Introduction to PHP Programming

Learning Objectives

- -Describe what PHP is and how it works in web development
- -Write basic PHP scripts using variables and output
- -Use conditional statements and loops to control program flow
- -Create simple PHP functions to organize reusable code



What is PHP?

- PHP PHP: Hypertext Preprocessor
- A popular server-side scripting language
- Used to create dynamic websites and web applications
- Embedded inside HTML and runs on a web server (like XAMPP)

Why Learn PHP?

- Powers popular platforms (WordPress, Facebook originally used PHP)
- Simple and beginner-friendly
- Works well with HTML and MySQL
- Prepares you for building real-world systems

Setting Up Your PHP Environment

- Download and install XAMPP
- Save .php files inside htdocs/ folder
- Start Apache to run your server or go to terminal php filename.extension

VARIABLES

```
main.php
    <?php
                 // String
    $name = "Juan";
             // Integer
    $age = 20;
    $height = 5.8;  // Float (decimal number)
    $grade = 'A'; // Character (also a string in PHP)
    $price = 99.99;  // Decimal (also float)
    ?>
```

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Input and Output in PHP

Output is how PHP displays data to the screen.

We use:

echo \rightarrow for simple output

Examples:

echo "Hello, World!";

Input and Output in PHP

Form Input (Web Browser)

-Uses \$_POST or \$_GET from an HTML form.

Command Line Input (Terminal)

- -Uses fgets(STDIN) or readline()
- -Used when running PHP from the terminal.

Input and Output in PHP

fgets(STDIN)

```
index.php

2   echo "Enter your name: ";
3   $name = trim(fgets(STDIN));
4   echo "Hello, $name!";
5   ?>
6

PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL PORTS

PS C:\Users\Jerico PC\Documents\OOP_1ST-SEM-2025_2026> php index.php
Enter your name: Jerico
Hello, Jerico!
PS C:\Users\Jerico PC\Documents\OOP_1ST-SEM-2025_2026>
```

readline()

```
index.php
1 <?php
2 $name = readline("Enter your name: ");
3 echo "Hello, $name!";
4 ?>
5

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```

Arithmetic Operators

```
main.php X
main.php
      <?php
      $a = 10;
      b = 3;
  5  sum = a + b;
  6 $difference = $a - $b;
      $product = $a * $b;
      $quotient = $a / $b;
      $remainder = $a % $b;
      echo $sum;
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```

Assignment Operators

```
main.php X
em main.php
     <?php
  3 x = 5;
  4 x += 3; // x is now 8
  5 $x -= 2; // $x is now 6
  6 $x *= 2; // $x is now 12
 7 $x /= 3; // $x is now 4
 8 $x .= "PHP"; // $x is now "4 PHP"
  9
     ?>
 11
 12
 13
```

Comparison Operators

```
main.php X
main.php
     <?php
 3 $isEqual = (5 == 5); // true
 4 $isNotEqual = (5 != 3); // true
  5 $isGreater = (5 > 3); // true
  6 $isLess = (5 < 3); // false
 7 $isGreaterOrEqual = (5 >= 5); // true
    $isLessOrEqual = (5 <= 4); // false
  8
     ?>
 11
 12
 13
```

