

# Web Engineering

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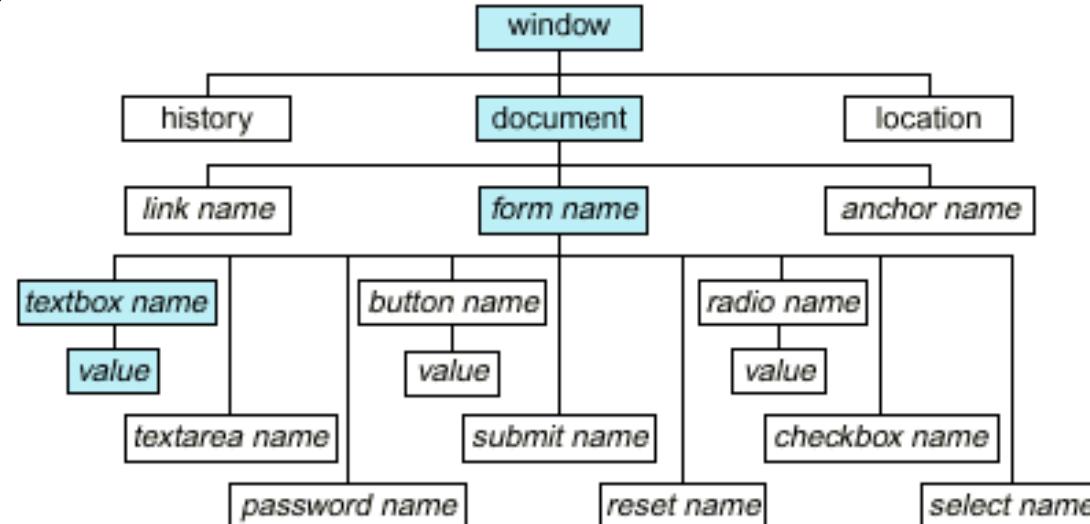
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The JavaScript Object Model

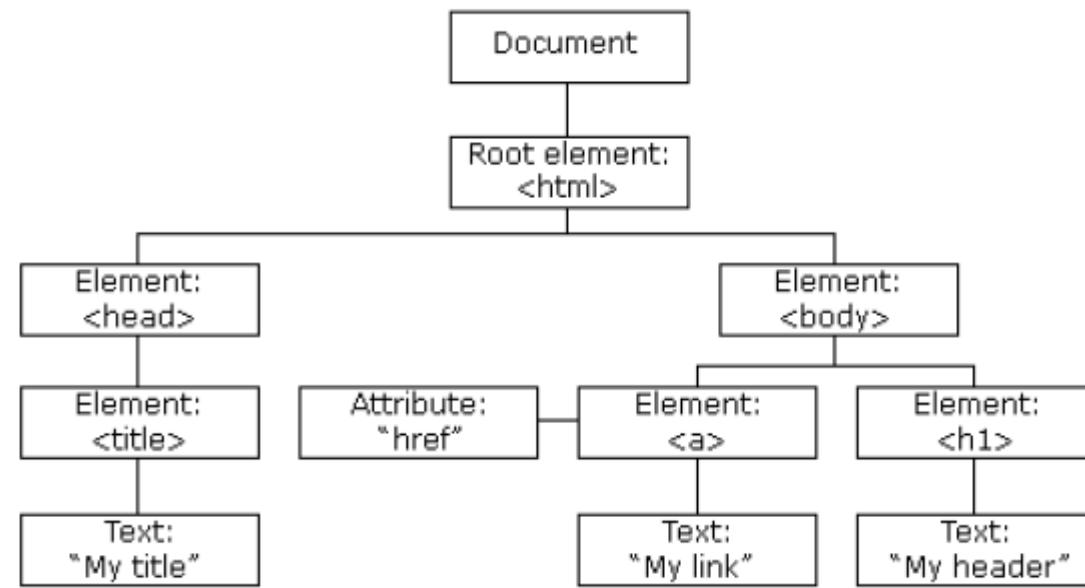
# Document Object Model (DOM)

# JavaScript HTML DOM

## The HTML DOM (Document Object Model)

- When a web page is loaded, the browser creates a Document Object Model of the page.
- The HTML DOM Tree of Objects

