#### IN4MATX 133: User Interface Software

Lecture 6:
DOM Manipulation &
Package Management

# Today's goals

#### By the end of today, you should be able to...

- Describe the different roles JavaScript has in client-side and server-side development
- Explain the role of the Document Object Model (DOM)
- Write code which edits the DOM using built-in JavaScript functions
- Describe the role of package managers in web development
- Use the Node Package Manager (NPM) to install packages

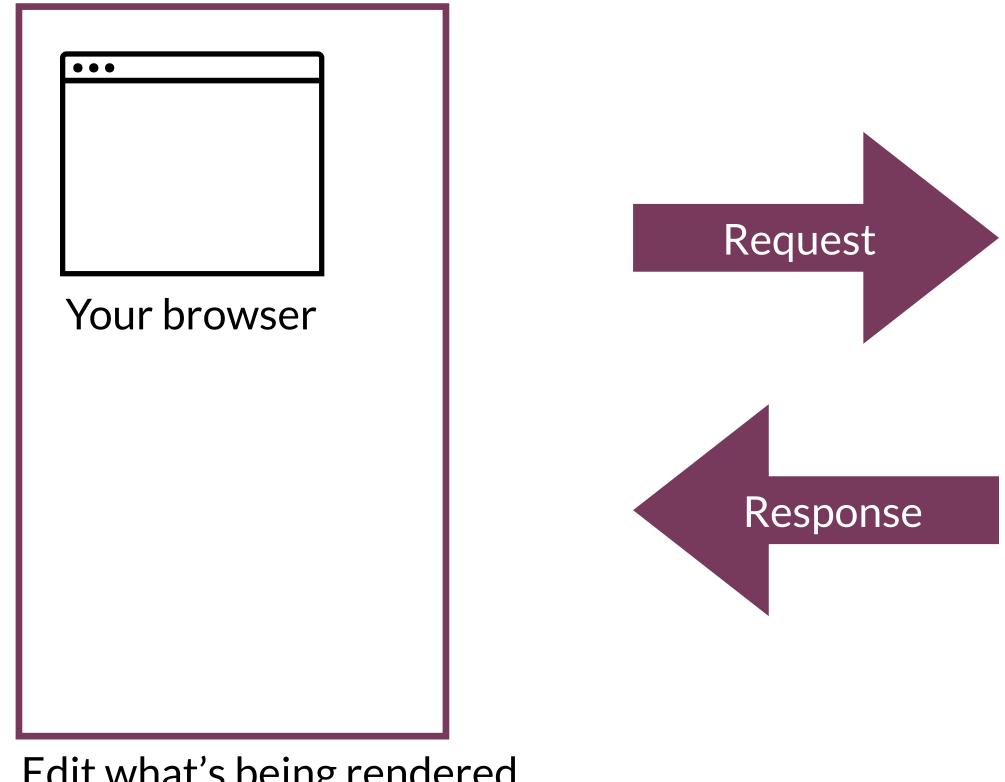
# Thus far, JavaScript looks just like any other language

# What about JavaScript makes it used so widely on the web?

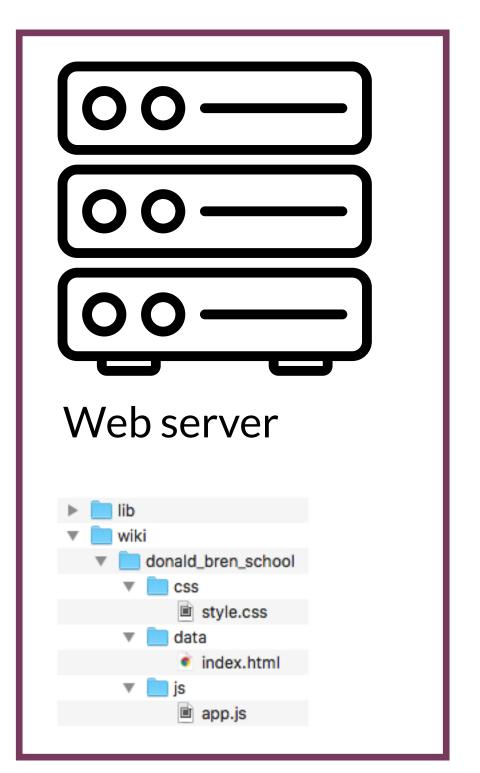
# JavaScript has many functions for editing webpages

