

# blockst

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Render Scratch-style blocks for educational documents.

**blockst** renders Scratch-style programming blocks directly in Typst documents — for worksheets, tutorials and teaching material. Scratch code is written as plain text and rendered by a bundled WASM plugin, in 26 languages including right-to-left scripts, with a turtle-graphics execution engine and helpers for importing real `.sb3` project files.

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 About blockst

**blockst** renders Scratch-style programming blocks directly in Typst documents. It is designed for worksheets, tutorials, teaching material, and visual programming explanations — anything where Scratch-like block syntax needs to appear in print or online documentation.

The current renderer uses a text-to-WASM pipeline: Typst passes Scratch text to a bundled WASM plugin, the plugin parses and renders SVG, and Typst embeds the SVG output in the document.

### CORE DESIGN

- Fully text-based: write Scratch blocks as plain text, get rendered blocks.
- *26 languages* supported via built-in WASM locale data, including right-to-left scripts.
- *Localized* block rendering follows official Scratch translations.
- *Turtle graphics* execution engine for demonstrating program flow visually.
- *SB3 import* helpers for reading real Scratch project files.

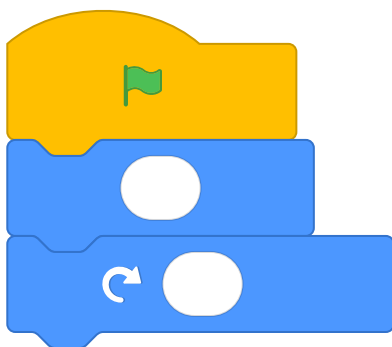
### BREAKING CHANGE SINCE 0.2.0

The old pre-0.2.0 native-Typst renderer syntax is **removed**. From 0.2.0 onward, blockst uses only the text-to-WASM pipeline. Documents that still rely on the previous syntax must be migrated.

## 1.2 Quick start

```
#import "@preview/blockst:0.3.0": blockst, scratch, raw-scratch, sb3

#scratch("
when green flag clicked
move (10) steps
turn cw (15) degrees
")
```



## 1.3 Package information

- **Version:** 0.3.0
- **License:** MIT
- **Repository:** [github.com/Loewe1000/blockst](https://github.com/Loewe1000/blockst)
- **Compiler requirement:** Typst 0.15.0+

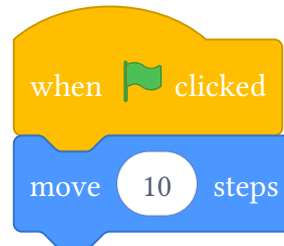
- **Font requirement:** Designed for Helvetica Neue (Scratch look). On Linux/Windows install a compatible font (e.g. Nimbus Sans) or override via [set-blockst](#).

## 2 Core Rendering API

### 2.1 scratch() — Render Scratch Blocks

The primary function for rendering Scratch blocks. It parses Scratch-like text and produces visual blocks.

```
#scratch("when green flag clicked\nmove (10)\nsteps")
```



#### 2.1.1 Signature

```
#scratch(  
  text,  
  language: "en",  
  theme: auto,  
  scale: auto,  
  line-numbers: auto,  
  line-number-start: auto,  
  line-number-gutter: auto,  
  inset-scale: auto,  
)
```

#### 2.1.2 Parameters

| Name               | Default      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| text               | – (required) | Scratch block text. Supports blocks, reporters, booleans, inputs, dropdowns, and nested control structures.                                                                                                                                                                   |
| language           | "en"         | Locale for block text. See <a href="#">Languages</a> for available options.                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| theme              | auto         | Visual theme: "normal", "high-contrast", "print", "grayscale", or auto (global default).                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| scale              | auto         | Overall size multiplier (e.g. 80%, 0.8, 50%).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| font               | auto         | Font for block labels. Set it here rather than with <code>#set text(font: ...)</code> : the renderer measures each label and writes the font into the SVG, so a document-level <code>set text</code> changes what is drawn but not what was measured, and the labels overlap. |
| line-numbers       | auto         | Show line numbers (true or false).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| line-number-start  | auto         | Starting line number (integer, default 1).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| line-number-gutter | auto         | Width of line number gutter (pt, default 24).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| inset-scale        | auto         | Proportional block geometry scaling. 100% = default, 60% = thin blocks, 125% = thick blocks. Does not affect text size.                                                                                                                                                       |

### 2.1.3 Supported block syntax

The text parser supports the full Scratch 3 block vocabulary in all 26 locales. Key syntax patterns:

| Pattern                  | Example                                               | Description                                          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Stack block              | <code>move (10) steps</code>                          | Standard command block                               |
| Hat block                | <code>when green flag clicked</code>                  | Event trigger                                        |
| Reporter                 | <code>(x position)</code>                             | Value reporter (round ends)                          |
| Boolean                  | <code>&lt;mouse down?&gt;</code>                      | Predicate (pointy ends)                              |
| Input: number            | <code>(10)</code>                                     | Numeric input field                                  |
| Input: string            | <code>[hello]</code>                                  | String input field                                   |
| Input: dropdown          | <code>[random position v]</code>                      | Dropdown selector                                    |
| C-block                  | <code>repeat (4)\n...\nend</code>                     | Block with body                                      |
| C-block + else           | <code>if &lt;...&gt; then\n...\nelse\n...\nend</code> | Conditional with else                                |
| Line labels              | <code>move (10) steps #step</code>                    | Named label (see <a href="#">Labels</a> )            |
| Category prefix          | <code>@motion free text</code>                        | Force category color (see <a href="#">category</a> ) |
| Category prefix (render) | <code>#text("@category") + text</code>                | Matches real block when text fits                    |

## 2.2 set-blockst() — Global Defaults

Sets global rendering options for all subsequent `scratch()` and SB3 render calls.

```
#set-blockst(
  theme: none,
  scale: none,
  stroke-width: none,
  font: none,
  line-numbers: none,
  line-number-start: none,
  line-number-gutter: none,
  inset-scale: none,
)
```

All parameters are optional. Only provided values override the current defaults.

