



# CS-2012 Introduction to Object Oriented Programming

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**Lecture XI**  
**JavaFX III**

A stylized landscape illustration featuring rolling green hills in the foreground, a small tree with purple and pink foliage on the left, and a background of blue and white wavy bands representing a sky or distant mountains.

# **Property Binding**

# Property Binding

- ☼ ***property binding***: enables a ***target object*** to be bound to a ***source object***
  - target object is called the ***binding object*** or ***binding property***
  - source object is called a ***bindable object*** or ***observable object***
- ☼ A change to the source object will be automatically reflected in the target object.



# ShowCircleCentered.java

## LISTING 14.5 ShowCircleCentered.java

```
1  import javafx.application.Application;
2  import javafx.scene.Scene;
3  import javafx.scene.layout.Pane;
4  import javafx.scene.paint.Color;
5  import javafx.scene.shape.Circle;
6  import javafx.stage.Stage;
7
8  public class ShowCircleCentered extends Application {
9      @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
10     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
11         // Create a pane to hold the circle
12         Pane pane = new Pane();
13
14         // Create a circle and set its properties
15         Circle circle = new Circle();
16         circle.centerXProperty().bind(pane.widthProperty().divide(2));
17         circle.centerYProperty().bind(pane.heightProperty().divide(2));
18         circle.setRadius(50);
19         circle.setStroke(Color.BLACK);
20         circle.setFill(Color.WHITE);
21         pane.getChildren().add(circle); // Add circle to the pane
22
23         // Create a scene and place it in the stage
24         Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 200, 200);
25         primaryStage.setTitle("ShowCircleCentered"); // Set the stage title
26         primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
27         primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
28     }
29 }
```

# ShowCircleCentered.java

- same as the previous example, except binds **circle's centerX** and **centerY** properties to half of **pane's width** and **height**.
- **circle.centerXProperty()** returns **centerX**
- **pane.widthProperty()** returns **width**
- both **centerX** and **width** are binding properties of the **DoubleProperty** type
- all of the number binding property classes contain **add**, **subtract**, **multiply**, and **divide** methods for basic math operations and return a new observable property
- **pane.widthProperty().divide(2)** returns a new observable property that represents half of the pane's width
- since **centerX** is bound to **width.divide(2)**, when pane's width is changed, **centerX** automatically updates itself to match pane's **width / 2**

# Property Binding

- **Circle** class has a **centerX** property for representing the x-coordinate of the circle.
  - can be used as both target and source in property binding (as can many other JavaFX class properties)
- A target "listens" for changes to the source and automatically updates itself once a change is made in the source.

# The **bind()** Method

- ☼ To bind a source to a target use the bind method:  
**target.bind(source);**
- ☼ **bind()** is defined in **javafx.beans.property.Property** interface.
  - a binding property is an instance of Property
- ☼ a source object is an instance of **javafx.beans.value.ObservableValue**
  - an **ObservableValue** is an entity that wraps a value and allows to observe the value for changes.

# Primitive Types and Strings

- ☼ JavaFX defines binding properties for primitive types and strings
- ☼ **DoubleProperty, FloatProperty, LongProperty, IntegerProperty, BooleanProperty, StringProperty**
  - these are all subtypes of **ObservableValue** so they can also be used as source objects for binding



# Getters and Setters for Binding Properties

- By convention, each binding property (i.e. **centerX**) in a JavaFX class has a getter (**getCenterX()**) and a setter (**setCenterX(double)**).
- There is also a getter for the property itself.
  - The naming convention for this method is the property name followed by the word **Property**
  - Example: the property getter method for **centerX** is **centerXProperty()**
- **getCenterX()** is a *value getter method*
  - returns a **double** value
- **setCenterX()** is a *value setter method*
- **centerXProperty()** is a *property getter method*
  - returns an object of the **DoubleProperty** type

# Getters and Setters for Property Binding

```
public class SomeClassName {  
  
    private PropertyType x;  
  
    /** Value getter method */  
    public propertyValueType getX() { ... }  
  
    /** Value setter method */  
    public void setX(propertyValueType value) { ... }  
  
    /** Property getter method */  
    public PropertyType  
        xProperty() { ... }  
}
```

(a) x is a binding property

```
public class Circle {  
  
    private DoubleProperty centerX;  
  
    /** Value getter method */  
    public double getCenterX() { ... }  
  
    /** Value setter method */  
    public void setCenterX(double value) { ... }  
  
    /** Property getter method */  
    public DoubleProperty centerXProperty() { ... }  
}
```

(b) centerX is binding property

**FIGURE 14.7** A binding property has a value getter method, setter method, and property getter method.

# BindingDemo.java

## LISTING 14.6 BindingDemo.java

```
1  import javafx.beans.property.DoubleProperty;
2  import javafx.beans.property.SimpleDoubleProperty;
3
4  public class BindingDemo {
5      public static void main(String[] args) {
6          DoubleProperty d1 = new SimpleDoubleProperty(1);
7          DoubleProperty d2 = new SimpleDoubleProperty(2);
8          d1.bind(d2);
9          System.out.println("d1 is " + d1.getValue()
10                           + " and d2 is " + d2.getValue());
11          d2.setValue(70.2);
12          System.out.println("d1 is " + d1.getValue()
13                           + " and d2 is " + d2.getValue());
14      }
15  }
```

