Container Class in Tailwind CSS

✓ What is the container class?

The container class in Tailwind is a responsive layout utility that applies a **maximum** width at each breakpoint and centers the content horizontally.

<div class="container mx-auto">

<!-- Content goes here -->

</div>

- container: gives your element a max-width depending on the screen size.
- mx-auto: centers the container horizontally using automatic margin on the left and right.

Why do we need it?

The container class:

- Prevents content from stretching too wide on large screens.
- Helps maintain readability and alignment.
- Ensures responsive layout behavior across screen sizes.

<div class="container mx-auto p-4">

<h1 class="text-xl font-bold">Hello World</h1>

</div>

In this example:

- p-4 adds padding inside the container.
- The layout will stay centered on all screen sizes.

Breakpoints of container

Tailwind's container adjusts automatically at these screen sizes:

Breakpoint	Class	Max Width
sm:	640px	max-w-sm
md:	768px	max-w-md
lg:	1024px	max-w-lg
xl:	1280px	max-w-xl
2xl:	1536px	max-w-2xl

To see this in action, try resizing your browser window with this code:

<div class="container mx-auto bg-blue-100 p-4">

This container's width changes based on the screen size.

</div>



Q: What is the use of container in Tailwind CSS?

A: The container class is used to wrap page content and apply responsive max-widths automatically at each breakpoint. It also ensures the content stays centered and aligned properly.

Q: Can we customize container breakpoints?

Yes. You can configure custom container widths in tailwind.config.js like:

js

module.exports = {

theme: {

container: {

center: true,

padding: '2rem',

screens: {

sm: "600px",

md: "728px",

lg: "984px",

xl: "1240px",

'2xl': "1496px",

},

},

},

}