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Canvas and JavaScript

Objectives

- Describe Canvas in HTML5
- Explain the procedure to draw lines
- Explain the procedure to use color and transparency
- Explain the procedure to work with various drawing objects
- Describe working with images and text
- Describe the procedure to create Web page events with JavaScript and jQuery
- Describe the process of including external content in Web pages

Canvas Element 1-3

- can be used to draw shapes on Web sites as well as to dynamically draw graphics using JavaScript.
- is represented like a rectangle on a page and allows the user to draw arcs, text, shapes, gradients, and patterns.
- is like the , <table>, or <a> tag except that the content used in it is rendered through JavaScript.
- does not contain any drawing abilities, instead, the drawing is done using a JavaScript code.
- Using <canvas> with JavaScript improves the overall performance of Web sites and avoids the requirement to download images from the sites.

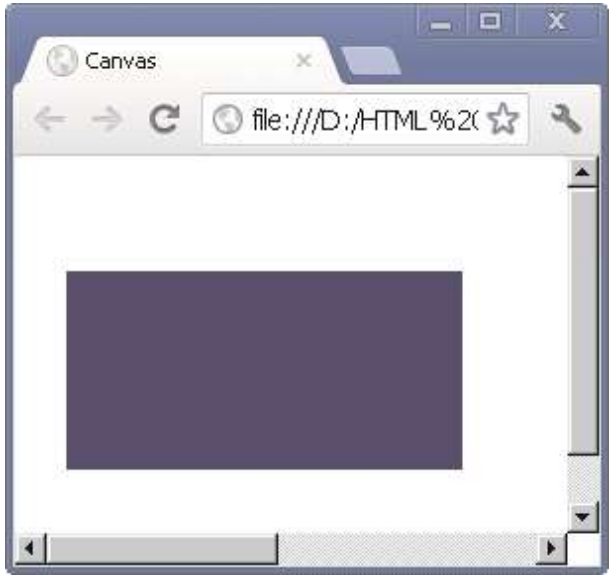
Canvas Element 2-3

- The Code Snippet demonstrates the use of <canvas> element.

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML>
 <html>
  <head>
   <title> Canvas </title>
    <style>
       canvas{border: medium double red; margin: 4px}
    </style>
      </head>
  <body>
    <canvas width="278" height="200">
    </canvas>
  </body>
 </html>
```

Canvas Element 3-3

- The <canvas> element in DOM exposes the HTMLCanvasElement interface.
- This interface provides the methods and properties for changing the presentation and layout of canvas elements.
- The HTMLCanvasElement has a getContext(context) method that returns the drawing context for the canvas.



Drawing a Line in Canvas

- You can create lines in a canvas using the stroke(), beginPath(), lineTo(), and moveTo() methods.
- Syntax to create a line in canvas:

Syntax:

```
ctext.beginPath();
ctext.moveTo(x,y);
ctext.lineTo(x,y);
ctext.stroke();
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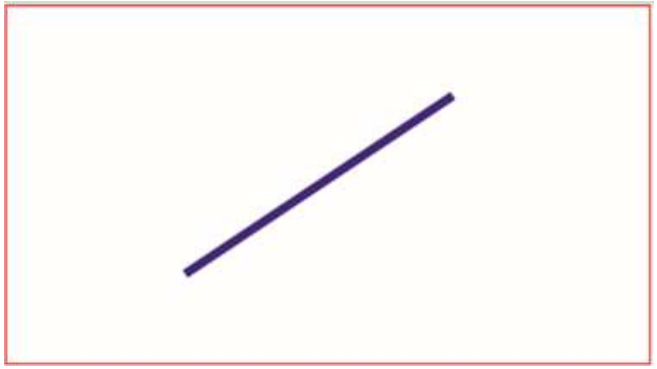


