

Web Development Using HTML

Internet Programming I: Chapter 2



ADDIS ABABA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY
Department of Software Engineering

The core Web development technologies



- HTML, CSS and JavaScript are the basic building block and core web development technologies.



Structure

- Create the structure of the website



Presentation

- Stylize the layout of the website



Behavior

- Add interactivity to the website



What is the Difference



source: <https://admin.brytdesigns.com/>



HTML
Hypertext Markup Language

Create the structure

- Controls the layout of the content
- Provides structure for the web page design
- The fundamental building block of any web page



CSS
Cascading Style Sheet

Stylize the website

- Applies style to the web page elements
- Targets various screen sizes to make web pages responsive
- Primarily handles the "look and feel" of a web page



Javascript

Increase interactivity

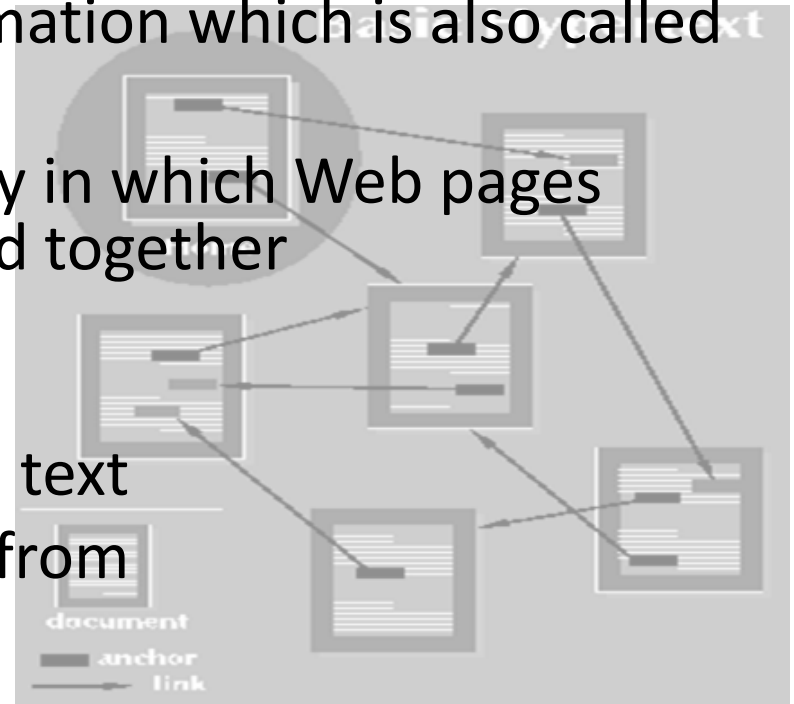
- Adds interactivity to a web page
- Handles complex functions and features
- Programmatic code which enhances functionality

Hypertext

- HTML Stands for Hypertext Markup Language
- Hypertext basically refers to Non-sequentially linked pieces of text or other information which is also called “Nodes”
- More specifically it is the way in which Web pages (HTML documents) are linked together

Goal

Allow to access and read text and other information from multiple perspectives



Markup Language



- Markup originally refers to the handwritten indicators on an author's manuscripts.
- The idea of markup Notify a typesetter the layout of a document and the typeface to use
- A markup language is a set of characters or symbols that define a document's logical structure.
- In other words, it refers to the use of set of characters within a piece of information that can be used to process or identify that information in a particular way
- It composed of set of symbols called markup tags.

HTML (Hypertext Markup Language)



- It is a markup language which based on Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML)
- SGML is a standard for specifying a markup language or tag set
- SGML Itself is not a document language, but a description of how to specify one and create a document type definition (DTD)
- It define the structure of information on the Web page
- It doesn't describe the actual presentation of a document
- It tells the web browser what content to display.
- Use a pre-defined set of tags to identify the webpage content types .
- It is not a programming language.

HTML

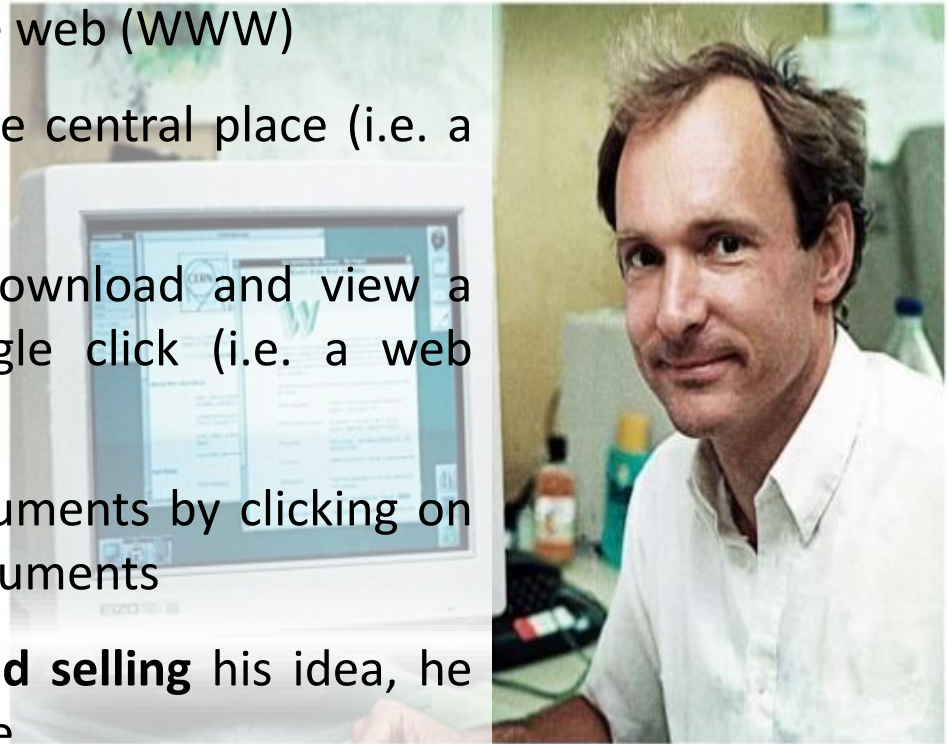


- HTML is a language made up of elements, which can be applied to pieces of text to give them different meaning in a document
 - Is it a paragraph?
 - Is it a bulleted list?
 - Is it part of a table?
- Structure a document into logical sections
 - Does it have a header?
 - Three columns of content?
 - A navigation menu?
- Embed content such as images and videos into a page

