

Live Cohort Day 92



1. OOP (Object-Oriented Programming)

Definition

OOP is a programming paradigm based on the concept of "objects", which contain data (properties) and methods (functions) to operate on that data.

Code (Example)

```
class Person {
  constructor(name, age) {
    this.name = name;
    this.age = age;
  }

  greet() {
    console.log(`Hello, I'm ${this.name}`);
  }
}

const p1 = new Person("Rahul", 25);
p1.greet(); // Hello, I'm Rahul
```

Use Case

OOP is used to build modular, scalable, and reusable code for real-world applications like web apps, games, and enterprise software.

Interview Q&A

Q: What are the main concepts of OOP?

A: Encapsulation, Abstraction, Inheritance, Polymorphism.

2. Why Do We Need OOP?

Definition

OOP helps in organizing code better, making it reusable, easy to maintain, and scalable for complex applications.

Code (Not applicable directly)

Use Case

- Helps manage large-scale projects
- Encourages DRY (Don't Repeat Yourself) coding
- Simplifies debugging and testing

Interview Q&A

Q: Why is OOP preferred over procedural programming?

A: OOP promotes modularity and reusability, while procedural programming is more linear and less flexible for large projects.

3. Class and Object

Definition

- Class: Blueprint for creating objects.
- Object: An instance of a class.

Code (Example)

```
class Person {
  constructor(name, age) {
    this.name = name;
    this.age = age;
  }

  greet() {
    console.log(`Hello, I'm ${this.name}`);
  }
}

const p1 = new Person("Rahul", 25);
p1.greet();
```

Use Case

 Use classes to define templates (like User, Product) and instantiate multiple consistent objects.

Interview Q&A

Q: What is the difference between class and object?

A: A class is a template, while an object is a specific instance created from that template.

4. Literal Object

Definition

An object created directly using curly braces {}, without a class or constructor function.

Code (Example)

```
const car = {
  brand: "Toyota",
  start() {
    console.log("Car started");
  },
};

car.start(); // Car started
```

Use Case

Useful for creating simple objects without needing reusable templates.

Interview Q&A

Q: How is a literal object different from a classbased object?

A: Literal objects are quick and simple, but lack structure and reusability provided by classes.

5. Constructor & Constructor Function

Definition

- Constructor Function: A function used to create and initialize objects (Pre-ES6).
- ES6 Constructor: Defined inside a class using the constructor() method.

Code (Example)

```
function Student(name, roll) {
   this.name = name;
   this.roll = roll;
   this.display = function () {
      console.log( Name: ${this.name}, Roll: ${this.roll}^*);
   };
}

const s1 = new Student("Ravi", 101);
s1.display();
```

ES6 Class Consruction

```
class Student {
  constructor(name, roll) {
    this.name = name;
    this.roll = roll;
  }

  display() {
    console.log(`Name: ${this.name}, Roll: ${this.roll}`);
  }
}
```

Use Case

Constructors are used to initialize object properties when an instance is created.

Interview Q&A

Q: What is the difference between a constructor function and a class constructor?

A: Literal objects are quick and simple, but lack structure and reusability provided by classes.

6. this Keyword

Definition

Refers to the current object from which the method is being called.

Code (Example)

```
const user = {
  name: "Ankit",
  showName() {
    console.log(this.name); // 'Ankit'
  },
};
user.showName();
```

⚠ In arrow functions, this is lexically scoped:

```
const user = {
  name: "Ravi",
  showName: () => {
    console.log(this.name); // undefined
  },
};
user.showName();
```

Use Case

Access properties and methods of the current object inside methods.

Interview Q&A

Q: What is the difference in this behavior between regular functions and arrow functions?

A: Arrow functions don't have their own this; they inherit it from the parent scope.

7. Prototype Object

Definition

Each constructor function has a prototype object. All instances created from it share the prototype's properties and methods.

```
function Animal(name) {
   this.name = name;
}

Animal.prototype.speak = function () {
   console.log(`${this.name} makes a noise`);
};

const dog = new Animal("Dog");
dog.speak(); // Dog makes a noise
```

Use Case

Use prototype to add shared methods to all instances, improving memory efficiency.

Interview Q&A

Q: Why is the prototype used in JavaScript?

A: To share methods among all instances, conserving memory and enabling inheritance.

8. Create Custom Prototype Object

Definition

You can manually assign a prototype to an object using __proto__ or Object.setPrototypeOf().

Code (Example)

```
const parent = {
  greet() {
    console.log("Hello from parent");
  },
};

const child = {};
child.__proto__ = parent;
child.greet(); // Hello from parent
```

Using Object.create:

```
const customProto = {
    sayHi() {
        console.log("Hi from prototype!");
    },
};

const obj = Object.create(customProto);
obj.sayHi(); // Hi from prototype!
```

Use Case

Allows custom inheritance and shared method setup between objects.

Interview Q&A

Q: How can you manually assign a prototype to an object?

A: Using __proto__, Object.setPrototypeOf(), or Object.create().