

# Chapter 5

## JavaFX UI Controls



# Motivations

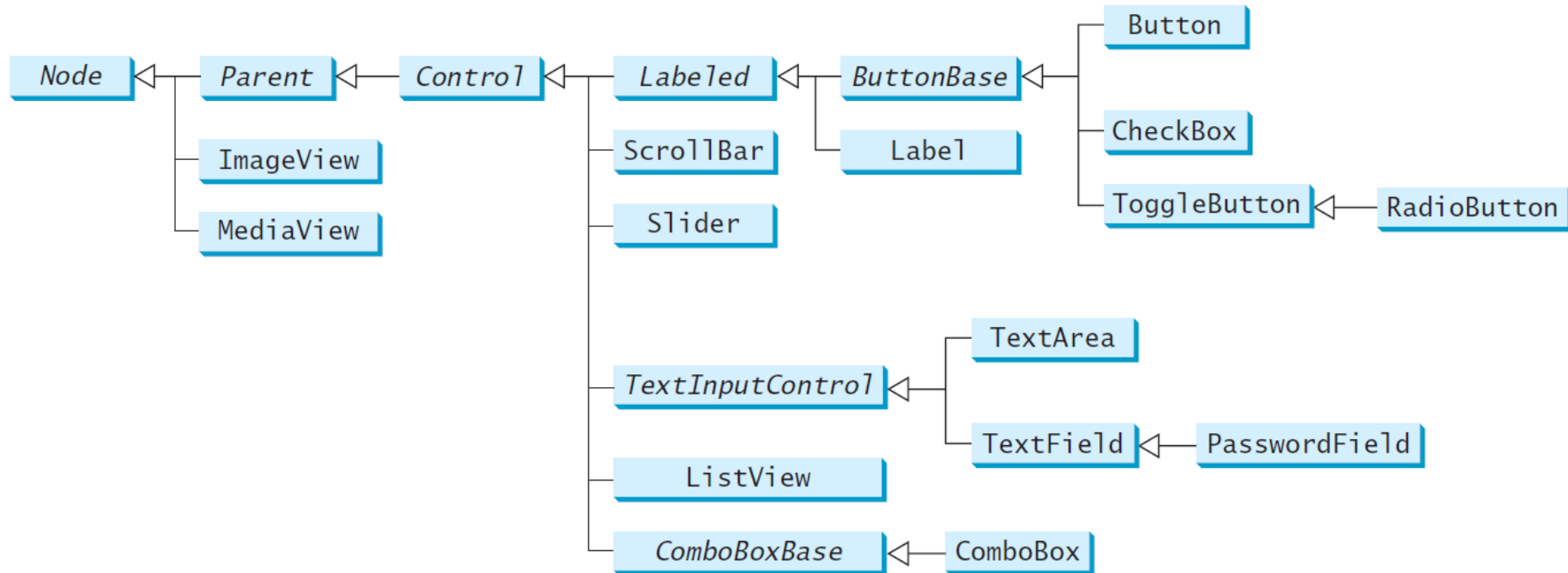
A graphical user interface (GUI) makes a system user-friendly and easy to use. Creating a GUI requires creativity and knowledge of how GUI components work. Since the GUI components in Java are very flexible and versatile, you can create a wide assortment of useful user interfaces.

Previous chapters briefly introduced several GUI components. This chapter introduces the frequently used GUI components in detail.

# Objectives

- ➡ To create a label with text and graphic using the **Label** class.
- ➡ To create a button with text and graphic using the **Button** class and set a handler using the **setOnAction** method in the abstract **ButtonBase** class.
- ➡ To create a check box using the **CheckBox** class and to create a radio button using the **RadioButton** class and group radio buttons using a **ToggleGroup**.
- ➡ To enter data using the **TextField** class and password using the **PasswordField** class.
- ➡ To enter data in multiple lines using the **TextArea** class.
- ➡ To select a single item using **ComboBox**.
- ➡ To select a single or multiple items using **ListView**.
- ➡ To select a range of values using **ScrollBar**.
- ➡ To select a range of values using **Slider** and explore differences between **ScrollBar** and **Slider**.

# Frequently Used UI Controls



The prefixes **lbl**, **bt**, **chk**, **rb**, **tf**, **pf**, **ta**, **cbo**, **lv**, **scb**, **sld**, and **mp** are used to name reference variables for **Label**, **Button**, **CheckBox**, **RadioButton**, **TextField**, **PasswordField**, **TextArea**, **ComboBox**, **ListView**, **ScrollBar**, **Slider**, and **MediaPlayer**.

# Labeled

A *label* is a display area for a short text, a node, or both. It is often used to label other controls (usually text fields). Labels and buttons share many common properties. These common properties are defined in the **Labeled** class.

