

Prototyping

Design + Content-first approaches to prototyping



About Us

Kalamuna makes the Internet for for mission-driven organizations driven to tinker, critique, and change the way things are. We specialize in design, strategy, user experience, and development.

Trial vs Error



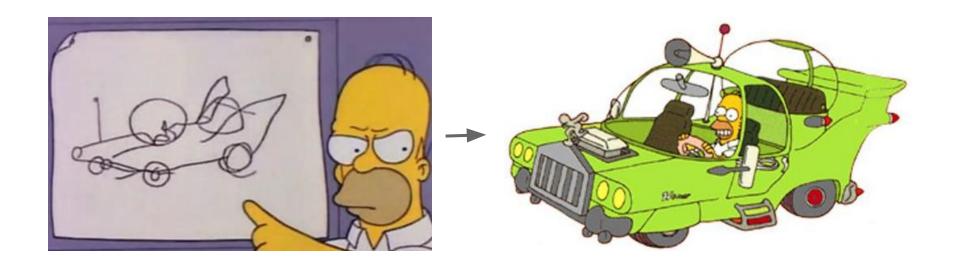
to build sites that MATTER



Prototyping = Solutions



Can you imagine a world without prototyping?



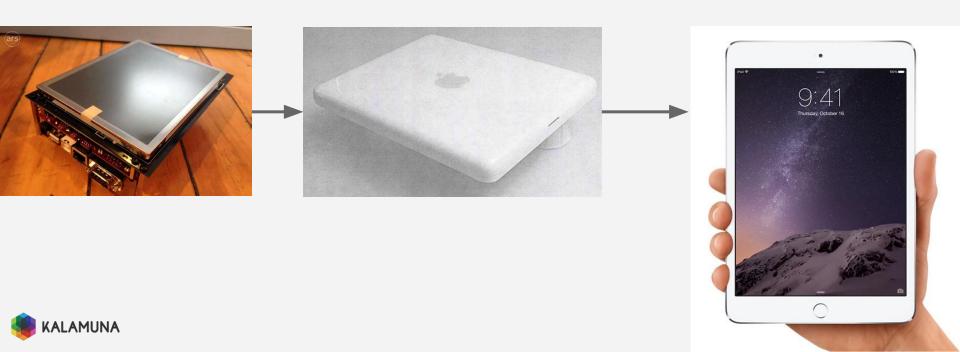


nature is weird





iPad Prototypes



Why Prototyping

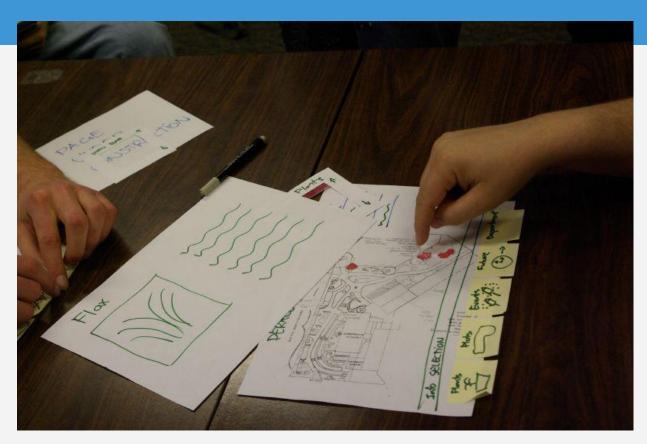
- ACTUALLY test early
- Get stakeholder feedback early
- Removed waterfall-effect from passing designs back and forth
- Avoid solving hard problems in Drupal if features aren't awesome



