

Internet Programming

JavaScript Functions, Objects, Arrays

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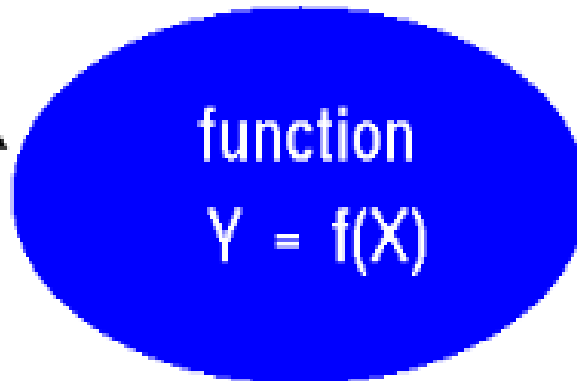
Functions

- There are many built in functions, and these are associated with built in (standard) objects:
 - `object.function (...)`;
- Some objects and functions are relatively “standard”, and some are browser specific
- We have already used several object’s functions: `document`, `window`, `Date`, ...
- You can define your own functions and objects also !

Functions (con't)

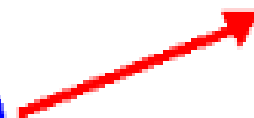
Input Variable(s)

X



Output Variable

Y



Examples:

$\sin(x)$

$\exp(x)$

e^x

$x^3 + x^2 + 5x + 12$

$\cos(x)$

$\ln(x)$

$\sqrt[2]{x}$

$\cosh(x)$

$\tan(x)$

$\tan^{-1}(x)$

$x!$

User Functions

- You can make **user defined** functions, just like in C/C++ or Java:
 - `function myFunction(optional arguments)`
 - `{`
 - `...code...`
 - `return (optionally a variable)`
 - `}`
- Function scripts can be placed anywhere, **but are best placed in the head section**
- Functions are the normal (and **recommended**) way to use JS

User Functions (con't)

- Example:

- function multFunc (n1, n2)
 - {
 - n3 = n1 * n2;
 - return n3;
 - }

Functions (con't)

```
function multFunc (n1, n2) {  
    • n3 = n1 * n2;  
    • return n3;  
}
```

- Unlike C/C++/Java, there is no return type specified nor argument typing
- Variables defined within a function are local to that function and cannot be seen outside (i.e. n3 in above example)
- Functions are called (invoked) as:
 - `z = multFunc(x, y);`
- Function arguments of type numeric or Boolean are passed by value (function makes a separate copy); string, array, and object arguments are passed by reference (address)

Class Exercise

- Rewrite the previous class exercise of two input numbers being multiplied together and then result displayed
 - Can use your version with or without error checking
- In this new version use a function [i.e. “mult (n1, n2)”] to do the multiplication

- Try to work class exercises without looking ahead !



Exercise:

```
■ <HTML>
■ <HEAD><TITLE>Function</TITLE>
■ </HEAD>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     function mult (x1, x2) {
■         return x1 * x2;
■     }
■     var n1, n2, s1, s2;
■     s1 = window.prompt("Enter first number:", "0");
■     s2 = window.prompt("Enter second number:", "0");
■     n1 = parseInt(s1);
■     n2 = parseInt(s2);
■     var n3 = mult (n1, n2);
■     document.writeln("<H1>The product of these numbers is:
■ " + n3 + "</H1>");
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ <BODY></BODY></HTML>
```

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■ </BODY></HTML>
```

A Better Way,
place JS function
in HEAD

Global Scope

- Variables declared Globally (outside any function) have Global Scope.
 - Example
 - `var carName = "Volvo";`
 - `// code here can use carName`
 - ...
 - `function myFunction() {`
 - `// code here can also use carName`
 - `}`

Function Scope

- Variables declared Locally (inside a function) have Function Scope.
- Example
 - `// code here can NOT use carName`
 - `...`
 - `function myFunction() {`
 - `var carName = "Volvo";`
 - `// code here CAN use carName`
 - `}`
 - `// code here can NOT use carName`

Block Scope

- Variables declared with the **var** keyword cannot have Block Scope
- Variables declared inside a block `{}` can be accessed from outside the block, example:
 - `{`
 - `var x = 2;`
 - `}`
 - `// x CAN be used here`
- Variables declared with the **let** keyword can have Block Scope
- Variables declared inside a block `{}` cannot be accessed from outside the block, example:
 - `{`
 - `let x = 2;`
 - `}`
 - `// x can NOT be used here`

JS Global Functions

[a part of JS's global object]

- `var s1 = escape(s2)`
 - Encodes string s2 into string s1 replacing all punctuation and non-ASCII characters with hexadecimal codes
- `eval(s1)`
 - Takes the string representation of JS code (s1) and executes it; **provides for dynamic JS code generation**
- `isFinite(n1)`
 - Returns true if n1 is within allowable number range

JS Global Functions (con't)

- `isNaN(n1)`
 - Returns true if `n1` is not a number
- `var n1 = parseFloat(s1)`
 - Converts string to float, returns NaN if `s1` is not numeric
- `var n1 = parseInt(s1)`
 - Converts string to integer, returns NaN if `s1` is not numeric
- `var s1 = unescape(s2)`
 - Opposite of `escape`

Timing Functions

- `setInterval (function, interval)` – this function will invoke another function **over and over again** every so many milliseconds
- `setTimeout(function, interval)` – same as `setInterval`, but will only invoke the function one time
- Example:
 - `window.setInterval("myfun()", 100);`

Timing Functions (con't)

- **Time-delayed command** - run after a specified amount of time has passed
- Time delay is defined using the following:

