

DOM: Document Object Model

- **browser presents an object interface**
 - accessible from and modifiable by Javascript
- **DOM entities have methods, properties, events**
 - element properties can be accessed & changed
 - elements can be added or removed
- **document object holds page contents**
 - elements stored in a tree: HTML tags, attributes, text, code, ...
 - each element is accessible through the DOM
 - through functions called from Javascript
- **page is "reflowed" (smart redraw) when anything changes**
- **window object also has methods, properties, events**
 - alert(msg), prompt(msg), open(url), ...
 - size, position, history, status bar, ...
 - onload, onunload, ...
 - window.document: the document displayed

Basic events on forms

```
<head>
  <script>
    function setfocus() { document.srch.q.focus(); }
  </script>
</head>
<body onload='setfocus();'>
  <H1>Basic events on forms</H1>
  <form name=srch
    action="http://www.google.com/search?q="+srch.q.value>
    <input type=text size=25
      id=q name=q value="" onmouseover='setfocus()'>
    <input type=button value="Google" name=but
      onclick='window.location="http://www.google.com/
        search?q="+srch.q.value'>
    <input type=button value="Wikipedia" name=but
      onclick='window.location="http://en.wikipedia.com/
        wiki/"+srch.q.value'>
    <input type=reset onclick='srch.q.value=""' >
  </form>
```

A screenshot of a web browser interface. At the top, there is a search bar containing the text "chris eisgruber". To the right of the search bar are three buttons: "Google", "Wikipedia", and "Reset". The search bar and buttons are highlighted with a yellow background. Below the screenshot, the HTML code for the page is displayed, showing the JavaScript function setfocus() and the HTML structure of the form and buttons.

More examples...

- **in a form:**

```
<form>
  <input type=button value="Hit me"
    onClick='alert("Ouch! That hurt.")'> <P>
  <input type=text name=url size=40 value="http://">
  <input type=button value="open"
    onClick='window.open(url.value) ' > <P>
  <input type=text name=url2 size=40 value="http://">
  <input type=button value="load"
    onClick='window.location=url2.value'> <P>
  <input type=button value="color it "
    onClick='document.bgColor=color.value'>
  <input type=text name=color value='type a color'>
  <input type=button value='make it white'
    onClick='document.bgColor="white" ' >
</form>
```

- **in a tag**

```
<body onLoad='alert("Welcome to my page")'>
```

- **on an image**

```

```

- **etc.**

Dynamic CSS

- **style properties can be set dynamically**
 - color, alignment, border, margins, padding, ...
 - for individual elements, or all elements of a type, or of a given name
 - can be queried and set by Javascript

```
<script>
  window.onload = function() {
    var p = document.getElementsByTagName("P");
    for (var i = 0; i < p.length; i++) {
      p[i].onmouseover = function() {
        this.style.backgroundColor = "#deadbe";
      };
      p[i].onmouseout = function() {
        this.style.backgroundColor = "white";
      };
    }
  }
</script>
```

CSS dynamic positioning

- **DOM elements have "style" attributes for positioning**
 - a separate component of CSS
 - provides direct control of where elements are placed on page
 - elements can overlap other elements
on separate layers
- **basis of animation, drag & drop**
- **often controlled by Javascript**

```

```

```
var dog = document.getElementById("dog")
dog.style.left = 300 * Math.random() + "px"
dog.style.top = 300 * Math.random() + "px"
```

XMLHttpRequest ("XHR")

- **interactions between client and server are usually synchronous**
 - there can be significant delay
 - page has to be completely redrawn
- **XMLHttpRequest provides asynchronous communication with server**
 - often no visible delay
 - page does not have to be completely redrawn
- **first widespread use in Google Suggest, Maps, Gmail (Feb 2005)**
 - "The real importance of Google's map and satellite program, however, is not its impressive exterior but the novel technology, known as Ajax, that lies beneath." (James Fallows, *NY Times*, 4/17/05)
- **Ajax: Asynchronous Javascript and XML**
 - (shorthand/marketing/buzzword term coined 2/05)
 - (X)HTML + CSS for presentation
 - DOM for changing display
 - Javascript to implement client actions
 - XML for data exchange with server (but it doesn't have to use XML)
 - "server agnostic": server can use any technology

Google "suggest", "instant"

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A Shirley Temple is a non-alcoholic mixed drink made with two parts; ginger ...

