

PHP Introduction

What is PHP?

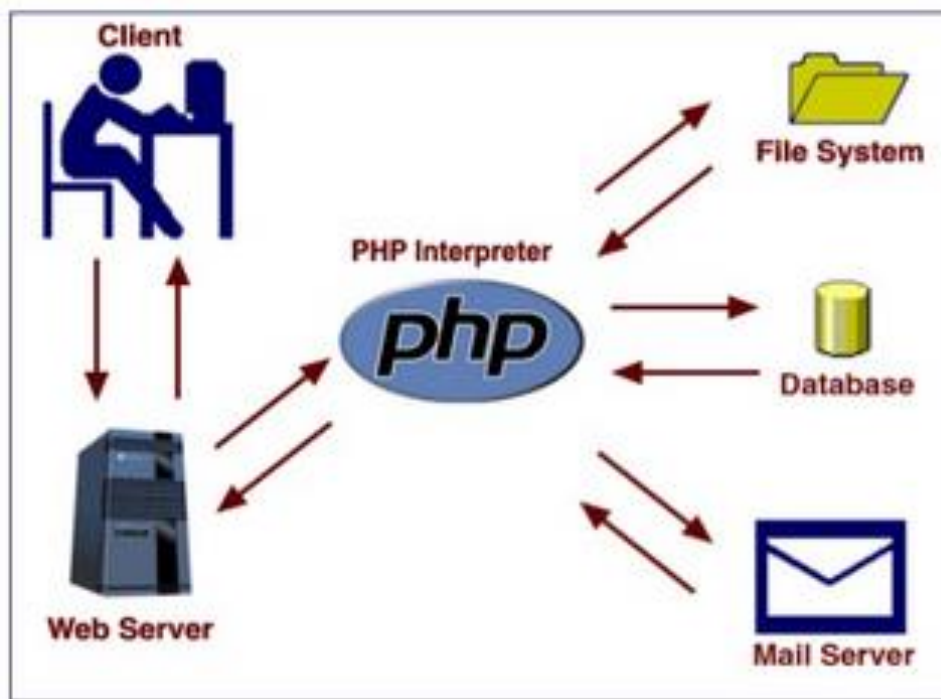
- PHP is an acronym for "PHP: Hypertext Preprocessor"
- PHP is a widely-used, open source scripting language
- PHP scripts are executed on the server

PHP File

- PHP files can contain text, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and PHP code
- PHP code are executed on the server, and the result is returned to the browser as plain HTML
- PHP files have extension ".php"

