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Systems Management - Build Tools & Project Development

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intro

- along with the following traits of JS (ES6 ...),
- functions as first-class objects
- versatile and useful structure of functions with closures
- combine generator functions with promises to help manage async code
- async & await...
- prototype object may be used to delegate the search for a particular property
- a prototype is a useful and convenient option for defining properties and functionality
- accessible to other objects
- a prototype is a useful option for replicating many concepts in traditional object oriented programming

understanding prototypes

- in JS, we may create objects, e.g. using object-literal notation
- a simple value for the first property
- a function assigned to the second property
- another object assigned to the third object

```
let testObject = {
    property1: 1,
    prooerty2: function() {},
    property3: {}
}
```

- as a dynamic language, JS will also allow us to
- modify these properties
- delete any not required
- or simply add a new one as necessary
- this dynamic nature may also completely change the properties in a given object
- this issue is often solved in traditional object-oriented languages using inheritance
- in JS, we can use prototype to implement inheritance

basic idea of prototypes

- every *object* can have a reference to its *prototype*
- a delegate object with properties default for child objects
- JS will initially search the onject for a property
- then, search the prototype
- i.e. prototype is a fall back object to search for a given property &c.

```
const object1 = { title: 'the glass bead game' };
const object2 = { author: 'herman hesse' };

console.log(object1.title);

Object.setPrototypeOf(object1, object2);

console.log(object1.author);
```

- in the above example, we define two objects
- properties may be called with standard object notation
- can be modified and mutated as standard
- use setPrototype0f() to set and update object's prototype
- e.g. object1 as object to update
 - object2 as the object to set as prototype
- if requested property is not available on object1
 - JS will search defined prototype...
- author available as property of prototype for object1
- demo basic prototype

prototype inheritance

- Prototypes, and their properties, can also be inherited
- creates a chain of inheritance...
- e.g.

```
const object1 = { title: 'the glass bead game' };
const object2 = { author: 'herman hesse' };
const object3 = { genre: 'fiction' };

console.log(object1.title);

Object.setPrototypeOf(object1, object2);
Object.setPrototypeOf(object2, object3);

console.log(object1.author);
console.log(`genre from prototype chain = ${object1.genre}`); // use template literal to output...
```

- object1 has access to the prototype of its parent, object2
- a property search against object1 will now include its own prototype, object2
- and its prototype as well, object3
- output for object1.genre will return the value stored in the property on object3
- demo basic set prototype

object constructor & prototypes

- object-oriented languages, such as Java and C++, include a class constructor
 - provides known encapsulation and structuring
 - constructor is initialising an object to a known initial state...
- i.e. consolidate a set of properties and methods for a class of objects in one place
- JS offers such a mechanism, although in a slightly different form to Java, C++ &c.
- JS still uses the new operator to instantiate new objects via constructors
 - JS does not include a true class definition comparable to Java &c.
 - ES6 class is syntactic sugar for the prototype...
- new operator in JS is applied to a constructor function
 - this triggers the creation of a new object

prototype object

- in JS, every function includes their own prototype object
 - set automatically as the prototype of any created objects
 - e.g.

```
//constructor for object
function LibraryRecord() {
   //set default value on prototype
   LibraryRecord.prototype.library = 'castalia';
}
const bookRecord = new LibraryRecord();
console.log(bookRecord.library);
```

- likewise, we may set a default method on an instantiated object's prototype
- demo basic prototype object

instance properties

- as JS searches an object for properties, values or methods
- instance properties will be searched before trying the prototype
- a known order of precedence will work.
- e.g.

```
//constructor for object
function LibraryRecord() {
    // set property on instance of object
    this.library = 'waldzell';

    //set default value on prototype
    LibraryRecord.prototype.library = 'castalia';
}

const bookRecord = new LibraryRecord();

console.log(bookRecord.library);
```

- this refers directly to the newly created object
- properties in constructor created directly on instantiated object
- e.g. instance of LibraryRecord()
- search for library property against object
 - do not need to search against prototype for this example
- known side-effect
- instantiate multiple objects with this constructor
- each object gets its own copy of the constructor's properties & access to same prototype
- may end up with multiple copies of same properties in memory
- if replication is required or likely
- more efficient to store properties & methods against the prototype
- demo basic prototype object properties

side effects of JS dynamic nature

- JS is a dynamic language
 - properties can be added, removed, modified...
- dynamic nature is true for prototypes
- function prototypes
- object prototypes

```
//constructor for object
function LibraryRecord() {
 // set property on instance of object
 this.library = 'waldzell';
}
// create instance of LibraryRecord - call constructor with `new` operator
const bookRecord1 = new LibraryRecord();
// check output of value for library property from constructor
console.log(`this library = ${bookRecord1.library}`);
// add method to prototype after object created
LibraryRecord.prototype.updateLibrary = function() {
  return this.retreat = 'mariafels';
};
// check prototype updated with new method
console.log(`this retreat = ${bookRecord1.updateLibrary()}`);
// then overwrite prototype - constructor for existing object unaffected...
LibraryRecord.prototype = {
 archive: 'mariafels',
 order: 'benedictine'
};
// create instance object of LibraryRecord...with updated prototype
const bookRecord2 = new LibraryRecord();
// check output for second instance object
console.log(`updated archive = ${bookRecord2.archive} and order = ${bookRecord2.order}`);
// check output for second instance object - library
console.log(`second instance object - library = ${bookRecord2.library}`);
```

demo - basic prototype dynamic

object typing via constructors

- check function used as a constructor to instantiate an object
 - using constructor property

```
//constructor for object
function LibraryRecord() {
    //set default value on prototype
    LibraryRecord.prototype.library = 'castalia';
}

// create instance object for LibraryRecord
const bookRecord = new LibraryRecord();

// output constructor for instance object
console.log(`constructor = ${bookRecord.constructor}`);

// check if function was constructor (use ternary conditional)
const check = bookRecord.constructor === LibraryRecord ? true : false;
// output result of check
console.log(check);
```

demo - basic constructor check

instantiate a new object using a constructor reference

- use a constructor to create a new instance object
- also use constructor() of new object to create another object
- second object is still an object of the original constructor

```
//constructor for object
function LibraryRecord() {
   //set default value on prototype
   LibraryRecord.prototype.library = 'castalia';
}

const bookRecord = new LibraryRecord();
const bookRecord2 = new bookRecord.constructor();
```

achieving inheritance

- Inheritance enables re-use of an object's properties by another object
- helps us efficiently avoid repetition of code and logic
 - improving reuse and data across an application
- in JS, a prototype chain to ensure inheritance works beyond simply copying prototype properties
- e.g. a book in a corpus, a corpus in an archive, an archive in a library...

inheritance with prototypes - part 1

- inheritance in JS
- create a prototype chain using an instance of an object as prototype for another object
- e.g.

