

ANGULARJS

DATA RECAP

Data from servers: \$http and AJAX

Managing data on the front-end: MVC, Client-side
Templating, Data Binding

JavaScript Frameworks

MOTIVATION

call-back style programming associated with AJAX
apps is hard to maintain/test

non-trivial to get the data into the correct state,
both in the View and in the Model

Frameworks do the heavy lifting!

Bring structure and organization

Scaffolding (e.g., data binding) means fewer lines of code

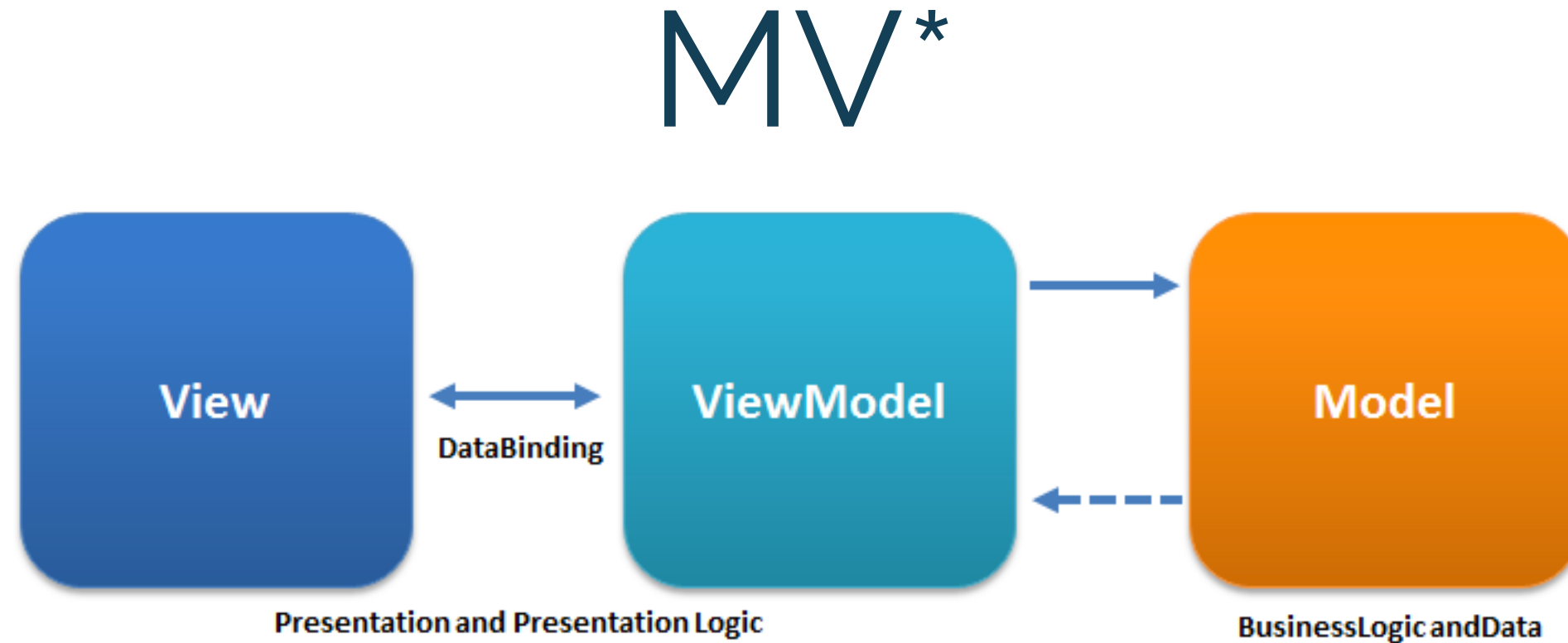
MODEL VIEW CONTROLLER (MVC)

Separation between

Model managing data

Controller application logic

View presenting the data



MVC vs MVVM vs MVP?

Model View Whatever: model and a view and something that's managing how they interact

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Model_View_ViewModel

So many frameworks, so little time...



