

# BE LIKE WATER

**Applying Bruce Lee's philosophy to web design**

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# Bruce Lee



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“ Be formless, shapeless, **like water**.  
Now you put water into a cup, it becomes the cup.  
You put water into a bottle, it becomes the bottle. You  
put it in a teapot, it becomes the teapot.  
Now water can **flow**, or it can crash.  
Be water, my friend.

—Bruce Lee

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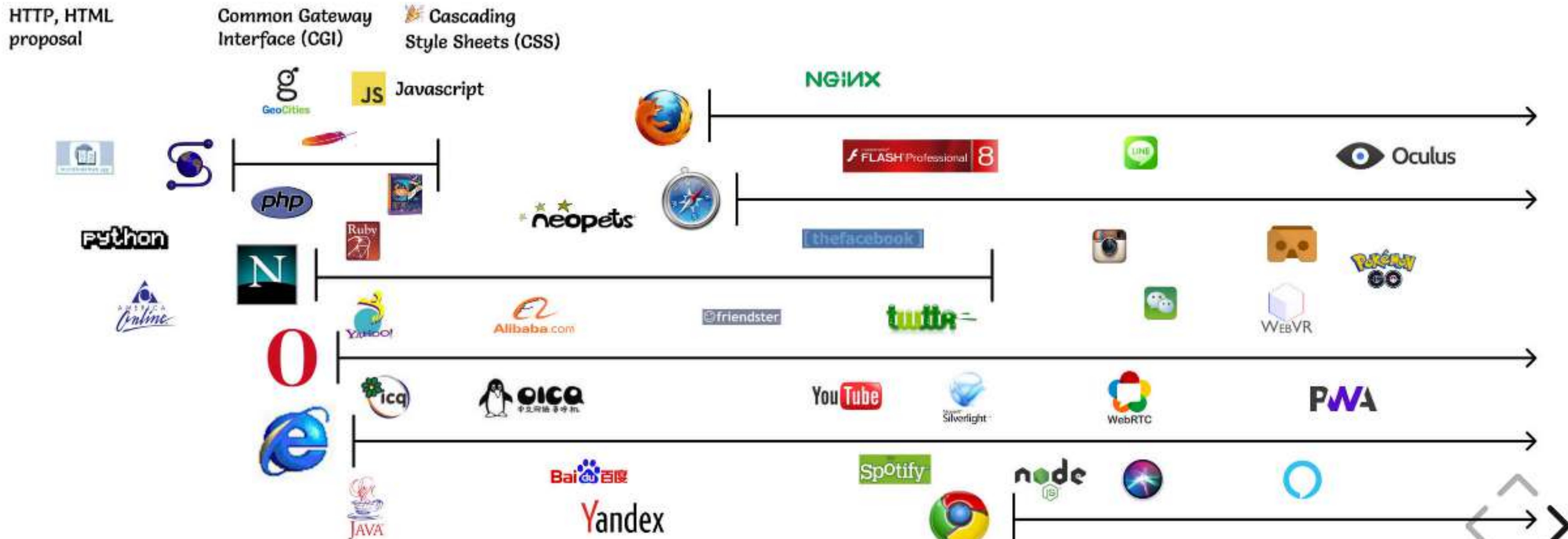
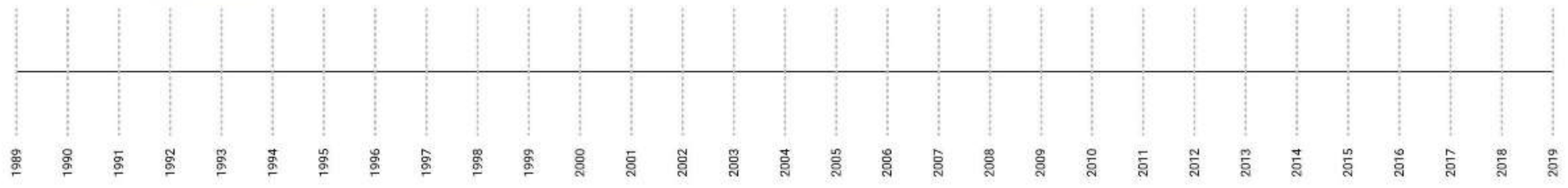


Physical media



Digital media





# What about frameworks?



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“ Preformations simply **lack the flexibility** to adapt to  
the ever changing. ”

—Bruce Lee



**Let's establish a new normal**



# State of Browsers (2018)



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“ Yes, it's easier to develop and test in only one browser. I'm sure IT professionals would have loved to only support one kind of machine. But **variety creates opportunity** for us as developers in the long run.

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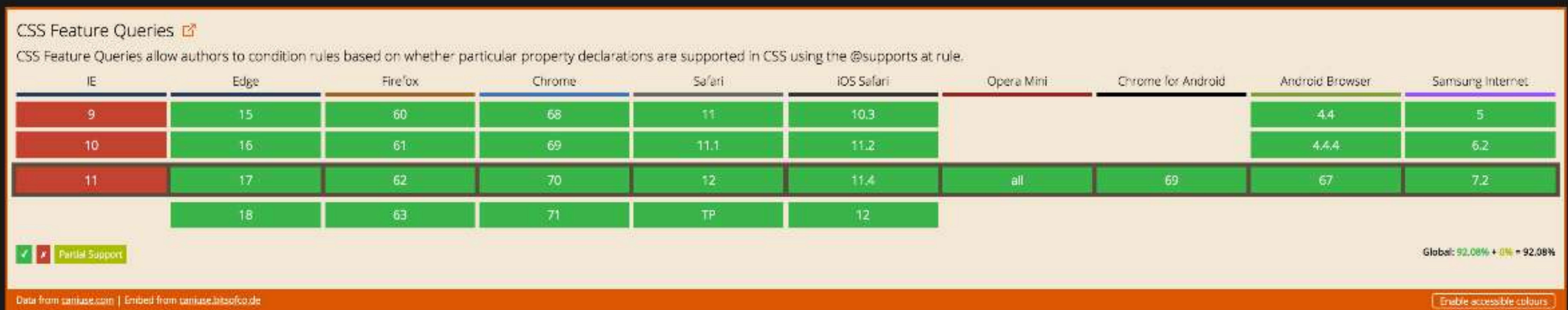
—Rachel Nabors, *The Ecological Impact of Browser Diversity*



# Feature Queries

To write style sheets that use new features when available but  
**degrade gracefully** when those features are not supported

# Browser support



```
.selector {  
    /* Styles that are supported in old browsers */  
}  
  
@supports (property:value) {  
    .selector {  
        /* Styles for browsers that support the specified property */  
    }  
}
```



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“ It is futile to argue as to which single leaf, which design of branch, or which attractive flower you like; when you **understand the root**, you understand all its blossoming. ”

—Bruce Lee



- per pixel control: CSS1 values simplicity over level of control, and although the combination of background images and styled HTML is powerful, control to the pixel level is not possible.
- author control: the author cannot enforce the use of a certain sheet, only suggest.
- a layout language: CSS1 does not offer multiple columns with text-flow, overlapping frames etc.
- a rich query language on the parse tree: CSS1 can only look for ancestor elements in the parse tree, while other style sheet languages (e.g. DSSSL [2]) offers a full query language.

We expect to see extensions of CSS in several directions:

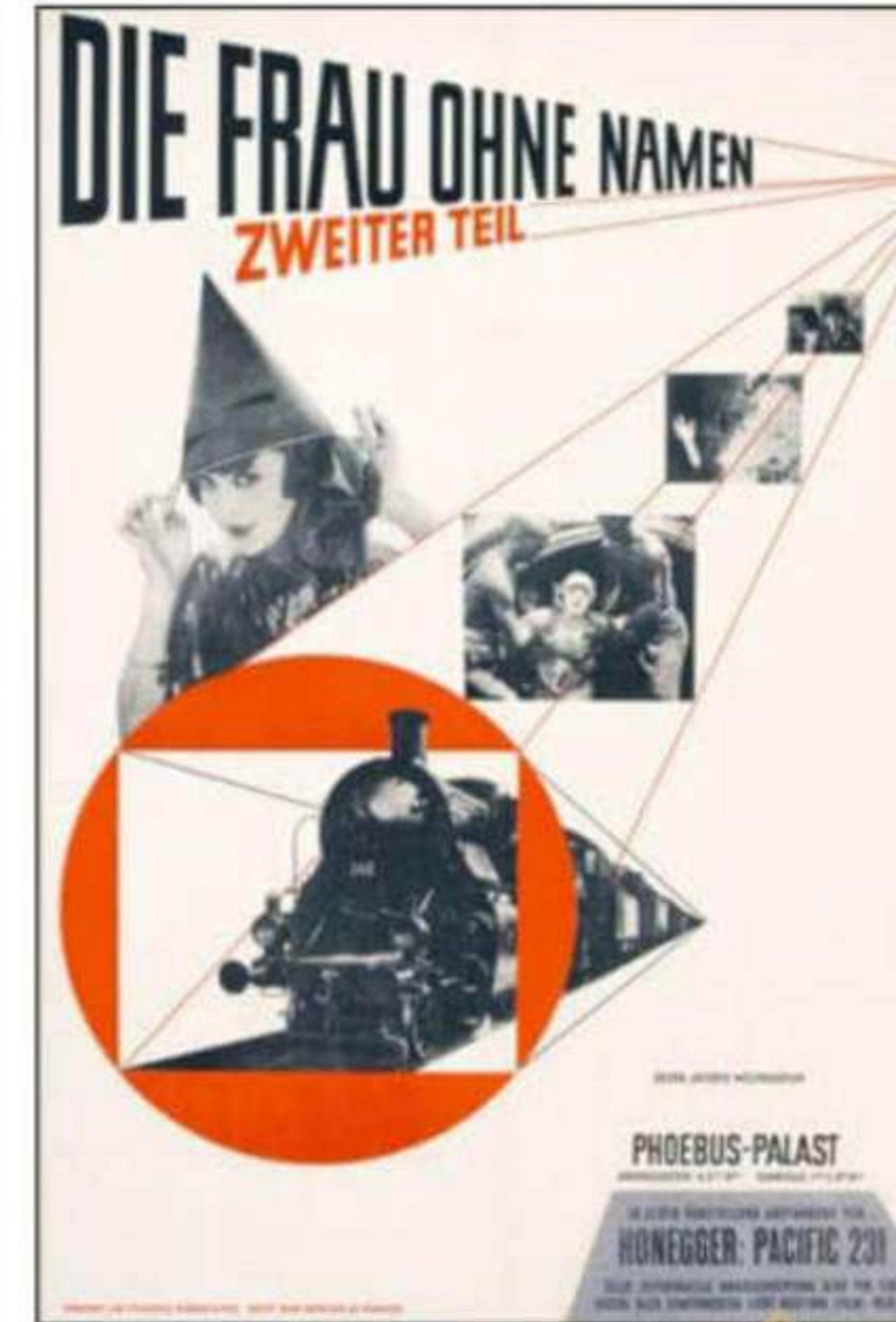
- paper: better support for printing HTML documents
- support for non-visual media: work is in the process to add a list of properties and corresponding values to support speech and braille output
- color names: the currently supported list may be extended
- fonts: more precise font specification systems are expected to complement existing CSS1 font properties.
- values, properties: we expect vendors to propose extensions to the CSS1 set of values and properties. Extending in this direction is trivial for the specification, but interoperability between different UAs is a concern.
- layout language: support for two-dimensional layout in the tradition of desktop publishing packages.
- other DTDs: CSS1 has some HTML-specific parts (e.g. the special status of the 'CLASS' and 'ID' attributes) but should easily be extended to apply to other DTDs as well.

