



EECS 1710

Programming for Digital Media

Lecture 22 :: PShape & PGraphics

- PShape

- Data type for storing shapes (especially non-primitive shapes)
- Can specify vertexes for complex polygons
- createShape(), beginShape(), endShape(), vertex()
- loadShape(), hold geometry loaded from a file (e.g. SVG)

- PGraphics

- Can be used as an off screen graphics buffer
 - i.e. like an additional app window (not visible)
- Can be used to render to different outputs (e.g. pdf files or svg files, alongside the main app)

- `createShape()` used to define a new shape
 - can create primitive shapes (similar to draw methods) but this method creates an object that can be stored

Syntax

```
createShape()  
createShape(type)  
createShape(kind, p)
```

Parameters

kind (int) either POINT, LINE, TRIANGLE, QUAD, RECT, ELLIPSE, ARC, BOX, SPHERE
p (float[]) parameters that match the kind of shape

Return

PShape

```
ArrayList<PShape> shapes = new ArrayList<PShape>();

void setup() {
    size(400,400);

    square = createShape(RECT,10,300,50,50);
    square.setFill(color(0, 0, 255));
    square.setStroke(false);
    shapes.add(square);

    oval = createShape(ELLIPSE,200,100,80,40);
    oval.stroke(color(0,255,0));
    shapes.add(oval);

    arc = createShape(ARC,50, 55, 50, 50, 0, HALF_PI);
    arc.setFill(color(255,0,0));
    arc.stroke(color(0,0,0));
    arc.setStroke(true);
    shapes.add(arc);

    triangle = createShape(TRIANGLE,300, 300, 332, 80, 344, 300);
    triangle.setFill(color(128,128,128));
    triangle.setStroke(false);
    shapes.add(triangle);
}

void draw() {
    background(255,255,255);
    for (int i=0; i<shapes.size(); i++) {    // special version of loop on a collection
        shape(shapes.get(i));
    }
}
```

Interpreting vertices as “kinds” of shapes

- createShape() used to define a unique shape
 - can create sets of vertices to be interpreted a certain way
 - uses beginShape()

Syntax

```
beginShape()  
beginShape(kind)
```

Parameters

kind (int) Either POINTS, LINES, TRIANGLES, TRIANGLE_FAN, TRIANGLE_STRIP, QUADS, or QUAD_STRIP

Return

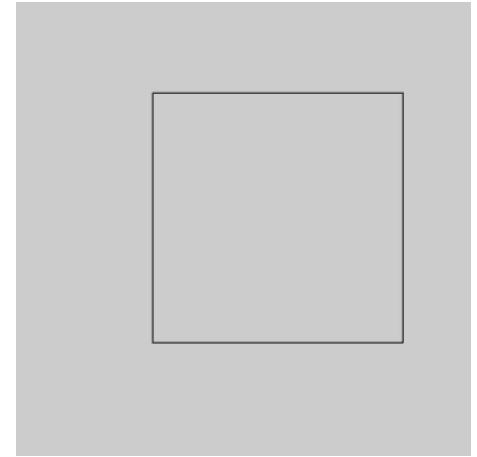
void

- uses endShape()

PShape

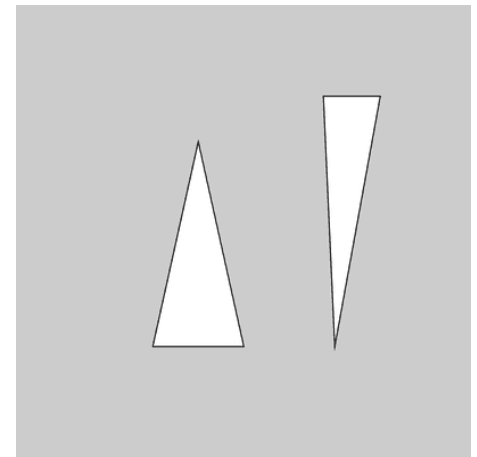
```
noFill();  
beginShape();  
  
vertex(120, 80);  
vertex(340, 80);  
vertex(340, 300);  
vertex(120, 300);  
  
endShape(CLOSE);
```

Connects with lines
(CLOSE draws a line
back to first vertex)



