HTML

What is HTML

- Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) is a language in which one can describe:
 - The display and format of text
 - The display of graphics
 - Pointers to other html files
 - Pointers to files containing graphics, digitized video and sound
 - Forms that capture information from the viewer
- HTML was developed by Tim Berners-Lee of CERN around 1990
- HTML is understood by WWW browsers—e.g. Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, Safari, many others which interpret and display the output to the viewer
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_web_browsers

Versions of HTML

- Version 0, 1990, was the original, minimum set of HTML
- Version 1 includes all Version 0 features plus highlighting and images
- Version 2, November, 1995, includes all Version 0 and Version 1 features, plus forms
- Version 3.2, January 1997, was released by WWW Consortium and included such features as tables
- HTML 4.01, December 1999, is the current draft of HTML; the document can be found at http://www.w3.org/TR/html401/
- There is a Recommendation of HTML 5 vocabulary and APIs: V 5.0 see http://www.w3.org/TR/html5/
- There is a draft for HRML 5.1: V 5.1 see http://www.w3.org/html/wg/drafts/html/master/
- HTML is controlled by the World Wide Web Consortium, W3C, located at http://www.w3.org

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An Example

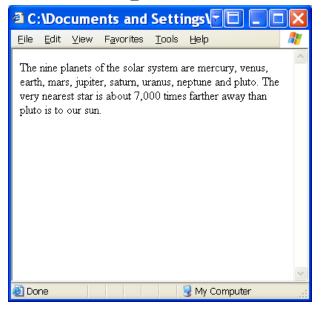
```
The nine planets of the solar system are mercury, venus, earth, mars, jupiter, saturn, uranus, neptune and pluto.
```

The very nearest star is about 7,000 times farther away than pluto is to our sun.

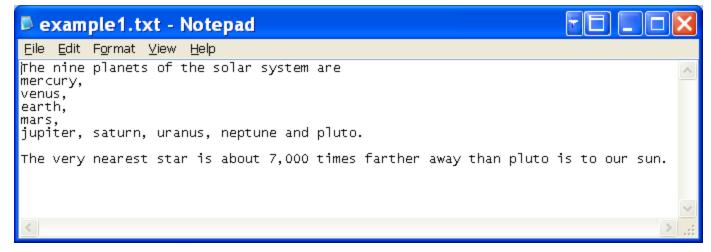
- Save this file as example1.txt
- Save this file as example1.html

Browser Output - Example 1

example1.html

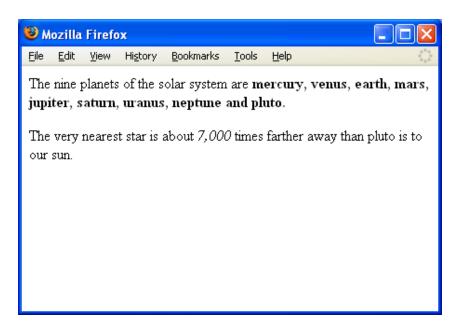


example1.txt



Example 2: Adding Some Markup

- <P>The very nearest star is about <I>7,000
 I> times farther away than pluto is to our sun.



General Structure

- HTML documents have a head and body
 - head should contain a title
 - body may have paragraphs
- A leading line indicates which version of HTML this document conforms to

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.0//EN"</pre>
```

```
"http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-html40/strict.dtd">
```