*javafx.scene.control.Labeled*

-alignment: ObjectProperty<Pos>  
-contentDisplay:  
    ObjectProperty<ContentDisplay>  
-graphic: ObjectProperty<Node>  
-graphicTextGap: DoubleProperty  
-textFill: ObjectProperty<Paint>  
-text: StringProperty  
-underline: BooleanProperty  
-wrapText: BooleanProperty

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.

Specifies the alignment of the text and node in the labeled.

Specifies the position of the node relative to the text using the constants TOP, BOTTOM, LEFT, and RIGHT defined in ContentDisplay.

A graphic for the labeled.

The gap between the graphic and the text.

The paint used to fill the text.

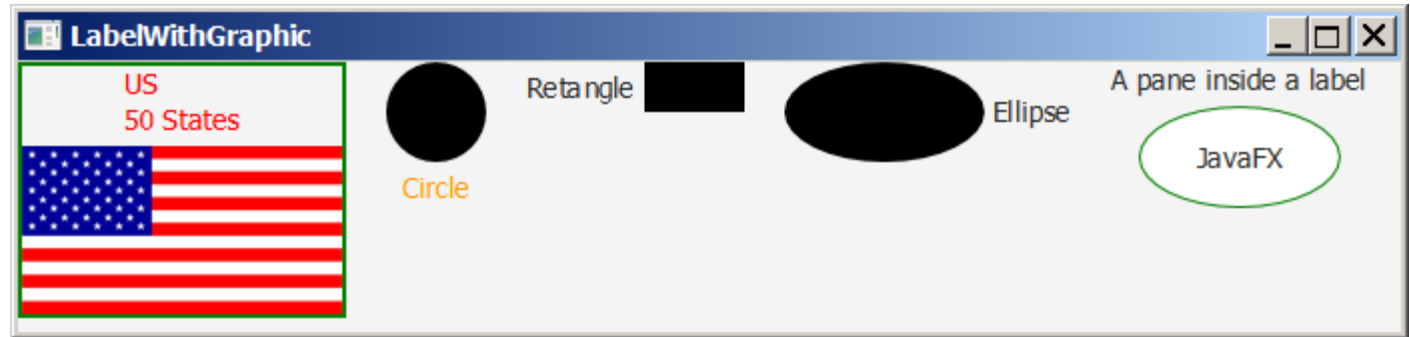
A text for the labeled.

Whether text should be underlined.

Whether text should be wrapped if the text exceeds the width.

# Label

The Label class defines labels.



*javafx.scene.control.Labeled*



**javafx.scene.control.Label**

+Label()  
+Label(text: String)  
+Label(text: String, graphic: Node)

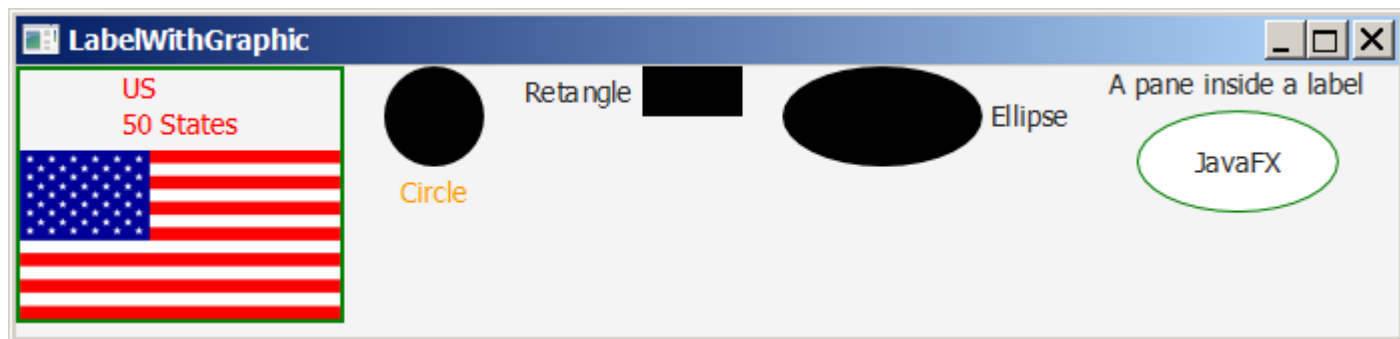
Creates an empty label.  
Creates a label with the specified text.  
Creates a label with the specified text and graphic.