where,

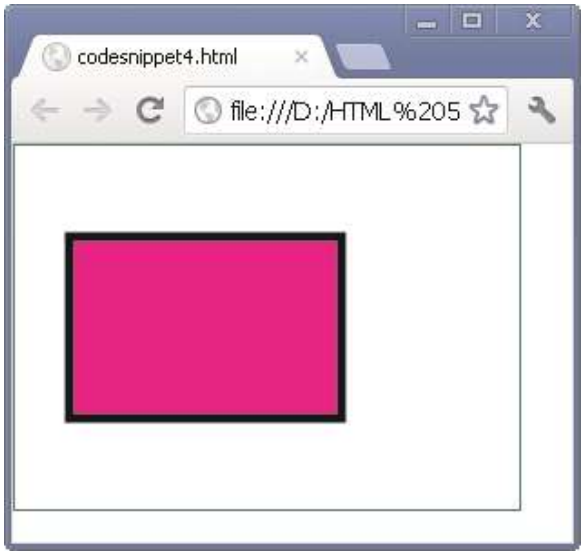
- ctext - specifies a context object
- beginPath() - Specifies a new drawing path
- moveTo() - Specifies the creation of new sub path to the given position
- lineTo() - Specifies the drawing of a line from the context position to the given position
- stroke() - Specifies how to assign a color to the line and display it

Working with Drawing Objects

Rectangle

- With HTML5 canvas, can create a rectangle using the **rect()** method.
- The HTML5 canvas is placed by using the x and y parameters and appropriately sized through height and width properties.

Properties and Methods
`fillStyle`
`filRect(x, y, width, height)`
`strokeStyle`
`strokeRect(x, y, width, height)`
`clearRect(x, y, width, height)`



Working with Drawing Objects 2-5

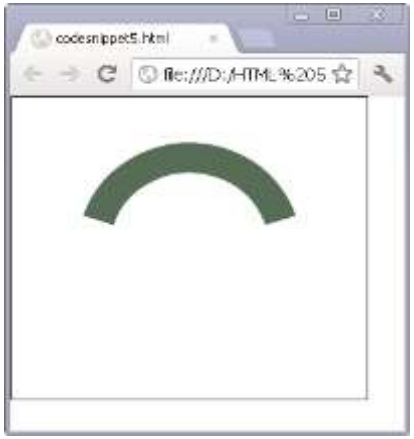
Arcs

- Can create an arc by using the **arc()** method.
- Arcs are represented using a start angle, an end angle, a radius, a center point, and the drawing direction (anticlockwise or clockwise).

Syntax:
arc(x, y, radius, startAngle, endAngle, anticlockwise)

where,

- x, y - the coordinates of the center of an arc
- radius - the distance from the center to any point on the circle
- startAngle, endAngle - the start and end points in the arc
- anticlockwise - Draws the arc clockwise or anticlockwise and accepts a boolean value



Working with Drawing Objects 3-5

Circle

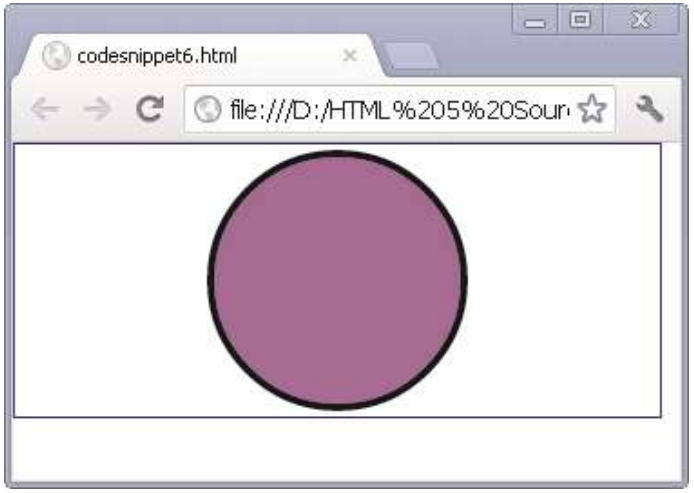
- draw a circle using the **arc()** method.
- have to set the start angle with 0 and the end angle is specified as 2*PI.

