

LECTURE-4

- OOP Concepts of JS

OOP FEATURES

- Main OOP concepts
 - Treat real world entities as “objects”
 - Has data and methods
- Importance features of OOP
 - Data encapsulation
 - Inheritance
 - Polymorphism
- JS supports these OOP features
 - But note: JS is a **weakly typed** language.
 - Implementation of these features
 - Different from strongly typed languages like C++ and JAVA

CREATING JS OBJECTS

- Create an instance of an object directly

```
p1 = new Object();           // Create an object directly using new
p1.firstname = "John";       // Set data variables
p1.lastname = "Doe";
p1.age = 50;
p1.eyecolor = "blue";
p1.incrementAge = changeAge; // Set method
p1.incrementAge();          // Call method
function changeAge()        // Function definition
{
    this.age++;
}
```

Note: There is **NO** class keyword, as in C++, JAVA

CREATING JS OBJECTS ... CONTD.

- Create using a template – use function

// Template (class) definition

```
function person (first, last, age, color) // Constructor
```

```
{
```

```
    this.firstname = first;
```

```
    this.lastname = lasat;
```

```
    this.age = age;
```

```
    this.eyecolor = color;
```

```
    this.incrementAge = changeAge; // Define a member function
```

```
}
```

// Function definition

```
function changeAge( )
```

```
{
```

```
    this.age++;
```

```
}
```

// Creating a new object of person

```
p1 = new person ("David", "Miller", 50, "brown");
```

USEFUL JAVASCRIPT OBJECTS

- String
- Array
- Boolean
- Date
- Math

<http://w3schools.com/jsref/>

DATA ENCAPSULATION

- Data encapsulation is achieved using
 - C++: public, private protected
 - Java: public, private
- JS
 - public – accessible to class/external members
 - private – accessible to private/privileged members
 - **Privileged methods**
 - Can access private functions
 - Can access and change private data
 - External methods can access private members of class
 - Something like public access functions of C++, JAVA

PUBLIC MEMBERS

```
// Public data member definition
```

```
function public_Fn_Eg (...)
```

```
{
```

```
    this.publicMember = <value>;
```

```
}
```

```
// Public function definition
```

```
public_Fn_Eg.prototype.pubFn = function (<params>)
```

```
{
```

```
    // code
```

```
}
```

PRIVATE MEMBERS

```
function private_Fn_Eg (...)  
{  
    // private data members  
    var privateMember = <value>;  
  
    //private functions  
    function privateFunction_1 (<params>)  
    {  
        // code  
    }  
  
    var privateFunction_2 = function(<params>)  
    {  
        // code  
    }  
}
```

PRIVILEGED FUNCTIONS

```
function privileged_fn_Eg
{
    this.privilegedFn = function(...)
    {
        // CAN access private functions
        // CAN access/change private data
    }
}
```

INHERITANCE

- Define parent and child template functions as before.
- To define the inheritance, use
 - `child.prototype = new parent;`
- Children do NOT have access to parent's private members.

POLYMORPHISM

- Inherently supported in Javascript
- Any object calls member function in the most specific template class.
- Child objects call member functions
 - From the child class if defined in child objects.
 - From the parent class, otherwise.
- Parent objects calls the function from the parent template class.