

# CSS, part 1

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# Welcome back!

# Week 1 Recap

- HTML provides content
- CSS provides style
- Javascript provides action

# HTML Recap

- Set of tags that enclose images, video, text, & other content
- `<header` and `<body>`
- `<div>` boxes, `<span>` around short text

# HTML Recap, 2

```
<html>  
  <head></head>  
  <body></body>  
</html>
```

# HTML Recap, 2

```
<html>
  <head></head>
  <body>
    <div class='title'>Hello</div>
    <div class='bio'>Hi, this is a little
bit about me</div>
  </body>
</html>
```

# HTML Recap, 2

```
<html>
  <head></head>
  <body>
    <div class='title'>Hello</div>
    <div class='bio'><span
class='greeting'>Hi</span>, this is a little
bit about me</div>
  </body>
</html>
```

# Questions from Week 1?

- Simulator price
- How to load files into localhost (will talk about it after class if interested)

# By the end of today

- Know how to style text & boxes using CSS
- Understand how CSS positioning works

# Today's topics

- Styling text
- Styling elements like boxes
- Positioning boxes & text
- Display & z-ordering

# What is CSS?

- **C**ascading **S**tyle **S**heets
- Cascading because multiple styles can affect one element
- Style sheets because that's how elements are styled

# CSS intro

- Where? Either in your <head>er or a separate file
- Set of *selectors* and *rules*

# First things first

- In-line: `<style>...</style>` in your `<head>`
- External file: `<link rel="stylesheet" href="yourstylesheet.css" />`
- In-element: `<div style="css-goes-here">`
- Changing in Javascript:  
`element.style.backgroundColor = '';`

# First things first

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`element.style.backgroundColor = '';`

# What's a selector?

- Referencing one or many objects in the DOM that got created from your HTML

# The 3 selectors to learn

- *#name* (selects by id)
- *.name* (selects by class)
- *tagname* (selects by tag)

# Let's start.

- Open up simplebox.html in this week's folder

# Simple.html

```
<html>
<head>
  <style></style>
</head>
<body>
  <div class='content'>
    All <a href='work.html'>work</a> and no
    <a href='play.html'>play</a> makes <span
    class='person-name'>Jack</span> a dull
    boy
  </div>
  <div class='citation'>-Author unknown</div>
```

# Playing with selectors

*selector:* **body**

*original*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

*selected*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull boy</  
div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

# Playing with selectors

*selector:* **div**

*original*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

*selected*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

# Playing with selectors

*selector:* **.content**

*original*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

*selected*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

# Playing with selectors

*selector:* **#person-name**

*original*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

*selected*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

# Playing with selectors

*selector:* **a**

*original*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

*selected*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

# Playing with selectors

*selector:* **#another**

*original*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

*selected*

```
<body>
```

```
<div class='content'>All <a  
href='work.html'>work</a> and  
no <a href='play.html'>play</  
a> makes <span id='person-  
name'>Jack</span> a dull  
boy</div>
```

```
<div class='citation'>-Author  
unknown</div>
```

```
</body>
```

# What's a rule?

- Set a property on selected elements

# What are properties?

- Visual
  - font size, font family, color, background, border, padding
- Position & Size
- Animations & Transitions

# Setting a property

```
.classname {  
  
}
```

# Setting a property

```
.classname {  
  rule:  
}
```

# Setting a property

```
.classname {  
  property: value;  
}
```

# Setting a property

```
.classname {  
  property: value;  
  prop2: differentvalue;  
}
```

# Making all links black

```
a {  
    color: black;  
}
```

styling text

# Styling fonts overview

- *picking a font*: font-family
- size: font-size
- **weight**: font-weight
- 'style': font-style
- Color: color

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

CSS

```
{{empty}}
```

result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

# Font-family

- One or more font family names, separated by a comma
- Browser will pick the first it finds on user's system
- Keywords: *serif* and *sans-serif* are last-ditch fallbacks

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

CSS

```
.text {  
  
}
```

result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Gotham, Helvetica;  
}
```

result

**The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog**

*no change; I don't have Gotham*

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Gotham, sans-serif;  
}
```

result

**The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog**

*no change; "sans-serif" defaults to Helvetica on the Mac*

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Gotham, serif;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

# A note on Web fonts

- Limited selection!

# Microsoft Core Fonts

Andale Mono

Arial

**Comic Sans MS**

Courier New

Georgia

**Impact**

Times New Roman

Trebuchet MS

Verdana



# Fonts on the iPhone

American Typewriter

American Typewriter Condensed

Arial

**Arial Rounded MT Bold**

Courier New

Georgia

Helvetica

**Marker Felt**

Times New Roman

Trebuchet MS

Verdana

*Zapfino*

# Sizing fonts

- font-size takes measurement in pixels (px), ems (em), percentages (%), or absolute measures (cm, mm, pt)

# What's an *em*?

- Relative measure: 1em = the point size of the current font
- at 16pt, 1em=16pt
- 1em = 100%
- set global (default) in px, scale using ems

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
    font-size: 4px;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the [lazy dog](#)

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
}
```

result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
    font-size: 1em;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
body { font-size: 10px; }  
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
    font-size: 1em;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the [lazy dog](#)

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
body { font-size: 10px; }  
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
    font-size: 1.6em;  
}
```

## result

**The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog**

(back where we started)

# Font weight

- font-weight takes either:
  - number b/w 100 and 900 in 100-step increments
  - normal, bold, bolder, lighter
  - in practice, either normal or bold

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
    font-weight: bold;  
}
```

result

**The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog**

# Setting font style

- font-style takes:
  - normal, oblique, italic
  - italic falls back to oblique

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    font-family: Helvetica;  
    font-style: italic;  
}
```

## result

*The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog*

# Setting color

- color takes:
  - a hexadecimal value
  - a color word
  - an `rgb()` value

# Hexawhat?

- hex runs from 00 (nothing) to FF (full)
- so, 00...33..99..AA...DD...FF
- looks like: #RRGGBB
  - #0000FF (all blue)
  - #FFFF33 (yellow)
  - #c5d5ec light blue

# Named colors

- black, blue, gray, red...
- huge list:
- [http://www.w3schools.com/HTML/html\\_colornames.asp](http://www.w3schools.com/HTML/html_colornames.asp)

# rgb()

- rgb(redval, greenval, blueval)
- Runs from 0 to 255
- rgb(0, 0, 255) all blue
- rgb(103, 233, 40) lime green
- #RRGGBB -> rgb(rv, gv, bl)

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.brown {  
    color: brown;  
}
```

## result

The quick **brown** fox jumps over the lazy dog

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.brown {  
    color: #763017;  
}
```

## result

The quick **brown** fox jumps over the lazy dog

# Aligning text

- text-align:
  - left, right, center, justify

```
<div class='text'>The <span class='emphasis'>quick</span> <span class='brown'>brown</span> fox jumps over the <a href='lazy.html'>lazy dog</a></div>
```

## CSS

```
.text {  
    text-align: right;  
}
```

## result

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

# Underlining

- text-decoration:
  - none, underline, ~~strikethrough~~

# Cascading rules

# Cascading styles

- `<span class='brown'>brown</span>` in inside the `<div class='text'>`. What happens if we already have a color defined?

# Overridden styles

```
.text {  
  color: gold;  
}
```

```
.brown {  
  color: brown;  
}
```

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

# Cascade

- elements inherit from their parents
- specific styles on an element override anything on their parent

# Same rule, Same Element, Different places

- If same style for same element is defined in multiple places:
  - First check styles in the HTML for that element (<div style=...)
  - Then check CSS in <style> tags and loaded <link>ed stylesheets in reverse order

# Example

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="quickbrown.css"
type="text/css" media="screen" title="no
title" charset="utf-8">
<style>
    .brown {
        color: yellow;
    }
</style>
```

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

even though stylesheet specifies .brown  
{ color:brown;}, <style> takes precedence

# !important

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="quickbrown.css"
type="text/css" media="screen" title="no
title" charset="utf-8">
<style>
    .brown { color: green !important }
    .brown {
        color: yellow;
    }
</style>
```

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

an !important declaration will jump out of the cascade to the top

# Example

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="quickbrown.css"
type="text/css" media="screen" title="no
title" charset="utf-8">
```

