

cis3.5 fall2009 lecture II.1

topics:

- internet overview
- creating graphics on the internet with "Processing"

resources:

- Processing web site: <http://www.processing.org/>
- getting started tutorial: <http://www.processing.org/learning/gettingstarted/>
- drawing tutorial: <http://www.processing.org/learning/drawing/>
- reference: <http://www.processing.org/reference/index.html>

what is a network?

- when computers talk to each other, this is called a **network**
- the network can have different kinds of computers and peripherals attached to it
- networks in which computers are physically connected to each other in the close geographical proximity are called **local area networks** (LANs)
- other networks are called **wide area networks** (WANs)
- the **internet** is a wide area network
- the internet is an *open system* = "a system whose architecture is not a secret"
- *protocol* = set of rules for how computers communicate with each other; for example:
 - TCP: transmission control protocol (computer ↔ computer)
 - IP: internet protocol (computer ↔ computer)
 - HTTP: hypertext transfer protocol (computer ↔ browser)
 - FTP: file transfer protocol (computer ↔ computer)
 - SMTP: simple mail transfer protocol (computer ↔ mail client)

what is the internet?

- history
 - ARPAnet (circa 1971): used "NCP"
 - TCP (1974): hardware independent, open
 - internet was standardized in September 1981
- the internet is NOT the world-wide web (WWW)
 - the idea of the world-wide web was conceived by Tim Berners-Lee
 - developed and discussed at CERN in Switzerland from about 1989
 - made public in 1994
 - the WWW uses the internet, but is not the internet itself—it is a way of organizing and viewing data that is accessible through the internet

some internet facilities

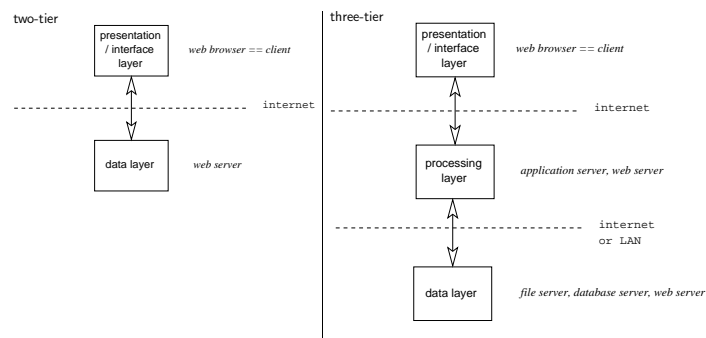
- the world wide web
 - HTML = hypertext markup language
 - *hyperlink*
 - *browser*
 - *web page, web site, web server*
- ftp (file transfer protocol)
 - *download*
 - *upload*
- email
- newsgroups
 - *posting*
 - *thread*
- mailing lists

clients and servers

- **server:**
 - computer on a network which carries out some **service** for another computer
- **client:**
 - the other computer for whom the server is carrying out the service
- **types of servers:**
 - *file server*
 - * provides files for clients
 - *database server*
 - * specialized file server that provides databases (structured files) for clients
 - *web server*
 - * specialized file server that provides files that make up the components of a web site,
 - * for example: HTML documents, CSS files, images, video clips, etc.

- *groupware server*
 - * manages scheduling for individuals and groups of co-workers/collaborators
 - * provides reports (e.g., billing) for collaborators
 - * supports mailing lists for collaborators
 - * e.g., Lotus Notes
- *mail server*
 - * sends mail
 - * receives mail
 - * stores mail
- *application server*
 - * provides access to particular applications
 - * e.g., game server

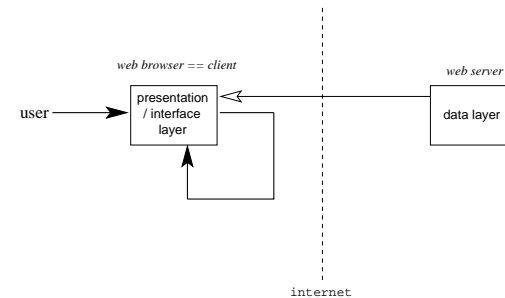
client-server architectures



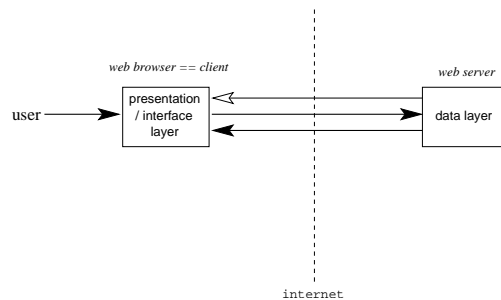
- isolates data storage technology
- places more burden on server (instead of client)
- distributes tasks amongst server(s)
- follows object-oriented and modular programming paradigms

interactive web programming

- user initiates some action
- which causes the web page to change in some way
- changes can happen locally, on the "client"



- changes can happen on the server and be reflected on the client



interactive web programming languages

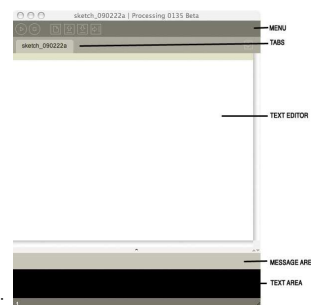
- Javascript
 - scripting language based on Java
 - write programs using a text editor (like with HTML)
 - run programs in a browser
- Processing
 - language originally written for artists
 - programs in Processing are called *sketches*
 - text-based programming language
 - write and run using an *integrated development environment (IDE)* that is part of Processing
 - programs can also be saved as *applets* and run inside a browser

