PHP: hypertext Preprocessor

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How Web works?

- WWW use classical client / server architecture
 - ► HTTP is text-based request-response protocol



HTTP

Page request

HITTP

Serverresponse



Client running a
Web Browser

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Server running Web
Server Software
(IIS, Apache, etc.)

PHP- Introduction

- PHP stands hypertext Preprocessor
- ► PHP is open source general-purpose scripting language that is especially suited for web development and can be embedded into HTML
- ► PHP scripts are executed on the server .
- PHP supports many databases (MySQL, Informix, Oracle, Sybase, Solid, PostgreSQL, Generic ODBC, etc.)
- ► PHP runs on different platforms (Windows, Linux, Unix, etc.).
- ► PHP is compatible with almost all servers used today (Apache, IIS, etc.)
- ► PHP is easy to learn and runs efficiently on the server side

PHP Syntax

■ A PHP scripting Block Always Start With <?php and End with ?>. <?php

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?>

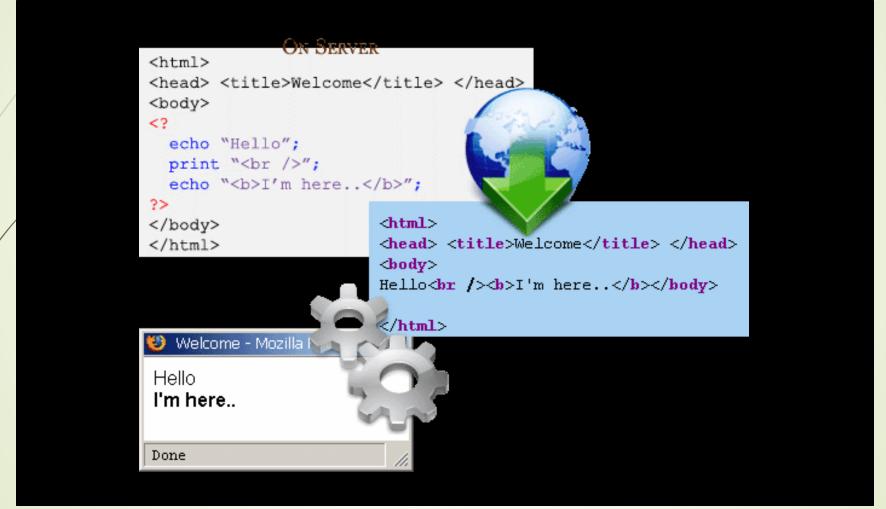
- Php scripting block paced any where in the document.
- Php short-open tags look like this:

```
<? .... ?>
```

```
<html>
<body>
<php
echo "hello";
?>
</body>
</html>
```

- Echo used to output data to the screen.
- ► PHP file must save using .PHP extension

- ► PHP code is executed on the server, generating HTML which is then sent to the client.
- The client would receive the results of running that script, but would not know what the underlying code was.



PHP Getting Started

On windows, you can download and install WAMP/Xampp. With one installation and you get an Apache webserver, database server.

http://www.wampserver.com

On mac, you can download and install MAMP.

http://www.mamp.info/en/index.html

PHP Hello World

```
<html>
 <head>
 <title>PHP Test</title>
 </head>
 <body>
 <?php echo '<p>Hello World'; ?>
</body>
</html>
```

Above is the PHP source code.

PHP Hello World

It renders as HTML that looks like this:

```
<html>
    <head>
        <title>PHP Test</title>
        </head>
        <body>
        Hello World
        </body>
    </body>
    </html>
```

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PHP Comments

In PHP, we use // to make a single-line comment or /* and */ to make a large comment block.

```
<html>
<body>
<?php
//This is a comment
This is
a comment
block
?>
</body>
</html>
```

Variable

- Variables are used for storing values, such as numbers, strings or function results, so that they can be used many times in a script.
- Variables are used for storing a values, like text strings, numbers or arrays.
- ► All variables in PHP are denoted with a leading dollar sign (\$).
 - Syntax:

\$variable name=value;

- A variable name can only contain alpha-numeric characters, underscores (a-z, A-Z, 0-9, and _)
- ► PHP is case sensitive \$Mystring and \$mystring are different variable

variable

■ Integers : are whole numbers, without a decimal point, like 4195.

\$num=123

Doubles: are floating-point numbers, like 3.14159 or 49.1.

\$fl=21.4

■ Booleans: have only two possible values either true or false.

\$b=true

► NULL: is a special type that only has one value: NULL.

\$n=NULL

Strings: are sequences of characters, like 'PHP supports string operations.'

\$s="hello world"

PHP Operator

Operators are used to operate on values. There are four classifications of operators:

- 1. Arithmetic
- 2. Assignment
- 3. Comparison
- 4. Logical

Arithmetic Operators

Operator	Description	Example	Result
+	Addition	x=2 x+2	4
-	Subtraction	x=2 5-x	3
*	Multiplication	x=4 x*5	20
/	Division	15/5 5/2	3 2.5
%	Modulus (division remainder)	5%2 10%8 10%2	1 2 0
++	Increment	x=5 x++	x=6
	Decrement	x=5 x	x=4

Assignment Operators

Operator	Example	Is The Same As
=	x=y	x=y
+=	x+=y	x=x+y
-=	x-=y	x=x-y
=	x=y	x=x*y
/=	x/=y	x=x/y
.=	x.=y	x=x.y
%=	x%=y	x=x%y

