

Creative Coding Workshop #1

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What is Creative Coding?

Creative Coding:

Creative coding is a type of computer programming in which the goal is **to create something expressive** instead of something functional.

Why creative coding is worth to learn?

1. Coding without any visual/sound is **SOOOOOOO boring**, at least for me.
2. The art of coding should exist not only for hard-core engineers, but also for **artists/designers/architects/hobbyist**.
3. The expression that machine produces causes **different affection and impression** for us.

Popular tools for Creative Coding

Processing

(2003– / Java)

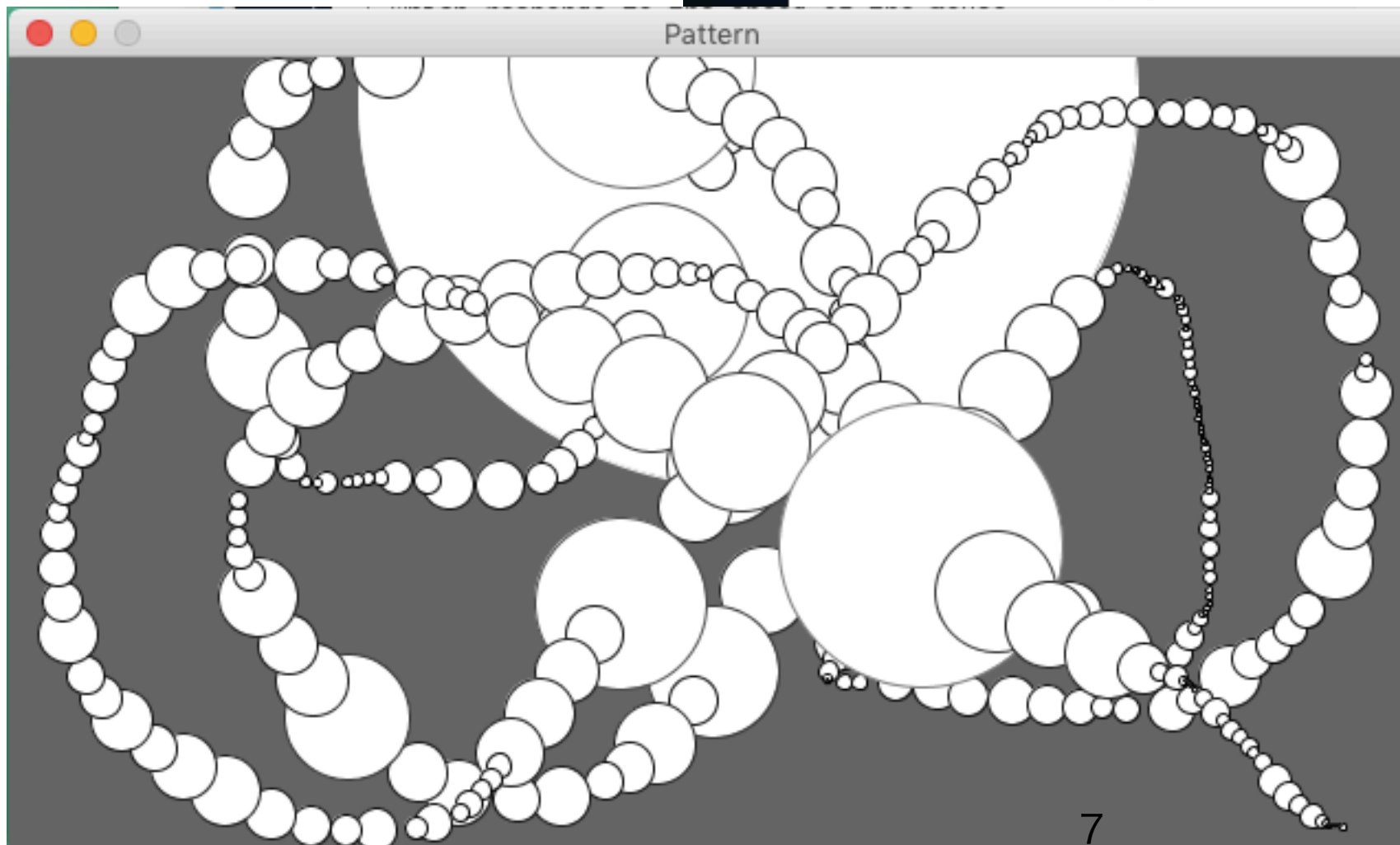
An open-source graphical library and integrated development environment (IDE) / playground built for the electronic arts, new media art, etc.

The basic language is **Java**.

