2-HTML & CSS

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About HTML

HTML

- Hypertext Markup Language (not programming language)
- Created in 1989/1991 by Tim Berners Lee
- Markup language used to tell your browser how to structure web pages
- Current version:
 - HTML5 better semantics, performance, device access etc.
 - HTML elements
 - HTML & CSS style guide



Anatomy of HTML element

- Most of HTML elements consists of opening tag, content and closing tag.
- Opening tag consists of name of the element.
- Closing tag is the same as opening, except it includes a forward slash before the element name.
- Content can be text or another HTML element.
- Elements can also be empty (without the closing tag) - void elements

```
Opening tag

My cat is very grumpy
Content

Element

Closing tag

Closing ta
```

```
<img src="image.png" alt="My image" />
```



Boilerplate

- Anatomy of an HTML document
- Begins with declaration of artifact
- <html> wraps all the content of the page
- <head> container for metadata
- <body> container for content
- <!— HTML comment —>

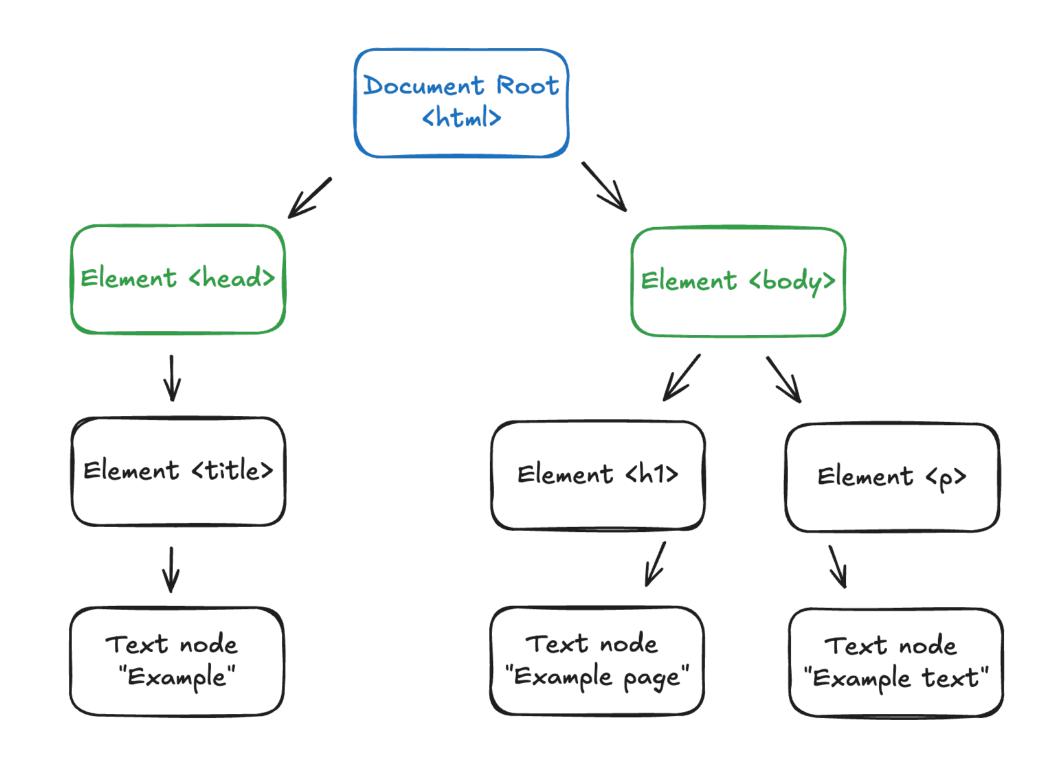
```
<!doctype html>
<html lang="en-US">
<head>
 ←!— Metadata goes here —>
 <meta charset="utf-8" />
 <title>My test page</title>
</head>
<body>
 ←!— Content goes here —>
 This is my page
</body>
</html>
```



DOM

Document Object Model

- When the web page is loaded, browser creates a DOM.
- It represents a web page so that programs can change the document structure, style and content.
- Logical tree each branch of the tree ends in a node, and each node contains objects.





