

729G87 Interaction Programming

Lecture 2 – Intro Web Technologies (JavaScript)

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Basic HTML Eco System


Content



text, images
audio, video,...

HTML


Design



color, position,
size,...

CSS

Logic



events,
calculations,...

JavaScript

Learning goals

- You will **not** learn
 - How to code (we assume you already know this to an extend)
 - How to handle basic stuff like loops, if..then..else, functions, etc.
 - Everything about JavaScript
 - Everything you need to complete the assignments
- You will learn
 - Everything to achieve completing the assignments
 - Important aspects about JavaScript
 - Things not necessary to complete the assignments
 - Some good practices and pitfalls of JS

What is JavaScript (JS)

- JavaScript is a programming language that is used in many different applications.
- JavaScript is not Java, they are completely separate things.
- Formally specified as ECMAScript (ISO ISO/IEC 22275:2018)
- First version 1997, current version 2022 (ECMAScript 13)
- <http://www.ecma-international.org/publications/standards/Ecma-262.htm>
- Programming language features
 - interpreted - like Python
 - dynamically typed - like Python
 - prototype-based programming (similarities with OOP)

ECMA Script

ECMAScript ([/'ɛkməskɪpt/](#); **ES**)^[1] is a standard for scripting languages, including JavaScript, JScript, and ActionScript. It is also best known as a [JavaScript](#) standard intended to ensure the [interoperability](#) of [web pages](#) across different [web browsers](#).^[2] It is standardized by [Ecma International](#) in the document [ECMA-262](#). ECMAScript is commonly used for [client-side scripting](#) on the [World Wide Web](#), and it is increasingly being used to write server-side applications and services using [Node.js](#) and other runtime environments.

Some buzzwords

- High level
- Single threaded
- Garbage collected
- Just in time compiled
- Multi-paradigm
- Dynamically typed

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DHjqpvDnNGE>

Execution environment



What can JavaScript?

- **Manipulate the DOM, i.e.**
 - Change DOM structure
 - Change the ID of DOM nodes
 - Change the classes of DOM nodes
 - Change contents of DOM nodes
- **Manipulate the CSS**
 - Add inline CSS to the DOM
 - Change the contents of the stylesheet
- **Capture web browser events**
 - changes to the web browser window (size, active/not active, URL etc)
 - changes originating from input devices: mouse movement, keyboard key presses, single and multitouch events

DOs and DON'Ts

- Use JavaScript to
 - 1. Listen for specific web browser events on specific elements in the DOM
 - 2. Change/Create elements in the DOM
 - Send & retrieve information from other resources
- Do not use JavaScript to
 - Validate user input (at least not only JS)
 - Verify credentials
 - Security

Type system

- JavaScript is a loosely typed language with dynamic type checking.
- Languages with static vs dynamic type checking
- Strongly vs weakly/loosely typed languages

Strong vs loose typing

- In general: weak/loose typing
 - less strict rules for datatypes,
 - e.g implicit type conversions
- Strong typing, e.g. Python
- Example: "2" - 1 → ERROR

- Weak typing, e.g. JavaScript,
- Example in JavaScript: "2" - 1 → "1"
- Convenience vs safety

Static vs dynamic type checking

- **Static type checking:** Type checking is done before runtime.
 - **Datatype** of the value a variable refers to **cannot be changed** during runtime
 - Examples: C, Java

```
let i = 1  
i = "hello"  
-> error
```

