

Web Programming (CSci 130)

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Learning outcomes

- The **canvas** in Javascript
- Some remarks about Javascript:
 - When you use a variable, ask yourself :
 - What is its type?
 - Object, symbol, string, number ...
 - To what element is it connected in the whole structure?
 - Simple variable
 - Object
 - Property of an object
 - What do you want to do with it?
 - Access the value, update the value?
 - HTML (ID) \leftrightarrow DOM Object \leftrightarrow variable to access/modify

Canvas API

- Added to HTML5

- <canvas>

- To draw graphics via scripts in Javascript
 - Graphs, photo compositions, animations, real time video processing, video games...

- HTML

- <canvas id="Mycanvas"></canvas>

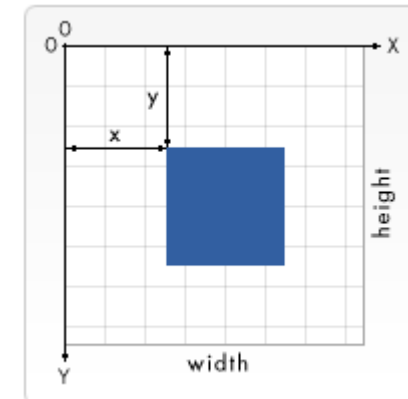
- JavaScript

- `var canvas = document.getElementById('Mycanvas');`
 - `var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');`
 - `ctx.fillStyle = 'blue';`
 - `ctx.fillRect(20, 20, 100, 100);` // position and size

Canvas

- “Similar” to an image ()
- HTML
 - `<canvas id="MyCanvas" width="150" height="150"></canvas>`
 - Default size 300px wide x 150px height
 - Styled with
 - Margin, border, background...
 - Check for support

```
if (canvas.getContext) {  
    var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');  
    // drawing code here  
} else {  
    // canvas-unsupported code here  
}
```



Canvas: Draw rectangles

- Inputs
 - position (x,y) + size
- `fillRect(x, y, width, height)`
 - Draws a filled rectangle.
- `strokeRect(x, y, width, height)`
 - Draws a rectangular outline.
- `clearRect(x, y, width, height)`
 - Clears the specified rectangular area, making it fully transparent.

Canvas: Draw paths

- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.beginPath()`
 - Starts a new path by emptying the list of sub-paths.
 - → Call this method when you want to create a new path.
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.closePath()`
 - Causes the point of the pen to move **back** to the start of the current sub-path.
 - It tries to draw a straight line from the current point to the start.
 - If the shape has already been closed or has only one point, this function does nothing.
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.moveTo()`
 - Moves the starting point of a new sub-path to the (x, y) coordinates.
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.lineTo()`
 - Connects the last point in the subpath to the x, y coordinates with a straight line.
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.bezierCurveTo()`
 - Adds a **cubic Bézier curve** to the path. (3 points).
 - The first 2 points are control points and the third one is the end point.
 - The starting point is the last point in the current path, which can be changed using `moveTo()` before creating the Bézier curve.

Canvas: Draw paths

- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.quadraticCurveTo()`
 - Adds a quadratic Bézier curve to the current path.
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.arc()`
 - Adds an arc to the path which is centered at (x, y) position with
 - radius **r** starting at **startAngle** and ending at **endAngle** going in the given direction by **anticlockwise** (defaulting to clockwise).
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.arcTo()`
 - Adds an arc to the path with the given control points and radius
 - connected to the previous point by a straight line.
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.ellipse()`
 - Adds an ellipse to the path which is centered at (x, y) position with the radii **radiusX** and **radiusY** starting at **startAngle** and ending at **endAngle** going in the given direction by anticlockwise (defaulting to clockwise).
- `CanvasRenderingContext2D.rect()`
 - Creates a path for a rectangle at position (x, y) with a size that is determined by width and height.

Canvas: Example

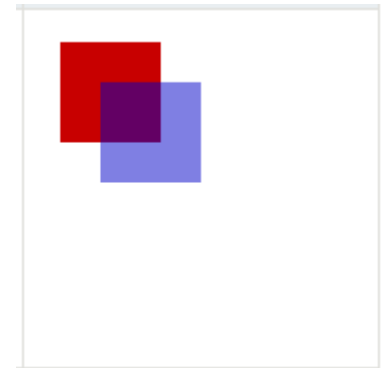
- The main structure:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8"/>
    <title>Canvas tutorial</title>
    <script type="text/javascript">
      function draw() {
        var canvas = document.getElementById('tutorial');
        if (canvas.getContext) {
          var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
        }
      }
    </script>
    <style type="text/css">
      canvas { border: 1px solid black; }
    </style>
  </head>
  <body onload="draw();" >
    <canvas id="tutorial" width="150" height="150"></canvas>
  </body>
</html>
```


Canvas: Example

- Example:
 - Rectangle

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8"/>
    <script type="application/javascript">
      function draw() {
        var canvas = document.getElementById('canvas');
        if (canvas.getContext) { // check for context
          var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
          // square 1
          ctx.fillStyle = 'rgb(200, 0, 0)'; // color
          ctx.fillRect(10, 10, 50, 50); // position and size
          // square 2
          ctx.fillStyle = 'rgba(0, 0, 200, 0.5)'; // color
          ctx.fillRect(30, 30, 50, 50); // position and size
        }
      }
    </script>
  </head>
  <body onload="draw();" >
    <canvas id="canvas" width="150" height="150"></canvas>
  </body>
</html>
```



