

# SPREAD AND REST

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## ECMAScript (ECMA6) FEATURE



# REST PARAMETERS

## NOT WITH INTERNET EXPLORER

Rest parameters - OTHER Usage % of all users Global 92.49%

Allows representation of an indefinite number of arguments as an array.

Current aligned Usage relative Date relative Apply filters Show all ?

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|      |        |         | 4-43               |         | 10-30              |              |              |                   |
|      |        | 2-14    | <sup>1</sup> 44-46 | 3.1-9.1 | <sup>1</sup> 31-33 | 3.2-9.3      |              |                   |
| 6-10 | 12-17  | 15-67   | 47-75              | 10-12   | 34-60              | 10-12.1      |              | 2.1-4.4.4         |
| 11   | 18     | 68      | 76                 | 12.1    | 62                 | 12.3         | all          | 67                |
|      | 76     | 69-70   | 77-79              | 13-TP   |                    | 13           |              |                   |

# SPREAD OPERATOR

## DON'T TRUST INTERNET EXPLORER

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Partial  
support

# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE

The ... could be used either way

It depends on how you use it.

# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE

It can be used as

- ✓ A Rest Parameter
- ✓ Spread Operator

# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE

## As Rest Parameter

It's use will collect all values into an array.

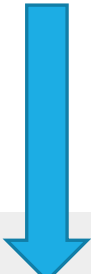
# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE

As a Spread Operator

Allows iterable things to be  
expanded into single elements



# MORE ABOUT THE REST OPERATOR



```
1 | function f(a, b, ...theArgs) {  
2 |     // ...  
3 | }
```

Represents infinite arguments

# MORE ABOUT THE REST OPERATOR

Has to be the last parameter

```
const move = function(x, y, ...z) {  
    // logic goes here...  
}
```

# MORE ABOUT THE REST OPERATOR

## Simple example

```
const toArray = function(...values) {  
    return values;  
}
```

# MORE ABOUT THE REST OPERATOR

No values passed in?

```
const toArray = function(...values) {  
    return values; // returns empty []  
}
```

# MORE ABOUT THE REST OPERATOR

This will cause an error

```
const move = function(...x, y, ...z) {  
  // logic goes here...  
}
```

# REST EXAMPLE

```
1 function sum(...theArgs) {  
2     return theArgs.reduce((previous, current) => {  
3         return previous + current;  
4     });  
5 }  
6  
7 console.log(sum(1, 2, 3));  
8 // expected output: 6  
9  
10 console.log(sum(1, 2, 3, 4));  
11 // expected output: 10  
12
```

# REST VS .ARGUMENTS

There are three main differences between rest parameters and the `arguments` object:

- rest parameters are only the ones that haven't been given a separate name (i.e. formally defined in function expression), while the `arguments` object contains all arguments passed to the function;
- the `arguments` object is not a real array, while rest parameters are `Array` instances, meaning methods like `sort`, `map`, `forEach` or `pop` can be applied on it directly;
- the `arguments` object has additional functionality specific to itself (like the `callee` property).

# SPREAD EXPLAINED

## Spread Operator

In a spread operation, you're trying to take either an array or an object **and spread it onto a new array or object**



# SPREAD EXPLAINED

Only useful for Iterable things

```
1 | var obj = {'key1': 'value1'};  
2 | var array = [...obj]; // TypeError: obj is not iterable
```

# SPREAD

## EXAMPLE

```
const words = ['hi', 'apple', 'dart'];  
const more_words = [...words, 'mom'];
```

# SPREAD

## USED MULTIPLE TIMES

```
1 let arr1 = [1, -2, 3, 4];  
2 let arr2 = [8, 3, -8, 1];  
3  
4 alert( Math.max(...arr1, ...arr2) ); // 8
```

# SPREAD

## WITH OBJECT LITERALS

```
1  var obj1 = { foo: 'bar', x: 42 };
2  var obj2 = { foo: 'baz', y: 13 };
3
4  var clonedObj = { ...obj1 };
5  // Object { foo: "bar", x: 42 }
6
7  var mergedObj = { ...obj1, ...obj2 };
8  // Object { foo: "baz", x: 42, y: 13 }
```

# SPREAD WITH DUPLICATES

When duplicate properties exist, the order determines the outcome. The property put in last wins.

```
const cat = {  
  sound: 'meow',  
  legs: 4  
};
```

```
const dog = {  
  ...cat,  
  ...{  
    sound: 'woof' // <----- Overwrites cat.sound  
  }  
};  
console.log(dog); // => { sound: 'woof', legs: 4 }
```

# SPREAD

## WITH NON-ENUMERABLE PROPERTIES

```
const person = {
  name: 'Dave',
  surname: 'Bowman'
};

Object.defineProperty(person, 'age', {
  enumerable: false, // Make the property non-enumerable
  value: 25
});

console.log(person['age']); // => 25

const clone = {
  ...person
};

console.log(clone); // => { name: 'Dave', surname: 'Bowman' }
```

# | SUMMARY

When ... is at the end of function parameter list is it **rest parameter**

When ... occurs in a function call , it's being used in a **spread operation**