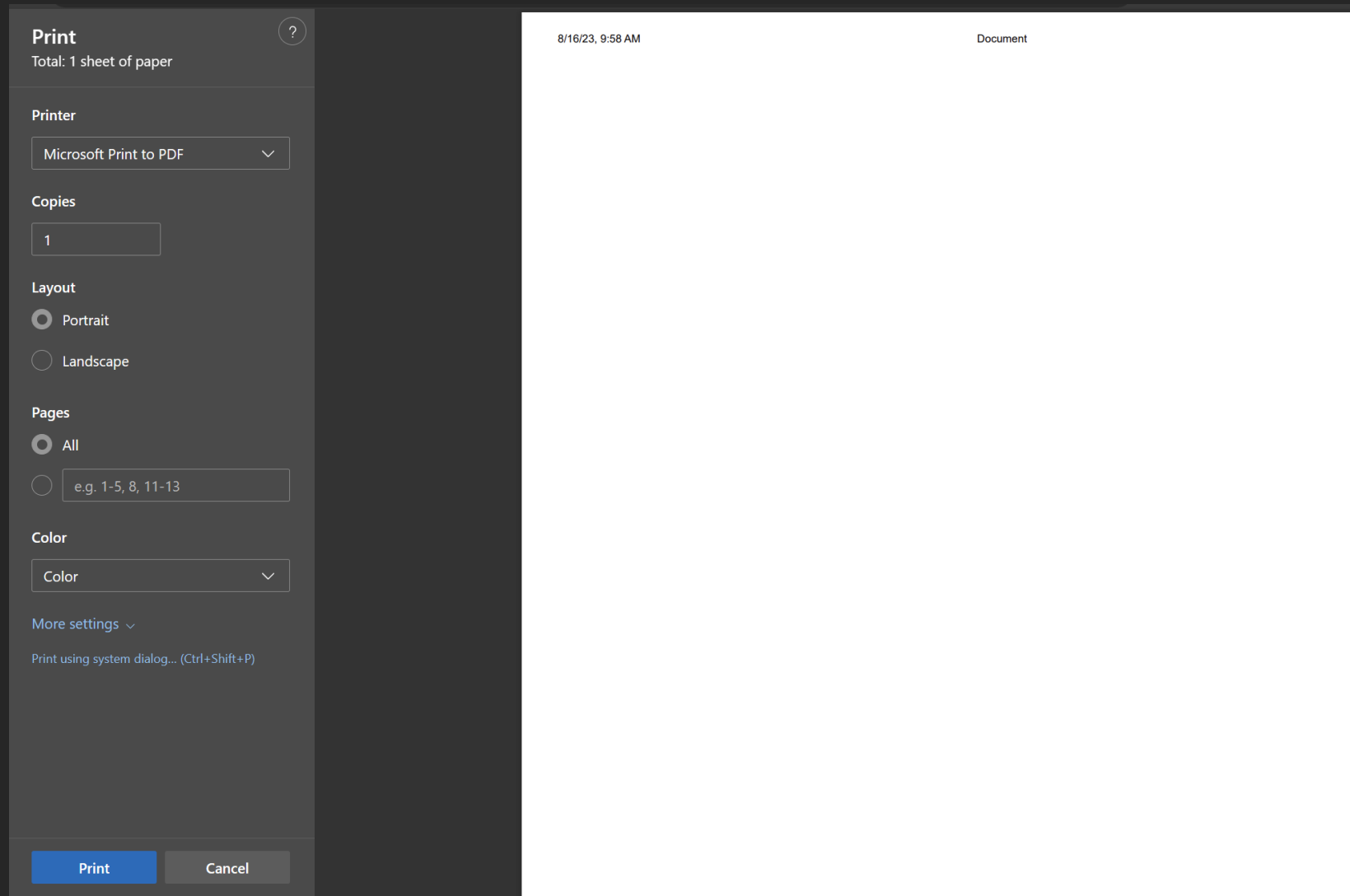
- **Dynamic type checking:** Type checking is done during runtime.
 - **Datatype** of the value a variable refers to **can be changed** during runtime
 - Examples: Python, JavaScript

```
let i = 1  
i = "hello"
```

