

EECS 1710 Programming for Digital Media

Lecture 7 :: Decision Making



Important Announcements

- Midterm
 - Next Wednesday Oct 5, 2022
 - 12:40pm 1:20pm (40 mins)
 - Written exam
 - Worksheets & sample test will be posted this week
- Labtest 1 (after reading week)
 - October 19, 10:30am 12pm
 - Labtest will start at 10:30am (closes at 12noon) 1hr 30mins
 - We will do a short 30min sample test run (in lab3 Oct 5) from 11am - 11:30am



This Week

Lecture 7

- Error Types
- Strings & string methods (revisited)
- text(), textWidth(), textSize()
- random()
- relational and conditional operators

Lecture 8

- conditional logic practice
- Branching
- IF, ELSE
- SWITCH, CASE



First, a note on errors ...

In lab1, you may have encountered 3 types of error:

SYNTAX errors

 Compile time (i.e. statement is illegally specified, and you will be prevented from running – mostly detected by the PDE)

RUNTIME errors

- Program can run, but may cause an exception (e.g. a variable has an unexpected value)
- o E.g. int y = 5 / x; // causes div by zero exception if x=0
 output: ArithmeticException: / by zero

LOGIC errors

- runs but output is wrong (nothing to tell you in PDE, or at runtime)
- o E.g. int area = width + height;



More on Methods!



String Expressions

 We can use the '+' operator on Strings to join them together!

```
String strWorld = "World";
String str = "Hello" + " " + strWorld;
String str2 = str + "\n" + "EECS" + 1710;
```

- We can join any type to a string using a string expression
 - The type will be converted automatically to a string



other String methods in Processing?

```
String str = " hello world ";
print(trim(str));
```

String Functions

| join() | Combines an array of Strings into one String, each separated by the character(s) used for the separator parameter |
|---------------|---|
| matchA11() | This function is used to apply a regular expression to a piece of text |
| match() | The function is used to apply a regular expression to a piece of text, and return matching groups (elements fou inside parentheses) as a String array |
| nf() | Utility function for formatting numbers into strings |
| nfc() | Utility function for formatting numbers into strings and placing appropriate commas to mark units of 1000 |
| nfp() | Utility function for formatting numbers into strings |
| nfs() | Utility function for formatting numbers into strings |
| splitTokens() | The splitTokens() function splits a String at one or many character "tokens" |
| split() | The split() function breaks a string into pieces using a character or string as the divider |
| trim() | Removes whitespace characters from the beginning and end of a String |

Remove whitespace (spaces, tabs, newlines)

Formats numbers into strings (e.g. with nearest decimal places, commas, etc



Printing text/typography to app window?

To do this, make use of these methods:

Typography

| | PFont | Grayscale bitmap font class used by Processing |
|----------------------|---------------|---|
| Loading & Displaying | createFont() | Dynamically converts a font to the format used by Processing |
| | loadFont() | Loads a font into a variable of type PFont |
| | textFont() | Sets the current font that will be drawn with the text() function |
| | text() | Draws text to the screen |
| | | |
| Attributes | textAlign() | Sets the current alignment for drawing text |
| | textLeading() | Sets the spacing between lines of text in units of pixels |
| | textMode() | Sets the way text draws to the screen |
| | textSize() | Sets the current font size |
| | textWidth() | Calculates and returns the width of any character or text string |
| | | |
| Metrics | textAscent() | Returns ascent of the current font at its current size |
| | textDescent() | Returns descent of the current font at its current size |
| | | |