Syntax:

```
arc(x, y, radius, startAngle, endAngle, anticlockwise)
```

where,

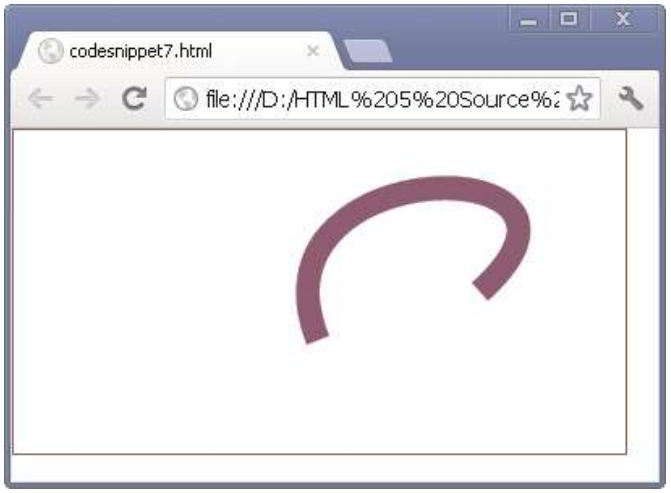
- x, y - Specifies the coordinates of the center of an arc
- radius - Specifies the distance from the center to any point on the circle
- startAngle, endAngle - Specifies the start and end points in the arc
- anticlockwise - Draws the arc clockwise or anticlockwise and accepts a boolean value



Working with Drawing Objects

Bezier Curves

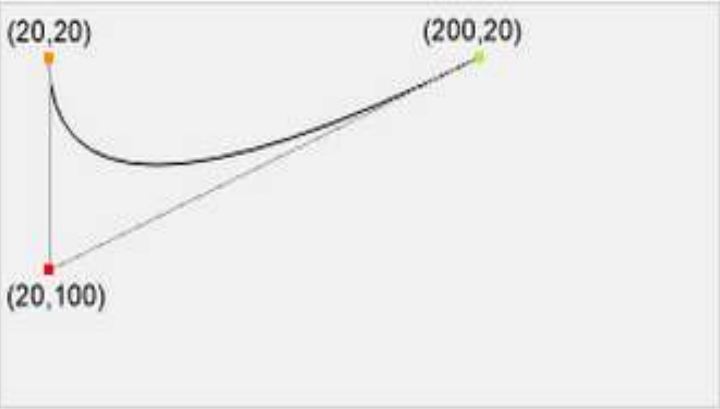
- can create a Bezier curve using the **bezierCurveTo()** method.
- Bezier curves are represented with the two control points, context points, and an end point



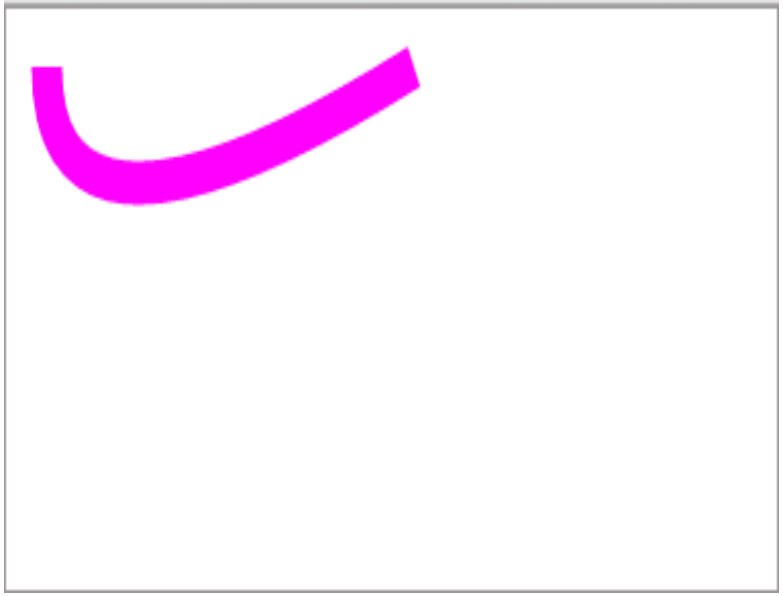
Working with Drawing Objects 5-5

➢ Quadratic Curves

- Can create quadratic curves using the quadraticCurveTo() method.
- Quadratic curves are represented through the context point, an end point, and a control point.



