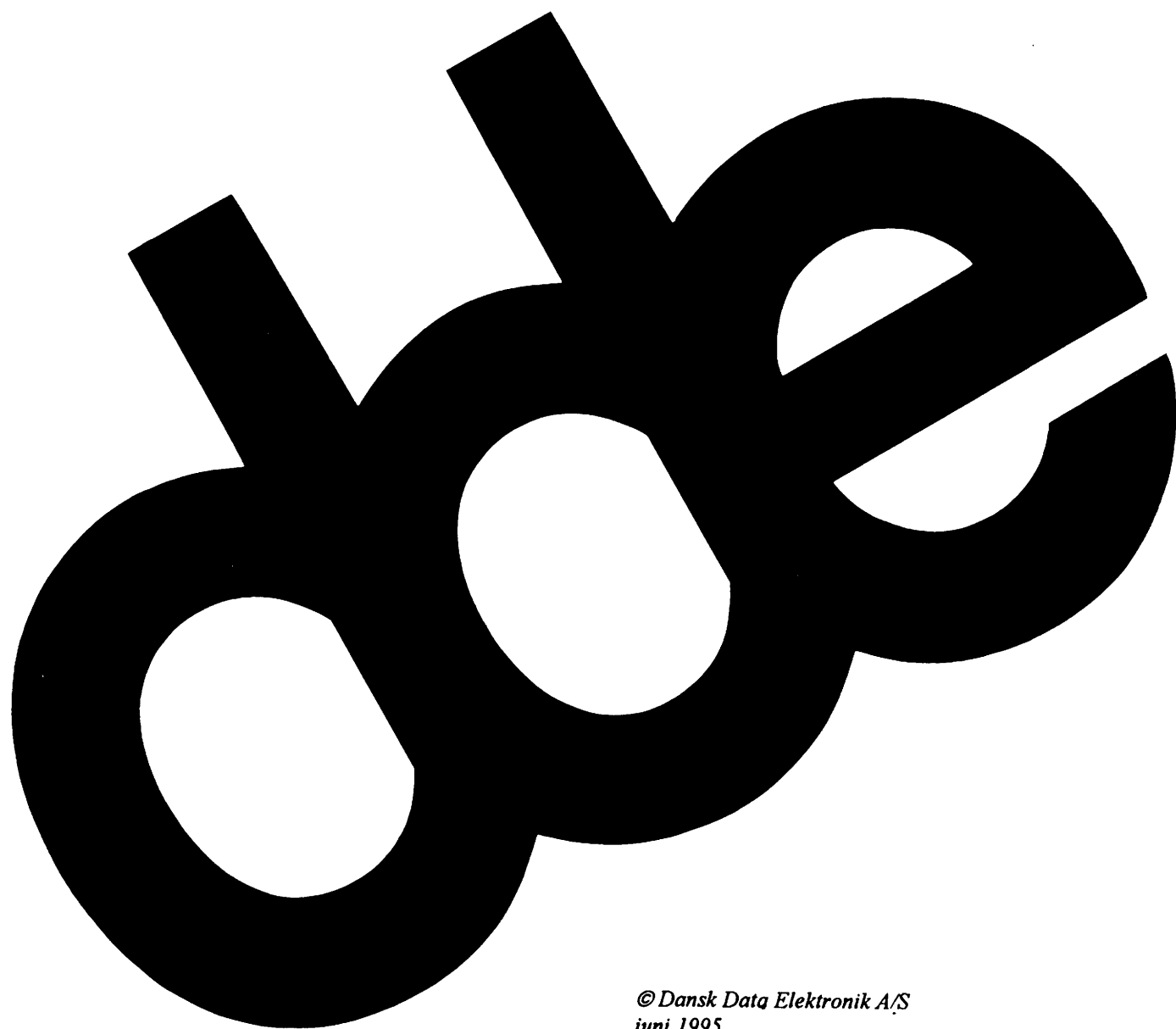
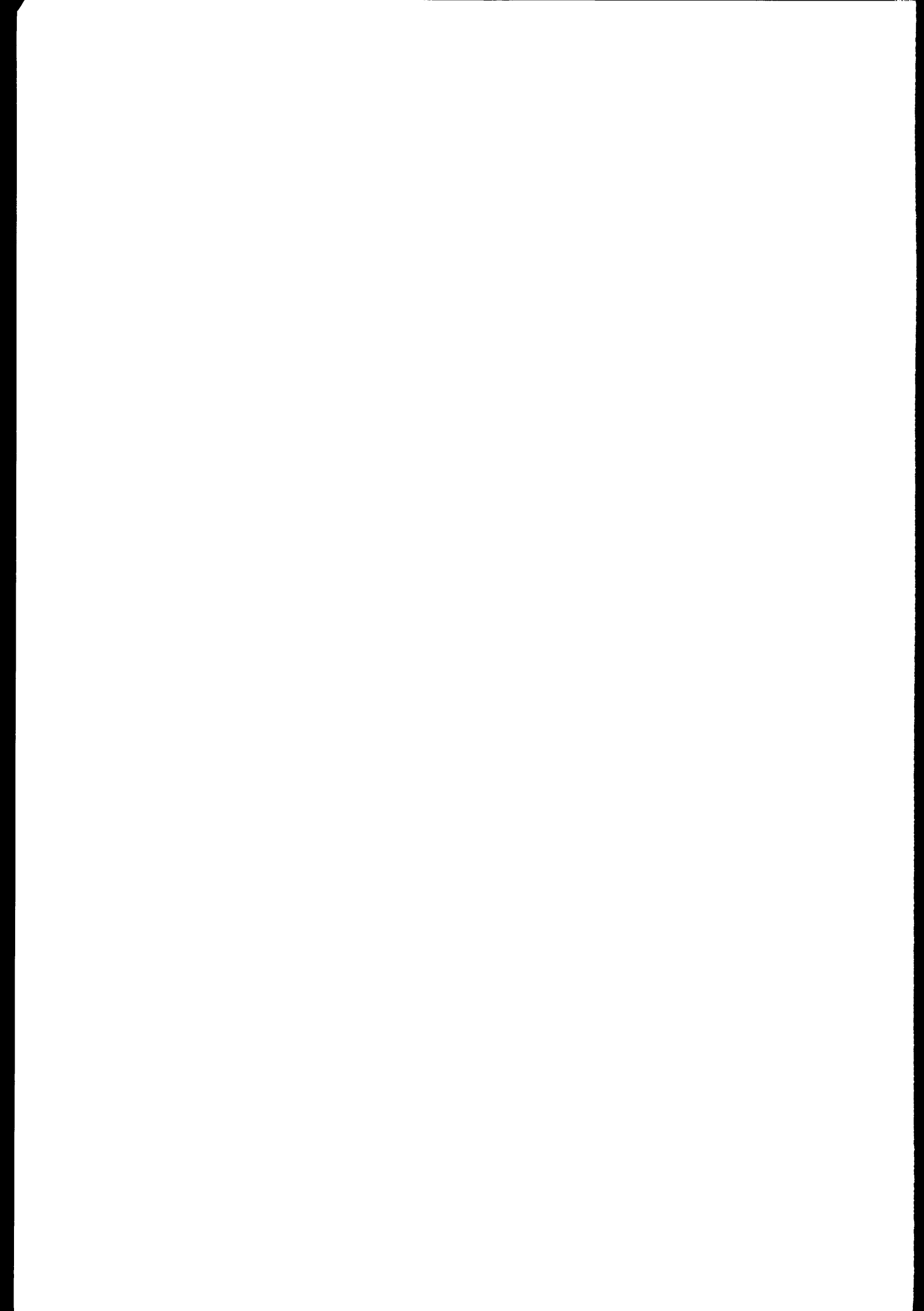


# Udvikling af HTML-dokumenter





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# 1. Indledning

*HyperText Markup Language (HTML)* er et enkelt redigeringsprog til at lave hypertext dokumenter, der er uafhængige af et bestemt soft-/eller hardware produkt.

HTML har inden for de seneste år fået stor udbredelse i forbindelse med *World Wide Web*, som er en kommunikationform på *Internettet*.

Idéen i HTML-dokumenter er, at man kan fremhæve enkeltord, sætninger eller specielle elementer i teksten, som så er referencer til andre dokumenter, filer, computere, billedfiler eller lydfiler på samme computer som originaldokumentet eller på helt andre computere tilsluttet et givent netværk.

Hypertext er ikke en ny opfindelse, men har været brugt i mange år i forbindelse med fx. online dokumentation af edb-programmer.

Af eksempler på hypertext kan blandt andet nævnes den online hjælp, der findes i MS Windows programmer.

Fremkosten af internettet og den stadigt stigende mængde af information på dette netværk, har i stigende grad nødvendiggjort strukturerede metoder til at fremstille data på.

Indtil omkring 1992/93 var en af de mest fremherskende metoder til søgning af informationer på internettet et menu-orienteret værktøj kaldet *gopher*.

Med fremkosten af HTML og mere og mere brugervenlige værktøjer til at gennemse HTML-dokumenter, har *World Wide Web* i løbet af 1994/95 næsten udkonkureret *gopher*.

Udover at HTML egner sig fortrinligt til fremstilling af online dokumentation og træningsmaterialer, har HTML også vist sig velegnet inden for en række andre områder.

HTML benyttes således i dag til online aviser og blade, "online shopping", elektroniske bøger, informationssøgning i databaser, on-line museer, on-line biblioteker, Bulletin Board Systems (BBS), diverse interessegrupper, nyhedsgrupper og selvfølgelig til brugervejledninger.



## 2. Ordlister

I forbindelse med World Wide Web og HTML er der et væld af forkortelser og gloser, der benyttes. Her er en hjælp til at forstå alle disse.

- ascii**      *American Standard Code for Information Interchange*: Bredt benyttet tegnsætstabel for computere. Ordet 'ascii' benyttes ofte i forbindelse med tekst, hvor der ikke ligger "skjulte" direktiver, som der fx. gør i de fleste tekstbehandlingsdokumenter.
- bbs**            eller *Bulleting Board System*. En slags elektronisk opslagstavle, hvor folk kan udveksle informationer. Ofte drives BBS'er af private personer for en mindre eller større kreds af mennesker, der deler et fælles interesseområde. BBS'er kontaktes oftes via almindelige telefonlinier gennem modem.
- browser**      *HTML-browser, net-browser eller WWW-browser*: Et program, der er i stand til at fortolke og fremvise et HTML-dokument, fx. Netscape, Mosaic eller Lynx.
- ftp**            *File Transfer Protocol*: En kommunikationsprotocol på Internettet, der benyttes til filoverførsel.
- gopher**        Et menusystem, der, indtil World Wide Webs fremkomst, var det mest udbredte system til en struktureret tilgang til informationer på Internettet.
- html**            *HyperText Markup Language*. Redigeringsprog til fremstilling af hyper-tekst-dokumenter. Der findes i dag flere versioner af sproget (HTML 1.0, HTML 2.0, HTML 3.0 eller HTML+), da HTML er under fortsat udvikling og udbygning.
- html-converter**: Et program, der enten kan konvertere mellem et almindelig tekstbehandlingsdokument/ren tekst og HTML eller vice versa - fx. konvertering af word-dokumenter til HTML.
- html-editor**    Et redigeringsprogram til HTML-dokumenter. Kan være en almindelig system-editor, et tekstbehandlingsprogram eller en speciel html-editor.
- http**            *HyperText Transport Protocol*: Netværksprotocol, der benyttes på Internettet til overførsel af HTML-dokumenter mellem computere.

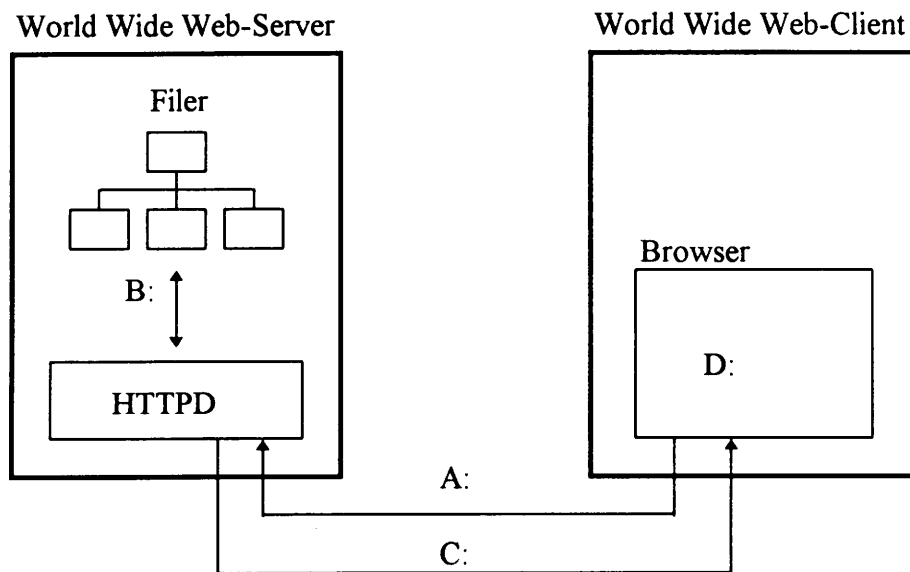


httpd	<i>HyperText Transport Protocol Daemon</i> : Baggrundsprogram, der benyttes på computere, som er World Wide Web servere.
hyperlink	hypertext link eller blot link: En reference i et HTML-dokument, der peger på et andet objekt eller en sektion i et HTML-dokument. Links i HTML er ofte URL'ere (se nedenfor).
lan	<i>Local Area Network</i> : Et net, hvor flere enheder er forbundet fysisk med kabler, typisk Ethernet coaxial kabler.
lm/x	eller <i>Lan Manager/X</i> : Netværksprotocol udviklet af Microsoft, der benyttes i forbindelse med opkobling af PC'ere på et lokalnet.
netware	Netværksprotocol udviklet af Novell til integration af PC'ere på lokalnetværk.
online shopping:	"Elektronisk postordre" - et begreb opstået i forbindelse med muligheden for at bestille varer og tjenesteydelser direkte gennem Internettet. En forretningsmetode, der især er voksende i USA.
sgml	<i>Standard Generalized Markup Language</i> : Generel beskrivelse af hypertext-format. HTML er specialprog, der følger SGML-standard.
tcp/ip	<i>Transmission Control Protocol / Internet Protocol</i> : Basis protocoller for Internettet.
telnet	Protocol under TCP/IP til terminalopkoblinger over Internettet.
url	<i>Uniform Resource Locator</i> : En adresseringsform for objekter på Internettet, samt beskrivelse af internetprotocol. URL's benyttes ofte til henvisninger (links) i HTML-dokumenter.
USENET	Nyhedsgrupper på Internettet
wan	<i>Wide Area Network</i> : Computere, der er placeret langt fra hinanden, men er forbundet med fx. telefonlinier.



### 3. HTML's virkemåde

Nedenstående skitse viser skematisk, hvordan udvekslingen af HTML-dokumenter foregår over Internettet.



- A: Client sender request gennem http til server
- B: Server finder ønsket objekt til client
- C: Server sender ønsket objekt til client
- D: Browser fortolker HTML-dokument og display'er dokument for bruger



### 3.1 Browsers

En browser er et program, der er i stand til at fortolke et HTML-dokument og vise dette for brugeren.

Der findes et stort antal forskellige browsere i dag. Der findes således browsere, der kan køre under DOS, MS Windows, OS/2, UNIX, X-Windows osv.

Man skelner mellem to hovedtyper af browsere: de tekstbaserede og de grafiske browsere. De tekstbaserede er beregnet til skærme, hvor man ikke har grafikmuligheder, fx på rene DOS-maskiner eller UNIX-maskiner, hvorimod de grafiske anvendes på systemer, hvor der gives mulighed for grafik, fx. MS Windows, OS/2 og X-Windows.

Hvilken type man skal benytte, er i høj grad afhængig af den hardware og software man allerede har til rådighed.

Har man mulighed for at benytte en grafisk browser må dette absolut foretrækkes.

### 3.2 HTML-editorer

Da et HTML-dokument er en ren ascii tekst, kan en hvilken som editor eller tekstbehandlingssystem i princippet anvendes til oprettelse og redigering af et HTML-dokument.

Almindelige system-editorer på PC'ere, såsom EDIT under DOS eller NOTESBLOK under Windows egner sig fortrinligt til indskrivning af HTML. På UNIX-systemer kan nævnes editorer som VI eller EMACS (sidstnævnte har i nyere versioner indbygget en option for HTML).

Alle nyere tekstbehandlingsanlæg kan også benyttes til indskrivning af HTML-dokumenter, blot der gemmes i rent tekstformat. Visse tekstbehandlingsanlæg har i dag også direkte mulighed for indskrivning og redigering af HTML.

Endelig findes der en del, såvel share- som freeware-editorer, der specielt er udviklet med henblik på HTML.

Hvilken editor man vælger, er i høj grad et spørgsmål om temperament. Nogle foretrækker det tekstbehandlingsanlæg eller den system editor, de er vant til at bruge, mens andre foretrækker at indskrive HTML med en, dertil indrettet, HTML-editor.

### 3.3 HTTP-dæmoner

En computer, der er i stand til at sende HTML-dokumenter til andre computere, kaldes en World Wide Web server.

For at en computer kan fungere som en World Wide Web server på Internettet, skal computeren have installeret et specielt baggrundsprogram, der kaldes en HTTP-dæmon. Det ligger uden for dette kursusmateriale at komme ind på, hvorledes dette i praksis lader sig gøre; men der kan henvises til den ganske udmærkede dokumentation, der findes herom på Internettet.

Ønsker man blot at kunne læse HTML-dokumenter på en server på et lokalnet, kan dette sagtens lade sig gøre uden en HTTP-dæmon. Her kan blot udnytte den eksisterende netsoftware, fx. Lan Manager/X eller Netware.



## 4. Grundlæggende elementer i HTML

Et HTML-dokument består af en blanding af den tekst, der skal vises for brugeren og forskellige HTML-elementer, der fortæller browseren, hvorledes teksten ønskes formateret, inden den bliver vist på skærmen.

Man kan således tale om, at et HTML-dokument er en blanding af tekst og HTML koder. Ofte benytter man benævnelsen 'mærke' om en HTML kode eller direktiv.

Alle HTML mærker er omgivet af tegnene < og >. Fx. vil et mærke, der angiver et dokumentets titel se således ud: <TITLE> eller <title>, da det er underordnet, om der benyttes store eller små bogstaver.

De fleste elementer i HTML består af to mærker. Det ene mærke angiver det sted i teksten, hvor en given definition starter. Fx. angiver mærket <TITLE>, at man fra dette sted i teksten ønsker at definere et dokumentets titel.

Det andet mærke angiver det sted i teksten, hvor en given definition slutter. Fx. angiver mærket </TITLE> at dokumentets titel slutter her.

Mærker, der ophæver en eller anden definition, vil altid være opbygget således </.....>.

### 4.1 Skelet for HTML-dokument

Når man opretter sit HTML-dokument, vil man som regel benytte en skabelon (forkodet tekst) som indeholder det minimum af elementer, der kræves for at kunne oprette et HTML-dokument.



Nedenstående eksempel viser det element-skelet, der minimalt bør være for at dokumentet overholder HTML 2.0 standarden.

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>Peters hjemmeside</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<H1>Peters hjemmeside</H1>
... Her indtastes din information! ...
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

Mærkerne i det angivne eksempel har følgende betydning:

`<HTML> ..... </HTML>` : HTML-elementet identificerer at dokumentet indeholder HTML-elementer.

`<HEAD> ..... </HEAD>` : HEAD elementet indeholder normalt TITLE elementet, der beskriver dokumentets titel. Endvidere kan HEAD elementet indeholde oplysninger om relationer til andre dokumenter, samt hvordan dokumentet skal anvendes.

