# ANGULAR WORKSHOP

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# Agenda

- Need for Frameworks
- Introducing Angular
- Angular Building Blocks
- TypeScript
- Setting up Dev Environment
- Components & Templates
- Data Binding
- Directives
- Services
- Building SPAs using Routing
- Understanding Observables
- Forms & Validation
- Pipes
- Server Communication

# Why Frameworks?

- Software Library
  - Collection of functions
  - Has well-defined interface
  - Reuse of behavior
  - Modular
- Software Framework
  - Provides
    - generic functionality
    - you the ability to customize the functionality according to your app needs
    - reusable environment
    - broad generic structure for your app

# Why Frameworks?

- Library vs Framework
  - Library
    - Your code is in charge
    - Calls into the library when necessary
  - Framework
    - Framework is in charge
    - Calls into your code when needed
- Hollywood Principle
  - Do not call us, we will call you
- Inversion of Control

## Why Frameworks?

- Single Page Apps (SPA)
  - Rich Internet Apps (RiA)
- Model-View-Controller (MVC) / Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM)
  - Data Binding
- Scalable, reusable, maintainable code
- Test Driven Development (TDD)
- Declarative programming

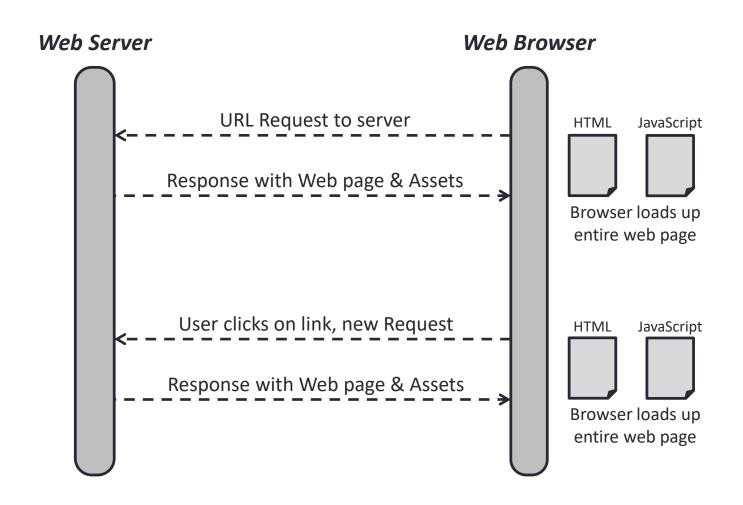
## What is Angular?

- Developed in 2009 by Misko Hevery
- Framework for building dynamic apps for different platforms – Web, Mobile, Desktop
- Create JS apps that are modular, maintainable, testable
- Angular 1
  - AngularJS, quite popular JS framework
- Angular 2
  - Complete re-write of Angular 1
  - Future of Angular
- Angular 4
  - Not a complete re-write of Angular 2
  - It is simply an update to Angular 2
  - No breaking changes

