

## ES2015 Modules

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- A module is a collection of functionality
- Each .js file forms a module
- All functionality within one module is **by default** private
  - Can be used only within that module.
- We can **export** selected functionality
  - Exported functionality can be used for other functions

### Module Encapsulates

```
//utils.js
function helper(){...}

export function api1() {
  helper();
}
export function api2(){...}

export default function main()
{...}
```

- ▶ By default the functions are available internally utils.js
- ▶ For a function to be accessible outside the module it must be exported
- ▶ export can be named or default.
- ▶ We can have multiple named exports
- ▶ We can have a single default export

### Module internals

- Think of a module as an object in javascript
- The module object will contain all the exports

```
//module1.js
```

```
export function api1() {...}
```

```
export function api2() {...}
```

```
//internally created as
module = {
  api1: api1
  api2: api2
}
```

```
import x from './module1.js';
```

```
x = {
  api1: api1
  api2: api2
};
```

```
x.api1();
```

```
x.api2();
```

This is what you have imported.

We can destruct any object with it's internal property

```
let {api1, api2 } = x;
```

Or we can destructure while import

```
import {api1,api2 } from './module1'
```

### Module Named Import

```
//utils.js
function helper(){...}

//app.js
import { api1 } from './utils';
```

```
export function api1() {
  helper();
}
export function api2(){...}
export default function main() {...}
```

- Named import uses `{ }`
- Can be used only for non default export
- Name should match the export name

## Default export

```
import x from './module1';

export default main(){

}

//internally created as
//we are only exporting main as module
module = main;
```

## Module Default Import

```
//utils.js
function helper(){...}

export function api1() {
  helper();
}
export function api2(){...}

export default function main() {...}
```

```
//app.js
import fn, { api1 } from './utils';

api1();
fn();
```

- Default export doesn't need `{ }`
- Names "main" is not exported
- Can be imported and used under any name