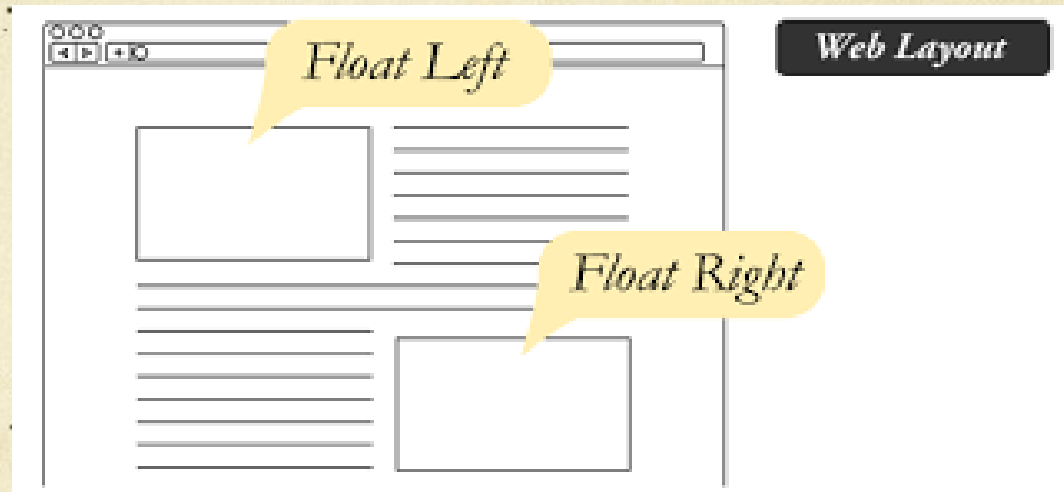


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ReCap – CSS/Box Model and Creating Page Layout in HTML

Floating elements

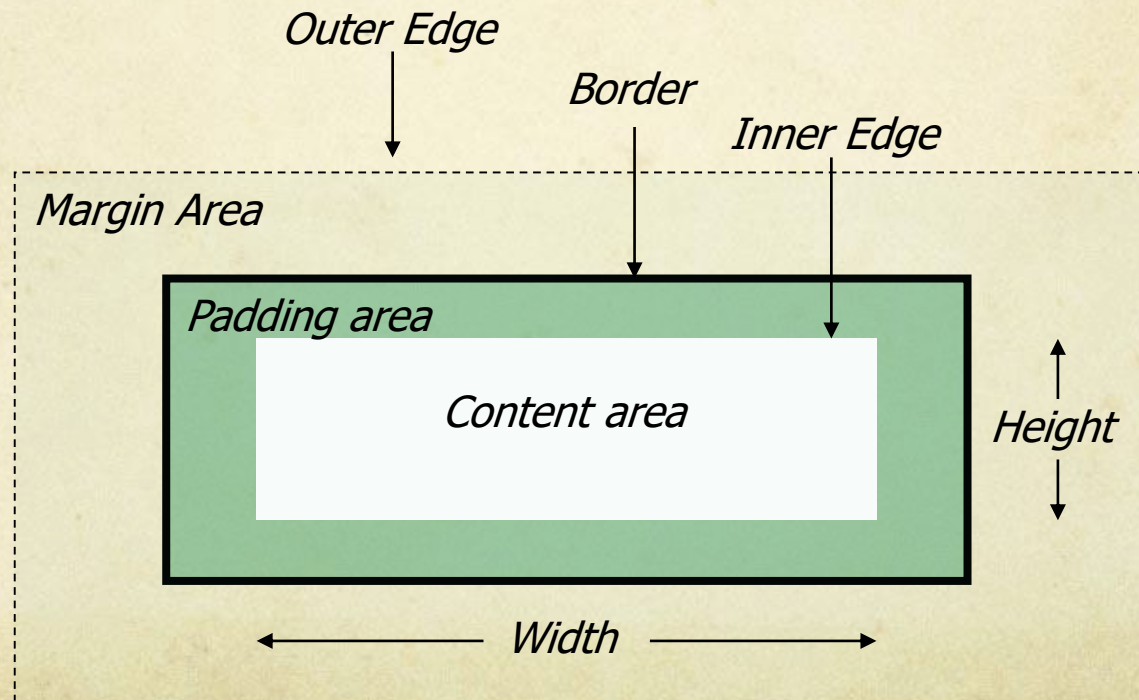
Multi-column layouts

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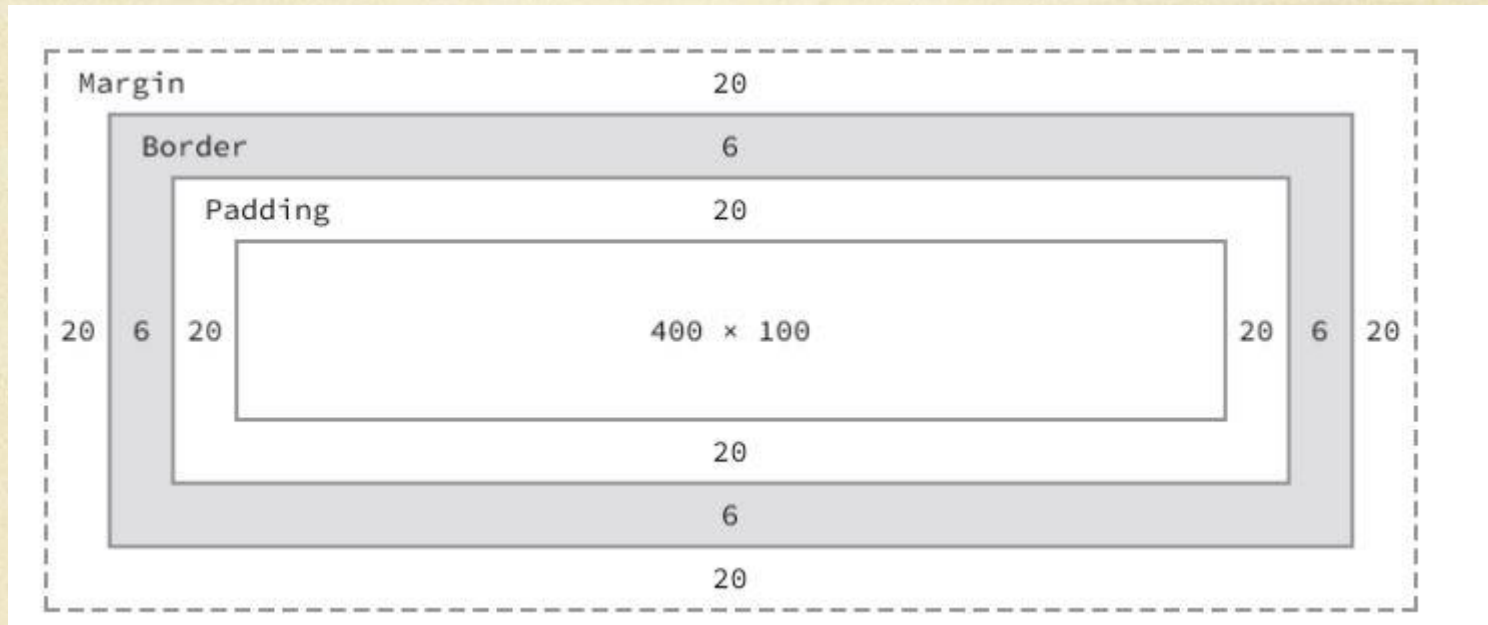
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RECAP: The Element Box

- Ensure you are happy with the **Box Model** as shown below before working on the new material of FLOATs in this lecture ...



The Box Model



The box model broken down, including a base height and width plus paddings, borders, and margins

Using the formulas, we can find the total height and width of our example code.

•**Width:** $492\text{px} = 20\text{px} + 6\text{px} + 20\text{px} + 400\text{px} + 20\text{px} + 6\text{px} + 20\text{px}$

•**Height:** $192\text{px} = 20\text{px} + 6\text{px} + 20\text{px} + 100\text{px} + 20\text{px} + 6\text{px} + 20\text{px}$

The Box Model

We set a `width` property value of 400 pixels, but the actual width of our element is 492pixels.

- By default the box model is additive
- To determine the actual size of a box we need to take into account `padding`, `borders`, and `margins` for all four sides of the box.
- Our width not only includes the `width` property value, but also the size of the left and right padding, left and right borders, and left and right margins.
- So far a lot of these properties might not make a whole lot of sense, and that's all right.

To clarify things, let's take a close look at all of the properties—`width`, `height`, `padding`, `border`, and `margin`—that go into forming the box model.

Border, Padding, Margins

- Border-top, border-bottom...left and right

```
div {  
border-top-right-radius: 5px; }
```

...And same applies for **border-top-left-radius**.....etc

Border, Padding, Margins

Border Radius Demo

HTML

CSS

Result

```
border-top-right-radius: 50%;
```

5px

50%

15px 75px

Border, Padding, Margins

- Margin-top, margin-bottom....left and right
- Padding-top, bottom, left and right

New

Padding-box

- The **padding-box** value alters the box model by including any **padding** property values within the **width** and **height** of an element.
- When using the **padding-box** value, if an element has a **width** of 400 pixels and a **padding** of 20 pixels around every side, the actual width will remain 400 pixels.
- As any **padding** values increase, the content size within an element shrinks proportionately.
- If we add a **border** or **margin**, those values will be added to the **width** or **height** properties to calculate the full box size.

Padding-box

For example, if we add a border of 10 pixels and a padding of 20 pixels around every side of the element with a width of 400 pixels,
.....the actual full width will become 420 pixels.

```
div { box-sizing: padding-box; }
```



So to have this in your site use this code in the css

Box Sizing

```
div { -webkit-box-sizing: content-box;  
      -moz-box-sizing: content-box;  
      box-sizing: content-box; }
```

- If you set the width of an element to 400 pixels and then add 20 pixels of padding and a border of 10 pixels on every side, the actual full width of the element becomes 460 pixels.
- Remember, we need to add the width, padding, and border property values together to get the actual, full width of an element.
- The box model may, however, be changed to support different calculations. CSS3 introduced the [box-sizing](#) property, which allows us to change exactly how the box model works and how an element's size is calculated.
- The property accepts three primary values—[content-box](#), [padding-box](#), and [border-box](#)—each of which has a slightly different impact on how the box size is calculated.

Layout of web page

- 2 ways
- First = divs, ids and classes
- Second = HTML 5 sections

Divs, ids in HTML

<div id = “header”>CONTENT of HEADER HERE</div>

<div id =“nav”> NAVIGATION BAR HERE </div>

<div id =“main”> MAIN PAGE CONTENT HERE </div>

<div id =“section”> SOME MORE CONTENT
HERE</div>

<div id = “footer”> FOOTER STUFF HERE</div>

Formatted in CSS

#header {}

#nav {}

#section {}

#main {}

#footer {}

Html Sections in html

<header> </header>

<nav> </nav>

<section> </section>

<main> </main>

<aside> </aside>

<article> </article>

<footer> </footer>

HTML sections formatted in CSS as

header {

nav {

section {

aside {...}

Section {.....}

main {

footer {

Summary so far

- Learning all the different parts of the box model is challenging
- These concepts, although briefly introduced, take quite a bit of time to fully master
- How different elements are displayed
- What the box model is and why it's important
- How to change the size, including the height and width, of elements
- How to add margins, padding, and borders to elements
- How to change the box sizing of elements and the effects this has on the box model
- Now that we have a better understanding of how elements are displayed and sized, it's time to move into positioning these elements...lets firstly look at floats

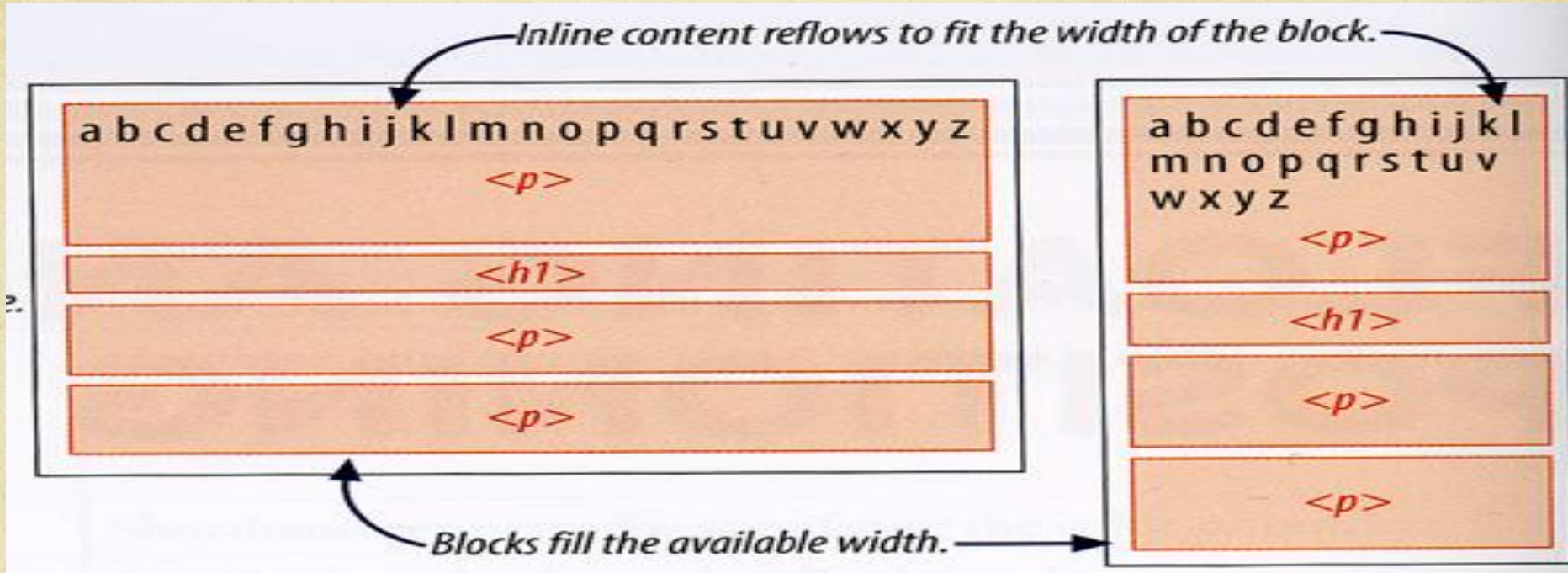
Introduction – to FLOATs

- In this week's class we are going to learn about how to use “floats” to control where boxes appear within the browser window...for now
- Floating – introduction
- Clearing floats
- Multi-column page layouts using Floats
- We'll start by reviewing how elements behave with normal flow.