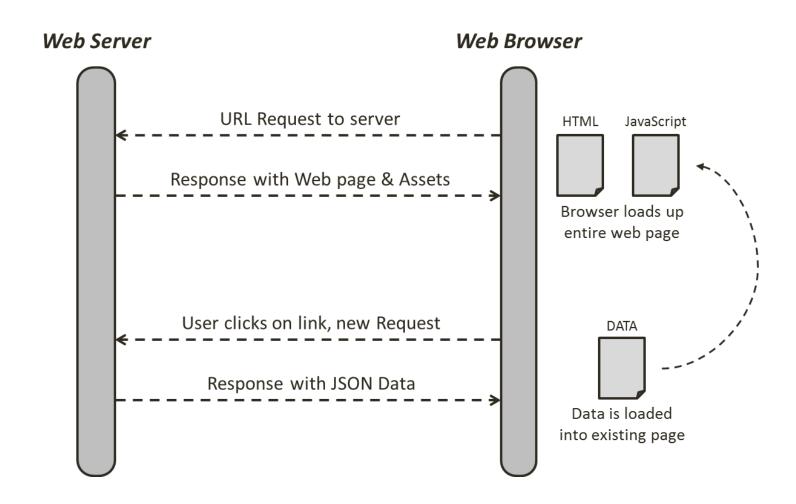
# **Angular Benefits**

- Component based
  - Reusable
- Structures app code
  - Modular, Maintainable
- Mobile support
  - Target multiple devices & platforms
- Decouples DOM manipulation from app logic
  - Testable
- Increased developer productivity
  - Build apps faster
- Move app code forward in the stack
  - Reduces server load, reduces cost
  - Crowd sourcing of computational power

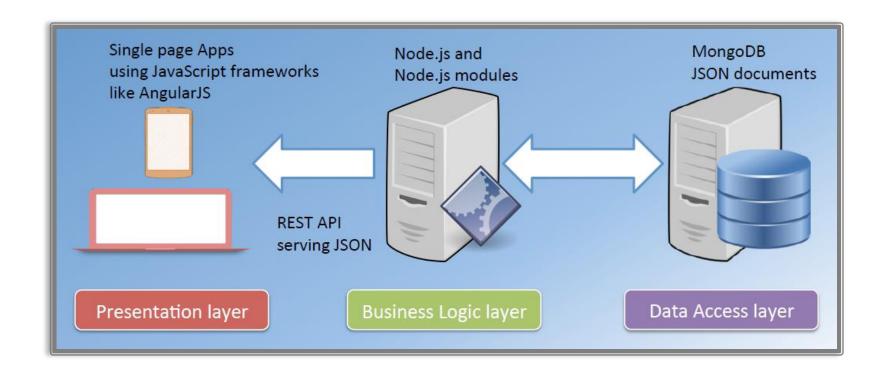
### Traditional Web App Request & Response



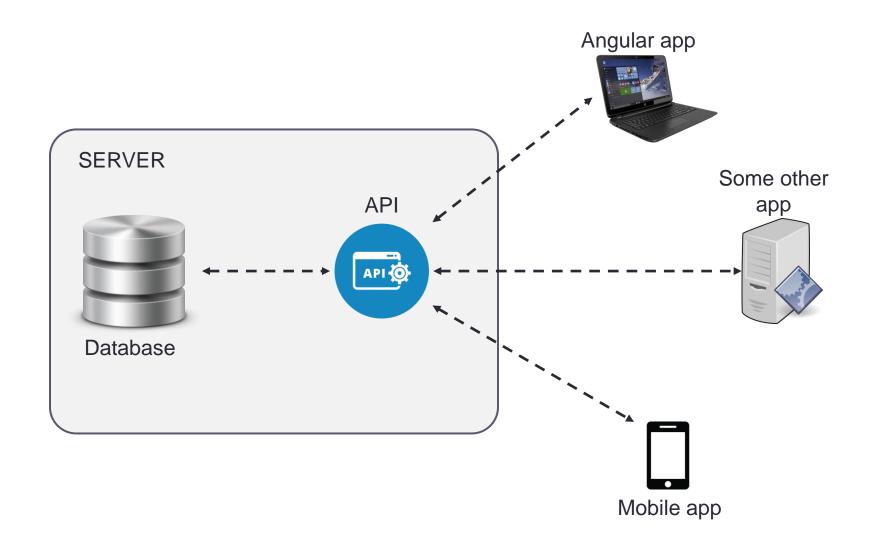
### Angular App Request & Response



# Where does Angular fit?



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# **Angular CLI**

- Toolset that makes creating, managing and building Angular apps very simple
- Great tool for big Angular projects
  - Website: https://cli.angular.io
  - Wiki: https://github.com/angular/angular-cli/wiki
- Requires Node.js
  - https://nodejs.org

```
> npm install -g @angular/cli
```

- > ng new my-first-app
- > cd my-first-app
- > ng serve

# **TypeScript**

- Superset of JavaScript
- Offers more features over vanilla JavaScript
  - Types, Classes, Interfaces, Modules, etc.
- TypeScript does not run in the browser, it is compiled to JavaScript (by CLI)
- Chosen as main language by Angular
- By far most documentation & example-base uses TypeScript
- Why TypeScript?
  - Strong Typing
    - reduces compile-time errors, provides IDE support
  - Next Gen JS Features
    - Modules, Classes, Import, Export, ...
  - Missing JS Features
    - Interfaces, Generics, ...

