

Improving Performance with Lazy Loading



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Large Initial Bundle Sizes

Adding features → larger bundles

Larger bundles → slower websites

Slow websites → high bounce rates

High bounce rates → missed profits

What We Will Cover in This Module

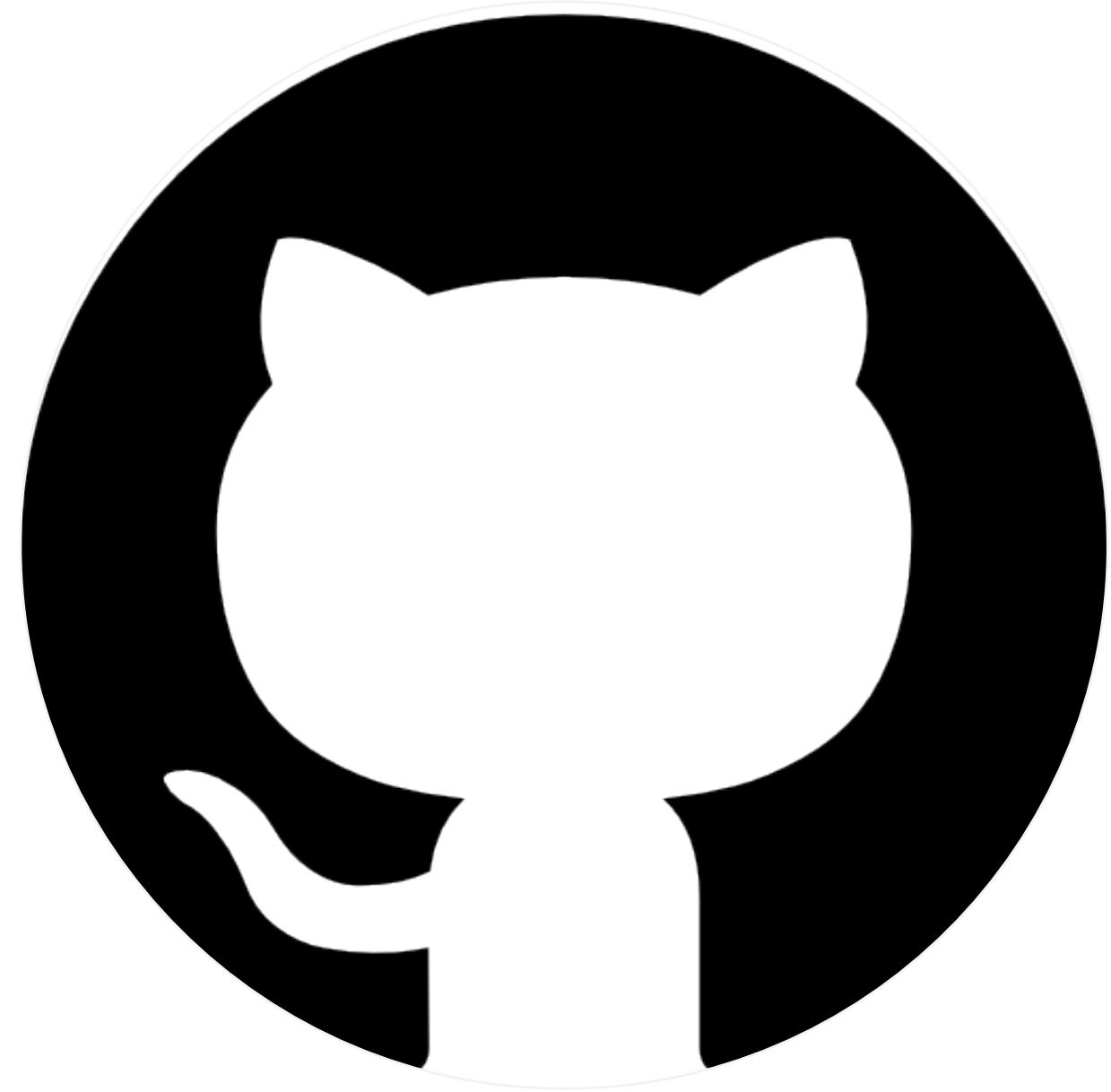


Lazy loading for modules

Lazy loading for standalone components

Lazy loading route declarations

Preloading strategies



Repository for Module Eight

github.com/lara-newsom/angular-routing-course

- module-eight-start



Angular Lazy Loading

Reduces initial bundle size

Also called code splitting

Splits the lazy loaded component or module off into a separate bundle

Lazy Loaded Code Organization

Separate code into separate directories

Use a monorepo tool like Nx to separate code into libraries

Makes it easier for teams to see code boundaries



The router understands code boundaries through the imports array of the lazy loaded component or module



Lazy loaded code is split off into separate javascript files

On initial page load the main javascript bundle is eagerly downloaded

Lazy loaded bundles are downloaded on the first visit to the route

How to Code Lazy Loaded Routes

Declare it in the route declaration

**For modules or route arrays,
use loadChildren**

**For standalone components,
use loadComponent**

**Lazy loaded code can
contain route declarations,
router outlets, and initiate
routing events**

Comparing Bundle Sizes

Bundle size before lazy loading:

