



**jQuery Events**

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## Event Handling

- Event handling is inconsistent in browsers
  - addEventListener() vs. attachEvent()
  - event.target vs. event.srcElement and so on
- jQuery offers a consistent event API
  - Standard event registration methods
  - Standard event handler prototype
  - Normalized event object and more
- Based on DOM Level 2 event model

<http://api.jquery.com/category/events/>

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## Event Handling in Modern Browsers

```
// Select all images in the document
var images = document.getElementsByTagName("img");

// Attach an event handler to each image
for (var i=0; i<images.length; i++) {
  images[i].addEventListener("click", onClick, false);
}

function onClick(event) {
  var target = event.target;
  ...
}
```

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## Event Handling in IE

```
// Select all images in the document
var images = document.getElementsByTagName("img");

// Attach an event handler to each image
for (var i=0; i<images.length; i++) {
  images[i].attachEvent("onclick", onClick);
}

function onClick() {
  var target = window.event.srcElement;
  ...
}
```

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## Event Handling in jQuery

```
$("img").click(function(event) {
  var target = event.target;
  ...
});
```

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## Event Registration Methods

- jQuery object includes shortcut methods for registering event handlers on DOM elements
 

.blur()	.focusin()	.mouseenter()	.resize()
.change()	.focusout()	.mouseleave()	.scroll()
.click()	.keydown()	.mousemove()	.select()
.dblclick()	.keypress()	.mouseout()	.submit()
.error()	.keyup()	.mouseover()	
.focus()	.mousedown()	.mouseup()	
- Other methods register handlers for "special" events fired by document and window objects
 

.load()	.ready()	.unload()
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## Using .mouseenter() and .mouseleave()

```

$("tr").mouseenter(function(e) {
    // Highlight table rows when the cursor enters
    $(this).css("background-color", "yellow");
}).mouseleave(function(e) {
    // Unhighlight table rows when the cursor leaves
    $(this).css("background-color", "white");
});

```



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## Using .change()

```

<select id="campuses">
  <option>Remond</option>
  <option> Fargo</option>
  <option>Cambridge</option>
  <option>Silicon Valley</option>
</select>

// Display the selected item when the selection changes
$("#campuses").change(function (e) {
    alert($(this).val());
});

```

*"this" refers to <select> element; .val() retrieves value of selected <option>*



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## The jQuery Event Object

- Passed to all jQuery event handlers
- Contains normalized properties with event info, plus other properties that aren't normalized

.currentTarget	.data	.namespace
.pageX	.pageY	.relatedTarget
.result	.target	.timestamp
.type	.which	

- Also contains methods for preventing bubbling and execution of default actions



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## Getting the Cursor Position

```

$("img").click(function(e) {
    // Get coordinates relative to upper-left corner of image
    // that was clicked (may vary in different browsers)
    var x = e.offsetX;
    var y = e.offsetY;

    // Get coordinates relative to upper-left corner of page
    // (should not vary in different browsers)
    var pageX = e.pageX;
    var pageY = e.pageY;
});

```



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## Identifying Mouse Buttons

```

$("img").click(function(e) {
    if (e.which == 1) {
        // Left button
    }
    else if (e.which == 2) {
        // Middle button
    }
    else if (e.which == 3) {
        // Right button
    }
});

```



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## Processing Keyboard Input

```

$(document).keydown(function (e) {
    if (e.which == 37) {
        // Left arrow
    }
    else if (e.which == 39) {
        // Right arrow
    }
    else if (e.which == 38 && e.ctrlKey) {
        // Ctrl-Up arrow
    }
    else if (e.which == 40 && e.altKey) {
        // Alt-Down arrow
    }
});

```



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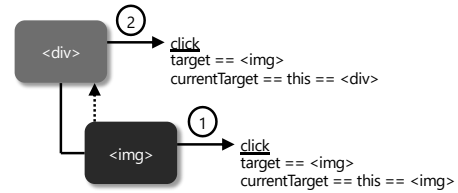
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## Event Bubbling

