

# LING 408/508: Computational Techniques for Linguists

Lecture 18

# Today's Topic

- DOM (Document Object Model)
  - writing code in the console
  - writing code in `<script>`
  - triggering code with `<button>`
- Homework 7

# Document Object Model (DOM)

- HTML document

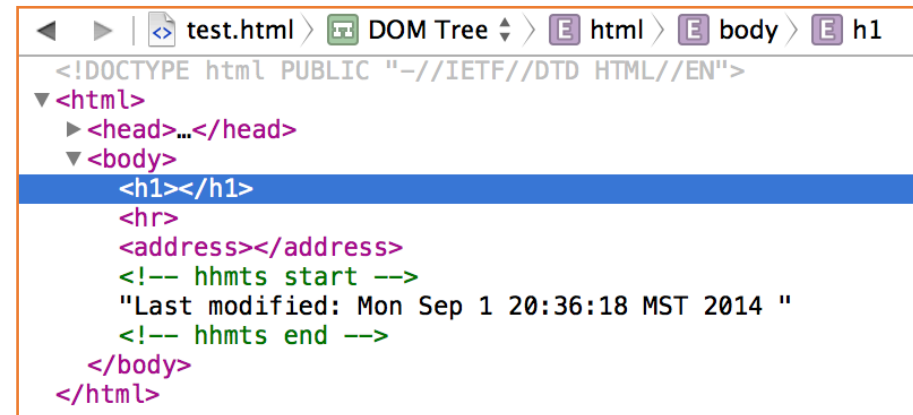
```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML//EN">
<html> <head>
<title></title>
</head>

<body>
<h1></h1>

|

<hr>
<address></address>
<!-- hhmts start --><!-- hhmts end -->
</body> </html>
```

- Tree representation



```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML//EN">
<html>
  <head>...</head>
  <body>
    <h1></h1>
    <hr>
    <address></address>
    <!-- hhmts start -->
    "Last modified: Mon Sep 1 20:36:18 MST 2014 "
    <!-- hhmts end -->
  </body>
</html>
```

```
html: document.documentElement
body: document.body
```

# Document Object Model (DOM)

## Properties for traversing the DOM:

- `e.childNodes`
  - children of element `el` as an array, e.g. `childNodes[0]`
- `e.children`
  - element nodes only (excludes text nodes)
- `e.firstChild`
- `e.lastChild`
- `e.parentNode`
- `e.nextSibling`
- `e.previousSibling`

## Object properties:

- `e.nodeType`
  - 1 = element, 3 = text
- `e.nodeName`
  - uppercase
- `e.innerHTML`
  - for element nodes
  - value is html as text
  - writable
- `e.nodeValue`
  - for text nodes  
(null: for element nodes)
  - writable

# Document Object Model (DOM)

## New content:

- `document.createElement(tag)`
  - tag = 'div', 'p' etc.
  - creates new DOM element
- `document.createTextNode(text)`
  - creates new DOM element of type text

## For non-HTML elements:

- `document.createElementNS(NS,tag)`
  - NS = Namespace URL identifier
  - e.g. <http://www.w3.org/2000/svg> and tag "rect" (rectangle)

