

Distributed Programming in Java

Session: 2

Basic Swing Components





- ◆ Explain JScrollPane and its methods
- ◆ Explain JSlider and its methods
- ◆ Explain event handling of JSlider
- ◆ Describe JProgressBar and its methods
- ◆ Explain event handling of JProgressBar
- ◆ Describe JFormattedTextField
- ◆ Describe JEditorPane and JTextPane
- ◆ Explain ImageIcon and Border API
- ◆ Identify and explain the need of dialog boxes
- ◆ Identify and explain the different types of JOptionPane
- ◆ Explain JDialog and its methods



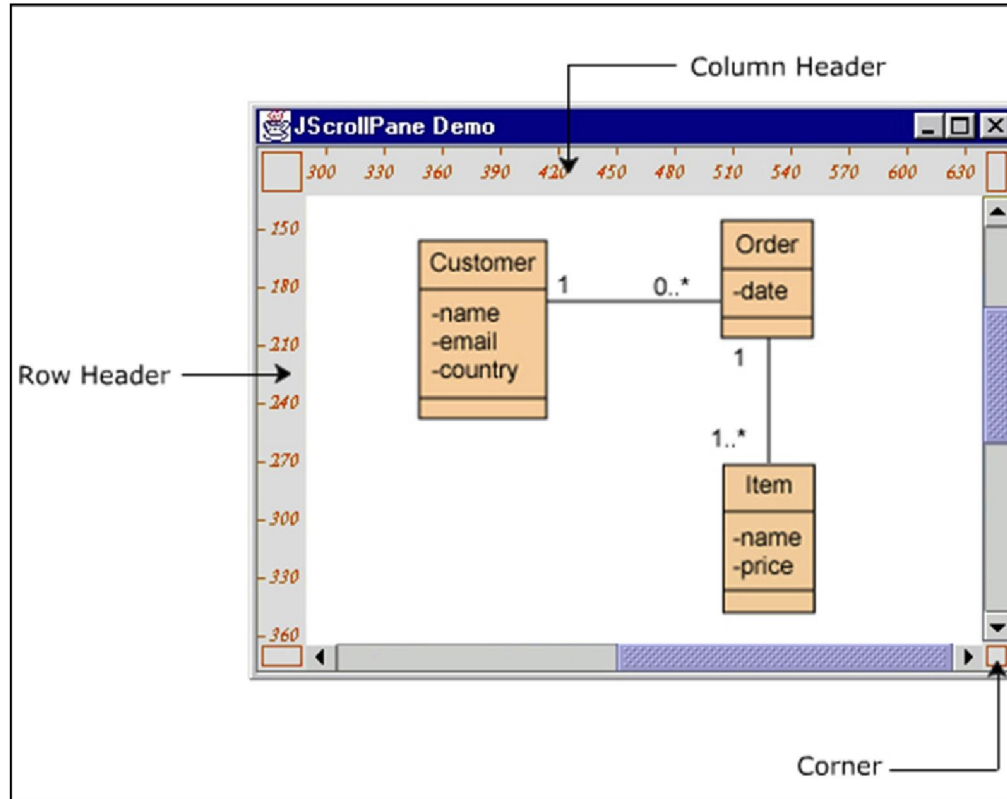
- ◆ The Swing API provides various lightweight components that are useful in visually depicting and manipulating progress.
- ◆ Some of these components are as follows:
 - ◆ `JScrollPane` – Allows scrolling of a component's view.
 - ◆ `JSlider` - Allows the user to select a value by sliding a knob at a given interval.
 - ◆ `JProgressBar` - Allows the user to follow the progress of a task.



- ◆ A `JScrollPane` provides a scrollable view of a component.
- ◆ Some of the Swing components such as `JTextArea`, `JList`, `JTable`, and `JTree` require more space than allocated initially, because they expand.
- ◆ A `JScrollPane` can scroll any component inherited from a `JComponent`.
- ◆ A `JScrollPane` provides both horizontal and vertical scrolling.
- ◆ The `JScrollPane` as part of its view provides four corners where you can add components. These corners are fixed and do not scroll with the scroll bars.
- ◆ Apart from these four corners, two more headers are provided namely, Row Header and Column Header.



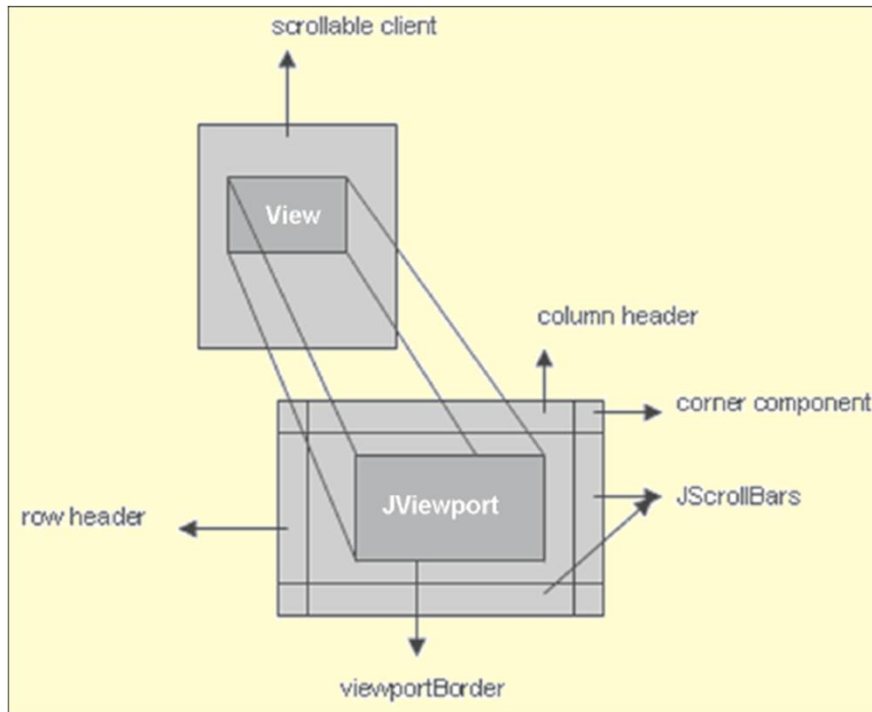
- ◆ Figure shows the corners and headers of JScrollPane.