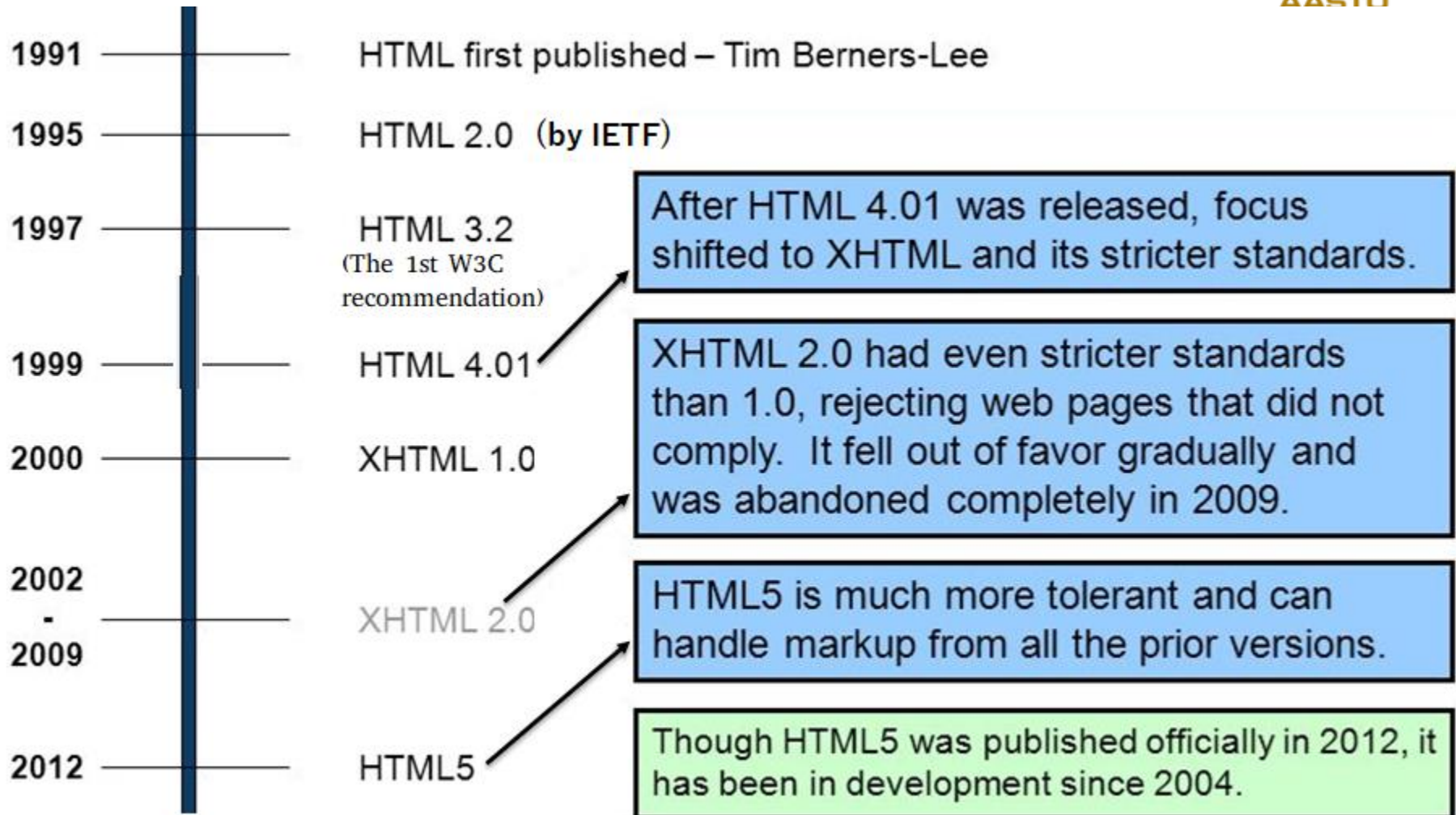
The evolution of HTML



- Before 1990 there was no easy way to find, download and view documents over the internet
- HTML, initially invented by in 1991 by Tim Berners Lee
- **Tim** invented a system – the web (WWW)
 - Store documents in one central place (i.e. a web server)
 - Make it possible to download and view a document with a single click (i.e. a web browser)
 - Allow to find new documents by clicking on “links” inside other documents
 - Instead of **licensing and selling** his idea, he made free for every one



