# Advanced JavaScript

JavaScript? Again? redbrick.dcu.ie/~edu/AdvancedJS.pdf



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## Plan

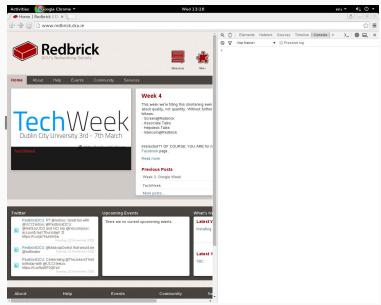
Today's talk will include

- Revision of basics
- Objects
- Classes
- Prototyping
- Async
- Nice things
- Pizza?

# Revision

#### Dev Console

#### Chrome



#### Firefox



#### Making JavaScript files

Make a new file, call it main.js or whatever you want

All code we will work on today will be saved there

```
Make a HTML file and paste this:
```

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
```

```
<html>
```

<head><script src="main.js"></script></head>

```
</html>
```

#### Revision: Hello World

```
var hello = "Hello World"
function printWhatever(something){
    console.log(something);
}
printWhatever(hello);
```

# data types

number: -4, 0, 1, 0.34, 4.352e+12

string: 'Hello World'

array: [1,2,3]

object: {hello: "world"}

function: hello()

boolean: true

undefined: null, undefined, "var x;"

#### **Functions**

```
function myFunc(){}

function myFunc(){return true;}

function myFunc(arg){ return arg;}

// Function taking a argument

var f = function(){}

// Anonymous function in closure
```

# JAVASCRIPT



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# Class - Object - Prototype

#### **Objects: Basic Properties**

Instance of \*something\*

Contain methods

Contain variables

Everything is public

# Objects

Everything is an object\*

```
Empty Object: {}
Key=>Value: {hello: "world"}
Can store any data type:
 • { thing:{} }
 • { multiple: [1,2,3] }
         name: "Wojtek",
         interests: ["space", "servers"]
```

### \*Everything is an object? What?

```
var array = [1,2,3,4]
```

array.push(5) // [1,2,3,4,5]

#### **Using Objects**

```
var data = {
    code: 200,
    message: "OK"
}
console.log(data.code) // 200
data.message = "Not OK... :("
console.log(data) // Object: { code: 200, message: "Not OK... :(" }
```

#### Classes

They don't really exists... yet\*

```
But, you have this:
function Car(make){
     this.make = make;
var tesla = new Car('tesla');
console.log(tesla) // Car {make: "tesla"}
console.log(tesla.make) // "tesla"
```

## \*Future Classes (ECMAScript 6)

```
class Car {
     constructor(make) {
        this.make = make
     }
}
```

Coming to browsers near you in... whenever everybody implements it

# But we are not there yet

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#### Classes: Naive way

```
function Car(make){
    this.make = make;
    this.drive = function(){
         console.log("I drive a" + make);
myCar = new Car("tesla");
myCar.drive(); // I drive a tesla
```

#### Prototyping

- Proper way of making a class
- faster
- more memory efficient

```
function Car(make){
     this.make = make;
Car.prototype.drive = function(){
     console.log("I drive a " + this.make);
Car.prototype.getMake = function(){
     return this.make;
Car.prototype.setMake = function(newMake){
     this.make = newMake;
var tesla = new Car('tesla');
tesla.drive();
tesla.getMake();
zoe = tesla
zoe.setMake('zoe');
```

# Async

# Async

What does it do?

Doesn't block

Continues on with tasks

Revisits the task when it's done

#### Async

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- Non-blocking
- Concurrent

#### **DISADVANTAGES**

- Hard to understand
- Limited scope
- Nested functions

# BUT WHY?

#### Consider this

```
PHP (yes, PHP)
```

The above is blocking, meaning nothing else can be ran while sendToDB() is running

#### JavaScript Async: Example 1

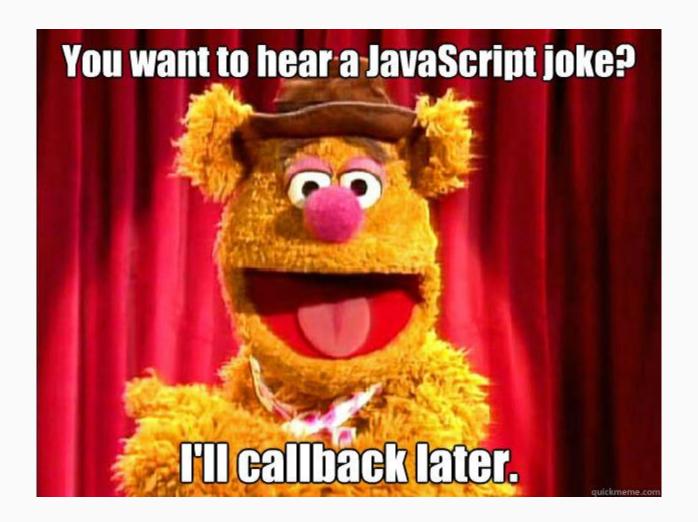
```
var data = req.get['data'];
sendToDB(data, function(){
    res.send(true);
});
res.send("hi");
```

#### JavaScript Async: Example 2

```
// jQuery (frontend helper/framework)
var submit = $('#submit');
submit.click(function(){
    $.post(formData, function(status){
        statusBox.text(status);
    });
});
updateTimeBox();
```

#### Writing Async Code

```
function sumOf(n, callback){
    var total = 0;
    for(var i = 1; i < n; i++){ total += i}
    callback(total);
sumOf(Math.pow(2,51), function(result){
    console.log(result);
});
```



# Nice things

#### Time for fun

You are all experts now

#### Let's cover:

- JSON
- Errors
- Error catching
- Type casting
- Writing JavaScript
- JS: Not only in browsers

#### **JSON**

```
JavaScript Object Notation (JavaScript object as a string)

var data = {code: 200, message: "OK"};

var json = JSON.stringify(data);

console.log(json)

var newData = JSON.parse(json);

console.log(newData);
```

## **JSON**

Don't

Do not stringify a object containing a method. It will fail

#### **Errors**

undefined.

```
var a = [1,2];
console.log( a[1000000] );
```

# **Error Catching**

Gotta Catch 'em All

```
var data = {}
var bad = "{code:200}"
try {
    data = JSON.parse(bad);
} catch( err ){
    console.log("Bad json");
}
```

# **Error Throwing**

Make your own errors

```
var baby = "baby"
try{
    if(baby != "mine"){
        throw baby;
    }
} catch(bby){
    console.log(bby + " caught");
}
```

### Type Casting

```
var raw = "Hello user 42";
var arr = raw.split(" ");
var id = arr[2];
console.log(id); // "42"
```

```
var id = Number(arr[2]);
console.log(id) // 42
```

## Type Casting

x.toString()

String()

Number(x)

Boolean(x)

Converts x to string

^^ same as above

Converts x to number

Converts x to Boolean

#### JS: Not only in browser

Servers nodejs.org

Apps phonegap.com

Drones nodecopter.com

Desktop Apps nwjs.io



# Thank You