

Variables, values,
expressions

warm-up: smile



Grab a partner and do
exercise: smile
(lecture 1 notes)

[`http://processingjs.org/reference/ellipse\(\), rect\(\), fill\(\), stroke\(\)`](http://processingjs.org/reference/ellipse(), rect(), fill(), stroke())

style: comments

```
1 // draw the outline of the face
2 fill(255, 255, 0); // set fill color to yellow
3 ellipse(100, 100, 100, 100);
4
5 // draw the eyes
6 fill(0, 0, 0); // set fill color to black
7 ellipse(100 - 20, 100 - 10, 10, 10);
8 ellipse(100 + 20, 100 - 10, 10, 10);
9
10 // draw the mouth
11 fill(255, 255, 0); // yellow
12 arc(100, 100 + 10, 50, 40, 0, PI);|
```

variables

```
1 var x; ← Declaration  
2  
3 x = 5; ← Assignment  
4  
5 print(x); ← Use of value
```

1. **Declare** the variable with **var**: reserve space in memory to store a value, and give it a name
2. **Assign a value** to the variable with **=**, copying a pattern of 0s and 1s to that location
3. **Use** the variable anywhere a value is needed.

values have types

```
1 var x;  
2 x = 5;  
3 print(x);
```

5 is a **number**.
x holds a **number**

```
1 var myName = "Inigo Montoya";  
2 print("My name is " + myName);
```

“Inigo Montoya” is a **string**.
myName holds a **string**.

Declaration and **assignment** can be combined.

values have types

```
1 var sayHello = function() {  
2     print( "I say hello." );  
3 };
```

sayHello is a **function**

```
1 print(true);  
2 print(false);  
3 var y = true;  
4 print(y);
```

true, **false**, and **y** are
boolean values

values have types

1. numbers (3.141592654, 7)
2. strings ("frog")
3. booleans (true, false)
4. functions (function() {...})

Always know what **type** of value every one of your variables holds.

variables change behaviors

```
1 // coordinates of the center of  
  the face:  
2 var x = 100;  
3 var y = 100;  
4  
5 // draw the outline of the face  
6 fill(255, 255, 0); // set fill  
  color to yellow  
7 ellipse(x, y, 100, 100);  
8  
9 // draw the eyes  
10 fill(0, 0, 0); // set fill color  
  to black  
11 ellipse(x - 20, y - 10, 10, 10);  
12 ellipse(x + 20, y - 10, 10, 10);  
13  
14 // draw the mouth  
15 fill(255, 255, 0); // yellow  
16 arc(x, y + 10, 50, 40, 0, PI);
```



variables change behaviors

```
▶
1 // coordinates of the center of
  the face:
2 var x = 200;
3 var y = 100;
4
5 // draw the outline of the face
6 fill(255, 255, 0); // set fill
  color to yellow
7 ellipse(x, y, 100, 100);
8
9 // draw the eyes
10 fill(0, 0, 0); // set fill color
   to black
11 ellipse(x - 20, y - 10, 10, 10);
12 ellipse(x + 20, y - 10, 10, 10);
13
14 // draw the mouth
15 fill(255, 255, 0); // yellow
16 arc(x, y + 10, 50, 40, 0, PI);
```



style: good variable names

```
1 var myName = "Inigo Montoya";  
2 print("My name is " + myName);
```

Good!

```
1 var x = "Balkcom";  
2 print(x);
```

Bad!

```
1 // coordinates of the center of the face:  
2 var x = 100;  
3 var y = 100;
```

Good!

Expressions and operators

```
1 var sum = 18 + 24;  
2 print(sum);
```

Expression

```
1 var sum = 18 + 24;  
2 print(sum);
```

Operator

```
1 var sum = 18 + 24;  
2 print(sum);
```

Operands

You can use anywhere a value is required:

```
1 print( (3 * 6) + 24 );
```

Number operators

+	addition	5 + 4	9
-	subtraction	5 - 19	-14
*	multiplication	3 * 6.2	18.6
/	division	19 / 5	3.8
%	modulus (remainder)	19 % 5	4

Style note: **always** surround operators with spaces.

