CS193X: Web Programming Fundamentals

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Schedule

- Squarespace Layout
  - Single row/column flexbox
- `vh / vw / box-sizing`

Font-related CSS review

Name	Description
`font-family`	Font face (mdn)
`color`	Font color (and always font color) (mdn)
`font-size`	Font size (mdn)
`line-height`	Line height (mdn)
`text-align`	Alignment of text (mdn)

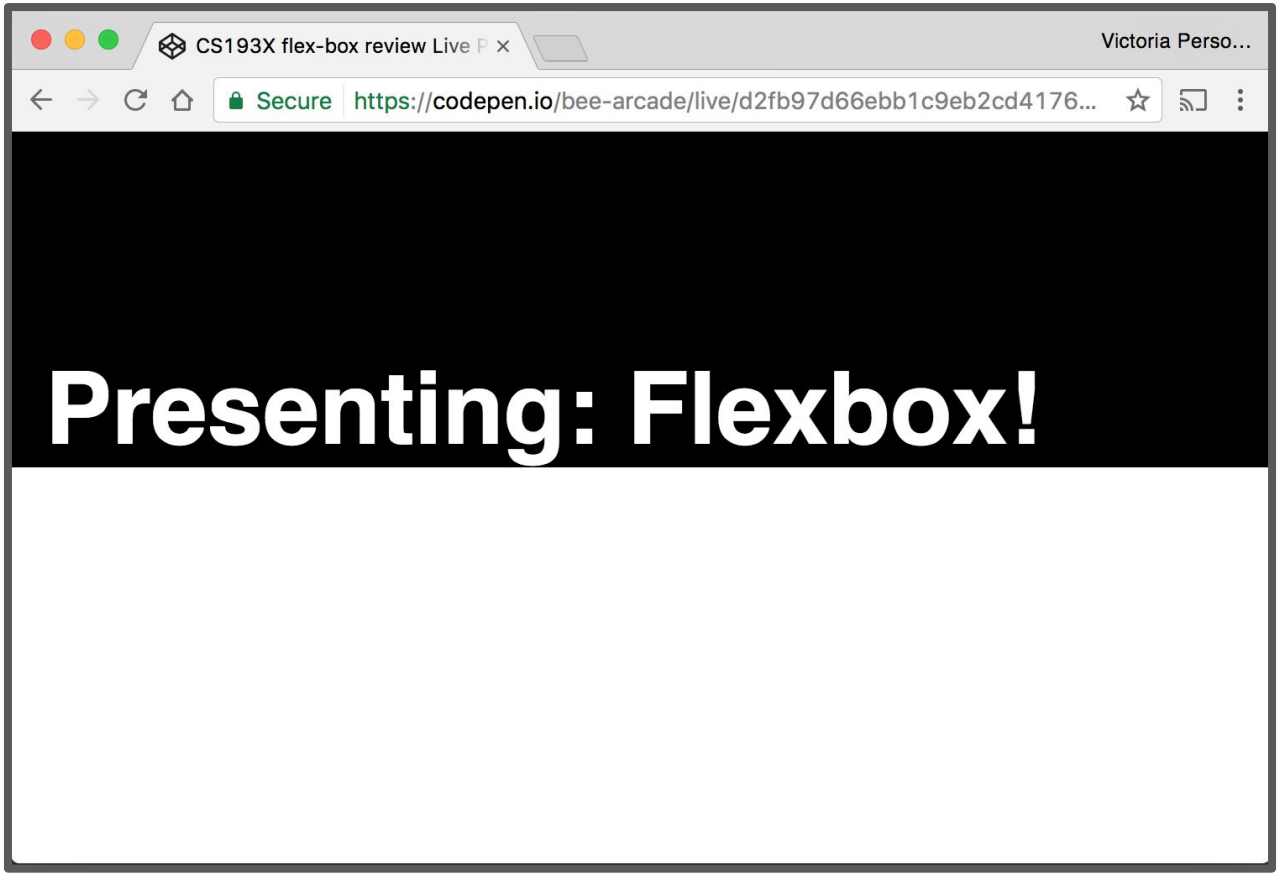
More font-related CSS

Name	Description
`text-decoration`	Can set `underline`, `line-through` (strikethrough) or `none` (e.g. to unset underline on hyperlinks) (mdn)
`text-transform`	Can change font **case**, i.e. `uppercase`, `lowercase`, `capitalize`, `none` (mdn)
`font-style`	Can set to `italic` or `normal` (e.g. to unset italic on `<em>`) (mdn)
`font-weight`	Can set to `bold` or `normal` (e.g. to unset bold on `h1` - `h6`) (mdn)
`letter-spacing`	Controls the space between letters (mdn)

Flexbox

Review: Flexbox

How do we create this look? (Codepen)



