

:nth-child

*:nth-child(n / *even* / *odd* / $An \pm B$)* is used for matching element that is n th child of its parent.

- *n* is number of element
- *even* or *odd* element
- formula *($An \pm B$)-th* element of a list (A is a step size, n is non-negative number starting from 0, B is the integer offset)

Let's try it out, with our favorite circle example 😊



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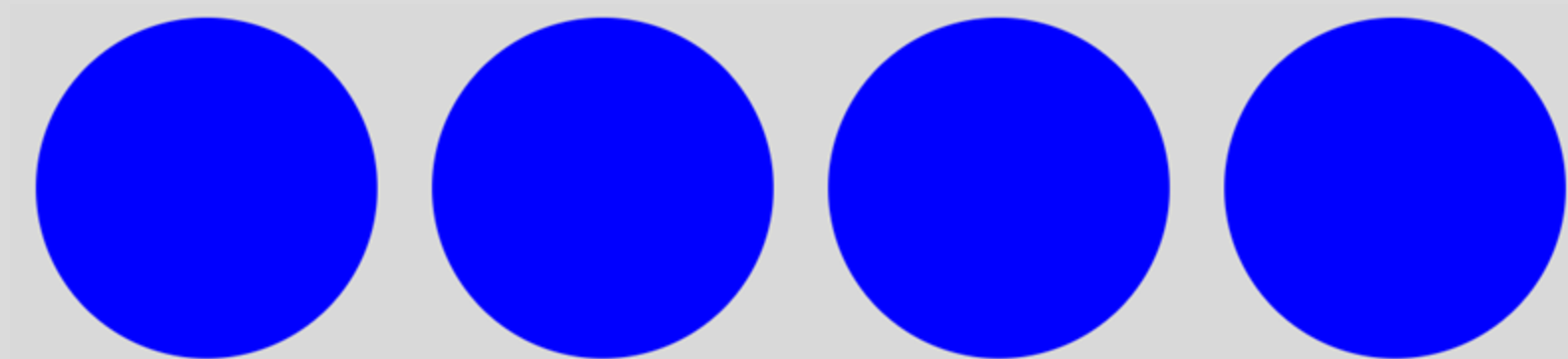
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Let's create 4 circles:

```
<body>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
</body>
```

```
.circle {
  width: 250px;
  height: 250px;
  border-radius: 50%;
  background-color: blue;
}
```



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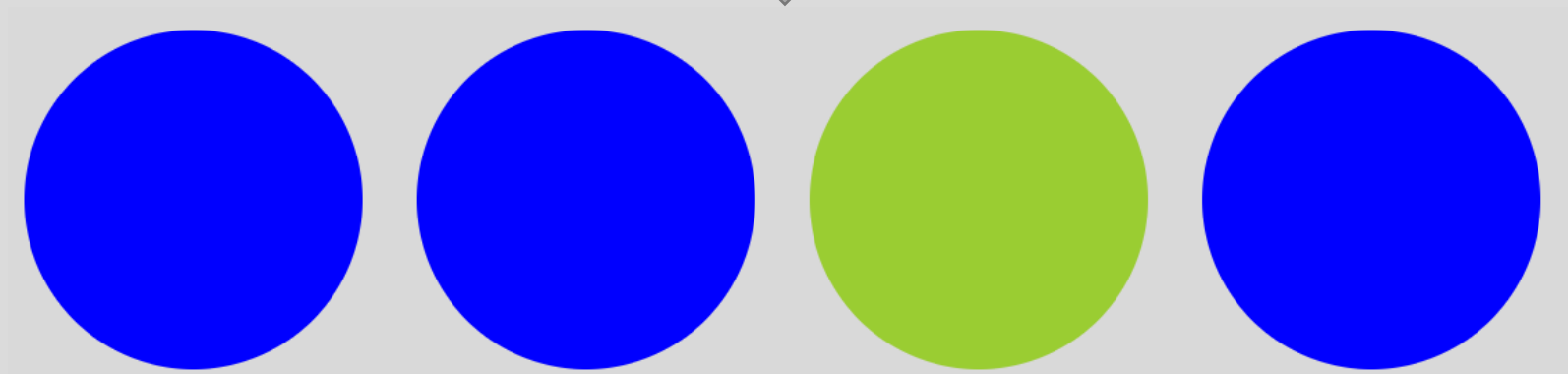
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Change the color of 3rd circle, using *element* and *:nth-child* selector

```
<body>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
</body>
```

```
div:nth-child(3) {
  background-color: yellowgreen;
}

.circle {
  width: 250px;
  height: 250px;
  border-radius: 50%;
  background-color: blue;
}
```



