INFO 151
Web Systems and Services

Week 2 (T2)

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Overview

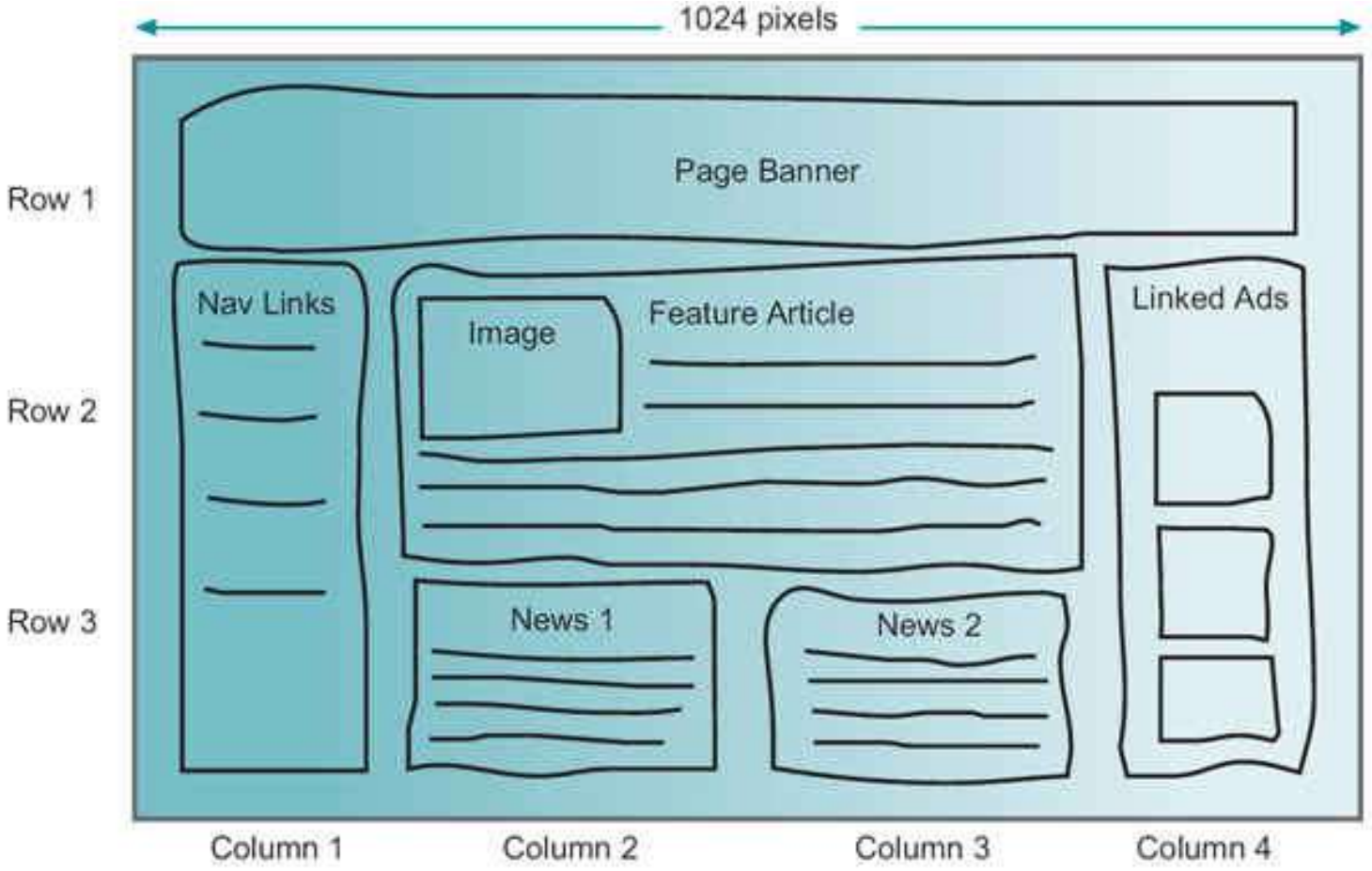
- In this session we will consider:
  - Creating Frames
  - Inline frames (<iframe>)
  - The use of frames
  - Forms
  - Data input methods in forms
  - Adding multimedia
  - The future of the WWW

Frames
Forms
Adding Multimedia

Frames
Inline frames

Frames in Web-Page Layout

- Web-page creation requires the page layout to be designed
- As shown in the figure areas of a web-page can be allocated for specific uses
- Frames (and nested frames can be used) to build a web-page layout and navigation



Frames

- To create frames two HTML tags are used:
  - The <frameset> tag (which replaces the <body> tag in the HTML document)
  - The <frame> tag
- HTML support:
  - Frames and the <frameset> and <frame> tags are supported in HTML 4
  - The <frameset> and <frame> tags are not supported in HTML 5
  - Frames are ***deprecated*** in HTML 5
  - The frames element has been replaced in HTML 5 by HTML Layouts with CSS
- Important: to validate a web-page with frames:
  - It is essential that the <!DOCTYPE> is set to either
  - HTML Frameset DTD (or)
  - XHTML Frameset DTD

<frameset>

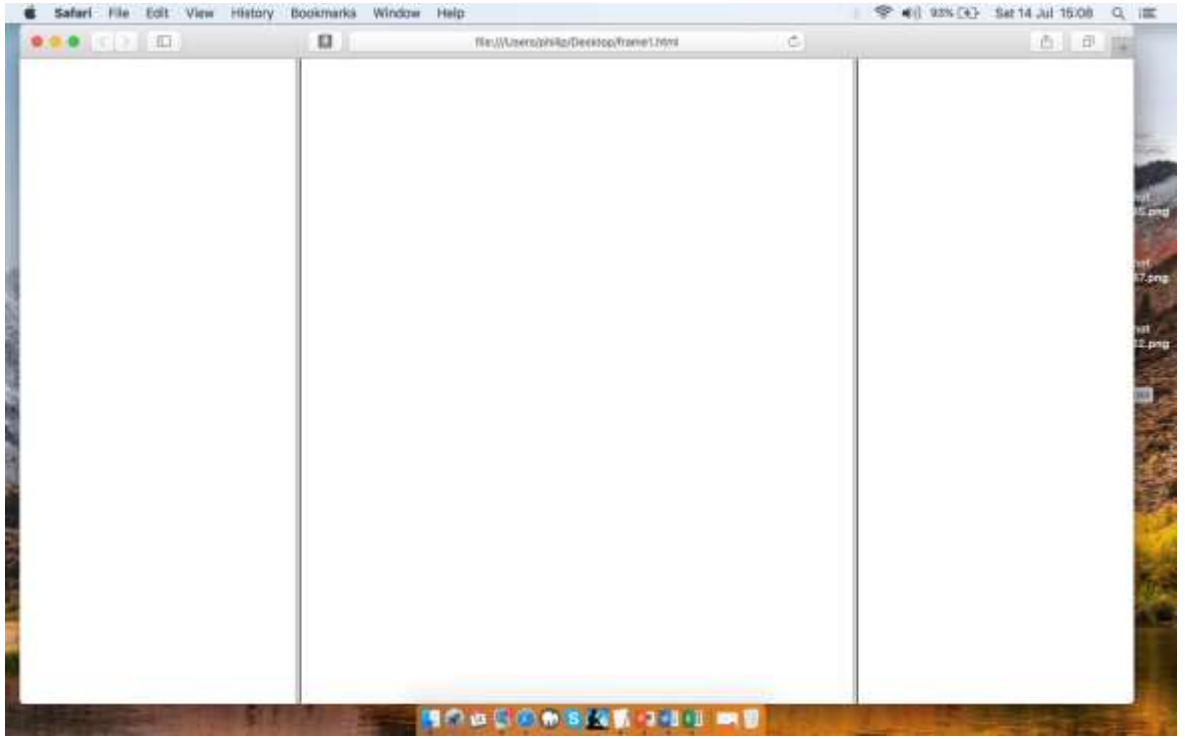
- The <frameset> element
  - Holds one or more <frame> element(s)
  - Each <frame> element can hold a separate HTML document
  - Specifies the number of columns and / or rows in a <frameset>
  - Specifies the size (the amount of space occupied by the frame)
  - The size is represented as either
    - A percentage (%) of the width of the browser window
      - The actual size varies according to the browser and the screen resolution
    - In pixels
      - This will produce a fixed size – the browser will introduce scroll bars where needed

<frame>

- The <frame> tag defines one particular window (or frame) within a <frameset> and each <frame> in a <frameset> can have different attributes:
  - frameborder: *specifies whether or not to display a border around a frame*
  - longdesc: *specifies a page that contains a long description of the content of a frame*
  - marginheight: *specifies the top and bottom margins of a frame*
  - marginwidth: *specifies the left and right margins of a frame*
  - name: *specifies the name of a frame*
  - noresize: *specifies that a frame is not resizable*
  - scrolling: *specifies whether or not to display scrollbars in a frame*
  - src: *specifies the URL of the document to show in a frame*

