Angular Fundamentals

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Single Page Applications (SPAs)

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Drawbacks of Page-Based Sites

- · Typically pages on same site share common features
 - same header, footer, side bar
- · Reloading entire page is slow
 - requires multiple requests (HTML, images, JS and CSS)
 - even if coming from cache browser has to check and load them
 - browser has to redraw entire page, rendering and layout can be slow
- Bad user experience
 - white screen of death while page navigation takes place

Single Page Applications (SPAs)

- · Load a single html page
 - add, hide and display DOM elements dynamically
- Use JavaScript for interactivity
 - handles user interactions, business logic
 - uses XHR to send and request data to and from server
 - transforms data from server into DOM

Deep Linking

- · Often need shareable linking to launch into specific view
 - SPA's only have single URL so need a way to store and share view
- Use # in URL to add state without reloading page
 - e.g. http://example.com/address/index.html/#user/abc1
 - most frameworks provide in built URL router
- · URL Router
 - handles parsing URL on initial page load
 - notified when URL changes
 - tells a view that it should be rendered

HTML5 History API

History API enables:

- 1. client to maintain state even across (local) URL changes
- 2. a URL without using #
- 3. use of the back and forwards buttons

See MDN

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Angular Introduction

- · Open Source Web App Framework from Google
 - announced at ng-Europe conference Sept 2014
- Angular is not a version upgrade
 - it is a complete rewrite
 - with significant differences from Angular 1.x
- · Angular 2+
 - website: angular.io
 - just called 'Angular'
- · Angular 1.x
 - old website: https://angularjs.org/
 - referred to as 'Angular 1' or 'AngularJS'

Angular Releases

The schedule looks like this:

VERSION	DATE
4	March 2017
5	October 2017
6	May 2018
YERSION	Pertember/October 2018
8	March/April 2019

- · Aim for backward compatibility with Angular 2
- Further releases about every 6 months
- · See the
 - blog post
 - Release Schedule

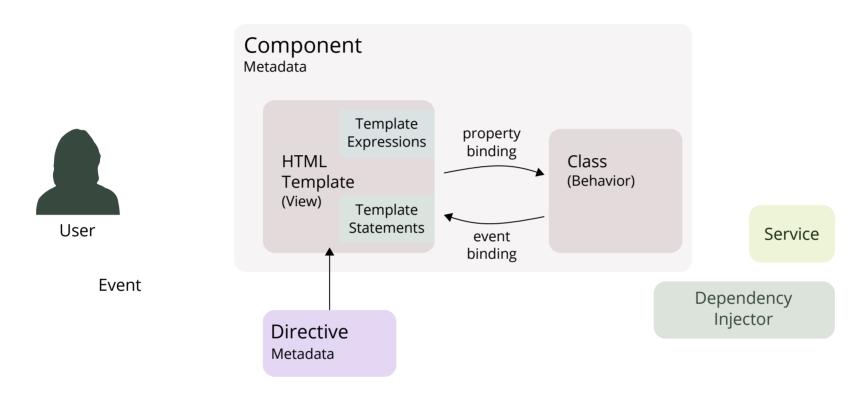
Angular Language Choice

- · Angular allows a choice of languages
 - TypeScript (default and preferred)
 - ES6/ES5 JavaScript
 - Dart
- Typed superset of JavaScript
 - compiles to plain JavaScript
 - addresses many weaknesses of JavaScript
 - supports compile time type checking
 - .ts file extension used with TypeScript
- See http://www.typescriptlang.org/

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Overview of Angular



Using Angular CLI to Scaffold a Project

Angular CLI

- · makes developing Angular apps much easier
- · provides development environment with short feedback loop
- · can generate production builds too
- provides support for testing

Useful Resources

- Angular
 - https://angular.io/docs/ts/latest/
- Angular Tutorials
 - https://angular.io/docs/ts/latest/tutorial
 - http://www.tutorialspoint.com/angular2
- · Angular API
 - https://angular.io/docs/ts/latest/api
- · Curated list of resources
 - https://www.npmjs.com/package/awesome-angular2

Exercise

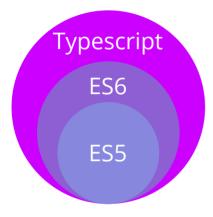
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Typescript Primer

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What's Typescript?

TypeScript is a typed superset of JavaScript:



TypeScript is typically compiled to JavaScript:



Typescript's Goals

TypeScript goals:

- Provide an optional type system for JavaScript
- · Provide planned features from future JavaScript editions to current JavaScript engines

Why TypeScript?

- 1. Introduces a compile-time step
 - · Helps catch errors earlier
- 2. Type Checking
 - · Ditto
- 3. Edit-Time Support
 - IDEs and Code Editors have plugins
 - Syntax checking and Intellisense

Compiling Plain JavaScript - 1

Even with plain JavaScript, the TypeScript compiler can reveal errors:

```
JavaScript
let s = 'hello';
let i = s + 3;
i++;
```

```
$ tsc why-typescript-1.ts
why-typescript-1.ts(3,1): error TS2356: An arithmetic operand must be of type 'any', 'nu
$
```

Compiling Plain JavaScript - 2

TypeScript even understands the difference between mouse events and key events:

```
JavaScript
let el = document.getElementById('input1');
el.addEventListener('mousedown', event => {
   console.log(event.key);
});
```

```
$ tsc why-typescript-2.ts
why-typescript-2.ts(4,21): error TS2339: Property 'key' does not exist on type 'MouseEve
$
```

Type Inference

We haven't explicitly specified the types we're using

• TypeScript is *inferring* the types from the code

IDE Support

If your IDE supports TypeScript, you can catch errors even earlier:

```
let el = document.getElementById('input1');

el.addEventListener('mousedown', event => {
    console.log(event.key);
});

Property 'key' does not exist on type 'MouseEvent'.
```

Installing TypeScript

To install:

```
$ npm install -g typescript
```

Check version:

```
$ tsc -v
Version 2.4.1
```

Compiling TypeScript

To compile:

· Many more options available - see tsc -h

Compiling TypeScript - Options

Here's an example in which we specify two options:

```
$ tsc --target ES5 --experimentalDecorators myapp.ts
```

- target ES5 tells the compiler to generate ES5 code
- experimentalDecorators enables language support for decorators

Compiling TypeScript - tsconfig.json

There may be many options

- · To make it easier, you can specifyy them in tsconfig.json
- This one corresponds to the previous example:

```
"compilerOptions": {
    "target": "ES5",
    "experimentalDecorators": true
}
```

· Place your tsconfig.json at the root of your source tree

A more complex tsconfig.json

```
"compilerOptions": {
 "module": "system",
 "noImplicitAny": true,
 "removeComments": true,
 "preserveConstEnums": true,
 "outDir": "../dist/out-tsc",
 "sourceMap": true
"include": [
 "src/**/*"
"exclude": [
 "node modules",
 "**/*.spec.ts"
```

Type Annotations

Your JavaScript is TypeScript

- · Plain JS is still emitted, even with type errors
 - Old code still works
 - You can add TypeScript to your codebase progressively

