

WHAT IS A DOM



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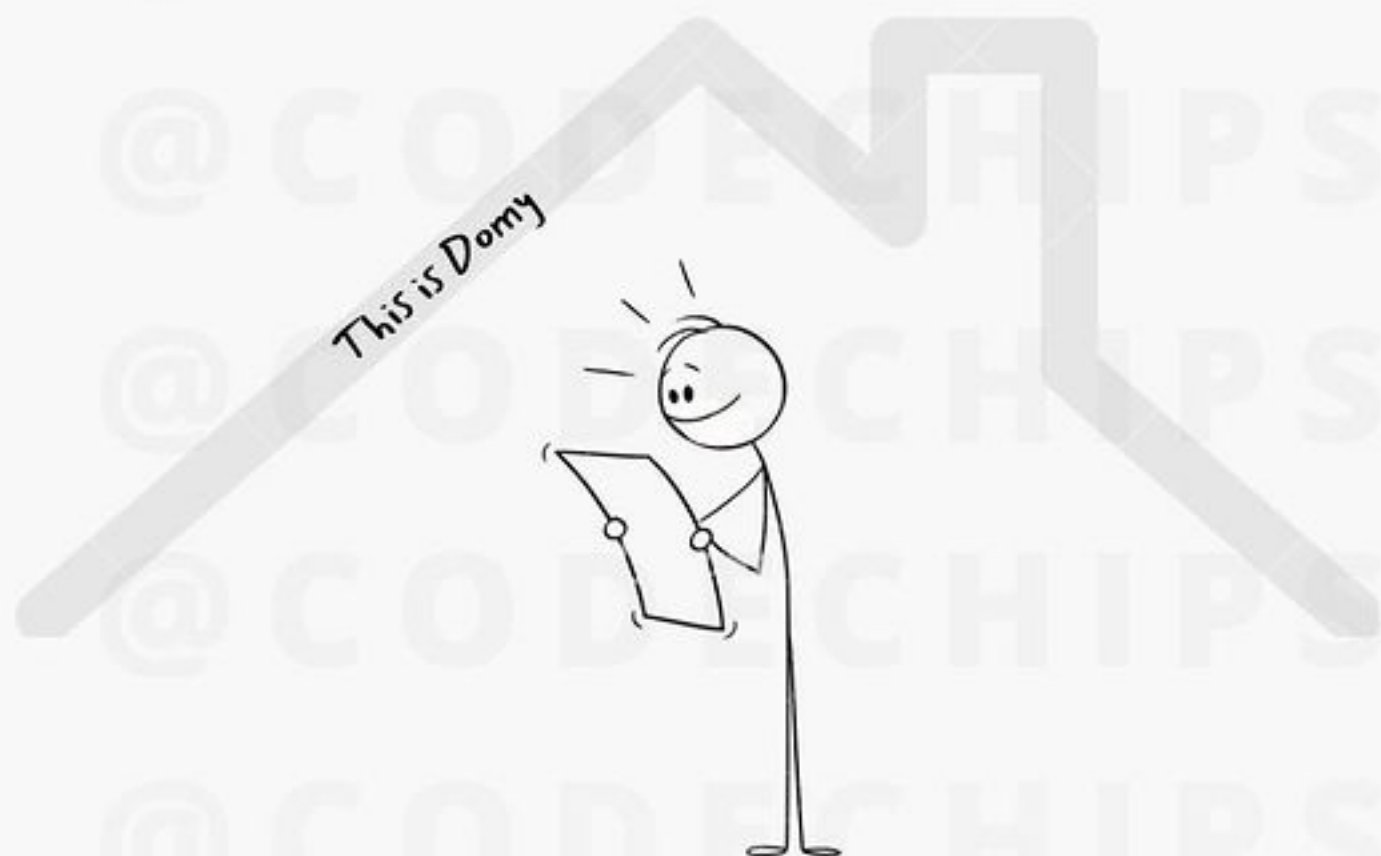


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Domy found a Document about his
Family Members in the loft



