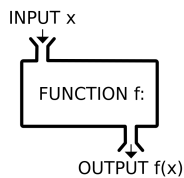


TypeScript Functions (& Lambdas)



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Topics Covered

- Methods vs. standalone functions
- **Function as a type**
- Anonymous and “fat” [arrow functions](#) (lambdas)
- High-Order Functions
 - Functions that take another function as input parameter
- Array manipulation functions

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Important Takeaway Concept #1:
JS & TS allow variables of type Function



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Important Takeaway Concept #2:
JS & TS variables can hold either data or code



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Three variations of Function Declarations

```
function plus2 (a:number, b:number): number {  
  return a + b;  
}
```

named

```
const plus2 = function (a:number, b:number): number {  
  return a + b;  
}
```

anonymous func

```
const plus2 = (a:number, b:number) : number => {  
  return a + b;  
}
```

lambda function

Any of these function declarations
can be invoked using ONE syntax:

```
let out:number;  
out = plus2(5.0, 2.9);
```

Vars of "function" type

typeless AND 1-line return contraction

```
const plus2 = (a, b) => a + b
```

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Fat Arrow fns: single-line return contraction

```
const plusTwo = (a:number, b:number) : number => {  
  const sum = a + b;  
  return sum;  
}
```

```
const plusTwo = (a:number, b:number) : number => {  
  return a + b;  
}
```

If "return" is the only statement of a fat arrow func

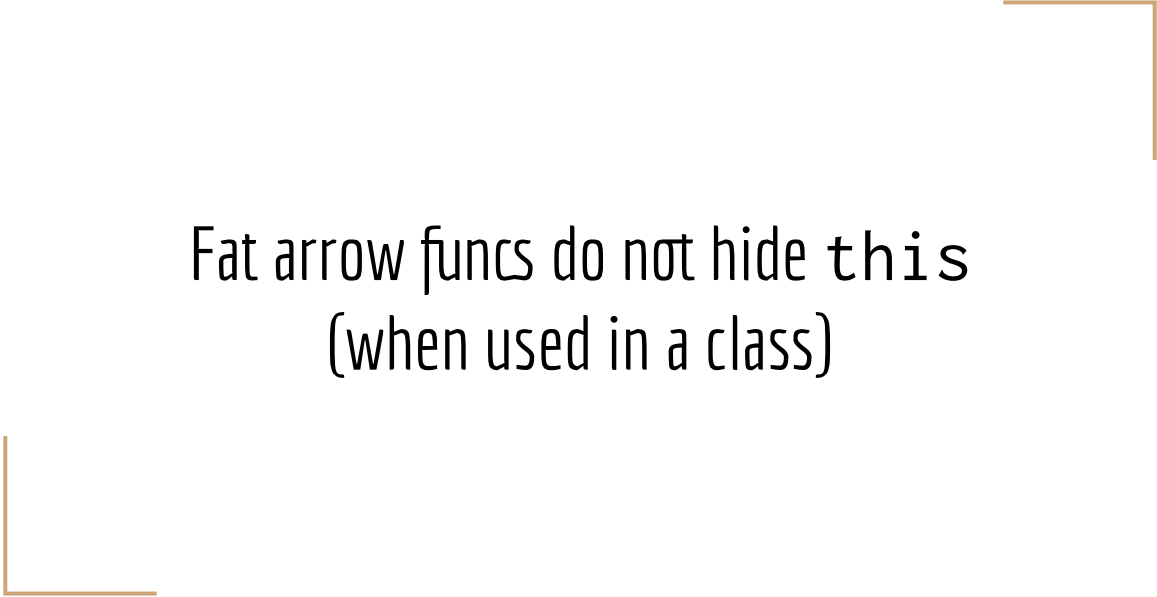
```
const plusTwo = (a:number, b:number) : number => a + b;  
const plusTwo = (a,b) => a + b; // typeless
```

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VSCode Demo / [Replit Playground](#)

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Fat arrow funcs do not hide `this`
(when used in a class)

