JS Fundamentals

Arrays, Strings, Objects and Associative Arrays





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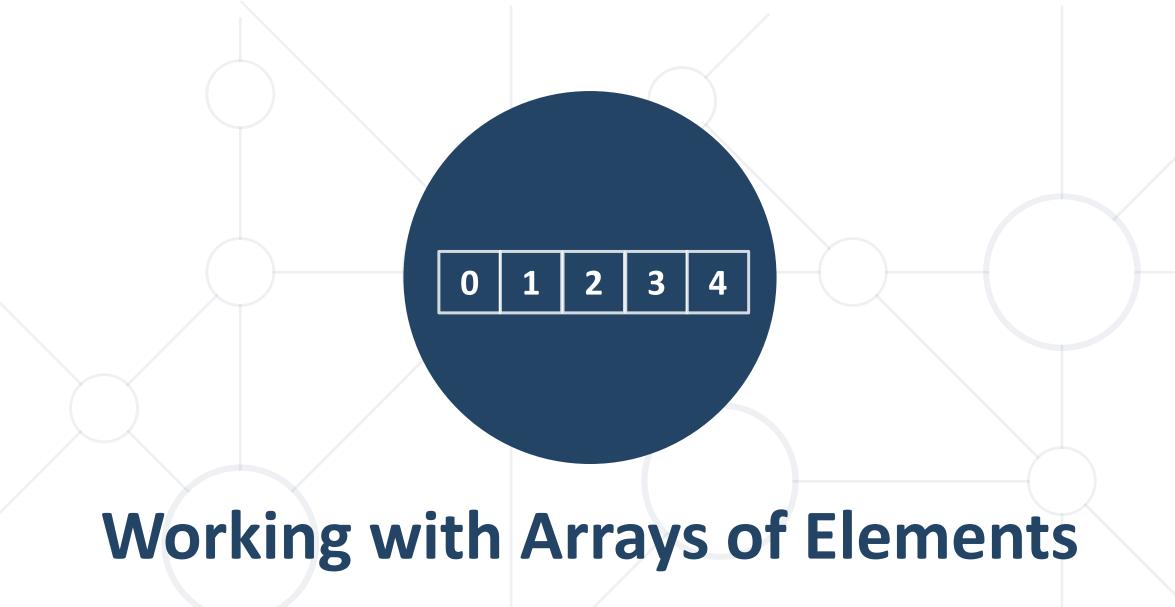
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Arrays in JavaScript

Arrays in JavaScript



- Neither the length of a JavaScript array nor the types of its elements are fixed
- An array's length can be changed at any time
- Data can be stored at non-contiguous locations in the array
- JavaScript arrays are not guaranteed to be dense



Creating Arrays in JavaScript



Array literal

```
let myArray = ["John Doe", 24, true];

let myArray = [];
myArray[0] = "John Doe";
myArray[1] = 24;
myArray[2] = true;
```

Array constructor

```
let myArray = new Array("John Doe", 24, true);
```

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



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);
```

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

```
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.....
```



Definition, Properties and Methods

What Are Objects?



- Structure of related data or functionality
- Contains values accessed by string keys
 - Data values are called properties
 - Function values are called methods

Object	
'name'	'Peter'
'age'	20

Property name (key)

Property value

You can add and remove properties during runtime



Object Definition



We can create an object with an object literal

```
let person = { name: 'Peter', age:20, height:183 };
```

We can define an empty object and add properties later

```
let person = {};
person.name ='Peter';
person.age = 20;
person.hairColor = 'black';
```

```
person['lastName'] = 'Parker';
```

Methods of Objects



- Functions within a JavaScript object are called methods
- We can define methods using several syntaxes:

```
let person = {
   sayHello: function() {
     console.log('Hi, guys');
   }
}
```

```
let person = {
   sayHello() {
     console.log('Hi, guys');
   }
}
```

We can add a method to an already defined object

```
let person = { name: 'Peter', age: 20 };
person.sayHello = () => console.log('Hi, guys');
```

Built-in Method Library



Get array of all property names (keys)

```
Object.keys(cat);
// ['name', 'age']
```

```
cat
'name' 'Tom'
'age' 5
```

Get array with of all property values

```
Object.values(cat);
// ['Tom', 5]
```

Get and array of all properties as key-value tuples

```
Object.entries(cat);
// [['name', 'Tom'], ['age', 5]]
```



Associative Arrays

Storing Key-Value Pairs

What is an Associative Array?



Arrays indexed by string keys



The key is a string

The value can be of any type

Key	Value
John Smith	+1-555-8976
Lisa Smith	+1-555-1234
Sam Doe	+1-555-5030



Declaration



- An associative array in JavaScript is just an object
- We can declare it dynamically

```
let assocArr = {
  'one': 1,
  'two': 2,
  'three': 3,
  [key]: 6
};
```

Quotes are used if the key contains special characters

```
assocArr['four'] = 4;
```

```
assocArr.five = 5;
```

```
let key = 'six';
assocArr[key] = 6;
```

Valid ways to access values through keys

Using for – in



We can use for-in loop to iterate through the keys

```
let assocArr = {};
assocArr['one'] = 1;
assocArr['two'] = 2;
assocArr['three'] = 3;
for(let key in assocArr) {
   console.log(key + " = " + assocArr[key]);
```