- ◆ **RowHeader** – A row header is provided between the top-left corner and the bottom-left corner, which can scroll vertically as the scroll bars start scrolling.
- ◆ **ColumnHeader** – A column header is provided between the top-left and top-right corners, which scroll as the scroll bars start scrolling.

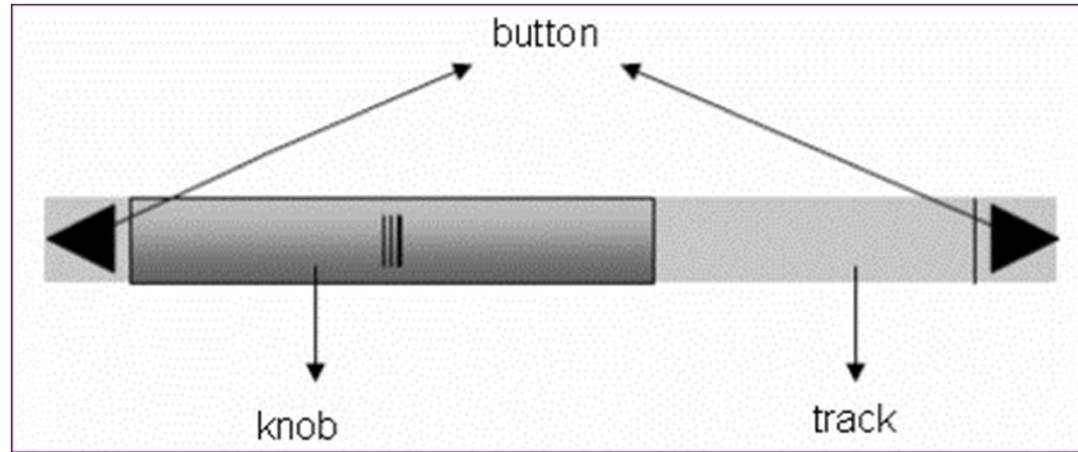


- ◆ The JScrollPane has a JViewport which manages the visible area of the client.
- ◆ The viewport computes the bounds of the current visible area, based on the positions of the scroll bars.
- ◆ The scroll panes client is known as the view or viewport's view.
- ◆ The client of a scroll pane can be changed dynamically by invoking the `setViewportView()` method.
- ◆ Figure shows the viewport of JScrollPane.





- ◆ The three distinguished areas of a scroll bar are: knob, track, and button.



- ◆ On a vertical scroll bar as the user moves the knob, the visible area of the client moves up and down.
- ◆ Similarly, on a horizontal scroll bar as the user moves the knob, the visible area of the client moves back and forth.
- ◆ The knob position is proportionate to the visible area relative to the client.
- ◆ On clicking the arrow button, the user scrolls by unit increment whereas on clicking the track, the user scrolls by block increment.



- ◆ A JScrollPane is created by invoking its constructor and passing the component as an argument.
- ◆ The JScrollPane is then added to a container like any other components.
- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to add a JTextArea component to a JScrollPane.

Code Snippet

```
JFrame frmDisplay;  
ScrollPane scpScrollPane;  
JTextArea txaNotes;  
.  
.  
.  
    txaNotes = new JTextArea();  
    frmDisplay = new JFrame("Scroll Pane");  
// Provides the text area to the scroll pane  
    scpScrollPane = new JScrollPane( txaNotes);  
// Adds the scroll pane to the frame.  
    frmDisplay.getContentPane().add( scpScrollPane);
```


Dynamically Changing the Clients Size



- ◆ The two steps to be followed by the programmer when the client of a `JScrollPane` is changed dynamically with the `setViewportView()` method are as follows:
 - ◆ Set the preferred size of the client with `setPreferredSize()` method
 - ◆ Invoke `revalidate()` method on the client
- ◆ The `revalidate()` method is required to be invoked so that the scroll pane can update itself and adjust the scroll bars.
- ◆ When the client size changes dynamically the scroll bars adjust automatically, however, the scroll pane or viewport does not resize.
- ◆ Code Snippet demonstrates how to dynamically change the client's size.

Code Snippet

```
JPanel pnlClient;  
JScrollPane scpScroller;  
// Initialize the Client  
pnlClient = new JPanel();  
pnlClient.setSize(600,600);  
// Add the components of the client  
...  
// Construct the scroll pane with the old view  
scpScroller = new JScrollPane(pnlClient);  
...  
// Resize the client  
pnlClient.setSize(600,800);  
// Add more components to the client  
...  
pnlClient.setPreferredSize(600,800);  
pnlClient.revalidate();
```



- ◆ `public void setCorner(String key, Component corner):` This method is used to set a component at the corner of the JScrollPane.
- ◆ `public void setHorizontalScrollBarPolicy(int policy):` This method determines when the horizontal scroll bar appears in the scroll pane.
- ◆ `public void setVerticalScrollBarPolicy(int policy):` This method determines when the vertical scroll bar appears in the scroll pane.
- ◆ `public void setRowHeaderView (Component view):` This method is used to add a vertically long component as the row header. The component scrolls up and down when the vertical scroll bars start scrolling.
- ◆ `public void setColumnHeaderView (Component view):` This method is used to add a horizontally long component as the column header. The component scrolls left and right when the horizontal scroll bars start scrolling.



