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// An alternative way to get an object is via pop-ing the
 // array to remove objects. Doing this removes the object
 // from the array, and returns the object. This is called
 // mutating the array, because it changes the underlying
 // data inside it.
 const poppedFirstOrder = allOrders.pop();
 // Now allOrders is empty. Mutating data can be useful for
 // many things, but one way to reduce the complexity in your
 // codebases is to avoid mutation. TypeScript offers a way
 // to declare an array readonly instead:
 // Creates a type based on the shape of a purchase order:
 type PurchaseOrder = typeof purchaseOrder;
 // Creates a readonly array of purchase orders
 const readonlyOrders: readonly PurchaseOrder[] = [purchaseOrder];
 // Yep! That's a bit more code for sure. There's four
 // new things here:
     type PurchaseOrder - Declares a new type to TypeScript.
     typeof - Use the type inference system to set the type
             based on the const which is passed in next.
 //
     purchaseOrder - Get the variable purchaseOrder and tell
 //
                    TypeScript this is the shape of all
                    objects in the orders array.
     readonly - This object does not support mutation, once
               it is created then the contents of the array
 //
               will always stay the same.
 // Now if you try to pop from the readonlyOrders, TypeScript
 // will raise an error.
 readonlyOrders.pop();
 // You can use readonly in all sorts of places, it's a
 // little bit of extra syntax here and there, but it
 // provides a lot of extra safety.
 // You can find out more about readonly:
https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/interfaces.html#readonly-
properties
 // -
https://basarat.gitbooks.io/typescript/content/docs/types/readonly.htm
 // And you can carry on learning about JavaScript and
 // TypeScript in the example on functions:
 // example:functions
 // Or if you want to know more about immutability:
 // example:immutability
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## 1 JavaScript Essentials

#### 1.1 Hello World

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// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play/?q=469&target=1
// Welcome to the TypeScript playground. This site is a lot
// like running a TypeScript project inside a web browser.
// The playground makes it easy for you to safely experiment
// with ideas in TypeScript by making it trivial to share
// these projects. The URL for this page is everything
// required to load the project for someone else.
const hello = "Hello";
// You can see on the right the result of the TypeScript
// compiler: this is vanilla JavaScript which can run on
// browsers, servers or anywhere really.
const world = "World";
// You can see how it makes tiny changes to the code, by
// converting a "const" to a "var". This is one of the many
// things TypeScript does to make it possible to run
// anywhere JavaScript runs.
console.log(hello + " " + world);
// Now that you have an idea of how the playground works,
// let's look at how TypeScript makes working with
// JavaScript more fun. During this section we'll be trying
// to keep as close to vanilla JavaScript as possible to
// show how you can re-use existing knowledge.
// Click below to continue:
// example:objects-and-arrays
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1.2 Objects and Arrays
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?strict=false&q=489#example/objects
// JavaScript objects are collections of values wrapped up with named
const userAccount = {
   name: "Kieron",
   id: 0,
 };
 // You can combine these to make larger, more complex data-models.
 const pie = {
   type: "Apple",
 };
 const purchaseOrder = {
   owner: userAccount,
   item: pie,
 };
 // If you use your mouse to hover over some of these words
 // (try purchaseOrder above) you can see how TypeScript is
 // interpreting your JavaScript into labeled types.
 // Values can be accessed via the ".", so to get a username for a
purchase order:
 console.log(purchaseOrder.item.type);
 // If you hover your mouse over each part of the code
 // between the ()s, you can see TypeScript offering more
 // information about each part. Try re-writing this below:
 // Copy this in the next line, character by character:
 // purchaseOrder.item.type
 // TypeScript provides feedback to the playground
 // about what JavaScript objects are available in this
 // file and lets you avoid typos and see additional
 // information without having to look it up in another place.
 // TypeScript also offers these same features to arrays.
 // Here's an array with just our purchase order above in it.
 const allOrders = [purchaseOrder];
 // If you hover on allOrders, you can tell it's an array
 // because the hover info ends with []. You can access the
 // first order by using square brackets with an index
 // (starting from zero).
 const firstOrder = allOrders[0];
 console.log(firstOrder.item.type);
```

#### 2 Functions with JavaScript

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2.1 Generic Functions
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=479#example/generic-functions
// Generics provide a way to use Types as variables in other
// types. Meta.
// We'll be trying to keep this example light, you can do
// a lot with generics and it's likely you will see some very
// complicated code using generics at some point - but that
// does not mean that generics are complicated.
// Let's start with an example where we wrap an input object
// in an array. We will only care about one variable in this
// case, the type which was passed in:
function wrapInArray<Type>(input: Type): Type[] {
   return [input];
 // Note: it's common to see Type referred to as T. This is
 // culturally similar to how people use i in a for loop to
 // represent index. T normally represents Type, so we'll
 // be using the full name for clarity.
 // Our function will use inference to always keep the type
 // passed in the same as the type passed out (though
 // it will be wrapped in an array).
 const stringArray = wrapInArray("hello generics");
 const numberArray = wrapInArray(123);
 // We can verify this works as expected by checking
 // if we can assign a string array to a function which
 // should be an object array:
 const notStringArray: string[] = wrapInArray({});
 // You can also skip the generic inference by adding the
 // type yourself also:
 const stringArray2 = wrapInArray<string>("");
 // wrapInArray allows any type to be used, however there
 // are cases when you need to only allow a subset of types.
 // In these cases you can say the type has to extend a
 // particular type.
 interface Drawable {
   draw: () => void;
 }
 // This function takes a set of objects which have a function
 // for drawing to the screen
 function renderToScreen<Type extends Drawable>(input: Type[]) {
   input.forEach((i) => i.draw());
 }
```

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1.3 Functions
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?noImplicitAny=false&q=17#example/f
// There are quite a few ways to declare a function in
// JavaScript. Let's look at a function which adds two
// numbers together:
// Creates a function in global scope called addOldSchool
function addOldSchool(x, y) {
   return x + y;
 // You can move the name of the function to a variable
 // name also
 const anonymousOldSchoolFunction = function (x, y) {
   return x + y;
 };
 // You can also use fat-arrow shorthand for a function
 const addFunction = (x, y) \Rightarrow \{
   return x + y;
 };
 // We're going to focus on the last one, but everything
 // applies to all three formats.
 // TypeScript provides additional syntax which adds to a
 // function definition and offers hints on what types
 // are expected by this function.
 // Up next is the most open version of the add function, it
 // says that add takes two inputs of any type: this could
 // be strings, numbers or objects which you've made.
 const add1 = (x: any, y: any) \Rightarrow {
   return x + v;
 };
 add1("Hello", 23);
 // This is legitimate JavaScript (strings can be added
 // like this for example) but isn't optimal for our function
 // which we know is for numbers, so we'll convert the x and
 // v to only be numbers.
 const add2 = (x: number, y: number) => {
   return x + y;
 };
 add2(16, 23);
 add2("Hello", 23);
 // Great. We get an error when anything other than a number
 // is passed in. If you hover over the word add2 above,
 // you'll see that TypeScript describes it as:
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const add2: (x: number, y: number) => number
// Where it has inferred that when the two inputs are
// numbers the only possible return type is a number.
