

# JavaScript in Apex

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# Quick introduction

- IT Solutions Architect at Abakus plus, d.o.o
- SIOUG - Member of Executive Committee
- Oracle Certified Professional 9i, 11g
- Oracle Application Express Developer Certified Expert
- My first Apex (HtmlDB) presentation: HTMLDB – just a toy?, SIOUG, Portorož 2004
- Apex Meetups





# Public appearances

- HTMLDB – just a toy?, SIOUG, Portorož 2004
- It's good to know your own backyard (Trace Analyzer, dbms\_profiler), SIOUG, Portorož 2005
- Oracle Database Standard Edition, SIOUG, Portorož 2008
- Create table, SIOUG, Portorož 2009
- With Oracle Forms to future, SIOUG, Portorož 2010
- Oracle Listener, SIOUG, Portorož 2011
- Apex Plugins, SIOUG, Ljubljana 2012
- Apex Workshop: All you need to start working with Apex, Ljubljana 2012
- Apex Listener, SIOUG, Mengeš 2013
- Apex and jQuery, SIOUG, Mengeš 2013
- Apex Dynamic Actions, SIOUG, Mengeš 2013
- JavaScript in Apex, SIOUG, Ljubljana 2014
- JavaScript in Apex, SROUG, Zlatibor, Serbia, 2015
- Apex Meetups, Ljubljana, Kranj, 2015
- Apex Shared Components, SIOUG, Portorož, 2015
- JavaScript in Apex, HROUG, Rovinj, Croatia, 2015





# Abakus plus, d.o.o.

## History

from 1992, ~20 employees

## Applications:

special (DB – Newspaper Distribution, FIS – Flight Information System)

**ARBITER – the ultimate tool in audit trailing**

**APPM – Abakus Plus Performance and Monitoring Tool**

## Services:

DBA, OS administration, programming (MediaWiki, Oracle)

networks (services, VPN, QoS, security)

open source, monitoring (Nagios, OCS, Wiki)

## Hardware:

servers, **backup server**, **SAN storage**, firewalls

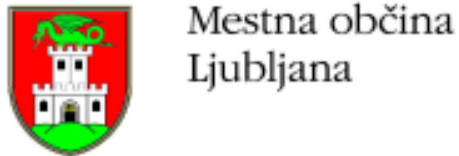
## Infrastructure:

from 1995 GNU/Linux **(20 years of experience!)**

Oracle on GNU/Linux: since RDBMS 7.1.5 & Forms 3.0 **(before Oracle!)**

**>20 years of experience with High-Availability!**







# Agenda

- What is JavaScript?
- JavaScript and Apex
- JavaScript API
  - namespaces
  - confirm, submit
  - apex.item
  - apex.server
  - apex.lang
  - apex.debug
- Asynchronous Ajax
- HighCharts





# JavaScript

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/JavaScript>

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**JavaScript** (/d ɪ v ʃkr ɪ pt/; **JS**) is a dynamic computer programming language[5]. It is most commonly used as part of web browsers, whose implementations allow client-side scripts to interact with the user, control the browser, communicate asynchronously, and alter the document content that is displayed.[5] It is also being used in server-side network programming (with Node.js), game development and the creation of desktop and mobile applications.





# JavaScript

- JavaScript and Java are unrelated
- is actually derived from C
- Originally developed by Brendan Eich (Netscape)  
<http://brendaneich.com/>
- Officially managed by Mozilla Foundations  
<https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript>
- JavaScript is based on ECMAScript standard







# JavaScript

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# JavaScript API

[https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E59726\\_01/doc.50/e39149/javascript\\_api.htm#AEAPI266](https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E59726_01/doc.50/e39149/javascript_api.htm#AEAPI266)

- apex.da namespace
- apex.debug namespace
- apex.event namespace
- apex.item
- apex.lang namespace
- apex.navigation namespace
- apex.server namespace
- apex.storage namespace
- apex.util namespace
- apex.widget namespace
- non-namespace Javascript APIs





# Legacy JavaScript APIs

[https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E59726\\_01/doc.50/e39149/javascript\\_api.htm#AEAPI30227](https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E59726_01/doc.50/e39149/javascript_api.htm#AEAPI30227)