# Today, JavaScript is used both client-side and server-side

#### Client-side and server-side JavaScript



Edit what's being rendered Trigger or react to events



Navigate file system programmatically Dynamically generate pages or views Transport, store, or interact with data

#### Client-side

- Can be seen by the user
- Changes happen in real-time in the browser
- Examples: AJAX, Angular,
   React, Vue.js

#### Server-side

- Cannot be seen by the user
- Changes happen on the server in response to HTTP requests
- Examples: Node, ASP.NET

It can be confusing to follow your code if JavaScript is on both sides

#### Client-side object: Window

The window object refers to the browser itself.
 You can access properties and execute functions on it

```
/* example properties */
var width = window.innerWidth; //viewport width
var height = window.innerHeight; //viewport height
/* example functions */
window.alert("Boo!");
var confirmed = window.confirm("Are you sure?");
var quest = window.prompt("What is your quest?");
```

Bad form, put it on your page instead

#### Client-side object: Window

 It's possible to use window to control the browser, but behavior varies drastically by browser

```
var xPos = window.screenX; //offset from screen edge
var yPos = window.screenY; //offset from screen edge
var scroll = window.scrollY; //pixels scrolled down
var url = window.location.href; //url for this page
```

```
window.scrollTo(0,1000); //scroll to position
window.open(url); //open a new window loading the URL
window.close(); //close window
```



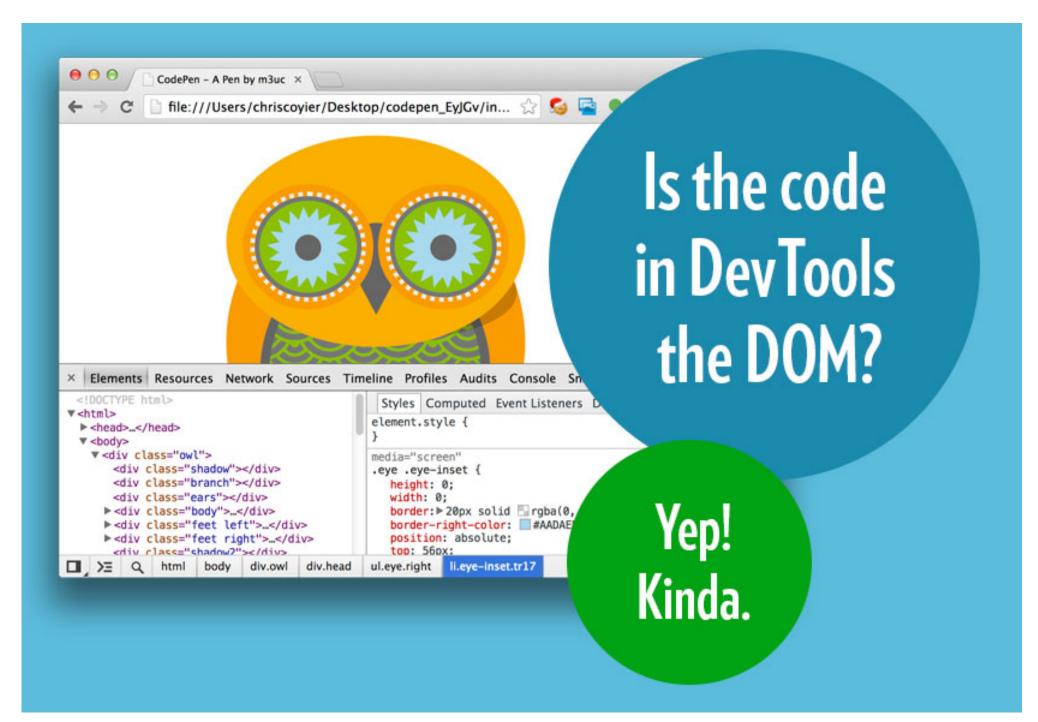
Again, better to keep your program inside the window