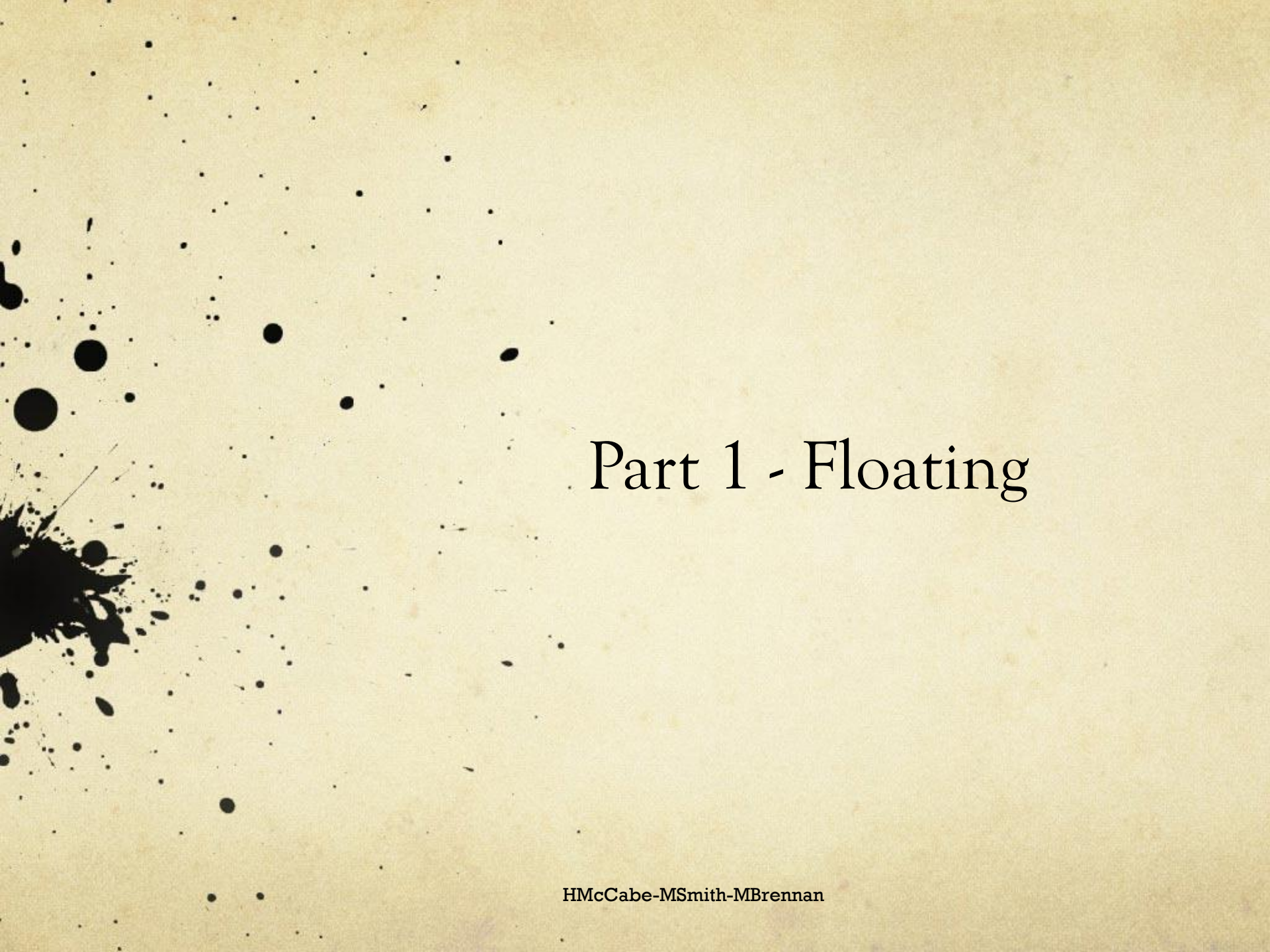
“Normal” Flow

- In the CSS layout model, text elements are laid out from top to bottom in the order in which they appear in the HTML source.
- *BLOCK elements*: stack up TOP-to-BOTTOM vertically
 - They fill the available width of the browser window (or other containing elements if inside one)
- *INLINE elements* line up to each other LEFT-to-RIGHT
 - they line horizontally to fill block elements.
 - When the browser window is resized the block elements expand or contract and the inline elements reflow to fit

Normal Flow



- Blocks are laid out in the order they appear in HTML source.
- Each block starts on a new line.
- Each block expands horizontally to fill as much space as it can.



Part 1 - Floating

Floating

- *Floated elements (or floats)* can be used to
 - Move images or text blocks to the LEFT or RIGHT and have main text ‘flow’ around the side box
 - create navigation toolbars from lists
 - create table-like alignment without tables
 - create multicolumn layouts
- We start by looking at the **float** property itself.

float

values: left | right | none | inherit

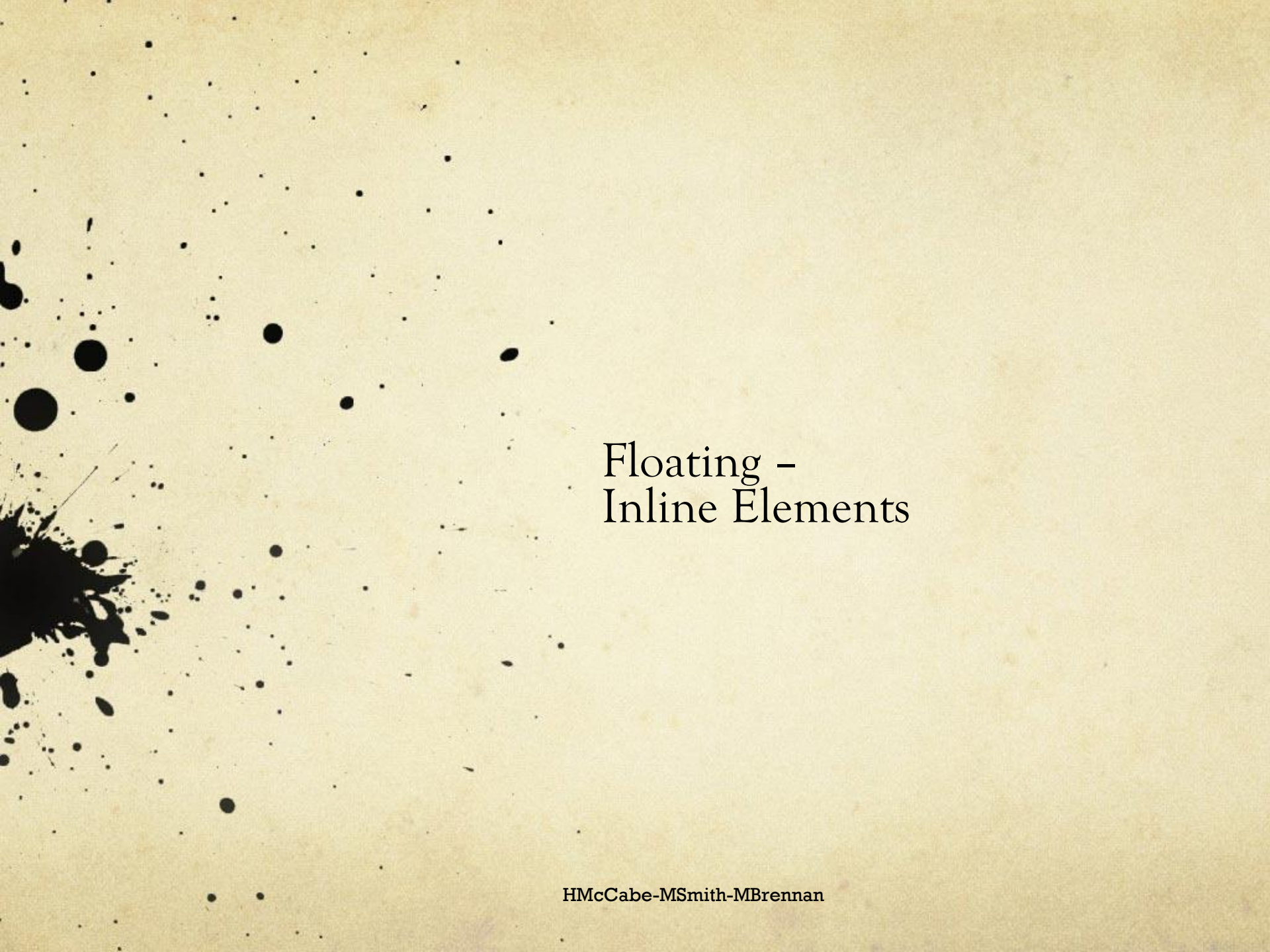
default: none

applies to: all elements

inherits: no

Floating

- The **float** property moves an element as far as possible to the left or right
 - Elements are moved as far as possible left/right in their '**container**'...whatever that may be
 - which may be the <body> element, or it may be inside a <div> or <p> etc.
- The content following the FLOATed element is allowed to wrap around it
 - i.e. the HTML elements that appear AFTER the FLOATed element will be the ones that attempt to flow into the space 'vacated' by the FLOATed element



Floating – Inline Elements

Floating

- Let's look at a simple FLOAT example.
- We are going to apply the **float** property to an `` element to float it to the right.
- First we will see how things look with no float applied
- Then we'll see the mark-up and results of 'floating' the image to the right...

No float applied to IMG

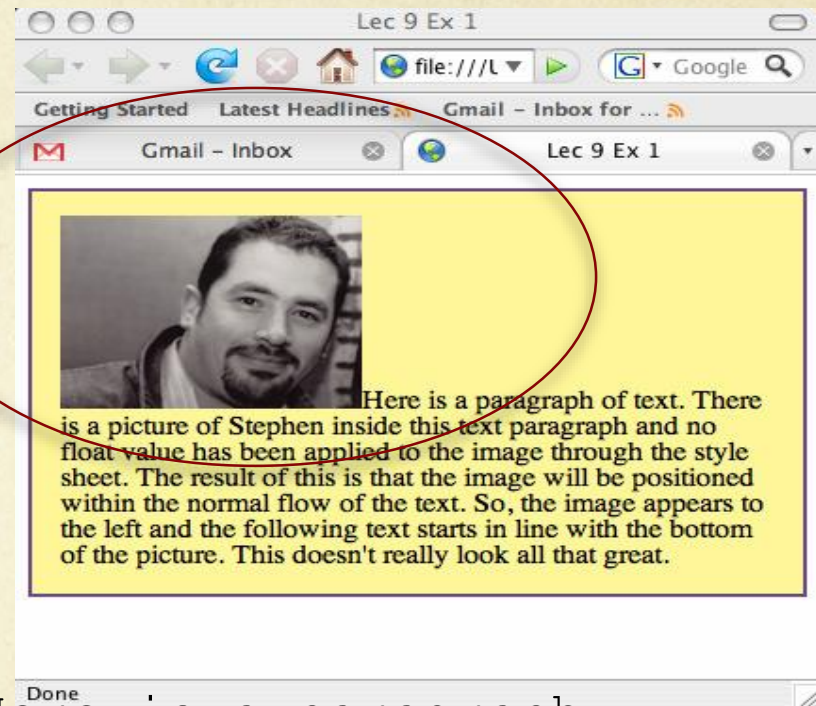
- The style sheet

```
p {  
    padding: 15px;  
    background-color: #FFF799;  
    border: 2px solid #6C4788;  
}
```

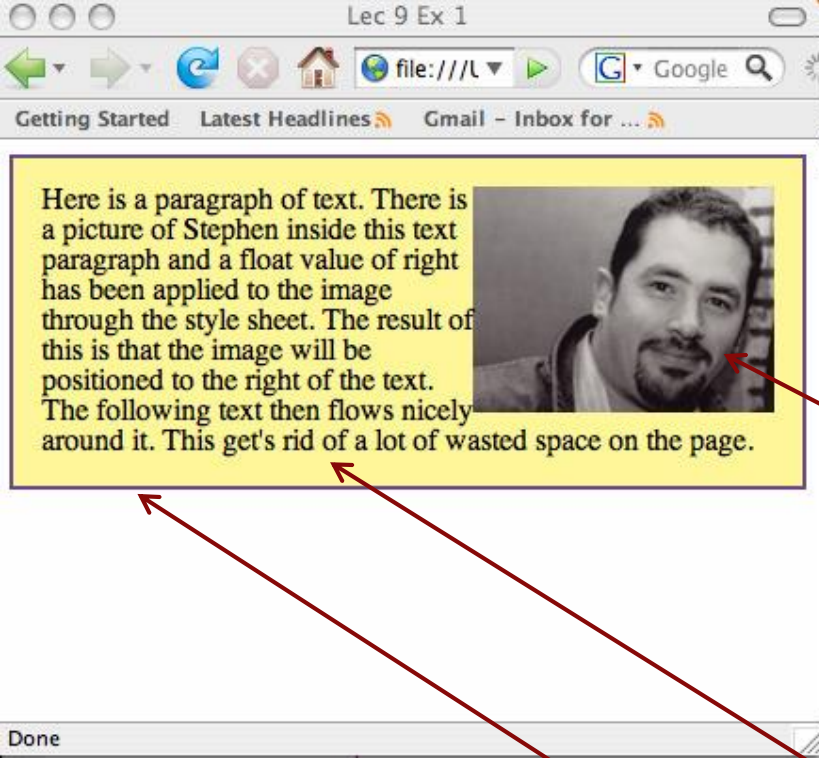
- The markup

```
<p>  
 Here is a paragraph ...  
</p>
```

- The image appears in-line just like a large character ...