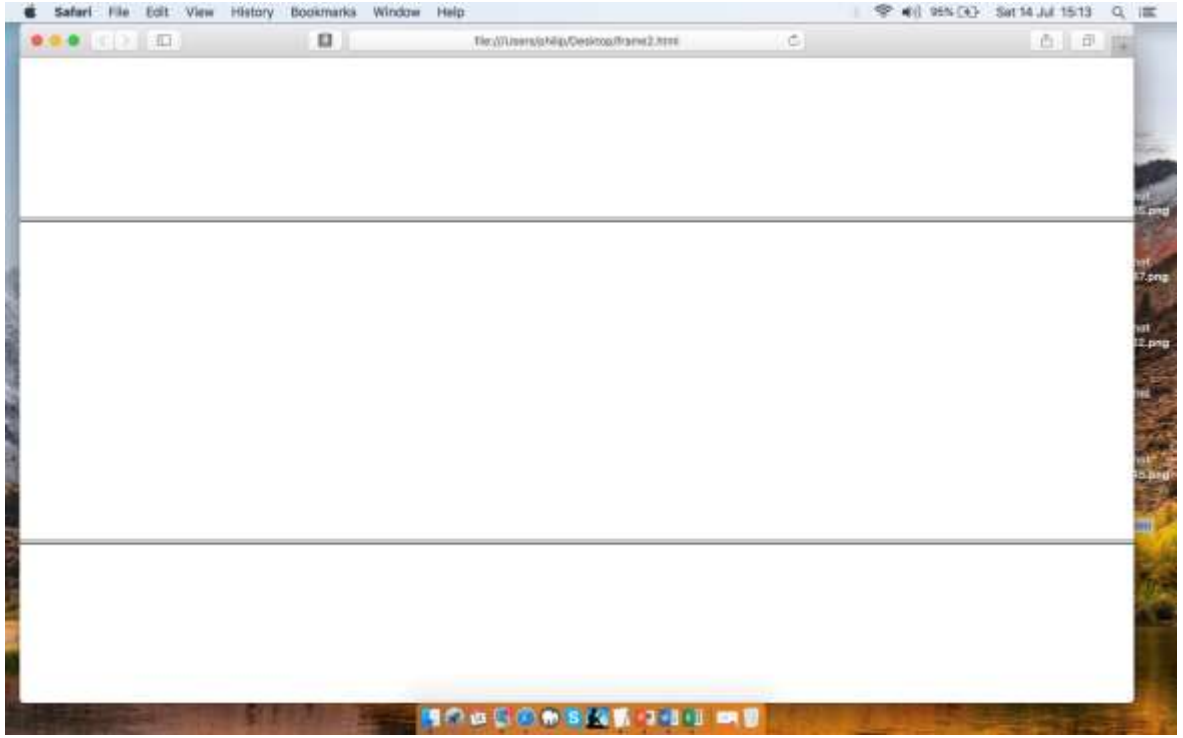
Horizontal Frames

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<frameset cols="25%,*,25%">
  <frame src="frame_a.htm">
  <frame src="frame_b.htm">
  <frame src="frame_c.htm">
</frameset>
</html>
```



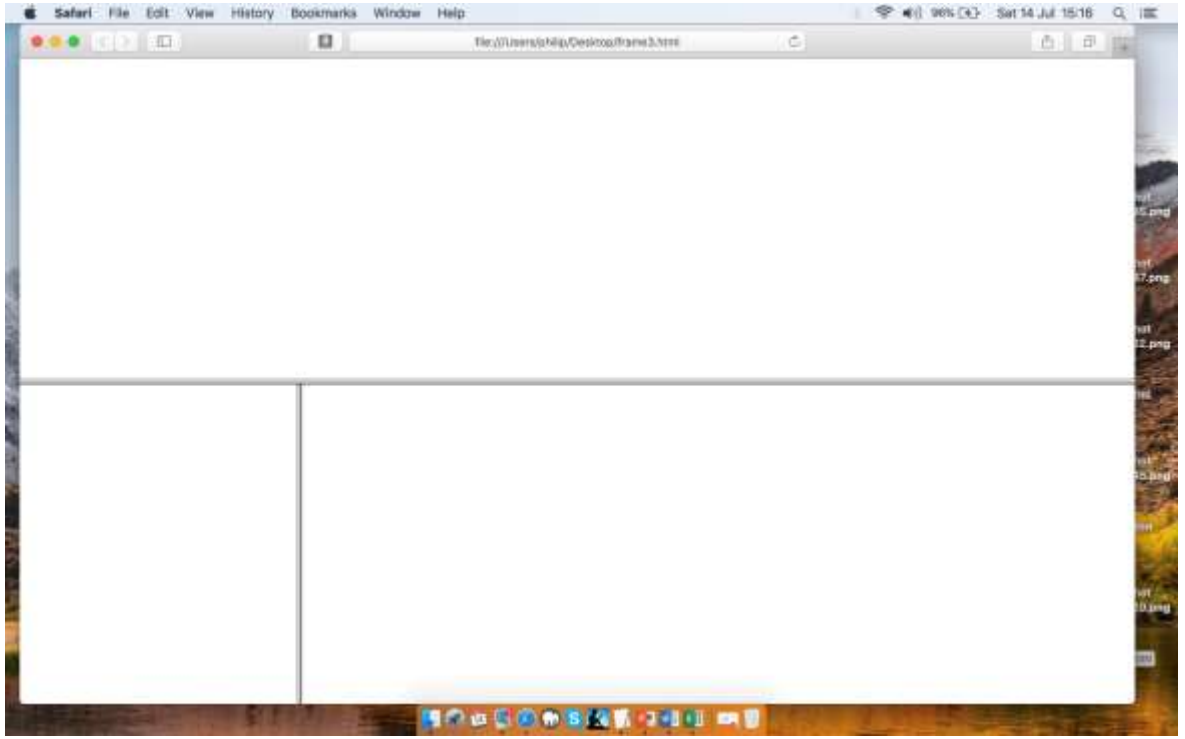
Vertical Frames

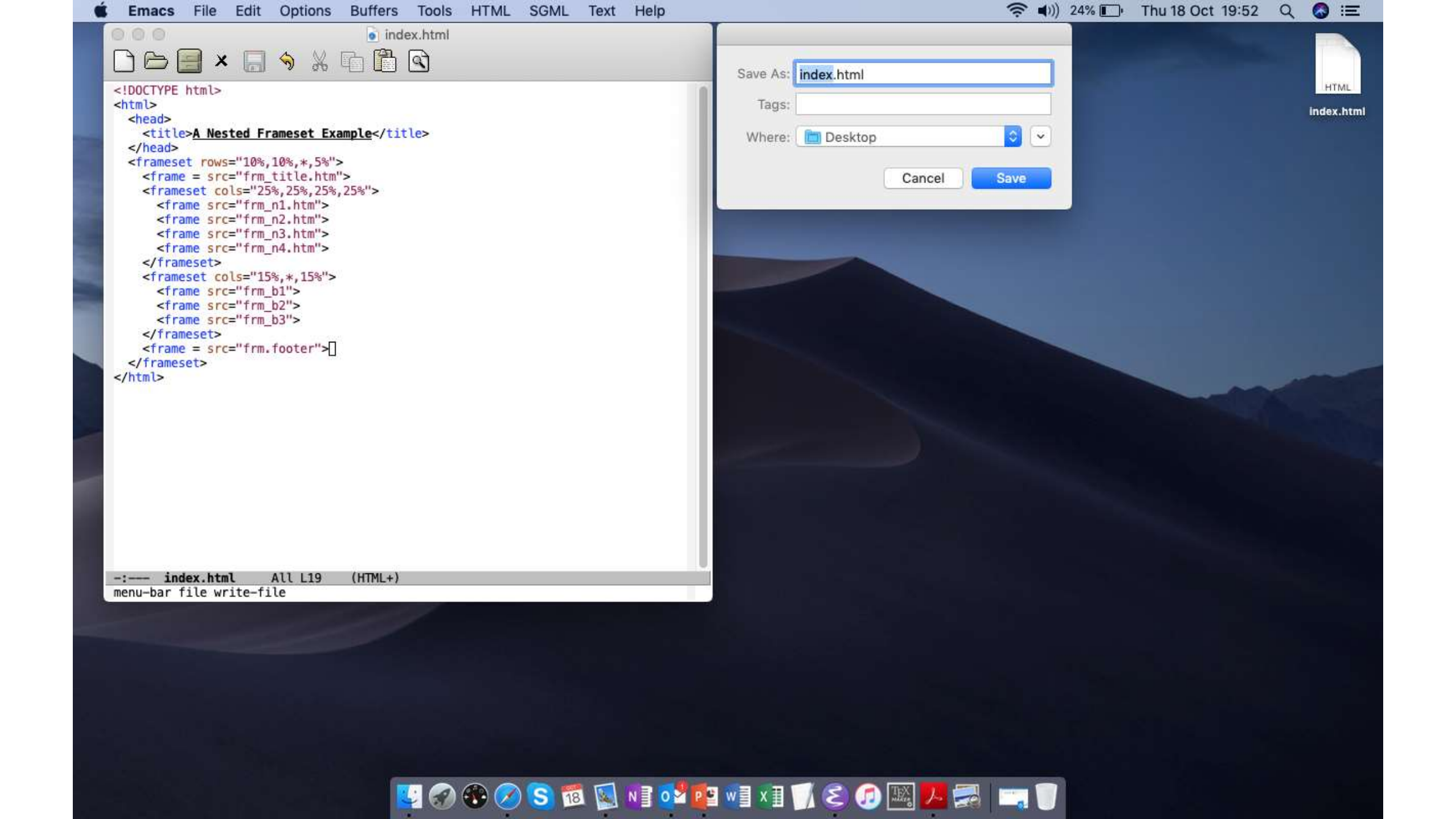
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<frameset rows="25%,*,25%">
  <frame src="frame_a.htm">
  <frame src="frame_b.htm">
  <frame src="frame_c.htm">
</frameset>
</html>
```



