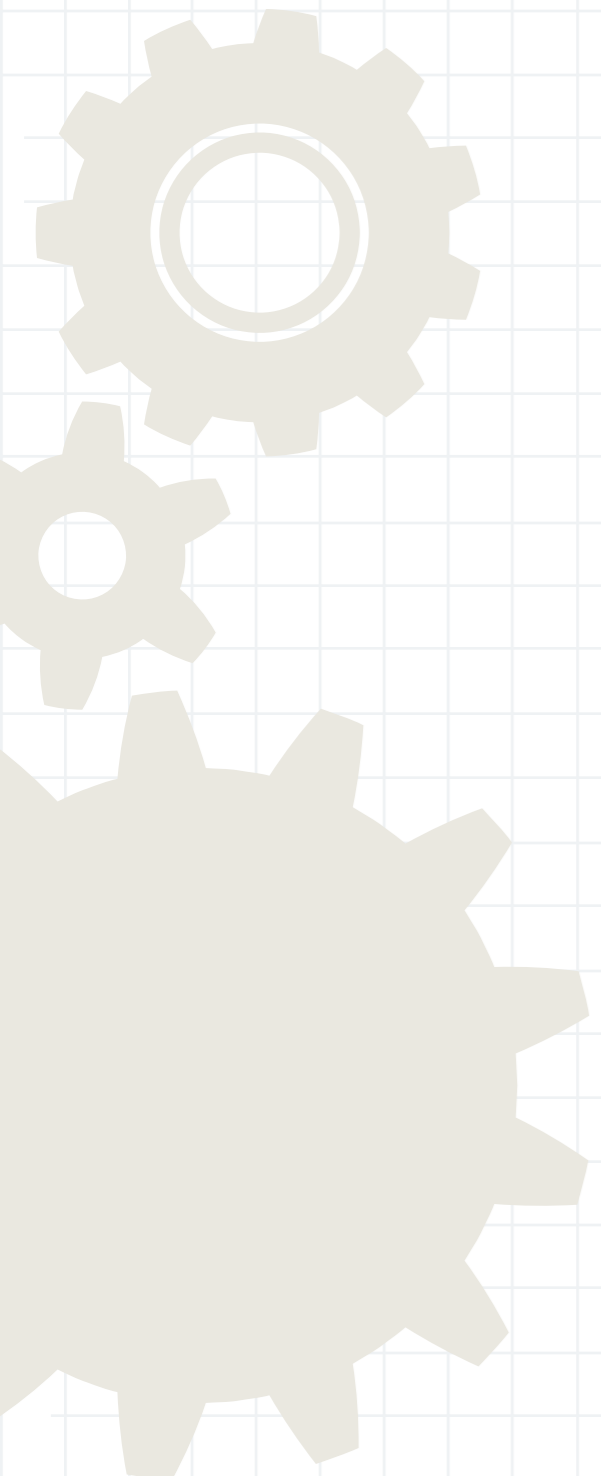# DRUPAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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