



CSC-318

Web Technology

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Layouts and Positioning

- Positioning Properties
 - Position
 - Float
 - Display
 - Flex Properties

Inline Elements

- does not start on a new line and only takes up as much width as necessary

First Block

Second Block

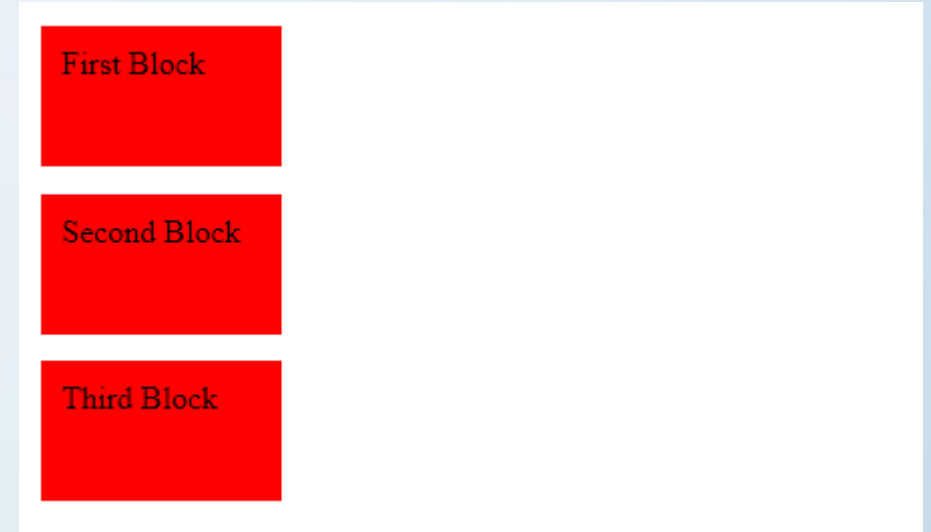
Third Block

```
<style type="text/css">
  body{margin-top: 100px;}
  div{
    width: 100px; height: 50px; margin: 10px;
    background: red;padding: 10px;margin-top: 1%;
  }
  div:first-child{display: inline;}
  div:nth-child(2){display: inline;}
  div:nth-child(3){display: inline;}
</style>

<div>First Block</div>
<div>Second Block</div>
<div>Third Block</div>
```

Block Elements

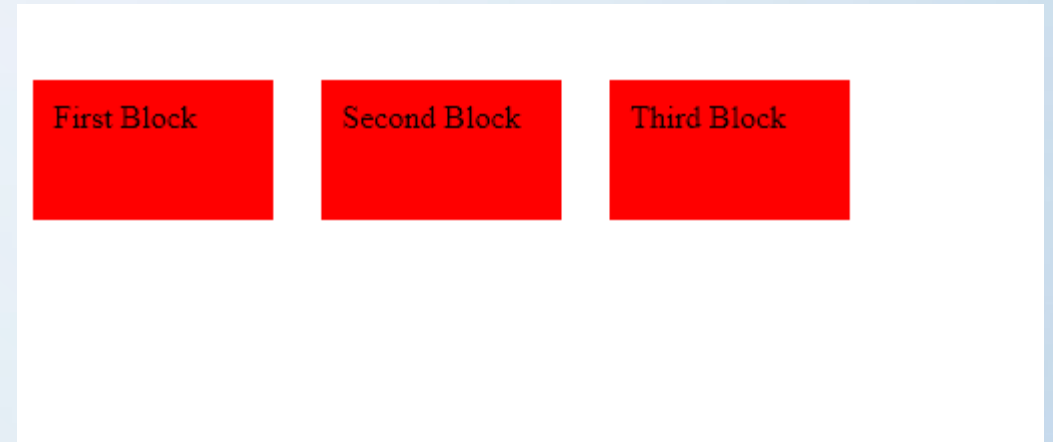
- always starts on a new line and takes up the full width available (stretches out to the left and right as far as it can)



```
div:first-child{display: block;}  
div:nth-child(2){display: block;}  
div:nth-child(3){display: block;}
```

Inline Block Elements

- Displays an element as an inline-level block container
- The inside of this block is formatted as block-level box, and the element itself is formatted as an inline-level box



```
div:first-child{display: inline-block;}  
div:nth-child(2){display: inline-block;}  
div:nth-child(3){display: inline-block;}
```

Display Properties

- specifies the type of rendering box used for an element
- default display property values are taken from behaviors described in the HTML specifications or from the browser/user default stylesheet
- <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/CSS/display>

Syntax

```
1  display: none;
2
3  display: inline;
4  display: block;
5  display: inline-block;
6  display: contents;
7  display: list-item;
8  display: inline-list-item;
9  display: table;
10 display: inline-table;
11 display: table-cell;
12 display: table-column;
13 display: table-column-group;
14 display: table-footer-group;
15 display: table-header-group;
16 display: table-row;
17 display: table-row-group;
18 display: table-caption;
19 display: flex;
20 display: inline-flex;
21 display: grid;
22 display: inline-grid;
```

Position Properties

- position: static
 - The element's box is generated as normal. Block-level elements generate a rectangular box that is part of the document's flow
- position: relative
 - The element's box is offset by some distance. The element retains the shape it would have had were it not positioned, and the space that the element would ordinarily have occupied is preserved
- position: absolute
 - The element's box is completely removed from the flow of the document and positioned with respect to its containing block, which may be another element in the document or the initial containing block

Position Properties

- position: fixed
 - The element's box behaves as though it was set to absolute, but its containing block is the viewport itself