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Variables of func type

```
const plus20 = "+20";  
const plus22 = { positive: true, value: 22 }
```

plus20 and plus22 are variables that hold your DATA

```
const plus2 = function (a:number, b:number): number {  
  return a + b;  
}  
  
const plusTwo = (a:number, b:number) : number => {  
  return a + b;  
}
```

```
console.log(typeof plus20); // string  
console.log(typeof plus22); // object
```

```
console.log(typeof plus2); // function  
console.log(typeof plusTwo); // function
```

plus2 and plusTwo are variables that hold your CODE

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Functions as Arguments (to another Fn)

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Array.sort()

```
const atoms = ["Neon", "Iron", "Calcium", "Hydrogen"]
console.log(atoms.sort()) // ["Calcium", "Hydrogen", "Iron", "Neon"]

const primes = [23, 17, 5, 101, 19]
const sorted_nums = primes.sort()
console.log(sorted_nums) // [101, 17, 19, 23, 5] What???
```

[Replit Playground](#)

Array.prototype.sort()

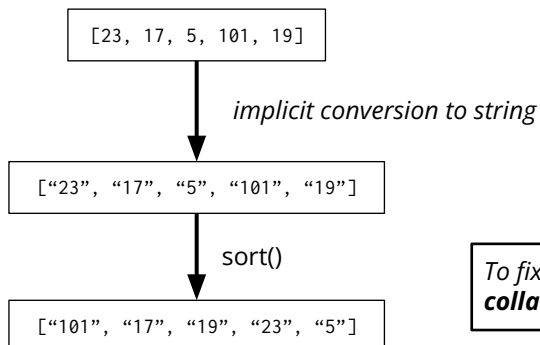
MDN online doc

The `sort()` method sorts the elements of an array [in place](#) and returns the reference to the same array, now sorted. The default sort order is ascending, built upon converting the elements into strings, then comparing their sequences of UTF-16 code units values.

[Online Doc](#)

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Array sort() builtin behavior



To fix this "bug", we have to tell `sort()` the collating order between two data items

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Array.sort() with collating order

```
function numericOrder(a:number, b:number): number {
  if (a < b) return -7121;      // any negative number
  else if (a > b) return +8321; // any positive number
  else return 0;
}

const primes = [23, 17, 5, 101, 19]
const sorted_nums = primes.sort(numericOrder)
console.log(sorted_nums)      // [5, 17, 19, 23, 101] Ok
```

[Replit Playground](#)

The collating function **must return a number**

- Negative when the "first" item should be placed BEFORE the "second" item
- Positive when the "first" item should be placed AFTER the "second" item
- Zero when the order of the two items is irrelevant

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Array.sort() on objects

```
type Language = {
  name: string; yearCreated: number
}

const langs: Language[] = [
  { name: "C", yearCreated: 1970},
  { name: "JavaScript", yearCreated: 1995},
  { name: "Fortran", yearCreated: 1954}]

function orderByName(a:Language, b:Language): number {
  return a.name.localeCompare(b.name)
}

function orderByYear(a:Language, b:Language): number {
  return a.yearCreated - b.yearCreated
}

langs.sort(orderByName)
```

[Replit Playground](#)

The collating function takes two parameters of type Language but **must return a number**

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Array.sort() on objects: **incorrect** collating funcs

```
type Language = {
  name: string; yearCreated: number
}

const langs: Language[] = [
  { name: "C",          yearCreated: 1970},
  { name: "JavaScript", yearCreated: 1995},
  { name: "Fortran",   yearCreated: 1954}]

function orderByName(a:string, b:string): number {
  return a.localeCompare(b)
}

function orderByYear(a:number, b:number): number {
  return a - b
}

langs.sort(orderByName)
```

The collating function must take two parameters of type Language

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Collating Functions: named, unnamed, lambda

```
type Language = {
  name: string; yearCreated: number
}

const langs: Language[] = [
  { name: "C",          yearCreated: 1970 },
  { name: "JavaScript", yearCreated: 1995 },
  { name: "Fortran",   yearCreated: 1954 }
]
```