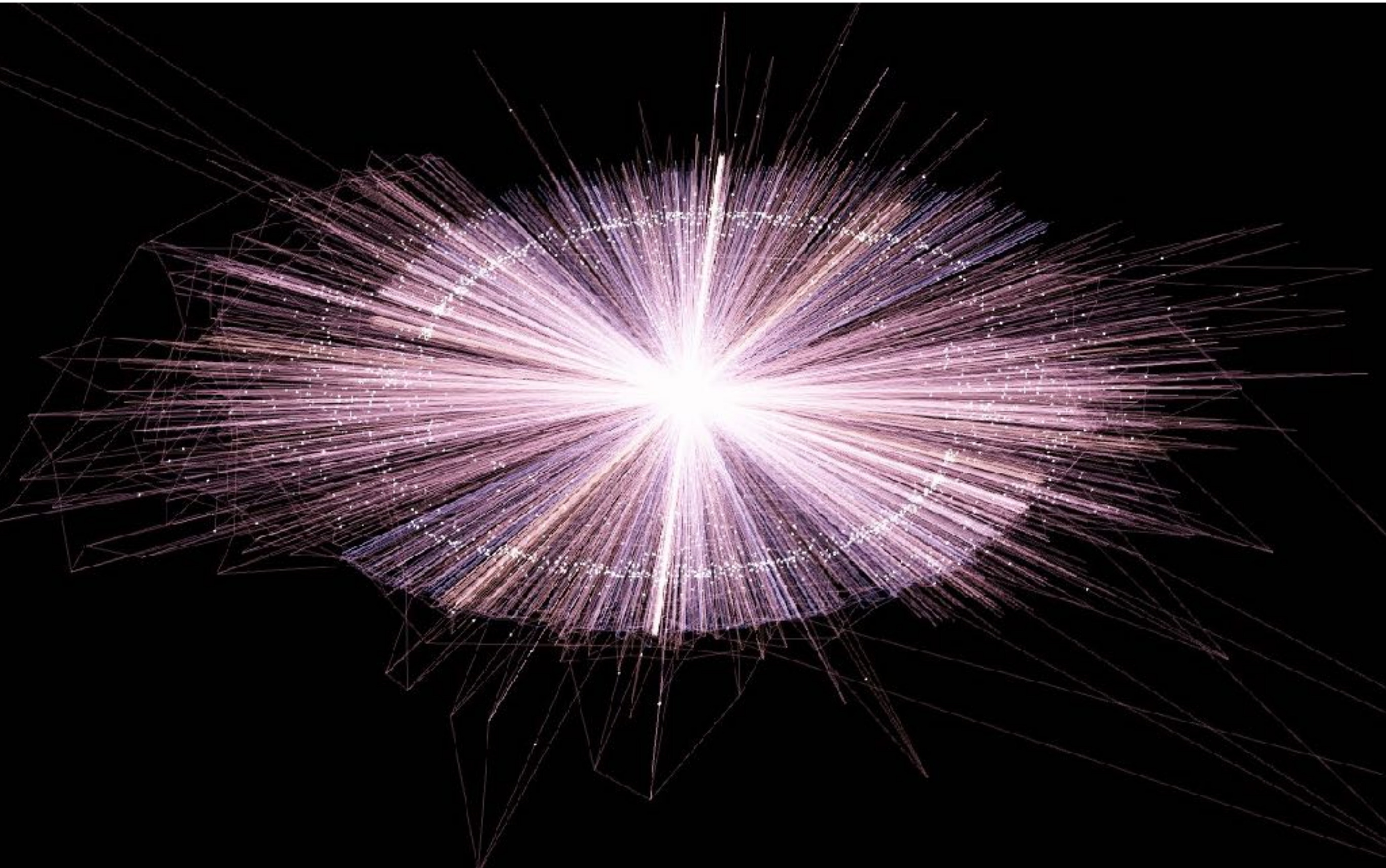


Processing

```
    }  
    24  
    25    float m = 0.1*movers[i].mass;  
    26    PVector gravity = new PVector(0, m);  
    27    movers[i].applyForce(gravity);  
    28  
    29    movers[i].update();  
    30    movers[i].display();  
    31    movers[i].checkEdges();  
    32  }  
    33  fill(0);  
    34  text("click mouse to reset", 10, 30);  
    35  }  
    36  
    37  
    38  void mousePressed() {
```



```
    39    randomly  
    40    i++) {  
    41      3), 40+i*70, random(0, 20));
```

openFrameworks

(2005– / C++)

An open source toolkit designed to assist the creative process by providing a simple and intuitive framework for experimentation. OpenFrameworks is written in **C++** and built on top of **OpenGL**.

OpenFrameworks

The screenshot displays the OpenFrameworks IDE interface. The left sidebar shows a project tree with folders like 'openFrameworks', 'src', and 'addons'. The main editor window shows the source file 'ofApp.cpp' with the following code:

```
13
19 //we don't want to capture every frame
20 //so we only capture one frame when capture
21 //is set to true
22 if(capture){
23     output.beginEPS("test.png");
24 }
25
26 //do we want filled shapes
27 if(bFill)output.fill();
28 else output.noFill();
29
30
31 //-----
32 // some lines - lets make
33 //
34
35 int numX = ofGetWidth() /
36 int numY = ofGetHeight()
37
38 output.setColor(0xEEEEEE);
39
40 for(int y = 0; y < numY;
41     output.line(0, y * 10, 100, y * 10);
42 }
43
44 for(int x = 0; x < numX;
45     output.line(x * 10, 0, x * 10, 100);
46 }
47
48 //-----
49 // basic shapes
50 //
51
52
53 //a - draw a triangle
54 ofSetColor(0xCC0000);
55 ofDrawBitmapString("a triangle()", 65, 140);
56
57 output.setColor(0x000000);
58 output.triangle(0, 110, 110, 50, 140, 110);
59
```

Overlaid on the code is a window titled 'ps: 10.25.12' showing a rendered image of a dark field with many small, bright cyan dots, resembling a star field or a particle simulation.

The right sidebar shows the 'Identity and Type' panel with the following information:

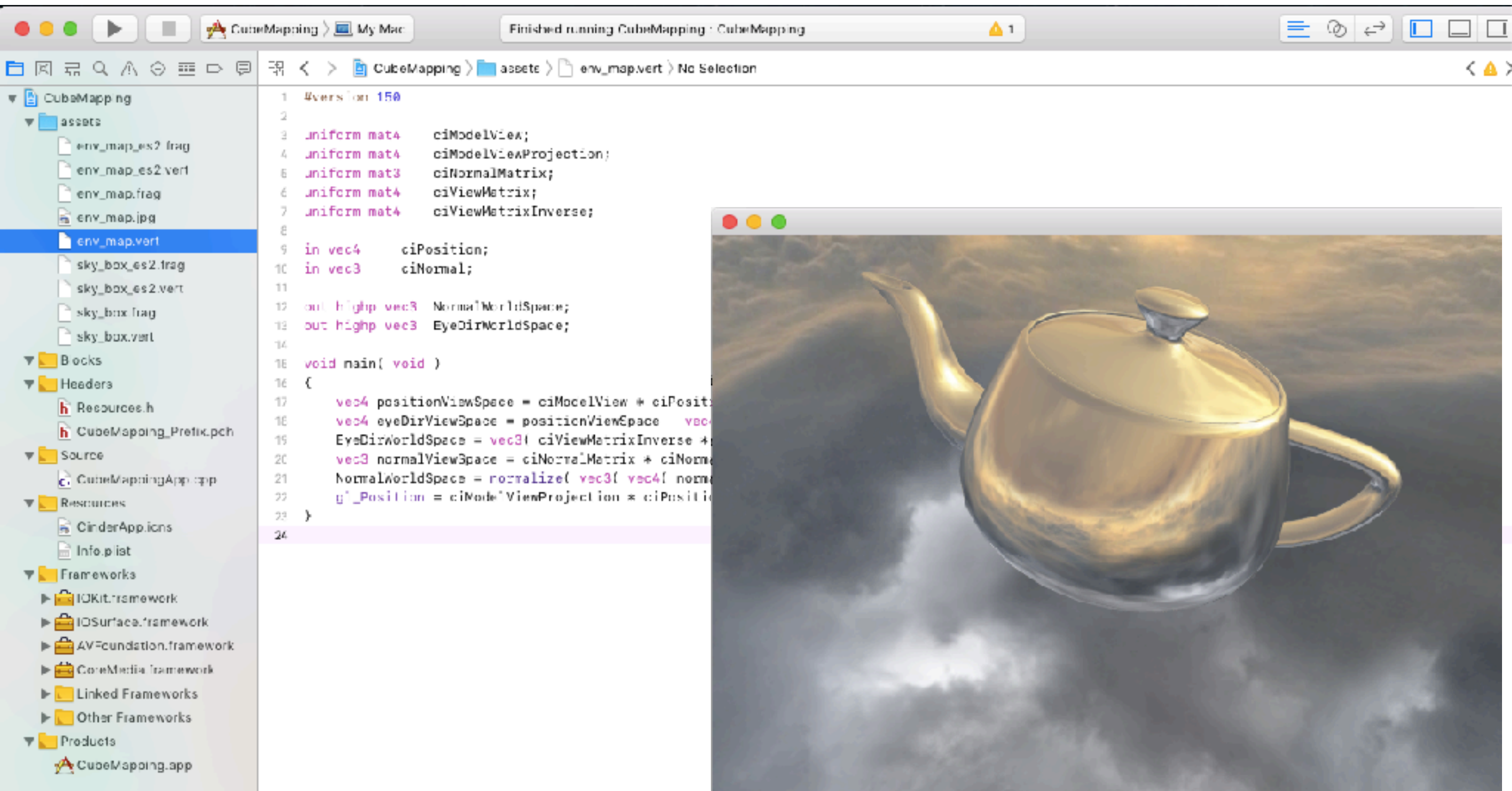
- Name: ofApp.cpp
- Type: C++ Source
- Location: Relative to Project

At the bottom right, there is a 'Unit Test Case Class' panel with the text: 'Unit Test Case Class - A class implementing a unit test:'.

