

# Computer System Design & Application

## 计算机系统设计与应用A

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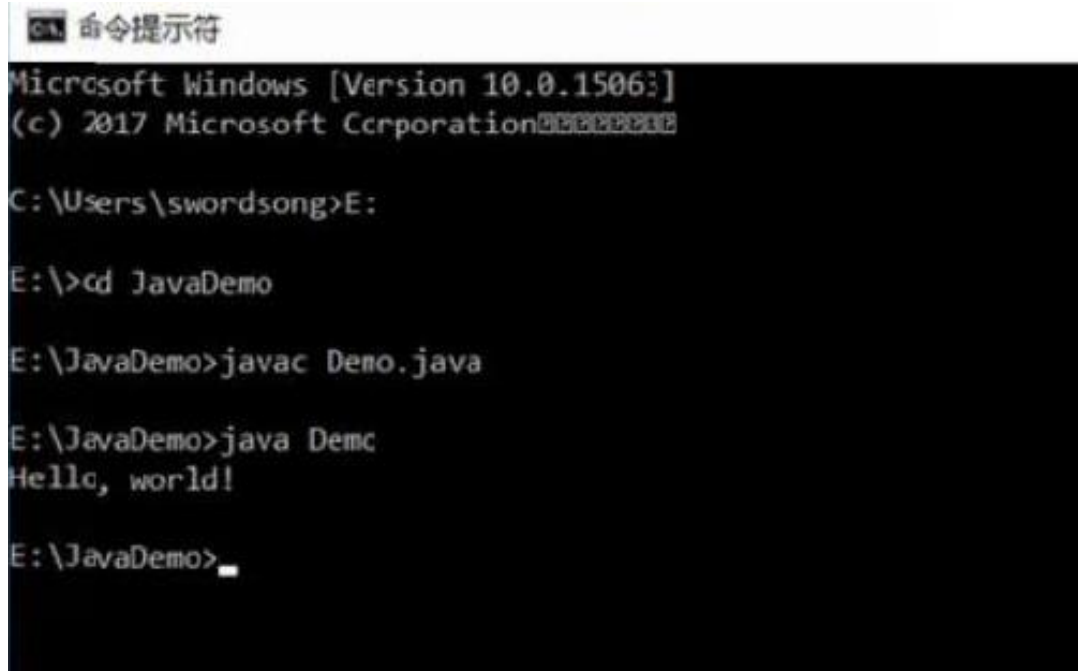
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- JavaFX
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  - Layouts, Shapes, UI controls
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  - Transformation, Animation, Effects
  - FXML
  - Multithreading in JavaFX

# GUI Overview

- **Graphical User Interface (GUI):** a form of user interface that allows users to interact with electronic devices through graphical icons
- Easier to use compared to text-based user interface (e.g., CLI)



```
命令提示符
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.15063]
(c) 2017 Microsoft Corporation
C:\Users\swordsong>E:

E:\>cd JavaDemo

E:\JavaDemo>javac Demo.java

E:\JavaDemo>java Demc
Hello, world!

E:\JavaDemo>
```



# Java GUI History

## Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT)

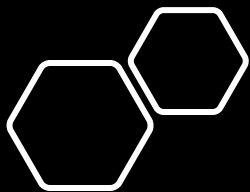
- JDK 1.0
- Most of AWT's UI components have become obsolete

## Swing

- JDK 1.2, enhancement of AWT
- Becomes legacy GUI library (only used in old projects)

## JavaFX

- JDK 8, replacement to Swing
- Actively maintained and expected to grow in future
- Become a separate module starting from JDK 11



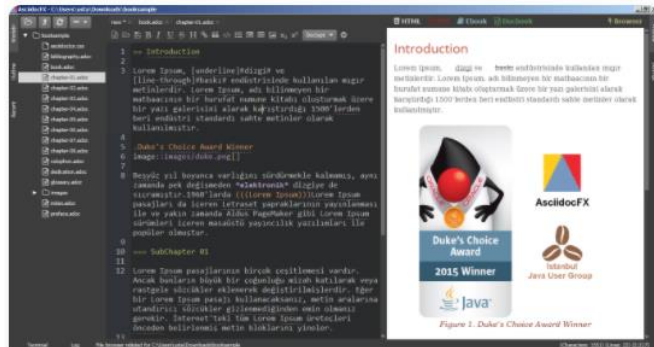
# JavaFX Overview

<https://openjfx.io/>

- Official doc: JavaFX is an open source, next generation client application platform for desktop, mobile and embedded systems built on Java (i.e., a GUI toolkit for Java)
- JavaFX can run on various OS and devices
  - Windows
  - Linux
  - Mac
  - iOS
  - Android/Chromebook
  - Raspberry Pi

# JavaFX Showcases

Images from JavaFX official site



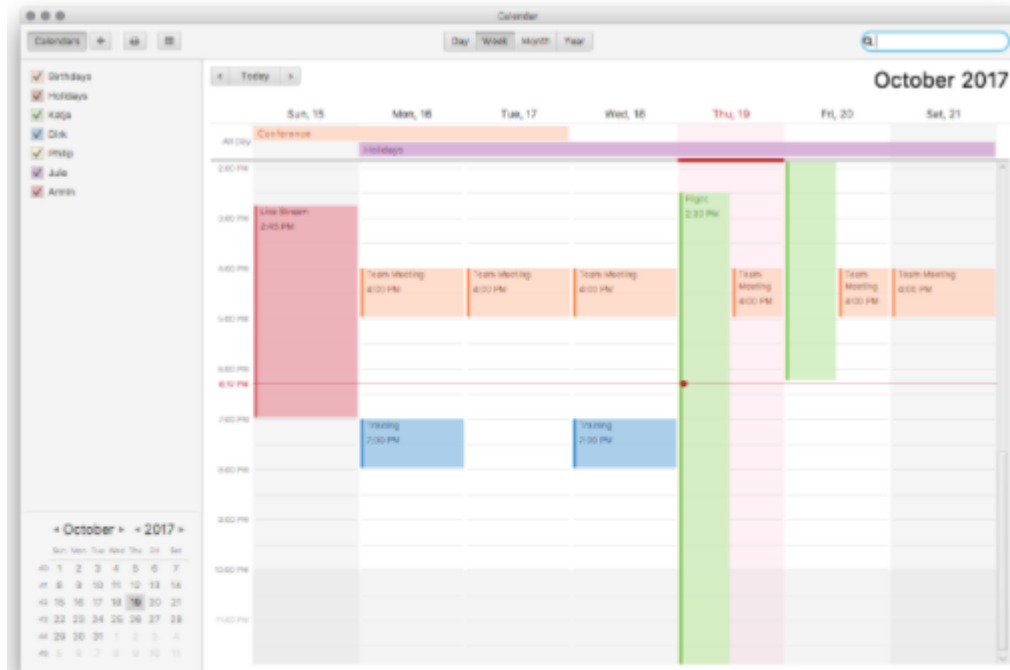
## AsciidocFX

An Asciidoc editor to build PDF, Epub, Mobi and HTML books, documents and slides



## Gluon Maps

Tiles based geo-location map framework



## CalendarFX

A Java framework for creating sophisticated calendar views



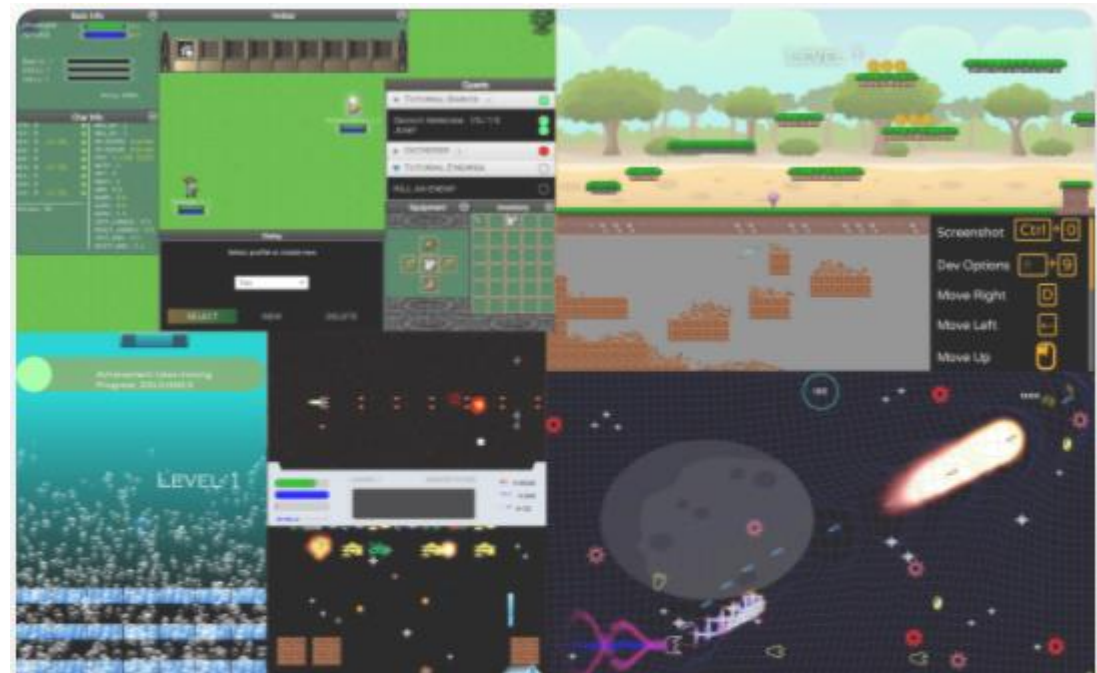
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## TilesFX

A JavaFX library containing tiles for Dashboards



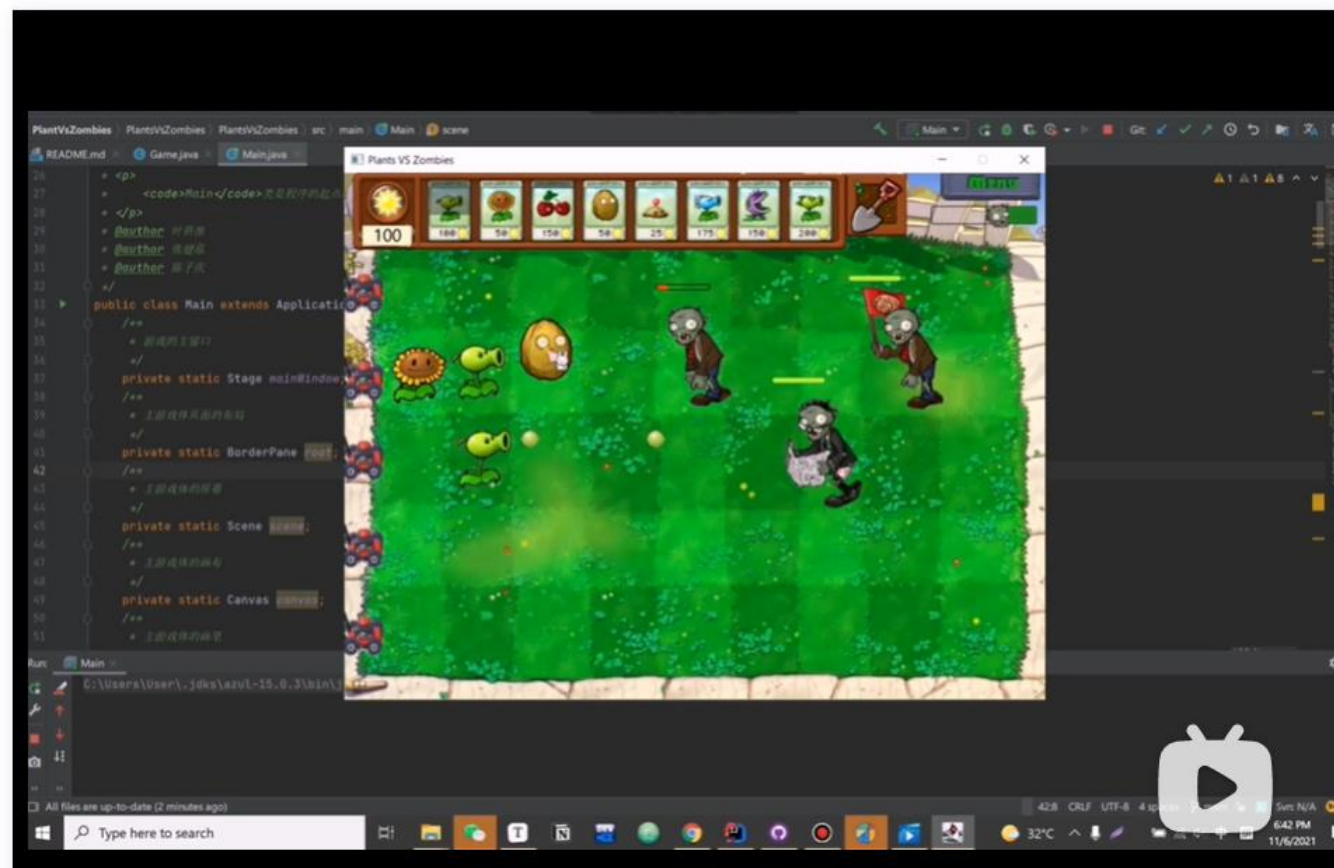
## FXGL

JavaFX game engine

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# Why do we learn JavaFX?

- A good, real application that applies key OOP principles such as encapsulation, inheritance, and polymorphism
- Learn basic concepts of GUI programming and event-driven programming model, which are applicable to other UI framework and techniques.
- Learn basic design concepts, such as separation of UI and business logic

# JavaFX Hello World

```
import javafx.application.Application; ←
import javafx.stage.Stage;

public class MyFxApp extends Application {

    @Override
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) throws Exception {
        primaryStage.setTitle("My First JavaFX App");
        primaryStage.show();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Application.launch(args);
    }

}
```

Makes the application visible  
(otherwise nothing is shown)

Optional

Import necessary classes from **javafx**

Extend the abstract **Application** class

Implement the abstract **start()**  
method of the **Application** class  
(called when a JavaFX application starts)

**launch()** launches the JavaFX application.

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<http://tutorials.jenkov.com/javafx/your-first-javafx-application.html>



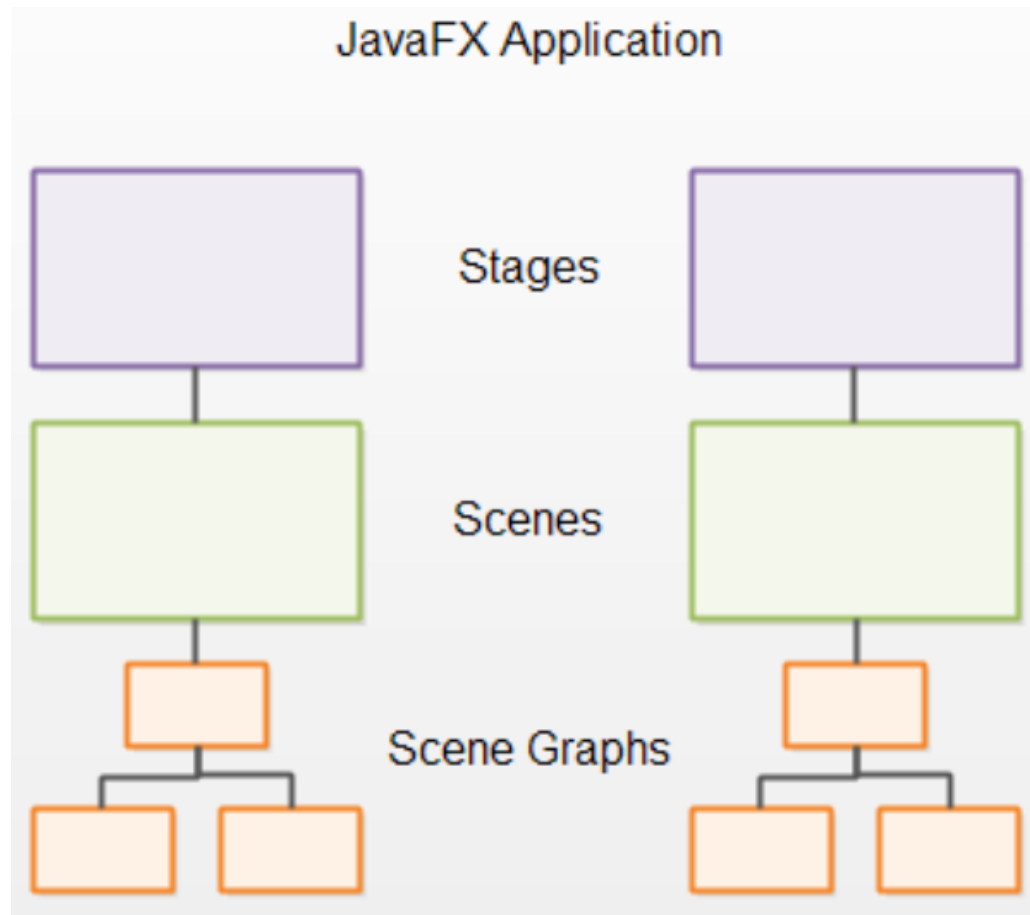


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# JavaFX Design



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## Stage (窗体)

