HTML

Web Publishing with HTML

- HyperText Markup Language (HTML) is the language for specifying the *static* content of Web pages
 - hypertext refers to the fact that Web pages are more than just text
 - can contain multimedia, provide links for jumping within
 & without
 - markup refers to the fact that it works by augmenting text with special symbols (tags) that identify structure and content type
 - There are many versions of HTML and different

Web Development Tools

Many high-level tools exist for creating Web pages

```
e.g., Microsoft FrontPage, Adobe PageMill,
Macromedia DreamWeaver, ...
also, many applications have "save to HTML" options
(e.g., Word)
```

for most users who want to develop basic, static Web pages, these are fine (but they still may produce poorly structured HTML code)

Web Development Tools

- so, why are we learning low-level HTML using a basic text editor?
 - may want low-level control
 - may want to "steal" page components and integrate into existing pages
 - may want dynamic features such as scripts or applets
 - remote editing of web pages may only be possible using a basic text editor
 - In order to write web-based application one needs to know HTML since server-side scripts and programs that programmers write themselves

Major Syntax Components

- <TAG parameters="values"> text </TAG>
- <TAG parameters="values">
- You may have many parameters or no parameters at all.
- HTML is not case sensitive
- Values can be case sensitive
- Tags for changing appearance of text, tags for structuring sections, tags for embedding objects, etc.

Page Structure

```
<HTML>
  <HEAD>
      <TITLE>title text here</TITLE>
                                               title text here
  </HEAD>
  <BODY BGCOLOR="#00FF00">
      Text and tags come here
  </BODY>
</HTML>
```

What Comes in the Head?

<head> </head>	Header section of the HTML page

Optional Head elements:

<title></title>	Title of page
<script></script> <style></style>	Embedded script programs Specify cascading style sheets
<link/>	Creates associations between pages Useful for printing linked pages
<meta/>	Records document information

What Comes in the Body?

 <BODY ...> </BODY> Body section of the HTML page.

Optional parameters for BODY tag:

Specifies the color of the background Specifies the color of

the text

Specifies the color of the unvisited hyperlinks

Specifies the color of the visited hyperlinks Specifies the

color of the links currently seleced

BGCOLOR

TEXT

LINK

VLINK

ALINK

what is difference between link & alink & vlink

Tags vs. Elements

definition of tag

- HTML specifies a set of tags that identify structure and content type
 - tags are enclosed in < >
 - specifies an image
 - most tags come in pairs, marking a beginning and ending
 - <title> and </title> enclose the title of a page

Tags vs. Elements

definition of element

an HTML *element* is an object enclosed by a pair of tags

- <title>My Home Page</title> is a TITLE element
- This text appears bold. is a BOLD element
- Part of this text is bold.
 » is a PARAGRAPH element that contains a BOLD element

Structural Elements

- an HTML document has two main structural elements
 - HEAD contains setup information for the browser & the Web page
 - e.g., the title for the browser window, style definitions, JavaScript code, ...

```
Shtml> BODY contains the actual content to pendisplayed in the passen
 <!-- cpmputer application --
                                             <html> and </html> tags
  -- Shoubra faculty of eng --
 <head>
                                             Comments appear between <! -- and -->
  <title>My first HTML
document</title>
                                             HEAD section enclosed between <head>
 </head>
                                             and </head>
 <body>
  Hello world!
 </body>
                                             BODY section enclosed between <body>
</html>
                                             and </body>
```

Text Layout

```
< ht.ml>
<!-- Computer Application -->
<head>
 <title>Text Layout</title>
</head>
<body>
 >
 This is a paragraph of text<br/>
 made up of two lines.
 >
 This is another paragraph with a
   GAP   between
 some of the words.
 >
     This paragraph is<br/>
 indented on the first line<br/>
 but not on subsequent lines.
 </body>
             view page
</html>
```

design

•for the most part, layout of the text must be left to the browser

- every sequence of whitespace is interpreted as a single space
- browser automatically wraps the text to fit the window size

can override some text layout

- can specify a new paragraph
 (starts on a new line, preceded by a blank line) using

can force a space character using

Separating Blocks of Text

```
<html>
<!-- Computer Application-->
<head>
  <title>Blocks of Text</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Major heading 1</h1>
  >
 Here is some text.
  <h2>Subheading</h2>
  >
  Here is some subtext.
  < q >
  <hr/>
  <h1>Major heading 2</h1>
  >
 Here is some more text.
  view page
</body>
</html>
```

can specify headings for paragraphs or blocks of text

- <h1>...</h1> tags produce a large, bold heading
- <h2>...</h2> tags produce a slightly smaller heading

• . . .

