

# CROSS-FRAMEWORK COMPONENTS

ArcGIS Portal App

# REUSABLE UI COMPONENTS

Currently we use Dojo's Dijit library to create reusable  
components in both the JS API and Portal

# WHY DIJITS?

- Cross-browser
- Accessible
- Localizable
- Themeable

# PROBLEMS WITH DIJITS

- Lots of complexity
- No future in Dojo 2.0
- Needs wrapping to use with other tools
- Hard to style

How can we build UI components with the wide  
build tools, module systems and app frame

- Angular 1.0 - Developers Site, Open Data Adr
- Angular 2.0 - Insights
- Backbone - Open Data
- Ember - Open Data, Operations Dashboard, V
- Dojo - ArcGIS Online/Portal App
- jQuery - My Stories

# WEB COMPONENTS

New web standard for building reusable UI components

- Custom Elements
- Shadow DOM
- Templates
- HTML Imports

# CUSTOM ELEMENTS

Create custom HTML tags like `<item-rating>`, `<share-button>`. These custom elements behave like `<a>`, `<button>` or `<form>`.

# SHADOW DOM

Create fragments of DOM to isolate styles and components from the rest of the page



# TEMPLATES

Create reusable DOM fragments that can be  
components.

# HTML IMPORTS

Combine HTML, CSS, and JavaScript into a single file.  
CSS and JavaScript can be imported via HTML.

# THE STATE OF WEB COMPONENTS

Feature	Chrome	Firefox	Safari
Custom Elements	✓	✓ (Flag)	?
Shadow DOM	✓	✓ (Flag)	?
Templates	✓	✓	✓
HTML Imports	✓	X	?

Are We Componentized Yet?

# POLYFILLING WEB COMPONENT

Use existing APIs to add support for future standards  
for all browsers back to IE 9.

# PRACTICAL WEB COMPONENTS

- Polyfilled Shadow DOM cannot encapsulate
- Templates are only useful with HTML Imports
- Firefox won't support HTML Imports

# CUSTOM ELEMENTS

Even without Shadow DOM, Templates, and HTML  
Custom Elements are still amazingly useful. Creating a  
simple component to rate an item in Pom

# A SIMPLE ITEM RATING COMP

```
<item-rating  
  itemid="30e5fe3149c34df1ba922e6f5bbf808f"  
  numratings="6"  
  rating="4.25"  
></item-rating>
```

```
var itemRating = new ItemRating({  
  rating: 4.25,  
  numratings: 6,  
  itemid: '30e5fe3149c34df1ba922e6f5bbf808f'  
});  
  
document.body.appendChild(itemRating);
```

# APPS WITH COMPONENT

```
<h1>My Item</h1>

<arcgis-item-rating
  itemid="30e5fe3149c34df1ba922e6f5bbf808f"
  numratings="6"
  rating="4.25"></arcgis-item-rating>

<a onclick="document.getElementById( '#share-modal' ).open(

<calcite-modal id="#share-modal">
  <h2>Share</h2>
  <arcgis-share-button
    itemid="30e5fe3149c34df1ba922e6f5bbf808f"></arcgis-share-button>
</calcite-modal>
```



# INSIDE A CUSTOM ELEMENT

```
class ItemRating extends HTMLElement {  
  createdCallback () {  
    // called when the element is first created  
  }  
  
  attachedCallback () {  
    // called whenever an element is added to the DOM  
  }  
  
  detachedCallback () {  
    // called when the element is removed from the DOM  
  }  
  
  attributeChangedCallback (attribute, oldValue, newValue)  
    // called whenever an attribute changes on an ele  
  }
```

[Full Source](#)

# FRAMEWORK COMPATIBILITY

- Declarative API
- Programatic API
- Backbone
- Angular 1.0
- Angular 2.0
- Ember 2.0
- Aurelia
- JS API

JavaScript libraries like Dojo and jQuery would support both programatic or declarative APIs.

# FUTURE PROOFING

- Move to an app framework in the future
- All app frameworks need to work with DOM
- Other teams can use components from port

# CHALLENGES

- Building and Compiling
- Localization
- Accessibility
- Style Collisions
- Boilerplate

# BUILDING AND COMPILING

Require adding a compiler to compile the ES 2015 code.  
We could use either [Babel](#) or [TypeScript](#) for this  
before the main Dojo build runs.

# LOCALIZATION - SHORT TERM

Use the existing localization tools from D

```
import i18n from 'dojo/i18n!arcgisonline/nls';

class ItemRating extends HTMLElement {
    // ... use ItemRating.i18n
}

const ItemRating.i18n = i18n;
```

This cannot be a permanent solution since it  
components cannot be used outside Porta

# LOCALIZATION - SHORT-MID

Pass i18n strings in as attributes. This means w  
existing i18n capabilities from Dojo or other fra

```
<arcgis-item-rating  
  itemid="30e5fe3149c34df1ba922e6f5bbf808f"  
  numratings="6"  
  rating="4.25"  
  i18n.rating="Rating"  
  i18n.ratings="Ratings"  
  i18n.poor="Poor"></arcgis-item-rating>
```

# LOCALIZATION - LONG TERM

Bundle localizations for each component separately so that other teams do not have to rely on an existing i18n bundle.

This should be discussed in more detail with the team.



# ACCESSIBILITY

Since web components are simply DOM elements, you should use the standard ARIA best practices to ensure they are accessible.

# STYLE COLLISIONS - SHORT

Global CSS will cause all sorts of problems with  
colliding. In the short term for Portal App we can  
Calcite Web will be present.

# STYLE COLLISIONS - MID T

Baring full shadow DOM support from browsers

1. Namespaced selectors `.item-rating-too`
2. Use SASS `@extend` to map `.item-rating-` to proper styles.

Can support both Calcite Web and Calcite Bo

# STYLE COLLISIONS - MID T

Inline styles are becoming a popular way to solve style collision problems. Libraries like [Radium](#) and [CSS Modules](#) are able to solve these problems in absence of Shadow DOM.

See [CSS In JS](#) for more info.

# STYLE COLLISIONS - LONG T

Wait for Shadow DOM to separate styles inside c  
Probably combined with a mid-term solution to  
styles with components.

# BOILERPLATE

Currently custom elements require lots of boilerplate  
setting up attributes, events, properties, ect... is  
time consuming.

# BOILERPLATE - SOLUTION

Use [ES 7 decorators](#) like Ember, Angular, and T

```
@attribute('itemid', String)
@attribute('rating', Number)
@attribute('numratings', Number)
@bindEvent('click', 'a', 'handleStarClick')
@watchAttribute('rating', 'updateRating')
@watchAttribute('numratings', 'updateNumRatings')
@Accessor()
class ItemRating extends HTMLElement {
  // ...

  handleStarClick () { /* ... */ }
  updateRating () { /* ... */ }
  updateNumRatings () { /* ... */ }
}
```

I have some [potentially helpful decorators](#) desi

# IMPLEMENTATION

How do components interact with the Port

1. Requests item details from API
2. Builds components
3. Listens for events like `rateitem`
4. App makes API calls
5. Updates `<item-rating>` attribute



# IMPLEMENTATION

As much as possible components should not know about  
the JS API or the REST APIs.

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UI component shouldn't be dealing with bussiness logic.  
Some components might need maps ect... where we  
need to break this pattern.

# PROPOSED PLAN

Start implementing new item page design using

- Add compilers to build tools
- Break down items page into components
- Begin building components
- Start to wire components to the API

# LONG TERM BENEFITS

- Easy to use an app framework in the future if needed
- Components can be shared with applications on the Portal App
- App becomes highly modular and easy to reason about