The Floated image



- The style sheet:

img

{

float: right;

}

p

{

padding: 15px;

background-color: #FFF799;

border: 2px solid #6C4788;

}

- The image has been FLOATed to the right, other text 'flows' around it

Margin around image

- We can create a bit of space around the image and stop the text bumping into it by adding a margin.

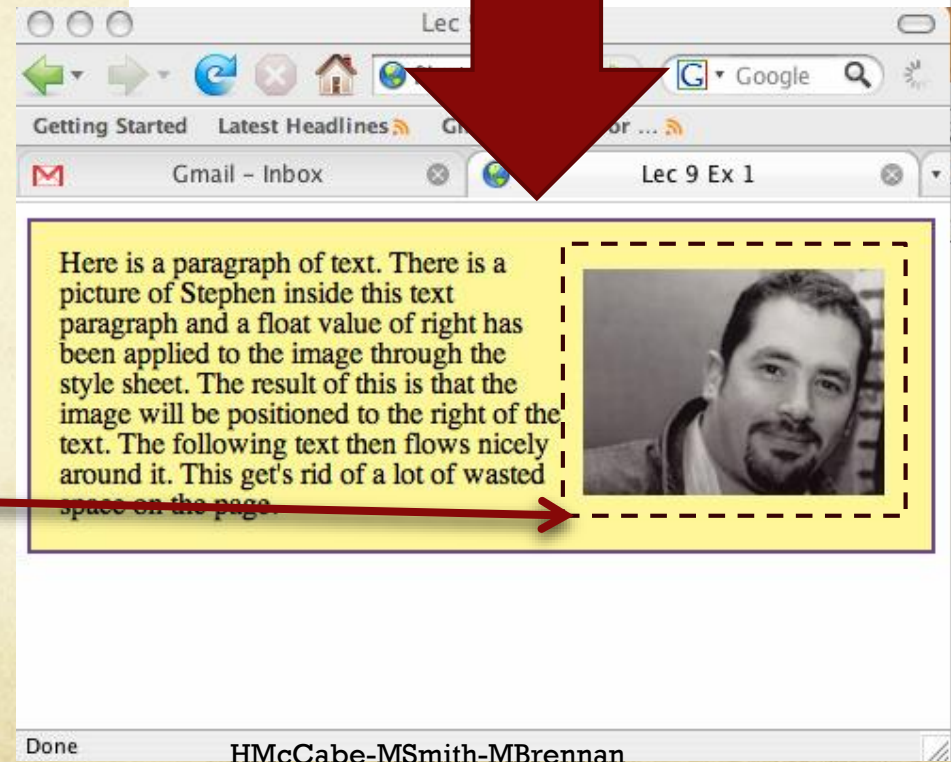
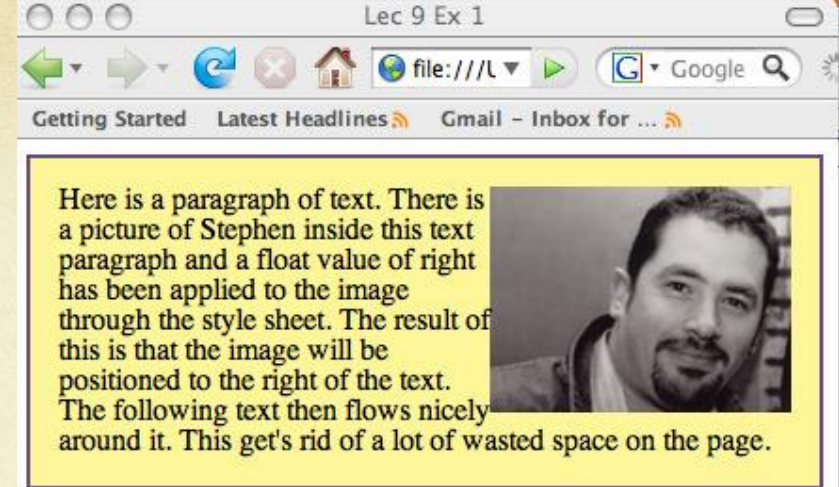
img

{

float: right;

margin: 10px;

- } NOTE: Images have an inherent width and height



Floats: 4 IMPORTANT NOTES

1. *A floated element is like an island in a stream.*

- The image was removed from its position in the normal flow but it still affects the position of the other elements.
- A common analogy is that a float is like an island in a stream - everything else has to flow around it.

2. *Floats stay in content area of the containing element.*

- In this case the paragraph.

3. *Margins are maintained.*

- The entire element is floated!

4. *Margins on floated elements do not collapse however. NB*

5. *Floated in-line elements behave like blocks with margins on all 4 sides ...*

Floating Inline Elements

- Let's look at some more examples.
- We'll start by looking at what happens when we float an inline text element.
- The markup

<p>

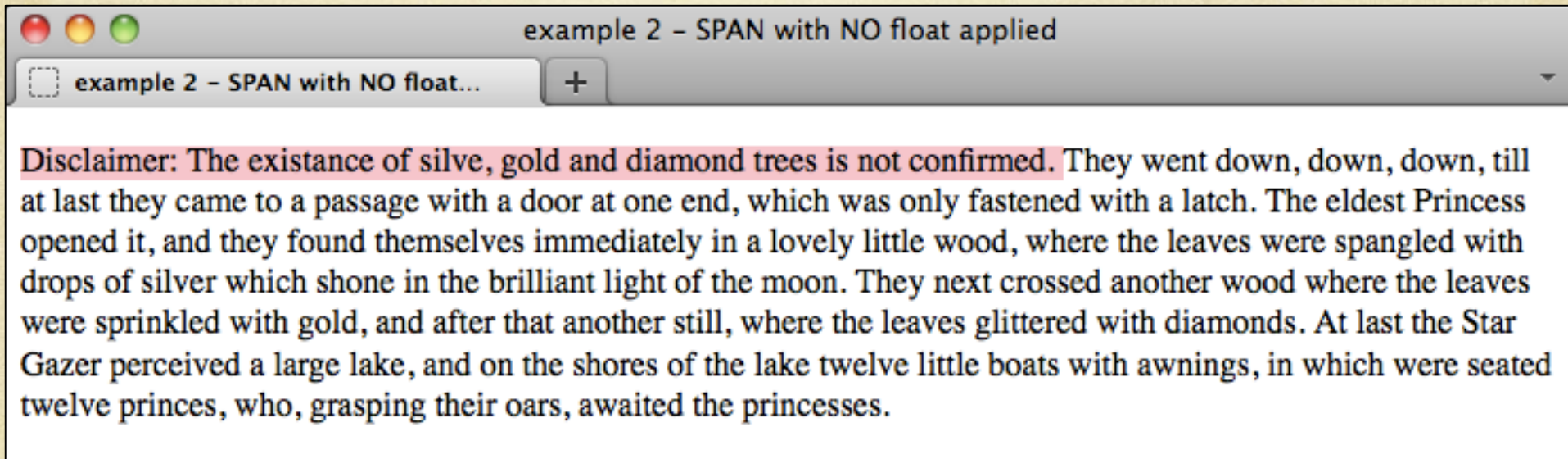
How do we format a class in css?

Disclaimer: The existence of silver, gold and diamond trees is not confirmed.

They went down, down, till at last they came to a passage ...

</p>

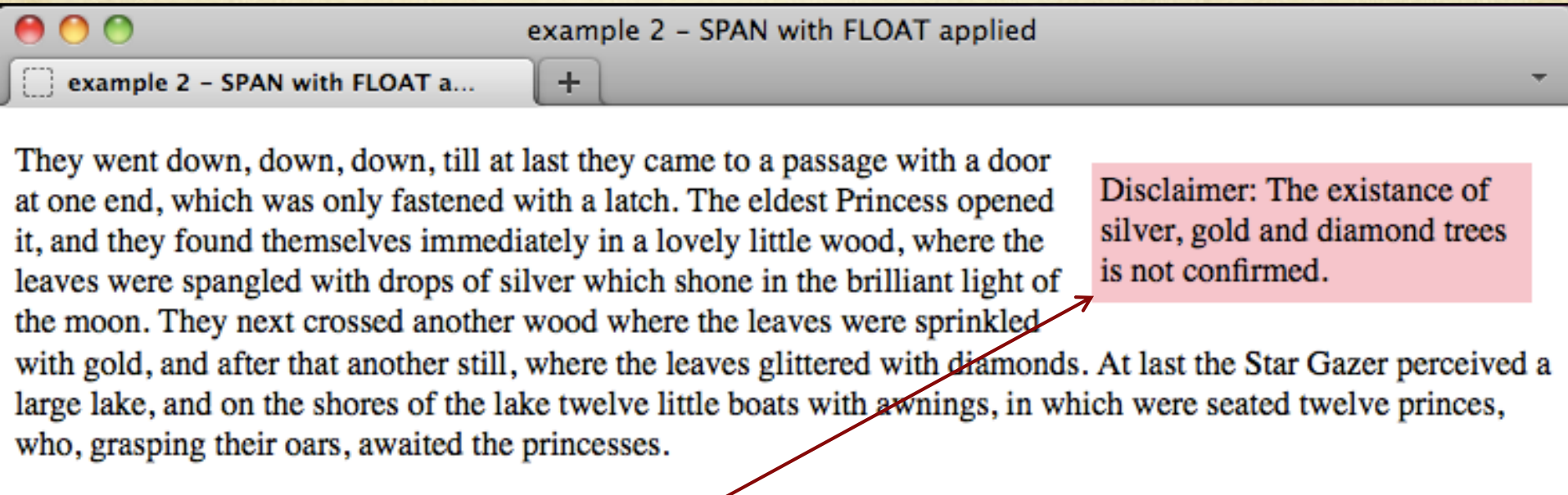
No float applied to SPAN



- Some CSS markup to give a PINK background to the span

```
.disclaimer  
{  
    background-color: pink;  
}
```

FLOAT applied to SPAN



```
.disclaimer {  
    float: right;  
    width: 200px;  
    background-color: pink;  
    margin: 10px;  
    padding: 4px;}
```


More CSS to Para and SPAN for pretty effect

They went down, down, down, till at last they came to a passage with a door at one end, which was only fastened with a latch. The eldest Princess opened it, and they found themselves immediately in a lovely little wood, where the leaves were spangled with drops of silver which shone in the brilliant light of the moon. They next crossed another wood where the leaves were sprinkled with gold, and after that another still, where the leaves glittered with diamonds. At last the Star Gazer perceived a large lake, and on the shores of the lake twelve little boats with awnings, in which were seated twelve princes, who, grasping their oars, awaited the princesses.

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```
.disclaimer {  
    float: right;  
    width: 200px;  
    margin: 10px;  
    padding: 4px;  
  
    color: white;  
    background-color: darkred;  
}
```

```
/* yellow background,  
grayish border with some  
padding space */  
  
p {  
    padding: 15px;  
    background-color: #FFF799;  
    border: 2px solid #6C4788;  
}
```

Floating Inline Elements

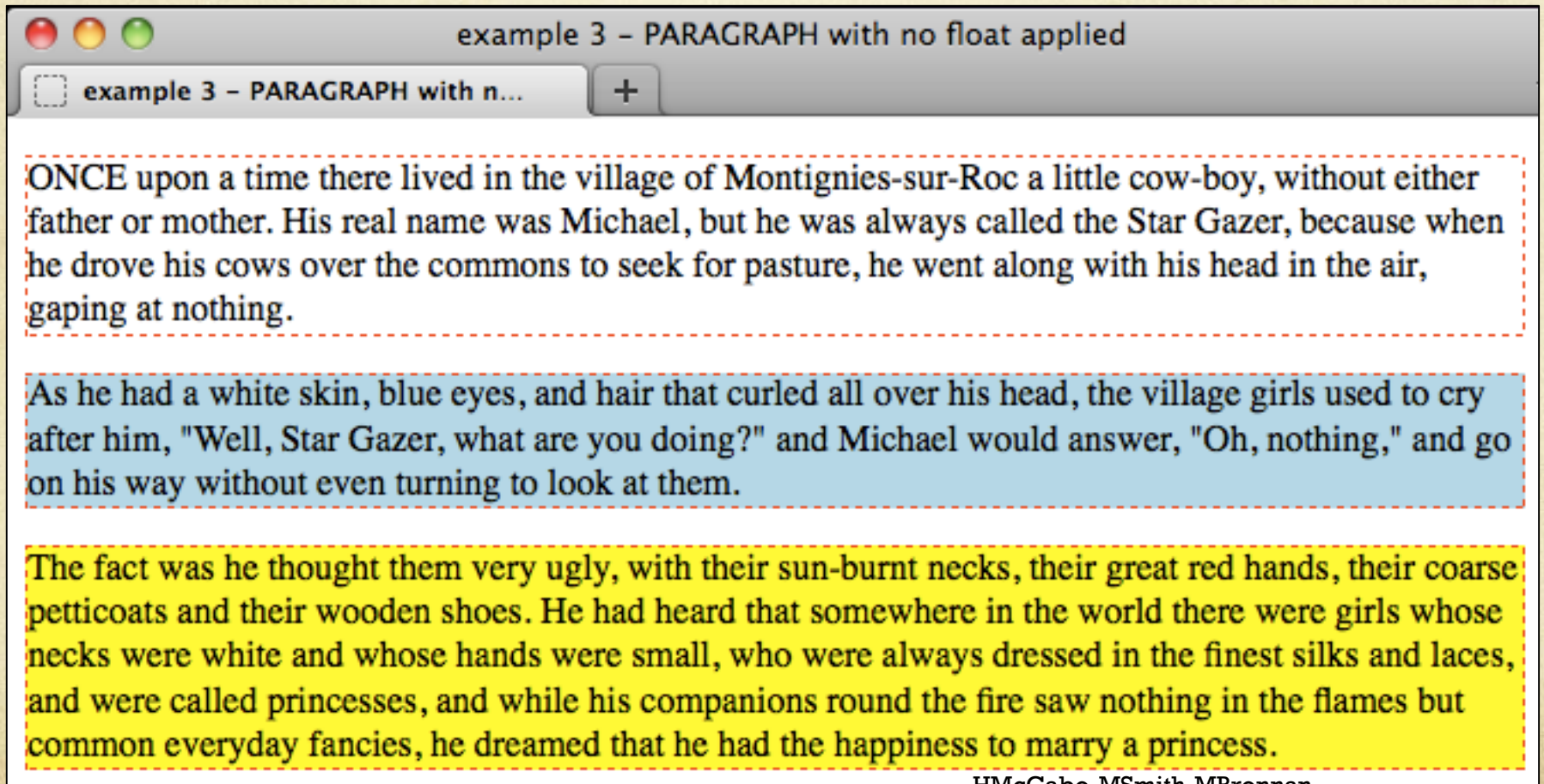
- The FLOATed behaves mostly like the floated image, but with a few subtle differences...
 1. **Always provide a width for floated text elements.**
 - You don't have to do this for images as they have an inherent width already.
 2. **Floated inline elements behave like block elements.**
 - For example, margins are rendered on all four sides.



Floating – Block Elements

Floating Block Elements

- We will now try to float an entire paragraph to left.
- Here is how the 3 paragraphs look with NO FLOAT applied:



Floating Block Elements

- We have 3 paragraphs, two have ID attributes:
- The HTML markup:

```
<p>ONCE upon a time ... </p>
```

```
<p id="para2">
```

```
  As he had a white skin, blue eyes ...
```

```
</p>
```

```
<p id="para3">
```

```
The fact was he thought them very ugly...
```

```
</p>
```

The initial CSS markup

- All paragraphs have dashed red border.

```
p{  
    border: 1px red dashed;  
}
```

- Para2 has (light)blue background.
Para3 has yellow background.

```
#para2{  
    background-color: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#para3{  
    background-color: yellow;  
}
```


FLOAT para2 to the left (width of 30%)

- but PROBLEM with margins ...

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```
#para2 {  
    float: left;  
    width: 30% }
```

ONCE upon a time there lived in the village of Montignies-sur-Roc a little cow-boy, without either father or mother. His real name was Michael, but he was always called the Star Gazer, because when he drove his cows over the commons to seek for pasture, he went along with his head in the air, gaping at nothing.

As he had a white skin, blue eyes, and hair that curled all over his head, the village girls used to cry after him, "Well, Star Gazer, what are you doing?" and Michael would answer, "Oh, nothing," and go on his way without even

The fact was he thought them very ugly, with their sun-burnt necks, their great red hands, their coarse petticoats and their wooden shoes. He had heard that somewhere in the world there were girls whose necks were white and whose hands were small, who were always dressed in the finest silks and laces, and were called princesses, and while his companions round the fire saw nothing in the flames but common everyday fancies, he dreamed that he had the happiness to marry a princess.

- FLOATED elements do NOT collapse margins
 - So the margin-bottom of "para1" (white background) touches, but does not overlap, the margin-top of FLOATED "para2"
- This is usually NOT the layout we desire

SOLUTION 1 – remove margin-top for the FLOATed paragraph

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```
#para2 {  
    float: left;  
    width: 30%;  
    margin-top: 0px;  
}
```

That's better!

SOLUTION 2 - FLOAT both paragraphs to the LEFT (so have same non-collapsed margins)

```
#para2
```

```
{
```

```
    float: left;
```

```
    width: 30%;
```

```
}
```

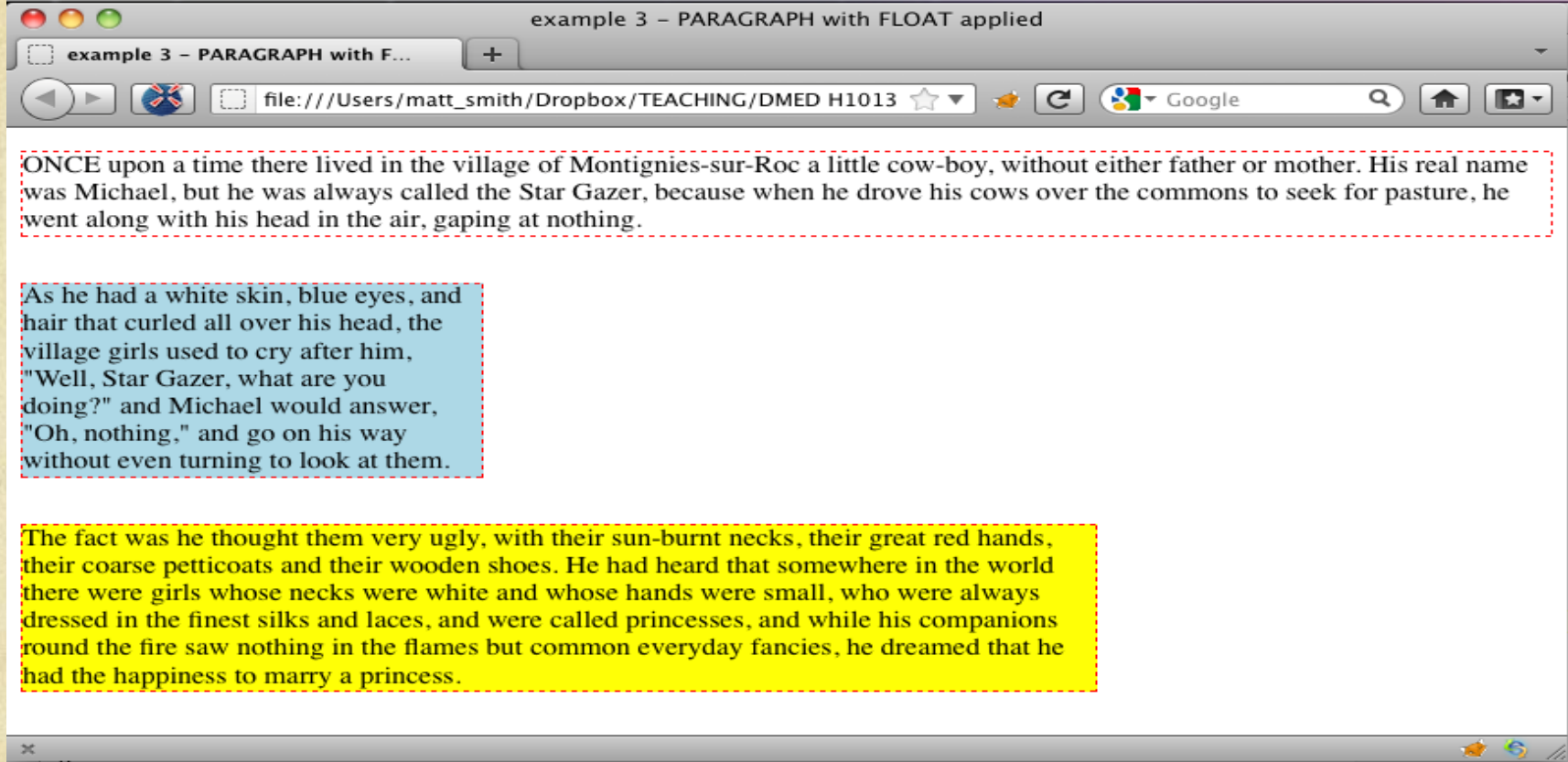
```
#para3
```

```
{
```

```
    float: left;
```

```
    width: 70%;
```

```
}
```

- But for some reason, $30\% + 70\%$ doesn't seem to fit
 - Why doesn't $30 + 70 = 100$???
- The problem relates to margins/border/padding of paragraphs
 - The "box model" of what makes up TOTAL width of an element ...

SOLUTION 3 – float 2 DIVs, created around each paragraph (&no spacing/border for DIVs)

- The new HTML markup for the 2 paragraphs to be FLOATed:

```
<div id="column_left">
```

```
  <p id="para2">
```

```
    As he had a white skin, blue eyes, ...
```

```
  </p>
```

```
</div>
```

```
<div id="column_right">
```

```
  <p id="para3">
```

```
    The fact was he thought them very ugly, ...
```

```
  </p>
```

```
</div>
```


SOLUTION 3 – float 2 DIVs, created around each paragraph (&no spacing/border for DIVs)

- The new CSS markup for the 2 paragraphs to be FLOATed:

```
#column_left
```

```
{
```

```
    float: left;
```

```
    width: 30%;
```

```
}
```

```
#column_right
```

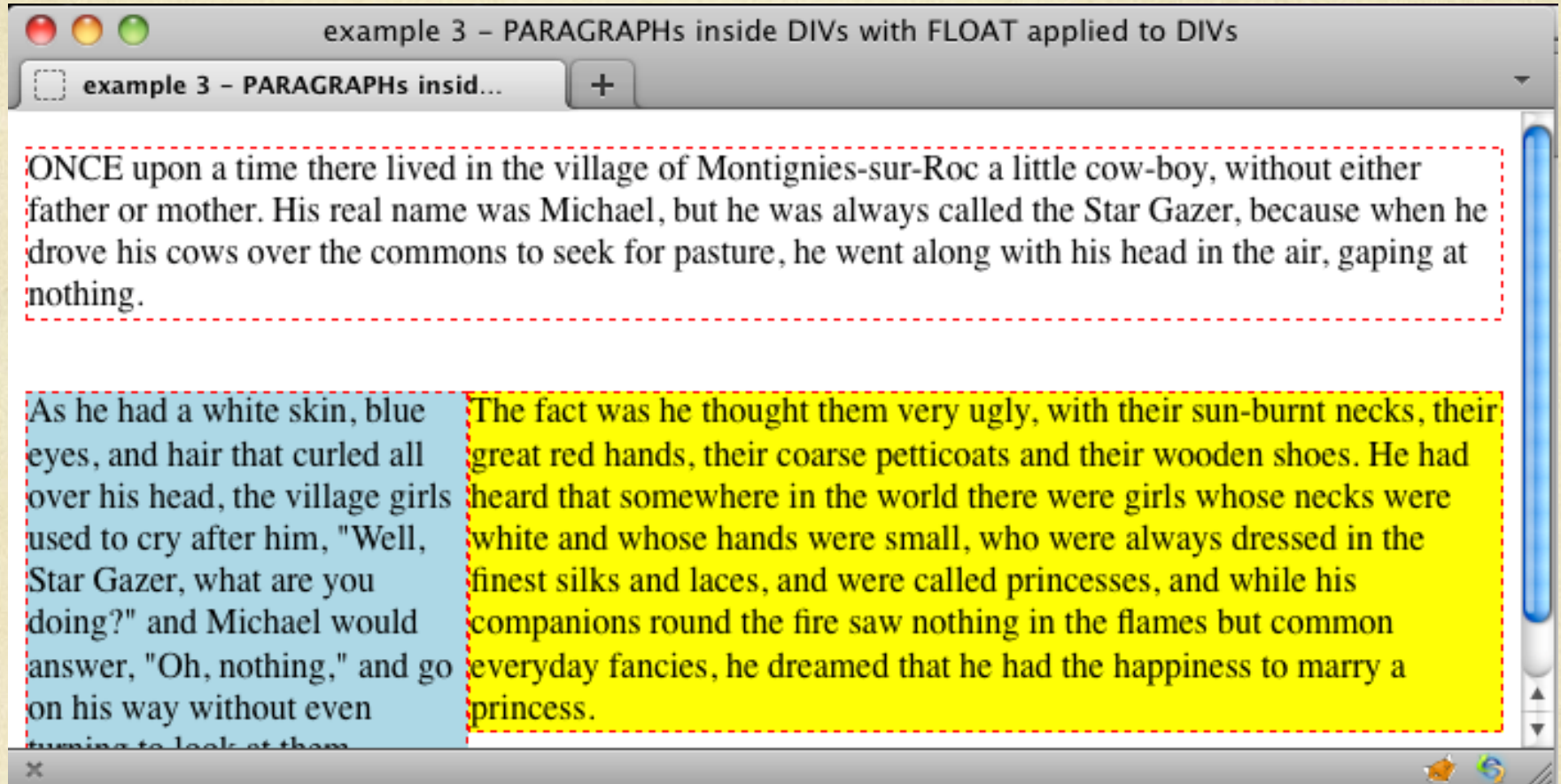
```
{
```

```
    float: left; /* or right! The result is the  
same */
```


```
    width: 70%;
```

```
}
```

SOLUTION 3 – float 2 DIVs, created around each paragraph (&no spacing/border for DIVs)



- It works! Why? Because.....
 - The DIVs have no associated margin/border/padding
 - And so 30% + 70% really does add up to 100%



Forcing content to start BELOW a
FLOAT
- “CLEARing” floats ...

Clearing Floated Elements

- Suppose you want to turn text wrapping off and get back to layout as normal.
- Apply the clear property to the element you want to start *below* the floated element.

clear

values: left | right | both | none | inherit

default: none

applies to: *block level elements only*

inherits: *no*

Consider page header and footer (gray) padded paragraphs added to our story page ...**PROBLEM** – the (gray) page footer block gets mixed up with the 2 floated paragraphs ...

Title here

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SOLUTION – the page footer must CLEAR floats before it is displayed (so on new line ...)

