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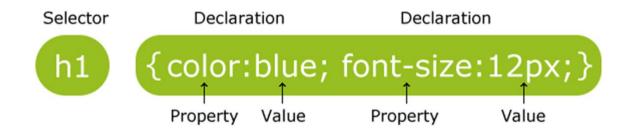
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Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)

- CSS are a way to control the look and feel of your HTML documents in an organized and efficient manner.
- CSS defines HOW HTML elements are to be displayed.
- Development of large web sites, where fonts and color information were added to every single page, became a long and expensive process.
- To solve this problem, the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) created CSS.
- In HTML 4.0, all formatting could be removed from the HTML document, and stored in a separate CSS file.
- Styles are normally saved in external .css files. External style sheets enable you to change the appearance and layout of all the pages in a Web site, just by editing one single file!

CSS Parts

 A CSS rule has two main parts: a selector, and one or more declarations:



- The selector is normally the HTML element you want to style.
- Each declaration consists of a property and a value.
- The property is the style attribute you want to change. Each property has a value.
- A CSS declaration always ends with a semicolon, and declaration groups are surrounded by curly brackets.

Comments

Comments are ignored by browsers.

```
/*This is a comment*/
p
{
  text-align:center;
  /*This is another comment*/
  color:black;
  font-family:arial;
  }
```

CSS Demo

```
<html>
<head>
<style type="text/css">
body
{ background-color:#d0e4fe; }
h1
{ color:orange;
  text-align:center; }
   font-family: "Times New Roman";
   font-size:20px; }
</style> </head>
```

```
<body>
<h1>CSS example!</h1>
This is a paragraph.
</body>
</html>
```

Three Ways to Insert CSS

- External style sheet
- Internal style sheet
- Inline style

External Style Sheet

• An external style sheet is ideal when the style is applied to many pages. With an external style sheet, you can change the look of an entire Web site by changing one file. Each page must link to the style sheet using the link > tag.

An external style sheet can be written in any text editor. The file should not contain
any html tags. Your style sheet should be saved with a .css extension.

```
hr{color:sienna;}
p {margin-left:20px;}
body {background-image:url("images/back40.gif");}
```

• Note: Do not leave spaces between the property value and the units! "margin-left:20 px"

Internal Style Sheet

 An internal style sheet should be used when a single document has a unique style. You define internal styles in the head section of an HTML page, by using the <style> tag, like this:

Inline Styles

- An inline style loses many of the advantages of style sheets by mixing content with presentation.
- To use inline styles you use the style attribute in the relevant tag. The style attribute can contain any CSS property.

```
This is a
paragraph.
```

Multiple Style Sheets

- If some properties have been set for the same selector in different style sheets, the values will be inherited from the more specific style sheet.
- For example, properties for the h3 selector:

External style sheet h3 { color:red; text-align:left; font-size:8pt; }

```
Internal style sheet
h3
{
text-align:right;
font-size:20pt;
}
```

```
internal style sheet
also links to the
external style sheet
as final:
color:red;
text-align:right;
font-size:20pt;
```

Cascading Order

- Browser default
- External style sheet
- Internal style sheet (in the head section)
- 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 defined inside the <head> tag, or in an external style sheet, or in a browser (a default value).
- **Note:** If the link to the external style sheet is placed after the internal style sheet in HTML <head>, the external style sheet will override the internal style sheet!

The id Selector

```
<html>
                        Hello World!
<head>
                        This paragraph is not affected by the
<style type="text/css">
                          style.
#para1
                         The id selector uses the
                          id attribute of the HTML element, and
{ text-align:center;
                          is defined with a "#". The style rule
  color:red; }
                          below will be applied to the element
#para2
                          with id="para2" 
{ text-align:right;
                        </body>
  color:blue; }
                        </html>
</style> </head>
```

The class Selector

- It is used to specify a style for a group of elements.
- It uses the HTML class attribute, and is defined with a "."
- **Eg:** .center {text-align:center;}
- You can also specify that only specific HTML elements should be affected by a class.
- **Eg**: p.center {text-align:center;}

```
<html>
<head>
<style type="text/css">
.redcenter
{ text-align:center;
  color:red; }
</style></head>
<body>
<h1 class="redcenter">Center-
 aligned heading</h1>
Center-
 aligned paragraph. 
</body></html>
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```

CSS - Background Properties

- CSS background properties are used to define the background effects of an element.
- CSS properties used for background effects:
 - > background-color
 - ➤ background-image
 - ➤ background-repeat
 - ➤ background-attachment
 - > background-position

background-color

- body {background-color:#b0c4de;}
- p {background-color:#e0ffff;}
- div {background-color:#b0c4de;}
- h4 { background-color: white; }
- ul { background-color: rgb(149, 206, 145); }

background-image

- By default, the image is repeated so it covers the entire element body {background-image:url("paper.gif");}
- You can have a background image repeat vertically (y-axis), horizontally (x-axis), in both directions, or in neither direction.

