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**"JavaScript will be the most effective method to connect HTML-based content to Java applets.**

**- Bill Joy, co-founder Sun**

<https://web.archive.org/web/20070916144913/http://wp.netscape.com/newsref/pr/newsrelease67.html>

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**"ECMAScript was always an unwanted trade name that sounds like a skin disease.**

- Brendan Eich, creator of JavaScript

[https://mail.mozilla.org/pipermail/es-discuss/  
2006-October/000133.html](https://mail.mozilla.org/pipermail/es-discuss/2006-October/000133.html)

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**August 1998** ES2, to align with ISO/IEC 16262

**December 1999** ES3, added regex, try/catch and more

**July 2008** ~~ES4, Abandoned due to complexity~~

**December 2009** ES5, strict mode, JSON, get/set, and more

**June 2011** ES5.1, to align with ISO/IEC 16262 3rd edition

**June 2015** ES6/ES2015, a lot of stuff!

**2016** ES2016, not lot of stuff!

# The TC39 process

AKA. bunch of white guys



# The TC39 process

## ***Stage 0: Strawman***

Free-form ideas, reviewed in TC39 meetings

## ***Stage 1: Proposal***

Formally accepted proposal

## ***Stage 2: Draft***

Has description of syntax and semantics

## ***Stage 3: Candidate***

Spec text complete, has at least 2 implementations

## ***Stage 4: Finished***

Ready for standard, passes unit tests

# **ECMAScript 2016**

# **ECMA-262 7th edition**

The ECMAScript® 2016 Language Specification



Following slides will mostly contain  
code

# **Exponentiation Operator**

```
x ** y  
Math.pow(x, y);
```

```
const squared = 2 ** 2;  
// same as 2 * 2
```

```
let cubed = 3;  
cubed *= 3;  
// same as cubed = 3 * 3 * 3
```

# Exponentiation Operator



# **Array.prototype.includes**

```
['a', 'b', 'c'].index0f('a') >= 0; // true  
['a', 'b', 'c'].index0f('d') >= 0; // false
```

```
['a', 'b', 'c'].includes('a'); // true  
['a', 'b', 'c'].includes('d'); // false
```

```
['a', 'b', NaN].indexOf(NaN) >= 0; // false
```

```
['a', 'b', NaN].includes(NaN); // true
```

```
[ , , ].indexOf(undefined) >= 0; // false
```

```
[ , , ].includes(undefined); // true
```

Wait? includ  
y not contains?

# Array.prototype.includes



# **ECMA-262 8th edition**

The ECMAScript® 2017 Language Specification

Not really...

## ***Stage 4: Finished***

Ready for standard, passes unit tests

- Object.values/Object.entries
- String padding
- Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors()
- Async functions
- Trailing commas in function parameter lists and calls

<https://github.com/tc39/proposals/blob/master/finished-proposals.md>

# **Object.values / Object.entries**

```
const obj = { name: 'Paul', age: 30 };
```

```
const keys = Object.keys(obj);  
// ['name', 'age']
```

```
const values = Object.values(obj);  
// ['Paul', 30]
```

```
const entries = Object.entries(obj);  
// [['name', 'Paul'], ['age', 30]]
```

```
for (let [key,value] of Object.entries(obj)) {  
    console.log(` ${key}: ${value}`);  
}
```

```
// 'name': 'Paul'  
// 'age': 30
```

# Object.values / Object.entries



# String padding

\*insert left-pad joke\*

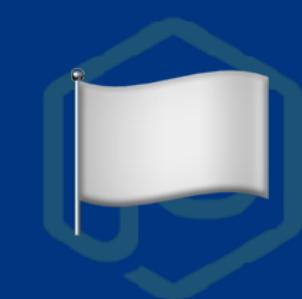
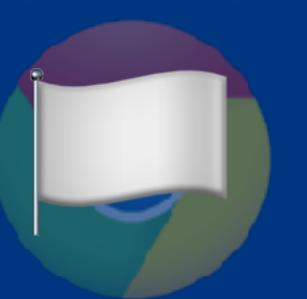
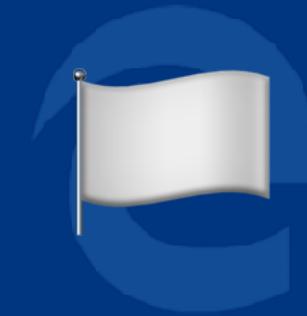
```
'1'.padStart(3, '0');  
// '001'
```

```
'1'.padEnd(3, '0');  
// '100'
```

```
'TakeOff'.padEnd(13, 'Conf');  
// 'TakeOffConfCo'
```

```
'foo'.padStart(8);  
// '     foo'
```

