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# Introduction to Angular

## Lab Manual

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# About this Lab Manual

This lab manual provides a series of hands-on exercises for learning how to build web applications using Angular.

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## Conventions

Each hands-on exercise in this manual will consist of a series of steps to accomplish a learning objective.

## Code Blocks

- All paths in the are relative to the **project-manage** directory.

So the file below will be found at:

*AngularCourse\code\labs\working\project-manage\app.module.ts*

- **Highlighted code** indicates code that has changed. If the code is not highlighted it should already exist from a previous step.
- Code with a ~~Strikethrough~~ should be removed.
- ... Indicates code has been omitted for formatting and clarity but you should leave these sections of code in your running application.
- Most code snippets are short and easy to type but some are longer so a file with the contents of the code to add is provided in the folder.

*AngularCourse\code\labs\snippets\*

- If a code snippets is provided for a code block the file path will appear below the code block as show below.

app.module.ts

```
import { NgModule } from '@angular/core';
import { AppComponent } from './app.component';
import { BrowserModule } from '@angular/platform-browser';

@NgModule({
  declarations: [AppComponent],
  imports: [BrowserModule],
  bootstrap: [AppComponent],
})
```

snippets\lab00-step00.html

## Commands

These commands should be run in a command-prompt (Windows) or terminal (Mac).

```
ng -v
```

## Sidebars

The boxes are sidebars and should be read.

The boxes with blue borders are information and tips.

The boxes with red borders are alerts.

## Completion

At the end of each lab you will see:

✓ You have completed Lab ...



# Lab 1: Creating a New Project

## Objectives

- ☐ Verify the Angular CLI is installed
- ☐ Create a new Angular project
- ☐ Open the new project
- ☐ Review the default project structure

## Steps

### Verify the Angular CLI is installed

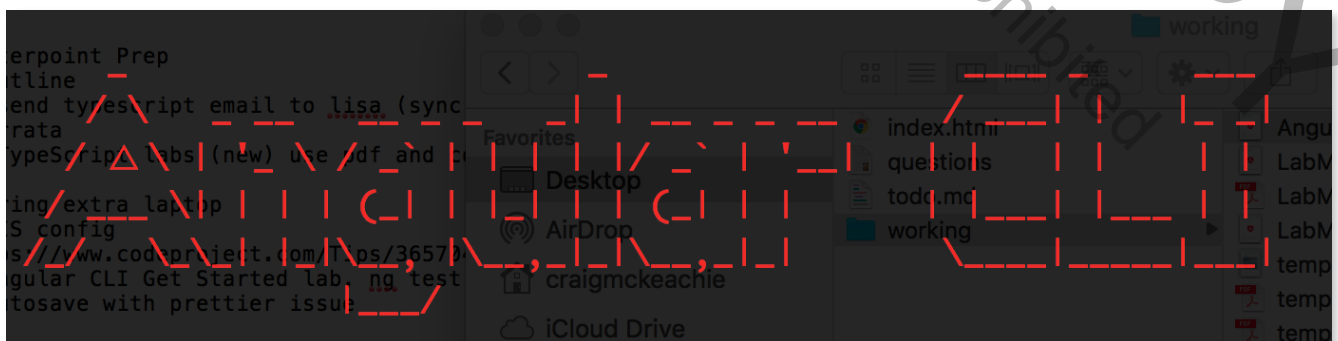
1. Open a **command prompt** (Windows) or **terminal** (Mac).

You can be in *any* directory when you run the command because the Angular CLI is installed globally.

2. **Run** the command.

```
ng v
```

3. **Verify** the output.



## Create a new Angular project

4. Change the current directory to **AngularCourse\code\labs\working**.
5. **Run** the command.

```
ng new project-manage
```

6. You will receive the following prompt. **Type y** to answer yes.

```
? Would you like to add Angular routing? (y/N)
```

7. You will receive another prompt. Hit **enter** to accept the default of CSS.

```
? Which stylesheet format would you like to use? (Use arrow keys)
> CSS
SCSS [ http://sass-lang.com ]
SASS [ http://sass-lang.com ]
LESS [ http://lesscss.org ]
Stylus [ http://stylus-lang.com ]
```

8. A new Angular project will be created for you.

This could take a several minutes and requires an internet connection to install Angular and the other libraries from **npmjs.com**.

Adding Angular routings tells the Angular CLI to create a routing module where we can configure our routes.

Choosing CSS tells the CLI we don't want to use a preprocessor for our styles.

## Open the new project

9. Change the current directory (cd) to the directory you created in the last step.

```
cd project-manage
```

10. **Open** the **project-manage** directory in your **editor** of choice.

If you are using Visual Studio Code you can run following command:

```
code .
```

...**code** refers to Visual Studio Code and **.** means current directory.