Cinder

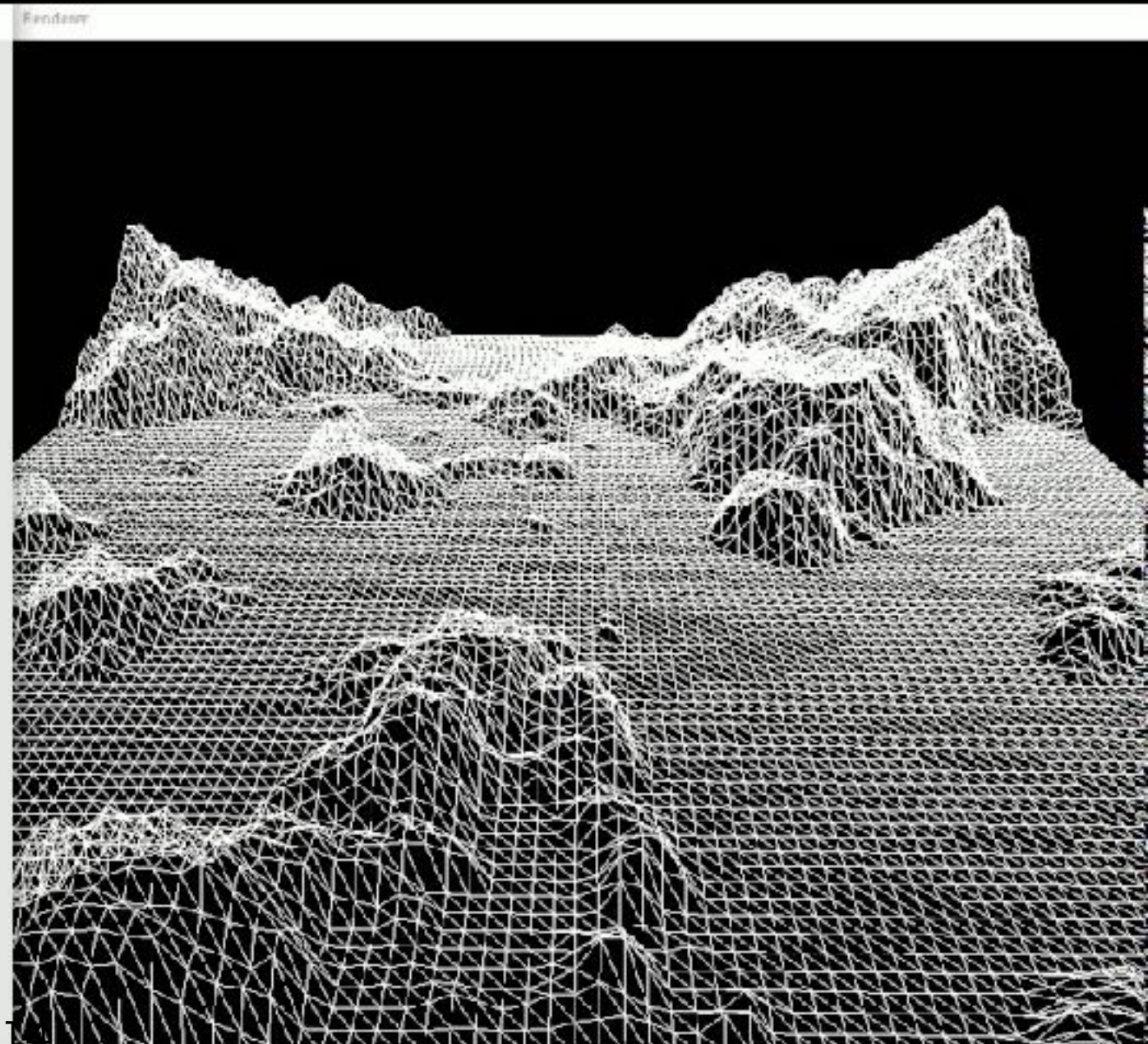
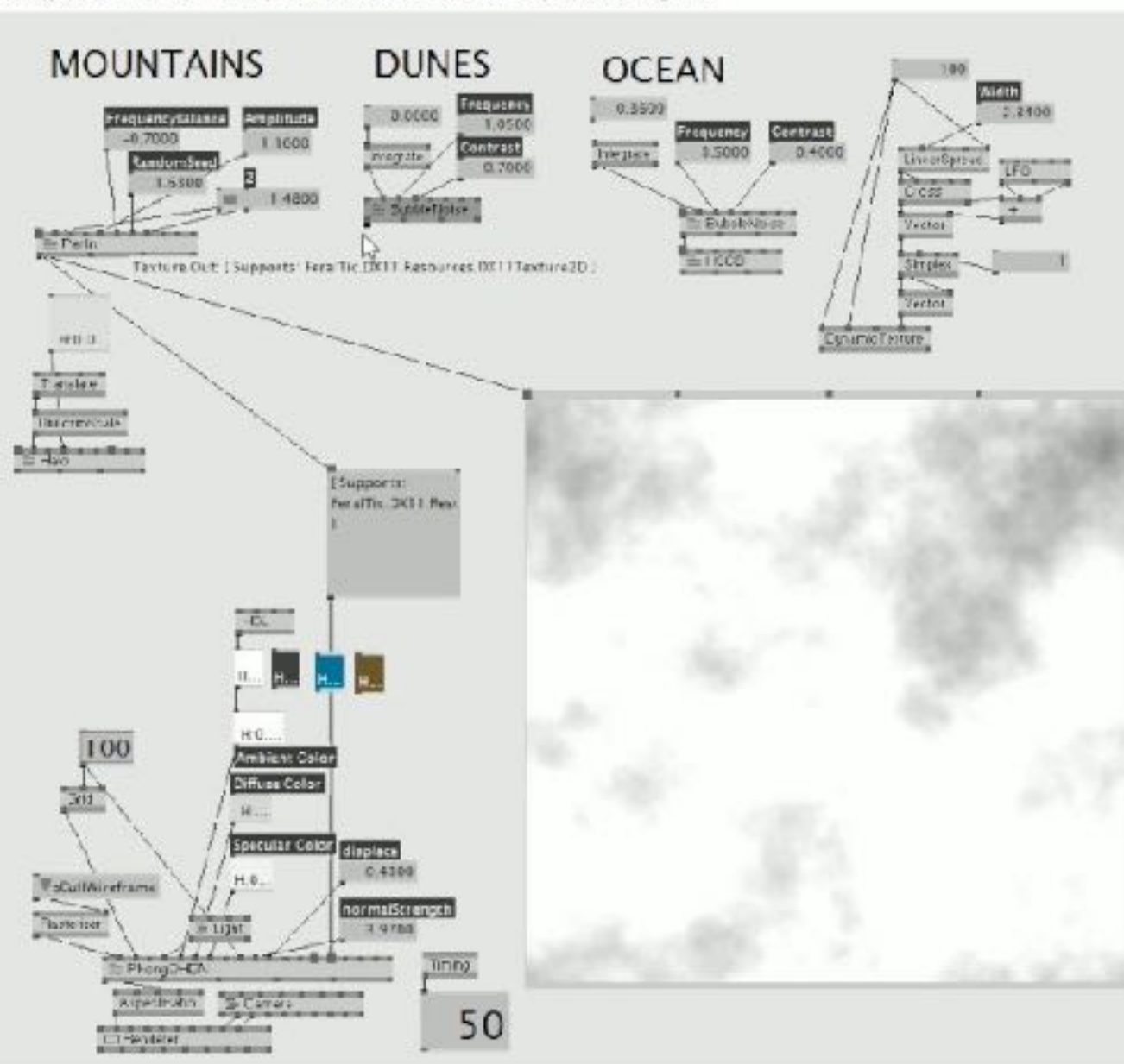
(2010– / C++)

An open-source programming library designed to give the **C++** language advanced visualization abilities. Cinder, combined with the speed provided by C++, makes the library more appropriate **for heavily abstracted projects**, including art installations, commercial campaigns and other advanced animation work.



VVVV (1998- / dataflow programming)

a general purpose toolkit with a special focus on **real-time video synthesis** and programming large media environments with physical interfaces, real-time motion graphics, audio and video.
It only runs on **Windows OS**.



