

1 **WEB FORMS**

HTML5 and CSS3

2 **USER INPUT FORMS—PAGE 1**

- Input forms used on web pages to get data from users
- Information might include reader feedback (comments, complaints, etc.), on-line orders (sales/e-commerce), or simple data entry into databases.

3 **USER INPUT FORMS—PAGE 2**

- There are two parts to creating and using forms:
 - Create the form itself
 - Process the results (requires knowing a language such as JavaScript or Perl that can manipulate the data either on the client or on the web server)

4 **FORM DIALOG ELEMENTS**

- There are three basic classifications of form dialog elements:
 - The input tag which includes several types of form elements including:
 - One-line text box, password box, radio button, check box and push buttons
 - HTML5 introduces additional input elements including color pickers, calendar pickers, spinners and sliders
 - The select tag for drop-down menus and list boxes
 - The textarea which is a multi-line scrolling text box

8 **FORM CONTROLS—PAGE 1**

- HTML supports the following control elements:
 - Input boxes—for text and numerical entries
 - Option buttons (also called radio buttons)—for selecting a single option from a predefined list
 - Selection lists—for long lists of options, usually appearing in a drop-down list box
 - Check boxes—for questions limited to true/false or yes/no responses
 - Text areas—for extended entries that can include several lines of text

9 **FORM CONTROLS—PAGE 2**

- HTML5 introduced the following control elements:
 - Color pickers—to choose colors from an array of color values
 - Calendar pickers—to select dates and times from a calendar or clock
 - Spin boxes—for specifying numeric values from sets of numbers
 - Sliders—for selecting numeric values from ranges of possible values
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10 **HTML FORM SYNTAX**

- The basic form creates a block using the form tags
- A number of form elements may be contained inside this block

- Format:
`<form attributes>`
 form content
`</form>`

11 IDENTIFYING THE FORM—PAGE 1

- There are two attributes in the form tag that are used for identification:
 - The id attribute differentiates the form from other elements on the web page
 - The name attribute differentiates one form from another when there are multiple forms

12 IDENTIFYING THE FORM—PAGE 2

- Format:
`<form id="id" name="name">`
 form content
`</form>`
 - The id and name attribute values often are the same
- Example:
`<form id="survey" name="survey">`
 ...
`</form>`

14 INTERACTING WITH THE WEB SERVER—PAGE 1

- Other form attributes specify where and how to send the form data
 - The action attribute specifies the location and filename of the program that will process the file

15 INTERACTING WITH THE WEB SERVER—PAGE 2

- Other form attributes specify where and how to send the form data (*con.*)
 - The method attribute specifies how form data will be passed to web server
 - The value get means the data will be appended to the end of the url specified in the action attribute
 - The value post sends the data in a separate data stream

16 INTERACTING WITH THE WEB SERVER—PAGE 3

- Format:
`<form action="url" method="get | post">`
 form content
`</form>`
- Example:
`<form id="survey" name="survey" action="http://www.redballpizza.com/survey"`
 `method="post">`
 ...

```
</form>
```

17 ENCODING THE FORM DATA

- The enctype property for the form tag specifies how the data is encoded when it is sent to the web server
- The most common types are:
 - application/x-www-form-urlencoded—transferred as a long string; white space replaced by "+" and nontext characters replaced by hexadecimal code values
 - multipart/form-data—spaces and nontext characters preserved; data elements separated using delimiter lines; method="post" required
 - text/plain—no encoding of spaces and nontext characters; most often used when action="mailto: ..."

