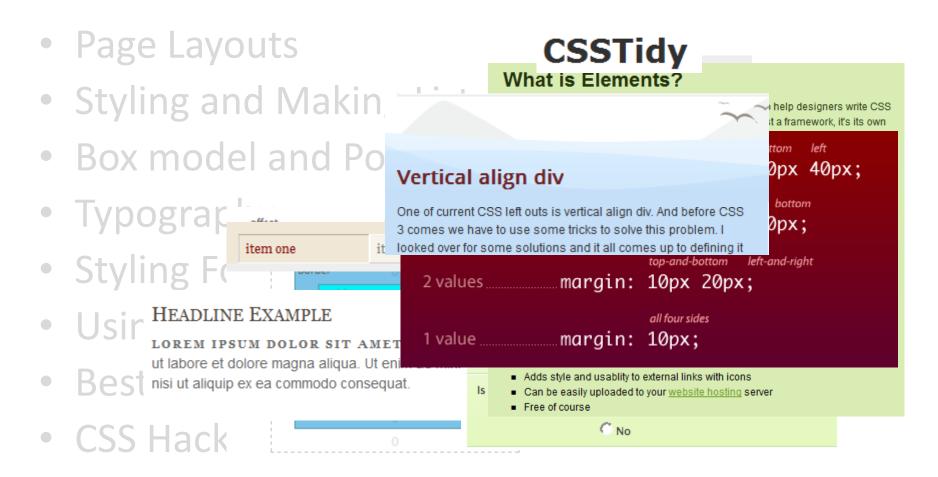
Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)

What Web Designers Need to Know About CSS



Early HTML version 3.2 example

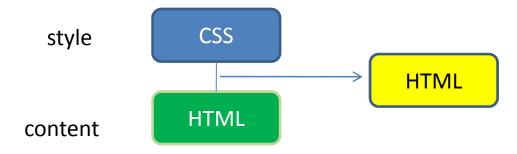
```
<font face="Arial, sans-serif" size=2 color=blue>
  Chapter One </font>
<font face="Times Roman, serif" size=1</p>
  color=black> The mean mode or ... </font>
<i>This text is emphasized. </i>
   <i><font color=red> This is emphasized in
  red.</font></i>
  <i><i><font color=blue> Some blue . </font></i>
                            content
      presentation
```

HTML version 3.2 issues

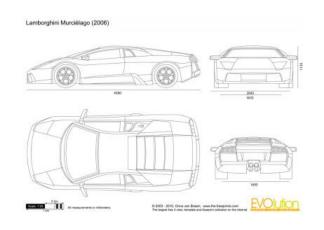
- A problem with early HTML web pages (prior to CSS) is that the content and its presentation are closely integrated
- The meaning of content and how that content is presented should be separated. Why?
- The "user agent" receiving the HTML may be a desktop browser, a printer, a PDA, a cell-phone, or a tablet – the HTML intended for display to the browser may not be acceptable on the printer or other devices
- Also, you may want to see the web page using your own preferred presentation style as defined in the browser
- The process of updating the appearance of the content should be simple and efficient

Style Sheets

- With HTML v4 (published 1998) a new approach to web page definition was developed using style sheets
- A style sheet is a set of defined presentation instructions that is separate from the content
- The concept of style sheets had been around since SGML days (1980s)



Style and Content Together







The creator of CSS came from the land that gave the world ...



Origin of CSS

- W3C has produced three style recommendations CSS1, CSS2, and CSS3 – each level builds on the previous version - http://www.w3.org/TR/CSS21/
- Not all browsers implement these changes consistently
 - http://tools.css3.info/selectors-test/test.html
- Early browsers (MS Internet Explorer 3 and 4) did not fully support CSS
- As of July 2010, no browser has yet fully implemented CSS3 – some more than others
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison of layout engines (CSS)

Evolution of CSS Features from W3C

downloadable fonts **functions** relative positioning z-index voice absolute positioning text shadow colour by **HSL** notation margin padding media types font properties multicursors column border images layout aural style background text colour sheets 2d and list table 3d text spacing transform CSS 1 (1996) CSS 2 (1998) CSS 3 (201?)

Why CSS?

- CSS skills are essential for web page design
- HTML skill allows you to understand how to structure the HTML content but not how to present it effectively
- Easily change the presentation of an entire web site by modifying a single CSS style sheet
- CSS skills vital in web projects
- Use a CSS validator to check your CSS is correct
- If there is a problem with your CSS, usually there are no error messages – check with Firebug on Firefox or Internet Tools on IE (ver 8)

What is CSS?

- Like HTML CSS is simple human-readable text
- CSS is not a programming language like Java or PHP
- CSS is not the same as HTML CSS cannot be present without HTML or XSL
- CSS will help simplify your web content presentation and make it more manageable
- CSS will also work with XSL, another web technology

CSS Style Attribute and Tag

the selector is usually an HTML tag name

The final; is optional.

CSS Style Layout

CSS definitions are written free format

```
<style type="text/css">
                                                      The closing brace
                { color: blue;
                                                      can go anywhere
                                                      and each declaration
          h2
                   color: green;
                                                      can be on a
                                                      separate line.
                                                      Optimizing the CSS
                                                      for human
         h3
                     color: red;
                                                      readability
                   text-weight: normal;
                                                      is desired.
                          The order of the CSS properties listed
   </style>
                          in the style does not matter to the user agent.
                          If properties are duplicated in the same style,
                          the last one defined is used.
```

CSS Properties

- Properties are relevant to the selector
- Properties and values are case insensitive but standard is to use lowercase
- Some of the CSS property names are not consistent unfortunately: e.g. color:blue
 not text-color:blue
 or text:blue
- Examples of CSS property names: background, border, margin, padding, font-size, fontfamily, word-spacing, visibility
- Not every property works consistently for each browser! Test for each browser and version.

CSS Values

- Values can be numbers, strings, keywords, lengths, colour values, urls or percentages
- For numbers, only decimal values
- Strings, use double or single quotes
- For keywords (e.g. auto, none or any of the known colour names), do not use quotes (e.g. color: "red" is illegal; color: red is legal)
- A zero length value does not require a length identifier (e.g. CSS style margin:0)
- Colour values can be a keyword or RGB notation (or HLS notation for CSS 3 browsers)

CSS Strings

- A string can be written with double quotes or single quotes (no mixing though)
- A double quotes can appear inside a double quoted string but the double quotes is escaped by preceding it with a backslash. Similarly for single quotes

```
"here is my 'string' "
"this is another \"string\""
'another "string" '
'yet another \'string\' '
```

Colour keywords

 colour keywords: aqua, black, blue, fuchsia, gray, green, lime, maroon, navy, olive, orange, purple, red, silver, teal, white, and yellow.