```
<HTMT<sub>1</sub>>
```

<HEAD>

<TITLE>The Solar System</TITLE>

</HEAD>

<BODY>

<P>The nine planets of the solar system are...

</BODY>

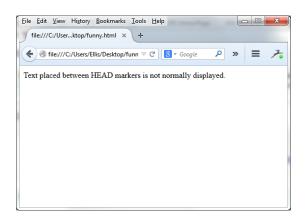
</HTML>

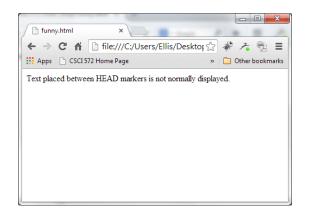
Browsers Are Tolerant

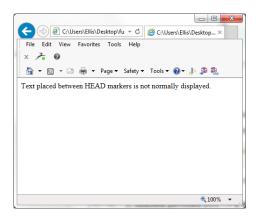
- Browsers follow the rule of being tolerant of mistakes in the input
 - They ignore markup they don't understand
- E.g. Internet Explorer/Firefox are tolerant browsers
 - They do not insist that the HTML document begin and end with <HTML>
 - <HEAD> and/or <BODY> tags are not required
 - But, there is no guarantee that this behavior will be the same for all browsers

Example - Browsers are Tolerant

 Suppose the entire document is one line, such as: <HEAD>Text placed between <ODDTAG> HEAD markers is not normally displayed.</HEAD>







Firefox

Chrome

Internet Explorer

HTML Elements

- Each element consists of a start tag, content, and an end tag
- E.q. <BODY> some text </BODY>
- A slash (/) after the "<" indicates an end tag
- Some elements do not require end tags,
- e.g. <P> paragraph tag
- Some elements do not require content,
- e.q. <HR>

horizontal rule tag places a straight line across the page

Attributes

- Elements may have parameters, called attributes
- Attributes are placed in the start tag before the final ">"
- Attributes have the form name=value

```
E.g. <H1> is the first heading tag
<H1 id="Chapter1">
Start of Chapter 1
</H1>
```

- Attribute values are often enclosed in quotes, either double or single
- Quotes are not required when the value contains only letters, digits, hyphens, and periods.
- Attribute names are case insensitive, but not necessarily attribute values

Comments in HTML

• Comments start with

```
<!--
and end with
-->
```

- Comments cannot be nested
 - White space is permitted between the -- and the closing angle bracket, >
 - It is not permitted between the opening angle bracket, exclamation point, and the --

</BODY>

Complete Set of <BODY> tag attributes

- id, assigns a unique name to an element e.g. <P id=mystart>This is my starting paragraph...
- · class, assigns one or more names to an element
- lang, a language code that identifies a natural language spoken, written, or otherwise used
- title, a short description of the body
- style, inline display information
- · bgcolor, background color
- Events include
- onload, onunload onclick, ondblclick, onmousedown, onmouseup, onmouseover, onmousemove, onmouseout, onkeypress onkeydown, onkeyup
- Deprecated elements include:

background, text, link, vlink, alink
See http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/struct/global.html#edef-BODY, and
http://www.w3.org/html/wg/drafts/html/master/sections.html#the-body-element

Composing HTML

- Conventional editors let you compose HTML directly
 - e.g. emacs, vi, NotePad, TextPad, etc.
 - use the tools when you are writing HTML directly
- Word Processors include a File SaveAs option which saves your document in HTML format
 - e.g. Microsoft Word, Corel WordPerfect, etc.
 - use this when creating "simple" web pages
- There are several free HTML-specific editors, e.g.
 - Brackets, http://brackets.io
 - Microsoft Expression Web 4 (free version),
 - http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=36179
- There are several commercial HTML editors, e.g.
 - Microsoft Blend (included in Visual Studio)
 - Adobe Dreamweaver
- For a complete list see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ List of HTML editors

Lists

- HTML lists are very common in everyday web development.
- Perhaps the most commonly used are
 - unordered lists () and
 - ordered lists ()
- but there are a few other list options
 - definition list (<dl>), and
 - the menu (<menu>) element,
 - both were deprecated in HTML4, but reintroduced in HTMI₅
- All lists follow the same pattern:
 - <start tag of list>
 - <list item tag>
 - <list item tag>
 - <list item tag>
 - </ end tag of list>

Definition Lists

<DL>

<DT>light year<DD>the distance light travels
in one year

<DT>asteroids<DD>are small, irregular shaped
objects, mostly occurring between Mars and
Jupiter

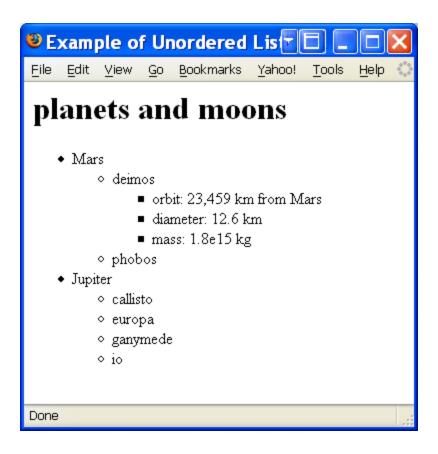
</DL>



Example - Unordered Lists

