

normalize()

Scales the components of a `p5.Vector` object so that its magnitude is 1.

The static version of `normalize()`, as in `p5.Vector.normalize(v)`, returns a new `p5.Vector` object and doesn't change the original.

Examples

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

  background(200);

  // Create a p5.Vector.
  let v = createVector(10, 20, 2);

  // Normalize.
  v.normalize();

  // Prints "p5.Vector Object : [0.445..., 0.890..., 0.089...]" to the
  // console.
  print(v.toString());
}
```

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

  background(200);

  // Create a p5.Vector.
  let v0 = createVector(10, 20, 2);

  // Create a normalized copy.
  let v1 = p5.Vector.normalize(v0);

  // Prints "p5.Vector Object : [10, 20, 2]" to the console.
  print(v0.toString());
  // Prints "p5.Vector Object : [0.445..., 0.890..., 0.089...]" to the
  // console.
  print(v1.toString());
}
```

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

```
  describe("A red and blue arrow extend from the center of a
  circle. Both arrows follow the mouse, but the blue arrow's
  length is fixed to the circle's radius.");
}
```

```
function draw() {
  background(240);
```

```
  // Vector to the center.
  let v0 = createVector(50, 50);
```

```
  // Vector from the center to the mouse.
  let v1 = createVector(mouseX - 50, mouseY - 50);
```

```
  // Circle's radius.
  let r = 25;
```

```
  // Draw the red arrow.
  drawArrow(v0, v1, 'red');
```

```
  // Draw the blue arrow.
  v1.normalize();
  drawArrow(v0, v1.mult(r), 'blue');
```

```
  // Draw the circle.
  noFill();
  circle(50, 50, r * 2);
}
```

Syntax

```
normalize()
```

```
normalize(v, [target])
```

Parameters

v	<code>p5.Vector</code> : The vector to normalize
target	<code>p5.Vector</code> : The vector to receive the result

Returns

`p5.Vector`: normalized `p5.Vector`.

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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.

