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Silverlight-Style HTML Apps



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Read/Download Sourcecode of Samples at http://bit.ly/AngularTypeScript

Agenda



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TypeScript

This presentation uses AngularJS with <u>TypeScript</u>
JavaScript is generated from TypeScript
However, you still have to understand the concepts of JavaScript

▶ TypeScript advantages

Type-safe AngularJS API (at least most part of it)
Native classes, interfaces, etc. instead of JavaScript patterns and conventions
Possibility to have strongly typed models
Possibility to have strongly typed REST services

▶ TypeScript disadvantages

Only a few AngularJS + TypeScript samples available Additional compilation step necessary

Introduction

What's it all about?



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What's AngularJS

Developer's Perspective

- ► MVC + data binding framework

 Fully based on HTML, JavaScript, and CSS → Plugin-free

 Enables automatic unit testing
- ► Dependency injection system

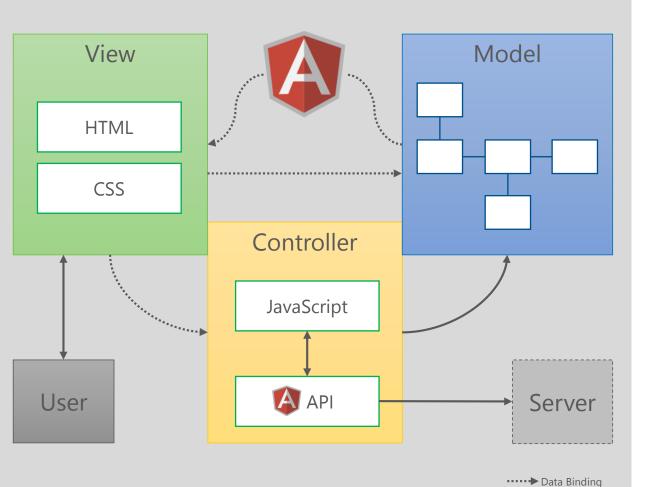
 Module concept with dependency management
- ► Handles communication with server XHR, REST, and JSONP Promise API for asynchronous programming

What's AngularJS

Developer's Perspective

- Navigation solution for SPAs
 Single Page Applications
- ► HTML extensibility mechanism

 Custom directives



MVC

Architectural Pattern

Layers

View: Visual appearance (declarative languages) Model: Data model of the app (JavaScript objects) Controller: Adds behavior (imperative languages)

Workflow

User interacts with the view
Changes the model, calls
controller (data binding)
Controller manipulates model,
interacts with server
AngularJS detects model changes
and updates the view (two-way
data binding)

MVC Notes

- ► MVW = Model View Whatever

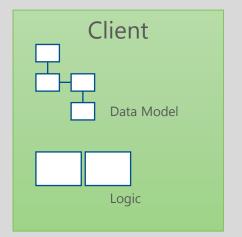
 MVC is not a precise pattern but an architectural pattern
- ► Clear separation of logic, view, and data model Data binding connects the layers
- ► Enables automated unit tests

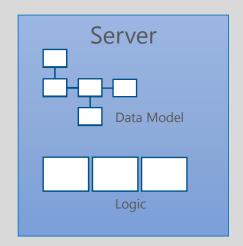
 Test business logic and UI behavior (also kind of *logic*) without automated UI tests

Important Differences

- HTML+CSS for view
 Plugin-free
 Extensibility introduced by AngularJS
- Data binding introduced by AngularJS
 Change detection using model comparison
- JavaScript
- Many different development environments
 Open Source

- XAML for view
 Silverlight browser plugin
 Extensibility built in (e.g. user controls)
- ▶ Data binding built into XAML and .NET INotifyPropertyChanged, Dependency Properties
- CLR-based languages (e.g. C#)
- First-class support in Visual Studio
 Provided by Microsoft