Processing: getting started

- the Processing desktop icon looks like this:



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- the Processing window looks like this:

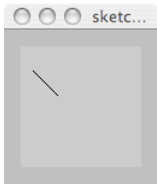
- interface buttons:

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|--|---------------|---|
| | run | compiles the code, opens a display window and runs the program. |
| | stop | terminates a running program. |
| | new | creates a new "sketch" in the current window. |
| | open | provides a menu with options to open files from your "sketchbook", an example or another a sketch on your computer. |
| | save | saves the current sketch with its current name and location. |
| | export | exports the current sketch as a Java "applet". |

first program

- first program, which draws a line:

```
line( 10, 20, 30, 40 );
```



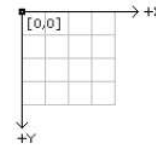
- looks like this:
- add to it, which draws a point:

```
point( 50, 50 );
```
- add to it, which changes the background color:

```
background( #00ff00 );
```

coordinate system

- all graphics are drawn using the following coordinate system:

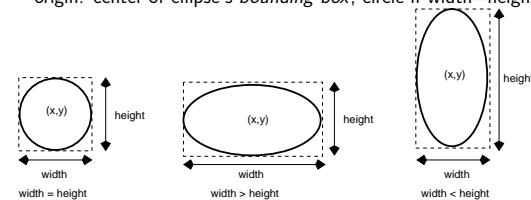


- think of it like a piece of graph paper
- a *point* fills in one cell on the graph paper
- a *line* fills in multiple cells, from one end-point of the line to the other

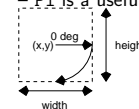
drawing things

- `point(x, y)`
– draws one point (looks like a dot...)
- `line(x1, y1, x2, y2)`
– connects two points
- `triangle(x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3)`
– connects three points
- `quad(x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3, x4, y4)`
– connects four points
- `rect(x, y, width, height)`
– origin + extent; square if width=height

- `ellipse(x, y, width, height)`
– origin: center of ellipse's *bounding box*; circle if width=height



- `arc(x, y, width, height, start, stop)`
– origin: center of arc's bounding box (see ellipse)
– start and stop: can be whole numbers (int) or real numbers (float); expressed in degrees or radians, depending on current angle mode; 0 is due east; measured clockwise
– π is a useful constant



- attributes

- `strokeWeight()`
 - line thickness
- `strokeJoin()`
 - square (MITER, default), blunt (BEVEL), rounded (ROUND)
- `strokeCap()`
 - SQUARE, PROJECT, ROUND (default)

programming basics

- each line contains a *statement*
- statements end with a semi-colon (;)
- *comments* are contained within `/**` and `*/`
- *functions*
 - provide a way to *modularize* code
 - makes it easier to read and re-use
 - also allows you to specify content for functionality built in to Processing
 - for example:

```
void draw() {  
    line( 10, 20, 30, 40 );  
}
```
 - `void` keyword that indicates a function which returns nothing
 - `draw()` = the name of the function
 - curly brackets ({ and }) delineate the beginning and end of the function
 - with Processing, your sketch has to use no functions or all functions

sample program

```
void setup() {  
    background( #ffffff );  
}  
  
void keyPressed() {  
    background( #0000ff );  
}  
  
void draw() {  
    line( 10, 20, 30, 40 );  
    point( 50, 50 );  
}
```

keyboard interaction

- `keyPressed()`
 - handles behavior when user presses a key down
- `keyReleased()`
 - handles behavior when user releases a key
- `keyTyped()`
 - handles behavior when user types a key (press and release)
- `key`
 - indicates which key was pressed/released/typed
 - equals CODED when special key is pressed/released/typed, like an arrow key, shift, control, alt, etc.
- `keyCode`
 - indicates special key: UP, DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT, ALT, CONTROL, SHIFT

making decisions

- one decision—IF something is true:

```
if ( test ) {  
  statements  
}
```
- two decisions—IF something is true...or ELSE:

```
if ( test ) {  
  statements  
}  
else {  
  statements  
}
```
- joint decisions—IF something is true OR something else is true:

```
if ( ( test1 ) || ( test2 ) ) {  
  statements  
}
```

modified sample program

```
void setup() {  
  background( #ffffff );  
}  
  
void keyPressed() {  
  if ( key == 'R' ) {  
    background( #ff0000 );  
  }  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  line( 10, 20, 30, 40 );  
  point( 50, 50 );  
}
```

modified keyPressed() function

```
void keyPressed() {  
  if ( key == 'R' ) {  
    background( #ff0000 );  
  }  
  else if ( key == 'G' ) {  
    background( #00ff00 );  
  }  
  else if ( key == 'B' ) {  
    background( #0000ff );  
  }  
}
```

multiple conditions

- two vertical bars (||) mean “OR”

```
void keyPressed() {  
  if ( ( key == 'R' ) || ( key == 'r' ) ) {  
    background( #ff0000 );  
  }  
}
```
- you can also just list two conditions

```
void keyPressed() {  
  if ( key == 'R' ) {  
    background( #ff0000 );  
  }  
  else if ( key == 'r' ) {  
    background( #ff0000 );  
  }  
}
```