

CART 263 **Creative Computation 2**

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What we'll be doing today

- Using JSON and APIs
- Work time!

Some Examples

- <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/feed/v1.0/> Earthquake API
- <https://open-meteo.com/> Weather API
- <https://api.nasa.gov/> NASA AP
- <https://apipheny.io/free-api/> Huge list of free APIs
For example: Cat Fact <https://catfact.ninja/fact>

Get and Post

- GET is used to get information from an API
- POST is used to POST information to an API, we'll only be talking about getting today.

JSON & APIs

- JSON is a labeled list, it can have complex subsets of data for each point.
- Many APIs will create JSON files for you based on a query (a question)
- These are sometimes requested using an HTTP Request or a query string in a URL

Example: Open-Meteo

- https://open-meteo.com/en/docs#latitude=45.51&longitude=-73.59&hourly=temperature_2m
Here we are building data set
- https://api.open-meteo.com/v1/forecast?latitude=52.52&longitude=13.41¤t_weather=true&hourly=temperature_2m,relativehumidity_2m,windspeed_10m
Here we created a URL that outputs that data as JSON
Here, we create a query string out of our parameters that outputs the data we want. [Click here to see.](#)

Load weather data into P5.js

We are storing the JSON object inside a variable called `weather`. We pass the query URL through `loadJSON`.

```
let weather;  
function preload() {  
  weather = loadJSON('https://api.open-meteo.com/v1/  
forecast?  
latitude=52.52&longitude=13.41&current_weather=true&hourly  
=temperature_2m,relativehumidity_2m,windspeed_10m');  
}
```

Weather data example

```
{
  "latitude": 52.52,
  "longitude": 13.419,
  "elevation": 44.812,
  "generationtime_ms": 2.2119,
  "utc_offset_seconds": 0,
  "timezone": "Europe/Berlin",
  "timezone_abbreviation": "CEST",
  "hourly": {
    "time": ["2022-07-01T00:00", "2022-07-01T01:00", "2022-07-01T02:00", ...],
    "temperature_2m": [13, 12.7, 12.7, 12.5, 12.5, 12.8, 13, 12.9, 13.3, ...]
  },
  "hourly_units": {
    "temperature_2m": "°C"
  },
  "current_weather": {
    "time": "2022-07-01T09:00",
    "temperature": 13.3,
    "weathercode": 3,
    "windspeed": 10.3,
    "winddirection": 262
  }
}
```

weather.latitude

weather.hourly.temperature[0]

This element contains an array

weather.current_weather.temperature

https://open-meteo.com/en/docs#latitude=45.51&longitude=-73.59&hourly=temperature_2m

Weather data example

```
print("The Weather:")
print("Located at: "+ weather.latitude+", "+weather.longitude);
print("Current temp: "+ weather.current_weather.temperature);
print("Current wind speed: "+ weather.current_weather.windspeed);
print("The hourly temperature is (in C): ")
for(let i = 0; i < 5; i++){
    print(weather.hourly.temperature_2m[i]+" C");
}
```

API Keys

Some APIs have “keys” which are codes that identify unique users. These usually are generated per account and come with limits on requests.

```
let apikey = "174bed7b788d4c8aaa3b0b9bb04be84d";  
// lets you search by defining "q", and applies your API key into the  
URL  
let url = "https://api.nytimes.com/svc/search/v2/articlesearch.json?q=" +  
q + "&api-key=" + apikey;
```

Weather data example

```
let weather;
function preload() {
  weather = loadJSON('https://api.open-meteo.com/v1/forecast?
latitude=52.52&longitude=13.41&current_weather=true&hourly=temperature_2m,relativehumidity_2m,windspeed_1
0m');
}

function setup() {
  createCanvas(500, 500);
  background(40);
  print("The Weather:")
  print("Located at: "+ weather.latitude+", "+weather.longitude);
  print("Current temp: "+ weather.current_weather.temperature);
  print("Current wind speed: "+ weather.current_weather.windspeed);
  print("The hourly temperature is (in C): ")
  for(let i = 0; i < 5; i++){
    print(weather.hourly.temperature_2m[i]+" C");
  }
}
```

Challenges (in groups)

- Using the weather API:
- Choose any city and generate a JSON query
- Write the current wind speed and direction in the middle of the screen
- Make the background colour of the canvas reflect the current cloud cover
- Draw that city as a circle on your canvas based on the latitude and longitude
- Draw 5 circles that represent the weather for the last 5 hours using size and color
- Write the remaining time until sunset, and time since sunrise, today in that city.

Project 2 – Data Visualization

20%, individual work

Overview

Create a piece of code that visualizes any data set in a meaningful way. This can be a piece of live data or information taken from an API, or it can be a data set you have downloaded. Be creative, try and get away from basic charts or maps and represent your data in an interesting, informative, and unique way. Pick a data set that is meaningful to you, and share that information with your audience

I suggest using a CSV file to get data like we looked at in class, although if you are so inclined you can choose another format or source.

Be sure to use Object Oriented concepts to make your code, it will allow you to make more complex work

Grading And Submissions

Submit your work on Github AND on Moodle. Be sure to include a README that has a link to your data set, an image of your final result, your sketches and ideas, and any libraries or other information needed to run your code.

50% Concept, creativity and execution

25% Code quality, readme file and comments

25% Complexity and exploration