```
// one = 1
// two = 2
// three = 3
```



Manipulating Associative Arrays



Check if a key is present

```
let assocArr = { /* entries */ };
if (assocArr.hasOwnProperty('John Smith')) { /* Key found */ }
```

Remove entries

```
delete assocArr['John Smith'];
```

Sorting Associative Arrays



- Objects cannot be sorted, they must be converted first
 - Convert to array for sorting, filtering and mapping

```
let phonebook = { 'Tim': '0876566344'
                   'Bill': '0896543112' };
let entries = Object.entries(phonebook);
console.log(entries); // Array of arrays with two elements
                                                             each
// [ ['Tim', '0876566344']
   ['Bill', '0896543112'] ]
                                       The entry is turned into an
                                          array of [key, value]
let firstEntry = entries[0];
console.log(firstEntry[0]); // Entry key -> 'Tim'
console.log(firstEntry[1]); // Entry value -> '0876566344'
```

Sorting By Key



- The entries array can be sorted, using a Compare function
 - To sort by key, use the first element of each entry

```
entries.sort((a, b) => {
    keyA = a[0];
    keyB = b[0];
    // Perform comparison and return negative, 0 or positive
});
```

You can also destructure the entries

```
entries.sort(([keyA, valueA],[keyB, valueB]) => {
   // Perform comparison and return negative, 0 or positive
});
```

Array and Object Destructuring



- The destructuring assignment syntax makes it possible to unpack values from arrays, or properties from objects, into distinct variables
- On the left-hand side of the assignment to define what values to unpack from the sourced variable

```
const x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
const [y, z] = x;
console.log(y); // 1
console.log(z); // 2
```

```
obj = { a: 1, b: 2 };
const { a, b } = obj;
// is equivalent to:
// const a = obj.a;
// const b = obj.b;
```

Sorting By Value



To sort by value, use the second element of each entry

```
entries.sort((a, b) => {
  valueA = a[1];
  valueB = b[1];
  // Perform comparison and return negative, 0 or positive
});
```

You can also destructure the entries

```
entries.sort(([keyA, valueA],[keyB, valueB]) => {
   // Perform comparison and return negative, 0 or positive
});
```



Functions Overview

Definition and Objectives

Functions in JS



- A function is a named subprogram designed to perform a particular task
 - Functions are executed when they are called. This is known as invoking a function
 - Values can be passed into functions and used within the function

Use camelCase

Parameter

```
function printStars(count) {
  console.log("*".repeat(count));
}
```



Declaring Function



- Functions can be declared in two ways:
 - Function declaration (recommended way)

```
function printText(text) {
  console.log(text);
}
```

- Functions can have parameters
- Functions always return a value (custom or default)

Invoking a Function



Functions are first declared, then invoked (many times)

```
function hLine() {
  console.log("----");
}
```

Functions can be invoked (called) by their name

```
hLine();
```

Invocation from another function

```
function printDocument() {
  printLabel();
}
```

Functions Without Parameters



- Does not receive arguments when invoked
- The result is always the same (unless it reads data from outside)

```
function printHeader() {
  console.log('~~~ {@} -~~~');
  console.log('~~ Certificate -~');
  console.log('~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~');
}
printHeader(); // Output is always the same
```

Functions With Parameters



Can receive any number and type of arguments when invoked

```
function printName(nameArr) {
  console.log(nameArr[0] + ' ' + nameArr[1]);
}
  Pass array of strings
printName(['John', 'Smith']); // John Smith
```

The Return Statement



- The return keyword immediately stops the function's execution
- Returns the specified value to the caller

```
function readFullName(firstName, lastName) {
  return firstName + " " + lastName;
}

const fullName = readFullName("John", "Smith");
console.log(fullName) //John Smith
```

Using the Return Values



- Return value can be
 - Assigned to a variable

```
let max = getMax(5, 10);
```

Used in expression

```
let total = getPrice() * quantity * 1.20;
```

Passed to another function

```
multiply(getMax(5,10), 20)
```

Arrow Functions



- Special shorthand syntax for declaration
- They operate in the context of their enclosing scope
- Useful in functional programming

```
let increment = x => x + 1;
console.log(increment(5)); // 6

let increment = function(x) {
  return x + 1;
}

let sum = (a, b) => a + b;
console.log(sum(5, 6)); // 11
```

First-Class Functions



- First-class functions are treated like any other variable
 - Passed as an argument
 - Returned by another function
 - We can do that, because we treated functions in JavaScript as a value
 - Assigned as a value to a variable

```
const write = function () {
   return "Hello, world!";
}
```

Higher-Order Functions



- Can take other functions as arguments
- Can return a function

```
const numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
const squared = numbers.map(num => num * num);
console.log(squared); // Output: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
```

```
function greaterThan(n)
{
   return m => m > n;
}
let greaterThan10 = greaterThan(10);
console.log(greaterThan10(11)); // Output: true
```

Summary



- Arrays in JS can hold mixed data
- Various methods for working with them
- Strings can be manipulated
- Objects == structure of related data
- Associative arrays == arrays indexed by key-value
- Functions in JS == named subprograms
 - Designed to perform particular tasks





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