

## 1. What is Regular expression in JavaScript?

A regular expression, often abbreviated as "regex" or "regexp," is a sequence of characters that define a search pattern. In JavaScript, regular expressions are objects that allow you to perform pattern matching and search operations within strings.

Regular expressions can be used for various tasks such as:

- Searching for patterns within a string.
- Validating input to ensure it matches a desired format.
- Replacing parts of a string based on a pattern.
- Extracting specific information from strings.

In JavaScript, regular expressions can be created using the `RegExp` constructor or by using a literal syntax enclosed between slashes (`/`).

**test(string):** This method tests whether a string contains a match for the regular expression pattern. It returns **true** if a match is found, otherwise **false**.

```
1 var regex = /pattern/;
2 var str = "Some text containing pattern";
3 console.log(regex.test(str));
4
```

node /tmp/V9ZtwNWimi.js  
true

**exec(string):** This method searches for a match within a string and returns an array containing information about the match. If no match is found, it returns **null**.

```
1 var regex = /pattern/;
2 var str = "Some text containing pattern";
3 console.log(regex.exec(str));
4
```

node /tmp/sL7kYnktPk.js  
[  
 'pattern',  
 index: 21,  
 input: 'Some text containing pattern',  
 groups: undefined  
]

**match(string):** This method is available on strings and works similarly to **exec()**. It searches for a match within the string and returns an array containing information about the match, or **null** if no match is found.

```
1 var str = "Some text containing pattern";
2 console.log(str.match(/pattern/));
3
```

node /tmp/3Q4C8TYhTw.js  
[  
 'pattern',  
 index: 21,  
 input: 'Some text containing pattern',  
 groups: undefined  
]

**search(string):** This method searches for a match within a string and returns the index of the first occurrence of the match, or **-1** if no match is found.

```
1 var str = "Some text containing pattern";
2 console.log(str.search(/pattern/));
3
```

node /tmp/29C0ydD9j8.js  
21  
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**replace(string, replacement):** This method searches a string for a specified pattern, and replaces matches with a replacement string.

```
1 var str = "Some text containing pattern";
2 console.log(str.replace(/pattern/, "replacement"));
```

node /tmp/7znvKRfxqw.js  
Some text containing replacement

**split(string):** This method splits a string into an array of substrings using a regular expression pattern as a delimiter.

```
1 var str = "Hello World";
2 console.log(str.split(/\s+/));
3
```

node /tmp/jagUN589wQ.js  
[ 'Hello', 'World' ]

**map():**

The `map()` method creates a new array populated with the results of calling a provided function on every element in the calling array.

```
1 const numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
2
3 const squaredNumbers = numbers.map(function(num) {
4   return num * num;
5 });
6
7 console.log(squaredNumbers);
8
```

node /tmp/mu0Wszisp9.js  
[ 1, 4, 9, 16, 25 ]

**findIndex():**

The `findIndex()` method returns the index of the first element in the array that satisfies the provided testing function. Otherwise, it returns `-1`.

```
1 const numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50];
2
3 const index = numbers.findIndex(function(num) {
4   return num > 25;
5 });
6
7 console.log(index);
8
```

node /tmp/ZDs2vK1bdd.js  
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**find():**

The `find()` method returns the value of the first element in the array that satisfies the provided testing function. Otherwise, it returns `undefined`.

```
1 const numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50];
2
3 const foundNumber = numbers.find(function(num) {
4   return num > 25;
5 });
6
7 console.log(foundNumber);
8
```

node /tmp/beTs1pDtyK.js  
30

filter():

The filter() method creates a new array with all elements that pass the test implemented by the provided function.

```
1 const numbers = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50];
2
3 const filteredNumbers = numbers.filter(function(num) {
4   return num > 25;
5 });
6
7 console.log(filteredNumbers);
8
```

node /tmp/e1cPE9BJof.js  
[ 30, 40, 50 ]