```
<style>
```

```
  .brown {
    color: yellow;
  }
```

```
</style>
```

```
...
```

```
<span style="color:lightblue"
class='brown'>brown</span>
```

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

Style defined on the element takes precedence

# Firebug

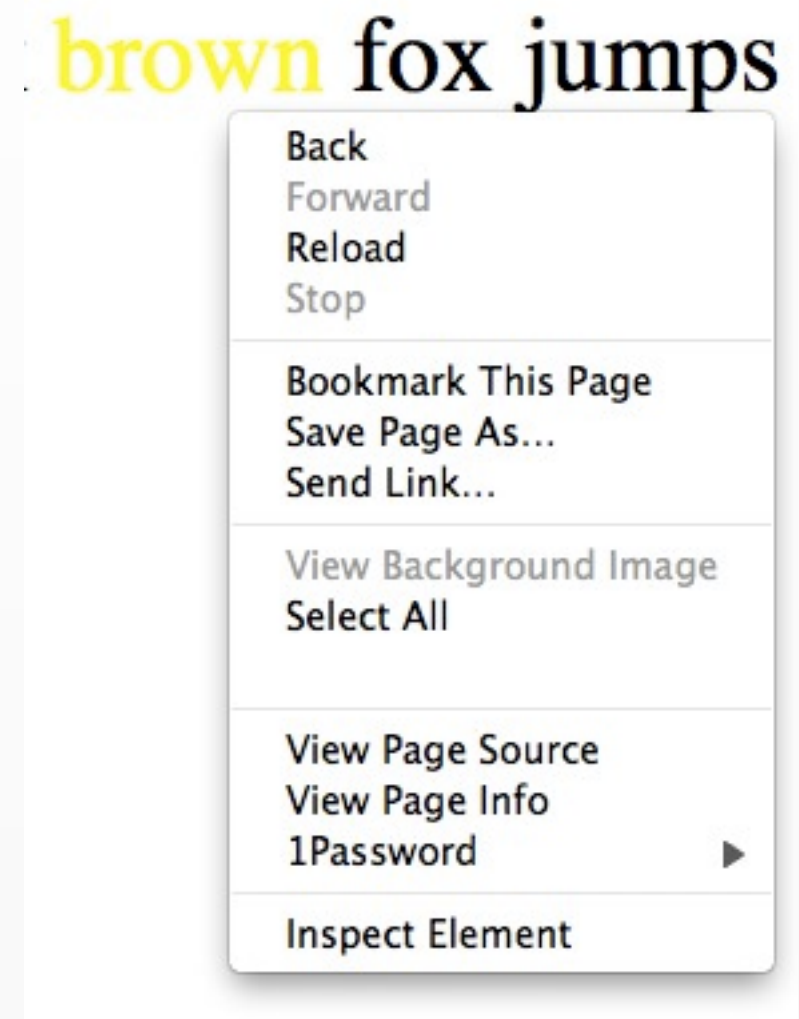
- Essential tool for Web development
- Developed by Joe Hewitt, now Facebook's lead iPhone dev
- Download at: <http://getfirebug.com/>

# Firebug

- Inspect any element to see the styles defined on it
- Lots of Javascript features too, we'll revisit in coming weeks

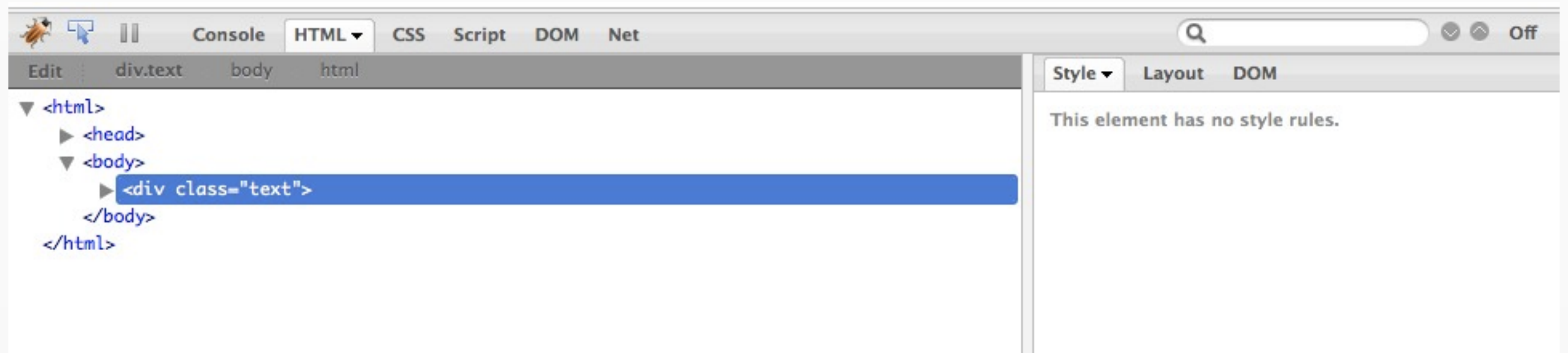
# Firebug How-To

- Right click anywhere in your page
- Click "Inspect Element"

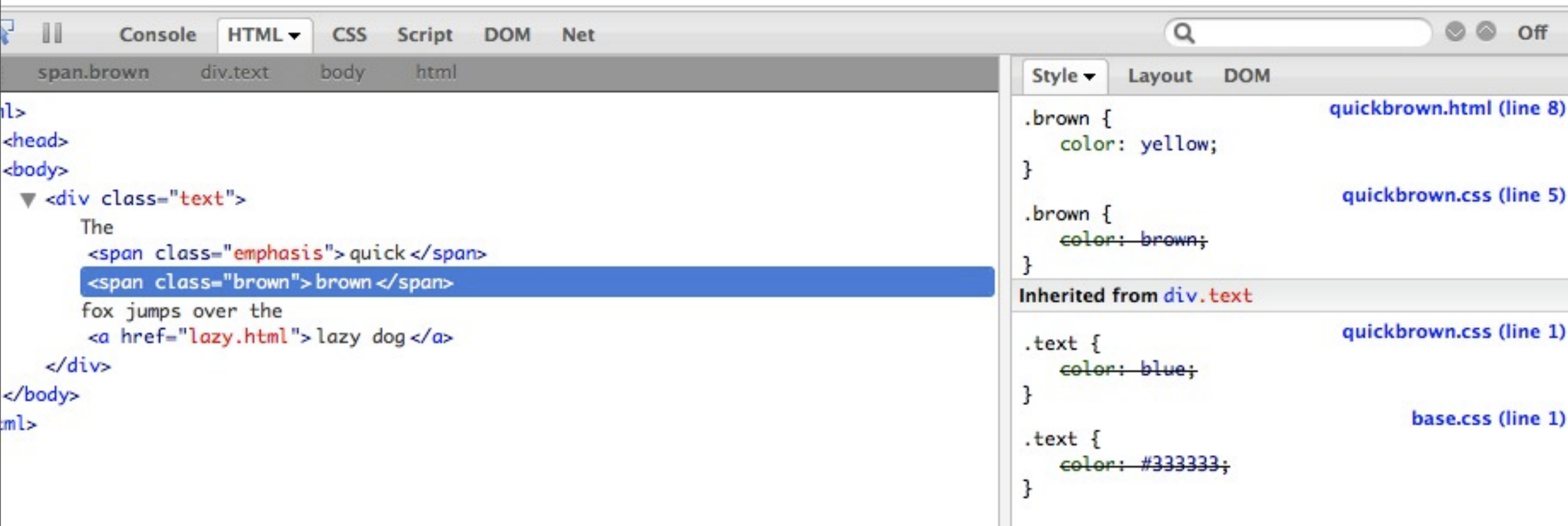


# Firebug

- Javascript console
- DOM Inspector
- CSS Editor
- Script debugger
- Network analyzer



# Inspecting the 'brown' element



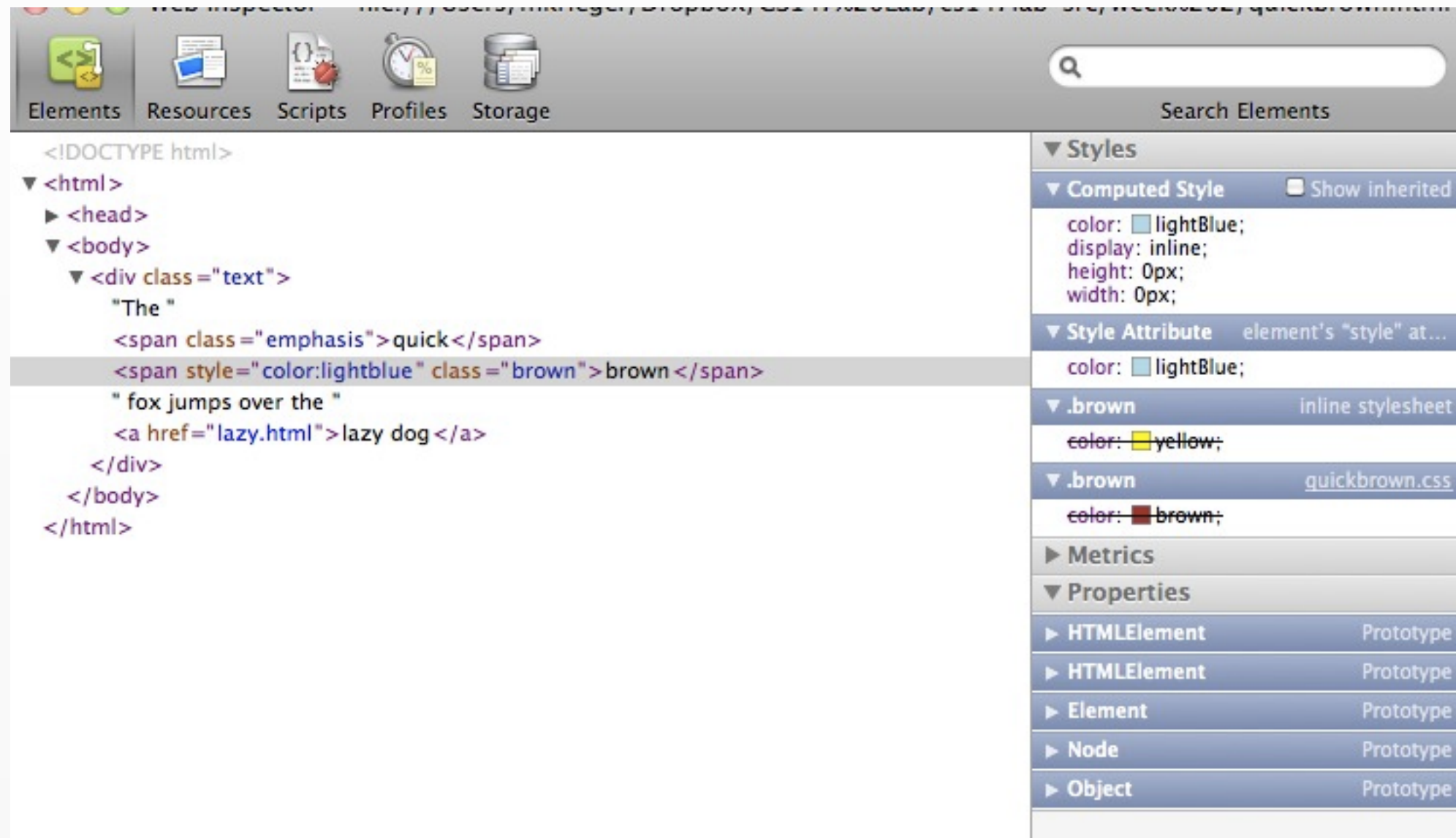
# Changing styles on the fly



pink brown fox

# Safari 4 Inspector

- Mostly on par with Firebug



# Summary

- Use either Firebug or the Safari Inspector
- They'll be a huge time-saver!
- We'll see more of them soon

# Styling elements

# Properties

- border
- size
- margin
- padding
- display
- background
- opacity

# Border

- Either separately:
  - border-width, border-style, border-color
  - (specify at least style)
- Or together:
  - border: *width style color*

# Border style

- border-style
  - solid, dotted, dashed, hidden, groove, ridge, inset...
  - most of the time: solid, dotted, dashed

# Border color

- border-color (same color arguments as before)

# border-width

- Takes measurement(s) (px, em, etc)
- Overloaded:
  - border-width: 1px; (all sides 1px)
  - border-width: 2px 1px (top and bottom 2px, left and right 1px)
  - border-width: 2px 3px 4px 3px (top, right, bottom, left)
- Or, specify border-width-top, border-width-bottom, etc

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    border-width: 5px;  
}
```

