JS Syntax Fundamentals

Syntax, Conditional Statements, Loops, Data

Type and Variables, Array



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JavaScript Overview

Definition, Execution, IDE Setup

What is JavaScript?





- One of the core technologies of the World Wide Web
- Enables interactive web pages and applications
- Can be executed on the server and on the client
- Features
 - C-like syntax (curly-brackets, identifiers, operator)
 - Multi-paradigm (imperative, functional, OOP)
 - Dynamic typing



Dynamic Programming Language



- JavaScript is a dynamic programming language
 - Operations otherwise done at compile-time can be done at run-time
- It is possible to change the type of a variable or add new properties or methods to an object while the program is running
- In static programming languages, such changes are normally not possible

Node.js



What is Node.js?



- Chrome V8 JavaScript engine
- NPM package manager
- Install node packages





JavaScript Syntax

Functions, Operators, Input and Output

Functions and Input Parameters



- In order to solve different problems, we are going to use functions and the input will come as parameters
- A function is similar to a procedure, that executes when called

Printing to the Console



We use the console.log() method to print to console

```
function solve (name, grade) {
  console.log('The name is: ' + name + ', grade: ' + grade);
}
solve('Peter', 3.555);
//The name is: Peter, grade: 3.555
```

Text can be composed easier using interpolated strings

```
console.log(`The name is: ${name}, grade: ${grade}`);
```

To format a number, use the toFixed() method (converts to string)

```
grade.toFixed(2); //The name is: Petar, grade: 3.56
```



Data Types and Variables

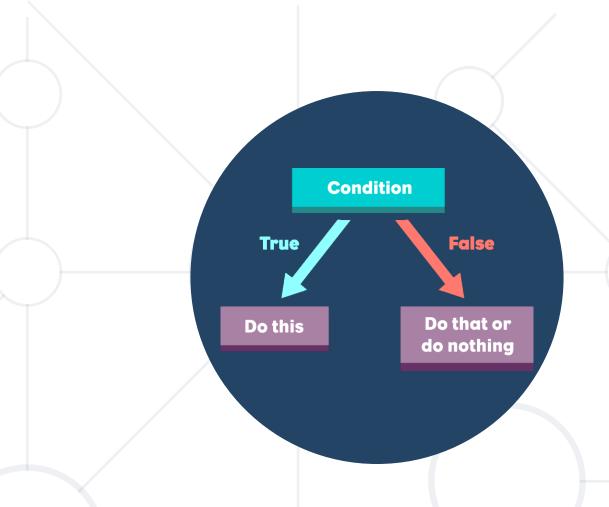
Definition and Examples

JavaScript Data Types



- Seven primitive
 - Boolean
 - null
 - undefined
 - Number
 - String
 - Symbol
 - BigInt
- and Objects (including Functions and Arrays)





Conditional Statements

Implementing Control-Flow Logic

Arithmetic Operators



- Arithmetic operators take numerical values (either literals or variables) as their operands
 - Return a single numerical value
 - Addition (+)
 - Subtraction (-)
 - Multiplication (*)
 - Division (/)
 - Remainder (%)
 - Exponentiation (**)

```
let a = 15;
let b = 5;
let c;
c = a + b; // 20
c = a - b; // 10
c = a * b; // 75
c = a / b; // 3
c = a % b; // 0
c = a ** b; //15^5
 759375c
```

Comparison Operators



```
console.log(1 == '1'); // true
console.log(1 === '1'); // false
console.log(3 != '3'); // false
console.log(3 !== '3'); // true
console.log(5 < 5.5); // true</pre>
console.log(5 <= 4); // false</pre>
console.log(2 > 1.5); // true
console.log(2 \ge 2); // true
console.log((5 > 7) ? 4 : 10); // 10
```



Ternary operator

Chained Conditional Statements



■ The if / else — if / else... construct is a series of checks

```
let a = 5;
if (a > 10)
  console.log("Bigger than 10");
else if (a < 10)
  console.log("Less than 10");
                                     Only "Less than 10"
else
                                       will be printed
  console.log("Equal to 10");
```

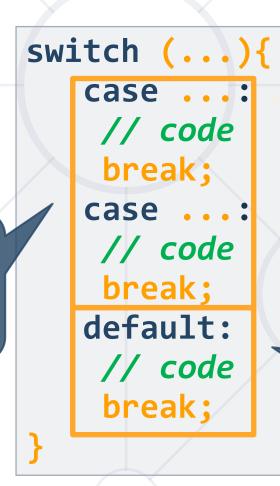
 If one condition is true, it does not proceed to verify the following conditions

The Switch-case Statement



Works as a series of if / else if / else if...

