Designing for Web 2.0

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Navigation and links

- Menus:
 - Horizontal
 - Vertical
 - Flyout
- Efficient forms
 - Proper input elements
 - Min number of fields
 - Javascript/PHP for validation

Usability

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- Summarize
- Organize
- Write compactly
- □ Don't be too creative!

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Visual Effects

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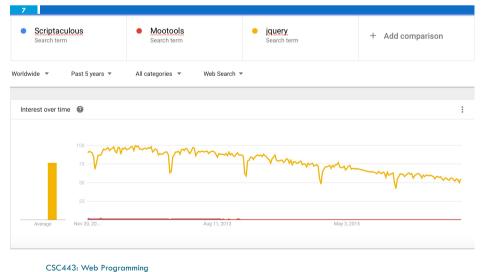
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Scriptaculous overview

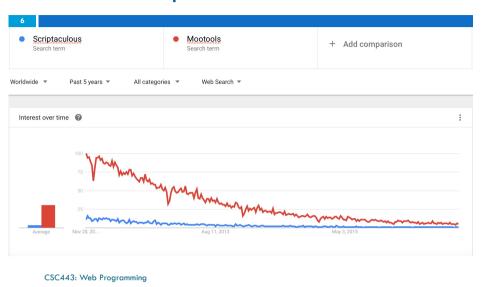
- Scriptaculous: a JavaScript library, built on top of Prototype, that adds:
 - visual effects (animation, fade in/out, highlighting)
 - drag and drop
 - some DOM enhancements
 - other stuff (unit testing, etc.)
- □ People are moving away from Scriptaculous towards newer frameworks such as ¡Query UI

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Trends: Scriptaculous vs. Mootools vs. ¡Query



Trends: Scriptaculous vs. Mootools

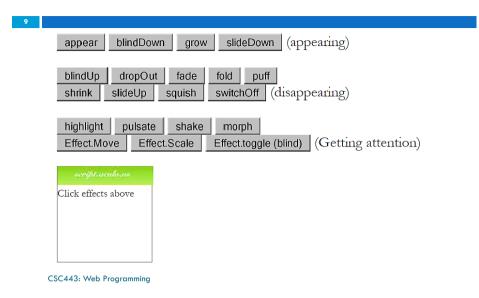


Downloading and using Scriptaculous

- □ documentation available on their wiki
- □ Scriptaculous Effects Cheat Sheet

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Visual Effects



Adding effects to an element

cscfps, from, queue, sync, to, transition

Adding effects to an element

```
element.effectName(); // for most effects

// some effects must be run the following way:
new Effect.name(element or id);

$("sidebar").shake();
var buttons = $$("results > button");
for (var i = 0; i < buttons.length; i++) {
    buttons[i].fade();
}

the effect will begin to animate on screen
(asynchronously) the moment you call it

six core effects are used to implement all effects on
the previous slides:

Effect Highlight, Effect.Morph, Effect.Move,
Effect.Opacity, Effect.Parallel, Effect.Scale
```

Adding effects to an element

Adding effects to an element

```
$ ("my_element").fade({
          duration: 3.0,
          afterFinish: displayMessage
});
function displayMessage(effect) {
          alert(effect.element + " is done fading now!");
}
```

- each of these events receives the Effect object as its parameter
 - its properties: element, options, currentFrame, startOn, finishOn
 - some effects (e.g. Shrink) are technically "parallel effects", so to access the modified element, you write

effect.effects[0].element rather than just CSC443: Web-Programming effect.element

Draggable

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- specifies an element as being able to be dragged
- options: handle, revert, snap, zindex, constraint, ghosting, starteffect, reverteffect, endeffect
- event options: onStart, onDrag, onEnd
 - each handler function accepts two parameters: the Draggable object, and the mouse event

Drag and drop

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Scriptaculous provides several objects for supporting drag-and-drop functionality:

- □ <u>Draggable</u>: an element that can be dragged
- <u>Draggables</u>: manages all Draggable objects on the page
- <u>Droppables</u>: elements on which a Draggable can be dropped
- □ Sortable: a list of items that can be reordered
- □ Puzzle Game demo

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Draggable Example

```
<div id="draggabledemo1">Draggable demo. Default
options.</div>
<div id="draggabledemo2">Draggable demo.
{snap: [40,40], revert: true}</div>

document.observe("dom:loaded", function() {
    new Draggable("draggabledemo1");
    new Draggable("draggabledemo2", {revert: true,
    snap: [40, 40]});
});
```

Draggable demo. Default options.