Shared Code

JavaScript/TypeScript Everywhere

Shared code between client and server

Server: <u>nodejs</u>
Single source for logic and data model

Mix with other server-side platforms possible E.g. ASP.NET

```
angular.module('helloWorldApp', [])
  .config(function ($routeProvider) {
    $routeProvider
      .when('/', {
        templateUrl: 'views/main.html',
        controller: 'MainCtrl'
      .when('/about', {
        templateUrl: 'views/about.html',
        controller: 'AboutCtrl'
      .otherwise({
        redirectTo: '/'
      });
  });
angular.module('helloWorldApp')
  .controller('MainCtrl', function ($scope) {
  });
                              <div class="hero-unit">
<div class="container"</pre>
                                 <h1>'Allo, 'Allo!</h1>
  ng-view=""> ←
</div>
                              </div>
```

SPA

Single Page Apps

Define routes with \$routeProvider service

Placeholder with ":" (e.g. /admin/users/:userid)
Access route paramter values with \$routeParams_service

Define where view should be included in index.html using <u>ng-view</u>

URL Modes

Hashbang and HTML5 mode
See *\$location* service docs for details

Tools

Microsoft Visual Studio

Not free
Only Windows
Very good support for TypeScript
Integrated debugging with IE
Build with MSBUILD
Package management with NuGet

▶ JetBrains <u>WebStorm</u>

Not free Windows, Mac, Linux Specialized on web apps Good integration of external tools

Your favorite editor
Some free, some not free
E.g. <u>Sublime</u>, <u>Notepad++</u>, <u>Vim</u>, etc.
Build and test with external tools

Open Source Tools

Project setup

Yoeman angular-seed Bower for web package management

Build

Grunt for automated build Karma test runner Jasmine for BDD unit tests JSLint, JSHint for code quality

UI

Bootstrap CSS for prettifying UI
AngularUI for UI utilities and controls
Batarang for analyzing data bindings and scopes

Server-side

<u>nodejs</u> for server-side JavaScript with various <u>npm modules</u> (e.g. express)

Setup demo project
cd yeoman-demo
yo angular hello-world

Build and test your app (don't forget to set CHROME_BIN) grunt

Add one item to awesomeThings in main.js
Run automated unit tests → will fail
grunt test

Correct unit test to expect 4 instead of 3 items
Run automated unit tests → will work
grunt test

Start development loop grunt server

Change main.js, save it, and watch the browser refreshing

Add a new view + controller + route, look at changes in app.js yo angular:route about

Start development loop, launch new route (maybe with Fiddler) http://localhost:9000/#/about

Demo

Yeoman Angular Generator

Setup angular application Initial setup Add new artifacts (e.g. route)

