Routing Basics



Deborah Kurata CONSULTANT | SPEAKER | AUTHOR | MVP | GDE @deborahkurata | blogs.msmvps.com/deborahk/



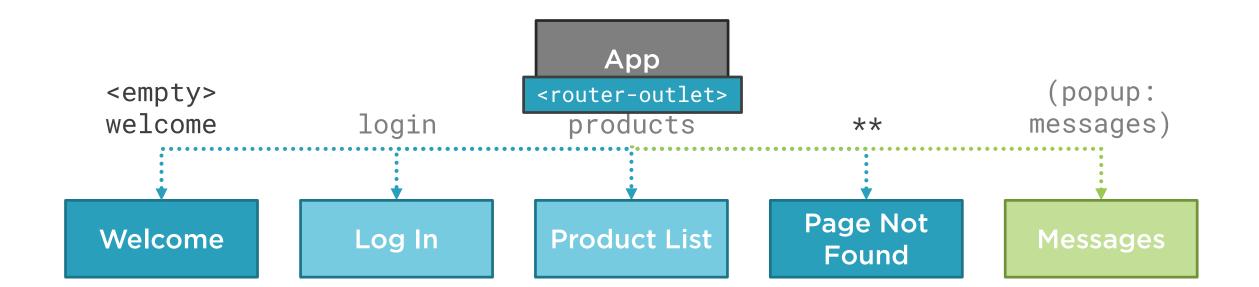
Module Overview



Setting up Basic Routing

HTML 5 vs. Hash-based Urls





···· Primary Routes

Secondary Routes

····· Child Routes



Setting up Routing

Define base path

Import Router

Configure routes

Place template

Activate routes



Defining the Base Path

www.mySite.com/APM/

Used by the router

- Building the Url for navigation

Used by the browser

- Building the Url for downloading and linking



```
<base href="/">
```

- ▼ For development: http://localhost:3000
- ▼ For deployment: http://www.mySite.com/APM/

Resetting the Base Path

(http://localhost:3000)

Manually reset the base path

Use a task runner

Use the Angular CLI

- ng build --base-href /APM/
- ng build --bh /APM/



RouterModule

Service

Configuration

Directives

- RouterLink
- RouterLinkActive
- RouterOutlet



app.module.ts

```
import { RouterModule } from '@angular/router';
. . .
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
    RouterModule
  declarations: [
  bootstrap: [ AppComponent ]
export class AppModule { }
```

RouterModule.forRoot()

Declares the router directives

Manages our route configuration

Registers the router service

Used once for the application

RouterModule.forChild()