Element categories

Element categories

 Block-level elements - always starts on a new line and takes up the full width available

 Inline elements - do not start on a new line and only take up as much width as necessary

- Element content categories
- By using CSS we can change the display property of each element, but changing the CSS display type doesn't change the category of the element.



Common tags and attributes

Common tags

- Example of good semantics
- Other common tags:

```
<div>, <span>, 
<figure>, <picture>, <img>
<form>, <label>, <input>
<h1>, <h2>...<h6>
<select>, <option>
<article>
```

```
<header>
  <nav>
    <a href="index.html">Home</a>
    <a href="about.html">About</a>
  </nav>
</header>
<main>
 <h1>Home</h1>
 <section>
   <h2>Section title</h2>
   Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit...
   <a href="more.html">Read more</a>
  ⟨section>
</main>
<footer>
 <nav>
    <a href="privacy.html">Privacy</a>
  </nav>
  <span>@copyright</span>
</footer>
```



Common attributes

- List of all HTML attributes
- Attributes contain extra information about the element that you don't want to appear in the actual content

```
<header id="header-main">
    <nav class="nav-horizontal">
        <a href="index.html" >Home</a>
        <a href="about.html">About</a>
    </nav>
</header>
<main>
    <form method="post" action="/sign-up">
        <label for="name">Name</label>
        <input type="text" name="name" id="name">
        <button type="submit" disabled>Sign up</button>
        <img src="image.png" alt="success">
    </form>
</main>
<footer>
    <nav class="nav-vertical">
        <a href="privacy.html" target="_blank">Privacy</a>
    </nav>
</footer>
```



Structuring content

Structuring content

- Why we need structure?
 - Users looking at the web page tend to scan quickly to find relevant content
 - Search engine indexing
 - Screen readers
 - Styling and targeting content with JS
- Most common structures:
 - Headings and paragraphs
 - Lists
 - Forms



Headings & paragraphs

- Single <h1> should be used per page.
- Emphasize certain words to alter the meaning of a sentence (,), useful for screen readers.



Lists

- Unordered lists are used to mark up lists of items for which order of items doesn't matter.
- Ordered lists are lists in which order of the items does matter.
- One list can be nested inside another list, often used in navigation menus.

```
←!—Unordered list—→
<l
  List item 1
  List item 2
←!——Ordered list—→
List item 1
  List item 2
←!—Nested list—→
List item 1
  <
    <l>
       List item 1
       List item 2
```



Forms

- Method the type of HTTP request
- Action the URL to send form data to
- Attribute "for" references to element id with the same value (when user clicks on label, then input will be focused)
- HTML input types



About CSS

About

- Cascading Style Sheets
- Set of rules defining how an HTML element will be presented in the browser
- Allows you to separate your web sites HTML content from it's style
- CSS properties
- How to use CSS?
 - External stylesheet
 - Internal stylesheet
 - Inline styles



Syntax

- Image shows CSS ruleset or rule.
- Selector can be HTML element or attribute (class, id, name...).
- Declaration block consists of property and value.

```
Selector

Color: red;

Property Property value

Declaration
```



Use of CSS

- How to use CSS?
- We can write all of our CSS in separate file, for example "main.css" and then link that file inside <head>.
- Style can also be written inside head <style> tags or inline within element.
- Inline styles always overwrite external styles.
- Inline CSS > Internal CSS > External CSS

```
<!doctype html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
   <title>Use of CSS</title>
   <link rel="stylesheet" href="main.css">
   <style>
      h1 {
          color: #800020;
   </style>
</head>
<body>
   <h1>Use of CSS</h1>
   Content ... 
</body>
</html>
```



Selectors

- Element selector
- ID selector
- Class selector
- Attribute selector
- Pseudo-class selector



