



Module 5

Style Sheets



Module Overview

In this module, you will learn about:

- Style Sheets
- Selectors in CSS
- Properties and Values
- Inheritance and Cascades in CSS



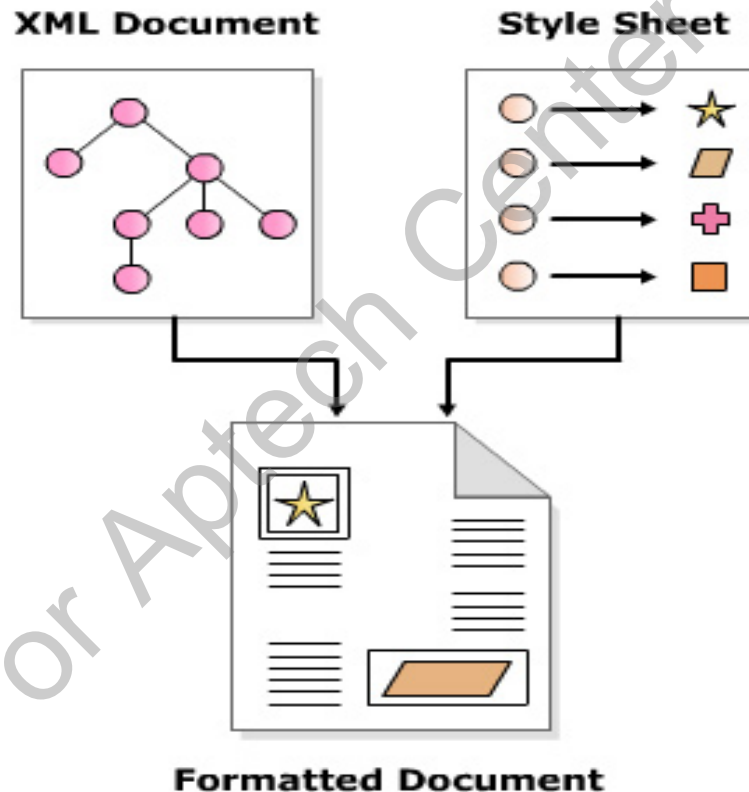
Lesson 1 – Style Sheets

In this first lesson, **Style Sheets**, you will learn to:

- Define and describe style sheets.
- Define and describe cascading style sheets (CSS).
- Explain how to implement styles with CSS.

Need of Style Sheets

- They are a set of rules that describe the appearance of data in an XML document.





Various Style Sheets

Cascading Style Sheet (CSS)

- It allows you to control the appearance of data in HTML and XML documents.

Extensible Style Sheet (XSL)

- It is used to define the appearance of data contained only in XML documents.



Cascading Style Sheets

- It comprises a set of rules for various elements in a document.
- Each rule defines how the data enclosed in the element should be displayed.
- The term cascading is derived from this ability to mix and match rules.

XML Document

```
<Library>
  <Films>
    <Film>
      <Name>Ghost Rider</Name>
      <Sound>Yes</Sound>
      <Year>2007</Year>
      <Cast>Nicolas Cage and others</Cast>
    </Film>
  </Films>
</Library>
```

Style Sheet

```
Name { font-style: bold }
Cast { color: aqua }
```



Benefits of CSS

- Any style or presentation changes to data can be achieved faster as changes are to be implemented in one place.
- Device independence can be achieved by defining different style sheets for different device.
- Reduction in document code as the presentation information is stored in a different file and can be reused.



Style Rules

- They define how the content enclosed in an element will be displayed.
- These rules are applicable to all child elements within an element.
 - **Selector**
 - **Property**
 - **Value**

```
selector { property : value }
```




Ways of Writing Style rules

- A single selector can have more than one property-value pairs associated with it.
- A collection of one or more property-value pairs can be associated with more than one selector.

