

Web Programming

JavaScript Part II.

Outline

- So far
 - JavaScript syntax, control statements, variables, functions, objects
 - Built-in objects (Math, Array, etc.)
- Today
 - Event-driven programming
 - Manipulating the DOM

Events and event handling

- *Event-driven programming*: execution is triggered by user actions
- *Event* is a notification that something specific has occurred
- *Event handler* is a script that is executed in response to the appearance of an event
- HTML tags are used to connect events to handlers

```
<div class="green" ondblclick="myEvent('green double clicked');"></div>
```

event (double click)

event handler

Events

- Mouse events
- Keyboard events
- Frame/object events
- Form events
- ... and more
 - Clipboard, print, media, animation, etc.
- See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_event.asp for the full list

Mouse events

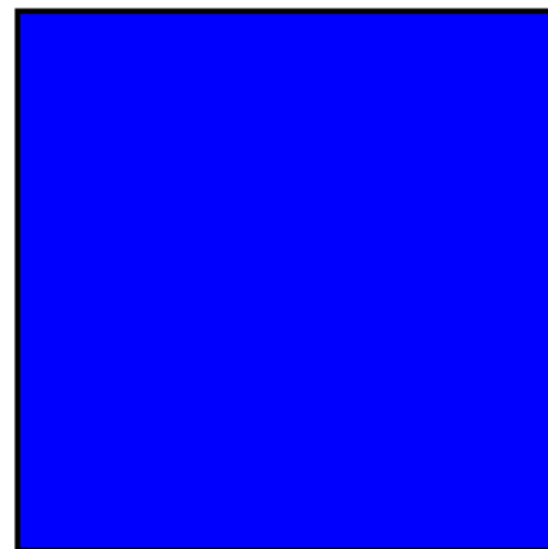
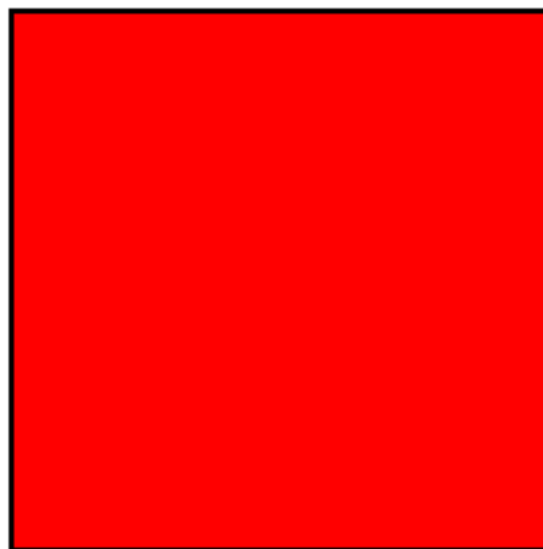
- **onclick** — click on an element
- **ondblclick** — double click on an element
- **onmousedown** — mouse button pressed over an element
- **onmouseup** — mouse button released over an element
- **onmouseover** — when the pointer is moved onto an element, or onto one of its children
- **onmouseout** — when a user moves the mouse pointer out of an element, or out of one of its children

Example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/mouse_events.html

```
<script>
  function myEvent(message) {
    alert(message);
  }
</script>
```

```
<div class="red" onmouseover="alert('red alert');"></div>
<div class="blue" onclick="alert('blue clicked');"></div>
<div class="green" ondblclick="myEvent('green double clicked');"></div>
```



Mouse event properties

- Further properties of the event can be accessed
 - **button** — which mouse button was pressed
 - **clientX, clientY** — coordinates of the mouse pointer, relative to the current window
 - **screenX, screenY** — coordinates of the mouse pointer, relative to the screen
 - **shiftKey, ctrlKey, altKey, metaKey** — boolean properties, reflecting the state of corresponding key: Shift, Ctrl, Alt or Command (Mac only)

