



DOM and Validation

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Document Object Model

Basic DOM manipulation

- To get an object by ID
 - `Tom Jerry`
 - `var target = document.getElementById("tom");`
 - **Target will be null if no such element**
- To get the name of an element:
 - `target.nodeName` → (In this case: a)
- To get an object by tag
 - `var listItems = document.getElementsByTagName("li");`
 - `var numItems = listItems.length;` → get the length of the list
 - **Returns empty list if no element (length = 0)**
- To restrict search tree
 - `obj.getElement....` → looks only in element sub-tree.

- To get all the elements in a document:

```
var elementArray = [];  
if (typeof document.all != "undefined")  
{ elementArray = document.all; } // for IE  
else  
{ elementArray = document.getElementsByTagName("*"); } //IE 5.x does not support this
```

- To change the style of an element

```
var target = document.getElementById('a1');  
var display= target.style.display;  
if(display=="none"){  
    target.style.display="";  
}else {  
    target.style.display="none";  
}
```

Navigating DOM tree

- Finding a parent
 - var paragraph = element.**parentNode**;
- Finding children
 - var list= element.**childNodes**;
 - var first= element.**firstChild**;
 - var last= element.**lastChild**;
- Finding Siblings
 - var next= element.**nextSibling**;
 - var previous= element.**previousSibling**;

Getting Attributes

```
<a id="koko" href="http://www.koko.org/">Let's all hug Koko</a>
```

```
var koko = document.getElementById("koko");
```

```
var kokoHref = koko.getAttribute("href");
```

- **This has an unpredictable behavior in many browsers.**

Use this instead

```
var kokoHref = koko.href;
```

- **Works for all attribute except class and for, which are accessed using *element.className* *And* *label_element.htmlFor***
- **To set an attribute**
 - `koko.setAttribute("href", "/koko/");`

Handling Styles

- Changing color
 - `var scarlet = document.getElementById("scarlet");`
 - `scarlet.style.color = "#FF0000";`
 - `scarlet.style.backgroundColor = "#000066";`
- **Note:** To validate your HTML use:
 - [`https://validator.w3.org/`](https://validator.w3.org/)

Handling Events

- ```
<form name="myForm2">
 <input
 type="button"
 name="myButton"
 value="Press Me 2"
 onClick="alert('myButton was pressed')">
</form>
```
- ```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <title>Title</title>
</head>
<body>
  <form name="myForm">
    <input type="button" name="myButton" value="Press Me">
  </form>
  <script type="text/javascript">
    document.myForm.myButton.onclick = function() { alert('myButton was pressed'); };
  </script>

</body>
</html>
```

Abort	onAbort
Blur	onBlur
Change	onChange
Click	onClick
DblClick	onDblClick
DragDrop	onDragDrop
Error	onError
Focus	onFocus
KeyDown	onKeyDown
KeyPress	onKeyPress
KeyUp	onKeyUp
Load	onLoad
MouseDown	onMouseDown
MouseMove	onMouseMove
MouseOut	onMouseOut
MouseOver	onMouseOver
MouseUp	onMouseUp
Move	onMove
Reset	onReset
Resize	onResize
Select	onSelect
Submit	onSubmit
Unload	onUnload

Text Properties and Methods

Table 8.37 *Event Handlers, Methods, and Properties Used by the Text Object*

Type	Item	Description
Event Handler	<code>onBlur</code>	Executes code when the text box loses the focus.
	<code>onChange</code>	Executes code when the text box loses the focus and has had its value modified.
	<code>onFocus</code>	Executes code when the text box receives the focus.
	<code>onSelect</code>	Executes code when a user selects some of the text within the text box.
Method	<code>blur()</code>	Removes the focus from the text box.
	<code>focus()</code>	Gives the focus to the text box.
	<code>handleEvent()</code>	Invokes the handler for the event specified and was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>select()</code>	Selects the text in the text box.
	<code>unwatch()</code>	Used to turn off the watch for a particular property.
	<code>watch()</code>	Used to turn on the watch for a particular property.
Property	<code>defaultValue</code>	Returns the value of the text box specified by the <code>value</code> attribute. Note that this property is not supported by the Opera browsers.
	<code>form</code>	Returns the entire form the text box is in.
	<code>name</code>	Returns the name of the text box specified by the <code>name</code> attribute.
	<code>type</code>	Returns the type of the text box specified by the <code>type</code> attribute. Note that this is always <code>text</code> and was added in JavaScript 1.1.
	<code>value</code>	Returns the value that is actually displayed in the text box.