Option 1: named function

```
function orderByName(a:Language, b:Language): number {
  return a.name.localeCompare(b.name)
}
langs.sort(orderByName)
```

[Replit Playground](#)

```
langs.sort(Option 2: unnamed function
  function (a:Language, b:Language): number {
    return a.name.localeCompare(b.name)
  }
)
```

```
langs.sort(Option 3: lambda function
  (a:Language, b:Language): number => {
    return a.name.localeCompare(b.name)
  }
)
```

```
langs.sort(Opt 4: typeless lambda & 1-line return contraction
  (a, b) => a.name.localeCompare(b.name)
)
```

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Function Optional Parameters/Arguments

```
// whoAmI can be called with 2, 3, or 4 args
const whoAmI = (name: string, age: number, occupation?: string, spouse?: string): void => {
  console.log("Work as", occupation);
  console.log("Spouse name:", spouse ?? "N/A")
}
```

```
whoAmI("Andy", 22); // Work as undefined
// Spouse name: N/A
whoAmI("Bob", 43, "banker"); // Work as banker
// Spouse name: N/A
whoAmI("Chuck", 31, undefined, "Cindy"); // Work as undefined
// Spouse name Cindy
whoAmI("Chuck", 31, null, "Cindy"); // Work as null
// Spouse name Cindy
```

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Function Parameter Default Value

```
const whoAmI = (name: string, age: number,
  occupation: string = "Student",
  spouse?: string): void => {
  console.log("Work as", occupation);
  console.log("Spouse name:", spouse ?? "N/A")
}
```

Undefined implies "skip" this arg



```
whoAmI("Andy", 22); // Work as Student
// Spouse name: N/A
whoAmI("Bob", 43, "banker"); // Work as banker
// Spouse name: N/A
whoAmI("Chuck", 31, undefined, "Cindy"); // Work as Student
// Spouse name Cindy
whoAmI("Chuck", 31, null, "Cindy"); // Work as null
// Spouse name Cindy
```

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Array Operations

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Array high-order functions

- `Array.every()`, `Array.some()`
- `Array.find()`, `findIndex()`
- `Array.filter()`, `Array.map()`, `Array.flatMap()`
- `Array.forEach()`
- `Array.reduce()`
- ... [and many others](#)
- `flatMap()` is available in ES2019

```
// tsconfig.json
{
  "compilerOptions": {
    "target": "ES2019",
    // other options go here
  }
}
```

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```

type Shape = {
  color: string;
  numSides: number
  sideDims: Array<number> // the length of each side
}

```

```
let shapes: Array<Shape> = [.....]
```



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Array.some(): do we have any green shape?



shapes.some(?????)

YES

```
function isGreen(s: Shape): boolean {
  return s.color === "green"
}
```

```
let shapes: Array<Shape> = [.....];
const someGreen = shapes.some(isGreen);
console.log(someGreen); // true
```

```
const someGreen = shapes.some(function(s: Shape): boolean {
  return s.color === "green"
});
```

Anonymous func

```
const someGreen = shapes.some((s: Shape): boolean => {
  return s.color === "green"
});
```

Anon. fat arrow

```
const someGreen = shapes.some((s: Shape): boolean =>
  s.color === "green");
```

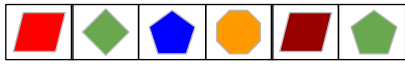
1-line return elimination

```
const someGreen = shapes.some((s) => s.color === "green");
```

No explicit type

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Array.some(): do we have any green? (Incorrect!!!)



shapes.some (?????)

YES

```
// isGreen must take a Shape as its input parameter
// NOT a string!!!
function isGreen(col: string): boolean {
  return col === "green"
}

let shapes:Array<Shape> = [____];
const someGreen = shapes.some(isGreen);
console.log(someGreen); // true
```

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Array.forEach(): inspect all shapes



shapes.forEach (????)

