DHTML and Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)



Introduction to DHTML

- What is DHTML?
 - Acronym for the term "Dynamic HTML".
 - Combination of HTML, Cascading Style Sheet and some scripting language.
 - –Makes the pages more dynamic.
- Features of DHTML
 - Provides more control over the appearance, layout and behavior of the web page.
 - New event model.
- Provides a wide set of event handlers

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Cascading Style sheets

Features

- Separates the Presentation and Contents of the HTML Document.
- Provide numerous attributes to create dynamic effects.
- Simple.
- Reusable.

Style Sheet

- □ A set of statements that specify presentation of a document.
- A powerful mechanism for adding styles.
- Styles can be assigned by the <STYLE> </STYLE> tag.



Advantages

- Good control over the presentation.
- Consistency: A Standard flow, look & feel can be maintained for all pages of a Web Site
- Ability to make global changes to all the documents from a single location.
- Reduces the time spent on maintaining HTML Document

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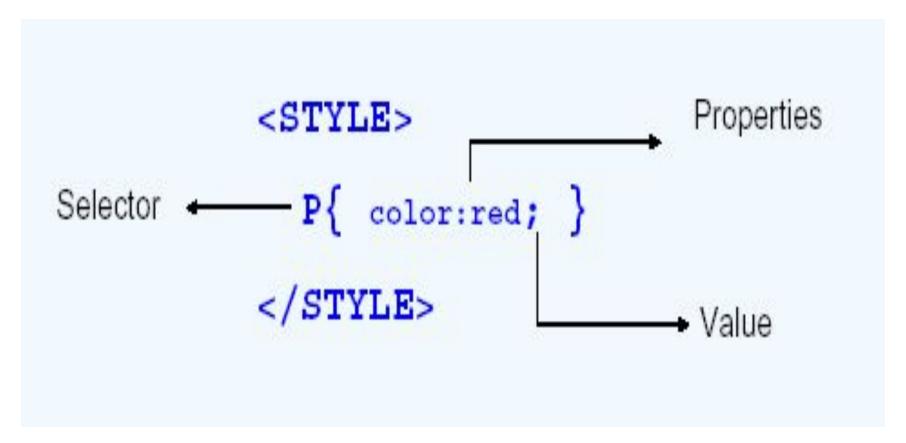
How do Style Sheets Work?

- Separate Section is defined to place the Style Properties of the Document
 - Style Rule is composed of two parts
 - Selectors: To which the rule is applied
 - Declarations
 - Property
 - Value

TH{color: red; }.

- Defined sections in the document are attached with their respective properties
- <STYLE > tag is used to define styles.

EXAMPLE



CSS declaration always ends with a semicolon, and declaration groups are surrounded by curly brackets.



Selector Types

- Class Selector
- Id Selector

In addition to setting style for a HTML element, CSS allows you to specify your own selectors called "id" and "class"



Class selector

- The class selector is used to specify a style for a group of element.
 The class selector is most often used on several elements.
- This allow you to set a particular style for any HTML element with the same class.
- This class selector uses the HTML class attribute and is defined with a "."
- In the example below, all HTML elements with class = "center" will be center-aligned.

```
Example
.center
{
text-align:center;
}
```

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Class selector

- Different styles for same HTML tag.
- P.right {text-align: right}
- P.center {text-align: center}
- Class attribute in your HTML document:
- <P CLASS="right">This paragraph will be right-aligned.
- If you omit the tag name in the selector this style can be applied to all the tags
- .center {text-align: center}

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The id Selector

- The id selector is used to specify a style for a single, unique element.
- The id selector is defined as a #.
- The style rule below will match the element that has an id attribute with a value of "green":
- #green {color: green}
- The style rule below will match the p element that has an id with a value of "para1":
- p#para1 { text-align: center; color: red }
- Do NOT start an ID name with a number! It will not work in Mozilla/Firefox.