# Label

```
15 public class LabelWithGraphic extends Application {
16     @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
17     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
18         ImageView us = new ImageView(new Image("image/us.gif"));
19         Label lb1 = new Label("US\n50 States", us);
20         lb1.setStyle("-fx-border-color: green; -fx-border-width: 2");
21         lb1.setContentDisplay(ContentDisplay.BOTTOM);
22         lb1.setTextFill(Color.RED);
23
24         Label lb2 = new Label("Circle", new Circle(50, 50, 25));
25         lb2.setContentDisplay(ContentDisplay.TOP);
26         lb2.setTextFill(Color.ORANGE);
27
28         Label lb3 = new Label("Rectangle", new Rectangle(10, 10, 50, 25));
29         lb3.setContentDisplay(ContentDisplay.RIGHT);
30
31         Label lb4 = new Label("Ellipse", new Ellipse(50, 50, 50, 25));
32         lb4.setContentDisplay(ContentDisplay.LEFT);
33
34         Ellipse ellipse = new Ellipse(50, 50, 50, 25);
35         ellipse.setStroke(Color.GREEN);
36         ellipse.setFill(Color.WHITE);
37         StackPane stackPane = new StackPane();
38         stackPane.getChildren().addAll(ellipse, new Label("JavaFX"));
39         Label lb5 = new Label("A pane inside a label", stackPane);
40         lb5.setContentDisplay(ContentDisplay.BOTTOM);
41
42         HBox pane = new HBox(20);
43         pane.getChildren().addAll(lb1, lb2, lb3, lb4, lb5);
44     }
```

# Label

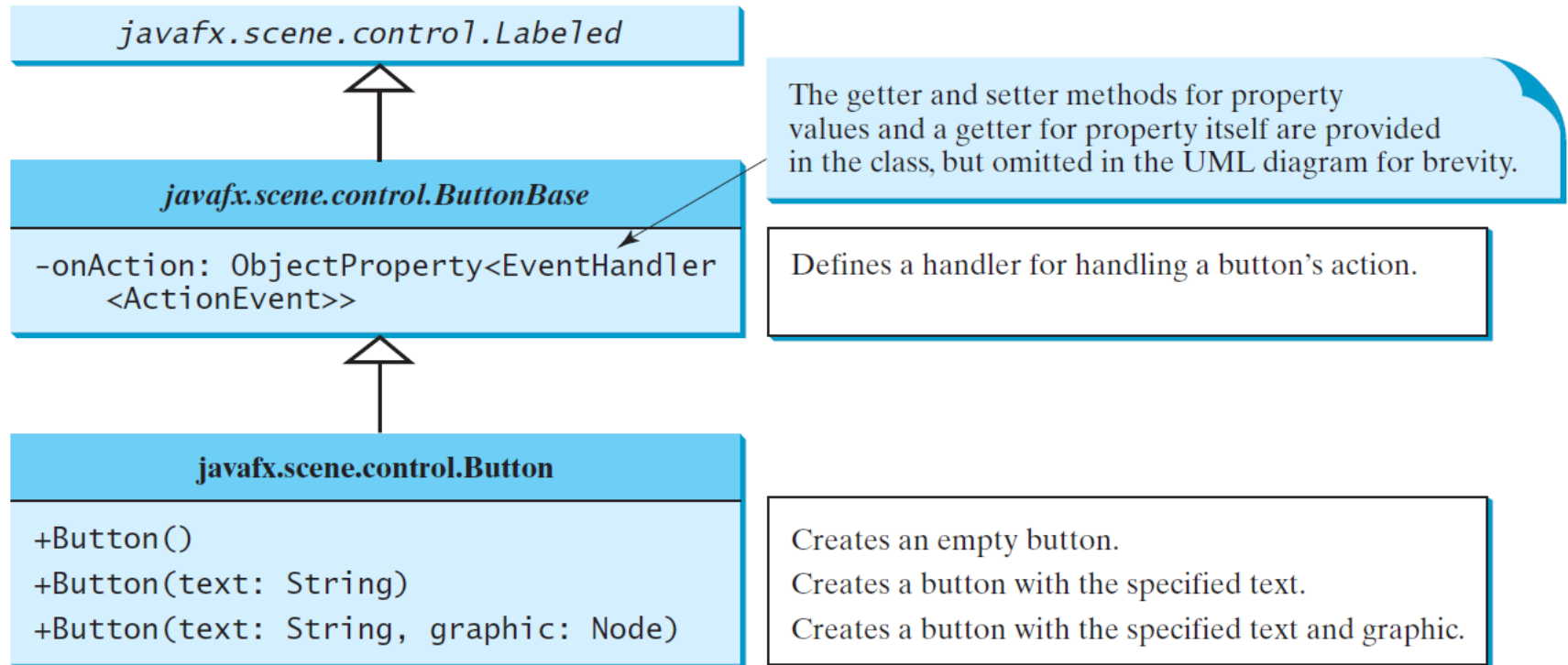
```
45 // Create a scene and place it in the stage
46 Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 450, 150);
47 primaryStage.setTitle("LabelWithGraphic"); // Set the stage title
48 primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
49 primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
50 }
60 }
```





