

CSS Layout

Control the arrangement of the HTML elements

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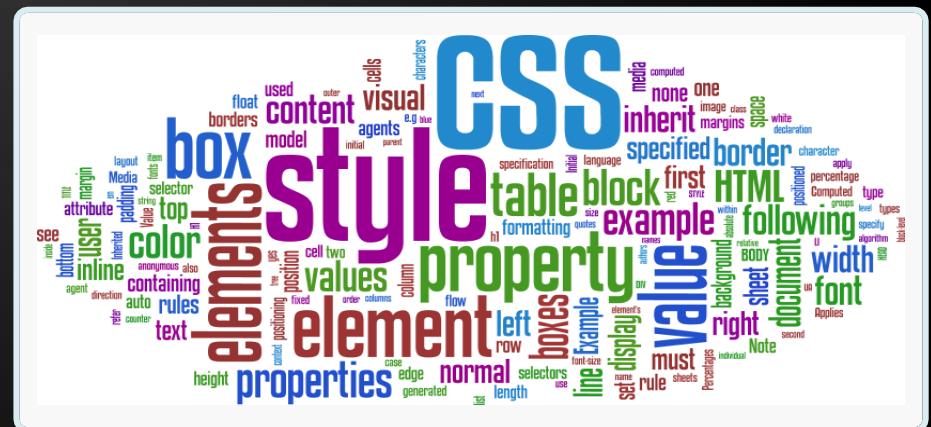
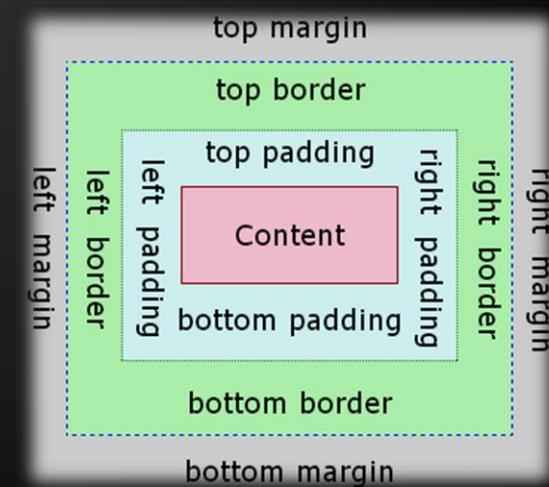
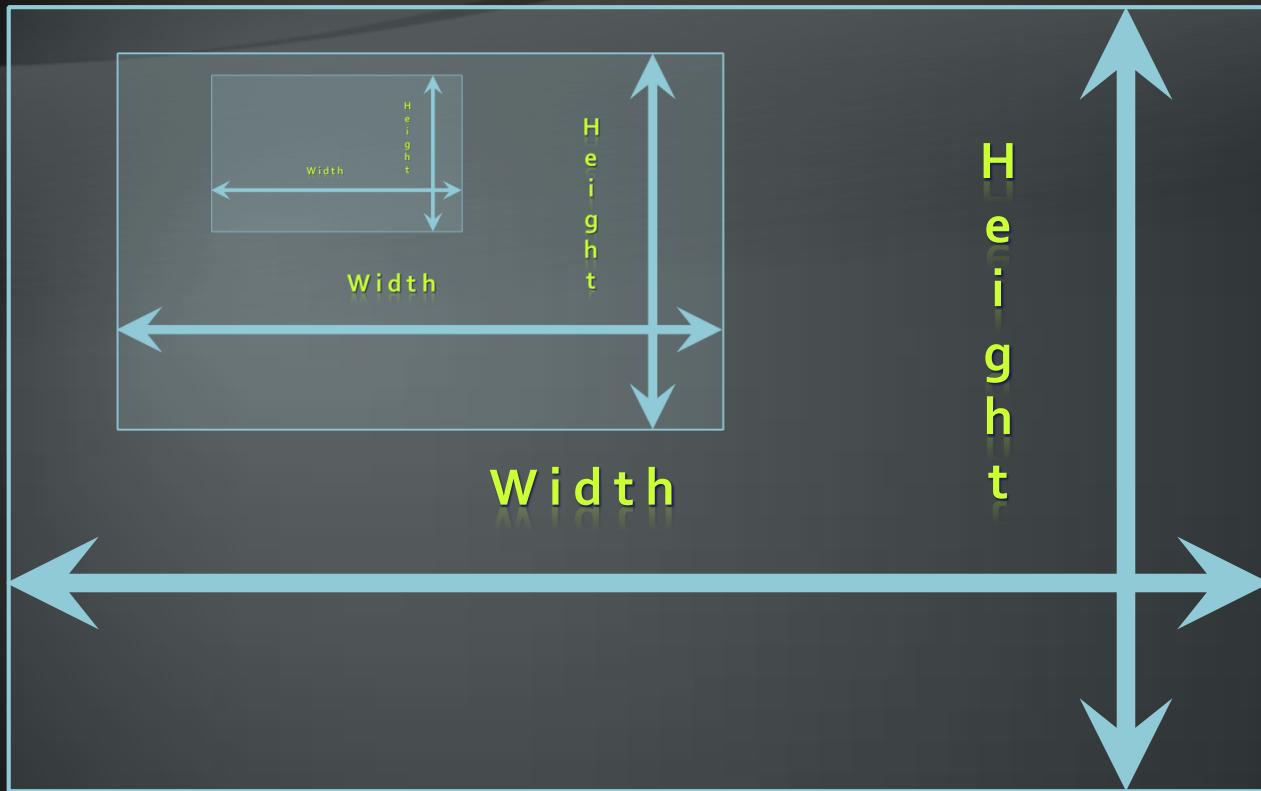