```
function printShape(s: Shape): void{
  console.log("# of sides", s.sides);
}
```

```
let shapes:Array<Shape> = [____];
shapes.forEach(printShape);
```

```
shapes.forEach(function(s: Shape): void {
  console.log("# of sides", s.sides);
});
```

Anonymous func

```
shapes.forEach((s: Shape): void => {
  console.log("# of sides", s.sides);
});
```

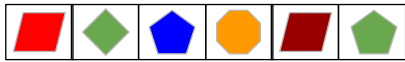
Anon. fat arrow

```
shapes.forEach((s) => {
  console.log("@ of sides:", s.sides);
});
```

No explicit type

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Array.every(): are all shapes pentagon?



shapes.every (?????)

NO

```
function isPenta(s: Shape): boolean {  
  return s.sides === 5  
}
```

```
let shapes:Array<Shape> = [____];  
const allPenta= shapes.every(isPenta);  
console.log(allPenta); // false
```

```
const allPenta = shapes.every(function(s: Shape): boolean {  
  return s.sides === 5  
});
```

Anonymous func

```
const allPenta = shapes.every((s: Shape): boolean => {  
  return s.sides === 5  
});
```

Anon. fat arrow

```
const allPenta = shapes.every((s: Shape): boolean =>  
  s.sides === 5)
```

1-line return simplification

```
const allPenta = shapes.every((s) => s.sides === 5);
```

No explicit type

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Array.findIndex(): where is XXX?



shapes.findIndex(isPenta)

At pos 2

shapes.findIndex(isTriang)

-1

```
function isPenta(s: Shape): boolean {  
  return s.sides === 5  
}
```

```
let shapes:Array<Shape> = [____];  
const pent = shapes.findIndex(isPenta);
```

```
const pent= shapes.findIndex((s: Shape): boolean => {  
  return s.sides === 5  
});
```

Anon. fat arrow

```
const pent= shapes.findIndex((s: Shape): boolean =>  
  s.sides === 5)
```

1-line return simplification

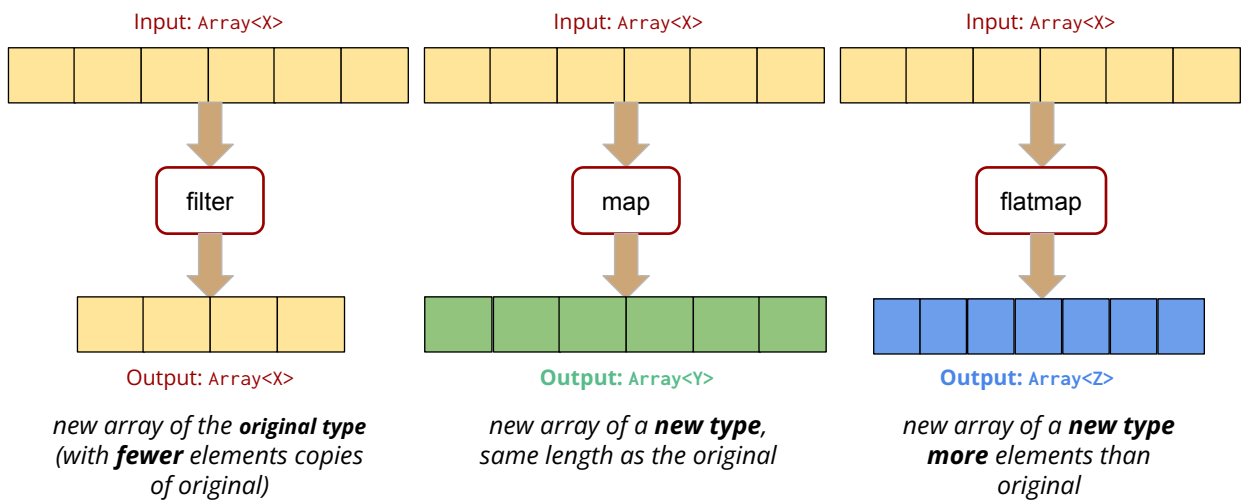
```
const pent= shapes.findIndex((s) => s.sides === 5);  
const triPos = shapes.findIndex(s => s.sides === 3)
```

No explicit type

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Coding Demo

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Array.filter(): give me only green shapes



`shapes.filter(x.color == "green")`



Array of shapes