Boolean operator: !

```
1 print(true);  
2 print(false);  
3 var x = true;  
4 print(x);  
5 print(!x);  
6 print (!!x);  
7
```

```
true  
false  
true  
false  
true
```

negation operator: takes one boolean operand, and flips it.

The assignment operator

Mathematics, equality sign: equation

$x = 5$ means “x is 5, forever”

– $x = 6$

Bogus!

$0 = 1$

Code, = is the **assignment operator**

```
1 x = 5;  
2 x = 6;  
3 print(x);
```

Copy value 5 into x

Copy value 6 into x

The assignment operator

```
1 var x;  
2 x = 5;  
3 x = x + 1;  
4 print(x);
```

Does line 3 mean
“x is the number 1 greater than itself”?

Animation



Animation: algorithm

1. Create variables with initial values (state)
2. Clear the screen
3. Draw picture using variables
4. Change variable values
5. Go back to step two.

You know how to do steps 1... 4

Animation: draw function

```
1 var x = 5;  
2 var y = 50;  
3  
4 var draw = function() {  
5     print("x = " + x);  
6  
7     // increase the value of x  
8     x = x + 1;  
9 };
```

This code should have no effect.

draw is a special function. The browser calls draw repeatedly. (Use it only for animation.)
Go run it in lecture 2 notes.

Exercise: moving smile

```
1 // create the variables
2 var x = 5;
3 var y = 50;
4
5 var draw = function() {
6     // clear the screen
7     // (your code now)
8
9     // draw the smiley using x and y:
10    // (your code now)
11
12
13    // increase the value of x by 1
14
15 };
```

Function calls are expressions



```
1 var x = Math.sqrt(25);  
2 var y = Math.pow(3, 2);  
3 print(Math.sqrt(25) / 6 + 19.0);
```

```
19.833333333333332
```

Converting between types



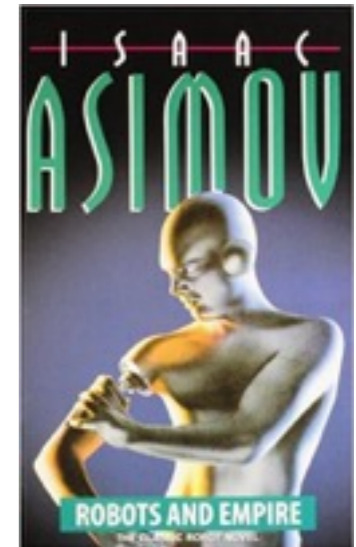
```
1 print( String(4) + String(2) );  
2 print( Number("4") + Number("2") );
```

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Robots and code


```
▶  
1 ▶ var simInit = function () {  
11  
12 // go forward four squares:  
13 forward();  
14 forward();  
15 forward();  
16 forward();
```

