Dojo Widgets (Dijit)



Topics

- What are Widgets, What is Dijit?
- How to use widgets
 - Declaratively or programmatically
- Form widgets
 - Input form validation
- Layout widgets
- Command control widgets
- User assistance and feedback widgets
- Advanced editing and display widgets
- Themes and Design

What is a Widget? What is Dijit?

What is a Widget?

- Is a UI element such as a button, text box, scroll bar, calendar, tree etc
 - Widgets are a lot easier to deal with than DOM APIs
- Can be a composite element
- Can have custom style
- Event handlers can be registered
 - Event handlers might call backend service
- Can handle browser incompatibilities

What is Dijit?

- Dojo Widget Library
 - > A widget system layered on top of dojo.
- Fully theme'able
 - Come with three default themes
 - > You can override the theme by container or by element to add nuance and flair.
- Fully internationalized
- Fully accessible

Widgets in Dijit

- Form, Validation, Specialized Input
 - CheckBox, ComboBox, DateTextBox, InlineEditBox, Slider, Textarea, TextBox, ValidationTextBox, etc
- Layout
 - > AccordionContainer, Border Container, ContentPane, etc.
- Command control
 - > Button, DropDownButton, ComboButton, Menu, Toolbar
- User assistance and feedback
 - Dialog, TooltipDialog, PregressBar, TitlePane, Tooltip
- Advanced editing and display
 - > Editor, Grid, Tree

How to Use Widgets

How to Use Widgets

- Declaratively or Programmatically
 - Declaratively by using special attributes inside of regular HTML tags (markup)
 - > Programmatically through JavaScript.
- You have the same options either way

Using Widgets Declaratively (Markup)

- Be sure to dojo.require your widget.
- Be sure to include the Dojo parser!
- Widgets are created as soon as the DOM is created (if possible) before any other addOnLoad callbacks.
- Create your markup, and add the following attribute to the main node:

```
<div dojoType="path.to.widget"></div>
```

...where "path.to.widget" is the fully qualified name of the widget constructor

Example: Creating a Progress Bar Declaratively

```
<head>
  <script src="dojotoolkit/dojo/dojo.js"</pre>
    djConfig="parseOnLoad: true">
  </script>
  <script>
    dojo.require("dojo.parser");
    dojo.require("dijit.ProgressBar");
  </script>
</head>
<body>
  <div style="width: 400px;" maximum="200" id="setTestBar"</pre>
    progress="20" dojoType="dijit.ProgressBar">
  </div>
</body>
```

Creating Widgets Programatically

- DOM should be available before creating widgets programmatically.
 - Unless you pass it a new parentless node (or no node)
 - > dojo.addOnLoad
- Call the widget constructor directly:

```
var myWidget = new dijit.form.Button({
    // properties
    iconClass:"someCSSclass"
}, "myButtonNode");
```

Constructor Parameters

- All widget constructors take two arguments:
 - > A properties object
 - > A node reference
- Node reference is optional, but is considered good practice.
 - > A div will be automatically created.
- Properties object is a set of named arguments you can use to set various properties on a widget.

Example: Creating a Progress Bar Programmatically

```
<head>
  <script src="dojotoolkit/dojo/dojo.js"></script>
  <script>
    dojo.require("dijit.ProgressBar");
    dojo.addOnLoad(function() {
      var instance = new dijit.ProgressBar({
        maximum: 200,
        progress: 20
      }, "setTestBar");
    });
  </script>
</head>
<body>
  <div style="width: 400px;" id="setTestBar"></div>
</body>
```

Dijit Form Widgets

Form Widgets – Common Characteristics

- All widgets beginning with "dijit.form"
- The form widgets can be used in a FORM tag, in a dijit.form.Form widget, or outside of a form.

Form Widgets – Common Characteristics

Common Attributes

> disabled, intermediateChange, tabIndex

Common Methods

- focus set the focus on this widget
- yetValue get the value of the widget
- setValue set the value of the widget
- reset resets the widget to its initial value
- undo restore the value to the last value passed to onChange
- setAttribute Controls all sorts of attributes for widgets like disabled, readonly, etc.

