

Module 3 Labs

JS Advanced

1. `makeCounter` below is a decorator function which creates and returns a function that increments a counter.
 - a) Create a second counter `counter2` using the `makeCounter` function and test to see if it remains independent to `counter1`
 - b) Modify `makeCounter` so that it takes an argument `startFrom` specifying where the counter starts from (instead of always starting from 0)
 - c) Modify `makeCounter` to take another argument `incrementBy`, which specifies how much each call to `counter()` should increase the counter value by.

```
function makeCounter() {  
  let currentCount = 0;  
  
  return function() {  
    currentCount++;  
    console.log(currentCount)  
    return currentCount;  
  };  
}  
  
let counter1 = makeCounter();  
  
counter1(); // 1  
counter1(); // 2
```

2. The following `delayMsg` function is intended to be used to delay printing a message until some time has passed.
 - a) What order will the four tests below print in? Why?
 - b) Rewrite `delayMsg` as an arrow function
 - c) Add a fifth test which uses a large delay time (greater than 10 seconds)
 - d) Use `clearTimeout` to prevent the fifth test from printing at all.

```
function delayMsg(msg)  
{  
  console.log(`This message will be printed after a delay: ${msg}`)  
}  
  
setTimeout(delayMsg, 100, '#1: Delayed by 100ms');  
setTimeout(delayMsg, 20, '#2: Delayed by 20ms');  
setTimeout(delayMsg, 0, '#3: Delayed by 0ms');  
delayMsg('#4: Not delayed at all')
```

3. 'Debounce' is a concept that refers to 'putting off' the execution of multiple, fast-timed, similar requests until there's a brief pause, then only executing the most recent of those requests. See <https://www.techtarget.com/whatis/definition/debouncing>
It's often used to handle fast-firing scrolling events in a browser, or to prevent multiple server requests being initiated if a user clicks repeatedly on a button.

Using the following code to test and start with:

- Create a `debounce(func)` decorator, which is a wrapper that takes a function `func` and suspends calls to `func` until there's 1000 milliseconds of inactivity. After this 1 second pause, the most recent call to `func` should be executed and any others ignored.
- Extend the `debounce` decorator function to take a second argument `ms`, which defines the length of the period of inactivity instead of hardcoding to 1000ms
- Extend `debounce` to allow the original debounced function `printMe` to take an argument `msg` which is included in the `console.log` statement.

```
function printMe() {  
    console.log('printing debounced message')  
}  
  
printMe = debounce(printMe); //create this debounce function for a)  
  
//fire off 3 calls to printMe within 300ms - only the LAST one should print, after  
1000ms of no calls  
setTimeout( printMe, 100);  
setTimeout( printMe, 200);  
setTimeout( printMe, 300);
```

4. The Fibonacci sequence of numbers is a famous pattern where the next number in the sequence is the sum of the previous 2.
e.g. 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, etc.
- Write a function `printFibonacci()` using `setInterval` that outputs a number in the Fibonacci sequence every second.
 - Write a new version `printFibonacciTimeouts()` that uses nested `setTimeout` calls to do the same thing
 - Extend one of the above functions to accept a `limit` argument, which tells it how many numbers to print before stopping.
5. The following car object has several properties and a method which uses them to print a description. When calling the function normally this works as expected, but using it from within `setTimeout` fails. Why?

```
let car = {  
    make: "Porsche",  
    model: '911',  
    year: 1964,  
  
    description() {
```

```

        console.log(`This car is a ${this.make} ${this.model} from ${this.year}`);
    }
};

car.description(); //works

setTimeout(car.description, 200); //fails

```

- a) Fix the `setTimeout` call by wrapping the call to `car.description()` inside a function
 - b) Change the `year` for the car by creating a clone of the original and overriding it
 - c) Does the delayed `description()` call use the original values or the new values from b)? Why?
 - d) Use `bind` to fix the `description` method so that it can be called from within `setTimeout` without a wrapper function
 - e) Change another property of the car by creating a clone and overriding it, and test that `setTimeout` still uses the bound value from d)
6. Use the `Function` prototype to add a new `delay(ms)` function to all functions, which can be used to delay the call to that function by `ms` milliseconds.

```

function multiply(a, b) {
    console.log( a * b );
}

multiply.delay(500)(5, 5); // prints 25 after 500 milliseconds