Single selector, multiple property declarations

```
CD { font-family: sans-serif; color: black }
```

Multiple selectors, multiple property declarations

```
CD, Name, Title { font-family: times; color: black }
```



External Style Sheets

- It should appear in the prolog section of an XML document, that is, it should appear before any tag of an element.
- One XML document can have more than one style sheet processing instructions, each linked to one .css file.

Syntax

```
<?xml-stylesheet href="headers.css" type="text/css"?>
```

where,

`xml-stylesheet` is the processing instruction.

`url` is the URL of a .css file; the .css file can be on a local system or anywhere on the Internet.

`type="text/css"` is optional; however if a browser does not support CSS, it informs the browser that it does not have to download a .css file.

Code Snippet

```
<?xml-stylesheet href="url" [type="text/css"]?>
```



Lesson 2 – Selectors in CSS

In this second lesson, **Selectors in CSS**, you will learn to:

- Identify simple selectors in CSS.
- State the use of universal selector in CSS.
- Describe ID selectors.



Simple Selectors

- It comprises an element name followed by one or more property declarations.
- It match every occurrence of the element in a document.

Code Snippet

```
/* Simple selector */  
CD { color: black }  
/* Single element, multiple property declarations */  
CD { color: white; background-color: blue }  
/* Multiple elements, multiple property declarations */  
CD, Name, Title { color: white; background-color: blue }
```



Universal Selector

- It comprises an asterisk followed by property declarations.
- It matches all the elements in a document.

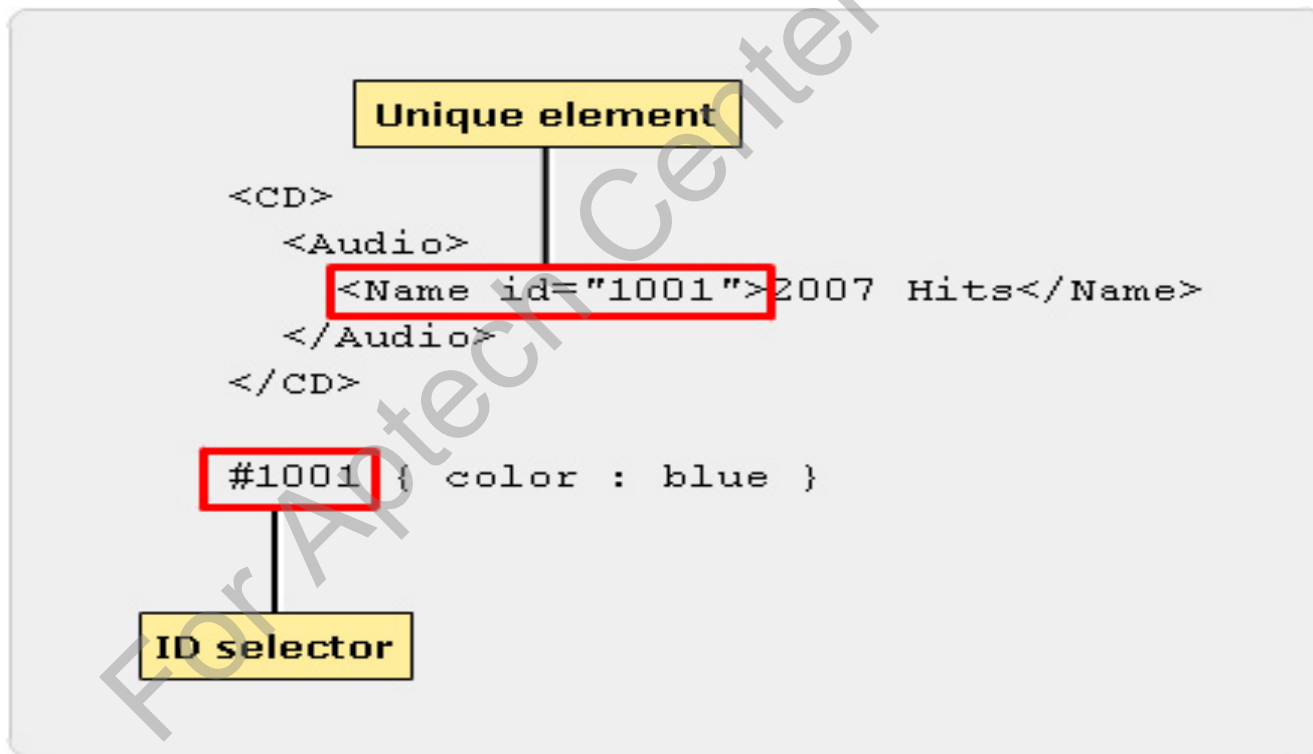
Code Snippet

```
* { color : blue }
```

