

SOEN 287: WEB PROGRAMMING



Chapter 5
JavaScript & HTML Documents

Javascript

We will cover in this part:

- Document Object Model (DOM)
- Document access
- Event handling

DOM (Document Object Model)

- The DOM is a W3C (World Wide Web Consortium) standard.
- The DOM defines a standard for accessing documents:
"The W3C Document Object Model (DOM) is a platform and language-neutral interface that allows programs and scripts to dynamically access and update the content, structure, and style of a document."
(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)
- The DOM is an abstract model that defines the interface between HTML documents and application programs—an API

DOM (**D**ocument **O**bject **M**odel)

- The HTML DOM is a standard for how to get, change, add, or delete HTML elements.
- HTML DOM methods are **actions** you can perform (on HTML Elements)
- HTML DOM properties are **values** (of HTML Elements) that you can set or change



DOM

- A language that supports the DOM must have a binding to the DOM constructs.
- In the JavaScript binding, HTML elements are represented as **objects** and element attributes are represented as **properties**

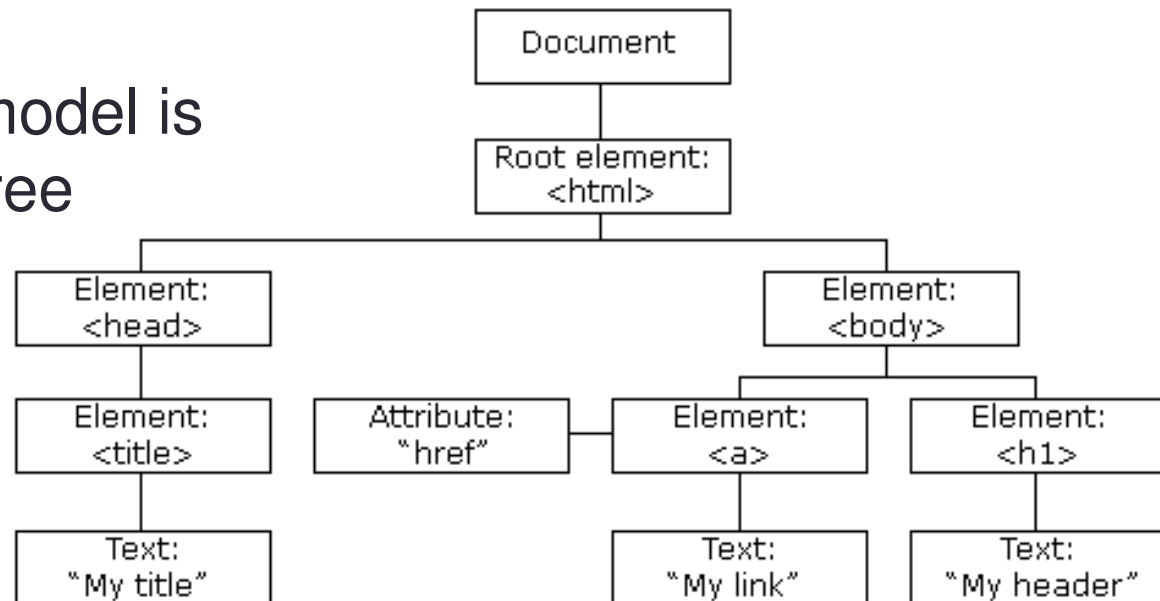
e.g., `<input type = "text" name = "address">`

would be represented as an **object** with two **properties**, **type** and **name**, with the **values** "text" and "address"

HTML DOM

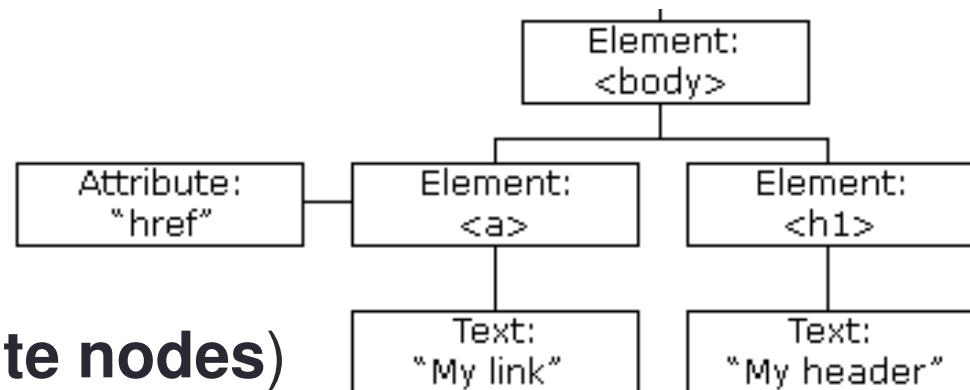
http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp

- When a web page is loaded, the browser creates a **Document Object Model** of the page.
- DOM is a logical structure of a document.
- The **HTML DOM** model is constructed as a tree of **objects**:

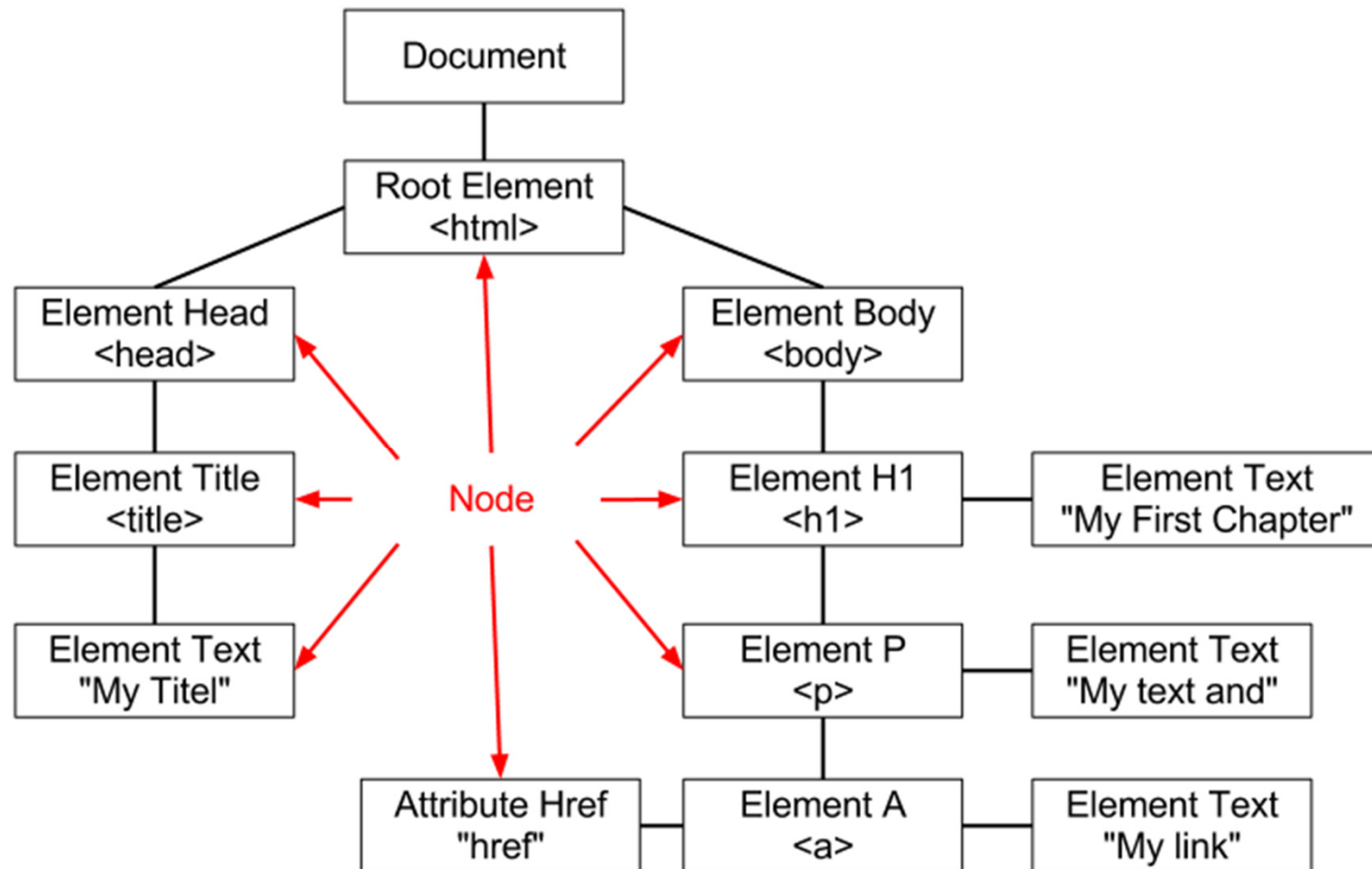


HTML DOM (Document Object Model)

- In the HTML DOM, the **Element object** represents an HTML element.
- Each element object can have **child nodes**
 - Element node
 - Text node
- Elements can also have attributes (**attribute nodes**)



Example of a DOM



DOM

(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- The HTML DOM can be accessed with JavaScript (and with other programming languages).
- In the DOM, all HTML elements are defined as **objects**.
 - A **property** is a value that you can get or set (like changing the content of an HTML element).
 - A **method** is an action you can do (like add or deleting an HTML element).