```
setTimeout("command", delay);
```

where *command* is a JavaScript command and *delay* is the delay time in milliseconds before a browser runs the command
- The command must be placed within either double or single quotation marks

Timing Functions (con't)

- To cancel a time-delayed command:

```
clearTimeout();
```

- Browser can process unlimited number of time-delayed commands
- Can assign a unique identification number to distinguish commands

```
var timeID = setTimeout("command",  
delay);
```

where *timeID* is a variable that stores the ID of the time-delayed command

Timing Functions (con't)

- A timed-interval command instructs browsers to run a command repeatedly at a specified interval

- Timed-interval command syntax:

```
setInterval("command", interval);
```

where *interval* is the interval in milliseconds before the command is run again

- Timed-interval commands are halted using the following statement:

```
clearInterval();
```

Timing Functions (con't)

- Distinguish one timed-interval command from another by storing the time ID in a variable

```
var timeID = setInterval("command",  
interval);
```

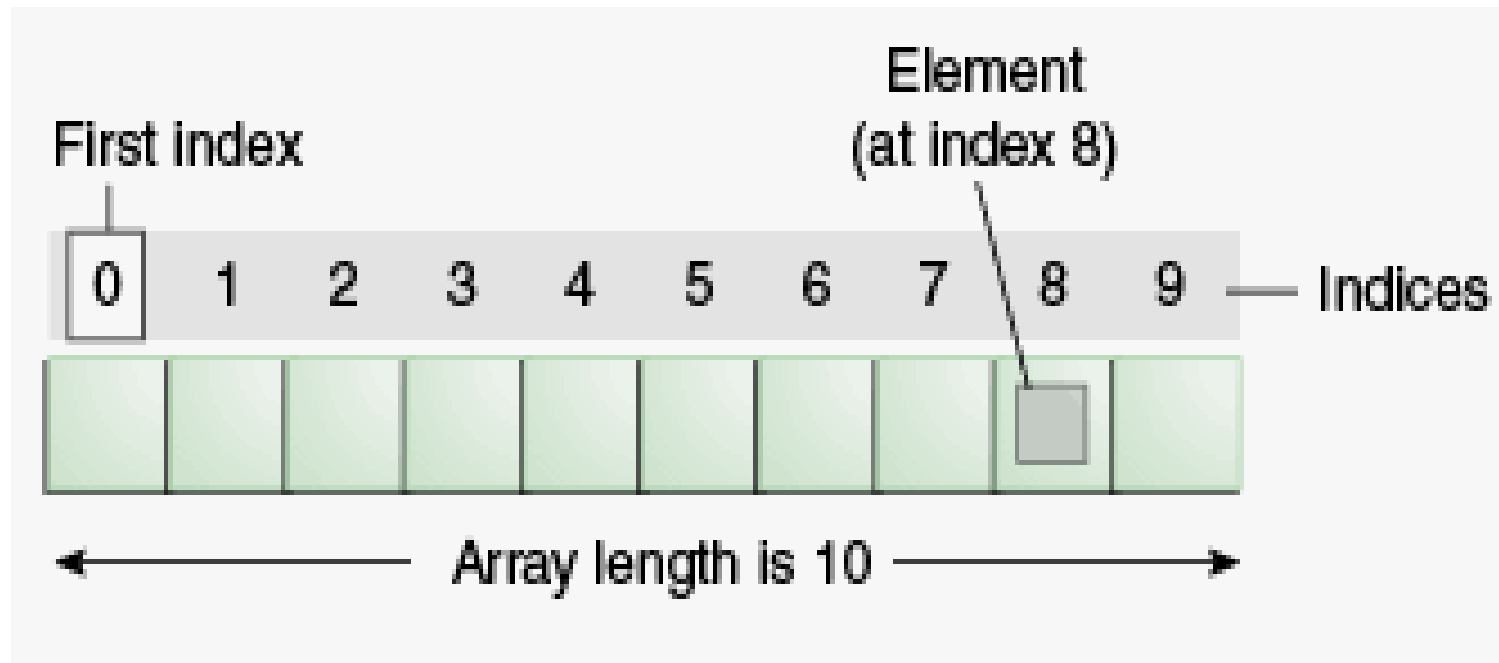
- Halt the timed-interval command by applying the `clearInterval()` method with *timeID* as the parameter value:

```
clearInterval(timeID);
```

Arrays

- You can have arrays of numbers, strings, or even objects
 - `var a = new Array (100);` // a is starting address
 - `var b = new Array ();` // no initial size specified
 - `var c = new Array ("cyan", "magenta", "yellow");`
 - `var d = [3, 6, 9, 12];`
 - `var e = [3, , , 12];` // not all elements known initially
- Array **index numbering starts at zero**:
 - `x[0] = ...;`
- Arrays can grow (no need to use 'malloc' or 'new' like in C/C++)

Arrays (con't)



Array & Loop Example

