IT350 Web and Internet Programming

SlideSet #8: Intro to JavaScript

(from Chapter 6 of the text)

JavaScript Intro – Outline

- What is it good for?
- What does it look like?
- Is it Java?
- Example Usage
What's JavaScript good for?

• Client-side computation?

• Server-side computation?
Java vs. JavaScript

Object-oriented?

Add methods/properties to objects at run-time?

Variable typing?

C-like expressions, control?
Addition / Strings Example – Part 1

Addition / Strings Example – Part 2

```html
<?xml version = "1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns = "http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<head>
<title>An Addition Program</title>
<script type = "text/javascript">
<!--
var firstNumber, secondNumber, number1, number2, sum;
// read in first number from user as a string
firstNumber = window.prompt( "Enter first integer", "0" );
// read in second number from user as a string
secondNumber = window.prompt( "Enter second integer", "0" );
// convert numbers from strings to integers
number1 = parseInt( firstNumber );
number2 = parseInt( secondNumber );
// add the numbers
sum = number1 + number2;
// display the results
document.writeln( "<h1>The sum is " + sum + "</h1>" );
// -->
</script>
</head>
<body>
<p>Click Refresh (or Reload) to run the script again</p>
</body>
</html>
```
Objects and Control Flow – Part 1

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Objects and Control Flow – Part 2
Operators and Precedence

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Fig. 7.17 Precedence and associativity of the operators discussed so far.

Exercise #1 -- What’s the output?

```javascript
var a, b, c;
a = 1;
b = 2;
c = 3;
d = a + b * c;
window.alert("<h1>Begin</h1>");
if (d < 20)
    window.alert("d is okay: "+d);
else
    window.alert("d is too high!:"+ d);
d = d - 3;
document.writeln("<h1>Done. Final d = "+d+"</h1>");
```

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Exercise #2 -- What's the output?

```javascript
var x, y, z;

x = 7;
y = 9;
z = "abc";

window.alert(x+y+z);
window.alert(z+y+x);
if (x)
  window.alert("x true");
x = "seven";
window.alert(x+y+z);
```

Exercise #3

- Write a JavaScript snippet to read in a number from the user and output its absolute value.
Exercise #4

- Write a JavaScript snippet to read in three numbers x, y, z and output them in sorted order.