- <h6>...</h6> tags produce a tiny heading
- can insert a horizontal rule to divide sections
 - <hr/> draws line across
 window

The Basic Web page – A Worked Example

```
<html>
<!-- Computer Application-->
  <head>
     <title> Bill Smiggins Inc. </title>
  </head>
  <body>
     <h1>Bill Smiggins Inc.</h1>
     <h2>About our Company...</h2>
     This Web site provides clients, customers,
         interested parties and our staff with all of
        the information that they could want on
         our products, services, success and failures.
     <hr/>
     <h3> Products </h3>
      We are probably the largest
      supplier of custom widgets, thingummybobs, and bits
     and pieces in North America. 
     <hr/>
```

. </body>
. </html>

```
<html>
<!-- Computer Application -->
<head>
 <title>Text Variations and Escape
Sequences</title>
</head>
<body>
 <h1>Text Variations</h1>
 We can use <b>simple</b> tags to
    <i>change</i> the appearance of
    <strong>text</strong> within
    <tt>Web pages</tt>.
    Even super<sup>script</sup>
    and sub<sub>scripts</sub> are
     <em>supported.
  <h1>Text Escape Sequences</h1>
 >
   & < &qt; &quot; &copy;
 <h1>Preformatted text</h1>
     <
        University of Benha
        Faculty of Eng.
        Department of WEW QAGE al Eng
        Shoubra Street
```

•can specify styles for fonts

- ... specify bold
- <i>... </i> specify italics
- <tt>... </tt> specify
 typewriter-like (fixed-width)
 font
- <big>... </big> increase the size of the font
- <small>... </small>
- decrease the size of the font
- ... put emphasis
- ...
 put even more emphasis
- _{...} specify a
 subscript
- ^{...} a
 superscript
- ... include
 ready-formatted text

important table

Escape Character	HTML code	Meaning
&	&	Ampersand
<	<	Less than
>	>	Greater than
@	©	Copyright symbol
á	á	Lowercase a with acute accent
à	à	Lowercase a with grave accent
â	â	Lowercase a with circumflex
ä	ä	Lowercase a with amlaut
å	å	Lowercase a with ring
ç	ç	Lowercase c with cedilla
Ø	ø	Lowercase o with slash

```
< html>
<head>
  <title>my page</title>
</head>
<body>
  courselogy it should only be font not basefont
<br/>basefont face="arial, verdana, courier"
  size="4" color="green">
  Hello! This is my page. <br>
  All text looks the same <br >
  since I only specified a basefont. <br
</body>
```

The base ont> tag specifies a default font-color, font-size, or font-family for all the text in a document.

The <basefont> tag is only supported by Internet Explorer, and should be avoided!

```
<html>
  <head>
      <title>My Page</title>
  </head>
  <body>
      <basefont color="green" face="arial" size="4">
      Hello! This is my page.<br><br>
      <font color="red" face="arial" size="2">
      This local text looks different.
      </font>
      <br><
                       like the first line.
      This text looks
  </body>
                         view page
</html>
<font size="7" face="Georgia, Arial" color="maroon">C
</font>ustomize your font to achieve a desired look.
```

Background sound

```
<html>
<head>
<title>Bgsound Sample</title>
</head>
<body>
<h1>This is a sample of a page with a background sound</h1>
<bgsound src="bgsound.wav" loop="3" />
</body>
The > bgsound /> works only on Internet Explorer.
 □the src=" " attribute to identify the sound file you want to attach.
 ☐ The loop attribute will allow you to specify how long the sound should play.
     □ "infinite" → Endless repeating loop
     ■ 1 → sound plays when the page is loaded
     \square N \rightarrow will cause the sound to play N times.
```

