

Web Development

COMP 431 / COMP 531

Cascading Style Sheets

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Recap

• HTML

Forms

JavaScript

- Homework Assignment I (Simple Page)
 - Now past due
 - Two html files in the hwl-simple directory

CSS Events JavaScript HTML5

Homework Assignment 2
(Dynamic Page)
Due Thursday 1/28

Homework Assignment 4
(JavaScript Game)

Due Thursday 2/18

Demo javascript calculation in debugger

- Create a page with internal javascript
- Open file in debugger and debug

Cached scripts

Styling HTML

- We already have and
- What about changing the text color?
- Background color?
- Style of a table? E.g., border and spacing

Styling HTML <img src="../../RiceLogo.jpg" width="200px"

```
<font color="red">A &lt;font&gt; tag can be
used to change the "font" of some text.</font> This
<em>still
works because browsers are backwards
compatible and are forgiving. We can even change
<font size="3" face="verdana">the font face</font>
or <font size="1"> even the size</font>.
But the <em>control</em> over these styles
is made difficult because we have to search
the DOM for the tags and then modify them.
```

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Drive for Style

- We're constructing a web application
- Separation of content from presentation
- We want consistency between pages
- Our own "look" and "feel"
- Color scheme
- · FONT SELECTION
- Background images or watermarks
- Ease of change
- Accessibility



Cascading Style Sheets

- Separation of style (presentation) and content
 - For example, switching between desktop and mobile
- Parallel development with content stubs
 - Styling and Control (i.e., JavaScript) can then be developed in parallel
- Reuse of style sheets
 - Style once present everywhere
- "Cascading" meaning one follows another.
 - There's an order of importance in style annotations
- Users can selectively turn styles off or turn others on.

Some CSS history



- Aug 1996 JavaScript Style Sheets (JSSS) from Netscape
- Dec 1996 CSS level I [basic concepts and implementation]
- Nov 1997 CSS2
- Mid-1998 CSS3 begins specification
- Mar 2000 IE5 first fully-compliant CSSI browser

CSS3 is split into modules for independent improvement and implementation

CSS3

Taxonomy & Status (October 2014)

