

DECLARATIVE OBJECT AND CLASS ABSTRACTIONS BASED UPON EXTENDED OBJECT INITIALISERS

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Overall Goal

- Enable declarative definition of more object based abstractions
- Build off of Object Initialiser Syntax
- Easier for humans to read, write, understand and maintain
- Easier to mechanically analyze
- Easier to optimize

Object Literal Meta Properties

ES5

```
var obj = Object.preventExtensions(Object.create( someObject,  
  { prop1: {value: expr, writable: true, enumerable: true,  
            configurable: true},  
    prop2: {get: function(){return computeSomeValue()},  
            set: undefined, enumerable: true, configurable: true}  
  }  
));
```

Harmony

```
var obj = {<proto: someObject, closed>,  
  prop1: false,  
  get prop2 function(){return computeSomeValue()},  
};
```

Meta properties: proto:, closed, sealed, frozen, ...

Array Literal Literal Meta Properties

Harmony

```
var arr= [<proto: myProto>, "a",2, false];
```

Creates an object with length property and Array's `[[DefineOwnProperty]]`

Object Literal Method Properties

ES5

```
var obj = Object.create( Object.prototype,  
  { a: {value: 1, writable: true, enumerable: true, configurable: true},  
    b: {value: 2, writable: true, enumerable: true, configurable: true},  
    toString: {value: function () {return ""+(this.a+this.b)} configurable: true},  
  });
```

Harmony

```
var obj = {  
  a: 1,  
  b: 2,  
  method toString () {return ""+(this.a+this.b)}  
};
```

Object Literal Property Modifiers

Orthogonal set of modifiers generate all property attribute combinations

Harmony

```
return {
  p7: 7,           //configurable: true, enumerable: true, writable: true
  p6 const: 6,    //configurable: true, enumerable: true, writable: false
  var p5: 5,      //configurable: true, enumerable: false, writable: true
  var p4 const: 4, //configurable: true, enumerable: false, writable: false
  sealed p3: 3,   //configurable: false, enumerable: true, writable: true
  sealed p2 const: 2, //configurable: false, enumerable: true, writable: false
  sealed var p1: 1, //configurable: false, enumerable: false, writable: true
  sealed var p0 const: 0, //configurable: false, enumerable: false, writable: false

  method m4 () {}, //configurable: true, enumerable: false, writable: false
  sealed method m0 () {}, //configurable: false, enumerable: false, writable: false

  set a3 (v) {}, //configurable: true, enumerable: true
  var get a2 () {}, //configurable: true, enumerable: false
  sealed put a1 (v) {}, //configurable: false, enumerable: true
  sealed var get a2 () {} //configurable: false, enumerable: false
}
```

Object Literal Initialization Blocks

ES5

```
var obj = { a: 1, b: 2 };  
ObjectMonitor.newObjectToMonitor(obj);
```

Harmony

```
var obj = {  
  a: 1,  
  b: 2,  
  {ObjectMonitor.newObjectToMonitor(this);}  
};
```

Private Names in Initialisers

Unique lexically scoped non-textual property names

Harmony

```
var obj;
{
  private a; //privates go at top
  obj = {a:1, b:2};
  print(obj.a) //1
}
print(obj.a) //undefined
print(obj.b) //2
```

Other keyword possibilities:

```
unique a;
define a; //☺☺
```


Declarative Class Initialisers

- Declarative definitions of constructor/prototype/instance triads based upon “class model” used by Chapter 15
- Build off of extended Object Initialiser Syntax
- Both statement and expression forms:

Harmony

```
class A { };
```

```
let B = class {};
```

Declarative Classes: Basic Triad

Harmony

```
class C { };
```

ES5

```
function c() {};  
Object.defineProperty(c, 'prototype',  
    {writable: false, configurable: false});  
Object.defineProperty(c.prototype, 'constructor',  
    {writable: false, configurable: false});
```

Declarative Classes: Constructor body

Harmony

```
class c {  
  new (a,b) { // an object initialiser  
    a : a,  
    b : b,  
    {this.x = somebody(this)}  
  }  
};
```

```
ES5 function c(a,b) {  
  Object.defineProperty(this, "a",  
    {value: a, enumerable: true, writable: true, configurable: true});  
  Object.defineProperty(this, "b",  
    {value: a, enumerable: true, writable: true, configurable: true});  
  (function () {this.x = somebody(this)}).call(this);  
};  
Object.defineProperty(c, 'prototype',  
  {writable: false, configurable: false});  
Object.defineProperty(c.prototype, 'constructor',  
  {writable: false, configurable: false});
```