// This is great, you don't have to write extra syntax.
// Let's look at what it takes to do that:
const add3 = (x: number, y: number): string => {
 return x + y;
};
// This function fails because we told TypeScript that it
// should expect a string to be returned but the function
// didn't live up to that promise.
const add4 = (x: number, y: number): number => {
  return x + y;
};
// This is a very explicit version of add2 - there are
// cases when you want to use the explicit return type
// syntax to give yourself a space to work within before
// you get started. A bit like how test-driven development
// recommends starting with a failing test, but in this case
// it's with a failing shape of a function instead.
// This example is only a primer, you can learn a lot more
// about how functions work in TypeScript in the handbook and
// inside the Functional JavaScript section of the examples:
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/functions.html
// example:function-chaining
// And to continue our tour of JavaScript essentials,
// we'll look at how code flow affects the TypeScript types:
// example:code-flow
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1.4 Code Flow
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?strictNullChecks=true&q=275#exampl
// How code flows inside our JavaScript files can affect
// the types throughout our programs.
const users = [{ name: "Ahmed" }, { name: "Gemma" }, { name: "Jon" }];
// We're going to look to see if we can find a user named "jon".
const jon = users.find((u) => u.name === "jon");
// In the above case, 'find' could fail. In that case we
// don't have an object. This creates the type:
    { name: string } | undefined
// If you hover your mouse over the three following uses of 'jon'
// you'll see how the types change depending on where the word is
located:
if (jon) { jon; } else { jon; }
// The type '{ name: string } | undefined' uses a TypeScript
// feature called union types. A union type is a way to
// declare that an object could be one of many things.
//
// The pipe acts as the separator between different types.
// JavaScript's dynamic nature means that lots of functions
// receive and return objects of unrelated types and we need
// to be able to express which ones we might be dealing with.
// We can use this in a few ways. Let's start by looking at
// an array where the values have different types.
const identifiers = ["Hello", "World", 24, 19];
// We can use the JavaScript 'typeof x === v' syntax to
// check for the type of the first element. You can hover on
// 'randomIdentifier' below to see how it changes between
// different locations
const randomIdentifier = identifiers[0];
if (typeof randomIdentifier === "number") {
 randomIdentifier;
} else {
 randomIdentifier;
// This control flow analysis means that we can write vanilla
// JavaScript and TypeScript will try to understand how the
// code types will change in different locations.
// To learn more about code flow analysis:
// - example:type-guards
// To continue reading through examples you could jump to a
// few different places now:
// - Modern JavaScript: example:immutability
// - Type Guards: example:type-guards
// - Functional Programming with JavaScript example:function-chaining
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interface BoolOrNumberOrStringFunction {
 /** Takes a bool, returns a bool */
 (input: boolean): boolean;
 /** Takes a number, returns a number */
 (input: number): number;
 /** Takes a string, returns a bool */
 (input: string): boolean;
// If this is your first time seeing declare, it allows you
// to tell TypeScript something exists even if it doesn't
// exist in the runtime in this file. Useful for mapping
// code with side-effects but extremely useful for demos
// where making the implementation would be a lot of code.
declare const boolOrNumberOrStringFunction:
BoolOrNumberOrStringFunction;
const boolValue = boolOrNumberOrStringFunction(true);
const numberValue = boolOrNumberOrStringFunction(12);
const boolValue2 = boolOrNumberOrStringFunction("string");
// If you hover over the above values and functions you
// can see the right documentation and return values.
// Using function overloads can get you very far, however
// there's another tool for dealing with different types of
// inputs and return values and that is generics.
// These provide a way for you to have types as placeholder
// variables in type definitions.
// example:generic-functions
// example:function-chaining
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const objectsWithDraw = [{ draw: () => {} }, { draw: () => {} }];
 renderToScreen(objectsWithDraw);
 // It will fail if draw is missing:
 renderToScreen([{}, { draw: () => {} }]);
 // Generics can start to look complicated when you have
 // multiple variables. Here is an example of a caching
 // function that lets you have different sets of input types
 // and caches.
 interface CacheHost {
   save: (a: any) => void;
 function addObjectToCache<Type, Cache extends CacheHost>(obj: Type,
cache: Cache): Cache {
   cache.save(obj);
   return cache;
 // This is the same as above, but with an extra parameter.
 // Note: to make this work though, we had to use an any. This
 // can be worked out by using a generic interface.
 interface CacheHostGeneric<ContentType> {
   save: (a: ContentType) => void;
 // Now when the CacheHostGeneric is used, you need to tell
 // it what ContentType is.
 function addTypedObjectToCache<Type, Cache extends</pre>
CacheHostGeneric<Type>>(obj: Type, cache: Cache): Cache {
   cache.save(obi);
   return cache;
 }
 // That escalated pretty quickly in terms of syntax. However,
 // this provides more safety. These are trade-offs, that you
 // have more knowledge to make now. When providing APIs for
 // others, generics offer a flexible way to let others use
 // their own types with full code inference.
 // For more examples of generics with classes and interfaces:
 // example:advanced-classes
 // example:typescript-with-react
 // https://www.tvpescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/generics.html
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2.2 Typing Functions
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=68#example/typing-functions
// TypeScript's inference can get you very far, but there
// are lots of extra ways to provide a richer way to document
// the shape of your functions.
// A good first place is to look at optional params, which
// is a way of letting others know you can skip params.
let i = 0;
const incrementIndex = (value?: number) => {
 i += value === undefined ? 1 : value;
};
// This function can be called like:
incrementIndex();
incrementIndex(0);
incrementIndex(3);
// You can type parameters as functions, which provides
// type inference when you write the functions.
const callbackWithIndex = (callback: (i: number) => void) => {
 callback(i);
};
// Embedding function interfaces can get a bit hard to read
// with all the arrows. Using a type alias will let you name
// the function param.
type NumberCallback = (i: number) => void;
const callbackWithIndex2 = (callback: NumberCallback) => {
 callback(i);
};
// These can be called like:
callbackWithIndex(index => {
 console.log(index);
});
// By hovering on index above, you can see how TypeScript
// has inferred the index to be a number correctly.
