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Welcome to 18.S191 – Fall 2020!

Introduction to Computational Thinking for Real-World Problems

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Class outline

Data and computation

- Module 1: Analyzing images
- Module 2: Particles and ray tracing
- Module 3: Epidemic spread
- Module 4: Climate change

Tools

- Julia programming language: <http://www.julialang.org/learning>

- Pluto notebook environment

Module I: Images

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Data takes many forms

- Time series:
 - Number of infections per day
 - Stock price each minute
 - A piece for violin broadcast over the radio
- Video:
 - The view from a window of a self-driving car
 - A hurricane monitoring station
- Images:
 - Diseased versus healthy tissue in a scan
 - Deep space via the Hubble telescope
 - Can your social media account recognise your friends?

Capture your own image!



Enable webcam

- @bind raw_camera_data camera_input(;max_size=2000)

UndefVarError: grant not defined

1. top-level scope ⚡ | Local: 1

- [
- grant grant[:,end:-1:1]
- grant[end:-1:1,:] grant[end:-1:1,end:-1:1]
-]

grant =

MethodError: no method matching getindex(::Missing, ::String)

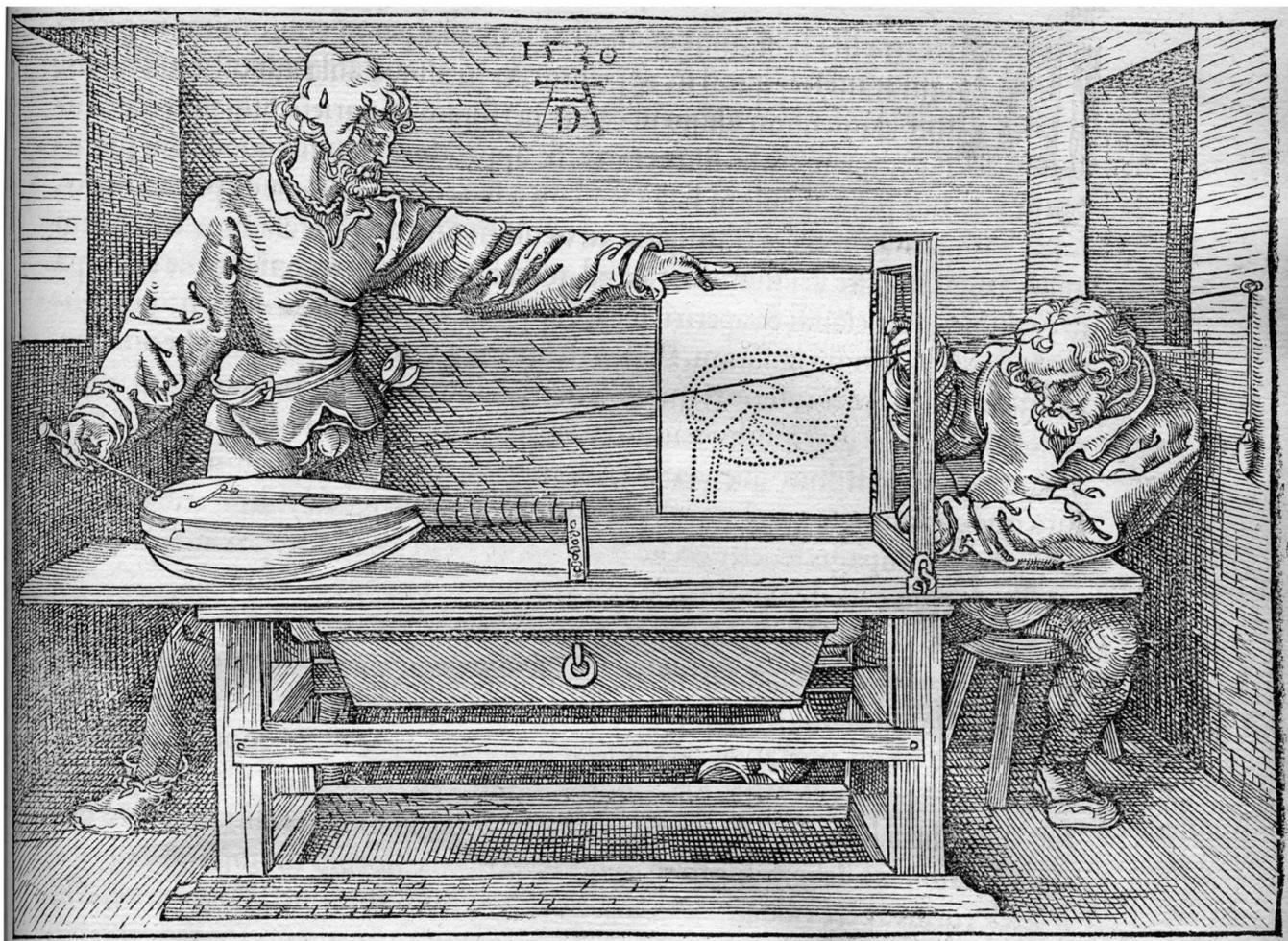
1. process_raw_camera_data(::Missing) ⚡ | Other: 13