```
■ <HTML>
■ <HEAD><TITLE>Array Example</TITLE>
■ </HEAD>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     document.writeln("<H1>My Pets</H1>");
■     var names = new Array ("Rufus", "MaryJo", "Beaudraux");
■     for (i=0; i<names.length; i++) {
■         document.writeln("<P><H2>" + names[i] +
■         "</H2>");
■     }
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ <BODY></BODY></HTML>
```

My Pets

Rufus

MaryJo

Beaudraux

Class Exercise

- Extend the previous example to include an age for each pet (**in another array**), and display the information using an HTML table:

- | My Pets | |
|-----------|-----|
| Name | Age |
| Rufus | 3 |
| MaryJo | 5 |
| Beaudraux | 2 |

- **Hint follows...**

■ Hint:

- `var names = new Array ("Rufus",
"MaryJo", "Beaudraux");`
- `var ages = [3, 5, 2];`

- Try to work class exercises without looking ahead !



My Pets

Name	Age
Rufus	3
MaryJo	5
Beaudraux	2

```
■ <HTML>
■ <HEAD><TITLE>Array Example</TITLE>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     var names = new Array ("Rufus", "MaryJo", "Beaudraux");
■     var ages = [3, 5, 2];
■     document.writeln("<H1>My Pets</H1>");
■     document.writeln("<TABLE><TR Align='Center'><TH
Width='100'><H2>Name</H2></TH>");
■     document.writeln("<TH Width = '100'><H2>Age</H2></TH></TR><H3>");
■     for (i=0; i<names.length; i++) {
■         document.writeln("<TR Align='Center'><TD>" + names[i]);
■         document.writeln("</TD><TD>" + ages[i] + "</TD></TR>");
■     }
■     document.writeln("</H3></TABLE>");
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT></HEAD>
■ <BODY></BODY></HTML>
```

ArrayExample2.html

Mixing HTML & JS

```
■ <HTML>
■ <HEAD><TITLE>Array Example</TITLE>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     var names = new Array ("Rufus", "MaryJo", "Beaudraux");
■     var ages = [3, 5, 2];
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ </HEAD>
■ <BODY>
■ <H1>My Pets</H1>
■ <TABLE><TR Align='Center'><TH Width='100'><H2>Name</H2></TH><TH
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■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     for (i=0; i<names.length; i++) {
■         document.writeln("<TR Align='Center'><TD>" + names[i]
■ + "</TD><TD>" + ages[i] + "</TD></TR>");
■     }
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ </H3></TABLE>
■ </BODY></HTML>
```

ArrayExample3.html

Using JS Functions & Arrays

```
■ <HTML>
■ <HEAD><TITLE>Array Example</TITLE>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     var names = new Array ("Rufus", "MaryJo", "Beaudraux");
■     var ages = [3, 5, 2];
■     function writeRow(n, a) {
■         document.writeln("<TR Align='Center'><TD>" + n + "</TD><TD>" + a
■         + "</TD></TR>");
■     }
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ </HEAD>
■ <BODY>
■ <H1>My Pets</H1>
■ <TABLE><TR Align='Center'><TH Width='100'><H2>Name</H2></TH><TH Width =
■ '100'><H2>Age</H2></TH></TR><H3>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     for (i=0; i<names.length; i++) {
■         writeRow (names[i], ages[i]);
■     }
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ </H3></TABLE>
■ </BODY></HTML>
```

ArrayExample4.html

Image Arrays

- One can have the images in a page stored in an array
- This also speeds up the image loading process, by “preloading” the images:
 - `<SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">`
 - `if (document.images) {`
 - `images[0]=new Image(); images[0].src="myImg0.gif";`
 - `images[1]=new Image(); images[1].src="myImg1.gif";`
 - `images[2]=new Image(); images[2].src="myImg2.gif";`
 - `}`
 - `</SCRIPT>`

Mixing Data Types

- Array values need not be of the same data type
- Mix of numeric values, text strings, and other data types within a single array is allowed, **but not recommended**
- Example

```
var x = ["April", 3.14, true, null];
```

Changing Order

- Items are placed in an array either in the order in which they are defined or explicitly by index number, by default
- JavaScript supports two methods for changing the order of the array items
 - `reverse()`
 - `sort()`
- `reverse()`: Reverses the order of items in an array, making the last items first and the first items last

Changing Order (con't)

- The `sort()` method casts elements to strings and compares the strings to determine the orders
- Consider the following example:
 - `numbers = [0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 20, 30];`
 - `numbers.sort();`
 - `console.log(numbers);`
- The output is:
 - `[ 0, 1, 10, 2, 20, 3, 30 ]`
- In this example, the `sort()` method places 10 before 2 because the string “10” comes before “2” when doing a string comparison

Numerical Sort

- **Compare function:** Compares values of two adjacent array items

- General form of a compare function is

```
function fname(a, b) {  
    return a negative, positive, or 0  
    value  
}
```

where `fname` is the name of the compare function and `a` and `b` are parameters that represent a pair of array values

Numerical Sort (con't)

- Based on comparison of two adjacent array item values, the function returns a negative, positive, or zero value
 - If a negative value is returned, then a is placed before b in the array
 - If a positive value is returned, then b is placed before a
 - If a zero value is returned, a and b retain their original positions

Numerical Sort (con't)

- Function to sort numeric values in ascending order

