
Introduction to PHP (Server Side Script)

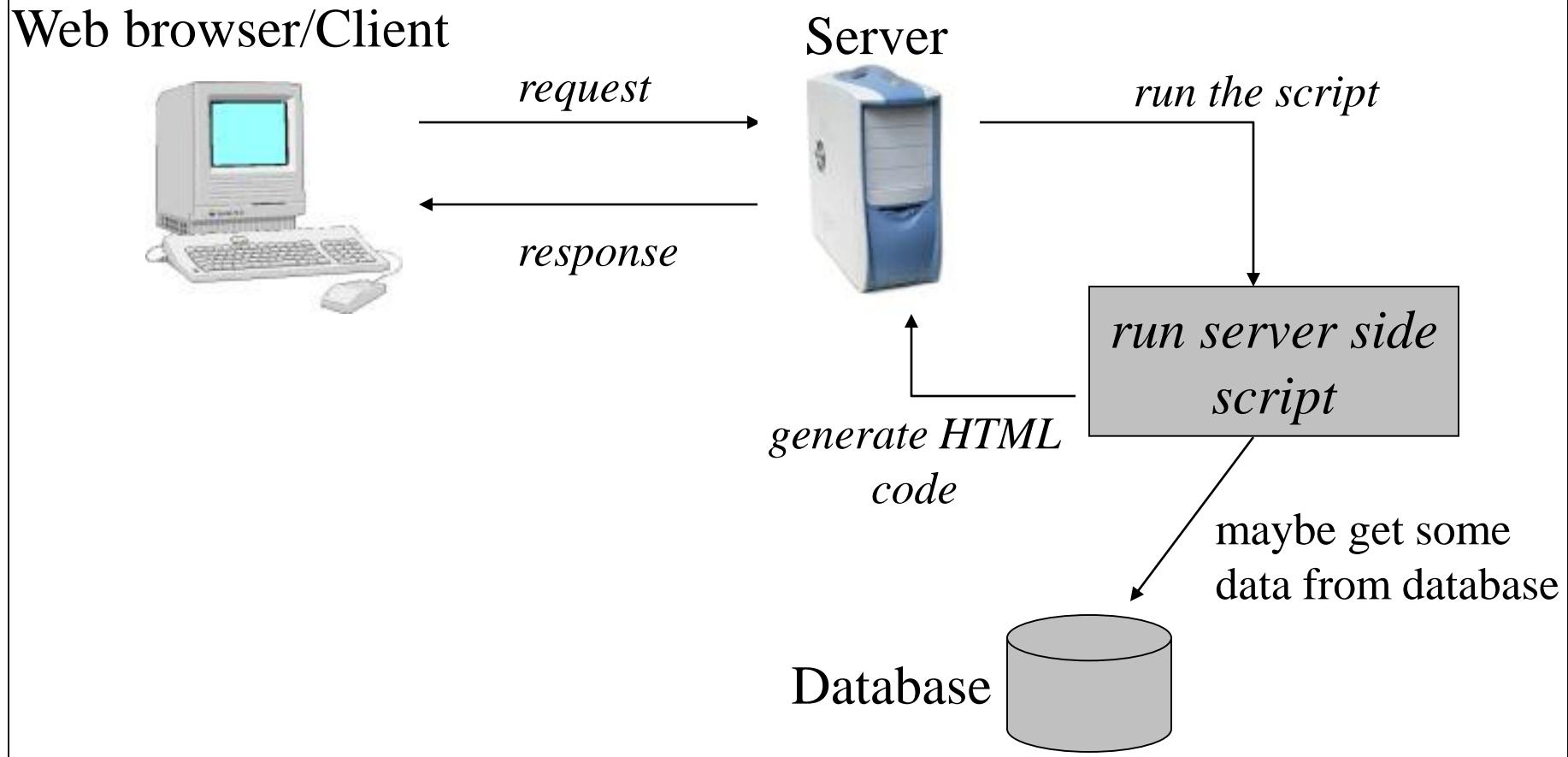
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Introduction to Server Side Script

- Script/code that executed on the server to generate responses for clients.
- Server side script capabilities:
 - allows creation of interactive dynamic websites
 - modifies HTML code on the server before sent to client
 - access databases
 - responds to user input.
- Lots of examples: PHP, ASP, ASP.Net, JSP, CGI

How Server Side Script Works



Introduction to PHP

- PHP : recursive acronym for "*PHP Hypertext Preprocessor*"
- Developed in 1995
- Widely-used Open Source scripting language that enables to create interactive web sites and can be embedded into HTML.
- PHP provides many great features:
 - free, easy to learn, fun to use, connects to most databases
 - provides many levels of security
 - available on most systems: Windows, Linux, Mac OS, etc
 - lots of built-in functions

Getting PHP to Work

- Three important components need to be installed on the computer system:
 - ✓ **Web server** – e.g. **Apache** (most widely used → free), IIS, PWS
 - ✓ **PHP software distribution** (parser)
 - Latest stable release is **PHP 5.5.19** and **5.6.3**
 - ✓ **Database** – e.g. **MySQL** (most popular RDBMS used over the Internet → free, fast, flawless), Oracle, Sybase

PHP Basic Syntax

- All PHP code must be included inside one of these three special markup tags:
- PHP files must be saved with a php extension, e.g.: .php, .php3 or .php4
- Every statement in PHP must be terminated with a semicolon (;)
- PHP is not generally case-sensitive
- Characters to indicate Comments:
 - // or # : single-line comment
 - /* *Here is an introduction to server side script code inside a multi-line comment* */ : multi-line comment

1. <?PHP code goes here ?>

```
<?php      PHP code goes here      ?>  
<script language="php"> PHP code goes here </script>
```

Example 1

- Save as exel.php

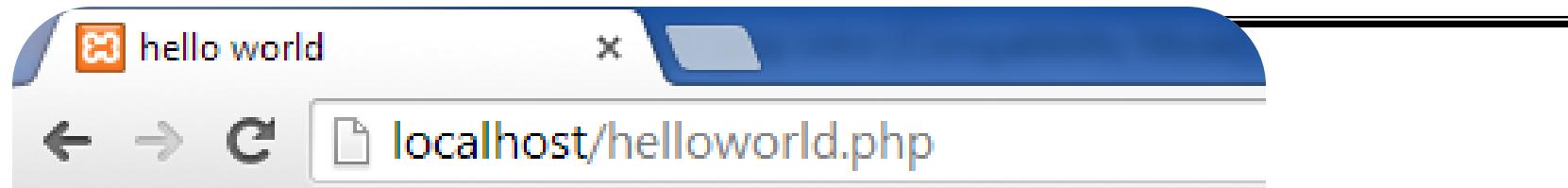
```
<html>
<head>

<title>hello world</title>
</head>

<body>
<p><?php echo "Assalamualaikum Class";<br/>?></p>
</body>

</html>
```

