ASP.NET Using Knockout.js, Part 1 of 2: Getting Started

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Prerequisites: This course assumes that the users have an understanding of developing web applications using HTML, ASP.NET, and JavaScript in a Visual Studio 2010 development environment.

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Course description: JavaScript is becoming more of a development standard for web applications. JavaScript libraries have expanded and a new library is Knockout.js. Knockout.js lets developers create rich, responsive user interfaces. This course will cover the whys and hows of Knockout.js. It will touch upon the 3 core features of Knockout.js and why Model-View-View Model (MVVM) is an important part of Knockout.js. Then the course will talk about how Observables can be used to customize View Model fields.

Course outline:

Overview
• Introduction
• What is KnockoutJS and Why
• What is KnockoutJS
• What is not KnockoutJS
• 3 Core Features
• Model-View-View-Model
  (MVVM)
• Summary

Getting Started
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• Getting Started
• Demo: MVC 4 Project
• Demo: View Observables
• Update KO
• Demo: Update KO
• Demo: MVC 4 Bundles
• Demo: Connecting DataBase
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Observables
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• Observables: Example
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• Demo: Simple View Model
• Demo: KO Observable
• Computed Observables
• Demo: Computed Observables
• Demo: Computed View Model
• Demo: Bind View Model
• Observable Arrays

• Demo: Observable Arrays
• Demo: Add Button
• Demo: Array View Model
• Demo: Debug
• Summary