Creating Your First Blazor Application

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Module overview

Exploring a new Blazor project

Creating a first Blazor application

Improving the layout

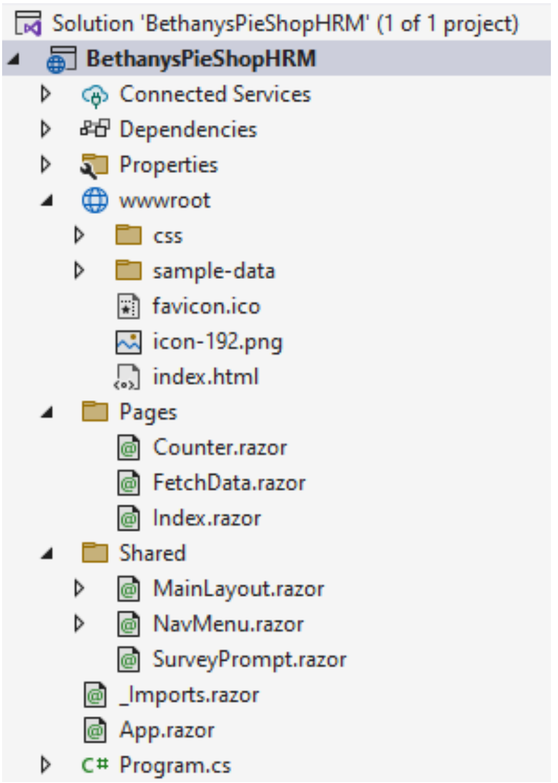
Debugging Blazor applications

Exploring a New Blazor Project

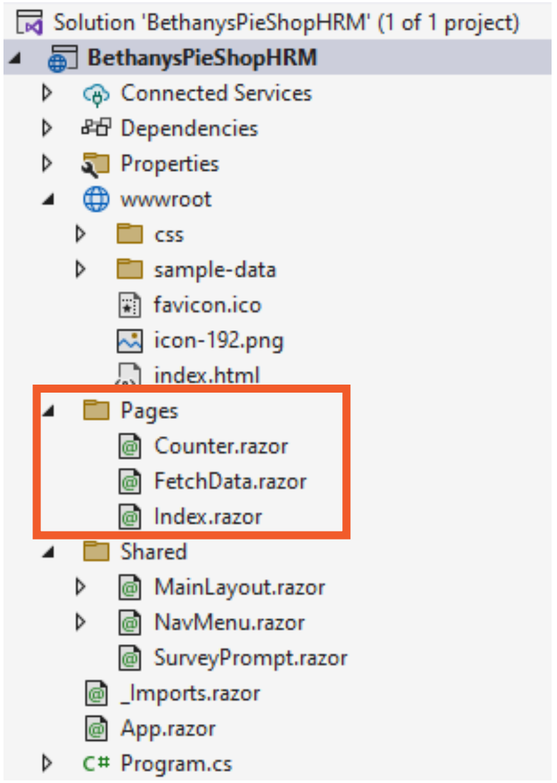
File → New Project

C# and .razor files

Structure similar to ASP.NET Core project



Razor Components in Blazor



Main building block in Blazor applications

***.razor files**

Razor syntax

Contain UI and logic

- Handle events
- Logic typically in a component class

Rendered on the client

- Not a request/response model

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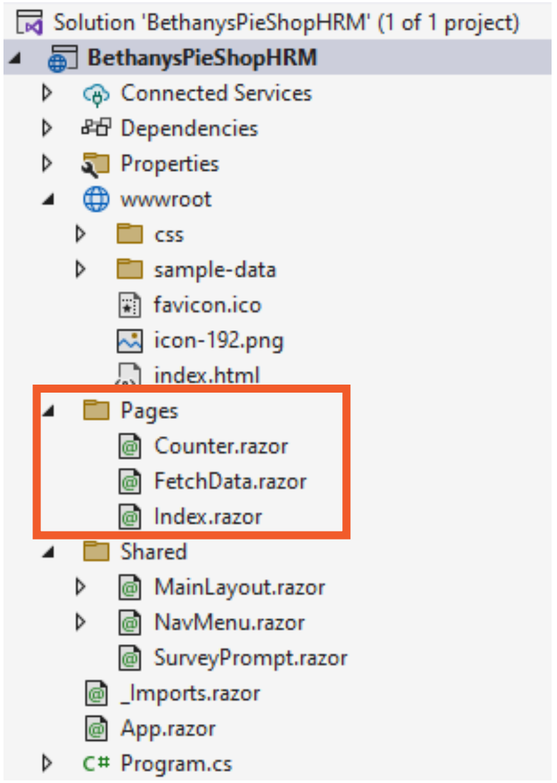


Often nested

Reused across the application or in a library

Class generated upon compilation

Component names must start with an uppercase!

