

CSE 482L: Internet and Web Technology Lab	Lab Manual
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Goal: To understand CSS

- Inline Vs in-file Vs external CSS
- Selectors and specificity rules
- Box Model, Animation
- Responsiveness, media queries

Inline CSS

Create a file as follows. Tinker with different values of the styles and observe their effects. You may use the browser's built in development tool to speed up.

On every line style information is added inside the **style** attribute of the html element. This is hard to manage for a large html file. Therefore, a better and more manageable approach becomes necessary. In-file CSS is better. Why is it a better approach? Is it more efficient? Does the browser treat these two approaches differently? You may now save the above file as the following one. (Given in next page)

File name: my infile.html <!DOCTYPE html> <html> <head> <style> body { background-color: lightblue; h1 { color: white; text-align: center; **p** { font-family: verdana; font-size: 20px; </style> </head> <body> <h1>My First CSS at CSE482</h1> This is the 1st para. This is the 2nd para. </body> </html>

Try adding more html elements like <h1> and tags. Do you see any advantage while coding?

External CSS

Now split the file above into two files as follows. Make sure you save them in the same folder.

```
File name: style.css

body {
    background-color: lightblue;
}
h1 {
    color: white;
    text-align: center;
}
p {
    font-family: verdana;
    font-size: 20px;
```

Now browse to this html file (external.html). Do you see any difference? Your code surely looks more organized.

What is the purpose of this new line link rel="stylesheet" href="style.css"> inside the <head>?

Using external CSS file has other advantages. These external files get cached by default at the browser. If any other html page from your website uses the same set of styles by linking to these same CSS files your browser will use them from its cache. This is a great advantage. This enhances performance web applications.

CSS Selectors

Now let's play with the following files to understand CSS selector better. Modify the style.css and external.html files as follows

```
File name: style1.css

body {background-color: lightblue;}
h1 {color: white; text-align: center; }
p {font-family: verdana; font-size: 20px;}
#myID{
    border-style: solid;
    border-width: 5px;
    border-color: tomato;
    color: black;
}
.class1{color: orange;}
.class2{color: blue;}
```


Now, browse to external.html file. What differences do you see? Why the $\langle h1 \rangle$ tags differ? Why do the $\langle p \rangle$ tags differ in looks? Why did the style on the 2nd $\langle h1 \rangle$ tag $\langle h1 \rangle$ tag $\langle h1 \rangle$ First CSS at CSE482 $\langle h1 \rangle$ not display white color text? Why was the first rule $h1\{color: white; text-align: center;\}$ overridden?

CSS Specificity

If there are two or more CSS rules that point to the same element, the selector with the highest specificity value will "win", and its style declaration will be applied to that HTML element. Find this rule at W3schools¹ / MDN.

¹ W3Schools: https://www.w3schools.com/

Why does it show pink? If you remove the inline style which style will apply?

Padding, Margin, Border, and Dimension Units

```
File name: box.html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
    <style>
        div {
            background-color: lightgrey;
            width: 30rem;
            border: 15px solid green;
            border-radius: 2rem;
            padding: 50px;
            margin: 20px;
    </style>
</head>
<body>
    <h2>Padding, margin, border and border radius</h2>
    <div>
        This is box's content. 50px padding, 20px margin, 15px green border
        and a border radius of 2rem.
    </div>
</body>
</html>
```

Try changing the parameter of the styles from px to rem, em and percentage? Google or search W3schools.com / MDN² to find what do rem, em mean.

² MDN: Mozilla Developers Network. https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/ Authors: naqib.hussain@northsouth.edu, nazmul.diptu@northsouth.edu

```
File name: mystyle.css
div {
    background-color: red;
    width: 10rem;
    height: 10rem;
    text-align: center;
    position: relative;
    animation-name: my_animation;
    animation-duration: 4s;
    animation-iteration-count: 2;
    animation-direction: alternate;
}
@keyframes my_animation {
    0% {
        background-color: red;
        left: 0px;
        top: 0px;
    }
    25% {
        background-color: yellow;
        left: 200px;
        top: 0px;
    }
    50% {
        background-color: blue;
        left: 200px;
        top: 200px;
    }
    75% {
        background-color: green;
        left: 0px;
        top: 200px;
    }
    100% {
        background-color: red;
        left: 0px;
        top: 0px;
    }
```

Change animation parameters and try to understand. Can you make this box spin? What changes does it need to spin?

