

# Using Methods

## Methods that handle events

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# Caveat

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- The term **function** is used in Processing e.g. `line()`, `fill()`, etc.
- The term **method** is used in Java.
- As this course is primarily about learning the Java language, we are planning on using the word **method** instead of function from here on in.

# Topics list

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## 1. **Method** terminology:

- Return type
- Method names
- Parameter list

## 2. Using methods to handle **mouse events**.

# Recap: Methods in Processing

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- Processing comes with several **pre-written methods** that we can use.
- A method comprises a **set of instructions** that performs some task.
- When we invoke the method, it performs the task.
- Some methods we have used are:  
`rect()`, `ellipse()`, `line()`, `stroke()`, `fill()`, `background()`, `random()`, etc.

# Recap: Methods in Processing

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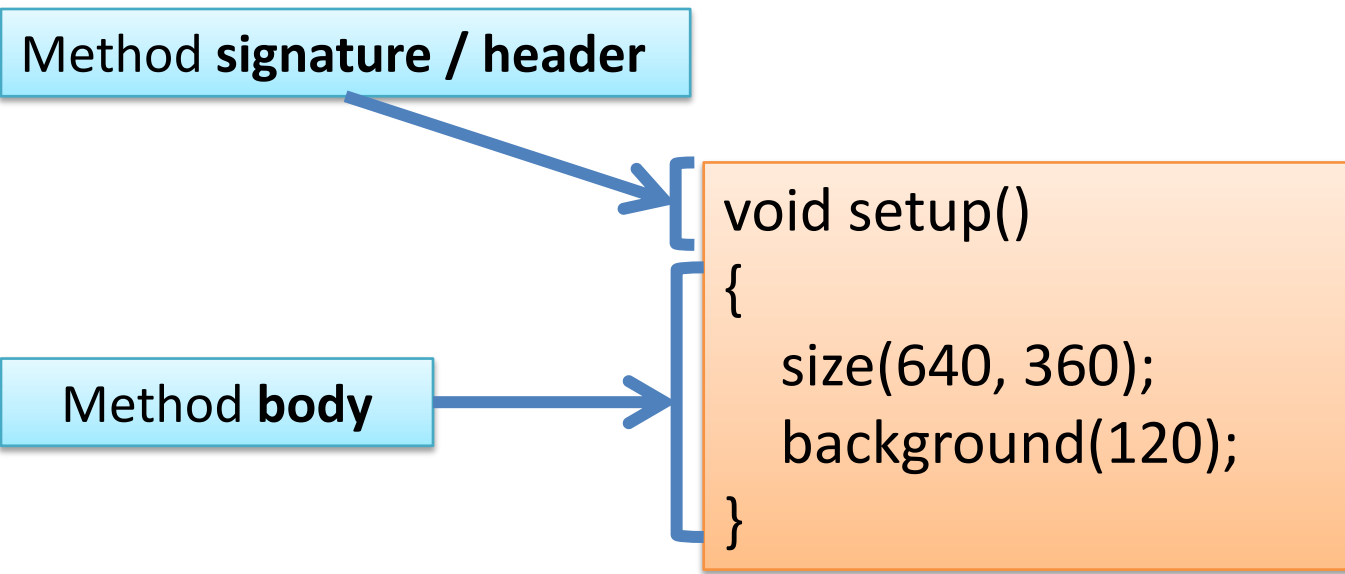
- We have also **written** two methods to animate our drawings:
  - **void setup()**
    - automatically called once when the program starts and should not be called again.
    - It typically sets up your display window e.g. screen size, background colour.
  - **void draw()**
    - automatically called straight after the setup() call.
    - It continuously executes the code contained inside it.

# Method terminology

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Method **signature** / header

Method **body**

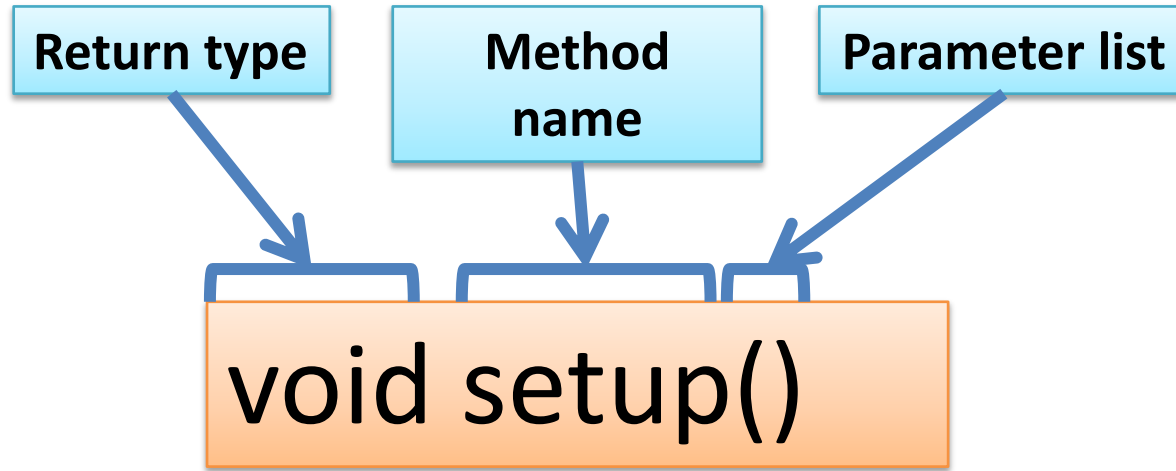


```
void setup()  
{  
  size(640, 360);  
  background(120);  
}
```

The diagram illustrates the components of a method. A light blue box labeled 'Method signature / header' has an arrow pointing to the first line of the code block, 'void setup()'. Another light blue box labeled 'Method body' has an arrow pointing to the curly braces and the two lines of code inside them: '{ size(640, 360); background(120); }'. The code block itself is an orange rectangle with a thin border.