RR GG BB

is the format for mixing red/green/blue. If the two hexadecimal digits of the colour are the same, then you can specify the one digit. e.g. white is #fff or #ffffff alternative RGB formats: rgb(255, 255,255) or rgb(100%, 100%, 100%) = white

http://www.w3.org/TR/SVG/types.html#ColorKeywords

HLS Notation

- CSS 3 introduced the HLS colour notation
- H = hue L = lightness S = saturation
- RGB colour notation is hardware-oriented (based on CRT monitors)
- RGB is not intuitive beyond the basic colours
- Hue is the angle of the colour circle
- 0% lightness is black; 100% lightness is white
- 100% is full saturation; 0% saturation is grey

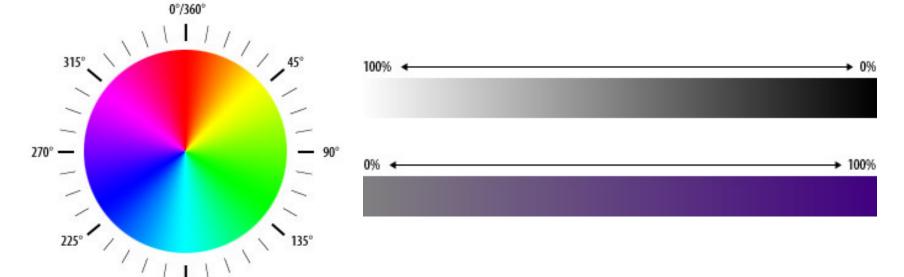
HLS Notation

Examples,

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```
b { color: hsl(0, 100%, 50%) } /* red */
p { color: hsl(120, 100%, 50%) } /* green */
div { color: hsl(240, 100%, 50%) } /* blue */
```



Transparency – Alpha channel

 Another CSS 3 technique used by FF3+, Opera, Chrome, Safari) is using the alpha channel in RGB or HSL

```
background-color: rgba(100, 155, 164, 0.4);
/* alpha=0.4*/
background-color: hsla(200, 40%, 20%, 0.4);
```

Using this method the settings do not affect child elements as opacity property does.

Vendor-specific extensions

- Identifiers may start with a hyphen (-) or underscore (_) ... they are reserved for vendor-specific extensions
- E.g. –moz-box-sizing for Mozilla browsers
 - -ms-, mso- for Microsoft browsers
 - -moz for Mozilla
 - -o- for Opera
 - -rim- for Research in Motion
 - -webkit- for Apple

CSS Values - Examples

```
<style type="text/css">
                               CSS colour keyword
  p { background-color: gray;
       background-position: 40% 50%; CSS percentages
       background-size: 10em 10em; ← CSS lengths
       background-image: url(blue.png); ← CSS URL
       background-repeat: round round;
       border-style: solid; css keywords
       border-color: #FF30A0; ← Colour in RGB format
       width: 50px;
                                      ← CSS length
       font-family: 'Courier New Times'; ← css string
```

CSS errors

If the CSS property is unknown, the user agent ignores it

```
h1 { color: blue; angle: 30deg; } is treated as h1 { color: blue; }
```

- If the CSS declaration uses an illegal value, the user agent ignores it img { float: left here } is ignored
- If the CSS declaration is malformed, the user agent tries to work around it p { color: blue; color } uses p { color: blue }

Lengths

- Fonts scaled using the font-size property
- Two types of length units: relative and absolute
 - Relative lengths units specify a length relative to another length property – also called 'elastic' or 'fluid'
 - More easily scaled from one display device to another
 - em the 'font-size' of the relevant font
 - ex the 'x-height' of the relevant font (rarely used)
 - px pixels, relative to the viewing device

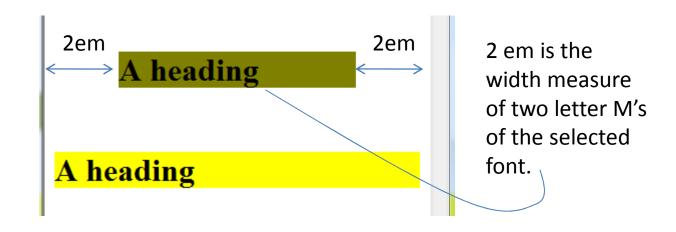
Lengths

- Absolute lengths units are useful only when the physical properties of the output device (e.g. printer) are known – do not use for video display
 - in inches
 - cm centimeters
 - mm millimeters

- 1em = 12pt = 16px = 100% (generally by default unless you change the working font)
- pt points 72 points equal one inch only for print
- pc picas 1 pica equals 12 points—only for print

Lengths CSS

<h1 style="margin:2em;"> defines a
 margin space around the h1 heading. The
 space is twice the length of the font's lower case m as a heading.



CSS Lengths - Example

 Define four boxes in CSS – each with a different margin: 1em, 2em, 10px, and 40 px

```
<style type="text/css">
  .box1 { margin:1em;
         background-color:yellow;
  .box2 { margin:2em;
         background-color:red;
  .box3 { margin: 10px;
         background-color:green;
  .box4 { margin: 40px;
         background-color:orange;
</style>
</head>
<body style="border:solid 1px black">
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
```

CSS Lengths - Example

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

Repeat above with Arial font 24px font size.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The yellow and red boxes have different margin widths because the font used has a different "m" width.

But the green and orange boxes use the same margin widths because the CSS style used is "px" = pixel.

- A font is a typeface used to display text
- A font is an operating system resource, not a browser resource
- CSS recognizes five generic font families: serif, sansserif, monospace, cursive, and fantasy
- Monospace is a fixed size font; serif and sans-serif are typically proportionally spaced fonts
 Proportional
 Monospace
- Serif fonts have flared or tapered ends to the letters; sans-serif fonts do not.

AaBbCc AaBbCc AaBbCc

- Serif family of fonts include: Times New Roman, Century Schoolbook and Garamond
 - -Most widely used of the font families for print books, magazines
 - But sans-serif considered easier to read on computer screens

http://www.w3.org/TR/CSS2/fonts.html#q1

- Sans-serif font family includes: Arial and Verdana
 - Much easier to read on monitors as the "serifs" can blur on lower resolution screens
 - Verdana was invented for use on the web
- Monospace: Courier New, Lucida, Consolas
 - Also called "fixed pitched" fonts because all characters have the same width
 - Use for showing programming code or implying typewritten text
 - Before CSS this was required for text alignment in table format especially for columns of dollar amounts (decimal point alignment)
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samples of Monospaced typefaces

- Limit usage of fantasy and cursive fonts as they are not widely available and can be hard to read – especially for non-English speakers
 - If you must use them, keep text very short
- Cursive e.g. Comic Sans, Wivaldi
- Fantasy e.g. COPPERPLATE, IMPACT

- When specifying the font family, list your preference first, and the most generic last
- If the font name has multiple words, put it in double quotes, or in single quotes if using the style attribute