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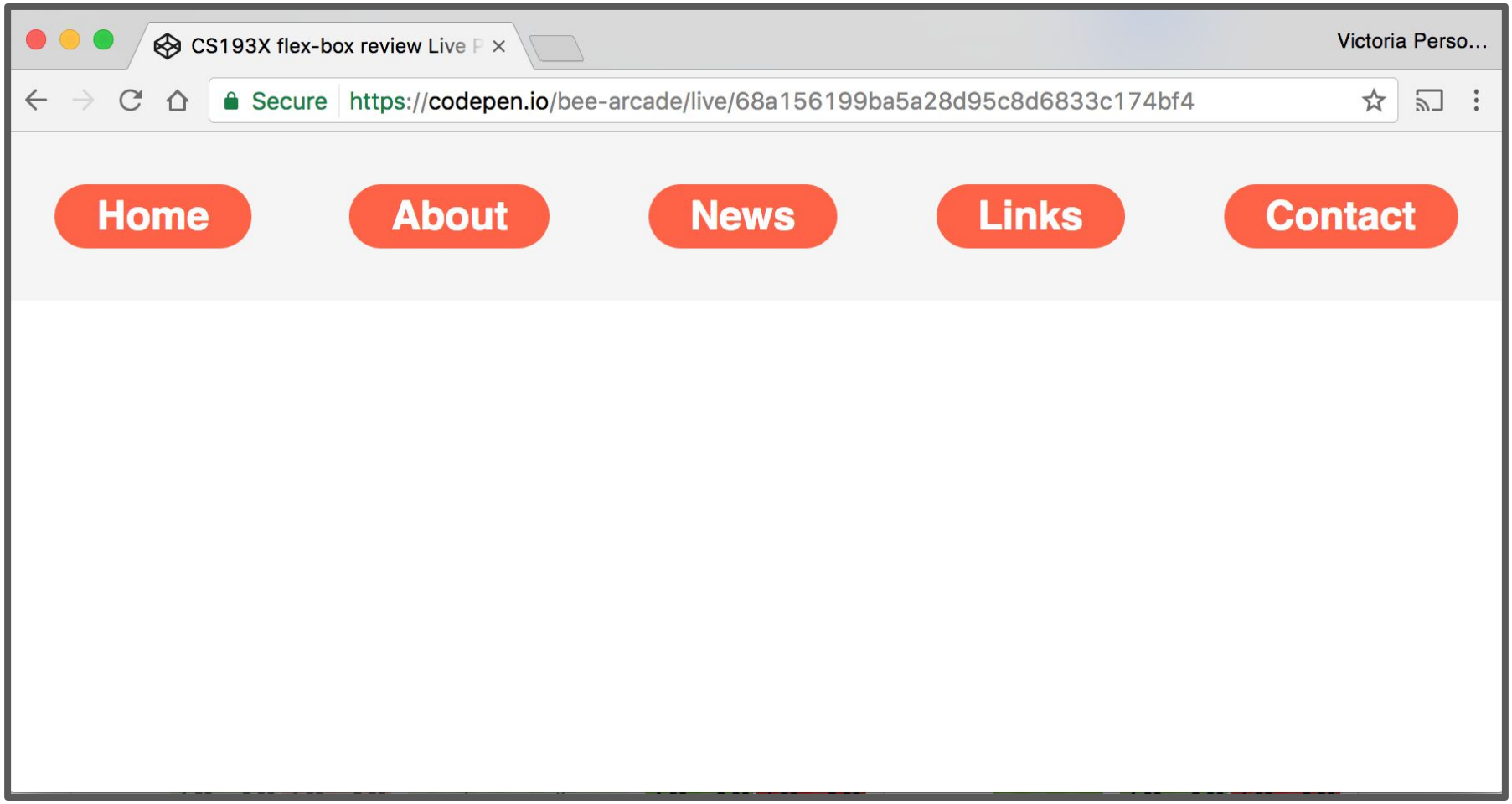
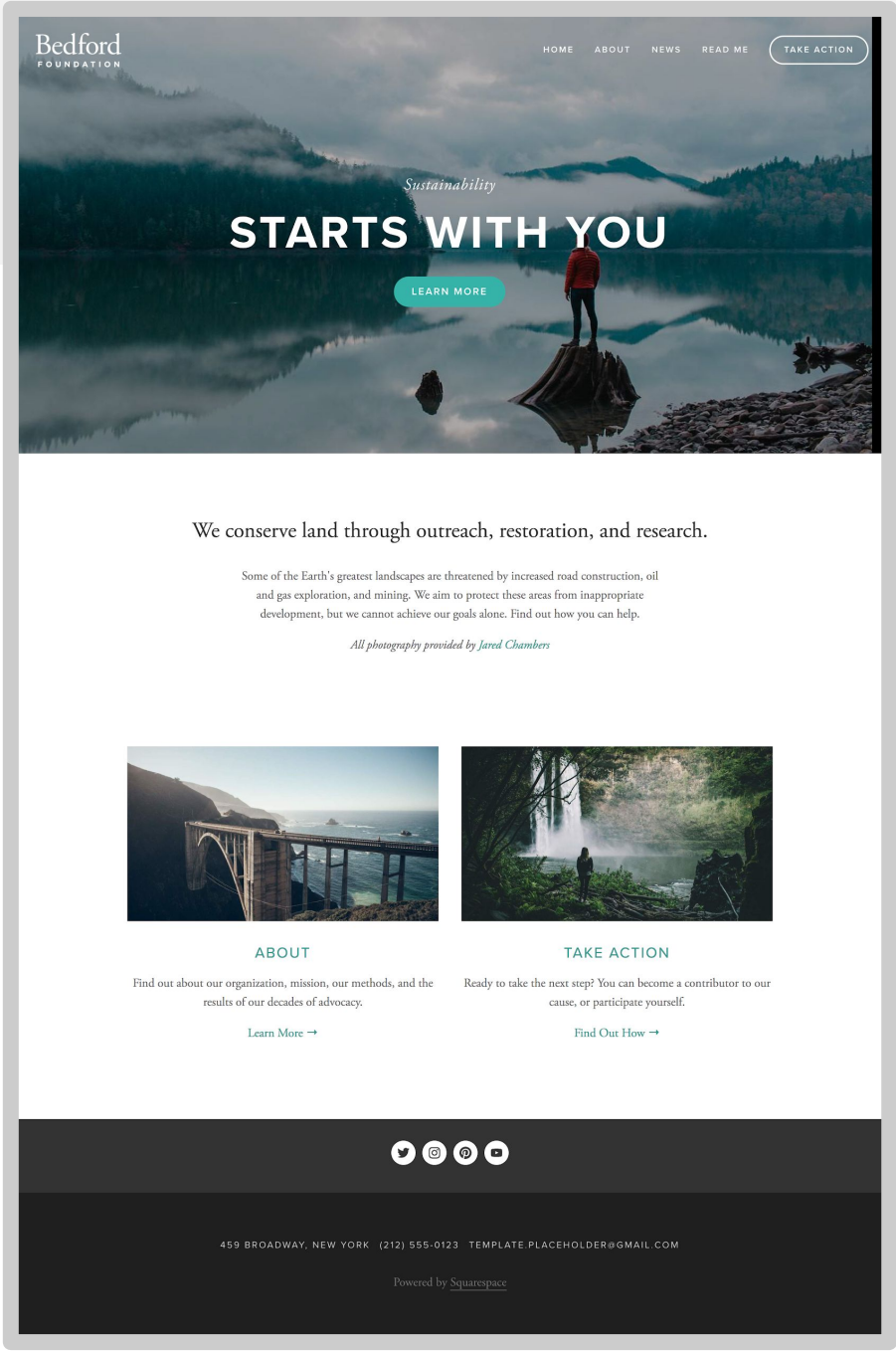


Continuing where we left off!

