HTML, CSS, JAVASCRIPT

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HTML

HTML - HYPERTEXT MARKUP LANGUAGE

HTML is a markup language for creating web documents. HTML describes the meta-data, structure and contents of a web page.

HTML - VERSIONS

HTML standard is evolving, some of the milestones:

- HTML 2.0 was published in 1995
- HTML 3.2 was published in 1997
- HTML 4.0 was published in 1997
- HTML 4.1 was published in 1999
- XHTML 1.0 (an XML based HTML) was published in 1999
- HTML5 was published in 2011

HTML DOCUMENT

HTML document structure is similar to XML. We will refer to it's nodes as tags. It also consists of text nodes, doctype declaration and comments.

HTML DOCUMENT - BASIC STRUCTURE

DOM - DOCUMENT OBJECT MODEL

If a HTML document is being loaded it is represented by a tree, which nodes are HTML elements (created according to document tags). The root of the tree is the <html> element. It's children are <head> and <body> elements, and so on.

BROWSER'S DEVELOPER TOOLS

Most browsers offer a set of developer tools. They provide information about the document DOM and each element. They also can be used to manipulate the document structure, provide a script console and much more.

To access developer tools (in most browsers) you can use ctrl+shift+i (or option+command+i) shortcut.

DOCTYPE

Doctype is the first element of a HTML document. It is an information about what version of HTML document is written in.

HTML5 document type declaration:

<!DOCTYPE html>

TAGS

Document elements are represented by tags. Element's start is represented by start tag (<tag>) and it's end by end tag (</tag>)

```
<tag>content...</tag>
```

If a tag has no content it can be closed immediately:

```
<tag />
```

Some tags do not require the ending tag.

TAG ATTRIBUTE

HTML elements can be described by tag attributes. An attribute name and value are placed in the start tag.

<tag attribute-name="attribute-value">content...</tag>

Attribute specifies additional information about the element.

HTML COMMENTS

HTML document can contain comments. They are not displayed by the browsers.

<!-- This is a comment -->



<HEAD>

<head> tag contains the document meta-data (data that provides information about data). It can specify document's title, charset, keywords, viewport, etc.

<TITLE>

<title> tag specifies document's title. It is required in a HTML document. The title is presented by the web browser. Web page search engines use the title tag content to present the page.

<META>

<meta> tag can specify one of the multiple meta-data.
It does not have content and does not require end tag.

```
<meta charset="UTF-8">
<meta name="description" content="Document description">
<meta name="author" content="John Smith">
<meta name="viewport" content="initial-scale=1.0">
```

<LINK>

link> tag defines a link to an external document. It is often used to use external stylesheets (more on the topic later).

<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="style.css">

<BODY> TAG

Body tag defines contents of a web document. It contents describe HTML elements that are rendered by the web browser.

HEADER TAGS

A <h1>, <h2>, ... <h6> tags are used to create headers (h1 is the most important one, h6 the least important one).

HEADER TAGS EXAMPLE

```
<h1>This is important</h1>
<h2>This is not as important</h2>
<h6>This is still a header, but the least important one</h6>
```

Results with:

THIS IS IMPORTANT

THIS IS NOT AS IMPORTANT

THIS IS STILL A HEADER, BUT THE LEAST IMPORTANT ONE

<DIV> TAG

A div tag creates a block section in a document.

```
<div>First block</div>
<div>Second block</div>
<div>Third block</div>
```

Results with:

First block Second block Third block

<P> TAG

A p tag creates a paragraph. By default paragraphs have a margin between each other.

```
This text is a paragraph
This text is another paragraph
```

Results with:

This text is a paragraph

This text is another paragraph

 TAG

A span tag is an inline tag - creates an element that will be (by default) displayed in a line.

This is a line of text with a span element inside

Results with:

This is a line of text with a span element inside.

<A> TAG

An a tag represents a hyperlink. It's href attribute indicates the link's destination.

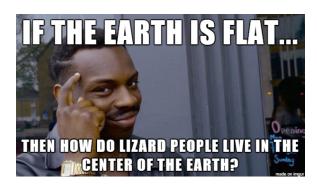
Link to google.com

Results with:

Link to google.com

 TAG

img tag places an image on the page. The src attribute specifies location of an image (relative to the document or absolute).



 TAG

ul tag creates an unordered list. List's element is created by the li tag.

```
  First element
  Second element
```

- First element
- Second element

 TAG

ol tag creates an ordered list. It is similar to the ultag, but the elements' bullets are replaced with numbers (or letters) indicating the order.

```
    First element
    Second element
```

- 1. First element
- 2. Second element

WHITESPACE CHARACTERS

Multiple whitespace characters do not influence the outcome of a HTML document. If we want to put multiple whitespace characters on a web page, we should use special characters. For a line break we can use the
br> tag.

