DI in Typescript

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What is DI?

Dependency Injection

"In software engineering, **dependency injection** is a technique in which an object receives other objects that it depends on, called dependencies. Typically, the receiving object is called a client and the passed-in ('injected') object is called a service. The code that passes the service to the client is called the injector. -- <u>wikipedia</u>

#dependencies #client #service #inejcted #injector

What is Dependencies?

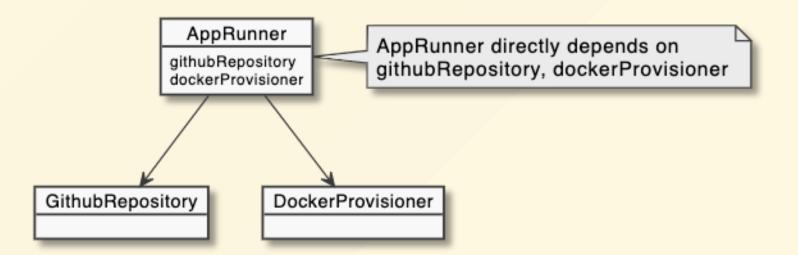
Nothing depends on each other



OtherObject

What is Dependencies?

- AppRunner has dependencies on
 - GithubRepository
 - DockerProvisioner



What is Dependencies?

• In code,

```
// runner.ts
import GithubRepository from 'libs/GithubRepository';
import DockerProvisioner from 'libs/DockerProvisioner';
class AppRunner {
  githubRepository = new GithubRepository(...);
  dockerProvisioner = new DockerProvisioner(...);
  run(appId: string) {
```

Problem?

"Requirements changed.."

- App(Source) Repository
 - Github --> Gitlab
- Provision Target
 - Docker --> Kubernetes

Problem solved

```
// runner.ts
import GitlabRepository from 'libs/GitlabRepository';
import KubeProvisioner from 'libs/KubeProvisioner';
class AppRunner {
  gitlabRepository = new GitlabRepository(...);
  kubeProvisioner = new KubeProvisioner(..);
  run(appId: string) {
```

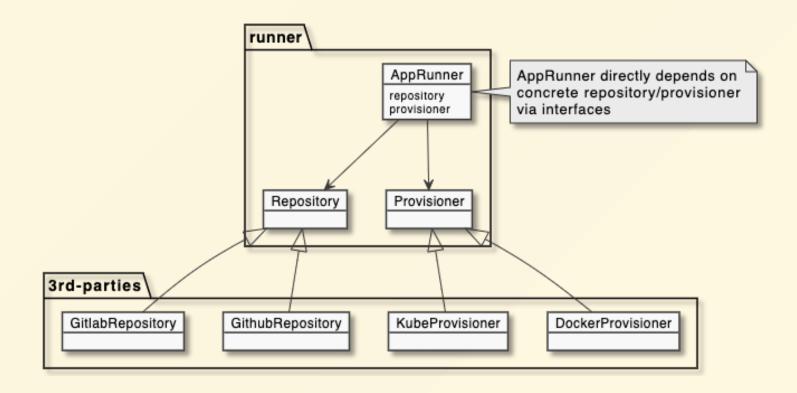
So far so good.

Problem?

"Need to distribute AppRunner package to 3rd-parties"

- with encapsulating its implementation
- so that 3rd-parties cannot modify AppRunner core logic
- but allowing them to extend repository and provisioner

Yes, Dependency Injection



Declare interface

```
// runner.ts
export interface Repository {
  pull(repo: string, rev: string): void;
}

export interface Provisioner {
  provision(key: string, options: ProvisionOptions): void;
}
```

Decoupling dependencies by interface

```
// runner.ts
export class AppRunner {
  constructor(
    private repository: Repository,
    private provisioner: Provisioner
 run(appId: string) {
```

Define service(injected) by implementing interfaces

```
// third.ts
import { Repository, Provisioner } from 'runner';
export class GitlabRepository implements Repository {
  pull(repo: string, rev: string): void {
export class KubeProvisioner implements Provisioner {
  provision(key: string, options: ProvisionOptions): void {
```