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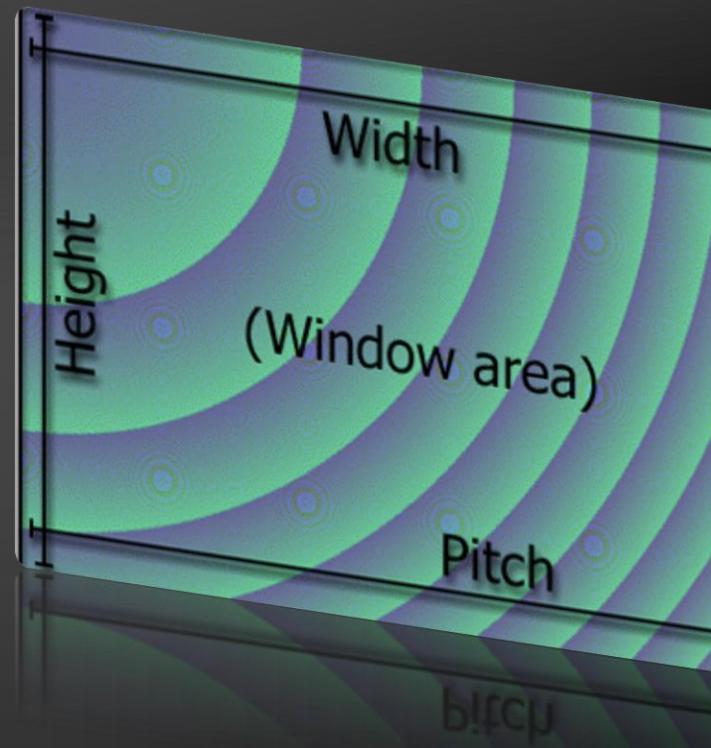


Width

Height

Height

- ◆ **width** – defines numerical value for the width of element, e.g. 200px
- ◆ **width** applies only for block elements
 - Their width is 100% by default
 - The width of inline elements is always the width of their content, by concept
- ◆ **min-width** - defines the minimal width
 - min-width overrides width if (width < min-width)
- ◆ **max-width** - defines the maximal width
 - max-width overrides width if (width > max-width)



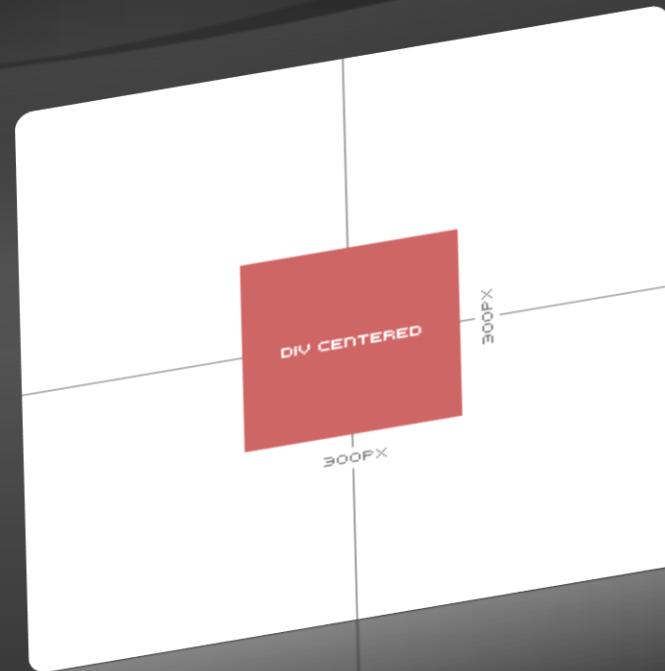
Width

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- ◆ **height** applies only on block elements
 - ◆ The height of inline elements is always the height of their content
- ◆ **min-height** - defines the minimal height
 - ◆ **min-height** overrides **height**
- ◆ **max-height** - defines the maximal height
 - ◆ **max-height** overrides **height**