// TypeScript inference can work when passing a function
// as an instance reference too. To show this, we'll use
// a function which changed a number into string:
const numberToString = (n: number) => {
 return n.toString();
};
// This can be used in a function like map on an array
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// to convert all numbers into a string, if you hover
// on stringedNumbers below you can see the expected types.
const stringedNumbers = [1, 4, 6, 10].map(i => numberToString(i));
// We can use shorthand to have the function passed directly
// and get the same results with more focused code:
const stringedNumbersTerse = [1, 4, 6, 10].map(numberToString);
// You may have functions which could accept a lot of types
// but you are only interested in a few properties. This is
// a useful case for indexed signatures in types. The
// following type declares that this function is OK to use
// any object so long as it includes the property name:
interface AnyObjectButMustHaveName {
 name: string;
  [key: string]: any;
}
const printFormattedName = (input: AnyObjectButMustHaveName) => {};
printFormattedName({ name: "joey" });
printFormattedName({ name: "joey", age: 23 });
// If you'd like to learn more about index-signatures
// we recommend:
//
//
https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/interfaces.html#excess-
property-checks
// https://basarat.gitbooks.io/typescript/docs/types/index-
signatures.html
// You can also allow this kind of behavior everywhere
// via the tsconfig flag suppressExcessPropertyErrors -
// however, you can't know if others using your API have
// this set to off.
// Functions in JavaScript can accept different sets of params.
// There are two common patterns for describing these: union
// types for parameters/return, and function overloads.
// Using union types in your parameters makes sense if there
// are only one or two changes and documentation does not need
// to change between functions.
const boolOrNumberFunction = (input: boolean | number) => {};
boolOrNumberFunction(true);
boolOrNumberFunction(23);
// Function overloads on the other hand offer a much richer
// syntax for the parameters and return types.
```

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3.2 This
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=54#example/this
// When calling a method of a class, you generally expect it
// to refer to the current instance of the class.
class Safe {
   contents: string;
   constructor(contents: string) {
     this.contents = contents;
   printContents() {
     console.log(this.contents);
 }
 const safe = new Safe("Crown Jewels");
 safe.printContents();
 // If you come from an objected oriented language where the
 // this/self variable is easily predictable, then you may
 // find you need to read up on how confusing 'this' can be:
 //
 // https://yehudakatz.com/2011/08/11/understanding-javascript-
function-invocation-and-this/
 // https://aka.ms/AA5ugm2
 // TLDR: this can change. The reference to which this refers
 // to can be different depending on how you call the function.
 // For example, if you use a reference to the func in another
 // object, and then call it through that - the this variable
 // has moved to refer to the hosting object:
 const customObjectCapturingThis = { contents:
"http://gph.is/VxeHsW", print: safe.printContents };
 customObjectCapturingThis.print(); // Prints "http://gph.is/VxeHsW"
- not "Crown Jewels"
 // This is tricky, because when dealing with callback APIs -
 // it can be very tempting to pass the function reference
 // directly. This can be worked around by creating a new
 // function at the call site.
 const objectNotCapturingThis = { contents: "N/A", print: () =>
safe.printContents() };
 objectNotCapturingThis.print();
 // There are a few ways to work around this problem. One
 // route is to force the binding of this to be the object
 // you originally intended via bind.
```

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2.3 Function Chaining
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?esModuleInterop=true&q=156#example
/function-chaining
// Function chaining APIs are a common pattern in
// JavaScript, which can make your code focused
// with less intermediary values and easier to read
// because of their nesting qualities.
// A really common API which works via chaining
// is jQuery. Here is an example of jQuery
// being used with the types from DefinitelyTyped:
import $ from "jquery";
// Here's an example use of the jQuery API:
$("#navigation").css("background", "red").height(300).fadeIn(200);
// If you add a dot on the line above, you'll see
// a long list of functions. This pattern is easy to
// reproduce in JavaScript. The key is to make sure
// you always return the same object.
// Here is an example API which creates a chaining
// API. The key is to have an outer function which
// keeps track of internal state, and an object which
// exposes the API that is always returned.
const addTwoNumbers = (start = 1) => {
 let n = start;
 const api = {
   // Implement each function in your API
   add(inc: number = 1) {
     n += inc:
     return api;
   },
   print() {
     console.log(n);
     return api;
   },
 };
 return api;
};
// Which allows the same style of API as we
// saw in jQuery:
addTwoNumbers(1).add(3).add().print().add(1);
// Here's a similar example which uses a class:
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class AddNumbers {
 private n: number;
 constructor(start = 0) {
   this.n = start;
 public add(inc = 1) {
   this.n = this.n + inc;
   return this;
 public print() {
   console.log(this.n);
   return this;
// Here it is in action:
new AddNumbers(2).add(3).add().print().add(1);
// This example used the TypeScript
// type inference to provide a way to
// provide tooling to JavaScript patterns.
// For more examples on this:
// - example:code-flow
```

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3 Working With Classes
3.1 Classes 101
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=369#example/classes-101
// A class is a special type of JavaScript object which
// is always created via a constructor. These classes
// act a lot like objects, and have an inheritance structure
// similar to languages such as Java/C#/Swift.
// Here's an example class:
class Vendor {
   name: string;
   constructor(name: string) {
     this.name = name;
   greet() {
     return "Hello, welcome to " + this.name;
 }
 // An instance can be created via the new keyword, and
 // you can call methods and access properties from the
 // object.
 const shop = new Vendor("Ye Olde Shop");
 console.log(shop.greet());
 // You can subclass an object. Here's a food cart which
 // has a variety as well as a name:
 class FoodTruck extends Vendor {
   cuisine: string;
   constructor(name: string, cuisine: string) {
     super(name);
     this.cuisine = cuisine;
   greet() {
    return "Hi, welcome to food truck " + this.name + ". We serve " +
this.cuisine + " food.";
 }
 // Because we indicated that there needs to be two arguments
 // to create a new FoodTruck, TypeScript will provide errors
 // when you only use one:
 const nameOnlyTruck = new FoodTruck("Salome's Adobo");
 // Correctly passing in two arguments will let you create a
 // new instance of the FoodTruck:
 const truck = new FoodTruck("Dave's Doritos", "junk");
 console.log(truck.greet());
```

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3.4 Mixins
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=156#example/mixins
// Mixins are a faux-multiple inheritance pattern for classes
// in JavaScript which TypeScript has support for. The pattern
// allows you to create a class which is a merge of many
// classes.
// To get started, we need a type which we'll use to extend
// other classes from. The main responsibility is to declare
// that the type being passed in is a class.
type Constructor = new (...args: any[]) => {};
// Then we can create a series of classes which extend
// the final class by wrapping it. This pattern works well
// when similar objects have different capabilities.