The evolution of HTML cont'd

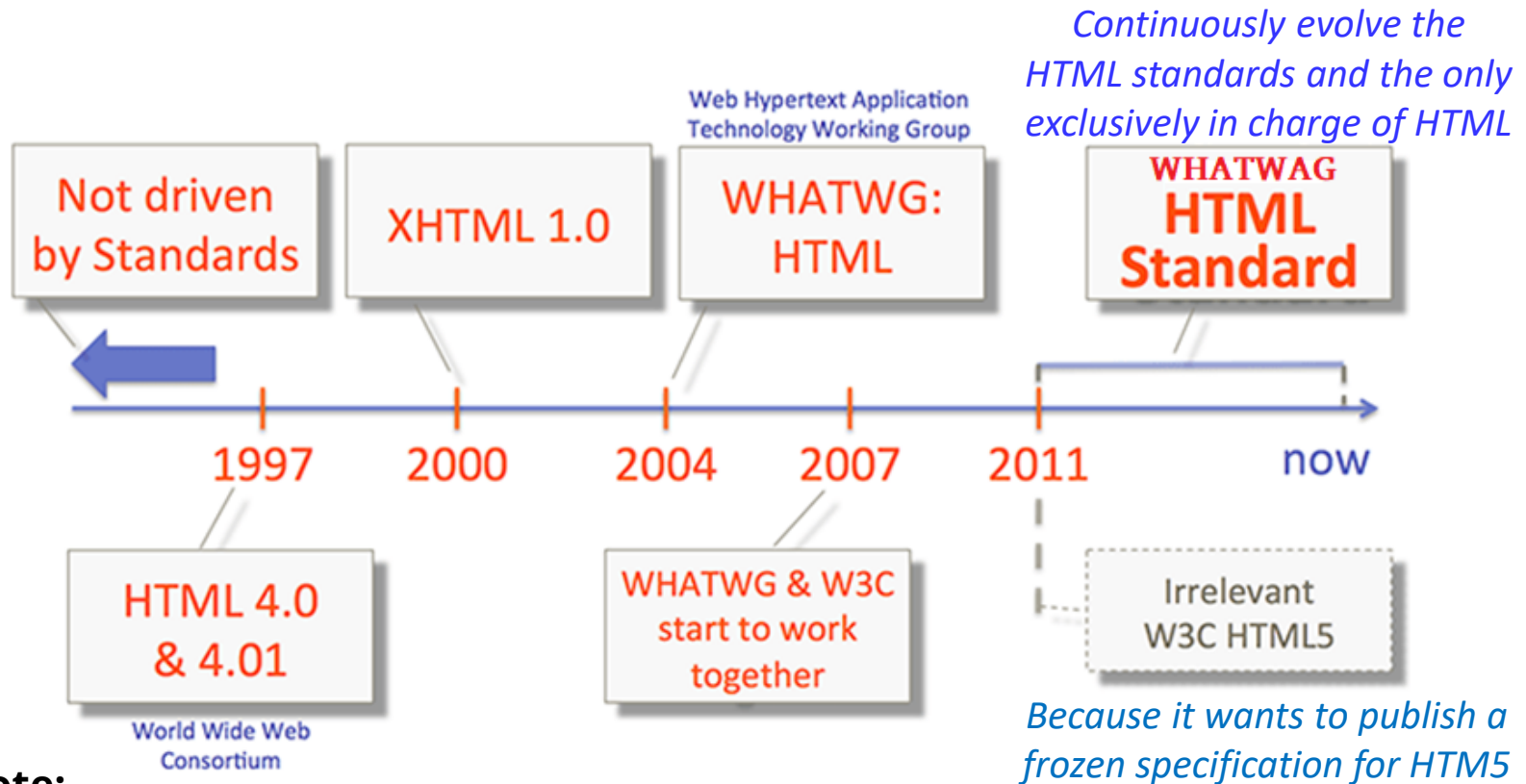


HTML Standardization history



- Before 1997, there were no HTML standards, so browsers basically did whatever they wanted
- Particularly 1993 – 1997 (The “War” Years), HTML was being defined by the elements that browser software developers chose to implement
- They invented new tags or implemented the same tags differently which was kind of the wild west of the web
- Around 1997, the W3C came up with the first standard that browsers started to pay attention to
- The W3C defined HTML version 4 (or HTML4) which it shortly thereafter updated to HTML4.01

HTML Standardization history cont'd



Note:

- **W3C** is the main international standards organization for the Web
- **WHATWG** – established in 2004 by the browser vendors

HTML5



- Current version of standard HTML which was defined in 2012 by WHATWAG
- It is cross-platform. It will display content on a desktop computer, laptop, a tablet, smartphone, a notebook or a Smart TV
- All major browsers support most of the HTML5 elements
- Key features
- Multimedia elements
- Graphics elements
- Offline support
- Semantics markups

Basic Structure of HTML Document



`<!DOCTYPE>`

- *Tell the browser the type of HTML standard*
- *Must appear first*

`<html>`

`<head>`

`</head>`

`<body>`

`</body>`

`</html>`

- *Contain html document meta info, links, style sheet and scripts etc.*
- *These are non web displayable info*

- *Contains the content that displays in the browser*

Basic HTML Page Example

```
<html>
```

```
<head>
```

```
<title>Hello World </title>
```

```
</head>
```

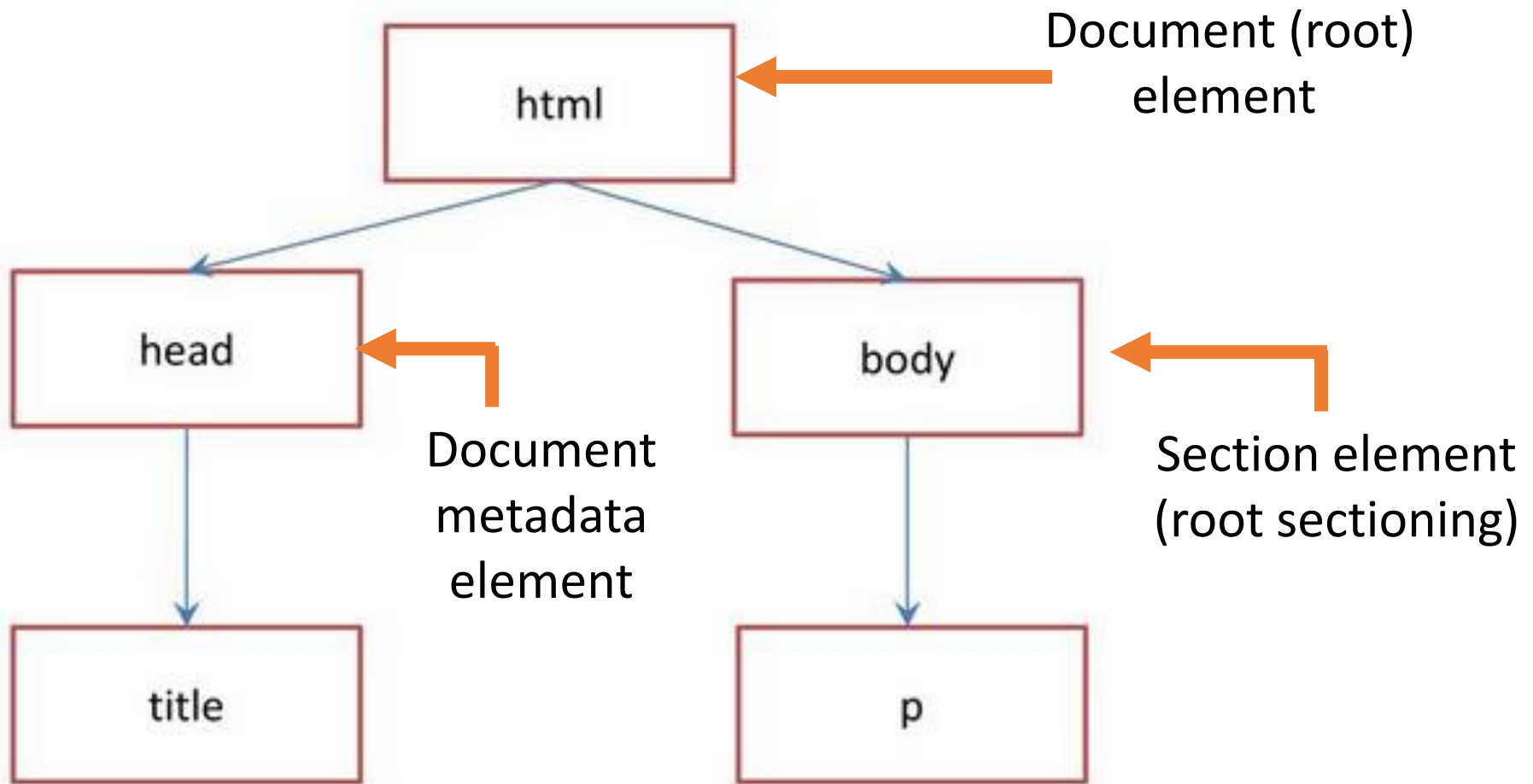
```
<body>
```

```
<p>Welcome to the World </p>
```

