

# JS-CC-013: Bracket Validator

Let's say:

- '(', '{', '[' are called "openers."
- ')', '}', ']' are called "closers."

Write an efficient function that tells us whether or not an input string's openers and closers are properly nested.

#### **Examples:**

- "{ [ ] ( ) }" should return true
- "{ [ ( ] ) }" should return false
- "{ [ }" should return false
- Simply making sure each opener has a corresponding closer is not enough—we must also confirm that they are correctly ordered.
- For example, "{ [ ( ] ) }" should return false, even though each opener can be matched to a closer.

## **Learning Outcomes**

At the end of the this coding challenge, students will be able to;

- Analyze a problem, identify and apply programming knowledge for appropriate solution.
- Demonstrate their knowledge of algorithmic design principles by using JavaScript and Python effectively.

#### **Problem Statement**

 Write a function that takes series of brackets and returns true or false depending on the rules above.

⊕ Happy Coding 
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### **JavaScript**

```
function isValid(code) {
    // write your code here
}

/* *** Tests *** */

let desc = "valid short code";
    assertEqual(isValid("()"), true, desc);

desc = "valid longer code";
    assertEqual(isValid("([]{[]})[]{{}()}"), true, desc);

desc = "mismatched opener and closer";
    assertEqual(isValid("([][]]"), false, desc);
```

```
desc = "missing closer";
assertEqual(isvalid("[[]()"), false, desc);

desc = "extra closer";
assertEqual(isvalid("[[]]())"), false, desc);

desc = "empty string";
assertEqual(isvalid(""), true, desc);

function assertEqual(a, b, desc) {
  if (a === b) {
    console.log(`${desc} ... PASS`);
  } else {
    console.log(`${desc} ... FAIL: ${a} != ${b}`);
  }
}
```

#### **Python**

```
import unittest
def is_valid(code):
   # write your code here
    pass
# *** Tests ***
class Test(unittest.TestCase):
    def test_valid_short_code(self):
        result = is_valid("()")
        self.assertTrue(result)
   def test_valid_longer_code(self):
        result = is_valid("([]{[]})[]{{}()}")
        self.assertTrue(result)
   def test_interleaved_openers_and_closers(self):
        result = is_valid("([)]")
        self.assertFalse(result)
   def test_mismatched_opener_and_closer(self):
        result = is_valid("([][])")
        self.assertFalse(result)
    def test_missing_closer(self):
        result = is_valid("[[]()")
        self.assertFalse(result)
    def test_extra_closer(self):
        result = is_valid("[[]]())")
        self.assertFalse(result)
    def test_empty_string(self):
        result = is_valid("")
        self.assertTrue(result)
```

unittest.main(verbosity=2)