Framework	UI Bindings	Composed Views	Web Presentation Layer	Plays Nicely With Others
Backbone.js	✗	✗	✓	✓
SproutCore 1.x	✓	✓	✗	✗
Sammy.js	✗	✗	✓	✓
Spine.js	✗	✗	✓	✓
Cappuccino	✓	✓	✗	✗
Knockout.js	✓	✗	✓	✓
Javascript MVC	✗	✓	✓	✓
Google Web Toolkit	✗	✓	✗	✗
Google Closure	✗	✓	✓	✗
Ember.js	✓	✓	✓	✓
Angular.js	✓	✗	✓	✓
Batman.js	✓	✗	✓	✓

codebrief.com/2012/01/the-top-10-javascript-mvc-frameworks-reviewed/

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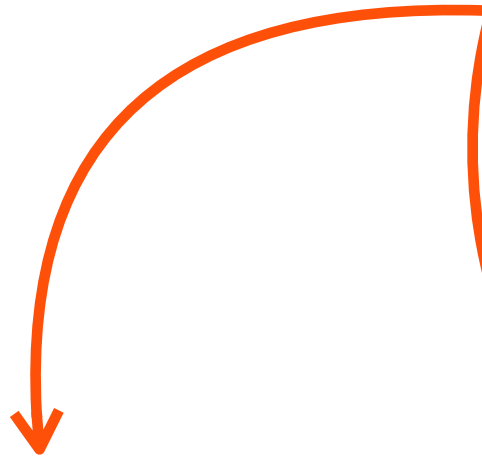
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Controllers

\$scope object

Directives



MVC

Client-side Templating

Data Binding

Templates and Data Binding

CLIENT-SIDE TEMPLATING

 *Cacheable*

Templates are HTML documents which define the UI

Loaded from server like any other static resource

Once in the browser, Angular merges template with data, defining a **view**

ANGULAR AT WORK

Browser

HTML Template

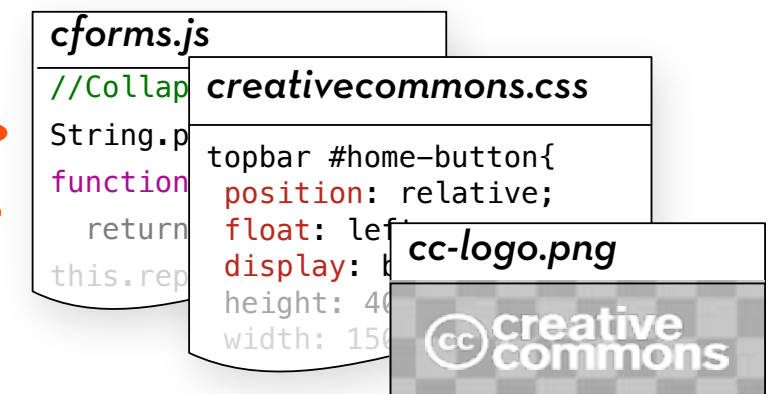
Other Resources



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HTTP GET

```
http://creativecommons.org
<a><span id="home-button">
</span></a>
<div id="logo">
  <span>
    Creative Commons
  </span>
</div>
```