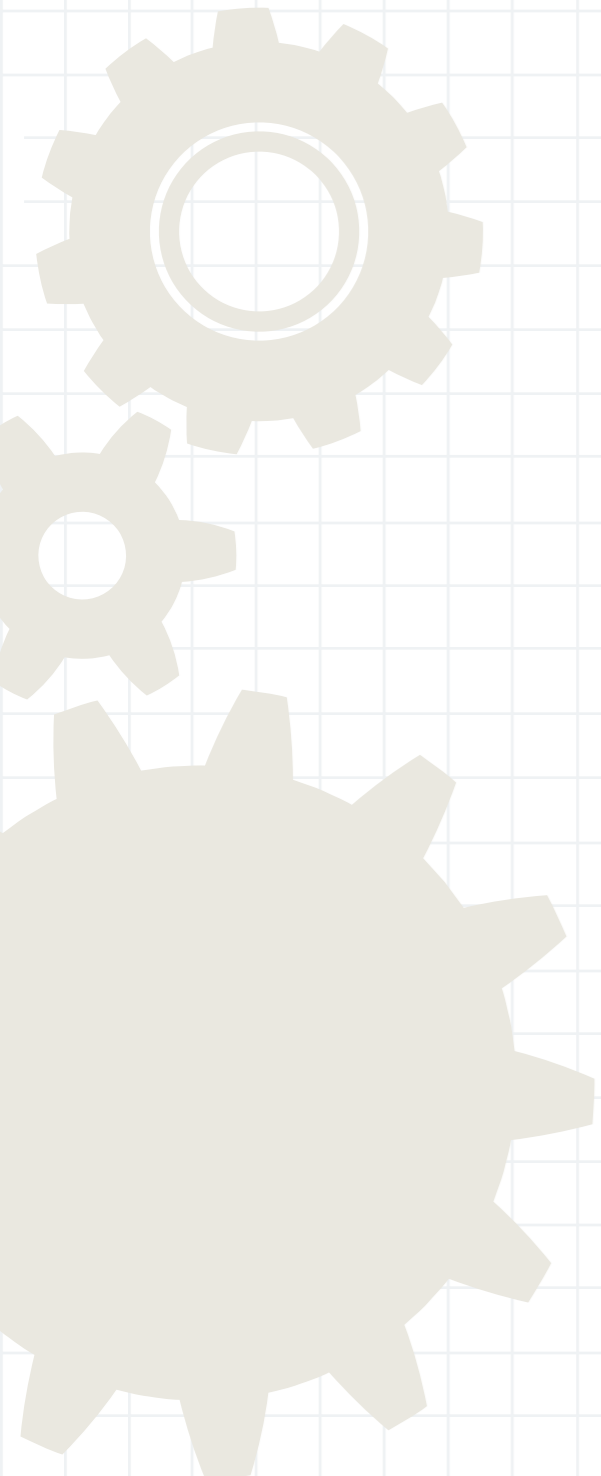
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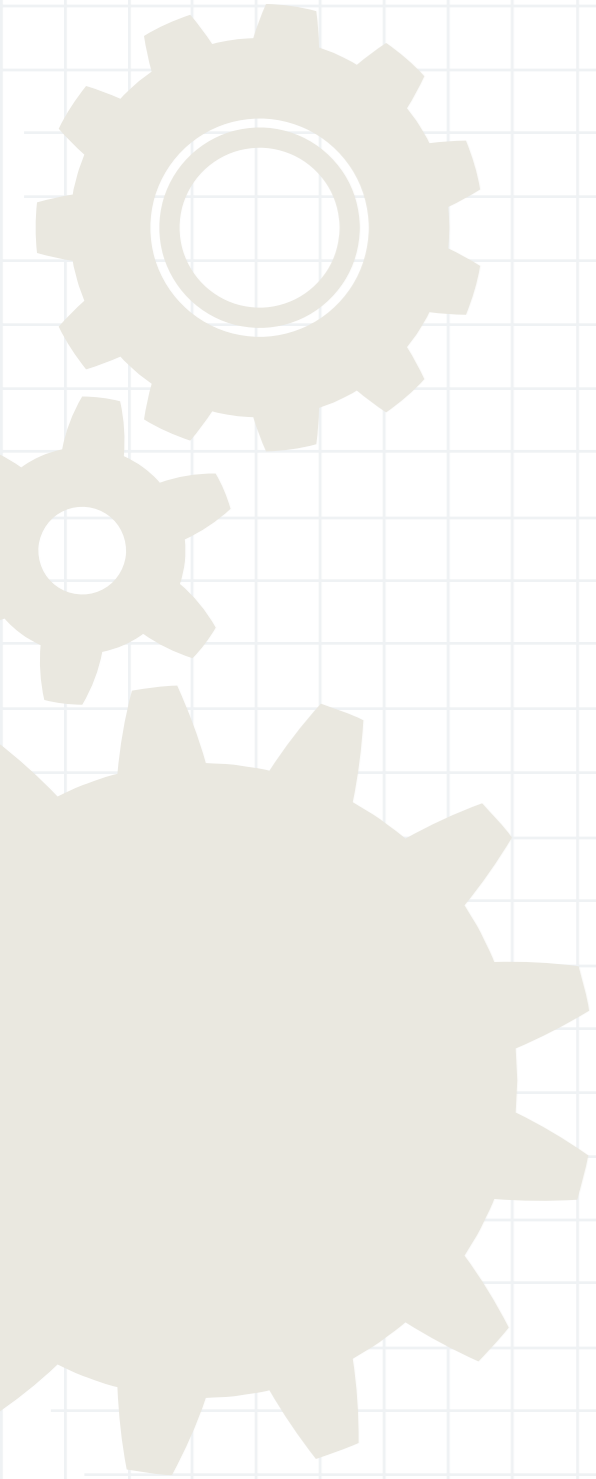Graphic Designer I / College of Business