We do not expect CSS to evolve into:

- a programming language

# Transforms

Allows us to change the **shape** and **position** of the affected content without disrupting the normal document flow



The Future  
Sound

Stadtwerkstatt  
Linz

Abby Lee Tee  
Album Release  
visualised by  
System Jaquelinde

Mehmet Acuma  
Andaka

Julian Sartorius (CH)  
Exclusive Soloshow

Julian Sartorius  
Abby Lee Tee





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A stack of three issues of 'Publisher' magazine. The top issue features a large black and white photograph of a woman with long hair on the cover. The title 'Publisher' is printed in large, bold, black letters across the top of each page. A 'PUBLISHER'S NOTE' column is visible on the right side of the top issue's cover.

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PUBLISHERS NOTE



# 2D transform functions

`rotate( <angle> )`

Performs a 2D rotation by the angle specified around the element's origin

`translate( <translation-value>  
[ , <translation-value> ]? )`

Performs a 2D translation in the specified X and Y directions

`skew( <angle> [ , <angle> ]? )`

Performs a 2D skew by the angles specified

`scale( <number> [ , <number> ]? )`

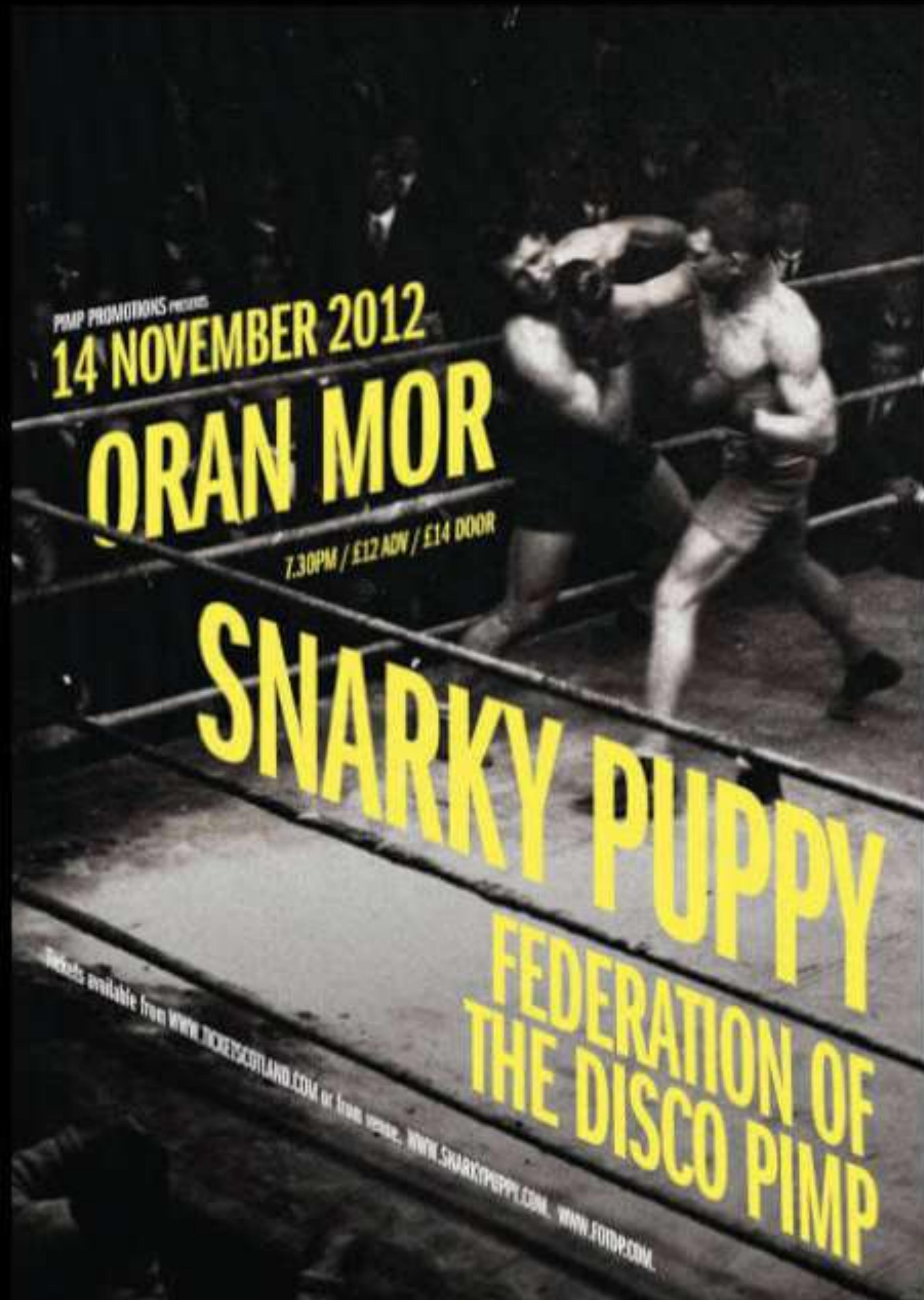
Performs a 2D scale operation by the scaling vector specified



# Diagonal text with rotate()



```
.trf2d-cont {  
    display: grid;  
    grid-template-columns: repeat(9, 1fr);  
    grid-template-rows: repeat(3, 2em) re  
    grid-gap: 0.125em;  
    position: relative;  
}  
  
@media screen and (min-width: 480px) {  
    .trf2d-cont {  
        transform: rotate(-30deg) translateX  
    }  
}  
  
@media screen and (min-width: 640px) {  
    .trf2d-cont {  
        transform: rotate(-30deg) translateY  
    }  
}
```





## NEW DIRECTIONS IN

# PORTUGAL

AIRÉS MATEUS – BROTHERS OF INVENTION

PORTUGAL'S IMPRESSIVE CULTURAL AND CREATIVE POTENTIAL WAS FIRST REVEALED TO THE WORLD OF MODERN ARCHITECTURE BY ALVARO SIZA. IN HIS WAKE, A NEW GENERATION OF ARCHITECTS IS EMERGING THAT INCLUDES MANUEL AND FRANCISCO AIRÉS MATEUS. THEIR WORK IS BOTH STRONGLY INTERNATIONAL AND ROOTED IN ITS PARTICULAR PLACE.

BY BRIAN CARTER. PHOTOGRAPHY BY DANIEL MALHĀO

Manuel and Francisco Aires Mateus are brothers who, after studying architecture at the Technical University in Lisbon, while still in their mid-twenties went on to establish a studio together in 1990. Their growing practice occupies two studios in the heart of Lisbon – one in the renovated shell of a former industrial workshop and the other in town high up in a collection of houses – where they work collaboratively. With a solid reputation based on designs for houses and successful competition-winning

proposals that have resulted in new buildings in historic settings and impressive landscapes, they are playing an increasingly significant role in the development of new architecture in Portugal.

The thoughtful relationship of building to landscape and the convincing innovation of their work was recognised by Álvaro Siza and Rafael Moneo, who included projects designed by the Aires Mateus brothers in the exhibition Portuguese-Spanish Encounters in Architecture. Moneo first in Lorca and later in Salamanca in 1998, it was aimed at uncovering the work and ideas of an emerging group of architects that was, as he suggested, "free from inhibition and contradiction, from imitation and traditionalism,

OPPOSITE PAGE: Fox  
Box House in Alenquer  
(2003), a small village  
just north of Lisbon.  
Aires Mateus & Associates  
retained and repaired the  
ruined walls of a former  
house, using them as a site  
within which to construct a  
completely autonomous new  
one. The spaces between the old  
and the new walls were developed  
as courtyards.

# Perspective text



Rethinking  
Web Design

```
.trf3d-cont div {  
  perspective: 45vw;  
  perspective-origin: 50% 0%;  
}  
  
.trf3d-cont h1 {  
  transform: rotateY(-45deg);  
  background-color: #44c185;  
  color: #191919;  
  padding: 0.25em 1em;  
}
```



# Browser support

## CSS3 2D Transforms

Method of transforming an element including rotating, scaling, etc. Includes support for 'transform' as well as 'transform-origin' properties.

IE	Edge	Firefox	Chrome	Safari	iOS Safari	Opera Mini	Chrome for Android	Android Browser	Samsung Internet
9	15	60	68	11	103		4.4	5	
10	16	61	69	11.1	11.2		4.4.4	6.2	
11	17	62	70	12	11.4	all	69	67	7.2
	18	63	71	TP	12				

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## CSS3 3D Transforms

Method of transforming an element in the third dimension using the 'transform' property. Includes support for the 'perspective' property to set the perspective in z-space and the 'backface-visibility' property to toggle display of the reverse side of a 3D-transformed element.

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# Editor's LETTER



## EVERGREEN

used, bit by bit, I have been starting my own little green movement. I've stopped using the plastic bags at the supermarket. I reuse my plastic take-away containers and try not to use the disposable hotel slippers when I travel. They are small gestures, but important ones, nonetheless. I am working on reducing my carbon footprint by taking a bus home instead of a cab, but I stop at sleeping with the windows open and no air-conditioning. (I can't—I've tried but the city sounds are just too loud.) I even have potted plants around my homely box in the sky; if that's any help at reducing carbon dioxide I am proud of the fact that our late Minister Mentor, Lee Kuan Yew, had this foresight back in 1963 when he started planning the "greening" of Singapore with a tree-planting campaign. It was his vision to cultivate greenery to soften the hardness of the metropolis. More than an aesthetic movement, it was an active step towards incorporating nature and preserving it in our daily lives. Ironically, Singaporeans, by nature, are not the world's most environmentally conscious lot.

But with nature, we slowly can be. In this issue, which celebrates flora and fauna, I wanted to explore the beauty of plants, flowers, insects and animals. Yes, it's an aesthetic vision to beautify our pages, but also, in a small way, to appreciate what Mother Nature has given us. We went back in time to explore the beauty of illustrations. Our style and fashion pages are literally blooming with flowers. Jewels and watches take the form of petals and insects with coloured stones and dazzling diamonds. We sample some of the most ancient healing remedies in our extensive "Spa Around 2016" which blends the best botanics. We even have floral colouring books for adults. Saving Gaia can be such a beautiful art form; I am doing my little bit to preserve it for generations to come—so that this issue on flora and fauna is not a thing of the past.



KENNETH COLE

Editor-in-Chief



I'm no Justin Bieber, I go to Amara to get coffee, and the paparazzi walk me to ballet class. I drink one or two cappuccinos a day. I think that's bad, but I have worse habits. I just gave up smoking because I was deathly ill and couldn't fit the smoke in my lungs. Whiskey is my main indulgence.

**10:00 A.M.** In England, there's no exercise element, whereas in America I start my day—when I have one off—by doing Ballet Beautiful with my friend Hatley Victoria-Newton. In L.A., it's all design for my collection with AG. I'm always traveling for work, and 70 percent of the time I'm jet-lagged. This month I've been in London, Paris, New York, L.A., and back to New York. The past year has been a real learning curve. If my diary doesn't have set things in it, it seems that people on other teams will take advantage of that and I'll split apart. It's the biblical story about how they [attempted to] split the baby in half because they couldn't decide whose it was. I feel like real life is like that.

