

# **Images & Pixels (processing)**

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# - How are images organized?

- We are familiar with the idea of each pixel on the screen having an X and Y position in a two dimensional window. However, **the array pixels has only one dimension, storing color values in linear sequence.**
- The processing has only one value for each pixel, and always start with zero.

0	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24

How the pixels are stored:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	.	.	.		
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# How can we access individual pixels?

Any Visual information on a computer is comprised of pixel information.

## Basic coding structure Template (example1)

```
size(300,200); // Before we deal with pixels
loadPixels(); //this function is called before we access the pixel array

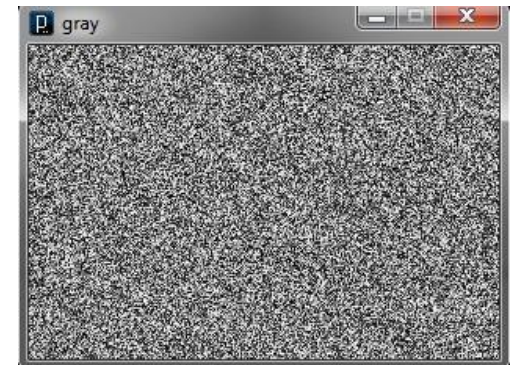
// Loop through every pixel
for (int i = 0; i < pixels.length; i++ ) { // We can get the length of the pixels array just like with any array.

    // Pick a random number, 0 to 255
    float rand = random(255);

    // Create a grayscale color based on random number
    color c = color(rand);

    // Set pixel at that location to random color
    pixels[i] = c; // We can access individual elements of the pixels array via an index, just like with any other array.
}

// When we are finished dealing with pixels
updatePixels(); //this function is called after we finish with the pixel array.
```



## Tips:

[loadPixels\(\)](#) This function is called before you access the pixel array, saying "load the pixels, I would like to speak with them!"

[updatePixels\(\)](#) This function is called after you finish with the pixel array saying "Go ahead and update the pixels, I'm all done!"

**Formula: What is a pixel's house number?**

**Every pixel in an image is living in its exclusive house.**

**LOCATION = X + Y\*WIDTH**

x →

0 1 2 3 4

y 0	0	1	2	3	4
1	5	6	7	8	9
2	10	11	12	13	14
3	15	16	17	18	19
4	20	21	22	23	24

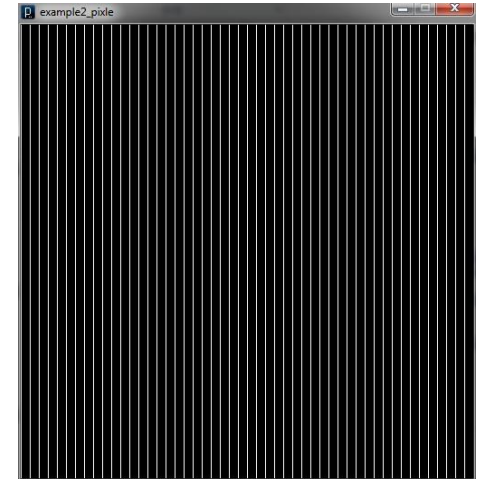
← width = 5 →

Pixel 13 has an x value of 3 and y value of 2.

$$\begin{aligned} & x + (y * \text{width}) \\ &= 3 + (2 * 5) \\ &= 3 + 10 \\ &= 13 \end{aligned}$$

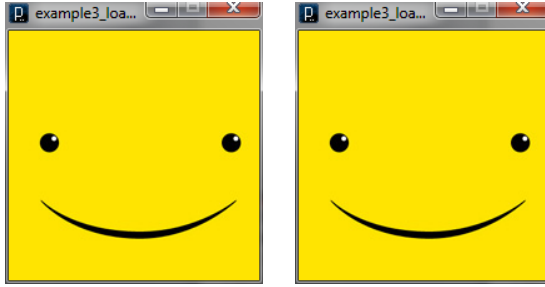
# Every pixel in an image is living in its exclusive house.(Example 2)

- `size(500,500);`
- `loadPixels();`
- `// Two loops allow us to visit every column (x) and every row (y).`
- 
- `// Loop through every pixel column`
- `for (int x = 0; x < width; x++) {`
- `// Loop through every pixel row`
- `for (int y = 0; y < height; y++) {`
- `// Use the formula to find the 1D location`
- `int loc = x + y * width;`
- `// The location in the pixel array is calculated via our formula: 1D pixel location = x + y * width`
- 
- `if (x%10== 0) { // If we are an even column..%→modulo,相除后的余数为零，即可除尽`
- `pixels[loc] = color(255); //set color as white`
- `} else { // If we are an odd column`
- `pixels[loc] = color(0); // We use the column number (x) to determine whether the color should be black or white.`
- `}`
- `}`
- `}`
- `updatePixels();`