```
#header, #footer
{
    background-color: #CCCCCC;
    padding: 15px;
}
```

The layout CSS markup for the page footer:

```
#page_footer
{
    clear: both;
    /* that's it - floats are stopped
       and footer starts on new line */
}
```


The CLEAR solution for the page footer ...

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2-colum page template

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2-column template:

Mount Olympus News

Prometheus Heats Things Up

Prometheus did not care to live amid the clouds on the mountain top. He was too busy for that. While the Mighty Folk were spending their time in idleness, drinking nectar and eating ambrosia, he was intent upon plans for making the world wiser and better than it had ever been before.

He went out amongst men to live with them and help them. Ah, how very poor and wretched they were! He found them living in caves and in holes of the earth, shivering with the cold because there was no fire, dying of starvation, hunted by wild beasts and by one another-the most miserable of all living creatures.

"If they only had fire," said Prometheus to himself, "they could at least warm themselves and cook their food; and after a while they could learn to make tools and build themselves houses. Without fire, they are worse off than the beasts."

Then he went boldly to Jupiter and begged him to give fire to men, that so they might have a little comfort through the long, dreary months of winter.

"Not a spark will I give," said Jupiter. "No, indeed! Why, if men had fire they might become strong and wise like ourselves, and after a while they would drive us out of our kingdom. It is best for them to be poor and ignorant, that so we Mighty Ones may thrive and be happy."

Prometheus made no answer; but he had set his heart on helping mankind, and he did not give up. He turned away, and left Jupiter and his mighty company forever.

As he was walking by the shore of the sea he found a reed, or, as some say, a tall stalk of fennel, growing; and when he had broken it off he saw that its hollow center was filled with a dry, soft pith which would burn slowly and keep on fire a long time. He took the long stalk in his hands, and started with it towards the dwelling of the sun in the far east.

"Mankind shall have fire in spite of the tyrant who sits on the mountain top," he said.

He reached the place of the sun in the early morning just as the glowing, golden orb was rising from the earth and beginning his daily journey through the sky. He touched the end of the long reed to the flames, and the dry pith caught on fire and burned slowly. He called some of the shivering men from their caves and built a fire for them, and showed them how to warm themselves by it and how to build other fires from the coals. Soon there was a cheerful blaze in every rude home in the land, and men and women gathered round it and were warm and happy, and thankful to Prometheus for the wonderful gift which he had brought to them from the sun.

It was not long until they learned to cook their food and so to eat like men instead of like beasts. They began at once to leave off their wild and savage habits; and instead of lurking in the dark places of the world, they came out into the open air and the bright sunlight, and were glad because life had been given to them.

Links to Stories

[Jupiter & His Mighty Company](#)

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Pandora opens the box!

Disease and sorrow released to plague mankind for eternity.

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Welcome to Hellenes.

Son of Prometheus escapes the great flood and creates a new society from tossed stones. [More...](#)

A Tangled Web

Arachne loses weave-off; is changed into a spider. [More...](#)

2-column template – mostly seen already

- Header and footer, as for previous example, i.e.:
 - Nothing special for page heading – since BEFORE any floats
 - FOOTER must CLEAR floats to start on new line
- DIVs for left and right columns – as for previous examples
 - i.e. content for left/right columns put into DIVs
- **Other actions: NB**
 - Remove all margin/padding/border from <body>
 - NOTE: DIVs have no default margin/padding/border
 - Put ALL content inside another DIV of fixed width 960px
 - Called a ‘wrapper’ DIV
 - Centered via left/right “auto” margins

2-column template – non-layout CSS

```
#page_header, #page_footer {
    font-family: verdana, sans-serif;
    background-color: #CCCCCC;
    padding: 15px; }

li {
    list-style: none;
    margin-top: 0.5em;}

#main {
    padding: 1em;
    border-right: 2px black solid; }

#links {
    background-color: pink;
    padding: 1em; }
```

2-column template – layout CSS

sum of all column widths = 960px

```
body {
    margin: 0;
    padding: 0;
    border: none;
}

#wrapper {
    width: 960px;
    margin-left: auto;
    margin-right: auto;
}

#column_left {
    float: left;
    width: 660px;
}

#column_right {
    float: right;
    width: 300px;
}

#page_footer {
    clear: both;
}
```


Prometheus Heats Things Up

Prometheus did not care to live amid the clouds on the mountain top. He was too busy for that. While the Mighty Folk were spending their time in idleness, drinking nectar and eating ambrosia, he was intent upon plans for making the world wiser and better than it had ever been before.

He went out amongst men to live with them and help them. Ah, how very poor and wretched they were! He found them living in caves and in holes of the earth, shivering with the cold because there was no fire, dying of starvation, hunted by wild beasts and by one another-the most miserable of all living creatures.

"If they only had fire," said Prometheus to himself, "they could at least warm themselves and cook their food; and after a while they could learn to make tools and build themselves houses. Without fire, they are worse off than beasts."

Then he went boldly to Jupiter to beg a little comfort through the long winter.

"Not a spark will I give," said Jupiter, "strong and wise like ourselves. It is best for them to be poor and wretched."

Prometheus made no answer and went up. He turned away, and left the gods to their revelry.

As he was walking by the shore of the fennel, growing; and when he had cut a dry, soft pith which would burn in his hands, and started with it to go to the men.

"Mankind shall have fire in spite of me," said Prometheus.

He reached the place of the secret fire from the earth and beginning to burn. He led the reed to the flames, and the dying shivering men from their caves learned to warm themselves by it and how to build every rude home in the land, happy, and thankful to Prometheus for the sun.

It was not long until they learned to cook their food and so to eat like men instead of like beasts. They began at once to leave off their wild and savage habits; and instead of lurking in the dark places of the world, they came out into the open air and the bright sunlight, and were glad because life had been given to them.

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3-column page template ...

3-column template:

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"Not a spark will I give," said Jupiter. "No, indeed! Why, if men had fire they might become strong and wise like ourselves, and after a while they would drive us out of our kingdom. It is best for them to be poor and ignorant, that so we Mighty Ones may thrive and be happy."

Prometheus made no answer; but he had set his heart on helping mankind, and he did not give up. He turned away, and left Jupiter and his mighty company forever.

As he was walking by the shore of the sea he found a reed, or, as some say, a tall stalk of fennel, growing; and when he had broken it off he saw that its hollow center was filled with a dry, soft pith which would burn slowly and keep on fire a long time. He took the long stalk in his hands, and started with it towards the dwelling of the sun in the far east.

"Mankind shall have fire in spite of the tyrant who sits on the mountain top," he said.

He reached the place of the sun in the early morning just as the glowing, golden orb was rising from the earth and beginning his daily journey through the sky. He touched the end of the long reed to the flames, and the dry pith caught on fire and burned slowly. He called some of the shivering men from their caves and built a fire for them, and showed them how to warm themselves by it and how to build other fires from the coals. Soon there was a cheerful blaze in every rude home in the land, and men and women gathered round it and were warm and happy, and thankful to Prometheus for the wonderful gift which he had brought to them from the sun.

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3-col as for 2-col, except:

- Float all 3 columns to left
 - Or leftmost and middle columns to left, and remaining to right
 - it really doesn't matter !
- Sum col widths = 960px
- 3 container DIVS
 - Column_left
 - Column_right
 - Column_center
- (all 3 columns within single 960px 'wrapper' DIV)

3-column template

- layout CSS

Sum column widths
 $200+650+200 = 960\text{px}$

```
body {
    margin: 0;
    padding: 0;
    border: none;
}

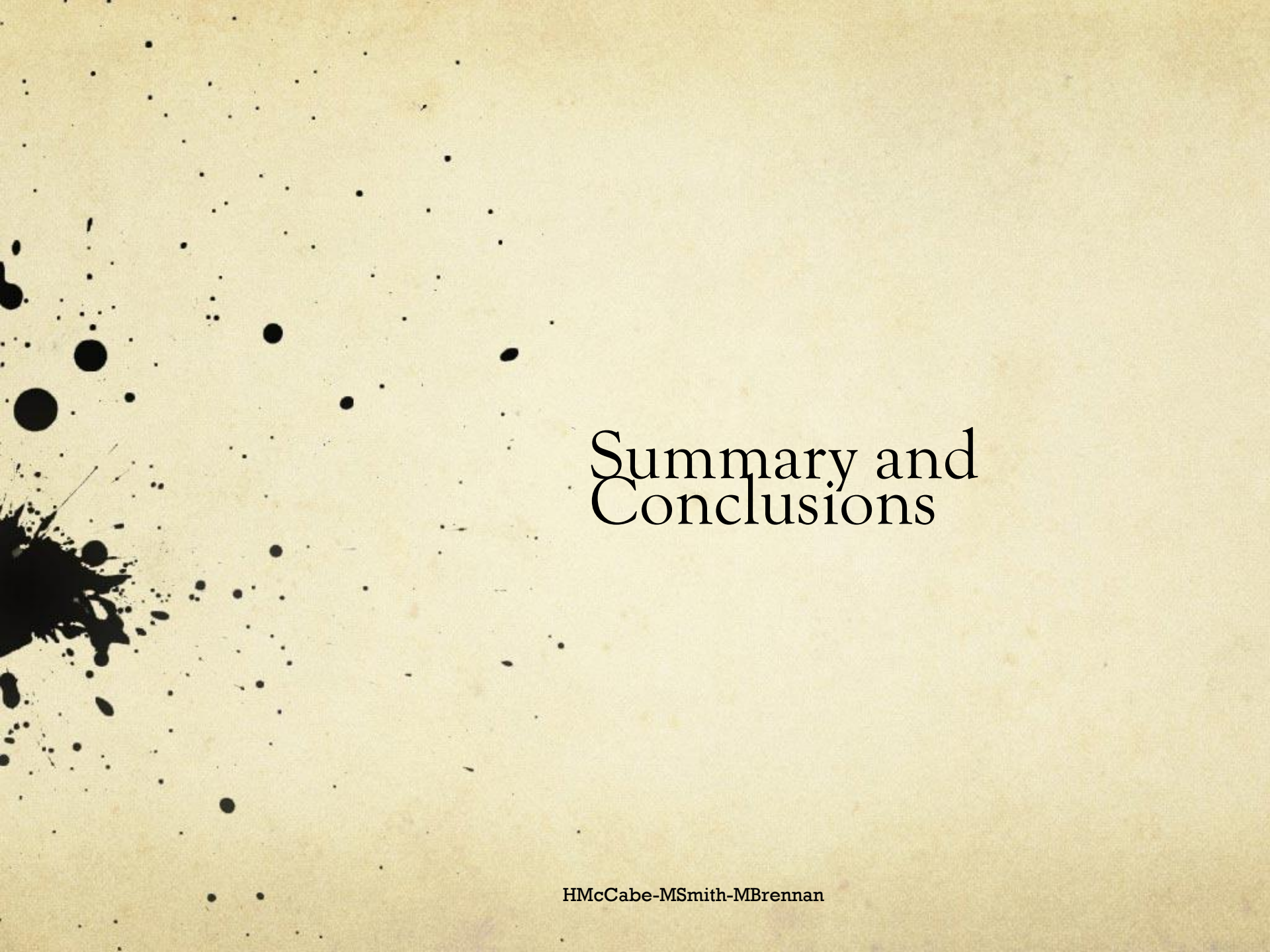
#wrapper {
    width: 960px;
    margin-left: auto;
    margin-right: auto;
}

#footer {
    clear: both;
}

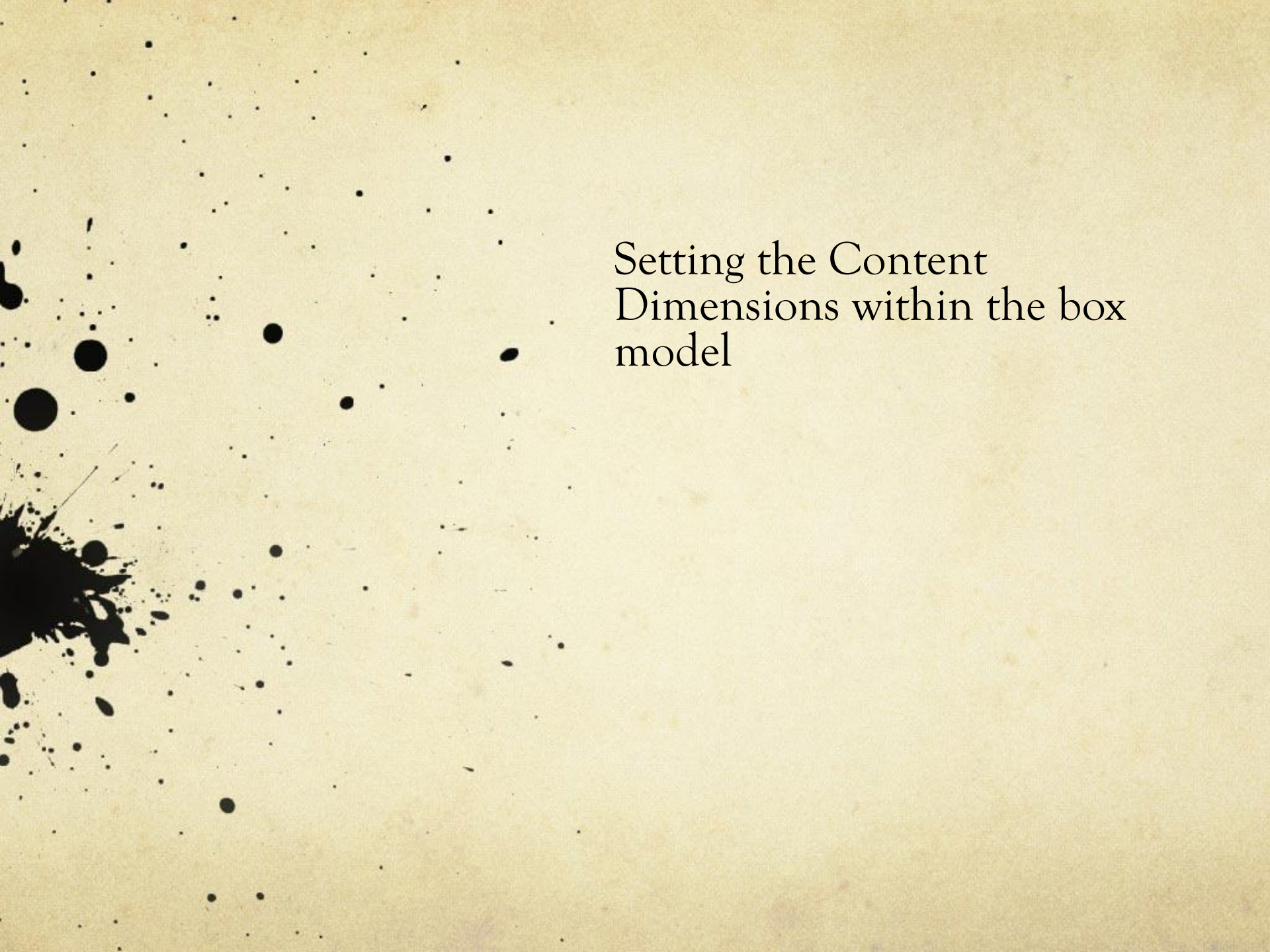
#column_left {
    float: left;
    width: 200px;
}

