

MSc/ICY Software Workshop Graphics

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In the following we will introduce **JavaFX** for the graphical display (JavaFX replaces Swing the previous graphic package). In order to display objects graphically we generate a subclass of **Application**, `public class DrawLine extends Application`.

(We also have to import classes, here by import `javafx.application.Application`;

The class will contain the window, called **stage**, which contains all the objects displayed. It is an argument of the **start** method.

The stage contains a **scene** and a scene a **scene graph** of type **Group**.

We can set the size and the title of the scene by

```
Group root = new Group();
```

```
Scene scene = new Scene(root, 600, 300);
```

A Minimal Example

```
public class Minimal extends Application{  
    //A red empty window of 600x300 pixels with title.  
    @Override  
    public void start(Stage stage) throws Exception {  
        Group root = new Group();  
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 600, 300);  
        stage.setTitle("Minimal");  
        stage.setScene(scene);  
        scene.setFill(Color.RED);  
        stage.show();  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        launch(args);  
    }  
}
```

Adding a Line

A straight line with the two end points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is created with the constructor `Line(x1,y1, x2,y2)` and can be added to the group.

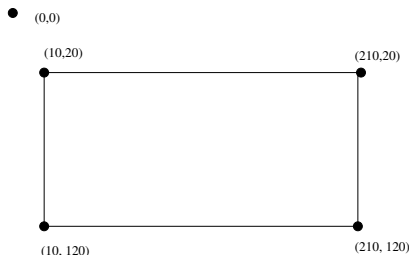
```
@Override
```

```
public void start(Stage stage) throws Exception {  
    // Creating a line object with end points (100,150)  
    // and (500,180).  
    Line line = new Line(100,150, 500,180);  
    //Create a Group (scene graph) with the line as member  
    Group root = new Group(line);  
    // The scene consists of just one group.  
    Scene scene = new Scene(root, 600, 300);  
    stage.setTitle("Line");  
    stage.setScene(scene);  
    stage.show();  
}
```

Adding a Rectangle

- Create a Rectangle object `Rectangle rectangle = new Rectangle(x, y, width, height)`
- `rectangle.setFill(Color.BLUE);`
(Colour is BLACK if not otherwise specified.)

Note that the `x` and `y` give the coordinate of the left upper point of the rectangle. E.g., `Rectangle(10, 20, 200, 100)`



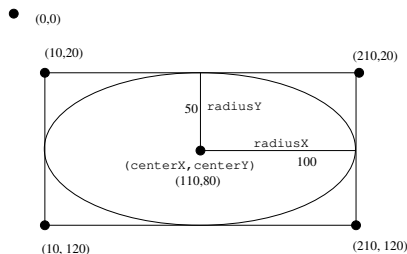
Adding a Circle and an Ellipse

- Create a Circle and Ellipse object:

```
Circle circle = new Circle(centerX,centerY,radius)
Ellipse oval =
    new Ellipse(centerX,centerY,radiusX,radiusY);
```

`centerX` and `centerY` give the coordinates of centres of the circle and the ellipse.

E.g., `Ellipse(110, 80, 100, 50)`



Adding a Polyline and a Polygon

- Create a Polyline object:

```
Polyline polyline =  
    new Polyline(210,10, 10,210, 410,210);
```

Likewise

- Create a Polygon object:

```
Polygon polygon =  
    new Polygon(210,10, 10,210, 410,210);
```

In a Polygon there is a line from last point to the first.

```
Polygon polygon = new Polygon(210,10, 10,210, 410,210);  
// do not fill polygon by:  
polygon.setFill(null);  
// make borderlines visible  
polygon.setStroke(Color.BLACK);  
// Create a Group (scene graph) with the polygon  
Group root = new Group(polygon);
```

Adding Text

```
Text text = new Text(100.0,150.0, "Hello World");

//Changing the font to "verdana" at a size of 70 pt
text.setFont(Font.font("verdana", 70));

/* FontWeight accepts nine values: BLACK,BOLD,EXTRA_BOLD,
 * EXTRA_LIGHT,MEDIUM, NORMAL, SEMI_BOLD, and THIN.
 * FontPosture two values: REGULAR and ITALIC.
 */
text.setFont(Font.font("verdana", FontWeight.BOLD,
                      FontPosture.ITALIC, 100));
//The text gets a horizontal line in the middle through it
text.setStrikethrough(true);

//The text is underlined.
text.setUnderline(true);
```


Using Colour

Some colours are predefined by constants such as `Color.BLACK`, `Color.RED` and so on. They can also be defined by `Color.rgb(r,g,b)` where `r,g,b` are values between 0 and 255. `r=red`, `g=green`, and `b=blue`. 0,0,0 stands for black, 255,0,0 for red, 0,255,0 for green, and 0,0,255 blue with other values in between.

`BLACK: rgb(0,0,0)`

`RED: rgb(255,0,0)`

`GREEN: rgb(0,255,0)`

`BLUE: rgb(0,0,255)`

`ORANGE: rgb(255,200,0)`

`PINK: rgb(255,175,175)`

`CYAN: rgb(0,255,255)`

`MAGENTA: rgb(255,0,255)`

`YELLOW: rgb(255,255,0)`

`WHITE: rgb(255,255,255)`

`LIGHT_GRAY: rgb(192,192,192)`

`GRAY: rgb(128,128,128)`

`DARK_GRAY: rgb(64,64,64)`

`SOME_COLOUR: rgb(164,255,64)`

Adding an Image

Create an `Image` and add it as an `ImageView` to a `Group`.

```
private static Image image;
public void start(Stage stage) throws Exception {
    //Setting the image view
    ImageView imageView = new ImageView(image);
    imageView.setX(150);
    imageView.setY(100);
    Group root = new Group(imageView);
    ...
}
public static void main(String[] args) {
    //Initializing the image
    image = new Image("images/firstCar.jpg");
    //image = new Image("http://www.cs.bham.ac.uk/...");
    launch(args);
}
```

Animation

We show an example [Animation](#) with two regular polygons, one rotating, one shrinking and expanding.

```
public void start(Stage stage) throws Exception {  
    RotateTransition rotateTr = new RotateTransition();  
    rotateTr.setDuration(Duration.millis(10000));  
    rotateTr.setByAngle(360);  
    rotateTr.setCycleCount(5);  
    rotateTr.setAutoReverse(false);  
    rotateTr.setNode(polygons[0]);  
    rotateTr.play();  
  
    ScaleTransition scaleTr = new ScaleTransition();  
    scaleTr.setDuration(Duration.millis(1000));  
    scaleTr.setNode(polygons[1]);  
    scaleTr.setByY(-0.5);  
    scaleTr.setByX(-0.5);  
    scaleTr.setCycleCount(50);  
    scaleTr.setAutoReverse(true);  
    scaleTr.play();  
    ...  
}
```

There is a lot of information available online, e.g., by Oracle:

https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/get_started/hello_world.htm

There are also online tutorials:

https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/get_started/jfxpub-get_started.htm

<https://www.tutorialspoint.com/javafx>

The latter was used heavily in the preparation of the slides and the examples to this lecture.