

# DT228/2 Web Development

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## Basic PHP 3

# Associative Arrays

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- Like Python Dictionaries - but more powerful
- PHP Arrays have all the benefits of Python Dictionaries but they can also maintain the order of the items in the array
- Can be key => value or simply indexed by numbers
- Ignore two-dimensional arrays for now..

# Integer Indices

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```
<?php
    $stuff = array("Hi", "There");
    echo $stuff[1] , "\n";
?>
```

There

# Key / Value

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```
<?php
    $stuff = array("name" => "Liu",
                   "course" => "DT228");
    echo $stuff["course"] , "\n";
?>
```

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# Dumping an Array

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- The function `print_r()` dumps out PHP data - it is used mostly for debugging

```
<?php
    $stuff = array("name" => "Liu",
                   "course" => "DT228");
    print_r($stuff);
?>
```

```
Array
(
    [name] => Liu
    [course] => DT228
)
```

# Building up an Array

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- You can allocate a new item in the array and add a value at the same time using empty square braces [] on the right hand side of an assignment statement

```
$va = array();  
$va[] = "Hello";  
$va[] = "World";  
print_r($va);
```

```
Array  
(  
  [0] => Hello  
  [1] => World  
)
```

# Building up an Array

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- You can also add new items in an array using a key as well

```
$za = array();  
$za["name"] = "Liu";  
$za["course"] = "DT228";  
print_r($za);
```

```
Array  
(  
  [name] => Liu  
  [course] => DT228  
)
```

# Looping Through an Array

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```
<?php
    $stuff = array("name" => "Liu",
                   "course" => "DT228");
    Foreach ($stuff as $k => $v ) {
        echo "Key=", $k, " Val=", $v, "\n";
    }
?>
```

Key=name Val=Liu  
Key=course Val=DT228



# Arrays of Arrays

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The elements of an array can be many things other than a string or integer. You can even have objects or other arrays.

```
$products = array(  
    'paper' => array(  
        'copier' => "Copier & Multipurpose",  
        'inkjet' => "Inkjet Printer",  
        'laser' => "Laser Printer",  
        'photo' => "Photographic Paper"),  
    'pens' => array(  
        'ball' => "Ball Point",  
        'hilite' => "Highlighters",  
        'marker' => "Markers"),  
    'misc' => array(  
        'tape' => "Sticky Tape",  
        'glue' => "Adhesives",  
        'clips' => "Paperclips")  
);
```

```
echo $products["paper"]["copier"];
```

Copier & Multipurpose

# Array Functions



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the PHP Array Functions Manual. The browser's address bar shows the URL `http://php.net/manual/en/ref.array.php`. The page header includes the PHP logo and navigation links such as 'downloads', 'documentation', 'faq', 'getting help', 'mailing lists', 'licenses', 'wiki', 'reporting bugs', 'php.net sites', 'links', 'conferences', and 'my php.net'. A search bar is present with the text 'search for' and 'In the function list'. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with links to 'PHP Manual', 'Function Reference', 'Variable and Type Related Extensions', and 'Arrays'. The 'Arrays' section is expanded, showing a list of topics including 'Introduction', 'Installing/Configuring', 'Predefined Constants', 'Sorting Arrays', and 'Array Functions'. The main content area is titled 'Array Functions' and includes a 'See Also' section with links to `is_array()`, `explode()`, `implode()`, `split()`, `preg_split()`, and `unset()`. Below this is a 'Table of Contents' section listing various array functions with brief descriptions: `array_change_key_case` (Changes all keys in an array), `array_chunk` (Split an array into chunks), `array_combine` (Creates an array by using one array for keys and another for its values), `array_count_values` (Counts all the values of an array), `array_diff_assoc` (Computes the difference of arrays with additional index check), `array_diff_key` (Computes the difference of arrays using keys for comparison), `array_diff_uassoc` (Computes the difference of arrays with additional index check which is performed by a user supplied callback function), and `array_diff_ukey` (Computes the difference of arrays using a callback function on the keys).

PHP: Array Functions – Manual

http://php.net/manual/en/ref.array.php

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## Array Functions

### See Also

See also [is\\_array\(\)](#), [explode\(\)](#), [implode\(\)](#), [split\(\)](#), [preg\\_split\(\)](#), and [unset\(\)](#).

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# Array Functions

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- `count($ar)` - How many elements in an array
- `is_array($ar)` - Returns TRUE if a variable is an array
- `sort($ar)` - Sorts the array values (loses key)
- `ksort($ar)` - Sorts the array by key
- `asort($ar)` - Sorts array by value, keeping key association
- `shuffle($ar)` - Shuffles the array into random order

# Array Functions

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```
$za = array();  
$za["name"] = "Liu";  
$za["course"] = "DT228";  
print "Count: " count($za) "\n";  
if ( is_array($za) ) {  
    echo '$za Is an array' . "\n";  
} else {  
    echo '$za Is not an array' . "\n";}  
$zb = "123";  
echo is_array($zb) ? '$zb Is an array' : '$zb Is not an array';  
echo "\n";
```