`<TITLE> ..... </TITLE>` : TITLE elementet vises ikke direkte af browseren, men er dokumentets titel. Når et bogmærke oprettes for den pågældende side, vil teksten angivet i TITLE-elementet blive brugt.

`<BODY> ..... </BODY>` : BODY elementet indeholder dokumentets tekst og tilhørende HTML-elementer.

`<H1> ..... </H1>` : H1 elementet definerer en overskrift af type 1. (H1..H6 angiver forskellige overskriftsstørrelser)

Et HTML-dokument bør altid som minimum indeholde en HEAD sektion og en BODY sektion.

Mange af de browsere, der i dag er på markedet vil udmærket kunne vise et HTML-dokument, selvom alle ovennævnte elementer ikke er benyttet. Alligevel må det tilrådes at oprette sine dokumenter i overensstemmelse med den foreskrevne standard.



Hermed sikres bedst mulig kompatibilitet med fremtidige versioner af HTML, der må formodes at indeholde tidligere versioner af HTML som en delmængde af deres elementbeskrivelse.





# Opgave 1

*Formål:* - at konstruere et enkelt HTML-dokument og afprøve HTML editor og browser.

1. Start HTML editoren og indlæs standard HTML skabelonen *standard.htm* fra dit hjemmekatalog.
2. Indsæt nu en passende titel og overskrift (må gerne være identiske) og prøv at indskrive noget tekst mellem `<HR>` og `</BODY>`.
3. Se herefter dit HTML-dokument v. hj. a. browseren.

Prøv nu at ændre `<HR>` (*HR = horizontal ruler = vandret streg*) til `<HR size=6 width=50% align=center>`. Se herefter igen teksten med browseren. Hvad betyder de forskellige parametre til HR kommandoen? Eksperimenter selv videre med andre værdier for size, width og align parametrene.

Afprøv de forskellige formater for overskrifter. Indtast seks linier med teksterne *Overskrift type H1, Overskrift type H2 ...* osv. Lav lineskift mellem overskrifterne.

Er det muligt at bruge align parameteren i forbindelse med H1...H6 elementerne?

Prøv at indtaste nedenstående lille tekst, idet nyt afsnit markeres med elementet `<P>`. Afprøv også elementet `<BR>`. Hvad er forskellen mellem `<P>` og `<BR>`

**World Wide Web og Internet er begreber, der er nye for de fleste mennesker. Udviklingen er gået meget stærkt de seneste år inden for de muligheder, Internettet tilbyder.**

**Derfor kan man med stor fordel tage nogle kurser i forskellige emner indenfor Internettet.**



## 5. Layout

Når et dokument skal kodes i HTML, er der forskellige elementer, der kan benyttes for at få et overskueligt layout.

### 5.1 U-nummererede lister

En unummereret liste benyttes ofte, når man ønsker at vise forskellige punkter angivet ved hver sin linie og indrykket i forhold til venstekanten.

Nogle browsere viser en 'bullet' (kugle) ud for hver linie. Derfor kaldes listetypen også for en *Bullet List*.

En unummereret liste laves således:

1. Start med at åbne listen med mærket `<UL>`
2. Indtast mærket `<LI>` på begyndelsen af hver tekstlinie i listen
3. Luk listen med mærket `</UL>`

Fx. kan indskrivningen se således ud:

```
Nedenfor er angivet tre danske rodfrugter:<p>  
<UL>  
<LI>Kartoffel  
<LI>Selleri  
<LI>Radise  
</UL>
```

Browseren vil vise følgende:

*Nedenfor er angivet tre danske rodfrugter:*

- *Kartoffel*
- *Selleri*
- *Radise*

Mange grafiske browsere sætter automatisk en bullet (denne karakter •) eller lignende ind forrest på linien. Vil man være sikker på, at ens liste vises uden en bullet forrest på linien, kan man benytte typen *definitionsliste* (se nedenfor).



## 5.2 Nummererede lister

Den nummererede liste benyttes, når man vil vise en liste af nummererede punkter, hver bestående af en linie for sig.

En nummereret liste laves således:

1. Start med at åbne listen med mærket `<OL>` (Ordered List)
2. Indtast mærket `<LI>` på begyndelsen af hver tekstlinie i listen
3. Luk listen med mærket `</OL>`

Fx. kan indskrivningen se således ud:

```
<OL>  
<LI>Kartoffel  
<LI>Selleri  
<LI>Radise  
</OL>
```

Browseren vil vise følgende:

1. *Kartoffel*
2. *Selleri*
3. *Radise*

## 5.3 Definitionslistor

Denne listetype benyttes normalt, når en linie ønskes som en slags overskrift og efterfølgende linier ønskes indrykket i forhold til denne. Listen kan indeholde ligeså mange overskrifter og indrykninger som ønsket.



Følgende eksempel viser , hvorledes en definitionsliste kan opbygges:

```
<DL>
<DT> Kartoffel
<DD> Kartoflen tilhører natskyggefamilien og kan herhjemme dyrkes en gang
årligt.
I det tidlige forår lægges .....
<DT> Selleri
<DD> Selleri tilhører en af de mere hårdføre rodfrugter herhjemme. Selleri be-
nyttes ofte som en smagsforstærker i supper ol.
<DT> Radise
<DD> Radisen er en mindre rodfrugt, som kan dyrkes frilands herhjemme. Ra-
disen bruges ofte som pynt, fx i forbindelse med ostantretninger ol.
</DL>
```

Browseren vil vise følgende:

*Kartoffel*  
*Kartoflen tilhører natskyggefamilien og kan herhjemme dyrkes en gang årligt. I det tidlige forår lægges kartoflen .....*

*Selleri*  
*Selleri tilhører en af de mere hårdføre rodfrugter herhjemme. Selleri be-nyttes ofte som en smagssforstærker i supper ol.*

*Radise*  
*Radisen er en mindre rodfrugt, som kan dyrkes frilands herhjemme. Radisen bruges ofte som pynt, fx i forbindelse med ostantretninger ol.*

Ofte benyttes definitionslisten også til at lave unnumerede lister med. Definitionslisten kan med fordel benyttes til en unummeret liste, hvis man ønsker at angive sit eget indledningsstegn forrest på hver linie.

Hvis hver linie på en liste fx. ønskes begyndt med tegnet '\*', kan dette gøres således:

```
<DL>
<DT> * Kartoffel
<DT> * Selleri
<DT> * Radise
</DL>
```



En anden stor fordel ved definitionslisten er også, at det tilladt at definere nye definitionslister inden i allerede eksisterende definitionslister. Herved kan man få indrykket teksten i mere end blot et niveau.

## 5.4 Preformateret tekst

Ofte er det en fordel at kunne benytte allerede formateret tekst i sine HTML-dokumenter.

HTML-elementet `<PRE>` åbner mulighed for at kunne få HTML til at vise en tekst, som den er indskrevet, forudsat teksten er indskrevet i rent tekstformat.

HTML vil behandle tekst mellem mærkerne `<PRE>` og `</PRE>` efter følgende retningslinier:

- Linieskift respekteres. Til gengæld bør `<P>` og `<BR>` ikke benyttes.
- Anker-elementer og karakterfremhævelses-elementer (se senere) er tilladt.
- Elementer, der definerer afsnitsformatering er ikke tilladt (fx. H1..H6 og ADDRESS).
- Tabuleringer respekteres, men frarådes.

Normalt vil tekst defineret med `<PRE>` elementet blive vist med en fastbredde font, hvilket gør, at kommandoen egner sig godt til fx. allerede eksisterende teknisk dokumentation, der ønskes konverteret til HTML.

Nedenfor er vist et eksempel på en tekstindskrivning med elementet `<PRE>`:

`<PRE>`

*Budget for 1996:*

	<i>1. kvartal</i>	<i>2. kvartal</i>	<i>3. kvartal</i>	<i>4. kvartal</i>
<i>Indtægter</i>	<i>15.000</i>	<i>15.500</i>	<i>15.500</i>	<i>16.000</i>
<i>Udgifter</i>	<i>10.000</i>	<i>11.000</i>	<i>12.333</i>	<i>9.860</i>

`</PRE>`



Udskriften i browseren vil komme til at se således ud:

Budget for 1996:

	1. kvartal	2. kvartal	3. kvartal	4. kvartal
Indtægter	15.000	15.500	15.500	16.000
Udgifter	10.000	11.000	12.333	9.860

Som parameter til elementet <PRE> kan angives en fast bredde målt i karakterer mellem venstre og højre margen, fx. <PRE WIDTH="60">, hvilket betyder, at der vises 60 karakterer henover en linie, hvorefter der automatisk foretages et lineskift.

Har man dokumenter i andre formater, fx. i Word eller andre gængse formater, findes der en del konverteringsprogrammer, der kan konvertere fra et givent format til HTML.

## 5.5 HTML typografier

En væsentlig ingrediens i et virkningsfuldt layout er muligheden for at kunne benytte forskellige skrifter, skriftstørrelser, indrykninger etc.

I HTML skelner man mellem to hovedtyper af karakter-typografier (fremhævelses elementer):

**Fysiske typografier:** HTML-elementer, der angiver et bestemt udseende af teksten, uden hensyntagen til, hvorledes en given browser er konfigureret til at fortolke teksten. Hvis en tekst er angivet til at være fed, vil den være fed, ligegyldigt hvordan browseren er sat op - vel og mærke såfremt browseren er i stand til at fortolke koden for fed.

**Logiske typografier:** HTML-elementer, der angiver et bestemt udseende af tekst, men lader det være op til browseren at vise den pågældende effekt i overensstemmelse med browserens opsætning.

Med mindre man helt bestemt vil have en bestemt effekt vist, bør man holde sig til logiske typografier.



Eksempler på logiske elementer:

- <DFN> Definition af et ord. Bliver typisk vist i kursiv.  
(betydningen af *kartoffel* er .....)
- <EM> Fremhævelse af tekst (*emphasis*). Bliver typisk vist i kursiv.  
(*Introduktion til HTML*)
- <CITE> Bruges til titler på bøger, film , etc. Bliver typisk vist i kursiv.  
(*Borte med blæsten*)
- <CODE> Bruges i forbindelse med computer kode. Bliver typisk vist i en fast-  
bredde font, fx. Courier. ( <stdio.h>)
- <KBD> For at angive bruger indtastninger. Bør vises i fed i en fastbredde font, fx  
Courier Bold. ( Enter **passwd** to change your password )
- <SAMP> Bruges til at vise computer status meddelelser. Vises typisk i en fast-  
bredde font (Segmentation fault: Core dumped )
- <STRONG> Angiver en stærk fremhævelse. Bliver typisk vist i fed ( **Vigtigt!** )

Eksempler på fysiske elementer:

- <B> Teksten skal vises i fed (*Bold*)
- <I> Teksten skal vises i kursiv (*Italic*)
- <TT> Teksten skal vises i fastbredde font (*Typewriter Text*)

## 5.6 Specialtegn i HTML

De nuværende HTML-standarder indeholder kun direkte mulighed for at vise tegn, der ligger inden for den fastsatte standard for 7-bit ASCII (*American Standard Code for Information Interchange*).

Derfor kan man ikke være sikker på, at for eksempel specielle nationale tegn, såsom de danske æ, ø, å vil blive vist korrekt på alle maskiner rundt omkring i verden.

Ligeledes er der andre tegn, udover de specielle nationale bogstaver, man ofte har brug for i sine tekster.

Man kunne for eksempel forestille sig, at man ville lave noget dokumentation omkring HTML og i denne forbindelse havde brug for tegnene '<' og '>'. Da disse jo fortolkes af HTML browsere som element-afgrænsere, har man brug for at kunne angive specielle koder for disse tegn.





Tegnene kan slås op i en såkaldt udvidet tegntabel, som for HTML hedder ISO8859-1 tegnsættet (se Appendix B).

Her kan man se ethvert tegn og to koder for det pågældende tegn. Den ene kode er tegnets numeriske værdi i ISO-tabellen, fx. angives den numeriske kode for tegnet '<' som &#60. Den anden kode kaldes tegnets entitetsnavn og angives fx. for tegnet '<' således: &lt;.





## Opgave 2

*Formål: - at opbygge forskellige type af lister, samt afprøve forskellige karakter-typografier*

1. Opbyg nedenstående unummererede liste i HTML

**Fordelene ved at have en grafisk www-browser er følgende:**

- Overskuelige skærbilleder
- Mulighed for grafik
- Mulighed for farver

2. Kopier ovenstående liste og ændr koderne i listen, så listen fremstår som en nummereret liste.
3. Kopier listen endnu en gang og prøv ved hjælp af en definitionsliste, at få listen til at se således ud:

**Fordelene ved at have en grafisk www-browser er følgende:**

- Overskuelige skærbilleder
- Mulighed for grafik
- Mulighed for farver

4. I dit hjemmekatalog ligger der en fil, der hedder MSMAIL.INI. Indlæs denne fil i din HTML editor og formater teksten ved hjælp af <PRE> elementet. Prøv også at unklade at formatere med <PRE> og se forskellen i browseren.
5. Indlæs teksten special.htm i din editor og tilpas typografien, så tekstens specialtegn vises korrekt.
6. Afprøv nogle karakter-typografier. Afprøv både nogle logiske og nogle fysiske.





## 6. Referencer til objekter

En af de grundlæggende idéer i World Wide Web (som oversat fra engelsk betyder verdensomspændende spindelvæv) er, at man i sine HTML-dokumenter skal have mulighed for at lave henvisninger til andre objekter rundt omkring på Internettet.

### 6.1 URL's

De første spæde tiltag til det Internet, vi kender i dag, opstod i slutningen af tresserne. I gennem de år, der er gået, er mængden af netværk og computer, der er tilsluttet Internettet, vokset år for år.

Siden 1990 har væksten været overordentlig stor, og der er derfor opstået et behov for at kunne ordne og finde data på mere systematiske måder rundt omkring på nettet.

Gennem årene er der udviklet flere forskellige måder at organisere data på. Derfor varierer de værktøjer og metoder, man benytter for at få fat på data.

For at man skal kunne få fat i data gennem World Wide Web's HTML-dokumenter på en ensartet måde, har man indført et begreb, der kaldes URL (udtales ligesom *earl* i det engelske ord *early* og er en forkortelse for *Uniform Resource Locator*, hvilket på dansk betyder noget i retningen af 'standardiseret resource vejviser').

En URL består af en beskrivelse af den metode man benytter for at få tilgang til data, efterfulgt af et kolon, hvorefter der kommer en beskrivelse af hvilke konkrete data, man ønsker tilgang til.

Ofte er den sidste del af URL'en efter kolon'et slet og ret en adresse, der indholder et computernavn og en stiangivelse (path) til det ønskede objekt.

Syntax'en for en URL ser således ud:

*resource\_type://host.domain[:port]/path/filename*

Nedenstående eksempler viser de mest benyttede typer af URL's.



*file://wuarchive.wustl.edu/mirrors/msdos/graphics/gifkit.zip*

Referer til en filen *mirrors/msdos/graphics/gifkit.zip*, der ligger på maskinen kaldet *wuarchive.wustl.edu*

*file:///c:\windows\readme.txt*

Referer til filen *c:\windows\readme.txt* på nuværende maskine. Denne URL-type benyttes ofte, når man ønsker at lave en henvisning til en fil eller katalog på den nuværende maskine.

*ftp://ftp.imp.ch/www/utilities/HTML-Writer/hw9b4all.zip*

Betyder at filen */www/utilities/HTML-Writer/hw9b4all.zip* på maskinen *ftp.imp.ch* skal overføres ved hjælp af filoverførselsprotokollen *ftp*. Denne URL-type benyttes ofte i forbindelse med overførsel af filer fra maskiner, der indeholder programbiblioteker med free- og shareware.

*gopher://gopher.microsoft.com/*

Betyder at der skal etableres en forbindelse gennem menufortolknings-programmet *gopher* til maskinen *gopher.microsoft.com*. Denne URL -type benyttes, når der ønskes tilgang til det verdensomspændende *gopher*-system, som var en slags menustyret forløber til World Wide Web.

*http://www.dde.dk/mar/dkfacts.html*

Betyder at HTML-dokumentet *mar/dkfacts.html* fra maskinen *www.dde.dk* ønskes overført gennem HTTP protokollen og vist af browseren.

*news:alt.hypertext*

Betyder, at nyhedsgruppen *alt.hypertext* ønskes læst.

*telnet://unv3*

Betyder at man ønsker at etablere en *telnet*-forbindelse til maskinen *unv3*. Benyttes når et login ønskes på en given maskine.

*mailto:pml@dde.dk*

Betyder at man ønsker at afsende mail til personen med brugernavnet *pml* på maskinen *dde.dk*.



Flere af ovenstående URL-typer kræver, at den browser, der skal fortolke dem, enten har indbyggede faciliteter til at håndtere typen, eller også har eksterne hjælpeprogrammer tilknyttet.

Dette bør indgå i de overvejelser man gør sig over, hvilke URL man indbygger i sine HTML-dokumenter.

Ofte vil det være muligt at anvende en alternativ metode i stedet for at benytte en URL, som man ikke kan være sikker på understøttes af alle browsere.

## 6.2 Hypertext links, hyperlinks eller ankre

Når et HTML-dokument skal referere til et objekt på Internettet, sker dette gennem en såkaldt *hypertext link*, et *hyperlink* eller blot *anker*. De tre ord står for det samme og bruges i flæng.

Et hyperlink eller et anker er et element, der beskriver et synligt element på skærmen (tekst eller billede) og en reference til et objekt på Internettet, angivet ved en adresse (en URL eller en sektionsangivelse).

Syntax'en for en URL ser således ud:

```
<a method="protocol://location/file#destination"> text/object </a>
```

Nedenstående eksempler viser forskellige typer af hyperlinks.

*Klik <a href="#email"> her </a> hvis du vil se min e-mail adresse*

.....

*Min e-mail adresse <a name="email"> er pml@dde.dk*

Denne type af hyperlink består egentlig af to elementer. Det første element definerer en henvisning til et sektionsmærke et andet sted i teksten.

Det andet element definerer sektionsmærket på det sted i teksten, hvor der henvises til. Det er muligt at lave flere henvisninger fra forskellige steder i teksten til det samme sted. Dette benyttes, når man vil have flere referencer i en tekst, der viser hen til det samme sted i teksten, fx. til indholdsfortegnelsen.

*Se eksempel på opsætningen af filen <a href="msmail.htm">msmail.ini</a>*

Dette link henviser til et andet HTML-dokument på samme computer, som det henvi-sende dokument.

Denne form for link - uden nogen computer- eller path-angivelse - er at foretrække, når der laves henvisninger inden for samme maskine.



Herved undgår man at skulle tilrette links, hvis man flytter sammenhørende dokumenter fra en maskine til en anden.

Det er muligt at foretage et opslag efter et bestemt ord i den tekst, der linkes til. Dette gøres ved at tilføje et sektionsmærke efter filnavnet. Fx. kunne ovenstående reference se således ud med et sektionsmærke:

*Se eksempel på opsætningen af mac i filen*

```
<a href="msmail.htm#mac">msmail.ini</a>
```

Dette link vil få browseren til at vise det sted i teksten msmail.htm, der indeholder elementet `<a name="mac"></a>`

*Den eneste producent af UNIX maskiner i Danmark hedder*

```
<a href="http://www.dde.dk/mar/dkfacts.html">Dansk Data Elektronik</a>
```

Aktivering af link'et *Dansk Data Elektronik* vil få browseren til at sende en anmodning til maskinen *www.dde.dk* om at få tilsendt dokumentet *mar/dkfacts.html*. HTTP dæmonen på maskinen *www.dde.dk* finder nu det ønskede dokument og afsender dette til klienten.