Example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/mouse_event_logger.html

```
<script>
  function mhandle(event) {
    var msg = event.type
      + " button=" + event.button
      + " clientCoord=(" + event.clientX + ", " + event.clientY + ")"
      + " screenCoord=(" + event.screenX + ", " + event.screenY + ")"
      + (event.shiftKey ? " +shift" : "")
      + (event.ctrlKey ? " +ctrl" : "")
      + (event.altKey ? " +alt" : "")
      + (event.metaKey ? " +meta" : "");
    document.getElementById("log").innerHTML += msg + "\n";
  }
</script>
```

```
<div onclick="mhandle(event);"></div>
```


Keyboard events

- **onkeydown** — when the user is pressing a key
- **onkeypress** — when the user presses a key (triggers after keydown)
- **onkeyup** — when the user releases a key

Working with keyboard events

- Keydown/keyup are for any keys
- Keypress is for characters
- Key event properties
 - **keyCode** — the scan-code of the key (i.e., which key was pressed; it's the same for "a" and "A")
 - **charCode** — the ASCII character code
 - **shiftKey**, **ctrlKey**, **altKey**, **metaKey** — boolean properties, reflecting the state of corresponding key: Shift, Ctrl, Alt or Command (Mac only)

Example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/keyboard_event_logger.html

```
<script>
  function khandle(event) {
    var msg = event.type
      + " keyCode=" + event.keyCode
      + " charCode=" + event.charCode
      + (event.shiftKey ? " +shift" : "")
      + (event.ctrlKey ? " +ctrl" : "")
      + (event.altKey ? " +alt" : "")
      + (event.metaKey ? " +meta" : "");
    document.getElementById("log").innerHTML += msg + "\n";
  }
</script>
```

```
<input type="text" id="kinput" onkeydown="khandle(event);"
onkeyup="khandle(event);" onkeypress="khandle(event);"/><br/>
Log:<br/>
<textarea rows="18" id="log"></textarea>
```

Frame/object events

- **onload** — when an object has loaded
 - Most common usage: **<body onload="...">**
- **onpageshow** — when the user navigates to a webpage
- **onpagehide** — when the user navigates away from a webpage
- **onresize** — when the document view is resized
- **onscroll** — when an element's scrollbar is being scrolled

Example

🔄 [examples/js/events_dom/frame_events.html](#)

```
<body onload="alert('page loaded');"  
  onpageshow="console.log('navigated to page');"  
  onpagehide="console.log('navigated away from page');">
```

Form events

- **onfocus** — when an element gets focus
- **onblur** — when an element loses focus
- **onchange** — when the content/state of a form element has changed (for `<input>`, `<select>`, and `<textarea>`)
- **oninput** — when an element gets user input (for `<input>` and `<textarea>`)
- **onsubmit** — when a form is submitted
- **onreset** — when a form is reset

onchange vs. oninput

- **oninput** occurs immediately after the value of an element has changed
- **onchange** occurs when the element loses focus, after the content has been changed
- **onchange** also works for <select> (not just <input> and <textarea>)

Example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/form_events.html

```
<script>
  function setfocus(element) {
    element.style.backgroundColor = "yellow";
  }
  function input(element) {
    console.log(element.name + " oninput: " + element.value);
  }
</script>
```

