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# **Lesson Objectives**

- >Introduction of component
- > Developing a simple component
- > Templates for a component
- ➤ Component style
- ➤ Component lifecycle



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### Components



- A component controls a patch of screen called a view.
- A component's application logic—what it does to support the view—inside a class.
- Components are the main way to build and specify elements and logic on the page.
- In Angular 2, "everything is a component."
- Component is comprised of a template, metadata and class.
  - Template provides HTML(View) for the user interface.
  - · Class provides the code associated with the view.
  - Class contains the properties or data elements to be used in the view and methods to perform actions for the view.

### Description

Component decorator allows you to mark a class as an Angular component and provide additional metadata that determines how the component should be processed, instantiated and used at runtime.

Components are the most basic building block of an UI in an Angular application. An Angular application is a tree of Angular components. Angular components are a subset of directives. Unlike directives, components always have a template and only one component can be instantiated per an element in a template.

A component must belong to an NgModule in order for it to be usable by another component or application. To specify that a component is a member of an NgModule, you should list it in the declarations field of that NgModule. In addition to the metadata configuration specified via the Component decorator, components can control their runtime behavior by implementing various Life-Cycle hooks.

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# Components



- Component also has metadata, which provides additional information about the component
  - Meta data that identifies the class as an angular component.



### Metadata Properties:

animations - list of animations of this component

changeDetection - change detection strategy used by this component encapsulation - style encapsulation strategy used by this component entryComponents - list of components that are dynamically inserted into the view of this component

exportAs - name under which the component instance is exported in a template

host - map of class property to host element bindings for events, properties and attributes

inputs - list of class property names to data-bind as component inputs interpolation - custom interpolation markers used in this component's template moduleId - ES/CommonJS module id of the file in which this component is defined

outputs - list of class property names that expose output events that others can subscribe to

providers - list of providers available to this component and its children queries - configure queries that can be injected into the component selector - css selector that identifies this component in a template styleUrls - list of urls to stylesheets to be applied to this component's view styles - inline-defined styles to be applied to this component's view template - inline-defined template for the view

templateUrl - url to an external file containing a template for the view viewProviders - list of providers available to this component and its view children

Example

content\_copy@<u>Component(</u>{selector: 'greet', template: 'Hello {{name}}!'}) class Greet { name: string = 'World'; }

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# Angular Component Using TypeScript

Create a class for the component with code to support the view.

Use a decorator to define the component Meta data which includes the HTML for the components template

Import the required modules from any third party library or from own modules or from angular itself

Give a clear name for the component because it is not only the name of the class but the name of the component as well

use Pascal casing and append component to the end of the class name to make it clear that it is a component class

Include the export keyword on the class signature

export keyword makes the class accessible to be imported by other parts of the application

Use camel case for the properties and methods in the class.

To leverage typescript strong typing be sure to set the appropriate data type for each property and set a default value appropriately

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# **Component Class**



- Class is a construct that allows to create a type with properties and methods.
- As per convention, name the component class with a feature name then append the word *component* as the suffix.
- Also by convention root component for an application is called AppComponent.
- Class name is used as the component name when the component is referenced in code.
- export keyword exports the class; thereby making it available for use by other components of the application.

```
export class AppComponent {
    greet:string = "Hello Angular2!"
}
```

export keyword makes the file as a module and will be loaded by a module loader no need to add a script tag for it.

A property(data element) associated with the class must be a noun describing the data element and it should be in camel case.

Methods are normally defined within the class body after all of the properties. Method names are often verbs that describe the action the method performs and it should be in camel case.

Meta data for a component can be set using component decorator

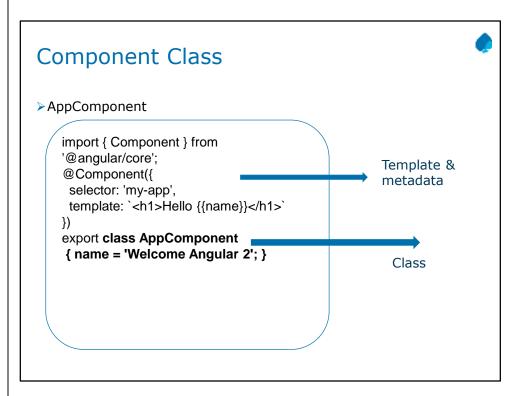
A class is not a component unless it has a component decorator be sure to prefix the decorator with an '@'

since a decorator is a function add parenthesis pass in the appropriate object properties. Use the selector property to define the name of the component when used as a directive in HTML. selector property is not needed if the component is not used in any HTML

