

# Prototype

Object.prototype and Prototype: JavaScript Power Tools



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```
Object.extend = function(destination, source) {  
  for (var property in source) {  
    destination[property] = source[property];  
  }  
  return destination;  
}
```

JavaScript is a real  
~~boy~~ language.

everything's an  
object... everything.



really. everything.

# creating functions

```
function noArgument() {  
    // do stuff  
    alert("I can't argue; I have no arguments")  
}
```

```
function simpleFunction(arg1,arg2,arg3) {  
    // do stuff here  
    return arg1 + arg2 + arg3  
}
```

```
noArgument()  
// --> [alert] I can't argue; I have no arguments
```

```
simpleFunction(1,2,3)  
// --> 6
```

# look ma, no primitives!

```
var string = "Hello, I'm a string!"
```

```
// --> "Hello, I'm a string!"
```

```
string.length
```

```
// --> 20
```

```
"Hello, I'm a string!".length
```

```
// --> 20
```

# creating objects

& messing with  
properties

```
var newObject = {}  
// --> {} (empty object!)
```

```
newObject.foo = "bar"  
// --> "bar"
```

```
newObject.foo  
// --> "bar"
```

```
var anotherObject = {foo:"bar", baz:"bat"}  
// --> {foo:"bar", baz:"bat"}
```

```
anotherObject.baz  
// --> "bat"
```

```
anotherObject.baz = "zort"  
// --> "zort"
```

# creating objects

fun with the  
object literal

```
var foo = {  
  bar:"baz",  
  zort:"narf",  
  aNumber:5,  
  anArray:['banana','plaintain','ugli fruit'],  
  doStuff:function() {  
    alert("I'm doing stuff!")  
  }  
}  
  
// --> [Object object]
```



Keepin' it classy  
without classes

# creating constructors

```
function anyFunction() {}
```

```
var object = new anyFunction()
```

```
// --> [Object object]
```

# creating constructors

```
function Foo() {  
    // use this keyword inside function constructors  
    this.bar = "baz"  
    // run arbitrary code on construction  
    alert("I'm a new Foo!")  
}
```

```
var foo = new Foo()  
// --> [Object object] & [alert] I'm a new Foo!
```

```
foo.bar  
// --> "baz"
```

# extending objects

using  
prototype

```
function Person() {  
  this.greeting = "Howdy"  
  this.name = ""  
  alert("I'm a new Person!")  
}
```

```
var amy = new Person() // --> [alert] I'm a new Person!  
amy.greeting // --> "Homo sapiens"  
amy.name = "Amy" // --> "Amy"
```

```
Person.prototype.name = "Bobby"  
Person.prototype.greet = function(name) {  
  alert(this.greeting + ", " + name)  
}
```

```
amy.name // --> "Amy"  
amy.greet("Will") // --> [alert] Howdy, Will
```

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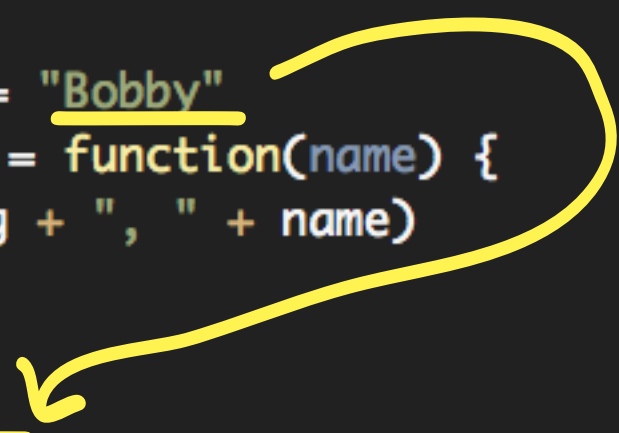
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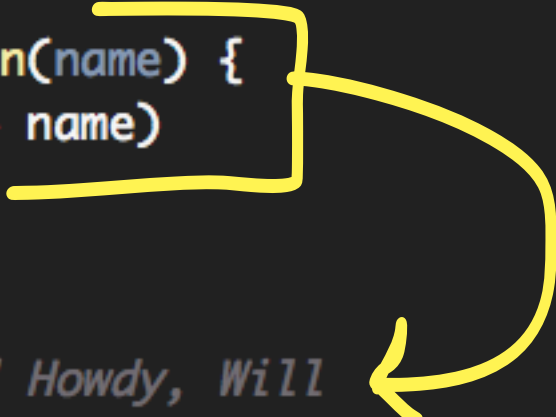
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using  
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bobby.name // --> "Bobby"
```

```
var jules = new Person() // --> [alert] I'm a new Person!  
jules.name = "Jules" // --> "Jules"  
jules.greeting = "Hiya" // --> "Hiya"
```

```
jules.greet("Thomas") // --> [alert] Hiya, Thomas  
bobby.greet("Thomas") // --> [alert] Howdy, Thomas
```

