

Scripting languages II (LS2)

Class 04

Coding in jQuery (suite)

Accessing and manipulating classes

Using jQuery, it is easy to add, remove, and toggle CSS classes, which can be very useful:

Explanation:

In the example above, the class textblue is added to <h1> on a click event.

Using a conditional structure

```
<script>
if ($("#myElement").hasClass("content")) {
    // do something here
}
</script>
```

Showing and hiding elements

Explanation:

In the example above, when <section> is clicked, the <div> it contains disappear in 3 seconds (3000 milliseconds). Because it uses .toggle (and not .hide), the <div> reappears if <section> is clicked again.

FadeIn and fadeOut

It is also possible to specifically choose to fade an element in or out, which is always done by animation:

To fade an element only partially, either in or out:

```
$("#myElement").fadeTo(2000, 0.4, function() {
    // do something when fade is finished
}
```

Explanations:

the first parameter (2000) indicates the duration of the animation. The second parameter (0.4) indicates the opacity level.

jQuery Animations and Effects

Sliding elements up or down

Animating CSS manipulation

Explanations:

Animation is defined using the method .animate which contains the CSS to manipulate. The new styles will be set by jQuery gradually according to the parameters used. Although very powerful, jQuery animation has its quirks (for example, animating colors requires a special plugin).