Output 1



Assalamualaikum Class

Variables and Data Types

- A variable contains a piece of data.
 - e.g.: number of records in a database, person's name,
- PHP is a “loosely typed” language.
 - a single variable may contain any type of data.
 - e.g.: a number (integer/floating point),
a string of text or Boolean values.
 - not need to declare a variable to be a specific data type
- All variables in PHP begin with a \$ (dollar sign).
- Variable names are case sensitive.

```
$name = "Ahmad"; // assign a string "Ahmad" to $name  
$x = 45; // assign an integer 45 to $x
```

VARIABLES IN PHP

PHP is a Loosely Typed Language

- ✖ In PHP, a variable does not need to be declared before adding a value to it.
- ✖ In the example above, you see that you do not have to tell PHP which data type the variable is.
- ✖ PHP automatically converts the variable to the correct data type, depending on its value.
- ✖ In a strongly typed programming language, you have to declare (define) the type and name of the variable before using it.
- ✖ In PHP, the variable is declared automatically when you use it.

VARIABLES IN PHP

Naming Rules for Variables

- ✖ A variable name must start with a letter or an underscore "_"
- ✖ A variable name can only contain alpha-numeric characters and underscores (a-z, A-Z, 0-9, and _)
- ✖ A variable name should not contain spaces. If a variable name is more than one word, it should be separated with an underscore (\$my_string), or with capitalization (\$myString)

Operators

- PHP supports several different types of operators that can be used in simple or complex expressions.

□ Arithmetic Operators

| Operator | Operation |
|----------|----------------|
| + | Addition |
| - | Subtraction |
| * | Multiplication |
| / | Division |
| % | Modulus |

Example 2

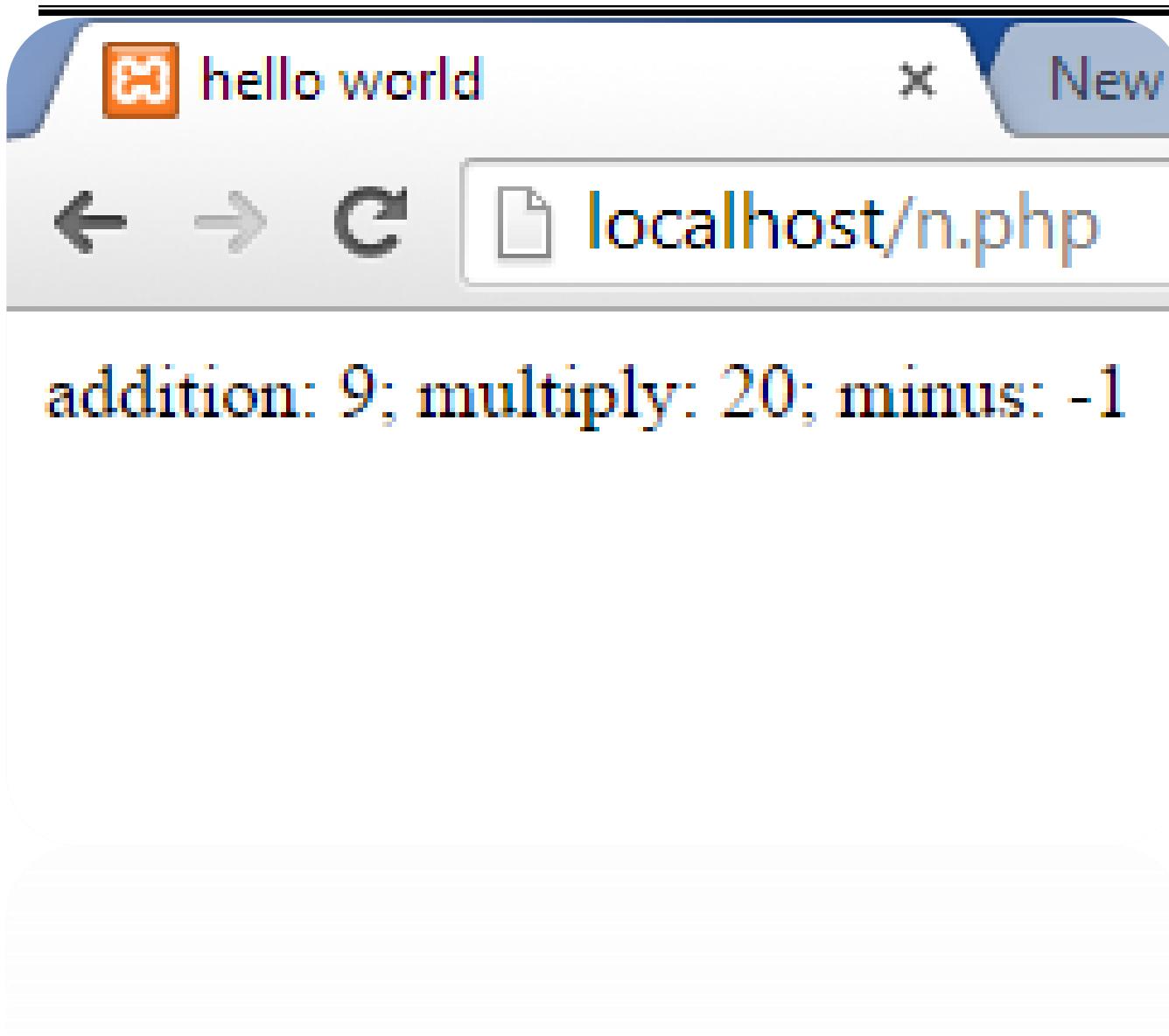
- Save as exe2.php

```
<?php
$x = 4;
$y = 5;

// Arithmetic operation
$a = $x + $y;
$b = $x * $y;
$c = $x - $y;

echo "addition: $a; multiply: $b; minus: $c";
?>
```