# Method signature

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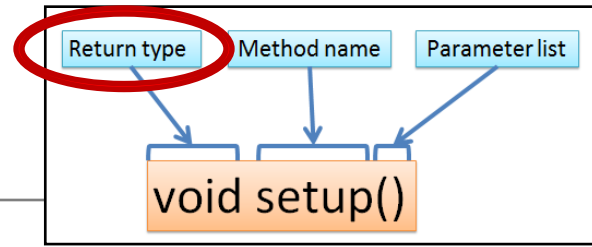
- Parameter list

## 2. Using methods to handle mouse events.



# Return Type: **void**

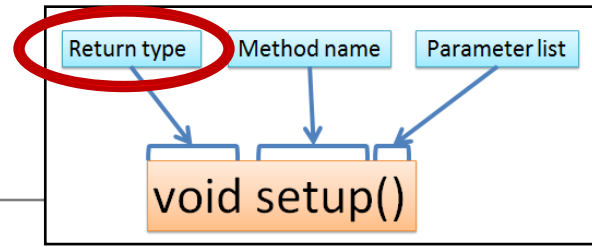
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- Methods can return information.
- The **void** keyword just before the method name means that **nothing is returned** from the method.
- **void** is a return type and must be included in the method signature, if your method returns no information.

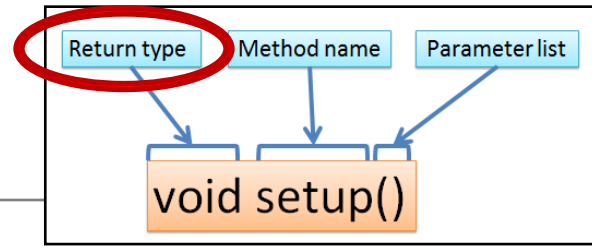
# Return Type: `int`

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- When a data type (e.g. `int`) appears before the method name, this means that **something is returned** from the method.
- Within the body of the method, you use the `return` statement to **return the value**.

# Return Type: **int**



```
int val = 30;

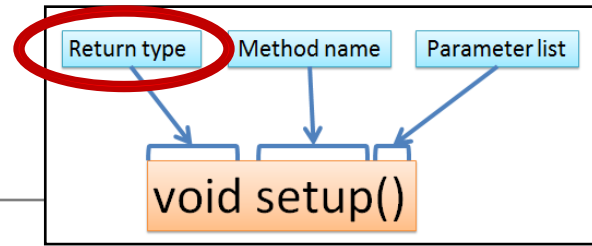
void draw()
{
    int result = timestwo(val);
    println(result);
}
```

```
int timestwo(int number)
{
    number = number * 2;
    return number;
}
```

// The red **int** in the function declaration  
// specifies the type of data to be returned.

# Return Types

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- Methods can return any **type of data** e.g.
  - boolean
  - byte
  - char
  - int
  - float
  - String
  - etc.
- You can only have **one return type per method**.

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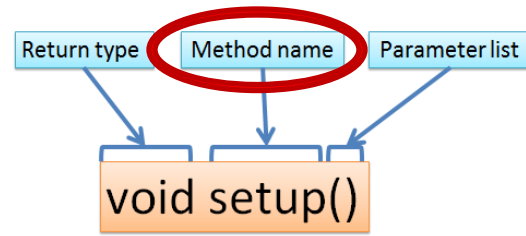
- Method names

- Parameter list

## 2. Using methods to handle mouse events.

# Method name

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- Method names should:
  - Use **verbs** (i.e. actions) to describe what the method does  
e.g.
    - calculateTax
    - printResults
  - Be **mixed case** with the first letter lowercase and the first letter of each internal word capitalised.  
i.e. **camelCase**



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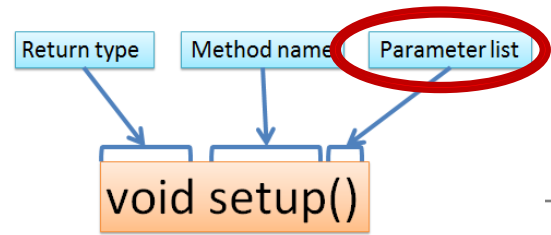
## 1. Method terminology:

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## 2. Using methods to handle mouse events.

# Parameter list

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- Methods **take in data** via their **parameters**.
- Methods do not have to pass parameters  
e.g. `setup()` has **no parameters**.



# Methods with NO parameters

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```
void noStroke()  
void setup()  
void noCursor()
```

- Methods do not have to pass parameters.
- These methods have **no parameters**;  
note how no variable is passed in the parenthesis i.e. ().
- These methods don't need any additional information to do its tasks.

# Methods with Parameters

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```
void strokeWeight(float weight)
```

```
void size(int width, int height)
```

- A **parameter** is a **variable declaration** –
  - it has a **type** (e.g. `int`)  
and a **name** (e.g. `width`).
- If a method needs additional information to execute, we provide a parameter, so that the information can be passed into it.
- The first method, *strokeWeight*, above has **one parameter**.
- A second method *size* can have any number of parameters  
e.g. the second method, has two

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# Mouse actions and their methods

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Action	Description	Method
<b>Clicked</b>	Mouse button is pressed and then released	mouseClicked()
<b>Pressed</b>	Mouse button is pressed and held down	mousePressed()
<b>Released</b>	Mouse button was pressed, but now released	mouseReleased()
<b>Moved</b>	Mouse is moved without any buttons being pressed	mouseMoved()
<b>Dragged</b>	Mouse is moved with a button pressed	mouseDragged()

# Mouse methods

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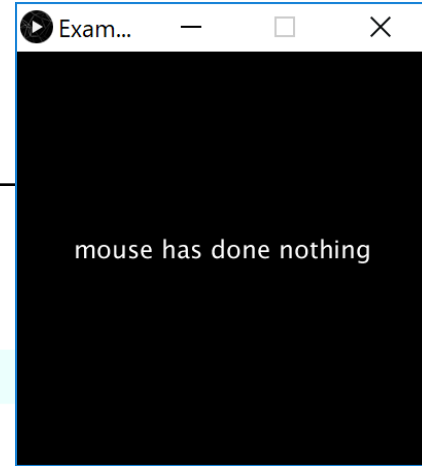
- Mouse and keyboard events only work when a program has **draw()**. 
- Without draw(), the code is only run once and then stops listening for events.