Hello World: console

```
//main.js  
print("hello world")
```

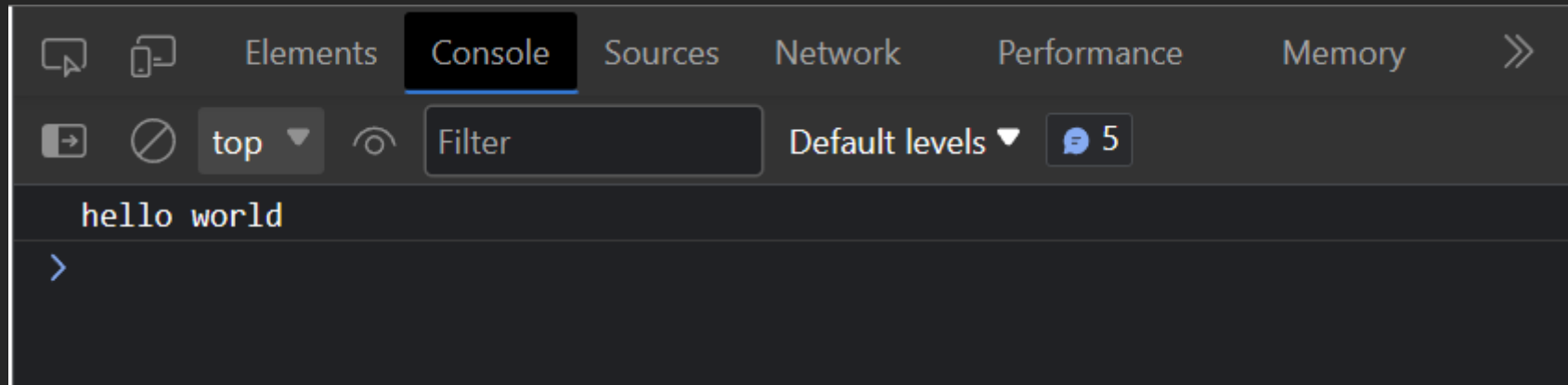
Hello World: console



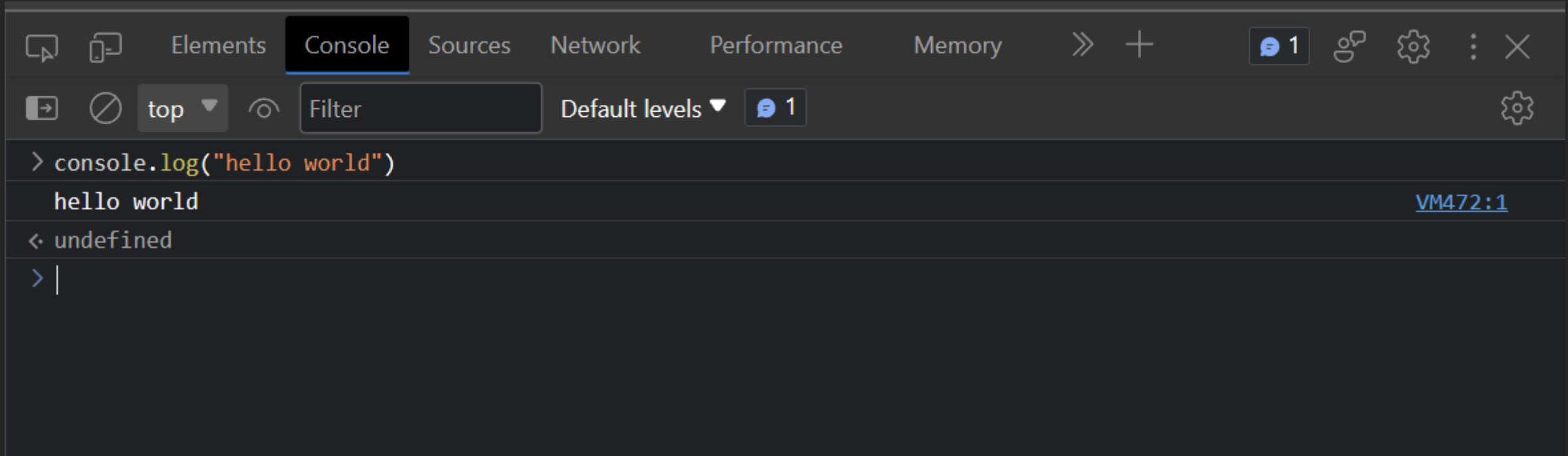
Hello World: console

```
//main.js  
console.log("hello world")
```

