COMP 4021 Internet Computing

jQuery Introduction

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jQuery JavaScript Library

- You all know how to use JavaScript to search particular elements in DOM and manipulate the DOM
- □ Is it an easy task? Most people say, NO ...
- JQuery is a JavaScript library (http://jquery.com), also called a web tool kit, for DOM manipulation, event handling, client-server interaction
- Most popular JavaScript library in use today
 - Other toolkits: Yahoo UI Library (YUI), Google Web Toolkit, etc.

What jQuery Does

- □ Select DOM elements using CSS-like selectors
- Set properties of selected DOM elements
- Create, delete, show, hide DOM elements
- Defines event behavior (click, mouse movement, dynamic styles, animations, dynamic content)
- AJAX calls

While CSS separates <u>style</u> from structure, JQuery separates behavior from structure

jQuery Ready Function

Execute a function as soon as a page is fully loaded

```
$(document).ready(function() {
   // binds a click event to all <A> elements
   $("a").click(function() {
    alert("Click on Link!");
   });
});
```

What is the problem of executing a function before a page is fully loaded?)

jQuery Example

Try to read this code even if do not know jQuery

http://cs.calvin.edu/curriculum/is/337/hplantin/examples/jquery3.html

```
$(document).ready(function() {
 $("#greenbox").click(function() {
  $("#greenbox").hide();
  $("#redbox").show();
 });
 $("#redbox").click(function() {
  $("#redbox").hide();
  $("#greenbox").show();
 });
});
```

Website Administration

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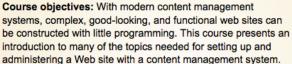
Course objectives: With modern content management systems, complex, good-looking, and functional web sites can be constructed with little programming. This course presents an introduction to many of the topics needed for setting up and

administering a Web site with a content management system.

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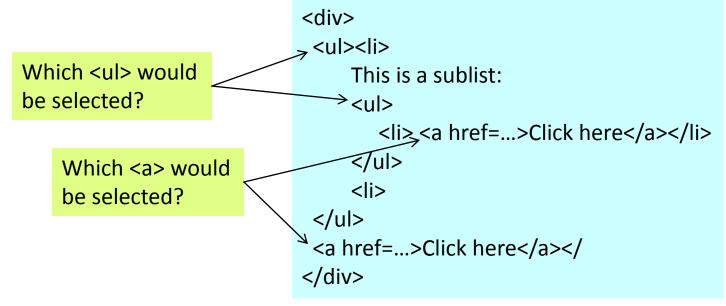




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Some Selectors

- A > B means B must be a direct child of A
- A B means B must be a descendant of A
- \$("div > ul a") reads: All <a> elements which are descendants of elements which are direct children of <div> elements



Select and Action Example

 Select all elements within element with ID=orderedlist, and add the class "blue" (defined in CSS)

```
$(document).ready(function() {
    $("#orderedlist > li").addClass("blue");
});

Likewise: $("#orderedlist > li").removeClass("blue");

<... </li>
```

For another example see: https://jsfiddle.net/qb2n7h5L/2/

Some Useful Selectors

```
id of element
  $('#id')
  $('p')
                   tag name
  $('.class')
                   CSS class
                    elements having the CSS class
  $('p.class')
                   $('p:last') / $('p:odd') / $('p:even')
□ $('p:first')
                   gets the 2<sup>nd</sup>  element (0 based)
□ $('p')[1]
 $('p a')
                   <a> elements, descended from a 
□ $('p>a')
                   <a> elements, direct child of a 
□ $('p+a')
                   <a> elements, directly following a 
□ $('p, a')
                    and <a> elements
  $('li:has(ul)')
                   elements that have at least one descendent
  $(':not(p)')
                   all elements but  elements
  $('p:hidden')
                   only  elements that are hidden
                    elements that have no child elements
  $('p:empty')
```

Some Useful jQuery Functions

```
.each()
                iterate over the set
.size()
                number of elements in set
.get(n)
                get just the nth element (0 based)
.eq(n)
                get just the nth element (0 based) also .lt(n) & .gt(n)
.not('p')
                don't include 'p' elements in set
.add('p')
                add  elements to set
.remove()
                removes all the elements from the page DOM
.empty()
                removes the contents of all the elements
.filter(fn/sel)
                selects elements where the func returns true or sel
.find(selector)
                selects elements meeting the selector criteria
.parent()
                returns the parent of each element in set
.children()
                returns all the children of each element in set
.next()
                gets next element of each element in set
.prev()
               gets previous element of each element in set
.siblings()
                gets all the siblings of the current element
```

