



# Programming Fundamentals 1

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# Introduction to Processing

More on writing your own Methods

## More on Methods



return types · params ·  
recursion



# Agenda

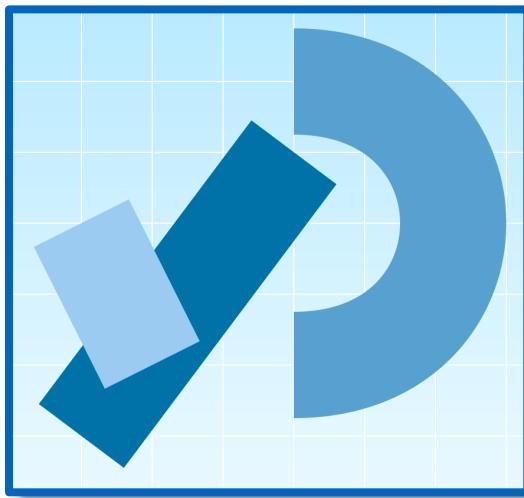
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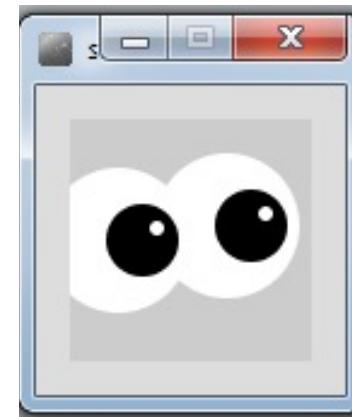
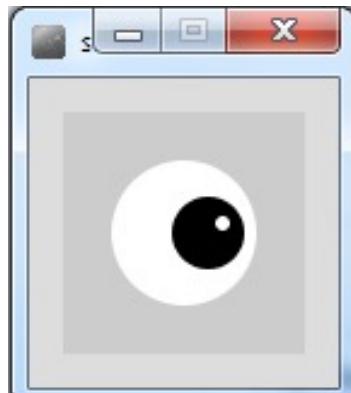
- ❑ Method example: Eyes
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- ❑ Overloading methods.
  
- ❑ Method example: Celcius / Farenheit Converter.
  
- ❑ Recursion.



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# Method example: Eyes

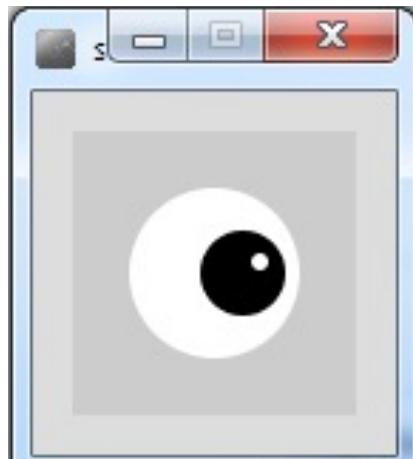






# Example 6.1 – Drawing a single eye

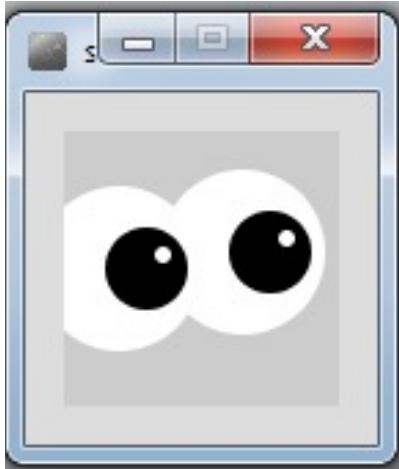
```
void setup()
{
    size(100,100);
    noStroke();
}
```



```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    fill(255);
    ellipse(50,50,60,60);
    //outer white circle
    fill(0);
    ellipse(50+10, 50, 30, 30);
    //black circle
    fill(255);
    ellipse(50+16, 46, 6, 6);
    //small, white circle
}
```