## **EXAMPLE 2.5**

# Processing Example 3.1 – setup()

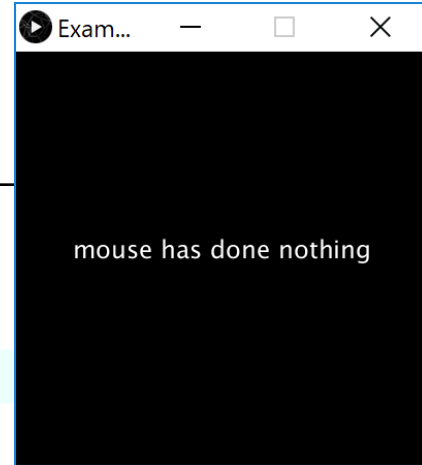
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```
void setup() {  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(0);  
  textAlign(CENTER);  
  textSize(24);  
  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}
```



# Processing Example 3.1 – draw()

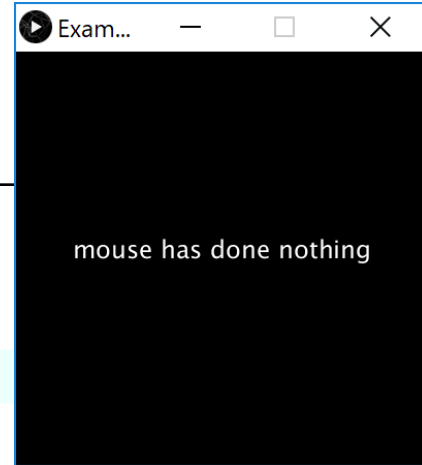
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  background(0);  
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  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
}
```





# Processing Example 3.1 – draw()

```
void setup() {  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(0);  
  textAlign(CENTER);  
  textSize(24);  
  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
}
```

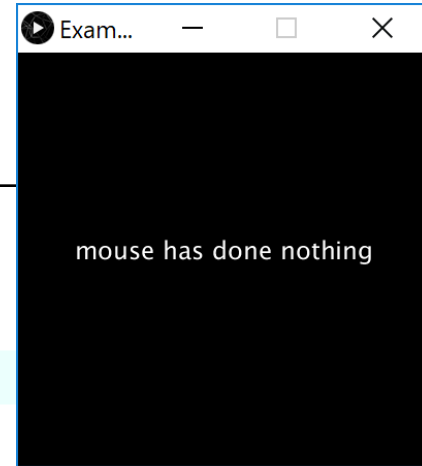


**Q:** Why did we include the draw() method, particularly as it is empty?

# Processing Example 3.1 – draw()

```
void setup() {  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(0);  
  textAlign(CENTER);  
  textSize(24);  
  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
}
```



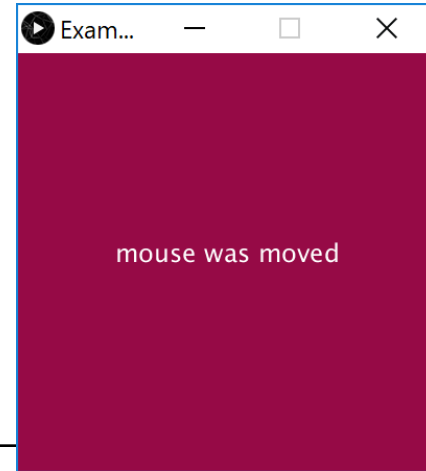
**A:** draw() is required because mouse events only work when a program has it.

# Processing Example 3.1 – mouseMoved()

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```
void setup() {  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(0);  
  textAlign(CENTER);  
  textSize(24);  
  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
}
```

```
void mouseMoved() {  
  background(150, 10, 70);  
  text("mouse was moved", width/2, height/2);  
}
```

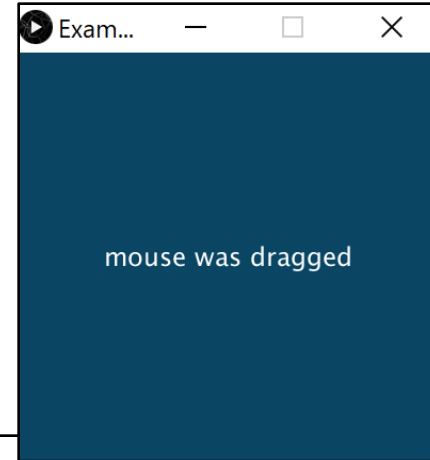


# Processing Example 3.1 – mouseDragged()

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```
void setup() {  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(0);  
  textAlign(CENTER);  
  textSize(24);  
  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
}
```

```
void mouseDragged() {  
  background(10, 70, 100);  
  text("mouse was dragged", width/2, height/2);  
}
```