Output 2



Operators

□ Comparison Operators

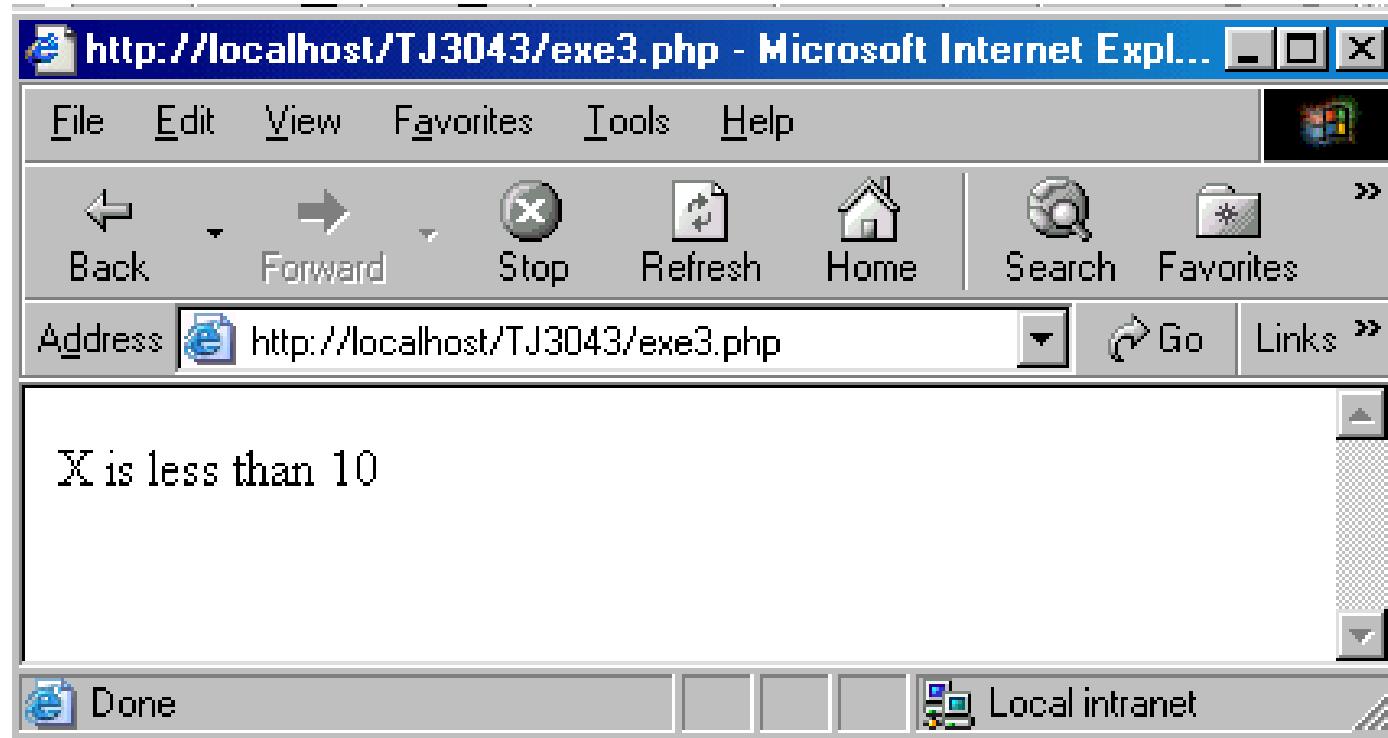
| Operator | Comparative Test |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| <code>==</code> | Equal to |
| <code>!=</code> | Not equal to |
| <code>></code> | Greater than |
| <code><</code> | Less than |
| <code>>=</code> | Greater than or equal to |
| <code><=</code> | Less than or equal to |

Example 3

- Save as exe3.php

```
<?php  
$x = 8;  
  
if ($x < 10)  
    echo "X is less than 10";  
else  
    echo "X is greater than 10";  
?>
```

Output 3



Operators

□ Logical Operators

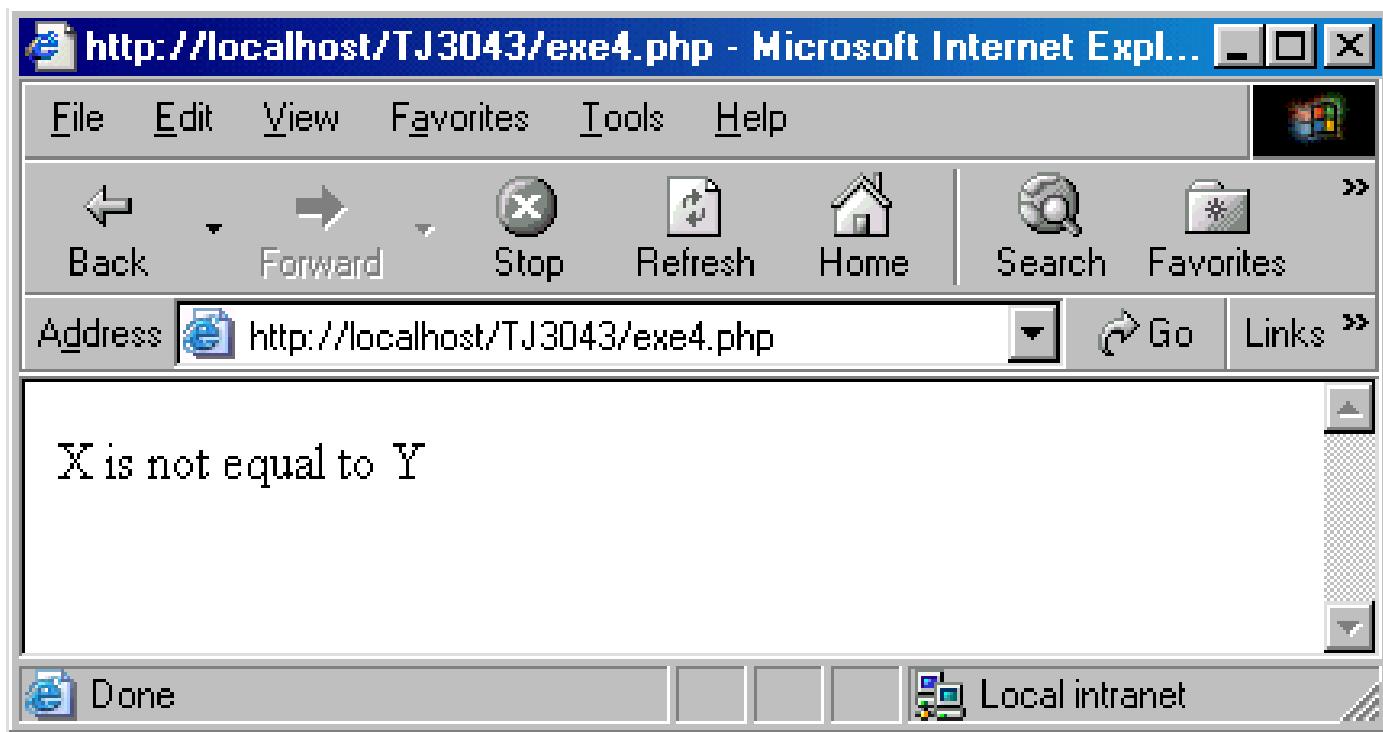
| Operator | Operation |
|----------|--------------|
| && | And |
| and | And |
| | Or |
| or | Or |
| ! | Not |
| Xor | Exclusive Or |

Example 4

- Save as exe4.php

```
<?php  
$x = 4;  
$y = 5;  
  
if ($x == 4 && $y == 4)  
    echo "X is equal to Y";  
else  
    echo "X is not equal to Y";  
?>
```