Count: 2  
\$za Is an array  
\$zb Is not an array

# Array Functions

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```
$za = array();  
$za["name"] = "Liu";  
$za["course"] = "DT228";  
$za["topic"] = "PHP";  
print_r($za);  
sort($za);  
print_r($za);
```

```
Array  
(  
    [name] => Liu  
    [course] => DT228  
    [topic] => PHP  
)  
Array  
(  
    [0] => DT228  
    [1] => Liu  
    [2] => PHP  
)
```

# Arrays and Strings

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```
$inp = "This is a sentence with seven words";  
$temp = explode(' ', $inp);  
print_r($temp);
```

```
Array  
(  
[0] => This  
[1] => is  
[2] => a  
[3] => sentence  
[4] => with  
[5] => seven  
[6] => words  
)
```

# Summery

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- PHP arrays are a very powerful associative array as they can be indexed by integers like a list, or use keys to look values up like a hash map or dictionary
- There are many options for sorting
- We can use `explode()` to split a string into an array of strings

# Miscellaneous Useful Stuff

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- String formatting
- Date Functions
- File Handling



# String Formatting

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- Most languages inspired by C have a feature similar to C's `printf()` function that gives a high level of control over formatted output when variables are converted to strings

```
$x = 1.0 / 3.0;  
echo "x = $x\n";  
printf ("x = %5.2f\n", $x);
```

```
x = 0.33333333333333  
x = 0.33
```

# String Formatting

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```
$x = 1.0 / 3.0;  
echo "x = $x\n";  
printf("x = %5.2f\n", $x);  
printf("x = %08.4f\n", $x);  
$y = 120;  
$z = 1;  
$a = 1000;  
printf("%8d\n", $y);  
printf("%8d\n", $z);  
printf("%8d\n", $a);
```

```
x = 0.33333333333333  
x = 0.33  
x = 000.3333  
120  
1  
1000
```

# String Formatting

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```
$x = 1.0 / 3.0;  
echo "x = $x\n";  
printf("x = %5.2f\n", $x);  
printf("x = %08.4f\n", $x);  
$y = 120;  
$z = 1;  
$a = 1000;  
printf("%8d\n", $y);  
printf("%8d\n", $z);  
printf("%8d\n", $a);
```

x = 0.33333333333333

x = 0.33

x = 000.3333

120

1

1000

# String Formatting

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```
printf ("x = % 5.2f \n", $x);
```