Declares the router directives

Manages our route configuration

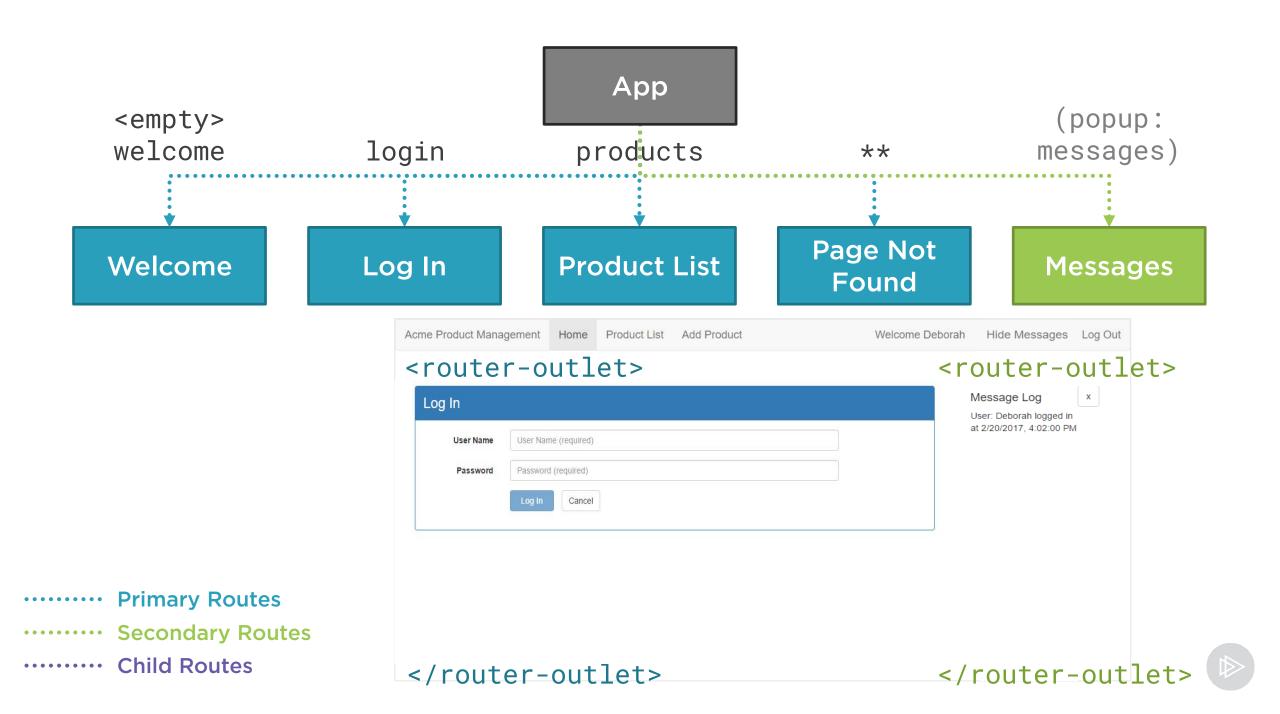
Does NOT register the router service

Used in feature modules



app.module.ts

```
import { RouterModule } from '@angular/router';
. . .
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
    RouterModule.forRoot([])
  declarations: [
    AppComponent
  bootstrap: [AppComponent]
export class AppModule { }
```



Configuring Routes



Redirects



Placing the Templates

app.component.html

Navigating the Application Routes



Menu option, link, image or button that activates a route

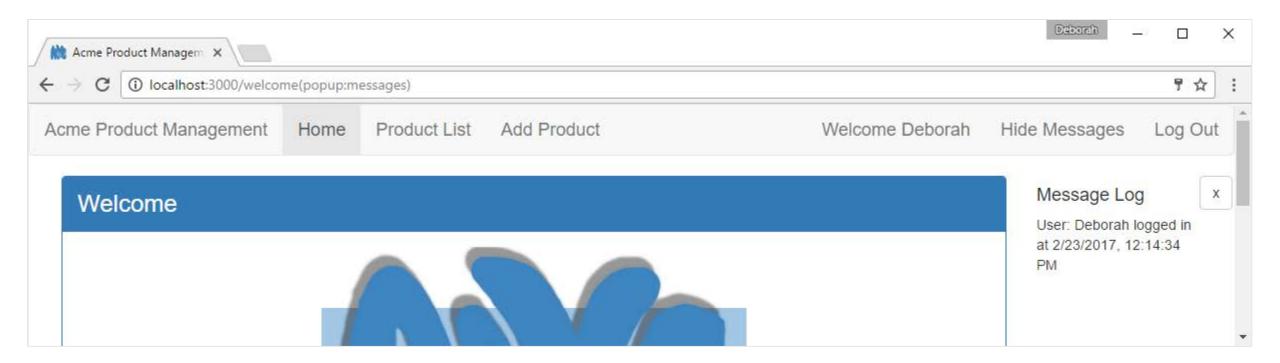
Typing the Url in the address bar / bookmark

The browser's forward or back buttons



Activating a Route

app.component.html





HTML 5 Style (.../welcome)

Leverages HTML 5 history pushState

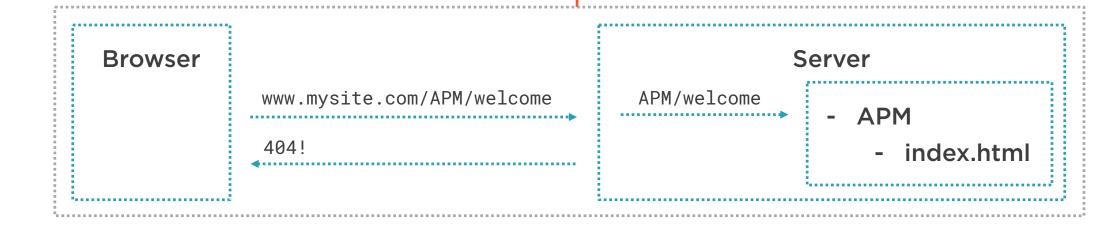
Default

More natural Url

Requires Url rewriting

Hash-based (.../#/welcome)

Leverages Url fragments





HTML 5 Style (.../welcome)

Leverages HTML 5 history pushState

Default

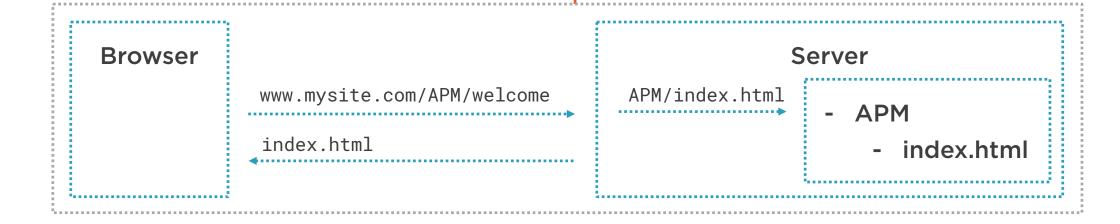
More natural Url

Requires Url rewriting

Hash-based (.../#/welcome)