# String padding



# **Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors()**

```
const obj = {
  [Symbol('foo')]: 123,
  get bar() { return 'abc' },
};

console.log(Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors(obj));
```

```
/*
{
  [Symbol('foo')]: {
    value: 123,
    writable: true,
    enumerable: true,
    configurable: true
  },
  bar: {
    get: [Function: bar],
    set: undefined,
    enumerable: true,
    configurable: true
  }
}
```

# 1. Copying properties into an object

```
const o1 = { a: 1 };
const o2 = { b: 2 };

Object.assign(o1, o2);

console.log(o1);
// { a: 1, b: 2 }
```

# 1. Copying properties into an object

```
const source = {
    set foo(value) { console.log(value); }
};

console.log(Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(source, 'foo'));
// { get: undefined,
//   set: [Function: foo],
//   enumerable: true,
//   configurable: true }

const target = {};
Object.assign(target, source);

console.log(Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(target, 'foo'));
// { value: undefined,
//   writable: true,
//   enumerable: true,
//   configurable: true }
```

# 1. Copying properties into an object

```
const source = {
  set foo(value) {
    console.log(value);
  }
};

const target = {};
Object.defineProperties(
  target,
  Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors(source)
);

console.log(Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(target, 'foo'));
// { get: undefined,
//   set: [Function: foo],
//   enumerable: true,
//   configurable: true }
```

## 2. Cloning objects

```
const obj = {  
  [Symbol('foo')]: 123,  
  get bar() { return 'abc' },  
};  
  
const clone = Object.create(  
  Object.getPrototypeOf(obj),  
  Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors(obj)  
);
```

# Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors()



# **Async functions**

```
doWork();
console.log('working');

// 'working'
```

```
function doWork() {  
    console.log('start');  
  
}  
  
doWork();  
console.log('working');  
// 'start'  
// 'working'
```

```
function doSomethingAsync(callback) {  
}  
  
function doWork() {  
    console.log('start');  
    doSomethingAsync();  
}  
  
doWork();  
console.log('working');  
// 'start'  
// 'working'
```

```
function doSomethingAsync(callback) {
  if (typeof callback === 'function') {
    setTimeout(function () {
      callback('something');
    }, 1000);
  }
}

function doWork() {
  console.log('start');
  doSomethingAsync(function (value) {
    console.log(value);
  });
}

doWork();
console.log('working');
// 'start'
// 'working'
// 'something'
```

```
function doSomethingAsync() {
  return new Promise(function (resolve, reject) {
    setTimeout(function () {
      resolve('something');
    }, 1000);
  });
}

function doWork() {
  console.log('start');
  doSomethingAsync().then(function (value) {
    console.log(value);
  });
}

doWork();
console.log('working');
// 'start'
// 'working'
// 'something'
```

```
function doSomethingAsync() {
    return new Promise(function (resolve, reject) {
        setTimeout(function () {
            resolve('something');
        }, 1000);
    });
}

async function doWork() {
    console.log('start');
    var value = await doSomethingAsync();
    console.log(value);
}

doWork();
console.log('working');
// 'start'
// 'working'
// 'something'
```

```
function doSomethingAsync() {
  return new Promise(function (resolve, reject) {
    setTimeout(function () {
      resolve('something');
    }, 1000);
  });
}

async function doWork() {
  console.log('start');
  var value = await doSomethingAsync();
  console.log(value);
  value += await doSomethingAsync();
  console.log(value);
}

doWork();
console.log('working');
// 'start'
// 'working'
// 'something'
// 'somethingsomething'
```