Draggable demo. {snap:[60, 60], revert:true}

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Draggables

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- a global helper for accessing/managing all
 Draggable objects on a page
- □ properties: drags, observers
- methods: register, unregister, activate, deactivate, updateDrag, endDrag, keyPress, addObserver, removeObserver, notify

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Draggable Example

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```
<img id="product1" src="images/shirt.png" alt="shirt" />
<img id="product2" src="images/cup.png" alt="cup" />
<div id="droptarget"></div>
```

```
document.observe("dom:loaded", function() {
    new Draggable("product1");
    new Draggable("product2");
    Droppables.add("droptarget", {onDrop:
    productDrop});
});
function productDrop(drag, drop, event) {
    alert("You dropped " + drag.id);
}
```

Droppables

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- □ To make an element react when a <u>Draggable</u> is dropped onto it, you'll add it to the *Droppables* of the page
- □ options: accept, containment, hoverclass, overlap, greedy
- □ event options: onHover, onDrop
- each callback accepts three parameters: the CSC443. Draggable, the Droppable, and the event

Sortable

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- specifies a list (ul, ol) as being able to be dragged into any order
- implemented internally using Draggables and Droppables
- □ **options:** tag, only, overlap, constraint, containment, format, handle, hoverclass, ghosting, dropOnEmpty, scroll, scrollSensitivity, scrollSpeed, tree, treeTag
- to make a list un-sortable again, call csc443: Web Programming destroy on it

Sortable demo

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```
document.observe("dom:loaded", function() {
         Sortable.create("simpsons");
});
```

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Sortable list events example

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Sortable demo

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event	description
onChange	when any list item hovers over a new position while dragging
onUpdate	when a list item is dropped into a new position (more useful)

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Auto-completing text fields

 Scriptaculous offers ways to make a text box that autocompletes based on prefix strings:

- auto-completer.Local:
 auto-completes from
 an array of choices
- Ajax.Autocompleter: fetches and displays list of choices using Ajax
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Using Autocompleter.Local

```
new Autocompleter.Local(
    element or id of text box,
    element or id of div to show completions,
    array of choices,
    { options }
);

JS
```

- you must create an (initially empty) div to store the autocompletion matches
 - it will be inserted as a ul that you can style with CSS
 - the user can select items by pressing Up/Down arrows; selected item is given a class of selected
- pass the choices as an array of strings
- pass any extra options as a fourth parameter between { }

```
□ options: choices, partialSearch, fullSearch, CSC443; Webl*rogramming, ignoreCase
```

Using Autocompleter.Local

```
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```

```
#bandlistarea {
        border: 2px solid gray;
}
/* 'selected' class is given to the autocomplete item
currently chosen */
#bandlistarea .selected {
        background-color: pink;
}

CSS
```

Using Autocompleter.Local

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```
<input id="bands70s" size="40" type="text" />
<div id="bandlistarea"></div>
```

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Using Ajax. Autocompleter

```
new Ajax.Autocompleter(
    element or id of text box,
    element or id of div to show completions,
    url,
    { options }
);
```

- when you have too many choices to hold them all in an array, you can instead fetch subsets of choices from the server using Aiax
- instead of passing choices as an array, pass a URL from which to fetch them
 - the choices are sent back from the server as an HTML ul with li elements in it

Playing sounds (API)

method	description
Sound.play("url");	plays a sound/music file
Sound.disable();	stops future sounds from playing (doesn't mute any sound in progress)
Sound.enable();	re-enables sounds to be playable after a call to Sound.disable()

```
Sound.play("music/java_rap.mp3");
Sound.play("music/wazzaaaaaap.wav");

PHP
```

- to silence a sound playing in progress, use Sound.play('', {replace: true});
- cannot play sounds from a local computer (must be uploaded to a web site)

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Ajax.InPlaceEditor

- □ a variation of Ajax.InPlaceEditor that gives a collection of choices
- □ requires collection option whose value is an array of strings to choose from
- □ all other options are the same as Ajax.InPlaceEditor

Ajax.InPlaceEditor

```
new Ajax.InPlaceEditor(element or id,
url,
{ options }
);

JS
```

- □ options: okButton, okText, cancelLink, cancelText, savingText, clickToEditText, formId, externalControl, rows, onComplete, onFailure, cols, size, highlightcolor, highlightendcolor, formClassName, hoverClassName, loadTextURL, loadingText, callback, submitOnBlur, ajaxOptions
- event options: onEnterHover, onLeaveHover, onEnterEditMode, onLeaveEditMode

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Ajax.InPlaceEditor

□ slider control:

```
new Control.Slider("id of knob", "id of track",
{options});
JS
```

□ <u>Builder</u> - convenience class to replace document.createElement:

```
var img = Builder.node("img", {
    src: "images/lolcat.jpg",
    width: 100, height: 100,
    alt: "I can haz Scriptaculous?"
});
$("main").appendChild(img);
```

■ Tabbed Uls