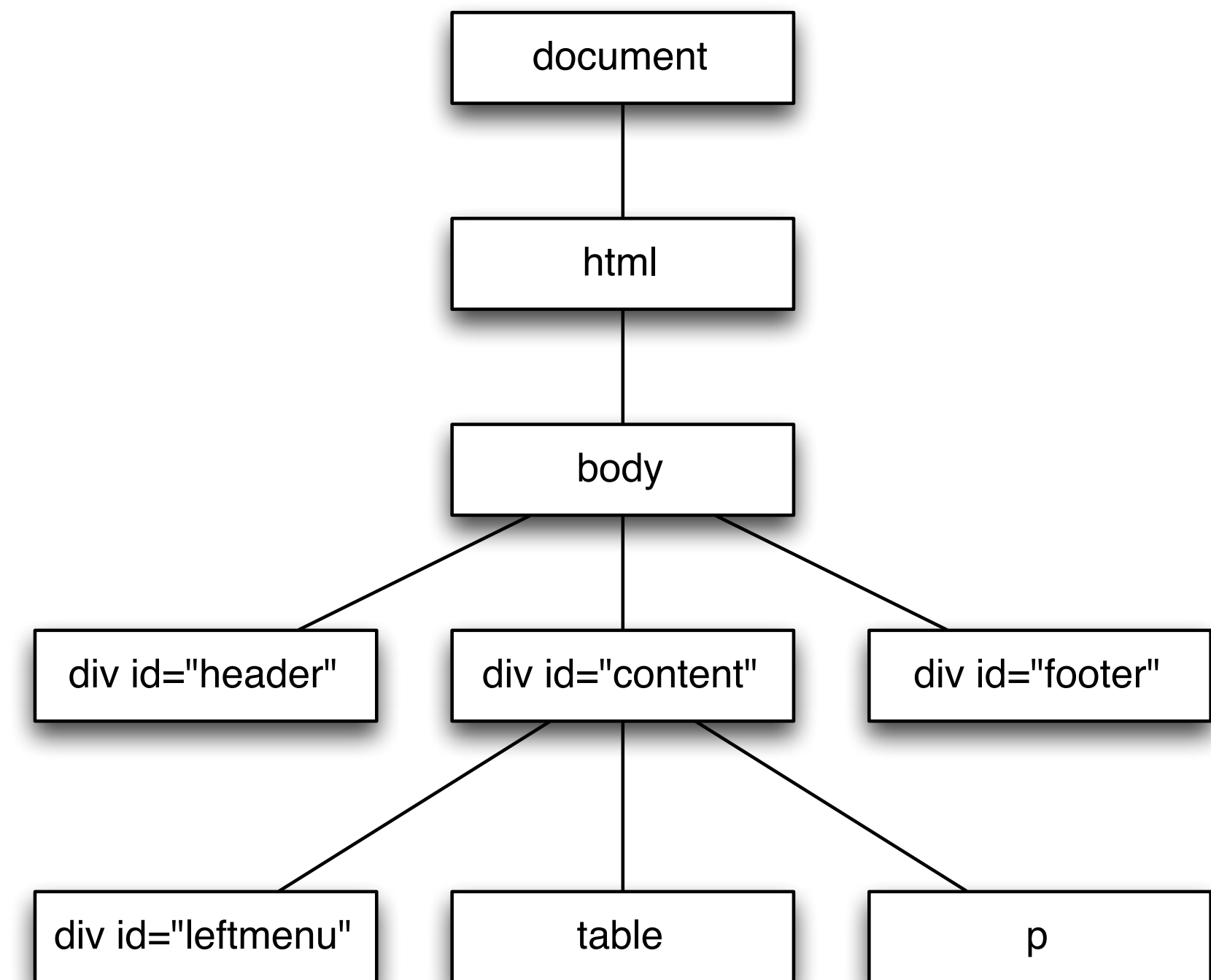
```
<form name="test" onsubmit="alert('form submitted');">

<input type="text" name="name" size="20" placeholder="Firstname, lastname"
  onfocus="setfocus(this);"
  onblur="losefocus(this);"
  oninput="input(this);"
  onchange="change(this);"/>
```

this refers to the this particular <input> element

Document Object Model (DOM)

- Internal model of the HTML page
- Consistent way (across all browsers) to gain access to the structure and content of HTML
- A tree of HTML elements
- **Object** model
 - Each HTML elements is an object (with methods and properties)
 - Plus two additional objects: document and window



Interacting with the DOM

- JavaScript can interact with the DOM to get access to the elements and the content in them
 - Getting and setting the attributes of elements
 - Creating or adding elements
 - Removing elements

Wait until the page has fully loaded!

- In most cases, we need to wait for the DOM to be fully created before start executing JavaScript code

```
<script>
  function init() {
    ...
  }

  window.onload = init;
</script>
```

The ***init*()** function is assigned to the onload event of the (browser) window.