```
p { font-family: "Courier New", Courier, monospace }
h1 { font-family: Verdana, Geneva, Arial, sans-serif }
h2 { font-family: "Courier New", Courier, monospace }
h3 { font-family: "Times New Roman", Times, serif }
```

- font-weight sets the level of 'thickness' of the characters in text
 - Default is normal (or use number 400)
 - bold, bolder, lighter same as values 700, 800 and 300
- font-style indicates the style
 - Default is normal
 - italic, oblique
- font-size sets the size of the font
 - Can use a length value (e.g. 12px or 1.2em or 120%)

CSS Fonts Example

```
<style type="text/css">
        { font-family: "Times New Roman", Times, serif;
            font-weight: 800;
            font-style: oblique;
            font-size: 18px;
 </style>
</head>
<body>
This is regular text.
This text will appear larger and bolder than normal.
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                                            Test
                                           This is regular text.
                                            This text will appear larger and bolder than normal.
```

CSS Text Properties

- line-height refers to amount of space between lines of text
- text-decoration can be set to normal, underline, line-through, or none
- text-transform can be none, capitalize, uppercase or lowercase
- text-align can be left, right, center, justify
- text-indent is amount of indented space

Three paragraph examples

```
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"Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipisicing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis aute irure dolor in reprehenderit in voluptate velit esse cillum dolore eu fugiat nulla pariatur. Excepteur sint occaecat cupidatat non proident, sunt in culpa qui officia deserunt mollit anim id est laborum."

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Fonts and the Web

- Can a custom font be used in a web page?
- CSS level 2 introduced the @font-face property to allow the HTML to access different fonts
- Extra time needed to download the font file
- Font technologies: Embedded OpenType (EOT) – only Microsoft IE 4+, sIFR (Scalable Inman Flash Replacement), Font Linking
 - See http://www.fontembedding.com/
 - http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/cssFontDownloadTest.html

CSS Property Shortcut

- For defining background, border, font, margin, or padding properties, there is a shortcut to collapse all the sub-properties into one.
- Order of the values does not matter

```
style="font-weight: bold; font-family:
    Verdana, sans-serif; font-size: 2em;
    line-height: 1.2em;"
```

can be collapsed into this CSS shortcut:

```
style="font:bold 2em/1.2em Verdana,sans-
serif; "
```

CSS Property Shortcut

Another example:

```
style="padding-top:5px; padding-
right:10px; padding-bottom:8px; padding-
left:12px;"
```

```
style = "padding: 5px 10px 8px 12px;"
```

The order is: TRBL (clockwise from noon) - or TRouBLe

```
style = "padding: 5px 10px;" means 5px for
top and bottom; 10px for left and right
```

```
style = "padding: 5px;" means 5px all around
```

Opacity

- Visual elements on a web page can be made transparent with the CSS opacity property
- Non- IE browsers:

```
opacity: 1.0; /* opaque */
opacity: 0.7;
opacity: 0.5;
opacity: 0.2;
opacity: 0.0; /* transparent */
```

Opacity

• IE browsers (IE v6-8) use the filter property if the element uses the hasLayout property (e.g. table, img, input, button, textarea)

filter: alpha(opacity=40);

For IE 8 use the –ms-filter property:

```
-ms-filter:
```

"progid:DXImageTransform.Microsoft.Alpha (opacity=40)";

To work in all IE versions, define the filter property after the —ms-filter property.

URL value

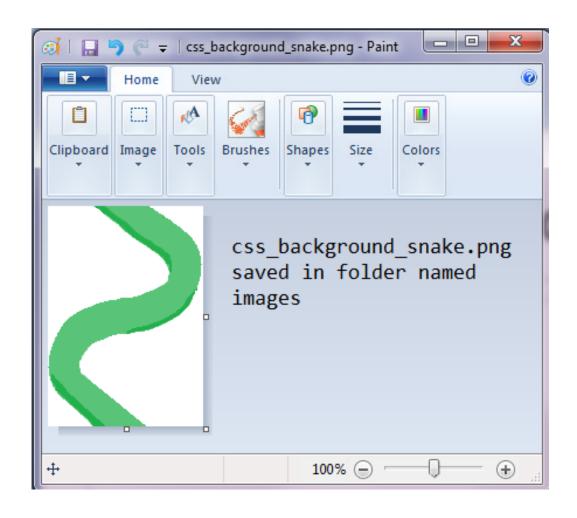
- URLs to image files are values to CSS properties – use the *url* CSS function
- URL may be single-quoted or double-quoted or not quoted

```
body { background:
   url("http://www.example.com/forest.jpg") }
li { list-style:
   url(http://www.example.com/redBullet.png) }
```

Background Properties

- color sets the text colour
- background-color can be transparent or a colour value
- background-image can be none or a URL value
- background-attachment can be scroll or fixed
- background-repeat can be no-repeat, repeat, repeat-x, repeat-y
- background-position can be a length, top, center, bottom, left, or right

CSS Background - Image



CSS Background - Style

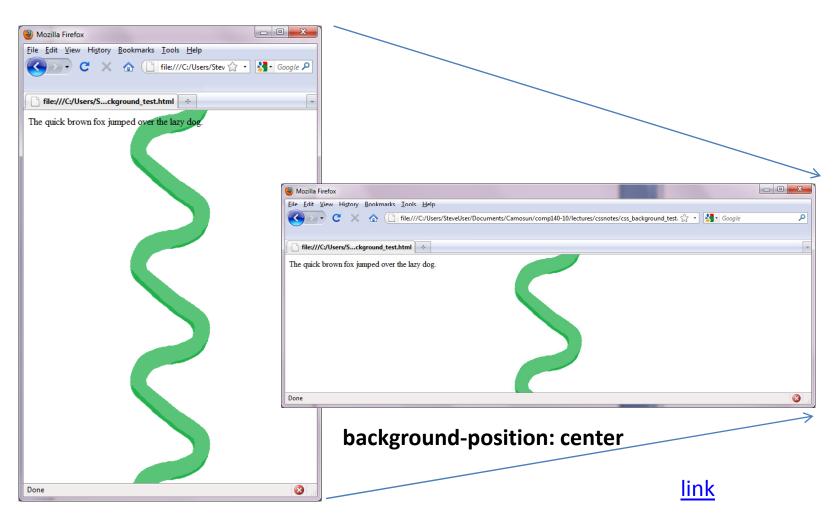
1 <html> 2 <style> 3 body { background: white url(../../images/css_background_snake.png); 4 background-repeat: repeat-y; 5 background-position: center; Repeat image along the Y-axis (vertical). 6 } 7 </style> 8 <body> 9 The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

White background with image as the background.