Style types

- Inline Styles
- Internal Stylesheets
- External Stylesheets



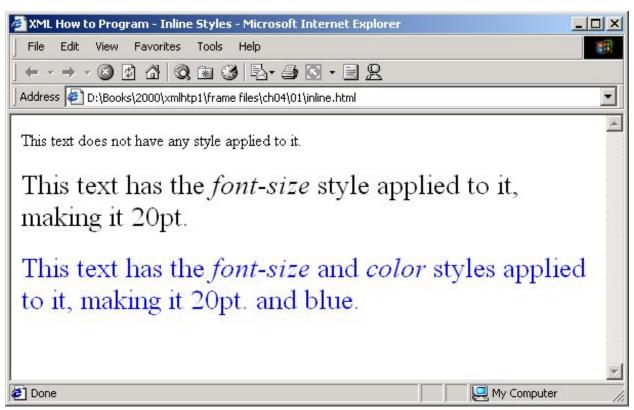
Inline styles

- <P style="color=blue; margin-right: 10px">
- Styled paragraph
- </P>
- Can be applied to a single occurrence of an element
- Losses a lot of advantages of style sheets
- Mixes content with presentation

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
    2
                  "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
    3
         <html>
    4
    5
         <!-- Fig. 4.1: inline.html -->
         <!-- Using inline styles
    6
    7
         <head>
    8
           <title>XML How to Program - Inline Styles</title>
    9
         </head>
    10
    11
                                         Define style for following text
    12
         <body>
    13
           This text does not have any style applied to it.
    14
    15
    16
           <!-- The style attribute allows you to declare inline
           <!-- styles./Separate multiple styles with a semicolon. -->
    17
            This text has the
    18
<em>font-size
            style applied to it, making it 20pt.
    19
    20
            This text has
    21
the
    22
            <em>font-size</em> and <em>color</em> styles applied to it,
    23
           making it 20pt. and blue.
    24
         </body>
    25
    26
         </html>
```



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Internal styles sheet

- Internal styles sheet also known as embedded style
- Can be used by single document.
- Enclosed within the HEAD tag.

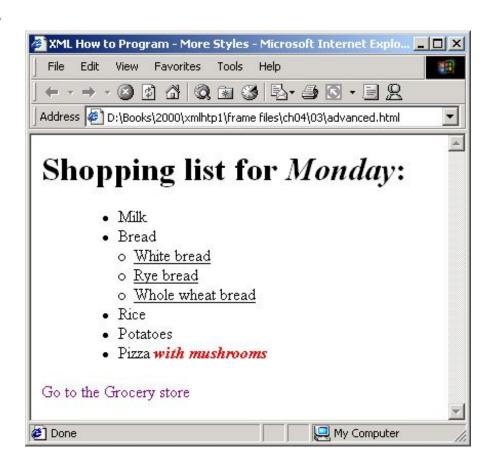
```
<HEAD>
  <!--<STYLE TYPE="text/css">
    HR{color:blue}
    P{margin-right:10px}
  </STYLE> -->
</HEAD>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
1
2
                "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
3
     <html>
4
     <!-- Fig 4.3: advanced.html
5
6
     <!-- More advanced style sheets -->
                                                        Assign attribute nodec to all a
7
                                                          elements (override default
     <head>
8
                                                       underline attribute of element a)
        <title>XML How to Program - More Styles</ti>
9
10
        <style type = "text/css">
11
12
13
                    { text-decoration: none }
           a.nodec
                                                      Define style for any em
14
                                                    element contained in li tag
15
                     { text-decoration: underline
           a:hover
                       color: red;
16
17
                       background-color: #ccffcc }
18
19
           li em
                     { color: red;
20
                       font-weight: bold }
21
22
           ul
                     { margin-left: 75px }
23
24
           ul ul
                     { text-decoration: underline;
25
                       margin-left: 15px }
26
27
        </style>
     </head>
28
```

```
30
        <body>
    31
    32
          <h1>Shopping list for <em>Monday</em>:</h1>
    33
    34
          <u1>
             Milk
    35
    36
             <1i>Bread
    37
               <u1>
    38
                  White bread
    39
                  Rye bread
                  Whole wheat bread
    40
               41
    42
            43
             Rice
             Potatoes
    44
             Pizza <em>with mushrooms</em>
    45
          46
    47
    48
          <a class = "nodec" href = "http://food.com">Go to the
Grocery
    49
          store</a>
    50
        </body>
    51
    52
        </html>
```



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External Style sheets

- An external style sheet is ideal when style is applied to many pages. With an external style sheet, you can change the look of entire web site by changing one file. Each page must link to the style sheet using link> tag. The link> tag goes inside the head section.
- Style Properties are defined and placed in external files.
- File saved with extension .css.
- These files are then Cascaded with the HTML Documents and properties are suitably applied.

