

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head><title> My First html</title></head>
  <body>
    Hello, World!<br>
    
</html>
```

CS144: Web Applications

HTML (HyperText Markup Language)

Basic HTML

HTML is not case sensitive, but recommended the lower case

- Current version: HTML5

All element require opening and closing tag

- Exception
- 1991: HTML(1)
 - * Designed by Tim-Berner's Lee at CERN
 - * Based on SGML (Standard Generalized Markup Language)
 - 1995: HTML2.0, 1997: HTML3.2, 1998: HTML4.01 [/Favicon.ico //logo of the website](#)
 - 2000: XHTML
 - 2014: HTML5

Instead of
 use
<i> use or <u>
<tt> use <code>

Insert whitespace =>

Anything between < > is TAG

< <
> >
& &

<!-- --> comments

- * Standardization is both technical and political process
- * Dispute over future direction of HTML (XHTML vs HTML5)
- * All versions through HTML4.01 (and XHTML) were developed by W3C (World Wide Web Consortium)
- * HTML5 was developed by WHATWG (Web Hypertext Application Technology Working Group)
- An HTML5 document starts with <!DOCTYPE html>
 - Triggers HTML5 standard mode in browsers
 - Earlier versions use different DOCTYPE
 - * HTML4.01: <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
 - Remnants from SGML (Standard Generalized Markup Language)
- document = text + tags
 - Tags
 - * special "markup symbols" enclosed in < ... >
 - Text
 - * Any text not enclosed in < ... >
 - Q: How do we include < or > in text? What about &?

- Basic structure of an HTML document

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head><title>...</title></head>
<body>...</body>
</html>
```

HTML Elements

- HTML Element: a single HTML entity enclosed in an opening and a closing tag
 - Example: `<p>paragraph</p>`
 - An open tag `<x>` must be followed by a matching closing tag `</x>`, except “void elements” (= empty element) such as `
`, `<hr>`, ``, ...
 - `<p>` is NOT a void element, but most browsers do not enforce closing it
- Tag names are case insensitive (lowercase is recommended)
- Common HTML tags
 - `<p>`, ``, `<i>`, `<h1>`, ``, ``, ``, ...
- Tags can have “attributes”
 - E.g., ``
 - Both single or double quotes can be used to enclose an attribute value
- Tags represent the document *structure*, not *formatting*
 - Most formatting tags like ``, `<center>`, `<u>`, `<s>`, `<tt>` have been deprecated in HTML5
 - `` and `<i>` tags still remain. Just too popular
 - Use CSS (Cascading Style Sheet) for formatting
 - * Can be embedded using the `style` attribute like `style="font-family: courier"`
 - HTML5 has added many new “semantic elements”
 - * `<header>`, `<footer>`, `<nav>`, `<article>`, `<section>`, ...
 - formatting vs structure
 - * `` -> ``
 - * `<i>` -> ``
 - * `<tt>` -> `<code>`
 - * `<s>` -> ``
 - * `<u>` -> `<ins>`

- * ...
- Q: Why do we want to separate structure from style?
- Multiple white spaces and line breaks are displayed as a single white space
 - Q: How do we display multiple white spaces? line breaks?
- Comments appear in `<!-- ... -->`
 - Comment tags cannot be nested
- Q: how can we embed a link?
 - anchor tag: `...`
 - * note: `<link rel="relationship"href="url">` does not generate a clickable link
 - e.g., `<link rel="stylesheet"href="style.css">` is for stylesheet
 - Fragment identifier: string behind # symbol in URL
 - * points to the *HTML element* with the given id
 - * `http://a.com/a.html#g3` points to the element with `id="g3"` attribute on `a.html`
- Q: how can we embed a multimedia object? Image? Audio? Video? Flash?
 - Image: `` tag
 - Audio: `<audio src="voice.mp3"type="audio/mpeg"controls>` tag
 - Video: `<video src="video.mp4"type="video/mp4"controls>` tag
 - * `<audio>` and `<video>` tags were introduced in HTML5
 - * Controls attribute add control buttons like play, pause, volume, etc
 - General object: `<object data="url"type="content-type">` tag

```
<object data="http://www.app.com/app.swf" type="application/x-shockwave-flash"></object>
```

 - * `<embed src=url type=content-type>` is also very common (non-standard) due to browser compatibility issues
- Q: Can we include another HTML page in the page?
 - `<iframe>`
 - * Example: `<iframe src="b.html"width="200"height="300">`

