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Lesson Objectives

- What is a pipe?
- Passing parameters to a pipe
- Chaining pipes
- Developing a custom pipe



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Pipe



- A pipe takes in data as input and transforms it to a desired output.
- Pipes transform bound properties before they are displayed
- Angular pipes, a way to write display-value transformations that we can declare in your HTML.
- To pass an argument to a pipe in the HTML form, pass it with a colon after the pipe (for multiple arguments, simply append a colon after each argument)
- Angular gives us several built-in pipe like lowercase, date, number, decimal, percent, currency, json, slice etc
- Angular provides a way to create custom pipes as well.

Pipes are used when the data is not in a format appropriate for display

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Build in Pipes

<https://angular.io/api?type=pipe--> We Can see all Build in Pipes

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P AsyncPipe	P CurrencyPipe	P DatePipe
P DecimalPipe	P DeprecatedCurrencyPipe	P DeprecatedDatePipe
P DeprecatedDecimalPipe	P DeprecatedPercentPipe	P I18nPluralPipe
P I18nSelectPipe	P JsonPipe	P LowerCasePipe
P PercentPipe	P SlicePipe	P TitleCasePipe
P UpperCasePipe		

Angular comes with a stock of pipes such as DatePipe, UpperCasePipe, LowerCasePipe, CurrencyPipe, and PercentPipe. They are all available for use in any template. Angular doesn't have a FilterPipe or an OrderByPipe

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Chaining Pipes & Parameterizing a pipe



- We can chain pipes together in potentially useful combinations.
- A pipe may accept any number of optional parameters to fine-tune its output. We add parameters to a pipe by following the pipe name with a colon (:) and then the parameter value (e.g., currency:'EUR'). If our pipe accepts multiple parameters, we separate the values with colons (e.g. slice:1:5).

```
<tr *ngFor="let emp of employess" >
<td>{{emp.empId}}</td>
<td>{{emp.empName | uppercase | slice:1:3}}</td> <!--
Channing pipes & passing parameter -->
<td>{{emp.empSal | currency:'USD':true}}</td> <!--
Currency pipes -->
<td>{{emp.empDep}}</td>
<td>{{emp.empjoiningdate |
date:'fullDate'|uppercase}}</td> <!-- Dates pipes chaining
pipes -->
```

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The chained hero's birthday is {{ birthday | date | uppercase }}

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Custom Pipes



- A pipe is a class decorated with pipe metadata.
- The pipe class implements the PipeTransform interface's transform method that accepts an input value followed by optional parameters and returns the transformed value.
- There will be one additional argument to the transform method for each parameter passed to the pipe. Your pipe has one such parameter: the exponent.

This pipe definition reveals the following key points:

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To tell Angular that this is a pipe, you apply the [@Pipe](#) decorator, which you import from the core Angular library.

The [@Pipe](#) decorator allows you to define the pipe name that you'll use within template expressions. It must be a valid JavaScript identifier. Your pipe's name is exponentialStrength.

We use the transform method to do any logic necessary to convert the value that is being passed in. We can get ahold of the arguments array as the second parameter and pass in as many as we like from the template.

The *PipeTransform* interface

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```

▪ import {PipeTransform,Pipe} from 'angular2/core';

▪ @Pipe({ name : 'customPipe'})

▪ export class ExponentialStengthPipe implements PipeTransform{
    transform(value:number,args:string[]):any {
      return Math.pow(value,parseInt(args[0] || '1', 10));
    }
  }

```

In share/pipes folder, create a new .ts file named **trim.pipe.ts**

Import from 'angular/core' the module **Pipe** and **PipeTransform**. We tell Angular that this is a pipe by applying the `@Pipe` decorator which we import from the core Angular library.1

```
import {Pipe, PipeTransform} from '@angular/core';
```

Creating The pipe class implements the **PipeTransform** interface's transform method that accepts an input value followed by optional parameters and returns the transformed value.

The **@Pipe** decorator allows us to define the pipe name that we'll use within template expressions. It must be a valid JavaScript identifier. We should be always use the "**PipeTransform**" interface, which forces us to have a **transform()** method.

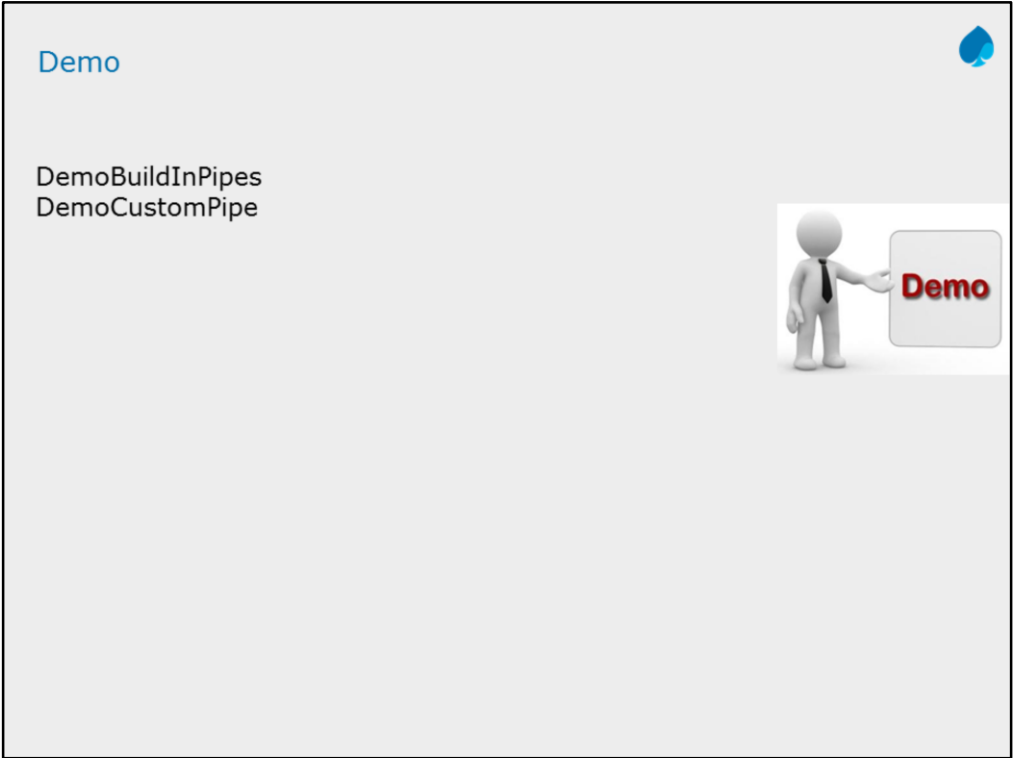
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How to use a Custom Pipe

1. We use our custom pipe the same way we use the built-in pipes.
2. We must include our pipe in the pipes array of the `@Component` decorator.

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