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title> My title</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <a href=""> My Link</a>
    <h1> My header</h1>
  </body>
</html>
```



## JavaScript HTML DOM (cont'd)

- With the object model, JavaScript gets all the power it needs to create dynamic HTML:
  - JavaScript can change all the HTML elements in the page.
  - JavaScript can change all the HTML attributes in the page.
  - JavaScript can change all the CSS styles in the page.
  - JavaScript can remove existing HTML elements and attributes.
  - JavaScript can add new HTML elements and attributes
  - JavaScript can react to all existing HTML events in the page.
  - JavaScript can create new HTML events in the page.

## What is the DOM?

- A W3C (World Wide Web Consortium) standard
- Defines a standard for accessing documents
  - "*The W3C Document Object Model(DOM) is platform and language-neutral interface that allows programs and scripts to dynamically access and update the content, structure, and style of a document.*"
- Separated into 3 different parts
  - Core DOM – standard model for all document types
  - XML DOM – standard model for XML documents
  - HTML DOM – standard model for HTML documents

# What is the HTML DOM?

- A standard object model and programming interface for HTML. It defines:
  - The HTML elements as objects
  - The properties of all HTML elements
  - The methods to access all HTML elements
  - The events for all HTML elements

- The HTML DOM can be accessed with JavaScript (and with other programming languages).
- In the DOM, all HTML elements are defined as objects.
- The programming interface is the properties and methods of each object.
  - A **property** is a value that you can get or set (like changing the content of an HTML element). (e.g., innerHTML)
  - A **method** is an action you can do (like add or deleting an HTML element). (e.g., getElementById)

## ■ The HTML DOM Document Object

- The document object represents your web page.
- The document object is the owner of all other objects in your web page.
- If you want to access objects in an HTML page, you always start with accessing the document object.

## ■ Finding HTML Elements

Method	Description
<code>document.getElementById()</code>	Find an element by element id
<code>document.getElementsByTagName()</code>	Find elements by tag name
<code>document.getElementsByClassName()</code>	Find elements by class name

- ◆ Access elements via their ID attribute

```
var elem = document.getElementById("some_id")
```

- ◆ Via the name attribute

```
var arr = document.getElementsByName("some_name")
```

- ◆ Via tag name

```
var imgTags = el.getElementsByTagName("img")
```

- ◆ Returns array of descendant <img> elements of the element "el"

- Once we access an element, we can read and write its attributes

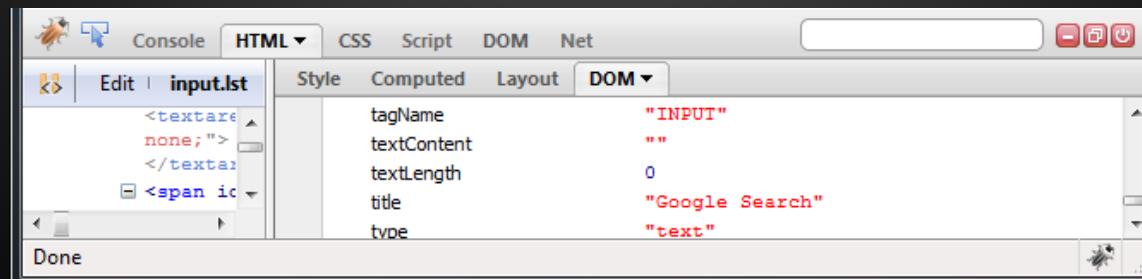
## DOM-manipulation.html