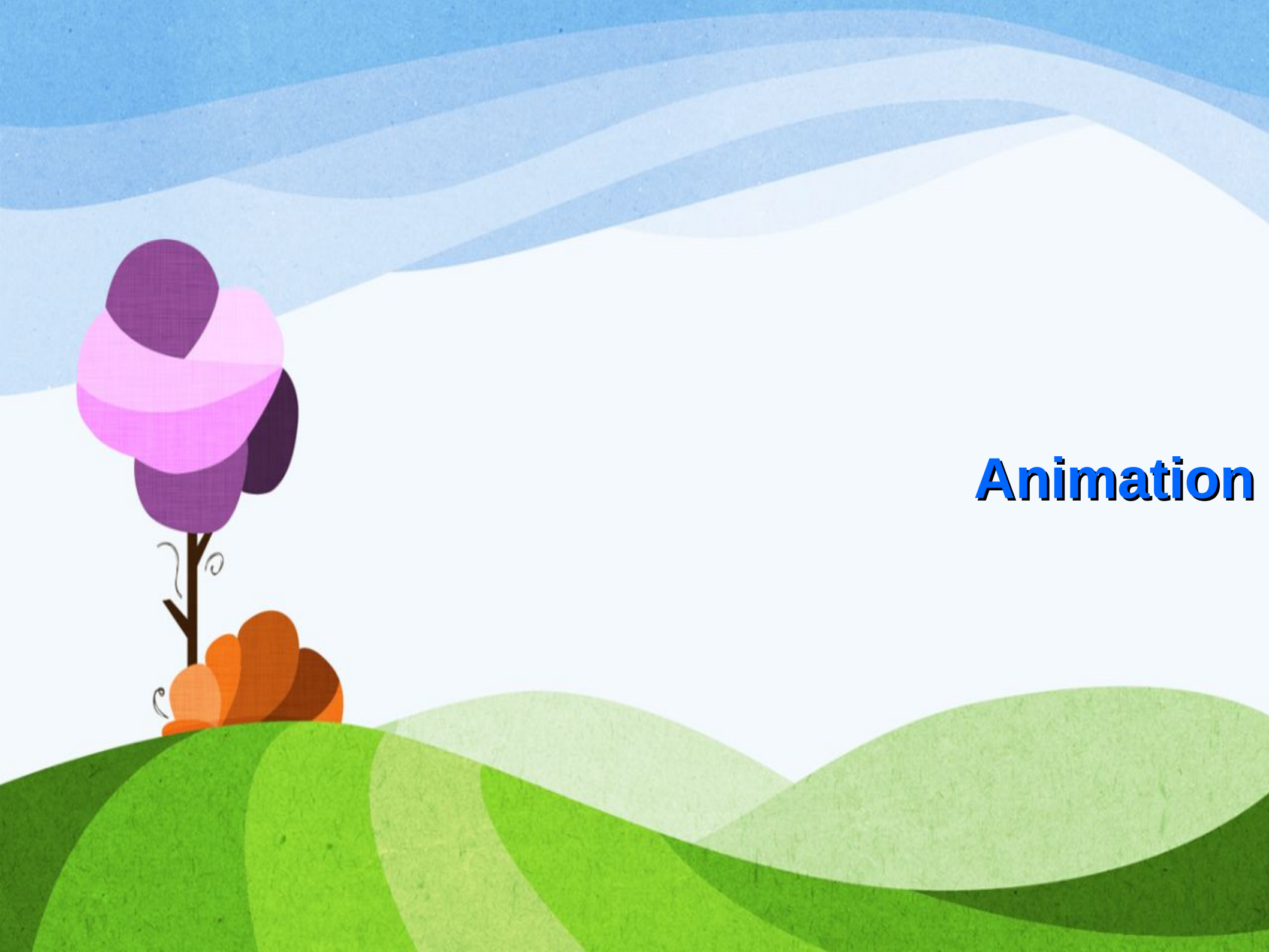
# BindingDemo.java

- ☼ line 6: creates an instance of DoubleProperty
  - uses SimpleDoubleProperty because numeric property classes are abstract.
  - Simple<Type>Property subclasses are concrete subclasses (substitute <Type> with a type i.e. Double, Integer, Boolean, etc.)
- ☼ line 8: binds d1 with d2 so values of d1 and d2 are the same
  - any changes to d2 will also update d1
- ☼ line 11: changes the value of d2



# Unidirectional and Bidirectional Binding

- ⚙ ***unidirectional binding***: binding in only one direction, only changes in the source property will change the target property, changes to target will NOT change the source
  - example: changes to d2 will change d1, changes to d1 will not change d2
- ⚙ ***bidirectional binding***: binding in two directions, changes to one will affect the other and vice versa
  - example: changes to d2 will change d1, changes to d1 will change d2
  - only valid if both properties are both binding properties and observable properties, then you can bind them with the **bindBidirectional** method



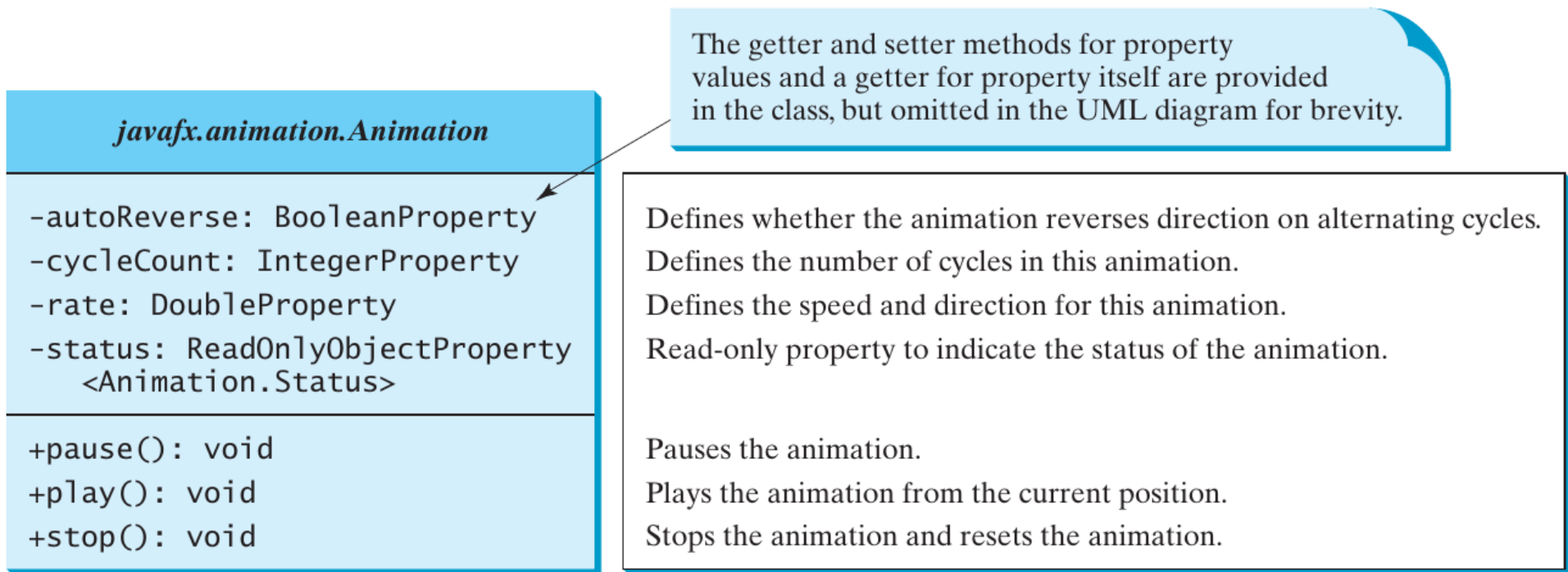
**Animation**

# Animation

- JavaFX has an **Animation** class with functionality for all animations.
- Generally if you want to animate something you should use a subclass of the **Animation** class.
  - **PathTransition**
  - **FadeTransition**
  - **Timeline**

