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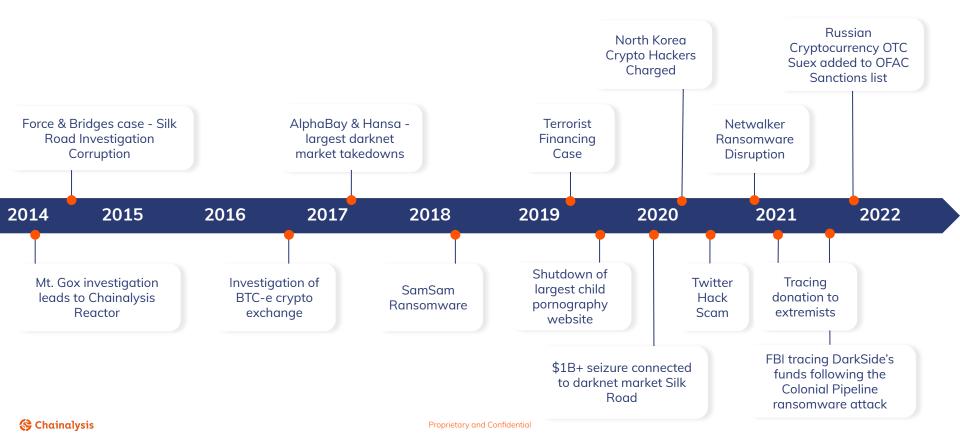
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React in Angular - How to have your cake and eat it too GOTO Aarhus

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This is me



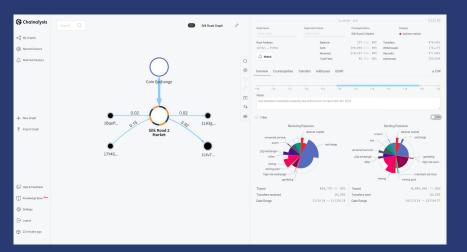
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I am a software and tech enthusiast who love to do and build things which brings joy to people.

I love a bit of boardgames, the random LARP and am continuously failing to get back into yoga.

I have had the pain of supporting IE7.

What we do in Aarhus

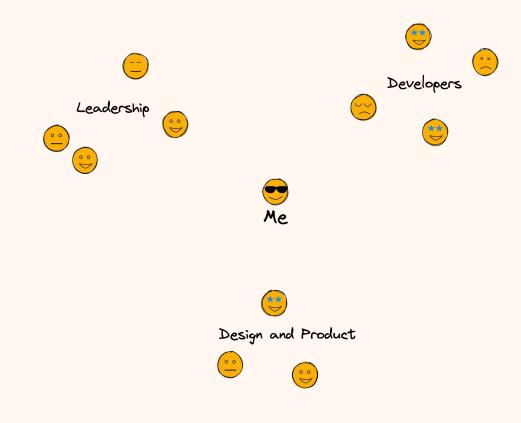


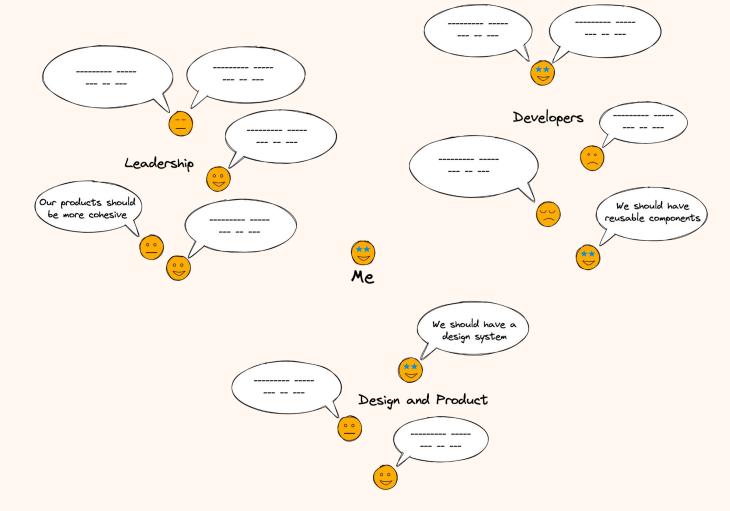
Reactor

At Chainalysis Aarhus we build a tool for investigating Crypto crimes.

