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# UNIT-1

# EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY- ROLE OF ICT

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# **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

The availability and importance of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in education are the paradigm shift in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs); that refers the transformation of teaching learning tactics. The development and implementation of ICT based tools in higher education changes the pedagogical structure of teaching learning in higher education in India as well as in the world education. The ICT is a powerful tool to enrich and transform the education till the unreachable. The use of ICT in education helps educators and learners in many ways, e. g. to provide universal access to education, weaken the learning divides, enhance the quality of learning, strengthen inclusion, increasement of GER (Gross Enrollment Ratio), support for the development of educators and finally improve the overall education in terms of quality education.

Now e-learning/ technology enabled learning /online learning is the crucial concept for brighten the quality and widespread reachability of education. The objectives behind to embed ICT concepts and tools in educational Institutions is to facilitate the learners for updating the

information regarding their various learning activities. Besides that, ICT enabled learning also opens the door of Open Educational Resources (OERs) for getting new knowledge without paying a single coin.

In today's digital era our adults/minors are digitally engaged with less important activities, in that case we can divert/train them towards useful digital engagement as: e-learning. We also require to introduce ICT tools and concepts for those learners; so that they can achieve something extra outside the course curriculum and they can develop their curiosity and desire to learn, and can intensely participating in such activities. The recent developments and advancements in mobile devices have opened up more opportunities for every individual across the world to be able to communicate and obtain information quickly. Various studies proved that ICTs with Internet connection facilitate in-depth study which enhances learning and promotes knowledge generation.

### 1.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Explore the ICT oriented educational initiatives.
- Define the role of ICT in 21st century education.
- Explore the applications and tools of ICT in teaching-learning.

### 1.3 ICT ORIENTED EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

The educational Institutions across the world are embracing ICT based teaching and learning process to disseminate quality education to their learners spread across the globe. In India availability and access of ICT facilities and learner characteristics are uneven and vary from state to state. In line with the advocacy of technology enabled education various Educational Institutions across the globe, initiated several initiatives. Some of the popular initiatives taken by Govt. of India (GoI) under the National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NME-ICT) are as discussed. Such initiatives are useful to promote digital learning and to leverage the potential of ICT to make the best quality content accessible to all learners across the globe, free of cost. As-

- The Virtual Labs initiative has been taken by Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD). Virtual Labs do not require infrastructural setup for conducting experiments at user premises, its intended beneficiaries of are- students and faculty members of science and engineering whose inquisitiveness will be triggered, researchers and engineering colleges who can share the given resources.
- The Talk to Teacher is an indigenously built multi-modal, multimedia e-learning platform that provides an immersive e-learning experience that is almost as good as a real classroom experience.

- Spoken Tutorial is an educational content portal where one can learn various Free and Open-Source Software by oneself. The courses offered by Spoken Tutorial are of self-paced, multi-lingual that anybody with an Internet connecting device, such as computer, mobile, and etc. and a desire for learning, anyone can learn from anywhere, anytime and in a language of their choice.
- Consortium for Educational Communication is an Inter- University Center set up by the University Grants Commission (UGC) of India. The CEC has been established with the goal of addressing the needs of higher education through the use of powerful medium of television along with the appropriate use of emerging ICT tools.
- E-Yantra is an initiative to spread education in embedded systems and robotics by Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay; sponsored by MHRD. The objective behind this project is to provide hands-on learning to engineering students to create the next generation of (Embedded Systems) engineers in India.
- The e-ShodhSindhu is formed by MHRD with the merger of three consortia initiatives, namely UGC-INFONET Digital Library Consortium, National Library and Information services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (NLIST) and Indian National Digital Library in Engineering Sciences and Technology (INDEST). The e-ShodhSindhu provides current as well as archival access to more than 15,000 core and peer-reviewed journals and a number of bibliographic, citation and factual databases in different disciplines.
- The Quantum-Nano computing Centre is a multidisciplinary centre with the mission to explore and advance the application of quantum-nano systems to a vast array of relevant information processing techniques.
- The Free Open-Source Software for Education project promotes the use of Free and Open-Source Software tools to improve the quality of education with the aim to reduce dependency on proprietary software in educational institutions.
- Creating Digital-learning Environment for Design also called E-Kalpa; presents three initiatives- providing digital online content for design, a social networking environment for design & higher learning and creating a digital resource database on design. The project would focus on knowledge accumulation, storing and dissemination and education in four sectors University, Industry, Government and the Informal sector.
- E-PG Pathshala is an initiative of the MHRD under NMEICT program being executed by the UGC. e-Adhyayan, e-Pathya and UGC-MOOCs are more initiatives of NMEICT, where under e-Adhyayan 700+ e-Books and video contents for the Post-Graduate Courses are provided.

In today's transforming environment, the learning habits of learners are trending, as such learning habits are based on hands-on-learning, learners centric, technology-based learning and etc. The new age approach of learning develops several skills among learners, as- critical thinking, inquiry, autonomy to learn, learn by doing, etc. To keep pace with global challenges and competencies we always required something else than traditional learning approaches, an effective new age teaching learning pedagogy is based on personalization, awareness about technology-based learning, participation and outcome/productivity-based learning. As such pedagogical innovations in educational technology should emphasis on individuals' active participations for learning, solving problems, learning with peers, etc. are the key elements of effective twenty first century skills of learning. The ISTE (International Society for Technology in Education) also referred to student-cantered learning environments, which should provide genuine, authentic and student-cantered learning opportunities rather than transforming traditional system into digitized form. We try to approach new pedagogies which should improve learning outcomes and focus on adaptive learning, peer learning, gamification (learning by play/game), flipped classrooms approach and project-based learning.

# 1.4 EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES IN 21ST CENTURY

The COVID-19 pandemic has drastically changed the way of teaching-learning. In this pandemic the role of educational technologies are of key importance for every student because there are no alternate. Basically, educational technology facilitates learning and also improves performance by creating, using, and managing appropriate technological processes and resources of learning. Educational technology is the process of integrating technology into education to build better teaching/learning experiences that result in higher learning outcomes. In 21st century learning there are several new age technologies adopted, as-Big Data, Machine Learning, and the Internet of Things (IoT), etc.

21<sup>st</sup> century learning allows teachers to provide multimedia to address diverse learning styles, such as animation, live video, etc. besides that it also enables teachers to create online courses (MOOCs- Massive Open Online Courses) where students can learn in their own pace. Technology has made it possible for everyone to stay connected, so that the students and teachers can connect, discuss, share their opinions, and act upon situations collaboratively. Educational technology makes learning more fun and exciting for students. When we feel engaged in learning, we learn better, remember better, and also apply knowledge better to real life. Technology makes education smarter, more effective, accessible and gamified with the use of multimedia. Following are the trending 21st century educational technologies-

• E-Learning: e-Learning is education or training delivered electronically. it is a rising demand for online educational platforms. With eLearning, educational content is delivered to learners through computers, laptops, tablets, or smartphones. It opens the doors for interactive learning where one can interact directly with on-screen information. E-Learning courses includes- animation, podcasts, videos, text,

infographics that create a multimodal and practical learning experience. A variety of outstanding feature of online learning platforms are available where one can get the advantage of real time teaching-learning (synchronous) via live stream or group meetings using Zoom or Microsoft Teams, etc. or you can use recorded (asynchronous) methodologies with a wide range of media and digital functions available to enrich lessons.

- Video-Assisted Learning: Video-assisted learning has become more and more popular as classroom displays.
- Blockchain Technology: The Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT) from blockchain brings so many benefits to education, especially data storage. Every time new data is added, it adds another "block" to the system, so the storage is technically limitless. Simultaneously, the data will be encrypted and distributed across multiple computers in the system. It makes transacting data decentralized and transparent. Blockchain technology is used in Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) and ePortfolios to verify skills and knowledge.
- Artificial Intelligence (AI): AI can automate several activities in education, like grading. It's now possible for teachers to automate grading of the multiple-choice and fill-in-the-blank questions. AI-driven programs can give both learners and educators helpful feedback.
- Learning Analytics- The current landscape of learning analytics has dramatically expanded, especially for higher education. It allows measurement, collection, analysis and reporting of data about learners and their contexts, for purposes of understanding and optimising learning and the environments in which it occurs.
- Gamification- Today's educational technologies trends towards learning as fun and engaging process. Gaming elements help create a funny and positive learning environment for learners.

# 1.5 ROLE OF ICT IN EDUCATION

ICT is a part of our lives for the last few decades affecting our society as well as individual life. ICT which is now broadly used in educational world. Teacher, Student, administrator and every people related to education are popularly used ICT. Teacher uses ICT for making teaching-learning process easy and interesting. A competent teacher has several skills and techniques for providing successful teaching. The presence of ICT in education allows for new ways of learning for students and teachers. E-learning or online learning is becoming increasingly popular and where various unprecedented events taking place in our lives, like COVID 19.

In modern science and technological societies education demands more knowledge of teacher regarding ICT and skills to use ICT in teaching–learning process. The knowledge of ICT also

required for pre-service teacher during their training programme, because this integrated technological knowledge helps a prospective teacher to know the world of technology in a better way by which it can be applied in future for the betterment of the students. Now-a-day's ICT is transforming educational institutions and classrooms into a new look by involving new educational tools which can enhance learning, providing teachers and students more facilities and opportunities for futuristic learning. Teachers must know the use of ICT in their subject areas to help the learners for learning more effectively.

Educational Technology is a behavioural and scientific approach to the teaching-learning in which technological methods/tools and applications are used. Broadly the means of educational technology is the "development, application and evaluation of system techniques and aids in the field of learning."

Educational technology/ tools help to create condition for better explaining the inputs during the teaching process as well as it also focuses on to achieve the learning objectives. It is a way to systematize the learning methods and techniques in today's digital era. Its purpose is to bring more effectiveness in the teaching-learning process to meet the requirements according to the need of the changing era.

In modern era, the educational technology has great importance in learners' achievement. For example- Radio, television, Internet supported tools (smart phones, social media, etc.) as a media of education technology broadcasts/offers a variety of educational programmes throughout the country/globe. The products of educational technology, i. e. audio-visual aids are considered effective media for teaching and learning. The skilful utilization of such digital techniques/tools are the needs of time.

# 1.6 APPLICATIONS OF ICT IN EDUCATION

Application of ICT (Information and Communication Technology) in education has changed the whole scenario of teaching and learning process. ICT benefits the teaching-learning process in several ways, as- it used various components of ICT for content delivery, defines the online teaching–learning process more interactive, etc. During the last few decades, there has been a tremendous growth in the use of ICT in all fields, such as- Industries, businesses, societies, lives of people and education. During this global pandemic (COVID 19) situation, only the applications of ICT become the way to carry teaching-learning activities among the global community. ICTs provide greater opportunity for both teachers and students to adjust learning and teaching to individual needs, so it is necessary to integrate ICT application in every level of education (Roy, 2015). Some of the ICT tools those are used in teaching-learning are as-

- ICT in Record Keeping.
- Connecting with Parents (E-mail, Website or Blog, Online Survey, Virtual Learning Environments, Media Sharing, Social Networks, Online Groups and Forums, SMS and Instant Messaging, etc.)

- School/College Management Tools- Such tools are used to maintain, Student's profile, result, fee record, result, etc.
- ICT in information delivery/teaching-learning- OER, MOOCs, Blogs, Video (YouTube) Channel, Blogs, Digital recorders, Digital books, electronic math worksheets, Mobile technology (e. g. tablets, iPods, iPads, smartphones, MP3 players, etc.), Reading systems that utilize a computer, scanner, and software to "read" scanned book pages out loud, Speech recognition software that allows a computer to operate by speaking to it.

# 1.7 TYPES OF TOOLS USED IN TECHNOLOGY ENABLED LEARNING

E-learning or technology enhanced learning may either be synchronous or asynchronous. Synchronous learning occurs in real-time (live), with all participants interacting at the same time, while asynchronous learning is self-paced learning which allows participants to engage in the exchange of ideas or information without the dependency of other participants' involvement at the real time. Several tools are used to success the technology enabled education, some of them are mentioned below-

- Google Classroom (https://classroom.google.com)- It is a powerful community based social tool for learning where students can post questions and receive answers from their teachers. It can also be integrated with other Google products such as Google Forms, which can be a great way to get feedback from students.
- Khan Academy (www.khanacademy.org)- It is a platform through which one can learn anything freely. Learning material is presented in the form of videos, interactive activities, and challenges.
- Presentation Software- Visual aids are complement for teaching, stimulate discussion, or allow out-of-class teaching. Tools designed for this purpose are- PowerPoint, Google Slides, Slidedog, etc.
- Online Projects and Collaboration Tools- Technology can support student collaboration on creating new knowledge, reflecting on what they are learning, or working together to achieve a deeper understanding of course material.
- Podcasts- podcasts conveys information to the students for initial learning or review. It is easier to record and deliver.
- Smart Boards- It is an interactive whiteboard which allows teachers and students to control the computer through touching the screen. More services and software can be purchased to increase its functionality and interactivity.
- Virtual Classrooms- A virtual classroom is an online teaching and learning environment in which teachers and students can interact with one another in a real time manner.

- Learning Management System (LMS)- LMS is a software application in which one can manage courses and learning activities (i. e. content delivery, monitoring and assessing students' performance, etc).
- Computer-aided assessment- Computer-assisted assessment includes various forms of students' assessments which is conducted using online medium.
- AI (Artificial Intelligence) supported tools for learning- AI can help in several ways for learning and developing skills among the learners. Some of the popular ways in which AI can contribute, as- the learners can receive more personalized learning, AI can help to educators to identify learning disabilities, etc.

# 1.8 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- The development and implementation of ICT based tools in higher education changes the pedagogical structure of teaching learning in higher education in India as well as in the world education.
- The use of ICT in education helps educators and learners in many ways, e. g. to provide universal access to education, weaken the learning divides, enhance the quality of learning, strengthen inclusion, increasement of GER (Gross Enrollment Ratio), support for the development of educators and finally improve the overall education in terms of quality education.
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- 21st century learning allows teachers to provide multimedia to address diverse learning styles, such as animation, live video, etc. besides that it also enables teachers to create online courses (MOOCs- Massive Open Online Courses) where students can learn in their own pace.

### 1.9 GLOSSARY

- LMS- Learning Management System.
- AI- Artificial Intelligence.

- NLIST- National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content.
- INDEST- Indian National Digital Library in Engineering Sciences and Technology.
- GER- Gross Enrollment Ratio.
- UGC- University Grants Commission.

# 1.10 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- 1) Define the role of ICT in 21st century learning.
- 2) What do you understand by technology assisted learning? Explain.
- 3) List the key initiatives of ICT oriented education.
- 4) Define the tools used in technology enabled learning.

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# UNIT-2

# MODELS OF TECHNOLOGY ENABLED LEARNING AND SOCIAL MEDIA

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# 2.1 INTRODUCTION

As you are already aware that the application of some form of digital technology to teachinglearning in an educational context is referred as Technology-Enabled Learning. There are a range of terms to denote Technology-Enabled Learning in several context, as- computerassisted learning, networked learning, computer-based learning, e-Learning, and technologyenhanced learning. Currently, it has been noted a significant increase in accessing technologies, especially in mobile and Internet technologies for accessing digital learning resources by the students and teachers. Several educational institutions are involved in taking the advantage of technology-enabled learning for innovation and capacity building. In today's learning environments students having a bunch of learning resources so that they are becoming independent of learning time and space. This leads to new ways of teaching-learning tools and technologs. ICTs provide both students and teachers with more opportunities in adapting learning and teaching resources. The potentials of ICTs in increasing access and improving relevance and quality of education in the society. ICTs greatly facilitate the acquisition and absorption of knowledge, to enhance educational systems, improve policy formulation and execution, and widen the range of opportunities for educational technologies and entrepreneurship. In today's information age ICTs opens the door of accessing knowledge in ways unimaginable not long ago. ICTs have revolutionized the way we work today and are now transforming education systems into a new age education. Now, ICT is gaining recognition and attention at every level of education system.

A learning environment in today's interconnected and technology-driven world can be virtual, online or remote. Such learning environments can be considered as support systems that provide the condition in which one can learn. These environments are able to accommodate the unique learning needs of every learner to provide effective learning. These learning environments provide the structures, tools, and communities that students and educators can use to attain the knowledge and skills required to succeed in 21st century. 21st century learning must take place in environments that promote interaction which enable formal and informal learning.

Rapidly evolving demands of the new knowledge society are posing serious challenges for designs of learning environments. Some important challenges include how to design learning environment to best meet the demands of 21st century learners and educators, how can new and existing environments best accommodate increasingly diverse technologies, are governments/schools investing in building new technology-enabled learning environments, and how can existing learning environments can be transformed to achieve future educational goals. Today's interactive learning environments place students and teachers at the centre of educational process. Design of learning environment plays an important role in facilitating innovative learning pedagogies. Learning environments must be sufficiently flexible to accommodate range of teaching and learning scenarios and technologies.

### 2.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Explore various learning environments.
- Define role of social media in learning.
- Define challenges and opportunities of social media in e-learning.

# 2.3 BRIEF OVERVIEW OF LEARNING ENVIRNIMENTS

Learning environment refers to the diverse physical locations, contexts, and cultures in which students learn. Since students may learn in a wide variety of settings, such as outside-of-school locations and outdoor environments. The term also encompasses how individuals interact with and treat one another, as well as the ways in which teachers may organize an educational setting to facilitate learning. In other words, we can say that the students learn in many different ways and in different contexts. The aim is to create a total environment for learning that optimises the ability of students to learn. There are infinite number of possible learning environments, which makes teaching-learning effective and interesting. Developing a total learning environment for students is of key importance and also is a most creative part of teachinglearning pedagogy.

# 2.4 TYPES OF LEARNING ENVIRNIMENTS

- Online Learning: Online learning can be termed as a tool that can make the teaching– learning process more student-centred, more innovative, and even more flexible. Online learning is defined as "learning experiences in synchronous or asynchronous environments using different devices (e.g., mobile phones, laptops, etc.) with internet access. In Online learning environment, students can be anywhere (independent) to learn and interact with instructors and other students. The synchronous learning environment is structured in the sense that students attend live lectures, there are real-time interactions between educators and learners, and there is a possibility of instant feedback, whereas asynchronous learning environments are not properly structured. Synchronous learning can provide a lot of opportunities for social interaction.
- **E-learning**: is a learning program that makes use of an information network- such as the internet, an intranet (LAN) or extranet (WAN) whether wholly or in part, for course delivery, interaction and/or facilitation. Web-based learning is a subset of e-learning and refers to learning using an internet browser such as the Moodle, blackboard or internet explorer.
- **Blended Learning**: refers to learning models that combines the face-to-face classroom practice with e-learning solutions. For example, a teacher may facilitate student learning in class contact and uses the MOODLE (Modular Object-Oriented Dynamic Learning Environment) to facilitate out of class learning.
- **Constructivism**: is a paradigm of learning that assumes learning as a process individual "construct" meaning or new knowledge based on their prior knowledge and experience. Educators also call it the emerging pedagogy in contrast to the long existing behaviourism view of learning.
- Learner-centred learning environment: is a learning environment that pays attention to knowledge, skills, attitudes, and beliefs that learners bring with them to the learning process where its impetus is derived from a paradigm of learning called constructivism.

# 2.5 ROLE OF SOCIAL MEDIA IN LEARNING

ICT has continually enabled us to keep up with knowledge and information sharing. It has made our daily activities faster and more efficient; trade and commerce more fluid; and communication easier despite distance, among other things. As ICT revolutionizing information sharing and completely changed the education system. Now, several online courses are made available, and enabling interested to learn from anywhere any time. The emergence of social media and applications has immensely changed our lifestyles immensely, influencing the way we define our interpersonal relationships, and connect with the outer world. Social media anchors itself on the concepts of sharing and communities. Social media platforms are perceived as good avenues for idea sharing and information transfer.

In today's digital world social media plays a meaningful role in education and information sharing. Social media is a platform which is beneficial for future learning, through these platforms, teachers can connect with students and incorporate social media into their lessons, making them more interesting, relatable and engaging. Social sites are a great tool when it comes to interacting with students. There are several handy tools/platforms are available to pursue learning where you can find useful learning resources, as- YouTube, Blogs, discussion forums, etc. There are several social media platforms available, some of them are listed here-

- YouTube- YouTube's greatest strength as an online learning resource is that it's a free and easily accessible repository for videos. Videos for educational purposes are said to have various pedagogical benefits, including improved thinking through visual clues, enhanced mastery learning, and increased student engagement.
- Facebook- The major advantage of Facebook has over other social media platforms is that it is the most widely-used social media platform which nutures various virtual communities and connections. Facebook also offers an option to develop an application that will cater to your needs, while simultaneously integrating interactive features.
- Pinterest- It is a search engine which can yield thousands of educational materials from infographics to simple images. Infographics cut down information into bite-sized data for easier mental digestion and better memory recall.
- Hashtags- Hashtags bring together publicly-posted and available materials (e.g., photos, videos, status, etc.) on a specific category across all social media platforms. The advantage of using hashtags is that it makes easier for the user to search for various content.
- Google Docs- It is not a social media platform, but it provides easy access for collaboration and also allows multiple users to freely access documents online.

# 2.6 SOCIAL MEDIA- CHALLENGES AND ISSUES FACED DURING LEARNING

Teachers and students are using social media in education; this is also shown by several research studies. Studies have explored the learners' perceptions towards use of social media in higher education where both challenges and opportunities are exists. Studies denotes to the facts that teachers are using social networking technologies as a teaching and learning tool in

the informal/ virtual learning environment. Studies found a direct link between Social Networking Sites use and education where one can search according his/her needs (Ngonidzashe, 2013).

The term social media is used to describe the use of networked tools by individuals or groups of people to consume, produce and share content. To do the same several platforms such as-Facebook, Skype, Wiebo, WeChat, and WhatsApp as well as individual web and blog sites are used. Significant educational benefits of using social media are (Anderson, nd.)-

- learning awareness of potential interaction with others.
- Enhanced media/digital literacy.
- Increased informal participation in institutional, social and political activities.
- Integration of formal with informal learning.
- Support for continuing relationship between institutions and alumni.
- Improve knowledge retention and understanding.
- Increase class participation and motivate students.
- Build community and connects with students to the global community.
- Become an effective member of an online community.
- Improve students writing (through writing for peers, feedback)
- Improve student attitudes towards the course content.
- Digital citizenship.
- Global competency.
- Internationalizing of learning in which global classrooms, instructors and students are available to teach and learn with peers using Internet-based global network.

#### Challenges

Several challenges are associated with the use of social networking sites in learning-

- Teachers cannot make assumptions about students' proficiency with social media.
- Student proficiency must be taken into account when designing activities.
- Lack of technology skills or support.
- Online misbehaving.
- Time required to monitor.
- Activities and assessments should be designed carefully.
- Comments and posts on social media platforms are public.
- Internet exposes students to inappropriate material, unwanted adult interactions, and bullying from peers.
- Issues related to privacy, authorship and ownership rights.
- Information overload as another challenge.
- Quality of content.
- Online safety of students.

• Loss of control wherein one can receive unsolicited negative comments.

# 2.7 FUTURISTIC LEARNING

In 21st century, everything is transforming whether it is education, global trade and economy, technology or society. To cope-up with such transformations and succeed in facing the challenges in real-life, leading to his holistic progress, one needs to gain new skill-set in every aspect of facing challenges in life. The term 21st century skills refer to a broad set of knowledge, skills, work habits, and character traits that are believed by educators, school reformers, college educators, employers, and others to be critically important to success in today's world. Thus, the 21st Century Skills or future skills or new age skills are the skills that are required by an individual for his/her holistic development. Such skills develop us asglobally active, digitally transforming, collaboratively moving forward, creatively progressing, seeking competent human resource and quick in adopting changes. Empowering our young one's with such skills is a challenging task.