Element selector

Any HTML element can be CSS element selector.

```
/*Make all h1 elements red and 50px font*/
h1 {
color: red;
font-size: 50px;
}
```



ID selector

Only one element with same ID is allowed on one page.

```
<h1 id="heading">Use of CSS</h1>
```

```
#heading {
    color: blue;
}
```



Class selector

 Compared to ID selectors, any number of class selectors with the same name can be written on the same page.

```
<h1 class="title">Use of CSS</h1>
```

```
.title {
    color: green;
}
```



Attribute selector

- Any HTML attribute can be a selector.
- We can also target specific attribute values.

```
<label for="name">Name</label>
<input type="text" id="name">
```

```
18     label[for],
19     input[type=text] {
20           color: purple;
21     }
```



Pseudo-class selector

- A pseudo-class is used to define a special state of an element.
- Pseudo-classes can be combined with CSS classes.



CSS combinators

- A CSS selector can contain more than one simple selector. Between the simple selectors, we can include a combinator.
 - Descendant combinator (space)
 - Child combinator (>)
 - Next sibling combinator (+)
 - Subsequent-sibling combinator (~)



Descendant combinator (space)

- The descendant combinator matches all elements that are descendants of a specified element.
- The following example selects all elements inside <div> elements:

```
31    div p {
32        background-color: yellow;
33    }
```

```
<div>123</div></div>
```



Child combinator (>)

- The child combinator selects all elements that are the children of a specified element.
- The following example selects all elements that are children of a <div> element:

```
35     div > p {
36         background-color: yellow;
37     }
```



Next Sibling combinator (+)

- The next sibling combinator is used to select an element that is directly after another specific element.
- The following example selects the first element that are placed immediately after <div> elements:

```
39     div + p {
40         background-color: yellow;
41     }
```



Subsequent-sibling combinator (~)

- The subsequent-sibling combinator selects all elements that are next siblings of a specified element.
- The following example selects all elements that are next siblings of <div> elements:

```
div ~ p {
   background-color: yellow;
}
```



Cascade and specificity

Cascade & specificity

- The CSS language has rules to control which rule will win in the event of collision these are called *cascade* and *specificity* (and inheritance).
- Cascade is an algorithm that defines how to combine property values originating from different sources - <u>read more</u>.
- Specificity is a weight that is applied to a given CSS declaration, determined by the number of each selector type in matching selector - <u>read more</u>.
- Read more details <u>here</u>.



Specificity

- The following selector types increases by specificity:
- 1. Type selectors (i.e. h1) and pseudoelements (i.e. ::before)
- 2. Class selectors (i.e. .example), attributes selector (i.e. [type=input]) and pseudo-classes (i.e. :hover)
- 3. ID selectors (i.e. #example)

```
HTML
<h1 class="main-heading">This is my heading.</h1>
CSS
.main-heading {
  color: red;
h1 {
  color: blue;
```

This is my heading.