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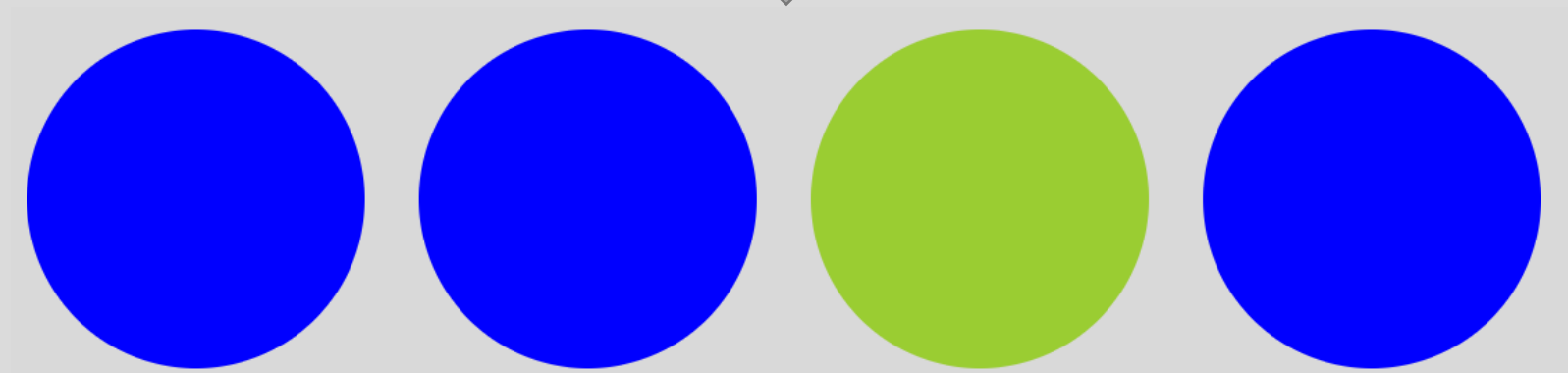
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Change the color of 3rd circle, using ***class*** and ***:nth-child*** selector

```
<body>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
</body>
```

```
.circle:nth-child(3) {
  background-color: yellowgreen;
}

.circle {
  width: 250px;
  height: 250px;
  border-radius: 50%;
  background-color: blue;
}
```