```
<HEAD>
     link rel ="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="mystyle.css">
</HEAD>
```

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Ways to cascade style sheets

- Using the <LINK> Tag
 - REL =""
 - TYPE=""
 - HREF=""
- By importing the Style sheet
 - @import url("<filename>.css")
 - works only in IE

```
/* Fig. 4.4: styles.css
                                */
2
     /* An external stylesheet */
3
4
             { text-decoration: none }
5
     a:hover { text-decoration: underline;
6
7
               color: red;
8
               background-color: #ccffcc
                                                  Define attributes used for
9
                                                      linking documents
             { color: red;
10
     li em
11
               font-weight: bold}
12
13
             { margin-left: 2cm
     ul
14
15
     ul ul
             { text-decoration: underline;
16
               margin-left: .5cm }
```

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
                    "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
     2
     3
          <html>
     4
     5
          <!-- Fig. 4.5: imported.html
     6
                                                -->
          <!-- Linking external style sheets
     7
                                               Link external stylesheet
     8
                                                with current document
     9
          <head>
             <title>XML How to Program - Importing Style Sheets</title>
     10
             k rel = "stylesheet" type = "text/css" href =
     11
"styles.css">
          </head>
     12
     13
```

```
15
   16
          <h1>Shopping list for <em>Monday</em>:</h1>
   17
          <u1>
   18
            Milk
   19
            Sread
   20
              <u1>
   21
                 White bread
   22
                 Rye bread
                 Whole wheat bread
   23
   24
              25
            Rice
   26
   27
            Potatoes
            Pizza <em>with mushrooms</em>
   28
   29
            30
   31
          >
    32
          <a href = "http://food.com">Go to the Grocery</a>
store</a>
          34
   35
       </body>
       </html>
   36
```

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Cascading Order

What style will be used when there is more than one style specified for an HTML element?

Generally speaking we can say that all the styles will "cascade" into a new "virtual" style sheet by the following rules, where number four has the highest priority:

- Browser default
- External style sheet
- Internal style sheet (inside the <head> tag)
- Inline style (inside an HTML element)

So, an inline style (inside an HTML element) has the highest priority, which means that it will override a style declared inside the <head>tag, in an external style sheet, or in a browser (a default value).

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Related Tags

- Tags used to apply styles to parts of the HTML document
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- <DIV>
- <DIV> Holds paragraphs and other block- level elements (starts with a new block)
 - ALIGN = LEFT (Default) | CENTER| RIGHT | JUSTIFY
 - NOWRAP = FALSE (default) | TRUE
 - CLASS = "userdefinedstring"
 - ID = "uniqueIdentification"
- The primary difference between the SPAN and DIV elements is that SPAN doesn't do any formatting of it's own. The DIV element includes a paragraph break. The SPAN element simply tells the browser to apply the style rules to whatever is within the SPAN.



DIV element example	Output
This is some text <div style="color:#FF0000;"></div>	This is some text
<h4>This is a header in a div section</h4> <p>This is a paragraph in a div section</p>	This is a header in a div section This is a paragraph in a div section

EXAMPLE

SPAN element example	Output
<p>This is a paragraph This is a paragraph This is a paragraph</p> <p> <sapn style="color:#00DD45;"> This is another paragraph </sapn> </p>	This is a paragraph This is a paragraph This is a paragraph This is another paragraph

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Style properties

- Color Properties
- Background Properties
- Font Properties
- Text Properties
- Margin Properties
- Border Properties
- Classification Properties