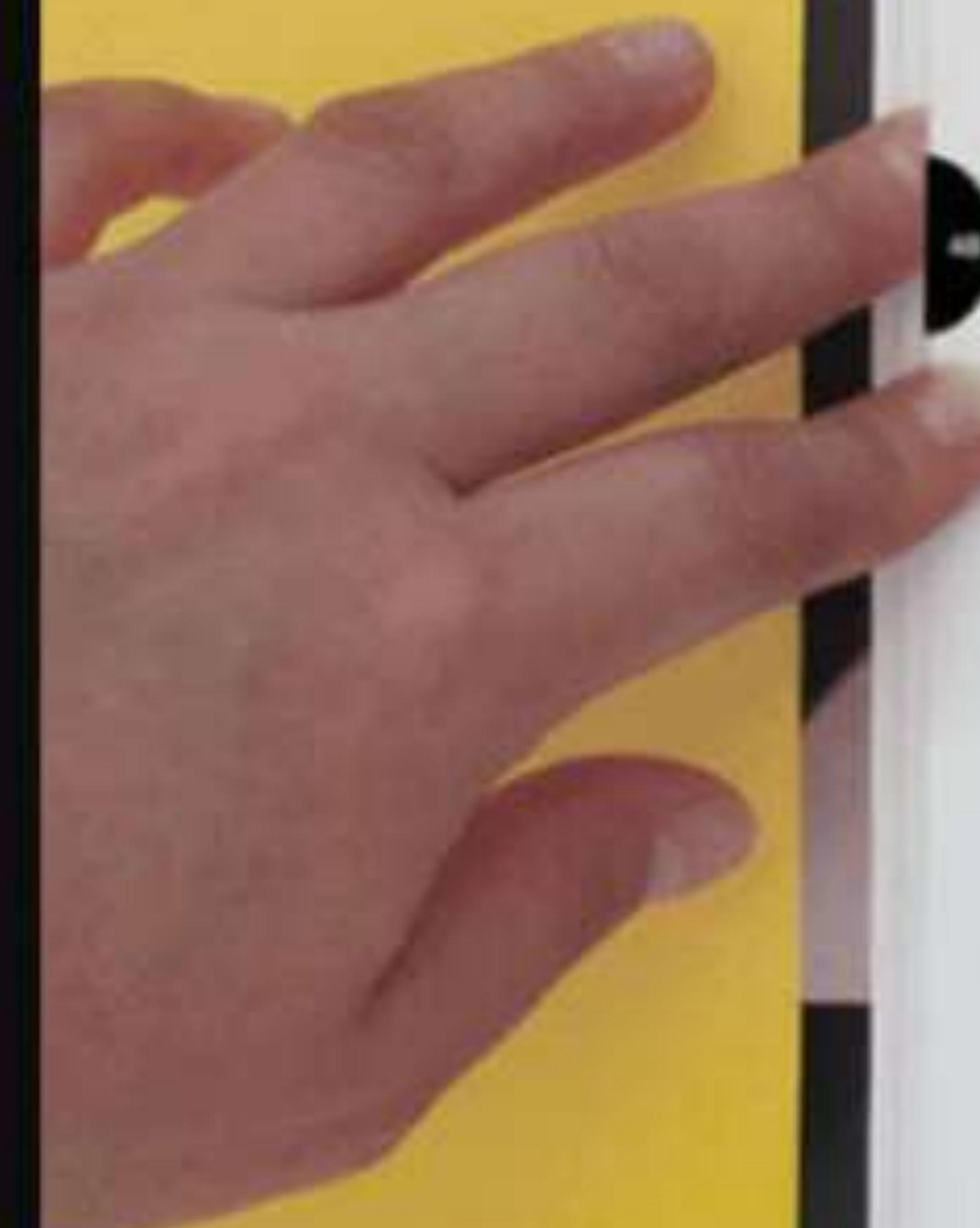
**11:30 A.M.** When I can I go to Jack's Wife Freda or to the Smile and get scrambled eggs with cheese and avocado. In New York, I'll take cab, Uber, the subway, or when we're going to a number of different things around the city, I get on the back of my assistant's Vespa. **1:30 P.M.** Realistically, I'm a journalist, but I want to do TV again. Someone said to me the other day: "Name someone who excelled in more than one arena. Alexa, you need to focus on one thing because you can't succeed if you do it simultaneously." I won't allow people to limit what

I do. In the afternoon, I might go back home and do some work. My assistant sends e-mails that say, "from the office of Alexa Chung," but my office is essentially my bed. That sounds really unprofessional, but it's usually just us two in bed cranking out e-mails. I go on Astrology Zone once a month, and I love the Secret Language of Birthdays. You put in your birthday and it comes back with a survey of people born on that day and their attributes—it's so spot-on, it's insane. I'm a Scorpio and from the Week of Depth I think it just means that I overthink things, and I'm reflective and dark.

**7:00 P.M.** My friend Tennessee Thomas has a shop called the Deep End Club in the East Village, so if I've finished my work I'll stop by. I'll likely be hungry at that point, so I'll pick up a cappuccino and a sandwich from across the road and take it in. I have a close group of friends, and if I invite one somewhere, I know that they'll invite the rest. I'm out every night with them—I don't like doing it for work. Half my life is spent at a dive bar and half is spent at, like, a Valentine dinner. Usually I'm lamenting that my shoes are ill-fitting. Last night I went to karaoke, but I can't talk about it anymore because I've become like a caricature. I went a number of times a week for about a year. When I like something I become obsessed with it, even, like, string cheese. Right now it's Lindt chocolate balls. **10:00 A.M.** I come home, get some water, wash my teeth and face, get into bed, and fall asleep. I always sleep naked. I'd like to be in bed with a boy at 10 p.m., but that's not what happens. **As told to Christine Whitney**

Connect the dots. THIS PAGE: Dress: Dolce & Gabbana. Nordstrom, 800-625-8000. Hat: Proenza Schouler. Jimmy Choo Nordstrom. OPPOSITE PAGE: Jacket and scarf: Saint Laurent by Hedi Slimane. 250-880-2970. Shirt: Vince. Nordstrom. Jeans: Alexa Chung for AG. [agjeans.com](http://agjeans.com). Shoes:

Jimmy Choo Nordstrom. See Where to Buy for shopping details. Hair: Tami Kono for Bumble and Bumble; makeup: Christelle Cocault for Lancôme; manicure: Gina Viviano for Chantecaille; set design: Rob Strunk Studio.



## THE TROUBLE WITH

With oil prices of oil soaring in the 1970s, consumers around the world called against high oil prices. The Gulf states are faced with the massive windfall from government revenues itself, because of the increased cost of oil.

Some indications that, this time, things are different. High savings will allow most governments to maintain relatively generous spending levels, at least for the medium term, and there are signs that they're willing to wind back costly public spending, most notably the UAE's move in July to end fuel subsidies.

In the situation, really that different though? The region's dependence on oil is once more in sharp focus. States exporting a single commodity with a volatile price are not unusual; their own economic diversity. Broader diversification would help insulate the non-oil economy from price shocks.

With oil prices deflating since the start of 2015—slipping dramatically for a second time from the beginning of July since again the Gulf faces fiscal deficits and spending cuts, which will impact on growth in the non-oil sector. There are

ernments since the 1970s, only the UK—and particularly Dubai—has made significant progress. A survey of opinions among economists, academics and industry professionals yields the view that progress elsewhere in the Gulf has been “slow”, “modest”, and even “meagre”.

To top it off, the most common used measure of diversification—the growth of non-oil sectors in the GDP—may tell us little about it. This metric can be deceptive since the high growth rates witnessed in recent years can be traced to the recycling of oil revenues through the economy, says Fouad Hasanein, an IMF economist based in Washington. That becomes apparent when you compare the economies of Bahrain and Singapore. In both you'll see diverse GDP structures, with a mix of oil and non-oil sectors. But cut to their export structure and the difference is stark: While Singapore has a broad mix—machinery and transport

equipment, refined hydrocarbons, and manufactured goods—in Bahrain's case 70 per cent of exports are oil, while an additional 16 per cent are metals and aluminium.

Across the Gulf, non-oil exports have grown from 13 to 30 per cent of non-oil GDP across 2000 to 2012, according to PwC Squires. But at the same time, export quality and export product diversification have stagnated. Much of the growth has come in capital intensive sectors—fertilisers, chemicals and metals—where investment tends to be state driven and centrally planned.

Global experience shows that growing non-energy exports in a commodity exporting economy is difficult because energy revenues have a distorting effect. After the Netherlands began exploiting the major Groningen gas field in 1959, its currency rose as did wages in the service sector, reducing the competitiveness of its export sectors, including manufacturing. This

It should be the foundation upon which diverse, sustainable economies are built—not an indispensable crutch. So why are Gulf states finding change so difficult?

By Sian Overdale

handful, such as Mexico, Indonesia, and Malaysia, which developed industry clusters before oil exports dropped. Hasanein and his colleague Rasha Cheif have co-authored a number of IMF discussion papers on diversification in the Gulf (whether their papers still their comments represent the official IMF line). They say that preparing the ground early is crucial, since it's not easy to quickly develop a non-oil tradable sector—made up of goods and services, typically high value, which companies can export—in addition to oil.

“It takes a long time, decades probably.” The Gulf has made huge strides in infrastructure and human development indicators such as education and health care, but while these investments are a precondition for diversification to take place, they don't guarantee it will. Roads, highways and ports can be used for activities such as imports and food delivery rather than for growing exports.

Look around the globe for diversification success stories and there are only a





An open book with two pages of Polish text. A dark, rectangular object, possibly a piece of furniture or a box, is placed on top of the left page, partially obscuring the text. The right page continues the narrative. The text discusses various regions and their characteristics, mentioning 'Anglia' and 'Irlandia'.

A close-up photograph of a blue and white striped bow tie. The tie has a repeating pattern of blue and white horizontal stripes. In the center of the knot, there is a small, dark blue rectangular label with the number '88' printed on it in a light color. The bow tie is set against a background of a white shirt with a subtle blue and white checkered pattern.

A photograph of a spiral-bound notebook with a yellow cover, showing several lined pages filled with handwritten notes. The handwriting is in blue ink, with some red and green ink used for headings or emphasis. The spiral binding is visible along the left edge.

