



Workshop

TypeScript Introduction

Task: Test your knowledge

Types

var / let / const

Classes

public / private

Modules

Pure Functions

Fat Arrow

Interfaces

Generics



TypeScript

Optional static type-checking

TypeScript is a **typed superset** of JavaScript
that **compiles to plain JavaScript.**

Why TypeScript

Why TypeScript

- Statement completion and code refactoring
- Symbol-based navigation
- Avoid simple tests (`expect(service.get).toBeDefined`)
 - *It's better for the compiler to catch errors than to have things fail at runtime.*
- Types provide documentation
 - *The function signature is a theorem and the function body is the proof.*

The result: better maintenance for long-living projects

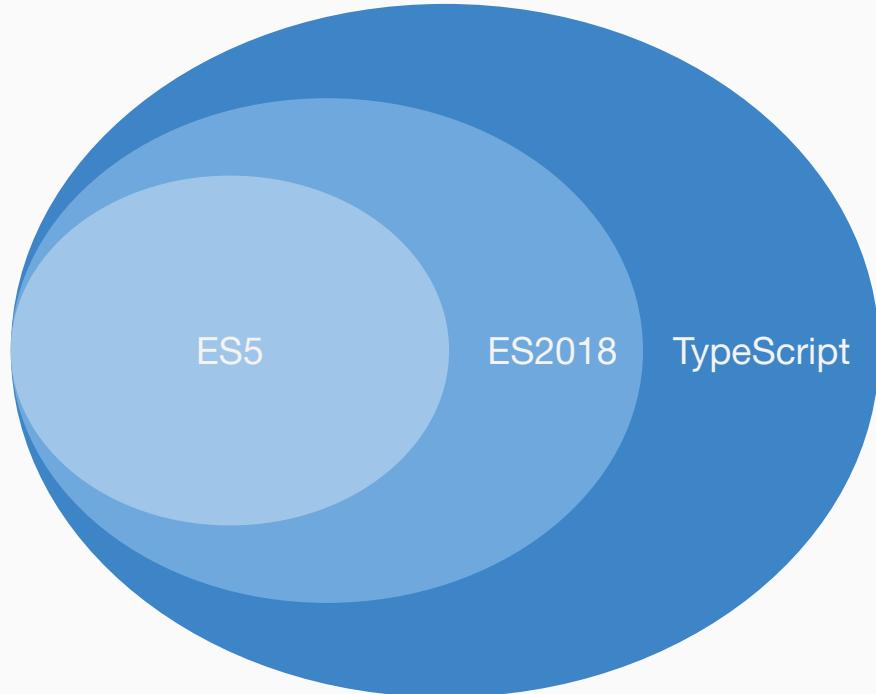
Differences TypeScript vs EcmaScript

What is **ECMAScript**?

- Standardization of JavaScript
- Most modern browsers support most of **ES2017** now
- **ES2018** is standardized, browser support upcoming
- We compile TypeScript → ES5 (which was before ES2015)

TypeScript is a superset

- Superset of EcmaScript
- Compiles to clean code
- Optional Types



Variables

declaration and usage

Basics

Variables - Declaration

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Declared with the keyword **var**, **let** or **const**

```
var value;  
  
const pi = 3.1416;  
  
let $value__123;
```

Variables - var, let, const

	var	let	const
scope	function	block	block
value changeable	✓	✓	✗
Standard	since ever	ES2015 / TS	ES2015 / TS
Cases to use	nearly never	~30%	~70%

let is the new **var**, but most of the time you
should use **const**

Scoping

<code>

var is not block-scoped. Only functions get a new scope!

```
var foo = 123;
```

```
if (true) {  
  var bar = 'test';  
  console.log(foo, bar);  
  // => 123 'test'  
}  
  
console.log(foo, bar);  
// => ???
```

```
var foo = 123;
```

```
if (false) {  
  var bar = 'test';  
  console.log(foo, bar);  
  // => 123 'test'  
}  
  
console.log(foo, bar);  
// => ???
```

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}  
  
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// => 123 'test'
```

```
var foo = 123;  
  
if (false) {  
  var bar = 'test';  
  console.log(foo, bar);  
  // => 123 'test'  
}  
  
console.log(foo, bar);  
// => 123 undefined
```

Variables - Naming

- Almost all arbitrary names
- Exceptions:
 - **no** whitespace
 - **not** starting with a number
 - **no** dashes
 - **no** JS keywords (e.g. typeof etc.)

Variables - Fun fact

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UTF-8 characters are also allowed!

```
const π = Math.PI;
```

```
const ℮_ಠ益ಠ_ℭ = 42;
```

```
const ℰℳ = 'Zalgo';
```

Variables

<code>

Hold the result of an expression

```
const helloWorld = 'Hello World';  
  
const helloFunction = function() {};  
  
const returnValue = getCurrentTime();
```

Variables - Primitive types

<code>

Assign by value

```
let a = 'Hello World';
let b = a; // Only value is copied
a = 4;

console.log(b);
// => 'Hello World'
```

Variables - Object types

<code>

Assign by reference

```
const person = { firstName: 'John', lastName: 'Doe' };
const secondPerson = person;      // Copy the reference
secondPerson.firstName = 'Jane'; // Modify the object using the reference

console.log(secondPerson);
// => { firstName: 'Jane', lastName: 'Doe' }
console.log(person);
// => { firstName: 'Jane', lastName: 'Doe' }
```

Variables - Object types (Array)

<code>

Call by reference

```
const a = [1, 2, 3];
const b = a; // Copy the reference
a[0] = 99;   // Modify the array using the reference

console.log(b);
// => [99, 2, 3]
```

const

Variables with `const`

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Reassigning throws an error

```
const birthdate = new Date();
```

```
birthdate = new Date(); // TypeError: Cannot assign to read only property
```

Objects with `const`

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Only the reference immutable.

