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# JS: JavaScript Fundamentals

CCSW 321 (Web Development)

### What will be covered

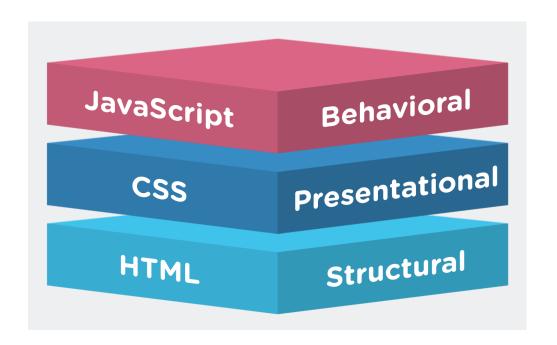
- JS Introduction.
- Variables and Scope.
- Datatypes and Operators.
- Functions and Objects.
- Arrays.
- Exception Handling.

### What will be covered

- It is **important** to understand that we will **not** cover every JavaScript aspect. We aim to introduce the important concepts to you.
- You need to get hands-on experience with JavaScript to gain a deeper understanding of these concepts.
- It is recommended that you try to do JavaScript mini projects by yourself.

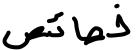
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- **JavaScript** often abbreviated as JS, is a programming language that is one of the core technologies of the World Wide Web, alongside HTML and CSS.
- JavaScript is used to describe behavior, i.e., add functionality or interactivity.



BE AWARE
Java != JavaScript

### JavaScript...



### **1** • Object-oriented.

Everything is an object, including primitives and functions.

#### 2 • Interpreted language.

- Native execution in browser. There's no compilation by the developer. Modern browsers use a technology known as **Just-In-Time (JIT) compilation**, which compiles JavaScript to executable bytecode just as it is about to run.
- There is no "main method". The script file is executed from top to bottom. However, classes and functions are moved to the top of the scope in which it's defined no matter where you place them in the code.
- The **loading order** of files **in** your **HTML** is important. You should **first** load all your **dependencies**, and then load your own code.

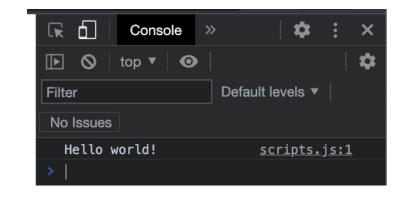
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### JavaScript...

- **3. Dynamically typed** (like Python).
  - No declared type, but values have types.
- Y JavaScript is case sensitive.
  - Not using the proper uppercase and lowercase letters is a syntax error.
- **5** Semicolons are optional.
  - However, still use them to end statements.

- **HTML** can embed JavaScript files into the web page via the **<script>** tag.
- You can print log messages in JavaScript console by calling console.log();

#### index.html



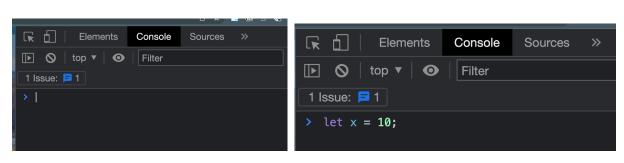
#### script.js

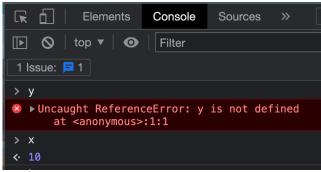
```
console.log('Hello world!');
```

- Tools for working with JavaScript:
  - Code Editor: Recommendation is VS Code.



- Modern browser: Recommendation is Google Chrome.
- Console: We will start with the browser's console.





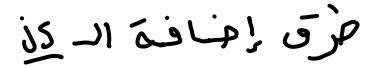
JS code can be written directly in console. Also, you can interact with any existing JavaScript code that is embedded/loaded in the page.

The console prints out your errors. Use it to debug your code!