Password Properties and Methods

Table 8.25 *Properties, Methods and Events of the Password Object*

Type	Item	Description
Property	defaultValue	Refers to the value attribute of the HTML password box
	form	Refers to the form that contains the password box
	name	Refers to the name attribute of the HTML password box
	type	Refers to the type attribute of the HTML password box
	value	Refers to the current contents of the password box
Method	blur()	Removes focus from the password box
	focus()	Sets focus to the password box
	handleEvent()	Invokes the event handler
	select()	Selects the text entered in the password box
	unwatch()	Removes a watchpoint on a Password property
	watch()	Sets a watchpoint on a Password property
Event	onBlur	Event handler used when the focus is removed from the password box
	onFocus	Event handler used when the focus is put on the password box

Hidden Properties and Methods

Table 8.16 *Properties and Methods of the Hidden Object*

Type	Item	Description
Property	form	Specifies the form containing the Hidden object.
	name	Refers to the name of the Hidden object.
	type	Refers to the HTML type attribute of the Hidden object.
	value	Refers to the HTML value attribute of the Hidden object.
Method	unwatch()	Removes a watchpoint on a Hidden property.
	watch()	Sets a watchpoint on a Hidden property.

Radio Properties and Methods

Table 8.27 *Properties, Methods, and Events of the Radio Object*

Type	Item	Description
Property	checked	Specifies whether a button is checked or unchecked
	defaultChecked	Refers to the checked attribute of the HTML <code><input></code> tag
	form	Refers to the Form object that contains the Radio object
	name	Refers to the name attribute of the HTML <code><input></code> tag
	type	Refers to the type attribute of the HTML <code><input></code> tag
	value	Refers to the value attribute of the HTML <code><input></code> tag
Method	blur()	Removes focus from the Radio object
	click()	Simulates a mouse click on the button
	focus()	Sets the focus to a button
	handleEvent()	Invokes the default handler for the specified event
	unwatch()	Removes a watchpoint on a Radio property
Event	watch()	Sets a watchpoint on a Radio property
	onBlur	Event handler for the Blur event
	onClick	Event handler for the Click event
	onFocus	Event handler for the Focus event

Checkbox Properties and Methods

Table 8.5 Arguments, Properties, Methods, and Event Handlers Associated with the Checkbox Object

Type	Item	Description
Argument	num1	An index number that allows access to check boxes through a form's element list.
	num2	An index number that allows access to individual check boxes that are grouped together under the same name.
Property	checked	A boolean value that determines whether the check box is checked.
	defaultChecked	A boolean value that holds the initial state of the check box. This value is set with the checked attribute.
	form	This property returns the Form object of the check box.
	name	The string that is specified in the name attribute of the HTML <input> tag.
	type	The string that is specified in the type attribute of the HTML <input> tag. This string is always "checkbox" for the Checkbox object.
	value	The value returned when the form is submitted.
Method	blur()	This method removes focus from the check box.
	click()	This method calls the check box's onClick event handler.
	focus()	This method applies focus to this check box.
	handleEvent()	This method passes an event to the appropriate event handler associated with the check box.
	unwatch() watch()	This method removes a watch point. This method sets a watch point.
Event Handler	onBlur	The handler invoked when focus is removed from the check box.
	onClick	The handler invoked when the check box is selected.
	onFocus	The handler invoked when focus is applied to the check box.