Nested Frames

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<frameset rows="50%,50%">
  <frame src="frame_a.htm">
  <frameset cols="25%,75%">
    <frame src="frame_b.htm">
    <frame src="frame_c.htm">
  </frameset>
</frameset>
</html>
```

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index.html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>A Nested Frameset Example</title>
</head>
<frameset rows="10%,10%,*,5%">
<frame = src="frm_title.htm">
<frameset cols="25%,25%,25%,25%">
<frame src="frm_n1.htm">
<frame src="frm_n2.htm">
<frame src="frm_n3.htm">
<frame src="frm_n4.htm">
</frameset>
<frameset cols="15%,*,15%">
<frame src="frm_b1">
<frame src="frm_b2">
<frame src="frm_b3">
</frameset>
<frame = src="frm.footer">
</frameset>
</html>
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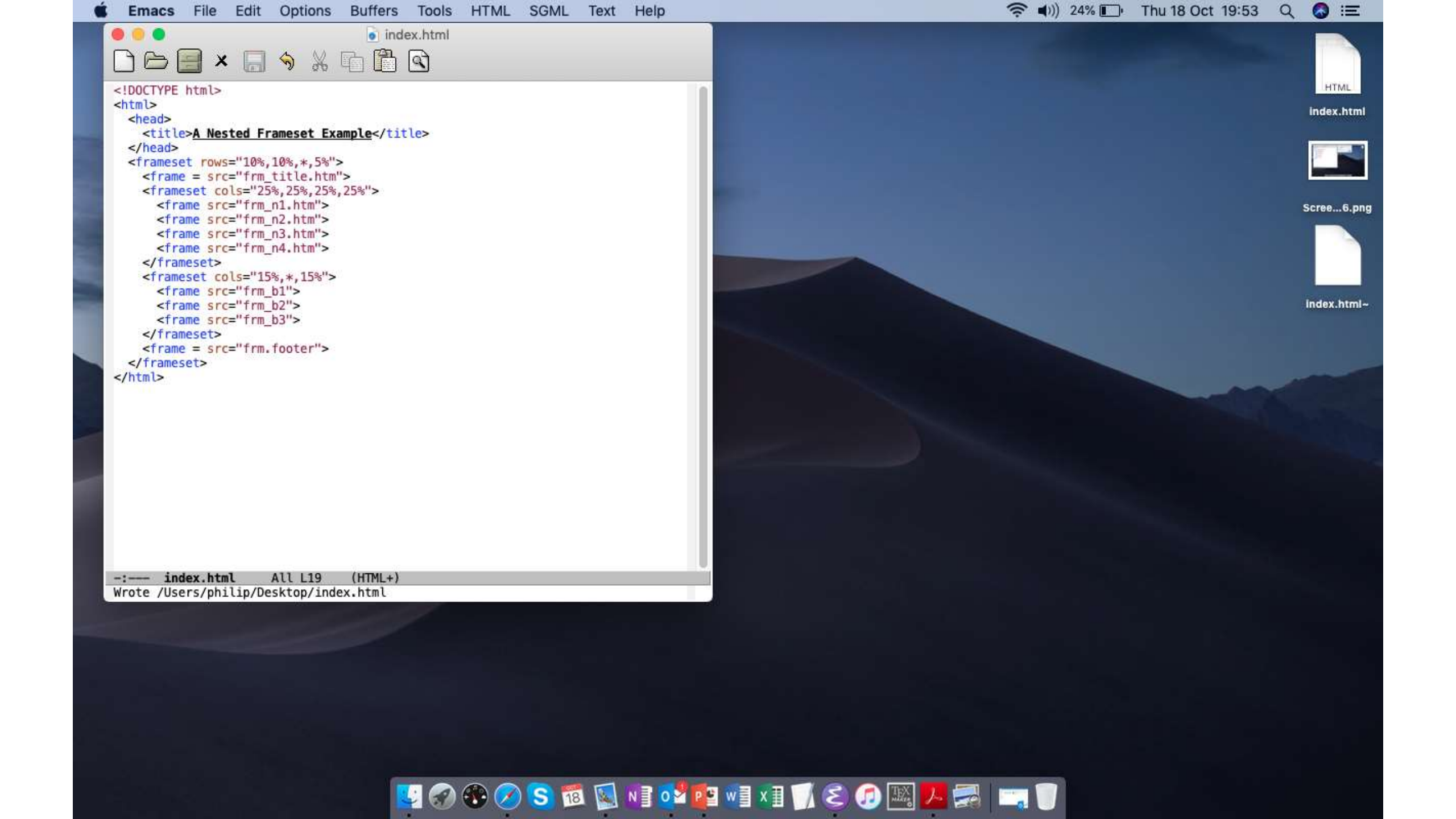
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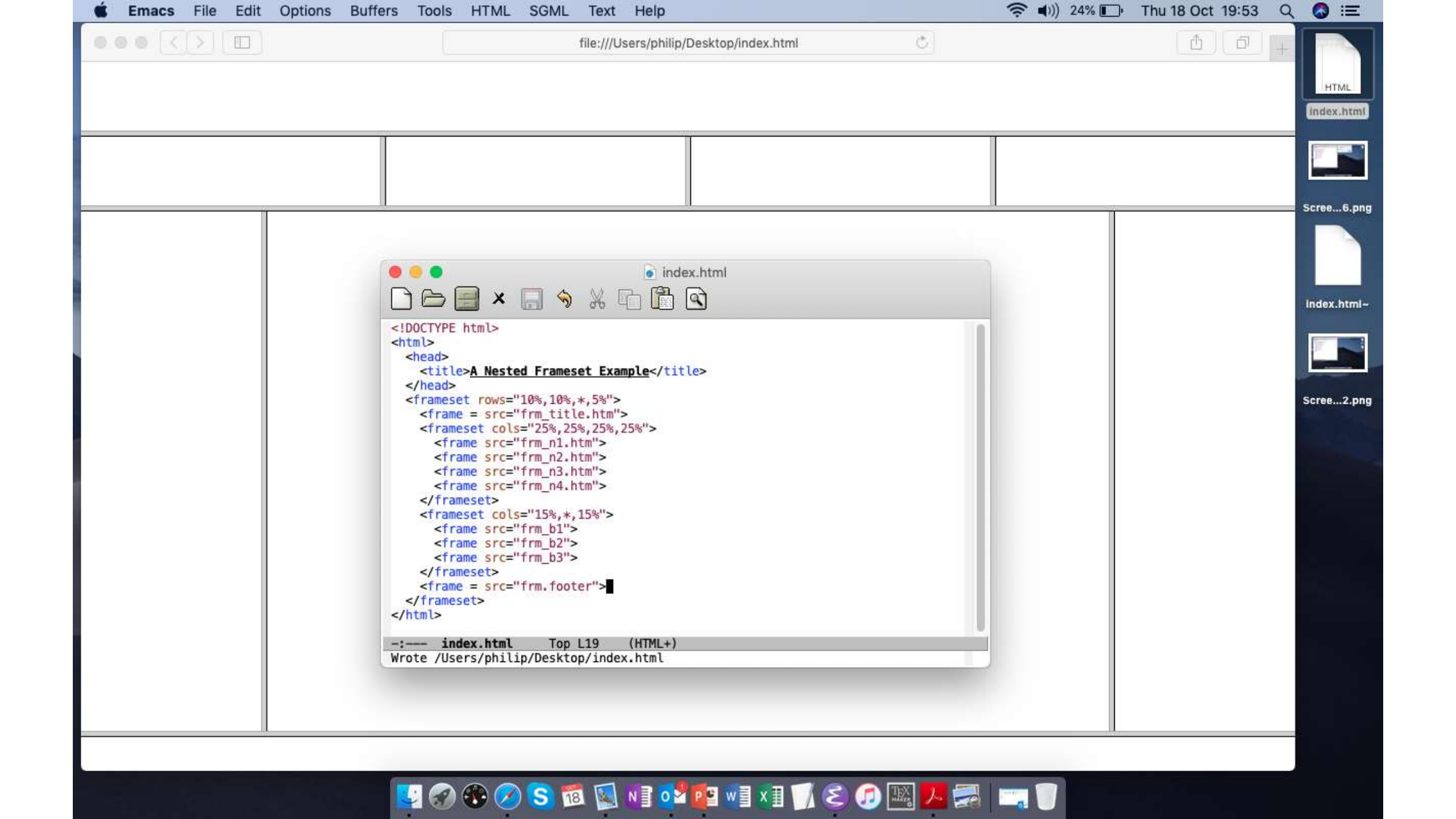
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<frame src="frm_n3.htm">
<frame src="frm_n4.htm">
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<frame src="frm_b3">
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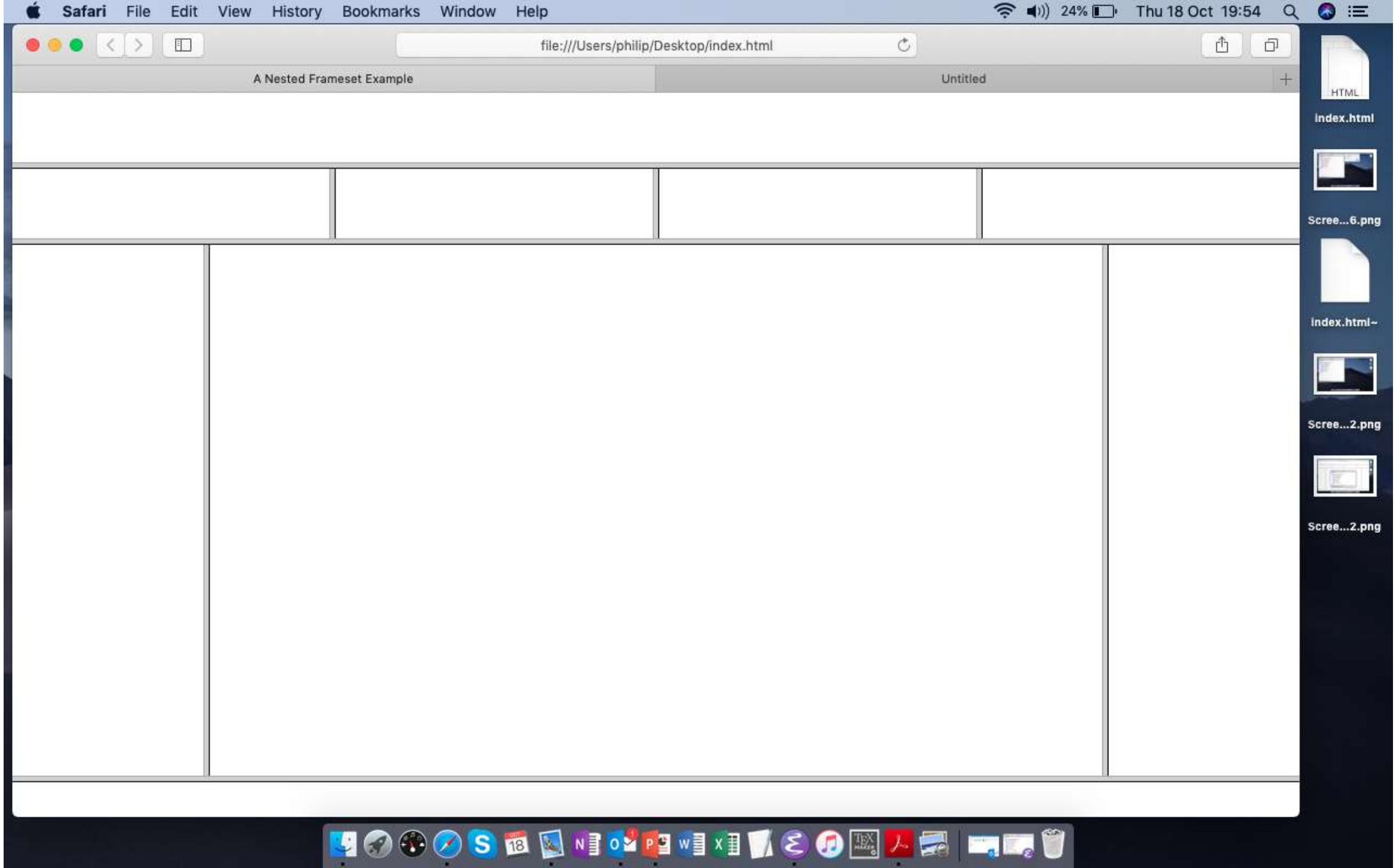
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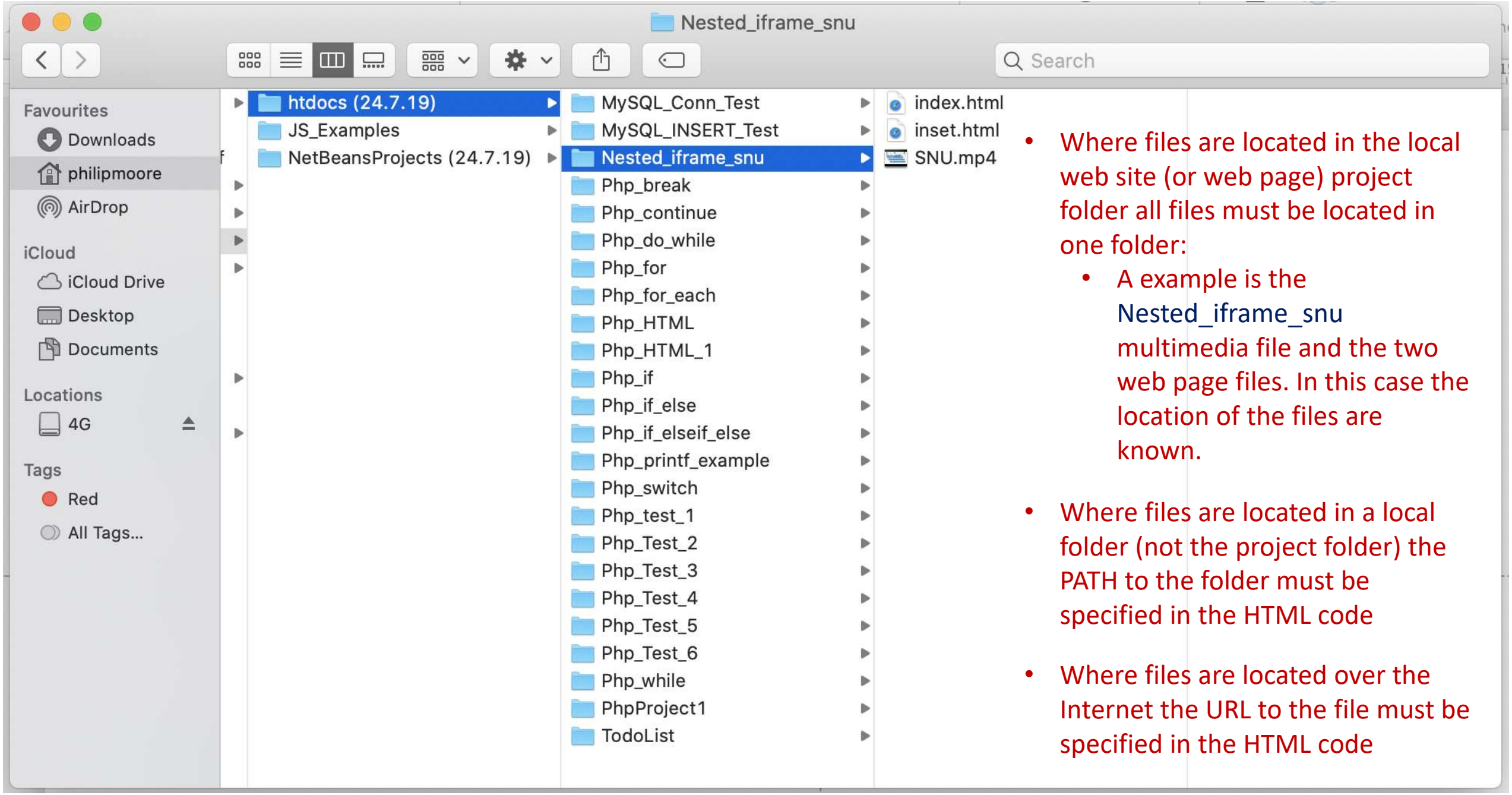
Inline Frames (<iframe>)

- The <iframe> tag specifies an inline frame which is used to embed another document within the current HTML document: the same function achieved using the <frameset> and <frame> tags
- To work with browsers that do not support <iframe>
  - add an alternative text between the opening <iframe> tag and the closing </iframe> tag
- While style may be embedded in an HTML document it is recommended that a CSS is used to style <iframe> (including scrollbars)
- There are differences Between HTML 4 and HTML5: in HTML5 there are additional new attributes with several HTML 4.01 attributes are removed from HTML5
- There are differences Between HTML and XHTML: in XHTML the <name> attribute is ***deprecated*** and will be removed - use the *global id attributes* (w3schools.com)

Example <iframe> Implementation



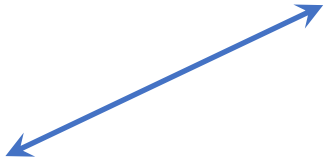
- Where files are located in the local web site (or web page) project folder all files must be located in one folder:
  - A example is the Nested_iframe_snu multimedia file and the two web page files. In this case the location of the files are known.
- Where files are located in a local folder (not the project folder) the PATH to the folder must be specified in the HTML code
- Where files are located over the Internet the URL to the file must be specified in the HTML code

inset.html Link

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<!--In this example I have used a local file
You may also use a url such as: https://www.google.co.uk/...
-->
<html>
   <head>
      <meta charset="utf-8">
      <title>nested iframe</title>
   </head>
   <body>
      <iframe width="600" height="355" src="SNU.mp4" style="border:0"></iframe>
   </body>
</html>
```