#### Server-side: has no Window

- No window object exists in server-side JavaScript
- On a server, there would be nothing to scroll to and no one to alert
- We will see server-side development more next week

# HTML Document Object Model (DOM)

- "A standard for how to get, change, add, or delete HTML elements"
- "the HTML you write is parsed by the browser and turned into the DOM"
- Client-side JavaScript can then edit the DOM
  - Server-side JavaScript might specify what HTML to show, but will not edit the DOM



https://css-tricks.com/dom/

Can insert inline using the <script> tag

- Your script should wait until after the page has loaded
  - Otherwise elements you're trying to access might not exist

```
<head>
     <script>
     function pageLoaded() {
        alert("Page Loaded!");
     }
     </script>
</head>
<body onload="pageLoaded();">
</body>
```

Functions can respond to events

```
<head>
 <script>
  function buttonClicked() {
   alert("Button Clicked!");
 </script>
</head>
<body>
 <!--Bad style! Don't do this-->
 <button onclick="buttonClicked()">Click me!</button>
</body>
```

Like CSS, better to load an external script

```
<head>
<script src="js/script.js"></script>
</head>
```

### Editing the DOM

- document object model
- Write into the DOM with document.write

```
<script>
document.write("<h1>Hello, World!</h1>");

var myCourse = "IN4MATX 133";
document.write("<h1>Hello, " + myCourse + "!");
</script>
```

### Selecting elements

// elements

• We can reference individual HTML elements by calling selector functions
//element with id="foo"
var fooElem = document.getElementById('foo');

//elements with class="row"
var rowElems = document.getElementsByClassName('row');

var liElems = document.getElementsByTagName('li');

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• We can reference individual HTML elements by calling selector functions
/\*easiest to select by reusing CSS selectors! \*/
var cssSelector = 'header p, .title > p';

//selects FIRST element that matches css selector
var elem = document.querySelector(cssSelector);

//matches ALL elements that match css selector
var elems = document.querySelectorAll(cssSelector);

#### Editing elements

 Properties and functions of elements can manipulate them /\* properties to access the CONTENT of the element \*/ var elem = document.querySelector('p'); var text = elem.textContent; //the text content of the elem elem.textContent = "I'm different!"; //change the content var html = elem.innerHTML; //content including tags elem.innerHTML = "I'm <strong>different</strong>"; var parent = elem.parentNode; //get the parent node

# Editing elements

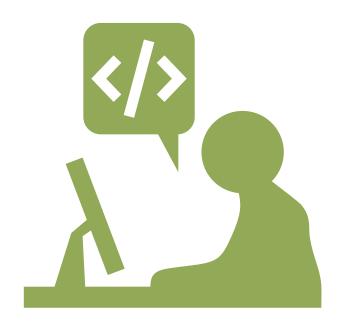
```
    Can add/remove classes, IDs, and inline style

<style>/*Bad form! Just for demo*/
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  .title {
                                                        Hello, IN4MATX 133!
   font-style: italic;
</style>
<h1>Hello, IN4MATX 133!</h1>
<script>
 var elements = document.getElementsByTagName("h1");
 for(var i = 0; i < elements.length; i++) {</pre>
   elements[i].classList.add("title");
   elements[i].style.color="blue";
</script>
```

### Changing the DOM

```
//create a new  (not yet in the tree)
var newP = document.createElement('p');
newP.textContent = "I'm new!";
//create Node of textContent only
var newText = document.createTextNode("I'm blank");
var div = document.querySelector('div#container');
div.appendChild(newP); //add element INSIDE (at end)
div.appendChild(newText);
//add node BEFORE element (new, old)
div.insertBefore(document.createTextNode("First!"), newP);
//replace node (new, old)
div.replaceChild(document.createTextNode('boo'), newText);
//remove node
div.removeChild(div.querySelector('p'));
```

# DOM manipulation demo



#### Hello, IN4MATX 133!

Fill in this paragraph and add another one.