2. top-level scope ⚡ | Local: 1

- grant = decimate(process_raw_camera_data(raw_camera_data), 2)

What is an image?

Albrecht Dürer:



An image is:

- A 2D representation of a 3D world
- An approximation

What is an image, though?

- A grid of coloured squares called **pixels**
- A colour for each pair (i, j) of indices
- A **discretization**

How can we store an image in the computer?

- Is it a 1D array (Vector)?
- A 2D array (Matrix)?

- A 3D array (tensor)?

If in doubt: Ask Julia!

- Let's use the `Images.jl` package to load an image and see what we get

```
• begin
•     import Pkg
•     Pkg.activate(mktempdir())
• end
```

```
• begin
•     Pkg.add(["Images", "ImageIO", "ImageMagick"])
•     using Images
• end
```

```
url = "https://i.imgur.com/VGPeJ6s.jpg"
```

```
• # defines a variable called 'url'
• # whose value is a string (written inside '''):
•
• url = "https://i.imgur.com/VGPeJ6s.jpg"
```

```
philip_file = "philip.jpg"
```

```
• philip_file = download(url, "philip.jpg") # download to a local file
```

```
philip =
```



- `philip = load(phi`



• philip



- [
- **philip** **philip[:,end:-1:1]**
- **philip[end:-1:1,:]** **philip[end:-1:1,end:-1:1]**
-]

```
Array{RGB{Normed{UInt8}},2}
```

- **typeof(philip)**



- `RGBX(0.1, 0.2, 0.5)`

```
Array{RGB{Normed{UInt8}},2}
```

- `typeof(phiip)`

- According to Julia / Pluto, the variable `phiip` *is* an image
- Julia always returns output
- The output can be displayed in a "rich" way

- Arthur C. Clarke:

Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic.

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- `size(phiip)`



• philip





- `philip[1:1000, 1:400]`

How big is Philip?

- He's pretty big:

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- `size(phiip)`

- Which number is which?



• philip

So, what *is* an image?

