HTML Tables and Forms

Chapter 4

Objectives

Introducing Tables

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Introducing Forms

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INTRODUCING TABLES

HTML Tables

A grid of cells

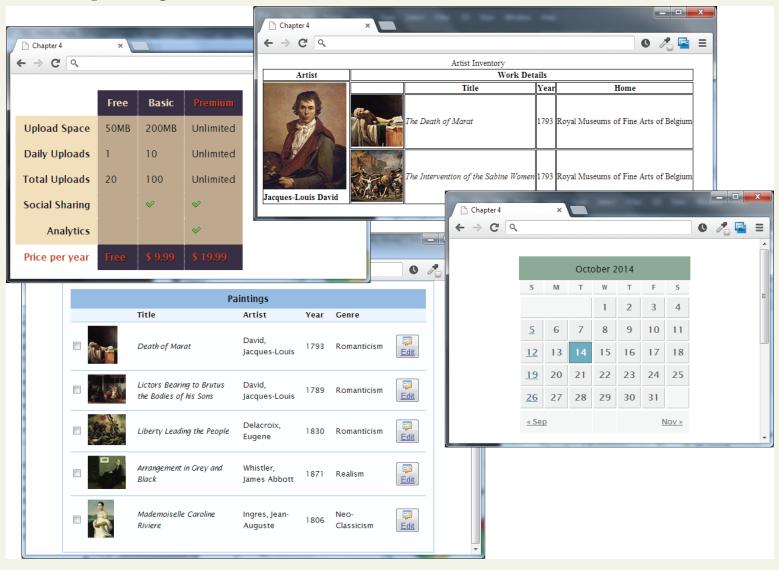
A table in HTML is created using the element

Tables can be used to display:

- Many types of content
 - •Calendars, financial data, lists, etc...
- Any type of data
 - •Images
 - Text
 - •Links
 - Other tables

HTML Tables

Example usages



Tables Basics

Rows and cells

- an HTML contains any number of rows ()
- each row contains any number of table data cells ()
- Content goes inside of tags

```
The Death of Marat
```

A basic Example

The Death of Marat Jacques-Louis David 1793 162cm 128cm **Burial at Ornans Gustave Courbet** 1849 314cm 663cm

```
The Death of Marat
                                                        Jacques-Louis David
                                 Chapter 4
     1793
                                      ا listing04-01.html
                                                          P<sub>□</sub> ≡
     162cm
                                 The Death of Marat Jacques-Louis David 1793 162cm 128cm
     128cm
                                 Burial at Ornans Gustave Courbet
                                                1849 314cm 663cm
   Burial at Ornans
     Gustave Courbet
     1849
     314cm
     663cm
```

With Table Headings

	Title .	Artist	Year	Width	Height .
	The Death of Marat	Jacques-Louis David	1793	162cm	128cm
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	<	<			<
<t<i>r></t<i>	Burial at Ornans	Gustave Courbet	1849	314cm	663cm
	<	<			

```
Title
           Artist
                                      Chapter 4
th
           Year
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                                     ← ⇒ C Q Figure04-02.html
           Width
                                        Title
                                              Artist
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           Height
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                                     Burial at Ornans Gustave Courbet 1849 314cm 663cm
         The Death of Marat
           Jacques-Louis David
           1793
           162cm
           128cm
         Burial at Ornans
           Gustave Courbet
           1849
           314cm
           663cm
```

Why Table Headings

A table heading

- Browsers tend to make the content within a
 element bold
- element for accessibility (it helps those using screen readers)
- Provides some semantic info about the row being a row of headers

Spanning Rows and Columns

Span Span a Row

Each row must have the same number of or or containers. If you want a given cell to cover several columns or rows,

Title	Artist	Year	Size (width x height)	
			<ti< td=""><td>h colspan=2></td></ti<>	h colspan=2>
The Death of Marat	Jacques-Louis David	1793 <t<i>d></t<i>	162cm < <i>td</i> >	128cm < <i>td</i> >
Burial at Ornans	Gustave Courbet	1849 <t<i>d></t<i>	314cm < <i>td</i> >	663cm <i></i>

use the colspan or rowspan attributes

Using Tables for Layout

It works in many situations

- Popular in 1990s
- Results in table bloat
- Not semantic
- Larger HTML pages
- Browser quirks