SubClass.prototype = new SuperClass()

- this pattern works as a prototype chain for inheritance
- prototype of SubClass instance as an instance of SuperClass
- prototype will have all the properties of SuperClass
- SuperClass may also have properties from its superclass...
- prototype chain created of expected inheritance

inheritance with prototypes - part 2

 e.g. inheritance achieved by setting prototype of Archive to instance of Library object

```
//constructor for object
function Library() {
   // instance properties
 this.type = 'library';
 this.location = 'waldzell';
// constructor for Archive object
function Archive(){
   // instance property
 this.domain = 'gaming';
}
// update prototype to parent Libary - instance relative to parent & child
Archive.prototype = new Library();
// instantiate new Archive object
const archiveRecord = new Archive();
// check instance object - against constructor
if (archiveRecord instanceof Archive) {
 console.log(`archive domain = ${archiveRecord.domain}`);
}
// check instance of archiveRecord - instance of Library & Archive
if (archiveRecord instanceof Library) {
   // type property from Library
 console.log(`Library type = ${archiveRecord.type}`);
   // domain property from Archive
    console.log(`Archive domain = ${archiveRecord.domain}`);
```

issues with overriding the constructor property

setting Library object as defined prototype for Archive constructor

```
Archive.prototype = new Library();
```

 connection to Archive constructor lost - we may check constructor

```
// check constructor used for archiveRecord object
if (archiveRecord.constructor === Archive) {
   console.log('constructor found on Archive...');
} else {
   // Library constructor output - due to prototype
   console.log(`Archive constructor = ${archiveRecord.constructor}`);
}
```

- Library constructor will be returned
- n.b. may become an issue constructor property may be used to check original function for instantiation
- demo inheritance with prototype

some benefits of overriding the constructor property

```
//constructor for object
function Library() {
   // instance properties
 this.type = 'library';
 this.location = 'waldzell';
}
// extend prototype
Library.prototype.addArchive = function(archive) {
 console.log(`archive added to library - ${archive}`);
   // add archive property to instantiate object
   this.archive = archive;
   // add property to Library prototype
    Library.prototype.administrator = 'knechts';
}
// constructor for Archive object
function Archive(){
   // instance property
 this.domain = 'gaming';
}
// update prototype to parent Libary - instance relative to parent & child
Archive.prototype = new Library();
// instantiate new Archive object
const archiveRecord = new Archive();
// call addArchive on Library prototype
archiveRecord.addArchive('mariafels');
// check instance object - against constructor
if (archiveRecord instanceof Archive) {
  console.log(`archive domain = ${archiveRecord.domain}`);
}
// check constructor used for archiveRecord object
if (archiveRecord.constructor === Archive) {
 console.log('constructor found on Archive...');
} else {
 console.log(`Archive constructor = ${archiveRecord.constructor}`);
    console.log(`Archive domain = ${archiveRecord.domain}`);
    console.log(`Archive = ${archiveRecord.archive}`);
```

```
console.log(`Archive admin = ${archiveRecord.administrator}`);
}
// check instance of archiveRecord - instance of Library & Archive
if (archiveRecord instanceof Library) {
   // type property from Library
 console.log(`Library type = ${archiveRecord.type}`);
   // domain property from Archive
    console.log(`Archive domain = ${archiveRecord.domain}`);
}
// instantiate another Archive object
const archiveRecord2 = new Archive();
// output instance object for second archive
console.log('Archive2 object = ', archiveRecord2);
// check if archiveRecord2 object has access to updated archive property...NO
console.log(`Archive2 = ${archiveRecord2.archive}`);
// check if archiveRecord2 object has access to updated adminstrator property...YES
console.log(`Archive2 administrator = ${archiveRecord2.administrator}`);
```

demo - inheritance with prototype - updated

configure object properties - part 1

- each object property in JS is described with a property descriptor
- use such descriptors to configure specific keys, e.g.
- configurable boolean setting
- true = property's descriptor may be changed and the property deleted
- false = no changes &c.
- enumerable boolean setting
- true = specified property will be visible in a for-in loop through object's properties
- value specifies value for property (default is undefined)
- writable boolean setting
- true = the property value may be changed using an assignment
- get defines the getter function, called when we access the property
- n.b. can't be defined with value and writable
- set defines the setter function, used whenever an assignment is made to the property
 - n.b. can't be defined with value and writable
- e.g. create following property for an object

```
archive.type = 'private';
```

- archive
- will be configurable, enumerable, writable
- with a value of private
- get and set will currently be undefined

configure object properties - part 2

- to update or modify a property configuration use built-in Object.defineProperty() method
- this method takes an object, which may be used to
- define or update the property
- define or update the name of the property
- define a property descriptor object
- e.g.

```
// empty object
const archive = {};
// add properties to object
archive.name = "waldzell";
archive.type = "game";
// define property access, usage, &c.
Object.defineProperty(archive, "access", {
    configurable: false,
    enumerable: false,
    value: true,
   writable: true
});
// check access to new property
console.log(`${archive.access}, access property available on the object...`);
* check we can't access new property in loop
* - for..in iterates over enumerable properties
*/
for (let property in archive) {
   // log enumerable
    console.log(`key = ${property}, value = ${archive[property]}`);
}
* plain object values not iterable...
* - returns expected TyoeError - archive is not iterable
```

```
*/
for (let value of archive) {
    // value not logged...
    console.log(value);
}
```

