

# JAVASCRIPT DEVELOPMENT

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## **HELLO!**

- 1. Pull changes from the svodnik/jsd6 repo to your computer
- 2. Open the starter-code folder in your code editor

### **JAVASCRIPT DEVELOPMENT**

# SCOPE AND CLOSURES

# **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

At the end of this class, you will be able to

- Determine the scope of local and global variables
- Create a program that hoists variables
- Understand and explain closures

# **AGENDA**

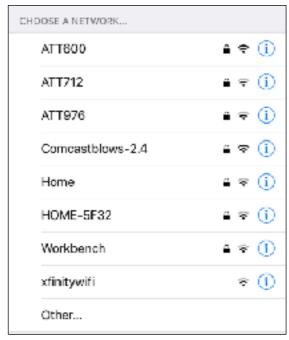
- Variable scope
- The var, let, and const keywords
- Hoisting
- Closures
- Lab

# **Checkin and questions**

- The most significant thing I learned about using Conditionals and Functions is \_\_\_\_\_.
- My biggest outstanding question about using Conditionals and Functions is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# Why do we use different networks to connect to the Internet when we're in different places?

- ▶home
- **▶**GA
- ▶in a car/on MUNI





# SCOPE

# **SCOPE**

Describes the set of variables you have access to

# **GLOBAL SCOPE**

• A variable declared outside of a function is accessible everywhere, even within functions. Such a variable is said to have **global scope**.

# **LOCAL SCOPE**

• A variable declared within a function is not accessible outside of that function. Such a variable is said to have **local scope**.

# var, let, const, AND SCOPE

- var obeys the scoping rules we've just seen
  - » "generic" way to create variables
- let and const are newer keywords with different scoping rules
  - » local scope within functions and within any block (including loops and conditionals)

# let

 used in the same situations as var, but with different scoping rules for code blocks

```
let results = [0,5,2];
```

# const

- used to declare constants
  - » once you've declared a value using const, you can't change the value in that scope
- by convention, constant names use all capital letters

```
const SALESTAX = 0.0875;
```

# var, let, const, AND BROWSER SUPPORT

- let and const are not supported by older browsers
  - » see <u>caniuse.com</u>, search on let
- babel.js (<u>babeljs.io</u>) allows you to transpile newer code into code that works with older browsers as well
- we will use var in class, but feel free to explore let and const on your own

# var, let, AND const

keyword	local scope	can you change the value in the current scope?	browser support
var	within the code block of a <b>function</b> only	yes	all browsers
let	within any code block	yes	only modern browsers
const	within any code block	no	only modern browsers

# HOISTING

- JavaScript's behavior of moving declarations to the top of a scope.
- This means that you are able to use a function or a variable before it has been declared.

## **FUNCTIONS AND HOISTING**

- Function expressions are treated like other variables
  - only the name is hoisted, not the value
- Function declarations are treated differently
  - the code for the entire function is hoisted along with a function declaration

## **BUILDING BLOCKS OF CLOSURES**

- nested functions
- scope
  - » inner function has access to outer function's variables
- return statements
  - » inner function returning reference to outer function's variables

# **CLOSURES**

- A **closure** is an inner function that has access to the outer (enclosing) function's variables.
- You create a closure by adding a function inside another function.
- A closure is also known as lexical scope

### **CLOSURES** — KEY POINTS

- Closures have access to the outer function's variables (including parameters) even after the outer function returns.
- Closures store **references** to the outer function's variables, not the actual values.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES - REVIEW**

- Determine the scope of local and global variables
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### **NEXT CLASS PREVIEW**

### **Hubot Lab**

- Install and configure all utilities needed to run a Hubot
- Write scripts that allow your Hubot to interact with users of the class Slack organization

# Exit Tickets!

# Q&A