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# JavaScript (Part 1)

#### "The" language of the Web

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Number()	String()	a Array()
ROPERTIES	PROPERTIES	PROPERTIES
.POSITIVE_INFINITY +co equivalent	n.length string size	n.length number of elements
.NEGATIVE_INFINITY -co equivalent	METHODS	METHODS
.MAX_VALUE largest positive value	s.charAt(index) char at position [i]	b.isArray(obj) check if obj is array
.MIN_VALUE smallest positive value	n.charCodeAt(index) unicode at pos.	<b>b</b> .includes(obj, from) include element?
EPSILON diff between 1 & smallest >1	S.fromCharCode(n1, n2) code to char	n.indexOf(obj, from) find elem. index
NaN not-a-number value	S.concat(str1, str2) combine text +	Indication in the second se
ETHODS	b.startsWith(str, size) check beginning	.join(sep) join elements w/separator
.toExponential(dec) exp. notation	b.endsWith(str, size) check ending	a.slice(ini, end) return array portion
.toFixed(dec) fixed-point notation	<b>b</b> .includes(str, from) include substring?	a.concat(obj1, obj2) return joined array
.toPrecision(p) change precision	n.indexOf(str, from) find substr index	MODIFY SOURCE ARRAY METHODS
.isFinite(n) check if number is finite	n.lastIndexOf(str, from) find from end	a.copyWithin(pos, ini, end) copy elems
.isInteger(n) check if number is int.	.search(regex) search & return index	a.fill(obj, ini, end) fill array with obj
.isNaN(n) check if number is NaN	I.localeCompare(str, locale, options)	a .reverse() reverse array & return it
parseInt(s, radix) string to integer	a .match(regex) matches against string	a .sort(cf(a,b)) sort array (unicode sort)
parseFloat(s, radix) string to float	s.repeat(n) repeat string n times	a.splice(ini, del, o1, o2) del&add elem
·pulooi loui(o, louin) ounig to hour	s.replace(str/regex, newstr/func)	ITERATION METHODS
Regexp()	s.slice(ini, end) str between ini/end	a .entries() iterate key/value pair array
ROPERTIES	substr(ini, len) substr of len length	a .keys() iterate only keys array
lastIndex index to start global regexp	substring(ini, end) substr fragment	a .values() iterate only values array
flags active flags of current regexp		CALLBACK FOR EACH METHODS
.global flag g (search all matches)	a.split(sep regex, limit) divide string	<b>b</b> .every(cb(e,i,a), arg) test until false
.ignoreCase flag i (match lower/upper)	ItoLowerCase() string to lowercase	b.some(cb(e,i,a), arg) test until true
.multiline flag m (match multiple lines)	ItoUpperCase() string to uppercase	a .map(cb(e,i,a), arg) make array
sticky flag y (search from lastIndex)	Itrim() remove space from begin/end	a.filter(cb(e,i,a), arg) make array w/true
unicode flag u (enable unicode feat.)	Image: string is the string	<ul> <li>.find(cb(e,i,a), arg) return elem w/true</li> </ul>
source current regexp (w/o slashs)		Indication finding (cb(e,i,a), arg) return index
IETHODS	d Date()	forEach(cb(e,i,a), arg) exec for each
a .exec(str) exec search for a match		<ul> <li>.reduce(cb(p,e,i,a), arg) exector each</li> <li>.reduce(cb(p,e,i,a), arg) accumulative</li> </ul>
.test(str) check if regexp match w/str	<b>1</b> .UTC(y, m, d, h, i, s, ms) timestamp	<ul> <li>.reduce(cb(p,e,i,a), arg) accumulative</li> <li>.reduceRight(cb(p,e,i,a), arg) from end</li> </ul>
LASSES	<b>n.now()</b> timestamp of current time	. reducerright(cb(p,e,i,a), arg) nom end
any character \t tabulator	<ul> <li>.parse(str) convert str to timestamp</li> <li>.setTime(ts) set UNIX timestamp</li> </ul>	ADD/REMOVE METHODS
d digit [0-9] \r carriage return	n.getTime() return UNIX timestamp	• .pop() remove & return last element
D no digit [^0-9] \n line feed	UNIT SETTERS (ALSO .setUTC*() methods)	n.push(o1, o2) add element & return length
w any alphanumeric char [A-Za-z0-9_]	n.setFullYear(y, m, d) set year (yyyy)	shift() remove & return first element
W no alphanumeric char [^A-Za-z0-9_] s any space char (space, tab, enter)	n.setMonth(m, d) set month (0-11)	n.unshift(o1, o2) add element & return len
S no space char (space, tab, enter)	n.setDate(d) set day (1-31)	
xN char with code N [\b] backspace	n.setHours(h, m, s, ms) set hour (0-23)	b Boolean() SHET POP
uN char with unicode N \0 NUL char	n.setMinutes(m, s, ms) set min (0-59)	no own properties or methods
HARACTER SETS OR ALTERNATION	n.setSeconds(s, ms) set sec (0-59)	_
abc match any character set	n.setMilliseconds(ms) set ms (0-999)	f Function()
^abc] match any char. set not enclosed	UNIT GETTERS (ALSO .getUTC*() methods)	PROPERTIES
l <mark>b</mark> match a or b	n.getDate() return day (1-31)	<ul> <li>length return number of arguments</li> </ul>
OUNDARIES	.getDay() return day of week (0-6)	Iname return name of function
begin of input \$ end of input	.getMonth() return month (0-11)	<ul> <li>prototype prototype object</li> </ul>
b zero-width word boundary	n.getFullYear() return year (yyyy)	METHODS
B zero-width non-word boundary	n getHours() return hour (0-23)	o.call(newthis, arg1, arg2) change this
	n.getMinutes() return minutes (0-59)	<ul> <li>apply(newthis, arg1) with args array</li> </ul>
x) capture group (?:x) no capture group n reference to group n captured	n.getSeconds() return seconds (0-59) n.getMilliseconds() return ms (0-999)	.bind(newthis, arg1, arg2) bound func
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{n} n ocurrences of x	s.toLocaleString(locale, options)	a array
	s.toUTCString() return UTC date	only available on ECMAScript 6
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<pre>{n,} at least n ocurrences of x {n,m} between n &amp; m ocurrences of x</pre>		atatia (au: Math random())
	.toDateString() return American date	static (ex: Math.random())
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(n,m) between n & m ocurrences of x SSERTIONS	s .toDateString() return American date .toTimeString() return American time	