demo - configure object properties

using ES Classes

- ES6 provides a new class keyword
- enables object creation and aida in inheritance
- it's syntactic sugar for the prototype and instantiation of objects
- e.g.

```
// class with constructor & methods
class Archive {
 constructor(name, admin) {
   this.name = name;
     this.admin = admin;
   // class method
 static access() {
    return false;
   // instance method
    administrator() {
        return this.admin;
    }
}
// instantiate archive object
const archive = new Archive('Waldzell', 'Knechts');
// check parameter usage with class
const nameCheck = archive.name === `Waldzell` ? archive.name : false;
// log archive name
console.log(`class archive name = ${nameCheck}`);
// call class method
console.log(Archive.access());
// call instance method
console.log(`archive administrator = ${archive.administrator()}`);
```

demo - basic ES Class

ES classes as syntactic sugar

- classes in ES6 are simply syntactic sugar for prototypes.
- a prototype implementation of previous Archive class, and usage... -not* e.g.

```
// constructor function
function Archive(name, admin) {
 this.name = name;
    this.admin = admin;
   // instance method
   this.administrator = function () {
        return this.admin;
    }
   // add property to constructor
    Archive.access = function() {
    return false;
    };
}
// instantiate object - pass arguments
const archive = new Archive('Waldzell', 'Knechts');
// check parameter usage with ternary conditional...
const nameCheck = archive.name === `Waldzell` ? archive.name : false;
// output name check...
console.log(`prototype archive name = ${nameCheck}`);
// call constructor only method
console.log(Archive.access());
// call instance method
console.log(`archive administrator = ${archive.administrator()}`);
```

demo - basic Prototype equivalent

intro

- consider task runners and build tools
- · e.g. Grunt, Webpack...
- relative to build distributions and development environments
- for a new project, begin by initialising a Git repository
- initialise in the root directory
- also add a .gitignore file to our local repository
- define files and directories not monitored by Git's version control
- then initialise a new NodeJS based project using NPM
 - execute the following terminal command

npm init

- answer initial npm init questions or use suggested defaults
- package.json file created
- default metadata may be updated as project develops

directory structure - part 1

basic project layout may follow a sample directory structure,

- sample needs to be modified relative to a given project
- build, temp, and testing will include files and generated content
- from various build tasks
- build and temp directories may be created and cleaned automatically
- as part of the build tasks
- do not need to be created as part of the initial directory structure

directory structure - part 2

- example structure adds index.html file to root of project structure
 - e.g. for client-side and webview based development
- structure includes build directories
- may not add until build tasks for a release distribution
- commonly include bundling, minification, uglifying, &c.
- build directory will be part of a build task
- also update our project's .gitignore file

```
.DS_Store
node_modules/
*.log
build/
temp/
```

install and configure Grunt

 start by installing and configuring Grunt for the above sample project structure

npm install grunt --save-dev

- install assumes a global scope for the NPM package grunt-cli
 - saves metadata to package.json for development builds only
- to use Grunt with a project
- add a config file, Gruntfile.js to the project's root directory
- includes initial exports for tasks and targets
- we may then load and register the required tasks

Gruntfile.js - initial exports

- Grunt config is again dependent on specifics of the project
- we may add some common options
- e.g. linting, build distributions, minification and bundling, uglifying, sprites &c.
- use of rollup will depend upon required support for modules
- including ES modules within JavaScript apps

```
module.exports = function(grunt) {
    grunt.initConfig(
        {
            jshint: {
                all: ['src/**/*.js'],
                options: {
                     'esversion': 6,
                     'globalstrict': true,
                     'devel': true.
                     'browser': true
            }
            },
            rollup: {
                release: {
                options: {},
                files: {
                'temp/js/rolled.js': ['src/js/main.js'],
                },
                }
        },
            uglify: {
                release: {
                    files: {
                         'build/js/mini.js': 'temp/js/*.js'
                    },
                }
            },
            sprite: {
                release: {
                    src: 'src/assets/images/*',
                    dest: 'build/img/icons.png',
```

Gruntfile.js - custom task

we may add custom tasks such as metadata generation,

```
buildMeta: {
    options: {
        file: './meta.md',
        developer: 'debug tester',
        build: 'debug'
    }
},
```

we may add tasks for CSS &c. as we continue to develop the project

Gruntfile.js - use tasks - part 1

- after defining the exports for tasks and targets,
- we can load the required Grunt plugin modules
- register the required tasks
- •
- we may run these registered tasks together
- or separately relative to distribution and environment
- e.g. load the plugins for the required tasks,

```
// Linting, module bundling, minification, directory cleanup...
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-contrib-jshint');
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-rollup');
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-contrib-uglify-es');
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-spritesmith');
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-contrib-clean');
```

Gruntfile.js - use tasks - part 2

- plugins correspond to installed NPM packages for current project
- *e.g.*

```
npm install grunt-contrib-jshint --save-dev
npm install grunt-rollup --save-dev
npm install grunt-contrib-uglify-es --save-dev
npm install grunt-spritesmith --save-dev
npm install grunt-contrib-clean --save-dev
```

Gruntfile.js - register custom task

- we may then register a custom task for various targets in the builds
 - e.g.

```
// custom task - build meta for default debug
grunt.registerTask('buildMeta', function() {
    console.log('debug build...');
    const options = this.options();
    metaBuilder(options);
});
//custom task - build meta for release
grunt.registerTask('buildMeta:release', function() {
    console.log('release build...');
   // define task options - incl. defaults
    const options = this.options({
        file: 'build/release_meta.md',
        developer: "spire & signpost",
        build: "release"
    });
    metaBuilder(options);
});
```