```
const myObj = {name: 'Florian'};  
  
// You cannot change the reference  
myObj = {name: 'Peter'}; // TypeError: Assignment to constant variable  
  
// But the object is mutable!  
myObj.name = 'Andreas';
```

Types

Types in TypeScript - Variables

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Types exist for primitive and object types.

```
const isDone: boolean = true;
```

```
const size: number = 42;
```

```
const firstName: string = 'Lena';
```

```
const attendees: string[] = ['Elias', 'Anna'];
```

Types - Any

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any takes any type

```
let question: any = 'Can be a string';
```

```
question = 6 * 7;  
question = false;
```

Type inference

Type inference

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You don't have to set the type of a variable if the compiler can infer it.

```
const firstName = 'Max'; // string
const age = 30; // number
const isEmployed = true; // boolean
const friends = ['Stefan', 'Frederike']; // string[]
const dayOfBirth = Date.parse('...'); // Date
```

null and undefined

By default each data type in JavaScript (and so in TypeScript) can accept null and undefined.

null and undefined

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By default each data type in TypeScript can accept null and undefined.

```
let firstName: string = null;  
let age: number = undefined;  
let isEmployed: boolean; // undefined
```

Compiler Flag: strictNullChecks

<code>

You can activate strict null checks in the config file of your project.

```
// tsconfig.json
{
  ...
  'strict': true,
  ...
}
```

Compiler Flag: strictNullChecks

<code>

In strict null checking mode, the null and undefined values are not in the domain of every type.

```
let firstName: string | null = null;
let age: number | undefined = undefined;
let isEmployed: boolean | undefined; // undefined
```

! - Non-Null Assertion Operator

<code>

Assert that its operand is non-null and non-undefined

```
let a = e.name; // TS ERROR: e may be undefined.  
let b = e!.name; // OKAY. We are asserting that e is non-undefined.
```

! - Non-Null Assertion Operator

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```
function setNextValue(node: ListNode, value: number) {  
    if (node.next === undefined) {  
        node.next = {data: value};  
    }  
}  
  
function setNextValue(node: ListNode, value: number) {  
    node.next!.data = value;  
}
```

Template Strings

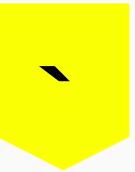
Template Strings



Template literals are **string literals** allowing embedded expressions.

You can use **multi-line strings** and string interpolation features.

They were called **template strings** in prior editions of the ES2015 specification.

Template literals are enclosed by the **backtick** ()

Template Strings

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Simple template strings

```
const singleLine = `My first template string`; // single line
const multiLine = `<span>
  My first multiline template string!
</span>`; // multiline
```

Template Strings

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Variables in template strings

```
const lastName = 'Eich';
const name = `Brendan ${lastName}`; // single line
// Brendan Eich

const multiLineString = `<span>
  My name is ${name}!
</span>`; // multiline

// <span>
//   My name is Brendan Eich!
// </span>
```

Template Strings

<code>

Expressions in template strings

```
const active = true;
const name = `Is active: ${active ? 'Yes' : 'No'}!`;
// Is active: Yes!

function isActive() {
    return 'No';
}
const name = `Is active: ${isActive()}!`;
// Is active: No!
```

Objects

Objects



An object is an **unordered** collection of **key-value pairs**.

Objects

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Object creation (equivalent behavior)

```
const a = {};
```

```
const b = new Object();
```

Objects

<code>

Object creation

```
let a = {};
let car = {
  make: 'Ford'
};
```

Objects

<code>

Object property access

```
let car = {  
  make: 'Ford'  
};  
car.model = 'Mustang';  
car['full year'] = 1969;  
  
// {  
//   make: 'Ford',  
//   model: Mustang',  
//   'full year': 1969  
// }
```

Computed Property Names

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Allows you to put an expression in brackets, that will be computed and used as the property name.

```
const param = 'size';
const config = {
  [param]: 12,
  ['mobile' + param.charAt(0).toUpperCase() + param.slice(1)]: 4
};

console.log(config); // {size: 12, mobileSize: 4}
```

Spread Operator

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Super useful to create shallow copies of arrays and objects.

```
// spread function arguments
myFunction(...iterableObj);

// create new arrays or objects
[...array, '4', 'five', 6];
{...obj, four: '5', six: SEVEN };

// create shallow copies
let objClone = { ...obj };
let arrayClone = [...array ];
```

Task

Add types and fix the errors



Functions

Functions - JavaScript

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“First-class citizens”, functions are just expressions

```
const go = function() { alert('Hello JavaScript') };  
  
http.get(url, function() {});
```

Functions - JavaScript

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Functions are also objects

```
const fn1 = function() {
  window.alert('Hello JavaScript');
};
fn1.foo = 'bar';
```

Functions - Types

<code>

Add types to function arguments and return values.

```
function sayHi(firstName: string): void {  
  console.log(firstName);  
}
```

Functions - Optional parameters

<code>

Parameters can be optional. Use a question mark.

```
function buildName(firstName: string, lastName?: string) {  
  if (lastName) {  
    return firstName + ' ' + lastName;  
  } else {  
    return firstName;  
  }  
}
```