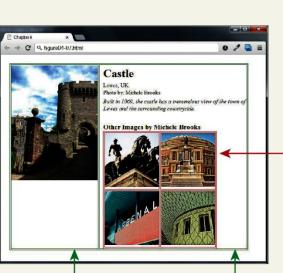
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Artist >	Title		Year	
	The Death of Marat	>	1793 <t<i>d></t<i>	
Jacques-Louis David	The Intervention of the Sabine Women	>	1799 >	
	Napoleon Crossing the Alps	>	1800 >	

```
Artist
             Title
             Year
           Jacques-Louis David
             The Death of Marat
             1793
           The Intervention of the Sabine Women
Notice that these
             1799
two rows now only
           have two cell
           elements.
             Napoleon Crossing the Alps
             1800
```

Example Table layouts





```
<img src="images/959.jpg" alt="Castle"/>
  <h2>Castle</h2>
    Lewes, UK
    Photo by: Michele Brooks
    Built in 1069, the castle has a tremendous
      view of the town of Lewes and the
      surrounding countryside.
    <h3>Other Images by Michele Brooks</h3>
    <imq src="images/464.jpg" />
       <imq src="images/537.ipg" />
     <imq src="images/700.jpg" />
       <img src="images/828.jpg" />
```

Additional table tags

```
A title for the
<caption>
                                           table is good for
                                              <caption>19th Century French Paintings</caption>
                           accessibility.
                                              <col class="artistName" />
                                              <colgroup id="paintingColumns">
                                                  <col />
<col>, <colgroup>These describe our
                                                  <col />
                           columns, and can be
                                              </colgroup>
                           used to aid in styling.
                                              <thead>
<thead>
                                                                     Chapter 4
                                                 % ≡
                           Table header could
                                                                    ← → C Q figure04-06.html
                                                    Title
                           potentially also
                                                    Artist
                                                                        19th Century French Paintings
                           include other >
                                                    Year
<tfoot>
                                                                    The Death of Marat Jacques-Louis David 1793
                           elements.
                                                 Burial at Ornans Gustave Courbet
                                              </thead>
                                                                    Total Number of Paintings
                                              <tfoot>
Yes, the table footer
                                                 Total Number of Paintings
                           comes before the
                                                    2
                           body.
                                                 </tfoot>
                                              The Death of Marat
                           Potentially, with
                                                    Jacques-Louis David
                           styling the browser
                                                    1793
                           can scroll this
                                                 information, while
                                                 keeping the header
                                                    Burial at Ornans
                           and footer fixed in
                                                    Gustave Courbet
                           place.
                                                    1849
```

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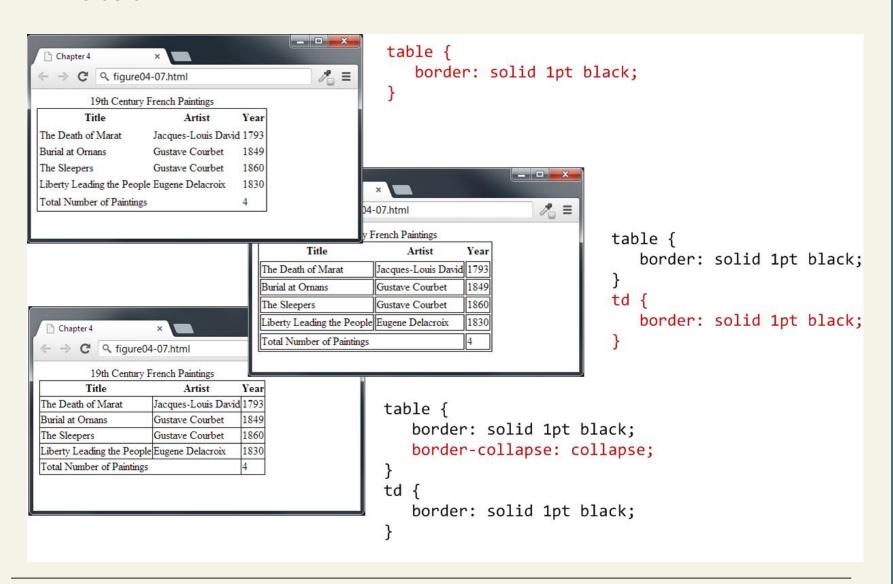
STYLING TABLES