→
HTTP GET



loads Angular



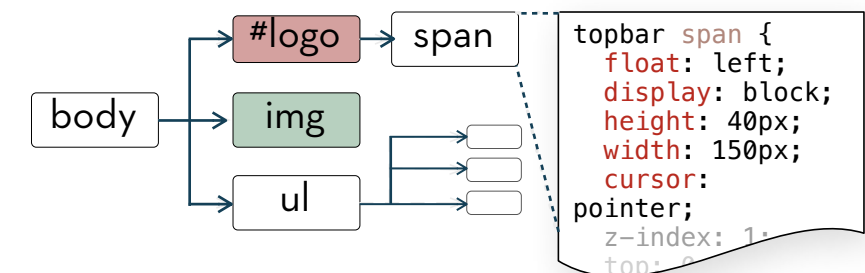
DOM



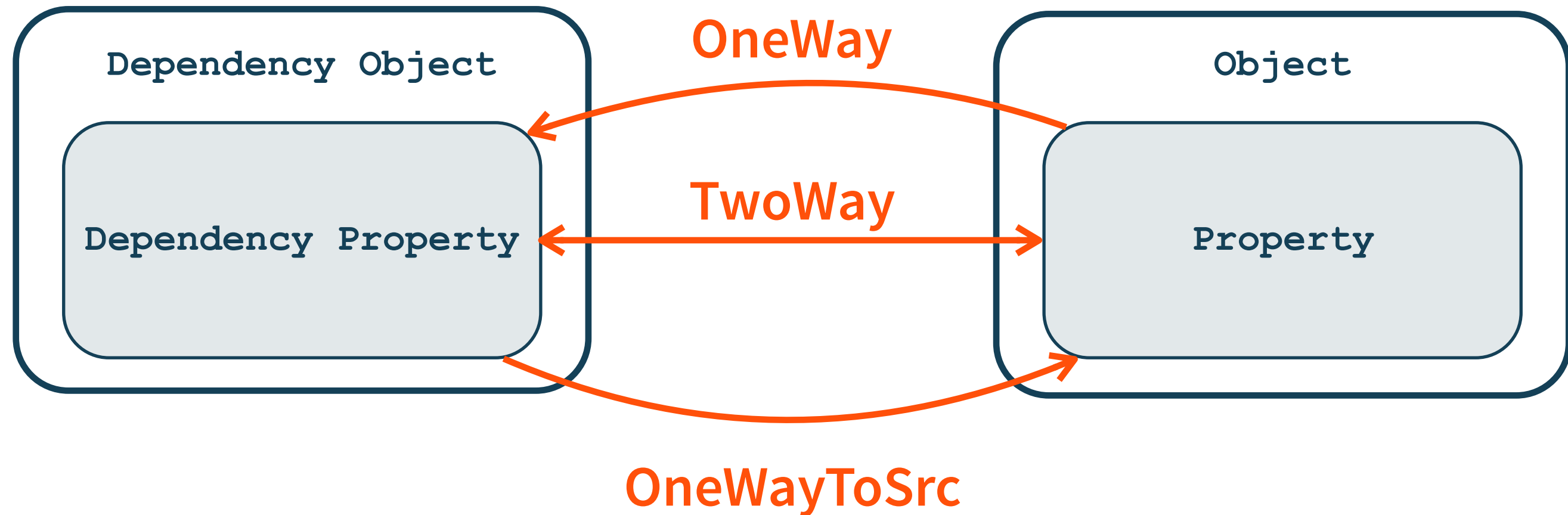
looks for directives and bindings
registers listeners and manipulates DOM
fetches data



Rendered Page



WAYS OF DATA BINDING



TEMPLATE DATA BINDING

`{{ }}` interpolation syntax; one-way binding

`ng-bind` one-way binding for displaying text

`ng-model` two-way binding for form elements

MADLIBS TEMPLATE

```
<div ng-app>
  <div ng-controller='MadlibsController'>
    <div>Hola
      <span class="madlib">{{madlibs.animal}}</span>,
    </div>
    <div>Se llama
      <span class="madlib" ng-bind="madlibs.name"></span>!
    </div>
    <form>
      <input ng-model="madlibs.name">
    </form>
  </div>
</div>
```

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MADLIBS VIEW

Hola Llama,
Se llama Francesca!

Francesca

Controllers and \$scope

CONTROLLERS

Javascript classes which do the following:

Initialize state in your application's model

Expose model and functions to the view through **\$scope**

Watch parts of the model for changes and take action

`$scope`

mechanism used to expose **model**
data to **view**

any data that you want exposed in the
view should be assigned to the
`$scope` object

MADLIBS JS

```
function MadlibsController($scope) {  
  
    $scope.madlibs = {animal: 'Llama',  
    name: 'Francesca'};  
  
}
```

MANAGING CONTROLLERS

One controller per functional area

Tied to a specific piece of DOM:

ng-controller

views — dynamically loaded template fragment via **routes**

Nesting: child controller has access to parent controller's **\$scope**

`$scope.$watch`

`$watch(watchFn, watchAction, deepWatch)`

watches parts of the model and takes action
when model changes

`$scope.watch`

`$watch(watchFn, watchAction, deepWatch)`

Angular expression or a function that returns the current value of the model to watch

evaluated multiple times

shouldn't have side effects or be an expensive computation

\$scope.watch

`$watch(watchFn, watchAction, deepWatch)`

function or expression to be called when
`watchFn` changes

\$scope.watch

`$watch(watchFn, watchAction, deepWatch)`

optional boolean parameter

examine each property within a watched object or
each element within a watched array for changes

