# HTML ELEMENT STATES PSEUPO-CLASSES

A PARTICULAR ELEMENT IN HTML CAN BE IN ONE OF MANY STATES

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A PLAIN UNCLICKED LINK

A CLICKED LINK

A SELECTED LINK

A LINK OVER WHICH THE MOUSE IS HOVERS

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THE SELECTOR [a.] Link { THE PSEUDO-CLASS color: orange; }
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PSEUDO-CLASSES ARE NOT REAL CSS CLASSES, THEY ARE NOT DEFINED SPECIFICALLY ANY WHERE

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a.link {
                       THE STYLE FOR AN UNCLICKED LINK
   color: orange;
a.visited {
                       THE STYLE FOR A VISITED LINK
   color: black;
a.active {
                       THE STYLE FOR A SELECTED LINK
   color: red;
                       THE STYLE FOR THE LINK WHEN THE
a.hover {
   color: green;
                       USER'S MOUSE HOVERS OVER THE IT
```

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div.hover {
    color: grey;
}
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#### THE HOVER STATE CAN BE USED WITH OTHER ELEMENTS AS WELL

IT'S VERY USEFUL TO GIVE VISUAL FEEDBACK TO THE USER THAT A CLICK WOULD ACTIVATE THE ELEMENT OVER WHICH HE IS HOVERING