Ofte vil dokumenter på web-servere være udbudt på nettet med path (stiangivelse) til de forskellige dokumenter.

Normalt vil en systemadministrator på en web-server definere en separat path for det område af computeren, der ønskes benyttet til lagring af filer tilgængelige for World Wide Web.

På mange servere kan man referere til et underkatalog til en bestemt brugers hjemmekatalog ved at angive tegnet ~ (tilde) foran brugerens login-id.

Fx. vil URL'en *http://brother.dde.dk/~pml/* således referere til kataloget *public\_html*, der er et underkatalog til brugeren *pml*'s hjemmekatalog på maskinen *brother.dde.dk*.

Hvis der ikke angives nogen path, men blot maskinens navn, vil der normalt blive søgt efter en fil, der hedder *index.htm* (eller *index.html* i UNIX) i det katalog, som systemadministratoren har valgt som default katalog for forespørgsler gennem HTTP dæmonen.

Hvis der blot angives maskinens navn og en path uden noget filnavn, vil der normalt blive søgt efter en fil, der hedder *index.htm* (eller *index.html* i UNIX) i det pågældende katalog.

Hvis der i de to sidstnævnte tilfælde ikke findes noget *index* dokument, vil http-dæmonen som regel returnere en listning af kataloget. Samtidigt vil alle indgange i kataloget optræde som nye links, hvilket kan være meget nyttigt, hvis man vil hente en speciel fil på en server.





Venligst rapporter fejl til (<A HREF="mailto:webmaster@dde.dk">  
webmaster@dde.dk</A>)

Aktivering af referencen *webmaster@dde.dk* vil få clientens browser til at starte en mailfunktion op (forudsat browseren har denne mulighed indbygget eller har mulighed for at kalde et eksternt mail-program).

Clienten kan nu indskrive sin mail, og der findes som regel en afsendelsesmekanisme, som kan aktiveres for at afsende denne til den angivne e-mail adresse.

Nogle browsere understøtter ikke mailto funktionen. Så hvis man udelukkende benytter mailto-links i sine HTML-dokumenter, kan man ikke være sikker på, at alle kan svare via e-mail uden at skulle afslutte sin browser først og herefter starte et specielt mailprogram op.

Der findes to alternative metoder, der bruges til at indbygge en mailfunktion uden at bruge mailto-links.

Den ene metode består i, at man laver et såkaldt *form*-element, som clienten så kan udfylde. Form-elementet vil så sende de indtastede data til et bagvedliggende program, der sørger for at mail'e den indtastede tekst i formen til den ønskede person.

Den anden måde består i, at lave et link til en decideret WWW mail-gateway server, der har en service, der består i at lade clienter indtaste mails, hvorefter serveren sørger for at sende mail'en til den ønskede person.



## Opgave 3

*Formål: - At kunne konstruere forskellige former for links til interne og eksterne objekter.*

1. Indlæs teksten `servere.htm` i din HTML editor. Indsæt de nødvendige hyperlinks, så de forskellige firmanavne fremstår som referencer til de relevante Internet servere.  
Her er en liste over navnene på de relevante servere:  
`www.dde.dk`, `www.uni-c.dk`, `www.dknet.dk`, `www.microsoft.com`,  
`www.whitehouse.gov`, `www.disney.com`.
2. Opret selv tre hyperlinks nederst i dokumentet `SERVERE.HTM` til tre steder ude på Internettet.
3. I dit hjemmekatalog ligger der to filer, kaldet hhv. `MADGLAD.HTM` og `OPSKRIFT.HTM`. Dokumentet `MADGLAD.HTM` beskriver nogle historiske personers livretter og dokumentet `OPSKRIFT.HTM` beskriver opskrifterne på disse livretter. Lav nu de relevante hyperlinks fra `MADGLAD.HTM` til de relevante opskrifter i `OPSKRIFT.HTM`.
4. Prøv at tilrette dokumentet `OPSKRIFT.HTM`, så der under hver opskrift står ordet *retur* som et hyperlink, der returnerer til teksten `MADGLAD.HTM`. Er det muligt fra en konkret opskrift at komme tilbage til det sted i teksten `MADGLAD.HTM`, hvor netop denne opskrift omtales?  
Gem den tilrettede version af dokumentet. (Til senere brug)
5. Indsæt nedenstående linie som en `mailto` reference nederst i filen `SERVERE.HTM`. Spørg instruktøren om et reelt brugernavn, der må indsættes i stedet for `<username>`.

*Venligst send forslag og kommentarer til `<username>@dde.dk`*

6. Se hvad der sker, når ovenstående reference aktiveres fra din browser. Send en høflig mail til vedkommende.



## 7. Grafik og andre objekt-typer

I de grafiske browsere er der mulighed for at se grafiske objekter direkte på skærmen, mens et HTML-dokument gennemses.

Endvidere rummer en hel del browsere mulighed for at kunne tilknytte forskellige eksterne programmer, således at forskellige audio/visuelle filtyper kan aktiveres. Nedenstående liste viser en oversigt over de mest benyttede audio/visuelle filtyper på Internettet i dag:

<i>Fil type</i>	<i>Extension</i>
GIF billede	.gif
TIFF billede	.tiff eller .tif
XBM bitmap billede	.xbm
JPEG billede	.jpg eller .jpeg
PostScript fil	.ps
AIFF sound	.aiff eller .aif
AU sound	.au
Quick time movie	.mov
MPEG movie	.mpeg eller .mpg

Når man konstruerer et HTML-dokument er det fordel, at man holder sig op af filformater, der er bredt anerkendte på Internettet.

Holder man sig til GIF-formatet, når man vil inkludere grafik i sine dokumenter, er der den største chance for, at andre kan se ens grafik, da netop GIF-formatet nok er det mest udbredte grafikformat for tiden på internettet.

Ønsker man at benytte illustrationer, der ligger i et andet format end GIF, fx. BMP-formatet, er det en god idé at konvertere disse billeder til GIF-formatet. Der findes forskellige sharewareprogrammer, der klarer konvertering af et grafisk format til et andet. Flere af disse kan forøvrigt hentes direkte ude på nettet.

Det er muligt fra et HTML-dokument at linke til grafiske elementer, der ligger på samme server som dokumentet.

Endvidere kan et dokument indeholde et link til et grafisk objekt ude på Internettet.

Syntaxen for et link til et grafisk objekt er følgende:

```
<IMG [ALIGN=<alignment>] SRC = "<grafik-fil>" [ALT = "<Alternative text>"]>
```

Nedenstående viser eksempler på begge typer af links:

```
<IMG SRC = "globus.gif" ALT = "Billede af en globus">
```

Dette link henviser til GIF-filen *globus.gif* på nuværende server. Ved hjælp af parameteren ALT kan en alternativ tekst defineres. Denne tekst vil vises af browsere, der ikke har mulighed for at vise grafik.

```
<IMG SRC = "http://daffy.cadvision.com/bookstore/logo2.gif" ALT = "Billede">
```

Dette link henviser til GIF-filen *bookstore/logo2.gif* på serveren *daffy.cadvision.com*.

Der findes en underkommando til IMG elementet, der hedder ALIGN. Denne benyttes til at bestemme, hvor et grafisk element skal placeres i forhold til en given tekst. ALIGN kan have følgende tre værdier: *top*, *middle* eller *bottom*.

```
<A HREF="http://info.denet.dk/cgi-bin/imagemap/dkmap">
```

```
<IMG SRC="http://info.denet.dk/dkmap.gif" ISMAP></A>
```

Dette grafiske element er en af de mere komplicerede grafiske linktyper. Faktisk er der jo tale om to links nemlig både *http://info.denet.dk/cgi-bin/imagemap/dkmap* og *http://info.denet.dk/dkmap.gif*.

Virkningen af ovenstående er, at der gives mulighed at aktivere nye links ved at klikke med musen på bestemte steder i en illustration.

Den bagvedliggende teknik skal ikke forklares nærmere her, men der kan henvises til relevant litteratur herom på Internettet.

Oftentimes kan det være en fordel, hvis et hyperlink kan aktiveres ved klik på en illustration. Nedenstående viser et eksempel på en illustration af en pil, der også virker som hyperlink.

*DDE's WWW-Server* `&#160;<a href="http://www.dde.dk"></a>`

NB: Koden `&#160;` er et mellemrumstegn. Dette er for at give lidt "luft" mellem teksten og pilen.





## Opgave 4

*Formål: - At kunne anvende illustrationer i HTML-dokumenter, samt at kunne hente nødvendige illustrationer på Internettet.*

1. Opret et nyt dokument i din HTML-editor. Indsæt det grafiske element *line.gif* (en vandret linie i farven gul) i stedet for de normale vandrette streger givet ved `<HR>`.
2. Forsyn nu dit dokument med titlen "`<dit-navn>`'s hjemmeside".
3. Skriv nedenstående tekst i dokumentet ved hjælp af en titel og en definitionsliste:

### Mine interesser er:

Cykling  
Biografture  
Madlavning

4. Forsyn hver af de ovenstående tekstlinier i definitionslisten med en lille rød bold i begyndelsen af linien. Benyt det grafiske element *redball.gif*.
5. Indlæs teksten OPSKRIFT.HTM i HTML-editoren. På de steder hvor du i opgave 3.4 indsatte referencen *RETUR* skal du nu, foruden ordet *RETUR* også indsætte iconen *back.gif*.  
Det skal være således, at man returnerer til dokumentet MADGLAD.HTM ved at aktivere pilen.
6. Med udgangspunkt i dokumentet HOMEPAGE.HTM skal du lave din egen "homepage".  
Find steder "ude" på nettet, du synes kunne være interessant at lave links til. Prøv også at inkludere grafiske objekter i din "homepage".



## 8. Appendix A

### Programintegration

I mange tilfælde er det yderst nyttigt, hvis man fra et HTML-dokument har mulighed for at kunne kalde et internt program på den server, hvor HTML-dokumentet befinder sig eller et eksternt program på en anden server.

I opsætningen af serveren kan systemadministratoren udbyde et specielt programområde, hvor programmer kan kaldes fra HTML-dokumenter.

Den enkleste måde at kalde et et sådant program på, er ved at sende en URL, der simpelhen indeholder de nødvendige oplysninger for at aktivere scriptet.

Nedenstående URL viser kaldet af et shell-script på serveren. Scriptets opgave er at vise serverens tidsangivelse.

*<http://unv3/htbin/date>*

Ofte kan det være ønskeligt, hvis der kan gives options/parametre med til et givent program. Følgende to eksempler viser, hvorledes et script kan kaldes hhv. med og uden options.

*<http://unv3/htbin/who>*

*<http://unv3/htbin/who?-b>*

Det, der kommer efter ?-tegnet, er den liste af options og parametre, der skal overføres til scriptet. Hvis der er flere options/argumenter til programmet, separeres disse med tegnet '+'. Fx. vil følgende URL kalde et script på serveren, der undersøger om et givent ord findes i en given fil på serveren. Hvis ordet findes, returneres de(n) linie(r), hvori ordet indgår.

*<http://unv3/htbin/grep?oracle+/etc/passwd>*



Det at kunne angive parametre direkte i forbindelse med URL'en kan være udmærket i de tilfælde, hvor brugeren af HTML-dokumentet ikke selv skal angive parametre, men dette i forvejen er forvalgt af HTML-forfatteren.

I en række tilfælde kan det imidlertid være nyttigt, hvis brugeren gennem nogle indtastningsområder direkte på skærmen gives mulighed for at kunne angive parametre til et givent program på serveren.

Der findes forskellige måder at opsætte sådanne sider på. Det vil falde uden for dette kursusmateriale, at komme ind på de forskellige opsætningsmuligheder, men der kan henvises til relevant materiale herom på Internettet - fx. på følgende adresser:

<http://hoohoo.ncsa.uiuc.edu/docs/tutorials/>

<http://www.w3.org/hypertext/WWW/Daemon/Status.html>

Et eksempel på en side med et indtastningsfelt er givet i HTML-dokumentet KALFORM.HTM. Gennem dette dokument gives brugeren mulighed for at angive en given måned i et givent år i en form.

Når brugeren aktiverer funktionen "Afsend forespørgsel", sendes data til et shell-script på serveren, som returnerer et HTML-dokument til klienten. Det dokument, serveren returnerer, indeholder en udskrift af den ønskede måned.



## 9. Appendix B

### iso8859-1 table

Description		Code	Entity name
quotation mark		&#34; --> "	&quot; --> "
ampersand		&#38; --> &	&amp; --> &
less-than sign		&#60; --> <	&lt; --> <
greater-than sign		&#62; --> >	&gt; --> >

Description	Char	Code	Entity name
non-breaking space		&#160; -->	&nbsp; --> &nbsp;
inverted exclamation mark	¡	&#161; --> ¡	&iexcl; --> ¡
cent sign	¢	&#162; --> ¢	&cent; --> ¢
pound sign	£	&#163; --> £	&pound; --> £
currency sign	¤	&#164; --> ¤	&curren; --> ¤
yen sign	¥	&#165; --> ¥	&yen; --> ¥
broken vertical bar		&#166; -->	&brvbar; -->
section sign	§	&#167; --> §	&sect; --> §
spacing diaeresis	¨	&#168; --> ¨	&uml; --> &uml;
copyright sign	©	&#169; --> ©	&copy; --> ©
feminine ordinal indicator	ª	&#170; --> ª	&ordf; --> ª
angle quotation mark, left	«	&#171; --> «	&laquo; --> «
negation sign	¬	&#172; --> ¬	&not; --> ¬
soft hyphen	-	&#173; --> -	&shy; --> -
circled R registered sign	®	&#174; --> ®	&reg; --> ®
spacing macron	¯	&#175; --> ¯	&hibar; --> &hibar;
degree sign	°	&#176; --> °	&deg; --> &deg;
plus-or-minus sign	±	&#177; --> ±	&plusmn; --> ±
superscript 2	²	&#178; --> ²	&sup2; --> ²
superscript 3	³	&#179; --> ³	&sup3; --> ³
spacing acute	´	&#180; --> ´	&acute; --> ´
micro sign	µ	&#181; --> µ	&micro; --> µ
paragraph sign	¶	&#182; --> ¶	&para; --> ¶
middle dot	·	&#183; --> ·	&middot; --> ·
spacing cedilla	¸	&#184; --> ¸	&cedil; --> cedil;
superscript 1	¹	&#185; --> ¹	&sup1; --> ¹
masculine ordinal indicator	º	&#186; --> º	&ordm; --> º
angle quotation mark, right	»	&#187; --> »	&raquo; --> »
fraction 1/4	¼	&#188; --> ¼	&frac14; --> ¼
fraction 1/2	½	&#189; --> ½	&frac12; --> ½
fraction 3/4	¾	&#190; --> ¾	&frac34; --> ¾
inverted question mark	¿	&#191; --> ¿	&iquest; --> ¿
capital A, grave accent	À	&#192; --> À	&Agrave; --> À
capital A, acute accent	Á	&#193; --> Á	&Aacute; --> Á
capital A, circumflex accent	Â	&#194; --> Â	&Acirc; --> Â
capital A, tilde	Ã	&#195; --> Ã	&Atilde; --> Ã
capital A, dieresis or umlaut mark	Ä	&#196; --> Ä	&Auml; --> Ä
capital A, ring	Å	&#197; --> Å	&Aring; --> Å
capital AE diphthong (ligature)	Æ	&#198; --> Æ	&AElig; --> Æ
capital C, cedilla	Ç	&#199; --> Ç	&Ccedil; --> Ç



capital E, grave accent	È	&#200; --> È	&Egrave; --> È
capital E, acute accent	É	&#201; --> É	&Eacute; --> É
capital E, circumflex accent	Ê	&#202; --> Ê	&Ecirc; --> Ê
capital E, dieresis or umlaut mark	Ë	&#203; --> Ë	&Euml; --> Ë
capital I, grave accent	Ì	&#204; --> Ì	&Igrave; --> Ì
capital I, acute accent	Í	&#205; --> Í	&Iacute; --> Í
capital I, circumflex accent	Î	&#206; --> Î	&Icirc; --> Î
capital I, dieresis or umlaut mark	Ï	&#207; --> Ï	&Iuml; --> Ï
capital Eth, Icelandic	Ð	&#208; --> Ð	&ETH; --> Ð &Dstrok; --> &Dstrok;
capital N, tilde	Ñ	&#209; --> Ñ	&Ntilde; --> Ñ
capital O, grave accent	Ò	&#210; --> Ò	&Ograve; --> Ò
capital O, acute accent	Ó	&#211; --> Ó	&Oacute; --> Ó
capital O, circumflex accent	Ô	&#212; --> Ô	&Ocirc; --> Ô
capital O, tilde	Õ	&#213; --> Õ	&Otilde; --> Õ
capital O, dieresis or umlaut mark	Ö	&#214; --> Ö	&Ouml; --> Ö
multiplication sign	×	&#215; --> ×	&times; --> ×
capital O, slash	Ø	&#216; --> Ø	&Oslash; --> Ø
capital U, grave accent	Ù	&#217; --> Ù	&Ugrave; --> Ù
capital U, acute accent	Ú	&#218; --> Ú	&Uacute; --> Ú
capital U, circumflex accent	Û	&#219; --> Û	&Ucirc; --> Û
capital U, dieresis or umlaut mark	Ü	&#220; --> Ü	&Uuml; --> Ü
capital Y, acute accent	Ý	&#221; --> Ý	&Yacute; --> Ý
capital THORN, Icelandic	Þ	&#222; --> Þ	&THORN; --> Þ
small sharp s, German (sz ligature)	ß	&#223; --> ß	&szlig; --> ß
small a, grave accent	à	&#224; --> à	&agrave; --> à
small a, acute accent	á	&#225; --> á	&aacute; --> á
small a, circumflex accent	â	&#226; --> â	&acirc; --> â
small a, tilde	ã	&#227; --> ã	&atilde; --> ã
small a, dieresis or umlaut mark	ä	&#228; --> ä	&auml; --> ä
small a, ring	å	&#229; --> å	&aring; --> å
small ae diphthong (ligature)	æ	&#230; --> æ	&aelig; --> æ
small c, cedilla	ç	&#231; --> ç	&ccedil; --> ç
small e, grave accent	è	&#232; --> è	&egrave; --> è
small e, acute accent	é	&#233; --> é	&eacute; --> é
small e, circumflex accent	ê	&#234; --> ê	&ecirc; --> ê
small e, dieresis or umlaut mark	ë	&#235; --> ë	&euml; --> ë
small i, grave accent	ì	&#236; --> ì	&igrave; --> ì
small i, acute accent	í	&#237; --> í	&iacute; --> í
small i, circumflex accent	î	&#238; --> î	&icirc; --> î
small i, dieresis or umlaut mark	ï	&#239; --> ï	&iuml; --> ï
small eth, Icelandic	ð	&#240; --> ð	&eth; --> ð
small n, tilde	ñ	&#241; --> ñ	&ntilde; --> ñ
small o, grave accent	ò	&#242; --> ò	&ograve; --> ò
small o, acute accent	ó	&#243; --> ó	&oacute; --> ó
small o, circumflex accent	ô	&#244; --> ô	&ocirc; --> ô
small o, tilde	õ	&#245; --> õ	&otilde; --> õ
small o, dieresis or umlaut mark	ö	&#246; --> ö	&ouml; --> ö
division sign	÷	&#247; --> ÷	&divide; --> ÷
small o, slash	ø	&#248; --> ø	&oslash; --> ø
small u, grave accent	ù	&#249; --> ù	&ugrave; --> ù
small u, acute accent	ú	&#250; --> ú	&uacute; --> ú
small u, circumflex accent	û	&#251; --> û	&ucirc; --> û
small u, dieresis or umlaut mark	ü	&#252; --> ü	&uuml; --> ü
small y, acute accent	ý	&#253; --> ý	&yacute; --> ý
small thorn, Icelandic	þ	&#254; --> þ	&thorn; --> þ
small y, dieresis or umlaut mark		&#255; -->	&yuml; -->



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#### ABSTRACT

The Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) is a simple markup language used to create hypertext documents that are platform independent. HTML documents are SGML documents with generic semantics that are appropriate for representing information from a wide range of domains. HTML markup can represent hypertext news, mail, documentation, and hypermedia; menus of options; database query results; simple structured documents with in-lined graphics; and hypertext views of existing bodies of information.