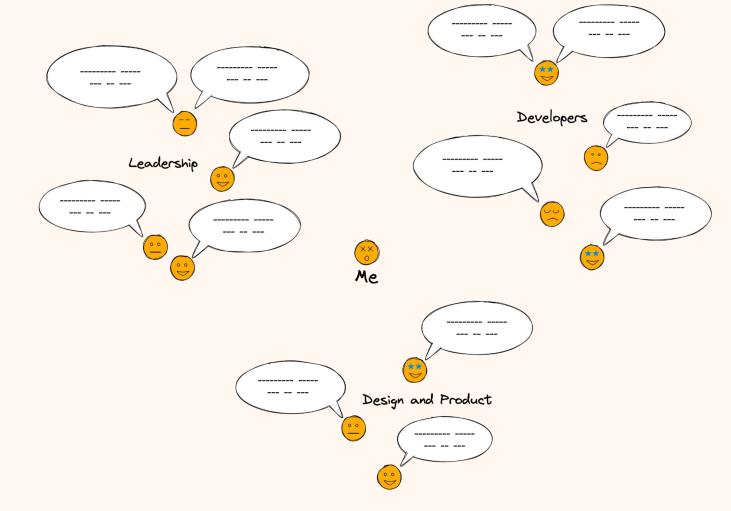
We work with multiple teams and designers over many time-zones.

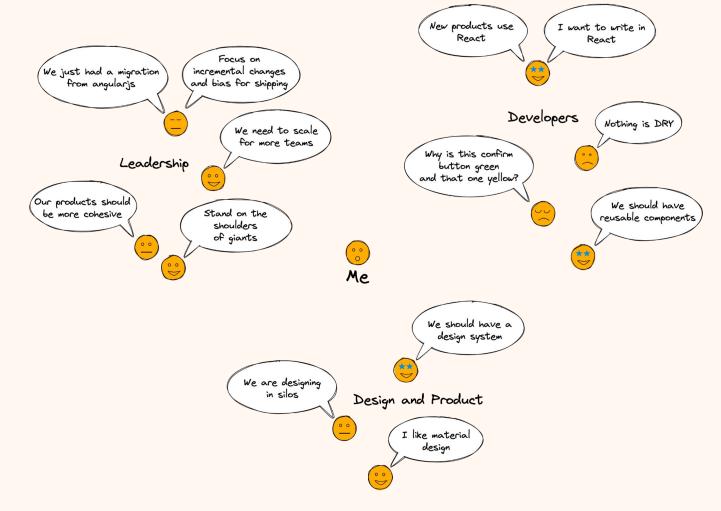
We are growing a lot!





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Start With Why

Why

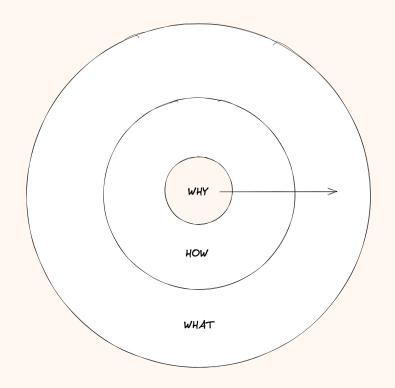
What is your cause? What pains are you addressing?

How

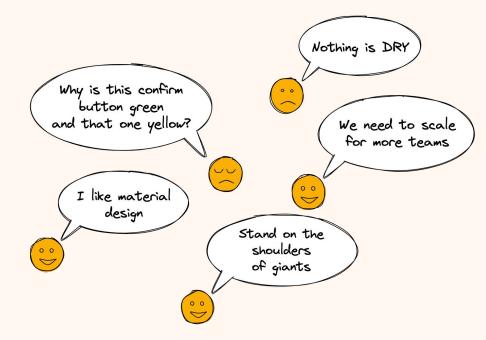
Specific actions taken to realise your why.

What

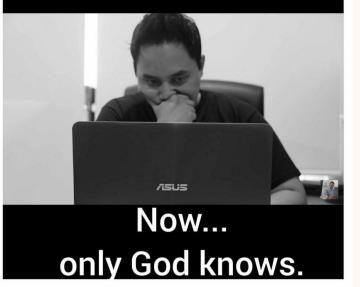
What do you do? The result of Why. Proof.