DOM

(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- The most common way to access an HTML element is to use the id of the element:
method `getElementById()`
- The easiest way to get the content of an element is by using the **innerHTML** property.
- Combining these two

How to locate a DOM element

(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- `getElementById()`
Finding an element by element id
- `getElementsByTagName()` & `getElementsByClassName()`
 - returns a `NodeList` of all elements with the specified name or classname.
 - Elements can be accessed through their node number
- **Ex:**

```
document.getElementById('p1')  
document.getElementsByTagName('div');
```

How to edit/change a DOM element

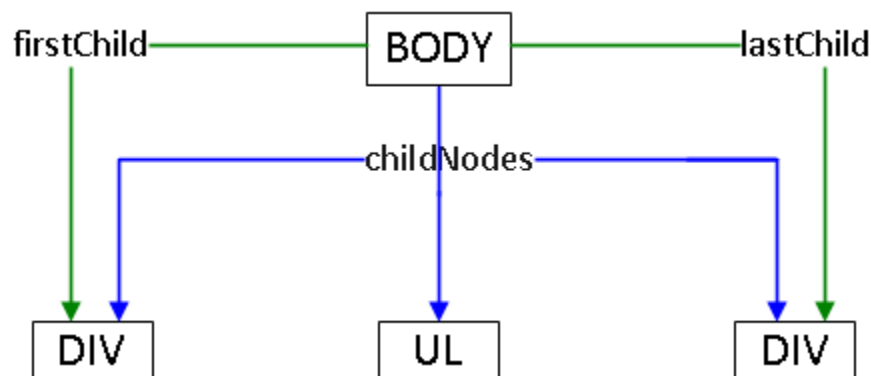
(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- `getElementById(id).innerHTML=`
Changing the inner HTML of an element
- `getElementById(id).setAttribute("attribute ", "newvalue");`
Changing the attribute of an element
- **Example:**
- `getElementById(id).style.attribute=`
Changing the style of an HTML element

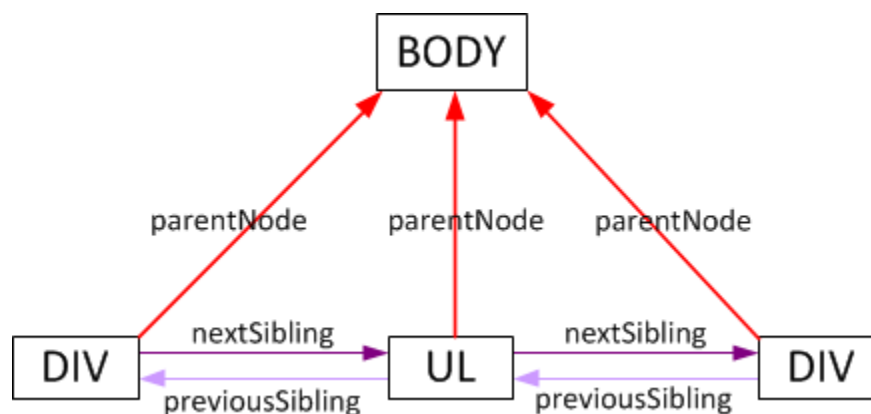
[demo1.html](#)

How to access a specific node relative to current node

- firstChild
- lastChild



- nextSibling
- previousSibling
- parentNode



Creating a node list

(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- The `getElementsByTagName()` method returns a **node list**.
- A node list is an array of nodes.