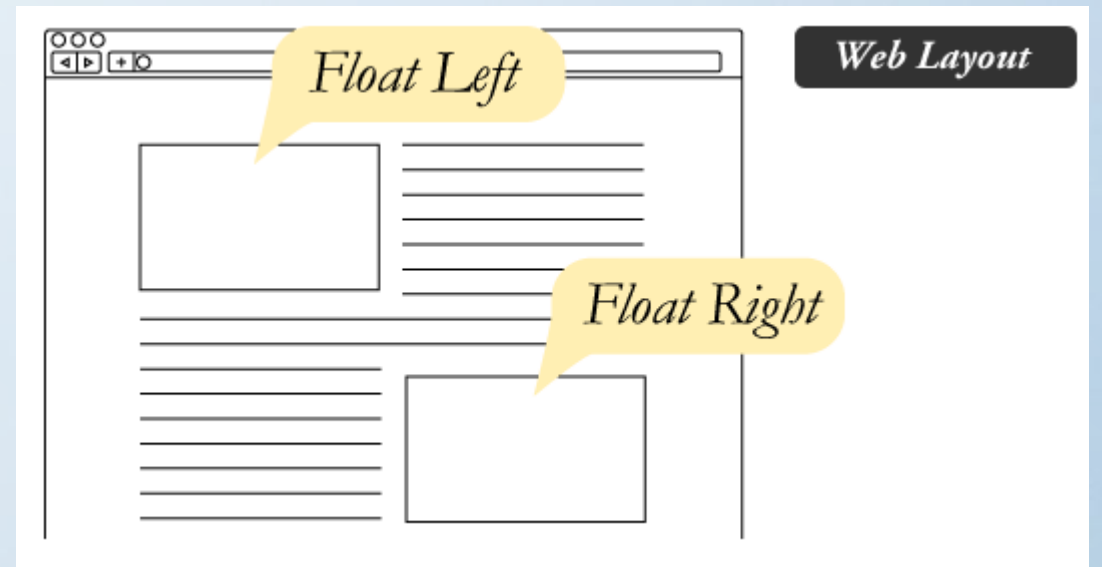
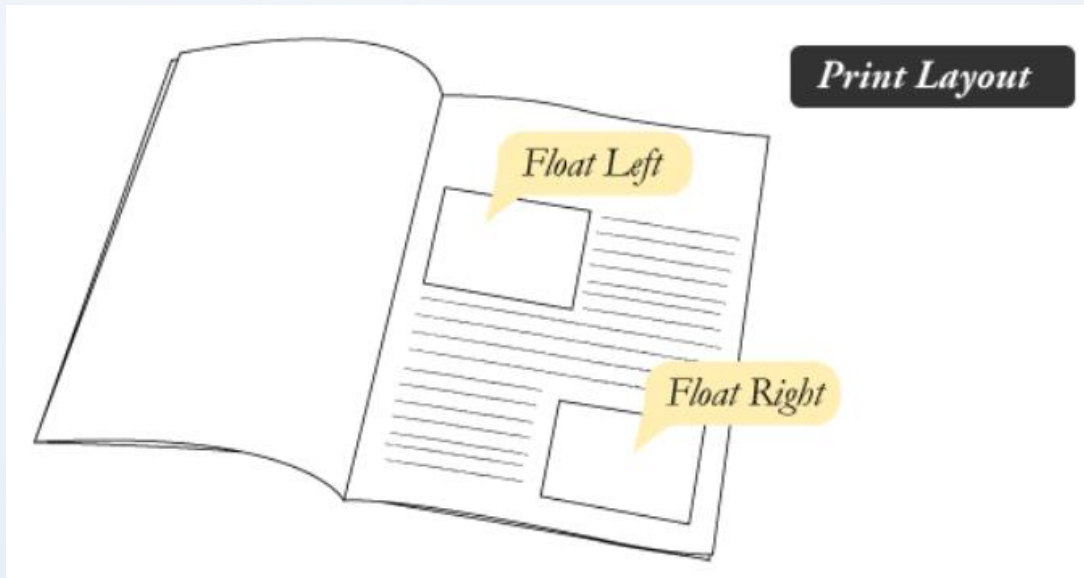
Reference :

<https://css-tricks.com/almanac/properties/p/position/>

Float Properties

- CSS float property specifies how an element should float.
- CSS clear property specifies what elements can float beside the cleared element and on which side
- The float property can have one of the following values
 - left - The element floats to the left of its container
 - right - The element floats to the right of its container
 - none - The element does not float (will be displayed just where it occurs in the text). This is default
 - inherit - The element inherits the float value of its parent

Float Properties



Float Properties

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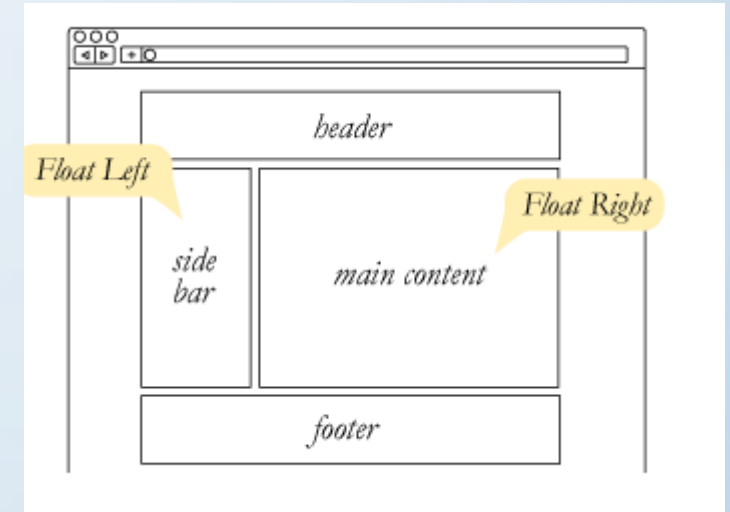
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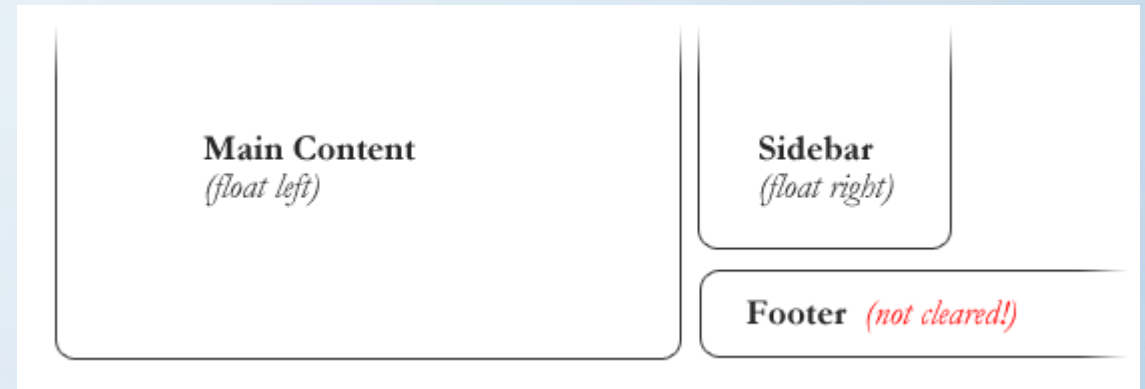