- ◆ A `JSlider` is a component which lets the user to select a numeric value within a bounded range, by sliding the slider on the slider bar.
- ◆ This component guarantees that the value selected by the user will always be in the specified range.
- ◆ Examples of slider bar usage are 'Speaker Volume' and 'RGB Values for generating Color shade'.
- ◆ Advantage of using a slider bar for giving a numeric value is that you can preview the graphical effect of specifying the value dynamically.
- ◆ Figure displays a slider bar.
- ◆ Constructors:
 - ◆ `JSlider()`
 - ◆ `JSlider(int orientation)`
 - ◆ `JSlider(int min, int max)`
 - ◆ `JSlider(int min, int max, int value)`
 - ◆ `JSlider(int orientation, int min, int max, int value)`





- ◆ **public int getValue():** Returns the current position of the slider in the slider bar as an integer.
- ◆ **public void setValue(int value):** Sets the position of the slider bar programmatically. The value sent as the parameter should be within the range of minimum and maximum value of the slider bar.
- ◆ **public void setOrientation(int orientation):** Is used to set the orientation of the slider bar to either horizontal or vertical.
- ◆ **public void setMajorTickSpacing(int spacing):** Is used to set the major tick spacing. For example, if you have a slider with the range 0 to 20 and major tick spacing set to 10, then you will get ticks at 0, 10, and 20.
- ◆ **public void setMinorTickSpacing(int spacing):** Is used to set the minor tick spacing. For example, consider a slider with the range 0 to 20, major tick spacing set to 10 and minor tick spacing set to 5. Then you will get 5 ticks between each major ticks.



- ◆ **public void setSnapToTicks(boolean set):** Snaps the slider to the nearest tick mark wherever the user positions the slider.
- ◆ **public void setPaintTicks(boolean set):** Determines whether the ticks are displayed on the slider bar. By default the ticks are not displayed.
- ◆ **public void setPaintTrack(boolean set):** Determines whether the track of the slider bar should be painted.
- ◆ **public void setPaintLabels(boolean set):** Determines whether the labels of the slider bar should be painted.



- ◆ A `JSlider` component listens using the `javax.swing.event.ChangeListener` interface.
- ◆ A `JSlider` has the method `addChangeListener` to register a listener.
- ◆ This method is used to register a listener with the slider bar.
- ◆ The interface `ChangeListener` has a method `stateChanged`.
- ◆ Every time you move the slider, the slider bar fires an event and the control is delegated to this method.
- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to add the listener to the slider bar.

Code Snippet

```
JSlider sdrSlider;  
.  
.  
.  
sdrSlider.addChangeListener(new ChangeListener() {  
    public void stateChanged(ChangeEvent ce) {  
        // Action code  
        . . .  
        . . .  
    }  
});
```



- ◆ A Swing Timer fires one or more `ActionEvent` events after a specified delay.
- ◆ A Timer can be configured to fire the event repeatedly or only once.
- ◆ To use a Timer, you have to specify the delay in milliseconds, and listener object of type `ActionListener`.
- ◆ **Use of Timer in Developing GUI**
 - ◆ Useful in GUI application especially where animations are used to trigger the displaying of the next frame in the animation.
 - ◆ Used in a GUI application where a user is supposed to respond in a stipulated time, for example, to answer a question.
- ◆ **Constructor Method**

```
Timer(int delay, ActionListener listener)
```
- ◆ **Start Timer**
 - ◆ To start the timer, you invoke the `start()` method of the `Timer` class.
 - ◆ Once started, the timer will fire the associated action events every specified time.



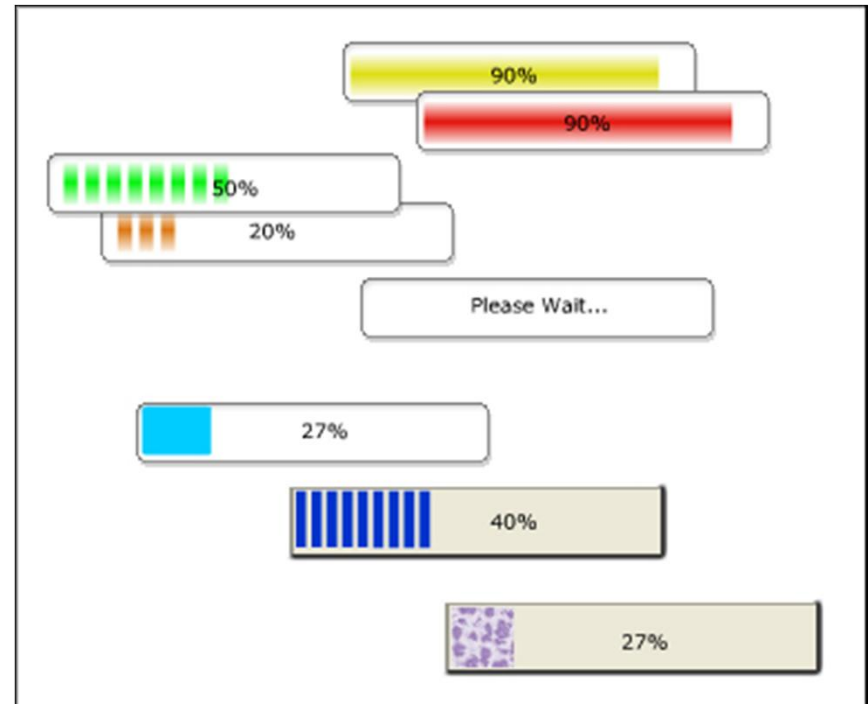
- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create a timer which will repeatedly fire an action event every five seconds to display an alert message.