HTML has been in use by the World Wide Web (WWW) global information initiative since 1990. This specification roughly corresponds to the capabilities of HTML in common use prior to June 1994. HTML is an application of ISO Standard 8879:1986 Information Processing Text and Office Systems; Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML).

The `"text/html; version=2.0"` Internet Media Type (RFC 1590) and MIME Content Type (RFC 1521) is defined by this specification.

#### 1. Introduction

The HyperText Markup Language (HTML) is a simple data format used to create hypertext documents that are portable from one platform to another. HTML documents are SGML documents with generic semantics that are appropriate for representing information from a wide range of domains.

##### 1.1. Scope

HTML has been in use by the World-Wide Web (WWW) global information initiative since 1990. This specification corresponds to the capabilities of HTML in common use prior to June 1994 and referred to as `"HTML 2.0"`.

HTML is an application of ISO Standard 8879:1986 Information Processing Text and Office Systems; Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML). The HTML Document Type Definition (DTD) is a formal definition of the HTML syntax in terms of SGML.

This specification also defines HTML as an Internet Media Type[IMEDIA] and MIME Content Type[MIME] called `"text/html"`, or `"text/html; version=2.0"`. As such, it defines the semantics of the HTML syntax and how that syntax should be interpreted by user agents.





## 1.2. Conformance

This specification governs the syntax of HTML documents and the behaviour of HTML user agents.

### 1.2.1. Documents

A document is a conforming HTML document only if:

- \* It is a conforming SGML document, and it conforms to the HTML DTD (see 11.1, "HTML DTD")
- \* It conforms to the application conventions in this specification. For example, the value of the 'HREF' attribute of the <A> element must conform to the URI syntax.
- \* Its document character set includes ISO-8859-1 and agrees with ISO10646; that is, each code position listed in 14.1, "The ISO-8859-1 Coded Character Set" is included, and each code position in the document character set is mapped to the same character as ISO10646 designates for that code position.

NOTE - The document character set is somewhat independent of the character encoding scheme used to represent a document. For example, the ISO-2022-JP character encoding scheme can be used for HTML documents, since its repertoire is a subset of the ISO10646 repertoire. The critical distinction is that numeric character references agree with ISO10646 regardless of how the document is encoded.

NOTE - There are a number of syntactic idioms that are not supported or are supported inconsistently in some historical user agent implementations. These idioms are called out in notes like this throughout this specification.

HTML documents should not contain these idioms, at least until such time as support for them is widely deployed.

The HTML DTD defines a standard HTML document type and several variations, based on feature test entities:

#### HTML.Recommended

Certain features of the language are necessary for compatibility with widespread usage, but they may compromise the structural integrity of a document. This feature test entity enables a more prescriptive document type definition that eliminates those features.



For example, in order to preserve the structure of a document, an editing user agent may translate HTML documents to the recommended subset, or it may require that the documents be in the recommended subset for import.

#### HTML.Deprecated

Certain features of the language are necessary for compatibility with earlier versions of the specification, but they tend to be used and implemented inconsistently, and their use is deprecated. This feature test entity enables a document type definition that eliminates these features.

Documents generated by translation software or editing software should not contain these idioms.

#### 1.2.2. User Agents

An HTML user agent conforms to this specification if:

- \* It parses the characters of an HTML document into data characters and markup as per [SGML].
- \* It supports the ISO-8859-1 character encoding scheme, and processes each character in the ISO Latin Alphabet Nr. 1 as specified in 5.1, "The ISO Latin 1 Character Repertoire".

NOTE - To support non-western writing systems, HTML user agents should support the Unicode-1-1-UTF-8 and Unicode-1-1-UCS-2 encodings and as much of the character repertoire of ISO10646 as is possible as well.

- \* It behaves identically for documents whose parsed token sequences are identical.

For example, comments and the whitespace in tags disappear during tokenization, and hence they do not influence the behaviour of conforming user agents.

- \* It allows the user to traverse (or at least attempt to traverse, resources permitting) all hyperlinks in an HTML document.

- \* It allows the user to express all form field values specified in an HTML document and to (attempt to) submit the values as requests to information services.

NOTE - In the interest of robustness and extensibility, there are a number of widely deployed conventions for handling non-conforming documents. See 3.2.1, "Undeclared Markup Error Handling" for details.

#### 2. HTML as an Application of SGML

HTML is an application of ISO Standard 8879:1986 - Standard

Generalized Markup Language (SGML). SGML is a system for defining structured document types and markup languages to represent instances of those document types[SGML]. The public text -- DTD and SGML declaration -- of the HTML document type definition are provided in 11, "HTML Public Text".

The term `_HTML_` refers to both the document type defined here and the markup language for representing instances of this document type.

## 2.1. SGML Documents

An HTML document is an SGML document; that is, a sequence of characters organized physically into a set of entities, and logically as a hierarchy of elements.

The first production of the SGML grammar separates an SGML document into three parts: an SGML declaration, a prologue, and an instance. For the purposes of this specification, the prologue is a DTD. This DTD describes another grammar: the start symbol is given in the doctype declaration; the terminals are data characters and tags, and the productions are determined by the element declarations. The instance must conform to the DTD, that is, it must be in the language defined by this grammar.

The SGML declaration determines the lexicon of the grammar. It specifies the document character set, which determines a character repertoire that contains all characters that occur in all text entities in the document, and the code positions associated with those characters.

The SGML declaration also specifies the syntax-reference character set of the document, and a few other parameters that bind the abstract syntax of SGML to a concrete syntax. This concrete syntax determines how the sequence of characters of the document is mapped to a sequence of terminals in the grammar of the prologue.

For example, consider the following document:

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0//EN">
<title>Parsing Example</title>
<p>Some text. <em>*&#42;wow*&#42;</em></p>
```

An HTML user agent should use the SGML declaration is given in 11.2, "SGML Declaration for HTML". According to the document character set there, '&#42;' refers to an asterisk character.

The instance above is regarded as the following sequence of terminals:



1. TITLE start-tag
2. data characters: ``Parsing Example''
3. TITLE end-tag
4. P start-tag
5. data characters ``Some text. ''
6. EM start-tag
7. ``\*wow\*''
8. EM end-tag

The start symbol of the DTD grammar is HTML, and the productions are given in the public text identified by `-'//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0//EN' (11.1, "HTML DTD"). Hence the terminals above parse as:

```

HTML
|
|-HEAD
| |
| | \-TITLE
| | |
| | | \-<TITLE>
| | | |
| | | | \-"Parsing Example"
| | | | |
| | | | | \-</TITLE>
| | |
| |
| | \-BODY
| | |
| | | \-P
| | | |
| | | | \-<P>
| | | | |
| | | | | \-"Some text. "
| | | | | |
| | | | | | \-EM
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | | \-<EM>
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | \-"*wow*"
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | \-</EM>
| | | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | \-</P>

```

## 2.2. HTML Lexical Syntax

SGML specifies an abstract syntax and a reference concrete syntax. Aside from certain quantities and capacities (e.g. the limit on the length of a name), all HTML documents use the reference concrete syntax. In particular, all markup characters are in the ISO-646-IRV character repertoire. Data characters are drawn from the document character set (see 5, "Character Content").



A complete discussion of SGML parsing, e.g. the mapping of a sequence of characters to a sequence of tags and data is left to the SGML standard[SGML]. This section is only a summary.

### 2.2.1. Data Characters

Any sequence of characters that do not constitute markup (see 9.6 ``Delimiter Recognition'' of [SGML]) are mapped directly to strings of data characters. Some markup also maps to data character strings. Numeric character references also map to single-character strings, via the document character set. Each reference to one of the general entities defined in the HTML DTD also maps to a single-character string.

For example,

```
abc<def    => "abc","<","def"
abc#60;def => "abc","<","def"
```

Note that the terminating semicolon is only necessary when the character following the reference would otherwise be recognized as markup:

```
abc &lt; def    => "abc ", "<", " def"
abc &#60; def  => "abc ", "<", " def"
```

And note that an ampersand is only recognized as markup when it is followed by a letter or digit:

```
abc & lt def    => "abc & lt def"
abc & 60 def    => "abc & 60 def"
```

A useful technique for translating plain text to HTML is to replace each '<', '&', and '>' by an entity reference or numeric character reference as follows:

	ENTITY	NUMERIC	
CHARACTER	REFERENCE	CHAR REF	CHARACTER DESCRIPTION
&	&amp;	&#38;	Ampersand
<	&lt;	&#60;	Less than
>	&gt;	&#62;	Greater than

NOTE - There are SGML mechanisms, CDATA and RCDATA, to allow most '<', '>', and '&' characters to be entered without the use of entity references. Because these features tend to be used and implemented inconsistently, and because they conflict with techniques for reducing HTML to 7 bit ASCII for transport, they are not used in this version of the HTML DTD.



### 2.2.2. Tags

Tags delimit elements such as headings, paragraphs, lists, character highlighting and links. Most HTML elements are identified in a document as a start-tag, which gives the element name and attributes, followed by the content, followed by the end tag. Start-tags are delimited by '<' and '>'; end tags are delimited by '</' and '>'. An example is:

```
<H1>This is a Heading</H1>
```

Some elements only have a start-tag without an end-tag. For example, to create a line break, you use the '<BR>' tag. Additionally, the end tags of some other elements, such as Paragraph ('</P>'), List Item ('</LI>'), Definition Term ('</DT>'), and Definition Description ('<DD>') elements, may be omitted.

The content of an element is a sequence of data character strings and nested elements. Some elements, such as anchors, cannot be nested. Anchors and character highlighting may be put inside other constructs. See the HTML DTD, 11.1, "HTML DTD" for full details.

NOTE - The SGML declaration for HTML specifies SHORTTAG YES, which means that there are other valid syntaxes for tags, such as NET tags, '<EM/.../'; empty start tags, '<>'; and empty end-tags, '</>'. Until support for these idioms is widely deployed, their use is strongly discouraged.

### 2.2.3. Names

A name consists of a letter followed by up to 71 letters, digits, periods, or hyphens. Element names are not case sensitive, but entity names are. For example, '<BLOCKQUOTE>', '<BlockQuote>', and '<blockquote>' are equivalent, whereas '&amp;' is different from '&AMP;'. .

In a start-tag, the element name must immediately follow the tag open delimiter '<'. .

### 2.2.4. Attributes

In a start-tag, white space and attributes are allowed between the element name and the closing delimiter. An attribute typically consists of an attribute name, an equal sign, and a value, though some attributes may be just a value. White space is allowed around the equal sign.

The value of the attribute may be either:

- \* A string literal, delimited by single quotes or

double quotes and not containing any occurrences of the delimiting character.

\* A name token (a sequence of letters, digits, periods, or hyphens)

In this example, `img` is the element name, `'src'` is the attribute name, and `'http://host/dir/file.gif'` is the attribute value:

```

```

NOTE - Some historical implementations consider any occurrence of the `'>'` character to signal the end of a tag. For ompatibility with such implementations, when `'>'` appears in an attribute value, it should be represented with a numeric character reference, such as in: `<IMG SRC="eql.jpg" alt="a>b">'`.

A useful technique for computing an attribute value literal for a given string is to replace each quote and space character by an entity reference or numeric character reference as follows:

CHARACTER	ENTITY REFERENCE	NUMERIC CHAR REF	CHARACTER DESCRIPTION
TAB		&#9;	Tab
LF		&#10;	Line Feed
CR		&#13;	Carriage Return
"	&quot;	&#32;	Space
&	&amp;	&#34;	Quotation mark
		&#38;	Ampersand

For example:

```
<IMG SRC="image.jpg" alt="First &quot;real&quot; example">
```

NOTE - Some historical implementations allow any character except space or `'>'` in a name token. Attributes values must be quoted only if they don't satisfy the syntax for a name token.

Note that the SGML declaration in section 13.3 limits the length of an attribute value to 1024 characters.

Attributes such as `ISMAP` and `COMPACT`, may be written using a minimized syntax. The markup:

```
<UL COMPACT="compact">
```

can be written using a minimized syntax:

```
<UL COMPACT>
```

NOTE - Some historical implementations only understand the minimized syntax.



### 2.2.5. Comments

To include comments in an HTML document that will be eliminated in the mapping to terminals, surround them with '<!--' and '-->'. After the comment delimiter, all text up to the next occurrence of '-->' is ignored. Hence comments cannot be nested. White space is allowed between the closing '--' and '>', but not between the opening '<!' and '--'.

For example:

```
<HEAD>
<TITLE>HTML Guide: Recommended Usage</TITLE>
<!-- $Id: html-sgml.sgm,v 1.4 1995/05/06 01:44:46 connolly Exp $ -->
</HEAD>
```

NOTE - Some historical HTML implementations incorrectly consider any '>' character to be the termination of a comment.

### 2.2.6. Example HTML Document

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML//EN">
<HTML>
<!-- Here's a good place to put a comment. -->
<HEAD>
<TITLE>Structural Example</TITLE>
</HEAD><BODY>
<H1>First Header</H1>
<P>This is a paragraph in the example HTML file. Keep in mind
that the title does not appear in the document text, but that
the header (defined by H1) does.</P>
<OL>
<LI>First item in an ordered list.
<LI>Second item in an ordered list.
  <UL COMPACT>
    <LI> Note that lists can be nested;
    <LI> Whitespace may be used to assist in reading the
      HTML source.
  </UL>
<LI>Third item in an ordered list.
</OL>
<P>This is an additional paragraph. Technically, end tags are
not required for paragraphs, although they are allowed. You can
include character highlighting in a paragraph. <EM>This sentence
of the paragraph is emphasized.</EM> Note that the <lt;/P>
end tag has been omitted.
<P>
<IMG SRC ="triangle.xbm" alt="Warning: ">
Be sure to read these <b>bold instructions</b>.
</BODY></HTML>
```





### 3. HTML as an Internet Media Type

An HTML user agent allows users to interact with resources which have HTML representations. At a minimum, it must allow users to examine and navigate the content of HTML documents. HTML user agents should be able to preserve all formatting distinctions represented in an HTML document, and be able to simultaneously present resources referred to by IMG elements. (they may ignore some formatting distinctions or IMG resources at the request of the user). Conforming HTML user agents should support form entry and submission.

#### 3.1. text/html media type

This specification defines the Internet Media Type [IMEDIA] (formerly referred to as the Content Type [MIME]) called 'text/html'. The following is to be registered with [IANA].

Media Type name

text

Media subtype  
name

html

Required  
parameters

none

Optional  
parameters

version, charset

Encoding  
considerations

any encoding is allowed

Security  
considerations

see 3.3, "Security Considerations"

The optional parameters are defined as follows:

Version

To help avoid future compatibility problems, the version parameter may be used to give the version number of the specification to which the document conforms. The version number appears at the front of this document and within the public identifier of the HTML DTD. This specification defines version 2.0. There is no default.

Charset



The charset parameter (as defined in section 7.1.1 of RFC 1521[MIME]) may be given to specify the character encoding scheme used to represent the HTML document as a sequence of octets. The default value is outside the scope of this specification; but for example, the default is US-ASCII in the context of MIME mail, and ISO-8859-1 in the context of HTTP.

### 3.2. HTML Document Representation

A message entity with a content type of `text/html` represents an HTML document, consisting of a single text entity. The `charset` parameter (whether implicit or explicit) identifies a character encoding scheme. The text entity consists of the characters determined by this character encoding scheme and the octets of the body of the message entity.

#### 3.2.1. Undeclared Markup Error Handling

To facilitate experimentation and interoperability between implementations of various versions of HTML, the installed base of HTML user agents supports a superset of the HTML 2.0 language by reducing it to HTML 2.0: markup in the form of a start-tag or end-tag whose generic identifier is not declared is mapped to nothing during tokenization. Undeclared attributes are treated similarly. The entire attribute specification of an unknown attribute (i.e., the unknown attribute and its value, if any) should be ignored. On the other hand, references to undeclared entities should be treated as data characters.

For example:

```
<div class=chapter><h1>foo</h1><p>...</div>
=> <H1>,"foo",</H1>,<P>,"..."
xxx <P ID=z23> yyy
=> "xxx ",<P>," yyy
Let &alpha; and &beta; be finite sets.
=> "Let &alpha; and &beta; be finite sets."
```

Support for notifying the user of such errors is encouraged.

Information providers are warned that this convention is not binding: unspecified behavior may result, as such markup is not conforming to this specification.

#### 3.2.2. Conventional Representation of Newlines

SGML specifies that a text entity is a sequence of records, each beginning with a record start character and ending with

a record end character (code positions 10 and 13 respectively). (section 7.6.1, ``Record Boundaries'' in [SGML])

[MIME] specifies that a body of type `text/\*' is a sequence of lines, each terminated by CRLF, that is octets 10, 13.

In practice, HTML documents are frequently represented and transmitted using an end of line convention that depends on the conventions of the source of the document; frequently, that representation consists of CR only, LF only, or CR LF combination. Hence the decoding of the octets will often result in a text entity with some missing record start and record end characters.

Since there is no ambiguity, HTML user agents are encouraged to infer the missing record start and end characters.

An HTML user agent should treat end of line in any of its variations as a word space in all contexts except preformatted text. Within preformatted text, an HTML user agent should expect to treat any of the three common representations of end-of-line as starting a new line.

### 3.3. Security Considerations

Anchors, embedded images, and all other elements which contain URIs as parameters may cause the URI to be dereferenced in response to user input. In this case, the security considerations of the URI specification apply.

The widely deployed methods for submitting forms requests -- HTTP and SMTP -- provide little assurance of confidentiality. Information providers who request sensitive information via forms -- especially by way of the `PASSWORD' type input field -- should be aware and make their users aware of the lack of confidentiality.

>

### 4. Document Structure Elements

To identify information as an HTML document conforming to this specification, each document should start with the prologue:

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0//EN">
```

NOTE - If the body of a text/html body part does not begin with a document type declaration, an HTML user agent should infer the above document type declaration.

HTML user agents are required to support the above document



type declaration, the following document type declarations, and no others.

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Strict//EN">  
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML Strict//EN">
```

In particular, they may support other formal public identifiers, or document types altogether. They may support an internal declaration subset with supplemental entity, element, and other markup declarations, or they may not.

#### 4.1. HTML Document Element

```
<HTML> ... </HTML> Level 0
```

The HTML document element is organized as a head and a body, much like a memo or a mail message. Within the head, you can specify the title and other information about the document. Within the body, you can structure text into paragraphs and lists, as well as highlight phrases and create links, using HTML elements.

NOTE - The start and end tags for HTML, Head, and Body elements are omissible; however, this is not recommended since the head/body structure allows an implementation to determine certain properties of a document, such as the title, without parsing the entire document.

<

#### 4.2. Head

```
<HEAD> ... </HEAD> Level 0
```

The head of an HTML document is an unordered collection of information about the document. The Title element is required.

```
<HEAD>  
<TITLE>Introduction to HTML</TITLE>  
</HEAD>
```

#### 4.3. Body

```
<BODY> ... </BODY> Level 0
```

The Body element identifies the body component of an HTML document. Specifically, the body of a document may contain links, text, and formatting information within <BODY> and </BODY> tags.