# What if we wanted to draw two eyes?

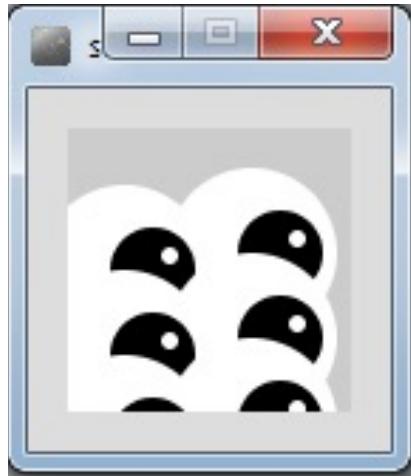


Each eye takes six lines of code to draw.

```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    //Right eye
    fill(255);
    ellipse(65,44,60,60);      //outer white circle
    fill(0);
    ellipse(65+10, 44, 30, 30); //black circle
    fill(255);
    ellipse(65+16, 44-5, 6, 6); //small, white circle
    //Left eye
    fill(255);
    ellipse(20,50,60,60);      //outer white circle
    fill(0);
    ellipse(20+10, 50, 30, 30); //black circle
    fill(255);
    ellipse(20+16, 50-5, 6, 6); //small, white circle
}
```



# What if we wanted to draw six eyes?



Are we going to repeat  
the six lines of code SIX  
times?

What if we wanted to  
draw 100 eyes?

→ 600 lines of code!

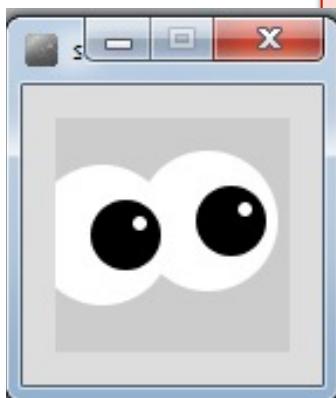


## Example 6.2 – Drawing two eyes

```
void setup()
{
    size(100,100);
    noStroke();
}
```

```
void eye (int x, int y)
{
    fill(255);
    ellipse(x,y,60,60); //outer white circle
    fill(0);
    ellipse(x+10, y, 30, 30); //black circle
    fill(255);
    ellipse(x+16, y-5, 6, 6); //small, white circle
}
```

```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    eye(65,44);
    eye(20,50);
}
```





# Example 6.3 – Drawing six eyes

```
void setup()
{
    size(100,100);
    noStroke();
}
```

```
void eye (int x, int y)
{
    fill(255);
    ellipse(x,y,60,60); //outer circle
    fill(0);
    ellipse(x+10, y, 30, 30); //black circle
    fill(255);
    ellipse(x+16, y-5, 6, 6); //small, white circle
}
```

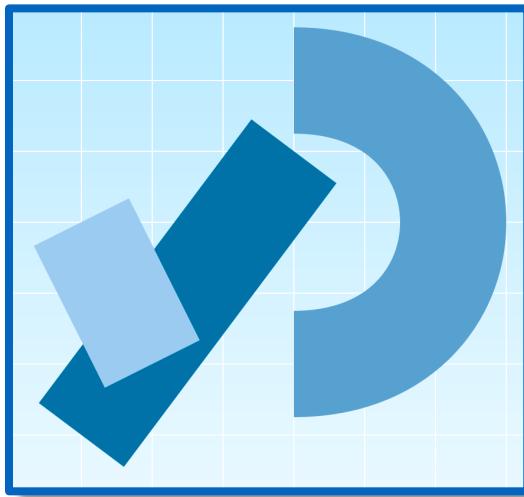


```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    eye(65,44);
    eye(20,50);
    eye(65,74);
    eye(20,80);
    eye(65,104);
    eye(20,110);
}
```



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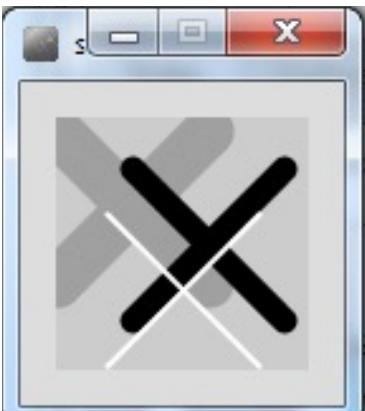
# Method example: X's





# How about this solution?

```
void setup() {  
    size(100,100);  
}
```



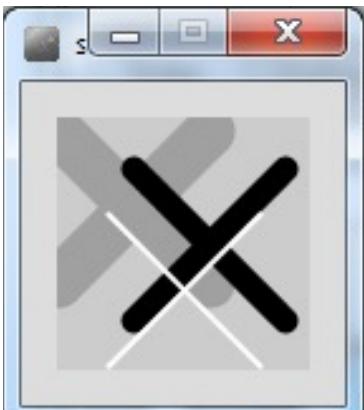
```
void draw(){  
    background(204);  
    //draw thick, light gray x  
    stroke(160);  
    strokeWeight(20);  
    line(0,5,60,65);  
    line(60,5,0,65);  
    //draw medium, black x  
    stroke(0);  
    strokeWeight(10);  
    line(30,20,90,80);  
    line(90,20,30,80);  
    //draw thin, white x  
    stroke(255);  
    strokeWeight(2);  
    line(20,38,80,98);  
    line(80,38,20,98);  
}
```