Work has commenced to reduce the overall size of JavaScript that is loaded by Oracle Application Express when rendering a page. JavaScript functions that are no longer served on every page are gradually being moved to a legacy JavaScript file, which can be found in */libraries/apex/legacy.js*

```
/**
 * @fileOverview
 * This file holds for legacy purpose all the old non-namespaced JavaScript functions of APEX.
 *
 * */

/**
 * @deprecated Use apex.submit, or Dynamic Action "Submit Page"
 * @function
 * */
function doSubmit(pOptions){
    apex.submit(pOptions);
}

/**
 * @deprecated Use apex.confirm, or Dynamic Action "Confirm"
 * @function
 * */
function confirmDelete(pMessage,pOptions){
    apex.confirm(pMessage,pOptions);
}
```





# submit, confirm

```
//legacy.js
```

```
function doSubmit(pOptions){  
    apex.submit(pOptions);  
}
```

```
apex.submit( 'DELETE' );
```

```
apex.submit({  
    request:"CONFIRM",  
    set:{"P1_CONF_X1":654, "P1_CONF_X2":321},  
    showWait:true  
});
```

```
apex.confirm("Set values and submit?", {  
    request:"CONFIRM",  
    set:{"P1_CONF_X1":123, "P1_CONF_X2":456},  
    showWait:true  
});
```





# getElementById

**// Get element by id = "demo"**

```
var x = document.getElementById("demo");  
x.style.color = "red";
```

**// Set value**

```
document.getElementById("myText").value = "Johnny Bravo";
```

**//Set value – ReadOnly**

```
$("#myROText ").text("To display");
```





## \$x, \$v, \$s

**//Read value – same for edit or display only item**

```
x = $v("P1_TEXT");  
y = $v("P1_DISPLAY");
```

**//Set value - edit item and display only item**

```
$x("P1_TEXT").value = "Some text";  
$("#P1_DISPLAY").text("To display"); // I still need jQuery
```

**//Set value – same for edit or display only item**

```
$s("P1_TEXT","New text");  
$s("P1_DISPLAY","Also new");
```





# apex.item

**apex.item( pNd ).getValue()**

- taking into account the current item type (same as \$v )
- Returns array of string values if the item supports multiple values
- \$v2 = apex.item( pNd ).getValue // shortcut





# apex.item

```
apex.item( pNd ).setValue(pValue,  
                          pDisplayValue,  
                          pSuppressChangeEvent)
```

- pDisplayValue: in case of Popup LOV display value
- SuppressChangeEvent
- \$s = apex.item ( pNd ).setValue //shortcut

```
apex.item( "P1_ITEM" ).setValue( "10" );  
apex.item( "P1_ITEM" ).setValue( "10", "SALES", true );
```







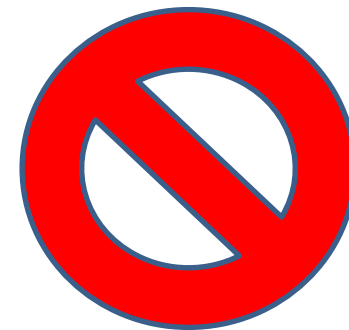
# apex.server namespace - AJAX

Application Process:DO\_SOMETHING1

```
http.p('Parameter 1: ' || APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01);  
http.p('Parameter 2: ' || APEX_APPLICATION.g_x02);
```

## JavaScript

```
var ajaxRequest =  
    new htmldb_Get(null,  
        $v('pFlowId'),  
        'APPLICATION_PROCESS=DO_SOMETHING1',  
        $v('pFlowStepId'));  
ajaxRequest.addParam('x01', 'Value 1');  
ajaxRequest.addParam('x02', 'Value 2');  
var ajaxResult = ajaxRequest.get();
```





# apex.server namespace - AJAX

Application Process:DO\_SOMETHING1

```
http.p('Parameter 1: ' || APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01);  
http.p('Parameter 2: ' || APEX_APPLICATION.g_x02);
```

## JavaScript

```
apex.server.process (  
    "DO_SOMETHING1",  
        { x01: 'Value 1'  
        ,x02: 'Value 2'  
        }  
    ,{ dataType: 'text',  
        success: function(pData){alert(pData)}  
    }  
);
```





