

LambdaJS quick reference

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1 Syntax

$e ::= x \mid l \mid e(e, \dots) \mid \mathbf{func}(x, \dots) e \mid \mathbf{une} \mid e \mathbf{bin} e \mid e; e \mid e;; e \mid$
 $\mathbf{let}(x = e) e \mid \mathbf{rec}(x = e) e \mid \mathbf{if}(e) e \mathbf{else} e \mid$
 $\mathbf{label} i : e \mid \mathbf{break} i e \mid \mathbf{throw} e \mid \mathbf{try} e \mathbf{catch}(x) e \mid \mathbf{try} e \mathbf{finally} e \mid$
 $e[e\langle pa \rangle] \mid e[e\langle pa \rangle = e] \mid e[\mathbf{delete} e] \mid e[\langle oa \rangle] \mid e[\langle oa \rangle = e] \mid$
 $\{[oa : e, \dots] s : pe, \dots\}$
 $pe ::= \{\mathbf{value} : e, \mathbf{writable} : e, \mathbf{enumerable} : e, \mathbf{configurable} : e\} \mid$
 $\{\mathbf{getter} : e, \mathbf{setter} : e, \mathbf{enumerable} : e, \mathbf{configurable} : e\}$
 $l ::= b \mid n \mid s \mid \mathbf{undef} \mid \mathbf{null} \mid \mathbf{empty}$
 $b ::= \mathbf{true} \mid \mathbf{false}$
 $n ::= \text{IEEE floating-point numbers}$
 $s ::= \text{UTF-16 encoded strings}$
 $un ::= \mathbf{typeof} \mid \mathbf{strlen} \mid \mathbf{is-primitive} \mid \mathbf{is-closure} \mid \mathbf{is-object} \mid$
 $\mathbf{to-string} \mid \mathbf{to-number} \mid \mathbf{to-boolean} \mid \mathbf{ntoc} \mid \mathbf{cton} \mid$
 $! \mid \sim \mid - \mid \mathbf{abs} \mid \mathbf{floor} \mid \mathbf{ceil} \mid \dots$
 $bin ::= + \mid - \mid * \mid / \mid \% \mid < \mid == \mid === \mid +_s \mid <_s \mid \& \mid \mid \mid ^ \mid << \mid >> \mid >>> \mid$
 $\mathbf{has-own-property} \mid \mathbf{has-internal} \mid \mathbf{is-accessor} \mid \mathbf{char-at} \mid \dots$
 $pa ::= \mathbf{value} \mid \mathbf{writable} \mid \mathbf{getter} \mid \mathbf{setter} \mid \mathbf{enumerable} \mid \mathbf{configurable}$
 $oa ::= \mathbf{proto} \mid \mathbf{class} \mid \mathbf{extensible} \mid \mathbf{code} \mid \dots$

2 Semantics

Presented in big-step style; the formalized pretty-big-step semantics in Coq can be obtained from it. Abort-handling rules (for throws and breaks) are not presented.

2.1 Additional syntax

$v ::= l \mid (\Delta; x, \dots; e) \mid ptr$
 $r ::= v \mid \mathbf{throw} v \mid \mathbf{break} i v$
 $ptr ::= \text{heap pointers}$
 $o ::= \{[\mathbf{proto} : v, \mathbf{class} : s, \mathbf{extensible} : b, \mathbf{code} : v, \dots] s : p, \dots\}$
 $p ::= \{\mathbf{value} : v, \mathbf{writable} : v, \mathbf{enumerable} : b, \mathbf{configurable} : b\} \mid$
 $\{\mathbf{getter} : v, \mathbf{setter} : v, \mathbf{enumerable} : b, \mathbf{configurable} : b\}$

2.2 Helper functions and predicates

$$\begin{aligned} v + \mathbf{empty} &= v \\ v + v' &= v' & v' \neq \mathbf{empty} \\ v + \mathbf{throw} v' &= \mathbf{throw} v \\ v + \mathbf{break} i v' &= \mathbf{break} i (v + v') \end{aligned}$$