Width and Height Values

- ◆ The values of the width and height properties are numerical:
 - ◆ Pixels (px)
 - ◆ Centimeters (cm)
 - ◆ Or percentages
 - ◆ A percent of the available width



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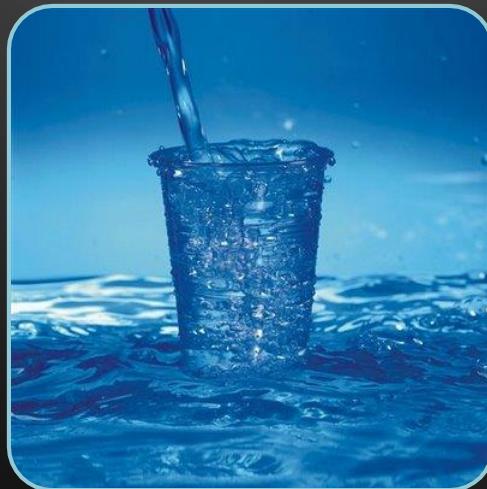
Overflow



- ◆ **overflow** defines the behavior of element when content needs more space than the available
- ◆ **overflow values:**
 - ◆ **visible** (default) – content spills out of the element
 - ◆ **auto** – show scrollbars if needed
 - ◆ **scroll** – always show scrollbars
 - ◆ **hidden** – any content that cannot fit is clipped

Overflow

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Display



- ◆ **display** controls the display of the element and the way it is rendered and if breaks should be placed before and after the element
- ◆ **display values:**
 - ◆ **inline:** no breaks are placed before or after (**** is an inline element)
 - ◆ height and width depend on the content
 - ◆ **block:** breaks are placed before AND after the element (**<div>** is a block element)
 - ◆ height and width may not depend on the size of the content

◆ **display values:**

- **none:** element is hidden and its dimensions are not used to calculate the surrounding elements rendering
 - differs from **visibility: hidden!**
- **inline-block:** no breaks are placed before and after (like inline)
 - height and width can be applied (like block)
- **table, table-row, table-cell:** the elements are arranged in a table-like layout



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Visibility



◆ visibility

- Determines whether the element is visible
- hidden: element is not rendered, but still occupies place on the page
 - similar to opacity: 0
- visible: element is rendered normally
- collapse: collapse removes a row or column, but it does not affect the table layout
 - only for table elements
 - The space taken up by the row or column will be available for other content