First line
Second line

Results with:

First line Second line

SPECIAL CHARACTERS

To place any character in a HTML document we can use the &XXXX pattern, where XXXX is the name of the character of it's decimal or hexadecimal number.

- Non-breaking space:
- > symbol: >
- < symbol: <</pre>

<TABLE> TAG

table tag creates a table. It can contain header rows and body rows (contents).

<TABLE> TAG EXAMPLE

```
<thead>

First header
Second header

</thead>

First cell
Second cell
```

First header	Second header
First cell	Second cell

colspan AND rowspan ATTRIBUTES

Table cells can be merged. Cell's expansion is defined by a colspan or a rowspan attribute.

```
Cell 1A
  Cell 1B
 \langle t.r \rangle
 Cell 2A
 Cell 3A
```

colspan AND rowspan ATTRIBUTES

Results with:

Cell 1A Cell 1B

Cell 2A

Cell 3A contents

EMPHASIZING TEXT TAGS

Text can be emphasized by using em, strong or code tags.

```
<em>Em tag contents</em><br><strong>Strong tag contents</strong><br><code>Code tag contents</code><br>
```

Em tag contents
Strong tag contents
Code tag contents

HTML FORMS

<FORM> TAG

Web pages often contain user forms. HTML defines multiple tags to create form elements.

Whole form is put in the <form> tag.

```
<form>
...form contents...
</form>
```

TEXT INPUT ELEMENTS

```
<form>
    <!-- single-line text input-->
        <input type="text" value="Default value">
          <!-- multiple-line text input-->
          <textarea rows="3" cols="20">Default value</textarea>
        </form>
```

	Default value
Default value	//

INPUT LABEL

A <label> tag represents an input label. The for attribute's value refers to the id attribute's value of the input.

```
<form>
    <label for="some-input">Label for the input</label>
    <input type="text" value="some input" id="some-input">
    </form>
```

Label for the input	some input
---------------------	------------

BUTTONS

```
<form>
    <!-- a button that can contain html tags-->
    <button><strong>Displayed</strong> text</button>
    <!-- simple button-->
     <input type="button" value="Displayed text">
</form>
```

Results with:

Displayed text Displayed text

RADIO BUTTONS

Radio buttons is a set of buttons of which one can be pressed. Buttons in the same set have the same name attribute value.

```
<form>
    <label for="option-1">Option 1
        <input type="radio" name="set-of-options" id="option-1">
        </label>
        <label for="option-2">Option 2
              <input type="radio" name="set-of-options" id="option-2">
              </label>
        </form>
```

Results with:

Option 1 Option 2

CHECKBOX

Results with:

Checkbox description

DROPDOWN

Dropdowns are created by the <select> tags.

```
<form>
    <label for="some-select">A dropdown</label>
    <select id="some-select">
          <option>Option 1</option>
          <option selected>Option 2
          <option disabled>Option 3
          </select>
</form>
```



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Cascading Style Sheets is a language used to define the style of a HTML document.

STYLING HTML DOCUMENT

CSS can be applied to a HTML document in three ways:

- refering to an external style sheet document
- defined in a <style> tag in the head part of the document
- an element can be styled by it's style attribute

REFERENCE TO EXTERNAL STYLE SHEET

To refer to an external style sheet the k> tag can be used.

```
<head>
    ...
    link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="style.css">
    ...
</head>
```

CSS STYLE SHEET DOCUMENT

Style sheet describes the set of rules that will be applied to style the document. Each rule starts with a CSS selector, followed by a set of properties applied according to the selector.

```
selector1 {
  property1: some-value;
  property2: some-value;
  ...
}
selector2 {
  ...
}
```

CSS SELECTORS

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A CSS selector defines a pattern to select elements to be styled.

ID SELECTOR

To select an element by it's id attribute value (the value of id attribute has to be unique!) use #id-attribute-value pattern.

HTML:

```
<button id="my-element">Text</button>
```

CSS:

```
#my-element {
  color: red;
}
```

Results with:

Text

CLASS SELECTOR

To select elements by their class attribute value (multiple elements can have the same class attribute value) use .class-attribute-value pattern.

HTML:

```
<button class="my-class">Text</button>
<div class="my-class">Text</div>

CSS:

.my-class {
   color: red;
}
```

Results with:

Text

Text

TAG SELECTOR

To select elements by their tag name use tag-name pattern.

HTML:

```
<button>Text</button>
<button>Text</button>
```

CSS:

```
button {
  color: red;
}
```



DESCENDANT SELECTOR

CSS selector can be combined. The following example:

```
#my-element div {
    ...
}
```

will select all div elements that are descendants of an element with "my-element" id.