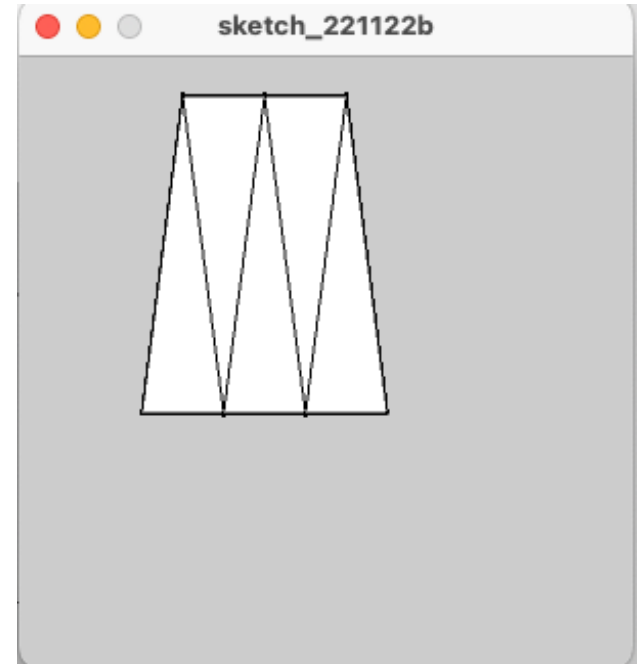
```
beginShape(TRIANGLES);  
  
vertex(120, 300);  
vertex(160, 120);  
vertex(200, 300);  
  
vertex(270, 80);  
vertex(280, 300);  
vertex(320, 80);  
  
endShape( );
```

Interprets every 3
vertices as points of a
triangle, next 3 as next
triangle, etc..



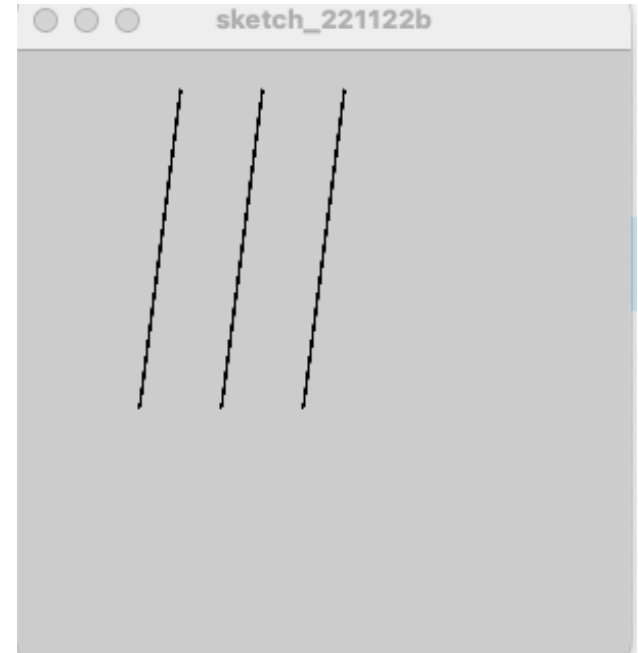
PShape

```
PShape s;  
  
void setup() {  
  
    size(100, 100, P2D);  
    s = createShape();  
    s.beginShape(TRIANGLE_STRIP);  
    s.vertex(30, 75);  
    s.vertex(40, 20);  
    s.vertex(50, 75);  
    s.vertex(60, 20);  
    s.vertex(70, 75);  
    s.vertex(80, 20);  
    s.vertex(90, 75);  
    s.endShape();  
}  
  
void draw() {  
    shape(s, 0, 0);  
}
```

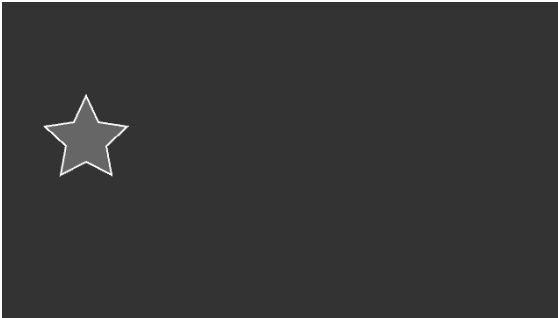


PShape

```
PShape s;  
  
void setup() {  
  
    size(100, 100, P2D);  
    s = createShape();  
    s.beginShape(LINES);  
    s.vertex(30, 75);  
    s.vertex(40, 20);  
    s.vertex(50, 75);  
    s.vertex(60, 20);  
    s.vertex(70, 75);  
    s.vertex(80, 20);  
    s.vertex(90, 75);  
    s.endShape();  
}  
  
void draw() {  
    shape(s, 0, 0);  
}
```