# Code duplication



```
//draw thick, light gray x  
stroke(160);  
strokeWeight(20);  
line(0,5,60,65);  
line(60,5,0,65);
```



```
//draw medium, black x  
stroke(0);  
strokeWeight(10);  
line(30,20,90,80);  
line(90,20,30,80);
```

```
//draw thin, white x  
stroke(255);  
strokeWeight(2);  
line(20,38,80,98);  
line(80,38,20,98);
```



# A solution with methods

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- We will incrementally build a solution that uses methods to produce this output...





# Example 6.4 – a method to draw a thick, light gray X



```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    drawX();
}
```

```
void drawX()
{
    stroke(160);
    strokeWeight(20);
    line(0,5,60,65);
    line(60,5,0,65);
}
```



# Example 6.5 – drawing a thick X, passing colour as a parameter



```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    drawX(0);
}
```

```
void drawX (int gray)
{
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(20);
    line(0,5,60,65);
    line(60,5,0,65);
}
```



# Example 6.6 – drawing X, passing colour and weight.

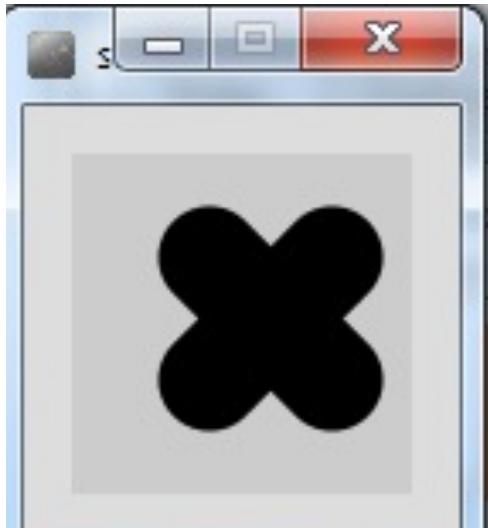


```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    drawX(0, 30);
}
```

```
void drawX (int gray, int weight)
{
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(weight);
    line(0,5,60,65);
    line(60,5,0,65);
}
```



## Example 6.7 – drawing X, passing colour, weight, position, size



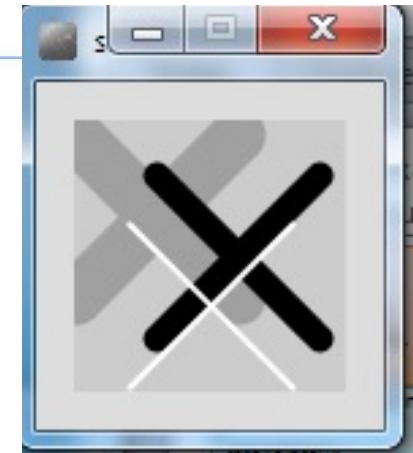
```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    drawX(0, 30, 40, 30, 36);
}
```

```
void drawX (int gray, int weight,
int x, int y, int size)
{
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(weight);
    line(x, y, x+size, y+size);
    line(x+size, y, x, y+size);
}
```

# Example 6.8 – drawing multiple Xs



```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    drawX(160, 20, 0, 5, 60);
    drawX(0, 10, 30, 20, 60);
    drawX(255, 2, 20, 38, 60);
}
```



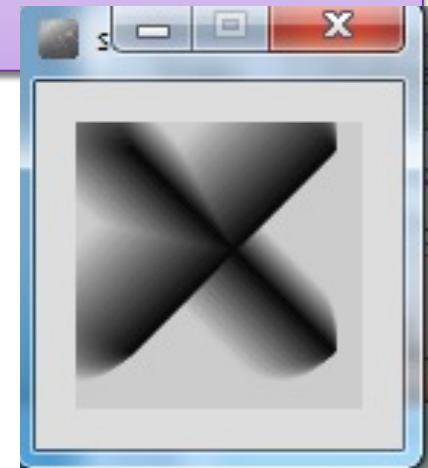
```
void drawX (int gray, int weight, int x, int y, int size)
{
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(weight);
    line(x, y, x+size, y+size);
    line(x+size, y, x, y+size);
}
```