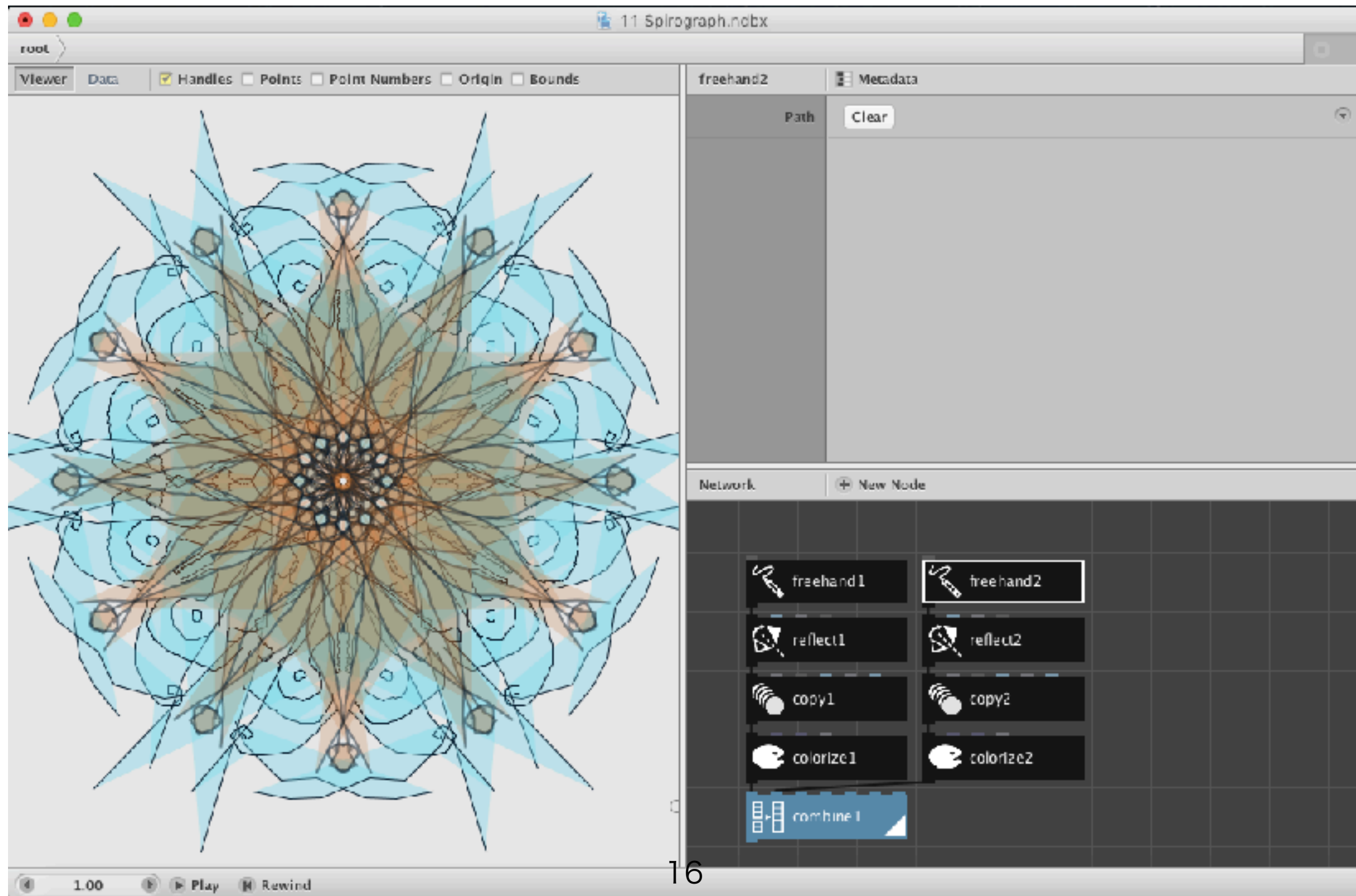
NodeBox

(1998- / Python or dataflow)

Using its node-based interface, NodeBox makes **generative design easily without coding**. The result is like Processing.



NodeBox



supercollider

(1998– / supercollider)

An language and IDE for **real-time audio synthesis** and algorithmic composition, which provides a framework for acoustic research, algorithmic music, interactive programming and **live coding**.



SuperCollider

Modal Space.scd

```
1
2
3 {
4 // modal space
5 // mouse x controls discrete pitch in dorian mode
6 var scale, buffer;
7 scale = FloatArray[0, 2, 3.2, 5, 7, 9, 10]; // dorian scale
8 buffer = Buffer.alloc(s, scale.size, 1, {|b| b.setnMsg(0, scale) });
9 {
10   var mix;
11   mix =
12     // lead tone
13     SinOsc.ar(
14       (
15         DegreeToKey.kr(
16           buffer.bufnum,
17           MouseX.kr(0,15), // mouse indexes into scale
18           12, // 12 notes per octave
19           1, // mul = 1
20           72 // offset by 72 notes
21         )
22         + LFNoise1.kr([3,3], 0.04) // add some low freq stereo detuning
23       ).midicps, // convert midi notes to hertz
24       0,
25       0.1]
26
27 // drone 5ths
28 + RLPF.ar(LFPulse.ar([48,55].midicps, 0.15),
29   SinOsc.kr(0.1, 0, 10, 72).midicps, 0.1, 0.1);
30
31 // add some 70's euro-space-rock echo
32 CombN.ar(mix, 0.31, 0.31, 2, 1, mix)
33 }.play
34 }
35
```

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The stuff within the curly brackets is what will get executed each time you reuse, or evaluate the Function. Note that this is written like an equation, i.e. `f = {...}`. This is not an equation in the mathematical sense, it's what's called an assignment. Basically it allows me to name the Function I've created, by storing it in a variable called `f`. A variable is just a name representing a slot in which we can store things, such as a Function, a number, a list, etc. Execute the following lines one at a time and watch the post window:

```
f = { "Function evaluated".postln; };
f;
```

Both times it should say 'a Function'. Now whenever we want to refer to our Function we can just use the letter `f`. That's in fact what makes it reusable! Otherwise we'd need to type the Function in every time.