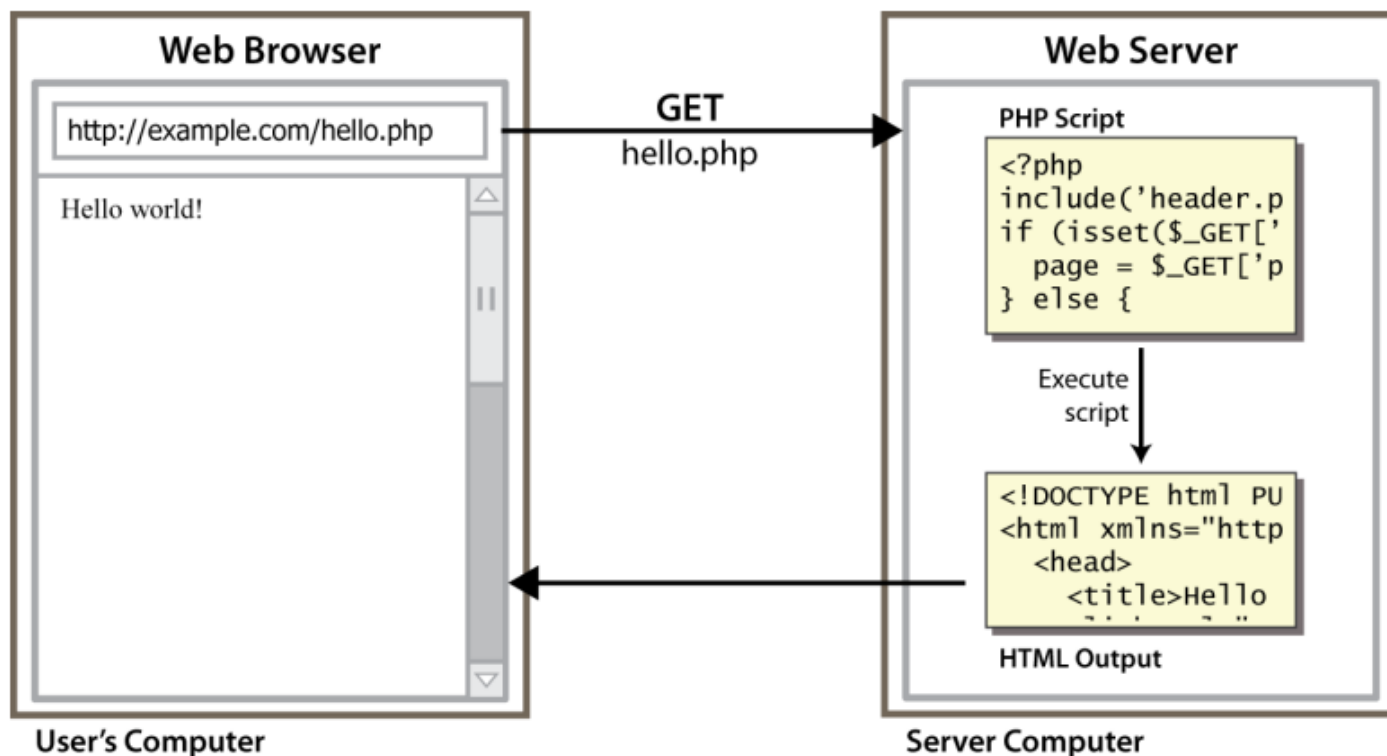
How PHP works

- when the user navigates in his browser to a page with a .php extension, the request is sent to a web server, which directs the request to the PHP interpreter.
- The PHP page is processed and the results is sent back to client.



Life cycle of a PHP web request

- The user requests a .php file.
- Server runs any script code inside.
- script produces output that becomes the response sent back to user's browser.



Using PHP we can:

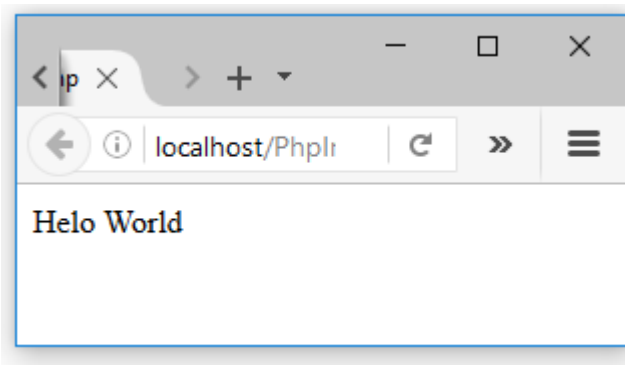
- PHP can generate dynamic page content
- PHP can create, open, read, write, delete, and close files on the server
- PHP can collect form data
- PHP can send and receive cookies
- PHP can add, delete, modify data in your database

PHP Syntax

- A PHP script can be placed anywhere in the document.
- A PHP script starts with `<?php` and ends with `?>`

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
    echo "Hello World!";
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

- The PHP code is executed on the server, generating HTML which is sent back to the client.
- The hello world PHP page renders to an HTML page as bellow:



```
view-source:http://localhost/PhpIntroduction/hello-world.php
1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <!--
3 hello-world.php
4 -->
5 <html>
6   <head>
7     <meta charset="UTF-8">
8     <title></title>
9   </head>
10  <body>
11    Helo World   </body>
12 </html>
13
```

Comments in PHP

- A comment in PHP code is a line that is not read/executed as part of the program. Its only purpose is to be read by someone who is looking at the code.

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      // This is a single-line comment

      /*
       This is a multiple-lines comment block
       that spans over multiple
       lines
      */
      echo "Hello World!";
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```


Declaring PHP Variables

- In PHP, a variable starts with the \$ sign, followed by the name of the variable.

