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Test for a specified substring within a string.

**Syntax**

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Integer_Type is_substr (String_Type a, String_Type b)
```

**Description**

This function may be used to determine if a contains the string b. If it does not, the function returns 0; otherwise it returns the position of the first occurrence of b in a.

It is important to remember that the first character of a string corresponds to a position value of 1.

**See Also**

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[extract\\_element](#), [is\\_list\\_element](#), [sscanf](#), [str\\_replace](#), [string\\_match](#), [string\\_match\\_nth](#), [strlen](#), [strreplace](#), [strsub](#), [strtrans](#), [substr](#), [time](#)

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