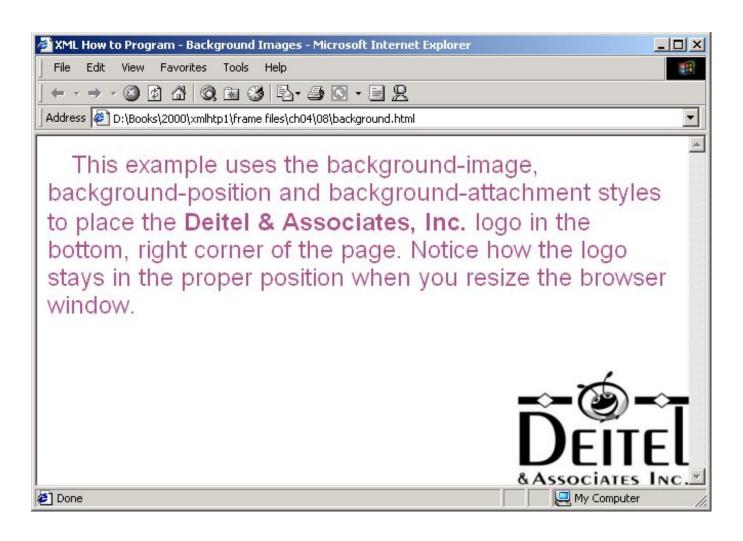
Background Properties

Property	Description	Values
background	A shorthand property for setting all background properties in one declaration	background-color background-image background-repeat background- attachment background-position
background- attachment	Sets whether a background image is fixed or scrolls with the rest of the page	scroll fixed
background-color	Sets the background color of an element	color-rgb, color-hex, color-name transparent
background-image	Sets an image as the background	url none
position background image center cent		top left, top center, top right, center left, center center, center right, bottom left, bottom center, bottom right, x-% y-% x-pos y-pos
background-repeat	Sets if/how a background image will be repeated	repeat, repeat-x, repeat-y, no-repeat

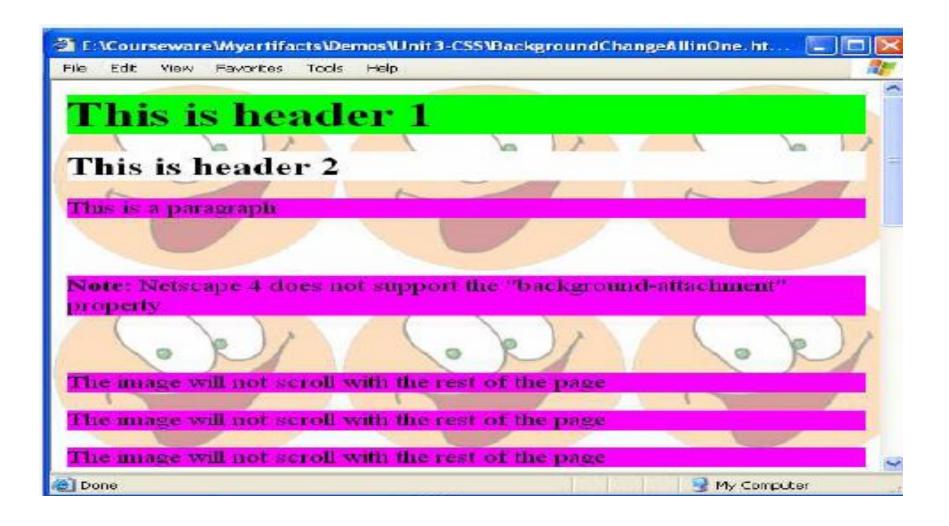
```
1
          <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
     2
                    "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
          <html>
     3
     4
          <!-- Fig. 4.8: background.html
     5
                                                          -->
          <!-- Adding background images and indentation -->
     6
     7
          <head>
     8
             <title>XML How to Program - Background
Images / title>
     11
             <style type = "text/css">
     12
     13
                body { background-image: url(logo.gif);
                                                              Place image at bottom-right of screen
     14
                         background-position: bottom right;
     15
                         background-repeat: no-repeat;
     16
                         background-attachment: fixed; }
     17
     18
                       { font-size: 18pt;
                p
     19
                         color: #aa5588;
     20
                         text-indent: 1em;
     21
                         font-family: arial, sans-serif; }
     22
     23
                 .dark { font-weight: bold; }
     24
             </style>
     25
          </head>
     26
     27
```

```
28
    <body>
29
30
       31
       This example uses the background-image,
32
       background-position and background-attachment
33
       styles to place the <span class = "dark">Deitel
34
        & Associates, Inc.</span> logo in the bottom,
35
       right corner of the page. Notice how the logo
36
        stays in the proper position when you resize the
       browser window.
37
38
       39
40
    </body>
    </html>
41
```