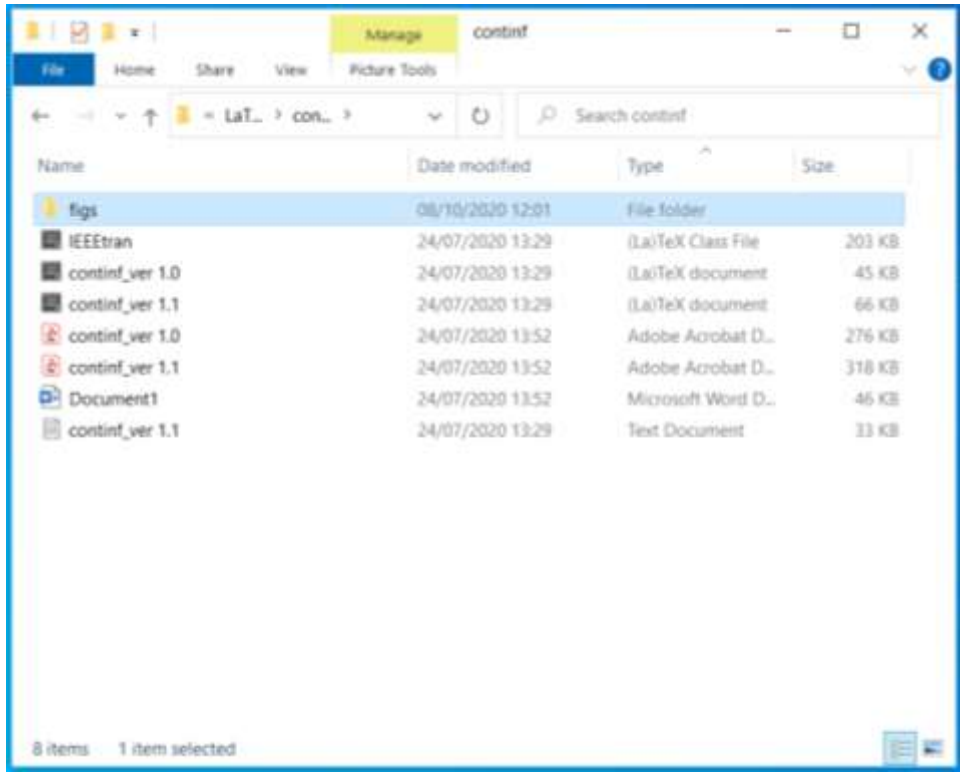
Where the mp4 file is located in a separate folder (e.g., figs) the link to the mp4 file would be:

src="figs/SNU.mp4"

