

CSCI 4620U / SOFE 4850U Lab 4



Purpose

Processing is a graphical programming environment designed to support rapid prototyping of novel interface ideas. The purpose of this lab is to practice your Processing skills by implementing a custom-designed interactive display.

Tasks

- 1. Access the Google Spreadsheet at http://is.gd/dataset and add to it five numbers of your choice in the interval [1, 100] along with your name.
- 2. Unzip lab4sketch.zip (available on Blackboard) in your Processing sketchbook folder.
- 3. Run the sketch. It should display a rudimentary bar chart with the frequency distribution of the numbers inputted by the class in the spreadsheet.
- 4. Implement the following interactive features on top of this sketch:
 - a. Details on demand:
 - i. Display a tooltip with the value of a bar when the mouse is over it.
 - b. Selection:
 - i. When clicking on a bar, select it. You can change its color or add a border. A click on a selected bar should unselect it (return to its original visual state).
 - ii. Display in a tooltip the names of people who chose the selected number (see groupNamesByNumber()).

Tips

Use the official Processing documentation: http://processing.org/reference/. The tutorials might also be useful: http://processing.org/learning/

Processing provides the position of the mouse pointer in two global variables: mouseX and mouseY. You can also implement the method mouseClicked(), which will automatically be called when the mouse is clicked.

Submission

Submit a .zip file containing your Processing sketch to the Lab 4 assignment dropbox.

This activity is individual. Due at 11:59pm the end of the day