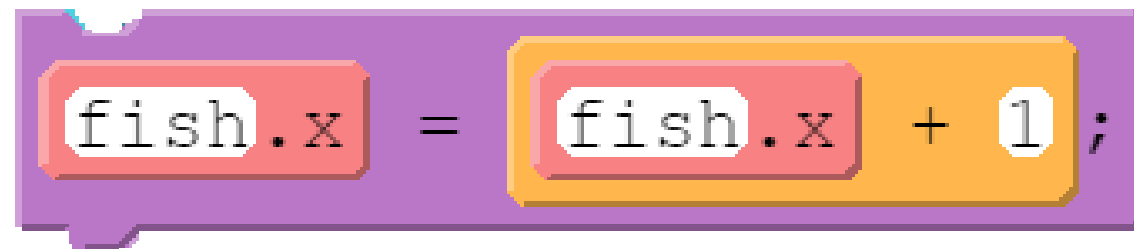


The Counter Pattern



A Scratch-style code block with a purple background, a notch on the top-left, and a bump on the bottom-right. It contains the text `fish.x = fish.x + 1 ;`. The variable `fish.x` is highlighted in a red box, the equals sign is in the center, the second `fish.x` is in a red box, the plus sign is in the center, the number `1` is in a white box, and the semicolon is in the center.

```
fish.x = fish.x + 1 ;
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Code

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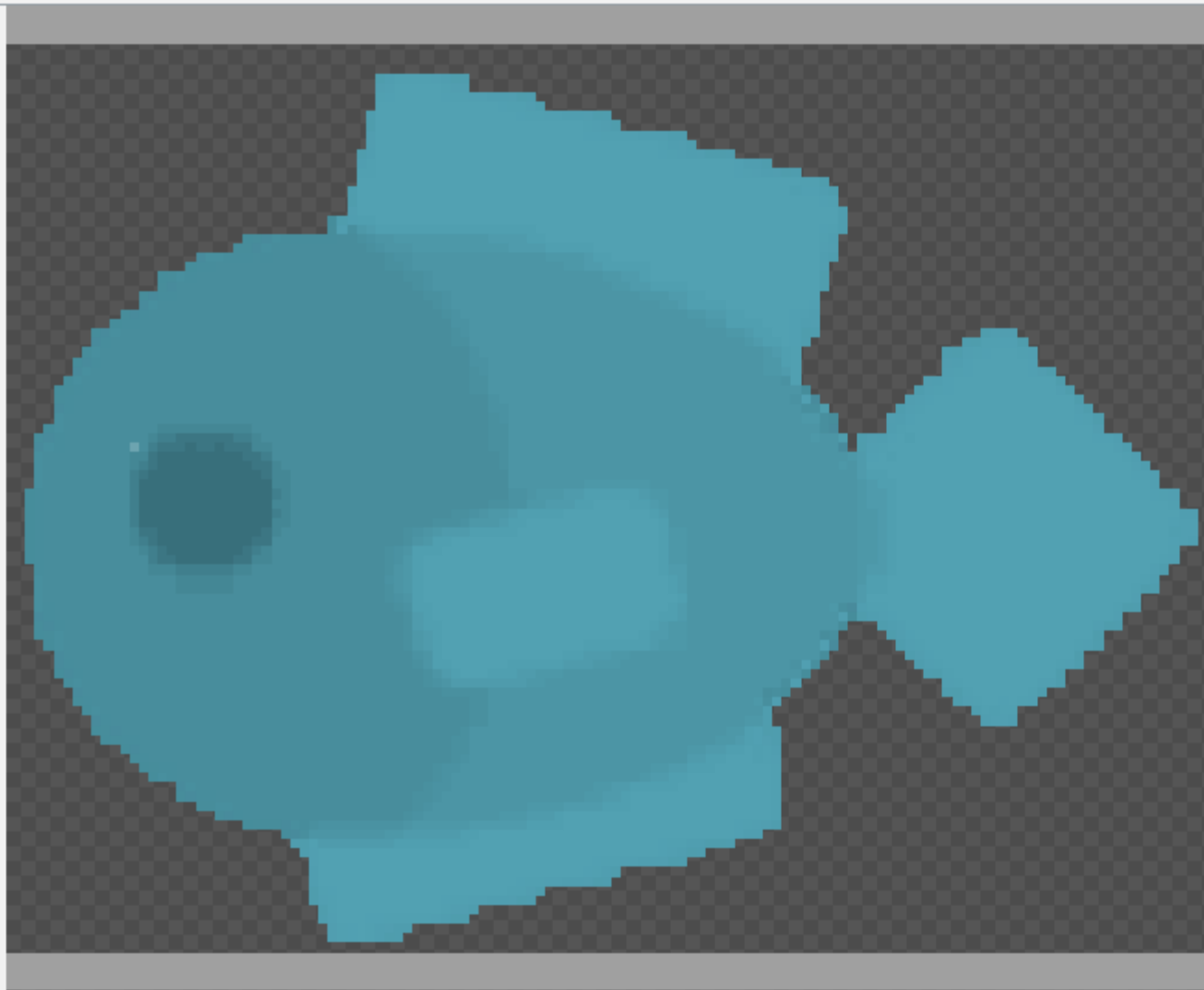
blue



new animation



+ Add new frame



x5.13
[127x96]
13:42

Code

Animation



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new animation



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What is the
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x5.13

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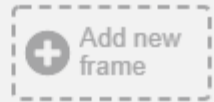
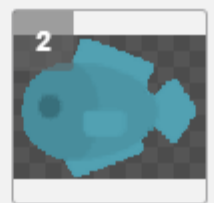
Code Animation



blue



new animation



What is the animation name?

blue

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Code

Animation



blue



new animation



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blue

What is the
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Animation's
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blue

What is the
Sprite's
name?

fish



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initial
position?

300, 200

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  fish.x = fish.x + 1;
```

```
  fish.x++;
```

```
  drawSprites();
```

```
}
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```
fish.x ++;
```

```
drawSprites();
```

```
}
```