```
p { background-image: url("smallPic.jpg");
    background-repeat: repeat; }
h4 { background-image: url("../smallPic.jpg");
    background-repeat: repeat-y;}
ol { background-image: url("../image/smallPic.jpg");
    background-repeat: repeat-x;}
ul { background-image: url("c:/IWP/image/smallPic.jpg");
    background-repeat: no-repeat;}
```

Background-attachment

 You may choose to have your background scroll naturally, or to have it in a fixed position.

```
    body {
        background-image: url(smallPic.jpg);
        background-attachment: fixed; }
    body {
        background-image: url(smallPic.jpg);
        background-attachment: scroll; }
```

background-position

- If you would like to define where exactly an image appears within an HTML element, you may use CSS's background-position.
- Three different ways of defining position:
 - length, percentages, and keywords.

```
    p { background-image: url(smallPic.jpg);
background-position: 20px 10px; }
    h4 { background-image: url(smallPic.jpg);
background-position: 30% 30%; }
    ol { background-image: url(smallPic.jpg);
background-position: top center; }
```

• The location of the image will be (A)px from the left of the screen and (B)px from the top of the screen.

Background - Shorthand property

- To shorten the code, it is also possible to specify all the properties in one single property. This is called a shorthand property.
 - body {background:#ffffff url("img_tree.png") no-repeat right top;}
- When using the shorthand property the order of the property values are:
 - background-color
 - background-image
 - background-repeat
 - background-attachment
 - background-position
- It does not matter if one of the property values is missing, as long as the ones that are present are in this order.

CSS – Text Properties

Text Color

The color property is used to set the color of the text.

```
body{color:blue;}
h1{color:#00ff00;}
h2 {color:rgb(255,0,0);}
```

Text Alignment

- The text-align property is used to set the horizontal alignment of a text.
- Text can be centered, or aligned to the left or right, or justified.
- When text-align is set to "justify", each line is stretched so that every line has equal width, and the left and right margins are straight (like in magazines and newspapers).

```
h1 {text-align:center;}
p.main {text-align:justify;}
```

Text Decoration

 The text-decoration property is used to set or remove decorations from text.

```
h1 {text-decoration:overline;}
h2 {text-decoration:line-through;}
h3 {text-decoration:underline;}
h4 {text-decoration:blink;}
a {text-decoration:none;} → remove underlines from links
```

 Note: The "blink" value is not supported in IE, Chrome, or Safari.

Text Transformation

It can be used to turn everything into uppercase or lowercase letters, or capitalize the first letter of each word.

p {text-transform:uppercase; } → lowercase or capitalize

Text Indentation

It is used to specify the indentation of the first line of a text.

```
p {text-indent:50px;}
```

Word Spacing

It is used to specify the exact value of the spacing between your words.

```
p { word-spacing: 10px; }
```

Letter Spacing

It is used to specify the exact value of the spacing between your letters.

```
p { letter-spacing: 3px; }
```

Line Height

The line-height property is used to specify the space between lines: p {line-height:1.8}

Text direction

The direction property is used to change the text direction of an element:

```
p {direction:rtl;}
```

Font Properties

Order must be: style, variant weight, size, line height, font family(s) p{font:font-style font-variant font-weight font-size font-family}

Font Family

- If the name of a font family is more than one word, it must be in quotation marks, like font-family: "Times New Roman".
- More than one font family is specified in a comma-separated list:

```
p{font-family:"Times New Roman";}
```

Font Style

- This property has three values:
 - normal The text is shown normally
 - italic The text is shown in italics
 - oblique The text is "leaning" (oblique is very similar to italic, but less supported)

```
p{font-style:normal;}
```

Font Size - sets the size of the text.

```
p {font-size:14px;}
p {font-size:0.875em;} /* 14px/16=0.875em */
p { font-size: 20%; }
```

The default text size in browsers is 16px. So, the default size of 1em is 16px.

Font Color

```
h4 { color: red; }
```

Font Weight

- If you want to control the weight of your font (its thickness), using font weight is the best way to go about it.
- You only use font-weight in multiples of 100 (e.g. 200, 300, etc). The values range from 100 (thin)-900 (thick).

```
p { font-weight: 100; }
ul{ font-weight: bolder; }
```

Available key terms for font-weight: bold or bolder, lighter and normal.

Font Variant - allows you to convert your font to all small caps to upper case with small size font.

```
p { font-variant: small-caps; }
p { font-variant: normal; }
```

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