Run unit tests

Karma and Jasmine

Code editing with editor
Sublime text

Learn

Angular by example



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Project Setup

In Visual Studio

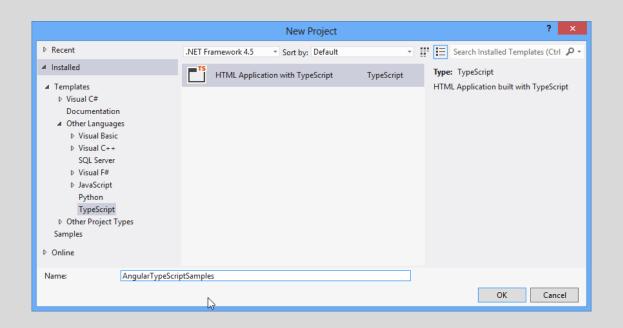
Create HTML app with TypeScript

Use NuGet to add angular and bootstrap

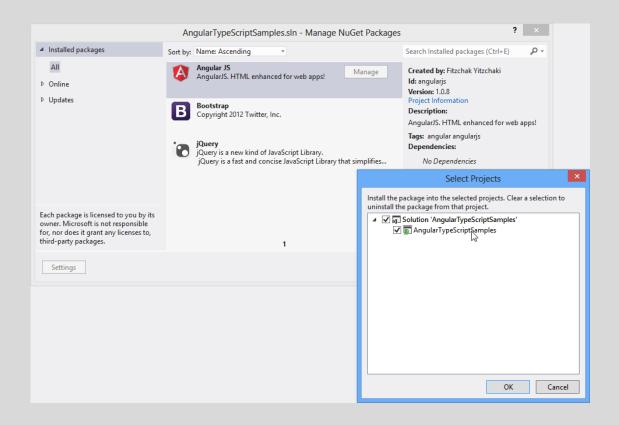
Get TypeScript declaration from GitHub

Basic controller with twoway data binding

Demo



TypeScript Setup TypeScript Project



NuGet

Add JavaScript Libraries to VS Projects



Screenshots: Microsoft Visual Studio 2012, Oct. 2013

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="utf-8" />
  <title>Angular.js Samples Using TypeScript</title>
  <link href="../../Content/bootstrap/bootstrap.css" rel="stylesheet">
  <link href="helloWorldWithController.css" rel="stylesheet">
  <script src="../../Scripts/angular.js"></script>
  <script src="helloWorldWithController.js"></script>
</head>
<body ng-app>
  <div ng-controller="HelloCtrl">
     <form>
        <h2>Two-Way Binding</h2>
        <label for="messageInput">Say 'Hello' to:</label>
        <input type="text" id="messageInput" ng-model="name">
        <h2>Simple Bindings</h2>
        SyntaxResult
           InterpolationHello, {{name}}!
           ng-bindHello, <span ng-bind="name" />!
           Interpolation with controller function
              Hello, {{getName()}}!
           ng-bind with getEnclosedName
              Hello, <span ng-bind="getEnclosedName('b')" />!
           ng-bind-html-unsafe with getEnclosedName
              Hello, <span ng-bind-html-unsafe="getEnclosedName('b')" />!
           </form>
  </div>
</body>
</html>
```

Controller

Basic Sample with Controller

See AngularJS <u>docs for *ng*</u> module

```
/// <reference
       path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular.d.ts"/>
// Create a custom scope based on angular's scope and define
// type-safe members which we will add in the controller function.
interface IHelloWorldScope extends ng.IScope {
    name: string;
    getName: () => string;
    getEnclosedName: (tag: string) => string;
       Referred to from
       ng-controller
var HelloCtrl = function ($scope: IHelloWorldScope) {
    $scope.name = "World";
    $scope.getName = () => $scope.name;
    $scope.getEnclosedName = (tag) => "<" + tag + ">"<"</pre>
       + $scope.name
       + "<" + tag + "/>";
};
```

Controller

Basic Sample with Controller

Get TypeScript definitions for AngularJS, Jasmine, etc. from <u>Definitely Typed</u> project

Collections

Binding to Collections

Create collection in controller

Binding the view to collections

Demo

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
</head>
<body ng-app>
 <div ng-controller="HelloCtrl">
  <form>
    <h2>Collection Binding</h2>
    >
       Pos.
       ISO Code
       Country Name
     {{$index}}
       {{country.isoCode}}
       {{country.name}}
     </form>
 </div>
</body>
</html>
```

Controller

Basic Sample with Controller

See AngularJS <u>docs for</u> <u>ngRepeat</u>

```
/// <reference
       path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular.d.ts"/>
// Create a custom scope based on angular's scope and define
// type-safe members which we will add in the controller function.
interface IHelloWorldScope extends ng.IScope {
    name: string;
    countries: ICountryInfo[];
    getName: () => string;
    getEnclosedName: (tag: string) => string;
interface ICountryInfo {
    isoCode: string;
    name: string;
var HelloCtrl = function ($scope: IHelloWorldScope) {
    $scope.countries = [
        { isoCode: 'AT', name: 'Austria' },
        { isoCode: 'DE', name: 'Germany' },
        { isoCode: 'CH', name: 'Switzerland' }];
};
```

Controller

Basic Sample with Controller

Scopes

Hierarchy of Scopes

Sample with hierarchy of scopes

Analyze scope hierarchy with <u>Batarang</u>



Sample inspired by Kozlowski, Pawel; Darwin, Peter Bacon: Mastering Web Application Development with AngularJS, Chapter *Hierarchy of scopes*