### Bootstrap

- Add Bootstrap to the project
  - npm install --save bootstrap
- Add reference to bootstrap.css
  - .angular-cli.json
    - In "styles" array, add a reference to "bootstrap.min.css"
    - For e.g., "../node\_modules/bootstrap/dist/css/bootstrap.css"
- How does an Angular app gets started?
  - index.html Served by the server
  - main.ts First file that gets executed
  - app.module.ts Main loads this module
  - app.component.ts
    - Root component of the app
    - App module loads this component at the startup

# Angular Building Blocks

### Components

- Encapsulates the template, data and the behavior of a view
- Completely decoupled from DOM

#### Directives

- To modify DOM elements and/or extend their behavior
- Built-in or custom

### Pipes

Takes in data as input and transforms it to a desired output

#### Services

- Encapsulates any non UI logic
  - Http calls, logging, business logic, etc
- Any logic not related to a view is delegated to a service

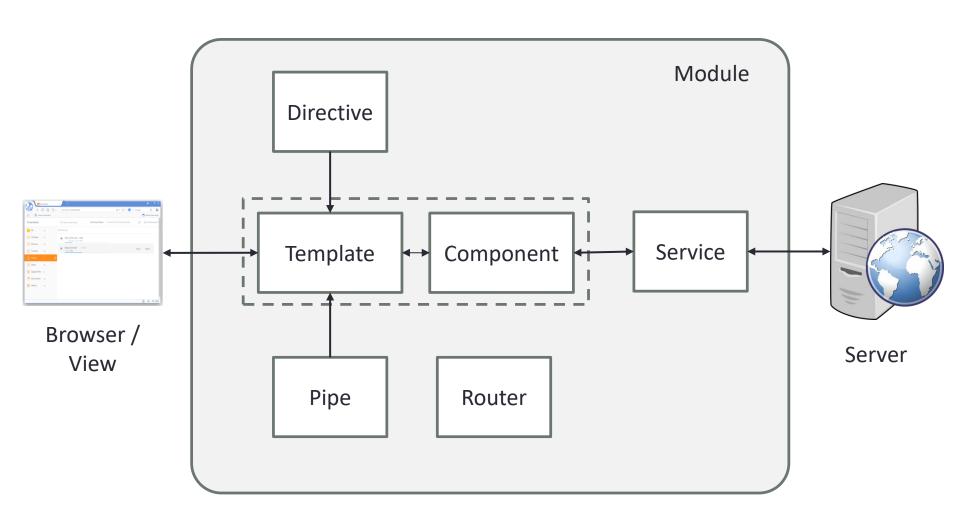
#### Routers

Responsible for navigation from one view to another

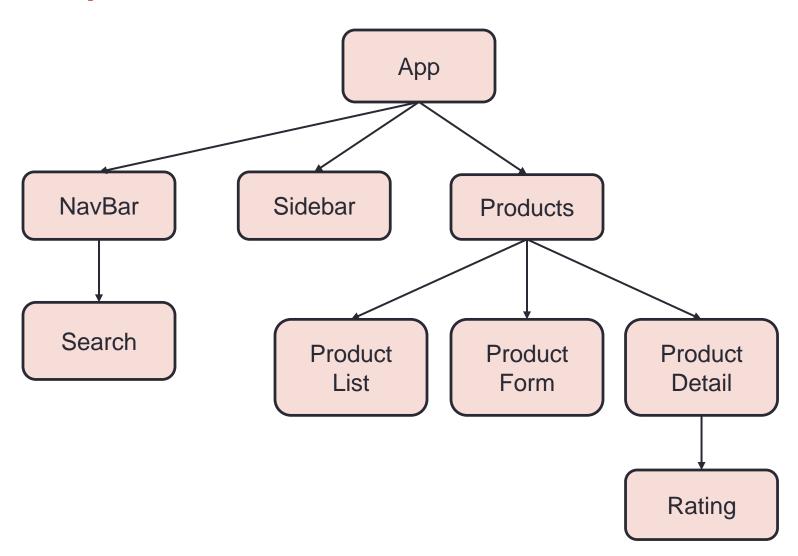
#### Modules

A block of highly related classes

# **Angular Building Blocks**



# Components



## Components

- Key feature of Angular
- Encapsulate the template, data and the behavior of a view
- Allows you to break a complex web page into smaller, manageable & reusable parts
- Plain TypeScript class
- App component
  - Root component
  - Holds our entire application
  - Other components are added to App component
- A Component has its own
  - Template HTML markup
  - Style CSS styles
  - Business logic (data and behavior) TypeScript code
- Promotes
  - Reusability
  - Maintainability
  - Testability

