



## @@new experiments

## 1-F.p.@@new.js

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1 // The @@new function is a possible alternative to the [[Construct]] internal method
2 // that might make it easier to distinguish "called as function" and "called as constructor" behaviors.
3
4 //The default definition of @@new would be inherited by all functions that don't explicitly over-ride it.
5 //The default @@new behavior is exactly the same as the ordinary function [[Construct]] internal method
6 //but it can be over-riden by JS programmers.
7
8 //@@new may be an alternative to @@create, or it might be used in conjunction with @@create
9 //Names roughly correspond to ES6 abstract operations with the same name.
10
11 Function.prototype[Symbol.new] = function (...args) {
12   //create
13   let proto = this.prototype; //this would normally be a constructor/class.
14   if ($Type(proto) !== "Object") proto = Object.prototype;
15   let obj = Object.create(proto);
16   //if @@create remains available, the above three lines could be replaced by: let obj=this[Symbol.create]();
17   //initialize
18   let result = this.apply(result, args);
19   if ($Type(result) !== "Object") return obj ;
20   return result;
21 }
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## 2-F.p.@@new.md

Here is the spectalk definition of the default @@new

1. Let F be the this value.
2. If Type(F) is not Object, then throw a TypeError exception.
3. Let obj be OrdinaryCreateFromConstructor(F, "%ObjectPrototype%").
4. ReturnIfAbrupt(obj).
5. Assert: Type(obj) is Object.
6. Let result be the result of calling the [[Call]] internal method of F, providing obj and argumentsList as the arguments.
7. ReturnIfAbrupt(result).
8. If Type(result) is Object then return result.
9. Return obj.

## 3-subclasses.js

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1 //the following examples all deal with classes whose instances are ordinary objects
2 //another set of examples explores patterns for classes whose instances are exotic objects.
3
4 //JS programmer are widely familiar with using constructors to initialize instances.
5 //We want to preserve that familiar pattern, as much as possible.
6
7 // a simple class whose constructor is used to initialize instances
8 class Foo {
9   constructor() {
10     this.x=0; //new Foo creates an object with a 'x' property
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11 }
12 }
13
14 //a subclass whose constructor hows both inherited and local initialization
15 class Bar extends Foo {
16   constructor() {
17     super();
18     this.y=1; //new Bar creates an object with 'x' and 'y' properties
19   }
20 }
21
22 //a subclass that uses its constructor as both a factory function and an initializer.
23 //Things start getting messy
24 class Baz extends Bar {
25   constructor() {
26     if (this===undefined) { //test probably inadequate
27       // called as a factory function
28       return new Baz;
29     }
30     //called as an initializing construtor
31     super();
32     this.z=2; //new Baz creates an object with 'x' 'y' 'z' properties
33   }
34 }
35
36 //alternatively, we might simplify the constructor by making it exclusively a factory function
37 // and moving initialization to a @@new method. but this is also messy
38 class Baz2 extends Bar {
39   constructor() {
40     if (this===undefined) return new Baz2; // Baz2() call case
41   }
42   static [Symbol.new] () {
43     let obj = super(); //note will call our constructor but it does nothing because this != undefined
44     //so we needs to explicitly call Bar constructor
45     Bar.call(obj);
46     obj.z=2;
47     return obj; //new Baz2 creates an object with 'x' 'y' 'z' properties
48   }
49 }
50
51 // Baz Alternative 1 is easy to further subclass, using normal constructor initialization
52 class BazSub extends Baz {
53   constructor(){
54     super(); //won't trip the Baz factory test
55     this.q = 3; //new BazSub creates an object with 'x' 'y' 'z' 'q' properties
56   }
57 }
58
59 // Baz Alternative 2 is harder to subclass correctly
60 //There are a couple alternative approaches
61 //the first sub alterantive restores constructor initializaiton behavior
62 class BazSub2a extends Baz2 {
63   constructor(){
64     //it would be wrong to super() here, because it would invoke Baz2 factory
65     this.q = 3; //new BazSub2a creates object with 'x' 'y' 'z' 'q' properties, assuming @@new is over-riden as follow
66   }
67   static [Symbol.new] () {
68     let obj = super(); //allocates object and calls Bar constructor on it
69     //and restore default constructor initialization call behavior
70     let result = this.apply(obj, args);
71     if ($Type(result) !== "Object") return obj ;
72     return result; //object from constructor with 'x' 'y' 'z' 'q' properties
73   }
74 }
75
76 //the second sub alterantive continues to do subclass initialization into the subclass @@new