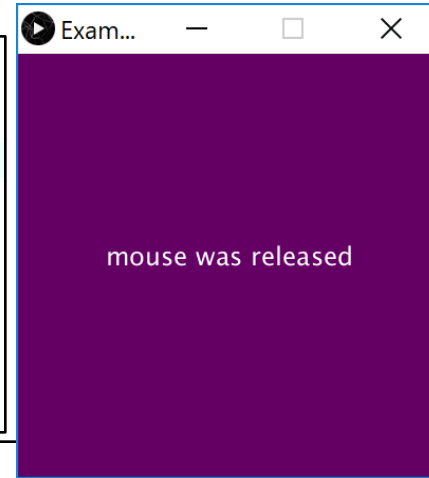


# Processing Example 3.1 – mouseReleased()

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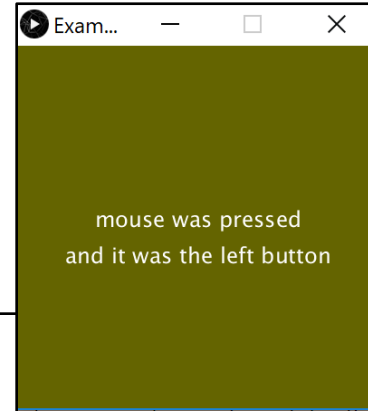
```
void setup() {  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(0);  
  textAlign(CENTER);  
  textSize(24);  
  fill(255);  
  text("mouse has done nothing", width/2, height/2);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
}
```

```
void mouseReleased() {  
  background(100, 0, 100);  
  text("mouse was released", width/2, height/2);  
}
```



# Processing Example 3.1 – mousePressed ()

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```
void mousePressed() {  
  background(100, 100, 0);  
  text("mouse was pressed", width/2, height/2);  
  if ( mouseButton == LEFT) {  
    text("and it was the left button", width/2, height/2 + 40);  
  }  
  if (mouseButton == RIGHT) {  
    text("and it was the right button", width/2, height/2 + 40);  
  }  
}
```

# Some previous exercises

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- We will now re-work the following examples that we covered previously:
  - Example 2.5
  - Example 2.6
  - Example 2.7
  - Example 2.8
- Each of these exercises tested the *mousePressed* variable.
  - Now we want them to use the ***mousePressed()*** method instead.

## **EXAMPLE 2.5**

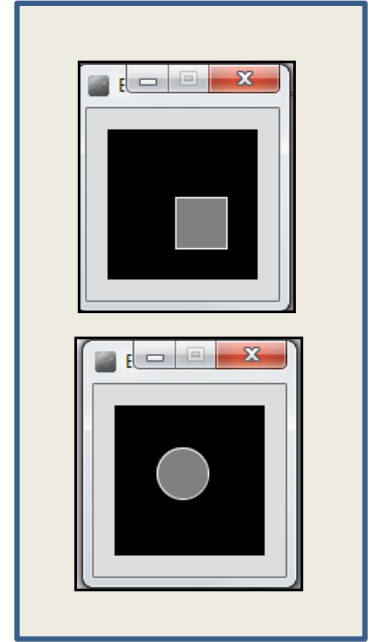


# Recap: Processing Example 2.5

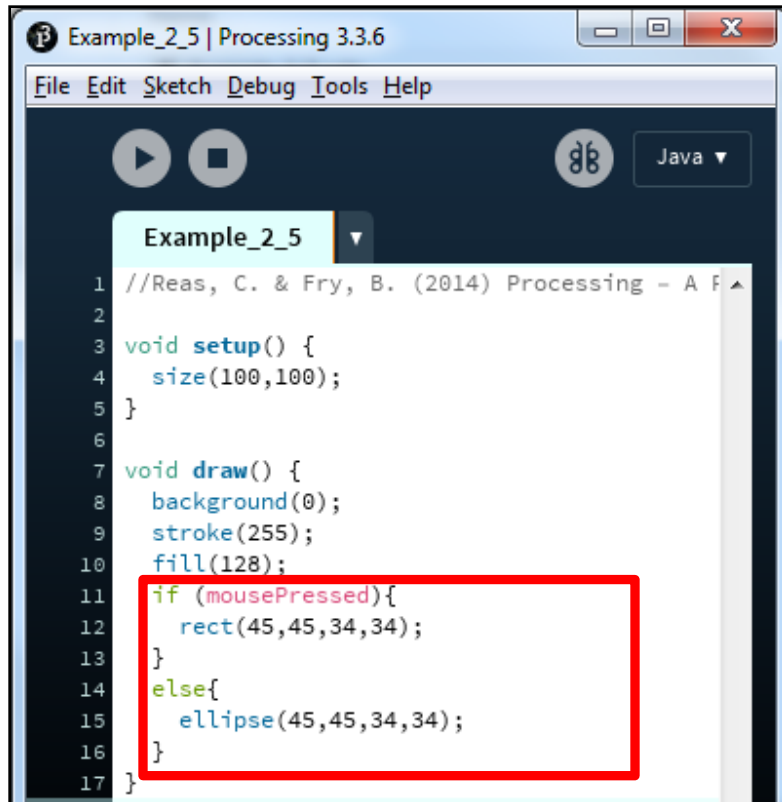
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## Functionality:

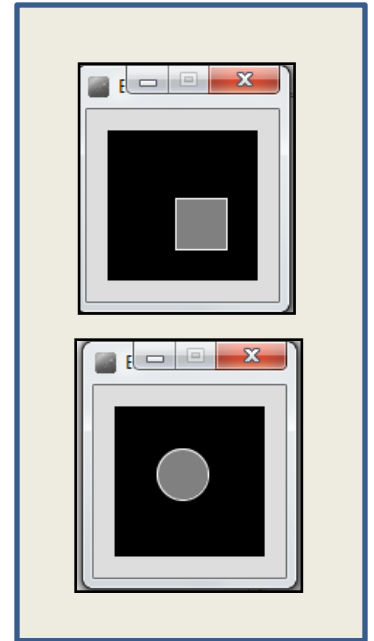
- If the mouse is pressed:
  - draw a gray square with a white outline.
  - otherwise draw a gray circle with a white outline.



# Recap: Processing Example 2.5