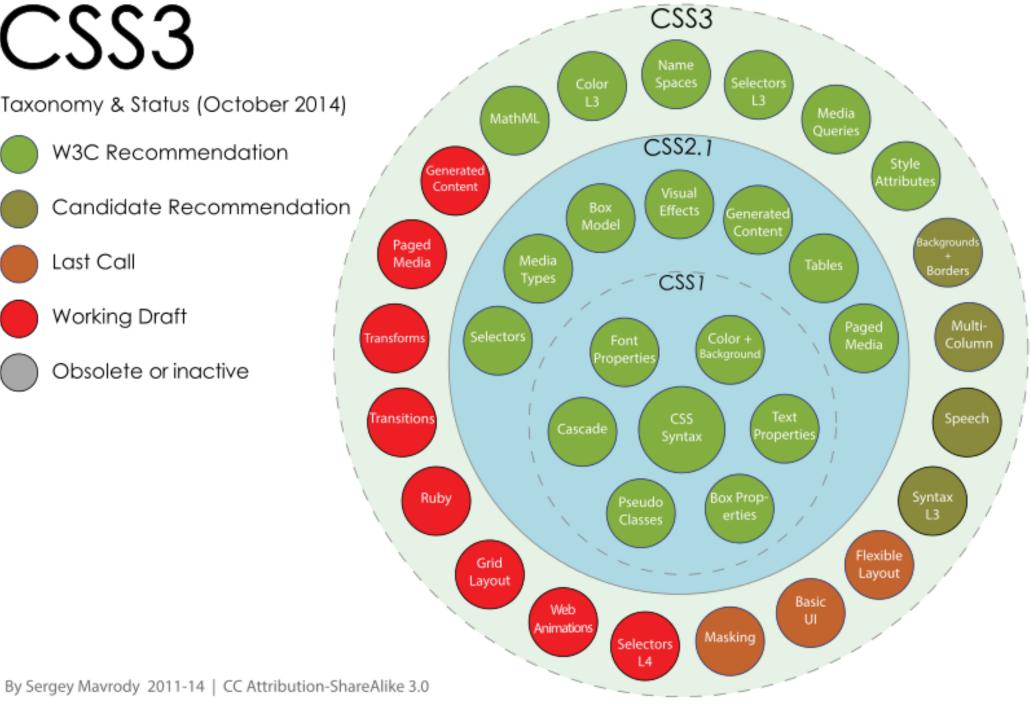
W3C Recommendation

Candidate Recommendation

Last Call

Working Draft

Obsolete or inactive



Where does CSS go?

• Style can be inline

```
<span style="font-family: verdata; font-size: 14pt">the font face</span>
```

• Style can be defined internally

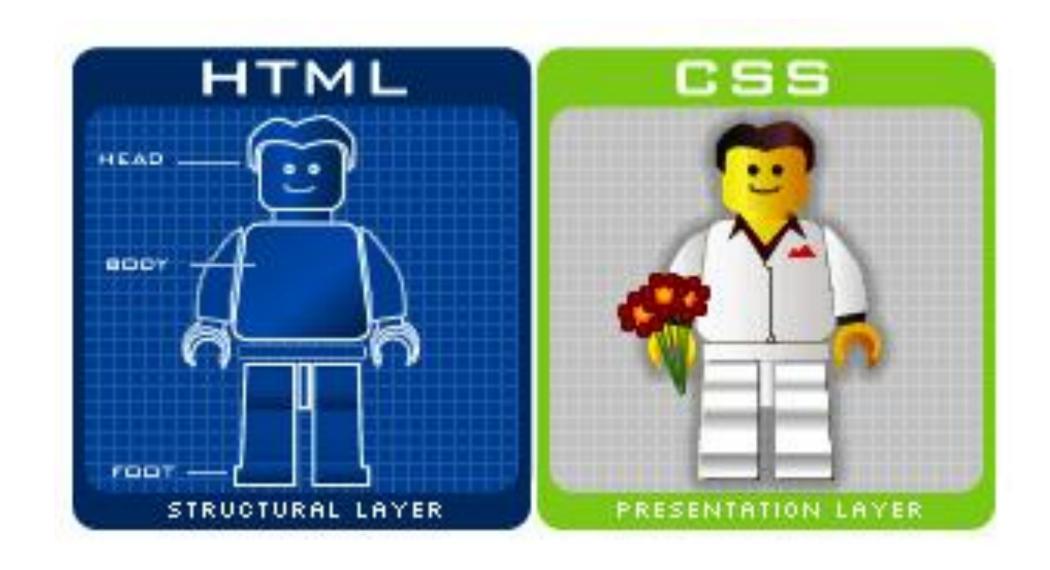
```
<style>
#red {
    color: red;
}
```

• Style can be defined externally

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="mystyles.css">
```

We can use all of the above simultaneously.

But the last is best.



Colors

- <style>
 #red {
 color: red;
 }
- Change foreground (i.e., text) or background color
- Specify by

```
name, #ff55aa, rgb(255,156,0), rgba(0,10,55,0.5)
hsl(25,80%,15%) hsla(25,80%,15%,0.5)
```

http://www.w3schools.com/cssref/css_colornames.asp

http://www.w3schools.com/tags/ref_colorpicker.asp

Dev Tools

Live Editing

ctrl+shift+C select an element to inspect

```
Elements Network Sources Timeline »
▼ <html>
                                       Computed Event Listeners »
 <head>...</head>
                                element.style {
 ▼ <body>
                                   color: _rgb(255, 156, 0);
     <h2>With CSS</h2>
   ▶ ...
   ▼ >
       <span style="color:</pre>
       red">name</span>
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       #ff55aa">#ff55aa</sp
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       span>
```

Font "Face"

- font-family
 - Comma separated list
 - Browser picks the font depending on system availability

- Google Fonts
 - Visual selection of various fonts.
 - Create a special "collection" of fonts for your site

```
<link href='https://fonts.googleapis.com/css?family=Roboto'
rel='stylesheet' type='text/css'>
```