## Place new\_el:

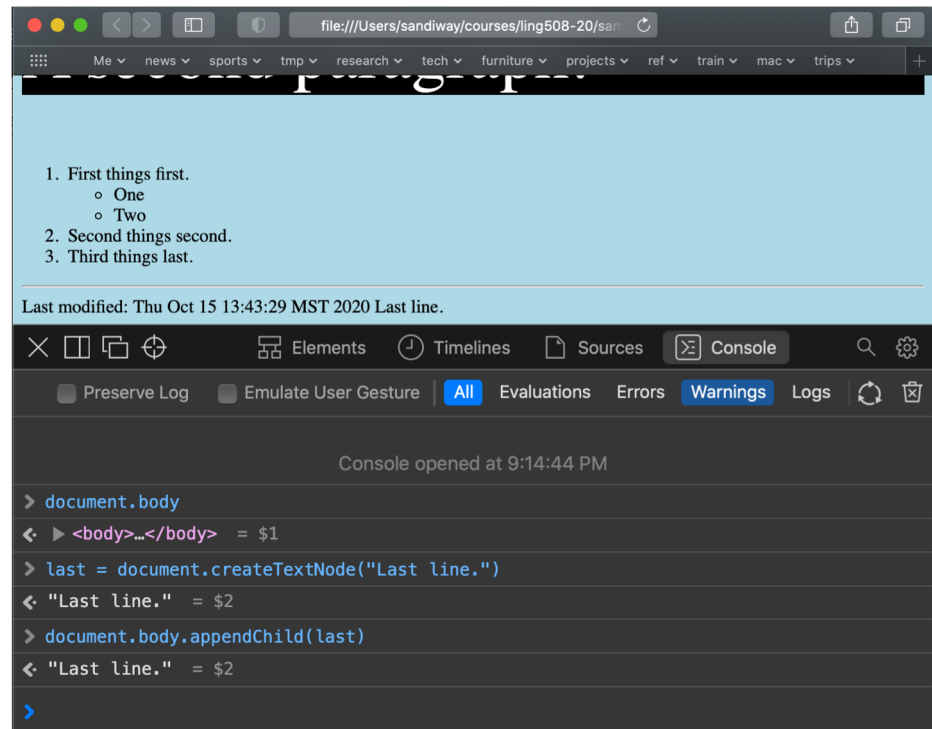
- `e.appendChild(new_el)`
  - new\_el is inserted as last child of el
- `e.insertBefore(new_el,next_el)`
  - new\_el inserted as previous sibling of next\_el
  - el is common parent
- `e.removeChild(child_el)`
  - child\_el is deleted
  - el is parent
- `e.replaceChild(new_el,child_el)`
  - new\_el replaces child\_el
  - el is parent

## Old way:

- `document.write(text)`
- `document.writeln(text)`
  - adds a newline

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- Steps on the console:
  1. get document body
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```
18</style>␣
19<script>␣
20     function f(text) {␣
21         document.body.appendChild(document.createTextNode(text))␣
22     }␣
23</script>␣
24</head>␣
25␣
26<body>␣
```

```
7709</p>␣
7710<script>␣
7711f("Some text here")␣
7712</script>␣
7713<hr>␣
7714<address></address>␣
7715<!-- hhmts start -->Last modified: Wed Oct 21 21:32:28 MST 2020 <!-- hhmts
    end -->␣
7716</body> </html>␣
```

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  - put the code in a `<script>`
  - trigger it with a `<button>`
    - [https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/event\\_onclick.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/event_onclick.asp)



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22   }␣
23 </script>␣
24 </head>␣
25 ␣
26 <body>␣
27 <button onclick="f('Some text')">Click me</button>
```



# Document Object Model (DOM)

Locating an element:

- `document.getElementById(id)`
  - useful if you have named the document element using the `id='Name'` property
- `document.getElementsByTagName(tag)`
  - all document elements of type tag
  - returns an array
- `e.getElementsByTagName(tag)`
  - all elements of type tag under el
  - returns an array
- `document.getElementsByName(name)`
  - useful for elements that support `name='Name'`
- `(document | e).getElementsByClassName(class)`
- `(document | e).querySelector(query)`
  - example query `'BODY > UL > LI'`
  - `'>'` means immediately dominates
  - returns first matching element
- `(document | e).querySelectorAll(query)`
  - returns an array

# Homework 7



Image from wikipedia

Write a html/Javascript program that simulates the 15 puzzle.