Custom shapes: grouping vertices



```
PShape star;

void setup() {
  size(640,360,P2D);

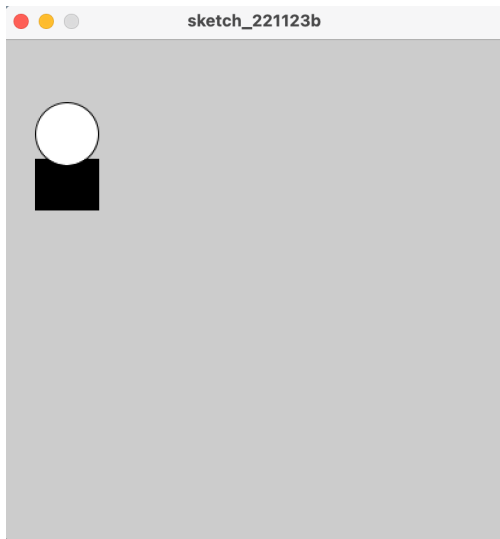
  star = createShape();
  star.beginShape();
  star.fill(102);
  star.stroke(255);
  star.strokeWeight(2);

  // series of vertices
  star.vertex(0, -50);
  star.vertex(14, -20);
  star.vertex(47, -15);
  star.vertex(23, 7);
  star.vertex(29, 40);
  star.vertex(0, 25);
  star.vertex(-29, 40);
  star.vertex(-23, 7);
  star.vertex(-47, -15);
  star.vertex(-14, -20);

  star.endShape(CLOSE);
}

void draw() {
  background(51);
  translate(mouseX, mouseY);
  shape(star);
}
```

Custom shapes: grouping shapes



```
PShape alien, head, body;
PVector pos;
float angle;

void setup() {
  size(400, 400);

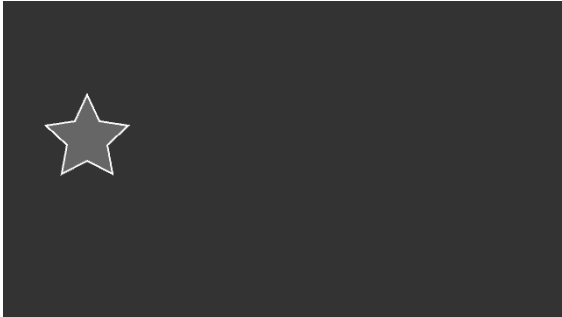
  // Create the shape group
  alien = createShape(GROUP);

  // Make two shapes
  ellipseMode(CORNER);
  head = createShape(ELLIPSE, -25, 0, 50, 50);
  head.setFill(color(255));
  body = createShape(RECT, -25, 45, 50, 40);
  body.setFill(color(0));

  // Add the two "child" shapes to the parent group
  alien.addChild(body);
  alien.addChild(head);

  shape(alien);      // draw group shape
}
```

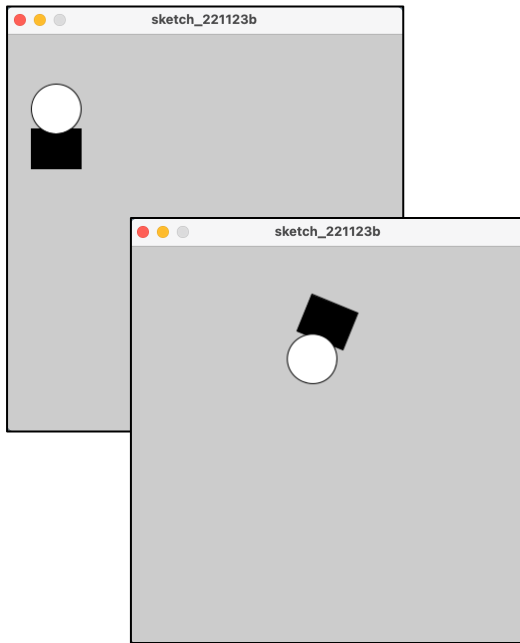
Scaling shapes



```
void mousePressed() {  
  
    println(mouseButton);  
  
    if (mouseButton==37)  
        star.scale(1.1);  
  
    if (mouseButton==39)  
        star.scale(0.9);  
  
}
```

```
PShape star;  
  
void setup() {  
    size(640,360,P2D);  
  
    // First create the shape  
    star = createShape();  
    star.beginShape();  
    // You can set fill and stroke  
    star.fill(102);  
    star.stroke(255);  
    star.strokeWeight(2);  
    // Here, we are hardcoding a series of vertices  
    star.vertex(0, -50);  
    star.vertex(14, -20);  
    star.vertex(47, -15);  
    star.vertex(23, 7);  
    star.vertex(29, 40);  
    star.vertex(0, 25);  
    star.vertex(-29, 40);  
    star.vertex(-23, 7);  
    star.vertex(-47, -15);  
    star.vertex(-14, -20);  
    star.endShape(CLOSE);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
    background(51);  
    translate(mouseX, mouseY);  
    shape(star);  
}
```