```
X = 0.33
```

# String Formatting

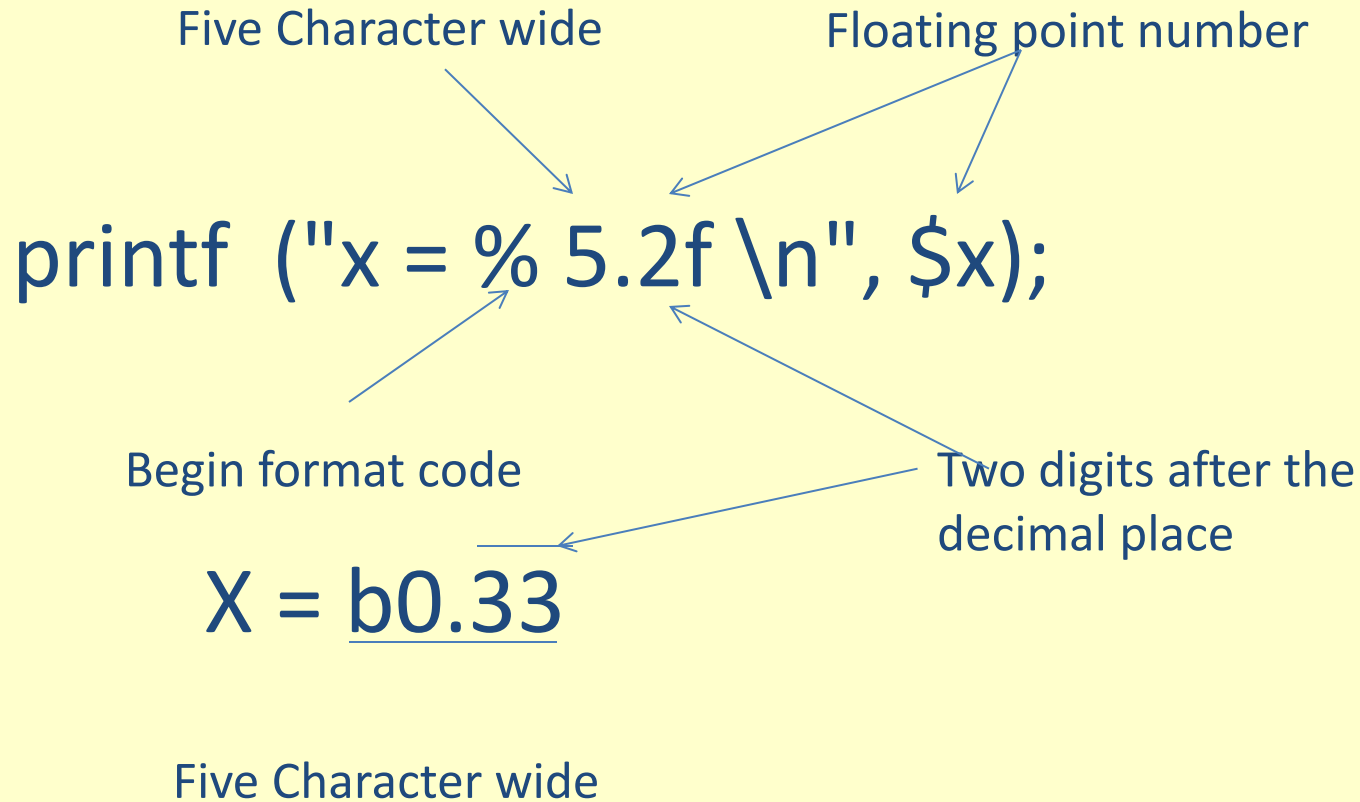
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```
printf ("x = % 5.2f \n", $x);
```

$X = 0.33$

# String Formatting

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# String Formatting

*Table 7-1. The printf conversion specifiers*

Specifier	Conversion action on argument arg	Example (for an arg of 123)
%	Display a % character (no arg is required)	%
b	Display arg as a binary integer	1111011
c	Display ASCII character for the arg	{
d	Display arg as a signed decimal integer	123
e	Display arg using scientific notation	1.23000e+2
f	Display arg as floating point	123.000000
o	Display arg as an octal integer	173
s	Display arg as a string	123
u	Display arg as an unsigned decimal	123
x	Display arg in lowercase hexadecimal	7b
X	Display arg in uppercase hexadecimal	7B

# Multiple Format Codes

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- The string can have multiple format codes and needs one argument after the format string for each of the codes

```
printf( "My name is %s. I'm %d years old, which is %X in hexadecimal\n"  
        , 'Simon', 33, 33 );
```

My name is Simon. I'm 33 years old, which is 21 in hexadecimal



# Formatted Print to a String

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- Often we want to format a string printf() style but instead, have the formatted result in a variable to put in a database field or send across a networks, etc.

```
$hexstring = sprintf("%X%X%X", 65, 127, 245);  
echo "Hex = " . $hexstring . "\n";
```

```
Hex = 417FF5
```

# Date and Time

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- Time is an integer number of seconds since January 1, 1970
  - Can do relative computations by adding a number of seconds
  - There might be a problem around 2038.....
- The `date()` function is used to produce various string-formatted representations of the date

# Date and Time

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```
echo "Time = " . time() . "\n";  
$nextWeek = time() + (7 * 24 * 60 * 60);  
// 7 days; 24 hours; 60 mins; 60secs  
echo 'Now: ' . date('Y-m-d') . "\n";  
echo 'Next Week: ' . date('Y-m-d', $nextWeek) . "\n";
```