$\overline{\text{abort}(\mathbf{throw} \ v)}$	$\overline{\text{abort}(\mathbf{break} \ i \ v)}$	$\frac{oa \in \{\mathbf{proto}, \mathbf{extensible}\}}{oa \text{ writable}}$	
$\overline{pa \text{ writable in } \{\mathbf{configurable} : \mathbf{true}, \dots\}}$	$\overline{pa \text{ writable in } \{\mathbf{writable} : \mathbf{true}, \dots\}}$	$\frac{pa \in \{\mathbf{value}, \mathbf{writable}\}}{pa \text{ writable in } \{\mathbf{writable} : \mathbf{true}, \dots\}}$	
$\overline{\mathbf{null} \text{ is valid } \mathbf{proto}}$	$\overline{ptr \text{ is valid } \mathbf{proto}}$	$\overline{b \text{ is valid } \mathbf{extensible}}$	$\overline{s \text{ is valid } \mathbf{class}}$
$\overline{\mathbf{undef} \text{ is valid } \mathbf{code}}$	$\overline{(\Delta; x, \dots; e) \text{ is valid } \mathbf{code}}$	$\overline{v \text{ is valid } \mathbf{value}}$	$\overline{v \text{ is valid } \mathbf{getter}}$
$\overline{v \text{ is valid } \mathbf{setter}}$	$\overline{b \text{ is valid } \mathbf{writable}}$	$\overline{b \text{ is valid } \mathbf{enumerable}}$	$\overline{b \text{ is valid } \mathbf{configurable}}$

2.3 Semantic rules

$\overline{\Delta; \Phi; l \Downarrow \Phi; l}$	$\overline{\Delta; \Phi; x \Downarrow \Phi; \Delta(x)}$	$\overline{\Delta; \Phi; \text{func } (x_1, \dots, x_n) e \Downarrow \Phi; (\Delta; x_1, \dots, x_n; e)}$
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi_0; (\Delta'; x_1, \dots, x_n; e') \quad \forall i, \Delta; \Phi_{i-1}; e_i \Downarrow \Phi_i; v_i \quad \Delta'(x_1, \dots, x_n = v_1, \dots, v_n); \Phi_n; e' \Downarrow \Phi'; r}{\Delta; \Phi; e(e_1, \dots, e_n) \Downarrow \Phi'; r}$		
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; v \quad un(\Phi', v) = v'}{\Delta; \Phi; une \Downarrow \Phi'; v'}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; v_1 \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi''; v_2 \quad bin(\Phi'', v_1, v_2) = v}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 bin e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; v}$	
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; v \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 ; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; v \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r \quad r' = v + r}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 ; ; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r'}$	
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; v \quad \Delta(x = v); \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{let } (x = e_1) e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}$	$\frac{\Delta' = \Delta(x = (\Delta'; x_1, \dots, x_n; e)) \quad \Delta'; \Phi; e' \Downarrow \Phi'; r}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{rec } (x = \text{func } (x_1, \dots, x_n) e) e' \Downarrow \Phi'; r}$	
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; \text{true} \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; \text{false} \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}$	
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; \text{break } i \ v}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{label } i : e \Downarrow \Phi'; v}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; r \quad \forall v, r \neq \text{break } i \ v}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{label } i : e \Downarrow \Phi'; r}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; v}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{break } i \ e \Downarrow \Phi'; \text{break } i \ v}$
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow \Phi'; v}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{throw } e \Downarrow \Phi'; \text{throw } v}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; r \quad \forall v, r \neq \text{throw } v}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (x) e_2 \Downarrow \Phi'; r}$	
$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; r \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; v}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{try } e_1 \text{ finally } e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r}$	$\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; r \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r' \quad \text{abort}(r')}{\Delta; \Phi; \text{try } e_1 \text{ finally } e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; r'}$	