### **Decorators**

- Extends the behavior of a class / function without explicitly modifying it
- Attaches metadata to classes

```
import { Component } from '@angular/core';

@Component({
    selector: 'app-server',
    templateUrl: 'server.component.html'
})
export class ServerComponent {
}
```

### Modules

- Organizes an app into cohesive blocks of functionality
- A class decorated with @NgModule metadata
- Every Angular app has at least one module class, the root module

```
@NgModule({
   imports: [module1, module2, ...],
   declarations: [
      component(s), directive(s), pipe(s), ...
   ],
   providers: [service1, service2, ...],
   bootstrap: [AppComponent]
})
export class AppModule{ }
```

### Exercise

- Creating a new component
  - Create a new file, for e.g., products.component.ts
  - Create a class ProductsComponent
- Understanding Decorator
  - Add decorator @Component()
  - import { Component } from '@angular/core';
  - Provide metadata within @Component decorator
    - selector, templateUrl
- Understanding AppModule
  - Register ProductsComponent within 'declarations' array
  - Import ProductsComponent into AppModule
- Using a component
  - Use the selector <app-products></app-products> within app component template

### Exercise

- Creating a component with CLI
  - ng generate component products
  - ng g c products

## Component Templates & Styles

### Templates

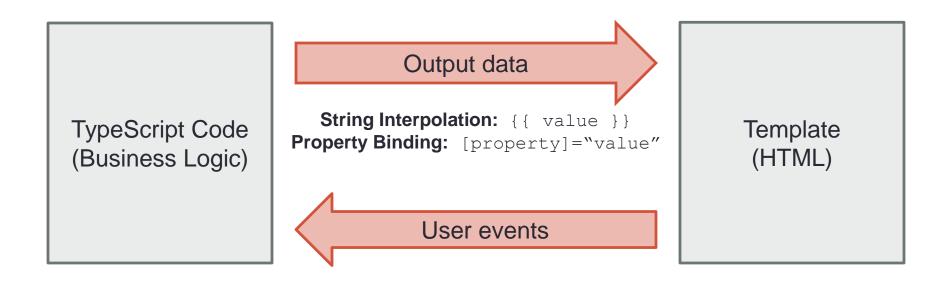
- templateUrl property external template file
- template property inline template

### Styles

- styleUrls property external stylesheet file(s)
- styles property inline styles

# **Data Binding**

 Communication between the TypeScript code and the HTML template



Two-way Binding: [(ngModel)]="property"

Event Binding: (event) = "handler"