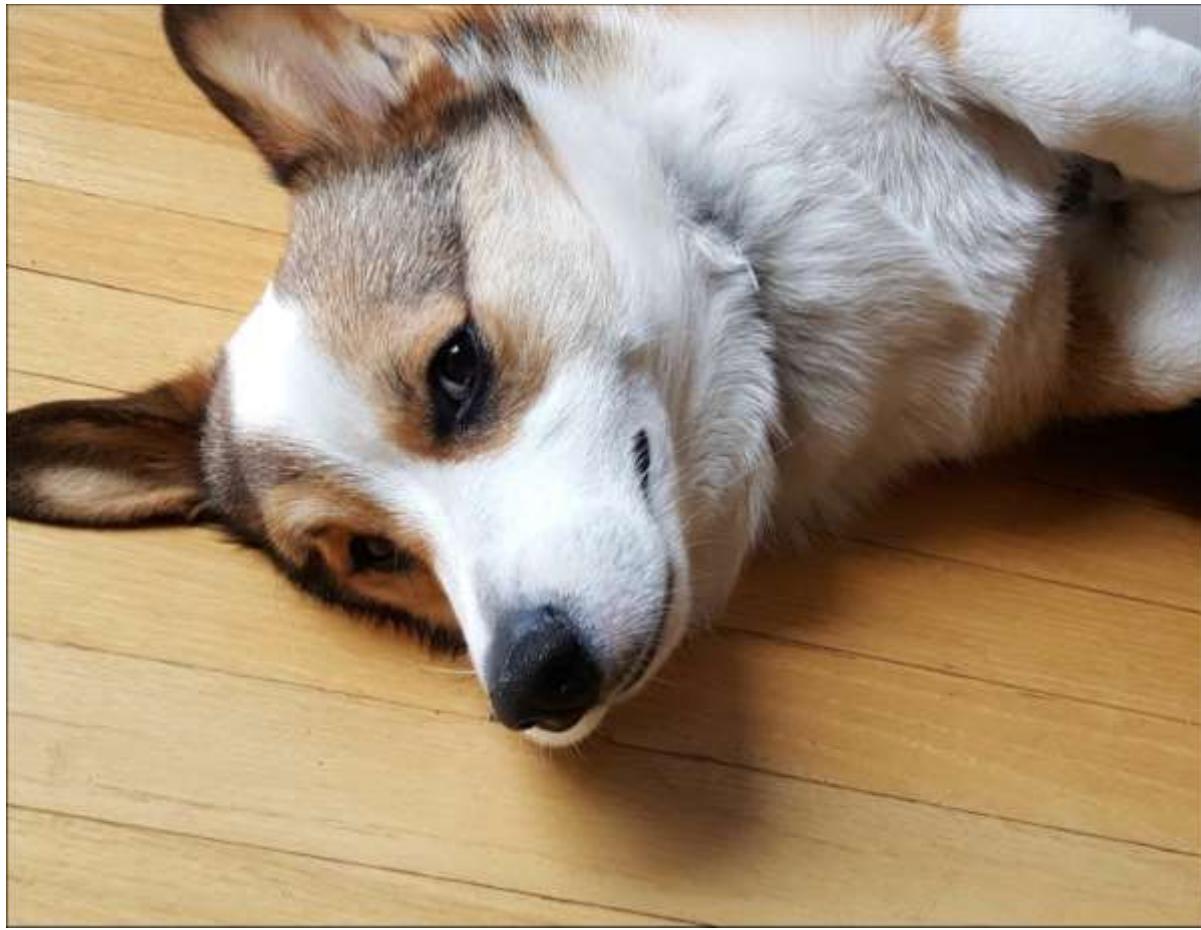
```
Array{RGB{Normed{UInt8,8}},2}
```

- `typeof(phiip)`

- It's an Array
- The 2 means that it has **2 dimensions** (a matrix)

- `RGBX{Normed{UInt8,8}}` is the type of object stored in the array
- A Julia object representing a colour
- RGB = Red, Green, Blue

Getting pieces of an image



- `begin`
- `(h, w) = size(phiip)`
- `head = phiip[(h ÷ 2):h, (w ÷ 10): (9w ÷ 10)]`
- `# '÷' is typed as |div <TAB> -- integer division`
- `end`

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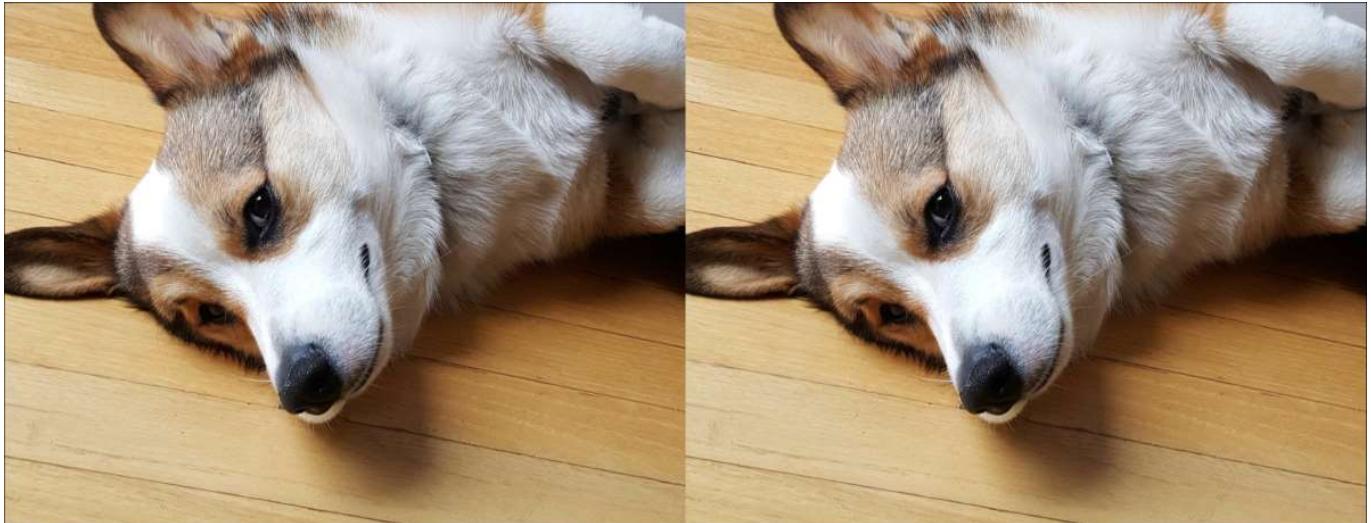
- `size(head)`