Common Extension Points

onChange – callback when value is changed

Form Widget – convenience methods

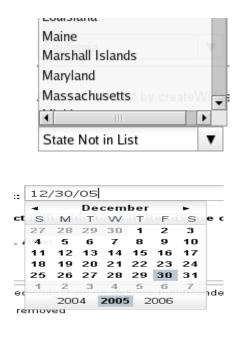
- Convenience methods added to regular HTML form
 - > getValues generate JSON structure from form values get widget values
 - > setValues fill in form values from a JSON structure generate map from name --> [list of widgets with that name]
 - > isValid Return true if every widget's isValid method returns true.
 - > submit programmatically submit form

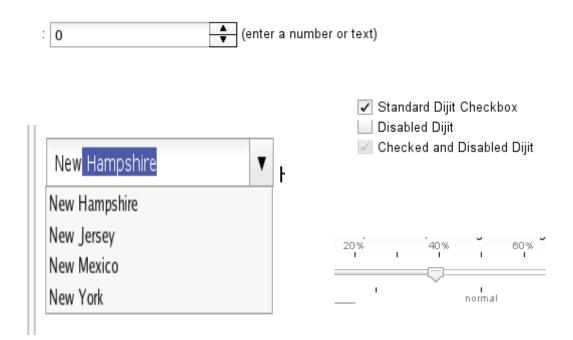
Form Widget – Extension Points

- Extension points
 - execute User defined function to do stuff when the user hits the submit button

Form Widgets

 CheckBox, RadioButton, ComboBox, DateTextBox, FilterSelect, NumberSpinner, NumberTextBox, Slider, TextArea, TextBox, etc



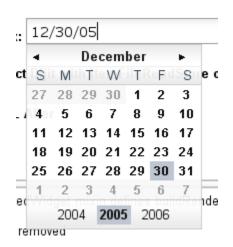


dijit.form.ComboBox Example

```
<head>
  <script type="text/javascript">
     dojo.require("dijit.form.ComboBox");
     function setVal1(value) {
   alert("Selected "+value);
  </script>
</head>
<body class="tundra">
  <select name="state1"
       dojoType="dijit.form.ComboBox"
       autocomplete="true"
       value="California"
       onChange="setVal1">
       <option selected="selected">California</option>
       <option>Connecticut</option>
       <option > Illinois < / option >
       <option >New York
  </select>
</body>
```



dijit.form.DateTextBox Example



Validation

Example: Validation

```
dojo.require("dijit.form.ValidationTextBox");

<input type="text" name="phone"
    id="phone"
    value="someTestString"
    dojoType="dijit.form.ValidationTextBox"
    regExp="[\w]+"
    required="true"
    invalidMessage="Invalid Non-Space Text.">
```

Demo: Input Form Validation

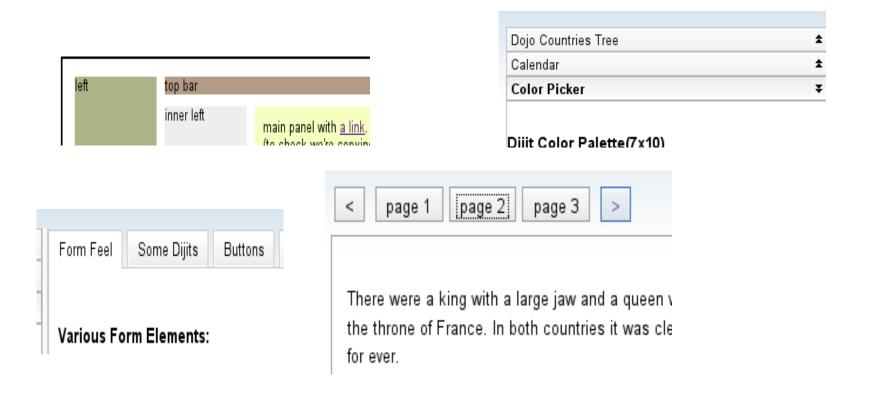
http://dojocampus.org/explorer/#Dijit_Form%20Controls_Text%20Boxes_Validation