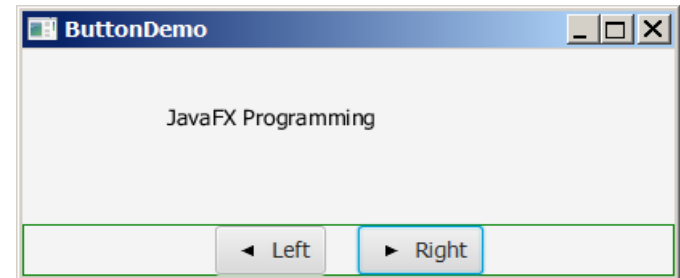
# ButtonBase and Button

A *button* is a control that triggers an action event when clicked. JavaFX provides regular buttons, toggle buttons, check box buttons, and radio buttons. The common features of these buttons are defined in **ButtonBase** and **Labeled** classes.



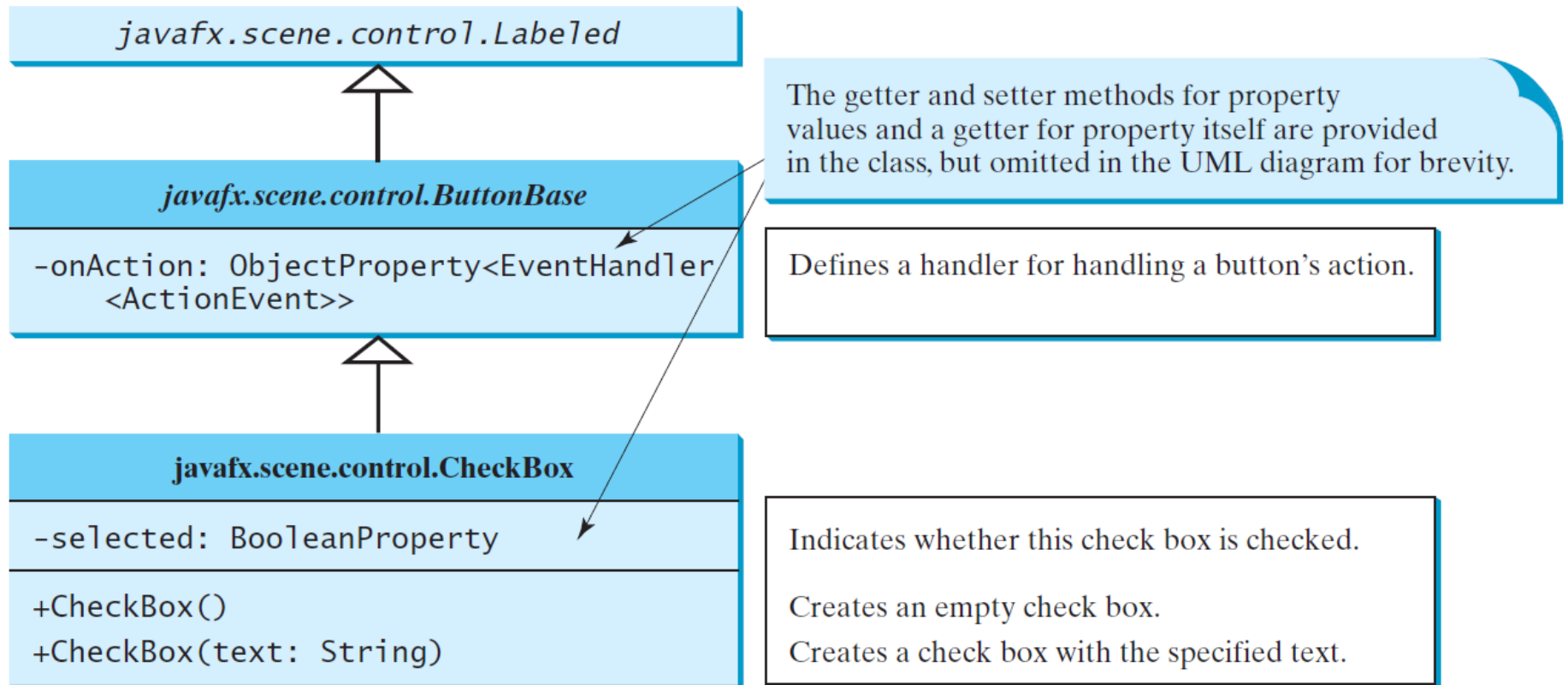
# Button Example

```
12 public class ButtonDemo extends Application {
13     protected Text text = new Text(50, 50, "JavaFX Programming");
14
15     protected BorderPane getPane() {
16         HBox paneForButtons = new HBox(20);
17         Button btLeft = new Button("Left",
18             new ImageView("image/left.gif"));
19         Button btRight = new Button("Right",
20             new ImageView("image/right.gif"));
21         paneForButtons.getChildren().addAll(btLeft, btRight);
22         paneForButtons.setAlignment(Pos.CENTER);
23         paneForButtons.setStyle("-fx-border-color: green");
24
25         BorderPane pane = new BorderPane();
26         pane.setBottom(paneForButtons);
27
28         Pane paneForText = new Pane();
29         paneForText.getChildren().add(text);
30         pane.setCenter(paneForText);
31
32         btLeft.setOnAction(e -> text.setX(text.getX() - 10));
33         btRight.setOnAction(e -> text.setX(text.getX() + 10));
34
35         return pane;
36     }
37
38     @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
39     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
40         // Create a scene and place it in the stage
41         Scene scene = new Scene(getPane(), 450, 200);
42         primaryStage.setTitle("ButtonDemo"); // Set the stage title
43         primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
44         primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
45     }
46 }
```