```
<hr/><hr/>HTML><head><rifte>
Example of Unordered Lists</TITLE></HEAD>
<BODY><H1>planets and moons/H1>
<UL>
<LI>Mars
  <UL><LI> deimos
           <UL> <LI>orbit: 23,459 km from Mars
                  <LI>diameter: 12.6 km
                  \langle LI \rangle mass: 1.8e15 kg
           </UL>
     <LI>phobos
  </UL>
<LI>Jupiter
<UL><LI>callisto<LI>europa<LI>ganymede<LI>io</UL>
</UL></BODY></HTML>
```

Browser Output of Unordered Lists



Ordered Lists

- Has the general form
- first list item second list item
- START attribute can initialize the sequence to a number other than 1
- TYPE attribute can be used to select the numbering style

Type	Name	Style
1	arabic 1, 2,	3,
a	lower alpha	a, b, c,
A	upper alpha	А, В, С,
i	lower roman	i, ii, iii
I	upper roman	I, II, III,

 However, the type attribute is deprecated and list styles should be handled through style sheets, e.g.

```
<STYLE type="text/css">
```

OL.withroman {list-style-type: lower-roman}</STYLE>

Example - Ordered Lists

```
<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>
Example of Ordered Lists</TITLE></HEAD>
<BODY><H1>Planets and Moons as Ordered Lists</H1>
<OL START=4>
<LI>Mars
   <OL type=A><LI>deimos
          <OL type=I><LI>orbit: 23,459 km from Mars
                 <LT>diameter: 12.6 km
                 <LI>mass: 1.8e15 kg
          </OL>
       <LI>phobos
   </OL>
<LI>Jupiter
<OL type=A><LI>callisto<LI>europa<LI>ganymede
<LI>io</OL></OL></BODY></HTML>
```

Browser Output

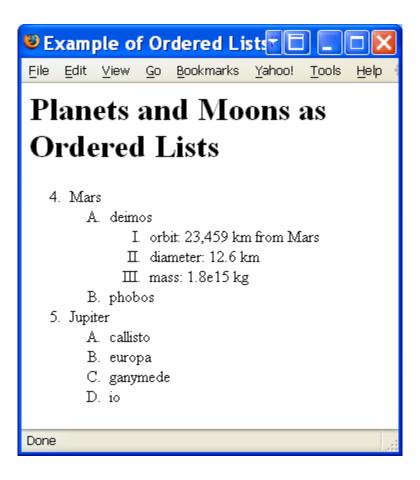


Table Elements

- <TABLE>, a tag used to define a table
- <CAPTION>, a tag to label a table
 - Its attributes are ALIGN = top, bottom, left, right
- <TH></TH> or <TD></TD>, tags that identify a table header cell and table data cell
 - Headers are the same as data except they use bold font and are centered
- <TR>, a tag that identifies a container for a row of table cells
 - Same attributes as TH and TD

Facts about Tables

- Table data can be text, lists, images, forms, figures, or even tables
- Table headers are typically rendered in boldface, and table data is typically rendered in the regular font and point size
- A table has an optional caption followed by rows
- Table rows are said to contain table headers and table data
- The browser will set the number of columns to be the greatest number of columns in all of the rows
- Blank cells are used to fill extra columns in the rows

Example - 3 rows x 2 cols

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>Table: 3 rows 2 Cols</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<h1>Table: 3 Rows 2 Cols</h1>
<TABLE BORDER="2">
<CAPTION>MIME Content-Types</CAPTION>
<TR><TD>application/postscript</TD><TD>Postscript</
TD>
<TR><TD>application/rtf</TD><TD>MS Rich Text
Format</TD>
<TR><TD>application/x-pdf</TD><TD>Adobe Acrobat
Format</TD>
</TABLE></BODY></HTML>
```

