SPA Basics: Separating the Ravioli

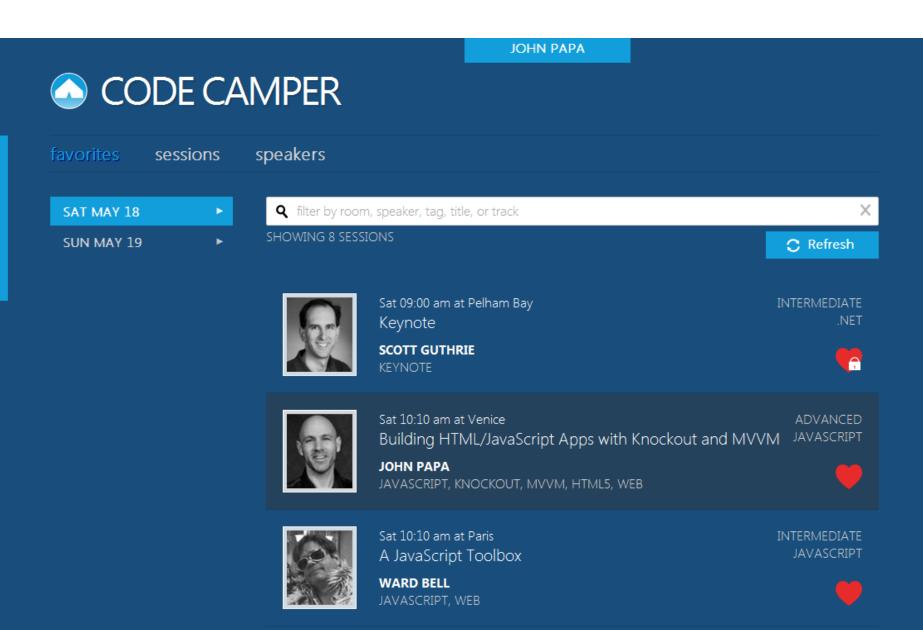
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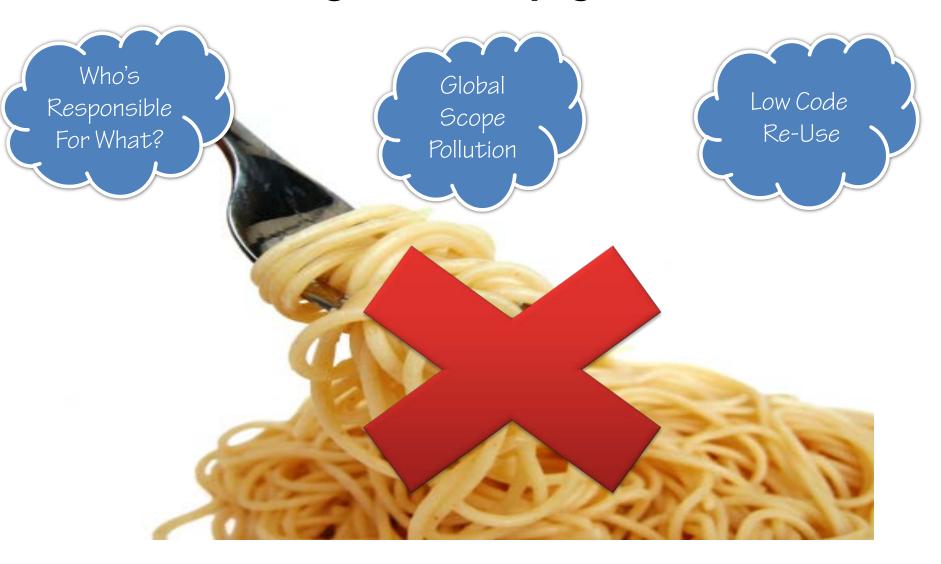
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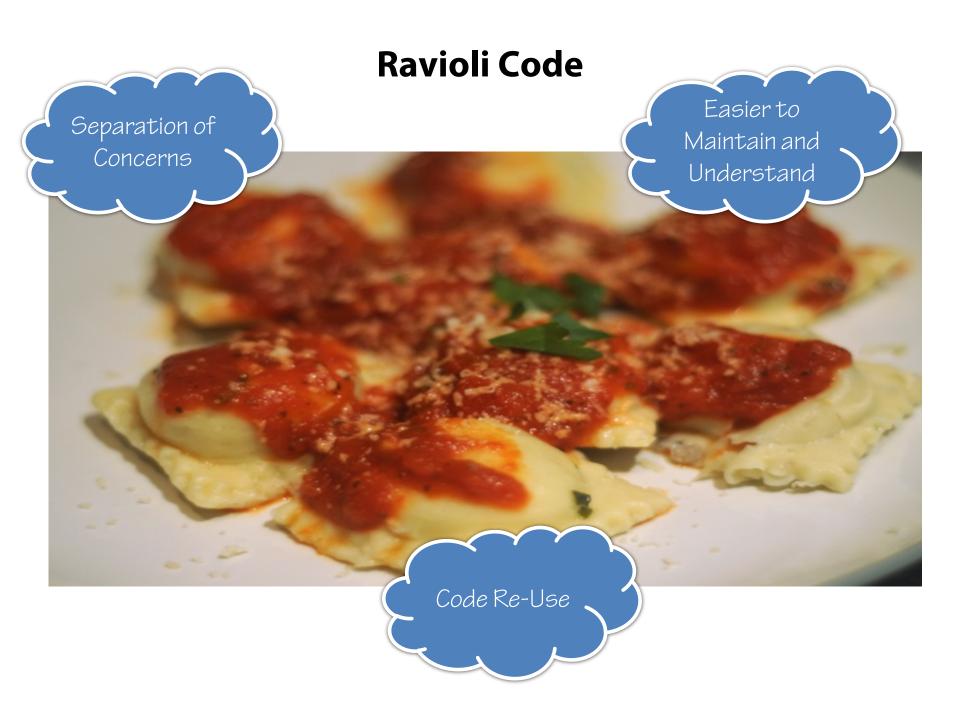
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How Do We Get Here?