# extending objects using prototype

```
var bobby = new Person() // --> [a]
bobby.name // --> "Bobby"
```



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Person.prototype.name = "Bobby"
```

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```

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using  
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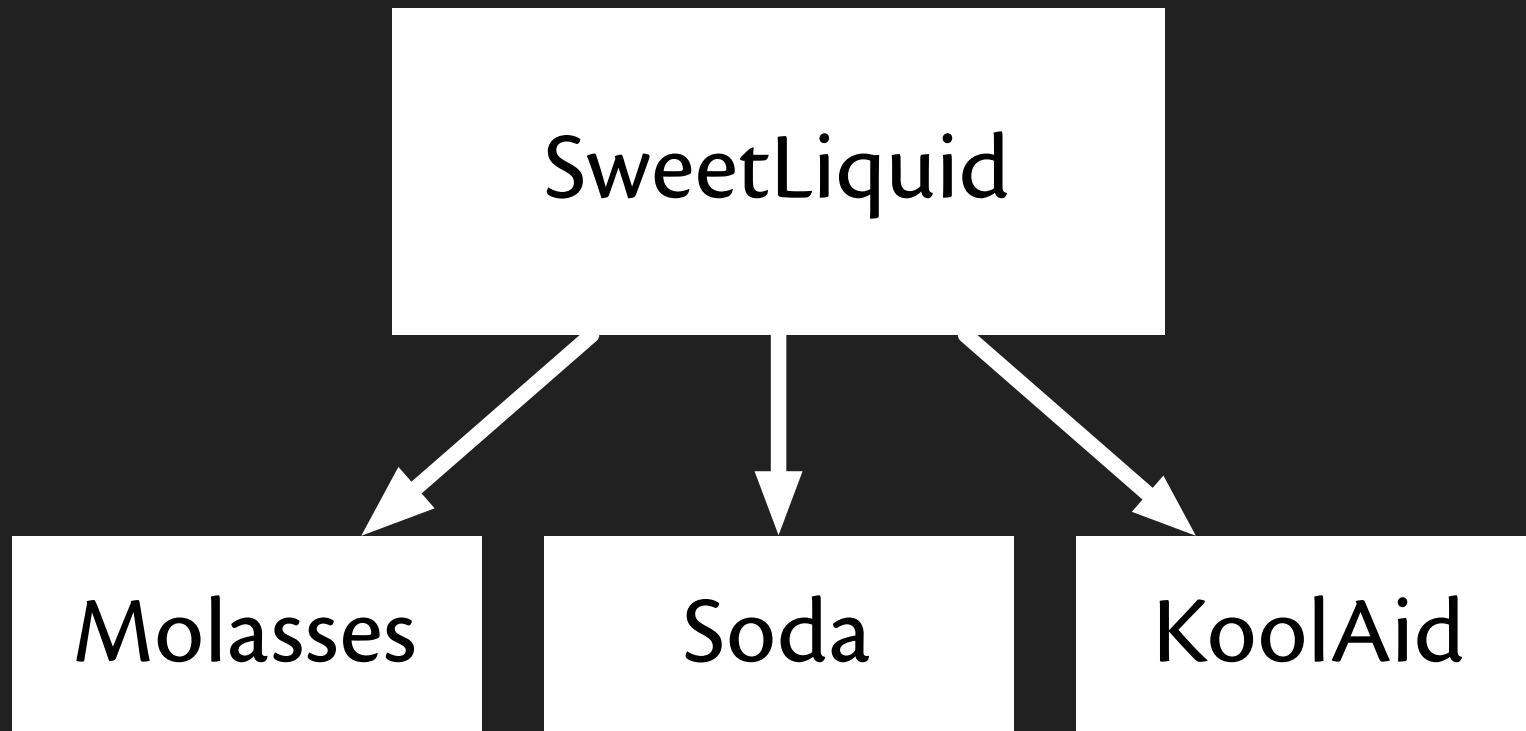
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function Person() {  
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  //...  
}
```