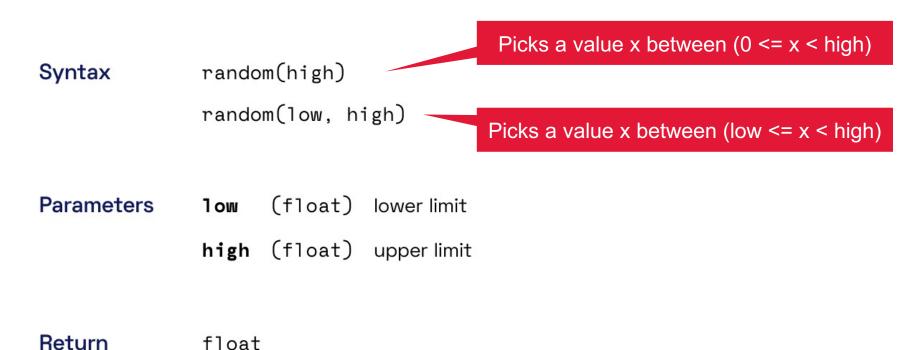
Capturing and displaying user key presses

```
// A rough capture of key presses that append
// the characters to the end of the string
// and display using the text() method
String str = "";
void setup() {
  size(800, 600);
  stroke(255, 255, 255);
  textSize(40);
void draw() {
  background(0, 0, 0);
                                                      No filters on
  text(str, 100, 300);
                                                    these characters
void keyPressed() {
  // key is the character pressed and
  // concatenated onto the current string str
  str += key;
```



Math → random()

Very useful:





Random float or int?

Combine some methods

```
// RANDOMLY PICK A NUMBER BETWEEN low & high (inclusive)

final float LOW = 0;
final float HIGH = 10;

void setup() {
}

void draw() {

float value = random(LOW, HIGH+1);

println("random real between (" + low + "," + high + ") = " + value);
println("random int between (" + low + "," + high + ") = " + floor(value));
}
```



Random Colours

```
// Random background colour
// random(high); or random(low,high);
final float LOW = 0;
final float HIGH = 256;
void setup() {
  size(300,300);
void draw() {
  // floor ensures we never pick higher than 255
  float red = floor(random(LOW, HIGH));
  float green = floor(random(LOW, HIGH));
  float blue = floor(random(LOW, HIGH));
  background(red, green, blue);
  //delay(100);
```



Side Note

delay()

```
      Syntax
      delay(napTime)

      Parameters
      napTime (int) milliseconds to pause before running draw() again

      Return
      void
```

frameRate()

- default is 60 fps (frames per second)
- can set the frameRate(fps);
- or access the system variable: println(frameRate);



Random Objects

```
// RANDOM Circles with Random Colours
// CREATE RANDOMLY SIZED CIRCLES of RANDOM COLOURS in the APP WINDOW
float posX;
float posY;
float radius;
void setup() {
  size(640, 480);
 background(255,255,255);
void draw() {
 posX = random(0, width);
 posY = random(0,height);
  radius = random(100);
  fill(floor(random(0,256)), floor(random(0,256)), floor(random(0,256)));
  circle(posX, posY, radius);
  //delay(1000);
```

Making Decisions [1]

Relational & Conditional Operators



Relational Operators

numeric operands, boolean result

| Precedence | Operator | Operands | Syntax | true if | |
|-------------|----------|----------|--------|---------------------------------|--|
| | < | numeric | х < у | x is less than y | |
| -7 → | <= | numeric | х <= у | x is less than or equal to y | |
| | > | numeric | х > у | x is greater than y | |
| | >= | numeric | x >= y | x is greater than or equal to y | |
| | | | | | |
| -8 → | == | any type | х == у | x is equal to y | |
| | != | any type | x != y | x is not equal to y | |

double ratePercent = 33.34;
boolean isLTE50 = (ratePercent <= 50.0);</pre>



Boolean Expressions

- Using relational/conditional operators, we can construct boolean expressions (much like we did with numeric expressions)
- Again, note: the RHS of the expression is resolved completely before assignment to a result variable
- Examples:

```
double ratePercent = 3.84;
boolean isUnusual = ratePercent < 2.0;
boolean isRisky = ratePercent*4 > 8.0;
```



Conditional operators:

boolean operands, boolean result

| Condition | Operator | Example |
|--|----------|--|
| If one condition AND another condition | && | int i = 2; int j = 8; ((i < 1) && (j > 6)) |
| If either one condition OR another condition | II | int i = 2; int j = 8; ((i < 1) (j >= 10)) |
| NOT | ! | int i = 2; (!(i > 3)) |

```
double ratePercent = 3.84;
boolean isUnusual = ratePercent<2.0 || ratePercent>8.0 ;
boolean isValid = ((ratePercent > 0) && (ratePercent < 100));</pre>
```





Truth table (conditional operators)

| a | b | a && b | a b | !a | !(a b) |
|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-----------|
| false | false | false | false | true | true |
| true | false | false | true | false | false |
| false | true | false | true | true | false |
| true | true | true | true | false | false |