#column_center {
    float: left;
    width: 560px;
}

#column_right {
    float: left;
    width: 200px;
}
```



Summary and Conclusions



Setting the Content
Dimensions within the box
model

Setting the element dimensions

- Use the **width** and **height** properties to specify the width and height of the element.
- You can specify the width and height only of block-level elements or non-text inline elements such as images.

width or height

values: length measurement | percentage | auto | inherit

default: auto

applies to: block level elements and non-text inline elements

inherits: no

- By default the width and height of an element is calculated automatically by the browser.
- Hence the default setting of **auto**.

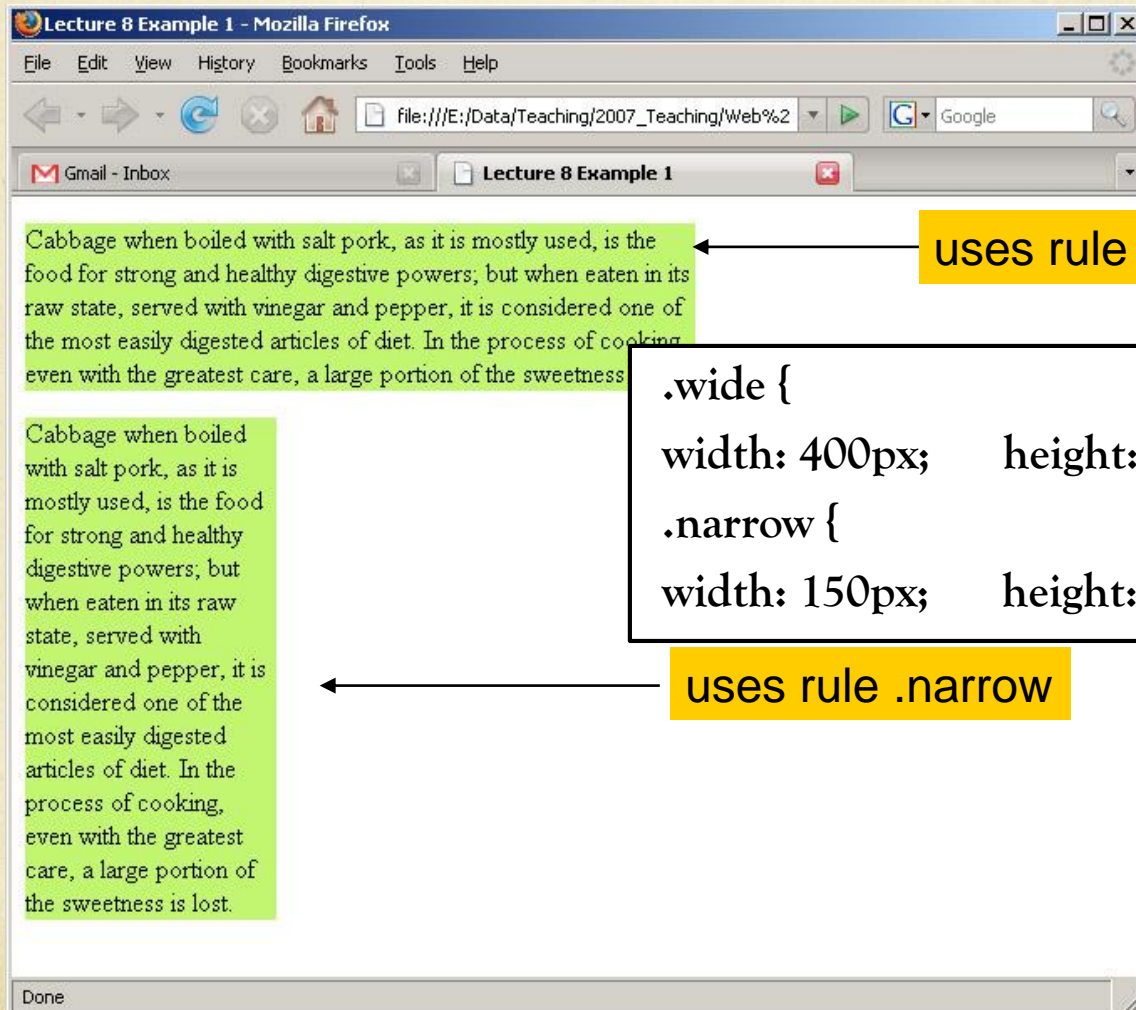
Setting the element dimensions

- However you can use the **width** and **height** properties to set this yourself – usual values to give are em, pixel or percentage values.
- Here are some examples of using them:

```
.wide { width: 400px;    height: 100px; }  
.narrow { width: 150px;    height: 300px;  
}
```

- Slide overleaf shows the results of formatting the same paragraph twice with the two different style rules above. A green background has been added for clarity.

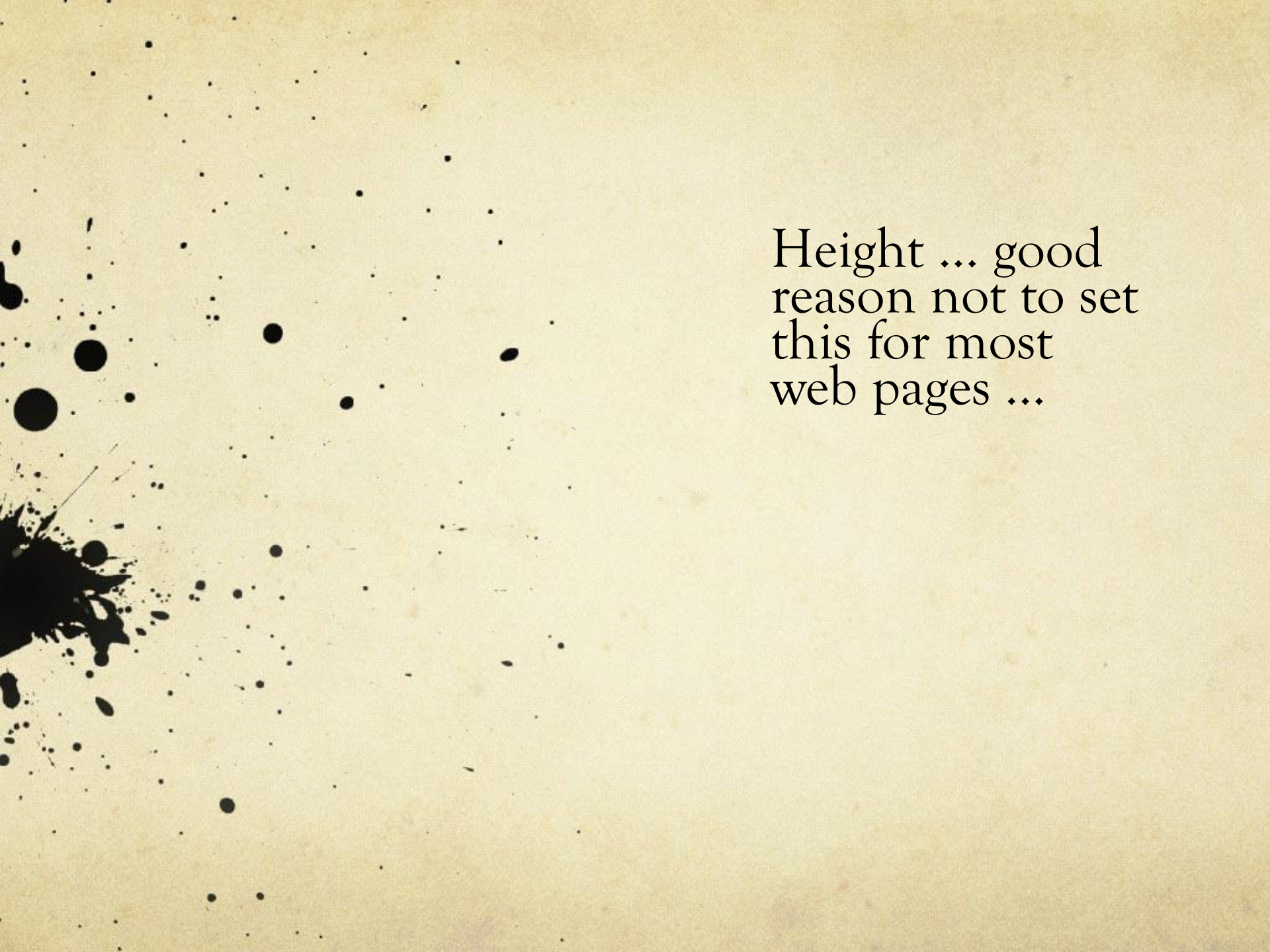
Setting the Content Dimensions



uses rule .wide

