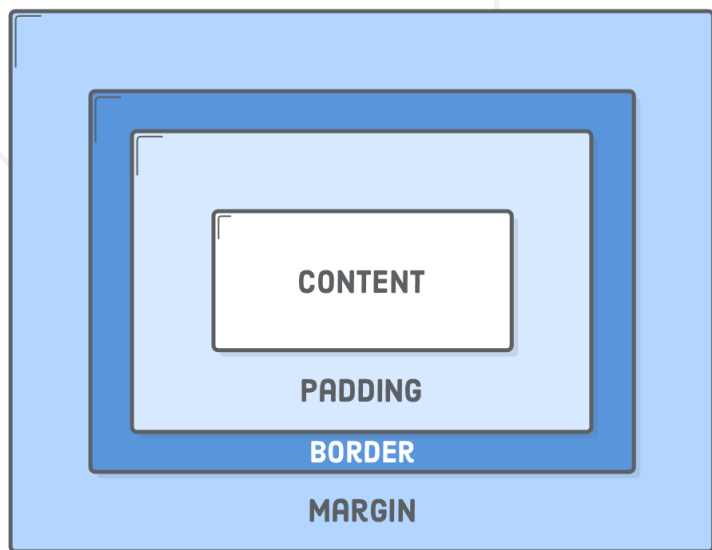


# HTML and CSS



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**CSS Box Model**

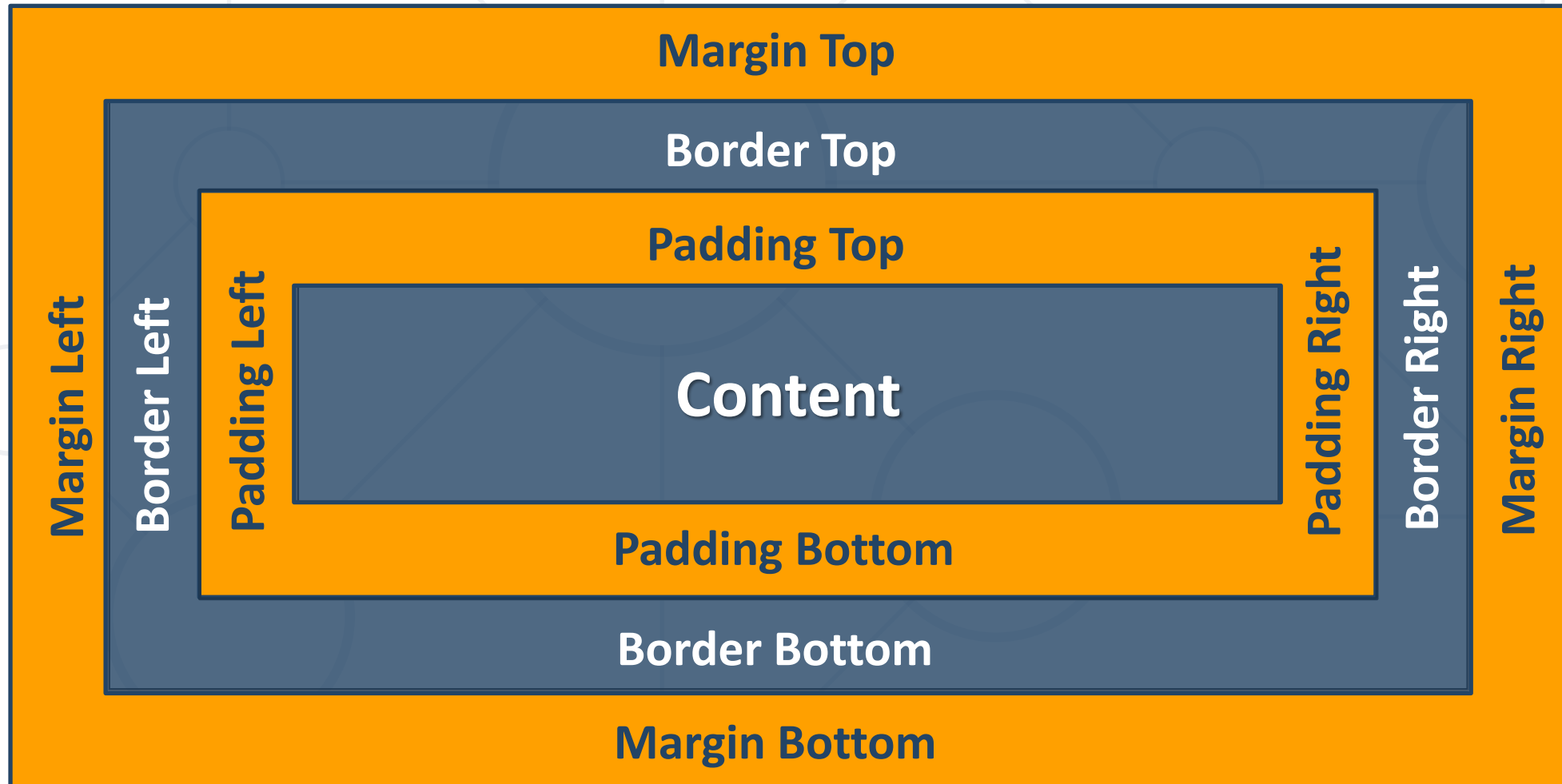
# The CSS Box Model

- Fundamental concept in web design and development
- Each **HTML element** is represented as a **rectangular box** by the rendering engine of the browser
- Allows controlling the **spacing** and **sizing** of elements
  - Crucial for **structure** and **consistency**
- Four elements
  - **Content, padding, border, margin**



- **Content**
  - Text and/or media (e.g., images)
- **Padding**
  - Transparent area around the content
- **Border**
  - Wraps content and padding
- **Margin**
  - Transparent area outside the border

# The CSS Box Model



- **margin**

- Sets the margin area on all four sides of an element
- Shorthand for **margin-top**, **margin-right**, **margin-bottom**, and **margin-left**

```
.box {  
  margin: 50px;  
}
```



- **border**
  - Sets the element's border
  - Shorthand for **border-width**, **border-style** and **border-color**

```
.box {  
  border: 1px solid black;  
}
