

# Scripting for Multimedia

LECTURE 17: PLAYING AUDIO

# Audio formats

- The most common formats
  - Ogg/Vorbis (.oga, .ogg extension)
  - MP3 (.mp3 extension)
  - MP4 (.mp4, .mp4a, .aac extension)
  - WAV (.wav extension)

# The <audio> elements

- It is used to play audio

```
<audio controls="controls">  
  <source src="song.mp3" />  
  You need a browser that supports HTML5!  
</audio>
```

# Setting the source

- The `<source>` element specifies an audio source
  - At a minimum, you need to set the `src` attribute to the URL of the video
  - There can be more than one `<source>` element

```
<audio id="audio" controls="controls">
  <source src="media/kittycat.oga" type='audio/ogg; codecs="vorbis"' />
  <source src="media/kittycat.wav" type='audio/wav; codecs="1"' />
  <source src="media/kittycat.mp3" type='audio/mpeg; codecs="mp3"' />
</audio>
```
- The recommended order
  - .oga
  - .wav
  - .mp3

# Configuring the <video> element

- Attributes for <audio> element
  - autoplay
  - controls
  - loop
  - preload
  - src

## ✓ Quick check

You want to repeat the audio continuously when it completes. Which attribute must you set?