Declarations and Declaration Files

Many libraries are written in pure JavaScript

- · for these, we can use 'type definition files'
 - they supply types for third party libraries
- · a huge number are available at DefinitelyTyped
 - to consume, see consumption

Declaring Variables

To declare a variable, we can do one of these:

 Declare the type and value in one statement:

```
let s: string = 'hello';
```

· Declare the type only:

```
let s: string;  // value is set to undefined
```

· Declare value only:

```
let s = 'hello';  // type is inferred from value
```

Declare neither value nor type:

```
let s;  // type is any; value is undefined
```

Classes

To define a class:

```
class Point {
    x: number;
    y: number;
    constructor(x: number, y: number) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    }
    add(point: Point) {
        return new Point(this.x + point.x, this.y + point.y);
    }
}
```

And to use it:

```
JavaScript
let p1: Point = new Point(0, 10);
let p2 = new Point(10, 20);
let p3 = p1.add(p2);
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```

Static Members

TypeScript supports the proposed static members:

```
class Point {
  static instances = 0;
  x: number;
  y: number;
  constructor(x: number, y: number) {
    Point.instances++;
    this.x = x;
    this.y = y;
  }
  add(point: Point) {
    return new Point(this.x + point.x, this.y + point.y);
  }
}
```

Inheritance

We can inherit from a base class like this:

```
class Point3D extends Point {
    z: number;

constructor(x: number, y: number, z: number) {
    super(x, y);
    this.z = z;
}

add(point: Point3D) {
    var point2D = super.add(point);
    return new Point3D(point2D.x, point2D.y, this.z + point.z);
}
```

Interfaces

· TypeScript extends JavaScript and supports interfaces:

```
JavaScript
interface ClockInterface {
  currentTime: Date,
  setTime(d: Date): void
class Clock implements ClockInterface {
  currentTime: Date;
  constructor(d: Date) {
    currentTime = d;
  setTime(d: Date) {
    currentTime = d;
```

Access Modifiers

TypeScript supports a variety of access modifiers:

```
class Foo {
  public x: number;
  private y: number;
  protected z: number;
}
```

MODIFIER	ACCESSIBLE WHERE?	
public	Anywhere (default)	
private	Only within the class	
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Constructor Parameter Properties

Instead of this...

```
class Person {
  private firstName: string;
  private lastName: string;

constructor(firstName: string, lastNa
  this.firstName = firstName;
  this.lastName = lastName;
}
```

· If allows this: you

```
class Person {
    constructor(private firstName: stri
    }
}
```

prefix a constructor argument with an accessibility modifier, TypeScript creates the property and initializes it from the argument

Generics

You can define generic classes and functions like this:

```
class MyClass<T> {
  public count: T;
  print(x: T) {
    console.log(x);
  }
}
```

Now to instantiate it:

```
JavaScript
let gn = new MyClass<number>();
gn.count = 0;
```

Generic Constraints

You can also specify constraints:

```
class Logger<T extends Lengthwise>(arg: T): T {}
```

· This says that Logger must be instantiated with a type or subtype of Lengthwise

Enum

Enumerated types let you assign identifiers to numeric constants:

```
enum Direction {
   Up, Down, Left, Right
}
let x = Direction.Up;
```

```
enum Compass{
  North = 0, East = 90, South = 180, West = 270
}
let y = Direction.North;
```

Functions

```
function add(firstName: string, lastName: string): string {
  return firstName + " " + lastName;
}
```

Functions - Optional Parameters

- · In JS, parameters are optional
 - In TS, they're mandatory unless nullable
- optional parameters are postfixed with '?':

```
function add(firstName: string, lastName?: string): string {
  return firstName + (lastName ? " " + lastName : '');
}
```

Functions - Default Parameters (ES6)

Functions can declare default parameter values:

```
JavaScript
function hello(who: string = 'world') {
  console.log(`Hello, ${who}!`);
}
```

Functions - Rest Parameters (ES6)

- Rest parameters
 - allow a variable length set of arguments

Arrow Functions

Arrow Functions are similar to lambdas in other languages:

```
let numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9];
let oddNumbers = numbers.filter(number => {
    return number % 2;
});
```

Or more simply:

```
JavaScript
let numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9];
let oddNumbers = numbers.filter(number => number % 2);
```

Functions as Parameters

- Functions can be passed as parameters to other functions
 - A function that accepts or returns another function is called a *Higher Order Function*

Here's an example of how such a parameter is defined in TypeScript:

```
function runner(func: (n: string) => void) {
  func("Hello World!");
}
```

Decorators

Decorators enable you to annotate and modify classes, functions and properties:

A decorated class:

```
@sealed
class Greeter {
    ...
}
```

The decorator definition:

```
JavaScript

function sealed(constructor: Function)
   Object.seal(constructor);
   Object.seal(constructor.prototype);
}
```

Decorators can be attached to class declarations, methods, accessors, properties, or parameters

· Decorators can also take parameters:

```
@isTestable(true)
class MyClass { }
```

Duck Typing

- · Question: are two different types *type compatible*?
 - Can I use one type in a place expecting the other?
- TypeScript offers "duck typing" or structural typing
 - We say types are related to each other if they have common members

Example

```
interface Action {
  type: string
}
```

```
let a: Action = {
  type: "literal"
};

class NotAnAction {
  type: string;
  constructor() {
    this.type = "Constructor function (
  }
}

a = new NotAnAction(); // valid TypeScr
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```

Constants

Constant values can't be reassigned:

```
const MAX: number = 100;
```

- · you must provide a value
- · const is block scoped

With an object, it's the variable reference that's constant, not the object:

```
JavaScript
const p = new Person('John');
p = new Person('Bob'); // ERROR
```

```
JavaScript
const p = new Person('John');
p.name = 'Bob'; // Legal
```

· Can't reassign p

But can change properties of the object p
 refers to

TypeScript Resources

Useful Resources

- TypeScript Tutorial
- ECMAScript 6 (ES 6)
- Quick Start Guide
- Dr Dobbs TypeScript Introduction

Components

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Views and Templates

Defining a Component

To define a component:

- · create a component class
- specify metadata by decorating it with @Component:

app.component.ts

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

@Component({
    selector: "app-root",
    templateUrl: "./app.component.html",
    styleUrls: ["./app.component.css"],
})

export class AppComponent {
    message = "App works!";
}
```

app.component.html

Creating and Adding a New Component

To create and add a new component to your app:

- 1. Create the component class file
 - · For example, mything.component.ts
 - · Write the component and template
- 2. Add the component to your application's module
- 3. Insert the component's selector where you want that component to appear

Common @Component Properties

PROPERTY	DESCRIPTION	
selector	css selector that identifies this component in a template	
providers	list of providers available to this component and its children	
template	inline-defined template for the view	
templateUrl	url to an external file containing a template for the view	
styles	inline-defined styles to be applied to this component's view	
styleUrls	list of url sheets to be applied to this component's view	
exports	list of components to export from module	
PROPERTY	DESCRIPTION	