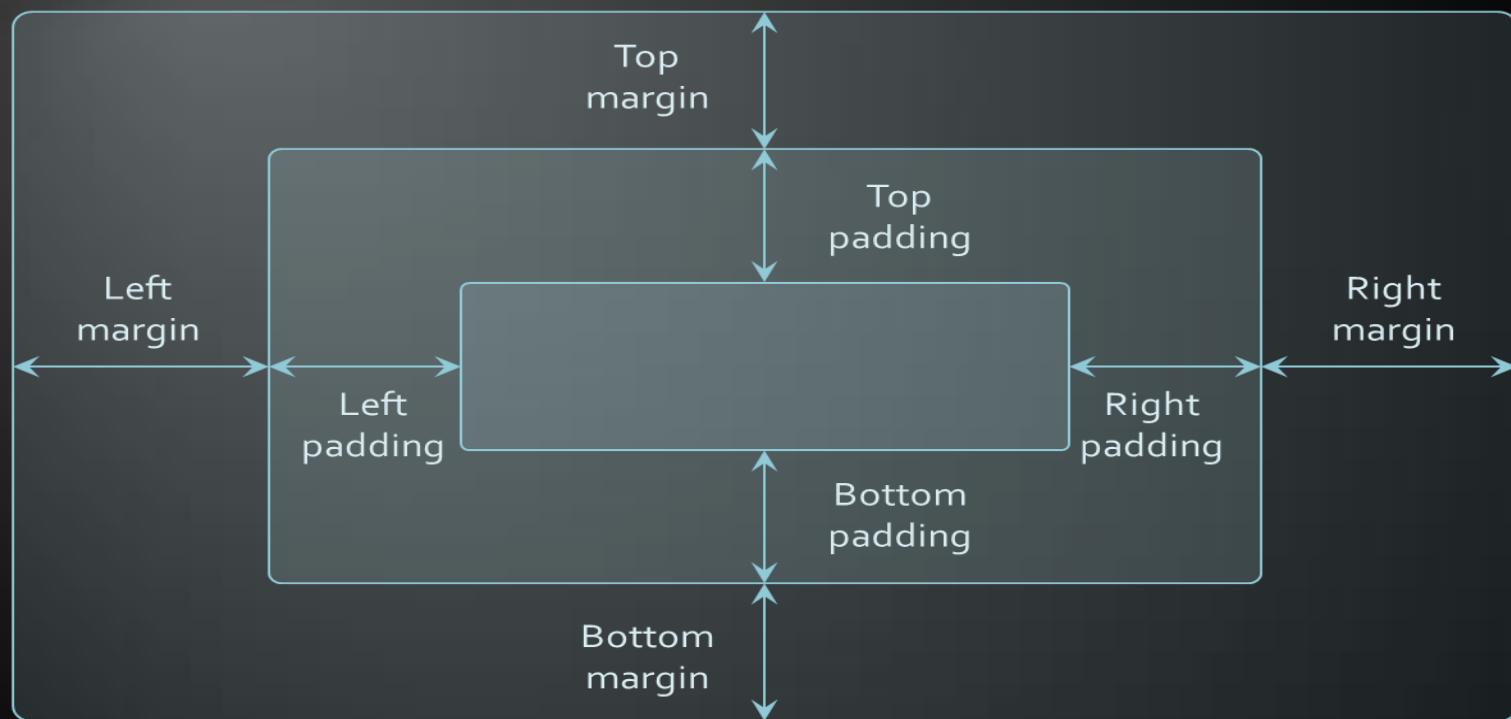
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Vis-a-**Visibility**



Margins and Paddings



Margin and Padding

- ◆ margin and padding define the spacing around the element
 - Numerical value, e.g. 10px or -5px
 - Can be defined for each of the four sides separately – margin-top, padding-left, ...
 - margin is the spacing outside of the border
 - padding is the spacing between the border and the content
- ◆ Collapsing margins
 - When the vertical margins of two elements are touching, only the margin of the element with the largest margin value will be honored