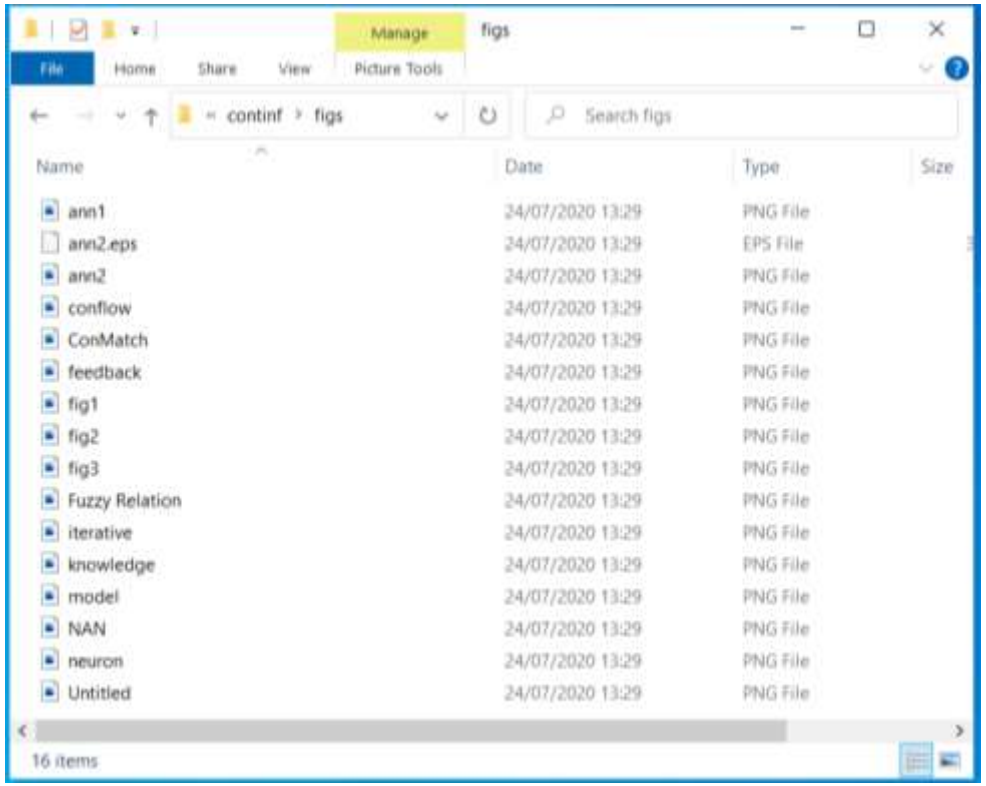


Example File Structure

Project File Structure

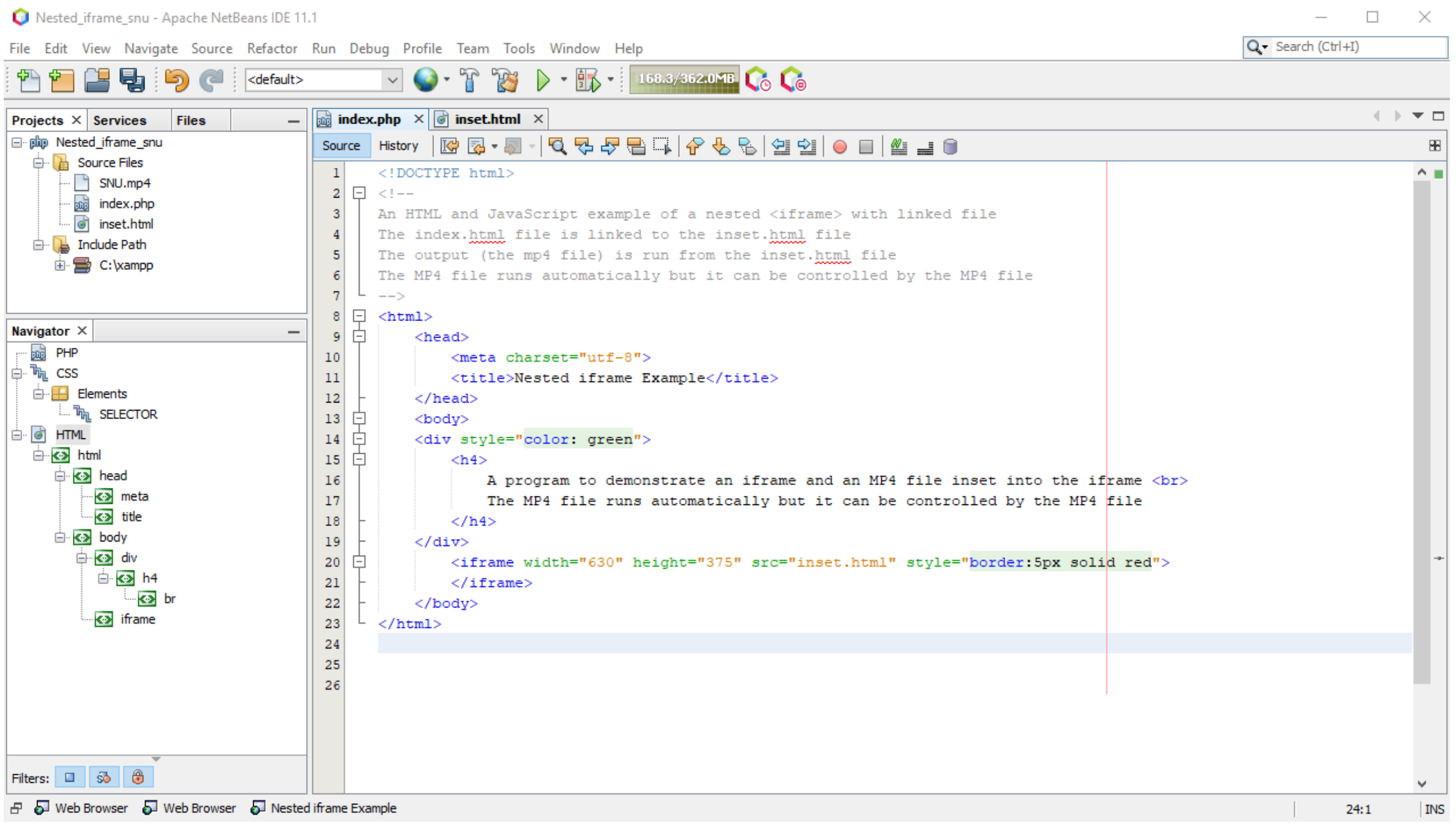


figs Folder Structure



index.html

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <title>Nested iframe Example</title>
  </head>
  <body>
  <div style="color: green">
    <h4>
      A program to demonstrate an iframe and an MP4 file inset into the iframe <br>
      The MP4 file runs automatically but it can be controlled by the MP4 file
    </h4>
  </div>
    <iframe width="630" height="375" src="inset.html" style="border:5px solid red"></iframe>
  </body>
</html>
```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1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <!--
3 An HTML and JavaScript example of a nested <iframe> with linked file
4 The index.html file is linked to the inset.html file
5 The output (the mp4 file) is run from the inset.html file
6 The MP4 file runs automatically but it can be controlled by the MP4 file
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8 <html>
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11 <title>Nested iframe Example</title>
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21 </iframe>
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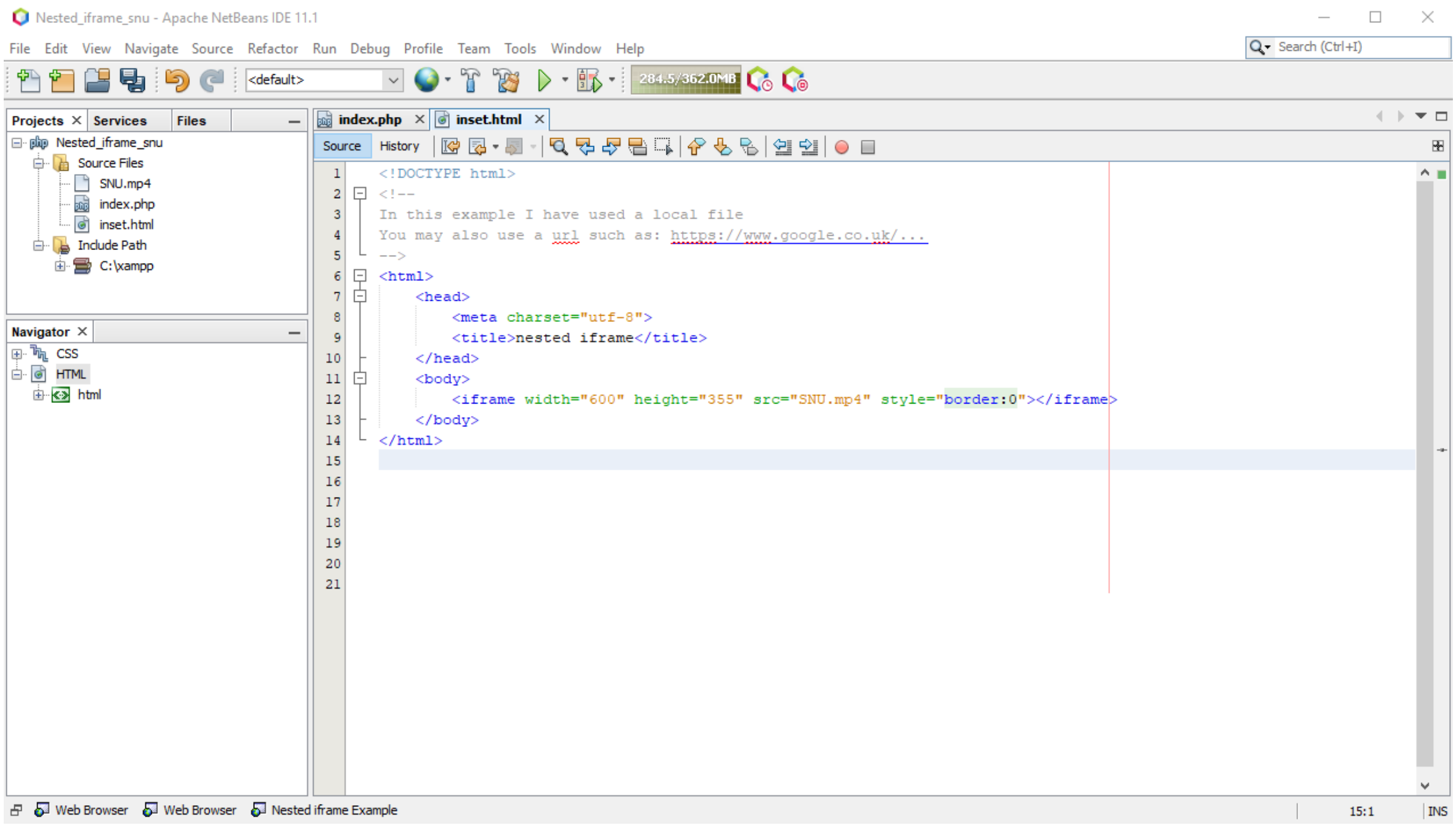
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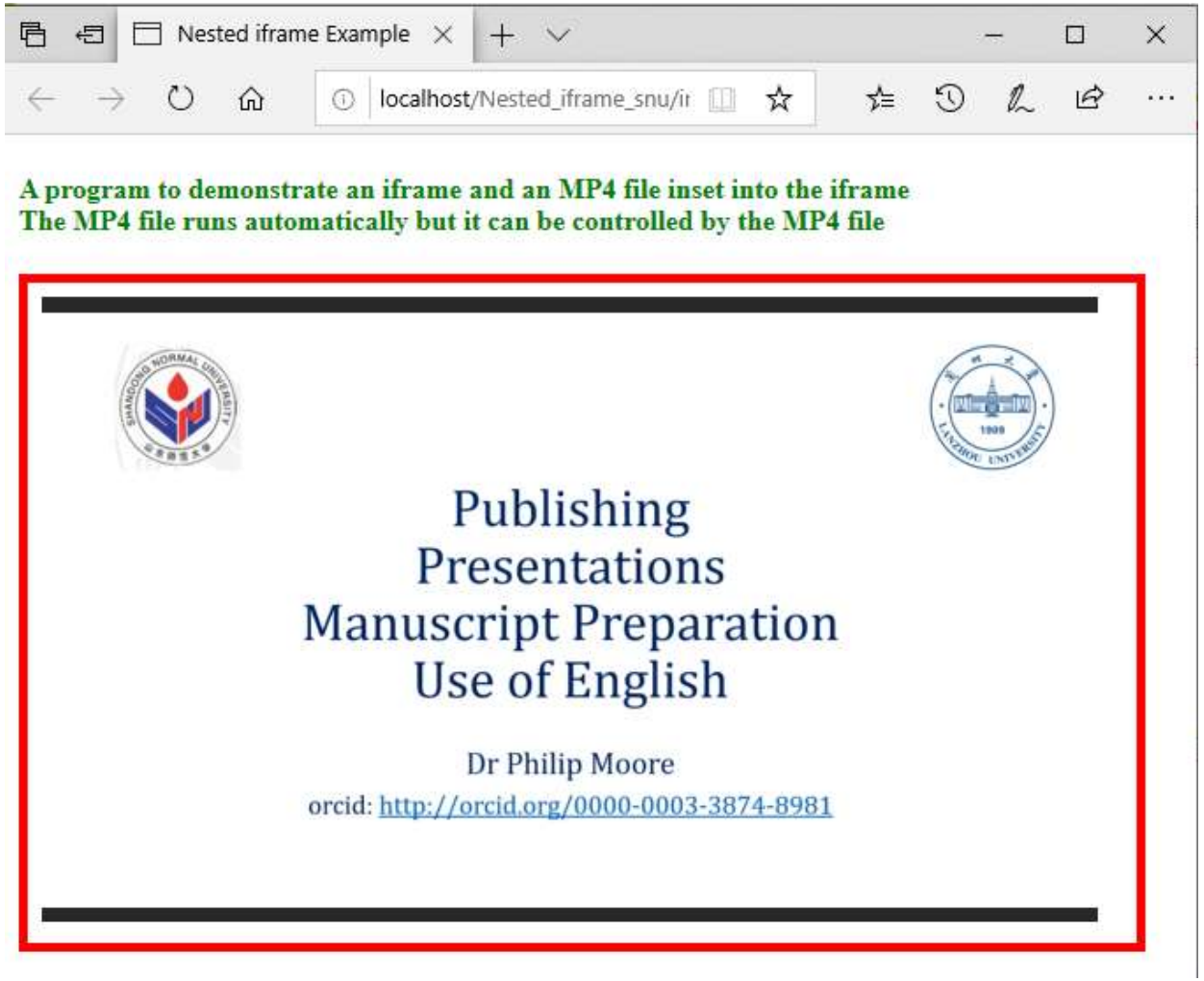
The Output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The MP4 file runs automatically but it can be controlled by the MP4 file
Publishing
Presentations
Manuscript Preparation
Use of English
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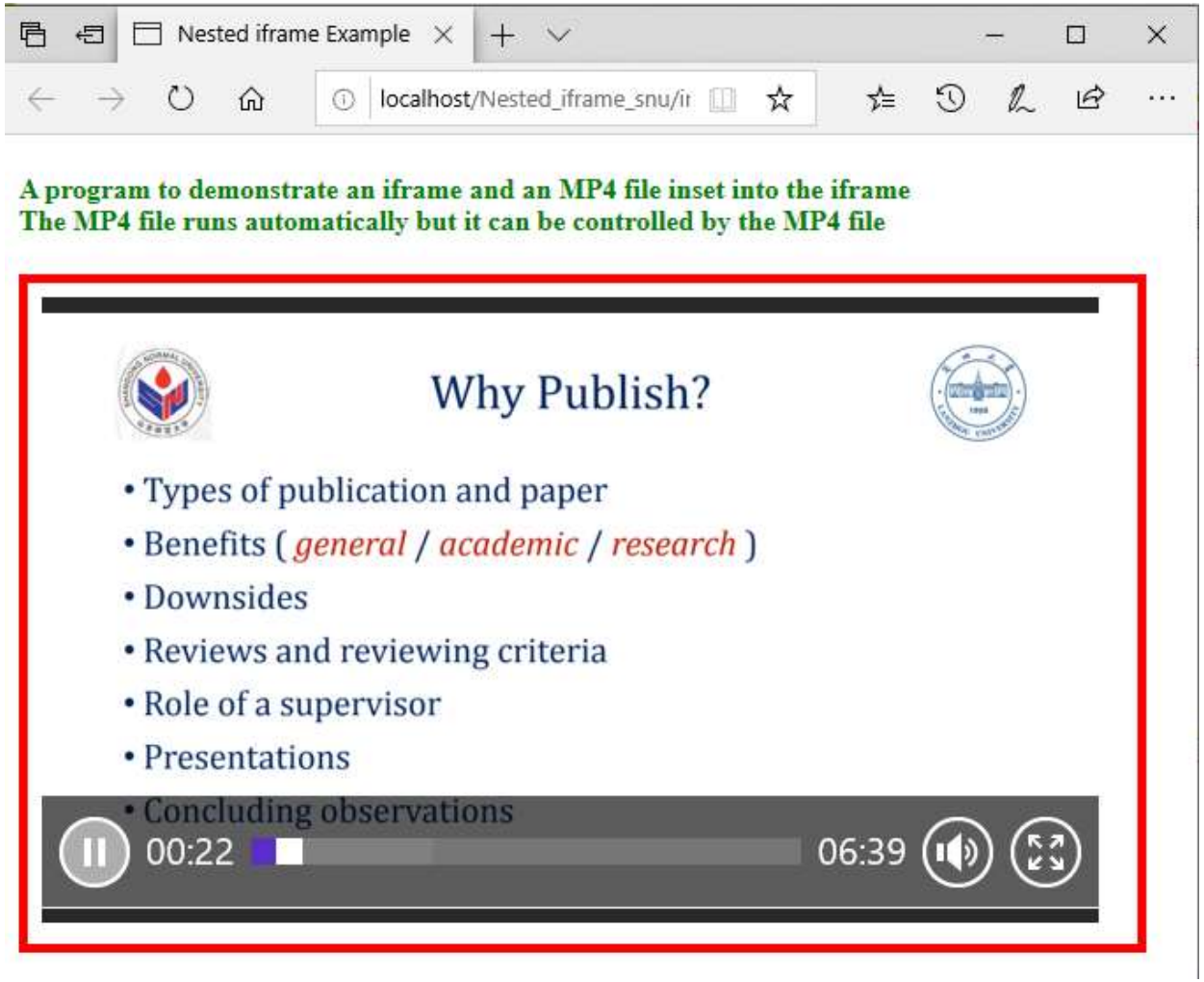
The Output Control



Forms

Creating Forms

- Creating forms is an important feature in web-systems created using HTML 5.
- A comprehensive introduction to forms can be located at
  - w3schools.com
- Creating forms uses form functions:
  - HTML form *elements*
  - HTML form *input types*
  - HTML form *attributes*

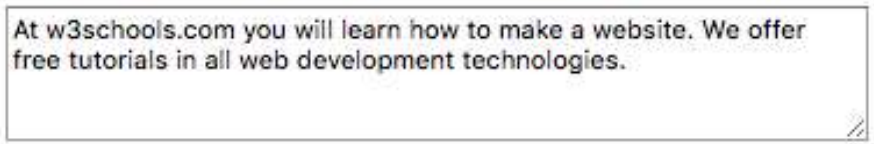
Defined Text Area

Run »

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<textarea rows="4" cols="50">
At w3schools.com you will learn how to make a website. We offer free
tutorials in all web development technologies.
</textarea>

</body>
</html>
```