Developer console



Developer console

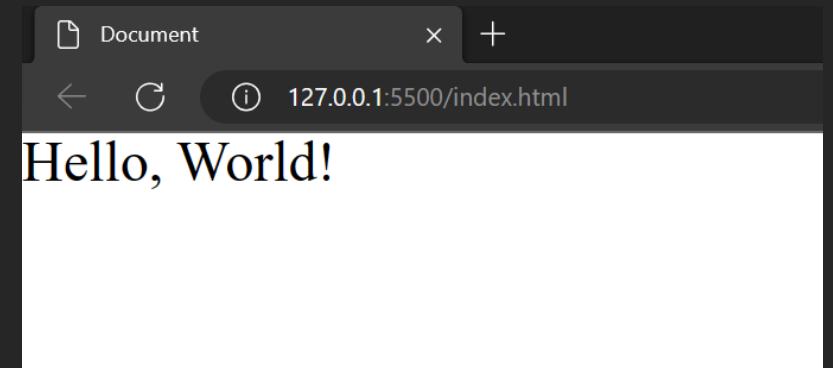


The image shows a screenshot of the Chrome Developer Console. The 'Console' tab is selected, and the 'top' filter is applied. A single log message is visible: `console.log("hello world")` with the output `hello world`. The source is identified as `VM472:1`. The console shows a prompt `>` followed by the command, the output, and a return value of `< undefined`. The prompt `>` is followed by a vertical bar `|`.

```
> console.log("hello world")
hello world
< undefined
> |
```

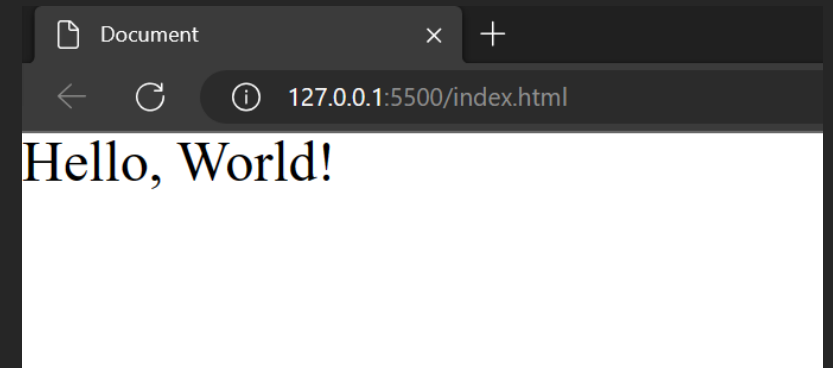
Hello World: in document

```
//main.js
let helloText = document.createElement("p");
helloText.textContent = "Hello, World!";
document.body.appendChild(helloText);
```



Hello World: in document

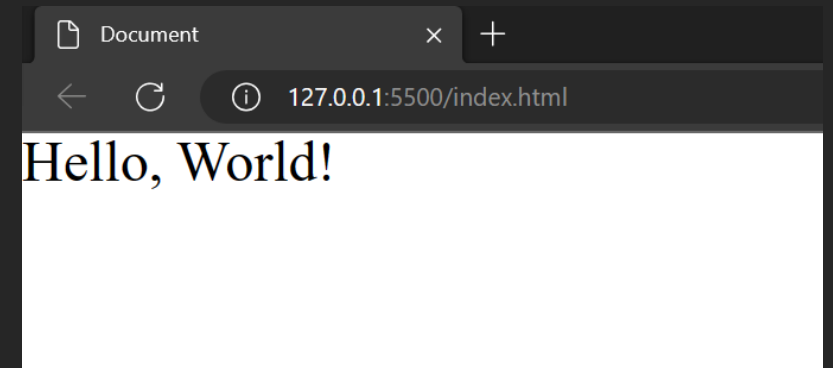
```
<body>
  <p id="displayHelloWorldHere"></p>
</body>
```



```
//main.js
let helloText = document.querySelector("#displayHelloWorldHere")
helloText.textContent = "Hello, World!";
```

Hello World: in document (the wrong way)

```
<body>  
  <p id="displayHelloWorldHere"></p>  
</body>
```



```
//main.js  
var helloText = document.getElementById("displayHelloWorldHere")  
helloText.innerHTML = "Hello, World!";
```