### 2.8 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- The term 21st century skills refer to a broad set of knowledge, skills, work habits, and character traits.
- The skills required by an individual for his/her holistic development is known as 21st Century Skills or future skills or new age skills.
- Teachers are using social networking technologies as a teaching and learning tool in the virtual learning environment.
- In digital world social media plays a meaningful role in education, information sharing, and future learning.
- Using such platforms, teachers can connect with students and incorporate social media into their lessons, making them more interesting, relatable and engaging.

# 2.9 GLOSSARY

- Learning Environment- An interconnected and technology-driven world which can be virtual, online or remote, called virtual learning environment.
- Learning Environments are able to accommodate the unique learning needs of every learner to provide effective learning.
- Virtual Learning Environments provide the structures, tools, and communities that students and educators can use to attain the knowledge and skills required to succeed in 21st century.
- Online Learning- Online learning can be termed as a tool that can make the teachinglearning process more student-centered, more innovative, and even more flexible.

• Online learning is defined as "learning experiences in synchronous or asynchronous environments using different devices (e.g., mobile phones, laptops, etc.) with internet access.

# 2.10 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- 1) Explore the challenges and opportunities involved in social media.
- 2) How do you understand the role of social media in learning? Explain in your own words.
- 3) What do you mean by learning environments? Explain different learning environments.
- 4) Write a short comment on futuristic learning.

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# UNIT-3

# FUNDAMENTALS OF IMAGE EDITING

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# 3.1 INTRODUCTION

Digital technology has changed the way in which students use visual materials in academic work and has increased the importance of visual literacy skills. (Matusiak, et. al., 2019) Visual literacy refers to the ability to interpret, negotiate, and make meaning from information presented in the form of an images (Wikipedia).

The web, social media, and mobile technology have contributed to the ease of viewing and sharing images on a global scale. This digital transformation is not only associated with the proliferation of information resources, but also with the increasing importance of the image as a mode of knowledge representation. Image users are no longer only viewers, but are also creators of and active contributors to visual communication. Visual literacy emerges as a set of essential competencies for today's learners. As we are surrounded by visual media, it does not necessarily mean that we know how to find appropriate images, understand their meaning in their respective context, or integrate them accordingly (Matusiak, et. al., 2019). The

development of multimedia technologies for learning and reachability of smart devices offers new ways in which learning can take place in different age group learners. The term multimedia denotes, Text, Images and graphics, Audio, Video, and Animation.

## 3.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Explore types of images.
- Define raster and vector images.
- Explore key features of Adobe Photoshop and GIMP.
- Define copyright issues involved with images.

# 3.3 TYPES OF IMAGES

File formats are intended to store particular kinds of digital information. For Example- the ".JPEG" file format is designed only to store still images, while the ".GIF" format supports storage of both still images and simple animations. The most well-known formats have file specifications that describe exactly how the data is to be encoded.

Digital image files are seen by programs as streams of data (binary digits, as- 0s and 1s), a method is required to determine the format of a particular file within the file system. One popular method is to determine the format based on the final portion of the filename, known as the filename extension.

A digital image is a picture that is stored on a digital device, i.e. a computer. A digital image means, which consists of a sequence of numbers (binary digits, as- 0, and 1) that computers can understand. To create a digital image, generally you have two ways, as- using software (i.e., Paint brush, Photoshop, etc), and using digital cameras (i.e. mobile phones, web cams, etc).

Note: Some terminologies about images.

#### What is a pixel?

A 'pixel' (also called picture element) is a tiny square of colour. Lots of pixels together can form a digital image. More number of pixels in a image shows better quality of the image whereas lesser number of pixels in an image shows lower quality of the image.

#### What is Resolution?

Resolution is usually described as "Pixels per Inch" (PPI) when referring to a computer display, or "Dots per Inch" (DPI) used by a printer when printing an image. Generally speaking, 300 DPI is considered the industry standard for printing (although many printers can print over 2000 DPI), whereas an image on a computer screen is displayed at about 100 PPI (a newer '4k' computer monitor that is 28" across the diagonal (or about 71 centimetres) has approximately 160 PPI and some mobile phones have screens with over 400 PPI). This means that, even if the

image quality looks good on your screen, the resolution may not be good enough or of an acceptable quality when printing.

This means, you need larger images (higher resolution) for printing. The disadvantage is that high resolution images correspond with large file sizes, so you need to think about the size of the image (in centimetres) on the printed page. For example, to print an A4 sized image so that the image covers the full page at 300 DPI, you need a minimum resolution of 3508 X 2480 pixels, which means an image file size of between approximately 5MB (Lossless PNG) to 13MB (Lossless JPEG), which may be too big for environments with low or expensive bandwidth.

When developing teaching resources, we recommend that you do not enlarge the image on the page more than a standard photo print size. This will reduce the file size of images you need to embed in the resource to ensure good quality printing (if printing in colour).

#### Image file formats-

- GIF (Graphic Interchange Format)- GIF uses lossless compression for relatively small file sizes, as compared to uncompressed data. The GIF format can only show 256 colors.
- TIFF (Tagged Image File Format)- TIFF files have many formats, as- Black and white, greyscale, 4-bit color, 8-bit color, and 24-bit color images.
- BMP (Bitmap)- Bitmap is monochrome and the color table contains two entries. Each bit in the bitmap image represents a pixel.
- JPEG (Joint Photographic Expert Group Format)- A JPEG image provides very good compression, but does not uncompressed exactly as it was; JPEG is a lossy compression technique.
- PNG (Portable Network Graphics)- It utilizes lossless compression. It is a universal format that is recognized by the World Wide Web consortium (W3C), and supported by modern web browsers.

# 3.4 RASTER AND VECTOR IMAGES

Images are the greatest contributors to the visual appeal of your website. Images are files, just like any other document in your computer, but they can be coded and formatted differently to reproduce the image you want to see. We find these referred to as raster and vector graphics. These formats represent two very different methods of creating an image. [2]

#### **Raster Image/Graphics-**

The image files most of us are already familiar with using are typically raster format. Examples of these are JPEG, GIF and BMP. When we interact with pictures, we took on digital cameras for example, we are dealing with JPEG or JPG files. Raster files recreate an image by recording the color value of pixels, which represent the smallest single point on a screen that can be

assigned a color by the display. The higher the number of pixels (or density, measured as pixels per inch) translates to how sharp the image is, and how large it can be rendered without losing quality. [2]

The number of colors available in the image file is based on the length of the value available to each point. If we only allowed a single binary character for each pixel point, we would be able to keep our file size as small as possible. This however would mean we could only represent our image in black and white (binary only allows us two options, 0 or 1, so we can only represent two colors.). When we allow longer values to represent a single point, we can assign values a larger range of colors. Once we scale these up, however, we trade away our smaller image sizes in order to have more colorful pictures. [2]

Traditionally, we have faced this trade off by using different image formats in different areas of our website. While reserving JPG for our larger images or photos, we can use GIF for smaller icons and indicators. GIFs limit us to 256 colors, but since most icons use few colors, we are able to capitalize on the benefits of this format here. It is important to note that raster images will quickly lose quality when rendered at sizes larger than the original image's width or height. [2]

#### Vector Images/Graphics-

Vector images store information about colors and locations as definitions of angles, lines, and curves in mathematical format. The benefit of a vector formatted image is that it can be scaled both up and down in size without distortion or degradation in image quality. This is due to the fact that the image is "drawn" by the browser each time it is loaded, and the processor performs the steps necessary to recreate the image. Since the image can be scaled, the same image file can be drawn very large, or very small, without changing the file size. [2]

To resize the image, you can perform compression / decompression techniques. When we discuss compression in terms of graphics, we need to consider whether it will result in a lossy or lossless result. A lossless result means the compression techniques used do not remove data from the original copy, so we can restore the image to its exact original size and appearance. A lossy compressions structure can result in greater compression, but achieves the extra advantage by removing information from the file. [2]

Slicing- For some time, there has been a practice of breaking larger images up into many smaller ones (a process called slicing), in an effort to allow webpages to load more quickly.

# 3.5 POPULAR OPEN- SOURCE IMAGE EDITING TOOLS

#### [1] GIMP (www.gimp.org)-

"GIMP is a free and open-source raster graphics editor used for image manipulation and image editing, and free-form drawing"- Wikipedia. It is the well-known alternative to Adobe Photoshop (which is paid licensed) for image editing and manipulation. It is a feature-rich and

free program, allowing you to show your creativity in photo editing. You can freely download it from the following link, as- www.gimp.org.

#### [2] Krita (www.Krita.org)-

It is a free and open-source raster graphics editor designed primarily for digital painting and 2D animation. Krita is a great tool for sketching or digital painting, and has multiple brush options. If you are creating cartoons, textures, concept art, and digital paintings, Krita supports almost all kinds of activities. You can freely download it from the following link, as-www.Krita.org.

#### [3] Pinta (www.pinta-project.com)-

It is somehow similar to MS Paint. Pinta is an open-source, cross-platform (can run in other Operating Systems) bitmap image drawing and editing program. It is a basic image editing application which is easy to learn, you can download it from the following link, as- www.pinta-project.com.

#### [4] Darktable (www.darktable.org)-

It is a free and open-source photography application software. It has several image editing features like Adobe Photoshop, as- dynamic adjustment filters and presets, and etc. You can download it from the following link, as- www.darktable.org.

#### [5] DigiKam (www.digikam.org)-

DigiKam is an advanced open-source digital photo management application that runs on Linux, Windows, and Mac Operating System. The application provides a comprehensive set of tools for importing, managing, editing, and sharing photos/images. You can download it from the following link, as- www.digikam.org.

#### [6] Inkscape (www.inkscape.org)-

It is a free and open-source vector graphics editor used to create vector images, primarily in scalable Vector Graphics format. Other formats also can be imported and exported. It offers a rich set of features and is widely used for both artistic and technical illustrations such as cartoons, clip art, logos, typography, diagramming and flowcharting. You can download it from the following link, as- www.inkscape.org.

# **3.6** BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO ADOBE PHOTOSHOP

Adobe photoshop is a photo editing and raster graphic design software which allows users to create, edit, and manipulate various graphics. It is developed by Adobe Systems for both Windows and Mac Operating Systems. It allows to create and edit raster images with multiple layers, and also supports multiple file formats. Adobe Photoshop having a sidebar with a variety of tools in its toolbox with multiple image-editing functions. These tools typically fall

under the categories of drawing; painting; measuring and navigation; selection; typing; and retouching. Brief introduction of such tools are- [5]

- Pen tool- The pen tool creates precise paths that can be manipulated using anchor points. The free form pen tool allows the user to draw paths freehand, and with the magnetic pen tool, the drawn path attaches closely to outlines of objects in an image.
- Clone stamp tool- The Clone Stamp tool duplicates one part of an image to another part of the same image by way of a brush.
- Shape tools- Photoshop provides an array of shape tools including rectangles, rounded rectangles, ellipses, polygons and lines.
- Measuring and navigation- The eyedropper tool selects a color from an area of the image that is clicked, and samples it for future use.
- Selection tools- Selection tools are used to select all or any part of a picture to perform cut, copy, edit, or retouching operations.
- Cropping- The crop tool can be used to select a particular area of an image and discard the portions outside the chosen section.
- Slicing- The slice tool can be used to divide an image into different sections, and these separate parts can be used as pieces of a web page design once HTML and CSS are applied.
- Moving- The move tool can be used to drag the entirety of a single layer or more if they are selected.
- Marquee- The marquee is a tool that can make selections that are a single row, single column, rectangular. An area that has been selected can be edited without affecting the rest of the image.
- Lasso- The lasso tool is similar to the marquee tool; however, the user can make a custom selection by drawing it freehand. There are three options for the lasso tool-regular, polygonal, and magnetic.
- Quick selection- The quick selection tool selects areas based on edges, similarly to the magnetic lasso tool. The difference between this tool and the lasso tool is that there is no starting and ending point.
- Magic wand- The magic wand tool selects areas based on pixels of similar values.
- Eraser- The Eraser tool erases content based on the active layer.
- Color replacement tool- The color replacement tool allows the user to change the color, while maintaining the highlights and shadows of the original image, of pieces of the image.

# 3.7 OVERVIEW OF IMAGE EDITING AND GIMP

#### Image editing-

A photo editing software makes visually appealing changes to the photos and helps you organize your photographs into collections. From the business viewpoint, images contain thousands of words and also can be a symbol of your brand. Image editing software can take the scanned image of the old pictures/images, covert and restore them into the digital images. So, that one can edit and reshape old memories. [7]

#### Why edit a/an image/photograph? [7]

- For gaining attention, so that business benefit can be attain.
- For Portrait Services.
- For Clipping.
- For quality enhancement, And many more.

#### Things to be noted while selecting Photo Editing Software- [7]

- Almost all computers, digital cameras, smartphones, and other movable devices come with in-built image editing software.
- File Format– The images that you need to create should locate on the web in the right format. That format can be any, i.e., JPEG, PNG or GIF. The file format you choose should also allow you to compress the file size of your photo for the web.
- Organizing Tools– Try finding the software that helps you keep track of your photos by using naming schemes, search, and thumbnail previews, especially when you are taking lots of pictures.
- Standard Editing Tools– Your photo editing software should possess at least minimum level editing requirements like resizing, cropping, rotating and adjusting brightness and contrast in your photos. These tools should be quick and easy to use.
- Photo Sharing– You should select a program that integrates to photo-sharing services like Integra, Flickr, etc.

#### Some are the basic steps for editing image(s)-

- Crop your image(s) and clean them up.
- Adjust white balance.
- Adjust exposure and contrast of your image.
- Adjust colour vibrancy and saturation.
- Sharpen images.
- Finalize and share image.

#### **Introduction to GIMP-**

GIMP is a multi-platform photo manipulation tool. GIMP stands for 'GNU Image Manipulation Program'. The GIMP is suitable for a variety of image manipulation tasks, including photo retouching, image composition, and image construction. It has many capabilities, as it can be used as a simple paint program, an expert quality photo retouching program, an image format converter, etc. GIMP is free available from many sources for many operating systems. [6]

#### Some of the key features and capabilities of GIMP are- [6]

- A full suite of painting tools including brushes, a pencil, an airbrush, cloning, etc.
- Sub-pixel sampling for all paint tools for high-quality anti-aliasing.
- Layers and channels.
- Advanced scripting capabilities.
- Multiple times undo/redo.
- Transformation tools including rotate, scale, shear and flip.
- Supports wide range of file formats, as- GIF, JPEG, PNG, XPM, TIFF, TGA, MPEG, PS, PDF, PCX, BMP, etc.
- Selection tools, as- rectangle, ellipse, free, fuzzy, Bezier and intelligent scissors.

#### You can perform several photo editing tasks, some of them are listed here. as-

- Basic image and layer manipulation techniques.
- Different shaped images.
- Introduction to layer masks to modify the opacity of a layer.
- Basics of colour curves.
- Image formats overview.
- Photo editing techniques.
- Luminosity masks.
- Layer masking and creative filter applications.
- Several paintings brush.
- Automate editing.

Note- for accessing/knowing more detailed tutorials about GIMP, you may follow/visit towww.gimp.org/tutorials.

### 3.8 COPY RIGHT ISSUES OF IMAGES

Photographs are more often the subject of copyright infringement due to the ease of republishing photos on the Internet. Because photos are so often published without attribution, it can be difficult to locate the actual owner of an image. You should use images responsibly. Most databases and websites provide information about copyrights and how their images can be used. Read this information carefully and comply with usage guidelines. Usage guidelines can vary. [3]

There are a number of different citation styles including but not limited to APA, MLA, AP, Chicago, etc. It is important to stay consistent with style usage throughout any particular

document. If you are using images pursuant to a Creative Commons (CC) license, so you should have good understanding of CC licenses to properly cite to such materials. [3] Any items obtained from the web or scanned from a print source should be attributed to the owner of the copyrighted work. This includes photographs, paintings, or other works of art, tables, graphs, and other illustrations from primary or secondary source materials. Images from royalty free clip art, such as the clip art available in Microsoft Word or Power Point, do not need to be cited. Generally, the following elements are needed in an image citation- [3] Artist's name (if known).

Title of image (if known).

Title of article or book if applicable.

Author of article or book if applicable.

Title and date of journal if applicable.

Database name if applicable.

Date of access if online.

Date of publication if originally from print material.

URL if applicable.

#### NOTE-

Many image libraries allow you to filter search results by licence status: for instance, CC0 (in the public domain, no attribution required), CC BY (free to re-use with attribution and indication if changes were made) or CC BY-NC (free to re-use in a non-commercial context, with attribution and indication if changes were made). The CC Search tool (http://search.creativecommons.org) enables you to search multiple libraries simultaneously. [4]

**Google Images-** Advanced Search option enables you to filter results by Usage Rights, similar to Creative Commons categories. Be aware that Google doesn't accept responsibility for the reliability of these results- check the terms of use at source where possible. [4]

### 3.9 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Image users are no longer only viewers, but are also creators of and active contributors to visual communication. Visual literacy emerges as a set of essential competencies for today's learners.
- The term multimedia denotes, Text, Images and graphics, Audio, Video, and Animation.
- A 'pixel' (also called picture element) is a tiny square of colour. Lots of pixels together can form a digital image. More number of pixels in a image shows better quality of the image whereas lesser number of pixels in an image shows lower quality of the image.
- A digital image is a picture that is stored on a digital device, i.e. a computer. A digital image means, which consists of a sequence of numbers (binary digits, as- 0, and 1) that

computers can understand. To create a digital image, generally you have two ways, asusing software (i.e., Paint brush, Photoshop, etc), and using digital cameras (i.e. mobile phones, web cams, etc).

- Resolution is usually described as "Pixels per Inch" (PPI) when referring to a computer display, or "Dots per Inch" (DPI) used by a printer when printing an image.
- Adobe photoshop is a photo editing and raster graphic design software which allows users to create, edit, and manipulate various graphics.
- A photo editing software makes visually appealing changes to the photos and helps you organize your photographs into collections.
- Photographs are more often the subject of copyright infringement due to the ease of republishing photos on the Internet. Because photos are so often published without attribution, it can be difficult to locate the actual owner of an image. You should use images responsibly.
- There are a number of different citation styles including but not limited to APA, MLA, AP, Chicago, etc.

# 3.10 GLOSSARY

- Vector images- Vector images store information about colors and locations as definitions of angles, lines, and curves in mathematical format. The benefit of a vector formatted image is that it can be scaled both up and down in size without distortion or degradation in image quality.
- Raster image- The image files most of us are already familiar with using are typically raster images. Raster files recreate an image by recording the color value of pixels, which represent the smallest single point on a screen that can be assigned a color by the display. The higher the number of pixels in a image shows the better quality if the image.
- GIF (Graphic Interchange Format)- GIF uses lossless compression for relatively small file sizes, as compared to uncompressed data. The GIF format can only show 256 colors.
- TIFF (Tagged Image File Format)- TIFF files have many formats, as- Black and white, greyscale, 4-bit color, 8-bit color, and 24-bit color images.
- BMP (Bitmap)- Bitmap is monochrome and the color table contains two entries. Each bit in the bitmap image represents a pixel.
- JPEG (Joint Photographic Expert Group Format)- A JPEG image provides very good compression, but does not uncompressed exactly as it was; JPEG is a lossy compression technique.

• PNG (Portable Network Graphics)- It utilizes lossless compression. It is a universal format that is recognized by the World Wide Web consortium (W3C), and supported by modern web browsers.

# 3.11 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- a) What do you understand by Raster and Vector images? Explain.
- **b)** List frequently used open-source image editing applications.
- c) Define the basics of editing an image.
- d) How can we safe ourselves of from violating copyright(s) of an image(s)? Explain.

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# UNIT-4

# FUNDAMENTALS OF INFO GRAPHICS

#### 4.1 INTRODUCTION

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# 4.1 INTRODUCTION

The infographics are modern technologies, which are used for visual presentations in which graphic drawings (illustrations, symbols, maps, graphics, etc.) are combined with text messages to transform complex data and concepts into the form of images and drawings that can be clearly conveyed and easily understood by the people/target audience. The term "infographics" is made up of "Information" and "Graphics" that integrates visualization of data, illustrations, texts and images all together in a form which is easily understood. The infographics are characterized by numerous advantages, including simplifying the scientific facts and presenting them in a visualized data form, shortening explanatory texts, illustrations, and videos to expressive symbols, images and simple denotations, as well as being easier to be produced (Afify, 2018).

Infographics are widely spread in educational and entertainment social networks, newspapers, magazines, and multi-interest websites more than the other electronic media as well as being less expensive than the other means. With the use of infographics one can design more than one type of visuals; and perhaps the most prominent ones are static and animated types. The static infographics denote the graphics which are designed for the objective of printed use or digital use in websites, or to be viewed on a screen as digital presentations without integrating any motion; And animated elements having motion properties. As for the animated infographics, they refer to the graphics designed for being displayed on graphic animated video screens on video websites such as YouTube, TV ads or animated presentations on smartphones, etc (Afify, 2018).

In other words, you can say that the word infographic is an abbreviation of "information graphic". It is a visual representation of data or editorial content. "Simply put, an infographic uses visual cues to communicate information. They do not need to contain a certain amount of data, possess a certain complexity, or present a certain level of analysis. There is no threshold at which something becomes an infographic. It can be as simple as a road sign of a man with a shovel that lets you know there is construction ahead, or as complex as a visual analysis of the global economy" (Lankow, Ritchie, & Crooks, 2012).

The effectiveness and role of using infographics in teaching-learning proven the students' success when they are utilized as an alternative to texts, and also the infographics facilitates learning in comparison to ordinary texts, as well as enabling learners to participate effectively in the learning process, which results in long lasting learning. Infographics are specially used in e-learning environments which are based on the digital platform through e-learning management systems or using other platforms of Internet based learning. The key advantage of using infographics is that there is no fixed place or need for a specific time to learn the things which are expressed using such mediums.

#### 4.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Explore features of infographics.
- Define types of infographics.
- Explore infographics designing steps and tools.

# 4.3 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INFOGRAPHICS

Infographics are considered as a new type of digital learning resources with innovative style of information presentation. The most important feature of infographics is their flexible structure which permits the visual portrayal of information, the possibility of preparing them with alternative forms, besides the possibility for using other components in their production, such as video and audio files. The infographics are characterized by the following (Afify, 2018)-

- Visual Attractive: The visual attractiveness is considered the essence of infographics use. It combines graphic elements to represent digital data, with an objective textual explanation through icons, images, colors, and all elements and principles of visual designs able to orient the audience and have their attention focused.
- **Symbolizing and Summarizing:** One of the most important features of infographics is the ability to symbolize information, concepts, facts and knowledge into brief presentation in visual symbols, ranging from images, shapes, arrows as well as static and animated graphics.
- Ability for Sharing: Infographic designs are produced in the form of digital content, which makes them easy to share across different electronic content platforms, and that enables the readers to learn collaboratively, and supports communication among them. Additionally, their design holds copyrights in high regard so the content is more secure when shared.
- Enhancement Ability: The designer can add the links and additional internet addresses as reference for the learners to enrich their culture and knowledge about the subject of infographics. Besides, there is also the possibility for adding the titles of some books, abstracts, studies and related research, which enriches the electronic as well as the printed content.
- Enhancing learning process: Infographics act in having the learning process done in a fast and effective manner. Learners prefer visual images to abstract texts for learning. This can be explained by the fact that infographics constitute an appropriate tool which ensures that students learn important points in the subject matter quickly; and that they attain textual information according to their own speed.

# 4.4 TYPES OF INFOGRAPHICS

There are many reasons why infographics are becoming a common form of communication in several places. There are many different types of infographics, few of them are-

#### [1] Comparison-

Generally, used for-

This vs. That

Clearly divided into 2 columns.

Showing differences between 2 similar concepts.

Visuals should illustrate differences immediately.

#### [2] Chart-

It is very commonly used infographics in which you can explore more information in a short time whereas in a textual format you would have to re-read everything; opening and closing paragraphs would reiterate.

