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- Welcome to ITMD-461
 - Internet Technologies and Web Design
- Tonight's Agenda
 - Syllabus Review
 - A Bit of History
 - Software Development vs Web Development
 - How the Web Works
 - HTTP Request Response



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- Syllabus Review
- Blackboard Review

A Brief History of the Web

- 1963 – Ted Nelson coined term hypertext. Text linked content
- 1969 – ARPANET
 - First Real Packet Switched Network
 - Under Contract from ARPA by BBN of Cambridge, MA and under Bob Kahn
 - Connected mostly a handful of Universities
 - First link UCLA and Stanford
- 1972 – Email adapted for ARPANET
 - Ray Tomlinson of BBN, choose @ to separate name and host
- 1973-74 – TCP
 - Bob Kahn at DARPA and Vint Cerf at Stanford develop TCP
 - 1978 TCP finalized into TCP/IP



A Brief History of the Web

- 1980 - Tim Berners-Lee at CERN creates ENQUIRE
 - personal database of people and software models
 - simple Hypertext program
- 1983 – ARPANET switches over to TCP/IP from NCP
- 1984 – DNS system
 - made addresses on the Internet more human-friendly
- 1987 – About 30,000 hosts on Internet



A Brief History of the Web

- 1989 – Tim Berners-Lee of CERN develops a new technique for distributing information on the Internet.
 - Information Management: A Proposal
 - Based on Hypertext
 - Called it the World Wide Web
 - <http://www.w3.org/History/1989/proposal-msw.html>
- 1990 - World Wide Web protocols finished
 - HTML, HTTP, and URLs
- 1991 - First web page created
 - <http://www.w3.org/History/19921103-hypertext/hypertext/WWW/TheProject.html>



A Brief History of the Web

- 1993 - Mosaic – first major graphical web browser to make the Internet accessible to non-techies
 - Developed by Marc Andreessen and team at the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA), University of Illinois
 - Later forms Netscape
- 1994-95
 - CompuServe, America Online, and Prodigy start providing dial-up Internet access.
 - Netscape develops Navigator Browser and SSL



A Brief History of the Web

- 1995 continued
 - Ebay, Amazon, Vatican, Geocities all go online
 - Sun releases Java programming language
 - JavaScript created by Brendan Eich (originally called LiveScript) is released as part of Netscape Navigator
- 1996 – HoTMaiL, First webmail
- 1997 – Weblog term coined
 - NASA pathfinder sets traffic record with 46 million hits in a day



A Brief History of the Web

- 1998 – Google goes live
- 1999 – Napster
- 2001 – Wikipedia
- 2004 – Facebook
- 2005 – Youtube
- 2006 – Twitter
- 2007 – iPhone brings era of mobile web
- W3C How it all Started
<http://www.w3.org/2004/Talks/w3c10-HowItAllStarted/?n=0>
- Web History Timeline - <http://webdirections.org/history/#0>



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- How is web development different from software development? How is it the same?
 - Types of code
 - Runtimes and environments
 - Browser as platform
 - Networking with the internet



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- When you make a piece of Desktop Software you
 - Code in a language like C++, C, Java, Objective C or C# / Visual Basic
 - Compile the code into an executable for one or more platforms
 - The user downloads your application and installs it on a platform (operating system)
 - Manage the software with updates, registry entries and logs.



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- When you make a web application, mobile web application, or website you
 - Write front-end HTML, CSS and Javascript code for the visual presentation and interaction with the user
 - Write backend code to interact with databases and, filesystem on the server. This code may or may not be compiled.
 - Deliver the application to the user via a URL
 - The browser is your platform and compiler
 - The server is where the code is made available to users via the HTTP protocol when using the Internet



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- Software Development
 - 1 language, local database, 1 or more compiled executables, platform restricted
- Web Development
 - HTML, CSS, Javascript, Backend language (like ROR or PHP or ASP.net or Java or Python) and Database. Platform un-restricted, including mobile



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- Websites are requested and delivered to user's browsers via the HTTP Protocol.
- HTTP stands for Hyper Text Transfer Protocol
- OSI Model of networking
 - What other protocols are involved with this transaction?
 - TCP / IP
 - UDP
 - DNS
 - ARP



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- URI vs URL
 - A URL is a URI but a URI is not a URL, technically
- URI - uniform resource identifier
 - A URI identifies a resource either by location or name.
 - Don't necessarily know what the resource type is
 - `http://www.iit.edu/logo`
- URL - uniform resource locator
 - Technically type of URI
 - A URL defines the network location of a specific representation for a given resource.
 - Know what the resource type is
 - `http://www.iit.edu/logo.png`
- In practice they are used interchangeably but more often than not URI would be the generally correct term



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HTTP Request

- Client Parses the URI
 - protocol://server/request
- Client sends request to Server
 - Usually HTTP protocol
 - [METH] [REQUEST-URI] HTTP/[VER]
 - [fieldname1]: [field-value]
 - ...
 - [request body, if any (used for POST and PUT)]
- Example - GET / HTTP/1.1



HTTP Request

GET /index.html HTTP/1.1

Request Line

Date: Thu, 20 May 2004 21:12:55 GMT

Connection: close

General Headers

Host: www.myfavoriteamazingsite.com

From: joeblow@somewebsitesomewhere.com

Accept: text/html, text/plain

User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1)

Request Headers

Entity Headers

**HTTP
Request**

Message Body

http://www.tcpipguide.com/free/t_HTTPRequestMessageFormat.htm

HTTP Request

- HTTP Methods
 - GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, HEAD, TRACE, CONNECT
 - First 4 are the common ones. Mostly GET.
 - <http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec9.html>
- GET
 - Most common, Basically get me this document
 - Any variable or form data is sent as part of the URL
 - <http://www.domain.com/?q=232&name=joe>
 - Data q=232 and name=joe is available to target page