Code Snippet

```
Timer tmrAlert;  
// Creates the timer with action event to be fired  
//after every 5 seconds  
tmrAlert = new Timer(5000, new ActionListener() {  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent ae)  
    {  
        // Action Code  
        . . .  
        // Display the Alert Message  
        . . .  
    }  
});
```




- ◆ A progress bar typically indicates the progress of a time consuming event by displaying its percentage of completion.
- ◆ Normally progress bars are used in splash screens to display the loading status of an application.
- ◆ They are also used to display the progress of a time consuming operation such as copying files from one location to another.
- ◆ Figure displays the progress bar.





- ◆ Swing component `JProgressBar` displays the progress of any task.
- ◆ For example, it can display a progress bar indicating the installation progress in percentage terms.
- ◆ **Constructors:**
 - ◆ `JProgressBar()`
 - ◆ `JProgressBar(int orient)`
 - ◆ `JProgressBar(int min, int max)`
 - ◆ `JProgressBar(int orient, int min, int max)`
- ◆ Code Snippet demonstrates how to use an indeterminate type progress bar.

Code Snippet

```
JProgressBar pgb = new JProgressBar();  
// to set indeterminate type progress bar assign  
//boolean value to true otherwise false  
pgb.setIndeterminate(true);
```



- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create a vertically oriented progress bar with 0 as minimum value, 100 as maximum value, and add it to the frame.

Code Snippet

```
. . .
JProgressBarDemo() {
// Creates a panel container
    JPanel jPanel = new JPanel();
// Creates progress bar with minimum value 0 and maximum value 100
    JProgressBar pgbLongTask = new JProgressBar(JProgressBar.VERTICAL,
0, 100);
    pgbLongTask.setValue(50);
    jPanel.add(pgbLongTask);
// Adds panel to the frame
    add(jPanel);
// Sets the attributes of the frame
    setVisible(true);
    setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
    pack();
. . .
```

Updating the Progress Bar [1-2]



- ◆ Once the progress bar is created and displayed, you invoke the `setValue()` method of the progress bar to update the progress.
- ◆ The argument sent in the method should be within the bounded range of the progress bar.
- ◆ Typically, a `Timer` is used to determine the amount of task completed and accordingly update the progress bar.

Code Snippet

```
JProgressBar pgbLongTask;  
JFrame frmProgress;  
Timer tmrProgress;  
int taskCompleted = 0;  
  
// Creates the progress bar with the minimum value 0 and maximum  
// value 100  
pgbLongTask = new JProgressBar(0, 100);  
  
// Adds the progress bar to the frame  
frmProgress.getContentPane().add(pgbLongTask);
```

Updating the Progress Bar [2-2]



```
// Creates the timer with the action event to be fired after every 2 //seconds
tmrProgress = new Timer(2000, new ActionListener() {
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent ae)
{
    // Action Code
    // Compute the percentage of task completed
    taskCompleted = 50;
    // Update the progress bar with the percentage of
    // task completed
    taskCompleted = 50;
    // Update the progress bar with the percentage of
    // task completed
    pgbLongTask.setValue(taskCompleted);
        . . .
}
});
```

Methods of JProgressBar [1-3]



- ◆ **void setMinimum(int n):** This method is used to set the minimum value of the progress bar.
- ◆ **void setMaximum(int n):** This method is used to set the maximum value of the progress bar.
- ◆ **void setValue(int n):** This method is used to set the progress value of the progress bar.
- ◆ **void setString(String s):** This method is used to set the string representation of the numeric value of progress. Once set the progress bar will use this value followed by the percentage sign. The `setStringPainted()` method decides whether the string will be displayed or not.
- ◆ **void setStringPainted(boolean b):** This method determines whether the string representation of the numeric value is to be displayed or not.

Methods of JProgressBar [2-3]



- ◆ Table lists other methods of JProgressBar.

Method	Description
<code>void setIndeterminate(boolean)</code>	Setting boolean value to 'True' will make indeterminate progress bar. Setting Boolean value to 'false' will make it determinate, which is default.
<code>void setOrientation(int)</code>	Sets a progress bar horizontal or vertical by specifying JProgressBar.HORIZONTAL or JProgressBar.VERTICAL.
<code>int getOrientation()</code>	Gets a horizontal/vertical progress bar
<code>String getString()</code>	Gets percentage string
<code>public int getValue()</code>	Returns current value from BoundedRangeModel.
<code>public int getMinimum()</code>	Returns current minimum value from BoundedRangeModel.
<code>public int getMaximum()</code>	Returns current maximum value from BoundedRangeModel.
<code>protected ChangeListener createChangeListener()</code>	Used to implement custom ChangeListener.
<code>public void addChangeListener (ChangeListener cI)</code>	Adds specified ChangeListener to progress bar.

Methods of JProgressBar [3-3]



Method	Description
<code>public void removeChangeListener(ChangeListener cI)</code>	Removes ChangeListener from progress bar.
<code>public BoundedRangeModel getModel()</code>	Returns model used by the progress bar.
<code>public void setModel(Bounded RangeModel newModel)</code>	Replaces current model used by progress bar.
<code>protected void fireStateChanged()</code>	Fires events of type ChangeEvent to its registered listeners. Only subclasses of JProgressBar can invoke it.



- ◆ The JProgressBar component listens using the `ChangeListener` interface.
- ◆ A JProgressBar has the `addChangeListener` method to register a listener.
- ◆ The interface `ChangeListener` has a method `stateChanged()`.
- ◆ Every time the progress value of progress bar is updated, it fires an event and the control is delegated to this method.
- ◆ To retrieve the current value of the progress bar, you use the `getValue()` method.
- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to add a listener to the progress bar.

