Iteration

For Loops, variable scope, compound statements

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Variable Scope

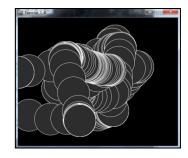
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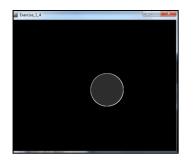
Compound Assignment Statements

Recap: Processing Example 5.4

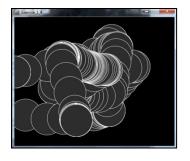
```
void setup() {
    size(500,400);
    background(0);
    stroke(255);
    fill(45,45,45);
}
```

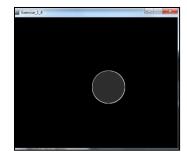
```
void draw() {
  if (mousePressed) {
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);
}
```





```
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?

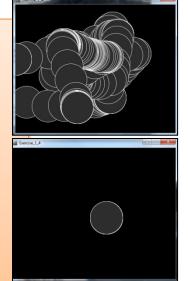
```
void draw() {
  int diameter = 100;
  if (mousePressed) {
    diameter = diameter - 10;
    background(0);
  }
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
}
```

```
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);
```

```
Did you notice that it seems
int diameter = 100;
                                               the reduction is larger than
void setup() {
                                               10 when we press the
 size(500,400);
                                               mouse?
 background(0);
 stroke(255);
                                               Why? The default frame rate
 fill(45,45,45);
                                               is 60 refreshes of the screen
 frameRate(20);
                                               per second i.e. draw() is
                                               called 60 times per second.
void draw() {
                                               You can change the frame
 if ((mousePressed) && (diameter > 20)){
                                               rate by calling the
  diameter = diameter - 10;
                                               frameRate() function.
  background(0);
 ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, diameter, diameter);
```

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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
- 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++)
```

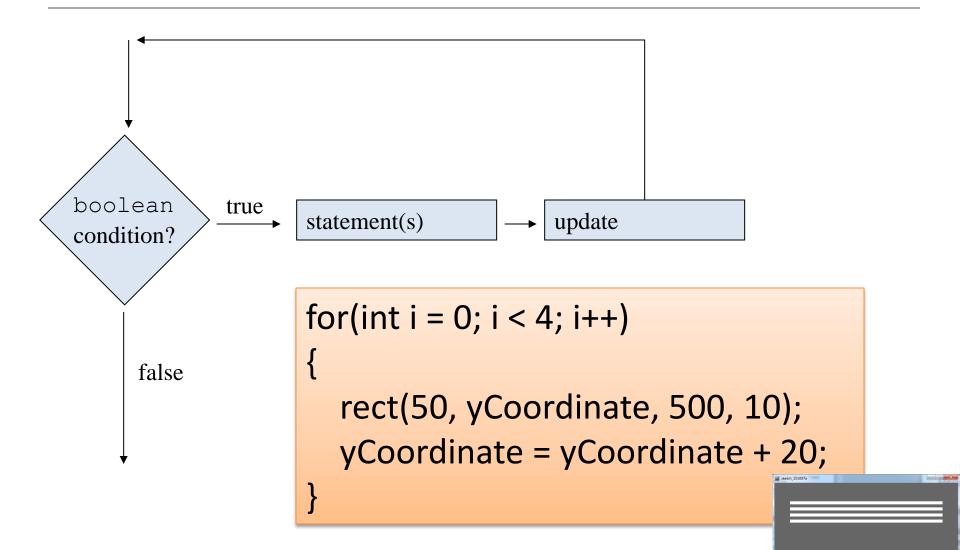
```
for(initialization; boolean condition; post-body action)
{
    statements to be repeated
}
```

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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