# more on inheritance



# creating a prototype

```
function SweetLiquid() {  
  this.volume = 500  
  this.unit = 'ml'  
  this.drink = function() { this.volume-- }  
  this.sweetnessRating = .5  
}
```

# creating objects...

```
function Soda() {}  
function Molasses() {  
    this.viscosity = "low"  
}
```

```
function KoolAid() {  
    alert("OHH YEAH!")  
    this.mascot = "awesome"  
    this.unit = 'quart'  
    this.volume = '4'  
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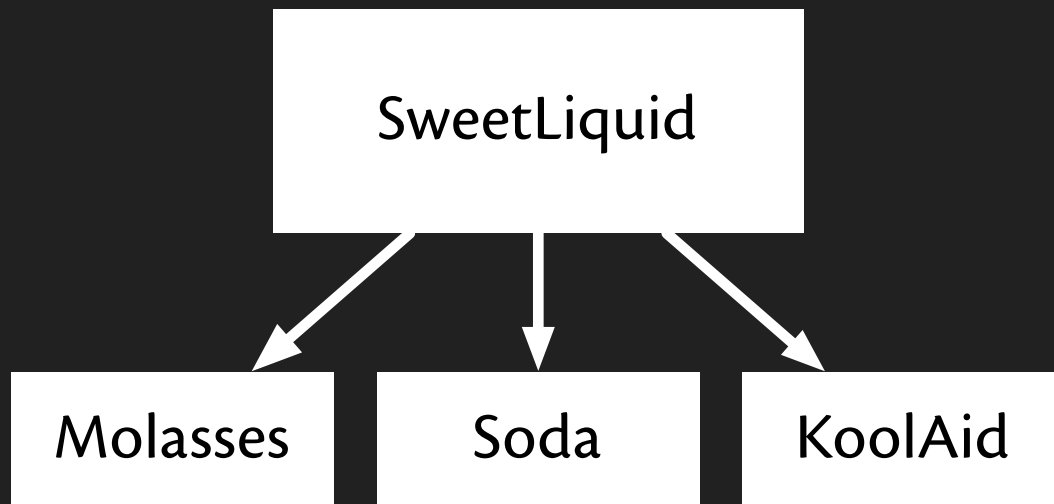
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# setting the prototype

```
Soda.prototype = new SweetLiquid  
Molasses.prototype = new SweetLiquid  
KoolAid.prototype = new SweetLiquid
```




# let's try it out!

```
var cola = new Soda // --> [Object object]  
cola.volume // --> 500  
cola.unit // --> "ml"
```

```
var strawberryKoolAid = new KoolAid  
// --> [Object object] ... [alert] "OHH YEAH!"  
strawberryKoolAid.mascot // --> "awesome"  
strawberryKoolAid.unit // --> "quart"  
strawberryKoolAid.volume // --> 4
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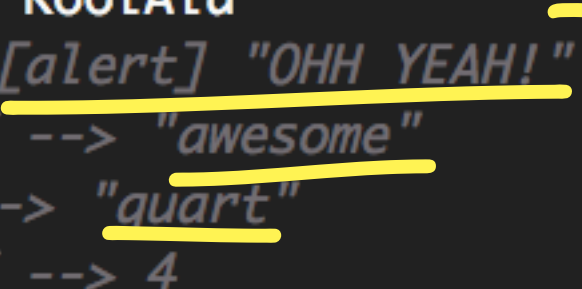
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```

# extending specific objects

```
strawberryKoolAid.spill = function(amount) {  
  this.volume = this.volume - (amount * 2)  
  return this.volume  
}
```

```
grapeKoolAid = new KoolAid  
// --> [Object object] ... [alert] "OHH YEAH!"
```

