

# HTML

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# Objectives and Competencies

# Markup Languages

- Origin: *marking up* documents
- Syntactical distinguishable from the text
- Examples for markup languages
  - LaTeX
  - XML
  - HTML
  - JSON?

# JSON

JSON is a text format that is completely language independent but uses conventions that are familiar to programmers of the C-family of languages, including C, C++, C#, Java, JavaScript, Perl, Python, and many others. These properties make JSON an ideal data-interchange language.<sup>1</sup>

▶ Eventually, JSON is not a markup language.

# HTML

- **H**ypertext **M**arkup **L**anguage
- Markup directives to describe content (structure, formatting)
- Declarative language
- Annotation using tags `< >`
- Case-insensitive

## Example

```
<p>Hello World!</p>
```

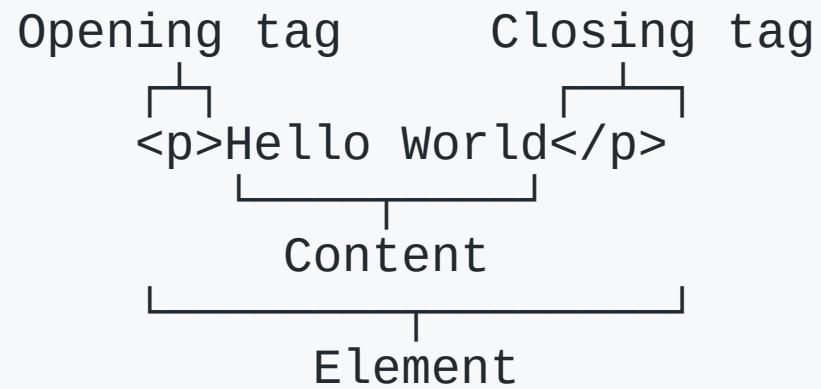
# Anatomy of HTML Tags

Opening tag      Closing tag

`<p>Hello World</p>`

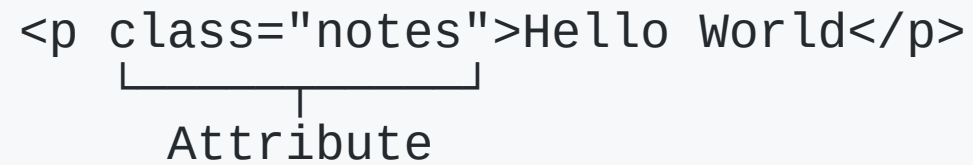
Content

Element



`<p class="notes">Hello World</p>`

Attribute



# Special Character

Literal character	Character Reference Equivalent
<	&lt;
>	&gt;
"	&quot;
'	&apos;
&	&amp;
nonbreaking space	&nbsp;

# HTML Document

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <title>My HTML page</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <p>Hello World!</p>
  </body>
</html>
```



# Header

- Meta Tag

```
<meta charset="utf-8">
```

- Link Tag

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="styles.css">
```

# XHTML

- Extensible Hypertext Markup Language
- Extended from XML and HTML
- More restrictive than vanilla HTML
- Why?
  - Malformed HTML (e.g. missing closing tags)

# XHTML Example

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en" lang="en">
  <head>
    <title>My XHTML page</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <p>Hello world!</p>
    <br />
  </body>
</html>
```

# Basic XHTML Rules

- Every tag required a closing tag
- Shorthand form for `<p></p>` is `<p />`
- Quotes are required for
- `<html>`, `<head>`, `<title>`, and `<body>` are mandatory
- `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration is necessary at the top of the file
- No attribute minimization
- Elements and attributes must be in lowercases

# DOCTYPE

- The `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration is **not** an HTML tag
- Tells the browser what to expect, each doctype
- HTML 4 and XHTML must refer to an DTD (Document Type Definition)
- HTML 5
  - `<!DOCTYPE html>`
- Different Doctypes allow different HTML tags

# References