What does _ngcontent-c# mean in Angular?

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I'm learning Angular 2/4 and I see the html tags with the ng generated attributes: _ngcontent-c0, _ngcontent-c1...

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What does this c value mean?







asked Jul 13 '17 at 13:30



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2 Answers



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_ngcontent-c# attributes are added when you use <code>viewEncapsulation.Emulated</code> - which is default. Angular uses these attributes to target specific elements with the styles. The number <code>c</code> is sort of a unique identifier of the host component. For example, if you have two components with the following templates:



ComponentA





ComponenB

<h1></h1>

Angular will mark all elements with styles inside component A as _ngcontent-c0 and all elements with styles inside component B with _ngcontent-c1:

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</comp-b>
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answered Jul 13 '17 at 13:38



So the root component will be 0 and nested ones would go 1...n? - Maddy Jul 13 '17 at 13:41

Not sure I like or want / need this _ngcontent.. how do i turn it off? - Tom Stickel Jan 11 '18 at 17:45

@TomStickel, what <u>view encapsulation</u> are you using? If you use Native or None, Angular shouldn't add these attributes – Maxim Koretskyi Jan 11 '18 at 17:58

Well I came from Angular 1 world, dabbled with angular 2 - then got into 4, and now new project from scratch with angular 5. I have been using Angular CLI, I have not intentionally added any view encapsulation so this is all new to me. I don't recall the _ngcontent on last contract project with angular 4, so I'm unsure about this "Native" vs "None" - Is angular CLI adding it when I'm using ng serve? - Tom Stickel Jan 11 '18 at 18:24

2 @TomStickel, ViewEncapsulation.Emulated is default mode. It's specified in the Component decorator descriptor properties – Maxim Koretskyi Jan 11 '18 at 18:45



you can disable it by adding below import to your component,

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



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

@Component({
    selector: 'app-dashboard',
    templateUrl: './dashboard.component.html',
    styleUrls: ['./dashboard.component.css'],
    encapsulation: ViewEncapsulation.None
})
export class DashboardComponent implements OnInit {
    constructor() { }
    ngOnInit() {
```

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please note this line:

encapsulation: ViewEncapsulation.None



make no addition of dynamic attribute from angular

answered Feb 20 at 3:49

