



# COMMENTS

```
/*
```

```
* Creative Coding
```

```
* Week 1, 01 (2 June 2014) - Draw your name!
```

```
* by Indae Hwang and Jon McCormack
```

```
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```

```
* This program allows you to draw using the mouse.
```

```
* Press 's' to save your drawing as an image to the file "yourName.jpg"
```

```
* Press 'r' to erase your drawing and start with a blank screen
```

```
*
```

```
*/
```



# COMMENTS

```
/* comments like this can  
   span multiple lines... */
```

```
/** this is ok as well **/
```

```
/* oops! forgot the * ERROR! MISSING /
```

```
// this comment runs until the end of the line
```

```
// good for short comments
```

```
int a; // or after some code
```



# SETUP & DRAW FUNCTIONS

```
void setup() {
```

```
// set the display window to size 500 x 500 pixels  
size(500, 500);
```

```
// set the background colour to white  
background(255);
```

```
// set the rectangle mode to draw from the centre with a specified radius  
rectMode(RADIUS);
```

```
}
```




# SETUP & DRAW FUNCTIONS

```
void draw() {  
  
    /* draw a rectangle at your mouse point while you are pressing  
       the left mouse button */  
  
    if (mousePressed) {  
        // draw a rectangle with a small random variation in size  
        stroke(170); // set the stroke colour to a light grey  
        fill(0, 150); // set the fill colour to black with transparency  
        rect(mouseX, mouseY, random(6), random(6));  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

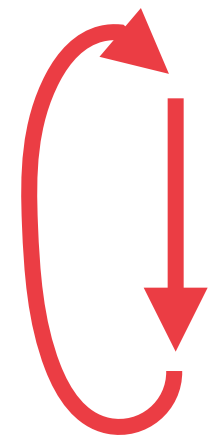


# SETUP & DRAW FUNCTIONS



```
void setup() {  
  ...  
}
```

called once to setup the program



```
void draw() {  
  ...  
}
```

called repeatedly in a loop

to exit a sketch press the 'esc' key



# FUNCTIONS

functions perform a task

Processing has many useful built-in functions, e.g.

```
size(x, y)
```

```
background(grey)
```

```
random(n)
```

but you can also create your own...



# FUNCTIONS

## calling a function

```
size(500, 500);
```

function name

arguments

---

## defining a function

```
int add10(int a) {  
    return a + 10;  
}
```

return type

function name

parameter

value for the function to return



# FUNCTIONS

```
size(x,y);
```

```
background(grey);
```

```
rectMode(mode);
```

```
stroke(grey);
```

```
fill(grey);
```