- The outer frame for a JavaFX application, typically corresponds to a window.
- A JavaFX application can have one or more stages (multiple windows open)

## Scene (场景)

- Containing all GUI components visible in a window (i.e., to display things on the stage)
- A stage can only show one scene at a time, but it is possible to exchange the scene at runtime

## Scene Graphs (场景图)

- All visual components (controls, layouts etc.) attached to a scene is called the scene graph



# JavaFX Design

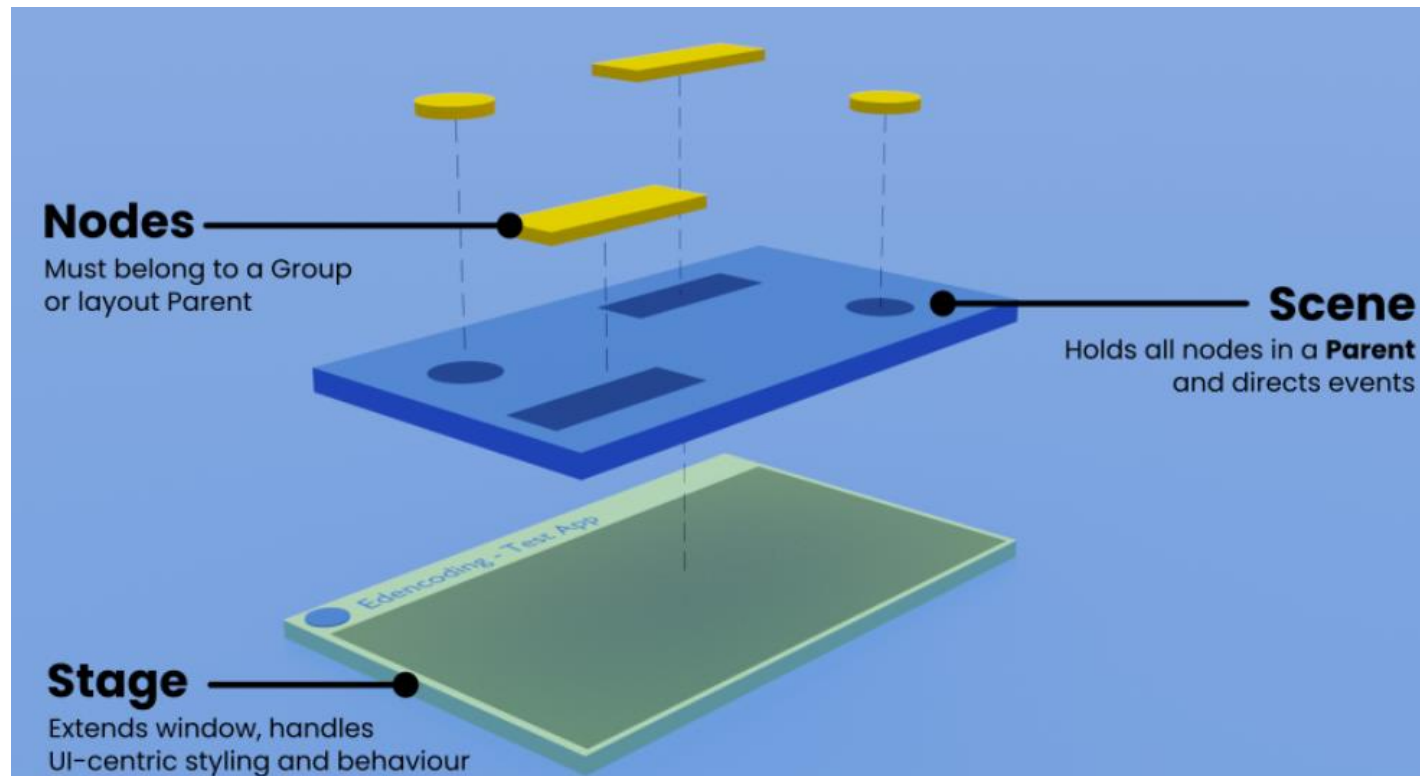


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# JavaFX Stage

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- A Stage represents a window in a JavaFX application
- A Stage object is created and passed to the `start(Stage primaryStage)` method when a JavaFX application starts up
- New Stage objects could be created if the application needs to open more windows

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        primaryStage.show();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Application.launch(args);
    }

}
```

New stage could be created by:

```
Stage stage = new Stage();
.....
stage.show();
```

# JavaFX Stage Properties

Please refer to the official documentation for full details

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/javafx/api/javafx/stage/Stage.html>

## Property and Description

### **alwaysOnTop**

Defines whether this Stage is kept on top of other windows.

### **fullScreenExitHint**

### **fullScreenExitKey**

Get the property for the Full Screen exit key combination.

### **fullScreen**

Specifies whether this Stage should be a full-screen, undecorated.

### **iconified**

Defines whether the Stage is iconified or not.

### **maxHeight**

Defines the maximum height of this Stage.

### **maximized**

Defines whether the Stage is maximized or not.

### **maxWidth**

Defines the maximum width of this Stage.

### **minHeight**

Defines the minimum height of this Stage.

### **minWidth**

Defines the minimum width of this Stage.

### **resizable**

Defines whether the Stage is resizable or not by the user.

### **title**

Defines the title of the Stage.

# JavaFX Stage Style

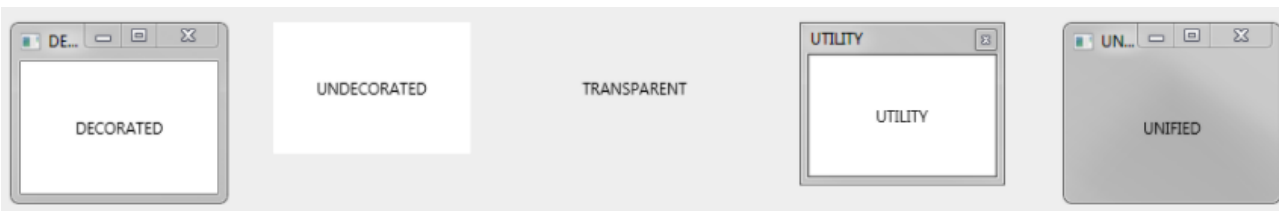
```
stage.initStyle(StageStyle.DECORATED);
```

```
//stage.initStyle(StageStyle.UNDECORATED);
```

```
//stage.initStyle(StageStyle.TRANSPARENT);
```

```
//stage.initStyle(StageStyle.UNIFIED);
```

```
//stage.initStyle(StageStyle.UTILITY);
```



## Enum StageStyle

```
java.lang.Object
```

```
java.lang.Enum<StageStyle>
```

```
javafx.stage.StageStyle
```

### Enum Constants

#### Enum Constant and Description

##### DECORATED

Defines a normal Stage style with a solid white background and platform decorations.

##### TRANSPARENT

Defines a Stage style with a transparent background and no decorations.

##### UNDECORATED

Defines a Stage style with a solid white background and no decorations.

##### UNIFIED

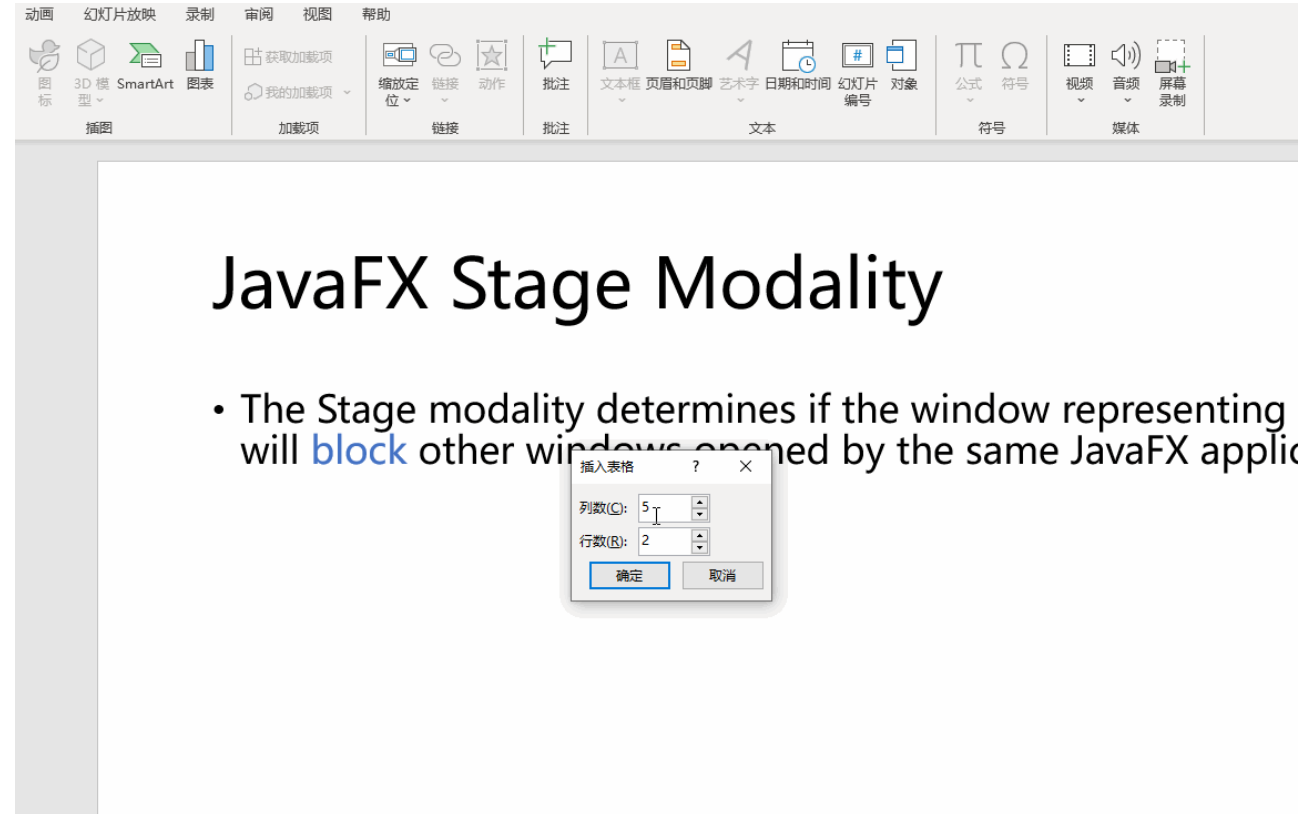
Defines a Stage style with platform decorations and eliminates the border between client area and decorations.

##### UTILITY

Defines a Stage style with a solid white background and minimal platform decorations used for a utility window.

# JavaFX Stage Modality

The Stage modality determines if the window representing the Stage will **block** other windows opened by the same JavaFX application.



The screenshot shows a presentation slide with the title "JavaFX Stage Modality". Below the title is a single bullet point: "The Stage modality determines if the window representing will **block** other windows opened by the same JavaFX applic". A small "Insert Table" dialog box is overlaid on the slide, showing "Columns (C): 5" and "Rows (R): 2". The dialog has "确定" (OK) and "取消" (Cancel) buttons. The background of the slide is a light gray with a dark gray header bar containing various icons and labels in Chinese.

## JavaFX Stage Modality

- The Stage modality determines if the window representing will **block** other windows opened by the same JavaFX applic



# JavaFX Stage Modality

## Enum Modality