12 </body>
13 </html>

10

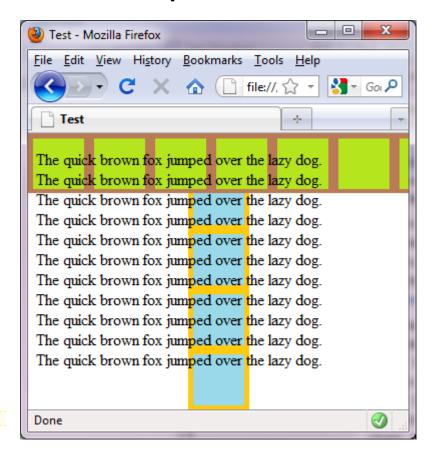
CSS Background - Resize Window



CSS Background – repeat x, y

Does not work on any IE version prior to v9

```
<style type="text/css">
            background-image: url(../../images/greenbox.png),
                               url(../../images/bluebox.png);
             background-repeat: repeat-x,
                                repeat-y;
             background-position: top left,
                                  center;
</style>
</head>
<body>
>
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
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The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. <br />
</body>
</html>
```



Style Attribute example

Example of CSS – the style attribute is used

This blue header

First paragraph

This red header

Second paragraph

Style Element example

Use of the style element in an HTML document

```
<style type="text/css">
   h1 { color: blue; }
   h2 { color: red; }
   p { font-family: Arial, Helvetica; }
</style>
```

- Defines style for the tags for this HTML document only
- When two or more separate style elements are defined in the same HTML document, they are all merged together as one element – but when properties conflict – those defined later will override the earlier ones

CSS Media types

- CSS can support different output depending on the "user agent" (e.g. browser, print, tv, braille, handheld, aural)
- Style sheet definition in the <link> tag
 - - k rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" media="print, handheld" href="print.css">
- Or in the style sheet
 - @import url("loudvoice.css") aural
 - @media print { ... styles for print }

CSS Levels of Style

- CSS has three levels of style
 - Inline style
 - Defines the style just for the one occurrence of that element
 - Style attribute is used within the HTML element
 - Embedded style (also called Internal style)
 - Defines a set of tag styles for just the HTML document
 - Style tag is used
 - External style (also called Linked style)
 - Defines a set of tag styles to be used for multiple HTML documents

Inline Style

- The style attribute within the element defines the desired presentation appearance
- CSS inline style is used when a specific instance of an element in the HTML requires a unique format

```
<h1 style="color:blue">Blue heading </h1>
<h1> No style heading</h1>
<h1> No style heading</h1>
<h1 style="color:red">Red heading </h1>
</h1>
Style applies only to this text
Style applies only to this text
```

Embedded Style

- Styles for the HTML file's tags are defined within the HTML file inside the <head> section
- The styles are for that HTML document only
- The CSS styles are enclosed in the tag

External Style

 The CSS styles are defined within a separate file e.g. file site.css contains:

```
h1 { color: blue; }
```

- A link> element is used in the HTML file to indicate the name of the external CSS file
- The link> element is defined in the HTML file's head section

```
k rel="stylesheet" type="text/css"
media="screen" href="site.css">
```

CSS

 What this means is that you may define different styles for the same tag

```
1. <html>
                                                          This file
 2. <head>
 3. <title>testpage</title>
                                                          contains the
4. 4. ink rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="test.css">
5. <style type="text/css">
                                                          line:
 6.
        p {color:green;}
   </style>
 7.
                                                       p { font-style: italic; }
 8. </head>
   <body>
10.  First paragraph 
11.
    Example text.
12. <br>
                                                testpage
13. </body>
14. </html>
                                        First paragraph
      The properties are 20pt and
                                        Example text.
       font style italic and green.
```

Cascading

- "Cascading" = Cascading order
 - HTML elements may have different styles applied to them – which one is used by the browser?
 - All styles "cascade" into a single style sheet in part by the following proximity rule
 - Browser default style -- lowest priority
 - External style sheet (a .css file)
 - Embedded style sheet (inside <head> section)
 - Inline style (inside an HTML tag) highest priority
 - there are other, more CSS complicated rules

Author and User Style sheets

- Users may define their own style sheets
- Author's style sheets will override any style defined in the user's style sheet
- User's style sheet will override the default style sheet
- Internet Explorer: Tools | Options | Accessibility
- Firefox: create the text file userContent.css and save it in your Application Data folder under Firefox chrome folder

CSS Syntax

- Always use a colon to separate property and value browsers will not display error messages.
- Selectors, values, properties are case-insensitive but lowercase encouraged
- Order of properties does not matter
- Order of CSS definitions does not matter (but if you have duplicate selectors, only the last one is used)
- If the value is multiple words, use double quotes
- Multiple properties can be specified with a semicolon between them
- Do not leave a space between the value number and the units – will not work in Firefox (e.g. "10px" not "10 px"

CSS Syntax

- Separate lines for each property for readability
- Comments are enclosed using /* */

```
p { color:black;
  font-family: "Times New Roman";
  text-align: left;
  font-size: 15pt; /* test */
   /* font-style: italic; */
}

This style property is ignored by the browser.
```

CSS Selector

 A selector is the first part of the CSS style rule and it indicates what HTML is formatted.

```
h1 { color:blue; } { color:#00ffcc; } li { font-weight:bold; }
```

CSS Selector Categories

- Type Selector
- Universal Selector
- Descendant Selector
- Child Selector
- Attribute Selector
- Class Selector
- ID Selector
- Pseudo-classes
- Pseudo-elements

Type Selector; Universal Selector

 Type selector matches the name of an HTML element – every instance of that element in that document

```
h1 { font-family: Arial; } All h1 elements will use this rule.
```

 Universal selector is written as a single asterisk and matches any element in the document

```
* { font-family: Arial; } All elements will use this rule.
```

Descendant Selectors

 When a style rule needs to be applied to an element contained anywhere within another element, CSS descendant selectors are used

```
b { color: red; }
                                        Any b elements defined within
                                        an p element will use this rule.
                                        The b element is the descendant of p element.
                                              These are formatted in red
        This is <b>important</b>
        -- not this one.
        <div> This is
              <b>important</b> </div>
        <h1>This header is
          <b>not important</b>
        </h1>
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```

Child Selectors

 When a style rule is applied to an element's child, a child selector is used

```
Any b elements defined within
 p > b { color: blue; }
                                    an p element as child elements
                                    will use this rule.
                                    Here the b element is the child of p element.
                                              This text is formatted in blue
        This is <b>important</b>_
        -- not these ones.
        <div> This is
               <br/><b>important</b> </div>
        <h1>This header is
           <br/>b>not important</b>
        </h1>
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```

Attribute Selector

 Attribute selectors match when the element sets an attribute in some way

Class Selector

- In place of an existing HTML tag name, you make up your own name preceded by a period — class selector
- Any HTML elements identified by that name as its class attribute has that style

```
<br/>
class="headline" >This paragraph is blue too
```

ID Selector

 Identifies the style for a unique instance of the element defined by the ID name – ID selector

```
#menu { text-transform: uppercase;
}
```

<div id="menu"> Text will show as
uppercase. </div>

Specifying class and ID selectors

 Class and ID style rules can be further specified using a type selector as prefix

```
h1.headline { color: blue; }
h2.headline { color: green; }
h3.headline { color: red; }
div#mainpar { font: Arial; }
p#logo { font-size: 8pt; }
```

Since the ID styles are unique anyway, the type selector prefix usage for them is superfluous and can marginally degrade rendering performance in the browser.