- Start point: moveTo(**20,20**)
- Control point: quadraticCurveTo(**20,100**,200,20)
- End point: quadraticCurveTo(20,100,**200,20**)

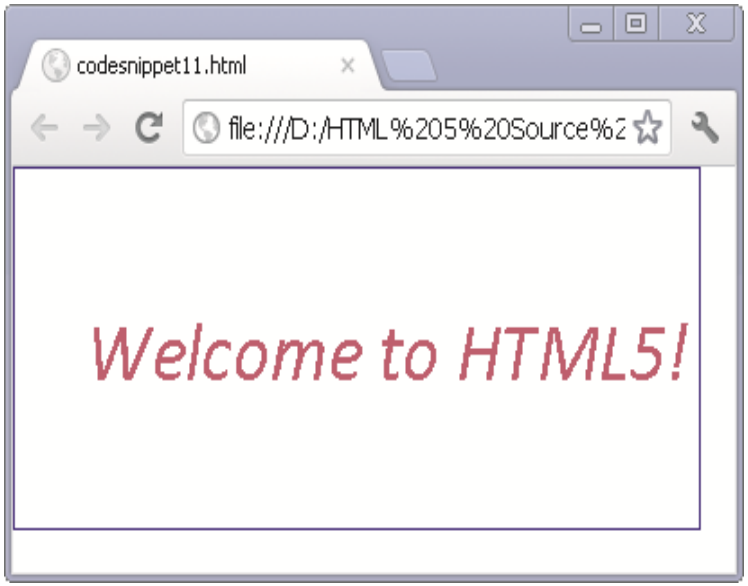


Working with Images

- Image objects can be drawed on canvas using drawImage() method.
- The **drawImage()** method can also draw parts of an image and increase or reduce the size of the image.
- This method accepts nine parameters, depending on editing that is required on the image.
- The image object can be a video, an image, or another canvas element.

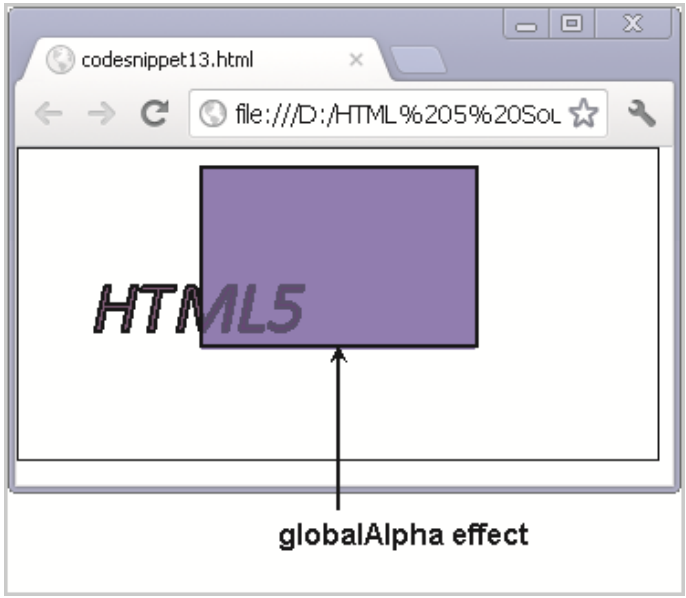
Working with Text

- HTML5 canvas enables you to set the font, style, and size of text by using the font properties.
- The font style can be italic, normal, or bold.
- To set the text color, the fillStyle property of the canvas can be used.



Using Transparency for Text in Canvas

- There are two ways to set the transparency for the text and shapes.
- The first method is to use the strokeStyle and fillStyle by using the rgb function.
- The second method is to use globalAlpha drawing state property, which can be applied universally.
- The globalAlpha property is a value that ranges between 0 (fully transparent) and 1 (fully opaque).

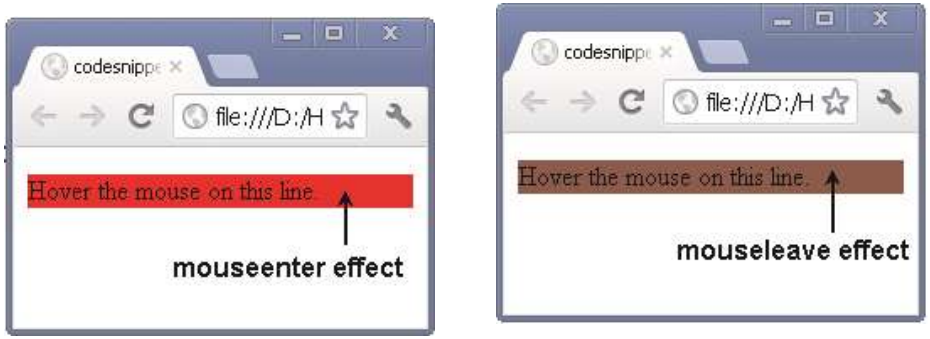


Using Events with jQuery 1-2

- jQuery also offers different events to deal with common interactions when the user moves the mouse or switches between two actions while clicking.
- The following are the events:

➢ **hover() event**

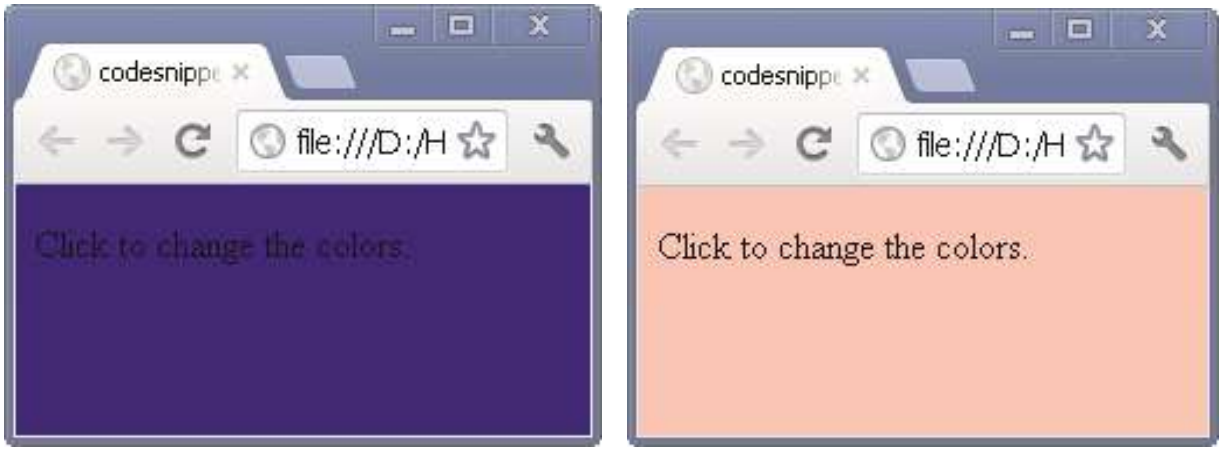
- The mouseenter and mouseleave are the two events often used together.
- jQuery provides a hover() function that accepts two parameters.
- The first parameter executes when the mouse moves over the element and the second function executes when the mouse moves away from the element.



Using Events with jQuery 2-2

➢ toggle() event

- The toggle() event works in a similar manner as that of the hover() event, except that it responds to mouse clicks.
- The toggle() function accepts more than two functions as arguments.
- All the functions passed to the toggle() event will react to its corresponding click action.



Inclusion of External Content in Web Pages

- HTML5 introduces the <eventsource> tag that allows the user to push external content in the Web page. This model is referred to as push model.
- Since the <eventsource> tag is not supported in many browsers, users make use of the <embed> tag for this purpose.
- The <embed> tag is a new element in HTML5 and it is represented as a container for an interactive content or an external application.
- The <embed> tag is often used to add elements such as image, audio, or video on a Web page.
  - The Code Snippet demonstrates the use of <embed> tag.

```
<embed src=”mymovie.mp3” />
```

  - In this code, the src attribute specifies the path of an external file to embed.

Summary

- The <canvas> element is a drawing area where the user can draw graphics, use images, add animations, and also add text for enhancing the user experience on Web pages.
- To create a line, on a canvas one can use the stroke(), beginPath(), lineTo(), and moveTo() methods.
- Arcs are represented using a start angle, an end angle, a radius, a center point, and the drawing direction (anticlockwise or clockwise).
- With HTML5 canvas, the user can create a rectangle using the rect() method.
- Bezier curves are represented with the two control points, context points, and an end point.
- HTML5 canvas allows the user to create quadratic curves using the quadraticCurveTo() method.
- HTML5 canvas enables the user to draw image object on canvas using the drawImage() method.