```
1 //Reas, C. & Fry, B. (2014) Processing - A F
2
3 void setup() {
4   size(100,100);
5 }
6
7 void draw() {
8   background(0);
9   stroke(255);
10  fill(128);
11  if (mousePressed){
12    rect(45,45,34,34);
13  }
14  else{
15    ellipse(45,45,34,34);
16  }
17 }
```



## Example 2.5 (v2) – using mouse methods instead

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```
void setup()
{
  size(100,100);
  stroke(255);
  fill(150);
  background(0);
  ellipse(45,45,34,34);
}

void draw() {
}
```

```
void mousePressed() {
  background(0);
  rect(45,45,34,34);
}

void mouseReleased() {
  background(0);
  ellipse(45,45,34,34);
}
```

# Before

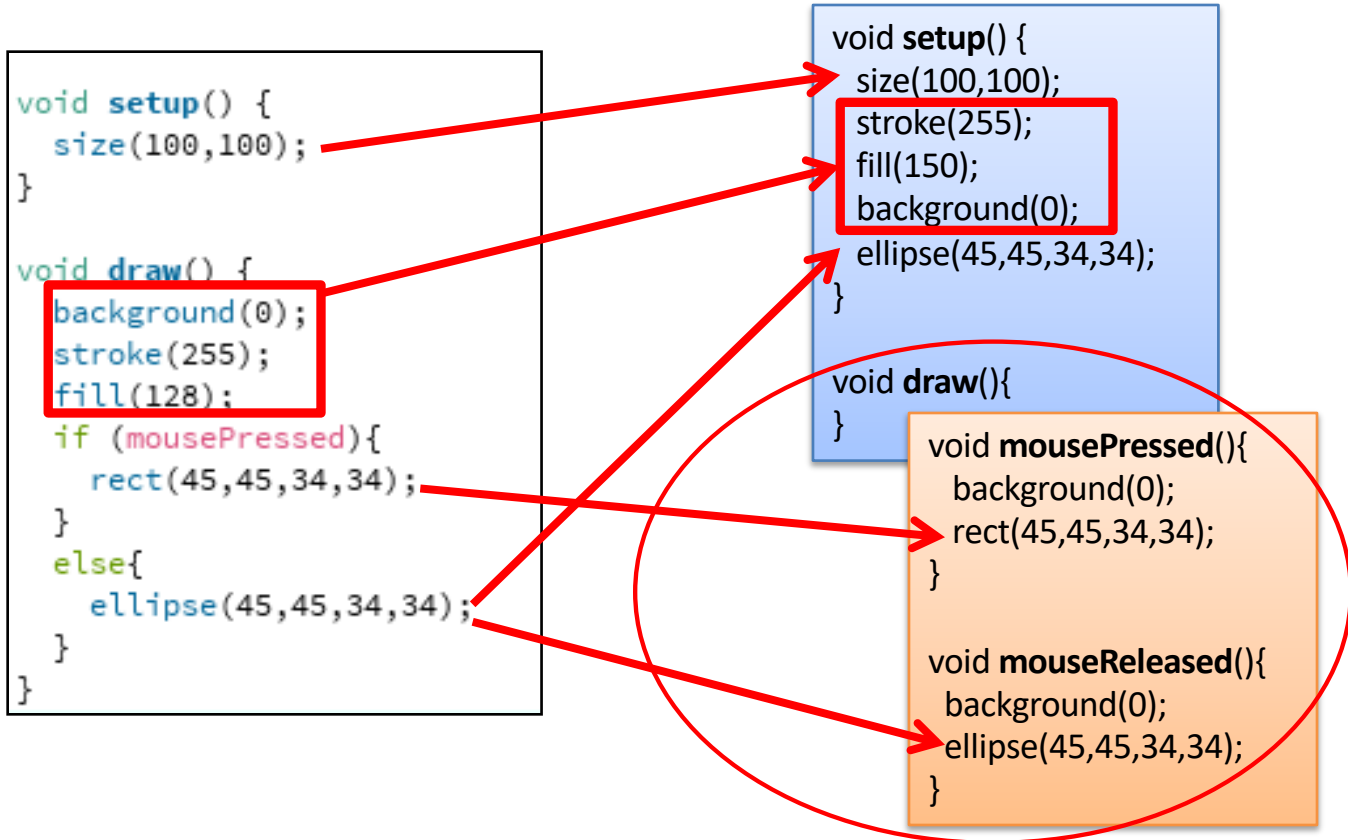
# VS

# After

```
void setup() {  
  size(100,100);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  background(0);  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(128);  
  if (mousePressed){  
    rect(45,45,34,34);  
  }  
  else{  
    ellipse(45,45,34,34);  
  }  
}
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(100,100);  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(150);  
  background(0);  
  ellipse(45,45,34,34);  
}  
  
void draw(){  
}
```

```
void mousePressed(){  
  background(0);  
  rect(45,45,34,34);  
}  
  
void mouseReleased(){  
  background(0);  
  ellipse(45,45,34,34);  
}
```



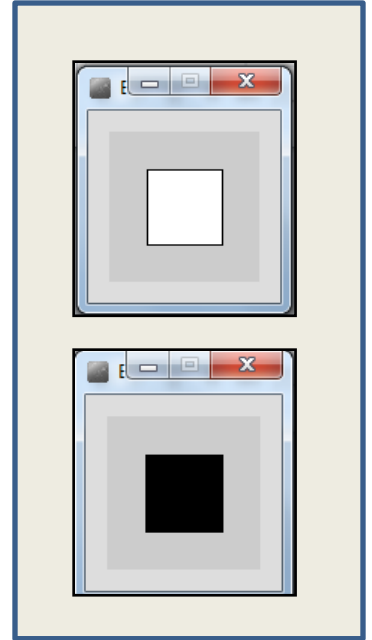
## **EXAMPLE 2.6**

# Recap: Processing Example 2.6

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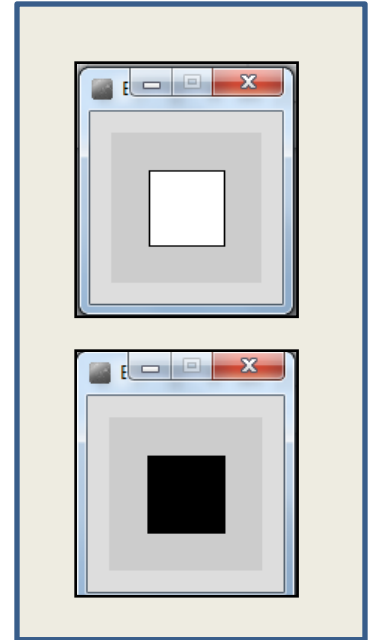
## Functionality:

- If the mouse is pressed:
  - set the fill to white and draw a square.
  - otherwise set the fill to black and draw a square.