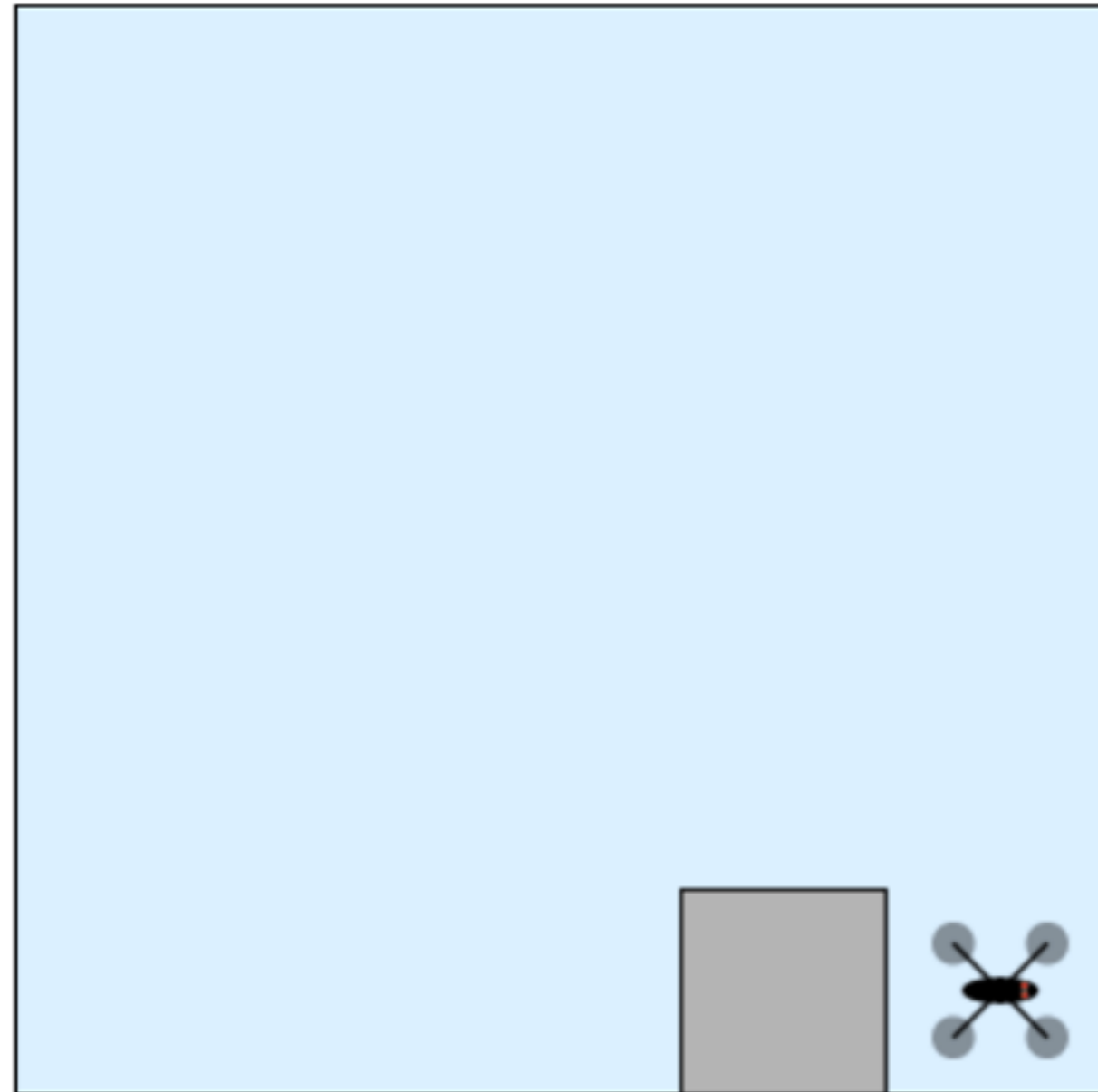


Run it now!



