

Making Things Better

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Redefining the **technical possibilities** of CSS

“Tableless web design”

The move from tables to CSS for layout meant simplifying our designs.

MINIMA CLASSIC

MINAMA CLASSIC IS OLD BLOGGER TEMPLATE DESIGN.

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What is Lorem Ipsum Dolor Sit Amet?

Lorem ipsum is a placeholder text (filler text) in publishing and graphic design. It is used to demonstrate the graphics elements of a document, such as font, typography, and layout. The lorem ipsum text is usually a section of a Latin text by Cicero with words altered, added and removed to make it nonsensical. Lorem ipsum text is used in mock-ups of visual design projects before the actual words are put into the finished product. This is often called greeking.

The distribution of letters in lorem ipsum is close to that in English language. This way, you can see what your own text would look like in that graphic format. The most common lorem ipsum text reads as follows: Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.

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What we see as good web design is rooted in the **technical limitations of CSS2**

How we see the web is still
informed by those early
days.

“The web is not print”

“[I] accepted that CSS is just hacks over top of a document model that was never designed to be used like it is today”

- Bailey Ling

<http://bling.github.io/blog/2013/04/13/dot-net-slash-wpf-to-html-slash-css-slash-javascript/>

We have solved many of
those problems

That doesn't mean we got all of them!

**You never know how tall
anything is on the web.**

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**We hacked round the
problem**

stretch

Default value of align-items.

```
.container {  
  display: flex;  
}
```

The default behaviour of these methods is the thing we struggled with for so long.

How big is this box?

CSS IS
AWESOME



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Graduating To Grid

<https://aneventapart.com/news/post/graduating-to-grid-by-rachel-andrew-aea-video>



<length-percentage>

Our previous layout systems rely on everything having a length, or a percentage which resolves to a length.

“Flexbox is weird!”

- People on the internet.

Flexbox isn't the layout
method you **think it is.**

Flexbox

I have a bunch of different sized things to lay out.

CSS IS OK REALLY

CSS PUT MY CAT IN A BOX



CSS IS AWESOME

CSS IS
OK
REALLY

CSS PUT MY
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CSS IS
AWESOME

Not everything requires a
CSS hack.

CSS may have solved your problem.

“it just blew my mind that someone thought the default behavior should be to just have the text honk right out of the box, instead of just making the box bigger”

Steven Frank (creator of the meme)

- <https://css-tricks.com/css-is-awesome/#comment-1609829>

CSS tries to avoid data loss

In CSS terms that would mean making some content vanish.

Safe & Unsafe alignment

Giving you the choice about prioritizing alignment over potentially vanishing content.

safe

Tells the browser to align start if data loss would occur.

```
.container {  
  display: flex;  
  flex-direction: column;  
  align-items: safe center;  
}
```

safe

Tells the browser to align start if data loss would occur.

One

Two
Two

Three Three Three

unsafe

I want my specified alignment even if it causes data loss.

```
.container {  
  display: flex;  
  flex-direction: column;  
  align-items: unsafe center;  
}
```

unsafe

I want my specified alignment even if it causes data loss.

One

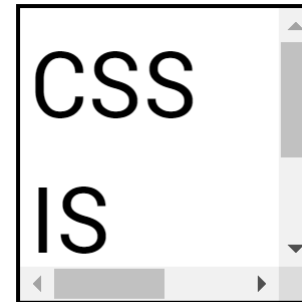
Two
Two

Three

Overflow happens

Overflow

Choose your solution



min-content & max-content

Solving the “content honking out of the box” problem.

min-content

A box that is wide enough for the content, but not wider.

```
.awesome {  
  width: min-content;  
}
```

min-content

A box that is wide enough for the content, but not wider.

CSS IS
AWESOME

max-content

A box that is as big as the content can be.

```
.awesome {  
  width: max-content;  
}
```

max-content

A box that is as big as the content can be.

CSS IS AWESOME

break-word

Breaking words, making the box taller not wider.

```
.awesome {  
  overflow-wrap: break-word;  
}
```


break-word

Breaking words, making the box
taller not wider.

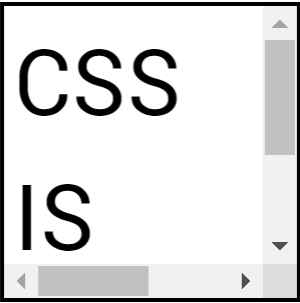
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Choices!



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Choose your solution

vertical

CSS being awesome in
another dimension

CSS IS
AWESOME

The web is not left to right

Flexbox & Grid

Take an agnostic approach to the writing mode of the document.

grid-area

All four lines at once

```
.item {  
  grid-area: 1 1 4 2;  
}
```

Floats, positioning, margins, borders, padding

All defined using physical terms – top, left, bottom, right

Logical Properties & Values

<https://www.w3.org/TR/css-logical-1/>

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bean potato quandong celery.



width

writing-mode

Change the writing mode of a document or a component.

```
.container {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
    100px 100px 300px;  
  grid-gap: 10px;  
  width: 700px;  
  writing-mode: vertical-rl;  
}
```

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width

inline-size

Maps to **width** when horizontal and
height when vertical

```
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  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
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  grid-gap: 10px;  
  inline-size: 700px;  
  writing-mode: vertical-rl;  
}
```

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inline-size

A diagram illustrating the concept of 'inline-size'. It features a horizontal double-headed arrow on the left side, with the text 'inline-size' centered below it. To the right of the arrow is a large dashed-line rectangle. Inside this rectangle, there are three smaller rounded rectangular boxes containing text. The top box is the largest and contains a list of vegetables. The middle box is smaller and contains a subset of the text from the top box. The bottom box is the largest and contains the full list of vegetables from the top box.

inline-size

Be awesome in both dimensions
without changing the code.

```
.awesome {  
  inline-size: min-content;  
}
```

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CSS Logical Properties and Values

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Guides

- Basic concepts of Logical Properties and Values
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- Logical properties for margins, borders and padding
- Logical properties for sizing

Properties

- block-size
- border-block-end
- border-block-end-color
- border-block-end-style
- border-block-end-width

CSS Logical Properties and Values is a module of [CSS](#) introducing logical properties and values that provide the ability to control layout through logical, rather than physical, direction and dimension mappings.

The module also defines logical properties and values for properties previously defined in [CSS 2.1](#). Logical properties define direction-relative equivalents of their corresponding physical properties.

Block vs. inline

Logical properties and values use the abstract terms *block* and *inline* to describe the direction in which they flow. The physical meaning of these terms depends on the [writing mode](#).