Pseudo-classes

 Pseudo-classes are similar to classes except that they refer to CSS specific types of text e.g. :first-child matches the first child of an element div > p:first-child { margin:0; } This style rule would apply only <div class="note"> to this paragraph and not to this one. Important Not important </div>

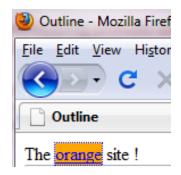
Pseudo-class Links

```
a:link { color: blue; } a link not yet clicked a:visited { color: red; } a link you clicked a:hover { color: green; } as you hover over a:active { color: black; } as you click link LVHA -- definition of CSS style order required
```

- The style text-decoration: none removes the underline on hypertext link text
- http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/CSS_ex03.html

Focus Pseudo-class

- The :focus pseudo-class matches any element having keyboard input focus (e.g. form input or a link)
- Supported in IE 8, all versions of Firefox,
 Chrome
 - a:focus { background: orange; }



Focus occurs only when user tabs to this link, not when the cursor is moved there.

Pseudo-element Selectors

• The :first-letter pseudo-element selects the first *letter* (or digit) of the first line of a text block.

```
p:first-letter { font-size: 3em; float:left; font-weight:bold; }

Mary had a little lamb...etc
Rendered in the browser as

| Mary had a little lamb, little lamb, little lamb, little lamb, little lamb, mary had a little lamb and lit
```

Group Selectors

 A group of different selectors can share the same style definition – selectors are separated by a comma

```
h1, h2, h3 { color : blue; }

p, h1, h2 { text-align: left; }

ol, ul { margin-right: 20px; }
```

Classes vs IDs

- Use classes for multiple occurrences of that style in a web page
 - Helpful mnemonic:
 - class has many students
 - ID the letter I = one
- Use ID when there is only one occurrence of that style in a web page

Selector Family Tree

- Descendant Selector (the child of the parent)
 - **div p** (**p** is the child of parent **div**)
- Grandchildren Selector
 - Use the universal selector *
 - **div** * **p** (match all **paragraphs** that are grandchildren or greater of **div** elements)
- Child Selector >
 - **body** > **p** (match only children **p** elements of **body**)
- Adjacent Sibling Selector +
 - em + p (match any p tags that follow after em element)
- Attribute Selector []
- **a**[title] (match any **a** tags having a defined title attribute)

Tags div and span

 The div element defines a block-level region which may contain text or other content

```
<div style="color:blue;">
    This is a line of blue text.
</div>
```

The span element defines an inline region
 The Delicious apple

```
iS <span style="color:red;"> red </span>.
```

Div Element

Nesting elements within a div element

CSS Rule of Proximity

- The closer style rule will be applied to text
 - Inline style overrides embedded style
 - In the case of **nested** tags (like div), the style rules of the innermost tags override the style rules of the outer tags

CSS Rule of Inheritance

- Many CSS styles are automatically passed into any child elements from the parent element.
 - font and color styles defined for a parent element will be 'inherited' by any contained child elements by default
 - When inheritance occurs, elements inherit computed values based on the parent and child

```
body { font-size: 10pt }
h1 { font-size: 120% }

<h1> Large Heading </h1>
...

</body>
The computed value of this text will be 10pt x 120% = 12pt.
```

CSS Inheritance

```
<style type="text/css">
   .parent { color: red;
           font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
           background-color: wheat;
           margin: 10px;
           padding: 15px;
           border: 1px solid black;
    .child { font-family: Times New Roman, serif;
 </style>
</head>
<body style="background-color:yellow;">
<div class="parent">
 The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
  <div class="child">
   The sixth sheik's sixth sheep's sick.
  </div>
</div>
```

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog. The sixth sheik's sixth sheep's sick.

CSS style properties color and font are inherited by the child element.

CSS styles margin, padding and border are not inherited by the child element; otherwise, it would look like this:

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The sixth sheik's sixth sheep's sick.

Done

CSS inherit value

 CSS properties not normally inherited can be made to inherit with the 'inherit' value

```
<style type="text/css">
      .parent { color: red;
              font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
              background-color: wheat;
              margin: 10px;
              padding: 15px;
              border: 1px solid black;
       .child { font-family: Times New Roman, serif;
                  margin: inherit;
                  padding: inherit; <
                  border: inherit;
                                                            The guick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
   </style>
   </head>
                                                               The sixth sheik's sixth sheep's sick.
   <body style="background-color:yellow;">
   <div class="parent">
     The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
     <div class="child">
       The sixth sheik's sixth sheep's sick.
     </div>
   </div>
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```

Image Clipping

 Images can be "clipped" in CSS but only on absolutely positioned elements

```
img { position: absolute;
    clip:rect(0 50 200 0); }
```

Clip the image start at top edge to 50 pixels to right, 200 pixels to the bottom and 0 to the left

http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/cssClipExample.html

CSS Rules

 With these rules CSS needs a formula to determine which styles to apply if a selector has a class style, an ID style and an HTML style

Style Priority

- When multiple styles can apply to content, the ID style overrides a class style, and the class style overrides an HTML style
- Style defined within the tag's style attribute overrides all others.
- This is relevant only when the same properties are defined; otherwise, the properties are all applied

CSS Rule of Specificity

- CSS has rules to determine which selector's styles will be applied to an element
- Each HTML element counts as 1, each class style counts as 10, ID styles count as 100 – highest total wins

!important rules

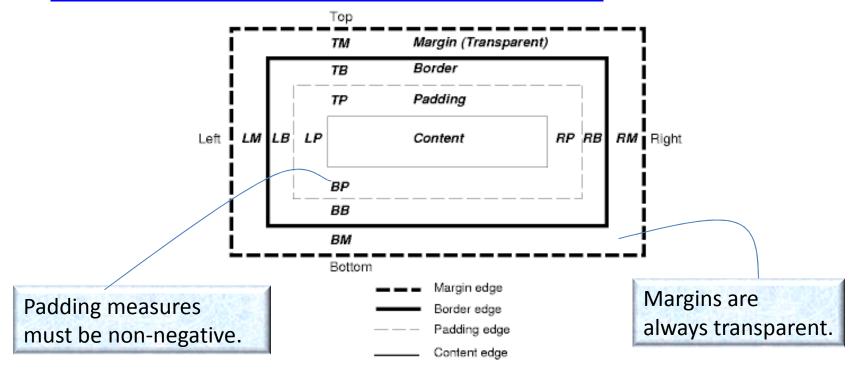
 You can override any style rule with the !important declaration