```
java.lang.Object  
    java.lang.Enum<Modality>  
        javafx.stage.Modality
```

### Enum Constants

#### Enum Constant and Description

##### APPLICATION\_MODAL

Defines a modal window that blocks events from being delivered to any other application window.

##### NONE

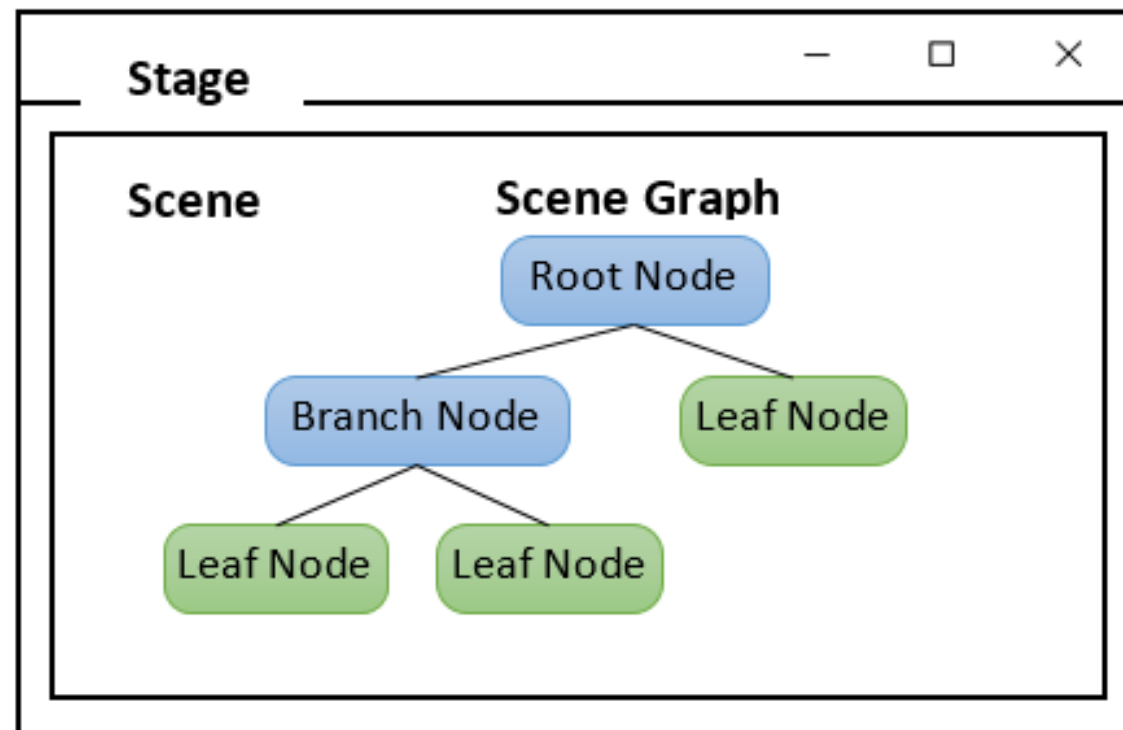
Defines a top-level window that is not modal and does not block any other window.

##### WINDOW\_MODAL

Defines a modal window that block events from being delivered to its entire owner window hierarchy.

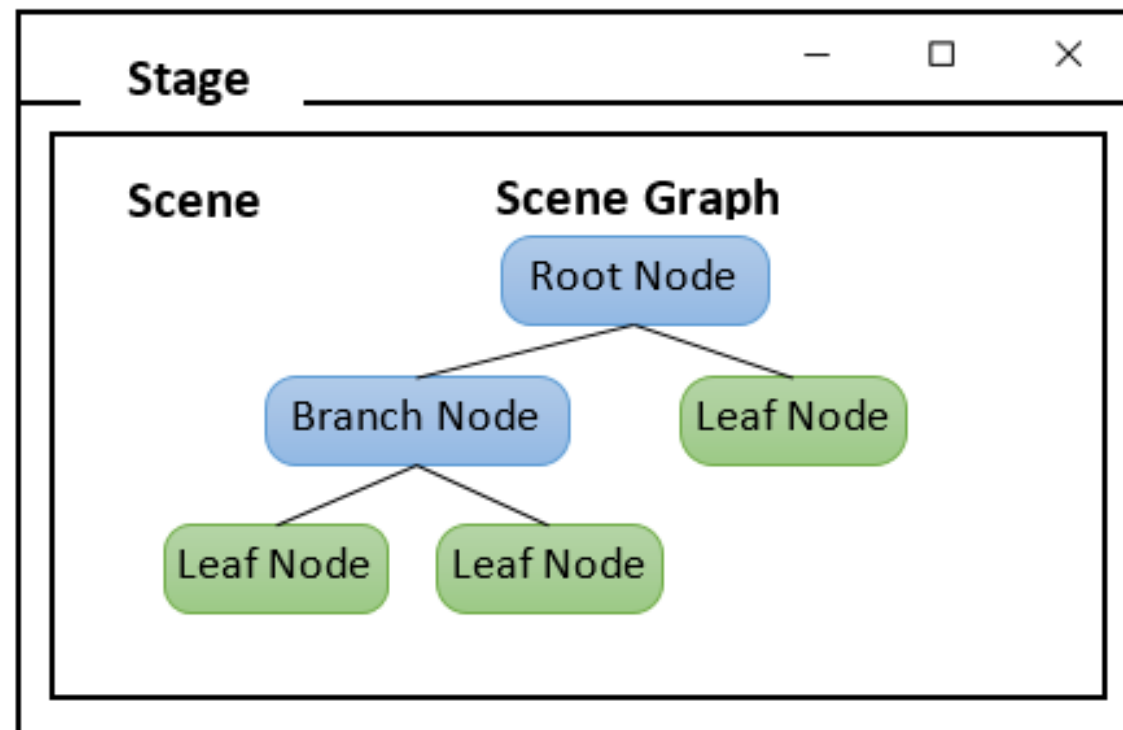
# JavaFX Scene

- A JavaFX Scene contains all the visual JavaFX GUI components inside it
- A JavaFX Scene object is created by specifying a root GUI component (root node in the Scene Graph)
- A JavaFX Scene must be set on a JavaFX Stage to be visible
- A Scene can be attached to only a single Stage at a time, and Stage can also only display one Scene at a time.

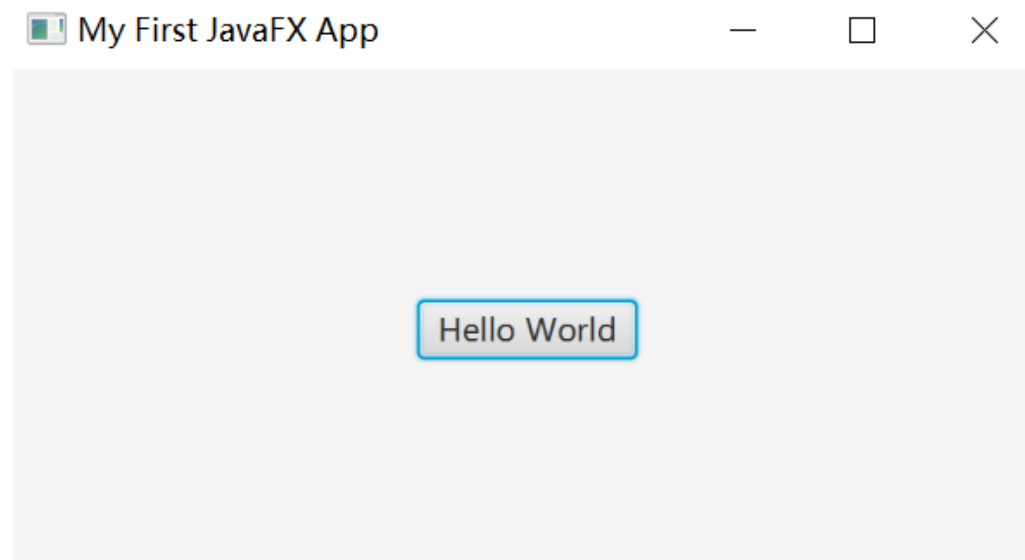
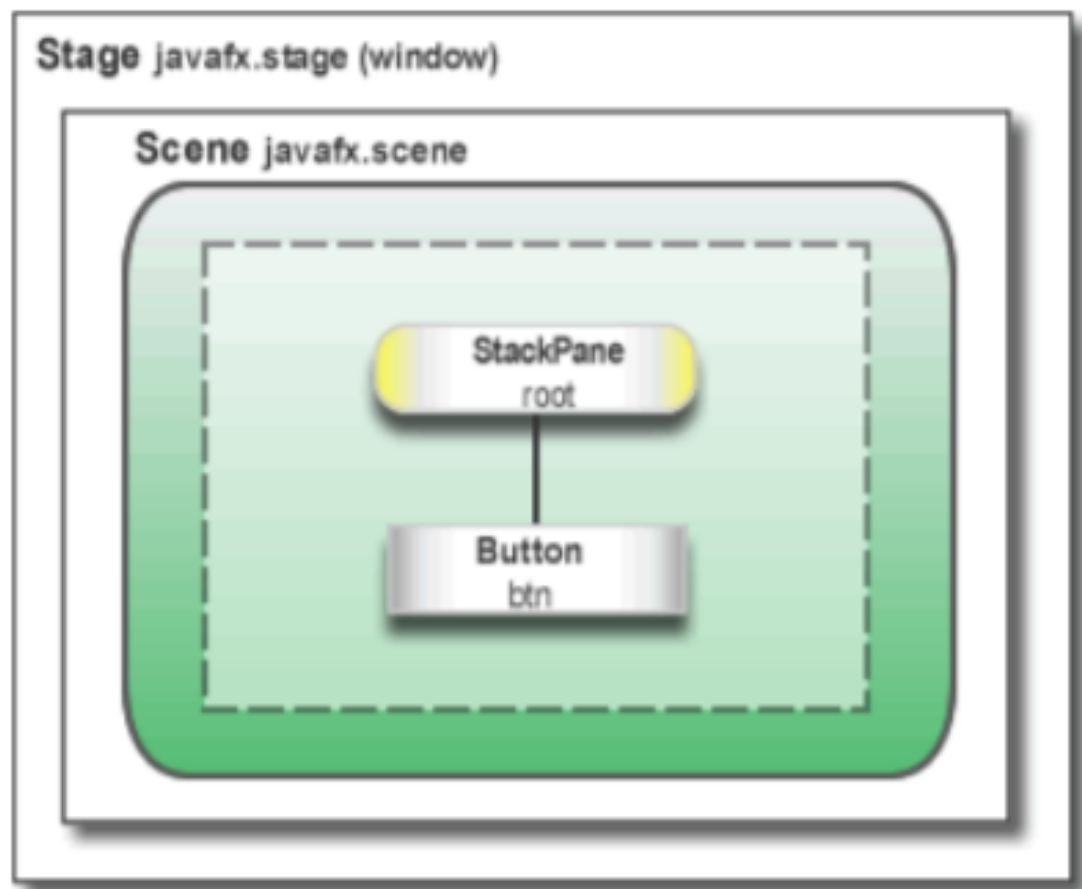


# Scene Graph

- A tree data structure of **nodes**
- A node is a visual object of a JavaFX application
- Each node is classified as either a **branch node** (it can have children), or a **leaf node** (it cannot have children)
- A JavaFX application must specify the root node for the scene graph by setting the root property.



# JavaFX Hello World



```

@Override
public void start(Stage primaryStage) throws Exception {
    primaryStage.setTitle("My First JavaFX App");

    StackPane root = new StackPane();

    Button btn = new Button();
    btn.setText("Hello World");
    btn.setOnAction(new EventHandler<ActionEvent>() {
        @Override
        public void handle(ActionEvent event) {
            System.out.println("Hello World!");
        }
    });

    root.getChildren().add(btn);

    Scene scene = new Scene(root, width: 400, height: 200);
    primaryStage.setScene(scene);

    primaryStage.show();
}

```

# JavaFX Hello World

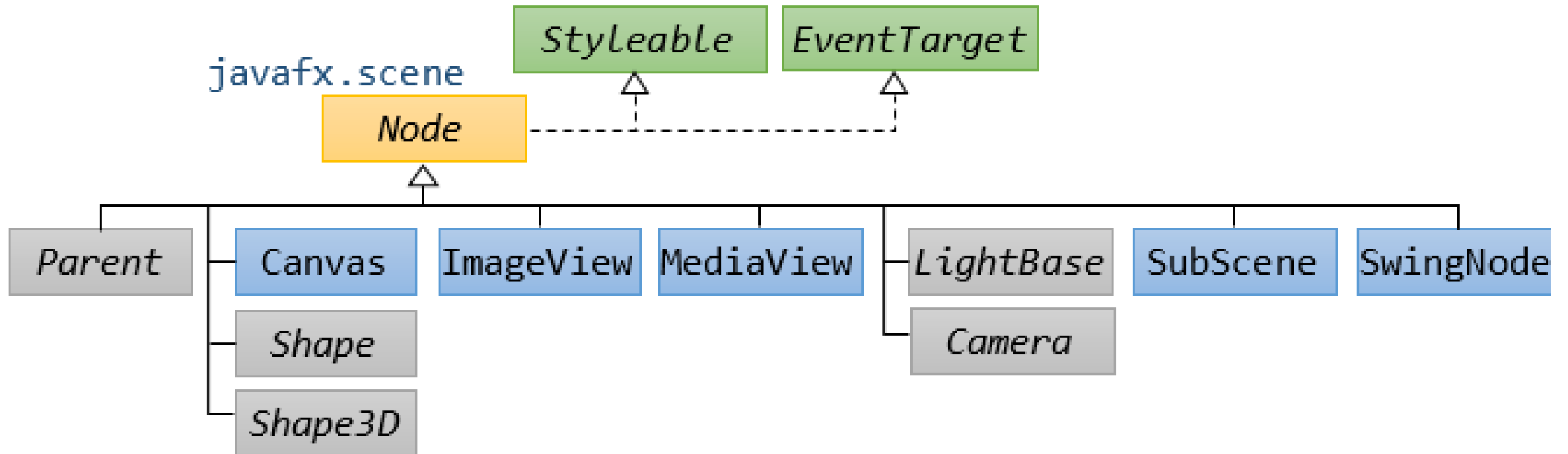
1. The root node is a StackPane object, a resizable layout node
2. The child node is a Button object, with an event handler for printing a message when pressed
3. Add button to the root node
4. Create a scene with the root
5. Set the scene for the stage and show



# Node

A node is defined by an abstract class `javafx.scene.Node`, which is the superclass of all the UI elements

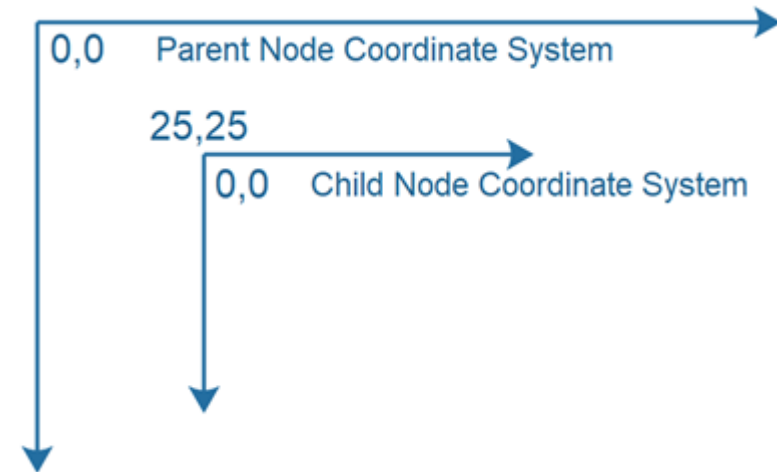
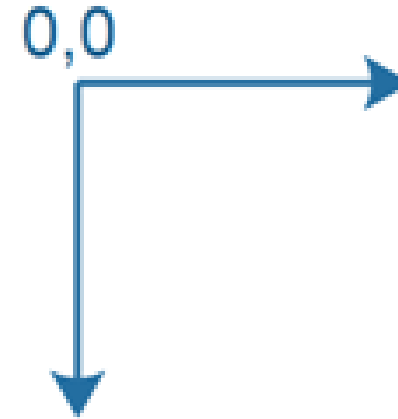
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# JavaFX Node Coordinate System (坐标系统)

- Each JavaFX Node has its own coordinate system.
- Difference from regular coordinate system: Y axis is reversed
- Use the coordinates to position child Node instances within the parent Node (see `layoutX`, `layoutY`)

<http://tutorials.jenkov.com/javafx/node.html>



# JavaFX Node Property

(Writable) properties include X and Y position, width and height, text, children, event handlers, etc.

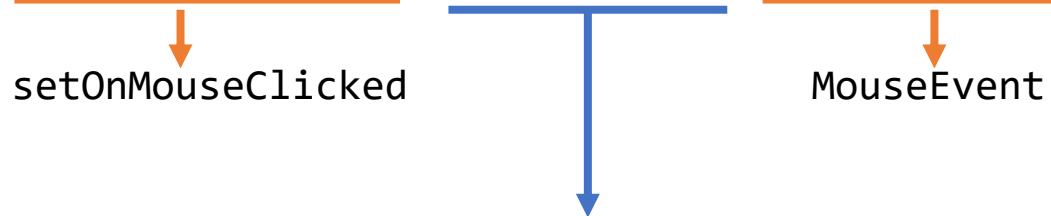
<code>ReadOnlyBooleanProperty</code>	<b><code>focused</code></b> Indicates whether this Node currently has focus.
<code>BooleanProperty</code>	<b><code>focusTraversable</code></b> Specifies whether this Node should be a focusable node.
<code>ReadOnlyBooleanProperty</code>	<b><code>hover</code></b> Whether or not this Node is being hovered.
<code>StringProperty</code>	<b><code>id</code></b> The id of this Node.
<code>ObjectProperty&lt;InputMethodRequests&gt;</code>	<b><code>inputMethodRequests</code></b> Property holding InputMethodRequests.
<code>ReadOnlyObjectProperty&lt;Bounds&gt;</code>	<b><code>layoutBounds</code></b> The rectangular bounds that should be used for layout.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>layoutX</code></b> Defines the x coordinate of the translation.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>layoutY</code></b> Defines the y coordinate of the translation.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>opacity</code></b> Specifies how opaque (that is, solid) the Node appears.
<code>ReadOnlyObjectProperty&lt;Parent&gt;</code>	<b><code>parent</code></b> The parent of this Node.
<code>BooleanProperty</code>	<b><code>pickOnBounds</code></b> Defines how the picking computation is done for this node when it is hit.
<code>ReadOnlyBooleanProperty</code>	<b><code>pressed</code></b> Whether or not the Node is pressed.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>rotate</code></b> Defines the angle of rotation about the Node's center, measured in degrees.
<code>ObjectProperty&lt;Point3D&gt;</code>	<b><code>rotationAxis</code></b> Defines the axis of rotation of this Node.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>scaleX</code></b> Defines the factor by which coordinates are scaled about the center.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>scaleY</code></b> Defines the factor by which coordinates are scaled about the center.
<code>DoubleProperty</code>	<b><code>scaleZ</code></b> Defines the factor by which coordinates are scaled about the center.

# JavaFX Node EventHandler Property

Node contains various Event Handler properties which can be set to user defined Event Handlers using the setter methods

Setter Naming Convention

setOnTargetType(EventHandler<TargetEvent> v)



## **onKeyPressed**

Defines a function to be called

## **onKeyReleased**

Defines a function to be called

## **onKeyTyped**

Defines a function to be called

## **onMouseClicked**

Defines a function to be called

## **onMouseDragEntered**

Defines a function to be called

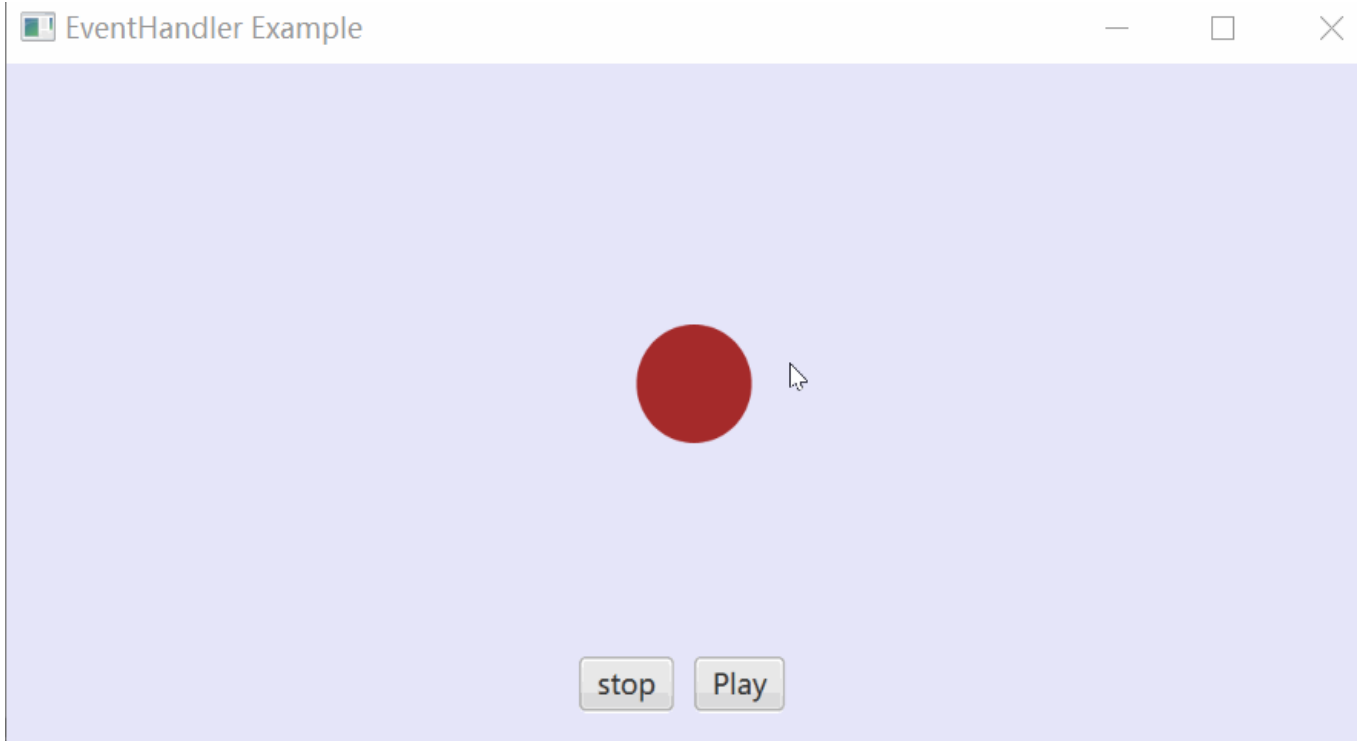
## **onMouseDragExited**

Defines a function to be called

## **onMouseDragged**

Defines a function to be called

# How many events? What event handlers on which target?