```
.wide {  
width: 400px;    height: 100px; }  
.narrow {  
width: 150px;    height: 300px; }
```

uses rule .narrow

The background of the slide is a light beige or cream color, textured like aged paper. It is decorated with numerous black ink splatters and dots of varying sizes. A large, dense cluster of splatters is located on the left side, while smaller, more isolated dots are scattered across the rest of the page.

Height ... good
reason not to set
this for most
web pages ...

Setting the Content Dimensions

- In general you don't specify the height of elements.
- It's usually better to let the browser figure this out based on how much content there is.
- If you do specify height though, you must consider what happens if the content does not fit. This situation is called *overflow*.
- There is a property called **overflow** which can be used to specify this. There are five predefined values it can take
 - visible, hidden, scroll, auto, inherit
- Next slide shows examples ...

Setting the Content Dimensions

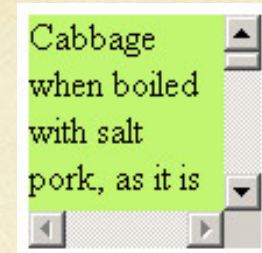
visible

Cabbage when
boiled with salt
pork, as it is
mostly used, is
the food for
strong and
healthy digestive
powers; but
when eaten in its
raw state,
served with
vinegar and

hidden

Cabbage when
boiled with salt
pork, as it is
mostly used, is
the food for

scroll

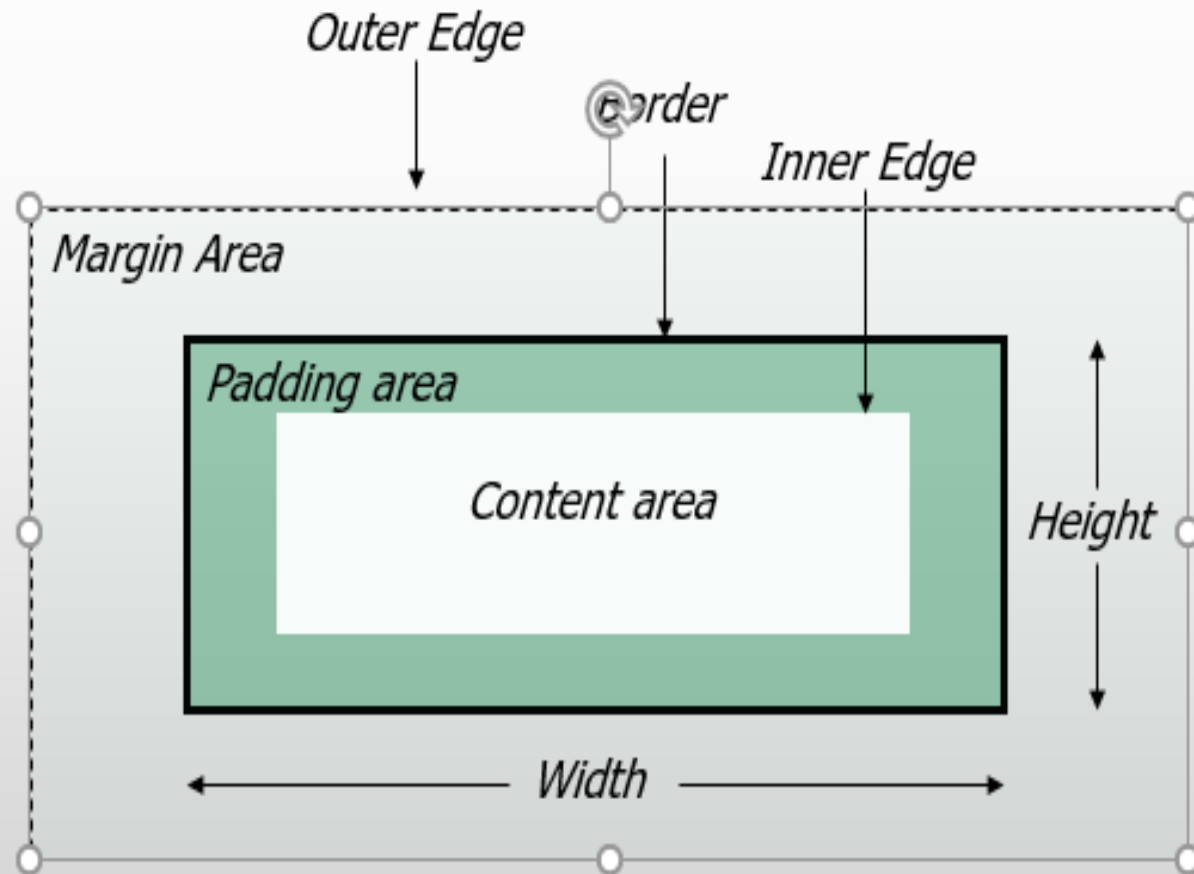


The auto option just lets the browser decide what to do ... i.e. it will add Scroll-bars when overflow begins ...



Margins

The box model



Margins:

keep elements from bumping into one another

- Can use them to make space for another column or content
- Margins work similarly padding ..

margin

values: length | percentage | auto | inherit

default: auto

applies to: all elements

inherits: no

margin-top, margin-right, margin-bottom, margin-left

values: length | percentage | auto | inherit

default: auto

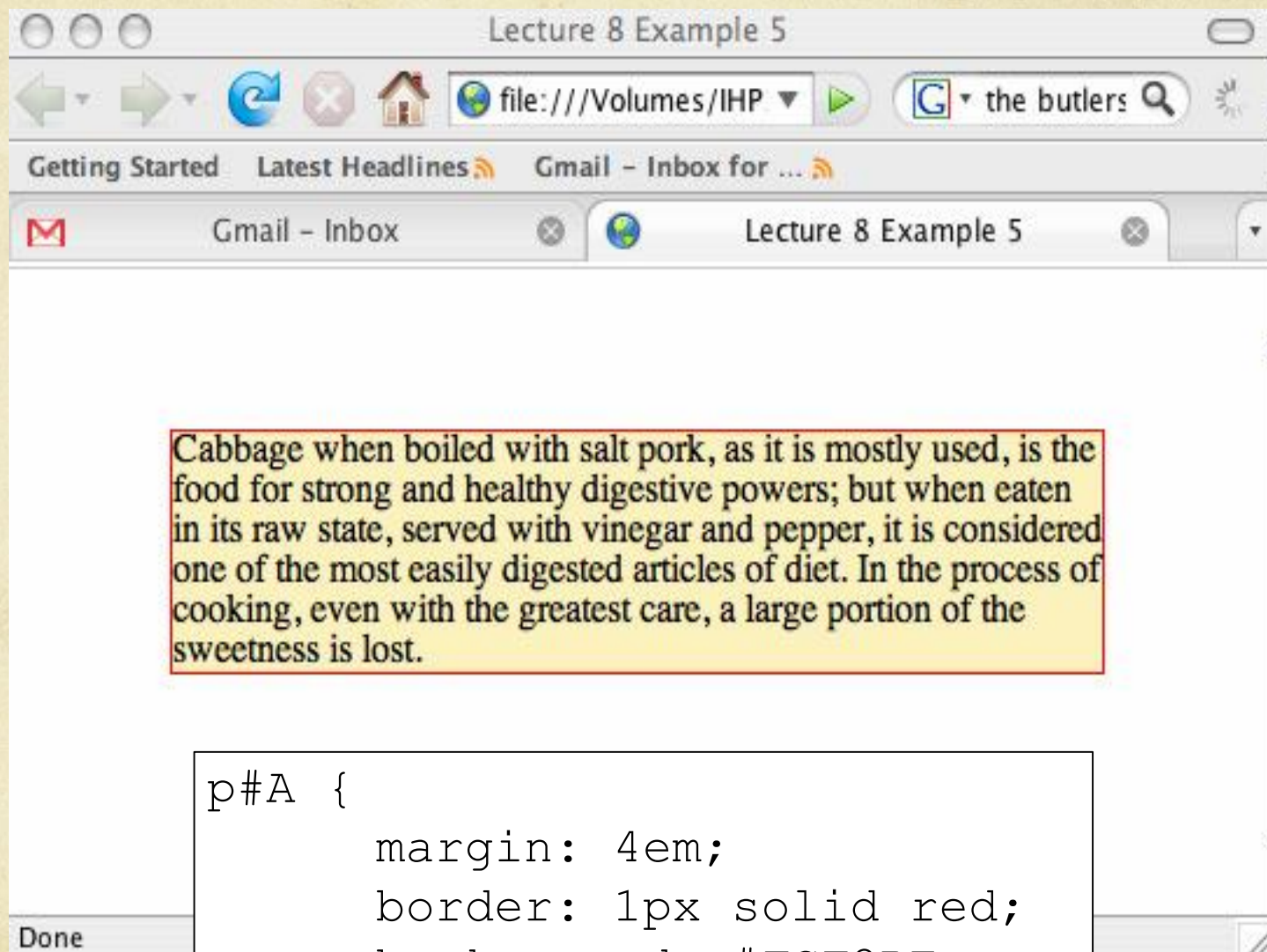
applies to: all elements

inherits: no

Margins

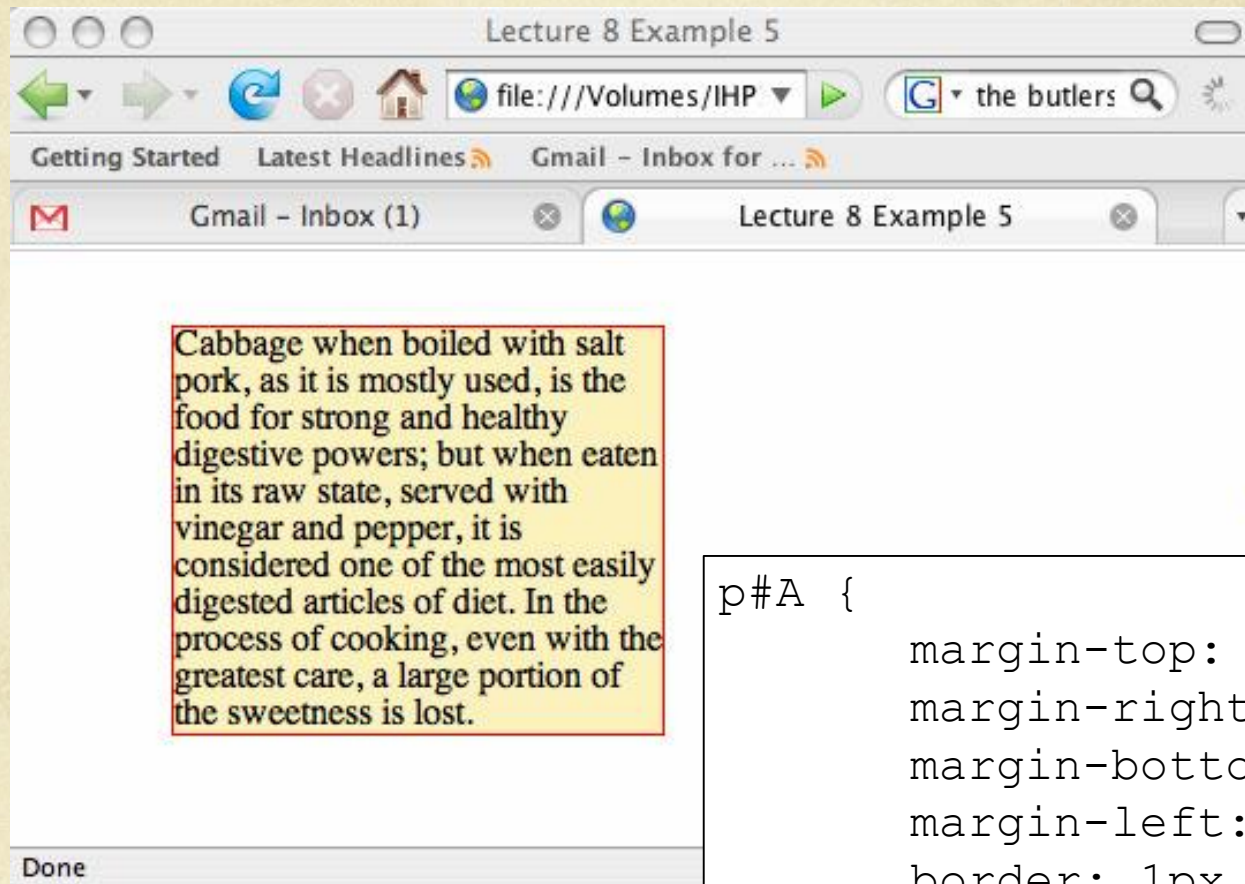
- To add margin just specify an amount
 - In general tend to use ems or pixels as units of measurement
- If we use **margin** it adds the same amount on all sides
- If want different amounts on different sides then use **margin-left, margin-top** etc.
- Following slides show some examples of adding margins to paragraph elements.

Margins



```
p#A {  
    margin: 4em;  
    border: 1px solid red;  
    background: #FCF2BE;  
}
```


Margins



```
p#A {  
    margin-top: 2em;  
    margin-right: 250px;  
    margin-bottom: 1em;  
    margin-left: 4em;  
    border: 1px solid red;  
    background: #FCF2BE;  
}
```


Margins

○ Three things to be aware of with respect to margins:

1. Collapsing Margins

2. Margins on inline elements

3. Negative Margins

The background of the slide features a light beige, textured paper-like surface. On the left side, there are several black ink splatters and dots of varying sizes, creating a decorative, artistic effect. The text is positioned on the right side of the slide.

1. Collapsing Margins

Margins

1. Collapsing Margins

- The most important one is that *neighbouring ones collapse*.
- Suppose you have two adjacent elements that both have margins, for example two paragraphs.
- The **gap** between the elements will not be the sum of the two margins.
- The gap between the elements is equivalent to the larger margin i.e. they collapse into one another.
- Example on next slide.

Margins

The diagram shows a web browser window titled "Lecture 8 Example 5" with two paragraphs of text. The first paragraph is highlighted with a yellow background and a red border. The second paragraph is also highlighted with a yellow background and a red border. The browser window includes a toolbar with navigation buttons, a search bar, and a tab labeled "Gmail - Inbox".

Annotations for the first paragraph:

- Top margin: 4em
- Bottom margin: 4em
- Left margin: 4em
- Right margin: 4em

Annotations for the second paragraph:

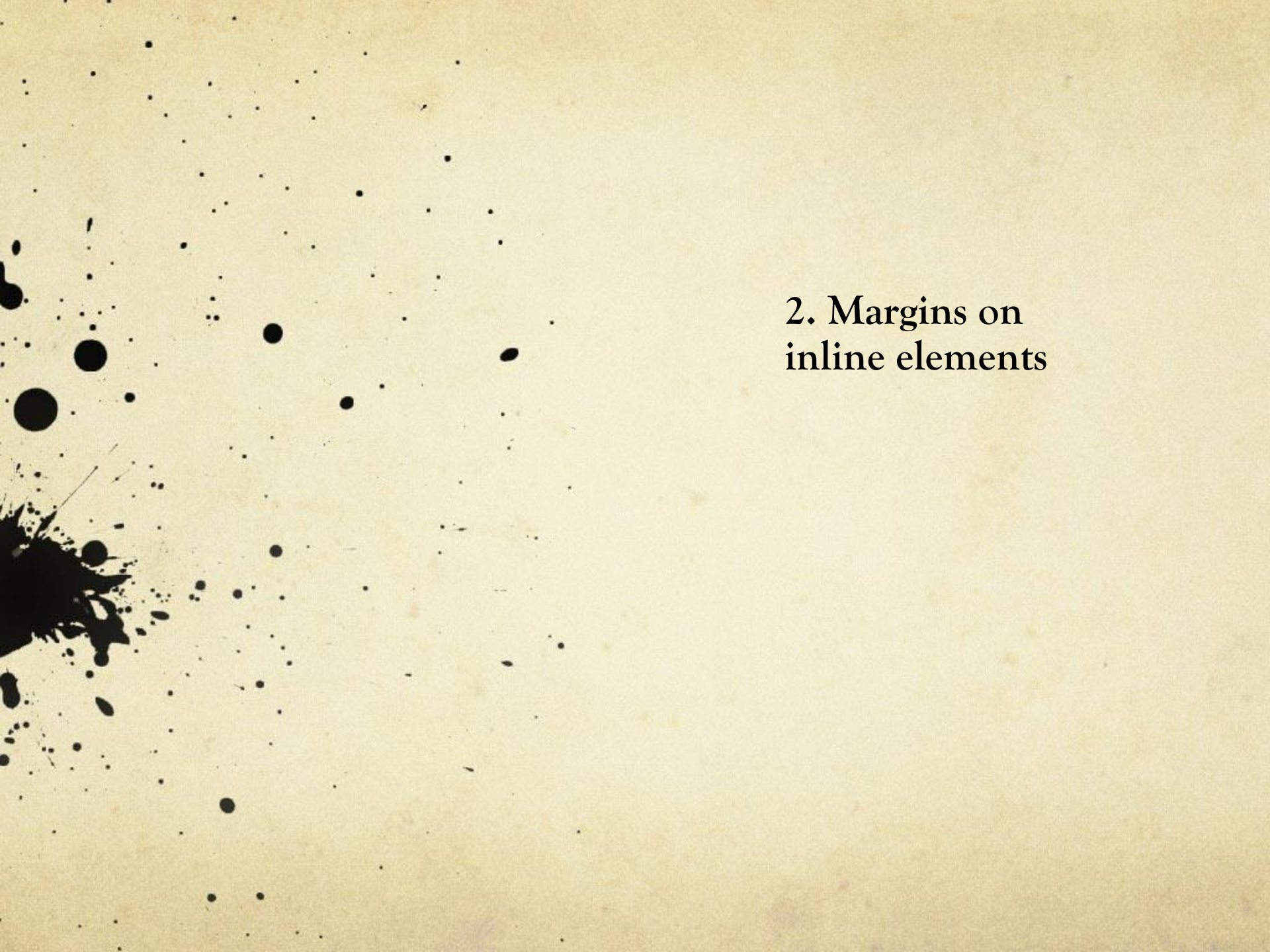
- Top margin: 4em
- Bottom margin: 2em
- Left margin: 2em
- Right margin: 2em

Annotations for the gap between paragraphs:

- Gap is 4em!

Annotations for the overall layout:

- 1st paragraph has margin of 4em all around
- 2nd one has margin of 2em all around



2. Margins on inline elements

Margins

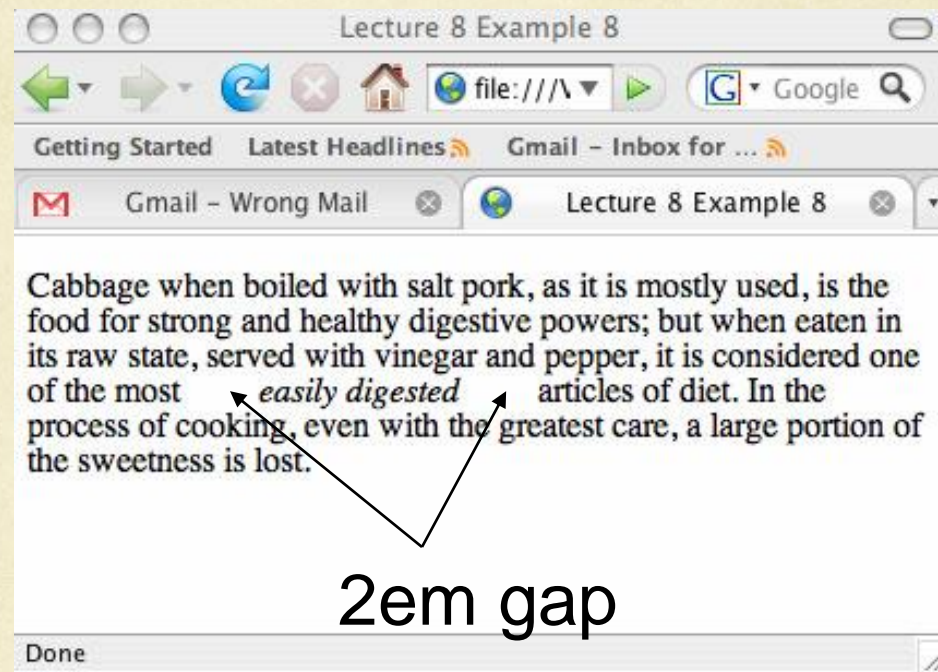
2. Margins on inline elements

- These behave a little differently to what you might expect.
- Basically, applying **top** and **bottom** margins will have no effect but applying **left** and **right** ones will.
- So suppose we make a style rule for an **em** element that includes an all round margin.

