What are Pseudo-classes?

A pseudo-class is used to define a special state of an element.

For example, it can be used to:

- Style an element when a user mouses over it
- · Style visited and unvisited links differently
- · Style an element when it gets focus

Mouse Over Me Click Me To Get Focus

Syntax

The syntax of pseudo-classes:

```
selector:pseudo-class {
  property: value;
}
```

Anchor Pseudo-classes

Links can be displayed in different ways:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<style>
/* unvisited link */
a:link {
 color: red;
}
/* visited link */
a:visited {
 color: green;
}
/* mouse over link */
a:hover {
 color: hotpink;
/* selected link */
a:active {
 color: blue;
</style>
</head>
<body>
<h2>CSS Links</h2>
<b><a href="default.asp"
target="_blank">This is a
link</a></b>
</body>
</html>
```

CSS Links

This is a link

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<style>
div {
 background-color: green;
 color: white;
 padding: 25px;
  text-align: center;
div:hover {
  background-color: blue;
</style>
</head>
<body>
Mouse over the div element
below to change its
background color:
<div>Mouse Over Me</div>
</body>
</html>
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Mouse over the div element below to change its background color:

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CSS gradients let you display smooth transitions between two or more specified colors.

CSS defines two types of gradients:

- Linear Gradients (goes down/up/left/right/diagonally)
- Radial Gradients (defined by their center)

CSS Linear Gradients

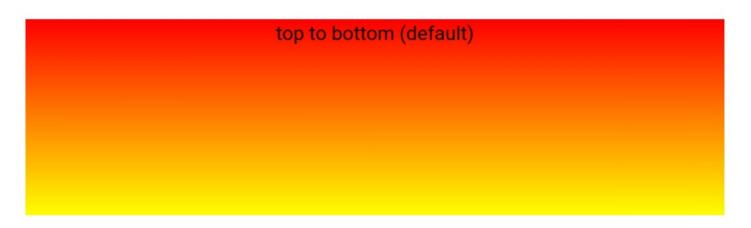
To create a linear gradient you must define at least two color stops. Color stops are the colors you want to render smooth transitions among. You can also set a starting point and a direction (or an angle) along with the gradient effect.

Syntax

```
background-image: linear-gradient(direction, color-
stop1, color-stop2, ...);
```

Direction - Top to Bottom (this is default)

The following example shows a linear gradient that starts at the top. It starts red, transitioning to yellow:



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<style>
#grad1 {
  height: 200px;
  background-color: red; /*
For browsers that do not
support gradients */
  background-image: linear-
gradient(red, yellow);
</style>
</head>
<body>
<h1>Linear Gradient - Top to
Bottom</h1>
This linear gradient
starts red at the top,
transitioning to yellow at
the bottom:
<div id="grad1"></div>
</body>
</html>
```

Linear Gradient - Top to Bottom

This linear gradient starts red at the top, transitioning to yellow at the bottom:



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</style>
</head>
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<div id="grad1"></div>
</body>
</html>
```

Linear Gradient - Top to Bottom

This linear gradient starts red at the top, transitioning to yellow at the bottom:



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<style>
#grad1 {
  height: 55px;
  background-color: red; /*
For browsers that do not
support gradients */
  background-image: linear-
gradient(to right, red,
orange, yellow, green, blue,
indigo, violet);
</style>
</head>
<body>
<div id="grad1" style="text-
align:center;margin:auto;colo
r:#888888; font-
size:40px;font-weight:bold">
Rainbow Background
</div>
</body>
</html>
```

Rainbow Background