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courseMaterial.4



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- ▶ review debugging assignment
- scope
- closure



courseMaterial4.Objectives

course material

- ▶ BASIC object overview
- introduction to the Document Object Module (DOM)
- javascript events & callbacks (listeners and handler)
- practice all the new materials

assignment

• fine tune the concepts from the course materials



courseMaterial.4 basic.Objects

arrays and objects

- javaScript, as an object-oriented language, was designed to have rich, mutable (i.e. returning an array of strings from a method) objects
- objects are basically collections of keys and values for storing data
- arrays and objects are both used to store multiple values
- arrays vs objects:
 - 1. arrays store by numerical index
 - 2. objects store by a **key index**
 - keys in objects are names (similar to variables), used to index a value inside the object



setting an objects value

- the most efficient way to create objects is by key: value pairings, also known as associative pairing
- similar to making an array, we declare the object's properties inside the literal, separating by comma...



- setting an objects value (setters)
 - accessing or setting values can be done just like array access:

> setting the key's value can also be done with *dot syntax:*

```
house.location = 'Winter Park, FL';

key value
```



nested objects

> similar to arrays, we can nest objects inside objects

```
person = {birthday:{month:02, day:12}, name:"bond"}; //
setter

person["birthday"]["month"]; //returns '02' (getter)

person.birthday.month; //dot notation - returns '02' (getter)
```

methods and properties

```
var identifier = {};
```

- objects are useful primarily for properties and methods:
 - properties are variable/keys that belong to an object only
 - methods are function/keys that belong to the object only
 - these members are the foundation of an oop model



• in this example, we first initialize the object, then we created 2 properties for the object, and a method called sayHello - notice that the method is being created by an assignment operator, just like the properties

```
fsStudent.sayHello();
```



 we can also access the methods and properties of an object using [], by using their name as a string - all of the below are valid:

- new constructor using { }
 - we can also use the object literal syntax to create a new object and fill it at the same time
 - the new constructor is { }.. here's the same object as the previous slide..

```
var fsStudent = {
   age: 22,
   career: "Web Dev",
   sayHello: function(){
      alert("Hi!");
   }
};
```

- in this syntax, properties and methods are assigned using key:value pairings
- similar to an array, each new
 key:value pair is separated with a
 comma



accessing object's properties

 also keep in mind that since the keys can be strings, you could access the keys using string variables

```
var fsStudent = {
   age: 22,
    career: "Web Dev",
};
var myProp = "age";
```

fsStudent[myProp]

fsStudent["age"]



for in loop

- although JavaScript lacks a for-each loop, we do have for-in
- the for in statement lets us loop over all of the properties in an object

```
var myObj = {...};

for (var key in myObj) {
    alert( myObj[key] );
};
```



for in loop - example

```
var students
={name:"JamesBond",gender:"male",job:"student"};

for(var key in students){
   console.log('Key Name: ', key);
   console.log('Value of the key[',key,']:
',students[key]);
};
```

- data types are all objects
 - most strictly-typed languages have clear separations in their data types and classical behavior
 - JavaScript is simpler:
 - numbers, strings, and booleans are the only separate data types in JavaScript
 - objects, arrays, regular expressions, and functions are all considered to be objects.
 - in addition, anything that is not an object, acts like an object

```
myStr = 'James Bond';
alert(myStr.length) //will return a 10
```



object literals

let's re-examine our data types - previously, we used the most common constructor for creating our variables, which is the **literal** syntax:

```
var myNum = 5;
```

we could also create this variable using its constructor equivalent:

```
var myNum = new Number(5);
```

both have the same result - the literal syntax is preferable



object constructors

using these constructors, we can also convert from one data type to another

values as objects

- because these values act as objects, the data types also have methods and properties, just like an object...
- we've already looked at one, the .length property, which can be used on both strings and arrays

literals are objects

because the literals being created are also objects, we can use methods and properties directly on the literals themselves...

```
alert( "bond 007".length ); //returns a 8
```

more advance

an array of objects, inside of an object

```
var obj1 = {
    schoolName:'Full Sail',
    students:[
    {name:'Jane Doe', GPA:2.6},
        {name:'Albert Einstein', GPA:4.0},
        {name:'James Bond', GPA:3.9}
    ]
};
console.log(obj1.students.length);
```

courseMaterial.4 intro.DOM

- what is the Document Object Model (DOM)?
 - the DOM is an API that every browser has
 - ▶ it is not a specification of javascript
 - the DOM exposes access to all the elements of a web document (including the browser window itself)