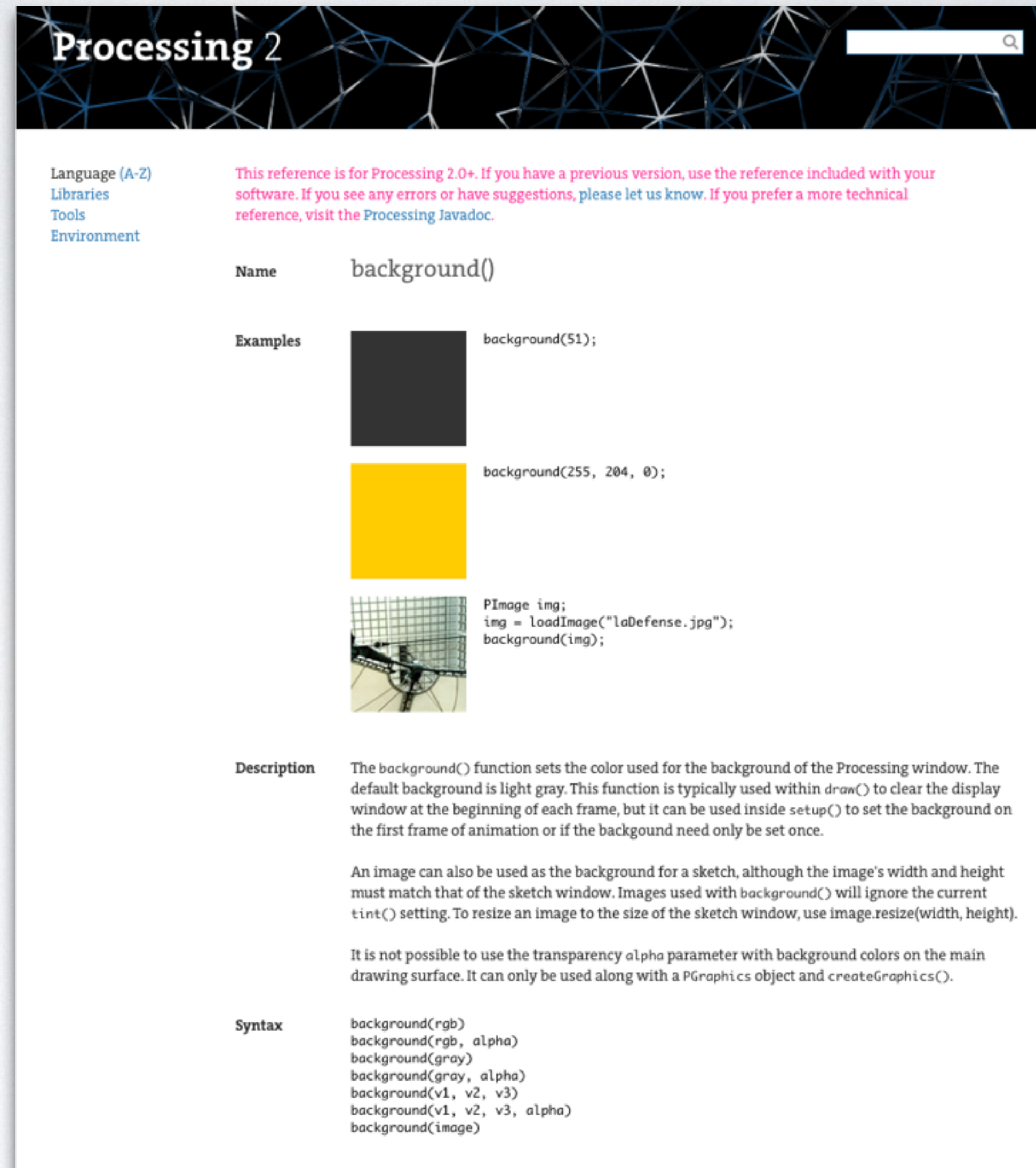
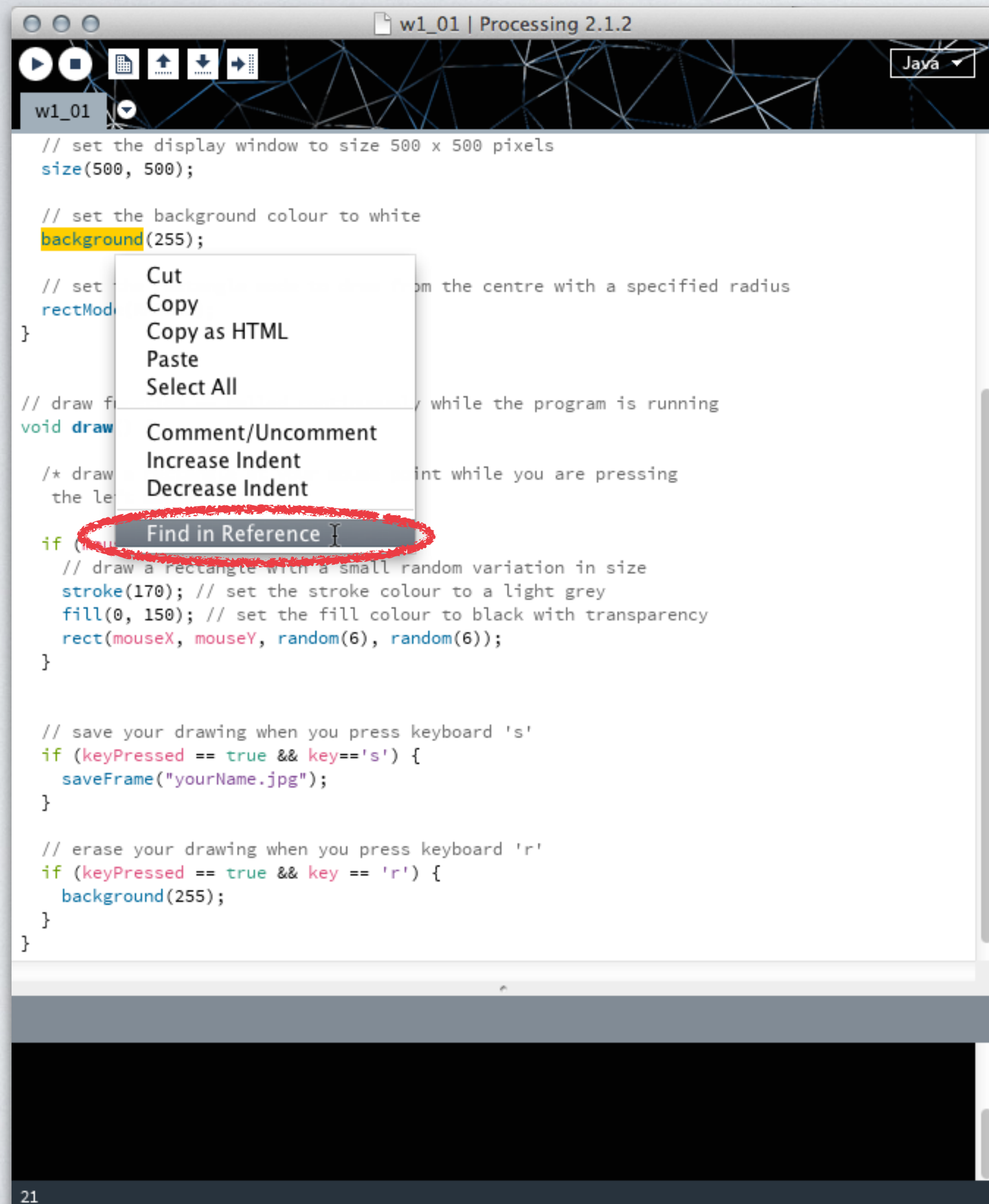
```
rect(x,y,w,h);
```

```
random(n);
```

```
saveFrame("filename.type");
```