#### [3] Timeline-

Such type of infographics used to present history of something, like- concept, product, service, person (e. g. timeline of their life).

#### [4] Process-
Using infographics, you can explain complex and multi-layered information in an easy manner; you also can add branching and decision making.

### [5] Essay-

Components of an essay or article broken into parts. Think of it in rectangular blocks. You can use different elements of an essay, i.e., definitions, comparisons, checklists- keeps it from being boring, keeps viewer alert.

Infographics doesn't need to be read chronologically like it would be in a textual report- a reader can pick out whatever their eye is drawn to. It reduces redundant text compared to a report.

### [6] Animated-

Instead of a poster- like infographic, this is a video which includes images, charts and graphs but can also include music and narration. Such type of infographics can be created with PowerPoint or Keynote, or using other video editing software.

# 4.5 DESIGNING AN INFOGRAPHIC

### **STEP 1: Decide what you want to say.** [1]

First decide, what do you want to get across to your readers? Then, you should think about the different ways in which the data can be visualized.

NOTE- Each of the infographics on the previous page could probably be displayed in different ways and using different designs. However, each design may subtly change the meaning, or at least change the way the audience interacts or reacts to it.

### **STEP 2: Pinpoint Patterns**

You must decide-

What does the data say?

What insight is starting to emerge from patterns in the statistics or data?

What type of infographic might fit for presenting your data or core message?

What types of charts, images, or graphics might be useful to convey your message correctly?

#### STEP 3: Sketch out a design

Try to sketch a draft of your design on paper before creating your graphic using software. Your design may change many times before you get it right and it is much easier to scrap a piece of paper than it is to start over in the software. It can save your time.

#### **STEP 4: Choose your tool**

There are many online/offline tools which are used to design different types of infographics. Different tools requiring different technology skills. Some of the popular tools which are frequently used to design infographics, are-

- PowerPoint
- Piktochart (www.piktochart.com)
- Venngage (www.venngage.com)
- Canva (www.canva.com)

- Easelly (www.easel.ly)
- Visme (www.visme.co)
- Infogram (www.infogram.com)
- Snappa (www.snappa.com)

# 4.6 INFOGRAPHICS DESIGNING TOOLS

### **Microsoft PowerPoint**

Basically, PowerPoint is not a photo editing tool, but you can create effective infographic using PowerPoint. As humans are visual creatures, and as such we prefer a visual illustration as opposed to reading a plain text. Infographics allow you to present information in an eyecatching and efficient manner. Plain and simple designs can become more effective by putting your creativity and imagination on them. PowerPoint is a tool through which you can use Smart arts, Clip arts, Place holders with different colours, Various shapes, and more.

### Piktochart (www.piktochart.com)

Piktochart is a cloud-based infographic application that allows users to use various templates to create infographics, presentations, reports for many purposes. Piktochart is unique from other applications because it creates content that is web-publisher ready and can stand alone as a part of multimedia content. It is intuitive, produces fast templates, and can personalize content and designs as needed. All templates are stored in an online library which also affords real-time collaboration to streamline the workflow and reach desired objectives. [2]

One of the most crucial aspects of Piktochart is its ability to embed the multimedia principle. It allows users to showcase their learning by using pictures to support the text which is in accordance with the multimedia principle. People learn better from words and pictures than from plain words alone and benefit all types of learners. The foundation of Piktochart is to use images, graphics, and designs to communicate meaningful information with intended audiences. Moreover, most of the templates provided by Piktochart contain the option to include both words and graphics and helps viewers engage in active learning. It supports the collaborative learning approach as it encourages learners to share information and collaborate with others to share resources and information. It is a learning environment that provides information and allows opinion sharing between team members to make a rich connection among them. [2]

### Canva (www.canva.com)

Canva is a graphic design tool for the web, Android, iOS, and Chrome. Users create an account (with an email address or by linking their Google or Facebook account) and then follow the instruction to proceed. Users can upload their own images and create their own layouts or choose from a selection of thousands of built-in images and design templates (some of which are available freely). You can adjust brightness and contrast, resize images, overlay images with text and colors, and many more. Once you have finished creating designs, they will automatically save to the cloud storage and can be accessed from the user's login in the website. Users can then export their creations via e-mail, as Facebook posts, or via Twitter, and they can download their images in JPEG, PNG, or PDF format. I hope you will definitely take an experience.

### Easelly (www.easel.ly)

Easelly is an infographic creation tool that guides users to build visual and text representations of a concept or idea. Easelly provides some themes and many objects, but it is up to the user to search through these materials and organize them into a cohesive infographic. This website offers an option to share finalized products, so there are many public infographics to choose from for a template. This website is easy to navigate, and progress on an infographic can be saved for later. I hope you will try it out by visiting the www.easel.ly.

### Infogram (www.infogram.com)

With the help of this tool, you can create and share infographics, charts, and other types of data illustration. can create a variety of illustrations, ranging from tree maps to bar and line graphs. Designs can be customized with quotes, brief text, and a title; other elements like a facts and figures section, world map, and a live countdown timer can also be added with just a couple of clicks. By clicking on ..., you should try it out. You can also share your creations on Twitter, Facebook, or Pinterest; or copy and paste a link to embed it on a blog or other websites.

### Venngage (www.venngage.com)

Venngage is an online tool for creating infographics, reports, and data visualizations. You can choose a template or color scheme, then you can add text, change fonts, and add widgets, charts, and icons. You can save the infographic as an image or download it as a PDF. Users can also publish their image to the site and share it with other users via a URL or embedding code.

# 4.7 APPLICATIONS OF INFO GRAPHICS

- Infographics are graphic visual representations of information, data, or knowledge, intended to present complex information quickly and easily.
- Using infographics, you can easily convey the figures and data from which people can absorb information in a much efficient way.
- They can improve cognition by utilizing graphics to enhance the human visual system's ability to see patterns and trends (source: Wikipedia).
- Infographics display large amounts of data and information in the form of a graph or picture.

- Infographics are entertaining, eye-catching, concise, and all the information they contain is easily digested by the audience.
- Infographics are composed of- Visual Elements (i.e. Color, Graphics, Reference icons), Content Elements (i.e. Time Frames, Statistics, References), and Knowledge Elements (i.e. Facts, etc).
- Infographics are helpful to communicate more effectively for agencies reporting achievements to their clients.
- Trade shows are chaotic places where infographics can play key role to interactive data visualization.

# 4.8 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- The term "infographics" is made up of "Information" and "Graphics" that integrates visualization of data, illustrations, texts and images all together in a form which is easily understood.
- Infographics are widely spread in educational and entertainment social networks.
- The effectiveness and role of using infographics in teaching-learning proven the students' success.
- Infographics are considered as a new type of digital learning resources with innovative style of information presentation.
- Many different types of infographics are in trend, as- Comparison, Chart, Timeline, Process, Animated, etc.
- Some popular tools to design infographics, are- PowerPoint, Piktochart, Venngage, Canva, Easelly, Visme, Infogram, Snappa, etc.

### 4.9 GLOSSARY

- Visually attractive: The visual attractiveness is considered the essence of infographics use.
- Infographic: information with graphics.
- Infographics: It is characterized by numerous advantages, including simplifying the scientific facts and presenting them in a visualized data form, shortening explanatory texts, illustrations, and videos to expressive symbols, images and simple denotations, as well as being easier to be produced (Afify, 2018).

# 4.10 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- a) Define the role of infographics in teaching-learning.
- b) How can you design an effective infographic? Explain.
- c) List the different types of infographics.
- d) Define some of the popular infographic designing tools with their key features.
- e) State the applications of infographics.

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# UNIT- 5

# INTRODUCTION TO TEXT EDITOR (MS WORD)- II

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# 5.1 INTRODUCTION

Word processing means creating or manipulating text documents using some word processing computer applications in presentable and effective manner. Manual documentation has so many constraints like once a document is created it cannot be modified. We cannot apply different text formats to make an attractive document. Such documents cannot be saved for later use and multiple original copies cannot be created. But all these problems and lot more can be easily handled in computer using a word processor. Using these, we not just only create the attractive and presentable documents, but also modify them with the required change and can print the hardcopy when needed. They provide various other tools like spell checker, mail merge, tables, etc., to handle many other typical documentation problems. Commonly used word processors are Microsoft Word, Google Docs, WordPad, Apache OpenOffice writer, etc.

# 5.2 OBJECTIVES

After going through this unit, you will be able to:

- Explore the new features of Word 2010
- Use Bullet and Numbering in MS Word 2010
- Describe how to create Table
- Describe ways of adding and editing text in MS Word 2010

# 5.3 INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD 2010

Microsoft Word 2010 is one of the word processing components of Microsoft Office 2010 Suite used for creating, editing, formatting or printing the text document. Using this you can create high quality text documents like letters, reports, books, etc. The powerful features of Microsoft Word 2010 make it one of the most widely used word processing software.

#### **Starting Microsoft Word 2010**

To start Microsoft Word 2010

Step 1: Click on Start button

Step 2: Choose All Programs

Step 3: Click on Microsoft Office option

Step 4: Click Microsoft Word 2010 option in the expanded list.

# 5.4 BULLET AND NUMBERING

Information in a Word document is stored in the form of pages. So before you start typing anything in your document, it is necessary to set the page format like its size, margins, orientation, etc. so that we can get the document output in the desired manner. Although these settings can be modified anytime even after typing your document, but that will lead to the change in adjustment of document contents.

### **Creating Lists-**

Bullets on numbers make a list look attractive and legible. A Bulleted list has a dot, circle or any other symbol to identify the items in the list. A numbered list has a number or a letter to identify the items in the list. Word 2010 offers another powerful feature which is used to automatically create the ordered or unordered list of items in the document. An ordered or number list is the one in which the items get automatically numbered when they are entered and in unordered list, items get marked with a specific symbol every time when a new item is added.

#### Creating A Bulleted List

Step 1: Type the items of the list and select them.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the drop-down arrow of bullets option in the paragraph group.

Step 3: Click a bullet style from the list that appears.

#### **Creating A Numbered List**

Step 1: Type the items of the list and select them.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the drop-down arrow of numbering option in the paragraph group.

Step 3: Click a number style from the list that appears.

## 5.5 UNDO AND REDO

Correcting a typo in Microsoft Word is one of the easiest and most useful functions to access. There are two ways to do so- Via Keyboard shortcut, and Via menu control



#### Via Keyboard shortcut



Undo Keyboard Shortcut- The Undo command undoes anything you do in Word, which includes formatting text, moving blocks, typing and deleting text. Undo a mistake you have made, simply press Ctrl + Z on your keyboard. The last thing you edited will be undone.

Redo Keyboard Shortcut- Use the Redo command to set things back to the way they were. If you have undone three edits and you press Ctrl + Y, word will redo the earliest undone action.

#### Via Menu Control

The other option to use the undo and redo functions in word is via the top menu bar. You will see two arrows- a back one and a forward one.

## 5.6 WORKING WITH FONTS

Formatting means making the document attractive and presentable. It helps to enhance the appearance of your document to make it more effective and easily readable. The tools available in Font group are:

- Font is used to change the style and shape of the characters.
- Font Size is used to change the size of the characters.
- Font Color is used to change the text color.
- Bold is used make text darker.
- Italic is used to make text slanted towards right.
- Underline is used to put a line under text.
- Text Highlight Color is used to highlight text in our document.
- Change Case is used to change the case of the selected text without typing again.
- Various text properties that can be set using Font group.

**Changing Font**- Font is the style and shape of the letters of the text. Some of the fonts in Word 2010 are: Calibri, Arial, Times New Roman, Comic Sans MS, Monotype Corsiva, Bradley Hand ITC, etc.

#### To change font-

Step 1: Select the text to change the font.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the drop-down arrow of the Font option in the Font group.

Step 3: Click a font style from the list to apply it.

Changing Font Size- Font size is the size of the characters of text.

Step 1: Select the text to change the font size.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the drop-down arrow of the Font Size option in the Font group.

Step 3: Click a font size from the list to apply it.

#### **Changing Font Color-**

Step 1: Select the text to change the color.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the drop-down arrow of the Font Color option in the Font group.

Step 3: Click a color from the list to apply it.

#### **Typing Superscript and Subscript-**

The text that appears above the normal text level is called superscript text. The text that appears below the normal text level is called subscript text.

For example, in  $O^2$  and  $O_2$ , 2 is the superscript and subscript, respectively.

Step 1: Select the text to change it to superscript or subscript.

Step 2: From the Home tab, click on superscript or subscript in the Clipboard group.

#### Making text Bold, Italic, Underline-

Bold means darker text. Italic means text slanted towards the right. Underline means a line under the text.

#### Making text Bold

Step 1: Select the text you want to make bold.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on Bold option in the Font group.

#### Making text Italic

Step 1: Select the text you want to make italic.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on Italic option in the Font group.

#### Underlining text

Step 1: Select the text you want to make underline.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on Underline option in the Font group.

*Highlighting Text:* We can highlight the text in our document just like we highlight with a marker pen.

Step 1: Select the text to highlight.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the drop-down arrow of the Text Highlight Color option in the Font group. A color palette appears.

Step 3: Click the color you want to apply.

#### **Changing Case-**

The Change Case command is used to change the case of the selected text without typing again. There are five change case options in Word.

- ✓ Sentence Case: This changes all the selected letters of the sentence to lowercase except the first letter. The first letter remains capital.
- $\checkmark$  Lowercase: This changes all the selected letters to small case.
- ✓ Capitalize Each Word: This changes the first letter of each word to capital.
- ✓ Uppercase: This changes all the selected letters to capital.
- ✓ tOGGLE cASE: This reverse the case of every letter. The letters in small are converted to capital and the letters in capital are converted to small.

To change the case of text:

Step 1: Select the text.

Step 2: On the Home tab, click on the Change Case option in the Font group.

Step 3: Click an option from the list of options.

# 5.7 PAGE BREAK

Word automatically inserts a page break when you reach the end of a page. If you want the page to break in a different place, you can insert a manual page break. Or you can setup rules for Word to follow so that the automatic page breaks are placed where you want them. This is especially helpful if you are working in a long document. As adding breaks to your document can make it appear more organized and can improve the flow of text.

### **Breaks in Word**

To insert a blank line between two existing lines, we place the cursor at the end of the line after which we want to insert a blank line and press the Enter key.

#### Page Break

Page break allows us to move text to the next page before reaching the end of a page. Word 2010 automatically inserts a page break when you reach the end of the document. However, we can choose to add manual page break as per our requirements. Words offers three page break options- Page Break, Text Wrapping and Column Break.

#### Page

To insert a page break:

Step 1: Click where you want to start a new page.

Step 2: Click on Breaks and choose Page Option in the Page setup group in Page Layout tab.

The page break will be applied to the document, and the text will move to the next page.

#### Column

Column break is used when you wish to divide your document into multiple columns. It splits the text into columns. By using column breaks, you can move to the next column. This command works only when we have formatted the text in columns using the Column option in the Page Layout tab. A column break can be applied to balance the appearance of the columns.

Step 1: Click the location where you want to start a column break.

Step 2: Click on Page layout tab.

Step 3: Click on Breaks and choose Column option. The content gets shifted to the next column.

### **Text Wrapping**

When text has been wrapped around an image or object, you can use a text wrapping break to end the wrapping and begin typing on the line below the image.

Step 1: Click the location where you want to start a column break.

Step 2: Click on Page layout tab.

Step 3: Click on Breaks and choose Text wrapping option. The content gets shifted to the next column.

# 5.8 HEADER AND FOOTER

A Header or footer is text or graphics that is usually printed at the top or bottom of every page in a document. A header is printed in the top margin and footer is printed in the bottom margin. The area where the header and footer content are placed is called the Header and Footer workspace.

The workspace uses a layer of the document that is separate from the main body and behaves differently than the documents main content. After the header or footer is inserted the areas become active and can be edited. They are tagged with Header or Footer and are marked with a dashed line. Any content in the header or footer area will appear and print on every page.

#### **Inserting Header or Footer**

Header and footer display information, such as page number, author's names and date.

To insert header/footer:

Step 1: Click on Insert tab

Step 2: From the header and footer group, click on header or footer. A Gallery appears.

Step 3: Choose a header style or footer style. Now, type the text you want at the top or bottom of each page respectively

Step 4: Click on the close header and footer from the closed group in the design tab Or

Double click in the document area

### **Editing Header or Footer**

To edit header/ footer

Step 1: Click on insert tab

Step 2: Click header from the header and footer group. A Drop menu appears.

Step 3: Select edit header option. The header area will get activated.

Step 4: Now, modify and edit the header using the design tab. Following are some useful special items you can insert into a header.

- ✓ Page Number: Click page number from the header and footer group and select the location for the page number.
- ✓ Date & Time: Click date and time from the Insert group. The date and time dialogue box appears. Select date format of your choice and click ok button.
- ✓ Graphic: Click Picture /Clip Art from the insert group to insert graphics in the header.

# 5.9 PAGE SETUP

The page setup is the parameters defined by the user that help determine how a printed page appears. Those parameters can include everything from the size, margins, page orientation, and

quality of print. More plainly, it's a menu that allows users to customize the size and layout of a page.

- 1. Click the Page Layout tab.
- 2. Click the small arrow in the bottom-right corner of the Page Setup group. The Page Setup dialog box will appear.



# 5.10 HANDLING TABLES IN MS WORD

### **Creating Table-**

Tables are used to organise the information in the form of rows and columns. Rows and columns intersect each other to form rectangular blocks called cells.

#### **Creating Tables**

Word 2010 offers different methods to create tables in your document. Let us learn three of them.

#### Method 1

Step 1: Click on Insert tab

Step 2: Click on table from the tables group. A grid of cells will appear.

Step 3: Move the pointer across the grid to select rows and columns. Click in the last cell of the selected grid of cells to get the table.

#### Method 2

Step 1: Click on insert tab

Step 2: Click on table from the tables group

Step 3: Select insert table option. The Insert table dialogue box will appear on the screen.

Step 4: Enter the number of rows and columns required in the table.

Step 5: Click on Ok button to get your table at the insertion point.

#### Method 3

Another way to create table is by drawing it manually as need it used in draw table tool:

pen shape. Step 2: Drag the pointer diagonally on the document to draw the outer border of the table.

Step3: Now using the same tool draw horizontal and vertical lines in the box to divide it in the required number of rows and columns.

## **Deleting Table-**

There is a very quick way to delete a table in Word 2010, that doesn't even involve selecting the table first. Place the cursor in a cell in the table and notice that the Table Tools contextual tab appears in ribbon.

Click Layout > Rows & Columns > Delete > Delete Table.

Doing this removes the table from your document.

### Moving Across The Table Cells-

You can use Mouse or keyboard keys to move across the table cells for data entry.

- ✓ Press Tab key or use Right Arrow key to move forward in the next cell.
- $\checkmark$  To move in the backward direction along the row press Shift + Tab or Left Arrow key.
- ✓ Use Up or Down arrow key to move upward or downward in a Column.
- $\checkmark$  You can also click directly in a cell to enter or edit cell value

### Selecting Table Cell, Row and Column-

### Selecting cells

You can select multiple cells, rows and columns in a table to edit or format them together.

### Selecting a single cell

Triple click inside the cell to select the cell.

### Selecting all the cells in a row

Keep the mouse pointer in front of the row towards the left edge and click the left mouse button. The entire row will be selected.

### Selecting all the cells in a column

Keep the mouse pointer at the top of the column. The pointer turns to a downward arrow. Click the left mouse button to select the entire column.

### **Entering And Deleting Data-**

### **Entering data:**

After creating your table, to enter data values in the table cells:

- Click in the cell where you want to enter the data. A blinking cursor will appear in it.
- Type the cell information.
- Use arrow keys to move into the next cell.

Or

• Click in the cell where information is to be inserted.

• Continue like this till all the data values are entered in the table.

#### **Deleting Data:**

- Select the data you want to delete
- Press the delete key from the keyboard.
- Cell data will be removed from the table.

#### Or

- Move the cursor at end of data that you want to delete the data
- Press the Backspace key from the keyboard.
- Cell data will be removed from the table.

### Inserting And Deleting Columns and Rows-

#### **Inserting Rows or Columns**

Sometimes, you need to add more columns and rows in a table.

#### Inserting a new column

Step 1: Select cell where you want to insert a new column and click on Layout tab.

Step 2: Click on Insert Left or Insert Right in the Rows and Column group.

#### Inserting a new Row

Step 1: Select cell where you want to insert a new row and click on Layout Tab.

Step 2: Click on insert above or insert below as needed in the rows and columns group to get a new blank row in the table.

#### **Deleting Rows or Columns**

You can also remove the rows or columns that are no more needed in a table.

- Step 1: Select the cell whose row or column is to be deleted.
- Step 2: Click on the Layout Tab.
- Step 3: Click on delete option in the rows and columns group.

Step 4: Select an option- Delete Rows or Delete columns. The entire row or column get deleted.

### Merging And Splitting Cells-

#### Merging table cells

If you want to show some data value in a table which is spread across two or more cells, you can merge them to form a single cell. The cells can be merged horizontally across the row or vertical across the column.

Step 1: Select the adjacent cells which are to be merged.

Step 2: Choose the Layout Tab and click on Merge Cells option on the Merge group.

The selected cells will merge to form a single large cell

#### Splitting table cells

Just as you can merge two or more cells to form a single large cell, you can also split a cell into two or more cells to store multiple values in them.

Step 1: Select the cell that has to be split

Step 3: Enter the number of rows and columns in which the cells is to be splitted.

Step 4: Click on Ok button

will appear

# 5.11 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Microsoft Word 2010 is a word processing program, designed to help you create professional quality documents.
- With the finest document formatting tools, word helps you organise and write your document more efficiently. Word also includes powerful editing and revising tools so that you can collaborate with others easily.
- We have learnt how to create our own documents, open existing documents and finally save them before closing. The standard toolbar and the formatting toolbar offer a variety of buttons which offer a quick service to the user.
- Text can also be justified between the margins. Proper line spacing can be given in between the printed lines. Text entries separated by commas can be put in the bulleted or numbered form. This makes the major heads clearly readable and long remembered.
- Word document generally contain paragraphs with different formatting. Even a very simple document with a centered heading and a justified body contains paragraph with two different types of formatting.

# 5.12 GLOSSARY

- Word processing means creating or manipulating text documents using some word processing computer applications in presentable and effective manner.
- A Bulleted list has a dot, circle or any other symbol to identify the items in the list.
- A numbered list has a number or a letter to identify the items in the list.
- The Undo command undoes anything you do in Word, which includes formatting text, moving blocks, typing and deleting text.
- Use the Redo command to set things back to the way they were.
- Formatting means making the document attractive and presentable. It helps to enhance the appearance of your document to make it more effective and easily readable.
- Page break allows us to move text to the next page before reaching the end of a page.
- A Header or footer is text or graphics that is usually printed at the top or bottom of every page in a document.

- The page setup are the parameters defined by the user that help determine how a printed page appears.
- Tables are used to organise the information in the form of rows and columns. Rows and columns intersect each other to form rectangular blocks called cells.

# 5.13 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

#### Descriptive type questions-

- a) What is Word Processor?
- **b)** Write a short note on Header and Footer in Word.
- c) Write a short note on Page Break?
- d) What is font? How can you change the font size?
- e) Write the steps involved in creating a Bulleted list.
- f) How will you create a Numbered List?
- g) Define a Table? What are the steps to create and delete a table?
- h) Write to steps to insert a table in MS Word.
- i) Write to steps to merging and splitting cells.
- j) Difference between superscript and subscript.