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- `size(phiip)`

Manipulating matrices

- An image is just a matrix, so we can manipulate *matrices* to manipulate the *image*



- `[head head]`



- [
- head
- reverse(head, dims=2)
- reverse(head, dims=1) reverse(reverse(head, dims=1), dims=2)
-]

Manipulating an image

- How can we get inside the image and change it?
- There are two possibilities:
 - **Modify (mutate)** numbers inside the array – useful to change a small piece
 - Create a new **copy** of the array – useful to alter everything together

Painting a piece of an image

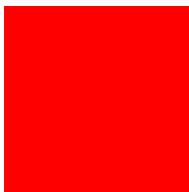
- Let's paint a corner red
- We'll copy the image first so we don't destroy the original

```
new_phil =
```



- `new_phil = copy(head)`

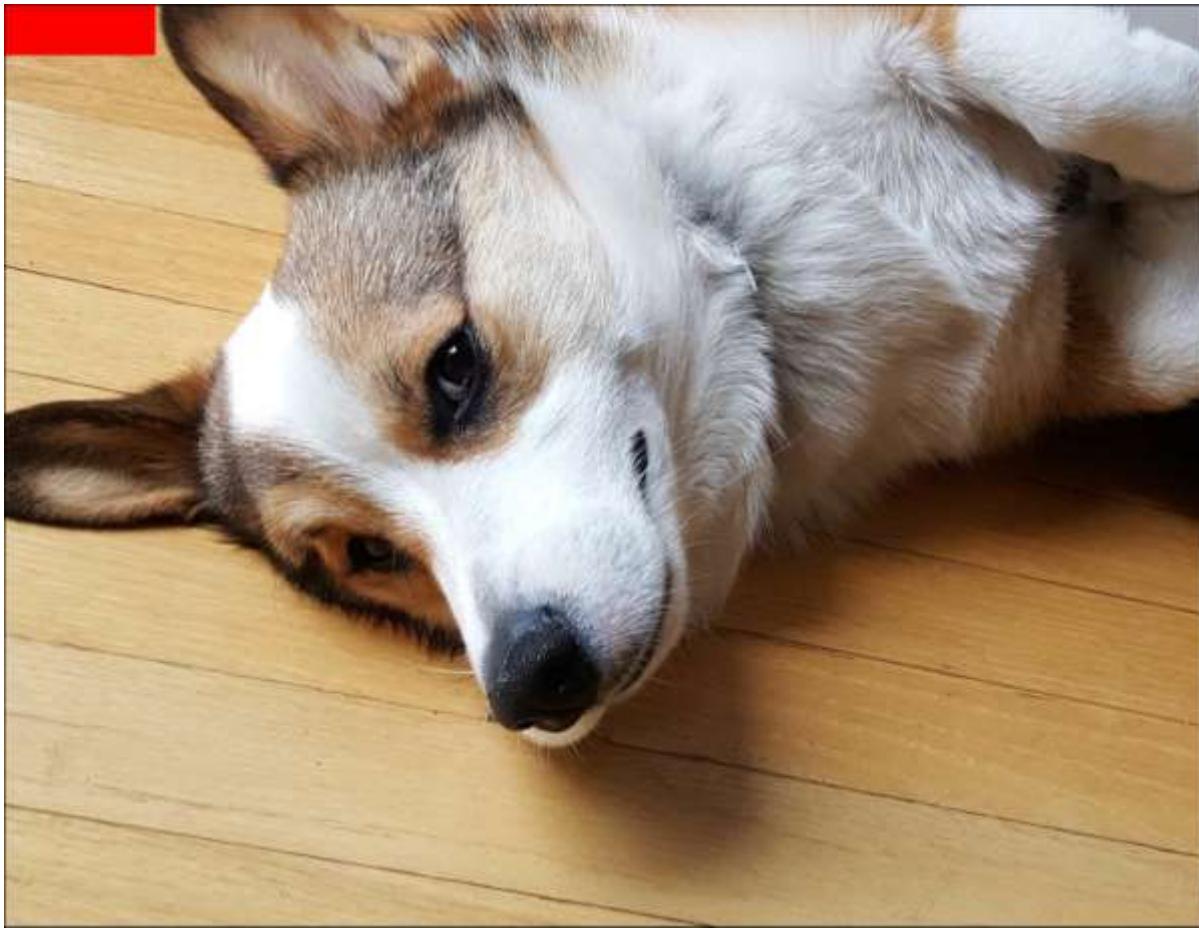
```
red =
```



- `red = RGB(1, 0, 0)`

- `for i in 1:100`
- `for j in 1:300`
- `new_phil[i, j] = red`
- `end`
- `end`

Note that `for` loops *do not return anything* (or, rather, they return nothing)



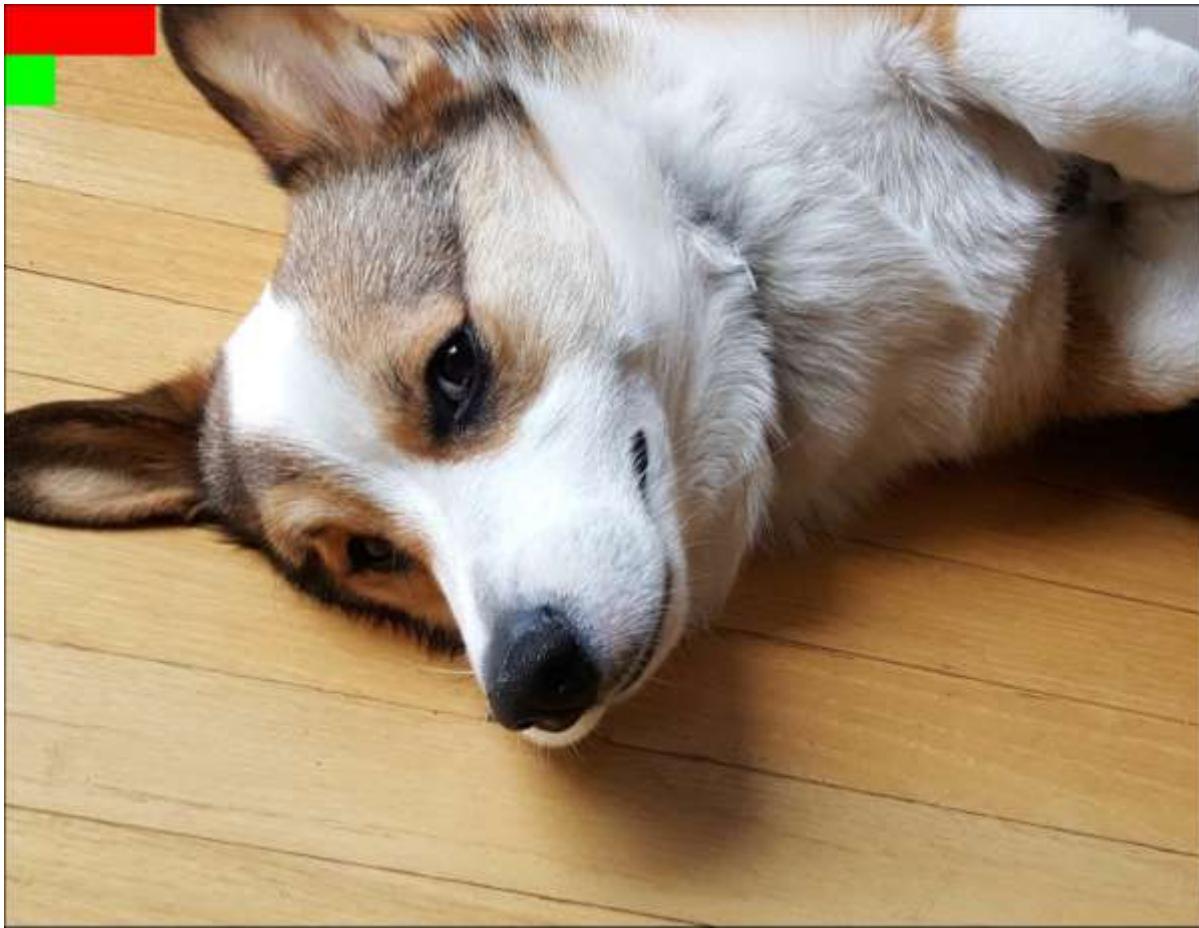
- new_phil

Element-wise operations: "Broadcasting"