Displays the content of all elements in a document in blue.

ID Selector 1-2

- It comprises a hash (#) symbol, immediately followed by an attribute's value followed by property declarations.
- It is used to define styles for unique elements in a document.





ID Selector 2-2

Syntax

```
#attribute_value { property_declarations }
```

Code Snippet

```
#1001 { color : blue }
```

Displays the content of an element in blue if its id attribute's value equals 1001.



Lesson 3 – Properties and Values

In this third lesson, **Properties and Values**, you will learn to:

- State and describe how to use color properties.
- Describe the font property.
- Describe the other properties such as margins, borders, padding.
- Explain briefly about positioning and alignment.



Color Properties

Color Names	RGB Percentages	RGB Values	Hexadecimal Values
aqua	rgb (0%, 65%, 65)	rgb (0, 160, 160)	#00a0a0
black	rgb (0%, 0%, 0%)	rgb (0, 0, 0)	#000000
blue	rgb (0%, 32%, 100)	rgb (0, 80, 255)	#0050ff
gray	rgb (65%, 65%, 65%)	rgb (160, 160, 160)	#a0a0a0
green	rgb (0%, 100%, 0%)	rgb (0, 255, 0)	#00ff00
lime	rgb (0%, 65%, 0%)	rgb (0, 160, 0)	#00a000
maroon	rgb (70%, 0%, 32%)	rgb (176, 0, 80)	#b00050
navy	rgb (0%, 0%, 65%)	rgb (0, 0, 160)	#0000a0
olive	rgb (65%, 65%, 0%)	rgb (160, 160, 0)	#a0a000
purple	rgb (65%, 0%, 65%)	rgb (160, 0, 160)	#a000a0
red	rgb (100%, 0%, 32%)	rgb (255, 0, 80)	#ff0050
silver	rgb (90%, 90%, 90%)	rgb (225, 225, 255)	#d0d0d0
teal	rgb (0%, 65%, 100%)	rgb (0, 160, 255)	#00a0ff
white	rgb (100%, 100%, 100%)	rgb (255, 255, 255)	#ffffff
yellow	rgb (100%, 100%, 0%)	rgb (255, 255, 0)	#ffff00



Setting Color Properties 1-3

Syntax

```
color: colorValue
```

```
background-color: colorValue
```

where,

color

Property to set the foreground color of text in an element.

colorValue

colorValue can take up any value from the CSS color table.

background-color

Property to set the background color of text in an element.

Setting Color Properties 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Colors.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```

Setting Color Properties 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Cars { background-color: rgb(0%,32%,100%); color: #ffffff }  
2 Price { color: yellow; }
```

where,

```
Cars { background-color:rgb(0%,32%,100%);color:  
#ffffff }
```

Causes the text enclosed in Cars element to be displayed in white color with a background color of blue.

