Iteration

For Loops, variable scope, compound statements

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Topics list

Variable Scope

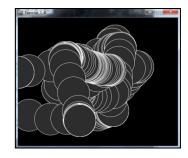
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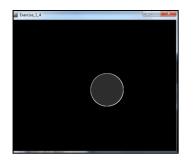
Compound Assignment Statements

Recap: Processing Example 5.4

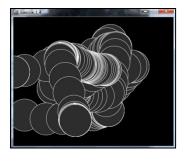
```
void setup() {
    size(500,400);
    background(0);
    stroke(255);
    fill(45,45,45);
}
```

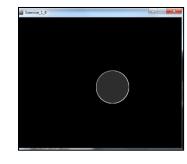
```
void draw() {
  if (mousePressed) {
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);
}
```





```
void setup() {
    size(500,400);
    background(0);
    stroke(255);
    fill(45,45,45);
}
```





```
void draw() {
  int diameter = 100;
  if (mousePressed) {
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
}
```

Local Scope – diameter variable

- The diameter variable is declared in the draw() function i.e. it is a local variable.
- It is only "alive" while the draw() function is running.
- Each time the draw() function:
 - finishes running, the diameter variable is destroyed.
 - is called, a new diameter variable is re-created.

```
void draw() {
  int diameter = 100;
  if (mousePressed) {
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
}
```

Local variables – scope rules!

- The scope of a local variable is the block it is declared in. A block is delimited by the curly braces {}.
- The lifetime of a local variable is the time of execution of the block it is declared in.
- Trying to access a local variable outside its scope will trigger a syntax error e.g.:

```
void draw()
{
    if (mousePressed)
    {
        int diameter = 100;
        background(0);
    }
    ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
}
```

```
void setup() {
  size(500,400);
  background(0);
  stroke(255);
  fill(45,45,45);
}
```

We now want to reduce the diameter size by 10 each time the mouse is pressed. Is this correct?

```
void draw() {
  int diameter = 100;
  if (mousePressed) {
    diameter = diameter - 10;
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
}
```

```
void setup() {
  size(500,400);
  background(0);
  stroke(255);
  fill(45,45,45);
}
```

We have a bug in our logic.

As the diameter variable is re-created each time draw() is called, its value will be reset to 100 and will loose our decrement of 10.

```
void draw() {
  int diameter = 100;
  if (mousePressed) {
    diameter = diameter - 10;
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
}
```

Global variables – scope rules!

- The scope of the diameter variable is too narrow; as soon as draw() finishes running, the local variable is destroyed and we loose all data.
- We need a diameter variable that lives for the lifetime is sketch i.e. a global variable.

```
We still have a bug in our logic.
int diameter = 100;
void setup() {
                                       The diameter variable is
 size(500,400);
                                    decreased each time we press
 background(0);
 stroke(255);
                                         the mouse. Correct!
 fill(45,45,45);
                                    However, what happens when
void draw() {
                                            we reach zero?
 if (mousePressed) {
  diameter = diameter - 10;
  background(0);
 ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
```

```
In the ellipse function, the width
int diameter = 100;
                                  and height are absolute values
void setup() {
                                    (negative sign is dropped).
 size(500,400);
 background(0);
 stroke(255);
                                 To handle this logic bug, we need
 fill(45,45,45);
                                  to stop reducing by 10 when we
                                   reach a certain value, say 20.
void draw() {
 if ((mousePressed) && (diameter > 20)){
  diameter = diameter - 10;
  background(0);
 ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
```

```
int diameter = 100;
void setup() {
 size(500,400);
                                             mouse?
 background(0);
 stroke(255);
 fill(45,45,45);
 frameRate(20);
void draw() {
 if ((mousePressed) && (diameter > 20)){
  diameter = diameter - 10;
  background(0);
 ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
```

Did you notice that it seems the reduction is larger than 10 when we press the

Why? The default frame rate is 60 refreshes of the screen per second i.e. draw() is called 60 times per second.

You can change the frame rate by calling the frameRate() function.

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Compound Assignment Statements

Recap: Boolean conditions

 A boolean condition is an expression that evaluates to either true or false e.g.

mouseX < 50

- Boolean conditions can be used to control:
 - Selection i.e. if statements and
 - Iteration i.e. loops (we will look at these now).