Set up sprites

```
var fish = createSprite(300, 200) → ;
```

```
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Set up sprites

Steps to repeat

1. Initialize loop stopping variables

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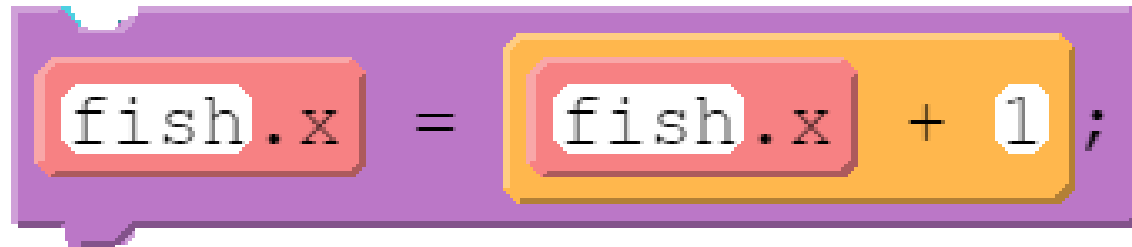
3. Steps to repeat

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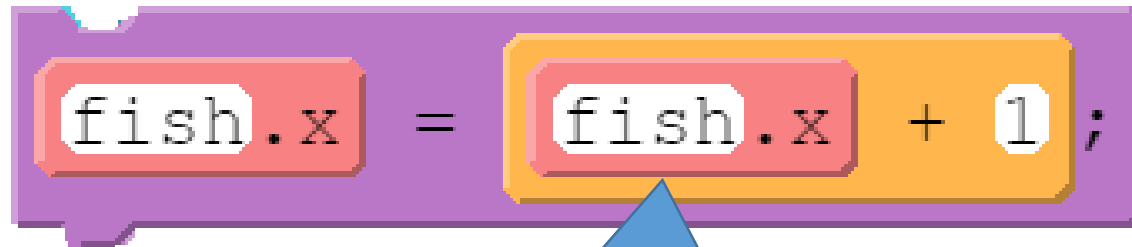
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The Counter Pattern



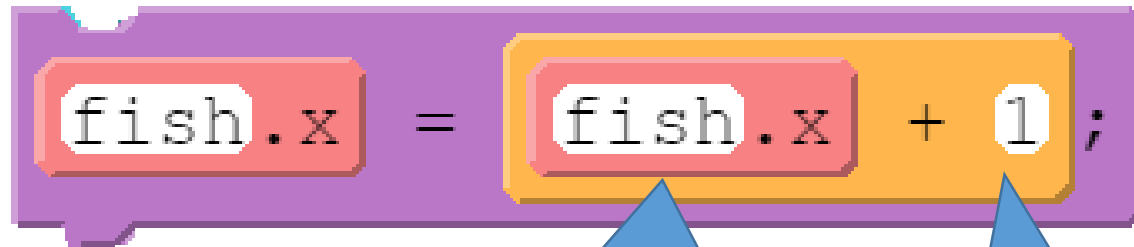
The Counter Pattern



A Scratch-style code block with a purple background. It contains the text `fish.x = fish.x + 1;`. The `fish.x` on the left is in a red box. The `fish.x` on the right is in a red box, and the `+ 1` is in an orange box.

1. Take the current value of fish.x

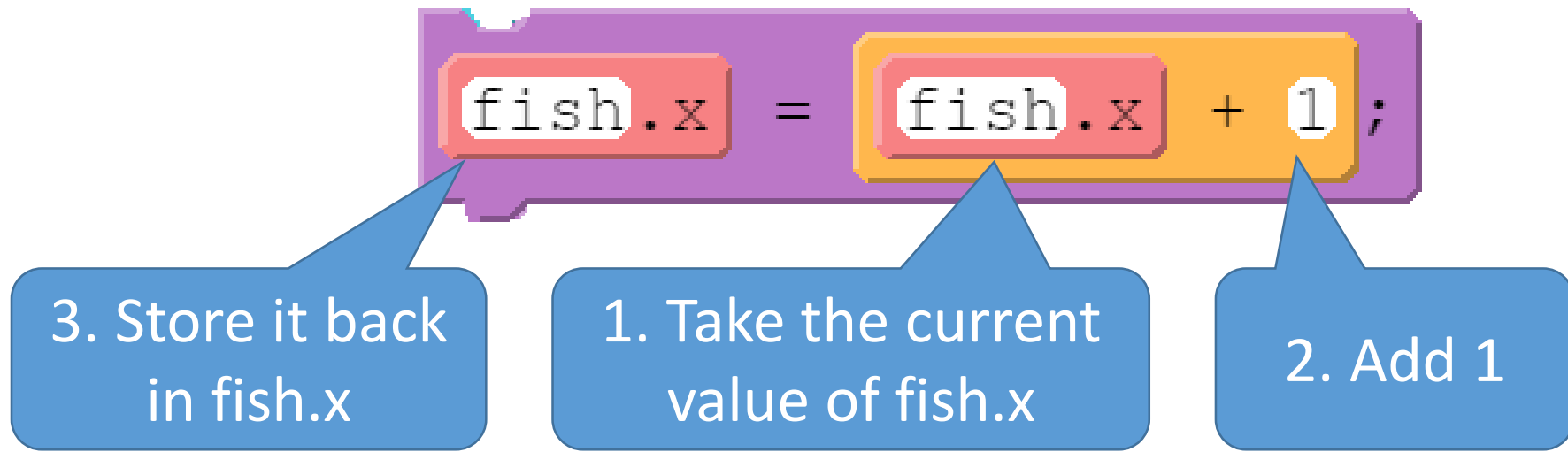
The Counter Pattern



1. Take the current value of fish.x

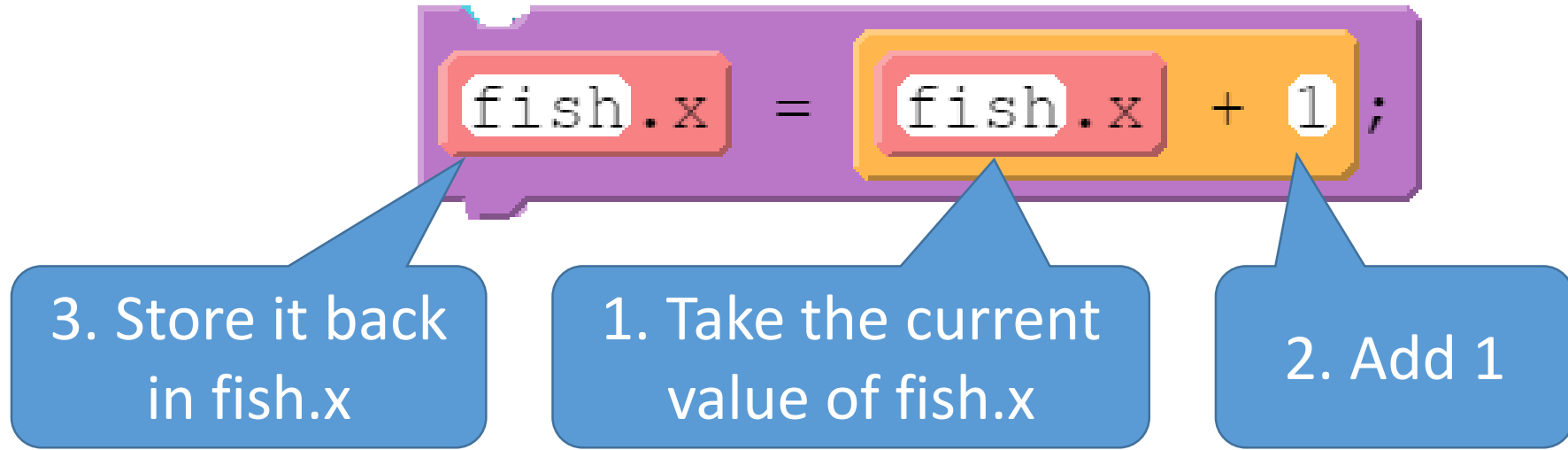
2. Add 1

The Counter Pattern



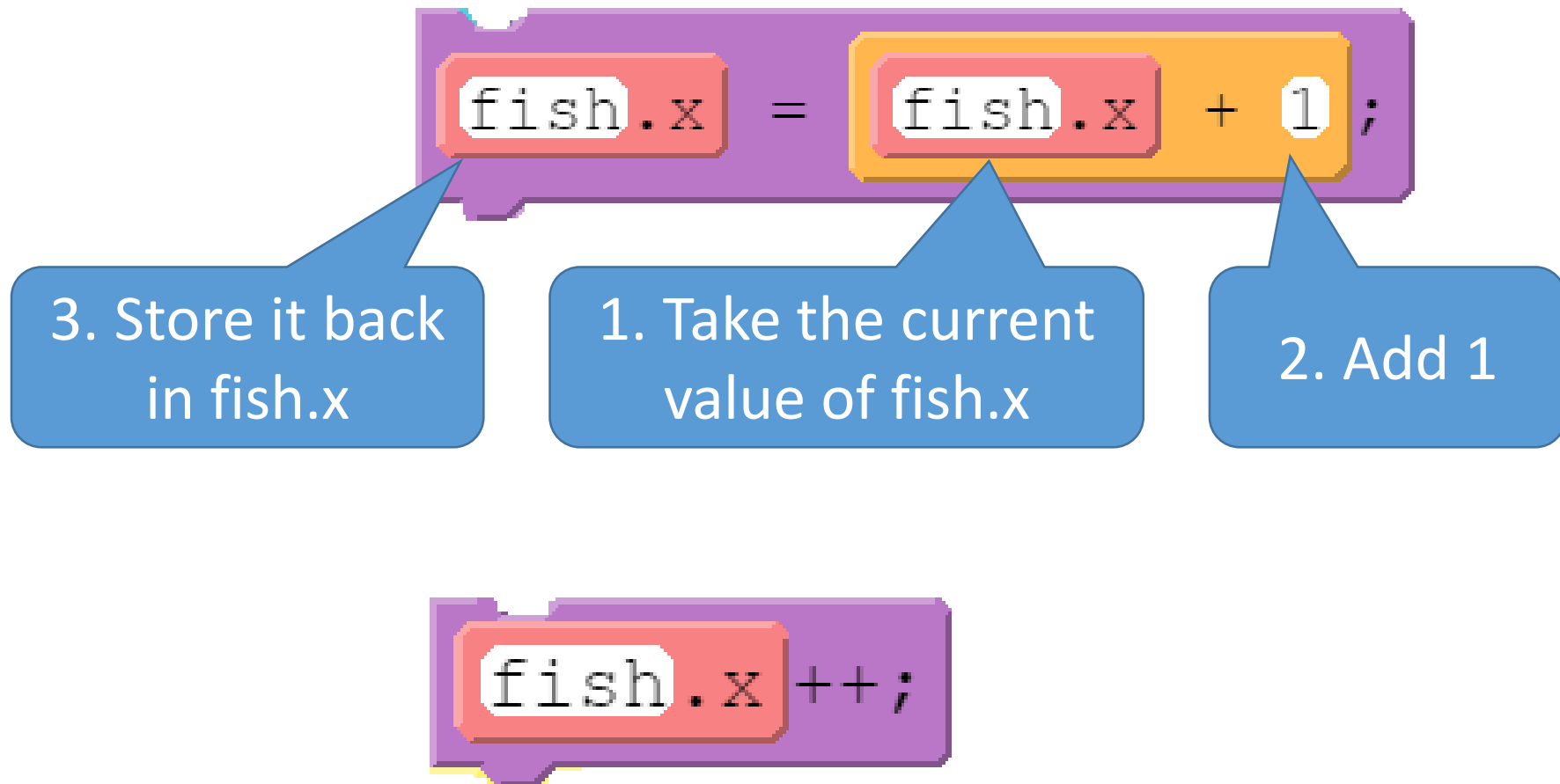
The Counter Pattern

Makes the variable increase by 1.



The Counter Pattern

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Workspace:

```
1 var apple = createSprite(200, 200);  
2 apple.setAnimation(▼ "apple_pic");  
3 apple.velocityX = 2;  
4 createEdgeSprites();  
5 function draw() {  
6   background(▼ "white");  
7   apple.bounceOff(edges);  
8   drawSprites();  
9 }  
10
```



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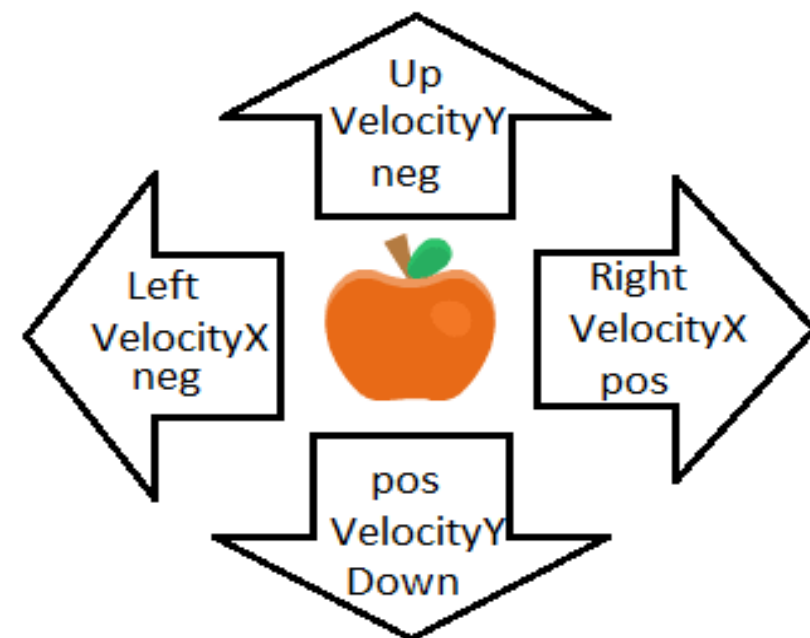
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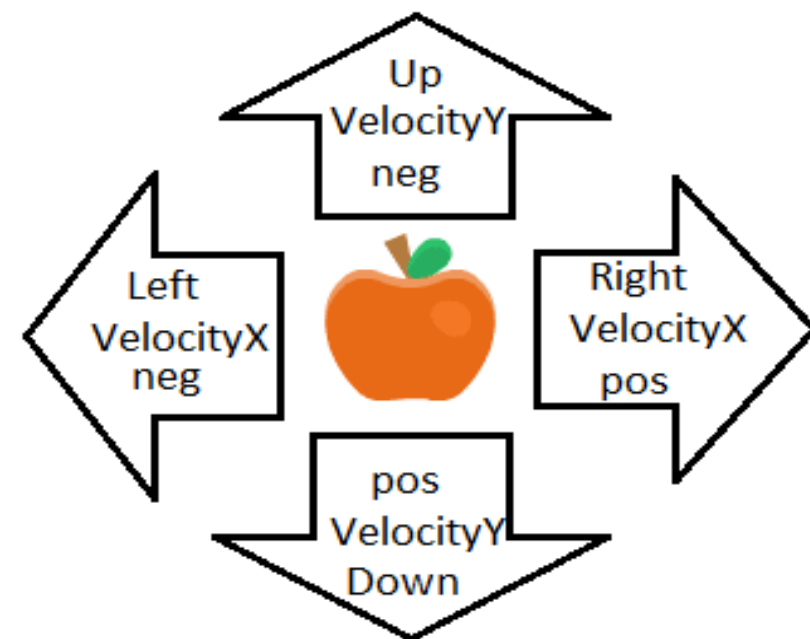
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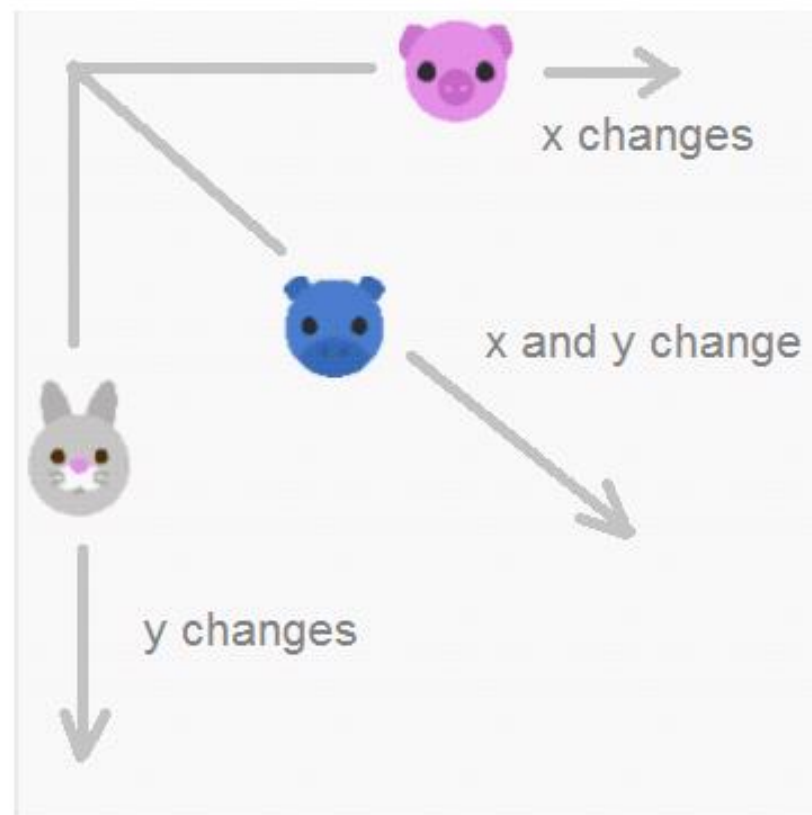
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```



Movement with the Counter Pattern