Goal

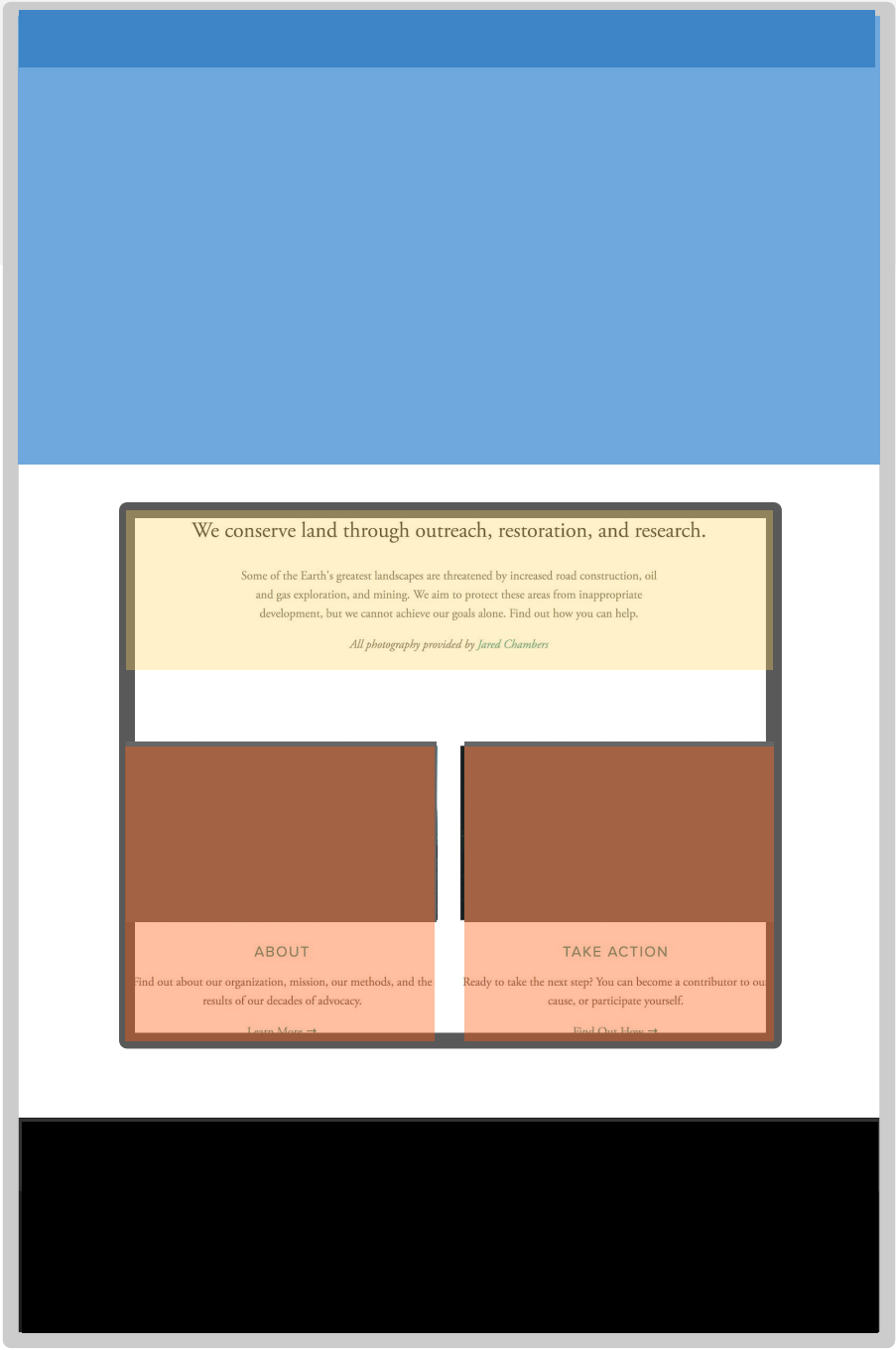
We were trying to create a layout that looks sort of like this:



Status

We broke up the layout into a bunch of colored boxes:

And we got kind of stuck trying to position the orange boxes.



Recall: block layouts

If `#flex-container` was **not** `display: flex:`

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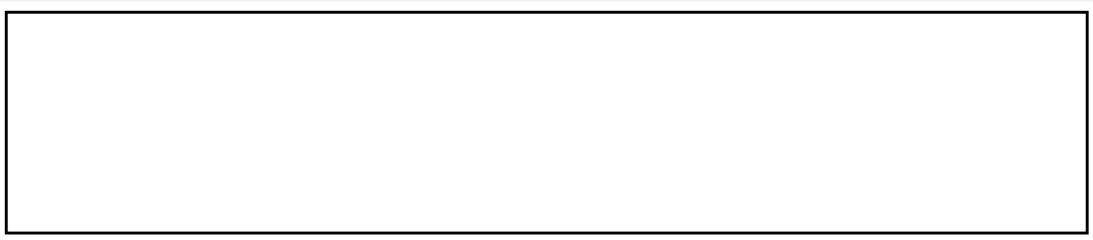

Then the span `flex-items` would not show up because span elements are inline, which don't have a height and width

(Review block and inline!)

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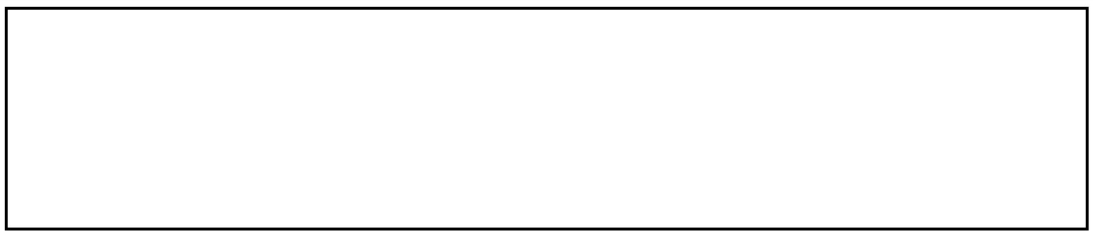

(Please make sure you completely understand why the elements do not show up!)

Check out **block vs inline guide**

What happens if the flex item is an inline element?

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JS

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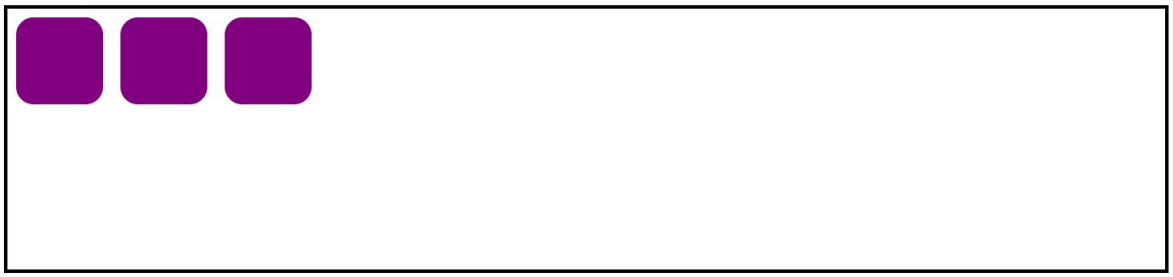

Why does this change when `display: flex`?

Why do inline elements suddenly seem to have height and width?

Flex: A different rendering mode

- When you set a container to `display: flex`, the direct children in that container are **flex items** and follow a new set of rules.
- **Flex items are not block or inline;** they have different rules for their height, width, and layout.
  - The *contents* of a flex item follow the usual block/inline rules, relative to the flex item's boundary.
- The **height** and **width** of flex items are… complicated.

Follow along on CodePen

Flex item sizing

Flex basis

Flex items have an initial width*, which, by default is either:

- The content width, or
- The explicitly set **`width`** property of the element, or
- The explicitly set **`flex-basis`** property of the element

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The explicit width* of a flex item is respected *for all flex items*, regardless of whether the flex item is inline, block, or inline-block.

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Flex basis

If we unset the `height` and `width`, our flex items disappears, because the **flex basis** is now the content size, which is empty:

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```

`flex-shrink`

The width* of the flex item can automatically shrink **smaller than the flex basis** via the **`flex-shrink`** property:

`flex-shrink`:

- If set to 1, the flex item shrinks itself as small as it can in the space available.
- If set to 0, the flex item does not shrink.

Flex items have `flex-shrink`: 1 by default.

