

Understanding display, visibility and float

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PAGE FLOW

Content in
your page
start at the
top-left,
goes right,
flows to the
bottom

The float property places an element to the left or right of its container.

Always create a container for your floating elements

EXPLAINED |

Absolutely positioned content will be removed from the normal flow of a page

```
44 .info {
45     position: absolute;
46     top: 10px;
47     right: 20px
48 }
```

ABSOLUTE POSITIONING

Absolutely positioned elements will not affect the position of other elements

Other elements will not affect them – whether they touch each other or not

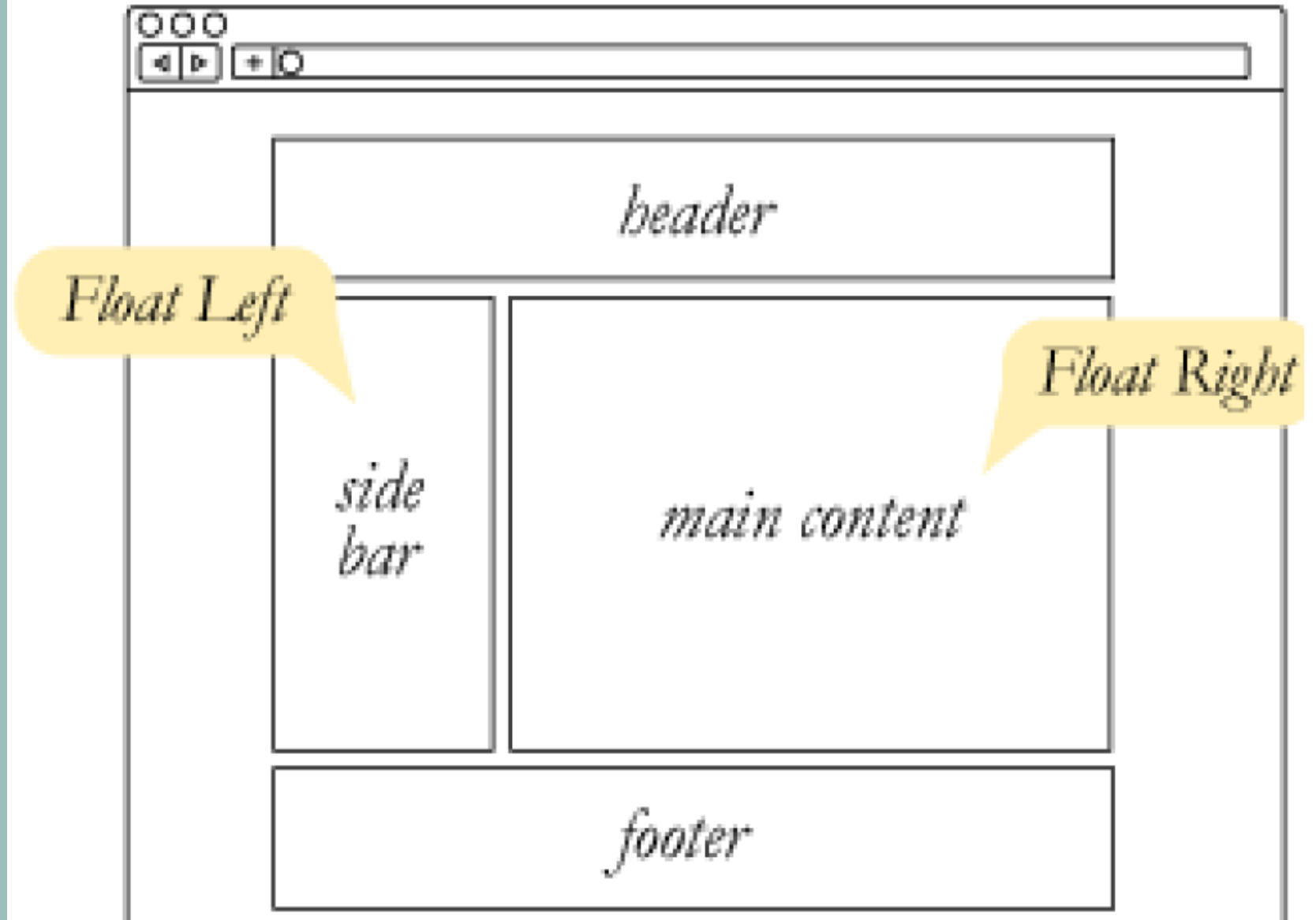
ABSOLUTE POSITIONING

FLOAT

EXAMPLE

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IDEA/ EXAMPLE



FLOAT VALUES

Specified value	Computed value
<code>inline</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>inline-block</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>inline-table</code>	<code>table</code>
<code>table-row</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-row-group</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-column</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-column-group</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-cell</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-caption</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-header-group</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>table-footer-group</code>	<code>block</code>
<code>inline-flex</code>	<code>flex</code>
<code>inline-grid</code>	<code>grid</code>
<i>other</i>	<i>unchanged</i>