Prototyping for the Web

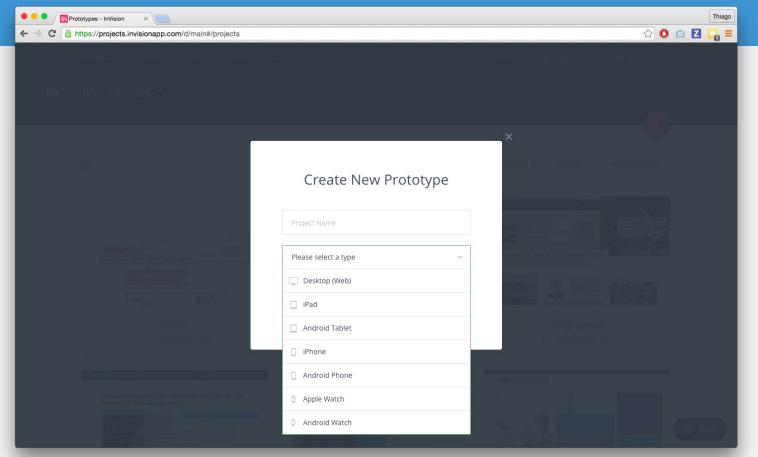


Paper prototypes





Some prototypes are only responsive-ish





Let's use the native medium

Kalastatic

</title>

http://alistapart.com/blog/post/15-years-of-dao

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
<head>
    ase href="/" />
    eta charset="utf-8">
     ta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">
     ta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1">
     nk rel="shortcut icon" href="images/favicon.ico" type="image/vnd.
      k rel="apple-touch-icon" href="images/touch-icon.png">
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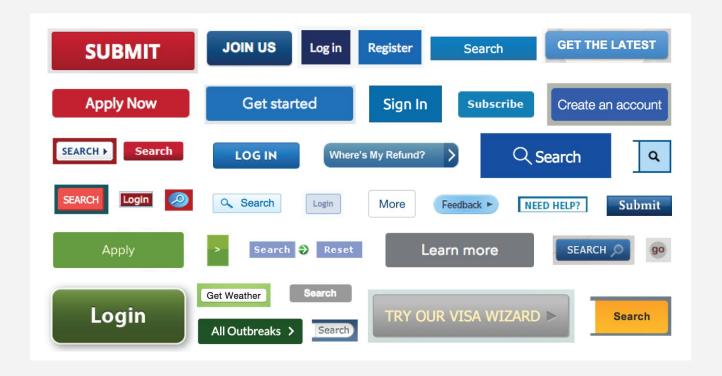
Characteristics of a Solid Web Prototyping Solution



A Style Guide!



No guide = no style



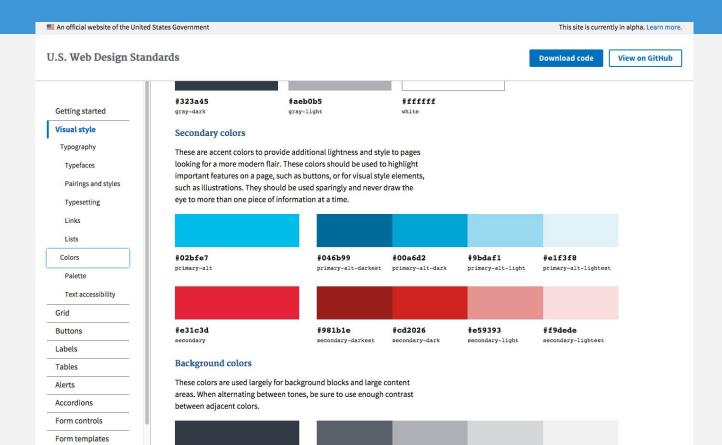


the new US standard (in alpha)





the US standard





Styleguides can also be about words



▼ NGS Style Manual

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- A -
- B -
- C -
- D -
- E -
- F -
- G -
- H -

NGS Style Manual > - F - >

F-word

NGS preferred capitalization and hyphenation.



Component Architectures













<input>

<a>>

<h3>

<h1 class="logo">



Molecule

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Organism





Some Drupal-y Components

2.0 - Compontents

Functional patterns that are repleated throughout out the site.

2.1 - Cards

Great for grids and masonry, extends the thumbnail. Usually used with masonry.

Default styling



Why water needs Collective Action 2.0 September 22, 2014

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.card-inverse inverse variation







2.3 - Content teaser

Great for larger displays of content throughout the site. Extends the bootstrap media pattern.

Default styling

3 tips from Caltech on how to keep project drift at bay

November 27, 2013 By Candice D McLeod

With the right approach, building owners can match actual energy savings with the theoretical

Operations & Maintenance Buildings

2.2 - Content List

Small listing of content on the site

Default styling



Content List Heading

Small byline text is available here.