Output 4



Conditional Statements and Loops

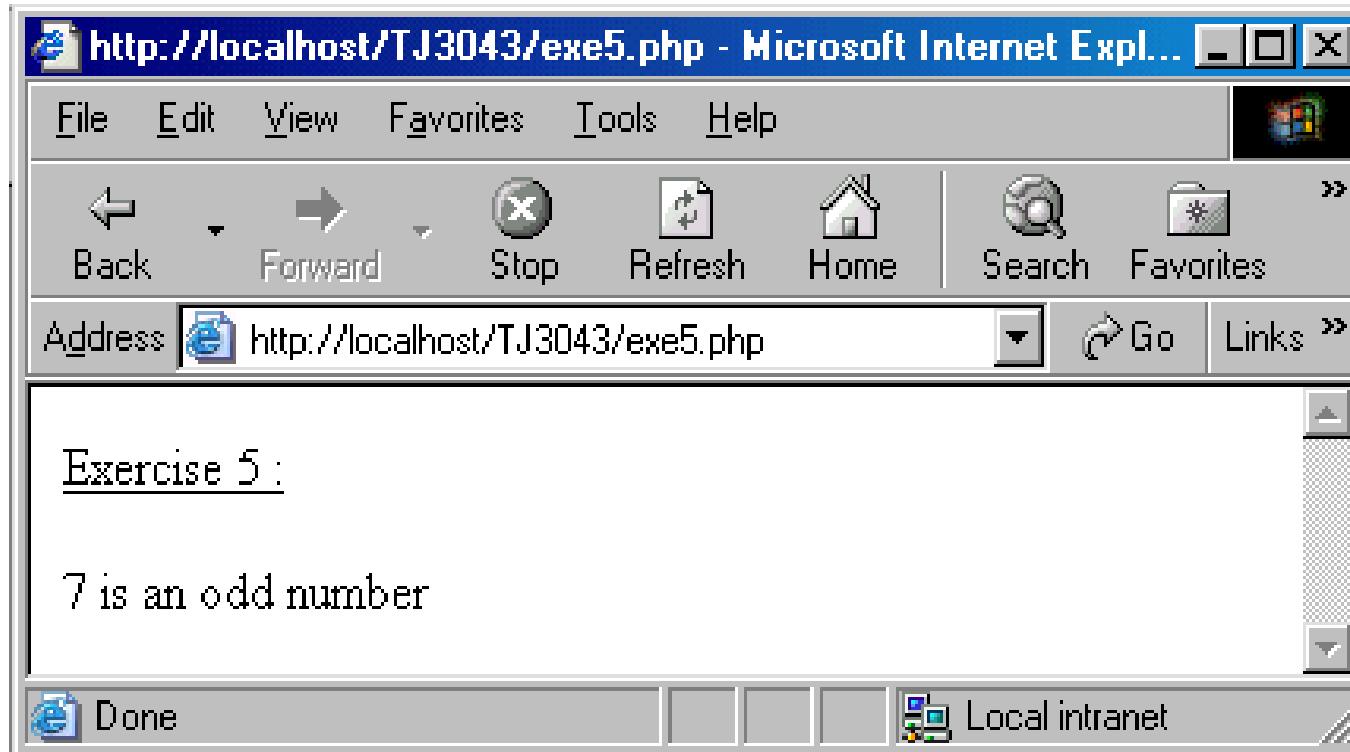
□ Conditional *if* statement

- + The statement following the evaluation will only be executed when the expression is true.
- + The code to be executed may contain multiple statements if they are enclosed in a pair of curly brackets to form a **statement block**.

• Save as exe5.php

```
<?php  
$num = 7;  
  
if ($num % 2 != 0)  
{  echo "<u> Exercise 5 : </u>";  
  echo "<p>";  
  echo "$num is an odd number";  }  
?>
```

Output 5



Conditional Statements and Loops

□ Conditional *if-else* and *elseif* statement

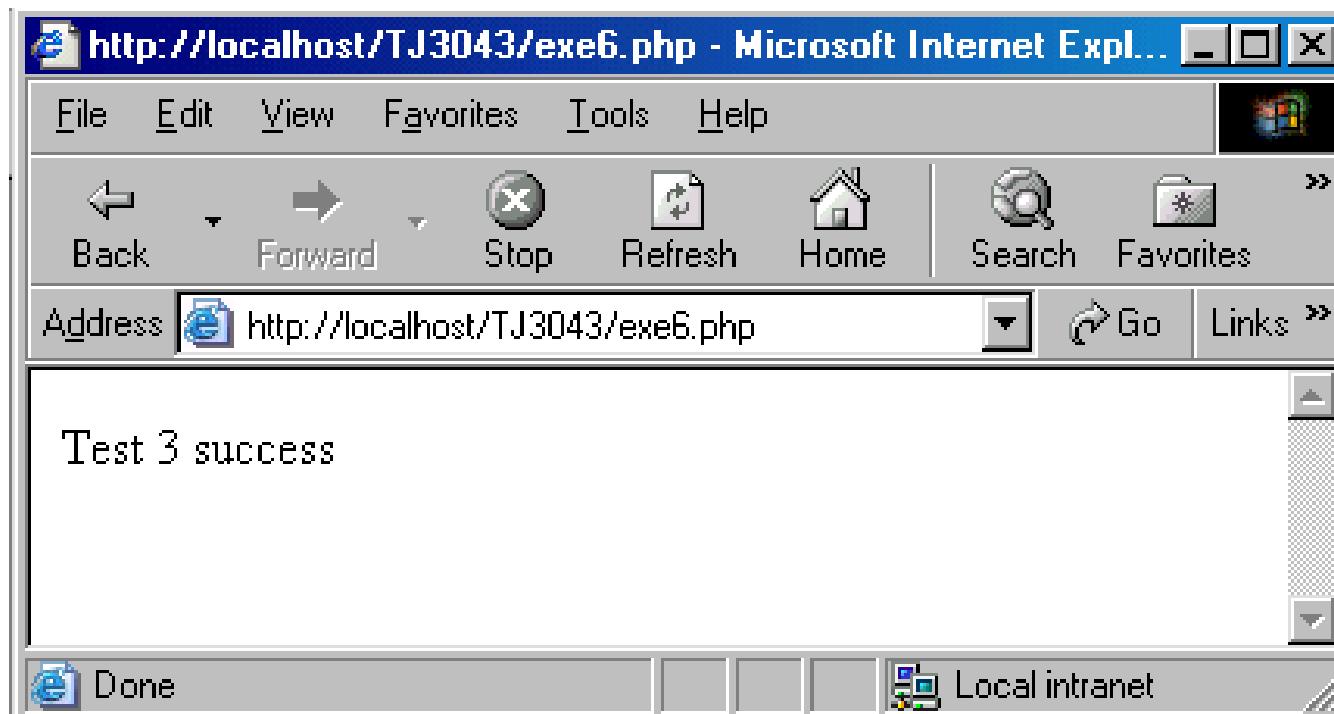
- ***else*** is used with an ***if*** statement to provide alternative code to execute in the event that the tested expression is found to be ***false***.