Canvas: Example

- Example:
 - Triangle

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8"/>
    <script type="application/javascript">
      function draw() { // draw a triangle
        var canvas = document.getElementById('canvas');
        if (canvas.getContext) {
          var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
          ctx.beginPath();
          ctx.moveTo(75, 50);
          ctx.lineTo(100, 75);
          ctx.lineTo(100, 25);
          ctx.fill();
        }
      }
    </script>
  </head>
  <body onload="draw();" >
    <canvas id="canvas" width="150" height="150"></canvas>
  </body>
</html>
```

Canvas: Example

- Example
 - Smiley

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8"/>
    <script type="application/javascript">
      function draw() {
        var canvas = document.getElementById('canvas');
        if (canvas.getContext) {
          var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
          ctx.beginPath();
          ctx.arc(75, 75, 50, 0, Math.PI * 2, true); // Outer circle
          ctx.moveTo(110, 75);
          ctx.arc(75, 75, 35, 0, Math.PI, false); // Mouth (clockwise)
          ctx.moveTo(65, 65);
          ctx.arc(60, 65, 5, 0, Math.PI * 2, true); // Left eye
          ctx.moveTo(95, 65);
          ctx.arc(90, 65, 5, 0, Math.PI * 2, true); // Right eye
          ctx.stroke();
        }
      }
    </script>
  </head>
  <body onload="draw();" >
    <canvas id="canvas" width="150" height="150"></canvas>
  </body>
</html>
```



Canvas: Example

- Example
 - Bezier curve

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8"/>
    <script type="application/javascript">
      function draw() {
        var canvas = document.getElementById('canvas');
        if (canvas.getContext) {
          var ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
          // Cubic curves example
          ctx.beginPath();
          ctx.moveTo(75, 40);
          ctx.bezierCurveTo(75, 37, 70, 25, 50, 25);
          ctx.bezierCurveTo(20, 25, 20, 62.5, 20, 62.5);
          ctx.bezierCurveTo(20, 80, 40, 102, 75, 120);
          ctx.bezierCurveTo(110, 102, 130, 80, 130, 62.5);
          ctx.bezierCurveTo(130, 62.5, 130, 25, 100, 25);
          ctx.bezierCurveTo(85, 25, 75, 37, 75, 40);
          ctx.fill();
        }
      }
    </script>
  </head>
  <body onload="draw();" >
    <canvas id="canvas" width="150" height="150"></canvas>
  </body>
</html>
```

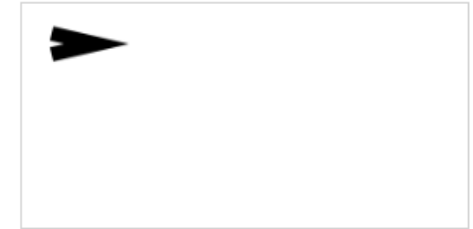


Canvas: Colors

- `fillStyle = color`
 - Sets the style used when filling shapes.
- `strokeStyle = color`
 - Sets the style for shapes' outlines.
- **Format**
 - `ctx.fillStyle = 'orange';` // string (predefined colors)
 - `ctx.fillStyle = '#FFA500';` // Hexadecimal : one channel = 2 bytes
 - `ctx.fillStyle = 'rgb(255, 165, 0)';` // RGB
 - `ctx.fillStyle = 'rgba(255, 165, 0, 1)';` // RGBA

Canvas: line styles

- `lineWidth = value`
 - Sets the width of lines drawn in the future.
- `lineCap = type`
 - Sets the appearance of the ends of lines.
- `lineJoin = type`
 - Sets the appearance of the "corners" where lines meet.
- `miterLimit = value`
 - Establishes a limit on the miter when two lines join at a sharp angle, to let you control how thick the junction becomes.
- `getLineDash()`
 - Returns the current line dash pattern array containing an even number of non-negative numbers.
- `setLineDash(segments)`
 - Sets the current line dash pattern.
- `lineDashOffset = value`
 - Specifies where to start a dash array on a line



