# CS 2340 Objects and Design

JavaScript in Web Applications

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#### Outline

- Quick revisit on HTML
- Embedding JavaScript onto HTML
- JavaScript Libraries

## HTML, CSS, and JavaScript

- Remember that website coding homework from CS1301?
- Most websites nowadays use HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

#### My First Website

- HTML is made with "tags" a beginning tag and an ending tag.
- An HTML document has a "head" and a "body".
  - <head> The behind-the-scenes magic of the webpage.
  - <body> The physical contents of the webpage.

#### HTML Elements in <head>

#### What does <head> do?

- Name your webpage
- Provide metadata
- Contains inline scripts
- Specify the location of stylesheets and scripts



#### HTML Elements in <body>

#### The physical elements of a webpage.

```
<h1>Hello there!</h1>
My website is awesome.
<a link="cat.png">Click here</a>
<!-- A link element. -->
<img src="bears.png" width="200" alt="Rawr" />
<!-- An image element. -->
```

All elements (that I'm aware of) can have additional attributes.

## The <div> Tag

"The  $<\!\!\operatorname{div}>$  tag defines a division or a section in an HTML document. The  $<\!\!\operatorname{div}>$  tag is used to group block-elements to format them with CSS. ... Tip: The  $<\!\!\operatorname{div}>$  element is very often used together with CSS, to layout a web page." - W3Schools Div Tags

```
<div>This is text inside of a div.</div>
<div style="position:relative; color:#FFFFFF;
background-color:#EOAAOF; border-color:#000000; width:60%;
height:10%; text-align:center; font-family:Calibri;">
    White and gold never gets old.
</div>
```

I want to customize my <div> elements, but look at all this code!

#### HTML Element IDs and Classes

#### You can name your HTML elements!

- id is useful if *only one* element exists in a given webpage.
- class is useful if multiple elements exist in a given webpage.
- Why is this useful?
  - General practice of naming your elements.
  - In CSS, you can specify how certain elements *look*.
  - In JavaScript, you can specify how certain elements *behave*.
- Div-Example.html

## Embedding JavaScript onto HTML

JavaScript can be embedded within <head> or <body>. JavaScript-Example.html

## Referring to JavaScript in HTML

```
<body>
     <script src="js/puntastic.js" type="text/javascript">
          randomPun();
     </script>
     <!-- Where randomPun() prints a random pun on the webpage. -->
</body>
```

JS code can also be referred from external files.

## An analogy

You want to develop your awesome website!

- Coding element behaviors can be difficult and tedious.
- Analogous to javax.swing or JavaFX.

#### JavaScript Libraries

- There are JavaScript libraries that does the hard work for you!
- Import them into your HTML document.
- Use an API don't be concerned about the behind-the-scenes.
- min = minified = reduced file size = faster loading
- JavaScript-Game.html with jQuery.
- Bootstrap-Stuff.html

## Summary

- Defining element names are useful for customizing the look and behavior of elements.
- Separation of concerns, reusability of code, etc. \*cough\*