### **Data Binding**

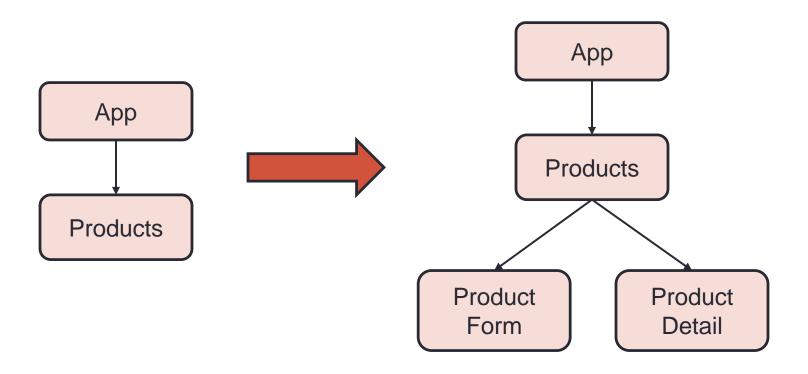
- String Interpolation
  - {{ }}
- Property Binding
  - []
- Event Binding
  - ()
  - \$event Passing event data
- Two-way Data Binding
  - [(ngModel)]
  - Note: FormsModule should be imported in AppModule (imports[] array) to use ngModel

### **Directives**

- Instructions in the DOM
- Components are directives with template
- Can be built-in or custom
- Built-in directives
  - Structural directives
    - Have a leading \*
    - Alter layout by adding, removing, and replacing elements in DOM
    - E.g. \*nglf, \*ngFor
  - Attribute directives
    - Look like a normal HTML attribute
    - Modifies the behavior of an existing element by setting its display value property and responding to change events
    - E.g. ngStyle, ngClass

