

# Document Object Model

Writing clean code



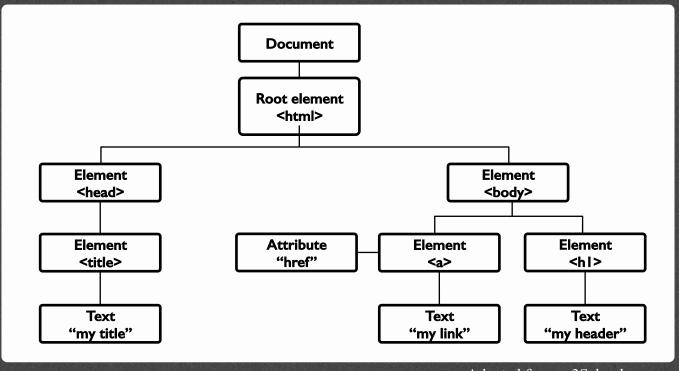
## The Document Object Model (DOM)

- Basis of HTML5 is "New features should be based on HTML, CSS, the DOM, and JavaScript..."
- DOM provides common tree-like structure that all pages should follow

 Computer Scientists love trees (the mathematical kind) because you can test them.



### HTML is built on the DOM





## Three parts of a well-formed document

- Doctype
  - Version of HTML that you will be using
- Head
  - Metadata
- Body
  - Displayable content



## **Doctype**

- HTML5
  - <!DOCTYPE html>
- Previous versions dictated backwards compatibility
  - !DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
  - <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">



#### Head

- Additional information used by the browser
  - Meta data language, title
  - Supporting files JavaScript, Styling, Addons

Other than title, meta-data is not displayed



# Body

Bulk of your page

Important to write well-formatted (tree-like) code.

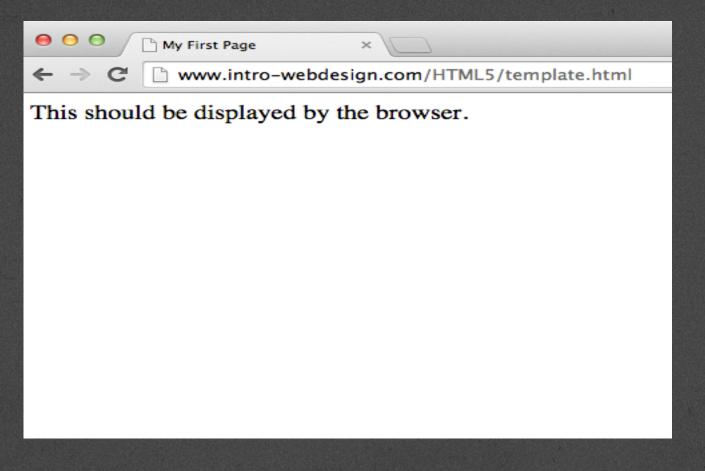
 Most of the content is displayed by the browser, but there may be some meta-data too



## **Example**

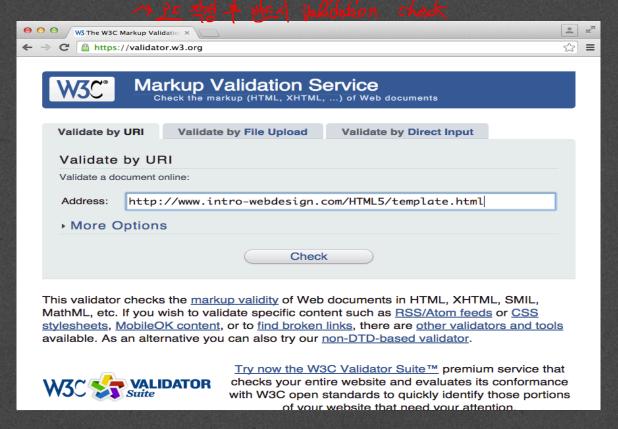
Example: template.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title>My First Page</title>
</head>
<body>
    This should be displayed by the browser.
</body>
</html>
```





### Validate the Code





### Success!!

This document was successfully checked as HTML5!	
Result:	Passed, 2 warning(s)
Address:	http://www.intro-webdesign.com/HTML5/template.htm
Encoding:	utf-8 (detect automatically)
Doctype:	HTML5 (detect automatically)
Root Element:	html



#### Review

- Well-formed pages use the DOM structure
  - Use beginning and end tags
  - Close inner tags before outer ones
  - Use valid attributes
- Browsers will "fix" bad code, but not always well. Use a validator to check your code

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