```
function change(state) {  
    var lampImg = document.getElementById("lamp");  
    lampImg.src = "lamp_" + state + ".png";  
    var statusDiv =  
        document.getElementById("statusDiv");  
    statusDiv.innerHTML = "The lamp is " + state;  
}  
...  

```

- ◆ Most of the properties are derived from the HTML attributes of the tag
  - ◆ E.g. `id`, `name`, `href`, `alt`, `title`, `src`, etc...
- ◆ `style` property – allows modifying the CSS styles of the element
  - ◆ Corresponds to the inline style of the element
  - ◆ Not the properties derived from embedded or external CSS rules
  - ◆ Example: `style.width`, `style.marginTop`, `style.backgroundImage`

- ◆ **className** – the `class` attribute of the tag
- ◆ **innerHTML** – holds all the entire HTML code inside the element
- ◆ Read-only properties with information for the current element and its state
  - ◆ **tagName, offsetWidth, offsetHeight, scrollHeight, scrollTop, nodeType, etc...**



# Accessing Elements through the DOM Tree Structure

- ◆ We can access elements in the DOM through some tree manipulation properties:
  - ◆ `element.childNodes`
  - ◆ `element.parentNode`
  - ◆ `element.nextSibling`
  - ◆ `element.previousSibling`
  - ◆ `element.firstChild`
  - ◆ `element.lastChild`

# Accessing Elements through the DOM Tree – Example

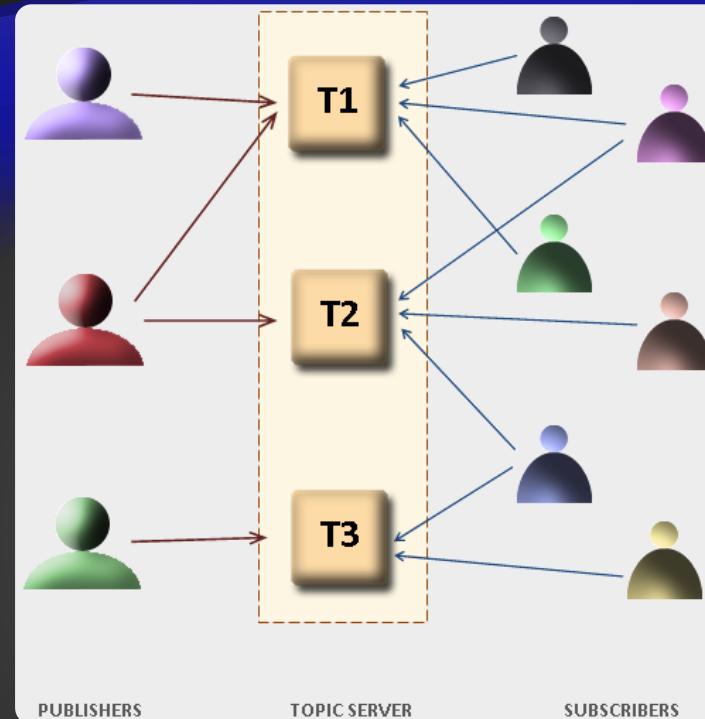
```
var el = document.getElementById('div_tag');
alert (el.childNodes[0].value);
alert (el.childNodes[1].
      getElementsByTagName('span').id);
```

...

```
<div id="div_tag">
  <input type="text" value="test text" />
  <div>
    <span id="test">test span</span>
  </div>
</div>
```

accessing-elements-demo.html

- ◆ Warning: may not return what you expected due to Browser differences



# The HTML DOM Event Model

- ◆ JavaScript can register event handlers
  - ◆ Events are fired by the Browser and are sent to the specified JavaScript event handler function
  - ◆ Can be set with HTML attributes:

```

```

- ◆ Can be accessed through the DOM:

```
var img = document.getElementById("myImage");
img.onclick = imageClicked;
```

# **The HTML DOM Event Model (2)**

- ◆ All event handlers receive one parameter
  - ◆ It brings information about the event
  - ◆ Contains the type of the event (mouse click, key press, etc.)
  - ◆ Data about the location where the event has been fired (e.g. mouse coordinates)
  - ◆ Holds a reference to the event sender
    - ◆ E.g. the button that was clicked

- Holds information about the state of [Alt], [Ctrl] and [Shift] keys
- Some browsers do not send this object, but place it in the document.event
- Some of the names of the event's object properties are browser-specific



- ◆ Mouse events:

- ◆ **onclick, onmousedown, onmouseup**
  - ◆ **onmouseover, onmouseout, onmousemove**

- ◆ Key events:

- ◆ **onkeypress, onkeydown, onkeyup**
  - ◆ Only for input fields

- ◆ Interface events:

- ◆ **onblur, onfocus**
  - ◆ **onscroll**

- ◆ Form events

- ◆ **onchange** – for input fields
  - ◆ **onsubmit**
    - ◆ Allows you to cancel a form submission
    - ◆ Useful for form validation

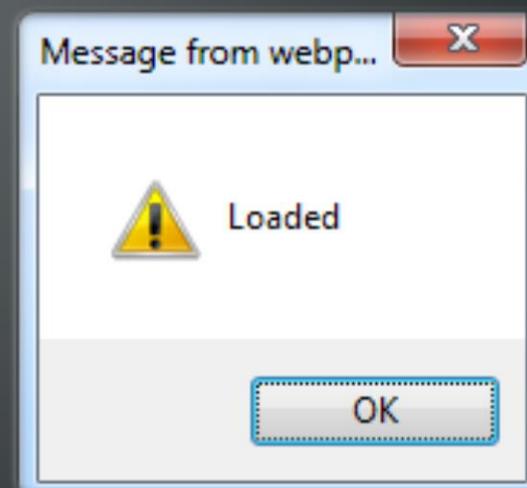
- ◆ Miscellaneous events

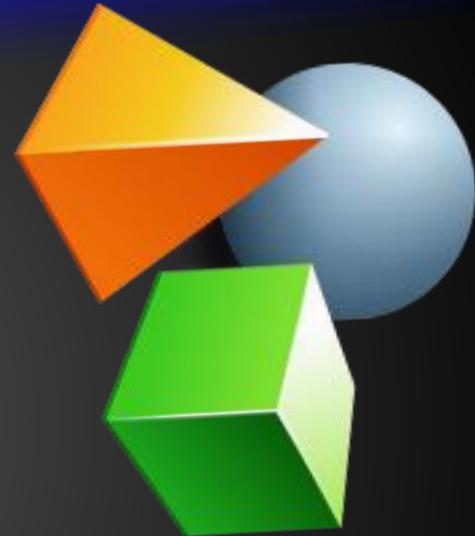
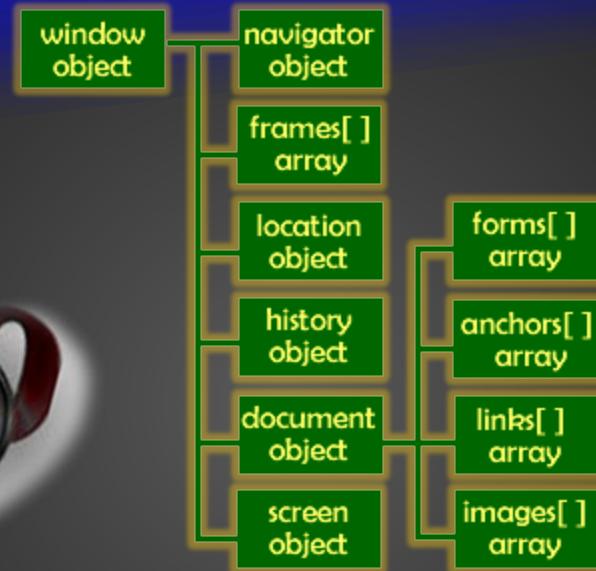
- ◆ **onload, onunload**
    - ◆ Allowed only for the `<body>` element
    - ◆ Fires when all content on the page was loaded / unloaded

- ◆ **onload event**

onload.html

