HTML & CSS FOR BEGINNERS

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WEEK #2

Introduction to CSS

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GOALS FOR TODAY

Introduction to CSS



CSS

Cascading Style Sheets



CSS

Presentation and styling of the HTML document



HTML + CSS

Structure + Style

HTML



CSS





CSS ZEN GARDEN









ONE HTML PAGE, MANY STYLESHEETS

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ADDING CSS TO HTML: INLINE

ADDING CSS TO HTML: EMBEDDED

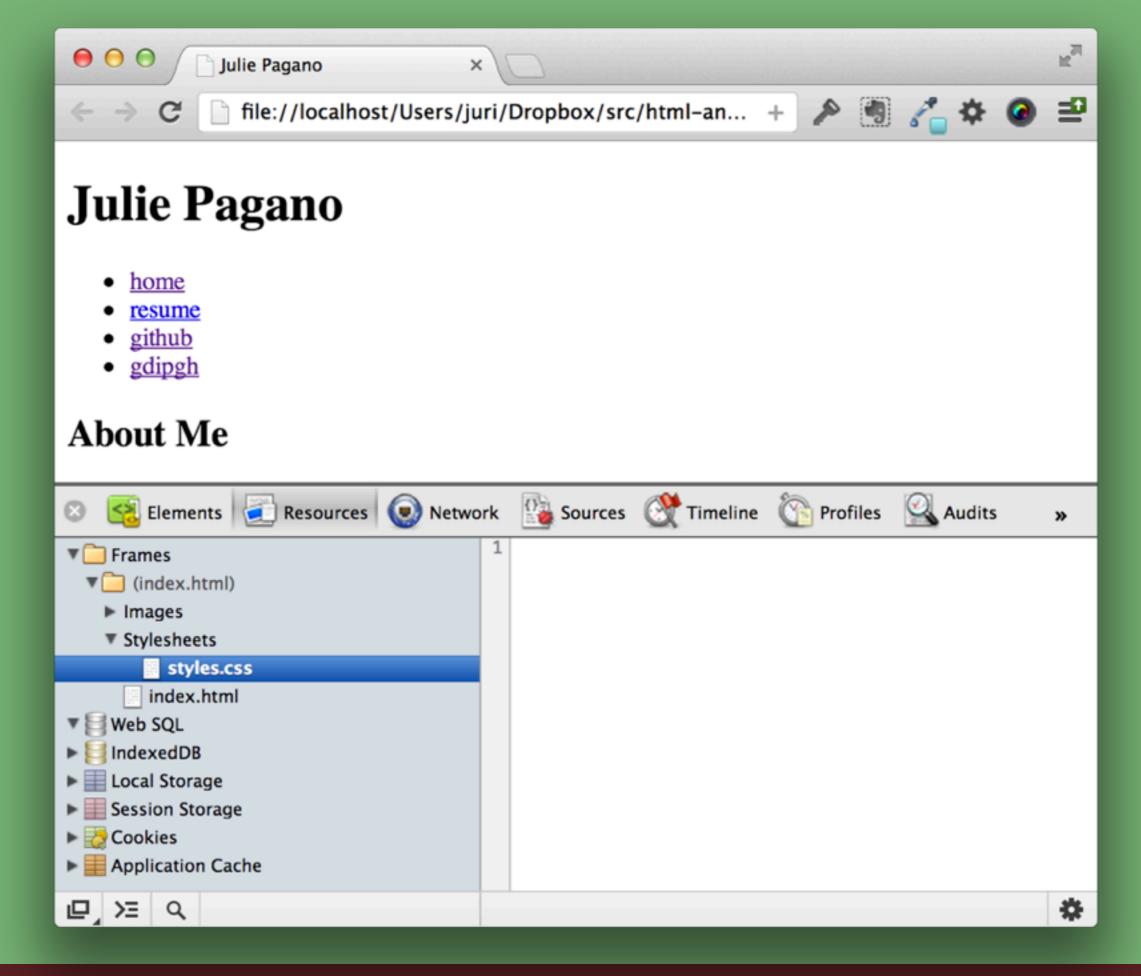
ADDING CSS TO HTML: LINKED

```
h1 {
   color: red;
}
```