The old way's deprecated

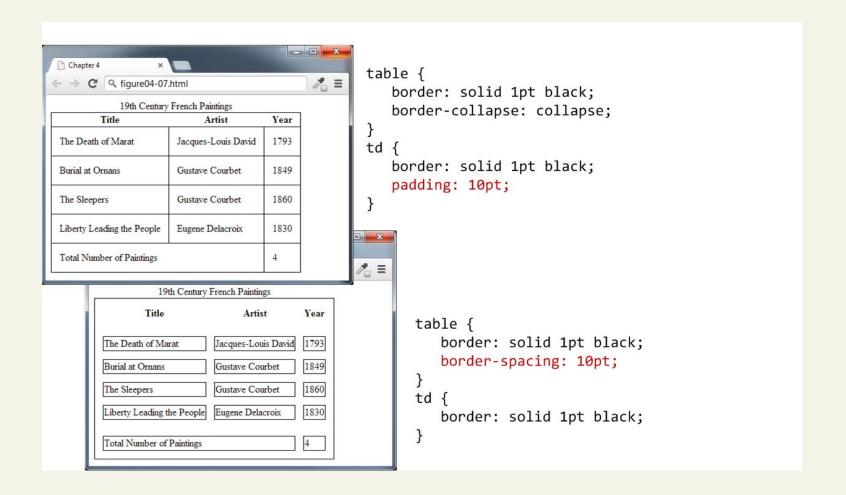
In HTML5 it is left to CSS, However legacy support for deprecated HTML attributes still exist

- width, height—for setting the width and height of cells
- cellspacing—for adding space between every cell in the table
- cellpadding—for adding space between the content of the cell and its border
- bgcolor—for changing the background color of any table element
- background—for adding a background image to any table element
- align—for indicating the alignment of a table in relation to the surrounding container

Borders



Padding and spacing



Examples



```
table {
   font-size: 0.8em;
   font-family: Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;
   border-collapse: collapse;
   border-top: 4px solid #DCA806;
   border-bottom: 1px solid white;
   text-align: left;
}
caption {
   font-weight: bold;
   padding: 0.25em 0 0.25em 0;
   text-align: left;
   text-transform: uppercase;
   border-top: 1px solid #DCA806;
}
```



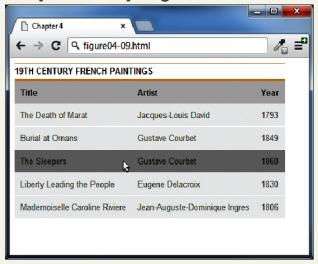
```
thead tr {
   background-color: #CACACA;
}
th {
   padding: 0.75em;
}
```

```
Chapter 4
← → C Q figure04-08.html
19TH CENTURY FRENCH PAINTINGS
                                                          Year
 The Death of Marat
                             Jacques-Louis David
                                                          1793
 Burial at Omans
                             Gustave Courbet
                                                          1849
 The Sleepers
                             Gustave Courbet
                                                          1860
 Liberty Leading the People
                             Eugene Delacroix
 Mademoiselle Caroline Riviere Jean-Auguste-Dominique Ingres 1806
```

```
tbody tr {
   background-color: #F1F1F1;
   border-bottom: 1px solid white;
   color: #6E6E6E;
}
tbody td {
   padding: 0.75em;
}
```

Nth-Child

Nifty Table styling tricks: hover effect and zebra-stripes



```
tbody tr:hover {
  background-color: #9e9e9e;
  color: black;
}
```



```
tbody tr:nth-child(odd) {
   background-color: white;
}
```

