



CSB4301 - WEB TECHNOLOGY B.Tech – V Semester UNIT II

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Strings & Manipulations



String Length

The length property returns the length of a string:

let txt = "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ"; txt.length // Returns 26



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Properties</h2>
The length property returns the length of a string:
<script>
let text = "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = text.length;
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



Extracting String Parts

There are 3 methods for extracting a part of a string:

- slice(start, end)
- substring(start, end)
- substr(start, length)



The slice() Method

slice() extracts a part of a string and returns the extracted part in a new string.

The method takes 2 parameters: the start position, and the end position (end not included).

This example slices out a portion of a string from position 7 to position 12 (13-1):

```
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
str.slice(7, 13) // Returns Banana
```



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The slice() method extract a part of a string
and returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
str.slice(7,13);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



If a parameter is negative, the position is counted from the end of the string.

This example slices out a portion of a string from position -12 to position -6:

```
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
str.slice(-12, -6) // Returns Banana
```



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The slice() method extract a part of a string
and returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.slice(-12,-
6);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



If you omit the second parameter, the method will slice out the rest of the string:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The slice() method extract a part of a string
and returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.slice(7);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



or, counting from the end:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The slice() method extract a part of a string
and returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.slice(-12);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



The substring() Method substring() is similar to slice().

The difference is that substring() cannot accept negative indexes.

```
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
substring(7, 13) // Returns Banana
```



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The substring() method extract a part of a string and
returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
str.substring(7,13);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



The substr() Method substr() is similar to slice().

The difference is that the second parameter specifies the length of the extracted part.

let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
str.substr(7, 6) // Returns Banana

The result of res will be:

Banana



If you omit the second parameter, substr() will slice out the rest of the string.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The substr() method extract a part of a string
and returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.substr(7);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



If the first parameter is negative, the position counts from the end of the string.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The substr() method extract a part of a string
and returns the extracted parts in a new string:
<script>
let str = "Apple, Banana, Kiwi";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.substr(-4);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



Converting to Upper and Lower Case

A string is converted to upper case with toUpperCase():

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
Convert string to upper case:
<button onclick="myFunction()">Try it</button>
Hello World!
<script>
function myFunction() {
 let text = document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML;
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.toUpperCase();
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



A string is converted to lower case with toLowerCase():

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
Convert string to lower case:
<button onclick="myFunction()">Try it</button>
Hello World!
<script>
function myFunction() {
let text = document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML;
 document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.toLowerCase();
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



The concat() Method

```
concat() joins two or more strings:
                          <!DOCTYPE html>
                          <html>
                          <body>
                          <h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
                          The concat() method joins two or more strings:
                          <script>
                          let text1 = "Hello";
                          let text2 = "World!";
                          let text3 = text1.concat(" ",text2);
                          document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = text3;
                          </script>
                          </body>
                          </html>
```



The concat() method can be used instead of the plus operator. These two lines do the same:

```
text = "Hello" + " " + "World!";
text = "Hello".concat(" ", "World!");
```



String.trim()

The trim() method removes whitespace from both sides of a string:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String.trim()</h2>
Click the button to alert the string with removed
whitespace.
<button onclick="myFunction()">Try it</button>
<script>
function myFunction() {
 let text = " Hello World! ";
 alert(text.trim());
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



JavaScript String Padding

ECMAScript 2017 added two String methods: padStart and padEnd to support padding at the beginning and at the end of a string.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The padStart() method pads a string with another
string:
<script>
let text = "5";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.padStart(4,0);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



Extracting String Characters

There are 3 methods for extracting string characters:

- charAt(position)
- charCodeAt(position)
- Property access []



The charAt() Method

The charAt() method returns the character at a specified index (position) in a string:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The charAt() method returns the character at a given
position in a string:
<script>
var text = "HELLO WORLD";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.charAt(0);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



The charCodeAt() Method

The charCodeAt() method returns the unicode of the character at a specified index in a string:

The method returns a UTF-16 code (an integer between 0 and 65535).

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The charCodeAt() method returns the unicode of the
character at a given position in a string:
<script>
let text = "HELLO WORLD";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.charCodeAt(0);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



Property Access

ECMAScript 5 (2009) allows property access [] on strings:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
ECMAScript 5 allows property access on strings:
<script>
var str = "HELLO WORLD";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str[0];
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



Converting a String to an Array

A string can be converted to an array with the split() method:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
Display the first array element, after a string split:
<script>
let text = "a,b,c,d,e,f";
const myArray = text.split(",");
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = myArray[0];
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



If the separator is omitted, the returned array will contain the whole string in index [0].

If the separator is "", the returned array will be an array of single characters:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
Using String.split():
<script>
let text = "Hello";
const myArr = text.split("");
text = "";
for (let i = 0; i < myArr.length; i++) {
 text += myArr[i] + "<br>"
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = text;
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



JavaScript String Search



JavaScript methods for searching strings:

String.indexOf()
String.lastIndexOf()
String.startsWith()
String.endsWith()



String.indexOf()

The indexOf() method returns the index of (the position of) the first occurrence of a specified text in a string:

```
<!DOCTYPF html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The indexOf() method returns the position of the first
occurrence of a specified text:
<script>
let str = "Please locate where 'locate' occurs!";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
str.indexOf("locate");
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



String.lastIndexOf()

The lastIndexOf() method returns the index of the last occurrence of a specified text in a string:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
The lastIndexOf() method returns the position of the last
occurrence of a specified text:
<script>
let str = "Please locate where 'locate' occurs!";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
str.lastIndexOf("locate");
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



Both indexOf(), and lastIndexOf() return -1 if the text is not found:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2>
Both indexOf(), and lastIndexOf() return -1 if the text is not found:
<script>
let str = "Please locate where 'locate' occurs!";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.indexOf("John");
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



String.search()

The search() method searches a string for a specified value and returns the position of the <!DOCTYPE html> match: <html> <body> <h2>JavaScript String Methods</h2> The search() method returns the position of the first occurrence of a specified text in a string: <script> let str = "Please locate where 'locate' occurs!"; document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = str.search("locate"); </script> </body> </html>



The two methods, indexOf() and search(), are equal?

They accept the same arguments (parameters), and return the same value?

The two methods are NOT equal. These are the differences:

The search() method cannot take a second start position argument.

The indexOf() method cannot take powerful search values (regular expressions).



String.match()

The match() method searches a string for a match against a regular expression, and returns the matches, as an Array object.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Search</h2>
Search a string for "ain":
<script>
let text = "The rain in SPAIN stays mainly in the plain";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.match(/ain/g);
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



String.includes()

The includes() method returns true if a string contains a specified value.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript String Search</h2>
Check if a string includes "world":
The includes() method is not supported in Internet
Explorer.
<script>
let text = "Hello world, welcome to the universe.";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.includes("world");
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



String.startsWith()

The startsWith() method returns true if a string begins with a specified value, otherwise

```
false:
                            <!DOCTYPE html>
                            <html>
                            <body>
                            <h2>JavaScript Strings</h2>
                            Check if a string starts with "Hello":
                            The startsWith() method is not supported in Internet
                            Explorer.
                            <script>
                            let text = "Hello world, welcome to the universe.";
                            document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
                            text.startsWith("Hello");
                            </script>
                            </body>
                            </html>
```



String.endsWith()

The endsWith() method returns true if a string ends with a specified value, otherwise false:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>JavaScript Strings</h2>
Check if a string ends with "Doe":
The endsWith() method is not supported in Internet
Explorer.
<script>
let text = "John Doe";
document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
text.endsWith("Doe");
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



