

# Using Canvases to Create Images

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# What is the Canvas?



## JavaScript-based graphics using `<canvas>` element



## Used to create 2D and 3D rasterized images



Good choice for animation,  
game graphics, and image  
manipulation applications



# Canvases are easy to use!

# First Steps with Canvases

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All drawing done via a context





# Drawing Contexts

2d

webgl

webgl2

bitmaprenderer

...



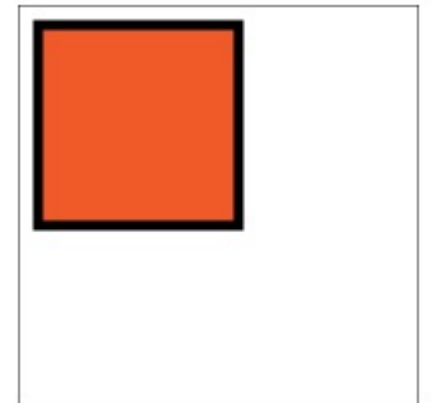
# Drawing Basic Shapes

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```
<body>
  <canvas id="canvas"
    height="200" width="200"></canvas>
  <script>
    const canvas =
      document.getElementById('canvas');
    const ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
    ctx.strokeStyle = 'black';
    ctx.fillStyle = 'rgb(240, 90, 40)';
    ctx.lineWidth = 5;
    ctx.beginPath();
    ctx.rect(10, 10, 100, 100);
    ctx.stroke();
    ctx.fill();
  </script>
</body>
```

- ◀ Canvas HTML element
- ◀ Set height and width attributes
- ◀ Reference to <canvas> in JavaScript
- ◀ Retrieve drawing context
- ◀ Set context attributes
- ◀ Start a new shape
- ◀ Define the rectangle
- ◀ Draw outline of shape
- ◀ Fill shape



# Basic Shapes

```
rect(x, y, width, height)
```



```
ellipse(x, y, rx, ry, rotation,  
        startAngle, endAngle, [anticlockwise]);
```



```
arc(x, y, radius,  
     startAngle, endAngle, [anticlockwise]);
```

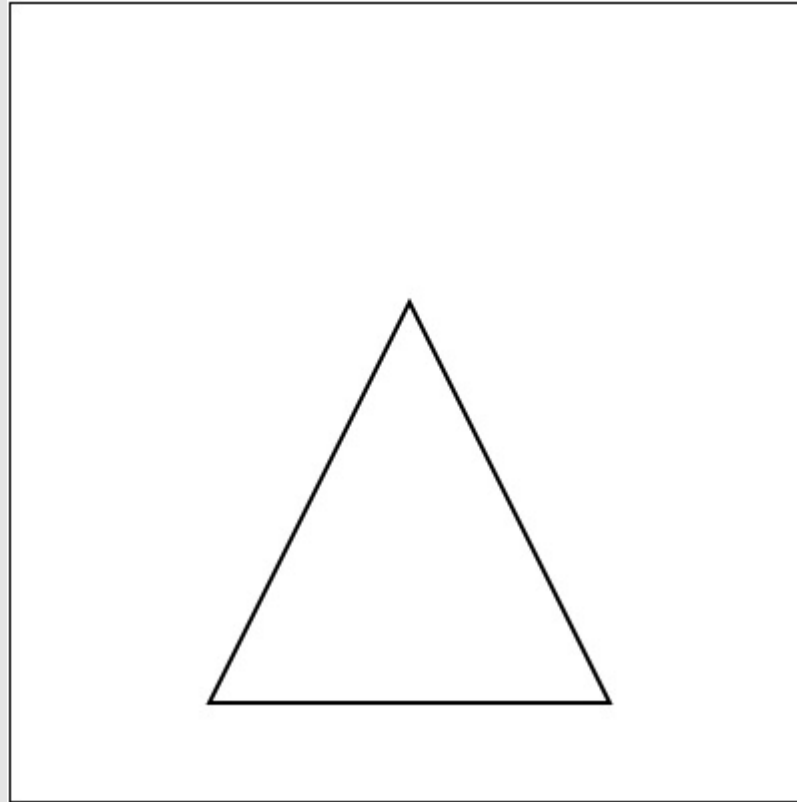
```
arcTo(x1, y1, x2, y2, radius);
```