#### **Objective type questions-**

- a) Font is used to change the style and shape of the characters. (True/False)
- **b)** Italic is used to make text slanted towards right. (True/False)
- c) Change Case is used to change the case of the selected text typing again and again. (True/False)
- d) Rows and columns intersect each other to form rectangular blocks called table. (True/False)
- e) A header is printed in the top margin and footer is printed in the bottom margin. (True/False)
- f) Column break is used when you wish to divide your document into single columns. (True/False)
- g) ..... on numbers make a list look attractive and legible.
- h) ..... display information, such as page number, author's names and date.
- i) You can use a .....break to end the wrapping and begin typing on the line below the image.
- j) ..... allows us to move text to the next page before reaching the end of a page.

#### Answer (Objective Type Question)-

[a] True	[b] True	[c] False	[d] False
[e] True	[f] False	[g] Bullets	[h] Header and footer

[i] text wrapping [j] Page break

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# UNIT-6

# INTRODUCTION TO SPREADSHEET (MS EXCEL)- II

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# 6.1 INTRODUCTION

Data analysis, calculations, decision making are some of the important jobs in today's competitive world of business. Organised representations of data, Complex calculations, statistical analysis, comparisons, graphical representation of data are the jobs which are frequently performed in the large organisations and Institutions to manage their operations. But carrying out all such jobs manually is not only tedious and time consuming but also error-prone.

Electronics spreadsheet are the computerized solutions of all such problems. In these spreadsheets, data can be stored easily in the tabular form and all type of calculations, analysis, etc. can easily be performed very quickly and accurately. Various electronic spreadsheet programs are available to choose from like Apache Google Sheets, OpenOffice calc, Quattro Pro, Lotus 123, Microsoft Excel, etc.

# 6.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Define the importance of spreadsheet
- Explore Formula and functions
- Explore the Analysing data

# 6.3 INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL 2010

Excel 2010 is an electronic spreadsheet program. It is the spreadsheet component of Microsoft Office 2010 suite, which is one of the most widely used application software for data analysis. Microsoft Excel allows to store data in the form of rows and columns. Both number or text type of data values can be used in the worksheet on which you can perform different type of operations using built in functions or with the help of user defined formulas.

#### Starting Excel 2010

To start Excel 2010, follow the steps given below

Step 1: Click on the Start button.

Step 2: Click on All Programs.

Step 3: Click on Microsoft Office

Step 4: Click on Microsoft Excel 2010

# 6.4 COMPONENTS OF SPREADSHEET PROGRAM

**Workbook:** An Excel document is known as workbook which is basic excel file saved with .xlsx extension. It is a collection of multiple worksheets. There are 3 worksheets by default in a workbook, but you can always add or Delete worksheets as per your need.

**Worksheet:** Worksheet is like an individual page of the workbook having grid of cells formed by the intersection of rows and columns. The 3 worksheets are named as sheet 1, sheet 2, sheet 3 by default which can be changed if needed.

**Rows**: Rows forms the horizontal sections of the worksheet which are arranged vertically from top to bottom. There are 1,048,576 rows in a single excel worksheet. Excel worksheet and are identified by the numbers 1 to 1,048,576.

**Columns**: Columns forms the vertical section of the worksheet which runs horizontally from left to right. There are 16,384 columns in a worksheet represented with the labels A, B, C...... upto XFD.

Cell: A small rectangular box formed by the intersection of a row and a column is called cell.

Formula Bar: It displays the contents of the current cell. It also used to create and view formulas.

# 6.5 WORKING WITH FUNCTIONS AND FORMULAS

#### **Basic Calculations in Excel**

Excel has a powerful feature to perform calculations on the data. We can perform addition, subtraction, multiplication and decision of numbers either using formulas or using functions.

#### Formulas

A formula in Excel is an expression made up of data value or the cell references of the cells containing data values along with the mathematical operations. These operators are used along with the operands that can be the constant or cell references of the values to be used for calculations. Every formula in Excel begins with "=" sign. Various arithmetical operators that are used in the formula are:

=A1 + B1 - C1

Where A1, B1, C1 are Operands (Cell Addresses)

#### **Creating Formulas using Fixed Values**

We can use the numbers directly in the formula as fixed values. For example, if you want to add two numbers say 100 and 200.

Step 1: Select the cell where result is to be displayed and click in it.

Step 2: Enter the formula =100+200 and press enter key or click button on the Formula Bar. The result 300 will appear in the selected cell.

#### **Creating Formulas using Cell Address**

Look at the cells.

1	A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	
1	Product	Rate	Qty	Amount					
2	T.V	25000	2						
3	Toaster	8000	4						
4	Mobile Phone	32000	7						
5	AC	18000	1						
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To find amount of a product:

Step 1: Click in the cell D5 and type = (equal to) sign

Step 2: Click in the cell B2.

Step 3: Now type and then click on the cell D2

Step 4: Click on Enter button on the formula bar. The result will appear in cell E2.

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1	Product	Rate	Qty	Amount			
2	T.V	25000	2	=B2*C2			
3	Toaster	8000	4				
4	Mobile Phone	32000	7				
5	AC	18000	1				
6							

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2	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
1	Product	Rate	Qty	Amount			
2	T.V	25000	2	50000			
3	Toaster	8000	4				
4	Mobile Phone	32000	7				
5	AC	18000	1				
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### **Types of Formulas**

Let us learn some simple ways of using a formula.

In Excel each cell can contain a calculation. In Excel terminology, it is called formula. Each cell can contain one formula. When you enter a formula in a cell, Excel calculates the result of that formula and displays the result of that calculation to you. Excel uses standard operators of formula, such as plus sign for addition (+), a minus sign for subtraction (-), an asterisk for multiplication (\*), forward slash for division (/) and a caret  $(^)$  for exponents.

All formulas in Excel must begin with an equal sign (=). This is because the cell contains or is equal to the formula and the value it calculates. There are two types of formulas- Simple and Compound formulas.

#### **Simple Formulas**

Basic formulas involve only one operator in a formula. Here is an example to understand this well. To calculate the sum of two numbers, follow these steps:

Suppose you want to calculate the total marks of student. To enter formula, use the given steps: Step 1: Click in the cell where you want to display the total. For example, G2.

Step 2: Type the formula=B2 + C2 + D2 + E2 + F2

Step 3: Press Enter Key. The total gets displayed in the cell.

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3	Nidhi	78	99	73	89	90		
4	Lalit	78	90	84	93	84		

### **Compound Formulas**

Compound formulas are used when you need more than one operator.

To calculate the Simple Interest (Principal x Rate x Time) / 100), follow these steps:

Step 1: Type the content in the worksheet.

Step 2: Click on C6 (Where the result of the formula is to be displayed)

Step 3: Here, type= (C3\*C4\*C5)/100

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4		Rate(%)	5				
5		Time(year)	3				
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7		Interest	=(C3*C4*C5	)/100			
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Step 4: Press Enter Key and the result will be displayed.

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2					
3		Principal	10000		
4		Rate(%)	5		
5		Time(year)	3		
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7		Interest	1500		
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### **Functions in Excel 2010**

Functions are the predefined formulas used to perform complex calculations and analysis. These functions can be used in excel worksheet with the help of their name along with the arguments in the form of cell references, ranges or values, which appear between parenthesis next to the function name. for example, a simple mathematical function to calculate the sum of multiple cell values can be used as:

The above function will show the sum of values stored in cell range A1 to a10.

Some of the commonly used function in Excel are:

# 1) SUM ()

SUM function is used for summing up the values in a given cell range. The syntax of using this



function is:

=SUM (Argument1, Argument2 .....)

Where SUM is the name of function and arguments can be the cell reference, cell range or fixed values. Multiple arguments can be used by separated by comma (,) operator.

For example, =SUM (A1, A2, A3) [use of multiple cell address]

Or =SUM (A1:A10, B1:B10) [use of cell range]

Or =SUM (10,5,4) [use of constant values]

# 2) AVERAGE ()

This function is used to calculate the average or mean of the series of numbers in a cell range. The syntax of using this function is:

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=AVERAGE (Argument1, Argument2 .....)
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Where AVERAGE is the name of function and arguments can be the cell reference, cell range or constants.

For example, =AVERAGE (A1: A10)

Or = AVERAGE (A1, A5, A10)

Or = AVERAGE (10,15,60,80)

# 3) MAX ()

This function is used to find the largest values in a series of numbers. The syntax of using this function is:

=MAX (Argument1, Argument2 .....)

Where MAX is the name of function and arguments can be the cell reference, cell range or constants.

For example, = MAX (A1: A10) will return the largest number value among the number stored in the range of A1 to A10.

= MAX (10,15,60,80) will return 80 being the largest among these four numbers.

### 4) MIN ()

This function is used to find the smallest values in a series of numbers. The syntax of using this function is:

=MIN (Argument1, Argument2 .....)

Where MIN is the name of function and arguments can be the cell reference, cell range or constants.

For example, = MIN (A1: A10) will return the smallest number value among the number stored in the range of A1 to A10.

= MIN (10,15,60,80) will return 10 being the smallest among these four numbers.

### 5) IF ()

This is a logical function which evaluates a logical expression for its truthness and returns a value among the two options. The syntax of using this function is:

=IF (Condition test, True\_value, False\_value)

In this, IF is the name of function and conditional test is the logical expression to be tested for its truthiness. True\_value is the value returned in case expression evaluates to TRUE and False\_value is the value returned if the condition stands False in the expression.

For example, = IF (A10>10, 1, 2)

In this statement, if the value in cell A10 will be less than or equal to 10 it will return 2 as a result where as if the value will be more than 10 the value returned will be 1.

# 6.6 MODIFYING WORKSHEETS WITH COLOR

#### Working with columns, rows, and cells

By default, every row and column of a new workbook is set to the same **height** and **width**. Excel allows you to modify column width and row height in different ways.

#### To modify column width:

1. Position your mouse over the column line in the column heading so the white cross

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becomes a **double arrow** 

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Click and drag the column to the right to increase column width or to the left to decrease column width.

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2. Release the mouse. The column width will be changed in your spreadsheet.



the cell content. Simply increase the column width to show the cell content.

#### To set column width with a specific measurement:

- 1. Select the columns you want to modify.
- 2. Click the Format command on the Home tab. The format drop-down menu appears.
- 3. Select Column Width.
- 4. The Column Width dialog box appears. Enter a specific measurement.

Click OK. The width of each selected column will be changed in your worksheet.

Select AutoFit Column Width from the format drop-down menu, and Excel will automatically adjust each selected column so all of the text will fit.

#### To modify row height:

Position your mouse over the row line so the white cross

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becomes a double arrow
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Click and drag the row downward to increase row height or upward to decrease height.

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Release the mouse. The height of each selected row will be changed in your worksheet.

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#### To set row height with a specific measurement:

1. Select the rows you want to modify.



Column Width

Column width:

OK

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Cancel

3. Select Row Height.

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- 4. The **Row Height** dialog box appears. Enter a specific measurement.
- 5. Click **OK**. The selected rows heights will be changed in your spreadsheet.

Select **AutoFit Row Height** from the format dropdown menu, and Excel will automatically adjust each selected row so all of the text will fit.

### MODIFYING WORKSHEETS WITH COLOR

Step 1: Select the row or column you want to change the color.

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1	Name	En	glish	Maths	Hindi				
2	Nidhi		78	99	73	Standard C	olors		
3	Lalit		78	90	84				
4	Geeta		68	98	78	No Fill			
5									
6						More C	olors		
7									

Step 2: Click on the fill color option

Step 3: Select the Theme color, you want to fill in the row or column.



# 6.7 ANALYZING DATA

This section illustrates the powerful features Excel has to offer to analyze data.

- 1) Sort: You can sort your Excel data on one column or multiple columns. You can sort in ascending or descending order.
- 2) Filter: Filter your Excel data if you only want to display records that meet certain criteria.
- 3) Conditional Formatting: Conditional formatting in Excel enables you to highlight cells with a certain color, depending on the cell's value.
- 4) Charts: A simple Excel chart can say more than a sheet full of numbers. As you'll see, creating charts is very easy.
- 5) Pivot Tables: Pivot tables are one of Excel's most powerful features. A pivot table allows you to extract the significance from a large, detailed data set.
- 6) Tables: Tables allow you to analyze your data in Excel quickly and easily.
- 7) What-If Analysis: What-If Analysis in Excel allows you to try out different values (scenarios) for formulas.
- 8) Solver: Excel includes a tool called solver that uses techniques from the operations research to find optimal solutions for all kind of decision problems.
- 9) Analysis ToolPak: The Analysis ToolPak is an Excel add-in program that provides data analysis tools for financial, statistical and engineering data analysis.

# 6.8 SORT AND FILTER DATA

Excel offers a variety of built-in tools for data management among which sorting and filtering features are the best one. The filter tool allows you to filter a column of data within a table to isolate the required key components. The sorting tools allow you to arrange data in ascending or descending order.

### **Sorting Data**

Sorting means to arrange data either in ascending or descending order.

To sort the data:

Step 1: Select the cells. For example, A2:F4

Step 2: Click on Data Tab on the ribbon

Step 3: From the Sort & Filter group, Click on Sort A to Z option to sort in ascending order or

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2	Geeta	68	98	78	98	89	
3	Nidhi	78	99	73	89	90	
4	Lalit	78	90	84	93	84	
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Sort Z to A option to sort in descending order.

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1	Name	English	Maths	Hindi	Science	S.St	
2	Nidhi	78	99	73	89	90	
3	Lalit	78	90	84	93	84	
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#### To sort data on basis of multiple columns:

Step 1: Select the range of cells that contains the data to be selected.

Step 2: On the Data Tab, in the Sort & Filter group, Click on Sort option. The sort dialog box appears.

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1	А	В	С	D	E	F	G
1	Name	English	Maths	Hindi	Science	S.St	
2	Geeta	68	98	78	98	89	
3	Lalit	78	90	84	93	84	
4	Nidhi	78	99	73	89	90	
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Step 3: Under Column, Click the Sort by down arrow and select a column from the list on which you want to sort the data.

Step 4: Under Order, Click the down arrow and select an option to specify the sort order-A to Z or Z to A, Smallest to Largest or Largest to Smallest, from the list.

1	A	B	С	D	E	F	G	
1	Name	English	Maths	Hindi	Science	S.St		
2	Geeta	68	98	78	9	8 89		
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Step 5: Click on Add Level button and repeat step 3 and 4 to add another column to sort the data on.

Step 6: Click on the OK button.

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2	Nidhi	78	99	73	89	90	
3	Lalit	78	90	84	93	84	
4	Geeta	68	98	78	98	89	
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Excel sorts the data on the basis of the first column and where the data values in the first column are same, on the basis of the second column.

### **Filtering Data**

Filtering is a process to extract the records from the worksheet that fulfil certain conditions. It temporarily hides the rows that you do want to see. Excel provides AutoFilter and Custom Filter to filter the data in a worksheet.

### AutoFilter

The AutoFilter is used to filter data on basis the specific values present in a column.

To filter the records:

Step 1: Select any cell in the range or select range of cells.

Step 2: Click Filter option in the Sort & Filter group on the Data tab

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Filter drop button will appear to the right side of each field name in the column headers row.

Step 3: Now, to filter the records with same data values in a particular field, click on the Filter drop button of that field name

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A list appears showing the values of that column. The option Select All is checked by default.

Step 4: Uncheck the Select All option and check only those values whose related records you want to see. For Example, choose value 89 in the science field to see the record of students who scored 89 marks in science.

Step 5: Click on OK button to filter and see the selective records.



### **Custom Filter**

You can also use Custom Filter to extract the records that meet a specific condition. For example, to display the records where the marks in Maths are less than 91.

Step 1: Select the range of data.

Step 2: Click on Filter option in the Sort & Filter group on the Data tab

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Step 3: Click on Filter drop button next to the column on which you want to apply the condition.

Step 4: From the drop list, select Number/Text Filters and click Custom Filter option from the submenu. The Custom AutoFilter dialog box will appear.

Step 5: Click on the condition drop button to choose required condition like equals, does not equal, is greater than, is less than, etc.

Step 6: Enter the value with which the condition is to be tested in the box next to it. You can



add another condition, if needed, by joining it with And or Or option.

Step 7: Click on OK button to get the filtered records

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### **Removing Filter**

You can remove the filter and see all the records again.

Step 1: Select any cell in the worksheet.

Step 2: Click on Filter option in the Sort & Filter group on the Data tab

The filter drop buttons will disappear from the worksheet and the hidden records will be displayed again in the worksheet.

# 6.9 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Excel 2010 is an electronic spreadsheet program. It is the spreadsheet component of Microsoft Office 2010 suite, which is one of the most widely used application software for data analysis
- Spreadsheet were originally developed for book keeping. They are also useful for scientific calculations, data manipulation and for producing graphs.
- Microsoft Excel include some statistical functions, but for serious research work a specialized package should be used.
- Excel can also sort and select data, however for large amounts of data or more complex task, a database program should be used instead.

# 6.10 GLOSSARY

- A cell is a box at the intersection of a row and column in a worksheet where data is stored.
- Columns are combination of all the vertical cells joined together in a single vertical line.

- Rows are combination of all the horizontal cells joined together in a single horizontal line.
- Workbook is a group of worksheets, which can be stored as a unit. A workbook is stored on the disk in the form of a file with extension .xls.
- Worksheet is the working area of MS-Excel. Each worksheet of a single workbook has its own identity and is separate from other worksheets.
- Workspace is the working area of MS-Excel where workbooks, worksheets and other related objects may be opened and manipulated.

# 6.11 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

#### Descriptive type questions-

- a) What are the components of Spreadsheet program?
- b) Define a Formula in Excel and also define types of formulas.
- c) Define all functions used in Excel?
- d) How can number be subtracted, multiplied, and divided in excel cells?
- e) Explain the SUM () function.
- f) What is sorting? How will you apply sorting to a range of cells?
- g) What is filter?
- h) How can we enter numerical value or formula as a label?
- i) What is the role of Auto filter option?
- j) Explain the use of IF () function with the help of an example.
- k) Differentiate between Formula and Function.

#### **Objective type questions-**

- a) Formula should always start with = sign. (True/False)
- b) Formula and Function give the same result. (True/False)
- c) Ranges cannot be used in formulas. (True/False)
- d) A function must be followed by opening and closing parenthesis. (True/False)
- e) The AutoFilter is used to filter data on basis the specific values present in a row. (True/False)
- f) Using sort function data can be stored either in ... ... and ... ... order.
- g) Sort A to Z option is used to sort the data in ... order.
- h) A formula always contains ... ... and ... ...
- i) The cell address in a formula is known as ......
- j) ..... function is used to calculate the sum.

### Answer (Objective Type Question)-

[a] True [b] True [c] False [d] True [e] False

[f] Ascending, Descending [g] Ascending [h]create, edit [i] cell reference [j]sum

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# INTRODUCTION TO MS POWER POINT-II

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# 7.1 INTRODUCTION

Presentation is a way of communication between the speaker and the audience. It helps to communicate the ideas for information on any topic to the masses. An effective presentation always leaves an everlasting effect in the minds of people, so it is very important to understand before creating any presentations that who are the target audience of that presentation? What should be the contents? How these are to be organised? And finally, what should be mode of presentation? A presentation can be in a written, oral or visual form. But a successful presentation is one which can bind the audience till the end by effectively communicating the core idea behind the presentation. Graphical components in a presentation like pictures, charts, motion clips, figures, diagram, etc, prove to be an excellent tool to convey the idea in an effective and interesting manner.
Earlier, there were limited tools available to deliver the presentation. The traditional tools like notes, drawn figures, images, still slides, etc., were used for this purpose. But now with the development of multimedia technology in the field of computers, the trends are totally changed. Today's presentations are supported by multiple modes of communication like text images, graphics, videos, audios, etc. Animation and sound effects not only just make the presentation effective and interesting, but also help the presenter to quickly design the presentations. Some popular presentation software are. Microsoft PowerPoint, Google Slides, Prezi, Corel presentations, Open office impress and Harvard graphics. We are going to learn the use of one such application for designing a computer-based multimedia presentation. The name of this application is Microsoft PowerPoint 2010.

# 7.2 **OBJECTIVES**

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Define MS PowerPoint Working
- Explore Table
- Define Charts and Graphs

## 7.3 WHAT IS POWERPOINT 2010

Microsoft PowerPoint 2010 is a presentation component of Microsoft Office 2010 suite which is used to design computer-based multimedia presentations. Presentation in PowerPoint is a collection of electronic slides containing information in the form of text, graphics, movie clips, sounds, etc. These slides are displayed in a sequential order one after the other at the time of presentations on the monitor or projection screen with all multimedia and animation effect in the form of a slide show.

PowerPoint is not just used for creating electronic presentations, but is also used for making handouts, speaker notes, etc. which are effective tools for any kind of presentations.

## Starting PowerPoint 2010

To start PowerPoint 2010:

Step 1: Click start button on the Taskbar.

Step 2: Select all programs

Step 3: Choose Microsoft Office option in the submenu

Step 4: Click Microsoft PowerPoint 2010 option

## 7.4 COMPONENTS OF THE POWERPOINT WINDOW

The various components of PowerPoint 2010 Windows are as follows.

**Quick access toolbar:** It is a customizable toolbar present on the left side of the titlebar used to quickly perform some of the commonly used functions like saving a file, undo, redo etc.

**Title bar:** It appears at the top of PowerPoint window which shows the name of presentations you are working with and has three control buttons on its right side to minimize, maximize and close the window.

**Ribbon:** This component is present just below the title bar. It has eight tabs in it wherein each tab is divided into the groups. The groups are the logical collection of PowerPoint command to perform various presentations related functions.

**Group:** Logical collection of commands together are referred as group. It changes with every tab. File tab show following groups: clipboard, slides, font, paragraph, drawing and editing.

Slide Pane: It is the actual work area where individual slides are created or modified.

**Notes Pane:** It is a small rectangular area under the slide pane which is used for making the speaker notes for the individual slides.

**Slide Tab:** It is present on the left side which shows miniature of each slide. Functions related to slide can be performed such as addition, deletion and rearranging slides from the slide tab.

**Outline Tab**: It is present on the left side which show the existing text present in the slide.

**Status Bar:** It is present at the bottom of the PowerPoint window. It displays the information about the current slide such a slide number, name of the theme, slide view and zoom percentage.

**Slide View:** It is present on the status bar at the bottom of the PowerPoint window having four views: Normal view, slide sorter view, slideshow view and reading view

# 7.5 CREATING PRESENTATIONS IN POWERPOINT

Microsoft PowerPoint 2010 offers different ways to create new presentation. You may choose any of these method as per your needs which are available under Available Templates and Themes. These are:

**Blank Presentation:** You can use this method to create customise presentations wherein you can add contents, format slide, apply effects of your own. This is the default way for creating presentations in PowerPoint.

Recent Templates: The templates which you have used recently are shown in this category.

**Sample Templates:** This is an easiest way to create presentations on some general topics. PowerPoint offers a set of readymade templates suggesting the contents and designyou're your presentation.

**Themes:** This option is useful when you want to use predesigned format for your presentation as the present background font style, etc are provided by PowerPoint

My Templates: In this, templates customised by you are saved and shown here which can be used later on

**New from Existing:** It allows you to use create or modify the new template using existing templates as a base

### **Common Terms Used in PowerPoint**

- > slide a single page in a presentation which may contain text image stars video etc
- presentation a group sequentially arrange
- slides slide deck a group of related slides

# 7.6 EDIT TEXT, FONT STYLE AND COLORS IN SLIDES

Communication is a vital part of our daily life. We can communicate our ideas in verbal or written form. Communication through text is effective in Presentation having graphics adds for clarity.

### Inserting Text in a Slide

Textbox command is used to create additional text placeholder on a slide, if needed

To insert a text box:

Step 1: Click on the insert tab

Step 2: Click on text box from the Text group.

Step 3: Drag the mouse pointer on the slide where you want to add the text. A text box will appear with a blinking cursor.

Enter the text as needed. The Text box expands automatically to the next line, if the enter text is more than the size of the text box.

## Editing Text in a Slide

The Text entered in a placeholder or text box can be modified easily.

Step 1: Click on the text placeholder to be modified. The cursor appears.