#### 4.4. Title

`<TITLE> ... </TITLE>` Level 0

Every HTML document must contain a Title element. The title should identify the contents of the document in a global context, and may be used in history lists and as a label for the window displaying the document. Unlike headings, titles are not rendered in the text of a document itself.

The Title element must occur within the head of the document, and must not contain anchors, paragraph tags, or highlighting. Only one title is allowed in a document.

NOTE - The length of a title is not limited; however, long titles may be truncated in some applications. To minimize this possibility, titles should be fewer than 64 characters. Also keep in mind that a short title, such as Introduction, may be meaningless out of context. An example of a meaningful title might be ``Introduction to HTML Elements.''

#### 4.5. Base

`<BASE>` Level 0

The Base element allows the URI of the document itself to be recorded in situations in which the document may be read out of context. URIs within the document may be in a ``partial'' form relative to this base address[RELURL].

The Base element has one attribute, HREF, which identifies the absolute base URI.

#### 4.6. Isindex

`<ISINDEX>` Level 0

The Isindex element tells the interpreter that the document is an index. This means that the reader may request a keyword search on the resource by adding a question mark to the end of the document address, followed by a list of keywords separated by plus signs.

The Isindex element is usually generated by the network server from which the document was obtained via a URI. The server must have a search engine that supports this feature for the resource. If the document URI is unknown to the interpreter, `<isindex>` must be ignored.

#### 4.7. Link



#### <LINK> Level 0

The Link element indicates a relationship between the document and some other object. A document may have any number of Link elements.

The Link element is empty (does not have a closing tag), but takes the same attributes as the Anchor element.

Typical uses are to indicate authorship, related indexes and glossaries, older or more recent versions, etc. Links can indicate a static tree structure in which the document was authored by pointing to a ``parent'' and ``next'' and ``previous'' document, for example.

Servers may also allow links to be added by those who do not have the right to alter the body of a document.

#### 4.8. Meta

##### <META> Level 0

The META element is used within the HEAD element to embed document metainformation not defined by other HTML elements. META elements can be extracted by servers and/or clients for use in identifying, indexing, and cataloging specialized document metainformation.

Although it is generally preferable to use named elements which have well-defined semantics for each type of metainformation (e.g. TITLE), the META element is provided for situations where strict SGML parsing is necessary and the local DTD is not extensible. HTML interpreters may use the META element's content if they recognize and understand the semantics identified by the NAME or HTTP-EQUIV attributes, and may treat the content as metainformation (and not render it) even when they do not recognize the name.

In addition, HTTP servers may wish to read the content of the document HEAD to generate header fields corresponding to any elements defining a value for the attribute HTTP-EQUIV. Note, however, that the method by which the server extracts document metainformation is not part of this specification, nor can it be assumed by authors that any given server will be capable of extracting it. The META element only provides an extensible mechanism for identifying and embedding document metainformation - how it may be used is up to the individual server implementation and the HTML interpreter.

Attributes of the META element:

HTTP-EQUIV





that should be associated with an existing HTML element. An example of an inappropriate use of the Meta element is:

```
<META NAME="Title" CONTENT="The Etymology of  
Dunsel">
```

Do not name an HTTP-EQUIV equal to a response header that should normally only be generated by the HTTP server. Example names that are inappropriate include ``Server'', ``Date'', and ``Last-modified'' - the exact list of inappropriate names is dependent on the particular server implementation. We recommend that servers ignore any META elements which specify HTTP-equivalents which are equal (case-insensitively) to their own reserved response headers.

#### 4.9. Nextid

```
<NEXTID> Level 0
```

The Nextid element is a parameter read and generated by text editing software to create unique identifiers. This tag takes a single attribute which is the next document-wide alpha-numeric identifier to be allocated of the form z123:

```
<NEXTID N=Z27>
```

When modifying a document, existing anchor identifiers should not be reused, as these identifiers may be referenced by other documents. Human writers of HTML usually use mnemonic alphabetical identifiers.

HTML interpreters may ignore the Nextid element. Support for the Nextid element does not impact HTML interpreters in any way.

### 5. Character Content

An HTML user agent should present the body of an HTML document as a collection of typeset paragraphs and preformatted text. Except for the <PRE> element, each block structuring element is regarded as a paragraph by taking the data characters in its content and the content of its descendant elements, concatenating them, and splitting the result into words, separated by space, tab, or record end characters (and perhaps hyphen characters). The sequence of words is typeset as a paragraph by breaking it into lines.

#### 5.1. The ISO Latin 1 Character Repertoire

The minimum character repertoire supported by all conforming HTML user agents is Latin Alphabet Nr. 1, or simply Latin-1. Latin-1 includes characters from most Western European





languages, as well as a number of control characters. Latin-1 also includes a non-breaking space, a soft hyphen indicator, 93 graphical characters, 8 unassigned characters, and 25 control characters.

NOTE - Use the non-breaking space and soft hyphen indicator characters is discouraged because support for them is not widely deployed.

In SGML applications, the use of control characters is limited in order to maximize the chance of successful interchange over heterogeneous networks and operating systems. In HTML, only three control characters are allowed: Horizontal Tab (HT, encoded as 9 decimal in US-ASCII and ISO-8859-1), Carriage Return, and Line Feed.

The HTML DTD references the Added Latin 1 entity set, to allow mnemonic representation of Latin 1 characters using only the widely supported ASCII character repertoire. For example:

Kurt G&ouml;l;del was a famous logician and mathematician.

See 11.4.2, "ISO Latin 1 Character Entity Set" for a table of the ``Added Latin 1'' entities, and 14.1, "The ISO-8859-1 Coded Character Set" for a table of the code positions of ISO-8859-1.

## 6. Data Elements

### 6.1. Line Break

<BR> Level 0

The Line Break element specifies that a new line must be started at the given point. A new line indents the same as that of line-wrapped text.

Example of use:

```
<P> Pease porridge hot<BR>
Pease porridge cold<BR>
Pease porridge in the pot<BR>
Nine days old.
```

### 6.2. Horizontal Rule

<HR> Level 0

A Horizontal Rule element is a divider between sections of text such as a full width horizontal rule or equivalent graphic.



Example of use:

```
<HR>  
<ADDRESS>February 8, 1995, CERN</ADDRESS>  
</BODY>
```

### 6.3. Image

<IMG> Level 0

The Image element is used to incorporate in-line graphics (typically icons or small graphics) into an HTML document. This element cannot be used for embedding other HTML text.

HTML interpreters that cannot render in-line images ignore the Image element unless it contains the ALT attribute. Note that some HTML interpreters can render linked graphics but not in-line graphics. If a graphic is essential, you may want to create a link to it rather than to put it in-line. If the graphic is not essential, then the Image element is appropriate.

The Image element, which is empty (no closing tag), has these attributes:

#### ALIGN

The ALIGN attribute accepts the values TOP or MIDDLE or BOTTOM, which specifies if the following line of text is aligned with the top, middle, or bottom of the graphic.

#### ALT

Optional text as an alternative to the graphic for rendering in non-graphical environments. Alternate text should be provided whenever the graphic is not rendered. Alternate text is mandatory for Level 0 documents. Example of use:

```
<IMG SRC="triangle.xbm" ALT="Warning:"> Be sure  
to read these instructions.
```

#### ISMAP

The ISMAP (is map) attribute identifies an image as an image map. Image maps are graphics in which certain regions are mapped to URIs. By clicking on different regions, different resources can be accessed from the same graphic. Example of use:

```
<A HREF="http://machine/htbin/imagemap/sample">  
<IMG SRC="sample.xbm" ISMAP>  
</A>
```

#### SRC



The value of the SRC attribute is the URI of the document to be embedded; only images can be embedded, not HTML text. Its syntax is the same as that of the HREF attribute of the '<A>' tag. SRC is mandatory. Image elements are allowed within anchors.

Example of use:

```
<IMG SRC="triangle.xbm">Be sure to read these instructions.
```

## 7. Character Format Elements

Character format elements are used to specify either the logical meaning or the physical appearance of marked text without causing a paragraph break. Like most other elements, character format elements include both opening and closing tags. Only the characters between the tags are affected:

This is <EM>emphasized</EM> text.

Character format tags may be ignored by minimal HTML applications.

Character format tags are interpreted from left to right as they appear in the flow of text. Level 1 interpreters must render highlighted text distinctly from plain text. Additionally, EM content must be rendered as distinct from STRONG content, and B content must be rendered as distinct from I content.

Character format elements may be nested within the content of other character format elements; however, HTML interpreters are not required to render nested character format elements distinctly from non-nested elements:

plain <B>bold <I>italic</I></B> may be rendered the same as plain <B>bold </B><I>italic</I>

### 7.1. Semantic Format Elements

Note that typical renderings for semantic format elements vary between applications. If a specific rendering is necessary - for example, when referring to a specific text attribute as in 'The italic parts are mandatory' - a physical formatting element can be used to ensure that the intended rendering is used where possible.

Note that different semantic elements may be rendered in the same way.



#### 7.1.1. Citation

`<CITE>...</CITE>` Level 1

The Citation element specifies a citation, typically rendered as italics.

#### 7.1.2. Code

`<CODE> ... </CODE>` Level 1

The Code element indicates an example of code, typically rendered in a monospaced font. This should not be confused with the Preformatted Text element.

#### 7.1.3. Emphasis

`<EM> ... </EM>` Level 1

The Emphasis element indicates typographic emphasis, typically rendered as italics.

#### 7.1.4. Keyboard

`<KBD> ... </KBD>` Level 1

The Keyboard element indicates text typed by a user, typically rendered in a monospaced font. This is commonly used in instruction manuals.

#### 7.1.5. Sample

`<SAMP> ... </SAMP>` Level 1

The Sample element indicates a sequence of literal characters, typically rendered in a monospaced font.

#### 7.1.6. Strong

`<STRONG> ... </STRONG>` Level 1

The Strong element indicates strong typographic emphasis, typically rendered in bold.

#### 7.1.7. Variable

`<VAR> ... </VAR>` Level 1

The Variable element indicates a variable name, typically



rendered as italic.

## 7.2. Physical Format Elements

Physical format elements are used to specify the format of marked text.

### 7.2.1. Bold

`<B> ... </B>` Level 1

The Bold element specifies that the text should be rendered in boldface, where available. Otherwise, an alternative mapping is allowed.

### 7.2.2. Italic

`<I> ... </I>` Level 1

The Italic element specifies that the text should be rendered in an italic font, where available. Otherwise, an alternative mapping is allowed.

### 7.2.3. Teletype

`<TT> ... </TT>` Level 1

The Teletype element specifies that the text should be rendered in a fixed-width typewriter font.

## 8. Hyperlink Elements

### 8.1. Anchor

`<A> ... </A>` Level 0

An anchor is a marked section of text that is the start and/or destination of a hypertext link. Anchor elements are defined by the `<A>` tag. The `<A>` tag accepts several attributes; at least one of the NAME and HREF attributes is required.

Attributes of the `<A>` tag:

#### 8.1.1. HREF

If the HREF attribute is present, the text between the opening and closing anchor tags becomes hypertext. If this



hypertext is selected by readers, they are moved to another document, or to a different location in the current document, whose network address is defined by the value of the HREF attribute.

Example:

See `<A HREF="http://www.hal.com/">HaL</A>`'s information for more details.

In this example, selecting `'HaL'` takes the reader to a document at `http://www.hal.com`. The format of the network address is specified in the URI specification for print readers.

With the HREF attribute, the form `HREF="#identifier"` can refer to another anchor in the same document.

Example:

The `<A HREF="#glossary">glossary</A>` defines terms used in this document.

In this example, selecting `'glossary'` takes the reader to another anchor (i.e., `<A NAME='glossary'>Glossary</A>`) in the same document. The NAME attribute is described below. If the anchor is in another document, the HREF attribute may be relative to the document's address or the specified base address (see 4.5, "Base").

#### 8.1.2. NAME

If present, the NAME attribute allows the anchor to be the target of a link. The value of the NAME attribute is an identifier for the anchor. Identifiers are arbitrary strings but must be unique within the HTML document.

Example of use:

`<A NAME="coffee">Coffee</A>` is an example of ...  
... An example of this is `<A HREF="#coffee">coffee</A>`.

Another document can then make a reference explicitly to this anchor by putting the identifier after the address, separated by a hash sign:

`<A HREF="drinks.html#coffee">`

#### 8.1.3. TITLE

The TITLE attribute is informational only. If present, the TITLE attribute should provide the title of the document whose address is given by the HREF attribute. The TITLE

attribute is useful for at least two reasons. The HTML interpreter may display the title of the document prior to retrieving it, for example, as a margin note or on a small box while the mouse is over the anchor, or while the document is being loaded. Another reason is that documents that are not marked up text, such as graphics, plain text and Gopher menus, do not have titles. The TITLE attribute can be used to provide a title to such documents. When using the TITLE attribute, the title should be valid and unique for the destination document.

#### 8.1.4. REL

The REL attribute gives the relationship(s) described by the hypertext link from the anchor to the target. The value is a whitespace-separated list of relationship names. Relationship names and their semantics will be registered by the W3 Consortium. The default relationship is void. The REL attribute is only used when the HREF attribute is present.

#### 8.1.5. REV

The REV attribute is the same as the REL attribute, but the semantics of the link type are in the reverse direction. A link from A to B with REL='X' expresses the same relationship as a link from B to A with REV='X'. An anchor may have both REL and REV attributes.

#### 8.1.6. URN

If present, the URN attribute specifies a uniform resource name (URN) for a target document. The format of URNs is under discussion (1995) by various working groups of the Internet Engineering Task Force.

#### 8.1.7. METHODS

The METHODS attributes of anchors and links provide information about the functions that the user may perform on an object. These are more accurately given by the HTTP protocol when it is used, but it may, for similar reasons as for the TITLE attribute, be useful to include the information in advance in the link. For example, the HTML interpreter may chose a different rendering as a function of the methods allowed; for example, something that is searchable may get a different icon.

The value of the METHODS attribute is a whitespace-separated list of HTTP methods supported by the object for public use.



## 9. Block Structuring Elements

The following elements may be included in the body of an HTML document:

### 9.1. Paragraph

`<P> ... </P>` Level 0

The Paragraph element indicates a paragraph. The exact indentation, leading space, etc. of a paragraph is not defined and may be a function of other tags, style sheets, etc.

Typically, paragraphs are surrounded by a vertical space of one line or half a line. This is typically not the case within the Address element and is never the case within the Preformatted Text element. With some HTML interpreters, the first line in a paragraph is indented.

Example of use:

```
<H1>This Heading Precedes the Paragraph</H1>
<P>This is the text of the first paragraph.
<P>This is the text of the second paragraph. Although you do not
need to start paragraphs on new lines, maintaining this
convention facilitates document maintenance.</P>
<P>This is the text of a third paragraph.</P>
```

### 9.2. Preformatted Text

`<PRE> ... </PRE>` Level 0

The Preformatted Text element presents blocks of text in fixed-width font, and so is suitable for text that has been formatted on screen.

The `<PRE>` tag may be used with the optional WIDTH attribute. The WIDTH attribute specifies the maximum number of characters for a line and allows the HTML interpreter to select a suitable font and indentation. If the WIDTH attribute is not present, a width of 80 characters is assumed. Where the WIDTH attribute is supported, widths of 40, 80 and 132 characters should be presented optimally, with other widths being rounded up.

Within preformatted text:

- \* Line breaks within the text are rendered as a move to the beginning of the next line.
- \* Anchor elements and character highlighting elements may be used.
- \* Elements that define paragraph formatting (headings,



address, etc.) must not be used.

\* The horizontal tab character (encoded in US-ASCII and ISO-8859-1 as decimal 9) must be interpreted as the smallest positive nonzero number of spaces which will leave the number of characters so far on the line as a multiple of 8. Its use is not recommended however.

NOTE - Some historical documents contain <P> tags in <PRE> elements. User agents are encouraged to treat this as a line break. A <P> tag followed by a newline character should produce only one line break, not a line break plus a blank line.

NOTE - References to the ``beginning of a new line'' do not imply that the renderer is forbidden from using a constant left indent for rendering preformatted text. The left indent may be constrained by the width required.

Example of use:

```
<PRE WIDTH="80">  
This is an example line.  
</PRE>
```

NOTE - Within a Preformatted Text element, the constraint that the rendering must be on a fixed horizontal character pitch may limit or prevent the ability of the HTML interpreter to faithfully render character formatting elements.

### 9.3. Address

```
<ADDRESS> ... </ADDRESS> Level 0
```

The Address element specifies such information as address, signature and authorship, often at the top or bottom of a document.

Typically, an Address is rendered in an italic typeface and may be indented. The Address element implies a paragraph break before and after.

Example of use:

```
<ADDRESS>  
Newsletter editor<BR>  
J.R. Brown<BR>  
JimquickPost News, Jumquick, CT 01234<BR>  
Tel (123) 456 7890  
</ADDRESS>
```

### 9.4. Blockquote



<BLOCKQUOTE> ... </BLOCKQUOTE> Level 0

The Blockquote element is used to contain text quoted from another source.

A typical rendering might be a slight extra left and right indent, and/or italic font. The Blockquote element causes a paragraph break, and typically provides space above and below the quote.

Single-font rendition may reflect the quotation style of Internet mail by putting a vertical line of graphic characters, such as the greater than symbol (>), in the left margin.

Example of use:

```
I think the poem ends
<BLOCKQUOTE>
<P>Soft you now, the fair Ophelia. Nymph, in thy orisons, be all
my sins remembered.
</BLOCKQUOTE>
but I am not sure.
```

## 9.5. Headings

<H1> ... </H1> through <H6> ... </H6> Level 0

HTML defines six levels of heading. A Heading element implies all the font changes, paragraph breaks before and after, and white space necessary to render the heading.

The highest level of headings is H1, followed by H2 ... H6.

Example of use:

```
<H1>This is a heading</H1>
Here is some text
<H2>Second level heading</H2>
Here is some more text.
```

The rendering of headings is determined by the HTML interpreter, but typical renderings are:

<H1> ... </H1>  
Bold, very-large font, centered. One or two blank lines above and below.

<H2> ... </H2>  
Bold, large font, flush-left. One or two blank lines above and below.

<H3> ... </H3>



Italic, large font, slightly indented from the left margin. One or two blank lines above and below.

`<H4> ... </H4>`

Bold, normal font, indented more than H3. One blank line above and below.

`<H5> ... </H5>`

Italic, normal font, indented as H4. One blank line above.

`<H6> ... </H6>`

Bold, indented same as normal text, more than H5. One blank line above.

Although heading levels can be skipped (for example, from H1 to H3), this practice is discouraged as skipping heading levels may produce unpredictable results when generating other representations from HTML.

## 9.6. List Elements

HTML supports several types of lists, all of which may be nested.

### 9.6.1. Definition List

`<DL> ... </DL>` Level 0

A definition list is a list of terms and corresponding definitions. Definition lists are typically formatted with the term flush-left and the definition, formatted paragraph style, indented after the term.

Example of use:

```
<DL>
<DT>Term<DD>This is the definition of the first term.
<DT>Term<DD>This is the definition of the second term.
</DL>
```

If the DT term does not fit in the DT column (one third of the display area), it may be extended across the page with the DD section moved to the next line, or it may be wrapped onto successive lines of the left hand column.

Single occurrences of a <DT> tag without a subsequent <DD> tag are allowed, and have the same significance as if the <DD> tag had been present with no text.

The opening list tag must be <DL> and must be immediately followed by the first term (<DT>).



The definition list type can take the COMPACT attribute, which suggests that a compact rendering be used, because the list items are small and/or the entire list is large.

Unless you provide the COMPACT attribute, the HTML interpreter may leave white space between successive DT, DD pairs. The COMPACT attribute may also reduce the width of the left-hand (DT) column.