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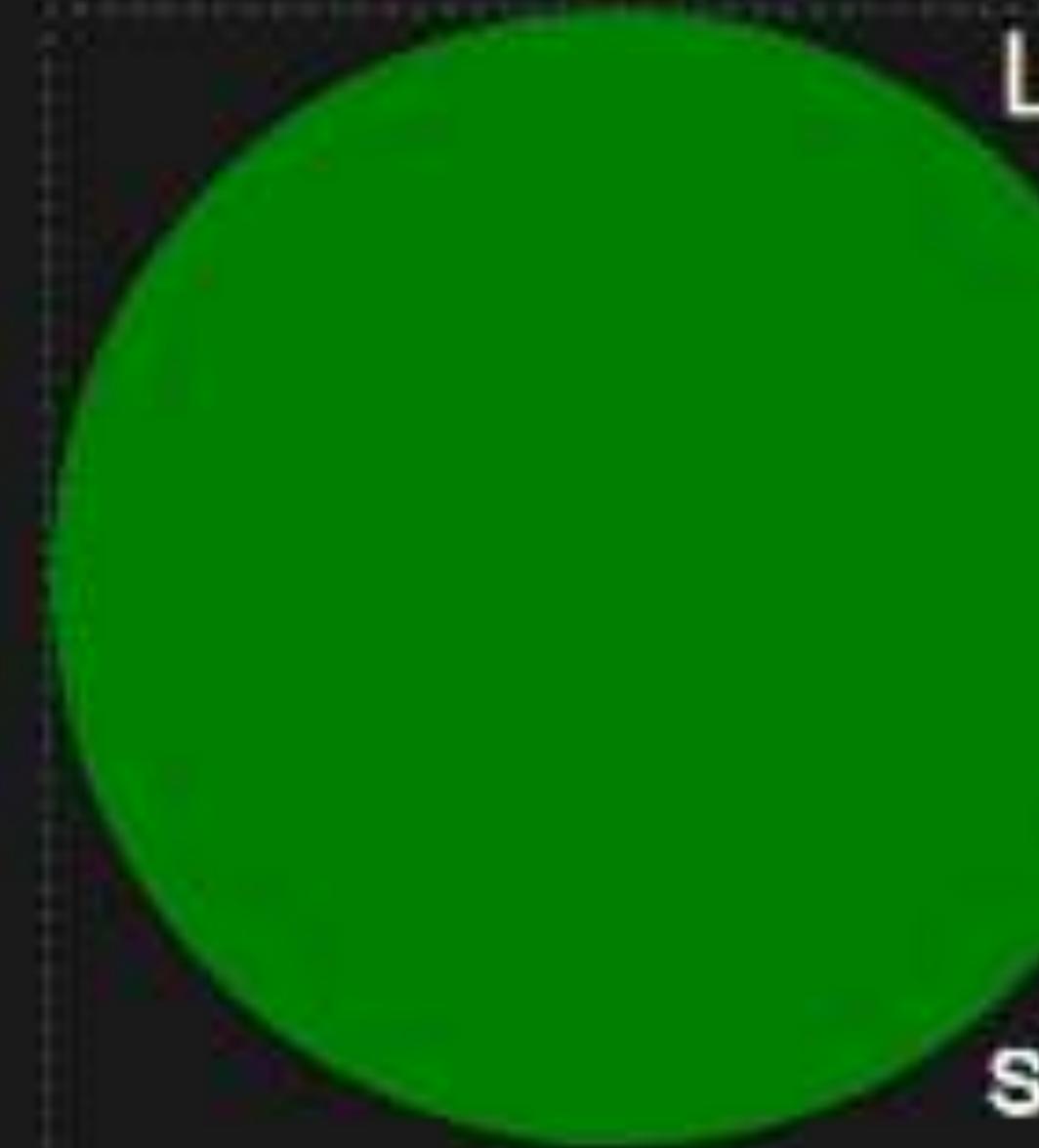


# CSS Shapes

Defines properties to control the geometry of an element's **float area**



# Basic shapes



Lollipop marshmallow lemon drops jujubes muffin fruitcake bonbon. Muffin carrot cake bear claw sweet roll tiramisu chocolate jelly beans toffee sweet roll. Biscuit candy sweet sweet powder tart bear claw. Tiramisu jelly beans apple pie donut topping dessert lemon drops gummies halvah.



Dessert pie dragée fruitcake chocolate oat cake donut muffin. Chocolate lemon drops cake muffin. Bonbon lemon drops chocolate fruitcake jujubes chupa chups sesame snaps sesame snaps pudding. Pastry chocolate jelly beans cake wafer.



Donut jelly toffee macaroon macaroon. Cookie sesame snaps chupa chups. Lollipop jelly lollipop brownie pastry gummi bears.



Gummi bears apple pie chupa chups jelly pie halvah pastry sweet. Cookie dessert sweet roll icing cheesecake macaroon wafer cheesecake. Toffee lemon drops apple pie fruitcake sweet roll chocolate cake jelly bear claw jelly. Donut tiramisu chocolate cake sesame snaps marshmallow tootsie roll candy canes cheesecake cotton candy.



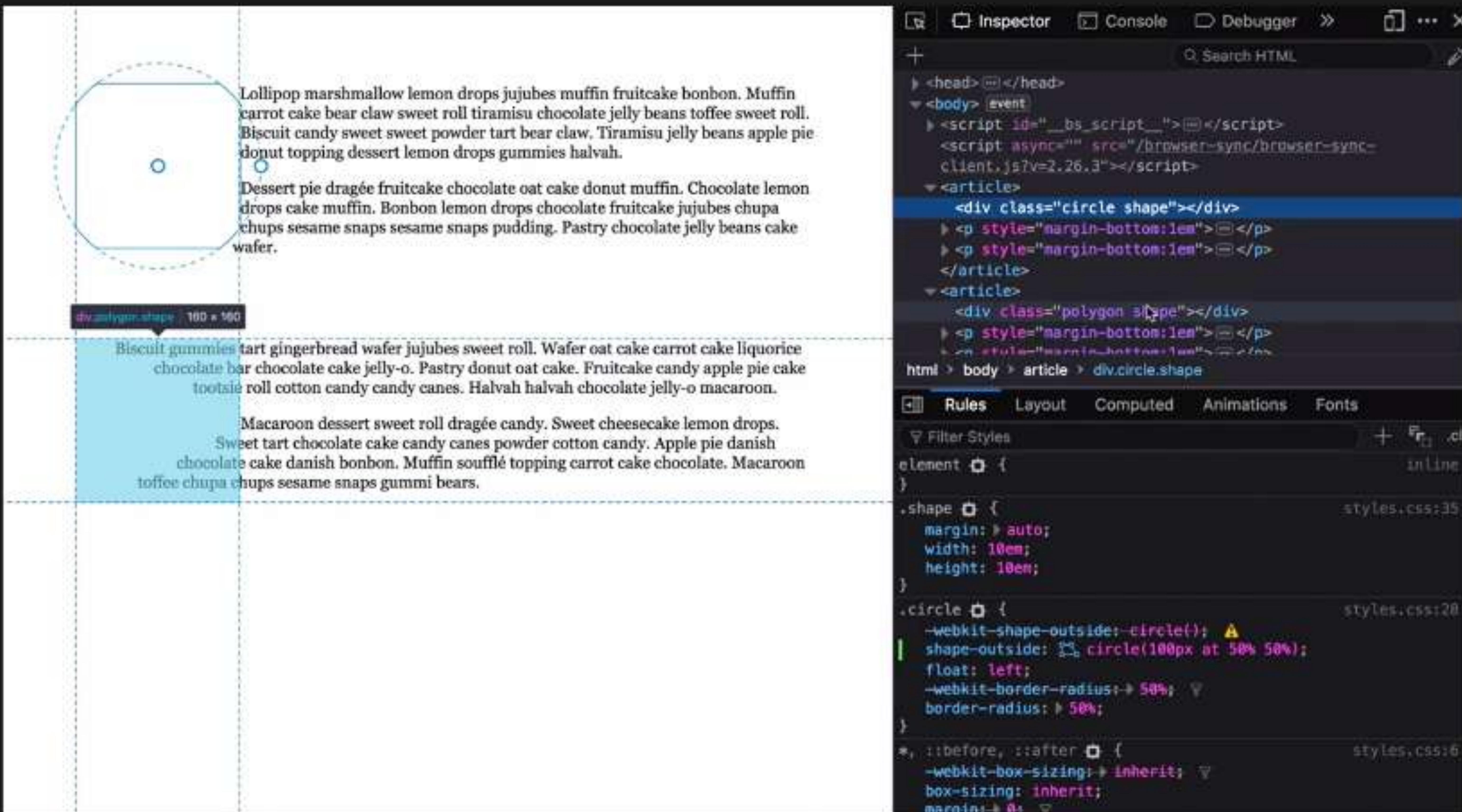
Cake powder croissant lollipop cotton candy tiramisu lollipop tiramisu. Cookie candy canes gummies iuiubes bonbon fruitcake ice cream dinaerbread. Marziban toffee carrot cake

```
.shapes-cont1 .circle {  
    shape-outside: circle();  
    float: left;  
    border-radius: 50%;  
}
```

```
.shapes-cont1 .shape.ellipse {  
    shape-outside: ellipse();  
    width: 7.5em;  
    float: left;  
    border-radius: 50%;  
}
```



# Firefox Shapes Editor



MDN: Edit Shape Paths in CSS



# Shape from image



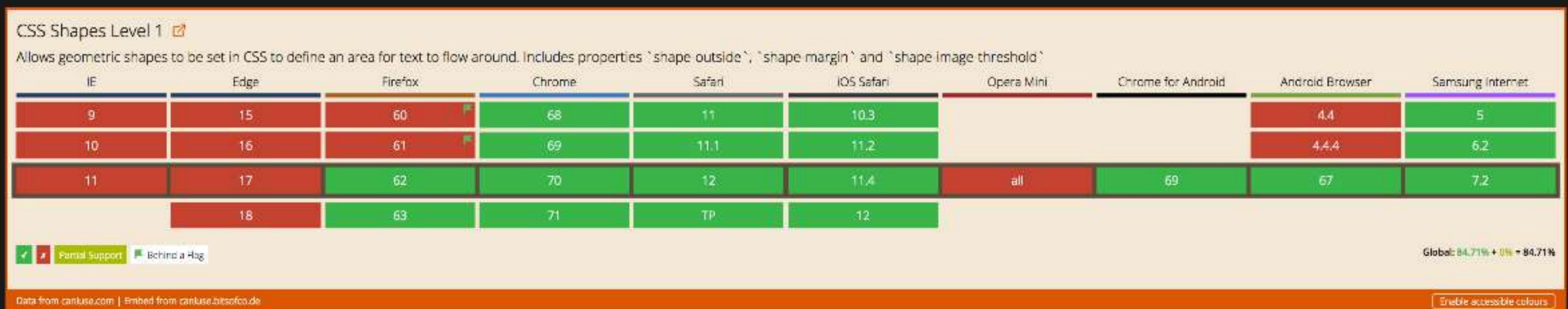
Lee Jun-fan (李振藩), known professionally as Bruce Lee, was a Hong Kong and American actor, film director, martial artist, martial arts instructor, philosopher and founder of the martial art Jeet Kune Do. He is widely considered by commentators, critics, media, and other martial artists to be one of the most influential martial artists of all time.

Lee was born in Chinatown, San Francisco, on November 27, 1940, to parents from Hong Kong, and was raised with his family in Kowloon, Hong Kong. He was introduced to the film industry by his father and appeared in several films as a child actor. Lee moved to the United States at the age of 18 to receive his higher education at the

```
.shapes-cont2 img {  
    shape-image-threshold: 0.5;  
    shape-margin: 0.3em;  
    shape-outside:  
        url('img/bruce2.png');  
    float: left;  
}
```



# Browser support



Vote for Shapes on WPDev User Voice



# Writing-mode

Defines CSS features to support for various **international writing modes**



聽水夷語 尹山方言

●建水夷語

- △指建麻達。(欲過不欲過) 挪。(水) 儒卑泥。(麻) 遂竹。(音) 儒卑麻  
泥。(羅不鳴) 蘭枯。(病) 阿迷。(小孫子) 阿蜜。(大嫂) 阿泥。(大姐) 阿賣。(父)  
換娘。(母) 夷莫。(錢) 瓦撻。(五) 倒瓦撻。(十五) 倒織。(十) 煙筒答些。  
(水吸煙) 抑多答西。(草喫水) 作咱。(食鹽) 些毒。(火) 十五。(地) 指達。(地)  
卡。(牛) 勒卡勒。(牛) 塞塞塞。(去) 麻千。(不懂) 枯魯。(飛翔) 機鉢。(肉)  
迷乃木。(鳥) 色木。(色) 惟活。(平) 廉扎。(沒有) 一多。(甚)

●尹山方言

- △我曰奴。你曰那。他曰遺。我們曰唔呢。你們曰唔篤。他們曰遺篤。富人曰發財人。貧人曰苦人。何處曰喎場化。此地曰個攤。彼地曰惠攤。父曰阿伯。母曰阿媽。祖父曰阿爺。祖母曰阿嬤。又曰好婆。嗚嗚。今日曰今朝。明日曰明朝。小兒曰強曰領皮。

莊世傑

- 伯曰老伯伯。叔曰阿叔。兄曰阿哥。弟曰兄弟。姊曰阿姐。妹曰妹子。夫稱妻曰屋裏向。妻稱夫曰當家人。銅元曰銅版。銀元曰洋鉛。紙幣曰洋票。無病曰強健。有病曰勿適道。作事不順曰勿識頭。又曰倒霉。屋大曰寬舒。謠言曰說鬼話。解說曰退退。現在曰個願。豬曰啞啞。今日曰今朝。明日曰明朝。小兒曰強曰領皮。

●設立兒童圖書館的商榷

曹樂澄

- △普及教育！普及教育！這種聲浪，真是一天高似一天。但我們要想實行這四個字，簡直比登天還要難。因為中國人的智識程度，實在太不興。要普及他們的智識，決非一朝一夕的事。自從五四學潮以後，中國人漸漸有些覺悟。你看各處設立了許多的平民義務學校，這便是普及教育的萌芽。但這種義務學校，究竟是少數人的力量，却是有

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# Kansai Yamamoto Fashion Avant-Garde - Art + Culture

## Japanese Contemporary Kimono - Classic

Kansai Yamamoto became known for his avant-garde designs in the late 1980s. Since his last collection in 1992, he has returned to kimono designs which caught the eye of David Bowie. He is also known as a designer of traditional Japanese garments who wore them on his Ziggy Stardust tour. In 2010 he also designed the Skyliner train.