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.toLocaleString(locale, options)

.toUTCString() return UTC date

.toDateString() return American date

.toTimeString() return American time

.toISOString() return ISO8601 date

.toJSON() return date ready for JSON

a array

only available on ECMAScript 6

n non-static (ex: new Date().getDate())

static (ex: Math.random())

argument required

argument optional

**M**undefined

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JavaScript Cheat Sheet page 2 JS JS **Programming Language of Web** o Object() Math s Set() D.E Euler's constant .constructor return ref. to object fund n.size return number of items D.LN2 natural logarithm of 2 LN10 natural logarithm of 10 assign(dst, src1, src2...) copy values .add(item) add item to set D.LOG2E base 2 logarithm of E O.create(proto, prop) create obj w/prop b.has(item) check if item exists defineProperties(obj, prop) delete(item) del item & return if del wa D.LOG10E base 10 logarithm of E defineProperty(obj, prop, desc) .clear() remove all items from set D.PI ratio circumference/diameter o.freeze(obj) avoid properties changes .SQRT1\_2 square root of 1/2 o.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(obj, prop) D.SQRT2 square root of 2 entries() iterate items a.getOwnPropertyNames(obj) s .values() iterate only value of items getOwnPropertySymbols(obj) abs(x) absolute value .getPrototypeOf(obj) return prototype .cbrt(x) cube root forEach(cb(e,i,a), arg) exec for each b.is(val1, val2) check if are same value .clz32(x) return leading zero bits (32) b.isExtensible(obj) check if can add prop m Map() .exp(x) return ex b.isFrozen(obj) check if obj is frozen expm1(x) return ex-1 b.isSealed(obj) check if obj is sealed size return number of elements hypot(x1, x2...) length of hypotenuse .keys(obj) return only keys of object .imul(a, b) signed multiply o.preventExtensions(obj) avoid extend n.set(key, value) add pair key=value wn log(x) natural logarithm (base e) .seal(obj) prop are non-configurable log1p(x) natural logarithm (1+x) .get(key) return value of key .setPrototypeOf(obj, prot) change prot log10(x) base 10 logarithm .has(key) check if key exist log2(x) base 2 logarithm .delete(key) del elem. & return if ok wm hasOwnProperty(prop) check if exist .max(x1, x2...) return max number .clear() remove all elements from ma .isPrototypeOf(obj) test in another obj .min(x1, x2...) return min number b.propertylsEnumerable(prop) .pow(base, exp) return base<sup>exp</sup> .entries() iterate elements .toString() return equivalent string .random() float random number [0,1) kevs() iterate only keys .toLocaleString() return locale version .sign(x) return sign of number .values() iterate only values o.valueOf() return primitive value .sqrt(x) square root of number p Promise() forEach(cb(e,i,a), arg) exec for each .ceil(x) superior round (smallest) .floor(x) inferior round (largest) Symbol() .all(obj) return promise .fround(x) nearest single precision .catch(onRejected(s)) = .then(undef, .round(x) round (nearest integer) .then(onFulfilled(v), onRejected(s)) .iterator specifies default iterator .trunc(x) remove fractional digits .race(obj) return greedy promise (res/re .match specifies match of regexp .resolve(obi) return resolved promise .species specifies constructor function .reject(reason) return rejected promise acos(x) arccosine .acosh(x) hyperbolic arccosine .for(key) search existing symbols .asin(x) arcsine p Proxy() .keyFor(sym) return key from global reg .asinh(x) hyperbolic arcsine apply(obj, arg, arglist) trap function call .atan(x) arctangent g Generator() .atan2(x, y) arctangent of quotient x/y o .construct(obj, arglist) trap new oper atanh(x) hyperbolic arctangent .defineProperty(obj, prop, desc) next(value) return obj w/{value.done} .deleteProperty(obj, prop) trap delete .cos(x) cosine o.return(value) return value & true done .cosh(x) hyperbolic cosine o .enumerate(obj) trap for...in .throw(except) throw an error o.get(obj, prop, rec) trap get property .sin(x) sine Others .getOwnPropertyDescriptor(obj, pro n.sinh(x) hyperbolic sine o.getPrototypeOf(obj) .tan(x) tangent o .has(obj, prop) trap in operator var declare variable .tanh(x) hyperbolic tangent .ownKeys(obj) let declare block scope local variable .preventExtensions(obj) const declare constant (read-only) JSON .set(obj, prop, value) trap set property func(a=1) default parameter value o.setPrototypeOf(obj, proto) func(...a) rest argument (spread operator) .parse(str, tf(k,v)) parse string to object (a) => { ... } function equivalent (fat arrow) .stringify(obj, repf|wl, sp) convert to str globals 'string \${a}' template with variables **Obn** binary (2) number n to decimal Error() o eval(str) evaluate javascript code **Oon** octal (8) number **n** to decimal isFinite(obj) check if is a finite number **0xn** hexadecimal (16) number n to decimal .name return name of error b isNaN(obj) check if is not a number for (i in array) { ... } iterate array, i = index .message return description of error parseInt(s, radix) string to integer for (e of array) { ... } iterate array, e = value parseFloat(s, radix) string to float class B extends A () { } class sugar syntax encodeURIComponent(URI) = to %3D decodeURIComponent(URI) %3D to = Code Mio

https://www.codemio.com/2016/09/html5-css3-javascript-cheat-sheets.html

(?=y) x (only if x is followed by y)

x(?!y) x (only if x is not followed by y)

(n) n ocurrences of x

({n,} at least n ocurrences of x

(n,m) between n & m ocurrences of x

#### Goal

- Learn JavaScript <u>as a language</u>
- Understand the specific semantics and programming patterns
  - We assume a programming knowledge in other languages
- Updated to ES6 (2015) language features
- Supported by server-side (Node.js) and client-side (browsers) run-time environments

### Outline

- What is JavaScript?
- History and versions
- Language structure
- Types, variables
- Expressions
- Control structures
- Arrays
- Strings

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#### WHAT IS JAVASCRIPT?