- `<iframe>` is frequently used to get around the third-party-cookie restriction
 - * more discussion later
- Q: where does the small icon next to title come?
 - favicon (favorite icon): small icon displayed next to title
 - default favicon path: `/favicon.ico`
 - nondefault favicon location can be specified through `<link rel="icon" href="path/to/favicon.png">`
 - * recommended to be 196x196 pixels in size
- What's new in HTML5
 - New tags:
 - * `<audio>`, `<video>`, `<header>`, `<email>`, ...
 - Clearly defined logic to translate "ill-defined" documents and handle errors
 - * more consistent behavior among multiple browsers
 - Programmable Javascript API
 - * Canvas element for 2D drawing
 - * Web Storage for local data storage
 - * Offline Web Application for offline app support
 - * Document Editing and Drag-and-Drop
 - * ...
- XHTML
 - Mostly the same as HTML, but much stricter formatting rules
 - * tags and attributes MUST be lower case, not upper case.
 - * ALL tags MUST have matching end tags. No empty elements. (e.g., `
</br>`)
 - * always use quotes around attribute values
 - Failed to take off because it was just too strict without much benefit to end users
- HTML validator
 - Online validators exist to check the standard compliance of a document
 - * <https://validator.w3.org/>

User Input and HTML Forms

- Many Web sites want to generate contents dynamically based on "user input"
 - e.g., search by keywords, facebook status update, ...

- Q: how can a server collect input from users?
- HTML **form**: an intuitive interface to get user's input
 - Example: Google search box <http://oak.cs.ucla.edu/classes/cs144/examples/form.html>

```
<form action="http://www.google.com/search" method="GET">
  <input name="q" type="text"> <input type="submit">
</form>
```

- Interaction

```
-- initial request -->
client <- form page ----- server
-- request w input -->
<-- result -----
```

- `<form>`
 - action: the destination URL where input is sent (default: .)
 - method: HTTP method to use (default: GET)
- `<input>`
 - Show input type examples: <http://oak.cs.ucla.edu/classes/cs144/examples/input-types.html>
 - basic input types
 - * simple box: text, password, ...
 - Example: `<input type="text" name="username" value="initial value">`
 - `placeholder="hints"` attribute: hints is displayed if the field is empty
 - * selection: checkbox, radio, and `<select>` + `<option>` tags
 - `checked` attribute for default selection
 - * button: submit, button
 - `submit` submits the form while `button` does not
 - `value="text"`: button text
 - * hidden: e.g., `<input type="hidden" name="email" value="a@b.com">`
 - Q: why do we need this?
 - Other popular input tags: `<textbox>`, `<button>`
 - * `<textbox>` allows large text input area
 - * `<button>` allows button text to be different from `value` attribute

- HTML5 adds many more input types: date, time, email, color, number, ...
 - `<label>`
 - Example: `<label for="e1">Email:</label><input type="text" id="e1" name="email">`
 - `for="id"` attribute points to the `id` of the input
 - User input encoding
 - every input field needs the `name` attribute
 - user inputs are encoded as a “query string”, which is `name=value` pairs separated by `&`
 - * e.g., `first=John&last=Cho`
 - For GET
 - * query string is attached to URL after `?`, e.g., `http://google.com/search?q=UCLA`
 - * General syntax of URL: `protocol://host/path?query_string#fragment_id`
 - For POST
 - * query string is sent inside the request body
 - * show example packet generated from `http://oak.cs.ucla.edu/classes/cs144/examples/post.html`
- ```
POST /search HTTP/1.1
...
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 7
...
q=UCLA
```
- Sending a file to the server
  - `<input type="file">` allows the user to send a file to the server
  - `<form>` should use the following attributes:
    - \* `method="POST"`
    - \* `enctype="multipart/form-data"`
  - `multipart/form-data` MIME type
    - \* Makes it possible to upload files in a single request
    - \* Example at `http://oak.cs.ucla.edu/classes/cs144/examples/multipart.html`
    - \* Object “boundary separator” is specified as `boundary` attribute of Content-

Type header

- E.g., `Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=--EndOfFile`
- \* `Content-Disposition`: how to “dispose” each part.
  - possible values: `form-data`, `inline`, `attachment`
- Q: Exactly what happens at the server when they get HTTP requests?

## References

- HTML5: <https://www.w3.org/TR/html5/>