# Example 6.9 – drawing multiple Xs using a for loop

```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++){
        drawX(200-i*10, (20-i)*2, i, i/2, 70);
    }
}
```

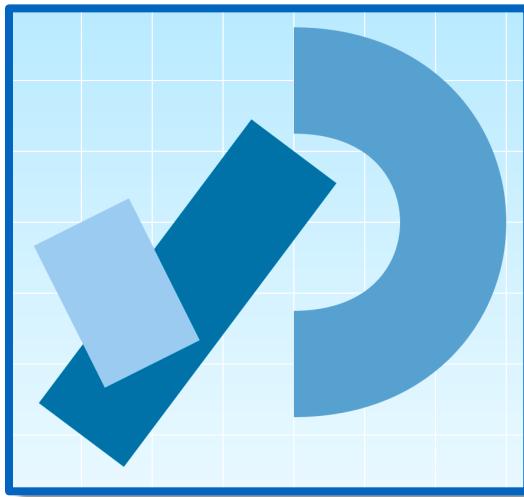
```
void drawX(int gray, int weight, int x,
int y, int size)
{
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(weight);
    line(x, y, x+size, y+size);
    line(x+size, y, x, y+size);
}
```





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# Overloading Methods





# Overloaded methods

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- Multiple methods can have the **same name**, once they have a **different parameter list**.
- In the previous examples, we wrote the following methods:
  - `void drawX ()`
  - `void drawX (int gray)`
  - `void drawX (int gray, int weight)`
  - `void drawX (int gray, int weight, int x, int y, int size)`



# Overloaded methods

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- In the previous examples, we wrote the following methods:

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- void drawX (int gray)
- void drawX (int gray, int weight)
- void drawX (int gray, int weight, int x, int y, int size)

Same Name

Different Parameter List



# Overloaded methods

Method signature	Parameter List
void drawX ()	no parameter
void drawX (int gray)	int
void drawX (int gray, int weight)	int, int
void drawX (int gray, int weight, int x, int y, int size)	int, int, int, int, int



# Overloaded methods

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- A program can have two or more methods with the same name, only if their parameter list is different.
  
- When Java is checking that a parameter list is different, it is not checking the name of the variables, it is **checking the data type** of the variables  
e.g. this is permitted as the **data type is different**:

- `void drawX ( int gray)`
- `void drawX ( float gray)`

Data types must be different

# Overloaded methods



```
void draw()
{
    background(204);
    drawX(0);
}
```

Which `drawX`  
method is called  
and why?

```
void drawX(int gray){
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(5);
    line(0,5,60,65);
    line(60,5,0,65);
}
```

```
void drawX(float gray){
    stroke(gray);
    strokeWeight(20);
    line(0,5,60,65);
    line(60,5,0,65);
}
```



# Overloaded methods

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- When you call a method, Java **matches** the number and type of the arguments you passed to the method with all the declared methods.
- When a match is found, Java invokes that method e.g.

**drawX(0)** calls void drawX (int gray)

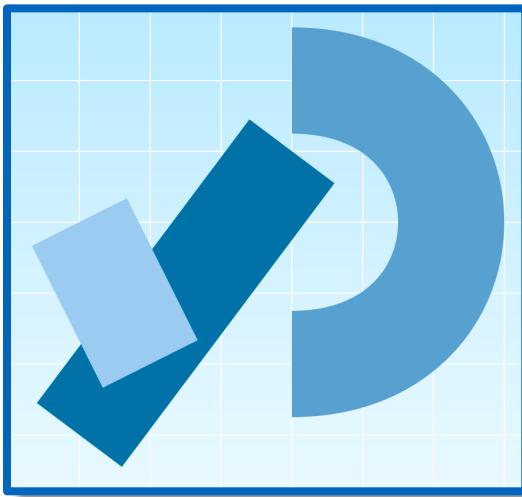
**drawX(0.0)** calls void drawX (float gray)



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# Method example:

## Celcius / Farenheit Converter





# Example 6.10 – Fahrenheit to Celsius

```
void setup()
{
    float celsius = farenheitToCelsius (451.0);
    println("Celsius value is: " + celsius);
}
```

Farenheit  
value is  
hardcoded  
as a literal

Return  
type

```
float farenheitToCelsius (float farenheit)
{
    float result = (farenheit - 32.0) * (5.0/9.0);
    return result;
}
```



# Example 6.10 – Farenheit to Celsius

```
void setup()
{
    float celsius = farenheitToCelsius (451.0);
    println("Celsius value is: " + celsius);
}
```