# Animation

☼ See Code: **FlagRisingAnimation.java**



**FIGURE 15.15** The abstract **Animation** class is the root class for JavaFX animations.

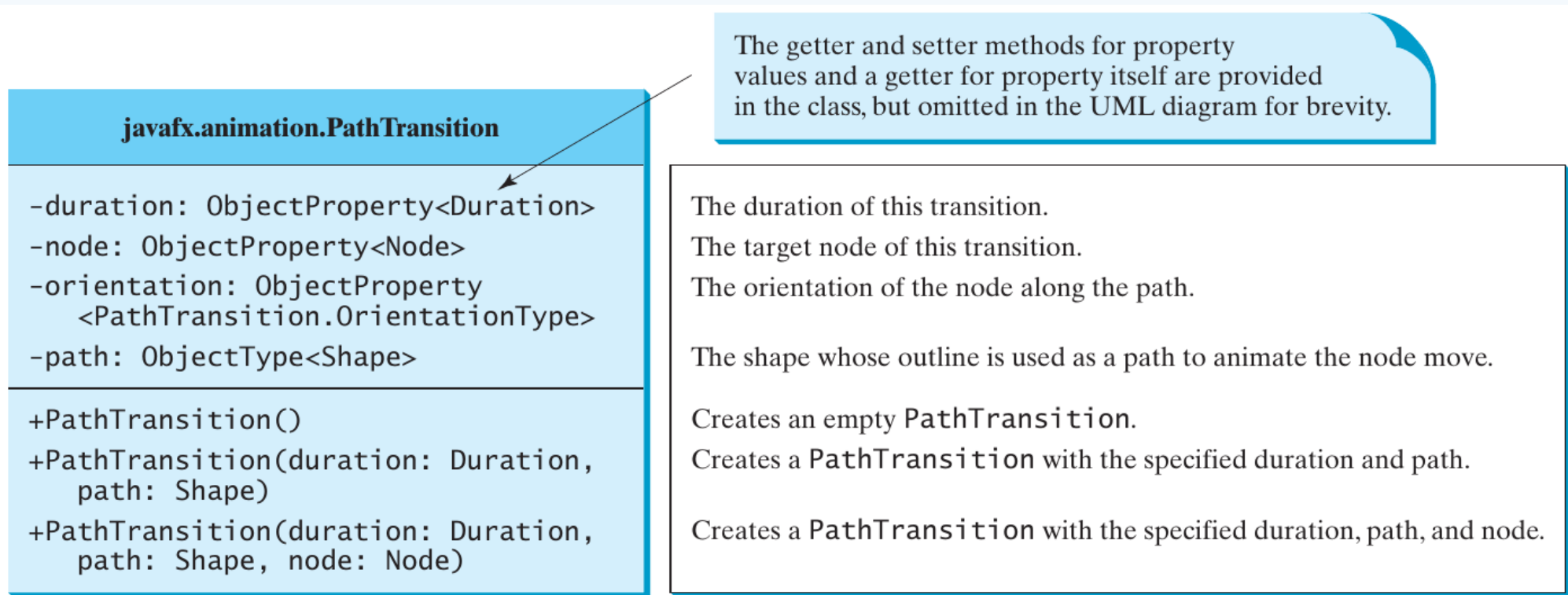


# Animation

- **autoReverse** is a Boolean property that indicates whether an animation will reverse its direction on the next cycle.
- **cycleCount** indicates the number of the cycles for the animation.
  - use the constant **Timeline.INDEFINITE** to indicate an indefinite number of cycles.
- **rate** defines the speed and direction of the animation.
  - negative and positive rates go in opposite directions
- **status** is a read-only property that indicates
  - **Animation.Status.PAUSED**
  - **Animation.Status.RUNNING**,
  - **Animation.Status.STOPPED**) .
- The methods **pause()**, **play()**, and **stop()** do what you think they do.

# PathTransition

- animates the movement of a node along a path from one end of the path to the other over a given time.



**FIGURE 15.16** The **PathTransition** class defines an animation for a node along a path.

# PathTransition

- **Duration** is an immutable class to define a duration of time. Has the following constants:
  - **INDEFINITE**            an indefinite duration
  - **ONE**                    1 million seconds
  - **UNKNOWN**            unknown duration
  - **ZERO**                    0 duration
- **add()**, **subtract()**, **multiply()**, and **divide()** methods to perform arithmetic..
- **toHours()**, **toMinutes()**, **toSeconds()**, and **toMillis()** return the number of hours, minutes, seconds, and milliseconds in this duration.

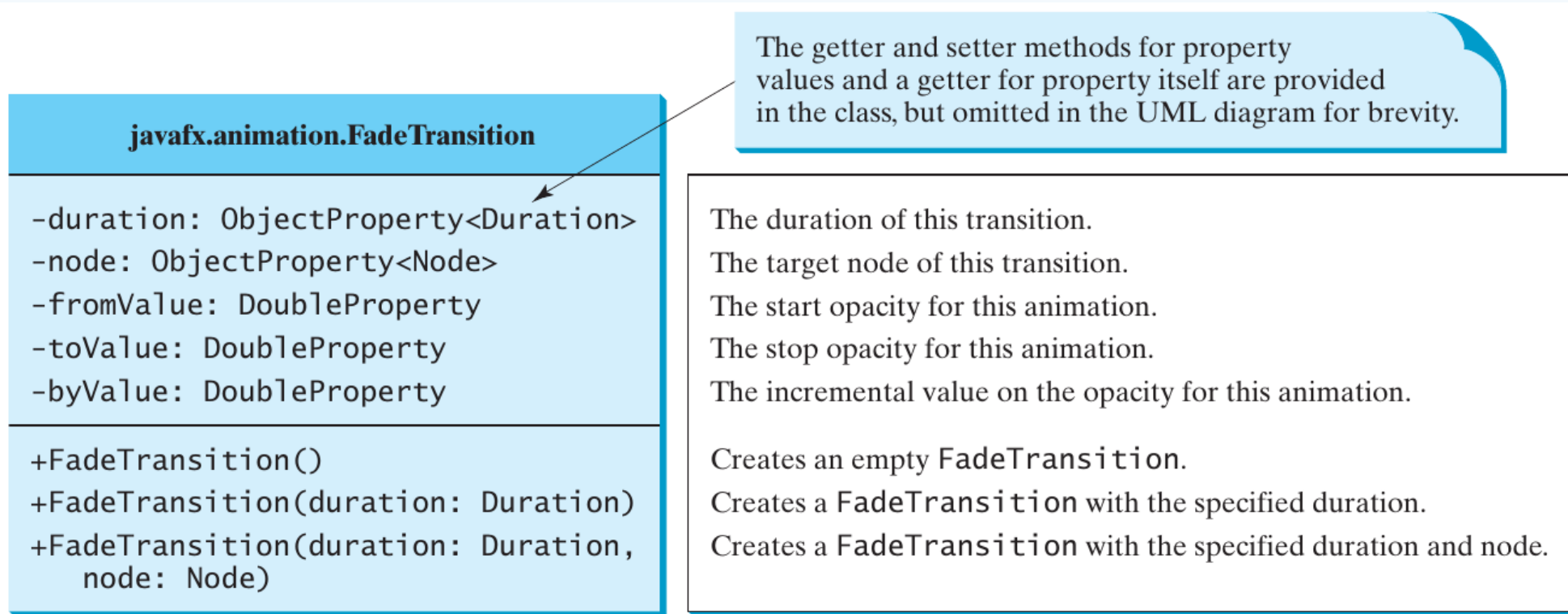
# PathTransition

- ☼ **PathTransition** defines two constants:
  - **NONE**
  - **ORTHOGONAL\_TO\_TANGENT** specifies that the node is kept perpendicular to the path's tangent along the geometric path.
- ☼ See Code:
  - **PathTransitionDemo.java**
  - **FlagRisingAnimation.java**



# FadeTransition

- Animates the change of the opacity of a node over a given time.



