Teams & Office Add-Ins Intro

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Microsoft Teams

Microsoft Teams is a persistent chat-based collaboration platform complete with document sharing, online meetings, and many more extremely useful features for business communications.

It provides

- Teams and channels
- Conversations within channels and teams
- Document storage in SharePoint
- Online Meetings & Online Video Calling and screen sharing

It is extendable using State-of-Art Web Technologies



Microsoft Teams platform UX elements

The Microsoft Teams Platform provides flexible UI elements for apps to take advantage of.

Microsoft Teams platform elements:

- Cards and card actions.
- Task modules.
- Deep links.
- Web content pages.

Extensible points in the Teams client

There are multiple places where the Microsoft Teams client can be extended to allow users to interact with the app.

Options for extending the Teams client:

- Teams, channels and group chats
- Personal apps
- Messages



Immersive experience

The platform places content and conversations side by side.



Tabs and conversations

Tabs give your app a dedicated canvas that allows people to jump between conversations and your experience.



Customizable cards

Cards let you surface important tasks, information, and reminders in actionable ways.



Bot framework

The Bot framework offers a natural language UX that can interact with your services.



Instant notifications

The activity feed displays notifications for your users.



Compose extensions

Compose Extensions are quick and easy shortcuts to key components of your service.

App Studio for Microsoft Teams app development

App Studio streamlines the process of creating manifests and packages for Teams apps.

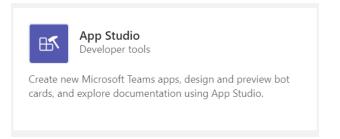
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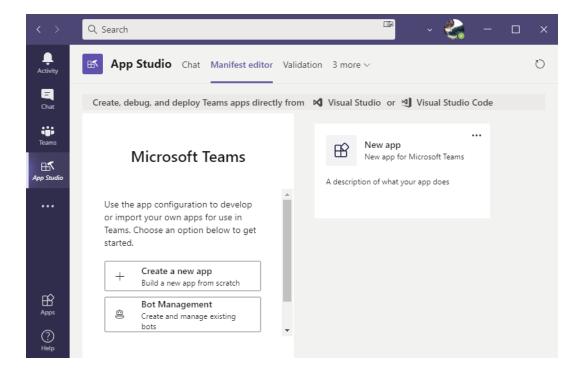
Create and edit app manifests

Design and preview cards

Find documentation

Access UI controls in the React control library







Scaffolding & Basic Commands

Teams Apps are scaffolded using Yeoman Generator for Teams

- npm install -g yo generator-teams
- yo teams

Create the app package

gulp manifest

Build your application

gulp build

Establish an exposed, secure tunnel to your tab

- gulp ngrok-serve
- ngrok URL is changed every time you run ngrok-serve ... unless you have a paid ngrok account



Project Structure

File & Folder structure:

- root folder
- src folder
 - Mainifest fodler
 - Build Manifest: gulp manifest
 - App folder
 - Build App: gulp build
 - Serve App: gulp serve
 - Serve App using ngrok:
 - gulp ngrok-serve

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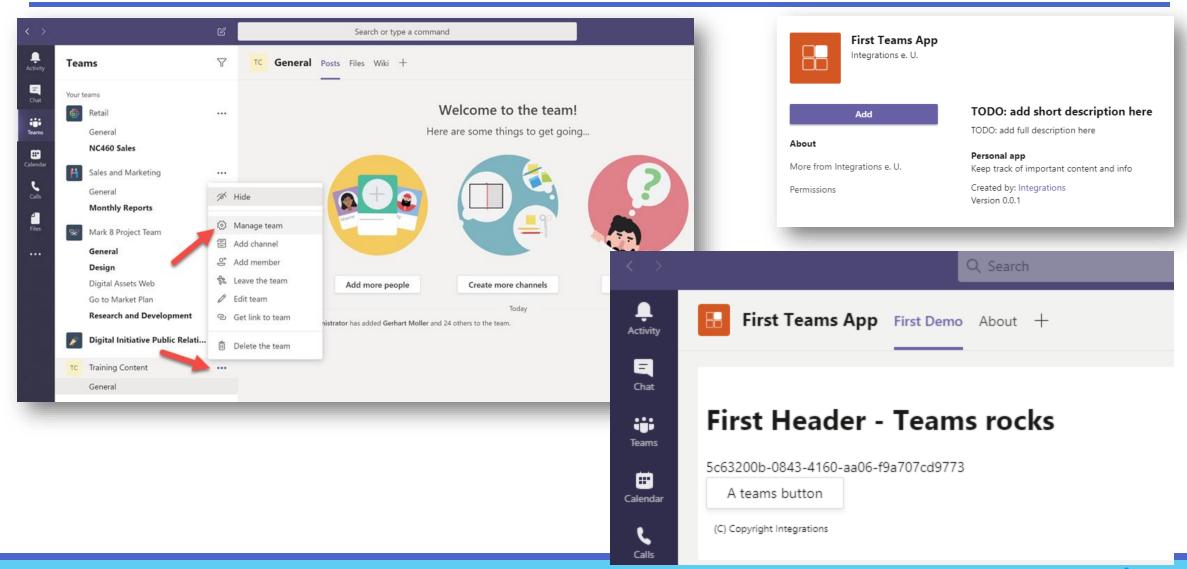
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Add App