```
var hippo = createSprite(30, 30);
hippo.setAnimation(▼ "hippo");
var rabbit = createSprite(30, 90);
rabbit.setAnimation(▼ "rabbit");
var pig = createSprite(90, 30);
pig.setAnimation(▼ "pig");

function draw() {
  background(▼ "white");
  // Move the hippo down and to the right
  hippo.x = hippo.x + 2;
  hippo.y = hippo.y + 2;
  // Move the rabbit down
  rabbit.y = rabbit.y + 2;
  // Move the pig to the right
  pig.x = pig.x + 2;
  drawSprites();
}
```



The above code uses the counter pattern in the draw loop to move three sprites. Notice that each of the three sprites moves differently depending on whether you update the sprite's `x`, `y`, or both.

```
var fish = createSprite(300, 200) → ;
```

```
fish.setAnimation(▼ "blue");
```

```
fish.velocityX = 1;
```

```
function draw() { →
```

```
background(▼ "white");
```

```
fish.x = fish.x + 1;
```

```
drawSprites();
```

```
}
```

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fish.setAnimation(▼ "blue");
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fish.velocityX = 1;
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function draw() { →
```

```
background(▼ "white");
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```
fish.x = fish.x + 1;
```

```
drawSprites();
```

```
}
```

These two lines
mean the same
thing.

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Workspace:



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1 var fish = createSprite(300, 200);  
2 fish.setAnimation(▼ "blue");  
3 fish.velocityY = 1;  
4 function draw() {  
5   background(▼ "white");  
6   fish.x = fish.x - 1;  
7   drawSprites();  
8 }
```


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Workspace:



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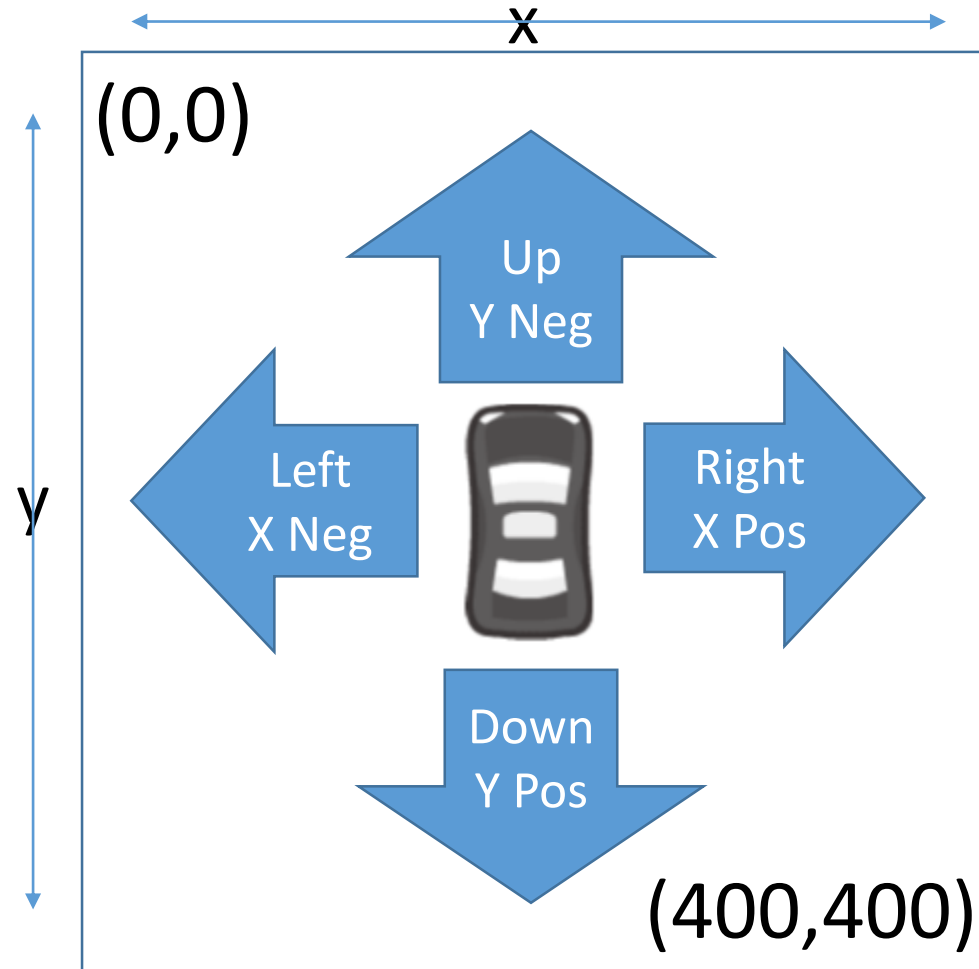
function draw() {}
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stopSound(url)
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keyWentDown(code)
keyWentUp(code)
mouseDidMove()
mouseDown(button)
mouseWentDown(button)
mouseWentUp(button)
mouseIsOver(sprite)
mousePressedOver(sprite)
showMobileControls(spaceBut

```

```

1 var car = createSprite(200, 200);
2 car.setAnimation(▼ "car_black_1");
3 car.velocityX = 3;
4 car.velocityY = 5;
5 function draw() {
6   background(▼ "white");
7   if (car.x > 360) {
8     car.velocityX = -3;
9   } else if (car.x < 40) {
10    car.velocityX = 3;
11  } else if (car.y > 330) {
12    car.velocityY = -5;
13  } else if (car.y < 70) {
14    car.velocityY = 5;
15  }
16  drawSprites();
17 }