Declarative Classes: Prototype Inheritance

Harmony

```
class c {  
  <prototype: p>  
};
```

ES5

```
function c() {};  
Object.defineProperty(c, 'prototype',  
  {value: Object.create(p),  
    writable: false, configurable: false});  
Object.defineProperty(c.prototype, 'constructor'  
,  
  {writable: false, configurable: false});
```

Declarative Classes: Class Inheritance

Harmony

```
class D {  
    <superclass: C>  
};
```

ES5

```
function D() {};  
Object.defineProperty(D, 'prototype',  
    {value: Object.create(c.prototype),  
      writable: false, configurable: false});  
Object.defineProperty(D.prototype, 'constructor',  
    {writable: false, configurable: false});
```

And some other things ...

Declarative Classes: Prototype Properties

Harmony

```
class c {  
  method m() {return this.a+this.x}  
  new (a) {  
    a : a,  
    {this.x = somebody(this)}  
  }  
};
```

```
ES5 function c(a,b) {  
  Object.defineProperty(this,"a",  
    {value: a,enumerable: true, writable: true, configurable: true});  
  (function () {this.x = somebody(this)}).call(this);  
};  
Object.defineProperty(c,'prototype',  
  {writable: false, configurable: false});  
Object.defineProperty(c.prototype,'constructor',  
  {writable: false, configurable: false});  
Object.defineProperty(c.prototype,'m',  
  {value: function () {return this.a+this.x}, writable: false,  
    enumerable: false, configurable: true});
```

Declarative Classes: Constructor Properties

Harmony

```
class c {
  class method cm(a,x) {return a.a+x.b}
  new (a) {
    a : a,
    {this.x = somebody(this)}
  }
};
```

```
ES5 function c(a,b) {
  Object.defineProperty(this,"a",
    {value: a,enumerable: true, writable: true, configurable: true});
  (function () {this.x = somebody(this)}).call(this);
};
Object.defineProperty(c,'prototype',
  {writable: false, configurable: false});
Object.defineProperty(c.prototype,'constructor',
  {writable: false, configurable: false});
Object.defineProperty(c,'cm',
  {value: function (a,x) {return a+x.x}, writable: false,
    enumerable: false, configurable: true});
```

Declarative Classes: Freezing, Sealing, etc.

Harmony

```
class D {  
  <superclass: C, frozen>,  
  new (a) {  
    <closed>,  
    a : a,  
    {this.x = somebody(this)}  
  }  
};
```


Declarative Classes: Super Initialization

Harmony

```
class D {  
    <superclass: C>,  
    new (a,b) {  
        super new(a),  
        b : b,  
        {this.x = somebody(this)}  
    }  
};
```

Calls super class' constructor code on subclass instance. Includes create and initializing super class instance properties.

Declarative Classes: Super Method Calls

Harmony

```
class D {  
    <superclass: C>,  
    method validate() {  
        super.validate();  
        ...  
    }  
};
```

ES5

```
function validate() {  
    C.prototype.validate();  
    ...  
}
```

Class declaration solves static binding of super lookup start point

Declarative Classes: Unique property names

Harmony

```
class D {  
    private m, //class scope  
    method m() {this.m();},  
    class method m(obj) {obj.m()},  
    new (a) {  
        private n, // instance scope  
        method m() {super.m()},  
        n : 0,  
        method x() {D.m(this.n)}  
    }  
};
```

Another Chapter 15 Concept

- Encapsulated per instance state:
 - `[[PrimitiveVale]]`
 - `[[TargetFunction]]`
 - `[[BoundThis]]`
 - `[[Scope]]`

Instance Variable

- Non-property per instance state, name/value pairs
 - Not accessible using `.` or `[]`
 - Not reflected
 - Not trapped to proxies
 - Not enumerated
- Accessed via special syntax and lexically scoped private names.
 - `@name //RHS`
 - `obj@name //RHS`
 - `{@name: init} //declarative definition`
 - `@name = //imperative LHS definition (in constructor)`
 - `@name = //LHS anywhere`
- Instance variable set closed after construction

Declarative Classes: Instance Variables

Harmony

```
class D {
  private iv1, //class private
  method m() {return @iv1},
  class method m(obj) {obj@iv1()},
  new (a) {
    private iv2, // instance private
    @iv1: 0, //declared inst var
    method x(obj) {
      return @iv2+obj@iv2},
    {@iv2 = Math.random(),
      //imperative inst var creation
    }
  }
};
```

