

CSS Functions

1. CSS Functions:

- a. CSS functions are used to set the various CSS property.
- b. Functions means some predefined set of instructions to perform some specific task.

2. Types of CSS Functions:

- a. calc()
- b. attr()
- c. gradients → linear, radial, conic, repeating.
- d. colors → rgb(), rgba(), hsl(), hsla()
- e. max()
- f. min()
- g. var()
- h. url()
- i. drop-shadow()
- j. blur()

3. calc():

- a. The **calc()** function performs a calculation to be used as the property value.
- b. **Syntax:**

```
calc(expression)
```

4. attr():

- a. The **attr()** function returns the value of the selected elements.

5. linear-gradient():

- The *linear-gradient()* function sets a linear gradient as the background image.

6. radial-gradient():

- The *radial-gradient()* function sets a radial gradient as the background image.

7. conic-gradient():

- The *conic-gradient()* function sets a conic gradient as the background image.

8. rgb():

- It is used to define the colors using the Red Green Blue RGB model.
- Syntax:**

```
color : rgb (red, green, blue);
```

9. rgba():

- It is used to define the colors using the Red-Green-Blue-Alpha RGBA model.
- Syntax:**

```
color : rgba (red, green, blue, alpha);
```

10. hsl():

- Define the colors using the Hue-saturation-lightness model HSL.

b. **Syntax:**

```
color : hsl (hue, saturation, lightness);
```

11. **hsla():**

- Define the colors using the Hue Saturation Lightness Alpha HSLA model.
- Syntax:**

```
color : hsla (hue, saturation, lightness, alpha);
```

12. **min():**

- min()** function in CSS is used to extract the minimum value from a set of comma-separated values.
- It can take two parameters and a min function can be used inside another min function if the comparison is to be made between multiple values.

c. **Syntax:**

```
min(value1, value2);  
min(value1, min(value2, min(value3, value4)));
```

- Returns:** This function returns the smallest value from a set of comma separated values.

13. **max():**

- The **max()** function in CSS is used to set the maximum of the numbers given.
- It is used to return the largest value from a set of comma-separated values.

c. It can accept length, frequency, integer, angle, and time types of values.

d. **Syntax:**

```
max(value1, value2...);
```

e. **Return Value:** This function returns the largest value from a set of comma separated values.

14. **var():**

a. The **var()** function is used to insert the value of a CSS variable.

b. **Syntax:**

```
var( custom_property, value )
```

c. **custom_property** : It is the required parameter. The name of the custom property must start with two dashes(-).

d. **value** : It is an optional parameter. It is used if the custom property is invalid.

15. **url():**

a. The **url()** function is used to include a file.

b. **Syntax:**

```
url(path);
```

16. **drop-shadow()**:

- a. The CSS **drop-shadow()** function adds a shadow effect to elements, like images, using horizontal and vertical offsets, blur radius, spread radius, and color parameters.
- b. It enhances visual depth and prominence in web design.
- c. **Syntax:**

```
filter: drop-shadow(offset-x offset-y blur-radius spread-radius color);
```

- d. **Parameters** ⇒

- i. **offset-x** → Sets the horizontal offset of the shadow. Positive values move to the right; negative values move to the left.
- ii. **offset-y** → Sets the vertical offset of the shadow. Positive values move it down; negative move it up.
- iii. **blur-radius** → (Optional parameter). Sets the blur radius of the shadow, creating a softer edge.
- iv. **Spread-radius** →(Optional parameter). Sets the spread radius of the shadow, expanding or contracting its size.
- v. **color** → Optional parameter. Sets the color of the shadow. Default is **black**.

17. **blur()**:

- a. The CSS **blur()** function applies a Gaussian blur effect to an element, making it appear out of focus.
- b. It is used with the filter property and accepts a length value defining the blur radius.

c. CSS `blur()` function is part of the CSS `filter` property, which allows you to apply graphical effects like blurring, sharpening, or color shifting to elements.

d. **Syntax:**

```
filter: blur(radius);
```

e. "`radius`" specifies the blur radius. The higher the value, the more blurred the element becomes.

f. It can be specified in various units like `pixels (px)` or `percentage (%)`.