- Save as exe6.php

```
<?php
$num = 2;      $bool = false;

if ($num == 1 and $bool == true)
    echo "Test 1 success";
elseif ($num == 2 and $bool == true)
    echo "Test 2 success";
elseif ($num == 2 and $bool == false)
    echo "Test 3 success";
else
    echo "Test 4 success"; ?>
```

Output 6



Conditional Statements and Loops

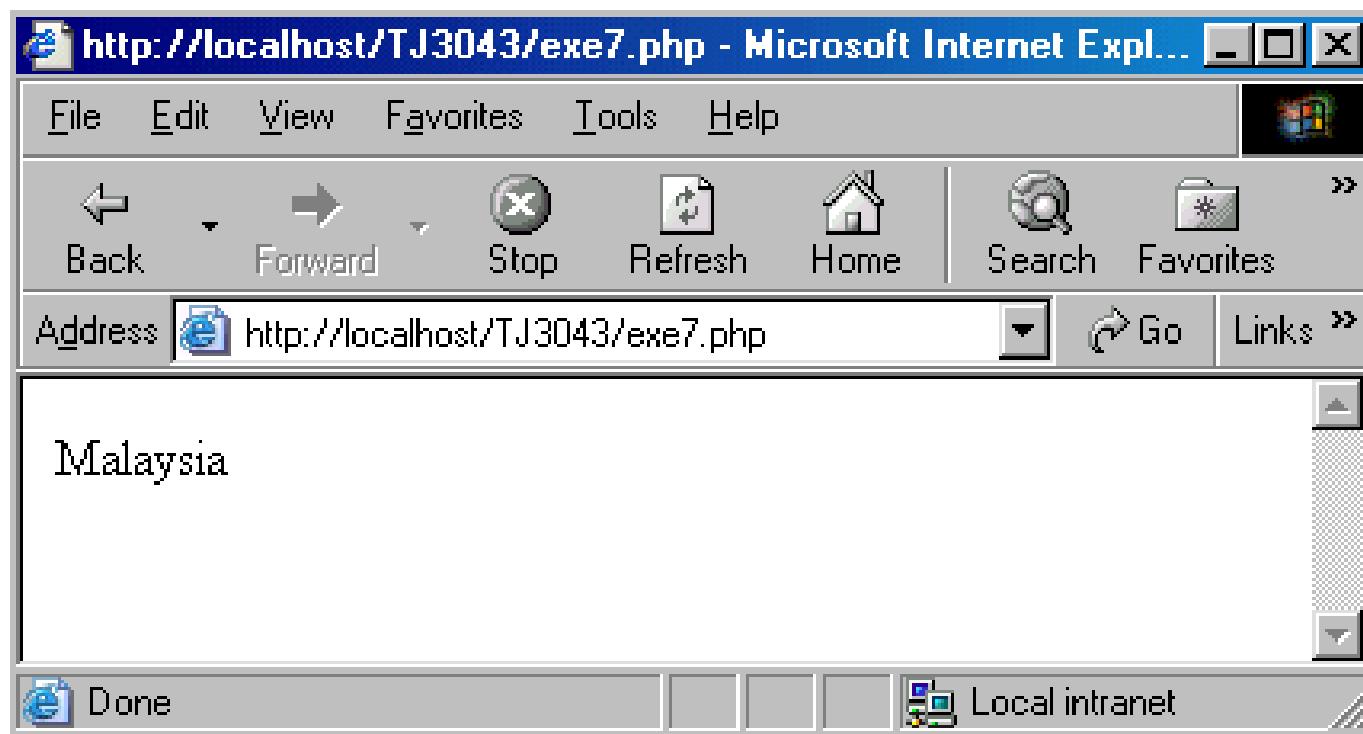
□ Switch statement

- The code associated with the matching label will be executed or, if none of the labels match, the statement will execute any specified default code.
- **case** keyword denote a label and the **default** keyword specify the default code
- All label code must be terminated by a **break** statement

• Save as exc7.php

```
<?php  
$country = "MY";  
  
switch($country)  
{  
    case "MY":  
        echo "Malaysia";  
        break;  
    case "TH":  
        echo "Thailand";  
        break;  
    default:  
        echo "no country"; } ?>
```