```

- **padding**

- Sets the margin area on all four sides of an element
- Shorthand for **padding-top**, **padding-right**, **padding-bottom**, and **padding-left**

```
.box {  
  padding: 50px;  
}
```



**Block & Inline Elements**

# Block & Inline Elements

- In HTML & CSS, elements are categorized in **two main** types
  - **Block**
  - **Inline**
- They have differences in both **behavior** and **styling**
- Third type → **inline-block**
  - **Combines features** of block and inline elements



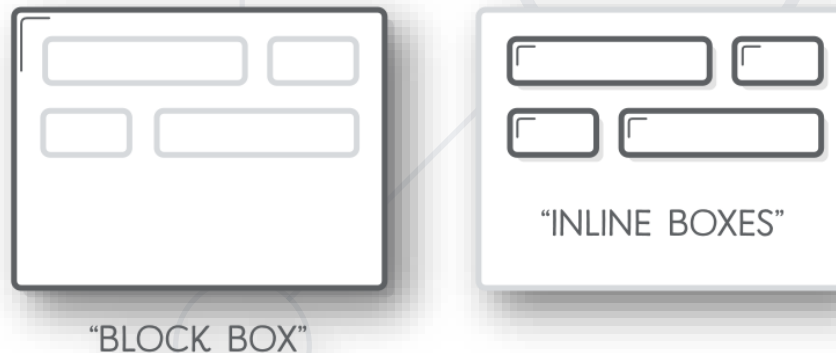
- Used for defining the web page's **structure**
- **Start** on a **new line**
- Occupy the **full available width**
- **Accept width** and **height** properties
- Can have **margins** and **padding**s
- Examples
  - `<p>`, `<div>`, `<h1>`, `<section>`, ...

- Used for **styling** segments or small components of a web page
- **Do not start** on a **new line**
- Occupy the **needed width** only
- **Do not accept width** and **height** properties
- Can have **horizontal margins** and **padding**s
- Examples
  - `<span>`, `<a>`, `<strong>`, `<img>`, ...