```
circle.setOnMouseClicked (new EventHandler<MouseEvent>() {  
    @Override  
    public void handle(javaFX.scene.input.MouseEvent e) {  
        circle.setFill(Color.DARKSLATEBLUE);  
    }  
});  
playButton.setOnMouseClicked((new EventHandler<MouseEvent>() {  
    public void handle(MouseEvent event) {  
        pathTransition.play();  
    }  
}));
```

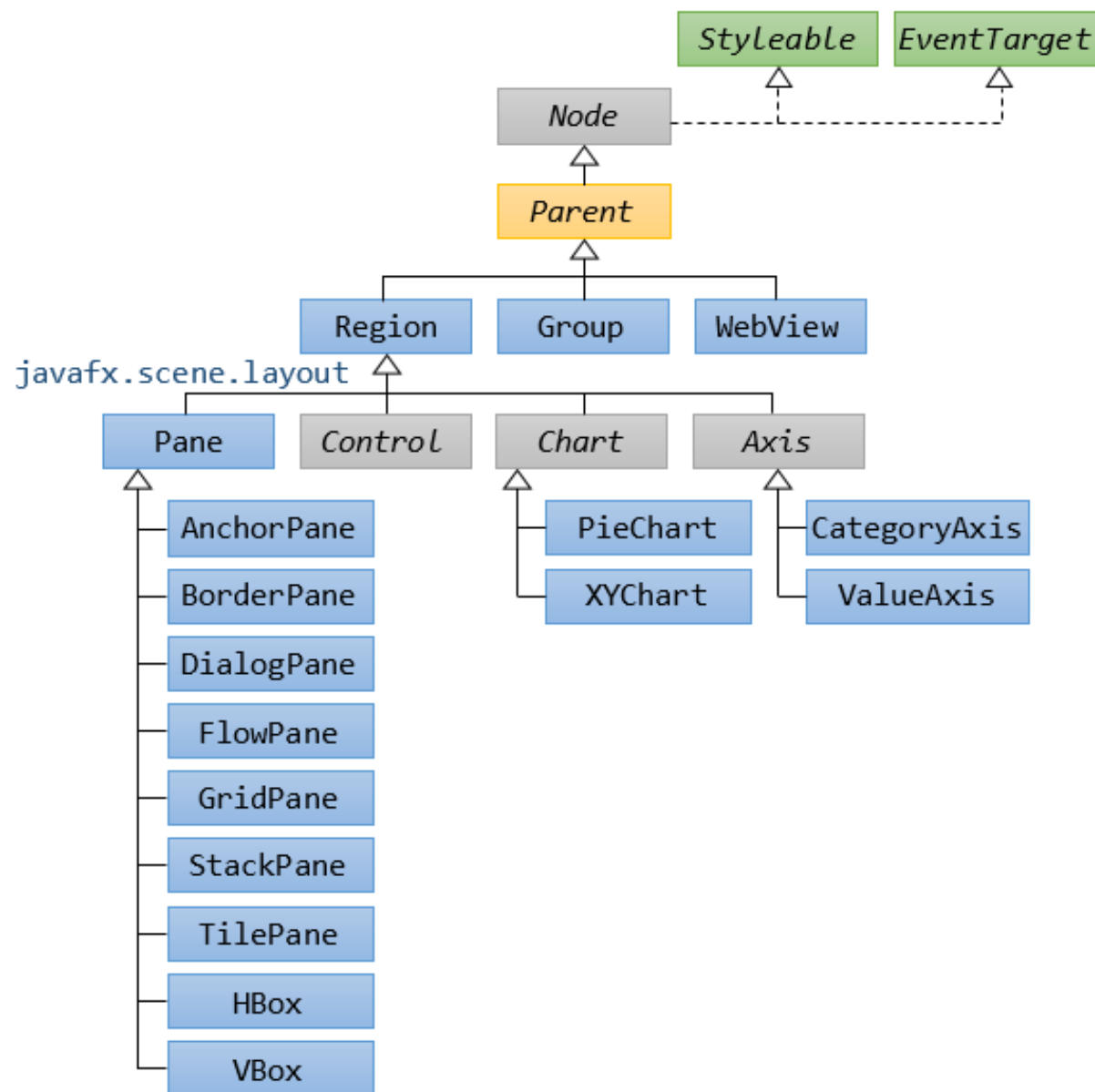
```
stopButton.setOnMouseClicked((new EventHandler<MouseEvent>() {  
    public void handle(MouseEvent event) {  
        pathTransition.stop();  
    }  
}));
```

Full example code: [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx\\_event\\_handling.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx_event_handling.htm)



# Branch Node

- **Branch Node** (Parent): having child nodes. Defined by the abstract class `javafx.scene.Parent` with 3 concrete subclasses:
  - **Group**: Any transform (e.g. rotation), effect, or state applied to a Group will be applied to all children of that group.
  - **Region**: Region is the base class for all UI Controls and layout containers.
  - **WebView**: for HTML content.
- **Leaf Node**



# JavaFX Layout

- Top-level container that organizes nodes in the scene graph
- `javafx.scene.layout` package provides various classes that represent the layouts
- `javafx.scene.layout.Pane` class is the parent class for all these built-in layout classes