Step 2: Make changes as required and then click outside the placeholder.

## Changing the Text Box Background Colour

Step 1: Select the text box. When you insert a text box, a new Format tab appears.

Step 2: Click Shape Fill from the Drawing group and select the color of your choice. The select color will appear in the background of the text box.

## Changing the Text Box Outline

Step 1: Select the text box. When you insert a text box, a new Format tab appears.

Step 2: Click Shape Outline from the Drawing group and select the line color of your choice. You can use Weight option in it to change the line thickness. The select color will appear in the background of the text box.

## Copying the Text in a Slide

Step 1: Select the text to be copied.

Step 2: Click copy option in the Clipboard group on the Home tab.

Or

Press Ctrl + C keyboard Shortcut.

Step 3: Bring the cursor to the new location where text is to be pasted.

Step 4: Click paste option in the Clipboard group.

Or

Press Ctrl + V keyboard Shortcut.

The selected text will appear at the destination.

### Moving the Text in a Slide

Step 1: Select the text to be moved.

Step 2: Click Cut option in the Clipboard group on the Home tab.

Or

Press Ctrl + X keyboard Shortcut.

Step 3: Click to select the destination where text is to be moved.

Step 4: Click paste option in the Clipboard group.

Or

Press Ctrl + V keyboard Shortcut.

The selected text will move to at the new position.

## Formatting the Text in a Slide

Text entered in the slide using various placeholders appears as per the format set for these. PowerPoint offers wide variety of formatting features that can help you to change the default text formats as per the need of your presentation.

Using Font Group

Step 1: Select the placeholder that contains the text to be formatted.

Step 2: Use the commands in the Font Group to format the text on the slide.

Using Font Dialog Box

You can also use Font Dialog box to collectively modify the text formatting.

Step 1: Select the text to be formatted.

Step 2: Click launcher button available in the lower right corner of Font Group. A Font Dialog box will appear.

Step 3: Use the various text formatting and special effects option to change the default format.

### Aligning Text

Alignment refers to the placement of text within the placeholder. Text inside the placeholder can be aligned to left, right, center or justified like this:

Align Left: Aligns the text towards the left edge of the placeholder.

Align Right: Aligns the text towards the right edge of the placeholder.

Center: Aligns the text between left and right edge of the placeholder.

Justify: Aligns the text evenly between left and right edge of the placeholder.

Using Paragraph Group

Step 1: Select the text or the placeholder whose text has to be aligned.

Step 2: Click the required alignment option from the four options available on the paragraph group under the Home Tab.

Using Paragraph Dialog Box

Step 1: Select the text or the placeholder whose text has to be aligned.

Step 2: Click launcher button available in the lower right corner of Font Group.

Step 3: A paragraph dialog box will appear and select the alignment under the General section.

## **Text Direction**

This command is used to change the orientation of text in a placeholder. It has four options: Horizontal, Rotate all text  $90^{0}$ , Rotate all text  $270^{0}$ , and Stacked. The default text direction is Horizontal.

## Align text

This command is used to align the text between the top and bottom edge of a placeholder. The options are: Top, Middle, and Bottom.

# 7.7 WORKING WITH TABLES IN A PRESENTATION

In PowerPoint 2010, tables are useful tool for presenting and organising the data in tabular

form. A table is information arranged in horizontal rows and vertical columns. Tables are generally used to organised text on numerical data. When you first insert a table into a document, it appears as a simple grid with black gridlines defining the rows and columns. In PowerPoint, you can modify the appearance of table as per your choice. A welldesigned table conveys information in more meaningful way.

## Inserting Table

Let us learn how to insert a table in PowerPoint.

## Using Insert Tab

To insert a table:

Step 1: Click on the insert tab

Step 2: Click the table option from the table group. A drop-down menu will appear.

Step 3: Drag the mouse over the required number of boxes. A table with the selected number of rows and columns will be inserted.

## Using Layout



### To insert a table

Step 1: Click on the new slide dropdown Arrow under the home tab. Select the title and content Layout from the drop-down list

Step 2: Click on the insert table icon present on the slide. The insert table dialog box will appear.

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Step 3: You can define the number of rows and columns as per your requirements.

Step 4: Click on Ok button

A table will be displayed with defined number of rows and columns.

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Entering data in a table

To enter data in a table:

Step 1: Position the mouse pointer in the first cell of the table and typing whatever you want. If the data takes up more than one line in the cell, the text will automatically wrap to the next line. This increases the height of that cell and all the other cells available in that row.

Step 2: To move to the next insertion point, you can press the tab key on the keyboard or simply click on the desired cell.

Step 3: Type whatever you want in the next cell. Thus, we can enter data in the table using the tab key or Arrow key or Mouse

Student Name	Father's name	Roll Number	First Term marks	Second term Marks
Akash	Suresh Sharma	1	344	300
Dhruv	Brijesh Pathak	2	450	470
Rakhi	R.Srivastav	3	390	450

Step 4: Click anywhere outside the table when you have finished

## Inserting Rows and Columns in a Table

To insert new rows in a table:

Step 1: Locate the insertion point in a cell and right-click. A shortcut menu will appear.

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## **Deleting Rows and Columns in a Table**

Before you delete a row or a column, you should know that whatever you want to delete the content of the row or the contents and the structure of the row.

To delete a row or column from a Table:

Step 1: select the row column you wish to deletestep 2: under the layout tab, click on the delete option in the Rows and Column group.Step 3: Select the required option from the submenu.

### Formatting a Table

PowerPoint offers numerous predefined table styles that you can use to quickly format a table. If the predefined tables styles do not meet your requirements, you can create and apply a custom table style.

When you insert a table in a slide, a new tab appears known as Table Tools. This tab is divided into two sections such as Design and Layout tabs. You will find various tools and commands for formatting present on these tabs such as Borders, Shading, Table style, Border Color, Merge cells, Split cells, etc.

## Applying Table Styles

When you insert a table in a slide, a table style will be applied automatically. PowerPoint 2010 offers various predefined styles in the Table Style group on the Design tab under the Table Tools tab. To apply a table style:

Step 1: Select the table.

Step 2: Click on the design tab to access all the table styles and other options of this tab.

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Step 3: Hover the mouse over any table style to see its live preview on the slide.

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Step 4: Click on the more dropdown Arrow of the table styles group to view all the options.

Step 5: Click on the desired style to select it.

### **Applying Borders**

To apply a border:

Step 1: Select the cells on which you want to add a border.

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Step 2: Click on the Borders dropdown arrow in the table styles group on the design tab. Select the desired border type from the drop-down menu.

Step 3: Selected border will be applied to the selected cells.

### **Applying Border Color**

To change border color of a table:

Step 1: Select the table. Click on the Pen Color option from the Draw Borders group in the design tab.

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Step 2: Choose the required color from the color palette. You will see that mouse pointer changes to a pencil shape.

Step 3: Click on the left mouse button on the border whose color you want to change or simply drag the mouse into the cell border and release the button. The line color will be changed.

## Applying Border Style

A tool named as Pen style is used to change the line style of a table.

To changing the line style of a table:

Step 1: Select the table.

Step 2: Under the table tool tab, click on the pen style list box which is present on the design tab.

Step 3: A drop down mouse appears. Select the required style from the drop-down menu. Step 4: Position the mouse pointer on any border of the table and click on it.

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## **Applying Shading**

You can change the appearance of a table by adding shades. for example, if a table contains many rows and columns, you might shade alternate rows to help readers distinguish them from one another. To change table shading follow the given steps:

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Step 1: Select the table and click on the design tab

Step 2: Select the rows and columns that you want to modify.

Step 3: In the table style group, click on the shading option and select any color of your choice.

# 7.8 INSERTING CHARTS IN A PRESENTATION

A chart is the graphical representation of data in which data is represented by symbols such as bars, lines, etc. It is an effective way of visualize data to the audience. In general, charts are widely used for, understanding large quantities of data and the relationships between parts of the data. There are many types of chart in PowerPoint 2010. Each chart has its own advantage. for example, a pie chart is used to show the percentage value data and line chart is used to show the trend of data over a period of time in effective way.

## **Inserting Chart**

There are two main ways to insert chart in a presentation.

## Using Insert Tab

To create a simple chart Step 1: Click on the insert tab.



Step 2: In the illustration group, click on the chart option

Step 3: The insert chart dialog box appears. Select the desired chart type from the left pane and the wide range of selected chart type will be appeared in the right pane.

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Step 4: After selection, click on Ok button.

The chart will be displayed in a slide.

## Using Layout

To insert a chart:

Step 1: Open a new file in the PowerPoint

- Step 2: Click on Home tab
- Step 3: Click on the Layout option from the slides group and change the layout of the file.
- Step 4: Select the title and content

Step 5: Click on the insert chart icon in the content placeholder.

Step 6: The insert chart dialog box appears. Select the chart type from the left pane and the wide range of the selected chart type will be appeased in the right pane.

Step 7: Click on Ok button.

An Excel window will open with the placeholder for your data.

## Modifying a Chart

In PowerPoint 2010, there are many ways for customising and organising chart. You can change the appearance of chart by changing the text, line, font color, background, chart style etc. On inserting a chart, a new tab appears named as Chart Tools. This tab is divided into three sections. Design, Layout and format which contains various option that allows you to modify and format the chart as desired.

## Changing the Chart Type

You can change the chart type as needed

To change the chart type:

Step 1: Select the chart. Click on the design tab under the chart tools.

Step 2: Click on the change data type option in the type group. The change chart type dialog box will appear.

Step 3: Select any chart type and click on Ok button. The chart will change accordingly.

Or

Step 1: Select the chart where you want to change layout.

Step 2: In the chart layout group under the design tab, click on the more dropdown arrow to see all the available chart layout options.

Step 3: Select desired chart layout.

## **Changing Chart Style**

You can quickly modify the appearance of the chart by changing its style. Quick style for lines includes line styles, gradients, various effects and Shadow.

To change the chart style:

Step 1: Select the chart whose layout you want to change.

Step 2: Click the more dropdown arrow in the chart styles group under the design tab

Step 3: Select any style from the list that appears.

The chart will be displayed as per your selection.

## **Changing Background**

You can modify a chart by changing its background.

To change the background:

Step 1: Select the chart whose background you want to change.

Step 2: Click on the plot area and select the format plot area option from the shortcut menu

Step 3: The format plot area dialog box will appear. You can select border-style, border color, shadow effect as per your requirement.

Step 4: Click on the close button and observe the change.

### Editing Data

Apart from that, the chart you are obtain on the slide has some fixed data in it. If you want a chart with your own set of data, follow the given steps:

Step 1: A datasheet will open up.

Step 2: Right click on the chart and click on the edit data option from the shortcut menu. A datasheet will open up containing the default data for charts.

Step 3: Modify the data of this seat to any data you want.

Every time you press Enter key on the datasheet the chart get refreshed and the newly entered data takes effect.

# 7.9 TIPS TO CREATE PROFESSIONAL SLIDE FOR PRESENTATION

- **Remember to avoid too much text.** You should keep your text brief and include talking points only. Detailed notes can be inserted into the notes section of PowerPoint, but only you should see those notes, unless a professor asks to see your notes to evaluate your PowerPoint as an assignment.
- Be consistent and clear with your font choices. Helvetica is a nice font for presentations. Make sure your font is large enough that an audience in a room would be able to see your text, even if audience members are sitting in the back of the room.

- **Be careful with your color choices for text and background.** You want to make sure your audience can read your text easily. Black on white text is easiest to read but is also boring for a presentation. Still, when you add color, just be sure you are adding color that works and doesn't distract.
- Add images. Text on slides for every slide is boring. Add appropriate images to your slides. Relevant charts and graphs are excellent, as are pictures that will connect to your content.
- Make sure your main points are clear. Remember to connect your ideas well and provide background information and transitions when necessary.
- **Keep your audience in mind.** Your audience will affect the overall tone and appearance of your presentation. Sometimes, humor can be appropriate. Other times, a more serious tone may be necessary. Just as you evaluate your situation any time you write a paper, you should evaluate your situation for creating a PowerPoint presentation.

# 7.10 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Microsoft PowerPoint is widely used for making professional quality presentations in a variety of formats, including tables, charts. You can also use it for notes and class presentations.
- PowerPoint can be used as a drawing package for preparing pictures, forms, posters, and leaflets. Presentation is a powerful managerial tool of communication through which you can compile and deliver your ideas, concepts, plans or products to the audience in a structured, effective and impressive manner.
- Slides and transparencies are used to be projected in front of the audience using overhead projector or otherwise. The operation of this equipment was mainly manual, semi-automated at the best. This approach had obvious limitations. Computer have now replaced the traditional method of presentation entirely.

# 7.11 GLOSSARY

- Title bar is the top section of the window. It shows the name of the file followed by the name of the program which in this case is Microsoft PowerPoint.
- Slide area is the area where the actual side is created and edited. You can add, edit and delete text, images, shapes and multimedia in this section.
- The Quick Access Toolbar is located just under the ribbon. This toolbar offers a convenient place to group the most commonly used commands in PowerPoint.

- Blank Presentation is used to create customise presentations wherein you can add contents, format slide, apply effects of your own. This is the default way for creating presentations in PowerPoint.
- Themes is useful when you want to use predesigned format for your presentation as the present background font style, etc are provided by PowerPoint
- Ribbon component is present just below the title bar. It has eight tabs in it wherein each tab is divided into the groups. The groups are the logical collection of PowerPoint command to perform various presentations related functions.
- A table is information arranged in horizontal rows and vertical columns. Tables are generally used to organised text on numerical data.
- A chart is the graphical representation of data in which data is represented by symbols such as bars, lines, etc. It is an effective way of visualize data to the audience.

# 7.12 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

### **Descriptive type questions-**

- a) What is a slide? How many tabs are there in the Microsoft PowerPoint?
- b) List the key points to be kept in mind while making a Microsoft PowerPoint.
- c) How do we change font, size and its color?
- d) What is alignment? What are the types of alignment?
- e) What features are used to modify text?
- f) What is Table? What are the advantages of table in a document?
- g) How will you insert a table in a slide?
- h) Write a short note on 'Formatting a Table'.
- i) How will you change the chart type?
- j) What are the steeps you should follow to change the background of a chart?

### **Objective Type Questions-**

- a) Chart represent data in linear form. (True/False)
- b) Chart tools tab is divided into one section. (True/False)
- c) Textbox command is used to create additional text placeholder on a slide. (True/False)
- d) Tables are generally used to organised text on numerical data. (True/False)
- e) A pie chart is used to show the trend of data over a period of time in effective way. (True/False)
- f) Clipart is a collection of presentation files. (True/False)
- g) A table is information arranged in ..... rows and ..... columns.
- h) Shading option is available in the ..... group.
- i) ..... option is used to change the border color of rows or columns.

- j) To change the background, click on ..... tab.
- k) A ..... chart is used to show the percentage value data.
- 1) Picture option is in ..... option.

### Answer (Objective Type Question)-

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# UNIT-8

# FUNDAMENTALS OF INTERNET- II

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# 8.1 INTRODUCTION

The role of Internet in education is of prime importance. The internet-based services in teaching-learning are the essential tools of all of us. Such services are the need of modern era/ automation which makes our task efficiently in terms of time, effort, cost and quality of service. Internet oriented services in education helps to reduce the movement of hard copy papers within an organization and integrate various, seemingly unrelated, activities within an organization. The aspirants/user can access learning applications, and the office applications/services using Internet. Several benefits of such tools are envisioned due to the easy access of Internet, such as- Searching files, quick information flow, availability of online learning material, enhance transparency, increase accountability, etc.

## 8.2 **OBJECTIVES**

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Understand the role of Google applications in teaching-learning.
- Know about advanced tools on Google like Docs, Sheets, and Slides etc.
- Best practices of using Google Drive tools and applications.

# 8.3 GOOGLE SHEETS- AN OVERVIEW

Google Sheets is a web-based spreadsheet application that allows you to store and organize different types of information, much like Microsoft (MS) Excel. Howerever Google Sheets does not offer all the advanced features of MS Excel. It is easy to create and edit spreadsheets online with a variety of tasks ranging from the simple to the complex. Basically, spreadsheets are used by to process complicated numbers and data, they can actually be used for a variety of everyday tasks, such as- data storage in tabular form, budget planning, creating an invoice or just about anything else you can think of. Spreadsheets are a great way to organize and process information.

Google Sheets is a web-based spreadsheet that you can use anywhere with Internet connection. It works from any device, with mobile apps for iOS and Android along with its web-based core app. Google Sheets is free, and it's bundled with Google Drive, Docs, and Slides to share files, documents, and presentations online anywhere. It includes almost all of the same spreadsheet functions. If you know how to use MS Excel, you will feel at home in Google Sheets. For advanced features you can download add-ons, create your own, and write custom code.

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Figure 8.1 Google Sheet home

# 8.4 STEPS TO USE GOOGLE SHEETS

## Create or import files to Google Sheets-

Choose any option from the below to create a new file, as- (i) type "http://spreadsheet.google.com" into browser's address bar; (ii) either click on the spread sheet icon (refer to the figure 8.2)



Figure 8.2 Open Google Spread Sheet Using Icon

### Create new file-

After opening Google sheet, you can create a new file; and also can select several templates, as- to-do-list, annual budget, and monthly budget (refer to figure 8.3).

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Figure 8.3 Create new file

### Import and convert existing files in to google sheet

If you have existing files, you can import and convert them to google sheets. Following are the steps to import a file. as-

Step 1- Go to Google Drive.

Step 2- Click on new and then File Upload.

Step 3- Choose the file you want to import from your computer to add it to Google Drive.

Step 4- In the Upload complete window, click the show file location.

Step 5- Right-click the file and select Open with Google Docs (Sheets).

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### Figure 8.4 Google Sheet Interface (home)

You can do the following tasks on the google sheets (only few are listed here)-

- Access stored Google Drive files offline.
- Get instant insights into your data
- Insert and edit and summarize your data with charts.

- Filter your data in a spreadsheet.
- Protect content in a spreadsheet
- Share links of your file to others.
- Transfer ownership of a file.

# 8.5 GOOGLE DOCS- AN OVERVIEW

Google Docs is a free Web-based application which offers word processing, spreadsheets, presentations, forms, and drawings. Google Docs facilitates to create, edit and store docements (files) online. Docements can be accessed from any computer with an Internet connection and a full-featured Web browser.

Users of Google Docs can import, create, edit and update documents and spreadsheets in various fonts and file formats, combining text with formulas, lists, tables and images. Google Docs is compatible with most presentation software and word processor applications. Work can be published as a Web page or as a print-ready manuscript. Users can control who sees their work.

Google Docs provides an easy-to-use, integrated way for teachers and students to work together on projects, reports, and more, and to collect and share information in a secure online environment. Some of the advantages of using Google Docs include: (i) Anytime, anywhere access (ii) Collaboration support (iii) Autosave and revision history; and many more.

# 8.6 STEPS TO USE GOOGLE DOCS

### **Step 1: Setting Google Account**

For using Google Docs you have to setup a Google account (if you does not have one). It is free to signup a Google Account, and with it you can access GMAIL, Maps, Youtube, as well as GDrive.

To create a Google Account you can use (http://docs.google.com) this link. You will get the screen as shown in Figure 8.5

Enter your information and follow the suggestion. After creating the Google Account login and get access to google Drive screen.

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Figure 8.5 Google Account Interface (home)

#### **Step 2: Starting Google Docs**

There are a different ways to get to Google Docs, contingent upon your gadget. You can download the application from the App Store or Google Play, or click on the Google Apps symbol in the upper-right corner of the Google landing page. You should then tap the Docs button — you might need to look down inside the menu that pops-up or click More From Google in that equivalent pop- up menu to see it.

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Watch the 2020 Presidential Debate. Tonight on YouTube at 9pm ET	Jamboard	Classroom	Collections

Figure 8.6 Google Docs Launching Dashboard

#### **Step 3: Creating a New Document**

To make a new document,

- Click the blank page with the multicolored Addition sign inside it, which is located on the upper-left side of the main Google Docs page.
- After that a blank page icon with the multicolored addition sign will pop up again at the top of your screen. Click on that to open a new document.



Figure 8.7 Creating a new document

### Step 4: Working on a new document

Once you've created a document, you can work on it.

- Click Untitled Document in the upper-left corner to add a title to your document.
- You can also adjust the font type, text size, and much more via the Toolbar at the top of the page. If those options are hidden, click the downward-facing Arrow in the upper-right corner to display them.
- Any changes made to your file will be saved automatically to the Google cloud platform. And you can access that file from any of your devices that has an internet connection.
- If you look to the right of your document's title at the top of the screen, you should either see Saving... or Saved to Drive. Wait for the second message to appear before exiting out to ensure all your work has been saved.
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Figure 8.8 New document in Google Docs

# 8.7 GOOGLE SLIDES- AN OVERVIEW

Google Slides is a free program that is important for Google's set-up of electronic applications, including Google Docs (word preparing), Sheets (bookkeeping pages), Slides (introductions) and Forms (gathering and putting together data). What's especially amazing about Google Slides is that you can make, alter, work together and present consistently across working frameworks and without potential document similarity or debasement issues, overseeing streak drives or sorting out connector links. Utilizing an online program likewise takes out the danger of moving an infection.

It is likewise genuinely simple to move a show from PowerPoint to Google Slides and back once more, however you might lose some designing simultaneously. In the event that you do move a show, page through to ensure the slides actually look the manner in which you need them to. In case you are utilized to PowerPoint and end up expecting to utilize Google Slides (or the other way around), dread not! The orders and techniques are quite comparative among them, and in the event that you stall out, there are heaps of acceptable online assets to address your inquiries.

To feature a couple of key components and advantages:

- Widespread access, from your telephone, tablet or PC
- Backing for both Android and iPhone/iPad (Google Slides applications)
- Offer your show with choices for to limit/empower seeing, remarking and altering

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# 8.8 STEPS TO USE GOOGLE SLIDES

### **Step 1 – Create a new presentation in Google Slides**

- Login into your Google Account, head to Google Drive.
- There, make a Google show by clicking **New > Google Slides > Blank Presentation**.
- You'll be diverted to another page with a blank page(presentation)

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Figure 8.9 Creating new presentation in Google Slides

### **Step 2 – Creating new Slide**

- If you are on the slides page, select an option from the top of the page to create a new slide.
- You can press the white square with a plus sign for a blank slide, or click one of the templates.
- Click on the Template Gallery option, where more templates will show up.



Figure 8.10 Adding new Slides

- Delete slides by selecting the slide and clicking *Edit* > *Delete*.
- Or right-click on the slide thumbnail in the sidebar and clicking Delete slide.
- Or simply press the Delete key while the slide is selected.

### Step 3 – Formatting a Google Slides Presentation

The initial phase in making presentation is arranging what it looks like. In this way, we should investigate the Themes sidebar that shows up after opening a new slide.

Google Slides comes preloaded with various themes for slides.

The Themes sidebar shows up on the right half of your new slide. Utilize that bar to travel through the different themes accessible.



Figure 8.11 Formatting in Google Slides

### What are the things that we can do using Google Slides?

- Create and Present a Professional Presentation: Google Slides is the most ideal decision for writing and putting across a presentation expertly. Alternatives accessible with the moderator incorporate speaker notes and the choice by which one can set up Q&A adjusts during the show.
- Share a Presentation Online: Google Slides can likewise be utilized to make a slideshow show that can run consequently on the web at whatever point somebody attempts to utilize it. Utilizing Google Slides, one can make a shareable connection to the show so it very well may be utilized in online media. One can likewise make codes that would permit one to insert their show into their own sites.
- **Create a Timeline:** One can make a timeline with Google Slides with the use of drawing tools. However, if one selects the correct Google Slides Template, making one's timeline presentation would be an easy task.
- Work as a Team: Google Slides very much like some other office usefulness apparatus that G Suite offers has distinctive sharing choices like can alter, can see, can remark access. This permits clients to adjust the substance of the presentation continuously cooperation differently or prevent them from doing as such if the show maker doesn't need others to affect the archive with a particular goal in mind.