- Used for special cases
  - e.g., horizontally aligned menus
- **Do not start** on a **new line**
- Occupy the **needed width** only
- **Accept width** and **height** properties
- Can have **margins** and **padding**s

- **display**

- Most important property for controlling an element's layout
- Specifies how an element is shown on a web page
  - Sets an element's **inner** and **outer** display types
    - **Outer** type defines **element's position** in flow layout
    - **Inner** type defines the layout of the **element's children**





- **display: block;**
  - Displays an element as a **block** element
  - Starts on a **new** line
  - Takes the **whole** width
- **display: inline;**
  - Default value for the **display** property
  - Displays an element as an **inline** element
  - Starts on the **same** line
  - Takes only the **necessary** width

- **display: inline-block;**
  - Treat **inline** elements as **block** elements
  - Starts on the **same** line
  - Takes the **specified width** and **height**
  - Respects **margins** and **padding**s

```
.box {  
  display: inline-block;  
}
```



**CSS Width & Height**

# CSS Width & Height

- **width**
  - Sets an element's width
- **height**
  - Sets an element's height

```
.box {  
  width: 150px;  
  height: 250px;  
}
```

# CSS Width & Height Values

- **auto**
  - Default value, calculated by the browser
- **length**
  - Defines the value in one of the CSS Units
- **%**
  - Defines the value according to the containing block
- **Initial**
  - Sets the width/height to its default value
- **Inherit**
  - Inherited from the parent's value

# CSS Width & Height Min Values

- Set the **minimum width** and **height** of an element
- **Prevent** the used **values** of the width and height properties from becoming **smaller** than the values specified
  - **min-width**
  - **min-height**

```
.box {  
  min-width: 150px;  
  min-height: 200px;  
}
```

# CSS Width & Height Max Values

- Set the **maximum width** and **height** of an element
- **Prevent** the used **values** of the width and height properties from becoming **larger** than the values specified
  - **max-width**
  - **max-height**

```
.box {  
  max-width: 300px;  
  max-height: 400px;  
}
```

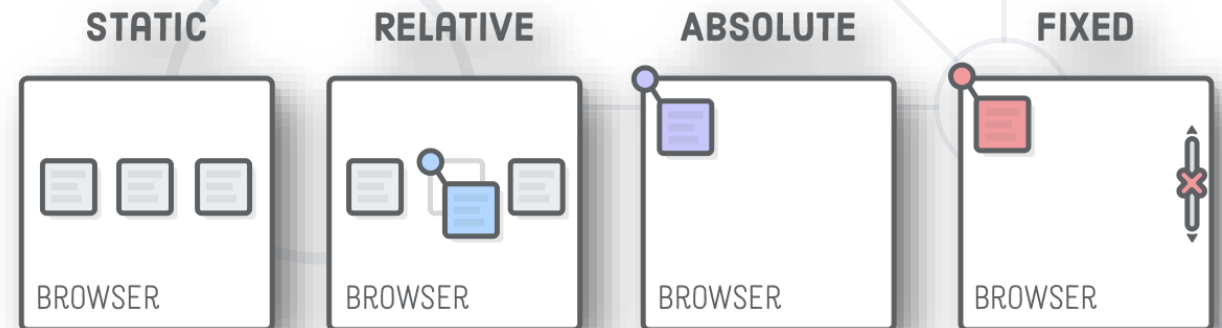


**CSS Position**



# Position

- Specify the type of positioning method used for an element
- Four **major** types
  - Static
  - Relative
  - Absolute
  - Fixed



- **position: static;**
  - The default state of every element
  - Places the element into its normal position in the document layout flow
  - **Not affected** by **top**, **bottom**, **left** and **right** properties

```
.box {  
    position: static;  
}
```

- **position: relative;**
  - Similar to static positioning
  - Once the positioned element has taken its place in the normal layout flow, its final position can be modified using **top**, **bottom**, **left** and **right** properties

```
.box {  
  position: relative;  
}
```

- **position: fixed;**
  - Position is relative to the viewport
  - Elements stays in the same place even if the page is scrolled
  - Affected by properties **top**, **bottom**, **left** and **right**

```
.box {  
  position: fixed;  
}
```