# Vertical text

## Halt and Catch Fire

“Computers aren’t the thing. They’re the thing that gets us to the thing.”

“How did we all get here today? The choices we made, the sheer force of our will, something like that? Here’s another answer... the winds of fate. Random coincidence, some unseen hand just pushing us along. Destiny.”

What are you searching for?

```
.wm-cont1 .vert-rl {  
  writing-mode: vertical-rl;  
  color: #f48136;  
}  
  
.wm-cont1 .vert-lr {  
  writing-mode: vertical-lr;  
  color: #f9d056;  
}  
  
.wm-cont1 .upright {  
  text-orientation: ;  
  font-size: ;
```

# Vertical headers

The screenshot shows a website layout with a dark background. On the left, the title 'PGHK stories' is displayed vertically in white. To the right, there is a large, light-colored rectangular area containing several vertical bars, each with a different color and text. From top to bottom, the colors of the bars are red, teal, yellow, and black. The text on these bars includes:  
Red bar: Slim waist no good?  
Teal bar: Han-na, han-naa  
Yellow bar: Not yet k-ouk  
Black bar: Why build this site?  
At the very bottom of the page, there is a horizontal row of four dark blue rectangular boxes, each containing a small amount of text in a light color.

Have a story? [Send it in!](#)

PGHK stories

Slim waist no good?

Han-na, han-naa

Not yet k-ouk

Why build this site?

Cook

Danase

A guidebook

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# Vertical tags

The screenshot shows a dark-themed website for "Wismut Labs". At the top, there's a navigation bar with "Wismut Labs" and a purple logo. Below the logo are links for "Capabilities", "Partners", "Blog" (which is underlined), and "Contact". The main content area features a section titled "Cognition" with the subtitle "the Wismut Labs engineering blog". A white rectangular box contains a post: "posted on Apr 24, 2017" followed by the title "Building for cross-browser compatibility". Below the title is a descriptive text: "This is the third post of a multi-part series about developing the brand identity for Wismut Labs." To the right of the post, a yellow vertical bar contains the word "Front-end". In the bottom right corner of the image, there are small yellow navigation arrows.

Wismut Labs

Capabilities Partners Blog Contact

Cognition  
the Wismut Labs engineering blog

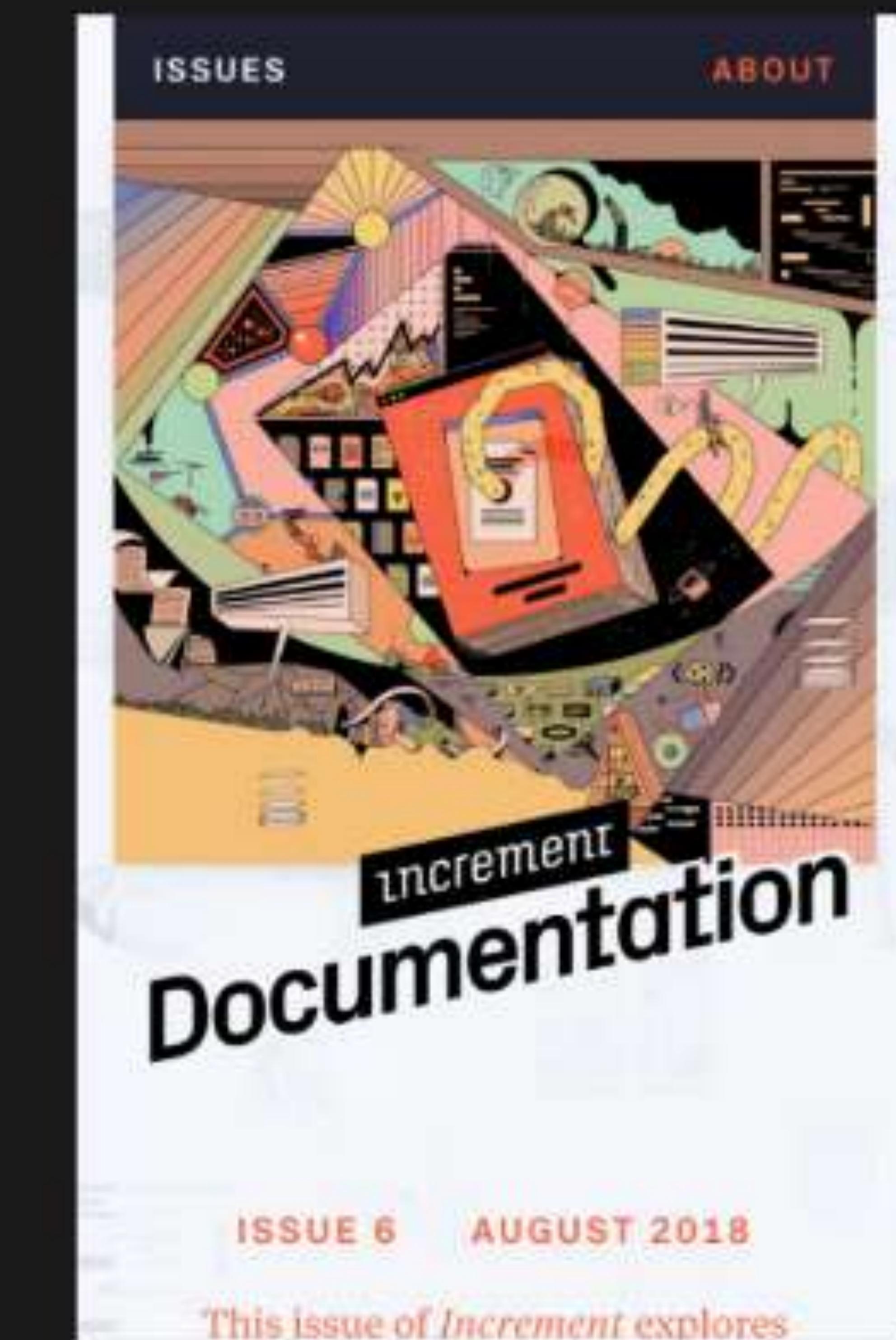
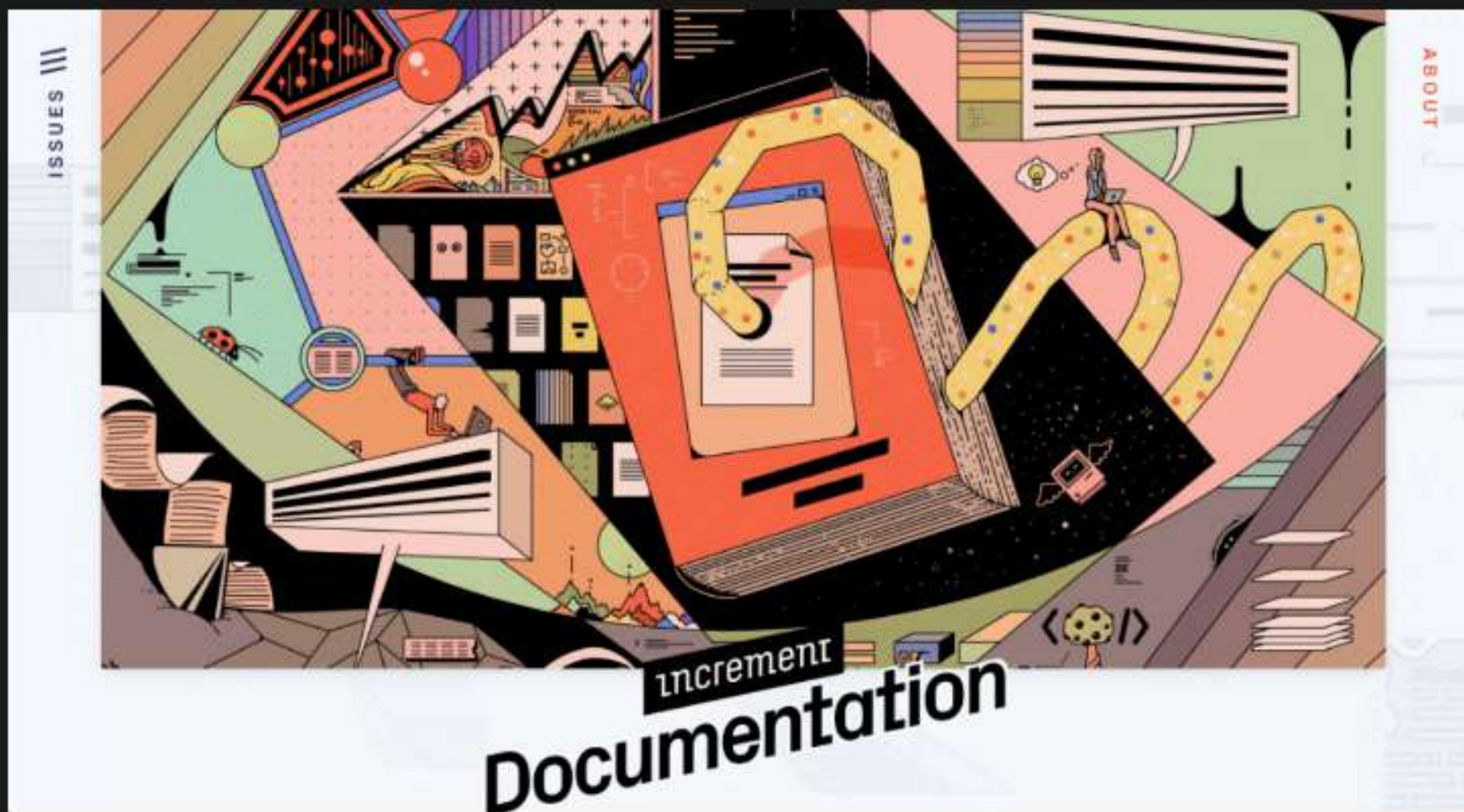
posted on Apr 24, 2017

**Building for cross-browser compatibility**

*This is the third post of a multi-part series about developing the brand identity for Wismut Labs.*

Front-end

# Vertical links



# Vertical navigation

EPYPHITE

Without roots.  
Everywhere.

