

findPattern

Syntax	<pre>set result = aString.findPattern(regExpPattern) set result = findPattern(LITERAL, regExpPattern)</pre>
Semantics	Returns the first occurrence of the pattern found in <i>aString</i> . Raises an error if the pattern is not found. Returns a new string. The state of the current string is not changed.
Substitutables	aString Can be any variable or object attribute having the type String .
	regExpPattern Regular expressions (see Regular Expressions for a list of valid regular expressions). An introduction into regular expressions can be found at http://www.regular-expressions.info/ .
	LITERAL String literal.
Error Codes	Find the related error codes on System Errors of string operations .
	FUSS M/21 Cannot find any occurrences of pattern <pattern> in string <string>.
Examples	<p>This example returns <code>result = X in this phrase.</code></p> <pre>set s1 = "The findPattern() operation finds the X in this phrase." set result = s1.findPattern("X.+");</pre> <p>This example throws an error as there is no X in the string at all.</p> <pre>set s1 = "The findPattern() operation won't find the pattern." set result = s1.findPattern("X.+");</pre>

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