

JavaScript Number Conversion Notes

Overview

- Convert between strings and numbers for arithmetic or formatting purposes.

Key Concepts

- **String to Number:**

- Use `Number()` to convert strings to numbers (integers or floating-point).
- Example: `var num = Number("24");` → `num` is 24 (integer).
- Example: `var num = Number("24.9876");` → `num` is 24.9876 (floating-point).
- Alternative to `parseInt()` (integers, truncates decimals) and `parseFloat()` (preserves decimals).

- **Number to String:**

- Use `toString()` to convert numbers to strings for formatting.
- Example: `var numberAsNumber = 1234; var numberAsString = numberAsNumber.toString();` → `numberAsString` is "1234".

- **Use Case:**

- Convert numbers to strings for display formatting (e.g., adding commas).
- Convert strings to numbers for arithmetic when `parseInt` or `parseFloat` isn't specific enough.