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SESSION OVERVIEW

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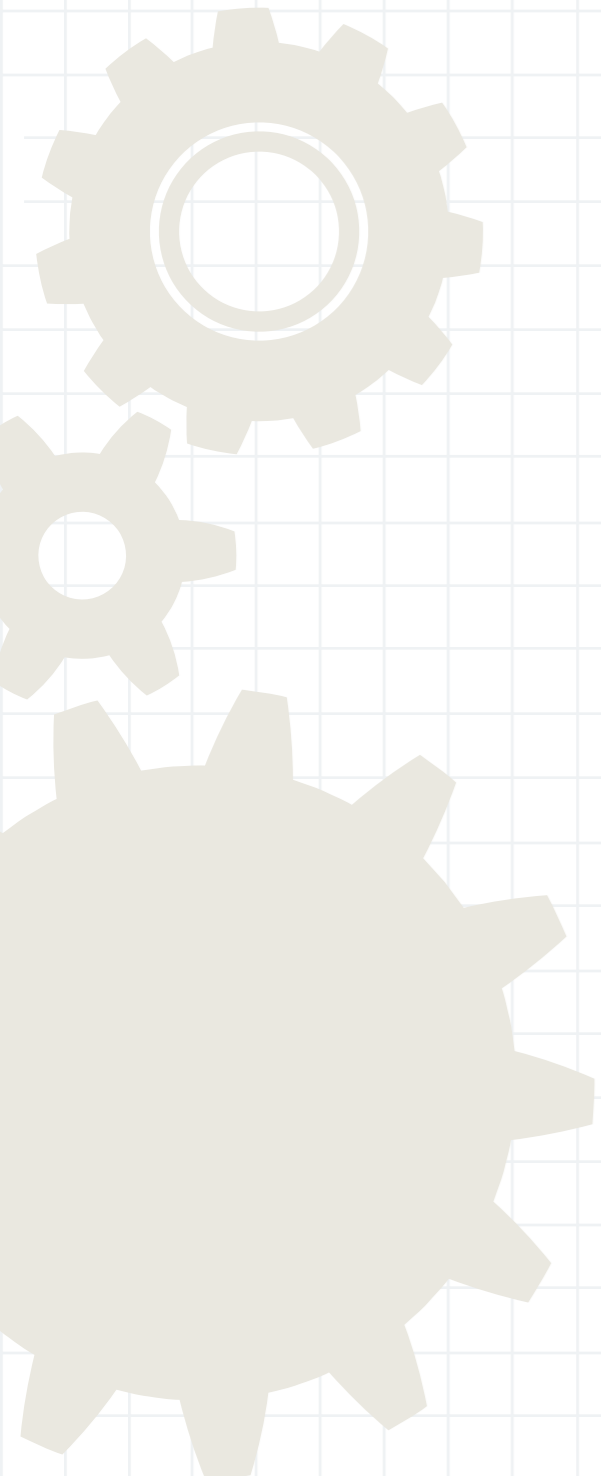**You are part of a small web development business and are tasked to design a 20 page website.**