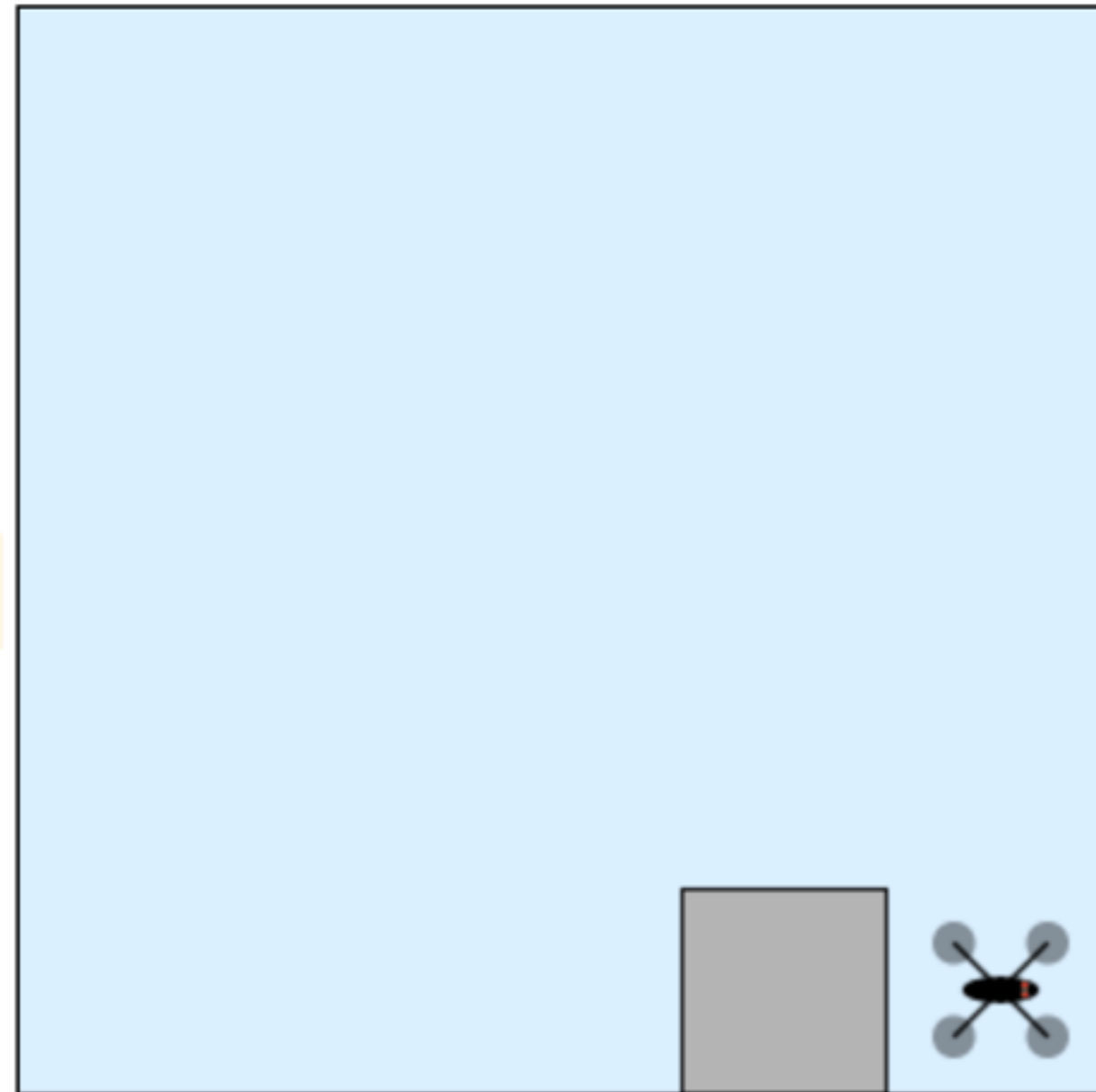
Robots and wall

```
1 ▶ var simInit = function () {}();  
11  
12 addWall(3, 0);  
13  
14 // go forward four squares:  
15 forward();  
16 forward();  
17 forward();  
18 forward();
```



Exercise: robot sensor

```
▶  
1 ▶ var simInit = function () {↔}();  
11  
12 addWall(3, 0);  
13  
14 forward();  
15 print(blocked());  
16 forward();  
17 forward();  
18 forward();  
false
```







Intro to while-loops

```
while(condition) {  
    // lines of code to repeat  
}
```

- **condition** is a **boolean** value
- if **condition** is **true**, execute body and test condition again
- if **condition** is **false**, skip body

