CSS Box Model :-

Question 1: Explain the CSS box model and its components (content, padding, border,

margin). How does each affect the size of an element?

Ans:- The CSS Box Model is a fundamental concept in web design that describes the structure

of an HTML element and how its dimensions and spacing are calculated. Every element on a

web page is treated as a rectangular box with the following components:

Components of the Box Model

1. Content

The innermost part of the box where the text, images, or other content resides.

• Effect on size: The width and height of an element define the dimensions of this

area.

2. Padding

The space between the content and the border. It creates "breathing room" around the

content.

• Effect on size: Increases the size of the element as it adds space *inside* the

border.

Eg :- padding: 10px;

3. Border

The boundary wrapping the content and padding. It can have styles, widths, and colors.

• Effect on size: Adds to the overall size of the element as it surrounds the padding.

Eg:- border: 2px solid black;

4. Margin

The space between the element's border and surrounding elements. Margins do not

have a background color and are completely transparent.

• Effect on size: Does not increase the element's dimensions but creates space

outside the border.

Eg:- margin: 20px;

Box-Sizing Property

The box-sizing property changes how the size of the element is calculated:

1. **content-box** (default): Only the content size is defined by width and height.

Padding and border are added to this.

2. border-box: Includes padding and border within the width and height. This

simplifies size calculations.

div {

box-sizing: border-box; /* Includes padding and border in total width */

}

Question 2: What is the difference between border-box and content-box box-sizing in CSS?

Which is the default?

Ans:- The box-sizing property in CSS defines how the total size of an element (width and

height) is calculated. It has two main values: **content-box** and **border-box**.

1. content-box

• Definition:

- The width and height apply to the **content area only**.
- Padding and border are **not included** in the specified width and height; they are added on top of the content size.
- Default value: Yes, content-box is the default box-sizing value.

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Eg:-
div {

width: 200px;

height: 100px;

padding: 10px;

border: 5px solid black;

box-sizing: content-box;
}
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Calculation:

• Content: 200px × 100px

• Padding: 10px × 2 (top + bottom) = 20px

• Border: $5px \times 2 \text{ (top + bottom)} = 10px$

• Total height: 100px + 20px + 10px = 130px

• Total width: 200px + 20px + 10px = 230px

2. border-box

- Definition:
 - The width and height include content, padding, and border.
 - Any padding and border are subtracted from the content size to fit within the specified dimensions.
- **Default value**: No, but widely used for simpler layout calculations.

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eg:-

div {

width: 200px;

height: 100px;

padding: 10px;

border: 5px solid black;

box-sizing: border-box;

}
```

Calculation:

- Total width and height remain 200px × 100px.
- Content size:
 - Width: $200px (10px padding \times 2) (5px border \times 2) = 170px$
 - Height: $100px (10px padding \times 2) (5px border \times 2) = 70px$