Finding HTML elements

- Finding elements by ID
 - Typically saved to a variable so that we can refer to the element throughout the code

```
var element = document.getElementById("someid");
```

- Finding elements by tag/class name
 - E.g., listing names and values of all input elements

```
var x = document.getElementsByTagName("input");  
for (var i = 0; i < x.length; i++) {  
    console.log(x[i].name + ": " + x[i].value);  
}
```

Getting properties of HTML elements

- **id** — the value of the id attribute
- **innerHTML** — the HTML content (between the opening and closing tags)

```
var mydiv = document.getElementById("mydiv");  
console.log("HTML content: " + mydiv.innerHTML);
```

- **tagName** — the name of the HTML tag (in uppercase, e.g., P, DIV, H1, etc.)
- **getAttribute()** — a specific attribute's value
- See a full list of properties and methods of the element object http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_all.asp

Changing HTML elements

- Change the inner HTML

```
document.getElementById("mydiv").innerHTML = "new content";
```

```
document.getElementById("mydiv").innerHTML = "<p>new content</p>";
```

- Change the value of a specific attribute

```
document.getElementById("myImage").src = "landscape.jpg";
```

```
document.getElementById("myImage").setAttribute("src", "landscape.jpg");
```

Changing CSS properties

- **style.x** — the value of a style property **x**
 - See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_style.asp
- Change the style property of an HTML element

```
document.getElementById("mydiv").style.height = "200px";
```

```
document.getElementById("mydiv").style.backgroundColor = "blue";
```

- Add/remove classes assigned to a HTML element

```
var div = document.getElementById("mydiv");

if (!div.classList.contains("border")) {
    div.classList.add("border");
}
else {
    div.classList.remove("border");
}
```

Assigning events to elements (1)

- Setting the element's **on...** attribute in HTML

```
<script>  
  function dosomething() {  
    ...  
  }  
</script>
```

```
<div id="mydiv" onclick="dosomething()"></div>
```


Assigning events to elements (2)

- Modifying the element's **on...** property

```
<script>
  function dosomething() {
    ...
  }
  function init() {
    document.getElementById("mydiv").onclick = dosomething;
  }
  window.onload = init;
</script>
```

```
<div id="mydiv"></div>
```

Assigning events to elements (3)

- Using event listeners
 - Attaches an event handler to an element without overwriting existing event handlers
 - Multiple event handlers might be added to one element

```
document.getElementById("myBtn").addEventListener("click", showAlert);  
document.getElementById("myBtn").addEventListener("click", log);
```

- Event listeners can be removed too

```
document.getElementById("myBtn").removeEventListener("click", showAlert);
```

- See http://www.w3schools.com/js/js_htmlDOM_eventlistener.asp

Passing parameters to event handlers

- Functions assigned to events from JS cannot take arguments
 - Otherwise the function is immediately executed

```
function changeColor(element) {  
    ...  
}  
function init() {  
    var mydiv = document.getElementById("mydiv");  
    mydiv.style.backgroundColor = "blue";  
    mydiv.onclick = changeColor(mydiv);  
}
```

Wrong! changeColor() executes immediately

- Solution: use an "anonymous function" that calls the specified function with the parameters

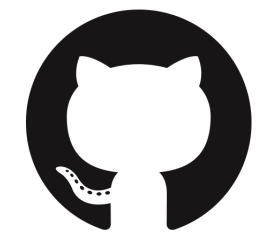
```
mydiv.onclick = function() {changeColor(mydiv);}
```

Example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/event_listeners.html

```
function init() {  
    // assign showAlert() and log() to all divs  
    var x = document.getElementsByTagName("div");  
    for (var i = 0; i < x.length; i++) {  
        x[i].addEventListener("click", showAlert);  
        x[i].addEventListener("click", log);  
    }  
  
    // remove log() from elements that have the nolog class  
    x = document.getElementsByClassName("nolog");  
    for (var i = 0; i < x.length; i++) {  
        x[i].removeEventListener("click", log);  
    }  
}
```