ACTIVITY: SET UP SITE CSS

- 1. Create a folder named "styles" in your working directory to hold stylesheets
- 2. Create styles.css in the styles directory
- 3. Link to *styles.css* in <head>
- 4. Use the developer tools to check your work





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ID ATTRIBUTE

```
<div id="header">
  some content
</div>
```

- > Unique identifier
- A document can only have one of each id
- Degin with a letter and followed by any number of letters, numbers, hyphens, underscores

CLASS ATTRIBUTE

```
<div class="code highlighted">
  some content
</div>
```

- Multiple elements can share a class
- Element can have multiple classes separated by a space
- Begin with a letter and followed by any number of letters, numbers, hyphens, underscores

NAMING CLASSES AND IDS

- > **Do** describe what it is for
- > DO NOT describe what it looks like
- Use a name that will make sense to you in the future

EXAMPLES OF BAD NAMES

- bigText
- > red
- > leftColumn
- > underlined
- > style7



EXAMPLES OF GOOD NAMES

- > header
- footer
- > sidebar
- > alert
- copyright
- navigation



ANATOMY OF THE CSS RULE

```
selector {
  property: value;
}
```

SELECTOR

```
selector {
  property: value;
}
```

PROPERTY

```
selector {
  property: value;
}
```

VALUE

```
selector {
  property: value;
}
```

DECLARATION

```
selector {
  property: value;
}
```

RULE

```
selector {
  property: value;
}
```

SELECTOR: ELEMENT

```
div {
  property: value;
}
```

Selects all div elements

```
<div>foo</div><div>bar</div>
```

Example of selected HTML elements

SELECTOR: ID

```
#header {
  property: value;
}
```

Selects all elements with the id "header"

```
<div id="header">
  Welcome!
</div>
```

Example of selected HTML element

SELECTOR: CLASS

```
.tip {
  property: value;
}
```

Selects all elements with the class "tip"

```
<span class="tip">HTML gives sites structure.</span>
<span class="tip">CSS makes sites pretty.</span>
```

Example of selected HTML elements

SELECTOR: POSITION

```
p span {
  property: value;
}
```

Selects all span elements that are in a paragraph.

```
This, <span>that</span>, and the <span>other</span>.
```

Example of selected HTML elements

PROPERTY VALUES

Properties have one or more comma separated values

```
p {
   font-size: 14px;
   font-weight: normal;
   font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
}
```

PROPERTY: FONT-FAMILY

Defines which font is used

```
font-family: 'Open Sans';
font-family: serif;
font-family: "Arial", sans-serif;
```

- > Specific font name
- > Generic name
- Comma separated list

PROPERTY: FONT-WEIGHT

Defines the weight or boldness of the font

```
p {
   font-weight: normal;
   font-weight: 400;
   font-weight: bold;
   font-weight: 700;
}
```

- Named weight
- > Numeric weight

PROPERTY: FONT-SIZE

Specifies the size of the font

```
p {
  font-size: 12px;
}
```

SHORTHAND PROPERTY: FONT

```
p {
   font-style: italic;
   font-weight: bold;
   font-size: 14px;
   font-family: sans-serif;
}
```