## Tasks/Questions:

1. It should bring up a html page that allows the user to manually click on and move the tiles
2. It should be able to initially jumble the tiles
  - **Hint:** use the `Math.random()` method from last lecture
3. It should recognize and print a message when the user solves the puzzle

# Homework 7

Example:

## 15 Puzzle

Tiles:

1	2	3	4
5	7	11	8
10	6	14	12
	9	13	15

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**Solved!**

# Homework 7

```
<table id="puzzle">  
  <tr>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">1</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">2</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">3</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">4</td>  
  </tr>  
  <tr>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">5</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">6</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">7</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">8</td>  
  </tr>  
  <tr>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">9</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">10</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">11</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">12</td>  
  </tr>  
  <tr>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">13</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">14</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)">15</td>  
    <td onclick="f(this)"></td>  
  </tr>  
</table>
```

1 2 3 4  
5 6 7 8  
9 10 11 12  
13 14 15

1	2	3	4
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```
<style>  
td {  
  border: 1px solid blue;  
  width: 30px;  
  height: 30px;  
  text-align: center;  
  vertical-align: middle  
}  
td:hover {  
  background: yellow  
}  
</style>
```

DOM code to locate a specific td by row r (0-3) and col number c (0-3):  
`document.getElementById("puzzle").rows[r].cells[c];`

# Homework 7

- Table layout:

row: 0 col: 0	row: 0 col: 1	row: 0 col: 2	row: 0 col: 3
row: 1 col: 0	row: 1 col: 1	row: 1 col: 2	row: 1 col: 3
row: 2 col: 0	row: 2 col: 1	row: 2 col: 2	row: 2 col: 3
row: 3 col: 0	row: 3 col: 1	row: 3 col: 2	row: 3 col: 3

## table cell:

```
<td onclick="f(this)">..</td>
```

```
<script>  
function f(e) {  
    .. code ..  
}  
</script>
```

## row number:

```
e.parentElement.rowIndex
```

## column number:

```
e.cellIndex
```

# Homework 7

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8.   }
9.   td:hover {
10.    background: yellow
11.  }
12. </style>
13. <script>
14.   function f(e) {
15.     var row = e.parentElement.rowIndex;
16.     var col = e.cellIndex;
17.     alert("row:" + row + " col:" + col)
18.   }
19. </script>
```

## 15 Puzzle

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**JavaScript**

row:2 col:3

OK

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row: 3 col: 0	row: 3 col: 1	row: 3 col: 2	row: 3 col: 3

- You're going to have to do some arithmetic...

- **Hint:**

```
<script>  
var empty_row = 3;  
var empty_col = 3;  
</script>
```

- **Example:** suppose the empty cell is row:2 col:1

- *Which cells can move into the empty cell?*

- **Hint:**

- write a function `can_move(e)` that returns true/false depending on whether that number (when clicked) can move into the empty cell.

- **Hint:**

- `Math.abs(x)` might be a useful method

# Homework 7

- Your goal is to define that function `f` to simulate moving the tiles:
  - `<td onClick="f(this)">1</td>`
  - What is the *this* argument?

```
function f(e) {  
  if (e.style.color == "red") {  
    e.style.color = "black"  
  } else {  
    e.style.color = "red";  
  }  
}
```

JavaScript

[object HTMLTableCellElement]

- What can you do with the object?
  - set attribute values, e.g.

– set content, e.g. `e.innerHTML = "3"`

– find row and column numbers (*see earlier slides*)



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    <td onclick="f(this)">14</td>
    <td onclick="f(this)">15</td>
    <td onclick="f(this)"></td>
  </tr>
</table>
```

- Note:

- the innerHTML property of this TableCell is undefined!
- i.e. there is no `document.getElementById("puzzle").rows[3].cells[3].innerHTML`
- Solution: put a real "space" in there
- can also use HTML nonbreaking space: `&nbsp;`

tricky!

# Homework 7

- Attempt this before next class
- Next class, let's talk about residual problems you might have
- Due date (special):
  - next Wednesday midnight