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INTRODUCING FORMS

HTML Forms

Richer way to interact with server

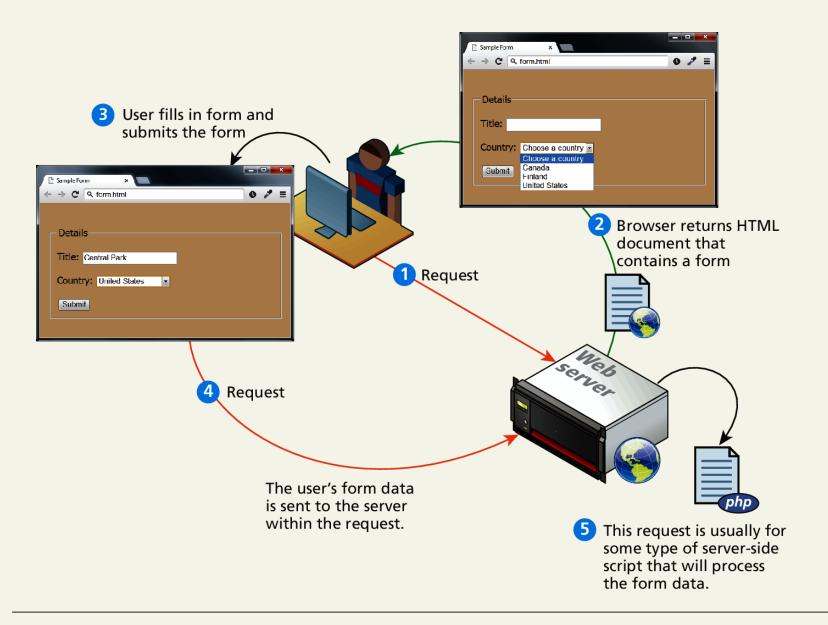
Forms provide the user with an alternative way to interact with a web server.

- Forms provide rich mechanisms like:
 - Text input
 - Password input
 - Options Lists
 - Radio and check boxes

Form Structure

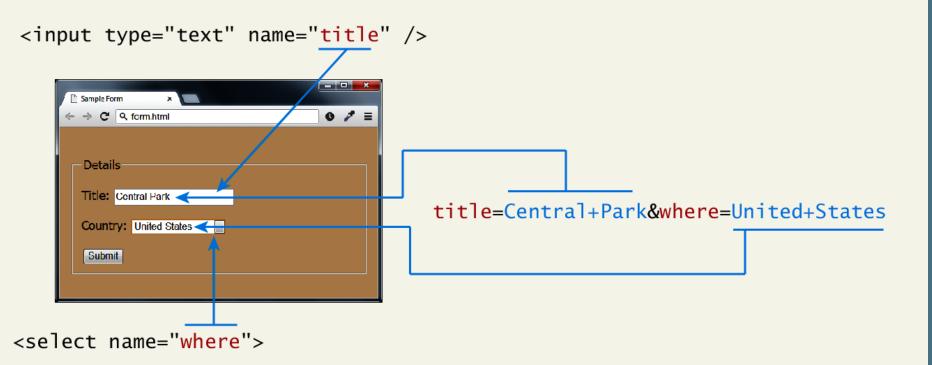
```
<form method="get" action="process.php">
                                     <fieldset>
                                        <le><legend>Details</legend></le>
                                         >
                                          <label>Title: </label>
 🖢 🔍 form.html
                                          <input type="text" name="title" />
                                        Details
                                        >
                                          <label>Country: </label>
                                          <select name="where">
Country: Choose a country
    Choose a country
                                            <option>Choose a country
    United States
                                            <option>Canada
                                            <option>Finland
                                            <option>United States
                                           </select>
                                        <input type="submit" />
                                      </fieldset>
                                   </form>
```