DOM history

- ▶ Netscape created the original "browser API", which Microsoft copied for IE
- ▶ Netscape and IE had different API models, so W3C stepped in
- W3C drew up the standards they coined as "The Document Object Model" (DOM for short)
- Netscape's original API was included, and is now referred to as Legacy DOM



W3C's DOM

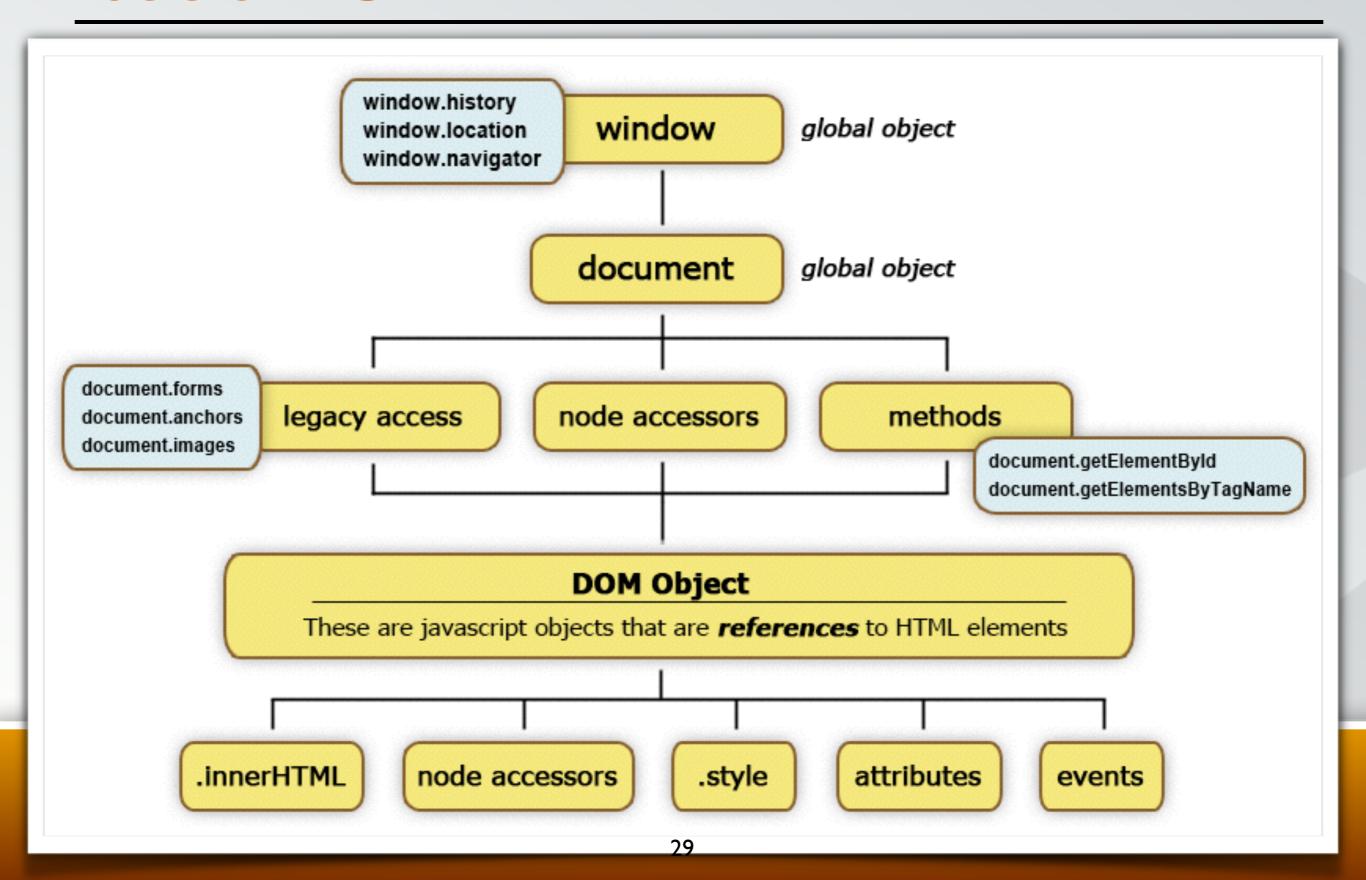
- ▶ the current DOM version is Level 3 (2004), however most IE versions are missing components, and IE still has several proprietary methods
- for our purposes this month, we will focus on cross-browser only
- we're also not going to worry about IE6 or earlier
- fun fact: IE was the first to implement W3C DOM specs (same with CSS)