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Clearing the Float

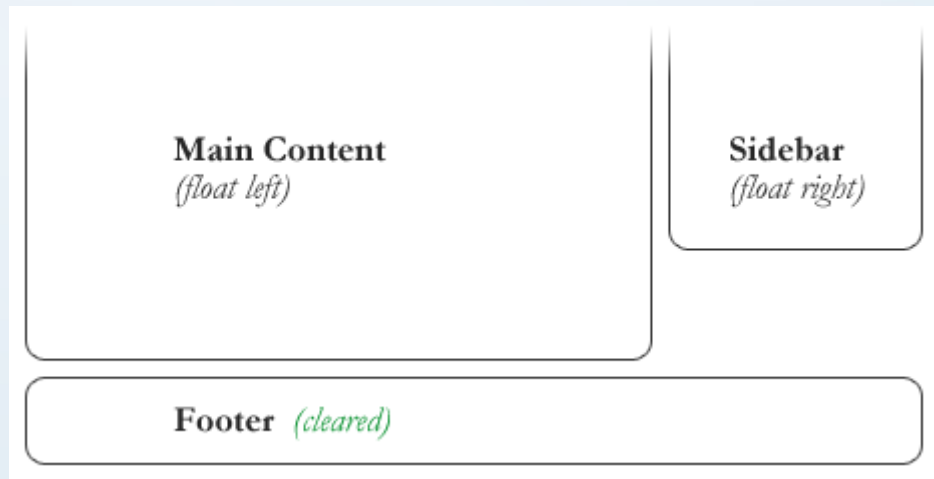
- Float's sister property is clear
- An element that has the clear property set on it will not move up adjacent to the float like the float desires, but will move itself down past the float



- the sidebar is floated to the right and is shorter than the main content area
- The footer then is required to jump up into that available space as is required by the float

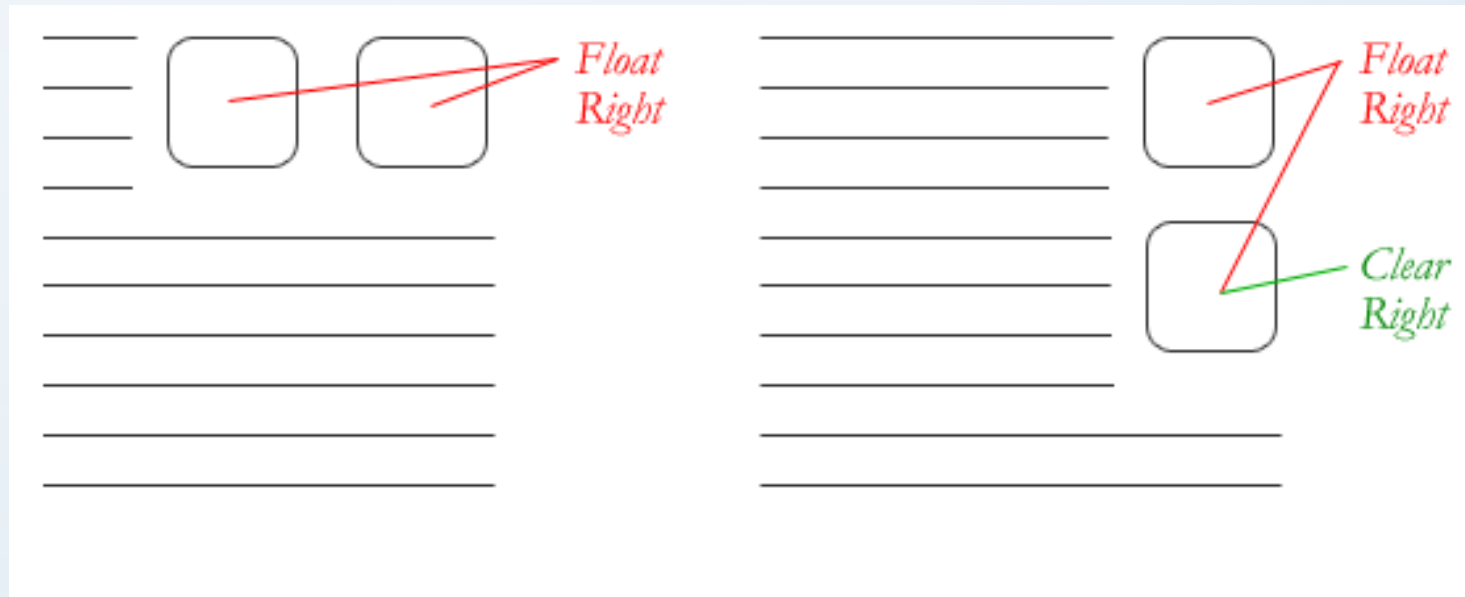
Clearing the Float

- To fix this problem, the footer can be cleared to ensure it stays beneath both floated columns