- The echo system around JavaScript is growing rapidly. Here is a quick summary to help you gain a better overall understanding.
  - JavaScript (JS): The core language. Sometimes referred to as Vanilla JavaScript..
  - **ECMAScript**: The browser's implementation of the JS language specification, i.e., how the language should be implemented by the browser.
  - React, Vue, Angular: JavaScript frameworks that help us build front-end web applications. For example, React simplifies how we mix HTML and JS code.
  - NPM, WebPack, Gulp: Build and infrastructure tools that helps us optimize our JavaScript code and environment. For example, NPM is a dependency manager that we use to install and update all the libraries we use as part of our project.
  - **Node.js:** JavaScript server runtime environment. It is used to run JavaScript outside the browser, i.e., on the server.

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### Including JavaScript to a page



- We can add JavaScript code to a page using the **<script>** tag.
- We can use an **inline** approach, an **embedded** approach, or **external file** approach:

#### **Inline JS**



<button onclick=
"console.log('You
Clicked Me');" >
This is a button
</button>

#### **Embedded JS**

```
<head>
  <script>
  console.log('You
  Clicked Me');
```

</ script >

</head>

#### **External JS**



```
<head>
<script
src="scripts.js">
</head>
```

#### script.js

console.log('Hello world!');

- The **placement** of the <script> tag that allows us to include our JavaScript code can **affect its run time**.
  - Placing <script> inside the <head> tag will result in the code being executed before the page is loaded.
  - Placing <script> at the end of the <body> tag will result in the code being executed after the page is completely loaded.
- Often, JavaScript is included in the <head> section of the HTML5 document. We can add the defer attribute to request that our code is run only after the page is loaded. In JavaScript we usually manipulate the content of the page, thus, we need the page to be fully loaded before we run our JS code. Otherwise, we will run into the null error.

```
    ▶ Uncaught TypeError: scripts.js:2
    Cannot read properties of null
    (reading 'innerText')
    at scripts.js:2:43
```

**Including JavaScript** as an **external file** is the recommended approach. Why?

- **1** Separate behavior from content and presentation.
- 2 Define behavior once and re-use for different pages.
- **Beasier modification**: When changes to the behavior are required, you need to modify only a single JS file to make style changes across all the pages.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
    <head>
        <meta charset="utf-8">
            <title>First JS Example</title>
            <script src="script.js" defer></script>
        </head>
        <body>
        </body>
        </html>
```

Do not forget to use the **defer** keyword

• JavaScript has a similar syntax to the Java/c/c++ programming languages. You have already extensively studied at least one of those languages in previous courses.

#### Variables:

```
let x = 10;
let name = "Moayad";
```

#### **Conditionals:**

```
if (condition) {
    exprIfTrue;
}else{
    exprIfFalse;
}

condition ? exprIfTrue : exprIfFalse;
```

#### **Comments:**

```
// comment or /* comment */
```

#### Loops

```
for (let i = 0; i < 5; i++) { ... }
```

```
while (notFinished) { ... }
```

#### **Functions**

```
function name(arg1, arg2) {
    statement;
    statement;
    return ...;
}
name(..,..);
```

```
Arrow
function

const name = (arg1, arg2) => {
    statement;
    statement;
    return ...;
}
name(..,..);
```

#### **Arrays:**

```
let x = [20,70];//option 1
let y = new Array(20,70);//option 2

//accessing values
console.log(x[0]);
console.log(y[1]);
```

#### **Objects**

```
let z = {name:"moayad", age:35};

//accessing values
console.log(z.name);
console.log(z.age);
```

# يظلع مسندوق JS Introduction

- We can use the prompt() method to request user's input.
- We can use the document.write() or document.writeln() methods to add HTMI

#### to a page using JavaScript.

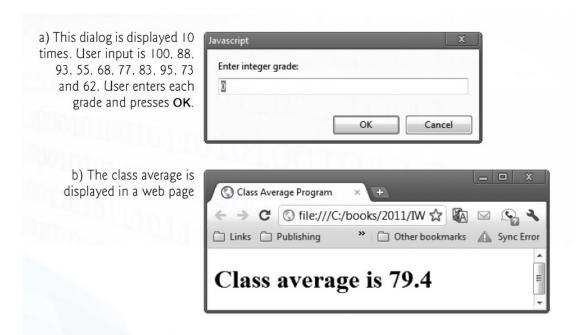
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
    <!-- Fig. 7.7: average.html -->
    <!-- Counter-controlled repetition to calculate a class average.
    <html>
       <head>
          <meta charset = "utf-8">
          <title>Class Average Program</title>
          <script>
             var total: // sum of grades
12
             var gradeCounter; // number of grades entered
              var grade: // grade typed by user (as a string)
              var gradeValue: // grade value (converted to integer)
              var average; // average of all grades
15
17
             // initialization phase
18
             total = 0; // clear total
             gradeCounter = 1; // prepare to loop
19
20
```