*width in the case of rows; height in the case of columns

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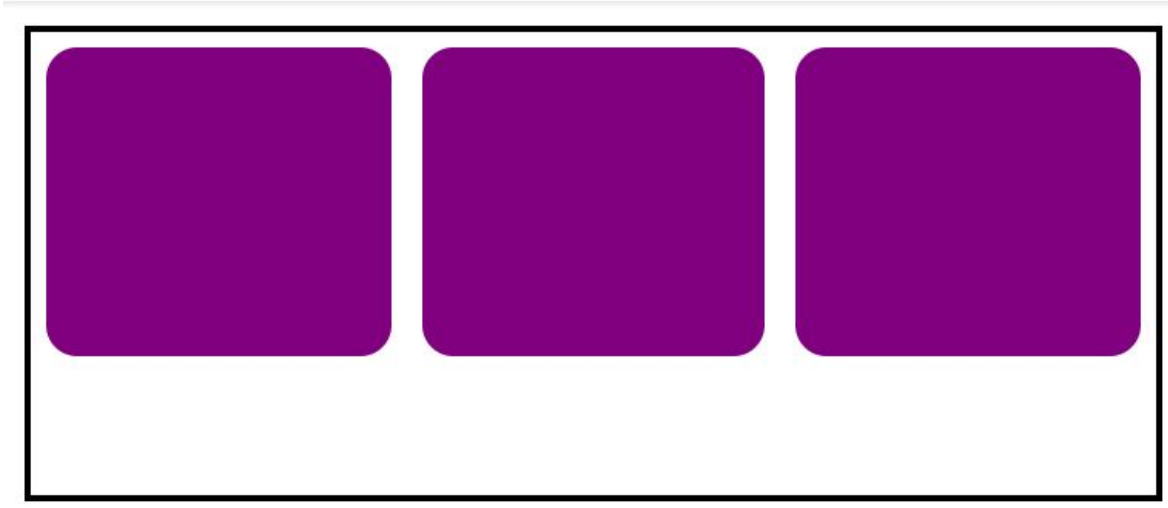

The flex items' widths all shrink to fit within the container.

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```css
.flex-item {
  width: 500px;
  height: 100px;
  flex-shrink: 0;

  border-radius: 10px;
  background-color: purple;
  margin: 5px;
}
```

Setting `flex-shrink: 0;` undoes the shrinking behavior, and the flex items do not shrink in any circumstance:

`flex-grow`

The width* of the flex item can automatically **grow larger than the flex basis** via the `flex-grow` property:

`flex-grow`:

- If set to 1, the flex item grows itself as large as it can in the space remaining.
- If set to 0, the flex-item does not grow.

Flex items have `flex-grow: 0` by default.

*width in the case of rows; height in the case of columns

`flex-grow` example

Let's unset the height and width of our flex items again:

HTML

```
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`flex-grow` example

If we set `flex-grow: 1`, the flex items fill the empty space:

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Flex item height**?!

Note that `flex-grow` only controls width*.

So why does the height** of the flex items seem to "grow" as well?

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`align-items: stretch;`

The default value of `align-items` is `stretch`, which means every flex item grows vertically* to fill the container by default.

(This will not happen if the `height` on the flex item is set)

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*vertically in the case of rows; horizontally in the case of columns

`align-items: stretch;`

If we set another value for `align-items`, the flex items disappear again because the height is now content height, which is 0:

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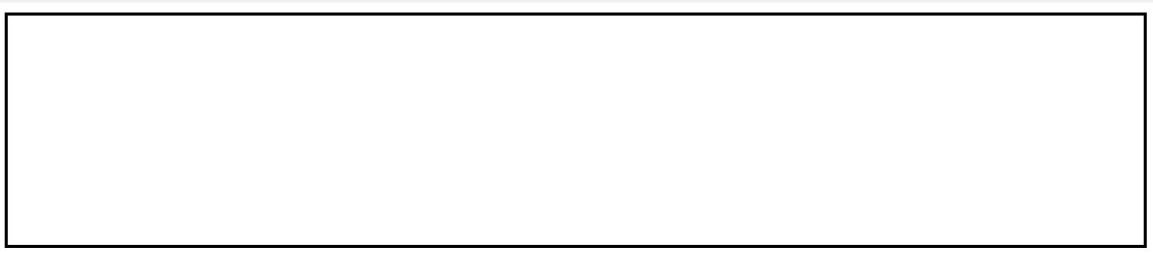
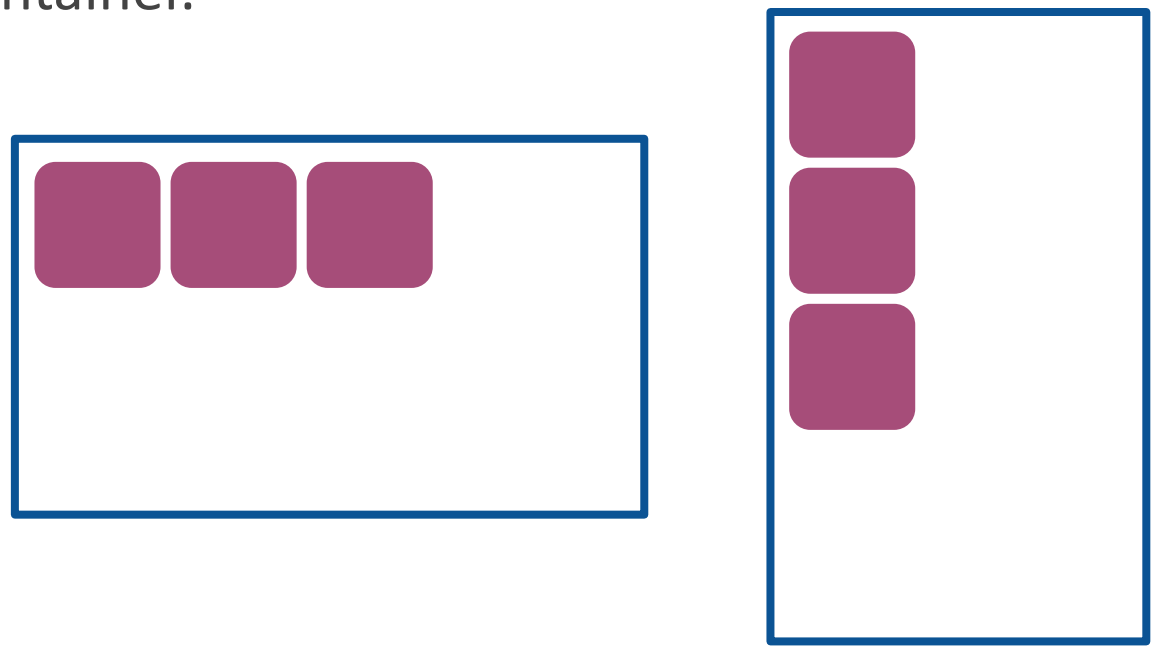


