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Administrivia

- One more homework on Web (Homework 9) — asks you to summarize / reflect on what you learned in the course. Official due date Wednesday, but accepted through date of “final” (project presentations).
- If you haven’t turned in all homework — do so no later than May 8.

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More About CGI Scripts

- Missing link from previous lecture: CGI programs get input via environment variable or standard input, but where does it come from?
- Usual answer — HTML “form” (FORM tag). See examples linked from “Sample programs” page.
- Input, as example shows, is in the form of variable=value pairs. Parsing this could be a pain, so might best to do this in a language that provides nice library functions for it (e.g., Perl), and/or search for appropriate already-written functions in your programming language of choice.

Other Ways to Generate “Active Content” for the Web

- CGI scripts (in your programming language of choice) are one way.
- Other ways include Javascript, PHP, Java applets, etc., etc.

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Minute Essay

- Have you written “active content” Web pages? using what?

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