Functions - Default parameters

<code>

Function arguments can have defaults for arguments.

```
// type Inference: lastName is a string
function buildName(firstName: string, lastName: string = 'Bond') {
  return firstName + ' ' + lastName;
}
```

Functions - Rest/Spread parameter

<code>

An arbitrary amount of parameters can be stored in an array.

```
function buildName(firstName: string, ...restOfNames: string[]) {  
  
  const allNames = [firstName, ...restOfNames];  
  // names = [firstName, restOfName[0], restOfName[1] ...]  
  
  return allNames.join(' ');  
}
```

Fat Arrow

=>

Functions - Fat-Arrow-Function

<code>

Concept

```
const square = (n) => { return n * n };

// const square = function(n) { return n * n; };
```

Functions - Fat-Arrow-Function (Benefits)

<code>

Implicit return without a block

```
const square = (n) => n * n;  
  
// const square = function (n) { return n * n; };
```

Functions - Fat-Arrow-Function (Benefits)

<code>

Not need of braces around single parameters.

```
const square = n => n * n;  
  
// const square = function (n) { return n * n; };
```

Functions - Fat-Arrow-Function (Benefits)

<code>

Use braces around arguments if you have multiple parameters.

```
const sum = (a, b) => a + b;  
  
// const sum = function (a, b) { return a + b; };
```

Functions - Fat-Arrow-Function

<code>

Use *curly braces* and *return* if you have multiple lines

```
const even = n => {  
  const rest = n % 2;  
  return rest === 0;  
};  
  
// const even = function(n) {  
//   const rest = n % 2;  
//   return rest === 0;  
// };
```

Functions - Fat-Arrow-Function

<code>

Use round braces and *curly braces* if you wanna return an object.

```
const person = () => ({  
  firstName: 'John',  
  lastName: 'Doe',  
});  
  
// const person = function() {  
//   return {  
//     firstName: 'John',  
//     lastName: 'Doe',  
//   };  
// };
```

this

Global context

this - Global context

<code>

Outside of any function, **this** refers to the global object (*window*).

```
this.myTest = 42  
console.log(window.myTest) // 42  
  
this === window // true
```

Function context

Inside a function, the value of this depends on how the function is called.

this - Arrow Functions

<code>

In arrow functions, `this` is set lexically, i.e. it's set to the value of the enclosing execution context's `this`.

```
const outerContext = this
const fatArrowFunction = () => this === outerContext

fatArrowFunction() // ==> true
```

this - In objects

<code>

`this` is set to the object itself.

```
const myObject = {  
    answer: 42,  
    method: function () { return this.answer }  
};
```

```
console.log(myObject.method()); // ==> 42
```

this - In constructors

<code>

When a function is used as a constructor (with the `new` keyword), its `this` is bound to the new object being constructed.

```
function MyConstructor() { this.a = 42 }

const myInstance = new MyConstructor() // this is returned per default

console.log(myInstance.a) // ==> 42
```

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Setting this in functions



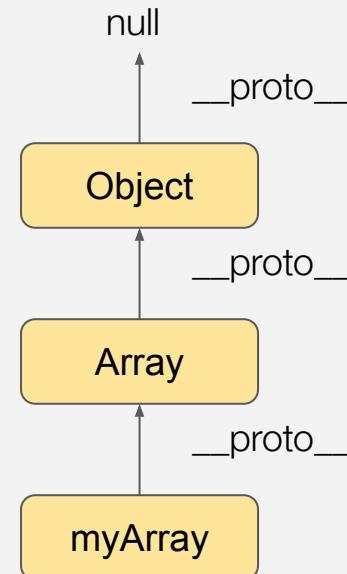
Prototype

Prototype

<code>

Every object has a prototype (`__proto__`).

```
const myArray = new Array();  
  
myArray.__proto__.constructor === Array  
// => true
```



Prototype

<code>

You can inherit properties from objects using `__proto__`.

```
const hamster = {
  eat(food) {
    console.log(`#${this.name}: "Oh ${food}! Nom nom..."`);
  }
};

const speedy = { name: 'speedy', __proto__: hamster };
const lazy = { name: 'lazy', __proto__: hamster };

speedy.eat('a battery'); // speedy: "Oh a battery! Nom nom..."
lazy.eat('a coconut'); // lazy: "Oh a coconut! Nom nom..."
```

Task

Use Fat Arrow Functions



Arrays and Iterables

Arrays

<code>

Arrays are ordered - objects are not!

```
const a = ['a', 'b'];  
  
console.log(a[0]); // a
```

Arrays - Iterators

<code>

With a for and a for...of loop you have the opportunities to **break** or **continue** the loop and exit the surrounding function with **return**.

```
const names = ['Hanni', 'Nanni'];

for (let i = 0; i < names.length; i++) {
    console.log(names[i]);
}

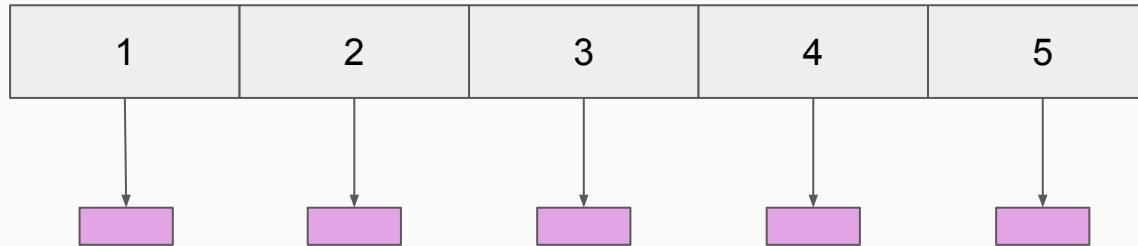
for (let name of names) {
    console.log(name)
}
```