Block dimension

The dimension perpendicular to the flow of text within a line, i.e., the vertical dimension in horizontal writing modes, and the horizontal dimension in vertical writing modes. For standard English text, it is the vertical dimension.

Inline dimension

The dimension parallel to the flow of text within a line, i.e., the horizontal dimension in horizontal writing modes, and the vertical dimension in vertical writing modes. For standard English text, it is the horizontal dimension.

Solutions need to include **different writing modes**

We're not in the business of making things better only for a top to bottom, left to right web.

There is no fold

Drew McLellan @media 2007



We know where **the fold is**

Viewport Units

Representing the height and width of the current viewport

100vw

100% of the viewport width

100vh

100% of the viewport height

Balloons!



Viewport Units

Two rows plus gap = 100vh

```
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-gap: 2vh;  
  grid-template-columns:  
    5vw 1fr 1fr 5vw 5vw 1fr 1fr 5vw;  
  grid-template-rows:  
    60vh 38vh 49vh 49vh 49vh 49vh;  
}
```




CSS Scroll Snap

<https://www.w3.org/TR/css-scroll-snap-1/>

```
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  scroll-snap-type: y mandatory;  
  overflow-y: scroll;  
  height: 100vh;  
}  
  
.a {  
  grid-column: 2 / 5;  
  grid-row: 1 ;  
  scroll-snap-align: start;  
}
```

Paged vs Continuous Media

Grid & Subgrid

What next for Grid Layout?



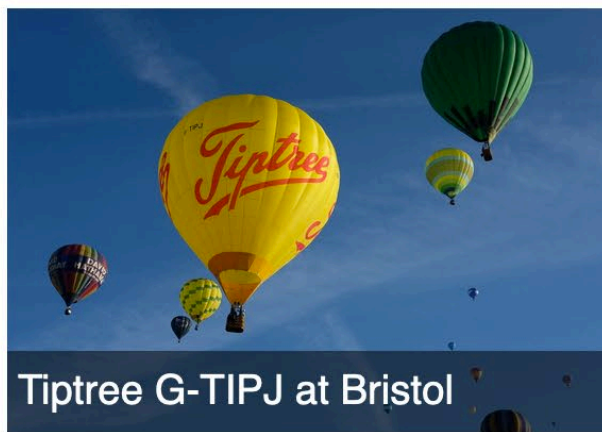
Bristol Balloon Fiesta balloons



Hot air balloon



The G-PURP Balloon



Tiptree G-TIPJ at Bristol



Balloons in Albuquerque



Balloons



Packing a balloon



1

2

3

4

5

-1



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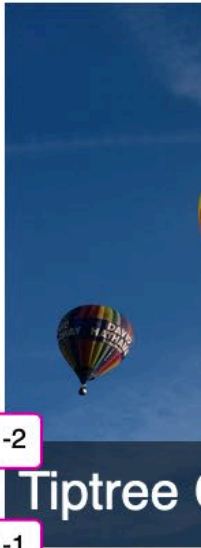
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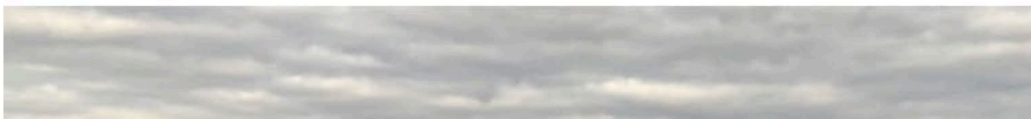
Hot air b



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Tiptree C

-1



Tiptree C

Nesting grids

A grid item can become a grid.

```
.box {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-rows: 1fr auto;  
}  
  
.box img {  
  height: 100%;  
  width: 100%;  
  object-fit: cover;  
  grid-row: 1 / 3;  
  grid-column: 1;  
}
```




Bristol Balloon Fiesta balloons



Hot air balloon



The G-PURP Balloon at Bristol Balloon Fiesta



Tiptree G-TIPJ at Bristol



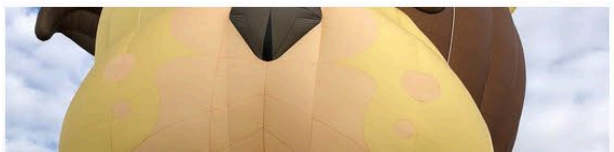
Balloons in Albuquerque



Balloons photographed as we took off from Balloon Fiesta Field



Packing a balloon



**You never know how tall
anything is on the web.**

My document

A container with two direct children

```
<div class="container">  
  <ul>  
    <li>...</li>  
    <li>...</li>  
    <li>...</li>  
  </ul>  
  <div class="item">...</div>  
</div>
```

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I am not part of the list and am a direct child of the grid container.

display: grid

Causes direct children to become grid items.

```
.container {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns:  
    1fr 1fr 1fr;  
  grid-gap: 10px;  
}
```

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I am not part of the list and am
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container.

display: contents

Remove a box from the visual display allowing grandchildren to act like direct children.

```
ul {  
  display: contents;  
}
```

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a direct child of the grid
container.

subgrid

The nested grid should use the tracks defined on the parent.

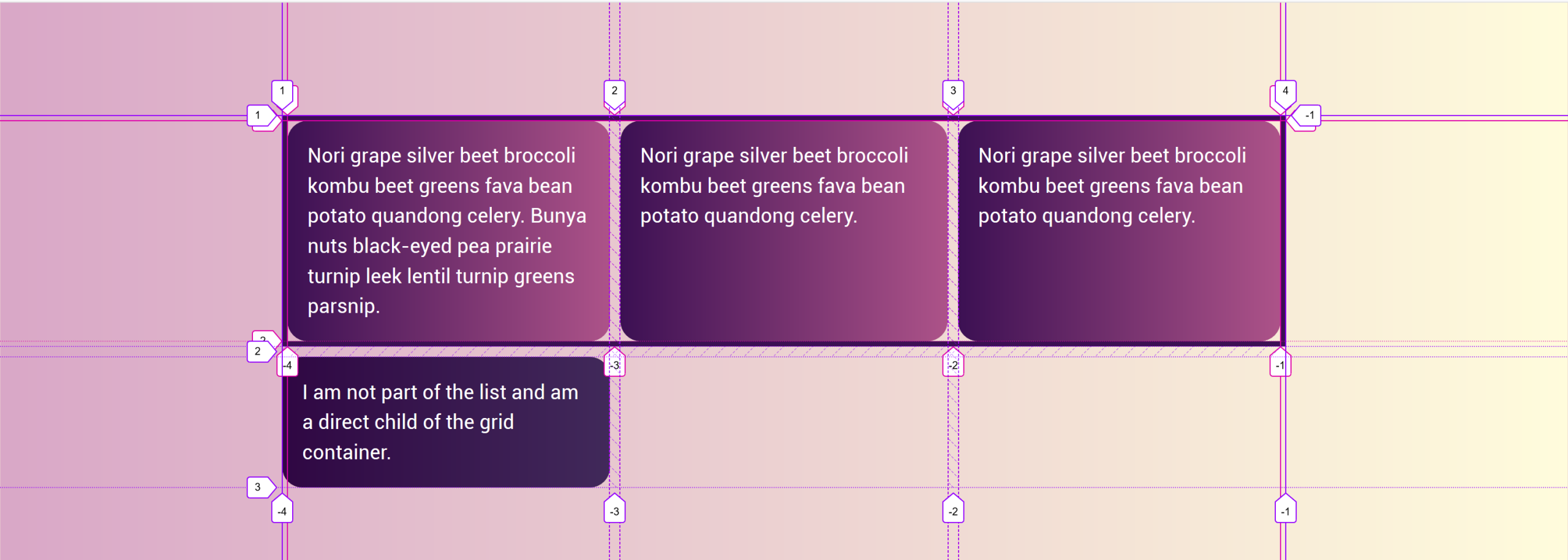
```
ul {  
  grid-column: 1 / -1;  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: subgrid;  
}
```