#### Which snippet would edit the p to display "1, 2, 3, 4, 5"?

```
1, 2, 3
```

- (A)document.getElementById("intro").append(", 4, 5");
- B)document.getElementsByClassName("para").innerHTML = "1, 2, 3, 4, 5";
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# Validating data

- Check form fields before sending to a server
  - Provide instant feedback, reduce server back-and-forth

```
<script>
 function validateForm() {
   var x = document.forms["myForm"]["fname"].value;
   if(x==null | x=="") {
     alert("Name must be filled out");
     return false;
</script>
<form name="myForm" onsubmit="return validateForm()" method="post">
 <label>Name: </label>
 <input type="text" name="fname">
 <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>
```

#### Gather and use information

 Remember: this is client-side! <script> var x = document.getElementById("demo"); function getLocation() { if (navigator.geolocation) { navigator.geolocation.getCurrentPosition(showPosition); } else { x.innerHTML = "Geolocation is not supported by this browser."; function showPosition(position) { x.innerHTML = "Latitude: " + position.coords.latitude + "<br > Longitude: " + position.coords.longitude; </script>

# How do we make interactive pages?

#### Listeners

• Can attach a listener to that method, specifying that
 we want to do something when that element causes an event
//respond to "click" events
elem.addEventListener('click', callback);

//often use an anonymous callback function
elem.addEventListener('click', function(){
 console.log('clicky clicky!');
});

#### Listeners

});

Listener callback function will be passed an event parameter

var clickedElem = event.target;

The "target" (source) of the event

#### **Event types**

```
'click' //mouse or button clicked
'dblclick' //double-clicked
'hover' //mouse hover
'focus' //element gains focus (important!)
'mouseenter' //mouse is moved over an element
'mouseleave' //mouse leaves the element
'mousedown' //mouse button is pressed
'keydown' //key is pressed
//... and more!
```

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events

#### Document ready: JavaScript

- Remember earlier: your script should wait until after the page has loaded
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```

#### Document ready: JavaScript

```
document.addEventListener('DOMContentLoaded', function (event) {
   alert("Page loaded!");
});
```

#### Importing JavaScript

- When your script uses document ready,
   convention is to load it in the <head> tag
  - Important to think about ordering, particularly for libraries
  - e.g., import Math.js before you use it in a script

```
<head>
     <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/
mathjs/9.0.0/math.js"></script>
     <script src="index.js"></script>
</head>
```

### Switching topics: Package Management

#### Importing packages so far

- Through content delivery networks (CDNs)
  - Pasting a "script" tag into the <head> of our HTML files
  - <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/mathjs/
    9.0.0/math.min.js"></script>
- Downloading from the source
  - e.g., if you downloaded Bootstrap rather than using a CDN

#### Package managers

- Provide an easy way to install software on your computer
  - Both new programs and libraries
- Simplify the process of updating software to the latest version
  - A challenge: packages depend on other packages, and often varied versions of those packages
  - Your package manager should deal with this for you
- They're essentially app stores, except all the content is free

# OS-level package managers



apt-get (Unix)



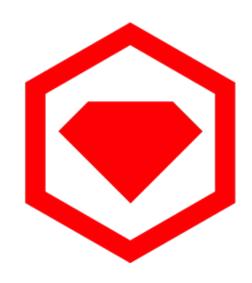
homebrew (macOS)



chocolatey (Windows)

#### Language-level package managers









pip (Python)

RubyGems (ruby)

npm (JavaScript)

yarn (also JavaScript)