```
em { margin: 2em;}
```

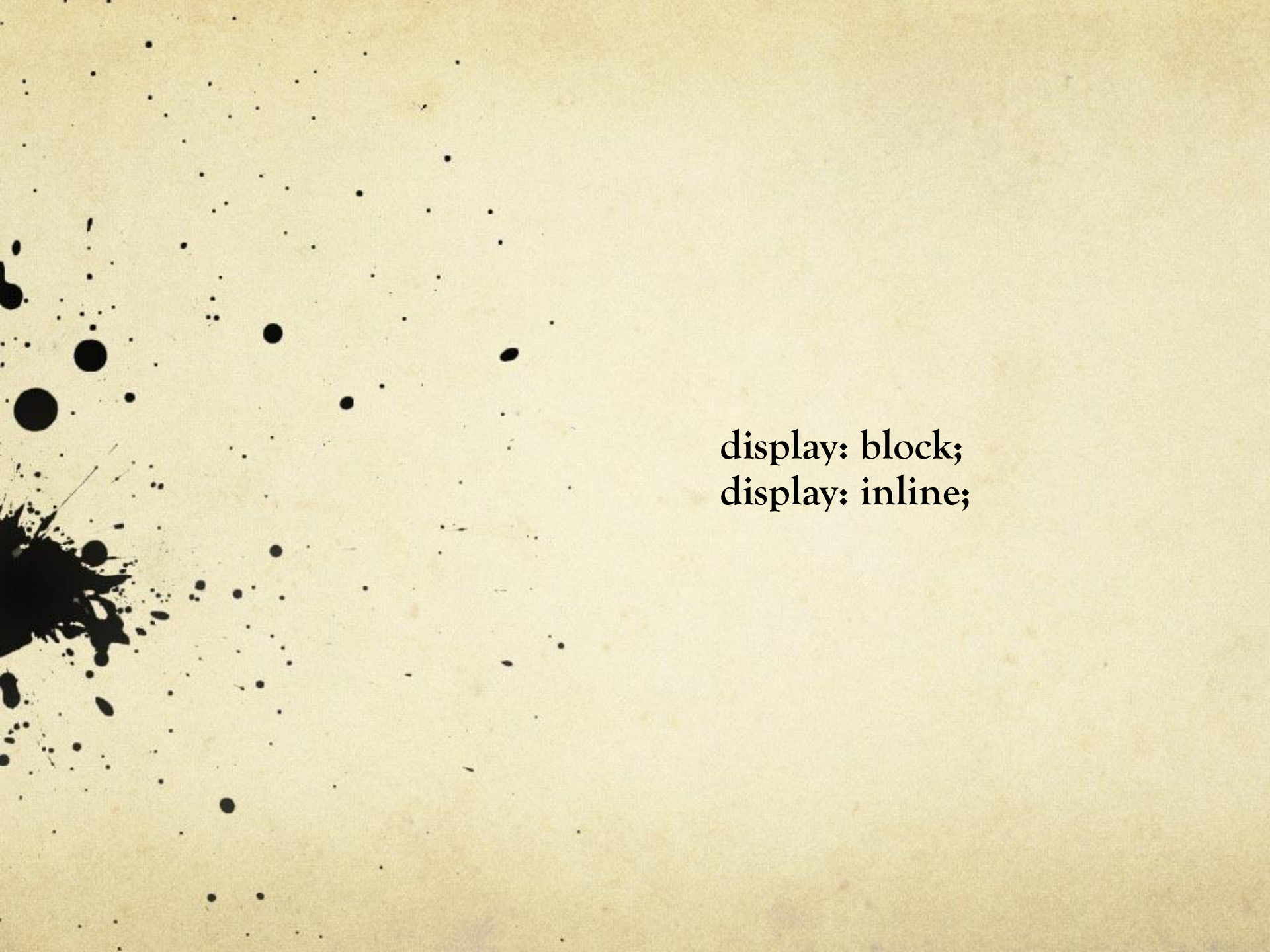
- Overleaf shows what happens to an inline **em** element styled in this way.

Margins



Margins

- The exception to this behaviour is that image elements (**img**) will display margins top and bottom as well and left and right.

The background of the slide is a light beige or cream color, showing signs of aging and wear. On the left side, there are several large, dark ink splatters and numerous smaller black dots scattered across the surface, resembling a traditional ink wash or a distressed paper texture.

`display: block;`
`display: inline;`

You can CHANGE inline to be block elements and vice versa !!!!!!!!!!!

- Sometimes we want to ensure an element is displayed a particular way
 - E.g. we may wish to define width and height – we can only do this if an element is displayed as a BLOCK
 - So we may need to declare that such elements are displayed as block rather than their default INLINE
 - And vice versa
 - E.g. a list all on the same line rather than on separate lines

```
p { display: inline; }  
em { display: block; }
```

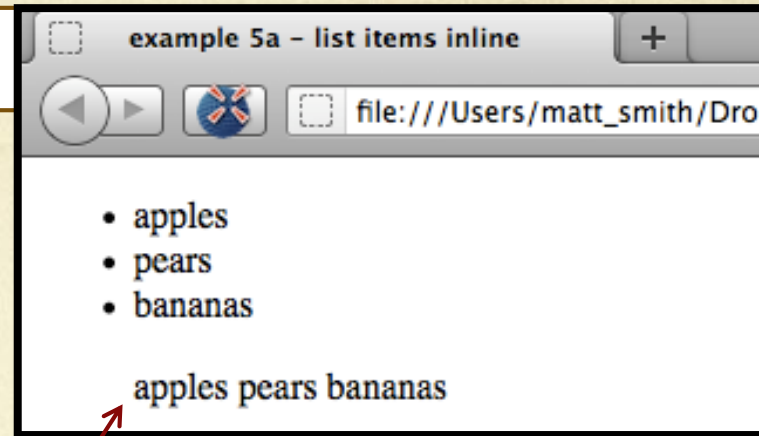
- The following 2 slides illustrate this concept
 - They are a little advanced
 - But we'll meet them soon to create nice navigation bars
 - So it's worth being aware that the BOX MODEL is important in terms of:
 - Can we set **HEIGHT** (BOX)
 - Can we have all on same line (INLINE)
 - Can we float (BOX)
- It will all make sense (hopefully!)

Display list items inline

```
.list2 li
{
    /*
    remove bullets from
    list items
    */
    list-style-type: none;

    /*
    make the list items
    display inline
    */
    display: inline;
}
```

CSS

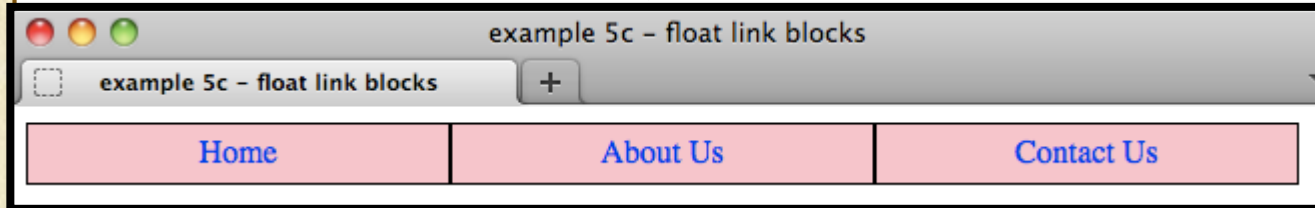


```
<ul>
  <li>apples</li>
  <li>pears</li>
  <li>bananas</li>
</ul>
<ul class="list2">
  <li>apples</li>
  <li>pears</li>
  <li>bananas</li>
</ul>
```

HTML

HTML

Make links blocks, so can float left



CSS

```
nav a
{
  display: block;
  width: 200px;
  border: 1px solid black;
  padding: 5px;
  background-color: pink;
  text-decoration: none;
  text-align: center;
  float: left;
}
```

```
nav li
{
  list-style-type: none;
  display: inline;
}
```

CSS

We will cover more on this next week....

Summary and Conclusions

- We have now dealt with how to *float* elements so they break out of normal flow and text can wrap around them.
- We have learned how to use FLOATs to create 2- and 3-column layouts
- FLOATs can be effective to create complex and visually interesting layouts
 - However, the issue of non-collapsing margins means that either templates must be used (and carefully adjusted) or that page layouts created from scratch must pay careful attention to the addition of top border/padding to ensure that non-floated columns line up with FLOATed ones

The 5 rules for effective use of Floats

1. A width must be defined for any Floated item
1. Margins do not collapse for Floated items
2. Floated in-line elements behave as block-level elements
3. Floated items should appear first in the HTML file
4. Non-floated elements need right/left margins to prevent flowing underneath Floated elements

2- and 3- column FLOAT templates

1. All content inside a 960px 'wrapper' DIV
2. Sum of all 2 or 3 columns = 960px
3. Internals of each column can be individually styled, without 'breaking' the container DIVs

Useful links

- As usual, the website A List Apart is a good source of examples and tutorials for page layout topics, e.g.

Floating

<http://www.alistapart.com/articles/css-floats-101/>

*Note – in many US universities, the first module in a subject has the code “101”
– so many introductory articles will name themselves [TOPIC-NAME]-101*

Average width of FIXED pixel width layouts:

<http://www.iteracy.com/resources/build-a-better-website/size-and-layout-of-a-web-page/>

Useful links

- Why make total page with 960px?

See this recent review about screen resolution of hardware 'clients' that are viewing web pages:

<http://www.iteracy.com/resources/build-a-better-website/size-and-layout-of-a-web-page/>

- Also read interesting article about life “below the fold”...read some of the articles but look at the design of the sites...quite nice and very achievable at your stage 😊

<http://iampaddy.com/lifebelow600/>



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Web page size and layout

Most web pages follow a common set of sizes and layouts, which you'll recognise even if you aren't aware of them. For example, did you know that nine out of the [top ten most popular websites](#) in the world use a fixed-width, centre-aligned design? Maybe you should too.

Note that this article is now a little old, for more information about modern design standards, check out our [Responsive Design page](#).

Our article on web page size and layout breaks down web design into simple concepts, and helps you decide on a format for your website. To understand what the individual elements of a page are for, and why you need them, read our [anatomy of a web page](#).

But css3 is making life easier for us all the time with:

- Box-sizing
- Flex-boxes(later)

What next?

The navigation bar for your sites

Some practice with divs for layout

Some practice with the box model elements...padding,
borders ,margins and width/height