### 2.2.1 Themes

| Theme           | Description                                                                                                       |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "normal"        | Default — full color Scratch style.                                                                               |
| "high-contrast" | Lighter, high-contrast variant for accessibility.                                                                 |
| "print"         | Every block white with a black outline. The lightest on ink, but all categories look alike.                       |
| "grayscale"     | One distinct grey per category, so a control block still reads differently from an operator on a monochrome page. |

```
#set-blockst(theme: "print", scale: 70%)
#scratch("when green flag clicked\nmove (10) steps")
```

### 2.2.2 Fonts

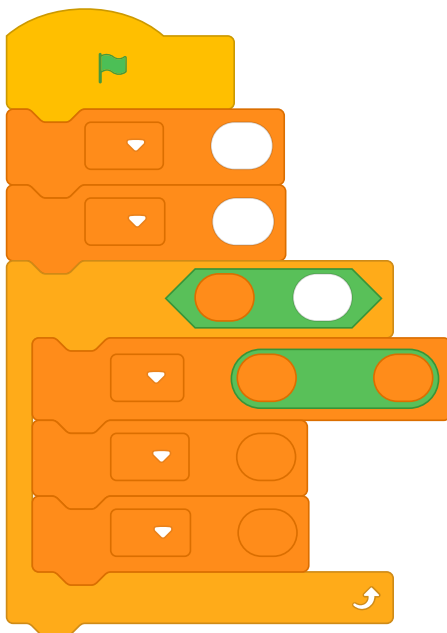
```
#set-blockst(font: "Nimbus Sans")
```

The default font is Helvetica Neue. On systems without it, set an alternative.

### 2.2.3 Line numbers

```
#set-blockst(line-numbers: true, line-number-start: 1, line-number-gutter: 24)
```

#### Euclidean Algorithm (gcd label walkthrough)



#### Explanation of labeled lines

- **Line 4:** Loop condition  $b \neq 0$  controls termination.
- **Line 5:** Core rule:  $r = a \bmod b$ .
- **Line 7:** State update that advances to the next pair.

### 2.2.4 Inset scale

Controls the visual thickness/slimness of blocks without changing text size.

```
#set-blockst(inset-scale: 60%) // compact blocks
#set-blockst(inset-scale: 125%) // generous blocks
```

## 2.3 blockst() — Group Override Container

Optional wrapper for grouped blocks that differ from global settings.

```
#blockst(
  theme: auto,
  scale: auto,
  line-numbers: auto,
  line-number-start: auto,
  line-number-gutter: auto,
  inset-scale: auto,
  spacing: 1.5em,
  body,
)
```

All parameters match `scratch()` but apply only within the body. Use when a specific group of blocks needs different scaling or theme.

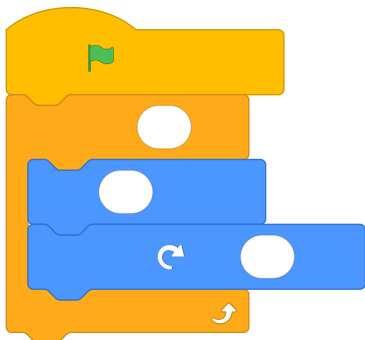
```
#blockst(theme: "high-contrast") [  
  #scratch("when green flag clicked\nmove (10) steps")  
]
```

## 3 Languages

blockst supports **26 languages** via built-in WASM locale data. Set via `scratch(..., language: "de")` or `set-blockst(...)`.

| Code | Language   | Code | Language           |
|------|------------|------|--------------------|
| "en" | English    | "de" | German             |
| "fr" | French     | "es" | Spanish            |
| "it" | Italian    | "nl" | Dutch              |
| "pt" | Portuguese | "pl" | Polish             |
| "ru" | Russian    | "ja" | Japanese           |
| "ca" | Catalan    | "cs" | Czech              |
| "cy" | Welsh      | "el" | Greek              |
| "fa" | Persian    | "gd" | Scottish Gaelic    |
| "he" | Hebrew     | "hi" | Hindi              |
| "hr" | Croatian   | "hu" | Hungarian          |
| "id" | Indonesian | "nb" | Norwegian (Bokmål) |
| "ro" | Romanian   | "sl" | Slovenian          |
| "tr" | Turkish    | "ar" | Arabic             |

```
#set-blockst(scale: 67.5%)
#scratch("
Wenn die grüne Flagge angeklickt
wiederhole (4) mal
  gehe (30) er Schritt
  drehe dich nach rechts um (90) Grad
end
", language: "de")
```



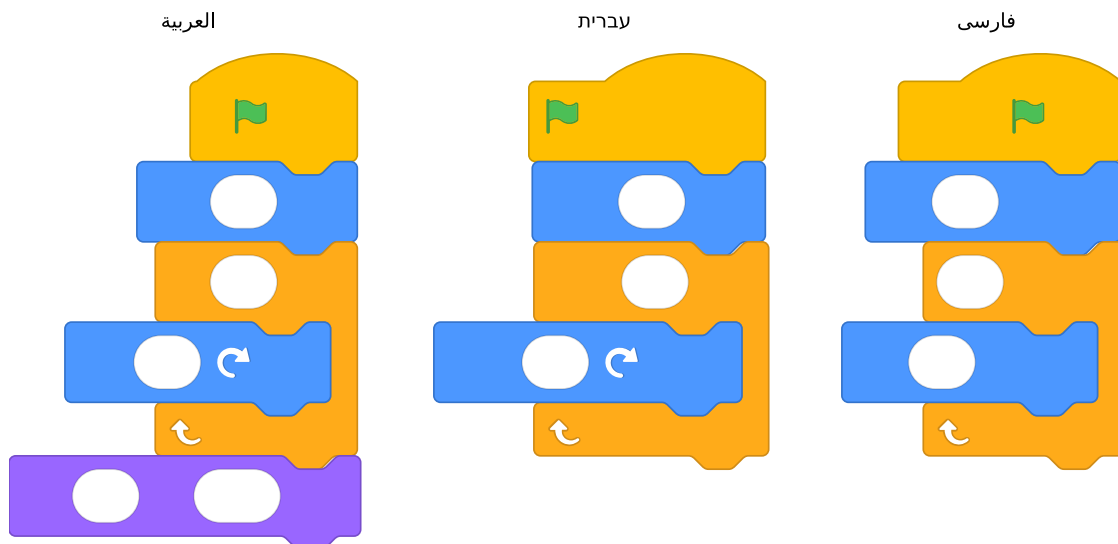
Block text must match the chosen locale's vocabulary — the parser matches against official Scratch translations.