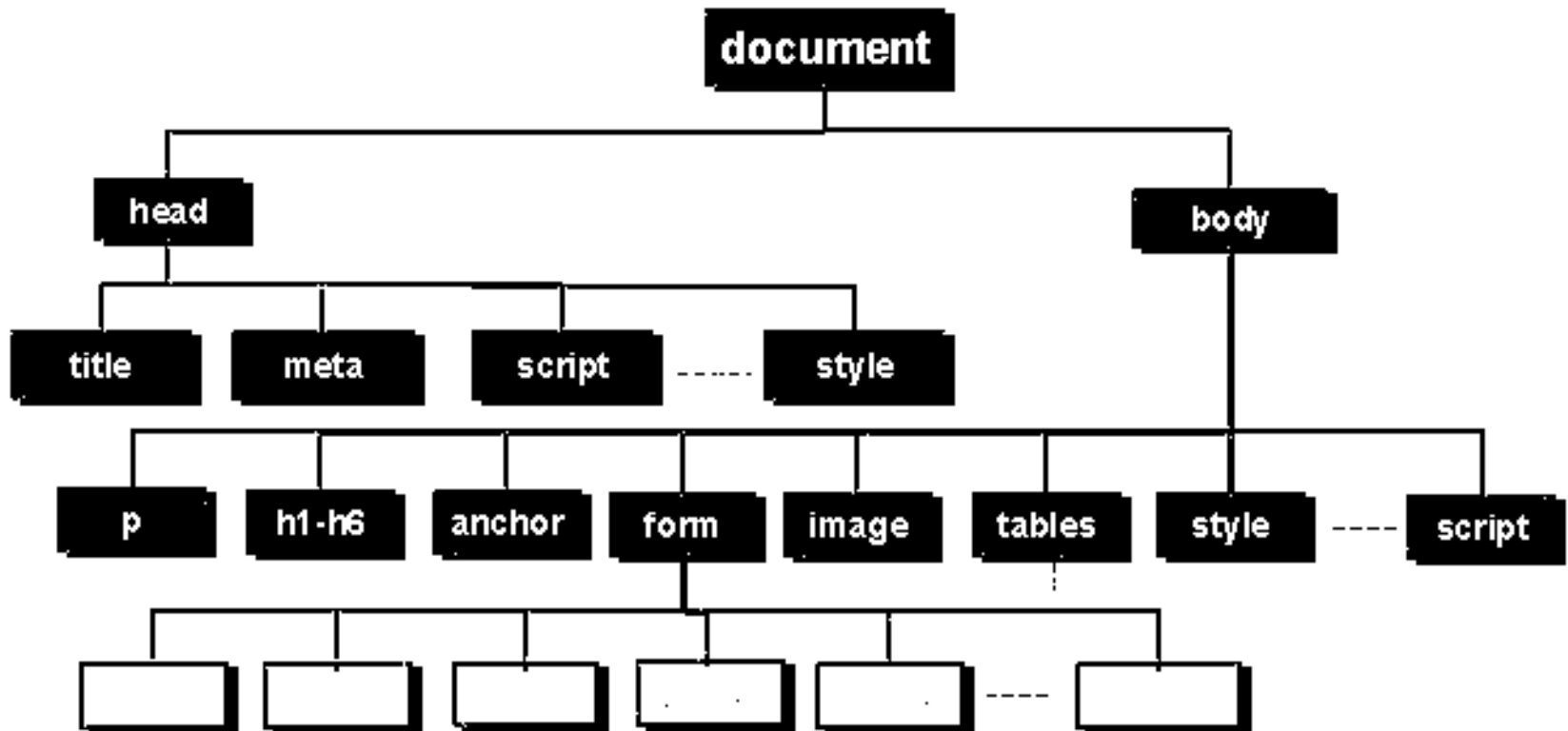
```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

Tree structure of HTML Document



Tree structure of HTML Document cont'd



Tree structure of HTML Document



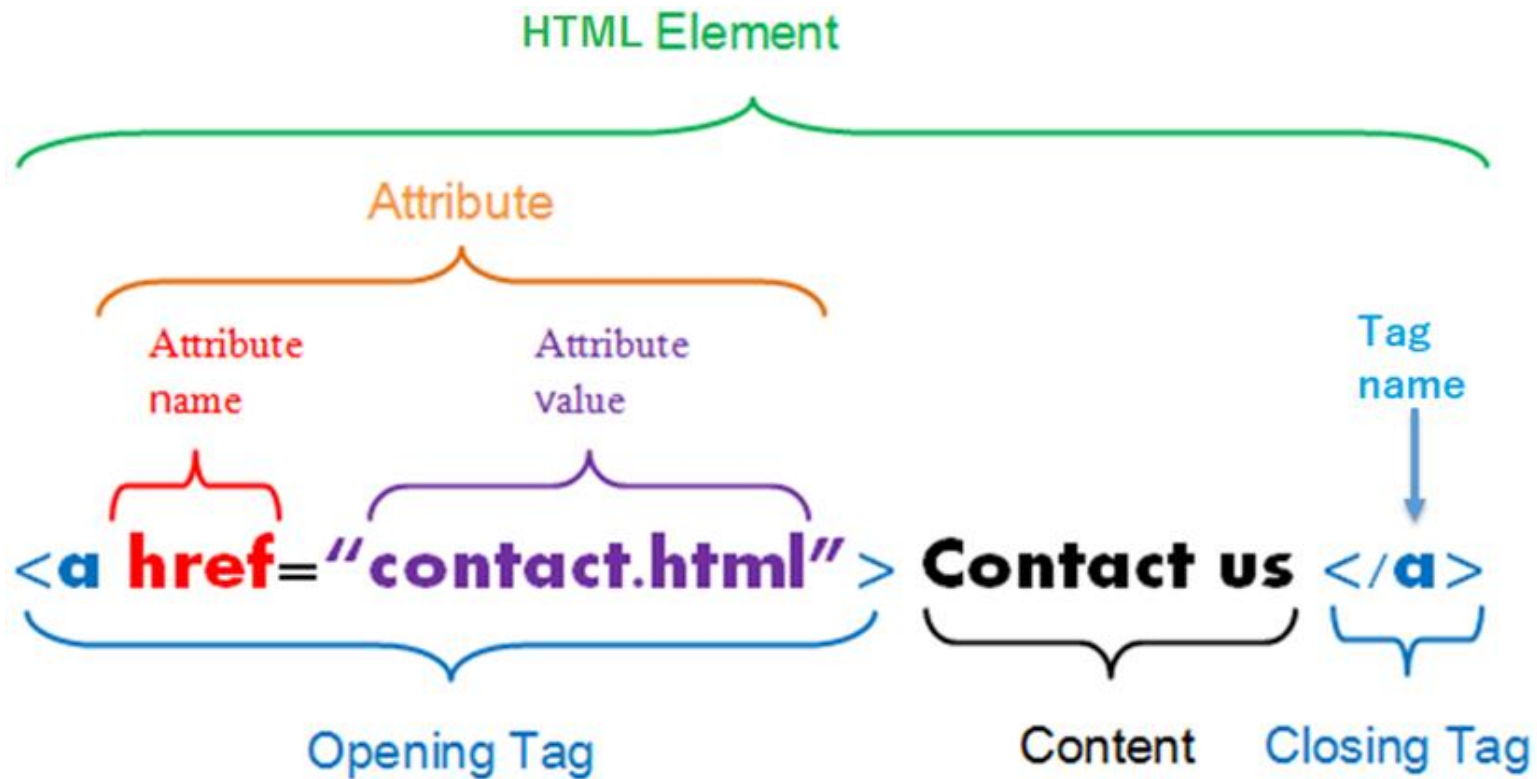
Inside the body section

- Text formatting
- Links
- Table
- Form
- Images and multimedia
- Embedded elements
- Interactive elements
- Graphics etc.

Inside the head section

- Title
- Style
- Script /no script
- Meta
- Link
- base

Anatomy of HTML Elements/Tags



- **Syntax:**

`<tag attribute = "Value"> Content </tag>`

Anatomy of HTML Elements/Tags cont'd



HTML elements

- Represent some kind of structure
- It is a combination of a tag and its character data (content)
- HTML can be Empty element or Nested element also

Nested Element

- An element that contain other HTML elements

Empty Element

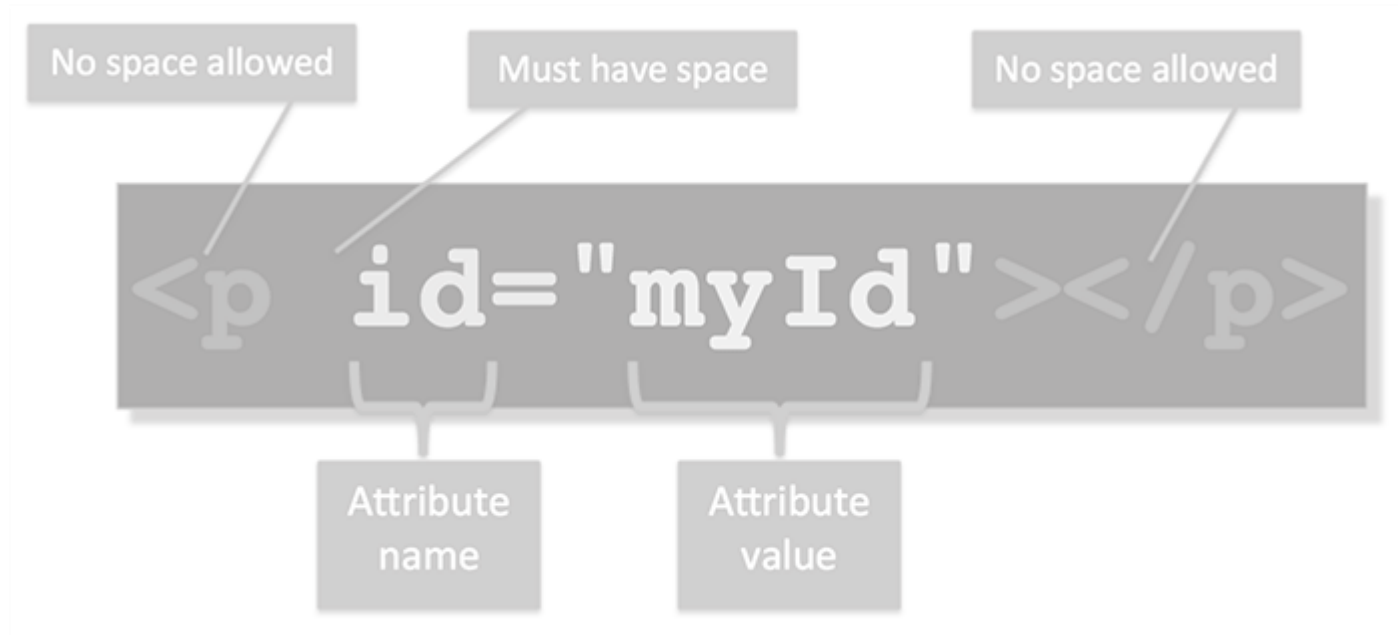
- An element with no character data (content)
- Also called Non-container tags or self closing tags
- Syntax: `<self-closing-tag-name/>`

Anatomy of HTML Elements/Tags cont'd



- HTML Tags
 - Used to markup the text (content)
 - Most of the tags come in as start and end tag pairs
 - However, empty element tags doesn't come in pairs
 - The start tag may contain an attribute
- HTML attributes