(no change; we need to  
specify at least a width and a  
style)

result

**I'm in a box!**

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    border-width: 5px;  
    border-style: dotted;  
}
```

result



I'm in a box!

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    border-width: 5px 60px 4px 8px;  
    border-style: solid;  
}
```

result



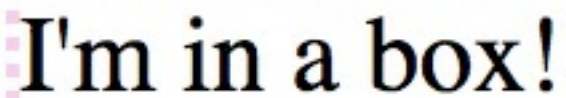
**I'm in a box!**

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

## CSS

```
#box {  
    border-width: 5px;  
    border-style: dotted;  
    border-color: #ffccee;  
}
```

## result



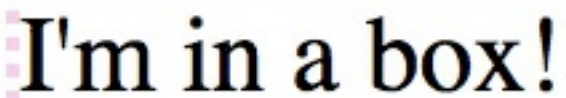
**I'm in a box!**

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    border: 5px dotted #ffccee;  
}
```

result



**I'm in a box!**

# Sizing divs

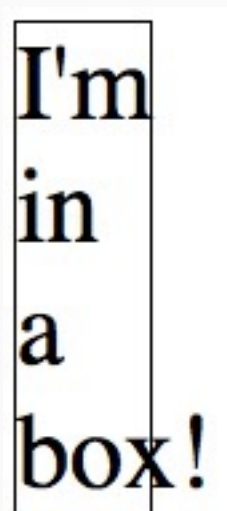
- width:
- height:
- both take sizes or percentages
- width: defaults to 100% of parent element
- height: as big as the text needs to be

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    width: 50px;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

result



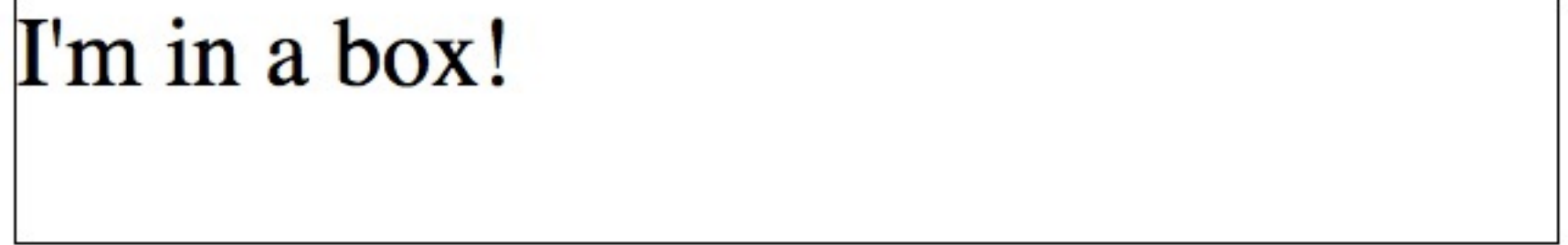
I'm  
in  
a  
box!

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    height: 100px;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

result



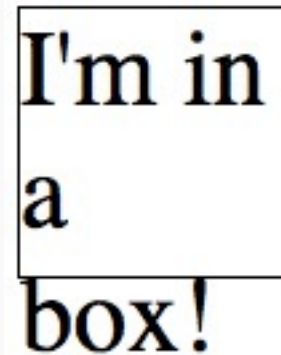
**I'm in a box!**

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

CSS

```
#box {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

result



I'm in  
a  
box!

text will overflow

# Overflow

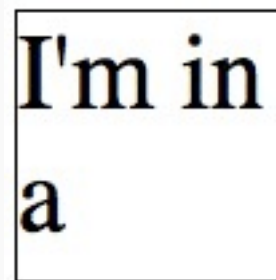
- **overflow** sets what happens when stuff goes outside the box
- visible (default), hidden, scroll, auto

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

## CSS

```
#box {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    overflow: hidden;  
}
```

## result



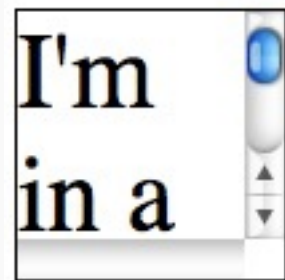
**I'm in  
a**

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

## CSS

```
#box {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    overflow: scroll;  
}
```

## result



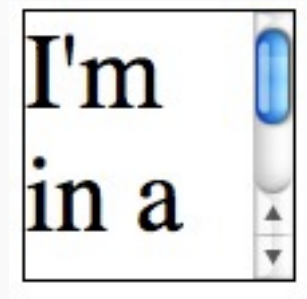
always shows a scroll box

```
<div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div>
```

