

Full Stack Application Development

Accessibility

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UX based on Technologies used



- Consider the technologies that people use to experience our websites
 - devices,
 - browsers,
 - operating systems, and
 - assistive technologies
- How to design for them
- Responsive design is about creating fluid designs through HTML and CSS that adapt seamlessly to screen size, resolution, and aspect ratio, so that the layout remains optimally usable and attractive
- Accessible design is about creating designs that are usable and enjoyable by people with disabilities, including physical, sensory, cognitive, and neurological problems
- Universal design is about creating designs that are usable and enjoyable by everyone, regardless of age, status, culture, ethnicity, or ability



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Designing for accessibility



- The most important way to design for assistive technologies is to design with different users in mind, following usability guidelines
- Designing for keyboard input
- Designing for Screen Readers
- Careful color and color contrast choices

 Web accessibility is about removing barriers that prevent people with disabilities from accessing websites.



Principles of accessibility



- The Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.0) by W3C defines
- Four principles of accessibility.
- Perceivable: Information and other interface elements must be visible to everyone.
- Operable: Everyone must be able to navigate around any website.
- Understandable: The information on websites must be easily understandable.
- **Robust**: The content and its interpretation must be reliable, and compatible with different devices, browsers, and assistive technologies.



Guidelines



- Using semantic HTML elements.
- Use Text Alternatives for non text content like images
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- Ensure that form elements are accessible.
- Arrange the HTML document with a logical and hierarchical structure.
- Use appropriate heading elements
- Ensure that all interactive elements are accessible via the keyboard.
- Maintain sufficient contrast between text and background colors to enhance readability.



An army of <div> elements



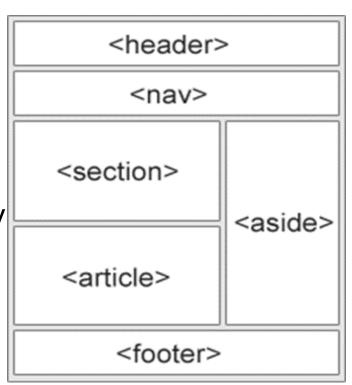
```
<div class="container">
    <div class="row ">
        <div class="col-2 bg-primary">first column</div>
        <div class="col-6 bg-secondary">second column</div>
        <div class="col-4 bg-primary">third column</div>
   </div>
</div>
<hr/>
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Semantic Elements



- header: <header>.
- navigation bar: <nav>.
- main content: <main>,
- Main content can be organized into subsections by
 - <article>, and
 - <section>
- sidebar: <aside>; often placed inside <main>.
- footer: <footer>.





ARIA



- The Web Accessibility Initiative's Accessible Rich Internet Applications specification (WAI-ARIA)
- ARIA provides additional information to assistive technologies about the roles, properties and states of elements.



Example



```
<button aria-expanded="false" onclick="toggleCollapsible()">
    Toggle Section
    </button>
    <div class="content" aria-hidden="true">
         This is the content of the collapsible section.
    </div>
```



Testing for accessibility



- Keyboard only: Check if you can access all parts of your website while only using the keyboard
- Screen reader: Download a screen reader or use the built in one for your
 OS and view your website through it.
- Magnification: Enlarge your font to 200%.
- Checklists: There are many accessibility checklists available to check your designs and HTML against, based on the WCAG guidelines.
 - WebAIM (http://webaim.org/standards/wcag/checklist/)
- WAVE: WebAIM also provides the WAVE extension for Chrome and Firefox, which checks accessibility automatically



Self Reading



https://testsigma.com/tools/accessibility-testing-tools/

Thank You!