Output



Background Properties - Example



EXAMPLE-CODE

```
<HTML><HEAD>
   <STYLE>
   body { background: white
   url ("smiley.bmp")
   repeat fixed }
   h1 {background-color: #00ff00}
   h2 {background-color: white}
   p {background-color: rgb(250,0,255)}
   </STYLE></HEAD>
   <BODY>
     <H1>This is header 1</H1>
     <H2>This is header 2</H2>
     <P>This is a paragraph</P> <BR><BR>
     <b>Note:</b> Netscape 4 does not support the "background-attachment" property.
     <BR><BR>
     <P>The image will not scroll with the rest of the page</P><BR><BR>
     <P>The image will not scroll with the rest of the page</P><BR><BR>
     <P>The image will not scroll with the rest of the page</P><BR><BR>
     <P>The image will not scroll with the rest of the page</P><BR><BR>
   </BODY>
   </HTML>
```

Font Properties

Properties	Values	
font-family	Arial, Monospace,	
font-style	Normal, italic, oblique	
font-size	normal, small-caps x-small, small, medium,large	
font-weight	normal, bold, bolder, light, x-large	

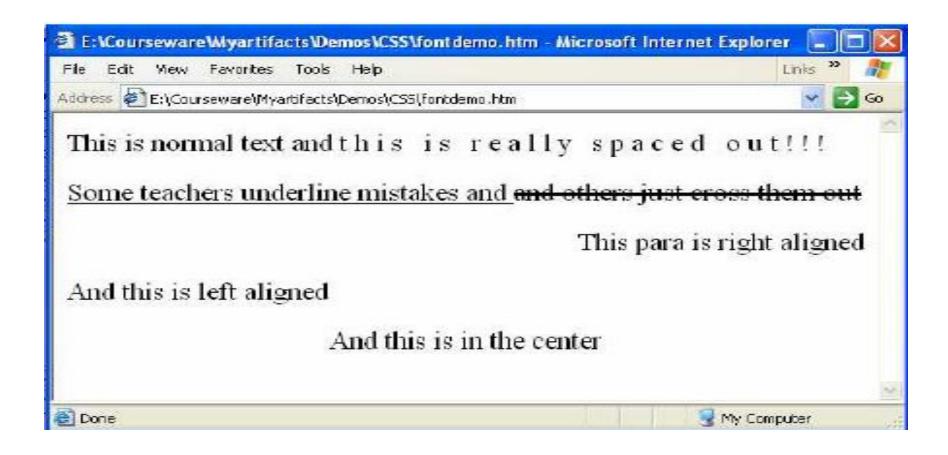
TRY IT

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
   <STYLE TYPE="text/css">
     P.FontStyle {font-style:italic;}
     P.FontFamily {font-family:"Comic Sans MS", Arial;}
     P.FontWeight {font-weight:bold;}
     P.FontSize {font-size:xx-small;}
   </STYLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
     <P CLASS=FontFamily>What type of font is this - Comic Sans or Arial???
     <P CLASS=FontStyle>This is now italicized
     <P CLASS=FontWeight>The bold and the beautiful
     <P CLASS=FontSize>Small is beautiful</P>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

