CSS Box-Sizing Property

CSS box-sizing is a property that determines how the width and height of an element are calculated. It affects the way content, padding, border, and margin are combined to determine the total size of an element.

Default behavior (content-box):

- The width and height of an element only include the content area.

- Padding, border, and margin are added *outside* of the content area, increasing the total size of the element.

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- The width and height of an element include the content area, padding, and border.

- Margin is still added *outside* of the box.

Benefits of box-sizing: border-box;:

- **Simpler layout:** It can make layout calculations more straightforward, as the total size of an element is directly related to its specified width and height.

- **Responsive design:** It can be helpful for creating responsive layouts, where the size of elements needs to adjust based on the screen size.

- **Cross-browser compatibility:** It is widely supported across modern browsers.

Key points to remember:

- box-sizing affects the **total size** of an element.

- box-sizing: border-box; includes content, padding, and border in the width and height calculations.

- box-sizing: content-box; (default) only includes content in the width and height calculations.

- box-sizing is a property that can be applied to any element.