Examples

- Method to test if a pixel is a valid colour
- Recall → each colour channel should be between 0-255

```
boolean isValidPixel(int r, int g, int b) { ... }

isValidPixel(150,58,33) \rightarrow true

isValidPixel(150,358,33) \rightarrow false

isValidPixel(-1,-100,256) \rightarrow false
```



isValidPixel()

```
// isValidPixel()
boolean isValidColour(int col) {
  boolean valid = (col>=0) && (col<=255);
 return valid;
boolean isValidPixel(int r, int q, int b) {
  return (isValidColour(r) && isValidColour(g) && isValidColour(b));
void setup() {
  println("isValidPixel():");
 println("(150,58,33) -> " + isValidPixel(150, 58, 33));
  println("(150,358,33) -> " + isValidPixel(150, 358, 33));
  println("(-1,-100,256)) \rightarrow " + isValidPixel(-1,-100,256));
 println("(255,255,255) -> " + isValidPixel(255, 255, 255));
void draw() {
```



Examples

Method to test if a position (x,y) is inside the application window

```
boolean isWithin(float posx, float posY) { ... }

// assume width=640, height=480

isWithin(-1,0) → false
isWithin(641,480) → false
isWithin(1,1) → true
isWithin(600,400) → true
```



isWithin()

```
// isWithin()
// tests to see if a point is inside the app window
boolean isWithin(float posX, float posY) {
  boolean isInsideX = (posX>=0 && posX<=width);</pre>
  boolean isInsideY = (posY>=0 && posY<=height);</pre>
  return (isInsideX && isInsideY);
// assume width=640, height=480
void setup() {
  size(640,480);
  println("isWithin(-1,0) \rightarrow " + isWithin(-1,0));
  println("isWithin(641,480) -> " + isWithin(641,480));
  println("isWithin(1,1) -> " + isWithin(1,1));
  println("isWithin(600,400) -> " + isWithin(600,400));
void draw() {
```



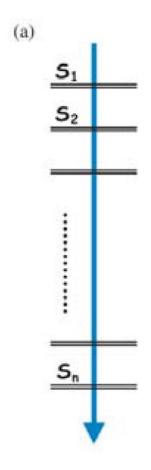
projectile motion with target

```
(targetX,
void generateTarget() {
  targetX = random(width/4,3*width/4);
                                                                        targetY)
  targetY = random(height/4, 3*height/4);
  targetR = random(100);
}
void keyPressed() {
 generateTarget();
void drawTarget() {
  stroke(0,0,0);
                                              (posX,posY)
  fill(255,0,0);
  circle(targetX, targetY, targetR);
                                                                          targetR
  fill(255,255,255);
  circle(targetX, targetY, 2*targetR/3);
  fill(255,0,0);
  circle(targetX, targetY, targetR/3);
boolean hitTarget(float posX, float posY) {
 return ( sqrt(pow(posX-targetX,2)+pow(posY-targetY,2)) <= targetR );</pre>
}
```

Making Decisions [2]