Text Form Input

Run »

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h2>Text Input</h2>

<form>
  First name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="firstname">
  <br>
  Last name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="lastname">
</form>

<p>Note that the form itself is not visible.</p>

<p>Also note that the default width of a text input field is 20
characters.</p>

</body>
</html>
```

Result

Text Input

First name:

Last name:

Note that the form itself is not visible.

Also note that the default width of a text input field is 20 characters.

Submit Form Input

Run »

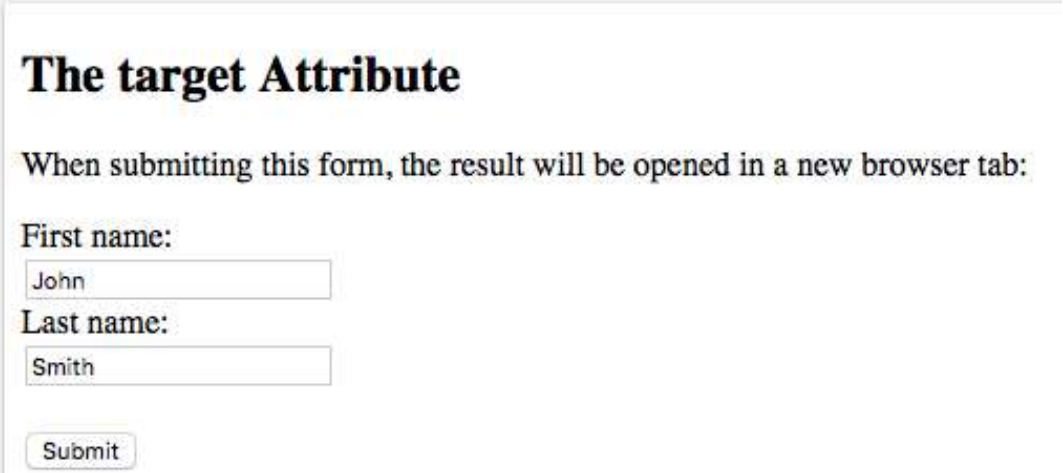
Result Size

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h2>The target Attribute</h2>
<p>When submitting this form, the result will be opened in a new
browser tab:</p>

<form action="/action_page.php" target="_blank">
  First name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="firstname" value="John">
  <br>
  Last name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="lastname" value="Smith">
  <br><br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>

</body>
</html>
```



Grouping Form Data

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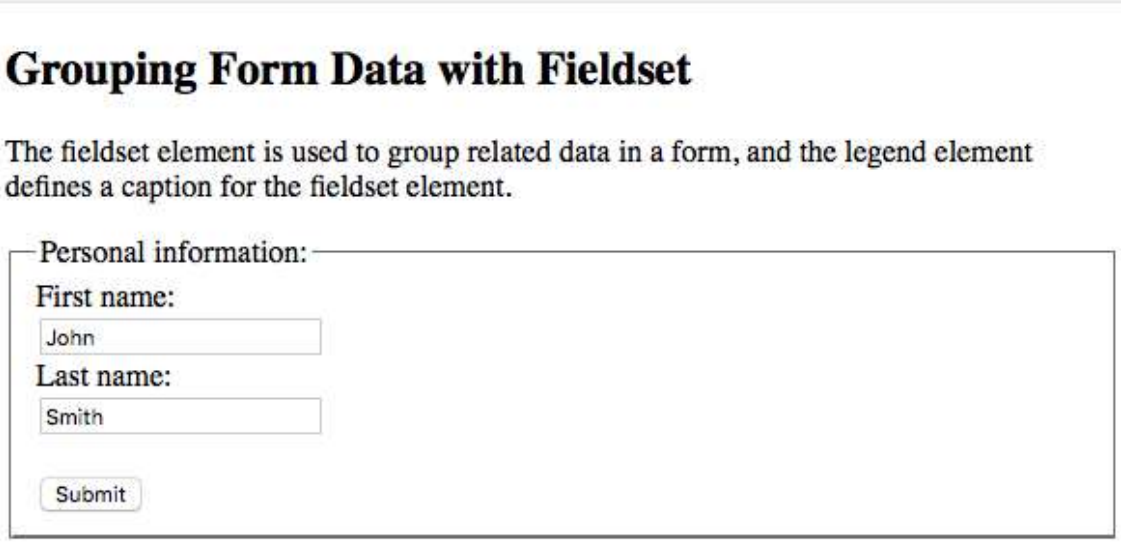
Result Size: 594 x 532