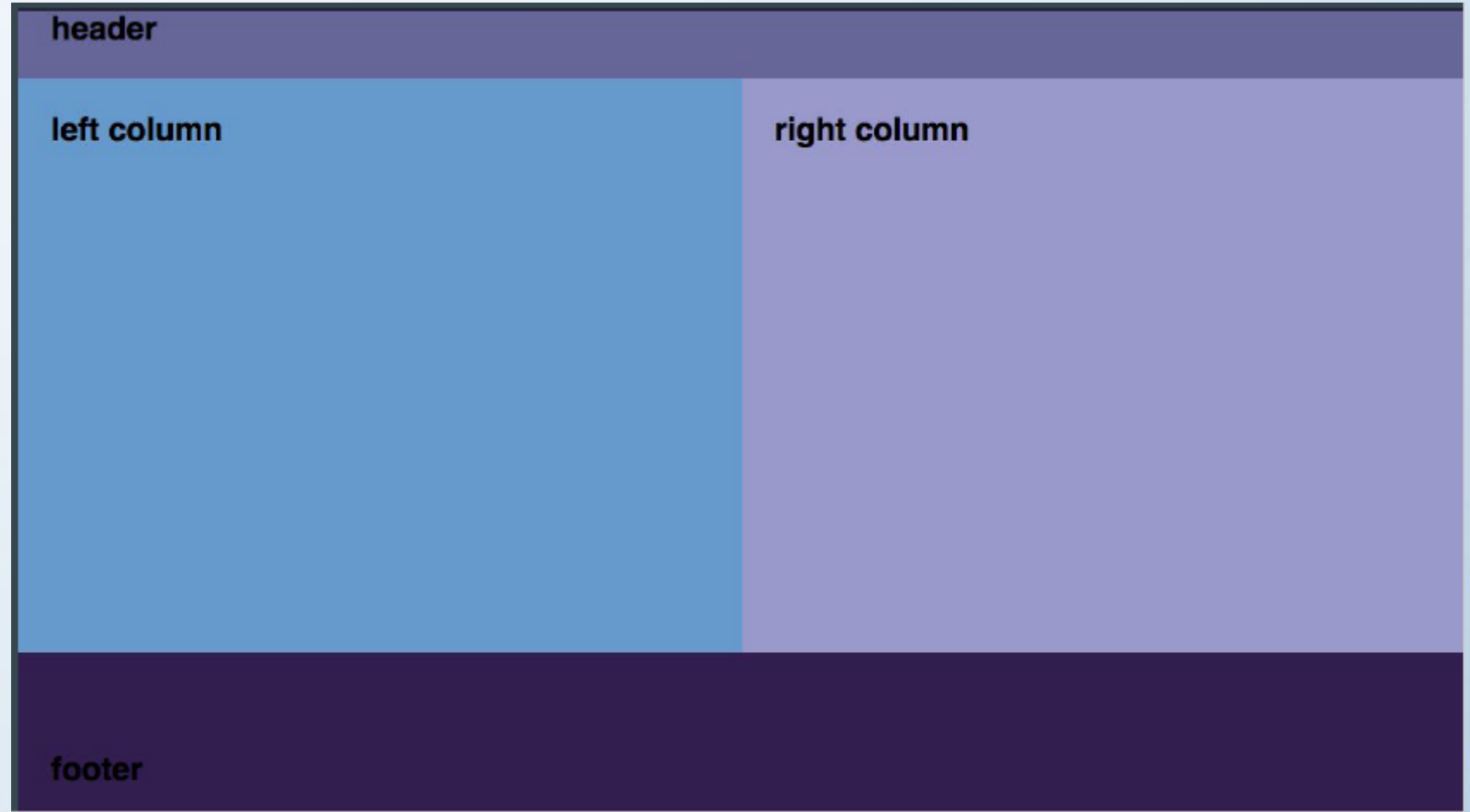
```
#footer {  
    clear: both;  
}
```

Clearing the Float



Simple layout - exercise 1

- Use float properties



Exercise 1 Solution

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <title>Fluid Layout</title>
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/styles.css">
  </head>
  <body>
    <header class="header">
      <h3>Header</h3>
    </header>
    <article class="left-column">
      <h3>Left Column</h3>
    </article>
    <article class="right-column">
      <h3>Right Column</h3>
    </article>
    <footer class="footer">
      <h3>Footer</h3>
    </footer>
  </body>
</html>
```

```
body {
  margin: 0;
  font-family: 'Helvetica', sans-serif; font-size: 1.5em;
  /* about 15 pixels*/
}

h3 { margin: 1em;}

/* Class Selectors */
.header {
  margin-top: -28px; /* push up */ width: 100%;
  /* use percentage to make it fluid*/
  height: 100px; background-color: #669;
}

.left-column {
  width: 50%; height: 500px; float: left; background-color: #69C;
}

.right-column {
  width: 50%; height: 500px; float: right; background-color: #99C;
}

.footer {
  clear: left; margin-bottom: 0; width: 100%; height: 200px;
  background-color: rgb(39, 13, 62);
}
```

Flexbox Properties

Complete Guide to Flexbox: CSS Tricks (Chris Coyier)

<https://css-tricks.com/snippets/css/a-guide-to-flexbox/>

Code Snippets » CSS »

A Complete Guide to Flexbox

BY CHRIS COYIER LAST UPDATED ON OCTOBER 12, 2016

► Background

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container ↘



Properties for the Parent (flex container)

display

This defines a flex container; inline or block depending on the given value. It enables a flex context for all its direct children.

```
css
.container {
  display: flex; /* or inline-flex */
}
```

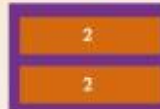
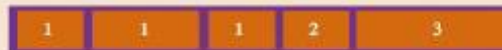
Note that CSS columns have no effect on a flex container.

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Properties for the Children (flex items)

order



Flexbox Properties

- Parent Box CSS (Flex Container)
 - display : flex

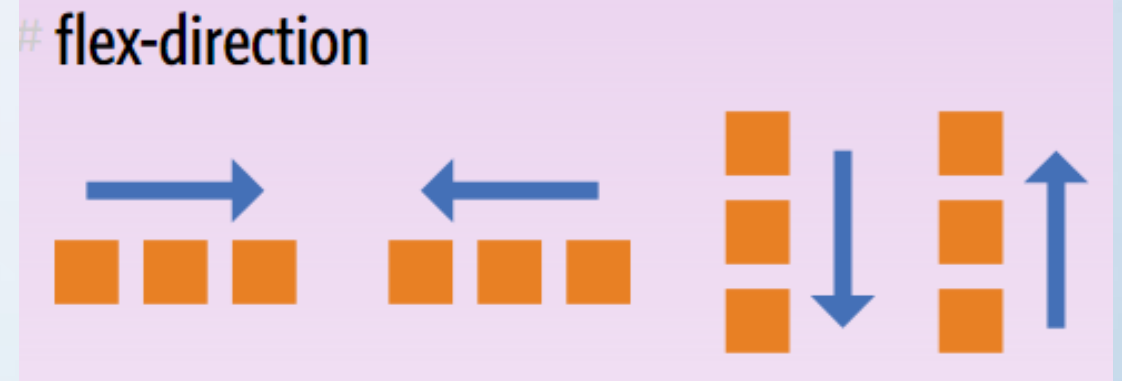
CSS