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I am not part of the list and am
a direct child of the grid
container.



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en" >
  <div id="saka-gui-root" style="position: absolute; left: 0px; top: 0px; width: 100%; height: 100%; z-index: 2147483647; opacity: 1; pointer-events: none;" >
    <head >
  <body translate="no" >
    <div class="container" >
      <ul >
        <li >
        <li >
        <li >
      </ul >
    </div >
  </body >
</html >
```

Flexbox

Select a Flex container or item to continue.

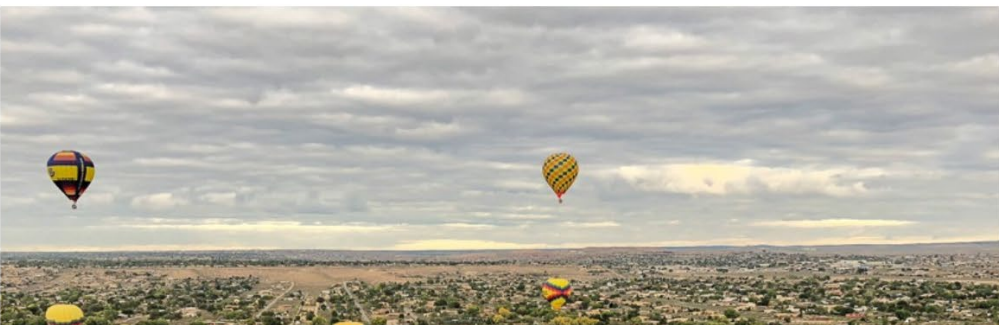
Grid

Overlay Grid

- div.container
- ul

Grid Display Settings

- Display line numbers
- Display area names
- Extend lines infinitely



Nested grid

.box is a grid item that is also a grid container.

```
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-auto-rows: 300px min-  
content;  
}
```

```
.box {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-row: auto / span 2;  
  grid-template-rows: 1fr auto;  
}
```

```
.box img {  
  height: 100%;  
  width: 100%;  
  object-fit: cover;  
  grid-row: 1 / -1;  
  grid-column: 1;  
}
```

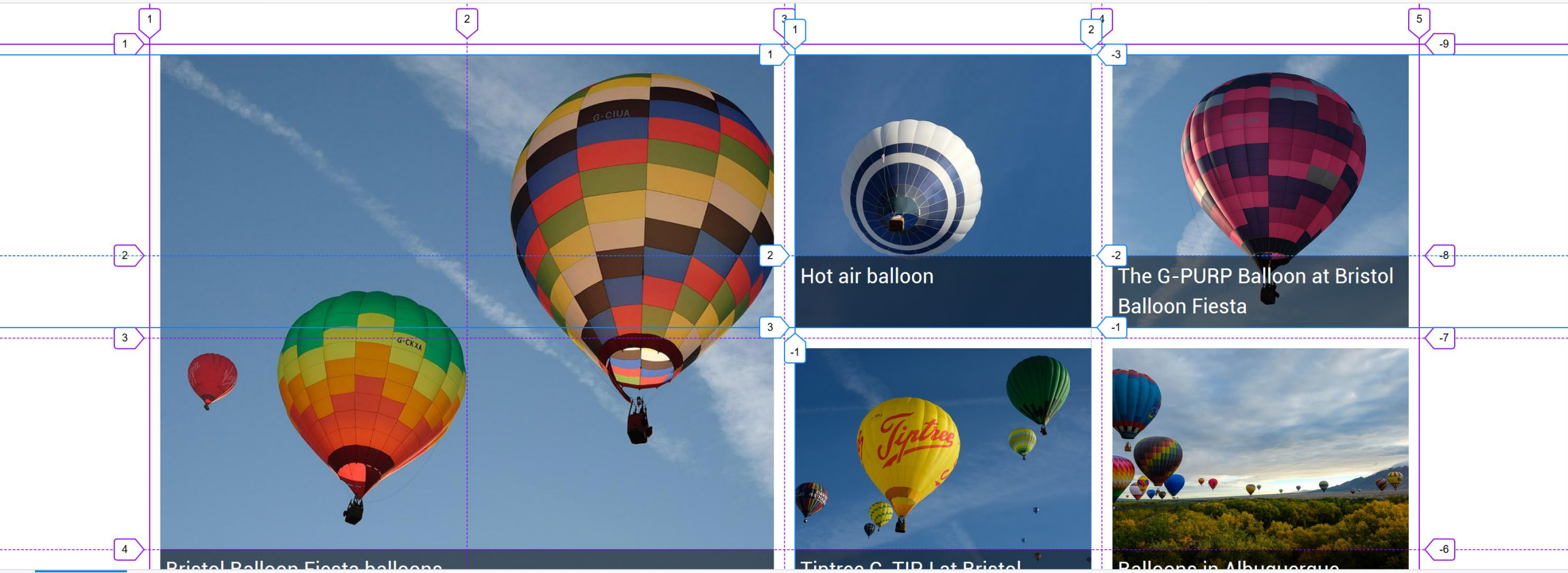
subgrid

.box still has two rows but takes the size from the parent.