Responsiveness and Media Queries

```
File name: responsive.html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
   <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
   <link rel="stylesheet" href="responsive.css">
</head>
<body>
   <div class="header">
       <h1>Chania</h1>
   </div>
   <div class="row">
       <div class="col-3 menu">
          <u1>
              The Flight
              The City
              The Island
              The Food
          </div>
       <div class="col-6">
```

```
<h1>The City</h1>
           This example is taken from w3schools.
       </div>
       <div class="col-3 right">
           <div class="aside">
               <h2>What?</h2>
               Chania is a city on the island of Crete.
               <h2>Where?</h2>
               Crete is a Greek island in the Mediterranean Sea.
               <h2>How?</h2>
               You can reach Chania airport from all over Europe.
           </div>
       </div>
   </div>
   <div class="footer">
       Resize the browser window to see how the content responds.
   </div>
</body>
</html>
File name: responsive.css
* {box-sizing: border-box;}
.row::after {
   content: "";
   clear: both;
```

```
* {box-sizing: border-box;}
.row::after {
    content: "";
    clear: both;
    display: block;
}
[class*="col-"] {
    float: left;
    padding: 15px;
}
html {
    font-family: "Lucida Sans", sans-serif;
}
.header {
    background-color: #9933cc;
    color: #fffffff;
    padding: 15px;
}
.menu ul {
    list-style-type: none;
```

margin: 0;

```
padding: 0;
}
.menu li {
    padding: 8px;
    margin-bottom: 7px;
    background-color: #33b5e5;
    color: #ffffff;
    box-shadow: 0 1px 3px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.12), 0 1px 2px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.24);
.menu li:hover {
    background-color: #0099cc;
}
.aside {
    background-color: #33b5e5;
    padding: 15px;
    color: #ffffff;
    text-align: center;
    font-size: 14px;
    box-shadow: 0 1px 3px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.12), 0 1px 2px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.24);
}
.footer {
    background-color: #0099cc;
    color: #ffffff;
    text-align: center;
    font-size: 12px;
    padding: 15px;
}
/* For desktop: */
.col-1 { width: 8.33%; }
.col-2 { width: 16.66%; }
.col-3 { width: 25%; }
.col-4 { width: 33.33%; }
.col-5 { width: 41.66%; }
.col-6 { width: 50%; }
.col-7 { width: 58.33%; }
.col-8 { width: 66.66%; }
.col-9 { width: 75%; }
.col-10 { width: 83.33%; }
.col-11 { width: 91.66%; }
.col-12 { width: 100%; }
@media only screen and (max-width: 768px) {
    /* For mobile phones: */
    [class*="col-"] { width: 100%; }
```

Lab Task

Design a complete HTML page (you may use the last class's HTML page) and apply CSS extensively. You may take help from W3Schools examples at https://www.w3schools.com/css/css_website_layout.asp

Assignment

Construct a basic **portfolio website of your own**. The webpage should have your photo, career objective, working experience, skills, links etc. Use external CSS script. Your page must be fully responsive; no part should be broken when displayed on different screen sizes. Use it as a page of your project.

Practice to Learn

- 1) Explore examples at W3 schools as much as possible. However, run examples from the following URLs.
 - A. https://www.w3schools.com/css/css rwd grid.asp
 - B. https://www.w3schools.com/css/css rwd mediagueries.asp
 - C. https://www.w3schools.com/css/css_rwd_videos.asp
 - D. https://www.w3schools.com/css/css rwd frameworks.asp
- 2) Watch this YouTube video https://youtu.be/zBPHBnSlzfk?si=ZQPvg OUGjj78Fyw