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ES6 (ECMAScript 2015): Destructuring, Set / Map

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Key Learning Points

- Introduction to destructuring.
- Why destructuring is important.
- Array Matching
- Object matching – Shorthand Notation & Deep Matching
- Object & Array Matching, Default Values
- Parameter Context Matching
- Fail-Soft Destructuring
- Set Data-Structure
- Map Data-Structure

What is Destructuring?

- Destructuring is the process of structuring a new object or array from an existing object or array.
- It literally destructs the existing object by extracting only values of interest.
- It is done by pattern matching in ES6. It uses an array as data item from which you extract values and assign to a variable according to the pattern used to match the values you need from the array.

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Why is Destructuring Important ?

- In ES5 and earlier versions, it was difficult to fetch information from objects and arrays because doing so creates a lot of duplicate code to retrieve certain data from local variables. E.g.
- This code extracts the values of val1 and val2 from the object obj and stores the extracted data in local variables with the same names

```
let obj= {  
    val1: true,  
    val2: false  
};
```

```
let val1= obj.val1    //extract data from the object  
  
val2= obj.val2;
```

Why is Destructuring Important ?...

- If the above scenario has to be repeated for many variables and if you must traverse a nested data structure to find the information, it will then become very complex to handle such data extraction.
- That's why ES6 introduced this destructuring concept for objects and arrays to break down larger and complex data structure and getting the required information.

Array Matching...

- Array Matching is done to pull out the values out of an array and use them as stand-alone variables.
- In Array Matching, the array pattern should be at the left of the assignment and the array being DE structured on the right.

```
const vehicles=['car' , 'bike', 'auto'];  
  
const [ fourWheeler, twoWheeler, threeWheeler ] =  
vehicles;  
  
console.log("twoWheeler: " + twoWheeler);
```

```
//output
```

```
//twoWheeler: bike
```

Object Matching, Shorthand Notation

- Object Matching is done same as array matching.
- An object pattern is to be created at the left side of assignment and also provide the property name whose value you wish to extract.
- Object pattern must have a variable in exactly the same position as the property value to be extracted.

```
var { foo , bar } = { foo: 'Hello' , bar: 'ES6' }  
console.log(bar);
```

//output

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Object Matching, Deep Matching

- To extract some specific properties out an object, Deep Matching is used to make it handy. For Example:

```
let cust= { name:"Rahul",  
            address:{  
                street:"11,Erandwane" ,  
                city:"Pune",  
                state:"Maharashtra" }  
            };  
let{ address: {city:city}, address:{state:state}}=cust;  
console.log("City:",city,"\nState;", state);
```

//Output

//City:Pune

//State:Maharashtra

Object and Array Matching , Default Values

- If the value unpacked from the object is undefined, a variable can be assigned a default value in that case. E.g

```
var {x = 99, y = 11} = { x : 55 };
```

```
console.log(x);           //55
```

```
console.log(y);           //11
```

Parameter Context Matching

- Destructuring of Arrays and Objects into an individual parameters during function calls can be done by Parameter Context Matching in ES6. E.g

```
function foo ([ name, age ]) {  
    console.log(name , age)  
}  
function bar ({name : x, age : y}) {  
    console.log(x, y );  
}  
function zen ({name , age}) {  
    console.log(name, age);  
}
```

Parameter Context Matching...

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```
foo({ "Sachin", 22})  
bar({name: "Rahul" , age: 7})  
zen({name: "Sachin", age:22})
```

```
//Output
```

```
//Sachin 22
```

```
//Rahul 7
```

```
//Sachin 22
```

Fail-Soft Destructuring

- Fail-soft Destructuring provides optional default values, while trying to pull the values.
- In example, values if available in the 'arr' are provided, else variables are provided with the default value (like 30 provided to 'c') or undefined if that default value is also not available.