Gruntfile.js - register builds

- then register some build tasks
 - · tasks may combine the options from the config
 - provides the execution of staggered tasks for a single build call
- e.g. a debug build may include
- linting, custom metadata, and a clean task

```
// debug build tasks - default tasks during development...
grunt.registerTask('build:debug', ['jshint', 'buildMeta', 'clean']);
```

we may also define a build process for staging or release

- we may run and test Grunt for the current project
- relative to project requirements, e.g. debug or release

```
grunt build:debug
```

or

```
grunt build:release
```

development with environments

- as we develop more complex apps
 - need to consider how we configure and use such build tools
- e.g. with various environments
- development
- staging
- production / release
- we can define a debug or release distribution build
 - use with each of these environments

environment setup - development - part 1

- app development will primarily focus on a debug distribution
- provide tasks such as linting, testing, metadata, watch, &c.
- becomes common distribution for active, ongoing development
- also need to ensure environment variables are aggregated
 - allows the app to run as expected
 - stored in the same manner regardless of debug or release
- difference is use of encryption
- and the nature of the required environment configs
- bundling with minification and uglifying
- usually added to a project as part of release distribution
- may serve little practical benefit for ongoing active development

environment setup - development - part 2

 we may define a common structure for Node based apps as follows

```
.
|-- debug
|-- src
| |-- assets
| |-- js
|-- temp
|-- testing
|_ app.js
```

- develop the app, including the app source code, in the src directory
- build our app in the debug directory
- each time we need to check and debug usage
- temporary build artifacts may be added to the temp directory
- cleaned after each build workflow has been completed
- e.g. each time we complete a call to build:debug
- clean, where applicable, the build artifacts
- we may also choose to combine debug and temp
 - a single temp directory
- depending upon project requirements

environment setup - development - part 3

- for a client-side or mobile hybrid app
 - slightly modify this directory structure, e.g.

```
.
|-- debug
| |-- css
| |-- img
| |-- js
|-- src
| |-- assets
| |-- css
| |-- css
| |-- testing
|-- testing
|-- index.html
```

- assets directory may include raw image files, icons, &c.
- test builidng these image assets as sprites
- added to the img directory during the build
- also use image optimisation at this stage
- e.g. test UI and UX performance
- part of the debug distribution is the use of watch for live reloading
- nodemon for Node.js based apps
- also consider tasks to aggregate logging within the app's code
- may include explicit console.log() statements, and error handling

environment setup - development Grunt config - part 1

- update our Grunt config
- use a debug distribution in current development environment
- e.g. add any required build options for debug
- then integrate required environment config variables &c.
- start with unencrypted JSON files
- may contain defaults for options
- e.g. current environment, server's port number &c.

```
{
    "NODE_ENV": "development",
    "PORT": 3826
}
```

environment setup - development Grunt config - part 2

- define some additional project directories
 - e.g. encrypted and decrypted config files

```
.
|-- env
| |-- defaults
| |-- private
| |-- secure
```

- env/defaults contains the unencrypted defaults
- as defined in defaults.json
- env/private includes decrypted secure files
- env/secure should be reserved for encrypted files
 - we may add to version control
- env/private should not be committed to version control
- a few different options for file encryption
- e.g. RSA based public/private keys, GNU Privacy Guard (GPG, or GnuPG)
- further details in the extra notes
- encryption, signatures, and verification of files
- includes step by step examples for working with RSA
- and extra layers of verification for a file with generated signatures

merging config sources

- as a project develops, we may produce various sources of configuration
- may include sources such as
- JSON files
- JavaScript objects
- environment variables
- process arguments
- ...
- to help merge such disparate config sources
- add an NPM module such as nconf
- nconf
- or we may simply load environment variables
- e.g. from a project's .env file using the package dotenv
- dotenv

sample waterfall with nconf

- with nconf we may bundle various config stages for a project
 - e.g.

```
const nconf = require('nconf');
nconf.argv();
nconf.env();
nconf.file('dev', 'development.json');
module.exports = nconf.get.bind(nconf);
```

- getting config variables and settings from defined stores in defined cascading order
- order is prioritised
 - allowing overrides and defaults at various stages of the cascade
 - e.g. if a value is given in the command arguments, argv

continuous development

- continuous development (CD)
- allows a developer to work on app code &c. without many customary interruptions
- e.g. server reboots, code refreshes, debugging, linting &c.
- CD often reduces repetitive tasks in a development flow
 - helping to automate processes and development
- build process may be automated and run whenever a pertinent change is detected

continuous development - add a watch task - part 1

- add a watch task to a build flow
- allow a rebuild each time a given file is edited and then saved
- e.g. for Grunt, we may add the plugin module grunt-contribwatch

```
npm install grunt-contrib-watch --save-dev
```

and update the Grunt config

```
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-contrib-watch');
```

- plugin watches file system for code changes in a tracked project
- then runs the affected tasks as required
- basic watch example might include the following

```
watch: {
    js: {
       tasks: ['jshint:client'],
       files: ['src/**/*.js']
    }
}
```

- continuously checks src directory for JavaScript file change or addition
- then runs the jshint:client task
- this type of watch provides a broad approach to managing project changes

continuous development - add a watch task - part 2

- then include additional targets relative to project requirements
- e.g. add further JS specific targets, CSS, sprites &c.
- we may also define separate build tasks to use watch
 - *e.g.*

```
// dev tasks - combine debug with watch
grunt.registerTask('dev', ['build:debug', 'watch']);
```

which we may call as follows,

```
grunt dev
```

- executes the tasks for build:debug
- then starts watching the specified targets

continuous development - live reload - part 1

- also use watch to add support for live reloads
- built-in support with the grunt-contrib-watch plugin
- reload option uses web sockets
- originally designed for browser based real-time communication and synchronisation
- LiveReload option listens for changes to monitored files, directories &c.
- then reload and refresh the current active app
- support for the LiveReload task may added as follows

```
livereload: {
    options: {
        livereload: true
    },
    files: ['build/**/*', './*.html'],
},
```

- provides a live reload server usually runs at localhost:35729
- object includes a property to confirm livereload
 - then defines files to watch to initiate a reload
- e.g. in this example
- watching build directory, its children, then the root directory for any HTML files
- includes any changes to default index.html file
- n.b. this server does not actually reload the app for us
- need to use a server to host the app
- host server is monitoring this Livereload server

continuous development - live reload - part 2

- livereload also provides a setup script for the test app
- two common options for use
- add a link to this script in our project's index. html file

```
<script src="http://localhost:35729/livereload.js"></script>
```