Avoiding Function Spaghetti Code

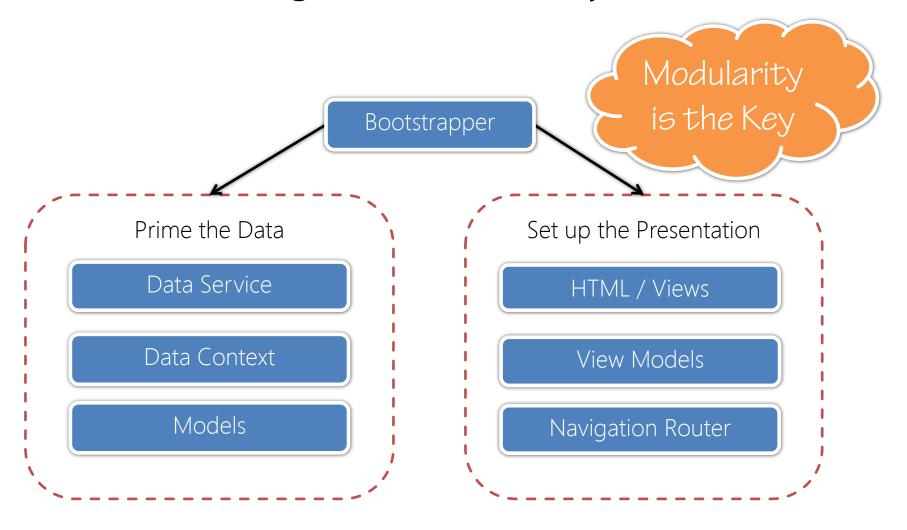




Revealing Module Pattern

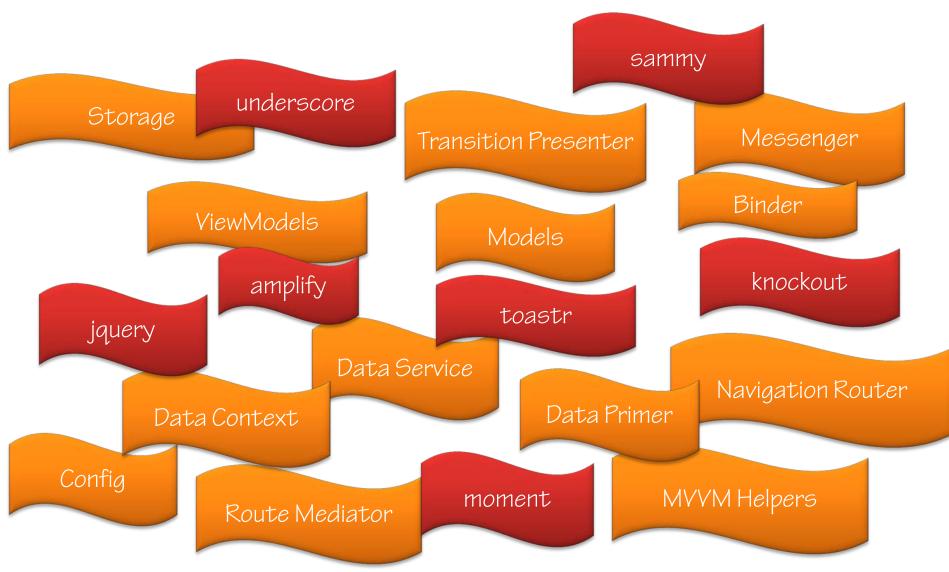
```
Internal
var dataservice = (function($) {
    var baseUrl = 'http://johnpapa.net/',
        getPerson = function(id, callback) {
            var url = baseUrl + 'person/' + id;
            $.getJSON(url, function(data) {
                 callback(data);
            });
                                             Accessible as
        };
                                        dataservice.getPerson()
    return {
        getPerson: getPerson
    };
})($);
               Depends on
                 jQuery
```