Dijit Layout Widgets

Dijit Layout Widgets

 Accordion Container, Content Pane, Layout Container, Split Container, Stack Container, Tab Container



dijit.layout.SplitContainer Example

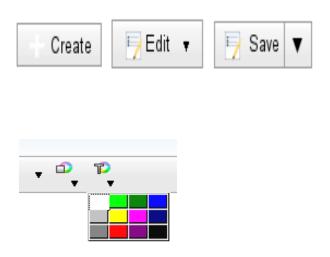
```
<script type="text/javascript">
 dojo.require("dijit.layout.SplitContainer");
 dojo.require("dijit.layout.ContentPane");
</script>
<div dojoType="dijit.layout.SplitContainer"</pre>
 orientation="horizontal"
 sizerWidth="7"
 activeSizing="false"
 style="border: 1px solid #bfbfbf; float: left; width: 400px; height: 300px;">
 <a href="dijit.layout.ContentPane" sizeMin="20" sizeShare="20">
  this box has two horizontal panes
 </div>
 <div dojoType="dijit.layout.ContentPane" sizeMin="50" sizeShare="50">
  without active resizing, a smaller sizer, different starting sizes and minimum sizes
 </div>
</div>
```

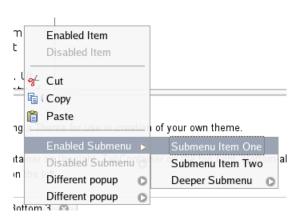


Dijit Command Control Widgets

Dijit Command Control Widgets

- Button, ComboButton, DropDownButton
- Menu, Toolbar





dijit.Menu Example

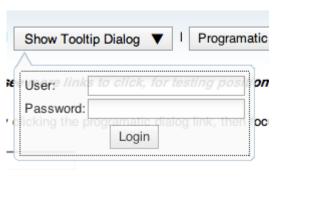
```
<script language="JavaScript" type="text/javascript">
 dojo.require("dijit.Menu");
 dojo.require("dojo.parser"); // scan page for widgets and instantiate them
 function doNothing() {
  alert('not actually doing anything, just a test!');
</script>
<div dojoType="dijit.Menu" id="popup1campus" contextMenuForWindow="false" style="display: none;"</p>
targetNodelds="btn1">
 <a href="dijit.MenuItem" onClick="alert('Hello world');">Enabled Item</div>
 <div dojoType="dijit.MenuItem" disabled="true">Disabled Item</div>
 <div dojoType="dijit.MenuSeparator"></div>
 <div dojoType="dijit.MenuItem" iconClass="dijitEditorIcon dijitEditorIconCut"</p>
  onClick="doNothing();">Cut</div>
 <div dojoType="dijit.MenuItem" iconClass="dijitEditorIcon dijitEditorIconCopy"</p>
  onClick="doNothing();">Copy</div>
 <div dojoType="dijit.MenuItem" iconClass="dijitEditorIcon dijitEditorIconPaste"</pre>
  onClick="doNothing();">Paste</div>
</div>
<div id="btn1">Right click Me To Show Menu</div>
```

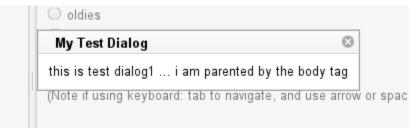


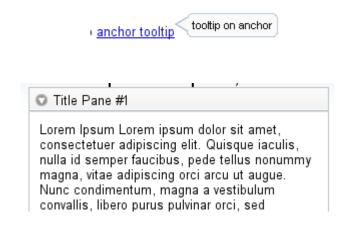
Dijit User Assistance & Feedback Widgets

Dijit User Assistance & Feedback Widgets

Dialog, TooltipDialog, ProgressBar, TitlePane, Tooltip







| Dijit ProgressBar | |
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| | 10% |
| Indeterminate: | |
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dijit.Dialog Example