 - Defines a property for an elements
 - It is a way to describe the tags
 - It must enclosed within the start tag
 - It comes in a name/value pairs
 - The value should enclosed within double quote
 - An element can have one or more attributes
 - Global attributes - common to all HTML elements

Simple Rule



Also:

- Don't forget the End tag.
- Even though HTML is case insensitive use lowercase Tags

HTML elements reference



- The HTML elements are grouped by function to help you find what you have in mind easily
- For details of each element under the below mentioned group just **ctrl +click** on the element category

- [Document metadata](#)
- [Sectioning root](#)
- [Content sectioning](#)
- [Text content](#)
- [Inline text semantics](#)
- [Image and multimedia](#)
- [Embedded content](#)
- [SVG and MathML](#)
- [Scripting](#)
- [Demarcating edits](#)
- [Table content](#)
- [Forms](#)
- [Interactive elements](#)
- [deprecated elements](#)

Content Model in HTML



- Content Model refers to the **set of rules** that define what type of content each element is allowed to have.
- Mostly, this translates into what other elements are allowed to be nested inside which other elements.
- Prior to the modern HTML specification, HTML elements were either **block-level or inline elements**
- Modern HTML specification split these two content models into seven basic models
- However, in practical terms, you can still think of those seven models as falling into the same traditional categories: block-level and inline elements

Content Model in HTML cont'd



Block-level Elements

- By default, Block-level elements render (displayed) to begin on a new line (i.e. the browser will automatically place the contents of that element on a new line in the flow of the document)

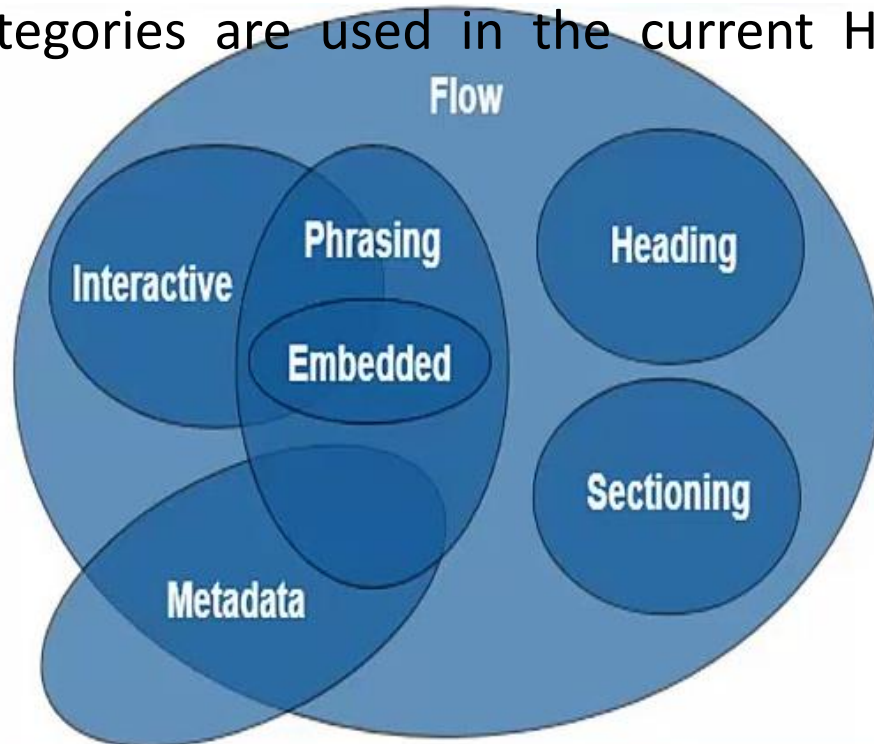
Inline Elements

- Render on the same line by default
- Having new line characters in the content or between the tags in your code won't make any difference
- All those space characters get translated into a single space anyway and the whole bunch of inline elements still be displayed on the same line
- Inline elements are restricted to only contain other inline elements

Modern HTML Content Models

- Each elements in HTML5 falls into zero or more categories that group elements with similar characteristics
- The following broad categories are used in the current HTML specification:

- Metadata content
- Flow content
- Sectioning content
- Heading content
- Phrasing content
- Embedded content
- Interactive content



Document structure elements



This meta element defines a description of your page:

```
<META name="description" content="Free Web tutorials on HTML, CSS, XML, and XHTML" />
```

This meta element defines keywords for your page: (for search engine)

```
<META name="keywords" content="HTML, DHTML, CSS, XML, XHTML, JavaScript" />
```

This demonstrates how to redirect a user if your site address has changed:

```
<META http-equiv="Refresh" content="5;url=http://www.w3schools.com" />
```

This meta element defines character set:

```
<META http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8" />
```

Text Markup Elements



- Heading elements
 - In the same way that a book has the main title, chapter titles, and subtitles, an HTML document can too.

`<h1>How to Make a Cake</h1>` ← ----- Main heading

`<h2>Ingredients</h2>` ← ----- Sub heading

`<h3>Ingredients for Sponge</h3>` } Sub sub heading

`<h3>Ingredients for Toppings</h3>` }

`<h2>Instructions</h2>`

`<h3>Preparation</h3>`

`<h3>Process</h3>`

`<h2>Serving the Cake</h2>`

Text Markup Elements cont'd



- Heading elements allow you to specify that certain parts of your content are headings
- HTML contains 6 section heading levels, <h1> to <h6>
- The heading element importance level
 - <h1> define the most important (highest) heading level
 - <h6> define the lowest (less important) headings
- Commonly 3 to 4 heading elements are used at most
- The heading Tags are block level elements.
- It's content model categories are flow content and heading content
- These elements only include the global attributes

Heading 1

Heading 2

Heading 3

Heading 4

Heading 5

Heading 6

Text Markup Elements cont'd



- Heading information
 - Allow search engines to index the structure and content of your web pages
 - Users often skim a page by its headings and determine the content layout of web page automatically.
 - Also it is a common navigation technique for users of screen reading software to jump from heading to heading and quickly determine the content of the page.
- As a result,
 - Avoid skipping heading levels: always start from <h1>, followed by <h2> and so on
 - Use only one <h1> per page or view (considered a best practice)
 - <h1> should concisely describe the overall purpose of the content.
 - It is important to use headings to show the document structure.
 - Avoid using heading elements to resize text (i.e. to make text BIG or bold).

Text Markup Elements cont'd



Paragraph elements

- HTML paragraphs any structural grouping of related content, such as texts, images or form fields
- The <p> HTML element represents a paragraph
- It belongs flow content category
- Paragraphs are block-level elements and
 - Always starts on a new line
 - Browsers automatically add white space (margin) before and after a paragraph
- This element only includes the global attributes
- Breaking up content into paragraphs helps make a page more accessible
- Allow screen-readers to provide shortcuts that let their users skip to the next or previous paragraph, and skim the content

Text Markup Elements cont'd



- **HTML <p> content display**

- Large or small screens, and resized windows will create different results.
- With HTML, you cannot change the display by adding extra spaces or extra lines in HTML code.
- The browser will automatically remove any extra spaces and lines.

- **Note:**

- Don't use empty <p> which is problematic for people who use screen-reading technology.

```
<p>
This paragraph contains a lot of
in the source code, but the browser
ignores it.
</p>

<p>
This paragraph
contains      a lot of spaces
in the source   code,
but the   browser
ignores it.
</p>
```

Output of the example

This paragraph contains a lot of lines in the source code, but the browser ignores it.

This paragraph contains a lot of spaces in the source code, but the browser ignores it.

Text Markup Elements cont'd



<pre> elements

- Represents preformatted text which is to be presented exactly as written in the HTML file
 - The text is typically rendered using a non-proportional, or "monospaced", font
 - Unlike <p> element, it preserves whitespace both spaces and line breaks:
- Provide an alternate description for any images or diagrams
- It is a block-level element which belongs to flow content category

<pre>

< I'm an expert in my field. >

\ ^ ^
 \ (oo) \ _____
 (_) \) \ \
 || ---w ||
 || ||

</pre>

Output

< I'm an expert in my field. >

\ ^ ^
 \ (oo) \ _____
 (_) \) \ \
 || ---w ||
 || ||

Text Markup Elements cont'd



Line break elements (<hr> and
)

<hr/>

- Represents a thematic break between paragraph-level elements:
- E.g., a change of scene in a story, or a shift of topic within a section.
- Displayed as a horizontal rule in visual browsers

- Produces a line break in text (carriage-return)
- It is useful for writing a poem or an address, where the division of lines is significant
- Only enter line breaks, not to add space between paragraphs

- Both <hr> and
 support both global attributes and event attributes
- Both are block-level elements,
- <hr> is flow content whereas
 is phrasing content

Text Markup Elements cont'd



```
<p> §1: The first rule of Fight Club is: You  
do not talk about Fight Club. </p>
```

```
<hr/>
```

```
<p> §2: The second rule of Fight Club is:  
Always bring cupcakes. </p>
```

```
<h3>A Poem</h3>
```

```
<p> O'er all the hilltops<br>  
Is quiet now,<br>  
In all the treetops<br>  
Hearest thou<br>  
Hardly a breath;<br>  
The birds are asleep in the trees:<br>  
Wait, soon like these<br>  
Thou too shalt rest.  
</p>
```

§1: The first rule of Fight Club is: You do
not talk about Fight Club.

Output

§2: The second rule of Fight Club is:
Always bring cupcakes.

A Poem

Output

O'er all the hilltops
Is quiet now,
In all the treetops
Hearest thou
Hardly a breath;
The birds are asleep in the trees:
Wait, soon like these
Thou too shalt rest.

Text Markup Elements cont'd



List elements

- HTML offers web developers mechanisms to group a set of related items in lists
- HTML lists are used to present list of information in well-formed and semantic way
- There are three main types of list in HTML, each one has a specific purpose

➤ *Used to create a list of related items, in no particular order*

Unordered List

- The first item
- The second item
- The third item
- The fourth item

➤ *Used to create a list of terms and their descriptions.*

Ordered List

1. The first item
2. The second item
3. The third item
4. The fourth item

➤ *Used to create a list of related items, in a specific order.*

Description List

The first item
Description of item
The second item
Description of item

Text Markup Elements cont'd



No	List element	Attribute(s)	Attribute value(s)
1		type	Circle / disc / square / triangle
2		reversed	Boolean
		type	1 (default), A / a / I / i
		start	integer - indicates the current ordinal value of list item
3		value	Integer - start counting from for the list items.
		type	1 (default) A / a / I / i
4	<dd>	nowrap	Yes/no (default), If the value is set to yes, the definition text will not wrap

Text Markup Elements cont'd



Example: Ordered list