ig. 7.7 | Counter-controlled repetition to calculate a class average.Part 1 of 4.)

```
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             // processing phase
22
             while ( gradeCounter <= 10 ) // loop 10 times</pre>
23
24
25
                // prompt for input and read grade from user
                grade = window.prompt( "Enter integer grade:", "0" );
26
27
28
                // convert grade from a string to an integer
29
                gradeValue = parseInt( grade );
30
31
                // add gradeValue to total
32
                total = total + gradeValue:
33
                // add 1 to gradeCounter
34
35
                gradeCounter = gradeCounter + 1;
36
             } // end while
37
             // termination phase
38
39
             average = total / 10; // calculate the average
40
             // display average of exam grades
41
             document.writeln(
                "<h1>Class average is " + average + "</h1>" );
43
44
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          </script>
       </head><body></body>
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    </html>
```

**Fig. 7.7** | Counter-controlled repetition to calculate a class average. (Part 3 of 4.)

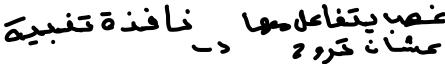
- We can use the **prompt()** method to request user's input.
- We can use the document.write() or document.writeln() methods to add HTML to a page using JavaScript.



**Fig. 7.7** | Counter-controlled repetition to calculate a class average. (Part 4 of 4.)

We can also show messages to a user by displaying text in an alert Dialog

using the alert() method.



• Useful to display information in windows that "pop up" on the screen to grab user's attention.

Title bar

Clicking the **OK** button

dismisses the dialog.

- Typically used to display important messages to the user browsing the web page.
- Browser's window object uses method alert to display an alert dialog.
- Method alert requires as its argument the string to be displayed.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
 2
    <!-- Fig. 6.3: welcome3.html -->
    <!-- Alert dialog displaying multiple lines. -->
    <html>
       <head>
           <meta charset = "utf-8">
 7
 8
          <title>Printing Multiple Lines in a Dialog Box</title>
9
           <script type = "text/javascript">
10
11
              window.alert( "Welcome to\nJavaScript\nProgramming!" );
              // -->
12
13
           </script>
14
       </head>
15
           <Click Refresh (or Reload) to run this script again.</p>
16
17
       </body>
    </html>
```

Fig. 6.3 | Alert dialog displaying multiple lines. (Part 2 of 2.)

Welcome to

Programming!

JavaScript

Fig. 6.3 | Alert dialog displaying multiple lines. (Part 1 of 2.)

Mouse cursor

OK 12

- JS variables do not have types, but the values do.
- There are multiple main JavaScript types, aka, primitive types:
- **1** Number: everything is a double (no integers).
- **2 String**: in 'single' or "double-quotes".
- **Boolean**: true or false.
- **4**° Null: an "intentionally absent" value. حنه العام العام
- آه د الله عبر صروف Undefined: the value of a variable with no value assigned.
- **Object:** a collection of related data and/or functionality.