Output 7



Conditional Statements and Loops

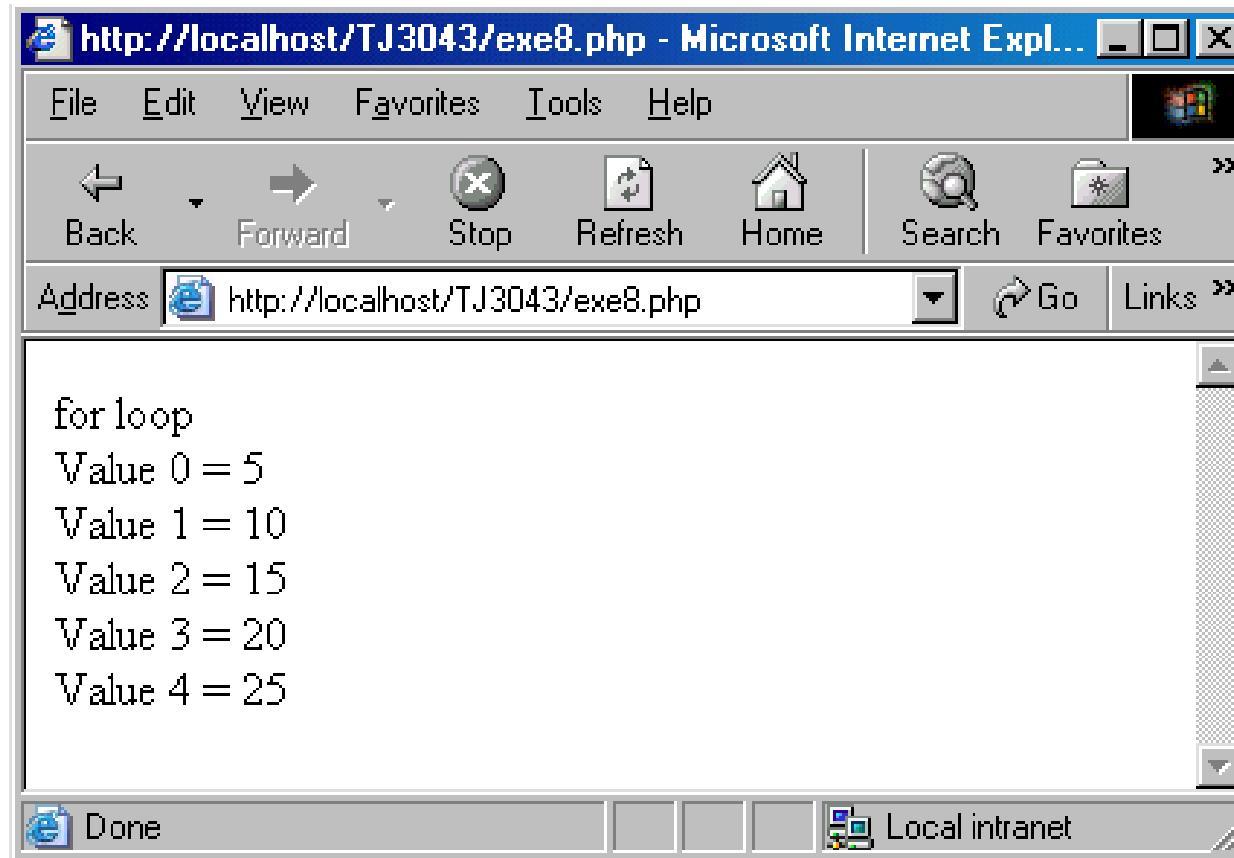
❑ For loop

- Most frequently used type of loop in PHP scripting

- Save as exe8.php

```
<?php  
$a = 0;  
echo "for loop <br>";  
  
for ($i=0; $i < 5; $i++)  
{  
    $a += 5;  
    echo "Value $i = $a <br>";  
}  
?>
```

Output 8



How for loop works?

| \$i | \$i++ | \$a | \$a+5 | \$i < 5 | Echo \$i = \$a |
|-----|-------|-----|-------|---------|----------------|
| 0 | | 0 | 5 | 0 < 5 | Value 0 = 5 |
| | 1 | | 10 | 1 < 5 | Value 1 = 10 |
| | 2 | | 15 | 2 < 5 | Value 2 = 15 |
| | 3 | | 20 | 3 < 5 | Value 3 = 20 |
| | 4 | | 25 | 4 < 5 | Value 4 = 25 |

```
<?php
$a = 0;
echo "for loop <br>";
for ($i=0; $i < 5; $i++)
{
    $a += 5;
    echo "Value $i = $a <br>";
}
```

Conditional Statements and Loops

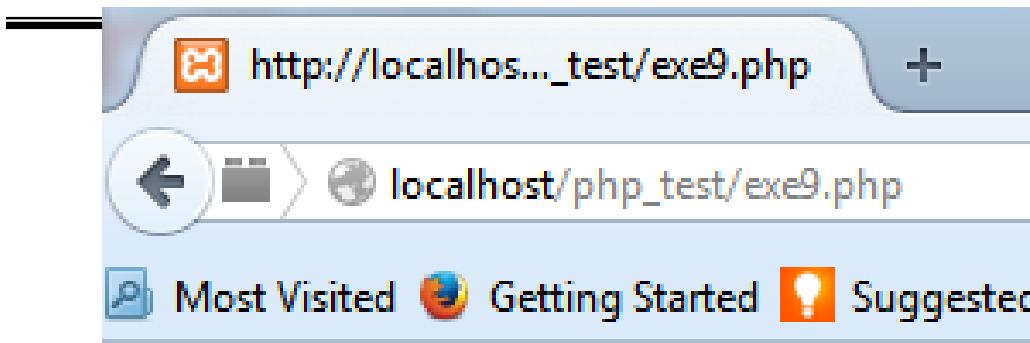
□ While loop

- *while* keyword followed by an expression to be evaluated for a Boolean value of *true* or *false*.

- Save as exe9.php

```
<?php
echo "while loop <br>";
$x = 0;
$a = 7;
while($x < 5 )
{
    echo "Value $a <br>";
    $x++;
    $a--;
}
echo "<p> Loop stopped at value $x of x";
?>
```

Output 9



while loop

Value 7

Value 6

Value 5

Value 4

Value 3

Loop stopped at value 5 of x

How while loop works?

| \$x | \$x++ | \$a | \$a-- | \$x < 5 | Echo \$a |
|-----|-------|-----|-------|---------|----------|
| 0 | | 7 | | 0 < 5 | Value 7 |
| | 1 | | 6 | 1 < 5 | Value 6 |
| | 2 | | 5 | 2 < 5 | Value 5 |
| | 3 | | 4 | 3 < 5 | Value 4 |
| | 4 | | 3 | 4 < 5 | Value 3 |