### 3.1 Right-to-left languages

Arabic ("ar"), Hebrew ("he") and Persian ("fa") render right-to-left. Nothing has to be switched on: each locale declares its own direction, and the renderer mirrors the layout — the notch, the hat dome, the

C-block mouth, the loop arrow, the pen badge, the `define` hat and the order of the labels all move to the reading edge.

```
#scratch("
عند @greenFlag
تحرك (10) خطوة
كرّر (4) مرة
درجة (90) @turnRight
نهاية
", language: "ar")
```



#### WHAT IS MIRRORED, AND WHAT IS NOT

Layout is mirrored; meaning is not. The loop arrow points back to the top of the loop, which is a claim about the drawing, so it flips with the drawing. `@turnRight` and `@turnLeft` are never mirrored — their direction is what the sprite is being told to do, and a mirrored `@turnRight` would tell the reader to turn the other way.

Arabic short vowels are optional and their order is not canonical, so blocks match whether or not you type the harakat: `كرّر` and `كرّر` both find the repeat block.

## 4 Labels and Line Numbers

blockst provides a label system for creating line-aware worksheets. Lines ending with `#label-name` are tagged and can be referenced later.

### 4.1 `scratch-labels()` — Extract Labels

Parses Scratch text and returns a dictionary mapping label names to line numbers.

```
#let labels = scratch-labels("
repeat (4) #loop
  move (20) steps #step
  turn cw (90) degrees
end
")
// labels = {"loop": 1, "step": 2}
```

### 4.2 `blockst-labels()` — Query Labels

Queries globally collected labels from all rendered `scratch()` calls.

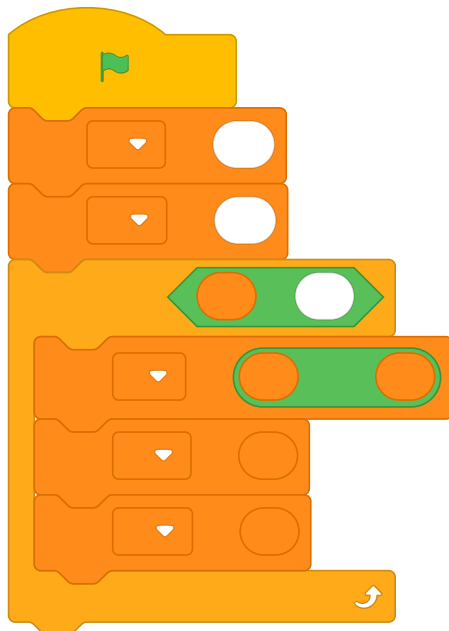
```
#blockst-labels("loop") // → line number or "NaN"
#blockst-labels()       // → full label → line dictionary
```

### 4.3 `blockst-register-labels()` — Pre-register Labels

Register labels globally without rendering blocks. Useful when labels are needed before the first block output.

```
#blockst-register-labels("
repeat (4) #loop
  move (20) steps #step
end
")
```

## Euclidean Algorithm (gcd label walkthrough)



### Explanation of labeled lines

- **Line 4:** Loop condition  $b \neq 0$  controls termination.
- **Line 5:** Core rule:  $r = a \bmod b$ .
- **Line 7:** State update that advances to the next pair.

## 5 @category — Quick Color Defaults

Use @category prefix to force a block's category color, even without matching full localized syntax.

```
@motion           // → default motion block
@motion free text // → unrecognized block in motion color
```

Available categories:

| Token      | Normalized | Default Block                    |
|------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| @motion    | motion     | move (10) steps                  |
| @looks     | looks      | say [Hello!]                     |
| @sound     | sound      | play sound [pop v]               |
| @events    | events     | when green flag clicked          |
| @control   | control    | repeat (10)                      |
| @sensing   | sensing    | ask [What's your name?] and wait |
| @operators | operators  | (( ) + ( ))                      |
| @variable  | variables  | set [var v] to (0)               |
| @list      | lists      | add (thing) to [list v]          |
| @pen       | pen        | clear                            |
| @event     | events     | (alias for events)               |
| @operator  | operators  | (alias for operators)            |

When @category is followed by text that matches a known block in that category, the actual block is rendered:

```
@list add (12) to [my list v] // → DATA_ADDTOLIST
@variable change [score v] by (1) // → DATA_CHANGEVARIABLEBY
```

If the text does not match any known block, the fallback is an unrecognized block in the forced category color.

## 6 Parsing API

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### 6.1 scratch-parse() — Parse to AST

Parses Scratch text to an abstract syntax tree for programmatic use.

```
#scratch-parse(  
  text,           // Scratch block text  
  language: "en", // locale for parsing  
)
```

Returns a nested structure representing blocks, inputs, and bodies.

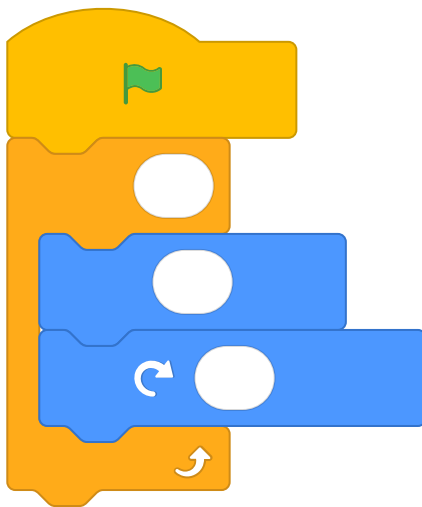
## 7 Markdown Code Blocks with raw-scratch

The `raw-scratch()` show rule converts scratch code fences into rendered blocks automatically.

```
#show: raw-scratch(language: "en") // locale for block text
```

Then use scratch code fences in your document:

```
when green flag clicked
repeat (4)
  move (30) steps
  turn cw (90) degrees
end
```



Optionally pass language: `raw-scratch(language: „de“)` in the show rule.