```





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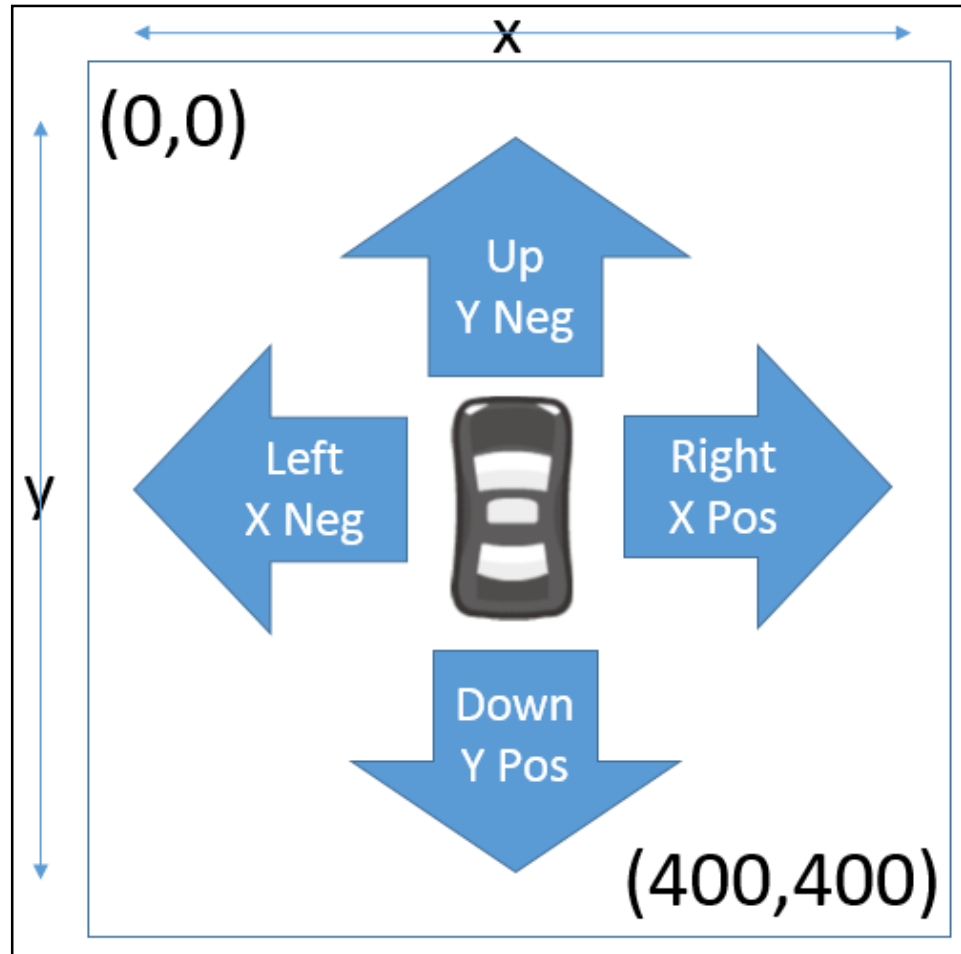
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The Car's Initial Direction

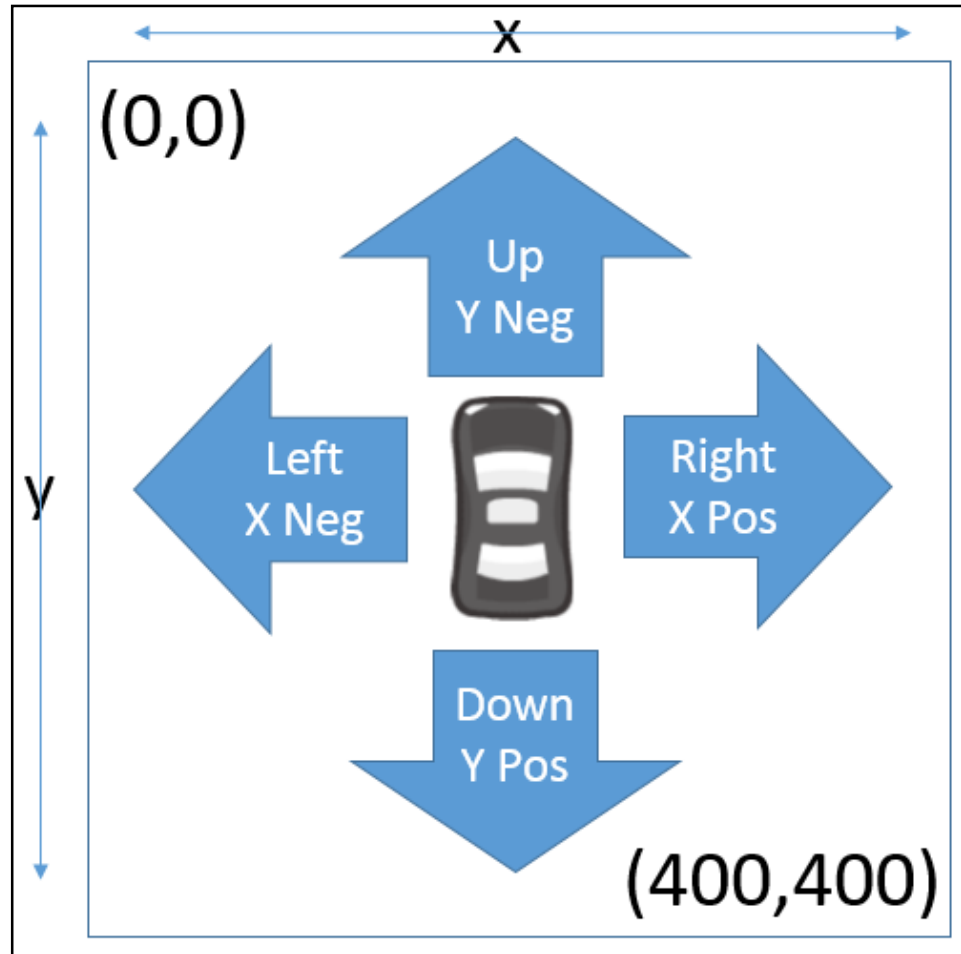
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car.velocityX = 3;
```

```
car.velocityY = 5;
```



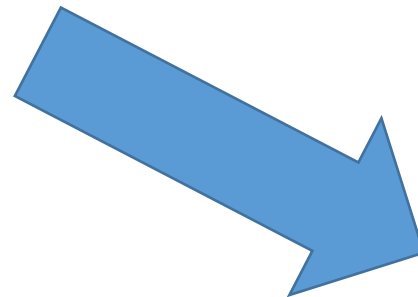
The Car's Initial
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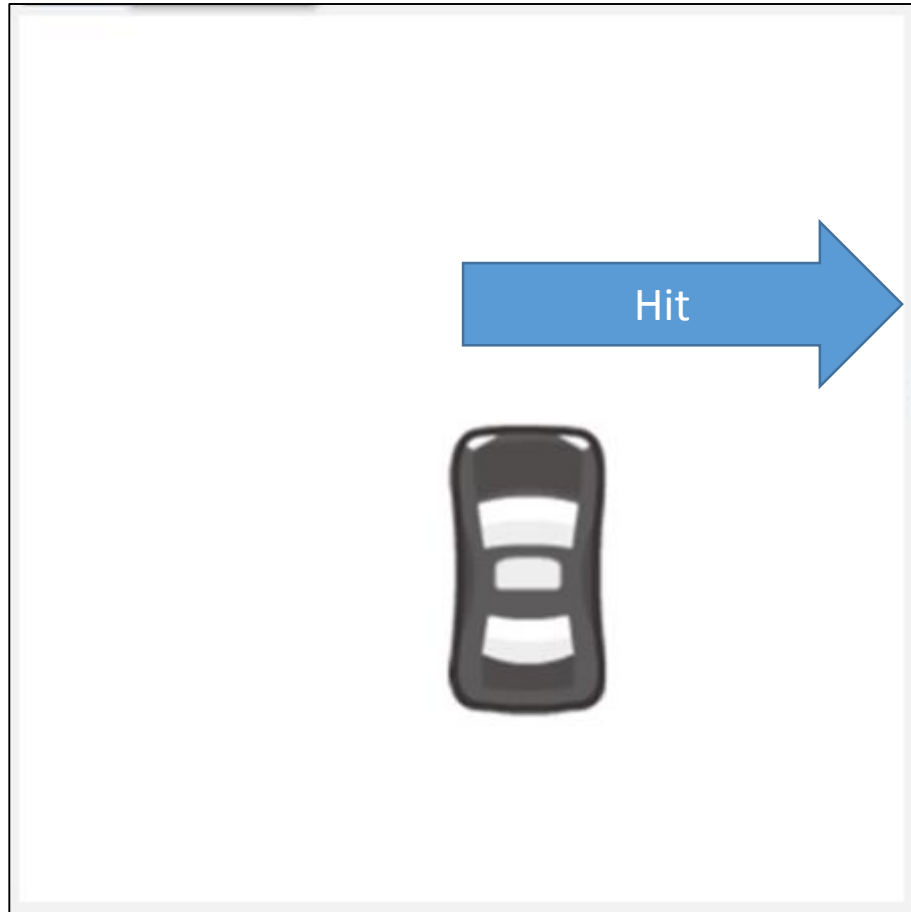
The Car's Initial
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car.velocityX = 3;  
car.velocityY = 5;
```

