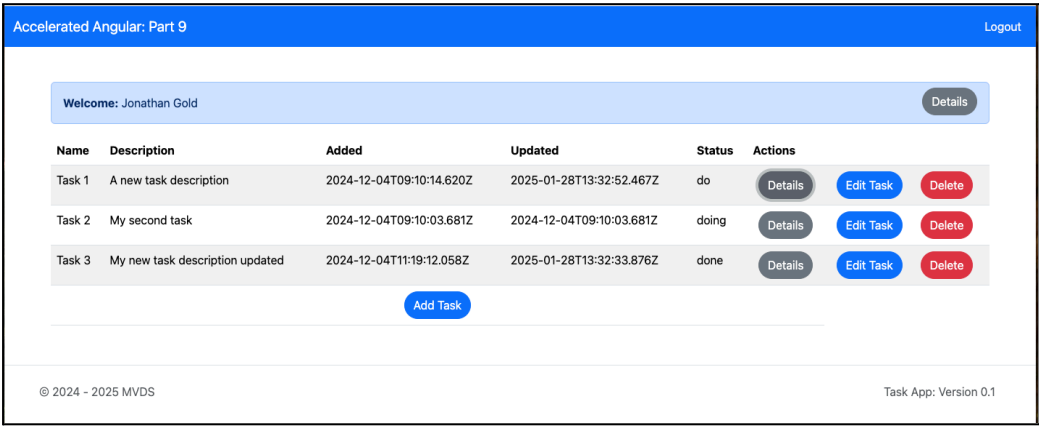




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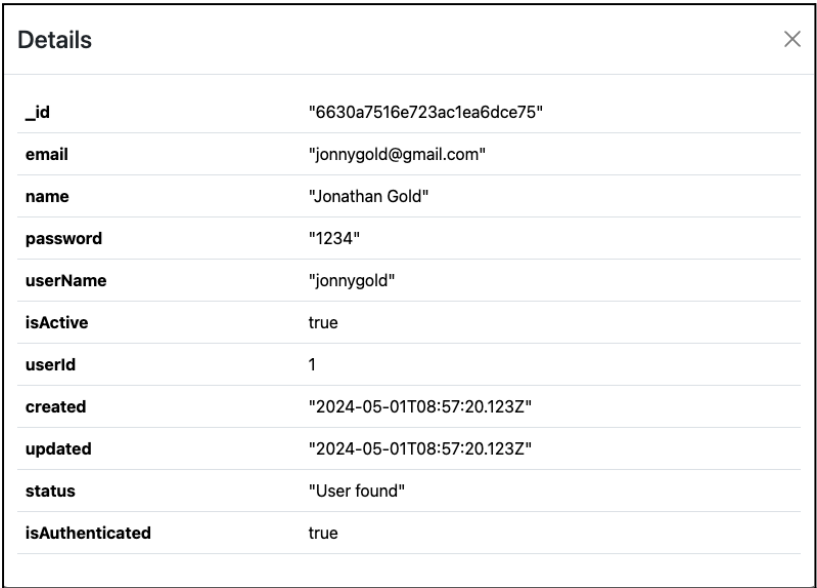
In [Part Eight](#), we introduced you to Angular Services, RXJS, and CORS. We used this information to integrate our app with the Task Management API. Now, we can authenticate users and retrieve tasks directly from the API. In this installment, we will complete the API integration by adding task management functionality.



The sample code for this installment is available on [GitHub](#).

Display Profile and Task Data

Let's start by creating a new component for displaying JSON data, such as a user profile or a task. Our Modal component will display this sub-component.





In your IDE's integrated terminal, open the project folder and type:

```
ng generate component components/details-table
```

Open `src/app/components/details-table/details-table.component.ts`. At the top of the file, add the following references.

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

Update the `@components` directive's import section to include the `CommonModule`.

```
@Component({
  selector: 'app-details-table',
  standalone: true,
  imports: [ CommonModule ],
})
```

At the top of the file, declare an `Input` variable to receive data from a component.

```
@Input() row:any=null
```

Add a method called `getRowValues`. This function will be called from `details-table.component.html`. The function receives an object called `row`. In the function, declare an array called `data` to hold and return the processed data. Then, declare a variable called `objectArray` that is the result of an `Object.entries()` method. This converts the rows into an iterable object.

```
getRowValues(row:any) {
  let data:any = []
  const objectArray = Object.entries(row);
  objectArray.forEach(([key, value]) => {
    data.push({key:key, value:JSON.stringify(value)})
  });
  return data
}
```

Using a `forEach` method, we can loop through `objectArray` as an array (list) of key-value pairs. The key is the name of the object, and value is the value of the object, for example:

```
{ "email": "jonnygold@gmail.com" }
```

This value is converted to a string and appended to an array.