## 8 Theme and Styling Examples

```
#let script = "when green flag clicked
go to (random position v)
turn cw (30) degrees"

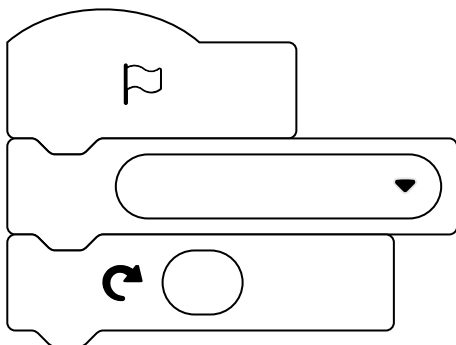
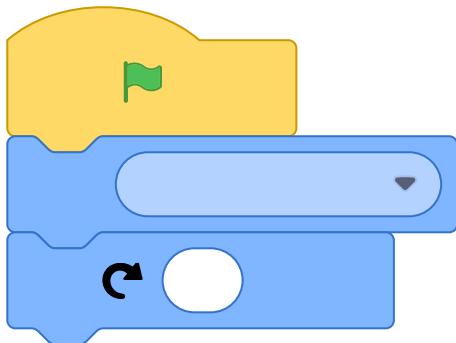
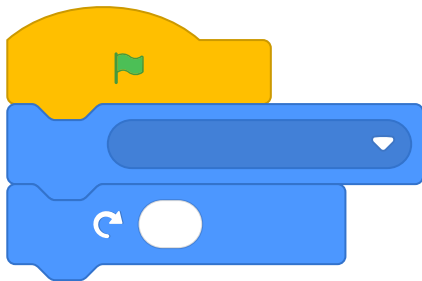
#blockst(inset-scale: 50%)[#scratch(script)]

#v(5mm)

#blockst(theme: "high-contrast")[#scratch(script)]

#v(5mm)

#blockst(theme: "print")[#scratch(script)]
```



## 9 Turtle Graphics / Executable Scratch

blockst includes an execution engine that runs Scratch programs visually — ideal for demonstrating program flow and pen drawing.

### 9.1 scratch-run Module

Import via the `scratch-run` module:

```
#import "@preview/blockst:0.3.0": scratch-run, set-scratch-run

#scratch-run.stage("...", scale: 2)
#scratch-run.grid("...", grid: true)
```

#### 9.1.1 scratch-run.stage() — Stage Canvas

Renders pen drawing on a stage canvas, like the Scratch stage.

```
#scratch-run.stage(
  program,
  language: "en",      // locale for block text
  size: auto,          // (width, height) in pixels (default 480×360)
  scale: auto,         // drawing scale multiplier
  start: auto,         // (x: 0, y: 0, angle: 90)
  pen: auto,           // (down: false, color: ..., size: ...)
  background: auto,    // background color (e.g. white, black)
  cursor: auto,        // show/hide turtle cursor (default: true)
  border: auto,        // show/hide stage border (default: true)
)
```

#### 9.1.2 scratch-run.grid() — Coordinate Grid

Renders the drawing on a Cartesian coordinate grid with optional axes and grid lines.

```
#scratch-run.grid(
  program,
  language: "en",      // locale for block text
  x: auto,             // view bounds (tuple, e.g. (-10, 10))
  y: auto,             // view bounds (tuple)
  step: auto,          // grid step size
  scale: auto,         // drawing scale multiplier
  start: auto,         // (x: 0, y: 0, angle: 90)
  pen: auto,           // (down: false, color: ..., size: ...)
  background: auto,    // background color
  axes: auto,          // show axis lines (default: false)
  grid: auto,          // show grid lines (default: false)
  grid-style: auto,    // grid line stroke (default: 0.5pt + gray)
  cursor: auto,        // show/hide turtle cursor (default: true)
  fit: auto,           // auto-fit view to drawing bounds
)
```

#### 9.1.3 set-scratch-run() — Run Global Defaults

```
#set-scratch-run(
  scale: none,         // default scale for all runs
  start: none,         // (x: 0, y: 0, angle: 90)
  pen: none,           // (down: false, color: ..., size: ...)
  background: none,    // default background color
)
```

```

cursor: none,      // show/hide turtle cursor (default: true)
stage: none,       // (size: (480, 360), border: true)
grid: none,        // (visible: false, axes: false, step: auto, style: auto)
)

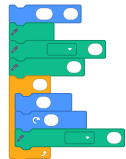
```

### 9.1.4 Supported Execution Commands

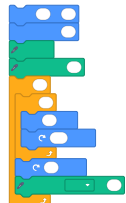
| Category  | Commands                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Motion    | move, turn-right, turn-left, set-direction, go-to, set-x, set-y, change-x, change-y                                                                                                                                              |
| Pen       | pen-down, pen-up, set-pen-color, set-pen-size, change-pen-size, erase-all, stamp, set-pen-param, change-pen-param                                                                                                                |
| Variables | set-variable, change-variable, variable                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Operators | plus, minus, multiply, divide, modulo, random, round, greater, less, equals, op-and, op-or, op-not                                                                                                                               |
| Control   | repeat, repeat-until, if-then, if-else, wait                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Looks     | say, think                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Shapes    | square, triangle, circle, star, spiral                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| German    | gehe, drehe-rechts, drehe-links, setze-richtung, gehe-zu, stift-ein, stift-aus, setze-stiftfarbe-auf, setze-stiftdicke, setze-variable, aendere-variable, groesser, kleiner, gleich, und, oder, nicht, mal, geteilt, zufallszahl |

### 9.1.5 Complete Example

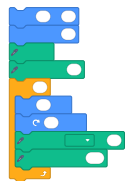
1) Hue Square



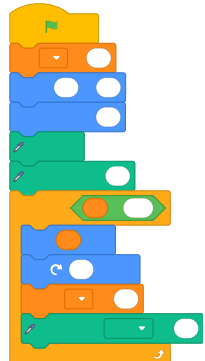
2) Star Rosette (Nested repeat)



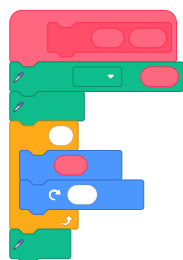
3) Colored Spiral (Hue + pen size)



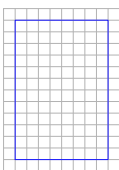
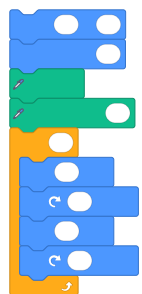
4) Conditional Loop



5) Custom Block: Triangle Pattern



6) Grid Preview (Axes + fixed bounds)



```
#let square-program = "  
go to x: (-45) y: (45)  
pen down  
set pen [color v] to (0)  
set pen size to (45)  
repeat (4)  
  move (90) steps  
  turn cw (90) degrees  
  change pen [color v] by (25)  
end"  
  
#set-scratch-run(  
  stage: (size: (300, 240)),  
  start: (x: 0, y: 0, angle: 90),  
)  
  
#grid(  
  columns: (auto, auto),  
  gutter: 6mm,  
  [#scratch(square-program)],  
  [#scratch-run.stage(square-program, scale: 2)],  
)
```

## 10 SB3 Import API

blockst can read real Scratch 3 project files ( `.sb3` ) and extract scripts, variables, lists, images, and screen previews.