Hello World: in document (the wrong way)

```
//main.js  
var helloText = document.getElementById("displayHelloWorldHere")  
helloText.innerHTML = "Hello, World!";
```


getElementById

Old school way to access elements, querySelector supports all CSS selectors

innerHTML

Can insert html-tags. Possible security issue!

```
helloText.innerHTML = "<s>escape</s>";
```



escape

Import / Execute JS in HTML

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>JavaScript Execution in HTML</title>
</head>
<body>

<!-- Inline JavaScript -->
<script>
  console.log("Inline JavaScript executed");
</script>

<!-- External JavaScript file -->
<script src="external-script.js"></script>
```

Multiple source files

```
//greet.js
function sayHello() {
  console.log('Hello from classic JavaScript import!');
}
```

```
// main.js
sayHello();
```

Multiple source files

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Classic JavaScript Import Example</title>
</head>
<body>

  <h1>Hello, Classic JavaScript Import!</h1>
  <script src="greet.js"></script>
  <script src="main.js"></script>

</body>
</html>
```


Modules

Requires website accessed
from a webserver
-> live server plugin!

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>JavaScript Modules Example</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Hello, JavaScript Modules!</h1>
  <script type="module" src="main.js"></script>
</body>
</html>
```

Modules

```
// main.js
import { sayHello } from './module.js';

sayHello();
```

```
// module.js
export function sayHello() {
  console.log('Hello from the module!');
}
```

Extending our boilerplate

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">

<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/reset.css">
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/layout.css">
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/style.css">

  <script type="module" src="js/main.js">
  </script>
</head>

<body>
</body>

</html>
```

Find relatives

- `myElement.firstChild;`
- `myElement.lastElementChild;`
- `myElement.parentElement;`
- `myElement.nextElementSibling;`
- `myElement.previousElementSibling;`
- `myElement.querySelector();`
- `myElement.closest('.header')`

let and var

```
var b = 2;  
var b = 3;
```

```
let a = 1;  
let a = 4;
```

```
Cannot redeclare block-scoped variable 'a'. ts(2451)
```

```
let a: number
```

```
View Problem (Alt+F8) No quick fixes available
```

let and var

```
var x = 1;

if (x === 1) {
  var x = 2;

  console.log(x);
  // output: 2
}

console.log(x);
// output: 2
```

let and var

```
let x = 1;

if (x === 1) {
  let x = 2;

  console.log(x);
  // output: 2
}

console.log(x);
// output: 1
```

do not use var at all!!

Delay execution

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
  <script src="js/main.js" >
  </script>
</head>
<body>
  <div id = "displayHelloWorldHere"></div>
</body>
</html>
```

```
✖ Uncaught TypeError: Cannot set properties of null (setting 'innerText')
  at main.js:3:21
```

```
>
```


Delay execution

```
<script src="js/main.js" defer>  
</script>  
  
<script src="js/main.js" type="module">  
</script>
```

Hello, World!

Delay execution

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">

<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/reset.css">
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/layout.css">
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/style.css">

  <script type="module" src="js/main.js">
  </script>
</head>

<body>
  <p id="displayHelloWorldHere"></p>
</body>

</html>
```

Delay execution: events

```
//main.js

document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded", (event)=>{
  let helloText = document.querySelector("#displayHelloWorldHere")
  helloText.textContent = "Hello world";
})
```

Events

```
<body>  
  <button>Press Me</button>  
</body>
```

```
document.querySelector("button").addEventListener("click", (event)=>{  
  alert("hello")  
});
```

Events

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">

<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Document</title>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/reset.css">
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/layout.css">
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/style.css">

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

<body>
  <button onclick="hello();">Press Me</button>
</body>

</html>
```

```
//main.js
function hello(){
  alert("hello")
};
```

Even this works (don't do this)

```
<button onclick="console.log('hello');">Press Me</button>
```

Event handling

```
// An event handler function only receives an Event object as an argument.  
// The Event object contains information about the event (more on this later)  
function handleEvent(event) {  
    // code for handling event  
}  
element.addEventListener('click', handleEvent)
```

Event handling