# apex.server namespace - AJAX

Application Process:DO\_SOMETHING2

```
http.p('Parameter 1: ' || APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01);  
http.p('Parameter 2: ' || APEX_APPLICATION.g_x02);  
http.p('Page item P1_AJAX: ' || :P1_AJAX );
```

## JavaScript

```
apex.server.process (  
    "DO_SOMETHING2",  
    { x01: 'Value 1'  
    ,x02: $v('P1_AJAX')  
    ,pageItems: "P1_AJAX"  
    }  
    ,{ dataType: 'text',  
    success: function(pData){alert(pData)}  
    }  
);
```





# apex.server namespace - AJAX

## Application Process:DO\_SOMETHING3

```
declare
  l_max number;
begin
  l_max := nvl(l_max,5);

  if APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01 > 10 then
    l_max := 10;
  else
    l_max := APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01;
  end if;

  wwv_flow_utilities.pause(l_max);
end;
```





# apex.server namespace - AJAX

## JavaScript (DO\_SOMETHING3)

```
function Ajax3() {  
  if ($v('P1_AJAX')=="){  
    alert('Please enter a value!');  
    apex.item( "P1_AJAX" ).setFocus();  
  }  
  else{  
    apex.server.process (  
      "DO_SOMETHING3",  
      { x01: $v('P1_AJAX')},  
      { dataType: 'text'  
        ,success: function(pData){alert('Done')}}  
      ,loadingIndicator: '#P1_AJAX'  
    )  
  }  
};
```





# apex.server namespace - AJAX

## Application Process:DO\_SOMETHING4

```
update hroug2015  
  set datum = sysdate;
```

## JavaScript

```
function Ajax4() {  
  apex.server.process (  
    "DO_SOMETHING4",  
    {},  
    { dataType: 'text'  
      ,success: function(pData){  
        apex.event.trigger(document,  
          "refresh_date_report");  
        }  
      ,loadingIndicator: '#P1_AJAX'  
    }  
  );  
}
```





# apex.server namespace - AJAX

▼ Identification	
Name	Refresh date report
▶ Execution Options	
▼ When	
Event	Custom
Custom Event	refresh_date_report
Selection Type	JavaScript Expression
JavaScript Expression	<input type="text" value="document"/>
Condition	- Select -

▼ Identification	
Action	Refresh
▼ Affected Elements	
Selection Type	Region
Region	..Date Report



# Asynchronous Ajax

- Dynamic Actions, Wait For Result equal to yes
  - synchronous ajax request
- This will change in future release
  - Requests will be asynchronous
  - Apex 5.0 Release Notes
  - [https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E59726\\_01/doc.50/e39143/toc.htm#HTMRN270](https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E59726_01/doc.50/e39143/toc.htm#HTMRN270)
- Applications must not rely on the currently synchronous behavior
- Wait For Result will still work
- <http://hardlikesoftware.com/weblog/2015/04/15/apex-and-asynchronous-ajax/>
- <https://community.oracle.com/thread/3675812>







# Dynamic Actions - asynchronous

- Move PL/SQL code from dynamic action to application process
- Do the rest in “Execute JavaScript code”
- apex.server.process - by default in async mode

⚡ DA\_ASYNC

📁 True

Execute JavaScript Code

📁 False

```

spinner = apex.util.showSpinner($("#filter"));

apex.server.process (
  "AP_ASYNC_DEMO",
  { pageItems: ["P2_COUNT"]
  },
  {
    dataType: 'text',
    success: function(pData){
      $s('P2_COUNT_NEW', pData);
      $('#ir_report').trigger('apexrefresh');
      spinner.remove();
    }
  }
);

```



# apex.debug

- debug.error – always
- debug.info
- debug.log
- debug.trace – only on level APP\_TRACE
- debug.warn
- debug.message(pLevel,)
- debug.setLevel(pLevel)
- debug.getLevel()
- debug.LOG\_LEVEL =  
{OFF:0, ERROR:1, WARN:2, INFO:4, APP\_TRACE:6, ENGINE\_TRACE:9}