- Julia provides powerful technology for operating element by element: **broadcasting**
- Adding ". ." applies an operation element by element



```
• begin
•     new_phil2 = copy(new_phil)
•     new_phil2[100:200, 1:100] .= RGB(0, 1, 0)
•     new_phil2
• end
```



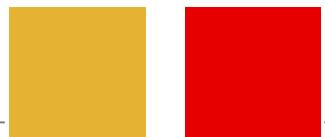
- new_phil2

Modifying the whole image at once

- We can use the same trick to modify the whole image at once
- Let's **redify** the image
- We define a **function** that turns a colour into just its red component

```
redify (generic function with 1 method)
```

- **function** **redify(c)**
- **return** **RGB(c.r, 0, 0)**
- **end**

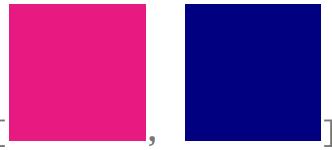


```
RGB{Float64}[, ]
```

- **begin**
- **color = RGB(0.9, 0.7, 0.2)**
- **[color, redify(color)]**
- **end**

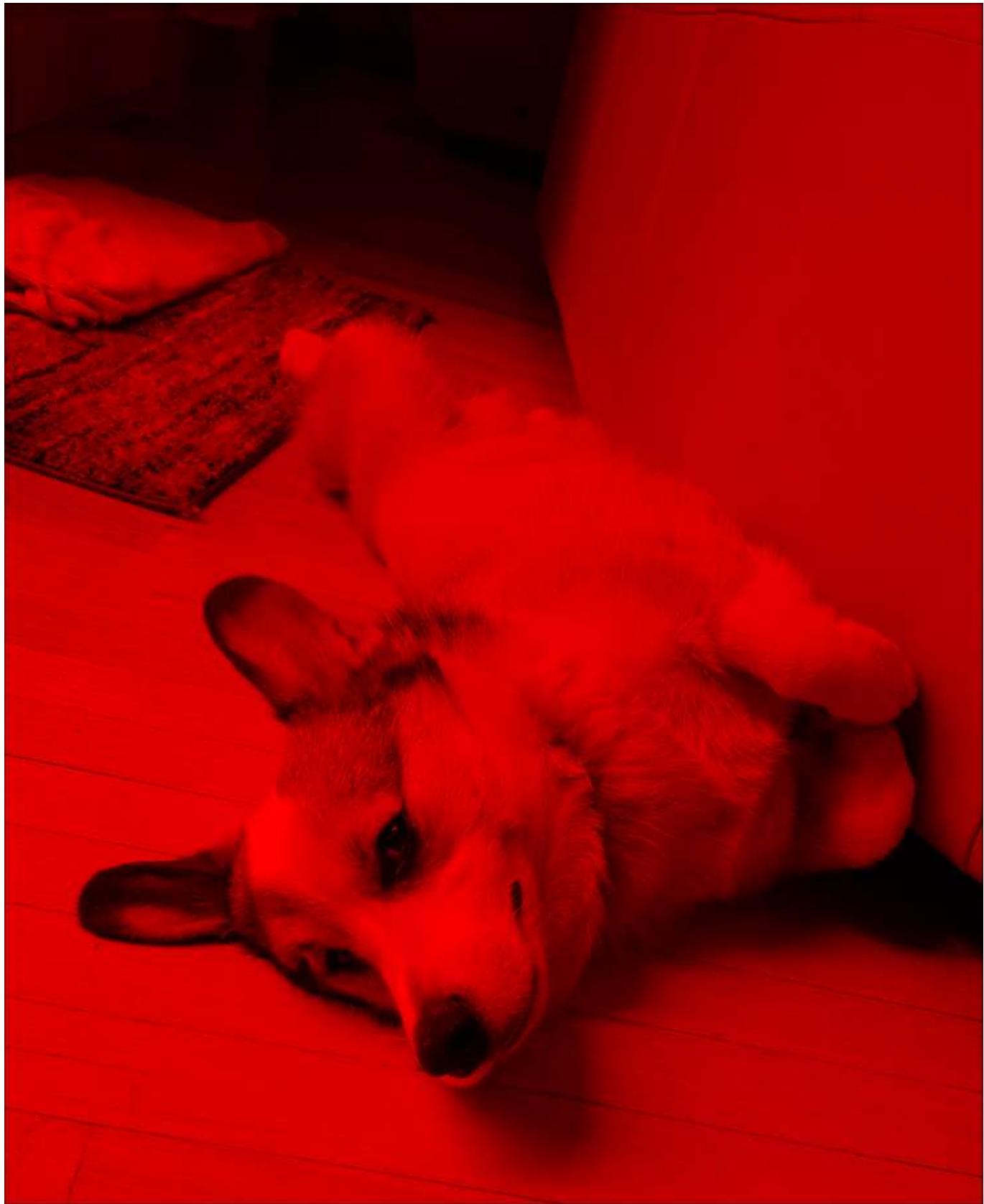
blue_bomb (generic function with 1 method)