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $txt = "Hello world!";
      $x = 5;
      $y = 10.5;
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

Rules for PHP variables

- A variable starts with the \$ sign, followed by the name of the variable
- A variable name must start with a letter or the underscore character
- A variable name cannot start with a number
- A variable name can only contain alpha-numeric characters and underscores (A-z, 0-9, and _)
- Variable names are case-sensitive

Variables Scope

- PHP has three different variable scopes:
 - *local*
 - *global*
 - *Static*

static variable is a local variable in a function that keeps its value after the function executed.

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>static variable Example</h1>
    <?php

    function myFunction() {
      static $x = 0;
      echo $x, "</br>";
      $x++;
    }

    myFunction();
    myFunction();
    myFunction();
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```



PHP Data Types

- PHP supports the following data types:
 - **Integers** – are whole numbers, without a decimal point, like **4195**.
 - **Doubles** – are floating-point numbers, like **3.14159** or **49.1**.
 - **Booleans** – have only two possible values either **true** or **false**.
 - **NULL** – is a special type that only has one value: **NULL**.
 - **Strings** – are sequences of characters, like **'PHP supports string operations.'**
 - **Arrays** – are named and indexed collections of other values.
 - **Objects** – are instances of programmer-defined classes, which can package up both other kinds of values and functions that are specific to the class.
 - **Resources** – are special variables that hold references to resources external to PHP (such as database connections).

Object Example

```
<?php
class foo
{
    function do_foo()
    {
        echo "Doing foo.";
    }
}

$bar = new foo;
$bar->do_foo();
?
```

Resource Example

```
<?php
$c = mysql_connect();

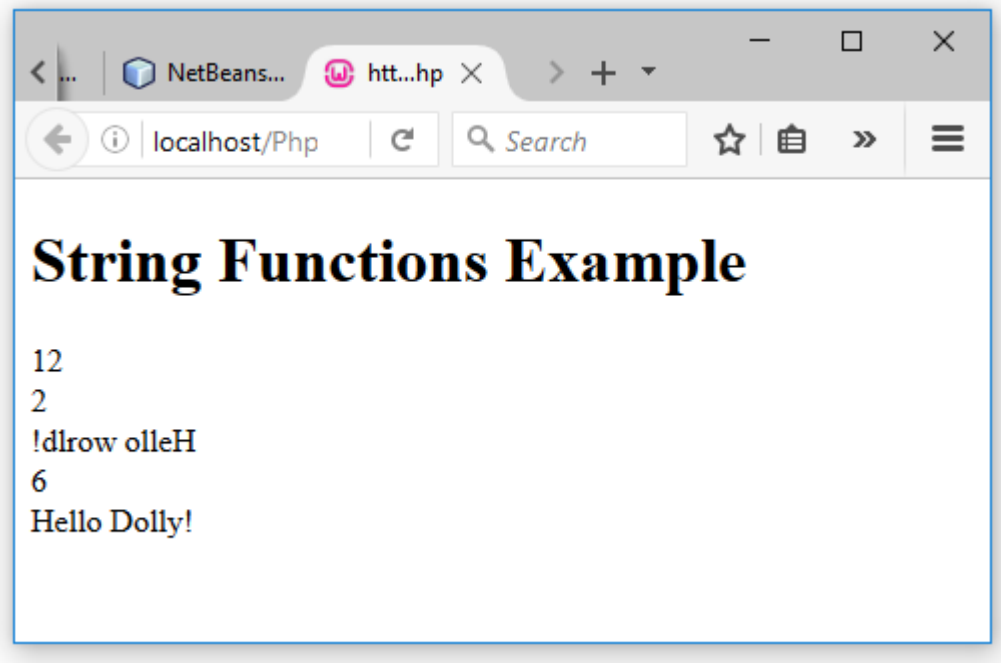
$fp = fopen("foo", "w");

<?
```

PHP String Functions

Function	Uses	Example
<code>strlen()</code>	returns the length of a string.	<code>echo strlen("Hello world!"); // outputs 12</code>
<code>str_word_count()</code>	counts the number of words in a string	<code>echo str_word_count("Hello world!"); // outputs 2</code>
<code>strrev()</code>	reverses a string	<code>echo strrev("Hello world!"); // outputs !dlrow olleH</code>
<code>strpos()</code>	searches for a specific text within a string	<code>echo strpos("Hello world!", "world"); // outputs 6</code>
<code>str_replace()</code>	replaces some characters with some other characters in a string.	<code>echo str_replace("world", "Dolly", "Hello world!"); // outputs Hello Dolly!</code>


```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<!--
string_functions.php
-->
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>String Functions Example</h1>
    <?php
    echo strlen("Hello world!"), "</br>";
    echo str_word_count("Hello world!"), "</br>";
    echo strrev("Hello world!"), "</br>"; //
    echo strpos("Hello world!", "world"), "</br>";
    echo str_replace("world", "Dolly", "Hello world!");
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```



PHP Constants

- A constant is an identifier for a value and its value cannot be changed during the script.
- The `define()` function is used to create a constant.

