

Chapter 2 (Arrays-Part 1)

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Javascript Array Defined :-

- Linear collection of elements where the elements can be accessed via indices .

Creating Arrays :-



01

By declaring an array variable using the [].

```
Var numbers = [];
```

02

Creating array by declare array variable with a set of element .

```
Var numbers = [1,2,3,4];
```

03

Creating an array by calling the array constructor.

```
Var numbers = new Array();
```

04

Creating an array by calling the array constructor with a set of element as arguments.

```
Var numbers = new Array(1,2,3,4);
```



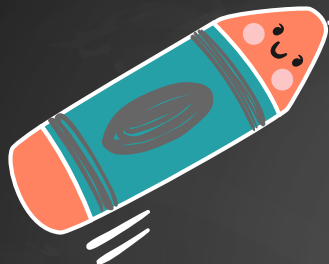


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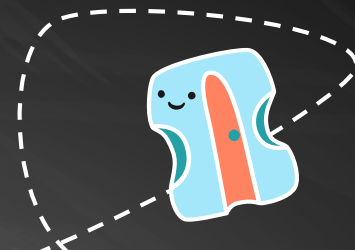
Javascript array elements do not all have to be of the same type .

```
Var objects = [ 1, "joe", true, null ]
```

Creating Arrays from String :-



Arrays can be created as the result of calling the `split()` function on a string. This function breaks up a string at a common delimiter, such as a space for each word, and creates an array consisting of the individual parts of the string.



```
1 var sentence = "the quick brown fox jumped over";
2 var words = sentence.split(" ");
3 for (var i = 0; i < words.length; ++i) {
4   console.log("word " + i + ": " + words[i]);
5 }
6 console.log(words)
7 console.log(typeof(words))
```

Console ×

word 0: the

word 1: quick

word 2: brown

word 3: fox

word 4: jumped

word 5: over

▼ (6) ["the", "quick", "brown", "fox", "ju..."]

0: "the"

1: "quick"

2: "brown"

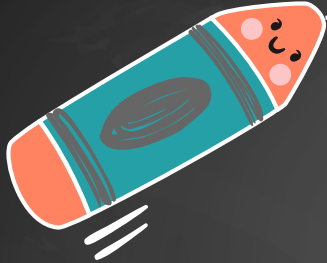
3: "fox"

4: "jumped"

5: "over"

object

Aggregate Array Operations :-



Assign one array to another array but when you assign one array to another array , you are assigning a reference to the assigned that lead to make a change to the array original array , the change is reflected in the other array .



```
1  var nums = [];  
2  for (var i = 0 ; i < 100 ; ++i)  
3  { nums[i] = i+1 ; }  
4  var samenums = nums ;  
5  nums[0] = 400 ;  
6  console.log(samenums[0]) ;  
7  
8
```

Console ×

400

Accessor Functions :-



JavaScript provides a set of functions you can use to access the elements of an array



01

Searching for a Value

One of the most commonly used accessor functions is `indexOf()`. the function returns the index position of the argument. If the argument is not found in the array, the function returns -1

02

String Representations of Arrays

There are two functions that return string representations of an array: `join()` and `toString()`

03

Creating New Arrays from Existing Arrays

There are two accessor functions that allow you create new arrays from existing arrays: `concat()` and `splice()`.

- The `concat()` function allows you to put together two or more arrays to create a new array .
- the `splice()` function allows you to create a new array from a subset of an existing array .

A cartoon pencil character with a smiling face, orange body, and blue eraser, positioned at the top left of the oval.

shallow copy

The background is dark grey with white chalk-like scribbles. There are colorful abstract shapes: a pink blob at the top right, a blue blob at the bottom left, and a yellow dot at the bottom right. A wavy line and a triangle ruler are also present at the bottom right.

shallow copy

is new array simply points to the original array's elements. A better alternative is to make a deep copy, so that each of the original array's elements is actually copied to the new array's elements. An effective way to do this is to create a function to perform the task :-

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```
1  var nums = [ ] ;
2  for ( var i = 0; i < 100; ++i ) {
3    nums[i] = i+1;
4  }
5  var samenums = [ ] ;
6  //Copy ( nums , samenums ) ;
7  samenums = Array.from(nums);
8  nums[0] = 400 ;
9  console.log(samenums[0]) ; // displays 1
```

Console ×

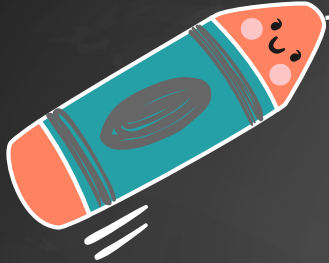
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Mutator Functions :-

- JavaScript has a set of mutator functions that allow you to modify the contents of an array without referencing the individual elements. These functions often make hard techniques easy .
- EX :- `Push()` , `Pop()` , `Shift()` , `Unshift()` , ...

Iterator Functions :-



Non-Array-Generating Iterator Functions

Not generate a new array .
they either perform an operation on each element of
an array or generate a single value from an array .
(`forEach()`, `every()`, `some()`, `reduce()`, `reduceRight()`)

Iterator Functions That Return a New Array

Iterator functions that return new arrays .
(`map()`, `filter()`)