



Date. Regular Expression

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DATE

Date constructor

Create date:

```
new Date();  
new Date(value);  
new Date(dateString);  
new Date(year, month[, day[, hour[, minute[, second[, millisecond]]]]]);
```

Examples:

```
new Date() // "Thu Feb 28 2019 14:54:18 GMT+0200 (Eastern European Standard Time)"  
new Date(1463295600000);  
new Date('May 15, 2016 10:00:00');  
new Date(2016, 4, 15, 10);
```

Date get methods

```
Date.prototype.getDay(); // returns the day of the week (0 means Sunday)
Date.prototype.getDate(); // returns the day of the month
Date.prototype.getFullYear(); // returns the year (Y2K compliant)
Date.prototype.getHours();
Date.prototype.getMilliseconds();
Date.prototype.getMinutes();
Date.prototype.getMonth(); // returns the month (0 means January)
Date.prototype.getSeconds();
Date.prototype.getTime(); // returns the milliseconds since UNIX Epoch
Date.prototype.getTimezoneOffset(); // time zone difference in minutes (from curent
local to UTC)
```

Date set methods

```
Date.prototype.setFullYear(year [, month, date]);  
Date.prototype.setMonth(month [, date]);  
Date.prototype.setDate(date); // set the day of the month  
Date.prototype.setHours(hour [, min, sec, ms]);  
Date.prototype.setMinutes(min [, sec, ms]);  
Date.prototype.setSeconds(sec [, ms]);  
Date.prototype.setMilliseconds(ms);  
Date.prototype.setTime(milliseconds); // milliseconds since UNIX Epoch
```

Date transform methods

```
Date.prototype.toDateString(); // example output: "Wed Jul 28 1993 14:39:07 GMT+0200 (CEST)"
Date.prototype.toISOString(); // example: "2021-02-24T15:18:23.691Z"
Date.prototype.toJSON();
Date.prototype.toLocaleString(); // example: "2021. 02. 24. 15:23:47"
Date.prototype.toLocaleDateString();
Date.prototype.toLocaleTimeString();
Date.prototype.toUTCString();
```

REGULAR EXPRESSION

RegExp

Regular expression is a sequence of characters that define a search pattern. Usually this pattern is used for “find” or “find and replace” operations on strings.

We can create regular expression in two ways:

EXAMPLE

```
// 1) Without constructor
const simpleRegExp = /pattern/;
// 2) With constructor
const anotherRegExp = new RegExp('pattern');
```

Note: Don't modify the RegExp object!

It will make the work of a regular expression much slower.

RegExp: flags

There are such flags as:

- g Global match
- i Ignore case
- m Multiline (^ and \$ work for eachline)
- ... etc

EXAMPLE

```
'this\nawesome end\n\nisn'\t\nend'.match(/.*end$/gm);  
// ["awesome end", "end"]  
  
/case/i.test('cAsE'); // true
```

RegExp: special characters

There are a lot of special characters for regular expressions, it's quite hard to remember all of them, here are some examples:

- `\d` and `\D` – any digit(`d`) and non-digit(`D`)
- `\s` and `\S` – any space(`s`) and non-space(`S`) character
- `[...]` and `[^...]` – any character from brackets and any character not from brackets (with `^`)
- `[a-z]` – any character in range from “a” to “z”
- `a*` – zero or many matches of the character “a”
- `a+` – one or more matches of the character “a”
- `a?` – zero or one match of the character “a”
- `a{2,3}` – 2 or 3 matches of “a”, also can be `a{2}`(exactly 2) or `a{2,}`(2 or more)
- `^` - beginning of the string
- `$` - end of the string
- And so on...

RegExp: groups

We can capture something specific from the string using groups.

To declare a group you have to put the part of your regular expression into round brackets.

There are special types of groups, such as: capturing/non-capturing, named, following/looked.

Also if we need to match one of several cases we can use special separator: `/(a|b)/` - matches "a" or "b"

For example it can be used for taking a specific value (`user_token`) from cookies:

EXAMPLE

```
const cookie = document.cookie;
// user_token=12345abc11; numeric_key=88; type=rsa;

const match = /(?:^|; )user_token=([^\;]*)/.exec(cookie);
const userToken = match ? match[1] : undefined;
// userToken === '12345abc11';
```

Regular Expressions

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RegExp: RegExp-object methods

`RegExp.prototype.test()` accepts a string as an argument, returns a Boolean value that indicates if there is a match in the string for the pattern.