```
.container {  
  display: flex; /* or inline-flex */  
}
```

Flexbox Properties

- Parent Box CSS (Flex Container)

`flex-direction: row | row-reverse |
column | column-reverse;`



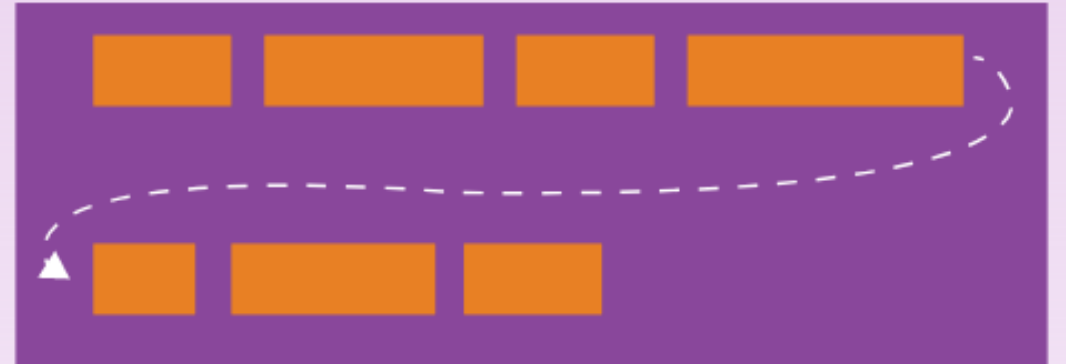
Flexbox Properties

- Parent Box CSS (Flex Container)

CSS

```
.container{  
  flex-wrap: nowrap | wrap | wrap-reverse;  
}
```

flex-wrap



Flexbox Properties

Parent Box CSS (Flex Container)

#justify-content

flex-start



flex-end



center



space-between



space-around



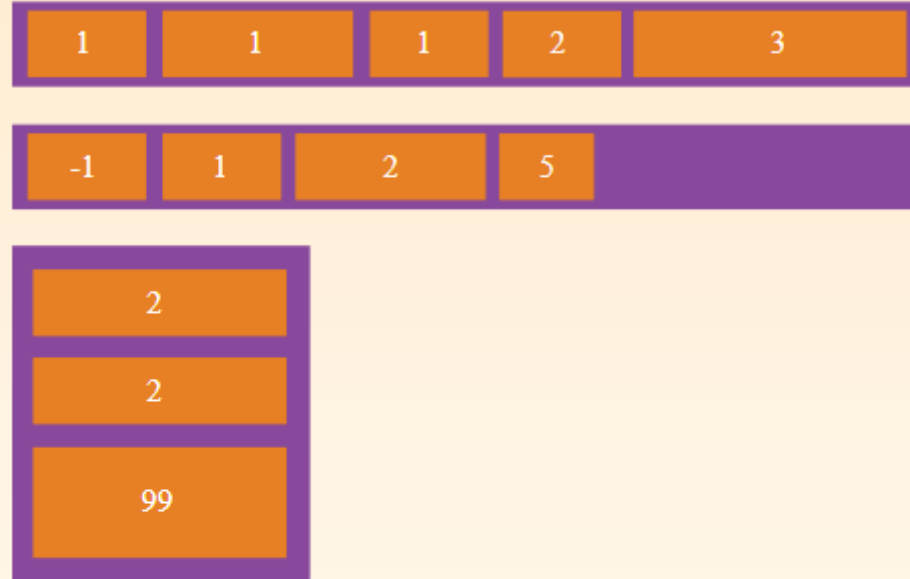
space-evenly



Flexbox Properties

Children Box CSS (Flex Items)

#order



By default, flex items are laid out in the source order. However, the `order` property controls the order in which they appear in the flex container.

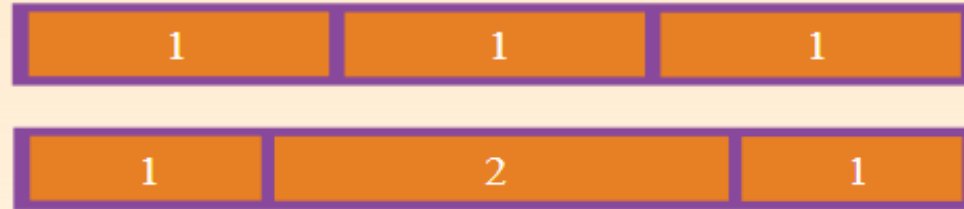
CSS

```
.item {  
  order: <integer>; /* default is 0 */  
}
```


Flexbox Properties

Children Box CSS (Flex Items)

flex-grow



This defines the ability for a flex item to grow if necessary. It accepts a unitless value that serves as a proportion. It dictates what amount of the available space inside the flex container the item should take up.

If all items have `flex-grow` set to 1, the remaining space in the container will be distributed equally to all children. If one of the children has a value of 2, the remaining space would take up twice as much space as the others (or it will try to, at least).

CSS