```
font-family: 'Roboto', sans-serif;
```

Decoration and Spacing

```
font-weight bold
```

```
font-style italic
```

text-decoration strike-through underline

```
<span style="text-decoration: overline">overlined text</s
<span style="text-decoration: underline">is better than u

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span style="letter-spacing: 1em">we control the horizont
<span style="word-spacing: 1.5em">Lorem ipsum dolor sit a
elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolor

<span style="line-height: 3em">We control the vertical!
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overlined text is better than underlined text

:"letter-spacing: 1em"

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Size units Absolute

Relative

font-size: 10<?> width: 500<?>

Unit	Description
cm	centimeters
mm	millimeters
in	inches (1in = 96px = 2.54cm)
px *	pixels (1px = 1/96th of 1in)
pt	points (1pt = 1/72 of 1in)
рс	picas (1pc = 12 pt)

Unit	Description
em	Relative to the font-size of the element (2em means 2 times the size of the current font)
ex	Relative to the x-height of the current font (rarely used)
ch	Relative to width of the "0" (zero)
rem	Relative to font-size of the root element
vw	Relative to 1% of the width of the viewport
vh	Relative to 1% of the height of the viewport
vmin	Relative to 1% of viewport's smaller dimension
vmax	Relative to 1% of viewport's larger dimension
%	

^{*} px are viewing device relative.

Use "em" whenever possible

	body { font-size: 100%; }	body { font-size: 120%; }
font-size: 1em	The quick brown fox	The quick brown
font-size: 12pt	The quick brown fox	The quick brown fox
font-size: 16px	The quick brown fox	The quick brown fox
font-size: 100% The quick brown fox		The quick brown
		© KyleSchaeffer.com

Box Model

```
32
margin
   border
      padding 16
        374.094 × 212
                        16 8
                              32
               16
               8
               32
```

Styles Computed Event Listeners DOM Breakpoir

```
Show inherited properties
 border-bottom-color: ☐rgb(0, 0, 255);
 border-bottom-style: solid;
 border-bottom-width: 8px;
 border-image-outset: 0px;
 border-image-repeat: stretch;
 border-image-slice: 100%;
 border-image-source: none;
 border-image-width: 1;
 border-top-color: ☐rgb(0, 0, 255);
  border-top-style: solid;
  border-top-width: 8px;
  display: block;
  float: right;
  height: 212px;
  margin-bottom: 32px;
  margin-left: 32px;
  margin-right: 32px;
  margin-top: 32px;
  padding-bottom: 16px;
  padding-left: 16px;
  padding-right: 16px;
  padding-top: 16px;
  width: 374.09375px;
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Not so nice I think

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Resize the screen. Absolute moves

<img style="height: 5em;
position:absolute; left: 8em; top: 60em"</pre>

top/bottom, left/right

Scroll around, fixed stays fixed

```
<div style="position:fixed; left: 50%; top: 50%">
    <img style="height: 5em; position:relative; left: -2.5em"</pre>
</div>
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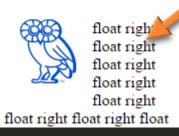


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position:absolute; left: 8em; top: 60em"</pre>
```

Recall: Inline vs Block

- We markup to control layout. Sometimes we want "blocks" of content that are positioned separately from other blocks.
- Other times we want inline layout or styling

Inline Slock

We can control using display

Display

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              src="Rice Owl small.jpg">
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CONTAINER <DIV> ... </DIV>

Content before the float will appear here.

Left Floating Element <div style="float: left"> Content after both floats will appear here. It flows around the floating elements. Right Floating Element <div style="float: right;">

We clear the floats here. <div style="clear: both;">

Content after the clear will appear here.

More more more !!!

- Text-align: (left|center|right|justify)
- Vertical-align: (baseline|sub|super|top|texttop|middle|...)
- Text-shadow: 0.1em 0.1em #ff0022;
- Max-width / min-width / maxheight / min-height
- Border-radius
- outline
- Box-shadow

- Overflow: (visible|hidden|scroll|auto|inherit)
- Positioning z-index
- Cursor: (crosshair|default|pointer|...)
- Transition
- Transform
- Opacity
- Filter
- gradients

Non-inline CSS: Selectors