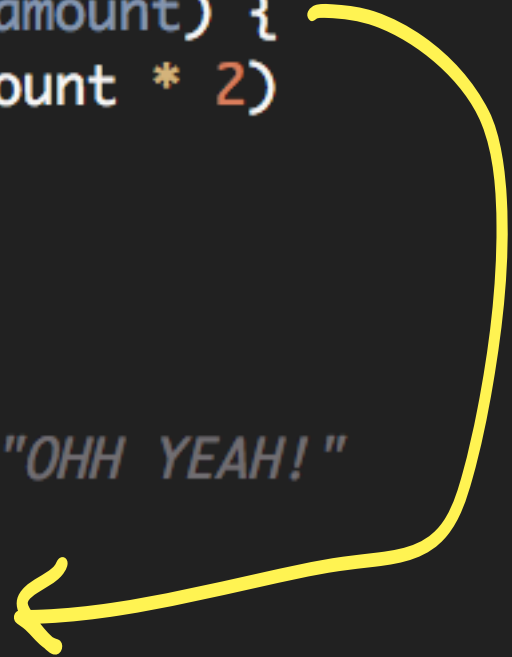
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strawberryKoolAid.spill(1) // --> 1  
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```

little p, big P



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prototype

JavaScript framework

Prototype is a JavaScript Framework that aims to ease development of dynamic web applications.

```
cells: function(row) {
  if(row == undefined) return this.tab
  return $(row).getElementsBySelector(
  },
```

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# Improves...

- built-in objects
- data types
- Ajax
- DOM



the code heard round the  
world... wide web

```
Object.extend = function(destination, source) {  
  for (var property in source) {  
    destination[property] = source[property];  
  }  
  return destination;  
}
```

# por ejemplo....

```
Object.extend(Number.prototype, {  
  toColorPart: function() {  
    var digits = this.toString(16);  
    if (this < 16) return '0' + digits;  
    return digits;  
  },  
  
  succ: function() {  
    return this + 1;  
  },  
  
  times: function(iterator) {  
    $R(0, this, true).each(iterator);  
    return this;  
  }  
});
```

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```

```
5.times ( alert("Hi!") )  
// --> [alert] Hi!, [alert] Hi!, etc.  
6.succ()  
// --> 7
```

A large, complex hedge maze made of green hedges, viewed from an elevated angle. The maze has many winding paths and dead ends. In the bottom right corner, two people are walking through the maze; one is wearing a blue shirt and the other a black shirt.

Prototype.js kicks  
all kinds of ass

# Prototype's classy

```
var Ninja = Class.create();
Ninja.prototype = {
  initialize: function(abilities) {
    this.abilities = [
      'Kick you in the face',
      'Rip out your spleen'
    ];

    this.abilities.each(function(ability) {
      this.executeAbility(ability)
    });
  },

  executeAbility: function(ability) {
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# fun with Strings

```
"<b>I'm a tag!</b>".stripTags()  
// I'm a tag!
```

```
"<b>I'm a tag!</b>".escapeHTML()  
// &lt;b&gt;I'm a tag!&lt;/b&gt;
```

```
[5,6,7,'peach',9].without('peach',7)  
// [5,6,9]
```

# fun with Enumerables

```
['one', 'two', 'three'].each (
  function(num, index) {
    msg = num + " in position " + index
  }
)
```

# convenience methods

```
<div class="box" id="unique_dom_id">Stuff</div>  
<div class="box" id="dom_id_1">More stuff</div>  
<div class="box" id="dom_id_2">YA stuff</div>
```

```
var element_single = $('unique_dom_id')  
var elements_collection = $('dom_id_1', 'dom_id_2')  
var elements_collection_css = $('box')
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# fun with forms

```
Form.focusFirstElement("formtastic");  
$("#formtastic").focusFirstElement();
```

```
$('text1').activate();  
Form.Element.activate('text1');
```

```
$('text1').focus();  
$('select1').focus();  
Form.Element.activate('text1');
```

# simplest ajax possible

```
new Ajax.Request("page.php");
```

# the options hash

```
new Ajax.Updater('results', 'backend.php', {  
  method: 'get',  
  evalScripts: true  
})
```

```
<div id="results"> <!-- insert here --></div>
```

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# insertion & options

```
new Ajax.Request('results', '/some_url', {  
  method: 'get',  
  onSuccess: function(transport){  
    var response = transport.responseText || "no response text"  
    alert("Success! \n\n" + response)  
  },  
  onFailure: function(){ alert('Something went wrong...') }  
})
```

```
<div id="results"> <!-- insert here --></div>
```

# callbacks

- onUnitialized
- onCreate
- onLoading
- onLoaded
- onInteractive
- onComplete
- onException
- onFailure
- onSuccess
- on200
- on404

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