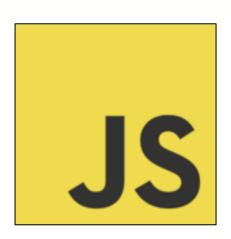


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Advanced JavaScript

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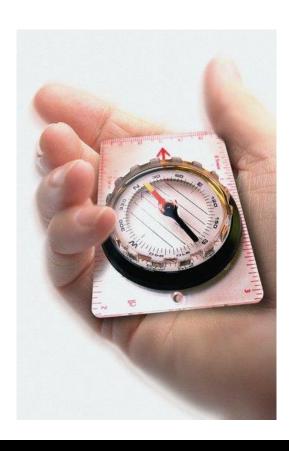
By completing this course, you will be able to:

- Explain prototype-based OOP
- Develop with JavaScript OOP
- Manipulate Property Descriptors
- Explain what is "strict mode" and use it
- Use the most famous JS pattern





Course topics



Course's plan:

- Reminders
- Object Oriented Programming
- Inheritance
- Property Descriptors
- Strict Mode
- Good Practices



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REMINDERS





JavaScript is a scripting language

- Mostly known for building browser-based applications
 - User Interactions
 - Animations
 - **—** ...





Reminders

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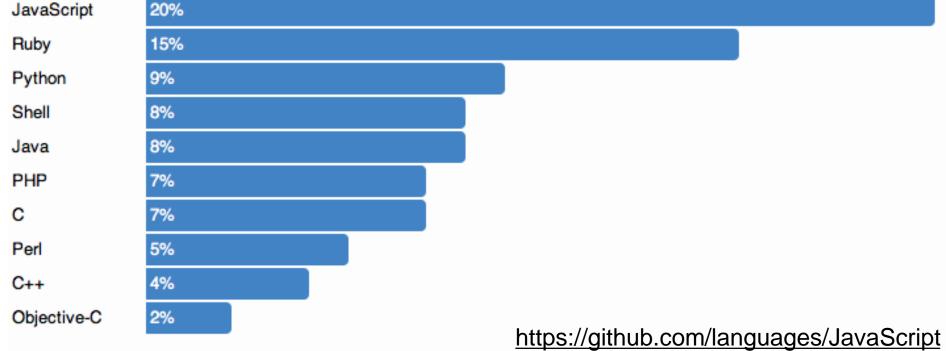




Reminders

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JavaScript Everywhere





Syntax & Types

JavaScript uses syntax influenced by that of C

- A weakly typed programming language
 - No need to specify the type
 - Support implicit type conversion





Syntax & Types

Example:

```
function computeAverage(values) {
       var i, sum = 0, length = values.length;
       for(i = 0; i < length; i += 1) {</pre>
              sum += values[i];
       return sum / length;
var marks = [12, 18, 14, 8];
console.log(computeAverage(marks)); // 13
```



Variable scope

- Local:
 - Reachable only in the function where it's defined
- Global:
 - Reachable in the whole document
- function = scope
 - And not block = scope like in Java or C#





Function Expressions

- JavaScript supports also function expressions
 - Functions with or without name (anonymous)
 - Can be used to contain functionality for short-term use

```
var values = [2, 6, 3];

var displaySquare = function(x) {
   console.log(x * x);
}

values.forEach(displaySquare);

values.forEach(displaySquare);

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```



Functional

JavaScript is a functional language!

- First-class functions:
 - Can be assigned to variables or stored in data structures
 - Can be passed as arguments to other functions
 - Can be returned as the values from other functions



Example:

```
var computeAverage = function(values) {
    var sum = values.reduce( function(total, current) {
        return total + current;
    }, 0);
    return sum / values.length;
}

var marks = [12, 18, 14, 8];
console.log(computeAverage(marks)); // 13
```



Fn expression VS Fn declaration

Function declarations are evaluated before any instructions in the same context

Function expressions are evaluated after all the instructions preceding it





Questions?









Go further with JavaScript...

OBJECT ORIENTED PROGRAMMING





 JavaScript is an Object Oriented Programming language that uses Prototypes

OOP style with prototype instead of classes





- Do you remember the analogy between a class and a plan?
 - A class is an object type plan
 - We use that plan to create new instances

- In prototype-based OOP, we don't use plan...
 - We create objects from scratch...
 - ... or based on other objects (prototype)





Objects in JavaScript are mutable keyed collections

 Numbers, strings, booleans, null and undefined are simple types

• Arrays, RegEx and even Functions are objects





- In JavaScript, an object is a set of properties
 - Can be methods or instance variables

A property has a name and a value







A property name can be any string

- A property value can be any JavaScript value
 - Strings, Numbers, Functions, ...
 - undefined by default

JavaScript provide several ways to declare objects...





Convenient notation for creating new objects

 A pair of curly braces surrounding zero or more name/value pairs:



 Quotes around property names are optional if the name is a legal JavaScript identifier

Property values can be other object literals





Example:

```
var trip = {
       departure: {
              city: "Paris",
              country: "France"
       arrival: {
              city: "Montreal",
              country: "Canada"
       price: 890
```

To access a property:

```
var firstName = barney.firstName;

var lastName = barney["lastName"];
```

• To call a method:

```
barney.saySmthg();
```





 To create new instances based on an existing one, you can clone it:

```
var anotherBarney = Object.create(barney);
anotherBarney.saySmthg = function() {
       console.log("... Legendary!");
};
barney.saySmthg();
anotherBarney.saySmthg();
                                                 barney.saySmthg();
                                                 anotherBarney.saySmthg();
                                                 It's gonna be...
                                                  ... Legendary!
```



Prototype link

- Every object is linked to a prototype from which it can inherit properties
 - Object literals are linked to Object.prototype
- Similar to inheritance...

```
Object.getPrototypeOf(barney) === Object.prototype; // true

// toString is a inherited method from Object.prototype
barney.toString === Object.prototype.toString; // true
```





Prototype link

- When an object is used with Object.create() to create a new instance
 - The original object become the prototype of the new one

```
Object.getPrototypeOf(anotherBarney) === barney; // true
```

 That's why the new object can access to the properties of the original!





Functions in JavaScript are objects

You can also use them to define objects

– An alternative to Object Literals!





• Example :

```
function Person(firstName, lastName) {
    this.firstName = firstName;
    this.lastName = lastName;
};
Person.prototype.sayHello = function() {
    console.log("Hey! My name is " + this.firstName + ".");
var eric = new Person("Eric", "Cartman");
var johnDoe = new Person("John", "Doe");
johnDoe.sayHello();
```



 Functions that are intended to be used with the new prefix are called constructors

 By convention, constructors name are kept with a capitalized name





- Function objects inherit from Function.prototype
 - Modifications to the Function.prototype object are propagated to all Function instances

```
Person.prototype.newFunction = function() {
      console.log("Hi there");
}

johnDoe.newFunction(); // "Hi there"
eric.newFunction(); // "Hi there"
```



Enumerable

- Sometimes, you need to iterate over properties from an object
- You can do that thanks to Object.keys(obj)

```
var myObj = {
    myProp: 1,
    myMethod: function() { console.log("Plop"); }
}

Object.keys(myObj).forEach( function(key) {
    console.log(key + ": " + myObj[key]);
});

myProp: 1
myMethod: function() { console.log("Plop"); }
```



Enumerable

- Object.keys(obj):
 - Returns an array of all <u>own enumerable</u> properties found upon a given object

- You can also use for-in loop
 - Difference being that it enumerates properties in the prototype chain as well





Enumerable

• *for-in* example:

```
var myObj = {
       myProp: 1,
       myMethod: function() { console.log("Plop"); }
var myOtherObj = Object.create(myObj);
myOtherObj.myOtherProp = 2;
var propKey;
for(propKey in myOtherObj) {
       console.log(propKey + ": " + myOtherObj[propKey]);
                                    myOtherProp: 2
                                    myProp: 1
                                    myMethod: function () { console.log("Plop"); }
```



Private members

But how to declare private members ?

 Private members are just members only accessible by the object itself

 So, an easy way to do that is to use variables limited to a restraint scope common with the other object members





Private members

Example with function objects:

```
function Foo() {
   var privateProperty = "private";
   function privateMethod() { ... };

   this.publicProperty = "public";
   this.publicMethod = function() { ... };
}
```



Introduction to closures

 This pattern of public or private members works because JavaScript has Closures

 An inner function always has access to the vars and parameters of its outer function, even after the outer function has returned

- Thanks to that, we can manipulate context bindings
 - We'll see that in the next chapter...





Introduction to closures

Example of private shared property :

