### Web Application Development



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INTRODUCTION & TERMINOLOGY



# Objectives

To give you a foundation on which you can begin to understand all of the other tutorials and documentation out there.

We will cover...

- Why
- Terminology
- and How

We will also cover how to build your first AngularJS application (mostly in the Labs!)



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- 3. **Modules** Reusable functionality
- 4. **Views** UI (User Interaction)
- 5. **Controllers** Facilitating communication between the model and the view
- 6. Routes Navigating the view
- 7. **Filters** Changing the way you see things
- 8. **Services** Five recipe flavors
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# Introduction

WHY YOU SHOULD BE USING ANGULARIS



# What is AngularJS and why use it?

- ☐ First off, why use JavaScript?
  - To dynamically update your HTML document and to get data to and from it.
- AngularJS is an open-source framework (a JavaScript library) that makes it easier to communicate between your HTML document and JavaScript. Used for developing Dynamic Web Apps (SPAs in modern lingo).
  - ☐ Developed in 2009 by Miško Hevery and Adam Abrons
  - Maintained by Google
  - Actively developed and supported (GitHub)

HTML is great for declaring static documents, but it falters when we try to use it for declaring dynamic views in web applications. AngularJS lets you extend HTML vocabulary for your application. The resulting environment is extraordinarily expressive, readable, and quick to develop



# Anatomy of an Angular Application

- Controllers
- Models
- Services
- Directives
- Modules
- **☐** Filters
- Factories
- □ Scopes (Models)
- **☐** Templates
- Routes

We will cover most of these in some form during the sections on Angular



# What Makes an AngularJS App?

Load AngularJS

Bootstrap

```
<html ng-app>
```

- Declare relationships
  - o ng-model="yourName"



```
<!doctype html>
1
      <html ng-app>
2
3
        <head>
          <script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/angularjs/1.0.7/angular.min.js"></script>
4
        </head>
        <body>
6
          <div>
            <input type="text" ng-model="yourName" placeholder="Enter a name here">
            <h1>Hello, {{ yourName }}!</h1>
9
          </div>
10
        </body>
11
      </html>
12
```

- 1. Browsers generates 'document ready' event when DOM is built.
- 2. ng-app directive causes AngularJS to register a handler for this 'document ready' event.
- 3. Handler amends the DOM based on other directives contained in the HTML.



### Try it

Enter a name here

Hello,!



### Try it

Da

### Hello, Da!



### Try it

Dave

### Hello, Dave!

# Terminology

THE CRITICAL FOUNDATION FOR UNDERSTANDING



### Model View Controller

#### What is the MVC?

- Model the data
- View the user interface, what the user sees and interact with
- Controller the interface between the model and the view

The model is not necessarily the data from the database

The browser, server, and database can have their own MVC systems and often do

When we talk about the MVC in this presentation we'll be talking about the MVC on client side, in the browser



# Data Binding

### What is data binding?

 Data-binding in Angular apps is the automatic synchronization of data between the model and view components. (<a href="https://docs.angularjs.org/guide/databinding">https://docs.angularjs.org/guide/databinding</a>)

From the AngularJS example below we have several data binding instances (marked in red).



## Expressions

### What is a JavaScript expression?

 An expression produces a value and can be written wherever a value is expected. (<a href="http://www.2ality.com/2012/09/expressions-vs-statements.html">http://www.2ality.com/2012/09/expressions-vs-statements.html</a>)

```
Myvar;
3 + x;
myfunc("a", "b");
```

### AngularJS also has expressions:

 Angular expressions are JavaScript-like code snippets that are usually placed in bindings such as

{{ expression }}. (<a href="https://docs.angularjs.org/guide/expression">https://docs.angularjs.org/guide/expression</a>)



### Directive

#### What is a directive?

• It is a marker on an HTML element (such as an attribute, element name, comment, or CSS class) that AngularJS recognizes and uses to create a customized set of functionality and/or user interface.

AngularJS comes with many pre-built directives, but you can also write your own custom directives.



### Controller

#### What is a controller?

- Controllers link the model and the view using the AngularJS service: \$scope
- Nesting controllers is both possible and frequently done.