```
@Component({
    selector: "app-root",
    templateUrl: "./app.component.html",
    styleUrls: ["./app.component.css"],
    providers: [AppStateService]
}) export class AppComponent { ... }
```

Component Templates

Templates can be defined either:

· inline

```
JavaScript
@Component({
    selector: 'app-root',
    template:
        <h2>App Root</h2>
        <div>{{ name }}</div>
})
export class AppComponent {...}
```

· Or externally in a separate file

```
@Component({
    selector: 'app-root',
    templateUrl: './app.component.html'
})
export class AppComponent {...}
```

· app.component.html

```
<h2>App Root</h2>
<div>{{ name }}</div>
```

Component View Styles

Styles can be defined either:

- Inline within the Component declaration
 - via the styles property

```
@Component({
    selector: 'app-root',
    templateUrl: './app.component.html',
    styles: [`
    .selected {
       background-color: #CFD8DC;
       color: white;
    }
    `]
})
export class AppComponent {...}
```

- Externally to the Component
 - via the styleUrls property

```
@Component({
   selector: 'app-root',
   templateUrl: './app.component.html',
   styleUrls: ['./app.component.css']
})
export class AppComponent {...}
```

Components and Modules

- · A component must belong to an NgModule
 - Place it in the declarations property

```
import { BrowserModule } from '@angular/platform-browser';
import { NgModule } from '@angular/core';
import { FormsModule } from '@angular/forms';
import { AppComponent } from './app.component';
@NgModule({
 declarations: [ AppComponent ],
  imports: [
   BrowserModule,
   FormsModule
 bootstrap: [AppComponent]
})
export class AppModule {...}
```

Components and Data Members

- · Components can define data members
 - may be variable or constant
 - that can be referenced within a template can be used with one or two way binding

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

@Component({
    selector: 'app-root',
    templateUrl: './app.component.html'
})
export class AppComponent {
    name = 'John';
}
```

app.component.html

Property Binding

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What's Data Binding?

Data Binding connects the UI to the business logic

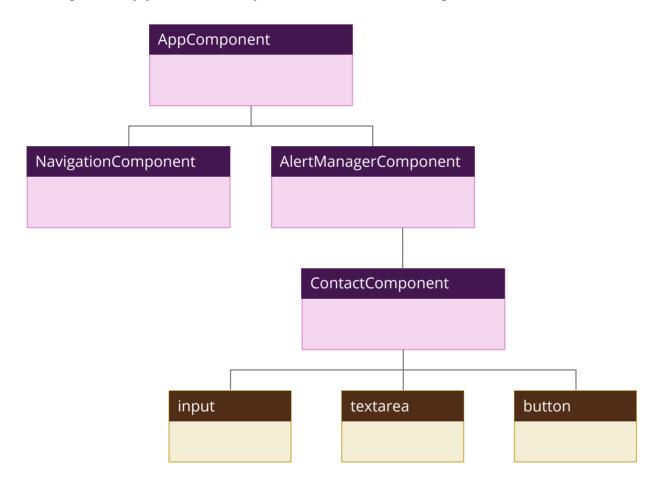
- · We avoid manual DOM updates
 - Instead, we declare our needs to the *data binding layer*
- We just say "bind this UI thing to that data thing"
 - When data changes, the framework ensures the UI showing that data is kept in sync

Property Binding

- · A component or DOM element exposes *properties*
 - Properties are often initialized from attributes in HTML

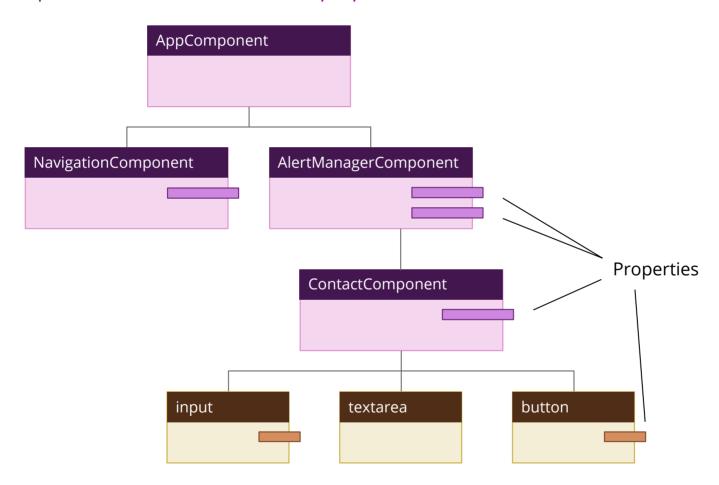
The Component Hierarchy

As you build your app with components, a hierarchy forms:



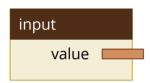
Properties

Each component or DOM element has *properties*:



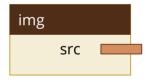
Examples of Properties

An <input> element has an in-memory value property:



· it contains the value currently entered in the input box

An element has an in-memory src property:



• the image is displayed from the URL provided to the **src** property

HTML attributes vs. DOM properties

- · We don't bind to HTML attributes
 - We bind to DOM properties instead

HTML ATTRIBUTE	DOM PROPERTY
Exists in HTML page/template	Exists 'live' in browser memory (DOM)
Specifies <i>initial</i> value	Holds current value
Can't be updated over time	Changes over app's lifetime

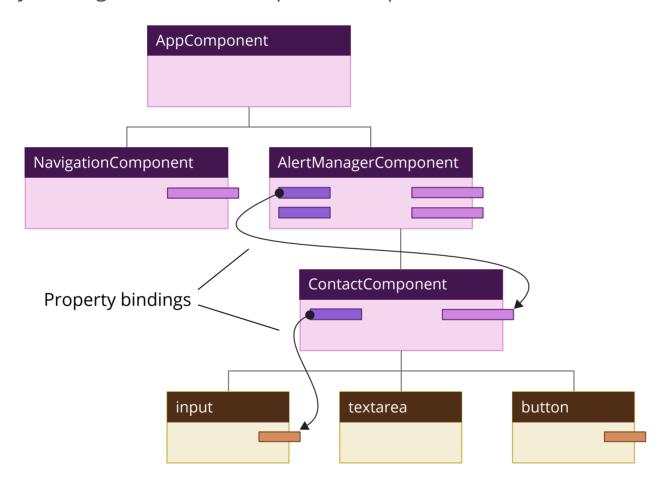
Example

```
HTML
<input type="text" value="Dave">
```

- Attribute value just initializes the same property, value
- Typing text into the input box updates the value property, but not the value attribute

Property Bindings

Property bindings enable our components to pass data to each other:



The Component

The (simple) component looks like this:

```
JavaScript
import { Component } from '@angular/core';
@Component({
  selector: 'my',
  template: `
    <a [href]="site.url" [textContent]="site.name"></a>
})
export class MyComponent {
  site = {
    name: 'Internet Movie Database',
    url: 'https://www.imdb.com/'
  };
```

