

# cs174A-dis1B-week0

January 10, 2020

## 1 CS-174A Discussion 1B, Week 0

@ Ali Hatamizadeh

@ ROLFE 3126 / Friday / 2:00pm- 3:50pm

@ <https://github.com/ahatamiz/cs174a-1b-2020w>

## 2 Outline

- About this course
- JavaScript and WebGL Basic
- Assignment 1

## 3 CS-174A Introduction

### 3.1 About Me:

- Ali Hatamizadeh, Ph.D student in Computer Science
- Office hours: Eng-VI 366, Friday 4:00 - 6:00 PM
- Email: [ahatamiz@ucla.edu](mailto:ahatamiz@ucla.edu)

#### 3.1.1 Grading Policies

- 4 assignments (0 + 10 + 10 + 10): 30 pts
- Team project: 30 pts
- Midterm: 15 pts
- Final: 25 pts

(May change. Stay tuned till the next lecture)

## 4 JavaScript Basics

JavaScript can change HTML content

```
In [1]: %%html
```

```
<p id="demo">JavaScript can change HTML content.</p>
```

```
<button type="button" onclick='document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = "Hello Java">
```

```
<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

## 4.1 Let vs Var vs Constant

var: When you declare a variable with var, its scope is not limited to the block in which it is defined. It's limited to the function in which it is defined.

```
function start(){  
  for (var i=0;i<5;i++){  
  
  }
```

```
  element.text(i)
```

```
}
```

```
In [2]: %%js
```

```
    function start(){  
    for (var i=0;i<5;i++){  
    }
```

```
    element.text(i);
```

```
    }
```

```
    start()
```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

## 4.2 Let vs Var vs Constant

let and constant are block-scoped

```
function start(){  
  for (let i=0;i<5;i++){  
  
  }
```

```
  element.text(i)
```

```
}
```

```
In [3]: %%js
```

```
    function start(){  
    for (let i=0;i<5;i++){
```

```

    }

    element.text(i)

}

start()

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

### 4.3 Some additional points

When you use `var` outside of a function, it creates a global variable and attaches it to the window object in the browser.

When you use `let` to create a global variable, it is not attached to the window object.

### 4.4 Variables and Data types

JavaScript variables are containers for storing data values.

JavaScript variables can hold many **data types**: numbers, strings, objects and more:

```

var length = 16;           // Number
var lastName = "Johnson"; // String
var x = {firstName:"John", lastName:"Doe"}; // Object

```

```

In [4]: %%js
        var num = 16;           // Number
        element.text("The number is " + num)

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```

In [5]: %%js
        element.text('here we go')

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

### 4.5 Objects

You define (and create) a JavaScript object with an object literal:

```
var person = {firstName:"John", lastName:"Doe", age:50, eyeColor:"blue"};
```

## 4.6 Objects

Another way of creating object You define (and create) a JavaScript object with an object literal:

```
var person= new Object()
person.firstName="John"
person.age=50
person.eyeColor="blue"
```

```
In [6]: %%js
        var person= new Object()
        person.firstName="John"
        person.age=50
        person.eyeColor="blue"
        element.text(person['eyeColor'])
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

```
In [7]: %%js
        var person = {firstName:"John", lastName:"Doe", age:50, eyeColor:"blue"};
        element.text(person.firstName + "'s age is " + person["age"]); // two ways for access

        var name = new String("John");
        var name_2 = "John";
        element.text(name === "John");
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

## 4.7 Functions

A JavaScript function is a block of code designed to perform a particular task.

A JavaScript function is executed when "something" invokes it (calls it).

```
In [8]: %%js
        function myFunction(p1, p2) {
            return p1 * p2;    // The function returns the product of p1 and p2
        }

        var a = 3;
        var b = 4;
        element.text("The product of a and b is " + myFunction(a,b))
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

## 4.8 Factory Functions

A factory function creates an object

```
function createCircle(radius,location){

    return {
        radius:radius,
        location:location,
        visible:true,
        draw: function(){element.text('Here we go : draw')}
    }

}
```

```
In [9]: %%js
        function createCircle(radius){

            return {
                radius:radius,
                visible:true,
                draw: function(){element.text('draw')}
            }

        }

        const circle1=createCircle(1)
        circle1.draw()
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

## 4.9 JavaScript this Keyword

" this " in JavaScript refers to the object that is executing the current function

If the function is part of an object ( in other words is a method of that object): " this " references the object itself

Otherwise, " this " refers to the global object ( which is window object in browsers)

```
In [10]: %%js

        const video ={
            title:'a',
            play(){
                element.text(this)
            }
        }

        video.play()
```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
In [11]: %%js
```

```
const video ={
  title:'a',
  play(){
    element.text(this)
  }
}

function playVideo(){
  element.text(this)
}

playVideo()
```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

## 4.10 Constructor Functions

A constructor function also creates an object. Be aware of the naming conventions:

Camel notation: oneTwoThree ( Used for naming factory functions)

Pascal notation : OneTwoThree ( Used for naming constructor functions)

```
function Circle(radius,location){
  //this here is an empty object to which we add radius and location
  //JavaScripts objects are dynamic. Once created, we can add additional methods to them.
  this.radius=radius
  this.location=location
  this.visible=true
  this.draw=function(){element.text('Here we go : draw')}
}
```

```
In [12]: %%js
```

```
function Circle(radius){
  //this here is an empty object to which we add radius
  //JavaScripts objects are dynamic. Once created, we can add additional methods to them.
  this.radius=radius
  this.visible=true
  this.draw=function(){element.text('Here we go : draw')}
}
```

```
const circle1=new Circle(1)
circle1.draw()
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

## 4.11 Object Methods

```
In [13]: %%js
var person = {
  firstName: "John",
  lastName : "Doe",
  id       : 5566,
  fullName : function() {
    return this.firstName + " " + this.lastName;
  }
};
element.text(person.fullName())
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

### 4.11.1 Object Constructors

```
In [14]: %%js
function Person(first, last, age, eye) {
  this.firstName = first;
  this.lastName = last;
  this.age = age;
  this.eyeColor = eye;
}

var myFather = new Person("John", "Doe", 50, "blue");

element.text("My father is " + myFather.firstName + " " + myFather.lastName + ".")
//element.text(myFather)
```

<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>

## 4.12 JavaScript Classes

A class is a type of function, but instead of using the keyword `function` to initiate it, we use the keyword `class`, and the properties is assigned inside a `constructor()` method.

### 4.12.1 Class Definition

Use the keyword `class` to create a class, and always add a constructor method.

The constructor method is called each time the class object is initialized.

```
class Car {  
  constructor(brand) {  
    this.carname = brand;  
  }  
}  
mycar = new Car("Ford");
```

### 4.13 A Quick Way to Learn JS

- <https://www.w3schools.com/js/>

## 5 WebGL Basics

WebGL (Web Graphics Library) is a JavaScript API for rendering interactive 3D and 2D graphics within any compatible web browser without the use of plug-ins. WebGL does so by introducing an API that closely conforms to OpenGL ES 2.0 that can be used in HTML5 `<canvas>` elements.

- [Demo 0: Clearing with colors](#). How to clear the rendering context with a solid color.
- [Demo 1: Simple color animation](#). A very basic color animation.

### 5.1 ... and some other projects

- [WebGL Wather](#)
- [Make me pulse wish 2017](#)

## 6 Assignment 1: Environment Setup and Creating a Simple Rectangle

Posted on CCLE (Week 1)