Debug log level is synchronized with the hidden item #pdebug that comes from the server





# apex.debug

```
console.log('Current log level: ' + apex.debug.getLevel());
```

```
apex.debug.info('Info message');
```

```
apex.debug.warn('Warning message');
```

```
apex.debug.error('Error message');
```

```
apex.debug.setLevel(apex.debug.LOG_LEVEL.APP_TRACE);
```

```
apex.debug.trace("Events: ", event);
```





# apex.lang

- apex.lang.addMessages
- apex.lang.clearMessages
- apex.lang.format
- apex.lang.formatMessage
- apex.lang.formatMessageNoEscape
- apex.lang.formatNoEscape
- apex.lang.getMessage

## Create/Edit Text Message

Messages are designed to provide translation services for use in PL/SQL.

\* Name  ?

Language  ?

Used in JavaScript  ?

\*  ?

Text (Example: Tax: %0 Total amount %1)

Globalization

Globalization Attributes

**Text Messages**

Translate Application





# HighCharts

• <http://www.highcharts.com/>

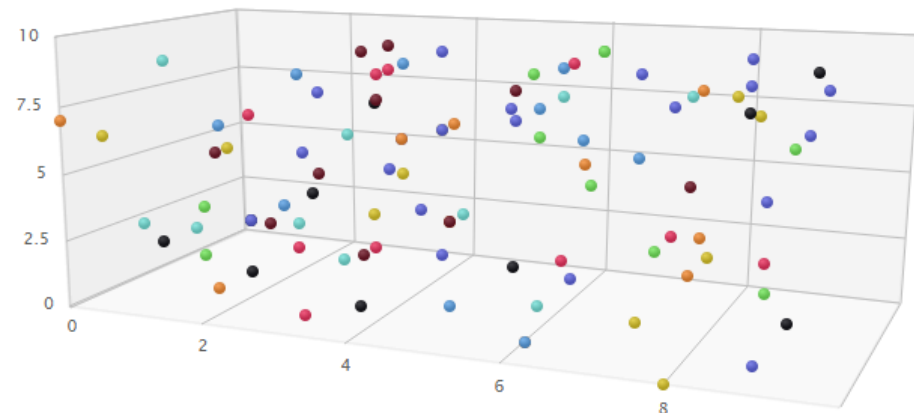
- JavaScript library
- Free for Non-commercial
- More options

□ HighStock

□ HighMaps

```
<script src="/i/highstock.js"></script>
```

```
<script src="/i/exporting.js"></script>
```





# HighCharts

## Application Process: REFRESH\_REPORT

```
--{ "name": "Tokyo" , "data": [ 7, 6.9, 9.5, ... ] }
```

```
apex_json.open_object;  
  apex_json.write('name', APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01);  
  apex_json.open_array('data');  
  --  
  for cur in (select val  
              from hc_temperatures  
              where city = upper(APEX_APPLICATION.g_x01))  
  loop  
    apex_json.write(cur.val);  
  end loop;  
  --  
  apex_json.close_array;  
apex_json.close_object;
```





# HighCharts

## JavaScript

```
function Refresh_Report() {  
  apex.server.process (  
    "REFRESH_REPORT",  
    { x01: $v('P6_CITY')},  
    {  
      dataType: 'json',  
      success: function(pData){draw_chart(pData)},  
      loadingIndicator: '#P6_CITY'  
    }  
  );  
};
```





# HighCharts

```
function draw_chart(pData){
  $(function () {
    $('#container').highcharts({
      title: {text: 'Monthly Average Temperature', x: -20 //center },
      subtitle: {text: 'Source: WorldClimate.com', x: -20
      },
      xAxis: {
        categories: ['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun','Jul', 'Aug', 'Sep', 'Oct', 'Nov', 'Dec']
      },
      yAxis: {
        title: {text: 'Temperature (°C)'},
        plotLines: [{ value: 0, width: 1, color: '#808080' }]
      },
      tooltip: { valueSuffix: '°C' },
      legend: {
        layout:'vertical', align:'right',verticalAlign:'middle', borderWidth:0},
      series: [pData]
    });
  });
}
```







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