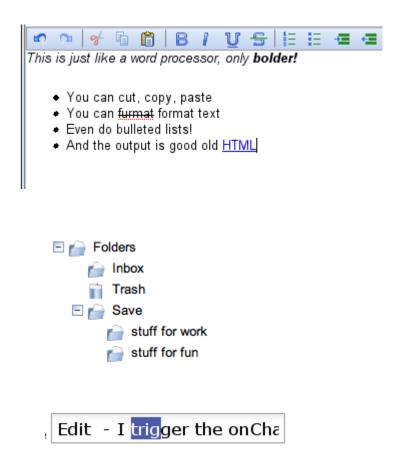
```
<body>
   <button id="buttonOne" dojoType="dijit.form.Button" type="button">
     Click me to display a dialog!
     <script type="dojo/method" event="onClick" args="evt">
       // Show the Dialog:
       dijit.byId("dialogOne").show();
     </script>
  </button>
  <div id="dialogOne" dojoType="dijit.Dialog" title="My Dialog Title">
     <div dojoType="dijit.layout.TabContainer" style="width: 200px; height: 300px;">
       <div dojoType="dijit.layout.ContentPane" title="foo">
          Content of Tab "foo"
       </div>
       <div dojoType="dijit.layout.ContentPane" title="bar">
          Hi, I'm Tab "bar"
       </div>
     </div>
  </div>
</body>
```

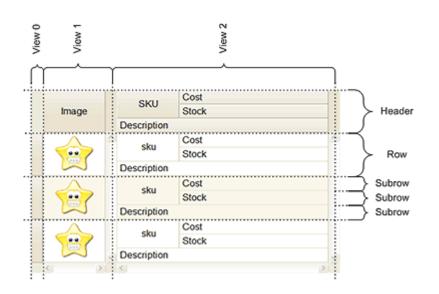


Dijit Advanced Editing & Display

Dijit Advanced Editing & Display Widgets

• Editor, Grid, Tree, ColorPalette, InlineEditBox







dijit.Tree Example (Code)

```
<script language="JavaScript" type="text/javascript">
 dojo.require("dojo.data.ltemFileReadStore");
 dojo.require("dijit.Tree");
 dojo.require("dojo.parser"); // scan page for widgets and instantiate them
</script>
<div dojoType="dojo.data.ItemFileReadStore" jsId="continentStore"</pre>
 url="featureexplorer/Dojo/countries.json"></div>
<h3>Tree with hardcoded root node (not corresponding to any item in the store)</h3>
<div dojoType="dijit.Tree" id="tree1" store="continentStore"</p>
 query="{type:'continent'}" labelAttr="name" label="Continents">
 <script type="dojo/method" event="onClick" args="item">
  if(item){
   alert("Execute of node " + continentStore.getLabel(item)
     +", population=" + continentStore.getValue(item, "population"));
  }else{
   alert("Execute on root node");
 </script>
</div>
Click <a href="featureexplorer/Dojo/countries.json" target="_new">here</a> to see the data used to
populate the tree.
```

dijit.Tree Example (JSON)

```
{ identifier: 'name',
 label: 'name',
 items: [
   { name: 'Africa', type: 'continent',
     children:[{_reference:'Egypt'}, {_reference:'Kenya'}, {_reference:'Sudan'}] },
    name:'Egypt', type:'country' },
    name:'Kenya', type:'country',
     children:[{_reference:'Nairobi'}, {_reference:'Mombasa'}] },
    name:'Nairobi', type:'city' },
    name:'Mombasa', type:'city' },
    name: 'Sudan', type: 'country',
     children:{_reference:'Khartoum'} },
    name:'Khartoum', type:'city' },
    name: 'Asia', type: 'continent',
     children:[{_reference:'China'}, {_reference:'India'}, {_reference:'Russia'},
                 name: 'China', type: 'country' },
    name:'India', type:'country' },
    name:'Russia', type:'country' },
    name:'Mongolia', type:'country' },
    name:'Australia', type:'continent', population:'21 million',
     children:{_reference:'Commonwealth of Australia'}},
   { name: 'Commonwealth of Australia', type: 'country', population: '21 million'},
```

Themes and Design

Themes

- Dijit Themes lend a consistent look and feel to widgets
- Built-in themes in Dijit
 - > Tundra (Most commonly used)
 - > Soria
 - > Noir







How to Specify a Theme

Advanced Topics of Dojo Toolkit



Topics

- dojox.grid
- dojox.charting
- dojox.cometd
- more

dojox.grid

More in DojoX: The Grid

- Has all the features HTML tables are missing
- Often found in:
 - > RSS readers
 - Mail readers
- Anything geared toward browsing through large amounts of data

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What the Grid Is

- Spreadsheet-like "supertable"
- Efficient mechanisms for viewing and editing data
- Designed for large data sets
- Very customizable

The Grid Fixes Pagination

- Working through large number of items is hard.
- Benefit to pagination is that only data for the current data set is loaded.
- The Dojo Grid implements the same functionality as pagination through the position of its scroll bar.