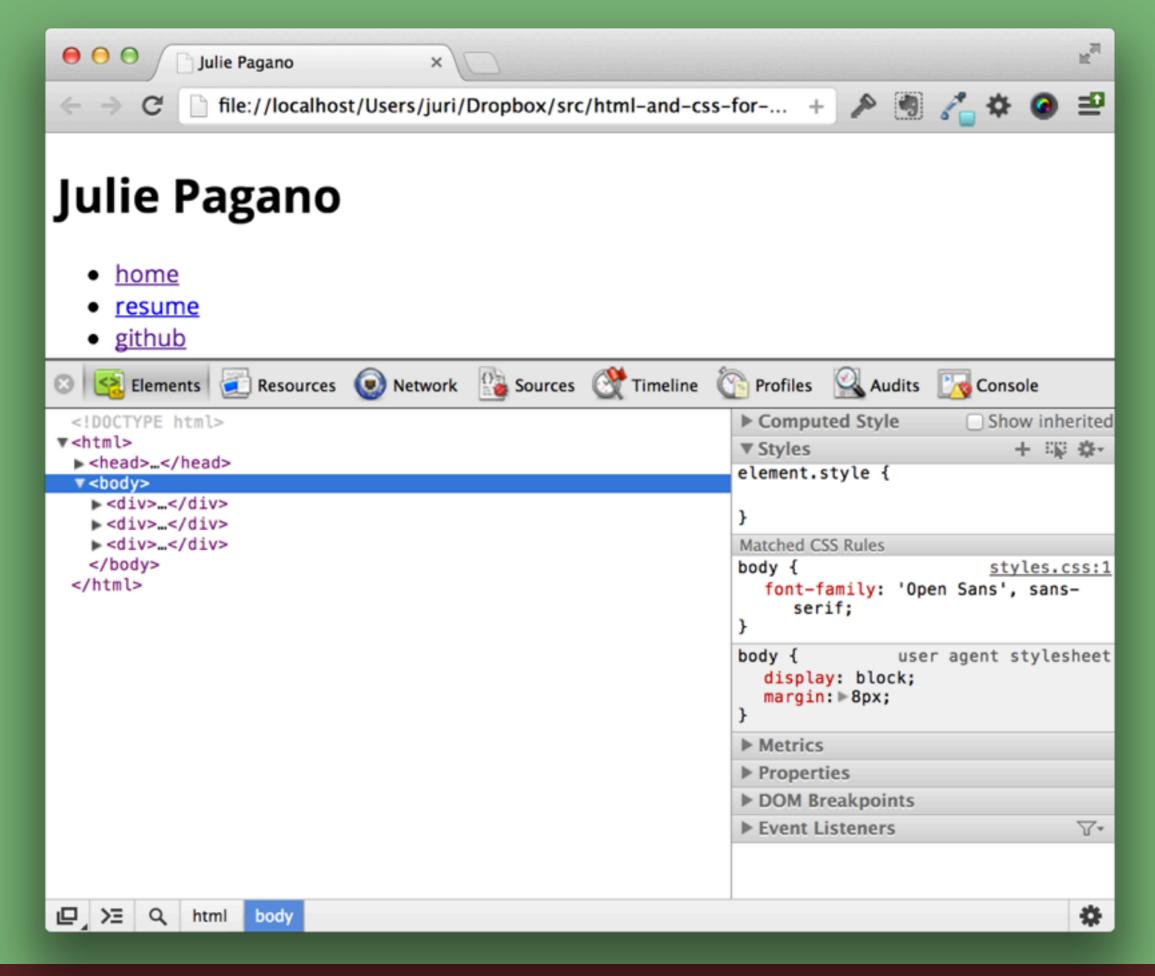
can also be written as

```
p {
   font: italic bold 14px sans-serif;
}
```

ACTIVITY: PICK A FONT

- 1. Go to http://www.google.com/webfonts
- 2. Select a font and click "quick use"
- 3. Check the font styles you want
- 4. Add the standard code to <head> in index.html
- 5. Set the font-family on the body in style.css
- 6. Use the developer tools to check your work





PROPERTY: COLOR

Defines the color of the text

```
p {
    color: blue;
    color: #0000FF;
    color: rgb(0, 0, 255);
}
```

- Named color
- > Hexadecimal (hex) color
- > Red Green Blue (rgb) color

PROPERTY: BACKGROUND-COLOR

Defines the color of the background

```
p {
   background-color: red;
   background-color: #FF0000;
   background-color: rgb(255, 0, 0);
}
```

- Named color
- > Hexadecimal (hex) color
- > Red Green Blue (rgb) color



ACTIVITY: COLOR SCHEMES

- Go to http://colorschemedesigner.com/
- 2. Pick a color you like and a scheme (e.g. triad)
- 3. Take a look at the light/dark page examples
- 4. Add color styles to *style.css*
 - a) Add ids or classes to HTML, as needed
 - b) Set the background color for the body, header, footer
 - c) Set the text color
 - d) Set the color for links
- 5. Inspect the color styles in the developer tools





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PROPERTY: TEXT-DECORATION

Used to set some text formatting

```
p {
   text-decoration: overline underline;
}
```

- > Values: none, underline, overline, line-through
- Multiple values allowed

PROPERTY: TEXT-ALIGN

Determines the alignment of text within an element

```
h1 {
   text-align: center;
}
```