// This mixin adds a scale property, with getters and setters
// for changing it with an encapsulated private property:
function Scale<TBase extends Constructor>(Base: TBase) {
 return class extends Base {
   // Mixins may not declare private/protected properties
   // however, you can use ES2020 private fields
   _scale = 1;
   setScale(scale: number) {
     this._scale = scale;
   get scale(): number {
     return this._scale;
// This mixin adds extra methods around alpha composition
// something which modern computers use to create depth:
function Alpha<TBase extends Constructor>(Base: TBase) {
 return class extends Base {
   alpha = 1;
   setHidden() {
     this.alpha = 0;
   setVisible() {
     this.alpha = 1;
   setAlpha(alpha: number) {
     this.alpha = alpha;
// A simple sprite base class which will then be extended:
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const customObjectCapturingThisAgain = { contents: "N/A", print:
safe.printContents.bind(safe) };
 customObjectCapturingThisAgain.print();
 // To work around an unexpected this context, you can also
 // change how you create functions in your class. By
 // creating a property which uses an arrow function, the
 // binding of this is done at a different time. Which makes
 // it more predictable for those less experienced with the
 // JavaScript runtime.
 class SafelyBoundSafe {
   contents: string:
   constructor(contents: string) {
     this.contents = contents;
   printContents = () => {
     console.log(this.contents);
   };
 // Now passing the function to another object
 // to run does not accidentally change this.
 const saferSafe = new SafelyBoundSafe("Golden Skull");
 saferSafe.printContents();
 const customObjectTryingToChangeThis = {
   contents: "http://gph.is/XLof62",
   print: saferSafe.printContents,
 };
 customObjectTryingToChangeThis.print();
 // If you have a TypeScript project, you can use the compiler
 // flag noImplicitThis to highlight cases where TypeScript
 // cannot determine what type "this" is for a function.
 // You can learn more about that in the handbook:
 // https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/utility-
types.html#thistypet
```

#### 3.3 Generic Classes

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// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=462#example/generic-classes
// This example is mostly in TypeScript, because it is much
// easier to understand this way first. At the end we'll
// cover how to create the same class but using JSDoc instead.
// Generic Classes are a way to say that a particular type
// depends on another type. For example, here is a drawer
// which can hold any sort of object, but only one type:
class Drawer<ClothingType> {
   contents: ClothingType[] = [];
   add(object: ClothingType) {
     this.contents.push(object);
   remove() {
     return this.contents.pop();
 }
 // In order to use a Drawer, you will need another
 // type to work with:
 interface Sock {
   color: string;
 interface TShirt {
   size: "s" | "m" | "l":
 // We can create a Drawer just for socks by passing in the
 // type Sock when we create a new Drawer:
 const sockDrawer = new Drawer<Sock>();
 // Now we can add or remove socks to the drawer:
 sockDrawer.add({ color: "white" });
 const mySock = sockDrawer.remove();
 // As well as creating a drawer for TShirts:
 const tshirtDrawer = new Drawer<TShirt>();
 tshirtDrawer.add({ size: "m" });
 // If you're a bit eccentric, you could even create a drawer
 // which mixes Socks and TShirts by using a union:
 const mixedDrawer = new Drawer<Sock | TShirt>();
 // Creating a class like Drawer without the extra TypeScript
 // syntax requires using the template tag in JSDoc. In this
 // example we define the template variable, then provide
 // the properties on the class:
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// To have this work in the playground, you'll need to change
// the settings to be a JavaScript file, and delete the
// TypeScript code above
/**
 * @template {{}} ClothingType
class Dresser {
 constructor() {
   /** @type {ClothingType[]} */
   this.contents = [];
  /** @param {ClothingType} object */
  add(object) {
   this.contents.push(object);
  /** @return {ClothingType} */
  remove() {
   return this.contents.pop();
// Then we create a new type via JSDoc:
 * @typedef {Object} Coat An item of clothing
 * @property {string} color The colour for coat
// Then when we create a new instance of that class
// we use @type to assign the variable as a Dresser
// which handles Coats.
/** @type {Dresser<Coat>} */
const coatDresser = new Dresser();
coatDresser.add({ color: "green" });
const coat = coatDresser.remove();
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4.2 Immutability
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=405#example/immutability
// JavaScript is a language with a few ways to declare that
// some of your objects don't change. The most prominent is
// const - which says that the value won't change.
const helloWorld = "Hello World";
// You cannot change helloWorld now, TypeScript will give
// you an error about this, because you would get one at
// runtime instead.
helloWorld = "Hi world";
// Why care about immutability? A lot of this is about
// reducing complexity in your code. If you can reduce the
// number of things which can change, then there are less
// things to keep track of.
// Using const is a great first step, however this fails
// down a bit when using objects.
const myConstantObject = {
 msg: "Hello World",
// myConstantObject is not quite a constant though, because
// we can still make changes to parts of the object, for
// example we can change msg:
myConstantObject.msg = "Hi World";
// const means the value at that point stays the same, but
// that the object itself may change internally. This can
// be changed using Object.freeze.
const myDefinitelyConstantObject = Object.freeze({
 msg: "Hello World",
});
// When an object is frozen, then you cannot change the
// internals. TypeScript will offer errors in these cases:
myDefinitelyConstantObject.msg = "Hi World";
// This works the same for arrays too:
const myFrozenArray = Object.freeze(["Hi"]);
myFrozenArray.push("World");
// Using freeze means you can trust that the object is
// staying the same under the hood.
// TypeScript has a few extra syntax hooks to improve working
// with immutable data which you can find in the TypeScript
// section of the examples:
// example:literals
// example:type-widening-and-narrowing
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class Sprite {
 name = "";
 x = 0;
 y = 0;
 constructor(name: string) {
   this.name = name;
// Here we create two different types of sprites
// which have different capabilities:
const ModernDisplaySprite = Alpha(Scale(Sprite));
const EightBitSprite = Scale(Sprite);
// Creating instances of these classes shows that
// the objects have different sets of properties
// and methods due to their mixins:
const flappySprite = new ModernDisplaySprite("Bird");
flappySprite.x = 10;
flappySprite.y = 20;
flappySprite.setVisible();
flappySprite.setScale(0.8);
console.log(flappySprite.scale);
const gameBoySprite = new EightBitSprite("L block");
gameBoySprite.setScale(0.3);
// Fails because an EightBitSprite does not have
// the mixin for changing alphas:
gameBoySprite.setAlpha(0.5);
// If you want to make more guarantees over the classes
// which you wrap, you can use a constructor with generics.
type GConstructorT = \{\} > = \text{new } (..., \text{args: any}[]) \Rightarrow T;
// Now you can declare that this mixin can only be
// applied when the base class is a certain shape.
type Moveable = GConstructor<{ setXYAcceleration: (x: number, y:</pre>
number) => void }>;
// We can then create a mixin which relies on the function
// present in the parameter to the GConstructor above.
function Jumpable<TBase extends Moveable>(Base: TBase) {
 return class extends Base {
     // This mixin knows about setXYAcceleration now
     this.setXYAcceleration(0, 20);
 };
// We cannot create this sprite until there is a class
// in the mixin hierarchy which adds setXYAcceleration:
const UserSprite = new Jumpable(ModernDisplaySprite);
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4.1 Async Await
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=388#example/async-await
// Modern JavaScript added a way to handle callbacks in an
// elegant way by adding a Promise based API which has special
// syntax that lets you treat asynchronous code as though it
// acts synchronously.
