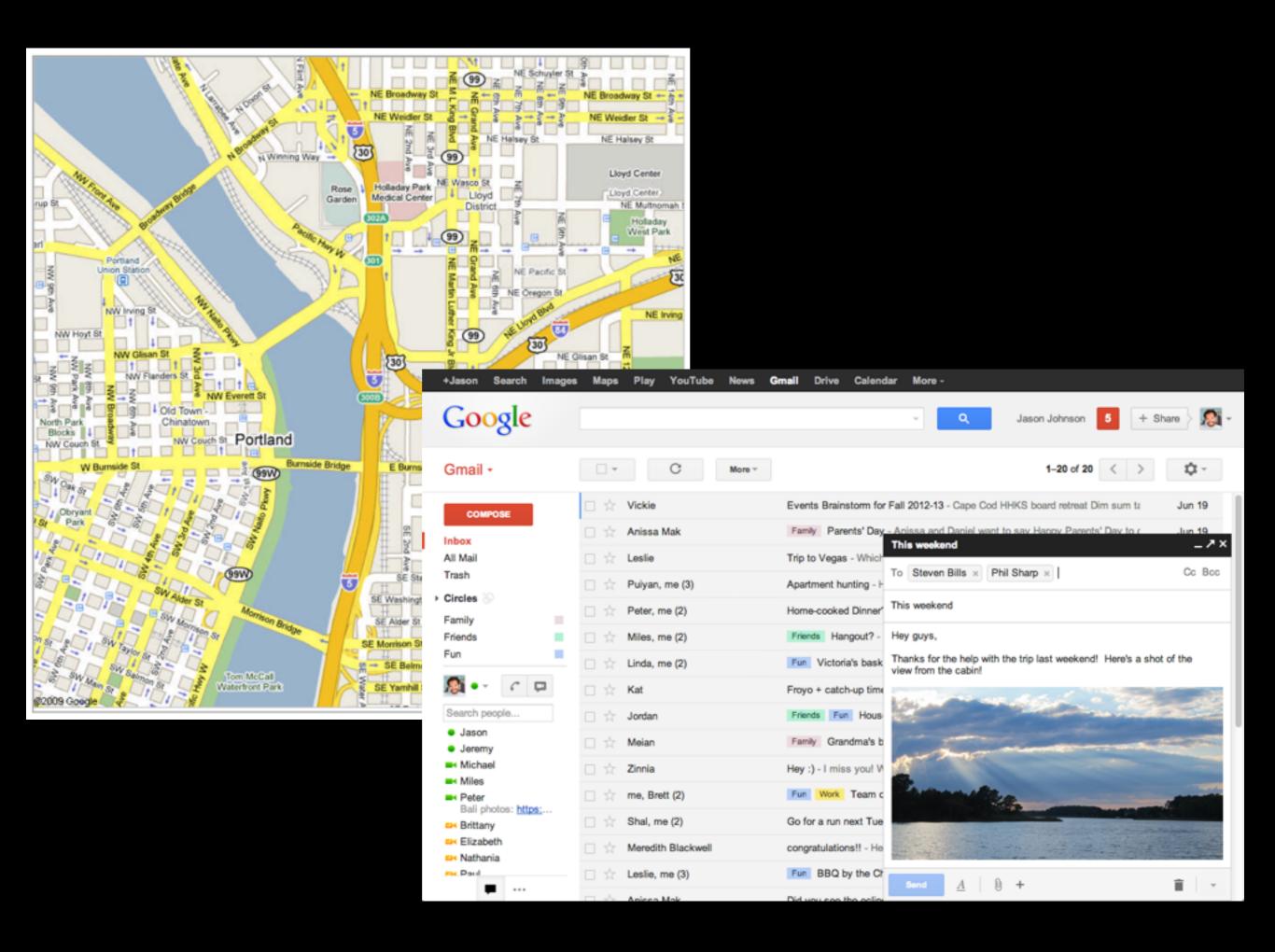


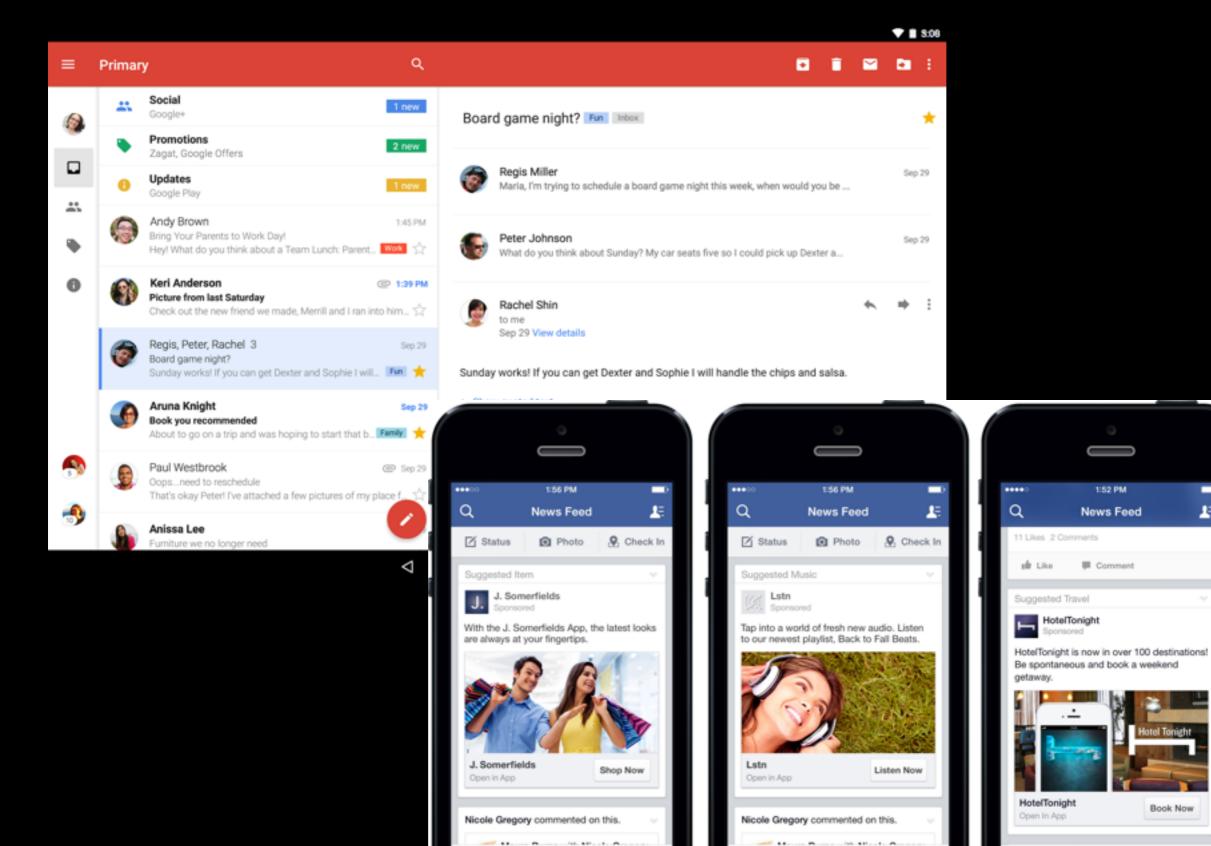
your e-mail

Subscribe

Copyright @1997-8 Stanford University

Archive





ij.

Single Page Apps (SPA)

Rendering is done on the client side

No refresh/reload

Which is cool but comes with a price

Data communication is done via AJAX

A lot of hard problems are now client-side

Client side SPA history

Vanilla JavaScript

Suddenly, JS was a real language

jQuery

MVC start - Backbone





Awesome MVC



Angular Introduction

Binding Magic

Strict components

And stuff all MVC frameworks provide

Breakdown of demo

<div>{{ myModel.text }}</div>

<input type=text ng-model="myModel.text">

Where's myModel defined?

```
angular.module('exampleApp')
.controller('ExampleCtrl',
function($scope) {
    $scope.myModel = {
        text: 'Initial text value'
    };
});
```

Model View Whatever

Todo List Web App

Data Model

```
angular.module('todoApp').controller('TodoCtrl',
function($scope) {
  $scope.todos = [
       task: 'Buy milk',
       done: false
    },
       task: 'Learn Angular',
       done: false
    },
       task: 'Record Game of Thrones',
       done: false
```

Displaying a list

```
     <!i ng-repeat="todo in todos">
          {{ todo.task }}
```

Adding a todo

Adding a todo

```
$scope.addTodo = function() {
    $scope.todos.push({
        task: $scope.newTodo.task,
        done: false
    });
    $scope.newTodo = {task: ''};
};
```

Marking as done

Hiding done todos

Many more directives

- ng-class
- ng-if
- ng-change
- ng-src
- ng-href
- etc. etc.
- Google is your friend!