List of conditions (values) for the inspection



The condition in the switch case is a value

Code to be executed if there is no match with any case

Logical Operators



- Logical operators give us the ability to write multiple conditions in one if statement
- They return a boolean result (true or false)

Operator	Description	Example
!	NOT	!false → true
&&	AND	true && false → false
	OR	true false → true

Typeof Operator

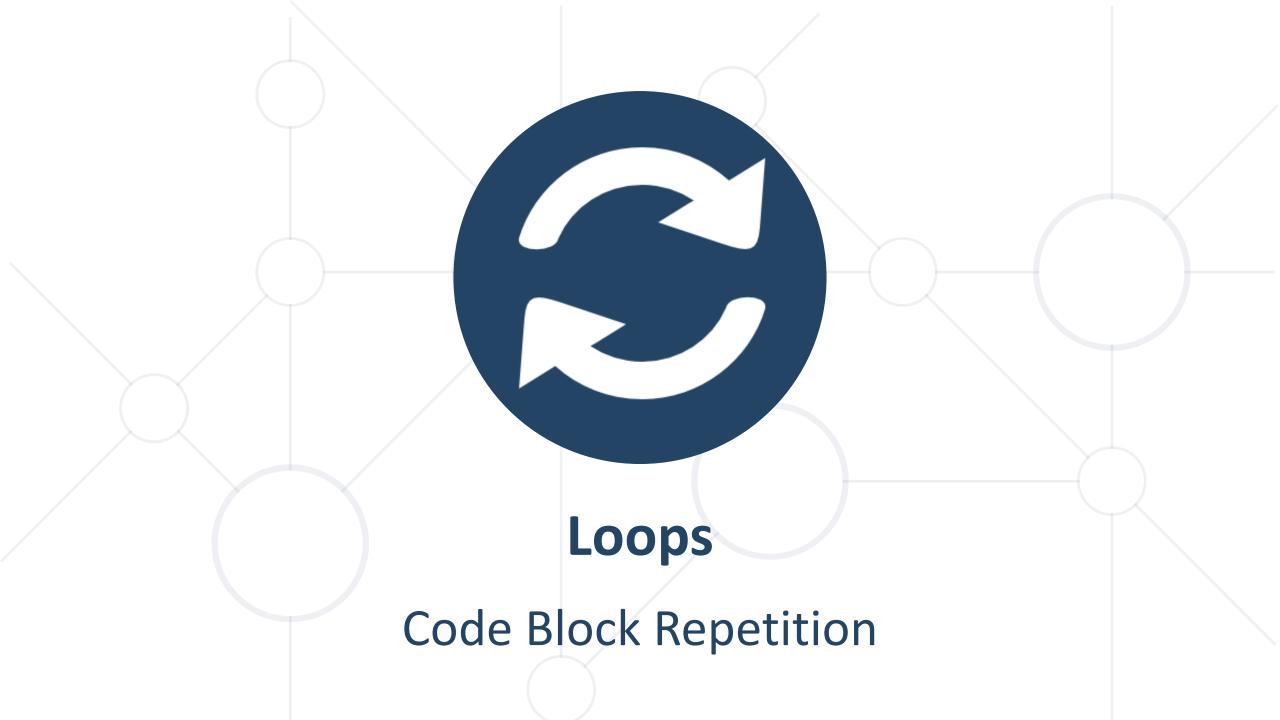


The typeof operator returns a string indicating the type of an operand

```
const val = 5;
console.log(typeof val);  // number

const str = 'hello';
console.log(typeof str);  // string

const obj = {name: 'Maria', age:18};
console.log(typeof obj);  // object
```



Loops in JavaScript (1)



- The for loop
 - Incrementation in the condition

```
for (let i = 1; i <= 5; i++){
  console.log(i)
}</pre>
```

- The while loop
 - Incrementation outside of the condition

```
let i = 1
while (i <= 5) {
  console.log(i)
  i++
}</pre>
```

Loops in JavaScript (1)



- The for-of Loop
 - Iterates through all elements in a collection
 - Cannot access the current index

```
for (let el of collection) {
    // Process the value here
}
```



Working with Arrays of Elements

Arrays in JavaScript

Arrays of Different Types



```
// Array holding numbers
let numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50];
```

```
// Array holding strings
let weekDays = ['Monday', 'Tuesday', 'Wednesday',
    'Thursday', 'Friday', 'Saturday', 'Sunday'];
```

```
// Array holding mixed data (not a good practice)
let mixedArr = [20, new Date(), 'hello', {x:5, y:8}];
```