Use the template property in the component Meta data to define the view's HTML. Since the HTML in a string literal Intellisense or syntax checking wont be available, so take care to define correct HTML syntax

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Components are a logical piece of code for Angular JS application. A Component consists of the following –

**Template** – This is used to render the view for the application. This contains the HTML that needs to be rendered in the application. This part also includes the binding and directives.

**Class** – This is like a class defined in any language such as C. This contains properties and methods. This has the code which is used to support the view. It is defined in TypeScript.

**Metadata** – This has the extra data defined for the Angular class. It is defined with a decorator.

We are using the import keyword to import the 'Component' decorator from the angular/core module.

We are then using the decorator to define a component.

The component has a selector called 'my-app'. This is nothing but our custom html tag which can be used in our main html page.

<body> <my-app></my-app> </body>

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### Component Metadata



- A class becomes an angular component, when component meta data is given.
- Metadata tells Angular how to process a class.
- Angular needs metadata to understand, how to instantiate the component, construct the view and interact with the component.
- Components meta data is defined with the angular Component function. In Typescript this function is attached to the class as a decorator.
- @Component decorator is used to identify the class as a component. It takes object as a parameter which has man properties like selector, template etc
  - selector defines the components directive name which is used to reference the component in HTML.
  - Whenever this directive is used in the HTML angular renders this components template

A decorator is a function that adds Meta data to a class its members or its methods arguments. It is a java script language feature that is implemented in typescript and proposed for ES 2016(the next version of JavaScript)

The scope of the decorator is limited to the feature that it decorates. A decorator is always prefixed with an '@' sign.

Angular has several built-in decorators to provide additional information to angular. We can also build our own decorators.

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# Component Metadata



# export class AppComponent { name = 'Welcome Angular 2'; }

- ➤To tell Angular that AppComponent is a component, attach metadata to the class. In TypeScript, we can attach metadata by using a decorator,
  - · @Component decorator, which identifies the class.
- The metadata in the @Component tells Angular where to get the major building blocks .
- rightharpoonup exports the class; thereby making it available for use by other components of the application.

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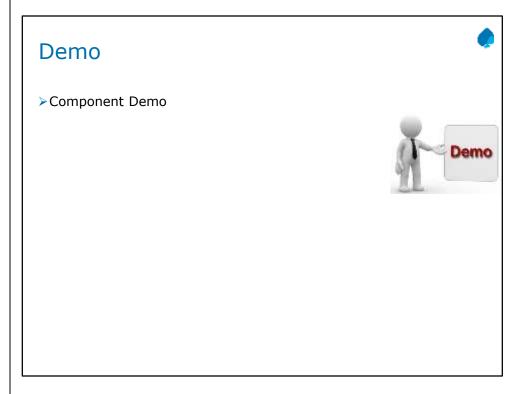
# Component Metadata



- ➤ @Component configuration options:
  - selector: CSS selector that tells Angular to create and insert an instance of this component where it finds a <hero-list> tag in parent HTML.
  - template: This is the portion of our component that holds template. It is an integral part of the component as it allows to tie logic from component directly to a view. Its call inline
  - templateUrl: module-relative address of this component's HTML template, its call external
  - providers: array of dependency injection providers for services that the component requires.