```
Pane canvas = new Pane();
canvas.setStyle("-fx-background-color: black;");
canvas.setPrefSize(200,200);
Circle circle = new Circle(50,Color.BLUE);
circle.relocate(20, 20);
Rectangle rectangle = new Rectangle(100,100,Color.RED);
rectangle.relocate(70,70);
canvas.getChildren().addAll(circle,rectangle);
```

## Pane (JavaFX 8) - Oracle

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/javafx/api/javafx/scene/layout/Pane.html>

Pane resizes each managed child regardless of the child's visible property value; unmanaged children are ignored for all layout calculations. Resizable Range A pane's parent will resize the...

## GridPane

`javafx.geometry.Insets` Margin space around the outside of the child. By ...

## BorderPane

A border pane's unbounded maximum width and height are an indication to the parent ...

## StackPane

`javafx.scene.layout.Pane;`  
`javafx.scene.layout.StackPane;` All ...

## TilePane

TilePane (JavaFX 8) - Oracle. children - The initial set of children for this pane. Since: ...

## FlowPane

FlowPane (JavaFX 8) - Oracle. children - The initial set of children for this pane. Since: ...

## HBox

HBox (JavaFX 8) - Oracle. children - The initial set of children for this pane. Since: ...

## VBox

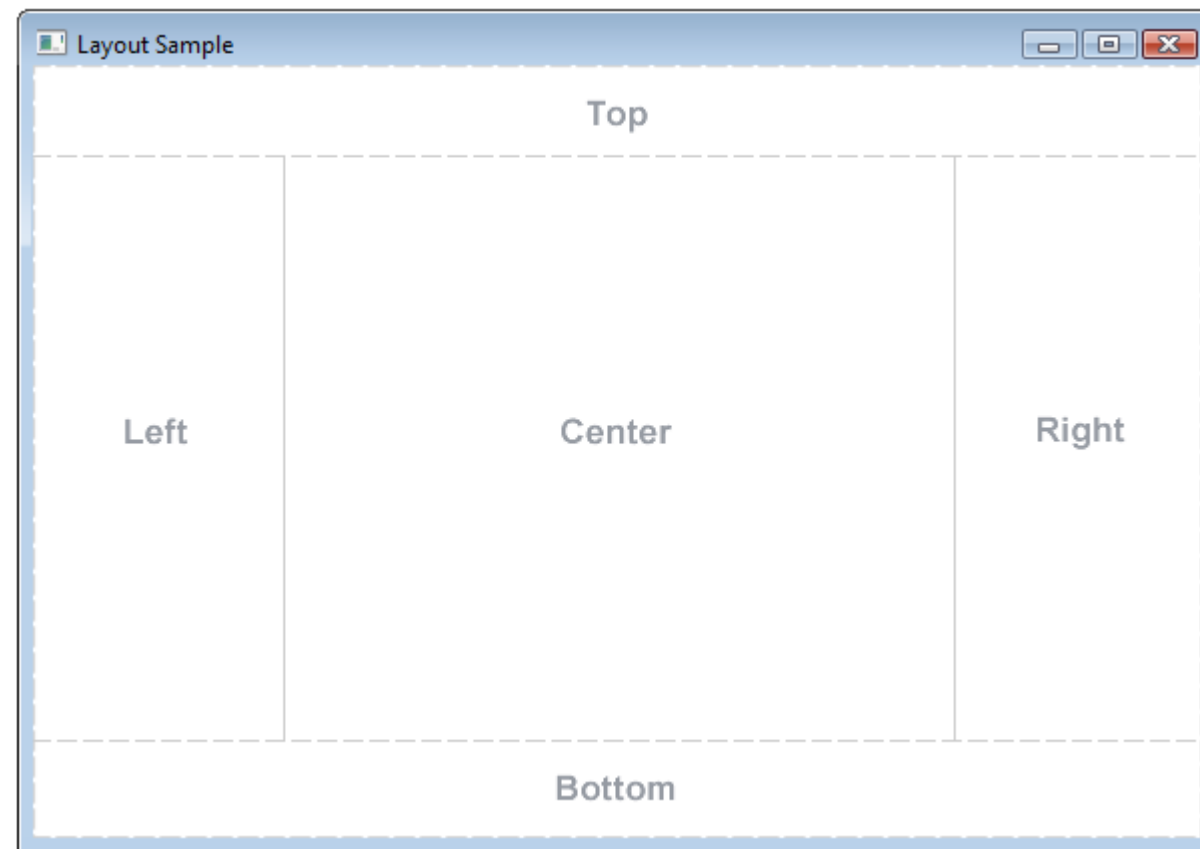
VBox (JavaFX 8) - Oracle. children - The initial set of children for this pane. Since: ...

# BorderPane

The BorderPane layout pane provides five regions in which to place nodes: top, bottom, left, right, and center.

For more details:  
[https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/layout/builtin\\_layouts.htm](https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/layout/builtin_layouts.htm)

Figure 1-1 Sample Border Pane



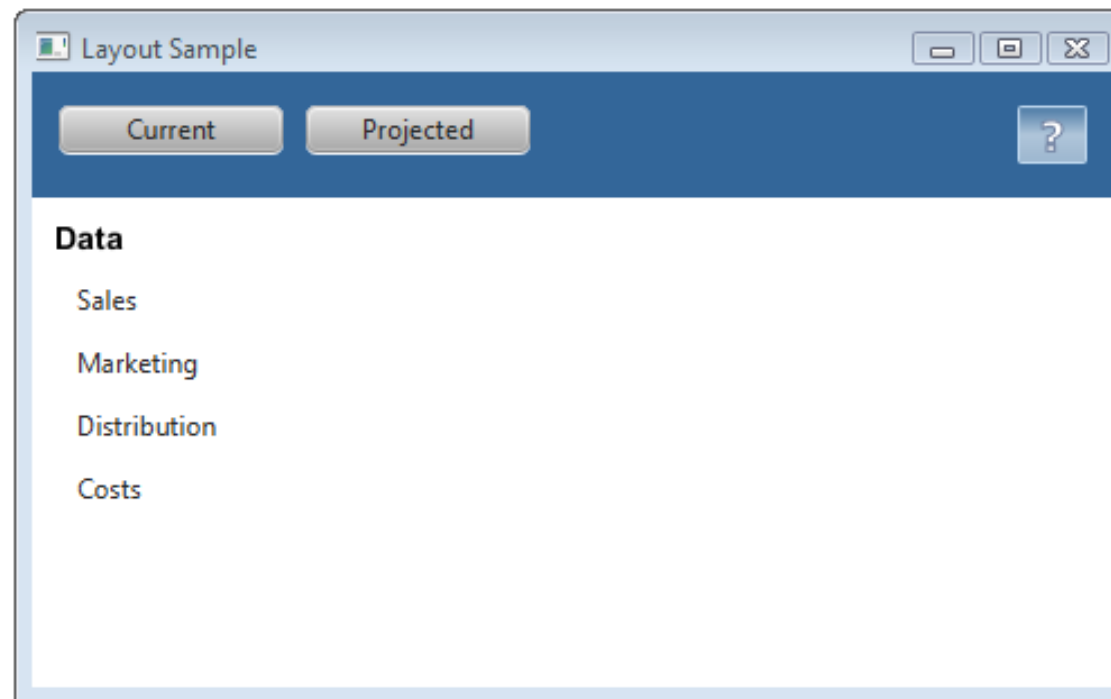
# HBox & VBox Pane

- The HBox layout pane provides an easy way for arranging a series of nodes in a single row
- The VBox layout pane provides an easy way for arranging a series of nodes in a single column

For more details:

[https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/layout/builtin\\_layouts.htm](https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/layout/builtin_layouts.htm)

