

[9] Expressions and Operators

An expression is any valid unit of code that produces a value. It can be as simple as a single constant value or as complex as a combination of variables, operators, and function calls.

Arithmetic Expressions

These involve arithmetic operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. For example:

```
const result = 5 + 3 * (2 / 4); // This is an arithmetic expression
```

String Concatenation

Combining strings is an example of an expression:

```
const greeting = "Hello, " + "world!"; // This is a string concatenation expression
```

Logical Expressions

These involve logical operations such as AND (`&&`), OR (`||`), and NOT (`!`). For example:

```
const.isTrue = true
const.isFalse = false
const.result = isTrue && !isFalse; // This is a logical expression
```

Comparison Expressions

These involve comparing values using comparison operators like equal (`==`), not equal (`!=`), greater than (`>`), less than (`<`), etc. For example:

```
const.x = 5;
const.y = 10;
const isEqual = x === y; // This is a comparison expression
```

Function Calls

```
function add(a, b) {  
    return a + b;  
}  
const sum = add(3, 4); // This is a function call expression
```

Array and Object Access

Accessing elements in an array or properties of an object is an expression:

```
const numbers = [1, 2, 3];  
const firstNumber = numbers[0]; // This is an array access expression  
const person = { name: "John", age: 30 };  
const personName = person.name; // This is an object property access expression
```

Operators:

Operators are symbols or keywords used to perform operations on operands. Operands are values or expressions that an operator acts upon. JavaScript provides a wide range of operators, including:

1. Arithmetic Operators: Used for mathematical calculations, like `+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `%` (remainder).
2. Assignment Operators: Used to assign values to variables, such as `=`, `+=`, `-=`, `*=`, `/=`, `%=`.
3. Comparison Operators: Used to compare values, like `==`, `!=`, `====`, `!==`, `>`, `<`, `>=`, `<=`.
4. Logical Operators: Used for logical operations, such as `&&` (AND), `||` (OR), `!` (NOT).
5. Conditional (Ternary) Operator: Allows you to assign a value based on a condition, like `condition ? valueIfTrue : valueIfFalse`.
6. Bitwise Operators: Used for bit-level operations on integers, such as `&`, `|`, `^`, `~`, `<<`, `>>`, `>>>`.
7. Unary Operators: Operate on a single operand, like `++` (increment), `--` (decrement), `-` (negation), `+` (unary plus).
8. Type Operators: Used to check the type of a value, such as `typeof`, `instanceof`.
9. String Operators: Used for string concatenation, like `+`.
10. Other Operators: JavaScript also includes other operators for various purposes, such as the comma operator `(,)`, the `in` operator for checking if an object has a specific property, and the `delete` operator for removing object properties.