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Object Behavior

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- Our objects also need to implement functionalities using methods
- We can apply methods to implement them

Approach #1 — using global method to access an object

```
function showPerson(p){
   console.log('Person [ name = '+p.name+",\tage="+p.age+']');
let p1= { }
p1.name='Sanjay';
p1.age=45;
showPerson(p1); //but this not a method of p1 object
```

• showPerson is not a part of the person object.

Approach #2 — we can assign a function as a property to the object

- 1. Functions are objects like number and string
- 2. We can assign any value to the property of an object

```
p1.show = showPerson; //we can assign a behavior to a person
//how do I call this show method?
p1.show(p1);
```

Problem

- Why is 'p1' used twice in the show call?
- Which object will be displayed if we call

```
function showPerson(p){
   console.log('Person [ name = '+p.name+", \tage="+p.age+']');
    var p2={name:'Shivanshi', age:15};
    p1.show(p2);
```

What is the role of p1?

- p1 just a cosmetic here. It has no role.
- p1 is NOT accessible within the function.

'this' reference

- JavaScript passes an hidden reference to every javascript function called 'this'
- This refers to the invoking object
 - o Invoking object for a method is the object that comes before the dot.

```
function show(){
    console.log(
                     this.name );
}
var person = new Object();
person.name= 'Sanjay'
person.show = show;
person.show();
```

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```
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     function showPerson(){
         console.log('Person [ name = '+this.name+
     let p1= { }
     p1.name='Sanjay';
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     p1.age=45;
     p1.show = showPerson;
                             //we can assign a behavior to a person
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     //how do I call this show method?
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    p1.show();
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     var p2={name:'Shivanshi', age:15, show:showPerson};
     p2.show();
```

Challenge Question! What will following code do

```
function showPerson(){
    console.log('Person [ name = '+this.name+",\tage="+this.age+']');
}
showPerson();
```

What is the value of 'this' here?

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     function showPerson(){
        console.log('Person [ name = '+this.name+",\tage="+this.age+']');
    showPerson();
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_ age=undefined]
```

- name , age are undefined.
- But 'this' is not undefined.
 - o If 'this' were undefined I would get error like 'this' is not defined.

```
f showPerson(){
      console.log('Person [ name = '+this.name+", \tage="+this.age+']');
> showPerson()
  Person [ name = , age=undefined]
undefined
> var name='Vivek'
> var age=100;
 undefined
> showPerson()
  Person [ name = Vivek, age=100]
```

• Why is it showing global variables name and age?

Remember

Browser based applicatic

- In a browser based applic variable and method belo object
- When you write
 - o showPerson()
- You are actually writing o window.showPerso
- Here 'this' will point to 'w
- · 'this' is never null

Node Application

- This is considered not nul
- The object belongs global
- But there is not global ob

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> • this.name will NOT refer t variable

How do we create Object with property and methods