Responsive design (continuation)

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Lecture content

- CSS modul Flexbox
- Links styling
- Responsive images

Layout modes

- Block
- Inline
- Table
- Position
- Flex

FlexBox

- Modul for flexible layout creation
 - Not one property but a set of styling properties
 - Containing element "flexible container" + contained elements
- The basic idea is an automic distribution of the free space based on modifications of contained element sizes
- Solution to many styling problems previously solved by JS (e.g. problem of equally sized columns)
- W3C Candidate recommendation (as of 19 November, 2018)
- Many possible ways of deployment in responsive design
- Simple way to set the optimal display

FlexBox

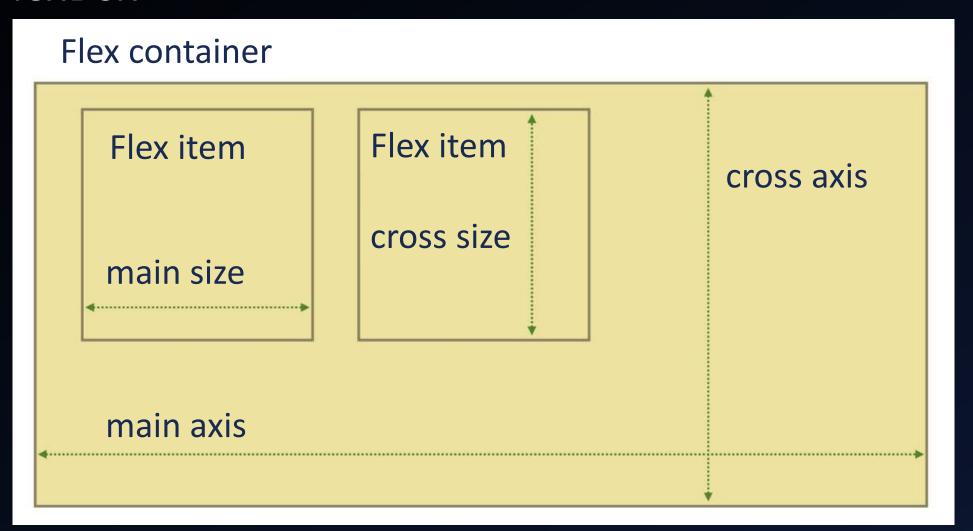


Image taken from https://www.vzhurudolu.cz/

Basic terms

- Flex container
 - Parent element (a container, which contains the items to be displayed)
- Flex item
 - Child of the flex container (direct descendant)
- Main axis
 - Gives the direction of the main flow of items rendering inside of the flex container
 - Its default orientation is horizontal (can be changed)
- Cross axis
 - Perpendicular to the main axis
- Main and cross size
 - For flex items, analogosous to axes

Key properties of the container (CSS attributes)

- Display: flex for displaying as flexbox
- Flex-direction direction of rendering (main axis)
- Flex-wrap break, tj. possibility to move flex items to the next row (if not told differently, the flex container will attempt to display all flex elements at one row)
- Justify-content .. Justifying flex items inside the flex container
- Align-items aligning flex items along the cross axis
- Align-content aligning rows of flex container along the cross axis (space between rows)

Example: centering element vertically

```
<body>
                                      body {
                                        display: flex;
<main>
                                        min-height: 100vh;
  <h1>Wanna be centered!</h1>
                                        margin: 0;
</main>
</body>
                                      main {
                                        margin: auto;
```

Example (blackboard with messages from the exercise 5.1)

```
<article>
  <section>
     Lorem ipsum dolor ...
  </section>
  <section>
     Lorem ipsum dolor ...
  </section>
  <section>
     Lorem ipsum dolor ...
  </section>
  •••
</article>
```

```
article {
  display: flex;
  flex-wrap: wrap;
  justify-content: space-around;
  margin: .5em;
section {
  width: 10em; height:7.5em;
  overflow: hidden;
  margin: .5em;
  padding: 0.5em;
```

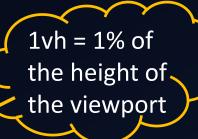
Key properties of flex item (CSS attributes)

- Order
 - Order of items inside the container
- Flex-grow
 - An option to make the item wider, if space is available
- Flex-shrink
 - An option to make the item narrower, if necessary
- Flex-basis
 - Basic size of the item before the redistribution of the free space
- Align-self
 - Individual alignment of the item

Example: forced placement of the footer on a short page

```
<header>
 <h1>Site name</h1>
</header>
<main>
 Bacon Ipsum dolor sit ...
</main>
<footer>
 © 2015 No rights reserved.
</footer>
```

```
body {
  display: flex;
  flex-flow: column;
  min-height: 100vh;
main {
  flex-grow: 1;
```



```
Site name

Bacon Ipsum dolor sit ...

© 2015 No rights reserved.
```

FlexBox

- Examples, references
 - Lea Verou: CSS Secrets: Better Solutions to Everyday Web Design Problems (it can be found at Internet as pdf file, too)
 - http://www.w3schools.com/css/css3 flexbox.asp
 - https://css-tricks.com/snippets/css/a-guide-to-flexbox/
 - https://www.w3.org/TR/css-flexbox-1/ (W3 specification)
 - https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/CSS/CSS Flexible Box Layout/Using CSS flexible boxes (MDN)
- For maximum compatibility it is very convenient to prefix the properties (e.g. display: -webkit-box)

Link styling

- Any attribute can be used (e.g. color, background color, font, decoration, margins, display mode)
- By using <u>pseudoclass selector</u>, styling can take into account the state of the link:

a:link normal state, not visited link

a:visited link

a:hover link with mouse over it

a:active link in the moment of being clicked

- The LVHA order of styling rules in the stylesheet is important for proper styling:
 - :link {} :visited {} :hover {} :active {}

Example

```
a:link, a:visited {
  background-color: white;
  color: black;
  border: 2px solid green;
  padding: 10px 20px;
  text-align: center;
  text-decoration: none;
a:hover, a:active {background-color: red;}
```

Responsive image (HTML5 element picture)

- Automatic change of sizes insufficient -> composed element picture
- Conditional usage of image variants in specified in source elements
- In the media attribute, usage condition is formulated (in the same way as in @media)
- One "backfall"img element for not supporting browsers (which?)
- Example:

```
<picture>
  <source srcset="flowers-small.jpg" media="(max-width: 400px)">
  <source srcset="flowers.jpg">
  <img src="flowers.jpg" alt="Flowers">
  </picture>
```