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="utf-8" />
  <title>Angular.js Samples Using TypeScript</title>
  <link href="../../Content/bootstrap/bootstrap.css" rel="stylesheet">
  <script src="../../Scripts/angular.js"></script>
  <script src="hierarchyOfScopes.js"></script>
</head>
<body ng-app>
  <div ng-controller="WorldCtrl" class="container">
    <hr>>
    <1115
       {{country.name}} has population
            of {{country.population | number:1}} millions,
         {{worldsPercentage(country.population) | number:1}} %
            of the World's population
       <hr>>
    World's population: {{population | number:1}} millions
  </div>
</body>
</html>
```

Controller

Basic Sample with Controller

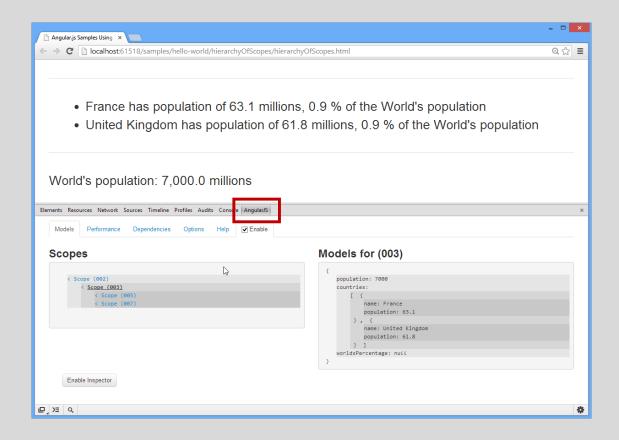
See AngularJS <u>docs about</u> <u>scopes</u>

See AngularJS <u>docs about</u> filters

```
/// <reference
       path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular.d.ts"/>
interface ICountry {
    name: string;
    population: number;
interface IHierarchyScope extends ng.IScope {
    population: number;
    countries: ICountry[];
    worldsPercentage: (countryPopulation: number) => number;
var WorldCtrl = function ($scope: IHierarchyScope) {
    $scope.population = 7000;
    $scope.countries = [
         name: "France", population: 63.1 },
         name: "United Kingdom", population: 61.8 }
    ];
    $scope.worldsPercentage = function (countryPopulation) {
        return (countryPopulation / $scope.population) * 100;
   };
};
```

Controller

Basic Sample with Controller



Batarang Chroma Adding

Chrome Addin

```
<body ng-app="notificationsApp" ng-controller="NotificationsCtrl">
</body>
module NotificationsModule { ...
  export class NotificationsCtrl {
    constructor(
       private $scope: INotificationsCtrlScope,
       private notificationService: NotificationsService) { ... }
  export class NotificationsService {
     public static Factory(
       MAX_LEN: number, greeting: string) { ... }
angular.module("notificationsApp", ...)
    .constant("MAX LEN", 10)
    .value("greeting", "Hello World!")
    .controller("NotificationsCtrl",
         NotificationsModule.NotificationsCtrl)
    .factory("notificationService",
         NotificationsModule.NotificationsService.Factory);
```

Modules, Services

Dependency Injection

AngularJS module system

Typically one module per application or reusable, shared component

Predefined services

E.g. <u>\$rootElement</u>, <u>\$location</u>, <u>\$compile</u>, ...

Dependency Injection

Based on parameter names
Tip: Use \$inject instead of param
names to be minification-safe

Modules, Services

Dependency Injection

TypeScript modules vs. AngularJS modules

AngularJS modules and factories



```
module NotificationsModule {
    export interface INotificationsArchive {
        archive(notification: string);
        getArchived(): string[];
    }
}
```

Contract

Contract for notifications archive

Common for all notifications archive implementations

```
/// <reference path="INotificationsArchive.ts"/>
module NotificationsModule {
    export class NotificationsArchive
      implements INotificationsArchive {
        private archivedNotifications: string[];
        constructor() {
            this.archivedNotifications = [];
        archive(notification: string) {
            this.archivedNotifications.push(notification);
        public getArchived(): string[]{
            return this.archivedNotifications;
```

Archive Implementation

Factory function for service creation

Other options

value, service, provider
See Angular docs about
angular.Module for details