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Wikipedia

Born: April 23, 1928 (age 84), [Santa Monica](#)

Ajax interface to Princeton directory

```
<h1> unPhonebook</h1>
```

```
<form name=phone>
```

Type here:

```
<input type="text" id="pat" onkeyup='geturl(pat.value);' >
```

```
</form>
```

```
<pre id="place"></pre>
```

unPhonebook

Type here:

Brian W Kernighan (bwk) 609-258-2089 311 Computer Science Building Comput

Basic structure of Ajax code in browser

```
var req;
function geturl(s) {
    if (s.length > 1) {
        url = 'http://www.cs.princeton.edu/~bwk/phone3.cgi?' + s;
        loadXMLDoc(url); // loads asynchronously
    }
}
function loadXMLDoc(url) {
    req = new XMLHttpRequest();
    if (req) {
        req.onreadystatechange = processReqChange;
        req.open("GET", url);
        req.send(null);
    }
}
function processReqChange() {
    if (req.readyState == 4) { // completed request
        if (req.status == 200) // successful
            show(req.responseText); // could be responseXML
    }
}
function show(s) { // show whatever came back
    document.getElementById("place").innerHTML = s
}
```

XHR with nested function definition

```
function loadXMLDoc(url) {
    req = new XMLHttpRequest();
    if (req) {
        req.onreadystatechange = function() {
            window.status = req.statusText;
            if (req.readyState == 4) { // completed request
                if (req.status == 200) // successful
                    show(req.responseText);
            }
        };
        req.open("GET", url);
        req.send(null);
    }
}
```

Callbacks

- **callback: a function that is passed as an argument to another function, and executed sometime later**
 - functions can be passed around like variables
 - e.g., function pointers in C; like ordinary variables in most languages
- **extensively used in Javascript because we don't want the browser to block waiting for response**

Server script (phone2.cgi)

```
q1=`echo $QUERY_STRING | gawk '{split($0,x,"%20"); print x[1]}'`
q2=`echo $QUERY_STRING | gawk '{split($0,x,"%20"); print x[2]}'`
/usr/local/bin/ldapsearch -x -h ldap.princeton.edu -u -b \
    o='Princeton University,c=US' "(cn=*$q1*)" uid cn telephoneNumber \
        studenttelephoneNumber studentstreet street ou |
php -r '
while (!feof(STDIN)) {
    $d = (fgets(STDIN));
    if (preg_match("/^#/",$d)) continue;
    if (preg_match("/^dn:|^ufn:/",$d)) continue;
    if (preg_match("/^cn:/",$d))
        if (strlen($d) > strlen($cn)) $cn = $d;
    if (preg_match("/telephoneNumber|street/",$d))
        $out = $out . " " . trim($d);
    if (preg_match("/^ou:/",$d)) $out = $out . " " . trim($d);
    if (strlen(trim($d))==0 && strlen($cn . $out) > 0) {
        $out = trim($cn) . " " . $out;
        $out = preg_replace("/Undergraduate Class of/","", $out);
        $out = preg_replace("/cn:|ou:|telephoneNumber:|(student)?street:/","", $out);
        $out = preg_replace("/@Princeton.EDU/","", $out);
        print "$out\n";
        $out = $cn = "";
    }
}' | grep -i ".*$q2" | sed -e /Success/d
```

Simpler server script (phone3.cgi)

```
#!/bin/sh
```

```
echo "Content-Type: text/html"; echo
```

```
q1=`echo $QUERY_STRING |
```

```
    gawk '{ n=split($0, x, "%20"); print x[1]}'`
```

```
q2=`echo $QUERY_STRING |
```

```
    gawk '{ n=split($0, x, "%20"); print x[2]}'`
```

```
q3=`echo $QUERY_STRING |
```

```
    gawk '{ n=split($0, x, "%20"); print x[3]}'`
```

```
grep -i "$q1" phone.txt |
```

```
grep -i ".$q2" |
```

```
grep -i ".$q3"
```

- works on precomputed data file

Libraries, API's, Frameworks

- browsers are not perfectly standardized
- DOM and CSS coding is messy and complicated
- web services are ever more complex

- how do we make it easy to create applications?

- libraries of common Javascript operations
 - especially access to DOM

- packages for layout with CSS

- API's, often Javascript, to access services

- frameworks: development environments for integrated client & server programming

Javascript libraries

- **library of Javascript functions that typically provides**
 - easier access to DOM
 - convenience functions for arrays, iterators, etc.
 - uniform interface to Ajax
 - visual effects like fading, flying, folding, ...
 - drag and drop
 - in-place editing
 - extensive set of widgets: calendar, slider, progress bar, tabs, ...
- **there are lots of such libraries**
 - jQuery, jQueryUI, Dojo, Yahoo User Interface (YUI), mooTools, Prototype / Scriptaculous, ...
- **see <http://code.google.com/apis/libraries/>**
 - single library for uniform access to ~10 Javascript libraries
 - experiment at <http://code.google.com/apis/ajax/playground>

jQuery example

```
<script>
  function geturl(s) {
    if (s.length > 1) {
      var url = 'http://www.cs.princeton.edu/
                ~bwk/phone3.cgi?' + s;
      $.get(url, function(res) {
        $('pre').empty().append(res);
      });
    }
  }
</script>
<form name=phone>
Type here:
  <input type="text" id="pat" onkeyup='geturl(pat.value);'>
</form>
<pre id="place"></pre>
```