STYLE SHEETS CSS (Cascading Style Sheet)

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Introduction of CSS

- CSS is used to control the style of a web document in a simple and easy way.
- CSS is "Cascading Style Sheet".
- Cascading Style Sheets, fondly referred to as CSS, is a simple design language intended to simplify the process of making web pages presentable.
- CSS is easy to learn and understand but it provides powerful control over the presentation of an HTML document.
- Most commonly, CSS is combined with the markup languages HTML or XHTML.

Need for CSS (Why Use CSS?)

- CSS is used to define styles for your web pages, including the design, layout and variations in display for different devices and screen sizes.
- The style definitions are normally saved in external .css files.
- With an external style sheet file, you can change the look of an entire website by changing just one file!

CSS - Syntax

- A style rule is made of three parts
 - Selector A selector is an HTML tag at which a style will be applied. This could be any tag like <h1> or etc.
 - Property A property is a type of attribute of HTML tag. Put simply, all the HTML attributes are converted into CSS properties. They could be color, border etc.
 - Value Values are assigned to properties. For example, color property can have value either red or #F1F1F1 etc.

CSS - Syntax

You can put CSS Style Rule Syntax as follows –
 selector { property: value }

```
Selector Declaration

table { border : 1px solid #C00; }

Property Values
```

You can define a table border as follows –

```
Table { border : 1px solid #C00; }
```

CSS - Syntax

- The selector points to the HTML element you want to style.
- The declaration block contains one or more declarations separated by semicolons.
- Each declaration includes a CSS property name and a value, separated by a colon.
- A CSS declaration always ends with a semicolon, and declaration blocks are surrounded by curly braces

CSS Selectors

 CSS selectors are used to "find" (or select) HTML elements based on their element name, id, class, attribute, and more.

The element Selector:

- The element selector selects elements based on the element name.
- You can select all elements on a page like this (in this case, all elements will be center-aligned, with a red text color)

```
- P {
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
```

CSS Selectors

The id Selector :

- The id selector uses the id attribute of an HTML element to select a specific element.
- The id of an element should be unique within a page, so the id selector is used to select one unique element!
- To select an element with a specific id, write a hash (#) character, followed by the id of the element.
- The style rule below will be applied to the HTML element with id="para1":

```
- #para1 {
        text-align: center;
        color: red;
   }
```

CSS Selectors - The class Selector

- The class selector selects elements with a specific class attribute.
- To select elements with a specific class, write a period (.)
 character, followed by the name of the class.
- In the example below, all HTML elements with class="center" will be red and center-aligned:

```
.center{
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
```

CSS Selectors - The class Selector

- You can also specify that only specific HTML elements should be affected by a class.
- In the example below, only elements with class="center" will be center-aligned:

```
• p.center{
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
```

CSS Selectors - The class Selector

- HTML elements can also refer to more than one class.
- In the example below, the element will be styled according to class="center" and to class="large":

```
• p.center{
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
p.large{
    font-size: 300%;
}
```

CSS Selectors - Grouping Selectors

If you have elements with the same style definitions, like this:

```
h1{
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
h2 {
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
```

CSS Selectors - Grouping Selectors

- It will be better to group the selectors, to minimize the code.
- To group selectors, separate each selector with a comma.
- In the example below we have grouped the selectors from the code above:

```
• h1, h2, p {
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
```

Using CSS - CSS How To...

- When a browser reads a style sheet, it will format the HTML document according to the information in the style sheet.
- Three Ways to Insert CSS There are three ways of inserting a style sheet.
 - 1. External style sheet
 - 2. Internal style sheet
 - 3. Inline style

External Style Sheet

- With an external style sheet, you can change the look of an entire website by changing just one file!
- Each page must include a reference to the external style sheet file inside the <link> element. The <link> element goes inside the <head> section:
- Example
- <head>
 link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="
 mystyle.css">
 </head>

External Style Sheet

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

```
body{
    background-color: lightblue;
}

h1 {
    color: orange;
    margin-left: 20px;
}
```

Internal Style Sheet

- An internal style sheet may be used if one single page has a unique style.
- Internal styles are defined within the <style> element, inside the <head> section of an HTML page:

Inline Styles

- An inline style may be used to apply a unique style for a single element.
- To use inline styles, add the style attribute to the relevant element. The style attribute can contain any CSS property.
- The example below shows how to change the color and the left margin of a <h1> element:
- <h1 style="color:blue;margin-left:30px;">This
 is a heading.</h1>

Cascading Order

- What style will be used when there is more than one style specified for an HTML element?
- Generally speaking we can say that all the styles will "cascade" into a new "virtual" style sheet by the following rules, where number one has the highest priority:
 - 1. Inline style (inside an HTML element)
 - 2. External and internal style sheets (in the head section)
 - 3. Browser default

Multiple Style Sheets

 If some properties have been defined for the same selector (element) in different style sheets, the value from the last read style sheet will be used.