```
<script>
var c = document.getElementById("myCanvas");
var ctx = c.getContext("2d");
ctx.lineWidth = 10;
ctx.lineJoin = "miter";
ctx.miterLimit = 8;
ctx.moveTo(20, 20);
ctx.lineTo(50, 27);
ctx.lineTo(20, 34);
ctx.stroke();
</script>
```

Canvas: special effects

■ Gradients (same effect as with CSS)

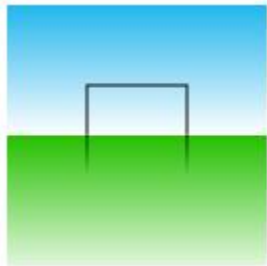
➤ Linear, radial gradients

- `createLinearGradient(x1, y1, x2, y2)`
 - Creates a linear gradient object with a starting point of (x1, y1) and an end point of (x2, y2).
- `createRadialGradient(x1, y1, r1, x2, y2, r2)`
 - Creates a radial gradient.
 - Parameters: 2 circles
 - one with its center at (x1, y1) and a radius of r1
 - the other with its center at (x2, y2) with a radius of r2
- `gradient.addColorStop(position, color)`
 - Creates a new color stop on the gradient object.
 - Position: number between 0.0 and 1.0
 - defines the relative position of the color in the gradient
 - the color argument must be a string representing a CSS <color>
 - indicating the color the gradient should reach at that offset into the transition.

Canvas: special effects

- Example
 - Gradient

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8"/>
    <script type="application/javascript">
function draw() {
  var ctx = document.getElementById('canvas').getContext('2d');
  // Create gradients
  var lingrad = ctx.createLinearGradient(0, 0, 0, 150);
  lingrad.addColorStop(0, '#00ABEB');
  lingrad.addColorStop(0.5, '#fff');
  lingrad.addColorStop(0.5, '#26C000');
  lingrad.addColorStop(1, '#fff');
  var lingrad2 = ctx.createLinearGradient(0, 50, 0, 95);
  lingrad2.addColorStop(0.5, '#000');
  lingrad2.addColorStop(1, 'rgba(0, 0, 0, 0)');
  // assign gradients to fill and stroke styles
  ctx.fillStyle = lingrad;
  ctx.strokeStyle = lingrad2;
  // draw shapes
  ctx.fillRect(10, 10, 130, 130);
  ctx.strokeRect(50, 50, 50, 50);
}
</script>
</head>
<body onload="draw();" >
  <canvas id="canvas" width="150" height="150"></canvas>
</body>
</html>
```



Canvas: special effects

■ Shadows

➤ shadowOffsetX = float

- Indicates the horizontal distance the shadow should extend from the object.
- Not affected by the transformation matrix.
 - Default value = 0.

➤ shadowOffsetY = float

- Indicates the vertical distance the shadow should extend from the object.
- Not affected by the transformation matrix.
 - Default value = 0.

➤ shadowBlur = float

- Indicates the size of the blurring effect
- No correspondence to a number of pixels
- Not affected by the current transformation matrix.
 - Default value = 0.

➤ shadowColor = color

- A standard CSS color value indicating the color of the shadow effect
 - Default: it is fully-transparent black.

Canvas: draw text

- `fillText(text, x, y [, maxWidth])`
 - Fills a given text at the given (x,y) position.
 - Optionally with a maximum width to draw.
- `strokeText(text, x, y [, maxWidth])`
 - Strokes a given text at the given (x,y) position.
 - Optionally with a maximum width to draw.
- `font = value`
 - The current text style being used when drawing text.
 - Same syntax as the CSS font property.
 - Default font = 10px sans-serif.
- `textAlign = value`
 - Text alignment setting. Possible values: start, end, left, right or center.
 - Default value = start.
- `textBaseline = value`
 - Baseline alignment setting.
 - Possible values: top, hanging, middle, alphabetic, ideographic, bottom.
 - Default value = alphabetic.
- `direction = value`
 - Directionality.
 - Possible values: ltr, rtl, inherit.
 - Default value = inherit

Canvas: draw existing images

- `drawImage(image, x, y)`
 - Draws the `CanvasImageSource`
 - specified by the `image` parameter at the coordinates `(x, y)`.
- `drawImage(image, sx, sy, sWidth, sHeight, dx, dy, dWidth, dHeight)`
 - Given an image (`image`),
 - the area of the source image specified by the rectangle whose **top-left** corner is `(sx, sy)`
 - width and height : `sWidth` and `sHeight`
 - → draws it into the canvas
 - Placing it on the canvas at `(dx, dy)`
 - Scaling it to the size specified by `dWidth` and `dHeight`.