# Recap: Processing Example 2.6

```
1 //Reas, C. & Fry, B. (2014) Processing - A F
2
3 void setup() {
4   size(100, 100);
5 }
6
7 void draw() {
8   background(204);
9   if (mousePressed == true) {
10    fill(255); // White
11  } else {
12    fill(0); // Black
13  }
14  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);
15 }
```



## Example 2.6 (v2) – using mouse methods instead

---

```
void setup()
{
  size(100,100);
  background(204);
  fill(0);
}

void draw() {
  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);
}
```

```
void mousePressed() {
  fill(255);
}

void mouseReleased() {
  fill(0);
}
```



Before

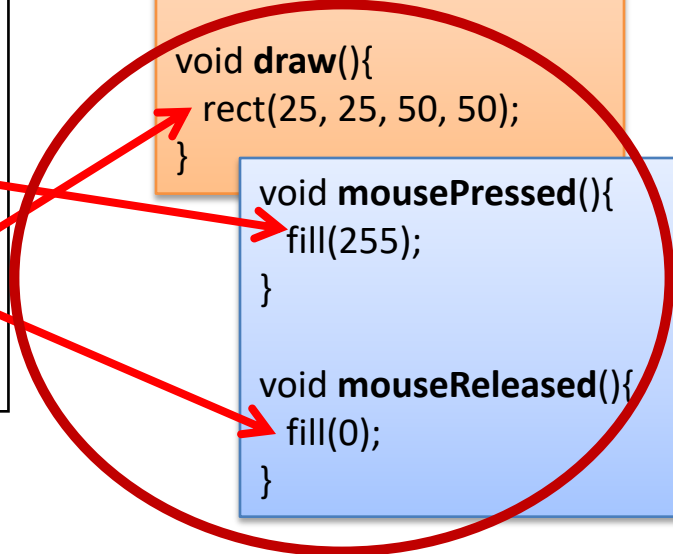
VS

After

```
void setup() {  
  size(100, 100);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  background(204);  
  if (mousePressed == true) {  
    fill(255); // White  
  } else {  
    fill(0); // Black  
  }  
  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);  
}
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(100,100);  
  background(204);  
  fill(0);  
}  
  
void draw(){  
  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);  
}
```

```
void mousePressed(){  
  fill(255);  
}  
  
void mouseReleased(){  
  fill(0);  
}
```



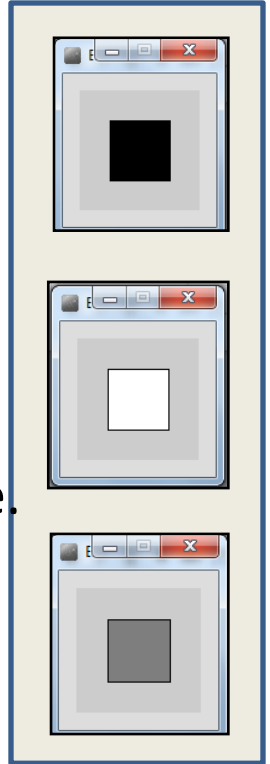
## **EXAMPLE 2.7**

# Recap: Processing Example 2.7

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## Functionality:

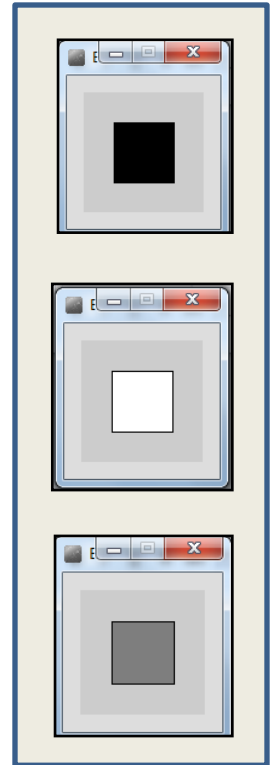
- If the **LEFT** button on the mouse is pressed, set the fill to **black** and draw a square. As soon as the LEFT button is released, gray fill the square.
- If the **RIGHT** button on the mouse is pressed, set the fill to **white** and draw a square. As soon as the RIGHT button is released, gray fill the square.
- If **no mouse button** is pressed, set the fill to **gray** and draw a square.



# Recap: Processing Example 2.7

A screenshot of the Processing IDE window titled "Example\_2\_7 | Processing 3.3.6". The code editor shows the following code:

```
1 //Reas, C. & Fry, B. (2014) Processing - A F
2
3 void setup() {
4   size(100, 100);
5 }
6
7 void draw() {
8   if (mousePressed){
9     if (mouseButton == LEFT
10      fill(0); // black
11     else if (mouseButton == RIGHT
12      fill(255); // white
13   }
14   else {
15     fill(126); // gray
16   }
17   rect(25, 25, 50, 50);
18 }
```

The code block from line 8 to line 16 is highlighted with a red border. The IDE interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, Sketch, Debug, Tools, Help), a toolbar with play and stop buttons, and a language dropdown set to "Java".