```
p { text-index: 1em !important;
    font-style: italic !important;
    font-size: 16pt !important }
```

If these style rules are defined in the user's style sheet, they will override similar style rules in the author's style sheet – even if the author used !important as well.

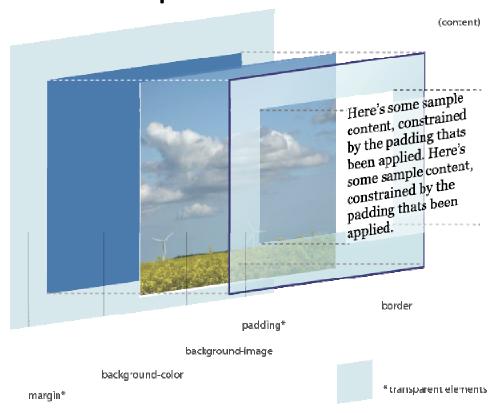
CSS Box properties

- CSS box model defines properties such as margin, padding, border, background, position
- http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/CSS ex06.html



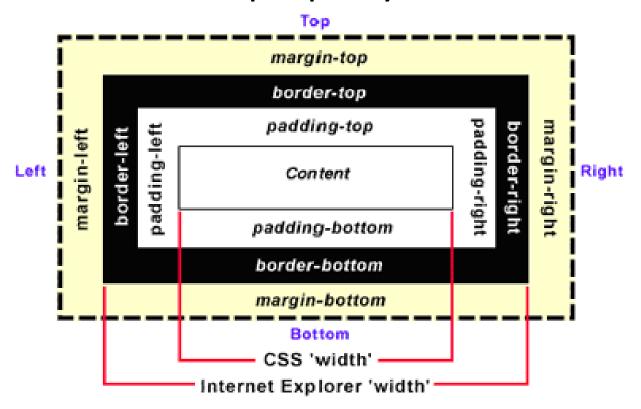
CSS Box model in 3D

Box model example



IE box model – quirks mode

 In quirks mode IE browsers understand the box model width property their own way:



IE Quirks Mode

- Prior to version 6, IE browsers used a different method for determining the width of an element's box than the method used by the W3C CSS
- Many web sites had already used the non-standard Microsoft implementation of width
- Quirks mode refers to a technique used by a browser to make an earlier, non-standard W3C web page compatible for viewing
- Any later version of IE can be "flipped" into quirks mode if the HTML has a missing Document Type Declaration (the DOCTYPE)

Quirks Mode example

In IE an incorrect or missing DOCTYPE triggers quirks mode

```
<html>
<!-- Missing a fully qualified DOCTYPE so this HTML
      will be rendered in quirks mode in IE browsers.
 -->
                                               Width test - Windows Internet Explorer
<head>
<title>Width test</title>
<style type="text/css">
                                                File Edit View
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#w1 {
       width:400px;
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        padding:30px;
        margin:0px;
        border:solid black thin;
        float:left;
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```

Standards Mode example

 IE v8 uses standard box model width if a valid DOCTYPE is defined in the HTML

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC
  "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
  "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
<head>
<title>Width test</title>
                                          Width test - Windows Internet Explorer
<style type="text/css">
#w1 {
       width:400px;
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       border:solid black thin;
       float:left;
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```

Firefox v3 example

 Firefox uses standard box model width whether the DOCTYPE is valid or not

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC
  "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
  "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
<head>
<title>Width test</title>
                                            Width test - Mozilla Firefox
<style type="text/css">
                                          File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help
#w1 {
       width:400px;
       padding:30px;
                                                                            +
       margin:0px;
                                             Width test
       border:solid black thin;
       float:left;
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```

Positional presentation

- By default CSS uses normal flow to place elements on the page
- Or, elements can be placed relative to other elements (relative positioning)
- Or, elements can be allowed to float to the edge of the page
- Or, elements can be positioned on the page with (x, y) location (absolute positioning)

Normal flow

- Any element not specifying position:absolute or position:fixed and not floated
- Block boxes flow vertically starting at the top of their containing block. Inline boxes flow horizontally from left to right.
- The vertical margins of adjoining block boxes are collapsed.

Relative positioning

 The browser first lays out the element as in normal flow, then the element is displaced by the amount specified by the left or right or top or bottom properties.

```
#content { border: 1px solid;
    position: relative;
    left: 100px;
    top: 120px;
}
Shifting the content box
to the right by 100 pixels
and down by 120 pixels.
```

CSS Position property - relative

Relative positioning shifts the referenced item

```
cstyle type="text/css">
    p.moveright {position: relative; right: -5em;}
    p.moveleft {position: relative; left: -5em;}

c/style>

c/head>
c/head>
cp> Normal paragraph.c/p>
cp class="moveright">Paragraph shifted right.c/p>
cp class="moveleft">Paragraph shifted left.c/p>
```

Fixed positioning

 Like absolute positioning but the block does not move when a web page is scrolled as other elements do

```
#content { position:fixed; }
```

 Useful for keeping key navigation controls present on screen at all times

CSS Position property - fixed

 For items that need to stay at specified coordinates regardless of scrolling (IE7 strict mode and Firefox only)

```
<style type="text/css">
    #stay { position: fixed; left:5px; right:5px; }
    </style>
    </head>
    <body>
    <div id="stay"> Fixed in window.</div>
```

Float property

 Float property is usually applied to an image to make it appear to the left or right of surrounding text. You may float block level elements only – not inline elements.

 This is

a picture of a tree. ...

Recall block level elements are images, paragraphs, divisions, and lists. Inline elements include spans and line breaks.

This is a picture of a tree. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetuer adipiscing elit, sed diam nonummy nibh euismod tincidunt ut laoreet dolore magna aliquam erat volutpat. Ut wisi enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exerci tation ullamcorper suscipit lobortis nisl ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis autem vel eum iriure dolor in



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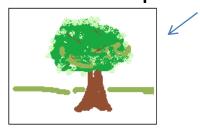
Float property

Adding in margin property

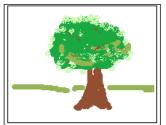
top=0 and right=0 bottom and left=10 pixels

<img style="float:right; margin: 0 0 10px 10px"
src="tree.png"> This is a picture of a tree. ...

