

When You Should Not Use Arrow Functions

An arrow function doesn't have its own `this` value and the arguments object. Therefore, you should not use it as an event handler, a method of an object literal, a prototype method, or when you have a function that uses the arguments object.

Event handlers

Suppose that you have the following input text field:

```
<input type="text" name="username" id="username" placeholder="Enter a username">
```

And you want to show a greeting message when users type their usernames. The following shows the `<div>` element that will display the greeting message:

```
<div id="greeting"></div>
```

Once users type their usernames, you capture the current value of the input and update it to the `<div>` element:

```
const greeting = document.querySelector('#greeting');
const username = document.querySelector('#username');

username.addEventListener('keyup', () => {
  greeting.textContent = 'Hello ' + this.value;
});
```

However, when you execute the code, you will get the following message regardless of whatever you type:

Hello undefined

It means that the `this.value` in the event handler always returns undefined.

As mentioned earlier, the arrow function doesn't have its own `this` value. It uses the `this` value of the enclosing lexical scope. In the above example, the `this` in arrow function references the global object.

In the web browser, the global object is `window`. The `window` object doesn't have the `value` property. Therefore, the JavaScript engine adds the `value` property to the `window` object and sets its value to `undefined`.

To fix this issue, you need to use a regular function instead. The `this` value will be bound to the `<input>` element that triggers the event.

```
username.addEventListener('keyup', function() {  
  greeting.textContent = 'Hello ' + this.value;  
});
```

Object Methods

```
const person =  
{  
  firstName: 'John',  
  lastName: 'Doe',  
  getFullName: () => `${this.firstName} ${this.lastName}`  
};
```

```
const name = person.getFullName();  
console.log(name); //undefined undefined
```

```
const person =  
{  
  firstName: 'John',  
  lastName: 'Doe',  
  getFullName: function(){ return `${this.firstName} ${this.lastName}`  
}  
};
```

```
const name = person.getFullName();  
console.log(name); //John Doe
```

Prototype Methods

```
function Counter(count = 0)
{
  this.count = count;
}

Counter.prototype.increment = ()=>
{
  this.count++;
  console.log(this.count);
}

const counter = new Counter(5);

counter.increment(); //NaN
```

```
Counter.prototype.increment = function()
{
  this.count++;
  console.log(this.count);
}

const counter = new Counter(5);

counter.increment(); //6
```

Functions that use the arguments object

```
const fx = (a, b)=>
{
  console.log(arguments[0]);
  console.log(arguments[1]);
}
```

```
fx(5, 6);
```

```
const fx = function(a, b)
{
  console.log(arguments[0]); //5
  console.log(arguments[1]); //6
}
```

```
fx(5, 6);
```