Canvas: geometric transformation

- `translate(x, y)`
 - Moves the canvas and its origin on the grid.
 - x: how far to move the grid horizontal
 - y: how far to move the grid vertically
- `rotate(angle)`
 - Rotates the canvas **clockwise** around the current origin by the angle number of **radians**.
- `scale(x, y)`
 - Scales the canvas units by x horizontally and by y vertically.
 - Both parameters are **real numbers**.
 - Values < 1.0 → reduce the unit size
 - Values > 1.0 → increase the unit size.
 - Values == 1.0 → leave the units the same size.
- `transform(a, b, c, d, e, f)`
 - a (m11) : Horizontal scaling.
 - b (m12): Horizontal skewing.
 - c (m21): Vertical skewing.
 - d (m22): Vertical scaling.
 - e (dx): Horizontal moving.
 - f (dy): Vertical moving.

Canvas: saving states

- `save()`
 - Saves the entire state of the canvas.
- `restore()`
 - Restores the most recently saved canvas state.
- Canvas states
 - stored on a stack.
 - Every time the `save()` method is called → the current drawing state is pushed onto the stack.

Canvas: animation

■ Animation frame by frame

➤ Clear the canvas

- Unless the shapes you'll be drawing fill the complete canvas
 - Example: a backdrop image
- you need to clear any shapes that have been drawn previously!
 - The easiest way: `clearRect()` method.

➤ Save the canvas state

- If you're changing any setting
 - styles, transformations, etc.
- which affect the canvas state and you want to make sure the original state is used each time a frame is drawn
 - → you need to save that original state.

➤ Draw animated shapes

- The step where you do the actual frame rendering.

➤ Restore the canvas state

- If you've saved the state, restore it before drawing a new frame!

Canvas: animation

■ Control

➤ `setInterval(function, delay)`

- Starts repeatedly executing the function specified by function every delay milliseconds (ms)

➤ `setTimeout(function, delay)`

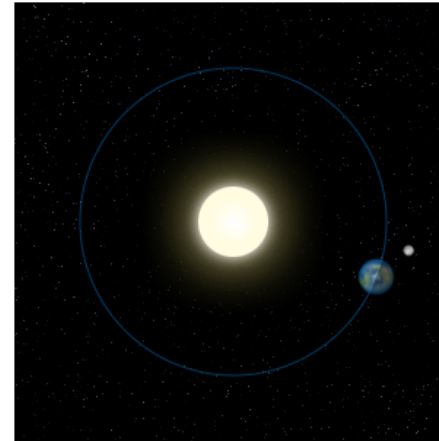
- Executes the function specified by function in delay milliseconds (ms).

➤ `requestAnimationFrame(callback)`

- Tells the browser that:
 - you wish to perform an animation and requests that the browser call a specified function to update an animation before the next repaint.

Canvas: animation

- See examples on Canvas:
 - class_javascript_canvas_01.html
 - class_javascript_canvas_02.html
 - Moon, Earth, Sun animation
 - class_javascript_canvas_03.html
 - Mouse event + animation
 - More about the mouse:
 - <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/MouseEvent>



Canvases

- Example
 - CSS+HTML+JS

```
<!DOCTYPE html lang="en">
<head>
<meta charset="UTF-8" />
<title>Multiple canvases (CSci130)</title>
<style>
canvas {
    width: 100px;
    height: 100px;
    background-color: red;
    display: inline-block;
}
</style>
</head>
<body>
<!-- First you need to define the canvases -->
<canvas></canvas>
<canvas></canvas>
<canvas></canvas>
<canvas></canvas>
<script>
// Script to modify the canvases
var canvases = document.getElementsByTagName('canvas');

for( var i=0; i<canvases.length; i++){
    ctx = canvases[i].getContext('2d');
    ctx.arc(50, 50, 50, 0, 2*Math.PI);
    ctx.lineWidth = 15;
    ctx.strokeStyle = 'blue';
    ctx.stroke();
}
</script>
</body>
</html>
```

Conclusion

- Animation in Web Programming
 - Several approaches, depending on the complexity of the scene to display:
 - CSS, JS, multimedia files embedded in HTML
- Javascript animation
 - The canvas for drawing elements
 - A powerful tool to create animations
 - Use it wisely for the project – you may not need it !
 - To create interactions between the user and the website
 - 2D Video games
 - Events (mouse)
 - To interact with graphical elements inside the canvas
- Midterm/Final type of question
 - Given an animation or an image, and partially completed code: complete the code
 - Set the right parameters for a desired effect