Conditional Statements and Loops

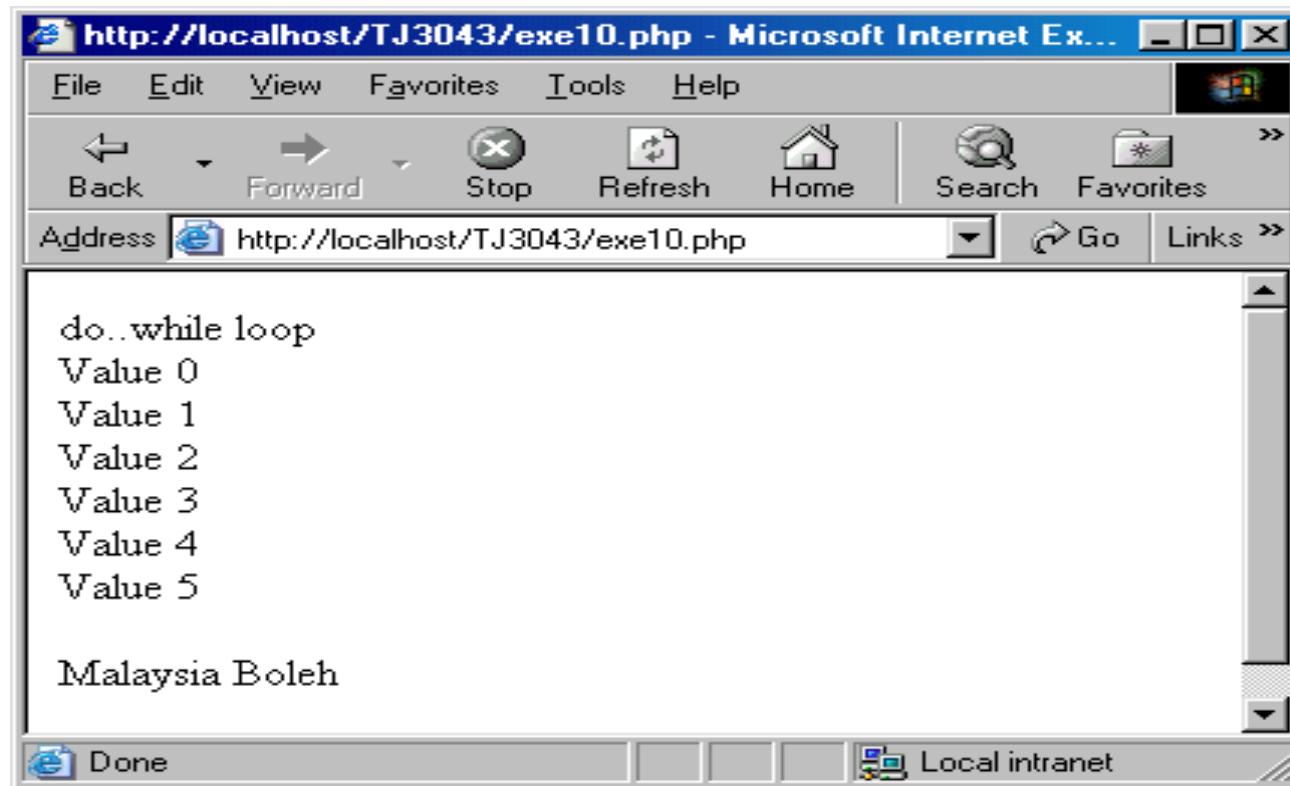
□ Do-while loop

- the loop runs at least once.
- once the expression evaluates as *false*, the loop stops executing.

- Save as exe10.php

```
<?php
echo "do..while loop <br>";
$i = 0;
do { echo "Value $i <br>" ;}
while ($i++ < 5);
echo "<p>";
echo "Malaysia Boleh <p>";
?>
```

Output 10



How do-while loop works?

| \$i | \$i++ | \$i < 5 | Echo \$i |
|-----|----------------|---------|----------|
| 0 | (do statement) | NA | Value 0 |
| | 0 | 0 < 5 | Value 1 |
| | 1 | 1 < 5 | Value 2 |
| | 2 | 2 < 5 | Value 3 |
| | 3 | 3 < 5 | Value 4 |
| | 4 | 4 < 5 | Value 5 |

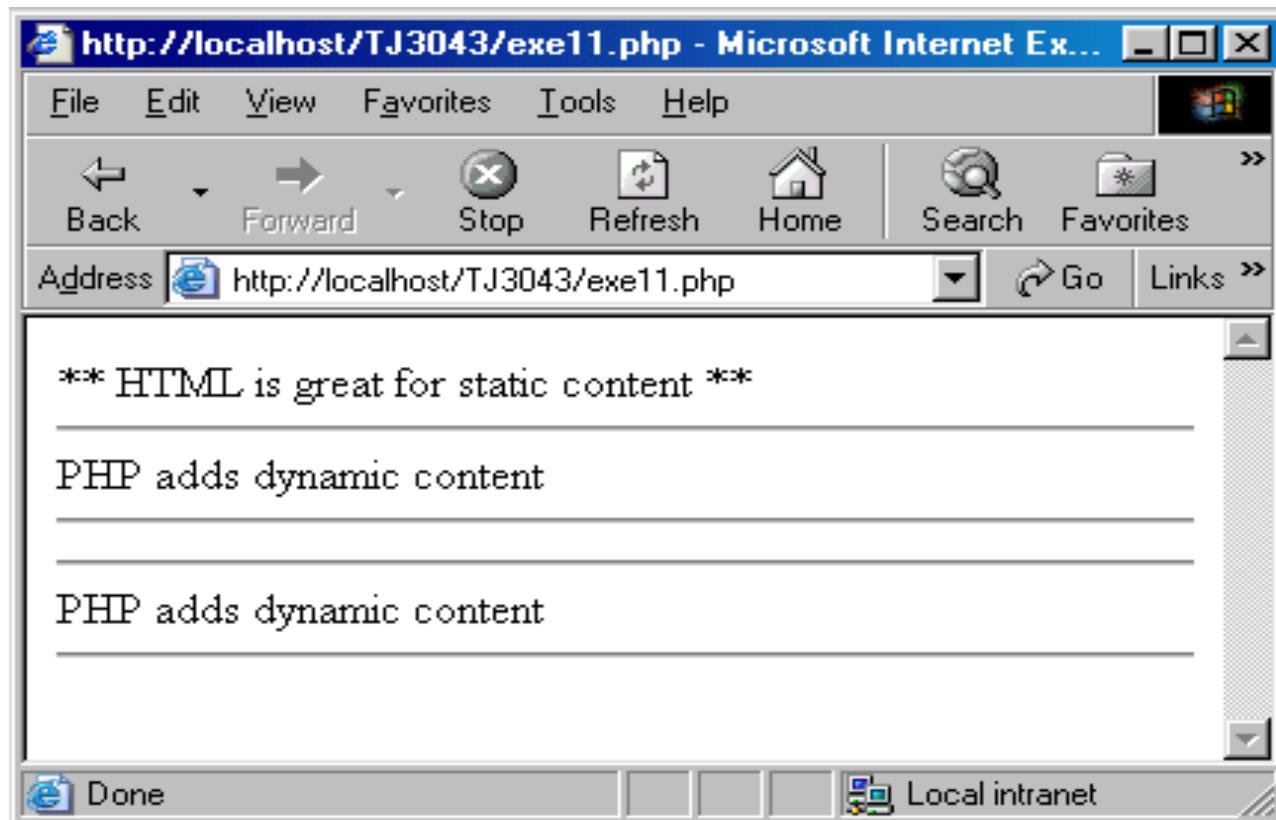
Functions

- A function is a piece of PHP code that perform a useful task, and usually return a value related to that task.
- It can be executed once or many times by the PHP script.

- Save as exel1.php

```
<?php
    function go()
    {
        echo "PHP adds dynamic content<hr>";
    }
echo "** HTML is great for static content **";
echo "<hr>";
go();
echo "<hr>";
go();    ?>
```

