INFO 151 Web Systems and Services

Week 5 (T1)

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Objects and OOP Selection Iteration

Sources of Resources

- The sources of information and resources for JavaScript may be found at:
 - The <u>w3schools.com</u> web-site
 - https://www.quanzhanketang.com/
 - The recommended course text book:
 - Sams Teach Yourself PHP, MySQL & JavaScript All in One SIXTH EDITION

Overview

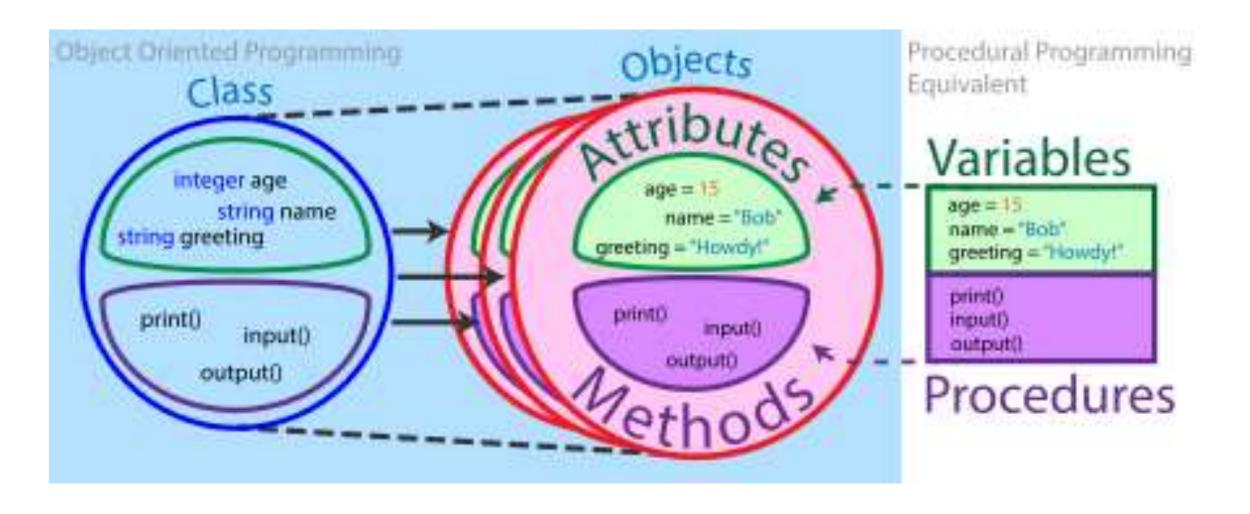
- In this session we will introduce:
 - Objects and Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)
 - Selection:
 - Using conditional operators to select from a range of alternatives
 - Iteration:
 - Using loops to repeat a program run until a condition is satisfied or a termination criteria is reached

Objects and Object-Orientated Programming

Object-Oriented Programming

- Object-oriented programming (OOP) is a programming paradigm based on the concept of *objects* where objects:
 - Hold data in the form of attributes
 - Hold program code in the form of methods
- A feature of an object is the capability for the *methods* to *access* and *modify* the data and properties of the object with which they are associated
 - Objects have a notion of this (or self)

Object-Oriented Programming



Objects – Student

```
Name
   paul:Student

Variables
name="Paul Lee"
   gpa=3.5

getName()
   setGpa()
```

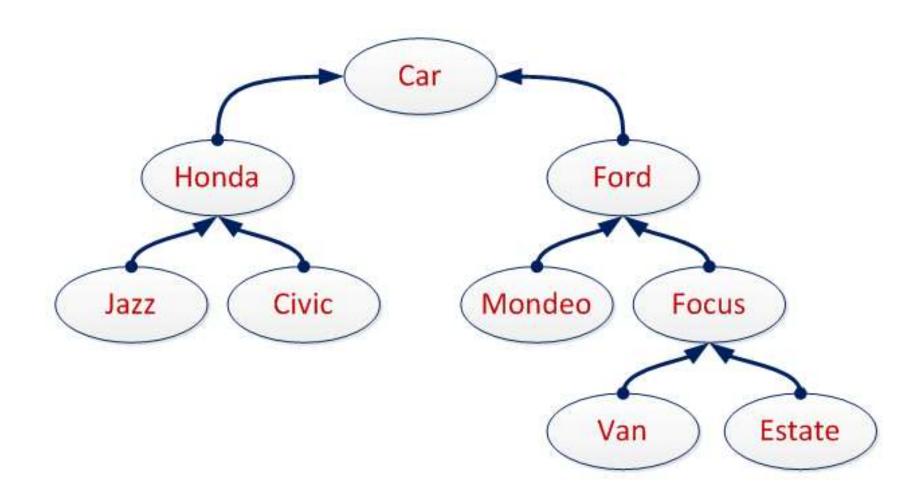
```
peter:Student

name="Peter Tan"
gpa=3.9

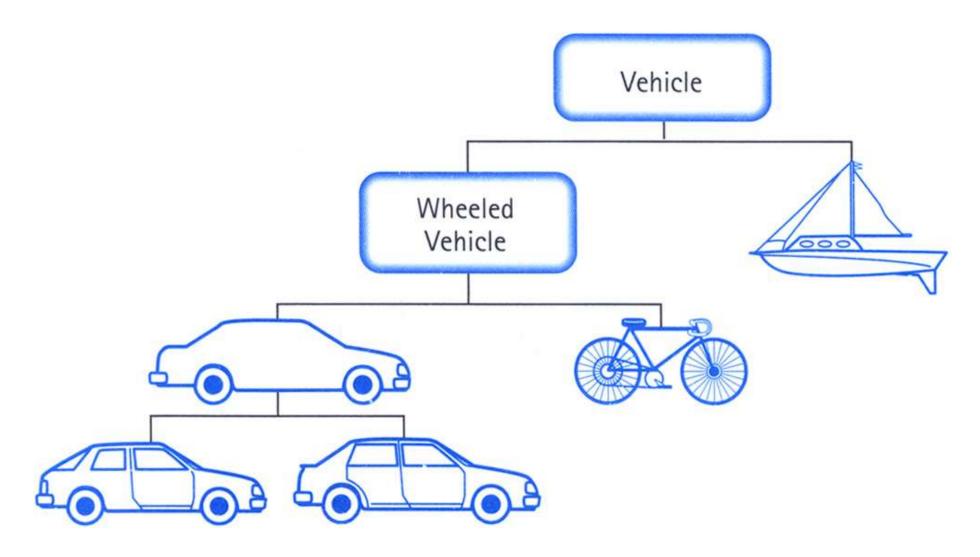
getName()
setGpa()
```

Two instances - paul and peter - of the class Student

Objects – Vehicles

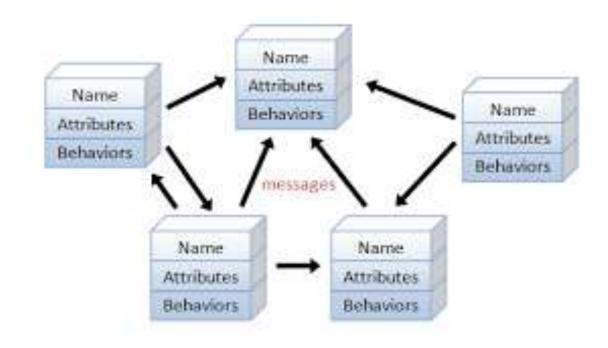


Objects – Transport



Object-Oriented Programming

- An object-oriented program
 - Is created using well encapsulated objects
 - Messages are passed between objects in the program run
 - The messages create and manage the interactions between objects
- For example
 - Messages include calls to functions and the passing of parameters with the returned result



Creating Objects

- Objects in JavaScript are created using the new operator
- A new object with no properties is created as follows

```
var x = new Object();
```

- Predefined constructors that are members of a class of objects
 - Properties and methods are automatically defined (this approach uses a JavaScript API
 - For example: a date object that represents the current time is created as follows

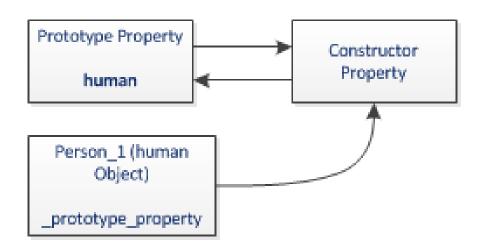
```
var now = new Date();
```

Object Prototype Property

- When a function is created in JavaScript a
 prototype property to the function
- This prototype property is an object (called as a prototype object) and has a constructor property by default
- The constructor property points back to the function on which prototype object is a property
- Access the function's prototype property is achieved using the syntax

functionName.prototype

 For example: the person1 object (created using the Human constructor function) has a __prototype_ property which points to the prototype object of the constructor function



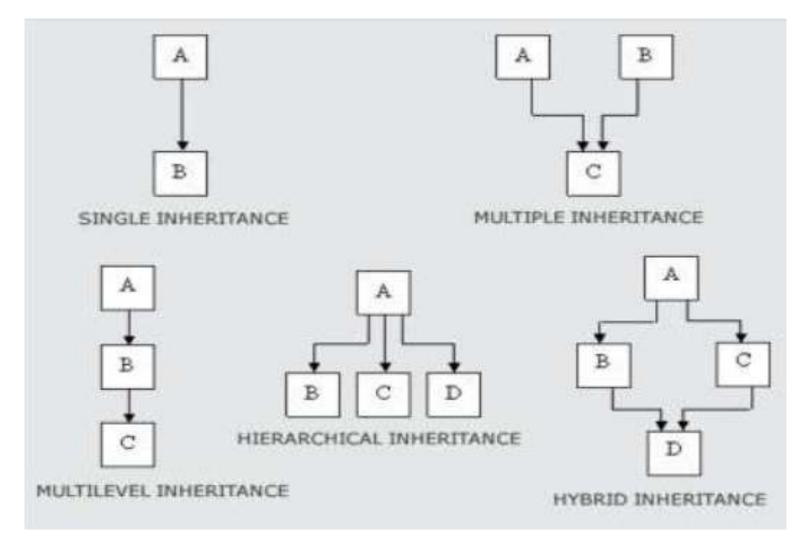
Object Orientation and Inheritance

Object-Oriented Programming

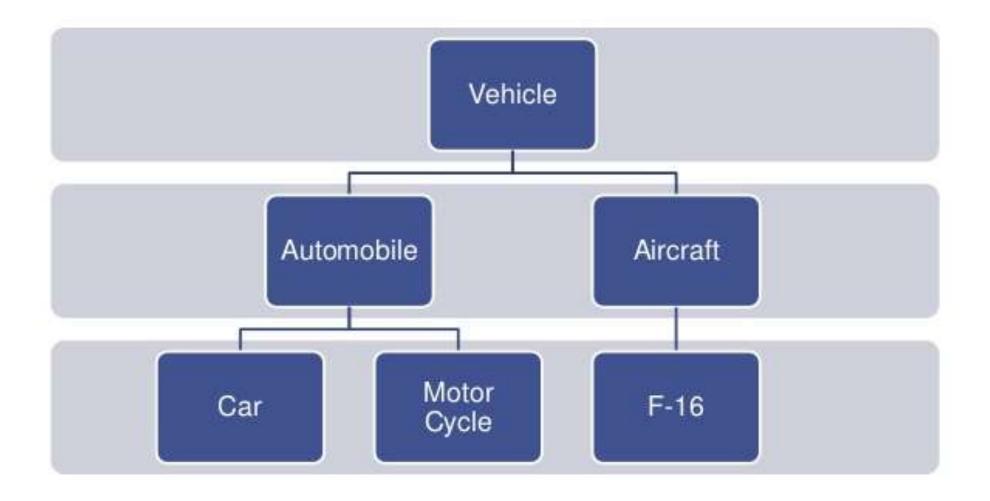
• In OOP:

- Computer programs are designed around the concept of creating interactions between *objects*
- In OOP and JavaScript:
 - There is the concept of inheritance where a *child* (object) inherits the attributes of the *parent* (object) and may add additional attributes
 - When an inherited function is executed the value of **this** points to the *inheriting object*

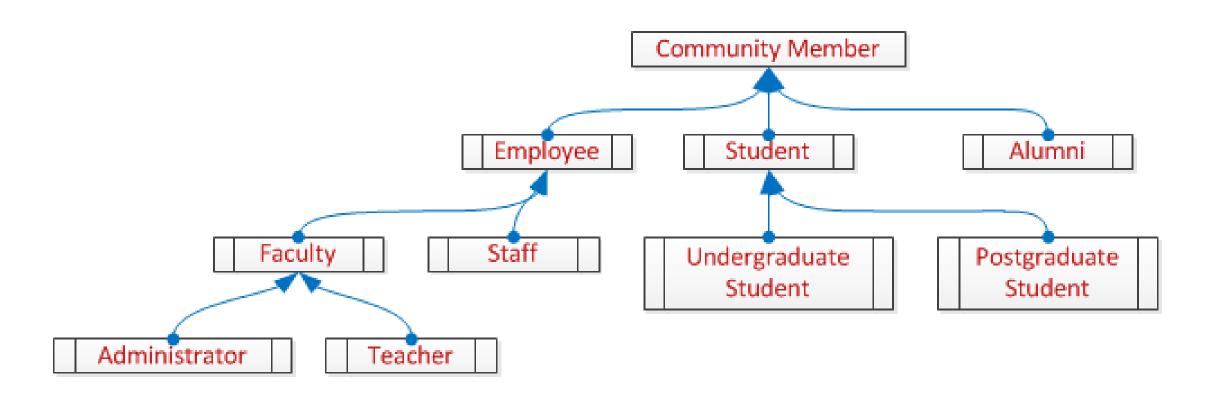
Types of Inheritance



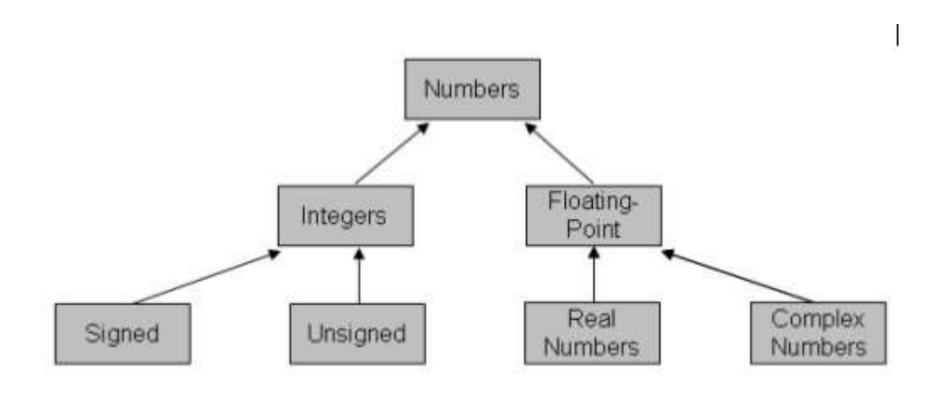
An Inheritance Tree



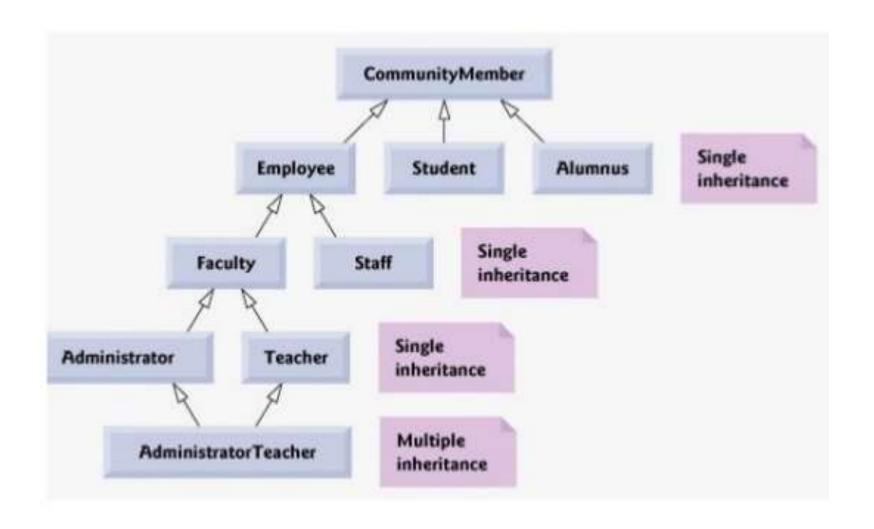
Inheritance Example



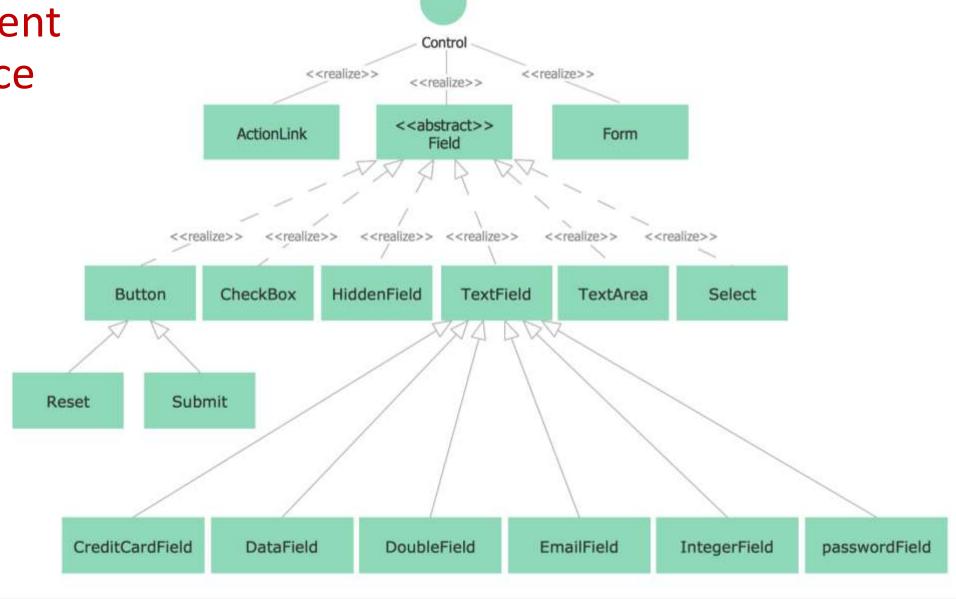
Inheritance – Numbers



Inheritance and Hierarchy



Form Element Inheritance



Selection

Selection Operators

- Selection forms an essential function is all computer programming
- Selection uses a range of operations:
 - if
 - •if ... else
 - if ... else if ... else
 - Switch
- The following slides demonstrate these operations