Starting the SPA - Birds Eye View

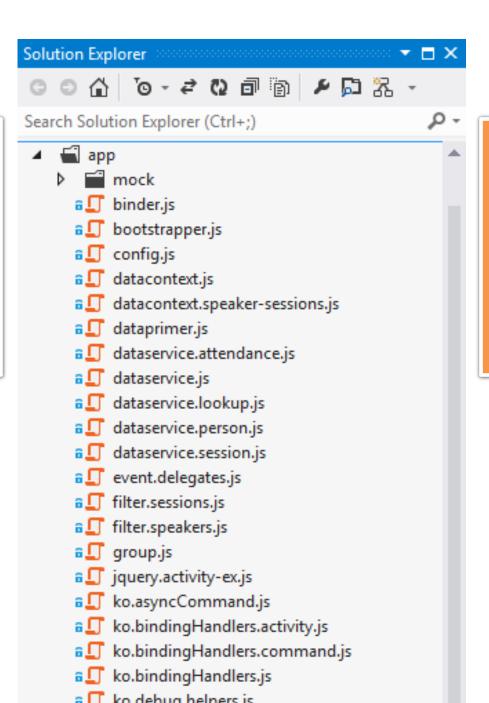


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Keeping Track of Modules



Many Small Modules with Distinct Roles



How do we
Manage
Dependencies
and Order?

Keys to Modularity



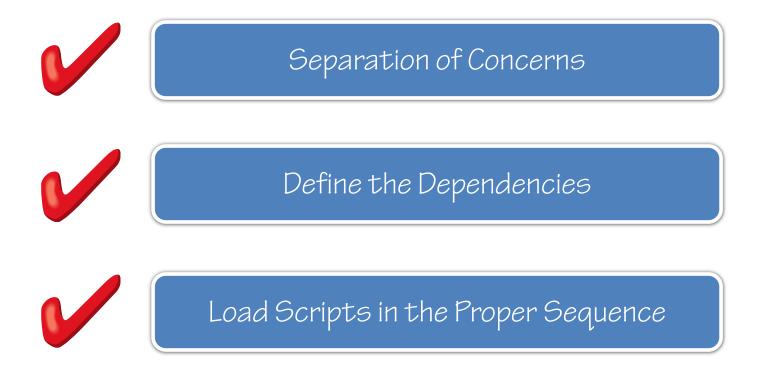
Separation of Concerns

Define the Dependencies

Load Scripts in the Proper Sequence

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RequireJS



Defining a Module – 3 Steps

```
Module ID
define('alerter',
                                        Dependencies
    ['jquery', 'dataservice'],
    function ($, dataservice) {
        var name = 'John',
            showMessage = function () {
                var msg = dataservice.getMessage();
                $('#messagebox').text(msg + ', ' + name);
            };
        return {
            showMessage: showMessage
        };
                                             Module Factory
    });
```

Kicking Off the SPA with RequireJS

```
Start here

Load RequireJS

<script data-main="/scripts/main" src="/scripts/require.js"
    type="text/javascript"></script>
```

```
require(['alerter'],

function (alerter) {

alerter.showMessage();

});
```

Summary

- Modularity
 - Promotes code reuse and maintainability
- Creating JavaScript Modules



- Bootstrapping the SPA
- Managing Modularity
 - Script Load Sequence
 - Dependency Resolution
- Require.js
 - Demo: http://jpapa.me/requirejsdemo
 - Library: http://requirejs.org/