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### **Template**



- > HTML is the language of the Angular template
- Template are mostly HTML which is used to tell Angular how to render the component.
- > Template for a component can be created using
  - Inline template (Embedded template string)
    - Inline template can be defined with template property using a single or double quotes or with a multiline string by enclosing the HTML in ES 2015 back ticks.
      - Back ticks allows to compose multiline string which makes the HTML more readable.
  - · Linked template (Template provided in external html file)
    - Linked template is used to define the HTML in its own file by providing the URL of the HTML file using templateUrl property.
      - Path provided in templateUrl property is relative to the application root which is usually the location of the index.html
- Interpolation ( {{...}} )-use interpolation to weave calculated strings into the text between HTML element tags and within attribute assignments. Example
  - '<h1>Hello {{name}}</h1>
  - <h1>Hello world {{10 + 20 + 30}}</h1>
  - <h3> {{title}} <img src="{{heroImageUrl}}" style="height:30px"></h3>

The expression can invoke methods of the host component such as getVal() <!-- "The sum of 1 + 1 is not 4" --> The sum of 1 + 1 is not  $\{\{1 + 1 + getVal()\}\}\$ 

A template **expression** produces a value. Angular executes the expression and assigns it to a property of a binding target; the target might be an HTML element, a component, or a directive.

The interpolation braces in  $\{\{1 + 1\}\}$  surround the template expression 1 + 1. a template expression appears in quotes to the right of the = symbol as in [property]="expression".

We can write these template expressions in a language that looks like JavaScript. Many JavaScript expressions are legal template expressions, but not all

JavaScript expressions that have or promote side effects are prohibited, including:

```
assignments (=, +=, -=, ...)
```

new

chaining expressions with; or,

increment and decrement operators (++ and --)

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### Demo



- ➤ Component Demo Inline Template
- ➤ Component Demo External Template



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## Component Styles



- Angular 2 applications are styled with regular CSS. i.e. CSS stylesheets, selectors, rules, and media queries can be directly applied.
- Angular 2 has the ability to encapsulate component styles with components enables more modular design than regular stylesheets.
- ➤ In Angular 2 component, CSS styles can be defined like HTML template in several ways
  - · As inline style in the template HTML
  - Template Link Tags
  - By setting styles or styleUrls metadata

The URL is relative to the application root which is usually the location of the index.html web page that hosts the application. The style file URL is not relative to the component file.

#### **Special selectors**

Component styles have a few special selectors from the world of shadow DOM style scoping:

:host is a pseudo-class selector that applies styles in the element that hosts the component. It means if a component has a child component using component binding then child component will use :host selector that will target host element in parent component. :host selector can be used in component with styles metadata as well as with styleUrls metadata of @Component decorator.

@Component({ --- styles: [ ':host { position: absolute; top: 10%; }' ] })

:host-context(): Looks for a CSS class in any ancestor of the component host element, all the way up to the document root. It's useful when combined with another selector: :host-context selector is used in the same way as :host selector but :host-context is used when we want to apply a style on host element on some condition outside of the component view. For the example a style could be applied on host element only if a given CSS class is found anywhere in parent tree up to the document root. In our example we have following components in parent-child relationship. :host-context(.my-theme) h3 { background-color: green; font-style: normal; }

**/deep/**: selector to force a style down through the child component tree into all the child component views. The /deep/ selector works to any depth of nested components, and it applies both to the view children and the content children of the component. deep/ selector has alias as >>> . Component style normally applies only to the component's own template. Using /deep/ selector we can force a style down through the child component tree into all child component views. /deep/selector forces its style to its own component, child component, nested component, view children and content children.

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## Component Styles (Contd...)

➤ Internal style

styles:[`p{font-weight:bold;background-color:red;} div{font-size: 20px;color:green}`]

External style

styleUrls:['./app.external.css']

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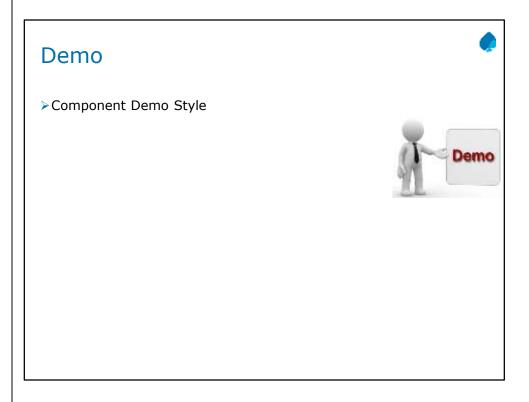
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# Component Lifecycle



- ➤ Each Angular application goes through a lifecycle.
- If we want to access the value of an input to load additional data from the server for example - you have to use a lifecycle phase.
- The constructor of the component class is called before any other component lifecycle hook.
- For best practice inputs of a component should not be accessed via constructor.
- >To access the value of an input for instance to load data from server component's life cycle phase should be used.