# GETTING HELP





# COLOUR IN PROCESSING

```
fill(grey);
```

grey level from 0 to 255



```
fill(grey,alpha);
```

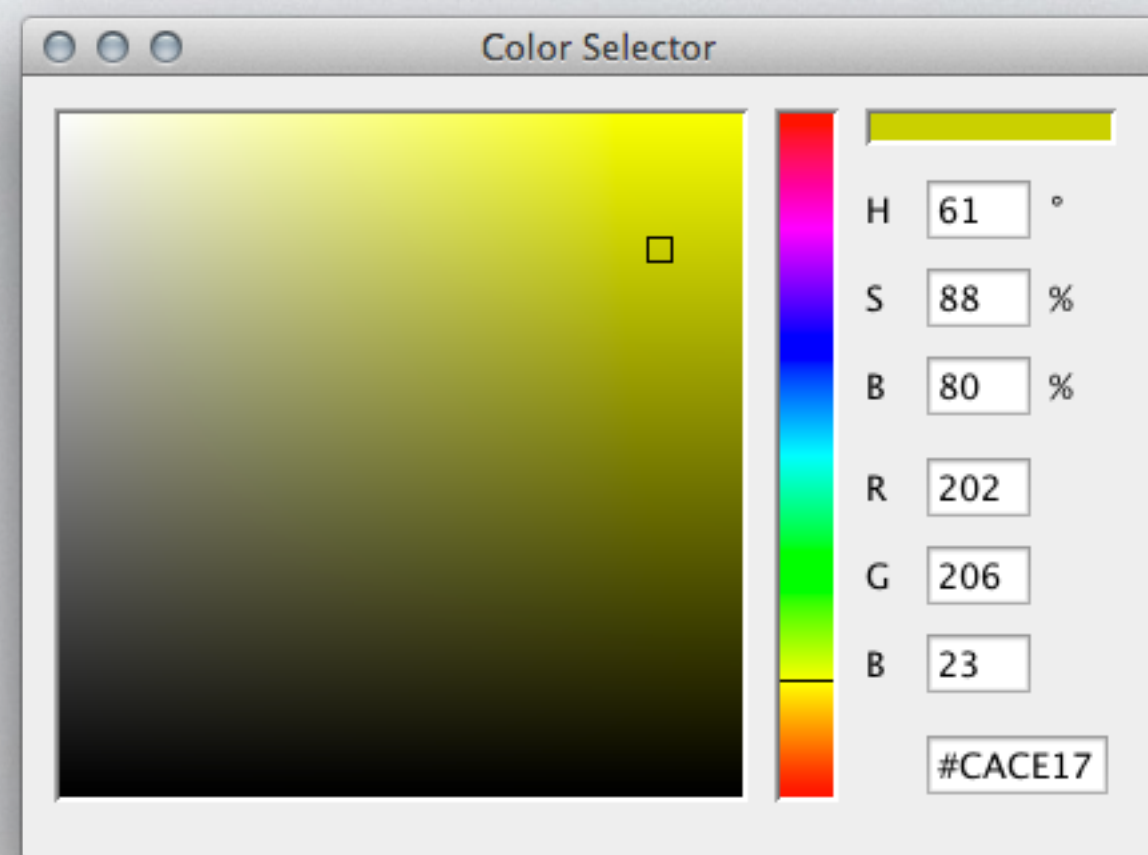
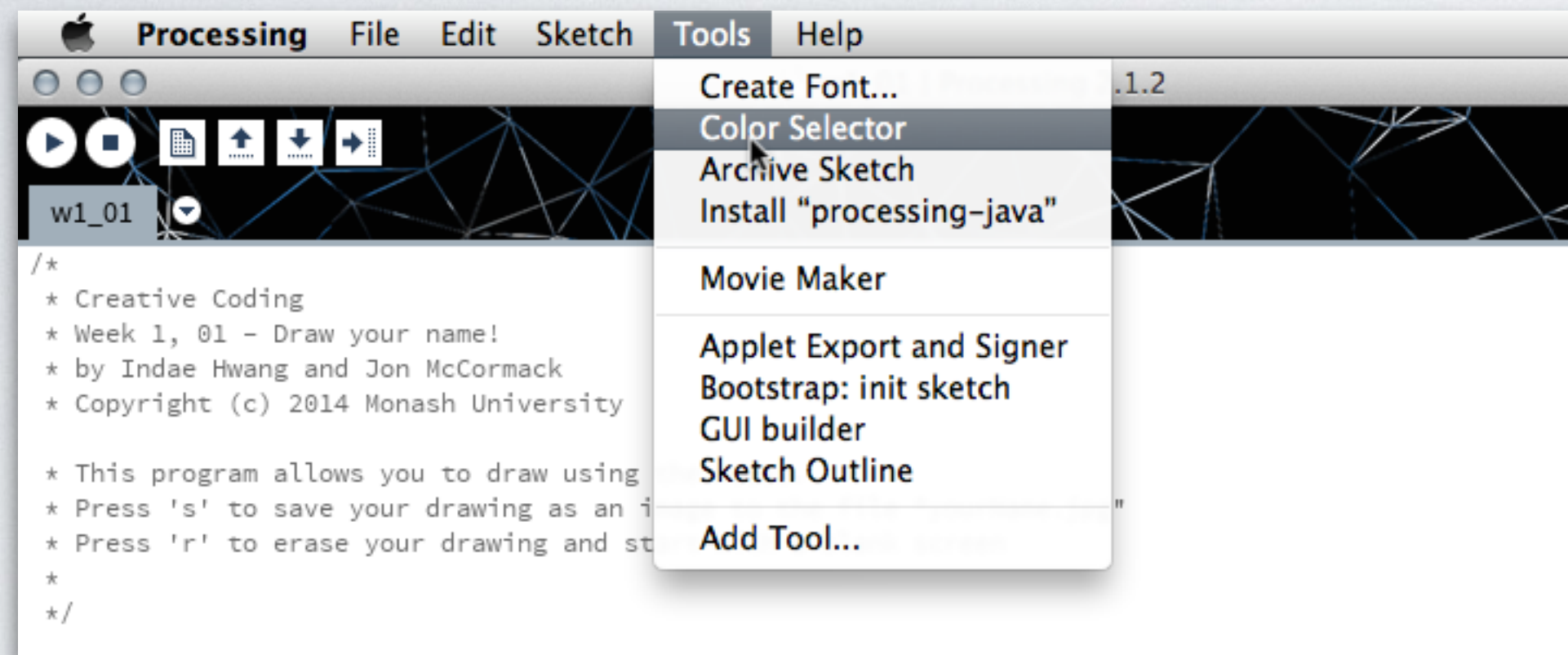
alpha level from 0 to 255