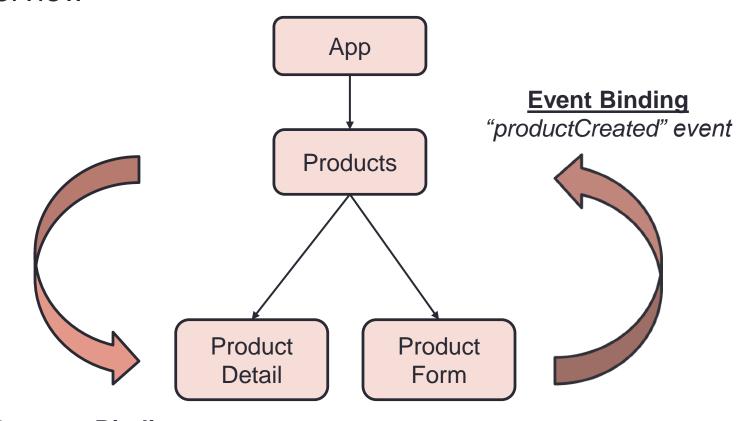
# Component Interaction

Splitting app into multiple components



### Component Interaction

Overview



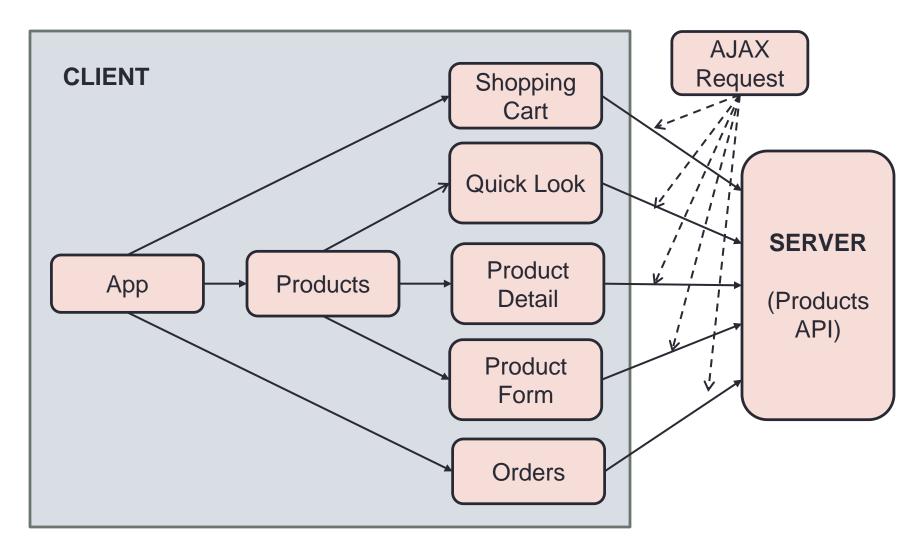
Property Binding "product" property

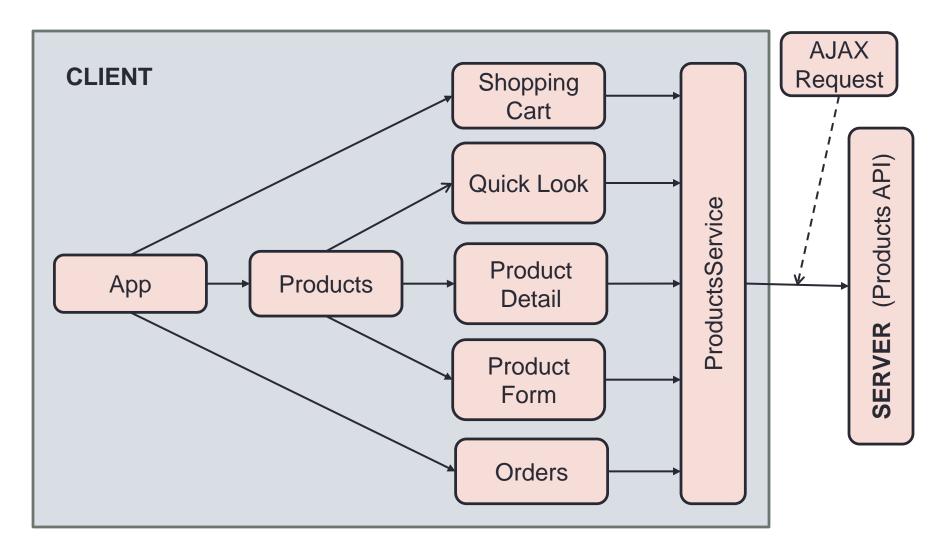
### Component Interaction

- Binding to Custom Properties
  - Pass data from parent to child component
    - @Input() decorator
- Binding to Custom Events
  - Emitting event from child component
    - @Output() decorator
    - EventEmitter<T>
    - eventEmitterObj.emit()

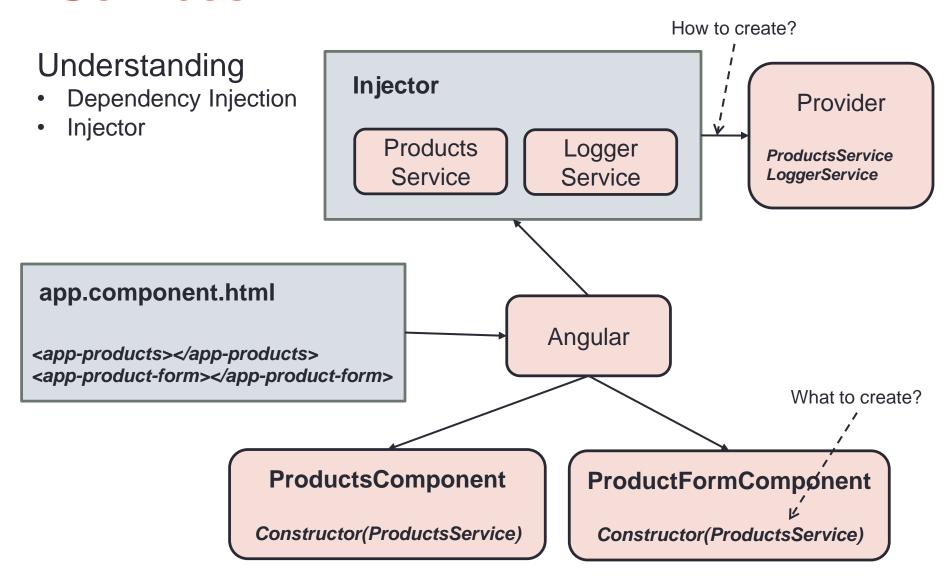
### View Encapsulation

- Understanding View Encapsulation
- @Component()
  - encapsulation: ViewEncapsulation.None
- ViewEncapsulation
  - Emulated default
  - Native
  - None