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Ease of Data Display in the Grid

- Capabilities are in line with the advanced (sometimes underutilized) features of the HTML table.
 - > Grouping
 - > Spanning columns and rows
- Cell and row dimensions can be tweaked.
- A cell can combine other cell properties and change its appearance.
 - Easy to conditionally style complicated data within cells
 - > Sometimes hard to implement in desktop grids

Working With the Grid

- Creation, mutation, and filtering of grid data is simple.
 - > Thanks to a Dojo Data back end
- Grid uses various events to alert you of everything it's doing.



dojox.charting

More in DojoX: Charting

- Extremely rich charting infrastructure
- Multiple plots
- Axis labels
- Actions
- Highly stylized



dojox.cometd

What is CometD?

- CometD is a scalable HTTP-based event routing bus that uses a Ajax Push technology pattern known as Comet
- CometD is a Dojo Foundation project to provide implementations of the Bayeux protocol in javascript, java, perl, python and other languages.



Steps for Building Comet Application

- 1.Configure Cometd servlet in the web.xml
- 2.Initialize (Connect to Cometd server)
- 3. Subscribe a channel
- 4. Write callback function
- Publish to the channel
- Unsubscribe the channel
- 7. Disconnect

Step1: Configure Cometd Servlet in your Application's web.xml

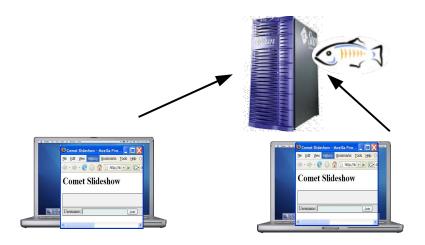
Step2: Initialize (Connect to Cometd Server)

```
dojo.require("dojox.cometd");

// Initialize a connection to the given Cometd server:

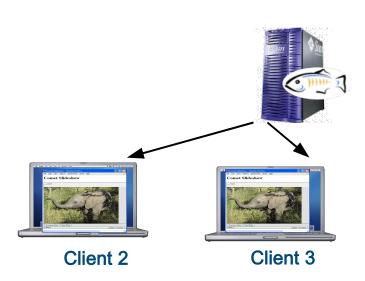
// the GlassFish Grizzly Bayeux servlet
dojox.cometd.init("cometd");
```

Step3: Subscribe a Channel



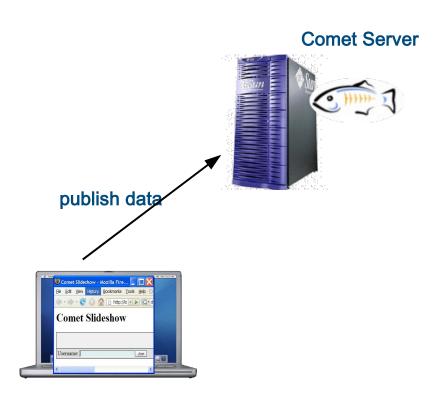
Step4: Write callback function

```
// The callback function gets invoked when the client receives
// a "published" message from a Cometd server. Typically you
// update the contents on the page.
callbackHandler: function(msg) {
    alert("msg.data.testMessage = " + msg.data.testMessage)
}
```



Step5: Publish data onto the channel

// Publish data (in JSON format) onto the channel. dojox.cometd.publish("channel", {jsonname: jsonvalue});



Step6: Unsubscribe, Disconnect

```
// Unsubscribe the channel dojox.cometd.unsubscribe("channel", myObject, "callbackHandler");
// Disconnect from the Cometd server dojox.cometd.disconnect();
```

Dojo Utilities & Tools



Dojo Utilities & Tools

- Testing via DOH
 - > Functional testing
 - > Performance testing
- Build system
- ShrinkSafe
- Debugging via Firebug