```
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-auto-rows: 300px min-  
content;  
}
```

```
.box {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-row: auto / span 2;  
  grid-template-rows: subgrid;  
}
```

```
.box img {  
  height: 100%;  
  width: 100%;  
  object-fit: cover;  
  grid-row: 1 / -1;  
  grid-column: 1;  
}
```



```
Search HTML
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
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  <head>
  <body translate="no">
    <article>
      <div class="grid">
        <div class="box a">
        <div class="box b">
        <div class="box c">
        <div class="box d">
```

Subgrid

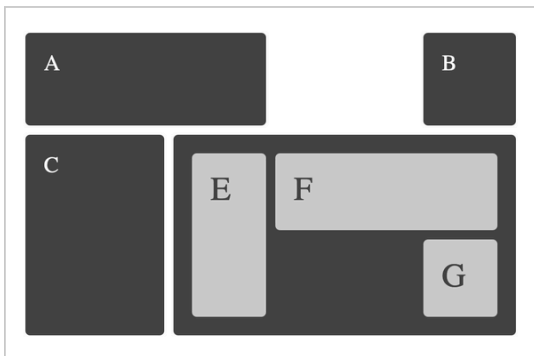
Level two of the Grid spec. In Firefox Nightly.

Subgrid in Chrome?

Star this:

<https://bugs.chromium.org/p/chromium/issues/detail?id=618969>

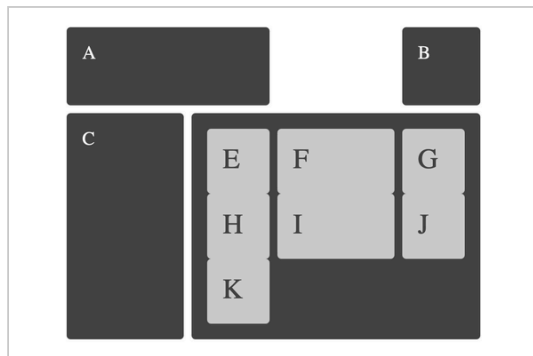
CSS Grid Level 2 Examples



Subgrid on columns and rows

The subgrid value is used for grid-template-columns and grid-template-rows

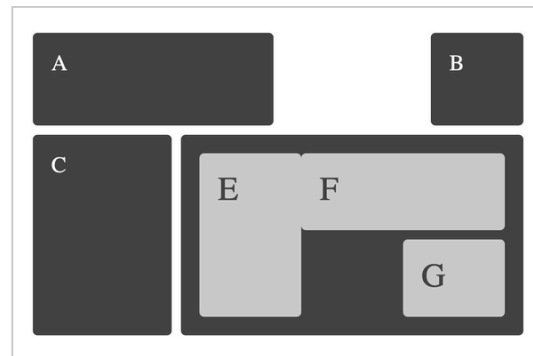
[View example](#) | [Read specification](#)



Subgrid on columns, implicit grid rows

The subgrid value is used for grid-template-columns. The rows are created as an implicit grid.

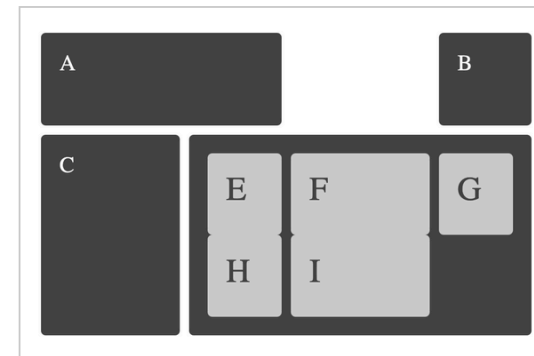
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Subgrid on rows, defined column tracks