```
define(name, value, case-insensitive)  
define("PI", "3.14");
```

- Constants are automatically global and can be used across the entire script.

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
    define("PI", 3.14);

    function circleArea() {
      $area = PI * 10 * 10;
      echo $area;
    }

    circleArea();
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

PHP Operators

- Operators are used to perform operations on variables and values.
- PHP divides the operators in the following groups:
 - Arithmetic operators
 - Assignment operators
 - Comparison operators
 - Increment/Decrement operators
 - Logical operators
 - String operators
 - Array operators

Arithmetic operators

Operator	Description	Example
+	Addition	$\$j + 1$
-	Subtraction	$\$j - 6$
*	Multiplication	$\$j * 11$
/	Division	$\$j / 4$
%	Modulus (division remainder)	$\$j \% 9$
++	Increment	$++\$j$
--	Decrement	$--\$j$

Assignment operators

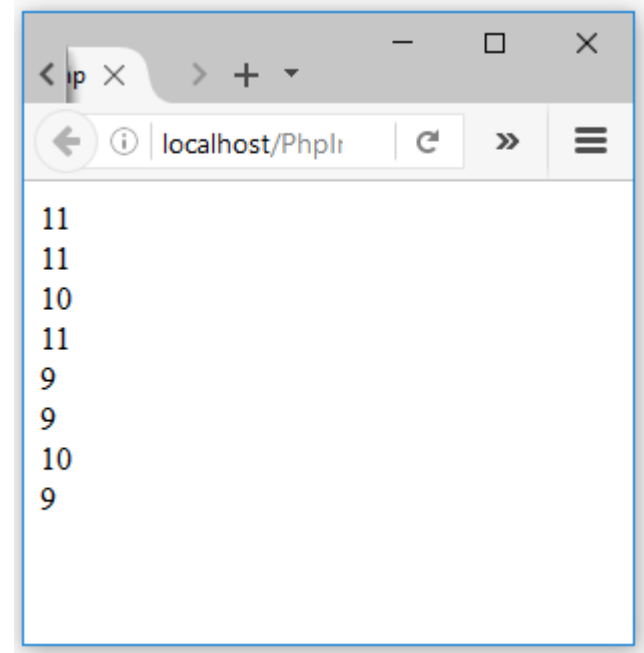
Operator	Example	Equivalent to
=	$\$j = 15$	$\$j = 15$
+=	$\$j += 5$	$\$j = \$j + 5$
-=	$\$j -= 3$	$\$j = \$j - 3$
*=	$\$j *= 8$	$\$j = \$j * 8$
/=	$\$j /= 16$	$\$j = \$j / 16$
.=	$\$j .= \k	$\$j = \$j . \$k$
%=	$\$j \% = 4$	$\$j = \$j \% 4$

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $x = 10;
      echo ++$x, "<br/>";
      echo $x, "<br/>";

      $y = 10;
      echo $y++, "<br/>";
      echo $y, "<br/>";

      $z = 10;
      echo --$z, "<br/>";
      echo $z, "<br/>";

      $w = 10;
      echo $w--, "<br/>";
      echo $w, "<br/>";
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```



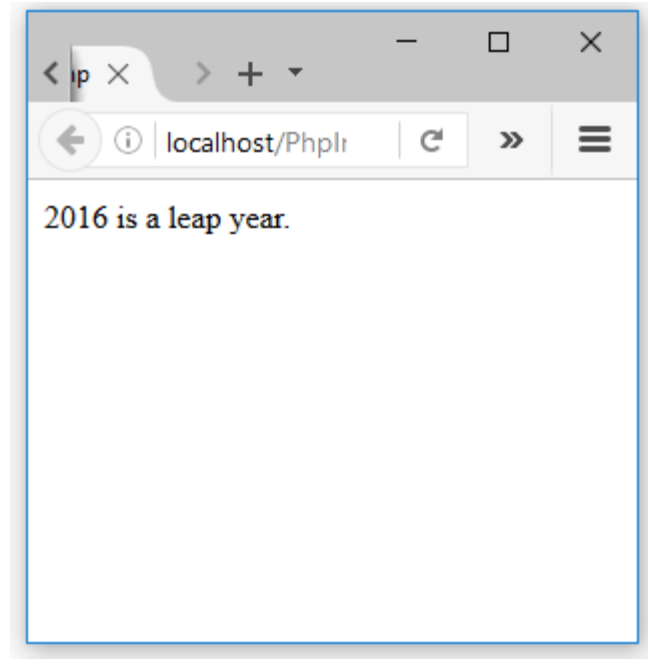
Comparison operators

Operator	Description	Example
<code>==</code>	Is equal to	<code>\$j == 4</code>
<code>!=</code>	Is not equal to	<code>\$j != 21</code>
<code>></code>	Is greater than	<code>\$j > 3</code>
<code><</code>	Is less than	<code>\$j < 100</code>
<code>>=</code>	Is greater than or equal to	<code>\$j >= 15</code>
<code><=</code>	Is less than or equal to	<code>\$j <= 8</code>

Logical operators

Operator	Description	Example
<code>&&</code>	And	<code>\$j == 3 && \$k == 2</code>
<code>and</code>	Low-precedence and	<code>\$j == 3 and \$k == 2</code>
<code> </code>	Or	<code>\$j < 5 \$j > 10</code>
<code>or</code>	Low-precedence or	<code>\$j < 5 or \$j > 10</code>
<code>!</code>	Not	<code>! (\$j == \$k)</code>
<code>xor</code>	Exclusive or	<code>\$j xor \$k</code>