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi'; ptr \quad \Delta; \Phi'; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi''; s \quad \Phi''(ptr) = \{[\dots] s : \{pa : v\}, \dots\}}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 [e_2 \langle pa \rangle] \Downarrow v; \Phi''} \\
\\
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi_1; ptr \quad \Delta; \Phi_1; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi_2; s \quad \Delta; \Phi_2; e_3 \Downarrow \Phi_3; v \quad \Phi_3(ptr) = o \quad o = \{[\dots] \dots\} \quad s \text{ not a property in } o}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 [e_2 \langle pa \rangle = e_3] \Downarrow \Phi'; v} \\
\text{\scriptsize } o \text{ extensible} \quad v \text{ is valid } pa \quad \Phi' = \Phi_3(ptr = \{[\dots] s : \text{defaultprop}(pa = v), \dots\}) \\
\\
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi_1; ptr \quad \Delta; \Phi_1; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi_2; s \quad \Delta; \Phi_2; e_3 \Downarrow \Phi_3; v \quad \Phi_3(ptr) = o}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 [e_2 \langle pa \rangle = e_3] \Downarrow \Phi'; v} \\
\text{\scriptsize } o = \{[\dots] s : p, \dots\} \quad v \text{ is valid } pa \quad pa \text{ writable in } p \quad \Phi' = \Phi_3(ptr = \{[\dots] s : p(pa = v), \dots\}) \\
\\
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi_1; ptr \quad \Delta; \Phi_1; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi_2; s}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 [\text{delete } e_2] \Downarrow v; \Phi'} \\
\Phi_2(ptr) = \{[\dots] s : \{\text{configurable} : \text{true}, \dots\}, \dots\} \quad \Phi' = \Phi_2(ptr = \{[\dots] \dots\}) \\
\\
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e \Downarrow ptr; \Phi' \quad \Phi'(ptr) = \{[oa : v, \dots] \dots\}}{\Delta; \Phi; e [\langle oa \rangle] \Downarrow v; \Phi'} \\
\\
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 \Downarrow \Phi_1; ptr \quad \Delta; \Phi_1; e_2 \Downarrow \Phi_2; v \quad \Phi_2(ptr) = o \quad o = \{[oa : v', \dots] \dots\}}{\Delta; \Phi; e_1 [\langle oa \rangle = e_2] \Downarrow \Phi'; v} \\
\text{\scriptsize } v \text{ is valid } oa \quad o \text{ extensible} \quad oa \text{ writable} \quad \Phi' = \Phi_2(ptr = \{[oa : v, \dots] \dots\}) \\
\\
\frac{\forall i, \Delta; \Phi_{i-1}; e_i \Downarrow \Phi_i; v_i \quad v_3 \text{ and } v_4 \text{ are bools}}{\Delta; \Phi_0; \{\text{getter} : e_1, \text{setter} : e_2, \text{enumerable} : e_3, \text{configurable} : e_4\} \Downarrow \Phi_4; \{\text{getter} : v_1, \text{setter} : v_2, \text{enumerable} : v_3, \text{configurable} : v_4\}} \\
\\
\frac{\forall i, \Delta; \Phi_{i-1}; e_i \Downarrow \Phi_i; v_i \quad v_2, v_3 \text{ and } v_4 \text{ are bools}}{\Delta; \Phi_0; \{\text{value} : e_1, \text{writable} : e_2, \text{enumerable} : e_3, \text{configurable} : e_4\} \Downarrow \Phi_4; \{\text{value} : v_1, \text{writable} : v_2, \text{enumerable} : v_3, \text{configurable} : v_4\}} \\
\\
\frac{\forall i, \Delta; \Phi_{i-1}; e_i \Downarrow \Phi_i; v_1 \quad \forall i, \Delta; \Phi_{n+i-1}; pe_i \Downarrow \Phi_{n+i}; p_i \quad oa_1, \dots, oa_n \text{ distinct} \quad s_1, \dots, s_m \text{ distinct}}{\Delta; \Phi; \{\text{proto}, \text{class}, \text{extensible}, \text{code}\} \subseteq \{oa_i : i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\} \quad \forall i, v_i \text{ is valid } oa_i \quad ptr \notin \Phi_{n+m}} \\
\text{\scriptsize } \{ \text{proto}, \text{class}, \text{extensible}, \text{code} \} \subseteq \{oa_i : i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\} \quad \forall i, v_i \text{ is valid } oa_i \quad ptr \notin \Phi_{n+m} \\
\\
\frac{\Delta; \Phi; \{[oa_1 : e_1, \dots, oa_n : e_n] s_1 : pe_1, \dots, s_m : pe_m\} \Downarrow \Phi_{n+m}(ptr = \{[oa_1 : v_1, \dots, oa_n : v_n] s_1 : p_1, \dots, s_m : p_m\}); ptr}{\Delta; \Phi; \{[oa_1 : e_1, \dots, oa_n : e_n] s_1 : pe_1, \dots, s_m : pe_m\} \Downarrow \Phi_{n+m}(ptr = \{[oa_1 : v_1, \dots, oa_n : v_n] s_1 : p_1, \dots, s_m : p_m\}); ptr}
\end{array}$$

2.4 Operators

Please note that operators are partial functions: they can be undefined for some input types. Operators can access the heap (for object-related operators) but cannot modify it.

2.4.1 typeof

Consistent with JS typeof on JS primitives (ES5 11.4.3).