Code Snippet

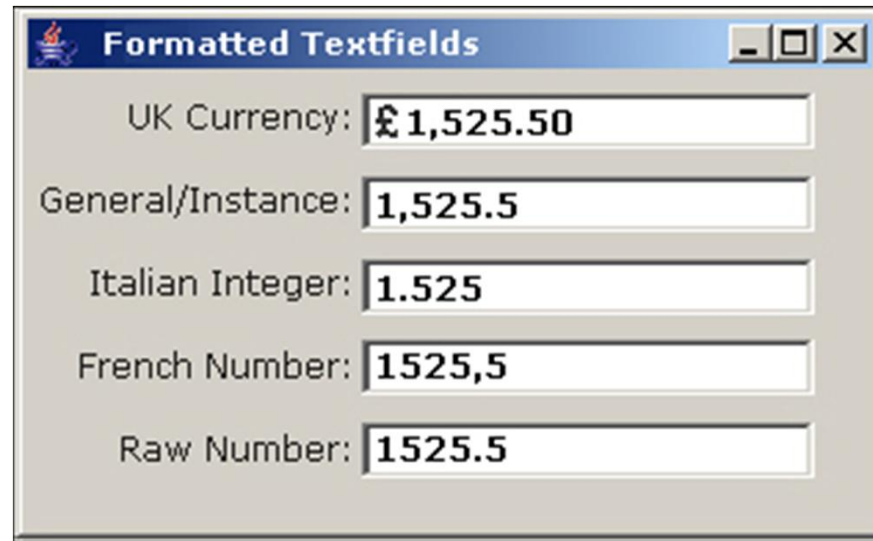
```
pgbLongTask.addChangeListener(new ChangeListener()
{
    public void stateChanged(ChangeEvent ce) {
        // Action Code
        . . .
    }
});
```



- ◆ Advanced text components are used for text manipulations.
- ◆ These components inherit from `JTextComponent` class and provide other services for additional flexibility.
- ◆ Some of the advanced components are as follows:
 - ◆ **JFormattedTextField** - Extends `JTextField`, adding support for formatting arbitrary values, as well as retrieving a particular object once the user has edited the text.
 - ◆ **JEditorPane** - Is a text component to edit various kinds of content. This component uses implementations of the Editor Kit to accomplish its behavior.
 - ◆ **JTextPane** - Is a component that can be marked up with attributes that are represented graphically.



- ◆ The `JFormattedTextField` is similar to a `JTextField` in appearance.
- ◆ It accepts characters based on the formatter used.
- ◆ Different formatters are available such as numeric, date, and currency.
- ◆ In case you use a `JTextField` component in a GUI application, then you are responsible to check the value that is typed in the text field for proper format.
- ◆ `JFormattedTextField` makes it convenient to do the validation of an input field without writing any code to check the value entered in it.
- ◆ Figure displays the `JFormattedTextField`.



Using JFormattedTextField with Numeric Formatter [1-2]



To use a `JFormattedTextField` with a numeric formatter, you will follow these steps:

1

- Declare an object of `NumberFormat` class.

2

- Declare an object of `JFormattedTextField` class.

3

- Use the static method `NumberFormat.getNumberInstance()` to create an instance of `NumberFormat`.

4

- Create an instance of `JFormattedTextField` and pass the instance of `NumberFormat` as an argument to it.

5

- Add the instance of `JFormattedTextField` to the container.

Using JFormattedTextField with Numeric Formatter [2-2]



- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create the `JFormattedTextField` with numeric formatter and add it to the frame.

Code Snippet

```
NumberFormat numberFormat;  
JFormattedTextField txfNumber;  
JFrame frmDetails;  
// Instantiate a number format  
    object numberFormat =  
NumberFormat.getNumberInstance();  
// Creates the formatted text field with numeric  
formatter  
    txfNumber = new JFormattedTextField(numberFormat);  
// Adds the formatted text field to the frame  
    frmDetails.getContentPane().add(txfNumber);
```



- ◆ To use a JFormattedTextField with a date formatter, you will follow these steps:
 - ◆ Declare an object of DateFormat class.
 - ◆ Declare an object of JFormattedTextField class.
 - ◆ Use the static method DateFormat.getDateInstance() to create an instance of DateFormat class.
 - ◆ Create an instance of JFormattedTextField and pass the instance of DateFormat as an argument to it.
 - ◆ Add the instance of JFormattedTextField to the container.
 - ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create the JFormattedTextField with date formatter.

Code Snippet

```
DateFormat dateFormat;  
JFormattedTextField txfDate;  
JFrame frmDetails;  
// Instantiates a dateFormat object  
    dateFormat = DateFormat.getDateInstance();  
// Creates the formatted text field with date formatter  
    txfDate = new JFormattedTextField(dateFormat);  
// Adds the formatted text field to the frame  
    frmDetails.getContentPane().add(txfDate);
```

Using JFormattedTextField with Customized Formatter



- ◆ To create a formatted text field with a customized format, you use the `MaskFormatter` class.
- ◆ Table lists the mask characters.

Mask Character	Description
#	Any valid number.
\	Escape character for escape sequence.
U	Any character, converted to uppercase.
L	Any character, converted to lowercase.
A	Any character or number.
?	Any single character.
*	One or more characters.
H	Any hex character(0-9, a-f, or A-F).

- ◆ **Example:** `formatter = new MaskFormatter("###,###,###");`



- ◆ A `JEditorPane` is a text component which can display and edit text of type plain, HTML, and RTF.
- ◆ The text can be of various styles intermixed throughout the editor pane.
- ◆ Constructors:
 - ◆ `JEditorPane()`
 - ◆ `JEditorPane(String url)` throws `IOException`
 - ◆ `JEditorPane(URL url)` throws `IOException`
 - ◆ `JEditorPane(String type, String text)`
- ◆ An HTML text is displayed in a non-editable `JEditorPane`. If a `JEditorPane` is non-editable then it supports hyperlink events.
- ◆ A `JEditorPane` can be set to be non-editable by invoking the `setEditable()` method and passing boolean value false.
- ◆ To handle the hyperlink events, Swing provides the `javax.swing.event.HyperlinkListener` interface.