```
<html>
<head>
  <script type="text/javascript">
    function greet() {
      alert("Loaded.");
    }
  </script>
</head>
<body onload="greet()" >
</body>
</html>
```



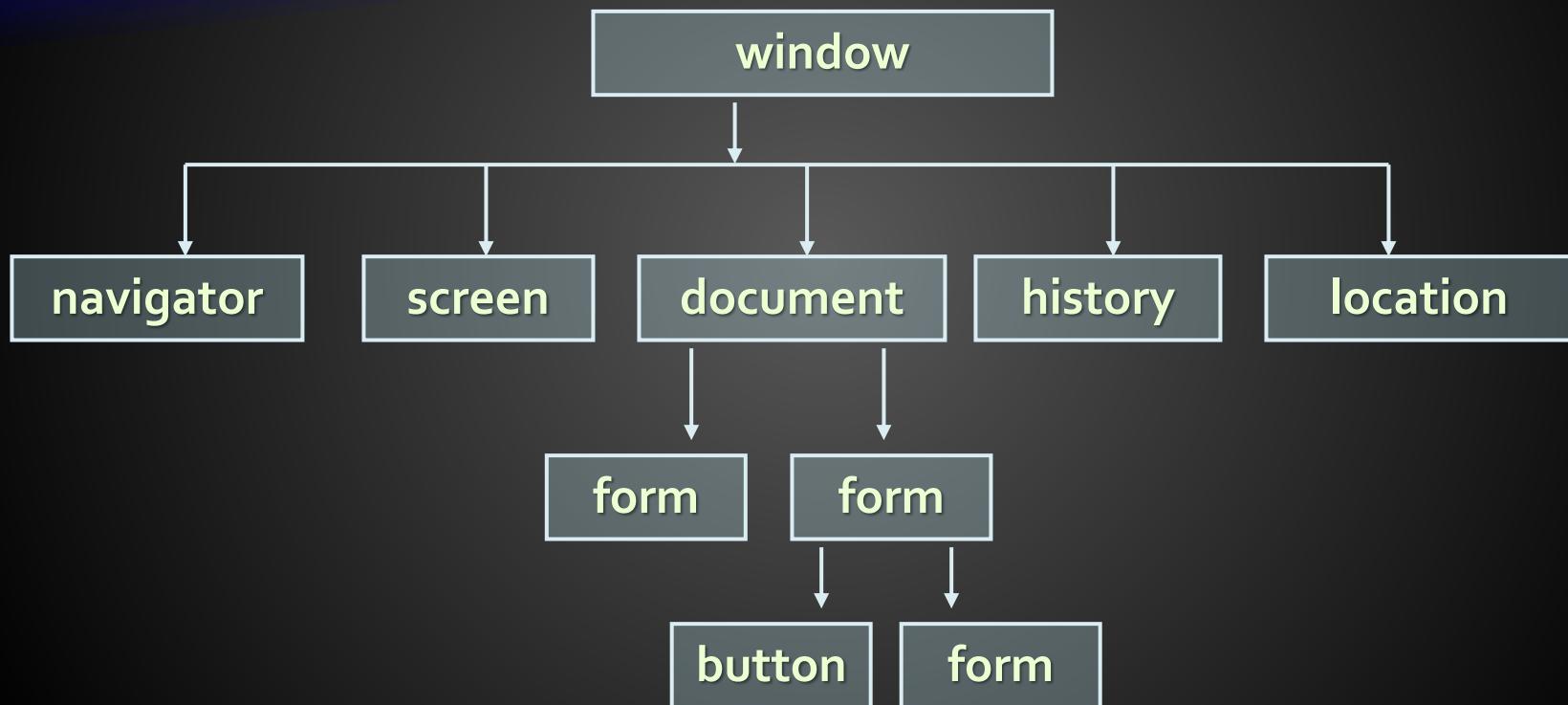


# The Built-In Browser Objects

- Brower Object Model (BOM) allows JavaScript to “talk to” the browser.
- The Browser Object Model
  - There are no official standards for the Browser Object Model.
  - Since modern browsers have implemented (almost) the same methods and properties for JavaScript interactivity, it is often referred to, as methods and properties of the BOM.

- ◆ The browser provides some read-only data via:
  - ◆ **window**
    - ◆ The top node of the DOM tree
    - ◆ Represents the browser's window
  - ◆ **document**
    - ◆ holds information the current loaded document
  - ◆ **screen**
    - ◆ Holds the user's display properties
  - ◆ **browser**
    - ◆ Holds information about the browser

# DOM Hierarchy – Example



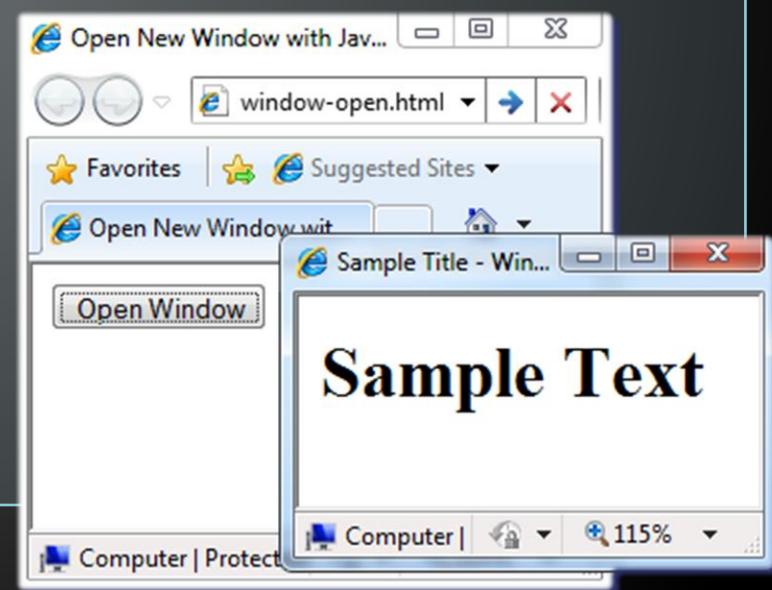
# telerik **Opening New Window – Example**

## ◆ **window.open()**

**window-open.html**