*Figure 1-5 VBox Pane in a Border Pane*

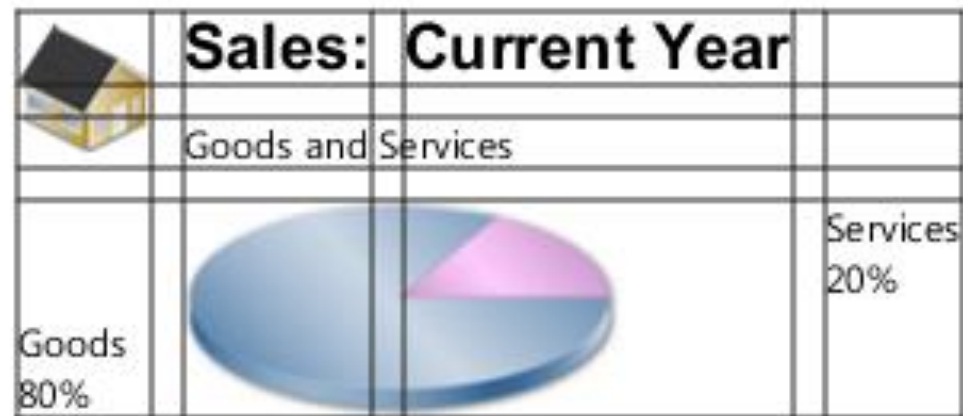


# GridPane

The GridPane layout pane enables you to create a flexible grid of rows and columns in which to lay out nodes.

For more details:  
[https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/layout/builtin\\_layouts.htm](https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/layout/builtin_layouts.htm)

*Figure 1-8 Sample Grid Pane*



# Combine Panes

Different Panes can be combined to make beautiful layout

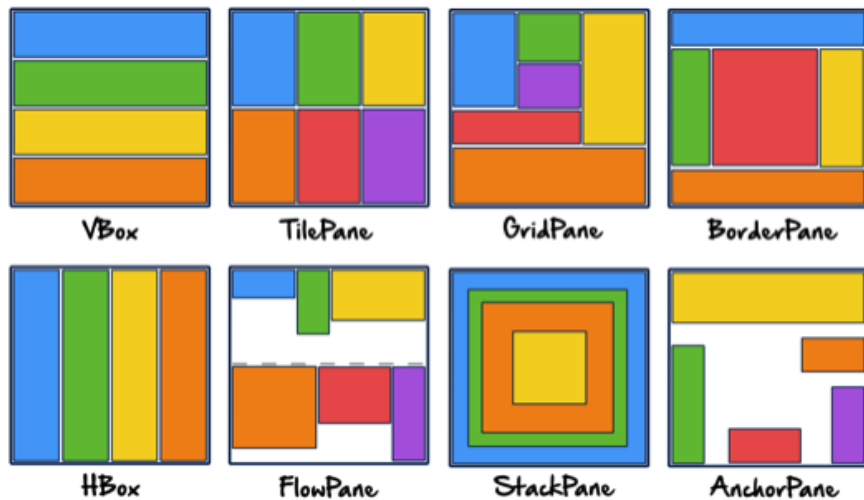
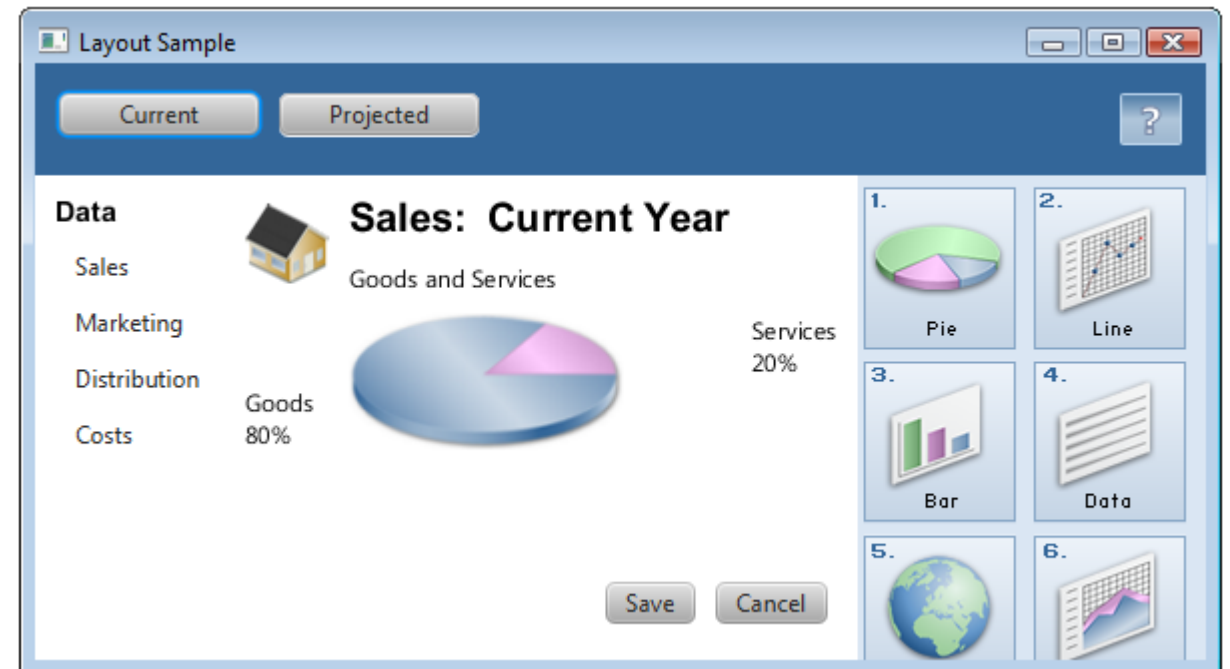
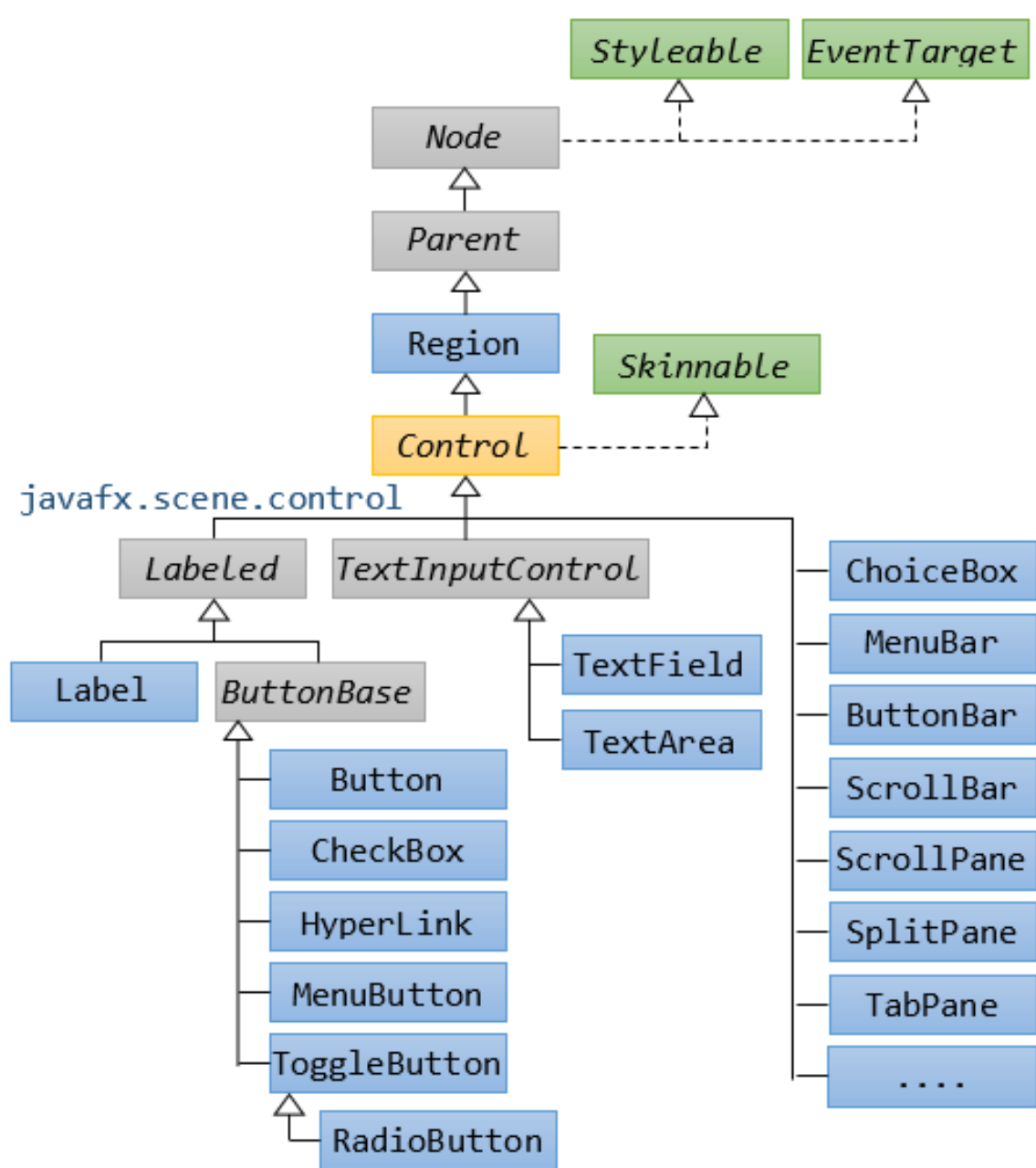


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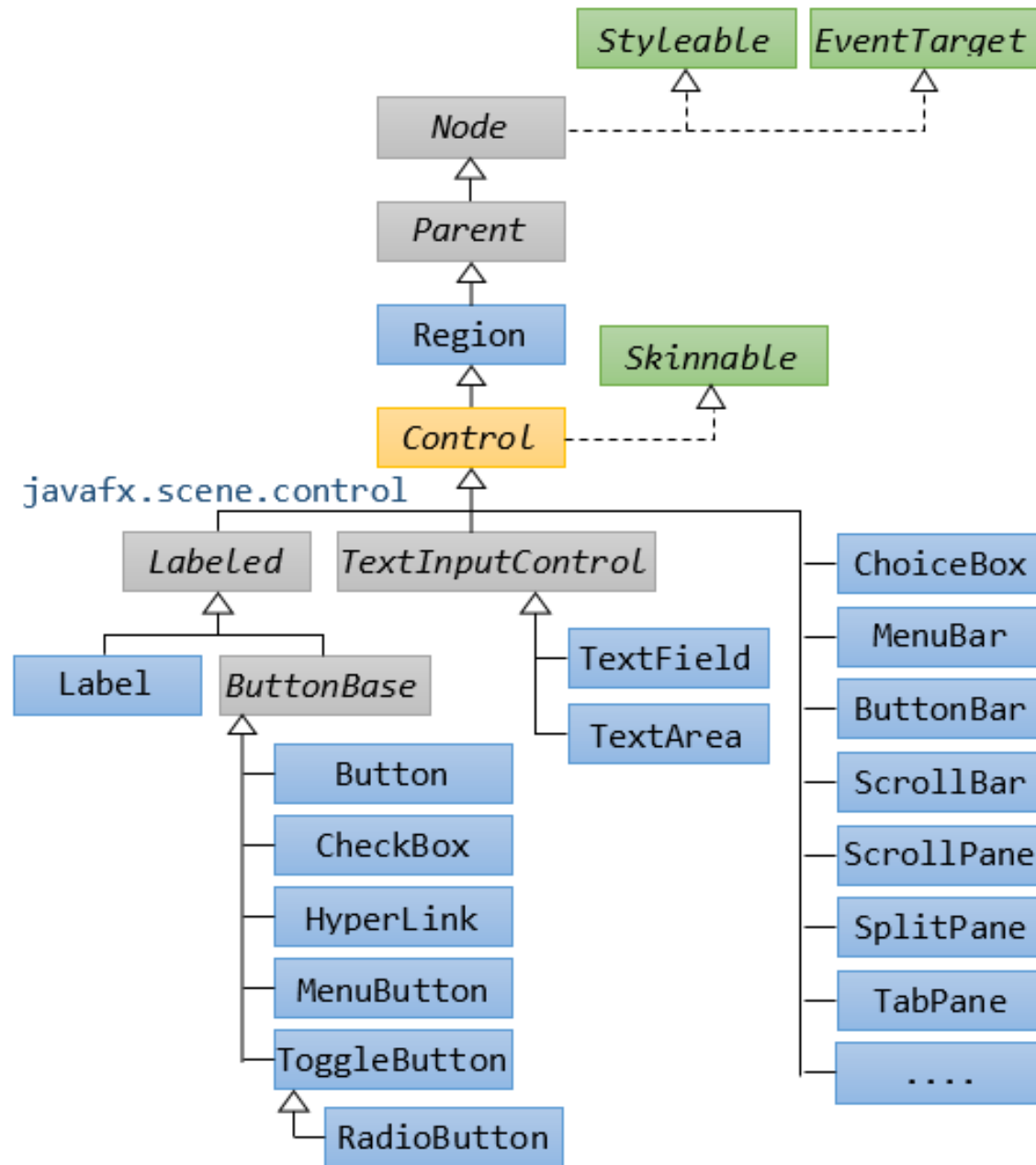
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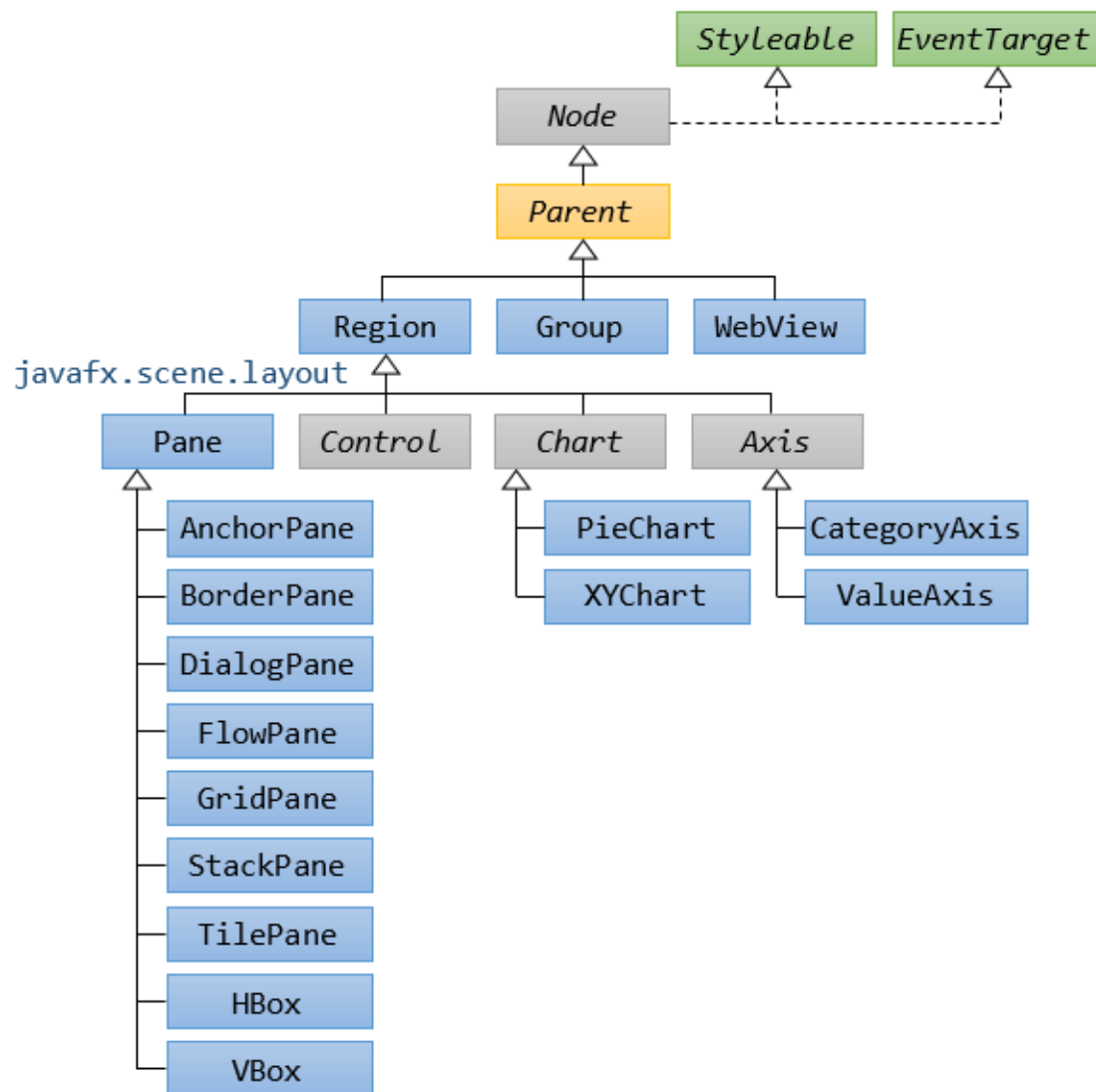




# UI Controls

The **Skinnable** interface allows developers to separate the visual representation (skin) of a control from its behavior and logic.





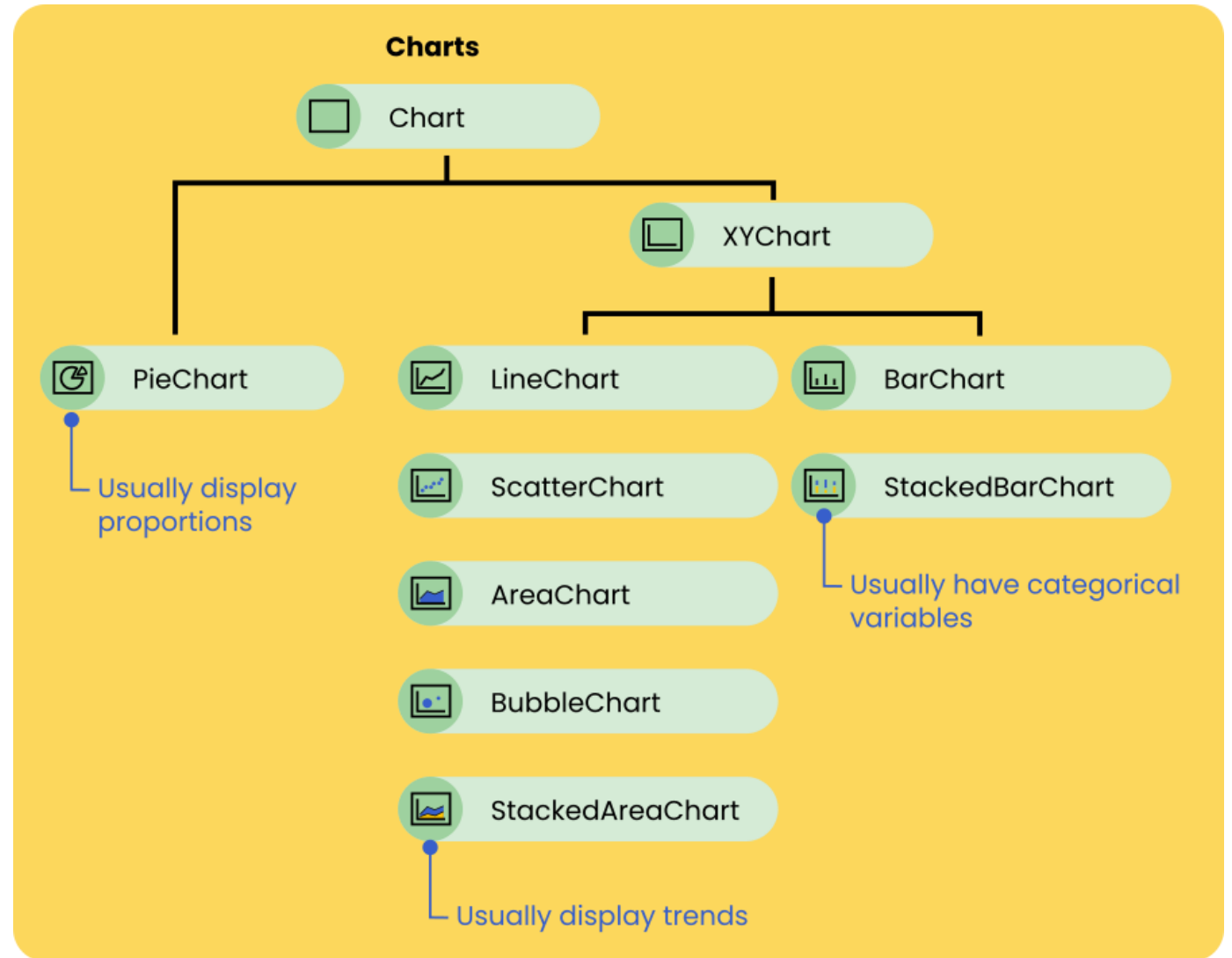
# JavaFX Charts

- Chart: a graphical representation of data in the form of symbols
- JavaFX Chart (`javafx.scene.chart.Chart`) is the base class for all charts. It has 3 parts:
  - Title
  - Legend (图例)
  - `chartContent`

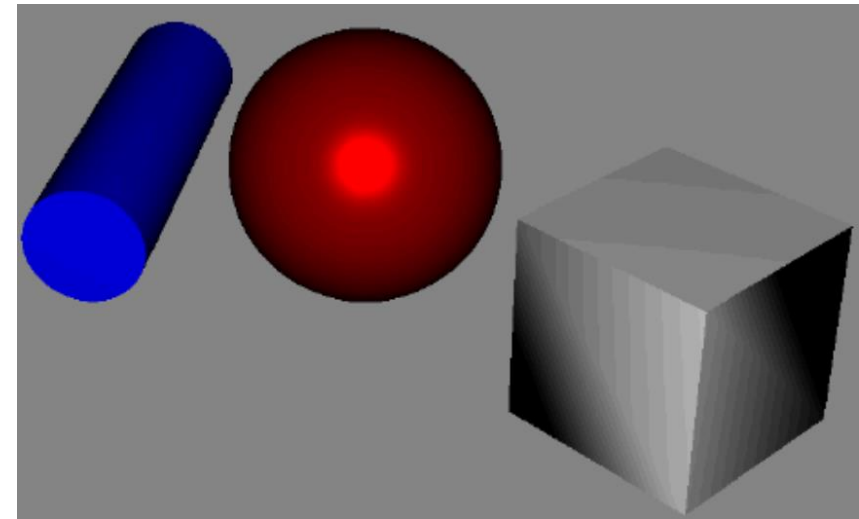
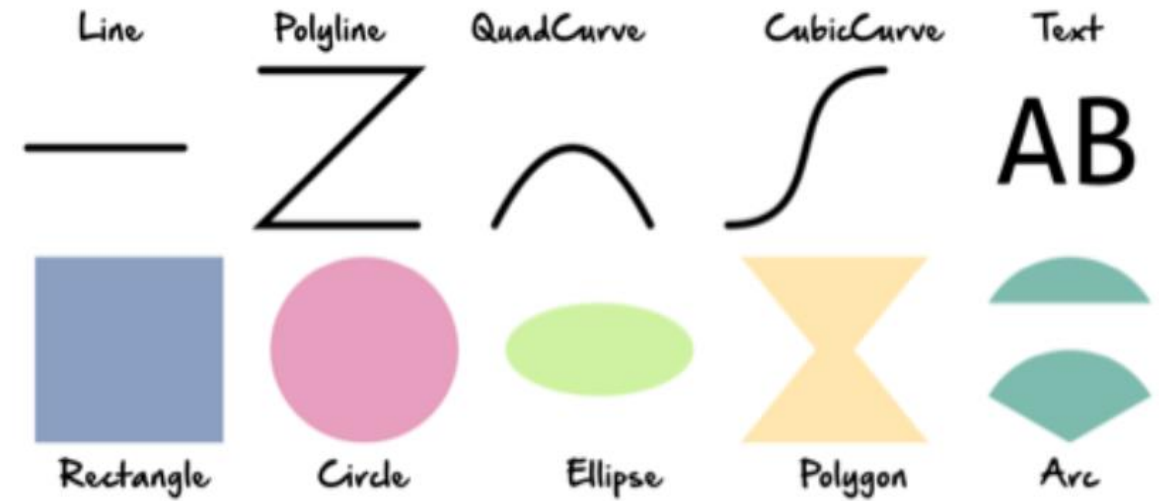
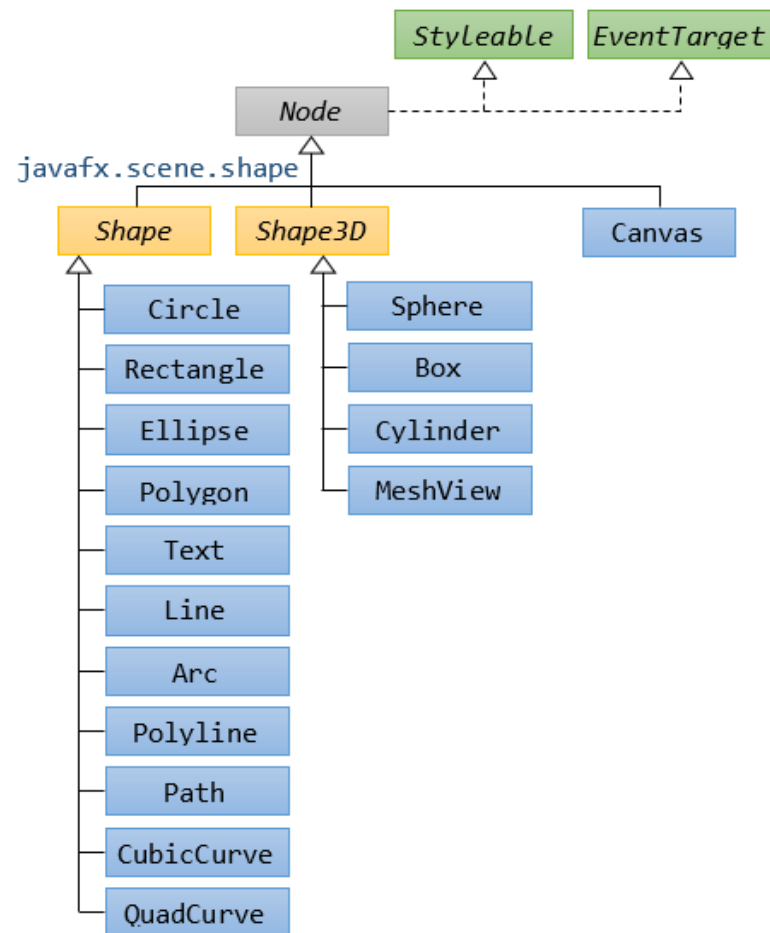
# Types of Charts

JavaFX provides 8 default charts to display data, which fall in two types (PieChart & XYChart)

<https://edencoding.com/javafx-charts/>



# JavaFX Shape



# Shape Properties

- Fill
- Stroke/Outline
- Decoration styles



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Color



LinearGradient



RadialGradient



ImagePattern

# Shape Operations

We could use operations including intersect, union, and subtract to create new shapes

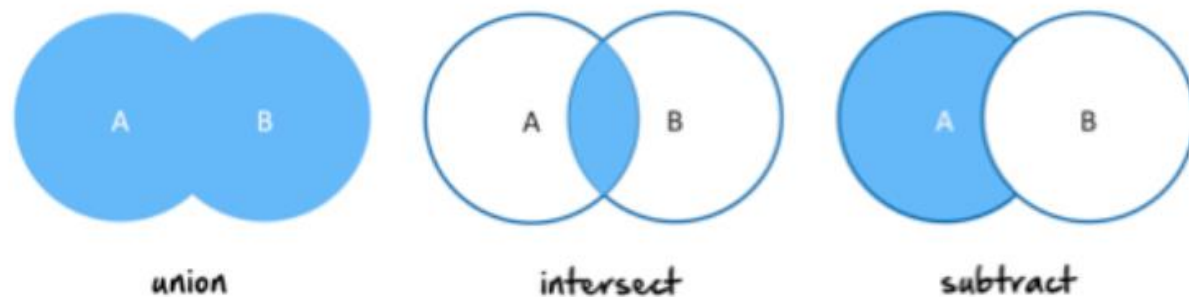


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# JavaFX Shape

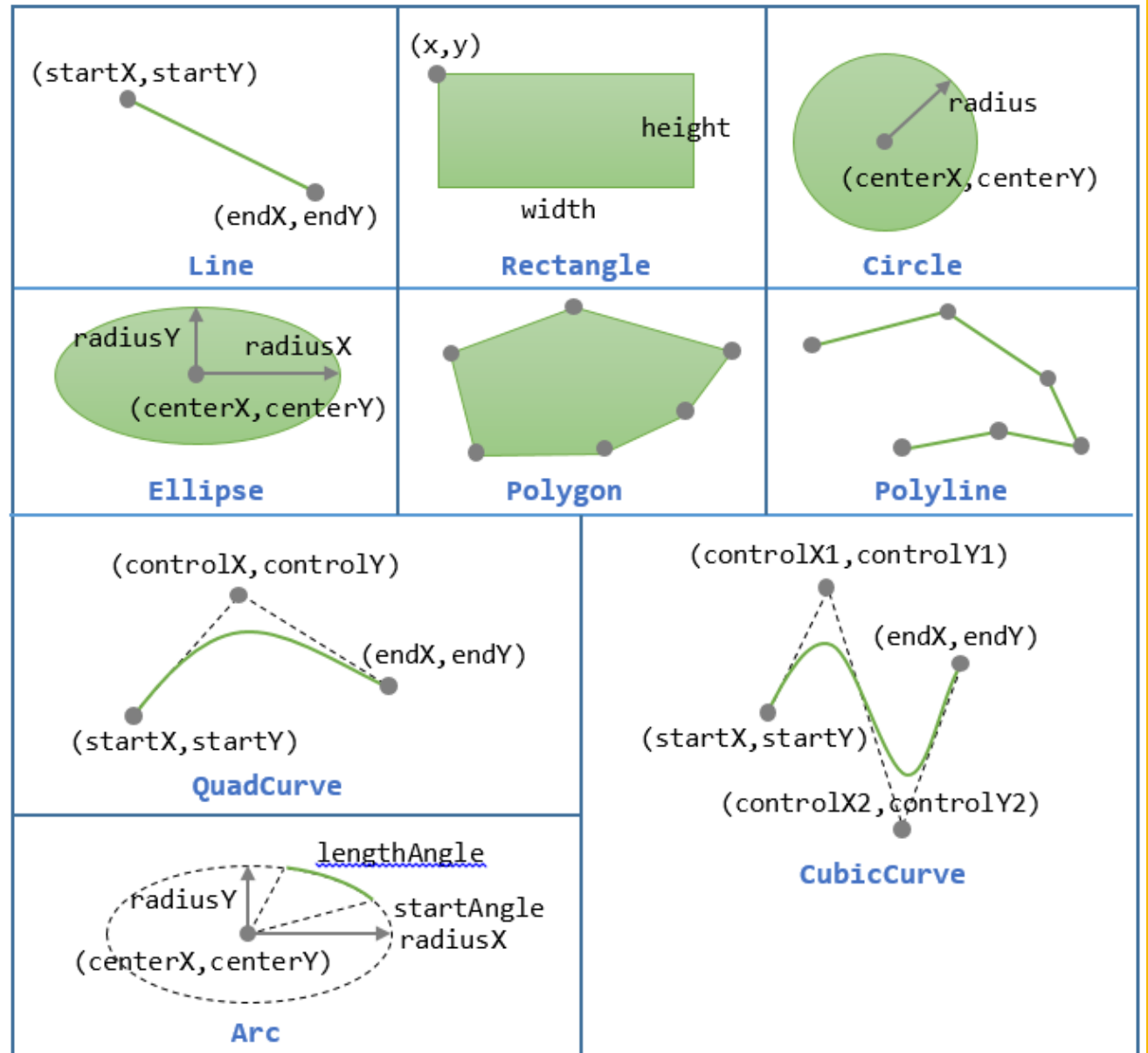
```
Circle circle = new Circle();

