JAVASCRIPT FUNCTIONS

FUNCTION

Callable first class citizen (Can be passed and return as object)

No overloading

Definitions

- var add = new Function('a', 'b', 'return a + b');
- var add = function (a, b) { return a + b; };
- function add(a, b) { return a + b;}

Blessed with

- this
- arguments

JAVASCRIPT - LENGTH

Specifies the number of arguments expected by the function.

Syntax

functionName.length

E.g.,

- console.log((function () {}).length); // 0
- console.log((function (a) {}).length); // 1
- console.log((function (a, b) {}).length); // 2

INVOCATION PATTERN I

Function invocation (Direct Invocation)

- add(1, 2)
- isPalindrome('madam')

this bound to global object !!!

INVOCATION PATTERN II

Method Invocation

Method => a function stored as property of object this bound to method holder object

```
var obj = {
  value : 0, //zero
  increment : function (inc) {
     this.value += typeof inc === 'number' ? inc : 1;
  }
}
obj.increment(); // 1
obj.increment(2); // 3
```

INVOCATION PATTERN III

Constructor Invocation (OO style)

```
var Employee = function (name, title) {
   this.name = name;
   this.title = title;
};
Employee.protoype.getName = function () { return this.name;};
Employee.protoype.getTitle = function () { return this.title;};
var employee = new Employee('Tom', 'Software Engineer')
employee.getName(); // 'Tom'
employee.getTitle(); // 'Software Engineer'
```

INVOCATION PATTERN IV

Apply Invocation (Reflective Invocation)

```
var argsArray = [2, 3];
var sum = add.apply( null, argsArray);  // 5
var sum = add.call( null, 2, 3);  // 5

var firstName = Employee.getName.apply(empObject);
var firstName = Employee.getName.call(empObject);
```

JAVASCRIPT - CALL

Calls a function with a given this value and arguments provided individually.

Syntax

fun.call(thisArg[, arg1[, arg2[, ...]]])

JAVASCRIPT - CALL

```
function diplayInfo(year, month, day){
 return "Name:" + this.name + ";birthday:" + year +
   "." + month + "." + day;
var p = { name: "Jason" };
diplayInfo.call(p, 1985, 11, 5);
```

JAVASCRIPT - APPLY

Calls a function with a given this value and arguments provided as an array

Syntax

fun.apply(thisArg[, argsArray])

JAVASCRIPT - APPLY

```
function diplayInfo(year, month, day){
 return "Name:" + this.name + ";birthday:" + year +
 "." + month + "." + day;
var p = { name: "Jason" };
console.log(diplayInfo.apply(p, [1985, 11, 5]));
```

JAVASCRIPT - CALLEE

Specifies the currently executing function

callee is a property of the arguments object.

Syntax

• [function.]arguments.callee

JAVASCRIPT - CALLEE

```
function factorial(n){
 if (n \le 0)
   return 1;
 else
   return n * arguments.callee(n - 1);
factorial(4);
```

Creates a new function that, when called, has its this keyword set to the provided value, with a given sequence of arguments preceding any provided when the new function is called.

Syntax

fun.bind(thisArg[, arg1[, arg2[, ...]]])

```
var x = 9;
var module = {
 x: 81,
 getX: function() { return this.x; }
};
module.getX(); //Answer: ?
var getX = module.getX;
getX(); //Answer: ?
var boundGetX = getX.bind(module);
boundGetX(); //Answer: ?
module.x = 100;
boundGetX(); //Answer: ?
```

```
var checkNumericRange = function (value) {
  return value >= this.min && value <= this.max;
var range = { min: 10, max: 20 };
var boundCheckNumericRange = checkNumericRange.bind
(range);
var result = boundCheckNumericRange (12);
Result = ??
```

```
var displayArgs = function (val1, val2, val3, val4) {
    console.log(val1 + " " + val2 + " " + val3 + " " + val4);
}
var emptyObject = {};

var displayArgs2 = displayArgs.bind(emptyObject, 12, "a");
displayArgs2("b", "c"); //Answer: ?
```

```
Function.prototype.bind = function (objToBind) {
    var self = this;
    return function () {
       var argArr = Array.prototype.slice.call(arguments);
       return self.apply(objToBind || null, argArr);
    };
}
```

FUNCTION AS A CLASS

```
var someClass = function (property) {
    this.publicProperty = property;
    var privateVariable = "value";
    this.publicMethod = function () {
        //code for method definition
    };
    var privateMethod = function () {
        //code for method definition
    };
    // return this;
```

FUNCTION AS A MODULE

```
var counterModule = ( function( ) {
   var privateCount = 0;
   function changeBy(val) {
       return privateCount += val;
   return {
       increment: changeBy.bind(null, 1),
       decrement: changeBy.bind(null, -1),
       currentValue : function() {return privateCount;}
   };
})();
```