Exercises #1, #2 (#2b)



[https://github.com/kbalog/web-programming/tree/master/](https://github.com/kbalog/web-programming/tree/master/exercises/js/events_dom)
exercises/js/events_dom

Working with forms

- Different element properties, depending on the type of input
- Common
 - **name** — name attribute
 - **type** — which type of form element it is
 - **disabled** — whether the element is disabled or not
 - **form** — reference to the form that contains the element
 - **required** — whether the input must be filled out before submitting the form

Input text object

- <input> and <textarea> elements
 - **value** — get or set the value of the element
- See
 - http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_text.asp
 - http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_textarea.asp

```
<script>  
  var name = document.getElementById("name");  
  console.log("Name: " + name.value);  
</script>
```

```
<input type="text" name="name" id="name"/>
```

Select list

- Properties
 - **length** — number of options in the list
 - **selectedIndex** — index of the selected option
 - **options[index].value** — value of the selected option
 - **options[index].text** — text corresponding to the selected option
- See
 - http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_select.asp

Select list example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/form_events.html

```
<script>
  function processForm() {
    var name = document.getElementById("name");
    console.log("Name: " + name.value);

    var country = document.getElementById("country");
    for (var i = 0; i < country.length; i++) {
      console.log "[" + country[i].value + "]" + country[i].text
        + (country[i].selected ? " selected" : "");
    }
    console.log("Selected: " + country.options[country.selectedIndex].text);
  }
</script>
```

```
<select name="country" id="country" onchange="processForm();">
  <option value="--">Select</option>
  <option value="NO">Norway</option>
  <option value="SE">Sweden</option>
  <option value="DK">Denmark</option>
</select>
```

Input checkbox and radio

- Properties
 - **checked** — sets or returns the checked state
- See
 - http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_checkbox.asp
 - http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_radio.asp

Checkbox example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/form_events.html

```
<script>
  function processForm() {

    var delivery = document.getElementsByName("delivery");
    for (var i = 0; i < delivery.length; i++) {
      console.log "[" + (delivery[i].checked ? "X" : " ") + "]" +
        + delivery[i].value);
    }
  }
</script>
```

```
<label>Delivery
  <input type="radio" name="delivery" value="normal">Normal
  <input type="radio" name="delivery" value="extra">Extra
  <input type="radio" name="delivery" value="hyper">Hyper
</label>
```

Form validation using JavaScript

```
<script>
  function checkForm() {
    var valid = true;

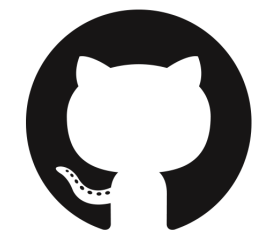
    // perform input check
    // set valid to false if it fails

    return valid;
  }
</script>
```

```
<form name="test" action="..." onsubmit="return checkForm();">
...
</form>
```

If the **checkForm()** function returns **true** the form will submit. If **false**, the form does nothing.

Exercises #3, #4



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DOM nodes

- Everything is a node
 - The document itself is a document node
 - All HTML elements are element nodes
 - All HTML attributes are attribute nodes
 - Text inside HTML elements are text nodes
 - Comments are comment nodes
- The **nodeType** property returns the type of the node

Traversing the DOM

- Finding child elements (excl. text and comment nodes)
 - **childElementCount** — number of child element an element has
 - **children** — child nodes of an element
 - **hasChildNodes()** — if an element has any child nodes
- Finding child elements (incl. text and comment nodes)
 - **childNodes** — child nodes of an element
 - The number of elements can be accessed using **childNodes.length**
- Finding parent element
 - **parentNode** — reference to the parent of the element