# loadImage VS loadPixel

## (Example 3)



```
PImage a;  
void setup() {  
  size(200,200);  
  // Make a new instance of a PImage by loading  
  // an image file  
  a = loadImage("smile.jpg");  
}  
  
void draw() {  
  background(0);  
  // Draw the image to the screen at coordinate  
  // (0,0)  
  image(a,0,0); //(pic,Xposition,Yposition)  
}
```

```
PImage img;
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(200, 200);  
  img = loadImage("smile.jpg");  
}  
void draw() {  
  loadPixels();  
  img.loadPixels();  
  for (int y = 0; y < height; y++) {  
    for (int x = 0; x < width; x++) {  
      int loc = x + y*width;  
      // The functions red(), green(), and blue() pull  
      // out the 3 color components from a pixel.  
      float r = red(img.pixels[loc]);  
      float g = green(img.pixels[loc]);  
      float b = blue(img.pixels[loc]);  
  
      // Image Processing would go here  
      // If we were to change the RGB values, we  
      // would do it here, before setting the pixel in the  
      // display window.  
      // Set the display pixel to the image pixel  
      pixels[loc] = color(r,g,b);  
    }  
  }  
  updatePixels(); }  
}
```

# To understand the difference



```
PImage img;
```

```
PImage bg; //2 layers
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(200,200);  
  img = loadImage("sunflower.jpg");  
  bg=loadImage("smile.jpg");  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
  background(bg);  
  tint(255,127);
```

```
loadPixels();
```

```
img.loadPixels();  
for (int y = 0; y < 150; y++ ) {  
  for (int x = 0; x < 150; x++ ) {  
    int loc = x + y*width;  
    // The functions red(), green(), and  
blue() pull out the three color  
components from a pixel.  
    float r = red(img.pixels [loc]);  
    float g = green(img.pixels[loc]);  
    float b = blue(img.pixels[loc]);  
    pixels[loc] = color(r,g,b);  
  }  
}  
updatePixels();  
}
```



Since the pixels are editable, it gives us much more room to try, such as **filter**.

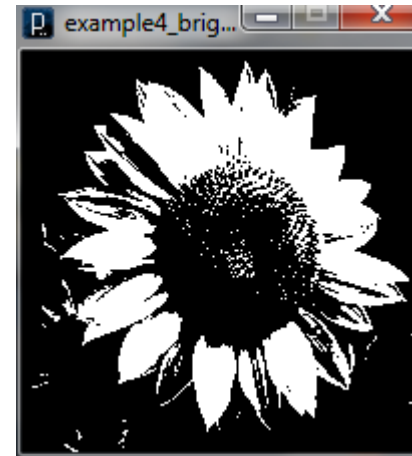
# Example4: Brightness Threshold

```
• PImage source; // Source image
• PImage destination; // Destination image

• void setup() {
•   size(200,200);
•   source = loadImage("sunflower.jpg");
•   destination = createImage(source.width, source.height, RGB);
• }

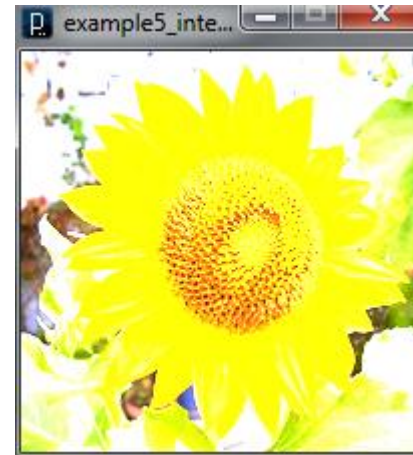
• void draw() {
•   float threshold = 200; // 设定一个阈值或者叫临界值
•
•   // We are going to look at both image's pixels
•   source.loadPixels();
•   destination.loadPixels();
•
•   for (int x = 0; x < source.width; x++) {
•     for (int y = 0; y < source.height; y++) {
•       int loc = x + y*source.width;
•       // Test the brightness against the threshold
•       if (brightness(source.pixels[loc]) > threshold){
•         destination.pixels[loc] = color(255); // White
•       } else {
•         destination.pixels[loc] = color(0); // Black
•       }
•     }
•   }

•   // We changed the pixels in destination
•   destination.updatePixels();
•   // Display the destination, 显示去色后的图片
•   image(destination,0,0);
• }
```



