# **Revealing Prototype Pattern**





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### The Revealing Prototype Pattern

#### Pros:



- Combines Prototype and Revealing Module patterns
- "Modularize" code into re-useable objects
- Variables/functions taken out of global namespace
- Expose only public members
- Functions loaded into memory once
- Extensible

#### Cons:



- "this" keyword can be tricky
- Constructor separate from prototype definition



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#### **Revealing Prototype Structure Overview**

```
var Calculator = function (eq) {
    //variables defined here
};
Calculator.prototype = function() {
    //functions defined here
    return {
        //public members defined here as
        //with Revealing Module Pattern
    };
}();
```



#### **Revealing Prototype Structure**

```
var Calculator = function (eq) {
    this.eqCtl = document.getElementById(eq);
};
Calculator.prototype = function() {
    var add = function (x, y) {
        var val = x + y;
        this.eqCtl.innerHTML = val;
    };
    return { add : add };
}();
               var calc = new Calculator('eqCtl');
                calc.add(2,2);
```



#### **Prototype Structure Review**

```
var Calculator = function(eq) {
    this.eqCtl = document.getElementById(eq);
};
Calculator.prototype = {
    add: function (x, y) {
        var val = x + y;
        this.eqCtl.innerHTML = val;
```

var calc = new Calculator('eqCtl');
calc.add(2,2);



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## **Summary**

- Revealing Prototype pattern provides encapsulation of variables and functions
- Combines the best parts of the Prototype Pattern and the Revealing Module Pattern
- Provides a way to add visibility (public versus private) to members
- Provides extension capabilities



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