```
.item {  
  flex-grow: <number>; /* default 0 */  
}
```

Flexbox Properties

Children Box CSS (Flex Items)

flex-shrink

This defines the ability for a flex item to shrink if necessary.

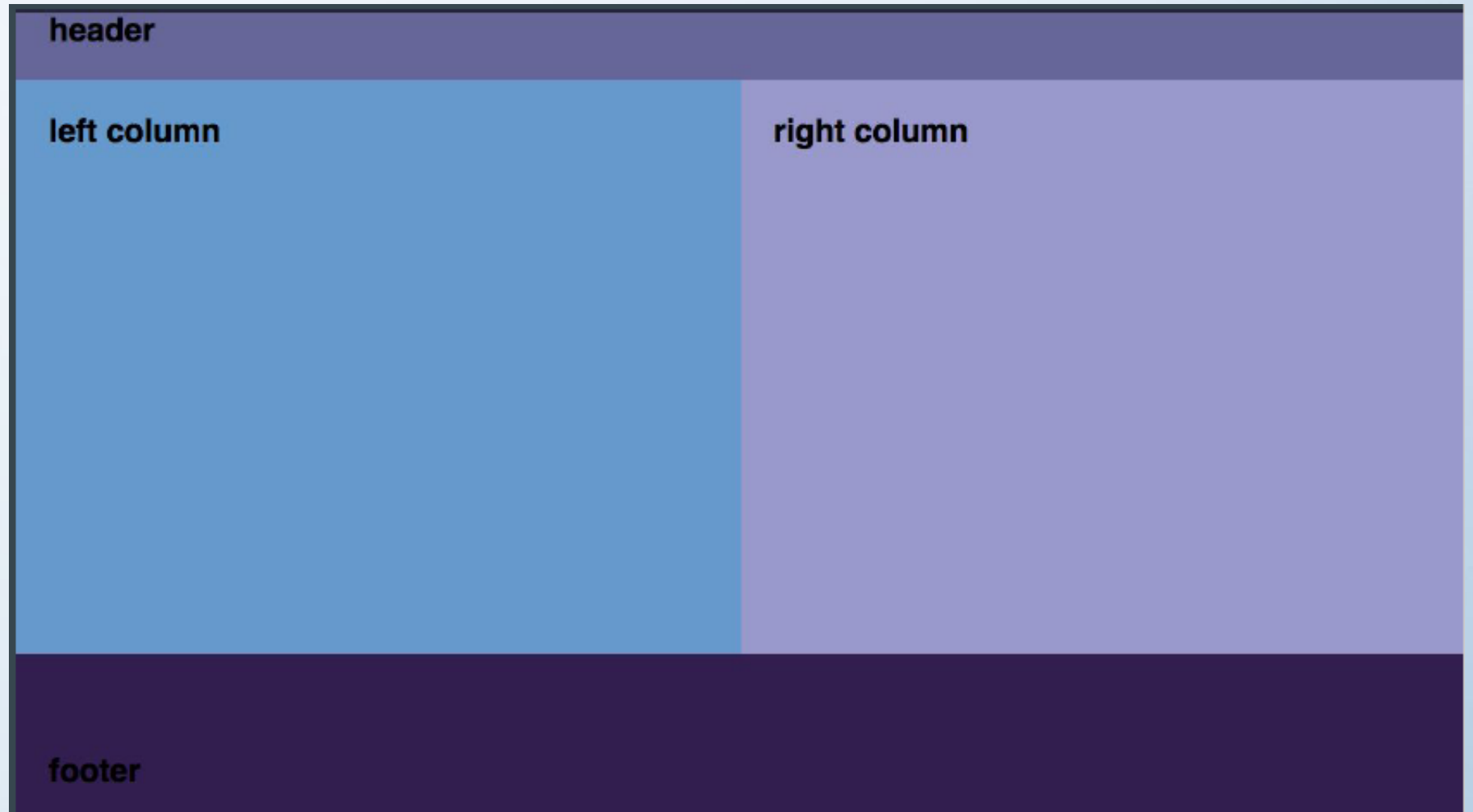
CSS

```
.item {  
  flex-shrink: <number>; /* default 1 */  
}
```

Negative numbers are invalid.

Simple layout - exercise 2

- Use flex properties



Exercise 2 Solution

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <title>Fluid Layout</title>
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/styles.css">
  </head>
  <body>
    <header class="header">
      <h3>Header</h3>
    </header>
    <div class="container">
      <article class="left-column">
        <h3>Left Column</h3>
      </article>
      <article class="right-column">
        <h3>Right Column</h3>
      </article>
    </div>
    <footer class="footer">
      <h3>Footer</h3>
    </footer>
  </body>
</html>
```

```
body {
  margin: 0;
  font-family: 'Helvetica', sans-serif; font-size: 1.5em;
  /* about 15 pixels*/
}
h3 { margin: 1em;}

/* Class Selectors */
.header {
  margin-top: -28px; /* push up */ width: 100%;
  /* use percentage to make it fluid*/
  height: 100px; background-color: #669;
}
.container{
  display: flex; flex-direction: row;
}
.left-column {
  width: 50%; height: 500px; background-color: #69C;
}
.right-column {
  width: 50%; height: 500px; background-color: #99C;
}
.footer {
  margin-bottom: 0; width: 100%;height: 200px;
  background-color: rgb(39, 13, 62);
}
.footer h3{ margin: 0; }
```