- or
- use a Grunt plugin, grunt-contrib-connect
- grunt-contrib-connect
- automatically injects script in our app's code
- preferred option for ongoing development
- install this plugin as follows

```
npm install grunt-contrib-connect --save-dev
```

then update the Gruntfile.js config

```
connect: {
    server: {
        options: {
            port: 8080,
            base: '.',
            hostname: '*',
            protocol: 'http',
            livereload: true,
        }
    },
}
```

continuous development - live reload - part 3

- need to update the required build tasks to use these plugins
- e.g. add connect and livereload support to dev build task

```
// dev tasks - combine debug with watch, live server, and live reload
grunt.registerTask('dev', ['build:debug', 'connect', 'watch']);
```

then run this build task

```
grunt dev -v
```

- -v flag outputs verbose messages
- helps initially check everything is running as expected

add CSS support - part 1

- app styles will, customarily, include a combination of options
- e.g. CSS stylesheets and dynamic JavaScript based style properties
- to work with CSS stylesheets, similar to JavaScript files
 - consider a Grunt task for minifying these files
- we need to install the Grunt module, grunt-contrib-cssmin

```
npm install grunt-contrib-cssmin --save-dev
```

 then add the following to include this package in the Gruntfile.js config

```
grunt.loadNpmTasks('grunt-contrib-cssmin');
```

and update the build task for a release distribution

referencing the following task for cssmin

```
cssmin: {
    release: {
        options: {
            banner: '/* minified css file - basic-es-modules */'
        },
        files: {
        'build/css/mini.css': [
            'src/css/main.css',
        ]
      }
    }
}
```

add CSS support - part 2

- with the minified CSS stylesheet built
- add a link to this stylesheet in the index.html file

```
<!-- css styles - main -->
k rel="stylesheet" href="./build/css/mini.css">
```

then update the watch task by adding the following for CSS

```
css: {
    files: ['src/**/*.css'],
    tasks: ['cssmin:release']
},
```

- then run the usual Grunt build tasks
- e.g. to minify the CSS stylesheets, and watch for any updates and changes...

Watch update

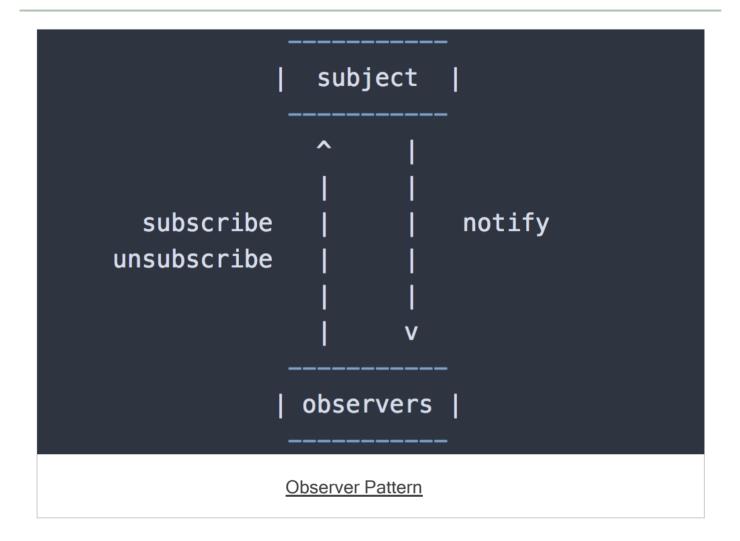
- current watch task includes support for CSS, JS, and HTML
- includes checks for modifications
- e.g. to any defined src directories for CSS and JS
- monitors any HTML files in the app's root directory
- a working watch task is as follows

```
watch: {
    js: {
        files: ['src/**/*.js'],
        tasks: ['jshint:client', 'rollup:release', 'uglify:release']
    },
    css: {
        files: ['src/**/*.css'],
        tasks: ['cssmin:release']
   },
    html: {
       files: ['./*.html']
    },
    livereload: {
        options: {
            livereload: true
        files: ['build/**/*', './*.html'],
    },
},
```

Design Patterns - Observer - intro

- observer pattern is used to help define a one to many dependency between objects
- as subject (object) changes state
 - any dependent observers (object/s) are then notified automatically
 - and then may update accordingly
- managing changes in state to keep app in sync
- creating bindings that are event driven
- instead of standard push/pull
- standard usage for this pattern with bindings
- one to many
- one way
- commonly event driven

Image - Observer Pattern



Design Patterns - Observer - notifications

- observer pattern creates a model of event subscription with notifications
- benefit of this pattern
- tends to promote loose coupling in component design and development
- pattern is used a lot in JavaScript based applications
- user events are a common example of this usage
- pattern may also be referenced as Pub/Sub
- there are differences between these patterns be careful...

Design Patterns - Observer - Usage

The observer pattern includes two primary objects,

subject

- provides interface for observers to subscribe and unsubscribe
- sends notifications to observers for changes in state
- maintains record of subscribed observers
- e.g. a click in the UI

observer

- includes a function to respond to subject notifications
- e.g. a handler for the click

Design Patterns - Observer - Example

```
// constructor for subject
function Subject () {
 // keep track of observers
 this.observers = [];
}
// add subscribe to constructor prototype
Subject.prototype.subscribe = function(fn) {
 this.observers.push(fn);
};
// add unsubscribe to constructor prototype
Subject.prototype.unsubscribe = function(fn) {
 // ...
};
// add broadcast to constructor prototype
Subject.prototype.broadcast = function(status) {
 // each subscriber function called in response to state change...
 this.observers.forEach((subscriber) => subscriber(status));
};
// instantiate subject object
const domSubject = new Subject();
// subscribe & define function to call when broadcast message is sent
domSubject.subscribe((status) => {
 // check dom Load
 let domCheck = status === true ? `dom loaded = ${status}` : `dom still loading...`;
 // Log dom check
 console.log(domCheck)
});
document.addEventListener('DOMContentLoaded', () => domSubject.broadcast(true));
```

Design Patterns - Observer - Example

■ Demo - Observer - Broadcast, Subscribe, & Unsubscribe

Design Patterns - Pub/Sub - intro

- variation of standard *observer* pattern is *publication and* subscription
- commonly known as PubSub pattern
- popular usage in JavaScript
- PubSub pattern publishes a topic or event channel
- publication acts as a mediator or event system between
 - subscriber objects wishing to receive notifications
 - and publisher object announcing an event
- easy to define specific events with event system
- events may then pass custom arguments to a subscriber
- trying to avoid potential dependencies between objects
 - subscriber objects and the publisher object