Services

Good design

break things to smaller pieces

Can't put all logic in controllers

Services are plain objects that can be injected

```
angular.module('todoApp').factory('TodoRepository', function() {
    return {
        getAllTodos: function() {
            return
                {task: 'Buy milk', done: false},
                {task: 'Learn Angular', done: false},
                {task: 'Record Game of Thrones', done: false}
           ];
    };
angular.module('todoApp').controller('TodoCtrl',
function($scope, TodoRepository) {
    $scope.todos = TodoRepository.getAllTodos();
```

Async 101

Server data is always fetched asynchronously

Angular uses the **Promise** design pattern for handling async code

Promises objects are returned from async functions

A promise will, sometime later, either **resolve** or be **rejected**

```
var aPromise = doSomethingAsync();
aPromise.then(
    function(successValue) {
        console.log('Called on success');
    },
    function(rejectionReason) {
        console.log('Called on errors');
    }
};
```

```
angular.module('todoApp').controller('TodoCtrl',
function($scope, TodoRepository) {
    TodoRepository.getAllTodos().then(
        function(todos) {
          $scope.todos = todos;
      }
    );
});
```

Promises

- promise.then(successCallback, errorCallback);
- promise.then(successCallback);
- promise.then(null, errorCallback);
- promise.catch(errorCallback);
- promise.finally(callback);

Promises are chainable

```
somePromise.then(
    function(promiseResult) {
        return 'The value is ' + promiseResult;
    }
).then(
    function(currentResult) {
        // Here currentResult === 'The value is ...'
    }
);
```

And nestable

```
somePromise.then(
    function(promiseResult) {
        return anotherPromise;
    }
).then(
    function(promiseResult) {
        // This is only called after anothePromise resolves,
        // and promiseResult is the result of anotherPromise
    }
)
```

And allow error handling in the flow

```
somePromise.catch(
    function(rejection) {
        return 'good';
).then(
    function(result) {
        // This is called and result === 'good'
        // If you want the rejection to keep
        // flowing you should have returned
        // $q.reject(rejection)
```

Angular App Boilerplate

<script> with dependencies: angular, jQuery, angular-route, etc.

angular.module('myApp', ['ngRoute']);

<div ng-view></div>

Configure routes

```
angular.module('nameOfAppModule').config(function($routeProvider) {
    $routeProvider.when('/route', {
        templateUrl: '/path/to/template.html',
        controller: 'RouteCtrl'
    })
    .when('/route2', {
        templateUrl: '/path/to/template2.html',
        controller: 'Route2Ctrl'
    })
    .otherwise({redirectTo: '/route'});
});
```

Directives

In addition to angular's we can write our own

Directives allow DOM access

Directives let us create reusable UI components

DOM access

```
angular.module('todoApp').directive('myEnter', function() {
  return {
    link: function(scope, element, attrs) {
      var handler = element.bind('keyup', function(event) {
        if (event.keyCode === 13) {
          scope.$apply(function() {
            scope.$eval(attrs.myEnter);
          });
      scope.$on('$destroy', handler);
```

<input type=text ng-model="newTodo.task"
my-enter="formatInput()">

Reusable components

```
angular.module('todoApp').directive('todoItem', function() {
    return {
        templateUrl: 'path/to/template.html',
        scope: {
            todo: '='
        },
        controller: 'TodoItemCtrl'
    };
});
```

Isolated scopes

How we write maintainable directives

```
angular.module('todoApp').directive(
    'myIsolatedDirective', function() {
    return {
        scope: {
            callback: '&'
        link: function(scope) {
            // ... Something happens and:
            scope.callback({argument: 'the value'});
```

<div my-isolated-directive
callback="callback(argument)"></div>

Routing with angular-route

```
angular.module('app').config(function($routeProvider) {
    $routeProvider.when('/state', {
        templateUrl: '/template.html',
        controller: 'MyCtrl'
    });
```

<div ng-view></div>

2 ways to change states

- State
- \$location.path('/state');

```
angular.module('app').config(function($routeProvider) {
    $routeProvider.when('/project/:projectId', {
        templateUrl: '/template.html',
        controller: 'MyCtrl'
    });
});
```

\$routeParams.projectId

http://example.com/#/project/123?new=true

\$routeParams == {projectId: '123', new: 'true'}

Angular's closed garden

Handling the garden

- Don't use setTimeout(), use \$timeout or \$interval
- Don't use jQuery for AJAX, use \$http
- When you use your own handlers (like click handlers that aren't ng-click) you have to wrap it: element.bind('click', function() {
 \$scope.\$apply(function() {
 // handle click
 });
 });