Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)

Separating Presentation Details

- Separating content and its presentation details is important
- Content is consumed using various media
 - Computer monitor
 - Braille terminal
 - Text to speech system
 - Automated systems
- Focus on content during development
- Easily improve/change the presentation later
- Saves a lot of effort

CSS Properties

- Color
- Background and Borders
- Basic Box
- Flexible Box
- Text
- Text Decoration
- Fonts
- Writing Modes
- Table
- Lists and Counters
- Animation

- Transform
- Transition
- Basic User Interface
- Multi-column
- Paged Media
- Generated Content
- Filter Effects
- Image/Replaced Content
- Masking
- Speech

In-line CSS (Bad)

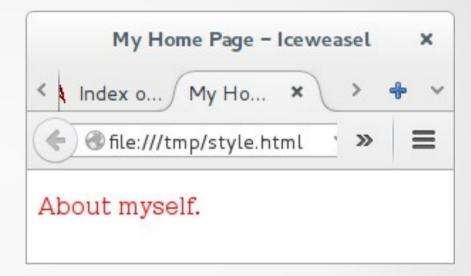
```
You Write:
                                   You See:
<!DOCTYPE html>
                                         My Home Page - Iceweasel
<html>
                                     Index o... / My Ho... ×
  <head>
                                     ( ) file:///tmp/style.html
    <title> My Home Page
                                    About myself.
    </title>
  </head>
  <body style="color: red;">
    About myself.
  </body>
</html>
```

>>

Internal CSS (Better)

```
You Write:
<head>
  <title> My Home </title>
  <style>
     body {
       color: red;
  </style>
</head>
```

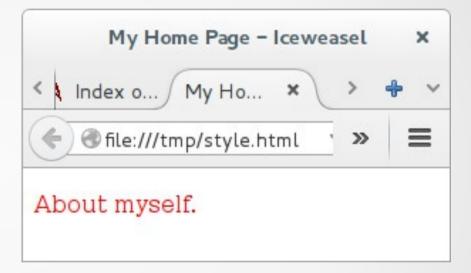
You See:



External CSS (Good)

```
In HTML You Write:
<head>
  <title> My Home </title>
  link
     rel="stylesheet"
     href="style.css">
</head>
In style.css You Write:
body {
  color: red;
```

You See:



CSS Syntax

```
Selector
                          Value
              Property
body
            red;
    color:
                              Rule
    font-weight: bold;
h1
    font-size: 20px;
```

CSS Comments

```
/* This is a comment */
body {
    color: red;
    font-weight: bold;
h1 {
    font-size: 20px;
```

CSS Selectors – Tag Name

Select all elements in a page matching a HTML tag name

CSS Selectors – Class Name

- Select all elements in a page have a "class" attribute
- An element can have multiple classes

CSS Selectors – ID

- Select all elements in a page a ID attribute
- ID must be unique in the entire document

Grouping Selectors

```
h1 { color: red; }
h2 { color: red; }
is same as:
h1, h2 { color: red; }
```

Grouping Selectors

```
p { color: red; }
p { background: black; }

is same as:

p { color: red; background: black; }
```

Combining Selectors

```
p.even { color: red; }
```

means all elements with "p" tag **and** "even" class, and similarly

```
p#first { color: red; }
```

means all elements with "p" tag and "first" as ID attribute

Other Selectors

- [P]
 - Select elements containing attribute P
- [P=Q]
 - Select elements containing attribute P and value Q
- :hover :link :visited
 - Select elements with a particular state
- :before :after
 - Select pseudo elements before/after an element
- And more...

Pseudo Selectors

defines a special state of an element or a phantom state that can be targeted with CSS.

Can be psuedo-class or a pseudo-element

Pseudoclass: style the selected elements *only* when they are in certain state

Ex: only when element is hovered over by the mouse pointer, or a checkbox when it is disabled or checked, or an input is required,

Pseudoelement: A CSS pseudo-element is used to style specified parts of an element.

•Style the first letter, or line, of an element, Insert content before, or after, the content of an element

Some pseudoclasses:

- :default
- :fullscreen
- :focus
- :hover
- :invalid
- :lang()
- :link
- :not()
- :optional
- :out-of-range
- :read-only
- :required
- :target
- :valid
- :visited
-

Some pseudoelements

- ::after
- ::before
- ::first-letter
- ::first-line
- ::selection
-

Cascading...

Cascading preperences

sources of style definition for a given document element are in this order of precedence:

- 1. The STYLE attribute on an individual element tag
- 2. The STYLE element that defines a specific style sheet containing style declarations or a LINK element that links to a separate document containing the STYLE element. In a Web page, the STYLE element is placed between the TITLE statement and the BODY statement.
- 3. An imported style sheet, using the CSS @import notation to automatically import and merge an external style sheet with the current style sheet
- 4. Style attributes specified by the viewer to the browser
- 5. The default style sheet assumed by the browser

Cascading

- Priority among various selectors
 - Tag (low)
 - Class
 - ID
 - Style attribute (high)
- See specificity algorithm for full details

Font Family

```
You Write:
                         You See:
#first {
  font-family: monospace;
                            First line
#second {
                            Second line
  font-family: sans-serif;
```