Text links

- Click here to go to yahoo.
- Specify the target in the -.
- Then add the text that should work as a link.
- Finally add an tag to indicate where the link end

Text format

important table

text	writes text as bold
<i><i>text</i></i>	writes text in italics
<u><u>text</u></u>	writes underlined text
{{text}}	lowers text and makes it smaller
^{text}	lifts text and makes it smaller
<strike>text</strike>	strikes a line through the text
<tt>text</tt>	writes text as on a classic typewriter
<pre>text</pre>	writes text exactly as it is, including spaces.
text	usually makes text emphasized
text	usually makes text bold

Text size

 dig>text /big>	increase the size by one
<small>text</small>	decrease the size by one
<h1>text</h1>	writes text in biggest heading
<h6>text</h6>	writes text in smallest heading
text	writes text in smallest fontsize. (8 pt)
 text	writes text in biggest fontsize (36 pt)

Text layout

```
HTML
Hello world -
     a linebreak does not
     insert a linebreak in HTML
you will need
to insert
special tags
that will insert<br>
     linebreaks<br>
     where<br>
     you want it!<br>
     <br/>br>
     Another method is of course to write a sentence, that is long enough to force a linebreak.<br/>
     <br>
<nobr>This option can however be turned off<wbr>with the nobr tag,<wbr>unless a wbr is used to force it!</nobr>
<center>You can center</center>
     And turn the center off
     <div align="center">And on!</div>
     <div align="left">Go left!</div>
     <div align="right">Go Right!</div>
                                                                                       view page
```

- there are 3 different types of list elements
- >... specifies an ordered list (using numbers or letters to label each list item)
 - •<1i>identifies each list item
 - •can set type of ordering, start index
- >... specifies unordered list (using a bullet for each)
 - •<1i>identifies each list item

```
- dl>...
- dl>...
- dl>...
- li>text
| li>text
| li>text
- li>te
```

Numbered Lists

```
<dl>
<dl>
<dt>Coffee</dt>
<dd>Black hot drink</dd>
<dt>Milk</dt>
<dd>White cold drink</dd>
</dl>
```

view page

- A. Introduction
 - 1. Title
- a. Author
- b. Institution
- c. Working title (20 words or fewer)
- 2. Justification for research
 - a. What? Why?
- Findings
- 4. Conclusions
- B. Body of Paper
 - 1. Previous research
 - 2. Research methods used
 - 3. Results and findings

```
  type="A">

Introduction
  <0|>
  Title
      Author
      Institution 
      Working title (20 words or fewer) 
      Justification for research
      What? Why? 
      Findings 
  Conclusion 
  Body of Paper
  Previous research 
  Research methods used
```

Hyperlinks

```
<html>
<!-- Computer application course-->
<head>
  <title>Hyperlinks</title>
</head>
<body>
  >
  <a href="http://www.benha-univ.edu.eg">
  The University of Benha</a>
  <br/>>
  <a href="fontbut.html" target=" blank">
  Open fontbut page in a new window</a>
  </body>
              view page
</html
```

perhaps the most important HTML element is the hyperlink, or ANCHOR

```
- <a href="URL">...</a>
```

•where URL is the Web address of the page to be displayed when the user clicks on the link

•if the page is accessed over the Web, must start with http://

•if not there, the browser will assume it is the name of a local file

what is that?

```
- <a href="URL"
target="_blank">...</a>
```

Hyperlinks (cont.)

```
<html>
<!-- Computer Application -->
<head>
  <title>Internal Links in a Page</title>
</head>
<body>
  >
  [ <a href="#HTML">HTML</a> |
    <a href="#HTTP">HTTP</a> |
    <a href="#IP">IP</a> |
    <a href="#TCP">TCP</a> ]
  >
  Computer acronyms:
  <d1>
   <a name="HTML"></a><dt>HTML</dt>
   <dd>HyperText Markup Language
   <a name="HTTP"></a><dt>HTTP</dt>
   <dd>HyperText Transfer Protocol...</dd>
   < a name = "IP" > </a> < dt>IP </dt>
   <dd>Internet Protocol...</dd>
   <a name="TCP"></a><dt>TCP</dt>
   <dd>Transfer Control Protocol...</dd>
  </dl>
```

•for long documents, you can even have links to other locations in that document

- ...
 - where ident is a variable for identifying this location

- ...
 - •will then jump to that location within the file
- ...
 view page
 •can jump into the middle of

another file just as easily

Hyperlinks (cont.)

```
<body link="green" vlink="blue" alink="red">
```

```
Click <a href="http://www.yahoo.com">here to go to yahoo.</a><br>
```

Click here to go to hotmail.

view page

```
<body link="#0000FF" vlink="#800080" alink="#FF0000">
```

Click here to go to yahoo.