```
/// <reference path="INotificationsArchive.ts"/>
module NotificationsModule {
    export class NotificationsService {
        private notifications: string[];
        public maxLen: number = 10;
        public static Factory(notificationsArchive: INotificationsArchive,
          MAX LEN: number, greeting: string) {
            return new NotificationsService(
               notificationsArchive, MAX LEN, greeting);
        constructor(private notificationsArchive: INotificationsArchive,
          MAX LEN: number, greeting: string) {
            this.notifications = [];
            this.maxLen = MAX LEN;
        public push(notification: string): void {
            var notificationToArchive: string;
            var newLen = this.notifications.unshift(notification);
            if (newLen > this.maxLen) {
                notificationToArchive = this.notifications.pop();
                this.notificationsArchive.archive(notificationToArchive);
        public getCurrent(): string[] {
            return this.notifications;
```

Service Implementation

```
/// <reference path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular.d.ts"/>
/// <reference path="NotificationsArchive.ts"/>
module NotificationsModule {
    export interface INotificationsCtrlScope extends ng.IScope {
       notification: string;
       vm: NotificationsCtrl;
    export class NotificationsCtrl {
        constructor(private $scope: INotificationsCtrlScope,
          private notificationService: NotificationsService) {
            $scope.vm = this;
        private addNotification(): void {
           this.notificationService.push(this.$scope.notification);
           this.$scope.notification = "";
       private getNotifications(): string[] {
            return this.notificationService.getCurrent();
```

Controller

```
/// <reference
  path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular.d.ts"/>
/// <reference path="NotificationsArchive.ts"/>
/// <reference path="NotificationsService.ts"/>
/// <reference path="NotificationsCtrl.ts"/>
angular.module("notificationsApp", ["notificationsArchive"])
    .value("greeting", "Hello World")
    .constant("MAX LEN", 10)
    .controller(
      "NotificationsCtrl",
      NotificationsModule.NotificationsCtrl)
    .factory(
      "notificationService",
      NotificationsModule.NotificationsService.Factory);
```

Dependency Injection

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="utf-8" />
  <title>Angular.js Samples Using TypeScript</title>
  <link href="../../Content/bootstrap/bootstrap.css" rel="stylesheet">
  <script src="../../Scripts/angular.js"></script>
  <script src="NotificationsArchive.js"></script>
  <script src="NotificationsService.js"></script>
  <script src="NotificationsCtrl.js"></script>
</head>
<body ng-app="notificationsApp" ng-controller="NotificationsCtrl">
<div style="margin: 10px">
   <form role="form">
      <textarea ng-model="notification" cols="40"
        rows="3" class="span6"></textarea><br>
      <button class="btn btn-primary"</pre>
        ng-click="vm.addNotification()">Add</button>
   </form>
</div>
>
      Notifications
   {{notification}}
   </body>
</html>
```

View

Server Communication

- ► \$http service (ng.IHttpService)
 Support for XHR and JSONP
- ► <u>\$resource</u> service for very simple REST services

 Not covered in this talk; see AngularJS docs for details
- ▶ <u>\$q</u> service for lightweight promise API Note: \$http methods return IHttpPromise<T>
- ▶ \$\frac{\\$httpBackend}{\} service (ng.IHttpBackendService)