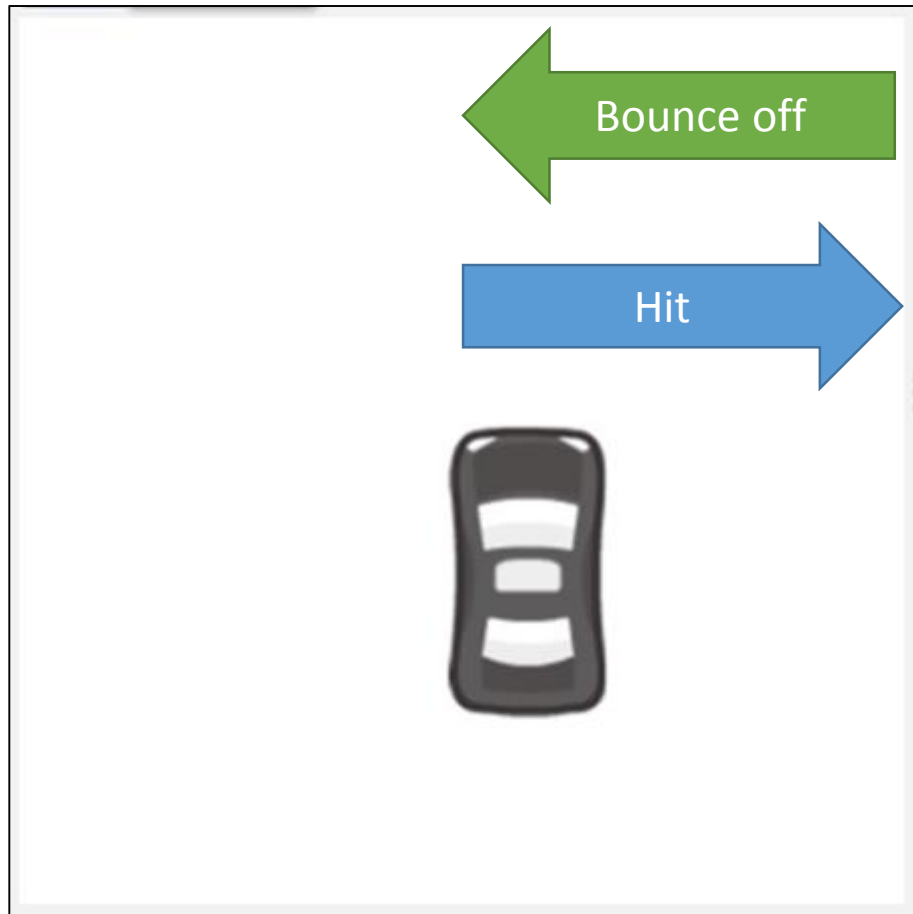




```
if ( car.x > 360 ) {  
    car.velocityX = -3;  
}
```