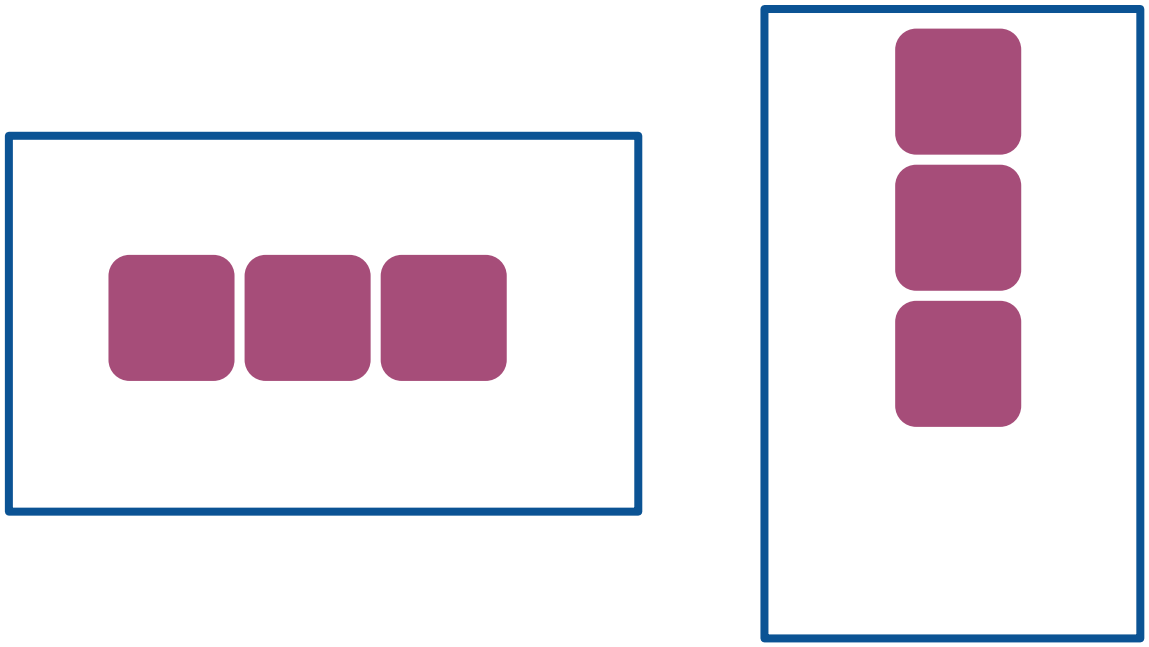
Flex layout recap

- If you set `display: flex`, the element is now a **flex container** and its direct children are **flex items**.
- The items in a flex container will layout in a `row` or `column` depending on the `flex-direction` of the container.



Flex layout recap

- **`justify-contents`** distributes the items horizontally for `flex-direction: row`, vertically for `column`
- **`align-items`** distributes the items vertically for `flex-direction: row`, horizontally for `column`



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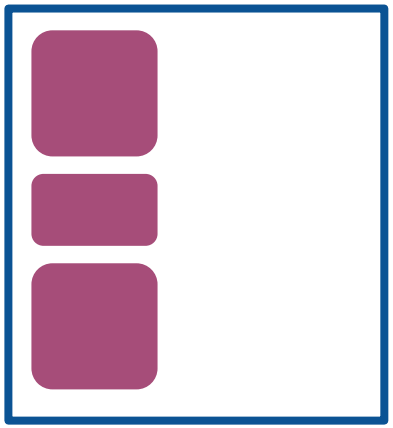

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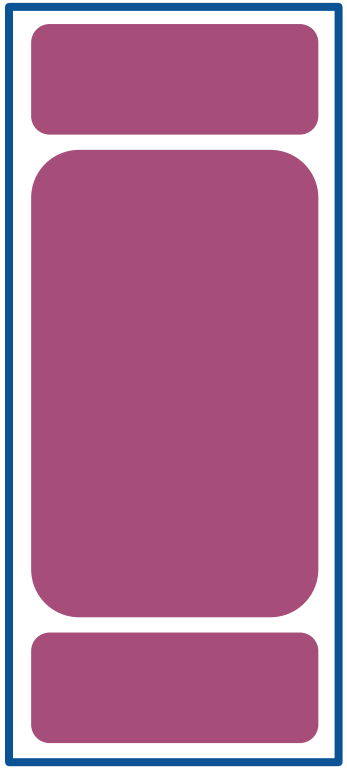
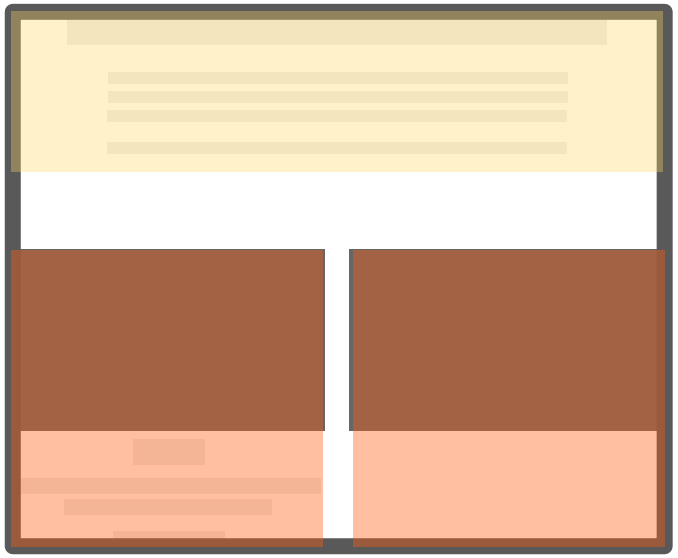


That's still just scratching the surface of flex box...

...but we now know enough to continue our layout!



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Height and width quirks:
`vh`, `vw`, `box-sizing`

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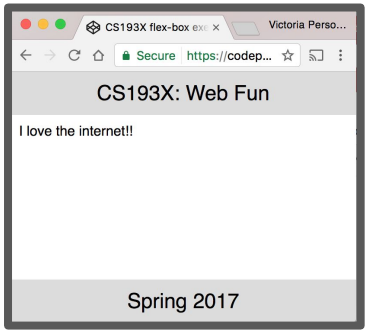

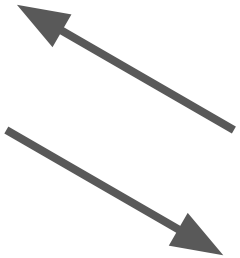

The header and footer stay at the top and bottom of the viewport. (Live example)

`height` and `width` percentages

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In other words, `height` and `width` are defined **relative to their parent element** when defined as a percentage.

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HTML

```html
<div id="box">
  <div id="upper-half">
    <div id="upper-quarter"></div>
  </div>
</div>
```

CSS

```css
#box {
  height: 500px;
  width: 500px;
  background-color: hotpink;
}

#upper-half {
  height: 50%;
  width: 100%;
}

#upper-quarter {
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}

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}
```

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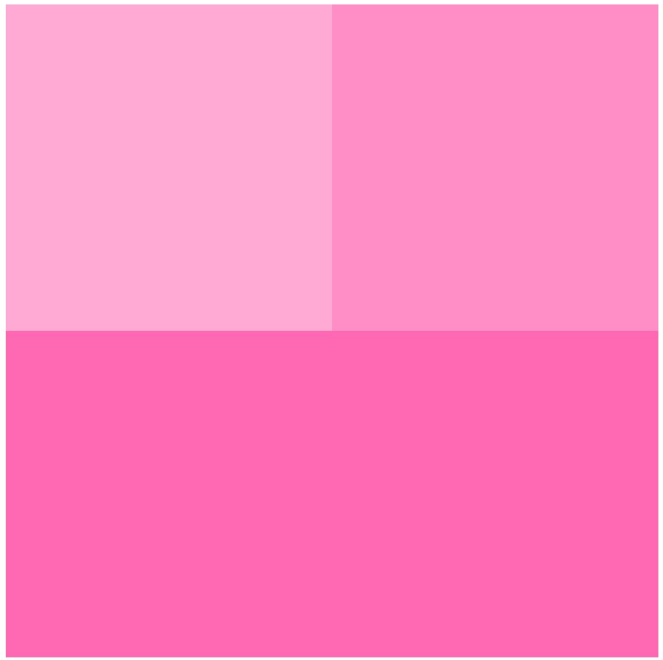