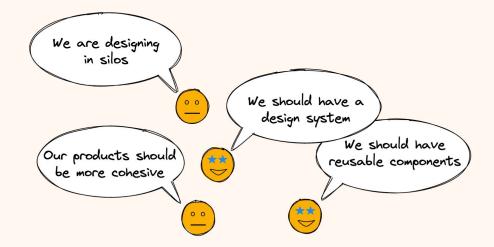
The Pains - Growing



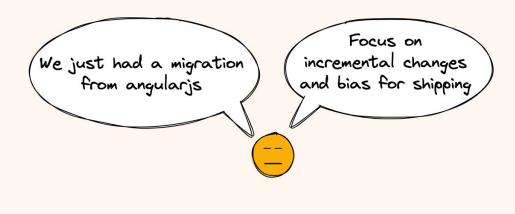
When I wrote this code, only God & I understood what it did.

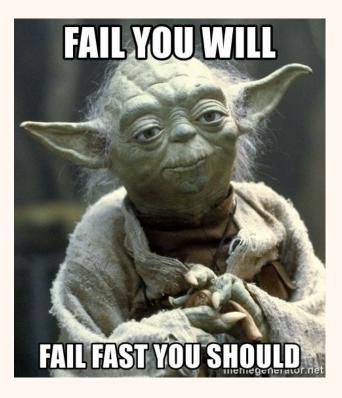


The Pains - UX + DX



The Pains - Past Experience

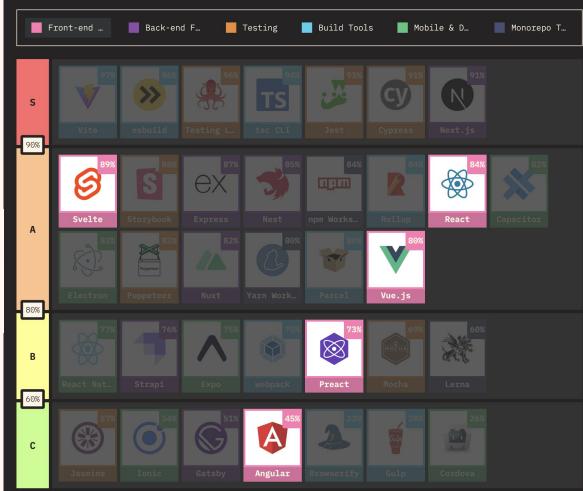




The Pains - React

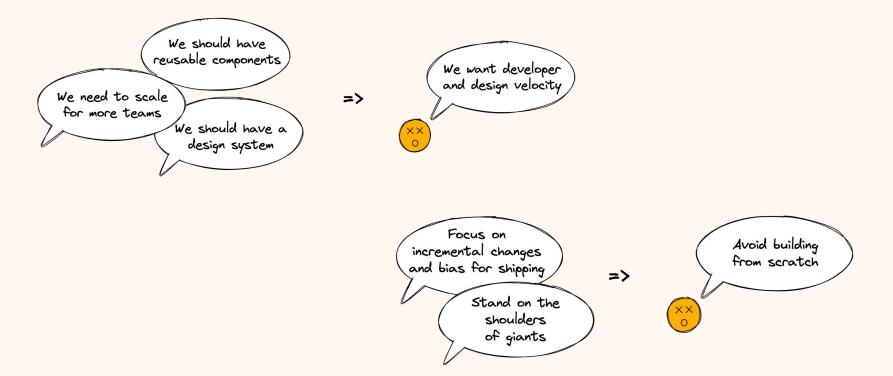


This chart ranks libraries based on their satisfaction ratio (percentage of users who would use a library again). Note that libraries used by less than 10% of survey respondents are not included.



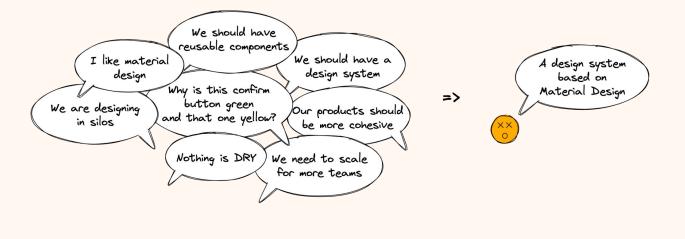
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Framing the challenge



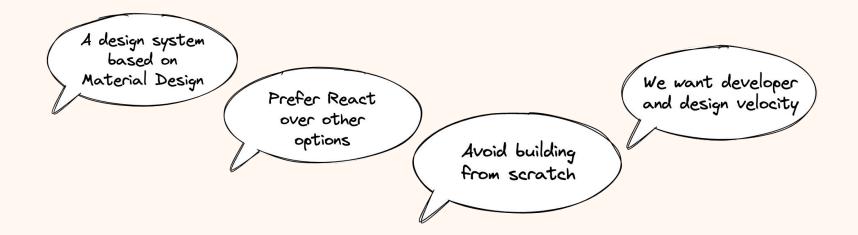
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Framing the challenge





Framing the challenge



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Reactangular!?