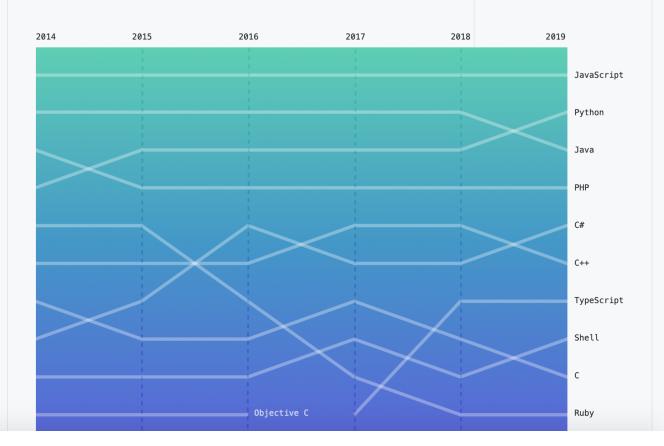


#### **Top languages**

In the last year, developers collaborated in more than 370 primary languages on GitHub.



This year, C# and Shell climbed the list. And for the first time, Python outranked Java as the second most popular language on GitHub by repository contributors.\*



#### source: <a href="https://octoverse.github.com/#top-languages">https://octoverse.github.com/#top-languages</a>

### JavaScript

- JavaScript (JS) is a programming language
- It is currently the only programming language that a browser can execute natively...
- ... and it also run on a computer, like other programming languages (thanks to Node.js)
- It has **nothing** to do with Java
  - named that way for *marketing reasons*, only
- The first version was written in 10 days (!)
  - several fundamental language decisions were made because of company politics and not technical reasons!

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#### **HISTORY AND VERSIONS**

#### **JAVASCRIPT VERSIONS**

- JAVASCRIPT (December 4th 1995) Netscape and Sun press release
- ECMAScript Standard Editions: https://www.ecma-international.org/ecma-262/



Brendan Eich

- ES1 (June 1997) Object-based, Scripting, Relaxed syntax, Prototypes
- ES2 (June 1998) Editorial changes for ISO 16262
- ES3 (December 1999) Regexps, Try/Catch, Do-While, String methods
- ES5 (December 2009) Strict mode, JSON, .bind, Object mts, Array mts
- ES5.1 (June 2011) Editorial changes for ISO 16262:2011
- ES6 (June 2015) Classes, Modules, Arrow Fs, Generators, Const/Let, Also: ES2015 Destructuring, Template Literals, Promise, Proxy, Symbol, Reflect
  - **ES7 (June 2016)** Exponentiation operator (\*\*) and Array Includes
  - ES8 (June 2017) Async Fs, Shared Memory & Atomics

Also: ES2016

Also: ES2017

ES9,

**ES10** 

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Main

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#### JavaScript versions

- ECMAScript (also called ES) is the official name of JavaScript (JS) standard
- ES6, ES2015, ES2016 etc. are implementations of the standard
- All browsers used to run ECMAScript 3
- ES5, and ES2015 (=ES6) were huge versions of JavaScript
- Then, yearly release cycles started
  - By the committee behind JS: TC39, backed by Mozilla, Google, Facebook, Apple, Microsoft, Intel, PayPal, SalesForce, etc.
- ES2015 (=ES6) is covered in the following

### Official ECMA standard (formal and unreadable)

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6 ECMAScript Data Types and Values	ECMAScript <sup>®</sup> 2019 Language Specification
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14 ECMAScript Language: Functions and Classes	This specification is developed on GitHub with the help of the ECMAScript community. There are a number of ways to contribute to the
15 ECMAScript Language: Scripts and Modules	development of this specification:
16 Error Handling and Language Extensions	GitHub Repository: https://github.com/tc39/ecma262
17 ECMAScript Standard Built-in Objects	Issues: All Issues, File a New Issue
18 The Global Object	Pull Requests: All Pull Requests, Create a New Pull Request
▶ 19 Fundamental Objects	Test Suite: Test 262
20 Numbers and Dates	Editors:
> 21 Text Processing	• Brian Terlson (@bterlson)
> 22 Indexed Collections	Bradley Farias (@bradleymeck)
23 Keyed Collections	• Jordan Harband (@liharb)
> 24 Structured Data	• Jordan matura (estimato)
> 25 Control Abstraction Objects	Community:
> 26 Reflection	
> 27 Memory Model	• Mailing list: es-discuss
A Grammar Summary	• IRC: #tc39 on freenode
B Additional ECMAScript Features for Web Browsers	Refer to the colophon for more information on how this document is created.
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https://www.ecma-international.org/ecma-262/

### JavaScript Engines

- V8 (Chrome V8) by Google
  - used in Chrome/Chromium, Node.js and Microsoft Edge
- SpiderMonkey by Mozilla Foundation

   Used in Firefox/Gecko and SpiderNode
- ChakraCore by Microsoft
  - it was used in Edge
- JavaScriptCore by Apple