Leverages Url fragments

Must be set with { useHash: true }





HTML 5 Style (.../welcome)

Leverages HTML 5 history pushState

Default

More natural Url

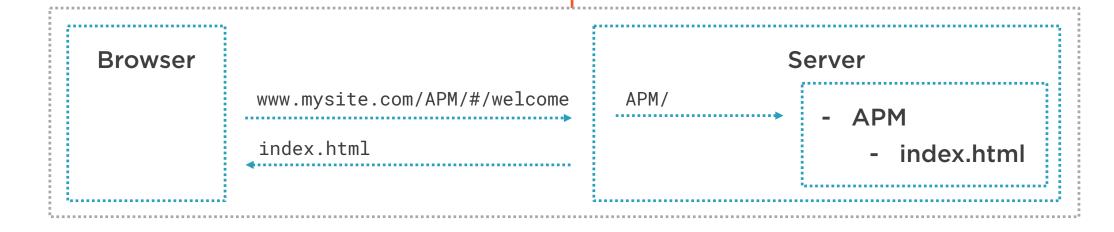
Requires Url rewriting

Hash-based (.../#/welcome)

Leverages Url fragments

Must be set with { useHash: true }

Does not require Url rewriting





Using Hash-based Urls

app.module.ts

```
import { RouterModule } from '@angular/router';
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    BrowserModule,
    RouterModule.forRoot([...], { useHash: true })
  declarations: [
  bootstrap: [ AppComponent ]
export class AppModule { }
```

Basics Checklist: Setting Up



Define the base path

```
<base href="/">
```

Import RouterModule

- Use RouterModule.forRoot() for app routes (one time only!)
- Use RouterModule.forChild() for features

```
@NgModule({
  imports: [
    ...,
    RouterModule.forRoot([])
  ], ...
})
```



Basics Checklist: Configuring Routes



path: Url segment(s) for the route

- No leading slash
- " for default route; '**' for wildcard route
- Casing matters

component

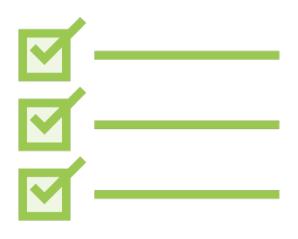
- Not string name; not enclosed in quotes
- Component must be imported

Order matters!

```
{ path: 'welcome', component: WelcomeComponent },
  { path: '', redirectTo: 'welcome', pathMatch: 'full' },
  { path: '**', component: PageNotFoundComponent }
```



Basics Checklist: Placing the Template



Add the RouterOutlet directive

- Identifies where to display the routed component's template
- Primary RouterOutlet normally specified in the App component's template

<router-outlet></router-outlet>



Basics Checklist: Activating a Route



Add the RouterLink directive as an attribute

- Clickable element
- Enclose in square brackets

Bind to a link parameters array

- First element is the root Url segment
- All other elements are route parameters or additional Url segments

```
<a [routerLink]="['/welcome']">Home</a>
```



Summary

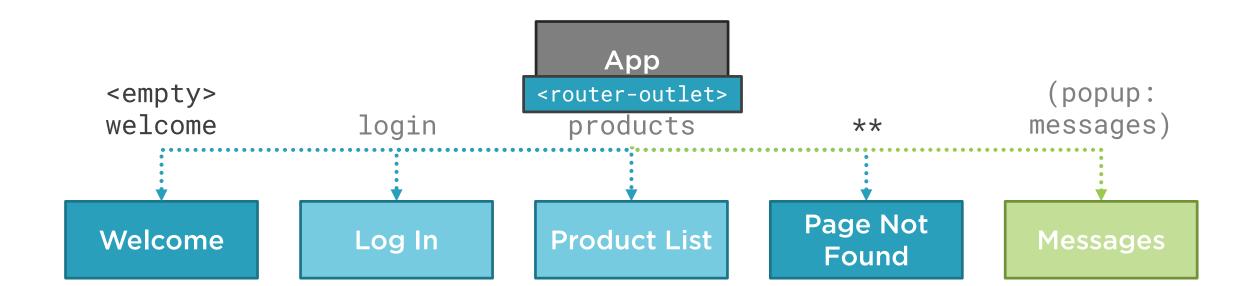


Setting up Routing

- Defining the Base Path
- Importing RouterModule
- Configuring Application Routes
- Placing the Template (RouterOutlet)
- Activating Routes (RouterLink)

HTML 5 vs. Hash-based Urls





··· Primary Routes

Secondary Routes

••••• Child Routes