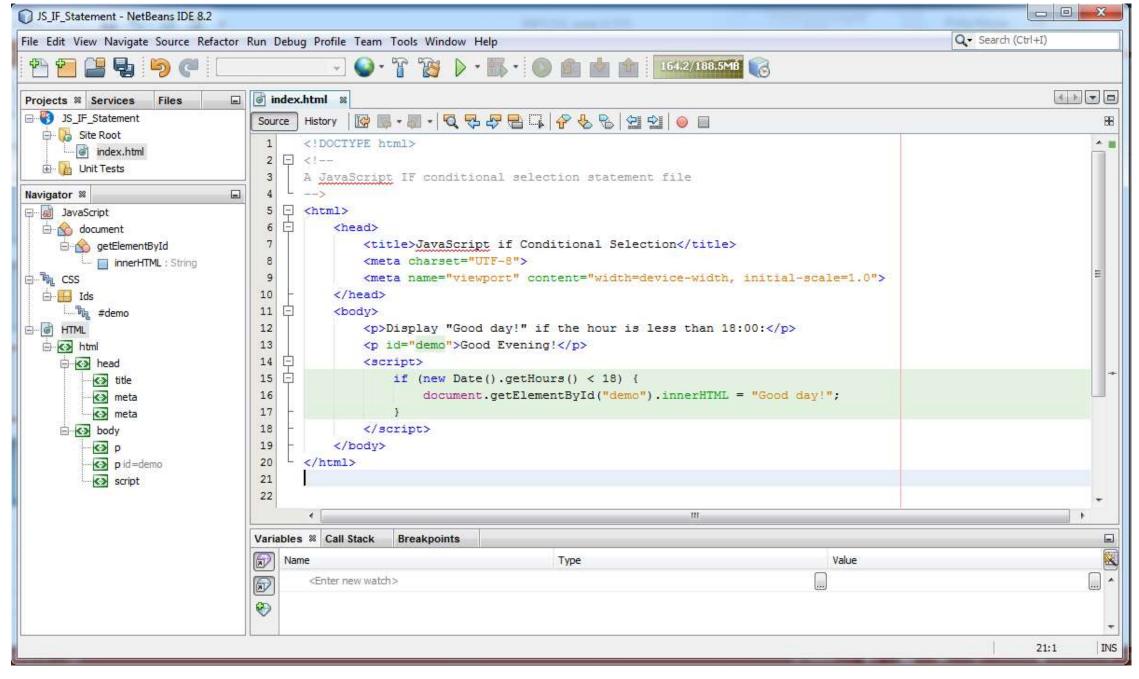
if Selection

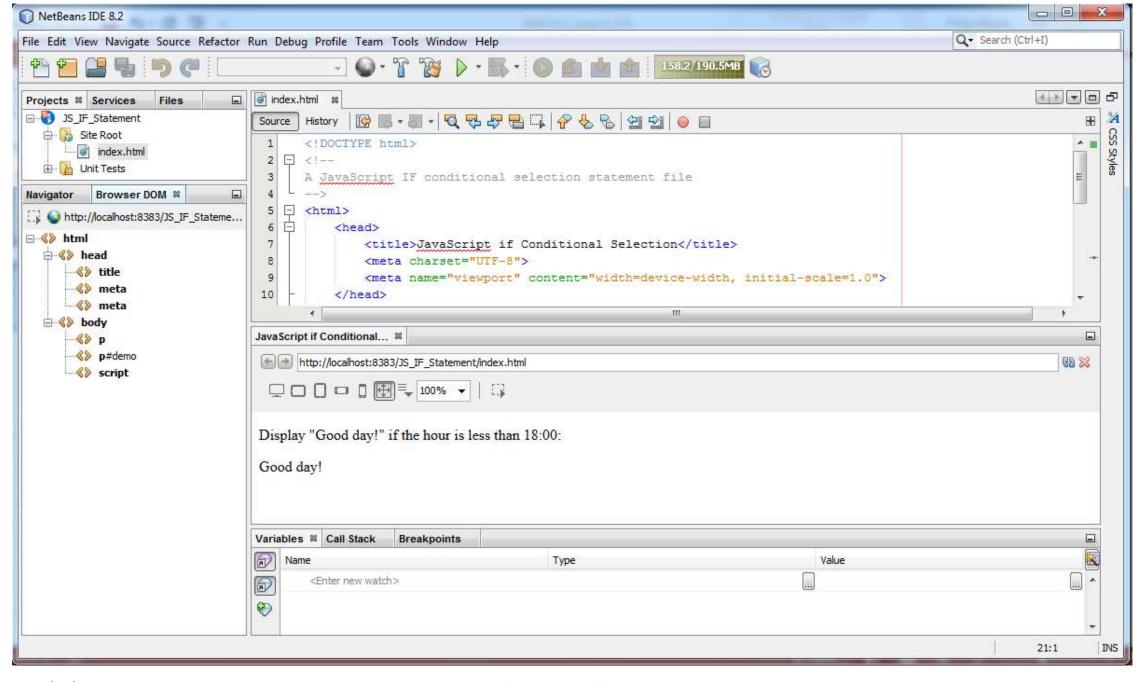
if and if ... else

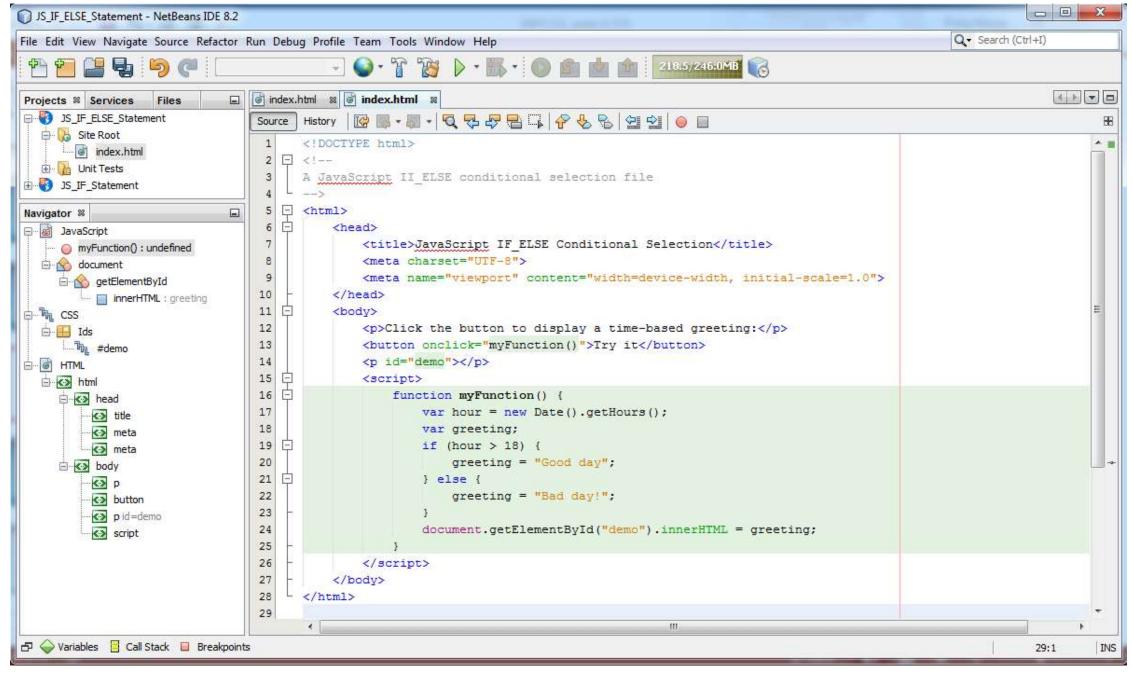
• The following if ... else conditional statements execute a statement *IFF* an expression is *true*

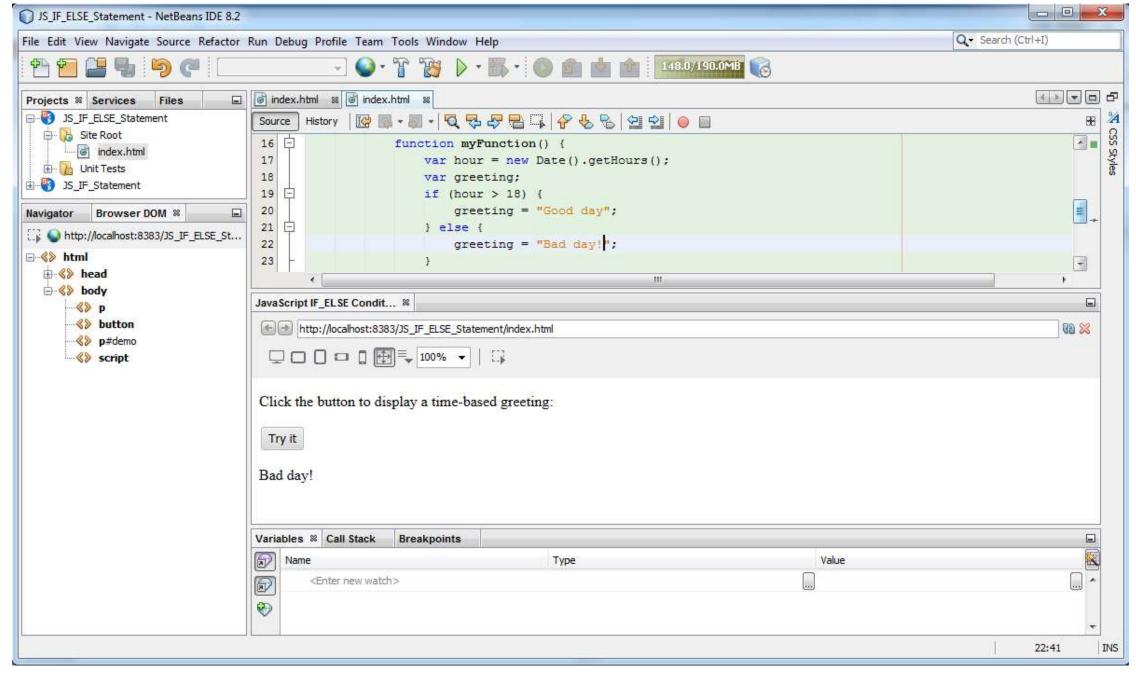
```
if( expression )
    statement
```

• The following if ... else conditional statements execute a statement *IFF* an expression is *false*