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\text{typeof}(\Phi, b) &= \text{"boolean"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, n) &= \text{"number"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, s) &= \text{"string"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, \text{undef}) &= \text{"undefined"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, \text{null}) &= \text{"null"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, \text{empty}) &= \text{"empty"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, (\Delta; x, \dots; e)) &= \text{"function"} \\
\text{typeof}(\Phi, ptr) &= \text{"object"}
\end{array}$$

2.4.2 type testing operators

These are redundant (they can be implemented with **typeof**), but are used often and so it is useful to have them.

is-primitive (Φ, v)	=	true if v is $b, n, s, \text{undef}, \text{null}$
is-primitive (Φ, v)	=	false otherwise
is-closure ($\Phi, (\Delta; x, \dots; e)$)	=	true
is-closure (Φ, v)	=	false otherwise
is-object (Φ, ptr)	=	true
is-object (Φ, v)	=	false otherwise

2.4.3 string operators

strlen (Φ, s)	=	<i>length of s</i>
$+_s(\Phi, s_1, s_2)$	=	s_1 <i>appended to</i> s_2
$<_s(\Phi, s_1, s_2)$	=	true if s_1 precedes s_2 lexicographically
$<_s(\Phi, s_1, s_2)$	=	false otherwise

2.4.4 number operators

Number operators work as specified in IEEE 754.

$-(\Phi, n)$	=	$-n$
abs (Φ, n)	=	$\text{abs } n$
floor (Φ, n)	=	$\text{floor } n$
ceil (Φ, n)	=	$\text{ceil } n$
$+(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	$n_1 + n_2$
$-(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	$n_1 - n_2$
$\ast(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	$n_1 n_2$
$/(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	n_1 / n_2
$\%(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	$n_1 \bmod n_2$
$<(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	true if $n_1 < n_2$ (IEEE 754)
$<(\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	false otherwise

2.4.5 to-string

Consistent with ToString on JS primitives (ES5 9.8).

to-string (Φ, true)	=	"true"
to-string (Φ, false)	=	"false"
to-string (Φ, n)	=	<i>string representation of n</i>
to-string (Φ, s)	=	s
to-string (Φ, undef)	=	"undefined"
to-string (Φ, null)	=	"null"
to-string (Φ, empty)	=	"empty"
to-string ($\Phi, (\Delta; x, \dots; e)$)	=	"closure"
to-string (Φ, ptr)	=	"object"

2.4.6 to-number

Consistent with ToNumber on JS primitives (ES5 9.3).

to-number (Φ, true)	=	1
to-number (Φ, false)	=	0
to-number (Φ, n)	=	n
to-number (Φ, s)	=	s <i>parsed as number</i>
to-number (Φ, undef)	=	NaN
to-number (Φ, null)	=	0
to-number (Φ, empty)	=	NaN
to-number ($\Phi, (\Delta; x, \dots; e)$)	=	NaN
to-number (Φ, ptr)	=	NaN

2.4.7 to-boolean

Consistent with ToBoolean on JS primitives (ES5 9.2).

to-boolean (Φ, b)	=	b
to-boolean (Φ, n)	=	false if n is 0, -0, NaN
to-boolean (Φ, n)	=	true otherwise
to-boolean ($\Phi, ""$)	=	false
to-boolean (Φ, s)	=	true otherwise
to-boolean (Φ, undef)	=	false
to-boolean (Φ, null)	=	false
to-boolean (Φ, empty)	=	false
to-boolean ($\Phi, (\Delta; x, \dots; e)$)	=	true
to-boolean (Φ, ptr)	=	true

2.4.8 strict equality

Consistent with JS strict equality on JS primitives (ES5 11.9.6).

$== (\Phi, b, b)$	=	true
$== (\Phi, n_1, n_2)$	=	true if $n_1 = n_2$ (IEEE 754)
$== (\Phi, s, s)$	=	true
$== (\Phi, \text{undef}, \text{undef})$	=	true
$== (\Phi, \text{null}, \text{null})$	=	true
$== (\Phi, \text{empty}, \text{empty})$	=	true
$== (\Phi, ptr, ptr)$	=	true
$== (\Phi, v_1, v_2)$	=	false otherwise

2.4.9 same value

Consistent with JS SameValue algorithm on JS primitives (ES5 9.12).

$=== (\Phi, l, l)$	=	true
$=== (\Phi, ptr, ptr)$	=	true
$=== (\Phi, v_1, v_2)$	=	false otherwise

2.4.10 has-own-property

2.4.11 has-internal

2.4.12 is-accessor