

# CASCADING STYLE SHEETS (CSS)

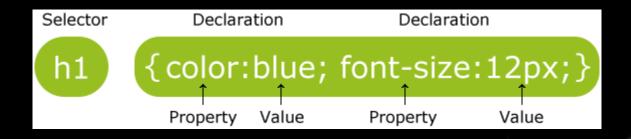
- ❖ Cascading-Style Sheet or **CSS** is not a **programming language**. It is a mark up **language** used with HTML to design the user interface of a website (the style is applied to the mark up **language** through out the same sections of similar parts.
- ❖ The CSS Working Group began tackling issues that had not been addressed with CSS level 1, resulting in the creation of CSS level 2 on **November 4, 1997**. It was published as a W3C Recommendation on **May 12, 1998**. CSS level 3, which was started in **1998**, is still under development as of 2019.

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- **❖** What is CSS?
  - CSS stands for Cascading Style Sheets
  - CSS describes how HTML elements are to be displayed on screen, paper, or in other media
  - CSS saves a lot of work. It can control the layout of multiple web pages all at once
  - External stylesheets are stored in CSS files.
- \* CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) allows us to apply formatting and styling to the HTML that builds our web pages.
- \* CSS can control many elements of our web pages: colors, fonts, alignment, borders, backgrounds, spacing, margins, and much more.

## CASCADING STYLE SHEETS (CSS)

CSS Syntax



# CSS TYPES

- \* External style sheet
  - link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="mystyle.css">
- ❖ Internal style sheet
- \* <head>
  <style>
  body {
   background-color: linen;
  }
  </style>
  </head>
- Inline style
- ♦ <h1 style="color:blue;margin-left:30px;">This is a heading.</h1>



#### **❖** The Universal Selectors

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```
* {
color: #000000;
}
```

## Tag Selectors

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```
h1 {
color: #000000;
}
```

## **❖** The Class Selectors

• You can define style rules based on the class attribute of the elements. All the elements having that class will be formatted according to the defined rule.

```
.black {
color: #000000;
}
```

## **❖**The ID Selectors

• You can define style rules based on the *id* attribute of the elements. All the elements having that *id* will be formatted according to the defined rule.

```
#black {
color: #000000;
}
```

## What is the difference between ID and class?

- ▶ IDs and classes function the same way they can both provide the same styling functionality to an HTML element, however...
  - IDs are unique; each element can only have one ID, and that ID can only be on the page once.
  - Classes are not unique; an element can have multiple classes, and multiple elements can have the same class.
- ▶ What does that mean?
  - IDs can be used to style elements that are different from anything else on the page.
  - Classes can be used to style multiple elements on a single page that have things in common, like font size, color, or style.

### Grouping Selectors

• You can apply a style to many selectors if you like. Just separate the selectors with a comma, as given in the following example:

```
h1, h2, h3 {
color: #36C;
font-weight: normal;
letter-spacing: .4em;
margin-bottom: 1em;
text-transform: lowercase;
}
```

#### **❖** The Descendant Selectors

• Suppose you want to apply a style rule to a particular element only when it lies inside a particular element. As given in the following example, the style rule will apply to <em> element only when it lies inside the tag.

```
div h3 {
color: #000000;
}
```

### The Child Selectors

• You have seen the descendant selectors. There is one more type of selector, which is very similar to descendants but have different functionality. Consider the following example:

```
body > p {
color: #000000;
}
```

### The Attribute Selectors

• You can also apply styles to HTML elements with particular attributes. The style rule below will match all the input elements having a type attribute with a value of *text*:

```
input[type="text"] {
  color: #000000;
  }
```