

Catching Pokemon with Phaser

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Useful links

- http://d4k.wwilk.com
- http://d4k.wwilk.com/assets
- https://github.com/wwilk/d4k
- https://repl.it/languages/javascript





Why JavaScript + HTML?

- simple
- · about 95% of websites use JavaScript
- about 75% of websites use HTML
- easier to start than compiled languages (like C++/Java)





Variables

 containers holding some information/ value

make code more clear and readable

can be constant





Variables

```
var caughtPokemons = 0;
console.log(caughtPokemons);
caughtPokemons++;
console.log(caughtPokemons);
```





Exercise

 Create variable "a" and assign value 5 to it, then create variable "b" and assign 6 to it, and then create variable "c" and assign sum of a and b to it





· blocks of code

reusability

avoid duplications in code



```
5 * (10 * 1.8 + 32)

function celsiusToFahrenheit(celsius){
  return celsius * 1.8 + 32;
}

5 * celsiusToFahrenheit(10);
```



```
function createPokemon(name) {
   // a lot of operations that create a Pokemon
   //and set its name, initial position, velocity etc
};

createPokemon("pikachu");
createPokemon("charmander");
```



Create a function of signature:

```
function mileToKilometer(miles) {
```

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}

that will convert given miles into kilometers (multiply by 1.609344)



DEVOX Conditional Statements

```
var num = 5;
if (num % 2 == 0) {
  console.log('even');
 else{
  console.log('odd');
```



Exercise

Create a function of signature:

```
function isPositiveNumber(num) { ...
```

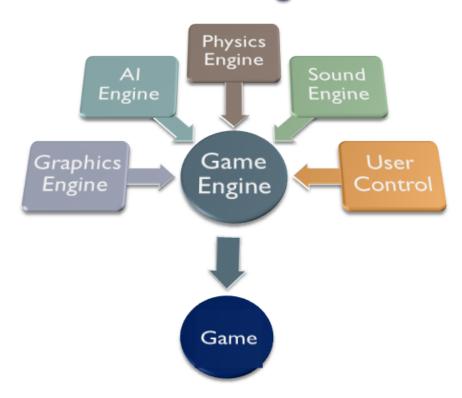
}

that will print "yes" if number is positive and "no" if negative or zero >= <=



Game Engine

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Why Game engine/Phaser?

· no point in reinventing the wheel

quick and visible effect



DEVOX Phaser game structure

```
// Initialize Phaser, and create a 800x480px game
var game = new Phaser.Game(800, 480, Phaser.AUTO, 'gameContainer');
// Create our 'main' state that will contain the game
var mainState = {
    preload: function() {
      // called once after beginning - the best place to load images
    create: function() {
     // called once after beginning, later than preload
     // here we initialize all objects that are needed at the start of the game
    },
    update: function() {
      // called 30 times per second
};
// Add and start the 'main' state to start the game
game.state.add('main', mainState);
game.state.start('main');
```



Possible changes

- background image
- Pokemon image
- initial position of Pokemon
- velocity of Pokemon
- text / text color
- not destroying Pokemon after click
- frequency of Pokemon appearance



Advanced changes

- Pokemon flying horizontally
- some Pokemon flying horizontally and some vertically
- · multiple kinds of Pokemon spawneddic