```
var myProto = {};
(function Scope() {
      var privateSharedProp = "private shared";
      myProto.publicProperty = "public";
      myProto.getPrivateSharedProp = function() {
             return privateSharedProp;
}());
var obj = Object.create(myProto);
```



Questions?







Exercise (1/3)

The aim of the exercise will be to develop a simple web Tamagotchi

Go on http://courses.supinfo.com and download the Tamagocci - Base 1.zip archive

It contains a project with Jasmine tests





Exercise (2/3)

- A quick tour of the project :
 - lib folder: contains the Jasmine library
 - spec folder: contains the Jasmine tests
 - src folder: contains your JavaScript files

- SpecRunner.html file: executes the tests and display a detailed report
- Tamagocci.html file: a simple page using the library you will develop





Exercise (3/3)

- For this first exercise:
 - You will write the code needed in tamagocci.js file to pass the tests

 When all the tests will be green, try to open Tamagocci.html into your browser





Go further with JavaScript...

CONTEXT BINDING







Presentation

- JavaScript provide three methods to bind default function context to another
 - Very useful to apply a function to a different scope

We're going to see them in that chapter...





Apply

 apply(...) method allows to assign a different this object when calling an existing function

– this refers to the current object or the calling context/ scope

var marion = { name: "Marion Cotillard", eat: function(foodType) { console.log(this.name+ " eat some " +foodType); }, die: function() { console.log(this.name + " says: bweeeeeuh..."); **}**; var kevin = { name: "Kevin Doe" }; marion.eat.apply(kevin, ["beef"]); marion.die.apply(kevin); marion.eat.apply(kevin, ["beef"]); marion.die.apply(kevin); Kevin Doe eat some beef Kevin Doe says: bweeeeeuh...



Call

call(...) do the same thing than apply(...)

- The difference is on the arguments
 - apply(...) accepts a single array of arguments
 - call(...) accepts an argument list

```
myObject.myFunction.apply(myOtherObject, [param1, param2]);
myObject.myFunction.call(myOtherObject, param1, param2);
```





Bind

- bind(...) method creates a new function corresponding to the original...
 - ... but with a different this!

```
anotherObject .getX();
                                               42
var point = {
       x: 81, y: 18,
       getX: function() { return this.x; },
       getY: function() { return this.y; },
var anotherObject = { x: 42, ... };
anotherObject.getX = point.getX.bind(anotherObject);
anotherObject.getX(); // 42
```



Bind

 We can imagine that a simple version of the bind() method would be like this:

```
Function.prototype.bind = function bind(scope) {
    var self = this;
    return function() {
        return self.apply(scope, arguments);
    }
}
```

But why define a self variable ?





this

- As we said earlier, this represents the current context
- But in the returned method, the context is the bind function and not the prototype

