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# What is CSS?



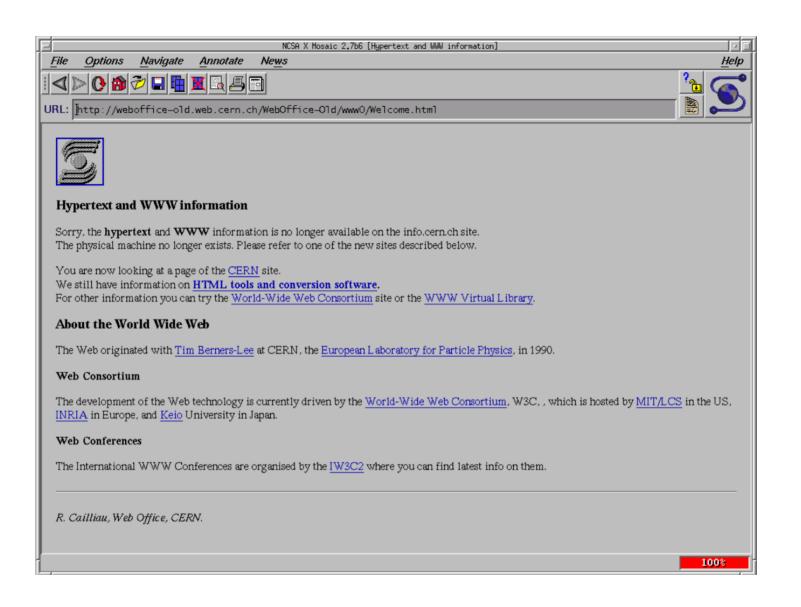
CSS is what makes the internet look good.

## HTML

- HTML = HyperText Markup Language
- What is the content of the page?

## CSS

- CSS = Cascading Style Sheets
- How should the contents appear?



<sup>[\*]</sup> The Mosaic browser from back when the internet was fugly. 😱

## Inline Style

```
<html>
    <body>
        <!-- Nobody does this anymore! -->
        I'm bold!
        </body>
    </html>
```

## **Embedded Styles**

## **Linked Styles**

# Structure of CSS

CSS is a set of rules.

Each rule has the following structure:

```
<selectors> {
    <declarations>
}
```

#### Selectors

Selectors are used to target specific portions of the document.

"To which elements does this apply?"

#### **Declarations**

The declaration block contains one or more declarations, each of which has the form:

"What must be done with the selected elements?"

```
p {
  font-color: red;
}
```

The *selector* is p. This tells us what portion of the document the rule will be applied to.

The *property* is font-color and the *value* is red.

The effect of this rule is that all paragraph content (within  $_{\text{P}}$  tags) will be rendered as red text.

# The Selector Zoo

# Tags CSS

```
color: red;
```

```
>
All paragraph text will be red.
```

## Identifier

An identifier rule begins with a "#" and targets one specific element in the document.

CSS

```
#introduction {
  font-style: italic;
}
```

An identifier is unique within a document.

```
<div id="introduction">
  This is the introduction.
</div>
<div>
  This is not the introduction!
</div>
```

## Class

A class rule begins with a ".".

CSS

```
.big {
  font-size: 2rem;
}
.huge {
  font-size: 4rem;
}
```

#### HTML

```
  This is normal text.

  This is big text.

  This is HUGE text!
```

A class rule can be applied to multiple elements in a document.

## Grouping

Multiple selectors can be grouped together, separated by a ",".

CSS

HTML

```
h1, h2 {
  font-style: italic;
}
```

```
<h1>Chapter Heading</h1>
<h2>First Section</h2>
<h2>Second Section</h2>
```

The rules will be applied to *all* of the selectors listed in the group.

## **Descendants**

Descendant selectors identify tags which are descendants (but not necessarily *direct* descendants!) in the document tree.

CSS

```
.outer p {
}
```

```
<div class="outer">
  Some paragraph text.
  <div class="inner">
      Some more paragraph text.
  </div>
</div>
This paragraph is not selected!
```

## Children

Child selectors identify tags which are *direct* descendants of a parent tag.

CSS

```
.outer > p {
}
```

```
<div class="outer">
  I'm a direct descendant.
  <div class="inner">
        I'm not a direct descendant.
        </div>
</div>
```

## Adjacent Sibling

Adjacent sibling selectors identify tags which are at the same level in the document tree and adjacent to each other.

CSS

```
.big + p {
}
```

```
  This is big text.

Some paragraph text.
Some more paragraph text.
```

## Attribute

Attribute selectors identify tags which have specific attribute values.

CSS

```
img[width="50%"] {
}
```

```
<img width="50%">
<img width="100%">
```

## Attribute Pattern

You can also match on attribute patterns.

#### CSS

```
/* "begins with" */
a[href^="mailto://"] {
}
```

```
/* "ends with" */
a[href$=".pdf"] {
}
```

```
/* "contains" */
img[src*="logo"] {
}
```

```
<a href="http://">
<a href="mailto://">
<a href="ftp://">
<a href="logo.png">
<a href="logo.png">
<a href="report.pdf">
<a href="report.docx">

<img src="avatar.png">
<img src="company-logo.png">
<img src="banner.jpg">
<img src="banner.jpg">
</img src="banner.jpg">
```

# Pseudo-Classes

# First, Last & Only Child

CSS

```
p:first-child {
    /* */
    /* */
    /* */
    /* */
}

p:last-child {
    /* */
    /* */
    /* */
}
p:only-child {
    /* */
}
```

```
<div>
</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>
</div>
```

## nth Child

The :nth-child(n) selector matches the nth child element, regardless of type.

#### CSS

```
li:nth-child(2) {
    /* */
    /* */
    /* */
}
```

```
li:nth-child(odd) {}
li:nth-child(even) {}
```

```
li:nth-child(3n) {}
li:nth-child(2n+1) {}
```

#### HTML

#### n can be:

- a number
- a keyword or
- a formula.

Formula is of form an + b with n starting at 0.

# nth of Type

The :nth-of-type(n) selector matches the nth element of a specific type (with the same parent!).

CSS

```
table:nth-of-type(2) {
    /* */
    /* */
    /* */
    /* */
}
```

# Let the Styling Commence!