Arrays - Iterators

Array.forEach()

```
const myArray = [1,2,3,4,5];
myArray.forEach(elem => console.log(elem));
```

numbers



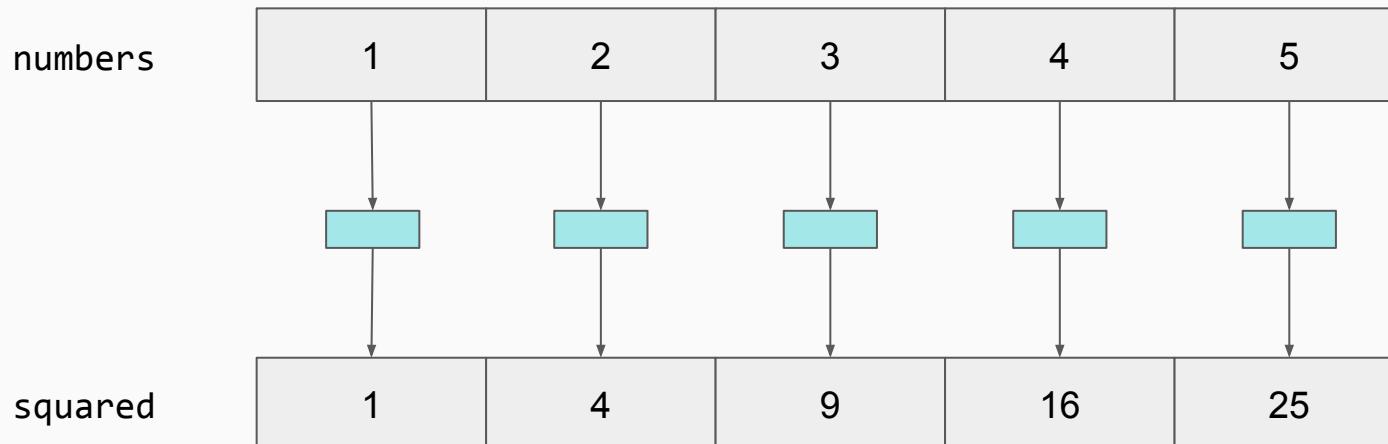
forEach() is slower than using a for loop!

Arrays - Transformations

Array.map()

```
const numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
const squared = numbers.map(num => num * num);
// squared is [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
```

Transforming an array

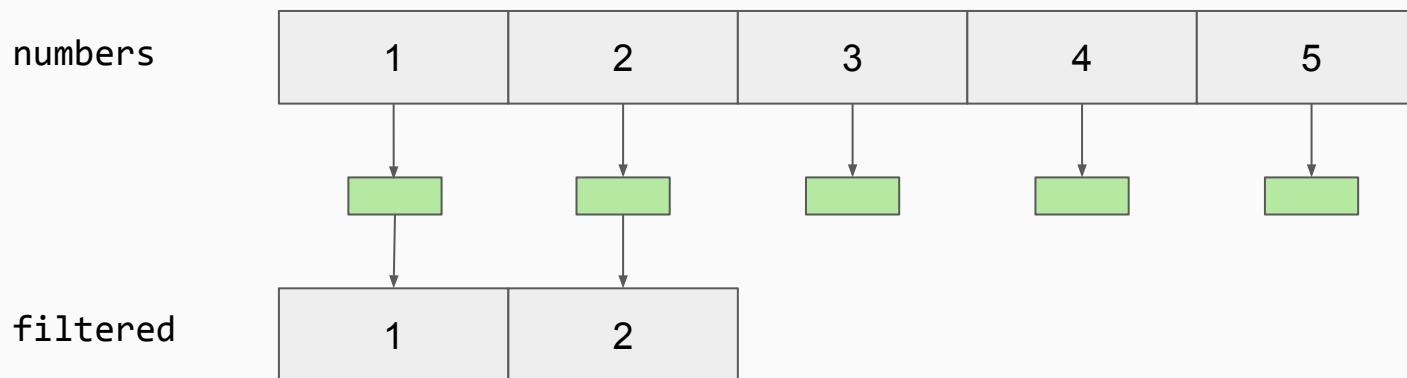


Arrays - Transformations

Array.filter()

```
const numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
const filtered = numbers.filter(num => num < 3);
// filtered is [1, 2]
```

Filtering an array



Destructuring

Destructuring - Objects

<code>

Get multiple local variables from an object with destructuring.

```
const circle = {radius: 10, x: 140, y: 70};

const {x, y} = circle;
// const x = circle.x;
// const y = circle.y;

console.log(x, y)
// => 140, 70
```

Destructuring - Nested Objects

<code>

Access properties from nested objects

```
const circle = {x: 140, y: 70, style: {border: 'dashed'}};  
  
const {x, y, style: {border}} = circle;  
// const x = circle.x;  
// const y = circle.y;  
// const border = circle.style.border;  
  
console.log(border)  
// => 'dashed'
```

Destructuring - Aliasing

<code>

Avoid potential naming collision by aliasing destructured properties

```
const x = 'unrelated x';
const y = 'unrelated y';

const circle = {x: 140, y: 70};

const {x: xAxis, y: yAxis} = circle;
// const xAxis = circle.x;
// const yAxis = circle.y;
```