This is a picture of a tree. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetuer adipiscing elit, sed diam nonummy nibh euismod tincidunt ut laoreet dolore magna aliquam erat volutpat. Ut wisi enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exerci tation ullamcorper suscipit lobortis nisl ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis autem vel eum iriure dolor in hendrerit in vulputate velit esse



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Adding in padding property and border

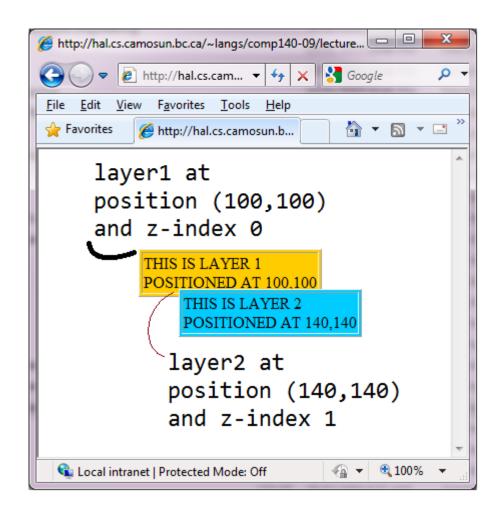
<img style="float:right; margin: 0 0 10px 10px; border: 1px solid;
padding: 2px" src="tree.png"> This is a picture of a tree. ...

CSS Position property - absolute

- Position property directs where the item is to appear on the display
- Example using absolute positioning:

```
<style type="text/css">
     #layer1 {position: absolute; left:100; top:100; z-index:0;}
    #layer2 {position: absolute; left:200; top:200; z-index:1;}
</style>
</head>
                                          The z-index property indicates
                                          the stack level for layered effects.
<body>
                                          Lower z-index values are on bottom.
<div id="layer1">
  This is layer 1 in the background<br/>or/>positioned at 100,100
</div>
<div id="layer2">
  This is layer 2 on top of layer 1<br/>br />positioned at 200,200
</div>
http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/CSS ex01.html
```

CSS Position Absolute



Clear property

 CSS property clear indicates which sides of an element other floating elements are not allowed – useful when window is resized

```
clear : right; /* no floating elements on right */
clear : left; /* no floating elements on left */
clear : both; /* no floating elements adjacent */
clear : none; /* default —
    adjacent floating elements allowed */
```

Display property

- The display property controls the type of box an element generates
- For example you may want to force some inline elements into block elements

inline-block makes the element generate a block box that is laid out as if it were an inline box. None means no display.

Lists

- Applies to the list item element for unordered and ordered lists
- list-style-type can be disc, circle, square, decimal, lower-roman, upper-roman, loweralpha, upper-alpha, none
- list-style-image can be none or a URL value
- list-style-position can be inside or outside
- http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/CSS_ex02.html

List style type

 List style types can be alphabetic, numeric, or symbols

list-style-type: none

list-style-type: disc

list-style-type: circle

list-style-type: square

list-style-type: decimal

list-style-type: lower-roman

list-style-type: upper-roman

a. list-style-type: lower-alpha

A. list-style-type: upper-alpha

Cursors

- Cursor property specifies the type of cursor to display when pointing on an element
- cursor can be default (arrow), crosshair, pointer, move, url, text, wait, help
- cursor can also be e-resize (resize left-right), n-resize (resize up-down), nw-resize, ne-resize, se-resize, sw-resize
- http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/CSS Cursors.htm

Outlines

 It may be appropriate to provide an outline surrounding a visual object like a button or an active form field to make them stand out

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC</pre>
  "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
  "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
<head>
<title>
  Outline
                                                                         Outline - Mozilla Firefox
</title>
                                                                       File Edit View History
<style type="text/css">
  input { outline: dotted thick yellow; }
                                                                          Outline
</style>
                                                                         clickme
</head>
<body>
  <form>
     <input type="submit" name="clickme" value="clickme" />
  </form>
</body>
</html>
```

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Outlines

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC
  "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
                                                                    Outline - Mozilla Firefox
  "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
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<head>
<title>
 Outline
</title>
                                                                      Outline
<style type="text/css">
  input:focus { outline: dotted thick yellow; }
                                                                      clickme
  input:active { outline: thick solid red; } ___
</style>
</head>
<body>
  <form>
     <input type="text">
     <br />
     <input type="submit" name="clickme" value="clickme" />
  </form>
</body>
</html>
```

Overflow

 When text won't fit the size of the given box, what do you want happen?

<style type="text/css"> overflow: scroll; width: 200px; height: 200px; float: left; #a2 { overflow: hidden; width: 200px; height: 200px; margin-left: 30px; display: inline-block; overflow: auto; width: 200px; height: 200px; margin-left: 30px; display: inline-block; overflow: visible; #a4 width: 200px; height: 200px; margin-top: 40px;

overflow: scroll

Our booked passenger showed in a moment that it was his name. The guard, the coachman, and the two other passengers eyed him distrustfully. 'Keep where you are,' the guard called to the voice in the mist, 'because, if I should make a mistake, it

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him distrustfully. 'Keep where

you are,' the guard called to the

never be set right in your lifetime.

Gentleman of the name of Lorry

answer straight.' 'What is the

matter?' asked the passenger,

voice in the mist, 'because, if I should make a mistake, it could

overflow: hidden

Our booked passenger showed in a moment that it was his name. The guard, the coachman, and the two other passengers eyed him distrustfully. 'Keep where you are,' the guard called to the voice in the mist, 'because, if I should make a mistake, it could never be set right in your lifetime. Gentleman of the name of Lorry

overflow: auto

Our booked passenger showed in a moment that it was his name. The guard, the coachman, and the two other passengers eyed him distrustfully. 'Keep where you are,' the guard called to the voice in the mist, 'because, if I should make a mistake, it could never be set right in your lifetime. Gentlemen of the

Hidden means any overflow is clipped.