CHILD SELECTOR

Selector:

```
#my-element>div {
     ...
}
```

selects all div elements that are children of an element with "my-element" id.

NEXT ELEMENT SELECTOR

Selector:

```
label+p { {
    ...
}
```

selects all p elements that are placed immediately after label elements.

COMBINED SELECTOR

Selector:

```
selector1, selector2 {
   ...
}
```

selects all elements selected by selector1 and all elements selected by selector2.

ATTRIBUTE BASED SELECTOR

Elements can be selected by their attributes' values.

Selector:

selects all elements with attribute name with value "abc".

CSS PROPERTIES

COLOR PROPERTIES

color properties sets the text color. background-color sets the background color of an element. The most popular patterns of color value are: english name, hexadecimal rgb, decimal based rgb or decimal based rgba (color with opacity).

```
button {
  color: red;
  background-color: brown;
}
```



WIDTH AND HEIGHT

If element's size is required to be set, you can use height and width properties. The value's units can be: cm, mm, in (inches), px, pt (1/72 of an inch), pc (12pt) or %.

```
button {
  width: 100px;
  height: 50px;
}
```

Results with:

Text

FONT STYLING

Font can be styled in multiple ways.

```
button {
  font-family: "Courier-New";
  font-size: 25px;
  text-decoration: underline;
  font-weight: bold;
  font-style: italic;
}
```

Results with:

<u>Text</u>

MARGINS

Elements can have inner and outer margins. Inner margin is defined by padding property, outer margin by margin property.

```
button {
  padding: 10px;
  margin: 20px;
}
```



BORDER

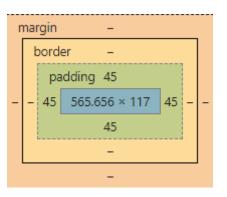
Elements can also have borders. Border property can be defined by three values at once: thickness, style and color.

```
button {
  border: 3px dashed blue;
}
```



ELEMENTS SIZE

HTML element is put in a box which size is: element size + padding + margin + border. This is often referred to as the "Box model" term.



DISPLAY PROPERTY

display property defines how an element is displayed.

Some of the values:

- display: block; an element starts on a new line and takes up the whole width.
- display: inline; element is a part of a line. height and width properties have no effect.
- display: inline-block; element is a part of a line, but it's width and height can be set.
- display: none; element is not displayed at all.

CSS PSEUDO-CLASSES

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A pseudo-class is used to select an element according to it's state or it's placement. It can be used to select n-th elements, focused elements, active links, etc.

:HOVER PSEUDO-CLASS

:hover pseudo-class selects an element under the mouse cursor.

```
button:hover {
  color: red;
}
```

The result of the example is when a mouse is over a button it's color is red.

:NTH-CHILD PSEUDO-CLASS

:nth-child pseudo-class selects elements according to their order.

```
<button>button1</button>
  <button>button2</button>
  <button>button3</button>
  <button>button4</button>

button:nth-child(2n) {
   color: red;
}
```



PSEUDO-ELEMENT:BEFORE

HTML elements can be also created by CSS. A selector that ends with :before will create elements (pseudo-elements) and put them as the first child in each element selected by the selector.

```
<button>button1</button>
<button>button2</button>

button:before {
  content: "abc";
  color: red;
}
```

```
abcbutton1 abcbutton2
```

PSEUDO-ELEMENT:AFTER

Pseudo-element: after does the same thing: after, but it places the new element at the end of the tag.

```
<button>button1</button>
<button>button2</button>

button:after {
  content: "abc";
  color: red;
}
```

Results with:

button1abc button2abc

@MEDIA RULE

@media rule is used to apply different styles for different screen sizes/devices.

```
@media (max-width: 500px) {
   p {
        ...
   }
}
```

Example above results with styling tags differently, when screen's width is less than or equal to 500px.

<STYLE> TAG

CSS rules can be applied using <style> tag placed in the <head> tag.

```
<style>
selector1 {
  attribute1: value;
  attribute2: value;
}
...
</style>
```

INLINE STYLE

HTML element can be styled by specifying css properties directly in the style attribute of the tag.

<div style="color: red; background-color: blue">Text</div>

JAVASCRIPT

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JavaScript is programming language that makes web pages interactive.