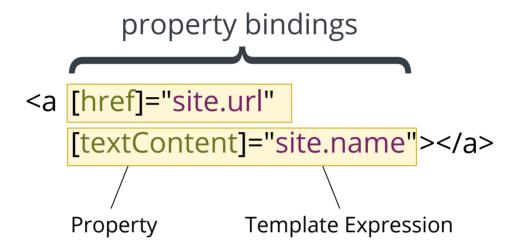
Specifying a Property Binding -- 1

This anchor tag specifies two *property bindings*:

```
<a [href]="site.url"
[textContent]="site.name"></a>
```

Specifying a Property Binding -- 2

These bind a property to a *template expression*:

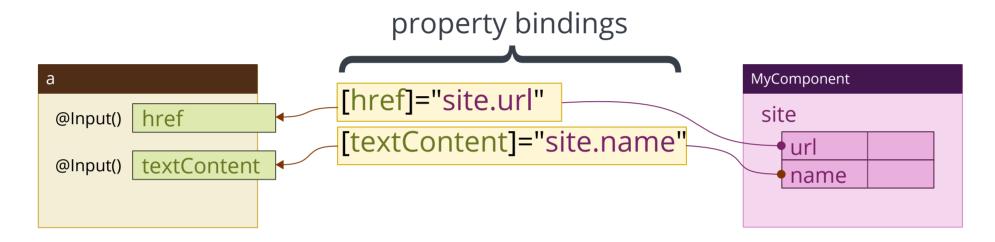


Property A property is in-memory and belongs to a component or DOM element

Template Expression A template expression is similar to a JavaScript expression

Specifying a Property Binding -- 3

Here are the two items that are bound:

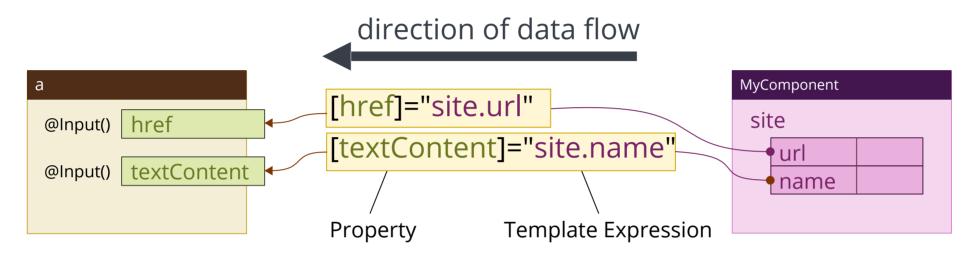


This says:

- have the href property always reflect the current value of MyComponent's site.url value;
 and
- have the textContent property (the visible link) always reflect the current value of MyComponent's site.name value

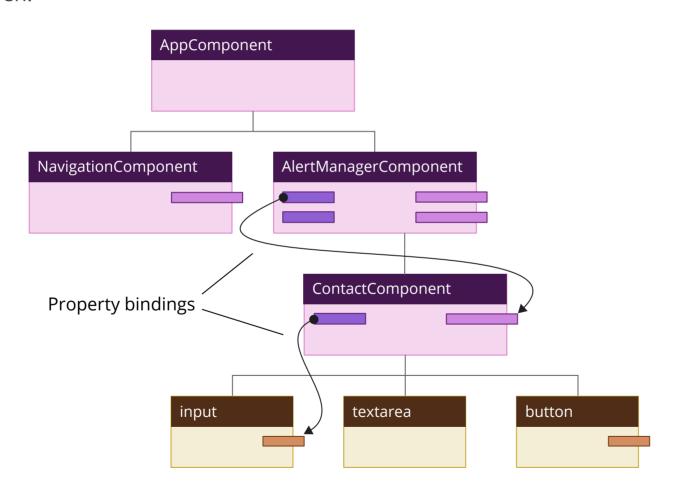
Specifying a Property Binding -- 4

Data flows from component to a target element or component:



Data Flows Downwards

So property bindings are a way of passing data downwards, from parent components to their children:



More Examples of Property Binding

Have an image source synchronized to a URL:

```
<img [src]="myPhotoUrl">
```

Bind a blog post title to a heading's contents:

```
<h1 [textContent]="blogpost.title"></h1>
```

Only enable a submit button when the isValid flag is true:

```
<button [disabled]="!isValid" type="submit">Submit
```

Provide a Person object to our ContactDetailsComponent:

"bind-" Syntax

As an alternative, Angular also supports this syntax:

```
<img bind-src="myPhotoUrl">
```

This is equivalent to:

```
<img [src]="myPhotoUrl">
```

Interpolation vs Property Binding

- · Angular converts interpolation into property binding
- · However:
 - Interpolation can be very expressive
 - It only converts to *strings*

In this example, these do the same thing:

```
<img src="{{myPhotoUrl}}">
<img [src]="myPhotoUrl">
```

Types of Property Binding

There are three types of property binding. 1. Element property 2. Directive property 3. Component property

Kinds of Data Binding

Angular supports these kinds of data binding:

DIRECTION	DATA UPDATES	SYNTAX	TYPE
One-way	From data source to view target	{{template expression}}	Interpolation
		[target]=expression	Property
			Attribute
			Class
			Style
One-way	From view target to data source	(target)="statement"	Event
		on-target="statement"	
Two-way		[(target)]="expression"	Two-way
DIRECTION	DATA UPDATES	SYNTAX	TYPE

Handling Events

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Handling Button Click Events

To handle a button click event:

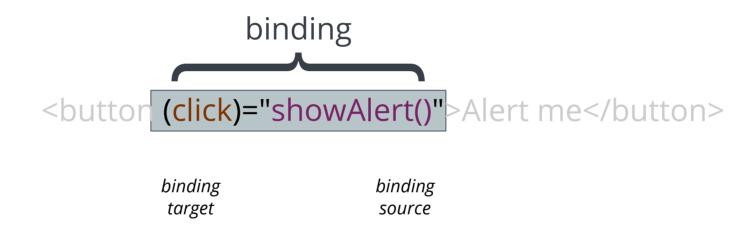
Data Binding -- 1

In this snippet from the previous slide:

<button (click)="showAlert()">Alert me</button>

Data Binding -- 2

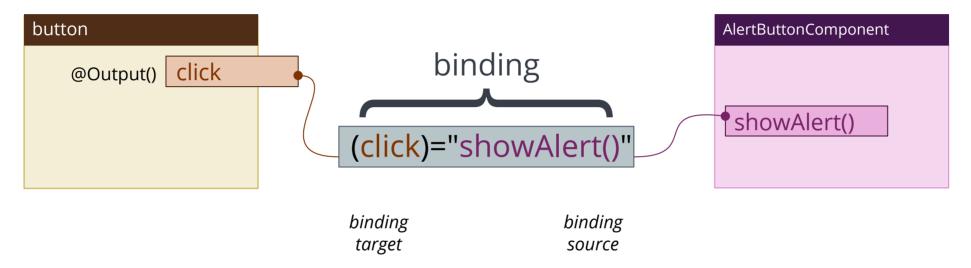
This expression is a binding:



- the (click)="showAlert()" is a data binding
 - more specifically, an *output binding*:

Data Binding -- 3

It means "bind this target to this source":



This means:

- · "when the button raises a click event..."
 - "call the showAlert() method in this component's class"

The Sevent Parameter

To pass data to the method, we use the special **\$event** parameter:

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

@Component({
    selector: 'alert-button',
    template: `<button (click)="showAlert($event)">Alert me</button>`,
})

export class AlertButtonComponent {
    showAlert(e) {
        alert('Button clicked');
        console.log(e);
    }
}
```

• The **\$event** name refers to the data emitted by the binding target

Common DOM Events

- · Common events are listed on MDN:
 - https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events
- · Your components can generate events too
 - More later...

Event Methods

Just as in the standard DOM, Angular supports the following methods:

```
myEventHandler(event) {
  event.preventDefault();
  event.stopPropagation();
}
```

- preventDefault() prevents the default action
 - for a , the default is 'go to url';
 - for a <button type="submit">, the default is to submit the form
- stopPropagation() stops the event propagating up the element hierarchy

Directives

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Directives

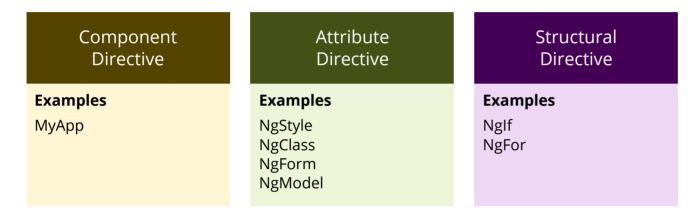
- · HTML has a finite, limited vocabulary
 - ul> renders an unordered list
 - <video> renders a video
- · Why can't we *extend* HTML to add our own, so they could:
 - modify the structure of our HTML?
 - add custom attributes to elements?
 - modify CSS styles programmatically?

What is a Directive?

- · Directives enable us to extend HTML
 - add new attributes, tags etc
 - components are really one class of custom directive
- · Enable reusable data and functions
 - e.g. ngClick
- · Simplify template syntax

Categories of Directive

Three main types of directive:



- · Component Directive
 - a directive with an HTML template
- · Attribute Directive
 - changes the behavior or appearance of a component or element
- Structural Directive
 - alters layout by adding, removing or replacing elements in DOM

Attribute Directives

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Attribute Directive

- · Changes appearance or behavior of native DOM elements
 - Typically independent of the DOM element
- Examples of attribute directives
 - ngClass
 - ngStyle
 - both work on any element
- · May be applied in response to user input, service data etc.

NgStyle Directive

- · Built in directive
 - used to modify the style attribute of an element
- · Can be used within a component's template
 - can bind a directive in similar manner to a property

```
- e.g. Some test
```

- · Can generate style information from component data
 - allows style to change dynamically
 - e.g. Some test

```
export class StyleExampleComponent {
  borderStyle = 'black';

  componentStyles = {
    color: 'blue',
    'border-color': this.borderStyle,
  };
}
```

Styling Content -- 1

This content is rendered by the child component:

Style me!

To render the content, use <ng-content></ng-content>

Styling Content -- 2

```
JavaScript
import { Component } from '@angular/core';
@Component({
  selector: 'app-style-example',
  template: `
    <ng-content></ng-content>
   })
export class StyleExampleComponent {
  borderStyle = 'red green blue yellow';
  alertStyles = {
    color: 'blue',
    'border-style': 'solid',
    'border-color': this.borderStyle
  };
```

NgClass Directive

- · Changes the class attribute bound to an element
 - or a component
- · Can bind a string directly to the attribute
 - similar to adding a HTML class attribute
 - here used to wrap some ng-content

NgClass Directive

· You can apply a set of CSS classes from an array:

NgClass Directive

• By using a JS object, you can apply CSS classes conditionally:

Structural Directives

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Structural Directives

Structural Directives modify the DOM structure

For example:

- to display content depending on a condition
- to repeat content, displaying one piece per item in a list

ngIf Example

This paragraph will render only if the condition is truthy:

```
HTML

   Don't be an art critic, but paint, there lies salvation
```

Built-in Structural Directives

These structural directives are available:

SELECTOR	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
ngIf	NgIf	Conditionally render content depending on an expression
ngFor	NgForOf	Render a piece of content once per item of an iterable
ngSwitch	NgSwitch	Render a piece of content depending on which expression matches

Using *ngIf with an else clause

Angular 4 supports an else clause:

```
<div *ngIf="userObservable | async; else loading; let user">
   Hello {{user.last}}, {{user.first}}!
   </div>
   <template #loading>Waiting...</template>
```

Iterating with *ngFor

*ngFor iterates over an array or any iterable

```
JavaScript
import { Component } from '@angular/core';
@Component({
 selector: 'ngfor-demo',
 template: `
   <l
     {{fruitItem}}
     })
export class NgForDemoComponent {
 fruit = ['apple', 'banana', 'custard apple', 'durian', 'fig'];
```

*ngFor - Importing CommonModule

To use *ngFor in non-root modules you must import CommonModule:

Further *ngFor Features

index

Angular exposes the index property, which numbers the items from zero:

```
HTML

   Item {{i}} is: {{fruitItem}}
```

count

The count property maintains the total count of items:

```
HTML

   Item {{i}} is: {{fruitItem}} (count is: {{c}})
```

Even more *ngFor Features

Further properties are available too:

PROPERTY	DESCRIPTION	
first	True when the item is the <i>first</i> item in the iterable	
last	True when the item is the <i>last</i> item in the iterable	
even	True when the item has an <i>even index</i> in the iterable	
odd	True when the item has an <i>odd index</i> in the iterable	

Using *ngFor to Style Alternate Rows

To obtain this effect:

```
Item 0 is: apple [true, false]
Item 1 is: banana [false, true]
Item 2 is: custard apple [true, false]
Item 3 is: durian [false, true]
Item 4 is: fig [true, false]
```

*ngFor can be used like this:

Microsyntax

In this expression:

```
HTML
```

- the expression in quotes is in a "microsyntax"
- the let i, let o etc declare *template input variables* that you can reference within the template
- the NgFor directive maintains a "context object" which it updates as it iterates, which is where index, even etc come from

Conditional Rendering using ngSwitch

- · Actually two directives:
 - ngSwitch (an attribute directive) indicates the condition
 - *ngSwitchCase (a structural directive) indicates options
- Suppose a component has a property called tab
 - selects which <app-tab> element to render
 - <app-tab> is an element indicating a custom (tab) Component

Explaining the * Syntax

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The <ng-template > Element

The <ng-template> element looks like this:

```
Art is a lie that makes us realize truth

</ng-template>
```

The <ng-template> element:

- · doesn't render its content on its own
 - it's just a way of holding content until it is rendered
 - Angular 2 used <template>

The template Attribute Directive

The template attribute directive allows us to do the same thing:

This structural directive...