Branching





```
// ... some statements ...

// S1
{ ... }

// S2
{ ... }

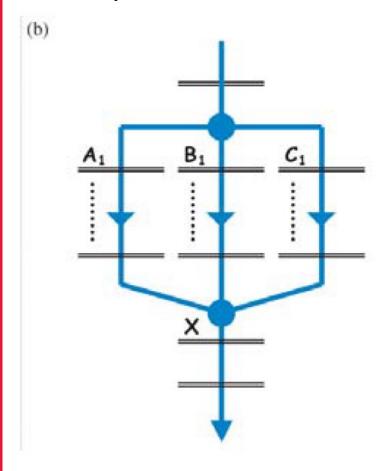
// S3
{ ... }

...

// S1

// ... more statements ...
```





```
// ... some statements ...
// perform some test

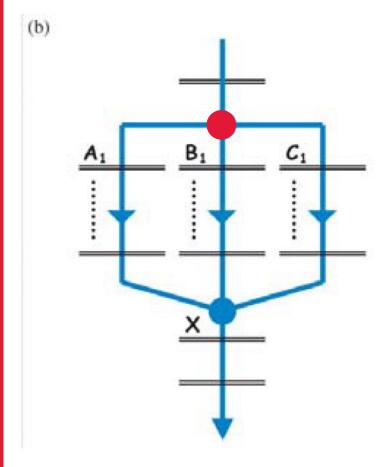
// execute if test gives outcome A1
{ ... }

// execute if test gives outcome B1
{ ... }

// execute if test gives outcome C1
{ ... }

// ... more statements ...
```





```
// ... some statements ...
// perform some test

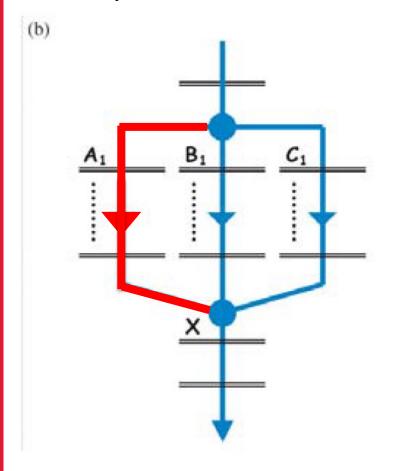
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{ ... }

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// perform some test

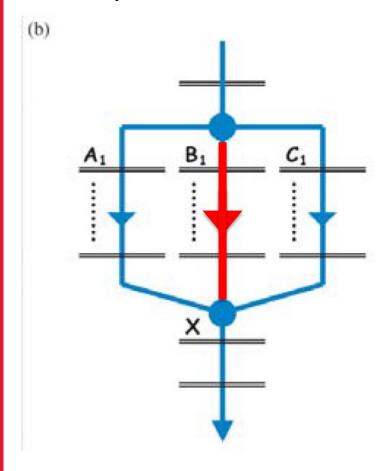
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{ ... }

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{ ... }

// ... more statements ...
```





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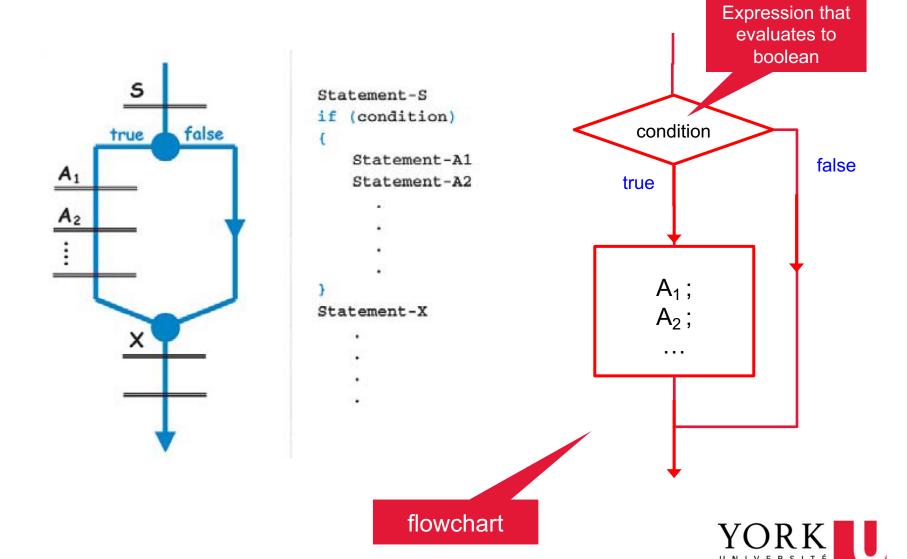
// execute if test gives outcome A1
{ ... }

// execute if test gives outcome B1
{ ... }

// execute if test gives outcome C1
{ ... }
```



The IF statement



keyPressed

Built-in boolean variable (not the method)

```
void draw() {

if (keyPressed) {

   println("Key has been pressed!");
   println("Key was: " + key);

if (key == 't') {
      generateTarget();
   }

}
```



Hit test for projectile

```
// added global variable
boolean hit = false;
// inside moveProjectile(), use x,y with hit
test
if (hitTarget(x,y)) {
 hit = true;
void draw() {
 t+=0.05;
  if (!hit) moveProjectile(x0,y0,v0,theta,t);
  drawTarget();
void keyPressed() {
 generateTarget();
hit = false;
```