- ◆ The methods of JEditorPane are:
 - ◆ **public void setText(String text) :**
 - ◆ This method is used to set the text in the JEditorPane.

Code Snippet

```
String info = "Once upon a time,.....";  
// Sets the text in the editor pane  
epnEditor.setText(info);
```

- ◆ **public void setPage(URL url) throws IOException:**
 - ◆ This method is used to display the contents of the page referenced by the url.

Code Snippet

```
// Creates an URL object with the specified url.  
URL url = new URL("http://java.sun.com/index.html");  
// Displays the contents of the URL in the JEditorPane.  
epnEditor.setPage(url);
```

- ◆ To display the JEditorPane, pass an instance of JEditorPane to the constructor of a JScrollPane, and add the JScrollPane to the container.

Example of JEditorPane [1-4]



- ◆ Code Snippet demonstrates the use of JEditorPane.

Code Snippet

```
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
import javax.swing.*;
import javax.swing.event.*;
import javax.swing.text.html.HTMLFrameHyperlinkEvent;
import javax.swing.text.html.HTMLDocument;

public class ReadURLFileNew extends JFrame {
    private JTextField urlValue;
    private JEditorPane contents;
    public ReadURLFileNew() {
        super( "Web Browser" );

        Container conObj = getContentPane();
        urlValue = new JTextField( "Enter URL here" );
        urlValue.addActionListener(
            new ActionListener() {
```

Example of JEditorPane [2-4]



```
public void actionPerformed((ActionEvent e) {
    getPages( e.getActionCommand() );
}
} );

conObj.add( urlValue, BorderLayout.NORTH );
contents = new JEditorPane();
contents.setEditable( false );
contents.addHyperlinkListener(
    new HyperlinkListener() {
        public void hyperlinkUpdate(HyperlinkEvent e) {
            if (e.getEventType() == HyperlinkEvent.EventType.Activated)
                getPages( e.getURL().toString() );
            if (e instanceof HTMLFrameHyperlinkEvent) {
                HTMLFrameHyperlinkEvent evt =
                    (HTMLFrameHyperlinkEvent)e;
                HTMLDocument doc = (HTMLDocument) contents.getDocument();
                doc.processHTMLFrameHyperlinkEvent(evt);
            } else {
                try {
                    contents.setPage( e.getURL() );
                }
            }
        }
    }
);
```

Example of JEditorPane [3-4]



```
        } catch (Exception ex) {
            ex.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
);
conObj.add( new JScrollPane( contents ),
            BorderLayout.CENTER );
setSize( 400, 300 );
setVisible(true);
}

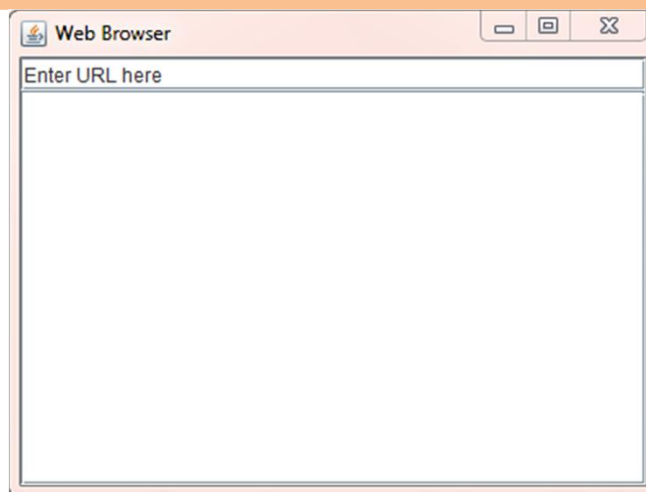
private void getPages( String location ) {
    setCursor( Cursor.getPredefinedCursor(Cursor.WAIT_CURSOR) );
    try {
        contents.setPage( location );
        urlValue.setText( location );
    } catch ( IOException io ) {
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( this, "Error retrieving data from the
        specified URL site", "Check URL", JOptionPane.ERROR_MESSAGE );
    }
}
```

Example of JEditorPane [4-4]



```
        }  
        setCursor( Cursor.getPredefinedCursor(  
Cursor.DEFAULT_CURSOR ) );  
    }  
    public static void main( String args[] ) {  
        ReadURLFileNew urlObj = new ReadURLFileNew();  
        urlObj.addWindowListener(  
            new WindowAdapter() {  
                public void windowClosing( WindowEvent e )  
                {  
                    System.exit( 0 );  
                }  
            }  
        );  
    }  
}
```

◆ Output:



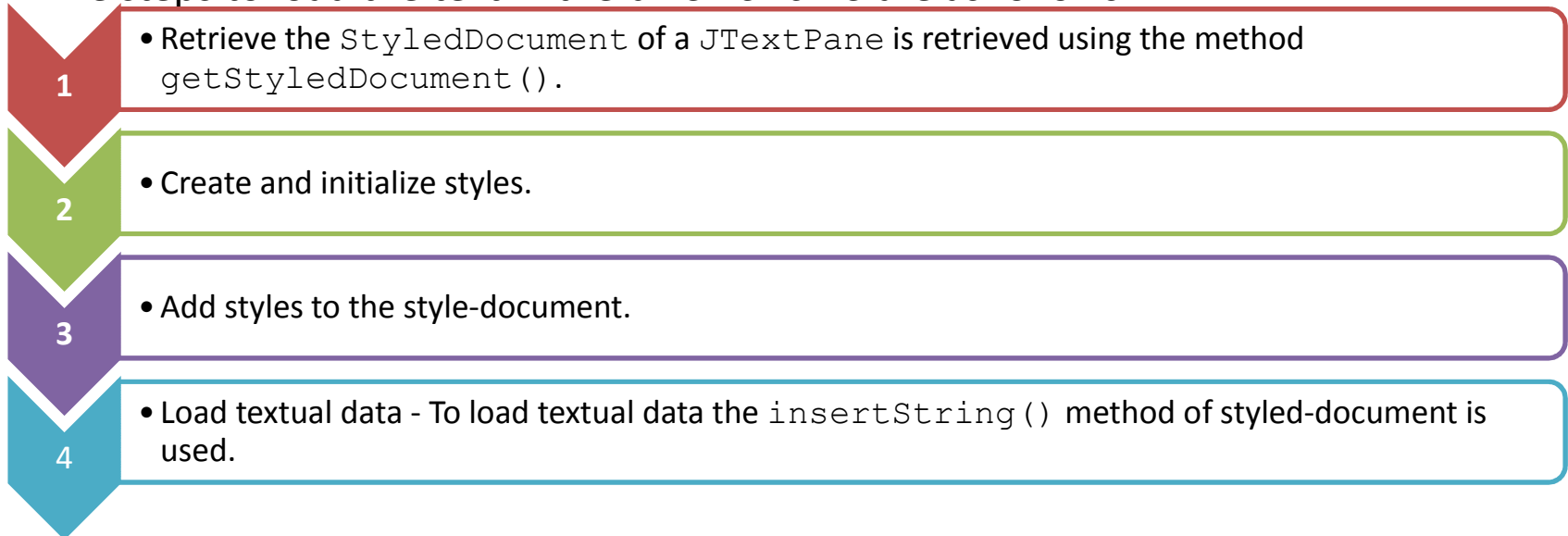


- ◆ A `JTextPane` is a text component which supports styled text.
- ◆ It is similar to a `JTextArea` in appearance.
- ◆ The same font is applied throughout the text of a text area.
- ◆ A `JTextPane` can have plain-text, HTML, RTF (Rich Text Format) and even embedded components such as buttons and icons.

- ◆ **Constructors:**

- ◆ `JTextPane ()`
- ◆ `JTextPane (StyledDocument doc)`

- ◆ The steps to load the text in the `JTextPane` are as follows:





- ◆ To display the JTextPane, pass an instance of JTextPane to the constructor of a JScrollPane.
- ◆ Then add the JScrollPane to the container. To disable editing of a JTextPane, use the setEditable() method. To disable editing set 'false' as an argument.

Code Snippet

```
JFrame frmEditor;  
JTextPane txpPane;  
  
...  
  
// Provide the text pane to the scroll pane to  
facilitate scrolling  
JScrollPane scpScroller = new JScrollPane(txpPane);  
// Adds the JScrollPane to the frame  
frmEditor.getContentPane().add(scpScroller);  
//Disables the editing of the JTextPane  
txpPane.setEditable(false);
```



- ◆ The Swing components, such as labels and buttons can be associated with icons and borders.
- ◆ Icon is a picture or image that can be applied to a component. Image can be of different formats, such as GIF, JPEG, or PNG.
- ◆ Similarly, borders are used to apply fancy edges to the Swing components.
- ◆ **ImageIcon API**
 - ◆ Provides a utility class named `ImageIcon` which allows you to specify an image for the components.
 - ◆ The image to be inserted as icon and then associated with the component.
 - ◆ Thus, to apply an icon from existing images to a Swing component, you need to create an object of type `ImageIcon` class.
- ◆ **Constructors**
 - ◆ `ImageIcon()`
 - ◆ `ImageIcon(Byte[] image data)`
 - ◆ `ImageIcon(Image image)`
 - ◆ `ImageIcon(Image image, String description)`
 - ◆ `ImageIcon(string filename)`
 - ◆ `ImageIcon(URL location)`

Applying Icons and Borders [2-2]



- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to apply an image to the label component using `ImageIcon` methods.

Code Snippet

```
ImageIcon i = createImageIcon("pic.gif", "this is my  
image");  
Label a = new JLabel("Image and Text", i, JLabel.CENTER);  
...  
Label2 = new JLabel(i)
```

- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create an image icon from the specified resource, such as a URL.

Code Snippet

```
java.net.URL imgURL =  
myFile.class.getResource("mypic.gif");  
...  
if (imgURL != null) {  
ImageIcon i = new ImageIcon(imgURL);
```

Loading Images in Applet [1-2]



- ◆ The JApplet supports the swing graphic library.
- ◆ An applet loads image data from the same system that serves up the applet.
- ◆ The JApplet can load images that are in the GIF or JPG format. The images can be loaded using `init()` method.

Syntax:

```
public void init();
```

- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to load and display an image in JApplet.

Code Snippet

```
public class animal extends Applet
{
    private Image lion;
    public void init()
    {
        lion = null;
    }
}
```

Loading Images in Applet [2-2]



```
public void loadImage()
{
    try
    {
        lion = getImage(getDocumentBase(), "image1.gif");
    } catch(Exception e) { . . . }
}

public void paint(Graphics g)
{
    if (img == null)
        loadImage();
    g.drawImage(img, 0, 0, this);
}
}
```



- ◆ The Border API can be used to apply the borders to the components. There are two ways to create the border that are as follows:
 - ◆ Create a new border using the `BorderFactory` class.
 - ◆ Using setter or getter method to apply borders.
- ◆ **Creating a Border Using BorderFactory**
 - ◆ The `BorderFactory` is a class that returns references for the `Border` objects.
 - ◆ The `BorderFactory` class is used to create borders for components.
 - ◆ The `BorderFactory` class has static methods defines in it to create predefined borders.
 - ◆ Some of the methods to create borders using the `BorderFactory` class:
 - ◆ `void setBorder(Border)`
 - ◆ `BordercreateLineBorder(color)`
 - ◆ `createLineBorder(color, int)`
 - ◆ `BordercreateEtchedBorder()`
 - ◆ `BordercreateemptyBorder(int, int, int, int)`
 - ◆ `public static TitledBorder createTitledBorder(String title)`



- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create and set simple borders using the `BorderFactory` class.

