COMP335 Web Application Development

JQuery

Tentative Schedule

- · Group Project
 - group name and short (one paragraph) description
 - http://goo.gl/forms/eo5wnbMtXf
- Today
- jQuery
- · Next class
 - AJAX
- Assignment#2-CSS
- by Friday 2/26Assignment#3-JavaScript
- TBD
- In-class programming exam (tentative)
 3/14 (M)
- Group project prototyping and presentation
 - 2/29 (M), 3/4(F)

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jQuery History

- A library or framework is software that you can utilize in your own software, which provides some common implementations of standard ideas.
- In August 2005, jQuery founder John Resig was looking into how to better combine CSS selectors with succinct JavaScript notation.
- jQuery is now the most popular JavaScript library currently in use as supported by the statistics from BuiltWith.com.

example: basic.html Including jQuery

- You must either:
 - link to a locally hosted version of the library
 - Use an approved third-party host, such as Google, Microsoft, or jQuery itself
- Benefits using a third-party content delivery network (CDN)?
 - The bandwidth of the file is offloaded
 - The user may already have cached the third-party file
- · Disadvantage to the third-party CDN?
 - your jQuery will fail if the third-party host fails (unlikely)

jQuery Selectors

- The relationship between DOM objects and selectors is important in JavaScript programming.
- A shortcut notation for jQuery() : \$()
- · The four basic selectors are:
 - \$("*") Universal selector matches all elements (and is slow).
 - \$("tag") Element selector matches all elements with the given element name.
 - \$(".class") Class selector matches all elements with the given CSS class.
 - \$("#id") Id selector matches all elements with a given HTML id
- These selectors replace the use of getElementById() and getElementsByTagName().

example: basic.html

The Document Ready Event

\$(document).ready(function(){
 // jQuery methods go here...
});

Anonymous (lambda, \, \), b) function: you can write local functions that can be passed as arguments or returned as the value of function calls.

- This is to prevent any jQuery code from running before the document is finished loading (is ready). For example,
 - Trying to hide an element that is not created yet
 - Trying to get the size of an image that is not loaded yet

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descendant (space)
child (>)
adjacent sibling (+)
and general sibling (~)

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example: BSU.html

jQuery Attributes and Properties

- The set of attributes related to DOM elements are the ones specified in the HTML tags.
 - The *href* attribute of an <a> tag
 - The src attribute of an <imq>
 - The *class* attribute of most elements
- In jQuery we can both set and get an attribute value by using the attr() method on any element from a selector.

Changing CSS

- jQuery provides the extremely intuitive css() methods.
- To get a css value, use css() method with 1 parameter:
 // get the color
 var color = \$("#colourBox").css("background-color");
- To set a CSS variable use css() with two parameters: the first being the CSS attribute, and the second the value.

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// set color to red
$("#colourBox").css("background-color", "#FF0000");
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A comparison of node creation in JS and jQuery

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// pure JavaScript way
var jsLink = document.createElement("a");
jsLink.href = "http://www.funwebdev.com";
jsLink.innerHTML = "Visit Us";
jsLink.title = "JS";

// jQuery way
var jQueryLink = $("<a href='http://funwebdev.com'
title = 'jQuery'>Visit Us</a>");

// jQuery long-form way
var jQueryVerboseLink = $("<a></a>");
jQueryVerboseLink.attr("href",'http://funwebdev.com');
jQueryVerboseLink.attr("title","jQuery verbose");
jQueryVerboseLink.html("Visit Us");

example: prepend.html
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Modifying the DOM

 The append() method takes as a parameter an HTML string, a DOM object, or a jQuery object. That object is then added as the last child to the element(s) being selected.

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HTML Before

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| Sive Class="linkIn">
| Sive Class="linkOut">
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 The prepend() and prependTo() methods operate in a similar manner except that they add the new element as the first child rather than the last.