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Exploring the solutions

- Micro-frontends
- Web components
- React components
- Some combination of the above?

User stories

User stories derived from the known unknowns as well as general questions developers might have for an integration. The stories will address two pseudo-groups of cases, one addressing those involved in selectively using React components in Reactor (bottom-up/incremental approach) and another targeting the "new feature" use case. By ensuring we represent both we'll cover the vast majority of cases that developers would encounter when working on a future Reactor with React.

As a Reactor contributor/developer:

#	Title	Story
1	Develop reusable React component	How can I develop a component in React that myself and others can use across Reactor, both in Angular and React, using the best practices and tools to facilitate it (Storybook, unit tests etc)?
2	Use reusable React component	How can I utilize a React component in the features I own in order to move towards our design system and save time writing it myself?
3	Use reusable React component with Angular content projection	How can I use Angular component X in my React code Y with content projection so I can avoid rewriting it as I don't have time (right now)?
4	Use routable React component	How can I make a React component routable such that visiting an url displays that component?
5	Styling React components	How can I customize the styling of React components and make them fit into my existing Angular hierarchy?
6	Develop new feature/vertical slice	How can I implement a completely new feature in React consisting of both data, domain and ui layers in the best way possible?
7	Shared state across subtrees	How can I share state (e.g context, Apollo cache, whatever) between two components in separate subtrees with different Angular parents, such that I can keep state out of Angular when it makes sense?
8	Horizontal sweeps	How can I align the L&F of Reactor towards the design system while ensuring consistency underway (e.g avoid switching out a single button besides existing buttons that look different)
9	Performance	How can I ensure my usage of React and Angular is performant and doesn't slow down the app?
10	Component API	How can I use React components inside Angular in the nicest way possible (less boilerplate, least friction)

Global style issues

We thought we could use shadow DOM for encapsulating MUI styling.

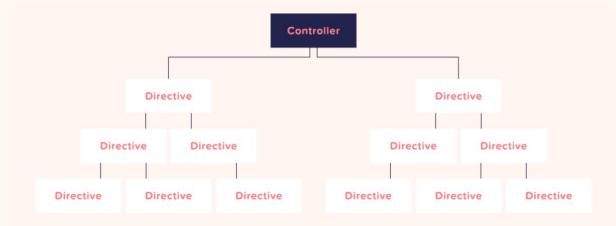
We were wrong.



Bottom up, Incremental Changes

Presentational components first

This way we can change the leaf components first, and then, if desired, move upwards.



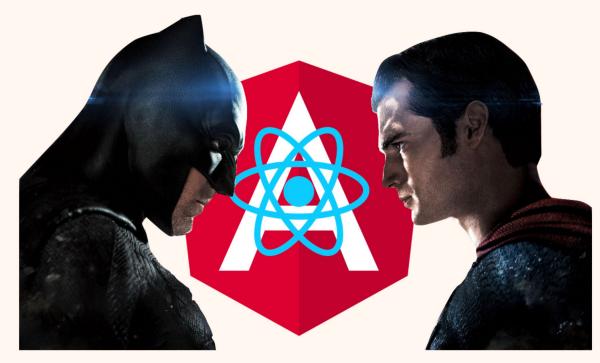
So can you have your cake and eat it too?

Or are just we doubling the cognitive load?

- Chasing two rabbits, catching none?
- Robbing Peter to pay Paul?
- Between a rock and a hard place?
- Falling between two stools?
- Walking and chewing gum at the same time?
- A servant to two masters?
- Betwixt and between?
- Riding two horses with one ass?
- Multitasking to a standstill?