# Why are there so many package managers?

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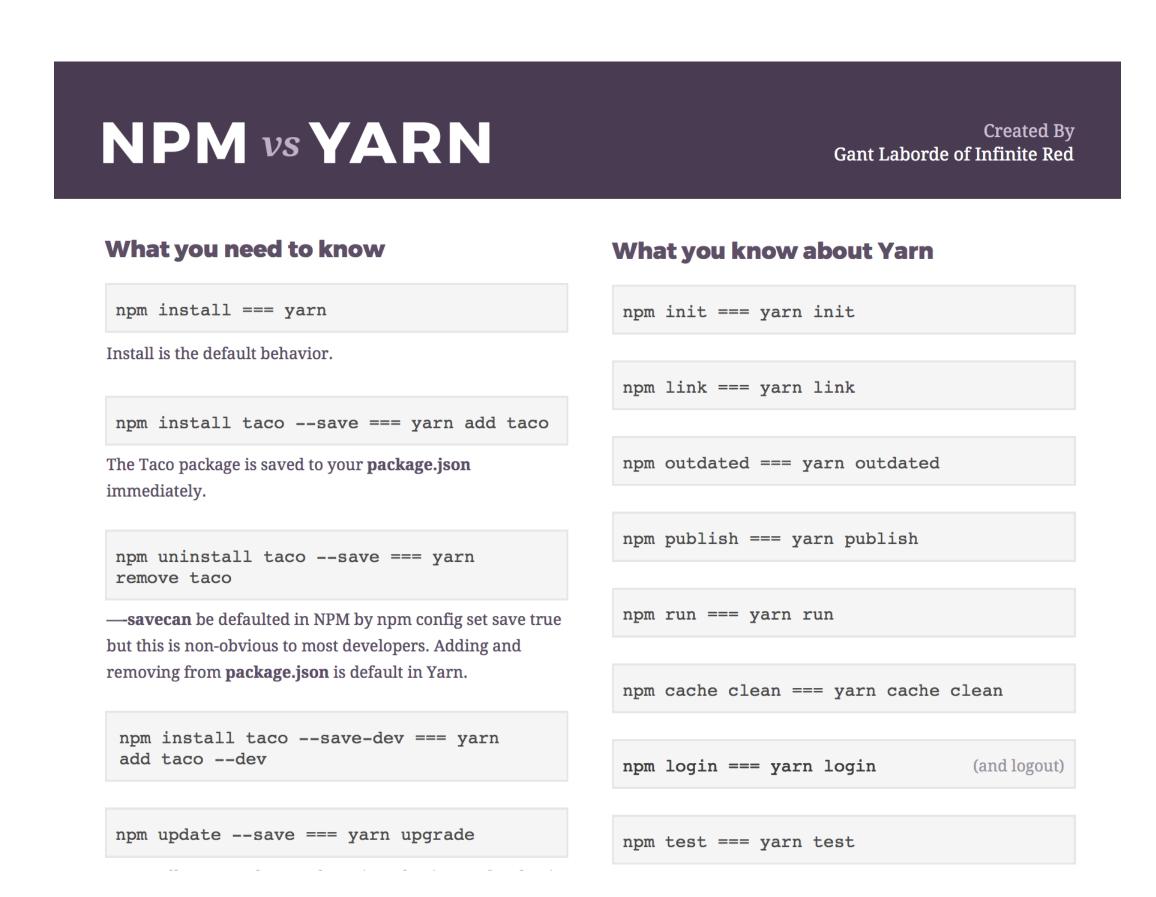
- There's some value in keeping language or domain-specific contexts
  - Certain languages interface better with certain file formats
- Most managers are driven by community efforts
  - New package manager solves some problem of a previous one
- But a lot of these are excuses; in reality, it's often a frustrating mess