overflow: visible

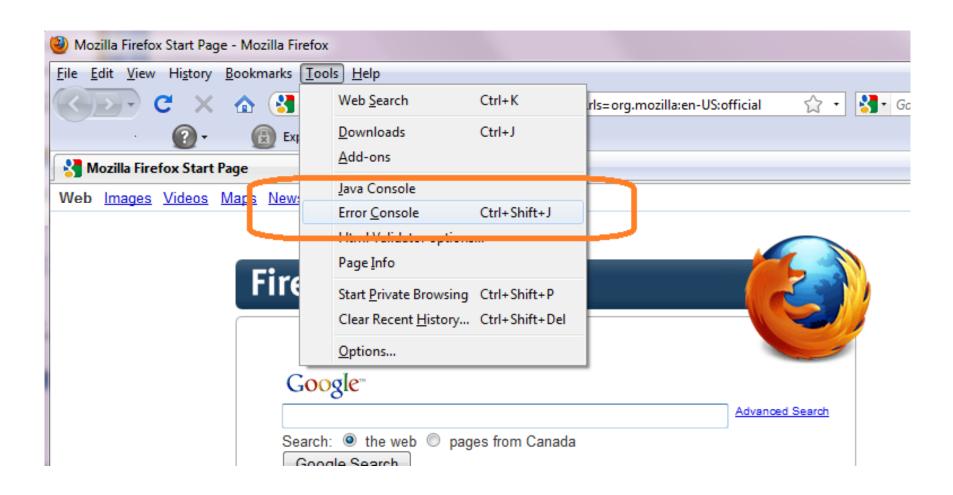
Visible is the default any overflow is not clipped.

http://www.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~langs/comp140-10/lectures/cssnotes/overflow.htm

Overflow CSS3

- overflow-x overflow-y
- Overflow-x determines clipping at the left and right edges (scrollbar is horizontal)
- Overflow-y, at top and bottom edges (scrollbar is vertical)
- CSS3 has defined an overflow-style but no browser supports this property yet

Firefox Error Console

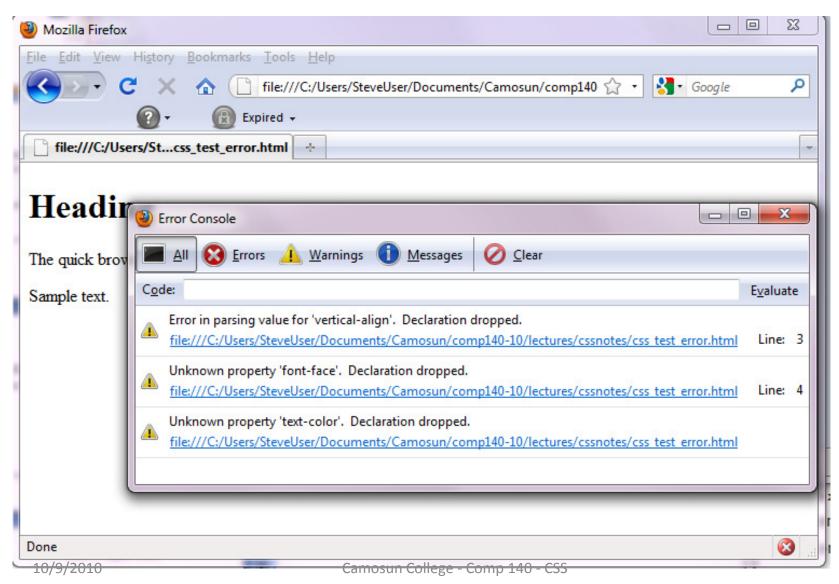


CSS Errors Example

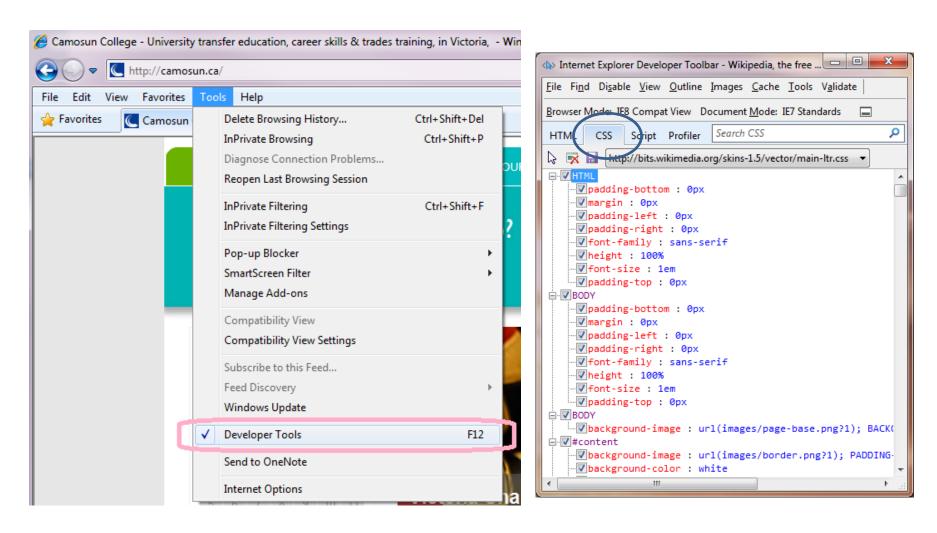
link

```
css_test_error.html - Notepad
                                      Incorrect value name, should
           Format
                          Help
     Edit
                   View
                                      be middle.
<html>
<style≥
        vertical-align:center;
font-face:"Times Roman";| }
                                            Incorrect property name, should be font.
</style>
<bodv>
                                                            Incorrect location
  <1ink href="abc.css" type="text/css">
                                                           for link element.
  <h1_style="text-color:green;">Heading</h1>
abc:"xyz;">The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.
  Sample text.
                                                       Nonzero CSS values
</bodv>
                                                       should include the
                                                       measure (e.g. em or
            Incorrect property name, should
            be color. Unknown property name abc
                                                       px)
```

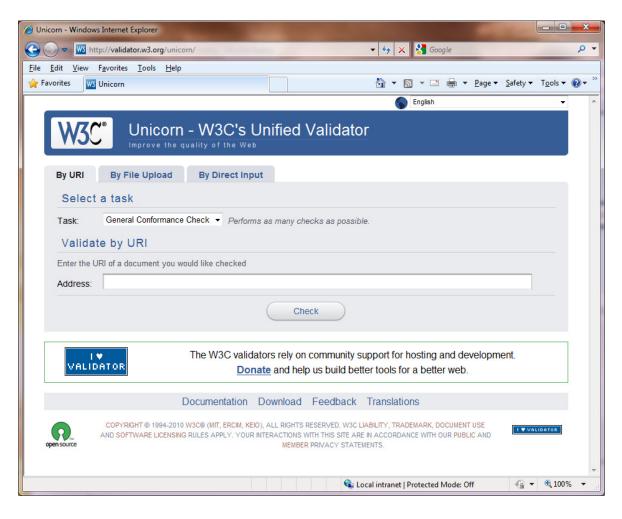
CSS Errors caught by Firefox



Microsoft Internet Explorer Developer Toolbar



W3C Unified Validator



Checks HTML, CSS, and RSS for compliance to the standard grammar rules.

Review CSS Questions

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