(Codepen)

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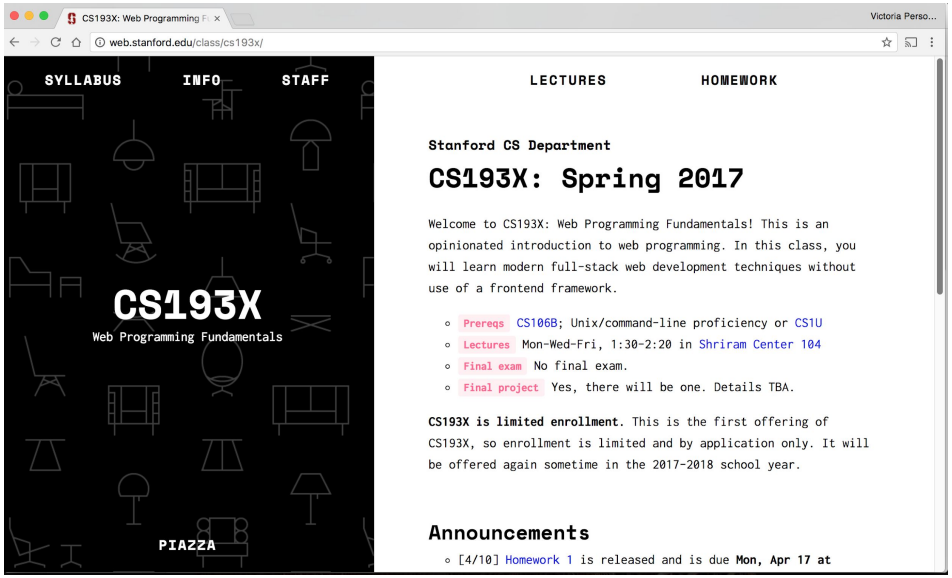

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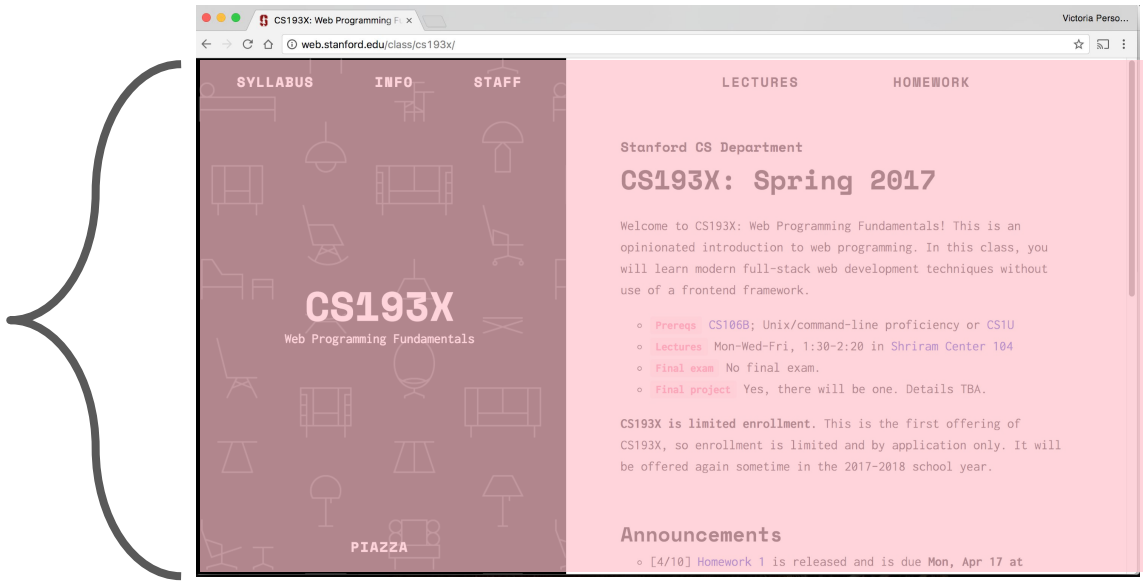

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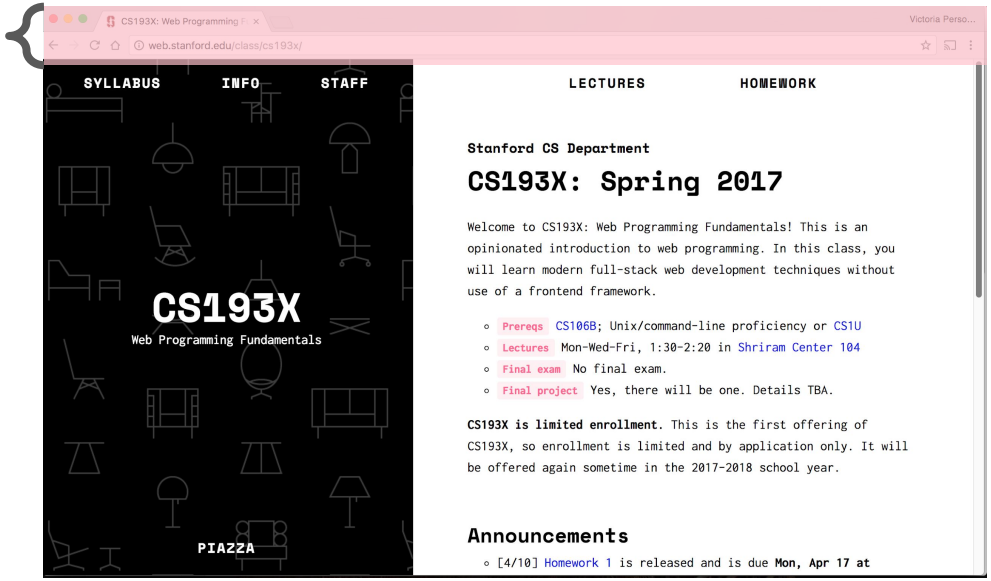


vh and vw

You can define `height` and `width` in terms of the viewport

- Use units `vh` and `vw` to set `height` and `width` to the percentage of the viewport's height and width, respectively (mdn)
- `1vh` = 1/100th of the viewport height
- `1vw` = 1/100th of the viewport width

Example:

- `height: 100vh;`
- `width: 100vw;`

Flexbox example, solved

HTML

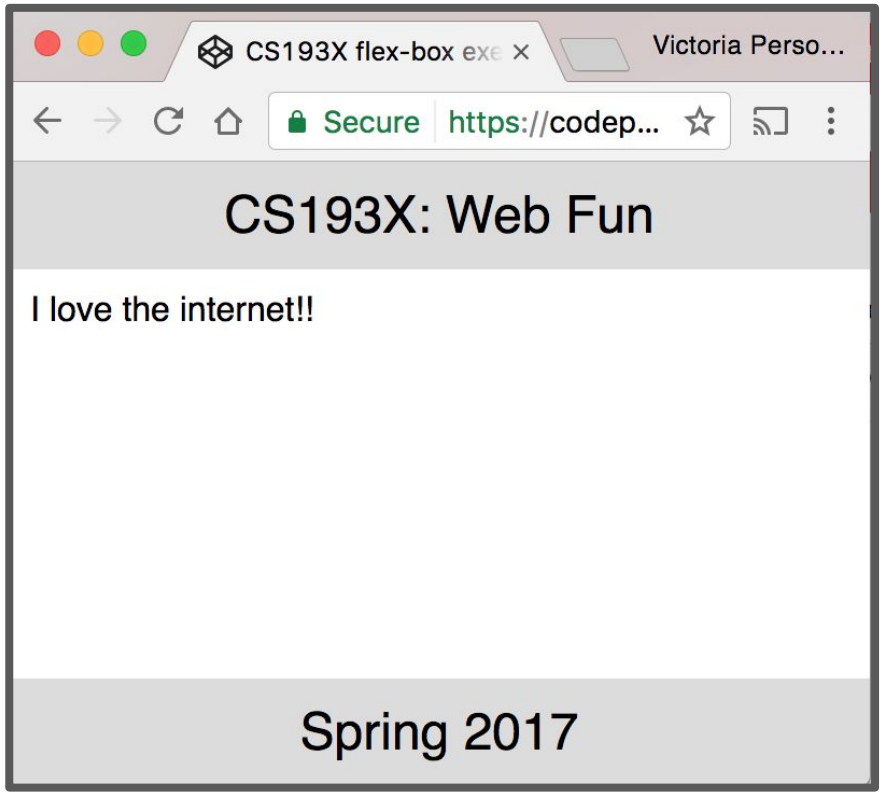
```
<article>
  <header>CS193X: Web Fun</header>
  <section>
    <p>I love the internet!!</p>
  </section>
  <footer>Spring 2017</footer>
</article>
```

CSS

```
article {
  display: flex;
  flex-direction: column;
  height: 100vh;
  width: 100%;
}

section {
  flex-grow: 1;
  padding: 10px;
}
```

(rest of the CSS)



(CodePen)

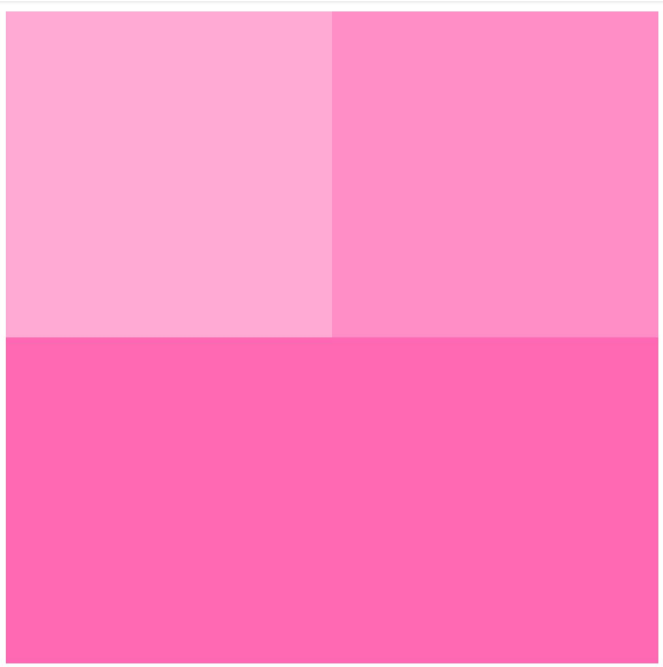
Aside: sizing

Q: What happens if we add a border to #upper-half?

```
<div id="box">
  <div id="upper-half">
    <div id="upper-quarter"></div>
  </div>
</div>
```

```
#upper-half {
  height: 50%;
  width: 100%;
}
```

(rest of the css)



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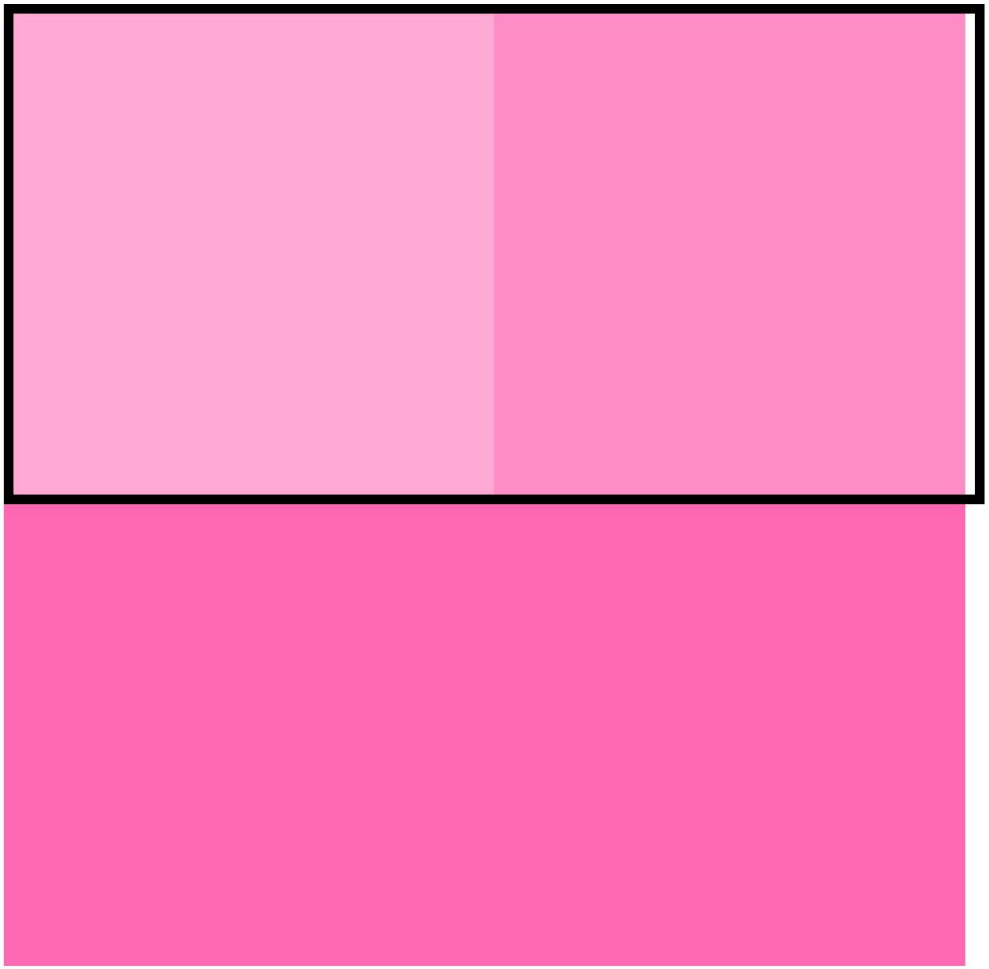
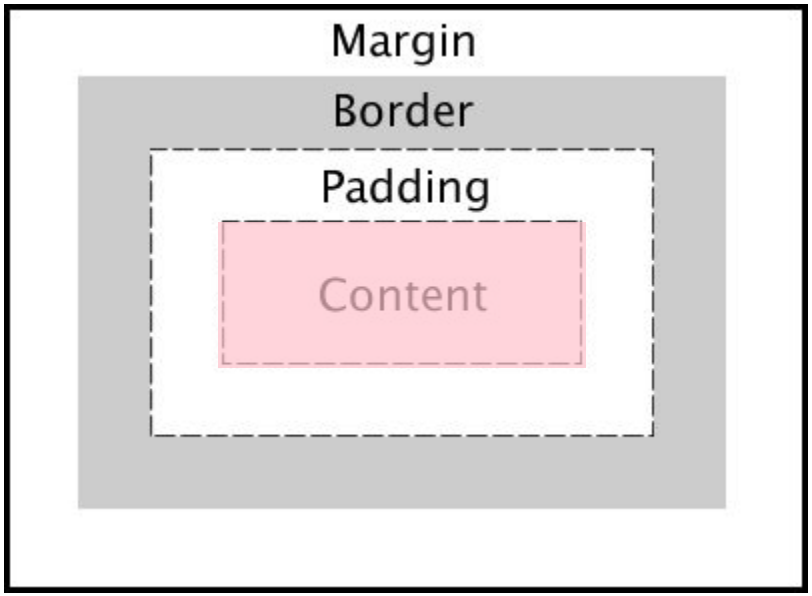
```
#upper-half {
  height: 50%;
  width: 100%;
  border: 5px solid black;
}
```