<SCRIPT> TAG

Scripts are put in a <script> tag.

```
<script>...
```

<script> tag can also be used to load script from an external file. The closure of script tag is required.

```
<script src="script.js"></script>
```

DECLARING VARIABLES

A variable can be declared using var keyword. JavaScript is weakly typed, it means that we don't declare variable's type.

var x;

BASIC TYPES

Strings are put in the double or single quotes.

```
var text1 = "abc";
var text2 = 'abc';
```

Numbers literals are put directly.

```
var number1 = 123;
var text2 = 5.01234;
```

Boolean literals are put directly.

```
var boolean1 = true;
var boolean2 = false;
```

CONSOLE.LOG

To print value in the browsers console console.log method can be used.

```
console.log("this will be printed in the console");
```

BASIC OPERATORS

Most of the common operators work similarly to Java operators.

```
console.log(1 + 2); // prints 3
console.log(1 % 2); // prints 1
console.log("abc" + "def"); // prints "abcdef"
console.log(true && false); // prints false
```

== VS ===

In JavaScript there are two comparison operators. If we want to compare values we use == operator. If we want to compare values and types we use ===.

```
console.log(5 == 5); // prints true
console.log("5" == 5); // prints true
console.log("5" === 5); // prints false (types differ)
```

ARRAYS

An array is created by using brackets - elements are put inside of them.

```
var array = [1, 4, 7];
```

An array's element and length are referred to just like it is done in Java.

```
console.log(array[2]); // prints 7
console.log(array.length); // prints 3
```

To add element to array we use the push method

```
array.push(9);
```

OBJECTS

Objects are created using JSON (JavaScript Object Notation).

```
var object = {
  property1: "value",
  property2: 123,
  property3: false
}
```

Object's property can be accessed in two ways:

```
console.log(object["property1"]);
```

or

```
console.log(object.property1);
```

FUNCTIONS

Functions a declared as follows:

```
function functionName(firstParameterName, secondParameterName)
  // instructions
  return "some value";
}
```

Function is called the standard way:

functionName(firstParameterValue, secondParameterValue);

FUNCTION EXAMPLE

```
function add(a, b) {
  return a + b;
}
console.log(add(5, 7)); // prints 12
```

OTHER JS AND JAVA SIMILARITIES

There are multiple other syntax similarities between these languages (and many other C-family programming languages).

```
for(var i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    ...
}
while(condition) {
    ...
}</pre>
```

```
if(condition) {
    ...
} else ...

switch(x) {
    case X:
    ...
}
```

GETTING A DOM ELEMENT

The document object represents the whole DOM. It can be used to get a particular element or a set of elements.

```
var element = document.getElementById("some-id");
var elements = document.getElementsByClassName("some-class");
```

ACCESSING ELEMENT'S PROPERTIES

Element's inner HTML is referred by innerHTML property.

```
var innerHTML = element.innerHTML;
element.innerHTML = "<div>New inner HTML</div>";
```

To get the list of properties simply print the element.

```
console.log(element);
```

JQUERY

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jQuery is a library that makes programming in JavaScript easier. It simplifies the code a lot.

ADDING JQUERY TO THE DOCUMENT

jQuery can be added by downloading the library (http://jquery.com/download/), and adding:

<script src="jQuery.version.js"></script>

where the "version" is downloaded version. It is important to load the jQuery before the script that uses it.

JQUERY SELECTORS

One of the most powerful jQuery's tools are selector methods. The method is called \$ (just the dollar sign). The argument can be any css selector:

```
var $divElements = $("div");
// prints a collection of all div elements
console.log($divElements);
```

JQUERY ELEMENT METHODS

We can easily modify DOM with the usage of jQuery, for example:

```
var $element = $("#some-id");
// sets the new inner html
$element.html("<div>new html</div>");
// sets the inner text
$element.text("new text");
// applies css rules
$element.css({color: "blue", "background-color": "red"});
// sets the attribute value
$element.attr("id", "new-id");
// sets the attribute value
$element.addClass("class-name");
```

AJAX

AJAX (Asynchronous JavaScript and XML) - a set of techniques used to send requests asynchronously (in the background) by the web application to the server and perform actions when the response is retrieved.

JQUERY AJAX METHOD

jQuery offers a set of useful methods to perform AJAX requests. The most universal one is the \$.ajax method.

```
$.ajax({
   url: "....",
   method: "GET",
   success: function(response) {
     console.log("Success! Server responsed with: " + response)
   }
});
```

A GET method request will be send to a location specified by url property. If response's status code indicates that request was performed correctly, then the method passed as the value of the success property is called.

FURTHER READING

- Head First HTML and CSS: A Learner's Guide to Creating Standards-Based Web Pages
- Head First JavaScript Programming: A Brain-Friendly Guide
- HTML and CSS: Design and Build Websites
- JavaScript and JQuery: Interactive Front-End Web Development
- Learning Web Design: A Beginner's Guide to HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Web Graphics