Margin and Padding: Short Rules

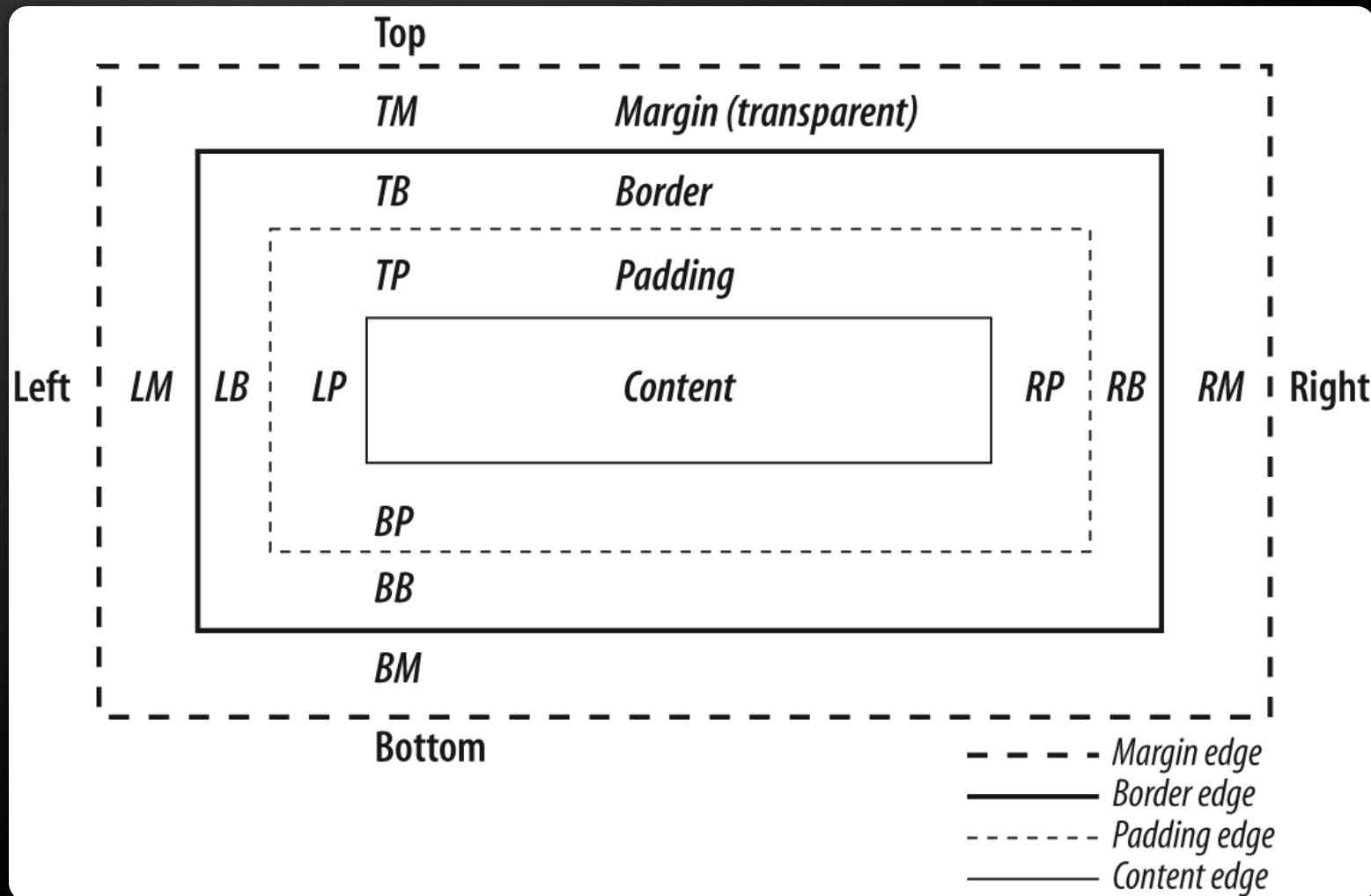
- ◆ **margin: 5px;**
 - ◆ Sets all four sides to have margin of 5 px;
- ◆ **margin: 10px 20px;**
 - ◆ top and bottom to 10px, left and right to 20px;
- ◆ **margin: 5px 3px 8px;**
 - ◆ top 5px, left/right 3px, bottom 8px
- ◆ **margin: 1px 3px 5px 7px;**
 - ◆ top, right, bottom, left (clockwise from top)
- ◆ Same for padding



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Box Model



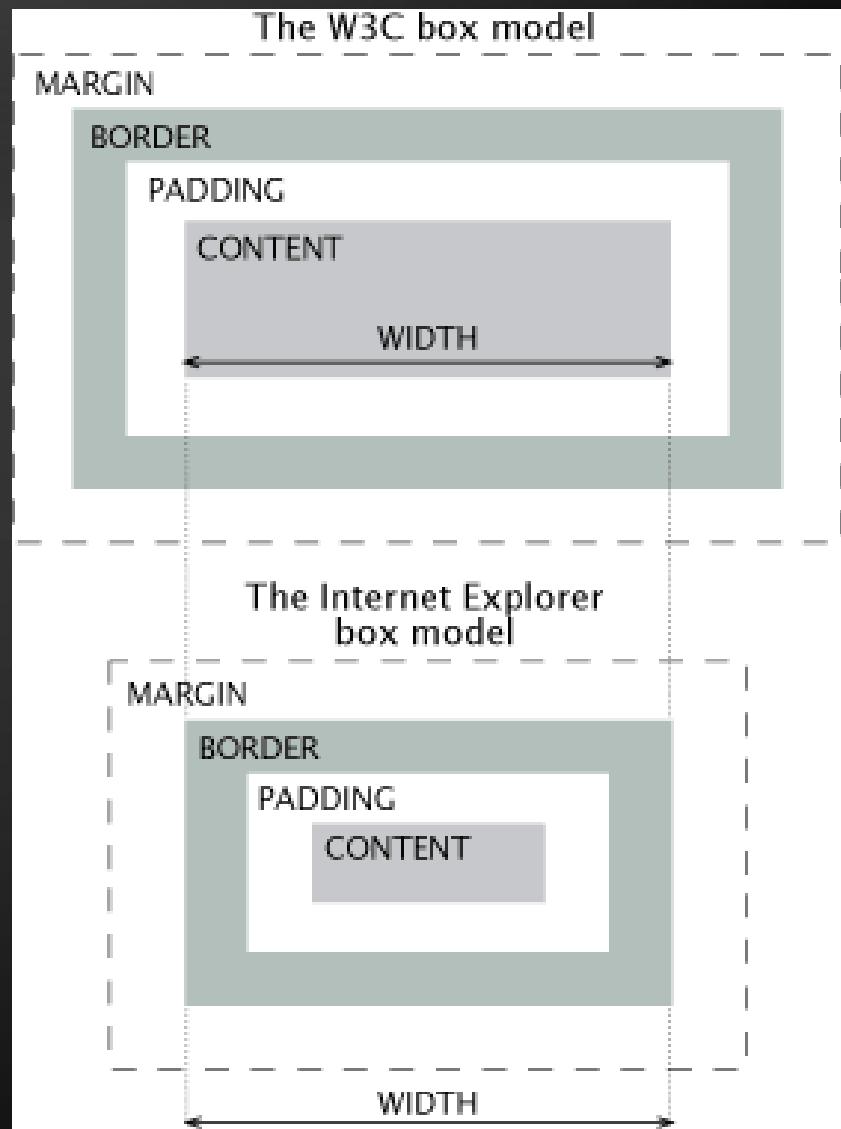
- ◆ Determine whether you want an element to render its borders and padding within its specified width, or outside of it.
- ◆ Possible values:
 - ◆ **box-sizing: content-box** (default)
box width: 288px + 10px padding + 1px border
on each side = 300px
 - ◆ **box-sizing: border-box**
box width: 300px, including padding and
borders