Design Patterns - Pub/Sub - abstraction

- inherent to this pattern is the simple abstraction of responsibility
- publishers are unaware of nature or type of subscribers for messages
- subscribers are unaware of the specifics for a given publisher
- subscribers simply identify their interest in a given topic or event
- then receive notifications of updates for a given subscribed channel
- primary difference with *observer* pattern
- PubSub abstracts the role of the subscriber
- subscriber simply needs to handle data broadcasts by a publisher
- creating an abstracted event system between objects
- abstraction of concerns between publisher and subscriber

Image - Publish/Subscribe Pattern

Design Patterns - Pub/Sub - benefits

- observer and PubSub patterns help developers
- better understanding of relationships within an app's logic and structure
- need to identify aspects of our app that contain direct relationships
- many direct relationships may be replaced with patterns
- subjects and observers
- publishers and observers
- tightly coupled code can quickly create issues
- maintenance, scale, modification, clarity of code and logic...
- semmingly minor changes may often create a cascade or waterfall effect in code
- a known side effect of tightly couple code
- frequent need to mock usage &c. in testing
- time consuming and error prone as app scales...
- PubSub helps create smaller, loosely coupled blocks
- helps improve management of an app
- promotes code reuse

Design Patterns - Pub/Sub - basic example - part 1 - event system

```
// constructor for pubsub object
function PubSub () {
 this.pubsub = {};
// publish - expects topic/event & data to send
PubSub.prototype.publish = function (topic, data) {
 // check topic exists
 if (!this.pubsub[topic]){
    console.log(`publish - no topic...`);
    return false;
 // loop through pubsub for specified topic - call subscriber functions...
 this.pubsub[topic].forEach(function(subscriber) {
      subscriber(data || {});
    });
};
// subscribe - expects topic/event & function to call for publish notification
PubSub.prototype.subscribe = function (topic, fn) {
 // check topic exists
 if (!this.pubsub[topic]) {
   // create topic
   this.pubsub[topic] = [];
    console.log(`pubsub topic initialised...`);
 }
 else {
   // log output for existing topic match
    console.log(`topic already initialised...`);
 // push subscriber function to specified topic
 this.pubsub[topic].push(fn);
};
```

Design Patterns - Pub/Sub - basic example - part 2 - usage

```
// basic Log output
var logger = data => { console.log( `logged: ${data}` ); };

// test function for subscriber
var domUpdater = function (data) {
    document.getElementById('output').innerHTML = data;
}

// instantiate object for PubSub
const pubSub = new PubSub();

// subscriber tests
pubSub.subscribe( 'test_topic', logger );
pubSub.subscribe( 'test_topic2', domUpdater );
pubSub.subscribe( 'test_topic', logger );

// pubLisher tests
pubSub.publish('test_topic', 'hello subscribers of test topic...');
pubSub.publish('test_topic2', 'update notification for test topic2...');
```

Demo - Pub/Sub

intro

- use a proxy to control access to another object
- a surrogate relationship between the proxy and the object
- proxy may be considered akin to a generalised getter and setter
- whilst getters and setters may control access to a single object property
- a proxy enables generic handling of interactions
- interactions may even include method calls relative to an object
- we may use a proxy where we might otherwise use a getter and a setter
- proxy is considered broader and more powerful in its potential implementation and usage
- e.g.
 - a proxy may be used to add profiling support to an object
 - measure performance
 - autopopulate code properties

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creating a proxy - part 1

- to create a proxy in JavaScript
 - use the default, built-in Proxy constructor

```
// plain object
const planet = {
 name: ['mercury'],
 codes: {
    iau: 'Me',
   unicode: 'U+263F'
 }
};
// proxy for passed target object - target = planet
const planetDetails = new Proxy(planet, {
 get: (target, key) => {
   return key in target ? target[key] :'planet does not exist...';
 set: (target, key, value) => {
    key in target ? target[key].push(value) : 'key not found...';
  }
});
// check proxy access to target property
console.log(planetDetails.name);
// check proxy set against target property
// target = planet, key = name, value = earth
planetDetails.name = 'earth';
console.log(planetDetails.name);
```

creating a proxy - part 2

- in the previous example
- we may access the object and its properties directly
- but the proxy gives us extra utility
- e.g for the getter and setter
 - we may check keys, values, &c.
 - control how the object is updated
 - we may also add basic logging, if necessary...
- after defining the initial plain object, planet
 - we may then wrap it using the Proxy constructor
- current proxy includes a getter and setter method
- contains checks for required key in the original object
- also choose how we would like to compute values, log usage and return &c.

proxy traps

- in the previous example
 - we added a get and set trap for defined target object, planet
- there are other traps we may use with a Proxy
- e.g.
- apply activated for a function call
 - o e.g. measuring performance
- construct activated for new keyword
- enumerate activated for for-in statements
- getPrototypeOf activated for getting prototype value
- setPrototypeOf activated for setting prototype value
- these traps are in addition to existing get and set traps
- there are also traps that we cannot override using a proxy
- e.g.
- equality operators == and === and not equivalents
- instanceof and typeof

logging with proxies

- use logging in development as a convenient tool for debugging and checking code
- output checks, and add debugging statements to various points within our code
- quickly start to add many such logging statements to our code
- better option
- considering abstraction and reuse of code
- is to use a proxy for such logging

custom proxy for logging - part 1

- to improve our code reuse and abstraction
- we may define a proxy for logging within an app.
- e.g.
- define a custom function, which accepts a target object
- returns a new Proxy object with a getter and setter method

```
// Logging with proxy - get and set traps defined
function logger(target) {
   return new Proxy(target, {
     get: (target, property) => {
        console.log(`property read - ${property}`);
        return target[property];
     },
     set: (target, property, value) => {
        console.log(`value '${value}' added to ${property}`);
        target[property] = value;
     }
    });
}
```