Values: left, right, center, justify

CSS COMMENTS

Comments are added inside /* */

```
/* Header */
#header {
   color: red;
}
```

- Used for separating sections of styles
- > Used to explain complicated behavior

CSS RESET

- CSS resets are used to set all styles to the same baseline
- This is useful for eliminating inconsistencies across browsers

ACTIVITY: SET UP CSS RESET

- 1. Go to http://meyerweb.com/eric/tools/ css/reset/reset.css
- 2. Add css reset to your styles directory
- 3. Link to reset in <head>
- 4. View the page in your browser and note the differences





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Responsive Web Design

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MULTIPLE SELECTORS

```
h1 { font-weight: bold; }
h2 { font-weight: bold; }
```

Can be combined into

```
h1, h2 {
  font-weight: bold;
}
```

PSEUDO-CLASS SELECTORS

```
a { color: blue; }
a:visited { color: green; }
a:hover { color: red; }
```

- > :hover selects when user hovers over an element
- > :visited selects when user has visited a link

ACTIVITY: PSEUDO-CLASS SELECTORS

- 1. Add a css rule to modify the color of links on hover
- 2. Add a css rule to modify the color of visited links

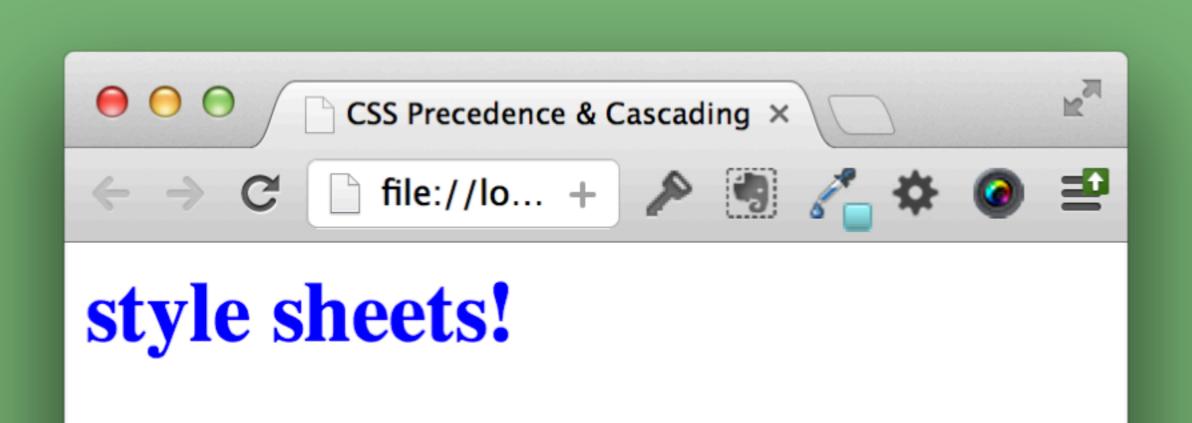
INHERITANCE

Elements can inherit some CSS rules (e.g. font, color) from their parents



```
<div id="main" class="foo">
   <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
   </h1>
   </div>
```

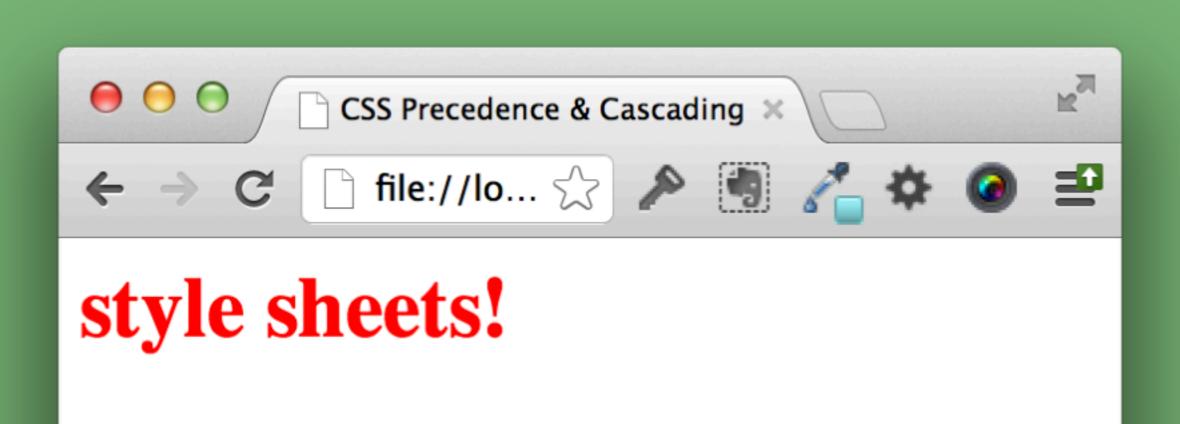
```
#main {
   color: blue;
}
```



```
<div id="main" class="foo">
   <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
   </h1>
</div>
```

```
div {
   color: blue;
}
h1 {
   color: red;
}
```