- **position: absolute;**
  - Element is positioned based on the two dimensional coordinate system
  - Relative to the nearest positioned ancestor

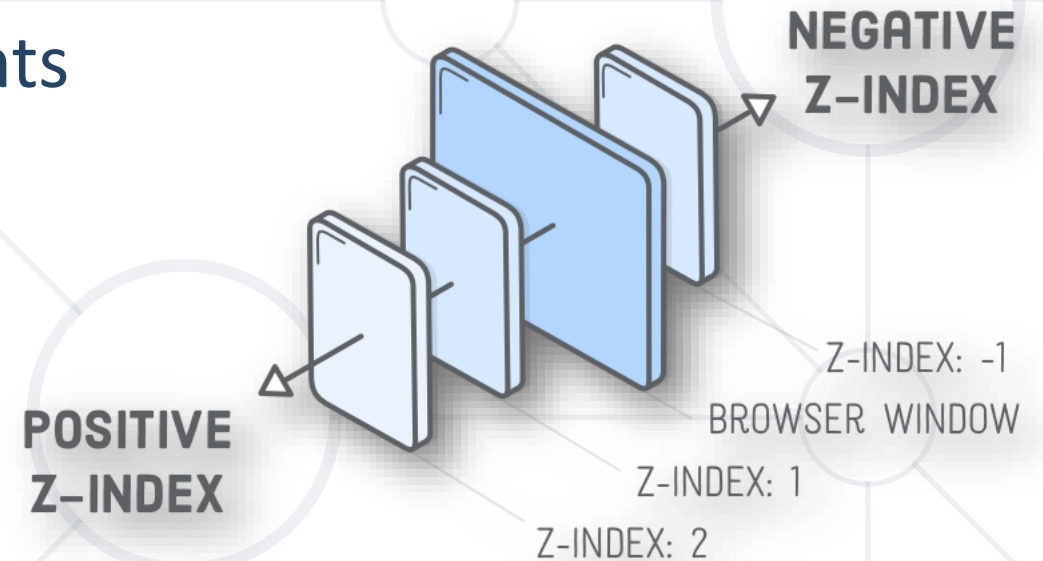
```
.box {  
  position: absolute;  
}
```

- **position: sticky;**
  - Based on the user's scrolling
  - Resembles **position: relative**
  - Once the given offset position is met, resembles **position: fixed**

```
.box {  
  position: sticky;  
}
```

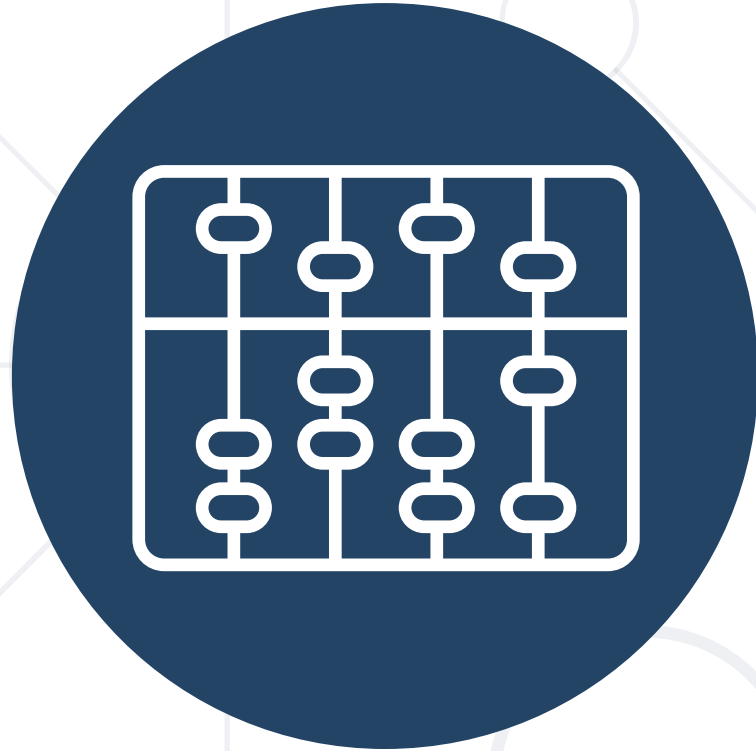
- **z-index**
  - Specifies stack order of an element
  - Used for overlapping other elements

```
.box {  
  z-index: [number];  
}
```