Example

🔗 examples/js/events_dom/dom_traverse.html

```
function traverse(element, level) {
    var line = "";
    // indentation
    for (var i = 0; i < level; i++) {
        line += "  ";
    }
    // print element
    line += element.nodeName;
    console.log(line);

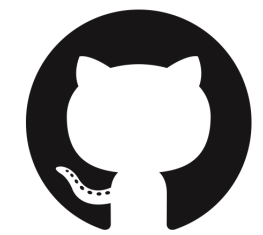
    // recursively traverse child elements
    if (element.hasChildNodes()) {
        for (var i = 0; i < element.children.length; i++) {
            traverse(element.children[i], level + 1);
        }
    }
}

window.onload = function () {
    traverse(document.body, 0);
}
```


Traversing the DOM (2)

- Some convenience properties
 - **firstChild** — first child node of an element
 - **firstElementChild** — first child element of an element
 - **lastChild** — last child node of an element
 - **lastElementChild** — last child element of an element
 - **nextSibling** — next node at the same node tree level
 - **nextElementSibling** — next element at the same node tree level
 - **previousSibling** — previous node at the same node tree level
 - **previousElementSibling** — previous element at the same node tree level
 - **parentElement** — parent element node of an element

Exercises #5, #6, (#6b)



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Hint for Exercise #6

- Change the **style.display** or **style.visibility** property
- Remember the difference

```
CSS #mydiv {  
    style.display: none;  
}
```



```
CSS #mydiv {  
    visibility: hidden;  
}
```



Creating HTML elements

- To add a new HTML element

- Create the element

```
var h2 = document.createElement("h2");
```

- Set the content of the element

```
h2.innerHTML = "Article header";
```

- or

```
var text = document.createTextNode("Article header");  
h2.appendChild(text);
```

- Append it to an existing element (otherwise it won't appear on the page)

```
var art1 = document.getElementById("article1");  
art1.appendChild(h2);
```

Inserting new HTML element

- **appendChild()** adds new element after the last child element of the parent
- **insertBefore()** inserts before a specified child node

```
var newItem = document.createElement("li");
newItem.innerHTML = "Water";
// get the parent element
var list = document.getElementById("mylist");
// insert before the first child
list.insertBefore(newItem, list.children[0]);
```

Removing or replacing HTML elements

- To remove or replace a HTML element
 - You must know the parent of the element
 - If you identified the element, you can use the **parentNode** property to find its parent

- **removeChild()** — removes a given child element

```
var art1 = document.getElementById("article1");  
art1.parentNode.removeChild(art1);
```

- **replaceChild()** — replaces a given child element

```
var art1 = document.getElementById("article1");  
var art2 = document.createElement("article");  
art1.parentNode.replaceChild(art2, art1);
```