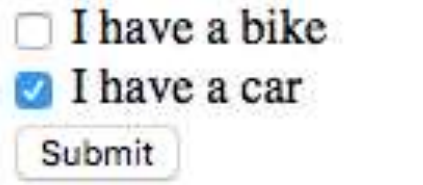
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h2>Grouping Form Data with Fieldset</h2>
<p>The fieldset element is used to group related data in a form, and
the legend element defines a caption for the fieldset element.</p>

<form action="/action_page.php">
  <fieldset>
    <legend>Personal information:</legend>
    First name:<br>
    <input type="text" name="firstname" value="John">
    <br>
    Last name:<br>
    <input type="text" name="lastname" value="Smith">
    <br><br>
    <input type="submit" value="Submit">
  </fieldset>
</form>

</body>
</html>
```



Checkbox

Run »

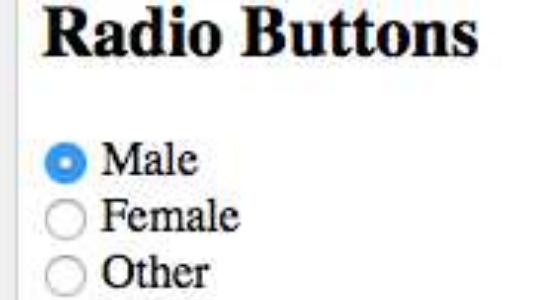
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<form action="/action_page.php" method="get">
  <input type="checkbox" name="vehicle" value="Bike"> I have a
bike<br>
  <input type="checkbox" name="vehicle" value="Car" checked> I have a
car<br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>

</body>
</html>
```



Radio Button

Run »

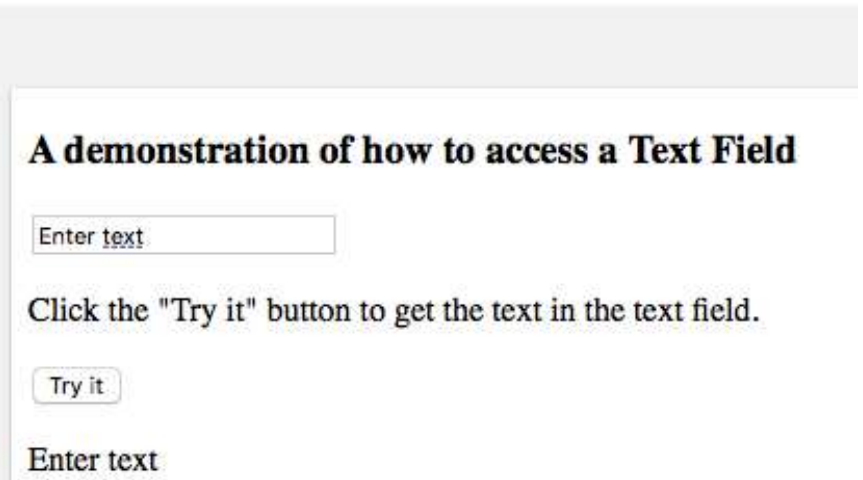
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h2>Radio Buttons</h2>

<form>
  <input type="radio" name="gender" value="male" checked> Male<br>
  <input type="radio" name="gender" value="female"> Female<br>
  <input type="radio" name="gender" value="other"> Other
</form>

</body>
</html>
```



Accessing a Text Field

Run »

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h3>A demonstration of how to access a Text Field</h3>

<input type="text" id="myText" value="Some text...">

<p>Click the "Try it" button to get the text in the text field.</p>

<button onclick="myFunction()">Try it</button>

<p id="demo"></p>

<script>
function myFunction() {
    var x = document.getElementById("myText").value;
    document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = x;
}
</script>

</body>
</html>
```



- The function call for the HTML onclick button event
- **Note**: the use of a JavaScript function to implement the form text input
- The form is created using HTML but Implementing the form requires the JavaScript function

Forms and Data Input

Forms and Data Input

- When considering the creation of forms and data input and processing we must consider:
  - Usability
  - Security
  - We will explore the usability / security 'trade-off' later
- Forms are used to collect data and information from users
- The data which may be collected includes:
  - email, personal information, text input
  - The processing of the information (requires JavaScript and PHP)
- In considering data input and processing there are 2 methods:
  - There are 2 methods for managing data input: ***GET*** and ***POST***

Why use GET (or) POST

- ***GET*** and ***POST*** are HTTP methods
- The motivation for selecting GET method (or) POST method
  - Essentially relates to Internet security
- The default input method is ***GET***
  - However there are significant security implications for users if GET input method is used
- The alternative input method is ***POST***
  - Where data security and sensitive personal information is entered and processed
  - The ***POST*** input method achieves improved security
- An overview of HTTP request and input methods can be found in the course resources

GET Input

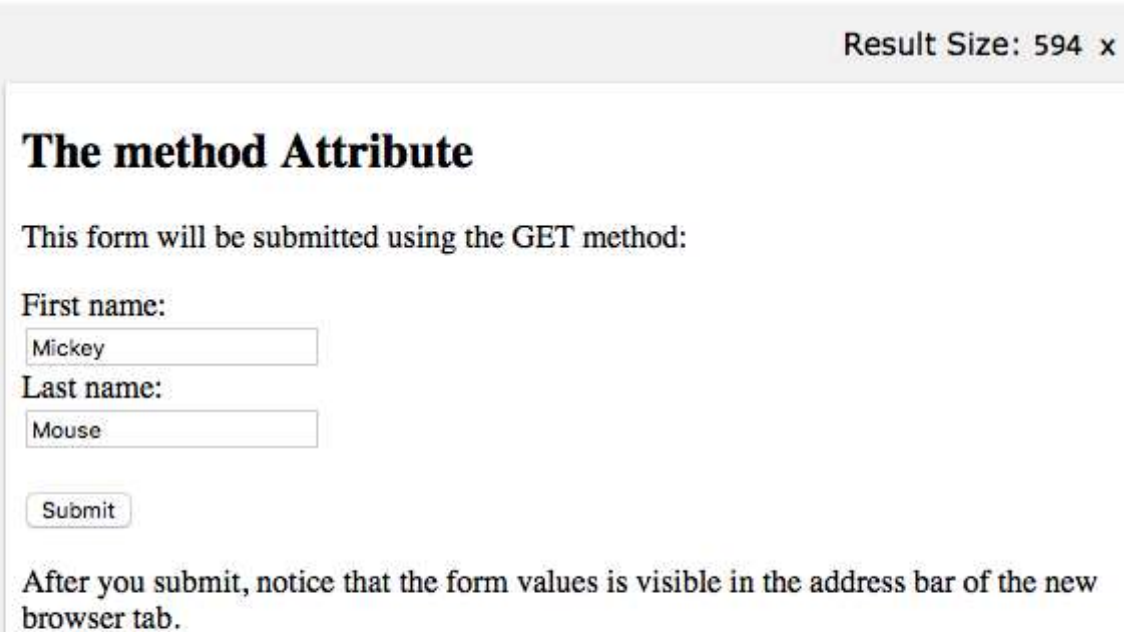
- The ***GET*** input method is the ***default*** method for data submission to an HTML 5 form
- When the ***GET*** method is used:
  - The form data submitted form data will be visible in the web-page address field
  - The form-data is appended to the URL in name/value pairs
  - The length of a URL is limited (approximately 3000 characters)
- In summary the ***GET*** method it is:
  - Never used for sensitive data (it will be visible in the URL)
  - Useful for form submission for bookmarking
  - Restricted to non-secure data (such as query strings)

GET Example

Run »

Result Size: 594 x

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h2>The method Attribute</h2>
<p>This form will be submitted using the GET method:</p>

<form action="/action_page.php" target="_blank" method="GET">
  First name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="firstname" value="John">
  <br>
  Last name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="lastname" value="Smith">
  <br><br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>

<p>After you submit, notice that the form values is visible in the
address bar of the new browser tab.</p>

</body>
</html>
```



The POST Input Method

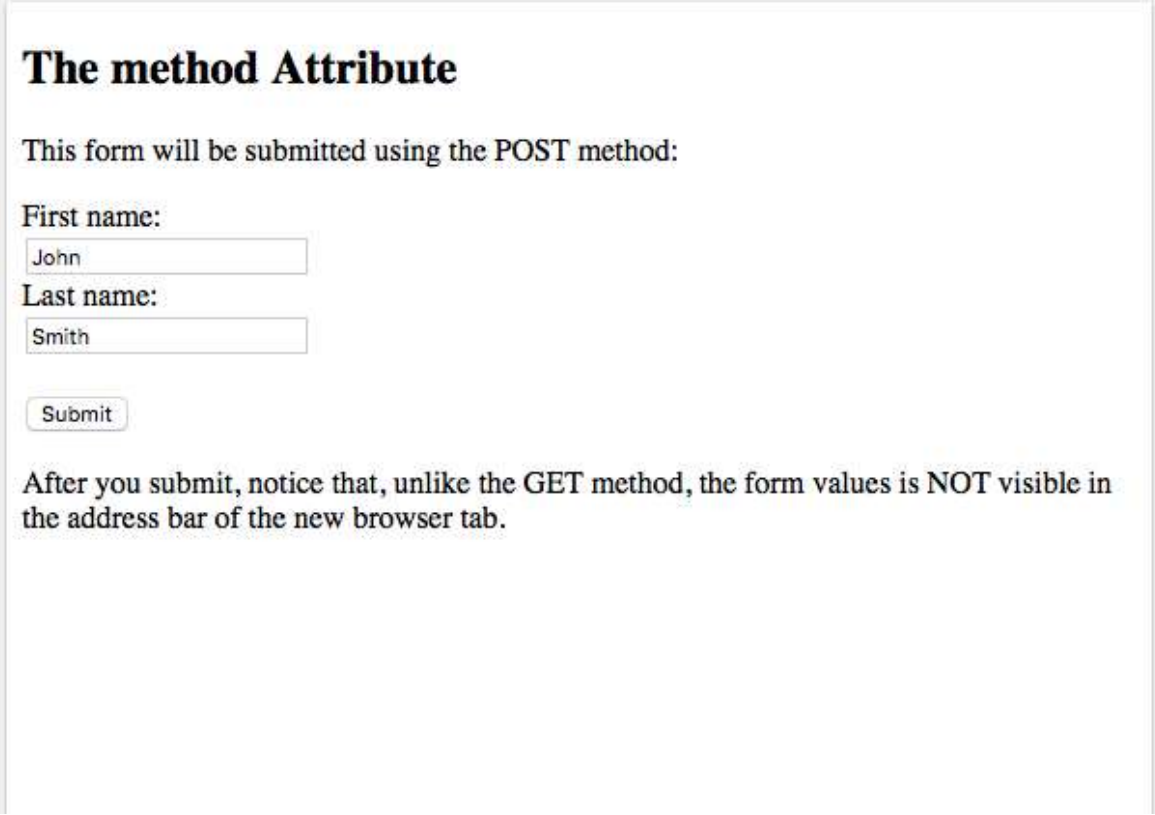
- The ***POST*** input method is the:
  - Preferred input method where data and information security is important
  - The form data contains sensitive or personal information.
- The ***POST*** input method:
  - Does not display the submitted form data in the page address field
  - Can be used to send large amounts of data
  - Form submissions using ***POST*** cannot be bookmarked with certainty

POST Example

Run »

Result Size: 594 x 532

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h2>The method Attribute</h2>
<p>This form will be submitted using the POST method:</p>

<form action="/action_page.php" target="_blank" method="POST">
  First name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="firstname" value="John">
  <br>
  Last name:<br>
  <input type="text" name="lastname" value="Smith">
  <br><br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>

<p>After you submit, notice that, unlike the GET method, the form
values is NOT visible in the address bar of the new browser tab.</p>

</body>
</html>
```



