
Lab Exercise 06– Introduction to PHP

Objectives

By the end of this lab session you will be able to:

- Familiar with PHP basics.

Introduction to PHP

- PHP is a server side scripting language. That is used to develop Static websites or Dynamic websites. PHP stands for Hypertext Pre-processor
- A PHP file can be saved with the extension ".php".
- PHP files can contain text, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and PHP code
- PHP code are executed on the server, and the result is returned to the browser as plain HTML
- PHP can generate dynamic page content and collect form data
- PHP can create, open, read, write, delete, and close files on the server
- PHP can add, delete, modify data in your database and can be used to control user-access

First program using PHP

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>My First Program</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <? php

        #This is a comment
        echo "Hello, Welcome to PHP!!!";

    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

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Variables in PHP

- A variable start with the \$ sign, followed by the name of the variable
- A variable name must start with a letter or the underscore character (cannot start with a number)
- Variable names are case-sensitive (\$age and \$AGE are two different variables) □

Variables can store data of different types such as integer, string and etc..

- A string can be any text inside single or double quotes
- An integer data type is a non-decimal number (must have at least one digit)
- An integer can be either positive or negative

```
<?php
$name = 'Saman';
$age = 24;
$salary = 2500.50;
$num1 = 10;
$num2 = 20;
$num3 = $num1 + $num2;

print("My name is $name <br>");
print("$num1 + $num2 = $num3 <br>");
?>
```

Php Comments.

// this is a single-line comment

this is also a single-line comment

/*in php

this is a multiple-lines comment block that spans over multiple lines.*//

Lab Exercise 06– Introduction to PHP**Conditional Statements Arrays in PHP****If - elseif -else**

```
<?php
# textual representation of a day (three letters)
#$d = date("D");
$d = "Sun";
if ($d == "Fri")
echo "Have a nice weekend!";
elseif ($d == "Sun")
    echo "Have a nice Sunday!";
else
    echo "Have a nice day!";
?>
```

For each

```
<?php
$num = array( 1, 2, 3, 4, 5);
foreach( $num as $value ) {
echo "Value is $value <br />";
}
?>
```

Do - while

```
<?php
$x = 1;
do {
    echo "The number is: $x <br>";
    $x++;
} while ($x <= 5);
?>
```

Switch - case

```
$d = date("D");
switch ($d){
case "Mon":
    echo "Today is Monday";
    break;
case "Tue":
    echo "Today is Tuesday";
    break;
case "Wed":
    echo "Today is Wednesday";
    break;
case "Thu":
    echo "Today is Thursday";
    break;
case "Fri":
    echo "Today is Friday";
    break;
case "Sat":
    echo "Today is Saturday";
    break;
case "Sun":
    echo "Today is Sunday";
    break;
default:
    echo "Wonder which day is this ?";
}
```

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In PHP, there are three types of arrays:

1. **Indexed arrays** - Arrays with a numeric index

□ The index can be assigned automatically (index always starts at 0) □

The index can be assigned manually

```
<?php
$weekdays = array("Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday", "Thursday", "
    Friday");
foreach( $weekdays as $value ) {
echo "Weekdays : $value <br />";
}
    echo "<br />";
$weekends[5] = "Saturday";
$weekends[6] = "Sunday";
foreach( $weekends as $value ) {
echo "Weekends : $value <br />";
}
?>
```

2. **Associative arrays** - Arrays with named keys

```
<?php
$age = array("Bob"=>35, "Sally"=>37);
echo "Bob is " . $age["Bob"] . " years old."<br />;
echo "Sally is " . $age["Sally"] . " years old."<br />;
echo "<br />";

$salaries["Bob"] = 2000;
$salaries["Sally"] = 4000;

echo "Bob is being paid - " . $salaries["Bob"] . "<br />";
echo "Sally is being paid - " . $salaries["Sally"] . "<br />";
?>
```

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3. Multidimensional arrays - Arrays containing one or more arrays

A multi-dimensional 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. Values in the multi-dimensional array are accessed using multiple index.

Functions in PHP

- Function name should start with keyword “**function**” and all the PHP code should be put inside “{” and “}” braces.
- A function will not execute immediately when a page loads. A function will be executed by a call to the function.
- Function names are **NOT case-sensitive**.

```
<?php
#Starting of the function implementation
function addFunction($num1, $num2) {
    $sum = $num1 + $num2;
    echo "Sum of the two numbers ($num1 and $num2) is : $
        sum <br />";
}
addFunction(10, 20);
addFunction(12, 55);
?>
```

Exercise 01:

```
<?php function student_info($student_name, $subject, $grade,)
{
    echo "The Name of the student is : $student_name <br />";
    echo "Subject is : $subject and $grade is : $grade";
}
?>
```



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- I. Create a php file, name it as 'gradeCreator.php', and add above code and save it.
- II. Call the function to display below output.
The Name of the student is Saman

Subject is iwt and Grade is 'A'

- III. Create a global variable "classSize" and assign value 40. Change above function to print "His class size is 40", using that global variable.
- IV. Define a constant name **sliit**, change the function to print "He studies at Srilanka institute of information and technology"
- V. Write a switch statement to display students mark range. In this case it should print "He got more than 85 to IWT".

Exercise 02:

Name	IWT Marks
Gamage	78
Perera	85
Vithanage	92
Wasala	55
Somarathna	77
nawarathna	82
Kalpage	33
Uduwaka	45

- Create an associated array name `iwt_marks` to store above details.
- Write a function in a separate php file, with if else statements to return students grade. Call that function to display Wasla's and Kalpages grades.
- Use for loop to iterate your array and generate below output.
(Output: Gamage : 78 marks and grade : 'A'.....to Uduwaka :45 marks and grade: 'C')

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Exercise 03: Write a functions to convert temperature from Celsius to Fahrenheit and Fahrenheit to Celsius.

Exercise 04: Write a function to calculate the area and perimeter when the length and width are given as the input parameters. Identify whether it is a square or a rectangle.