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SPECIFICITY

How the browser picks a value when there are multiple rules

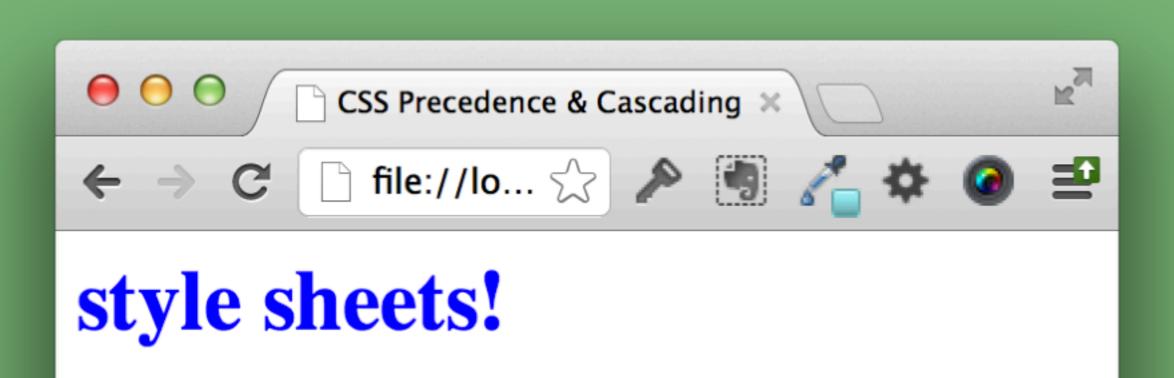


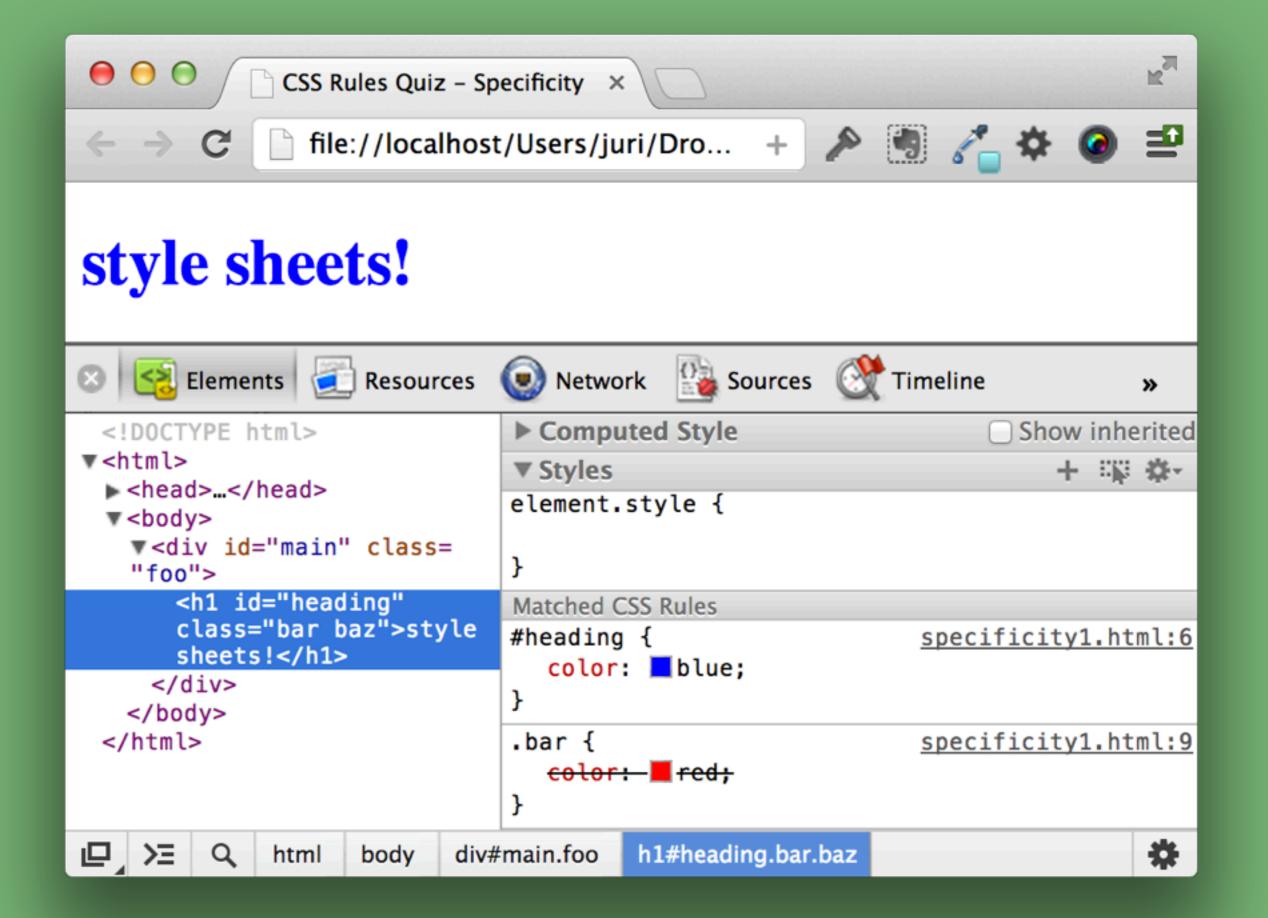
SPECIFICITY

- Element selectors (least)
- Class selectors
