Client Side Scripting Using JavaScript

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Browser Must Haves

- HTML Parser/renderer (basic)
- XML Processor
- CSS Parser/renderer
- Javascript Engine
- Plugin Framework/API

Javascript

- HTML/XML-embedded
 - Javascript code can be embedded in HTML via
 - An external script file (*.js) linked to the HTML page via link>
 - Via <script> tag (internal)
 - Or embedded in some HTML tag attributes
- Object-based
 - Page/document, browser, window objects +
 - Several other objects
- Scripting Language
 - Scripts are only for controlling/using defined objects.

Terms Connected To Javascript

- Brendan Eich
- Netscape Communications Corporation
- Netscape Navigator 2.0B3 (Dec, 1995)
- Mocha
- LiveScript
- Jscript
- Java
- ECMA
- ECMAScript
- Javascript 1.7

What is JavaScript?

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JavaScript...

- was designed to add interactivity to HTML Pages
- is a scripting language (lightweight programming language)
- is usually embedded directly to HTML pages
- is an interpreted language (scripts execute without preliminary compilation)
- is FREE

What can JavaScript do?

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JavaScript...

- gives HTML designers a programming tool
- can react to events
- can read and write HTML elements
- can be used to validate data
- can be used to detect a visitor's browser
- can be used to create cookies

JavaScript is an embedded language

In HTML we can embed JavaScript (just like in CSS)

- External script file (*.js extension) linking via <link rel="javascript">, also <script src="url"/>

```
<link rel="javascript" href="jsfile.js"

type="text/javascript" />
```

```
<script language="JavaScript"
src="http://sample.com"></script>
```

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- Internal scripts via <script> tag, which may be embedded anywhere (in head or body)

```
<html>
<body>
<h1>My First Web Page</h1>

<script type="text/javascript">
document.getElementById("demo").in
nerHTML=Date();
</script>
</body>
</html>
```

```
html>
<head>
<script type="text/javascript">
function displayDate()
{
    document.getElementById("demo").in
    nerHTML=Date();
}
</script>
</head>
<body>
```

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- Inline script via the **onxxxxx** attributes of different HTML elements.

```
...
<input type="button" onclick="show_alert()"
value="Show alert box" />
...
```

JavaScript Basics

- JavaScript is Case Sensitive.
- A semicolon (;) at the end of each statement is optional.
 - adding a semicolon at the end of each statement is a good programming practice.
 - Allows multiple statements in one line
- // This is a single line comment /* This is a block/multi-line comment .*/

JavaScript Variables

Variables have no associated type and may change type during run time.

```
x=10; //variable declaration, global
var line='To JS or not to JS';

function getSD(val, arr, trunc) {
  //function body
  y = 101;
}
  //var declarations outside functions are
  //global
```

*The "var" keyword is optional.

JavaScript Operators

= is the assignment operator

Given y=5,

Operator	Description	Example	Result	
+	Addition	x=y+2	x=7	y=5
-	Subtraction	x=y-2	x=3	y=5
*	Multiplication	x=y*2	x=10	y=5
/	Division	x=y/2	x=2.5	y=5
%	Modulus (division remainder)	x=y%2	×=1	y=5
++	Increment	x=++y	x=6	y=6
		x=y++	x=5	y=6
	Decrement	x=y	x=4	y=4
		x=y	x=5	y=4

JavaScript Operators

Given x=10, y=5,

Operator	Example	Same As	Result
=	x=y		x=5
+=	x+=y	x=x+y	x=15
-=	x-=y	x=x-y	x=5
=	x=y	x=x*y	x=50
/=	x/=y	x=x/y	x=2
%=	x%=y	x=x%y	x=0

The + operator can also be used to concatenate strings.

```
txt1="CMSC"; txt2="100"; txt3=txt1+txt2;
txt3="CMSC100"
```

JavaScript Operators

Adding Strings and Numbers

$$x=5+5;$$

ans. 10

$$x="5"+"5";$$

ans. "55"

$$x=5+"5";$$

ans. "55"

$$x="5"+5;$$

ans. "55"

If a number and a string are added, the result will be a string.

JavaScript Comparison and Logical Operators

Comparison Operators: Given x=5,

Operator	Description	Example
==	is equal to	x==8 is false x==5 is true
===	is exactly equal to (value and type)	x===5 is true x==="5" is false
!=	is not equal	x!=8 is true
>	is greater than	x>8 is false
<	is less than	x<8 is true
>=	is greater than or equal to	x>=8 is false
<=	is less than or equal to	x<=8 is true

Logical Operators: Given x=6 and y=3,

Operator	Description	Example
8.8	and	(x < 10 && y > 1) is true
П	or	(x==5 y==5) is false
İ	not	!(x==y) is true

JavaScript Conditional Operator

```
variablename=(condition)?value1:value2;
```

If condition is "true", then valu1 will be assigned to variable name, otherwise value2 will be assigned assigned.

```
Greeting=(visitor=="PRES")?"Dear
President ":"Dear ";
```

JavaScript Conditional Statements

```
If statement
 if (condition)
      code to be executed if condition is true
If..else statement
 if (condition)
      code to be executed if condition is true
    else
      code to be executed if condition is not true
```

JavaScript Conditional Statements

If...else if...else statement

```
if (condition1)
  {
  code to be executed if condition1 is true
  }
else if (condition2)
  {
  code to be executed if condition2 is true
  }
else
  {
  code to be executed if neither condition1 nor
  condition2 is true
  }
```

JavaScript Switch Statement

Switch statement

```
switch(n)
case 1:
  execute code block 1
  break;
case 2:
  execute code block 2
  break;
default:
  code to be executed if n is different from
case 1 and 2
```