```
function ascending(a, b) {  
    return a - b;  
}
```

- Function to sort numbers in descending order

```
function descending(a, b) {  
    return b - a;  
}
```

Numerical Sort (con't)

- The compare function is applied to the `sort()` method as follows

```
array.sort(fname)
```

where `fname` is the name of the compare function

- Example

```
x.sort(ascending)
```

Numerical Sort (con't)

- Using the same example as previously, to sort numerically:
 - `numbers = [0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 20, 30];`
 - `numbers.sort( function( a, b){`
 - `if(a > b) return 1;`
 - `if(a < b) return -1;`
 - `return 0;`
 - `});`
 - `console.log(numbers);`
- Output is:
 - `[ 0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 20, 30 ]`

Numerical Sort (con't)

- using the **arrow function syntax**:
- `let numbers = [0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 20, 30];`
- `numbers.sort((a,b) => {`
- `if(a > b) return 1;`
- `if(a < b) return -1;`
- `return 0;`
- `});`

Extracting and Inserting

- **Subarray:** Section of an array
- To create a subarray use `slice()` method
`array.slice(start, stop)`
where `start` is the index value of the array item at which the slicing starts and `stop` is the index value at which the slicing ends
- The `stop` value is optional; if it is omitted, the array is sliced to its end

Extracting and Inserting (con't)

- `splice()`: Removes and inserts array items

`array.splice(start, size, values)`

`start` is the starting index in the array, `size` is the number of array items to remove after the `start` index, and `values` is an optional comma-separated list of values to insert into the array

- If no `values` are specified, the `splice` method simply removes items from the array
- Always alters the original array

Data Structures

- **Stack:** Arrays can be used to store information in a data structure
- New items are added to the top of the stack or to the end of the array
- A stack data structure employs the **last-in first-out (LIFO)** principle
- In the **LIFO** principle the last items added to the stack are the first ones removed

Data Structures (con't)

- `push()` method: Appends new items to the end of an array

`array.push(values)`

where `values` is a comma-separated list of values to be appended to the end of the array

- `pop()` method: Removes or **unstacks** the last item

`array.pop()`

Data Structures (con't)

- **Queue:** Employs the **first-in-first-out (FIFO)** principle in which the first item added to the data list is the first removed
- Similar to a stack
- `shift()` method: Removes the first array item
- `unshift()` method: Inserts new items at the front of the array

Data Structures (con't)

Method	Description
<code>copyWithin(<i>target</i>, <i>start</i>[, <i>end</i>])</code>	Copies items within the array to the <i>target</i> index, starting with the <i>start</i> index and ending with the optional <i>end</i> index
<code>concat(<i>array1</i>, <i>array2</i>,...)</code>	Joins the array to two or more arrays, creating a single array containing the items from all the arrays
<code>fill(<i>value</i>[, <i>start</i>][, <i>end</i>])</code>	Fills the array with items having the <i>value</i> , starting from the <i>start</i> index and ending at the <i>end</i> index
<code>indexOf(<i>value</i>[, <i>start</i>])</code>	Searches the array, returning the index number of the first element equal to <i>value</i> , starting from the optional <i>start</i> index
<code>join(<i>separator</i>)</code>	Joins all items in the array into a single text string; the array items are separated using the text in the <i>separator</i> parameter; if no <i>separator</i> is specified, a comma is used
<code>lastIndexOf(<i>value</i>[, <i>start</i>])</code>	Searches backward through the array, returning the index number of the first element equal to <i>value</i> , starting from the optional <i>start</i> index
<code>pop()</code>	Removes the last item from the array
<code>push(<i>values</i>)</code>	Appends the array with new items, where <i>values</i> is a comma-separated list of item values

Data Structures (con't)

Method	Description
<code>reverse()</code>	Reverses the order of items in the array
<code>shift()</code>	Removes the first item from the array
<code>slice(start, stop)</code>	Extracts the array items starting with the <i>start</i> index up to the <i>stop</i> index, returning a new subarray
<code>array.splice(start, size, values)</code>	Extracts <i>size</i> items from the array starting with the item with the index <i>start</i> ; to insert new items into the array, specify the array items in a comma-separated <i>values</i> list
<code>array.sort(fname)</code>	Sorts the array where <i>fname</i> is the name of a function that returns a positive, negative, or 0 value; if no function is specified, <i>array</i> is sorted in alphabetical order
<code>array.toString()</code>	Converts the contents of the array to a text string with the array values in a comma-separated list
<code>array.unshift(values)</code>	Inserts new items at the start of the array, where <i>values</i> is a comma-separated list of new values

Multi-Dimensional Arrays

- Define and initialize:
 - `var items = [[1, 2],[3, 4],[5, 6]];`
 - `items[i][j] = k;`
- Define (array of arrays):
 - `var x = new Array(10);`
 - `for (var i = 0; i < 10; i++) {`
 - `x[i] = new Array(20);`
 - `}`
- Set values:
 - `x[5][12] = 3.0;`

		Columns →				
		0	1	2	3	4
Rows ↓	0	5	12	17	9	3
	1	13	4	8	14	1
	2	9	6	3	7	21

2D Array of size 3 x 5

Callbacks for Array Processing

- JavaScript supports several methods to loop through the contents of an array without having to create a program loop structure
- The methods are faster than program loops but may not be supported in older browsers
- Each of these methods is based on calling a function that will be applied to each item in the array

Callbacks (con't)

- The general syntax