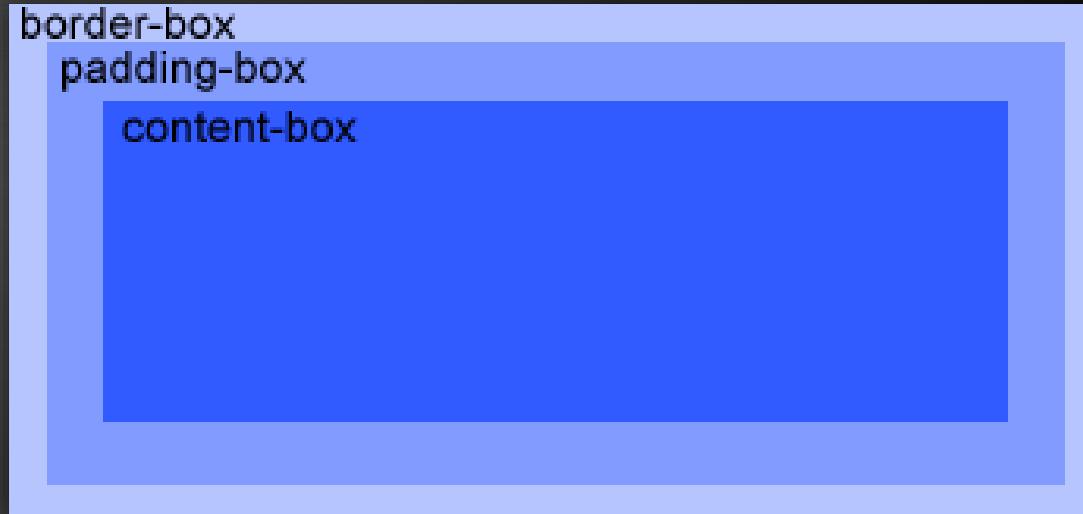
CSS3 box-sizing (Example)

- ◆ Example: Box with total width of 300px (including paddings and borders)

```
width: 300px;  
border: 1px solid black;  
padding: 5px;  
  
/* Firefox */  
-moz-box-sizing: border-box;  
/* WebKit */  
-webkit-box-sizing: border-box;  
/* Opera 9.5+, Google Chrome */  
box-sizing: border-box;
```

- ◆ When using quirks mode (pages with no DOCTYPE or with a HTML 4 Transitional DOCTYPE)
- ◆ Internet Explorer violates the box model standard!





border-box
padding-box
content-box

The diagram illustrates the Box Model with three nested rectangular boxes. The innermost box is solid blue and labeled "content-box". It is surrounded by a white border labeled "padding-box". This entire assembly is set against a light blue background labeled "border-box". All three layers are rendered with soft shadows.