## CSS

```
#box {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    overflow: auto;  
}
```

## result



only show scroll if needed

# Display

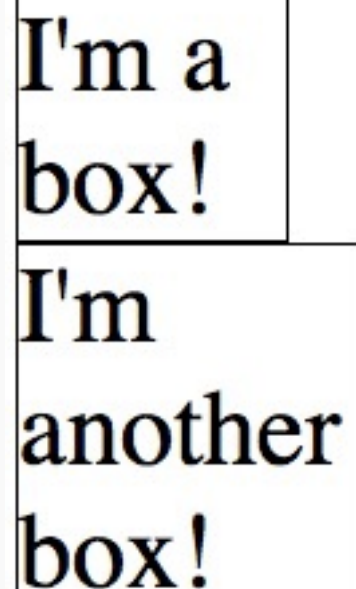
- **display** sets how the DOM element behaves:
  - none (hides the element)
  - block (has a width & height, line-break after)
  - inline (no width & height, no line-break)

```
<div id='firstbox'>I'm a box!</div>  
<div id='secondbox'>I'm another box!</div>
```

## CSS

```
#firstbox {  
  display: block;  
  border: 1px solid black;  
  width: 100px;  
}  
#secondbox {  
  display: block;  
  border: 1px solid black;  
  width: 130px;  
}
```

result



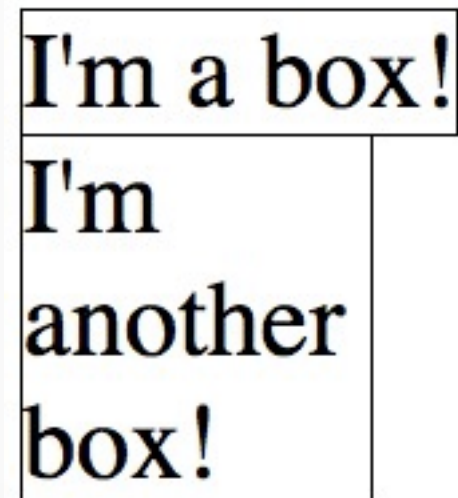
The visual result shows two rectangular boxes stacked vertically. The top box is smaller and contains the text "I'm a box!". The bottom box is larger and contains the text "I'm another box!". Both boxes have a thin black border.

```
<div id='firstbox'>I'm a box!</div>  
<div id='secondbox'>I'm another box!</div>
```

## CSS

```
#firstbox {  
    display: inline;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    width: 100px;  
}  
#secondbox {  
    display: block;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    width: 130px;  
}
```

result



The visual result shows two boxes. The first box, with the text "I'm a box!", is smaller and wider. The second box, with the text "I'm another box!", is taller and wider, and is positioned below the first box. Both boxes have a black border.

```
<div id='firstbox'>I'm a box!</div>  
<div id='secondbox'>I'm another box!</div>
```

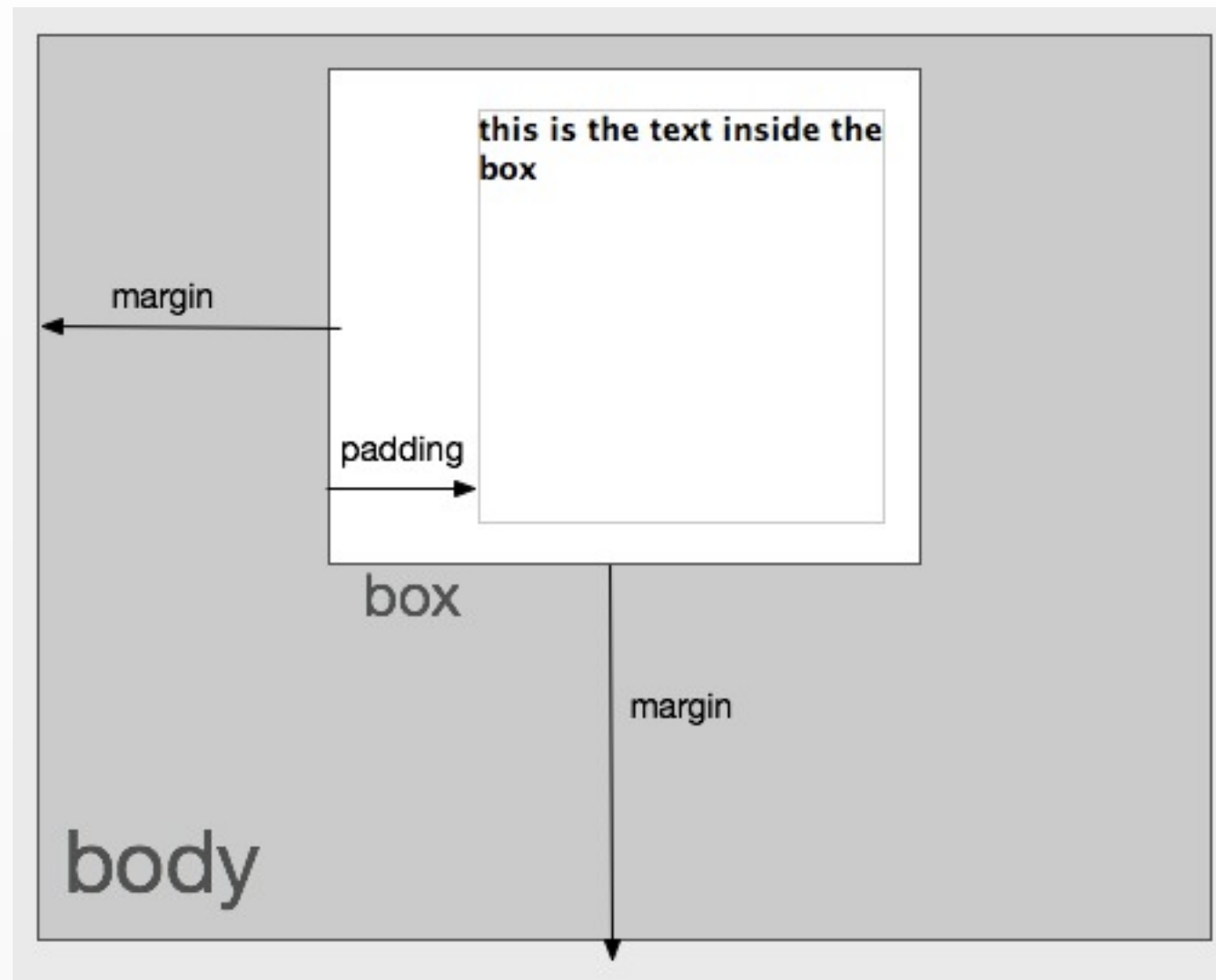
## CSS

```
#firstbox {  
    display: inline;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    width: 100px;  
}  
#secondbox {  
    display: inline;  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    width: 130px;  
}
```

result

**I'm a box! I'm another box!**

# Margin & Padding



# Margin & Padding

- Margin is distance from element from its parent
- Padding is distance from edge of element to its contents

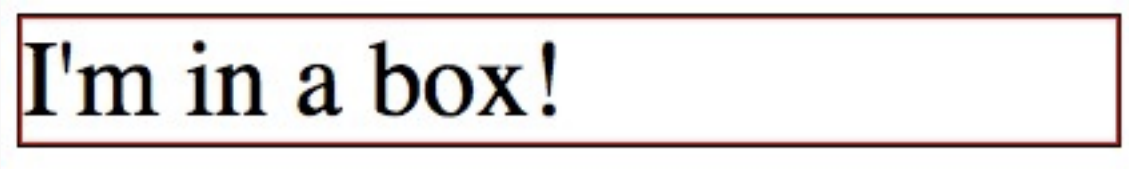
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    border: 1px solid red;  
}
```

## result



I'm in a box!