- this is a custom logger
 - wraps passed target object in a proxy with defined getter and setter methods

custom proxy for logging - part 2

we may then use this custom function as follows

```
// test object
let planet = {
  name: 'mercury'
};

// new planet object with proxy
planetLog = logger(planet);

// test getting - value for property returned by getter in logger() method...
console.log('default get = ', planetLog.name);

// test setting - value for property set against object
planet.code = 'Me';
```

- in this example
- we define the initial object
- then create a new object with a proxy wrapper
- this proxy includes the necessary logger
 - set for both the setter and getter methods
- as we read a property
 - the get method will log access and return the requested data
- as we set data
 - we log this update, and then update the target

custom proxy for measuring performance - part 1

- another appropriate use of a Proxy is to test performance for a given function
- we may wrap a function with a Proxy, and then apply a trap
- this trap may include a simple timer
- or perhaps a detailed series of tests for the pass function
- e.g.
- the following function simply loops through a passed counter
- · outputs a series of characters for each iteration

```
// FN: test loop to output to terminal
function loopOutput(counter, marker = '-') {
 if (!counter) {
    return false;
 // Loop through passed counter - check number for even...
 for (i = 0; i <= counter; i++) {
   // check for even counter value
   if (i % 2 === 0) {
      process.stdout.write('+');
    } else {
      // console.log(marker);
      process.stdout.write(marker);
    }
  }
 console.log('\n');
  return true;
```

custom proxy for measuring performance - part 2

- we may then wrap this function inside a Proxy
- adding a simple timer for the duration of the loop

```
// wrap function inside custom Proxy
loopTest = new Proxy(loopOutput, {
    // apply simple timer to loop function
    apply: (target, thisArg, args) => {
        console.time("loopTest");
        /* invokes target function - thisArg defines the `this` value
        * if no `thisArg`, undefined will be used instead...
        * thisArg = value to use as `this` when executing a callback
        * args passed to target function loopOutput
        */
        const result = target.apply(thisArg, args);
        console.timeEnd("loopTest");
        return result;
    }
});
```

- apply property trap means function value will be executed each time loopOutput function is called
- handler will now be executed on function invocation for loopTest

custom proxy for measuring performance - part 3

we may then execute this function with its Proxy

```
// call function with counter value and custom marker...
loopTest(75, '-');
```

- markers are output to the terminal
- includes a record of the loop's performance in milliseconds
- benefit of this approach
 - we do not need to modify the original function, LoopOutput
- the return, logic, computation &c. will all remain the same
- customisation in this example does not affect the passed function
- performance checking using the apply trap
- loopOutput function is now routed through the custom proxy each time it is executed

custom proxy for property autopopulate

- a proxy may also be used to autopopulate properties
- e.g.
 - we might need to model a directory structure for a file save
 - will require verification of a defined file path
- or creation of directories to ensure a path may be completed successfully
- latter option may be achieved using a custom proxy
- · create missing directories in a defined path structure
- e.g.

```
// FN: recursive check for dir path and file...
function Directory() {
 return new Proxy({}, {
    get: (target, property) => {
      console.log(`reading property...${property}`);
     // check if property already exists
     if (!(property in target)) {
        // if not - simply add a new directory to target
        target[property] = new Directory();
     // otherwise return property as is from target
     // - write method not implemented for actual directory...
     return target[property];
    }
 });
// create new Proxy for function
const rootDir = new Directory();
try {
 // check properties relative to root dir...
 rootDir.testDir.test2Dir.testFile = "test.md";
 console.log('exception not raised...');
} catch (event) {
 // error handling for null exception should be OK due to custom proxy...
```

```
console.log(`exception raised...${event}`);
}
```

Reflect a proxy - intro

- ES6 introduced a complement to Proxy usage
- a new built-in object, Reflect
- Proxy traps are mapped one-to-one in the Reflect API
- allows an easy combination of Proxy and Reflect usage
- e.g. for each trap there is a matching reflect method

Reflect a proxy - get trap

e.g. use Reflect.get to define default behaviour for a Proxy getter.

```
const handler = {
    get(target, key) {
        if (key.startsWith('_')) {
            throw new Error(`Property "${ key }" is inaccessible.`)
        }
        return Reflect.get(target, key)
    }
}

const target = {}
const proxy = new Proxy(target, handler)
proxy._secret
```

- in this example, now unable to access the _secret property
- obvious benefit of this Reflect usage is the abstraction of get usage
- from Proxy getter to a default, re-usable Reflect get method
- use the Proxy getter
- e.g. to check against data, type &c. in the target
- then call the Reflect get method if successful
- a useful option for restricting access to certain properties through a Proxy
- expose the Proxy instead of the underlying object
- setting access privileges according to requirements
- if successful, a request will then be handled by the Reflect API method
- access must now go through the Proxy
- and meet its rules and requirements

Reflect a proxy - false return

- returning an error may still be an indication that the _secret property exists
- alternative is to return an explicit false boolean value for requested hidden property

```
const handler = {
    get(target, key) {
        if (key.startsWith('_')) {
           return false;
        }
        return Reflect.get(target, key)
    }
};
const library = {
   archive : 'waldzell',
   curator : 'knechts',
    secret : true
};
const proxy = new Proxy(library, handler);
console.log(`secret = ${proxy._secret}`);
console.log(`archive = ${proxy.archive}`);
```

a request for underscore value names may still be checked using

```
// _secret is not a private property in object -
console.log(proxy.hasOwnProperty('_secret'))
```

- underscore property names are still not private
- remain visible to specific property checks

Reflect a proxy - set trap - part 1

- we may also apply reflection to set traps
- reflected set method defines behaviour for a setter on a given Proxy object
- equivalent to the default behaviour for the proxy
- e.g.

```
set(target, key, value) {
  return Reflect.set(target, key, value)
}
```

also add various checks for the passed key...

