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THE 1-HR WEBSITE

Agenda

- What Is the Internet?
- What Is the Web?
- What Is a Website?
- What Is WordPress?
- How to Get Started with WordPress

What Is the Internet?

But first ...

What Is a *Network*?

What Is a **Computer Network**?

- A Connection between:
2 or more computers
- Usually uses Ethernet cable
- But can be a wireless

What Is the **Internet**?

- **A Network ...
of ...
Networks**
- Many small networks interconnected
- Spans the whole world

An Analogy

- The Internet
- The Highway System
- The Web
- Stores, restaurants,
gas stations, hotels
- The Browser
- Your car

Key Points on the 'Net

- A **network** connects computers together
- The **Internet** connects networks together
- The **Worldwide Web** is one of many features available on the Internet



WHAT IS THE WEB?

What's the "Web"?

World Wide Web, made up of
Web servers (on large computers)

Web sites (or Web domains)

Web pages

HTML code

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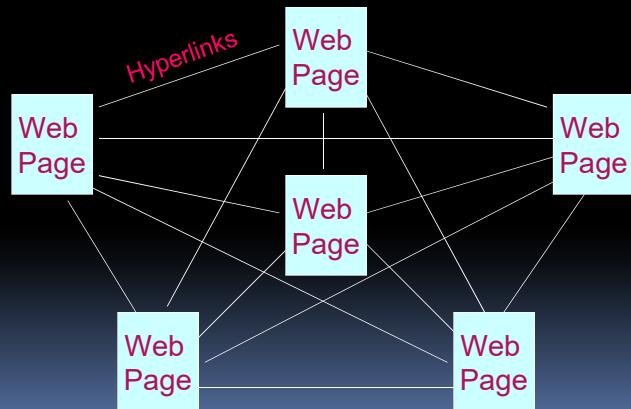
Hyperlink

Hypertext Markup Language

- Consists of **tags** and text:

```
<html>
<head>
<title>Simple Web Page Example</title>
</head>
<body>
<h1>Simple Web Page</h1>
<p>This is an example of a simple Web page.</p>
```

Thus, We Call It a Web



Programs to Read Web Pages

Web Browsers:

- **Google Chrome**
- Microsoft **Internet Explorer**
- Microsoft Edge
- Apple Safari
- Mozilla Firefox

Different Views

- Each browser shows a web page slightly differently
- Each type of device can show a web page differently
 - PC
 - Tablet
 - Phone

World Wide Web Addresses

- www.cnn.com/showbiz/movies.htm
- Uniform Resource Locator (**URL**)
- No spaces
- Sometimes case sensitive
- Uses HTTP
(Hypertext Transfer Protocol)

<http://www.cnn.com/showbiz/movies.htm>

Web Address Components

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What Does It Mean?

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Web Protocol

Protocol:
How your computer will interact
with other computers

E.g., Hypertext Transfer Protocol

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Domain Name

The main name for your website

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<http://www.cnn.com/showbiz/movies.htm>

Top-Level Domain

TLD: The type of domain

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http://www.cnn.com/**showbiz**/movies.htm

Folder

A folder on the web server computer containing several files

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Web Page Filename

The name of the web page you want to look at

Name That **Top-Level Domain**

.com	Commercial
.edu	Educational
.gov	Government
.org	Non-profit organization
.us	United States
.ca	Canada

New Top-Level Domains

.accountants
.actor
.adult
.agency
.apartments
.attorney
.auction
.audio
.autos
.bar
... and 1,000 others

How Does a Browser Work?

- Browser sends message to a web server computer
- Web server sends page back to browser
- Browser displays graphical version of page

WHAT IS A WEBSITE?

A Website

- A collection of files ...
- On a PC ...
- Running a web server program

Types of Files on a Website

- Web pages
- Pictures
- Style sheets
- Scripts

WHAT IS WORDPRESS?

WordPress

- A website (wordpress.com)
- Which runs a program
- Which hosts your website
- Which enables easy changes

About WordPress

- Started by Matt Mullenweg, 2003
- "Open Source" software
- Originally for **blogs**
- Managed by Automattic



WordPress: Pros & Cons

- | Pro | Con |
|----------------|----------------------|
| ▪ Easy to use | ▪ Designed for Blogs |
| ▪ Low cost | ▪ Limited features |
| ▪ Very popular | ▪ "Training wheels" |

What Is a Blog?

- Short for: Web Log
- Series of changing stories
- Like a magazine or journal

Small Companies Prefer Static Sites

- Unlike a blog, few changes
- Less maintenance, updates
- WordPress does well with static sites

Who Is Using WordPress?

- The New York Times
- People Magazine
- National Geographic
- Forbes
- CNN
- NFL

Room to Grow: WordPress.org

- Very flexible and powerful
 - Many **plugins** available
- You supply the host
- Still low cost
- You are responsible for security

WordPress Alternatives

- Google Sites
- Blogger
- Wix
- Weebly
- SquareSpace
- Shopify

HOW TO GET STARTED WITH WORDPRESS

Create Your First Site

1. Organize your PC
2. Download files
3. Create a WordPress account
4. Create a site
5. Customize the site ID
6. Add a Banner Image

Create Your First Site – 2

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bit.ly/myfirstwpsite

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