- Most events bubble up the DOM
- Event object's target and currentTarget properties provide target identification



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## Stopping Event Bubbling

```

$("img").click(function(e) {
    // Prevent this event from bubbling any higher
    e.stopPropagation();
});
  
```

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## Preventing Default Actions

```

$("a").click(function(e) {
    // Prevent the browser from navigating to the target
    // of the hyperlink
    e.preventDefault();
});
  
```

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## The .bind() Method

- Generic way to register event handlers
- Used by .click() and other shortcut methods

```

// Register a handler for click events fired by <tr> elements
$("tr").bind("click", function(e) {
    alert("Click!");
});
  
```

<http://api.jquery.com/bind/>

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## Processing Mousewheel Events

```

$(document).bind("mousewheel", function(e) {
    if (e.wheelDelta > 0) {
        // Mousewheel rolled forward
    }
    else {
        // Mousewheel rolled backward
    }
    e.preventDefault();
});
  
```

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## Processing Mousewheel Events (Firefox)

```
$(document).bind("DOMMouseScroll", function(e) {
    if (e.detail > 0) {
        // Mousewheel rolled backward
    }
    else {
        // Mousewheel rolled forward
    }
    e.preventDefault();
});
```



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## Making It Browser-Neutral

```
if (document.onmousewheel !== undefined) {
    $(document).bind("mousewheel", function(e) {
        ...
    });
}
else {
    $(document).bind("DOMMouseScroll", function(e) {
        ...
    });
}
```



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## Passing Data with .bind()

```
// Register click handler for <tr>s and attach data to each
$("tr").each(function(i) {
    $(this).bind("click", { "index": i }, function (e) {
        var index = e.data.index; // 0-based row index
    });
});
```



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## The .unbind() Method

- Deregisters jQuery event handlers
- Leaves non-jQuery event handlers intact

```
// Remove click handlers from all images
$("img").unbind("click");

// Remove all jQuery event handlers from all images
$("img").unbind();

// Remove all jQuery event handlers from all elements
$("*").unbind();
```

<http://api.jquery.com/unbind/>



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## Scoping Event Handlers

- Use namespaces to group event handlers
- Handy for jQuery libraries and plugins

```
// Register a handler for click events fired by <img> elements
// and place them in the "wintellect" namespace
$("img").bind("click.wintellect", function(e) {
    alert("Click!");
});

// Deregister click event handlers in the "wintellect" namespace
// without affecting other click event handlers
$("img").unbind("click.wintellect");
```



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## The .one() Method

- Binds an event handler and automatically deregisters it after the event fires

```
// Register a one-time handler for click events fired by images
$("img").one("click", function(e) {
    alert("Hello and goodbye!");
});
```

<http://api.jquery.com/one/>



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## The .toggle() Method

- Binds alternating click handlers

```
$("#img").toggle(
  // On odd clicks, make images partially transparent
  function (e) {
    $(this).css("opacity", 0.4);
  },
  // On even clicks, make images fully opaque
  function (e) {
    $(this).css("opacity", 1.0);
  }
);
```

<http://api.jquery.com/toggle/>



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### The .bind() Method



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## Event Triggering

- Events can be triggered programmatically
  - .click() and other registration methods double as methods for triggering events
  - .trigger() method may be used instead
- Triggered events invoke jQuery event handlers, but do not invoke non-jQuery event handlers
  - Exception: onevent="handler" handlers do get called
- Bubbling events bubble when triggered manually, just as if they were initiated by user action



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## Triggering Events

```
// Fire a click event on the element whose id is "myimage"
$("#myimage").click();

// Use trigger() to fire a click event on "myimage"
$("#myimage").trigger("click");

// Fire a click event on "myimage" and pass data to the handler
$("#myimage").trigger("click", "Simulated click");
```