Submit Properties and Methods

Table 8.36 *Event Handlers, Methods, and Properties Used by the Submit Object*

Type	Item	Description
Event Handler	<code>onBlur</code>	Executes code when the submit button loses focus. This event handler was added in JavaScript 1.1.
	<code>onClick</code>	Executes code when the submit button is clicked.
	<code>onFocus</code>	Executes code when the submit button receives the focus. This event handler was added in JavaScript 1.1.
Method	<code>blur()</code>	Removes focus from the submit button. This method was added in JavaScript 1.1.
	<code>click()</code>	Simulates a mouse click on the submit button.
	<code>focus()</code>	Gives the focus to the submit button. This method was added in JavaScript 1.1.
	<code>handleEvent()</code>	Invokes the handler for the event specified and was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>unwatch()</code>	Used to turn off the watch for a particular property.
Property	<code>watch()</code>	Used to turn on the watch for a particular property.
	<code>form</code>	Returns the entire form that the submit button is in.
	<code>name</code>	Returns the name of the submit button specified by the <code>name</code> attribute.
	<code>type</code>	Returns the type of the submit button specified by the <code>type</code> attribute. This property always returns <code>submit</code> . This property was added in JavaScript 1.1.
	<code>value</code>	Returns the value of the submit button specified by the <code>value</code> attribute.

Reset Properties and Methods

Table 8.28 *Properties, Methods, and Events of the Reset Object*

Type	Item	Description
Property	form	Specifies the form name that contains the Reset button
	name	HTML <code>name</code> attribute for the Reset button
	type	HTML <code>type</code> attribute for the Reset button
	value	HTML <code>value</code> attribute for the Reset button
Method	blur()	Removes focus from the Reset button
	click()	Simulates a mouse click on a Reset button
	focus()	Sets the focus to the Reset button
	handleEvent()	Invokes the event handler
	unwatch()	Removes a watchpoint on a <code>Reset</code> property
Event	watch()	Sets a watchpoint on a <code>Reset</code> property
	onBlur	Event handler for the <code>Blur</code> event
	onClick	Event handler for the <code>Click</code> event
	onFocus	Event handler for the <code>Focus</code> event

Select Properties and Methods

Table 8.30 *Event Handlers, Methods, and Properties Used by the Select Object*

Type	Item	Description
Event Handler	<code>onBlur</code>	Executes code when the select box loses the focus.
	<code>onChange</code>	Executes code when the select box has had its value modified.
	<code>onFocus</code>	Executes code when the select box receives the focus.
Method	<code>blur()</code>	Removes the focus from the select box.
	<code>focus()</code>	Gives the focus to the select box.
	<code>handleEvent()</code>	Invokes the handler for the event specified and was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>unwatch()</code>	Used to turn off the watch for a particular property.
Property	<code>watch()</code>	Used to turn on the watch for a particular property.
	<code>form</code>	Returns the entire form that the select box is in.
	<code>length</code>	Returns the number of options in the select box.
	<code>name</code>	Returns the name of this select box specified by the <code>name</code> attribute.
	<code>options</code>	Returns an array containing each of the items in the select box. These items are created using the <code><option></code> HTML tag. There is also a <code>length</code> and <code>selectedIndex</code> subproperty of this property.
	<code>selectedIndex</code>	Returns an integer specifying the indexed location of the selected option in the select box.
	<code>type</code>	Returns the type of this select box specified by the <code>type</code> attribute. For <code><select></code> instances that contain the <code>multiple</code> attribute, this property returns <code>select-multiple</code> . Instances without this attribute return <code>select-one</code> . Note that this property was added in JavaScript 1.1.

Option Properties and Methods

Table 8.24 *Properties and Methods of the Option Object*

Type	Item	Description
Property	defaultSelected	Refers to the option that is selected by default from the select box
	selected	Refers to the selected value of the select box
	text	Refers to the text for the option
	value	Refers to the value that is returned to when the option is selected
Method	unwatch()	Removes a watchpoint on an Option property
	watch()	Sets a watchpoint on an Option property

Option Properties and Methods

```
<html>
<body>
<script type="text/javascript" language="JavaScript">
<!--
// function checks the form to see what is the default selected.
function check(myForm)
{
    for (var i = 0; i < document.form1.myList.length; i++)
    {
        if (document.form1.myList.options[i].defaultSelected == true)
        { alert("The default value is: " + i); }
    }
}
// -->
</script>
<form name=form1>
<select name="myList" multiple>
<option value=1>One
<option value=2 selected>Two
<option value=3>Three
<option value=4>Four
</select><p>
<input type="button" value="Get Default Value"
onClick="check(this.form)">
</form>
</body>
</html>
```

