Where do I Draw? (coordinate systems and 2D Transforms)

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Lecture 2

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Key Idea #1

Work in convenient coordinate systems. Use transformations to get from where you want to be to where you need to be. Hierarchical modeling lets us build things out of pieces.

Today: Let's Draw a Line!

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Output
HTML ▼
                                           JavaScript •
                                                                                            Run with JS
 1 <!DOCTYPE html>
                                                                                          Auto-run JS 🗵 🥕
 2 <html>
                                            2 var canvas =
 3 <head>
                                              document.getElementById('myCanvas');
      <meta name="description"</pre>
                                            3 var context = canvas.getContext('2d');
            content="Draw A Line">
 6 </head>
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                                            6 context.lineWidth = 5;
 7 <body>
      <canvas id="myCanvas"</pre>
                                            7 context.strokeStyle = "#C08";
        width="200" height="200"
9
        style="border:1px solid #000;">
                                            9 // the actual line
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      </canvas>
                                           10 context.beginPath();
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                                           11 context.moveTo(50,50);
12 </body>
13 <!-- CS559 Tutorial by Michael
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                                           13 context.stroke();
14 </html>
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http://jsbin.com/satunaromo/edit

Why this?

A little web programming so you can do the assignment

Exposure to a graphics library (API)

Some important graphics concepts

It draws a line

It draws a thick red diagonal line

It puts a drawing space on the page called a **canvas**

It causes a bunch of pixels to be changed from the background color to purple

The HTML

You need some

Make a canvas

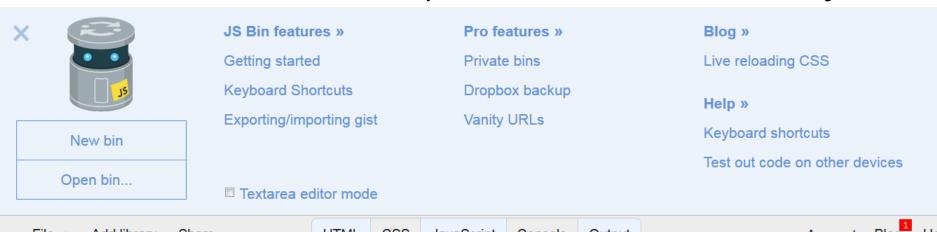
Give it an id

Not really graphics...

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JSBin...

Sticks the JavaScript into the HTML body





The JavaScript

Warning: read the tutorial on when code runs!

The JavaScript

Find the canvas

Get the context

Draw

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Context?

An API with state

Set the style for the next drawing commands

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Context

What pen and paper are we using?

The state needed to know how to draw where are we drawing? any mode information properties to use for next commands other info

Object oriented APIs receieves drawing commands

Drawing - immediate mode

Drag the pen along the path

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Now

Immediate vs. Retained

2 types of APIs

Immediate: draw now
Retained: store the object
gather them all up
draw them all at once

Drawing - immediate mode

The line never "exists"

Only gets turned into pixels

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Immediate Mode

Pros:

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easy – does what you want control over timing
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Cons:

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can't change things (need to redraw) can't analyze collection can't send things in bulk
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Pen and Path Model

Move pen around

Stroke or Fill in current style

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Not for today...

How do we convert from **primitives** (the line) to **pixels**?

Need to determine which pixels to set to which colors.

rasterization

rendering

Coordinates and Coordinate Systems

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What does 50,50 mean?

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Interpreting coodinates with coordinate systems

Need to know what it means

Want to use convenient numbers

Need to be able to translate between systems

Manipulate systems to move objects

A tuple (ordered list) of numbers

50,50 – is just a list of numbers

Vectors – a movement, a displacement, ...

Represented in a tuple / array

Point / position – specific place

Represented in a tuple / array