Code Snippet

```
// Sets simple borders
    blkln = BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.black);
    retched =
BorderFactory.createEtchedBorder(EtchedBorder.RAISED);
    lowbev = BorderFactory.createLoweredBevelBorder();
    emp = BorderFactory.createEmptyBorder();
    jCompa.setBorder(blkln);
    jCompb.setBorder(retched);
    jcompc.setBorder(lowbev);
    jCompd.setBorder(emp);
```



- ◆ A Swing based application is created with `JFrame` as the top-level container.
- ◆ This container is physically constrained with the maximum size offered by the screen on which it is displayed.
- ◆ Complex and large applications cannot display all its GUI components on a single frame.
- ◆ Several intermediate frames are required to pop up based on different events in the application.
- ◆ These pop-up frames are called Dialog boxes.
- ◆ The parent of a dialog box is typically the `JFrame`.
- ◆ Dialog boxes are of two types:
 - ◆ **Modal:** Modal dialog box block their parent when they pop up. You have to finish the work and close the dialog box to return back to the parent.
 - ◆ **Non-Modal:** Non-modal dialog box do not block their parent. If you click their parent, the dialog box disappears.



- ◆ The Swing component `JOptionPane` is a representation of option panes.
- ◆ A option pane is a type of dialog box that allows the user to enter options, and depending on options selected a program can be executed further.
- ◆ This component can be typically used to display feedback message or confirmation or to input information from users.
- ◆ `JOptionPane` is the subclass of `JComponent` class.
- ◆ The different types of messages supported by `JOptionPane` are:

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- `ERROR_MESSAGE` – Used for error message.

2

- `INFORMATION_MESSAGE` – Used for information message.

3

- `WARNING_MESSAGE` – Used for warning message.

4

- `QUESTION_MESSAGE` – Used for questions.

5

- `PLAIN_MESSAGE` – No icon is used.



◆ InputDialog

- ◆ This dialog is used to present the user with a drop-down having multiple choices to select from or a text field to type a value.
- ◆ The JOptionPane has the static method `showInputDialog()` to show this dialog.

Code Snippet

```
JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, "Your License has  
expired.", "Security warning",  
JOptionPane.WARNING_MESSAGE);
```

◆ ConfirmDialog

- ◆ You use this dialog box to ask the user a confirming question with a 'Yes', 'No', or 'Cancel' button.
- ◆ You use this dialog box to get a confirmation from the user.
- ◆ The JOptionPane has the static method `showConfirmDialog()` to show this dialog.

Code Snippet

```
int n = JOptionPane.showConfirmDialog(null, "Would you like  
to continue?", "Confirmation", JOptionPane.YES_NO_OPTION);
```




◆ MessageDialog:

- ◆ This dialog box is used to alert the user with some message.
- ◆ The `JOptionPane` has the static method `showMessageDialog()` to display this dialog.

Code Snippet

```
JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, "Your License has  
expired.", "Security warning",  
JOptionPane.WARNING_MESSAGE);
```

◆ OptionDialog:

- ◆ This dialog allows you to change the text that appears on the buttons of standard dialogs.
- ◆ The `JOptionPane` has the static method `showOptionDialog()` to show this dialog.

Code Snippet

```
Object[] options = {"Connect", "Disconnect", "Quit"}; i  
nt n = JOptionPane.showOptionDialog(null, "What would you like to do?",  
"Connection Message", JOptionPane.YES_NO_CANCEL_OPTION,  
JOptionPane.QUESTION_MESSAGE, null, options, options[0]);
```



- ◆ A `JDialog` is a top-level container to create custom dialog boxes.
- ◆ The appearance is almost similar to a frame except that it does not have a minimize button.
- ◆ The process of creating, displaying, and closing of a `JDialog` is almost identical to a `JFrame`.
- ◆ **Constructors:**
 - ◆ `JDialog(Frame parent, String title)`
 - ◆ `JDialog(Frame parent, String title, boolean modal)`
- ◆ Components are added to the content-pane of a `JDialog`.
- ◆ By default, a `JDialog` box is governed by a `BorderLayout` manager.
- ◆ To display the dialog box, you invoke the `setVisible()` method.
- ◆ After this method invocation, you should not add any components to the dialog box.
- ◆ To close the dialog box, you can invoke the `setDefaultCloseOperation()` method with the parameter `JDialog.DISPOSE_ON_CLOSE`.



- ◆ Code Snippet shows how to create a search dialog.

Code Snippet

```
public class SearchDialog extends JDialog {
    JButton btnSearch;
    public SearchDialog() {
        btnSearch = new JButton("Search");
        getContentPane.add(btnSearch);
        // Closes the dialog box
        setDefaultCloseOperation(JDialog.DISPOSE_ON_CLOSE);
        // Handle events
        . . .
        . . .
    }
}
```



- ◆ JScrollPane provides a scrollable view of a component.
- ◆ A JSlider is a component, which lets the user to select a numeric value within a bounded range, by sliding a slider on the component.
- ◆ JProgressBar indicates the progress of a time consuming event by displaying its percentage of completion.
- ◆ A JFormattedTextField allows only legal characters to be input in a proper format.
- ◆ A JEditorPane is a text component which can display and edit text of type plain, HTML and RTF. A JTextPane is a text component which supports styled text.
- ◆ The ImageIcon class implements the Icon interface and allows applying images to the components.
- ◆ JOptionPane provides a convenient means to display a standard dialog box for user inputs and alert messages.