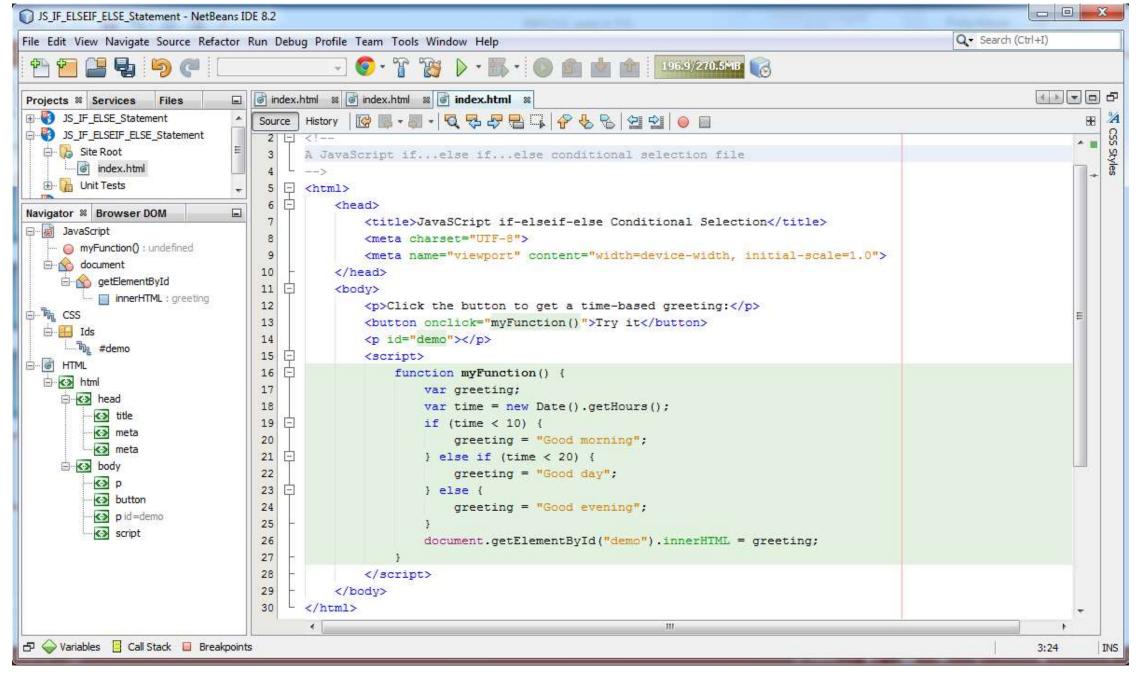


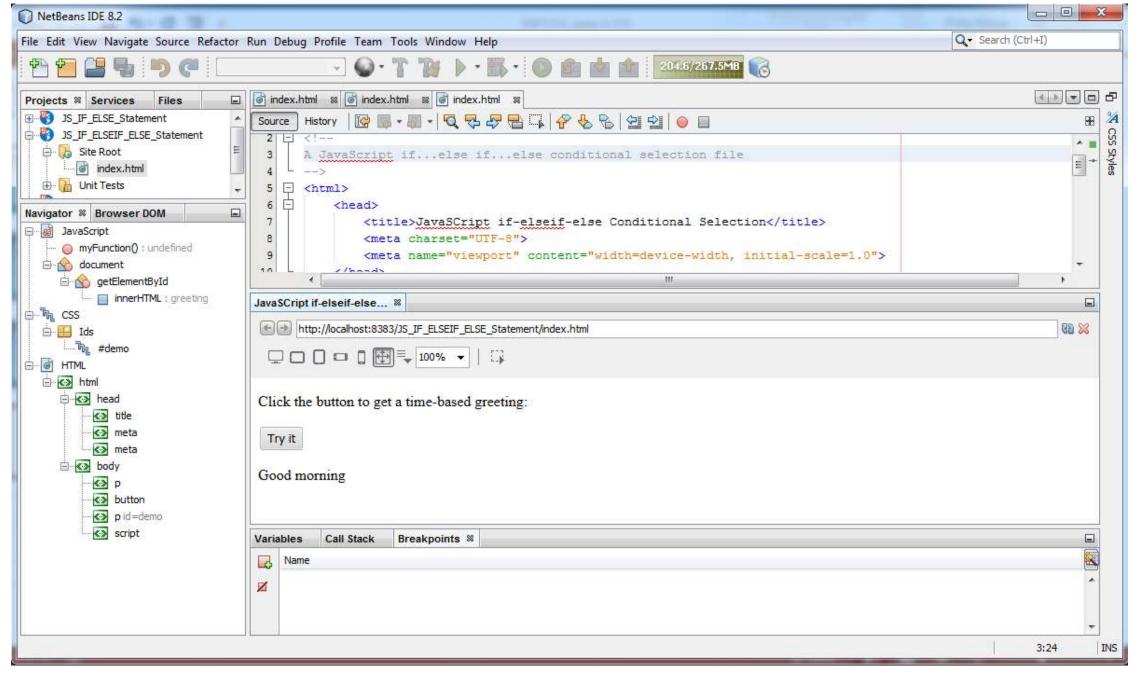


if ... else if ... else

• Any else clause may be combined with a nested **else** ... **if** statement to produce an **else**...**if** statement as follows:

The following slides show working examples of the conditional selection operators





if Selection

- In considering the examples shown it is important to note:
 - In all the examples block curly brackets {...} have been used
- For **if** statements:
 - The { ... } may be omitted
- For (if ... else) and (if ... else if ... else) blocks:
 - The block curly brackets { ... } MUST be used
 - If the block curly brackets { ... } are omitted there will be an ERROR
- It is good programming practice to always use { ... }
 - To improve the readability of the program code and reduce possible errors

Switch Selection

Switch Conditional Selection

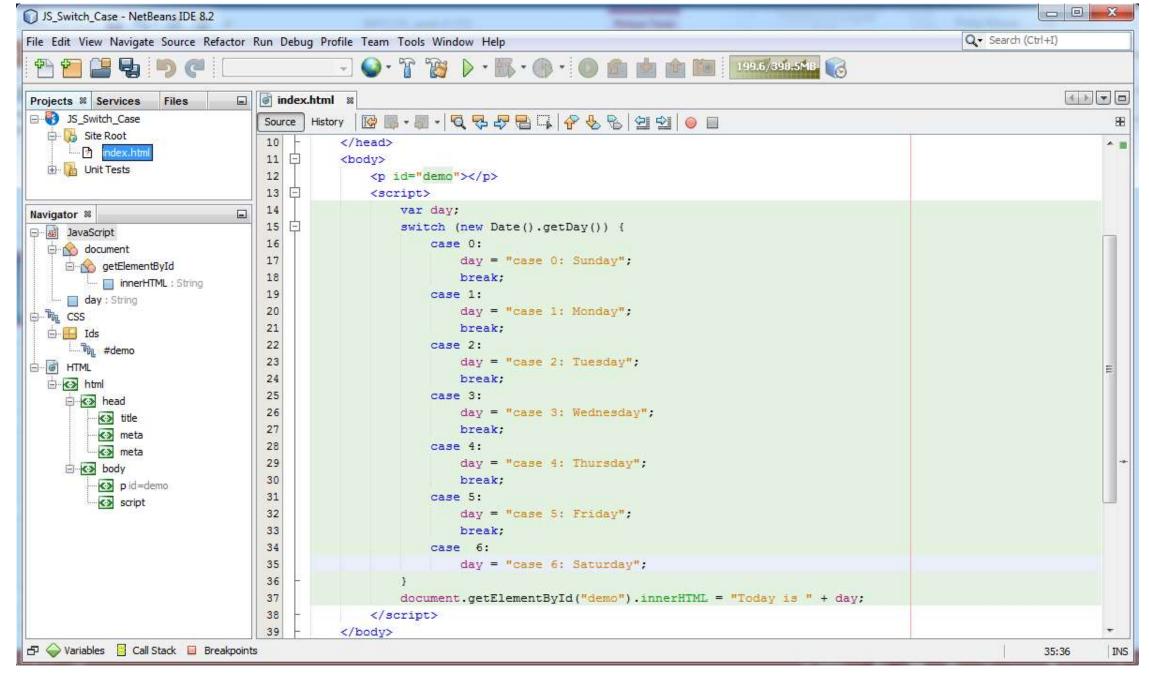
- A switch statement is:
 - A multi-way branch
 - It evaluates an expression and then jumps to a statement that is **labelled** with a case clause that matches the value of the expression
 - Where no matching case label is found the switch statement jumps to the statement (if any) with the default label
- The **switch** syntax is as follows:

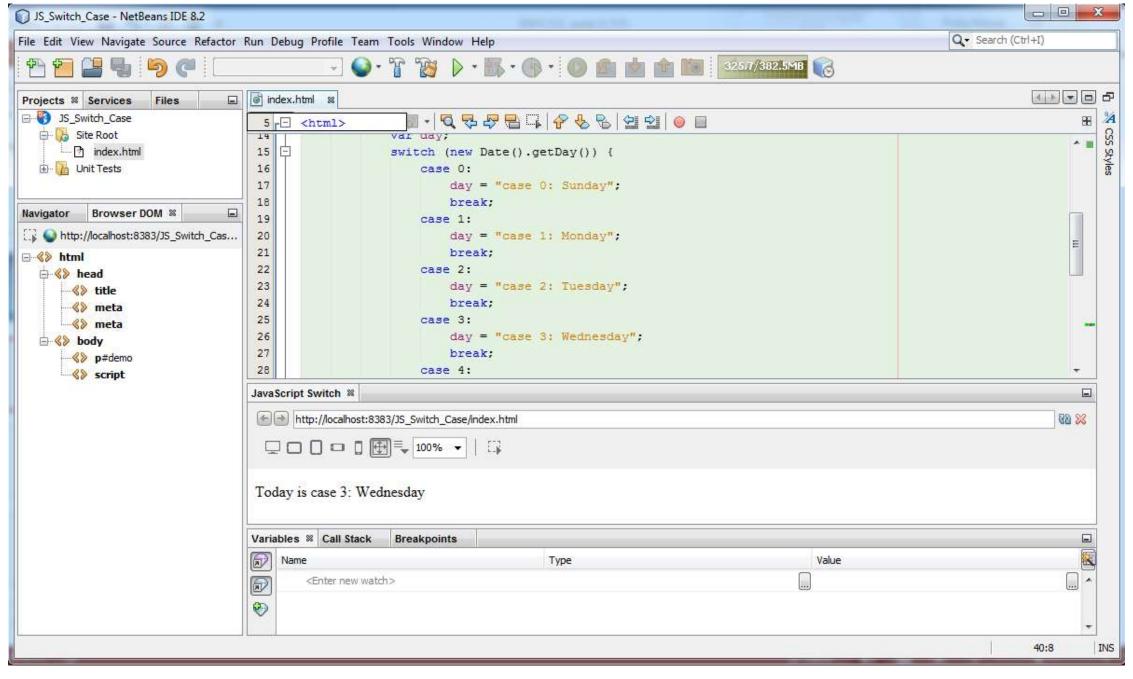
```
switch ( expression ) {
    case constant expression: statements
    [case constant expression: statements]
    [ ... ]
    default: statements
}
```

The Switch Syntax

```
switch(expression) {
    case n:
        code block
        break;
    case n:
        code block
        break;
    default:
        code block
}
```

- Important:
 - The *first case* which matches the expression will be executed
 - The default case must always be final case