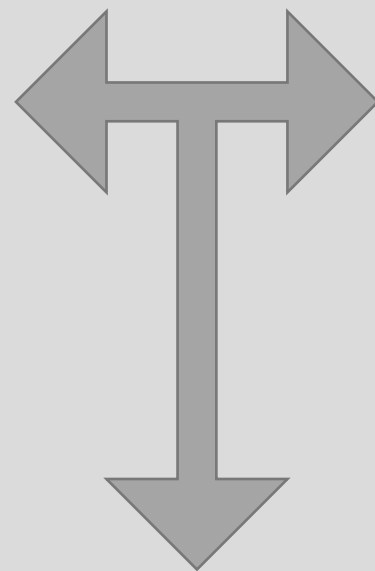
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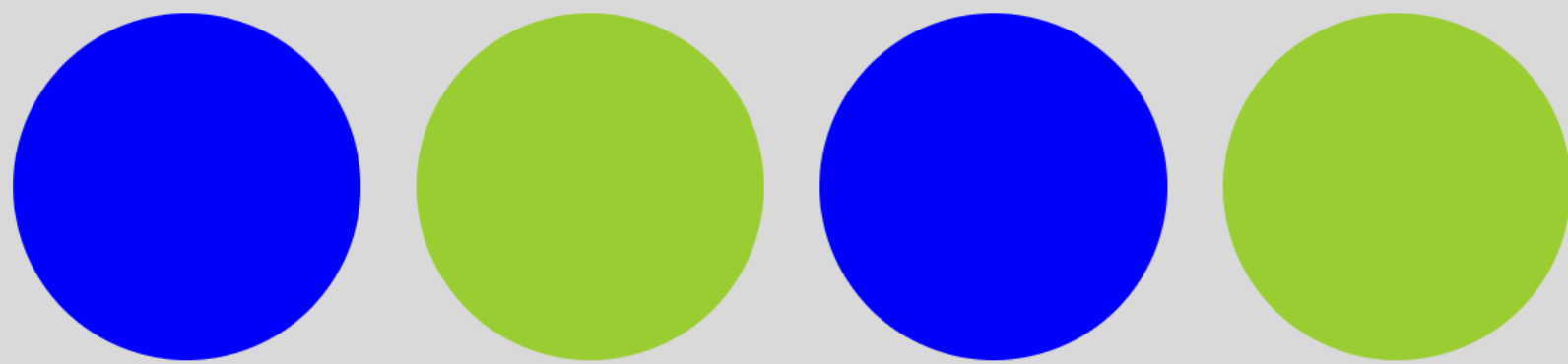
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Alternate color using, *:nth-child* with *even* and *odd* keyword

```
<body>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
</body>
```



```
.circle:nth-child(even) {
  background-color: yellowgreen;
}
.circle:nth-child(odd) {
  background-color: blue;
}
.circle {
  width: 250px;
  height: 250px;
  border-radius: 50%;
}
```



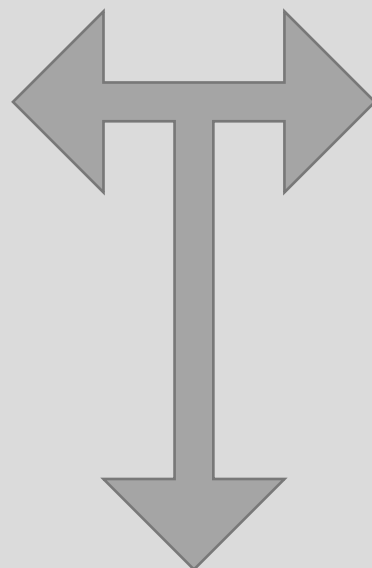
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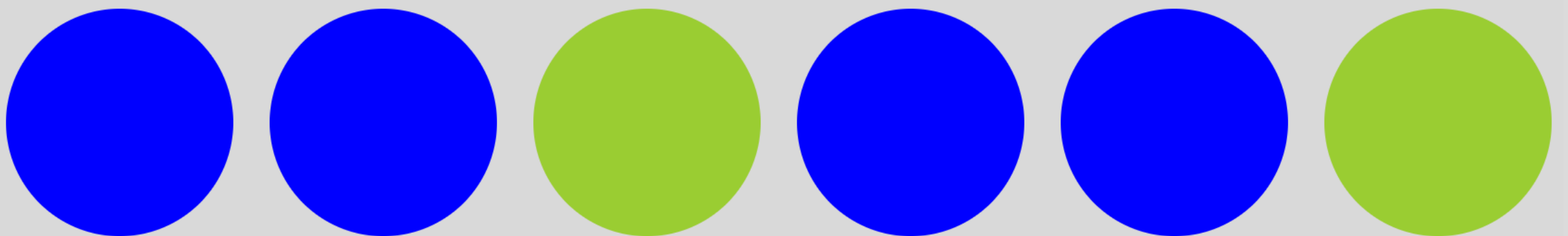
Change the color every 3rd circle, using *:nth-child* and formula

```
<body>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
  <div class="circle"></div>
</body>
```



```
.circle:nth-child(3n) {
  background-color: yellowgreen;
}

.circle {
  width: 250px;
  height: 250px;
  border-radius: 50%;
  background-color: blue;
}
```



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For complete sample:

<https://github.com/asadhasnain/tips/tree/master/CSS/Tip3-nth-child>



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