- A class with a narrow, well-defined purpose
  - For e.g.
    - Logging service
    - Data service
    - Tax calculator
    - App configuration
    - Message bus
- Acts as a central repository/business unit
- Creating a service
- Injecting a service into a component
  - Constructor
  - Providers
    - Component level
    - Module level
- Injecting a service into another service
  - @Injectable()



Controlling the creation of instances of a Service

**AppModule** 

Same instance of Service is available *Application* wide

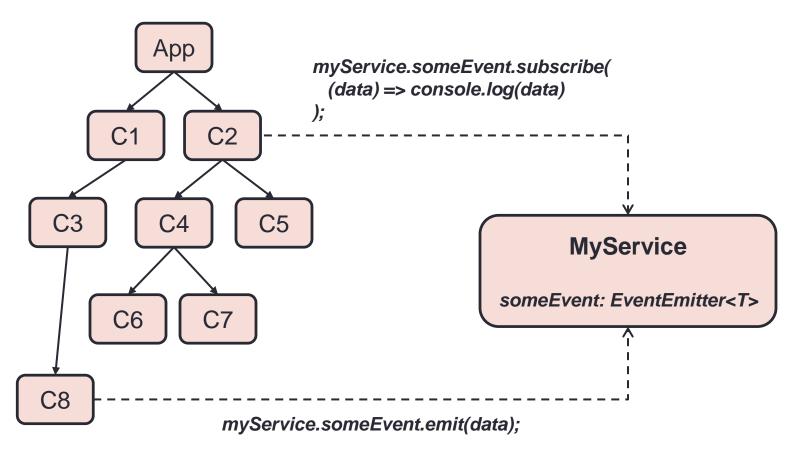
**AppComponent** 

Same instance of Service is available for *all Components* (but not for other services)

Any other Component

Same instance of Service is available for *the Component* and *all its child Components* 

- Cross component communication using a service
  - In the service, expose an event object of type EventEmitter
  - From the source component, invoke *emit()* method, pass necessary data as an argument
  - From the destination component subscribe to the service's event object using subscribe()
    method, pass callback function as an argument



## Routing

- Setting up routes (@angular/router module)
  - Routes
    - Define a constant appRoutes of type Routes
  - RouterModule.forRoot()
    - Register the routes with RouterModule.forRoot()
    - Include this in imports array of app module
- Loading Routes
  - <router-outlet> directive
- Navigating with Router Links
  - routerLink directive
- Styling active links
  - routerLinkActive="active"
  - [routerLinkActiveOptions]="{exact: true}"
- Navigating Programmatically
  - Import Router from @angular/router
  - Inject Router within the constructor
  - Router.navigate(['/products'])

### Routing

- Passing Parameters to Routes
  - [routerLink] = "['/servers', 10]"
- Fetching Route Parameters
  - ActivatedRoute.snapshot.params['id']
  - ActivatedRoute.params.subscribe()
- Passing Query Parameters
  - [queryParams] = "{allowEdit: true}"
- Retrieving Query Parameters
  - ActivatedRoute.snapshot.queryParams[]
  - ActivatedRoute.queryParams.subscribe()
- Setting up Child Routes
- Redirecting and Wildcard Routes
- Outsourcing the Route Configuration

