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HYPERTEXT MARKUP LANGUAGE

Is not a programming language.

Syntax:

<tag>

<tag attribute="value">Text</tag>



<tag attribute='value'>Text</tag>

<tag attributeA="value" attributeB="value">Text</tag>



<tag attributeB="value" attributeA="value">Text</tag>



VERSIONS



HTML 5.2 Specification: https://www.w3.org/TR/html52/



XHTML VS HTML

XHTML is stricter \rightarrow less mistakes by programmers.

- XHTML needs to be valid XML.
 - <tag> is not allowed; must close tag, e.g.: <tag />
 - <tag attribute=value> is not allowed; must use single/double quotes.
 - Tags must be closed in right order. Wrong: <i>Word</i>
- Tag & attribute names must be lowercase in XHTML.



HELLO WORLD

HTML 5 doctype.

Meta data (data about the data)

Actual data

```
•<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Hello World Example</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>Hello World!</h1>
    Hello World in HTML.
  </body>
</html>
```



SOME <HEAD> ELEMENTS

<title>Hogwarts</title> • •

•

Tabs, bookmarks.

<meta charset="UTF-8">

<meta name="author" content="Helga Hufflepuff">

<meta name="description" content="Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry">

<meta name="keywords" content="magic, quidditch, school">

Search engines!

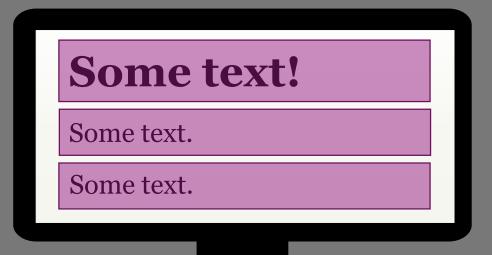
Check it out: https://ju.se/en.html



- Block elements span the entire row.
- Inline elements span as little as possible (surrounds the text).

```
<h1>Some text!</h1>
Some text.
Some text.
```

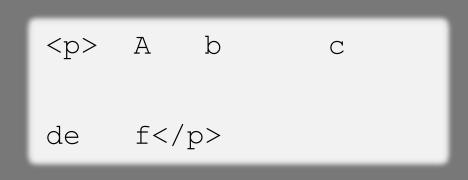


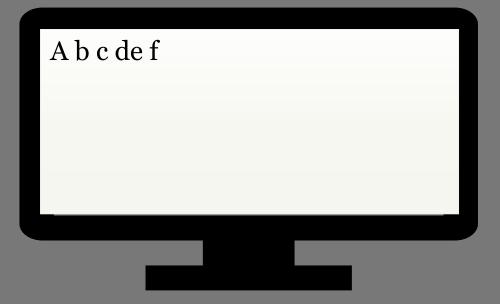


<h1>Some text</h1>Some text.Some text.



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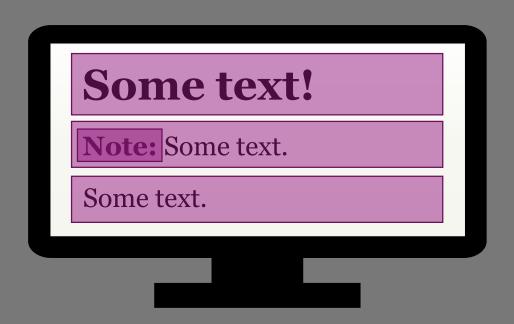


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```
<h1>Some text</h1>

<strong>Note:</strong>
Some text.