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Putting React in Angular

Angular component

@Component({ selector: 'csui-

	selector: csui-checkbox,
	<pre>template: '<cs-react-component [spec]="spec" [theme]="theme"></cs-react-component>',</pre>
	changeDetection: ChangeDetectionStrategy.OnPush,
11	})
12	export class CheckboxComponent {
13	<pre>@Input() public checked?: boolean;</pre>
14	<pre>@Input() public disabled?: boolean;</pre>
	<pre>@Input() public indeterminate?: boolean;</pre>
	<pre>@Input() public label?: string;</pre>
17	<pre>@Input() public theme?: ThemeType;</pre>
	<pre>@Output() public valueChange = new EventEmitter<event>();</event></pre>
	<pre>public get spec(): AngularReactComponentSpec<typeof checkbox=""> {</typeof></pre>
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	component: Checkbox,
	props: {
	checked: this.checked,
	disabled: this.disabled,
	indeterminate: this.indeterminate,
	label: this.label,
28	onChange: this.handleChange,
29	
30	};
33	<pre>private handleChange = (event: React.ChangeEvent<htmlinputelement>) => this.valueChange.emit(event)</htmlinputelement></pre>
34	}

React component

export interface CheckboxProps {
checked?: boolean;
disabled?: boolean;
indeterminate?: boolean;
label?: string;
<pre>onChange?: (event: React.ChangeEvent<htmlinputelement>) => void;</htmlinputelement></pre>
export const Checkbox = ({ checked, disabled, indeterminate, label, onChange }: CheckboxProps) => {
if (label) {
<pre><formcontrollabel< pre=""></formcontrollabel<></pre>
<pre>control={<muicheckbox indeterminate="{indeterminate}" onchange="{onChange}"></muicheckbox>}</pre>
label={label}
checked={checked}
disabled={disabled}
labelPlacement={'end'}
);

return <MuiCheckBox checked={checked} disabled={disabled} indeterminate={indeterminate} onChange={onChange} />;

Putting React in Angular

(Outside the zone)

The glue in-between

if (!this.spec) { return; }

private render() {

// eslint-disable-next-line @typescript-eslint/no-unsafe-argument
const props = this.angularifyCallbackProps(this.spec.props);

```
const el = React.createElement(this.spec.component, props);
const app = React.createElement(ReactApp, {
    children: el,
    theme: this.getTheme(),
    disableCssReset: this.disableCssReset,
});
```

// Run outside Angular zone to avoid potential event listeners from the React code
// triggering change detection in Angular. Without this MUIs tooltips for example
// will trigger thousands of change cycles per second due to mousemove listeners.
// A result of this is that we need to explicitly run all callbacks from React
// in the Angular zone. This is handled by angularifyCallbackProps.
this.ngZone.runOutsideAngular(() => {

ReactDOM.render(app, this.elementRef.nativeElement);

```
})
```

Putting React in Angular

(Back into the zone)

```
* Wrap all callbacks in a zone.run(..) call to ensure they execute in the context
         * of the Angular zone. This is necessary because we run the entire React app outside
         * the Angular zone per above.
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         * The transformed in-zone callbacks are cached in order to keep delivering the same reference to the React render props,
         * which ensures they do not break potential memoizations in the rendered React component.
        private angularifyCallbackProps(props: Record<string, unknown>): Record<string, unknown> {
          return Object.fromEntries(
            Object.entries(props).map(([prop, value]) => {
              if (typeof value === 'function') {
                if (!this.zonedCallbackProps.has(value)) {
                  // eslint-disable-next-line @typescript-eslint/no-unsafe-return
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                  this.zonedCallbackProps.set(value, (...args: never[]) => this.ngZone.run(() => value(...args)));
116
                return [prop, this.zonedCallbackProps.get(value)];
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              return [prop, value];
            }),
          );
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```

What did we learn?

You might want to ask a bit before rejecting crazy ideas.

If you ask for the **why** of it, the reason.

And try to understand the **what** of it, the gist.

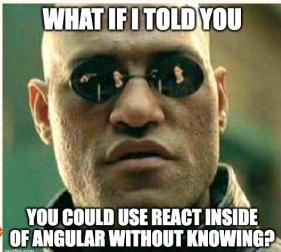
Then, you might come to agree with the **how** of it, the implementation.

What did we learn?

You might want to explain a bit before proposing crazy ideas.

If you explain the **why** of it, the reasons. People will try to understand the **what** of it, the gist. Then, they might come to agree with the **how** of it, the implementation.







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Thank you! Questions?



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