   used in Safari
- Rhino by Mozilla
  - written in Java

#### Standard vs. Implementation (in browsers)

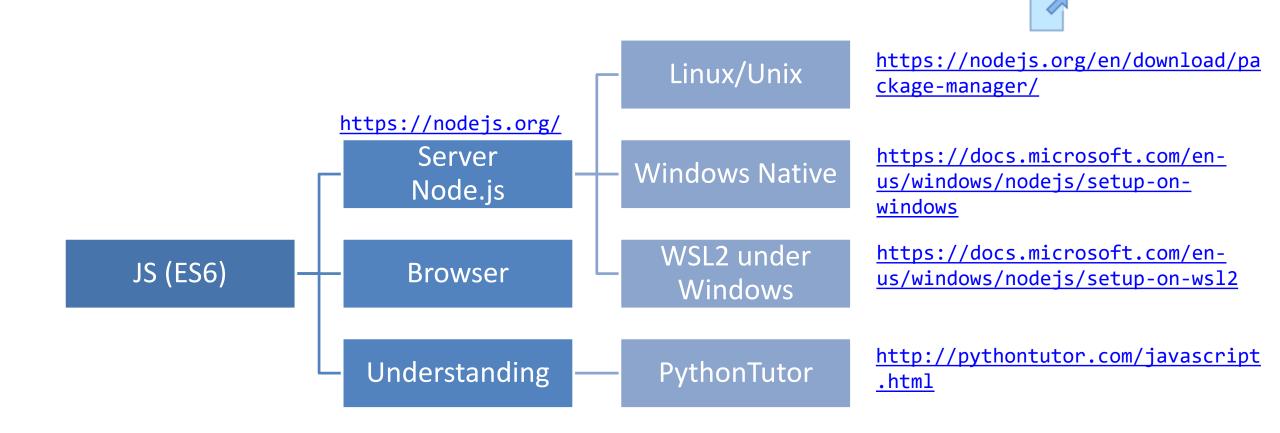
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FetchEvent	40	Yes	44 *	No	27	No	40	40	44	27	No	4.0
FetchEvent() constructor	40	Yes	44 *	No	27	No	40	40	44	27	No	4.0
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isReload	10	17	44 *	No	32	No	45	45	44	32	No	5.0
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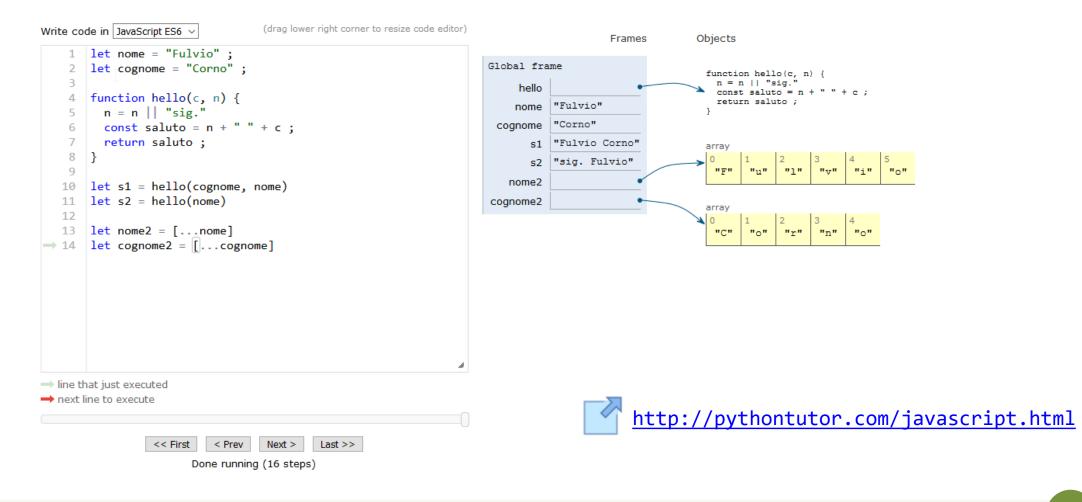
### JS Compatibility

- JS is backwards-compatible
  - once something is accepted as valid JS, there will not be a future change to the language that causes that code to become invalid JS
  - TC39 members: "we don't break the web!"
- JS is <u>not</u> forwards-compatible
  - new additions to the language will not run in an older JS engine and may crash the program
- strict mode was introduced to disable very old (and dangerous) sematics
- Supporting multiple versions is achieved by:
  - Transpiling Babel (<u>https://babeljs.io</u>) converts from newer JS syntax to an equivalent older syntax
  - Polyfilling user- (or library-)defined functions and methods that "fill" the lack of a feature by implementing the newest available one

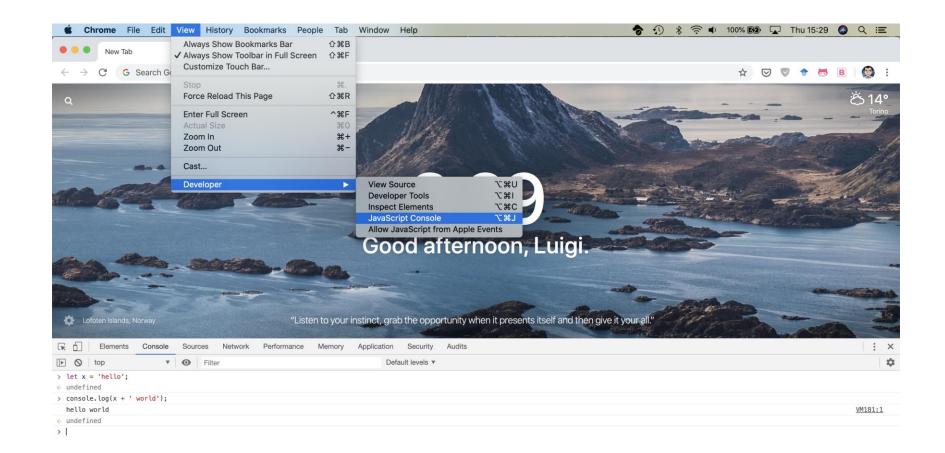
#### **Execution Environments**



#### PythonTutor (in JavaScript mode)



#### Browser and JS console



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#### LANGUAGE STRUCTURE

#### Lexical structure

- One File = One JS program
  - Each file is loaded independently and
  - Different files/programs may communicate through *global state*
  - The "module" mechanism extends that (provides state sharing in a clean way)
- The file is entirely *parsed*, and then *executed* from top to bottom
- Relies on a *standard library* 
  - and many additional *APIs* provided by the execution environment

#### JavaScript is written in Unicode (do not abuse), so it also supports nonlatin characters for names and strings

– even emoji

lexical structure

- Semicolons (;) are not mandatory (automatically inserted)
- Case sensitive
- Comments as in C (/\*..\*/ and // )
- Literals and identifiers (start with letter, \$, \_)
- Some reserved words
- C-like syntax

# > let ööö = 'appalled > ööö 'appalled'



## Semicolon (;)

- Argument of debate in the JS community
- JS inserts them as needed
  - When next line starts with code that breaks the current one
  - When the next line starts with }
  - When there is return, break, throw, continue on its own line
- Be careful that forgetting semicolon can lead to unexpected behavior
  - A newline does not automatically insert semicolon, if the next line starts with (or [, it is interpreted as function call or array access
- We will loosely follow the Google style guide, so we will always insert semicolons after each statement
  - <u>https://google.github.io/styleguide/jsguide.html</u>

