week9

Hello, PHP!

You've seen PHP in the server pset

```
1 ≤!DOCTYPE html≥
3 <html>
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      <head>
 5
           <title>hello</title>
 6
      </head>
7
      <body>
           <form_action="hello_nhp" method="get">
                input name="name" placeholder="Name" type="text"/>
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10
                Imput type= submit" value="Say Hello"/>
11
           </form>
12
      </body>
13 </html>
```

What is PHP?

- PHP is a Hypertext Processor
- Server side <u>scripting</u> language
 - PHP is a programming language (unlike HTML, CSS – this sometimes shows up on the quiz)
- Can be combined with HTML
- Allows us to create dynamic webpages

- Declaring variables
 - No types (boooo) PHP is dynamically typed
 - \$var = 3;

- Array can be associative key-value pairs
 - You can think of arrays as actually hash tables or dictionaries (you might hear both terms)
 - \$my_array = ["key1" => "value1", "key2" => "value2"];
 - \$my_array["key1"];
 - But, you can still use arrays "normally" like in C
 - $my_array = [1, 2, 3];$
 - \$my array[0];

- == vs === (huh?)
 - == converts types and then checks equality
 - === checks equality and same type
 - So 1 == "1" is true, but 1 === "1" is FALSE

- foreach loops
 - Great way to iterate over arrays

```
foreach ($array2 as $value) {
    // do something
}

foreach ($array as $key => $value) {
    // do something else
}
```

Two ways to pass info between PHP and HTML

- GET
 - Information passed via the URL
 - example: ?name=Ezra
- POST
 - Passes data in the HTTP request body
 - This is "hidden", but NOT secure

Example

```
<form action="action.php" method="post">
  Your name: <input type="text" name="name" />
  Your age: <input type="text" name="age" />
  <input type="submit" />
  </form>
```

```
Hi <?php echo htmlspecialchars($_POST['name']); ?>.
You are <?php echo (int)$_POST['age']; ?> years old.
```

SQL Queries

- SELECT
 - Select values
- INSERT INTO
 - Insert new values into your table
- UPDATE
 - Update existing rows
- DELETE
 - Delete rows from table

SQL Example!

http://sqlfiddle.com/#!9/e7a78e/2

SQL Resources:

- http://sqlbolt.com/ (don't need to do JOINS or aggregates)
- http://www.w3schools.com/sql/
- This video that I made last year... https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WzSjTlra1yA (watch in HD so you can actually read the text on my whiteboard)

MVC Controller **View** Model **Presentation Templates Database** Layout

Model-View-Controller

MVC

COMPONENT	FUNCTION	EXAMPLE
Model	Persistent storage of informationManaging and organizing data	- MySQL database - Data files
View	Presentation of information to userUser interface	- HTML - Minimal PHP (e.g., for iterating over data to print it out)
Controller	- Handles user requests, gets information from the model	- PHP

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```
$result = query("SELECT * FROM some table");
if ($result !== false)
{
       foreach ($result as &$row)
              /* process row of result */
       }
   render("some template", array("data" => $result));
}
else
       apologize("Error communicating with database.");
```

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some_template.php:

```
    <!php foreach($data as $row): ?>
        <!i><!= $row["name"] ?>
    <!php endforeach ?>
```