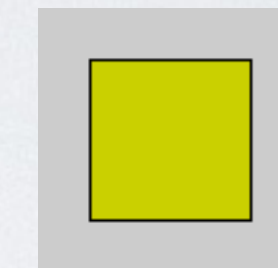


# COLOUR IN PROCESSING

```
fill(r,g,b);
```

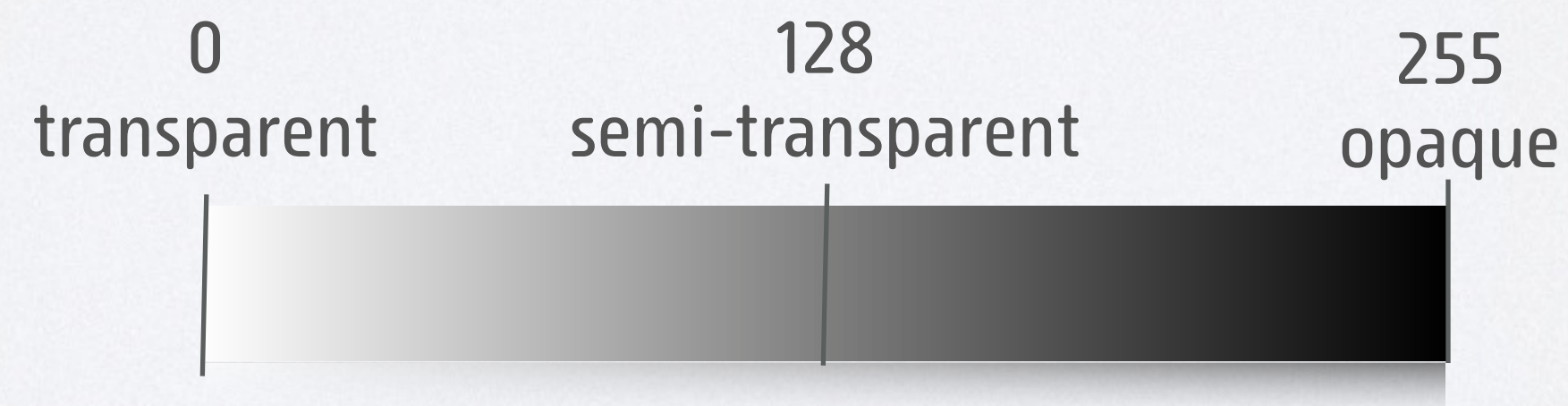


```
fill(202,206,23);  
rect(20,20,60,60);
```

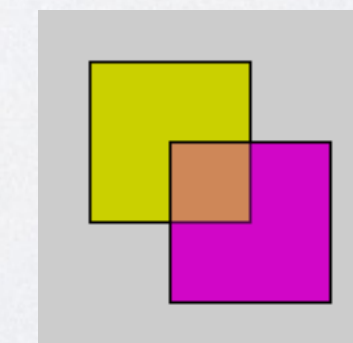


```
fill(r,g,b,alpha);
```

alpha level from 0 to 255



```
fill(202,206,23);  
rect(20,20,60,60);  
fill(206,23,197,100);  
rect(50,50,60,60);
```





# ERRORS

## **syntax errors**

typos or spelling mistakes

## **semantic errors**

do what I mean, not what I say



# ERRORS

missing ; →

Processing highlights where it  
thinks the error is located →

a more intelligible version →

Processing reports errors here →

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 */

// setup function -- called once when the program begins
void setup() {

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  rectMode(RADIUS);
}

// draw function -- called continuously while the program is running
void draw() {

  /* draw a rectangle at your mouse point while you are pressing
   the left mouse button */

  if (mousePressed) {
    // draw a rectangle with a small random variation in size
  }
}
```

Syntax error, maybe a missing semicolon?

expecting SEMI, found 'rectMode'

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# ERRORS

## semantic errors

do what I mean, not what I say