Some text.
```





How can they be nested?

General rule 1:

• Block elements can not be used in inline elements.

General rule 2:

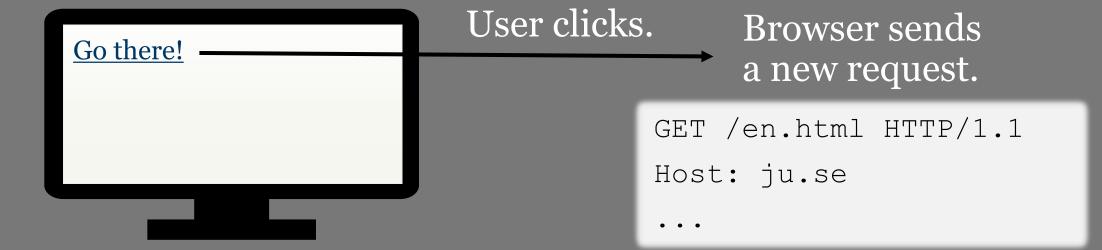
- Do not write code that does not make sense.
 - E.g. putting a paragraph inside another paragraph.



HYPER LINKS

Go there!

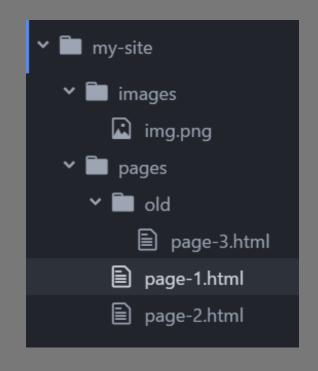
Browser renders.



RELATIVE PATHS

In file /my-site/pages/page-1.html:

- page-2.html
 - → /my-site/pages/page-2.html
- old/page-3.html
 - → /my-site/pages/old/page-3.html
- ../images/img.png
 - → /my-site/images/img.png



. . / can be written multiple times to go back multiple folders.



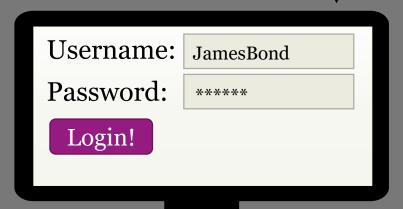
EXAMPLE

Example of a website with multiple webpages.



FORMS

Browser renders.



```
GET /login?un=JamesBond&pw=missMP HTTP/1.1
Host: www.mi6.com
```

User submits.



THE QUERY STRING

URIs can contain additional information in the query string.

/path/to/resource?THIS-IS-THE-QUERY-STRING

Query strings are written like this:

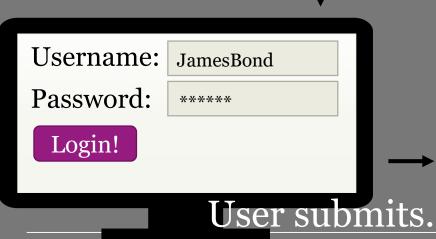
```
name1=value1
name1=value1&name2=value2
```

Reserved characters (; / ? : @ = &) and some special characters (space " < > # % { } | \ ^ ~ [] `) should be encoded.



FORMS

Browser renders.



```
POST /login HTTP/1.1
```

Host: www.mi6.com

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Content-Length: 22

. . .

un=JamesBond&pw=missMP

MORE ELEMENTS...

Open a special webpage in web browser...

STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS

```
<header> - the header part in the page.
<main>
            - the main content in the page.
<footer> - the footer in the page.
<aside> - not the main content, but still relevant.
            - navigation links.
<nav>
<article> - to group the content of an article together.
<section> - group relevant content together.
            - to group elements together.
<div>
<div> is an old element, the others are new in HTML5.
```



GLOBAL ATTRIBUTES

Attributes any element can have.

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTML/Global_attributes

- lang
 - Specify the language the text is written in inside the element.
 - ISO Language Codes: http://www.w3schools.com/tags/ref language codes.asp
 - ISO Country Codes: http://www.w3schools.com/tags/ref_country_codes.asp
- title
 - Advisory information about the element.
- class
 - Used to group similar elements together (used by CSS and JavaScript).
- id



CHARACTER ENTITIES

- < and > denote tags.
- What about smileys? :-< >.< >.>
 - &NAME; alternative representation.
 - < > <
 - > >
- What about &?
 - & → &

USEFUL TOOLS

https://validator.w3.org

• Validates your HTML code.

https://jsfiddle.net

- Write code online in a web browser.
- See the result.
- Share your code.