19 CREATING A FIELD SET—PAGE 1

- The fieldset block around controls (elements) on a form places a box (actually a frame) around those controls
- Format:


```
<fieldset id="id">
    controls
</fieldset>
```

20 CREATING A FIELD SET—PAGE 2

- Example:


```
<fieldset id="custInfo">
    Name *
    <input name="custname" id="custname">
    Street address
    <input name="street" id="street" />
    City
    <input name="city" id="city" />
    ...
    E-mail *
    <input name="email" id=" email ">
</fieldset >
```

22 ADDING A LEGEND TO A FIELD SET—PAGE 1

- Within the fieldset block, legend tags may be used to place a label on a border of the frame
- The align attribute of the legend tag allows the label to appear at the top or bottom of the frame, and/or the left or right of it (top and left are the defaults)
- Format:


```
<fieldset id="id">
    <legend align="top | bottom | left | right"> text</legend>
```

```

        controls
    </fieldset>

```

23 **ADDING A LEGEND TO A FIELD SET—PAGE 2**

- Example:


```

<fieldset id="custInfo">
    <legend>Customer Information</legend>
    Name *
    <input name="custname" id="custname">
    Street address
    <input name="street" id="street" />
    City
    <input name="city" id="city" />
    ...
    E-mail *
    <input name="email" id=" email ">
</fieldset >

```

25 **INPUT BOXES—PAGE 1**

- Input “boxes” are created using HTML input tag and include the following:
 - button—can be clicked to perform an action from a script
 - checkbox—a check box that can be clicked on and off
 - file—a “browse” button to locate and select a file
 - hidden—not viewable on the form
 - image—can be clicked to perform an action from a script
 - password—input box that hides text entered by user

26 **INPUT BOXES—PAGE 2**

- Input “boxes” include the following (*con.*):
 - radio—an option button that can be clicked by user
 - reset—button that resets the form
 - submit—submits form data to web server when clicked
 - text—an input box that displays the text entered by user (default type)

27 **INPUT BOXES—PAGE 3**

- Format for creating an input box:


```

<input type="type" attributes />

```

 - The tag is one-sided with an ending slash (/)
- Example:


```

<input type="text" name="custname" id="custname" />

```

 - Creates a one-line text box

28 **THE ONE-LINE TEXT BOX—PAGE 1**

- The one-line text box is created by using the input tag with the type attribute assigned the value "text"
- Format:

```
<input type="text" attributes />
```

29 THE ONE-LINE TEXT BOX—PAGE 2

- Examples:

```
<input type="text" name="custname" id="custname" />
```

```
<input name="custname" id="custname" />
```

 - The entry type="text" is not required for a text box as per the second example since it is the *default* type

31 ADDING FIELD LABELS—PAGE 1

- A "field label" is added using the label tag and provides the following functionality:
 - A descriptive text for a form element (rather than just type text next to a control)
 - If user clicks on the label, the form element associated with it receives the focus assuming the for attribute is set to a specific control

32 ADDING FIELD LABELS—PAGE 2

- Format:

```
<label for="id">label text</label>
```

 - The *id* is the name of the control with which the label is associated
- Example:

```
<label for="custname">Customer name:</label>
```

```
<input type="text" name="custname" id="custname" />
```

33 ADDING FIELD LABELS—PAGE 3

- Alternate format (wrap the element inside the <label> block):

```
<label>label text
```

```
  <formElement attributes>
```

```
</label>
```

 - The for attribute is not needed if form element is placed inside label block
- Alternate example:

```
<label>Student name:
```

```
  <input type="text" name="custname" id="custname" />
```

```
</label>
```

35 DEFINING DEFAULT VALUES—PAGE 1

- The value attribute provides an initial value that is stored and displayed in the field when the form first loads
- The current "value" in each text box control as assigned to the name (like a variable) when it passed to the server when the form is submitted

36 DEFINING DEFAULT VALUES—PAGE 2

- Format:

```
<input type="text" name="name" id="id" value="value" />
```

 - The *value* is assigned to the *name* attribute (variable)
- Example:

```
<input type="text" name="state" id="state" value="FL" />
```

38 **DEFINING PLACEHOLDERS**

- The placeholder attribute displays a descriptive string (greyed out) to the user about the type of information is accepted by the field
- Format:

```
<input type="text" name="name" id="id" placeholder="text" />
```
- Example:

```
<input type="text" name="zip" id="zip" placeholder="nnnnn (-nnnn)" />
```

40 **CREATING A SELECTION LIST—PAGE 1**

- The select block creates a scrollable menu (drop-down list or list box) used to select from a list of choices
- List of choices are inserted into the menu with a series of option blocks

