Generative Design Workshop

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Load and display images

The same way <u>float</u> is a type that can contain numbers, <u>PImage</u> is a type that can contain bitmap images, and <u>PShape</u> can contain vector images.

```
Loading JPG, PNG, GIF, TIF, TGA

// Declare a PImage variable
PImage catPhoto;

// Load an image into the variable
catPhoto = loadImage("cat.png");

// Display the image
image(catPhoto, 100, 100);

Loading SVG

// Declare a PShape variable
PShape logo;

// Load a vector image into the variable
logo = loadShape("logo.svg");

// Display the vector image
shape(logo, 200, 200);
```

Load and display images

To add an image to your Processing sketch you have two options:

1) drag and drop the image on top of your sketch window

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2) use the "sketch/Add file..." menu option

A "data" folder will be created inside your sketch folder, and the file will be placed inside.

Right: loadShape("myfile.svg");

Wrong: loadShape("data/myfile.svg");

Exercise: write a program that loads an image once, then uses a for loop to display it 5 times on each animation frame.

Read image pixel color using .get()

```
// Use colors coming from an image to set the stroke color
PImage img;
size(600, 200);
// load a random image from a website
img = loadImage("http://lorempixel.com/600/600/#.png");
// cover the screen with vertical lines
for (int x=0; x<width; x=x+1) {
    // read the color of a pixel from the image
    color c = img.get(x, 300);
    stroke(c);
    line(x, 0, x, height);
}</pre>
```

Read image pixel color using .get()

```
// Use colors coming from an image to control the sizes of circles
PImage img;
size(1200, 200);
background(#4c4c4c);
img = loadImage("http://lorempixel.com/1200/200/#.png");
for (int x=50; x<width-50; x=x+1) {
   color c = img.get(x, 100);
   float sz = brightness(c) / 4;
   ellipse(x, 100, sz, sz);
}
save("result.png");</pre>
```





Rotate, translate, scale

Functions that modify the origin and the axes:

rotate(angle)

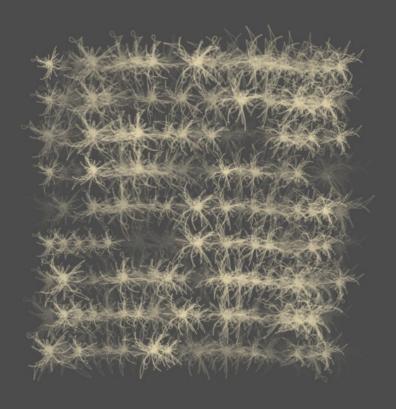
Used to rotate objects. Rotation always takes place around the origin.

translate(x, y)

Moves the origin to a new position.

scale(k)

Used to enlarge or shrink objects drawn after calling this function. The scaling center is the origin.



Rotate, translate, scale

A sketch to visualize the effect of translate, rotate and scale: http://www.openprocessing.org/sketch/196409

The order of the operations produces different results:



```
translate(50, 0);
rotate(1);
rect(0, 0, 30, 10);
```



```
rotate(1);
translate(50, 0);
rect(0, 0, 30, 10);
```

A common pattern is to first call translate to position the axes, then call rotate or scale (or both).

Rotate an existing rectangle

```
void setup() {
  size(600, 400);
  rectMode(CENTER);
void draw() {
  background(222);
  // axis aligned rectangle
  rect(400, 100, 60, 20);
  // rotated rectangle
  translate(400, 100);
  rotate(1);
  rect(0, 0, 60, 20);
```



Notice how the second rectangle is drawn at (0, 0).

Since rotations always happen around the origin, if we want to rotate a rectangle around its center we need to draw it at (0, 0).

We use translate to place the rectangle on the desired location.

Rotating rectangle animation

```
void draw() {
  background(255);

translate(30, 50);
  rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
}
```

We always draw the rectangle on the same place, with the same size.

Try drawing a second rectangle next to the first one and observe the result.

Tip: rectMode(CENTER); makes rect() behave like ellipse(): the two first arguments specify the center of the rectangle instead of the top left corner.

Rotating rectangle animation

What if we want to draw two rotating rectangles?

```
void setup() {
  rectMode(CENTER);
void draw() {
  background(255);
  translate(30, 50);
 rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
  translate(70, 50);
  rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
```

Rotating rectangles animation

What if we want to draw two rotating rectangles?

The effect of translate, rotate and scale are cumulative:

```
translate(20, 5);
translate(20, 5);
```

has the same effect as:

```
translate(40, 10);
```

The cumulative effect only takes place until draw() is called again. Then the axes reset automatically.

```
void setup() {
  rectMode(CENTER);
void draw() {
  background(255);
  translate(30, 50);
  rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
  translate(70, 50);
  rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
```

Rotating rectangles animation

What if we want to draw two rotating rectangles?

We can use pushMatrix() and popMatrix() to avoid the cumulative effect of the transformations.

pushMatrix() and popMatrix() must always be used in pairs.

pushMatrix() saves the state of the coordinate system().

popMatrix() restores the state previously saved.

```
void setup() {
  rectMode(CENTER);
void draw() {
  background(255);
  pushMatrix();
  translate(30, 50);
  rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
  popMatrix();
  pushMatrix();
  translate(70, 50);
  rotate(frameCount * 0.05);
  rect(0, 0, 30, 30);
  popMatrix();
```

Using typography

1. This line of code will tell you the names of the fonts found on your system:

```
printArray(PFont.list());
```

2. Use the output of the previous command to choose one of the font names. Add the font to your program like this (32 is the desired default text size):

```
PFont myFont1 = createFont("Arial", 32);
```

3. Set the font you just created as the active font. Following calls to text() will use that font.

```
textFont(myFont1);
```

4. Write something on the screen:

```
text("watermelon", 20, 100);
```

Set the text color calling fill(). The text size can be set like this: textSize(48).

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