// Like all language features, this is a trade-off in
// complexity: making a function async means your return
// values are wrapped in Promises. What used to return a
// string, now returns a Promise<string>.
const func = () => ":wave:";
const asyncFunc = async () => ":wave:";
const myString = func();
const myPromiseString = asyncFunc();
myString.length;
// myPromiseString is a Promise, not the string:
myPromiseString.length;
// You can use the await keyword to convert a promise
// into its value. Today, these only work inside an async
// function.
const myWrapperFunction = async () => {
 const myString = func();
 const myResolvedPromiseString = await asyncFunc();
 // Via the await keyword, now myResolvedPromiseString
 // is a string
 myString.length;
 myResolvedPromiseString.length;
// Code which is running via an await can throw errors,
// and it's important to catch those errors somewhere.
const myThrowingFunction = async () => {
 throw new Error("Do not call this");
};
// We can wrap calling an async function in a try catch to
// handle cases where the function acts unexpectedly.
const asyncFunctionCatching = async () => {
 const myReturnValue = "Hello world";
 try {
   await myThrowingFunction();
 } catch (error) {
   console.error("myThrowingFunction failed", error);
 return myReturnValue;
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};
// Due to the ergonomics of this API being either returning
// a single value, or throwing, you should consider offering
// information about the result inside the returned value and
// use throw only when something truly exceptional has
// occurred.
const exampleSquareRootFunction = asvnc (input: anv) => {
 if (isNaN(input)) {
   throw new Error("Only numbers are accepted");
 if (input < 0) {</pre>
   return { success: false, message: "Cannot square root negative
number" };
 } else {
   return { success: true, value: Math.sqrt(input) };
};
// Then the function consumers can check in the response and
// figure out what to do with your return value. While this
// is a trivial example, once you have started working with
// networking code these APIs become worth the extra syntax.
const checkSquareRoot = asvnc (value: number) => {
 const response = await exampleSquareRootFunction(value);
 if (response.success) {
   response.value;
};
// Async/Await took code which looked like this:
// getResponse(url, (response) => {
// getResponse(response.url, (secondResponse) => {
      const responseData = secondResponse.data
      getResponse(responseData.url, (thirdResponse) => {
//
      })
//
   })
// })
// And let it become linear like:
// const response = await getResponse(url)
// const secondResponse = await getResponse(response.url)
// const responseData = secondResponse.data
// const thirdResponse = await getResponse(responseData.url)
// ...
// Which can make the code sit closer to left edge, and
// be read with a consistent rhythm.
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// Then use it by referencing the typedef's name:
/** @type { User } */
const user = {};
// There's the TypeScript compatible inline type shorthand,
// which you can use for both type and typedef:
/** @type {{ owner: User, name: string }} */
const resource;
/** @typedef {{owner: User, name: string}} Resource */
/** @type {Resource} */
const otherResource;
// Declaring a typed function:
/**
 * Adds two numbers together
 * @param {number} a The first number
 * @param {number} b The second number
 * @returns {number}
function addTwoNumbers(a, b) {
 return a + b;
// You can use most of TypeScript's type tools, like unions:
/** @type {(string | boolean)} */
let stringOrBoolean = "";
stringOrBoolean = false;
// Extending globals in JSDoc is a more involved process
// which you can see in the VS Code docs:
//
// https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/nodejs/working-with-
javascript#_global-variables-and-type-checking
// Adding JSDoc comments to your functions is a win-win
// situation; you get better tooling and so do all your
// API consumers.
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4.3 Import Export
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=426#example/import-export
// JavaScript added import/export to the language back in 2016
// and TypeScript has complete support for this style of
// linking between files and to external modules. TypeScript
// expands on this syntax by also allowing types to be passed
// with code.
// Let's look at importing code from a module.
import { danger, message, warn, DangerDSLType } from "danger";
// This takes a set of named imports from a node module
// called danger. While there are more than four imports,
// these are the only ones that we have chosen to import.
// Specifically naming which imports you are importing
// gives tools the ability to remove unused code in your
// apps, and helps you understand what is being used in
// a particular file.
// In this case: danger, message and warn are JavaScript
// imports - where as DangerDSLType is an interface type.
// TypeScript lets engineers document their code using
// JSDoc, and docs are imported also. For example if
// you hover on the different parts below, you see
// explanations of what they are.
danger.git.modified files:
// If you want to know how to provide these documentation
// annotations read example:jsdoc-support
// Another way to import code is by using the default export
// of a module. An example of this is the debug module, which
// exposes a function that creates a logging function.
import debug from "debug";
const log = debug("playground");
log("Started running code");
// Because of the nature of default exports having no true
// name, they can be tricky when applied with static analysis
// tools like the refactoring support in TypeScript but they
// have their uses.
// Because there is a long history in importing/exporting code
// in JavaScript, there is a confusing part of default exports:
// Some exports have documentation that implies you can write
// an import like this:
import reg from "request";
// However that fails, and then you find a stack overflow
// which recommends the import as:
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import * as req from "request";
// And this works. Why? We'll get back to that at the end of
// our section on exporting.
// In order to import, you must be able to export. The modern
// way to write exports is using the export keyword.
/** The current stickers left on the roll */
export const numberOfStickers = 11;
// This could be imported into another file by:
// import { numberOfStickers } from "./path/to/file"
// You can have as many of those in a file as you like. Then
// a default export is close to the same thing.
/** Generates a sticker for you */
const stickerGenerator = () => { };
export default stickerGenerator;
// This could be imported into another file by:
// import getStickers from "./path/to/file"
// The naming is up to the module consumer.
// These aren't the only types of imports, just the most common
// in modern code. Covering all of the ways code can cross
// module boundaries is a very long topic in the handbook:
//
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/modules.html
// However, to try cover that last question. If you look at
// the JavaScript code for this example - you'll see this:
// var stickerGenerator = function () { };
// exports.default = stickerGenerator;
// This sets the default property on the exports object
// to be stickerGenerator. There is code out there which
// sets exports to be a function, instead of an object.
//
// TypeScript opted to stick with the ECMAScript specification
// about how to handle those cases, which is to raise an
// error. However, there is a compiler setting which will
// automatically handle those cases for you which is
// esModuleInterop.
//
// If you turn that on for this example, you will see that
// error go away.
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4.4 JSDoc Support
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?useJavaScript=trueq=34#example/jsd
// TypeScript has very rich JSDoc support, for a lot of cases
// you can even skip making your files .ts and just use JSDoc
// annotations to create a rich development environment.
//
// A JSDoc comment is a multi-line comment which starts with
// two stars instead of one.
/* This is a normal comment */
/** This is a JSDoc comment */
// JSDoc comments become attached to the closest JavaScript
// code below it.
const myVariable = "Hi";
// If you hover over myVariable, you can see that it has the
// text from inside the JSDoc comment attached.
// JSDoc comments are a way to provide type information to
// TypeScript and your editors. Let's start with an easy one
// setting a variable's type to a built-in type.
// For all of these examples, you can hover over the name,
// and on the next line try write [example]. to see the
// auto-complete options.