HTTP Request

- POST
 - Second most common method
 - Used often to send form data
 - Any variable or form data is sent in the request body and not appended to the URL
- PUT & DELETE
 - Used mostly with web programming frameworks
 - Used in Ruby on Rails
- HEAD
 - Returns only the Response headers from server



HTTP Response

- Server sends response to client
 - Usually HTTP Protocol
 - HTTP/[ver] code text
 - [fieldname1]: [field-value]
 - ...
 - [response body]
- First line is status of request
- Then multiple header fields can follow
- Lastly the response body follows



HTTP Response

HTTP/1.1 200 OK	Status Line	HTTP Response
Date: Thu, 20 May 2004 21:12:58 GMT	General Headers	
Connection: close		
Server: Apache/1.3.27	Response Headers	
Accept-Ranges: bytes		
Content-Type: text/html	Entity Headers	
Content-Length: 170		
Last-Modified: Tue, 18 May 2004 10:14:49 GMT		
<pre><html> <head> <title>Welcome to the Amazing Site!</title> </head> <body> <p>This site is under construction. Please come back later. Sorry!</p> </body> </html></pre>		Message Body

http://www.tcpipguide.com/free/t_HTTPResponseMessageFormat.htm

HTTP Response

- Status Codes
 - 3 digit numbers grouped into 5 groups by first digit
- 1xx – Informational
 - No 1xx status codes are defined, experimental
- 2xx – Successful
 - 200 OK – Server did request and all is well
 - Rest of the 200's are mostly used for scripting, not commonly seen



HTTP Response

- Status Codes continued
- 3xx – Redirection
 - 301 Moved permanently
 - The resource is somewhere else and links and references should be updated
 - 302 Moved temporarily
 - Means same as 301 but links and references should not be updated since it may move again in the future
 - 304 Not modified
 - Returned if the if-modified-since header used
 - Basically means cached version should be displayed



HTTP Response

- Status Codes continued
- 4xx Client error
 - 400 Bad request – Incorrect request syntax
 - 401 Unauthorized
 - Client not allowed access to resource
 - May change if client retries with authorization header
 - 403 Forbidden
 - Client not allowed access to resource
 - Authorization header will not help
 - 404 Not found – Dead link



HTTP Response

- Status Codes continued
- 5xx Server error
 - 500 Internal server error
 - Something went wrong inside the server
 - 501 Not implements
 - The request is not supported by the server
 - 503 Service unavailable
 - Usually happens when a server is overloaded
- <http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec6.html>



HTTP Response

- Response headers can include
 - Location
 - Server
 - Content-length
 - Content-type
 - Content-encoding
 - Expires
 - Last-modified
 - And others



HTTP 1.1

- HTTP/1.0
 - <http://www.w3.org/Protocols/HTTP/1.0/spec.html>
- HTTP/1.1 - 1999
 - <http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616.html>
- 1.0 vs 1.1
 - 1.0 only had GET, POST, HEAD Methods
 - 1.1 requires host header
 - 1.1 adds some cacheing and persistence and more
 - <http://www2.research.att.com/~bala/papers/h0vh1.html>



HTTP 2.0

- HTTP/2.0 is the next planned version
- Based on SPDY
 - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SPDY>
 - Effort by Google to speed up http protocol with things like compressing and multiplexing
 - Supported in some modern browsers now
- Still in development

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Software

AT A GLANCE

Popular Web Design Software Links

Web page authoring

Adobe Dreamweaver www.adobe.com

Microsoft Expression Web www.microsoft.com/products/expression

Nvu (open source web page editor) www.nvu.com

HTML editing

TextMate by MacroMates for Mac OS www.macromates.com

Sublime Text www.sublimetext.com

TextPad for Windows www.textpad.com

Coda by Panic Software www.panic.com/coda/

BBEdit by Bare Bones Software www.barebones.com

Image editing and drawing

Adobe Photoshop www.adobe.com

Adobe Photoshop Elements www.adobe.com

Adobe Illustrator www.adobe.com

Adobe Fireworks www.adobe.com

Corel Paint Shop Pro Photo www.corel.com/paintshoppro

GIMP gimp.org

Browsers

Microsoft Internet Explorer (Windows only) www.microsoft.com/windows/internet-explorer/

Firefox www.firefox.com

Google Chrome www.google.com/chrome

Opera www.opera.com

Safari www.apple.com/safari

Networking

WS_FTP, CuteFTP, AceFTP, and others for Windows available at: www.download.com

Transmit (for Macintosh OSX) www.panic.com/transmit

Cyberduck (for Macintosh OSX) cyberduck.ch

Fetch (for Macintosh OSX) fetchsoftworks.com

Cygwin (Linux emulator for Windows) www.cygwin.com

PuTTY (telnet/SSH terminal emulator) www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/



Software

- Text Editor
 - Notepad++ (windows)
 - Textpad (windows)
 - TextWrangler (mac)
 - Sublime Text 2 (multi-platform)
- SFTP
 - WinSCP (windows)
 - Filezilla (multi-platform)
 - Cyberduck (mac)
 - Transmit (mac)
- SSH (optional for some)
 - Terminal (mac & linux)
 - PuTTY (windows)



Readings

- Read Section I, Chapters 1-3, and get a head start on Section II in the book
- W3C How it all Started – pre W3C
<http://www.w3.org/2004/Talks/w3c10-HowItAllStarted/?n=0>
- Web History Timeline - <http://webdirections.org/history/#0>