Option Properties and Methods

```
<form name="myForm2">
<select name="mySelect"
onchange="alert(mySelect.options.selectedIndex) ">
  <option value="">Please Select</option>
  <option value="HOCK">Hockey</option>
  <option value="RUG" selected>Rugby</option>
  <option value="GOLF">Golf</option>
  <option value="TENNIS">Tennis</option>
</select>
</form>
```

TextArea Properties and Methods

Table 8.38 *Event Handlers, Methods, and Properties Used by the Textarea Object*

Type	Item	Description
Event Handler	<code>onBlur</code>	Executes code when the text area loses the focus.
	<code>onChange</code>	Executes code when the text area loses the focus and has had its value modified.
	<code>onFocus</code>	Executes code when the text area receives the focus.
	<code>onKeyDown</code>	Executes code when a key is pressed down. This occurs before an <code>onKeyPress</code> event handler is triggered and was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>onKeyPress</code>	Executes code when a key is pressed down immediately after an <code>onKeyDown</code> event handler is triggered. This event handler was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>onKeyUp</code>	Executes code when a key is released. This was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>onSelect</code>	Executes code when a user selects some of the text within the text area.
Method	<code>blur()</code>	Removes the focus from the text area.
	<code>focus()</code>	Gives the focus to the text area.
	<code>handleEvent()</code>	Invokes the handler for the event specified and was added in JavaScript 1.2.
	<code>select()</code>	Selects the text in the text area.
	<code>unwatch()</code>	Used to turn off the watch for a particular property.
	<code>watch()</code>	Used to turn on the watch for a particular property.

TextArea Properties and Methods

Table 8.38 Continued

Type	Item	Description
Property	defaultValue	Returns the value of the text area defined between the beginning and ending <code><textarea></code> tags. Note that this property is not supported by the Opera browsers.
	form	Returns the entire form the text area is in.
	name	Returns the name of this text area specified by the <code>name</code> attribute.
	type	Returns the type of this text area. Note that this is always <code>textarea</code> and was added in JavaScript 1.1.
	value	Returns the value that is actually displayed in the text area.

Validation

```

<body>
<form method="POST" action="formSubmittedSuccessfully.html" name="myForm" onsubmit="return check();">
  <table >
    <tr>
      <td>Name</td>
      <td>
        <input type="text" name="name" size="20"/>
      </td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td colspan="2"><span id="nameError" class="error"></span></td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td>Pass</td>
      <td>
        <input type="password" name="pass" size="20"/>
      </td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td colspan="2"><span id="passError" class="error"></span></td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td>Gender</td>
      <td>
        <input type="radio" name="gender" value="M"/>Male
        <input type="radio" name="gender" value="F"/>Female
      </td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td colspan="2"><span id="genderError" class="error"></span></td>
    </tr>
  </table>
</form>

```

```

<tr>
  <td>City</td>
  <td>
    <select size="1" name="city">
      <option value="">Please Select</option>
      <option value="cairo">Cairo</option>
      <option value="paris">Paris</option>
    </select>
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td colspan="2"><span id="cityError" class="error"></span></td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td>Languages</td>
  <td>
    <input type="checkbox" name="lang" value="ar"/>ar
    <input type="checkbox" name="lang" value="en"/>en
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td colspan="2"><span id="langError" class="error"></span></td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td colspan="2" align="center">
    <input type="submit" value="OK"/>
  </td>
</tr>
</table>
</form>
</body>
</html>