- > Pseudo-class selectors
- > ID selectors
- Inline style (most)

```
<div id="main" class="foo">
   <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
   </h1>
   </div>
```

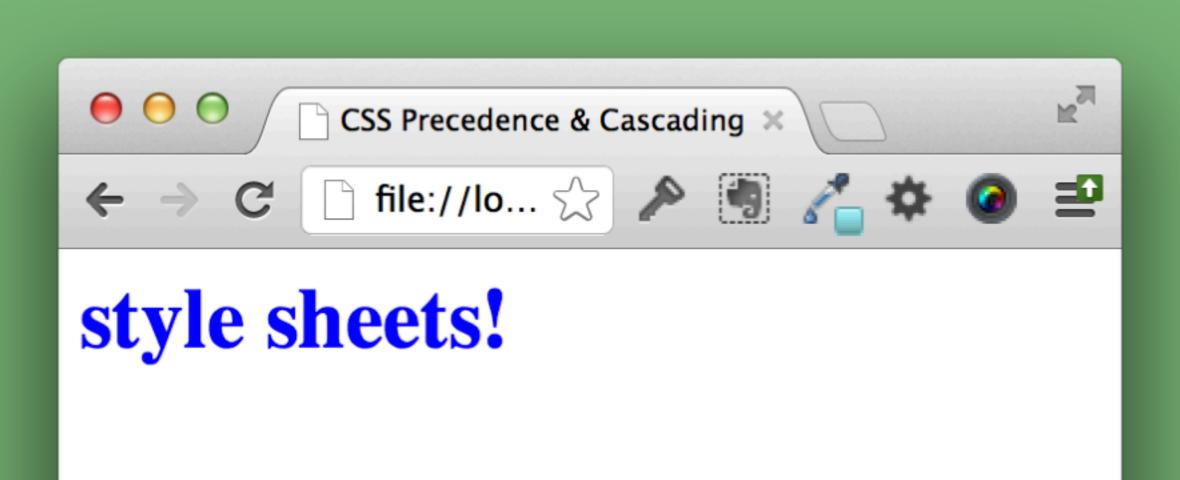
```
#heading {
   color: blue;
}
.bar {
   color: red;
}
```