```
var newWindow = window.open("", "sampleWindow",
    "width=300, height=100, menubar=yes,
    status=yes, resizable=yes");
```

```
newWindow.document.write(
    "<html><head><title>
        Sample Title</title>
    </head><body><h1>Sample
        Text</h1></body>");  
newWindow.status =
    "Hello folks";
```



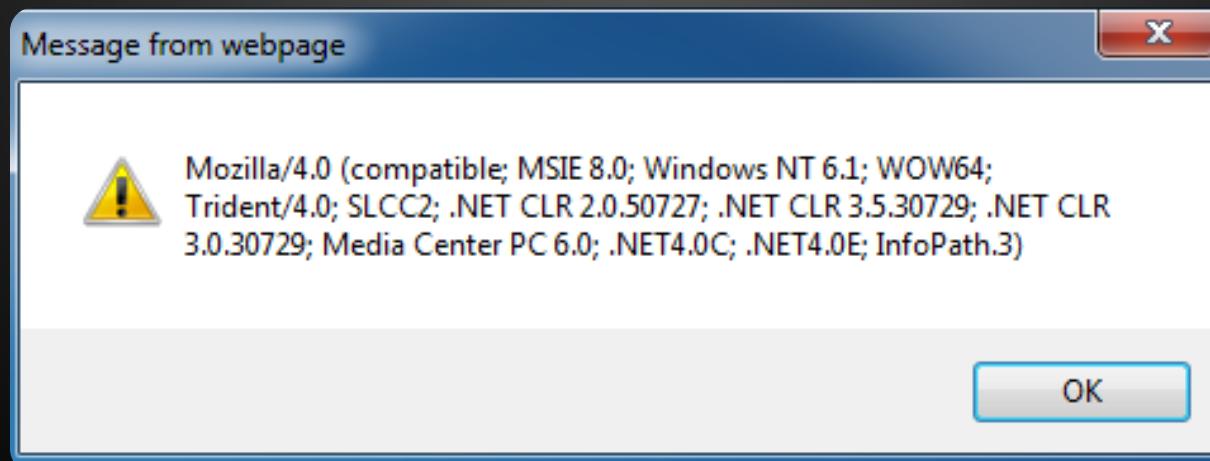
# The Navigator Object

```
alert(window.navigator.userAgent);
```

The browser window

The navigator in the browser window

The userAgent (browser ID)



- ◆ The screen object contains information about the display

```
window.moveTo(0, 0);  
x = screen.availWidth;  
y = screen.availHeight;  
window.resizeTo(x, y);
```



- ◆ document object

- ◆ Provides some built-in arrays of specific objects on the currently loaded Web page

```
document.links[0].href = "yahoo.com";
document.write(
    "This is some <b>bold text</b>");
```

- ◆ document.location

- ◆ Used to access the currently open URL or redirect the browser