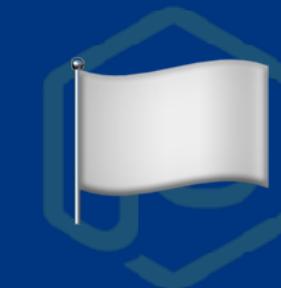
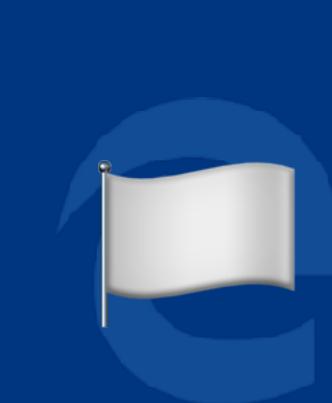
```
function doSomethingAsync() {
    return new Promise(function (resolve, reject) {
        setTimeout(function () {
            reject('you failed! hah!');
        }, 1000);
    });
}

async function doWork() {
    console.log('start');
    var value;
    try {
        value = await doSomethingAsync();
    } catch (e) {
        value = 'error: ' + e.message;
    }
    console.log(value);
}

doWork();
console.log('working');
// 'start'
// 'working'
// 'you failed! hah!'
```

[https://ponyfoo.com/articles/  
understanding-javascript-async-await](https://ponyfoo.com/articles/understanding-javascript-async-await)

# Async functions



# **Trailing commas in function parameter lists and calls**

# Trailing commas in objects and arrays

```
let obj = {  
    first: 'Jane',  
    last: 'Doe',  
};  
  
let arr = [  
    'red',  
    'green',  
    'blue',  
];  
console.log(arr.length); // 3
```

# In function parameter lists and calls

```
function foo(  
    param1,  
    param2,  
) {}
```

```
foo(  
    'abc',  
    'def',  
) ;
```

# Trailing commas in function parameter lists and calls

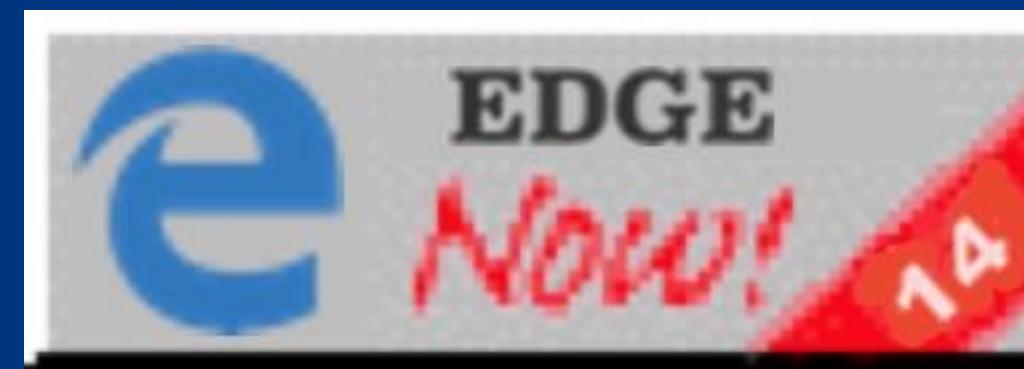


## ***Stage 3: Candidate***

Spec text complete, has at least 2 implementations

- SIMD.JS - SIMD APIs + polyfill
- Function.prototype.toString revision
- Lifting Template Literal Restriction
- global
- Rest/Spread Properties
- Asynchronous Iteration

# Edge is pretty awesome 😊



COMPAT ES ECMAScript 5 6 next intl non-standard compatibility table

Sort by Engine types ▾ Show obsolete platforms □ Show unstable platforms ✓

V8 SpiderMonkey JavaScriptCore Chakra Other  
Minor difference (1 point) Useful feature (2 points) Significant feature (4 points)  
Landmark feature (8 points)

**2016 features**

- [exponentiation \(\\*\\* operator](#)
- [Array.prototype.includes](#)

**2016 misc**

- [generator functions can't be used with "new"](#)
- [generator throw\(\) caught by inner generator](#)
- [strict fn w/ non-strict non-simple params is error](#)
- [nested rest destructuring, declarations](#)
- [nested rest destructuring, parameters](#)
- [Proxy, "enumerate" handler removed](#)
- [Proxy internal calls, Array.prototype.includes](#)

**2017 features**

- [Object.values](#)
- [Object.entries](#)
- [Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors](#)
- [String padding](#)

**2017 misc**

- [class extends null](#)
- [Proxy "ownKeys" handler, duplicate keys for non-](#)

<http://kangax.github.io/compat-table/esnext/>

**Status:** <https://github.com/tc39/ecma262>  
**Specs:** <https://tc39.github.io/ecma262/>

<https://ponyfoo.com/>

<http://www.2ality.com/>

**Let's stop calling it 'ECMAScript x'  
and start call it JavaScript again!**



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