#### Observables

- Can be thought of as a data source
  - E.g. User input event, Http requests
- Used to handle asynchronous tasks
- Object we import from a third-party package rxjs
- Follows Observable pattern
  - Observable
  - Stream timeline
    - Multiple events/data packages emitted by the observable, depending on the data source
  - Observer your code
    - 3 ways of handling data packages
      - Handle Data
      - Handle Error
      - Handle Completion

#### Observables

- Observable rxjs/Observable
  - Observable.interval()
  - Observable.create()
    - Observer rxjs/Observer
    - Observer.next()
    - Observer.error()
    - Observer.complete()
  - Observable.subscribe() returns Subscription (rxjs/Subscription)
- Subject
  - Subject.next()
  - Subject.subscribe()
- http://reactivex.io/rxjs/

- Angular helps
  - To get form values entered by the user
  - To check if the form is valid
  - To conditionally change the way the form is displayed
- Two Approaches
  - Template-Driven Forms
    - Angular infers the form object from the DOM (Template)
    - Good for simple forms
    - Simple validation
    - Easier to create
    - Less code
  - Reactive Forms
    - Form is created programmatically and synchronized with the DOM
    - Good for complex forms
    - More control over validation logic
    - Unit testable

- Template-Driven Forms
  - Make sure that FormsModule is imported within the app
  - Creating a form
    - <form> tag <u>need not</u> have these attributes:
      - action
      - method
  - Registering the controls
    - Include "ngModel" directive
    - Include "name" attribute
  - Submitting the form
    - Include ngSubmit event
    - <form (ngSubmit)="onSubmit(f)" #f="ngForm">
  - Accessing the form with @ViewChild
    - @ViewChild('f') productForm: NgForm;
  - User Input Validation
    - Directives
      - · required, email, minlength, maxlength, pattern
    - Form State
      - pristine / dirty, touched / untouched, valid / invalid
    - CSS
      - ng-pristine / ng-dirty, ng-touched / ng-untouched, ng-valid / ng-invalid

- Using Form State
  - Disable submit button

```
<button type="submit" [disabled]="!f.valid">Save</button>
```

Include CSS classes to provide better user feedback & experience

```
input.ng-invalid.ng-touched {
    border: 1px solid red;
}
```

Display validation messages

```
<span class="help-block" *nglf="!productName.valid && productName.touched">
    Product name is required.
</span>
```

- Using ngModel with one-way and two-way binding
  - [ngModel]="productName"
  - [(ngModel)]="productName"
- Using Form Data
  - productForm.value
- Resetting Forms
  - productForm.reset()

- Reactive Forms
  - The form is created programmatically
    - signupForm: FormGroup
    - FormGroup is imported from '@angular/forms'
  - AppModule
    - Import ReactiveFormsModule from '@angular/forms'
    - Add ReactiveFormsModule to 'imports' array within @NgModule decorator
  - Creating a form in code
    - Preferably use 'ngOnInit()' to create the form
       this.signupForm = new FormGroup({
       'username': new FormControl('default-value', validator),
       'email': new FormControl('default-value', validator)
       });

- Reactive Forms
  - Linking HTML and Form
    - Use 'formGroup' directive to link <form> and form object
      - <form [formGroup]="signupForm">
    - Use 'formControlName' directive to link form control and form object's property
      - <input type="text" id="username" formControlName="username">
  - Submitting the form
    - Use 'ngSubmit' event
      - <form [formGroup]="signupForm" (ngSubmit)="onSubmit()">
  - Adding Validation

    - Import Validators from '@angular/forms'

- Reactive Forms
  - Getting access to controls
    - formObj.get('control-name')
      - E.g.
        - <span \*nglf="!signupForm.get('email').valid" class="help-block">
           Email is required.
        - </span>

### **Pipes**

- Transform output, do not modify the underlying data
- Format the value of an expression for display
- Built-in pipes
  - uppercase
  - date
- Using pipes
- Parameterizing pipes
- Chaining multiple pipes
- Creating a custom pipe
- Parameterizing a custom pipe

### **Server Communication**

# **Q & A**

Thank you!