Adding Multimedia

Adding Images and Multimedia

- We have shown how to add images to a web page in week #1
- We can combine frames with images by inserting an image within a frame
- We can also insert multimedia files Into web pages using frames
- Here we show how to display multimedia files in a web page and consider browser support

Multimedia

- Multimedia forms a central role in modern Internet applications
- In the early days of the Internet users were restricted to viewing text and static images
- In the current Internet users may
  - Access multimedia (video and sound files)
  - Interact with web sites and add / change / delete content
    - These developments are often termed Web 2.0
- Multimedia has many formats as it can be almost anything you can hear or see.
  - Examples include sound, videos, and animations, etc
- In this course we will limit our study to adding and viewing multimedia files

Web Browser Support

- The early web browsers were limited in the support to text and colour rendering
- Later web browsers improved support for colours, fonts, and images
- Current web browsers support multimedia however
  - Audio, video, and animation have been handled differently by the major browsers
  - Different formats have been supported, and some formats require extra helper programs (plug-ins) to work.
- A motivation for the development of HTML 5 is to enable improvements in the accessing and viewing of multimedia

Digital Formats

- Multimedia is stored in a digital format in media files.
- To identify the type of multimedia file
  - See the file extension
  - For example a Windows notepad file (a text file) has a .txt extension
- Multimedia files have formats and different extensions
  - .swf, .wav, .mp3, .mp4, .mpg , .wmv (a Windows media player specific file), .avi. Etc

Multimedia Formats

- Common video formats:
  - .mp4 is the current video format for the Internet
  - .mp4 is supported by “YouTube”, ”Flash Players”, and HTML 5
- A full list of multimedia file types may be found at:
  - https://blog.filestack.com/thoughts-and-knowledge/complete-list-audio-video-file-formats/
- Only MP4, WebM, and Ogg video are supported by the HTML5 standard.

Typical Multimedia HTML

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<video width="400" controls>
  <source src="mov_bbb.mp4" type="video/mp4">
  <source src="mov_bbb.ogg" type="video/ogg">
  Your browser does not support HTML5 video.
</video>
<p>
Video courtesy of
<a href="https://www.bigbuckbunny.org/" target="_blank">Big Buck Bunny</a>.
</p>
</body>
</html>
```

Multimedia Example

Run »

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<video width="400" controls>
  <source src="mov_bbb.mp4" type="video/mp4">
  <source src="mov_bbb.ogg" type="video/ogg">
  Your browser does not support HTML5 video.
</video>

<p>
Video courtesy of
<a href="https://www.bigbuckbunny.org/" target="_blank">Big Buck
Bunny</a>.
</p>

</body>
</html>
```

Video courtesy of Big Buck Bunny.

- The location of the multimedia file
- In this case the file is a mp4 file (a video)

- Note: the alternative text which will appear if the browser does not support the HTML 5 video (old browsers)

Video and Audio on the Internet

- In earlier versions of HTML (such as HTML versions 1 – 4)
  - Audio and video files were only playable in a web-browser with a "plug-in" (a software application) such as "Adobe Flash"
- In HTML 5
  - The <audio> and <video> elements provide a common standard which specifies how to embed video and audio files into a web-page
- HTML5 defines DOM methods / properties / events for the <audio> and <video> elements to manage the
  - loading /starting/ playing / pausing / stopping / volume / duration
- For the full DOM reference see w3schools.com

The World Wide Web
and
The Future

The World Wide Web (WWW)

- Original HTML (termed Web 1.0) only allowed users to view a web page
- The Web has entered a new phase of evolution:
  - The new phase is often termed Web 2.0
  - There has been much debate over a term for the new phase
  - Some prefer to not name it all while others suggest continuing to calling it Web 2.0
  - However the new phase of evolution has quite a different focus from what Web 2.0 has come to mean

Web 2.0

- Developments in the WWW (termed Web 2.0):
  - Provide a basis upon which users could interact with web sites
  - For example: interactions in social media platforms
- While there is no generally agreed definition of the term Web 2.0:
  - There is agreement that Web 2.0 focuses on several major themes including: AJAX, social networking, folksonomies (*a classification system in which end users apply public tags to online items*), lightweight collaboration, social bookmarking, interactive interactions, and media sharing

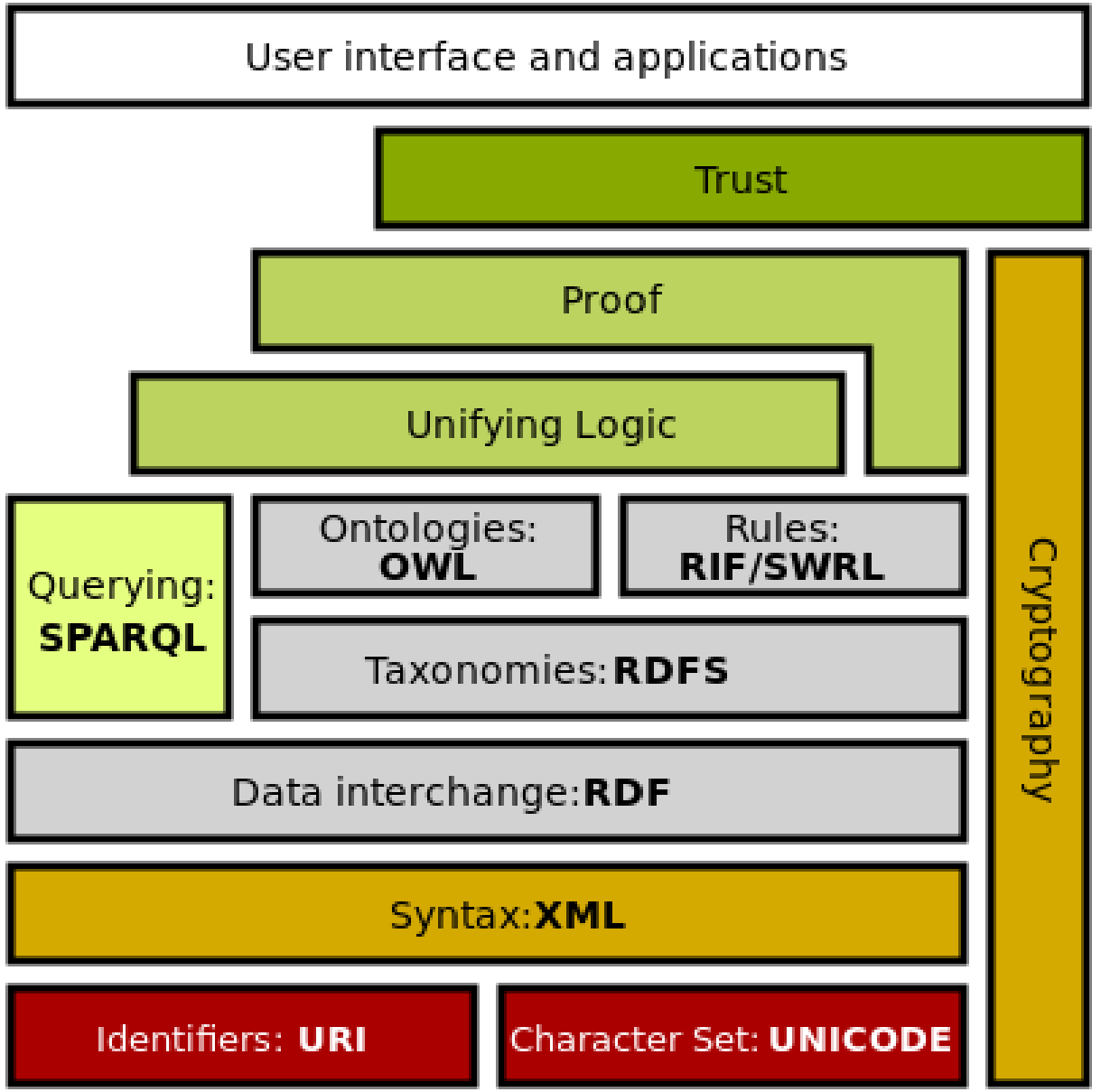
Web 3.0

- Web 3.0 is Coming!
  - Web 3.0 is the third generation of internet services for websites and applications
- Web 3.0 focuses on:
  - Using a machine-based understanding of data to provide data-driven and *semantic web* based applications and services
- The ultimate goal of Web 3.0:
  - Is to create more intelligent, connected and open websites

The Semantic Web

- The Semantic Web is an extension of the World Wide Web through standards set by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C).
  - The goal of the *Semantic Web* is to make Internet data *machine-readable*
- To enable the encoding of semantics (including linguistics with qualitative and quantitative metrics) with the data:
  - Technologies such as *Resource Description Framework* (RDF) and the *Web Ontology Language* (OWL) are used

The Semantic Web Stack



The Future

The Semantic Web

Conclusion

- In this session we have introduced:
  - The creation of frames and inline <iframe> frames with their uses
  - Introduced forms and data input methods including the GET and POST
  - Introduced adding multimedia
- In considering HTML:
  - We have very briefly considered the current state of the WWW and how it may develop in the future to realise intelligent semantic systems
  - Future development with Web 3.0 (and Web 4.0) remain uncertain but will result in existential socio-technical change which must be reflected in our approach to web systems and services design