Text Properties

Property	Description	Possible Values
color	Sets the color of a text	color
direction	Sets the text direction	ltr, rtl
letter-spacing	Increase or decrease the space between characters	normal <i>length</i>
text-align	Aligns the text in an element	left , right, center justify
text- decoration	Adds decoration to text	None, underline overline, line-through blink
text-indent	Indents the first line of text in an element	length, %
text-shadow		none, color, length
text-transform	Controls the letters in an element	none, capitalize uppercase, lowercase
word-spacing	Increase or decrease the space between words	normal <i>length</i>

Example



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EXAMPLE-CODE

```
<HTML>
<HFAD>
   <STYLE TYPE="text/css">
   SPAN.LettersFar {letter-spacing:5px;}
   SPAN.Underlined {text-decoration:underline;}
   SPAN.LineThrough {text-decoration:line-through;}
   P.RightAlign {text-align:right;}
   P.LeftAlign {text-align:left;}
   P.CenterAlign {text-align:center;}
   </STYLE>
</HFAD>
<BODY>This is normal text and
    <SPAN CLASS=LettersFar>this is really spaced out!!!</SPAN>
    <P><SPAN CLASS=Underlined>Some teachers underline mistakes and
   </SPAN>
    <SPAN CLASS=LineThrough>and others just cross them out</SPAN>
    <P><P CLASS=RightAlign>This para is right aligned</SPAN>
    <P CLASS=LeftAlign>And this is left aligned</SPAN>
    <P CLASS=CenterAlign>And this is in the center</SPAN>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

Margin Properties

Property	Description	Values
margin	A shorthand property for setting the margin properties in one declaration	margin-top margin-right margin-bottom margin-left
margin-bottom	Sets the bottom margin of an element	auto length %
margin-left	Sets the left margin of an element	auto length %
margin-right	Sets the right margin of an element	auto length %
margin-top	Sets the top margin of an element	auto length %

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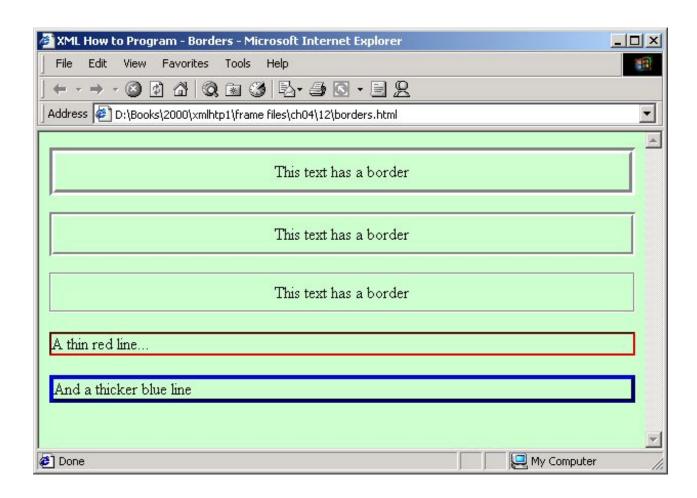
Border Properties

Property	Description	Values
border-color	Sets the color of the four borders, can have from one to four colors	Color
border-style	Sets the style of the four borders, can have from one to four styles	none, hidden, dotted, dashed, solid, double, groove, ridge, inset outset
border-width	A shorthand property for setting the width of the four borders in one declaration, can have from one to four values	thin medium thick <i>length</i>

P {border-top-color:red} will sets the color of the top border of the paragraph to red.

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
1
2
               "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
3
     <html>
4
     <!-- Fig. 4.12: borders.html
5
     <!-- Setting borders of an element -->
6
7
     <head>
8
9
        <title>XML How to Program - Borders</title>
10
11
        <style type = "text/css">
12
13
                   { background-color: #ccffcc }
           body
14
15
           div
                   { text-align: center;
16
                     margin-bottom: 1em;
17
                     padding: .5em }
18
19
           .thick { border-width: thick }
20
21
           .medium { border-width: medium }
22
                                                        Define various borders
23
           .thin
                   { border-width: thin }
24
25
           .groove { border-style: groove }
26
           .inset { border-style: inset }
27
28
```

```
29
              .outset { border-style: outset }
    30
    31
                     { border-color: red }
              .red
    32
    33
              .blue
                     { border-color: blue }
    34
           </style>
    35
    36
        </head>
    37
    38
        <body>
    39
    40
           <div class = "thick groove">This text has a
border</div>
    41
           <div class = "medium groove">This text has a
border</div>
           <div class = "thin groove">This text has a border</div>
    42
    43
    44
           A thin red line...
    45
           And a thicker blue
line
    47
        </body>
        </html>
    48
```