ABOUT US

PRODUCTS

SERVICES

OUR PHILOSOPHY

BLOG

CONTACT

- Waiting...
- Waiting...
- Waiting...
- Waiting...

WAITING...

WAITING...

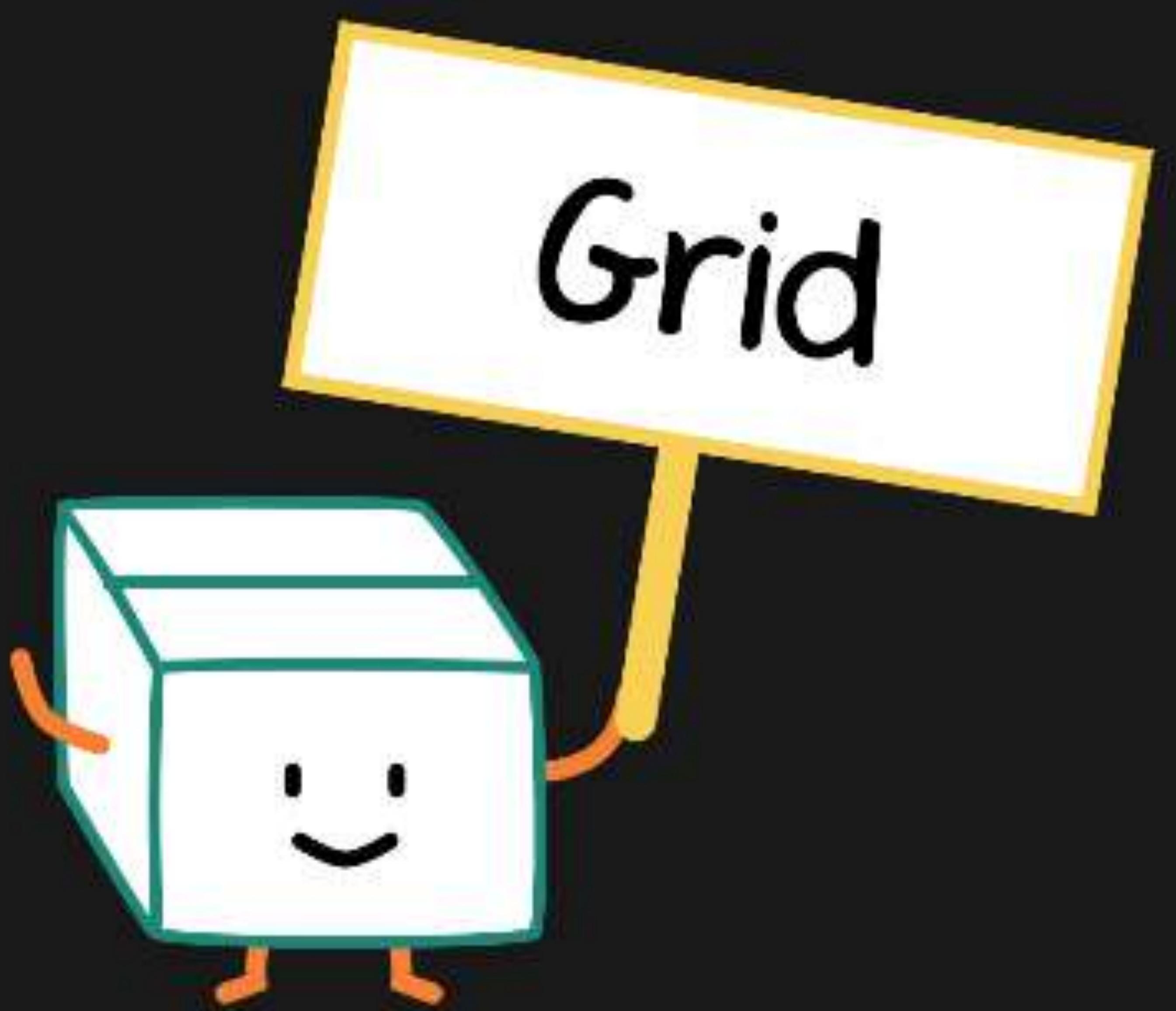


CHENHUIJING-PC





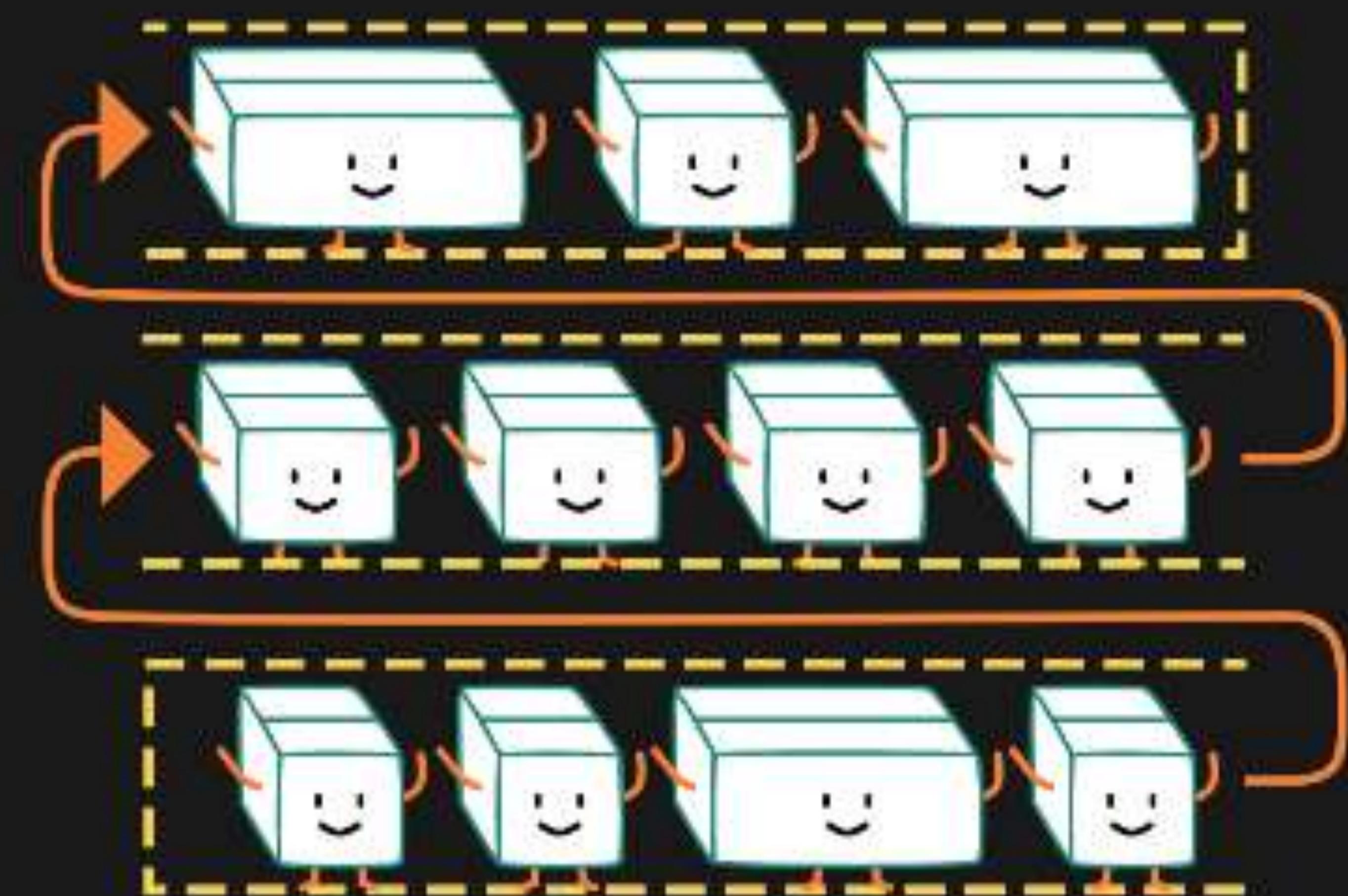
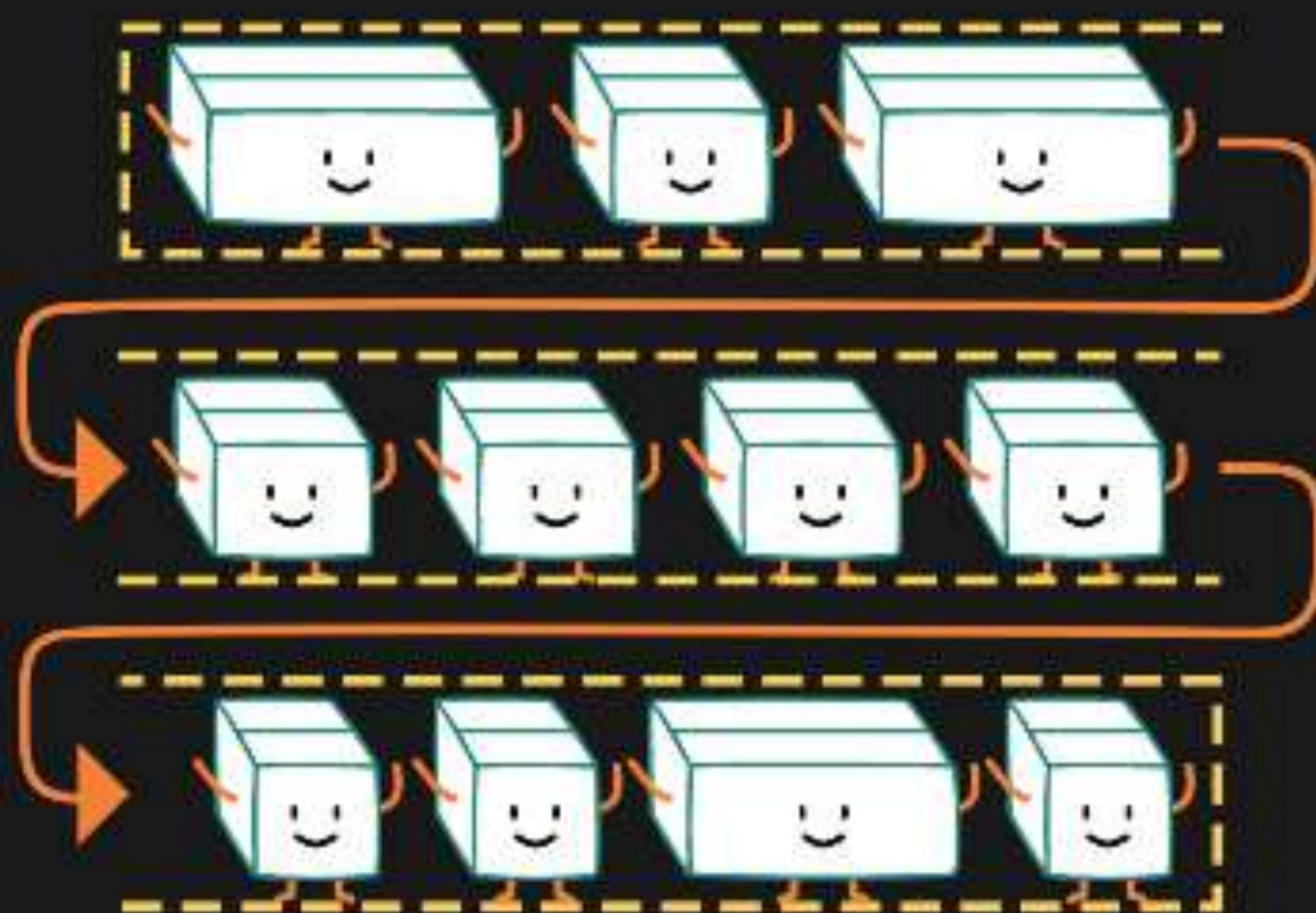
Box  
Alignment



# Flexbox

Provides “simple and powerful tools for **distributing space** and **aligning content** in ways that web apps and complex web pages often need.”

