

shorthand

Sometimes when editing a rule you may end up defining multiple properties that can better be represented using shorthand. For example:

```
.mybox {  
  margin-left: 10px;  
  margin-right: 10px;  
  margin-top: 20px;  
  margin-bottom: 30px;  
}
```

These four properties can actually be combined into a single `margin` property, such as:

```
.mybox {  
  margin: 20px 10px 30px;  
}
```

Using shorthand properties where possible helps to decrease the overall size of the CSS.

Rule Details

Rule ID: `shorthand`

This rule is aimed at decreasing file size by finding properties that can be combined into one. As such, it warns in the following cases:

1. When `margin-left`, `margin-right`, `margin-top`, and `margin-bottom` are used together in a single rule.
2. When `padding-left`, `padding-right`, `padding-top`, and `padding-bottom` are used together in a single rule.

The following patterns are considered warnings:

```
.mybox {  
  margin-left: 10px;  
  margin-right: 10px;  
  margin-top: 20px;  
  margin-bottom: 30px;  
}  
  
.mybox {  
  padding-left: 10px;  
  padding-right: 10px;  
  padding-top: 20px;  
  padding-bottom: 30px;  
}
```

The following patterns are considered okay and do not cause warnings:

```
/* only two margin properties*/  
.mybox {  
  margin-left: 10px;  
  margin-right: 10px;  
}
```

```
/* only two padding properties */  
.mybox {  
  padding-right: 10px;  
  padding-top: 20px;  
}
```