41 **CREATING A SELECTION LIST—PAGE 2**

- Format:

```
<select name="name" attributes>
  <option value="value1">text1</option>
  <option value="value2">text2</option>
  ...
</select>
```

 - The *value* of the option selected is assigned to the *name* (variable) property in the select when the form is submitted
 - The *text* are values displayed in the selection list

42 **CREATING A SELECTION LIST—PAGE 3**

- Example:

```
<select name="ordertype" id="ordertype">
  <option value="type1">Carry out</option>
  <option value="type2">Delivery</option>
  <option value="type3">Dine in</option>
  <option value="type4">Take and bake</option>
</select>
```

44 **SETTING A DEFAULT VALUE FOR A SELECTION LIST—PAGE 1**

- The selected attribute is used in the option tag to make that option the default entry from the list when the web page loads
- Only one option may be selected as the default

45 **SETTING A DEFAULT VALUE FOR A SELECTION LIST—PAGE 2**

- Format:
`<option selected="selected" value="value">text</option>`
- Most browsers will correctly interpret the selected attribute even if "selected" is not specified:
`<option selected value="value">text</option>`

46 **SETTING A DEFAULT VALUE FOR A SELECTION LIST—PAGE 3**

- Example:
`<select name="ordertype" id="ordertype">
 <option value="type1">Carry out</option>
 <option value="type2">Delivery</option>
 <option value="type3" selected="selected">Dine in</option>
 <option value="type4">Take and bake</option>
</select>`

48 **SETTING THE SIZE OF THE SELECTION LIST—PAGE 1**

- By default selection lists are "drop-down lists" that display only the currently selected option
- The size attribute if set to a value greater than "1" creates a "list box" so that a number of options are visible at the same time
- A vertical scroll bar appears automatically if size is smaller than the number of options in the list

49 **SETTING THE SIZE OF THE SELECTION LIST—PAGE 2**

- Format:
`<select size="value" attributes>
 ...
</select>`

50 **SETTING THE SIZE OF THE SELECTION LIST—PAGE 3**

- Example:
`<select size="5" name="ordertype" id="ordertype">
 <option value="internet">Internet</option>
 <option value="mag">Magazine</option>
 <option value="news">Newspaper</option>
 <option value="word">Word of Mouth</option>
 <option value="other">Other</option>
</select>`

52 **ALLOWING FOR MULTIPLE SELECTIONS—PAGE 1**

- The multiple property allows the user to select more than one option from the list
- To do this requires use of the <Ctrl> and/or the <Shift> key on the keyboard while

- clicking the item(s) (or the user may click and drag)
- If this property is turned "on" the control always will appear as a list box

53 ALLOWING FOR MULTIPLE SELECTIONS—PAGE 2

- Format:


```
<select multiple="multiple" attributes>
  ...
</select>
```
- Most browsers will correctly interpret the multiple attribute even if ="multiple" is not specified:


```
<select multiple attributes>
  ...
</select>
```

54 ALLOWING FOR MULTIPLE SELECTIONS—PAGE 3

- Example:


```
<select multiple="multiple" name="ordertype" id="ordertype">
  <option value="internet">Internet</option>
  <option value="mag">Magazine</option>
  <option value="news">Newspaper</option>
  <option value="word">Word of Mouth</option>
  <option value="other">Other</option>
</select>
```

56 GROUPING SELECTION OPTIONS—PAGE 1

- For longer lists options can be placed into groups using an optgroup block
- Format:


```
<select>
  <optgroup label="label1">
    <option value="value">text</option>
  ...
</optgroup>
  <optgroup label="label2">
    <option value="value">text</option>
  ...
</optgroup>
</select>
```

57 GROUPING SELECTION OPTIONS—PAGE 2

- Example:


```
<select name="vote">
  <optgroup label="Democrat">
    <option value="d1">Tim Harris</option>
```



```

        <option value="d2">Gary Nielsen</option>
        <option value="d3">Kate Paulenty</option>
    </optgroup>
    <optgroup label="Republican">
        <option value="r1">Barbara Alt</option>
        <option value="r2">Peter Trudea</option>
        <option value="r3">Maria Sandoval</option>
    </optgroup>
</select>