- Control placement of an element within its containing element
- Four positioning properties for direction
  - **top**
  - **bottom**
  - **left**
  - **right**
- Set the margin edge for the positioned box
- Combined with the different types of **position** property





**Flexbox**

# What is Flexbox?

- Flexbox == Flexible Box Layout Module
- Powerful layout method for arranging elements
  - Organize the elements in **rows** and **columns** within a container
  - Design flexible layout **without positioning**



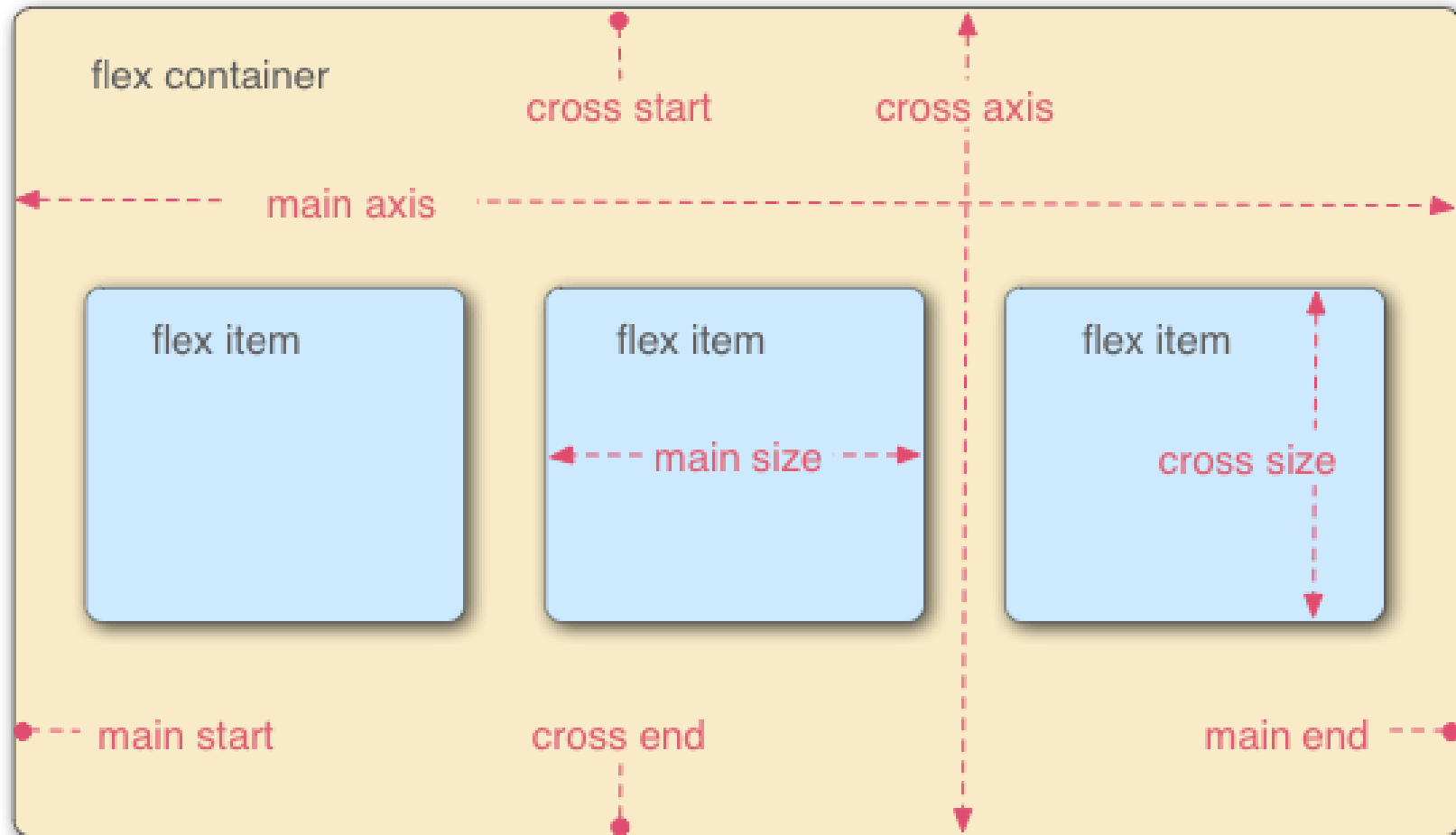
“FLEX CONTAINER”