#### Strict Mode

- Directive introduced in ES5: "use strict";
  - Compatible with older version (it is just a string)
- Code is executed in *strict mode* 
  - This fixes some important language deficiencies and provides stronger error checking and security
  - Examples:
    - All variables must be declared
    - Eliminates some JavaScript silent errors by changing them to throw errors
    - Functions invoked as functions and not as methods of an object have this undefined
    - Cannot define 2 or more properties or function parameters with the same name
    - No octal literals (base 8, starting with 0)
    - eval and arguments are keywords and cannot change their value

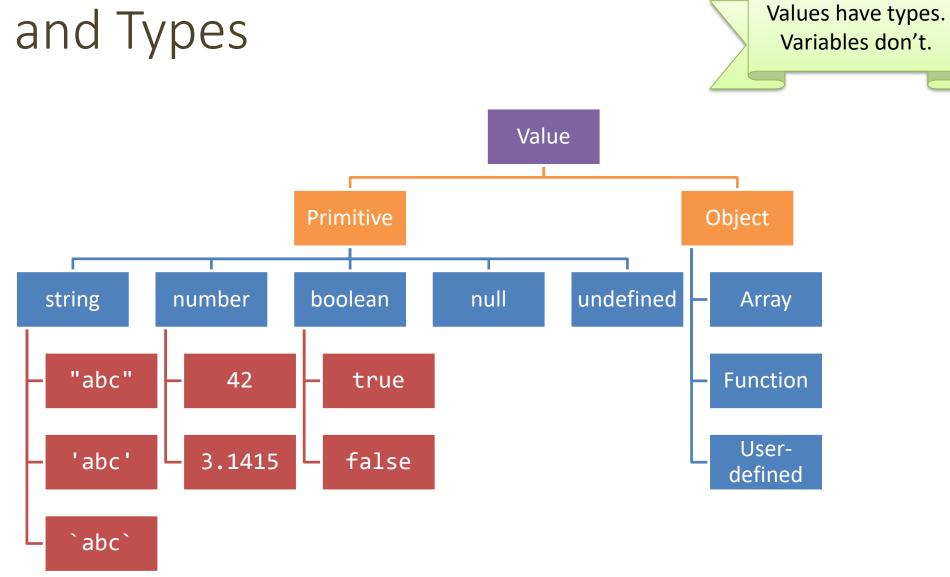
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#### **TYPES, VARIABLES**



#### Values and Types

### Boolean, true-truthy, false-falsy, comparisons

- 'boolean' type with literal values: true, false
- When converting to boolean
  - The following values are 'false'
    - 0, -0, NaN, undefined, null, '' (empty string)
  - Every other value is 'true'
    - 3, 'false', [] (empty array), { } (empty object)
- Booleans and Comparisons
  - a == b // convert types and compare results
  - a === b // inhibit automatic type conversion and compare results

> Boolean(3)
true
> Boolean('')
false
> Boolean(' ')
true

#### Number

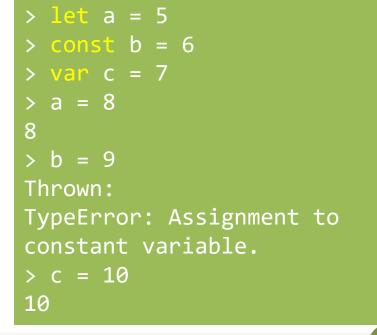
- No distinction between integers and reals
- Automatic conversions according to the operation
- There is also a distinct type "BigInt" (ES11, July 2020)
  - an arbitrary-precision integer, can represent 2<sup>53</sup> numbers
  - 123456789<mark>n</mark>
  - With suffix 'n'

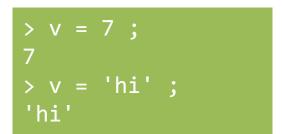
#### Special values

- Undefined: variable declared but not initialized
  - Detect with: typeof variable === 'undefined'
  - void x always returns undefined
- Null: an empty value
- Null and Undefined are called *nullish values*
- NaN (not a Number)
  - Is actually a number
  - Invalid output from arithmetic operation or parse operation

#### Variables

- Variables are *pure references*: they refer to a *value*
- The same variable may refer to different values (even of different types) at different times
- Declaring a variable:
  - let
  - const
  - var





#### Variable declarations

Declarator	Can reassign?	Can re-declare?	Scope	Hoisting *	Note	
let	Yes	No	Enclosing block {}	No	Preferred	
const	No <sup>§</sup>	No	Enclosing block {}	No	Preferred	
var	Yes	Yes	Enclosing function, or global	Yes, to beginning of function or file	Legacy, beware its quirks, try not to use	
None (implicit)	Yes	N/A	Global	Yes	Forbidden in strict mode	

§ Prevents reassignment (a=2), does <u>not</u> prevent changing the value of the referred object (a.b=2)	* Hoisting = "lifting up" the definition of a variable ( <u>not</u> the initialization!) to the top of the current scope (e.g., the file or the function)

#### Scope

"use strict" ;
let a = 1 ;
const b = 2 ;
let c = true ;
let a = 5 ; // SyntaxError: Identifier 'a' has already been declared

#### Scope "use strict"; let a = 1; const b = 2; let c = true ; { // creating a new scope... let a = 5; console.log(a) ; } console.log(a) ;

Each { } is called a **block**. 'let' and 'const' variables are *block-scoped*.

They exist only in their defined and inner scopes.