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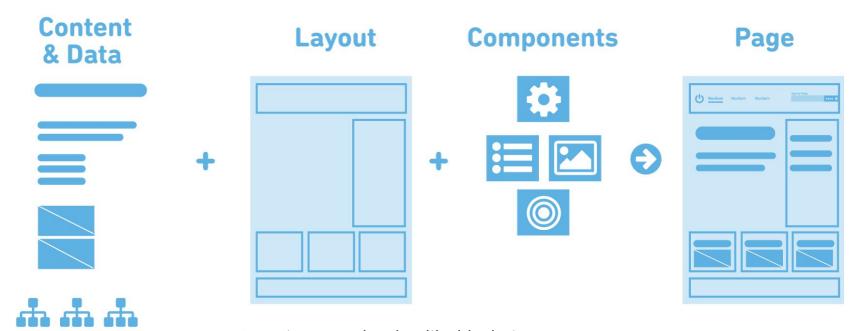


Why it Matters?

- Reusability, and consistency
- Markup needs assessed as planning and not afterthought
- Serve as a guide for future work
- Identify styling regressions as a project evolves
- Results in smaller style assets (DRY)



Layouts & Pages



- Organisms + Molecules: like blocks in a Layout.
- Add content to a layout and it is a Page

Content Workflows



Content

- Lorem ipsum dolar sit amet
- It's not an afterthought!
- The site adapts to it (not vice versa)
- It has mass and takes up space (it matters)
- Updating content/images should be easy
- The Dean will love the design with his face in it



Testing



Tests

- Continuous Integration
- Automated Build Tests
- Linting (JS,HTML and CSS/SCSS)
- Accessibility Reports



Welcome to Kalastatic

a static framework for prototyping responsive sites, styleguides, and designing in-browser.

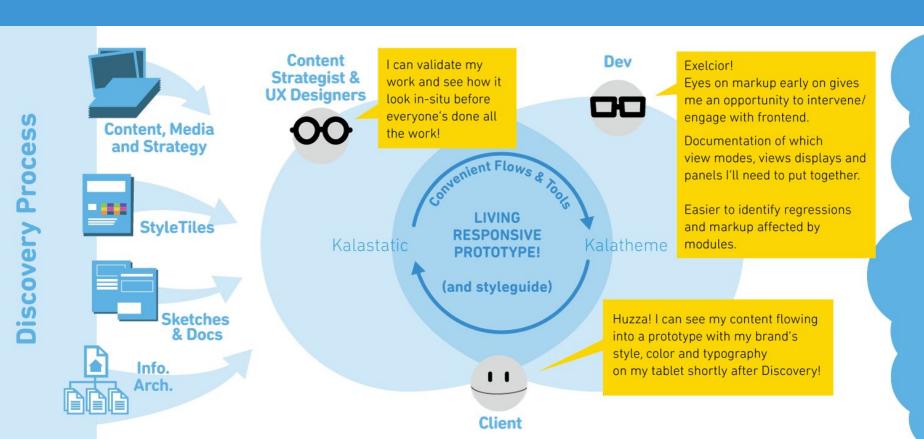


Why?

With Kalastatic we close the gap early between visual design, content strategy and frontend development.



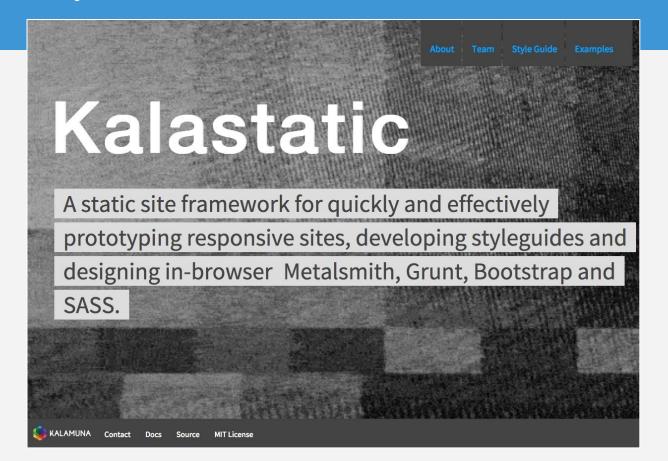
Strategy, Design and Code - Together!