```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    border: 1px solid red;  
    margin: 3px 10px;  
}
```

## result



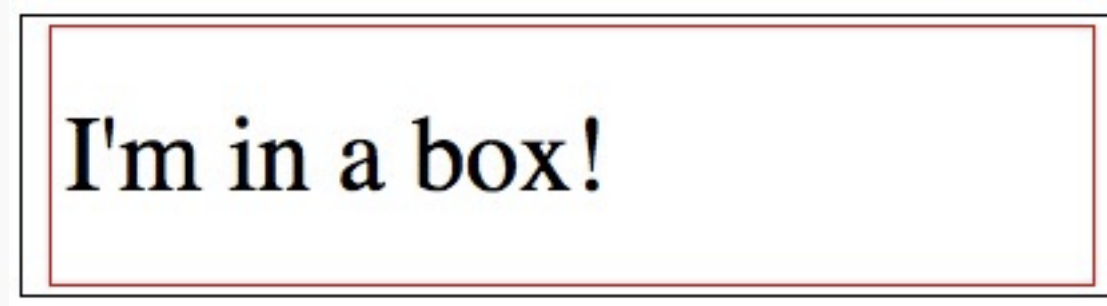
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    border: 1px solid red;  
    margin: 3px 10px;  
    padding: 25px 5px;  
}
```

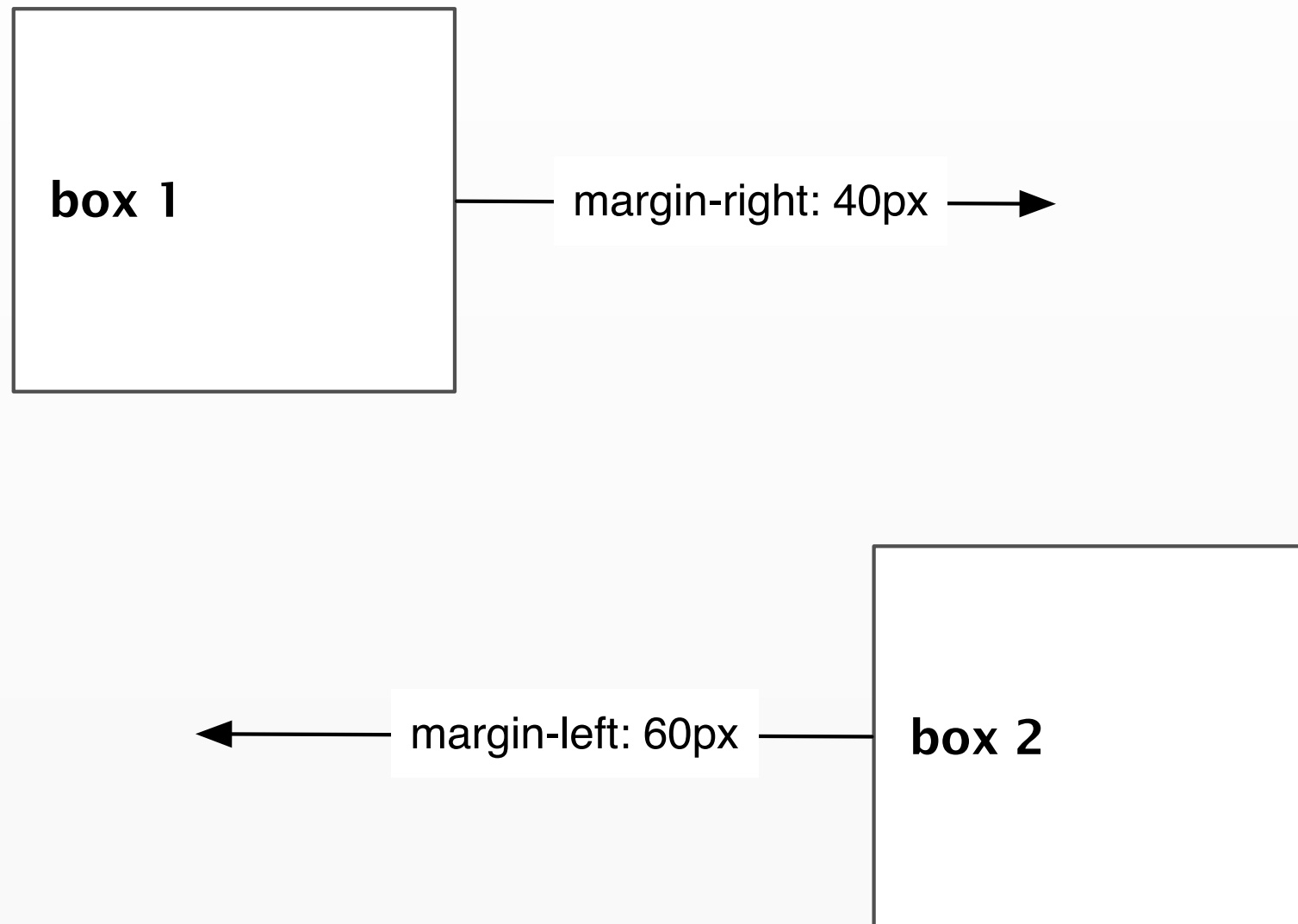
## result



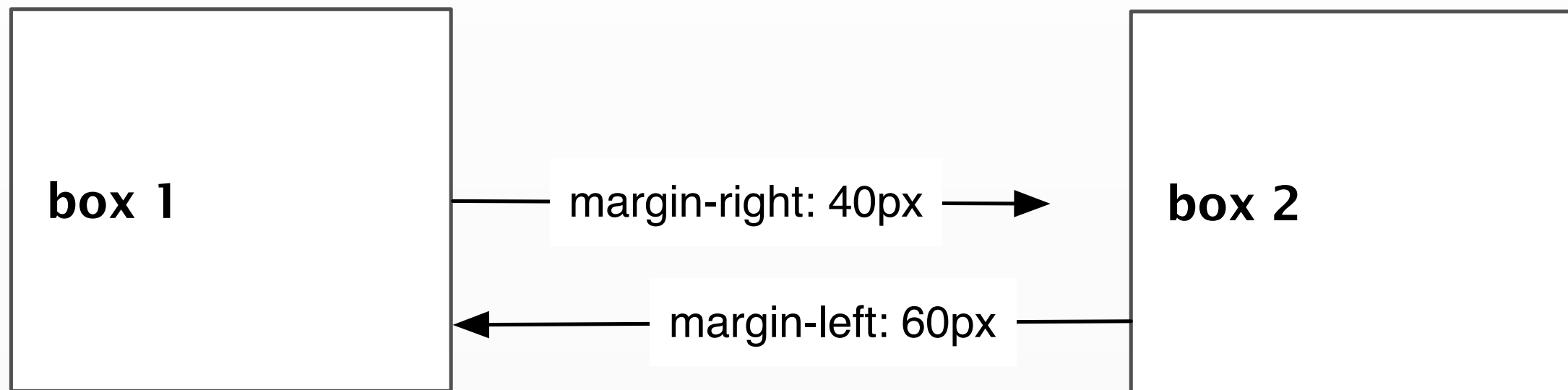
# Overlapping margins

- CSS will find the *minimum* margin between two elements that satisfies their margin requirements

# Example



If they were next to each other



# Centering an element

```
margin: 0 auto; /* or margin: 10px auto, etc */
```

telling the browser:

0px top and bottom margin

automatic left/right margin to center element

*note:* a width needs to be set

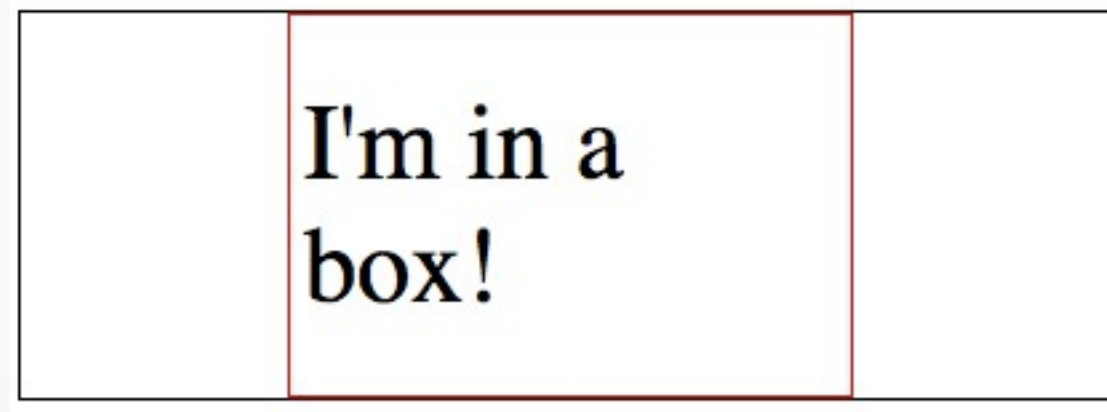
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    border: 1px solid red;  
    margin: 0px auto;  
    width: 200px;  
    padding: 25px 5px;  
}
```

result



# Background

- background properties:
  - background-image
  - background-color
  - background-repeat

# Background color

- background-color takes:
  - a color spec as before