So how do we reuse it? Execute the following lines one at a time and watch the post window:

```
f = { "Function evaluated".postln; };
f.value;
f.value;
f.value;
```

Our Function is an object, (i.e. a thing that does something or represents

Post window

Auto Scroll

Shared memory server interface initialized
-> Synth('temp__0' : 1000)
-> Synth('temp__1' : 1001)
-> Synth('temp__2' : 1002)
-> Synth('temp__3' : 1003)
-> Synth('temp__4' : 1004)
-> an EventStreamPlayer
-> Synth('temp__5' : 1006)

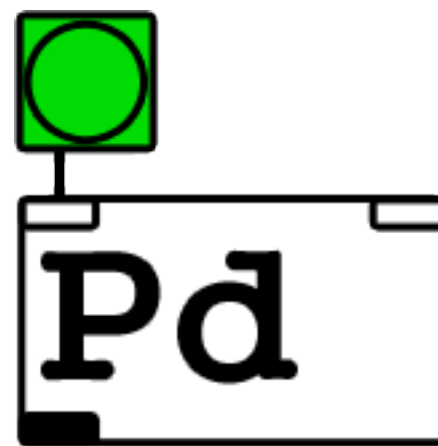
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Interpreter: Active Server: 0.86% 1.37% 34u 1s 2g 112d 0.0dB

Pure-Data/Purr-Data (1996– / dataflow programming)

A visual programming language developed by Miller Puckette, for creating **interactive computer music** and multimedia works.

→ Non-opensource version is called **Max**.



FILTERS

BP FILTER SECTION

Bass

dry_wet

cutoff

0

Snare

cry_vet

cutoff

0

Hi-Hat

dry_wet

cutoff

0

CMDG.pd

Compact MIDI Drum Generator for PD

Start-stop ☒ MIDI Channel Tempo original ☒ left ☐

Arpeggiator

BASS C1

Mute

16

32

1

SNARE E1

Mute

8

16

32

3

both

0

16

32

3

HI-HAT D1

Speed Range

Mute

Random 16th Offset

Manual

Fast 8th

Manual Speed

pd engine

pd LOAD_Samples

<-get samples

LOAD_Samples

Pick a sample with Open
Disable mono for stereo samples

BASS Drum

Open

volume

pan

Attack

Sustain

Release

Volume

SNARE Drum

Open

volume

pan

Attack

Sustain

Release

Volume

HI-HAT

Open

volume

pan

Attack

Sustain

Release

Volume

pd FILTERS

<-click for filters

pd open_samples

pd record

pd play_samples

voice3

BASS Drum depends on the SNARE Drum to play by using its delayed output trigger

left shift 1-6 for factoring by 2

Whole note delay is divided a bit randomly and then delayed once more out of by an 8th note or not a (mod 2 counter at upper)

Some delays ca

engine

SNARE DRUM	CLOSED HI-HAT	BASS DRUM
pd voicec1	pd voice2	pd voice3
pd MIDI_voicec1	pd MIDI_voice2	pd MIDI_voice3

pd startup | pd interval | pd clocks | pd arpeggiation

Be sure you have the MLib external at <http://www.pagefall.com/pd/mjLib.zip>

voice2

random hats togg

hat range 1

spigot

random

rs_sl

rs_slp

loadbang

clock_8th

mod 5

expr 1-\$f1

spigot

mute_h

pd hat_min_clk

expr 1-\$f1

midicv2

Examples of Media Art (deleted for IP matter)

Processing's system

Basic syntax

- Mainly, Processing uses **Java** language to code.
- There are several modes which allows you to code with different language: processing.py, processing.js, p5.js...
- Just like **Arduino**, it is constituted with two main functions: setup() and draw().

void setup()

- executed **one time** when you run the code.

e.g.

Instantiation of class (c = new PVector(v);)

size(), background(), noLoop(), blendMode(),
frameRate(), fill(), stroke(), strokeWeight()...etc.

void draw()

- executed at every frame (default=30)

ellipse(), rect(), line(), point(), box(), sphere()...etc

- If you want to make it run only one time, use
noLoop().

Example 1:

Simple Motion Simulation

Example #1.1

```
void setup () {  
  size(200, 200); // define size of window  
  background(255); //background draw  
  stroke(1); //color of stroke  
  strokeWeight(1); //width of stroke  
  fill(140, 20); //define the color of object  
}
```

```
void draw () {  
  ellipse(width/2, height/2, 30, 30);  
}
```



sketch_190523b

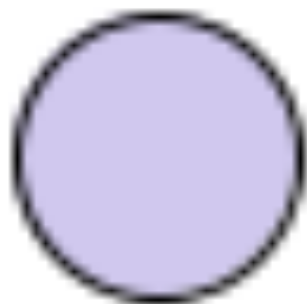


Example #1.2

```
float xpos = 0;
float ypos = 0;
float xspeed = 8;
float yspeed = 6;

void setup () {
  size(200, 200);
  frameRate(30);
  fill(100, 40, 200,
  70);
  smooth();
}
```

```
void draw () {
  background(255);
  ellipse(xpos, ypos, 30, 30);
  xpos = xpos + xspeed;
  ypos = ypos + yspeed;
  if (xpos > 200 || xpos < 0) {
    xspeed = xspeed * -1;
  }
  if (ypos > 200 || ypos < 0) {
    yspeed = yspeed * -1;
  }
}
```



Example #1.3

```
float xpos = 0;
float ypos = 0;
float xspeed = 8;
float yspeed = 6;
float radius = 30;

void setup () {
  size(200, 200);
  frameRate(30);
fill(100, 40, 200,
70);
  smooth();
  noStroke();
}
```

```
void draw () {
  background(255);
  fill(255, 40)
  rect(0, 0, width, height);
  fill(100, 40, 200, 70);

  ellipse(xpos, ypos, radius,
radius);
  xpos = xpos + xspeed;
  ypos = ypos + yspeed;
  if (xpos > width || xpos < 0) {
    xspeed = xspeed * -1;
  }
  if (ypos > height || ypos < 0) {
    yspeed = yspeed * -1;
  }
}
```