```
const shapes: Shape[];

function isGreen (x:Shape): boolean {
  return x.color === "green"
}

const greenOnly: Shape[] = shapes.filter(isGreen);
```

```
const greenOnly = shapes.filter((shp:Shape): boolean => {
  return shp.color === "green";
});
```

```
const greenOnly = shapes.filter((z) => z.color === "green");
```

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Array.map(): extract all colors/num sides



Array of shapes



`shapes.map(z.color)`

6-item array

`shapes.map(w.sides)`

Array of strings

`["RED", "GRN", "BLU", "ORG", "BRO", "GRN"]`

`[4, 4, 5, 8, 4, 5]`

Array of numbers

```
let c: string[];

c = shapes.map((z:Shape) => {
  return z.color;
});
// OR
c = shapes.map((z) => z.color);
```

```
let sd: number[];
sd = shapes.map((w:Shape) => {
  return w.sides;
});
// OR
sd = shapes.map((w:Shape) => w.sides);
```

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Array.filter() & Array.map()

Named function

```
const numbers = [2, -30, 0, 17, 9, -11];

function isPos(x:number): boolean {
  return x > 0;
}

const out = numbers.filter(isPos);
console.log(out); // [2, 17, 19]
```

```
const numbers = [2, -30, 0, 17, 9, -11];

function plus10(x:number): number {
  return x + 10;
}

const out = numbers.map(plus10);
console.log(out); // [12, -20, 10, 27, 19, -1]
```

Fat arrow

```
const numbers = [2, -30, 0, 17, 9, -11];

const out = numbers.filter((x:number) => {
  return x > 0; });
console.log(out); // [2, 17, 19]
```

```
const numbers = [2, -30, 0, 17, 9, -11];

const out = numbers.map((x:number) => {
  return x + 10; });
console.log(out); // [12, -20, 10, 27, 19, -1]
```

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Chaining Function Calls

```
// Java
String location = "Grand Rapids";
String canyon = location.replace("Rapids", "Canyon");
String caps = canyon.toUpperCase();
```

```
// Java: chain the function calls
String location = "Grand Rapids";

String grCanyon = location
  .replace("Rapids", "Canyon")
  .toUpperCase();
```

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Chaining multiple Array functions



map(z.color)

["RED", "GRN", "BLU", "ORG", "BRO", "GRN"]

some(c === "GRY")

false

```
const shapes: Shape[];

const someGray = shapes
  .map((z:Shape) => z.color)
  .some((c:string) => c === "GRY");

console.log(someGray);
```

```
const hasGray = shapes
  .some((s:Shape) => s.color === "GRY");

console.log(someGray);
```

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Array.flatmap(): from one to many



flatmap(s.sideDims)

length = 13
[8, 11, 8, 11, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6.1, 6.1, 6.1, 6.1, 6.1]

```
let stats: number[];

stats = shapes
  .flatmap((s:Shape): number[] => {
    return s.sideDims
  });

stats = shapes
  .flatmap((s:Shape): number[] => s.sideDims);
```



map(s.sideDims)

length = 3
[[8, 11, 8, 11], [7, 7, 7, 7], [6.1, 6.1, 6.1, 6.1, 6.1]]

```
let stats: number[];

stats = shapes
  .map((s:Shape): number[] => {
    return s.sideDims
  });

stats = shapes
  .map((s:Shape): number[] => s.sideDims);
```

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Practical Use Case of flatmap()

```
type Course = {
  name: string,
  credits: number
  classList: Array<string>
}

let allCourses: Array<Course> = [
  { name: "MTH101 Calculus",
    credits: 4,
    classList: [/* 25 student names */]
  },
  { name: "HTM 203 Beer Brewing",
    credits: 2,
    classList: [/* 70 student names */]
  }
]
```

```
// Find all students whose name begins with "Eli"

const studentList = allCourses
  .flatMap((c:Course) => {
    return c.classList
  })
// you'll get 95 names from flatMap
  .filter((who:string) => {
    return who.startsWith("Eli")
  });