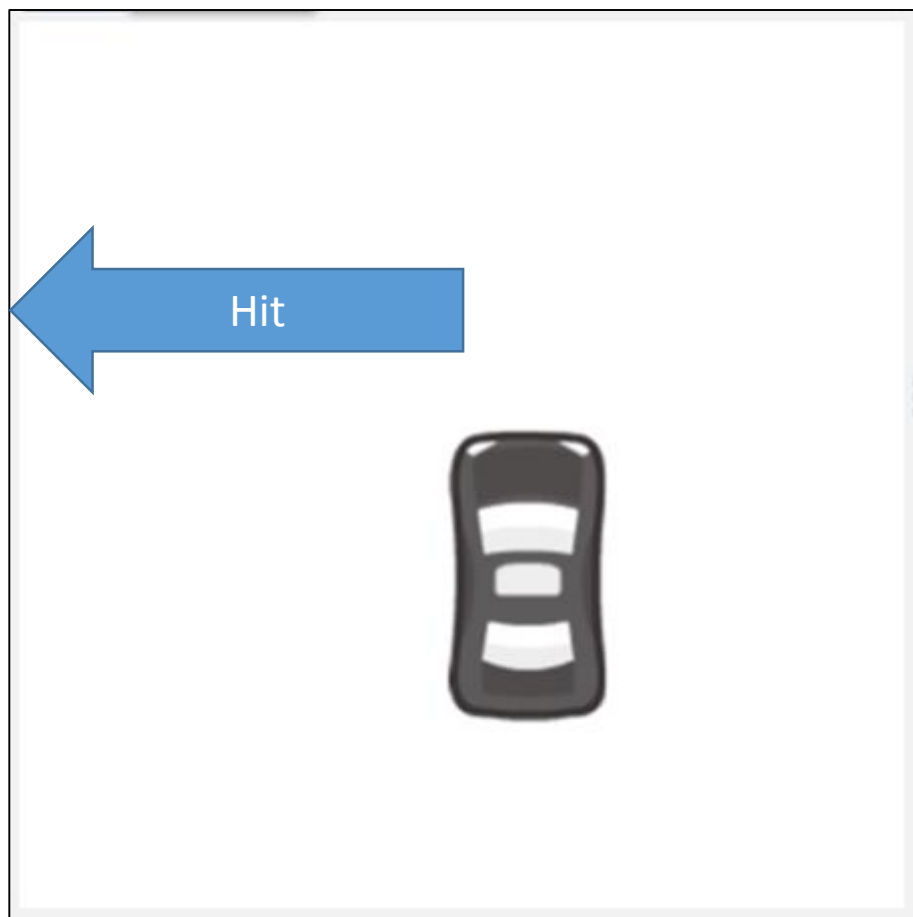
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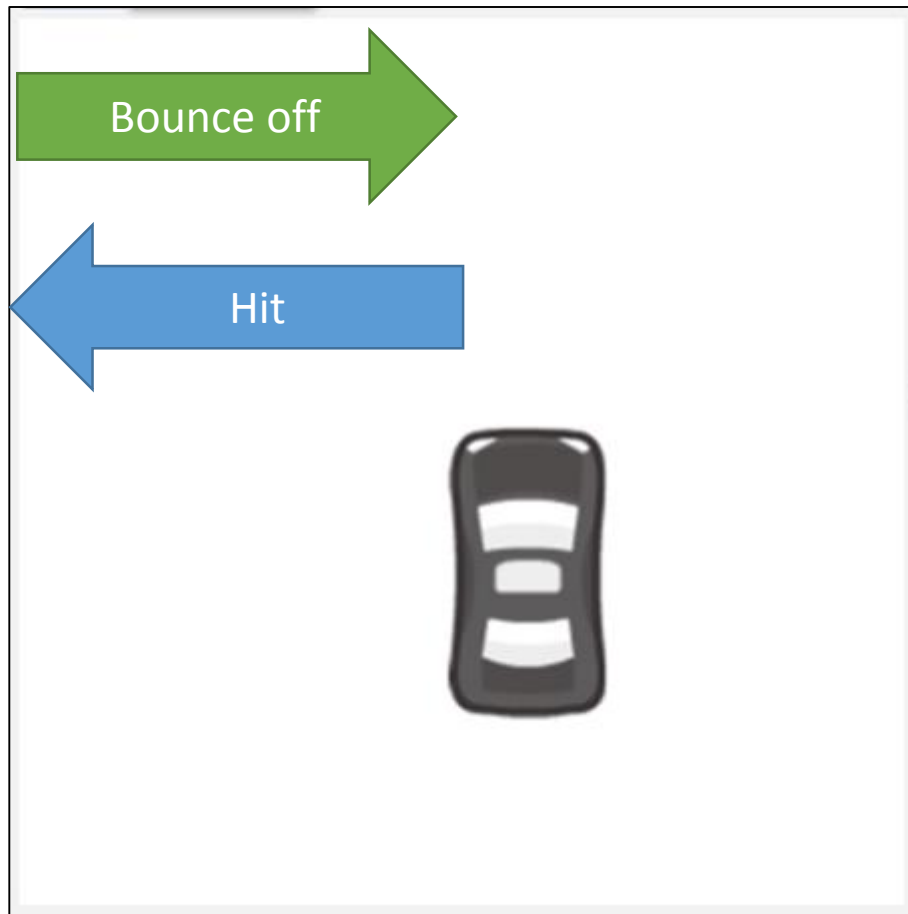
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if ( car.x > 360 ) {  
  car.velocityX = -3;  
}
```



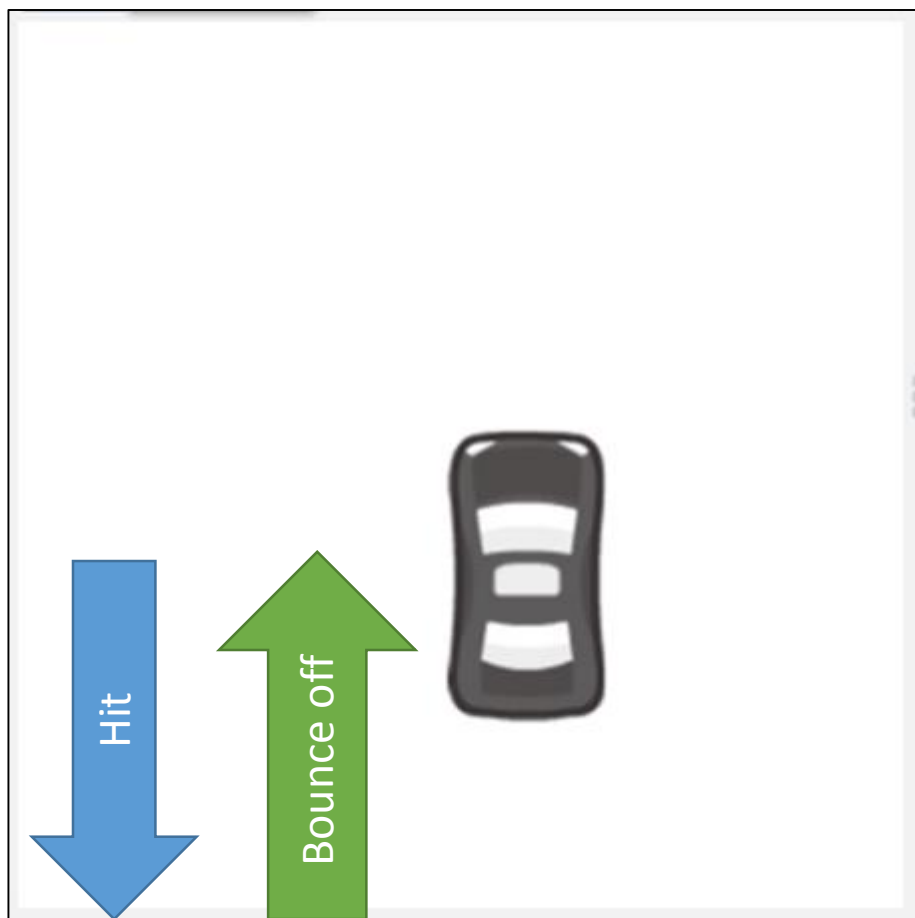
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} else if ( car.x < 40 ) {  
    car.velocityX = 3;  
}
```



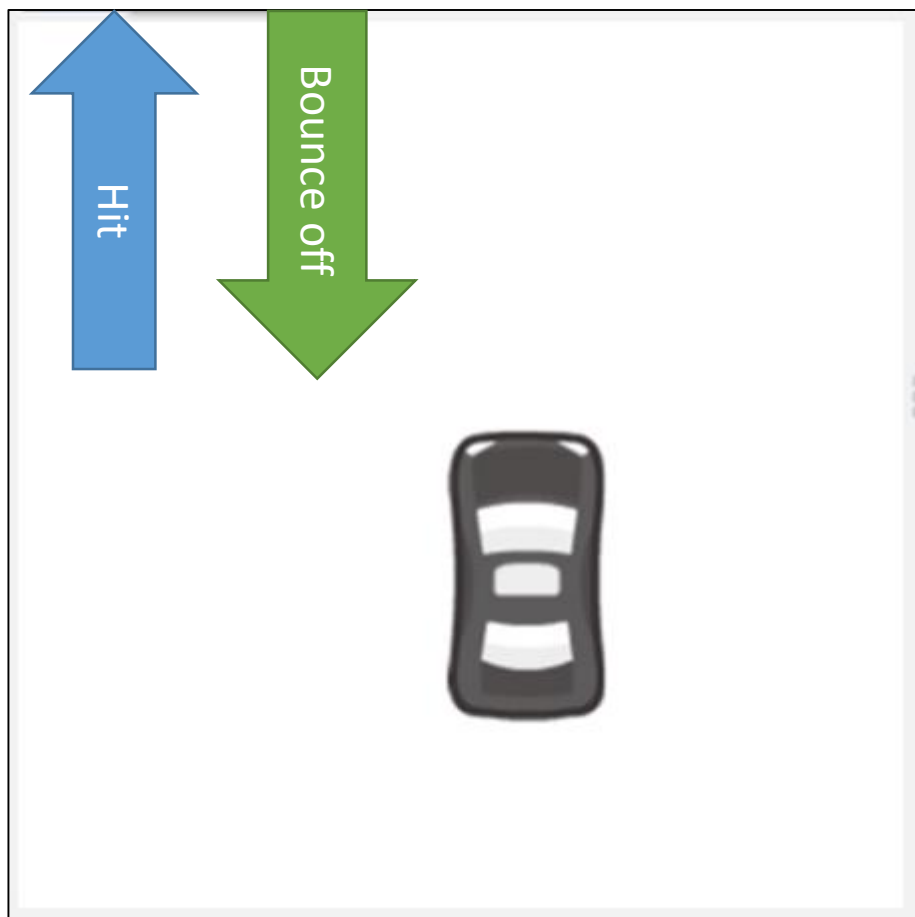
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}
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```



```
} else if ( car.y > 330 ) {  
  car.velocityY = -5;  
}
```



```
} else if ( car.y < 70 ) {  
    car.velocityY = 5;  
}
```