```
Function.prototype.bind = function bind(scope) {
    var self = this; // this is the prototype context
    return function() {
        // Here, this != self because this is the bind
        // function context and not the prototype one.
        return self.apply(scope, arguments);
}
```



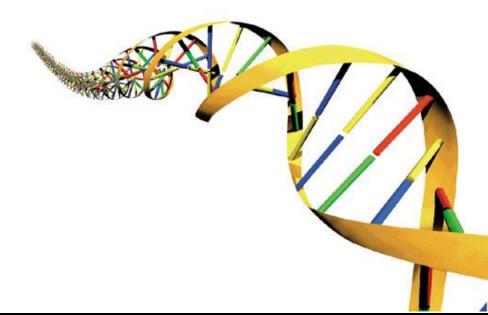
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INHERITANCE







Presentation

- In Java or C#, inheritance is useful to:
 - Code reuse
 - Avoid the need for the programmer to write explicit casting operations (class hierarchy)

- JavaScript is a loosely typed language
 - No cast problem
- What matters about an object is what it can do!





Inheritance & Prototypes

JavaScript is a prototypal language

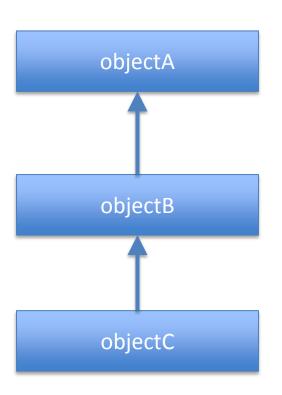
Objects inherit directly from other objects called prototypes

- An object can have and be a prototype at the same time
 - Like a class can be a sub-class and a parent-class





Prototype Chain



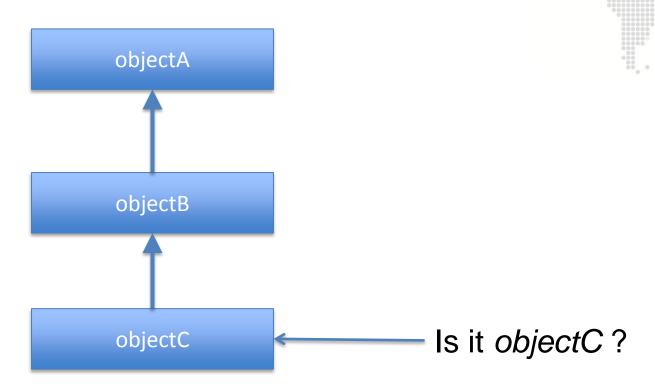
```
var objectA = { prop: 42 };
var objectB =
      Object.create(objectA);
objectB.anotherProp = 24;
var objectC =
      Object.create(objectB);
console.log(objectC.prop);
```

Who has prop?





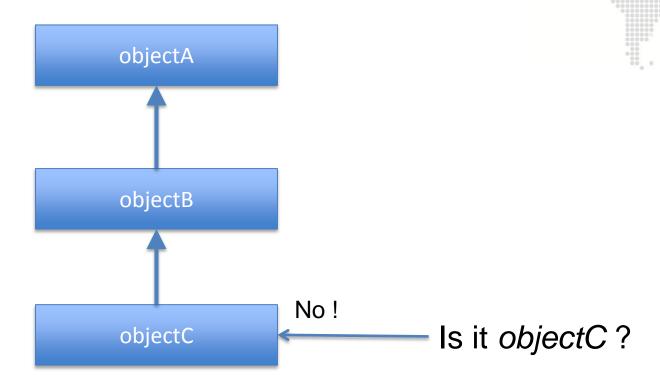
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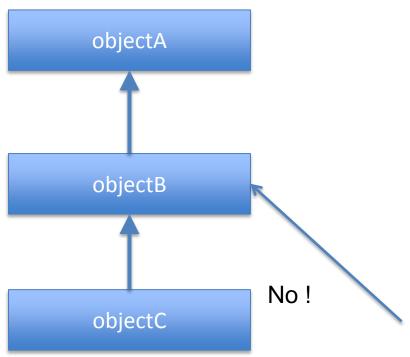


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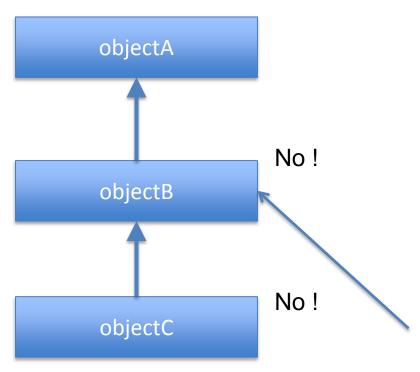
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Is it the prototype of objectC?



Prototype Chain

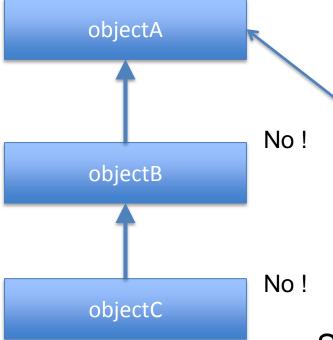


Is it the prototype of *objectC*?





Prototype Chain

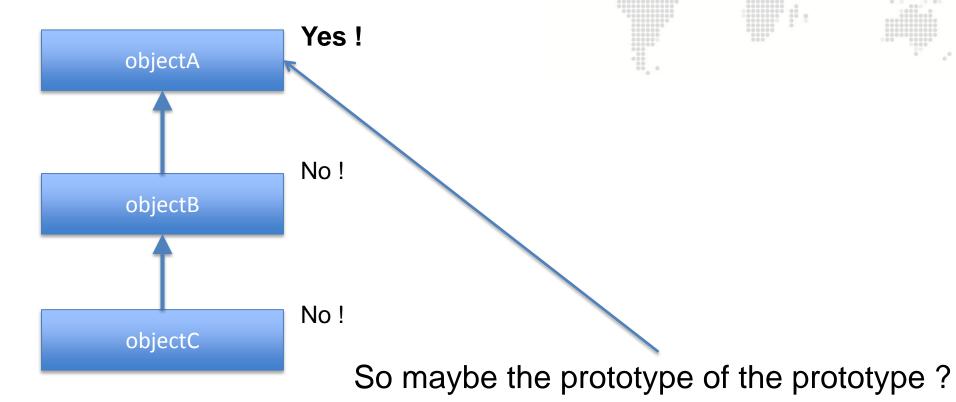


So maybe the prototype of the prototype?





Prototype Chain







Inheritance with Object literals

Example:

```
var phone = {
        dial: function(number) { ... }
}

var cellular = Object.create(phone);
cellular.sendSms = function(text) { ... };

var smartPhone = Object.create(cellular);
smartPhone.browseWebsite = function(url) { ... };
```



Example:

```
function Person(firstName, lastName) {
       this.firstName = firstName;
       this.lastName = lastName;
};
Person.prototype.eat = function() {
      console.log("He/She is eating");
};
Person.prototype.sleep = function() {
      console.log("He/She is sleeping");
```



Example:

```
function Employee(firstName, lastName, employeeId) {
      Person.apply(this, [firstName, lastName]);
      this.employeeId = employeeId;
Employee.prototype = Object.create(Person.prototype);
Employee.prototype.work = function() {
      console.log("He/She is working");
```



• Example:

```
function Manager(firstName, lastName, employeeId) {
    Employee.apply(this, [firstName, lastName, employeeId]);
}
Manager.prototype = Object.create(Employee.prototype);
Manager.prototype.work = function() {
        console.log("He/She is managing");
};
```



• Example:

```
var barney = new Manager("Barney", "Stinson", 1234);
barney.work();
Person.prototype.sleep = function() {
       console.log("He/She is sleeping");
};
barney.sleep();
                                                   Elements
                                              He/She is managing
                                              He/She is sleeping
```



Questions?







Exercise

Go on http://courses.supinfo.com and download the Tamagocci - Base 2.zip archive

Replace the *Tamagocci.js* by your own code

Update it to make it pass the new tests



Go further with JavaScript...

PROPERTY DESCRIPTORS





Presentation

 Each object property is linked to an object called **Property Descriptor**

- Two types of Property Descriptors:
 - Data descriptors
 - Accessor descriptors

We're going to see both of them!





 A Data Descriptor is a property that has a value, which may or may not be writable

 A Data Descriptor is defined by an object with the fields described in the next slide...



Field	Explanation	Default value
value	The value associated with the property.	undefined
writable	True if and only if the value associated with the property may be changed.	false
configurable	True if and only if the type of this property descriptor may be changed and if the property may be deleted from the corresponding object.	false
enumerable	True if and only if this property shows up during enumeration of the properties on the corresponding object.	false



Example:

```
var obj = {};
Object.defineProperty(obj, "myProp", {
      value: 42,
      writable: true,
      enumerable: true,
      configurable: true
});
obj.myProp = 51;
console.log(obj.myProp); // 51
console.log(Object.keys(obj)); // ["myProp"]
console.log(delete obj.myProp); // true
```





Example:

```
var obj = {};
Object.defineProperty(obj, "myProp", {
      value: 42,
      writable: false,
      enumerable: false,
      configurable: false
});
obj.myProp = 51; // Didn't work. No error thrown.
console.log(obj.myProp); // 42
console.log(Object.keys(obj)); // []
console.log(delete obj.myProp); // false
```





Accessor Descriptors

 An Accessor Descriptor is a property described by a getter-setter pair of functions

 An Accessor Descriptor is defined by an object with the fields described in the next slide...





Accessor Descriptors

Field	Explanation	Default value
get	A function which serves as a getter for the property, or undefined if there is no getter.	undefined
set	A function which serves as a setter for the property, or undefined if there is no setter.	undefined
configurable	True if and only if the type of this property descriptor may be changed and if the property may be deleted from the corresponding object.	false
enumerable	True if and only if this property shows up during enumeration of the properties on the corresponding object.	false





Accessor Descriptors

Example:

```
var obj = {}, ageValue;
Object.defineProperty(obj, "age", {
      get: function() { return ageValue; },
       set: function(newValue) {
              if (newValue >= 0) ageValue = newValue;
});
obj.age = 12;
console.log(obj.age); // 12
obj.age = -1;
console.log(obj.age); // 12
```



Several ways to create a property...

Be careful:

```
obj.prop = 1;
// is equivalent to:
Object.defineProperty(obj,
"prop", {
      value: 1,
      writable : true,
       configurable : true,
      enumerable : true
});
```

```
Object.defineProperty(obj,
"prop", { value : 1 });
// is equivalent to:
Object.defineProperty(obj,
"prop", {
      value: 1,
      writable : false,
       configurable : false,
      enumerable : false
});
```



Retrieve a Property Descriptor

- To retrieve a property descriptor for an own property:
 - You can use Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(...)