```

- a) Use the example `multiply` function below to test it with, as above, and assume that all delayed functions will take two parameters
 - b) Use `apply` to improve your solution so that delayed functions can take any number of parameters
 - c) Modify `multiply` to take 4 parameters and multiply all of them, and test that your `delay` prototype function still works.
7. In JavaScript, the `toString` method is used to convert an object to a string representation. By default, when an object is converted to a String, it returns a string that looks something like `[object Object]`. However, we can define our own `toString` methods for custom objects to provide a more meaningful string representation.
- a) Define a custom `toString` method for the `Person` object that will format and print their details
 - b) Test your method by creating 2 different people using the below constructor function and printing them
 - c) Create a new constructor function `Student` that uses `call` to inherit from `Person` and add an extra property `cohort`

- d) Add a custom `toString` for `Student` objects that formats and prints their details. Test with 2 students.

```
function Person(name, age, gender) {
  this.name = name;
  this.age = age;
  this.gender = gender;
}

const person1 = new Person('James Brown', 73, 'male')
console.log('person1: '+person1) //prints person1: [object Object]
```

8. The following `DigitalClock` class uses an interval to print the time every second once started, until stopped.

```
class DigitalClock {

  constructor(prefix) {
    this.prefix = prefix;
  }

  display() {
    let date = new Date();
    //create 3 variables in one go using array destructuring
    let [hours, mins, secs] = [date.getHours(), date.getMinutes(),
date.getSeconds()];

    if (hours < 10) hours = '0' + hours;
    if (mins < 10) mins = '0' + mins;
    if (secs < 10) secs = '0' + secs;

    console.log(`${this.prefix} ${hours}:${mins}:${secs}`);
  }

  stop() {
    clearInterval(this.timer);
  }

  start() {
    this.display();
    this.timer = setInterval(() => this.display(), 1000);
  }
}

const myClock = new DigitalClock('my clock:')
myClock.start()
```

- a) Create a new class `PrecisionClock` that inherits from `DigitalClock` and adds the parameter `precision` – the number of ms between 'ticks'. This `precision` parameter should default to 1 second if not supplied.

- b) Create a new class `AlarmClock` that inherits from `DigitalClock` and adds the parameter `wakeupTime` in the format `hh:mm`. When the clock reaches this time, it should print a 'Wake Up' message and stop ticking. This `wakeupTime` parameter should default to 07:00 if not supplied.

9. We can delay execution of a function using `setTimeout`, where we need to provide the callback function to be executed after the delay.
- a) Create a promise-based alternative `randomDelay()` that delays execution for a random amount of time (between 1 and 20 seconds) and returns a promise we can use via `.then()`, as in the starter code below
 - b) If the random delay is even, consider this a successful delay and `resolve` the promise, and if the random number is odd, consider this a failure and `reject` it
 - c) Update the testing code to `catch` rejected promises and print a different message
 - d) Try to update the `then` and `catch` messages to include the random `delay` value

```
function randomDelay() {  
    // your code  
}  
randomDelay().then(() => console.log('There appears to have been a delay.'));
```

10. Fetch is a browser-based function to send a request and receive a response from a server, which uses promises to handle the asynchronous response.

The below `fetchURLData` uses `fetch` to check the response for a successful status code, and returns a `promise` containing the JSON sent by the remote server if successful or an error if it failed. (To run this code in a node.js environment, follow the instructions in the comments before the function.)

- a) Write a new version of this function using `async/await`
- b) Test both functions with valid and invalid URLs.

```
//run 'npm init' and accept all the defaults  
//run 'npm install node-fetch'  
//add this line to package.json after line 5: "type": "module",  
  
import fetch from 'node-fetch'  
globalThis.fetch = fetch  
  
function fetchURLData(url) {  
    let fetchPromise = fetch(url).then(response => {  
        if (response.status === 200) {  
            return response.json();  
        } else {  
            throw new Error(`Request failed with status ${response.status}`);  
        }  
    });  
  
    return fetchPromise;  
}
```

```
fetchURLData('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/todos/1')  
  .then(data => console.log(data))  
  .catch(error => console.error(error.message));
```