Inject dependencies to client

```
// main.ts
import { GitlabRepository, KubeProvisioner } from 'third';
// const runner = new AppRunner(
// new GithubRepository(...),
   new DockerProvisioner(...)
const runner = new AppRunner(
  new GitlabRepository(...),
 new KubeProvisioner(...)
runner.run('sangwon1/my-app');
```

DIP(SOLID) vs DI

SOLID - Dependency Inversion Principle

- High-level modules should not import anything from low-level's
- Abstractions should not depend on details

So, DI is a technique or practice of DIP

Other definition of DI

One of the best definition is by <u>James Shore</u>:

"Dependency Injection" is a 25-dollar term for a 5-cent concept. Dependency injection means giving an object its instance variables.

```
class TeslaModel3 {
  constructor(color: string) { ... }

  setBatteryCapacity(cap: number): void { ... }
}
```

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DI Tools for Typescript

- inversify/InversifyJS
 - Reflection in runtime
 - Using decorator, relatively verbose
- wessberg/DI
 - Reflection in compile(transform)-time
 - Less injection codes, it just works

Installation

```
$ npm install inversify reflect-metadata --save
```

Decorator related options tsconfig.json

```
// Important! InversifyJS requires
// TypeScript >= 4.4 and the experimentalDecorators, emitDecoratorMetadata, types and lib in your typescript compilation options.
{
    "compilerOptions": {
        "target": "es5",
        "module": "commonjs",
        "moduleResolution": "node",
        "lib": ["es6"],
        "types": ["reflect-metadata"],
        "experimentalDecorators": true,
        "emitDecoratorMetadata": true
}
```

Define symbols

```
// types.ts
const TYPES = {
   Repository: Symbol.for('Repository'),
   Provisioner: Symbol.for('Provisioner'),
};
export { TYPES };
```

Define concrete classes

```
// third.ts
import { injectable } from 'inversify';
import { Repository, Provisioner } from 'runner';
@injectable()
export class GitlabRepository implements Repository {
  pull(repo: string, rev: string): void { ... }
@injectable()
export class KubeProvisioner implements Provisioner {
  provision(key: string, options: ProvisionOptions): void { ... }
```

Declare dependencies (to be injected) in the constructor

```
// runner.ts
import { injectable, inject } from 'inversify';
import { TYPES } from 'types'
@injectable()
export class <u>AppRunner</u> {
  constructor(
    @inject(TYPES.Repository) private repository: Repository,
    @inject(TYPES.Provisioner) private provisioner: Provisioner
```

Registration to DI container

```
// di.ts
import 'reflect-metadata';
import { Container } from 'inversify';
import { TYPES } from 'types';
import { Repository, Provisioner, AppRunner } from 'runner';
import { GithubRepository, KubeProvisioner } from 'third';
const container = new Container();
container.bind<Repository>(TYPES.Repository).to(GithubRepository).inSingletonScope();
container.bind<Provisioner>(TYPES.Provisioner).to(KubeProvisioner).inSingletonScope();
container.bind<AppRunner>(AppRunner).toSelf().inSingletonScope();
export default container
```

Get dependencies injected instance

```
// main.ts
import container from 'di';
import { AppRunner } from 'runner';

const runner = container.get(AppRunner);
runner.run('sangwonl/my-app');
```

Examples - wessberg/DI

Installation

```
$ npm install @wessberg/di
```

Declare dependencies (to be injected) in the constructor

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// runner.ts
export class AppRunner {
  constructor(
    private repository: Repository,
    private provisioner: Provisioner
  )
}
```

Examples - wessberg/DI

Registration to DI container

```
// di.ts
import { DIContainer } from '@wessberg/di';
import { Repository, Provisioner, AppRunner } from 'runner';
import { GithubRepository, KubeProvisioner } from 'third';
const container = new DIContainer();
container.registerSingleton<Repository, GithubRepository>();
container.registerSingleton<Provisioner, KubeProvisioner>();
container.registerSingleton<AppRunner>();
export default container
```

Examples - wessberg/DI

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References

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