```
array.method(callback [, thisArg])
```

where `array` is the array, `method` is the array method, and `callback` is the name of the function that will be applied to each array item

- `thisArg`: A `callback` optional argument that can be included to pass a value to the function

Callbacks (con't)

- General syntax of the callback function

```
function callback(value [, index,  
array]) {  
  commands }
```

where `value` is the value of the array item during each pass through the array, `index` is the numeric index of the current array item, and `array` is the name of the array

- Only the `value` parameter is required; the other are optional

Callbacks (con't)

- `forEach()` method: Runs a function for each item in the array
- General syntax

`array.forEach(callback [, thisArg])`

where `callback` is the function that is applied to each item in the array

Callbacks (con't)

- `map()` method: The function it calls returns a value that can be used to map the contents of an existing array into a new array

- Example

```
var x = [3, 8, 12];  
var y = x.map(DoubleIt);  
function DoubleIt(value) {  
  return 2*value;  
}
```

Callbacks (con't)

- `filter()` method: Extracts array items that match some specified condition
`array.filter(callback [, thisArg])`
where `callback` is a function that returns a Boolean value of `true` or `false` for each item in the array
- Array items that return a value of `true` are copied into the new array

Callbacks (con't)

- `every()` method: Returns the value `true` if every item in the array matches the condition specified by the callback function; if otherwise, returns `false`

```
array.every(callback [, thisArg])
```

- `some()` method: Returns a value of `true` if some array items match a condition specified in the function, but otherwise returns `false` if none of the array items match the condition specified in the function

Callbacks (con't)

Array Method	Description
<code>every(callback [, thisArg])</code>	Tests whether the condition returned by the <i>callback</i> function holds for all items in <i>array</i> ; in all array methods, the optional <i>thisArg</i> parameter is used to pass values to the <i>callback</i> function
<code>filter(callback [, thisArg])</code>	Creates a new array populated with the elements of <i>array</i> that return a value of <i>true</i> from the <i>callback</i> function
<code>forEach(callback [, thisArg])</code>	Applies the <i>callback</i> function to each item in <i>array</i>
<code>map(callback [, thisArg])</code>	Creates a new array by passing the original array items to the <i>callback</i> function, which returns the mapped value of the array items
<code>reduce(callback [, thisArg])</code>	Reduces <i>array</i> by keeping only those items that return a value of <i>true</i> from the <i>callback</i> function

Callbacks (con't)

Array Method	Description
<code>reduceRight(<i>callback</i> [, <i>thisArg</i>])</code>	Reduces <i>array</i> from the last element by keeping only those items that return a value of <i>true</i> from the <i>callback</i> function
<code>some(<i>callback</i> [, <i>thisArg</i>])</code>	Tests whether the condition returned by the <i>callback</i> function holds for at least one item in <i>array</i>
<code>find(<i>callback</i> [, <i>thisArg</i>])</code>	Returns the value of the first element in the array that passes a test in the <i>callback</i> function
<code>findIndex(<i>callback</i> [, <i>thisArg</i>])</code>	Returns the index of the first element in the array that passes a test in the <i>callback</i> function

Standard Object Types

- JS has a number of standard object types (including the browser itself) all of which have methods and properties
- Later we will study the “Document Object Model” in more detail and the standard types involving the HTML document
- The appendix of a later lesson describes the standard JS objects with their properties and methods (except for Date, String, and Math covered in this lesson)

Math Object

- **Math object:** Built-in object used to perform mathematical tasks and store mathematical values

- Syntax to apply a Math method:

`Math.method(expression)`

where *method* is the method applied to a mathematical expression

Math Object (con't)

Method	Description	Example	Returns
<code>Math.abs(x)</code>	Returns the absolute value of x	<code>Math.abs(-5)</code>	5
<code>Math.ceil(x)</code>	Rounds x up to the next highest integer	<code>Math.ceil(3.58)</code>	4
<code>Math.exp(x)</code>	Raises e to the power of x	<code>Math.exp(2)</code>	e^2 (approximately 7.389)
<code>Math.floor(x)</code>	Rounds x down to the next lowest integer	<code>Math.floor(3.58)</code>	3
<code>Math.log(x)</code>	Returns the natural logarithm of x	<code>Math.log(2)</code>	0.693
<code>Math.max(x, y)</code>	Returns the larger of x and y	<code>Math.max(3, 5)</code>	5

Math Object (con't)

Method	Description	Example	Returns
<code>Math.min(x, y)</code>	Returns the smaller of x and y	<code>Math.min(3, 5)</code>	3
<code>Math.pow(x, y)</code>	Returns x raised to the power of y	<code>Math.pow(2, 3)</code>	2^3 (or 8)
<code>Math.rand()</code>	Returns a random number between 0 and 1	<code>Math.rand()</code>	Random number between 0 and 1
<code>Math.round(x)</code>	Rounds x to the nearest integer	<code>Math.round(3.58)</code>	4
<code>Math.sqrt(x)</code>	Returns the square root of x	<code>Math.sqrt(2)</code>	approximately 1.414

Math Object Methods (con't)

- Usage:

- `document.writeln(Math.sqrt(x));`

- For random numbers use:

- `var x = Math.floor(1 + Math.random() * z);`

- x will be a random number between 1 and z

- A number of **constants** are also defined in the Math object:

- `Math.E`, `Math.LN2`, `Math.LN10`, `Math.PI`, ...

Math Constants

- Syntax to access mathematical constants is

`Math.CONSTANT`

where *CONSTANT* is the name of one of the mathematical constants supported by `Math` object

Constant	Description
<code>Math.E</code>	The base of the natural logarithms (2.71828...)
<code>Math.LN10</code>	The natural logarithm of 10 (2.3026...)
<code>Math.LN2</code>	The natural logarithm of 2 (0.6931...)
<code>Math.LOG10E</code>	The base 10 logarithm of <i>e</i> (0.4343...)
<code>Math.LOG2E</code>	The base 2 logarithm of <i>e</i> (1.4427...)
<code>Math.PI</code>	The value of π (3.14159...)
<code>Math.SQRT1_2</code>	The value of 1 divided by the square root of 2 (0.7071...)
<code>Math.SQRT2</code>	The square root of 2 (1.4142 ...)

Common String Object Methods

charAt(index)

return character in string

charCodeAt()

return Unicode in string

concat()

concatenation

- indexOf(char [,offset])
string

returns index of char in

- lastIndexOf(char [,offset])

returns index from rear

- split(delimiter)

parse String into tokens *

- substr(start, length)

returns substring

- substring(start, end)

returns substring

- toLowerCase()

makes string lower case

- toString()

makes another object a String

- toUpperCase()

makes string upper case

- tt()

makes string monospaced (teletype)

- * 'strtok' in C/C++, or StringTokenizer in Java

String Methods that Generate HTML

[wrap object string in HTML tags]

big()	make string a larger font
■ blink()	make string blink
■ bold()	makes string bold
■ fixed()	makes teletype string
■ fontcolor(color)	sets color of string
■ fontsize(size)	sets size of string
■ italics()	makes Italics tag set
■ link()	wraps in anchor tags
■ small()	use smaller font for string
■ strike()	wraps in STRIKE tag
■ sub()	make string a subscript
■ sup()	makes string a superscript

Date Object

- **Date object:** Built-in JavaScript object used to store information about dates and times
- Defined using the following expression:

```
new Date("month day, year  
hrs:mins:secs");
```

where *month*, *day*, *year*, *hrs*, *mins*, and *secs* provide the Date object's date and time

```
var currentDay = new Date("May 23, 2021 14:35:05");
```

declares the
currentDay variable

creates a
Date object

date and time stored
in the Date object

Common Date Object Methods

- `getDate()` returns day of month in Date
- `getDay()` returns day of week
- `getMinutes()` return minutes
- `getSeconds()` returns seconds
- `getTime()` returns milliseconds past Epoch
- `getTimezoneOffset()` returns diff to GMT in min.
- `getFullYear()` returns year in Date
- `toString()` returns day, date, time
- `toLocaleString()` returns day, date, time in local format

Common Date Object Methods (con't)

- setDate(day) set the month day (1-31)
- setHours(hours) set the hours (0-23)
- setMinutes(min) set minutes (0-59)
- setMonth(month) set month (1-12)
- setSeconds(sec) set seconds (1-59)
- setYear(year) set year of date

Creating a Current Date

- Creating a current date object:
 - `var x = new Date();`
- Displaying the full date/time in text:
 - `document.writeln("<H2>Current time: " + x.toLocaleString() + "</H2>");`

Displaying a Date

```
■ var thisDay = new Date("May 23,  
2021 14:35:05");
```

Method	Description	Results
<u>thisDay.getSeconds()</u>	seconds	5
<u>thisDay.getMinutes()</u>	minutes	35
<u>thisDay.getHours()</u>	hours	14
<u>thisDay.getDate()</u>	day of the month	23
<u>thisDay.getMonth()</u>	month number, where January = 0, February =1, etc.	4

Displaying a Date (con't)

```
■ var thisDay = new Date("May 23,  
2021 14:35:05");
```

Method	Description	Results
<u>thisDay.getFullYear()</u>	year	2021
<u>thisDay.getDay()</u>	day of the week, where Sunday = 0, Monday = 1, etc.	0
thisDay.toLocaleDateString()	text of the date using local conventions	"5/23/2021"
thisDay.toLocaleTimeString()	text of the time using local conventions	"2:35:05 PM"

Date Set

Date Method	Description
<code>date.setDate(value)</code>	Sets the day of the month of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer, ranging from 1 up to 31 (for some months)
<code>date.setFullYear(value)</code>	Sets the four-digit year value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer
<code>date.setHours(value)</code>	Sets the 24-hour value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer ranging from 0 to 23
<code>date.setMilliseconds(value)</code>	Sets the millisecond value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer between 0 and 999
<code>date.setMinutes(value)</code>	Sets the minutes value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer ranging from 0 to 59
<code>date.setMonth(value)</code>	Sets the month value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer ranging from 0 (January) to 11 (December)
<code>date.setSeconds(value)</code>	Sets the seconds value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer ranging from 0 to 59
<code>date.setTime(value)</code>	Sets the time value of <i>date</i> , where <i>value</i> is an integer representing the number of milliseconds since midnight on January 1, 1970

Methods of Number Object

- To create a number object:
 - `var x = new Number(x);`
 - This creates a “wrapper” object for the intrinsic number `x` (literal or symbolic)
 - Methods in this class include:
 - `toString()` Returns a string representation of the number
 - `valueOf()` Returns the intrinsic numeric value
- Constants** include: `Number.NaN` (not a number), `Number.MAX_VALUE`, `Number.MIN_Value`

Methods of Boolean Object

- To create a Boolean object:
 - `var x = new Boolean(y)`
 - If `y` is false, zero, null, `Number.NaN`, empty string (`""`), then `x` is false; otherwise `x` is true
- Methods of this class:
 - `toString()` returns "true" or "false"
 - `valueOf()` returns true if the Boolean object is true, otherwise false

Making Your Own Function Libraries