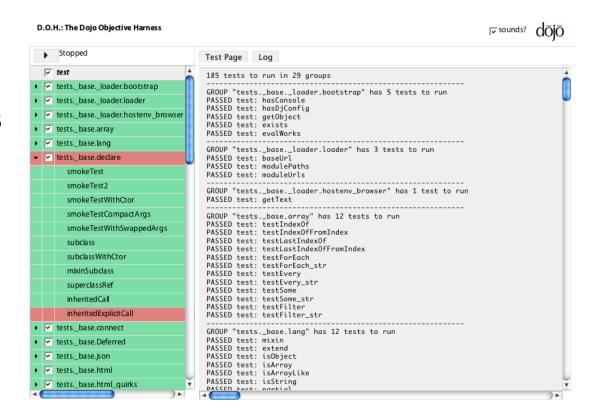
Where do you get these tools?

Comes with Dojo toolkit source package

Testing via Dojo Objective Harness (DOH)

The Dojo Objective Harness (DOH)

- Dojo Objective Harness ("d.o.h")
 - New unit test harness
 - Command-line or within the browser
- Unit test JavaScript and aggregate tests into a single interface



Unit Tests Supported

- Basic DOH infrastructure is for code-only tests
 - > DOH Robot adds UI testing in DojoX.
- Support for setup and tear-down.
- Build a test around a page.
- Include all of the different tests styles in a test suite.

DOH Test Assertions

- doh.assertTrue(x), doh.t(x)
- doh.assertFalse(x), doh.f(x)
- doh.assertEqual(x, y), doh.is(x, y)

Build System

What is and Why Use Dojo Build System?

- To achieve the improved performance and better user experience by
 - Reducing the number of files sent over the wire
 - > Reducing the JavaScript file sizes

Dojo Build System 4-Step Process

- First, it groups together modules into "layers".
 - A layer, which is one big .js file, loads faster than the individual .js modules that comprise it
- Second, it "interns" external non-JavaScript files.
 - > This is most important for Dijit templates, which are kept in a separate HTML file. Interning pulls the entire file in and assigns it to a string.
- Third, it smooshes the layer down with ShrinkSafe.
 - > ShrinkSafe removes unneeded whitespace and comments, and compacts variable names down to smaller ones. This file downloads and parses faster than the original.

Dojo Build System 4-Step Process

- Finally, it copies all non-layered scripts to the appropriate places.
 - While this doesn't speed anything up, it ensures that all Dojo modules can be loaded, even if not present in a layer.
 - If you use a particular module only once or twice, keeping it out of the layers makes those layers load faster.

ShrinkSafe

What is ShrinkSafe?

- ShrinkSafe is a standalone Java-based JavaScript compressor which utilizes Rhino to parse code and safely shorten the results.
- ShrinkSafe renames local references to short names prefixed with an underscore.
 - This saves bytes on the wire and also provides some obfuscation of the code.
- It also eliminates whitespace and comments when generating the new code.
- Global references and property names remain unchanged such that external references to the compressed code should be safe.

Example: ShrinkSafe

Compresses bigcode.js to smallercode.js

```
java -jar shrinksafe.jar bigcode.js > smallercode.js
```

Compresses three files into one

```
java -jar shrinksafe.jar file1.js file2.js file3.js >
combined.js
```

Debugging via Firebug or Firebug Lite

Firebug or Firebug Lite

- Firebug, an open source debugging extension for Firefox, is "essential" for JavaScript, HTML and CSS debugging
- If you use Internet Explorer or Safari, you can use the Firebug Lite library, bundled with Dojo.
 - This gives you some of the logging and command line features of Firebug.
 - It's not a full emulation, but it's a fairly good alternative and is fully API-compatible
 - To use Firebug Lite, you must include the isDebug config parameter no effect to Firefox/Firebug

```
<script type="text/javascript" src="http://path/dojo.js"
djConfig="parseOnLoad: true, isDebug: true"></script>
```



Resources



Resources

- Web sites
 - http://dojotoolkit.org/
 - > http://dojocampus.org/
- Demo sites
 - http://dojocampus.org/explorer/
 - http://demos.dojotoolkit.org/demos/
- Quick start guides
 - http://dojotoolkit.org/reference-guide/quickstart/
 - http://docs.dojocampus.org/quickstart

Resources

- API document
 - http://api.dojotoolkit.org/
- Forums
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