Example

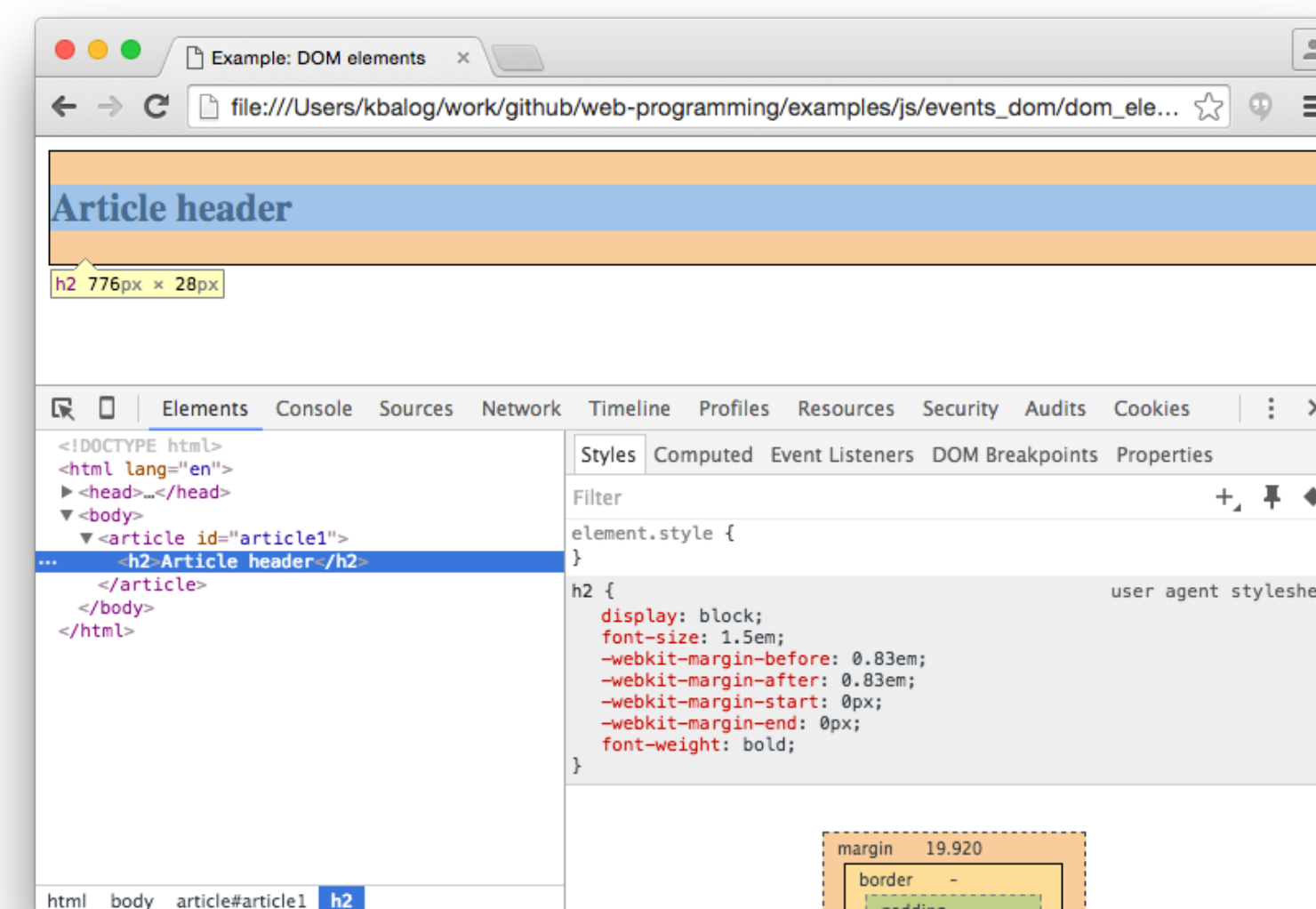
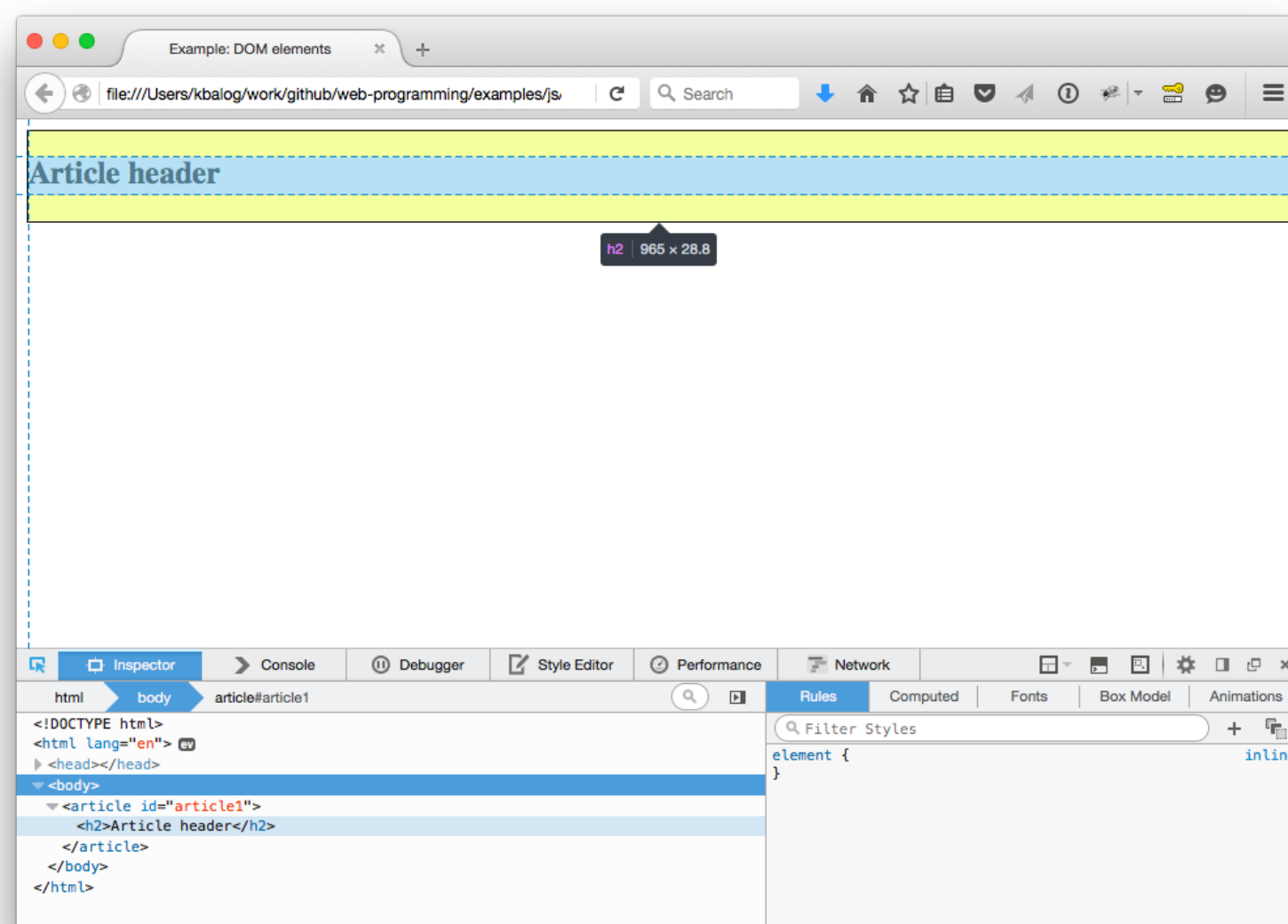
🔗 examples/js/events_dom/dom_elements.html

```
<script>
  function addArticleHeader() {
    // create a new heading
    var h2 = document.createElement("h2");
    // set the content of the new element
    h2.innerHTML = "Article header";
    // identify parent element
    var art1 = document.getElementById("article1");
    // append to parent element
    art1.appendChild(h2);
  }
</script>
```

