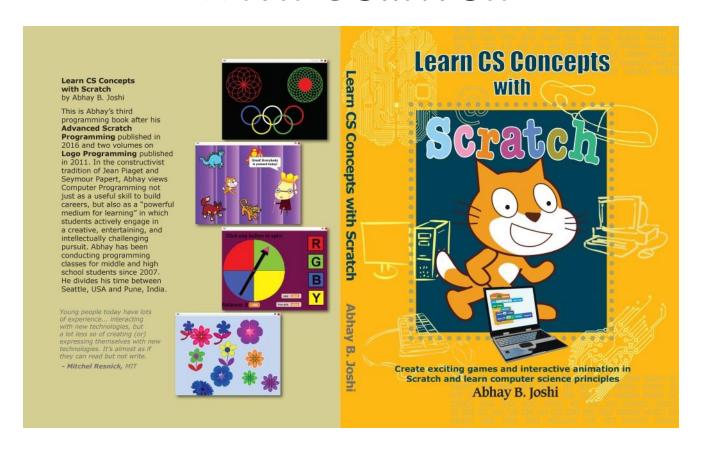
Learn CS Concepts With Scratch



Who this book is for:

This book is perfect for students who are keen to learn CS concepts and have no prior programming background. In addition to learning a lot of Computer Science concepts, you will do a series of interesting projects and programming activities. You will work on a few big projects, and you will also write many small "practice programs". You will learn and apply concepts of computer programming and computer science when you write these programs.

There is a lot of material on Scratch Programming on the Internet, including videos, online courses, Scratch projects, and so on. This book is meant to offer a more organized and tutorial-like treatment to learning Scratch. It is also focused more on learning CS concepts rather than Scratch itself.

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Contents:

Through a series of tutorials and a variety of interesting programming projects, you will learn the following Scratch and CS concepts:

Scratch User Interface

Paint editor

Sequence

Motion commands

Simple looping (repeat, forever)

Absolute motion Relative motion

Smooth motion using repeat

Nested looping XY geometry

Concurrency

Basic sound commands

Events Reset script

Costume-based animation

Multiple backdrops

Graphic effects

User interaction using keyboard

Conditions: YES/NO questions

Sensing touch

Conditionals (IF)

Conditionals (IF-Else)

Stopping scripts

Synchronization using broadcasting

User interaction using mouse pointer

Conditionals (Wait until)

Variables – numbers

Variables as sliders

Relational operators (=, <, >)

Variables as remote control

Built-in variables - properties

Motion - direction and bouncing

Arithmetic operators (+, -, *, /)

and expressions

User input (ASK)

String variables

String operations:

- Join, letter, length of

Variables – as counters

Random numbers

Algorithms

STAMP - creating images

Conditional looping (repeat until)

Object oriented programming (OOP):

- using clones

Motion – piggybacking another

object

Pen art

Procedures

Procedures with inputs

Recursion

Logic operators (AND, OR, NOT)

Conditionals (nested IF)

Random numbers:

- Mapping to a set of things

Keyboard events (polling)
Mouse events (polling)

User input (buttons)

User input validation

Variables – lists

Variables - local/global scope

Using variables as gates

Variables - as timer

Author's background

This is Abhay's third programming book after his **Advanced Scratch Programming** published in 2016 and two volumes on **Logo Programming** published in 2011. In the constructivist tradition of Piaget and Papert, Abhay views Computer Programming not just as a useful skill to build careers, but also as a "powerful medium for learning" in which students actively engage in a creative, entertaining, and intellectually challenging pursuit. Abhay has been conducting programming classes for middle and high school students since 2007. He divides his time between Seattle, USA and Pune, India.

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