```
// If we want to pass specific arguments to our event handler function,  
// we can wrap it using an anonymous function  
function handleOtherEvent(event, param1, param2 ...) {  
  // code for handling event  
}  
  
element.addEventListener('click', (event) => {  
  handleOtherEvent(event, "argument1", "argument2", ...) })  
});
```


Event bubbling

<https://www.w3.org/TR/uievents/images/eventflow.svg>

```
<body>
  <button>hello</button>

</body>
<script>
  document.querySelector("html").addEventListener("click", (e)=>{
    console.log("click on html");
  });
  document.querySelector("button").addEventListener("click", (e)=>{
    console.log("click on button");
  });
</script>

</html>
```

```
click on button
click on html
> |
```

Event bubbling

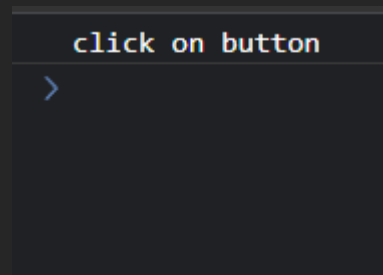
<https://www.w3.org/TR/uievents/images/eventflow.svg>

```
<body>
  <button>hello</button>

</body>
<script>
  document.querySelector("html").addEventListener("click", (e)=>{
    console.log("click on html");
  });
  document.querySelector("button").addEventListener("click", (e)=>{
    console.log("click on button");
    e.stopPropagation();