```
/* CSS Comment */
selector {
    key: value;
}
```

- No nesting
- Selectors are "rules"

```
div > tr.fancy #rule
```

Selector Rules (the easy ones)

```
body {
             background-color: #FFFFFF;
• Tag
         .linkInverted {
             color: #FFFF00;
• Class
• Id
         #riceLogo {
             width: 6em;
             margin-top:-1em;
             margin-bottom:-1em;
```

Attribute

```
[name="fancy"] {
    font-size: 2em;
}
```

Selector Rules (some combinators)

- div, p
 - Select all <div> and all

- div p
 - Select all directly within a <div>
- div > p
 - Select all with an eventual parent of <div>

(slightly edited)

cross-browser example from w3schools

```
ul {
                                ul {
    list-style-type: none;
                                   list-style-image: url('sqpurple.gif');
    padding: 0px;
    margin: 0px;
ul li:hover {
    background-color: #444444;
ul li {
    background-image: url(sqpurple.gif);
    background-repeat: no-repeat;
    background-position: 0px center;
    padding-left: 15px;
```

```
Coffee
Coca Cola
```

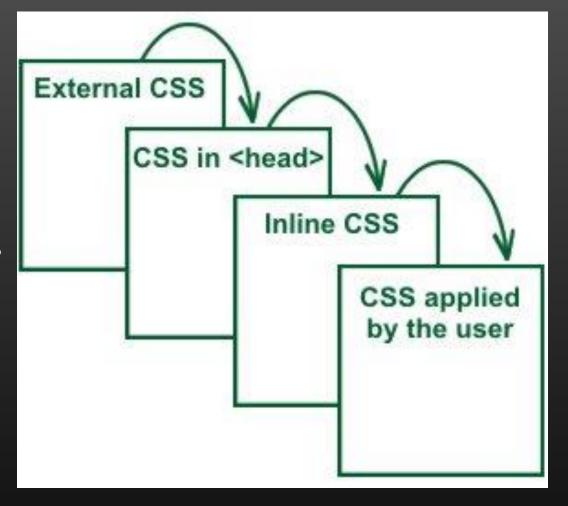
:hover is a "state selector" :active, :focus, :link, :visited,

... spaces matter in selectors

- div.myclass#myid
 - Selects <div class="myclass" id="myid">
- div .myclass #myid
 - Selects some element with id="myid" that is contained within an element with class="myclass" that is contained within a <div>. E.g.,

Cascading

- Style sheets cascade
- Externally imported or linked sheets
 - In order
- Followed by internal styles
- Then inline
- Finally overrides in the browser



 Not everything cascades. E.g., border doesn't. border: inherit

Style Cascade Order (in reverse)

Priority	CSS Source Type	Description
1	Importance	The '!important' annotation overwrites the previous priority types
2	Inline	A style applied to an HTML element via HTML 'style' attribute
3	Media Type	A property definition applies to all media types, unless a media specific CSS defined
4	User defined	Most browsers have the accessibility feature: a user defined CSS
5	Selector specificity	A specific contextual selector (#heading p) overwrites generic definition
6	Rule order	Last rule declaration has a higher priority
7	Parent inheritance	If a property is not specified, it is inherited from a parent element
8	CSS property definition in HTML document	CSS rule or CSS inline style overwrites a default browser value
9	Browser default	The lowest priority: browser default value is determined by W3C initial value specifications

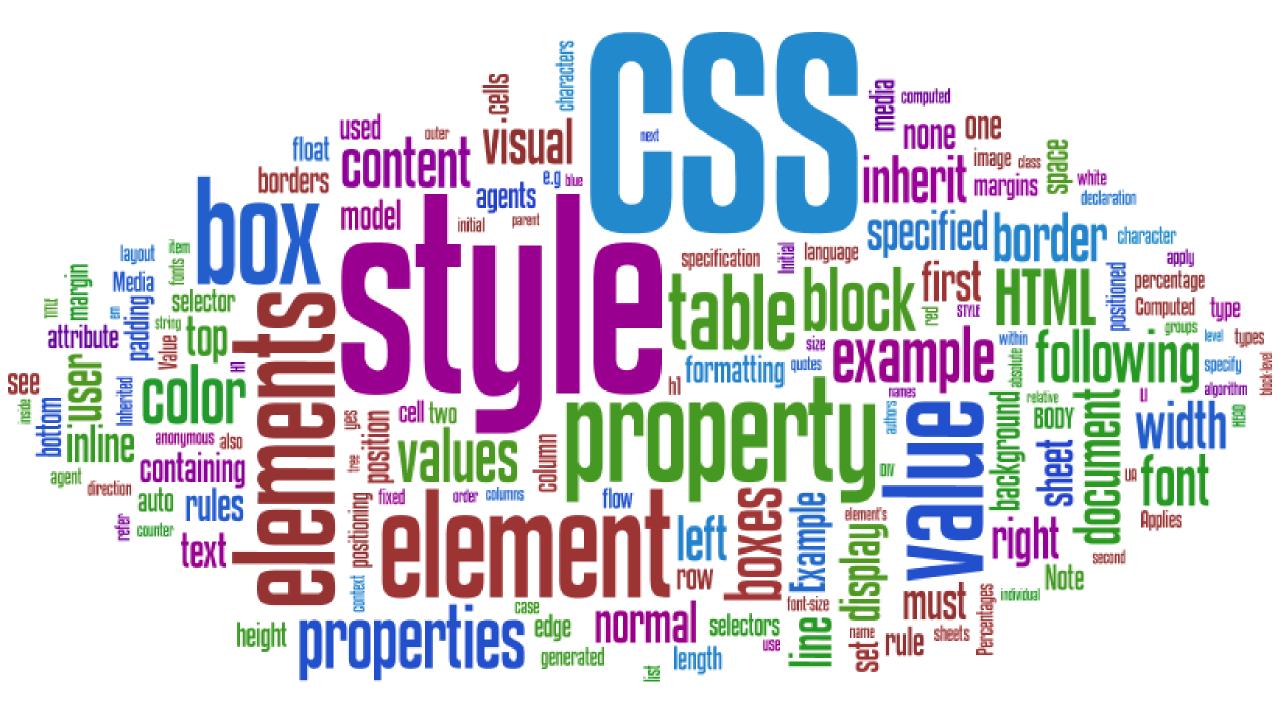
Style Computation by Specificity

(style attribute),(id),(attributes+class),(element)