**FIGURE 15.18** The `FadeTransition` class defines an animation for the change of opacity in a node.

- See Code: `FadeTransitionDemo.java`

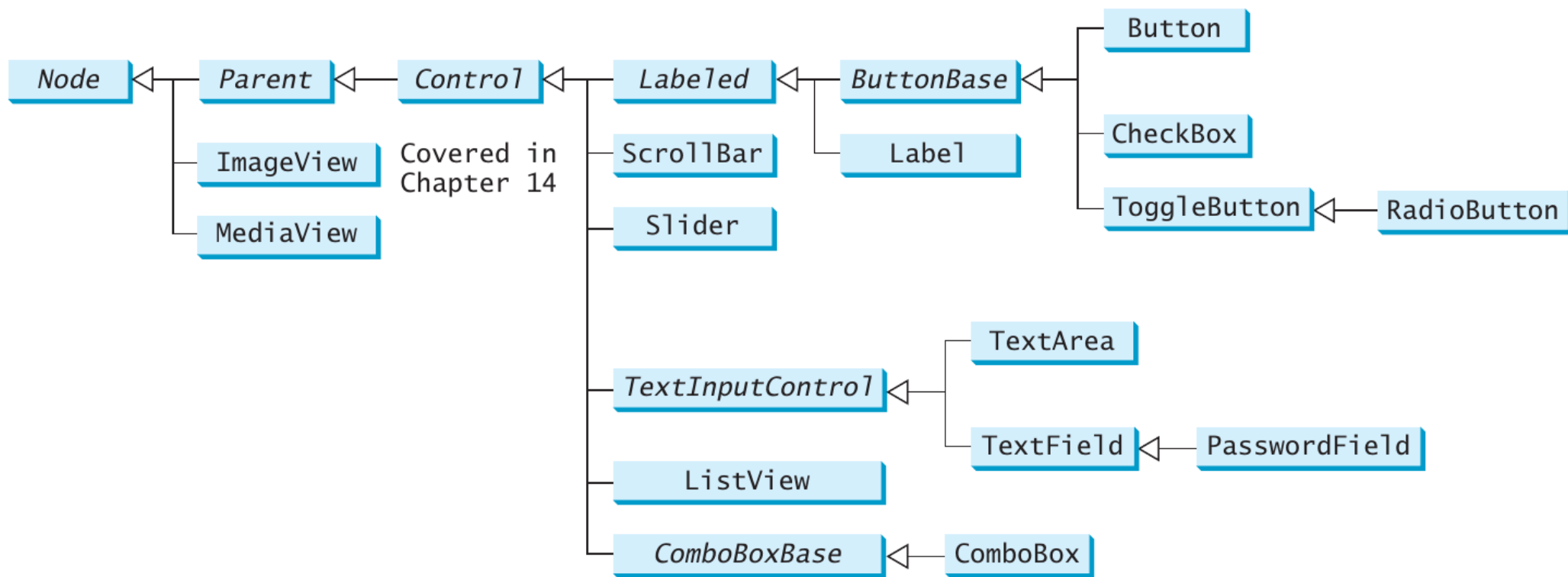
# TimeLine

- Used to program any animation using one or more **KeyFrames**.
- Each **KeyFrame** is executed sequentially at a given interval of time.
- The constructor for a **KeyFrame** takes an **EventHandler** called **onFinished**
  - this is called when the duration for the key frame has elapsed.
- See Code:
  - `TimelineDemo.java`
  - `ClockAnimation.java`
  - `BouncingBallControl.java`

# JavaFX UI Controls



# Common JavaFX UI Controls

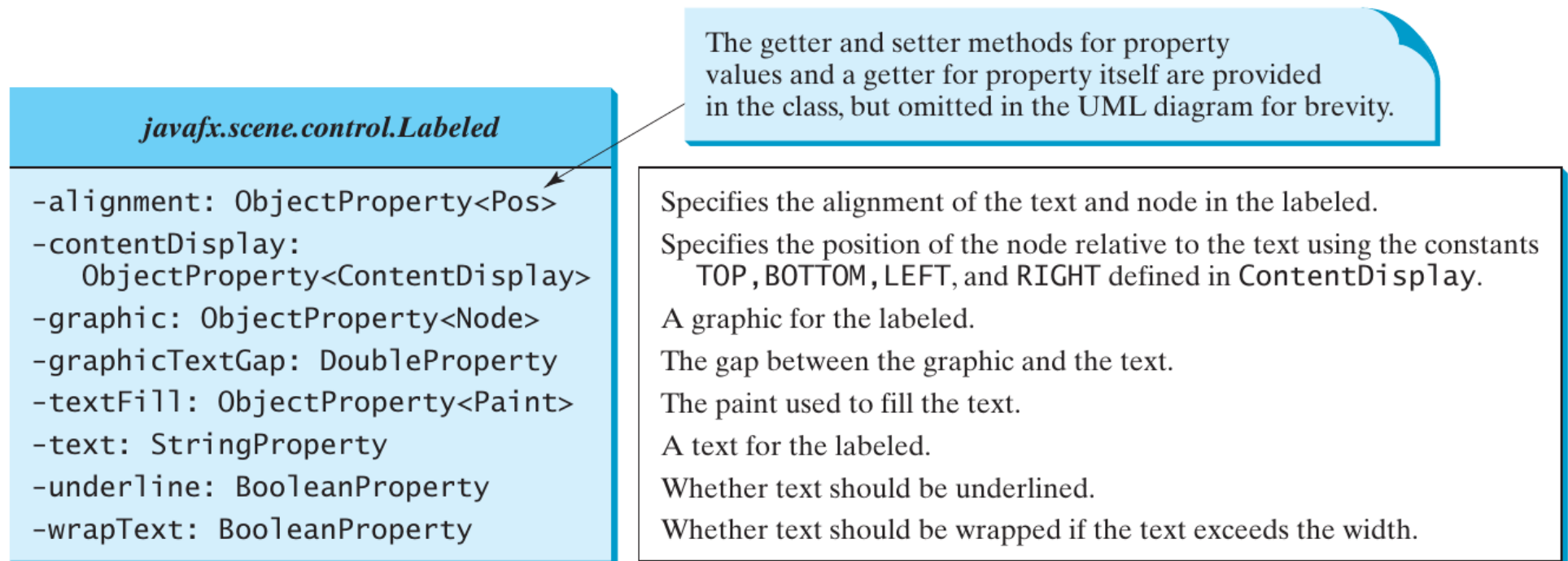


**FIGURE 16.1** These UI controls are frequently used to create user interfaces.



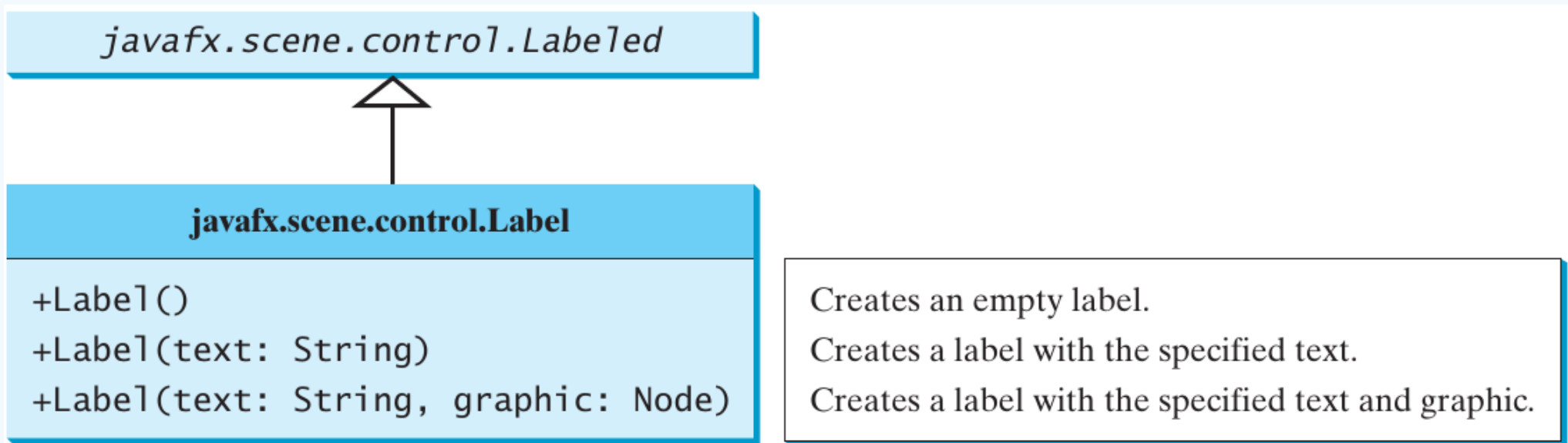
# Labeled and Label

- a **label** is used to display short text, a node, or both
- usually used to label a textfield.
- The **Labeled** class defines many common properties.



**FIGURE 16.2** **Labeled** defines common properties for **Label**, **Button**, **CheckBox**, and **RadioButton**.

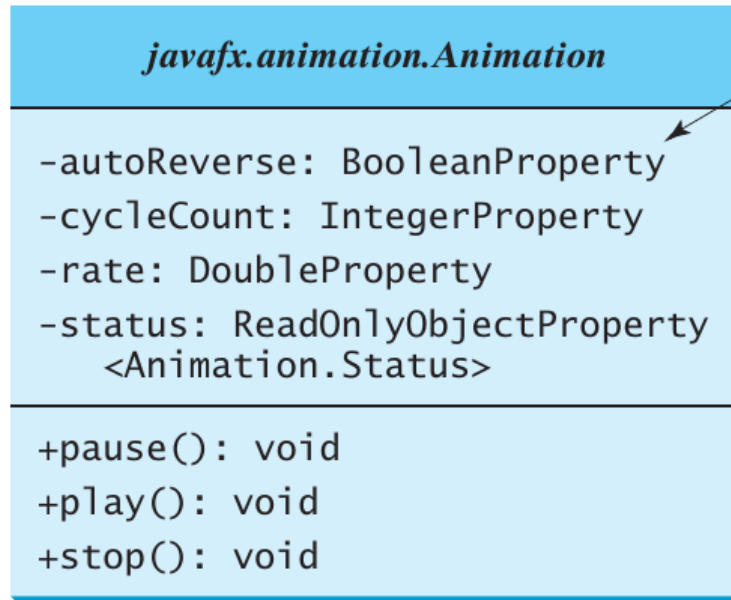
# Labeled and Label



**FIGURE 16.3** **Label** is created to display a text or a node, or both.

☼ See Code: **LabelWithGraphic.java**

# Button



The getter and setter methods for property values and a getter for property itself are provided in the class, but omitted in the UML diagram for brevity.