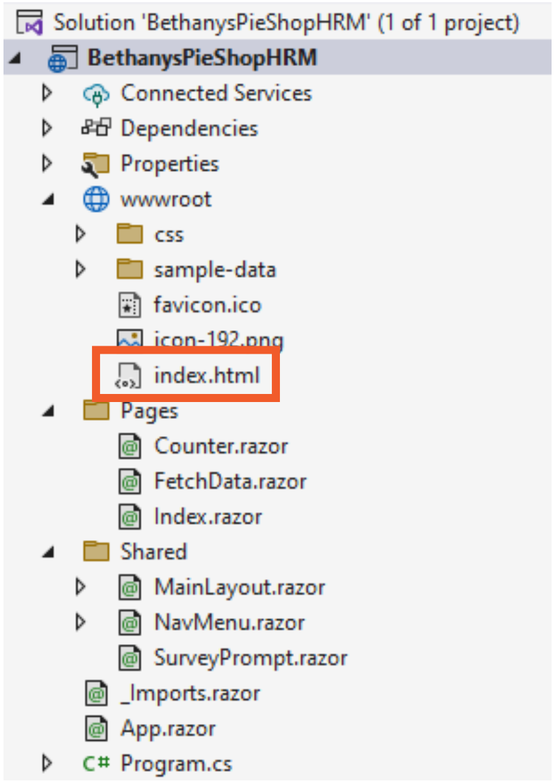
Looking at a First Component

Counter.razor

```
@page "/counter"

<h1>Counter</h1>
<p>Current count: @currentCount</p>
<button class="btn btn-primary" @onclick="IncrementCount">Click me</button>

@code {
    int currentCount = 0;
    void IncrementCount()
    {
        currentCount++;
    }
}
```

```
@page "/"
<h1>Hello, world!</h1>
Welcome to your new app.

<Counter />
```

Using a Component



Hosting page

Plain HTML

Triggers loading of the Blazor app through JavaScript

- blazor.webassembly.js

Demo

Creating a new Blazor WebAssembly project

Exploring the created files

New to ASP.NET Core?
Razor syntax confusing you?

Take a look at the
ASP.NET Core Learning Path!

Creating a First Blazor Application

Using Code

Mixed approach using @code

“Code behind” using partial

Using the Mixed Approach

```
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<h1>Counter</h1>
<p>Current count: @currentCount</p>
<button class="btn btn-primary" @onclick="IncrementCount">Click me</button>

@code {
    int currentCount = 0;
    void IncrementCount()
    {
        currentCount++;
    }
}
```

```
public partial class EmployeeOverview
{
}
```