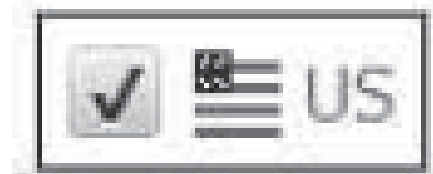
# CheckBox

A **CheckBox** is used for the user to make a selection. Like **Button**, **CheckBox** inherits all the properties such as **onAction**, **text**, **graphic**, **alignment**, **graphicTextGap**, **textFill**, **contentDisplay** from **ButtonBase** and **Labeled**.



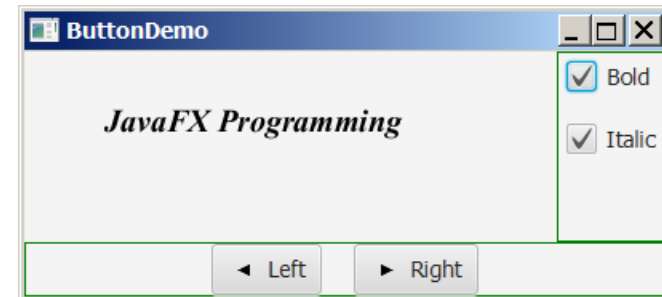
# CheckBox

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



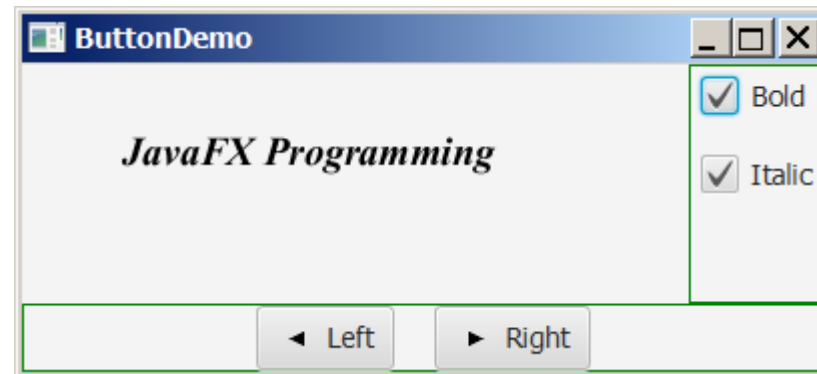
# CheckBox Example

```
11 public class CheckBoxDemo extends ButtonDemo {
12     @Override // Override the getPane() method in the super class
13     protected BorderPane getPane() {
14         BorderPane pane = super.getPane();
15
16         Font fontBoldItalic = Font.font("Times New Roman",
17             FontWeight.BOLD, FontPosture.ITALIC, 20);
18         Font fontBold = Font.font("Times New Roman",
19             FontWeight.BOLD, FontPosture.REGULAR, 20);
20         Font fontItalic = Font.font("Times New Roman",
21             FontWeight.NORMAL, FontPosture.ITALIC, 20);
22         Font fontNormal = Font.font("Times New Roman",
23             FontWeight.NORMAL, FontPosture.REGULAR, 20);
24
25         text.setFont(fontNormal);
26
27         VBox paneForCheckBoxes = new VBox(20);
28         paneForCheckBoxes.setPadding(new Insets(5, 5, 5, 5));
29         paneForCheckBoxes.setStyle("-fx-border-color: green");
30         CheckBox chkBold = new CheckBox("Bold");
31         CheckBox chkItalic = new CheckBox("Italic");
32         paneForCheckBoxes.getChildren().addAll(chkBold, chkItalic);
33         pane.setRight(paneForCheckBoxes);
```