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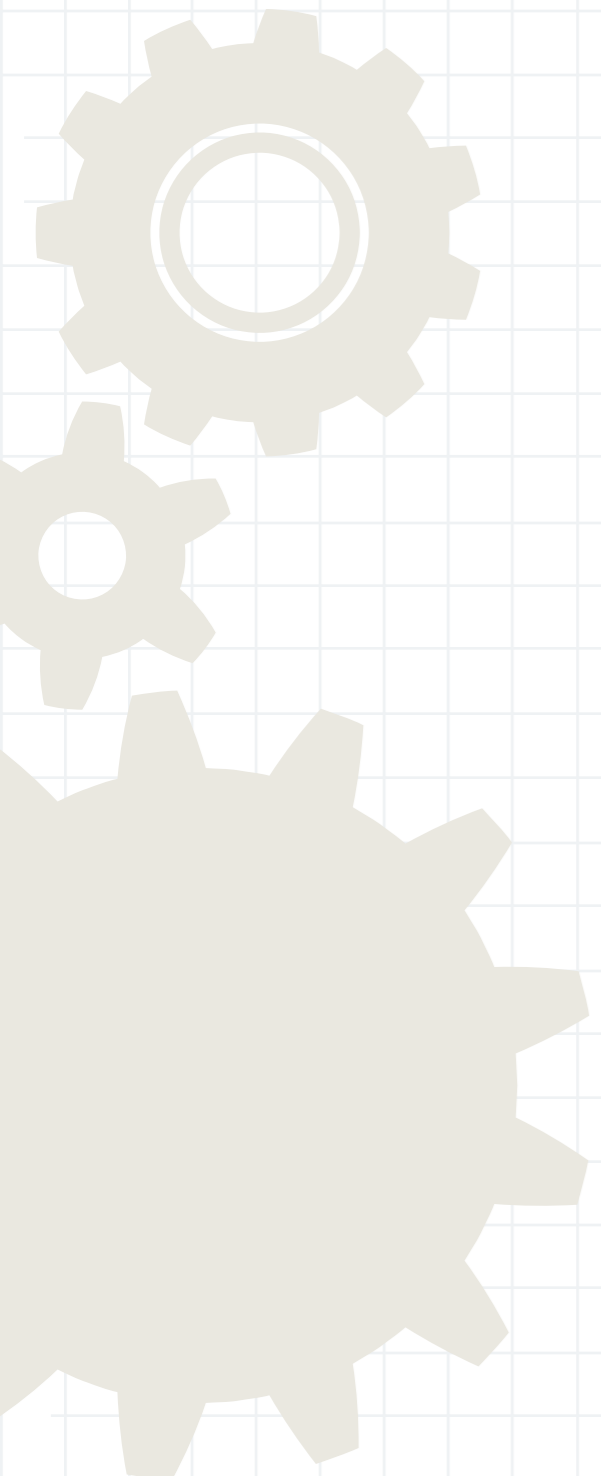
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– Discuss how your team should handle the situation.

What have you already done that helps the situation?

Or what have you done to potentially hurt it?

(5 minutes)