#### Scope and Hoisting

```
"use strict";
function example(x) { var c ; // hoisted
   let a = 1;
   console.log(a) ; // 1
   console.log(b); // ReferenceError: b is not defined
   console.log(c) ; // undefined
   if( x>1 ) {
       let b = a+1 ;
       var c = a*2;
   }
   console.log(a) ; // 1
   console.log(b) ; // ReferenceError: b is not defined
   console.log(c) ; // 2
}
example(2) ;
```



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#### **EXPRESSIONS**

#### Operators

- Assignment operators
- Comparison operators
- Arithmetic operators
- Bitwise operators
- Logical operators
- String operators
- Conditional (ternary) operator
- Comma operator
- Unary operators
- Relational operators



Full reference and operator precedence: <u>https://developer.mozilla.org/en-</u> <u>US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Oper</u> <u>ator\_Precedence#Table</u>

#### Assignment

- let variable = expression ; // declaration with initialization
- variable = expression ;

// reassignment

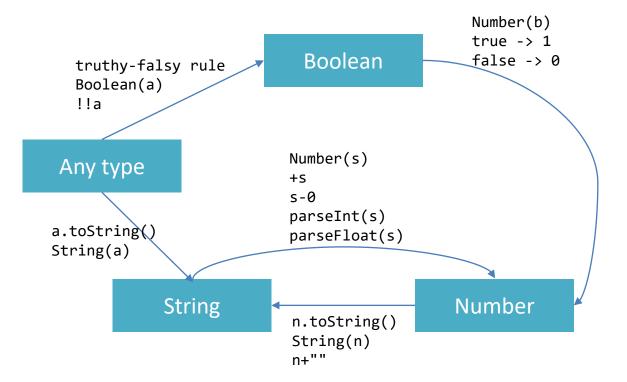
Name	Shorthand operator	Meaning
Assignment	x = y	x = y
Addition assignment	x += y	x = x + y
Subtraction assignment	x -= y	x = x - y
Multiplication assignment	x *= y	x = x * y
Division assignment	x /= y	x = x / y
Remainder assignment	x %= y	x = x % y
Exponentiation assignment	x **= y	x = x ** y
Left shift assignment	x <<= y	x = x << y
Right shift assignment	x >>= y	x = x >> y
Unsigned right shift assignment	x >>>= y	x = x >>> y
Bitwise AND assignment	x &= y	x = x & y
Bitwise XOR assignment	x ^= y	x = x ^ y
Bitwise OR assignment	x  = y	x = x   y

#### Comparison operators

Operator	Description	Examples returning true
Equal (==)	Returns true if the operands are equal.	3 == var1 "3" == var1
		3 == '3'
Not equal (!=)	Returns true if the operands are not equal.	var1 != 4 var2 != "3"
Strict equal (===)	Returns true if the operands are equal and of the same type. See also Object.is and sameness in JS.	3 === var1
Strict not equal ( !==)	Returns true if the operands are of the same type but not equal, or are of different type.	var1 !== "3" 3 !== '3'
Greater than (≻)	Returns true if the left operand is greater than the right operand.	var2 > var1 "12" > 2
Greater than or equal (≻=)	Returns true if the left operand is greater than or equal to the right operand.	var2 ≻= var1 var1 ≻= 3
Less than (<)	Returns true if the left operand is less than the right operand.	var1 < var2 "2" < 12
Less than or equal (<=)	Returns true if the left operand is less than or equal to the right operand.	var1 <= var2 var2 <= 5

## Automatic Type Conversions

- JS tries to apply type conversions between primitive types, before applying operators
- Some language constructs may be used to "force" the desired conversions
- Using == applies conversions
- Using === prevents conversions

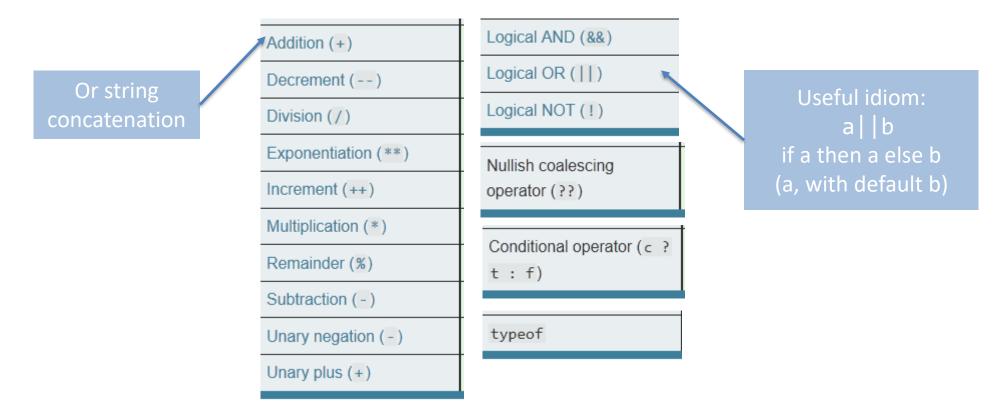


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### Logical operators

Operator	Usage	Description
Logical AND (&&)	expr1 && expr2	Returns expr1 if it can be converted to false; otherwise, returns expr2. Thus, when used with Boolean values, && returns true if both operands are true; otherwise, returns false.
Logical OR (]])	expr1    expr2	Returns expr1 if it can be converted to true; otherwise, returns expr2. Thus, when used with Boolean values,    returns true if either operand is true; if both are false, returns false.
Logical NOT (!)	!expr	Returns false if its single operand that can be converted to true; otherwise, returns true.

#### Common operators



## Mathematical functions (Math building object)

- Constants: Math.E, Math.LN10, Math.LN2, Math.LOG10E, Math.LOG2E, Math.PI, Math.SQRT1\_2, Math.SQRT2
- Functions: Math.abs(), Math.acos(), Math.acosh(), Math.asin(), Math.asinh(), Math.atan(), Math.atan2(), Math.atanh(), Math.cbrt(), Math.ceil(), Math.clz32(), Math.cos(), Math.cosh(), Math.exp(), Math.expm1(), Math.floor(), Math.fround(), Math.hypot(), Math.imul(), Math.log(), Math.log10(), Math.log1p(), Math.log2(), Math.max(), Math.min(), Math.pow(), Math.random(), Math.round(), Math.sign(), Math.sin(), Math.sinh(), Math.sqrt(), Math.tan(), Math.tanh(), Math.trunc()