Destructuring - Arrays

<code>

Get multiple local variables from an object with destructuring.

```
const coords = [51, 6];

const [lat, lng] = coords;
// const lat = coords[0];
// const lng = coords[1];

console.log(lat, lng)
// => 51, 6
```

Destructuring



Task

Use Arrays and Destructuring



HIGHER ORDER FUNCTIONS

A famous concept in functional programming

Higher Order Functions

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#1 Functions that accept a function as parameter

```
http(url, () => {  
  console.log('Ready!');  
});
```

Higher Order Functions

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#2 Functions that return a function

```
const createAdder = () => {
  return (a, b) => {
    return a + b;
  };
};

createAdder()(2, 3);
```

```
const myAdder = createAdder();
myAdder(2, 3);
```

**Not interesting
without closures**

CLOSURES

Closures

<code>

What happens with the variable after the function is terminated?

```
function getNumber() {  
    const myNumber = 13;  
    return myNumber;  
}  
getNumber();
```

Closures

<code>

The result is?

```
const createFunction = () => {
  const localVar = 123;
  const data = [1,2,3,4,5];

  return () => localVar + 10;
};

const addTen = createFunction();
addTen(); // ???
```

Closures

<code>

Functions that “enclose” local variables

```
const createFunction = () => {
  const localVar = 123;
  const data = [1,2,3,4,5];

  return () => {
    return localVar + 10;
  };
};

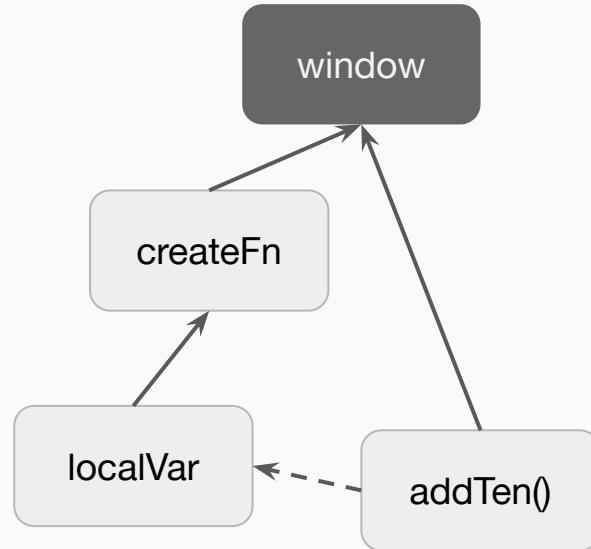
const addTen = createFunction();
addTen(); // 133
```

closure

- The inner function encloses *localVar* because it has read access to *localVar*.
- The **inner anonymous function** is a so-called **closure**.

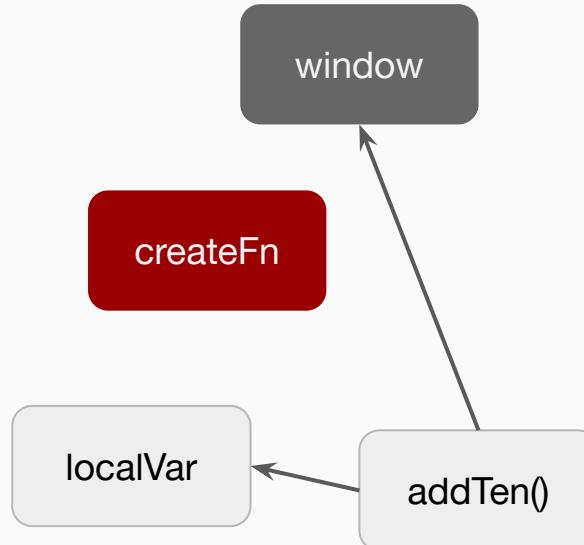
Garbage Collection

```
const createFunction = function() {  
  const localVar = 123;  
  
  return function() {  
    return localVar + 10;  
  };  
};  
  
const addTen = createFunction();  
addTen(); // 133
```



Garbage Collection

- mark & sweep
- reference counting
- elements without refs are garbage collected



Closures

<code>

higher order functions and closures in combination

```
const createLogger = function(loggerName) {
  return function(msg) {
    console.log('[' + loggerName + '] ' + msg);
  };
};

const info = createLogger('INFO');

info('User successfully logged in!');
// [INFO] User successfully logged in!
```

Task Closures in Action



Pure Functions

A **pure function** doesn't depend on and doesn't modify the states of variables out of its scope.

Why Pure Functions?

Why Pure Functions

- Given the same input, will always return the same output
- Doesn't have any side effect
- Easy to unit test
- Simpler, more flexible code

Why Pure Functions

“when you call a pure function, you just need to focus on the return value as you know you didn’t break anything elsewhere doing so.”