Browser Output

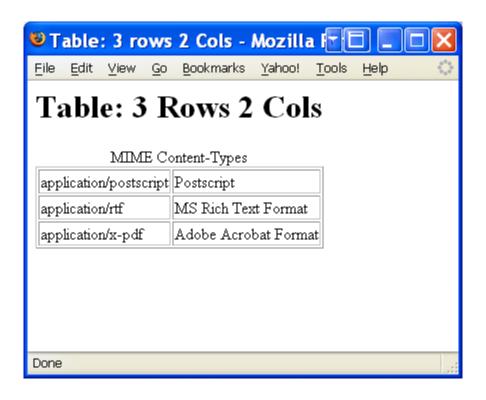
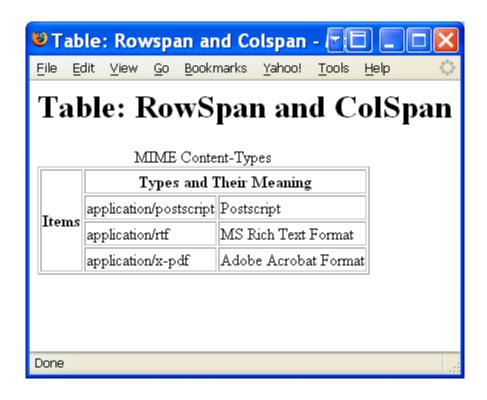


Table Example Rowspan colspan

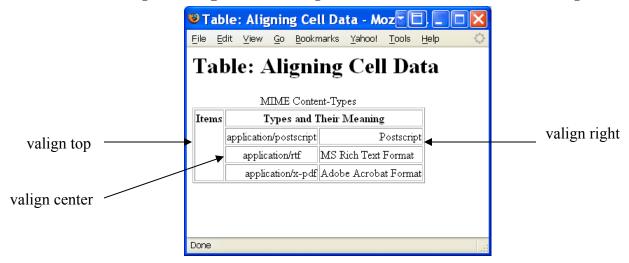
```
<HTML><HEAD>
<TITLE>Table: Rowspan and Colspan</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<H1>Table: RowSpan and ColSpan</H1>
<TABLE BORDER="2">
<CAPTION>MIME Content-Types</CAPTION>
<TR><TH ROWSPAN=4>Items</TH><TH colspan=2>Types and
Their Meaning</TH>
<TR><TD>application/postscript</TD><TD>Postscript</TD>
<TR><TD>application/rtf</TD><TD>MS Rich Text Format</
TD>
<TR><TD>application/x-pdf</TD><TD>Adobe Acrobat
Format</TD>
</TABLE></BODY></HTML>
```

Browser Output



Arranging Data in a Table

• Originally data in a table could be manipulated using attributes: align left, align right, align center, valign top, valign middle and valign bottom



- the above attributes are now deprecated in favor of Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) settings
- see the next slide lecture

Table Example: Surprise Quiz

```
<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>Table: Pop Quiz</fre>
</HEAD><BODY><H1>Table: Pop Quiz</H1>
<H2>Draw the table described here</H2>
<TABLE BORDER="2">
<TR><TD>Datal</TD><TD rowspan=2>Data2</TD>
\langle TD \rangle Data 3 \langle /TD \rangle
<TR><TD>Data4</TD><TD>Data5</TD></TABLE>
<H2>Draw the table described here</H2>
<TABLE BORDER>
<TR><TH Rowspan=2 colspan=2></TH>
    <TH colspan=2>Average</TH>
<TR><TH>Cost</TH><TH>Time</TH>
<TR><TH Rowspan=2>Projects</TH>
    <TH>P1</TH><TD>100</TD><TD>7</TD>
<TR><TH>P2</TH><TD>250</TD><TD>15</TD>
</TABLE></BODY></HTML>
```

HTML Character Set

- HTML uses the Universal Character Set (UCS), defined in [ISO10646]. This standard defines a repertoire of thousands of characters used by communities all over the world.
 - Its latest specification (Unicode 7.0.0) can be found at.

http://www.unicode.org/versions/Unicode7.0.0/

HTML must also specify how characters are encoded during transmission.

- Commonly used character encodings on the Web include
 - ISO-8859-1 (also referred to as "Latin-1"; usable for most Western European languages),
 - ISO-8859-5 (which supports Cyrillic),
 - SHIFT JIS (a Japanese encoding),
- A browser is informed of the encoding by a line Content-Type: text/html; charset=EUC-JP

Character references

- Character references in HTML may appear in two forms:
 - Numeric character references (either decimal or hexadecimal)
 - å (in decimal) represents the letter "a" with a small circle above it (used, for example, in Norwegian).
 - < represents left angle bracket
 - > represents right angle bracket
 - & represents ampersand sign
 - " represents double quote
 - Character entity references.
 - "<" represents the < sign.
 - ">" represents the > sign.
 - "&" represents the & sign.
 - "" represents the " mark.