```

58 CREATING OPTION BUTTONS—PAGE 1

- The option button always is created as a group of buttons to limit a user's choices to one of a series of related choices
- Also known as radio buttons
- An identical "group" name property value should be given to all option buttons in the group
- Clicking and selecting one option button turns off any other button in group

59 CREATING OPTION BUTTONS—PAGE 2

- Option buttons are created using the input tag with the type="radio"
- Format:


```

<input type="radio" name="name" value="value1" />
<input type="radio" name="name" value="value2" />

```

 - value property values are assigned to the name (variable)

60 CREATING OPTION BUTTONS—PAGE 3

- Examples:


```

<input type="radio" name="serviceFriendly" id="sYes" value="yes" />
<input type="radio" name="serviceFriendly" id="sNo" value="no" />

```

 - name property is the *same* for all buttons in the *group*

61 SETTING DEFAULT VALUES FOR OPTION BUTTONS—PAGE 1

- The checked attribute is used in an option button group to make that option the default entry from the group when the web page loads
- Only one option button may be checked as the default

62 SETTING DEFAULT VALUES FOR OPTION BUTTONS—PAGE 2

- Format:


```

<input type="radio" name="name" checked="checked" value="value" attributes />

```
- Most browsers will correctly interpret the selected attribute even if ="checked" is not specified:


```

<input type="radio" name="name" checked value="value" attributes />

```

63  **SETTING DEFAULT VALUES FOR OPTION BUTTONS—PAGE 3**

- Examples:

```
<input type="radio" name="serviceFriendly" id="sYes" value="yes" />
<input type="radio" name="serviceFriendly" id="sNo" checked="checked"
value="no" />
```

65  **CREATING A TEXT AREA BOX—PAGE 1**

- The textarea block creates a multiple-line text
- Useful for allowing users to enter several lines of information such as narrative comments and/or problems
- When more text is typed than will fit, scroll bars appear automatically

66  **CREATING A TEXT AREA BOX—PAGE 2**

- The size of the box set can be set by modifying attributes for both the width in characters (the cols attribute) and number of lines (the rows attribute) displayed
- Size also can be configured with CSS

67  **CREATING A TEXT AREA BOX—PAGE 3**

- Format:

```
<textarea rows="value" cols="value" wrap="hard | soft">
</textarea>
```

- The wrap *type* values:
 - hard—text is wrapped when submitted to server
 - soft—text is not wrapped when submitted to server

68  **CREATING A TEXT AREA BOX—PAGE 4**

- Example:

```
<textarea name="comments" id="comments" rows="5" cols="60">
</textarea>
```

70  **CREATING CHECK BOXES—PAGE 1**

- The check box is an on/off button that can be selected and unselected
- The first time it is clicked, a check mark (✓) is displayed in the box, and the next time it is clicked, the check mark is turned off
- Unlike option buttons, check boxes are not grouped
- Therefore more than one may be checked (clicked “on”) at the same time

71  **CREATING CHECK BOXES—PAGE 2**

- Check boxes are created using the input tag with the type="checkbox"

- Format:

```
<input type="checkbox" name="name" value="value" />
```

- The value property values are assigned to the name (variable) when the form is submitted to server

72 **CREATING CHECK BOXES—PAGE 3**

- Example:
`<input type="checkbox" name="news cb" />`

73 **SETTING A CHECK BOX “ON” WHEN FORM LOADS—PAGE 1**

- The checked attribute is used with a check box to set it “on” when the web page loads

74 **SETTING A CHECK BOX “ON” WHEN FORM LOADS—PAGE 2**

- Format:
`<input type="checkbox" name="name" checked="checked" value="value" attributes />`
- Most browsers will correctly interpret the selected attribute even if “checked” is not specified:
`<input type="checkbox" name="name" checked value="value" attributes />`

75 **SETTING A CHECK BOX “ON” WHEN FORM LOADS—PAGE 3**

- Example:
`<input type="checkbox" checked="checked" name="news cb" />`

77 **THE EMAIL DATA TYPE—PAGE 1**

- An e-mail text box is created in HTML5 by using the input tag with the type = “email”
- Browser will validate that user enters a valid e-mail address
- Not supported by all browsers