Defines whether the animation reverses direction on alternating cycles.  
Defines the number of cycles in this animation.  
Defines the speed and direction for this animation.  
Read-only property to indicate the status of the animation.

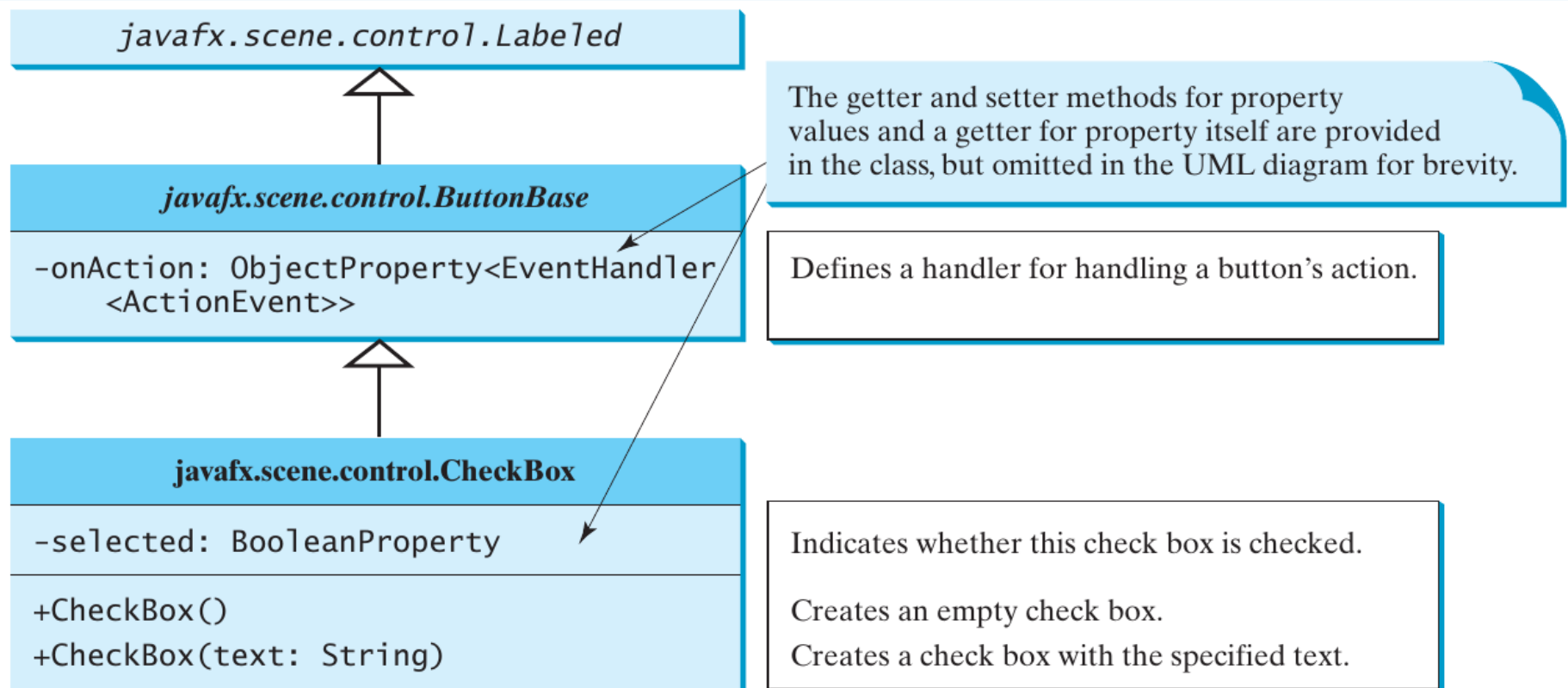
Pauses the animation.  
Plays the animation from the current position.  
Stops the animation and resets the animation.

**FIGURE 15.15** The abstract `Animation` class is the root class for JavaFX animations.

☼ See Code: `ButtonDemo.java`

# CheckBox

- inherits from **ButtonBase** and **Labeled**
- when a check box is clicked (checked or unchecked) it fires an **ActionEvent**.
- use **isSelected()** to see if the checkbox is selected.
- See Code: **CheckBoxDemo.java**



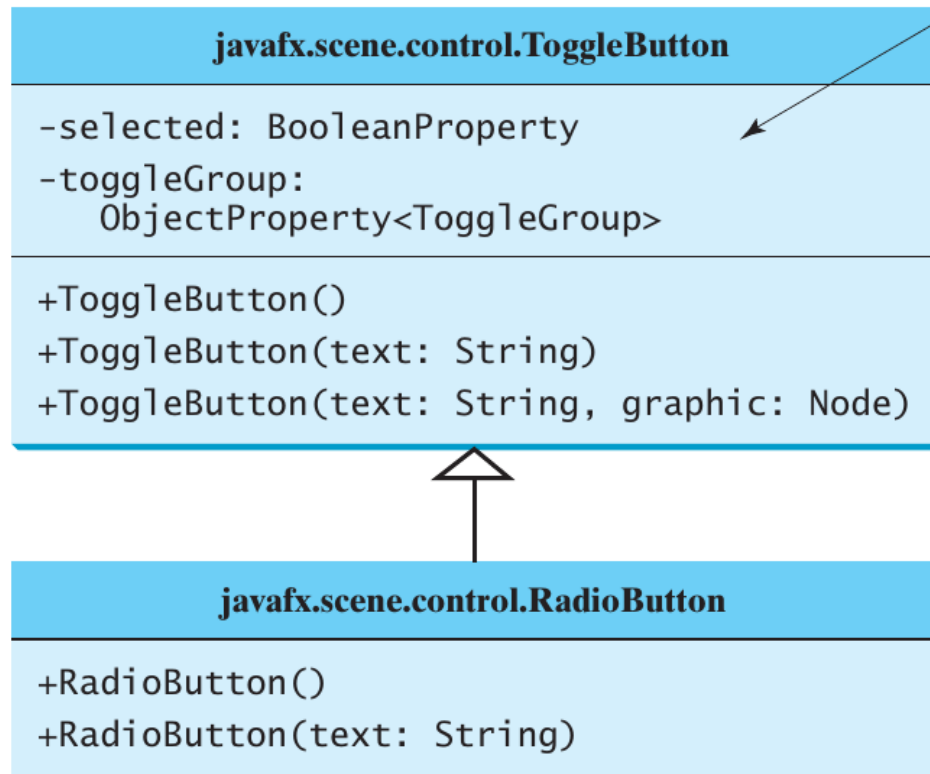
**FIGURE 16.7** **CheckBox** contains the properties inherited from **ButtonBase** and **Labeled**.



# RadioButton

## ☼ Subclass of ToggleButton

- RadioButton is displayed as a circle
- ToggleButton is displayed similar to a button.



The getter and setter methods for property values and a getter for property itself are provided in the class, but omitted in the UML diagram for brevity.