//Setting the position of the circle
circle.setCenterX(300.0f);
circle.setCenterY(135.0f);

//Setting the radius of the circle
circle.setRadius(25.0f);

//Setting the color of the circle
circle.setFill(Color.BROWN);

//Setting the stroke width of the circle
circle.setStrokeWidth(20);
```







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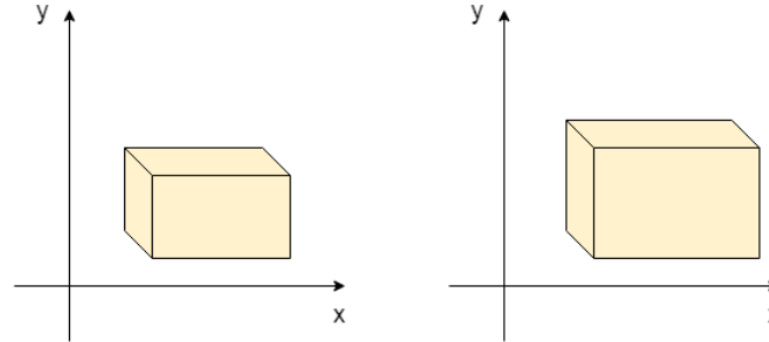
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# JavaFX Transformation

A transformation changes the place of a graphical object in a coordinate system according to certain parameters.

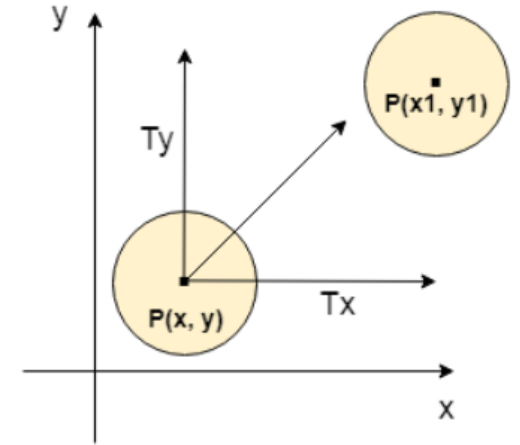
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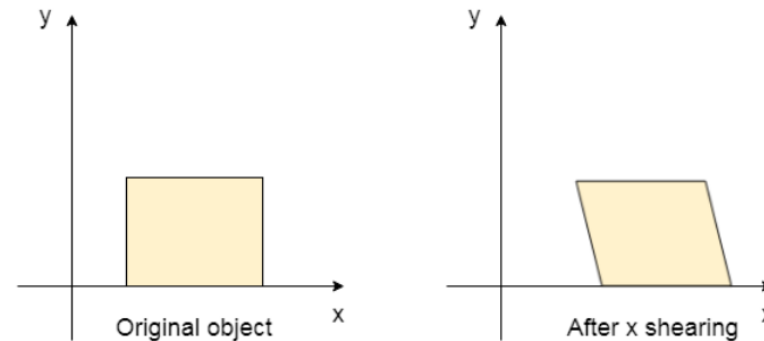
Scaling

Change the size of an object



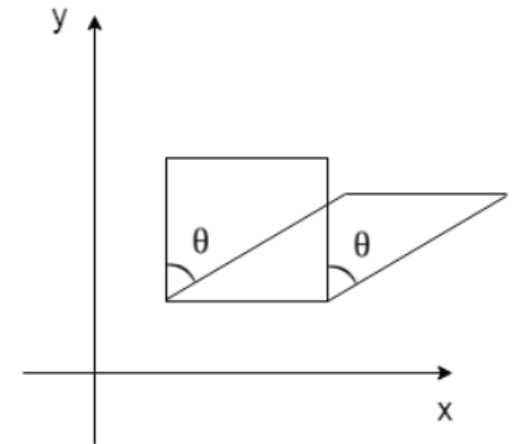
Translation

Change in the position of an object



Shearing

Change the slope of an object w.r.t. any axis

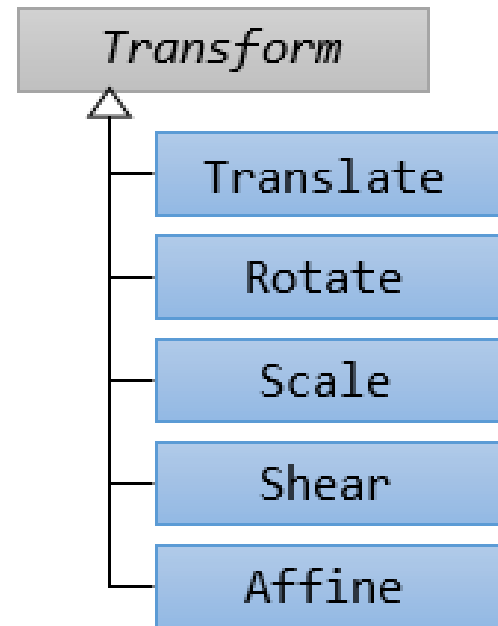


Rotation

Rotate an object by a certain angle  $\theta$

# JavaFX Transformation

`javafx.scene.transform`



- All transformations are represented by various classes in package `javafx.scene.transform`
- `Transform` is the base class for different transformations

```
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(50,50, Color.RED);  
rect.getTransforms().add(new Rotate(45,0,0)); //rotate by 45 degrees
```

# JavaFX Effects

✿ SepiaTone



✿ Glow



✿ ColorAdjust



✿ Reflection

Reflections on JavaFX...  
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not shown:

✿ ColorInput

✿ Shadow

✿ ImageInput

✿ Bloom

Bloom!

✿ Lighting

JavaFX!

✿ DropShadow

JavaFX drop shadow...  
●

✿ InnerShadow

InnerShadow

✿ GaussianBlur

Blurry Text!

✿ BoxBlur

Blurry Text!

✿ MotionBlur

Motion

✿ javafx.scene.effect

✿ DisplacementMap

Wavy Text

✿ PerspectiveTransform

Perspective

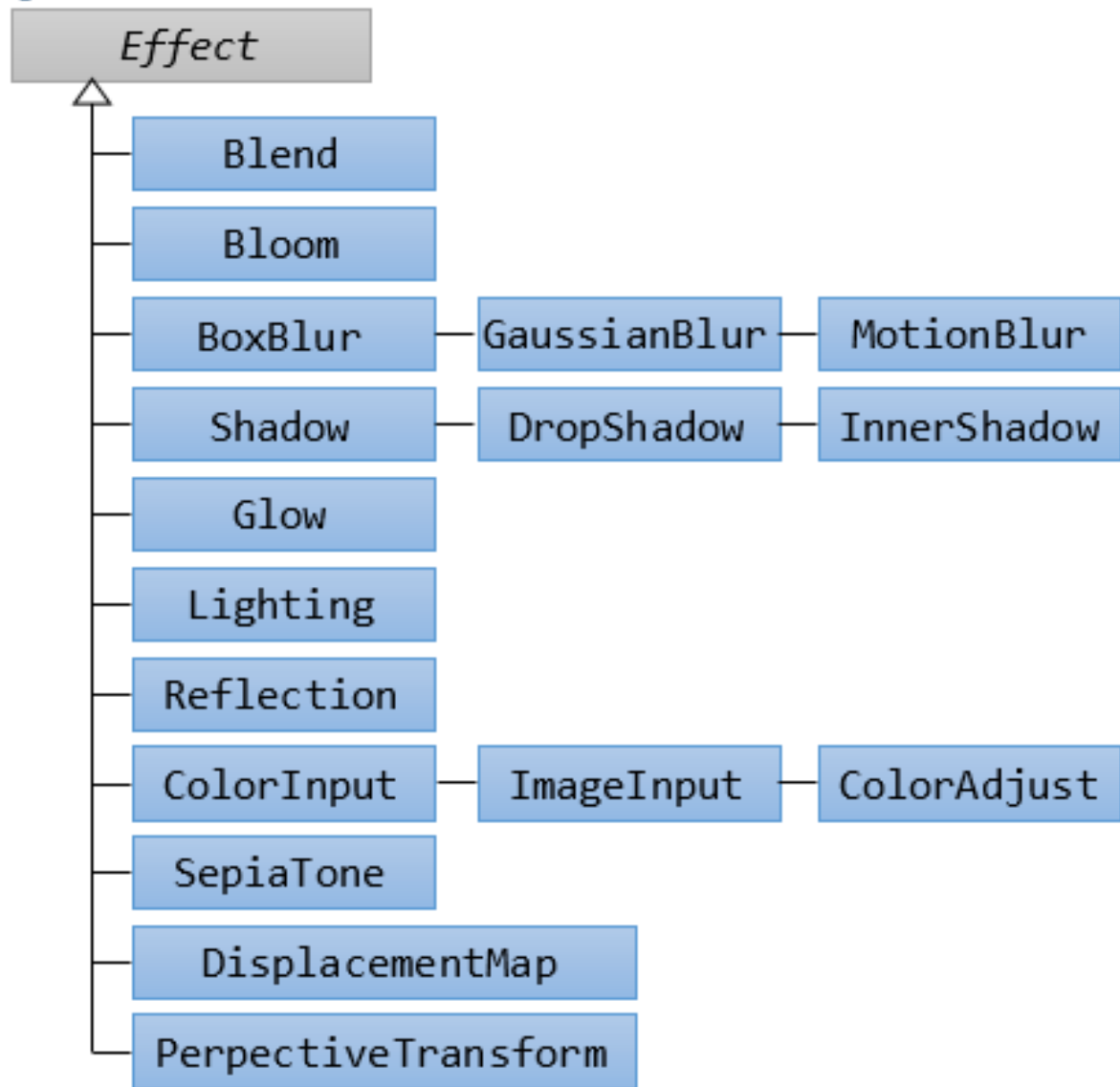
✿ Blend



<https://www.falkhausen.de/JavaFX-10/scene.effect/Effect-examples.html>



`javafx.scene.effect`



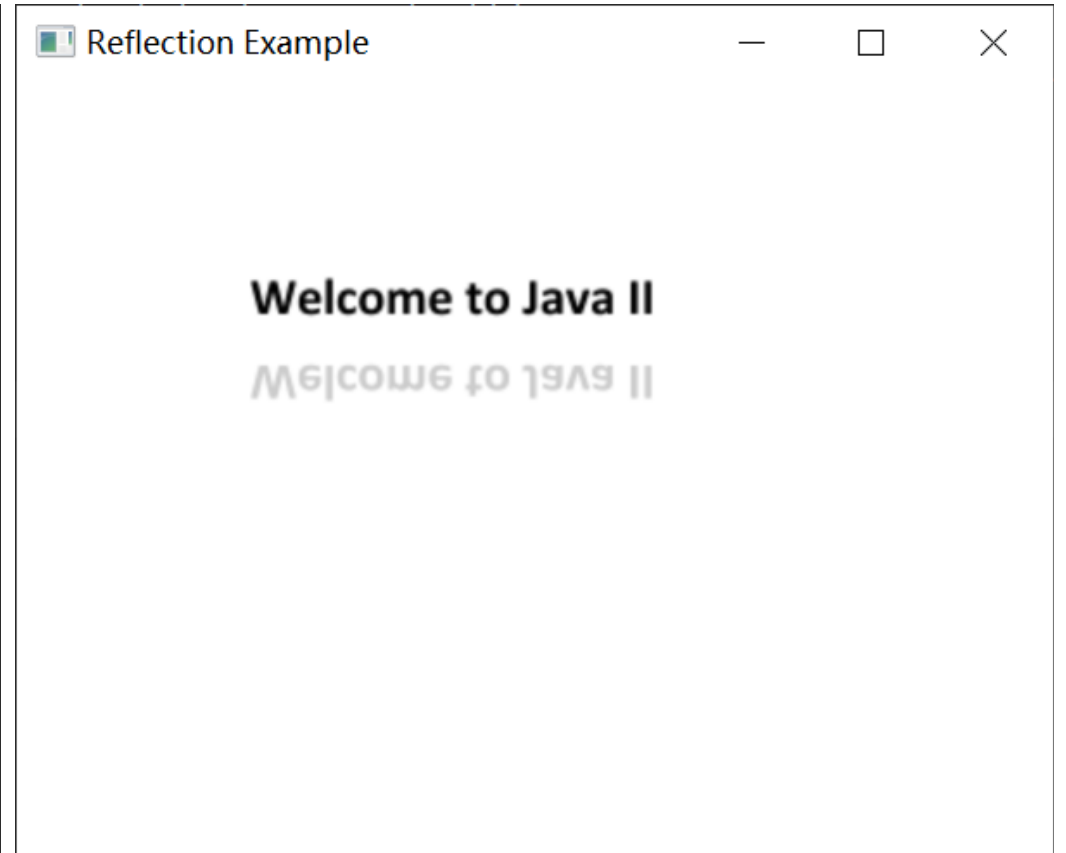
```
Text text = new Text();

Reflection ref = new Reflection();
ref.setBottomOpacity(0.2);
ref.setFraction(12);
ref.setTopOffset(10);
ref.setTopOpacity(0.2);

text.setEffect(ref);

Group root = new Group();
root.getChildren().add(text);

Scene scene = new Scene(root, width: 400, height: 300);
```



Full example: <https://www.javatpoint.com/javafx-reflection-effect>

# Example: Reflection Effect

# JavaFX Animation

## Class Animation

```
java.lang.Object
    javafx.animation.Animation
```

### Direct Known Subclasses:

```
Timeline, Transition
```

## Class Transition

```
java.lang.Object
    javafx.animation.Animation
        javafx.animation.Transition
```

### Direct Known Subclasses:

```
FadeTransition, FillTransition, ParallelTransition, PathTransition,
PauseTransition, RotateTransition, ScaleTransition,
SequentialTransition, StrokeTransition, TranslateTransition
```



# JavaFX Animation Example



# Creating Path

```
//Creating a Path
Path path = new Path();           Extends Shape

//Moving to the starting point
MoveTo moveTo = new MoveTo( x: 208, y: 71);