If using the COMPACT attribute, the opening list tag must be `<DL COMPACT>`, which must be immediately followed by the first `<DT>` tag:

```
<DL COMPACT>
<DT>Term<DD>This is the first definition in compact format.
<DT>Term<DD>This is the second definition in compact format.
</DL>
```

#### 9.6.2. Directory List

```
<DIR> ... </DIR> Level 0
```

A Directory List element is used to present a list of items containing up to 20 characters each. Items in a directory list may be arranged in columns, typically 24 characters wide. If the HTML interpreter can optimize the column width as function of the widths of individual elements, so much the better.

A directory list must begin with the `<DIR>` tag which is immediately followed by a `<LI>` (list item) tag:

```
<DIR>
<LI>A-H<LI>I-M
<LI>M-R<LI>S-Z
</DIR>
```

#### 9.6.3. Menu List

```
<MENU> ... </MENU> Level 0
```

A menu list is a list of items with typically one line per item. The menu list style is more compact than the style of an unordered list.

A menu list must begin with a `<MENU>` tag which is immediately followed by a `<LI>` (list item) tag:

```
<MENU>
<LI>First item in the list.
<LI>Second item in the list.
<LI>Third item in the list.
```



</MENU>

#### 9.6.4. Ordered List

<OL> ... </OL> Level 0

The Ordered List element is used to present a numbered list of items, sorted by sequence or order of importance.

An ordered list must begin with the <OL> tag which is immediately followed by a <LI> (list item) tag:

```
<OL>
<LI>Click the Web button to open the Open the URI window.
<LI>Enter the URI number in the text field of the Open URI
window. The Web document you specified is displayed.
<LI>Click highlighted text to move from one link to another.
</OL>
```

The Ordered List element can take the COMPACT attribute, which suggests that a compact rendering be used.

#### 9.6.5. Unordered List

<UL> ... </UL> Level 0

The Unordered List element is used to present a list of items which is typically separated by white space and/or marked by bullets.

An unordered list must begin with the <UL> tag which is immediately followed by a <LI> (list item) tag:

```
<UL>
<LI>First list item
<LI>Second list item
<LI>Third list item
</UL>
```

### 10. Form-based Input Elements

Forms are created by placing input fields within paragraphs, preformatted/literal text, and lists. This gives considerable flexibility in designing the layout of forms.

The following elements are used to create forms:

- |       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| FORM  | A form within a document. |
| INPUT | One input field.          |



## OPTION

One option within a Select element.

## SELECT

A selection from a finite set of options.

## TEXTAREA

A multi-line input field.

Each variable field is defined by an Input, Textarea, or Option element and must have an NAME attribute to identify its value in the data returned when the form is submitted.

Example of use (a questionnaire form):

```
<H1>Sample Questionnaire</H1>
<P>Please fill out this questionnaire:
<FORM METHOD="POST" ACTION="http://www.w3.org/sample">
<P>Your name: <INPUT NAME="name" size="48">
<P>Male <INPUT NAME="gender" TYPE=RADIO VALUE="male">
<P>Female <INPUT NAME="gender" TYPE=RADIO VALUE="female">
<P>Number in family: <INPUT NAME="family" TYPE=text>
<P>Cities in which you maintain a residence:
<UL>
<LI>Kent <INPUT NAME="city" TYPE=checkbox VALUE="kent">
<LI>Miami <INPUT NAME="city" TYPE=checkbox VALUE="miami">
<LI>Other <TEXTAREA NAME="other" cols=48 rows=4></textarea>
</UL>
Nickname: <INPUT NAME="nickname" SIZE="42">
<P>Thank you for responding to this questionnaire.
<P><INPUT TYPE=SUBMIT> <INPUT TYPE=RESET>
</FORM>
```

In the example above, the <P> and <UL> tags have been used to lay out the text and input fields. The HTML interpreter is responsible for handling which field will currently get keyboard input.

Many platforms have existing conventions for forms, for example, using Tab and Shift keys to move the keyboard focus forwards and backwards between fields, and using the Enter key to submit the form. In the example, the SUBMIT and RESET buttons are specified explicitly with special purpose fields. The SUBMIT button is used to e-mail the form or send its contents to the server as specified by the ACTION attribute, while RESET resets the fields to their initial values. When the form consists of a single text field, it may be appropriate to leave such buttons out and rely on the Enter key.

The Input element is used for a large variety of types of input fields.

To let users enter more than one line of text, use the



Textarea element.

The radio button and checkbox types of input field can be used to specify multiple choice forms in which every alternative is visible as part of the form. An alternative is to use the Select element which is typically rendered in a more compact fashion as a pull down combo list.

### 10.1. Form

<FORM> ... </FORM> Level 2

The Form element is used to delimit a data input form. There can be several forms in a single document, but the Form element can't be nested.

The ACTION attribute is a URI specifying the location to which the contents of the form is submitted to elicit a response. If the ACTION attribute is missing, the URI of the document itself is assumed. The way data is submitted varies with the access protocol of the URI, and with the values of the METHOD and ENCTYPE attributes.

In general:

- \* the METHOD attribute selects variations in the protocol.
- \* the ENCTYPE attribute specifies the format of the submitted data in case the protocol does not impose a format itself.

When the ACTION attribute is set to an HTTP URL, the METHOD attribute must be set to an HTTP method [HTTP]. The default method is GET, although for many applications the POST method is preferred. With the POST method, the ENCTYPE attribute is a media type specifying the format of the posted data; the default is  
`application/x-www-form-urlencoded`.

The submitted contents of the form logically consist of name/value pairs. The names are usually equal to the NAME attributes of the various interactive elements in the form.

NOTE - The names are not guaranteed to be unique keys, nor are the names of form elements required to be distinct. The values encode the user's input to the corresponding interactive elements. Fields with null values may be omitted from the returned list of name/value pairs, whereas those with non-null values should be included (even if the value was not altered by the user). In particular, unselected radio buttons and checkboxes should be excluded from the contents list.



## 10.2. Input

<INPUT> Level 2

The Input element represents a field whose contents may be edited by the user.

Attributes of the Input element:

### ALIGN

Vertical alignment of the image. For use only with TYPE=IMAGE. The possible values are exactly the same as for the ALIGN attribute of the image element.

### CHECKED

Indicates that a checkbox or radio button is selected. Unselected checkboxes and radio buttons do not return name/value pairs when the form is submitted.

### MAXLENGTH

Indicates the maximum number of characters that can be entered into a text field. This can be greater than specified by the SIZE attribute, in which case the field will scroll appropriately. The default number of characters is unlimited.

### NAME

Symbolic name used when transferring the form's contents. The NAME attribute is required for most input types and is normally used to provide a unique identifier for a field, or for a logically related group of fields.

### SIZE

Specifies the size or precision of the field according to its type. For example, to specify a field with a visible width of 24 characters:

```
INPUT TYPE=text SIZE="24"
```

### SRC

A URI specifying an image. For use only with TYPE=IMAGE.

### TYPE

Defines the type of data the field accepts. Defaults to free text. Several types of fields can be defined with the type attribute:

### CHECKBOX

Used for simple Boolean attributes, or for attributes that can take multiple values at the





same time. The latter is represented by a number of checkbox fields each of which has the same name. Each selected checkbox generates a separate name/value pair in the submitted data, even if this results in duplicate names. The default value for checkboxes is 'on'.

HIDDEN

No field is presented to the user, but the content of the field is sent with the submitted form. This value may be used to transmit state information about client/server interaction.

IMAGE

An image field upon which you can click with a pointing device, causing the form to be immediately submitted. The coordinates of the selected point are measured in pixel units from the upper-left corner of the image, and are returned (along with the other contents of the form) in two name/value pairs. The x-coordinate is submitted under the name of the field with '.x' appended, and the y-coordinate is submitted under the name of the field with '.y' appended. Any VALUE attribute is ignored. The image itself is specified by the SRC attribute, exactly as for the Image element.

NOTE - In a future version of the HTML specification, the IMAGE functionality may be folded into an enhanced SUBMIT field.

PASSWORD

The same as the TEXT attribute, except that text is not displayed as it is entered.

RADIO

Used for attributes that accept a single value from a set of alternatives. Each radio button field in the group should be given the same name. Only the selected radio button in the group generates a name/value pair in the submitted data. Radio buttons require an explicit VALUE attribute.

RESET

A button that when pressed resets the form's fields to their specified initial values. The label to be displayed on the button may be specified just as for the SUBMIT button.

SUBMIT

A button that when pressed submits the form. You can use the VALUE attribute to provide a non-editable label to be displayed on the button. The default label is application-specific. If a



SUBMIT button is pressed in order to submit the form, and that button has a NAME attribute specified, then that button contributes a name/value pair to the submitted data. Otherwise, a SUBMIT button makes no contribution to the submitted data.

**TEXT**

Used for a single line text entry fields. Use in conjunction with the SIZE and MAXLENGTH attributes. Use the Textarea element for text fields which can accept multiple lines.

**VALUE**

The initial displayed value of the field, if it displays a textual or numerical value; or the value to be returned when the field is selected, if it displays a Boolean value. This attribute is required for radio buttons.

### 10.3. Option

**<OPTION> Level 2**

The Option element can only occur within a Select element. It represents one choice, and can take these attributes:

**SELECTED**

Indicates that this option is initially selected.

**VALUE**

When present indicates the value to be returned if this option is chosen. The returned value defaults to the contents of the Option element.

The contents of the Option element is presented to the user to represent the option. It is used as a returned value if the VALUE attribute is not present.

### 10.4. Select

**<SELECT NAME=... > ... </SELECT> Level 2**

The Select element allows the user to chose one of a set of alternatives described by textual labels. Every alternative is represented by the Option element. Attributes are:

**MULTIPLE**

The MULTIPLE attribute is needed when users are allowed to make several selections, e.g. <SELECT MULTIPLE>.

**NAME**



Specifies the name that will be submitted as a name/value pair.

#### SIZE

Specifies the number of visible items. If this is greater than one, then the resulting form control will be a list.

The Select element is typically rendered as a pull down or pop-up list. For example:

```
<SELECT NAME="flavor">  
<OPTION>Vanilla  
<OPTION>Strawberry  
<OPTION>Rum and Raisin  
<OPTION>Peach and Orange  
</SELECT>
```

If no option is initially marked as selected, then the first item listed is selected.

### 10.5. Text Area

```
<TEXTAREA> ... </TEXTAREA> Level 2
```

The Textarea element lets users enter more than one line of text. For example:

```
<TEXTAREA NAME="address" ROWS=64 COLS=6>  
HaL Computer Systems  
1315 Dell Avenue  
Campbell, California 95008  
</TEXTAREA>
```

The text up to the end tag (</TEXTAREA>) is used to initialize the field's value. This end tag is always required even if the field is initially blank. When submitting a form, lines in a TEXTAREA should be terminated using CRLF.

In a typical rendering, the ROWS and COLS attributes determine the visible dimension of the field in characters. The field is rendered in a fixed-width font. HTML interpreters should allow text to extend beyond these limits by scrolling as needed.

NOTE - In the initial design for forms, multi-line text fields were supported by the Input element with TYPE=TEXT. Unfortunately, this causes problems for fields with long text values. SGML's default (Reference Quantity Set) limits the length of attribute literals to only 240 characters. The HTML 2.0 SGML declaration increases the limit to 1024 characters.



## 11. HTML Public Text

## 11.1. HTML DTD

This is the Document Type Definition for the HyperText Markup Language.

```

<!--      html.dtd

          Document Type Definition for the HyperText Markup Language
          (HTML DTD)
5
          $Id: html.dtd,v 1.25 1995/03/29 18:53:13 connolly Exp $

          Author: Daniel W. Connolly <connolly@w3.org>
          See Also: html.decl, html-0.dtd, html-1.dtd
10          http://info.cern.ch/hypertext/WWW/MarkUp/MarkUp.html
-->

<!ENTITY % HTML.Version
15      "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0//EN"

      -- Typical usage:

          <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML//EN">
          <html>
20          ...
          </html>
      --
      >

25
<!--===== Feature Test Entities =====>

<!ENTITY % HTML.Recommended "IGNORE"
30      -- Certain features of the language are necessary for
      compatibility with widespread usage, but they may
      compromisethe structural integrity of a document.
      This feature test entity enables a more prescriptive
      document type definition that eliminates
      those features.
35      -->

<![ %HTML.Recommended [
          <!ENTITY % HTML.Deprecated "IGNORE">
40      ]]>

<!ENTITY % HTML.Deprecated "INCLUDE"
45      -- Certain features of the language are necessary for
      compatibility with earlier versions of the specification,
      but they tend to be used an implemented inconsistently,
      and their use is deprecated. This feature test entity
      enables a document type definition that eliminates

```



```

        these features.
        -->

50  <!ENTITY % HTML.Highlighting "INCLUDE"
        -- Use this feature test entity to validate that a
        -- document uses no highlighting tags, which may be
        -- ignored on minimal implementations.
        -->

55  <!ENTITY % HTML.Forms "INCLUDE"
        -- Use this feature test entity to validate that a document
        -- contains no forms, which may not be supported in minimal
        -- implementations
60  -->

        <!--===== Imported Names =====>

        <!ENTITY % Content-Type "CDATA"
65  -- meaning an internet media type
        -- (aka MIME content type, as per RFC1521)
        -->

        <!ENTITY % HTTP-Method "GET | POST"
70  -- as per HTTP specification, in progress
        -->

        <!ENTITY % URI "CDATA"
75  -- The term URI means a CDATA attribute
        -- whose value is a Uniform Resource Identifier,
        -- as defined by
        -- "Universal Resource Identifiers" by Tim Berners-Lee
        -- aka RFC 1630

80  Note that CDATA attributes are limited by the LITLEN
        -- capacity (1024 in the current version of html.decl),
        -- so that URIs in HTML have a bounded length.
        -->

85

        <!--===== DTD "Macros" =====>

        <!ENTITY % heading "H1|H2|H3|H4|H5|H6">
90

        <!ENTITY % list " UL | OL | DIR | MENU " >

        <!--===== Character mnemonic entities =====>
95

        <!ENTITY % ISOLat1 PUBLIC
        -- "ISO 8879-1986//ENTITIES Added Latin 1//EN//HTML">
        %ISOLat1;

100 <!ENTITY amp CDATA "&#38;"      -- ampersand      -->
        <!ENTITY gt CDATA "&#62;"   -- greater than   -->

```



```

<!ENTITY lt CDATA "&#60;"      -- less than      -->
<!ENTITY quot CDATA "&#34;"    -- double quote -->

105 <!--===== SGML Document Access (SDA) Parameter Entities =====>

<!-- HTML 2.0 contains SGML Document Access (SDA) fixed attributes
in support of easy transformation to the International Committee
110 for Accessible Document Design (ICADD) DTD
      "-//EC-USA-CDA/ICADD//DTD ICADD22//EN".
ICADD applications are designed to support usable access to
structured information by print-impaired individuals through
Braille, large print and voice synthesis.  For more information on
115 SDA & ICADD:
      - ISO 12083:1993, Annex A.8, Facilities for Braille,
        large print and computer voice
      - ICADD ListServ
        <ICADD&ASUACAD.BITNET@ARIZVML.ccit.arizona.edu>
120      - Usenet news group bit.listserv.easi
      - Recording for the Blind, +1 800 221 4792
-->

<!ENTITY % SDAFORM "SDAFORM CDATA #FIXED"
125      -- one to one mapping      -->
<!ENTITY % SDARULE "SDARULE CDATA #FIXED"
      -- context-sensitive mapping -->
<!ENTITY % SDAPREF "SDAPREF CDATA #FIXED"
      -- generated text prefix     -->
130 <!ENTITY % SDASUFF "SDASUFF CDATA #FIXED"
      -- generated text suffix     -->
<!ENTITY % SDASUSP "SDASUSP NAME #FIXED"
      -- suspend transform process -->

135 <!--===== Text Markup =====>

<![ %HTML.Highlighting [

140 <!ENTITY % font " TT | B | I ">

<!ENTITY % phrase "EM | STRONG | CODE | SAMP | KBD | VAR | CITE ">

<!ENTITY % text "#PCDATA | A | IMG | BR | %phrase | %font">
145 <!ELEMENT (%font;|%phrase) - - (%text)*>
<!ATTLIST ( TT | CODE | SAMP | KBD | VAR )
      %SDAFORM; "Lit"
      >
150 <!ATTLIST ( B | STRONG )
      %SDAFORM; "B"
      >
<!ATTLIST ( I | EM | CITE )
      %SDAFORM; "It"
155 >

```



```

<!-- <TT>      Typewriter text      -->
<!-- <B>       Bold text              -->
<!-- <I>       Italic text            -->
160 <!-- <EM>     Emphasized phrase     -->
<!-- <STRONG>  Strong emphasis       -->
<!-- <CODE>    Source code phrase    -->
<!-- <SAMP>    Sample text or characters -->
165 <!-- <KBD>   Keyboard phrase, e.g. user input -->
<!-- <VAR>    Variable phrase or substituable -->
<!-- <CITE>   Name or title of cited work -->

<!ENTITY % pre.content "#PCDATA | A | HR | BR | %font | %phrase">
170 ]]>

<!ENTITY % text "#PCDATA | A | IMG | BR">

175 <!ELEMENT BR      - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST BR
      %SDAPREF; "&#RE;"
      >

180 <!-- <BR>      Line break          -->

<!--===== Link Markup =====>

185 <![ %HTML.Recommended [
      <!ENTITY % linkName "ID">
    ]]>

<!ENTITY % linkName "CDATA">
190 <!ENTITY % linkType "NAME"
      -- a list of these will be specified at a later date -->

<!ENTITY % linkExtraAttributes
195 "REL %linkType #IMPLIED
      REV %linkType #IMPLIED
      URN CDATA #IMPLIED
      TITLE CDATA #IMPLIED
      METHODS NAMES #IMPLIED
200 ">

<![ %HTML.Recommended [
      <!ENTITY % A.content "(%text)*"
      -- <H1><a name="xxx">Heading</a></H1>
205 is preferred to
      <a name="xxx"><H1>Heading</H1></a>
      -->
    ]]>

210 <!ENTITY % A.content "(%heading|%text)*"> .