## npm and Yarn: web package managers

- npm was introduced as the package manager for Node.js (server-side JavaScript)
  - Yarn was developed later, released by Facebook as open-source
  - Uses the same registry (list of packages)
- Have a lot of useful libraries for developing webpages and web interfaces
  - Has packages for both server-side and client-side JavaScript development
- Occasionally used to install system-wide software
- package and library are often used interchangeably, which can be misleading

## Yarn as an "upgrade" to npm

- Yarn intentionally uses the same concepts as npm
  - Faster, more secure
- But npm is still more widely used
  - Facebook developed Yarn, some people don't like their involvement
  - We'll stick to npm in this course



#### Some example web libraries

- Moment js\*: for managing time and timezones
  - https://momentjs.com/docs/
  - https://dockyard.com/blog/2020/02/14/you-probably-don-t-need-moment-jsanymore
- Math js: for any math, unit conversion etc.
  - http://mathjs.org/docs/
- Express: for routing your website to different content (other pages or files)
  - https://expressjs.com/

#### npm concepts

- package.json file: the libraries installed in a given project
  - Kept in the root folder of your project by convention
- package-lock.json file
  - Used to keep track of the specific versions of other libraries that the libraries you've installed require
  - "the libraries of your libraries"
- node\_modules folder: all the libraries you've installed in your project

#### npm and git

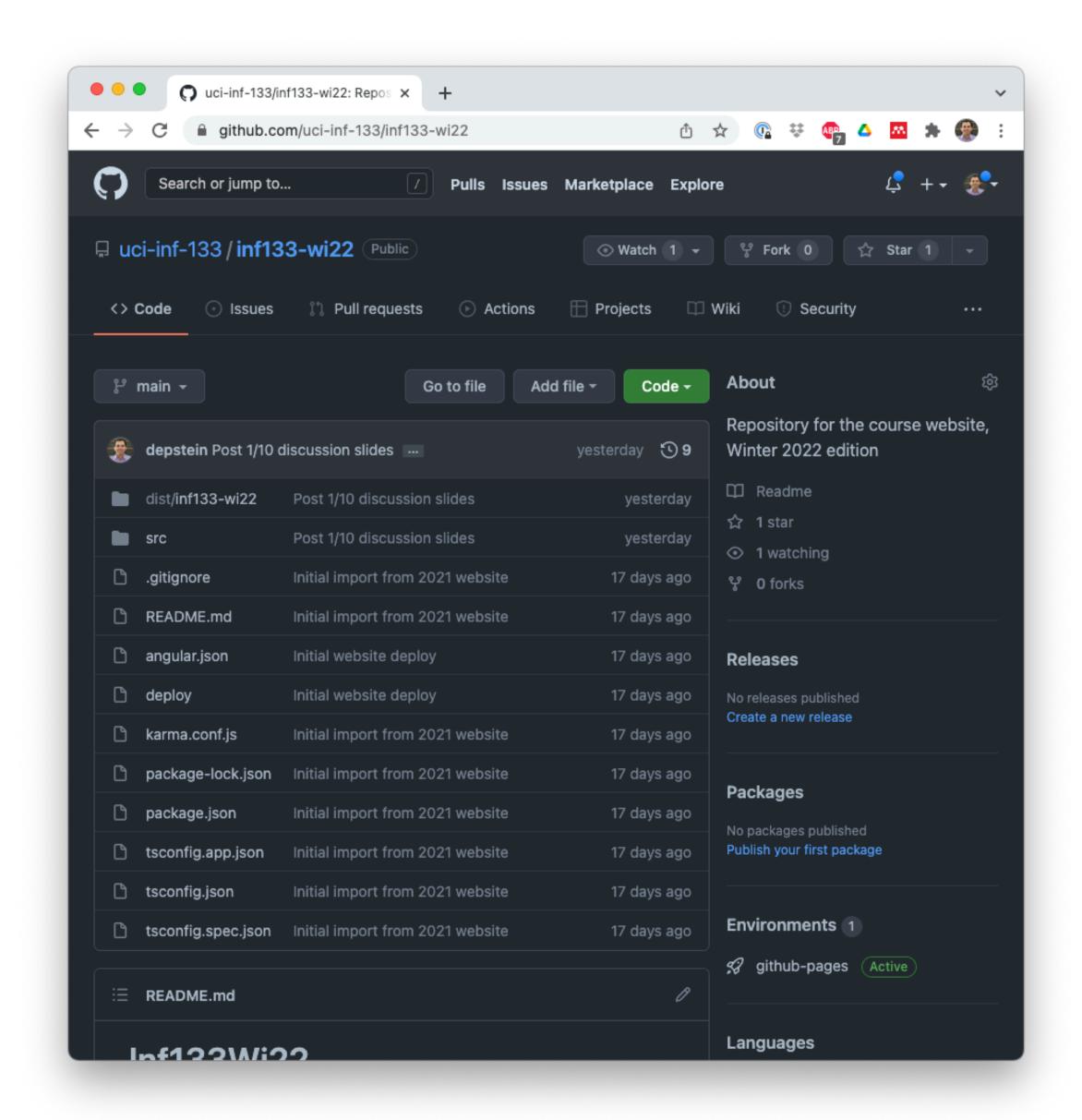
- Maybe you've seen the .gitignore file
  - Specifies what files should not be committed to your repository
- Do commit the package.json and package-lock.json files
  - Allows someone else to install the same package versions you used
- Do not commit the node modules directory
  - Would be redundant; package.json specifies what versions to download
  - Large, as it includes the packages themselves
  - Add the folder to the .gitignore file