Open `src/app/components/details-table/details-table.component.ts`. Remove the boilerplate code with this table.

```
<table class="table">
  <tbody>
    <tr *ngFor="let val of getRowValues(row);let i = index">
      <th style="vertical-align: top;">
        <span>{{val.key}}</span>
      </th>
      <td>{{val.value}}</td>
    </tr>
```



```
</tbody>
</table>
```

The table calls `getRowValues` and passes the row object input object. It displays the key in the left column and its corresponding value in the right column.

Managing Tasks

Our next task is to modify the Modal component to manage tasks. In addition to the Task Add and Details table, the Modal will support task editing. This includes the ability to change a tasks status.

Edit Task

×

Name

Task 1

Description

A new task description

Status

do

▼

Submit

First, we add references to `DetailsTableComponent`.

```
import { DetailsTableComponent } from '../details-table/details-table.component';

@Component({
  selector: 'app-modal',
  standalone: true,
  imports: [ CommonModule, ReactiveFormsModule, DetailsTableComponent ],
  templateUrl: './modal.component.html',
  styleUrls: ['./modal.component.scss']
})
}
```

Update the `ModalComponent` class's input and output variables.

```
export class ModalComponent {
  @Input() tableData: any;
  @Input() title: string = "Add Task";
  @Input() item: any = null;
  @Input() size: string = 'sm';
  @Output() taskEvent = new EventEmitter<any>();
}
```

Add a user variable to retrieve the stored user profile. Then, add the `taskStatus` list.

```
user: any = JSON.parse(sessionStorage.getItem('user') || '{}');
```



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```
taskStatus:string[] = ["do","doing","done"];
```

Update the taskForm object to include task status.

```
taskForm = new FormGroup({
  user: new FormControl(this.user.userName),
  name: new FormControl('New Task'),
  description: new FormControl('My new task description'),
  status: new FormControl('do'),
});
```

Modify the openModal class method to support task editing. The function checks if the taskForm's title is set to 'Edit Task' and populates the taskForm accordingly.

```
openModal(content:any, title:string) {
  if(this.title === "Edit Task"){
    this.taskForm.patchValue({
      name: this.item.name,
      description: this.item.description,
      status: this.item.status,
    });
  }
  this.modalService.open(content, { size: this.size, scrollable: true })
}
```

Now, update onSubmit to support adding and editing tasks. Depending on the option, the sendTask method is called and passed an object that includes the path of the API endpoint and a payload (data) to be sent.

```
onSubmit(){
  if (this.title==='Add Task'){
    this.sendTask({
      path:'/api/tasks/add',
      data:{
        ...this.taskForm.value,
        added: new Date().toISOString(),
        updated: new Date().toISOString(),
        taskId: this.tableData.length + 1,
        isActive: true,
      }
    })
  }
  else if (this.title==='Edit Task'){
    this.sendTask({
      path:`/api/tasks/update/${this.item.taskId}`,
      data:{
        ...this.taskForm.value,
        updated: new Date().toISOString(),
        isActive: true,
      }
    })
  }
}
```



Add the `sendTask` function to pass the task data back to the `Tasks` component. The data is passed using the `taskEvent` object's `emit` method.

```
sendTask (payload:any) {  
  this.taskEvent.emit (payload)  
  this.modalService.dismissAll ()  
}
```

After updating the code file, we update the component's html. Open `src/app/components/details-table/details-table.component.ts`. In the modal-body add two HTML divs that check if title is set to 'Details'

```
<div class="modal-body">  
  <div *ngIf="title==='Details'"></div>  
  <div *ngIf="title!=='Details'"></div>  
</div>
```

In the top div, add a reference to the details-table component. Assign the row input variable the item passed to the Modal.

```
<div *ngIf="title==='Details'">  
  <app-details-table [row]="item"></app-details-table>  
</div>
```

In the second div, insert the task form. At the bottom of the form, add a select component that displays a list of task statuses. This list is only displayed when editing a task.