### 10.1 Basic Workflow

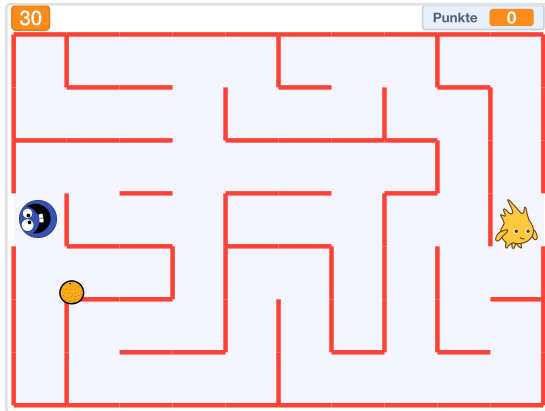
```
#let project = read("my-project.sb3", encoding: none)

#sb3.render-sb3-scripts(project, language: "en", target: "Sprite1")
```

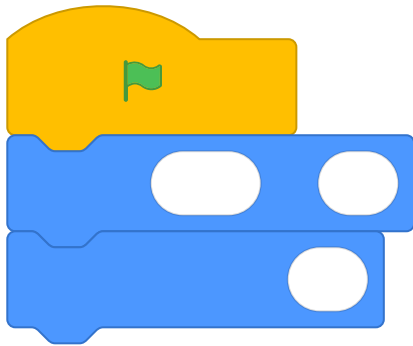
The `.sb3` file must be read as raw bytes ( `encoding: none` ).

### 10.2 render-sb3-scripts()

```
#sb3.render-sb3-scripts(
  sb3-bytes,           // raw .sb3 file bytes (read with encoding: none)
  script-number: auto, // global script index (1-based)
  target-script-number: auto, // script index within selected target
  target: auto,        // filter by target name ("Stage", sprite name, or auto for
all)
  sb3-plugin: auto,    // WASM plugin path (auto = bundled plugin)
  language: "en",      // locale for block text
  show-headers: auto,  // show target name header
  header-gap: 1.5mm,   // spacing between target name and scripts
  script-gap: 3mm,     // spacing between individual scripts
)
```



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## 10.3 render-sb3-variables()

```
#sb3.render-sb3-variables(
  sb3-bytes,           // raw .sb3 file bytes
  target: auto,        // filter by target name
  target-variable-name: auto, // filter by variable name
  target-variable-number: auto, // variable index within target (1-based)
  sb3-plugin: auto,    // WASM plugin path
  language: "en",      // locale for display text
  show-target-headers: auto, // show target name header
  target-gap: 2mm,     // spacing between targets
  item-gap: 0.8mm,    // spacing between variable items
)
```

## 10.4 render-sb3-lists()

```
#sb3.render-sb3-lists(
  sb3-bytes,           // raw .sb3 file bytes
  target: auto,        // filter by target name
  target-list-name: auto, // filter by list name
  target-list-number: auto, // list index within target (1-based)
  sb3-plugin: auto,    // WASM plugin path
  language: "en",      // locale for display text
  show-target-headers: auto, // show target name header
  target-gap: 2mm,     // spacing between targets
  item-gap: 0.8mm,    // spacing between list items
)
```

## 10.5 Standalone Monitors

### 10.5.1 list-monitor()

```
#list-monitor(
  name: "List",          // display name shown in header
  items: (),              // array of values to display
  width: 5.2cm,          // monitor width
  height: auto,           // auto-grows to fit content
  length-label: auto,    // show length indicator (e.g. "length: 3")
)
```

### 10.5.2 variable-monitor()

```
#variable-monitor(
  name: "Variable",      // display name shown in header
  value: 0,               // current value to display
)
```

Counter 30

Punkte 0

| Highscore               |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| 1                       | Thomas |
| 2                       | Alex   |
| 3                       | Lukas  |
| +      Length: 3      = |        |

## 10.6 screen-preview()

```
#sb3.sb3-screen-preview(
  sb3-bytes,              // raw .sb3 file bytes
  width: 480,             // stage rendering width in pixels
  height: 360,            // stage rendering height in pixels
  unit: 1,                // size multiplier (2 = double size)
  background: none,       // override background color
  show-border: true,      // show stage border
  show-backdrop: true,    // show costume/backdrop image
  monitor-scale: 1.5,     // scale factor for variable/list overlays
  language: auto,         // locale for monitor text
)
```

Renders a static Scratch stage preview with sprites, backdrop, and monitors.

## 10.7 Image Helpers

```
// List all image assets in the project
#sb3.sb3-image-assets-catalog(sb3-bytes, target: auto)

// Render a single image asset
#sb3.sb3-image(
  sb3-bytes,              // raw .sb3 file bytes
```

```
target: auto,          // filter by sprite/stage name
image-number: auto,    // global image index (1-based)
target-image-number: auto, // image index within target (1-based)
image-name: auto,      // filter by image name (e.g. "costume1")
width: auto,           // output width (auto = original size)
height: auto,          // output height
)
```

## 10.8 Catalog Helpers

```
// Grouped script metadata (targets, scripts, blocks count)
#sb3.sb3-scripts-catalog(sb3-bytes)

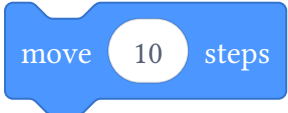
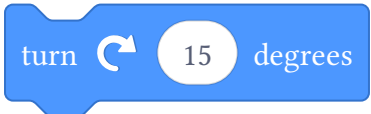
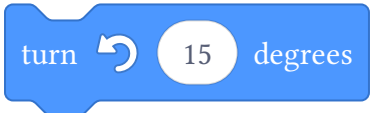
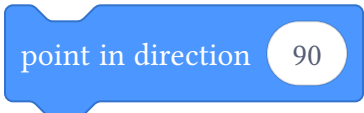
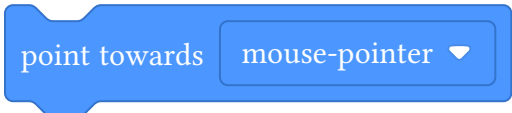
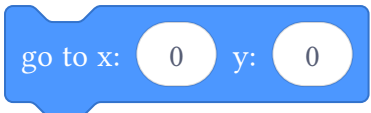
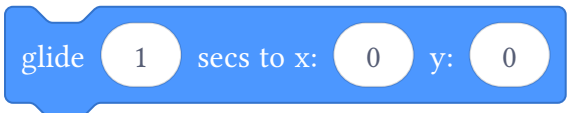
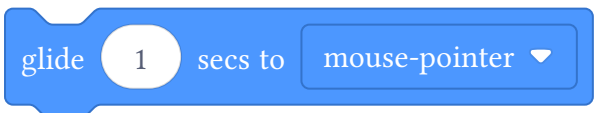
// Target states (variables, lists, and sprite properties)
#sb3.sb3-state-catalog(sb3-bytes)

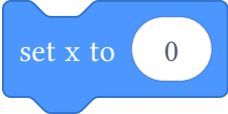
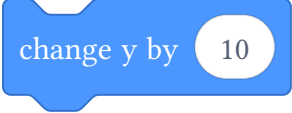
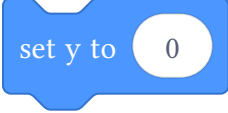
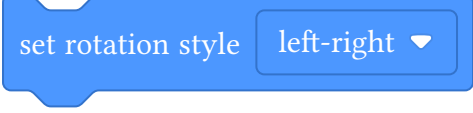
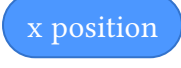
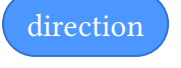
// Convert a specific SB3 script to Scratch text
#sb3.sb3-bytes-to-scratch-text(
  sb3-bytes,          // raw .sb3 file bytes
  script-number: auto, // global script index (1-based)
  language: "en",     // locale for output text
)
```