```

```
<script type="text/javascript">
```

1 usage

```
function check() {  
    var isValid = true; // Assume form is valid initially  
    var errorMessage = [];  
    errorMessage["name"] = "Name is required";  
    errorMessage["pass"] = "Password is required";  
    errorMessage["pass"] = "Gender is required";  
    errorMessage["city"] = "City is required";  
    errorMessage["lang"] = "At least one Language checkbox should be checked";  
    var fieldsToCheck = ["name", "pass", "gender", "city", "lang"];  
    // Reset previous errors  
    fieldsToCheck.forEach(function(field) {  
        document.getElementById(field + "Error").innerHTML = "";  
    });  
    // Check name  
    if (document.myForm.name.value.trim() === "") {  
        document.getElementById("nameError").innerHTML = errorMessage["name"];  
        isValid = false;  
    }  
    // Check password  
    if (document.myForm.pass.value.trim() === "") {  
        document.getElementById("passError").innerHTML = errorMessage["pass"];  
        isValid = false;  
    }  
    // Check gender  
    if (!document.myForm.gender.value) {  
        document.getElementById("genderError").innerHTML = errorMessage["pass"];  
        isValid = false;  
    }  
    // Check city  
    if (document.myForm.city.value === "") {  
        document.getElementById("cityError").innerHTML = errorMessage["city"];  
        isValid = false;  
    }  
    // Check languages (at least one checkbox should be checked)  
    var checkboxes = document.querySelectorAll('input[name="lang"]:checked');
```

```

// Check languages (at least one checkbox should be checked)
var checkboxes = document.querySelectorAll('input[name="lang"]:checked');
if (checkboxes.length === 0) {
    document.getElementById("langError").innerHTML = errorMessage["lang"] ;
    isValid = false;
}
return isValid; // Return the overall validity of the form
}
</script>
<style>
.error {
    color: red;
}
</style>
</head>

```

Adding Edit Validation

```
<form method="POST" action="formSubmittedSuccessfully.html" name="myForm" onsubmit="return check();">
```

```
<table >
  <tr>
    <td>Name</td>
    <td>
      <input type="text" name="name" size="20" onblur="validateField('name')"/>
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td colspan="2"><span id="nameError" class="error"></span></td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td>Pass</td>
    <td>
      <input type="password" name="pass" size="20" onblur="validateField('pass')"/>
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td colspan="2"><span id="passError" class="error"></span></td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td>Gender</td>
    <td>
      <input type="radio" name="gender" value="M" onblur="validateField('gender')"/>Male
      <input type="radio" name="gender" value="F" onblur="validateField('gender')"/>Female
    </td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td colspan="2"><span id="genderError" class="error"></span></td>
  </tr>
  <tr>
    <td>City</td>
    <td>
      <select size="1" name="city" onblur="validateField('city')">
        <option value="">Please Select</option>
        <option value="cairo">Cairo</option>
        <option value="paris">Paris</option>
      </select>
    </td>
  </tr>
</table>
```

```

<tr>
  <td>Languages</td>
  <td onclick="validateField('lang')">
    <input type="checkbox" name="lang" value="ar"/>ar
    <input type="checkbox" name="lang" value="en"/>en
  </td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td colspan="2"><span id="langError" class="error" ></span></td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td colspan="2" align="center">
    <input type="submit" value="OK"/>
  </td>
</tr>
</table>

</form>
</body>
</html>

```



```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
<meta charset="UTF-8">
<title>Form Validation</title>
<script type="text/javascript">
    var errorMessage = {
        "name": "Name is required",
        "pass": "Password is required",
        "gender": "Gender is required",
        "city": "City is required",
        "lang": "At least one Language checkbox should be checked"
    };

```

5+ usages

```

function validateField(fieldId) {
    var value = document.myForm[fieldId].value.trim();
    var errorSpan = document.getElementById(fieldId + "Error");
    if (fieldId === "lang") {
        // Special handling for checkboxes
        var checkboxes = document.querySelectorAll('input[name="lang"]:checked');
        if (checkboxes.length === 0) {
            errorSpan.innerHTML = errorMessage[fieldId];
        } else {
            errorSpan.innerHTML = "";
        }
    } else if (fieldId === "gender") {
        // Special handling for radio buttons
        var selectedGender = document.querySelector('input[name="gender"]:checked');
        if (!selectedGender) {
            errorSpan.innerHTML = errorMessage[fieldId];
        } else {
            errorSpan.innerHTML = "";
        }
    } else if (value === "") {
        errorSpan.innerHTML = errorMessage[fieldId];
    } else {
        errorSpan.innerHTML = "";
    }
}

```

```

}    function check() {
        var isValid = true;
        ["name", "pass", "gender", "city", "lang"].forEach(function(fieldId) {
            validateField(fieldId);
            if (document.getElementById(fieldId + "Error").innerHTML !== "") {
                isValid = false;
            }
        });
        return isValid;
    }
</script>
<style>
    .error {
        color: red;
    }
</style>
</head>

```