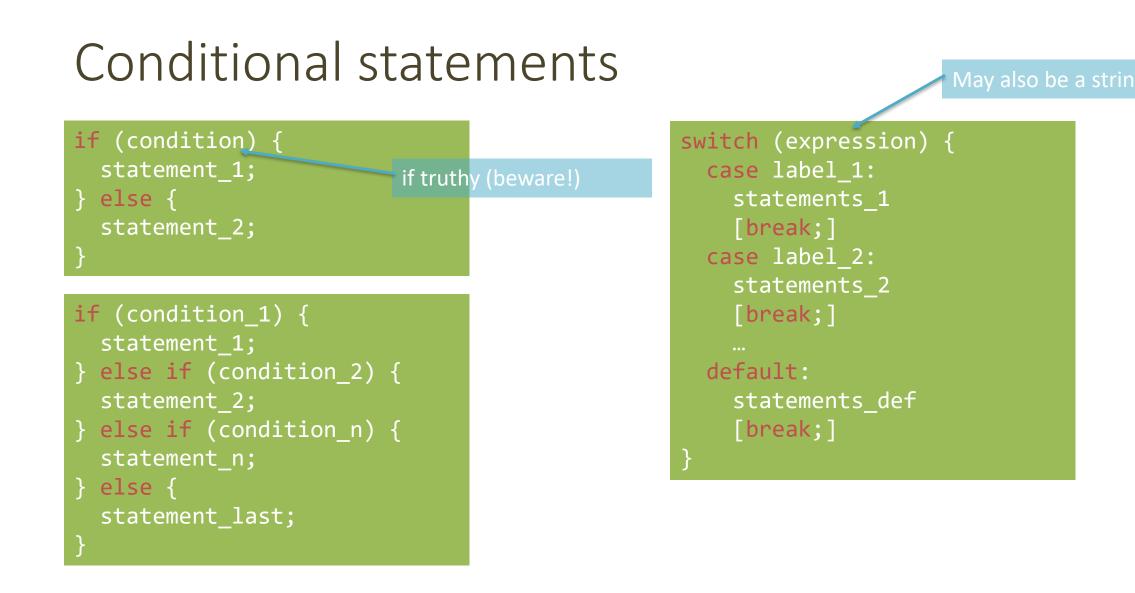


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### **CONTROL STRUCTURES**



#### Loop statements



Usually declare loop variable

do {
 statement ;
} while (condition);

while (condition) {
 statement ;

May use break; or continue;

### Special 'for' statements

## for (variable in object) { statement ;

- Iterates the variable over all the enumerable **properties** of an **object**
- <u>Do not use</u> to traverse an array (use numerical indexes, or for-of)

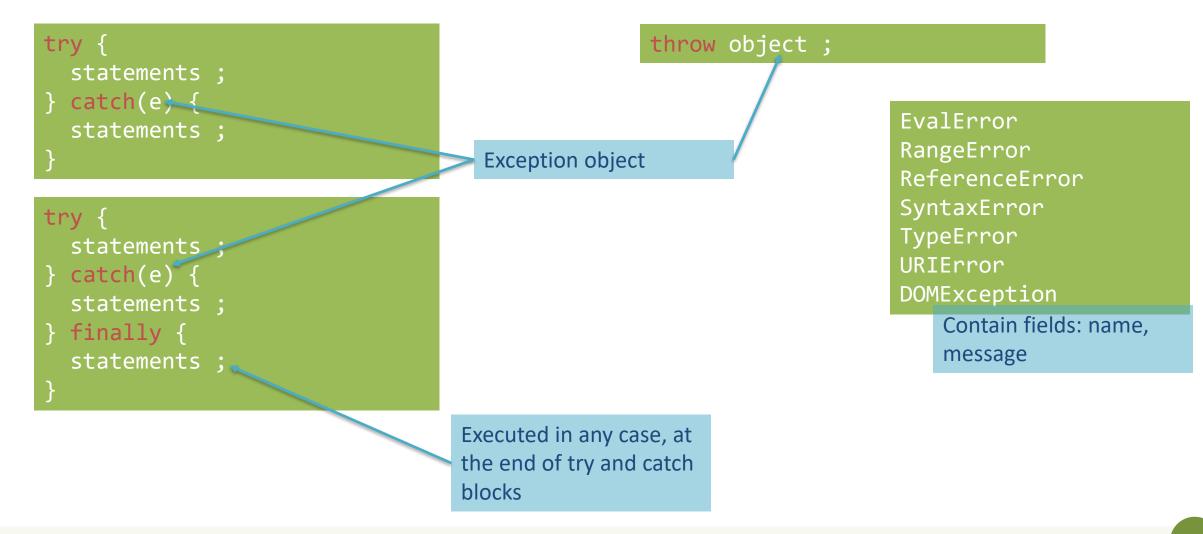
### for (variable of iterable) { statement ;

- Iterates the variable over all values of an *iterable object* (including Array, Map, Set, string, arguments ...)
- Returns the *values*, not the keys

## Other iteration methods

- Functional programming (strongly supported by JS) allows other methods to iterate over a collection (or any iterable object)
  - a.forEach()
  - a.map()
- They will be analyzed later

## Exception handling





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## Arrays

- Rich of functionalities
- Elements do not need to be of the same type
- Simplest syntax: []
- Property .length
- Distinguish between methods that:
  - Modify the array (in-place)
  - Return a new array

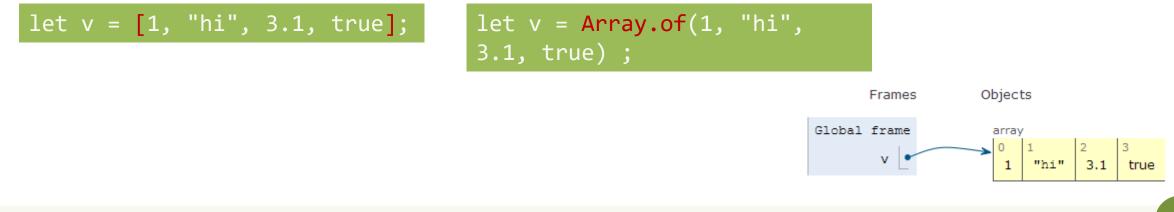
#### Creating an array

let v = [] ;

