

Building a **Sass** Configuration System

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Goals

- ▶ Organized code
- ▶ Clean stylesheets
- ▶ Minimal duplication in sub-theme Sass files
- ▶ More SMACSS-compliant projects, perhaps?

Rule 1

one mixin, one file

~~Rule~~ Recommendation 1

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Recommendation 2

no selectors in config
(and no multiline comments)

__config.scss

- ▶ Two underscores?
- ▶ Imported in each of your main .scss files
- ▶ Doesn't actually *do* anything
- ▶ Each sub-theme should have its own

__init.scss

- ▶ @function set-theme()
- ▶ @function config-set()
- ▶ @function config-get()
- ▶ Imported functions

The init partials

- ▶ color
- ▶ font
- ▶ media
- ▶ typo

Let's get DRY

- ▶ Don't Repeat Yourself
- ▶ Dynamic placeholder selectors
- ▶ Combining the good parts of mixins and placeholder selectors

Bonus: naming breakpoints

- ▶ ~~small, medium, large~~
- ▶ ~~mobile, tablet, desktop~~ 🤪
- ▶ Let's talk numbers

Conclusions

- ▶ Sass config can keep your styles healthy
- ▶ Still nonjudgmental about your Sass and CSS
- ▶ Some manual labor involved

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