## 8.9 GOOGLE DRIVE- AN OVERVIEW

Google Drive is a cloud-based capacity arrangement that permits you to save records on the web and access them anyplace from any cell phone, tablet, or PC. You can utilize Drive on your PC or cell phone to safely transfer records and alter them on the web. Drive likewise makes it simple for others to alter and team up on records.

Google Drive also gives you access to free web-based applications for creating documents, spreadsheets, presentations, and more.

### Why use Google Drive?

Google Drive is perhaps the most well known cloud storage administrations accessible today. On the off chance that you've never utilized a cloud-based capacity administration like Google Drive previously, pause for a minute to consider the upsides of keeping your documents on the web. Since records can be gotten to from any PC with an Internet association, Drive takes out the need to email or save a document to a USB drive. Furthermore, in light of the fact that Drive permits you to share records, working with others turns out to be a lot simpler.

# 8.10 STEPS TO USE GOOGLE DRIVE

For using Google Drive you have to login to your Google Account. (Google Account setup has been discussed earlier in this UNIT).

Once you login to your google account you can use Google Drive option.

Google Drive doesn't simply store your records; it additionally permits you to make, share, and oversee reports with its own efficiency applications. In the event that you've at any point utilized a suite like Microsoft Office, a few things about Google Drive's applications may appear to be natural. For example, the sorts of documents you can work with are like records that can be made with different Microsoft Office programs.

### Below are the types of files you can create and share on Google Drive:

- Documents: For composing letters, flyers, essays, and other text-based files (similar to Microsoft Word documents)
- ESpreadsheets: For storing and organizing information (similar to Microsoft Excel workbooks)
- Presentations: For creating slideshows (similar to Microsoft PowerPoint presentations)
- E Forms: For collecting and organizing data
- Carabian Drawings: For creating simple vector graphics or diagrams

### Accessing Google Drive

- Whenever you've set up your Google account, you can get to Google Drive by going to http://drive.google.com in your internet browser.
- 2. You can also navigate to Google Drive from any Google page (such as Gmail or Google search) by selecting the grid icon near the top-right corner, then clicking Drive.



Figure 8.12 GDRIVE Link in Google Account

### **Interface of Google Drive**

Your Google Drive might be vacant at the present time, yet as you transfer and make records you'll have to realize how to see, oversee, and sort out them in the interface.

You can use different facilities under GDrive by using (+New) option under Drive logo in left side.

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### Figure 8.13 GDRIVE Interface

# 8.11 BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO DISCUSSION FORUM, BLOGS AND NEWSGROUPS

#### **Discussion Forum**

A discussion forum is a website where people can gather to have discussions about a specific topic. Electronic message boards for asynchronous communication, also commonly referred to as Web forums, message boards, discussion boards, discussion groups and bulletin boards. A program which permits individuals to have conversations on the web. The conversation is begun by one part by posting a subject and different individuals answer. This permits individuals from similar gathering to share data and thoughts.

It's common for websites to add a discussion forum to their website for people to discuss the product, service, or organization and even help each other. It reduces customer support requests, is great for search engine optimization, and creates a sense of community.

Discussion Forums are maybe the most punctual type of web-based media stage. Early adopters of Internet innovation might review news gatherings or particular vested parties (SIGs) that were facilitated on the early sites and frameworks associated with the Internet. These people group were established in specialized points however in the long run extended to cover pretty much any classification that could draw in a group of people. These stages developed and are currently facilitated on purchaser situated informal communication destinations.

Some of them are –

• Reddit

- Stack Overflow
- Quora
- Yahoo Groups
- Google Answers

### Blogs

A blog is a sort of site that is refreshed routinely with new substance. Most sites contain short, casual articles called blog entries. These posts ordinarily contain a blend of text, photographs, recordings, and different media. At its center, a blog is only a space on the Web that you can make to record and state your viewpoints, encounters, and interests. A larger part of websites are composed by one individual. Thus, the normal blog is genuinely close to home, mirroring the interests and character of the individual who composes it. This is the sort of blog we'll zero in on in this instructional exercise.

Individuals who compose blogs are called bloggers. From what you hear on the news, you may think bloggers are each of the a particular kind of individuals—youthful, politically slanted, and educated. Or on the other hand possibly you've caught wind of bloggers who've expounded on stunning encounters or yearning projects, then, at that point transformed their web journals into smash hit books. While a few bloggers do fit these portrayals, a greater part of bloggers don't. Indeed, there's no "normal" blogger—web journals are composed by individuals, all things considered, and foundations and from varying backgrounds.

There are many reasons why people blog, like:

- To share your experiences and expertise
- To speak up about an issue you care about
- To become more involved with hobbies and passions
- To be part of a community
- To advance your career or start a career in writing
- To keep family and friends updated about your life

Another explanation a few group blog is to bring in money. Individuals bring in cash from their web journals by facilitating promotions, selling items, or distributing their blog entries as a book or printed articles.

Some of the common features that a typical blog will include:

- Header with the menu or navigation bar.
- Main content area with highlighted or latest blog posts.
- Sidebar with social profiles, favorite content, or call-to-action.
- Footer with relevant links like a disclaimer, privacy policy, contact page, etc.

### NewsGroups

A newsgroup is a storehouse of electronic messages posted by clients and oversaw by the Usenet framework. This is an overall Internet conversation framework that is isolated from the World Wide Web. Usenet was set up in 1980, somewhat more than 10 years before the making of the World Wide Web. Newsgroups on Usenet were one of the main chances for general PC clients to share and post data on the arising Internet.

Members in a newsgroup read and post messages to at least one classes. Usenet was made in when the transfer speed of the Internet was exceptionally restricted, and newsgroups were intended to be text as it were. All the more as of late, clients had the option to join pictures and different records to postings, yet as a rule, newsgroups stay intensely text-based.

The protocol utilized by newsgroups is called Network News Transfer Protocol, or NNTP. This is one of the numerous correspondence conventions utilized on the Internet, which additionally incorporates the more notable HTTP convention utilized by the World Wide Web. The name of a newsgroup is dictated by the individuals who make it. A name normally comprises of a few words that portray the subject, isolated by a dot.

Some of the examples are-

- news.admin.net-abuse.email
- rec.arts.sf.tv.babylon5.moderated
- talk.origins

Newsgroups are dissimilar from other communication methods that use the World Wide Web in a number of ways:

- No registration with a particular newsgroup is required
- Stored information is distributed on a collection of computers instead of a central server
- Archives are always available
- Newsreader software is commonly used to read and post messages

## 8.12 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- E-Office Suite is the need of modern office automation which makes our task efficiently in terms of time, effort, cost and quality of service.
- Google Docs facilitates to create, edit and store docements (files) online. Docements can be accessed from any computer with an Internet connection and a full-featured Web browser.
- Google Drive is a cloud-based capacity arrangement that permits you to save records on the web and access them anyplace from any cell phone, tablet, or PC
- Google Sheets is a web-based spreadsheet application that allows you to store and organize different types of information, much like Microsoft (MS) Excel.

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- A blog is a sort of site that is refreshed routinely with new substance. Most sites contain short, casual articles called blog entries.
- A discussion forum is a website where people can gather to have discussions about a specific topic.

# 8.13 GLOSSARY

- Add Fonts When you create a new document, Google Docs starts you off with nearly two dozen native fonts you can choose from using the dropdown list on your top editing toolbar.
- Templates A template is a pre-created document that already has some formatting
- Create or Remove Header Headers and footers are particularly useful when creating a Google Doc that has many pages. You can create a header that includes the document title, each page number, or both on every page all at once.
- Classroom Classroom is where your child can find their assignments, grades and feedback, and communicate directly with their teacher
- Forms Forms are often used by teachers for creating quizzes, parent feedback surveys, or even field trip forms.
- Drive Drive is your child's virtual backpack, where they can hold all of their assignments, projects, and notes online

# 8.14 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

### **Descriptive Type Questions-**

- 1) How to get Google Account?
- 2) What are the different software tools available in Google Drive? Explain.
- 3) What are Google Docs?
- 4) What is a blogger? Explain.
- 5) Write the steps to use Google Slides?

### **Objective Type Questions-**

- a) If you already have a Google account, you can use the same account to access Google Docs. (True/False)
- b) You can insert automatic page numbers for your document in the header or footer. (True/False)
- c) Google Docs do not allow you to insert or upload images. (True/False)
- d) A Google doc is most similar to.....
- e) Inserting a header at the top of a page will make it appear on.....

### Answer (Objective Type Question)-

[a] True [b] True

[c] False [d] Microsoft Word [e] Every page

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# UNIT-9

# LAYERED ARCHITECTURE OF INTERNET AND PROTOCOLS- II

### 9.1 INTRODUCTION

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# 9.1 INTRODUCTION

A computer network must provide general, cost-effective, fair, and robust connectivity among a large number of computers. As if this weren't enough, networks do not remain fixed at any single point in time but must evolve to accommodate changes in both the underlying technologies upon which they are based as well as changes in the demands placed on them by application programs. Furthermore, networks must be manageable by humans of varying levels of skill. Designing a network to meet these requirements is not a small task. To help deal with this complexity, network designers have developed general blueprints, usually called network architectures. The network architecture guides to the design and implementation of networks. [1]

In case of network systems layering approach is followed where start with the services offered by the underlying hardware and then add a sequence of layers, each providing a higher (more abstract) level of service. The services provided at the upper layers are implemented in terms of the services provided by the low layers. [1]

The International Standard Organization (ISO) was one of the first organization to formally define a common way to connect computers. Their architecture, called the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) architecture which defines a partitioning of network functionality into seven layers, where one or more protocols implement the functionality assigned to a given layer. It is often referred to as the 7-layer model or OSI model by ISO. [1]

	Sender- A
Layer 7	Application Layer
Layer 6	Presentation Layer
Layer 5	Session Layer
Layer 4	Transport Layer
Layer 3	Network Layer
Layer 2	Data Link Layer
Layer 1	Physical Layer

### Figure 9.1 The OSI Model

The physical layer handles the transmission of raw bits over a communications link. The data link layer then collects a stream of bits into a larger aggregate called a frame. Network adaptors, along with device drivers running in the node's (computer) operating system, typically implement the data link level. This means that frames, not raw bits, are actually delivered to hosts. The network layer handles routing among nodes within a packet-switched network. At this layer, the unit of data exchanged among nodes is typically called a packet rather than a frame, although they are fundamentally the same thing. The lower three layers (Physical, Data link, and Network layer) are implemented on all network nodes, including switches within the network and hosts connected to the exterior of the network. The transport layer then implements what we have up to this point been calling a process-to-process channel. Here, the unit of data exchanged is commonly called a message rather than a packet or a frame. The

transport layer and higher layers typically run only on the end hosts and not on the intermediate switches or routers. [1]

There is less agreement about the definition of the top three layers. Application layer protocols include things like the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), which is the basis of the World Wide Web (www) and is what enables web browsers to request pages from web servers. Below that, the presentation layer is concerned with the format of data exchanged between peers. Finally, the session layer provides a name space that is used to tie together the potentially different transport streams that are part of a single application. For example, it might manage an audio stream and a video stream that are being combined in a teleconferencing application.[1]

# 9.2 **OBJECTIVES**

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Define IP addressing scheme and Internet governance.
- Understand the role of IPv4 in networking.
- Explore the popular protocols, i. e. FTP, HTTP, SMTP, HTTPS, TCP/IP.

# 9.3 IP ADDRESSING SYSTEM

An IP (Internet Protocol) address is a label which is used to identify one or more devices on a computer network, such as the internet. It can be compared to a postal address. An IP address can be presented using binary number system or dotted decimal notation. IP addresses are usually written as a set of numbers (dotted decimal notation) in a given order. Devices using IP addresses use the internet protocol to communicate. The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) assigns IP addresses to regional internet registries (RIRs). The RIRs assign them to Internet Service Providers (ISP). Internet Service Providers then assign IP addresses to their customers. All internet connecting devices necessarily have an IP address. Each IP address has two parts: One that specifies the computer or group of computers, and another which specifies the network. Certain types of addresses are unique, others can be re-used. A number of IP addresses are used for special purposes (called reserved addresses). [2]

IP addresses allow network resources to be reached through a network interface. If one computer wants to communicate with another computer, it can address the information to the remote computer's IP address. Assuming that the two computers are on the same network, or that the different computers and devices in between can translate requests across networks, the computers should be able to reach each other and send information. Each IP address must be unique on its own network. Networks can be isolated from one another, and they can be bridged and translated to provide access between distinct networks. A system called Network Address Translation (NAT), allows the addresses to be rewritten when packets traverse network borders to allow them to continue on to their correct destination. This allows the same IP address to be
used on multiple, isolated networks while still allowing these to communicate with each other if configured correctly. [3]

# 9.4 OVERVIEW OF IPv4 AND IPv6

The Internet is a network of networks. The connection points between networks are called routers, networking devices that route data traffic between sub-networks on the Internet. Every device on the Internet has a unique Internet Protocol (IP) address, like a postal or e-mail address. The Internet Protocol specifies how a router handles a request for a different IP address.

## IPv4 (Internet Protocol Version 4)-

Each of the four numbers in a typical IP address today is an eight-bit or 1 byte with a decimal value between 0 and 255. A 32-bit (4 byte) IPv4 address is big enough to support  $2^{32}$  (4,29,49,67,296) unique IP addresses. An IPv4 address can be expressed by the-

Dotted-decimal notation (Example- 172.16.254.1)

Binary notation (Example-10101100 00010000 11111110 00000001)

## The IPv4 address distribution-

Classful distribution

Classless distribution

IP addresses are typically made of two separate components. The first part of the address is used to identify the network address, the part that comes afterwards is used to specify a specific host within the network. As per classful address distribution, IPv4 addresses are divided into five different classes, As-

Class A (ranges 0.0.0.0 to 127.255.255.255) Class B (ranges 128.0.0.0 to 191.255.255.255) Class C (ranges 192.0.0.0 to 223.255.255.255) Class D (ranges 224.0.0.0 to 239.255.255.255) Class E (ranges 240.0.0.0 and 255.255.255.255)

## IPv6 (Internet Protocol Version 6)-

An IPv6 addresses are generally expressed in hexadecimal form because of larger length. For example- 2001:0DB8:AC10:FE01:0000:0000:0000

The new IPv6 addresses are 128 bits wide (16 bytes), which is enough to support  $2^{128}$  unique IP addresses.

# 9.5 INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER (ISP)

Internet Service Providers (ISPs) are companies that provide various Internet services to interested customers. ISPs provide Internet connectivity to homes and workplaces on a contractual basis. The beneficiary (either an individual person or an organization) pays a fee for the services. Usually, ISPs provide either business or individual Internet access. [4,5]

ISPs support various forms of Internet access, such as traditional modem dial-up up, DSL (Digital subscriber Line), cable modem broadband services, fiber and dedicated lines. In the past, some of the best ISP services were DSL and dial-up services. In the case of DSL, if the beneficiary was looking for more speed and a better Internet connection, then the DSL accounts would have been a great alternative a few years ago. As compared to the dial-up, DSL does not use the home phone line so that the telephone can be used anytime without presenting a conflict for the user. [4,5]

There are many different Internet Service Providers, some of the most popular include BSNL, MTNL, Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel, Idea Cellular, etc. When you choose an ISP, there are many factors to take into consideration. Some of those factors include price, type of internet connection you want, speed, customer support, types of devices you use, and cancelation policies. [4,5]

## **Types of Internet Connections**

- Dial-up connection- 'Dial-up' connection is also known as level two connection. This provides connection to Internet through a dial-up terminal connection. The computer, which provides Internet access is known as 'Host' and the computer that receives the access, is called 'Client' or 'Terminal'. The client computer uses modem to access a "host" and acts as if it is a terminal directly connected to that host. 56 Kbps (Kilo Byte Per Second) modem access is widely available and supported by most ISPs. So, this type of connection is also known as low speed or 'Remote Modem Access' connection. [6]
- Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN)- ISDN offers Internet connectivity at speeds of up to 128 Kbps through the use of digital phone lines. ISDN is a dial-up service that has been provided by telephone companies for many years.
- Leased connection- It is also known as direct Internet access or Level Three connection. It is the secure, dedicated and most expensive, level of Internet connection. With leased connection, your computer is dedicatedly and directly connected to the Internet using highspeed transmission lines.
- Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)- It is another technology being used for Internet access. DSL connects your home or office to the Internet through the same telephone wire that comes from the telephone pole on the street. Like ISDN, with DSL, user can make and receive telephone calls while connected simultaneously to the Internet. However, DSL service is limited in the distance that you can be from the provider's point of presence (POP).

- Cable Modem Connection- The connection speed can be up to 10 times that of a dialup and the cost is about twice that of an ISP's dial-up account, with no phone company charges. Many people who have cable TV can now get a high-speed connection to the internet from their cable provider. Cable lines offer an extremely high bandwidth connection to the Internet. It divides the connection into lots of bands, and translates the data in the bands into signals that can be carried through cable lines. Cable modems change these signals into IP packets that your computer can understand.
- And many more connection types are available such as- Wireless connections, etc.

## 9.6 INTERNET GOVERNANCE

Internet governance is the development of norms and principles relating to how the Internet functions by a group of stakeholders including governments, organizations, and commissions and the regulation and administration of those principals by the parties involved. Aside from structural issues, Internet Governance can include conversations around access, policy and content. [7]

According to the Report of the Working Group on Internet Governance (WGIG) (June 2005 P.4) Internet Governance is the development and application by governments, the private sector, and civil society in their respective roles of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programs that shape the evolution and use of the Internet. Some of the organizations that are involved in Internet governance are [7]-

- ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers)
- IANA (Internet Assigned Numbers Authority)
- ISOC (Internet Society)
- Internet Governance Forum
- NTIA (National Telecommunications and Information Administration)
- ITU (International Telecommunication Union)
- UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)
- WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization)
- Registries and Registrars
- IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force)

## 9.7 GATEWAY

In computer networking, a gateway is a component that is part of two networks, which use different protocols. The gateway will translate one protocol into the other. A router is a special case of a gateway which connects two or more similar networks. Gateways, also called protocol converters, can operate at any network layer. The activities of a gateway are more complex than that of the router or switch as it communicates using more than one protocol.

# 9.8 FILE TRANSFER PROTOCOL (FTP)

File Transfer Protocol (FTP)- It is an Internet utility software used to upload and download files. It gives access to directories or folders on remote computers and allows software, data and text files to be transferred between different kinds of computers. FTP works on the basis of same principle as that of Client/Server. FTP "Client" is a program running on your computer that enables you to talk to, and get stuff from, remote computers. The FTP client takes FTP commands and send them as requests for information from the remote computer or known as FTP servers. To access remote FTP server, it is required but not necessary to have an account in the FTP server. When the FTP client gets connected, FTP server asks for the identification in-terms of user login name and password of the FTP client. [8]

# 9.9 HYPER TEXT TRANSFER PROTOCOL (HTTP AND HTTPS)

Hypertext Transfer Protocol is a communication protocol which is used to send and receive webpages and files on the internet. It was developed by Tim Berners-Lee and is now coordinated by the W3C (World Wide Web Consortium).

HTTP works by using a user agent to connect to a server. The user agent could be a web browser. The server must be located using a URL (Uniform Resource Locator) or URI (Uniform Resource Identifier). This always contains "http://" at the starting. It normally connects to port 80 on a computer.

A more secure version of HTTP is called HTTPS (Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure). This contains "https://" at the beginning of the URL. It encrypts all the information that is sent and received. This can stop malicious users such as hackers from stealing the information and is often used on secure transmissions, such as- payment websites. HTTPS uses port 443 for communication instead of port 80.

# 9.10 SIMPLE MAIL TRANSFER PROTOCOL (SMTP)

Most internet systems use SMTP as a method to transferring e-mail from one user to another. SMTP is an application layer protocol. User-level e-mail clients typically use SMTP only for sending messages to a mail server for relaying, and typically submit outgoing e-mail to the mail server. SMTP is a protocol and is used to send the mail whereas POP (post office protocol) or IMAP (internet message access protocol) are used to retrieve those mails at the receiver's end. The SMTP server is always on listening mode. As soon as it listens for a TCP connection from any client, the SMTP process initiates a connection through port 25. After successfully establishing a TCP connection the client process sends the mail instantly. Since SMTP's introduction in 1981, it has been updated, modified and extended multiple times. The protocol version in common use today has extensible structure with various extensions for authentication, encryption, binary data transfer, and internationalized email addresses. SMTP

servers commonly use the Transmission Control Protocol on port number 25 (for plaintext) and 587 (for encrypted communications). [10,11]

# 9.11 TRANSMISSION CONTROL PROTOCOL/INTERNET PROTOCOL (TCP/IP)

The TCP/IP suite is a four layers model which is for both modelling current Internet architecture, as well as providing a set a rule that governs all forms of transmission over a computer network. The TCP/IP Model is sometimes called the Internet model. The TCP/IP model describes a set of general design guidelines and implementations of specific networking protocols to enable computers to communicate over a network. TCP/IP provides end-to-end connectivity specifying how data should be formatted, addressed, transmitted, routed and received at the destination. Protocols exist for a variety of different types of communication services between computers.

TCP/IP protocol stack is a shorthand for the two most important protocols used to make the Internet work; the Internet Protocol (IP), and the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP). The IP is responsible for transferring data packets whereas the TCP makes sure all packets arrived safely, if not, retransmits them. The TCP/IP protocol stack is made up of four layers that work together. These four layers are (high to low)-

- Layer 4- Application Layer.
- Layer 3- Transport Layer.
- Layer 2- Network Layer.
- Layer 1- Physical Layer.

## The Application Layer-

The application layer defines how certain services operate and how they can be used. Examples are the FTP service for transferring files, HTTP for serving Web pages and SMTP for e-mail. The two ends, called "the client" and "the server" are set up a connection over which they exchange messages in accordance with a specific protocol. The client starts the protocol by requesting the service. Often the next step is for the server to authenticate the client's request and respond accordingly. [12,13]

## The Transport Layer-

On the Internet, the transport layer is realized by two protocols. The first is the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and the second is the User Datagram Protocol (UDP). Both break up a message that an application wants to send into packets and attempt to deliver those packets to the intended recipient. At the recipient's side, both take the payload from the received packets and pass those to the application layer. [12,13]

The main difference between TCP and UDP is that TCP is reliable or connectionful and UDP is connectionless protocol. TCP will collect incoming packets, put them in the right order and

thereby reassemble the original message. If necessary, TCP requests retransmission of lost or damaged packets. UDP merely takes each incoming packet and delivers the payload (the original message) to the application layer. Any errors or out-of-order data should be taken care of by the application. [12,13]

UDP is much faster than TCP, and so is mainly used for applications like audio and video streaming, where the occasional error is less important than getting all the data there at the right time. More generally, UDP is designed for applications that do not require the packets to be in any specific order. Because of this, UDP is sometimes called a "connection-less" protocol. [12,13]

For example, the e-mail client and server communicate over a reliable/ connection-oriented protocol (TCP). The server listens on a certain port (port 25) until a connection request arrives from the client. The server acknowledges the request, and a TCP connection is established. Using this connection, the client and server can exchange data. [12,13]

## The Network Layer-

The network layer is responsible for transmitting and routing data packets over the network. The Internet uses the Internet Protocol or IP as its network layer. Each node on the network has an IP address, and data is sent as data packets (each data packet has specific format and size limit). [12,13]

The data packets are passed from one node in the network to another until it gets to the destination address with a source IP address, destination IP address and a payload (message) imprinted on the data packet. The IP does not notice that a packet gets lost. It just never gets to the destination. If a particular node cannot pass the packet to the next node along the normal route, it will do its best to find an alternative path. That is why IP is sometimes called a "best effort delivery protocol". [12,13]

## The Physical Layer-

The lowest layer is the physical layer, which defines how the cables, network cards, wireless transmitters and other hardware connects computers to the networks and networks to the rest of the Internet. Examples of physical layer networks are- Ethernet, Wi-Fi, Token Ring and Fiber Data Distributed Interface (FDDI). The physical layer provides the means to transfer the actual bits from one computer to another. [12,13]

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- SMTP is a protocol and is used to send the mail whereas POP (post office protocol) or IMAP (internet message access protocol) are used to retrieve those mails at the receiver's end.

