

Day 13, Today's Topic

Spread Operators

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Day 13: Spread Operator

Just like the `Rest`, `Spread Operator` is also a kind of syntactic sugar.

Again, I have seen many people get confused between rest and spread, maybe because they have the same syntax.

But if we think about it, there is nothing to get confused about, rest and spread are the opposites of each other, explaining in a simple language -

- `Rest` is used to gather elements together, in other words, binding them together at one place
- `Spread` allows us to spread the elements/list

Let's have a look at an example where we need to do something which is the opposite of what `Rest` does, and then we will have a look at the syntax.

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Example 1

****Given an array of numbers, find the maximum among them****

Since we are learning about the `spread` operator, of course I will not do this question by the normal for loop method, so let's have a look at the `Math.max` method.

****Syntax:****

```
```js
 Math.max(n1, n2, n3, ... , nX)
```
```

So, this method takes in n arguments and returns the maximum amongst them.

As you might have guessed, we need to do something opposite of the `rest parameters`. `Spread` comes to our rescue.

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Syntax of `spread`

As I told above, the syntax of `spread` is same as the syntax of rest

```
```js
... array
```
```

Which will take out the elements of the `array`

Example

```
```js
let arr = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
console.log (... arr); // 1 2 3 4 5
console.log (arr); // [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```
```

I hope now you are clear with the concept of spread, so try out the above example yourself and then see the solution

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Solution to the max element problem

```
```js  
/**
 * Given an array of numbers,
 * find the maximum among them
 */

const numbers = [4, 13, 15, 20, 5, 9, 10];

const maxNumber = Math.max (... numbers);

console.log (maxNumber);
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Spread can be used at many places

Example 2

****Duplicate the given array****

To duplicate a given array, many people directly do something like this

```
~~~
var arr2 = arr1;
~~~
```

This can cause some trouble since it isn't actually duplicating your array, but rather it creates a reference to arr1. Let's see what happens -

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/**
 * Duplicate the given array
 */

let arr1 = [ 1, 2, 3 ];

// Let's try to assign arr2 directly
let arr2 = arr1;
console.log ("/* ==== Before Modifying Arr1 ==== */");
console.log ("Arr1: ", arr1); // [1, 2, 3]
console.log ("Arr2: ", arr2); // [1, 2, 3]

// What's the problem?
// Try to modify arr1 now
arr1.push (4);
console.log ("/* ==== After Modifying Arr1 ==== */");
console.log ("Arr1: ", arr1); // [1, 2, 3, 4]
console.log ("Arr2: ", arr2); // [1, 2, 3, 4]

// What exactly happened here?
// Since arr2 was a reference to the value of arr1, arr2 also got changed
// In real projects, we might not want the value of other array to change.
// So here's one of the possible solutions

let arr3 = [ ...arr1 ];
// Here, the spread operator takes out the elements from array 1,
// And then we form a new array out of those values
console.log ("/* ==== Before Modifying Arr1 ==== */");
console.log ("Arr1: ", arr1); // [1, 2, 3, 4]
console.log ("Arr2: ", arr2); // [1, 2, 3, 4]
console.log ("Arr3: ", arr3); // [1, 2, 3, 4]

// Now let's try to modify things again
arr1.push (5);
console.log ("/* ==== After Modifying Arr1 ==== */");
console.log ("Arr1: ", arr1); // [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
console.log ("Arr2: ", arr2); // [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
console.log ("Arr3: ", arr3); // [1, 2, 3, 4]
// As you can noticed, arr3 did not change with arr1, which solves our problem,

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Example 3

****Given the shopping list of day1 and day2, form a new list with first element "Combined" and then combine the lists of day1 and day2****

We can do something like this

```
```js
let day1 = ["peas", "watermelon"];
let day2 = ["mushroom", "banana"];
let combined = ["combined", day1, day2];
```
```

But there's a little problem here, you will see the output is a multi dimensional array -

```
```js
combined → ["combined", ["peas", "watermelon"],
 ["mushroom", "banana"]];
```
```

Try to solve this problem using the spread operator.

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Solution to the shopping list problem

```
```js  
let day1 = ["peas", "watermelon"];
let day2 = ["mushroom", "banana"];

let combined = ["combined", ... day1, ... day2];

console.log (combined);
```
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