# Angular Observable, sharing data within components

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I'm making my first App on Angular. I trying to filter a list of book objects by the gender attribute. I am having difficulty sharing data between components: the filteredData variable and the list of books FireBaseList.

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I am trying to pass the filteredData variable from fixed-nav.component to books-grid.component. From my research, I know I need to make the books-grid.component "bookList" observable of any changes and have the bookList on fixed-nav.component.ts emit an event on any changes on this.bookList



However, I am unable to achieve this. I know there are many questions about observables already but none use Firebase. Hope anyone out there can help me, THANKS!!

fixed-nav.component that I use as filter

```
import { Component, OnInit } from '@angular/core';
import { BookService } from '../../../services/book.service';
import { Book } from '../../../models/book';

@Component({
    selector: 'fixed-nav',
    templateUrl: './fixed-nav.component.html',
    styleUrls: ['./fixed-nav.component.css']
})

export class FixedNavComponent implements OnInit {

Genders: string[];
    bookList: Book[];

constructor(private bookService: BookService) {

    this.Genders = ["Historia", "Literatura", "Infantil",
    "Juvenil", "Poesía", "Narrativa"];
}

filterByGender(gender: string){

    this.bookService.getBooks() // FIREBASE
```

```
item.forEach(element => {
             let x = element.payload.toJSON();
             x["$key"] = element.key;
             this.bookList.push(x as Book)
             const filteredData = this.bookList.filter( function(element){
             return element.gender == gender;
             return filteredData; // I WANT TO SHARE THIS DATA
         })
       ngOnInit() {
books-grid.component.ts
 import { Component, OnInit } from '@angular/core';
 import { BookService } from '.../../services/book.service';
 import { Book } from '../../models/book';
 @Component({
  templateUrl: './books-grid.component.html',
  styleUrls: ['./books-grid.component.css']
   })
  export class BooksGridComponent implements OnInit {
   bookList: Book[];
    constructor(private bookService: BookService) {}
 ngOnInit() {
   this.bookService.getBooks() // FIREBASE
   .snapshotChanges()
   .subscribe(item => {
     this.bookList = [];
       item.forEach(element => {
       let x = element.payload.toJSON();
       x["$key"] = element.key;
```

```
})
book.service.ts
 import { Injectable } from '@angular/core';
 import { AngularFireDatabase, AngularFireList } from 'angularfire2/database';
 import { Book } from '../models/book'; // Model
 @Injectable({
   providedIn: 'root'
 export class BookService {
  bookList: AngularFireList<any>;
  selectedBook: Book = new Book(); // Temporally save selected Book
 constructor(private firebase: AngularFireDatabase) { }
  getBooks(){
     return this.bookList = this.firebase.list('books');
  }
books.model.ts
     export class Book {
       $key: string;
       title: string;
       author: string;
       gender: string;
       language: string;
       image: string;
       likes: number;
       price: number;
       new: boolean;
```





Think about moving any filtering code, or shared lists into the BookService . That way, you can share the full or filtered list from there. Any component that uses the BookService can use them. - R. Richards Jul 14 '18 at 22:31

## 2 Answers



In your book.service.ts create a filterdData variable and function to set filterdData like below. Import Subject using import { Subject } from 'rxjs';







```
filteredData = new Subject<any>();
 setFilteredData(data) {
   this.filteredData.next(data);
```

And then in your fixed-nav.component.ts after done filtration set that filtered data like below

```
this.bookService.setFilteredData(filteredData);
```

Finally subscribe to the filteredData in book.service.ts from books-grid.component.ts like below and assign the data into variable that you want.

```
constructor(private bookService: BookService) {
    bookService.filteredData.subscribe((data)=>{
     // Assign the data into variable that you want e.q this.filteredData = data;
  })
}
```

Hope this will helps you!

- thanks a lot, this is working! gonna try the option above too, do you think it its better option? so i can use that service in any other component Sergi Jul 15 '18 at 1:31
- 1 @Sergi glad to hear that :) . yes, you could use this service other component as well it will work fine coder Jul 15 '18 at 3:00

hey i have a problem, everytime i subscribe to changes, it stacks, like its subscribing to all events, how to instance Subject<any>() so it only subscribe once – Sergi Jul 16 '18 at 12:30

- 1 implements OnDestroy on your component, and inside ngOnDestroy() unsubscribe from the observable. e.g. first declare a subscription: ISubscription; variable and assign this.subscription = bookService.filteredData.subscribe((data)=>{ }) and inside ngOnDestroy() use like this.subscription.unsubscribe(); coder Jul 17 '18 at 2:43 /
- 1 thanks a lot, you just rocks! Sergi Jul 17 '18 at 3:06



you could utilize another shared service, where you update the booklist and then **subscribe** to any change event of this filtered booklist from your **BooksGridComponent** or any other component in need. I edited your code a little bit.

## 1

### Something like this:



Create a new Service, where you return the filtered BooksList as an Observable, so any component can subscribe to it

```
import { Injectable } from '@angular/core';
import { Observable, Subject } from 'rxjs'; // For rxjs 6

@Injectable({
    providedIn: 'root'
})
export class SharedDataService {

    private filteredBookList: Subject<Book[]> = new Subject<Book[]>();
    constructor() {}

    public getFilteredBookList(): Observable<Book[]> {
        return this.filteredBookList.asObservable();
    }

    public setFilteredBookList(books: Book[]): void {
        this.filteredBookList.next(books);
}
```

#### fixed-nav.component.ts:

Here you simply call the SharedDataService and set the filteredBookList.

```
this.sharedDataService.setFilteredBookList(filteredData);
```

## And now in your books-grid.component.ts:

Here you are going to subscribe to any changes of the filteredBookList

```
this.sharedDataService.getFilteredBookList().subscribe((books: Book[]) => {
    // Do Something with the filtered BookList from SharedDataService
})
```

edited Jul 15 '18 at 21:08

answered Jul 15 '18 at 1:03



having some troubles importing 'rxjs/Rx'; - Sergi Jul 15 '18 at 2:14

It should work fine without that import. I edited the answer! - sagat Jul 15 '18 at 20:38