Elements are indexed at positions 0...length-1

Do not access elements outside range

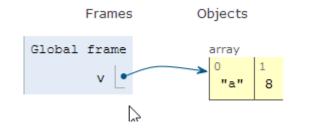




## Adding elements

.lenght adjusts automatically

let v = []; v[0] = "a"; v[1] = 8; v.length // 2

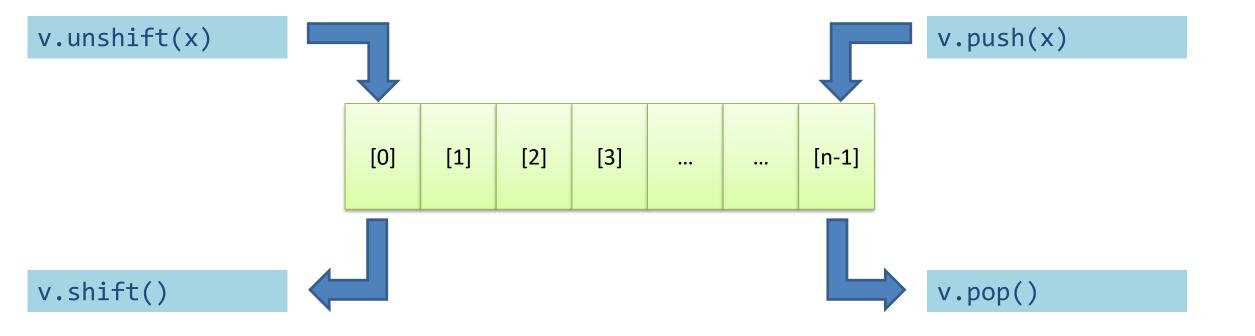


let v = []; v.push("a"); v.push(8); v.length // 2

.push() adds at the end of the array

.unshift() adds at the beginning of the array

# Adding and Removing from arrays (in-place)



## Copying arrays

let v = []; v[0] = "a"; v[1] = 8; let alias = v; alias[1] = 5;

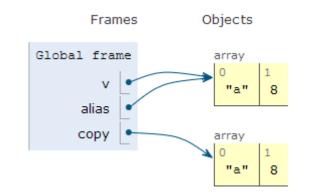
> console.log(v); ?
[ 'a', 5 ]
undefined
> console.log(alias);
[ 'a', 5 ]
undefined

## Copying arrays

let v = [] ; v[0] = "a" ; v[1] = 8 ; let alias = v ; let copy = Array.from(v) ;

Array.from creates a *shallow copy* 

Creates an array from any iterable object



# Iterating over Arrays

Preferred

- Iterators: for ... of, for (..;..;..)
- **Iterators:** forEach(f)
  - f is a function that processes the element
- Iterators: every(f), some(f)
  - f is a function that returns true or false
- Iterators that return a new array: map(f), filter(f)
  - $\,\pm\,$  works on the element of the array passed as parameter
- Reduce: exec a callback function on all items to progressively compute a result.

## Main array methods

- .concat()
  - joins two or more arrays and returns a **new** array.
- .join(delimiter = ',')
  - joins all elements of an array into a (new) string.
- .slice(start\_index, upto\_index)
  - extracts a section of an array and returns a new array.
- .splice(index, count\_to\_remove, addElement1, addElement2, ...)
  - removes elements from an array and (optionally) replaces them, in place

- .reverse()
  - transposes the elements of an array, in place
- .sort()
  - sorts the elements of an array in place
- .indexOf(searchElement[, fromIndex])
  - searches the array for searchElement and returns the **index** of the first match
- .lastIndexOf(searchElement[, fromIndex])
  - like indexOf, but starts at the end
- .includes(valueToFind[, fromIndex])
  - search for a certain value among its entries, returning true or false

## Destructuring assignment

• Value of the right-hand side of equal signal are extracted and stored in the variables on the left

```
let [x,y] = [1,2];
[x,y] = [y,x];
```

```
var foo = ['one', 'two', 'three'];
var [one, two, three] = foo;
```

Useful especially with passing and returning values from functions
 let [x,y] = toCartesian(r,theta);

## Spread operator (3 dots: . . )

• Expands an interable object in its parts, when the syntax requires a comma-separated list of elements

```
let [x, ...y] = [1,2,3,4]; // we obtain y == [2,3,4]
const parts = ['shoulders', 'knees'];
const lyrics = ['head', ...parts, 'and', 'toes']; // ["head", "shoulders",
"knees", "and", "toes"]
```

• Works on the left- and right-hand side of the assignment

## Curiosity

- Copy by value:
  - const b = Array.from(a)
- Can be emulated by
  - const b = Array.of(...a)
  - $\text{const } b = [\ldots a]$



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# Strings in JS

- A string is an **immutable** ordered sequence of Unicode characters
- The length of a string is the number of characters it contains (not bytes)
- JavaScript's strings use zero-based indexing
  - The empty string is the string of length 0
- JavaScript does not have a special type that represents a single character (use length-1 strings).
- String literals may be defined with 'abc' or "abc"
  - Note: when dealing with JSON parsing, only " " can be correctly parsed

## String operations

- All operations always return **new** strings
- s[3]: indexing
- s1 + s2: concatenation
- s.length: number of characters

## String methods

Method	Description
charAt, charCodeAt, codePointAt	Return the character or character code at the specified position in string.
<pre>indexOf, lastIndexOf</pre>	Return the position of specified substring in the string or last position of specified substring, respectively.
<pre>startsWith, endsWith, includes</pre>	Returns whether or not the string starts, ends or contains a specified string.
concat	Combines the text of two strings and returns a new string.
<pre>fromCharCode, fromCodePoint</pre>	Constructs a string from the specified sequence of Unicode values. This is a method of the String class, not a String instance.
split	Splits a String object into an array of strings by separating the string into substrings.
slice	Extracts a section of a string and returns a new string.
substring, substr	Return the specified subset of the string, either by specifying the start and end indexes or the start index and a length.
<pre>match, matchAll, replace, search</pre>	Work with regular expressions.
toLowerCase, toUpperCase	Return the string in all lowercase or all uppercase, respectively.
normalize	Returns the Unicode Normalization Form of the calling string value.
repeat	Returns a string consisting of the elements of the object repeated the given times.
trim	Trims whitespace from the beginning and end of the string.

### Template literals

- Strings included in `backticks` can embed expressions delimited by \${}
- The value of the expression is *interpolated* into the string
  - let name = "Bill";
  - let greeting = `Hello \${ name }.`;
  - // greeting == "Hello Bill."
- Very useful and quick for string formatting
- Template literals may also span multiple lines

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