```
{} /* specificity = 0,0,0,0 */
li
              \{\} /* specificity = 0,0,0,1 */
li:first-line {} /* specificity = 0,0,0,2 */
             {} /* specificity = 0,0,0,2 */
ul li
             \{\}\ /* \ specificity = 0,0,0,3 */
ul ol+li
h1 + *[rel=up]{} /* specificity = 0,0,1,1 */
ul ol li.red {} /* specificity = 0,0,1,3 */
li.red.level \{\} /* specificity = 0,0,2,1 */
           {} /* specificity = 0,1,0,0 */
#x34y
                  /* specificity = 1,0,0,0 */
style=""
```

Something to consider: Desktop vs Mobile

- Different sized viewports
- Text flow
- Layout
- Scaling and zooming



References

• w3schools

• CSS Zen garden

• CSS-tricks (Chris Coyler)

https://www.clear.rice.edu/comp43 | /sample/hello-styled.html https://www.clear.rice.edu/comp43 | /sample/main.html

In-Class Exercise: CSS

Start with main.html

- 1. Add your choice of styling to the cards/posts, background, etc
- 2. When the user enters their username and presses "login"
 - I. "login" changes to "logout"
 - 2. The username input becomes hidden
 - 3. The hidden "share" text field and button become visible
- 3. When a user presses "logout" the reverse happens
- 4. Add styling to the "share" text field and "post" button
- 5. Add a "navigation" area fixed to the top of the screen the area contains the site name, username, and log(in|out) button