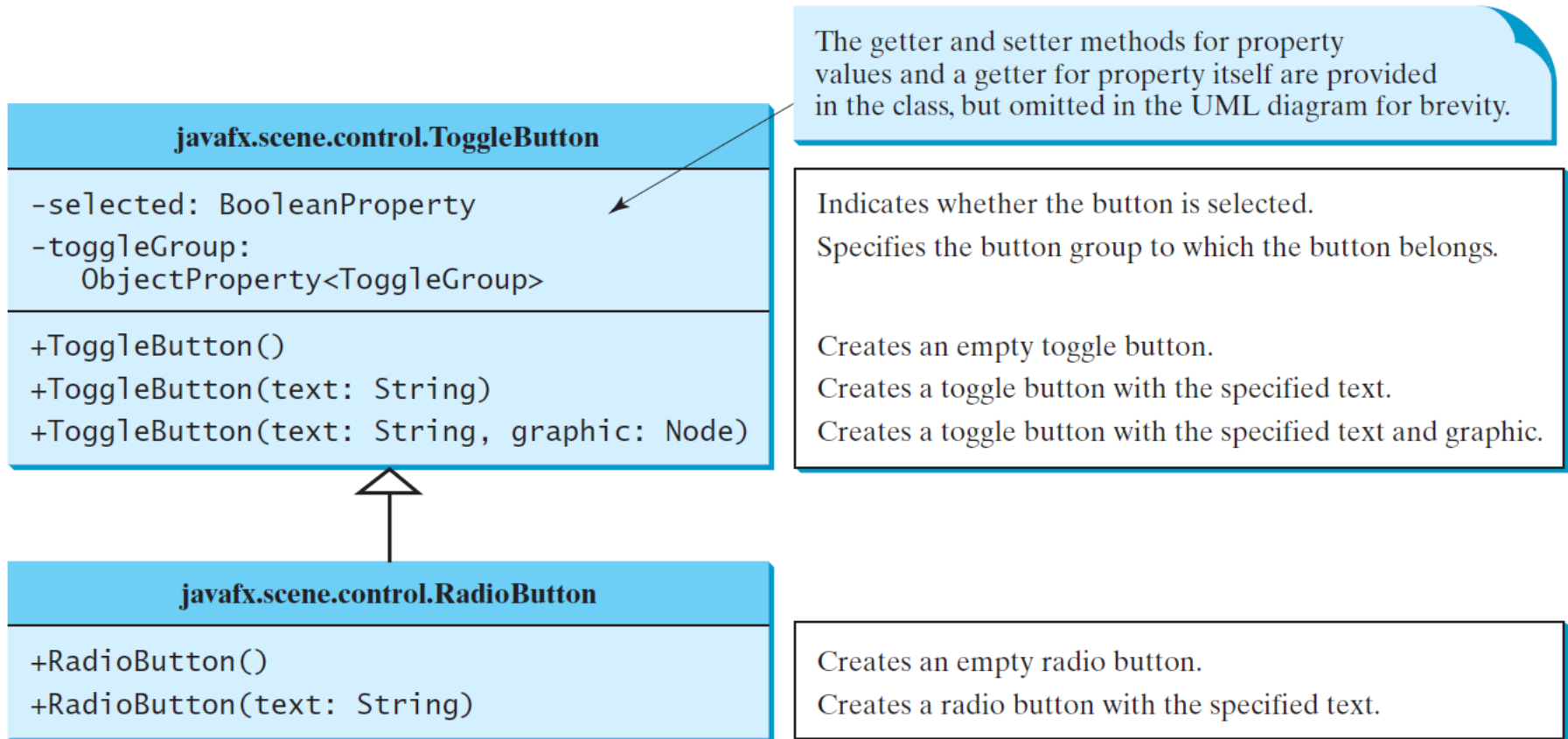
# CheckBox Example

```
34
35 EventHandler<ActionEvent> handler = e -> {
36     if (chkBold.isSelected() && chkItalic.isSelected()) {
37         text.setFont(fontBoldItalic); // Both check boxes checked
38     }
39     else if (chkBold.isSelected()) {
40         text.setFont(fontBold); // The Bold check box checked
41     }
42     else if (chkItalic.isSelected()) {
43         text.setFont(fontItalic); // The Italic check box checked
44     }
45     else {
46         text.setFont(fontNormal); // Both check boxes unchecked
47     }
48 };
49
50 chkBold.setOnAction(handler);
51 chkItalic.setOnAction(handler);
52
53 return pane; // Return a new pane
54 }
55 }
```



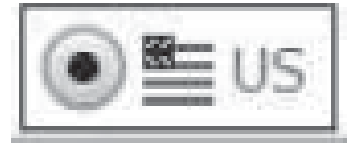
# RadioButton

Radio buttons, also known as *option buttons*, enable you to choose a single item from a group of choices. In appearance radio buttons resemble check boxes, but check boxes display a square that is either checked or blank, whereas radio buttons display a circle that is either filled (if selected) or blank (if not selected).