```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    margin: 10px;  
    background-color: red;  
}
```

## result



**I'm in a box!**

# background-image

- takes a url( ) parameter with the link to the file

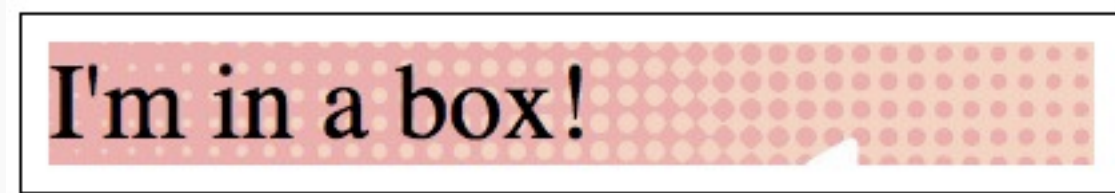
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    margin: 10px;  
    background-color: red;  
    background-image: url(http://dryicons.com/files/graphics\_previews/decorative\_background.jpg);  
}
```

## result



# background-repeat

- can specify:
  - repeat-y, repeat-x, or just repeat (will repeat both x and y)

# Opacity

- takes a number between 0 and 1.0 and sets how opaque the div **and its contents** will be

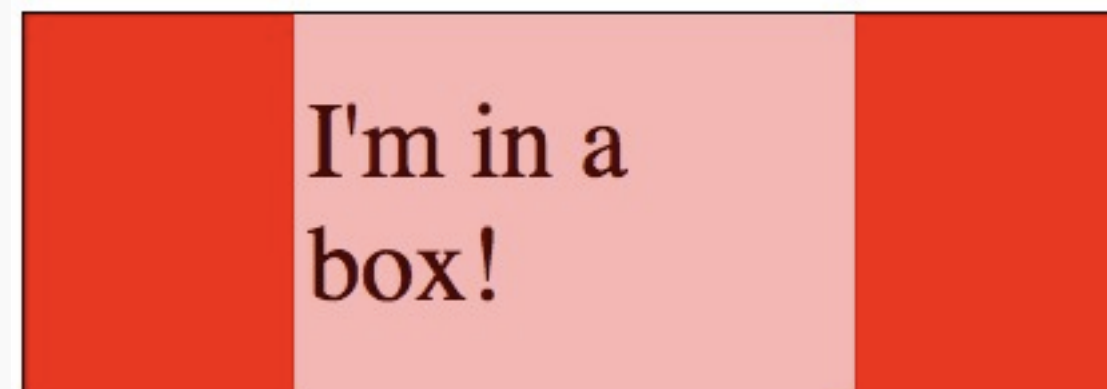
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='box'>I'm in a box!</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background-color: red;  
}
```

```
#box {  
    margin: 0 auto;  
    width: 200px;  
    padding: 25px 5px;  
    background-color: white;  
    opacity: 0.7;  
}
```

result



# Positioning boxes & text

# Positioning Elements

- Two ways:
  - absolute & relative positioning
  - floats

# Absolute & Relative

- Changing an element's **absolute** position takes it out of the normal flow of the DOM (other elements act like it was never there)
- Changing an element's **relative** position makes the DOM act like the element is still in its starting spot

# Specifying position

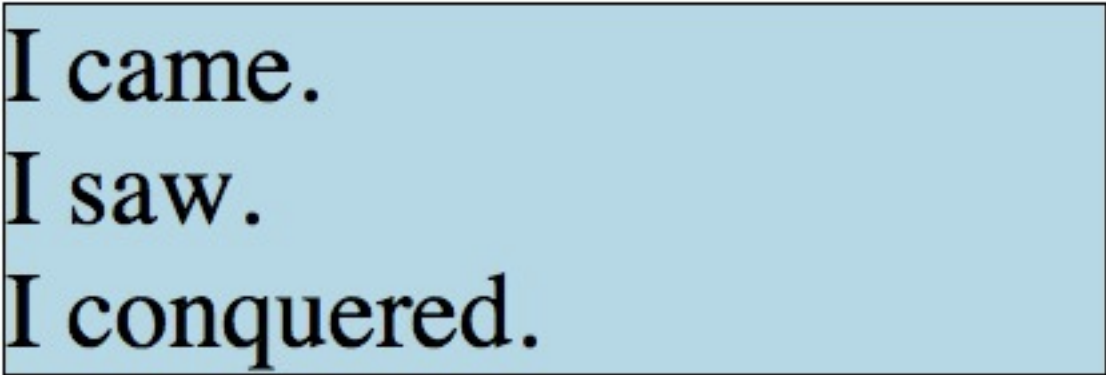
- **position:** relative|absolute|normal;
- **left/right/top/bottom:** size of how much to displace for any of these directions

```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='firstbox'>I came.</div><div id='secondbox'>I saw.</div><div id='thirdbox'>I conquered.</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

result



**I came.**  
**I saw.**  
**I conquered.**

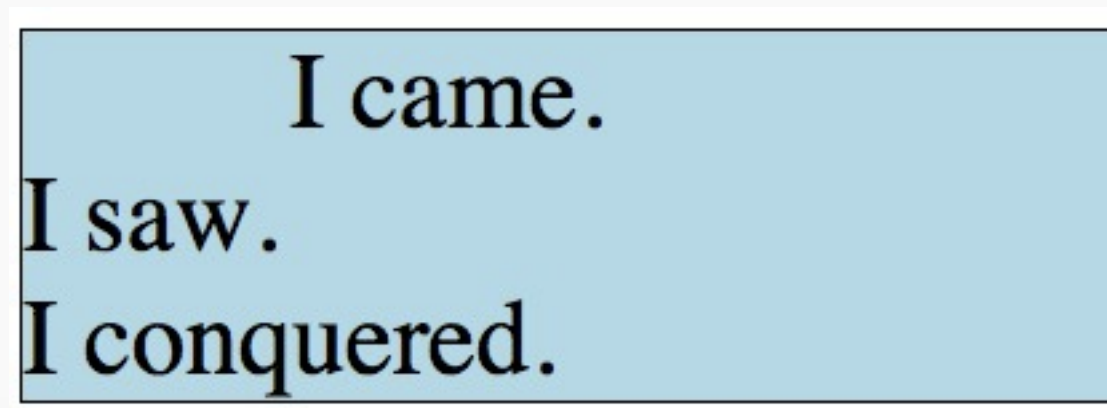
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='firstbox'>I came.</div><div id='secondbox'>I saw.</div><div id='thirdbox'>I conquered.</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#firstbox{  
    position: relative;  
    left: 100px;  
}
```

result



```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='firstbox'>I came.</div><div id='secondbox'>I saw.</div><div id='thirdbox'>I conquered.</div></div>
```

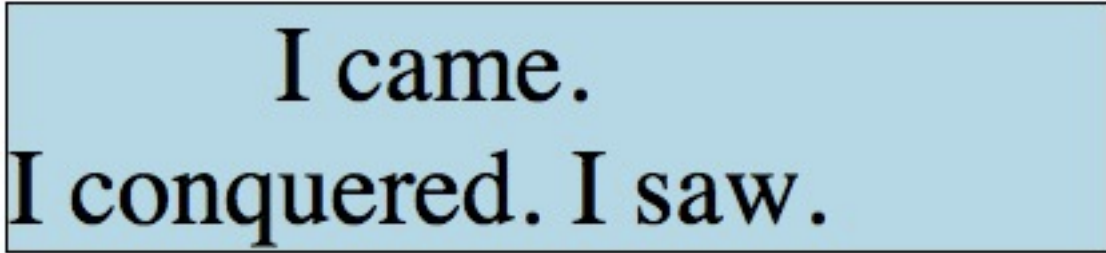
## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#firstbox{  
    position: relative;  
    left: 100px;  
}
```

```
#secondbox {  
    position: absolute;  
    left: 220px;  
}
```

result



I came.  
I conquered. I saw.

# Positioned relative to what?

- Its **first positioned parent**, or the **body** if nothing is positioned relative or absolute
- In other words, walk up the DOM tree until it finds a node that has been **positioned**.

