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• The purpose of jQuery is to make it much easier to use JavaScript on your website.

• Prerequisite to jQuery:

> HTML

> CSS

➤ JavaScript

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## What is jQuery?

• jQuery is a lightweight, "write less, do more", JavaScript library.

• jQuery takes a lot of common tasks that require many lines of JavaScript code to accomplish and wraps them into methods that you can call with a single line of code.

• jQuery also simplifies a lot of the complicated things from JavaScript, like Asynchronous JavaScript and XML(AJAX) calls and Document Object Model (DOM) manipulation.

## What is jQuery?

• The jQuery library contains the following features:

- HTML/DOM manipulation
- CSS manipulation
- HTML event methods
- Effects and animations
- AJAX
- Utilities

## EXTRA: Document Object Model(DOM)

• The DOM is a **programming interface for web documents**. It represents the structure of an HTML document as a **tree of objects**, allowing programs (usually JavaScript) to **access, modify, add, or delete** content dynamically.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h1>Hello DOM!</h1>
This is a paragraph.
</body>
</html>
```

# EXTRA: Asynchronous JavaScript and XML(AJAX)

 It is a web development technique used to send and receive data asynchronously from a server without refreshing the entire web page.

- Key Concepts:
- Asynchronous: AJAX allows parts of a web page to be updated without reloading the whole page.
- JavaScript: AJAX is implemented using JavaScript.
- XML : AJAX originally used XML for data exchange, but JSON is used more common today.

## What is jQuery?

- There are lots of other JavaScript libraries out there, but jQuery is probably the most popular, and also the most extendable.
- Many of the biggest companies on the Web use jQuery, such as:
- Google
- Microsoft
- IBM
- Netflix

## Setting up jQuery code environment

There are several ways to start using jQuery on your web site. You can:

Download the jQuery library

➤ Include jQuery from a Content Delivery Network (CDN).

 The jQuery library is a single JavaScript file, and you reference it with the HTML <script> tag.

## Extra: Content Delivery Network (CDN)

- A CDN is a **network of servers distributed globally** that delivers web content to users based on their **geographic location**, improving **speed**, **performance**, and **reliability**.
- Benefits of Using a CDN:
- > Faster Load Times Especially for users far from the original server
- > Reduced Bandwidth Costs Through caching and compression
- > **High Availability** Redundancy across multiple servers
- > DDoS Protection By distributing traffic and filtering malicious requests
- > Scalability Easily handles sudden traffic spikes
- ➤ Popular CDN: Cloudflare, Akamai, Amazon CloudFront, Fastly and Google

## Linking to a jQuery file on a CDN

• By simply including CDN source file link.

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## jQuery Syntax

- The jQuery syntax is tailor-made for selecting HTML elements and performing some action on the element(s).
- Basic syntax is: \$(selector).action()
- A \$ sign to define/access jQuery
- A (selector) to "query (or find)" HTML elements
- A jQuery action() to be performed on the element(s)

## jQuery Syntax

• Examples:

• \$(this).hide() - hides the current element.

• \$("p").hide() - hides all elements.

• \$(".test").hide() - hides all elements with class="test".

## jQuery Selectors

- jQuery selectors allow you to select and manipulate HTML element(s).
- jQuery selectors are used to "select" HTML elements based on their name, id, classes, types, attributes, values of attributes and much more.
- All selectors in jQuery start with the dollar sign and parentheses: \$().
- The jQuery element selector selects elements based on the element name. e.g. \$("p")

## jQuery Selectors

- The jQuery #id selector uses the id attribute of an HTML tag to find the specific element.
- To find an element with a specific id, write a hash character, followed by the id of the HTML element. e.g. \$("#test")
- The jQuery .class selector finds elements with a specific class.
- To find elements with a specific class, write a period character, followed by the name of the class. Eg. \$(".test")

## **jQuery Selectors**

Syntax	Description
\$("*")	Selects all elements
\$(this)	Selects the current HTML element
\$("p.intro")	Selects all  elements with class="intro"
\$("p:first")	Selects the first  element
\$("ul li:first")	Selects the first <li> element of the first <ul></ul></li>
\$("ul li:first-child")	Selects the first <li> element of every <ul></ul></li>
\$("[href]")	Selects all elements with an href attribute
\$("a[target='_blank']")	Selects all <a> elements with a target attribute value equal to "_blank"</a>
\$("a[target!='_blank']")	Selects all <a> elements with a target attribute value NOT equal to "_blank"</a>

## jQuery Filter

- The filter() method returns elements that match a certain criteria.
- This method lets you specify a criteria. Elements that do not match the criteria are removed from the selection, and those that match will be returned.
- This method is often used to narrow down the search for an element in a group of selected elements.
- Syntax: \$(selector).filter(criteria,function(index))
- Coding Example

## jQuery Filter

Parameter	Description
criteria	Optional. Specifies a selector expression, a jQuery object or one or more elements to be returned from a group of selected elements.  Tip: To specify multiple criteria, use comma.
function(index)	•Optional. Specifies a function to run for each element in the set. If it returns true, the element is kept. Otherwise, the element is removed. •index - The index position of the element in the set

- All the different visitors' actions that a web page can respond to are called events.
- An event represents the precise moment when something happens.
- Examples:
- > moving a mouse over an element
- > selecting a radio button
- >clicking on an element

Mouse Events	Keyboard Events	Form Events	Document/Window Events
click	keypress	submit	load
dblclick	keydown	change	resize
mouseenter	keyup	focus	scroll
mouseleave		blur	unload

- In jQuery, most DOM events have an equivalent jQuery method.
- Example -
- \$(document).ready()
- The \$(document).ready() method allows us to execute a function when the document is fully loaded. Th
- click()
- The click() method attaches an event handler function to an HTML element. The function is executed when the user clicks on the HTML element.

- Coding Example
- Some more events:
- mouseenter(): The mouseenter() method attaches an event handler function to an HTML element.
- mouseleave(): The mouseleave() method attaches an event handler function to an HTML element.
- Etc. hover(), focus(), blur()

- Hide() and Show() methods:
- ➤ With jQuery, you can hide and show HTML elements with the hide() and show() methods:

• Syntax:

- >\$(selector).hide(speed,callback);
  - \$(selector).show(speed,callback);

- Coding Example
- jQuery toggle()
- You can also toggle between hiding and showing an element with the toggle() method.
- jQuery Fading Methods
- With jQuery you can fade an element in and out of visibility.
- jQuery fade methods are :
- ➤ fadeIn()
- > fadeOut()
- fadeToggle()

fadeIn(): Coding Example

fadeOut(): Coding Example

fadeToggle(): Coding Example

- jQuery slideToggle() Method
- The jQuery slideToggle() method toggles between the slideDown() and slideUp() methods.

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- jQuery animate() Method
- The jQuery animate() method is used to create custom animations.

- Syntax
- \$(selector).animate({params}, speed, callback);

 The required params parameter defines the CSS properties to be animated.

- Coding Example(single and multiple)
- jQuery stop() Method
- The jQuery stop() method is used to stop an animation or effect before it is finished.
- ➤ Syntax:
- >\$(selector).stop(stopAll,goToEnd);
- Coding Example

## jQuery Effects, Animations and CSS

 One can write jQuery statements one at a time or may simply combine them using a technique called chaining, that allows us to run multiple jQuery commands, one after the other, on the same element(s).

 To chain an action, you simply append the action to the previous action.

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## **jQuery Practice Sheet**

## Thank You