“FLEX ITEMS”

- **Flex container**
  - **Main** element that holds other elements
  - Defines the **layout** and **positioning** of all its **children**
  - Used for creating **distinct sections** in a webpage
- **Items**
  - **Direct child** element of a container element
  - Managed by the parent container element's properties

# The Flex Model





# Container Properties

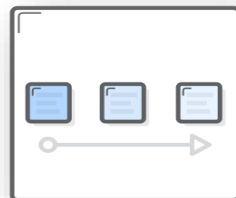
- **display: flex;**
  - Define the flex container
  - Enable the flex context for the direct children of the container

```
.box {  
  display: flex;  
}
```

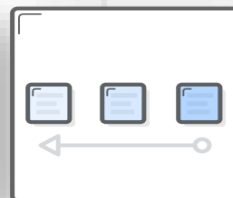
- **flex-direction**

- Specify which direction the main axis runs (which direction the flexbox children are laid out in)
- Default value → **row**

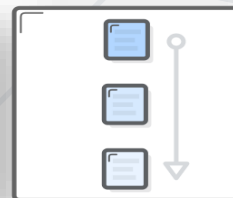
```
.box {  
  flex-direction: row | row-reverse | column | column-reverse;  
}
```



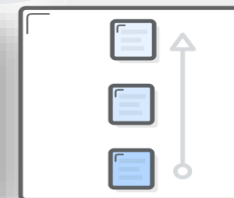
ROW



ROW-REVERSE



COLUMN



COLUMN-REVERSE

- **flex-wrap**

- Control the children overflow of the container

```
.box {  
  flex-wrap: wrap | nowrap | wrap-reverse;  
}
```



**NO WRAPPING**

FLEX-WRAP: NOWRAP;



**WITH WRAPPING**

FLEX-WRAP: WRAP;



- **justify-content**
  - Define the items alignment along the **main** axis

```
.box {  
  justify-content: flex-start | center | flex-end | space-around | space-between;  
}
```



FLEX-START



CENTER



FLEX-END



SPACE-AROUND



SPACE-BETWEEN

- **align-items**
  - Define the items alignment along the **cross** axis

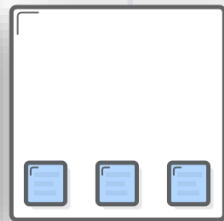
```
.box {  
  align-items: stretch | flex-start | flex-end | center |  
  justify-content | align-items;  
}
```



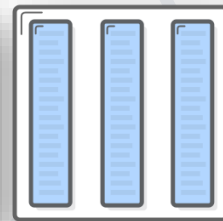
FLEX-START



CENTER



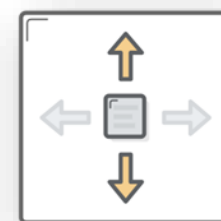
FLEX-END



STRETCH



JUSTIFY-CONTENT



ALIGN-ITEMS

- **align-content**
  - Define the container's lines alignment along the **cross** axis

```
.box {  
  align-items: flex-start | flex-end | center | space-between  
| space-around | stretch | start | end;  
}
```

- **gap**
  - Sets the gaps (gutters) between rows and columns

```
.box {  
  gap: 2em;  
}
```



**Items Properties**

- **order**

- Set the order to lay out an item in a flex container
  - Items in a container are sorted by ascending order value and then by their source code order

```
.box {  
  order: 1;  
}
```



