HTML

About HTML

- Stands for HyperText Markup Language
- Is a language for describing web pages
- Current Standard version HTML 5
- World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)
- WHATWG (Web Hypertext Application Technology Working Group)

First HTML page

World Wide Web

The WorldWideWeb (W3) is a wide-area hypermedia information retrieval initiative aiming to give universal access to a large universe of documents.

Everything there is online about W3 is linked directly or indirectly to this document, including an executive summary of the project, Mailing lists, Policy, November's W3 news, Frequently Asked Questions

What's out there?

Pointers to the world's online information, subjects, W3 servers, etc.

<u>Help</u>

on the browser you are using

Software Products

A list of W3 project components and their current state. (e.g. Line Mode, X11 Viola, NeXTStep, Servers, Tools, Mail robot, Library)

Technical

Details of protocols, formats, program internals etc

Bibliography

Paper documentation on W3 and references.

People People

A list of some people involved in the project.

History

A summary of the history of the project.

How can I help?

If you would like to support the web..

Getting code

Getting the code by anonymous FTP, etc.

Evolution of HTML

Year	Version
1989	Tim Berners-Lee invented www
1991	Tim Berners-Lee invented HTML
1993	Dave Raggett drafted HTML+
1995	HTML Working Group defined HTML 2.0
1997	W3C Recommendation: HTML 3.2
1999	W3C Recommendation: HTML 4.01
2000	W3C Recommendation: XHTML 1.0
2008	WHATWG HTML5 First Public Draft
2012	WHATWG HTML5 Living Standard
2014	W3C Recommendation: HTML5
2016	W3C Candidate Recommendation: HTML 5.1
2017	W3C Recommendation: HTML5.1 2nd Edition
2017	W3C Recommendation: HTML5.2

HTML DOCTYPE

- HTML 5
 - <!DOCTYPE html>
- HTML 4.01 Strict
- <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
- HTML 4.01 Transitional
- <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
- HTML 4.01 Frameset
- <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Frameset//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/frameset.dtd">

Browser Mode

- Quirks mode refers to a technique used by some web browsers for the sake of maintaining backward compatibility with web pages designed for old web browsers
- Standards mode strictly complying with W3C and Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) standards

Anatomy of HTML Elements

HTML elements are written with a **start** tag, with an **end** tag, with the **content** in between:

- <tagname>content</tagname>
- Eg. <h1>Manipal University</h1>

HTML Tag types

- Container Tags come in pairs (paired tags)
 - Eg. <P>This is in Center</P>
- Empty Tags do not
 - Eg.
, <HR/> (Break and Horizontal line)

HTML Element attributes

- Attributes provide additional information about HTML elements
- ATTRIBUTE="value", the value should really be in quotes.
- For example,
- Tags can also have default attributes.
- Some browsers don't support the some tags and some attributes.

Basic Document Structure

- The bare minimum HTML document
- HTML version declaration
- <html> <meta> <head> <title> <body>
- Sequential (top to bottom) rendering

Semantic html element

- Element that implies some meaning to the content
- Human and/or machine can understand meaning of content surrounded by a semantic element better
- May help search engine ranking, i.e., SEO
- Semantic elements allow for a more meaningful expression of the structure of our HTML page.

Content Models

A description of the element's expected contents

Block-Level Elements

Inline Elements

- Render to begin on a new line
 Render on the same line (by default)
 - default)
- May contain inline or other
 May only contain other inline block-level elements
 - elements
- Roughly Flow Content (HTML5 Roughly Phrasing category)
 - Content (HTML5 category)

W3C content models: https://www.w3.org/TR/2011/WD-html5-20110525/content-models.html

HTML validator

- W3C Markup Validation Service: https://validator.w3.org/
- HTML/CSS component support: https://caniuse.com/

HTML Character Entity References

Result	Description	Entity Name
	non-breaking space	
<	Less than	<
>	Greater than	>
&	Ampersand	&
ч	Quotation mark	"
©	Copyright	©
1/4	One Fourth	¼
1/2	Half	½

HTML Character Entity References

- Help avoid rendering issues
- Safeguard against more limited character encoding
- Provide characters not available on a keyboard

List elements

- Lists provide a natural and commonly used grouping of content
- Very often, lists are used for structuring navigation portions of the web page
- Lists are segregated into three types, namely :
 - Ordered lists: lists are numbered according to the standard chosen
 - Unordered lists: lists are arranged in bulleted sequence
 - **Definition lists**: list consists of a term followed by its definition