# 11 Catalog

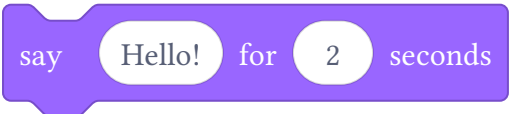
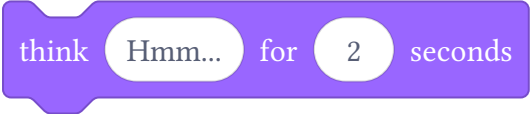
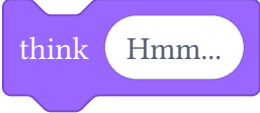
The catalog shows every block in each Scratch 3 category, rendered live.

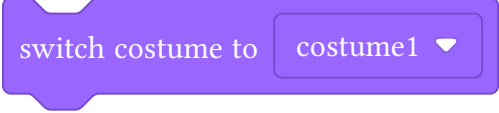
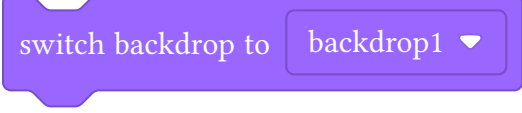
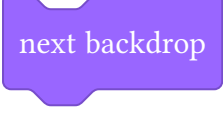
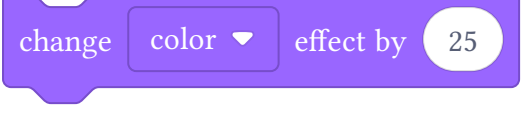
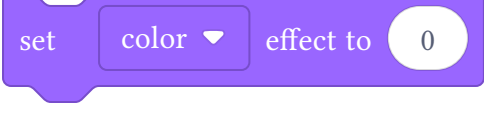
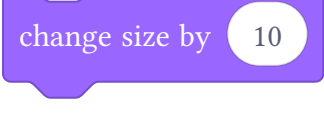
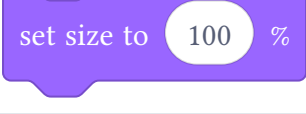
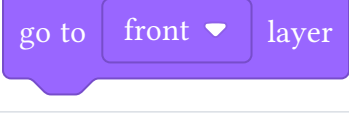
## 11.1 Motion

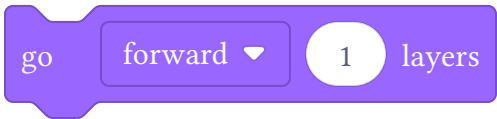
| Block                                                                               | Code                                             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
|    | <code>move (10) steps</code>                     |
|    | <code>turn cw (15) degrees</code>                |
|    | <code>turn ccw (15) degrees</code>               |
|   | <code>point in direction (90)</code>             |
|  | <code>point towards [mouse-pointer v]</code>     |
|  | <code>go to x: (0) y: (0)</code>                 |
|  | <code>go to [mouse-pointer v]</code>             |
|  | <code>glide (1) secs to x: (0) y: (0)</code>     |
|  | <code>glide (1) secs to [mouse-pointer v]</code> |
|  | <code>change x by (10)</code>                    |

| Block                                                                               | Code                                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
|    | <code>set x to (0)</code>                      |
|    | <code>change y by (10)</code>                  |
|    | <code>set y to (0)</code>                      |
|    | <code>if on edge, bounce</code>                |
|    | <code>set rotation style [left-right v]</code> |
|  | <code>(x position)</code>                      |
|  | <code>(y position)</code>                      |
|  | <code>(direction)</code>                       |

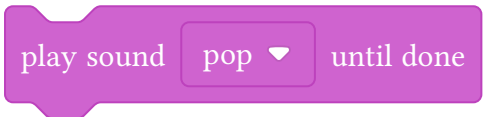
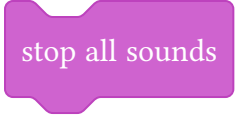
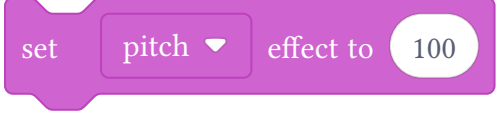
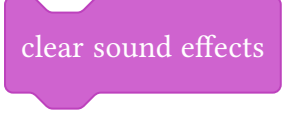
## 11.2 Looks

| Block                                                                               | Code                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
|  | <code>say [Hello!] for (2) seconds</code>   |
|  | <code>say [Hello!]</code>                   |
|  | <code>think [Hmm...] for (2) seconds</code> |
|  | <code>think [Hmm...]</code>                 |

| Block                                                                               | Code                                          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|    | <code>show</code>                             |
|    | <code>hide</code>                             |
|    | <code>switch costume to [costume1 v]</code>   |
|    | <code>next costume</code>                     |
|    | <code>switch backdrop to [backdrop1 v]</code> |
|  | <code>next backdrop</code>                    |
|  | <code>change [color v] effect by (25)</code>  |
|  | <code>set [color v] effect to (0)</code>      |
|  | <code>clear graphic effects</code>            |
|  | <code>change size by (10)</code>              |
|  | <code>set size to (100) %</code>              |
|  | <code>go to [front v] layer</code>            |

| Block                                                                             | Code                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
|  | <code>go [forward v] (1) layers</code> |
|  | <code>(costume [number v])</code>      |
|  | <code>(backdrop [number v])</code>     |
|  | <code>(size)</code>                    |