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## Custom Events

- jQuery supports custom events
  - Use .bind() to register handlers for custom events
    - Pass event name as first parameter
  - Use .trigger() to trigger custom events, or use global jQuery.event.trigger() to "broadcast" custom events
- Can be used to implement publish/subscribe pattern connecting components
  - Also known as Observer pattern
- Used by jQuery's AJAX subsystem to broadcast AJAX-related events



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## Broadcasting Custom Events

```
// Call the "login" event handler for every element that
// registered a handler for "login" events
$.event.trigger("login");
```



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## Handling Custom Events

```
// Register a handler for "login" events on the element
// whose id is "username"
$("#username").bind("login", function(e) {
    // Change the text of the "username" element
    $(this).text("Thanks for logging in!");
});
```



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## Passing Data in Custom Events

```
// Fire a "login" event and pass custom data in properties
// named "user" and "time" added to the event object
$.event.trigger({
    type: "login",
    user: "jeffpro",
    time: new Date()
});

// Retrieve the username from the event object
$("#username").bind("login", function(e) {
    alert("Hello, " + e.user);
});
```



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## Live Events

- .bind(), .click(), et al perform static binding
  - Register handlers for existing elements, but not for elements added later (e.g., with calls to .append())
- These methods perform dynamic ("live") binding

Method	Description
.delegate()	Attaches a handler for events fired by elements matching a specified selector to a specified element
.undelegate()	Removes event handlers attached with .delegate()
.live()	Attaches a handler for events fired by elements matching a specified selector to the document
.die()	Removes event handlers attached with .live()



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## Using .delegate() and .undelegate()

```
// Register a click handler for ALL images, even ones added later
$(document).delegate("img", "click", function(e) {
    ...
});

// Register a click handler for all images that are descendants
// of the element whose id is "images"
$("#images").delegate("img", "click", function(e) {
    ...
});

// Remove all live click handlers from all images
$(document).undelegate("img", "click");

// Remove all live event handlers from all elements
$(document).undelegate();
```



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## Using .live() and .die()

```
// Register a click handler for ALL images, even ones added later
$("img").live("click", function(e) {
    ...
});

// Remove all live click handlers from all images
$("img").die("click");

// Remove all live event handlers from all images
$("img").die();

// Does not work!
$("*").die();
```



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### The .on() and .off() Methods

- Added in jQuery 1.7
- Unify .bind(), .unbind(), .delegate(), .undelegate(), .live(), and .die() into one event registration API
- Strongly recommended if you're using jQuery 1.7+

<http://api.jquery.com/on/>

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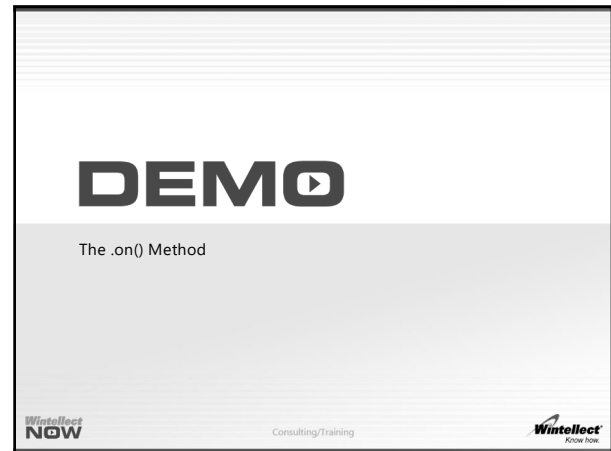
### Using .on() and .off()

```
// Register a direct click handler for existing images in a DIV
// (equivalent to .bind() or .click())
$("#maindiv img").on("click", function(e) {
  ...
});

// Register a delegated click handler for present and future
// images in a DIV (equivalent to .delegate())
$("#maindiv").on("click", "img", function(e) {
  ...
});

// Undo the previous statement
$("#maindiv").off("click", "img");
```

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