```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $year = 2016;
      // Leap years are divisible by 400 or by 4 but not 100
      if (($year % 400 == 0) || (($year % 100 != 0) && ($year % 4 == 0))) {
        echo "$year is a leap year.";
      } else {
        echo "$year is not a leap year.";
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```



The if Statement

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $bank_balance = 5000;
      if ($bank_balance >= 500) {
        $zakat = ($bank_balance / 1000) * 25;
        echo $zakat;
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

The if else Statement

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $bank_balance = 5000;
      if ($bank_balance >= 500) {
        $zakat = ($bank_balance / 1000) * 25;
        echo $zakat;
      } else {
        echo "No Zakat";
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

The elseif Statement

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $x = 15;
      $y = 15;
      if ($x > $y) {
        echo "X is greather than y";
      } elseif ($y > $x) {

        echo "X is less than y";
      } else {
        echo "X is equal to y";
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

The switch Statement

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $page = "News";
      switch ($page) {
        case "Home":
          echo "You selected Home";
          break;
        case "About":
          echo "You selected About";
          break;
        case "News":
          echo "You selected News";
          break;
        case "Login":
          echo "You selected Login";
          break;
        case "Links":
          echo "You selected Links";
          break;
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

The ? Operator

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <?php
      $money =4000;
      echo $money >= 5000 ? "Pay Zakat" : "No zakat";
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

while Loops

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>while Example</h1>
    <?php
      $x = 1;
      while ($x <= 10) {
        echo $x;
        $x = $x + 1;
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```


do...while Loops

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>do..while Example</h1>
    <?php
      $x = 1;
      do {
        echo $x;
        $x = $x + 1;
      } while ($x <= 10);
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

for Loops

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>For loop Example</h1>
    <?php
      for ($x = 0; $x <= 10; $x++) {
        echo $x;
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```