## Example 2.7 (v2) – using mouse methods instead

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```
void setup()
{
  size(100,100);
  background(204);
  fill(126);
}

void draw() {
  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);
}
```

```
void mousePressed() {
  if (mouseButton == LEFT)
    fill(0);      // black
  else if (mouseButton == RIGHT)
    fill(255);   // white
}

void mouseReleased() {
  fill(126);
}
```

# Before

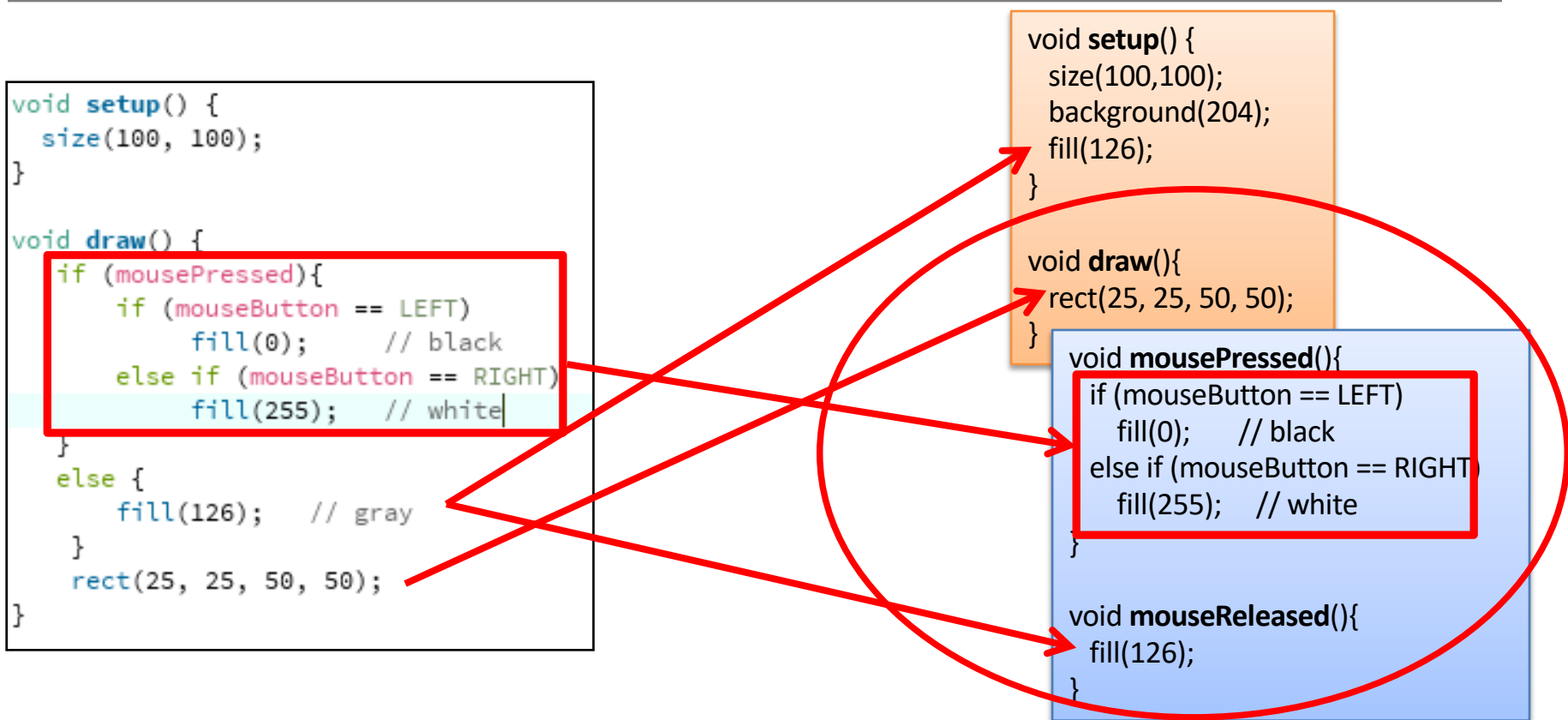
# VS

# After

```
void setup() {  
  size(100, 100);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  if (mousePressed){  
    if (mouseButton == LEFT)  
      fill(0); // black  
    else if (mouseButton == RIGHT)  
      fill(255); // white  
  }  
  else {  
    fill(126); // gray  
  }  
  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);  
}
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(100,100);  
  background(204);  
  fill(126);  
}  
  
void draw(){  
  rect(25, 25, 50, 50);  
}
```

```
void mousePressed(){  
  if (mouseButton == LEFT)  
    fill(0); // black  
  else if (mouseButton == RIGHT)  
    fill(255); // white  
}  
  