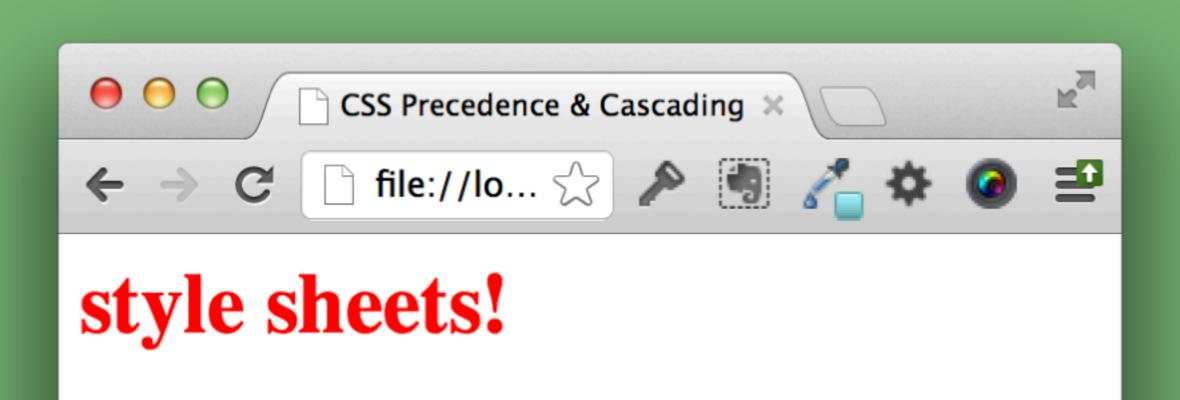
```
<div id="main" class="foo">
   <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
   </h1>
</div>
```

```
.bar.baz {
   color: blue;
}
.bar {
   color: red;
}
```



```
<div id="main" class="foo">
   <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
   </h1>
</div>
```

```
.bar.baz {
   color: blue;
}
#heading {
   color: red;
}
```



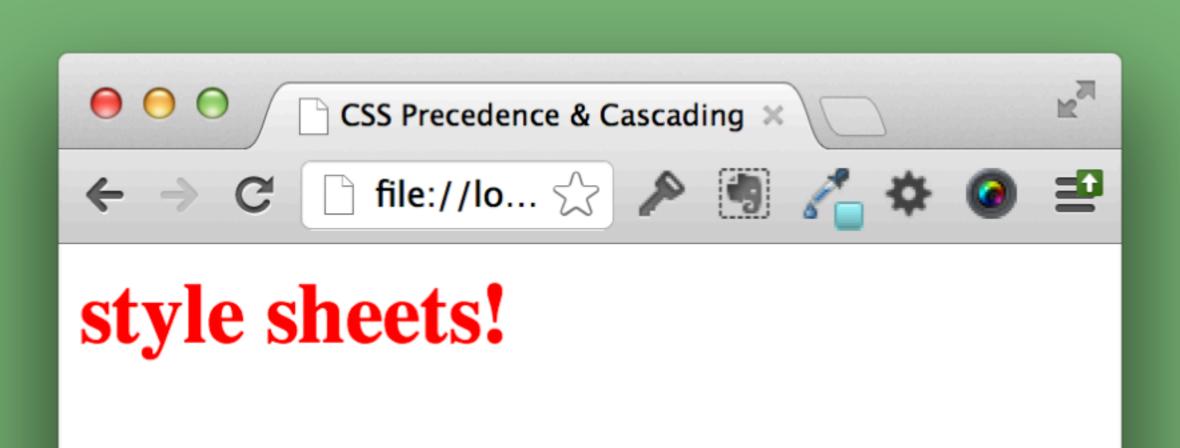
ORDER

Later rules trump earlier rules (assuming equal specificity)



```
<div id="main" class="foo">
   <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
   </h1>
</div>
```

```
.bar {
   color: blue;
}
.baz {
   color: red;
}
```



