

# JavaScript: Document Object Model

Persistent Interactive | Persistent University



## **Key learning points:**

- DOM representation of HTML file
- Node
  - types
  - properties
  - methods
- Selecting Elements using id, name & tag name
- DOM API
- Overview of Browser Object Model



#### **HTML DOM**

- Defines a standard to access and manipulate HTML pages
- Modify element properties and data within the element
- Enables to dynamically create, manipulate and delete HTML elements
- Platform and language independent

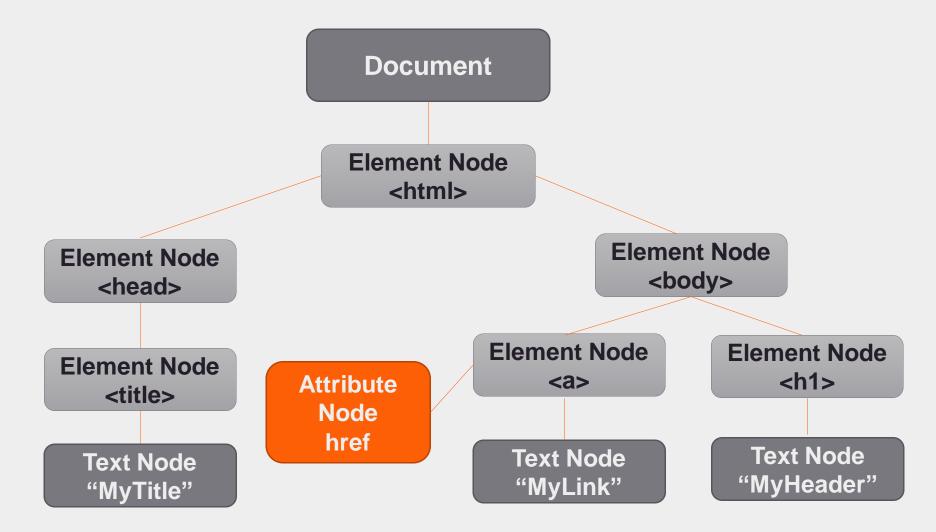


## Sample HTML file

```
<html>
         <head>
                  <title>MyTitle</title>
         </head>
         <body>
                  <h1>My Header </h1>
                  <a href="Test.html">My
                  Link </a>
         </body>
</html>
```



#### **DOM Structure**





## **Node Types**

Element type	Description	NodeType
Element Node	Represents an element.	1
Attribute Node	Represents an attribute.	2
Text Node	Represents textual content in an element or attribute.	3
Comment Node	Represents a comment.	8
Document Node	Represents the entire document (the root-node of the DOM tree).	9



## **Using the Document Object**

Writes data to the page

```
<html>
<body>
<br/>
<script type="text/javascript">
document.write("Hello World!")
</script>
</body>
</html>
```



## Properties of a node

Property	Description
nodeName	Returns the name of a node Eg: IMG, H1,DIV
nodeType	Returns the type of node as numerical value.  Eg: All element nodes: 1  All attribute nodes: 2
nodeValue	Sets or returns the value of a text node Eg: Paragraph data



## **Different Ways of Selecting Elements**

document.getElementById('id');

document.getElementsByName('name');

document.getElementsByTagName('tagname');



## Use getElementById()

```
Accessing
  by id
   Link
  Element
  ld for
   link
```

```
<html>
  <head>
     <script type="text/javascript">
         window.onload=function()
                  varlink=
                  document.getElementById("link1")
     </script>
 </head>
 <body>
         <a id="link1" href="Test.html" />My Link</a>
  </body>
</html>
```



## **Use getElementsByName()**

Array of input elements

Accessing by name

Name attribute

```
<head>
     <script type="text/javascript">
    window.onload=function() {
     var inputs
        =document.getElementsByName("course)
      </script>
</head>
<body>
        <input type = "text" name="course"/>
        <input type = "text" name="course" />
</body>
```



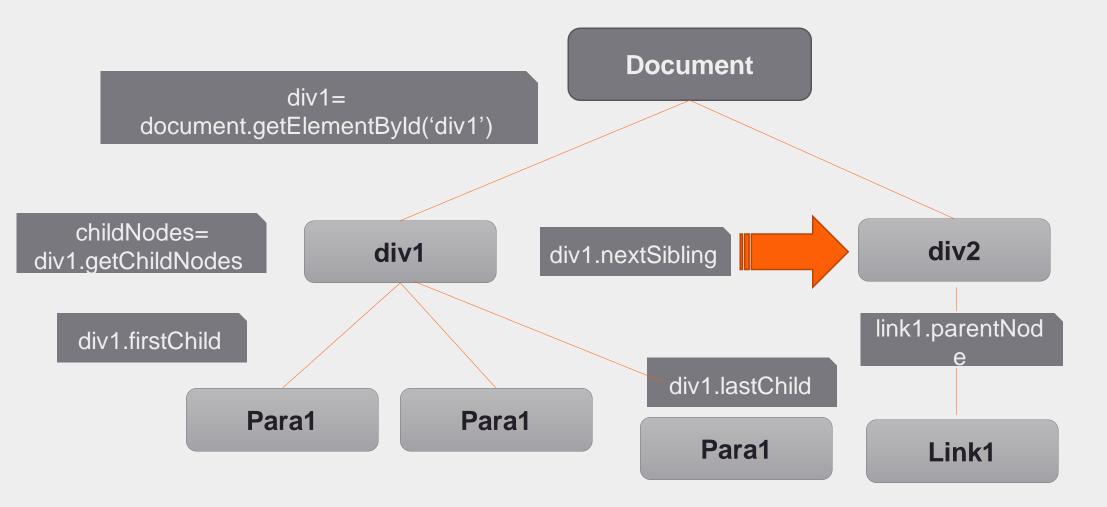
## Use getElementsByTagName()

