# **CS/COE 1520**

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Storage

# One thing we haven't talked about is JS file I/O

- Because there isn't any!
  - O Why?
- So we just pull all information from the web?

#### **Storage**

- As part of HTML5, an API for Web Storage was proposed
  - Has the browser allocate space for JS apps to store data on the client machine
    - Amount available per domain varies by browser
      - <4MB is a good rule of thumb</li>
  - Data is stored as key/value pairs
    - Both strings
- Two implementations of this API are available to JS apps:
  - localStorage
  - sessionStorage

## **localStorage**

- localStorage.length
  - Read only value
  - Number of key/value pairs stored in localStorage
- localStorage.getItem(key)
- localStorage.setItem(key, value)
- localStorage.removeItem(key)
- localStorage.key(index)
  - For a given index n, return the n<sup>th</sup> key in localStorage
- localStorage.clear()
  - Remove all key/value pairs from localStorage

## sessionStorage

- Has the same API as localStorage
  - Both implement Storage
- However, sessionStorage is cleared as soon as the session on the current page is ended
  - E.g., the browser window/tab is closed
  - When the same page is loaded in a different window/tab, a new session is created
- Why would you use sessionStorage as opposed to simple variable storage?