Accessing Elements



Array elements are accessed using their index

```
let cars = ['BMW', 'Audi', 'Opel'];
let firstCar = cars[0]; // BMW
let lastCar = cars[cars.length - 1]; // Opel
```

 Accessing indexes that do not exist in the array returns undefined

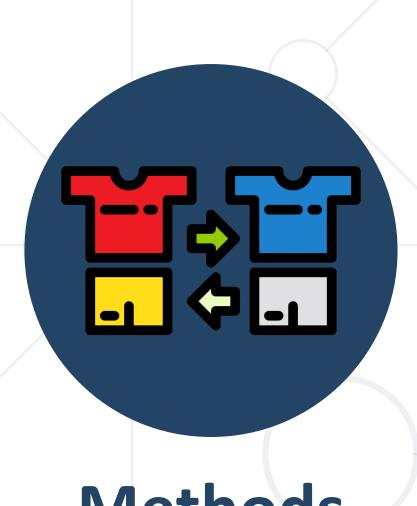
```
console.log(cars[3]); // undefined
console.log(cars[-1]); // undefined
```

Destructuring Syntax



Expression that unpacks values from arrays or objects, into distinct variables

 The rest operator can also be used to collect function parameters into an array



Methods

Modify the Array

Pop



- Removes the last element from an array and returns that element
- This method changes the length of the array

```
let nums = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70];
console.log(nums.length); // 7
console.log(nums.pop()); // 70
console.log(nums.length); // 6
console.log(nums); // [ 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 ]
```

Push



 The push() method adds one or more elements to the end of an array and returns the new length of the array

```
let nums = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70];
console.log(nums.length); // 7
console.log(nums.push(80)); // 8 (nums.Length)
console.log(nums); // [ 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 ]
```

Shift



- The shift() method removes the first element from an array and returns that removed element
- This method changes the length of the array

```
let nums = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70];
console.log(nums.length); // 7
console.log(nums.shift()); // 10 (removed element)
console.log(nums); // [ 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70 ]
```

Unshift



The unshift() method adds one or more elements to the beginning of an array and returns the new length of the array

```
let nums = [40, 50, 60];
console.log(nums.length);  // 3
console.log(nums.unshift(30)); // 4 (nums.length)
console.log(nums.unshift(10,20)); // 6 (nums.length)
console.log(nums); // [ 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 ]
```

Splice



 Changes the contents of an array by removing or replacing existing elements and / or adding new elements

```
let nums = [1, 3, 4, 5, 6];
nums.splice(1, 0, 2); // inserts at index 1
console.log(nums); // [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 ]
nums.splice(4, 1, 19); // replaces 1 element at index 4
console.log(nums); // [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 19, 6 ]
let el = nums.splice(2, 1); // removes 1 element at index 2
console.log(nums); // [ 1, 2, 4, 19, 6 ]
console.log(el); // [ 3 ]
```

Reverse



- Reverses the array
 - The first array element becomes the last, and the last array element becomes the first

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

Join



 Creates and returns a new string by concatenating all of the elements in an array (or an array-like object),
 separated by commas or a specified separator string

```
let elements = ['Fire', 'Air', 'Water'];
console.log(elements.join()); // "Fire,Air,Water"
console.log(elements.join('')); // "FireAirWater"
console.log(elements.join('-')); // "Fire-Air-Water"
console.log(['Fire'].join(".")); // Fire
```

Slice



- The slice() method returns a shallow copy of a portion of an array into a new array object selected from begin to end (end not included)
- The original array will not be modified

```
let fruits = ['Banana', 'Orange', 'Lemon', 'Apple'];
let citrus = fruits.slice(1, 3);
let fruitsCopy = fruits.slice();
// fruits contains ['Banana', 'Orange', 'Lemon', 'Apple']
// citrus contains ['Orange', 'Lemon']
```

Includes



Determines whether an array contains a certain element,
 returning true or false as appropriate

```
// array length is 3
// fromIndex is -100
// computed index is 3 + (-100) = -97
let arr = ['a', 'b', 'c'];
arr.includes('a', -100); // true
arr.includes('b', -100); // true
arr.includes('c', -100); // true
arr.includes('a', -2); // false
```

IndexOf



- The indexOf() method returns the first index at which a given element can be found in the array
 - Output is -1 if element is not present

```
const beasts = ['ant', 'bison', 'camel', 'duck', 'bison'];
console.log(beasts.indexOf('bison')); // 1
// start from index 2
console.log(beasts.indexOf('bison', 2)); // 4
console.log(beasts.indexOf('giraffe')); // -1
```