## Review the default project structure

11. Take a few minutes to go over the **default** project **structure** with your instructor. Below are some things to discuss.
  - a. Open **package.json** and review the **dependencies** (JavaScript libraries) installed as well as the **scripts**.
  - b. Understand each of the files involved in **bootstrapping** (starting) an Angular application.
    1. app.component.html | app.component.ts
    2. index.html
    3. app.module.ts
    4. main.ts

✓ You have completed Lab 1

# Lab 2: Running Your Project

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## Objectives

- ☐ Run the project
  - ☐ Make a change and see the app update
- 

## Steps

### Run the project

1. If you don't already have one open, **open** a **command prompt** (Windows) or **terminal** (Mac). Set the directory to **project-manage**.

```
ng serve --open
```

The flag **--open** automatically opens your default web browser with the application running in it.

2. **Run** the command.
3. The project will:
  - build and bundle the code
  - open a development web server
  - open your default web browser

4. The page should display an Angular logo and the text shown below.

Welcome to project-manage!

If your default browser is **Internet Explorer** you will see a blank page because the **polyfills** needed to support IE are not included by default.

- Uncomment the following lines to get the application working in **IE**.
  - You may need to stop the web server using **Ctrl+C** and then restart it using the command from the first step of this lab.

src\polyfills.ts

```
* BROWSER POLYFILLS  
*/  
  
/** IE9, IE10 and IE11 requires all of the following polyfills. */  
import 'core-js/es6/symbol';  
import 'core-js/es6/object';  
import 'core-js/es6/function';  
import 'core-js/es6/parse-int';  
import 'core-js/es6/parse-float';  
import 'core-js/es6/number';  
import 'core-js/es6/math';  
import 'core-js/es6/string';  
import 'core-js/es6/date';  
import 'core-js/es6/array';  
import 'core-js/es6/regexp';  
import 'core-js/es6/map';  
import 'core-js/es6/weak-map';  
import 'core-js/es6/set';
```

## Make a change and see the app update

5. Open and edit the file:

src\app\app.component.ts

```
@Component({
  selector: 'app-root',
  templateUrl: './app.component.html',
  styleUrls: ['./app.component.css']
})
export class AppComponent {
  title = 'project manage';
  title = 'my house';
}
```

6. Save your changes.
7. The browser should automatically reload and display.

Welcome to my house!

✓ You have completed Lab 2

# Lab 3: Styles: Using a CSS Framework

## Objectives

- ☐ Install a CSS framework
- ☐ Stop and restart the build and web server
- ☐ Verify styles are working in app

## Steps

### Install a CSS framework

1. **Open** a **new** (leave *ng serve* running) **command prompt** (Windows) or **terminal** (Mac). Set the directory to **project-manage**.
2. Run the command.

```
npm install mini.css@3.0.0
```

- The JavaScript package manager **npm** automatically adds **mini.css** as a **dependency**.

package.json

```
"dependencies": {  
  ...  
  "core-js": "^2.5.4",  
  "mini.css": "^3.0.0",  
  "rxjs": "^6.0.0",  
  "zone.js": "^0.8.26"  
},  
...
```

**Mini.css** is a **minimal**, responsive, style-agnostic **CSS framework**. Mini.css is similar to Bootstrap but lighter and **requires fewer CSS classes** so you can **focus on learning Angular** but still get a **professional look**.



3. **Include** the framework's **stylesheet** in the Angular CLI's configuration.

angular.json

```
"projects": {  
  "project-manage": {  
    "root": "",  
    "sourceRoot": "src",  
    "projectType": "application",  
    "prefix": "app",  
    "schematics": {},  
    "architect": {  
      "build": {  
        "builder": "@angular-devkit/build-angular:browser",  
        "options": {  
          "outputPath": "dist/project-manage",  
          "index": "src/index.html",  
          "main": "src/main.ts",  
          "polyfills": "src/polyfills.ts",  
          "tsConfig": "src/tsconfig.app.json",  
          "assets": [  
            "src/favicon.ico",  
            "src/assets"  
          ],  
          "styles": [  
            "node_modules/mini.css/dist/mini-default.min.css",  
            "src/styles.css"  
          ],  
          "scripts": []  
        },  
        "configurations": {}  
      }  
    }  
  }  
},  
...  
}
```

In WebStorm files with a \*.min.css extension are hidden under the un-minified version of the file.

## Stop and restart the build and web server

4. **Focus** your cursor in the **command prompt** (Windows) or **terminal** (Mac). and use **[Ctrl+C]** to stop the build and web server.

Windows users will be prompted if it is OK to terminate the process and should answer **[y+enter]**.

5. **Run** the command.

```
ng serve --open
```

Your current directory should still be set to **project-manage** or the above command will not work.

6. The application will **build** and **open** a **browser**.

## Verify styles are working in app

7. **Open** the file **app\app.component.html**.

8. **Delete** all **contents** from the file.

9. **Add** the following quote.

```
src\app\app.component.html
```

```
<blockquote cite="Benjamin Franklin">  
  Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and  
  I learn.  
</blockquote>
```

```
snippets\lab03-step09.html
```

10. Save your changes.
11. The browser should automatically reload and display the quote with the CSS styles shown below.



*Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn.*

— Benjamin Franklin

✓ You have completed Lab 3



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