# 9.13 GLOSSARY

- Router- A device that transfers data between computer networks to provide access to the Internet.
- ISP (Internet Service Provider)– A company that provides Internet service to customers.
- HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol)– A set of rules (a protocol) for transferring and accessing data using the web.
- URL (Uniform Resource Locator)– A web address of a specific web page or file on the Internet. An example is https://www.uou.ac.in
- IP (Internet Protocol)– A set of rules (a protocol) for sending data from one computer to another on the Internet. Each computer has a unique IP address that distinguishes it from all other computers on the Internet.
- FTP (File Transfer Protocol)– A set of rules (a protocol) for transferring files between computers over the Internet.
- Cookie- A small text file stored in a user's computer by a website that the user has visited so that it can remember something about the user at a later time. For example, cookies are used for online shopping. Without cookies, login information would have to be entered before every product was added to the shopping cart.

- Link (hyperlink)– A word, phrase, image, etc., within a file or web page that a user can click on to jump to another document, section of the same document, or web page.
- PC (Personal Computer)– a small computer designed for use by a single user at a time.
- Mac (Macintosh)– a type of personal computer made by Apple Inc. It runs a version of the macOS (Apple's operating system, pronounced "mack-oh-ess").
- OS (Operating System)– a powerful program that controls and coordinates a computer's hardware devices and runs software and applications. Examples includes Windows, Android, OS X, and Linux.
- Reboot- to shut down and restart a computer, allowing its operating system and programs to be reloaded.
- CPU (Central Processing Unit)– the brain or engine of a computer, where most of the processing and operations take place.
- Bit (Binary Digit)– the smallest, most basic unit of measurement for computer data storage, represented as either a 0 or a 1. One byte is equal to 8 bits.
- Byte (Binary Term)– a unit of measurement for data storage. One byte is equal to 8 bits.

# 9.14 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- 1) Define OSI model.
- 2) Define IP addresses and their role in computer networking.
- 3) What do you understand by IPv4 and IPv6?
- 4) Explain Internet governance.
- 5) Briefly explain the types of internet connection.
- 6) Explain the role of following protocols- HTTP, FTP, SMTP.

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# UNIT- 10

# INTRODUCTION TO WEB DEVELOPMENT TOOLS AND TECHNOLOGIES

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# 10.1 INTRODUCTION

A number of factors affect design in web development, complicating what would otherwise appear to the end user to be a relatively simple process of displaying a picture or document. In truth, the development process involves not only the HTML and multimedia that make up the visual aspects of the page but also considerations of software engineering, human-computer interaction, quality assurance and testing, project management, information and requirement engineering, modelling, and system analysis and design. [1,2]

Today's websites are now becoming more application centred than traditional websites. This further complicates our projects as we integrate with legacy software and databases, strive to meet real-time data demands, address security vulnerabilities inherent to the environment we are working in, and ongoing support and maintenance typical of robust software applications.

In response to these advances in complexity and capability, web development has grown to embrace many of the same development processes of software development. Web development is best achieved as a linear process, but is usually completed asynchronously. The planning process described is intended to build upon itself to refine project requirements, look and feel, and development plans. However, limitations in timelines, mid-project revisions, and the extensive time that can be invested into the early stages of design lead many programmers to begin development while a project is still in design. Starting early with programming during design planning can accelerate work progress when the elements created early on are unlikely to be affected by later changes in the scope. [1,2]

It is important to avoid aspects that are assumed to change, like visual layout or particular pieces of content, instead focusing on data structure, frameworks, and other components that are easily adapted to design changes. Some of the key things which should be avoided, monitored or resolved during web development are- (i) Vaguely defined use cases and inadequate project requirements, (ii) Overly broad or undefined scope of features, (iii) Unresolved disputes between stakeholders about project features, and (iv) Unrealistic time table, budget, or inadequate resources. By ensuring all of your objectives related to your web development projects should meet the SMART criteria, as- Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Timely. [1,2]

To do web development, you need a few core concepts and technologies. You have to understand the basics of the web designing and development. You need to have a good understanding of HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for the "front-end" that is displayed on the browser, and from the "back-end" of the development work you need languages for the code running on the server, such as- PHP, ASP.Net, Python, etc.

# 10.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Explore web development tools.
- Define open-source web development tools.
- Know popular terminologies in the arena of web designing and development.
- Explore latest trends in web designing and development.

# **10.3 OVERVIEW OF WEB DEVELOPMENT TOOLS**

The task of web development in a full stack approach, means a web developer should have an understanding of all of the elements necessary to create and run a website. You should focus on familiarizing yourselves with several tools/frameworks those are used in the journey of developing a successful web application. You should have the brief overview of such basic tools/frameworks, such as- [4]

### [1] Web Development-

A brief history of the development of the Internet along with current trends and emerging technologies such as virtualization, botnets, internet of things, and more.

Web Servers-

Analysis of the components of servers from both a hardware and software perspective with introduction to LAMP (Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP), WAMP (Windows, Apache, MySQL, and PHP), XAMPP (Cross-platform, Apache, MySQL, PHP and Perl) software and alternative solutions. Introduction to basic networking topics to provide an understanding of device addressing and URL translation.

Design- Techniques useful in the design of web projects including site maps, wireframes, storyboarding and more.

Development- Introduction to development models and best practices. Includes APIs, developing with or without others, and practices like pseudo-code, code formatting, and variable naming conventions.

### [2] Document Markup-

HTML5- Introduction to HTML including features from the current specifications for HTML5. Covers tags and attributes, layout elements, forms, canvas, and more.

CSS- Introduction to CSS3 including selectors and rules, classes, responsive styling, positioning, and more.

## [3] Scripting Languages-

PHP- Introduction to PHP including debugging, arrays, email, file interaction, logic and control structure, and more.

JavaScript- A brief contrast of JavaScript to PHP, use of jQuery, and the document object model. Demonstration of how to complete basic page manipulation using JavaScript.

### [4] Data Storage and more-

MySQL- Primary and foreign keys, normalization and design, query design, and more.

Security- An introduction to risk management and examples of basic methods of securing elements of a site.

Advanced Examples- Examples of site features and methods, which combine the languages and topics in the text.

Latest trends- Integration of common website elements that complete the user experience including search optimization, analytics, and important information.

# 10.4 OPEN-SOURCE WEB DESIGNING AND DEVELOPMENT TOOLS/ FRAMEWORKS

Open-source tools for web developers are the key to develop customized projects because generally they are free of cost, but they can be modified in any way as the developer wants. Some of the top demanding open-source tools for web development are-

### KOMPOZER- (www.kompozer.net)

It is a WISYWIG (What You See Is What You Get) HTML editor. It is a light-weight application for performing development tasks.

### ECLIPSE- (www.eclipse.org)

Eclipse is an IDE (Integrated Development Environment) specially for Java developers, but it may also be used to develop applications in other programming languages via plug-ins, including Ada, C, C++, C#, Erlang, JavaScript, Perl, PHP, etc.

### APACHE- (www.apache.org)

Apache is the Web server which is demanded by almost all Web developers. It is on of the popular web server among Web developers because of its reliability and speed.

### XAMPP- (www.apachefriends.org)

For writing a complete web application, a Web server is only the foundation. You need some other tools, i.e., Relational database (for example- MySQL) and the PHP language framework. Installing and configuring all of them one by one is a complicated task. The XAMPP provides all such tools (Apache, PHP, and MySQL) in a bundle which is very easy to install and access.

### POSTGRESQL- (www.postgresql.org)

It is a relational database which is an alternative of MySQL, one can use it.

### PHPMYADMIN- (https://www.phpmyadmin.net)

phpMyAdmin is an open-source GUI (Graphical User Interface) application for web developers which is used to administer MySQL databases and it makes the entire process much easier in a graphical manner.

### FIREFOX WEB DEVELOPER TOOLBAR- (https://addons.mozilla.org)

Firefox web developer toolbar has more functions than the Firebug plug-in and is freely available.

### OPENSTA- (www.opensta.org)

It supplies versatile test development software that enables you to create and run tests tailormade for the environment you are assessing. The contents and structure of a test will depend on the type of test you are conducting, the nature of the system you are targeting and the aims of your performance test. It supports the creation of HTTP/HTTPS load tests that include scripts which supply the load element, and may also include collectors which are used to record additional performance data.

### BROWSERSHOTS.ORG-

It allows to you to see how your website is viewed in any possible browser. The list of browsers includes almost any browser you can imagine and this saves you the hassle to manually test your site for browser compatibility.

Bootstrap- (www.getbootstrap.com)

Bootstrap is an open-source tool used to create responsive web designs. It comes with a complete JavaScript extension, containers, forms, buttons, classes, media queries, grids and navigation.

Visual Studio Code- (https://code.visualstudio.com)

Visual Studio code is a source-code editor made by Microsoft for Windows, Linux and macOS, and is a free, cross-platform code editor. It includes to support for debugging, syntax highlighting, intelligent code completion, etc.

### Node.js- (www.nodejs.org)

Node.js is a popular platform for creating network applications that are both scalable and fast. It uses less CPU horsepower and has a smaller memory footprint than the other similar tools. It is revolutionary in that it helped usher in real-time web apps using web sockets to deploy push technology. It uses an event-driven, non-blocking I/O structure based on Google's V8 JavaScript engine.

#### LESS- (www.lesscss.org)

It is a CSS pre-processor, and has a similar syntax to CSS itself. It helps developers make CSS more extensible and maintainable with a full feature set including functions, and variables.

#### AngularJS- (www.angularjs.org)

AngularJS extends the power of HTML using markup for data binding and dynamic views. It is a Model-View-Whatever (MVW) JavaScript platform, and is well-suited for creating one-page web applications and connecting HTML forms to JavaScript controllers and models.

#### Brackets- (www.brackets.io)

It is a lightweight web design editor and it is very useful for working on CSS, HTML and JavaScript.

MongoDB- (www.mongodb.com)

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MongoDB is a popular document-oriented database (also called no SQL). It can work across multiple platforms, and also uses documents with dynamic schemas for rapid data integration. ReactJS- (www.reactjs.org)

It is a famous open source, efficient, and declarative JavaScript library used for the designing of user interfaces.

## Atom- (www.atom.io)

It is an open-source and supports to cross-platform editing. It supports to AngularJS, smart auto-completion, Atom TypeScript, etc., which plays a crucial role in faster web development.

## Notepad ++ (www.notepad-plus-plus.org)

It is a famous open-source text and source code editor for Microsoft Windows. It is known for offering tabbed editing, syntax highlighting and code folding for more than 50 programming, scripting and markup languages.

## Firebug- (www.getfirebug.com)

This tool is an extension of Mozilla Firefox making simpler debugging, editing, and monitoring HTML, CSS, and JavaScript on a live web page. The key features of Firebug are- Inspects and edits HTML, Visualizes CSS metrics, Debugs and profiles JavaScript, Monitors network activity, quickly finds errors, Explores the DOM (Document Object Model), Handles cookies, etc.

### Ember.JS- (www.emberjs.com)

It is an open-source JavaScript framework based on the model-view-controller (MVC) pattern, which is the preferred JavaScript frameworks for a single-page web application.

### WAMP- (www.wampserver.com)

Its full form is Windows, Apache, MySQL, and PHP. It is mostly used for web development and local/internal testing server-side scripts.

### FileZilla- (www.filezilla-project.org)

It is a cross-platform FTP (File Transfer Protocol) application which is freely available.

## GitLab- (www.gitlab.com)

It is a web-based open-source repository manager. It offers features like- access controls, code reviews, activity feeds, and issue tracking. It has continuous integration and deployment built in, which is very helpful for you for building, testing, and deploying code.

### Axiis- (www.axiis.org)

It is an open-source data visualization frameworks, which is designed for both beginners and advance developers. It allows developers to define their data visualizations through intuitive and concise markup. It also offers pre-built visualization components with the abstract layout patterns that provide classes that help you to develop your own unique visualizations.

# 10.5 **POPULAR TERMINOLOGIES USED IN WEB DESIGNING** AND DEVELOPMENT

- Active Server Pages (ASP)- Microsoft's first server-side script language for dynamically-generated web pages.
- Adaptive layout- A layout system that enables the visual elements in a web page or application to adapt to changes in the size of the application window or capabilities of the device on which the application is running.
- Android- A mobile operating system that is based upon a modified version of the Linux kernel and currently owned and maintained by Google.
- Browser- A software program that allows a user to view images and read hypertext documents (i. e. web pages). Chrome, Internet Explorer, Mozilla, Opera, and Safari are all browsers.
- Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)- Declarations that describe how a document should be presented on the Web. CSS can be written for different media, can be part of an HTML document, or can be a separate file that is applied to multiple HTML documents.
- Chrome- A web browser developed by Google that is based on the WebKit layout engine and application framework.
- ColdFusion- A commercial rapid application development platform invented by Jeremy and JJ Allaire in 1995, originally designed to make it easier to connect simple HTML pages to a database. As of 2010, versions of ColdFusion (now owned by Adobe Systems) include advanced features for enterprise integration and development of rich Internet applications (RIA).
- Content Distribution Network (CDN)- A system of computers containing copies of data, placed at various points in a network so as to maximize bandwidth for access to the data from clients throughout the network. A client accesses a copy of the data that resides on a server that is closer to them, as opposed to all clients accessing the data from the same central server.
- Content Management System (CMS)- Software used to manage work flow in a collaborative environment. On the web, a content management system is designed to simplify the publication of web content to web sites and mobile devices—in particular,

allowing content creators to submit content without requiring technical knowledge of HTML or the uploading of files.

- Cookies- Also known as a web cookie, browser cookie, or HTTP cookie, a piece of text stored by a user's web browser. A cookie can be used for authentication, storing site preferences, shopping cart contents, the identifier for a server-based session, or anything else that can be stored as text data. Cookies can be encrypted or unencrypted.
- CSS3- A modularized version of CSS that consists of several separate recommendations. Rather than attempting to shove dozens of updates into a single monolithic specification, CSS3 allows an easier and more efficient update to individual pieces of the specification. Modules enable CSS to be updated in a more timely and precise fashion, thus allowing for a more flexible and timely evolution of the specification as a whole.
- Dreamweaver- A WYSIWYG (What You See Is What You Get) web development application originally developed by Macromedia and now owned and maintained by Adobe Systems. This desktop software program allows users to preview websites in locally installed web browsers, provides file transfer and synchronization features, the ability to find and replace lines of text or code by search terms and regular expressions across an entire site, and boasts a templating feature that allows single-source update of shared code and layout across entire sites without server-side includes or scripting. The behaviours panel also enables use of basic JavaScript without any coding knowledge.
- Dynamic HTML (DHTML)- A late 1990s buzzword for a collection of technologies (HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and the Document Object Model) used together to create interactive and animated web sites. This buzzword has been replaced several times over with terms such as "DOM scripting," "Ajax," and, most recently "HTML5."
- Firefox- A free and open-source web browser created by Mozilla that uses the Gecko layout engine to display web pages. Mozilla Firefox implements the most current web standards in addition to several features which are intended to anticipate likely additions to the standards.
- Flash- An Adobe multimedia platform used to add animation, video, and interactivity to web pages. It is frequently used for advertisements, games, and as a component of rich Internet applications (RIAs). Flash manipulates vector and raster graphics to animate text, drawings, and still images. It supports bidirectional streaming of audio and video, can capture input via mouse, keyboard, microphone, and camera, and, if properly coded, can be made accessible to some assistive technologies.

- HTML5- The next major revision of the HTML standard that is currently under development. Like its immediate predecessors, HTML 4.01 and XHTML 1.1, HTML5 is a standard for structuring and presenting content on the World Wide Web.
- Hyperlink- Hyperlinks are words or phrases within an HTML document that provide a connection to another HTML document. Hyperlinks create the "web" in World Wide Web.
- Hyper Text Markup Language (HTML)- A simple mark-up language used to create hypertext documents that can be read on any computer. HTML is the structural basis of every web page.
- Java Server Pages (JSP)- A Java technology that helps software developers serve dynamically generated web pages based on HTML, XML, or other document types.
- JavaScript- A client-side scripting language originally developed by Netscape and later standardized by ECMA. Programs authored in JavaScript adds interactivity and conditional behavior to web pages. JavaScript, despite its name, has little in common with the programming language Java.
- Keyword- A term that is more relevant or of higher importance in a given page of content on the web. A popular form of keywords on the web are tags which are directly visible and can be assigned by non-experts also.
- Mobile Web- The Mobile Web refers to the use of Internet-connected applications, or browser-based access to the Internet from a mobile device—such as a smartphone or tablet PC—connected to a wireless network.
- Multimedia- Media and content that uses a combination of different forms. Multimedia includes some combination of text, audio, still images, animation, video, and interactive content.
- Native app- An application designed to run in the computer environment (machine language and OS) being referenced.
- Open-source- Describes practices in production and development that promote access to the end product's source materials and the licensed usage thereof.
- Opera- A web browser and Internet suite developed by Opera Software. Opera is the most popular mobile browser, and the most popular desktop browser in some countries.
- Operating System (OS)- Software consisting of programs and data that runs on computers, manages computer hardware resources, and provides common services for efficient execution of various application software. Microsoft Windows and Apple's OS X are examples of common operating systems.

- Payment gateway- An e-commerce application service provider service that authorizes payments for e-businesses and online retailers. Payment gateways protect credit card details by encrypting sensitive information, such as credit card numbers, to ensure that information is passed securely between the customer and the merchant and also between merchant and the payment processor.
- Photoshop- A graphics editing program developed and published by Adobe Systems Incorporated. It is commonly used by designers for print and the web.
- PHP- A widely used, general-purpose scripting language that was originally designed for web development to produce dynamic web pages.
- Prototype- On the web, typically a low-fidelity proof-of-concept application or interface to be used for testing the usability or viability of that interface or application.
- Ruby- A dynamic, open-source programming language with a focus on simplicity and productivity. A primary aim of the language is to maintain an elegant syntax that is natural to read and easy to write. Ruby is the underlying language used in the Rails and Sinatra web frameworks.
- Ruby on Rails- An open-source framework that brings the Ruby programming language to the web.
- Safari- A graphical web browser developed by Apple and included as part of the Mac OS X operating system. A version of Safari is also available for Microsoft's Windows operating system.
- Screen size- On a computer monitor, the viewable image size is the actual amount of screen space that is available to display a picture, without obstruction from the case or other aspects of the unit's design. Screen size is not necessarily an indication of a display device's overall resolution as that calculation is made by multiplying the screen size by the pixel density of the device.
- Search engine- A web application designed to search for information across publicly available pages on the World Wide Web.
- Search Engine Optimization (SEO)- The process of improving the visibility of a website to search engines.
- Site map- Provides a global, hierarchical view of a website's pages or application's "screens" for organizational purposes. Most site maps do not show every page-to-page or screen-to-screen connection; that function is usually served by detailed user flows.
- Source code- Any collection of statements or declarations written in a computer programming language.

- Stylesheet- A set of rules defining the presentation of a structured document.
- URL/URI- A Uniform Resource Locator (URL) is a Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) that specifies where an identified resource is available and the mechanism for retrieving it. The best-known example of the use of a URL is for the address of a web page.
- User experience- The interaction a user has with an interface. From a planning perspective, the user experience is typically defined in wireframes, but every aspect of the web design and development process—from wireframing to copywriting to design to programming—affects the user experience.
- Web standards- Technologies for creating and interpreting web-based content. Web standards are developed by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) and other groups and standards bodies and are carefully designed to deliver the greatest benefits to the greatest number of web users while ensuring the long-term viability of any document published on the web.
- Website- A collection of related web pages, images, videos or digital assets that are addressed relative to a common URL.
- Wireframe- A basic visual guide used in interface design to suggest the structure of a website and relationships between its pages. A webpage wireframe is a similar illustration of the layout of fundamental elements in the interface. Typically, wireframes are completed before any artwork is developed.
- WYSIWYG- An acronym for "What you see is what you get." The term is used in computing to describe a system in which content displayed during editing appears very similar to the final output.
- .Net- A software framework for Microsoft Windows operating systems. It includes a large library and supports several programming languages, allowing language interoperability (each language can use code written in other languages). [3]

# 10.6 RECENT TRENDS IN WEB DEVELOPMENT

Technology is growing at a rapid pace day by day where digital advancement continues to reshape our surroundings and also influencing our day-to-day decisions. Earlier, websites were started with plain text, and now we are utilizing the applications of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in our websites. Such advancement in technologies have multi angle effects in re-shaping the business world. We have bots that can talk to you just like another human who can actually guess what exactly is in your mind. All these changes are highly indebted to the continuously evolving web development trends. Some of the trending routes of today's web development are- [5]

• Voice Search Optimization.

- Chat Bot.
- Mobile-Friendly Website.
- JavaScript.
- Progressive Web App.
- Blockchain Technology.
- Single Page Application.
- Motion UI.
- Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality VR.
- Artificial Intelligence.

# 10.7 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- It is important to avoid the aspects that are assumed to change, like visual layout or particular pieces of content, instead focusing on data structure, frameworks, and other components that are easily adapted to design changes.
- During the the journey of web development process, you should focus on familiarizing yourselves with various core tools/frameworks, as- HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, etc.
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- Cookies- Also known as a web cookie, browser cookie, or HTTP cookie, a piece of text stored by a user's web browser. A cookie can be used for authentication, storing site preferences, shopping cart contents, the identifier for a server-based session, or anything else that can be stored as text data. Cookies can be encrypted or unencrypted.

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- Site map- Provides a global, hierarchical view of a website's pages or application's "screens" for organizational purposes. Most site maps do not show every page-to-page or screen-to-screen connection; that function is usually served by detailed user flows.

# 10.9 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- 1) Define the web development process. What are the core tools required to design a basic web application?
- 2) List the tools used for designing user interface with brief description.
- 3) Define open-source web development tools.
- 4) Explain the following terminologies used in web development- HTML5, Mobile Web, Payment gateway, Safari, Search engine, Site map, Wireframe, User experience.
- 5) Briefly explain the latest trends in web development.

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# UNIT- 11

# REPORT WRITING AND DOCUMENT FORMATION

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# 11.1 INTRODUCTION

From letter writing to report writing, the written communication always requires skill and expertise. The written documents provide a record of a correspondence, which is a key in situations where legal concerns may arise. The written communication you produce, represents you and your organization, so your goal is always to make it clear, concise, and professional, regardless of the type of message you are sending.

Some of the popularly used business documents that you will find in your professional journey, as- e-mail, memos, letters, fax cover sheets, and reports. When you are writing workplace documents, you will usually be focusing on the two intentions, inform and persuade. Most commonly, memos, fax cover sheets, and short reports are intended to inform. Such documents deal with facts only, and their messages are usually neutral, they are not likely to create an emotional response, either positive or negative. But in some situations, like e-mail and letters you have to persuade to someone in any way.

Different types of workplace documents can align with different purposes. You will have to choose the right document type and accordingly you will have to plan writing the document, grammar, and punctuation skills to draft a clear message to the recipient.

Here, we are basically dealing with report writing and formation. There are several types of reports you might need to create, such as- Annual Report, Weekly Report, Project Report, Sales/Marketing Report, Research Report, Academic Report, etc.

# 11.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Define various report types and their purposes.
- Define need of report writing.
- Explain report organization.
- Define important workplace document and formatting style.

