



LECTURE 18 – THIS KEYWORD IN JAVASCRIPT

◆ GLOBAL OBJECT (ROOT OF JS)

👉 Global Object Kya Hota Hai?

JavaScript ka code chalne ke liye ek **execution environment** chahiye hota hai.
Is environment ka **sabse bada object** hota hai → **Global Object**.

⭐ Environment ke hisaab se naam:

- 🌐 **Browser** → `window`
- 🟢 **Node.js** → `global`
- 🌎 **Universal (ES2020+)** → `globalThis`

❓ `console.log()`, `Math.random()` kaha se aate hain?

🧠 Comparison:

- **C++** → `#include <iostream>`
- **JavaScript** → Sab kuch **by default Global Object** ke andar hota hai

```
console.log("Hello World");
```

```
console.log(Math.random());
```

👉 `console`, `Math`, `setTimeout`, `setInterval`
→ sab **Global Object ki properties** hain.

⚠️ Global Variables Rule

- `var` → **global object ka part** ban jata hai
- `let / const` → **global object ka part nahi bante**

Universal Access

```
window.Math.random() ; // Browser  
global.Math.random() ; // Node.js  
globalThis.Math.random() ; // Har jagah
```

Interview Tip

 *console.log kaise kaam karta hai?*

 `console` global object ka part hai, aur `log()` uska method.

◆ THIS KEYWORD (CONTEXT BASED)

 **this** ka matlab hota hai:

“Current execution context ka owner kaun hai?”

 **this** ki value **call hone ke tareeke pe depend karti hai**, na ki likhne pe.

◆ a) Global Context

```
console.log(this);
```

 Output:

- Browser → `window`
- Node.js → `{}`

```
console.log(globalThis);
```

 Universal solution.

◆ b) Inside a Function

◆ Normal Function

```
function greet() {  
    console.log(this);  
}  
  
greet();
```

Output:

- Browser → `window`
 - Node.js → `global`
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◆ Strict Mode

```
"use strict";  
  
function greetStrict() {  
    console.log(this);  
}  
  
greetStrict();
```

Output:

```
undefined
```

Reason:

Strict mode me JS **default binding allow nahi karta**

◆ c) Inside an Object Method

```
const obj = {  
    name: "Harshal",  
    sayName() {
```

```
    console.log(this.name);  
}  
};  
  
obj.sayName();
```

Output:

Harshal

👉 Rule:

this → jis object ne method call kiya

◆ d) Arrow Functions & this

🚫 Arrow Function ka apna this nahi hota

Arrow function **lexical this** use karta hai (parent se inherit).

```
const obj = {  
  name: "Harshal",  
  arrow: () => {  
    console.log(this);  
  }  
};  
  
obj.arrow();
```

Output:

- Browser → window
- Node.js → {} / global

 obj nahi aayega

Lexical Binding Example

```
const obj = {  
  name: "Rohit",  
  greet() {  
    const arrow = () => console.log(this.name);  
    arrow();  
  }  
};  
  
obj.greet();
```

 Output:

Rohit

 Reason:

- Arrow → parent (`greet`) ka `this` use karta hai
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e) this Inside Class / Constructor

```
class Person {  
  constructor(name) {  
    this.name = name;  
  }  
}  
  
const p1 = new Person("Saurav");  
console.log(p1.name);
```



Saurav

👉 Constructor me `this` → **naya object**

◆ f) **this** in `setTimeout`

```
setTimeout(function () {  
    console.log(this);  
}, 1000);
```



- Browser → `window`

```
setTimeout(() => {  
    console.log(this);  
}, 1000);
```



- Lexical parent ka `this`

◆ g) **this** in Event Listeners

```
btn.addEventListener("click", function () {  
    console.log(this);  
});
```



button element

```
btn.addEventListener("click", () => {  
    console.log(this);  
});
```

👉 Output:

```
lexical parent
```

📌 IMPORTANT TAKEAWAYS

- ✓ Arrow function ka **apna this nahi hota**
 - ✓ Regular function ka this → **call pe depend**
 - ✓ **var** → global object ka part
 - ✓ **let / const** → global object ka part nahi
 - ✓ Browser & Node.js me global object alag hota hai
 - ✓ Universal solution → **globalThis**
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🔄 SUMMARY – EK NAZAR ME

- 🌎 Global Object:
 - Browser → **window**
 - Node → **global**
 - Universal → **globalThis**
 - 💡 **this** behaviour:
 - Global → **window / global**
 - Function → **global** (strict me **undefined**)
 - Object method → calling object
 - Arrow → parent ka this
 - Class/constructor → new object
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INTERVIEW MASTER LINE

“this is not where the function is written, it's where the function is called.”