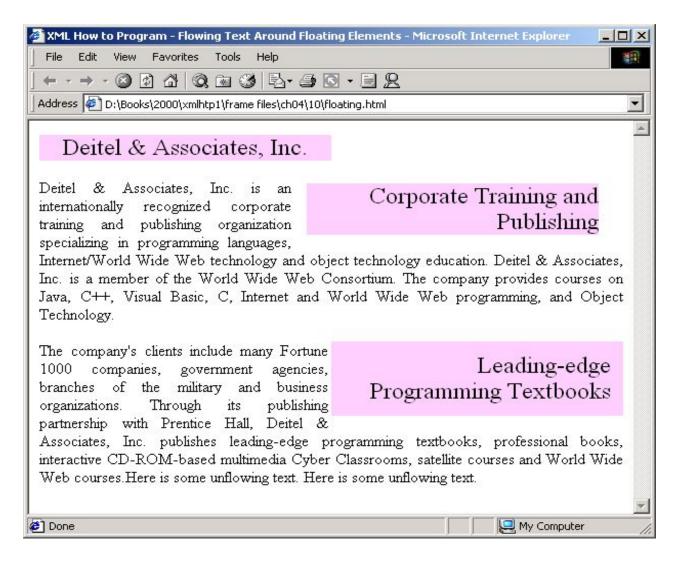
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Text Flow and the Box Model

- Floating
 - Allows repositioning of elements
 - Nearby text will wrap
 - clear property overrides wrapping
- Margin
 - Defines size of element's margins

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
1
2
               "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
     <html>
3
4
5
     <!-- Fig. 4.10: floating.html
                                               -->
6
     <!-- Floating elements and element boxes -->
7
     <head>
8
9
        <title>XML How to Program - Flowing Text Around
10
          Floating Elements
11
        <style type = "text/css">
12
13
14
           div { background-color: #ffccff;
15
                 margin-bottom: .5em;
16
                 font-size: 1.5em;
17
                 width: 50% }
18
19
               { text-align: justify; }
           р
20
        </style>
21
22
     </head>
23
24
```