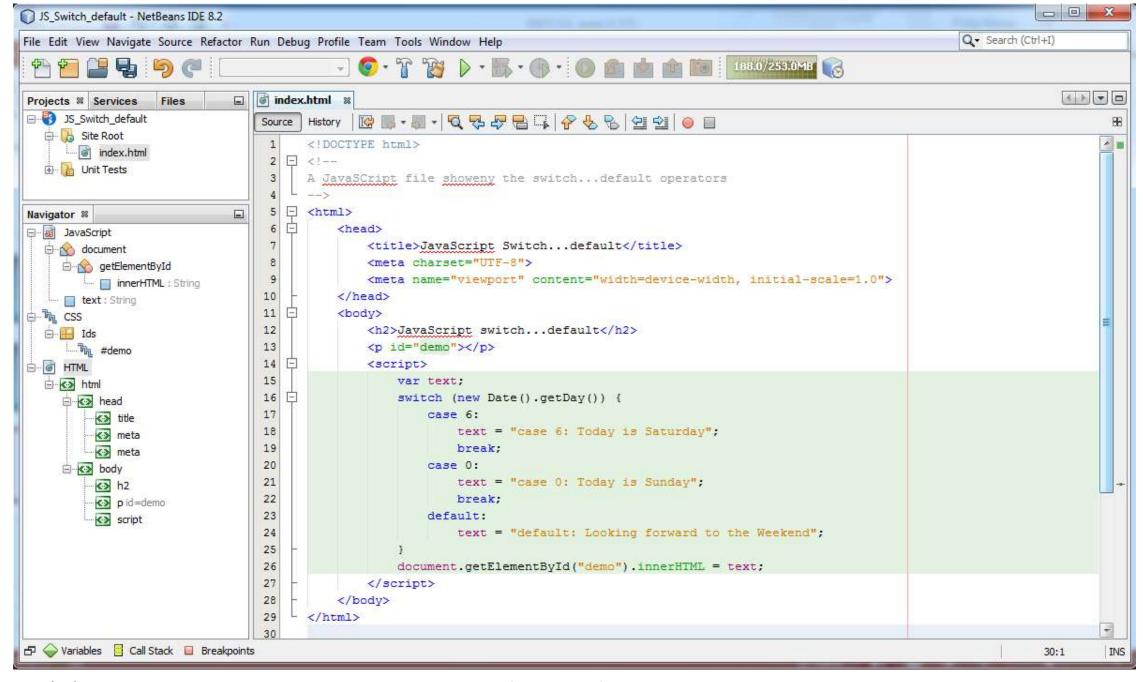


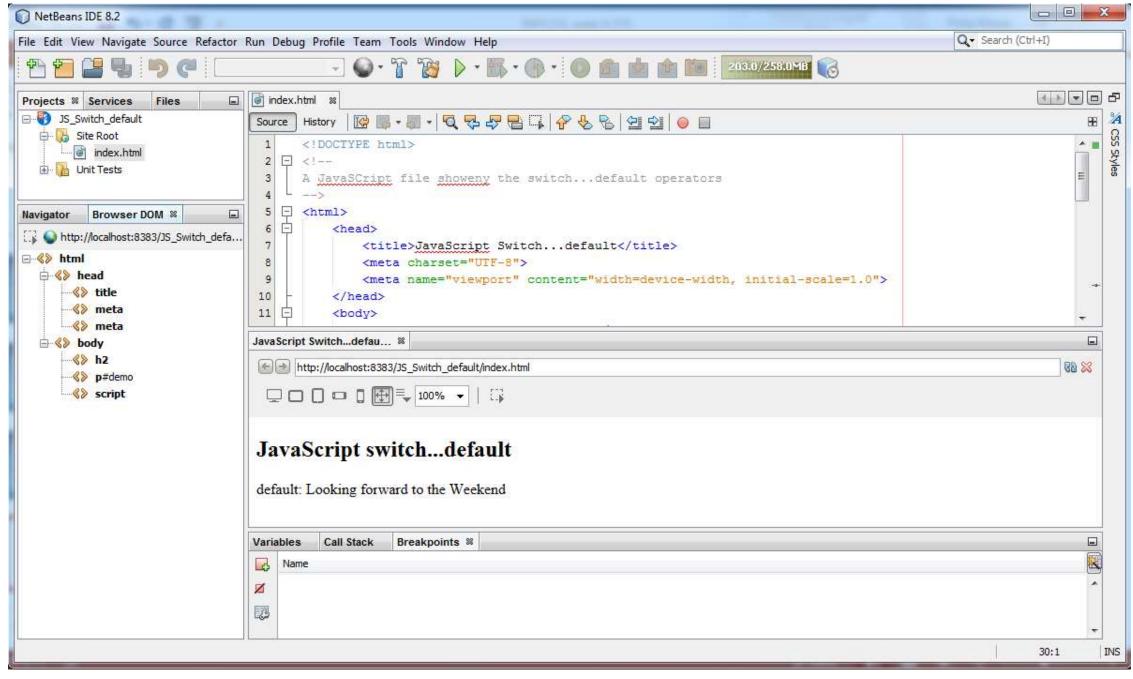
The Switch Case break Operator (1)

- A switch statement may include the **break** operator
- When JavaScript reaches a break operator
 - It breaks out of the switch block and the code processing
 - Proceeds to the next line of JavaScript code (or)
 - Returns the result
- The break operator improves the efficiency of the code as it stops the execution redundant testing of following cases inside the switch block

The Switch break Operator (2)

- The efficiency of the program is improved because:
 - When an expression has been satisfied the evaluation is complete there is no need for more switch blocks to be evaluated
- In computer programs:
 - The switch statement can
 - Output text
 - Call (and in some languages such as Java create) functions
 - Create objects
 - Any legal (in a programming language) statement may be implemented in a switch block



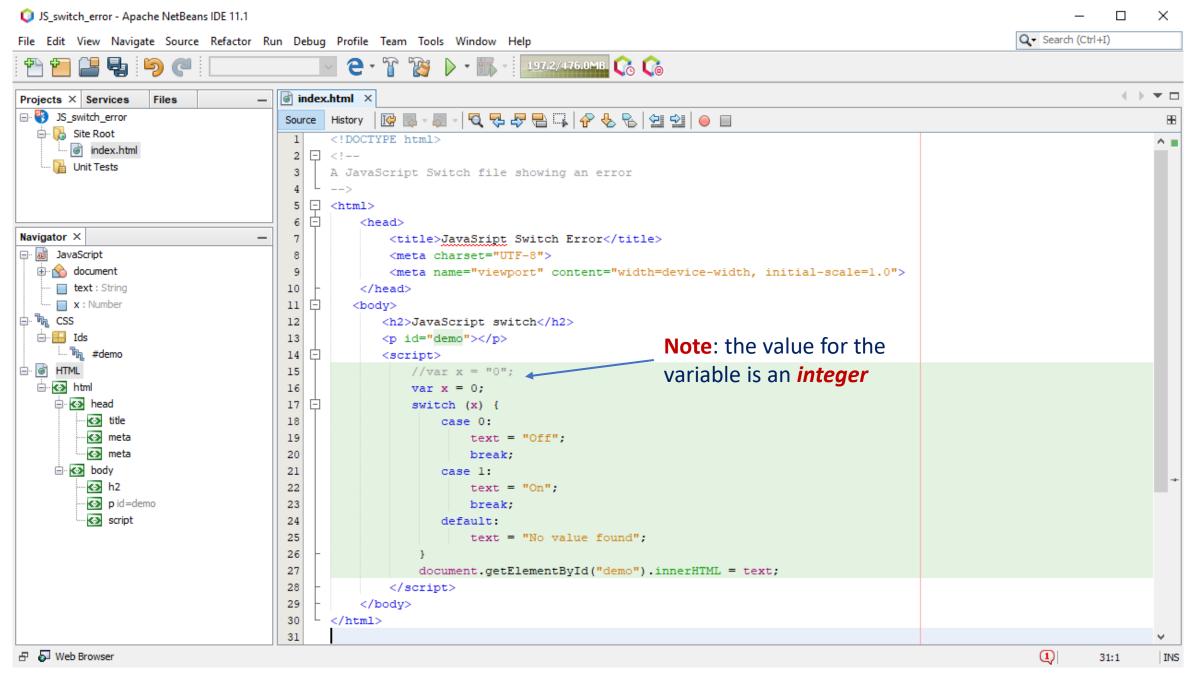


The Switch default Operator

- A switch statement may include the default operator
- When JavaScript reaches default the processing of the input is stopped
 - The **default** is generally located at the end of the switch block
 - The **default** is not always located at the end of the switch block
- The default
 - Will be used when all other cases have been tested
 - The **default** may also be used to catch errors

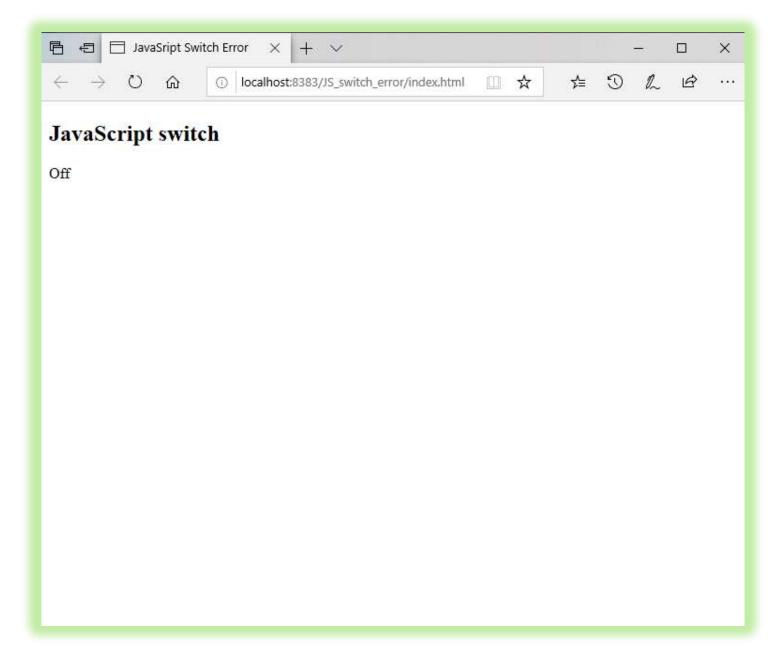
The Switch Statement

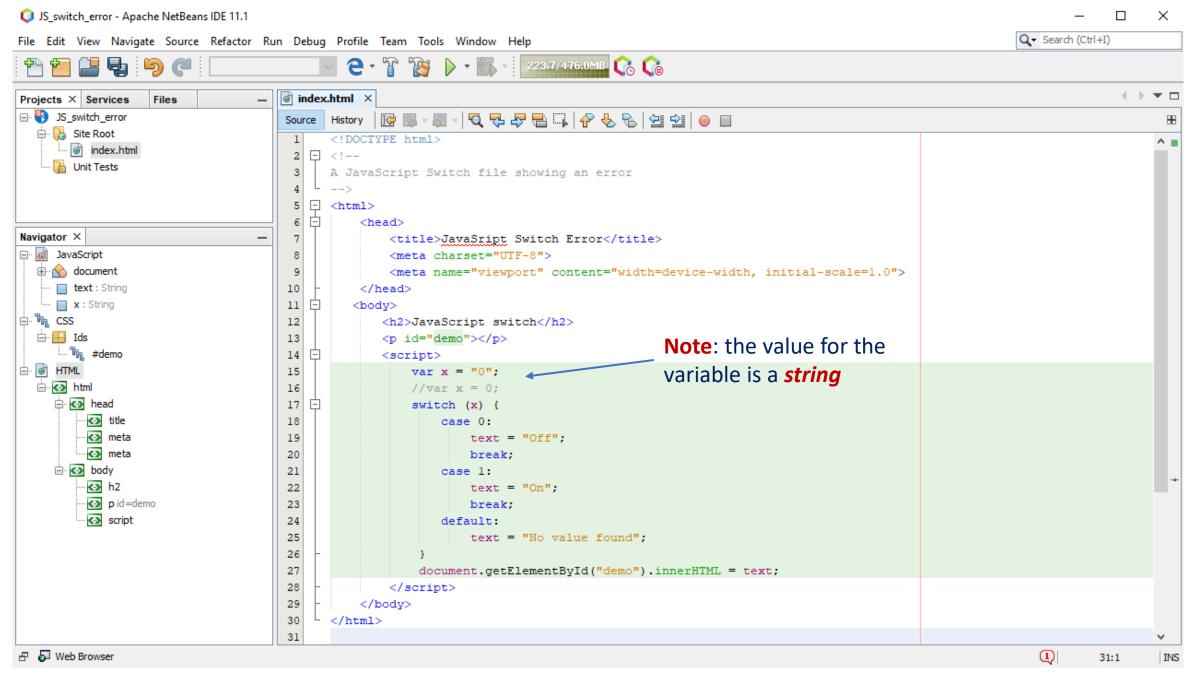
- Switch operates a strict Comparison
 - Switch cases the strict comparison operator (===)
 - The values must be of the same type to match
- A strict comparison can only be true if the operands are of the same type
- In the following examples show the correct value for the variable x and the incorrect value for the variable x
 - The results show the resulting output
 - The output is Off and No value found