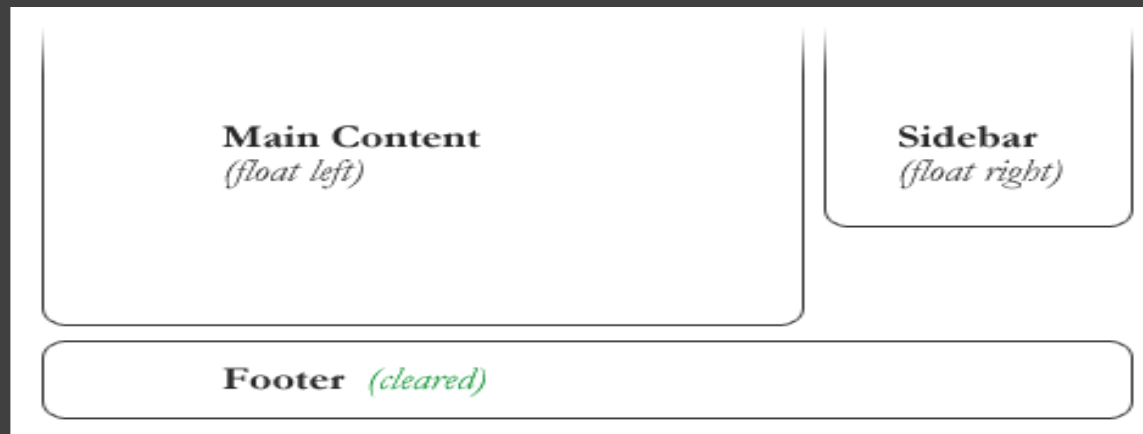
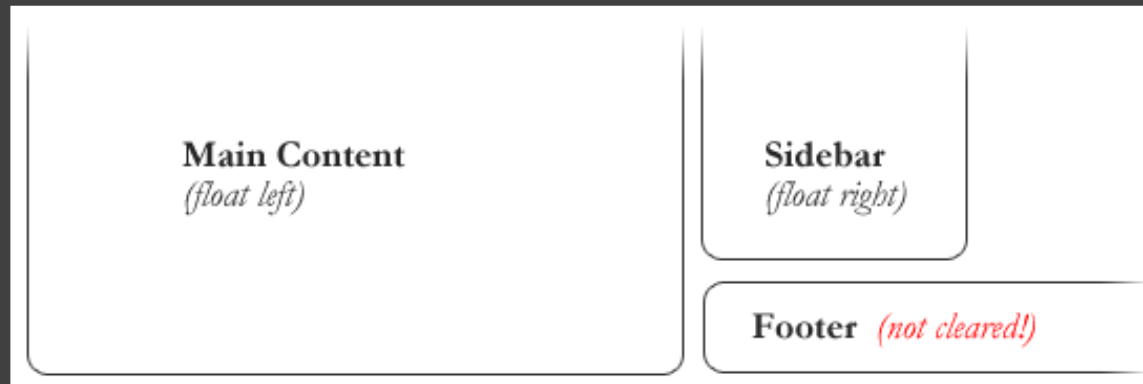
IMPLICATIONS

FLOAT

Absolutely positioned content assumes you are using block-level containment.

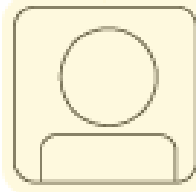
CLEARING THE FLOAT

`clear: [both | right | left]`



ABSOLUTE FAIL

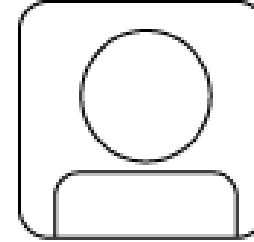
Float Left



Jeff McFloat

ACCOUNT
CHANGE PASSWORD
LOG OUT

Reflowed to fit



Jeff McFloat

ACCOUNT
CHANGE PASSWORD
LOG OUT

Position Absolute

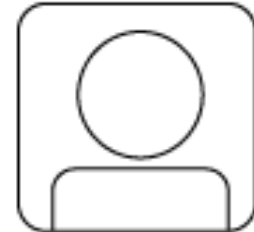


Suzy Absolute

ACCOUNT
CHANGE PASSWORD
LOG OUT

PADDING

Uh oh! No reflow.



Suzy Absolute

COUNT
ANGE PASSWORD
G OUT

INLINE-START

`float: inline-start`

The element must float on the start side (left) of its containing block

`float: inline-end`

The element must float on the end side (right) of its containing block

Show or hide your element

The DOM remains – as is

Nothing moves around

VISIBILITY

POSSIBLE VALUES

```
visibility: visible;  
visibility: hidden;  
visibility: collapse;  
visibility: inherit;  
visibility: initial;  
visibility: revert;  
visibility: revert-layer;  
visibility: unset;
```

ACCESSIBILITY

Assistive reading
software/devices **will not work**
with content that is marked
with visibility: hidden