Example - Character References

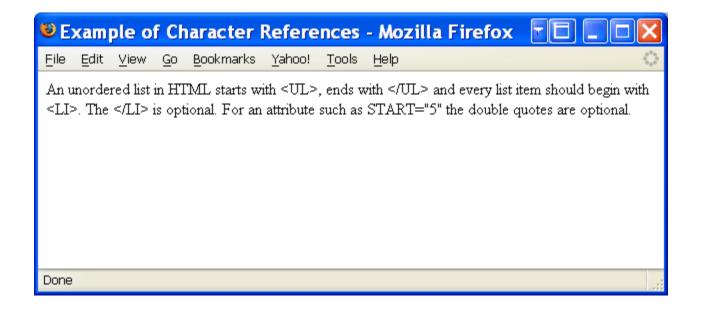
<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>Example of Character References
TITLE></HEAD>

<BODY>

An unordered list in HTML starts with , ends with and every list item should begin with . The is optional. For an attribute such as START="5" the double quotes are optional.

</BODY></HTML>

Browser Output of Character References



Anchors Away

- An anchor is a way to designate a link to another document or to a specific place in the same document
- Begins with <A> and ends with
- The link location is given by the attribute HREF (Hypertext Reference); e.g.,

See Class Home Page for a description of the class project

- Hypertext links are displayed using underlining, color, and/or highlighting
 - Depends on the browser defaults or the use of style settings
 - Once a link is taken, it should change color

Syntax of Anchor Names

- An anchor name is the value of either the name or id attribute when used in the context of anchors.
- Anchor names must observe the following rules:
 - Uniqueness: Anchor names must be unique within a document. Anchor names that differ only in case may not appear in the same document.
 - **String matching:** Comparisons between fragment identifiers and anchor names must be done by exact (case-sensitive) match.

Defining Anchors Using the id Attribute

- The id attribute may be used to create an anchor at the start tag of any element (including the A element).
- Example: the id attribute places an anchor in an H2 element.

```
You may read more about this in

<A href="#section2">Section Two</A>.
. . . more text . . .

<H2 id="section2">Section Two</H2>
. . . more text

<P>Please refer to <A href="#section2">Section Two</A> above for more details.
```

• The id and name attributes share the same name space. They cannot both define an anchor with the same name in the same document. Try this example in IE and Firefox:

```
<P><A href="#label1">...</A>
...more document...

<P><A name="LABEL1">...</A>

NOTE: browsers work
differently
```

Examples of Anchors

- a file in the same directory and same domain as the current page
- a file in directory mydocs on machine nunki.usc.edu, a WWW site
- the newsgroup computers.compilers
- opens an an e-mail window for sending a message
- Given the current position, this <HREF> moves up one directory, connects to Docs/Style/ and displays the document Overview.html
 - ...
- Connects to lycos and runs pursuit with three arguments
 <A HREF="http://www.lycos.com/cgi-bin/pursuit?
 Hypertext+Markup+Language"> ...

Anchor Titles

- The title attribute may be set to add information about the nature of a link.
- This information may be spoken by a user agent, rendered as a tool tip, cause a change in cursor image, etc.

Universal Resource Identifier

- URIs typically consist of three pieces:
 - The scheme of the mechanism used to access the resource.
 - The name of the machine hosting the resource.
 - The name of the resource itself, given as a path E.g. http://www.usc.edu/dept/cs/index.html
- Fragment identifiers are URIs that refer to a location within a resource
 - e.g. http://www.usc.edu/dept/cs/index.html#section2
- Relative URIs have a path that refers to a resource on the same machine as the current document.e.g., ".." means one level up
- See:

http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3986.txt

The <LINK> Element

- Should only appear in the HEAD
- It may appear any number of times
- It conveys relationship information that may be rendered in a variety of ways (e.g., a tool-bar with a drop-down menu of links)
- Example The current document is "Chapter2.html". The rel attribute specifies the relationship of the linked document with the current document.

```
<HTMI> <HEAD>
 <TITLE>Chapter 2</TITLE>
 <LINK rel="Index" href="../index.html">
 <LINK rel="Next" href="Chapter3.html">
 <LINK rel="Prev" href="Chapter1.html">
</HEAD>
...the rest of the document...
```