The Output

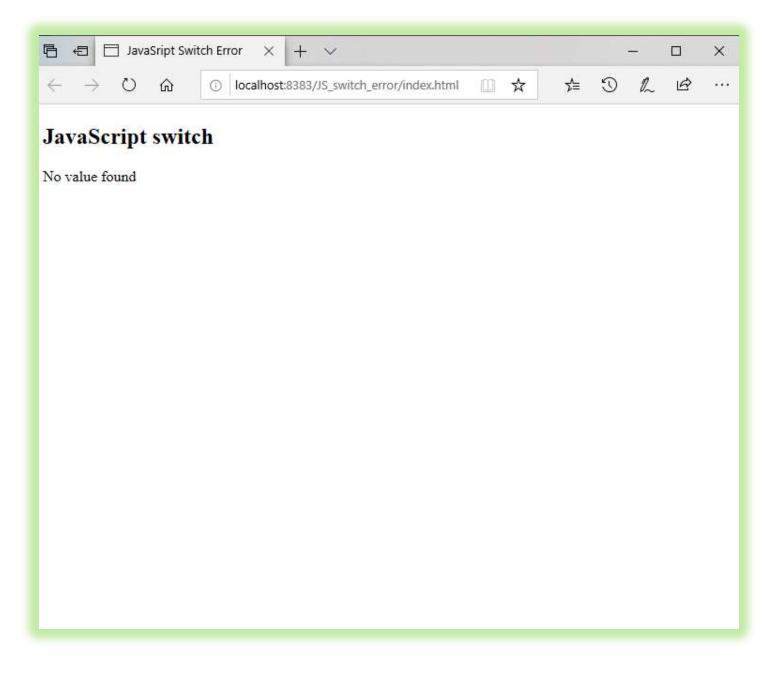
- The output shown in the Microsoft Edge browser
- The result shows:
 - The output using an integer as the value for the variable





The Output

- The output shown in the Microsoft Edge browser
- The result shows:
 - The output using a string as the value for the variable
 - The result shows the error in the variable value



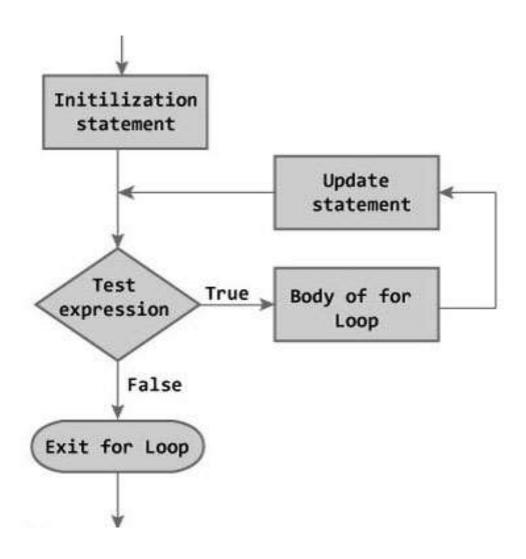
```
Iteration (loops)
for / for...in / while / do...while
```

Iteration Operations

- Iteration operations fall under four approaches
 - A for loop
 - combines the *initialisation* and *increment expressions* with the loop *conditional* expression
 - A for...in loop
 - loops through the properties of a specified object
 - A while loop
 - statement is a basic loop which repeatedly executes a statement while an expression is true
 - A do while loop
 - Repeatedly executes a statement while an expression is true
 - It is similar to the while loop except that the loop condition appears (and is tested) at the bottom of the loop
 - This means that the body of the loop is always executed at least once
- The following slides illustrate the basic syntax with worked examples

For

For Loop Logic Model



for loop

• The syntax for a **for** loop is as follows:

```
for ( initialise ; test ; update) {
    statement
}
```

- The **for** loop:
 - Repeatedly executes the { statement } while the test expression is true
- The for loop evaluates the *initialise* expression once before starting the loop
- The for loop then evaluates the update expression at the termination of each iteration

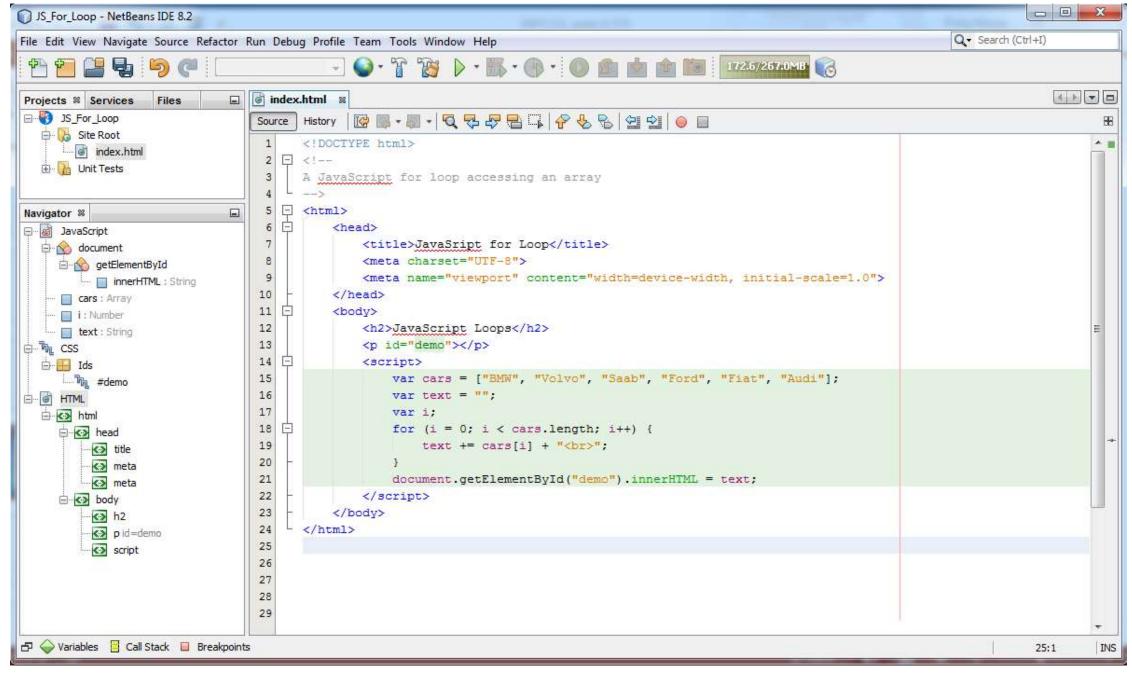
for loop

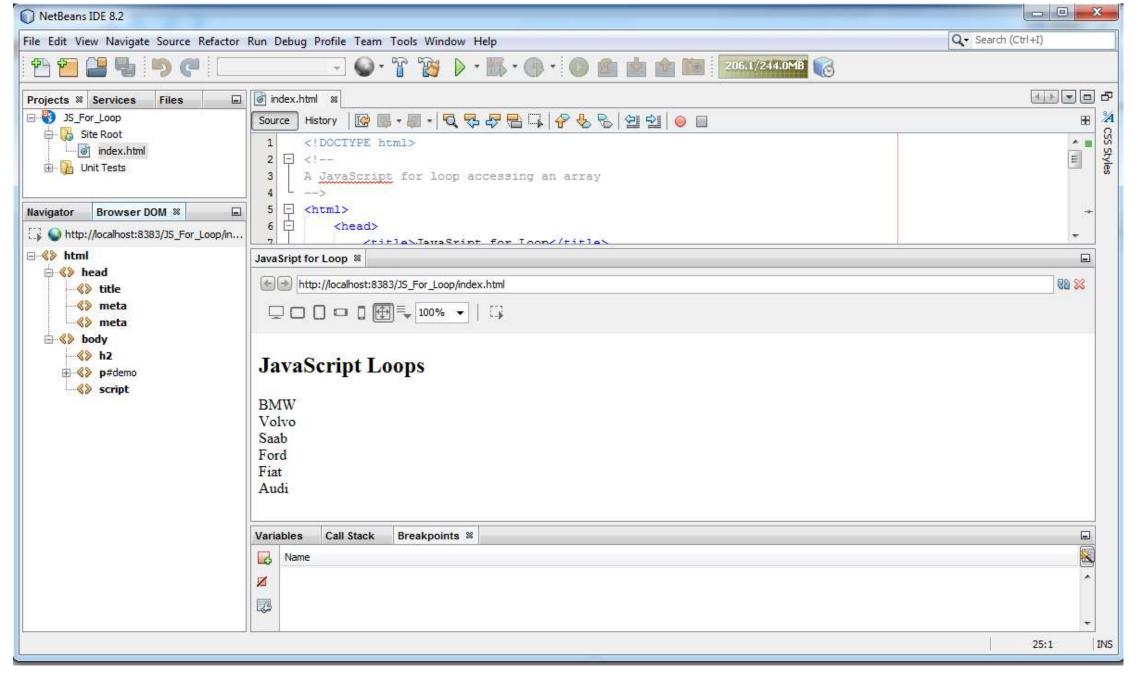
- For example the two code snippets produce the same result
- Individual array element access

```
text += cars[0] + "<br>";
text += cars[1] + "<br>";
text += cars[2] + "<br>";
```

Accessing array elements using a loop

```
for (i = 0; i < cars.length; i++) {
    text += cars[i] + "<br>};
}
```





for...in Loop

- JavaScript uses a for...in loop
- The syntax is different from a normal for loop
- The prototype syntax for a **for**...**in** loop is as follows:

```
for ( variable in object ) {
    statement
}
```

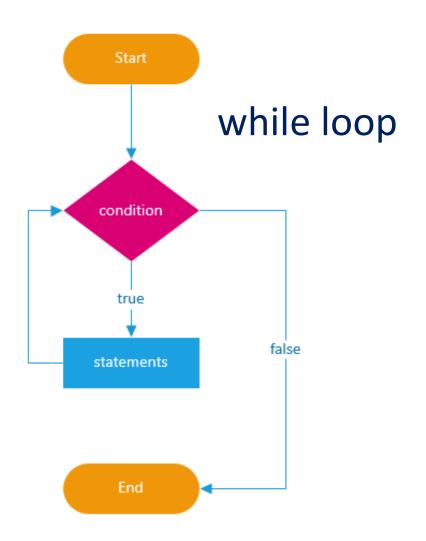
• The following worked example demonstrates the **for** ... **in** loop