Family document :P

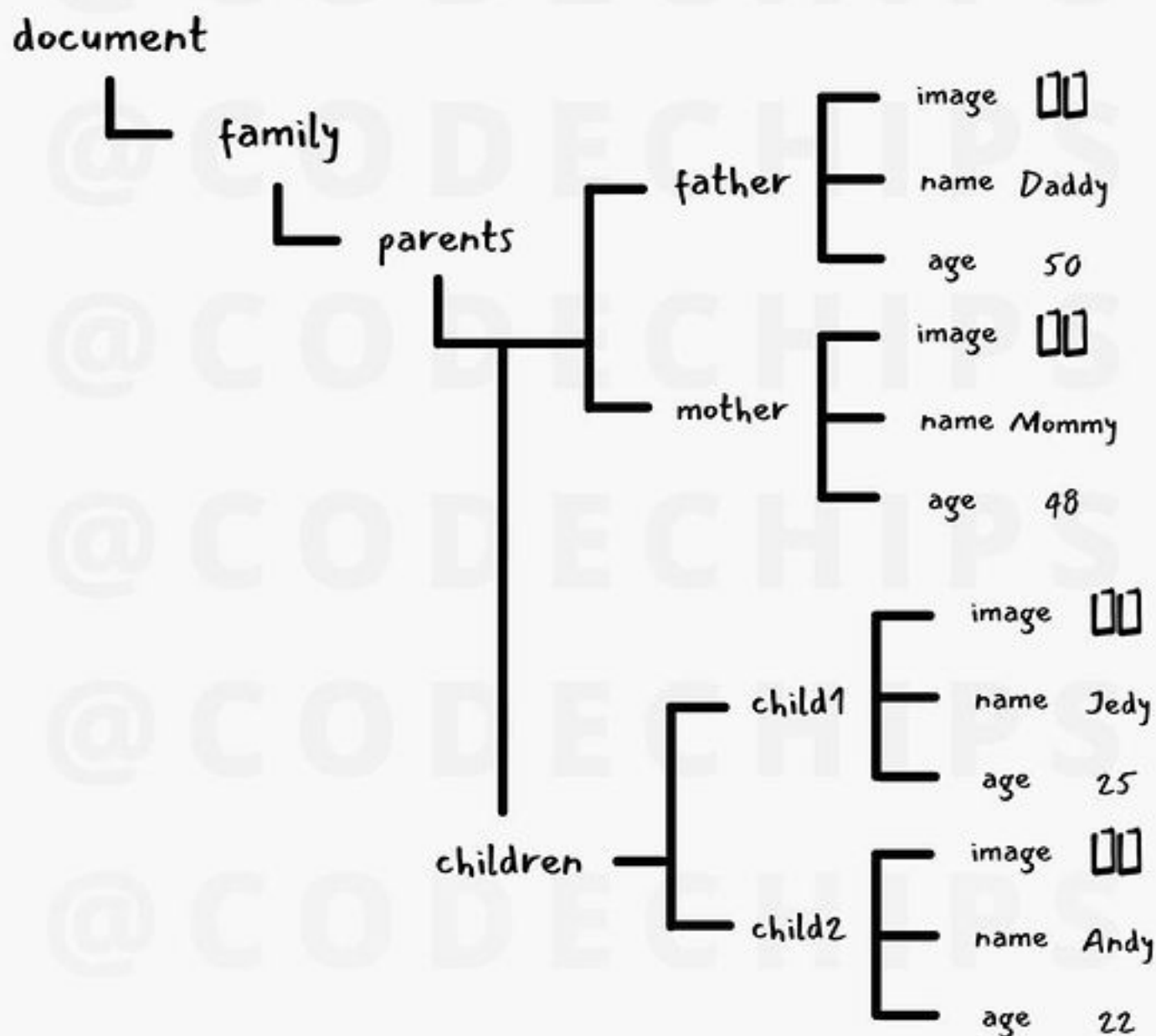


```
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  <parents>
    <father>
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      <name>Daddy</name>
      <age>50</age>
    </father>
    <mother>
      <image>□□</image>
      <name>Mommy</name>
      <age>48</age>
    </mother>
    <children>
      <child1>
        <image>□□</image>
        <name>Jedy</name>
        <age>25</age>
      </child1>
      <child2>
        <image>□□</image>
        <name>Andy</name>
        <age>22</age>
      </child2>
    </children>
  </parents>
</family>
```





