

## CH3: Is JavaScript pass by reference?

\*REFER TO PHYSICAL NOTES FOR TABLES\*

-say we have:

```
let n1 = 31
let n2 = n1
n1 = 32
clg(n2) = ??
```

My initial thought would be that it would be 31. I think this because my intuition says it is pass by value;

ANS= 31

```
let f1 = {num: 3, den: 4}
let f2 = f1
f1 = {num:1, den: 2}
clg(f2)
```

My initial thought would be that console logs {num:1, den:2} because it is a reference to an object

ANS= is 3 / 4 BECAUSE when we evaluate an expression in JS, we do the right hand side first and then we assign it

to the left. What happens here is that we are taking the right hand side of {num:1, den:2} and creating a whole new object and then assigning it to f1. What happens under the hood is that since we are technically creating a new object, we need a brand new memory addy on the heap that has to get created and then takes that new addy and assigns it to f1. So nothing with the og 3/4 gets change, we just have a brand new object being created

```
let f1 = {num:3, den:4}
let f2 = f1
f1.num = 1
f1.den = 2
clg(f2)
```

I think it will print {1/2}

Ans= what I said ^. This happens because f1 and f2 under the hood point to the same address and so when we

update that object from f1, f2 will see those same changes since they are pointing to the same address

```
let f1 = {num: 3, den: 4}
let f2 = f1
f1.toDecimal(function(){
  return this.num / this.den
})
clg(f2.toDecimal)
will this work?
```

Initial thought no since this does not exist in our object

ANS= YES IT WILL work. Because it creates a new function that is stored on the heap and that function has

a pointer from the num object pointing to it as a reference so it would

work since f1 and f2 point to the same thing.

Objects are stored as MEMORY. This can be important when we are trying to copy another object and we change values around. Variable declaration without let/ const are mean it is global. OBV, global is bad (for the most part).

CH4: Lexical block scope: - variables are declared with let/ const - variables are defined under the most recent scope operator Higher order functions: - Functions that are considered either one that: - take a function as an input - returns as an output a function - both \* Closure: is preservation of access to variables that are otherwise out of scope. That an inner function or block of code has a dependency. It has a pointer to the variable address. Only the variables that are used in the inner functions are saved, anything that is unused will, be put out for garbage collection.