How forms interact with servers



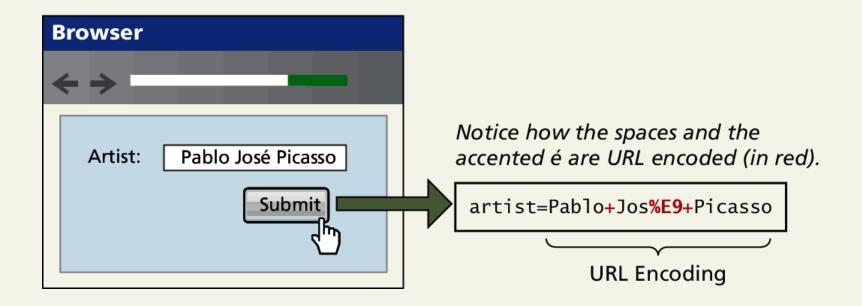
Query Strings

At the end of the day, another string



URL encoding

Special symbols

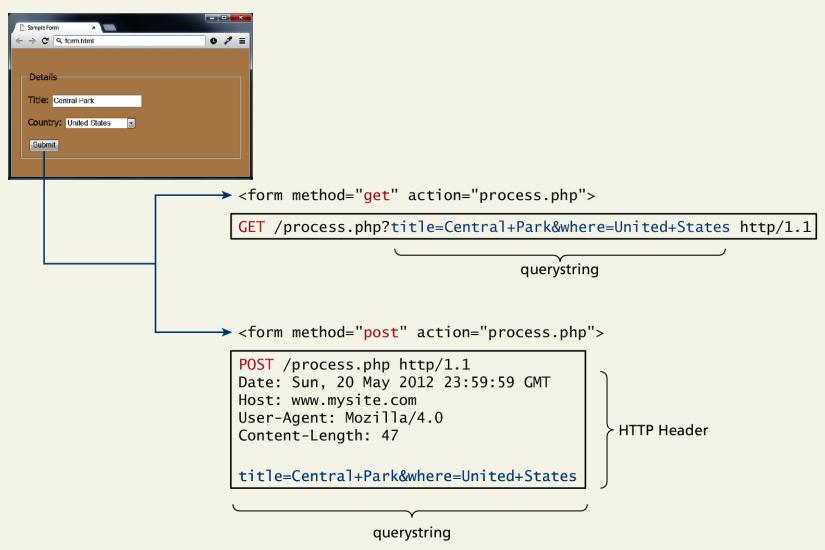


<form> element

Two essential features of any form, namely the **action** and the **method** attributes.

- The action attribute specifies the URL of the server-side resource that will process the form data
- The method attribute specifies how the query string data will be transmitted from the browser to the server.
 - GET
 - POST

GET vs POST



GET vs POST

Advantages and Disadvantages

- Data can be clearly seen in the address bar.
- Data remains in browser history and cache.
- Data can be bookmarked
- Limit on the number of characters in the form data returned.

POST

- Data can contain binary data.
- Data is hidden from user.
- Submitted data is not stored in cache, history, or bookmarks.

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FORMS CONTROL ELEMENTS

Form-Related HTML Elements

Туре	Description
<button></button>	Defines a clickable button.
<datalist></datalist>	An HTML5 element form defines lists to be used with other form elements.
<fieldset></fieldset>	Groups related elements in a form together.
<form></form>	Defines the form container.
<input/>	Defines an input field. HTML5 defines over 20 different types of input.
<label></label>	Defines a label for a form input element.
<legend></legend>	Defines the label for a fieldset group.
<option></option>	Defines an option in a multi-item list.
<optgroup></optgroup>	Defines a group of related options in a multi-item list.
<select></select>	Defines a multi-item list.
<textarea></th><th>Defines a multiline text entry box.</th></tr></tbody></table></textarea>	

Text Input Controls

Туре	Description
text	Creates a single line text entry box. <input name="title" type="text"/>
textarea	Creates a multiline text entry box. <textarea rows="3"></textarea>
password	Creates a single line text entry box for a password <input type="password"/>
search	Creates a single-line text entry box suitable for a search string. This is an HTML5 element. <input type="search"/>
email	Creates a single-line text entry box suitable for entering an email address. This is an HTML5 element. <input type="email"/>
tel	Creates a single-line text entry box suitable for entering a telephone. This is an HTML5 element. <input type="tel"/>
url	Creates a single-line text entry box suitable for entering a URL. This is an HTML5 element. <input type="url"/>

Text Input Controls

Classic

Text Input Controls

HTML5

```
<input type="search" placeholder="enter search text" ... />
 Search: enter search text
                             Search: HTML
                                                 ×
<input type="email" ... />
  Email: fdsdfs
                          In Opera
    Please enter a valid email address
                          In Chrome
  Email: sdasdas
       Please enter an email address.
<input type="url" ... />
  url: sdsdfdf
     Please enter a URL
<input type="tel" ... />
  Tel:
```

HTML5 advanced controls

Pattern attribute

datalist

Select Lists

Chose an option, any option.

- <select> element is used to create a multiline box for selecting one or more items
 - The options are defined using the <option> element
 - can be hidden in a dropdown or multiple rows of the list can be visible
 - Option items can be grouped together via the <optgroup> element.

