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Hi Istvan,

Sorry for not sending you the notes earlier.

Dear TC39 members, feel free to point out any errors and clear omissions since these notes are very rough at best.

Opt-in versioning?

```
<script type="application/ecmascript; version=5">  
"use strict";  
...  
</script>
```

```
<script type="application/javascript; version=1.9">  
let  
yield  
...  
</script>
```

```
version=preharmony  
  ph1  
  ph2  
ephemeron/name/cacthall
```

Mark: Page level meta tag?
Brendan: We talked about this before

Mike Samuel: Inline code to make sure that using a script by URL/path works:

```
use version harmony
```

This is attractive

Allen: Do we need to add namespacing
Brendan: If we only add a dozen items then we might get away without
Mark: Modules
Cormac: Do we need a way to allow setting a limitation on version per page. The example is that newer versions might add catchalls which changes the security model.
Mark: Another way to tackle this is to document the constraints under which future versions and extensions may extend the language.
Brendan: Use lexical scope for example

Waldemar:

```
{  
  double a;  
  double b;
```

```

...
...
if (a < b) ... true
if (a < b) ... false
if (a < b) ... true
}

```

Brainstorm/discussion about host objects etc

Allen: As long as the ES5 spec is followed and no host objects or extensions are present reading a property is guaranteed to return the last value that was set.

8,9: Object model
Execution model

Mark: make functions be the link to the environment. The objects are native but its methods might be host objects

Brendan: The idea of taming host objects is something we should pursue.

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Promises in E:

```

def r := a.foo(b, c) // sync
def p := a<-foo(b, c) // async, eventually do
def x := when(x, q)->{
... x ... q ...
} catch(ex) { // optional
... ex ...
}

```

```

def p := race([a, b, c, ...])
def p := timeBomb(millis, ex)
def p := race(a<-foo(b, c), timeBomb(3000, 'oops'))

```

```

def p := when(timeOut(3000)) -> {
...
}

```

Brendan: ES next 2-3 years June GA 2012. Feature freeze in May 2011 (20 months). Definitional interpreter

Mark: Ephemeron require new kernel state

Allen: Weak refs as well

Mark: As soon as we introduce visible collection we need to express that

Waldemar/Allen/Mark: That can be done in prose

W: Grammar needs to be tightly integrated

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A: We need a mapping at least

Fresh let or not in for (let i = 0; ...; i++)? Consensus to not get a new var.

Mark:

```
const a = [];  
for (let i = 0; i < 3; i++) {  
  a.push(function() {{ return i * i; }});  
}  
a[0](); // 4
```

Brendan:

```
for (let i in o) {  
  a.push(...)  
}
```

```
for (const i in o) {  
  a.push(...)  
}
```

(for (var i = E in o) {...}) is valid in ES today)

No consensus after all?

Rob:

```
for (let x = []; x.length < 3; x.push(42)) {  
  ...  
}
```

Specify iteration order for ESH

Mark: Generator and finally?

Brendan: This has been solved in Python and Spidermonkey

Mark: return to label?

Brendan: Not without lambdas

Brendan: Maciej objected on the mailing list. Probably due to implementation issues.

Allen: It is easy to implement

Brendan:

```
function gen() {  
  while (...) {  
    try {  
      yield x;  
    } finally {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

a = gen()

```
y = g.next(),  
g.next();  
g.throw(e);
```

Let

```
let x;
```

x is undefined

redeclaration of let should be forbidden

```
for (var k in keys(o))  
for (var v in values(o))  
for each (var x in anIter)
```

Ephemerons

Allen: Adds overhead to the GC since the ephemerons have to be handled in a second pass