The subgrid value is used for grid-template-rows. The columns are created as a normal track listing.

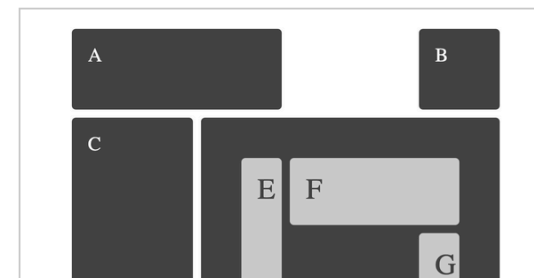
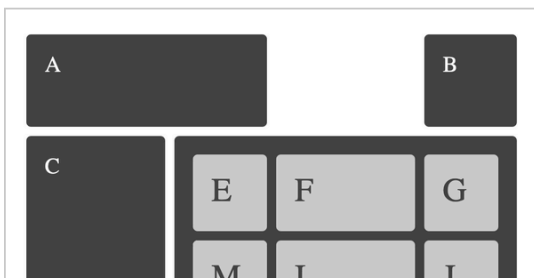
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The subgrid can override the gap on the parent

The subgrid inherits the gap of the parent but it can be changed in the subgrid.

[View example](#) | [Read specification](#)



**You will hit problems. Find
new technical limitations.**

We just can't do that yet.

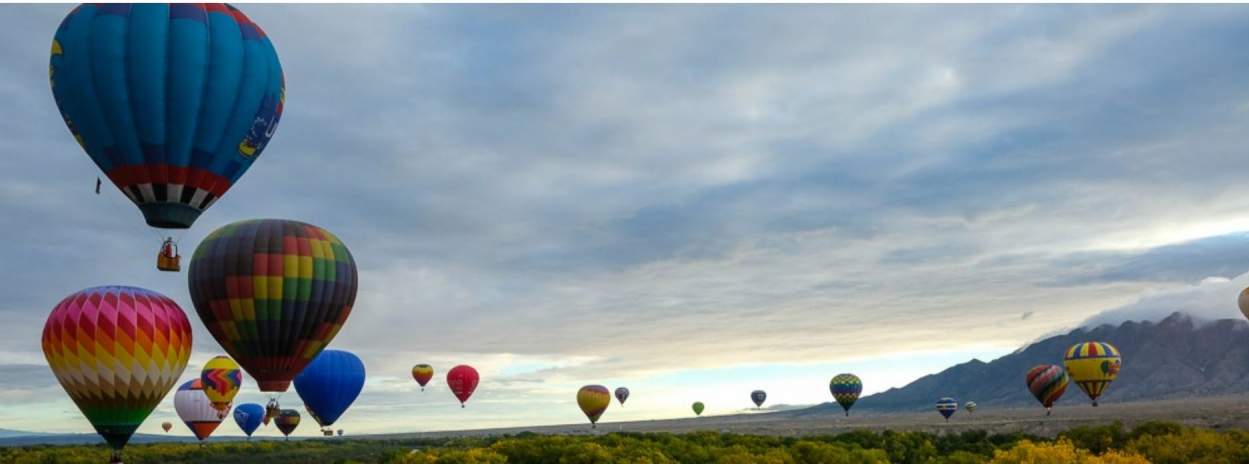
**We get the new stuff when
we create it.**

Finding the edges

Balloons!

Veggies es bonus vobis, proinde vos postulo
essum magis kohlrabi welsh onion daikon
amaranth tatsoi tomatillo melon azuki bean garlic.

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soko zucchini.

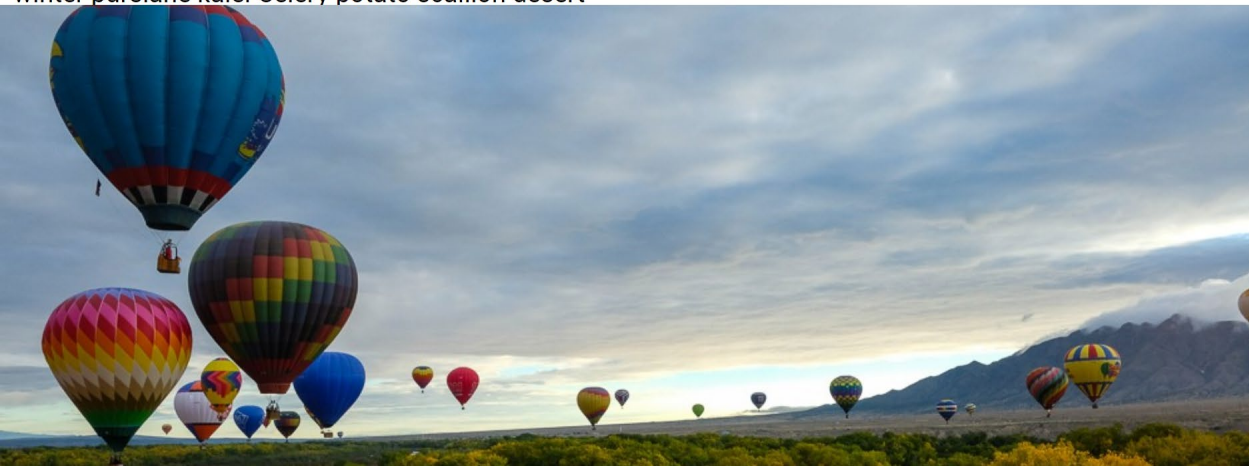


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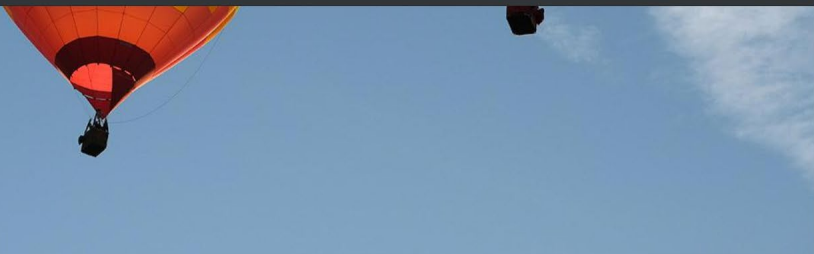
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water spinach fennel kombu maize bamboo shoot
green bean swiss chard seakale pumpkin onion
chickpea gram corn pea. Brussels sprout coriander
water chestnut gourd swiss chard wakame
kohlrabi beetroot carrot watercress. Corn
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Overflow and Multicol

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amaranth water spinach avocado daikon
napa cabbage asparagus winter purslane
kale. Celery potato scallion desert raisin
