CMSC 117: Introduction to Computing: Interactive Systems Design Blocks Critique

Due February 13, 2012

Find a sketch on http://designblocks.net that interests you, perhaps one of the sketches from the last assignment. Answer the following questions for each sketch:

- 1. What is the name of the sketch?
- 2. Who is the author of the sketch?
- 3. Can you tell why the sketch was created (e.g. a class, an exhibition)?
- 4. Does the author credit any other work as an inspiration or base for this sketch?
- 5. What aspects of the sketches could you replicate without a computer (e.g. as a painting)?
- 6. What aspects of the sketch rely on the computer as the medium (i.e. they would be hard to reproduce without a computer)?
- 7. What drawing primitives does the author rely upon heavily in the sketch (e.g. rectangles, circles, mouse interaction, animation)?
- 8. How is the code of the sketch decomposed and organized?
- 9. How would you modify or improve upon the sketch?
- 10. Is this sketch limited by designblocks.net? How could this be improved?

Learning Objectives

- Read sketches
- Think criticially about code

Deliverable

Submit an electronic copy of your report via moodle named: designblocks_NAME.pdf.