

# Programming Fundamentals

## An Introduction to the module

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# Agenda

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  - *Structure of the module*
  - *Troubleshooting labs*
  - *Module assessment*
  - *Ethos*

# Introducing your lecturers

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# Structure of the module

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12 weeks of delivery

Lectures

Labs

Mon  
12:15 –  
2:00

Wed  
12:15 –  
2:00

Tues (A)  
12:15 -  
1:45

Tues (B)  
1:45 -  
3:15

Thurs(A)  
10:45 -  
12:15

Fri (B)  
10:45 -  
12:15

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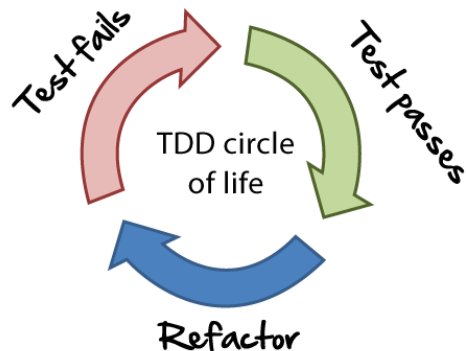


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# Structure of the module

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JUnit



Week Starting...	Topic	IDE	Assessment (100% CA)
Week 1 (22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan)	Static and Animated Drawings, Sequence, Data Types	Processing	
Week 2 (29 <sup>th</sup> Jan)	Selection (if), Iteration (loops), Events	Processing	
Week 3 (5 <sup>th</sup> Feb)	Using and Writing Methods	Processing	<i>Assign 1 spec released</i>
Week 4 (12 <sup>th</sup> Feb)	Strings, Classes, Objects	Processing	
MIDTERM (19 <sup>th</sup> Feb)	MIDTERM	MIDTERM	
Week 5 (26 <sup>th</sup> Feb)	Primitive Arrays and More on Classes	Processing	
Week 6 (5 <sup>th</sup> March)	Building the Game of Pong (released end of week 4)	Processing	<i>Assignment 1 due Sunday</i>
Week 7 (12 <sup>th</sup> March)	IntelliJ, Basic I/O, Array Recap, Collections (ArrayList)	IntelliJ	<i>Assign 2 spec released</i>
Week 8 (19 <sup>th</sup> March)	Collections (ArrayList), Menu Driven Apps, Persistence	IntelliJ	
EASTER (26 <sup>th</sup> March)	EASTER HOLIDAYS	EASTER	
EASTER (2 <sup>nd</sup> April)	EASTER HOLIDAYS	EASTER	<i>Assign 2 due Sunday</i>
Week 9 (9 <sup>th</sup> April)	XML, Exceptions, Collections (Maps, Sets)	IntelliJ	<i>Assign 3 spec released</i>
Week 10 (16 <sup>th</sup> April)	Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction	IntelliJ	
Week 11 (23 <sup>rd</sup> April)	TDD and JUnit	IntelliJ	
Week 12 (30 <sup>th</sup> April)	Interfaces	IntelliJ	<i>Assign 3 due Sun 20<sup>th</sup> May</i>

# Assignment structure

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- 100% Continuous Assessment (CA).
- 3 assignments:
  - Assignment 1 (30%) – due Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 5PM
  - Assignment 2 (20%) – due Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 5PM
  - Assignment 3 (50%) – due Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 5PM
- Hard deadlines; extensions only permitted if [mitigating circumstances](#) apply.
- Individual assignments (no team-based ones).
- Submit via Moodle assignment dropboxes.




# *Troubleshooting labs*

## *...during the lab sessions*


Post the issue in Slack; think of it as asking a question in a traditional classroom. Include any screen shots, screen recordings, etc you think might help solve the problem.



We encourage classmates to help each other, so if you know the answer to another student's issue, please do respond.



All our responses will be via Slack so that all students can see the resolution.



Note: for private issues, chat is also possible with us privately in Slack (or email).

# *Troubleshooting labs*

## *...outside of the lab sessions*

Search Slack Chatroom



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graph TD; A[Search Slack Chatroom] --> B[Check Google / StackOverflow (or equivalent) for possible solution]; B --> C[Post the issue in Slack Chatroom];
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Post the issue in Slack Chatroom

# Ethos

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- Self-directed learning outside of lectures / labs.
- Inquisitive and motivated.
- Helpful to peers.
- Engagement and staying current with the module.
- All work submitted must be your own work.
  - Note: all code/approaches given in the module by us can be re-used / re-purposed in your assignments.

# Introduction to Processing



# What is Processing?

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“Processing is a programming language,  
development environment,  
and online community.”

[Source: https://processing.org/](https://processing.org/)

- Some online examples developed using Processing:

<http://www.thesheepmarket.com/>

<http://balldroppings.com/js/>

<http://www.openprocessing.org/browse/>

# What is Processing?

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Processing...

...can be used to develop static or interactive online material and data visualisations.

...is often used by visual artists.

...produces visual and interactive representations of programming code.



# What is Processing?

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- Different programming languages can be used with Processing e.g. :
  - Java: we will use this language.
  - JavaScript
  - Python
  - CoffeeScript
  - Etc.

# Why are we using Processing?

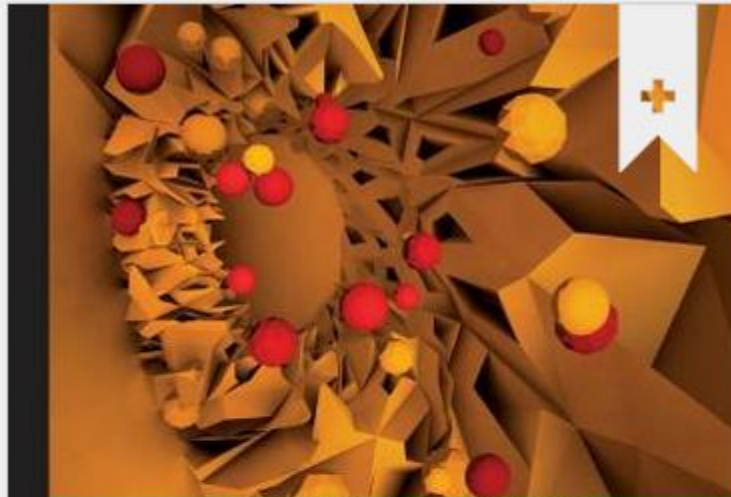
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*Processing is increasingly used  
to teach computer  
programming fundamentals  
(<https://processing.org/overview/>)*



# Some eBooks in WIT library

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Quick answers to common problems

## Processing 2: Creative Programming Cookbook

Over 90 highly-effective recipes to unleash your creativity with interactive art, graphics, computer vision, 3D, and more

Jan Vantomme

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Cool projects that will push your skills to the limit

## Processing 2: Creative Coding

Learn Processing with exciting and engaging projects to make your computer talk, see, hear, express emotions, and even design physical objects

# HOTSHOT

Nikolaus Gradwohl

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We will start coding in Processing  
in the afternoon session



# Questions?

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