```
document.location = "http://www.yahoo.com/";
```

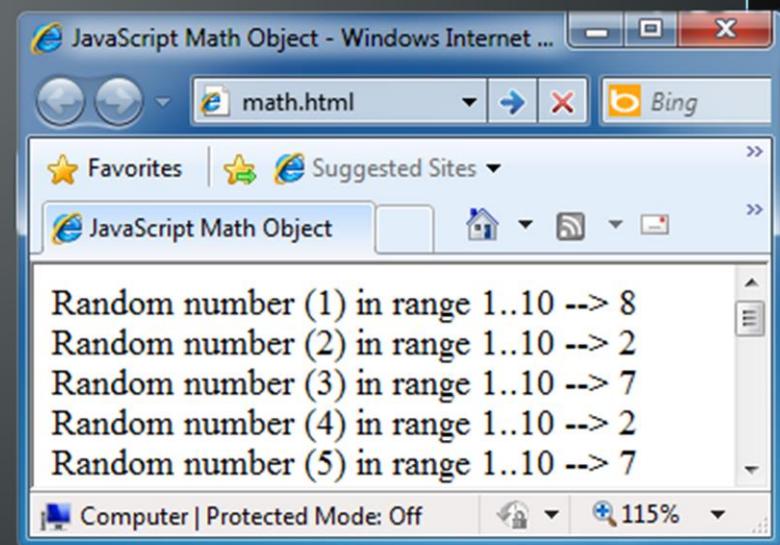
## form-validation.html

```
function checkForm()
{
    var valid = true;
    if (document.mainForm.firstName.value == "") {
        alert("Please type in your first name!");
        document.getElementById("firstNameError").
            style.display = "inline";
        valid = false;
    }
    return valid;
}
...
<form name="mainForm" onsubmit="return checkForm()">
    <input type="text" name="firstName" />
    ...
</form>
```

- ◆ The Math object provides some mathematical functions

math.html

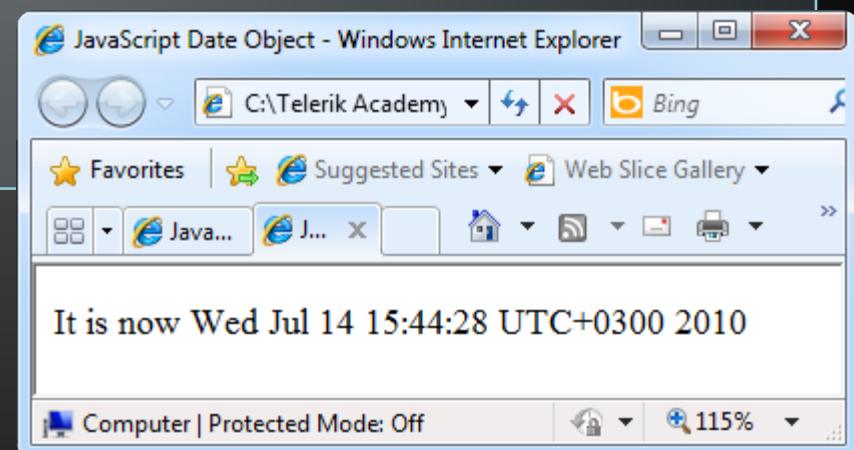
```
for (i=1; i<=20; i++) {  
    var x = Math.random();  
    x = 10*x + 1;  
    x = Math.floor(x);  
    document.write(  
        "Random number (" +  
        i + ") in range " +  
        "1..10 --> " + x +  
        "<br/>");  
}
```



- ◆ The Date object provides date / calendar functions

dates.html

```
var now = new Date();
var result = "It is now " + now;
document.getElementById("timeField")
    .innerText = result;
...
<p id="timeField"></p>
```



# Timers: setTimeout()

- ◆ Make something happen (once) after a fixed delay

```
var timer = setTimeout('bang()', 5000);
```

5 seconds after this statement executes, this function is called

```
clearTimeout(timer);
```

Cancels the timer

# Timers: setInterval()

- ◆ Make something happen repeatedly at fixed intervals

```
var timer = setInterval('clock()', 1000);
```

This function is called  
continuously per 1 second.