```
Price{color:yellow;}
```

Causes the text enclosed in Price element to be displayed in yellow color.

Output

BMW M3 Metallic Silver 40,000 Liverpool

Font Properties

Property Name	Description
font-family	To specify the font family
font-size	To specify the size of font
font-style	To specify the style of font
font-weight	To specify the weight of font

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Font-family Property 1-2

Syntax

```
font-family : "font-family name(s)"
```

where,

font-family

Property to specify the font-family to be used.

font-family name(s)

Comma separated list of font-family names such as serif, san-serif, monospace, cursive, and fantasy. The list should start with the most specific font in which you want to display the data and end with the most generic font.

Code Snippet

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2 <?xml-stylesheet href="FontFamily.css" type="text/css"?>
3 <Cars>
4   <Vehicle>
5     <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6     <Model>M3</Model>
7     <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8     <Price>40,000</Price>
9     <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10  </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```



Font-family Property 2-2

Style Sheet

```
1 Cars { font-family: "arial, times, serif" }
```

Output

BMW M3 Metallic Silver 40,000 Liverpool



Font-size Property 1-3

Syntax

```
font-size : "xx-small | x-small | small | medium | large | x-large | xx-large"
```

where,

font-size

Property to specify the size of font.

xx-small | x-small | small | medium | large | x-large | xx-large

One of various values that can be assigned to the property font-size.

Font-size Property 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="FontSize.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```



Font-size Property 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Cars { font-size: medium }
```

where,

```
Cars { font-size: medium }
```

All the text enclosed in Cars element and its child elements will be displayed with medium font size.

Output

BMW M3 Metallic Silver 40,000 Liverpool



Font Style and Weight Properties 1-3

Syntax

```
font-style: normal | oblique | italic
```

```
font-weight: light | normal | bold
```

where,

font-style

Property to specify the style of text in an element.

normal|oblique|italic

One of the values that can be assigned to font- style property.

font-weight

Property to specify the weight style of the text in an element.

light | normal | bold

One of the values that can be assigned to font- weight property.

Font Style and Weight Properties 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="FontStyle.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```



Font Style and Weight Properties 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Manufacturer { font-weight: bold }  
2 Location { font-style: italic }
```

where,

`Manufacturer { font-weight: bold }`

The text enclosed in `Manufacturer` element will be displayed in bold.

`Location {font-style: italic}`

The text enclosed in `Location` element will be displayed in italics.

Output

BMW M3 Metallic Silver 40,000 *Liverpool*



Margins in CSS 1-3

Syntax

```
margin-left | margin-right | margin-top | margin-bottom =  
marginValue
```

where,

margin-left | margin-right | margin-top | margin-bottom

The various margin properties to set left, right, top and bottom margins.

marginValue

The value to be assigned to one of the margin properties. This value can be a fixed value or a percentage.

Margins in CSS 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Margin.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```

Margins in CSS 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Manufacturer { margin-left: 20; margin-right: 50; }  
2 Manufacturer { background-color: aqua }  
3 Vehicle { background-color: orange }
```

where,

Manufacturer {margin-left:20;margin-right:50;}

Inserts a space of 20 pixels to the left and a space of 50 pixels to the right of text enclosed in element Manufacturer.

Manufacturer {background-color: aqua}

Sets the background of text enclosed in element Manufacturer to aqua.

Vehicle {background-color: orange}

Sets the background of text enclosed in element Vehicle to orange.

Output

BMW

M3 Metallic Silver 40,000 Liverpool



Border Properties in CSS 1-3

Syntax

```
border : border_width border_style border_color
```

where,

border: Property to set the border of the box surrounding an element's data.

border_width: Specifies the thickness of the border.

Possible values are thin, medium and thick.

border_style: Specifies the style of the border. Possible values are solid, dashed, dotted, groove, ridge, double, inset, outset.

border_color: Specifies the color of the border. All values that are applicable to CSS color property are allowed.

