

TypeScript Basics & Best Practices

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What's wrong with JavaScript

- Lack of modularity
- Dynamic Typing
- Verbose Patterns -> IIFE

```
<script>
(function() {
    var name = "World";
    console.log('Hi ' + name);
})();
</script>
```



TypeScript Backstory

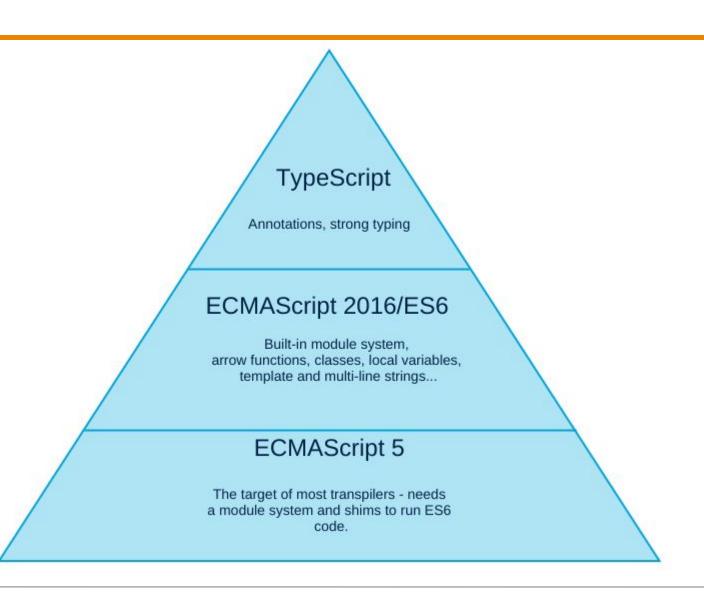
- Developed by Microsoft
- Open Source github.com/Microsoft/TypeScript
- Release: October 1 2012
- Latest stable release: 1.8 January 2016
- Conforms to ECMA standards & proposals





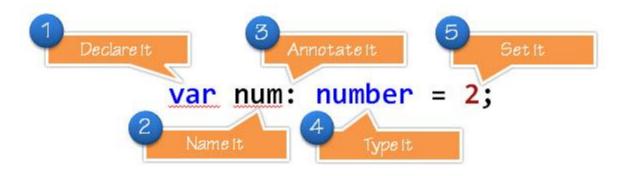
What is TypeScript?

- Superset of JavaScript
- Optionally typed
- Prevents common bugs and errors
- Readable code
- Transpiles to ES5/ES6
- OO design
- Module system
- Scalable for larger applications
- Long term





Types





Declare It!

- Let
- Var
- Const



Old days





Var (Function Scope)

Global	Inside of a function	Inside a function within a function
var a = 10;	<pre>function f() { var message = "Hello world!"; return message; }</pre>	<pre>function f() { var a = 10; return function g() { var b = a + 1; return b; } }</pre>



Scoping rules (var)

```
Variable recognition
                                          Double trouble
function f(shouldInitialize: boolean) {
                                          function sumMatrix(m:number[][]){
    if (shouldInitialize) {
                                          var sum = 0;
        var x = 10;
                                          for (var i = 0; i <m.length; i++)
    return x;
                                          var cRow = matrix[i];
                                          for (var i = 0; i < cRow.length;
f(true); // returns '10'
                                          i++) {
f(false); // returns 'undefined'
                                            sum += currentRow[i];
                                          } }
                                            return sum;
```



Let (Block Scope)

- New way & Best practice
- Avoid common bugs like with var
- The declared variable only exists in the block scope (if, for, etc)



Scoping rules (let)

```
Variable recognition
                                    Double trouble
                                                                         Order of declaration
function f(input: boolean) {
                                    Not possible:
                                                                         a++
    let a = 100;
                                    let x = 10;
                                                                         let a;
    if (input) {
                                    let x = 20;
                                                                          // illegal to use 'a' before
// Still okay to reference 'a'
                                    // error: can't re-declare 'x'
                                                                         it's declared;
        let b = a + 1;
                                    in the same scope
        return b;
                                    Possible:
                                    function f(condition, x) {
    // Error: 'b' doesn't exist
                                        if (condition) {
here
                                             let x = 100;
    return b;
                                             return x;}
                                        return x; }
                                    f(false, 0); // returns '0'
                                    f(true, 0); // returns '100'
```