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sketch_190523a



Example #1.4 (1)

```
float xpos = 100.0;
float ypos = 100.0;
float radius = 15.0;
float speedX = 8.0;
float speedY = 6.0;
int directionX = 1;
int directionY = -1;
float racket = 250;

void setup() {
  size(500, 500);
  smooth();
  noStroke();
  ellipseMode(RADIUS);
  frameRate(60);
}
```

Example #1.4 (2)

```
void draw() {  
    fill(255, 120);  
    rect(0, 0, width, height);  
    fill(100);  
    ellipse(xpos, ypos, radius, radius);  
  
    xpos += speedX * directionX;  
    if ((xpos > width-radius) || (xpos < radius)) {  
        directionX = -directionX;  
    }  
    ypos += speedY * directionY;  
    if ((ypos > height-radius) || (ypos < radius)) {  
        directionY = -directionY;  
    }  
    [...]
```

Example #1.4 (3)

```
rect (racket, 450, 100, 10); //drawing racket
if (keyPressed) {
    if (keyCode == RIGHT) {
        racket = racket + 20;
        if (racket > width - 100) racket = width - 100;
    }
    if (keyCode == LEFT) {
        racket = racket - 20;
        if (racket < 0) racket = 0;
    }
}
if ((racket < xpos) && (racket + 100 > xpos) && (ypos <
450) && (ypos > 440) ) {
    directionY = -directionY;
}
speedX += 0.001;
speedY += 0.001;
}
```



Example 2:
PVector & OOP
Motion simulation

class PVector

- This class is already installed.
- A PVector contains **(x, y) coordinate**. By using two, it allows to simulate motion.
 - function: **x.add(), x.sub(), x.mult(), x.div(), x.limit()...**etc

Example #2.1 (1)

```
class Mover {  
  
    PVector location;  
    PVector velocity;  
  
    Mover() {  
        location = new  
PVector(random(width),  
random(height));  
        velocity = new  
PVector(random(-2, 2),  
random(-2, 2));  
    }  
  
    void update() {  
        location.add(velocity);  
    }  
}
```

```
    void display() {  
        stroke(0);  
        fill(175);  
        ellipse(location.x,  
location.y, 48, 48);  
    }  
  
    void checkEdges() {  
        if (location.x > width) {  
            location.x = 0;  
        } else if (location.x < 0) {  
            location.x = width;  
        }  
        if (location.y > height) {  
            location.y = 0;  
        } else if (location.y < 0) {  
            location.y = height;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

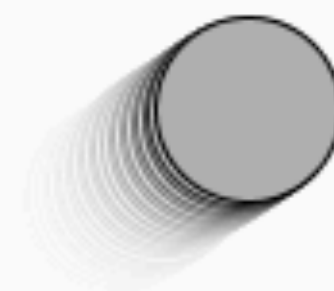
Example #2.1 (2)

```
Mover mover;
```

```
void setup() {  
    size(640, 360);  
    mover = new Mover();  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
    fill(255, 40);  
    noStroke();  
    rect(0, 0, width, height);  
    mover.update();  
    mover.checkEdges();  
    mover.display();  
}
```


ex3



Example #2.2 (1)

```
class Mover {  
  
    PVector location;  
    PVector velocity;  
    PVector acceleration;  
    float topspeed;  
  
    Mover() {  
        location = new  
PVector(random(width), random(height));  
        velocity = new PVector(random(-2,  
2), random(-2, 2));  
        topspeed = 10;  
    }  
  
    void update() {  
        PVector mouse = new PVector(mouseX,  
mouseY);  
        PVector dir = PVector.sub(mouse,  
location);  
  
        dir.normalize();  
        dir.mult(0.8);
```

```
        acceleration = dir;  
  
        velocity.add(acceleration);  
        velocity.limit(topspeed);  
        location.add(velocity);  
    } void display() {  
        stroke(0);  
        fill(175);  
        ellipse(location.x, location.y, 48, 48);  
    }  
  
    void checkEdges() {  
        if (location.x > width) {  
            location.x = 0;  
        } else if (location.x < 0) {  
            location.x = width;  
        }  
        if (location.y > height) {  
            location.y = 0;  
        } else if (location.y < 0) {  
            location.y = height;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Example #2.2 (2)

```
Mover mover;  
  
void setup() {  
    size(640, 360);  
    mover = new Mover();  
}  
  
void draw() {  
    noStroke();  
    fill(255, 40);  
    rect(0, 0, width, height);  
  
    mover.update();  
    mover.checkEdges();  
    mover.display();  
}
```

Example #2.3

```
Mover[] movers = new Mover[20];

void setup() {
  size(640, 360);
  for (int i = 0; i < movers.length; i++) {
    movers[i] = new Mover();
  }
}

void draw() {
  //background(255);
  noStroke();
  fill(255, 40);
  rect(0, 0, width, height);
  for (int i = 0; i < movers.length; i++) {
    movers[i].update();
    movers[i].checkEdges();
    movers[i].display();
  }
}
```