# 11.3 TYPES OF REPORTS

Reports come in all sizes but are typically longer than a page and somehow extended upto 400 pages similar to a book. The type of report depends on its function, and audience to whom it has to present. Reports vary by their function, style, and purpose. There are many types of reports, here we are focusing on the following types of reports used at the workplace.

### **Annual Report-**

This will typically cover the organization's yearly progress and performance to share the achievements with the audience.

### Weekly Reports-

This type of reports is helpful to share the weekly progress various projects and goals. This can be simple as 1 to 2 pages longer.

### **Project Reports-**

Keep your clients and team members up-to-date on the status of various projects progress.

### **Research Report-**

the research reports are the way to present in-depth research findings. Such as, scientific findings, data and statistics from a study, etc., a research report is a way to share one's research findings.

### Academic Report-

Such type of reports can be created for a class, often in graduate or undergraduate universities/ colleges. It may be periodical or random.

### **Progress Report-**

A progress report is used to give management an update on the status of any assigned task/project. It is generated at timed intervals (for example, monthly, quaterly, etc.) or on

completion of any key stage in the project. It records accomplishments and identifies any challenges or concerns.

### **Recommendation Report-**

A recommendation report is used to help management make decisions. The goal of this type of report is to identify a solution to a problem or suggest a course of action. The intention of a recommendation report is not to assign blame or be overly critical, but to suggest improvements in a positive manner.

### **Summary Report-**

A summary report is used to give management information. For example, if you work in the marketing department, your boss might ask you to find out about your competitors' online activities so that your organization can effectively compete with them. To do this, you would research your competitors' websites, social media profiles, digital advertising campaigns, and so on. Then, you would prepare key points so that your management can get the essential information and can act accordingly. Summary reports always focuses on the facts, leaving it to management to decide on a course of action.

# 11.4 IMPORTANCE OF WRITING AN ATTRACTIVE REPORT

- The project manager is accountable for the timely completion of the project. For achieving such goal progress report is very important.
- It can fulfill the audience expectation about the concern topic.
- The figures and tabular data must be well presented.
- Headings and sub headings are the key to make a report worthy.
- The design and structure of a report is of key importance.
- The font type, style and font size must be chosen carefully.
- The organization of the report must be reviewed.

# 11.5 ESSENTIAL STAGES IN REPORT WRITING

The reports have various designs depending on the profession, or organization's need. Organizations very often have their own "stylesheets" on which all organizational document designs are based, so make sure we are sharing a general format of reports. The reports have specifications, such as-layout, organization of content, format of headings and lists, the design of the graphics, and so on. The advantage of a required structure and format for reports is that you or anyone else can expect them to be designed in a familiar way. Reports are usually read in a hurry manner in which people get the information they need, so that the key facts, the conclusions, and other essentials should be mentioned in a eye catching manner.

When someone analyses the design of a report, he/she will notice that how some information is presented repetitively, because, this has to do with how people read reports. People do not

read reports straight through: they may start with the executive summary, table of content, key facts, and most probably conclusion. So, designing a good report is a big challenge. The standard components of the typical report are discussed with the following sub-sections which are only the guidelines to prepare a report because different organizations can have different report formats, as-

## **Cover letter-**

The cover letter is either attached to the outside of the report with a paper clip or is bounded n the front of the report. It is a communication from you (the report writer) to the recipient of the report. The cover letter explains the context of the events that brought the report about. It contains information about the report that does not belong in the report.

### Example of the cover letter-

First paragraph- It cites the name of the report, putting it in italics. It also mentions the date of the agreement to write the report.

Middle paragraph- It focuses on the purpose of the report and gives a brief overview of the report's contents.

Final paragraph- It encourages the reader to get in touch if there are questions, comments, or concerns. It closes with a gesture of good will, expressing hope that the reader finds the report satisfactory.

As with any other element in a report, you may have to modify the contents of this cover letter for specific situations. Sample cover letter is shown in the figure 11.1



Figure 11.1 Sample Cover Letter

## **Cover Page-**

Cover page of the report must be decent and informative in terms of report title, submitted by (creator of the report), submitted to (recipient of the report), duration (date). For example- The word-processing software to be used to design a cover page of the report. Refer to figure 11.2

#### LIGHT WATER NUCLEAR REACTORS

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This report examines light water reactors as a possible alternative source of energy for Luckenbach, Texas. Both types of light water reactors are described, and an explanation of how each reactor produces electricity is presented. Safety systems and economic aspects conclude the main discussion of the report.

Figure 11.2 Cover Page Sample

## Abstract/ Executive Summary-

Most reports contain at least one abstract/ executive summary, in which the summary of the contents of a report are presented. In some report formats, the abstract and the executive summary are treated differently. The executive summary is presented with the key facts and conclusions contained in the report. Typically, executive summary can be 2 to 3 pages long if the length of the report is 30 to 50 pages. For longer reports, it can be proportionately increased.

## Table of contents-

In every document which is of longer size (more than 10 pages) the table of contents is a place which cannot be skipped by the reader. It shows readers what topics are covered in the report, and how those topics are discussed (with sub-topics) in a serial manner. To create a table of contents, you should remember the following-

- Font size and style.
- Levels of headings.
- Page number (Infront of each heading or sub heading).
- Indentation, spacing, and capitalization.

• List of figures and tables- If your document has more than two figures or tables create a separate list of figures, so that the readers can use the list of figures to quickly find the illustrations, diagrams, tables, and charts in your report.

## Introduction-

An essential element of any report is it's introduction. The well-structured/defined introduction makes it sure that the presented information is clear and concise with its real purpose. The introduction part of any report prepares the reader to read the main body of the report.

## Body of the report-

The body of the report is of course the main text of the report, the sections between the introduction and conclusion are called the body of the report.

### Headings and sub headings-

Headings, sub-headings and their titles of the report makes the key impression among the reader's mind.

During report preparation, the headings and sub-headings about any title are the subject of gaining attention. Headings are like the parts of an outline that have been pasted into the actual pages of the document. Heading size and title are an important feature of any professional writing, because they alert readers about upcoming topics and subtopics. Headings are also useful for report writers to keep you organized and focused on the flow of the topic.

## **Conclusions-**

A conclusion does not necessarily just summarize a report. Instead, use the conclusion to explain the most significant findings you made in relation to your report topic.

## Appendixes-

Appendixes are those extra sections following the conclusion. We can put anything in appendixes that does not comfortably fit in the main part of the report but you feel that must be included in the report. The appendix is commonly used for large tables of data, big chunks of sample code, fold-out maps, background details that is too basic or too advanced for the body of the report, or large illustrations that just do not fit in the body of the report.

## Information Sources/ References-

Documenting your information sources is all about establishing, maintaining, and protecting your credibility among the readers. Anything you have taken for completing your report, it must be cited in the reference section.

# **11.6 IMPORTANCE OF DOCUMENT FORMATION**

Document formatting refers to the way in which a document is visually organized and it addresses things like font selection, font size, font style (bold, italic, underline), spacing, margins, alignment, columns, indentation, and bullets and numbering.

A well formatted document is consistent, correct, visually eye catching, and easy to read. The visual appeal of a document has an effect on the reader and how they perceive the information, so it is very important in any type of writing or documentation to be well concerned with its formatting. Formatting also makes information more accessible to the reader by creating and labelling sections and sub-sections, highlighting key words, and making a good impression on the audience mind. Few things should keep in mind while creating/formatting a report, as-

- Font size (11-12 pt.), and a consistent style throughout, including headers, footers, and visual labels.
- Section headings (somehow 14pt-16pt).
- A standard professional font should be used (e.g., Times New Roman, Arial, Cambria, Calibri).
- Single or 0.15 to 0.3 line spacing, with no indentation on the first line of the paragraph.
- No additional line break between paragraphs, instead paragraph spacing should be used (before 6pt, after 6pt)
- Text alignment must be justified.
- Page numbers should be at the bottom right corner (starting the first page of the main text, i.e. not the cover page or Table of Contents)
- Tables should be well formatted and organized.
- Spell and Grammar Checker should be used.

# 11.7 PREPARING TYPICAL WORKPLACE DOCUMENTS

Whenever you will start to write a document at your workplace, you always need to consider who is the audience and what is the purpose of your message (to inform, persuade, or entertain). The optimal approach to create an office document is to sketch the outline of the document first. This will help you to create the structure of your document and make the writing process much easier. The following are the document frequently used in offices-

## E-Mail:

It may be used similarly to text messaging or synchronous chat, or as a quicker way to receive and send information that would traditionally be written in a letter. It can be delivered to a mobile device. Many businesses use automated emails to acknowledge communications to the people. Emails are often informal when used for personal communication, but business communication requires attention to detail, awareness that your email reflects you and your organization. Email often serves to exchange information within organizations. Although email may feel informal, remember that when used for business, it needs to convey professionalism and respect.

### Tips for effective business e-mails:

- Proper salutations should demonstrate respect.
- Subject line should be clear, brief, and specific. This helps the recipient to understand the essence of the message.
- Close your e-mail with a signature which contains your name and business contact information.
- Avoid abbreviations because an e-mail is not a text message.
- Format it cleanly, include line breaks between paragraphs for ease of reading.
- Do a minimum of three-stage review (including structural edit, copy edit, and proofread) before you send it.
- Reply your e-mails promptly. Make a habit of replying e-mails within 24 hours.
- Do not send your reply to everyone who received the initial email unless your message absolutely needs to be read by the entire group.
- Avoid using all capital letters. Capital letters are considered as rude words.
- Give feedback or follow up. If you do not get a response in 24 hours, email or call because spam filters may have intercepted your message, so your recipient may never have received it.

## Memos (memorandum or Reminder)-

A memo is normally used for communicating policies, procedures, or related official business within an organization. It is often written from a one-to-all perspective, broadcasting a message to an audience, rather than a one-on-one, interpersonal communication. It may be used to update a team on activities for a given project or to inform a specific group within an organization of an event, action, or observance. The purpose of a memo is to inform, but it may occasionally include an element of persuasion or a call-to-action. One effective way to address un-official speculation is to spell out clearly for all employees what is going on with a particular issue. If a company wants employees to take action, they may issue a memo.

A memo has a header that indicates who sent it and who the intended recipients are. Pay particular attention to the title of the individual(s) in this section. Date and subject lines are also present, followed by a message that contains a declaration, a discussion, and a summary. In a standard writing format, we might expect to see an introduction, a body, and a conclusion. All these are present in a memo, and each part has a purpose. The introduction in the opening uses a declarative sentence to announce the main topic. The body elaborates or lists major points associated with the topic, and the conclusion serves as a summary.

## **Business Letters-**

Letters are brief messages sent to recipients that are usually outside the organization. They are often printed on letter head and usually take up one or two pages. While email may be used more frequently today, the business letter remains a common form of written communication. Your organization may have its own letter format, but the common elements across business letters are- Return Address, Date, Recipient Address, Inside Address, Salutation, Subject Line, Introduction, Body, Conclusion, Closing, Signature, Reference Initials, Enclosures (if any), Contact information, etc.

Letters may serve to introduce your skills and qualifications to prospective employers, deliver important or specific information, or serve as documentation of an event or decision. They may deliver information with a positive, negative, or neutral tone. Regardless of the type of letter you need to write. A letter contains five areas (but not necessarily all the elements are used in every case)-

The heading, which establishes the sender, including address and date.

The introduction, which establishes the purpose.

The body, which articulates the message.

The conclusion, which restates the main point and may include a call-to-action.

The signature line, which sometimes includes the contact information.

## **Short Report-**

Reports are designed to record and convey information to the reader and can be used both internally (within organization) and externally (outside organization). Reports serve to document new information for specific audiences, goals, or functions. The reports are often analytical or involve the rational analysis of information. Sometimes the report contains the facts with no analysis at all, but in some other situations, the reports summarize past events, present current data, and forecast future trends.

# 11.8 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Reports are designed to record and convey information to the reader and can be used both internally (within organization) and externally (outside organization).
- The written communication you produce, represents you and your organization, so your goal is always to make it clear, concise, and professional, regardless of the type of message you are sending.
- A memo is normally used for communicating policies, procedures, or related official business within an organization. It is often written from a one-to-all perspective, broadcasting a message to an audience, rather than a one-on-one, interpersonal communication.
- Letters are brief messages sent to recipients that are usually outside the organization. They are often printed on letter head and usually take up one or two pages.

• Letters may serve to introduce your skills and qualifications to prospective employers, deliver important or specific information.

# 11.9 GLOSSARY

- Annual Report- This will typically cover the organization's yearly progress and performance to share the achievements with the audience.
- Project Reports- Keep your clients and team members up-to-date on the status of various projects progress.
- Research Report- the research reports are the way to present in-depth research findings. Such as, scientific findings, data and statistics from a study, etc., a research report is a way to share one's research findings.
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- Progress Report- A progress report is used to give management an update on the status of any assigned task/project. It is generated at timed intervals (for example, monthly, quarterly, etc.) or on completion of any key stage in the project. It records accomplishments and identifies any challenges or concerns.

# 11.10 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- 1) Define the role of various reports.
- 2) How many types of reports are used in an organization? Explain briefly.
- 3) Explain the importance of document formatting.
- 4) Briefly explain the organization of a report.
- 5) Define the various workplace documents with their key features and purposes.

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# UNIT- 12 FEEDBACK AND SURVEY

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## 12.1 INTRODUCTION

Feedback and reviews are the vital part of learner's skillset or organizational improvement. Constructive feedback is a robust tool for creating healthy environment, utilizing one's potential, and engagement to achieve better results. Feedback helps to optimize work processes and give future directions, so that one can develop strategies accordingly. Feedback plays the crucial role in education and learning by identifying the actual scenario and avoid repetitive mistakes. Feedback and reviews give people an opportunity to look themselves through different angels. Giving regular feedback is one way we can show employees that they are valued and useful. Constructive feedback opens up the communication channels between employee and employer, which is a key to achieve common organizational goal.

A survey is a research method used for collecting data from a predefined group of participants to gain information and insights into various topics of interest. The surveys can be conducted for multiple purposes where researchers can conduct surveys in depending on the methodology chosen to achieve the goal. For conducting surveys, you can design a questionnaire or any other
standard procedures to collect unbiased data. The data can be collected either online or offline mode. In online, the survey data can be collected using digital media, such as- social media networks, email, forms, etc.

## 12.2 OBJECTIVES

After the successful completion of this unit, you will be able to-

- Explore types of feedback collection.
- Explore designing tactics of surveys.
- Define data analysis methods.

# **12.3 TYPES OF FEEDBACK COLLECTION**

The communication process depends on a series of components that are always present. If you remove one or more, the process disintegrates. Such components are- a source, a receiver, a message, and a channel or multiples of each in divergent ratios of signal strength and clarity. The final step in the communication process is feedback. It contributes to the transactional relationship in communication, and serves as part of the cycling and recycling of information, content, negotiations, relationships, and meaning between the source and receiver. Because the feedback is so valuable for developing strategies and improvements. Feedback is defined as a receiver's response to a source, and can come in many forms. Feedback is always present, even if we fail to capture or attend to the information as it is displayed. Here we are describing several forms of feedback. [3]

## [1] Indirect Feedback-

Indirect feedback is a response that does not directly come from the receiver or source. The receiver may receive the message, and may become the source of the response, but they may not communicate that response directly to you. For example- In the case of accessing your website, this is your ability to track who accesses your Web page, what they read, and how long their visit lasts can be a source of feedback that serves to guide for improving/ developing your website much better. You may also receive comments, e-mails, or information from individuals within your organization about what the visitors/customers have told to them; this is another source of indirect feedback. [3]

**Note-** The fact that the information is not communicated directly may limit its use or reliability, but it does have value. All forms of feedback have some measure of value.

### [2] Direct Feedback-

Direct feedback is a response that comes from the receiver. Direct feedback can be both verbal and nonverbal, and it may involve signs, symbols, words, or sounds that are unclear or difficult to understand.

For example- You may send an e-mail to a customer who inquired about your water pump, offering to send a printed brochure and have a local sales representative call to evaluate how suitable your pump would be for the customer's particular application. In order to do so, you will need the customer's mailing address, physical location, and phone number. If the customer replies with a sense of satisfaction with your services, one can store it as feedback, but it is hard to interpret if you got few more and complex information/replies. Communication is dynamic and complex, and it is no easy task to understand or predict. One aspect of the process, however, is predictable: feedback is always part of the communication process. The ability to identify clear and direct feedback can be a significant challenge. [3]

### [3] Internal Feedback-

Internal feedback is generated by the source in response to the message created by that same source. You, as the author, will be key to the internal feedback process. This may involve reviewing your document before you send it or post it, but it also may involve evaluation from within your organization. We usually think of feedback as something that can only come from others, but in the case of internal feedback, we can get it from ourselves. Internal feedback starts with you. Your review of what you write is critical. You are the first and last line of responsibility for your writing. As the author, it is your responsibility to ensure your content, that is- correct; clear; concise; and ethical. [3]

### [4] External Feedback-

Writing, reading, and action based on the exchange of symbolic information is a reflection of the communication process. Feedback comes in many forms and in this part of our discussion we focus on answering that essential question, assessing interaction, and gathering information from it. External feedback involves a response from the receiver. Increasingly Web-based documents allow for interaction and enhancement of external feedback. Page views are a count of how many times a Web page is viewed, irrespective of the number of files it contains. Each time a user or reader views the page counts as one page view. [3]

### [5] User-Generated Feedback-

With the introduction of online media, the speed of feedback has been greatly increased. Public relations announcements, product reviews, and performance data of your organization are often made available internally or externally via electronic communication. If you see a factual error in an article released internally, within minutes you may be able to respond with an e-mail and a file attachment with a document that corrects the data. In the same way, if the document is released externally, you can expect that feedback from outside your organization will be quick. Audience may even post positive or negative comments. [3]

Customer reviews and similar forms of user-generated content are increasingly common across the Internet. Written communication is often chosen as the preferred format; from tweets to blogs and commentary pages, to threaded, theme-based forums, person-to-person exchange is increasingly common as user generated feedback. The online feedback can influence several future customers, but negative customer reviews in the online information age can make a disproportionate impact in a relatively short time. The online environment can be both fast and effective in terms of distribution and immediate feedback. [3]

# 12.4 ROLE OF FEEDBACK

Feedback is something which tells you that you are on the right track or not. Feedback is information provided on the performance or understanding of a task which can then be used to improve this performance or understanding. Feedback helps to close the gap between actual performance and intended performance. The use of feedback is regarded as one of the most powerful strategy to improve one's achievement. Sometimes, feedback is typically related with greater academic achievement, improvements in learner's work, and enhanced learners' motivation. Feedback can serve many different purposes, such as- praise, encouragement, identification of errors, suggestions of how to fix errors and guidance on how to improve the work standard. [1]

# 12.5 HOW TO DESIGN A SURVEY?

Questionnaires and surveys are essential tools for gathering this necessary information. Such questionnaires and surveys can also help you to discover new information, open new doors for study, and develop new solutions. Some essential characteristics of a good survey that researchers need to know, including: [2]

- A clear understanding of the focus of the research and the type of data that needs to be collected.
- A clear and consistent format.
- Clear and concise instructions.
- Clear language for the questions.
- Definition of terms.

### Advantages of designing a questionnaire- [2]

- Cost-effective- Designing a well-crafted questionnaire will save you both time and money.
- Easy to use- As with any type of research, analysis and forecasting are easier if you collect large amounts of information.
- Questionnaires offer you the flexibility to manage data as per your need.

• Effective for all audience sizes of sample- Questionnaires allow you to gather information from an audience of any size. You can target a small group to gather information in a local event or a large group for the study that requires a wider range of participants.

#### **Disadvantages of designing a questionnaire-**[2]

- Issues of dishonesty- Respondents might not be completely truthful in their answers. This can happen as a result of trying to fit some social role or to protect their own privacy.
- Emotional responses- Emotions can alter a respondent's interpretation of a question and their possible answer.
- Biasness- If an individual does not like a question or the larger ideas behind the survey, they could purposefully alter their responses to fit their own bias.
- Difficulties of interpretation: One issue could be the difference between how you develop a question and how a respondent might interpret it.
- Lack of personalization- Surveys can sometimes come across as impersonal. This lack of customization might lead potential respondents to ignore the survey or not put much effort into providing answers.

## 12.6 STEPS TO DESIGN A SURVEY

Survey research is a type of research design that has two important characteristics. First, the variables of interest that are measured using self-reports. These self-reports are gathered by questionnaires, either completed independently by a participant or administered by a member of a research team. Second, often survey research is conducted to understand something about a larger population; remember, this is known as generalizing results. Consequently, considerable attention is paid to the type of sampling (data collection) and the number of cases used. In general, researchers using a survey design have a preference for large randomly selected number of samples. Survey research is common to gather a variety of information. [4] Survey research is best suited for studies that have individual people as the unit of analysis. However, other units of analysis, such as families, groups, organizations, or communities may also be used in survey research. Most survey research is used to describe single variables (e.g., voter preferences, motivation, or social support) and to assess statistical relationships between variables (e.g., the relationship between income and health). [4]

## 12.7 DATA HANDLING AND INFORMATION GENERATION

### Types of survey data-

Different types of questions in a survey come with different considerations that you should take into account. Most survey questions can be grouped into four types, as- Categorical Scale Data; Ordinal Scale Data; Interval Scale Data; and Ratio Scale Data.

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#### [1] Categorical Scale Data-

Categorical data allows you to answer using a list of specific names or labels or categories, i.e. Gender, Age group, Educational level, etc. Categorical data is easiest to analyze where you can present such data using frequency count, percentage, etc.

[2] Ordinal Scale Data-

Ordinal data is any type of question where the responses only make sense as an order.

For example:

"How much do you use our product?"

Answer:

Never

Rarely

Sometimes

Often

Always

One important consideration when analyzing ordinal data is being cognizant that order matters. If it is possible, randomly flip the order of answers for each survey taker.

### [3] Interval Scale Data-

Interval data needs to be ordered and the distance between the values needs to be meaningful. For example:

An interval data question would be, "What is your budget?" where the answers would be a predetermined set of prices like "<5k, 10k, 15k".

It is best to use equally-sized intervals if possible because it makes it possible to use averages on the data and more clearly visualize the summary of the data. If intervals are not equal sizes, then it should be treated as categorical data.

### [4] Ratio Scale Data-

Ratio data is the richest form of survey data. A ratio scale ranks the highest in the four "levels of measurement". The ratio scale has all the qualities of nominal, ordinal, and interval scale. On a ratio scale, the data obtained can not only be categorized and ranked but also have equal intervals. A ratio scale has a true zero, that is, the zero possesses a meaningful value. The true zero value in a ratio scale makes it possible to describe the amount of magnitude.

The common example of a ratio scale is length, duration, mass, money age, etc. For the purpose of marketing research, a ratio scale can be useful to evaluate sales, price, share, and a number of customers.

## 12.8 POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Feedback and reviews are the vital part of learner's skillset or organizational improvement.
- Feedback helps to optimize work processes and give future directions, so that one can develop strategies accordingly.
- A survey is a research method used for collecting data from a predefined group of participants to gain information and insights into various topics of interest.
- The communication process depends on a series of components that are always present. If you remove one or more, the process disintegrates. Such components are- a source, a receiver, a message, and a channel or multiples of each in divergent ratios of signal strength and clarity.

# 12.9 GLOSSARY

- Categorical Scale Data- Categorical data allows you to answer using a list of specific names or labels or categories, i.e. Gender, Age group, Educational level, etc.
- Ordinal scale data- It is a categorical, statistical data type where the variables have natural, ordered categories and the distances between the categories are not known.
- Interval Scale Data- Interval data needs to be ordered and the distance between the values needs to be meaningful.
- Ratio data- It is the richest form of survey data. A ratio scale ranks the highest in the four "levels of measurement".

## 12.10 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- a) Define the different types of feedback collection methods.
- b) How to design a good survey?
- c) Explain the role of feedback in improving organizational growth?
- d) Define the types of survey data.

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