Exercise 7-2 Enhance the Future Value Application

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1. The select element defines a drop-down list, the syntax looks like this:

<select id =” cars “name=” cars”>

1. Here is an example PHP code for a drop-down list:

<label for = “animals”>Choose an animal:</label>

<select name = “animals” id= “animals”>

<option value = “monkey”>Monkey</option>

<option value = “turtle”>Turtle</option>

<option value = “dog”>Dog</option>

<option value = “elephant”>Elephant</option>

</select>

1. The name attribute is needed to reference the form data after the form is submitted, if you omit the name attribute, no data from the drop-down list will be submitted. The id attribute is needed to associate the drop-down list with a label. The option tags inside the select element define the available options in the drop-down list. It is best practice to always add the label tag for the best accessibility.
2. You can put a loop inside of an if statement using a technique called nested control flow. This is the process of putting a control statement inside of another control statement to execute an action.

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