
Chapter 4

Basic Web Page Construction

TOPICS: Images and placing
pages on the server

Review

- Let's finish working on the list of bookmarks
- Create a page that contains a list of your favourite websites (your bookmarks)
- You should include
 - A heading (My Bookmarks)
 - A smaller heading (Your name) on a separate line
 - A list of your bookmarks. These should be links to the websites, and should be divided up into categories using nested lists

Web Page Images

- A picture is worth a thousand words!
- Most web browsers can display online images
- Browsers support the following image formats
 - X Bitmap (XBM)
 - GIF: Graphics Interchange Format
 - JPEG: Joint Photographic Expert Group
 - PNG: Portable Network Graphic

A Note on Copyright

- If the image does not belong to you, you have no right to post it on the web
- Free clipart libraries are an exception

Adding Images to Web Pages

- Images are not directly added to web pages
- Instead, the image files are placed onto the web server, and links to the images are placed in the web page

Image Tag

- To link to an image from a web page, you need
 - HTML tag ``
 - The attribute `src=image_file`
 - Where `image_file` is the URL of the image
- Example:
 - ``
- The `` tag has no ending or closing tag!

Attributes of `` Tag

- height & width
 - Used to specify the height and the width of the image in pixels
- alt
 - The alternate text displayed when the user has images turned off

Getting Images off the Web

- Click on image, hold mouse button down
- Choose “save image as” from menu
- Choose the location you want to save the image (desktop or server)

Exercise

- Let's try adding images to a page
- Download image to local disk
 - <http://zeus.cs.pacificu.edu/shereen/pacific.jpg>
- Create an web page and add a link to the image
 - Try adding the image in the middle of text
 - Change the size of the image

Aligning Images

- Adding the image as we did in the previous example treats the image as an individual character
- Does not look good!
- Better to align the image with the text
 - Image on the left, text on the right
 - Image on the right, text on the left

Align Attribute

- This attribute will align the image to the right or right
- Example:
 - ``
- Try using this attribute on the web page you created
- What difference does it make?

Location of Images

- So far, all the images that we have linked to have been in the same directory (folder) as the webpage
- It is usually a better idea to place all images in a separate directory
- In the previous example, if the image was placed in a directory (images) the html would be
 - ``

Placing Web Pages on Euler

- All the pages we have created up to now have been placed on the local machine (desktop)
- These are not considered online as they are not accessible to other people on the Internet
- We will be placing web pages online by placing them in the sites folder in our directories on Euler

Placing Web Pages on Euler

- So we don't mix different web pages up, it is a good idea to create folders for the different exercises or assignments
- Example:
 - Create a directory called "week4" in your sites folder on Euler
 - Place your web page in that folder
 - Create an images folder in the "week4" folder
 - Place all your images into that folder

Viewing Your Web Pages

- You can view the pages on Euler by opening a browser and typing in the following URL
 - <http://euler.math.pacificu.edu/~username/filename>
 - Where username is your username
 - i.e. mine would be khoj0332
 - The filename is the name of the webpage you created.
 - This should have the extension .html

Problem

- Let's design a new page for the natural science division
- This page must
 - Display the Pacific University Logo
 - Use a colored background
 - Contain a heading "Natural Science Division"
 - Use a list format linking to: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Exercise Science, Environmental Studies, Mathematics, Physics

Creating More Than One Page

- So far, we have created only one page for each problem or exercise
- We have only linked to web sites
- How would we create web pages that link to each other?

Problem

- Create a page with at least two riddles on it (questions only)
- Create another page with a list of answers
- Link the two pages together:
 - On the first page, add a link to the answers
 - On the second page, add a link back to the first page