moving shapes



```
PShape alien, head, body;  
PVector pos;  
float angle;
```

```
void setup() {  
    size(400, 400);
```

```
    // Create the shape group  
    alien = createShape(GROUP);
```

```
    // Make two shapes  
    ellipseMode(CORNER);  
    head = createShape(ELLIPSE, -25, 0, 50, 50);  
    head.setFill(color(255));  
    body = createShape(RECT, -25, 45, 50, 40);  
    body.setFill(color(0));
```

```
    // Add the two "child" shapes to the parent group  
    alien.addChild(body);  
    alien.addChild(head);
```

```
    // setup for animated movement of alien  
    pos = new PVector(0,0);  
    angle = 0.0;
```

```
}
```

```
void draw() {  
    background(204);  
    pos.add(1,1);  
    angle++;
```

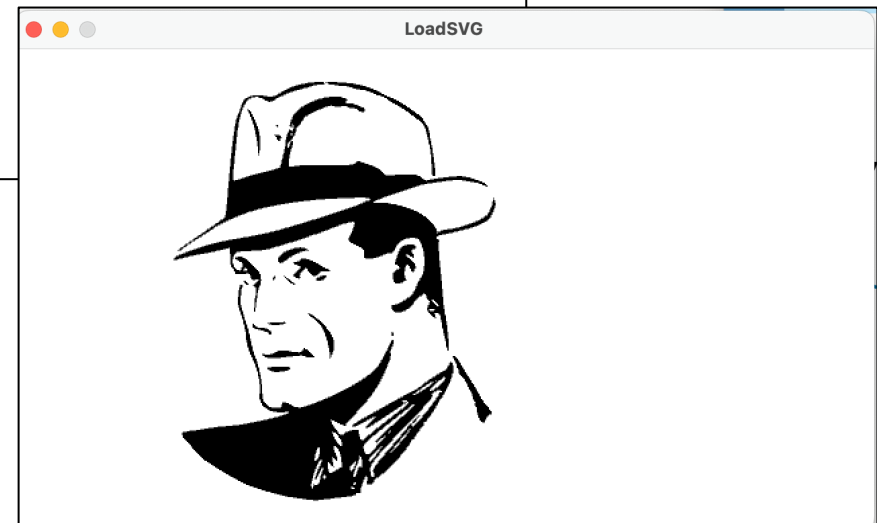
```
    translate(pos.x,pos.y);  
    rotate(radians(angle));
```

```
    shape(alien); // Draw the group  
}
```

Loading external shapes

```
PShape svg;  
  
void setup() {  
  size(640, 360, P2D);  
  svg = loadShape("retro-detective.svg");  
  println("w,h = " + svg.width + ", " + svg.height);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  background(255);  
  
  translate(mouseX, mouseY);  
  shape(svg);  
}
```

<https://freesvg.org/detective-from-the-comic-book>



Accessing/Modifying vertices of a PShape

```
// assume s = star (the PShape object from slide 8)
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < s.getVertexCount(); i++) {  
  
    PVector v = s.getVertex(i);  
    v.x += random(-1, 1);  
    v.y += random(-1, 1);  
  
    s.setVertex(i, v.x, v.y);  
  
}
```