# Example5: Interactive Brightness

- `PImage img;`
- `void setup() {`
- `size(200,200);`
- `img = loadImage("sunflower.jpg");`
- `}`
- `void draw() {`
- `loadPixels();`
- `for (int x = 0; x < img.width; x++ ) {`
- `for (int y = 0; y < img.height; y++ ) {`
- `// Calculate the 1D pixel location`
- `int loc = x + y*img.width;`
- `// Get the R,G,B values from image`
- `float r = red (img.pixels[loc]);`
- `float g = green (img.pixels[loc]);`
- `float b = blue (img.pixels[loc]);`
- `// We calculate a multiplier ranging from 0.0 to 8.0 based on mouseX position.`
- `// That multiplier changes the RGB value of each pixel.`
- `float adjustBrightness = ((float) mouseX / width) * 8.0;`
- `r *= adjustBrightness;`
- `g *= adjustBrightness;`
- `b *= adjustBrightness;`



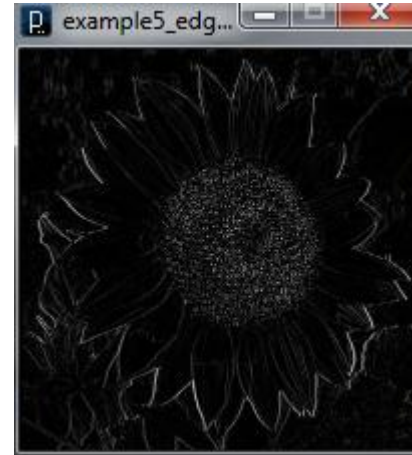
- `// The RGB values are constrained between 0 and 255 before being set as a new color.`
- `r = constrain(r,0,255); //constrain(value, min, max)`
- `g = constrain(g,0,255);`
- `b = constrain(b,0,255);`
- `// Make a new color and set pixel in the window`
- `color c = color(r,g,b);`
- `pixels[loc] = c;`
- `}`
- `}`
- `updatePixels();`
- `}`

# Example6:Edge detector

```
• PImage img; // Source image
• PImage destination; // Destination image

• void setup() {
• size(200,200);
• img = loadImage("sunflower.jpg");
• destination = createImage(img.width, img.height, RGB);
• }

• void draw() {
• // We are going to look at both image's pixels
• img.loadPixels();
• destination.loadPixels(); // Since we are looking at left neighbors
• // We skip the first column
• for (int x = 1; x < width; x++) {
• for (int y = 0; y < height; y++) {
•
• // Pixel location and color
• int loc = x + y*img.width;
• color pix = img.pixels[loc];
•
• // Pixel to the left location and color
• int leftLoc = (x - 1) + y*img.width;
• color leftPix = img.pixels[leftLoc];
•
• // New color is difference between pixel and left neighbor
• float diff = abs(brightness(pix) - brightness(leftPix)); //abs:绝对值absolute value
• destination.pixels[loc] = color(diff);
• }
• }
•
• // We changed the pixels in destination
• destination.updatePixels();
• // Display the destination
• image(destination,0,0);
• }
```



This example is a simple horizontal edge detection algorithm 算法. When pixels differ greatly from their neighbors, they are most likely "edge" pixels.

## Relative location of a pixel

--a much more sophisticated algorithms to define a pixel.

A Pixel and its Friendly Neighbors:



- Each pixel has 8 immediate neighbors: top left, top, top right, right, bottom right, bottom, bottom left, left.
- These image processing algorithms are often referred to as a "spatial convolution."
- The process uses a weighted average of an input pixel and its neighbors to calculate an output pixel.

- **For example,**

- **Sharpen:**

- -1 -1 -1
- -1 9 -1
- -1 -1 -1

we "sharpen" an image by subtracting the neighboring pixel values and increasing the center point pixel.

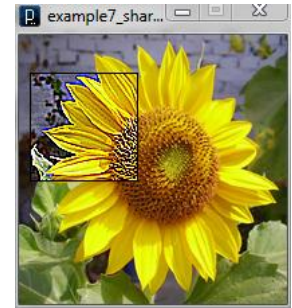
- **Blur:**

- $1/9$   $1/9$   $1/9$
- $1/9$   $1/9$   $1/9$
- $1/9$   $1/9$   $1/9$

A blur is achieved by taking the average of all neighboring pixels.