# 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,));
```

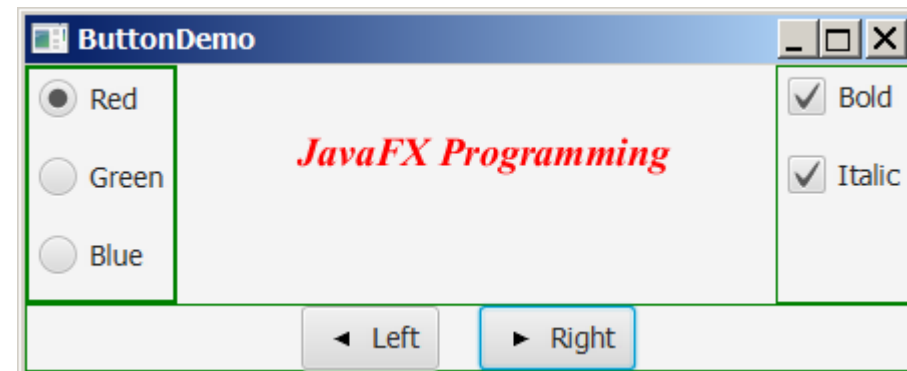


```
ToggleGroup group = new ToggleGroup();  
rbRed.setToggleGroup(group);  
rbGreen.setToggleGroup(group);  
rbBlue.setToggleGroup(group);
```



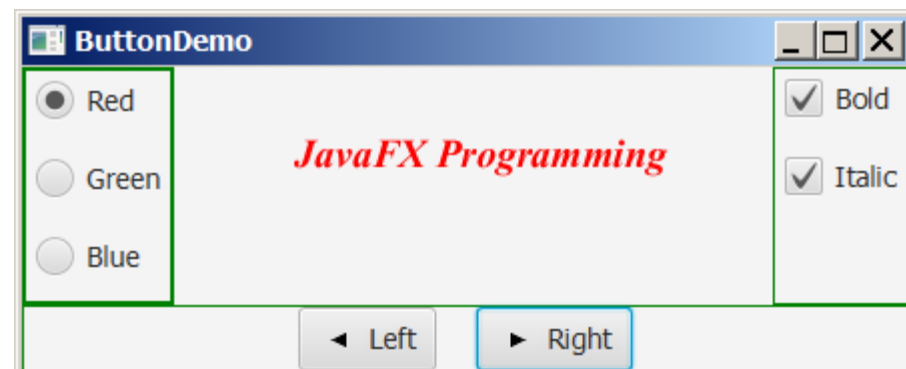
# RadioButton Example

