

The Bleeding Edge of Web Technology

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Why Am I Talking About This?

- What I do at Mozilla.
- The goal: a plugin-free Web.
- The future is **awesome**.

New Technologies

- HTML5
- CSS3
- Server-Sent Events
- WebSockets
- WebGL

HTML5

- <progress> element.
- <input> validation.
- So much awesomeness I'm not going to talk about it, because everyone else already has.

CSS3 Animations

- Animate content without scripting.
- Most CSS styling can be animated, such as:
 - Position, size, color, style, backgrounds, opacity, and so forth.
- https://developer.mozilla.org/en/CSS/CSS_animations

A Simple Example

```
<style type="text/css">
  h1 {
    -moz-animation-duration: 3s;
    -moz-animation-name: slidein;
  }

  @-moz-keyframes slidein {
    from {
      margin-left: 100%;
      width: 300%
    }

    to {
      margin-left: 0%;
      width: 100%;
    }
  }
</style>
```

CSS Transitions

- Lets you change the style of an element over time instead of instantly.
- Great for visual effects in user interfaces, for example.
- https://developer.mozilla.org/en/CSS/CSS_transitions

Server-Sent Events

- Let servers send messages to browsers without polling.
- So new, I don't even have a demo, but...

Using SSEs

```
var source = new EventSource('updates.cgi');
source.onmessage = function (event) {
  alert(event.data);
};
```

- Server sends messages with the text/event-stream MIME type.
- See <http://dev.w3.org/html5/eventsource/>

WebSockets

- True bidirectional, real-time communication between browser and server.
- <https://developer.mozilla.org/en/WebSockets>
- Let's look at some code and an example!

WebGL

- Use OpenGL ES from web content.
- Works in Firefox and Google Chrome.

Initializing WebGL

```
function start() {
    var canvas = document.getElementById("glcanvas");

    initWebGL(canvas);          // Initialize the GL context

    // Only continue if WebGL is available and working

    if (gl) {
        gl.clearColor(0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0);
        gl.clearDepth(1.0);
        gl.enable(gl.DEPTH_TEST);
        gl.depthFunc(gl.LEQUAL);
        gl.clear(gl.COLOR_BUFFER_BIT|gl.DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);
    }
}
```

Creating a GL Context

```
function initWebGL(canvas) {
    gl = null;

    try {
        gl = canvas.getContext("experimental-webgl");
    }
    catch(e) {}

    // If we don't have a GL context, give up now
    if (!gl) {
        alert("Unable to initialize WebGL. Your browser may not support it.");
    }
}
```

Demo Hawtness!

- Let's see some fun demos!