

# TRANSITIONS, TRANSFORMS, & ANIMATIONS with CSS3

COMP 126: Practical Web Design &  
Development for Everyone

# transitions

allow property changes in CSS values to occur smoothly over a specified duration

# animations



you can combine transitions and transforms to animate elements

# transforms

allow elements styled with CSS to be moved or changed in two-dimensional or three-dimensional space

transitions



# simple nav transition

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id=0&default-tab=css,result](https://codepen.io/tkjin/embed/RdOmMq/?height=265&theme-id=0&default-tab=css,result)

# anatomy of a transition

- **transition-property:** the property you want to transition.  
Note: not every property can be transitioned.
- **transition-duration:** in seconds or milliseconds: 4s or 4000ms (250-300ms is considered the "sweet spot").
- **transition-timing-function:** "cushioning" for the transition, defaults to ease; optional.
- **transition-delay:** the number of milli/seconds to delay the transition before firing it; optional.

Shorthand syntax:

```
transition: [property] [duration] [timing-  
function][delay];
```

# simple hover transition

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# transitioning multiple

```
transition-property: color, transform;  
transition-duration: 2s, 300ms;  
transition-delay: 0, 1s;
```

**or, in shorthand:**

transition:  
color 2s,  
transform 300ms 1s;

The diagram illustrates the shorthand syntax for multiple transitions. Red arrows point from descriptive labels to specific parts of the shorthand code: 'transition-properties' points to 'color' and 'transform'; 'transition-durations' points to '2s' and '300ms'; and 'transition-delay' points to '1s'.

transition-properties

transition-durations

transition-delay

transforms





# transforms

...allow you to change the *shape and positioning of an element* without interfering with the document flow (the other elements on the page); can be coupled with transitions for an animation-style effect

translate (move)

rotate/scale (size)

skew

(distortion/squish)

## 2D transforms

- horizontal (x-axis)
- vertical (y-axis)

## 3D transforms

- horizontal (x-axis)
- vertical (y-axis)
- depth (z-axis)

# simple transform

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# more transitions & transforms

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# transform-origin

changes the position of the origin of transformation from its default origin (i.e., its own center and/or the boundaries of the parent element); values, examples, and more demos [here](#)

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# transform-origin

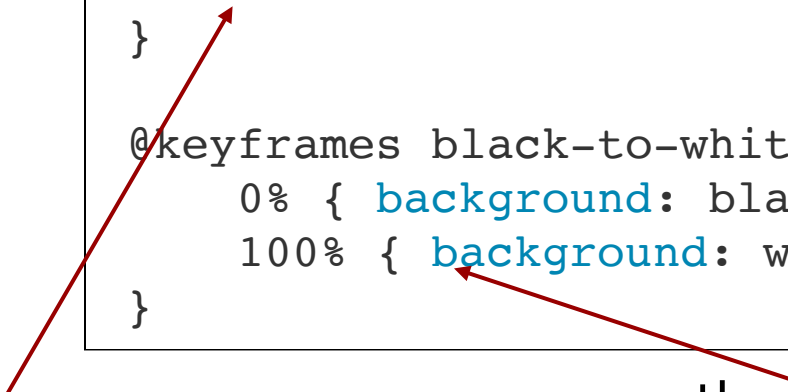
Just a cool little CSSTricks demo to show you how different transform-origin values affect transformations

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animations →

# animation property + @keyframes block

```
.animated-div {  
  animation: black-to-white 1s linear 1;  
}  
  
@keyframes black-to-white {  
  0% { background: black; }  
  100% { background: white; }  
}
```

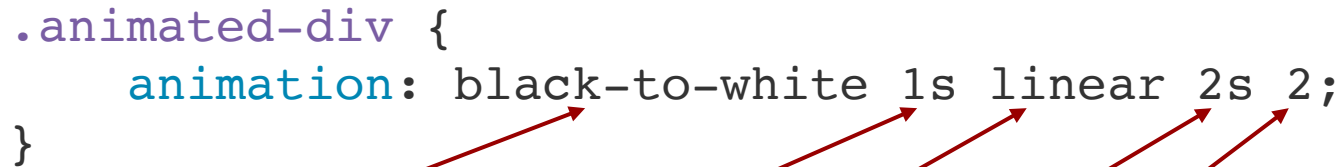


the animation property binds  
a named animation to an  
element and specifies its  
duration

the @keyframes block names the  
animation and specifies what its  
properties are animating "from" (at  
0%) and "to" (at 100%)

# animation property/values

```
.animated-div {  
  animation: black-to-white 1s linear 2s 2;  
}
```

A diagram consisting of five red arrows pointing from the values in the CSS code block to their corresponding definitions in the list below. The arrows originate from 'black-to-white', '1s', 'linear', '2s', and '2' respectively.

- **animation-name:** The name of the keyframe block you want to use. Can be anything.
- **animation-duration:** How long the animation takes to proceed from 0% complete to 100% complete.
- **animation-timing-function:** Just like transition-timing-function; defaults to ease.
- **animation-delay:** The number of seconds to delay the start of the animation from its trigger; **optional**.
- **animation-iteration-count:** The number of times you want the animation to proceed from 0% to 100%; "infinite" if you don't want to it stop. Defaults to 1; **optional**.



# the @keyframes block

...allows you to define a group of properties and values to animate, rather than simply changing one or two values (as in transitions)

start (0%): white text on black

the name I chose for this animation  
(black-to-white)

```
@keyframes black-to-white {  
  0% /* or from */ {  
    background: black;  
    color: white;  
  }  
  100% /* or to */ {  
    background: white;  
    color: black;  
  }  
}
```

you can control the  
animation in stages with  
multiple percentages

```
@keyframes black-to-white  
  0% { color: black; }  
  50% { color: grey; }  
  100% { color: white; }  
}
```

end (100%):

black text on white

# timing functions

linear, ease, ease-in, ease-out, ease-in-out (just like with transitions)

- **linear:** The animation has the same speed from start to end.
- **ease:** Default value. The animation has a slow start, then fast, before it ends slowly.
- **ease-in:** The animation has a slow start.
- **ease-out:** The animation has a slow end.
- **ease-in-out:** The animation has both a slow start and a slow end.

# multi-step animation

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# gradient with transition

<https://codepen.io/tkjin/embed/yLobbay?default-tab=html%2Cresult>

# buttons: transition, transform, animation

<https://codepen.io/tkjin/embed/eYEeNeX?default-tab=html%2Cresult>

# CSS animation in the wild

<https://www.sliderrevolution.com/resources/css-animation-examples/>

<https://animate.style/>