Output 11



Function Argument

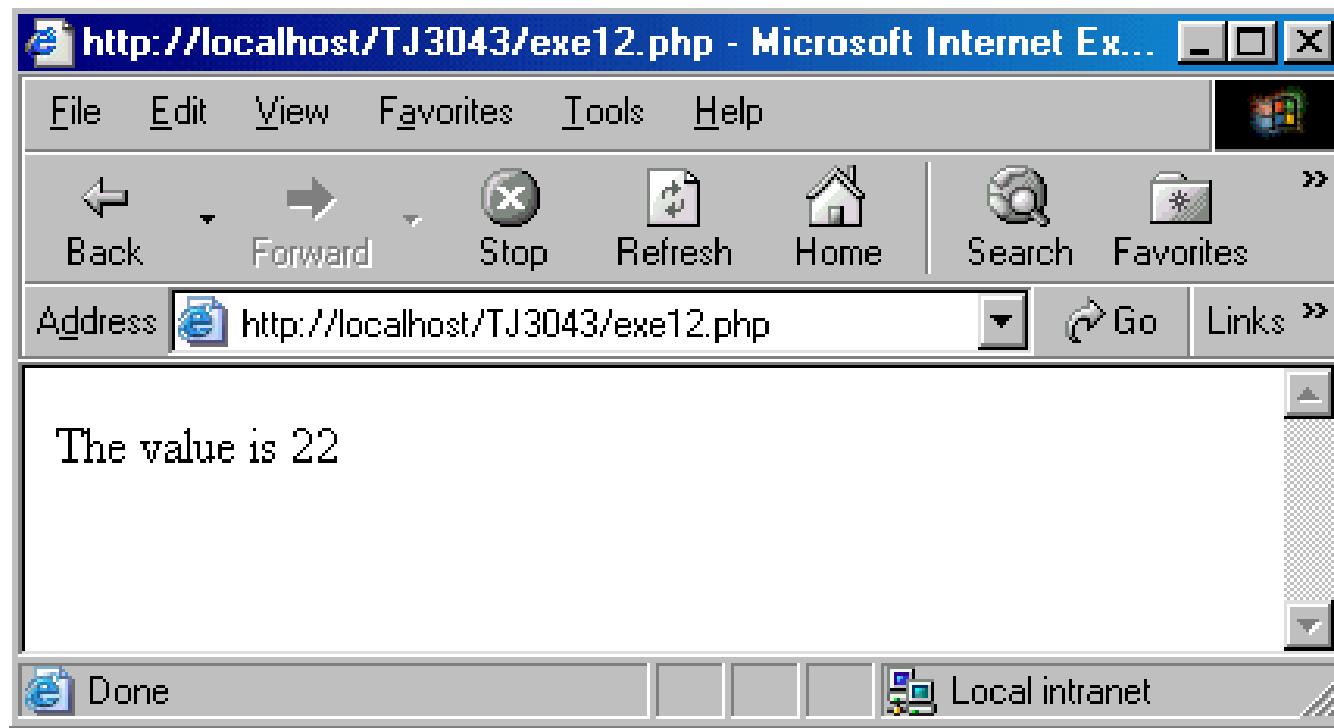
- The data contained within the brackets that follow the function names is known as the function ***argument..***.

- Save as exe12.php

```
<?php
    function make_triple($arg1, $arg2, $arg3)
    {
        $num = $arg1 + $arg2 + $arg3;
        return $num;
    }

$value=make_triple(9,7,6);
echo("The value is $value");
?>
```

Output 12



ARRAY

What is an Array?

- ✖ A variable is a storage area holding a number or text. The problem is, a variable will hold only one value.
- ✖ An array is a special variable, which can store multiple values in one single variable.
- ✖ If you have a list of items (a list of car names, for example), storing the cars in single variables could look like this:

```
$cars1="Saab";  
$cars2="Volvo";  
$cars3="BMW";
```

- ✖ An array can hold all your variable values under a single name. And you can access the values by referring to the array name.
- ✖ Each element in the array has its own index so that it can be easily accessed.

ARRAY

In PHP, there are three kind of arrays:

- ✖ **Numeric array** - An array with a numeric index
- ✖ **Associative array** - An array where each ID key is associated with a value
- ✖ **Multidimensional array** - An array containing one or more arrays

NUMERIC ARRAYS

- A numeric array stores each array element with a numeric index.
 - There are two methods to create a numeric array.
1. In the following example the index are automatically assigned (the index starts at 0):

```
$cars=array("Saab", "Volvo", "BMW", "Toyota");
```

2. In the following example we assign the index manually:

```
$cars[0]="Saab";  
$cars[1]="Volvo";  
$cars[2]="BMW";  
$cars[3]="Toyota";
```

NUMERIC ARRAYS

- In the following example you access the variable values by referring to the array name and index:

```
<?php  
$cars[0] = "Proton Exora";  
$cars[1] = "Volvo";  
$cars[2] = "Inokom";  
$cars[3] = "Toyota";  
echo $cars[0] . " and " . $cars[2] . " are  
Malaysian cars.";  
?>
```

- The code above will output:

Proton Exora and Inokom are Malaysian cars.

ASSOCIATIVE ARRAYS

- An associative array, each ID key is associated with a value.
- When storing data about specific named values, a numerical array is not always the best way to do it.
- With associative arrays we can use the values as keys and assign values to them.

Example

- In this example we use an array to assign ages to the different persons:

```
$ages = array("Aiman">32, "Aisyah">30, "Ruhul">34);
```

ASSOCIATIVE ARRAYS

Example 2

- ✖ This example is the same as example 1, but shows a different way of creating the array:

```
$ages [ 'Aiman' ] = "32";  
$ages [ 'Aisyah' ] = "30";  
$ages [ 'Ruhul' ] = "34";
```

ASSOCIATIVE ARRAYS

- ★ The ID keys can be used in a script:

```
<?php  
$ages['Aiman'] = "32";  
$ages['Aisyah'] = "30";  
$ages['Ruhul'] = "34";  
  
echo "Aiman is " . $ages['Aiman'] . " years old.";  
?>
```

- ★ The code above will output:

Aiman is 32 years old.

MULTIDIMENSIONAL ARRAYS

- In a multidimensional array, each element in the main array can also be an array. And each element in the sub-array can be an array, and so on.

MULTIDIMENSIONAL ARRAYS

Example

- In this example we create a multidimensional array, with automatically assigned ID keys:

```
$families =array(  
    "Affendi"=>array("Aiman", "Aisyah", "Ruhul") ,  
    "Hamidi"=>array("Haikal") ,  
    "Sabri"=>array("Ikram", "Noraini Sabrina")  
) ;
```

MULTIDIMENSIONAL ARRAYS

- Let's try displaying a single value from the array above:

```
echo "Is " . $families['Affendi'][2] .  
" a part of the Affendi family?";
```

- The code above will output:

Is Ruhul a part of the Affendi family?

THE FOREACH LOOP

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- The foreach loop is used to loop through arrays.
- Syntax

```
foreach ($array as $value)
{
    code to be executed;
}
```

- For every loop iteration, the value of the current array element is assigned to \$value (and the array pointer is moved by one) - so on the next loop iteration, you'll be looking at the next array value.

THE FOREACH LOOP

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Example

- The following example demonstrates a loop that will print the values of the given array:

```
<html>
<body>
<?php
$x=array("one", "two", "three");
foreach ($x as $value)
{
    echo $value . "<br />";
}
?>
</body>
</html>
```

- Output:

```
one
two
three
```