Prototyping Examples



http://test-kalastatic.at.kalamuna.com





kalastatic + kalatheme in love

kalastatic imported into kalatheme (vs vanilla kalatheme)

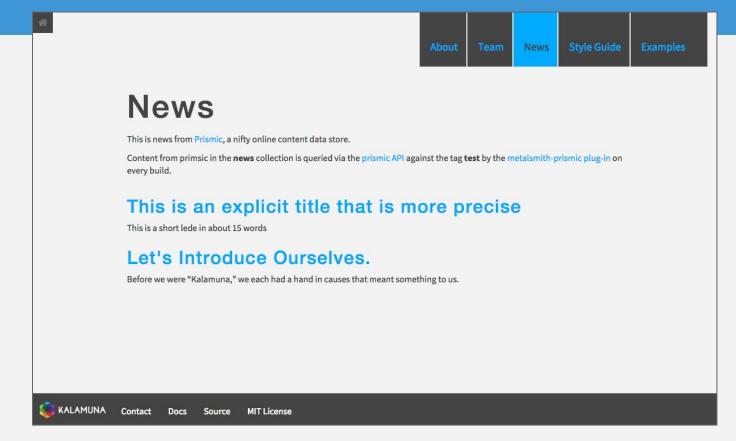
- > prototype in Drupal
- > kalastatic.module configuration



Application Integrations



Prismic: pulling json into the prototype



Drupal 7/8 integration: more decoupling!

