As we all know from last week’s discussion, JavaScript is a web programming language used mainly to run on the client-side (browser). It has been hinted that JavaScript may be losing relevance due to the rise of mobile computing (University of Liverpool/Laureate Online Education, 2014). However, I believe that the opposite is true, and that because of mobile computing, JavaScript’s importance is actually increasing.

First of all, a survey conducted in 2013 reported that JavaScript was the programming language of choice by web developers, followed by Java and Objective-C (Appcelerator, 2013). With mobile devices accounting for almost 30 percent of all web traffic (Sterling, 2013), and 88 percent of all websites using JavaScript (W3Techs, 2014), it can be deduced that JavaScript is being used on not only on the desktop/laptop platform, but on the mobile platform as well. The countless number of websites that already exist will not be changing to another technology anytime soon.

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