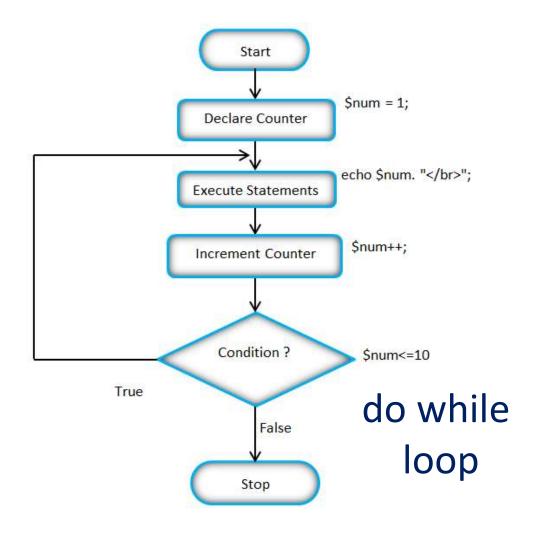
For ... in Loop

- The for ... in loop iterates over an object:
 - It executes a statement once for each property in an object
 - Each time through the **for** ... **in** loop is assigns the name of the current property to a specified variable
 - Some properties of pre-defined JavaScript objects are not enumerated by the for ... in loop
 - User defined properties are always enumerated
- The following example demonstrates the for ... in loop

While

While Loop Logic Models





while / do...while Loops

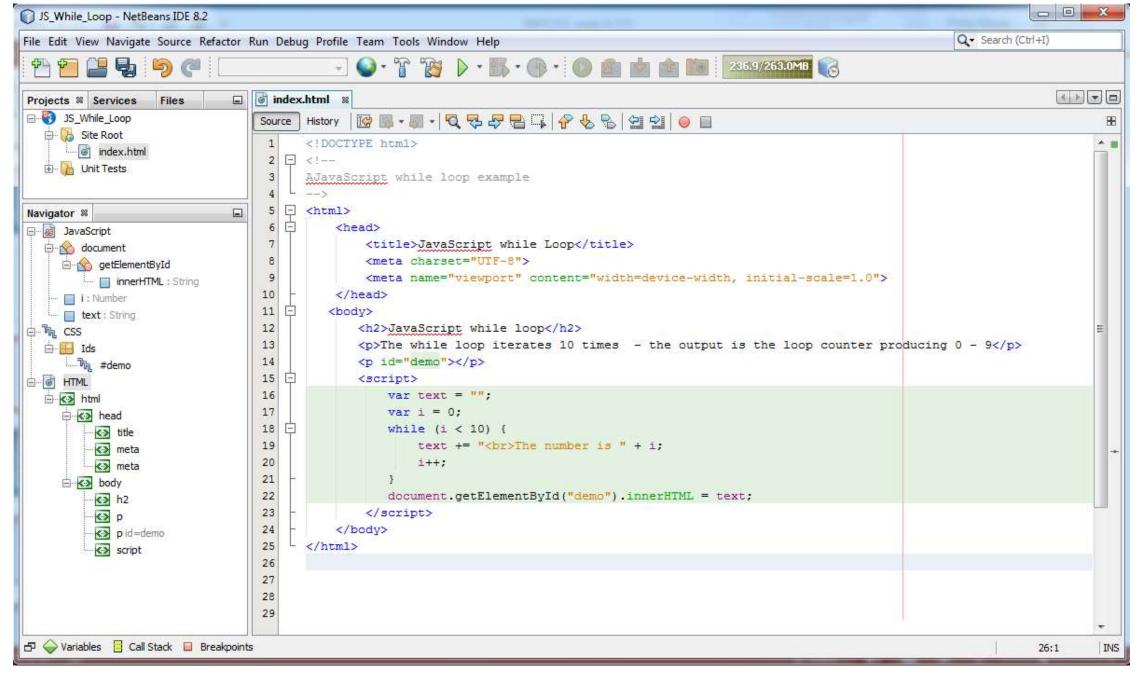
• The syntax for a **while** loop is as follows

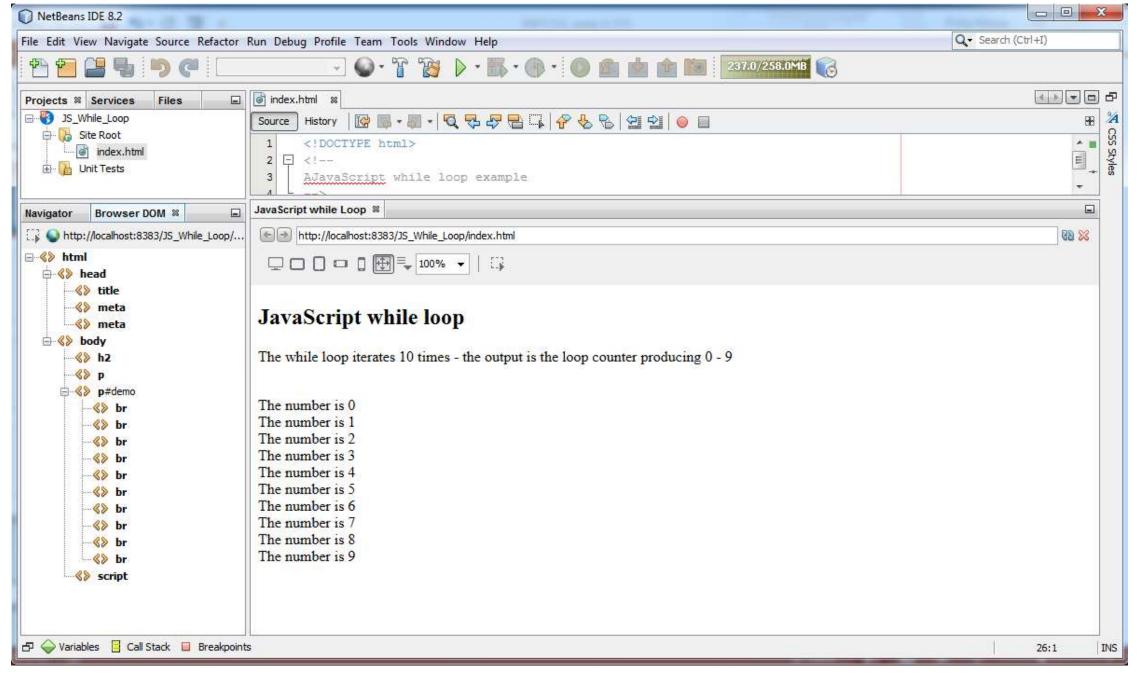
```
while ( expression ) {
    statement
}
```

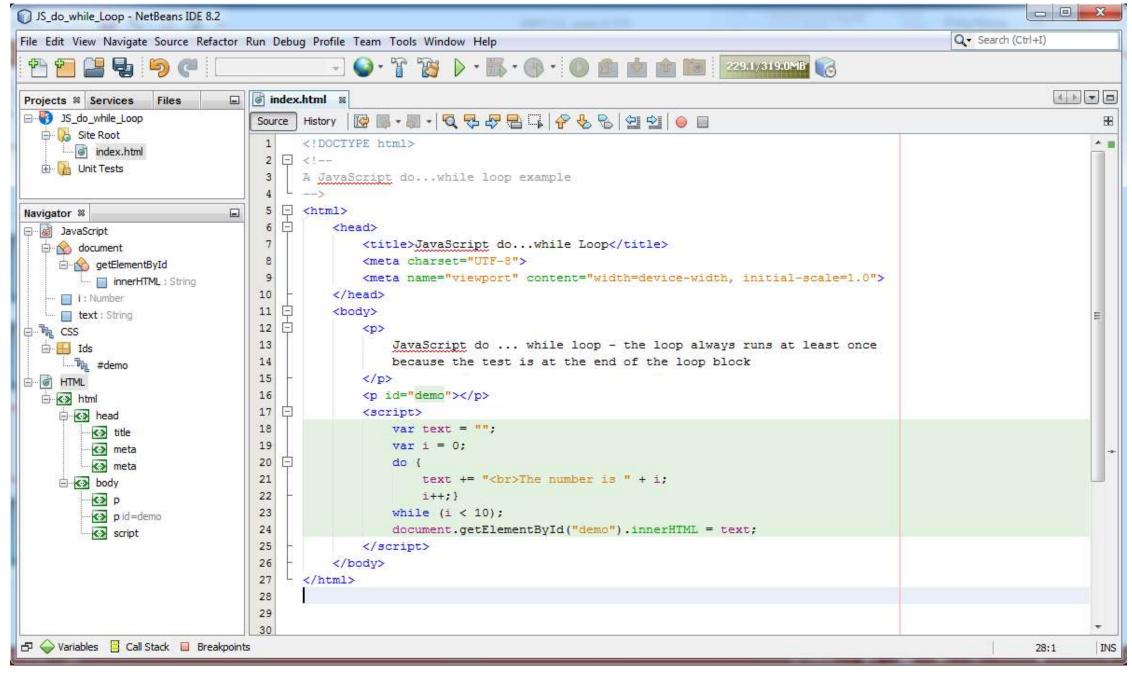
The syntax for a do...while loop is as follows

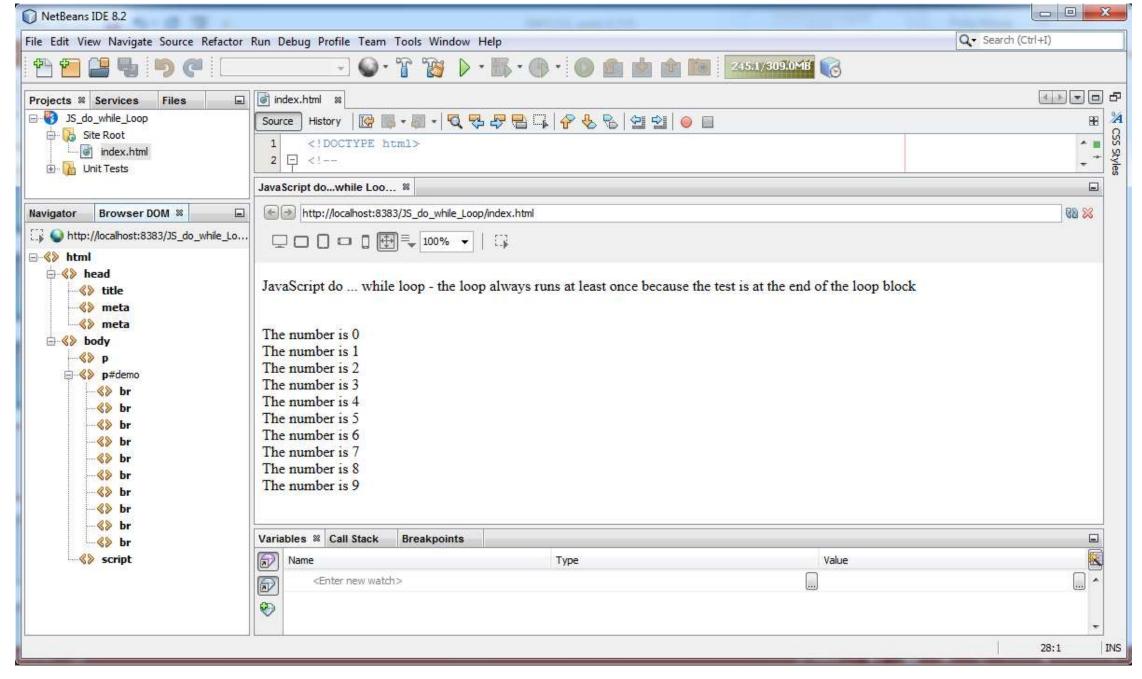
```
do{
    statement
} while ( expression );
```