```
var obj = {};
Object.defineProperty(obj, "myProp", { value : 1 });

var desc = Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(obj, "myProp");
```



Define several descriptors

Another useful method is :
 Object.defineProperties(...)

Allows you to define or modify several properties at once

Very useful to define an object structure





Define several descriptors

• Example :

```
var jack = Object.defineProperties({}, {
    firstName: { value: "Jack" },
    lastName: { value: "Harkness" },
    age: { value: 45, writable: true }
});
```





Define several descriptors

• Example :

```
var Person = function(firstName, lastName, age) {
    Object.defineProperties(this, {
        firstName: { value: firstName },
        lastName: { value: lastName },
        age: { value: age },
    });
};
var jack = new Person("Jack", "Harkness", 45);
```



You can seal an object to:

prevent new properties from being added to it

- mark all existing properties as non-configurable





Example:

```
var obj = { foo: "bar" };
Object.seal(obj);

console.log(Object.isSealed(obj)); // true
obj.foo = "foo"; // still works
obj.bar = "bar"; // silently doesn't add the property
Object.defineProperty(obj, "foo", {
        get: function() { return "g"; }
}); // throws a TypeError
```



You can freeze an object to prevent:

new properties from being added to it

existing properties from being removed

existing properties, or their enumerability,
 configurability, or writability, from being changed





Example:

```
var obj = { foo: "bar" };
Object.freeze(obj);

console.log(Object.isFrozen(obj)); // true
obj.foo = "foo"; // silently does nothing
obj.bar = "bar"; // silently doesn't add the property
```



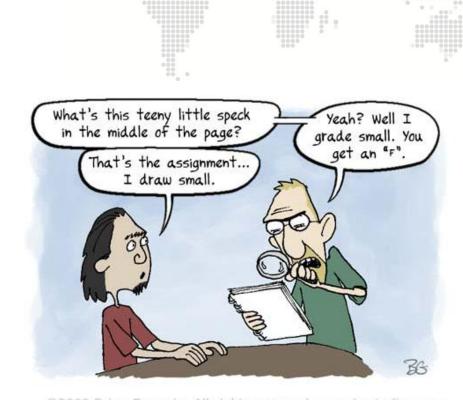
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STRICT MODE



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Presentation

• ECMAScript 5 introduce *Strict mode*

 A way to opt in to a restricted variant of JavaScript







What is the difference?

- Several changes to normal semantics:
 - Eliminates some language pitfalls that didn't cause errors by changing them to produce errors

 Fixes mistakes that make it difficult for JS engines to perform optimizations

Prohibits some syntax likely to be defined in future versions of ECMAScript





Scope

Strict mode applies to entire scripts or to individual functions

- It doesn't apply to block statements
 - if, for, while...





Put the strict mode on

To invoke strict mode for an entire script

Put "use strict" before any other statements

```
"use strict";
var name = prompt("What is your name ?");
console.log("Hi " + name + "! I'm in strict mode baby.");
```



Put the strict mode on

- To invoke strict mode for functions :
 - Put "use strict" in the function body before any other statements

```
function strictFunction() {
    "use strict";
    var name = prompt("What is your name ?");
    console.log("Hi " + name + "! It's strict mode baby.");
}
function notStrictFunction() {
    var name = prompt("What is your name ?");
    console.log("Hi " + name + "!");
}
```



Converting mistakes into errors

Strict mode makes it impossible to accidentally create global variables:

```
"use strict";
unknownVariable = 42; // throws a ReferenceError
```

 Strict mode makes assignments which would otherwise silently fail throw an exception:

```
"use strict";
var obj1 = {};
Object.defineProperty(obj1, "x", { value: 42 }); // read only
obj1.x = 9; // throws a TypeError
```





Paving the way for the future...

 In strict mode a short list of identifiers become reserved keywords:

```
function package(protected) { // !!!
  "use strict";
  var implements; // !!!
  interface: // !!!
  while (true)
  {
    break interface; // !!!
  }
  function private() { } // !!!
}
```



Paving the way for the future...

 Strict mode prohibits function statements not at the top level of a script or function:

```
"use strict";
if (true) {
  function myFunction() { return 1; } // !!! syntax error
 myFunction();
for (var i = 0; i < 5; i += 1) {
  function myFunction() { return 2; } // !!! syntax error
 myFunction();
```



Questions?





And you? I Speak JavaScript

Go further with JavaScript...

GOOD PRACTICES





- The language makes it easy to define...
- ... but excessive uses weaken the resiliency of programs

- A good practice to minimize the use of global variables
 - Create a single global variable for your app!





Example:

```
var MY_SUPER_APP = {};

MY_SUPER_APP.myVar = 12;
MY_SUPER_APP.myFunction = function() { ... };
MY_SUPER_APP.myObject = { ... };
```

Only MY_SUPER_APP is global





 Another way is to declare all your code inside a function you invoke immediately:

```
(function() {
    var myVar = 12;
    var myObject = { ... };

    function createArticle() {
        ...
    }
})();
```



- Why global variables are dangerous?
 - Because it can cause variable names collisions!
 - Bad interactions with other apps, widgets or libraries

- Java propose packages
- C# propose namespaces
- In JavaScript, you can easily use composition!





There is another way to avoid that problem:

– Make your code modular !

We'll see more about that in the next chapter...





Give a name to Fn expressions

 In most of previous examples, they're without name...

• ... but name them bring some advantages :

- Auto-documentation: we know what they do
- Easier to debug: more readable stacktraces





Questions?





Go further with JavaScript...

MODULAR JAVASCRIPT





Modularity

 A modular application is composed of a set of highly decoupled, distinct pieces of functionality stored in modules

- Do you remember of loose coupling?
 - Limit the dependencies to keep an easier maintainability





Modularity

- JavaScript applications are more and more consequent
 - Need to be more organized

- For now, ECMAScript doesn't provide a standard specification for that
 - But planned for ECMAScript 6...





Modularity

- Several non standardized formats for writing modular JavaScript exists
 - CommonJS
 - AMD
 - **—** ...

We're going to focus on CommonJS





CommonJS

- Project with the goal of specifying an ecosystem for JavaScript outside the browser
 - Started in 2009 and initially named ServerJS

 CommonJS module proposal specifies a simple API for declaring modules server-side







CommonJS

 CJS modules are reusable piece of JavaScript which exports specific objects...

... made available to any dependent code!

 We're going to see how to define and access to a module in the next slides...





CommonJS - Define a module

CommonJS introduce a variable named exports

 It contains the objects a module wishes to make available to other modules





CommonJS - Define a module

Example (my_module.js) :

```
var Foo = function() {
       this.property = 42;
function bar() {
       console.log("bar!");
exports.FooObject=Foo;
exports.bar=bar;
```



CommonJS - Access to a module

 To access a module, CommonJS introduce a require(...) function

 It takes in argument the path to the module file and return an object containing all its exported objects





CommonJS - Access to a module

• Example (app.js) :

```
// Import the CommonJS module.
// The argument is the module file path without extension
var myModule = require("my_module");

var myFoo = new myModule.FooObject();
myModule.bar(); // bar!
```





CommonJS - Advantages

This system provide a good code isolation

- More abstraction!
 - Only explicit objects of the module are exposed (or exported)
- Good protection against name collisions!
 - require() return an object representing the module and containing its exposed APIs





Who implement the spec?

- The CommonJS specification is implemented by a lot of products like :
 - JSBuild
 - RequireJS
 - curl.js
 - node.js











Why to see CommonJS?

- CommonJS VS AMD ?
 - AMD is a very good solution with browser-friendly features

CommonJS is perfect in a server environment and used by NodeJS ad Wakanda

 We need to see CommonJS to understand next chapters about Server-side JavaScript...





Questions?







Exercise

Go on http://courses.supinfo.com and download the Tamagocci - Base 3.zip archive

Replace the *Tamagocci.js* by your own code

Update it to make it pass the new tests





Exercise (optional)

Download require.js on http://requirejs.org/

 Refactor your Tamagocci.js to transform it into CommonJS module

Use your new module thanks to Require.js!



That's all Folks!