```
let arr= [ 5, 55];  
let [a=10, b=20, c=30, d] = arr ;  
console.log("a:"+a);           //5  
console.log("b:"+b);           //55  
console.log("c:"+c);           //30 - default  
console.log("d:"+d);           //undefined
```

Set Data-Structure

- A set in ES6 is basically an ordered list of values that does not contain duplicates.
- Unlike arrays, you can check for the presence of a value in a set rather than typically accessing an individual item in a set.
- Sets are created using `new Set()` and you can add values to set by calling `add()` method.
- `size` property can be used to check how many items are there in the set.
- Sets do not coerce values to determine the similarity between two elements. So, in a set number 7 and the string “7” are two different items.

Creating Sets

- Given is the example to create a set in ES6.
- You can also add objects in sets. E.g

```
let newSet= new Set();  
newSet.add(7);  
newSet.add("7");  
newSet.add(7);    //ignored, because its duplicate  
console.log(newSet.size);    //2
```

```
let newSet= new Set(),  
key1 = { },  
key2 = { };  
newSet.add(key1);  
newSet.add(key2);  
console.log(newSet.size);    //2
```

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Removing Items from Sets

- You can remove items from sets by calling delete() method.
- All the items in the set can be removed by calling the clear() method. Set will be empty after calling clear() method.
- Given below is the example to delete item from the set.

```
let newSet= new Set();  
newSet.add(7);  
newSet.add("7");  
console.log(set.has(7));           //true  
newSet.delete(7);  
console.log(set.has(7));           //false
```


Converting a Set into an Array

- A Set can be converted into an array by passing the array to the set constructor.
- Converting an array back to a set utilize the spread operator(...) of ES6.
- Spread operator can also be used to convert a set into an array. Given below is the example to convert a set into an array.

```
let newSet= new Set([10,20,30,30]);  
newArr= [...newSet];  
console.log(newArr);           //10,20,30
```

Weak Sets

- Weak sets stores weak object references.
- They cannot store primitive values.
- A weak reference to an object does not prevent garbage collection if it is the only remaining reference.
- Weak sets can be created using a WeakSet constructor.
- Weak sets have all the methods like sets have e.g. add(),delete() and a has() method.
- It does not have a size property.
- It does not have a forEach() method.

Weak Sets...

- Given is the example to create weak set.

```
let newSet = new WeakSet(),
    obj={ };
newSet.add(obj);
console.log(newSet.has(obj));      //true
newSet.delete(obj);
console.log(newSet.has(obj));      //false
```

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Map Data-Structure

- A map in ES6 is an ordered collection of keys that corresponds to specific values.
- Each item in a map has two pieces of data, that are keys and values.
- Value of an item can be retrieved from a map by reading its corresponding key.
- Maps in ES6 acts as a cache for storing data that can be utilized later.

Creating Maps

- Maps in ES6 can be created by calling the `set()` method.
- Values to Maps can be added passing `set`, a key and the value associate with the key.
- Values can be retrieved from a map by calling `get()` method and passing key to the method. For example:

```
let newMap= new Map();
newMap.set("book", "ECMAScript06");
newMap.set("pubYear", 2017);
console.log(newMap.get("book"));           //
"ECMAScript06" console.log(newMap.get("pubYear"));
//2017
```

Map Methods

- Maps and sets have many methods in common. For example:
 - `has(key)`: to check if the given key exists in the map/set.
 - `delete(key)`: to remove specific item from map/set.
 - `clear()`: removes all the items from map/set.
- Size property behaves differently in map. As map contains key value pairs, so a key-value pair is considered as one item in case of a Map.

```
let newMap= new Map();
newMap.set("book", "ECMAScript06");
newMap.set("pubYear", 2017);
console.log(newMap.size);           //2
console.log(newMap.has("book"));    //true
newMap.clear();
console.log(newMap.has("book"));    //false
```

Weak Maps

- Weak maps are used to store weak object references.
- Only weak map keys are weak references not the weak map values.
- Every key in a weak map must be an object. In case a weak map has a non-object key, it will throw an error.
- Weak maps are very similar to Maps and employ the same methods like `set()` and `get()` are used to add and retrieve the data
- Like weak sets it does not have size property, so there is no way to check whether the weak map is empty or not.

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Summary: Session 6

- With this we have come to an end of our session, where we discussed :
 - What is destructuring and why destructuring is important.
 - Array Matching
 - Object matching – Shorthand Notation & Deep Matching
 - What is Fail-Soft Destructuring
 - What are Map/Sets in ES6
 - also, Weak Maps / Sets.

Appendix

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Thank You

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