Add Page Elements

- \$('#target').before('Inserted before #target');
- \$('#target').after('This is added after #target');
- \$('#target').append('Goes inside #target, at end');
- \$('#target').wrap('<div></div>');

Adding Events

- □ For every JavaScript event, like onclick, onchange, onsubmit, there is a jQuery equivalent
 - Mouseover events bind, hover, toggle
 - Button click events
 - Keystrokes

Event Binding

- \$('img').bind('click',function(event){alert('Howdy';});
- \$('img').bind('click',imgclick(event));
- \$('img').unbind('click',imgclick());
- \$('img').unbind('click');
- \$('img').one('click',imgclick(event)); // event handling function is run only once
- \$('img').click(imgclick);
- \$('img').toggle(click1, click2);
- \$('img').hover(mouseover, mouseout); // functions to call when mouse enters and leaves the image

'Event' properties

- event.target ref to element triggering event
- Event.target.id id of element triggering event
- event.currentTarget
- event.type type of event triggered
- event.data
 second parm in the bind() func
- Various mouse coordinate properties
- Various keystroke related properties

Shortcut Event Binding

- .click(func)
- .submit(func)
- .dblclick(func)
- .mouseover(func)
- .mouseout(func)
- .select(func)

Useful Event Functions

- □ .hide() display:true
- □ .show() display:none
- .toggle(func1, func2) first click calls func1, next click executes func2
- .hover(over, out) mouseover, mouseout

AJAX

- What is AJAX
- The basic AJAX function XMLHttpRequest
- Initiating a request
- Getting the response

AJAX Call

Sending GET Ajax request:

```
jQuery.get(
   url
   [, data]
   [, success(data, textStatus, jqXHR)]
   [, dataType] )

url: a string containing the URL of called program
   data: a map or string sent to the server
   success(data, textStatus, jqXHR): callback function
   dataType: type of data expected from the server
```

Loading Content

■ Load a file from server into a div:

```
$("div").load("content.htm");
```

□ Invoke a server program to return data from server:

```
// passing parameters to server program
$("#content").load("getcontent.php",
Parameter passed to server {d:0123});
```

Sending GET/POST requests

Similar to .load() function but with callback function

Introducing JSON Data

- JSON: JavaScript Object Notation
 - A standard to represent object data for passing between applications (e.g., client programs and server programs)
 - How to pass an array from a PHP program to a JS program on browser?

Retrieving JSON Data

Processing Data with .each()

```
$("div").each(function(index, value) {
    $(value).append(" div " + index);
});
```

- each() loops through all matching div elements and executes the callback function on each element
- □This example appends a message to each div; see https://jsfiddle.net/jfkLq54t/

Using .each() in jQuery

```
var arr = [ "one", "two", "three", "four", "five" ];
jquery.each(arr, function(index, value) {
    alert(index + " : " + value);
});
```

- .each() loops through all array element and executes the callback function on each element
- See https://jsfiddle.net/jLqnwLe3//

Processing JSON Data with .each()

```
□ $.getJSON("users.php", function(users){
    $.each(users, function(index, value){
                                                Returns users as an
        $("div").append(value.Name + " ");
                                                array of objects:
                                                [ { "ld" : "0123",
    });
                                                "Name": "Lee", },
  });
         Returns users as an object:
                                                { "ld" : "1123",
         { "Id " : "0123" , "Name" : "Lee" }
                                                "Name" : "Chan" } ]
 $.getJSON("users.php", function(users){
    $.each(users, function(key, value){
       $("div").append("" + key + "" +
                         "" + value + "/td>");
    });
  });
```

Take Home Message

- JQuery is a popular JavaScript library
- jQuery implements many popular interaction functions (e.g., autocomplete, which will be discussed next)
- Provide a CSS-like selectors to specific elements to which actions are applied (compared to navigating DOM using JavaScript only)
- Convenient event handling and Ajax functions