```
HTML

   Art is a lie that makes us realize truth
```

first translated to a template attribute directive...

finally to an <ng-template>:

```
Art is a lie that makes us realize truth

</ng-template>
```

So the * in *ngFor is "syntactic sugar"

These two are equivalent:

```
Art is a lie that makes us realize

  </ng-template>
```

means "use the element this directive is attached to *as* the template"

Two-way Binding

Angular Fundamentals

What's "Two-way Binding"?

Two-Way Binding

- · updates the display when a property changes; and
- · updates a property when a user input changes

Angular 2+

- supports one-way binding only
- emulates the "two-way" binding that was present in AngularJS (v1)
 - it actually uses two one-way bindings

Using "Two-Way" Binding

We can use two-way binding "manually", like this:

```
HTML

You have chosen the username: {{username}}
<input [value]="username" (input)="username = $event.target.value">
```

And in our component:

```
export class MyComponent {
  username: string = '';
}
```

Notice that this is actually two one-way bindings

The "Banana-in-a-Box" Syntax

Angular offers a shorter syntax for two-way binding:

```
HTML

You have chosen the username: {{username}}
<input [(ngModel)]="username">
```

- Notice that we use the ngModel directive
 - The NgModel class maintains a model

The NgModel Directive

The "Banana-in-a-Box" is actually equivalent to this:

```
HTML

You have chosen the username: {{username}}
<input [ngModel]="username" (ngModelChange)="username = $event">
```

- The NgModel class ensures that updates happen:
 - from model to view (component to template, or username to <input>)
 - via [ngModel]="username"
 - from view to model (template to component, or <input> to username)
 - via (ngModelChange)="username = \$event"
 - The NgModel class fires an ngModelChange event when the model changes

PipesAngular Fundamentals

Using Pipes

- · Pipes enable data in template expressions to be manipulated
- · To use one or more pipes, specify their names in a template expression:

```
JavaScript

@Component({
    selector: 'cats',
    template: `8 out of 10 cats is {{ cats | percent }}`
})
export class CatsComponent {
    cats = 8 / 10;
}
```

Output:

```
8 out of 10 cats is 80%
```

Built-in Pipes

PIPE NAME	CLASS NAME	DESCRIPTION
currency	CurrencyPipe	transforms number into desired currency
number	DecimalPipe	format a number as text
percent	PercentPipe	format a number as a percentage
date	DatePipe	displays a date in different formats
slice	SlicePipe	produce a slice or subset of a list or string
PIPE NAME	CLASS NAME	DESCRIPTION
uppercase	CLASS NAME UpperCasePipe	DESCRIPTION converts input into UPPER case
uppercase	UpperCasePipe	converts input into <i>UPPER</i> case
uppercase	UpperCasePipe LowerCasePipe	converts input into <i>UPPER</i> case converts input into <i>lower</i> case
uppercase lowercase titlecase	UpperCasePipe LowerCasePipe TitleCasePipe	converts input into <i>UPPER</i> case converts input into <i>lower</i> case converts input into <i>TitleCase</i>

- · Pipe name is used in an HTML template e.g. currency, date
- Each pipe is implemented by a class e.g. CurrencyPipe, DatePipe

Pipe Parameters

Pipes can take parameters, and also use properties:

```
{{ addressLine1 | slice:0:15 }}  // renders first 15 characters
{{ addressLine1 | slice:0:nChars }} // renders first 'nChars' characters
```

The general form is:

```
expression | pipe1:param1:param2:... | pipe2:param1:param2:... | ...
```

Rendering Dates

The **DatePipe** offers a variety of formatting options:

TEMPLATE EXPRESSION	OUTPUT
<pre>{{ today date }}</pre>	Oct 1, 2017
<pre>{{ today date:'medium' }}</pre>	Oct 1, 2017, 8:37:59 PM
<pre>{{ today date:'shortTime' }}</pre>	8:37 PM
<pre>{{ today date:'mmss' }}</pre>	3759

The today variable is declared as:

```
JavaScript today = new Date();
```

Rendering Numbers

Some number rendering examples:

TEMPLATE EXPRESSION	OUTPUT
<pre>{{ pi number }}</pre>	3.142
<pre>{{ pi number:'3.4-7' }}</pre>	003.1415927

Number Format Expression

- The digitInfo expression works like this:
 - {minIntegerDigits}.{minFractionDigits}-{maxFractionDigits}

PARAMETER	DESCRIPTION	DEFAULT
minIntegerDigits	the minimum number of integer digits to use	1
minFractionDigits	the minimum number of digits after fraction	0
maxFractionDigits	the maximum number of digits after fraction	3

Rendering Currencies

Some currency rendering examples:

TEMPLATE EXPRESSION	OUTPUT
<pre>{{ tradeValue currency }}</pre>	USD151.40
<pre>{{ tradeValue currency: 'EUR' }}</pre>	EUR151.40
<pre>{{ tradeValue currency: 'EUR':true }}</pre>	€151.40
<pre>{{ tradeValue currency:'USD':true:'9.2-2' }}</pre>	\$000,000,151.40

General form of the expression:

```
... | currency[:currencyCode[:display[:digitInfo[:locale]]]]
```

- currencyCode: the currency to render
- · display: whether to display a currency symbol (\$, €, £ etc) or the code (USD etc)
 - In Angular 5, display is a string with value code, symbol or symbol-narrow (CAD, CA\$, \$)
- · digitInfo: same as for number

Multiple Pipes

Using multiple pipes is of course valid:

TEMPLATE EXPRESSION	OUTPUT
<pre>{{ tradeValue currency:'EUR' lowercase }}</pre>	eur151.40

Passing Data to a Component

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Components and Behavior

- · Components can define methods / behavior
 - This behavior can be invoked from the templates

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

@Component({
    selector: "counter",
    templateUrl: "./counter.component.html"
})

export class CounterComponent {
    count = 0;

increment() {
    this.count++;
    }
}
```

· component.component.html

Structuring Applications

Components can be subdivided into two categories:

- Container components
 - application specific
 - higher level
 - typically have access to application's domain model
 - e.g. LoanValidationComponent
- Presentation Components
 - responsible for UI rendering
 - or behavior of specific entities supplied to component
 - may be more generic (reusable component)
 - e.g. TableLayoutRenderer

Referencing Child Components

Simplest approach: embed child tag in parent template:

· app.component.ts

Referencing Child Components

Simplest approach: embed child tag in parent template:

· child.component.ts

```
javaScript
import { Component } from '@angular/core';
@Component({
    selector: 'child-comp',
    template: `
        <h3>Child Heading</h3>
        Content from the child
})
export class ChildComponent {}
```