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Positioning



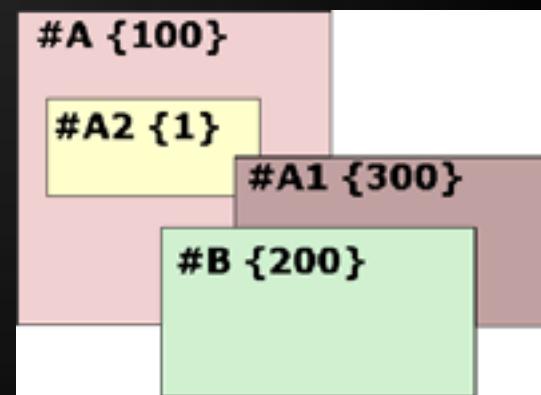
- ◆ **position:** defines the positioning of the element in the page content flow
- ◆ The value is one of:
 - ◆ **static** (default)
 - ◆ **relative** – relative position according to where the element would appear with static position
 - ◆ **absolute** – relative to the first parent element that has a position other than static
 - ◆ **fixed** – relative to the browser window, but ignores page scrolling

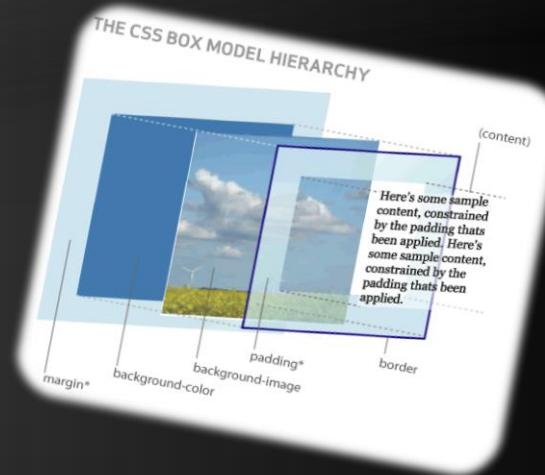
- ◆ Margin VS relative positioning
- ◆ Fixed and absolutely positioned elements do not influence the page normal flow and usually stay on top of other elements
 - Their position and size are ignored when calculating the size of parent element or position of surrounding elements
 - Overlaid according to their z-index
 - Inline fixed or absolutely positioned elements can apply height like block-level elements

- ◆ **top, left, bottom, right**: specifies offset of absolute/fixed/relative positioned element as numerical values
- ◆ **z-index** : specifies the stack level of positioned elements
 - ◆ Understanding stacking context

Each positioned element creates a stacking context.

Elements in different stacking contexts are overlapped according to the stacking order of their containers. For example, there is no way for #A₁ and #A₂ (children of #A) to be placed over #B without increasing the z-index of #A.



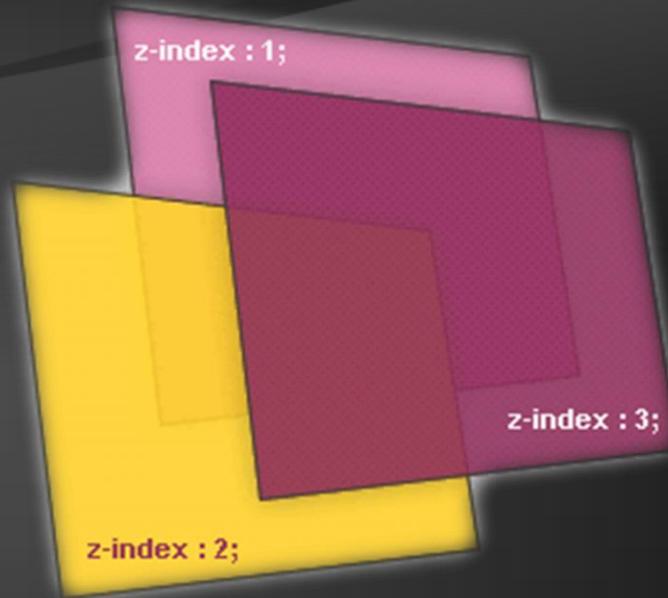


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Inline element positioning

- ◆ **vertical-align:** sets the vertical-alignment of an inline element, according to the line height
 - ◆ Values: **baseline, sub, super, top, text-top, middle, bottom, text-bottom** or numeric
- ◆ Also used for content of table cells (which apply middle alignment by default)