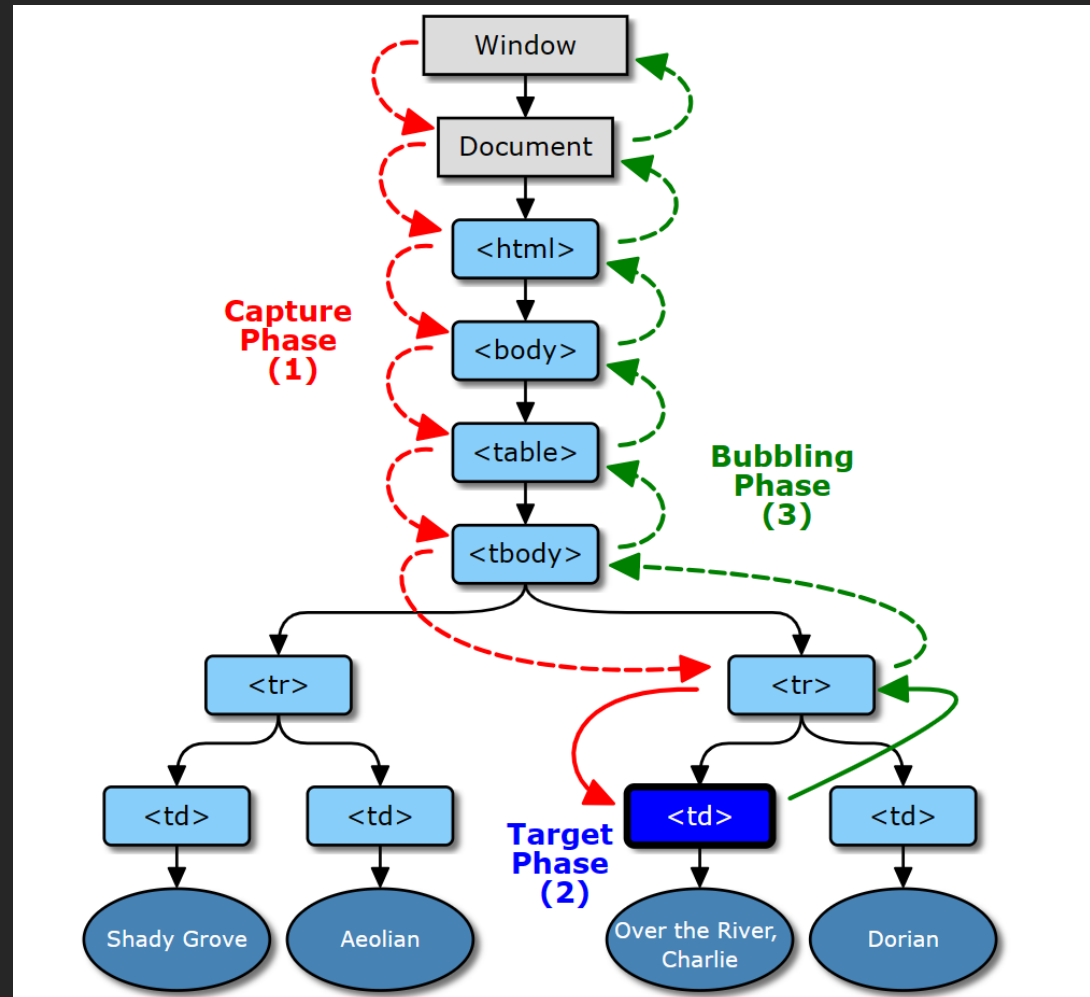
  });
</script>

</html>
```



Event bubbling

<https://www.w3.org/TR/uievents/images/eventflow.svg>



<https://codepen.io/Philipp-Hock/pen/jOXOBWV>

Data-Attribute

```
<div class="box"  
  data-info="This is a data attribute example.">
```

Hover over this box to see the data attribute value.

```
</div>
```

```
const box = document.querySelector('.box');  
box.addEventListener('click', function(e) {  
  console.log(e.target.dataset['infoElem'])  
  console.log(e.target.dataset.infoElem)  
});
```

Data-Attribute

<https://codepen.io/Philipp-Hock/pen/OJrJppy>

Click this box to see the data

Console

```
"This is a data attribute example."
```

```
"This is a data attribute example."
```

Data-Attribute

```
<div class="box"  
  data-info="This is a data attribute example.">
```

Hover over this box to see the data attribute value.

```
</div>
```

```
const box = document.querySelector('.box');  
box.addEventListener('mouseover', function() {  
  const dataInfo = this.getAttribute('data-info');  
  alert(dataInfo);  
});
```

Classes

- There are different kind of classes
 - Classes in an Object Oriented way

```
class Person {  
  constructor(name, age) {  
    this.name = name;  
    this.age = age;  
  }  
}
```

- HTML classes for css/js

```
<div class="wrapper">  
  
</div>
```

- They have nothing in common

Classlist

- `element.classList.add("classname")`
- `element.classList.remove("classname")`
- `element.classList.replace("oldclass", "newclass")`
- `element.classList.toggle("classname")`

Inline Style

- Inline styles are styles written using the HTML elements style attribute, e.g. `<p style="font-weight: bold">Hello!</p>`

- Read or set inline CSS property

- `element.style.PROPERTY = String`

- PROPERTY should be written in camelCase, e.g.
`element.style.backgroundColor = 'lightblue'`
`element.style.display = 'none'`

- Remove inline CSS property

`element.style.removeProperty(property-name : String)`

property-name should be written hyphenated, e.g.

`element.style.removeProperty('background-color')`

Objects

```
const myObj = {  
  value: 10,  
  display: function(){  
    return this.value;  
  }  
}  
  
console.log(myObj.display())
```

Classes

```
class MyObj {  
  constructor(value) {  
    this.value = value;  
  }  
  
  display() {  
    return this.value;  
  }  
}  
  
const myInstance = new MyObj(10);  
console.log(myInstance.display());
```

Classes



convert into a class:

```
const myObj = {  
  value: 10,  
  display: function(){  
    return this.value;  
  }  
}
```

```
console.log(myObj.display())
```



Sure! Here's the equivalent code using a class:



javascript

Copy code

```
class MyObj {  
  constructor(value) {  
    this.value = value;  
  }  
  
  display() {  
    return this.value;  
  }  
}  
  
const myInstance = new MyObj(10);  
console.log(myInstance.display());
```

Arrow functions vs function()

<https://www.freecodecamp.org/news/the-difference-between-arrow-functions-and-normal-functions/>

```
function classicFunction(){  
  
}
```

```
let arrowFunction = ()=>{  
  
}
```

Arrow functions vs function()

<https://www.freecodecamp.org/news/the-difference-between-arrow-functions-and-normal-functions/>

```
const classicFunctionObj = {  
  value: 10,  
  display: function(){console.log(this.value)}  
}
```

```
classicFunctionObj.display();  
// displays 10
```

```
const arrowFuncObj = {  
  value: 10,  
  display: ()=>{console.log(this.value)}  
}
```

```
arrowFuncObj.display();  
// displays undefined
```

with arrow functions there are no binding of this . In regular functions the this keyword represented the object that called the function

String literals

```
const count = 5;  
const square = (v)=>v*v;  
  
console.log(`the square of ${count} is ${square(count)}`);  
  
// output: the square of 5 is 25
```

semicolon or not?

