Interaction

Active Sketches

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 in an active sketch, things change (or have the potential to change) over time

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Static Sketches

- in a static sketch, nothing changes over time
- a static sketch in Processing is just a list of statements, executed from top to bottom – each statement is executed once
 - template
 - // open window // clear the background
 - // draw stuff

- example

size(200,200); background(255); rectMode(CENTER); ellipseMode(CENTER); fill(255,0,0); rect(100,100,100,100); fill(0,0,255); ellipse(150,150,50,50);

Time in Processing

- time in the real world is continuous
- time in Processing is discrete
 - an active sketch consists of a series of $\ensuremath{\textit{frames}}$ drawn one after the other

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In *interaction*, the changes over time are driven by user actions.

- mouse or keyboard actions

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In *animation*, the changes over time are driven (only) by the passage of time.

A sketch can include both interaction and animation at the same time.

Comparison – Static vs Active static active size(200,200); void setup () { background(255); size(200,200); rectMode(CENTER): 3 ellipseMode(CENTER); fill(255,0,0); void draw () { rect(100,100,100,100); background(255); fill(0.0.255): rectMode(CENTER); ellipse(150,150,50,50); ellipseMode(CENTER); fill(255,0,0); rect(100,100,100,100); fill(0,0,255); ellipse(150.150.50.50): 3 CPSC 120: Principles of Computer Science • Fall 2024

Variables

In a static sketch, the position, size, and color of each shape is hardcoded. fill(255,0,0); rect(100,100,100,100);

• changing the value means changing the code itself and running the program again

For values that change over time, we need variables.

- a variable is a name which has an associated value
 - can be thought of as a box which can hold one value at a time
- when a statement containing the name of a variable is executed, the computer looks up and substitutes in the current value of the variable



Mouse Position

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The current position of the mouse is represented by the system variables mouseX and mouseY.

// draw a rectangle whose upper left corner is at the // mouse's current position rectMode(CORNER); rect(mouseX,mouseY,50,50);



Handling Events

Mouse clicks and key presses are *events* – user-initiated things that happen at some moment in time.

Fill in the body of an *event handler* function to specify what to do when a given kind of event occurs.

- system calls the appropriate function when that type of event happens
- statements in the function body are executed from top to bottom

<pre>void mouseClicked () { } void mousePressed () { } void mouseReleased () { }</pre>	void keyPressed () { }
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