Select Lists

Select List Examples

```
<select name="choices">
Select: Second -
                   <option>First
Select: Second -
                   <option selected>Second</option>
    First
    Second
                   <option>Third</option>
    Third
                 </select>
    First
                 <select size="3" ... >
    Second
    Third
Select: Fourth
                 <select ... >
                  <optgroup label="North America">
Cities: London
    North America
                    <option>Calgary
     Calgary
     Los Angeles
                    <option>Los Angeles
    Europe
     London
                  </optgroup>
     Paris
     Prague
                  <optgroup label="Europe">
                    <option>London
                    <option>Paris
                    <option>Prague</option>
                  </optgroup>
```

</select>

Which Value to send

Select Lists Cont.

The **value** attribute of the <option> element is used to specify what value will be sent back to the server.

The value attribute is optional; if it is not specified, ?choices=Second then the text within the container is sent instead <select name="choices"> <option>First <option>Second</option> <option>Third </select> Select: Second First Second Third <select name="choices"> <option value="1">First</option> <option value="2">Second</option> <option value="3">Third</option> </select> ?choices=2

Radio Buttons

Radio buttons are useful when you want the user to select a single item from a small list of choices and you want all the choices to be visible

- radio buttons are added via the <input type="radio">
 element
- The buttons are mutually exclusive (i.e., only one can be chosen) by sharing the same name attribute
- The checked attribute is used to indicate the default choice
- the value attribute works in the same manner as with the <option> element

Radio Buttons

Continent:

- North America
- South America
- Asia

```
<input type="radio" name="where" value="1">North America<br/><input type="radio" name="where" value="2" checked>South America<br/><input type="radio" name="where" value="3">Asia
```

Checkboxes

Checkboxes are used for getting yes/no or on/off responses from the user.

- checkboxes are added via the <input type="checkbox">
 Element
- You can also group checkboxes together by having them share the same name attribute
- Each checked checkbox will have its value sent to the server
- Like with radio buttons, the checked attribute can be used to set the default value of a checkbox

Checkboxes

?accept=on&visit=canada&visit=germany ◀

Button Controls

Туре	Description
<input type="submit"/>	Creates a button that submits the form data to the server.
<input type="reset"/>	Creates a button that clears any of the user's already entered form data.
<input type="button"/>	Creates a custom button. This button may require Javascript for it to actually perform any action.
<input type="image"/>	Creates a custom submit button that uses an image for its display.
 	Creates a custom button. The <button> element differs from <input type="button"/> in that you can completely customize what appears in the button; using it, you can, for instance, include both images and text, or skip server-side processing entirely by using hyperlinks. You can turn the button into a submit button by using the type="submit" attribute.</button>

Button Controls

```
<input type="submit" />
                     Reset
          Submit
        <input type="reset" />
<input type="button" value="Click Me" />
        <input type="image" src="appointment.png" />
                                       <button>
                                          <a href="email.html">
                                             <img src="images/email.png" alt=""/>
                                             Email
                                       </button>
                     <button type="submit" >
                        <img src="images/edit.png" alt=""/>
                        Edit
                     </button>
```

Specialized Controls

I'm so special

- <input type=hidden>
- <input type=file>

Number and Range

Typically input values need be **validated**. Although server side validation is required, optional client side pre-validation is good practice.

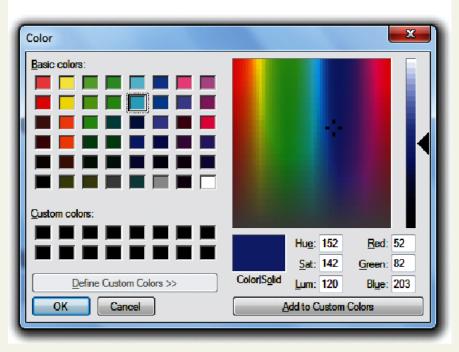
The number and range controls Added in HTML5 provide a way to input numeric values that eliminates the need for JavaScript numeric validation!!!

Number and Range

Color

Background Color:





<label>Background Color:
<input type="color" name="back" />

Background Color:

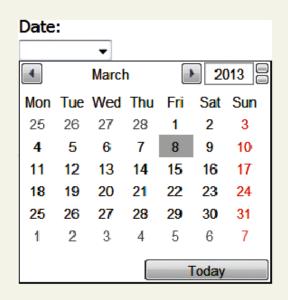
 Control as it appears in browser that doesn't support this input type

Date and Time Controls

Dates and times often need validation when gathering this information from a regular text input control.