```
// numbers
let x = 10;//int
let v = 10.5;//float
console.log("Value = ",x,", type = "
console.log("Value = ",y,", type = " , typeof(y));
//strings
x = "Moayad";
console.log("Value = ",x,", type = " , typeof(x));
//boolean
x = true;
v = false;
console.log("Value = ",x,", type = " , typeof(x));
console.log("Value = ",y,", type = " , typeof(y));
//undefined
x = undefined;
let z:
console.log("Value = ",x,", type = " , typeof(x));
console.log("Value = ",z,", type = " , typeof(z));
//objects
//null
x = null;
             Note that an empty string != null
v = "";
console.log("Value = ",x,", type = " , typeof(x));
console.log("x==null? ",(x==null));
console.log("x==''? ",(y==null));
//array
x = [20, "k"];
console.log("Value = ",x,", type = " , typeof(x));
//object
z = \{name: "moayad", age:35\};
console.log("Value = ",z,", type = " , typeof(z));
```

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Value = 10.5, type = number
                                                        script.js:9
Value = Moayad , type = string
                                                       script.js:13
Value = true , type = boolean
                                                       script.js:18
Value = false , type = boolean
                                                       script.js:19
Value = undefined , type = undefined
                                                       script.js:25
Value = undefined , type = undefined
                                                       script.js:26
Value = null , type = object
                                                       script.js:32
x==null? true
                                                       script.js:33
x==''? false
                                                       script.js:34
Value = \triangleright (2) [20, 'k'], type = object
                                                       script.js:37
Value = ▶ {name: 'moayad', age: 35} , type = object
                                                       script.js:40
```

Several ways to define a variable.

```
let x; //defines x, no initial value (undefined)
let y=10; //defines and initializes y
const z=50; //defines a constant value of z (can't change)
```

• There is also the 'var' keyword. However, avoid using var. Why?

```
var x=10; //defines and initializes x
```

let creates a block scoped variable.

What does that mean?

- Variable scope refers to the accessibility or visibility of a variable within a particular context in a JavaScript program. The scope determines where the variable can be accessed and modified.
- In JavaScript, there are two types of variable scopes: **global scope** and **local scope**.
- Global Scope: A variable declared outside of any function has global scope. It can be accessed from any part of the program, including any function, and can be modified accordingly.

- If a variable is declared without the var, let, or const keyword, it automatically becomes a global variable, even if it is declared inside a function.
- The local scope can be divided into function scope, block scope, and lexical scope.
- **?:\ Function Scope**: A variable declared inside a function has function scope. It can be accessed and modified only within the function where it is declared.

7.7 Block Scope: A variable declared inside a block statement

(within curly braces) has block scope. It can be accessed only

within the block where it is declared.

```
//Global Scope
function setGlobalVar() {
  globalVar = 30; // globalVar is declared without the 'var' keyword
setGlobalVar():
console.log(globalVar); // Output: 30
//Function Scope
function addNumbers() {
 var num1 = 5; // num1 has function scope
 var num2 = 10; // num2 has function scope
 var sum = num1 + num2;
  console.log(sum);
addNumbers(); // Output: 15
console.log(num1); // Output: ReferenceError: num1 is not defined
//Block Scope
if (true) {
 let x = 10; // x has block scope
  console.log(x); // Output: 10
console.log(x); // Output: ReferenceError: x is not defined
```

scope difference var vs. let and const:

```
var x = 10;
if (x > 0) {
  var i = 10;//accessible outside
}
console.log('Value of i is ' + i);
```

```
let x = 10;
if (x > 0) {
  let i = 10;//accessible only here
}
console.log('Value of i is ' + i);
```

Output: Value of i is 10

Output: 

