IT350 Web and Internet Programming

SlideSet #8: Intro to JavaScript

(from Chapters 6,7,8 of the text 4th or 5th edition)

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?

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Addition / Strings Example – Part 1

Addition / Strings Example – Part 2

Addition.html

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Objects and Control Flow – Part 1

Good Evening, the date is: Thu Sep 20 2012 19:09:36 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

Click Refresh (or Reload) to run this script again.

Objects and Control Flow – Part 2

<html xmlns = "http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<head>
<title>Using Relational Operators</title>
<script type = "text/javascript">
<!--
var now = new Date(); // current date and time
hour = now.getHours(); // current hour (0-23)

// determine whether it is morning
if ( hour < 12 )
    document.write( "<h1>Good Morning, " );

// determine whether the time is PM
if ( hour >= 12 )
{
    // convert to a 12 hour clock
    hour = hour - 12;

    // determine whether it is before 6 PM
    if ( hour < 6 )
        document.write( "<h1>Good Afternoon, " );

    // determine whether it is after 6 PM
    if ( hour >= 6 )
        document.write( "<h1>Good Evening, " );
}

document.writeln( "the date is: " + now + "</h1>");
// -->
</script>
</head>
<body>
<p>Click Refresh (or Reload) to run this script again.</p>
</body>
</html>
Operators and Precedence

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Operators</th>
<th>Associativity</th>
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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>"');
```
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.