Logical Operators

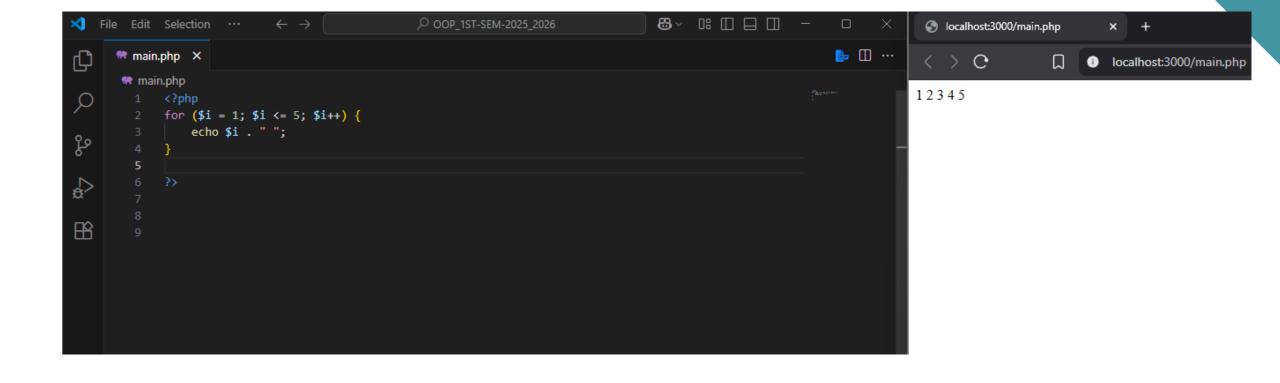
Conditional Statements

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main.php X
                                                                                                                                                      i localhost:3000/main.php
em main.php
                                                                                                                           Good job!
       $score = 85;
       if ($score >= 90) {
           echo "Excellent!";
       } elseif ($score >= 75) {
           echo "Good job!";
        else {
           echo "Keep practicing!";
```

Loops - For Loop



Loops - Do while

```
8 ~ 0: 0 = 0 -
                                                                                                         localhost:3000/main.php
                                                                                             <u></u> □ …
                                                                                                                           localhost:3000/main.php
                                                                                                        12345
   $i = 1;
      echo $i;
      $i++;
7 } while ($i <= 5);</pre>
```

Loops – For Each

```
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ile Edit Selection ···
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 main.php X
 main.php
                                                                                                               Red
                                                                                                               Green
       $colors = ["Red", "Green", "Blue"];
                                                                                                               Blue
       foreach ($colors as $color) {
           echo $color . "<br>";
```

Functions in PHP

```
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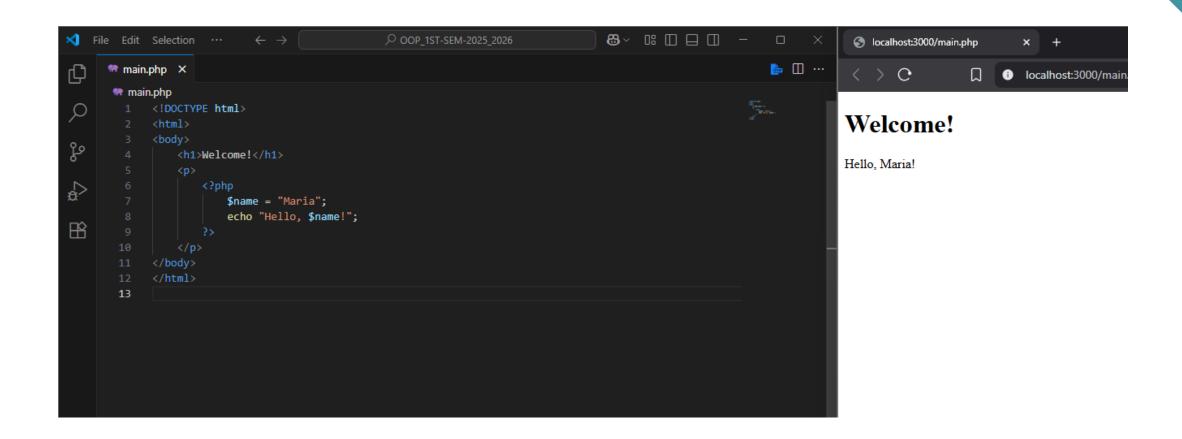
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  main.php X
                                                                                                                                                          localhost:30
   main.php
                                                                                                                               Hello, Jerico
         function sayHello($name) {
              return "Hello, " . $name;
         echo sayHello("Jerico");
```

Arrays – Indexed Array

Arrays - Associative Array

```
File Edit Selection ···
                                                                                                     localhost:3000/main.php
                                                                                                                           ×
                                                                                         b ...
 main.php X
  main.php
                                                                                                   BSIT
       <?php
       $student = [
          "name" => "Juan",
          "age" => 20,
          "course" => "BSIT"
       echo $student["course"];
```

PHP Inside HTML



Practice Activity

Print Even Numbers:

Use a for loop to print all even numbers from 1 to 20.

Sum of Positive Numbers:

Write a program using a while loop that asks the user to enter 5 numbers and calculates the sum of all positive numbers only.

Thank you