- Example:

```
var h1Tags = document.getElementsByTagName("h1");
```

To manipulate the 3rd h1 element: `h1Tags[2]`

[bytagname.html](#)

Question



Given the following code segment, how could I access the textnode `Hello World!`?

```
<body>
  Hello World! </ br>
  <p>First another thing</p>
  <div>
    <p>Second another thing</p>
  </div>
  . . . . .
```

<demo2.html>

How to add/delete a DOM element

(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- **document.createElement()**

Create an HTML element

Ex: `var node= document.createElement("p");`

- **removeChild()**

Remove an HTML element

Ex: `var list=document.getElementById("myList");`
`list.removeChild(list.childNodes[0]);`

[demo3.html](#)

https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/tryit.asp?filename=tryjsref_node_removechild

- **appendChild()**

Add an HTML element

Ex:

`document.getElementById("myList").appendChild(new
Element);`

[demo4.html](#)

How to add/delete a DOM element

(http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM.asp)

- **replaceChild()**
Replace an HTML element
- **insertBefore()**
insert an HTML node as a child, before a specified existing child

[demo5.html](#)

What changes from
demo4.html?

How to see a DOM tree?

- IE9+, FX3+, and Chrome have ways to show the tree of a document
- Let's look at how Chrome display the DOM tree:
File: [table3.html](#)



DOM & JavaScript

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- Thanks to the object model, JavaScript has what it needs to create *dynamic* HTML.
- JavaScript can ...
 - change all the HTML elements in the page
 - change all the HTML attributes in the page
 - change all the CSS styles in the page
 - remove existing HTML elements and attributes
 - add new HTML elements and attributes
 - react to all existing HTML events in the page
 - create new HTML events in the page

DOM & JavaScript



How do we tell system to *take* the input of 2 text fields and *perform* a requested operation?

- User does something and the page reacts!
- Purpose of JavaScript!!!!
- But needs a way to know when user does something so that an *event* can happen and where to get data from

Handling Events from ...

- body **elements**
 - load **and** unload
- button **elements**
 - mouseover, click, mouseout, dblclick, mousedown, mouseup, reset, ...
- text box **and** password **elements**
 - blur, focus, change **and** select

Events and Event Handling

- An **event** is a notification that something specific has occurred, either with the browser or an action of the browser user
- An **event handler** is a script that is implicitly executed in response to the appearance of an event
- The process of connecting an event handler to an event is called **registration**

How do we access elements?

There are several ways to do it

```
<form action = "">  
  <input type = "button" name = "pushMe" />  
</form>
```

1. DOM address

Use the `forms` and `element` arrays of the `Document` **object**

```
document.forms[0].elements[0]
```

Problem: document changes

How do we access elements? ...

2. **Element names** – requires the element and all of its ancestors (except `body`) to have **name** attributes

Example:

```
<form name = "myForm"  action = ">  
  <input type = "button"  name = "pushMe"  />  
</form>
```

```
document.myForm.pushMe
```

Problem: XHTML 1.1 spec doesn't allow the `name` attribute on `form` elements

How do we access elements? ...

3. getElementById Method (defined in DOM 1)

Example:

```
<form action = "">  
    <input type = "button"   id = "pushMe" />  
</form>
```

```
document.getElementById("pushMe")
```

How do we access elements? ...

Checkboxes and radio button have an implicit array, which has their name

```
<form id = "topGroup" >
  <input type = "checkbox"  name = "toppings"
        value = "olives" />
  ...
  <input type = "checkbox"  name = "toppings"
        value = "tomatoes" />
</form>
...
var numChecked = 0;
var dom = document.getElementById("topGroup");
for index = 0; index < dom.toppings.length; index++)
  if (dom.toppings[index].checked)
    numChecked++;
```

Adding functionality to an HTML file

Welcome to Nancy's Calculator

Enter two numbers

Num1 Num2

Click the arithmetic operation you wish to perform.

Result

[calculator.html](#) (uses **name** attribute in form element)

calculator1.html (uses **id** attribute in form element)

Processing Text: [Calculator.html](#)

In the form have:

- Input: 2 operands into 2 text fields

```
<input type="text" size="5" name="num1" />
```

```
<input type="text" size="5" name="num2" />
```

- Action: The four buttons each have an `onclick` event handler

```
<input type="button" value="+" onclick="add()" />
```

- Output: Calculated results appears in a text field

```
<input type="text" size="10" name="result" />
```

- Function(s): `add()` is a function written using JavaScript

Code for calculator.html form

```
<form name = "calc" >
```

uses **name** attribute
in form element

```
Num1<input type="text" size="5" name="num1" />
```

```
Num2<input type="text" size="5" name="num2" /><br /><br />
```

```
<input type="button" value="+" onclick="add()" />
```

```
<input type="button" value="-" onclick="subtract()" />
```

```
<input type="button" value="*" onclick="multiply()" />
```

```
<input type="button" value="/" onclick="divide()" /> <br /><br />
```

```
<input type="reset" value="Clear" /><br /><br />
```

```
Result<input type="text" size="10" name="result" />
```

```
</form>
```