# Example7: sharpen

- `PImage img;`
- `int w = 80;`
- `// The convolution matrix for a "sharpen" effect stored as a 3 x 3 two-dimensional array.`
- `float[][] matrix = { { -1, -1, -1 },`
- `{ -1, 9, -1 },`
- `{ -1, -1, -1 } }; //矩阵`
- `void setup() {`
- `size(200,200);`
- `img = loadImage( "sunflower.jpg" );`
- `}`
- `void draw() {`
- `// We're only going to process a portion of the image`
- `// so let's set the whole image as the background first`
- `image(img,0,0);`
- 
- `// In this example we are only processing a section of`
- `// the image-an 80 x 80 rectangle around the mouse`
- `// location.`
- `int xstart = constrain(mouseX-w/2,0,img.width);`
- `//mouse minus`
- `int ystart = constrain(mouseY-w/2,0,img.height);`
- `int xend = constrain(mouseX + w/2,0,img.width);`
- `//mouse plus`
- `int yend = constrain(mouseY + w/2,0,img.height);`
- `int matrixsize = 3; //矩阵大小为3*3`



- `loadPixels();`
- `// Begin our loop for every pixel`
- `for (int x = xstart; x < xend; x++ ) {`
- `for (int y = ystart; y < yend; y++ ) {`
- `// Each pixel location (x,y) gets passed into`
- `// a function called convolution()`
- `// The convolution() function returns a new`
- `// color to be displayed.`
- `color c =`
- `convolution(x,y,matrix,matrixsize,img);`
- `int loc = x + y*img.width;`
- `//to draw this rectangle with the original`
- `// picture`
- `pixels[loc] = c;`
- `}`
- `}`
- `updatePixels();`
- `stroke(0); //black stroke`
- `noFill();`
- `rect(xstart,ystart,w,w);`
- `}`

- `color convolution(int x, int y, float[][] matrix, int matrixsize, PImage img) { //define the related parameters`
- `float rtotal = 0.0;`
- `float gtotal = 0.0;`
- `float btotal = 0.0;`
- `int offset = matrixsize / 2;`
- 
- `// Loop through convolution matrix`
- `for (int i = 0; i < matrixsize; i++ ) {`
- `for (int j = 0; j < matrixsize; j++ ) {`
- 
- `// What pixel are we testing`
- `int xloc = x + i-offset;`
- `int yloc = y + j-offset;`
- `int loc = xloc + img.width*yloc;`
- 
- `// Make sure we haven't walked off the edge of the pixel array`
- `// It is often good when looking at neighboring pixels to make sure we have not gone off the edge of the pixel array by accident.`
- `loc = constrain(loc,0,img.pixels.length-1);`

- `// Calculate the convolution`
- `// We sum all the neighboring pixels multiplied by the values in the convolution matrix.`
- `rtotal += (red(img.pixels[loc]) * matrix[i][j]);`
- `gtotal += (green(img.pixels[loc]) * matrix[i][j]);`
- `btotal += (blue(img.pixels[loc]) * matrix[i][j]);`
- `}`
- `}`
- 
- `// Make sure RGB is within range`
- `rtotal = constrain(rtotal,0,255);`
- `gtotal = constrain(gtotal,0,255);`
- `btotal = constrain(btotal,0,255);`
- 
- `// Return the resulting color`
- `return color(rtotal,gtotal,btotal);`
- `}`



# Examples within processing: Pointillism

Processing—File—Standard examples— Image—Pointillism



```
PImage img;  
int smallPoint = 2;  
int largePoint;  
int top, left;
```

```
void setup() {  
  size(200, 200);  
  img = loadImage("eames.jpg"); // an alternative image  
  noStroke();  
  background(255);  
  smooth();  
  largePoint = min(width, height) / 10; // center the image on the screen  
  left = (width - img.width) / 2;  
  top = (height - img.height) / 2;  
}
```

```
void draw() {  
  float pointillize = map(mouseX, 0, width, smallPoint, largePoint);  
  int x = int(random(img.width));  
  int y = int(random(img.height));  
  color pix = img.get(x, y);  
  fill(pix, 128); //alpha=128  
  ellipse(left + x, top + y, pointillize, pointillize);  
}
```

```
//Re-maps a number from one range to another.  
//map(value, low1, high1, low2, high2)  
//value float: The incoming value to be converted  
//low1 float: Lower bound of the value's current range  
//high1 float: Upper bound of the value's current range  
//low2 float: Lower bound of the value's target range  
//high2 float: Upper bound of the value's target range
```

Thanks