Microsoft Teams Toolkit

The Microsoft Teams Toolkit extension enables you to create, debug and deploy Teams apps directly from Visual Studio Code

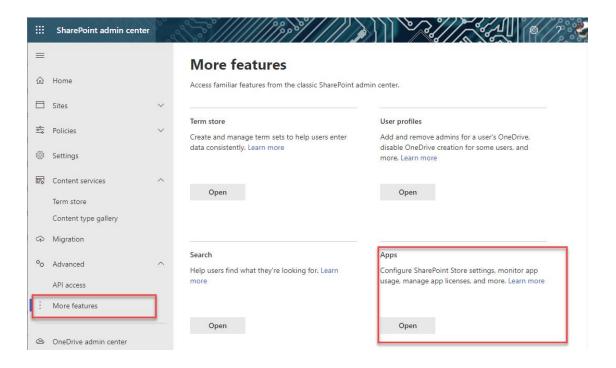


Options for distributing a Teams app

Three options for distributing a Microsoft Teams app.

- Share app package directly.
- Publish app to organizational app catalog.
- Publish app to public App Store.

All app installations in Microsoft Teams are contextspecific





Introduction to Office Add-Ins

Yeoman Generator for Office Add-ins

Includes Office JavaScript API requirement sets.

Use Office JavaScript APIs.

Make asynchronous calls using proxy objects.

Suports common SPAs

- Angular = AngularJS
- To use Angular 10
 - Scaffold Angular Proj
 - Execute yo office from same folder

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(c) 2020 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
Clink v0.4.9 [git:2fd2c2] Copyright (c) 2012-2016 Martin Ridgers
http://mridgers.github.io/clink
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                    Add-in generator, by
                   @OfficeDev! Let's create
                      a project together!
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\$ npm install -g yo generator-office



Office Add-ins manifest

An Office Add-in's XML manifest file defines the settings and capabilities of the add-in. It describes how your add-in should be activated when an end user installs and uses it with Office documents and applications.

Role of the manifest.

Elements defined in a manifest:

- Add-in metadata.
- Information about how add-in integrates with Office.
- Location of images add-in should use for branding & command iconography.
- Permissions add-in requires.
- Dimensions of add-in.
- Rules that specify when add-in should activate in a message or appointment.



Office Add-ins manifest

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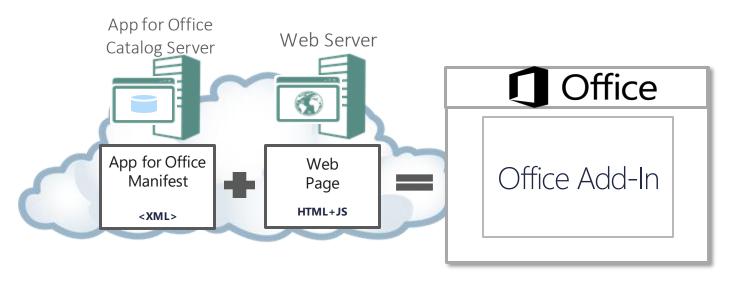
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Anatomy of an Office Add-In

Each App for Office is based on XML-based manifest

- Manifest points to a Web page
- Manifest defines the type of the App for Office
- Manifest defines which Office applications it supports
- Manifest defines required capabilities



Office Add-in programming model

The Office Add-in programming model relies on two JavaScript object models:

Host-specific JavaScript API

 Host-specific APIs for Excel and Word providing strongly-typed objects that you can use to access specific elements in host application.

Common API

- Enables you to access features such as:
 - UI.
 - Dialogs.
 - Client settings that are common across multiple types of Office applications.