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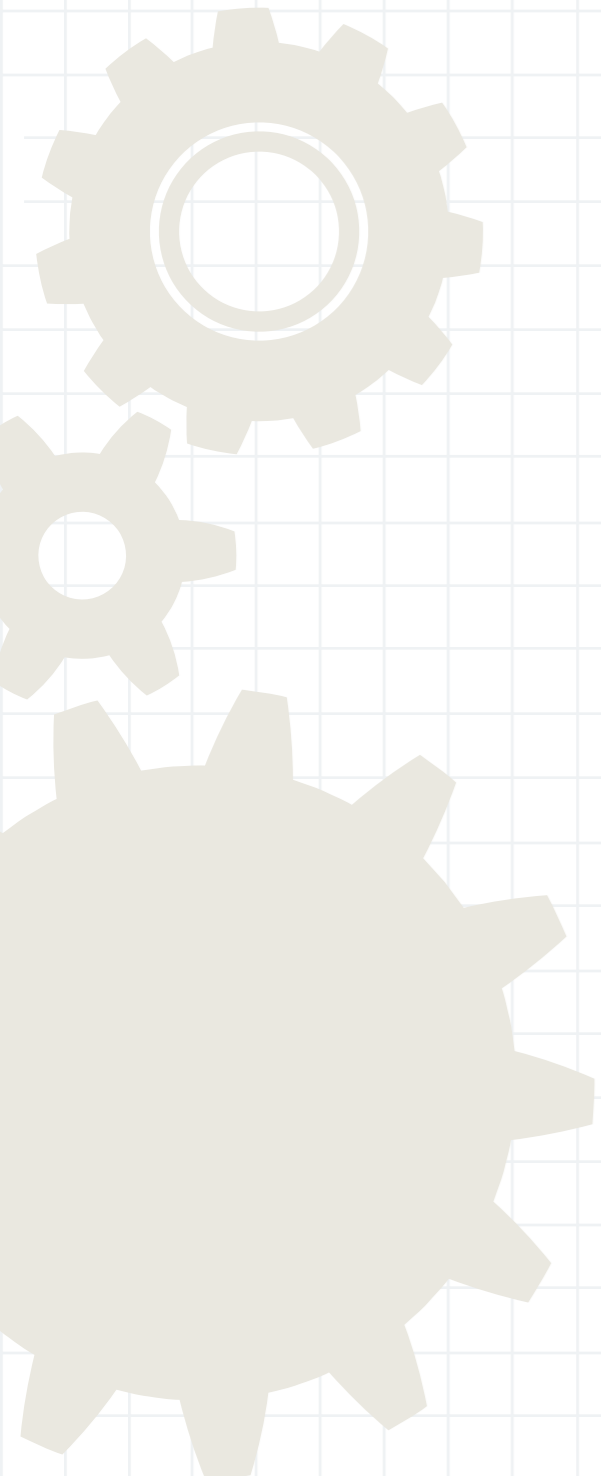
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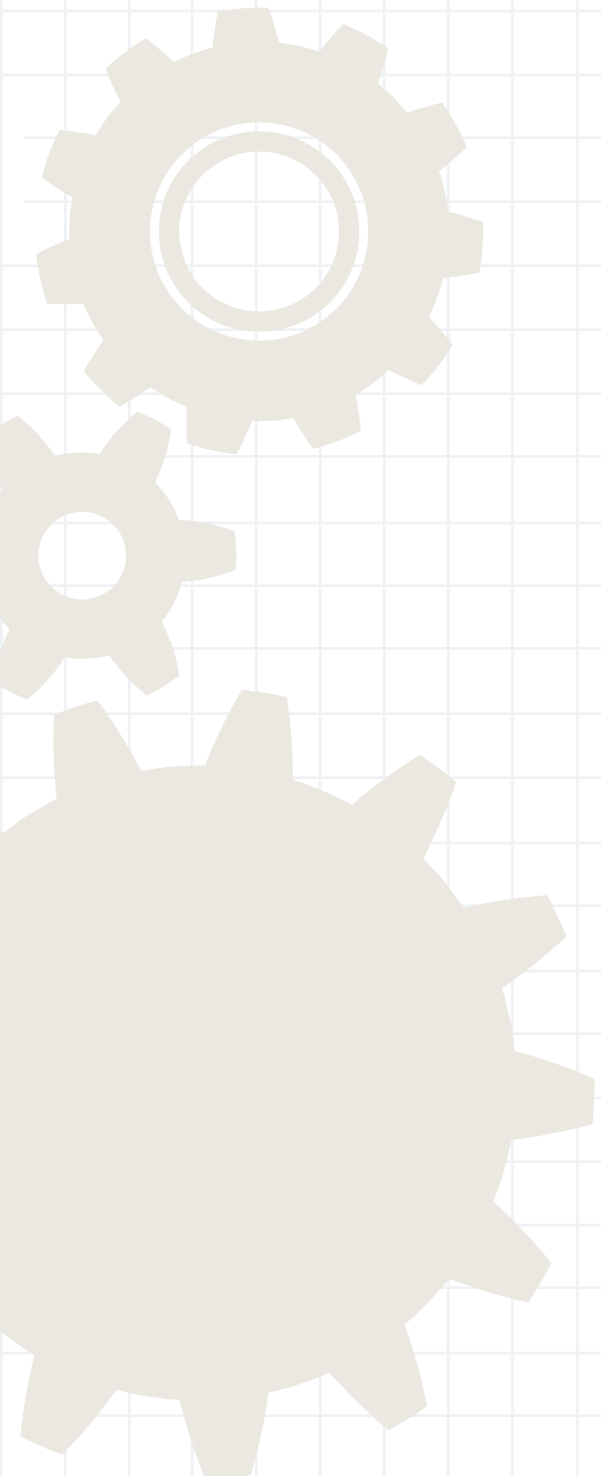