# Flex lines



# Auto-margins



```
.automargin {  
  display: flex;  
}  
  
.automargin div {  
  border: 1px solid;  
}
```



# Flexbox layouts (1/2)



```
.flex-cont ul {  
  display: flex;  
  flex-wrap: wrap;  
  align-items: center;  
}
```

```
.flex-cont li {  
  flex: 1 0 auto;  
  // border: 1px solid;  
}
```

```
.flex-cont img {  
  width: 100%;
```



# Flexbox layouts (2/2)



```
// justify-content: center;  
// align-items: center;  
}  
  
.flex-cont2 li {  
    // border: 1px solid;  
    flex: auto;  
}  
  
.flex-cont2 img {  
    width: 5em;  
    height: calc(100% - 0.5em);  
    object-fit: cover;  
    margin: 0 0.25em 0.
```



# calc() and object-fit browser support

## CSS3 object-fit/object-position ↗

Method of specifying how an object (image or video) should fit inside its box. object-fit options include "contain" (fit according to aspect ratio), "fill" (stretches object to fill) and "cover" (overflows box but maintains ratio), where object position allows the object to be repositioned like background-image does.

IE	Edge	Firefox	Chrome	Safari	iOS Safari	Opera Mini	Chrome for Android	Android Browser	Samsung Internet
9	15	60	68	11	10.3		4.4	5	
10	16	61	69	11.1	11.2		4.44	6.2	
11	17	62	70	12	11.4	all	6.9	7.2	
	18	63	71	TP	12				

✓ Partial Support ✘ Prefixed

Data from caniuse.com | Embed from caniuse.bitsofcode.de

Global: 89.38% + 2.33% = 91.71%

Enable accessible colours

## calc() as CSS unit value ↗

Method of allowing calculated values for length units, i.e. 'width: calc(100% - 3em)'

IE	Edge	Firefox	Chrome	Safari	iOS Safari	Opera Mini	Chrome for Android	Android Browser	Samsung Internet
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11	17	62	70	12	11.4	all	6.9	7.2	
	18	63	71	TP	12				

✓ Partial Support ✘

Global: 92.31% + 0.66% = 92.97%

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Enable accessible colours



# CSS Grid

Defines a **two-dimensional** grid-based layout system,  
optimized for user interface design

# Flexible tracks with fr

Represents a **fraction** of the **free space** in the grid container.



```
.fr {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: 150px  
  1fr 2fr;  
}
```



# Fluid CSS grid

```
.container {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(3, 3fr 2fr);  
}
```



# Flexible tracks with minmax()

Defines a **size range** for columns or rows in the grid.

Item A

Item B

Item C

```
.minmax {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
  minmax(300px, 1fr) 300px  
  300px;  
}
```



# The repeat() function

To specify a large number of columns or rows that follow a similar pattern

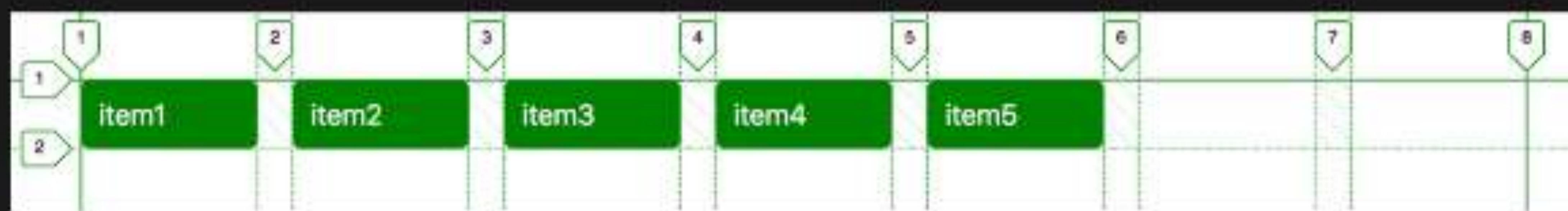
Item							
------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------

```
.repeat {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
  repeat(4, 110px 165px);  
}
```

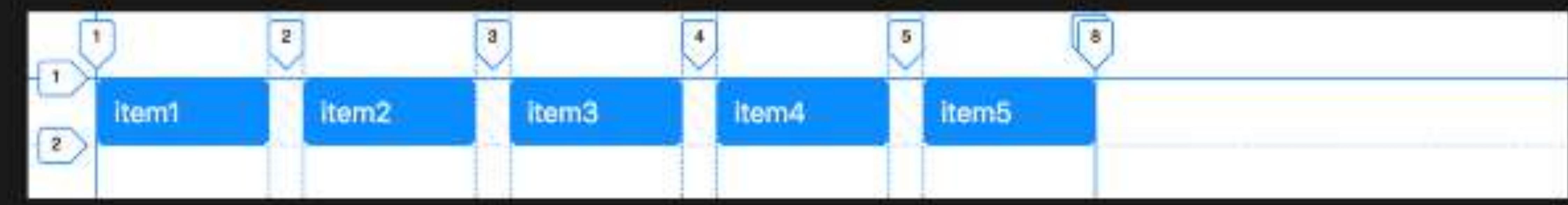


# auto-fill vs. auto-fit

Allow browser to determine how many tracks to create depending on track size.



```
repeat(auto-fill, 100px)
```



```
repeat(auto-fit, 100px)
```

auto-fit collapses empty tracks.



# auto-fill versus auto-fit

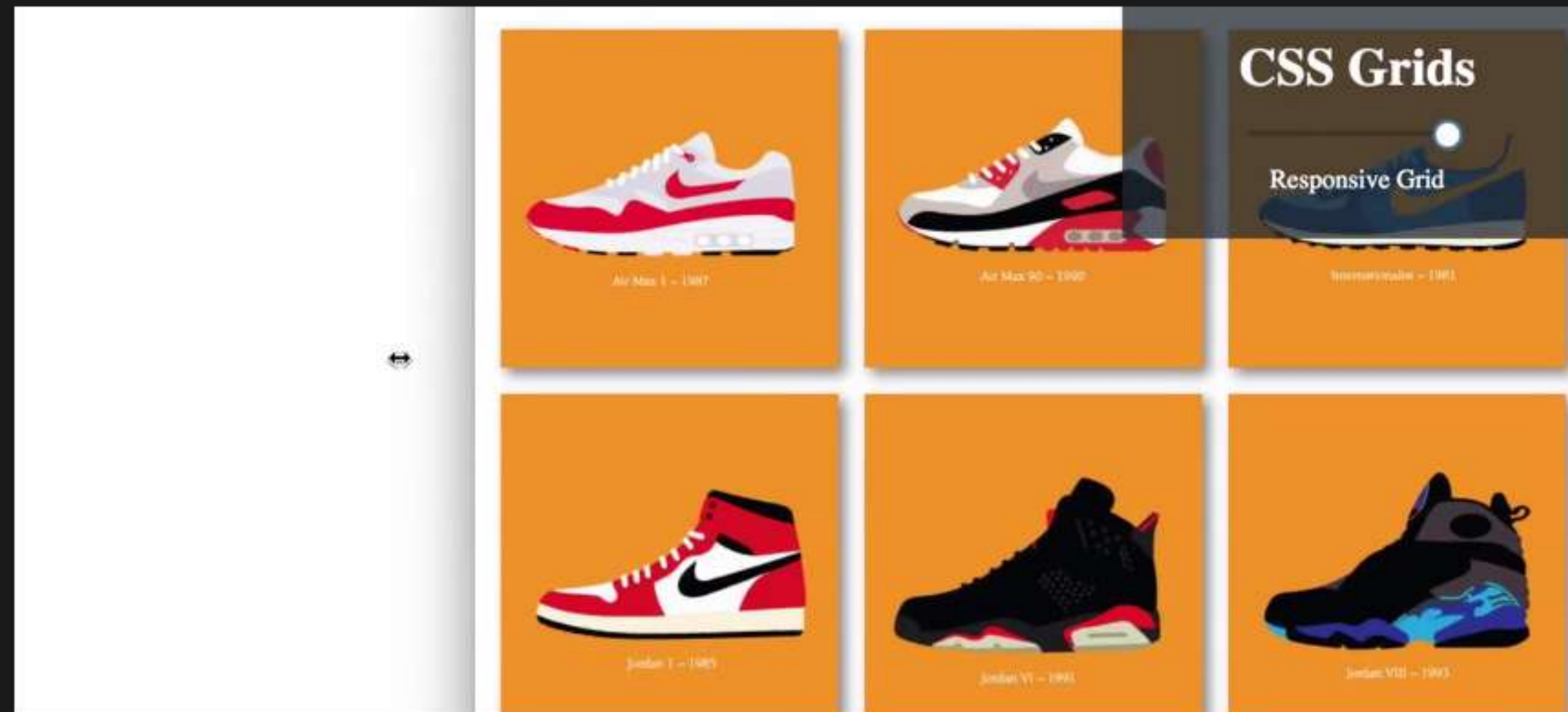
A	B	C	D	E	F
---	---	---	---	---	---

```
.keyword {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
  repeat(auto-fill,  
  minmax(150px, 1fr));  
}
```



# Responsive grid without media queries

```
.container {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(auto-fill, minmax(10em, 1fr));  
}
```



# The implicit grid

A	B	C
D	E	F
G	H	I
J	K	L

```
.implicit {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: 200px  
  200px 200px; /* three columns */  
  grid-template-rows: 200px  
  200px; /* two rows */  
  grid-auto-columns: ;  
}  
  
.j {  
  grid-column: ;  
}
```



# The grid-auto-flow property

Adjusting the direction and density of grid items



```
.autoflow {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
  repeat(auto-fit, minmax(120px,  
  1fr));  
  grid-auto-rows: 120px;  
  grid-auto-flow: row;  
}  
  
.autoflow__item:nth-child(3n)  
{  
  background-color: #f48136;  
  grid-column-end: span 2;  
}
```



# Firefox Grid Inspector (1/2)

The screenshot shows a Firefox Nightly window displaying a page about Braun HiFi studio Anlagen. The page features a grid layout with various components like speakers, a turntable, and a lamp. The Firefox developer tools are open, specifically the Grid Inspector panel, which highlights the grid structure with green dashed lines and numbered markers (1 through 11) indicating the flow of the grid areas. The browser's status bar at the top right shows system information including battery level (60%), signal strength (1470 rpm), and the date/time (15 Oct 17:03).

**Braun HiFi studio Anlagen**

Als HiFi Spitzengeräte auf dem Weltmarkt erreichen Braun studio Anlagen das höchste Ziel: Musik so zu übertragen, wie sie wirklich ist.

Um diese so selbstverständliche scheinende Aufgabe in ihrer vollen Konsequenz zu lösen, bedurfte es jahrelanger Forschung, strengster Auswahl modernster elektronischer Bauelemente und Anwendung neuartiger Konstruktionen.

Braun studio Anlagen bestehen aus HiFi Komponenten, die man je nach Anspruch auf zumgröße individuell zusammenstellen kann. Jeder Baustein passt zum anderen, technisch und formal.