W3C's DOM API

- there are 3 key concepts for what the DOM API provides us:
 - ▶ XML tree: every html element of the page is mapped into XML nodes
 - API: the API provides methods and properties for creating elements and searching for existing html elements
 - Document Object References: the DOM allows JavaScript to treat any html element as an object - hence, the "Document Object Model"





"window" object

- the window object represents an open window in a browser
- Note: there is no public standard that applies to the window object, but all major browsers support it
- http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/obj_window.asp



"document" object

- each HTML document loaded into a browser window becomes a document object
- the document object provides access to ALL HTML elements on a page, from within a script
- ▶ **Tip:** The document object is also part of the Window object, and can be accessed through the window.document property.
- Note: The document object can also use the properties and methods of the Node object.
- http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_document.asp



- "node" object
 - the node object represents a node in the HTML document
 - a node in an HTML document is:
 - the document
 - an element
 - an attribute
 - text
 - a comment
 - http://www.w3schools.com/jsref/dom_obj_node.asp



key concepts

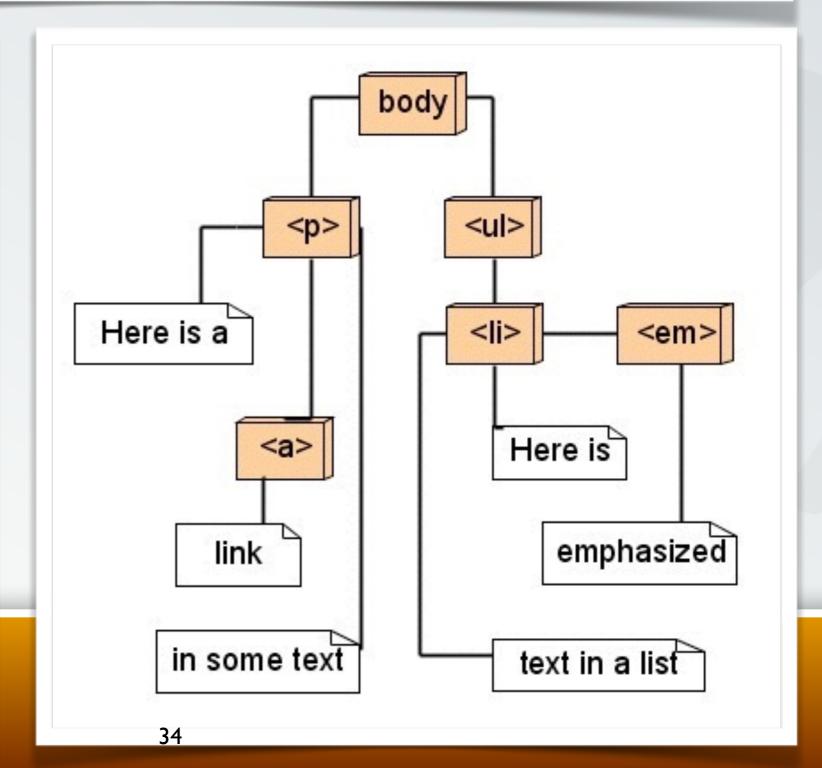
- using the DOM API gives us DOM elements as object references
- we'll target html elements using the DOM search methods
- begin our searches usually at an ID element
 - with a DOM reference, .innerHTML contains a string of its contents
 - access attributes of the html tag as object properties.
 - in event handlers, use **return false** to prevent browser defaults



```
<body>
  Here is a <a href="">link</a> in some text.
  >li>Here is<em>emphasized</em>text in a list.

  </body>
```

```
<body>
 >
   Here is a
   <a href="">
    link
   </a>
   in some text.
 <
     Here is
     <em>
      emphasized
     </em>
     text in a list.
   </body>
```



```
ul id="nav">
```

DOM Searching

> searches by id can only return 1 element

```
var obj = document.getElementById("#nav");
```

firebug

▶ However, querySelectorAll search will always return an array of results

```
var obj = document.querySelectorAll("#nav li");
```

firebug

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DOM Searching

> searches by ID or class and only returns the first1 element: querySelector

```
var obj = document.querySelector("#nav");
```

