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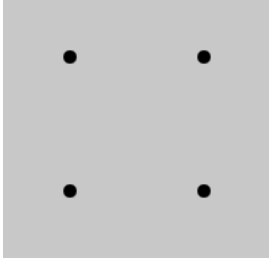
Adds to a vector's **x**, **y**, and **z** components.

`add()` can use separate numbers, as in `v.add(1, 2, 3)`, another **p5.Vector** object, as in `v.add(v2)`, or an array of numbers, as in `v.add([1, 2, 3])`.

If a value isn't provided for a component, it won't change. For example, `v.add(4, 5)` adds 4 to `v.x`, 5 to `v.y`, and 0 to `v.z`. Calling `add()` with no arguments, as in `v.add()`, has no effect.

The static version of `add()`, as in `p5.Vector.add(v2, v1)`, returns a new **p5.Vector** object and doesn't change the originals.

Examples



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

  background(200);

  // Style the points.
  strokeWeight(5);

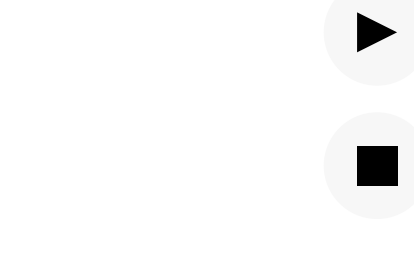
  // Top left.
  let pos = createVector(25, 25);
  point(pos);

  // Top right.
  // Add numbers.
  pos.add(50, 0);
  point(pos);

  // Bottom right.
  // Add a p5.Vector.
  let p2 = createVector(0, 50);
  pos.add(p2);
  point(pos);

  // Bottom left.
  // Add an array.
  let arr = [-50, 0];
  pos.add(arr);
  point(pos);

  describe('Four black dots arranged in a square on a gray background.');
```



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

  background(200);

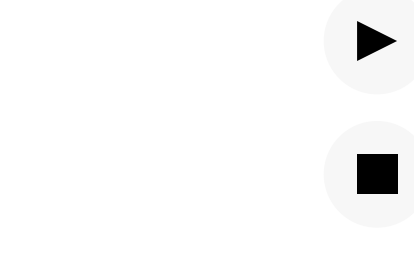
  // Top left.
  let p1 = createVector(25, 25);

  // Center.
  let p2 = createVector(50, 50);

  // Bottom right.
  // Add p1 and p2.
  let p3 = p5.Vector.add(p1, p2);

  // Draw the points.
  strokeWeight(5);
  point(p1);
  point(p2);
  point(p3);

  describe('Three black dots in a diagonal line from top left to bottom right.');
```



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

  describe('Three arrows drawn on a gray square. A red arrow extends from the top left corner to the center. A blue arrow extends from the tip of the red arrow. A purple arrow extends from the origin to the tip of the blue arrow.');
```

```
function draw() {
  background(200);

  let origin = createVector(0, 0);

  // Draw the red arrow.
  let v1 = createVector(50, 50);
  drawArrow(origin, v1, 'red');

  // Draw the blue arrow.
  let v2 = createVector(-30, 20);
  drawArrow(v1, v2, 'blue');

  // Purple arrow.
  let v3 = p5.Vector.add(v1, v2);
  drawArrow(origin, v3, 'purple');
}
```

```
// Draws an arrow between two vectors.
function drawArrow(base, vec, myColor) {
```

Syntax

- `add(x, [y], [z])`
- `add(value)`
- `add(v1, v2, [target])`

Parameters

x	Number: x component of the vector to be added.
y	Number: y component of the vector to be added.
z	Number: z component of the vector to be added.
value	p5.Vector Number[]: The vector to add
v1	p5.Vector: A p5.Vector to add
v2	p5.Vector: A p5.Vector to add
target	p5.Vector: vector to receive the result.

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Related References

add Adds to a vector's x, y, and z components.	angleBetween Calculates the angle between two vectors.	array Returns the vector's components as an array of numbers.	clampToZero Replaces the components of a p5.Vector that are very close to zero with zero.
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