# Example

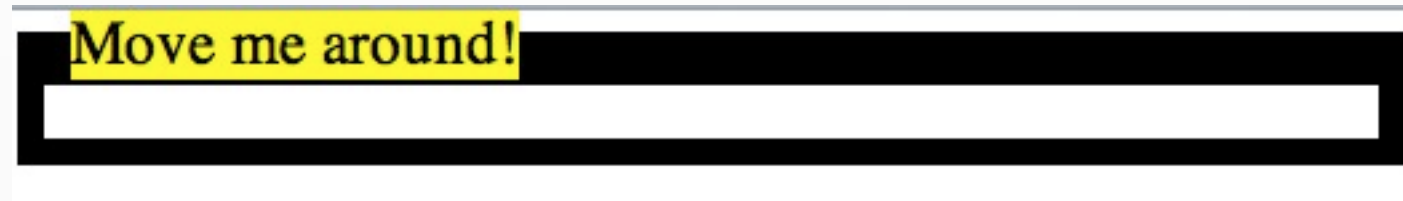
```
<div id='grandparent'>  
  <div id='firstparent'>  
    <div id='movemearound'>  
      Move me around!  
    </div>  
  </div>  
</div>
```

# Nothing positioned

**Move me around!**

# So if we position the movemearound box

```
#movemearound{  
  position: absolute;  
  background: yellow;  
  top: 0;  
}
```



...it's positioned relative to the whole body,  
not any of its parents

# Now let's position the grandparent

```
#grandparent {  
    background: black;  
    padding: 10px;  
    width: 500px;  
    position: absolute;  
    left: 30px;  
    top: 20px;  
}  
  
#firstparent {  
    background: white;  
    margin-top: 10px;  
}  
  
#movemearound{  
    // disabling this positioning for now  
}
```

Now grandparent is  
positioned



**Move me around!**

# So if we position movemearound again...

```
#grandparent {  
  background: black;  
  padding: 10px;  
  width: 500px;  
  position: absolute;  
  left: 30px;  
  top: 20px;  
}
```

```
#firstparent {  
  background: white;  
  margin-top: 10px;  
}
```

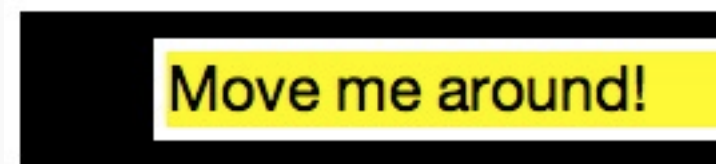
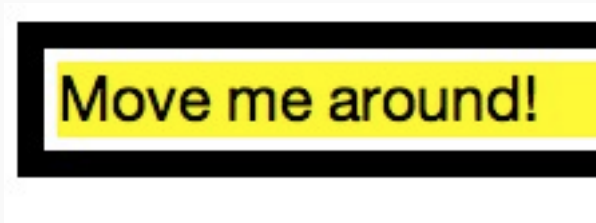
```
#movemearound{  
  position: absolute;  
  background: yellow;  
  top: 0;  
}
```



it's positioned relative to the grandparent

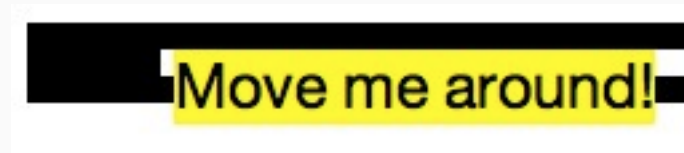
# Now let's position its direct parent

```
#firstparent {  
  background: white;  
  position: relative;  
  left: 40px;  
  padding: 5px;  
}
```



# So, if we now position movemearound...

```
#movemearound{  
  position: absolute;  
  background: yellow;  
  top: 0px;  
  
}
```



...it's positioned relative to  
#firstparent, not #grandparent  
or the body

# Position Summary

- position: relative doesn't affect the elements around it; DOM acts like it's still there
- position: absolute takes element out of the DOM flow
- left/right/top/bottom properties are relative to the first parent from the element that has a position attached...or the body

# float

- **float** right/left will move an element as far in that direction in its bounding box as possible. Everything else in that box (other than other floated elements) flows around it.

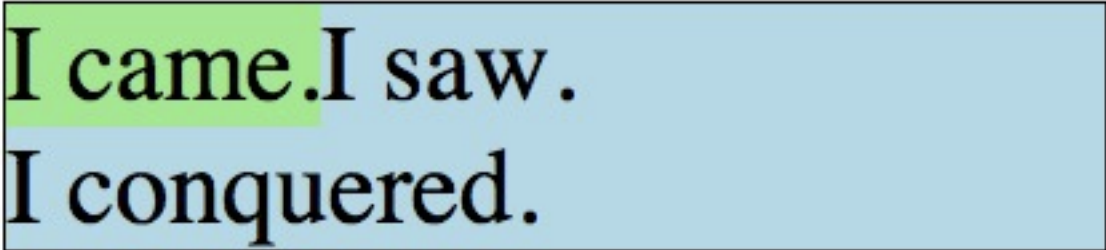
```
<div id='outerbox'><div id='firstbox'>I came.</div><div id='secondbox'>I saw.</div><div id='thirdbox'>I conquered.</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#firstbox{  
    background: lightgreen;  
    float: left;  
}
```

result



**I came.I saw.**  
**I conquered.**

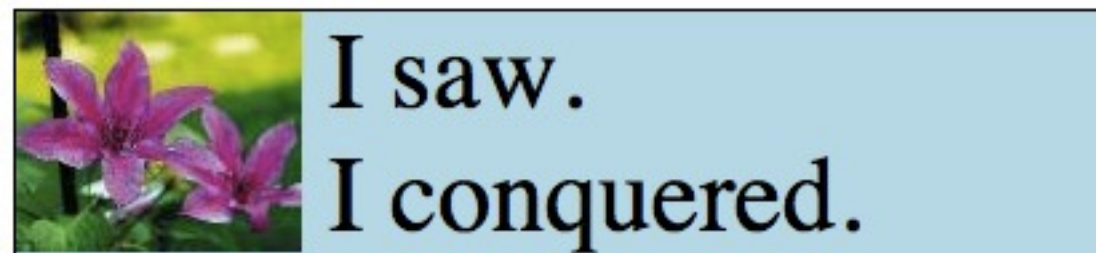
```
<div id='outerbox'> <div  
id='secondbox'>I saw.</div><div id='thirdbox'>I  
conquered.</div></div>
```

## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#flowerimage{  
    float: left;  
    margin-right: 10px;  
}
```

result



```
<div id='outerbox'> <div id='secondbox'>I saw.</
```

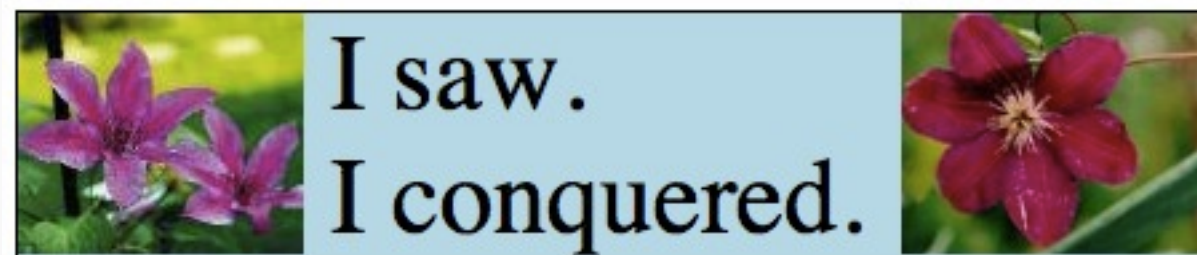
## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#flowerimage{  
    float: left;  
    margin-right: 10px;  
}
```

```
#otherflower{  
    float: right;  
}
```

result



```
<div id='outerbox'> <div id='secondbox'>I saw.</  
div><div id='thirdbox'>I conquered.</div></div>
```

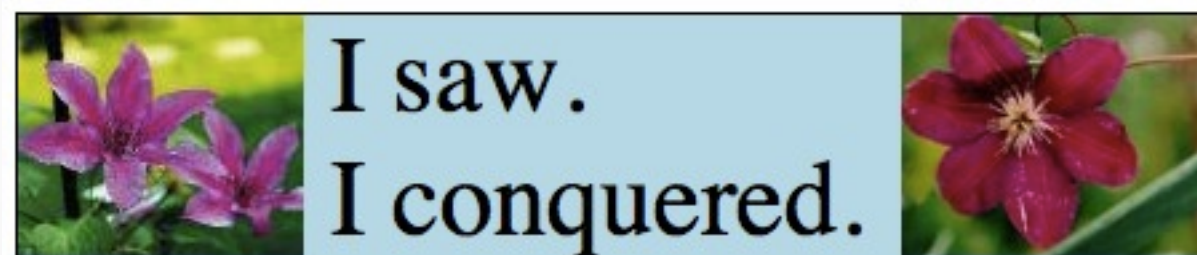
## CSS

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#flowerimage{  
    float: left;  
    margin-right: 10px;  
}
```