78 **THE EMAIL DATA TYPE—PAGE 2**

- Format:
`<input type="email" attributes />`
- Example:
`<input type="email" name="email" id="email" />`

79 **THE TEL DATA TYPE—PAGE 1**

- A telephone number text box is created in HTML5 by using the input tag with the type = “tel”
- Browser will validate that user enters a valid phone number
- Not supported by all browsers

80 **THE TEL DATA TYPE—PAGE 2**

- Format:
`<input type="tel" attributes />`
- Example:
`<input type="tel" name="phone" id="phone" />`

81 **THE URL DATA TYPE—PAGE 1**

- A web address text box is created in HTML5 by using the input tag with the type = "url"
- Browser will validate that user enters a valid URL
- Not supported by all browsers

82 THE URL DATA TYPE—PAGE 2

- Format:
`<input type="url" attributes />`
- Example:
`<input type="url" name="homePage" id="homePage " />`

84 SPECIFYING DATE AND TIME—PAGE 1

- A date/time text box is created by in HTML5 using the input tag with the type = "date"
- Some browsers will display a date dialog window ("picker") and validate that user enters a valid date
- Not supported by all browsers

85 SPECIFYING DATE AND TIME—PAGE 2

- Other date/time values for the type attribute of an input tag include:
 - `datetime`—to select both date and time with time zone option from a calendar and a list of hours, minutes, and AM or PM
 - `datetime-local`—to select both date and time without time zone option from a calendar and a list of hours, minutes, and AM or PM
 - `month`—to select month from a list of months
 - `time`—to select time from a list of hours, minutes, and AM or PM
 - `week`—to select a week number from a list of weeks of the year

86 SPECIFYING DATE AND TIME—PAGE 3

- Format:
`<input type="date" attributes />`
- Example:
`<input type="date" "visitDate" id="visitDate" />`

88 THE NUMBER DATA TYPE—PAGE 1

- A "spinner" control is created by in HTML5 using the input tag with type = "number"
- User clicks "up" and "down" arrows to advance numbers
- Not supported by all browsers

89 THE NUMBER DATA TYPE—PAGE 2

- Format:
`<input type="number" value="defaultValue" min="minimumValue" max="maximumValue" step="stepValue" attributes />`
- `value`—default value when form loads

- min—minimum value the spinner can represent
- max—maximum value the spinner can represent
- step—the amount by which the spinner advances at each click

90 THE NUMBER DATA TYPE—PAGE 3

- Example:

```
<input name="ordersPerMonth" id="ordersPerMonth" type="number" value="1"
  min="0" max="10" step="1" />
```

92 CREATING A RANGE ELEMENT—PAGE 1

- A range (horizontal slider) control is created in HTML5 by using the input tag with the type = "range"
- User drags the slider marker "left" and "right" to advance the values
- Not supported by all browsers

93 CREATING A RANGE ELEMENT—PAGE 2

- Format:

```
<input type="range" value="defaultValue" min="minimumValue"
  max="maximumValue" step="stepValue" attributes />
```

- value—default value when form loads
- min—minimum value the spinner can represent
- max—maximum value the spinner can represent
- step—the amount by which the slider advances when dragged by the mouse

94 CREATING A RANGE ELEMENT—PAGE 3

- Example:

```
<input name="service" id="service" type="range" value="1" min="0" max="10"
  step="1" />
```

96 CREATING A DATA LIST—PAGE 1

- A data list control is created in HTML5 by using the input tag with a list attribute that names a datalist block that contains "suggested" options
- The datalist block is similar to a select list, but the list only *suggests* possible responses and users may enter anything that they want

97 CREATING A DATA LIST—PAGE 2

- Format (unlike select the option tags are single-sided):

```
<input name="name" list="id" attributes>
```

```
<datalist id="id" attributes>
```

```
  <option value="value1" />
```

```
  <option value="value2" />
```

```
  ...
```

```
</datalist>
```