Comparison Operators

Operator	Description	Example
==	is equal to	5==8 returns false
!=	is not equal	5!=8 returns true
<>	is not equal	5<>8 returns true
>	is greater than	5>8 returns false
<	is less than	5<8 returns true
>=	is greater than or equal to	5>=8 returns false
<=	is less than or equal to	5<=8 returns true

Logical Operators

Operator	Description	Example
8.8.	and	x=6 y=3 (x < 10 && y > 1) returns true
II	or	x=6 y=3 (x==5 y==5) returns false
!	not	x=6 y=3 !(x==y) returns true

Decision Making

- ▶ Very often when you write code, you want to perform different actions for different decisions. use conditional statements.
- if statement use this statement to execute some code only if a specified condition is true
- if...else statement use this statement to execute some code if a condition is true and another code if the condition is false
- if...else if...else statement use this statement to select one of several blocks of code to be executed
- switch statement use this statement to select one of many blocks of code to be executed

If()

► The following example will output "Have a nice weekend!" if the current day is Friday:

```
<?php
$day="fri";
if($day=="fri")
{
    echo "have a nice weekend";
}
?>
```

If...else

■ Use the if....else statement to execute some code if a condition is true and another code if a condition is false.

```
<?php
        $day="fri";
        if($day=="fri")
        echo "have a nice weekend";
        else
        echo "have a nice day";
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```

If....elseif....else

```
<?php
   $day="fri";
   if($day=="fri"){
   echo "have a nice weekend"; }
   else if($day=="sun"){
   echo "have a enjoy day"; }
   else {
   echo "have a nice day"; }
?>
```

Switch..case

The Switch statement in PHP is used to perform one of several different actions based on one of several different conditions.

```
<?php
     $num=5;
     switch($num)
     case 1:
          echo "The number is one;
          break;
     case 2:
          echo "The number is two;
          break;
     default:
          echo "No number found";
     break;
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```

Looping statement

- The same block of code to run over and over again in a row. Instead of adding several almost equal lines in a script we can use loops to perform a task like this.
- while loops through a block of code while a specified condition is true
- do...while loops through a block of code once, and then repeats the loop as long as a specified condition is true
- for loops through a block of code a specified number of times

While loop

The while loop will execute a block of code if and as long as a condition is true.

```
<?php
    $i=1;
    while($i<=5)
    {
    echo "The number is " . $i . "<br/>";
    $i++;
    }
    ?>
```

Do...while

The do...while loop will execute a block of code at least once-it then will repeat the loop as long as a condition is true.

```
<?php
$var=0;
do
{
$var++;
echo "The number is " . $var .
"<br/>";
}
while ($var<5);
?>
```

For loop

The for loop is used when you know how many times you want to execute a statement or a list of statements

```
<?php
for ($i=1; $i<=5; $i++)
{
  echo "hiiii ! <br/>'';
}
?>
```

Array

- An array is a special variable, which can store multiple values in one single variable.
- Instead of having many similar variables, you can store the data as elements an array.
- Each element in the array has its own index so that it can be easily accessed
- In PHP, there are three kind of arrays:
- Numeric array An array with a numeric index
- Associative array An array where each ID key is associated with a value
- Multidimensional array An array containing one or more arrays

Numeric array

► A numeric array stores each array element with a numeric index.

Associative Array

- With an associative array, each ID key is associated with a value.
- ► When storing data about specific named values, a numerical array is not always the best way to do it.
- ■With associative arrays we can use the values as keys and assign values to them.

```
<?php
$language= array("a"=>"PHP", "b"=>"JAVA", "c"=>"ASP");
echo "Language is " . $language['a']
```

?>

multidimensional array

■ In a multidimensional array, each element in the main array can also be an array. And each element in the sub-array can be an array, and so on.

```
<?php
$language = array("programming"=>array("PHP","ASP","JAVA"), "Designing
"=>"HTML");
echo $language['programming']['1'];
?>
```

Function

- A function is a block of code that can be executed whenever we need it.
- A function will be executed by a call to the function.

?>

Adding parameters...

- To add more functionality to a function, we can add parameters. A parameter is just like a variable.
- Parameters are specified after the function name, inside the parentheses.

```
<?php
function test($fname)
{
    echo $fname. "Technology.<br/>";
}
    echo "My company is ";
    test("abc");
?>
```

Isset()

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■ isset() — Determine if a variable is set and is not NULL

```
<?php
// $p = 'tops';
// This will evaluate to TRUE so the text will be printed
if(isset($p))
{
   echo "This var is set so I will print.";
}
?>
```

File inclusion

► You can insert the content of a file into a PHP file before the server executes it, with the include() or require() function.

```
<html>
<body>
<?php

include("header.php"); or require("header.php");
```

```
?>
    <h1>Welcome to my home page</h1>
    Some text
    </body>
    </html>
```

PHP Global variable

Several predefined variables in PHP are "superglobals", which means that they are always accessible, regardless of scope - and you can access them from any function, class or file without having to do anything special.

Super global variable

\$GLOBALS

\$_SERVER

\$_REQUEST

\$_POST

\$_GET

\$_FILES

\$_COOKIE

\$_SESSION

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GET & POST

- ► PHP \$_GET can also be used to collect form data after submitting an HTML form with method="get".
- PHP \$_POST is widely used to collect form data after submitting an HTML form with method="post".
- The get method is not suitable for large variable values; the value cannot exceed 100 chars.

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