Initial Chunk Files	Names	Raw Size	Estimated Transfer Size
main.d0f1a25058febe42.js	main	525.71 kB	127.64 kB
styles.81f01cafd9f1f26a.css	styles	106.09 kB	9.63 kB
polyfills.a90d4e10f49a864c.js	polyfills	33.02 kB	10.64 kB
runtime.15ea7f952fde21ae.js	runtime	1.15 kB	628 bytes
Initial Total		665.97 kB	148.53 kB

Comparing Bundle Sizes

Bundle size after lazy loading:

Initial Chunk Files	Names	Raw Size	Estimated Transfer Size
main.0cce277d5ce25e11.js	main	498.51 kB	122.97 kB
styles.81f01caf9f1f26a.css	styles	106.09 kB	9.63 kB
polyfills.a90d4e10f49a864c.js	polyfills	33.02 kB	10.64 kB
runtime.988d53b3a52220fb.js	runtime	2.72 kB	1.28 kB
Initial Total		640.33 kB	144.53 kB
Lazy Chunk Files	Names	Raw Size	Estimated Transfer Size
205.99df71e77cd1dece.js	products-view-products-view-component	18.96 kB	4.96 kB
common.ce829df12e876847.js	common	9.39 kB	2.51 kB

Comparing Bundle Sizes

Before

Estimated Transfer Size

127.64 kB

9.63 kB

10.64 kB

628 bytes

148.53 kB

After

Estimated Transfer Size

122.97 kB

9.63 kB

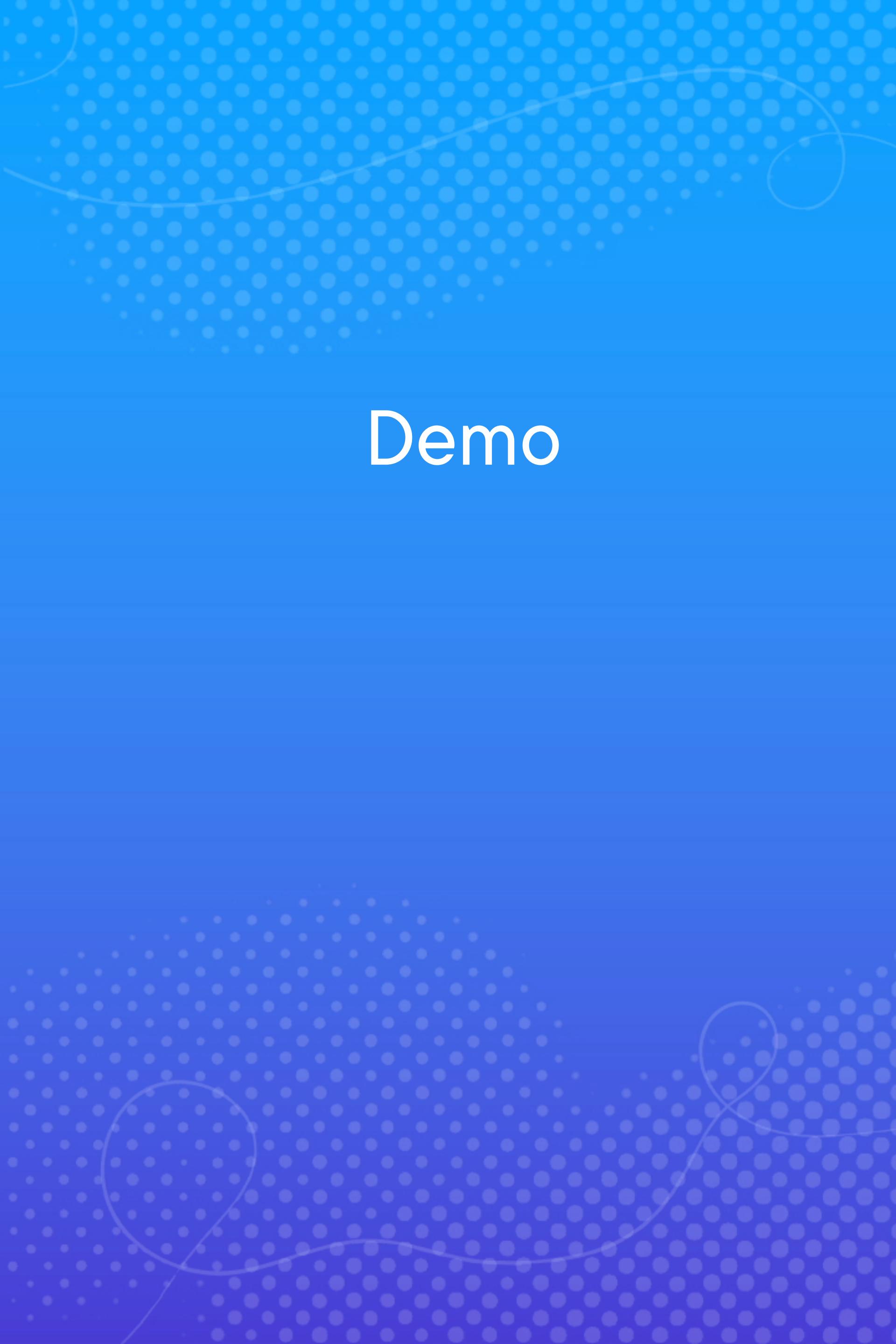
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Demo