Array of para elements

Accessin g by tag name

```
<html>
  <head>
    <script type="text/javascript">
        window.onload=function()
                var
allParas=document.getElementsByTagName("p")
    </script>
 </head>
 <body>
         Paragraph 1
         Paragraph 2
         Paragraph 3
  </body>
</html>
```

#### **DOM Structure**





## More Properties of a node

Property	Description
parentNode	Returns the parent node
childNodes	Returns an array of child nodes
firstChild	Returns the first child of a node
lastChild	Returns the last child of a node
previousSibling	Returns the previous node at the same level
nextSibling	Returns the next node at the same level



## **Methods to create nodes**

	Method	Description
	createElement('tag')	Creates new Element with the given tag
	createTextNode('data')	Creates a text node with some data
	appendChild(newChild)	Appends a new child node to a parent node
$\rightarrow$	insertBefore(newChild,referenceNode)	Inserts a new child node before a specified, existing, child node
	replaceChild(newChild, oldChild)	Replaces a child node

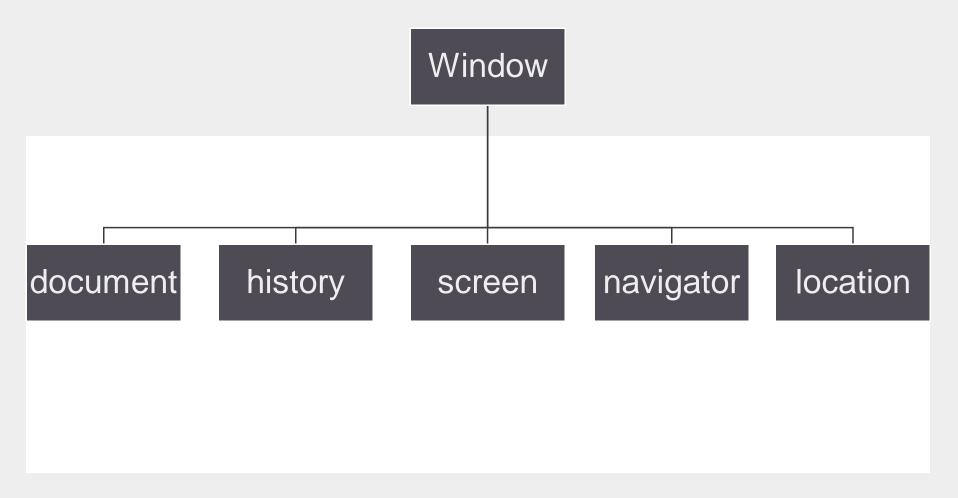


## Other Methods of a node

Method	Description
removeChild(Child)	Removes a child node
hasChildNodes()	Returns true/false if a node has any child nodes
hasAttributes()	Returns true/false if a node has any attributes
setAttribute('prop','value')	Sets the attribute
getAttribute('prop')	Gets the value for a attribute
removeAttribute('prop')	Removes an attribute



## **Overview - Browser Object Model**





## **Browser Objects**

- Window object
  - Represents window in browser
  - Global Object of browser
  - Navigation & Opening windows
  - System dialogs
  - Intervals and Timeouts
  - Window sizing & positioning
- History object
  - Represents user navigation history
  - Each browser window, tab & frame has its own history object
  - Can navigate backward or forward without knowing exact url



### **Browser Objects continued..**

- Screen object
  - Information about user screen like width, height etc
  - Its properties are different for different browsers
  - Less programmatic use
- Navigator object
  - Information about client's browser like name, version, platform etc
  - Detecting plugins
- Location object
  - Information about current page
  - Redirect to new page



## **Summary: Session#**

With this we have come to an end of our session, where we discussed:

- DOM representation of HTML file
- Node Types and different ways of selecting elements
- Properties and methods of a node

At the end of this session, we expect you to:

- Understand concepts related to HTML DOM & its API
- Apply these concepts as per requirement



# **Appendix**

- References
- Key Contacts

#### **Reference Material: Books**

- Head First JavaScript Programming
  - By: Eric T. Freeman; Elisabeth Robson
  - Publisher: O'Reilly Media, Inc.

- Professional: JavaScript® for Web Developers
  - By: Nicholas C. Zakas
  - Publisher: Wrox



### **Key Contacts**

# **Persistent University**

Tarun Kr. Joshi

tarun\_joshi@persistent.co.in

Priya Singh

priya\_singh@persistent.co.in

Shubhangi Kelkar

shubhangi kelkar@persistent.co.in





# Thank you!

Persistent Interactive | Persistent University