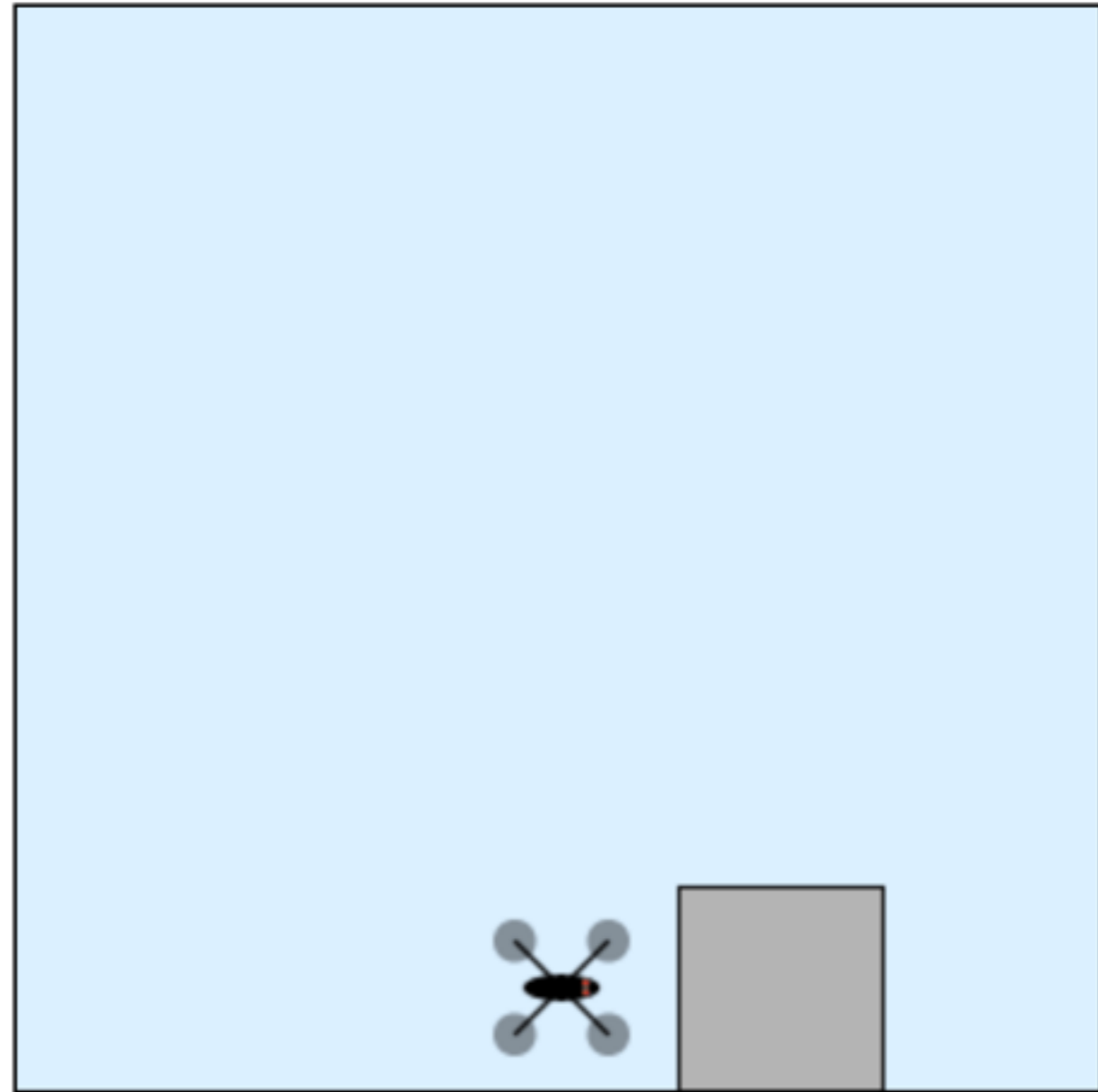
Exercise: robot bonk

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```
  
1 ▶ var simInit = function () {};  
11  
12 addWall(3, 0);  
13  
 14 ▾ while( ) {  
 15     forward();  
16 }
```

Exercise: robot bonk

```
▶  
1 ▶ var simInit = function () {↔}();  
11  
12 addWall(3, 0);  
13  
14 ▾ while(!blocked()) {  
15     forward();  
16 }
```



Exercise: driveToWall()

Factor, factor, factor!