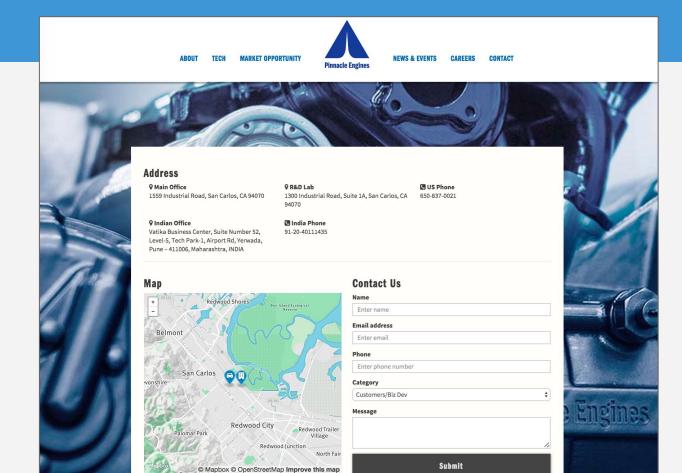
- hal+json
- RSS





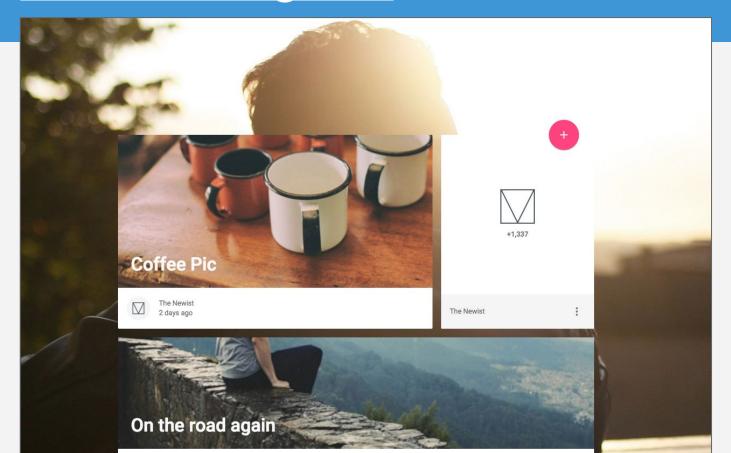


Pinnacle Engines: static site resources shared to Wordpress





material design lite

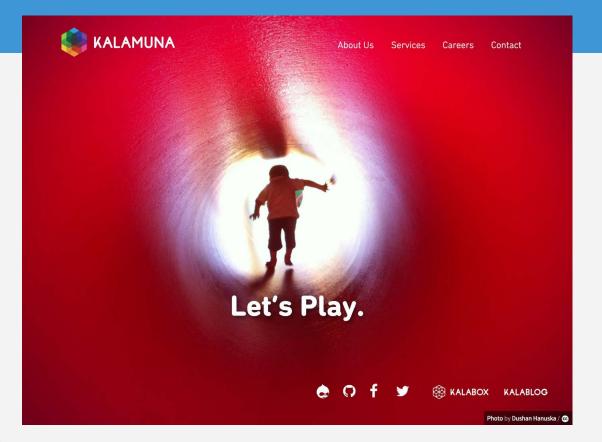




Examples in the wild



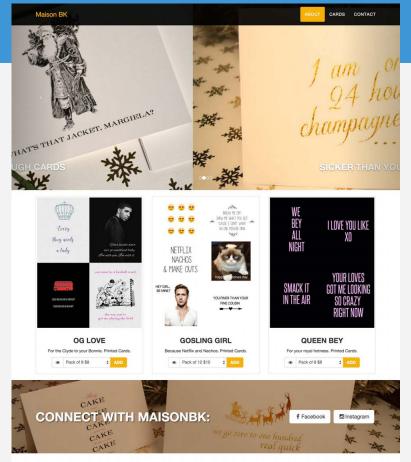
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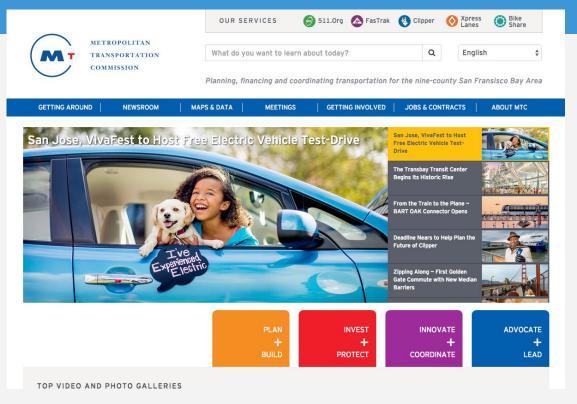
Maison BK: bootstrap prototype + e-commerce

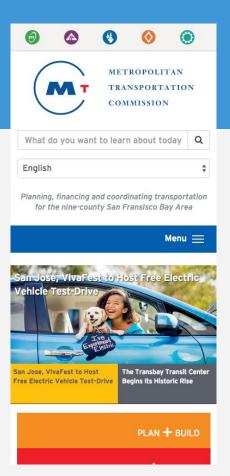




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THE FUTURE:

from blueprint to framework



Application Framework

github.com/kalamuna/kalastatic-cli

```
index.html.jade
styles.css.scss
scripts.js.jsmin.browserify
```

- Drush-like updating
 - Support multiple templating engines
- multiple frameworks, like Google Material Design:
 http://mdl-blog-kalastatic.at.kalamuna.com









Q & A



This section contains supplemental slides that speak more to the technologies that power kalastatic



Features



HOW is this different than patternlab?

- more advanced, modern (attractive) tools
 - no compass = node-sass
 - easy to ingest libraries
- no PHP dependencies
- Content strategy
- Flexible beyond styleguides
 - o can ingest json
 - metalsmith can do anything!
 - can be used to make a real website!



Features

- Easy, single command installation
- Managed dependencies
- Built in webserver
- Livereload: Saving files reloads the browser
- Remote device access: Load your local on a mobile device!
- You can make a real site with this thing
- JSON ingestion from remote sources if you want it! (drupal 8?)



Features

CONVENIENCE UTILITIES

- Cache busting
- Deep linking (URL fragments)
- Character limit filters
- IE backward-compatibility



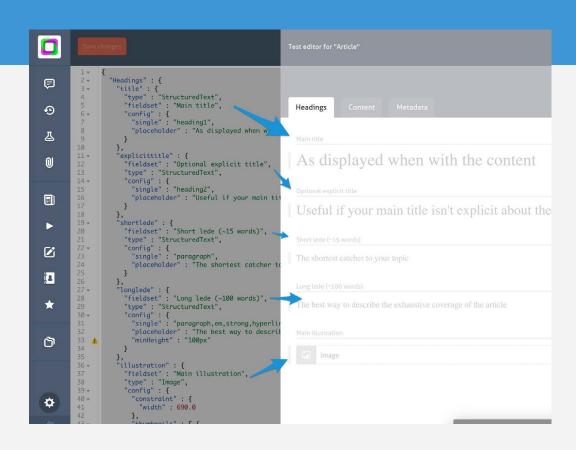
PRISMIC



Prismic – a head wearing masks

masks are like content types, but defined in json!

- edit article
- view content





"view" of stories of type **news** tagged **test**

/src/news.md

```
template: news.html
title: News
pageSlug: news
prismic:
   news:
    query: '[[:d = at(document.tags,["test"])]]'
---
This is news from [Prismic](https://kalastatic.prismic.io)!
```



article "teaser"

/templates/partials/news-teaser.html



article "node"

/templates/news-article.html

```
{% extends 'html.html' %}
{% block contents %}
  {% for article in prismic.news.results %}
    <main role="main">
     <article>
        {{article.data.title.html|safe}}
        <figure class="article-img">
          {{article.data.illustration.html|safe}}
       </figure>
       </div>
        {{article.data.content.html|safe}}
     </article>
    </main>
  {% endfor %}
{% endblock %}
```



TECHNOLOGIES







Dependency Management

We use npm for running tasks whenever it saves us from adding additional grunt dependencies.