/** @type {number} */
var myNumber;
// You can see all of the supported tags in the handbook:
//
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/type-checking-
javascript-files.html#supported-isdoc
// However, we'll try go through some of the more common examples
// here. You can also copy & paste any examples from the handbook
// into here.
// Importing the types for JavaScript configuration files:
/** @type { import("webpack").Config } */
const config = {};
// Creating a complex type to re-use in many places:
/**
 * @typedef {Object} User - a User account
 * @property {string} displayName - the name used to show the user
 * @property {number} id - a unique id
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setState: (prevState: State, props: Props) => Props;
   callback?: () => void;
   render(): FauxactClassComponent<any> | null;
 // Because this class can have both Props and State - it has
 // two generic arguments which are used throughout the class.
 // The React library comes with its own type definitions
 // like these but are much more comprehensive. Let's bring
 // those into our playground and explore a few components.
 import * as React from "react";
 // Your props are your public API, so it's worth taking the
 // time to use JSDoc to explain how it works:
 export interface Props {
   /** The user's name */
   name: string;
   /** Should the name be rendered in bold */
   priority?: boolean;
 const PrintName: React.FC<Props> = props => {
   return (
     <div>
       "normal" }}>{props.name}
     </div>
   );
 };
 // You can play with the new component's usage below:
 const ShowUser: React.FC<Props> = props => {
   return <PrintName name="Ned" />;
 };
 // TypeScript supports providing intellisense inside
 // the {} in an attribute
 let username = "Cersei";
 const ShowStoredUser: React.FC<Props> = props => {
   return <PrintName name={username} priority />;
 };
 // TypeScript works with modern React code too, here you can
 // see that count and setCount have correctly been inferred
 // to use numbers based on the initial value passed into
 // useState.
 import { useState, useEffect } from "react";
 const CounterExample = () => {
   const [count, setCount] = useState(0);
   useEffect(() => {
     document.title = `You clicked ${count} times`;
   });
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5.1 TypeScript with Web
//
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?useJavaScript=trueq=35#example/typ
escript-with-web
// The DOM (Document Object Model) is the underlying API for
// working with a webpage, and TypeScript has great support
// for that API.
// Let's create a popover to show when you press "Run" in
// the toolbar above.
const popover = document.createElement("div");
popover.id = "example-popover";
// Note that popover is correctly typed to be a HTMLDivElement
// specifically because we passed in "div".
// To make it possible to re-run this code, we'll first
// add a function to remove the popover if it was already there.
const removePopover = () => {
 const existingPopover = document.getElementById(popover.id);
 if (existingPopover && existingPopover.parentElement) {
   existingPopover.parentElement.removeChild(existingPopover);
};
// Then call it right away.
removePopover();
// We can set the inline styles on the element via the
// .style property on a HTMLElement - this is fully typed.
popover.style.backgroundColor = "#0078D4";
popover.style.color = "white";
popover.style.border = "1px solid black";
popover.style.position = "fixed";
popover.style.bottom = "10px";
popover.style.left = "20px";
popover.style.width = "200px":
popover.style.height = "100px";
popover.style.padding = "10px";
// Including more obscure, or deprecated CSS attributes.
popover.style.webkitBorderRadius = "4px":
// To add content to the popover, we'll need to add
// a paragraph element and use it to add some text.
const message = document.createElement("p");
message.textContent = "Here is an example popover";
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// And we'll also add a close button.
const closeButton = document.createElement("a");
closeButton.textContent = "X";
closeButton.style.position = "absolute";
closeButton.style.top = "3px";
closeButton.style.right = "8px";
closeButton.style.color = "white";
closeButton.style.cursor = "pointer";
closeButton.onclick = () => {
 removePopover();
};
// Then add all of these elements on to the page.
popover.appendChild(message);
popover.appendChild(closeButton);
document.body.appendChild(popover);
// If you hit "Run" above, then a popup should appear
// in the bottom left, which you can close by clicking
// on the x in the top right of the popup.
// This example shows how you can work with the DOM API
// in JavaScript - but using TypeScript to provide great
// tooling support.
// There is an extended example for TypeScript tooling with
// WebGL available here: example:typescript-with-webgl
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5.2 TypeScript with React
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?jsx=2&esModuleInterop=true&g=143#e
xample/typescript-with-react
// React is a popular library for creating user interfaces.
// It provides a JavaScript abstraction for creating view
// components using a JavaScript language extension called
// JSX.
// TypeScript supports JSX, and provides a rich set of
// type tools to richly model how components connect.
// To understand how TypeScript works with React components
// you may want a primer on generics:
// - example:generic-functions
// - example:generic-classes
// First we'll look at how generic interfaces are used to map
// React components. This is a faux-React functional component:
type FauxactFunctionComponent<Props extends {}> = (
   props: Props,
   context?: any
 ) => FauxactFunctionComponent<any> | null | JSX.Element;
 // Roughly:
 // FauxactFunctionComponent is a generic function which relies on
 // another type, Props. Props has to be an object (to make sure
 // you don't pass a primitive) and the Props type will be
 // re-used as the first argument in the function.
 // To use it, you need a props type:
 interface DateProps {
   iso8601Date: string:
   message: string;
 // We can then create a DateComponent which uses the
 // DateProps interface, and renders the date.
 const DateComponent: FauxactFunctionComponent<DateProps> = props =>
   <time dateTime={props.iso8601Date}>{props.message}</time>
 // This creates a function which is generic with a Props
 // variable which has to be an object. The component function
 // returns either another component function or null.
 // The other component API is a class-based one. Here's a
 // simplified version of that API:
 interface FauxactClassComponent<Props extends {}, State = {}> {
   props: Props;
   state: State:
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attribute float a_particleDistance;
attribute float a_particleAngle;
attribute float a_particleY;
uniform float u_time; // Global state
varying vec2 v_position;
varying vec3 v_color;
varying float v_overlight;
void main() {
 float angle = a_startAngle + a_angularVelocity * u_time;
 float vertPosition = 1.1 - mod(u_time * .25 + a_particleY, 2.2);
 float viewAngle = a_particleAngle + mod(u_time * .25, 6.28);
 mat4 vMatrix = mat4(
   1.3, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
   0.0, 1.3, 0.0, 0.0,
   0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0,
   0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0
 mat4 shiftMatrix = mat4(
   1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
   0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0,
   0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0,
   a_particleDistance * sin(viewAngle), vertPosition,
a_particleDistance * cos(viewAngle), 1.0
 );
 mat4 pMatrix = mat4(
   cos(a_rotationAxisAngle), sin(a_rotationAxisAngle), 0.0, 0.0,
   -sin(a_rotationAxisAngle), cos(a_rotationAxisAngle), 0.0, 0.0,
   0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0,
   0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0
 ) * mat4(
   1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
   0.0, cos(angle), sin(angle), 0.0,
   0.0, -sin(angle), cos(angle), 0.0,
   0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0
 gl Position = vMatrix * shiftMatrix * pMatrix * vec4(a position *
0.03, 0.0, 1.0);
 vec4 normal = vec4(0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0);
 vec4 transformedNormal = normalize(pMatrix * normal);
 float dotNormal = abs(dot(normal.xyz, transformedNormal.xyz));
 float regularLighting = dotNormal / 2.0 + 0.5;
 float glanceLighting = smoothstep(0.92, 0.98, dotNormal);
 v_{color} = vec3(
   mix((0.5 - transformedNormal.z / 2.0) * regularLighting, 1.0,
glanceLighting),
   mix(0.5 * regularLighting, 1.0, glanceLighting),
   mix((0.5 + transformedNormal.z / 2.0) * regularLighting, 1.0,
glanceLighting)
 );
 v_position = a_position;
 v_overlight = 0.9 + glanceLighting * 0.1;
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return (
     <div>
       You clicked {count} times
       <button onClick={() => setCount(count + 1)}>Click me</button>
     </div>
   );
 };
 // React and TypeScript is a really, really big topic
 // but the fundamentals are pretty small: TypeScript
 // supports JSX, and the rest is handled by the React
 // typings from Definitely Typed.