Repetition in Programming

- Computers are very good at repetition.
- Draw a rectangle 4 times that has a gap of 10 pixels between each one:

```
- Without loop:
rect(50, 60, 500, 10);
rect(50, 80, 500, 10);
rect(50, 100, 500, 10);
rect(50, 120, 500, 10);
```



Repetition in Programming

 Draw a rectangle 4 times that has a gap of 10 pixels between each one:

- With a loop:
 - do this 4 times (adding 20 onto the yCoordinate variable each time).

rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);



Loops in Programming

There are three types of loop in (Java) programming:

- For loops (we will cover these).
- While loops
- Do While loops

For loop pseudo-code

```
General form of a for loop

for(initialization; boolean condition; post-body action)
{
    statements to be repeated
}
```

```
int yCoordinate = 60;
                                      sketch 151007a
size(600, 300);
background(102);
fill(255);
noStroke();
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
  rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);
  yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 20;
```

For loop syntax

```
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
```

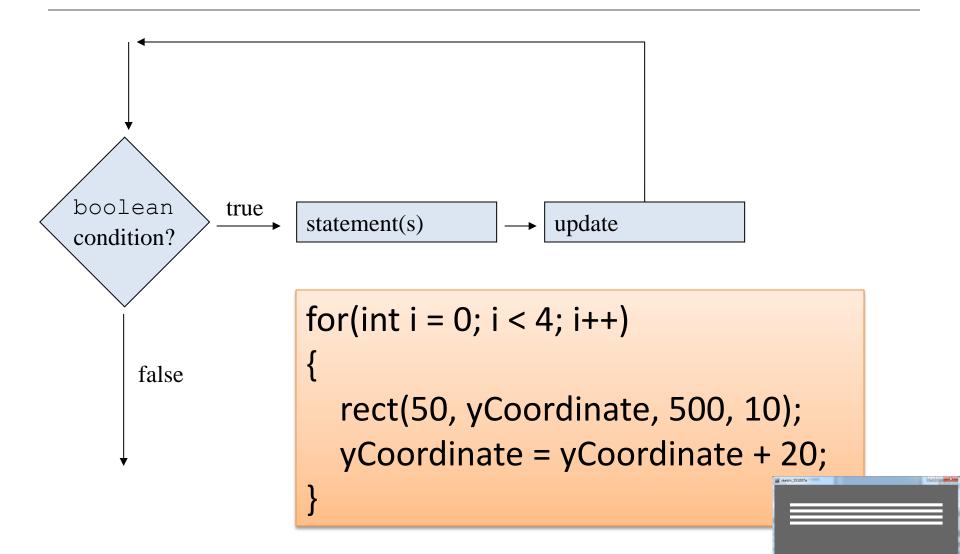
```
for(initialization; boolean condition; post-body action)
{
    statements to be repeated
}
```

For loop syntax

for(int
$$i = 0$$
; $i < 4$; $i++$)

Initialization	int i = 0	Initialise a loop control variable (LCV) e.g. i. It can include a variable declaration.
Boolean condition	i < 4	Is a valid boolean condition that typically tests the loop control variable (LCV).
Post-body action	i++	A change to the loop control variable (LCV). Contains an assignment statement.

for Loop Flowchart



Returning to: Processing Example 6.4

```
int yCoordinate = 60;
size(600, 300);
background(102);
fill(255);
noStroke();
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
  rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);
  yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 20;
```

Do we need the yCoordinate variable? Can you think of a different approach using a for loop?



Updated: Processing Example 6.4

```
size(600, 300);
background(102);
fill(255);
noStroke();
for(int i = 60; i <= 120; i = i + 20)
  rect(50, i, 500, 10);
```



For loop: all parts are optional

```
for (;;)
{
    // statements here
}
```

This is an infinite loop...

For loops can be nested

```
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 0
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 1
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 2
The value of i is: 0 and j is: 3
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 0
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 1
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 2
The value of i is: 1 and j is: 3
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 0
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 1
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 2
The value of i is: 2 and j is: 3
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 0
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 1
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 2
The value of i is: 3 and j is: 3
```

```
for (int i=0; i < 4; i++)
for (int j=0; j < 4; j++)
```

println("The value of i is: " + i + " and j is: " + j);

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A note on i++

- The post-body action in this for loop is i++.
- This is called a compound assignment statement.
- It is a shortcut for i = i + 1.

```
for(int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
{
    rect(50, yCoordinate, 500, 10);
    yCoordinate = yCoordinate + 20;
}</pre>
```

Compound Assignment Statements

	Full statement	Shortcut
	x = x + a;	x += a;
Mathematical shortcuts	x = x - a;	x -= a;
	x = x * a;	x *= a;
	x = x / a;	x /=a;
Increment shortcut	x = x + 1;	X++;
Decrement shortcut	x = x - 1;	X;

Questions?





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