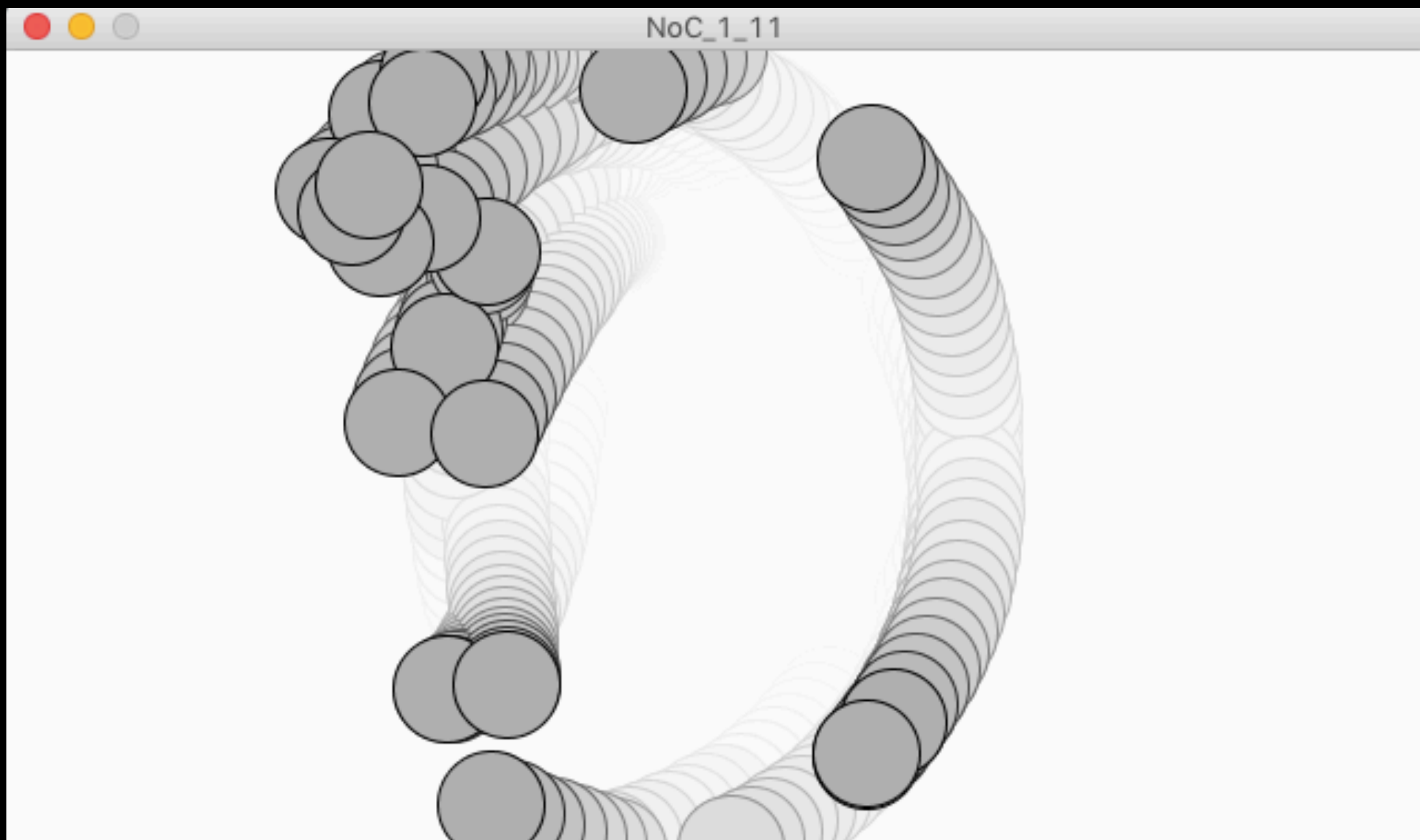
Example #2.4 (1)

```
Mover m;
Attractor a;

void setup(){
  size(640, 360);
  //fullScreen();
  background(255);
  smooth();
  frameRate(60);
  m = new Mover();
  a = new Attractor();
}

void draw(){
  //background(255);
  /*noStroke();
  fill(255, 40);
  rect(0,0, width, height);
  */
  PVector force = a.attract(m);
  m.applyForce(force);
  m.update();

  a.display();
  m.display();
}
```



Example #2.4 (1)

```
class Mover {  
  
    PVector location;  
    PVector velocity;  
    PVector acceleration;  
  
    float mass;  
  
    Mover() {  
        location = new PVector(400, 50);  
        velocity = new PVector(1, 0);  
        acceleration = new PVector(0, 0);  
        mass = 1;  
    }  
  
    void applyForce(PVector force) {  
        PVector f = PVector.div(force,  
mass);  
        acceleration.add(f); //kasokudo +  
force  
    }  
  
    void update() {  
        velocity.add(acceleration);  
        location.add(velocity);
```

```
        acceleration.mult(0); //clearing the  
acceleration each time  
    }  
  
    void display() {  
        stroke(2);  
        fill(215);  
        ellipse(location.x, location.y, 16,  
16);  
    }  
  
    void checkEdges() {  
        if (location.x > width) {  
            location.x = 0;  
        } else if (location.x < 0) {  
            location.x = width;  
        }  
        if (location.y > height) {  
            velocity.y *= -1;  
            location.y = height;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Example #2.4 (2)

```
class Attractor {
    float mass;
    PVector location;
    float G;

    Attractor() {
        location = new
PVector(width/2, height/2);
        mass = 20;
        G = 0.4;
    }

    void display() {
        stroke(0);
        fill(175, 200);
        ellipse(location.x,
location.y, mass*2, mass*2);
    }
}
```

```
    PVector attract(Mover m) {
        PVector force =
PVector.sub(location,
m.location);
        float distance =
force.mag();
        distance =
constrain(distance, 5.0, 25.0);
        force.normalize();
        float strength = (G * mass *
m.mass) / (distance * distance);
        force.mult(strength);
        return force;
    }
}
```

Example #2.4 (3)

```
Mover m;  
Attractor a;  
  
void setup(){  
    size(640, 360);  
    background(255);  
    m = new Mover();  
    a = new Attractor();  
}  
  
void draw(){  
    /*noStroke();  
    fill(255, 40);  
    rect(0,0, width, height);  
    */  
    PVector force = a.attract(m);  
    m.applyForce(force);  
    m.update();  
  
    a.display();  
    m.display();  
}
```

example2_4

