PHP stands for hypertext processor. PHP is a “widely-used open-source general-purpose scripting language that is especially suited for web development and can be embedded into HTML”. PHP is used to save information on a webpage that allows for my intricate web page design. JS CSS and other coding languages are used as visual aids on the client side of a website to make it visually appealing, making those tools client-side scripting languages. On the other hand, PHP is what information professionals refer to as a server-side scripting language. This means the processing of this portion of the website is handled by the server the website is connected to. This allows for memory information to be saved to a database, which makes it possible for websites to host surveys or login credentials for several different sites. PHP is also used for command line scripting in nix or Linux or Windows’s Task Scheduler so it can be used without being connected to a server to run scripts that are regularly executed. PHP can also be used to write desktop applications, although this is not a conventional way for most programmers.

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