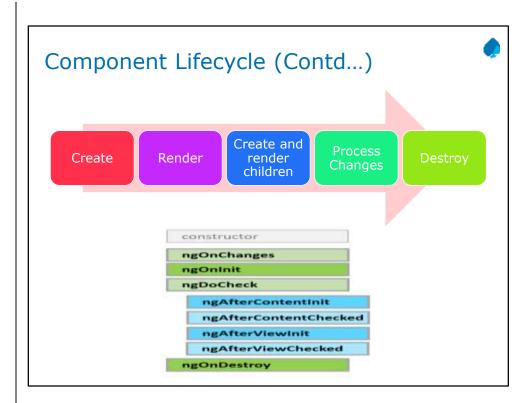
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## Component Lifecycle (Contd...)



- A component has a lifecycle managed by Angular.
- Angular creates it, renders it, creates and renders its children, checks it when its data-bound properties change, and destroys it before removing it from the DOM.
- The constructor of the component class is called before any other component lifecycle hook.
- As a best practice inputs of a component should not be accessed via constructor. To access the value of an input for instance to load data from server component's life cycle phase should be used.
- Angular offers **lifecycle hooks** that provide visibility into these key life moments and the ability to act when they occur.

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Lifecycle hooks

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Angular calls life cycle hook methods on directives components as it creates, changes and destroy them

Creates	Changes	Destroy
OnInit	DoCheck	OnDestroy
AfterContentInit	OnChanges	
AfterViewInit	AfterContentChecked	
	AfterViewChecked	

Three most commonly used lifecycle hooks are

Onlnit: Use this lifecycle hook to perform any component initialization after angular has initialize the data bound properties. This is a good place to retrieve the data for the template from a backend service

OnChanges: Use this lifecycle hook to perform any action after angular set data bound input properties.

OnDestroy Use this lifecycle hook to perform any cleanup before angular destroys the component.

Implementing the interface is actually optional because neither ES5 nor ES 2015 support interfaces . Interface are the features of typescript so the interfaces are transpiled out of the resulting JavaScript so we don't really have to implement the interface to use lifecycle hooks we can simply write code for the hook method however is good practice and provides better tooling to implement the interface

### ngOnInit:

The ngOnInit method of a component is called directly after the constructor and before the ngOnChange is triggered for the first time. It is the perfect place for initialisation work.

### ngOnChanges:

The ngOnChanges will be called first when the value of a bound property changes. It executes, every time the value of an input property changes. It will receive a changes map, containing the current and previous values of the binding.

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# Component Lifecycle (Contd...)



➤ After creating a component by calling its constructor, Angular calls the lifecycle hook methods in the following sequence at specific moments:

Hooks	Purpose and Timing	
ngOnChanges()	Respond when Angular (re)sets data-bound input properties. The method receives a SimpleChanges object of current and previous property values. Called before ngOnInit() and whenever one or more data-bound input properties change.	
ngOnInit()	Initialize the directive/component after Angular first displays the data-bound properties and sets the directive/component's input properties.  Called once, after the first ngOnChanges().	
ngDoCheck()	Detect and act upon changes that Angular can't or won't detect on its own. Called during every change detection run, immediately after ngOnChanges() and ngOnInit().	

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#### Component Lifecycle (Contd...) Hooks **Purpose and Timing** ngAfterContentInit() Respond after Angular projects external content into the component's view. Called once after the first ngDoCheck(). A component-only hook. ngAfterViewInit() after Respond Angular initializes the component's views and child views. Called once after the first ngAfterContentChecked(). A component-only hook. ngAfterViewChecked() Respond after Angular checks the component's views and child views. Called after the ngAfterViewInit and every subsequent ngAfterContentChecked(). A component-only hook. ngOnDestroy() Cleanup just before Angular destroys the

directive/component.

directive/component. Unsubscribe Observables and detach event handlers to avoid memory leaks. Called *just before* Angular destroys the

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### Accessing Component Lifecycle hooks



