

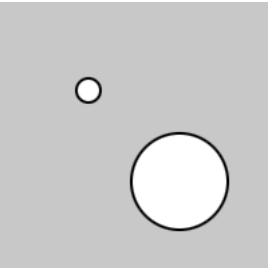
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sq()

Calculates the square of a number.

Squaring a number means multiplying the number by itself. For example, `sq(3)` evaluates 3×3 which is 9. `sq(-3)` evaluates -3×-3 which is also 9. Multiplying two negative numbers produces a positive number. The value returned by `sq()` is always positive.

Examples



```
function setup() {
  createCanvas(100, 100);

  background(200);

  // Top-left.
  let d = sq(3);
  circle(33, 33, d);

  // Bottom-right.
  d = sq(6);
  circle(67, 67, d);

  describe('Two white circles. The circle at the top-left is small. The circle at the bottom-right is four times larger.');
```



```
function setup() {
  createCanvas(100, 100);

  background(200);

  describe('A series of black dots that get higher quickly from left to right.');
```

```
function draw() {
  // Invert the y-axis.
  scale(1, -1);
  translate(0, -100);

  // Calculate the coordinates.
  let x = frameCount;
  let y = 0.01 * sq(x);

  // Draw the point.
  point(x, y);
}
```

Syntax

```
sq(n)
```

Parameters

`n` Number: number to square.

Returns

Number: squared number.

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Related References

abs Calculates the absolute value of a number.	ceil Calculates the closest integer value that is greater than or equal to a number.	constrain Constrains a number between a minimum and maximum value.	dist Calculates the distance between two points.
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