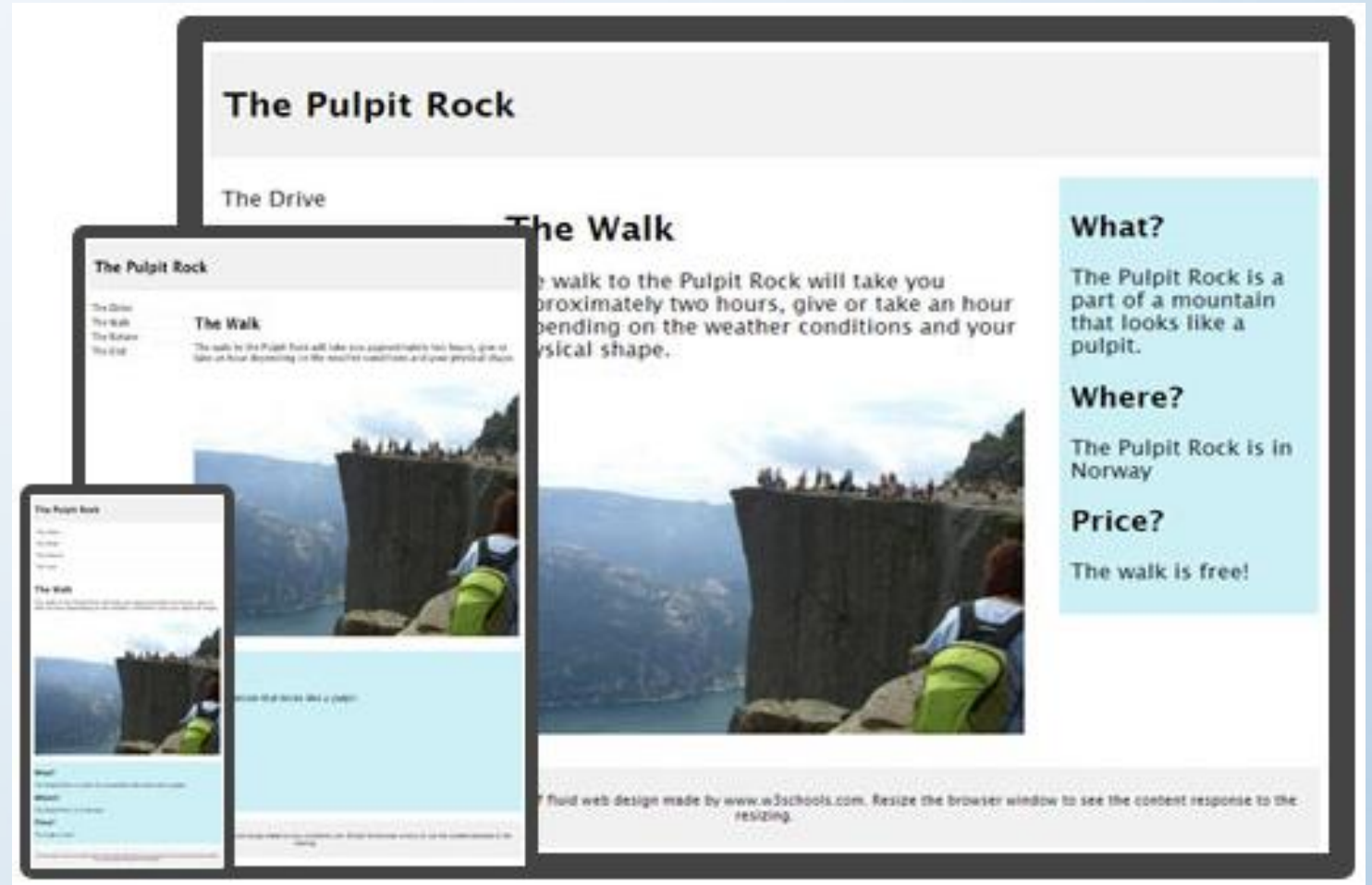
Responsive Web Design

- Responsive vs Adaptive Designs



Responsive Web Design

- Responsive Web Design makes your web page look good on all devices (desktops, tablets, and phones)



Media Queries for Responsive Design

- Include this in head section

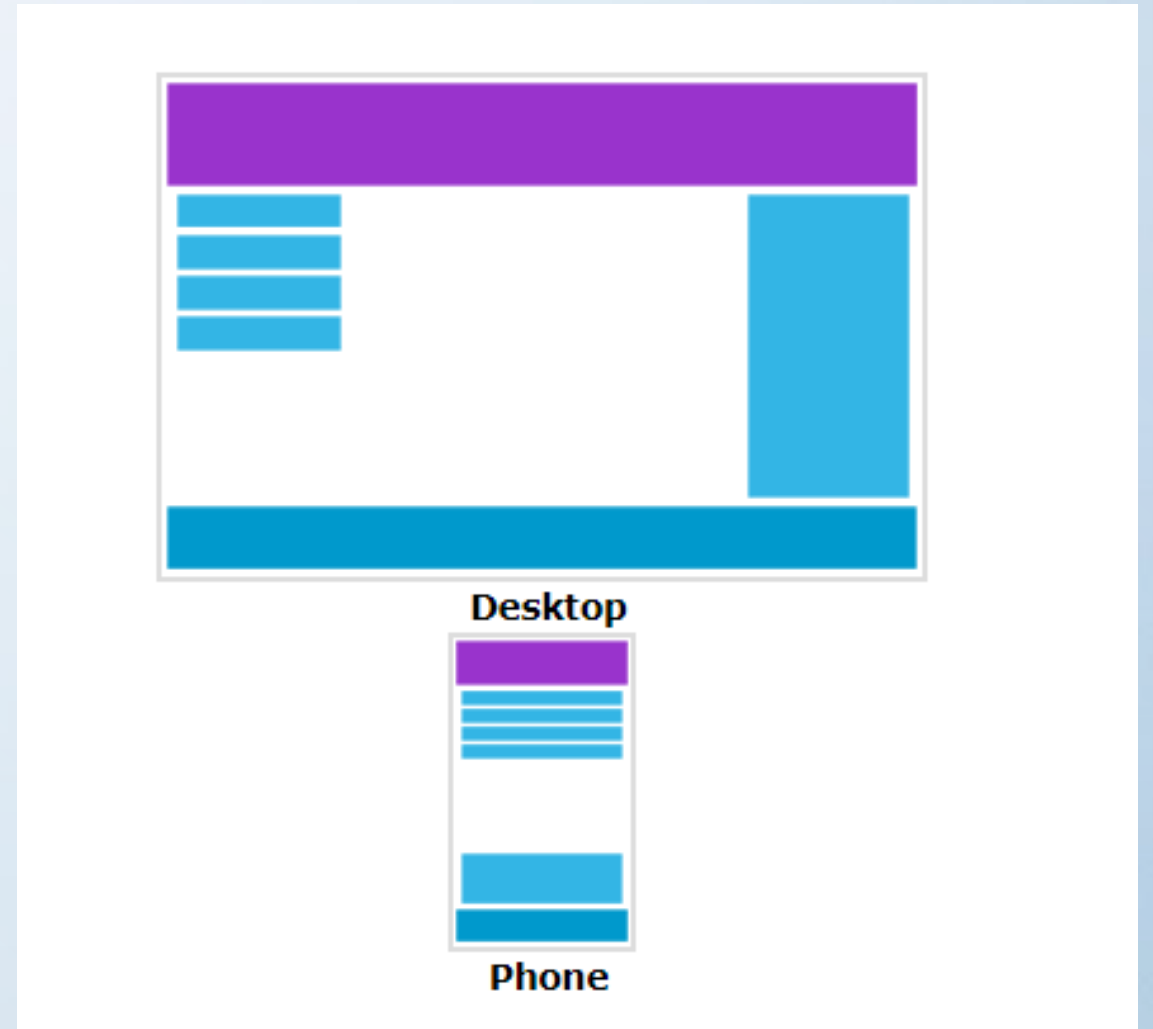
```
<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
```