horseradish spinach carrot soko. Lotus root
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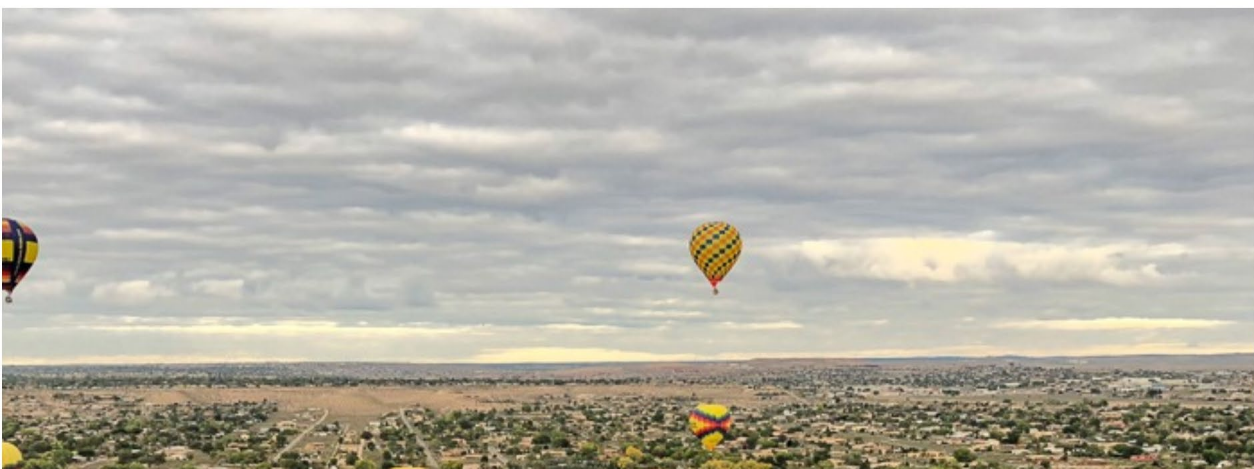
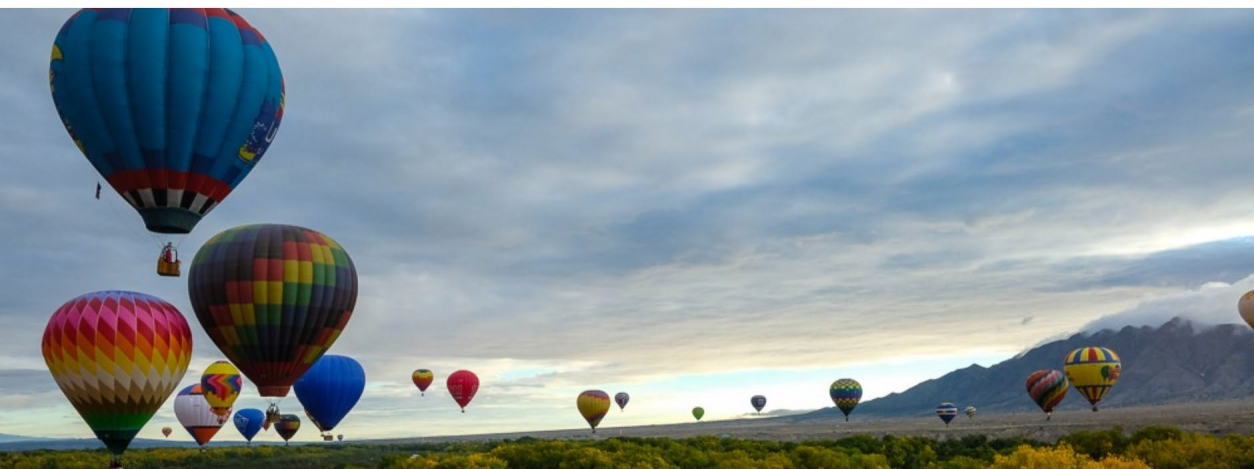
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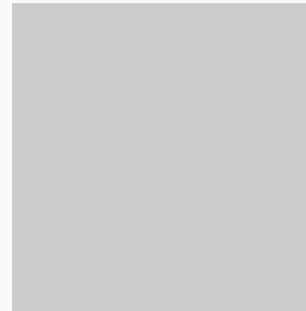
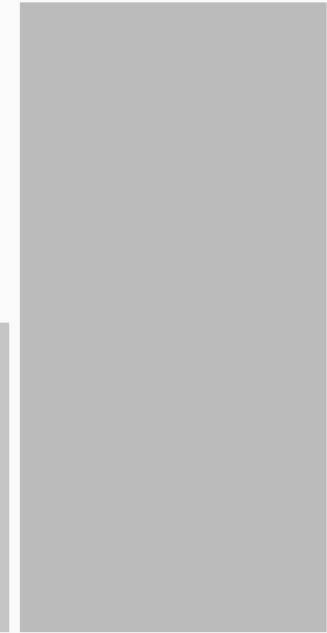
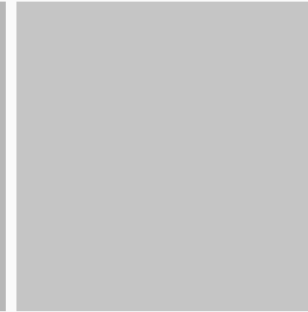
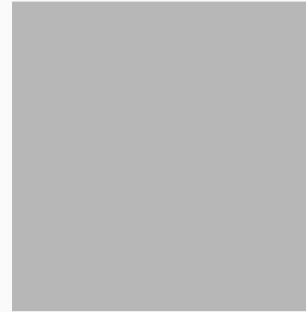
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Paged Media

CSS – not just for web browsers.

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Abstract

This CSS module specifies how pages are generated and laid out to hold fragmented content in a paged presentation. It adds functionality for controlling page margins, page size and orientation, and headers and footers, and extends generated content to enable page numbering and running headers / footers. The process of paginating a flow into such generated pages is covered in [\[CSS3-BREAK\]](#).

[CSS](#) is a language for describing the rendering of structured documents (such as HTML and XML) on screen, on paper, etc.

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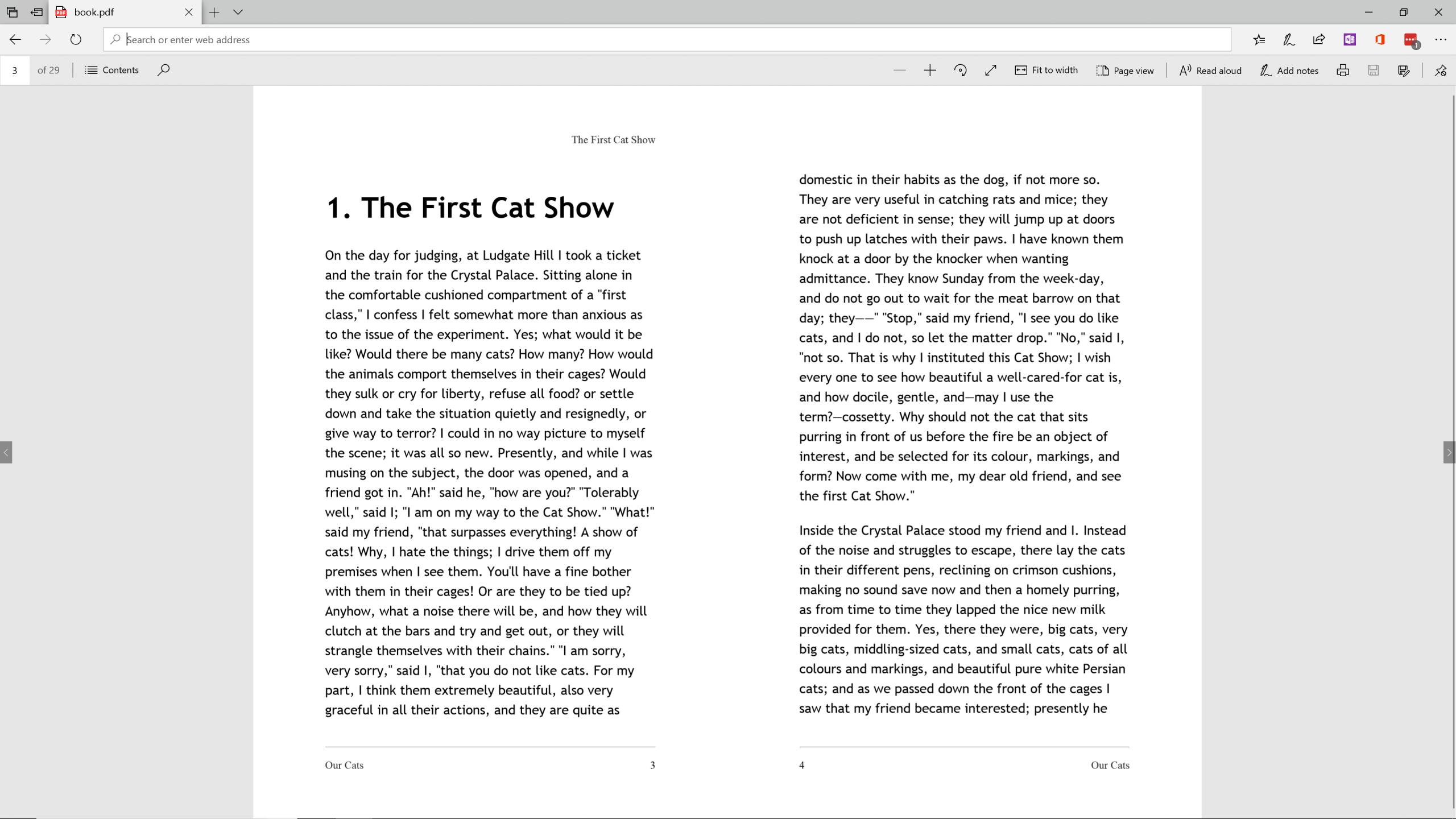
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  size: 5.5in 8.5in;  
  margin: 70pt 60pt 70pt;  
}
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Margin boxes

Content can be added to the margins – page numbers, titles.