ForEach



- The forEach() method executes a provided function once for each array element
- Converting a for loop to forEach

```
const items = ['item1', 'item2', 'item3'];
const copy = [];

// For Loop
for (let i = 0; i < items.length; i++) {
  copy.push(items[i]);
}

// ForEach
items.forEach(item => { copy.push(item); });
```

Map



 Creates a new array with the results of calling a provided function on every element in the calling array

```
let numbers = [1, 4, 9];
let roots = numbers.map(function(num, i, arr) {
  return Math.sqrt(num)
});
// roots is now [1, 2, 3]
// numbers is still [1, 4, 9]
```

Find



 Returns the first found value in the array, if an element in the array satisfies the provided testing function or undefined if not found

```
let array1 = [5, 12, 8, 130, 44];
let found = array1.find(function(element) {
    return element > 10;
});
console.log(found); // 12
```

Filter



- Creates a new array with filtered elements only
- Calls a provided callback function once for each element in an array
- Does not mutate the array on which it is called

```
let fruits = ['apple', 'banana', 'grapes', 'mango', 'orange'];
// Filter array items based on search criteria (query)
function filterItems(arr, query) {
  return arr.filter(function(el) {
    return el.toLowerCase().indexOf(query.toLowerCase()) !== -1;
  });
};
console.log(filterItems(fruits, 'ap')); // ['apple', 'grapes']
```



Concatenating



Use the "+" or the "+=" operators

```
let text = "Hello" + ", ";
// Expected output: "Hello, "
text += "JS!"; // "Hello, JS!"
```

Use the concat() method

```
let greet = "Hello, ";
let name = "John";
let result = greet.concat(name);
console.log(result); // Expected output: "Hello, John"
```

Searching for Substrings



indexOf(substr)

```
let str = "I am JavaScript developer";
console.log(str.indexOf("Java")); // Expected output: 5
console.log(str.indexOf("java")); // Expected output: -1
```

lastIndexOf(substr)

```
let str = "Intro to programming";
let last = str.lastIndexOf("o");
console.log(last); // Expected output: 11
```

Extracting Substrings



substring(startIndex, endIndex)

```
let str = "I am JavaScript developer";
let sub = str.substring(5, 10);
console.log(sub); // Expected output: JavaS
```

String Operations



replace(search, replacement)

```
let text = "Hello, john@softuni.bg, you have been
using john@softuni.bg in your registration.";
let replacedText = text.replace(".bg", ".com");
console.log(replacedText);
// Hello, john@softuni.com, you have been using
john@softuni.bg in your registration.
```

Splitting and Finding



split(separator)

```
let text = "I love fruits";
let words = text.split(' ');
console.log(words); // Expected output: ['I', 'Love', 'fruits']
```

includes(substr)

```
let text = "I love fruits.";
console.log(text.includes("fruits")); // Expected output: True
console.log(text.includes("banana")); // Expected output: False
```

Repeating Strings



repeat(count) - Creates a new string repeated count times

```
let n = 3;
for(let i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
  console.log('*'.repeat(i));
}</pre>
```



Trimming Strings



Use trim() method to remove whitespaces (spaces, tabs, no-break space, etc.) from both ends of a string

```
let text = " Annoying spaces ";
console.log(text.trim()); // Expected output: "Annoying spaces"
```

 Use trimStart() or trimEnd() to remove whitespaces only at the beginning or at the end

```
let text = " Annoying spaces ";

text = text.trimStart(); text = text.trimEnd();

console.log(text); // Expected output: "Annoying spaces"
```

Starts With/Ends with



 Use startsWith() to determine whether a string begins with the characters of a specified substring

```
let text = "My name is John";
console.log(text.startsWith('My')); // Expected output: true
```

 Use endsWith() to determine whether a string ends with the characters of a specified substring

```
let text = "My name is John";
console.log(text.endsWith('John')); // Expected output: true
```

Padding at the Start and End



Use padStart() to add to the current string another substring at the start until a length is reached

```
let text = "010";
console.log(text.padStart(8, '0')); // Expected output: 00000010
```

 Use padEnd() to add to the current string another substring at the end until a length is reached

```
let sentence = "He passed away";
console.log(sentence.padEnd(20, '.'));
// Expected output: He passed away.....
```

Summary



- JS is a high-level programming language
- Conditional statement if-else, switch-case
- Loops for-loop, while-loop
- Data Types
 - String, Number, Boolean, Null, Undefined
- Array
 - Methods
- Associative Array





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