Num1 Num2

Click the arithmetic operat

Result

add() function

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

```
<!--
```

```
function add(){
```

```
    var num1=parseFloat(document.calc.num1.value);
```

```
    var num2=parseFloat(document.calc.num2.value);
```

```
    document.calc.result.value=num1+num2;
```

```
}
```

```
. . . . .
```

```
//-->
```

```
</script>
```

Uses form name

Why do we need `parseFloat()`?
What happens if we try to add `1.5 + 2`?



multiply() function



```
<script type="text/javascript">  
<!--  
function multiply(){  
  
  
}  
.  
. . . . .  
//-->  
</script>
```

Let's look at the complete code: **calculator.html**
(Pay attention to the `divide()`)

Difference between calculator.html & calculator1.html

- `<form name = "calc">` (calculator.html)
 `function add() {` (calculator.js)
 `var num1=parseFloat(document.calc.num1.value);`
 `var num2=parseFloat(document.calc.num2.value);`
 `document.calc.result.value=num1+num2; }`
- `<form id = "calc">` (calculator1.html)
 `function add() {` (calculator1.js)
 `var dom=document.getElementById("calc");`
 `var num1=parseFloat(dom.num1.value);`
 `var num2=parseFloat(dom.num2.value);`
 `dom.result.value=num1+num2; }`

Validating a Form/Processing Options

- Usually will validate a form before submitting it



Welcome to my thrift store!

What would you like to buy?

- ☐ Item1 \$14.99
- ☐ Item2 \$12.99
- ☐ Item3 \$13.99
- ☐ Item4 \$11.99

Choose Payment Method

- ☐ Money Order (20% service charge)
- ☐ Personal Check (10% service charge)
- ☐ Visa (Preferred (20% discount)
- ☐ MasterCard (10% discount)

What type of validation would we need?

What would the DOM of this page look like?

What elements are there?

Complete code for form



```
<form name="payform">
  <h2>Welcome to my thrift store!</h2>
  <h4>What would you like to buy?</h4><br /><br />

  <input type= _____ name="item" value="14.99" />
    Item1 $14.99<br />

  <input type= _____ name="item" value="12.99" />
    Item2 $12.99<br />

  <input type= _____ name="item" value="13.99" />
    Item3 $13.99<br />

  <input type= _____ name="item" value="14.99" />
    Item4 $11.99<br /><br />
```

Complete code for form



```

<h4>Choose Payment Method</h4><br />
<input type= _____ name="pay" value="1.2" />
        Money Order (20% service charge)<br />

<input type= _____ name="pay" value="1.1" />
        Personal Check (10% service charge)<br />

<input type= _____ name="pay" value=".8" />
        Visa (Preferred (20% discount)<br />

<input type= _____ name="pay" value=".9" />
        MasterCard (10% discount)<br />  <br /><br />

<input type= _____ value="Process Order"
        onclick="total()" />

<input type= _____ value="Reset Form" />

</form>

```

Function total()

```
function total() {  
    var subtotal=0;  
    var buy=false;  
  
    var elmnts=document.payform.elements;  
  
    for(var x=0 ; x<=3 ; x++) {  
        if (elmnts[x].checked) {  
            subtotal=subtotal+parseFloat(elmnts[x].value);  
            buy = true;  
        }  
    }  
    if(!buy) {  
        window.alert("You must buy something.");  
        return false;  
    }  
    ....  
}
```

[shop.html](#)

Registering event handler

- Method 1: Assigning the event handler to an event tag attribute

```
<input type="button" value="+" onclick="add()" />
```

- Method 2: Assigning the event handler's name to the associated event property on the button object.

Our next example will illustrate this.

Are the passwords the same?

Password Input

Your password

Verify password

Reset

Submit Query

[pswd_chk.html](#) / [pswd_chk.js](#) / [pswd_chkr.js](#)

Validating Text



- DOM tree?

Name:

E-mail:

Postal Code:

Code to validate email



- Format of an email?
- Some methods/attributes to help:
 - `varname.length`
 - `countchar(varname, "c")` where `c` is a character
 - `varname.indexOf("string looking for")`
 - `varname.lastIndexOf("string looking for")`

```
var email =  
if(
```