Indicates whether the button is selected.  
Specifies the button group to which the button belongs.

Creates an empty toggle button.  
Creates a toggle button with the specified text.  
Creates a toggle button with the specified text and graphic.

Creates an empty radio button.  
Creates a radio button with the specified text.

**FIGURE 16.9** `ToggleButton` and `RadioButton` are specialized buttons for making selections.

# RadioButton

```
RadioButton rbUS = new RadioButton("US");  
rbUS.setGraphic(new ImageView("image/usIcon.gif"));  
rbUS.setTextFill(Color.GREEN);  
rbUS.setContentDisplay(ContentDisplay.LEFT);  
rbUS.setStyle("-fx-border-color: black");  
rbUS.setSelected(true);  
rbUS.setPadding(new Insets(5, 5, 5,));
```

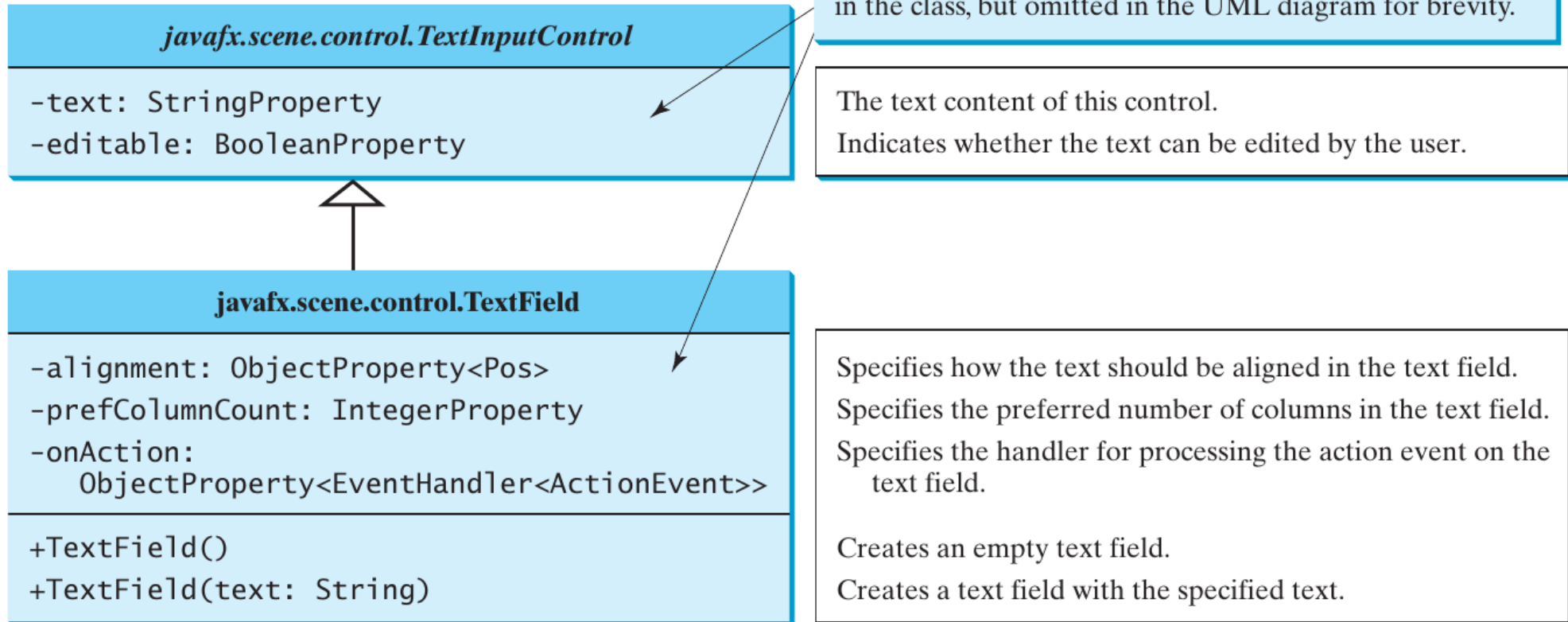


To group radio buttons, you need to create an instance of **ToggleGroup** and set a radio button's **toggleGroup** property to join the group, as follows:

```
ToggleGroup group = new ToggleGroup();  
rbRed.setToggleGroup(group);  
rbGreen.setToggleGroup(group);  
rbBlue.setToggleGroup(group);
```