How is <LINK> Used

- To provide a variety of information to search engines:
 - Links to alternate versions of a document, written in another human language, e.g.
- <LINK lang="fr" title="La documentation en Franç ais" type="text/html"

rel="alternate" hreflang="fr"

href="http://domain/manual/french.html">

- Links to alternate versions of a document, designed for different media
- <LINK media="print" title="The manual in postscript"</pre> type="application/postscript"

rel="alternate" href="http://domain/manual/ usermanual.ps">

- Links to the starting page of a collection of documents.

Creating Graphics

- Digital cameras & Smartphones
 - Snap and the image is digitized and can be transferred to a computer
 - Typical resolutions are 1280x720, 1920x1080
- Graphic editors
 - Permit the combination of text, drawing, and color
 - For example, Corel PhotoPaint, Adobe Photoshop
- Scanners
 - Convert text and graphics into machine readable form

Image Formats

- Four image formats are always supported by Web browsers
 - x-pixelmaps (obsolete)
 - Similar to x-bitmaps, but 8 bits are given to each pixel, permitting 256 colors in the image
 - Graphic Interchange Format (GIF)
 - Support black and white, grayscale, and color
 - Patented by Unisys (expired, abandoned)
 - Joint Photographic Experts Group (JPEG)
 - Designed for photographic images
 - Includes image compression
 - Portable Network Graphics (PNG)
 - An open, extensible image format with Lossless Compression
 - Patent-free replacement for GIF and TIFF
 - A W3C Recommendation: http://www.w3.org/TR/PNG/

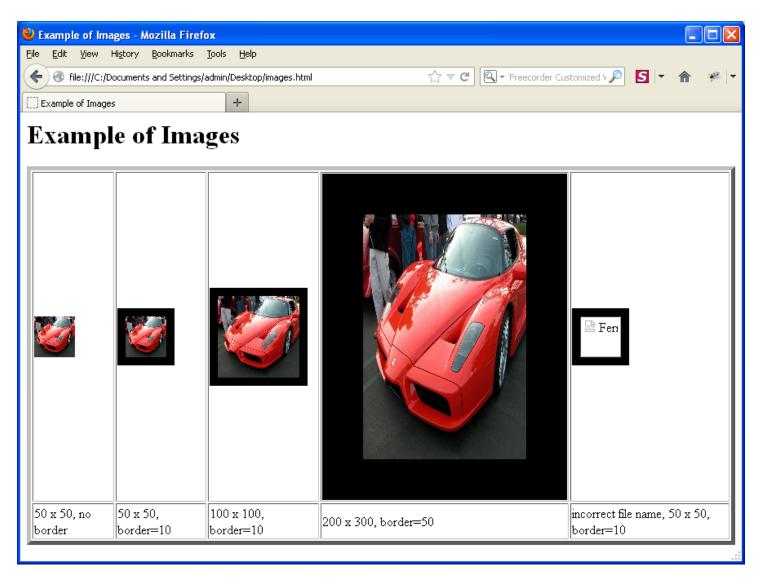
 Element

- The IMG element embeds an image in the current document, e.g.
- Some attributes of include
 - Align=top, middle, or bottom to align text around an image
 - border to place a border around an image
 - If set to 1 or higher, places a black box around the image
 - If set to 0, leaves no surrounding box
 - height and width to control the dimensions of the image
 - Alt to replace an image with text, if the image is unavailable or a text browser is used; e.g., <IMG SRC="eiffel.gif" ALT="picture of the Eiffel</pre> Tower">

Example - Images

```
<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>Example of Images/HEAD>
<BODY>
<H1>Example of Images</H1>
<IMG SRC="ferrari.jpg" ALT="Ferrari" BORDER=0 WIDTH=50 HEIGHT=50>
<IMG SRC="ferrari.jpg" ALT="Ferrari" BORDER=10 WIDTH=50 HEIGHT=50>
<IMG SRC="ferrari.jpg" ALT="Ferrari" BORDER=10 WIDTH=100
HETGHT=100>
<IMG SRC="ferrari.jpg" ALT="Ferrari" BORDER=50 WIDTH=200
HEIGHT=300>
<IMG SRC="xferrari.jpg" ALT="Ferrari" BORDER=10 WIDTH=50
HEIGHT=50>
\langle t.r \rangle
50 \times 50, no border
50 \times 50, border=10
100 x 100, border=10
200 x 300, border=50
incorrect file name, 50 x 50, border=10
</BODY></HTML>
```