 // You can learn more about using React with TypeScript
 // from these sites:
 // https://github.com/typescript-cheatsheets/react-typescript-
cheatsheet
 // https://egghead.io/courses/use-typescript-to-develop-react-
applications
 // https://levelup.gitconnected.com/ultimate-react-component-
patterns-with-typescript-2-8-82990c516935
5.3 TypeScript with Deno
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play/?q=100#example/typescript-with-
deno
// Deno is a work-in-progress JavaScript and TypeScript
// runtime based on v8 with a focus on security.
// https://deno.land
// Deno has a sandbox-based permissions system which reduces the
// access JavaScript has to the file-system or the network and uses
// http based imports which are downloaded and cached locally.
// Here is an example of using deno for scripting:
import compose from "https://deno.land/x/denofun/lib/compose.ts";
function greet(name: string) {
 return `Hello, ${name}!`;
function makeLoud(x: string) {
 return x.toUpperCase();
const greetLoudly = compose(makeLoud, greet);
// Echos "HELLO, WORLD!."
greetLoudly("world");
import concat from "https://deno.land/x/denofun/lib/concat.ts";
// Returns "helloworld"
concat("hello", "world");
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5.4 TypeScript with Node
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?useJavaScript=trueq=501#example/ty
pescript-with-node
// Node.js is a very popular JavaScript runtime built on v8,
// the JavaScript engine which powers Chrome. You can use it
// to build servers, front-end clients and anything in-between.
// https://nodejs.org/
// Node.js comes with a set of core libraries which extend the
// JavaScript runtime. They range from path handling:
import { join } from "path";
const myPath = join("~", "downloads", "todo_list.json");
// To file manipulation:
import { readFileSync } from "fs";
const todoListText = readFileSync(myPath, "utf8");
// You can incrementally add types to your JavaScript projects
// using JSDoc-style type. We'll make one for our TODO list item
// based on the JSON structure:
/**
 * @typedef {Object} TODO a TODO item
 * @property {string} title The display name for the TODO item
 * @property {string} body The description of the TODO item
 * @property {boolean} done Whether the TODO item is completed
// Now assign that to the return value of JSON.parse
// to learn more about this, see: example:jsdoc-support
/** @type {TODO[]} a list of TODOs */
const todoList = JSON.parse(todoListText);
// And process handling:
import { spawnSync } from "child_process";
todoList
  .filter(todo => !todo.done)
  .forEach(todo => {
   // Use the ghi client to create an issue for every todo
   // list item which hasn't been completed yet.
   // Note that you get correct auto-complete and
   // docs in JS when you highlight 'todo.title' below.
   spawnSync(`ghi open --message "\{todo.title}\n\{todo.body\}"`);
 });
// TypeScript has up-to-date type definitions for all of the
// built in modules via DefinitelyTyped - which means you
// can write node programs with strong type coverage.
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5.5 TypeScript with WebGL
https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?useJavaScript=trueg=418#example/tv
pescript-with-webgl
// This example creates an HTML canvas which uses WebGL to
// render spinning confetti using JavaScript. We're going
// to walk through the code to understand how it works, and
// see how TypeScript's tooling provides useful insight.
// This example builds off: example:working-with-the-dom
// First up, we need to create an HTML canvas element, which
// we do via the DOM API and set some inline style attributes:
const canvas = document.createElement("canvas");
canvas.id = "spinning-canvas";
canvas.style.backgroundColor = "#0078D4";
canvas.style.position = "fixed";
canvas.style.bottom = "10px";
canvas.style.right = "20px";
canvas.style.width = "500px";
canvas.style.height = "400px";
canvas.style.zIndex = "100";
// Next, to make it easy to make changes, we remove any older
// versions of the canvas when hitting "Run" - now you can
// make changes and see them reflected when you press "Run"
// or (cmd + enter):
const existingCanvas = document.getElementById(canvas.id);
if (existingCanvas && existingCanvas.parentElement) {
 existingCanvas.parentElement.removeChild(existingCanvas);
// Tell the canvas element that we will use WebGL to draw
// inside the element (and not the default raster engine):
const gl = canvas.getContext("webgl");
// Next we need to create vertex shaders - these roughly are
// small programs that apply maths to a set of incoming
// array of vertices (numbers).
// You can see the large set of attributes at the top of the shader,
// these are passed into the compiled shader further down the example.
// There's a great overview on how they work here:
// https://webglfundamentals.org/webgl/lessons/webgl-how-it-works.html
const vertexShader = gl.createShader(gl.VERTEX_SHADER);
gl.shaderSource(
 vertexShader,
precision lowp float;
attribute vec2 a_position; // Flat square on XY plane
attribute float a_startAngle;
attribute float a_angularVelocity;
attribute float a_rotationAxisAngle;
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## 6 Helping with JavaScript

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6.1 Quick Fixes
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=428#example/quick-fixes
// TypeScript provides quick-fix recommendations for
// common accidents. Prompts show up in your editor based
// on these recommendations.
// For example TypeScript can provide quick-fixes
// for typos in your types:
const eulersNumber = 2.7182818284;
eulersNumber.toStrang();
        ^____^ - select this to see the light bulb
class ExampleClass {
 method() {
   this.notDeclared = 10;
6.2 Errors
// https://www.typescriptlang.org/play?q=434#example/errors
// By default TypeScript doesn't provide error messaging
// inside JavaScript. Instead the tooling is focused on
// providing rich support for editors.
// Turning on errors however, is pretty easy. In a
// typical JS file, all that's required to turn on TypeScript
// error messages is adding the following comment:
// @ts-check
let myString = "123";
myString = {};
// This may start to add a lot of red squiggles inside your
// JS file. While still working inside JavaScript, you have
// a few tools to fix these errors.