Click here to go to hotmail.

Click here to go to google.

Hyperlinks targets

☐ Predefined targets are:

- **blank** loads the page into a new browser window.
- **_self** loads the page into the current window.
- **parent** loads the page into the frame that is superior to the frame the hyperlink is in.
- **top** cancels all frames, and loads in full browser window.

Jumping into organized list

```
<html>
                                                      <a name="i-1"></a>
                                                      < h2 > I - L < / h2 >
<title>Jazz Institute Internal Phone Book</title>
<body>
                                                      Jackson, Milt (x0434) < br />
<h1>Jazz Institute Internal Phone Book</h1>
                                                      Laffite, Guy (x5358) < br/>
                                                      <a name="m-n"></a>
Section Shortcut: <a href="#a-c">[A-C]</a>
                                                      < h2 > M-N < / h2 >
<a href="#d-h">[D-H]</a>
<a href="#i-l">[I-L]</a>
                                                      Monk, Thelonious (x3333) <br/>
<a href="#m-n">[M-N]</a>
                                                      Noone, Jimmy (x5123) < br />
<a href="#o-s">[O-S]</a>
                                                      <a name="o-s"></a>
<a href="#t-z">[T-Z]</a>
                                                      <h2>O-S</h2>
<br />
                                                      Parker, Charlie (x4141) <br/>
                                                      Peterson, Oscar (x8983) <br/> />
<a name="a-c"></a>
<h2>A-C</h2>
                                                      Reinhardt, Django (x5351) <br/> <br/> />
Benson, George (x5531) <br />
                                                      <a name="t-z"></a>
Coleman, Ornette (x5143) <br />
                                                      < h2 > T-Z < /h2 >
Coltrane, John (x5544)
                                                      Taylor, Billy (x3311) <br/>
<a name="d-h"></a>
                                                      Tyner, McCoy (x4131) <br/>
<h2>D-H</h2>
                                                      Waller_Fats (x1321) <br/>
                                            view page </body>
Dorsey, Tom (x9412) <br />
```

</html>

Ellington, Duke (x3133)

Tables

- tables are common tools for arranging complex layout on a Web page
 - a table divides contents into rows and columns

by default, column entries are left-justified, so provide for

```
<htmlignment
<!--Computer Application-->
<head>
  <title>Tables</title>
</head>
<body>
<h2>A Simple Table</h2>
  \langle tr \rangle
     Left Column 
     Right Column 
  \langle t.r \rangle
     Some data 
    Some data 
  </body>
</html>
```

```
... specify a table element

...
    specify a row in the table

...
    specify table data (i.e., each column entry in the table)
```

Tables formatting

Tag	Meaning
border="n"	Width of enclosed area surrounding table; if border="0", this also eliminates the grid lines within the table itself
cellspacing="n"	Spacing between individual cells
cellpadding="n"	Space between border and contents of cell
width="n"	Desired width; overrides automatic width calculations (value or percentage)

Example

```
<h3>Common Cable TV Channels</h3>

MTV
MTV
EPSN
CNN Headline News
WTBS Atlanta
```

Tables formatting

```
<h3>Common Cable TV Channels</h3>
MTV
EPSN
CNN Headline News
WTBS Atlanta
<div>cellpadding=10</div>
<hr />
MTV
EPSN
CNN Headline News
WTBS Atlanta
view page
<div> cellspacing=10</div>
```

Tables formatting

```
Heading for making head cell to the table
Another Heading
row 1, cell 1
row 1, cell 2
row 2, cell 1
view page
```

Tables formatting

```
ShowAirs on
to define align of the text in the cells
Sherlock Holmes<Monday</td>
Lovejoylign="right">Monday
view page
```

