

JavaScript Learning – the basic skills

Motivation:

1. Growing need of JavaScript (web app) developer
2. Available to deal with different requests
3. A lot of open sources libraries and variations



Future steps might happen:

1. Link the app to MySQL database to store user and each game
2. Change the game from word-base and word-input to GUI base and mouse input
3. Use react.js to turn it into a mobile app

Materials:

1. FreeCodeCamp.com
 - A coding tutorial website and form for JavaScript only
2. You don't know JS by Kyle Simpson
 - A series of books about JavaScript that is free on Github

Project:

To convert a console-based pentago game with AI into JavaScript based to study coding in JavaScript and the object-oriented JavaScript. If there is more time try to implement GUI interface, linked it with database, and use React.js to turn it into a mobile app.

User Cases:

1. To choose stones (black/White)
 - a. select the stone the user wants to play
 - b. Click submit button
2. To play the game
 - place (1-4): place (1-9): plate to rotate (1-4): left/right (l/r):
3. To generate AI's step
 - a. Enter 4 values for step and rotation respectively
 - b. Click on submit
 - c. Detect if the user win
 - d. If the user wins, end the game
 - e. If not, continue to the AI step
3. To generate AI's step
 - a. After the user move is done, AI takes in the current state
 - b. AI generate all the possible steps to choose the best result (due to the scoring system)
 - c. AI output the result onto the website.

Welcome to Pentago! Please select black stone if you want to go first.

☐ Black
☐ White

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* _ _ _ *
* _ _ _ *
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*   b   *
* _ _ _ *
* _ _ _ *
*   w   *
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An important point:

There are 6 ways to create an object in JavaScript:

- a) Object Constructor
 - variable
- b) Literal constructor
 - variable
- c) Function constructor
 - constructor
- d) Prototype constructor
 - constructor
- e) Function/prototype combination
 - Constructor
- f) Singleton
 - creates a variable,

Summary:

JavaScript is a modern scripting language which is easy to use (need just JavaScript engine which is implemented in any modern web browser), cross-platform (base on the browser not the system), and powerful to use (with different variations and libraries to increase its power). However, it is just a starting point of the whole JavaScript series. As a scripting language, it is embedded in all areas: MongoDB, Unity, Chrome extensions and many other programs. Thus, JavaScript is an