

# Events In JS

We have 3 main event concepts which are very useful to understand internal working of event:

- Event Bubbling
- Event Capture
- Event Propagation

## Event Bubbling

Event bubbling is a concept in which, if we trigger an event on any child, then that event is also tracked by ancestors of the corresponding child. For example:

```
<main>
  <section>
    <div >

      <form id="form">
        <input id="inp" type="text" />

      </form>

      <button id="btn">
        Click me
      </button>

    </div>
  </section>
</main>
```

Here if we attach a click event listener to the `button` then also start tracking click event on the parent `div`, grandparent `section` and great grand parent `main` then the click event will also be tracked by them.

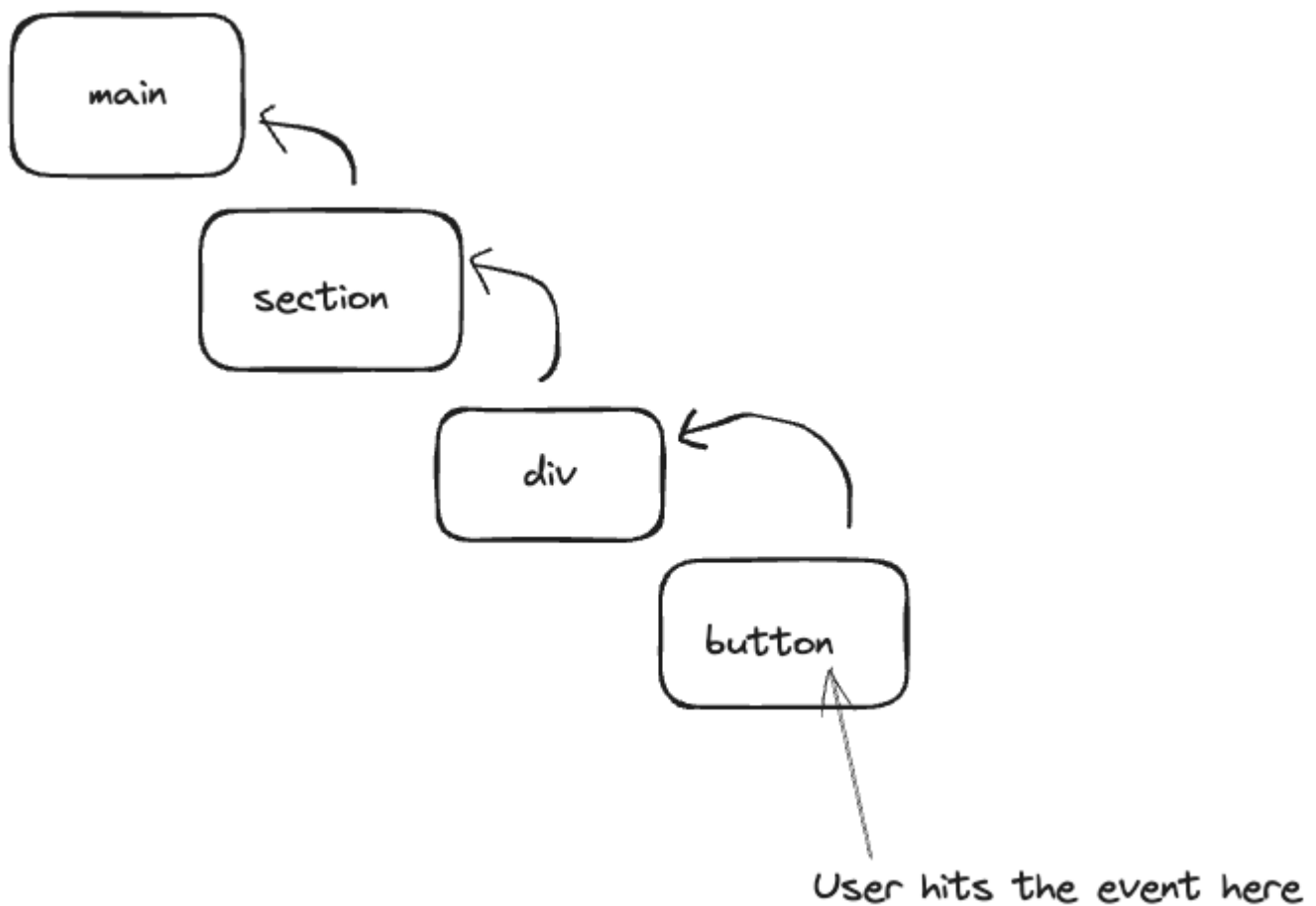
```
document.getElementById("btn").addEventListener("click", () => {
  console.log("button clicked");
});

document.querySelector("main").addEventListener("click", () => {
  console.log("event reached main");
});
```

```
});  
  
document.querySelector("section").addEventListener("click", () => {  
    console.log("event reached section");  
})  
  
document.querySelector("div").addEventListener("click", () => {  
    console.log("event reached div");  
})
```

If we click on the button the output we will get is:

```
"button clicked"  
"event reached div"  
"event reached section"  
"event reached main"
```



**Can we stop event bubbling ?**

Yes, we can do it by using `event.stopPropagation()` . So on whatever element we call `event.stopPropagation`, right on that element event bubbling stops.