```



```

<!ELEMENT A      - - %A.content -(A)>
<!ATTLIST A
215     HREF %URI #IMPLIED
        NAME %linkName #IMPLIED
        %linkExtraAttributes;
        %SDAPREF; "<Anchor: #AttList>"
        >
<!-- <A>                Anchor; source/destination of link    -->
220 <!-- <A NAME="...">  Name of this anchor                -->
<!-- <A HREF="...">     Address of link destination         -->
<!-- <A URN="...">      Permanent address of destination    -->
<!-- <A REL=...>         Relationship to destination         -->
<!-- <A REV=...>         Relationship of destination to this  -->
225 <!-- <A TITLE="...">  Title of destination (advisory)    -->
<!-- <A METHODS="...">  Operations on destination (advisory) -->

<!--===== Images =====>
230 <!ELEMENT IMG      - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST IMG
        SRC %URI; #REQUIRED
        ALT CDATA #IMPLIED
235     ALIGN (top|middle|bottom) #IMPLIED
        ISMAP (ISMAP) #IMPLIED
        %SDAPREF; "<Fig><?SDATrans Img: #AttList>#AttVal(Alt)</Fig>"
        >
240 <!-- <IMG>                Image; icon, glyph or illustration    -->
<!-- <IMG SRC="...">      Address of image object                -->
<!-- <IMG ALT="...">      Textual alternative                    -->
<!-- <IMG ALIGN=...>       Position relative to text            -->
<!-- <IMG ISMAP>           Each pixel can be a link              -->
245 <!--===== Paragraphs=====>
<!ELEMENT P      - O (%text)*>
<!ATTLIST P
250     %SDAFORM; "Para"
        >
<!-- <P>                Paragraph                -->
255 <!--===== Headings, Titles, Sections =====>
<!ELEMENT HR      - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST HR
260     %SDAPREF; "&#RE;&#RE;"
        >
<!-- <HR>                Horizontal rule -->
265 <!ELEMENT ( %heading ) - - (%text;)*>
<!ATTLIST H1

```





```

                %SDAFORM; "H1"
                >
270 <!ATTLIST H2
                %SDAFORM; "H2"
                >
                <!ATTLIST H3
                %SDAFORM; "H3"
                >
275 <!ATTLIST H4
                %SDAFORM; "H4"
                >
                <!ATTLIST H5
                %SDAFORM; "H5"
280 >
                <!ATTLIST H6
                %SDAFORM; "H6"
                >

285 <!-- <H1>      Heading, level 1 -->
     <!-- <H2>      Heading, level 2 -->
     <!-- <H3>      Heading, level 3 -->
     <!-- <H4>      Heading, level 4 -->
     <!-- <H5>      Heading, level 5 -->
290 <!-- <H6>      Heading, level 6 -->

     <!--===== Text Flows =====>

295 <![ %HTML.Forms [
                <!ENTITY % block.forms "BLOCKQUOTE | FORM | ISINDEX">
                ]]>

300 <!ENTITY % block.forms "BLOCKQUOTE">

305 <![ %HTML.Deprecated [
                <!ENTITY % preformatted "PRE | XMP | LISTING">
                ]]>

310 <!ENTITY % preformatted "PRE">

     <!ENTITY % block "P | %list | DL
                | %preformatted
                | %block.forms">

315 <!ENTITY % flow "(&text|&block)*">

     <!ENTITY % pre.content "#PCDATA | A | HR | BR">
     <!ELEMENT PRE - - (%pre.content)*>
320 <!ATTLIST PRE
                WIDTH NUMBER #implied
                %SDAFORM; "Lit"
                >

320 <!-- <PRE>      Preformatted text      .      -->
     <!-- <PRE WIDTH=...>      Maximum characters per line      -->

```



```

    <![ %HTML.Deprecated [
325 <!ENTITY % literal "CDATA"
        -- historical, non-conforming parsing mode where
        the only markup signal is the end tag
        in full
        -->
330 <!ELEMENT (XMP|LISTING) - - %literal>
<!ATTLIST XMP
    %SDAFORM; "Lit"
    %SDAPREF; "Example:&#RE;"
335 >
<!ATTLIST LISTING
    %SDAFORM; "Lit"
    %SDAPREF; "Listing:&#RE;"
    >
340 <!-- <XMP>           Example section           -->
    <!-- <LISTING>      Computer listing          -->

<!ELEMENT PLAINTEXT - O %literal>
345 <!-- <PLAINTEXT>   Plain text passage       -->

<!ATTLIST PLAINTEXT
    %SDAFORM; "Lit"
    >
350 ]]>

<!--===== Lists =====>

355 <!ELEMENT DL      - - (DT | DD)+>
<!ATTLIST DL
    COMPACT (COMPACT) #IMPLIED
    %SDAFORM; "List"
    %SDAPREF; "Definition List:"
360 >

<!ELEMENT DT      - O (%text)*>
<!ATTLIST DT
    %SDAFORM; "Term"
365 >

<!ELEMENT DD      - O %flow>
<!ATTLIST DD
    %SDAFORM; "Litem"
370 >

<!-- <DL>           Definition list, or glossary   -->
<!-- <DL COMPACT>   Compact style list           -->
<!-- <DT>           Term in definition list       -->
375 <!-- <DD>         Definition of term           -->

```

```

<!ELEMENT (OL|UL) - - (LI)+>
<!ATTLIST OL
380     COMPACT (COMPACT) #IMPLIED
        %SDAFORM; "List"
        >
<!ATTLIST UL
        COMPACT (COMPACT) #IMPLIED
385     %SDAFORM; "List"
        >
<!-- <UL>                Unordered list                -->
<!-- <UL COMPACT>        Compact list style            -->
<!-- <OL>                Ordered, or numbered list      -->
390 <!-- <OL COMPACT>        Compact list style            -->

<!ELEMENT (DIR|MENU) - - (LI)+ -(%block)>
<!ATTLIST DIR
395     COMPACT (COMPACT) #IMPLIED
        %SDAFORM; "List"
        %SDAPREF; "<LHead>Directory</LHead>"
        >
<!ATTLIST MENU
400     COMPACT (COMPACT) #IMPLIED
        %SDAFORM; "List"
        %SDAPREF; "<LHead>Menu</LHead>"
        >

405 <!-- <DIR>                Directory list                -->
<!-- <DIR COMPACT>        Compact list style            -->
<!-- <MENU>                Menu list                    -->
<!-- <MENU COMPACT>        Compact list style            -->

410 <!ELEMENT LI - O %flow>
<!ATTLIST LI
        %SDAFORM; "Litem"
        >

415 <!-- <LI>                List item                    -->
<!--===== Document Body =====>

<![ %HTML.Recommended [
420     <!ENTITY % body.content "(%heading|%block|HR|ADDRESS|IMG) *"
        -- <h1>Heading</h1>
        <p>Text ...
            is preferred to
        <h1>Heading</h1>
        Text ...
425     -->
]]>

<!ENTITY % body.content "(%heading | %text | %block |
430     HR | ADDRESS) *">

<!ELEMENT BODY O O %body.content>

```



```

<!-- <BODY>      Document body  -->

435 <!ELEMENT BLOCKQUOTE - - %body.content>
<!ATTLIST BLOCKQUOTE
      %SDAFORM; "BQ"
      >

440 <!-- <BLOCKQUOTE>      Quoted passage  -->

<!ELEMENT ADDRESS - - (%text|P)*>
<!ATTLIST ADDRESS
      %SDAFORM; "Lit"
445      %SDAPREF; "Address:&#RE;"
      >

<!-- <ADDRESS> Address, signature, or byline  -->

450 <!--===== Forms =====>

<![ %HTML.Forms [

455 <!ELEMENT FORM - - %body.content -(FORM) +(INPUT|SELECT|TEXTAREA)>
<!ATTLIST FORM
      ACTION %URI #IMPLIED
      METHOD (%HTTP-Method) GET
      ENCTYPE %Content-Type; "application/x-www-form-urlencoded"
460      %SDAPREF; "<Para>Form:</Para>"
      %SDASUFF; "<Para>Form End.</Para>"
      >

<!-- <FORM>      Fill-out or data-entry form  -->
465 <!-- <FORM ACTION="...">      Address for completed form  -->
<!-- <FORM METHOD=...>      Method of submitting form  -->
<!-- <FORM ENCTYPE="...">      Representation of form data  -->

<!ENTITY % InputType "(TEXT | PASSWORD | CHECKBOX |
470      RADIO | SUBMIT | RESET |
      IMAGE | HIDDEN )">

<!ELEMENT INPUT - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST INPUT
475      TYPE %InputType TEXT
      NAME CDATA #IMPLIED
      VALUE CDATA #IMPLIED
      SRC %URI #IMPLIED
      CHECKED (CHECKED) #IMPLIED
      SIZE CDATA #IMPLIED
480      MAXLENGTH NUMBER #IMPLIED
      ALIGN (top|middle|bottom) #IMPLIED
      %SDAPREF; "Input: "
      >

485 <!-- <INPUT>      Form input datum  -->
<!-- <INPUT TYPE=...>      Type of input interaction  -->

```



```

    <!-- <INPUT NAME=...>           Name of form datum           -->
    <!-- <INPUT VALUE="...">      Default/initial/selected value -->
    <!-- <INPUT SRC="...">        Address of image             -->
490 <!-- <INPUT CHECKED>            Initial state is "on"       -->
    <!-- <INPUT SIZE=...>          Field size hint             -->
    <!-- <INPUT MAXLENGTH=...>     Data length maximum        -->
    <!-- <INPUT ALIGN=...>         Image alignment            -->

495 <!ELEMENT SELECT - - (OPTION+) -(INPUT|SELECT|TEXTAREA)>
    <!ATTLIST SELECT
        NAME CDATA #REQUIRED
        SIZE NUMBER #IMPLIED
        MULTIPLE (MULTIPLE) #IMPLIED
500     %SDAFORM; "List"
        %SDAPREF;
        "<LHead>Select #AttVal(Multiple)</LHead>"
    >

505 <!-- <SELECT>                  Selection of option(s)       -->
    <!-- <SELECT NAME=...>         Name of form datum         -->
    <!-- <SELECT SIZE=...>         Options displayed at a time -->
    <!-- <SELECT MULTIPLE>        Multiple selections allowed -->

510 <!ELEMENT OPTION - O (#PCDATA)*>
    <!ATTLIST OPTION
        SELECTED (SELECTED) #IMPLIED
        VALUE CDATA #IMPLIED
515     %SDAFORM; "Litem"
        %SDAPREF;
        "Option: #AttVal(Value) #AttVal(Selected)"
    >

    <!-- <OPTION>                  A selection option         -->
520 <!-- <OPTION SELECTED>         Initial state               -->
    <!-- <OPTION VALUE="...">    Form datum value for this option-->

    <!ELEMENT TEXTAREA - - (#PCDATA)* -(INPUT|SELECT|TEXTAREA)>
    <!ATTLIST TEXTAREA
525     NAME CDATA #REQUIRED
        ROWS NUMBER #REQUIRED
        COLS NUMBER #REQUIRED
        %SDAFORM; "Para"
        %SDAPREF; "Input Text -- #AttVal(Name): "
530     >

    <!-- <TEXTAREA>               An area for text input     -->
    <!-- <TEXTAREA NAME=...>       Name of form datum         -->
    <!-- <TEXTAREA ROWS=...>       Height of area             -->
535 <!-- <TEXTAREA COLS=...>       Width of area              -->

]]>

540 <!--===== Document Head =====>

```



```

<![ %HTML.Recommended [
    <!ENTITY % head.extra "META* & LINK*">
]]>
545 <!ENTITY % head.extra "NEXTID? & META* & LINK*">
<!ENTITY % head.content "TITLE & ISINDEX? & BASE? &
    (%head.extra)">
550 <!ELEMENT HEAD O O (%head.content)>
<!-- <HEAD>      Document head  -->
555 <!ELEMENT TITLE - - (#PCDATA)*>
<!ATTLIST TITLE
    %SDAFORM; "Ti"      >
<!-- <TITLE>      Title of document  -->
560 <!ELEMENT LINK - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST LINK
    HREF %URI #REQUIRED
    %linkExtraAttributes;
565     %SDAPREF; "Linked to : #AttVal (TITLE) (URN) (HREF)">
<!-- <LINK>
    Link from this document  -->
<!-- <LINK HREF="...">  Address of link destination  -->
<!-- <LINK URN="...">   Lasting name of destination  -->
570 <!-- <LINK REL=...>     Relationship to destination  -->
<!-- <LINK REV=...>      Relationship of destination to this  -->
<!-- <LINK TITLE="..."> Title of destination (advisory)  -->
<!-- <LINK METHODS="..."> Operations allowed (advisory)  -->
575 <!ELEMENT ISINDEX - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST ISINDEX
    %SDAPREF;
    "<Para>[Document is indexed/searchable.]</Para>">
580 <!-- <ISINDEX>
    Document is a searchable index  -->
<!ELEMENT BASE - O EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST BASE
    HREF %URI; #REQUIRED      >
585 <!-- <BASE>
    Base context document  -->
<!-- <BASE HREF="...">  Address for this document  -->
<!ELEMENT NEXTID - O EMPTY>
590 <!ATTLIST NEXTID
    N %linkName #REQUIRED      >
<!-- <NEXTID>
    Next ID to use for link name  -->
<!-- <NEXTID N=...>
    Next ID to use for link name  -->
595 <!ELEMENT META - O EMPTY>

```



```

        <!ATTLIST META
            HTTP-EQUIV  NAME      #IMPLIED
            NAME        NAME      #IMPLIED
600      CONTENT      CDATA     #REQUIRED      >

        <!-- <META>                                Generic Metainformation      -->
        <!-- <META HTTP-EQUIV=...>                 HTTP response header name  -->
        <!-- <META NAME=...>                       Metainformation name       -->
605      <!-- <META CONTENT="...">               Associated information       -->

        <!--===== Document Structure =====>

        <![ %HTML.Deprecated [
610      <!ENTITY % html.content "HEAD, BODY, PLAINTEXT?">
        ]]>
        <!ENTITY % html.content "HEAD, BODY">

        <!ELEMENT HTML O O (%html.content)>
615      <!ENTITY % version.attr "VERSION CDATA #FIXED '%HTML.Version;'">

        <!ATTLIST HTML
            %version.attr;
            %SDAFORM; "Book"
620      >

        <!-- <HTML>                                HTML Document      -->
    
```

### 11.2. SGML Declaration for HTML

This is the SGML Declaration for HyperText Markup Language (HTML) as used by the World Wide Web (WWW) application:

```

<!SGML "ISO 8879:1986"
--
    SGML Declaration for HyperText Markup Language (HTML).
5  --

CHARSET
    BASESET "ISO 646:1983//CHARSET
            International Reference Version
10      (IRV)//ESC 2/5 4/0"
    DESCSET 0 9 UNUSED
            9 2 9
            11 2 UNUSED
            13 1 13
15      14 18 UNUSED
            32 95 32
            127 1 UNUSED
    BASESET "ISO Registration Number 100//CHARSET
            ECMA-94 Right Part of
20      Latin Alphabet Nr. 1//ESC 2/13 4/1"
    DESCSET 128 32 UNUSED
    
```



```

160 96 32

25 CAPACITY SGMLREF
TOTALCAP 150000
GRPCAP 150000
ENTCAP 150000

30 SCOPE DOCUMENT
SYNTAX
SHUNCHAR CONTROLS 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 127
BASESET "ISO 646:1983//CHARSET
35 International Reference Version
(IRV)//ESC 2/5 4/0"
DESCSET 0 128 0
FUNCTION
40 RE 13
RS 10
SPACE 32
TAB SEPCHAR 9

45 NAMING LCNMSTRT ""
UCNMSTRT ""
LCNMCHAR ".-"
UCNMCHAR ".-"
NAMECASE GENERAL YES
50 ENTITY NO
DELIM GENERAL SGMLREF
SHORTREF SGMLREF
NAMES SGMLREF
55 QUANTITY SGMLREF
ATTSPLEN 2100
LITLEN 1024
NAMELEN 72 -- somewhat arbitrary; taken from
internet line length conventions --
60 PILEN 1024
TAGLEN 2100
GRPGTCNT 150
GRPCNT 64

FEATURES
65 MINIMIZE
DATATAG NO
OMITTAG YES
RANK NO
SHORTTAG YES
70 LINK
SIMPLE NO
IMPLICIT NO
EXPLICIT NO
OTHER
75 CONCUR NO
SUBDOC NO
FORMAL YES

```





```
APPINFO    "SDA"  -- conforming SGML Document Access application
            --
80 >
    <!--
        $Id: html.decl,v 1.15 1995/05/06 01:44:47 connolly Exp $
        Author: Daniel W. Connolly <connolly@hal.com>
85
        See also: http://www.hal.com/%7Econnolly/html-spec
                http://info.cern.ch/hypertext/WWW/MarkUp/MarkUp.html
    -->
```

### 11.3. Sample SGML Open Entity Catalog for HTML

The SGML standard describes an ``entity manager'' as the portion or component of an SGML system that maps SGML entities into the actual storage model (e.g., the file system). The standard itself does not define a particular mapping methodology or notation.

To assist the interoperability among various SGML tools and systems, the SGML Open consortium has passed a technical resolution that defines a format for an application-independent entity catalog that maps external identifiers and/or entity names to file names.

Each entry in the catalog associates a storage object identifier (such as a file name) with information about the external entity that appears in the SGML document. In addition to entries that associate public identifiers, a catalog entry can associate an entity name with a storage object identifier. For example, the following are possible catalog entries:

```
-- catalog: SGML Open style entity catalog for HTML --
-- $Id: catalog,v 1.2 1994/11/30 23:45:18 connolly Exp $ --

5 PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML//EN"           html.dtd
PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0//EN"       html.dtd
PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML Level 2//EN"   html.dtd
PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Level 2//EN" html.dtd

10 PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML Level 1//EN"  html-1.dtd
PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Level 1//EN" html-1.dtd

15 PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML Level 0//EN"  html-0.dtd
PUBLIC "--//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Level 0//EN" html-0.dtd

& -- --
-- Ways to refer to Strict Level 2: most general to most specific
```



```

20 PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML Strict//EN"          html-s.dtd
PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Strict//EN"        html-s.dtd
PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML Strict Level 2//EN"    html-s.dtd
PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Strict Level 2//EN" html-s.dtd

25      -- Ways to refer to Strict Level 1: most general to most specific \
&      --
PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML Strict Level 1//EN"      html-1s.dtd
PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Strict Level 1//EN"  html-1s.dtd

      -- Ways to refer to Strict Level 0: most general to most specific \
&      --
30 PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML Strict Level 0//EN"    html-0s.dtd
PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML 2.0 Strict Level 0//EN"  html-0s.dtd

      -- ISO latin 1 entity set for HTML --
PUBLIC "ISO 8879-1986//ENTITIES Added Latin 1//EN//HTML" ISolat1.sg\
& ml

```

#### 11.4. Character Entity Sets

The HTML DTD defines the following entities. They represent particular graphic characters which have special meanings in places in the markup, or may not be part of the character set available to the writer.

##### 11.4.1. Numeric and Special Graphic Entity Set

The following table lists each of the characters included from the Numeric and Special Graphic entity set, along with its name, syntax for use, and description. This list is derived from `ISO Standard 8879:1986//ENTITIES Numeric and Special Graphic//EN'. However, HTML does not include for the entire entity set -- only the entities listed below are included.