// For some of the trickier errors, which you don't feel
// code changes should happen, you can use JSDoc annotations
// to tell TypeScript what the types should be:
/** @type {string | {}} */
let myStringOrObject = "123";
myStringOrObject = {};
// Which you can read more on here: example:jsdoc-support
// You could declare the failure unimportant, by telling
// TypeScript to ignore the next error:
let myIgnoredError = "123";
// @ts-ignore
myStringOrObject = {};
// You can use type inference via the flow of code to make
// changes to your JavaScript: example:code-flow
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gl.compileShader(vertexShader);
// This example also uses fragment shaders - a fragment
// shader is another small program that runs through every
// pixel in the canvas and sets its color.
// In this case, if you play around with the numbers you can see how
// this affects the lighting in the scene, as well as the border
// radius on the confetti:
const fragmentShader = gl.createShader(gl.FRAGMENT_SHADER);
gl.shaderSource(
 fragmentShader,
precision lowp float;
varying vec2 v position;
varying vec3 v_color;
varying float v_overlight;
void main() {
 gl_FragColor = vec4(v_color, 1.0 - smoothstep(0.8, v_overlight,
length(v_position)));
gl.compileShader(fragmentShader);
// Takes the compiled shaders and adds them to the canvas'
// WebGL context so that can be used:
const shaderProgram = gl.createProgram();
gl.attachShader(shaderProgram, vertexShader);
gl.attachShader(shaderProgram, fragmentShader);
gl.linkProgram(shaderProgram);
gl.useProgram(shaderProgram);
gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, gl.createBuffer());
// We need to get/set the input variables into the shader in a
// memory-safe way, so the order and the length of their
// values needs to be stored.
const attrs = [
 { name: "a_position", length: 2, offset: 0 }, // e.g. x and y
represent 2 spaces in memory
  { name: "a_startAngle", length: 1, offset: 2 }, // but angle is just
1 value
  { name: "a_angularVelocity", length: 1, offset: 3 },
   name: "a_rotationAxisAngle", length: 1, offset: 4 },
   name: "a_particleDistance", length: 1, offset: 5 },
   name: "a_particleAngle", length: 1, offset: 6 },
   name: "a_particleY", length: 1, offset: 7 },
];
const STRIDE = Object.keys(attrs).length + 1;
// Loop through our known attributes and create pointers in memory for
the JS side
External APIs
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// to be able to fill into the shader.
// To understand this API a little bit: WebGL is based on OpenGL
// which is a state-machine styled API. You pass in commands in a
// particular order to render things to the screen.
// So, the intended usage is often not passing objects to every WebGL
// API call, but instead passing one thing to one function, then
passing
// another to the next. So, here we prime WebGL to create an array of
// vertex pointers:
for (var i = 0; i < attrs.length; i++) {
 const name = attrs[i].name;
 const length = attrs[i].length;
 const offset = attrs[i].offset;
 const attribLocation = gl.getAttribLocation(shaderProgram, name);
  gl.vertexAttribPointer(attribLocation, length, gl.FLOAT, false,
STRIDE * 4, offset * 4);
 gl.enableVertexAttribArray(attribLocation);
// Then on this line they are bound to an array in memory:
gl.bindBuffer(gl.ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER, gl.createBuffer());
// Set up some constants for rendering:
const NUM PARTICLES = 200;
const NUM_VERTICES = 4;
// Try reducing this one and hitting "Run" again,
// it represents how many points should exist on
// each confetti and having an odd number sends
// it way out of whack.
const NUM_INDICES = 6;
// Create the arrays of inputs for the vertex shaders
const vertices = new Float32Array(NUM_PARTICLES * STRIDE *
NUM_VERTICES);
const indices = new Uint16Array(NUM PARTICLES * NUM INDICES);
for (let i = 0; i < NUM_PARTICLES; i++) {</pre>
 const axisAngle = Math.random() * Math.PI * 2;
 const startAngle = Math.random() * Math.PI * 2;
 const groupPtr = i * STRIDE * NUM_VERTICES;
 const particleDistance = Math.sqrt(Math.random());
 const particleAngle = Math.random() * Math.PI * 2;
 const particleY = Math.random() * 2.2;
 const angularVelocity = Math.random() * 2 + 1;
 for (let j = 0; j < 4; j++) {
   const vertexPtr = groupPtr + j * STRIDE;
   vertices[vertexPtr + 2] = startAngle; // Start angle
   vertices[vertexPtr + 3] = angularVelocity; // Angular velocity
   vertices[vertexPtr + 4] = axisAngle; // Angle diff
   vertices[vertexPtr + 5] = particleDistance; // Distance of the
particle from the (0,0,0)
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ts official samples is
   vertices[vertexPtr + 6] = particleAngle; // Angle around Y axis
   vertices[vertexPtr + 7] = particleY; // Angle around Y axis
 // Coordinates
 vertices[groupPtr] = vertices[groupPtr + STRIDE * 2] = -1;
 vertices[groupPtr + STRIDE] = vertices[groupPtr + STRIDE * 3] = +1;
 vertices[groupPtr + 1] = vertices[groupPtr + STRIDE + 1] = -1;
 vertices[groupPtr + STRIDE * 2 + 1] = vertices[groupPtr + STRIDE * 3
+ 1] = +1;
 const indicesPtr = i * NUM_INDICES;
 const vertexPtr = i * NUM VERTICES;
 indices[indicesPtr] = vertexPtr;
 indices[indicesPtr + 4] = indices[indicesPtr + 1] = vertexPtr + 1;
 indices[indicesPtr + 3] = indices[indicesPtr + 2] = vertexPtr + 2;
 indices[indicesPtr + 5] = vertexPtr + 3;
// Pass in the data to the WebGL context
gl.bufferData(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, vertices, gl.STATIC_DRAW);
gl.bufferData(gl.ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER, indices, gl.STATIC_DRAW);
const timeUniformLocation = gl.getUniformLocation(shaderProgram,
"u_time");
const startTime = (window.performance || Date).now();
// Start the background colour as black
gl.clearColor(0, 0, 0, 1);
// Allow alpha channels on in the vertex shader
gl.enable(gl.BLEND);
gl.blendFunc(gl.SRC_ALPHA, gl.ONE);
// Set the WebGL context to be the full size of the canvas
gl.viewport(0, 0, canvas.width, canvas.height);
// Create a run-loop to draw all of the confetti
(function frame() {
 gl.uniform1f(timeUniformLocation, ((window.performance | |
Date).now() - startTime) / 1000);
 gl.clear(gl.COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);
 gl.drawElements(gl.TRIANGLES, NUM_INDICES * NUM_PARTICLES,
gl.UNSIGNED_SHORT, 0);
 requestAnimationFrame(frame);
})();
// Add the new canvas element into the bottom left
// of the playground
document.body.appendChild(canvas);
// Credit: based on this JSFiddle by Subzey
// https://jsfiddle.net/subzey/52sowezj/
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