Const

- New way
- Same scoping rules as let
- You can't reassign the variables



Type It!

```
number
   - let decimal: number = 5;
string
   - let color: string = "red" or 'red';
boolean
   - let isFinished: boolean = false;
array
   - let list: number[] = [1,2,3]; or let list: Array<number> = [1,2,3];
 tuple (fixed length)
   - let x: [string, number] = [ "hello" , 5 ];
any
   - let decimal: any = "notSureVariable";
void
   - having no type => used for methods that have no return value
```



Destructuring

```
Object destructuring
                                                                                Function declarations
Array destructuring
example 1
                                        let o = {
                                                                                type C = {a: string, b: number}
                                                                                function f({a, b}: C): void {
let input = [1, 2];
                                            a: "foo",
let [first, second] = input;
                                           b: 12,
                                                                                    // . . .
console.log(first); // outputs 1
                                            c: "bar"
console.log(second); // outputs 2
                                                                                Default values
                                        let \{a, b\} = 0;
                                                                                function keepWObject(wholeObject:
example 2
                                        Property renaming
                                                                                {a: string, b?: number}) {
let [first, ...rest] = [1, 2, 3,
                                        let {a: newName1, b: newName2} = o;
                                                                                    let \{a, b = 1001\} =
4];
                                                                                wholeObject;
console.log(first); // outputs 1
                                        With types
console.log(rest); // outputs [ 2,
                                        let {a, b}: {a: string, b: number}
3, 4 ]
                                        = 0;
```



Types @ Compile

JavaScript	TypeScript
<pre>var a = 123 a.trim()</pre>	<pre>var a: string = 123 a.trim()</pre>
TypeError: undefined is not a function	Cannot convert 'number' to 'string'



Module System

- Namespaces (internal modules)
- Optional hierarchical
- Export
- Import





Namespaces

- Previously "Internal modules"
- No name collisions
- No global variables
- Multi-file namespaces
- Optional Hierarchy (Submodules)

```
namespace Validation {
    export interface StringValidator {
        isAcceptable(s: string): boolean;
    }
    const lettersRegexp = /^[A-Za-z]+$/;
    const numberRegexp = /^[0-9]+$/;
}
namespace Validation.LettersOnlyValidation{}
```



Export & Import

- Viable options to export and import are with:
 - variables
 - functions
 - classes
 - interfaces
 - type aliases
- Wrap one or more modules to combine all exports
 - using export * from "module"
- Wrap all exports to a single variable using import

export interface StringValidator {}
export class Validator{}
export const regex= /^[0-9]+\$/;

import { ZipCodeValidator } from "./ZipCodeValidator"; import * as validator from "./ZipCodeValidator"; let myValidator = new validator.ZipCodeValidator();



Classes

- Inheritance
- Can implement interfaces
- Members/methods (instance & static)
- Single constructor
- ES6 class syntax
- Access modifiers



Inheritance

```
class Animal {
  name: string;
  constructor(theName: string) { this.name = theName; }
  move(distanceInMeters: number = 0):void {
     console.log(`${this.name} moved ${distanceInMeters}m.`);
class Snake extends Animal {
  constructor(name: string) { super(name); }
  move(distanceInMeters = 5) {
     console.log("Slithering...");
     super.move(distanceInMeters); }}
let sam = new Snake("Sammy the Python");
sam.move();
```



Access modifiers

- Public by default
- Private
- Protected
- Accessors

```
let passcode = "secret passcode";
class Employee {
  private _fullName: string;
  get fullName(): string { return this._fullName;}
  set fullName(newName: string) {
    if (passcode && passcode == "secret passcode") {
       this. fullName = newName;
    else {
       console.log("Error: Unauthorized update of employee!");
                                                                  }}}
                     let employee = new Employee();
                     employee.fullName = "Bob Smith";
                     if (employee.fullName) {
                       console.log(employee.fullName);
```



Abstract Classes

- Prefix abstract
- Super class
- May not be initiated
- May contain implementation
- Abstract methods => must be implemented in the derived class
- Optionally include access modifiers





Interfaces

- Enforcing that a class meets a particular contract
- intent of the class
- Extends (multiple) interfaces

```
interface ClockInterface {
    currentTime: Date;
    setTime(d: Date);}

class Clock implements ClockInterface {
    currentTime: Date;
    setTime(d: Date) {
        this.currentTime = d;    }
    constructor(h: number, m: number) { }}
```



Tsconfig.json

- Specifies the root files and compiler options required to compile the project
- http://json.schemastore.org/tsconfig



TypeScript + AngularJS

- For better migration to Angular 2
- AngularJS is the mature framework
- All advantages from TypeScript
- All advantages from AngularJS



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Practice

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