```
@page:right{
  @bottom-right {
    margin: 10pt 0 30pt 0;
    border-top: .25pt solid #666;
    content: counter(page);
    font-size: 9pt;
  }

  @top-right {
    content: string(doctype);
    margin: 30pt 0 10pt 0;
    font-size: 9pt;
    color: #333;
  }
}
```



1. The First Cat Show

On the day for judging, at Ludgate Hill I took a ticket and the train for the Crystal Palace. Sitting alone in the comfortable cushioned compartment of a "first class," I confess I felt somewhat more than anxious as to the issue of the experiment. Yes; what would it be like? Would there be many cats? How many? How would the animals comport themselves in their cages? Would they sulk or cry for liberty, refuse all food? or settle down and take the situation quietly and resignedly, or give way to terror? I could in no way picture to myself the scene; it was all so new. Presently, and while I was musing on the subject, the door was opened, and a friend got in. "Ah!" said he, "how are you?" "Tolerably well," said I; "I am on my way to the Cat Show." "What!" said my friend, "that surpasses everything! A show of cats! Why, I hate the things; I drive them off my premises when I see them. You'll have a fine bother with them in their cages! Or are they to be tied up? Anyhow, what a noise there will be, and how they will clutch at the bars and try and get out, or they will strangle themselves with their chains." "I am sorry, very sorry," said I, "that you do not like cats. For my part, I think them extremely beautiful, also very graceful in all their actions, and they are quite as

domestic in their habits as the dog, if not more so. They are very useful in catching rats and mice; they are not deficient in sense; they will jump up at doors to push up latches with their paws. I have known them knock at a door by the knocker when wanting admittance. They know Sunday from the week-day, and do not go out to wait for the meat barrow on that day; they—"Stop," said my friend, "I see you do like cats, and I do not, so let the matter drop." "No," said I, "not so. That is why I instituted this Cat Show; I wish every one to see how beautiful a well-cared-for cat is, and how docile, gentle, and—may I use the term?—cossetty. Why should not the cat that sits purring in front of us before the fire be an object of interest, and be selected for its colour, markings, and form? Now come with me, my dear old friend, and see the first Cat Show."

Inside the Crystal Palace stood my friend and I. Instead of the noise and struggles to escape, there lay the cats in their different pens, reclining on crimson cushions, making no sound save now and then a homely purring, as from time to time they lapped the nice new milk provided for them. Yes, there they were, big cats, very big cats, middling-sized cats, and small cats, cats of all colours and markings, and beautiful pure white Persian cats; and as we passed down the front of the cages I saw that my friend became interested; presently he

Paged Contexts

Take content and flow it through as many pages as are required to display all of the content.

CSS Regions

A problematic attempt to flow content through disconnected boxes.

CSS Regions - WD

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Method of flowing content into multiple elements.

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- ¹ Support is limited to using an iframe as a content source with the `-ms-flow-into: flow_name;` and `-ms-flow-from: flow_name;` syntax.
- ² Partial support refers to not supporting the `region-fragment` property.

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CSS Regions

IE / Edge implementation flows content from a iframe.

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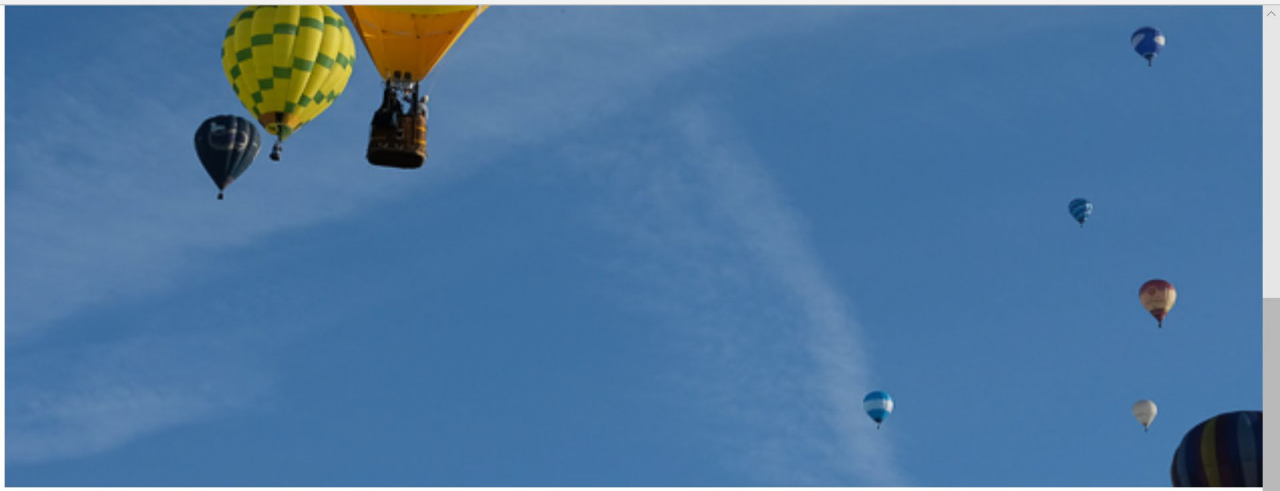
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Regions needs ready- prepared boxes

You need to know exactly how much content you have.

**Having a final “bucket” for
extra content is not enough.**

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CSS Regions Considered Harmful

by [Håkon Wium Lie](#) · January 22, 2014




Håkon Wium Lie is the father of CSS, the CTO of Opera, and a pioneer advocate for web standards. His [last article](#) in this magazine led directly to real fonts on the web. When Håkon speaks, whether we always agree or not, we listen. In today's post, Håkon shares his opinion on CSS Regions.

Way back, when designers first started emigrating from their islands of desktop publishing onto the web, they asked a seemingly simple question: how could they take with them their favorite colors, fonts and layouts? At first, we had no good answer. HTML offered semantic tags to describe the structure of documents, not their presentation. Browsers couldn't be told what fonts to use, or where to fetch them. Authors, however, soon found a sneaky shortcut: the `img` element. By making images of their text, authors could achieve their colorful helveticized designs. In the process, all semantics (that is, information about the meaning of elements, as opposed to the presentation) was removed and even the searchable text was gone. CSS was [proposed](#) in 1994 to stop this practice; saving semantic HTML was just as important as achieving desirable layouts.

A few years later, at the height of the XML fever, presentational elements made a comeback. [XSL](#) defined an XML vocabulary for Formatting Objects; XSL-FO tags that said nothing about being headlines or list items, but all about their presentation. Computer scientists have a peculiar way of expressing fear and doubt. They publish essays with "considered harmful" in the title. This particular design pattern was started by Edsger Dijkstra when he published "Go To Statements Considered Harmful" in 1968. The development of formatting objects led me to use the same device;