From a user's perspective, entering dates can be tricky as well: you probably have wondered at some point in time when entering a date into a web form, what format to enter it in, whether the day comes before the month, whether the month should be entered as an abbreviation or a number, and so on.

HTML5 Date and Time Controls



```
<label>Date: <br/><input type="date" ... />
```

```
Time:
02:02 AM ⊕
```

DateTime:
2013-03-08 ▼ 05:46 등 UTC

```
<input type="time" ... />
<input type="datetime" ... />
<input type="datetime-local" ... />
```

HTML5 Date and Time Controls



<input type="month" ... />



<input type="week" ... />

HTML Controls

Туре	Description
date	Creates a general date input control. The format for the date is "yyyy-mm-dd".
time	Creates a time input control. The format for the time is "HH:MM:SS", for hours:minutes:seconds.
datetime	Creates a control in which the user can enter a date and time.
datetime-local	Creates a control in which the user can enter a date and time without specifying a time zone.
month	Creates a control in which the user can enter a month in a year. The format is "yyyy-mm".
week	Creates a control in which the user can specify a week in a year. The format is "yyyy-W##".

Other Controls

You mean there's more

- The progress> and <meter> elements can be used
 to provide feedback to users,
 - but requires JavaScript to function dynamically.
- The <output> element can be used to hold the output from a calculation.
- The <keygen> element can be used to hold a private key for public-key encryption

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TABLE AND FORM ACCESSIBILITY

Web Accessibility

Not all web users are able to view the content on web pages in the same manner.

The term **web accessibility** refers to the assistive technologies, various features of HTML that work with those technologies, and different coding and design practices that can make a site more usable for people with visual, mobility, auditory, and cognitive disabilities.

In order to improve the accessibility of websites, the W3C created the **Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI)**

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines

- Provide text alternatives for any nontext content so that it can be changed into other forms people need, such as large print, braille, speech, symbols, or simpler language.
- Create content that can be presented in different ways (for example simpler layout) without losing information or structure.
- Make all functionality available from a keyboard.
- Provide ways to help users navigate, find content, and determine where they are.

Accessible Tables

- Describe the table's content using the <caption>
 element
- 2. Connect the cells with a textual description in the header

Accessible Forms

Recall the <fieldset>, <legend>, and <label> elements.

Each < label > element should be associated with a single input element.

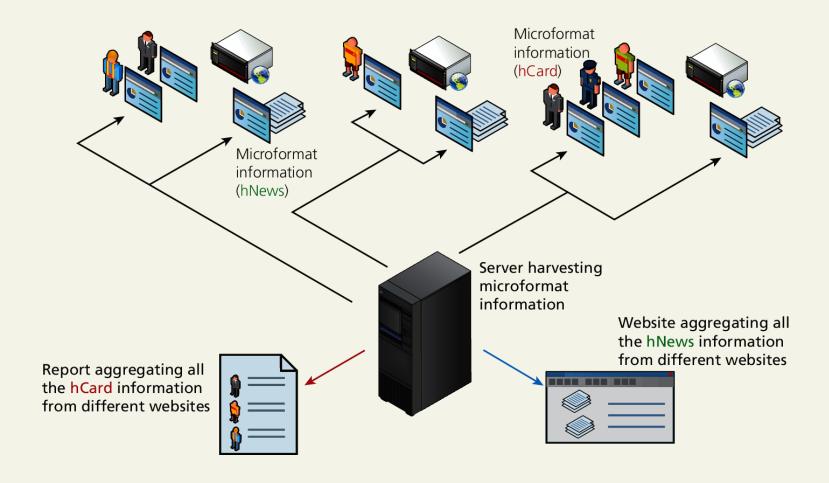
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MICROFORMATS

Microformats

A **microformat** is a small pattern of HTML markup and attributes to represent common blocks of information such as people, events, and news stories so that the information in them can be extracted and indexed by software agents

Microformat



What you've learned

- Introducing Tables
- **Styling Tables**

Introducing Forms

Form Control Elements

Table and Form Accessibility

Microformats