GLYPH	NAME	SYNTAX	DESCRIPTION
<	lt	&lt;	Less than sign
>	gt	&gt;	Greater than sign
&	amp	&amp;	Ampersand
"	quot	&quot;	Double quote sign

##### 11.4.2. ISO Latin 1 Character Entity Set

The following public text lists each of the characters specified in the Added Latin 1 entity set, along with its name, syntax for use, and description. This list is derived from ISO Standard 8879:1986//ENTITIES Added Latin 1//EN. HTML includes the entire entity set.

```
<!-- (C) International Organization for Standardization 1986
      Permission to copy in any form is granted for use with
```



```
conforming SGML systems and applications as defined in
ISO 8879, provided this notice is included in all copies.
5 -->
<!-- Character entity set. Typical invocation:
<!ENTITY % ISolat1 PUBLIC
      "ISO 8879-1986//ENTITIES Added Latin 1//EN//HTML">
      %ISolat1;
10 -->
<!--      Modified for use in HTML
      $Id: ISolat1.sgml,v 1.2 1994/11/30 23:45:12 connolly Exp $ -->
<!ENTITY AElig CDATA "&#198;" -- capital AE diphthong (ligature) -->
<!ENTITY Aacute CDATA "&#193;" -- capital A, acute accent -->
15 <!ENTITY Acirc CDATA "&#194;" -- capital A, circumflex accent -->
<!ENTITY Agrave CDATA "&#192;" -- capital A, grave accent -->
<!ENTITY Aring CDATA "&#197;" -- capital A, ring -->
<!ENTITY Atilde CDATA "&#195;" -- capital A, tilde -->
<!ENTITY Auml CDATA "&#196;" -- capital A, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
20 <!ENTITY Ccedil CDATA "&#199;" -- capital C, cedilla -->
<!ENTITY ETH CDATA "&#208;" -- capital Eth, Icelandic -->
<!ENTITY Eacute CDATA "&#201;" -- capital E, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY Ecirc CDATA "&#202;" -- capital E, circumflex accent -->
<!ENTITY Egrave CDATA "&#200;" -- capital E, grave accent -->
25 <!ENTITY Euml CDATA "&#203;" -- capital E, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
<!ENTITY Iacute CDATA "&#205;" -- capital I, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY Icirc CDATA "&#206;" -- capital I, circumflex accent -->
<!ENTITY Igrave CDATA "&#204;" -- capital I, grave accent -->
<!ENTITY Iuml CDATA "&#207;" -- capital I, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
30 <!ENTITY Ntilde CDATA "&#209;" -- capital N, tilde -->
<!ENTITY Oacute CDATA "&#211;" -- capital O, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY Ocirc CDATA "&#212;" -- capital O, circumflex accent -->
<!ENTITY Ograve CDATA "&#210;" -- capital O, grave accent -->
<!ENTITY Oslash CDATA "&#216;" -- capital O, slash -->
35 <!ENTITY Otilde CDATA "&#213;" -- capital O, tilde -->
<!ENTITY Ouml CDATA "&#214;" -- capital O, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
<!ENTITY THORN CDATA "&#222;" -- capital THORN, Icelandic -->
<!ENTITY Uacute CDATA "&#218;" -- capital U, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY Ucirc CDATA "&#219;" -- capital U, circumflex accent -->
40 <!ENTITY Ugrave CDATA "&#217;" -- capital U, grave accent -->
<!ENTITY Uuml CDATA "&#220;" -- capital U, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
<!ENTITY Yacute CDATA "&#221;" -- capital Y, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY aacute CDATA "&#225;" -- small a, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY acirc CDATA "&#226;" -- small a, circumflex accent -->
45 <!ENTITY aelig CDATA "&#230;" -- small ae diphthong (ligature) -->
<!ENTITY agrave CDATA "&#224;" -- small a, grave accent -->
<!ENTITY aring CDATA "&#229;" -- small a, ring -->
<!ENTITY atilde CDATA "&#227;" -- small a, tilde -->
<!ENTITY auml CDATA "&#228;" -- small a, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
50 <!ENTITY ccedil CDATA "&#231;" -- small c, cedilla -->
<!ENTITY eacute CDATA "&#233;" -- small e, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY ecirc CDATA "&#234;" -- small e, circumflex accent -->
<!ENTITY egrave CDATA "&#232;" -- small e, grave accent -->
<!ENTITY eth CDATA "&#240;" -- small eth, Icelandic -->
55 <!ENTITY euml CDATA "&#235;" -- small e, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
<!ENTITY iacute CDATA "&#237;" -- small i, acute accent -->
<!ENTITY icirc CDATA "&#238;" -- small i, circumflex accent -->
```



```

        <!ENTITY igrave CDATA "&#236;" -- small i, grave accent -->
        <!ENTITY iuml  CDATA "&#239;" -- small i, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
60    <!ENTITY ntilde CDATA "&#241;" -- small n, tilde -->
        <!ENTITY oacute CDATA "&#243;" -- small o, acute accent -->
        <!ENTITY ocirc CDATA "&#244;" -- small o, circumflex accent -->
        <!ENTITY ograve CDATA "&#242;" -- small o, grave accent -->
        <!ENTITY oslash CDATA "&#248;" -- small o, slash -->
65    <!ENTITY otilde CDATA "&#245;" -- small o, tilde -->
        <!ENTITY ouml  CDATA "&#246;" -- small o, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
        <!ENTITY szlig CDATA "&#223;" -- small sharp s, German (sz ligature) -->
        <!ENTITY thorn CDATA "&#254;" -- small thorn, Icelandic -->
        <!ENTITY uacute CDATA "&#250;" -- small u, acute accent -->
70    <!ENTITY ucirc  CDATA "&#251;" -- small u, circumflex accent -->
        <!ENTITY ugrave CDATA "&#249;" -- small u, grave accent -->
        <!ENTITY uuml  CDATA "&#252;" -- small u, dieresis or umlaut mark -->
        <!ENTITY yacute CDATA "&#253;" -- small y, acute accent -->
        <!ENTITY yuml  CDATA "&#255;" -- small y, dieresis or umlaut mark -->

```

## 12. Glossary

### character

An atom of information, for example a letter or a digit. Graphic characters have associated glyphs, where as control characters have associated processing semantics.

### character encoding scheme

A function whose domain is the set of sequences of octets, and whose range is the set of sequences of characters from a character repertoire; that is, a sequence of octets and a character encoding scheme determines a sequence of characters.

### character repertoire

A finite set of characters; e.g. the range of a coded character set.

### code position

An integer. A coded character set and a code position from its domain determine a character.

### coded character set

A function whose domain is a subset of the integers and whose range is a character repertoire. That is, for some set of integers (usually of the form  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$ ), a coded character set and an integer in that set determine a character. Conversely, a character and a coded character set determine the character's code position (or, in rare cases, a few code positions).



conforming HTML user agent	A user agent that conforms to this specification in its processing of the Internet Media Type 'text/html; version=2.0'.
data character	Characters other than markup, which make up the content of elements.
document character set	a coded character set whose range includes all characters used in a document. Every SGML document has exactly one document character set. Numeric character references are resolved via the document character set.
DTD	document type definition. Rules that apply SGML to the markup of documents of a particular type, including a set of element and entity declarations. [SGML]
element	A component of the hierarchical structure defined by a document type definition; it is identified in a document instance by descriptive markup, usually a start-tag and end-tag. [SGML]
end-tag	Descriptive markup that identifies the end of an element. [SGML]
entity	data with an associated notation or interpretation; for example, a sequence of octets associated with an Internet Media Type. [SGML]
HTML document	An SGML document conforming to this document type definition.
markup	Syntactically delimited characters added to the data of a document to represent its structure. There are four different kinds of markup: descriptive markup (tags), references, markup declarations, and processing instructions. [SGML]
may	A document or user interface is conforming whether this statement applies or not. .



- message entity  
a head and body. The head is a collection of name/value fields, and the body is a sequence of octets. The head defines the content type and content transfer encoding of the body. [MIME]
- must  
Documents or user agents in conflict with this statement are not conforming.
- SGML document  
A sequence of characters organized physically as a set of entities and logically into a hierarchy of elements. An SGML document consists of data characters and markup; the markup describes the structure of the information and an instance of that structure. [SGML]
- shall  
If a document or user agent conflicts with this statement, it does not conform to this specification.
- should  
If a document or user agent conflicts with this statement, undesirable results may occur in practice even though it conforms to this specification.
- start-tag  
Descriptive markup that identifies the start of an element and specifies its generic identifier and attributes. [SGML]
- syntax-reference  
character set  
A coded character set whose range includes all characters used for markup; e.g. name characters and delimiter characters.
- tag  
Markup that delimits an element. A tag includes a name which refers to an element declaration in the DTD, and may include attributes. [SGML]
- text entity  
A finite sequence of characters. A text entity typically takes the form of a sequence of octets with some associated character encoding scheme, transmitted over the network or stored in a file. [SGML]
- typical  
Typical processing is described for many elements.



This is not a mandatory part of the specification but is given as guidance for designers and to help explain the uses for which the elements were intended.

URI

A Universal Resource Identifier is a formatted string that serves as an identifier for a resource, typically on the Internet. URIs are used in HTML to identify the destination of hypertext links, the source of in-line images, and the object of form actions. URIs in common use include Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) [URL] and Relative URLs [RELURL].

user agent

A component of a distributed system that presents an interface and processes requests on behalf of a user; for example, a www browser or a mail user agent.

WWW

The World-Wide Web is a hypertext-based, distributed information system created by researchers at CERN in Switzerland. Users may create, edit or browse hypertext documents.  
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#### 14. Appendices

These appendices are provided for informational reasons only  
- they do not form a part of the HTML specification.



## 14.1. The ISO-8859-1 Coded Character Set

This list, sorted numerically, is derived from ISO-8859-1 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character set:

REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION
&#00; - &#08;	Unused
&#09;	Horizontal tab
&#10;	Line feed
&#11; - &#31;	Unused
&#32;	Space
&#33;	Exclamation mark
&#34;	Quotation mark
&#35;	Number sign
&#36;	Dollar sign
&#37;	Percent sign
&#38;	Ampersand
&#39;	Apostrophe
&#40;	Left parenthesis
&#41;	Right parenthesis
&#42;	Asterisk
&#43;	Plus sign
&#44;	Comma
&#45;	Hyphen
&#46;	Period (fullstop)
&#47;	Solidus (slash)
&#48; - &#57;	Digits 0-9
&#58;	Colon
&#59;	Semi-colon
&#60;	Less than
&#61;	Equals sign
&#62;	Greater than
&#63;	Question mark
&#64;	Commercial at
&#65; - &#90;	Letters A-Z
&#91;	Left square bracket
&#92;	Reverse solidus (backslash)
&#93;	Right square bracket
&#94;	Caret
&#95;	Horizontal bar (underscore)
&#96;	Acute accent
&#97; - &#122;	Letters a-z
&#123;	Left curly brace
&#124;	Vertical bar
&#125;	Right curly brace
&#126;	Tilde
&#127; - &#160;	Unused
&#161;	Inverted exclamation
&#162;	Cent sign
&#163;	Pound sterling
&#164;	General currency sign
&#165;	Yen sign
&#166;	Broken vertical bar
&#167;	Section sign
&#168;	Umlaut (dieresis)



&#169;	Copyright
&#170;	Feminine ordinal
&#171;	Left angle quote, guillemotleft
&#172;	Not sign
&#173;	Soft hyphen
&#174;	Registered trademark
&#175;	Macron accent
&#176;	Degree sign
&#177;	Plus or minus
&#178;	Superscript two
&#179;	Superscript three
&#180;	Acute accent
&#181;	Micro sign
&#182;	Paragraph sign
&#183;	Middle dot
&#184;	Cedilla
&#185;	Superscript one
&#186;	Masculine ordinal
&#187;	Right angle quote, guillemotright
&#188;	Fraction one-fourth
&#189;	Fraction one-half
&#190;	Fraction three-fourths
&#191;	Inverted question mark
&#192;	Capital A, grave accent
&#193;	Capital A, acute accent
&#194;	Capital A, circumflex accent
&#195;	Capital A, tilde
&#196;	Capital A, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#197;	Capital A, ring
&#198;	Capital AE diphthong (ligature)
&#199;	Capital C, cedilla
&#200;	Capital E, grave accent
&#201;	Capital E, acute accent
&#202;	Capital E, circumflex accent
&#203;	Capital E, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#204;	Capital I, grave accent
&#205;	Capital I, acute accent
&#206;	Capital I, circumflex accent
&#207;	Capital I, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#208;	Capital Eth, Icelandic
&#209;	Capital N, tilde
&#210;	Capital O, grave accent
&#211;	Capital O, acute accent
&#212;	Capital O, circumflex accent
&#213;	Capital O, tilde
&#214;	Capital O, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#215;	Multiply sign
&#216;	Capital O, slash
&#217;	Capital U, grave accent
&#218;	Capital U, acute accent
&#219;	Capital U, circumflex accent
&#220;	Capital U, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#221;	Capital Y, acute accent
&#222;	Capital THORN, Icelandic
&#223;	Small sharp s, German (sz ligature)

&#224;	Small a, grave accent
&#225;	Small a, acute accent
&#226;	Small a, circumflex accent
&#227;	Small a, tilde
&#228;	Small a, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#229;	Small a, ring
&#230;	Small ae diphthong (ligature)
&#231;	Small c, cedilla
&#232;	Small e, grave accent
&#233;	Small e, acute accent
&#234;	Small e, circumflex accent
&#235;	Small e, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#236;	Small i, grave accent
&#237;	Small i, acute accent
&#238;	Small i, circumflex accent
&#239;	Small i, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#240;	Small eth, Icelandic
&#241;	Small n, tilde
&#242;	Small o, grave accent
&#243;	Small o, acute accent
&#244;	Small o, circumflex accent
&#245;	Small o, tilde
&#246;	Small o, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#247;	Division sign
&#248;	Small o, slash
&#249;	Small u, grave accent
&#250;	Small u, acute accent
&#251;	Small u, circumflex accent
&#252;	Small u, dieresis or umlaut mark
&#253;	Small y, acute accent
&#254;	Small thorn, Icelandic
&#255;	Small y, dieresis or umlaut mark

## 14.2. Obsolete Features

This section describes elements that are no longer part of HTML. Client implementors should implement these obsolete elements for compatibility with previous versions of the HTML specification.

### 14.2.1. Comment Element

The Comment element is used to delimit unneeded text and comments. The Comment element has been introduced in some HTML applications but should be replaced by the SGML comment feature in new HTML interpreters (see Section 2.2.5).

### 14.2.2. Highlighted Phrase Element

<HP>

The Highlighted Phrase element should be ignored if not



implemented. This element has been replaced by more meaningful elements (see Section 8).

Example of use:

```
<HP1>first highlighted phrase</HP1>non-
highlighted text<HP2>second highlighted phrase</HP2> etc.
```

#### 14.2.3. Plain Text Element

```
<PLAINTEXT>
```

The Plain Text element is used to terminate the HTML entity and to indicate that what follows is not SGML which does not require parsing. Instead, an old HTTP convention specified that what followed was an ASCII (MIME ``text/plain'') body. Its presence is an optimization. There is no closing tag.

Example of use:

```
<PLAINTEXT>
0001 This is line one of a long listing
0002 file from <ANY@HOST.INC.COM> which is sent
```

#### 14.2.4. Example and Listing Elements

```
<XMP> ... </XMP> and <LISTING> ... </LISTING>
```

The Example and Listing elements have been replaced by the Preformatted Text element (Section 10.2).

These styles allow text of fixed-width characters to be embedded absolutely as is into the document. The syntax is:

```
<LISTING> ... </LISTING>
```

or

```
<XMP> ... </XMP>
```

The text between these tags is typically rendered in a monospaced font so that any formatting done by character spacing on successive lines will be maintained.

Between the opening and closing tags:

- \* The text may contain any ISO Latin-1 printable characters, except for the end-tag opener. The Example and Listing elements have historically used specifications which do not conform to SGML. Specifically, the text may contain ISO Latin printable characters, including the tag opener, as long as they do not contain the closing tag in full.



- \* SGML does not support this form. HTML interpreters may vary on how they interpret other tags within Example and Listing elements.
- \* Line boundaries within the text are rendered as a move to the beginning of the next line, except for one immediately following a start-tag or immediately preceding an end-tag.
- \* The horizontal tab character must be interpreted as the smallest positive nonzero number of spaces which will leave the number of characters so far on the line as a multiple of 8. Its use is not recommended.

The Listing element is rendered so that at least 132 characters fit on a line. The Example element is rendered to that at least 80 characters fit on a line but is otherwise identical to the Listing element.

### 14.3. Proposed Features

This section describes proposed HTML elements and entities that are not currently supported under HTML Levels 0, 1, or 2@@, but may be supported in the future.

#### 14.3.1. Additional Character Entities

To indicate special characters, HTML uses entity or numeric representations. Additional character presentations are proposed:

CHARACTER	REPRESENTATION
Non-breaking space	&nbsp;
Soft-hyphen	&shy;
Registered	&reg;
Copyright	&copy;

#### 14.3.2. Defining Instance Element

<DFN> ... </DFN>

The Defining Instance element indicates the defining instance of a term. The typical rendering is bold or bold italic. This element is not widely supported.

#### 14.3.3. Strike Element

<STRIKE> ... </STRIKE>

The Strike element is proposed to indicate strikethrough, a font style in which a horizontal line appears through characters. This element is not widely supported.



#### 14.3.4. Underline Element

`<U> ... </U>`

The Underline element is proposed to indicate that the text should be rendered as underlined. This proposed tag is not supported by all HTML interpreters.

Example of use:

The text `<U>shown here</U>` is rendered in the document as underlined.

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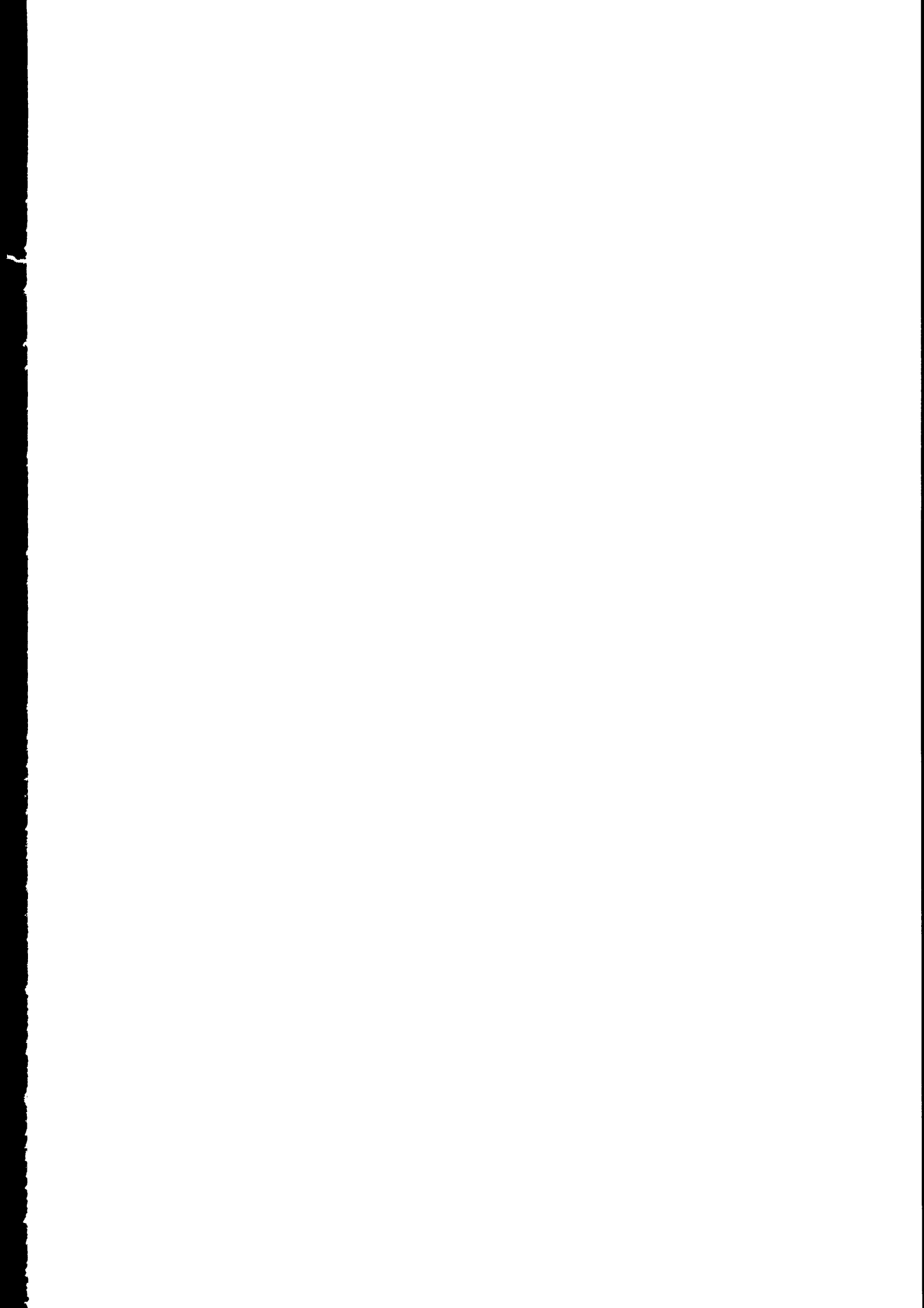
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