```
<div *ngIf="title!=='Details'">  
  <form class="form" [formGroup]="taskForm" (ngSubmit)="onSubmit()">  
    ...  
    <div class="mb-3" *ngIf="title === 'Edit Task'">  
      <label>Status</label>  
      <select class="form-select" formControlName="status">  
        <option *ngFor="let item of taskStatus" [value]="item">{{item}}</option>  
      </select>  
    </div>  
    ...  
  </form>  
</div>
```

After the Modal, template, update the button section with the following code:

```
<div class="d-grid gap-2 d-md-flex justify-content-md-center">  
  <button *ngIf="title!=='Details'" class="btn btn-primary rounded-pill"  
    (click)="openModal (content, title)">  
    >  
    {{title}}  
  </button>  
  <button *ngIf="title==='Details'" class="btn btn-secondary rounded-pill"  
    (click)="openModal (content, title)">  
    >  
    {{title}}  
  </button>  
</div>
```



Updating the Tasks Component

After modifying the subcomponents, we can update the Task component's table to support the new task management functionality.

Open `src/app/tasks/tasks.component.ts`.

Move this line of code from `ngOnInit` to the constructor.

```
constructor(  
  public httpService:HttpService  
) {  
  this.user = JSON.parse(sessionStorage.getItem('user') || '{}');  
}
```

Create a new function called `getTasks` and move the code that requests tasks to it from `ngOnInit`.

```
getTasks() {  
  this.httpService.getServiceData(`/api/tasks/user/${this.user.userName}`)  
    .subscribe((data: any) => {  
      this.tableData = data  
    });  
}
```

Now, we update the list of tasks when the page loads, and when we add, edit, or delete tasks.

In `ngOnInit`, add a call to `getTasks`.

```
ngOnInit(): void {  
  this.getTasks()  
}
```

Next, add a function that deletes tasks. This sends a path and a payload to a function that handles HTTP post requests to the API.

```
deleteTask(item:any) {  
  this.manageTask({  
    path:`/api/tasks/delete`,  
    data:{  
      taskId:item.taskId  
    }  
  })  
}
```

Now, add the `manageTask` function to send the payload using the `httpServices`'s `postServiceData` method.

```
manageTask(task:any) {  
  this.httpService.postServiceData(task.path, task.data).subscribe((data: any) => {  
    if(data !==null) this.getTasks()  
  });  
}
```

Open `src/app/tasks/tasks.component.ts`. In the table header, add the following row:

```
<th colspan="3">Actions</th>
```



The row has a colspan (width) of three columns. This matches the three buttons we will add to each row of the table body with this code.

```
<tbody>
<tr *ngFor="let item of tableData">
  <td *ngFor="let col of tableCols">{{item[col]}}</td>
  <td>
    <app-modal [title]='Details' [item]="item" [size]='lg'></app-modal>
  </td>
  <td>
    <app-modal
      [title]='Edit Task'
      [item]="item"
      (taskEvent)="manageTask($event) "
    >
    </app-modal>
  </td>
  <td>
    <button
      class="btn btn-danger rounded-pill"
      (click)="deleteTask(item) "
    >
    Delete
    </button>
  </td>
</tr>
</tbody>
```

Modifying the Profile Component

Our final change is to update the Profile component to use display a Modal with the Details table. Open `src/app/components/profile/profile.component.ts`. Add a reference to `ModalComponent` and update the `@Component` directive.

```
import { ModalComponent } from '../modal/modal.component';
@Component({
  selector: 'app-profile',
  standalone: true,
  imports: [ CommonModule, NgbAlertModule, ModalComponent ],
  templateUrl: './profile.component.html',
  styleUrls: ['./profile.component.scss']
})
```



Open `src/app/components/profile/profile.component.html`. Replace the existing code with:

```
<ngb-alert [dismissible]="false" [type]="primary">
  <strong>Welcome:</strong> {{user.name}}
  <span class="float-end" style="margin-top: -9px;">
    <app-modal [title]='Details' [item]="user" [size]='lg'></app-modal>
  </span>
</ngb-alert>
```

Refresh your browser and the following is displayed.

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Logout

Welcome: Jonathan Gold

Details

Name	Description	Added	Updated	Status	Actions
Task 1	A new task description	2024-12-04T09:10:14.620Z	2025-01-28T13:32:52.467Z	do	<div>Details</div> <div>Edit Task</div> <div>Delete</div>
Task 2	My second task	2024-12-04T09:10:03.681Z	2024-12-04T09:10:03.681Z	doing	<div>Details</div> <div>Edit Task</div> <div>Delete</div>
Task 3	My new task description updated	2024-12-04T11:19:12.058Z	2025-01-28T13:32:33.876Z	done	<div>Details</div> <div>Edit Task</div> <div>Delete</div>

Add Task

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Conclusion and What's Next

In this installment, we completed our application by adding task management features. If you enjoyed this series, check out my previous series on NodeJS or React. Both are available from my website at <https://jonnygold.net>.