#### Using npm

- Runs in your operating system's command line
- Use in the root directory of your project (cd path/to/project)
- Install packages: npm install packagename
  - Will install package into your project's node\_modules/folder
- Get the latest version of a package: npm update
  - Important for patching security vulnerabilities

## Using npm

- Let's say we wanted to run the course webpage
  - Assume we've installed npm, then clone the repository
- Run npm install in the project's root directory
  - Will add all of the libraries the webpage depends on to node modules/



#### Using npm

- npm can also install global packages, which are just software on your computer
  - npm install -g packagename
  - Usually programs which run via command line
- These global packages are programs rather than libraries, so they're not added to package.json or node modules/
  - Though your project might depend on them to run
- Global packages are often redundant with OS-level package managers
- A2 only requires global packages

#### package.json

```
    Do not edit manually unless you know what you're doing!

  "name": "inf133-wi22",
 "version": "0.0.0",
  "scripts": {
   "ng": "ng",
   "start": "ng serve",
   "build": "ng build",
  "dependencies": {
   "langular/animations": "~7.2.0", +~: Version number is "approximately the same as" (e.g., 7.2.X)
   "@angular/common": "~7.2.0",
   "@angular/compiler": "~7.2.0",
   "@angular/core": "~7.2.0",
   "@angular/forms": "~7.2.0",
   "@angular/platform-browser": "~7.2.0",
   "@angular/platform-browser-dynamic": "~7.2.0",
   "@angular/router": "~7.2.0",
    "bibtex-parse-js": "0.0.24",
   "component": "^1.1.0", 

↑: Version number is "compatible with" (e.g., 1.X.X)
   "moment": "^2.24.0",
   "ngx-moment": "^3.4.0",
   "rxjs": "~6.3.3",
   "tslib": "^1.10.0",
                                   Also explicit >, <, >=, =
   "zone.js": "~0.8.26"
```



#### Which is correct?

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packagename

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packagename

(A) 1, 2, 3, 4

1, 4

(B) 1, 2, 3

4

**C** 1

4

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# Utility functions

#### Lodash

A handy library for working with basic data structures

```
_.flatten([1, [2, [3, [4]], 5]]);
// => [1, 2, [3, [4]], 5]
```



```
var zipped = _.zip(['a', 'b'], [1, 2], [true, false]);
// => [['a', 1, true], ['b', 2, false]]

_.unzip(zipped);
// => [['a', 'b'], [1, 2], [true, false]]
```