• The following worked examples show the **while** and **do...while** loops

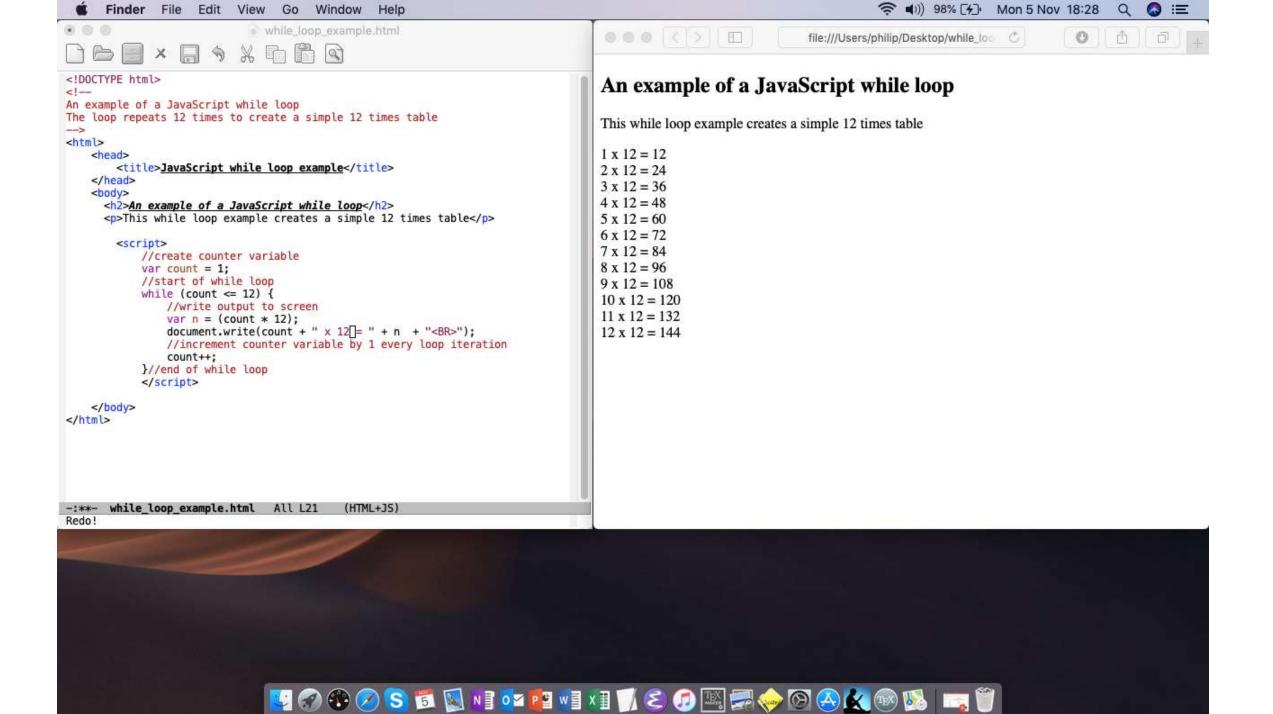


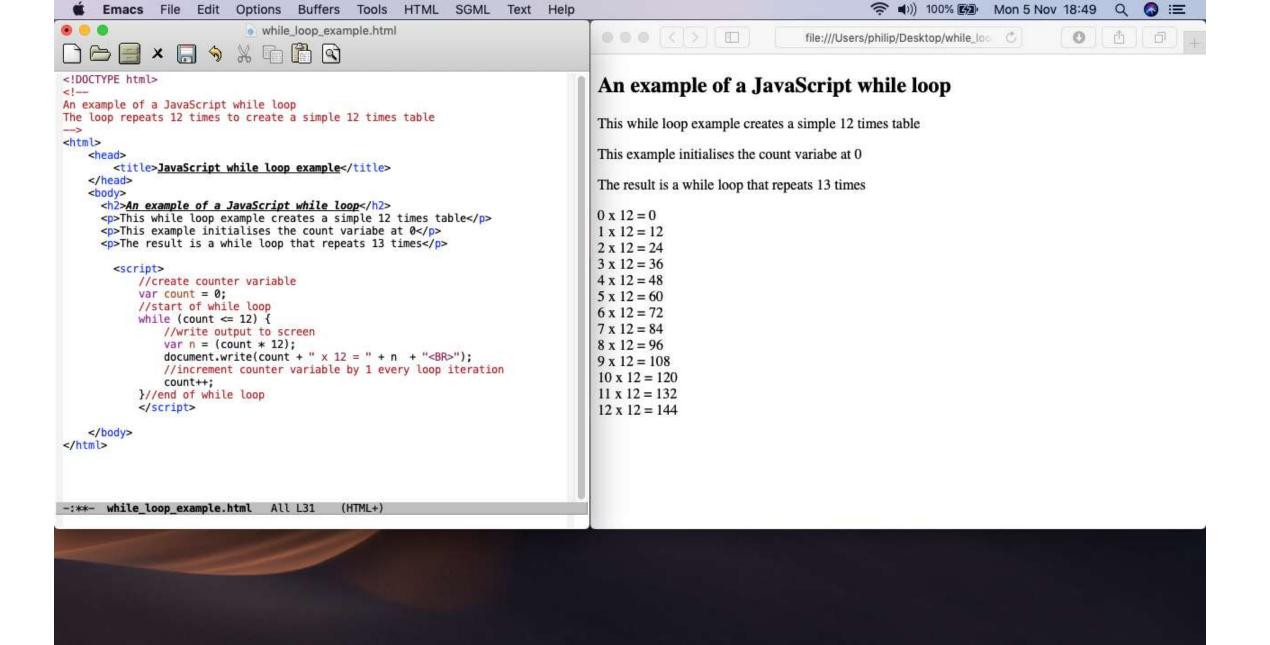






Worked while Loop Examples





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Nesting

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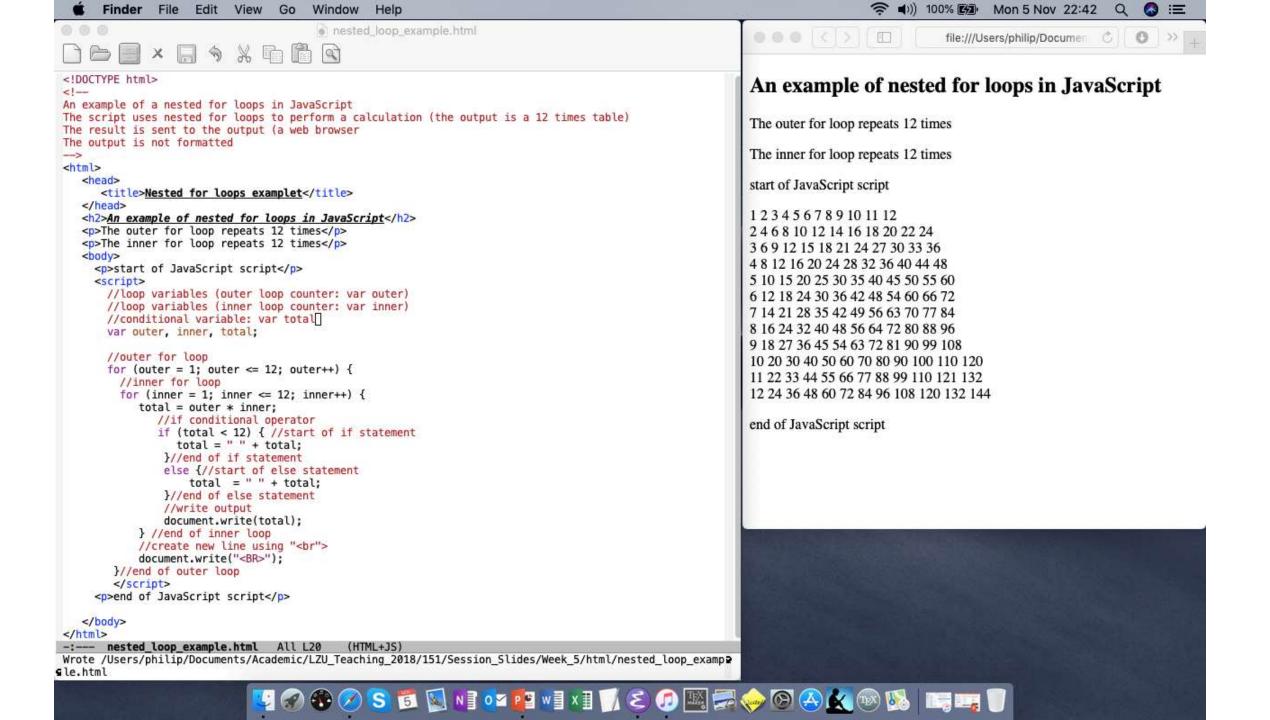
- Simple output can be achieved with a *single* statement (see slides 69 and 70)
- More complex output requires multiple statements (see slide 74)
 - The use of multiple statements is termed nesting
 - Generally: the number of multiple statements should be limited for example: two / three for loops is adequate
- Nesting can use the selection (if) and iteration (for / while) statements
- The following worked examples demonstrate *nested* for loop *JavaScript* program code with the output
 - Note: the outer and inner for loops in a nested structure

Nested for loop

 The following code snippet shows a nested for loop – the syntax prototype is as follows:

```
for ( initialise ; test ; update) {
    statement
    for ( initialise ; test ; update) {
        statement
    }
}
```

Worked Nested for Loop Example



Review

- In this session we have provided:
 - An overview of:
 - The basic principles of Objects and Object-Oriented Programming
 - Inheritance in Object-Oriented Programming
 - Selection:
 - Using conditional operators to select from a range of alternatives with worked examples
 - Iteration:
 - Using loops to repeat a program run until a condition is satisfied or a termination criteria is reached with worked examples
 - Using multiple statements in a nested structure