(rest of the CSS)



CSS box model width and height

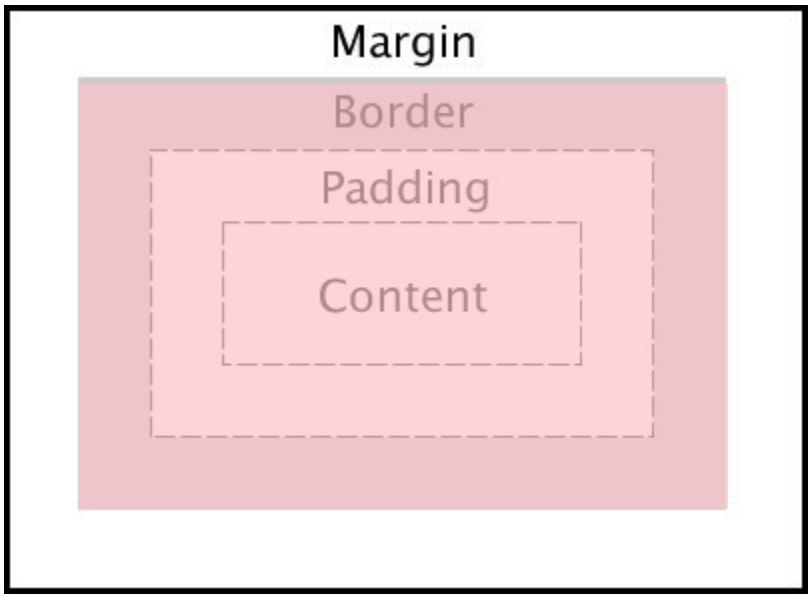
The box model defines CSS `width` and `height` properties to refer to the element's **content** width and height:



box-sizing

If you want to have `width` and `height` refer to the element's **border** width and height, use `box-sizing`:

- `box-sizing: border-box;`

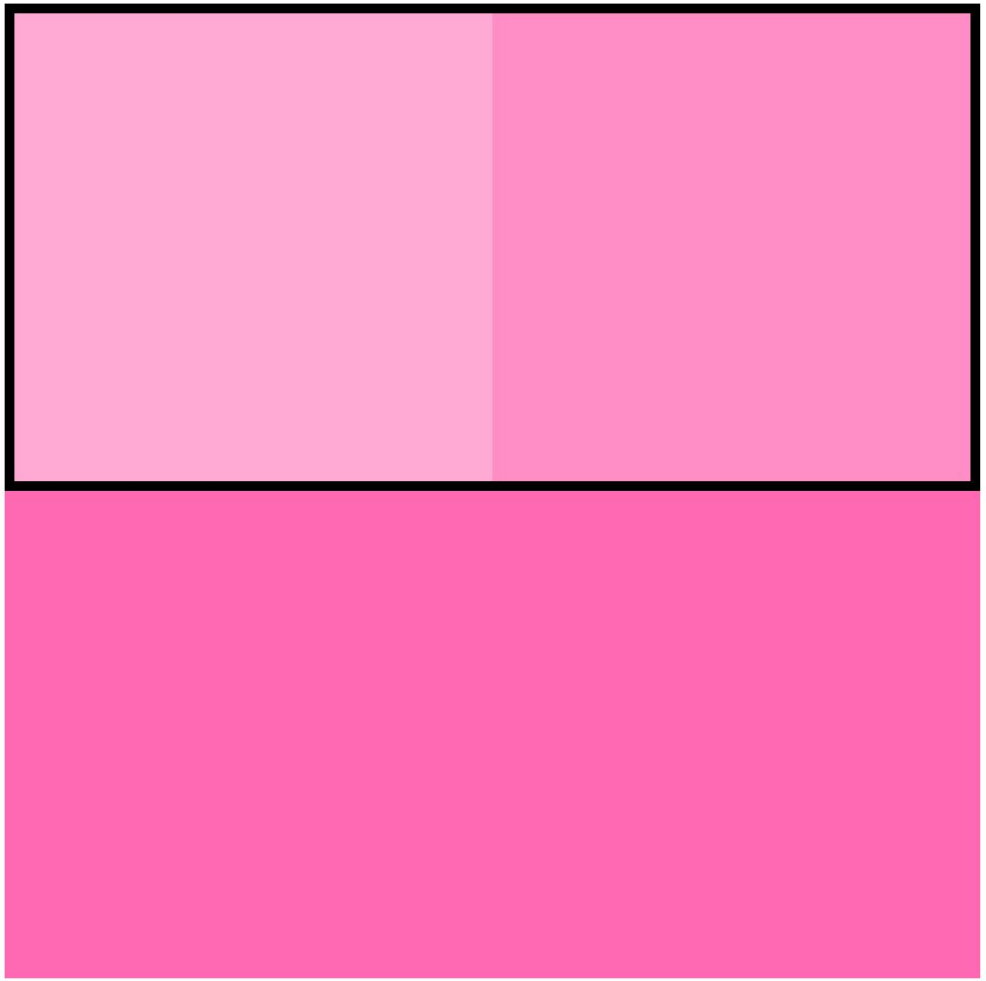


Note: Using `border-box` will include padding in the `width` and `height` as well.
Note: You **cannot** select padding-box or margin-box.

Fixed example

```
#upper-half {
  height: 50%;
  width: 100%;
  border: 5px solid black;
  box-sizing: border-box;
}
```

(rest of the CSS)



Before we finish Squarespace...

Another rendering mode: `position`

Next time!