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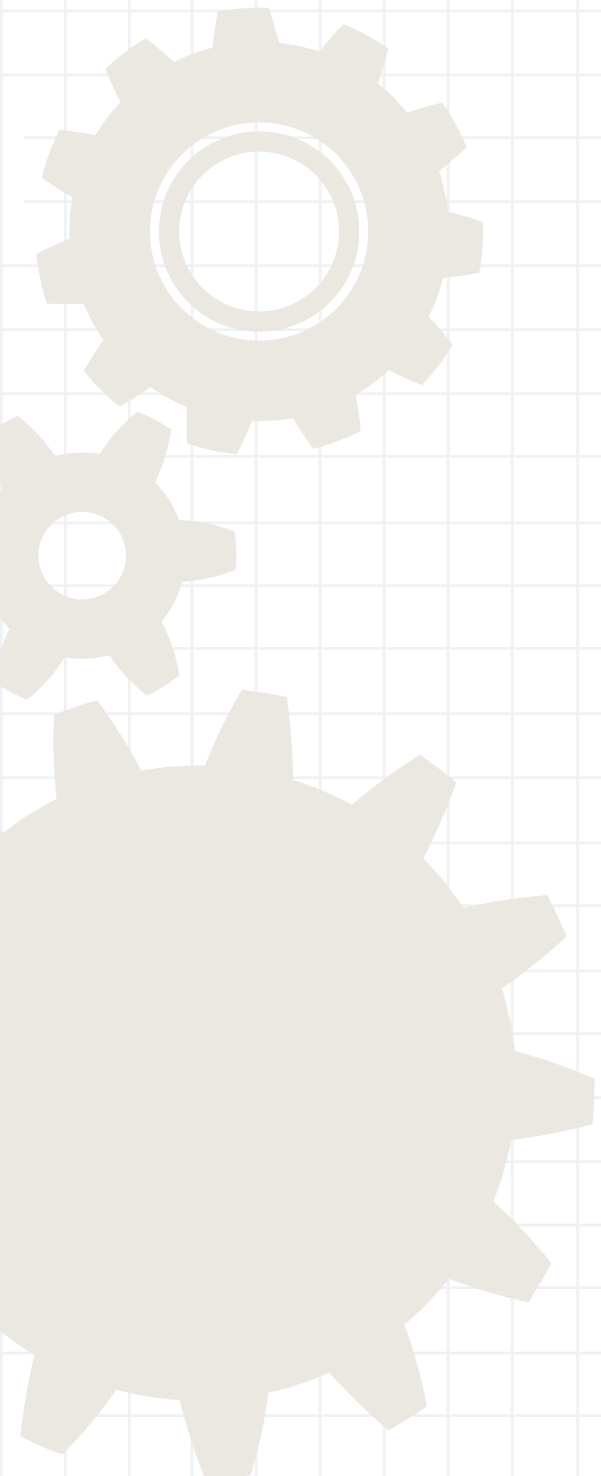> Example: Use modules that are up to date and have record of being updated frequently.