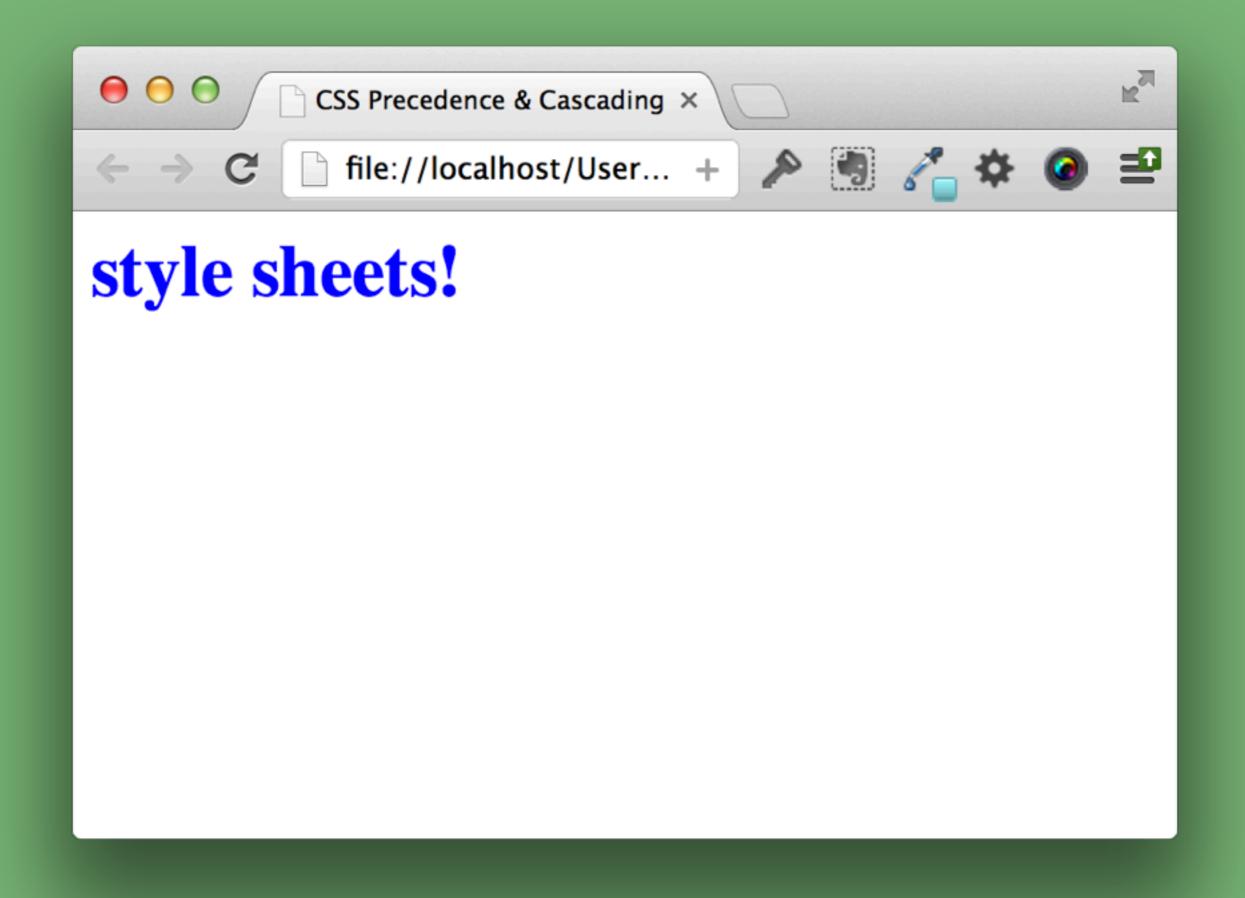
!IMPORTANT

```
h2 {
   color: red !important;
}
```

- > Trumps other rules
- > Use sparingly method of last resort

```
<div id="main" class="foo">
    <h1 id="heading" class="bar baz">
        style sheets!
    </h1>
    </div>
```

```
.bar {
   color: blue !important;
}
.baz {
   color: red;
}
```



CSS REFERENCES

- Mozilla Developer Network
- > HTML Dog

ACTIVITY: CONTINUE SITE

- 1. Focus on styling
- 2. Adjust HTML, as needed
- 3. Use CSS & HTML references (Mozilla Developer Network)