Lazy loading a module based route



Demo

**Lazy loading a standalone
component route**

Demo

Setting an application preloading strategy

**Preloading lazy loaded
route bundles improves
user experience and
reduces wait times**



Preloading Strategy

Downloads the main bundle first

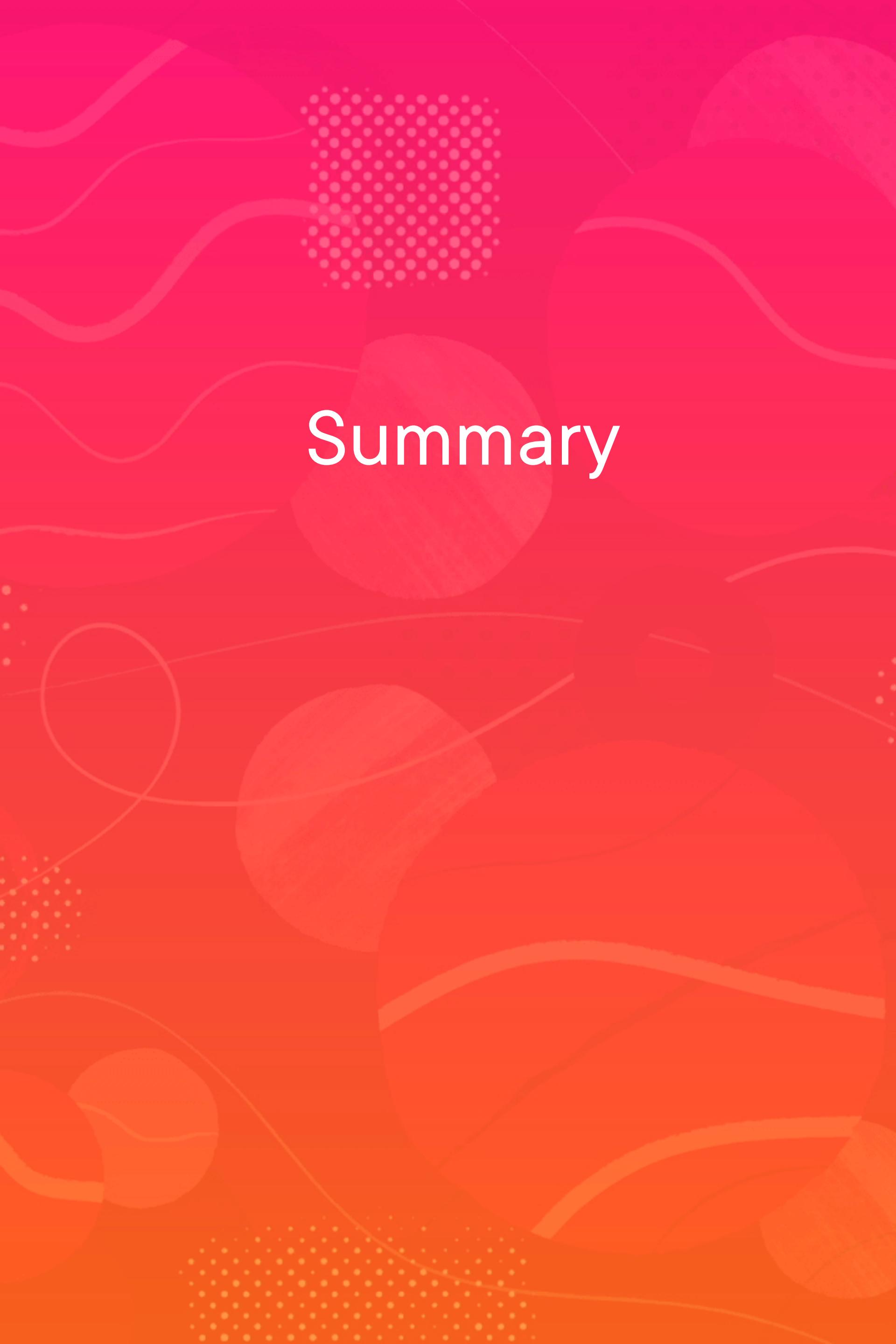
Then lazy loaded bundles are requested in the background

When users navigate to a lazy loaded route, the code is already downloaded

Set during router configuration

Configuring Module Based Preloading

```
@NgModule({  
  imports: [  
    RouterModule.forRoot(routes, {  
      preloadingStrategy: PreloadAllModules  
    })  
  ],  
})
```



Summary

- What lazy loading means**
- How Angular separates the code**
- How to declare a lazy loaded route**
- Implemented a preloading strategy**

Up Next:

Controlling User Navigation with Route Guards