// Or after single-return elimination
const studentList =
  allCourses
    .flatMap((c:Course) => c.classList)
// you'll get 95 names from flatMap
    .filter((who:string) => who.startsWith("Eli"));
```

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Introducing: Array.reduce()



some | every

boolean



reduce (redFunc, initVal)

single result of **your preferred type**
(total, max, min, ...)

Not limited to only boolean output!!!

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Array.reduce(): sum of values

```
const scores = [23, -31, 17, 31, 19];
const computeSum = (acc:number, curr: number): number {
  return acc + curr;
}

const totalScore = rivers.reduce(computeSum);
console.log("Total ", totalScore); // Total 59
```

pos	acc	curr	return
1	23	-31	-8
2	-8	17	9
3	9	31	40
4	40	19	59

- Acc is initialized from the first array item
- Work begins at position 1



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Array.reduce(): sum of values (with initial value)

```
const scores = [23, -31, 17, 31, 19];
const computeSum = (acc:number, curr: number): number {
  return acc + curr;
}

const totalScore = rivers.reduce(computeSum, 2000);
console.log("Total ", totalScore); // Total 59
```

pos	acc	curr	return
0	2000	23	2023
1	2023	-31	1992
2	1992	17	2009
3	2009	31	2040
4	2040	19	2059

- Acc is initialized from the initial value
- Work begins at position 0



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Array.reduce(): shortest river name

```
const rivers = ["Amazon", "Mississippi", "Nile",  
               "YangTze", "Yenisei"];  
const shorterOf = (acc:string, curr: string): string {  
  if (curr.length < acc.length)  
    return curr  
  else  
    return acc;  
}  
  
const riverName = rivers.reduce(shorterOf);  
console.log("Shortest ", riverName); // Nile
```

pos	acc	curr	return
1	Amazon	Mississippi	Amazon
2	Amazon	Nile	Nile
3	Nile	YangTze	Nile
4	Nile	Yenisei	Nile

- Acc is initialized from the first array item
- Work begins at position 1



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Array.reduce(): shortest river name

```
const rivers = ["Amazon", "Mississippi", "Nile",  
               "YangTze", "Yenisei"];  
  
const shorterOf = (acc:string, curr: string): string {  
  if (curr.length < acc.length)  
    return curr  
  else  
    return acc;  
}  
  
// Use ""Yellow" as the initial value of riverName  
const riverName = rivers.reduce(shorterOf, "Yellow");  
console.log("Shortest ", riverName); // Nile
```

pos	acc	curr	return
0	Yellow	Amazon	Amazon
1	Amazon	Mississippi	Amazon
2	Amazon	Nile	Nile
3	Nile	YangTze	Nile
4	Nile	Yenisei	Nile

- Acc is initialized from the provided value
- Work begins at position 0



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Array.reduce(): shortest name (incorrect initial value)

```
const rivers = ["Amazon", "Mississippi", "Nile",
               "YangTze", "Yenisei"];

const shorterOf = (acc:string, curr:string): string {
  if (curr.length < acc.length)
    return curr
  else
    return acc;
}

// Use "Roe" as the initial value of riverName
const riverName = rivers.reduce(shorterOf, "Roe");
console.log("Shortest ", riverName); // Roe
```

pos	acc	curr	return
0	Roe	Amazon	Roe
1	Roe	Mississippi	Roe
2	Roe	Nile	Roe
3	Roe	YangTze	Roe
4	Roe	Yenisei	Roe

- Acc is initialized from the provided value
- Work begins at position 0



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Array.reduce() with initial value

```
const rivers = ["____", ____];

const shorterLen(acc:number, curr:string):number {
  if (curr.length < acc)
    return curr.length
  else
    return acc;
}

// Use 37 to initialize riverLen
const riverLen = rivers.reduce(shorterLen, 37);

console.log("Shortest ", riverLen); // 4
```

pos	Acc (number)	Curr (string)	Return (number)
0	37	Amazon	6
1	6	Mississippi	6
2	6	Nile	4
3	4	YangTze	4
4	4	Yenisei	4

- Type of acc and curr may be different
- Type of acc and type of initial value must match
- Type of acc determines the type of return



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Array.reduce(): general guidelines