void mouseReleased(){  
  fill(126);  
}
```



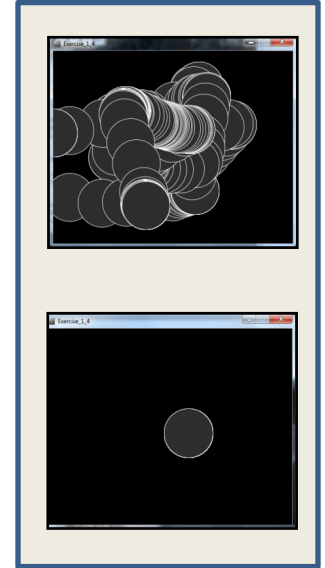
## **EXAMPLE 2.8**

# Recap: Processing Example 2.8

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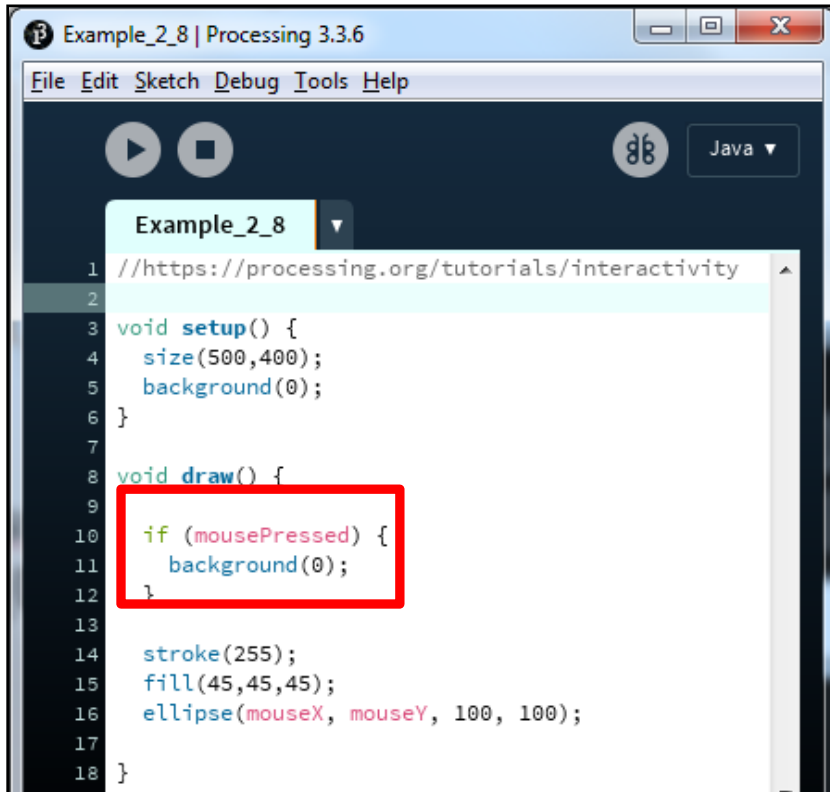
## Functionality:

- Draw a circle on the mouse (x,y) coordinates.
- Each time you **move the mouse, draw a new circle.**
- All the circles remain in the sketch, until you press a mouse button.
- When you **press a mouse button,** the **sketch is cleared** and a single circle is drawn at the mouse (x,y) coordinates.



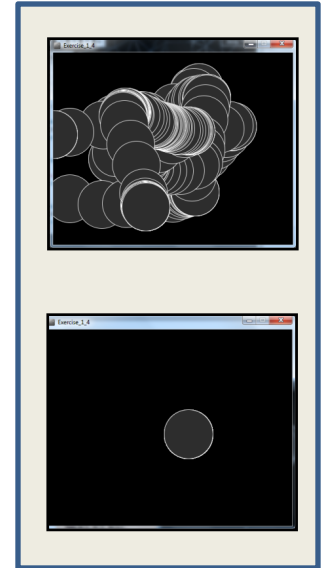


# Recap: Processing Example 2.8



```
Example_2_8 | Processing 3.3.6
File Edit Sketch Debug Tools Help

Example_2_8
1 //https://processing.org/tutorials/interactivity
2
3 void setup() {
4   size(500,400);
5   background(0);
6 }
7
8 void draw() {
9
10  if (mousePressed) {
11    background(0);
12  }
13
14  stroke(255);
15  fill(45,45,45);
16  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);
17
18 }
```



## Example 2.5 (v2) – using mouse methods instead

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```
void setup()  
{  
  size(500,400);  
  background(0);  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(45,45,45);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
}
```

```
void mousePressed() {  
  background(0);  
}
```

# Before

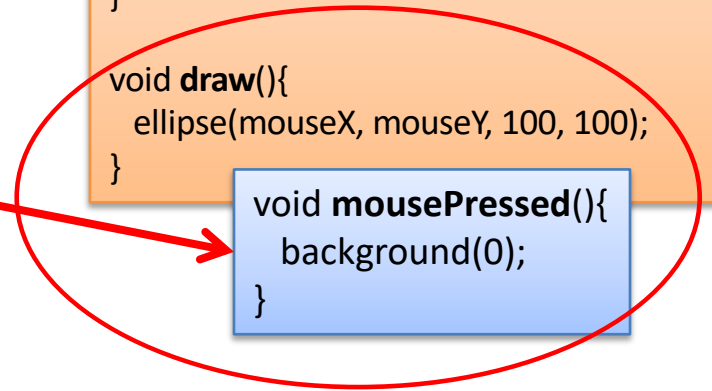
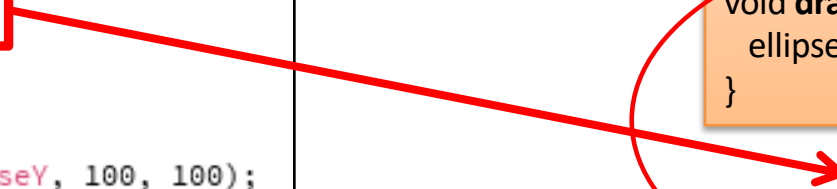
# VS

# After

```
void setup() {  
  size(500,400);  
  background(0);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  if (mousePressed) {  
    background(0);  
  }  
  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(45,45,45);  
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
}
```

```
void setup()  
{  
  size(500,400);  
  background(0);  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(45,45,45);  
}  
  
void draw(){  
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
}
```

```
void mousePressed(){  
  background(0);  
}
```



## **EXAMPLE 2.5 (V3)**

## Example 2.5 (v3) – using mouse methods instead

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```
void setup()  
{  
  size(500,400);  
  
  background(0);  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(45,45,45);  
}  
  
void draw()  
{
```

```
  void mouseMoved()  
  {  
    ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
  }  
  
  void mouseClicked()  
  {  
    background(0);  
    ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
  }
```

# Before

# VS

# After

```
void setup() {  
  size(500,400);  
  background(0);  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  if (mousePressed) {  
    background(0);  
  }  
  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(45,45,45);  
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
}
```

```
void setup()  
{  
  size(500,400);  
  background(0);  
  stroke(255);  
  fill(45,45,45);  
}  
  
void draw(){  
}
```

```
void mouseMoved(){  
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
}  
  
void mouseClicked(){  
  background(0);  
  ellipse(mouseX, mouseY, 100, 100);  
}
```

NOTE: draw is empty. Why do we include it?

# Questions?

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