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OUR PROJECT MANAGEMENT SUCCESSES

Use a project management system.

Understand working styles of everyone on the team and be an empathic listener.

Apply steady, constant pressure to team members — don't be overbearing, let the project happen but keep it on track.

Have clear milestones and stick to them.

A brief should be just that – brief. Create one so the focus is not lost.

Use branding guidelines to back up your work.

Communicate consistently and frequently to the clients, the designers, the developers, and everyone in between.

RESOURCES / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Adobe Browser Lab

> www.browserlab.adobe.com.com

Balsamiq

> www.balsamiq.com

Fogbugz

> www.fogcreek.com/fogbugz

How to Design with Grids

> www.smashingmagazine.com/2007/04/14/
designing-with-grid-based-approach

Site Improve

> www.siteimprove.com

Word 2 Clean HTML

> www.word2cleanhtml.com

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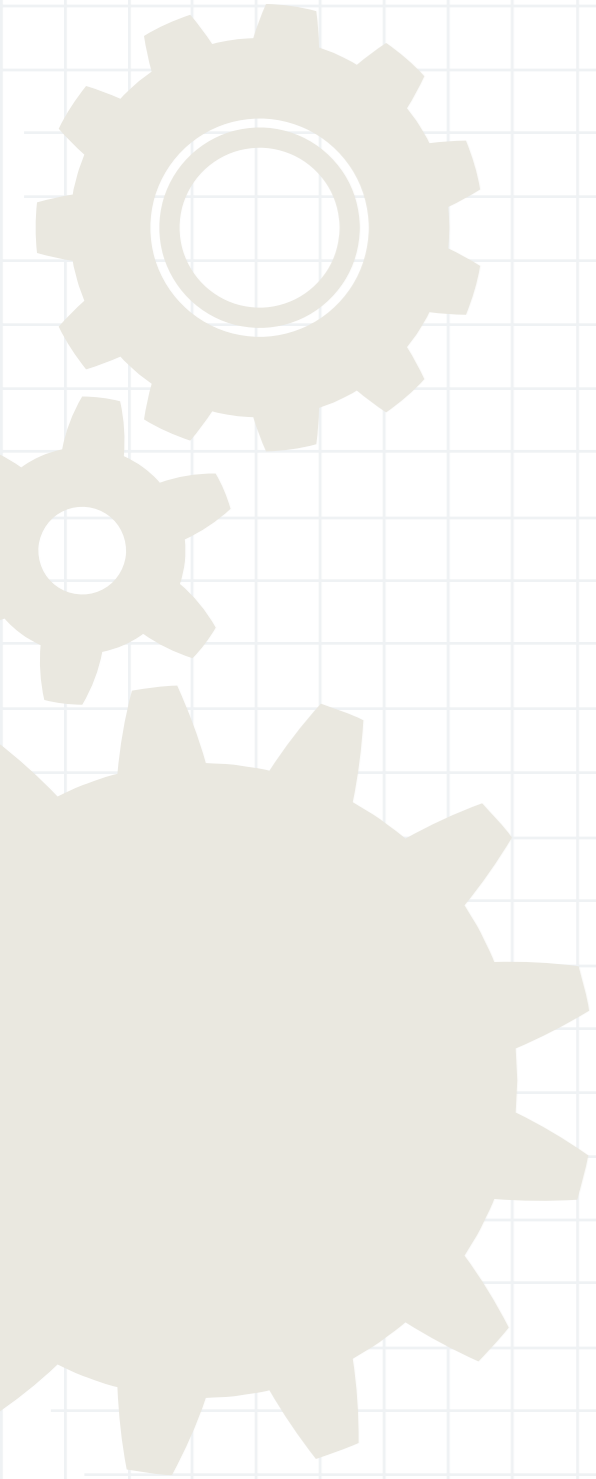
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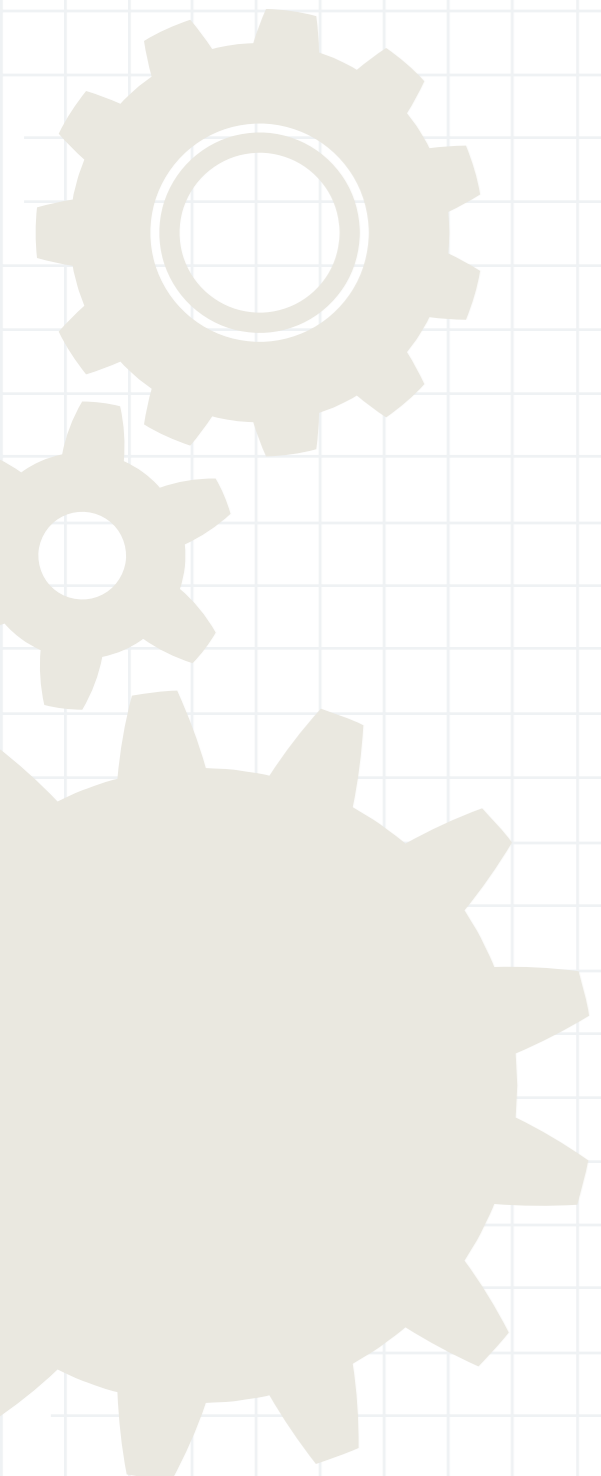
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