<https://www.nicoespeon.com/en/2015/01/pure-functions-javascript/>

Examples

Impure Function - Example #1

<code>

The function modifies something outside of its own scope

```
const values = { a: 1 }

function impureFunction(items) {
  const b = 1

  items.a = items.a * b + 2

  return items.a
}

const c = impureFunction(values)
// Now `values.a` is 3, the impure function modifies it.
```

Impure Function - Example #1

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The function modifies something outside of its own scope

```
const values = { a: 1 }

function impureFunction(items) {
  const b = 1

  items.a = items.a * b + 2

  return items.a
}

const c = impureFunction(values)
// Now `values.a` is 3, the impure function modifies it.
```

Pure Function - Example #1

<code>

The function doesn't modifies anything outside of its own scope

```
const values = { a: 1 }

function pureFunction(a) {
  const b = 1

  a = a * b + 2

  return a
}

const c = pureFunction(values.a)
// `values.a` has not been modified, it's still 1
```

Impure Function - Example #2

<code>

The function depends on something outside of its own scope

```
const values = { a: 1 }
let b = 1

function impureFunction(a) {
  a = a * b + 2

  return a
}

const c = impureFunction(values.a)
// Actually, the value of `c` will depend on the value of `b`.
```

Impure Function - Example #2

<code>

The function depends on something outside of its own scope

```
const values = { a: 1 }
let b = 1

function impureFunction(a) {
  a = a * b + 2

  return a
}

const c = impureFunction(values.a)
// Actually, the value of `c` will depend on the value of `b`.
```

Pure Function - Example #2

<code>

The function doesn't depend on anything outside of its own scope

```
const values = { a: 1 }
let b = 1

function pureFunction(a, c) {
  a = a * c + 2

  return a
}

const c = pureFunction(values.a, b)
// Here it's made clear that the value of `c` will depend on
// the value of `b`. No sneaky surprise behind your back.
```

Classes

Classes in TypeScript

- Code is more readable
- Syntactic sugar over prototype-based inheritance
- Not introducing a new object-oriented inheritance model

Classes in TypeScript

<code>

Class can have a constructor, attributes and methods.

```
class Person {  
    bornOn: Date;  
  
    constructor(name: string) {  
        this.bornOn = new Date();  
    }  
  
    shout(): void { alert('Hello TypeScript!'); }  
}
```

Classes in TypeScript

<code>

Class *attributes* and *methods* can be public or private.

```
class Person {  
    bornOn: Date; // public by default  
  
    public name: string;  
  
    private weight: number;  
}
```

Classes in TypeScript

<code>

Declare a class property from a constructor parameter.

```
class Person {  
    bornOn: Date;  
  
    constructor(public name: string) {  
        this.bornOn = new Date();  
    }  
  
    shout(): void { alert('Hello TypeScript!'); }  
}
```

Classes in TypeScript - Instances

<code>

Create new instances with the *new* keyword.

```
class Person {...}

const john = new Person('John');

john.bornOn; // => a Date object

john.shout(); // => nothing but alerts
```

Classes in TypeScript - Inheritance

<code>

You can inherit from another class. Use super to call the constructor.

```
class Person {  
    constructor(public name: string) {...}  
}  
  
class Employee extends Person {  
    constructor(name: string, public salary: number) {  
        super(name);  
        // ...  
    }  
}
```

[https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/
classes.html](https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/classes.html)

Decorators

How to decorate in ES5

<code>

Decorators, or higher order functions for classes in ES5 are simple

```
function Robot(target) {  
    target.isRobot = true;  
}  
  
function Number5() {...}  
Robot(Number5);  
  
Number5.isRobot; // ==> true
```

How to decorate a ES2015/TS class

<code>

The constructor function can be notated as class

```
function Robot(target) {  
    target.isRobot = true;  
}  
  
class Number5 {...}  
Robot(Number5);  
  
Number5.isRobot; // ==> true
```

But the isRobot call belongs
directly to Number5

How to decorate in ES2018/TS

<code>

The constructor function can be notated as class

```
function Robot(target) {  
    target.isRobot = true;  
}
```

```
@Robot()  
class Number5 {...}
```

```
Number5.isRobot; // ==> true
```

To decorate a class just add
a "@" decorator function above
a class definition.

How to decorate in ES2018/TS

<code>

Since the decorator function is just a function, it can be a Higher Order Function to get configuration parameters.

```
function Robot(roboName) {
  return function(target) {
    target.roboName = roboName;
  }
}

@Robot('Johnny 5')
class Number5 {...}
Number5.roboName; // ==> 'Johnny 5'
```

Modules in JavaScript

Modules - General

- organize code
- split the application into multiple files
- solve a specific problem/deal with a specific topic
- share functionalities between modules

Modules

<code>

Imports and exports

```
// book.ts
export class Book {...}

// bookshelf.ts
import {Book} from "./book";
```

Destructuring!

Named Export

<code>

You can export functions, objects, or primitive values from the module so they can be used by other programs with the import statement.

```
// foo.js
export myFunction;
export const foo = Math.sqrt(2);
export const MY_CONSTANT = 'MY_CONSTANT';

// bar.js
import { myFunction, foo } from 'foo'; // names must match!
```

Default Export

<code>

You can have multiple named exports per module but **only one default export**.

```
// foo1.js
export default class { /* ... */ };

// foo2.js
class MyClass { /* ... */ };
export default MyClass;

// bar.js
import ImportWithAnyName from 'foo1';
import ImportWithAnyOtherName from 'foo2';
```

Renaming

<code>

You can rename an export when importing it.

```
// foo.js
export myValue = 123;

// bar.js
import {myValue as differentName} from 'foo';
```

Import entire module's contents

<code>

This inserts myModule into the current scope, containing all the exports from the module in the file my-module.js.

```
import * as myModule from 'my-module.js';

myModule.importedFunction();
console.log(myModule.IMPORTED_CONSTANT);
```

Import entire module's contents

<code>

You can import default and named exports in one statement.

```
import React, { Component, useState } from 'react';
```

JavaScript Runtime

Execution Model

- **Single Threaded**

A program is executed in *only one thread*.

(Exception: Web Worker)

- **Run-To-Completion**

A program can't get interrupted.