 Used for unit testing of \\$http calls

\$http Server Communication

Create Cloud Backend

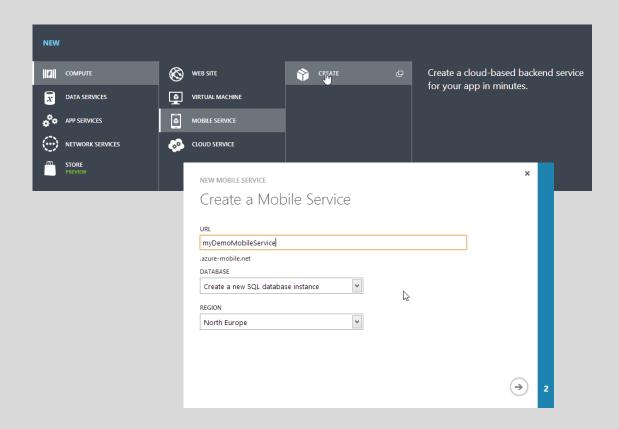
Azure Mobile Service

Access REST service using \$http service

Unit testing with \$httpBackend

Build UI with Bootstrap

Demo



Cloud Backend

Azure Mobile Services

Create a REST services backed by SQL Azure

https://manage.windowsazure.com

Create a table

Step 1: No protection

Step 2: Protection with API key

```
/// <reference
  path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular.d.ts"/>
module MobileServicesDataAccess {
    export interface ITableRow {
        id?: number;
    export interface ITable<T extends ITableRow> {
        query: (page?: number) => ng.IHttpPromise<IQueryResult<T>>;
        insert: (item: T) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
        update: (item: T) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
        deleteItem: (item: T) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
        deleteItemById: (id: number) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
    export interface IQueryResult<T extends ITableRow> {
        results: T[];
        count: number;
```

Access Class

REST Access Layer

Interface representing a single data row

id property needed for Azure Mobile Services

Interface for data access class for Azure Mobile Services

Note usage of TypeScript generics Note promise API types

Helper interface for query result

Result (eventually filtered) and total server row count

```
export class Table<T extends ITableRow> implements ITable<T> {
    constructor(private $http: ng.IHttpService,
      private serviceName: string, private tableName: string,
      private pageSize: number, private apiKey: string) {
        // Set public methods using lambdas for proper "this" handling
       this.query = (page?) => this.queryInternal(page);
       this.insert = (item) => this.insertInternal(item);
       this.update = (item) => this.updateInternal(item);
       this.deleteItem = (id) => this.deleteItemInternal(id);
       this.deleteItemById = (id) => this.deleteItemByIdInternal(id);
       // Build http header with mobile service application key
       this.header = {
            headers: {
                "X-ZUMO-APPLICATION": apiKev
        };
    public query: (page?: number) => ng.IHttpPromise<!QueryResult<T>>;
    public insert: (item: T) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
    public update: (item: T) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
    public deleteItem: (item: T) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
    public deleteItemById: (id: number) => ng.IHttpPromise<any>;
    private header: any;
```

Access Class

REST Access Layer

Setting up the access class

```
private queryInternal(page?: number):
   ng.IHttpPromise<IOueryResult<T>>> {
   var uri = this.buildBaseUri()
        + "?$inlinecount=allpages&$orderby=id";
   if (page !== undefined) {
       // Add "skip" and "top" clause for paging
       uri += "&$top=" + this.pageSize.toString();
       if (page > 1) {
            var skip = (page - 1) * this.pageSize;
            uri += "&$skip=" + skip.toString();
   return this.$http.get(uri, this.header);
private insertInternal(item: T): ng.IHttpPromise<any> {
    return this.$http.post(this.buildBaseUri(), item, this.header);
private updateInternal(item: T): ng.IHttpPromise<any> {
    var uri = this.buildBaseUri() + "/" + item.id.toString();
    return this.$http({ method: "PATCH", url: uri,
      headers: this.header, data: item });
private deleteItemInternal(item: T): ng.IHttpPromise<any> {
   return this.deleteItemByIdInternal(item.id);
private deleteItemByIdInternal(id: number): ng.IHttpPromise<any> {
   var uri = this.buildBaseUri() + "/" + id.toString();
   return this.$http.delete(uri, this.header);
private buildBaseUri(): string {
   return "https://" + this.serviceName + ".azure-mobile.net/tables/"
     + this.tableName;
```

