



MERN Stack Journey - 14th Class Notes

Responsive Web Design & Bootstrap Grid System



Introduction to Responsive Web Design

Responsive Web Design (RWD) is a web development approach that ensures websites adapt smoothly to different screen sizes and devices such as mobiles, tablets, laptops, and desktops.

Why Responsive Design is Important?

- Mobile-first world
- One website for all devices
- Better user experience
- Improved SEO rankings

Bootstrap helps us achieve responsive design easily using its **Grid System**.



Bootstrap Grid System

The **Bootstrap Grid System** is a powerful layout system used to create responsive web layouts.

Key Features

- Uses a **12-column layout**
 - Layout is divided into **containers**, **rows**, and **columns**
 - Automatically adjusts based on screen size
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Container

A **container** is the outermost wrapper that holds rows and columns.

Purpose

- Centers the content
- Adds left and right padding

Example

```
<div class="container"></div>
```

Row

A **row** is used to wrap columns and align them horizontally.

Purpose

- Ensures columns are placed in a single horizontal line

Example

```
<div class="container">
  <div class="row"></div>
</div>
```

Column

Columns hold the actual content. Columns must always be placed inside a row.

Important Rules

- Bootstrap uses **12 columns per row**
- Column size ranges from **1 to 12**

Example

```
<div class="container">
  <div class="row">
    <div class="col-12">
      I'm your content inside the grid!
    </div>
  </div>
</div>
```

Notes

- `col-12` occupies full width
- `col-6` occupies half width
- `col-*` means how many columns out of 12

Single Column Layout Example

index.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
```

```

<head>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="https://stackpath.bootstrapcdn.com/
bootstrap/4.5.2/css/bootstrap.min.css">
</head>
<body>
  <div class="container">
    <div class="row">
      <div class="col-12">
        <h1 class="heading">Taj Mahal</h1>
        <p>
          The Taj Mahal is an ivory-white marble mausoleum on the southern
          bank of the river Yamuna in the Indian city of Agra.
        </p>
      </div>
    </div>
  </div>
</body>
</html>

```

style.css

```

.heading {
  font-size: 24px;
  font-weight: bold;
}

```

Creating Multiple Column Layouts

We can create multiple column layouts by dividing 12 columns.

Example: Two Column Layout

- First column → 8 columns
- Second column → 4 columns

index.html

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bootstrap/4.5.2/css/bootstrap.min.css">
  </head>
  <body>
    <div class="container">
      <div class="row">
        <div class="col-8">

```

```

<h1 class="heading">Taj Mahal</h1>
<p>
    The Taj Mahal is an ivory-white marble mausoleum on the southern
    bank of the river Yamuna in the Indian city of Agra.
</p>
</div>
<div class="col-4">
    <h1 class="heading">Mysore Palace</h1>
    <p>
        The Mysore Palace is a historical palace and the royal residence
        at
        Mysore in the Indian State of Karnataka.
    </p>
</div>
</div>
</div>
</body>
</html>

```

style.css

```

.heading {
    font-size: 24px;
    font-weight: bold;
}

```

Important Concepts to Remember

- Container → wraps everything
- Row → groups columns
- Column → holds content
- Total columns per row must be ≤ 12
- Bootstrap grid is **mobile responsive by default**

Interview & Practical Tips

- Always place columns inside rows
- Never exceed 12 columns in a row
- Bootstrap grid is commonly used in React & MERN projects
- Understanding grid helps in building dashboards & layouts

What I Learned in 14th Class

-  Basics of Responsive Web Design
 -  Bootstrap Grid System fundamentals
 -  Containers, Rows, Columns
 -  One-column & Multi-column layouts
 -  Real-world layout creation
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 **Next Class:** Responsive Breakpoints & Advanced Grid Layouts