Development Tools

Using Grunt allows us to run a local development environment with live reloading, as well as deployment.





Front-End Dependencies

Bower downloads all of our frontend libraries:

- Bootstrap
- jQuery
- Holder.js
- and anything else we might need…





Front-End Framework

- Most popular CSS/JS/HTML framework
- Responsive
- Large library of components
- 4.0 right around the corner!
 - SASS Native
 - Flexbox
 - Cards
 - etc





CSS Pre-Processor

We use node-sass which is a wrapper for LibSass.

LibSass is written in C/C++ and as a result is much faster than RubySass.

This speeds up our workflows and removes any Ruby dependencies from our stack.





JavaScript Pre-Processor

Compiling JavaScript for the browser is hard, so we use Browserify.

Browserify lets us require ('modules') in the browser, and bundles up all the dependencies.

This speeds up our workflows and even speeds up browser JavaScript performance.



METALSMITH

Templating

Extremely simple, pluggable, static site generator.

Takes source files, manipulates them via chainable plugins, and outputs results.



Metalsmith



Metalsmith

```
"plugins": {
  "metalsmith-collections-convention": {},
  "metalsmith-metadata": {
  "config": "config.yaml",
  "navigation": "navigation.yaml"
  "metalsmith-markdown": {},
  "metalsmith-include": {},
  "metalsmith-permalinks": {
  "pattern": ":url",
  "relative": false
  "metalsmith-swig-helpers": {
```



Metalsmith - collections

A key Metalsmith plugin is metalsmith-collections

Collections are bundles of content that can be iterated through, they can be passed off to partials for rendering and allow for design patterns such as indexes, slideshows, and can allow individual bits of content to be used in multiple contexts.

Not unlike of like custom queries, and views.



Metalsmith

```
pattern: collections/news/*.md
sortBy: order
---
All news articles.
```



Custom template filters

Swig has straightforward html-yness.

We chose it due to it's relative similarities to **twig**, aligning us towards a D8 future.

It also supports partials, and template inheritance out of the box.

We rolled up some custom swig filters to get a bit of extra functionality like **email obfuscation**, **excerpts**, and **slug matching**.

We're probably switching to Mozilla's Nunjucks!



templating example

```
<section class="page-content">
    <h1>{{title}}</h1>
    <div class="contents">
         {{contents|safe}}
    </div>
</section>
<section id="news" class="news teasers">
  {% for news in collections.news %}
    {% include "./partials/news-teaser.html" with news only %}
  {% endfor %}
</section>
```



KSS



KSS

- Knyle Style Sheets is a CSS documentation specification that enables automated generation of 'living' style guides.
- It is **not** a preprocessor, CSS framework, naming convention, or specificity guideline.
- It works with any flavour of CSS—CSS, SCSS, LESS.
- We use kss-node, by Drupal's own johnalbin.

KSS allows us to document our components style and markup, and easily identify/avoid front-end regressions.



KSS Styleguide

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n TV quiz game. How Styleguide-jumping fi
              umping frogs can level six piqued gymnasts! All
fiv Home checss xpe Components e t JavaScript </
                                                   Base styles
                                                                  Site Components
                                                                                       Fontawesome
```

Tables



For basic styling-light padding and only horizontal dividers-add the base class .table to any . It may seem super redundant, but given the widespread use of tables for other plugins like calendars and date pickers, we have opted to isolate our custom table styles.

#	First Name	Last Name	Username
1	Mark	Otto	@mdo
2	Jacob	Thornton	@fat
3	Larry	the Bird	@twitter

```
<thead>
 #
 First Name
```

Typography
Tables
Forms
Code
Buttons
Images

Helpers

github.com/kalamuna/kss-boostrap KALAMUNA



KSS

```
CTA
Call to action
Markup:
<section class="cta {$modifiers}">
 <h2>CTA Title Here</h2>
 <button type="button" class="btn btn-default"><a href="#">Here's a button</a></button>
</section>
Styleguide 5.1
.cta-wrapper {
 @extend .clearfix;
 clear: both;
 background: #dedede;
  .cta {
   text-align: center;
```



KSS