Unordered Lists

- They are delimited by the and tags. Each item in the list is delimited by the and tags.
- The syntax of the tag is:

Attributes

- TYPE= "DISC", "SQUARE" or "CIRCLE".
 disc (solid bullet), square (solid block) or a circle (hollow bullet)
- The default appearance for list is disc
- is optional

Ordered Lists

- They are used when the items in the list have a natural order.
- To make an ordered list, simply change the tag to .
 Attributes

TYPE= (1 | A | a | I | i) – changes the style of the list

1 – Arabic numbers

A – Uppercase alphanumeric

a – lowercase alphanumeric

I - Uppercase roman numerals

i – lowercase roman numerals

 Start = value – indicates where the list numbering should begin

Creating Links

- A link moves us from the current page to a destination that is specified in the HTML page or resource
- The Anchor tag (<a>) is used to create links between different objects like HTML pages, files, web sites etc.

Attribute

- HREF -- defines the destination of the link.
- TARGET -- is used to specify where to open the linked document
- NAME -- attribute is used to create a bookmark inside an HTML document
- Internal linking to other pages in the site
- External linking to other web sites
- Linking to sections of a document

Images

- Images can enhance your site
- Remember to specify width and height attributes whenever possible
- Specify the alternate attribute

Path Convention

Absolute Vs. Relative Pathnames

- An absolute pathname includes the full pathname of the file.
- This means that if you move your files or change your directory, you have to edit every IMG tag in your document.
- Example

```
<IMG SRC="D:\htmleg\Images\picture.jpg">
<IMG SRC="http://xyz.com/Images/picture.jpg">
```

Path Convention

- A relative pathname indicates the pathname of the image file relative to the pathname of the file. This is the recommended naming convention.
- Example :
- Example :
- If your image file is stored one directory level up from your HTML file, use two dots(..) in the pathname to move up a directory level.

Example :

Table tags

Tag	Description
	Defines a table
<u>></u>	Defines a header cell in a table
<u></u>	Defines a row in a table
<u></u>	Defines a cell in a table
<caption></caption>	Defines a table caption
<colgroup></colgroup>	Specifies a group of one or more columns in a table for formatting
<col/>	Specifies column properties for each column within a <colgroup> element</colgroup>
<thead></thead>	Groups the header content in a table
	Groups the body content in a table
<tfoot></tfoot>	Groups the footer content in a table

HTML Form

- Web form is container with labels and the form fields
- Example forms used in websites and applications
 - Login/registration
 - Purchase order
 - Ticket reservation
 - Hotel Room booking
 - Payment checkout
 - Newsletter/subscription
 - Consultation/audit request
 - Donation
 - Survey
 - Custom form.

HTML Form design

- Usability issues
 - Group Similar categories
 - Easy access to the form elements
- Design issues
 - Text emphases
 - Use headings
 - Input specifiers
 - Messages
 - Tooltips
 - Help messages
 - Validation messages
 - Visual separate groups
 - Use line breaks and spacing appropriately
- The information collected from the form can then be used for processing

HTML Form Designing best practices

Single-column layout

- Read from top to bottom which creates a simple interaction with a form
- Avoid zigzag field placements

Path to completion and align

- Left-align is better than center-align as the best way to reduce the path to completion time
- Left-align eyes don't need to jump across the page

HTML Form Designing best practices..

- Use wizard for long forms and progress bar
- Group related information
- Mention optional and required field/s
- Use autocomplete
- Choose the input format wisely
- Call to action
- Use inline form field validation
- Use styles effectively

Form tag

- The key attributes within the form tag are
 - ACTION indicates the program on the HTTP server that will process the output from the form
 - METHOD tells the browser how to send the data to the server with the POST and the GET method.
- Ex:

```
    <FORM METHOD = "POST" ACTION = "http://www.XYZ.reg.php">
        Input elements.....
    </FORM>
```

Form methods

- GET: Form data is sent in URL of GET request
- POST: Form data is sent in HTTP message body of POST request NOTE:
- GET request can be cached
 - GET request remains in browser history and or server log
 - GET request can be bookmarked
- GET request cannot be used to send sensitive data
- GET request have length restriction
- application/x-www-form-urlencoded encoding type is used in GET

Form methods...