//Creating line path to a new point           PathElements
LineTo line1 = new LineTo( x: 421, y: 161); Drawing a straight
LineTo line2 = new LineTo( x: 226, y: 232); line from the current
LineTo line3 = new LineTo( x: 332, y: 52); coordinate to the
LineTo line4 = new LineTo( x: 369, y: 250); new coordinates.
LineTo line5 = new LineTo( x: 208, y: 71);

//Adding all the elements to the path
path.getElements().add(moveTo);
path.getElements().addAll(line1, line2, line3, line4, line5);
```

Full example:

[https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx\\_event\\_handling.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx_event_handling.htm)

# Creating Path Transition Animation

Allows the node to animate through a specified path over the specified duration

```
//Creating the path transition
PathTransition pathTransition = new PathTransition();
//Setting the duration of the transition
pathTransition.setDuration(Duration.millis(1000));
//Setting the node for the transition
pathTransition.setNode(circle);
//Setting the path for the transition
pathTransition.setPath(path);
//Setting the orientation of the path
pathTransition.setOrientation(
    PathTransition.OrientationType.ORTHOGONAL_TO_TANGENT);
//Setting the cycle count for the transition
pathTransition.setCycleCount(50);
//Setting auto reverse value to true
pathTransition.setAutoReverse(false);
```

Full example:

[https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx\\_event\\_handling.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx_event_handling.htm)

## Add the Animation Event

When button is clicked, play the animation

```
Button playButton = new Button( text: "Play");  
playButton.setLayoutX(300);  
playButton.setLayoutY(250);  
playButton.setOnMouseClicked((event -> pathTransition.play()));
```

play() is inherited from the Animation class

Full example: [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx\\_event\\_handling.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx/javafx_event_handling.htm)



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# JavaFX FXML

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- **Motivation**

- Design code (appearance) are mixed with the application code (event handling logics)
- Code will be easier to maintain if application design is separated from the application logic

- **JavaFX FXML**

- An XML-based language
- Allows users to build the user interface separate from the application logic



# FXML Structure

A .fxml file to  
design the user  
interface

A controller class  
to implement the  
application logic



# Bootstrap JavaFX Application

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>

<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.VBox?>

<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>

<VBox alignment="CENTER" spacing="20.0" xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml"
      fx:controller="com.example.cs209a_lectures_javafx.HelloController">
    <padding>
        <Insets bottom="20.0" left="20.0" right="20.0" top="20.0"/>
    </padding>

    <Label fx:id="welcomeText"/>
    <Button text="Hello!" onAction="#onHelloButtonClick"/>
</VBox>
```

hello-view.fxml

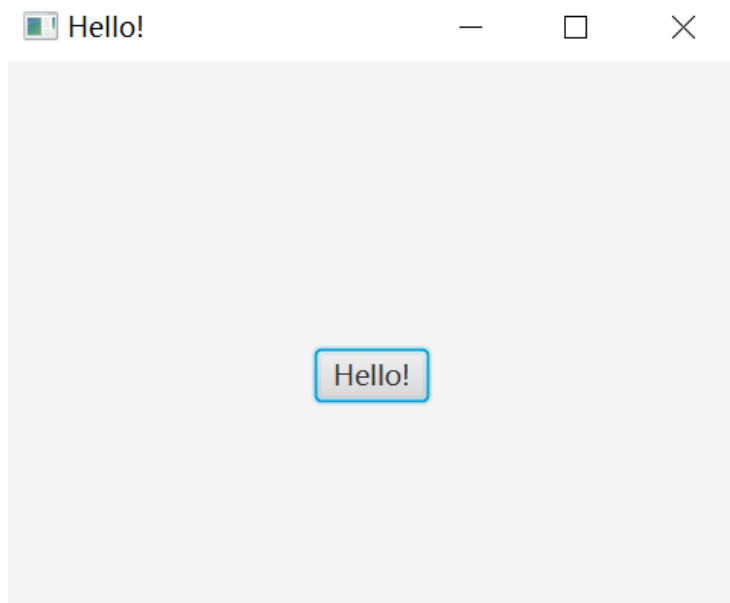
```
import javafx.fxml.FXML;
import javafx.scene.control.Label;

public class HelloController {
    @FXML
    private Label welcomeText;

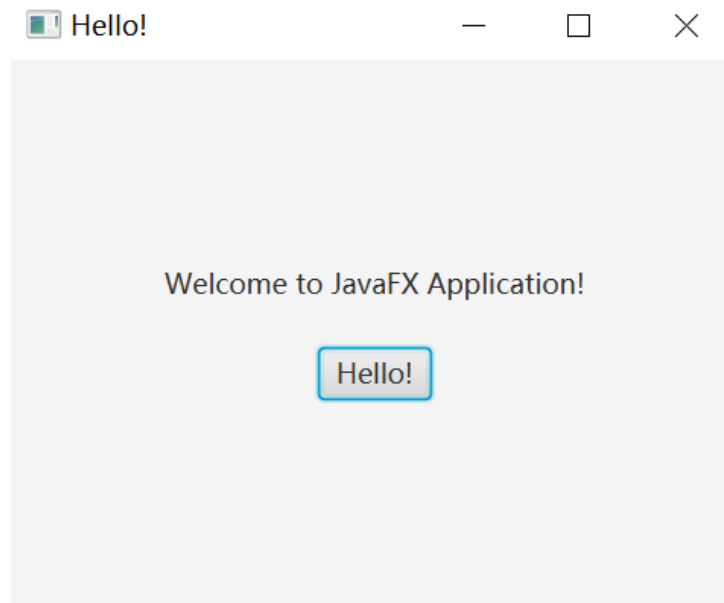
    @FXML
    protected void onHelloButtonClick() {
        welcomeText.setText("Welcome to JavaFX Application!");
    }
}
```

HelloController.java

# Bootstrap JavaFX Application



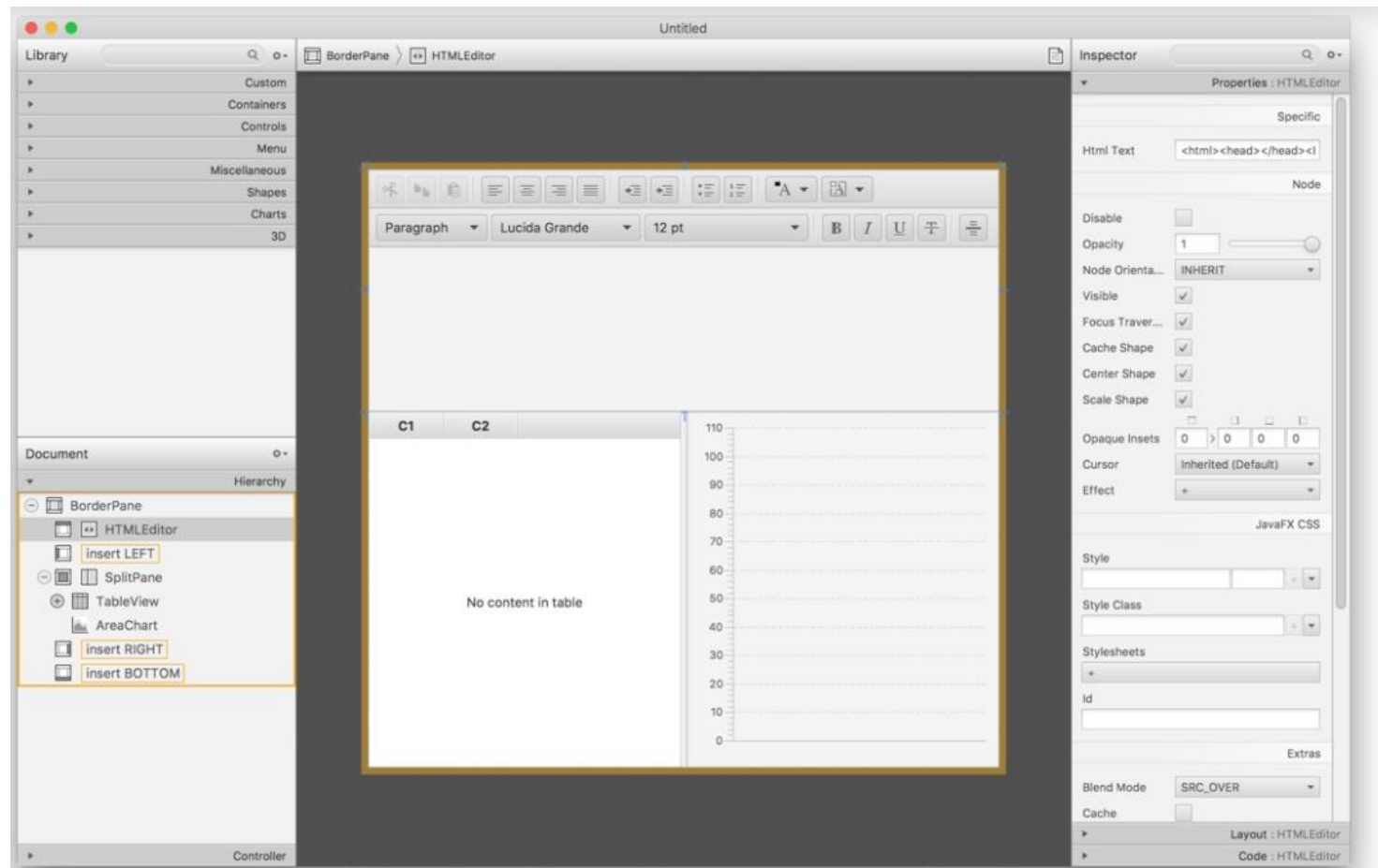
On start



Button clicked

# JavaFX Scene Builder

A visual layout tool that lets users quickly design JavaFX application user interfaces by drag and drop



Drag & Drop,  
Rapid Application  
Development.

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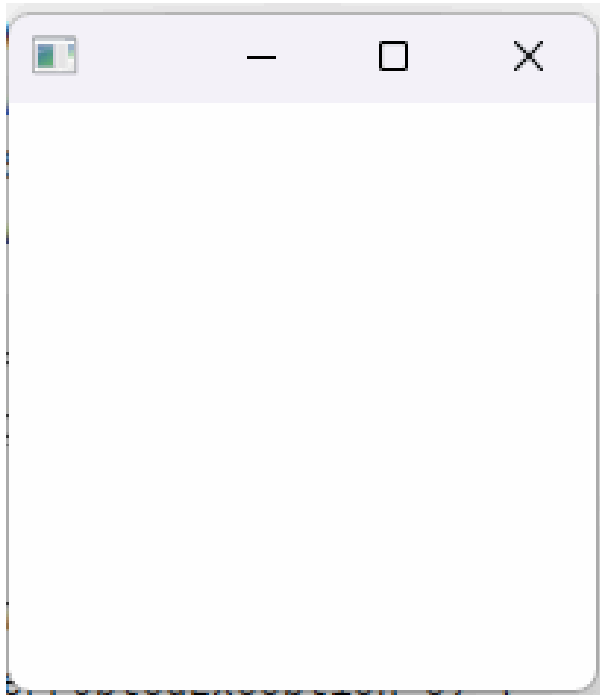
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# JavaFX Threading

- JavaFX UI can only be accessed and modified from the **JavaFX Application thread**
- Creation of JavaFX Scene and Stage objects as well as modification of scene graph **must be done on the JavaFX application thread**.

# JavaFX Threading



```
public class Concurrency extends Application {  
    @Override  
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {  
  
        ProgressBar progressBar = new ProgressBar(0);  
        VBox vBox = new VBox(progressBar);  
        Scene scene = new Scene(vBox, 200, 200);  
        primaryStage.setScene(scene);  
        primaryStage.show();  
  
        double progress = 0;  
        for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
            try {  
                // mimic long-running task  
                Thread.sleep(1000);  
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {  
                e.printStackTrace();  
            }  
  
            progress += 0.1;  
            double reportedProgress = progress;  
            progressBar.setProgress(reportedProgress);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Reference: <https://jenkov.com/tutorials/javafx/concurrency.html>

# JavaFX Threading

- Executing long-running tasks within the JavaFX application thread (e.g., in `start()`) make the GUI **unresponsive** until the task is completed.
- No GUI controls react to mouse clicks, mouse over, keyboard input while the JavaFX application thread is busy running that task.

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            }  
  
            progress += 0.1;  
            final double reportedProgress = progress;  
            progressBar.setProgress(reportedProgress);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

# JavaFX Threading

- Generally, tasks should not interact directly with the UI.
- Doing so creates a **tight coupling** between a specific Task implementation and a specific part of your UI.

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                e.printStackTrace();  
            }  
  
            progress += 0.1;  
            final double reportedProgress = progress;  
            progressBar.setProgress(reportedProgress);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



# JavaFX Threading

- We could also run long-running tasks on **one or more background threads**
- The background thread informs the JavaFX Application thread by **Platform.runLater()** whenever it is time to update the UI.
- JavaFX **Platform.runLater()** takes a Runnable which will be executed by the JavaFX application thread when it has time. From inside this Runnable you can modify the JavaFX scene graph.

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        Scene scene = new Scene(vBox, 200, 200);
        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
        primaryStage.show();

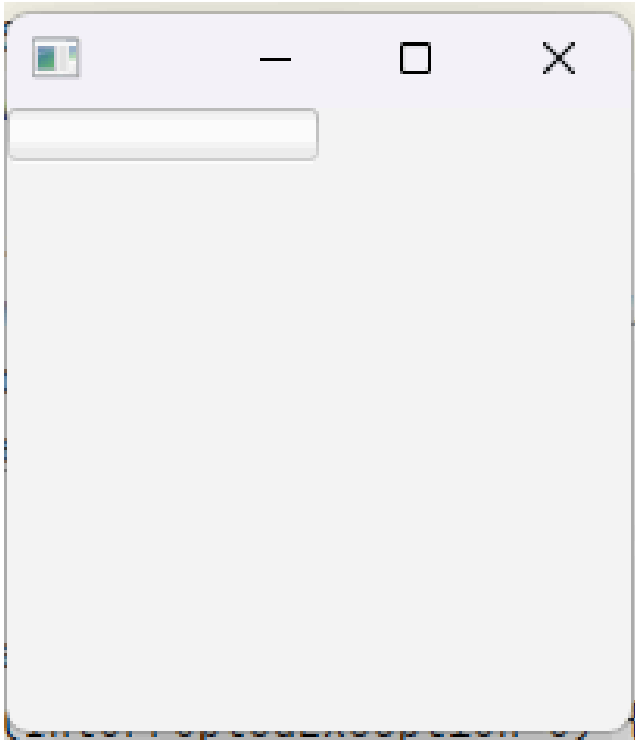
        Thread taskThread = new Thread(() -> {
            double progress = 0;
            for(int i=0; i<10; i++){
                try {
                    Thread.sleep(1000);
                } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                    e.printStackTrace();
                }

                progress += 0.1;
                final double reportedProgress = progress;

                Platform.runLater(() -> progressBar
                    .setProgress(reportedProgress));
            }
        });

        taskThread.start();
    }
}
```

# JavaFX Threading



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                }  
  
                progress += 0.1;  
                final double reportedProgress = progress;  
  
                Platform.runLater(() -> progressBar  
                    .setProgress(reportedProgress));  
            }  
        });  
  
        taskThread.start();  
    }  
}
```

# JavaFX Threading

- The `javafx.concurrent` package leverages the existing `java.util.concurrent` package
- The `Task` class enables developers to implement asynchronous tasks in JavaFX applications.
- The `Service` class executes tasks.

A task can be started in one of the following ways:

- By starting a thread with the given task as a parameter:

```
Thread th = new Thread(task);  
th.setDaemon(true);  
th.start();
```
- By using the `ExecutorService` API:

```
ExecutorService.submit(task);
```

<https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/threads/jfxpub-threads.htm>

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