Alignment and Z-Index

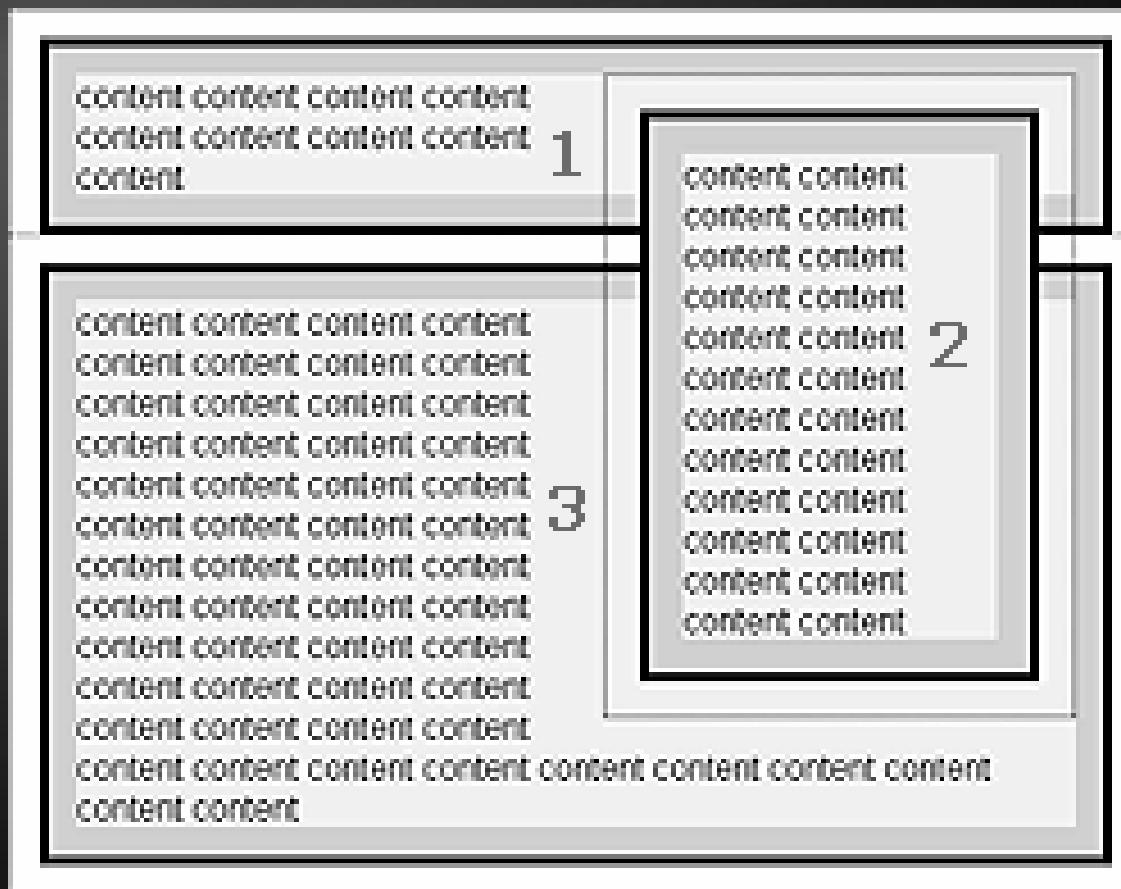
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Floating

- ◆ **float:** the element “floats” to one side
 - ◆ **left:** places the element on the left and following content on the right
 - ◆ **right:** places the element on the right and following content on the left
 - ◆ floated elements should come before the content that will wrap around them in the code
 - ◆ margins of floated elements do not collapse
 - ◆ floated inline elements can apply height

◆ How floated elements are positioned



- ◆ **clear**

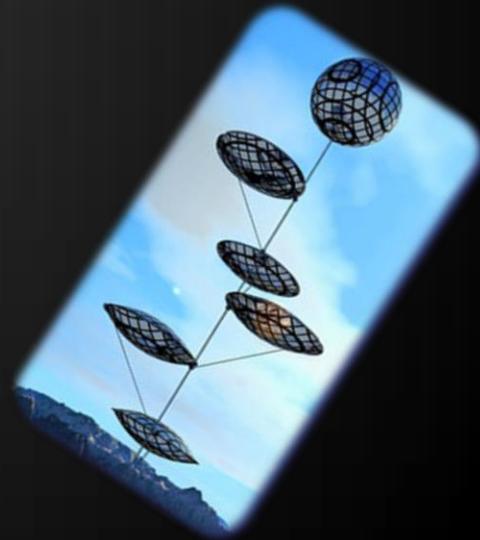
- ◆ Sets the sides of the element where other floating elements are NOT allowed
- ◆ Used to "drop" elements below floated ones or expand a container, which contains only floated children
- ◆ Values: **left, right, both**

- ◆ Clearing floats

- ◆ Clear using pseudo-class :after
- ◆ Additional element (**<div>**) with a clear style
 - ◆ Deprecated - semantically unused div
- ◆ <https://css-tricks.com/all-about-floats/>
- ◆ IE: positioniseverything.net/easyclearing.html

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