

CSS Grid

Theory Assignment 4

Q.1 Explain CSS Grid and how it differs from Flexbox. When would you use Grid over Flexbox?

Ans: CSS Grid is a powerful layout system in CSS used to design two-dimensional layouts — meaning it can handle both rows and columns at the same time. You define a grid container, set up columns and rows, and then place items into the grid using line numbers or named areas.

```
CSS

.grid-container {
  display: grid;
  grid-template-columns: repeat(3, 1fr);
  grid-template-rows: auto auto;
  gap: 20px;
}
```

Flexbox is a one-dimensional layout model. You can lay out items either in a row (horizontal) or in a column (vertical) — but not both at the same time.

```
CSS

.flex-container {
  display: flex;
  flex-direction: row; /* or column */
  justify-content: space-between;
  align-items: center;
}
```

When to use Grid vs Flexbox:

Use CSS Grid when:

- You need to design a whole page or layout a complex component.
- You need precise control over rows and columns.
- You want to create asymmetric or overlapping layouts.

Use Flexbox when:

- You're aligning items in a single row or column.
- You need to space elements evenly, like buttons or nav links.
- You want content to flow and wrap automatically.

Q.2 Describe the grid-template-columns, grid-template-rows, and grid-gap properties. Provide examples of how to use them.

Ans: Grid-template-column:

This property defines how wide each column in your grid should be.

```
CSS
.container {
  display: grid;
  grid-template-columns: 200px 1fr 2fr;
}
```

What it does:

- The first column is 200px wide.
- The second column takes up 1 fraction of the remaining space.
- The third column takes up 2 fractions, which means it's twice as wide as the second column.

```
CSS
grid-template-columns: repeat(3, 1fr); /* 3 equal columns */
```

Grid-template-row:

This works just like grid-template-column, but for rows instead of column.

```
css

.container {
  display: grid;
  grid-template-rows: 100px auto 50px;
}
```

What it does:

- The first row is 100px tall.
- The second row automatically adjust to fits its content.
- The third row is 50px tall.

Grid-gap:

This property sets the space between rows and columns in a grid. It's a shorthand for setting both row and column gaps at once. You can also set them separately with grid-row-gap and grid-column-gap.

```
css

.container {
  display: grid;
  grid-template-columns: 1fr 1fr;
  grid-template-rows: 100px 200px;
  grid-gap: 20px 30px;
}
```

What it does:

- Two columns, each taking up 50% of the available space.
- Two rows, one 100px and the other 200px tall.
- A 20px gap between the rows and a 30px gap between the columns.