```
lineTo(x, y);
```



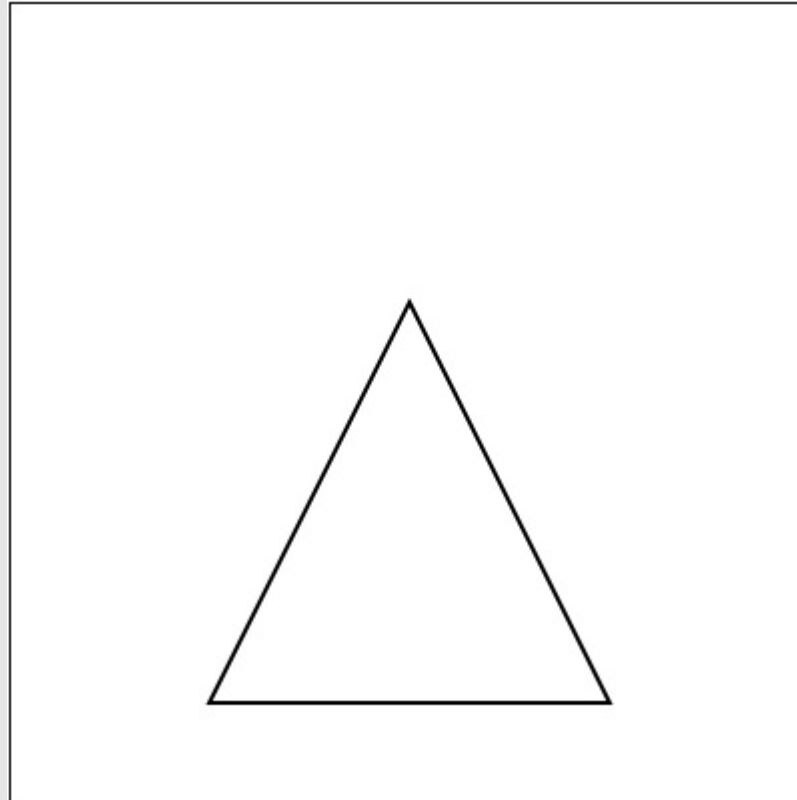
# Drawing with Path Elements

```
ctx.beginPath();  
ctx.moveTo(100, 75);  
ctx.lineTo(150, 175);  
ctx.lineTo(50, 175);  
ctx.closePath();  
ctx.stroke();
```



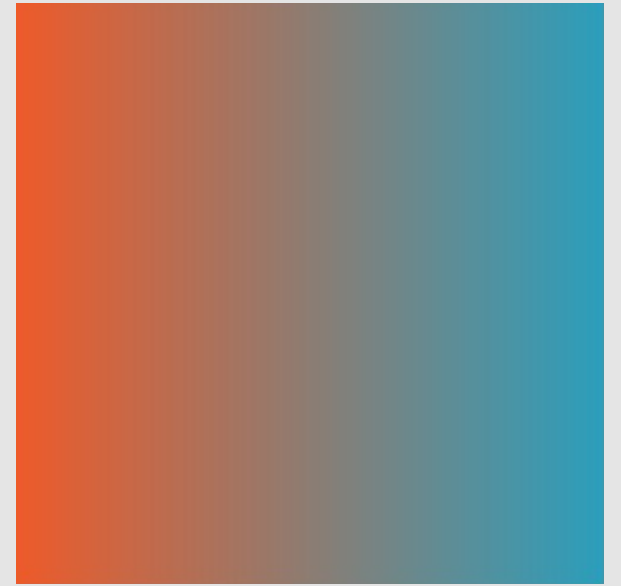
# Drawing with Path Elements

```
const p = new Path2D(  
    'M 100, 75  
    l 50, 100  
    h -100  
    z');  
ctx.stroke(p);
```



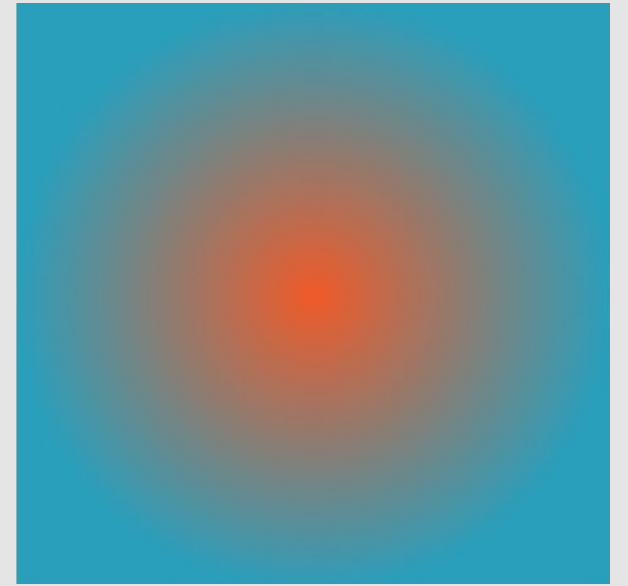
# Gradients

```
const ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');  
  
const gradient =  
    ctx.createLinearGradient(10, 0, 180, 0);  
gradient.addColorStop(0, 'rgb(240, 90, 40)');  
gradient.addColorStop(1, 'rgb(42, 159, 188)');  
  
ctx.fillStyle = gradient;  
ctx.fillRect(10, 10, 180, 180);
```



# Gradients

```
const ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');  
  
const gradient =  
    ctx.createRadialGradient(100, 100, 0, 100, 100, 100);  
gradient.addColorStop(0, 'rgb(240, 90, 40)');  
gradient.addColorStop(1, 'rgb(42, 159, 188)');  
  
ctx.fillStyle = gradient;  
ctx.fillRect(10, 10, 180, 180);
```





# Summary



## What is the Canvas?

### Rendering different types of content

- Basic shapes
- Paths
- Text
- Images

### Sketch tool



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**Scalable Vector Graphics  
(SVG)**

**Canvas**