```
Float text in box on right-side
     25
          <body>
                                            with .5-pixel margin
     26
     27
             <div style = "text-zlign: center">Deitel & Associates,
Inc.</div>
             <div style = "float: right; margin: .5em; text-align:</pre>
     29
right30
                Corporate Training and Publishing</div>
     31
     32
             Deitel & Associates, Inc. is an internationally
recognized
             corporate training and publishing organization
specializing in programming languages, Internet/World Wide Web
technglogy
             and object technology education. Deitel & Associates,
             Inc. is a member of the World Wide Web Consortium. The
     36
company
             provides courses on Java, C++, Visual Basic, C, Internet
and
     38
             World Wide Web programming, and Object Technology. 
     39
             <div style = "float: right; padding: .5em; text-align:</pre>
     40
right">
                Leading-edge Programming Textbooks</div>
     42
     43
             The company's clients include many Fortune 1000
companies,
             government agencies, branches of the military and
business
             organizations. Through its publishing partnership with
Prentice
             Hall, Deitel & Associates, Inc. publishes leading-edge
     47
             programming textbooks, professional books, interactive
     48
             CD-ROM-based multimedia Cyber Classrooms, satellite
courses
             and World Wide Web courses. <span style = "clear:</pre>
right50Here
             is some unflowing text. Here is some unflowing
text.span>
     52
          </body>
          </html>
     53
```



Yours to Do Stuff

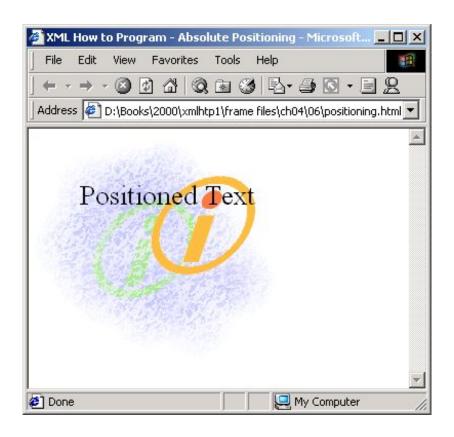
Classification Properties

Property	Description	Values
clear	Sets the sides of an element where other floating elements are not allowed	left, right, both, none
cursor	Specifies the type of cursor to be displayed	url, auto, crosshair default, pointer, move
display	Sets how/if an element is displayed	none, inline, block list-item, run-in compact, marker
float	Sets where an image or a text will appear in another element	left, right, none
list-style-type	Sets the type of the list-item marker	none, disc, circle, square decimal, lower-roman upper-roman, lower-alpha, upper-alpha
list-style-image	Sets an image as the list-item marker	none, url
visibility	Sets if an element should be visible or invisible	visible, hidden, collapse

Positioning with Style Sheets

Property	Description	Values
bottom	Sets how far the bottom edge of an element is above/below the bottom edge of the parent element Similarly we have left , right and top.	auto, <i>%, length</i>
Position	Places an element in a static, relative, absolute or fixed position	static, relative, absolute fixed
overflow	Sets what happens if the content of an element overflow its area	visible, hidden, scroll auto
vertical-align	Sets the vertical alignment of an element	baseline, sub, super, top, text-top, middle, bottom text-bottom, <i>length,</i> %
z-index	Sets the stack order of an element. Default z-index is 0. Element with smaller Z-index will be placed "behind" another element having larger z-index,	Auto, number

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
                    "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
     2
     3
          <html>
     4
          <!-- Fig 4.6: positioning.html
     5
                                               -->
          <!-- Absolute positioning of elements -->
     6
     7
          <head>
     8
     9
             <title>XML How to Program - Absolute Positioning</tit</pre>
                                                                    Use inline style to position
          </head>
     10
                                                                   images: place second image
     11
                                                                   over the first (because second
     12
          <body>
                                                                    image has higher z index)
     13
             <imq src = "i.gif" style = "position: absolute; top:</p>
     14
<sup>0</sup>px; 15
                left: 0px; z-index: 1" alt = "First positioned
image">
             z-index: 3; font-size: 20pt;">Positioned Text
     17
          <img src = "circle.gif" style = "position: absolute; top:</p>
     18
25px;
                left: 100px; z-index: 2" alt = "Second positioned
image">
          </body>
     21
     22
          </html>
```



```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN"</pre>
                "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
2
3
     <html>
4
5
     <!-- Fig. 4.7: positioning2.html
                                               -->
     <!-- Relative positioning of elements -->
6
7
     <head>
8
9
        <title>XML How to Program - Relative Positioning</title>
10
11
        <style type = "text/css">
12
                        { font-size: 1.3em;
13
           p
14
                          font-family: verdana, arial, sans-serif
15
16
                        { color: red;
           span
17
                          font-size: .6em;
18
                          height: 1em }
19
                                                       Define attributes that position elements
20
            .super
                        { position: relative;
                                                        relative to browser-defined location
21
                          top: -lex }
22
23
                        { position: relative;
            . sub
24
                          bottom: -lex }
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25

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26
                .shiftleft { position: relative;
    27
                             left: -1ex }
    28
    29
               .shiftright { position: relative;
    30
                             right: -1ex }
    31
    32
            </style>
         </head>
     33
    34
    35
         <body>
    36
    37
            The text at the end of this sentence
     38
            <span class = "super">is in superscript</span>.
     39
    40
            The text at the end of this sentence
    41
            <span class = "sub">is in subscript</span>.
    42
     43
            The text at the end of this sentence
    44
            <span class = "shiftleft">is shifted left</span>.
    45
     46
            The text at the end of this sentence
     47
            <span class = "shiftright">is shifted
right | span > . 
     49
         </body>
     50
         </html>
```