**BRAUN**

**Inspector**   **Console**   **Debugger**

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en"> (event)
  > <head> ... </head>
  > <div id="ghostery-purple-box" class="ghostery-bottom ghostery-right ghostery-collapsed"> ... </div>
  > <body>
    > <header class="pager"> ... </header>
    > <main>
      > <div id="anlagen" class="braun_anlagen"> grid
        > <h1> ... </h1>
        > <div> ... </div>
        > 
        > 
        > <div> ... </div>
      > </div>
    > </body>
  > </html>
```

**Rules**   **Layout**   **Computed**   **Animations**   **Fonts**

**element**  **braun**  **.anlagen**

**styles.css:1** `grid` `grid-template-columns: 18.75em 4fr 1fr 1fr;` `grid-template-rows: calc((100vh - 3em)/3) calc((100vh - 3em)/3) calc((100vh - 3em)/3);` `grid-template-areas: "title key . ." "text key detail1 detail2" "text . detail3 .";`

**grid-template-areas: "title key . ." "text key detail1 detail2" "text . detail3 .";**

# Firefox Grid Inspector (2/2)

Braun HiFi posters web-ified

https://www.chenhuijing.com/demos/grids-braun/

## Braun HiFi studio Anlagen

title

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text

key

key

detail1

detail2

balance

detail3

BRAUN

grid

Inspector Console Debugger > Search HTML

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en"> event
> <head> ...</head>
<body>
> <header class="pager">...</header>
<main>
> <div id="anlagen" class="braun anlagen"> grid
> <h1>...</h1>
> <div>...</div>




































































































```

Rules Layout Computed Animations Fonts

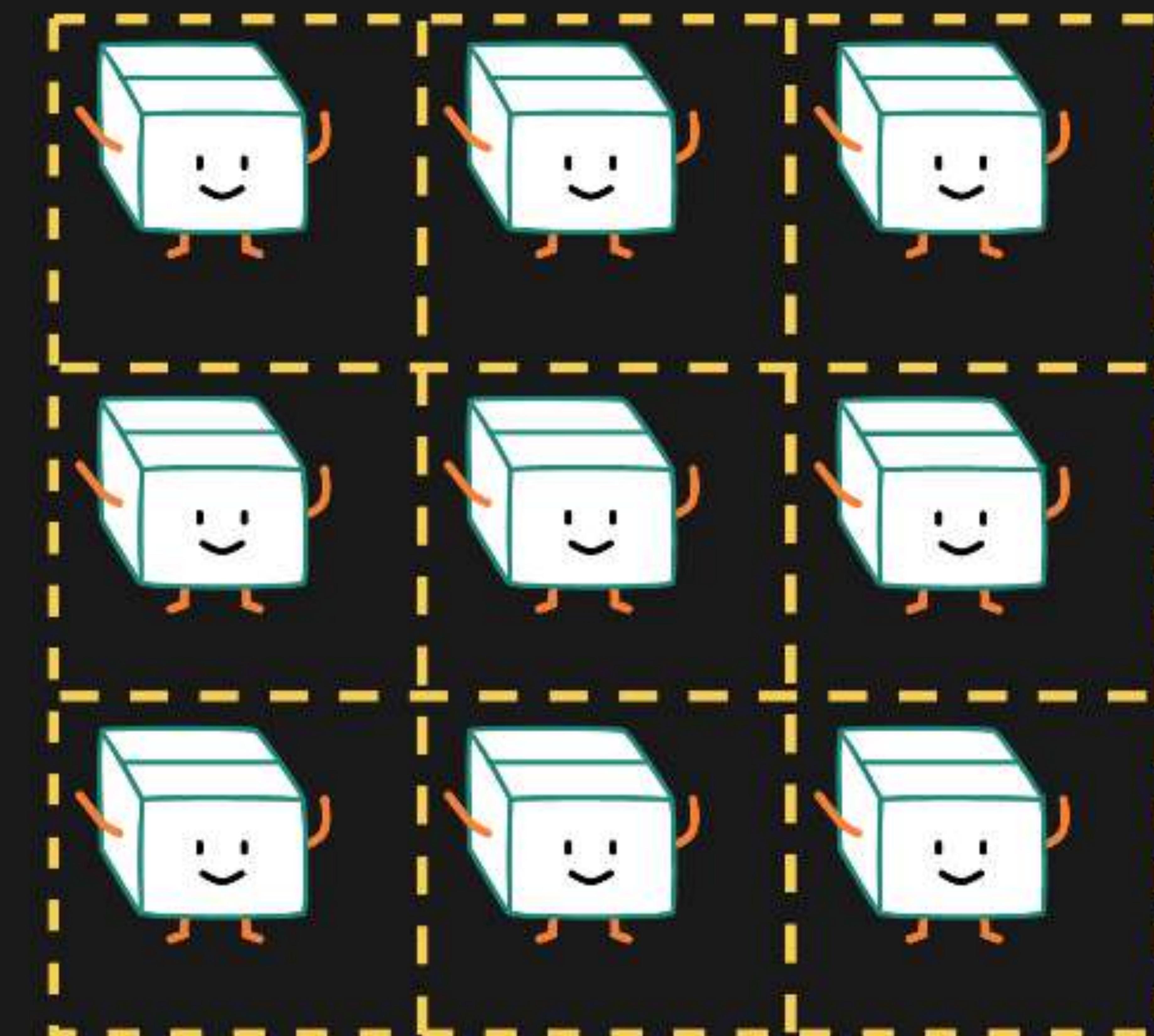
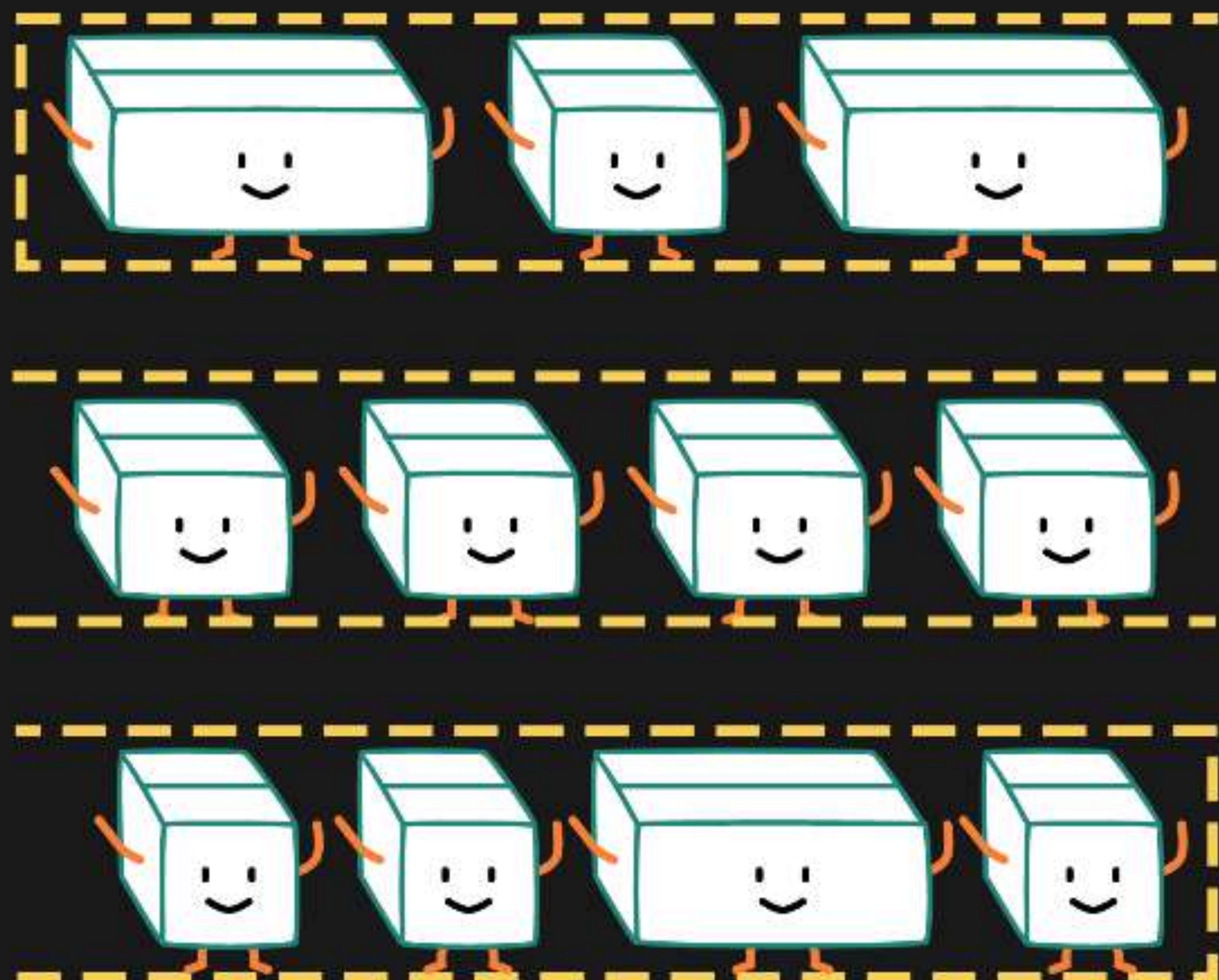
Select a Flex container or item to continue.

Grid

Overlay Grid

Grid Display Settings

- div#anlagen.braun.anlagen
- Display line numbers
- Display area names
- Extend lines infinitely



**“ They no longer ‘listen’ to circumstances; they ‘recite their circumstances’.**

—Bruce Lee



✓	animation	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-delay	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-direction	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-duration	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-fill-mode	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-iteration-count	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-name	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-play-state	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	animation-timing-function	CSS Animations Level 1	WD
✓	appearance	CSS Basic User Interface Module Level 4	WD
✓	azimuth	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-attachment	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background-attachment	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-blend-mode	Compositing and Blending Level 1	CR
✓	background-clip	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-color	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background-color	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-image	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background-image	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-origin	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-position	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background-position	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR
✓	background-repeat	CSS 2.1	REC
✓	background-size	CSS Backgrounds and Borders Module Level 3	CR



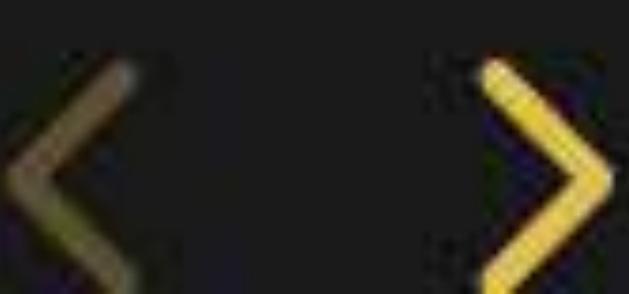
# Really recommended reading

- [CSS Isn't Black Magic](#)
- [Six Layout Myths Busted](#)
- [List of CSS properties, both proposed and standard](#)
- [CSS Inheritance, The Cascade And Global Scope: Your New Old Worst Best Friends](#)
- [History of Flexbox](#)
- [Use cases for Flexbox](#)
- [11 things I learned reading the flexbox spec](#)
- [Deep Dive into Grid Layout Placement](#)
- [CSS Grid Layout and positioned items](#)
- [Powerful New Additions to the CSS Grid Inspector in Firefox Nightly](#)
- [There are maps for these territories](#)
- [The Way We Talk About CSS](#)



“ True observation begins when one is devoid of set patterns, and freedom of expression occurs when one is beyond systems. ”

—Bruce Lee



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