## Event Delegation

This is a technique in which instead of starting from child to the parent everybody listens for the event, we just delegate this task to the parent only to listen to the corresponding fired events.

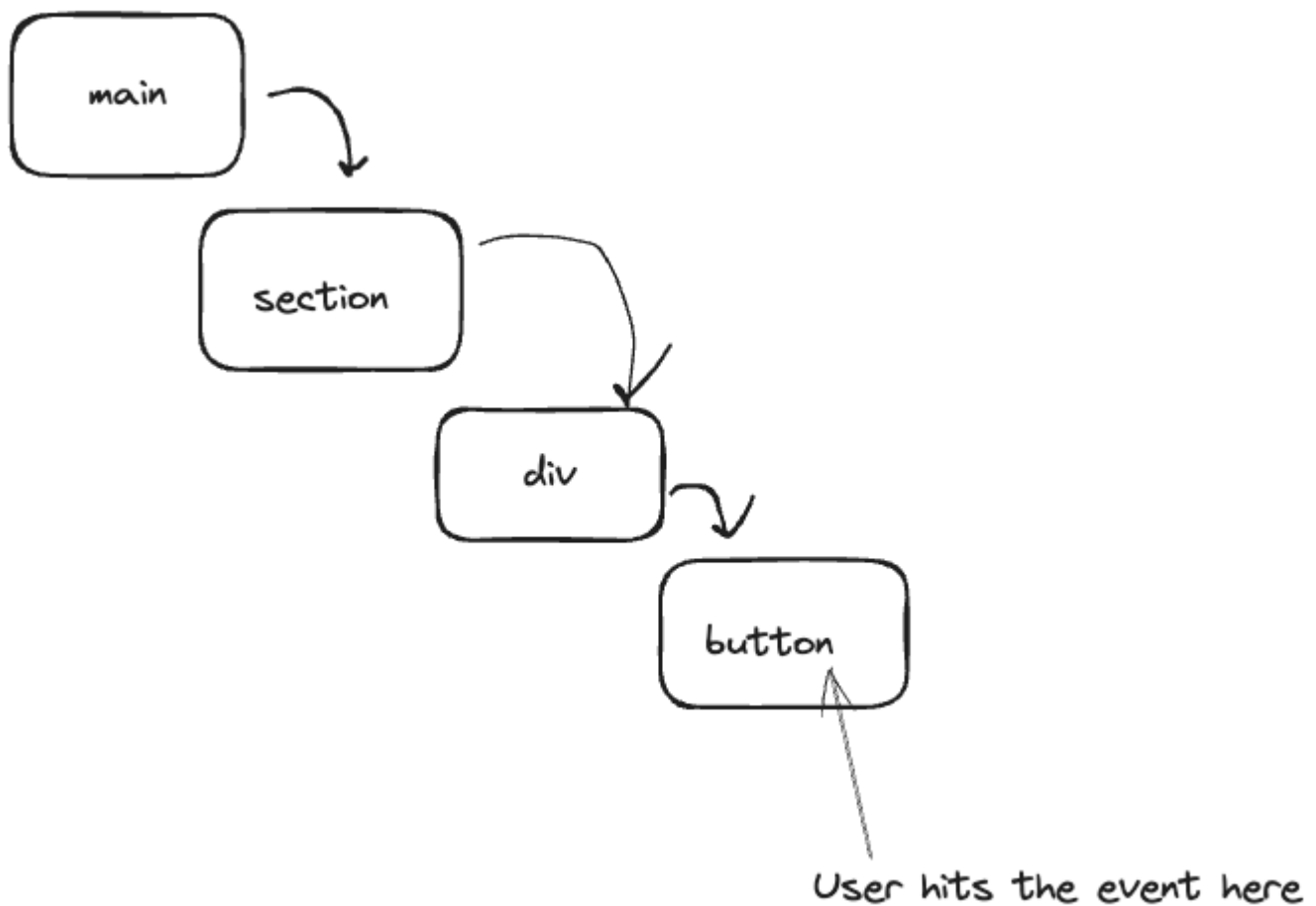
```
document.querySelector("main").addEventListener("click", () => {  
    console.log("event reached main");  
});
```

Here instead of the whole, we selected one of the ancestors and then, added the event listener to them .

## Event capturing

The `addEventListener` method takes a third argument called as `useCapture` which is a boolean argument (default false). This argument enables event capturing for us. What is event capturing ?

Event capturing is a mechanism in which event on the parent is tracked first and then event on any nested child is tracked.



So here if the user clicks on the button then, first the click event of main is trigger then section then div and then button. And we can stop this capturing anywhere in between using `event.stopPropagation()`.

```
document.getElementById("btn").addEventListener("click", (event) => {
  console.log("button clicked");
}, true);
document.querySelector("main").addEventListener("click", (event) => {
  console.log("event reached main");
}, true);
document.querySelector("section").addEventListener("click", () => {
  console.log("event reached section");
  event.stopPropagation();
}, true)

document.querySelector("div").addEventListener("click", (event) => {
  console.log("event reached div");
}, true)
```

So here the third parameter is passed as true enabling event capture. If we enable useCapture on only a few elements then only those will be tracked with their capturing phase, else everyone will work with bubbling.