Passing Data to Child Components

Parent can provide inputs to child

· app.component.ts

counter.component.ts

```
@Component({
    selector: 'counter',
    template: 'Count: {{ count }}'
})
export class CounterComponent {
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```

Templates

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Template Syntax

Templates consist of HTML containing embedded:

template expressions (eg {{myProperty}})

Interpolation Example

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Template Expressions

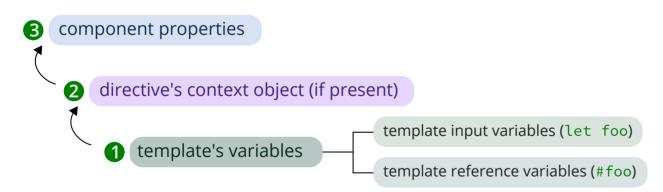
- · Template expressions produce a value
 - This value is assigned to the property of a binding target

Expression Context

Where do template expressions get their values from?

- from properties of the corresponding component
- from properties of the template's *context*:
 - a template input variable (eg let product)
 - a template reference variable (eg #product)

Identifiers are looked up in this order:



Template Input Variable

- · Sometimes we need a 'local' variable within our template
 - Declare it using let myVariable

Template:

```
HTML  
 <div *ngFor="let product of products">{{product.title}}</div>
```

· So product here is a variable only visible within the template

Output:

Template Reference Variable

- · Use when you want to reference a DOM element from another part of the same template
- The # syntax means:
 - Take a reference to this DOM element and store it in the variable name provided
 - This variable can now be accessed anywhere in the template
 - The variable is scoped to the template

```
HTML

<input #phone>
{[phone.value]}
```

- This isn't quite enough to do what we want
 - We force Angular to handle events: <input #phone (keyup)="0">

Template Expressions don't allow...

OPERATORS	EXAMPLE	
assignments	=, += etc	
instantiation	new FooConstructor()	
chaining expressions	; or ,	
increment or decrement	++ or	
bitwise operators	`	

Template Expressions add...

OPERATORS	EXAMPLE
Pipe operators	•
Safe navigation operator	?.

Template Statements don't allow...

OPERATORS	EXAMPLE
operator assignments	+=, -= etc
instantiation	new FooConstructor()
increment or decrement	++ or
bitwise operators	`
template expression operators	`

- · Also, they can't access globals
 - So no window, document, Math.min etc

Accessing Child Members

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Accessing Child Members

- · You can also reference child component members
 - e.g. data member such as instance variable
 - or behavior such as methods
 - need to provide a reference for the child
- · app.component.ts

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

@Component({
   selector: 'app-root',
   templateUrl: './app.component.html'
})
export class AppComponent {}
```

· app.component.html

Accessing Child Members

The child component is unaware of the parent's access:

profile.component.ts

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

@Component({
    selector: 'profile',
    templateUrl: 'profile.component.html'
})
export class ProfileComponent {
    name = 'Dave Smith';
}
```

profile.component.html

```
<div style="border: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 1rem;">
   Profile Name: {{ name }}
   </div>
```

Multiple Component Instances

A component may use many instances of the same child component:

app.component.ts

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

@Component({
    selector: 'app-root',
    templateUrl: './app.component.html'
})
export class AppComponent {}
```

app.component.html

Multiple Component Instances

Here's the child component:

child.component.ts

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

@Component({
    selector: 'child',
    template: 'Message is { message } ',
})

export class ChildComponent {
    @Input() message: string = 'Hello';
}
```

HTTP and Services

Angular Fundamentals

HTTP Clients in Angular

· Angular's HTTP client has been rewritten in 4.3

ANGULAR VERSION	PACKAGE	MODULE	SERVICE
4.3 -	@angular/common/http	HttpClientModule	HttpClient
2.0 - 4.2	@angular/http	HttpModule	Http

Using @angular/common/http

Three steps to making a call:

- 1. Import the HTTPClientModule into your app
- 2. Inject HttpClient into your component
- 3. Make a request by calling this.http.get()

1. Import HTTPClientModule

Import the module like this:

```
import { BrowserModule } from '@angular/platform-browser';
import { NgModule } from '@angular/core';
import { HttpClientModule } from '@angular/common/http'; // <-- here
import { AppComponent } from './app.component';

@NgModule({
    declarations: [AppComponent],
    imports: [BrowserModule, HttpClientModule], // <-- and here
    providers: [],
    bootstrap: [AppComponent]
})
export class AppModule {}</pre>
```

2. Inject HttpClient

Make HttpClient available to your class:

```
import { Component, OnInit } from '@angular/core';
import { HttpClient } from '@angular/common/http';

@Component({
    selector: 'app-root',
    templateUrl: './app.component.html',
    styleUrls: ['./app.component.css']
})
export class AppComponent {
    title = 'app';

    constructor(private http: HttpClient){
    }
}
```

· Angular's DI framework injects the HttpClient instance

Example - Calling the GitHub REST API

The GitHub API offers a root-level request:

```
$ curl https://api.github.com
{
   "current_user_url": "https://api.github.com/user",
   "current_user_authorizations_html_url": "https://github.com/settings/connections/appli
   "authorizations_url": "https://api.github.com/authorizations",
   ...
}
```

Querying the GitHub API

```
JavaScript
import { Component, OnInit } from '@angular/core';
import { HttpClient } from '@angular/common/http';
import { Observable } from 'rxjs/Observable';
import 'rxjs/add/operator/map';
import './qh-api.type';
@Component({
 selector: 'http-demo',
 template: `
 http-demo
 {\td>{\td>{\td>}
     {{ entry[1] }}
   })
```

Querying the GitHub API - 2

```
JavaScript
export class HttpDemoComponent implements OnInit {
  result: [string, string][];
  constructor(private http: HttpClient){
  ngOnInit(): void {
    this.http
      .get('https://api.github.com/')
      .map(obj => Object.entries(obj))
      .subscribe(data => {
        this.result = data;
      })
```

Routing Angular Fundamentals

Why Routing?

We need routing in order to:

- · maintain application state
- · distinguish between logically separate areas of our app
- · allow access to areas based on authorization rules

In addition, routing enables us to:

- · bookmark a 'deep' location within an app and return to it later
- · share such a URL with others

Client-side Routing Mechanisms

Two techniques are commonly used. With both:

- Page is not reloaded
- Forward and back buttons work

Hash-based Routing

- Anchor name to identify content: <h1>About</h1>
- · Fragment identifier to go to that content: http://example.com/#/about

HTML5 History API

- · Uses history.pushState() and friends to navigate
 - history.pushState(stateObj, "page 2", "bar.html");

Routing in Angular

- · Angular Router
 - maps URL fragments to components, with or without state
- Routing is supported by RouterModule
 - defined in @angular/router
- · When a route is selected:
 - any previous view is replaced by new view
 - content area is represented by <router-outlet>
- · Routes defined by the Routes array
 - array of routing objects linking paths to components
 - can define a default path

Using the RouterModule

- · An app can import the RouterModule multiple times
 - Once per lazily-loaded bundle
- But there is only ever *one* active router service (singleton)
 - router deals with a global shared resource-location
- · Two ways to access the RouterModule...

Using the RouterModule

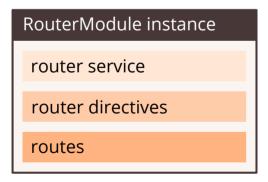
To use within the root module:

```
@NgModule({
   imports: [RouterModule.forRoot(...)]
})
export class AppModule { }
```

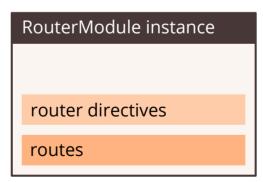
To use within non-root modules:

```
@NgModule({
   imports: [RouterModule.forChild(...)]
}
export class NonRootModule { }
```

RouterModule.forRoot(...)



RouterModule.forChild(...)



Configuring Routes

Routing maps from a URL path to a component to display:

```
JavaScript
const routes: Routes = [
    { path: '', redirectTo: 'home', pathMatch: 'full' },
    { path: 'find', redirectTo: 'search' },
    { path: 'home', component: HomeComponent },
    { path: 'search', component: SearchComponent },
    { path: '**', component: HomeComponent }
];
```

Default Route

To define a default route:

- · A default route applies when the URL has no other path components
- pathMatch specifies how much of the path to match
 - full means "apply this rule when the rest of the URL matches path"
 - prefix means "apply this rule when the rest of the URL starts with path"
 - but with a path of '', αny URL would match that so this rule would always apply!

Catch-All Route

To define a catch-all or wildcard route:

• If the URL doesn't match any other path, this rule applies

Router Outlet

Defines the place where any components rendered via routes should go

Router Links

To link to a component, use the routerLink directive:

```
HTML <a routerLink="/contacts/ben">Link to user Ben</a>
```

Or if you generate the path segments dynamically:

```
HTML

<a [routerLink]="['/contacts', userName]" [queryParams]="{debug: true}" fragment="phone"
  Link to user whose name is in 'userName' value
  </a>
```

- If userName is "ben", this generates a link to:
 - /contacts/ben#phone?debug=true
- The parameter to routerLink is just an array of path segments

Navigating Programmatically

You can navigate programmatically:

```
JavaScript this.router.navigate(['/settings']);
```

- · navigate() returns a promise
 - the promise resolves to true or false depending on whether the destination was navigated to successfully

First, define the routes:

app.routes.ts

Second, add RouterModule to the root module:

```
import { BrowserModule } from '@angular/platform-browser';
import { NgModule } from '@angular/core';
import { RouterModule } from '@angular/router'; // <-- import RouterModule</pre>
import { AppComponent } from './app.component';
import { ComponentOne } from './component-one.component';
import { ComponentTwo } from './component-two.component';
@NgModule({
 declarations: [ AppComponent, ComponentOne, ComponentTwo ],
 imports: [
   BrowserModule,
                                              // <-- add a RouterModule instance</pre>
   RouterModule.forRoot(routes)
 bootstrap: [AppComponent]
})
export class AppModule { }
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```

Add routerLinks and <router-outlet>s as appropriate:

app.component.ts

```
import { Component } from '@angular/cor

@Component({
   selector: 'app-root',
   templateUrl: './app.component.html',
})
export class AppComponent {
```

app.component.html

The components themselves are straightforward:

component-one.component.ts

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

@Component({
   selector: 'component-one',
   template: 'Component One'
})
export class ComponentOne { }
```

component-two.component.ts

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

@Component({
   selector: 'component-two',
   template: 'Component Two'
})
export class ComponentTwo { }
```

Route Parameters

Path segments within a URL can be designated as parameters:

```
http://example.com/account/jjones/transaction/6314762
```

Route parameters enable us to pick these up and use them

· These parameters are made available to the component navigated to

Accessing Route Parameters

To access the route parameters, subscribe to them:

```
import { Component } from '@angular/core';
@Component({
 selector: 'transaction-view',
 template: 'Transaction: <b>ID: {{ id }}</b>'
})
export class TransactionViewComponent {
 private sub: any;
 private id;
 constructor(private route: ActivatedRoute) {}
 private ngOnInit() {
   this.sub = this.route.params.subscribe(params => { // subscribe here
    this.id = +params['transactionId'];
   });
```

Navigating with Route Parameters

To navigate specifying route parameters, specify them using the array syntax:

```
HTML | <a routerLink="['/account', 123]">View Account 123</a>
```

Or invoke programmatically:

```
JavaScript
onClick() {
  this.router.navigate(['/account', 123]);
}
```

Query Parameters

A URL may have optional *query parameters*:

http://example.com/account/jjones/transactions?page=3

Routing Parameters vs Query Parameters

ROUTING PARAMETERS	QUERY PARAMETERS
Essential to determining route	Non-essential
Included in route definition	Not included

Accessing Query Parameters

To access the query parameters, subscribe to them similar to before:

```
@Component({
    selector: 'query-param-demo',
    template: `<div>Query parameter page #: [[page]]</div>`,
})
export class ComponentOne {
    private sub: any;
    private page:number;
    ...
    ngOnInit() {
        this.sub = this.route.queryParams.subscribe(params => {
            this.page = +params['page'] || 1;
        });
    }
}
```

Navigating with Query Parameters

To navigate using query parameters, specify them via an anchor's queryParams property:

And of course you can navigate programmatically too:

```
this.router.navigate(['/products'], { queryParams: { page: pageNumber }]);
```

Lazy Loading Modules

- · By default all modules are loaded at start up time
 - known as eager loading
- · Alternative is to load only when first used
 - known as lazy loading

Why Lazy Load?

Lazy loading offers:

- faster initial app startup
 - due to smaller payload

Setting up Lazy Loading

- · Define via route declaration
 - use loadChildren and the module name rather than reference
 - not included in parent modules imports

Modules

Angular Fundamentals

Why Modules?

Angular Modules help us to:

- · organize our app
 - including components, directives and pipes
- extend it with third party libraries

Modules

Angular Modules provide:

- · a way to organize an app's pieces
 - including components, directives and pipes
- · dependency injection
 - so you can say for example "this module depends on that service instance"

Example Modules

Angular includes many modules 'out-of-the-box':

- · CommonModule a module that provides the directives NgFor, NgIf, NgStyle etc, plus common pipes
- HttpModule a module that provides services to perform HTTP requests
- FormsModule a module for data driven forms
- · ReactiveFormsModule a module for reactive forms
- RouterModule a module that provides directives and providers for routing

Many third party modules are available too:

- ngx-bootstrap
- ngmodules.org
- Ionic

Use Cases of Modules

- · Root Module
 - every app has one
- · Feature Module
- Shared Component
- · Component

Defining a Module

Modules

defined as a class decorated with @NgModule

```
@NgModule({
    ...
})
export class UserProfileModule { }
```

Module Metadata

· imports

- imports other modules for use within the module
- imports: [CommonModule],
- · declarations
 - declares components, directives and pipes
 - declarations: [WidgetOne,
 WidgetTwo]
- · exports
 - exports some classes for use with other components
 - exports: [WidgetOne,
 WidgetTwo]

```
@NgModule({
  imports:        [ BrowserModule ],
    declarations: [ AppComponent ],
  bootstrap:        [ AppComponent ]
})
export class AppModule { }
```

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Root Module

- · Every application has a root module
 - used to bootstrap the application Root Module
- · Root module may be all that is required
 - importing other modules as required
 - implementing any components, pipes, directives and services that are required
- · Larger applications will be comprised of several / many modules

Close