```
const count = 5;  
const square = (v)=>v*v;  
  
console.log(`the square of ${count} is ${square(count)}`);  
  
// output: the square of 5 is 25
```

```
const count = 5  
const square = (v)=>v*v  
  
console.log(`the square of ${count} is ${square(count)}`)  
  
// output: the square of 5 is 25
```

Stay consistent!

Creating Elements

- Create new elements using
`document.createElement(elementName : String)`
- Add it to the DOM using e.g.
 - `parentElement.appendChild(newElement)`
add newElement as last child of parentElement
 - `siblingElement.before(newElement)`
insert newElement before siblingElement
- Remove an element
`element.remove()`

Forms



First name:

Last name:

```
<body>
  <form>
    <label for="fname">First name:</label><br>
    <input type="text" id="fname" name="fname"><br>
    <label for="lname">Last name:</label><br>
    <input type="text" id="lname" name="lname"><br><br>
    <input type="submit" value="send">
  </form>
</body>
```

Forms

- Often used to enter data that is to be submitted to a server.
- `<form>` element (parent) contains the form e.g. labels, text fields, checkboxes (children)
- form children have a name attribute that are used to identify them when the form is submitted
- form children can also have an id which is used e.g. to identify them within the DOM
- name attribute and id attribute can be the same, but do not have to
- be the same

HTML Form elements

- `<input>`: Basic input element for various data types (text, password, number, etc.).
- `<textarea>`: Multi-line text input area.
- `<select>`: Dropdown menu for selecting options.
- `<button>`: Clickable button for triggering actions.
- `<label>`: Text label associated with form controls.
- ...

HTML Input Types

- `type="radio"`: Select one option from a group.
- `type="checkbox"`: Select multiple options from a group.
- `type="file"`: Upload files from user's device.
- `type="submit"`: Submit the form data to a server.
- `type="reset"`: Reset form elements to default values.
- `type="hidden"`: Store data on the form without displaying it.
- `type="date"`: Input for date selection.
- `type="email"`: Input for email addresses.
- `type="url"`: Input for website URLs.
- `type="color"`: Input for selecting colors.
- `type="range"`: Slider input for selecting numeric values within a range.
- `type="search"`: Input for search queries.
- `type="password"`: Conceals the characters
- ...

Input text

Radiobutton

Interaction with JS

- Each HTML element has a corresponding JavaScript WebAPI interface (a class for each element type)
- E.g. <select> elements correspond to objects with the HTMLSelectElement interface.
 - <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/HTMLSelectElement>
- There we can e.g. find out that events that HTMLSelectElement elements can fire are change and input.
- We can also find out that HTMLSelectElement object have the property value that we can read to get the selected option

JS Form Example

```
<form id="fruitForm">
  <select id="fruitSelect">
    <option value="apple">Apple</option>
    <option value="banana">Banana</option>
    <option value="orange">Orange</option>
    <option value="grape">Grape</option>
  </select>
</form>

<p id="message"></p>
```

JS Form Example

<https://codepen.io/Philipp-Hock/pen/oNJNGYj>

```
<script>
  const fruitSelect = document.getElementById('fruitSelect');
  const messageElement = document.getElementById('message');

  fruitSelect.addEventListener('change', function () {
    const selectedOption = fruitSelect.options[fruitSelect.selectedIndex];
    const selectedFruit = selectedOption.value;
    let message = '';
    messageElement.textContent = `You selected ${selectedOption.value}`;
  });
</script>
```

Select a Fruit:

Banana ▼

You selected banana

100 SECONDS OF



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aXOChLn5ZdQ>

The JavaScript Survival Guide

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9emXNzqCKyg>

<https://dev.to/novu/10-github-repositories-to-achieve-javascript-mastery-50hk>