☼ See Code: **RadioButtonDemo.java**

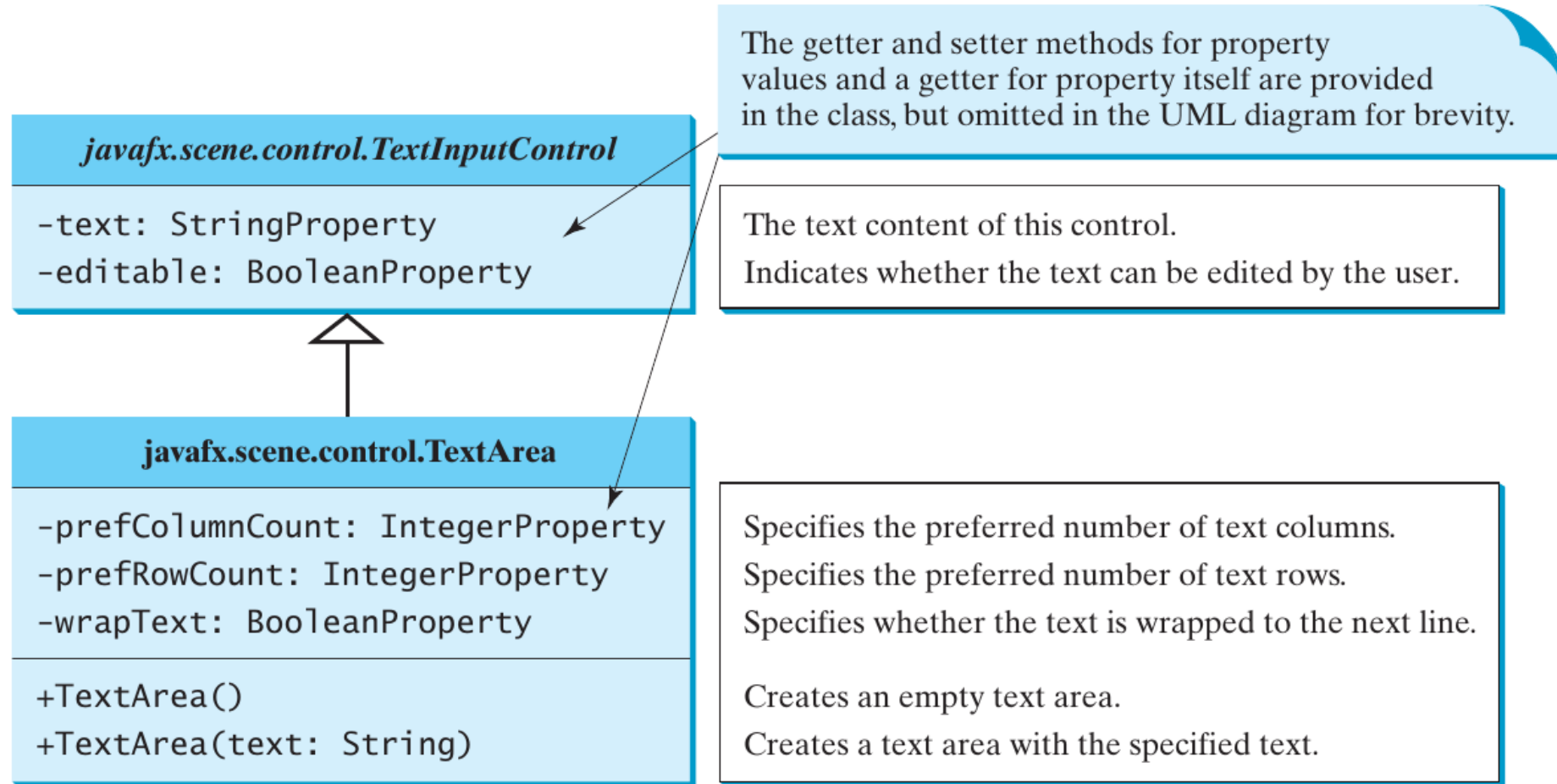
# TextField



**FIGURE 16.11** **TextField** enables the user to enter or display a string.

☼ See **TextFieldDemo.java**

# TextArea



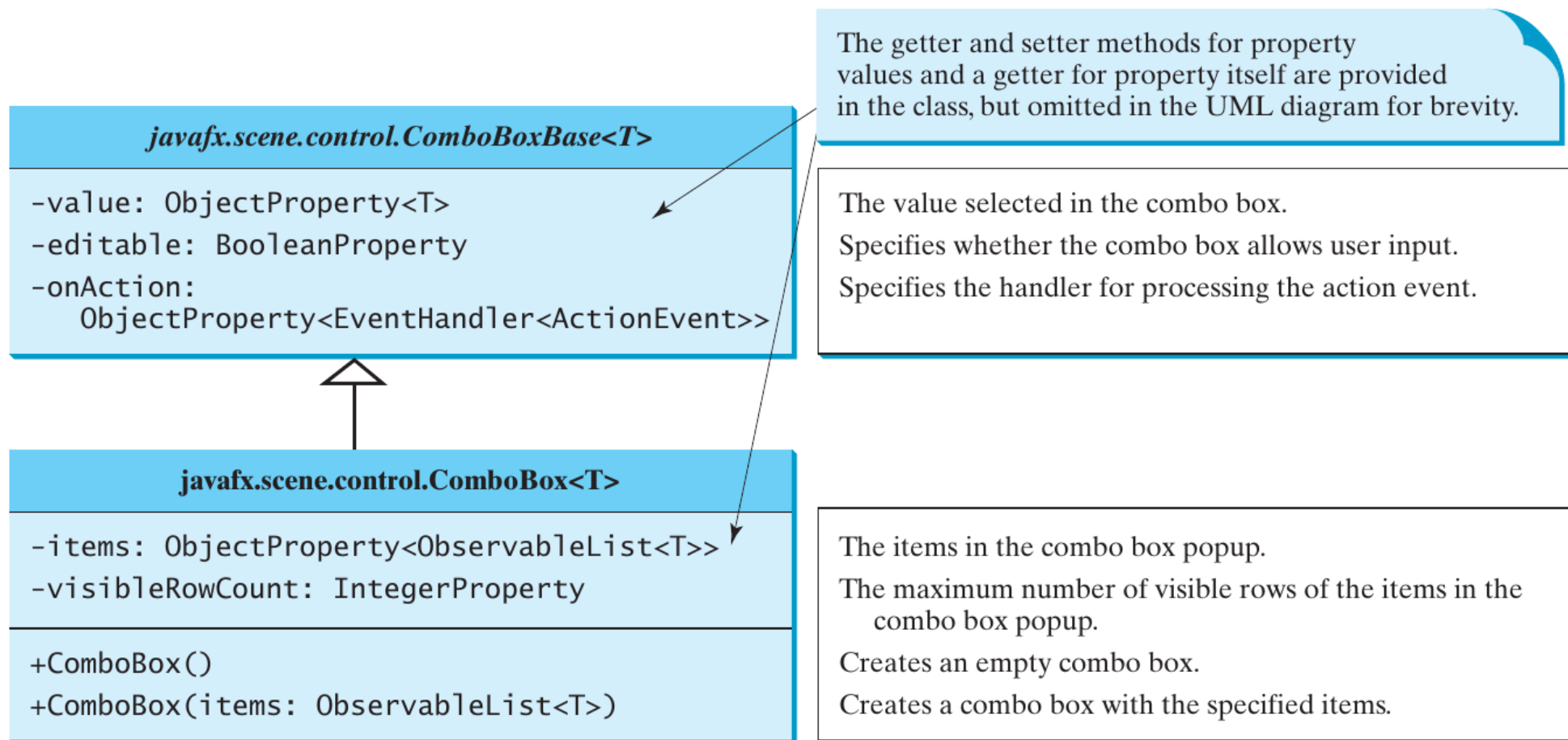
**FIGURE 16.13** **TextArea** enables the user to enter or display multiple lines of characters.

☼ See Code: **TextAreaDemo.java**



# ComboBox

- Presents a drop-down list of items the user can choose from.
- Can fire an **ActionEvent** whenever an item is selected.
- See Code: **ComboBoxDemo.java**



**FIGURE 16.16** **ComboBox** enables the user to select an item from a list of items.

# ListView

- ☀ Same functionality as a ComboBox, but allows the user to choose one or more values.
- ☀ See `ListViewDemo.java`

## `javafx.scene.control.ListView<T>`

`-items: ObjectProperty<ObservableList<T>>`  
`-orientation: BooleanProperty`  
`-selectionModel:`  
`ObjectProperty<MultipleSelectionModel<T>>`

---

`+ListView()`  
`+ListView(items: ObservableList<T>)`

The getter and setter methods for property values and a getter for property itself are provided in the class, but omitted in the UML diagram for brevity.

The items in the list view.

Indicates whether the items are displayed horizontally or vertically in the list view.

Specifies how items are selected. The `SelectionModel` is also used to obtain the selected items.

Creates an empty list view.

Creates a list view with the specified items.

**FIGURE 16.18** `ListView` enables the user to select one or multiple items from a list of items.

# ScrollBar

☼ See Code: `ScrollBarDemo.java`

## `javafx.scene.control.ScrollBar`

`-blockIncrement: DoubleProperty`  
`-max: DoubleProperty`  
`-min: DoubleProperty`  
`-unitIncrement: DoubleProperty`  
  
`-value: DoubleProperty`  
`-visibleAmount: DoubleProperty`  
`-orientation: ObjectProperty<Orientation>`  
  
