# Go Deep with Directives

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# Directive?



## **Batteries Included**

AngularJS ships with a bunch of directives that you are already using:

- ngApp
- ng Controller
- ngModel
- ngRepeat
- The list goes on...

# How does it work?

### Two important steps:

- Compile
- Link

## **Custom Directives**

```
var myModule = angular.module(...);
myModule.directive('directiveName', function (injectables) {
 return {
  restrict: 'A',
  template: '<div></div>',
  templateUrl: 'directive.html',
  replace: false,
  priority: 0,
  transclude: false.
  scope: false,
  terminal: false,
  require: false,
  controller: function($scope, $element, $attrs, $transclude, otherInjectables) { ... },
  compile: function compile(tElement, tAttrs, transclude) {
    return {
     pre: function preLink(scope, iElement, iAttrs, controller) { ... },
     post: function postLink(scope, iElement, iAttrs, controller) { ... }
  link: function postLink(scope, iElement, iAttrs) { ... }
```

## Wait slow down

#### **Basic Layout**

```
var myModule = angular.module(...);
myModule.directive('directiveName', function (injectables) {
  return {
    restrict: 'AEC',
    template: '<div></div>',
    replace: false
  };
});
```

Show me something cool!



# Is this the only place for my template?

#### **TemplateUrl**

templateUrl: 'templates\directive.html'

Embedded in a script tag

```
<script type="text/ng-template" id="templates\directive.html">
    <h1>This is my template content.</h1>
</script>
```

Separate location entirely (i.e. templates folder on the server)

\* Yay, more awesomeness!



# Scope

## Three options:

Use parent

scope: false

Create child

scope: true

Isolated

scope: { }

## Isolated?

#### Binding

- One-way expression (top down)
- Two-way binding (reference)
- One-way behavior (bottom up)

```
scope: {
   type: '@type',
   props: '=props',
   addShape: '&addShape'
}
```

<shape type="{{type}}" props="props" addShape="addShape()">

• It's show time!



## Link function

• Binds the template of a directive to the correct scope

```
myModule.directive('directiveName', function (injectables) {
    return {
        ...
        link: function (scope, element, attrs) { ... }
        };
    });
```

Sweet, more!



## Transclude

Wrap arbitrary content within your directive

Transclude contents of directive

transclude: true

Transclude whole directive

transclude: 'element'

More, really?



# Controller and Require

 Controller: data and functions are accessible to other directives

 Require: allows you to pass a specified controller into your link funtion

```
myModule.directive('outerDirective', function
  (injectables) {
    return {
        ...
        controller: function(scope, element, attrs) {
            this.publicFunc = function () { ... };
        }
    };
};
```

```
myModule.directive('innerDirective', function
(injectables) {
    return {
          ...
          require: '^outerDirective'
          link: function(scope, element, attrs, controller) {
                controller.publicFunc();
          }
        };
});
```

Do we have time for this?



# Thank you!