Farenheit  
value is  
hardcoded  
as a literal

Celsius value is: 232.77779

```
float farenheitToCelsius (float farenheit)
{
    float result = (farenheit - 32.0) * (5.0/9.0);
    return result;
}
```

# Example 6.10 – Updated



```
float farenheitToCelsius (float farenheit)
{
    float result = (farenheit - 32.0) * (5.0/9.0);
    return result;
}
```

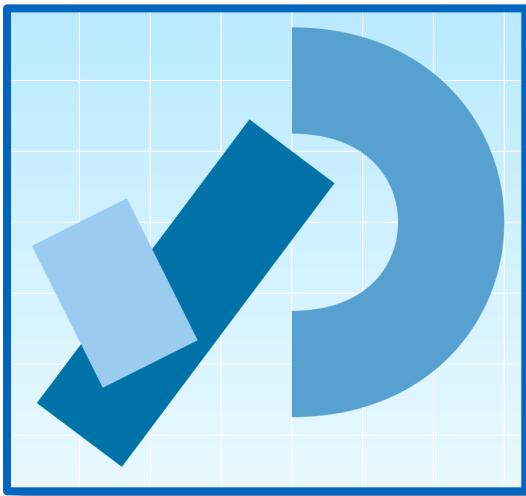
both  
methods  
are  
exactly  
the same

```
float farenheitToCelsius (float farenheit)
{
    return (farenheit - 32.0) * (5.0/9.0);
}
```



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# Recursion





# Example 6.11 – drawLines – for loop



```
void setup()
{
    size(100,100);
    drawLines(10,4);
}
```

```
void drawLines (int xStart, int numLines)
{
    for (int i = 0; i < numLines; numLines--)
    {
        line (xStart, 20, xStart, 80);
        xStart += 5;
    }
}
```



# Example 6.11 – drawLines – for loop



```
void setup()
{
    size(100,100);
    drawLines(10,4);
}
```

```
void drawLines (int xStart, int numLines)
{
    for (int i = 0; i < numLines, numLines--)
    {
        line (xStart, 20, xStart, 80);
        xStart += 5;
    }
}
```

\*NOTE\*

instead of incrementing the  
loop control variable i as normal  
(e.g. i++)  
the condition is being reduced  
back to 0 (by decrementing  
numLines)



# Recursion

- ❑ A method can contain a line of code **that calls itself**
  - This is called recursion.

A screenshot of a Google search results page for the query "recursion". The search bar at the top shows the query. Below it, a row of buttons includes "Examples", "Formula", "Images", "In C", "Google", "In Python", "Java", "C++", and "How to pron". The main search results area displays the following information:  
About 198,000,000 results (0.35 seconds)  
Did you mean: **recursion**  
Recursion means "defining a problem in terms of itself". This can be a very powerful tool in writing algorithms. Recursion comes directly from Mathematics, where there are many examples of expressions written in terms of themselves. For example, the Fibonacci sequence is defined as:  
$$F(i) = F(i-1) + F(i-2)$$



# Recursion continued...

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- To stop the infinite calling of the method, it is necessary to have some way for the method to exit.
  - This is called the *base case*.
  - You continually work towards the base case.

# Example 6.11 – drawLines – recursion



```
void setup()
{
    size(100,100);
    drawLines(10,4);
}
```

```
void drawLines (int x, int num)
{
    line (x, 20, x, 80);
    if (num > 1)
    {
        drawLines (x+5, num-1);
    }
}
```

# Example 6.11

```
void drawLines (int x, int num){  
    line (x, 20, x, 80);  
    if (num > 1)  
    {  
        drawLines (x+5, num-1);  
    }  
}
```

drawLines (10, 4);  
line (10, 20, 10, 80);  
x=10, num=4 (is > 1)

drawLines (15, 3);  
line (15, 20, 15, 80);  
x=15, num=3 (is > 1)

drawLines (20, 2);  
line (20, 20, 20, 80);  
x=20, num=2 (is > 1)

drawLines (25, 1);  
line (25, 20, 25, 80);  
x=25, num=1 (is NOT > 1)

Successive  
Method Calls

Having reached the base case, return  
back up the call stack to the original call

Base  
case  
met



# Summary

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1. Method example: Eyes
2. Method example: X's
3. Overloading methods
4. Method example: Celcius / Fahrenheit Converter
5. Recursion



# Questions?

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# References

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Thanks.