`+ScrollBar()`  
`+increment()`  
`+decrement()`

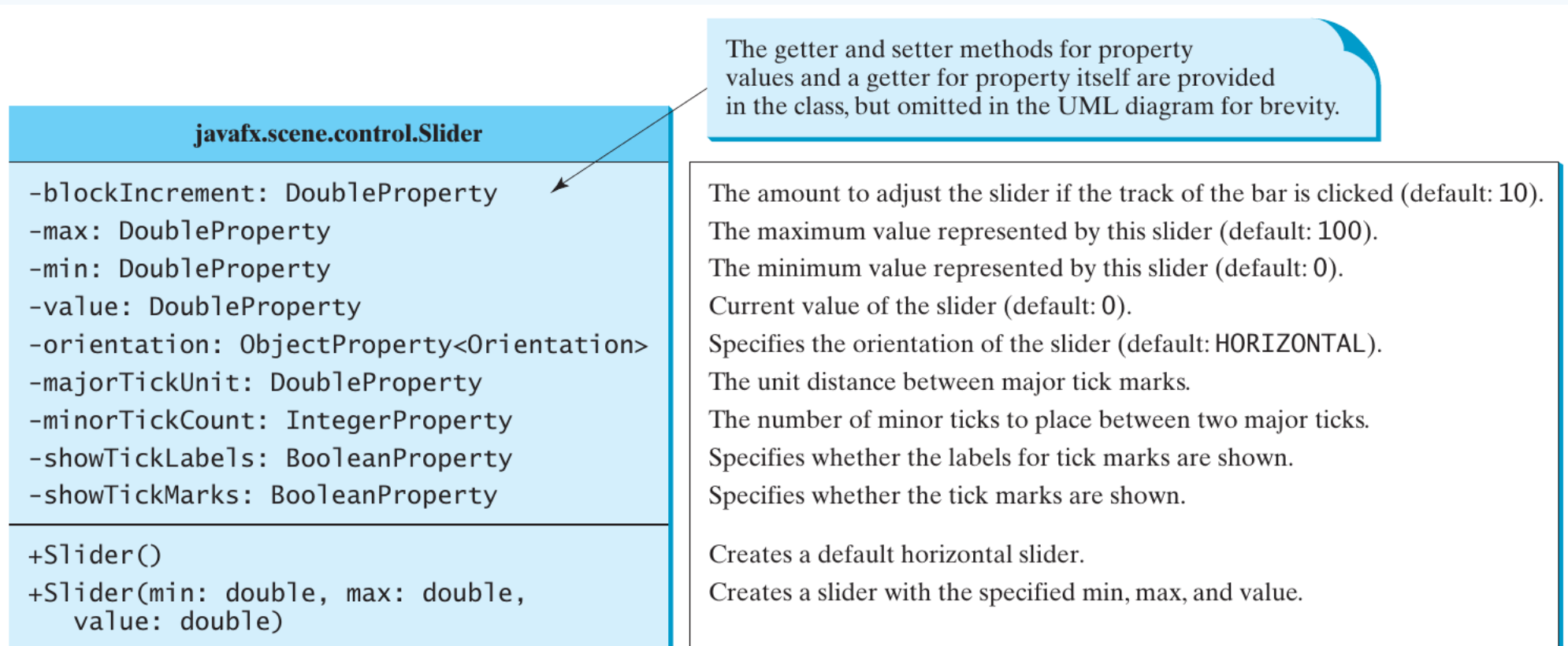
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The amount to adjust the scroll bar if the track of the bar is clicked (default: 10).  
The maximum value represented by this scroll bar (default: 100).  
The minimum value represented by this scroll bar (default: 0).  
The amount to adjust the scroll bar when the `increment()` and `decrement()` methods are called (default: 1).  
  
Current value of the scroll bar (default: 0).  
The width of the scroll bar (default: 15).  
Specifies the orientation of the scroll bar (default: `HORIZONTAL`).  
  
Creates a default horizontal scroll bar.  
Increments the value of the scroll bar by `unitIncrement`.  
Decrements the value of the scroll bar by `unitIncrement`.

**FIGURE 16.22** `ScrollBar` enables the user to select from a range of values.

# Slider

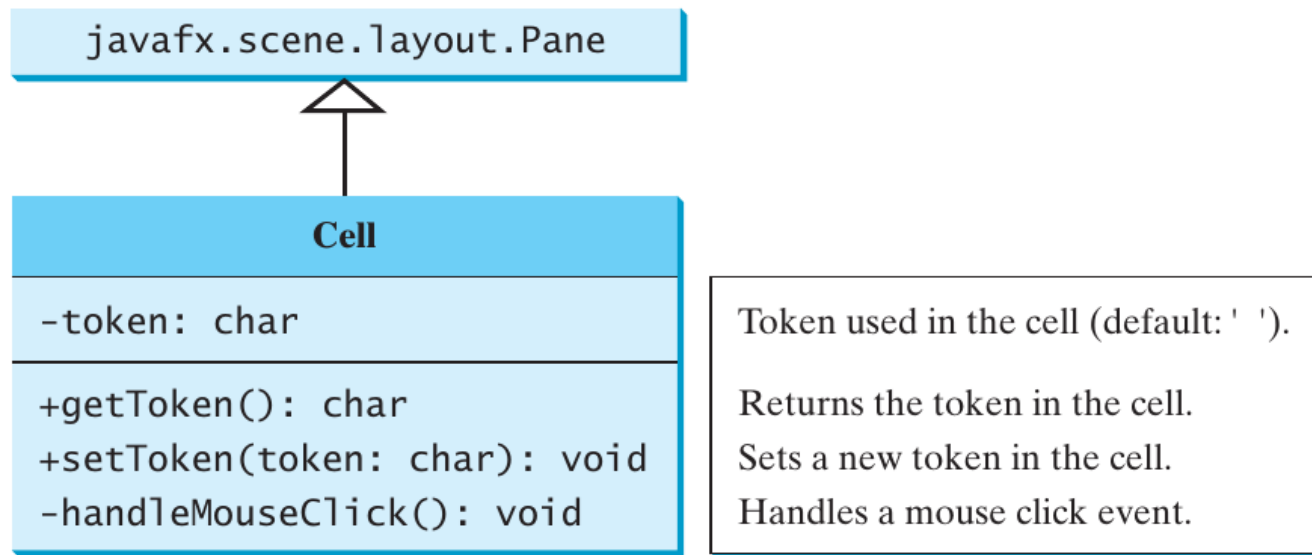
- Similar to a **ScrollBar** but has more properties and can appear in many forms.
- See Code:
  - **SliderDemo.java**
  - **BounceBallSlider.java**



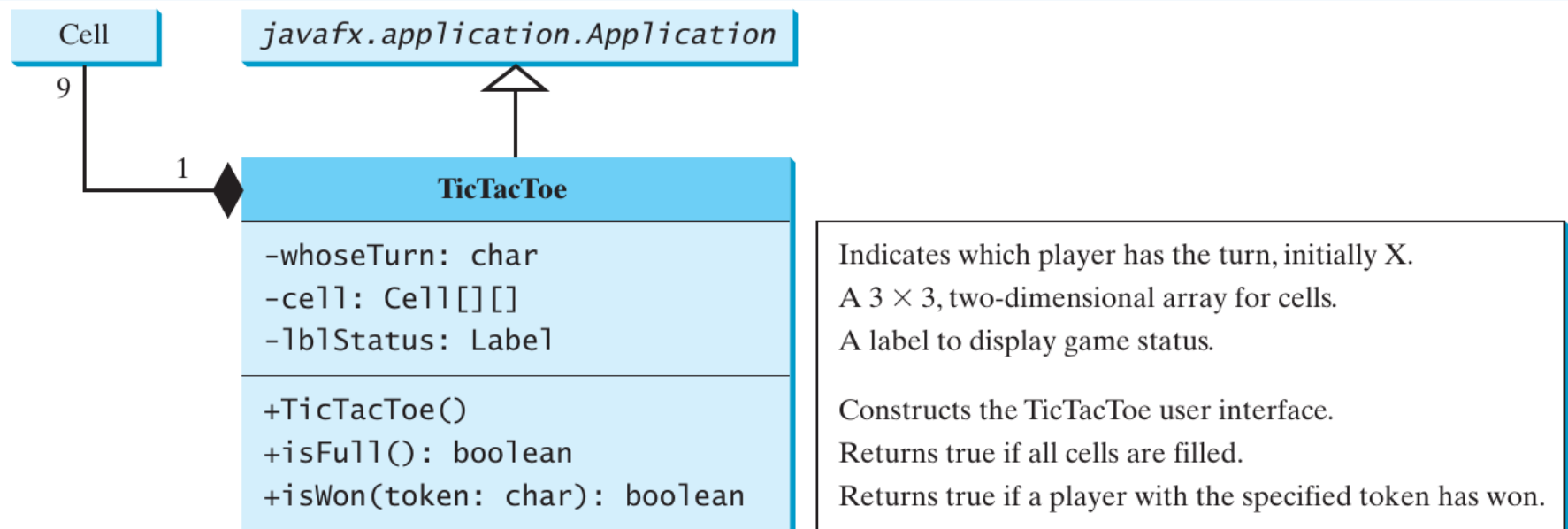
**FIGURE 16.25** **Slider** enables the user to select from a range of values.



# Tic-Tac-Toe Game



**FIGURE 16.28** The **Cell** class displays the token in a cell.



**FIGURE 16.29** The **TicTacToe** class contains nine cells.