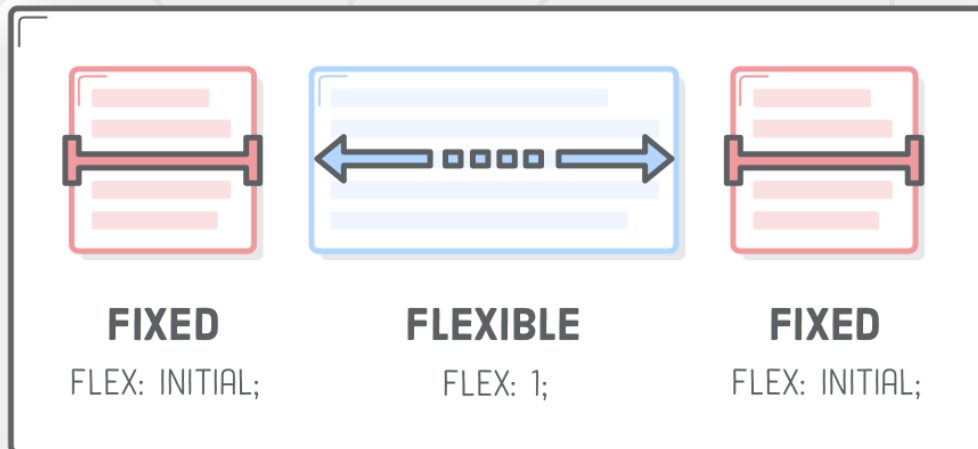
**FLEX-DIRECTION**  
(WHOLE CONTAINER)



**ORDER**  
(INDIVIDUAL ITEMS)

- **flex-grow**
  - Define the ability to grow an item

```
.box {  
  flex-grow: 1;  
}
```



- **flex-shrink**

- Define the ability to shrink an item

```
.box {  
  flex-shrink: 1;  
}
```

- **flex-basis**

- Set the initial main size of a flex item

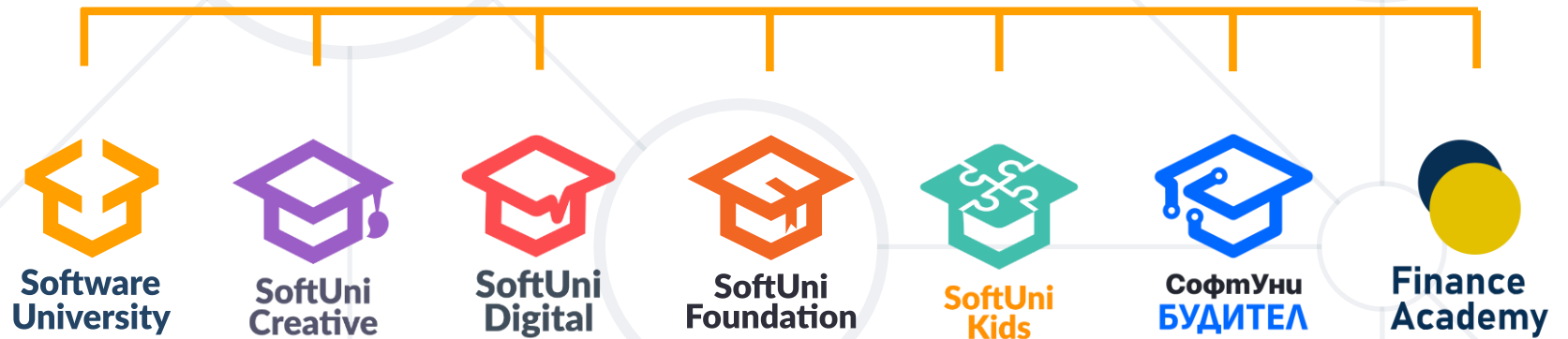
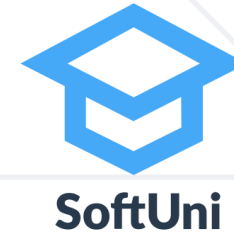
```
.box {  
  flex-basis: 20em;  
}
```



- The **CSS Box** model is a fundamental concept in web development
- Using various properties, allows **controlling** the **spacing** and **sizing** of elements
- **Inline** & **Block** elements define the behavior and styling of HTML elements
- **Flexbox** == powerful layout method for arranging elements in a web page
  - Container
  - Items



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