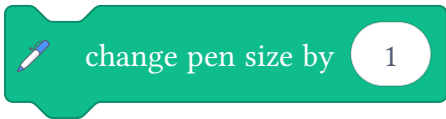
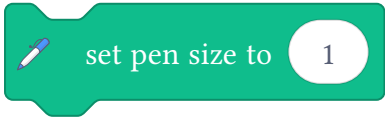
### 11.3 Sound

| Block                                                                               | Code                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|   | <code>play sound [pop v] until done</code>   |
|  | <code>start sound [pop v]</code>             |
|  | <code>stop all sounds</code>                 |
|  | <code>change [pitch v] effect by (10)</code> |
|  | <code>set [pitch v] effect to (100)</code>   |
|  | <code>clear sound effects</code>             |
|  | <code>change volume by (-10)</code>          |

| Block | Code                               |
|-------|------------------------------------|
|       | <code>set volume to (100) %</code> |
|       | <code>(volume)</code>              |

## 11.4 Pen

| Block | Code                                      |
|-------|-------------------------------------------|
|       | <code>erase all</code>                    |
|       | <code>stamp</code>                        |
|       | <code>pen down</code>                     |
|       | <code>pen up</code>                       |
|       | <code>set pen color to [ #ff0000 ]</code> |
|       | <code>change pen color by (10)</code>     |
|       | <code>set pen color to (50)</code>        |
|       | <code>change pen shade by (10)</code>     |
|       | <code>set pen shade to (50)</code>        |

| Block                                                                             | Code                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  | <code>change pen size by (1)</code> |
|  | <code>set pen size to (1)</code>    |

## 11.5 Variables

| Block                                                                               | Code                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|    | <code>set [my variable v] to (0)</code>    |
|    | <code>change [my variable v] by (1)</code> |
|  | <code>show variable [my variable v]</code> |
|  | <code>hide variable [my variable v]</code> |
|  | <code>(my variable)</code>                 |

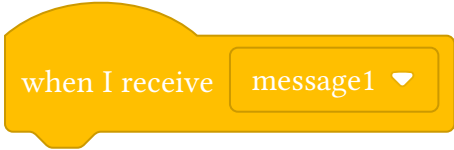
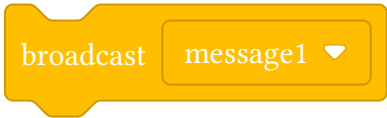
## 11.6 Lists

| Block                                                                               | Code                                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
|  | <code>add [thing] to [my list v]</code> |
|  | <code>delete (1) of [my list v]</code>  |
|  | <code>delete all of [my list v]</code>  |

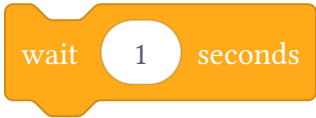
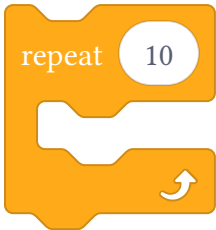
| Block | Code                                                      |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
|       | <code>insert [thing] at (1) of [my list v]</code>         |
|       | <code>replace item (1) of [my list v] with [thing]</code> |
|       | <code>(item (1) of [my list v])</code>                    |
|       | <code>(item # of [thing] in [my list v])</code>           |
|       | <code>(length of [my list v])</code>                      |
|       | <code>&lt;[my list v] contains [thing]?&gt;</code>        |
|       | <code>show list [my list v]</code>                        |
|       | <code>hide list [my list v]</code>                        |

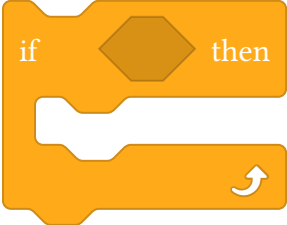
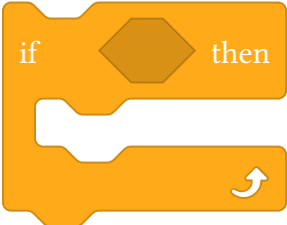
## 11.7 Events

| Block | Code                                    |
|-------|-----------------------------------------|
|       | <code>when green flag clicked</code>    |
|       | <code>when [space v] key pressed</code> |
|       | <code>when this sprite clicked</code>   |

| Block                                                                              | Code                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
|   | <code>when backdrop switches to [backdrop1 v]</code> |
|   | <code>when [loudness v] &gt; (10)</code>             |
|   | <code>when I receive [message1 v]</code>             |
|   | <code>broadcast [message1 v]</code>                  |
|  | <code>broadcast [message1 v] and wait</code>         |

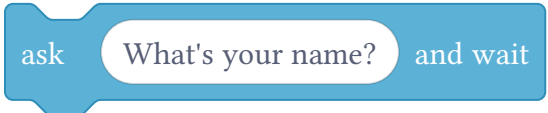
## 11.8 Control

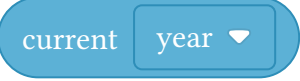
| Block                                                                               | Code                          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|  | <code>wait (1) seconds</code> |
|  | <code>repeat (10)</code>      |
|  | <code>end</code>              |
|  | <code>forever</code>          |

| Block                                                                               | Code                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|    | <code>end</code>                   |
|    | <code>if &lt;&gt; then</code>      |
|    | <code>end</code>                   |
|   | <code>if &lt;&gt; then</code>      |
|  | <code>else</code>                  |
|  | <code>end</code>                   |
|  | <code>wait until &lt;&gt;</code>   |
|  | <code>repeat until &lt;&gt;</code> |
|  | <code>end</code>                   |
|  | <code>stop [all v]</code>          |

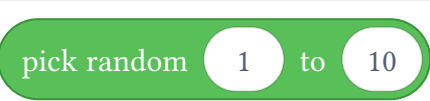
| Block                                                                             | Code                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
|  | <code>when I start as a clone</code>    |
|  | <code>create clone of [myself v]</code> |
|  | <code>delete this clone</code>          |