Browser Output



Active Images

- Active images are images that can be clicked and, just like an anchor, they act as a hypertext link
 -
 -
 - Active images have a border around them and the cursor changes shape when passed over

Image Maps

- Image maps are active images with multiple clickable regions
- each region can be associated with a specific action (e.g., retrieve a document, run a program, etc.)
- When the region is activated by the user, e.g. by a mouse click, the action is taken
 - the pixel coordinates are interpreted by the browser (USEMAP).

An ImageMap Example from Wikipedia



To see the ImageMap work go to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image_map and click on each of the individuals at the table

<map id="ImageMap_1_2013620197" name="ImageMap 1 2013620197"> <area title="Dr Johnson – Dictionary writer" alt="Dr Johnson – Dictionary writer" coords="133,343,124,287,159,224,189,228,195,291,222, 311,209,343,209,354,243,362,292,466,250,463" shape="poly" href="/wiki/Samuel Johnson"> <area title="Boswell – Biographer" alt="Boswell" coords="76,224,84,255,43,302,62,400,123,423,121,361, 137,344,122,290,111,234,96,225" shape="poly" href="/wiki/James Boswell"> <area title="Sir Joshua Reynolds – Host" alt="Sir Joshua Reynolds – Host" coords="190,276,208,240,229,228,247,238,250,258,286, 319,282,323,223,323,220,301,200,295" shape="poly" href="/wiki/Joshua Reynolds">

Imagemaps

- Add USEMAP attribute to tag to indicate a clientside imagemap, e.g.
 -
- Different regions of the image are described using <MAP> taq, e.q.
- <MAP NAME="bannerbar">
- <AREA SHAPE="RECT" COORDS="10,10,50,50" HREF="p1.html">
- <AREA SHAPE="RECT" COORDS="50,10,90,50" HREF="p2.html">
- <AREA SHAPE="RECT" COORDS="90,10,130,50" HREF="p3.html">
- <AREA NOHREF SHAPE=default>
- </MAP>
- Possible values for SHAPE are:
- -default: Specifies the entire region.
- -rect: Defines a rectangular region.
- -circle: Defines a circular region.
- -poly: Defines a polygonal region.

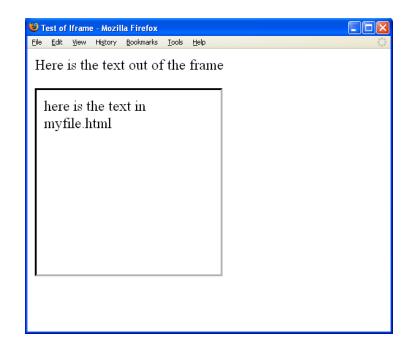
Inline Frames (IFRAME Element)

 Insert a frame within a block of text; information is designated by SRC attribute;
 <title>Test of Iframe</title>

<body>Here is the text out of the frame

<IFRAME src=myfile.html width=200 height=200 scrolling=auto frameborder=1>

</IFRAME> </body>



<META> Element

• allows you to insert Name/Value pairs describing document properties, e.g.

<META NAME="Author" CONTENT="Ellis Horowitz">

• USC CS dept home page header

<META name = "description" content = "The Computer" Science Department at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles (USC) provides education leading to the Bachelors, Masters and Ph.D. degrees in Computer Science.">

<META name = "keywords" content = "USC, computer science, computer science research, computer science teaching"> <META name = "author" content = "Ellis Horowitz">

<META> Element

- Moving a Web page to a new site
- <HTML><HEAD>
- <META HTTP-EQUIV="REFRESH" CONTENT="5; URL=http://</pre> www.usc.edu/dept/cs/">
- <META NAME="GENERATOR" CONTENT="Mozilla/4.04 [en] (Win95; I)</pre> [Netscape]">
- <TITLE>This site has moved</TITLE></HEAD>
- <BODY><CENTER>This site has moved to a new location which is:
- http://www.usc.edu/ dept/cs/

- Your browser should automatically move to the correct URL in five seconds.
- </CENTER></BODY></HTML>

Meta Tag and Robot Exclusion

<meta name="robots" content="noindex, nofollow"> <title>...</title> </head> <body> ...

