### H-PaGe

(http://www.oersted.dtu.dk/personal/sn/hpage)

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### Background (why)

- The structure of the DTU web pages is quite complicated (<a href="http://www.oersted.dtu.dk">http://www.oersted.dtu.dk</a>)
- The designer must replicate the menu for each web page.
- The idea keep them separate. The designer just writes the content.



#### What is H-PaGe

- H-PaGe is a program for generating dynamic web pages.
- Written in PHP.
- Pages do not exist physically.
- Created on the fly from a specification.





### Structure of Ørsted's Pages

- Pictures:
  - Upper left and right
  - Middle left and right
  - Lower left.
- Menus:
  - Top.
  - Left.
  - Bottom.
- Contents





#### Structure Of a Web Site

- Here "web site" means a place to which we return when we click on a button "home". For example <u>Ørsted's site</u>.
- The personal web sites are located at: http://www.oersted.dtu.dk/personal/\$USER



### Directory Structure

Each web site has one ROOT DIRECTORY and a number of sub-directories

The "root\_dir" for the personal pages is on the web server under: /home/\$USER/2www/



### Create Web Page With H-PaGe

- 1. Obtain the distribution of H-PaGe.
- 2. Copy "index.php" to the root directory, for example in "/home/\$user/2www/".
- 3. Specify your web site in the file "web.config". Give color scheme, names of pictures, etc. "web.config" is in the same directory as "index.php"
- 4. Create the files with the contents for each of the web pages in your web site.



### What Is "web.config"?

- "web.config" is a file with commands to the server defining the looks and the structure of the web site.
- "web.config" is created with a text editor. For example Word Pad or NEdit.
- The file looks like this:

```
<?
  // This is a comment
  # This is also a comment
  /*This is also a comment*/
  set_style('green.css'); // This is a command.
?>
```



### Define Color Scheme

The color scheme is defined with a command set\_style

```
<?
   set_style('name_of_style.css');
?>
```

#### Possible options are:

• green.css, red.css, blue.css, lila.css, cyan.css, brown.css

These files define not only the colors, but also the font names, sizes, etc.



### Specify Images

Images are added by the command add\_image.

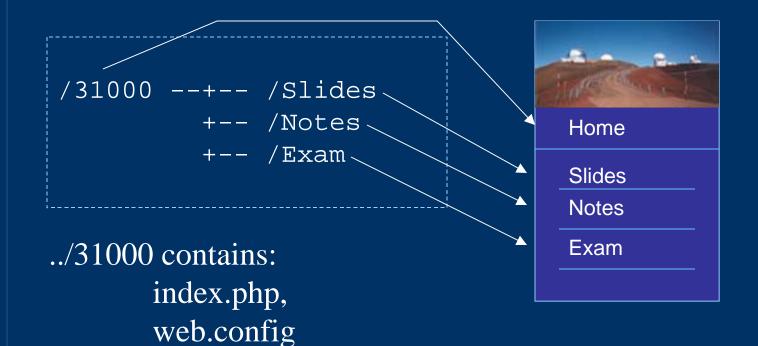


# The Images

upperleft	upperright (600 x 20)
middleleft	middleright
$(151 \times 72)$	(600 x 72)
  me	nu_line (130 x 3) or (130 x 1)
7 7 . 5	
lowerleft (151 x 72)	DTU
(232 11 72)	

#### Create Menus

H-PaGe was initially developed to create the menus automatically from the directory structure.





### **Expected Files**

In the root directory, say, 31000, it is expected to have "index.php", "web.config".

In the rest of the directories, "index.php" expects to find a file with a name "main.html", or "main.htm" or "main.txt".

If you make sub-directories, they will appear as sub-menus. Example.

Only the menu on the left can be created like this.



### Other Menus

	top
left	
	bottom



### Specifying Menus In web.config

Items in the mennu can be added to the web site from web.config using the command add\_menu.

```
//add_menu('position','text','directory','file')

// Absolute web address
  add_menu('top', 'DTU', 'http://www.dtu.dk');

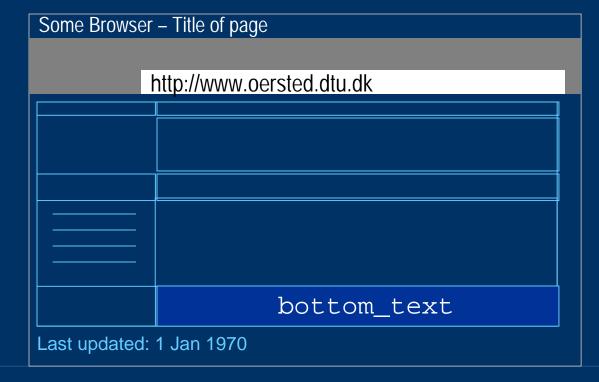
// Specify only directory
  add_menu('bottom', 'Pictures','./pictures');

// Specify directory and file
  add_menu('left','Links', './', 'links.html');

?>
```

#### Other Commands

```
show_updated('true');
set_substitute('true' | 'false');
add_bottom_text('Some text instead of menu');
set_title('Some title for the page');
```

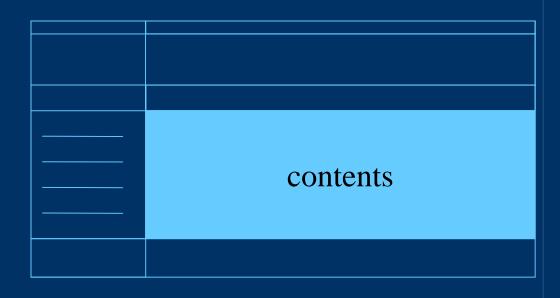




### The Contents

The contents are simple html files.

Usually their name is "main.html" if you work with directory structure.



These files can be created with any editor – text or web editor. They can even be simple text files without any HTML formatting.

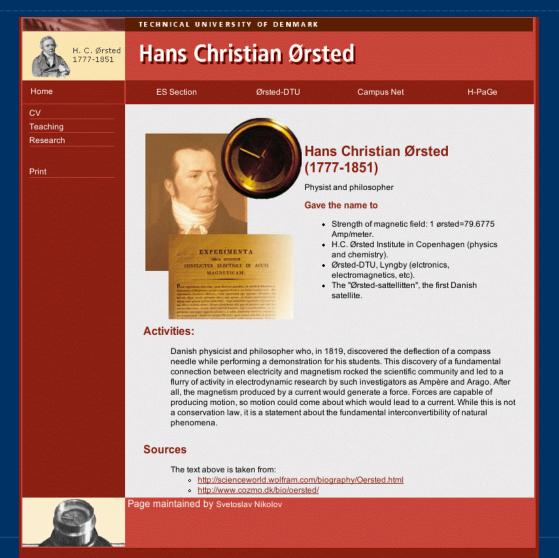


### Things To Remember

- All links are relative to the root directory, not to the current file with contents.
- Do not use any formatting on the page like "background color", "text color", etc. The CSS files take care of it.
- Make pages as simple as possible.



### Let's Do It!





### Simple HTML

- Header1 (title)<h1> Some text </h1>
- Header2 (section)<h2> Section name</h2>
- Header3 (sub-section)<h3>Sub-section name</h3>



### Simple HTML

- Link: <a href="http://www.dtu.dk"> DTU </a>
- Itemized list (with bullets):

```
Item text Item text
```



## Simple HTML

• Enumerated list:

```
    First item 
    Second item
```

New paragraph: Some text