- The values of the options are text that appears in list and the option selected is

assigned to name property when the form is submitted

98 CREATING A DATA LIST—PAGE 3

- Example:

```
<input name="favDish" id="favDish" list="dishType" />
<datalist id="dishType">
  <option value="Antipasto Pizza" />
  <option value="Big Kahuna Pizza" />
  <option value="BBQ Chicken Pizza" />
  <option value="Mediterranean Herb Pizza" />
  <option value="Pasta Rolls" />
  <option value="Pesto Artichoke Pizza" />
  <option value="Sal's Stuffed Pizza" />
  <option value="Wing'd Pizza" />
</datalist>
```

100 CREATING FORM BUTTONS—PAGE 1

- A button control lets the user do one of three things:
 - Submits the form to a file for processing by a file handler script located on the server
 - Resets (clears) the form
 - Initiates execution of a script located in the HTML web page written in JavaScript or some other web programming language

101 CREATING FORM BUTTONS—PAGE 2

- The button is created by using input tag with the type attribute assigned one of three values depending upon which type of button is needed
- Format:


```
<input type="submit | reset | button" value="text" onclick="script" />
```

 - submit—sends form to a file for processing by form handler on the server
 - reset—clears the form
 - button—executes a local script within the web page

102 CREATING FORM BUTTONS—PAGE 3

- Format:


```
<input type="submit | reset | button" value="text" onclick="script" />
```

 - The value attribute *text* is displayed as the button label; defaults are:
 - “Submit Query” for the submit button
 - “Reset” for the reset button
 - Default button label is blank and always should include a value attribute
 - The onclick attribute only is used for a command button to run a client-side *script* statement

103  **CREATING FORM BUTTONS—PAGE 4**

- Examples:

```
<input type="submit" value="Submit My Form" />
```

```
<input type="reset" value="Reset Form" />
```

105  **INDICATING REQUIRED VALUES—PAGE 1**

- Use the required attribute with an input textbox to specify that the field may not be blank when submitted to the server
- The attribute works with input types text, date, search, url, tel, email, password, number, checkbox, radio and file

106  **INDICATING REQUIRED VALUES—PAGE 2**

- Format:

```
<input type="type" required="required" attributes />
```

- Examples:

```
<input name="name" id="name" required />
```

```
<input name="name" id="name" required="required" />
```

- The assigned value "required" is not necessary

108  **TESTING FOR A VALID PATTERN—PAGE 1**

- Use the pattern attribute with an input textbox to specify a "regular expression" upon which the element's value is validated before the form is submitted to the server
- The attribute works with input types text, date, search, url, tel, email and password

109  **TESTING FOR A VALID PATTERN—PAGE 2**

- Format:

```
<input type = "type" pattern = "regex" attributes />
```

- Example:

```
<input name="phone" id="phone" pattern="\d{5}([\-]\d{4})?" />
```

111  **USING THE FOCUS PSEUDO-CLASS—PAGE 1**

- The CSS focus pseudo-class can be implemented to highlight in some way an HTML element that currently has the focus
- It is triggered when the user clicks mouse on the element to enter data

112  **USING THE FOCUS PSEUDO-CLASS—PAGE 2**

- Format:

```
selector:focus  
{  
    property1: value1; ...  
}
```

- Example:

```
input:focus
{
    background-color: yellow;
}
```

113 PSEUDO-CLASSES FOR VALID AND INVALID DATA—PAGE 1

- The following CSS pseudo-classes can provide formatting for valid and invalid data input relative to the required and pattern attributes as the data is entered:
 - required—input was required
 - valid—input is valid
 - invalid—input is invalid
- The valid and invalid pseudo-classes also apply validation to the tel, email and url attributes

114 PSEUDO-CLASSES FOR VALID AND INVALID DATA—PAGE 2

- Format:

```
selector:pseudoClass
{
    property1: value1; ...
}
```

115 PSEUDO-CLASSES FOR VALID AND INVALID DATA—PAGE 3

- Examples:

```
input:required
{
    border-color: red;
}
input:invalid
{
    color: red; font-weight: bold;
}
```