

Overview

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In-Class Problem

For this program, what is the console output for?

1. `console.log(countEs("EECS"));`

`=> 2`

The purpose of `countEs` this is to encapsulate the `countChar` method, so that invocation will be done implicitly by `countEs`. The functionality of this program is to return an integer value of how many times `E` exists in the string argument. `countEs(string)` is analogous to a parent function that allows for a more general use case application.

2. `console.log(countChar("david", "d"));`

`=> 2`

The purpose of `countChar` is to iterate through a string and terminate iteration once the iteration has summed to the string's length. If there are zero occurrences of the target `ch` in the `string` then the value returned will be the originally initialized value of `0`.

3. Add a comment to each line of code to tell what it is doing.

```
function countChar(string, ch) {
  let counted = 0;
  for (let i = 0; i < string.length; i++) {
    if (string[i] == ch) {
      counted += 1;
    }
  }
  return (counted);
}

function countEs(string) {
  return countChar(string, "E");
}
```

Doxygen Comments

Doxygen Documentation

```
/**
 * @file    exercise.js
 * @author  Morgan Bergen
 * @brief   This file contains the code for the in-class problem
 * @date    Wed Aug 31 13:40:17 CDT 2022
 */

/**
 * @pre     string must be an iterable object type of str and ch must be
an element of that object.
 * @post    counted will be returned as an integer value of the number of
times ch appears in string.
 * @param   string will be searched and iterated upon.
 * @param   ch will be the target element upon searching the string.
 * @return  counted will be returned as an integer value of the number of
times ch appears in string, if there is no element of ch in string, then 0
will be returned.
 */
function countChar(string, ch) {
  let counted = 0;
  for (let i = 0; i < string.length; i++) {
    if (string[i] == ch) {
      counted += 1;
    }
  }
  return (counted);
}

/**
 * @pre     string must be an iterable object type of str.
 * @post    upon invocation the return value will be the return value of
countChar(string, "E")
 * @param   string will be searched and iterated upon.
 * @return  countChar will be returned as an integer value of the number
of times "E" appears in string, if there is no element of "E" in string,
then 0 will be returned.
 */
function countEs(string) {
  return (countChar(string, "E"));
}
```

Cheat Sheet

- `@file`: Filename
- `@author`: Name of the author
- `@brief`: A brief description of the file contents and purpose
- `@date`: date started coding
- `@pre`: States the condition that must be true for a member method to work as expected (e.g invalid values, invalid range, invalid conditions)
- `@post`: Describe the side effects of the function. It describes whether the function modifies the input parameter or the calling objects or any other functionality of the program
- `@param`: Parameters that are passed to the function
- `@return`: Specify what does the function returns after execution
- `@throw`: Specify the error a function might throw

Regular In-line Comments

```
// this function will take a string and a character as an argument and
return the number of times that character appears in the string
function countChar(string, ch) {
  // initializing counted to 0 so incase the character is not found in
the string, 0 will be returned
  let counted = 0;

  // iterating through the string till the end of the string
  for (let i = 0; i < string.length; i++) {
    // if the character at the current index is equal to the character
we are looking for, then increment counted
    if (string[i] == ch) {

      // counted will be incremented by 1
      // alternative syntax is counted++;
      counted += 1;
    }
  }

  // return the number of times the character was found in the string
represented by the integer counted.
  return (counted);
}

// the return value of this function will be the return value of
countChar(string, "E")
function countEs(string) {

  // this return value will be of type integer.
  return (countChar(string, "E"));
}

// output to the console the amount of times E appears in EECS
console.log(countEs("EECS"));
// => 2

// output to the terminal the amount of times d appears in david
console.log(countChar("david", "d"));
// => 2
```