AVG HEIGHT JS

```
function AnimalController($scope) {
    $scope.camelids = {};
    $scope.camelids.data = [{"name": "llama", "height": 1.8}, {"name": "alpaca",
"height": 0.9}, {"name": "vicuna", "height": 0.8}];

    $scope.computeAvgHeight = function() {
        var height = 0;
        for (var i=0; i<$scope.camelids.data.length;i++) {
            height += parseFloat($scope.camelids.data[i].height);
        }
        height = height/$scope.camelids.data.length;
        $scope.camelids.avgHeight = Number((height).toFixed(1));
    }

    $scope.$watch('camelids.data', $scope.computeAvgHeight, true);
}
```

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Directives

DIRECTIVES

DOM transformation engine that lets you extend HTML's syntax to create your own custom tags, attributes, etc.

`{{ }}` , `ng-*`: predefined directives that come with Angular

ng-repeat

AVG HEIGHT TEMPLATE

```
<div ng-app>
  <div ng-controller='AnimalController'>
    <div>Average Height:
      <span class="avgheight" ng-bind="camelids.avgHeight"></span>m
    </div>
    <div ng-repeat="camelid in camelids.data">
      <span ng-bind="camelid.name"></span>
      <form><input ng-model="camelid.height"></form>
    </div>
  </div>
</div>
```

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AVG HEIGHT VIEW

Average Height: 2.3m

llama

5.3

alpaca

0.9

vicuna

0.8

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EVENT-HANDLING WITH DIRECTIVES

`ng-eventhandler = 'expression'`

`<div ng-click = "doSomething()">`

behave in the same way in every browser

not in global namespace — \$scope defined by
element's controller

ng-hide/ng-show

for displaying and hiding based on expression on the right

toggles between default **display** and **display:none**

ng-class/ng-style

expression on the right can be one of the following:

A string representing space-delimited class names

An array of class names

A map of class names to boolean values

ng-src/ng-href

use with `/<a>` when dynamically loading paths

otherwise, you might see a broken link: browser tries to display before the data binding has happened

ANGULAR EXPRESSIONS

```
ng-* = 'angularExpression'
```

Supports simple math, comparisons, boolean logic

No loops, conditionals

undefined and null don't throw errors

use model state that hasn't been initialized



Angular 2.0

www.youtube.com/watch?v=9IBljKq4XrQ

ANGULAR CONCEPTS

2.0



~~Controllers~~

~~\$scope object~~

~~Directives~~

no backwards compatibility!


```
<div ng-controller="SantaTodoController">
  <input type="text" ng-model="newTodoTitle">
  <button ng-click="addTodo()">+</button>

  <tab-container>
    <tab-pane title="Tobias">
      <div ng-repeat="todo in todosOf('tobias')">
        <input type="checkbox" ng-model="todo.done">
        {{todo.title}}
        <button ng-click="deleteTodo(todo)">
          X
        </button>
      </div>
    </tab-pane>
  </tab-container>
</div>
```

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```
<div>
  <input type="text" [value]="newTodoTitle">
  <button (click)="addTodo()">+</button>
  <tab-container>
    <tab-pane title="Good kids">
      <div [ng-repeat|todo]="todosOf('good')">
        <input type="checkbox" [checked]="todo.done">
          {{todo.title}}
        <button (click)="deleteTodo(todo)">
          X
        </button>
      </div>
    </tab-pane>
  </tab-container>
</div>
```

what has changed?

Why?!

make Angular faster and more logical

work directly with new versions/features of web technologies:

work with DOM directly

get rid of controllers and directives in favor of HTML5 web components

adoption of the very latest JavaScript and browsers



2.0 NOW IN BETA!

One framework.
Mobile and desktop.

GET STARTED

Bring your laptops!



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