Using Partial Classes

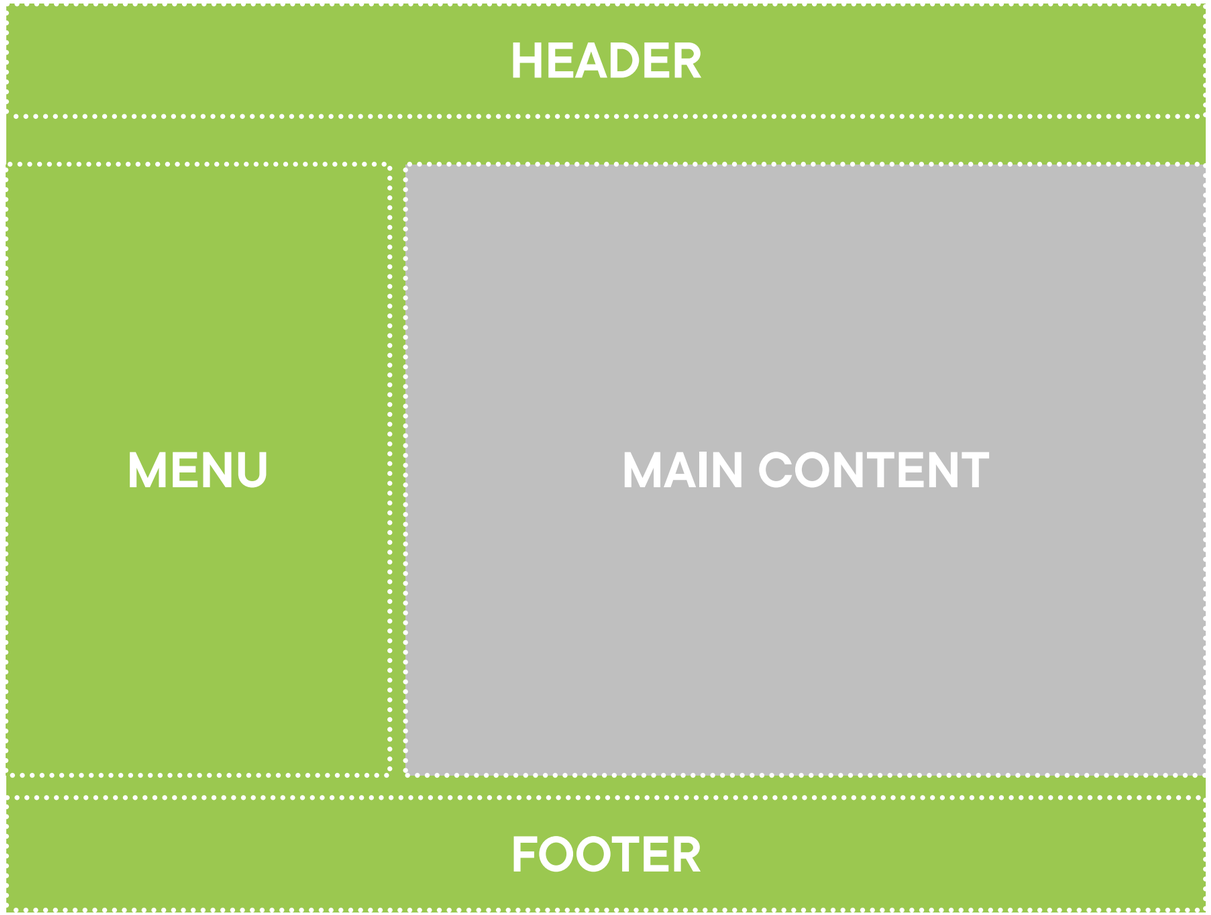
Code-behind

Demo

Creating the first page of our application

Improving the Layout

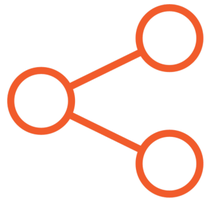
Sharing a Layout



Adding a Layout

Shared UI across several pages

Referenced by page components



Shared folder

Inherit from LayoutComponentBase

Creating a Layout Component

```
@inherits LayoutComponentBase

<div class="page">
    <div class="sidebar">
        <NavMenu />
    </div>

    <main>
        <div class="top-row px-4">
            <a href="https://docs.microsoft.com/aspnet/" target="_blank">About</a>
        </div>

        <article class="content px-4">
            @Body
        </article>
    </main>
</div>
```

```
@page "/employeeoverview"
@layout BethanysPieShopMainLayout
```

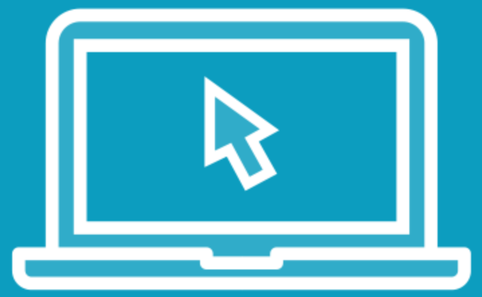
Applying a Specific Layout

```
<Router AppAssembly="@typeof(App).Assembly">
    <Found Context="routeData">
        <RouteView RouteData="@routeData" DefaultLayout="@typeof(MainLayout)" />
        <FocusOnNavigate RouteData="@routeData" Selector="h1" />
    </Found>
     ...
</Router>
```

Using a Default Layout

Code from the App.razor

Demo



Improving the layout

Debugging Blazor Applications

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Summary

Components are the building block for any Blazor app

Can be nested, reused...

Layouts add consistency

Up next:
Working with components