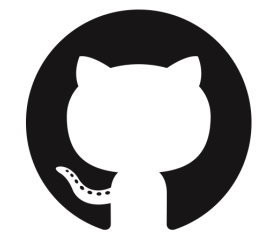
```
<body>
  <article id="article1"></article>
</body>
```

Dev hint

- When using JS to change the DOM, use the browser's web inspector tool to see the modified HTML source
- Viewing the page source will only show the initial HTML



Exercise #7, (#7b)



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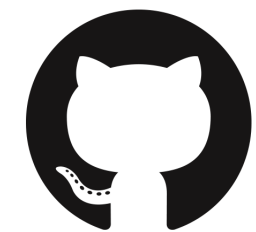
Browser Object Model (BOM)

- Window object — represents a browser window
 - Various popup windows (alert, confirm, prompt)
 - Opening new window and closing current window
 - Moving and scrolling the document
 - See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj_window.asp
- Location object (part of the Window object)
 - Contains information about the current URL
 - See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj_location.asp

Browser Object Model (BOM)

- History object (part of the Window object)
 - Contains information about the URLs visited by the user
 - See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj_history.asp
- Screen
 - Dimensions, resolution, color depth of the screen
 - See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj_screen.asp
- Navigator
 - Information about the browser (name, platform, version, etc.)
 - See http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj_navigator.asp

Exercises #8, #9



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