Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM)



Model

Represents and holds raw data

- ♦ Some of this data, in some form, may be displayed in the view
- ♦ Can also contain logic to retrieve the data from some source
- ♦ Contains no logic associated with displaying the model



View

User interface

- ♦ In a web app, it's just the HTML and CSS
- ♦ Only displays the data that it is given
- ♦ Never changes the data
- ♦ Declaratively broadcasts events, but never handles them



ViewModel

Representation of the state of the view

- ♦ Holds the data that's displayed in the view
- Responds to view events, aka presentation logic
- ♦ Calls other functionality for business logic processing
- Never directly asks the view to display anything

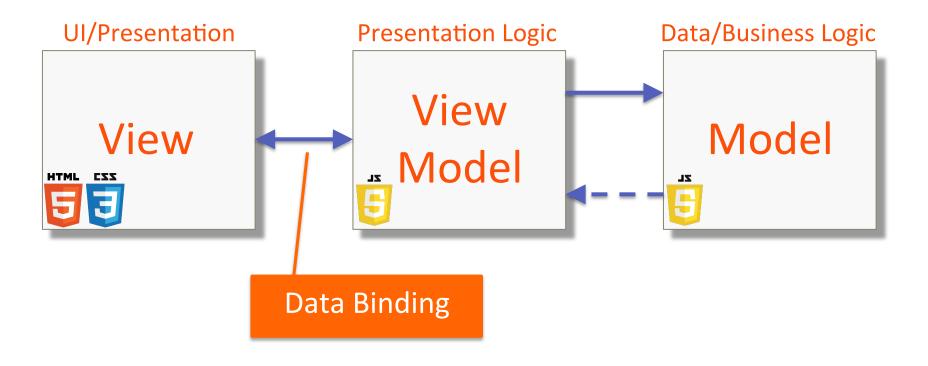


Declarative Binder

Declaratively binds the model of the ViewModel to the View

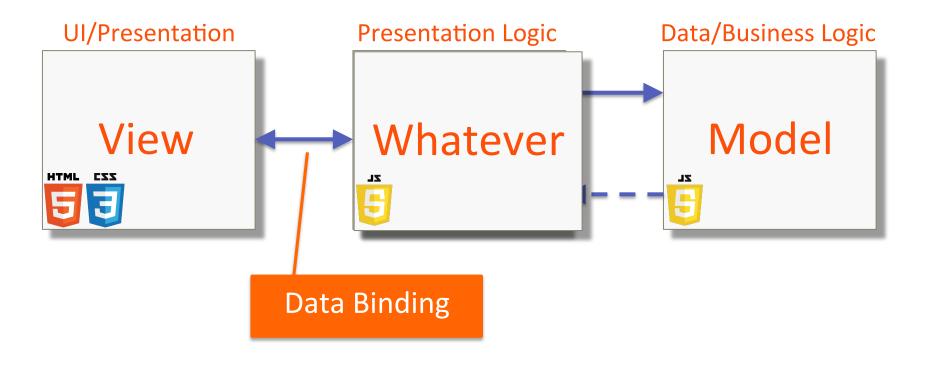
- ♦ Declaratively means you don't have to write any code
 - The framework does this "magic"
- ♦ Key enabler of the whole MVVM pattern







Model-View-Whatever or MV*





Summary

- Design Patterns are cookie-cutter approaches to common software development issues
- MVVM is a common design pattern for structuring Uis with functionality
- ♦ Model represents and holds raw data
- ♦ View UI that never changes data, declares events
- ♦ ViewModel data representation of the state of the UI
- ♦ Declarative Binder binds ViewModel to the View
- ♦ Angular is not restricted to MVVM