- The content of the Robots META tag contains directives separated by commas.
- The currently defined directives are
 - [NO] INDEX. The INDEX directive specifies if an indexing robot should index the page.
 - [NO]FOLLOW The FOLLOW directive specifies if a robot is to follow links on the page.
 - The defaults are INDEX and FOLLOW. The values ALL and NONE set all directives on or off: ALL=INDEX, FOLLOW and NONE=NOINDEX, NOFOLLOW.
- Some examples:

```
<meta name="robots" content="index,follow">
<meta name="robots" content="noindex,follow">
<meta name="robots" content="index,nofollow">
<meta name="robots" content="noindex, nofollow"> Note the
  "robots" name of the tag and the content are case
  insensitive
```

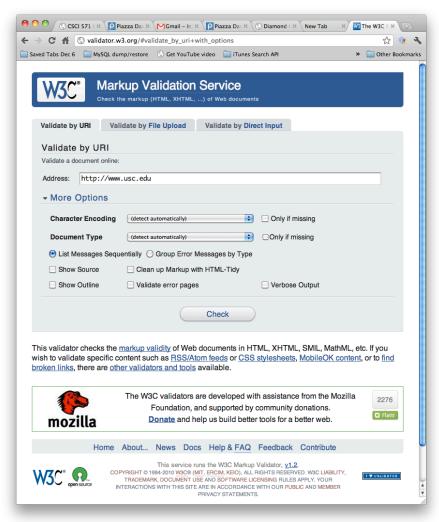
Validating Your HTML

- The reasons for validation
 - Browsers display HTML differently
 - Browsers treat HTML errors differently
- What validators do
 - Flag syntax errors with respect to HTML DTD
 - Compare your pages to HTML 4.x, XHTML, and even HTML 5.0 (experimental)
- Some tools are downloaded to your site; others read your Web page from a URL
- HTML validation tools can be found at: http://search.yahoo.com/bin/search?p=html+validation
- W3C Markup Validation Service:

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http://validator.w3.org/
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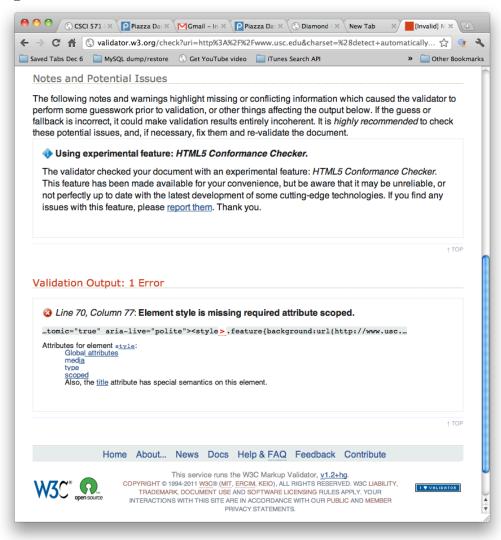
W3C Markup Validation Service

• Options: character encoding & Document type



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Sample output



<APPLET> and <EMBED> Elements

- <APPLET> allows designers to embed a Java applet in an HTML document
- It has been deprecated in favor of the EMBED element
- EMBED has attributed: height, width, src, type (MIME)
- An example,
- <embed type="video/quicktime" src="movie.mov" width="640"</pre> height="480">
- <embed width="400" height="50" src="bookmark.swf">
- high profile video-sharing web sites like YouTube promote embed markup
- <embed width="420" height="345" src="http://www.youtube.com/v/XGSy3 Czz8k" type="application/x-shockwave-flash">

HTML Tidy

- a W3C open source program for fixing HTML
- converts presentation markup to CSS
- cleans up HTML produced by Microsoft Word
- converts HTML to XHTML standards, e.g.

<h1>heading

<h2>subheading</h3>

is converted to

<h1>heading</h1>

<h2>subheading</h2>

• Supported by W3C Markup Validator Service located at:

http://www.w3.org/People/Raggett/tidy/