jQuery templates and data link

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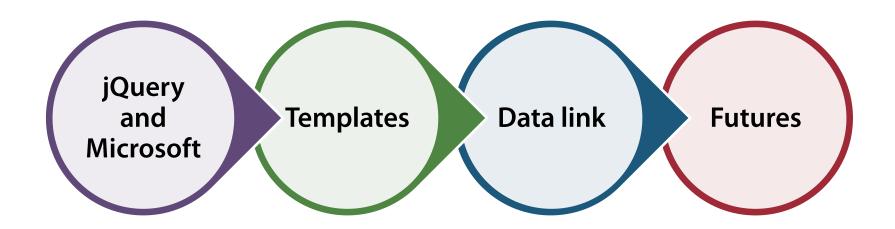
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Outline





Microsoft and jQuery

Ajax client library + jQuery's meteoric rise to popularity

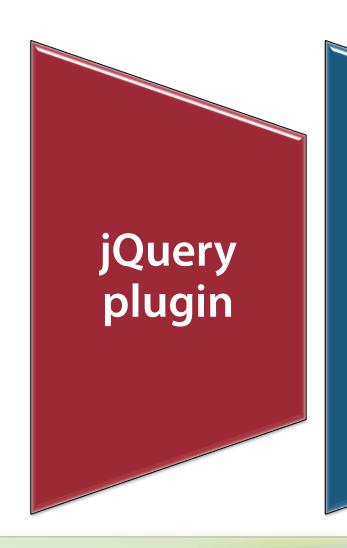
• Shift in focus

MS contributes to jQuery

- Templates
- data-link
- Globalization



jQuery templates



Client – side templates

Features

- Single object or arrays
- Conditionals
- Local or remote data



Available template tags

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${} – an expression or field
{{if}} and {{else}} – conditional output
{{each}} – iterate over array elements
{{tmpl}} – invoke another template
{{html}} - use literal (aka unencoded) HTML data
{{wrap}} - wrap another template which includes HTML
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data-link

Binding one object to another

Uses change events to update targets

Currently "a little rough" in some aspects

Support for control types



Futures

jsRender + jsViews

 Update to templates and linking

jQuery Datagrid

 Updates to some core plug-ins / APIs (including templates and binding)



Related libraries

Knockout.js

MVVM for JavaScript

http://knockoutjs.com

Backbone.js

MVC for JavaScript with REST service support

http://documentcloud.github.com/backbone/



Summary

- jQuery provides a rich library for client side programming
- Templates and linking simplify your client rendering and binding
- This space is moving and new libraries will keep appearing
 - They're JavaScript, so you can tweak to your liking