Example

Assume that an external style sheet has the following style for the <h1> element:

```
• h1{
      color: navy;
}
```

 Then, assume that an internal style sheet also has the following style for the <h1> element:

```
h1{
     color: orange;
}
```

Multiple Style Sheets

 If the internal style is defined after the link to the external style sheet, the <h1> elements will be "orange":

```
    <head>
    link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="
    mystyle.css">
        <style>
        h1 {
            color: orange;
        }
        </style>
        </head>
```

CSS Colors

- Colors in CSS are most often specified by:
 - a valid color name like "red"
 - an RGB value like "rgb(255, 0, 0)"
 - a HEX value like "#ff0000"
- Color names are case-insensitive: "Red" is the same as "red" or "RED".
- Hexadecimal Colors
- RGB values can also be specified using hexadecimal color values in the form: #RRGGBB, where RR (red), GG (green) and BB (blue) are hexadecimal values between 00 and FF (same as decimal 0-255).
- For example, #FF0000 is displayed as red, because red is set to its highest value (FF) and the others are set to the lowest value (00).
- **Note:** HEX values are case-insensitive: "#ff0000" is the same as "FF0000".

CSS Backgrounds

- The CSS background properties are used to define the background effects for elements.
- CSS background properties:
 - background-color
 - background-image
 - background-repeat
 - background-attachment
 - background-position

Background Color

- The background-color property specifies the background color of an element.
- The background color of a page is set like this:

```
body {
    background-color: lightblue;
}
```

The <h1>, , and <div> elements have different background colors:

Background Image

- The background-image property specifies an image to use as the background of an element.
- By default, the image is repeated so it covers the entire element.
- The background image for a page can be set like this:

```
body{
    background-image: url("digishala.jpg");
}
```

Background Image - Repeat Horizontally or Vertically

- Some images should be repeated only horizontally or vertically, or they will look strange,
- repeated only horizontally (background-repeat: repeat-x;),

```
body{
    background-image: url(" digishala.jpg ");
    background-repeat: repeat-x;
}
```

All CSS Background Properties

Property	Description
background	Sets all the background properties in one declaration
background-attachment	Sets whether a background image is fixed or scrolls with the rest of the page
background-color	Sets the background color of an element
background-image	Sets the background image for an element
background-position	Sets the starting position of a background image
background-repeat	Sets how a background image will be repeated

CSS Border Properties

 The CSS border properties allow you to specify the style, width, and color of an element's border.

Border Style:

- The border-style property specifies what kind of border to display.
- The following values are allowed:

Border Style

- dotted Defines a dotted border
- dashed Defines a dashed border
- solid Defines a solid border
- double Defines a double border
- groove Defines a 3D grooved border. The effect depends on the border-color value
- ridge Defines a 3D ridged border. The effect depends on the border-color value
- inset Defines a 3D inset border. The effect depends on the bordercolor value
- outset Defines a 3D outset border. The effect depends on the border-color value
- none Defines no border
- hidden Defines a hidden border

Border Width

- The border-width property specifies the width of the four borders.
- The width can be set as a specific size (in px, pt, cm, em, etc) or by using one of the three pre-defined values: thin, medium, or thick.
- The border-width property can have from one to four values (for the top border, right border, bottom border, and the left border).
- The "border-width" property does not work if it is used alone. Always specify the "border-style" property to set the borders first.

Border Width

```
p.one {
    border-style: solid;
    border-width: 5px;
  p.two {
    border-style: solid;
     border-width: medium;
  p.three {
    border-style: solid;
    border-width: 2px 10px 4px 20px;
```

Border Color

- The border-color property is used to set the color of the four borders.
- The border-color property can have from one to four values (for the top border, right border, bottom border, and the left border).
- If border-color is not set, it inherits the color of the element.

Border - Individual Sides

- It is possible to specify a different border for each side.
- In CSS, there is also properties for specifying each of the borders (top, right, bottom, and left):

```
    p {
        border-top-style: dotted;
        border-right-style: solid;
        border-bottom-style: dotted;
        border-left-style: solid;
    }
```

CSS Border

- If the border-style property has **four** values:
- border-style: dotted solid double dashed;
 - top border is dotted
 - right border is solid
 - bottom border is double
 - left border is dashed
- If the border-style property has three values:
- border-style: dotted solid double;
 - top border is dotted
 - right and left borders are solid
 - bottom border is double

CSS Border

- If the border-style property has two values:
- border-style: dotted solid;
 - top and bottom borders are dotted
 - right and left borders are solid

Rounded Borders

- The border-radius property is used to add rounded borders to an element.
- Example

```
• p {
    border: 2px solid red;
    border-radius: 5px;
}
```

CSS Layout - The position Property

- The position property specifies the type of positioning method used for an element.
- There are four different position values:
 - static
 - relative
 - fixed
 - Absolute
- Elements are then positioned using the top, bottom, left, and right properties.
- However, these properties will not work unless the position property is set first. They also work differently depending on the position value.

CSS Dropdowns

- Create a hover able dropdown with CSS.
- Basic Dropdown
 - Create a dropdown box that appears when the user moves the mouse over an element.

CSS3 Modules

- CSS3 has been split into "modules". It contains the "old CSS specification" (which has been split into smaller pieces). In addition, new modules are added.
- Some of the most important CSS3 modules are:
 - Selectors
 - Box Model
 - Backgrounds and Borders
 - Image Values and Replaced Content
 - Text Effects
 - 2D/3D Transformations
 - Animations
 - Multiple Column Layout
 - User Interface