- With media queries, you can define completely different styles for different browser sizes

Media Queries for Responsive Design

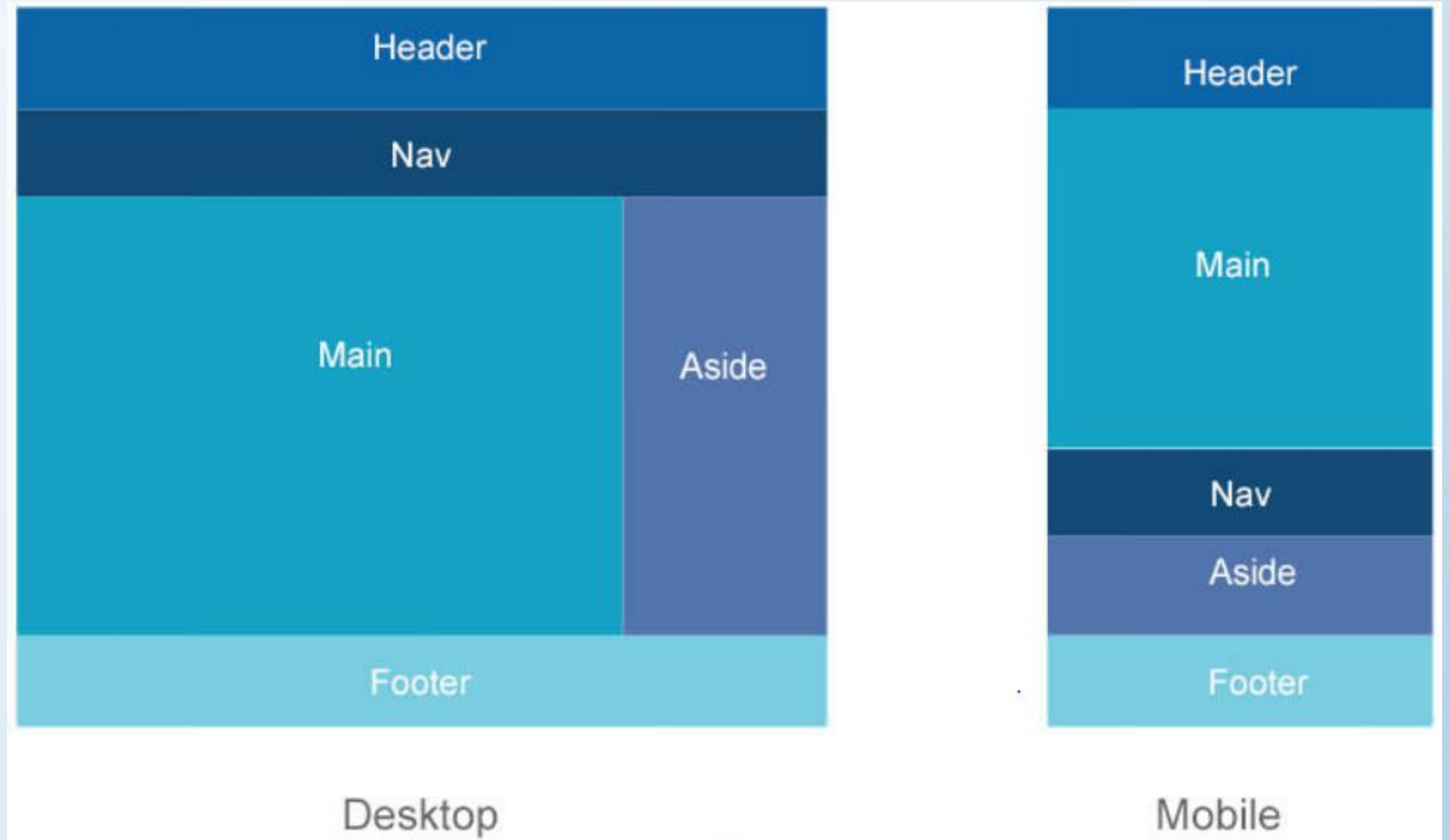
```
@media screen and (max-width : 500px){  
    tag/id/class{  
        // CSS code here  
    }  
}
```

```
@media screen and (min-width : 500px) and  
(max-width: 800px)  
{  
    tag/id/class{  
        // CSS code here  
    }  
}
```



Exercise 3

Make this
webpage
responsive
using media
queries



Exercise 3 Solution

```
<body>
  <header>
    Header Section
  </header>
  <nav>
    <ul>
      <li><a href="#">Home</a></li>
      <li><a href="#">About Us</a></li>
      <li><a href="#">Our Services</a></li>
      <li><a href="#">Contact Us</a></li>
    </ul>
  </nav>
  <section>
    <div class="main">
      Main section content Main section content
      content Main section content Main section content
      section content Main section content Main section content
    </div>
    <div class="sidebar">
      Sidebar section
    </div>
  </section>
  <footer>
    Footer section
  </footer>
</body>
```

```
body{ margin: 0; padding: 0; font-size: 20px; }
header, footer{
  text-align: center; background: lightblue;
  padding: 3%; }
nav{ background: green; }
nav ul{
  margin: 0; display: flex; justify-content: space-around; }
nav ul li{
  list-style: none; margin: 0.5%; padding: 1%; }
nav ul li a{ text-decoration: none; color: red; }
section{ display: flex; }
.main{
  background: #16A2C5; width: 71%; text-align: center;
  padding: 2%; }
.sidebar{
  background: #5275AD; width: 21%; text-align: center;
  padding: 2%; }
@media screen and (max-width: 600px){
  nav ul{ flex-direction: column; }
  nav ul li{ width: 96%; margin: 1%; padding: 1%; }
  section{ flex-direction: column; }
  .main{ width: 96%; order: 2; }
  .sidebar{ width: 96%; order: 1; }
}
```

More Examples

- https://www.w3schools.com/css/css3_mediaqueries_ex.asp
- https://www.w3schools.com/css/tryit.asp?filename=trycss_mediaqueries_website