Reflect a proxy - set trap - part 2

 now update our previous example to include a set trap with Proxy support

```
const handler = {
    get(target, key) {
        if (key.startsWith('_')) {
            // return false to show prop doesn't exist...
            return false;
        }
        return Reflect.get(target, key)
    },
    set(target, key, value) {
        return Reflect.set(target, key, value);
    }
};
```

then test property access using the get and set traps

```
const library = {};
const proxy = new Proxy(library, handler);
proxy.archive = 'mariafels';
proxy._secret = true;
```

Reflect a proxy - defaults and checks

- as we use the Reflect object as the default for traps
- we may add checks, updates &c. to the Proxy trap itself
- e.g. we might add a conditional check to the Proxy
 - then pass a successful update or query to the Reflect method
- default Reflect method allows abstraction for traps from the Proxy
- e.g. we might update each trap with a call to the following conditional check

```
function keyCheck(key, action) {
   if (key.startsWith('_')) {
      throw new Error(`${action} action is not permitted on '${ key }'`)
   }
}
```

 function is called in each trap before continuing to the Reflect method for get or set

proxy wrapper - part 1

- to ensure we restrict access to a target object to the defined proxy and reflect traps
 - need to wrap the target itself in a Proxy
- target object may have been accessed directly in certain contexts
- might be beneficial for an admin mode and access
- to restrict access
- wrap such objects in the Proxy to restrict access to the defined traps and handlers

proxy wrapper - part 2

• e.g. we can modify our previous example for get and set traps

```
function proxyWrapper() {
   const target = {};
   const handler = {
      get(target, key) {
        if (key.startsWith('_')) {
            // return false to show prop doesn't exist...
            return false;
        }
      return Reflect.get(target, key)
    },
   set(target, key, value) {
      return Reflect.set(target, key, value);
    }
};
return new Proxy(target, handler);
}
```

proxy wrapper - part 3

target may now be accessed and managed using an instantiated proxy

```
const proxiedObject = proxyWrapper();
// set prop & value on target using proxy set trap
proxiedObject.archive = 'waldzell';
// target accessible using proxy get trap
console.log(`target archive = ${proxiedObject.archive}`);
```

 target may not be accessed directly using standard property access

```
// target not directly accessible
console.log(`target = ${target}`);
```

proxy wrapper - pass object to wrapper

- we may modify this wrapper to also accept an existing object
- may then be returned wrapped in a Proxy
- e.g.

```
const archive = {
    name: 'waldzell'
}
const proxiedArchive = proxyWrapper(archive);
```

proxy wrapper - check object - part 1

- add a further check to ensure we always have a target object to work with..
 - regardless of passed argument value
- e.g. add a check to the proxyWrapper function to ensure target is always an object

```
// check object & return empty object if necessary...
function checkTarget(original) {
    // check for existing target object
    if (original.typeof !== 'object' || original === undefined) {
        console.log('not object...');
        const target = {};
        return target;
    } else {
        const target = original;
        return target;
    }
}
```

proxy wrapper - check object - part 2

- if we pass a string instead of a target object
 - we can now create a proxy wrapper with an empty object

```
const proxiedArchive = proxyWrapper('archives');
// set prop & value on target using proxy set trap
proxiedArchive.admin = 'knechts';
proxiedArchive._secret = '1235813';
```

- properties for admin and _secret may now be set against an empty object
- due to the passed archives string
- we can call this function at the top of the proxyWrapper function

```
function proxyWrapper(original) {
    // check target for proxy wrapper - original must be object
    const target = checkTarget(original);
    ...
}
```

proxy wrapper - update property access check

- also abstract initial check for property access using a defined character delimiter
- e.g.

```
// check property access using defined char delimiter
function checkDelimiter(key, char) {
    // check key relative to specified char delimiter
    if (key.startsWith(char)) {
        // return false to show prop not available
        return true;
    }
}
```

- simply check defined delimiter character relative to passed property key
- may then be called in the proxyWrapper function

```
if (checkDelimiter(key, '_')){
  return false;
}
```

proxy wrapper - restricting access

- in the previous examples
- we define the target object both inside and outside the proxyWrapper function
- both may be effective options for restricting object access depending upon context
- internal object declaration for target restricts full access to the Proxy object
- any traps for the object will only be accessible using the Proxy object
- consumer must use the instantiated Proxy object to read, write, query &c.
- external target object may still be useful after it has been wrapped by a Proxy object
- restricted access is controlled by only exposing the target as a Proxy object
- e.g. if we exposed the target as an access point for a pubic API
 - proxy object will be exposed and not the original target object

proxy and schema validation

- objects may be defined for a specific purpose or context
- requires control over stored properties and values
- validation allows us define the structure of an object
 - e.g. its properties, types, permitted values &c.
- we may use a third party module or custom function
- may return an error for invalid input and data...
- still need to ensure that the object storing the input data is restricted
- e.g. to authorised access both internal and external to the app
- another option is to use a Proxy with validation of the object
- proxy object may be used to provide access to the model object for validation
- another benefit of a proxy with validation is the separation of concerns
- data object remains separate from the validation
- consumer never accesses the input object directly
- given a proxy object with validation checks and balances
- original input object remains a plain object due to nature of Proxy object usage
- defined proxy handlers for validation &c. may also be referenced and reused
 - reuse across multiple Proxies...

proxy and validator - part 1

- create an initial validator
- using a Proxy, a map, and defined handlers for required object properties
- e.g. as a property is set through a proxy object
- its key may be checked against the map
- if there is a rule for the key, its handler value will be executed
- handler executed to check that the property is valid

proxy and validator - part 2

- value may be passed as a parameter to the handler function
 - stored in the map for the requested key
 - function may include a validation, check &c.

```
// RULES - define executable rules for permitted object properties
// e.g. log, update state, get state, broadcast, subscribe...
// e.g. sample validation for text to log
function validateLog(text) {
    if (typeof text === 'string') {
        console.log(`logger = ${text}`);
    } else {
        throw new TypeError(`logger requires text input...`);
    }
}
```

proxy and validator - part 3

we may then use this proxy and map as follows

```
// set key and handler function in map
validationMap.set('logger', validateLog);
// empty object to wrap with proxy
const process = {};
// instantiate proxy object
const proxyProcess = new Proxy(process, validator);

// string set using handler for logger
proxyProcess.logger = 'test string = hello proxy...';
// number will not be set - fails validation
proxyProcess.logger = 96;
```

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