Javascript in the browser

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Example

Javascript: Inline, embedded or separate file?

Inline

```
<button onclick="console.log("Hello World!);">Click me</button>
```

Embedded

```
<script type="text/javascript">
     console.log("Hello World!);
</style>
```

Separate file

```
<script src="js/script.js"></script>
```

Javascript in the browser is restrictive

- √ You can access elements of the webpage and the browser
- √ You can track user actions on the webpage (events)
- √ You can create threads (web workers)
- √ You can open sockets (web sockets)
- **√** ...
- You cannot access the file system (only via the upload form)
- You cannot access to other programs
- You cannot access to other tabs in the browser
- ...

The Browser

Pop-up Boxes

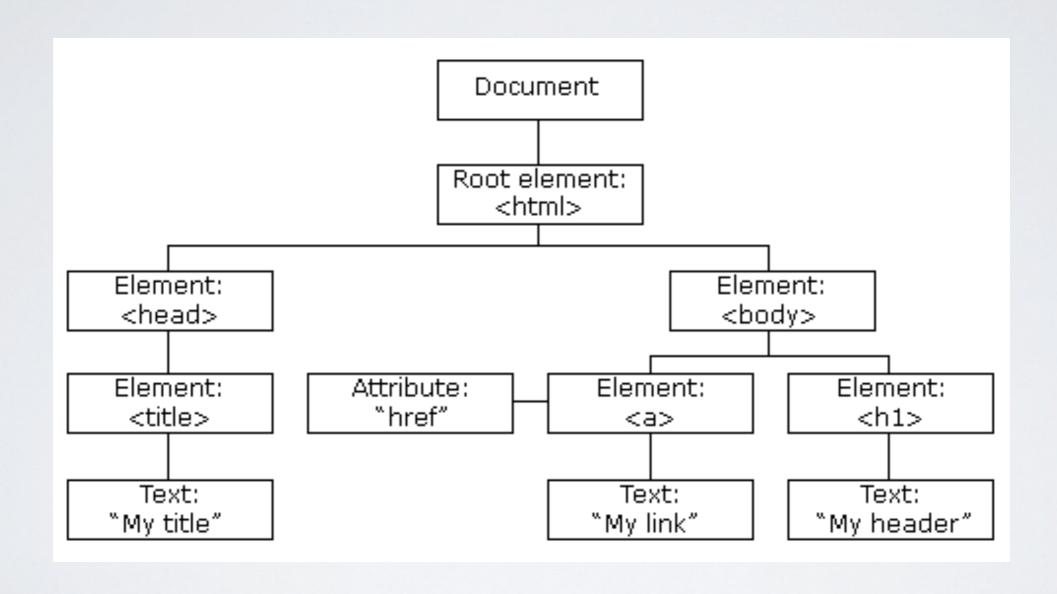
| alert("hello world!") | dialog box with "ok" button |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| confirm("are you sure?") | dialog box with "ok" and "cancel" buttons |
| <pre>prompt("Name?","John")</pre> | input box with prompt text and default value |

The Browser

| screen | the visitor's screen |
|---------|----------------------------|
| browser | the browser itself |
| window | the current browser window |
| url | the current url |
| history | Back and forward URLs |

Document Object Model

DOM - Document Object Model



Node accessors

The root node

document

Accessors

```
document.getElementById("id")
document.getElementByTagName("p");
document.getElementByClassName("class");
document.querySelector("#id .class p");
document.querySelectorAll("#id .class p");
```

DOM methods

| x.innerHTML | the content of x |
|---------------|----------------------------|
| x.attributes | the attributes nodes of x |
| x.style | css of x |
| x.parentNode | the parent node of x |
| x.children | the child nodes of x |
| x.appendChild | insert a child node to x |
| x.removeChild | remove a child node from x |
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https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/Document_Object_Model

Events

DOM events and handlers

| e.onload | when e is fully loaded |
|-------------|---|
| e.onclick | when e is clicked |
| e.onsubmit | when e is submitted |
| e.onhover | when the mouse is on top e |
| e.onkeydown | when a key is pressed while e is in focus |
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https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events

User-defined events and listeners

Custom events

```
// Listen for the custom event
document.addEventListener('onSomething', function(e){
        console.log(e.detail);
});

// Dispatch the custom event
document.dispatchEvent(new CustomEvent('onSomething',
{ e.detail: 'Hello World!}));
```