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Because we never really know how big anything is on the web.

Web design has always
involved this battle with
overflow.

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Perhaps Regions paved the way for something better.

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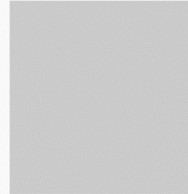
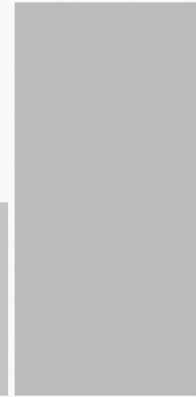
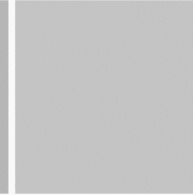
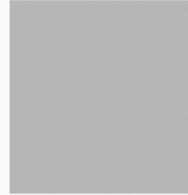
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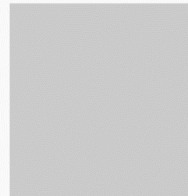
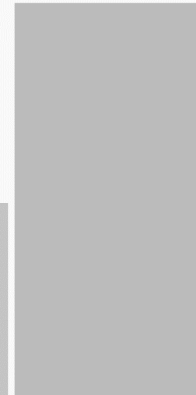
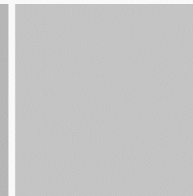
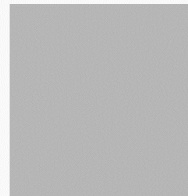
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**Content thread and
semantics fully separate
from layout.**

Without needing to simplify the design to get there.

Fragmentation

How does content break between pages, columns or regions?

Fragmentation

Breaks between and inside boxes.

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    break-inside: avoid;  
}  
  
h1 {  
    break-before: column;  
}  
  
h2, h3 {  
    break-after: avoid;  
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solve problems

Show your problems

This is how we make things better.



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Editorial Layouts, Floats, and CSS Grid

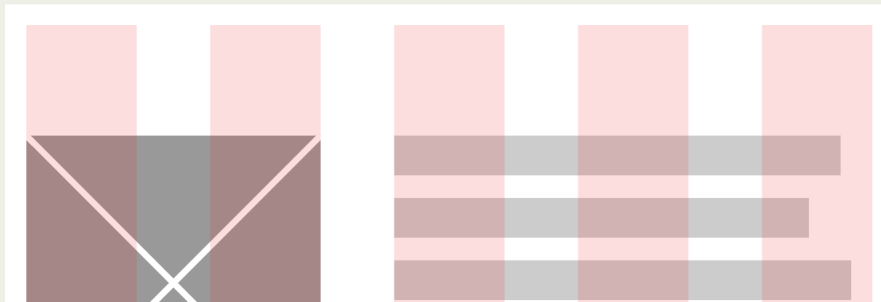
CSS Grid is in many ways a dream come true, but there's at least one basic thing it can't do.

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I've been getting my feet wet with [CSS Grid](#) this year. The new possibilities it introduces for page layout on the web are exciting, but before venturing too far into those waters, I wanted to see how it handles the kind of layouts I'm already designing. Most of the work I do on the web—at [ProPublica](#) and here on my site—is editorial design, so I was keen to learn how Grid accommodates the conventions of the form.

One of those conventions is the interspersion of photographs, illustrations, figures, and asides throughout the text of an article. A typical template is based on a columnar grid, which establishes the text area and various size and position options for supporting material. Take this simple example of a five-column article layout, with the main text flowing around a two-column image:

TL;DR
Since floats aren't compatible with CSS Grid, aligning floated elements to an established grid can be a real headache. This is a nontrivial impediment to traditional editorial layouts' ability to take advantage of Grid's benefits.



Editorial Layouts, Exclusions, and CSS Grid

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A little while back at An Event Apart Chicago, I chatted to Rob Weychert about a grid use case he felt the spec couldn't solve. He has now written that use case up, which you can read on his blog - [Editorial Layouts, FLoats, and CSS Grid](#).

At the time I thought that this sounded like an [Exclusions](#) use case, and I've taken his demo and created a version which uses CSS Exclusions. *To see the demo working you will need to use Edge.*

A CodePen version of the example at the end of Rob's article can be found [here](#).

For the Exclusions version, both the image and the text need to be direct children of the grid. We then position the image using CSS Grid, and the content. This will result in the image and content overlapping, and is what you will see if you visit the demo in any browser other than Edge.

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[css-exclusions] Status of the exclusions spec #3308

New issue

Open rachelandrew opened this issue 21 days ago · 2 comments



rachelandrew commented 21 days ago

Contributor

I get reasonably frequent questions from web developers, to which the answer would be exclusions. Rob Weychert wrote up an issue he had with grid, and I put together some demos showing how Exclusions would solve that particular case, the demos work in Edge with the prefixed `-ms-wrap-flow`.

- Rob Weychert: [Editorial Layouts, Floats, and CSS Grid](#)
- my response and demos showing how Exclusions solves this: [Editorial Layouts, Exclusions and CSS Grid](#)

Interop:

- Edge has the prefixed implementation that was in IE10
- the code was removed from Webkit] citing more work needed on the spec: <https://trac.webkit.org/changeset/166618/webkit>
- no implementation in Blink and the page on Chrome Status seems to have been removed: <https://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:45kp79I7wb8J:https://www.chromestatus.com/feature/6296903092273152+%&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us>
- no implementation in Firefox. Bug: https://bugzilla.mozilla.org/show_bug.cgi?id=674804

Looking at the ED today there is [an issue regarding collision avoidance](#), but there hasn't been any movement on the spec in some while. I think that now we do have grid layout, people are beginning to find a number of use cases - particular for editorial design - where perhaps revisiting this spec would make sense.

Other posts re Exclusions from the community:

- Ben Frain: [The frustration of using CSS Shapes and CSS Exclusions](#)
- Chen Hui Jing: [CSS Exclusions with Queen Bey](#)
- An older post of mine [CSS Exclusions and Grid Layout](#)
- Louie Rootfield [CSS Exclusions: Making Boring Layouts Less Boring](#)

I'm raising this because I'm keen to see this implemented, and to give somewhere for discussion and for people to post use cases.

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Assignees

No one assigned

Labels

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Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

5 participants



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More than ever the web
needs diversity of thought.

Thank you

@rachelandrew