

# loadPixels()

Loads the current value of each pixel on the canvas into the **pixels** array.

`loadPixels()` must be called before reading from or writing to **pixels**.

## Examples



```
let img;

// Load the image.
function preload() {
  img = loadImage('/assets/rockies.jpg');
}

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

  // Display the image.
  image(img, 0, 0, 100, 100);

  // Get the pixel density.
  let d = pixelDensity();

  // Calculate the halfway index in the pixels array.
  let halfImage = 4 * (d * width) * (d * height / 2);

  // Load the pixels array.
  loadPixels();

  // Copy the top half of the canvas to the bottom.
  for (let i = 0; i < halfImage; i += 1) {
    pixels[i + halfImage] = pixels[i];
  }

  // Update the canvas.
  updatePixels();

  describe('Two identical images of mountain landscapes, one
on top of the other.');
```

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## Related References

### blend

Copies a region of pixels from one image to another.

### copy

Copies pixels from a source image to a region of the canvas.

### filter

Applies an image filter to the canvas.

### get

Gets a pixel or a region of pixels from the canvas.

### p5.js

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