Long running tasks



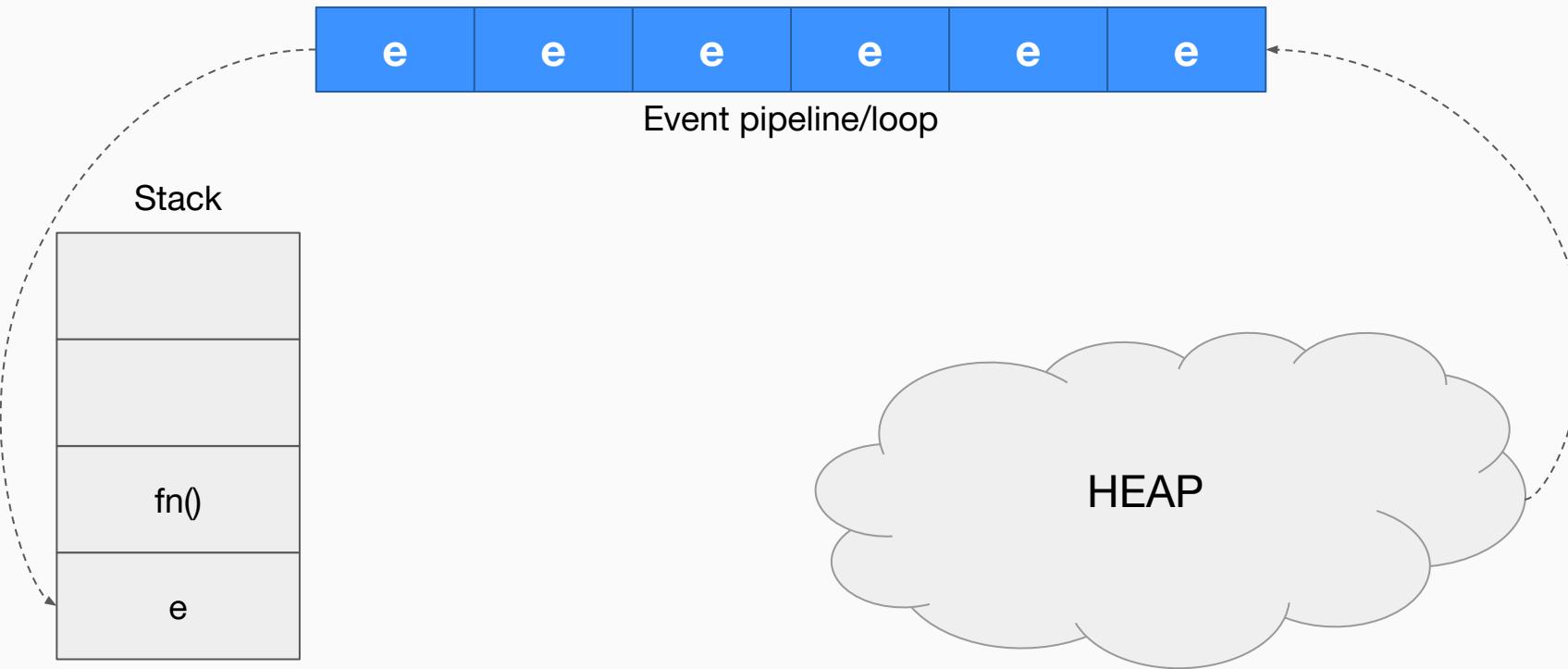
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Execution Model

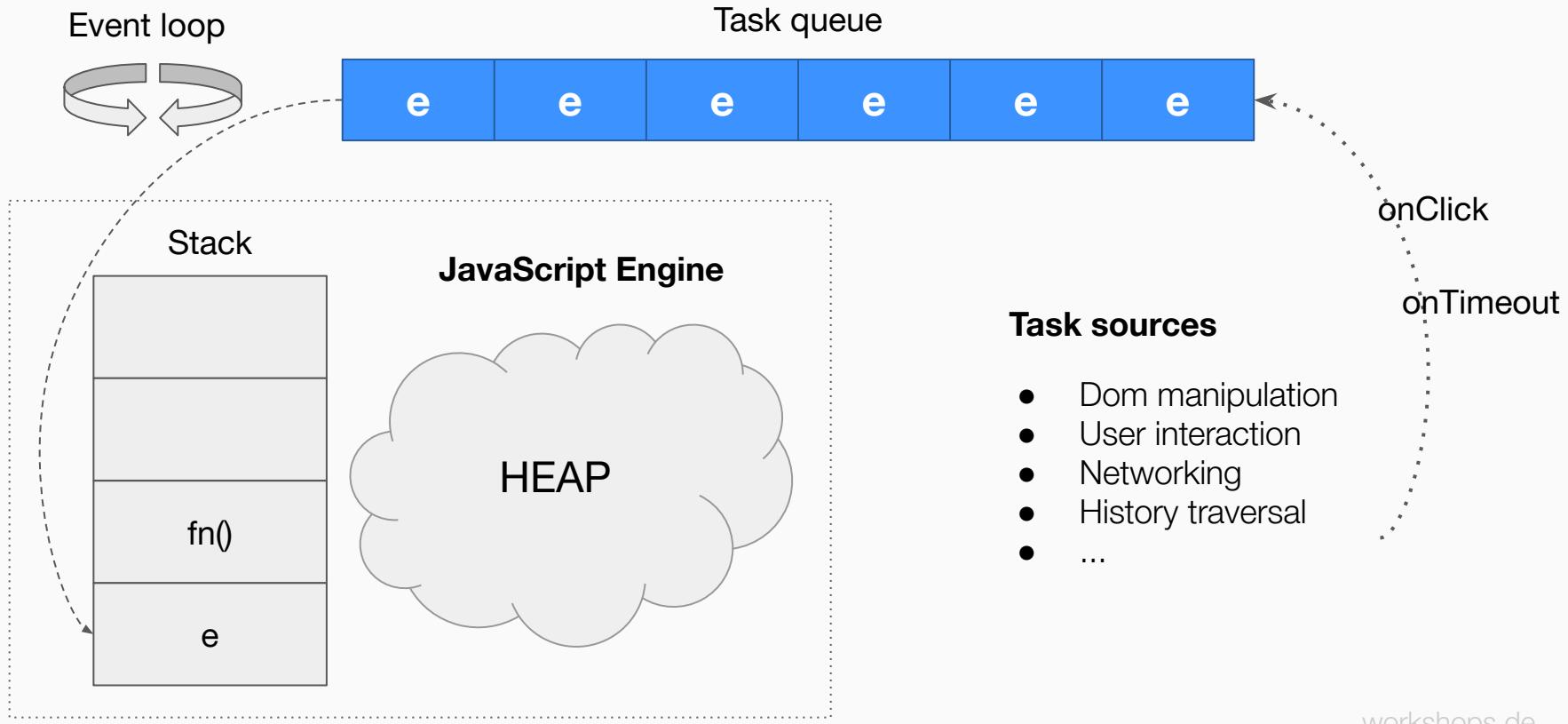


```
while(true) {  
    e = getNextEvent();  
    executeEvent(e);  
}
```