Font Size

```
You Write:
#first {
  font-size: 32px;
#second {
  font-size: 16px;
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Font Style

```
You Write:
                         You See:
#first {
 font-style: italic;
                          First line
#second {
                          Second line
 font-style: normal;
```

Font Weight

```
You Write:
                        You See:
#first {
 font-weight: bold;
                          First line
#second {
                          Second line
 font-weight: normal;
```

Text Color

```
You Write:
#first {
  color: red;
#second {
  color: green;
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Text Color

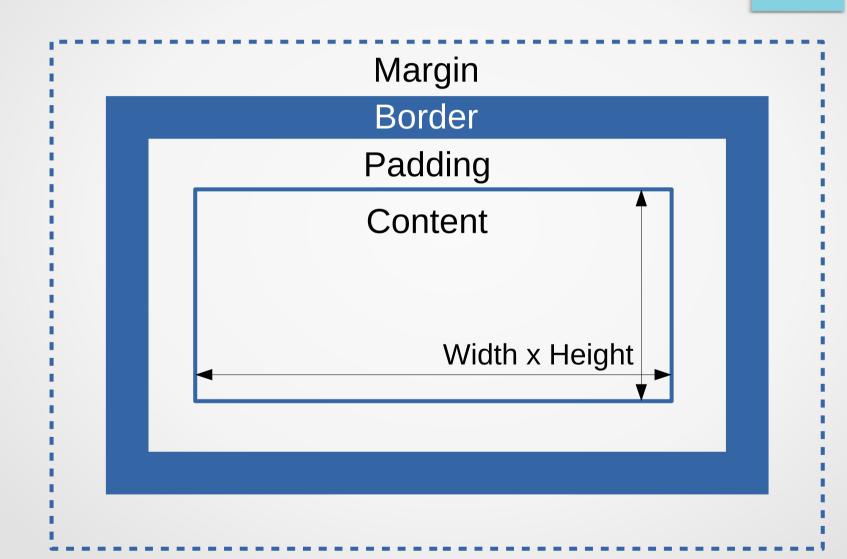
```
You Write:
#first {
  text-align: right;
#second {
  text-align: left;
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Box Model



Margin

```
#second {
  border: black solid 1px;
  margin-left: 15px;
}
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Padding

You Write:

```
#second {
  border: black solid 1px;
  padding-left: 15px;
}
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Border Color

```
#second {
  border-color: red;
  border-style: solid;
  border-width: lpx;
}
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Border Style

```
#second {
  border-color: black;
  border-style: dashed;
  border-width: 1px;
}
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Border Width

```
#second {
  border-color: black;
  border-style: solid;
  border-width: 5px;
}
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Border Width

```
You Write:
#second {
  border-color: black;
  border-style:
                 solid;
  border-width:
                 1px;
  border-radius: 7px;
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Border Image

```
You Write:
#second {
  border-color: black;
  border-style: solid;
  border-width:
                 1px;
  border-image:
    url(border.png)
    30 30 repeat repeat;
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Width

```
You Write:
                         You See:
#second {
                           First line
 overflow: hidden;
 width: 30px;
                           Sec
                           line
```

Height

```
#second {
  overflow: hidden;
  height: 12px;
}
```

You See:

First line

Second line

Display: None

```
#second {
   display: none;
}
```

You See:

First line

Visibility: Hidden

```
You Write:
#second {
   visibility: hidden;
}
```

You See:

First line

Float: None

```
#pic {
  float: none;
}
```

You See:

Big paragraph text that wraps many times and shows up in many many lines.

Float: Left

```
#pic {
  float: left;
}
```

You See:

Big paragraph text that wraps many times and shows up in many many lines.

Float: Right

```
#pic {
  float: right;
}
```

You See:

Big paragraph text that wraps many times and shows up in many many lines.

More CSS

Background Repeat



repeat: "repeat-y"

Background Positioning



position: "right top"

Text decoration

text-decoration: underline

text-decoration: line-through

Text transformation

TEXT-TRANSFORM: UPPERCASE

text-transform: lowercase

Text-transform: Capitalize

Line height

This is a paragraph with a standard line-height. This is a paragraph with a standard line-height.

This is a paragraph with a smaller line-height. This is a paragraph with a smaller line-height.

This is a paragraph with a bigger line-height.

This is a paragraph with a bigger line-height.

Letter spacing

letter-spacing: -2px

letter-spacing: 2px

letter-spacing: 4px

Text shadow

Text-shadow effect

Some Interesting Topics

- Loading font files
- Link pseudo states
- List style (type, position, image)
- Table border collapse
- Margin collapse
- Border style
- Outlines
- Negative margins
- Min and Max dimensions

Some Interesting Topics

- Positioning (fixed, absolute, relative, static)
 - Z-index
- Clearing floats
- Center align using auto margin
- More CSS selectors
 - First child, even, odd, last child, nth child, first letter
- Pseudo elements
- Transparency
- Media types

Some Interesting Topics

- Box shadow
- Border image
- Background size, Multiple background images
- Gradients Linear, radial
- Text shadow
- Transformations 2D and 3D
- Transitions
- Animations
- Responsive design

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