\* Discought ReferenceError: i is not defined at script.js:58:47

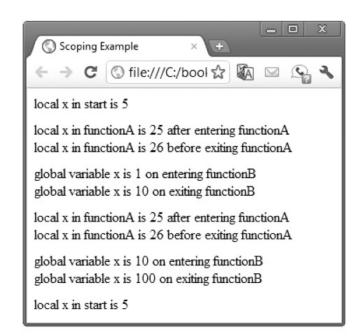
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- Variables declared with "var" do not go out of scope at the end of blocks; only at the end of functions.
- Variables declared with "let", "const" have block-scope, so accessing the variable outside the block results in an error.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
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    <!-- Fig. 9.9: scoping.html -->
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    <!-- Scoping example. -->
    <html>
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        <head>
                                                                        50
           <meta charset = "utf-8">
                                                                        51
           <title>Scoping Example</title>
                                                                        52
           <style type = "text/css">
                                                                        53
                                                                        54
                        { margin: 0px; }
                                                                        55
               p.space { margin-top: 10px; }
11
           </style>
12
13
          <script>
             var output: // stores the string to display
             var x = 1; // global variable
15
17
             function start()
                var x = 5; // variable local to function start
19
20
                output = "local x in start is " + x + "";
21
22
                functionA(); // functionA has local x
23
24
                functionB(); // functionB uses global variable x
                functionA(); // functionA reinitializes local x
25
                functionB(); // global variable x retains its value
26
27
28
                output += "local x in start is " + x +
                   "";
29
                document.getElementById( "results" ).innerHTML = output;
30
31
             } // end function start
32
33
           function functionA()
34
35
              var x = 25; // initialized each time functionA is called
36
37
              output += "local x in functionA is " + x +
38
                 " after entering functionA";
39
              output += "local x in functionA is " + x +
40
                 " before exiting functionA":
41
           } // end functionA
42
```

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```
function functionB()
               output += "global variable x is " + x +
                  " on entering functionB";
48
               x *= 10:
               output += "global variable x is " + x +
                  " on exiting functionB":
            } // end functionB
            window.addEventListener( "load", start, false );
         </script>
       </head>
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       <body>
57
          <div id = "results"></div>
58
       </body>
    </html>
```

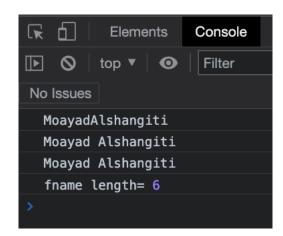


#### Working with string.

- Can be defined with single or double quotes.
- Can use plus for string concatenation.
- Can check size via length property (not function)

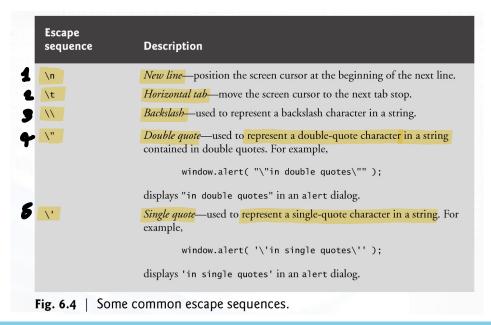
```
let fname = "Moayad";
let lname = "Alshangiti";

console.log(fname+lname);
console.log(fname+" "+lname);
console.log(fname,lname);
console.log("fname length=", fname.length);
```



### Working with string.

• **Escape Sequences**: When a backslash is encountered in a string of characters, the next character is combined with the backslash to form an escape sequence. The escape sequence \n is the newline character. It causes the cursor in the HTML5 document to move to the beginning of the next line.



### Working with number.

- All numbers are of type double.
- A few special values: NaN (not-a-number), +Infinity, -Infinity.
- The Math class can be handy.

Math Constant examples		
Math.E	Math.PI	
Math.SQRT2	Math.LOG10E	

Math method examples		
max(a, b)	min(a, b)	
random()	round(x)	
sqrt(x)	pow(a,b)	

#### Working with boolean.

- There are two literal values for boolean: true and false that behave as you would expect.
- We can use the usual Boolean operators (&&,||,!, etc).

```
if(fname=="Moayad" && lname=="Alshangiti"){...}
```

- Non-boolean values can be used in control statements, which get converted to their "truthy" or "falsy" value:
  - onull, undefined, 0, NaN, ", "" will evaluate to false.
  - Everything else will evaluate to true.

#### Working with boolean.

Be aware that JS equality operators do implicit type conversion before checks:

```
'' == '0' // false
'' == 0 // true
0 == '0' // true
NaN == NaN // false
[''] == '' // true
false == undefined // false
false == null // false
null == undefined // true
```

How can we fix this issue?