```
<h2>Hot Drink</h2>
<ol>
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
  <li>macchiato</li>
</ol>
```

```
<h2>Hot Drink</h2>
<ol type="a" start = "4">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
  <li>macchiato</li>
</ol>
```

```
<h2>Hot Drink</h2>
<ol type="a" reversed = "1">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
  <li>macchiato</li>
</ol>
```

Hot Drink

1. Coffee
2. Tea
3. Milk
4. macchiato

Hot Drink

- d. Coffee
- e. Tea
- f. Milk
- g. macchiato

Hot Drink

- d. Coffee
- c. Tea
- b. Milk
- a. macchiato

Text Markup Elements cont'd

Example: Unordered list

```
<ul>
  <li>Fruit
    <ul>
      <li>Bananas</li>
      <li>Apples
        <ul>
          <li>Green</li>
          <li>Red</li>
        </ul>
      <li>Pears</li>
    </ul>
  <li>Vegetables</li>
  <li>Meat</li>
</ul>
```

- Fruit
 - Bananas
 - Apples
 - Green
 - Red
 - Pears
- Vegetables
- Meat

Nested list

```
<ol>
  <li>Fruit
    <ul type = "disc">
      <li>Bananas</li>
      <li>Apples
        <ul type = "circle">
          <li>Green</li>
          <li>Red</li>
        </ul>
      <li>Pears</li>
    </ul>
  <li>Vegetables</li>
  <li>Meat</li>
</ol>
```

1. Fruit
 - Bananas
 - Apples
 - Green
 - Red
 - Pears
2. Vegetables
3. Meat

Text Markup Elements cont'd

Example: Description list

```
<h2>Acronym List</h2>

<dl>
  <dt>HTML</dt>
  <dd>- Hypertext Markup Language</dd>
  <dt>CSS</dt>
  <dd>- Cascading Style Sheet</dd>
  <dt>PHP</dt>
  <dd>- Hypertext Preprocessor</dd>
</dl>
```

Acronym List

HTML

- Hypertext Markup Language

CSS

- Cascading Style Sheet

PHP

- Hypertext Preprocessor

Text Markup Elements cont'd



Text formatting elements

- HTML provides several tags that you can use to make some text on your web pages to appear differently than normal text
- Formatting elements were designed to display special types of text:

Tag	Description
<u></u>	Defines bold text
<u><big></u>	Defines big text
<u></u>	Defines emphasized text
<u><i></u>	Defines italic text
<u><small></u>	Defines small text
<u></u>	Defines strong text

Tag	Description
<u><sub></u>	Defines subscripted text
<u><sup></u>	Defines superscripted text
<u><s></u>	Renders text with a strikethrough but not important when indicating document edits
<u><u></u>	Deprecated. But in use for different purpose

Text Markup Elements cont'd



Demarcating and Quotation Elements

Tag	Description
<code><ins></code>	Defines inserted text
<code></code>	Defines deleted text
<code><mark></code>	Marked text
<code><samp></code>	sample output of a computer program
<code><code></code>	To show the computer code - Like a programming code
<code><kbd></code>	keyboard input text
<code><var></code>	To display the text as a variable - Like Programming variable

Text Markup Elements cont'd



Example

`<i>Italic</i>`

Italic

`Bold`

Bold

`Emphasized`

Emphasized

`Strong` **Strong**

`<small>small</small>`

small

`Deleted`

~~Deleted~~

`<ins>Inserted</ins>`

Inserted

`v_f`

v_f

`a²`

a^2

`<mark>Marked</mark>`

Marked

w

Text Markup Elements cont'd



HTML Citations and Definition Elements

Tag	Description
<u><abbr></u>	Defines an abbreviation
<u><acronym></u>	Defines an acronym
<u><address></u>	Defines contact information for the author/owner of a document
<u><bdo></u>	Defines the text direction
<u><blockquote></u>	Defines a long quotation
<u><q></u>	Defines a short quotation
<u><cite></u>	Defines a citation
<u><dfn></u>	Defines a definition term

HTML Entity and Comment



- A piece of text ("string") that begins with an ampersand (&) and ends with a semicolon (;)
- Frequently used to display
- Reserved characters (which would otherwise be interpreted as HTML code)
- Invisible characters (like non-breaking spaces).
- Characters that are difficult to type with a standard keyboard.
- Syntax:
 - &entity_name; OR &#entity_number;
- An entity name is easy to remember but browsers may not support all entity names. Therefore, the support for entity numbers is good.

HTML Entity and Comment cont'd



- HTML reserved character Entities

Character	Description	Entity Name	Entity Number
	non-breaking space	 	
<	less than	<	<
>	greater than	>	>
&	ampersand	&	&
"	double quotation mark	"	"
'	single quotation mark (apostrophe)	'	'
«	Left-pointing double angle quotation mark	«	«
»	Right-pointing double angle quotation mark	»	»

HTML Entity and Comment cont'd



- HTML reserved character Entities

Character	Entity Name	Entity Number	Description
¢	¢	¢	Cent
£	£	£	Pound
¤	¤	¤	General currency
€	€	€	Euro
¢	¢	¢	Cent
©	©	©	Copyright
®	®	®	Registered
™	™	™	Trademark

HTML Comment



- The syntax to add comments to your HTML source is as follow

`<!-- Write your comments
goes here -->`

- Notice that there is an exclamation point (!) in the start tag, but not in the end tag.
- Used to hide content - comments are not displayed by the browser, but they can help document your HTML source code.
- With comments you can place notifications and reminders in your HTML code and improve code readability.

HTML Comment cont'd



- Example: Comment

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<p>This is a paragraph.</p>
<!--
<p>Look at this cool image:</p>

-->
<p>This is a paragraph too.</p>

</body>
</html>
```

This is a paragraph.

This is a paragraph too.