Week 2 Notes

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- Standard syntax for an object is key value pairs

```
let myfrac = {num:1, den:4};
```

- Keys can be any type of string value but there are restrictions

- Do not need quotes for a property

- Values can be any data type

```
let myfrac = {
    num:1,
    den:4,
    toDecimal: function(){return this.num / this.den}
    };
```

- Functions are called using ()

```
myfrac.toDecimal;
returns f(){return this,num / this.den}

myfrac.toDecimal();
returns 0.25;
```

- Deconstructing assignment

```
let downloaded = {a:5, b:7, c:8, z:89};

console.log(b);
console.log(z);
```

- Spread operator converst from container type to parameter list

```
let arr1 = [1, 2, 3, 4 , 5];
let arr2 = [8, 9, 10]

[..arr1, 6, 7, ...arr2, 10, 11, 12,13]
returns (13) [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 , 11, 12, 13]
```

- Informally removes the outermost braces and turns it into a comma seperated list

- Works with any container type, common use case:

```
let downloaded = {a:5, b:7, c:8, z:89}
let augmenteded = {...downloaded, d:100}
```

- Spread operator cannot be used anywhere

```
...arr1
let arr1 = [1, 2, 3, 4 , 5];
let arr2 = [8, 9, 10]

//but this works:

[...arr1]
let arr1 = [1, 2, 3, 4 , 5];
let arr2 = [8, 9, 10]
```

  – Assume downloaded is a massive array

```
Math.max(downloaded);
//Returns NaN because it wants a parameter list

Math.max(...downloaded);
//Converts the array to a parameter list allowing the
     function to work properly
```

- Rest operator ... (Same symbol as spread operator)

  – Context lets us determine the difference between the two

- Converts from parameter list to array

- Scenario: assume download is a massive array

```
let download = [5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11];
let [first,second, ...r] = downloaded;
```

```
console.log(first);
console.log(second);

console.log(r);
//returns the array containing the rest of the numbers
```

- Second use case:

```
//Use a rest operator for an infinite amount of numberes
function myMax(...n){
    let max_candidate = n[0];
    for(let i = 1; i < n.length; i++){
        if(n[i]< nax_candidate){
            max_candidate = n[i];
        }
    }
    return max_candidate;
}

myMax(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9);
//Should return 9;
```

  - Allows a function to accept any amount of inputs

- Topic 2 start

```
let n1;
n1 = 31;
let n2;
n2 = n1;
n1 = 32;
console.log(n2);
```

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- Shallow Copy example 2

```
let f1 = {num: 3, den: 4, inverse:{num:4, den:3}}
let f2 = {...f1};
f1.num = 1;
f1.den = 2;
f1.inverse.num = 2;
f1.inverse.den = 1;

console.log(f2);
```

```
//returns 3/4 and 2/1
```

– We want 3/4 and 4/3
– Not a true copy hence SHALLOW copy

- True copy

```
let f2 = structuredClone{1};
```

– structuredClone should be used in the server environment
– However not every browser supports structureClone

- How do we target browsers on an older version?

```
let f2 = JSON.parse(JSON.stringify(f1));
```

– Converts object to a JSON string and converts it back into an object
– Useful to target legacy systems
– Doesn't preserve a lot of data types
    * Functions may be dropped
    * Complex data types may be dropped

- Scopes:

– Global scope, function scope, block scope
– Lexical scope
– Module scope (not discusssed)

- Lexical is more of theory than actual scope

- Block scope will be used within this class

- Global Scope:

– Not recommended due to namespace pollution
– There is no global keyword

```
function myscope(){
    x = 5;
}
myscope();
console.log(x);
```

- x is a global variable in this scenario
- Not using let, var, const makes the variable global

```
function myscope(){
    var x;
    x = 5;
}
myscope();
console.log(x);
```

- First use of the variable decides if its global or not

- Global variables are bad because namespace pollution where variable name is no longer available

- Makes it hard to maintain even if you are working alone

- There are some specific usecases: building a language, building a library, etc.

  - If you are building for a developer and not an end user

- Function Scope:

  - Exists anywhere within the function

```
function myscope(){
    var x = 5;
}
myscope();
console.log(x);
//prints out undefined
```

```
function myscope(){
    console.log(x);
    var x = 5;
}
myscope();
```

```
function myscope(){
    console.log(x);
    //var x = 5;
}
myscope();
```

```
function myscope(){
    if (false) {
        var x = 5;
    }
    console.log(x);
}
myscope();
//prints out undefined
```

```
function myscope(){
    if (false) {
        //var x = 5;
    }
    console.log(x);
}
myscope();
//doesnt work
```

- Variables defined in function scope have preprocessing
- Moves the declaration to the top of the function
- The variable is accessable anywhere within the function

• Block Scope (Recommended):

- Using let or const

```
function myscope(){
    if (true) {
        let var x = 5;
    }
    console.log(x);
    //x cannot be accessed outside the braces
}
myscope();
```

- Scoped within the braces
- No hoisting at all

```
function myscope(){
    if (true) {
        let var x = 5;
        console.log(x);
    }
}
myscope();
```

– You don't even need anything before braces

```
{
    let var x = 5;
    console.log(x);
}
```

– Not a real use case

- Lexical scope:

```
function a(){
    let data1 = 1;
    function b(){
        let data2 = 2;
        function c() {
            let data3 = 3;
            console.log(data1, data2, data3);
        }
    c();
    console.log(data1, data2);
    }
    b();
}
a();
```

– You can access the ancestors variables
– Only works inner to outer

- High Order Functions and Closures

    – Either/or/and:
        * Function that takes another function as an input
        * Function that returns a function as output
    – Most common is map function

```
[1,2,3,4,5,6,7].map(someFunction);
```

– Maps the function to each element of the array and returns a new array with the function applied to the elements

```
[1,2,3,4,5,6,7].map(x => x + 1);
```

– Returns an array with each element + 1

- Create adder function

```
function create_adder(x){
    return function(y){
        return x + y;
    }
}
const add12 = create_adder(12);
add12(10);
```

```
function create_adder(x){
    return function(y){
        return x + y;
    }
}
const add5 = create_adder(5);
add12(100);
```

- Sends back a function that binds x and has a floating variable y that we set
- We can have both a function that accepts a function as an input and returns a function as an output

```
function outer(a){
    let b = 20;
    let unused = 50;
    return function inner(c){
        let d = 40;
        return `${a}, ${b}, ${c}, ${d}`;
    }
}
let i = outer(10);
let j = i(30);
console.log(j);
```

- Returns 10, 20, 30, 40
- We are accessing something outer when we are no longer within that scope
- Closure is the preservation of access to varaiable that another function (or block of code) depends on
    * Does not preserve the data

```
return function inner(c){
    let d = 40;
```

```
      return '${a}, ${b}, ${c}, ${d}';
}
Env:{a:0x03, b:0x05}
//environmental variables that lets us maintain access that
    allows us to break scope
```

– Closure ensures that the garbage collector does not delete those elements test