#### Working with boolean.

• Instead of fixing == and != , the ECMAScript standard kept the existing behavior but added === and !==

```
'' === '0' // false
'' === 0 // false

0 === '0' // false
NaN == NaN // still weirdly false
[''] === '' // false
false === undefined // false
false === null // false
null === undefined // false
```

#### Working with null vs. undefined.

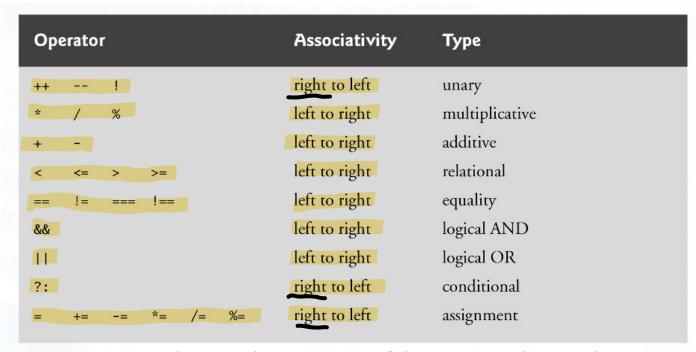
- null is a value representing the absence of a value, similar to null in Java and nullptr in C++
- undefined is the value given to a variable that has not been a value.

```
let x = null;
let y;
console.log(x);
console.log(y);
null
> undefined
>
```

Working with operators.

Standard algebraic equality operator or relational operator	JavaScript equality or relational operator	Sample JavaScript condition	Meaning of JavaScript condition
Equality operators			
=		x == y	x is equal to y
<b>≠</b>	!=	x != y	x is not equal to y
Relational operators			
>	>	x > y	x is greater than y
<	<	x < y	x is less than y
≥	>=	x >= y	x is greater than or equal to y
≤	<=	x <= y	x is less than or equal to y

• Working with operators.



**Fig. 8.16** | Precedence and associativity of the operators discussed so far.

Working with operators.

Assignment operator	Initial value of variable	Sample expression	Explanation	Assigns
+=	c = 3	c += 7	C = C + 7	10 to c
-=	d = 5	d -= 4	d = d - 4	1 to d
*=	e = 4	e *= 5	e = e * 5	20 to e
/=	f = 6	f /= 3	f = f / 3	2 to f
%=	g = 12	g %= 9	g = g % 9	3 to g

Fig. 7.12 | Arithmetic assignment operators.

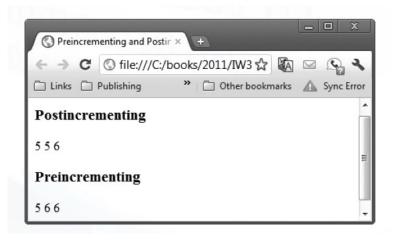
Operator	Example	Called	Explanation
++	++a	preincrement	Increment a by 1, then use the new value of a in the expression in which a resides.
++	a++	postincrement	Use the current value of a in the expression in which a resides, then increment a by 1.
	b	predecrement	Decrement b by 1, then use the new value of b in the expression in which b resides.
	b	postdecrement	Use the current value of b in the expression in which b resides, then decrement b by 1.

Fig. 7.13 | Increment and decrement operators.

## **Datatypes and Operators**

Working with operators.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
2
   <!-- Fig. 7.14: increment.html -->
   <!-- Preincrementing and Postincrementing. -->
    <html>
5
6
       <head>
          <meta charset = "utf-8">
7
8
          <title>Preincrementing and Postincrementing</title>
9
          <script>
10
11
             var c;
12
13
             document.writeln( "<h3>Postincrementing</h3>" );
14
             document.writeln( "" + c ); // prints 5
15
             // prints 5 then increments
16
             document.writeln( " " + c++ );
17
             document.writeln("" + c + ""); // prints 6
18
19
20
             c = 5;
             document.writeln( "<h3>Preincrementing</h3>" );
21
22
             document.writeln( "" + c ); // prints 5
             // increments then prints 6
23
             document.writeln( " " + ++c );
24
             document.writeln("" + c + ""); // prints 6
25
26
27
          </script>
28
       </head><body></body>
    </html>
```





#### **Good Programming Practice 7.5**

For readability, unary operators should be placed next to their operands, with no intervening spaces.

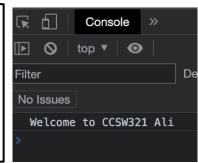
- Functions are blocks of code that can be defined and then called repeatedly throughout your code. They can take parameters as input and can return values as output. Functions are used to organize code, reduce repetition, and make code more modular.
- Functions can be **defined** in several ways:
- **Function Declaration**: This is the most common way to define a function. It involves using the "function" keyword followed by the name of the function, followed by parentheses containing any parameters the function may have, and finally the code block containing the function's code.