```
#otherflower{  
    float: right;  
}
```

result



# Floated elements don't flow



**I saw.  
I conquered.**



# Clearing a float

- Setting clear: left|right|both on an element will put it after the full height of floated elements on the left|right or both sides

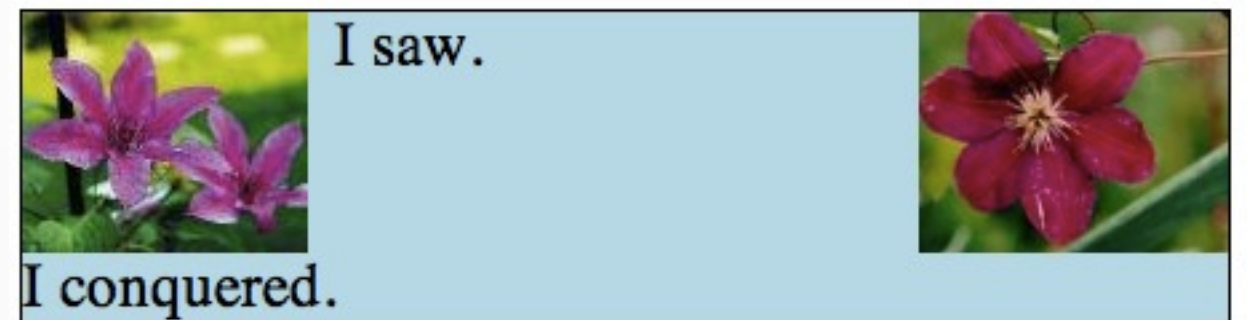
# Clearing floats

```
#outerbox {  
    border: 1px solid black;  
    background: lightblue;  
}
```

```
#flowerimage{  
    float: left;  
    margin-right: 10px;  
}
```

```
#otherflower{  
    float: right;  
}
```

```
#thirdbox {  
    clear: both;  
}
```



Putting it in practice

# 2 ways of doing a left-side menu with right content

- using **position**
- using **float**
- let's pretend we're building Axios

# Our starter code

```
<div id="nav">
  <ul>
    <li>Home</li>
    <li>Add/Edit Courses</li>
    <li>Order books</li>
    <li>Make a payment</li>
  </ul>
</div>
<div id="content">
  Lorem ipsum...
</div>
```

# Looks like this:

- Home
- Add/Edit Courses
- Order books
- Make a payment

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# method 1 : position

- Strategy: pull the left menu out of the DOM flow using **position: absolute**
- Then move the content over by using **position: relative**

# step 1

```
#nav {  
    position: absolute;  
}
```

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#nav is now out of the flow, so the #content is overlapping it

# step 2

```
#nav {  
    position: absolute;  
    width: 200px;  
}
```

```
ul {  
    margin: 0px;  
}
```

```
#content {  
    position: relative;  
    left: 220px;  
}
```

- Home
- Add/Edit Courses
- Order books
- Make a payment

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# This looks good, but...

- What happens when the right side is shorter than the left?

# with a footer

```
<div id="nav">
  <ul>
    <li>Home</li>
    <li>Add/Edit Courses</li>
    <li>Order books</li>
    <li>Make a payment</li>
  </ul>
</div>
<div id="content">
  If the content is short...
</div>
<div id="footer">What if we wanted more information like a
footer?</div>
```

- Home
  - Courses
  - Order books
  - Make a payment
- If the content is short...  
What if we wanted more information like a footer?

Uh oh...

- We need a different approach if we want a footer

# Method 2: float

- Strategy: float both elements left

# Step 1

```
#nav {  
    float: left;  
    width: 200px;  
}
```

```
body {  
    width: 800px;  
}
```

```
ul {  
    margin: 0px;  
}
```

```
#content {  
    width: 500px;  
}
```

- Home
- Add/Edit Courses
- Order books
- Make a payment

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# Step 2

```
#nav {  
    float: left;  
    width: 200px;  
}
```

```
body {  
    width: 800px;  
}
```

```
ul {  
    margin: 0px;  
}
```

```
#content {  
    float: left;  
    width: 500px;  
}
```

- Home
- Add/Edit Courses
- Order books
- Make a payment

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# And now for a footer...

- We can use **clear**!

# first, adding the footer

- Home
- Add/Edit Courses
- Order books
- Make a payment

If the content is short...

we wanted more information like a footer?

What if

# now add clear

```
#nav {  
    float: left;  
    width: 200px;  
}
```

```
body { width: 800px;}  
ul { margin: 0px;}
```

```
#content {  
    float: left;  
    width: 500px;  
}
```

```
#footer {  
    clear: both;  
}
```

- Home
  - Add/Edit Courses
  - Order books
  - Make a payment
- If the content is short...

What if we wanted more information like a footer?

# Success!

# Portfolio Part 2

```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>CS147 Portfolio, Day 1</title>
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, user-scalable=no" />
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="week02.css" type="text/css" media="screen" title="no title"
charset="utf-8">
  </head>
  <body>
    <div class='content'>
      <div id="info">
        <div id='fullname'>Joe <span id='last-name'>Student</span></div>
        <div id="tagline">joe@student.com<br/>Interface Designer</div>
      </div>
      <div id='bio'>
        <h2>Bio</h2>
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proident, sunt in culpa qui officia deserunt mollit anim id est laborum.</div>
      <div id='assignments'>
        <h2>Course work</h2>
        <ul>
          <li><a href="how-might-we.html">How Might We?</a></li>
          <li><a href="inspiration.html">Inspiration</a></li>
          <li><a href="discovery.html">Discovery</a></li>
        </ul>
      </div>
      <!-- we need this for our float layout -->
      <div class='clear'></div>
    </div>
  </body>
</html>

```

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## Course work

- [How Might We?](#)
- [Inspiration](#)
- [Discovery](#)

```

body {
    font-family: Georgia;
    margin: 0px;
}

#assignments {
    float: left;
    width: 130px;
    margin-top: 25px;
    padding: 5px 5px;
    -webkit-border-radius: 10px;
    background-color: #e4d18f;
    font-size: 0.9em;
    position: relative;
    top: 40px;
}

#assignments h2 {
    position: absolute;
    top: -19px;
    color: #e4d18f;
}

#assignments a {
    text-decoration: none;
    color: #8a000e;
}

.content {
    border: 1px solid gray;
    background: #8a000e;
    color: white;
    margin: 0px auto;
    width: 315px;
    padding: 5px 10px;
}

#info {
    width: 140px;
    float: left;
}

}

#last-name {
    font-weight: bold;
    position: relative;
    top: 10px;
}

#tagline {
    font-size: 0.8em;
    position: relative;
    left: 1px;
    font-style: italic;
    top: 14px;
}

}

h2 { margin-top: 0px; font-size: 1.0em; }

#bio {
    float: right;
    width: 155px;;
    font-size: 0.9em;
}

ul {
    margin-left: 0px;
    padding-left: 0px;
    margin-top: 0px;
    list-style-type: none;
}

li { margin-bottom: 5px; margin-top: 5px; }
.clear { clear: both; }

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```
body {
    background-color: white;
    color: white;
    font-family: Helvetica;
    margin: 0px;
}

.content {
    background-color: #AAA;
    margin: 0px auto;
    width: 300px;
    padding: 10px 20px;
    height: 480px;
}

#info {
    width: 280px;
    margin: 0px auto;
    border-bottom: 1px solid white;
}

#last-name {
    font-family: Zapfino;
    font-weight: bold;
}

#fullname {
    float: left;
    font-family: Zapfino;
}
```

```
#tagline {
    font-size: 0.8em;
    position: relative;
    left: 14px;
    top: 14px;
}

h2 { font-size: 1.4em; }

#bio { clear: both; }

ul {
    margin-left: 0px;
    padding-left: 0px;
    list-style-type: none;
}

li {
    background-color: #cacaca;
    padding: 10px;
    margin-bottom: 5px;
}

a {
    text-decoration: none;
    color: white;
}
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```
body {
    background-color: white;
    color: white;
    font-family: Helvetica;
    margin: 0px;

}

.content {
    background-color: #7a7cab;
    margin: 0px auto;
    width: 300px;
    padding: 10px 20px;
    height: 480px;
}

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}

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}

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# What we did today

- How to add CSS to your HTML
- What CSS looks like
- How the "cascade" works
- How to style fonts & boxes
- How to position elements