Tables formatting

```
<span>Arts & amp; Entertainment Network</span>
ShowAirs on
Sherlock HolmesMonday
LovejoyMonday
view page
```

Images

- can include images using IMG
 - by default, browsers can display GIF and JPEG files
- other image formats may require plug-in applications for display we can url of a photo on the web or a photo on the computer

to define text appear when no picture

```
•<img src="URL"|"name" height="n" width="n" alt="text"
title= "text" />
```

to define text appear while clicking on the picture

Images

```
<img src="http://www.benha-univ.com/rainbow.gif"> <br>
<img src="rainbow.gif"> <br>
<img src="rainbow.gif" width="60" height="60"> <br>
<img src="rainbow.gif" border="5"> <br>
<img src="rainbow.gif" border="5"> <br>
<img src="rainbow.gif" alt="This is a text that goes with the image"> <br>
<br>
<br>
<img src="rainbow.gif" alt="This is a text that goes with the image"> <br>
<br/>
<img src="rainbow.gif" Hspace="30" Vspace="10"> <br>
<br/>
<br/>
<img src="rainbow.gif" Hspace="30" Vspace="10"> <br>
<br/>
<img src="rainbow.gif"</td>
```

Alignment of images

important table not very clear

```
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="texttop">
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="top">
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="middle">
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="absmiddle">
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="bottom">
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="absbottom">
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="baseline">
```

Wrap text around

```
<img src="rainbow.gif" align="left">
bla bla bla bla<br>
bla bla bla bla<br>
bla bla bla bla<br>
```


Image mapping

Adding Comments

- Comments can be added to an ATHL file
- Comments are ignored by the HTML interpreter.

```
<!-- These can be added to an HTML file-->
<!--
These are also comments
-->
```

 frames provide the ability to split the screen into independent parts

Frames are going out of fashion, partly because they interact poorly with web search engines (i.e. search engines cannot generally access the data stored in the inset frame objects).

Frames can also "break" the regular behaviour of browsers, most notably the "Back" button on the browser can behave in unexpected ways.

 Frames present a different template for HTML documents they were introduced as a standard in HTML 3.2

- Rather than HEAD and BODY, the document has HEAD and FRAMESET.
- The FRAMESET divides the document in a set of frames, each referring to URL.
- Frames contain sub documents, however, while a frame is an HTML document per set, the set of frames is also a document.

</html>

```
<HTML>
<head>
   <title>My Frames Page</title>
</head>
<frameset rows="16%,84%">
   <frame src="top.htm" name="top">
<frameset cols="50%,50%">
   <frame src="left.htm" name="left">
   <frame src="right.htm" name="right">
</frameset>
</frameset>
</HTML>
```

```
<frameset rows="50%,50%" cols="50%,50%">

<frame src="topleft.htm" name="topleft">

<frame src="topright.htm" name="topright">

<frame src="botleft.htm" name="botleft">

<frame src="botright.htm" name="botright">

<frameset>
```

Non resizable frame

```
<frameset cols="120,*" frameborder="0" border="0" framespacing="0">
        <frame src="menu.htm" name="menu" noresize>
        <frame src="frontf.htm" name="main" noresize>
        </frameset>
```

view page

Scrollbars frames

HTML Validators

- Browsers try to guess how to render pages in presence of incorrect HTML.
- Browsers don't guess the same way.
- When there is incorrect HTML the result is unpredictable.
- With errors, some pages may still look fine with some browsers but not with others.
- Some browser specific HTML is non conform to the standards.
- W3C HTML validation service http://validator.w3.org

Web rules of thumb

- HTML and CSS provide lots of neat features, but just because you can add a feature doesn't mean you should!
 - use color & fonts sparingly and be careful how elements fit together
 e.g, no purple text on a pink background, no weird fonts
 e.g. I find white text on a black background difficult to read
 - use images only where appropriate
 e.g., bright background images can make text hard to read
 e.g., the use of clickable images instead of buttons or links can slow access
 - don't rely on window or font size for layout e.g., font size may be adjusted by viewer, window constrained
 - don't be annoyinge.g., no pop-up windows, excessive advertising, silly music

Project 1

• project1