▶ the getElementsByTagName search will always return an array of results

```
var obj = document.getElementsByTagName("a");
```



basic.DOM

- **Key terms** to keep in mind:
- document object model (DOM)
- ▶ DOM API: XML Nodes, Search Methods, HTML as Object References
- DOM Collections
- document.getElementById
- document.getElementsByTagName
- document.querySelectorAll
- document.querySelector
- element.innerHTML
- DOM Events / Listeners & Handlers



basic.DOM

Traversal

- "Traversing" means finding other html elements from already selected element(s)
- we use the node object for traversing, examples
 - firstChild
 - lastChild
 - parentNode
 - nextSibling
 - previousSibling
 - childNodes



basic.DOM

DOM Manipulation

- ▶ HTML elements also have attributes, things like "href", "src", "title", etc
- ▶ to access these attributes, there are specific setter/getter methods
 - setAttribute
 - syntax: element.setAttribute(attr, value)
 - always initializes an attribute to a new value
 - getAttribute
 - syntax: element.getAttribute(attr)
 - always returns a string



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javascript.Events

listener and handler

- there are 2 key aspects to any event, the event listener and the event handler
 - 1. the event listener is an property associated with the DOM that waits for the event trigger to occur (i.e click, mouseover), and then fires the event handler
 - 2. the event handler is the function that will execute when the event is fired



event.Listener

- using dot syntax, the *listener* for any element is available as a property
- the name of the listener is prefixed by word "on" (see the event name in the next slide), and must be all lowercase

```
element.onclick //click listener

element.onmousemove //mousemove listener
```



Event Name	Usable Elements	Triggered By
change	input, select, textarea	element content has been changed, fires when element loses focus
focus	label, input, select, textarea, button	element is clicked on or tabbed to
blur	label, input, select, textarea, button	element loses focus
resize	window	user resizes window
scroll	window	user scrolls the window
submit	form	user clicks a "submit" input or presses Enter in a text field
keyup	focused element	user releases a keypress
keydown	focused element	user begins a keypress
mouseover	any visible element	mouse moves onto
mouseout	any visible element	mouse moves off of
mousedown	any visible element	mouse button depressed
mouseup	any visible element	mouse button released
mousemove	any visible element	mouse moves anywhere on the element
click	any visible element	user clicks the element

click event

- the click event will be the most used event
- there are 2 different click events .onclick and .addEventListener

```
element.onclick = myFn;
```

```
element.addEventListener('click', myFn, false);
```



click event (.onclick)

- used where ONLY ONE click event is used the .onclick will NOT work with multiple .onclick events in a single .js file
- the .onclick works with all browsers, .addEventListener does not work in older versions of Internet Explorer, which uses .attachEvent instead.

click event (.addEventListener)

- used where multiple click events are needed the .addEventListener will work with multiple click events in a single .js file
- the .addEventListener does not work in older versions of Internet Explorer (before version 9)
- works on any DOM element, not just HTML elements



event.Handler

- the handler for any element is simply a function
- you can use a function by reference, or use a function literal

```
elementObj.onclick = myFn;
```

or

```
elementObj.onclick = function(){};
```

```
element.addEventListener('click', myFn, false);
```

or

```
element.addEventListener('click', function(){};, false);
```



event.Object

- every event listener automatically passes an event object with information about the event.
- the handler must receive it as an argument.
- many developers will use the e as the function parameter

```
document.getElementById("uniqueID").onclick = function(e){
  console.log(e);
};
```

```
var myFn = function(e){};
element.addEventListener('click', myFn, false);
```

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browser defaults

- for most events, the browser will trigger a default action for example, hovering over any element will create a tooltip out of the "title" or "alt" attribute if it exists
- the one we care the most about is the <a> default action, which tells the window to go to the anchor's href location
- the window waits for a *return* to take place before calling the default
 - an .onclick event function should always return false, and call preventDefault()

```
document.getElementById("unique").onclick =
function(e){
  e.preventDefault();
  return false;
};
```



browser defaults

 an .addEventListener event function should always return false , and call preventDefault()

```
var myFn = function(e){};
  e.preventDefault();
  return false;
};
element.addEventListener('click', myFn, false);
```

e.stopPropagation();	calling this method from inside an event handler will prevent the <i>Bubbling Phase</i> from triggering other events
e.preventDefault();	calling this method from inside an event handler will prevent the browser's default action (such as following an href or the <form> action)</form>

• unless you specifically want bubbling to occur, using return false is the safest bet.





Assignment / Goal 4

- Goal4: Assignment: The Duel Part III
 - You will use the same files you used for the Duel Part 2, for this assignment.
 See FSO for the assignment instruction.
- Goal4: Assignment: Guessing Game
 - Log into FSO. This is where all your assignment files will be located as well as Rubrics and assignment instructions
- Commit your completed work into GitHub
 - As part of your grade you will need at least 6 reasonable GIT commits for each assignment.
- In FSO there is an announcement with "Course Schedule & Details" in the title, in that announcement you will see a "Schedule" link which has the due dates for assignments.