```
■ // Trim functions (returns strings with blanks trimmed)
■ function LeftTrim(str){
■     for(var i=0;str.charAt(i)!=" ";i++);
■     return str.substring(i,str.length);
■ }
■ function RightTrim(str){
■     for(var i=str.length-1;str.charAt(i)!=" ";i--);
■     return str.substring(0,i+1);
■ }
■ function Trim(str){
■     return LeftTrim(RightTrim(str));
■ }
```

Regular Expressions in JavaScript

- Recently, these capabilities were introduced to JavaScript
- A regular expression is just a sequence or a pattern of characters that is matched against a string of text when performing searches and replacements
- Many tasks can be done with regular expressions; the most common one is to find out whether a given string matches a particular pattern
- You can use a substitution command to replace matching sections with another string of your choice

Trim Functions Using Regular Expressions

```
■ function ltrim ( s ) {  
    ■ return s.replace( /^\s*/, "" );  
■ }  
■ function rtrim ( s ) {  
    ■ return s.replace( /\s*$/, "" );  
■ }  
■ function trim ( s ) { return rtrim(ltrim(s)); }
```

Not so “courteous” functions !

Window Function to Add a “Favorite”

- `<HTML>`
- `<HEAD><TITLE>Adding a Bookmark in JavaScript</TITLE>`
- `</HEAD>`
- `<SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">`
- `<!--`
- `window.external.addFavorite('http://www.cbu.edu/business','CBU School of Business');`
- `// -->`
- `</SCRIPT>`
- `<BODY></BODY></HTML>`

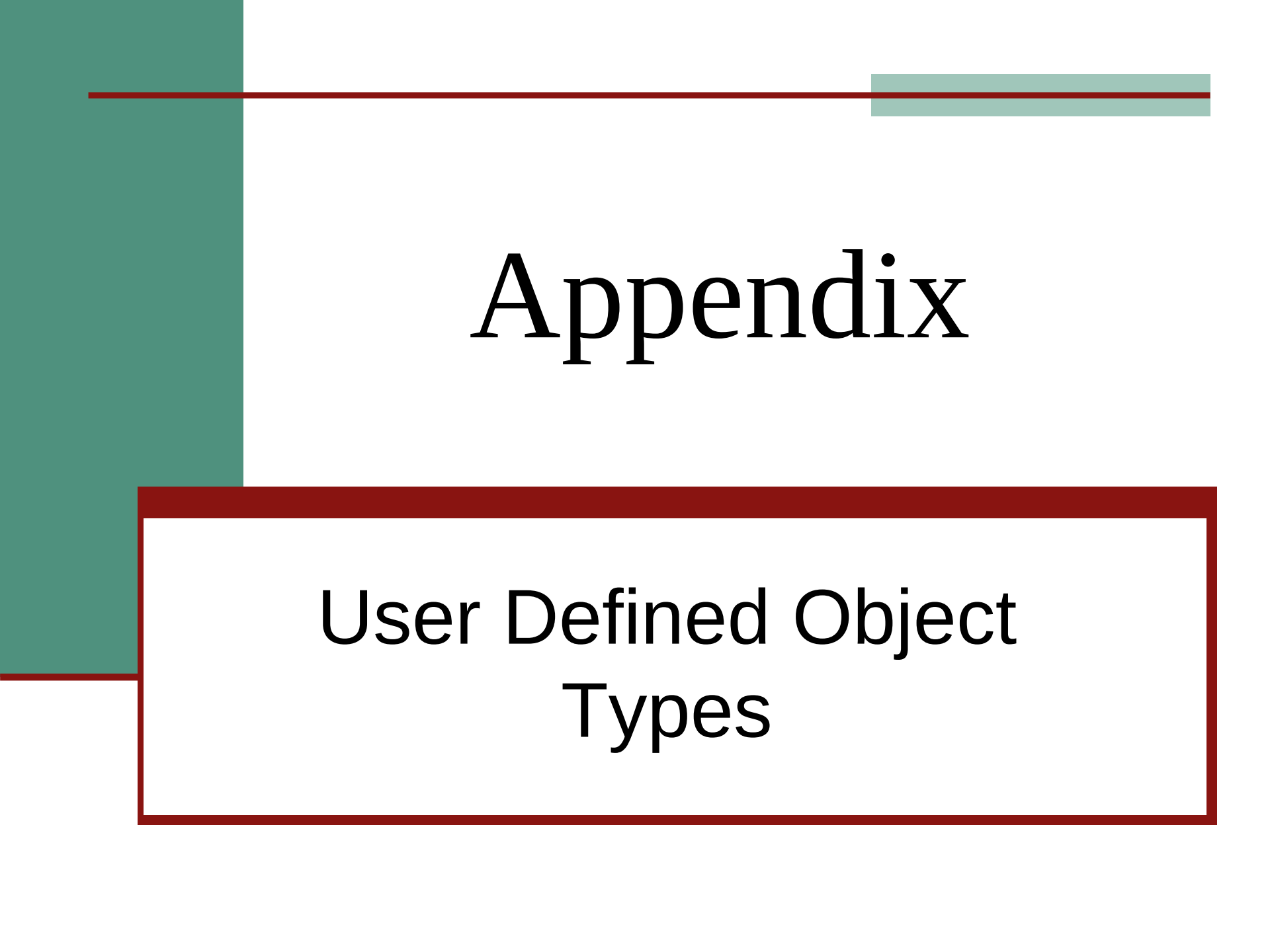


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Homework

- Textbook Chapter 10
- Using JS and HTML (ParseExample.html):
 - Ask the user for a sentence
 - Break the sentence down into words
 - List each word found in an HTML table
- Hybrid online reading assignment
 - Appendix on JavaScript **user defined objects**



Appendix

User Defined Object Types

User Defined Object Types

- Objects are created by using the “new” statement
- A function has to be written to serve as the “constructor” for the object (using “this”):
 - `function Person(n, a) {`
 - `this.name = n;`
 - `this.age = a;`
 - `return this;`
 - `}`
- To “instantiate” an object of type person:
 - `p1 = new Person(“John”, 34);`

User Defined Objects (con't)

- To create object functions (methods):
 - define the function
 - include the function in the constructor
- Example:
 - `function showInfo() {`
 - `info = "Name: " + this.name + " Age: " + this.age;`
 - `alert(info);`
 - `}`
 - `function Person(name, age) {`
 - `this.name = name;`
 - `this.age = age;`
 - `this.showInfo = showInfo;`
 - `return this; }`

User Defined Objects (con't)

- Object properties and methods are referenced with the dot notation directly:
 - `p1 = new Person("John", 34);`
 - `a = p1.age`
 - `n = p1.name;`
 - `p1.showInfo();`
- Or within a block of code using “with”:
 - `with(p1) {`
 - `a = age;`
 - `n = name;`
 - `}`

Class Exercise

- Modify the previous class exercise to utilize a user defined object called “Pet” (each pet has a name and age).
- Create an array of pets, and then loop thru the array to create the HTML table.
- Hint follows...

■ Hint:

```
■ function Pet (n, a) {  
  ■     this.name = n;  
  ■     this.age = a;  
  ■     return this;  
  }
```

- Try to work class exercises without looking ahead !



```

■ <HTML>
■ <HEAD><TITLE>Object Example</TITLE>
■ </HEAD>
■ <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
■ <!--
■     function Pet (n, a) {
■         this.name = n;
■         this.age = a;
■     return this;
■     }
■     var p1 = new Pet("Rufus", 3);
■     var p2 = new Pet("MaryJo", 5);
■     var p3 = new Pet("Beaudraux", 2);
■     var pets = [p1, p2, p3];
■     document.writeln("<H1>My Pets</H1>");
■     document.writeln("<TABLE><TR Align='Center'><TH
Width='100'><H2>Name</H2></TH><TH Width =
'100'><H2>Age</H2></TH></TD><H3>");
■         for (i=0; i<pets.length; i++) {
■             document.writeln("<TR Align='Center'><TD>" +
pets[i].name + "</TD><TD>" + pets[i].age + "</TD></TR>");
■         }
■     document.writeln("</H3></TABLE>");
■ // -->
■ </SCRIPT>
■ <BODY></BODY></HTML>

```

ObjectExample.html

Using an Object Function (Method)

```
<HTML>
<HEAD><TITLE>Object Example</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
<!--
    function writeRow() {
        document.writeln("<TR Align='Center'><TD>" + this.name + "</TD><TD>" + this.age +
"</TD></TR>");
    }
    function Pet (n, a) {
        this.name = n;
        this.age = a;
        this.writeRow = writeRow;

        return this;
    }
    var p1 = new Pet("Rufus", 3);
    var p2 = new Pet("MaryJo", 5);
    var p3 = new Pet("Beaudraux", 2);
    var pets = [p1, p2, p3];
    document.writeln("<H1>My Pets</H1>");
    document.writeln("<TABLE><TR Align='Center'><TH Width='100'><H2>Name</H2></TH><TH Width =
'100'><H2>Age</H2></TH></TR><TD><H3>");
    for (i=0; i<pets.length; i++) {
        pets[i].writeRow();
    }
    document.writeln("</H3></TABLE>");
// -->
</SCRIPT>
<BODY></BODY></HTML>
```


Using Objects for Arrays

- You can also treat arrays like user defined objects and make constructors (in JavaScript, Arrays are predefined objects)
- You can use a general function to make arrays:
 - ```
function Makearray(n) {
 ■ this.length = n;
 ■ for (var x = 0; x < n; x++) {
 ■ this[x] = 0;
 ■ }
 ■ return this;
■ }
```
- And then use it:
  - ```
var myArray = new MakeArray (3);
```
- You can also use objects to make “multi-dimension” arrays (arrays of arrays)