Access Class

REST Access Layer

Accessing Azure Mobile Services

```
/// <reference path="../../tsDeclarations/jasmine/jasmine.d.ts"/>
/// <reference path="../../tsDeclarations/angularis/angular.d.ts"/>
/// <reference path="../../tsDeclarations/angularjs/angular-mocks.d.ts"/>
/// <reference
path="../../samples/communication/httpService/MobileServicesTable.ts"/>
interface IDummyRow extends MobileServicesDataAccess.ITableRow {
describe("Mobile Services Table Test", function () {
   var $http: ng.IHttpService;
   var $httpBackend: ng.IHttpBackendService;
   var table: MobileServicesDataAccess.ITable<IDummyRow>;
   beforeEach(inject(( $http , $httpBackend ) => {
        $http = $http;
        $httpBackend = $httpBackend;
        table = new MobileServicesDataAccess.Table<IDummyRow>(
           $http, "dummyService", "dummyTable", 10, "dummyKey");
   }));
   var dummyResult: MobileServicesDataAccess.IQueryResult<IDummyRow> =
        { results: [{ id: 1 }, { id: 2 }], count: 2 };
   it(' should query Azure Mobile Service without paging', () => {
        $httpBackend.whenGET("https://dummyService.azure-mobile.net
/tables/dummyTable?$inlinecount=allpages&$orderby=id")
            .respond(dummyResult);
        var result: IDummyRow[];
        table.query().success(r => {
           result = r.results;
        });
        $httpBackend.flush();
        expect(result.length).toEqual(2);
   });
```

Unit Tests

REST Access Layer

```
. . .
    it(' should issue a POST to Azure Mobile Service for insert', () => {
        $httpBackend.expectPOST("https://dummyService.azure-mobile.net
/tables/dummyTable")
            .respond(201 /* Created */);
        var data: IDummyRow = {};
        table.insert(data);
        $httpBackend.flush();
    });
    . . .
    afterEach(() => {
        $httpBackend.verifyNoOutstandingExpectation();
        $httpBackend.verifyNoOutstandingRequest();
   });
});
```

Unit Tests

REST Access Layer

How Far?

What didn't we cover? How far can it go?



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```
angular.module('MyReverseModule', [])
  .filter('reverse', function() {
    return function(input, uppercase) {
      var out = "":
      for (var i = 0; i < input.length; i++) {</pre>
        out = input.charAt(i) + out;
      // conditional based on optional argument
      if (uppercase) {
        out = out.toUpperCase();
      return out;
 });
function Ctrl($scope) {
  $scope.greeting = 'hello';
<body>
    <div ng-controller="Ctrl">
      <input ng-model="greeting" type="greeting"><br>
      No filter: {{greeting}}<br>
      Reverse: {{greeting|reverse}}<br>
      Reverse + uppercase: {{greeting|reverse:true}}<br>
    </div>
  </body>
```

Filters

Standard and Custom Filters

Formatting filters

currency
date
json
lowercase
number
uppercase

Array-transforming filters

filter limitTo orderBy

Custom filters (see left)

Source of custom filter sample: AngularJS docs

Advanced \$http

- ► Interceptors
 Used e.g. for retry logic, authentication, etc.
- ► Support for <u>JSONP</u>
- ► For details see <u>AngularJS docs</u>

```
myModule.directive('button', function() {
    return {
        restrict: 'E',
        compile: function(element, attributes) {
            element.addClass('btn');
            if (attributes.type === 'submit') {
                 element.addClass('btn-primary');
            }
            if (attributes.size) {
                 element.addClass('btn-' + attributes.size);
            }
        }
      }
}
```

Directives

Custom Directives and Widgets

Not covered in details here For details see AngularJS docs

Localization

- Internationalization (i18n)
 Abstracting strings and other locale-specific bits (such as date or currency formats) out of the application
- ► Localization (L10n)

 Providing translations and localized formats
- ► For details see <u>AngularJS docs</u>

Further Readings, Resources

- ► AngularJS Intellisense in Visual Studio 2012
 See Mads Kristensen's blog
- ► Recommended Book

 Kozlowski, Pawel; Darwin, Peter Bacon: <u>Mastering Web Application Development with AngularJS</u>
- ► Sample code from this presentation http://bit.ly/AngularTypeScript

Stop or Go? Critical Evaluation



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Stop or Go?

- Many moving parts sometimes lead to problems

 You have to combine many projects

 Development tools

 Services, UI components (directives, widgets), IDE/build components
- You still have to test on all target platforms
 Operating systems
 Browsers
- Learning curve for C#/.NET developers
 Programming language, framework, runtime, IDE

Stop or Go?

- TypeScript for productivity

 Type information helps detecting error at development time
- Clear separation between view and logic Testability
 Possible code reuse between server and client
- One framework covering many aspects Less puzzle pieces
- ► Relatively large developer team

 AngularJS by Google

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