```
let myArray: Array<XYZ>;
```

```
function myFunction(prev: XYZ, curr: XYZ): XYZ {  
  // More code here  
  return _____;  
}  
  
const result: XYZ = myArray.reduce(myFunction);
```

Without initial value

```
function myFunction(prev: resultType, curr: XYZ): resultType {  
  // More code here  
  return _____;  
}  
  
const initValue: resultType = _____;  
const result: resultType = myArray.reduce(myFunction, initValue);
```

With initial value

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Reduce: Array of objects

```
type River = {  
  name: string,  
  countries: Array<string>, // the river passes thru these countries  
  lenInMiles: number // river length in miles  
}
```

```
const waters = Array<River> = [  
  {name: "Amazon", countries: ["Brazil", "Columbia", "Peru"], length: 4_132},  
  {name: "Nile", countries: ["Egypt"], length: 4_388},  
  {name: "Mississippi", countries: ["US"], length: 2_340},  
  {name: "Mekong", countries: ["China", "Myanmar", "Laos", "Thailand", "Vietnam"], length: 2_703},  
  {name: "Ganges", countries: ["India", "Bangladesh"], length: 1_560},  
  /* more data here */  
]
```

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The name of the longest river?

```
type River = {  
  name: string,  
  countries: Array<string>,  
  lenInMiles: number  
}
```

```
function lengthCompare (prev: River, curr: River): River {  
  if (prev.lenInMiles > curr.lenInMiles) return prev;  
  else return curr;  
}  
  
let winner:River;  
winner = waters.reduce(lengthCompare);  
console.log(winner.name);
```

```
let winner:River; Fat arrow  
  
winner = waters.reduce((prev:River, curr:River): River => {  
  if (prev.lenInMiles > curr.lenInMiles) return prev;  
  else return curr;  
});  
  
console.log(winner.name);
```

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The longest mile?

```
type River = {  
  name: string,  
  countries: Array<string>,  
  lenInMiles: number  
}
```

```
function compLength (prev: River, curr: River): River { Option 1  
  if (prev.lenInMiles > curr.lenInMiles) return prev;  
  else return curr;  
}
```

```
let winner:River;  
winner = waters.reduce(compLength);  
console.log("Longest mile is", winner.lenInMiles);
```

```
function compRivLen (prev: number, curr: River): number { Option 2  
  if (prev > curr.lenInMiles) return prev;  
  else return curr.lenInMiles;  
}
```

```
let winner:number;  
winner = waters.reduce(compRivLen, Number.MIN_VALUE);  
console.log("Longest mile is", winner);
```

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Goes through most countries?

```
type River = {  
  name: string,  
  countries: Array<string>,  
  lenInMiles: number miles  
}
```

```
function countryCompare(prev: River, curr: River): River {  
  if (prev.countries.length > curr.countries.length) return prev;  
  else return curr;  
}  
  
let winner:River;  
winner = waters.reduce(countryCompare);  
console.log(winner.name);
```

```
let winner:River; Fat arrow  
  
winner = waters.reduce((prev:River, curr:River): River => {  
  if (prev.countries.length > curr.countries.length) return prev;  
  else return curr;  
});  
  
console.log(winner.name);
```

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Some examples

How many green shapes?	<pre>shapes.filter(s => s.color === "green") .length</pre>
How many equilateral triangles?	<pre>shapes.filter(s => s.sides === 3 && s.sideDims[0] === s.sideDims[1] && s.sideDims[1] === s.sideDims[2]) .length; shapes.filter(s => s.sides === 3) .filter(s => s.sideDims[0] === s.sideDims[1] && s.sideDims[1] === s.sideDims[2]) .length</pre>
Largest perimeter?	<pre>shapes.map(shp => { let perimeter = 0; // Compute perimeter return perimeter; }) .reduce((acc:number, curr:number) => { if (acc > curr) return acc; else return curr; })</pre>

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