Responsive design

Responsive design

- Responsive web design (RWD) is a web design approach to make web pages render well on all screen sizes and resolutions while ensuring good usability.
- Mobile-first design.
- Some of the web platform features you might want to use when creating a responsive site:
 - Media queries allow us to run a series of tests (e.g. whether the user's screen is greater than a certain width, or a certain resolution) and apply CSS selectively to style the page appropriately for the user's needs.
 - Several layout methods, including <u>Multiple-column</u> <u>layout</u>, <u>Flexbox</u>, and <u>Grid</u> are responsive by default. They all assume that you are trying to create a flexible grid and give you easier ways to do so.

```
CSS

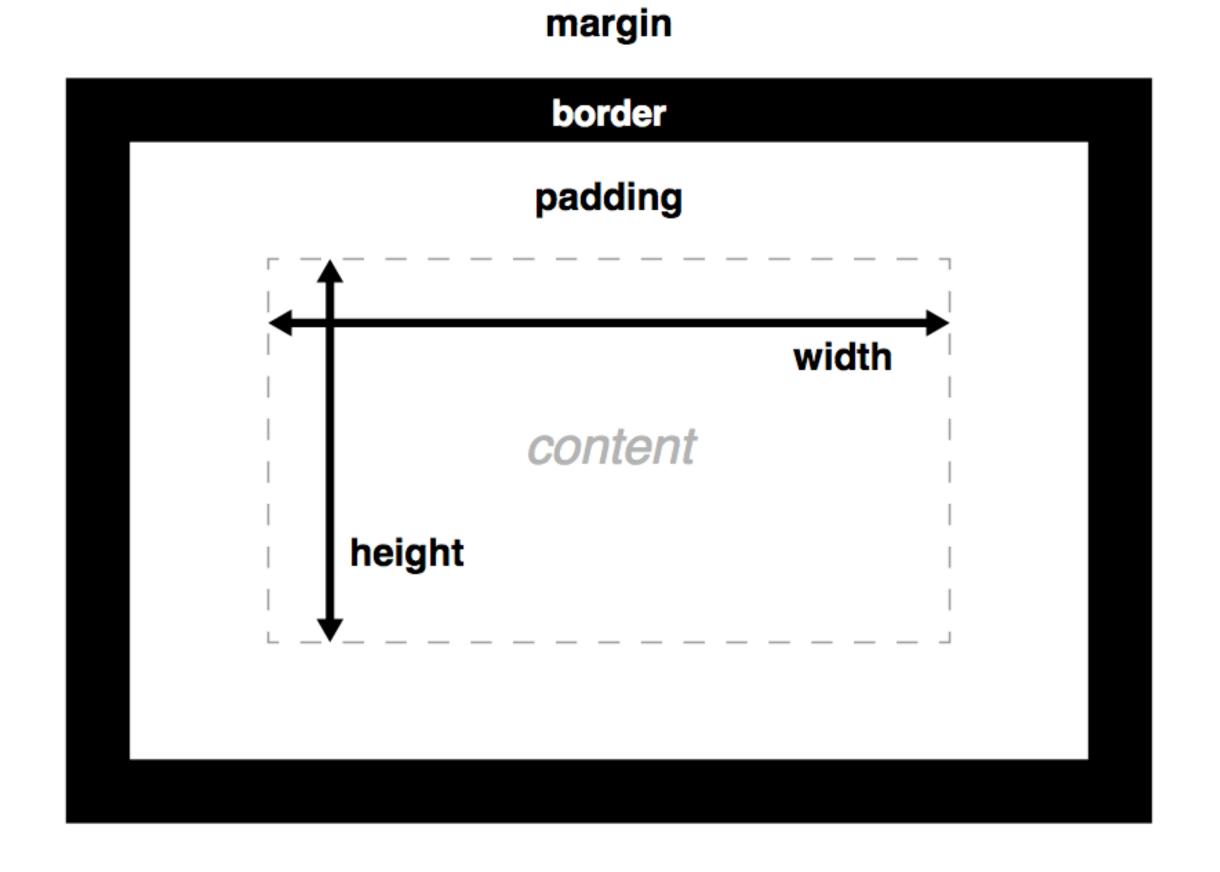
@media screen and (min-width: 80rem) {
    .container {
       margin: 1em 2em;
    }
}
```



Box model

Box model

- CSS box model
- For easier development setup the box-sizing property to value border-box. This property sets how the total width and height if an element is calculated.
 - More about box-sizing property





Hands-on

Hands-on

- Create a simple HTML page
- Page has to concur to HTML standards
- Page consists of header, footer, and a main section
- Add a title to the HTML document
- Add a title of the page
- In the main section, add a form with input (type text) and a button, which we will use to input our TODOs.
- Add a "mock" list of initial TODOs unordered list with several list items
- Using CSS style the page and it's elements by your liking