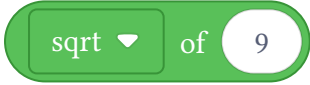
## 11.9 Sensing

| Block                                                                               | Code                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
|    | <code>&lt;touching [mouse-pointer v]?&gt;</code>            |
|   | <code>&lt;touching color [#ff0000]?&gt;</code>              |
|  | <code>&lt;color [#ff0000] is touching [#00ff00]?&gt;</code> |
|  | <code>(distance to [mouse-pointer v])</code>                |
|  | <code>ask [What's your name?] and wait</code>               |
|  | <code>(answer)</code>                                       |
|  | <code>&lt;key [space v] pressed?&gt;</code>                 |
|  | <code>&lt;mouse down?&gt;</code>                            |
|  | <code>(mouse x)</code>                                      |
|  | <code>(mouse y)</code>                                      |

| Block                                                                              | Code                                         |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|   | <code>(loudness)</code>                      |
|   | <code>(timer)</code>                         |
|   | <code>reset timer</code>                     |
|   | <code>((x position v) of [Sprite1 v])</code> |
|   | <code>(current [year v])</code>              |
|   | <code>(days since 2000)</code>               |
|  | <code>(username)</code>                      |

## 11.10 Operators

| Block                                                                               | Code                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
|  | <code>(( ) + ( ))</code>               |
|  | <code>(( ) - ( ))</code>               |
|  | <code>(( ) * ( ))</code>               |
|  | <code>(( ) / ( ))</code>               |
|  | <code>(pick random (1) to (10))</code> |
|  | <code>&lt;( ) &gt; ( )&gt;</code>      |
|  | <code>&lt;( ) &lt; ( )&gt;</code>      |

| Block                                                                               | Code                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|    | <code>&lt;() = ()&gt;</code>         |
|    | <code>&lt;&gt; and &lt;&gt;</code>   |
|    | <code>&lt;&gt; or &lt;&gt;</code>    |
|    | <code>not &lt;&gt;</code>            |
|    | <code>(join [apple] [banana])</code> |
|    | <code>(letter (1) of [apple])</code> |
|   | <code>(length of [apple])</code>     |
|  | <code>([apple] contains [a]?)</code> |
|  | <code>(( ) mod ( ))</code>           |
|  | <code>(round ( ))</code>             |
|  | <code>([sqrt v] of (9))</code>       |

## 12 Contributing

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Contributions are welcome: bug reports, missing blocks, parser improvements, rendering polish, docs, and new localizations.

- **Repository:** [github.com/Loewe1000/blockst](https://github.com/Loewe1000/blockst)
- **License:** MIT

## 13 API Reference

The reference is generated from the `///` comments in the source. It covers the public rendering API in `libs/scratch/api.typ`, which `lib.typ` and `package.typ` re-export unchanged.

### 13.1 blockst

```
blockst(
  theme: auto,
  scale: auto,
  font: auto,
  line-numbering: auto,
  line-numbers: auto,
  line-number-start: auto,
  line-number-first-block: auto,
  line-number-gutter: auto,
  inset-scale: auto,
  language: auto,
  spacing: 1.5em,
  body,
)
```

Optional container for grouped blocks with theme/scale override. Only needed when a specific group should differ from global settings.

| Name                    | Vorgabe |
|-------------------------|---------|
| theme                   | auto    |
| scale                   | auto    |
| font                    | auto    |
| line-numbering          | auto    |
| line-numbers            | auto    |
| line-number-start       | auto    |
| line-number-first-block | auto    |
| line-number-gutter      | auto    |
| inset-scale             | auto    |
| language                | auto    |
| spacing                 | 1.5em   |
| body                    | —       |

### 13.2 blockst-labels

```
blockst-labels(name)
```

Read globally collected line labels from all previously rendered `scratch()` blocks. With a name: `#blockst-labels("start", default: "?")`. Without a name: returns the full label-to-line dictionary.

### 13.3 blockst-register-labels

```
blockst-register-labels(text, language: "en")
```

Register labels globally without rendering blocks. Useful when labels are needed before the first `#scratch()` output appears.

| Name     | Vorgabe |
|----------|---------|
| text     | –       |
| language | "en"    |

### 13.4 raw-scratch

```
raw-scratch(..args)
```

Enable scratch code blocks in raw text:

```
#show: raw-scratch()
```

With language: `#show: raw-scratch(language: "de")`.

### 13.5 scratch

```
scratch(
  text,
  language: auto,
  theme: auto,
  scale: auto,
  font: auto,
  line-numbering: auto,
  line-numbers: auto,
  line-number-start: auto,
  line-number-first-block: auto,
  line-number-gutter: auto,
  inset-scale: auto,
)
```

Render scratch blocks from text. Works standalone or inside `#blockst[...]`. Supports 26 languages: en, de, fr, es, it, pt, nl, pl, ru, ja, ...

| Name                    | Vorgabe |
|-------------------------|---------|
| text                    | –       |
| language                | auto    |
| theme                   | auto    |
| scale                   | auto    |
| font                    | auto    |
| line-numbering          | auto    |
| line-numbers            | auto    |
| line-number-start       | auto    |
| line-number-first-block | auto    |
| line-number-gutter      | auto    |
| inset-scale             | auto    |

### 13.6 scratch-execute

```
scratch-execute(text, language: "en")
```

Execute scratch text, producing scratch-run commands.

| Name | Vorgabe |
|------|---------|
| text | –       |

| Name     | Vorgabe |
|----------|---------|
| language | "en"    |

### 13.7 scratch-labels

```
scratch-labels(text, language: "en")
```

Parse scratch text and return a dictionary mapping #Labels to rendered line numbers.

| Name     | Vorgabe |
|----------|---------|
| text     | –       |
| language | "en"    |

### 13.8 scratch-parse

```
scratch-parse(text, language: "en")
```

Parse scratch text to AST (for programmatic use).

| Name     | Vorgabe |
|----------|---------|
| text     | –       |
| language | "en"    |

### 13.9 set-blockst

```
set-blockst(
  theme: none,
  scale: none,
  stroke-width: none,
  font: none,
  line-numbering: none,
  line-numbers: none,
  line-number-start: none,
  line-number-first-block: none,
  line-number-gutter: none,
  inset-scale: none,
  language: none,
)
```

Global settings applied to all scratch() and sb3 calls.

| Name                    | Vorgabe |
|-------------------------|---------|
| theme                   | none    |
| scale                   | none    |
| stroke-width            | none    |
| font                    | none    |
| line-numbering          | none    |
| line-numbers            | none    |
| line-number-start       | none    |
| line-number-first-block | none    |
| line-number-gutter      | none    |
| inset-scale             | none    |
| language                | none    |