#### **HTML** Fragment

```
<div ng-app='myApp' ng-controller="myController">
     Hello, {{name}}!
     {{greet()}}
</div>
```

#### JavaScript fragment

```
var module = angular.module('myApp', []);

module.controller('myController', [
   '$scope', function($scope) {

   $scope.name = 'John Smith';

   $scope.greet = function() {
      return 'Hello, ' + $scope.name + '!';
   };

}]);
```



## Scope

### What is scope?

It is the context in which an expression is evaluated.

This example has three scopes, one of which inherits a variable from its parent scope.

```
function foo() {
    var name = "John";

function hello() {
    var name = "Jack";
    return "Hello, " + name;
}

function goodbye() {
    return "Good bye, " + name;
}

hello(); //returns "Hello, Jack"
    goodbye(); //returns "Good bye, John";
}
```



### Modules

#### What is a module?

A container for code for the different parts of your applications.

A module is used to define **services** that are reusable by both the HTML document and other modules:

- Controller
- Directive
- Constant, Value
- Factory, Provider, Service
- Filter

**Best Practice:** Divide your code into modules with distinct functionality. Don't put everything in one module.



### Service

#### What is a service?

• The supplying or supplier of utilities or commodities, as water, electricity, or gas, required or demanded by the public. (<a href="http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/service">http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/service</a>)

In programming we can define a service as...

 The supplying or supplier of utilities or commodities, as functions, values, or objects, required or demanded by an expression.

In AngularJS you can define services that provide functionality that can be used repeatedly throughout your code.



# Dependency Injection

When one function is dependent on the data or functionality of something else, that something else must be accessible.



#### **OPTION 2: USE DEPENDENCY INJECTION**

```
function divide(a, b) {
   return a / b;
}
```



# Dependency Injection

Dependency injection requires specific data from each parameter. You can't use the divide function like this:

```
function divide(a, b) {
  return a / b;
}
divide('hello', { x: 2 });
```



# Routing

### What is Routing?

Allows SPAs behave like traditional Web Applications/sites:

- 1. forward/back button support
- 2. deep-linking to specific content.
  - Old-style AJAX Web apps did not support routing the addressability problem.

#### Advantages:

Bookmarking; Link sharing; Direct navigation.

#### Two solution approaches:

- 1. Hash-based, e.g. http://domain\_name/#/some\_app\_url
- 2. PushState, e.g. http://domain\_name/some\_app\_url

Angular supports both -(1) is default.

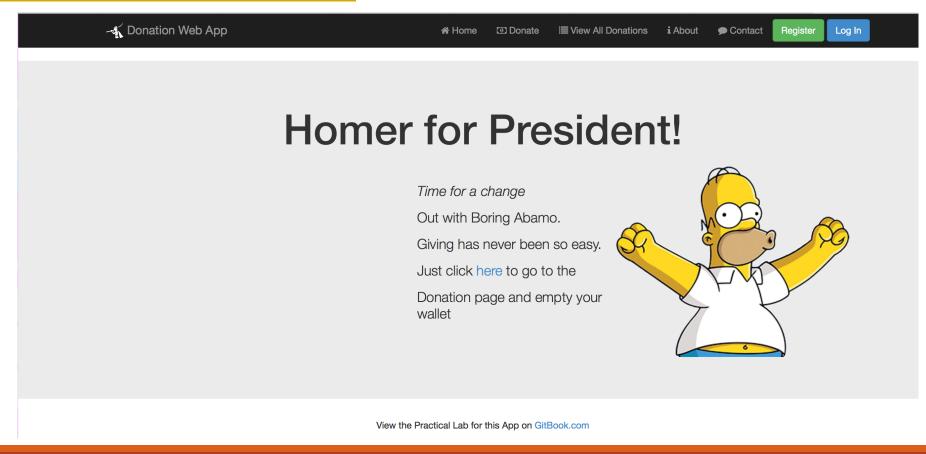
# Case Study

LABS IN ACTION



# Demo Application

http://donationweb-4-0.herokuapp.com





## Questions?