`RegExp.prototype.exec()` accepts a string as an argument, returns a result array or null if there are no matchings for the pattern.

EXAMPLE

```
/\d$/.test('I have a number - 5'); // true
/^\d/.test('I have a number - 5'); // false

const text = 'You can find here animals like dogs, cats and so on.';

const result = /like.+(cats).+(sheep)?.+so\son/.exec(text);
/*
result = [
  "like dogs, cats and so on",
  "cats",
  undefined,
  index: 26,
  input: "You can find here animals like dogs, cats and so on."
];
*/
```

RegExp: string methods

`String.prototype.match()` is a method that returns an array of all matches in a string for passed regexp, or null.

`String.prototype.search()` is a method that returns the index of the matched part of string or -1 if there is no match.

`String.prototype.split()` can accept a RegExp as an argument to split a string to an array.

`String.prototype.replace()` is a method that searches for match in a string and replaces it with a given substring.

EXAMPLE

```
'Hello world'.match(/^w[^\s]+/);  
// ["Hello"]  
  
'There is a color #a0a here'  
  .search(/#(?:[a-f0-9]{3}){1,2}/);  
// 17  
  
'Apple, Orange, Pear,   Cherry'  
  .split(/,\s*/);  
// ["Apple", "Orange", "Pear", "Cherry"]  
  
'Hello {name} {brackets}!'  
  .replace(/{\.+}/, 'Vasya'); // ?
```

RegExp

A regular expression is an object that describes a pattern of characters. Regular expressions are used to perform pattern-matching and "search-and-replace" functions on text.

```
/word/ pattern that matches "word", using regex syntax  
var regexp = new RegExp('word', ''); pattern that matches "word"  
using RegExp object  
. matches any character (except newline)  
/o.o/ matches 'oao', 'obo', 'o o', 'o-o' ...  
^ indicates beginning of line  
$ indicates end of line  
/^word$/ matches lines that consist only of 'word'.
```

Regexps are matched **line by line**.

<http://regexpr.com/>

<http://regexper.com/>

RegExp Methods

RegExp.test(string); tests "string" to match regexp.

```
/world/.test('hello, world!'); // -> true
```

String.match(regexp); matches string, returning null if no matches found, array of matches otherwise.

```
'hello, world'.match(/world/); // -> ["world"]
```

Also regexp may be used in `".replace"`:

```
'testtest'.replace(/test/, function (match) {  
    return match + '.';  
}); // test.test
```

RegExp Grouping

Groups:

- `[]` - Character set, match any of given characters
- `[a-z]` - Any of lowercase letters.
- `(...)` - create "match group". Groups are accessible as `$1..$9`
- `'hello world'.replace(/(\w+)/g, '-$1-'); // "-hello- -world-"`

RegExp Repeating

{count} - previous symbol repeated exactly 'count' times

Example: /a{2}/ - matches 'aa'

{x, y} - previous symbol (or group) repeated from "x" to "y" times

Example: /a{1, 3}/ - matches 'a' or 'aa' or 'aaa'

Special symbols:

- * previous symbol repeated from 0 to infinite times. Equivalent {0,}
- ? previous symbol repeated 0 or 1 times. Equivalent {0,1}
- + previous symbol repeated 1 to infinite times. Equivalent {1,}

RegExp Modifiers

- g - global search, match all occurrences.
- i - ignore case, match letters ignoring case.
- m - multiline, match all lines, not line by line.

RegExp Symbol Classes

`\d` - digits

`\D` - non-digits

`\w` - word symbols [a-zA-Z0-9_]

`\W` - non-word symbols

`\s` - white-space symbols

`\S` - non white-space symbols

If you need to use some of the reserved symbol as match, you need to escape them with
"`\`"

Reserved symbols: (,), \, /, *, +, ?, ., [,]

Further reading

RegExp:

[Learning Regex The Hard Way](#)

[The Bastards Book Of Regular Expressions](#)

[RegExp Playground](#)

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