Movement with Velocity

The code that uses the counter pattern is on the left, and the code that uses the velocity blocks is on the right.

```
var hippo = createSprite(30, 30);
hippo.setAnimation(▼ "hippo");
var rabbit = createSprite(30, 90);
rabbit.setAnimation(▼ "rabbit");
var pig = createSprite(90, 30);
pig.setAnimation(▼ "pig");

function draw() {
  background(▼ "white");
  // Move the hippo down and to the right
  hippo.x = hippo.x + 2;
  hippo.y = hippo.y + 2;
  // Move the rabbit down
  rabbit.y = rabbit.y + 2;
  // Move the pig to the right
  pig.x = pig.x + 2;
  drawSprites();
}
```

With `velocityX` and `velocityY`, you can set the sprites' velocities when you first create them, but both programs will make the sprites move as in the picture below.

```
var hippo = createSprite(30, 30);
hippo.setAnimation(▼ "hippo");
hippo.velocityX = 2;
hippo.velocityY = 2;
var rabbit = createSprite(30, 90);
rabbit.setAnimation(▼ "rabbit");
rabbit.velocityY = 2;
var pig = createSprite(90, 30);
pig.setAnimation(▼ "pig");
pig.velocityX = 2;

function draw() {
  background(▼ "white");
  drawSprites();
}
```

Velocity

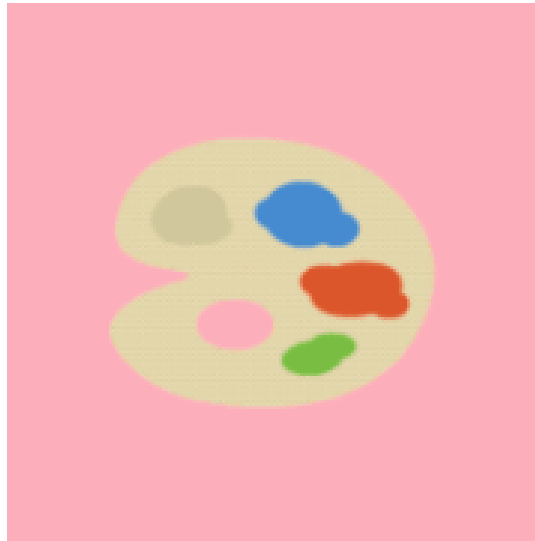
The velocity blocks (`velocityX` and `velocityY`), tell sprites how fast to move in a particular direction, just as the counter pattern did before. By hiding the counter pattern code inside a block, you can build even more complex programs.

Other Uses for the Counter Pattern

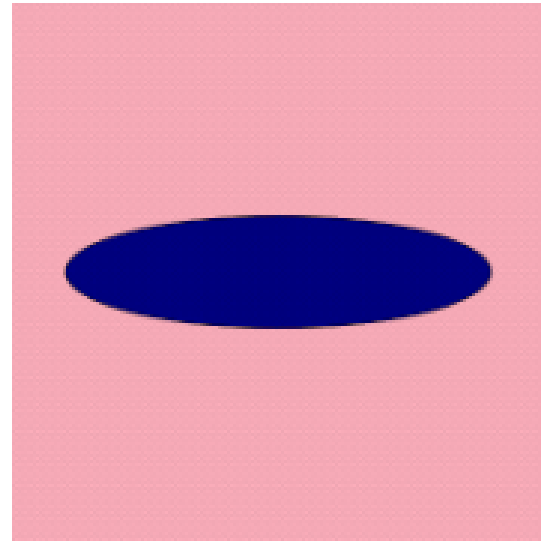
Any block that takes a number as input could be animated using the counter pattern in the draw loop. Take a look at the three following examples, each of which uses the counter pattern to animate a different aspect of the image. Below each image is an example of the code that was used *inside the Draw Loop* to produce the animation.



```
sprite.rotation = sprite.rotation - 1;
```



```
sprite.scale = sprite.scale + 0.1;
```



```
width = width + 1;  
height = height - 1;  
ellipse(200, 200, width, height);
```

Velocity and the Counter Pattern

You can use a sprite's velocity properties with the counter pattern to change a sprite's velocity during the program. This makes the sprite speed up or slow down.

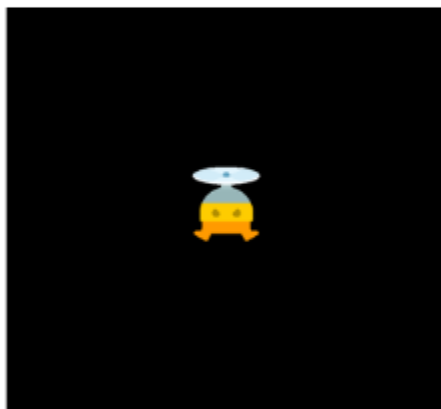
Speeding Up

To speed up a sprite that has a **positive** velocity, you need to **add** to the velocity inside the counter pattern. To speed up a sprite with a **negative** velocity, you need to **subtract** from the velocity inside the counter pattern.

Going Up

```
flybot.velocityY = -1;

function draw() {
  background("black");
  flybot.velocityY = flybot.velocityY - 1;
  drawSprites();
}
```



Going Down

```
bone.velocityY = 1;

function draw() {
  background("black");
  bone.velocityY = bone.velocityY + 1;
  drawSprites();
}
```



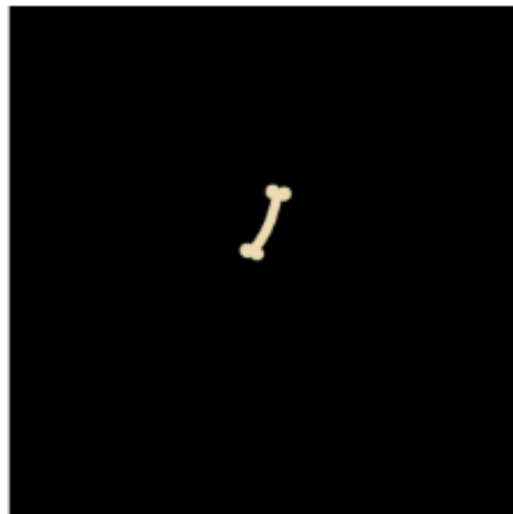
Slowing Down

To slow down a sprite that has a **positive** velocity, you need to **subtract** from the velocity inside the counter pattern. To slow down a sprite with a **positive** velocity, you need to **add** to the velocity inside the counter pattern. Once a sprite has slowed down to a stop, it will start speeding in the other direction. This can make it look like your sprite is jumping or has been thrown in the air.

Going Up

```
bone.velocityY = -25;

function draw() {
  background("black");
  bone.velocityY = bone.velocityY + 1;
  drawSprites();
}
```



Going Right

```
cart.velocityX = 25;

function draw() {
  background("black");
  cart.velocityX = cart.velocityX - 1;
  drawSprites();
}
```





```
1 var amount = 5;
2 var sprite = createSprite(100, 300);
3 sprite.setAnimation(▼ "Up");
4 sprite.velocityY = -amount;
5
6 function draw() {
7   background(▼ "green");
8   drawSprites();
9   if (keyDown(▼ "w") || sprite.y > 380) {
10     sprite.setAnimation(▼ "Up");
11     sprite.y -= amount;
12     sprite.velocityX = 0;
13     sprite.velocityY = -amount;
14   }
15   else if (keyDown(▼ "s") || sprite.y < 20) {
16     sprite.setAnimation(▼ "Down");
17     sprite.y += amount;
18     sprite.velocityX = 0;
19     sprite.velocityY = amount;
20   }
21 }
```