- To respond to certain events in the life cycle of a component angular provides various interface which can be implemented.
- > Angular application finds the hook functions only when the Component class assigns the associated interface.
- For each hook a corresponding interface exists without the prefix ng

Interface	Hook	Interface	Hook
OnChanges	ngOnChanges	OnInit	ngOnInit
DoCheck	ngDoCheck	AfterContentInit	ngAfterContentInit
AfterContentChecked	ngAfterContentChecked	AfterViewInit	ngAfterViewInit
AfterViewChecked	ngAfterViewChecked	OnDestroy	ngOnDestroy

### ngOnDestroy:

The ngDestroy is called in a component's lifecycle just before the instance of the component is finally destroyed. It is the perfect place to clean the component. for example, to cancel background tasks.

### ngDoCheck:

ngDoCheck is triggered every time the input properties of a component or a directive are checked. We can use this lifecycle hook to extend the check with our own custom check logic.

#### ngAfterContentInit:

The ngAfterContentInit lifecycle hook is called after ngOnInit when the component or directive's content has been initialised; basically when all the bindings of the component have been checked for the first time.

#### ngAfterContentChecked:

Called after every check of the component or directive's content, effectively when all the bindings of the components have been checked; even if they haven't changed.

#### ngAfterViewInit:

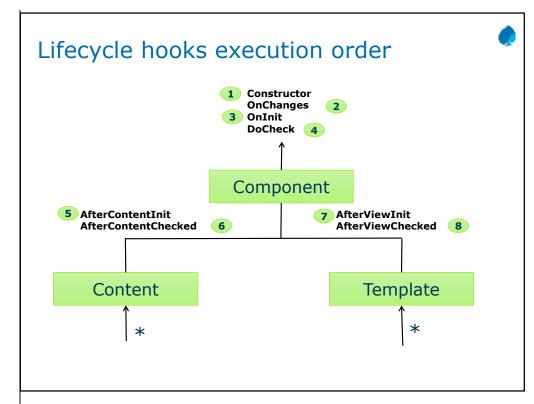
Called after ngAfterContentInit when the component's view has been initialised. Applies to components only.

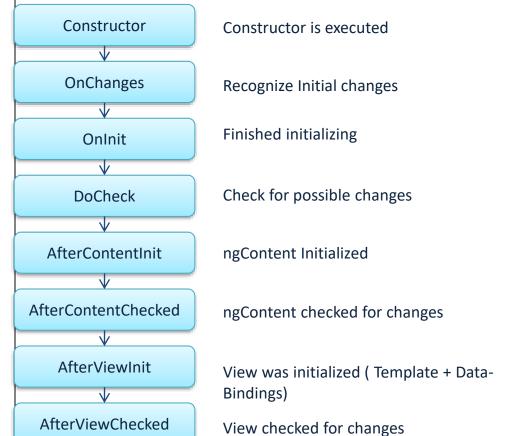
### ngAfterViewChecked:

Called after every check of the component's view. Applies to components only. When all the bindings of the children directives have been checked; even if they haven't changed. It can be useful if the component is waiting for something coming from its child components.

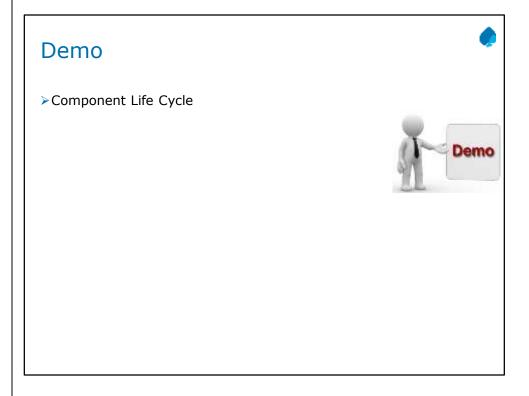
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### Summary



- Every component must be declared in some NgModule and a component can belong to one and only one NgModule
- riangleright exports key is nothing but the list of public components for NgModule.
- ➤ Angular2 Application is a tree of components and the top level component is nothing but the application.
- > Components are Composable.
- Template for a component can be created using InlineTemplate and LinkedTemplate using template and templateUrl respectively.
- >styles and styleUrls keys are used in components to work with styles in Angular 2

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