- POST request cannot be cached
 - POST parameters are not stored in browser history and or server log
 - POST request cannot be bookmarked
- POST request can be used to send sensitive data
- POST request has no length restriction
- application/x-www-form-urlencoded or multipart/form-data encoding type is used in GET

Label

```
<label for="male">Male</label>
<input type="radio" name="gender" id="male" value="male"><br>
<label for="female">Female</label>
<input type="radio" name="gender" id="female" value="female"><br>
<label for="other">Other</label>
<input type="radio" name="gender" id="other" value="other">
```

- It provides a usability improvement for mouse users
- If the user clicks on the text within the <label> element, it toggles the control.

INPUT tag

- The input element is used to select user information.
- An input element can vary in many ways, depending on the type attribute.
- An input element can be of type text field, checkbox, password, radio button, submit button, and more.
- The attributes for the INPUT tag are
 - type = (text | password | checkbox | radio | file | hidden | button | image | submit | reset)
 - name: is used to specify a name
 - value: "text" is used along with radio buttons and checkboxes
 - **size**:"n" indicates visible size.
 - maxlength : "n" in characters
 - checked: specifies element should be pre-selected when loaded

Examples

Example for text box, radio button & check box

Password & Hidden fields

- Password fields work like text fields but display "*" in browser
- <input type = "password" name="newpass" size="10" maxlength= "10" />

- Hidden fields are not visible in the browser but can be used to pass information to programs receiving input.
- <input type="hidden" name = "success" value =
 "http://www.xmission.com/..."</pre>
 - Better to place them on the top after FORM tag

To insert a button

- <input type="submit" /> defines a submit button.
 - A submit button is used to send form data to a server.
 - The data is sent to the page specified in the form's action attribute.
 - The file defined in the action attribute usually does something with the received input:

```
    <form name="input" action="html_form_action.asp" method="get">
        Username: <input type="text" name="user" />
        <input type="submit" value="Submit" />
        </form>
```

- To define an ordinary button
 - <input type="button" value="Hello world!">
- To define an image instead of submit button
 - <input type="image" src="submit.gif" alt="Submit" />

File Field & Text Area

- File fields allow visitors to upload files like pictures, scanned documents, spreadsheets etc.
 - <input type="file" name="pic" />
- Text areas are places within a form for extensive text input. <textarea>
- Attributes include
 - name, rows, cols
- Ex:
 - <textarea name="comments" cols ="30" rows = "5"> pl type comments if any
 - </textarea>

Select Fields

- <select>: Sets an area in a form for a select field that can look like a drop down list or a larger select field
- Attributes include
 - name used for form processing
 - size sets visible size for the select field
 - multiple accepts more than one selection
 - **selected** indicates default selection
- Elements to include
 - Option used to specify list values or items
 - Optgroup- is used to group related options in list

Example for select

Example on optgroup

```
<select name="c">
  <optgroup label="8.01 Physics I: Classical Mechanics">
  <option value="8.01.1">Lecture 01: Powers of Ten
  <option value="8.01.2">Lecture 02: 1D Kinematics
  <option value="8.01.3">Lecture 03: Vectors
  <optgroup label="8.02 Electricity and Magnestism">
  <option value="8.02.1">Lecture 01: What holds our world together?
  <option value="8.02.2">Lecture 02: Electric Field
  <option value="8.02.3">Lecture 03: Electric Flux
  <optgroup label="8.03 Physics III: Vibrations and Waves">
  <option value="8.03.1">Lecture 01: Periodic Phenomenon
  <option value="8.03.2">Lecture 02: Beats
  <option value="8.03.3">Lecture 03: Forced Oscillations with Damping
 </select>
```

Example for field set

```
<html>
<body>
<form>
 <fieldset>
    <legend>Health information:</legend>
            Height <input type="text" size="3">
            Weight <input type="text" size="3">
 </fieldset>
<form>
</body>
</html>
```

INPUT element new types

- color
- date
- datetime-local
- time
- email
- url
- month
- week
- number
- range

INPUT element new attributes

- autocomplete
- autofocus
- list
- min
- max
- disabled
- readonly
- multiple
- pattern
- placeholder
- required
- step

Example on Datalist

```
<input list="items">
 <datalist id="items">
  <option value="Item1">
  <option value="Item2">
  <option value="Item3">
  <option value="Item4">
  <option value="Item5">
</datalist>
</form>
```

Summary

- Understood semantics of the element and its attribute set
- Compared the block-level and inline-level content elements
- Discussed the importance of UX best practices when designing the form
- Advantages of using relative path conventions