```
Time = 1382530436  
Now: 2014-10-23  
Next Week: 2014-10-30
```

# Date and Time

Format	Description	Returned value		
<b>Day specifiers</b>				
d	Day of month, 2 digits, with leading zeros	01 to 31		
D	Day of the week, three letters	Mon to Sun		
j	Day of the month, no leading zeros	1 to 31	<b>Year specifiers</b>	
l	Day of week, full names	Sunday to Saturday	L	Leap year 1 = Yes, 0 = No
N	Day of week, numeric, Monday to Sunday	1 to 7	Y	Year, 4 digits 0000 to 9999
S	Suffix for day of month (useful with specifier j)	st, nd, rd, or th	y	Year, 2 digits 00 to 99
w	Day of week, numeric, Sunday to Saturday	0 to 6	<b>Time specifiers</b>	
z	Day of year	0 to 365	a	Before or after midday, lowercase am or pm
<b>Week specifier</b>			A	Before or after midday, uppercase AM or PM
W	Week number of year	1 to 52	g	Hour of day, 12-hour format, no leading zeros 1 to 12
<b>Month specifiers</b>			G	Hour of day, 24-hour format, no leading zeros 1 to 24
F	Month name	January to December	h	Hour of day, 12-hour format, with leading zeros 01 to 12
m	Month number with leading zeros	01 to 12	H	Hour of day, 24-hour format, with leading zeros 01 to 24
M	Month name, three letters	Jan to Dec	i	Minutes, with leading zeros 00 to 59
n	Month number, no leading zeros	1 to 12	s	Seconds, with leading zeros 00 to 59
t	Number of days in given month	28, 29, 30 or 31		

# Date Formats

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- Different Web protocols need different date formats
- ISO8601 is a popular format because it is simple and in UTC / GMT

```
echo "ISO 8601 = " . gmDate("Y-m-d\TH:i:s\Z") . "\n";
```

```
ISO 8601 = 2013-10-23T12:51:59Z
```

# Reading and Writing Files

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## Checking for Existence

```
if (file_exists("names.txt")) echo "names.txt exists\n";
```

```
names.txt exists
```

# Reading and Writing Files

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Modes	Description
r	Read only. Starts at the beginning of the file
r+	Read/Write. Starts at the beginning of the file
w	Write only. Opens and clears the contents of file; or creates a new file if it doesn't exist
w+	Read/Write. Opens and clears the contents of file; or creates a new file if it doesn't exist
a	Append. Opens and writes to the end of the file or creates a new file if it doesn't exist
a+	Read/Append. Preserves file content by writing to the end of the file
x	Write only. Creates a new file. Returns FALSE and an error if file already exists
x+	Read/Write. Creates a new file. Returns FALSE and an error if file already exists

**Note:** If the `fopen()` function is unable to open the specified file, it returns 0 (false).

# Reading all the lines in a file..

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```
$file = fopen("names.txt", "r") or exit("Unable to open file!");  
//Output a line of the file until the end is reached  
while(!feof($file))  
{  
    echo fgets($file). "<br>";  
}  
fclose($file);
```

```
# First, last, email, age  
Granny,Smith,gsmith@dit.ie,29  
Mariela,Bischoff,mb@dit.ie,29  
Harry,Spitz,hs@dit.ie,29  
Roni Callaghan,rc@dit.ie,29  
Latanya,Hosmer,lh@dit.ie,29  
Tyson,Bortz,tb@dit.ie,29  
Charity,Sato,cs@dit.ie,29  
Jaymie,Valencia,jv@dit.ie,29  
Una,Mcalister,um@dit.ie,29  
Adella,Gries,ag@dit.ie,29  
Cathleen,Mclaughlin,cm@dit.ie,29
```



# Reading a File Character by Character

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```
$file=fopen("names.txt","r") or exit("Unable to open file!");  
while (!feof($file))  
{  
    echo fgetc($file);  
}  
fclose($file);
```

# Creates a New File

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- Opens and clears the contents of file; or creates a new file if it doesn't exist

```
<html>
```

```
<body>
```

```
<?php
```

```
$file=fopen("welcome.txt","w");
```

```
?>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

# Write to a File

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- To insert text without over-writing the beginning of the file, you'll have to open it for appending (a+ rather than r+)

```
$file=fopen("welcome.txt","a+") or exit("Unable to open file!");
```

```
if ($_POST["lastname"] <> "")  
{  
    fwrite($file,$_POST["lastname"]."\n");  
}
```

```
fclose($file);
```