```
clearInterval(timer);
```

Stop the timer.

## timer-demo.html

```
<script type="text/javascript">
    function timerFunc() {
        var now = new Date();
        var hour = now.getHours();
        var min = now.getMinutes();
        var sec = now.getSeconds();
        document.getElementById("clock").value =
            "" + hour + ":" + min + ":" + sec;
    }

    setInterval('timerFunc()', 1000);
</script>

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

# Debugging JavaScript



The screenshot shows the Firebug extension for web development. The main interface has tabs for Inspect, dom.js, hasClass, toggle, onClick, and onclick. The Script tab is active, displaying a portion of the 'hasClass' function:

```
163 }
164
165 function hasClass(elt, className)
166 {
167     if (elt.className)
168     {
169         var classes = elt.className.split(" ");
170         for (var i in classes)
171         {
172             if (classes[i] == className)
173                 return true;
174         }
175     }
176 }
```

The Watch panel on the right shows the state of variables at line 172:

Variable	Value
1000+i	"10000"
this	Window joehwitt.com
className	"toggled"
classes	[ "commentLinkBox" ]
elt	div.commentLinkBox
id	"
className	"commentLinkBox"
nodeType	1
tagName	"DIV"
nodeName	"DIV"
localName	"DIV"
prefix	null
namespace	null

JavaScript Debugging

- ◆ Modern browsers have JavaScript console where errors in scripts are reported
  - ◆ Errors may differ across browsers
- ◆ Several tools to debug JavaScript
  - ◆ Microsoft Script Editor
    - ◆ Add-on for Internet Explorer
    - ◆ Supports breakpoints, watches
    - ◆ JavaScript statement debugger; opens the script editor

- ◆ Firebug – Firefox add-on for debugging JavaScript, CSS, HTML
  - Supports breakpoints, watches, JavaScript console editor
  - Very useful for CSS and HTML too
    - You can edit all the document real-time: CSS, HTML, etc
    - Shows how CSS rules apply to element
  - Shows Ajax requests and responses
  - Firebug is written mostly in JavaScript

The screenshot shows the Firebug developer toolbar interface. The left pane, titled "HTML", displays the DOM tree of the page. The right pane, titled "Style", shows the CSS rules applied to the selected element.

**HTML Panel:**

```
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
  <head>
  <body>
    <div id="content">
      <h1>Debugging CSS, useful tools</h1>
      <div class="box0">
        <h2>Tools that are already there</h2>
        <p>
          <p class="c" style="font-style: italic; font-weight: 800;">Mozilla DOM inspector</p>
          <p class="c">
            <p class="c" style="font-style: italic; font-weight: 800;">Mozilla DOM inspector</p>
```

**Style Panel:**

```
h1 {                                                 debugcss.css (line 158)
  color: #6600CC;
  font-family: "Courier
New", Courier, monospace, sans-serif;
  font-size: 2em;
  font-weight: 800;
  margin-left: 20px;
  text-align: center;
}

Inherited from body
body {                                                 debugcss.css (line 1)
  color: #0A00B0;
  font-family: "times new
roman", Geneva, Arial, Helvetica, sans
  font-size: 1em;
  font-size-adjust: none;
```

- ◆ The **console** object exists only if there is a debugging tool that supports it
  - ◆ Used to write log messages at runtime
- ◆ Methods of the **console** object:
  - ◆ **debug(message)**
  - ◆ **info(message)**
  - ◆ **log(message)**
  - ◆ **warn(message)**
  - ◆ **error(message)**

## Questions?

1. Create an HTML page that has two text fields (first name and last name) and a button. When the user clicks the button, a message should show the text in the text fields followed by the current time.
2. Create a Web page that asks the user about his name and says goodbye to him when leaving the page.
3. Modify the previous HTML page to have a text field for email address and on clicking the button check if the email is valid (it should follow the format <something>@<host>. <domain>).
4. Create a Web page that shows 20 <div> elements with random location, size and color.

## 5. Create a drop-down menu

- Use table for the main menu blocks
- Use hidden <DIV> elements (display: none; position:absolute; top:30px)
- Use JavaScript and onmouseover and onmouseout event to change display: none/block



6. Create a DHTML page that has `<div>` containing a text that scrolls from right to left automatically
  - Use `setInterval()` function to move the text at an interval of 500 ms
  - Use `overflow:hidden` for the `<div>`
  - Use `scrollLeft` and `scrollWidth` properties of the `<div>` element