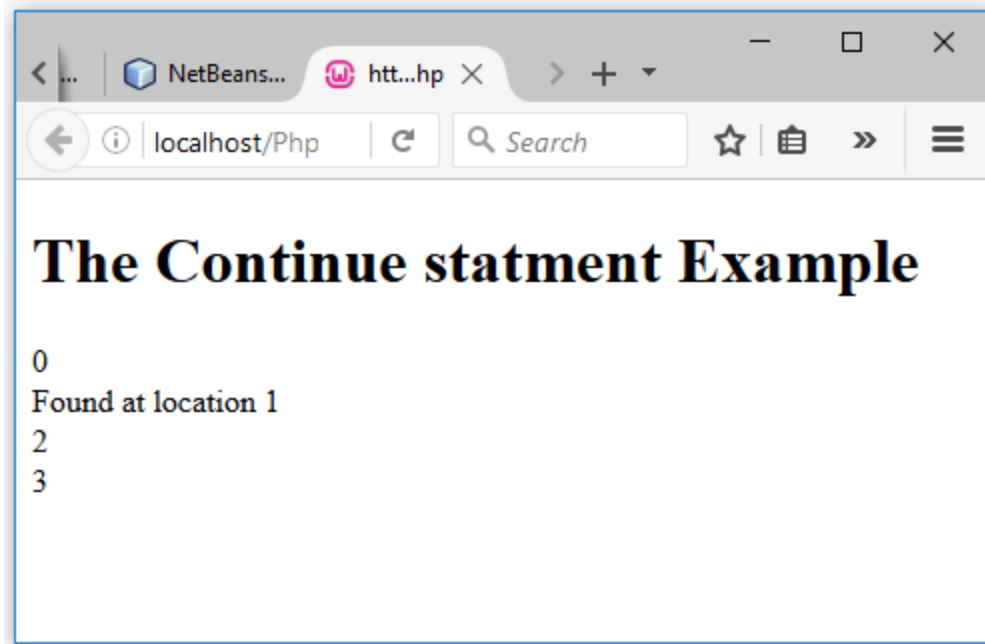
Breaking Out of a Loop

```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>Breaking loop Example</h1>
    <?php
      $colors = array("red", "green", "blue", "yellow");
      for ($i = 0;$i <= 4;  $i++) {
        if ($colors[$i] == "blue") {
          echo"Found at location " , $i;
          break;
        }
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```



The continue Statement

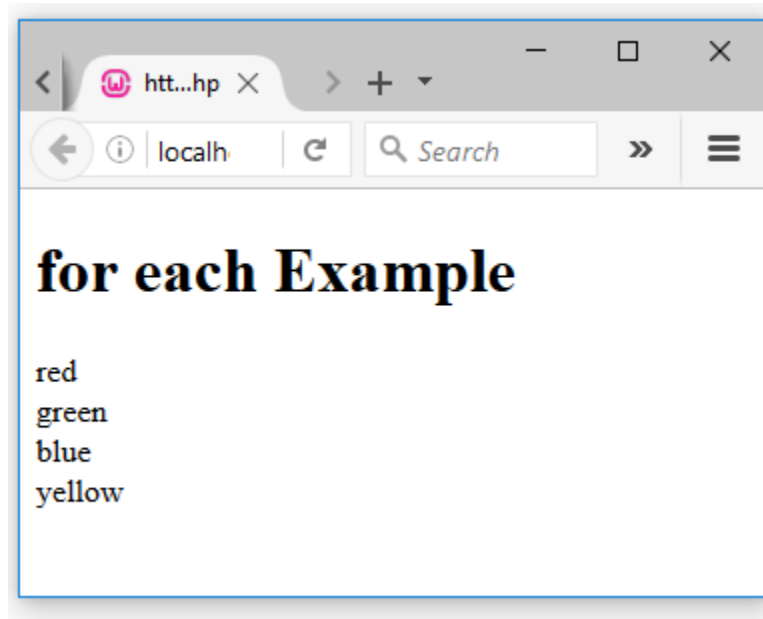
```
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title></title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>The Continue statement Example</h1>
    <?php
      $colors = array("red", "green", "blue", "yellow");
      for ($i = 0; $i < 4; $i++) {
        if ($colors[$i] == 'green') {
          echo "Found at location " , $i, "</br>";
          continue;
        }
        echo $i, "</br>";
      }
    ?>
  </body>
</html>
```



foreach Loop

```
foreach ($array as $value) {  
    code to be executed;  
}
```

```
<html>  
  <head>  
    <meta charset="UTF-8">  
    <title></title>  
  </head>  
  <body>  
    <?php  
    $colors = array("red", "green", "blue", "yellow");  
  
    foreach ($colors as $value) {  
        echo "$value <br>";  
    }  
    ?>  
  </body>  
</html>
```



Thanks!