```
function hello(name) {
  console.log('Hello!',name);
}
//invoke
hello('Moayad');
```



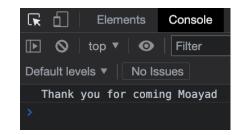
- Functions can be defined in several ways:
- **Function Expression**: This involves assigning a function to a variable. This is useful when you want to pass a function as an argument to another function.

```
const welcome = function(name){
   console.log('Welcome to CCSW321', name);
} //invoke
welcome('Ali');
```



**3** • Arrow Function: This is a newer syntax introduced in ES6. It is a shorthand way of writing a function that does not have its own "this" keyword.

```
const bye = (name) => {
  console.log('Thank you for coming', name)
}//invoke
bye(Moayad');
```



- In addition to user-defined functions, JavaScript offer many useful global functions that we can use:
  - alert(): Displays an alert box with a message and an OK button.
  - **confirm():** Displays a dialog box with a message and OK and Cancel buttons.
  - parseInt(): Parses a string and returns an integer.
  - parseFloat(): Parses a string and returns a floating-point number.
  - isNaN(): Determines whether a value is NaN (Not a Number).
  - **setTimeout():** Calls a function or executes a code snippet after a specified delay.
  - **setInterval():** Calls a function or executes a code snippet repeatedly at a specified interval.

- Objects are used to represent complex data structures consisting of properties and values in JavaScript. An object can have any number of properties, each of which has a name and a value.
- In JavaScript, objects are created using either the object literal notation or the constructor notation.
- The object literal notation is a shorthand way of creating an object by enclosing a comma-separated list of property-value pairs within curly braces { }.

```
let person = {
  name: 'John',
  age: 30,
  occupation: 'Web Developer'
};
```

object with three properties: name, age, and occupation.

• The constructor notation is a way of creating an object using a constructor function. A constructor function is a special type of function that is used to create objects with specific properties and methods

```
function Person(name, age, occupation)
  this.name = name;
  this.age = age;
  this.occupation = occupation;
let person1 = new Person('John', 30,
'Web Developer');
let person2 = new Person('Jane', 25,
'Graphic Designer');
```

Person is a **constructor function** that takes
three parameters: name,
age, and occupation.

The **new keyword** is used to create a new instance of the Person object.

To access the properties of an object, we can use the dot or bracket notation:

```
console.log(person.name); // Output: John
console.log(person['age']); // Output: 30
```

Objects can also have methods, which are functions that are defined as properties of an object.

```
let person = {
  name: 'John',
  age: 30,
  occupation: 'Web Developer',
  sayHello: function() {
    console.log('Hello, my name is ' + this.name);
  }
};

person.sayHello(); // Output: Hello, my name is John
```

You can also use the **this keyword** to refer to the current object within a method.

```
let person = {
 name: 'John',
 age: 30,
 occupation: 'Web Developer',
  sayHello: function() {
    console.log('Hello, my name is ' + this.name);
  },
  getAge: function() {
    return this.age;
  },
  setAge: function(newAge) {
    this.age = newAge;
console.log(person.getAge()); // Output: 30
person.setAge(35);
console.log(person.getAge()); // Output: 35
```

- Arrays are Object types used to create lists of data.
- 0-based indexing.
- Can check size via length property (not function)

```
// creating an array
Let emptylist = []; //empty
let mylist = [1,2,3]; //has 3 elements.
// elements can be of different types
let mixed = ['milk',10,3,'cookie']; //has 4 elements
// accessing elements with index
console.log(mixed[0]); //will print milk
```

- Iterating over elements:
  - **groceries.length:** returns how many elements are in the array.

#### Iterate using for loop:

```
let groceries = ['milk', 'cocoa puffs', 'tea'];
for (let i = 0; i < groceries.length; i++) {
    console.log(groceries[i]);}

Iterate use .forEach:

let groceries = ['milk', 'cocoa puffs', 'tea'];
    groceries.forEach(function(element) {{
        console.log(element);}
    }
</pre>
```

#### Useful methods to know:

```
// sort method sorts arrays
  groceries.sort();
                                   ▶ (3) ['cocoa puffs', 'milk', 'tea']
   join method joins all array elements into a string
  groceries.join(",");
                                  cocoa puffs,milk,tea
// push method adds a new element to array at the end
  groceries.push('apple');
                                 ▶ (4) ['cocoa puffs', 'milk', 'tea', 'apple']
// pop method removes last element from array
  groceries.pop();
                                  ▶ (3) ['cocoa puffs', 'milk', 'tea']
// concat method creates a new array by merging existing arrays
  let sports = ["football", "basketball"];
  groceries.concat(sports);
▶ (5) ['cocoa puffs', 'milk', 'tea', 'football', 'basketball']
```

Useful methods to know:

```
// Get index of value in groceries (-1 if not found):
   groceries.indexOf('milk'); //will return 1

// Return a subarray (also works for strings)
   groceries.slice(1,2);

// Replaces 1 element at index 0

groceries.splice(0,1, 'pepsi');

> (3) ['pepsi', 'milk', 'tea']
```



#### **Software Engineering Observation 10.2**

JavaScript automatically reallocates an array when a value is assigned to an element that's outside the bounds of the array. Elements between the last element of the original array and the new element are undefined.

# **Exception Handling**

- Exception handling is a mechanism that allows you to handle errors or unexpected situations in your code gracefully, rather than letting the program crash or produce incorrect results. In JavaScript, you can use a try-catch statement to handle exceptions.
- Here is how the try-catch statement works:
  - The code that you want to monitor for exceptions is placed inside a try block.
  - If an exception occurs inside the try block, the code execution is immediately transferred to the catch block.
  - The catch block contains code that specifies what to do in case of an exception. It takes one parameter, which is the exception object containing information about the error.

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- The try/catch block:
  - The **try block** contains code that throws an exception using the throw statement. The **catch block** contains code that logs the error object to the console.
  - There are different types of errors in JavaScript, and you can use different types of catch blocks to handle them.

```
try {
   // code that might throw an exception
   throw new Error("Something went wrong");
} catch (error) {
   // code to handle the exception
   console.error(error);
}
```

# JavaScript Example

#### Can you create this simple app?

**Step1**. A JavaScript code creates an **array** of student **objects** with their names, grades, and date of birth.

- "Moayad",[85, 90, 75], "2001-05-20"
- "Ali",[70, 80, 90], "2002-03-15"
- "Osama",[80, 75, 85], "2000-11-10"

**Step2**. The **calculateGPA** function takes in a student object and calculates their GPA based on their grades

**Step3**. The for **loop** at the bottom prints out each **student's information** and their **calculated GPA**.

# JavaScript Example



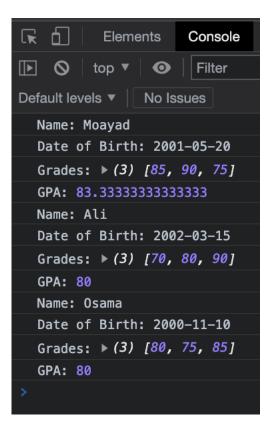
#### Step1

```
Step2
```

```
// Calculate the GPA of each student
function calculateGPA(student) {
  let total = 0;
  for (let i = 0; i < student.grades.length; i++) {
    total += student.grades[i];
  }
  let gpa = total / student.grades.length;
  return gpa;
}</pre>
```

#### Step3

```
// Print out each student's information and GPA
for (let i = 0; i < students.length; i++) {
  console.log('Name:', students[i].name)
  console.log('Date of Birth:', students[i].dob)
  console.log('Grades:', students[i].grades)
  console.log('GPA:', calculateGPA(students[i]))
}</pre>
```





Any questions?
Please feel free to raise your hands and ask.