Border Properties in CSS 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Border.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```

Border Properties in CSS 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Manufacturer {border: thick dashed magenta }
2 Model { border: thick solid olive }
3 Color { border: thick groove aqua }
4 Price { border: thick inset gray }
```

where,

Manufacturer {border: thick dashed magenta }

Displays a thick and dashed magenta border around the content of Manufacturer element.

Model { border: thick solid olive }

Displays a thick and solid olive border around the content of Model element.

Color {border: thick groove aqua}

Displays a thick and groove aqua border around the content of Color element.

Price {border: thick inset gray}

Displays a thick and inset gray border around the content of Price element.

Output



Liverpool

Padding Properties in CSS 1-2

Syntax

```
padding : padding_width
```

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Padding.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```

Padding Properties in CSS 2-2

Style Sheet

```
1 Manufacturer {border: thick dashed magenta }
2 Model { border: thick solid olive }
3 Color { border: thick groove aqua }
4 Price { border: thick inset gray }
5 Manufacturer { padding: 2 }
6 Model { padding: 2 5 }
7 Color { padding: 2 5 8 }
8 Price { padding: 2 5 8 10 }
```

where,

Manufacturer { padding: 2 }

Inserts padding of 2 pixels between the four borders and text of Manufacturer element. The four borders applicable are top, right, bottom, and left.

Model { padding: 2 5 }

Inserts padding between the borders and text of Model element. The value 2 is applied to top and bottom borders and 5 is applied to left and right borders.

Color { padding: 2 5 8 }

Inserts padding between the borders and text of Color element. The value 2 is applied to top border, 5 to left and right borders, and value 8 to bottom border.

Price { padding: 2 5 8 10 }

Inserts padding between the borders and text of Price element. The value 2 is applied to top border, 5 to right border, 8 to bottom border, and 10 to left border.

Output





CSS Units

Unit Type	Unit Designator
Relative	em – defines the height of element's font. ex – defines the x-height of element's font. px – defines the pixel relative to display device. % - percentage.
Absolute	in – inches cm – centimeters mm – millimeters pt – 1/72 inch pc – 12 pt



Position Properties

Property	Description	Possible Values
<code>position</code>	Property to place an element in a static, relative, absolute or fixed position	<code>static</code> , <code>fixed</code> , <code>relative</code> or <code>absolute</code>
<code>top</code>	Property specifying how far the top edge of an element is above/below the top edge of the parent element	<code>auto</code> , integer or floating point values adhering to CSS length units
<code>left</code>	Property specifying how far the left edge of an element is to the right/left of the left edge of the parent element	<code>auto</code> , integer or floating point values adhering to CSS length units
<code>bottom</code>	Property specifying how far the bottom edge of an element is above/below the bottom edge of the parent element	<code>auto</code> , integer or floating point values adhering to CSS length units
<code>right</code>	Property specifying how far the right edge of an element is to the left/right of the right edge of the parent element	<code>auto</code> , integer or floating point values adhering to CSS length units

Position Properties Example 1-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Position.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11 </Cars>
```




Position Properties Example 2-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Location { position: relative; top: 20; left: 20 }  
2 Price { position: absolute; top: 40; left: 20 }
```

where,

Location {position:relative;top:20;left:20}

Positions the text of Location element relative to the previous element.

However, inside the box, the content is placed at 20 pixels from top and 20 pixels from left.

Price {position:absolute;top:40;left:20}

Positions the text of Price element at an absolute location of 40 pixels from the top and 20 pixels from the left.



Position Properties Example 3-3

Output

BMW M3 Metallic Silver

40,000

Liverpool

where,

40,000

Text displayed using absolute positioning

Liverpool

Text displayed using relative positioning



Display Property 1-3

Syntax

```
display : value
```

```
where value = none | inline | block
```

where,

display

Property to specify how the element is to be rendered.

none

No rendering is applied to the element.

inline

Displays the element text as in line. This is the default value if no value is specified.

Block

Displays the element text on a new line in a block of its own.

Display Property 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Display.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11   <Vehicle>
12     <Manufacturer>TOYOTA</Manufacturer>
13     <Model>INNOVA</Model>
14     <Color>Gray</Color>
15     <Price>38,000</Price>
16     <Location>California</Location>
17   </Vehicle>
18 </Cars>
```