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77 class BazSub2b extends Baz2 {
78   constructor(){
79     //it would be wrong to super() here, because it would invoke Baz2 factory
80     throw new TypeError("invalid subclass, extend via @@new method"); // just in case somebody super() calls us
81   }
82   static [Symbol.new] () {
83     let obj = super();
84     obj.q = 3;
85     return obj; //new BazSub2b creates an object with 'x' 'y' 'z' 'q' properties
86   }
87 }
88
89 //In general, trying do use constructors as factory functions seriously complicates subclassing and probably should
90 //be avoided in new class definitions. But most legacy ES built-ins have constructors with factory function behavior
91 //and these sorts of issues have to be consider to make them usefully subclassable.
92
93 //At least for the above examples, using @@new seems to complicate creating subclasses when constructor factory funtrions
94 //are involved.
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#### 4-proxysubclass.js

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1 //class that have exotic objects as instances
2
3 //using @@new to allocated exotic instances
4 class P {
5   constructor ( ) {
6     this.x=1;
7   }
8   static [Symbol.new](...args){
9     //create copied from Function.prototype[Symbol.new]
10    let proto = this.prototype;
11    if ($Type(proto) !== "Object") proto = Object.prototype;
12    let obj = Object.create(proto); //the target for the proxy
13    //let result = this.apply(result, args);
14    obj = Proxy(obj, handler); //create a Proxy for the target
15    //initialize copied from Function.prototype[Symbol.new]
16    let result = this.apply(obj, args); //call constructor with the Proxy as the this vlaue
17    if ($Type(result) !== "Object") return obj ;
18    return result;
19  }
20 }
21
22 //alternative 1, using @@create as currently in ES6
23 class P1 {
24   constructor ( ) {
25     this.x=1;
26   }
27   static [Symbol.create](){
28     let obj = super[Symbol.create]();
29     return Proxy(obj, handler);
30   }
31 }

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#### 5-Object-class.js

```

1 //Defining Object as a class using @@new
2
3
4 class Object extends null {
5   constructor (...args) {
6     return new Object(...args);
7   }
8   static [Symbol.new] (value) {
9     if (value == null) return new super;
10    if (typeof value == "boolean") return new Boolean(value);

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11     if (typeof value == "number") return new Number(value);
12     if (typeof value == "string") return new String(value);
13     if (typeof value == "symbol") return $ToObject(value);
14     return value;
15 }
16 }
17

```

#### 6-Object.js

```

1 //handwired Object using @@new
2
3 function Object(...args) {
4     return new Object(...args)
5 }
6
7 Object.prototype = Object.create(null);
8 Object.prototype.constructor = Object;
9 Object.prototype[Symbol.new] = function(value) {
10     if (value == null) return new super;
11     if (typeof value == "boolean") return new Boolean(value);
12     if (typeof value == "number") return new Number(value);
13     if (typeof value == "string") return new String(value);
14     if (typeof value == "symbol") return $ToObject(value);
15     return value;
16 }

```

#### 7-Number-class.js

```

1 class Number {
2     constructor (...args) {
3         if (args.length === 0) return +0;
4         return +args[0];
5     }
6     static [Symbol.new] (...args) {
7         let n = args.length === 0 ? +0 : +args[0];
8         return $CreateWithSlots(this,["[[NujmberData]]"], [n])
9     }

```

#### Set.js

```

1 //exploring defining Set, with and without @@new
2 //A objet with a private slot needs to be allowed as the Set instance
3 //Note that is both alternatives, the private slote is initailized before
4 //the instance is exposed to constructor code.
5
6 class Set {
7     constructor (iterable) {
8         if (iterable != null)
9             for (let e of iterable) this.add(e);
10    }
11    static [Symbol.new] (...args) {
12        let obj = $CreateWithSlots(this,["[[SetData]]"], [undefined]);
13        $setNewSetData(obj);
14        //initialize, copied from default @@new
15        let result = this.apply(result, args);
16        if ($Type(result) !== "Object") return obj ;
17        return result;
18    }
19 }
20
21 //or using @@create
22 class Set {
23     constructor (iterable) {
24         if (iterable != null)
25             for (let e of iterable) this.add(e);

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```
26 }
27 static [Symbol.create] ( ) {
28     let obj = $CreateWithSlots(this,["[[SetData]]", [undefined]);
29     $setNewSetData(obj);
30     return obj;
31 }
32 }
```