Domy arranged them in a Tree format
for representation and accessibility





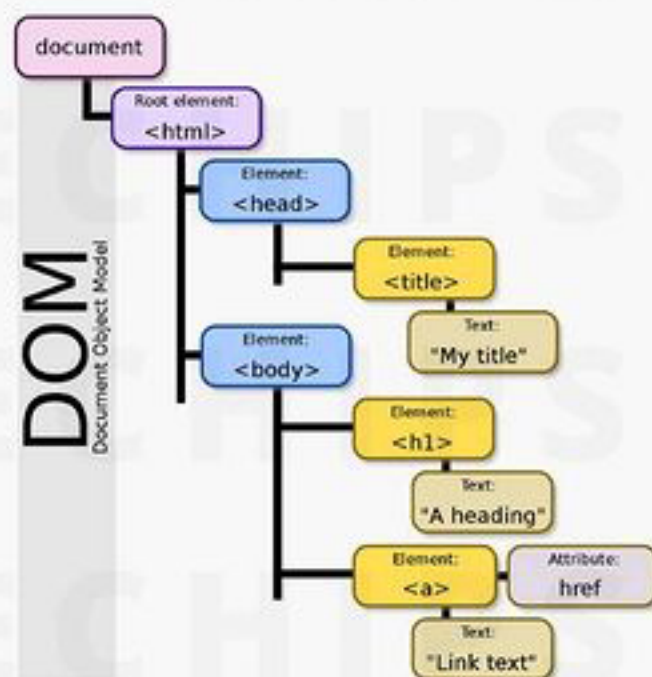
This is the same way DOM works in a webpage

The Document Object Model (DOM)
is a **programming interface** for HTML
and XML documents



It defines the logical structure of documents as a tree-like representation using series of nodes and objects

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>My Title</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>A heading</h1>
    <a href="#">Link text</a>
  </body>
</html>
```





How is DOM useful ?

With the Document Object Model, programmers can create and build documents, navigate their structure, and add, modify, or delete elements and content



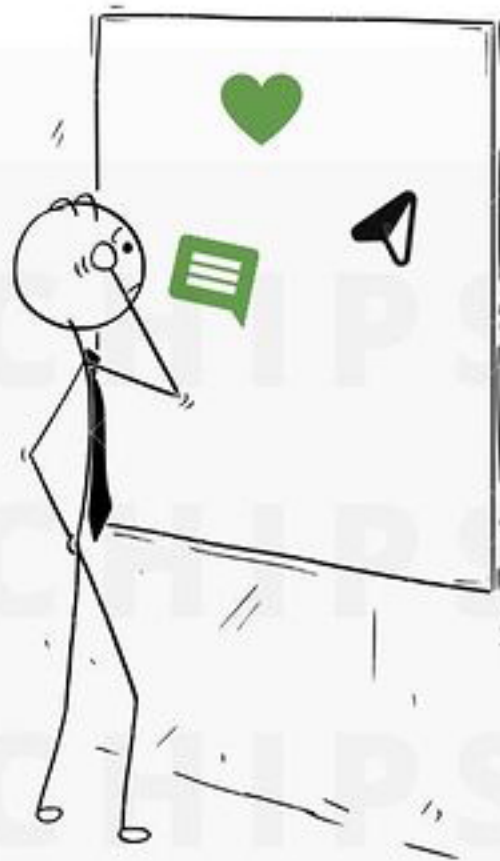
How it is done ?

Javascript interprets DOM easily i.e javascript can't understand the tags(<h1></h1>) in HTML document but can understand object h1 in DOM.

Now, Javascript can access each of the objects (h1, p, etc) by using different functions.

few essential DOM
methods are

- `getElementId`
- `getElementsByTagName`
- `Node`
- `createElement`
- `appendChild`
- `removeChild`
- `getAttribute`
- `setAttribute`
- `innerHTML`
- `document.forms`



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