Display Property 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Price { display: block }
```

where,

```
Price { display: block }
```

Inserts a new line before and after the text of element Price.

Output

```
BMW
M3 Metallic Silver
40,000
Liverpool
TOYOTA
INNOVA Gray
38,000
California
```



Text Alignment and Indentation 1-3

Syntax

```
text-align : alignment_value
```

```
text-indent : value
```

where,

text-align

Property to align the text in a block.

alignment_value

Can be one of the following: left(default), right, center and justify.

text-indent

Property to indent the text in a block.

value

Floating point value followed by absolute units designators or relative units designators; or an integer value followed by percentage (%) symbol.

Text Alignment and Indentation 2-3

Code Snippet

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <?xml-stylesheet href="Align.css" type="text/css"?>
3  <Cars>
4    <Vehicle>
5      <Manufacturer>BMW</Manufacturer>
6      <Model>M3</Model>
7      <Color>Metallic Silver</Color>
8      <Price>40,000</Price>
9      <Location>Liverpool</Location>
10   </Vehicle>
11   <Vehicle>
12     <Manufacturer>TOYOTA</Manufacturer>
13     <Model>INNOVA</Model>
14     <Color>Gray</Color>
15     <Price>38,000</Price>
16     <Location>California</Location>
17   </Vehicle>
18 </Cars>
```

Text Alignment and Indentation 3-3

Style Sheet

```
1 Price { display: block }
2 Price { text-align: left }
3 Price { text-indent: 20 } 
```

where,

```
Price {display: block}
```

Inserts a new line before and after the text of element Price and displays the text in a separate block.

```
Price {text-align: left}
```

Left aligns the text of Price element.

```
Price {text-indent: 20}
```

Indents the text of Price element at 20 pixels.

Output

BMW M3 Metallic Silver

40,000

Liverpool TOYOTA INNOVA Gray

38,000

California

where,

```
40,000
```

The text in element Price is display on a separate row and left indented at 20 pixels.



Lesson 4 - Inheritance and Cascades in CSS

In this last lesson, **Inheritance and Cascades in CSS**, you will learn to:

- Define the process of cascading.
- Explain inheritance.



Cascading in CSS

- All declarations that apply to an element and property are grouped.
- Declarations are sorted by weight and origin.
- Declarations are sorted by specificity of selector.
- Declarations are sorted by the order specified.



Inheritance in CSS 1-2

- Inheritance is the ability of one entity to acquire the characteristics of another entity.
- In CSS, the child elements inherit the styles rules defined for parent element.
- However, this is applicable only if the child has no explicit style rule defined for it.
- Otherwise, the style rule defined for child element overrides the style rule defined for parent element.



Inheritance in CSS 2-2

XML Document

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<?xml-stylesheet href="CD.css" type="text/css"?>
<CD>
  <Audio>
    <Name>2007 Hits</Name>
  </Audio>
</CD>
```

Style Sheet

```
CD { font-style: italic }
```

Output

2007 Hits



Summary

- **Style Sheets**

- Style Sheets are a set of rules that define the appearance of data.
- These rules are written in a file with the extension `.css`.
- The `.css` file is associated with an XML document using the `xml-processing` instruction.

- **Selectors in CSS**

- Selectors define the elements to which the styles will be applied.
- The various types of selectors are simple, universal and ID selectors.

- **Properties and Values**

- CSS provides several properties to define the appearance of data.
- Some of these properties are color, background-color, position, padding, font, text-align to name a few.

- **Inheritance and Cascades in CSS**

- In CSS, a child element inherits the styles rules applied to its ancestor element.
- Also there are several sources of style sheets, hence CSS follows W3C defined cascading order when applying style rules to elements.