- `function blue_bomb(image)`
- `return RGB(0, 0, image.b)`
- `end`
-

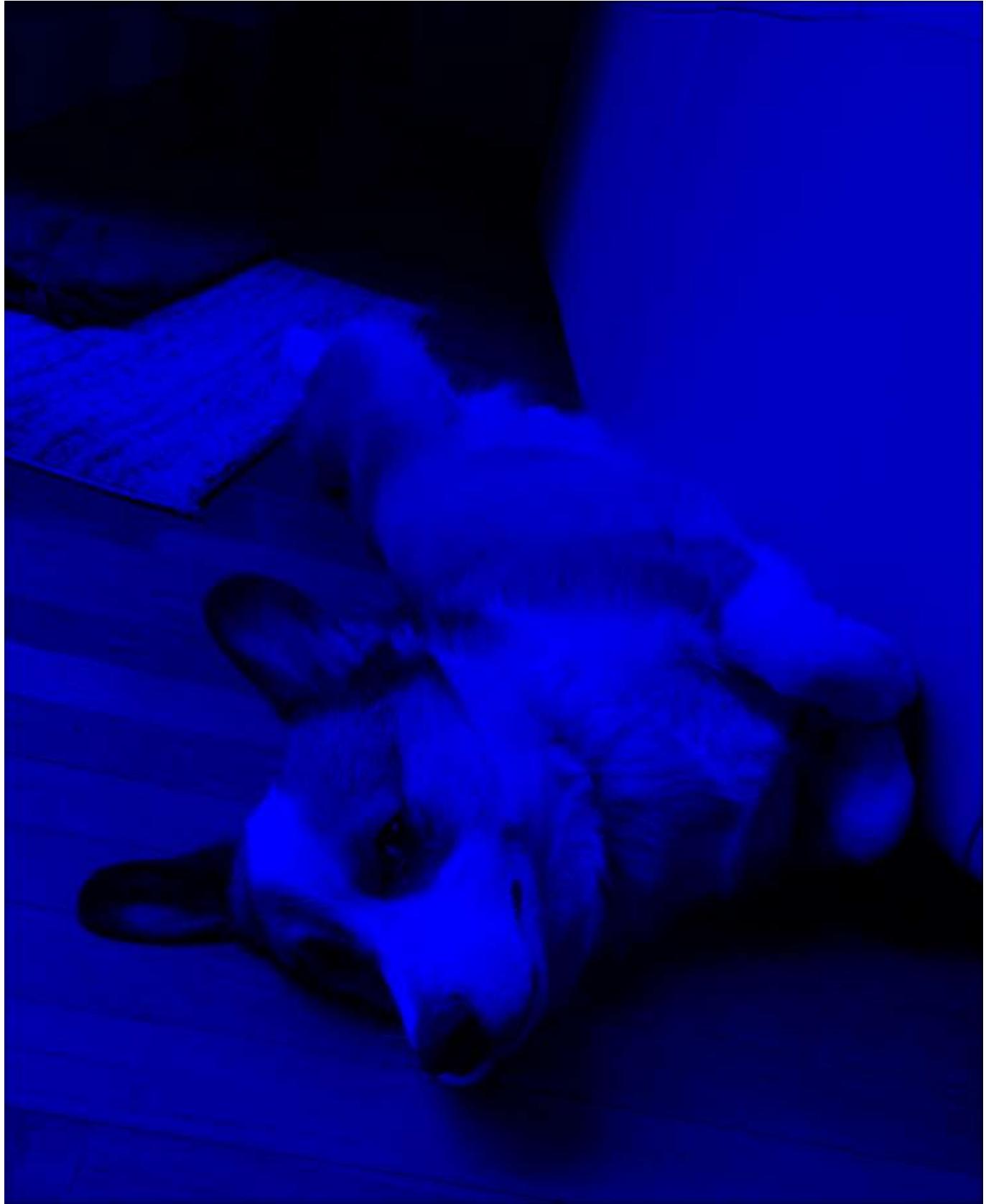


`RGB{Float64}[,]`

- `begin`
- `temp_pixel = RGB(0.9, 0.1, 0.5)`
- `[temp_pixel, blue_bomb(temp_pixel)]`
- `end`



- `redify.(philip)`



- `blue_bomb.(philip)`

Transforming an image

- The main goal of this week will be to transform images in more interesting ways
- First let's **decimate** poor Phil

```
poor_phil =
```



- `poor_phil = decimate(head, 5)`

```
poor_phil_10 =
```



- `poor_phil_10 = decimate(head, 10)`

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- `size(poor_phil_10)`

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- `size(head)`

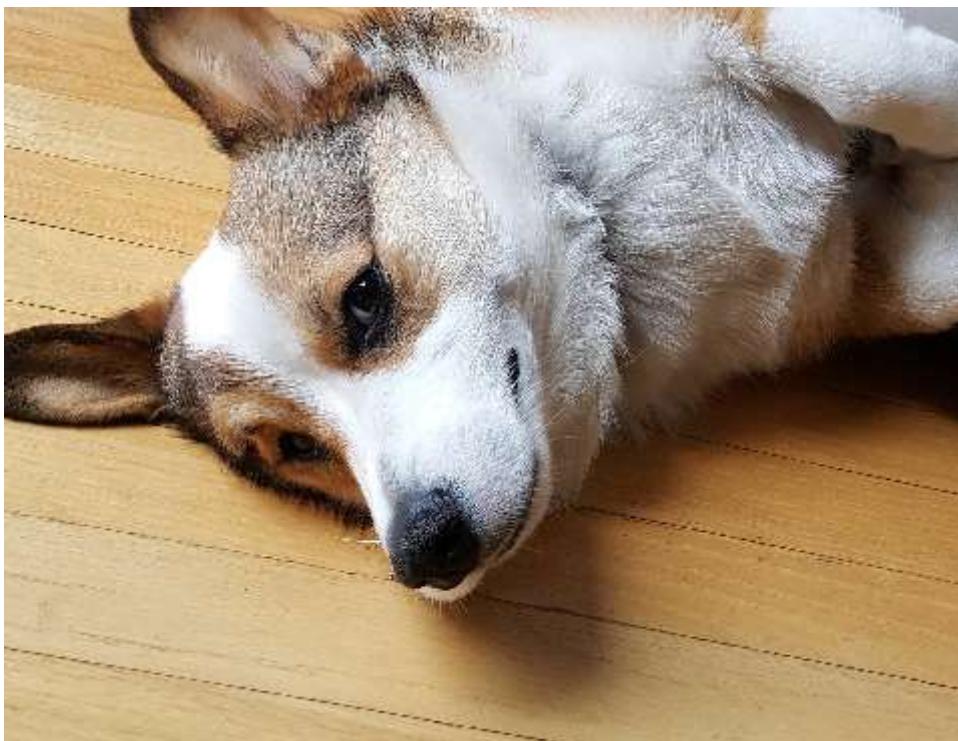
Experiments come alive with interaction

- We start to get a feel for things when we can **experiment!**

```
• begin  
•   Pkg.add("PlutoUI")  
•   using PlutoUI  
• end
```

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- @bind repeat_count Slider(1:10, show_value=true)



- repeat(poor_phil, repeat_count, repeat_count)

Summary

- Images are readily-accessible data about the world
- We want to process them to extract information
- Relatively simple mathematical operations can transform images in useful ways

```
expand (generic function with 2 methods)
```

```
extract_red (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
decimate (generic function with 2 methods)
```

Appendix

Package environment

Camera input

```
camera_input (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
process_raw_camera_data (generic function with 1 method)
```