Execution Model



Execution Model



Interfaces

Interfaces

- Type-checking of the shape of values
- Interfaces give a type to these shapes

Interfaces - Without an interface

<code>

You can generate interfaces on the fly.

```
let book: { isbn: string, title: string };
```

```
book = {
  isbn: '978-1593272821',
  title: 'Eloquent JavaScript'
};
```

Interfaces - With an interface

<code>

Give an interface a name and use it as a type for variables.

```
interface Book {  
    isbn: string;  
    title: string;  
}  
  
const book: Book;  
  
book = {  
    isbn: '978-1593272821',  
    title: 'Eloquent JavaScript'  
};
```

Interfaces - Optional properties

<code>

Properties can be optional.

```
interface Book {  
    isbn: string;  
    title: string;  
    pages?: number;  
}
```

Interfaces - Nesting Interfaces

<code>

Interfaces can be nested

```
interface Profile {  
    id: number;  
    gender: string;  
    name: string;  
    pictureUrl?: string;  
    address: {  
        street: string,  
        zipCode: string,  
    }  
    city: string  
}
```

Interfaces - Class types

<code>

Forgetting to implement ngOnInit throws a compile error.

```
interface OnInit {  
    ngOnInit();  
}  
  
class BookListComponent implements OnInit {  
    ngOnInit() {  
    }  
}
```

TypeScript Generics

Generics allows us to define type dependencies
in classes, interfaces and functions by enabling
types to be parameters.

Why we need generics?

- Stronger type checking at compile time
- Create (more) reusable code
- Allow other users of your methods to define their types

TypeScript Generics

<code>

Problem: our generic data structure should push and pop items of the same type

```
class Queue {  
    private data = [];  
    push(item) { this.data.push(item); }  
    pop() { return this.data.shift(); }  
}  
  
const queue = new Queue();  
queue.push(0);  
queue.push("1");  
...  
queue.pop().toPrecision() // Oops a mistake we'll only notice at runtime
```

TypeScript Generics

<code>

We could add an implementation for every type we want to support

```
class QueueNumber extends Queue {
  push(item: number) { this.data.push(item); }
  pop(): number { return this.data.shift(); }
}

const queue = new Queue();
queue.push(0);
queue.push("1"); // ERROR : cannot push a string. Only numbers allowed
```

We want to express the dependence between push and pop; whatever type we push onto the queue it should be the same type that is popped.

How to use a Generic in TypeScript?

TypeScript Generics

<code>

Luckily we can make the type a parameter of our class definition

```
class Queue<T> {
  push(item: T) { this.data.push(item); }
  pop(): T { return this.data.shift(); }
}

const queue = new Queue<number>();
queue.push(0);
queue.push("1"); // ERROR : cannot push a string. Only numbers allowed
```

TypeScript Generics: Constraints

<code>

Constraints can be added to generics via ‘extends’

```
class Queue<T extends Pushable> {  
    push(item: T) { this.data.push(item); }  
    pop(): T { return this.data.shift(); }  
}
```

How to define a generic function?

Generic Functions

<code>

Reverse a list: what gets passed into the function should be of the same type of what gets returned

```
function reverse<T>(items: T[]): T[] {  
    let result = [];  
    for (let i = items.length - 1; i >= 0; i--) {  
        result.push(items[i]);  
    }  
    return result;  
}  
  
const reversed = reverse([3, 2, 1]) // [1, 2, 3]  
// Safety!  
reversed[0] = '1'; // Error!
```

**Stronger type
checking at compile
time**

Generic Interfaces

<code>

```
interface KeyPair<T, U> {  
    key: T;  
    value: U;  
}
```

```
let kv1: KeyPair<number, string> = { key: 1, value: "Steve" }; // OK  
let kv2: KeyPair<number, string> = { key: 1, value: 1234 }; // Error
```

Task

**Create an Interface and
use a generic function**



[https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/
advanced-types.html](https://www.typescriptlang.org/docs/handbook/advanced-types.html)



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