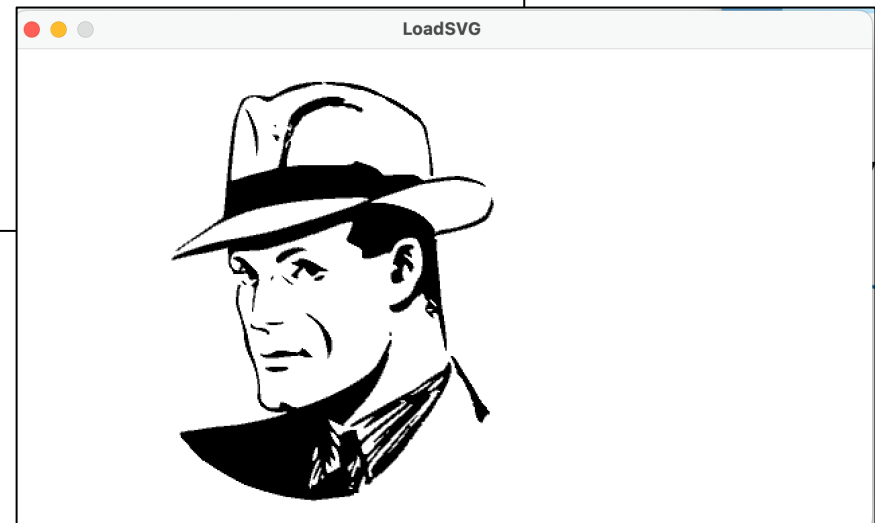


Note, not all PShapes have vertices

```
PShape svg;  
  
void setup() {  
  size(640, 360, P2D);  
  svg = loadShape("retro-detective.svg");  
  println("w,h = " + svg.width + ", " + svg.height);  
  println("svg -> vertices: " + svg.getVertexCount());  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  background(255);  
  
  translate(mouseX, mouseY);  
  shape(svg);  
}
```

Outputs zero

<https://freesvg.org/detective-from-the-comic-book>



PGraphics

- `createGraphics(x,y);`
 - like `createImage()` but creates a new PGraphics object with a particular size (keep in mind this can be diff to app size)
 - Can have different “renderers” like `size()`
 - P2D – 2D graphics
 - P3D – 3D graphics
 - PDF – write graphics to a *.pdf file
 - SVG – write graphics to a *.svg file (scalable vector graphics)
- `beginDraw()` , `endDraw()`
 - All commands can be directed towards PGraphics object
 - `beginDraw()` – all commands after this are essentially

Keep draw properties separate .. i.e. maintain different graphics “contexts”

```
PGraphics pg;

void setup() {
  size(100, 100, P2D);

  pg = createGraphics(80, 80, P2D);

  pg.beginDraw();

  pg.background(102);
  pg.stroke(255);
  pg.line(20, 20, 80, 80);

  pg.endDraw();
  noLoop();
}

void draw() {
  image(pg, 10, 10);
}
```

Two PGraphics objects?

```
PGraphics pg, pg2;

void setup() {
  size(400, 400, P2D);

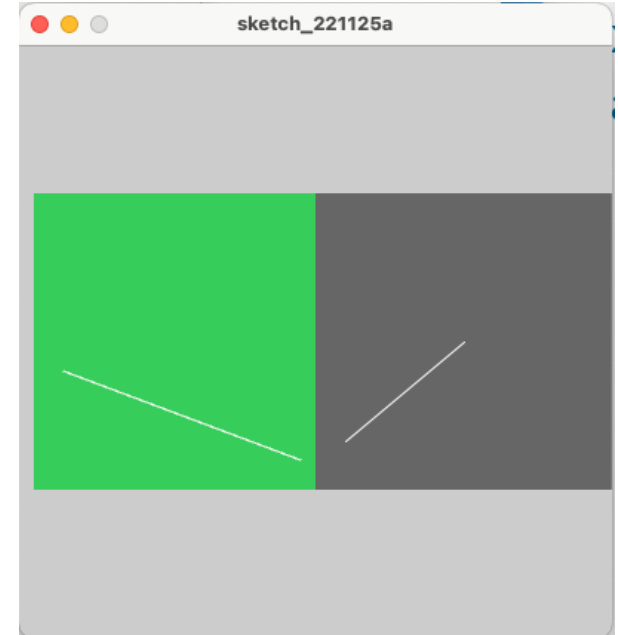
  pg = createGraphics(200, 200, P2D);
  pg.beginDraw();
  pg.background(102);
  pg.stroke(255);
  pg.line(20, 120, 180, 180);
  pg.endDraw();

  pg2 = createGraphics(200, 200);

}

void draw() {
  pg2.beginDraw();
  pg2.background(102);
  pg2.stroke(255);
  pg2.line(pg.width*0.5, pg.height*0.5, mouseX, mouseY);
  pg2.endDraw();

  image(pg, 10, 100);
  image(pg2, 200, 100);
}
```



PGraphics

- Other uses
 - Maintain multiple "screen layouts" and switch between them
 - Keep different areas of same layout separate (code responses to each separately)
 - Keep a context for rendering to PDF / SVG files (separate from what is shown on app window)
 - etc

Developers reference (full api for processing)

- <http://processing.github.io/processing-javadocs/core/>