```
8 public class RadioButtonDemo extends CheckBoxDemo {
9     @Override // Override the getPane() method in the super class
10    protected BorderPane getPane() {
11        BorderPane pane = super.getPane();
12
13        VBox paneForRadioButtons = new VBox(20);
14        paneForRadioButtons.setPadding(new Insets(5, 5, 5, 5));
15        paneForRadioButtons.setStyle("-fx-border-color: green");
16        paneForRadioButtons.setStyle
17            ("-fx-border-width: 2px; -fx-border-color: green");
18        RadioButton rbRed = new RadioButton("Red");
19        RadioButton rbGreen = new RadioButton("Green");
20        RadioButton rbBlue = new RadioButton("Blue");
21        paneForRadioButtons.getChildren().addAll(rbRed, rbGreen, rbBlue);
22        pane.setLeft(paneForRadioButtons);
23
24        ToggleGroup group = new ToggleGroup();
25        rbRed.setToggleGroup(group);
26        rbGreen.setToggleGroup(group);
27        rbBlue.setToggleGroup(group);
28    }
```



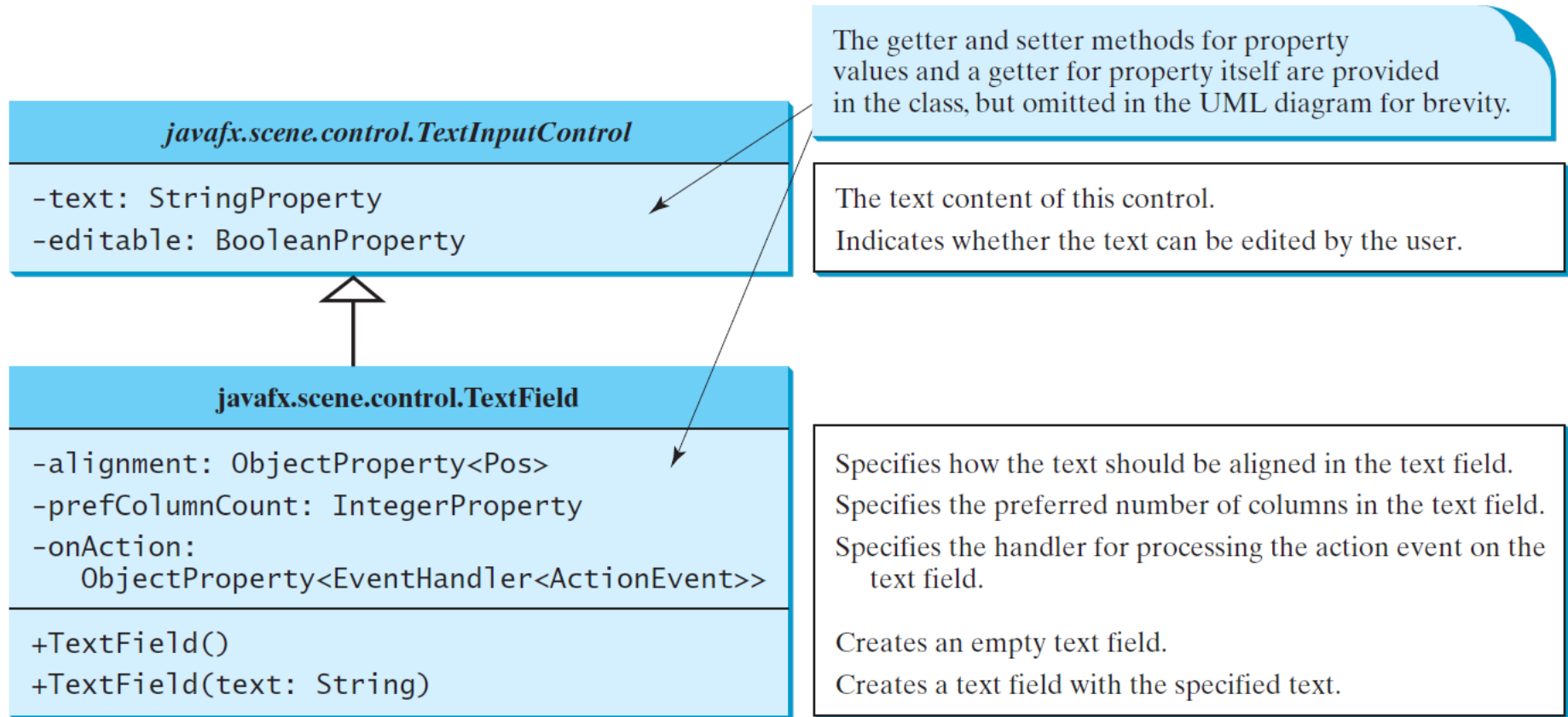
# RadioButton Example

```
29  rbRed.setOnAction(e -> {
30      if (rbRed.isSelected()) {
31          text.setFill(Color.RED);
32      }
33  });
34
35  rbGreen.setOnAction(e -> {
36      if (rbGreen.isSelected()) {
37          text.setFill(Color.GREEN);
38      }
39  });
40
41  rbBlue.setOnAction(e -> {
42      if (rbBlue.isSelected()) {
43          text.setFill(Color.BLUE);
44      }
45  });
46
47  return pane;
48  }
49  }
```



# TextField

A text field can be used to enter or display a string. **TextField** is a subclass of **TextInputControl**.



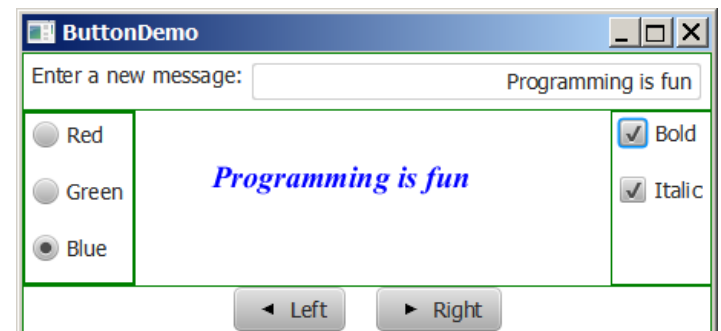
# TextField

```
TextField tfMessage = new TextField("T-Strom");  
tfMessage.setEditable(false);  
tfMessage.setStyle("-fx-text-fill: red");  
tfMessage.setFont(Font.font("Times", 20));  
tfMessage.setAlignment(Pos.BASELINE_RIGHT);
```



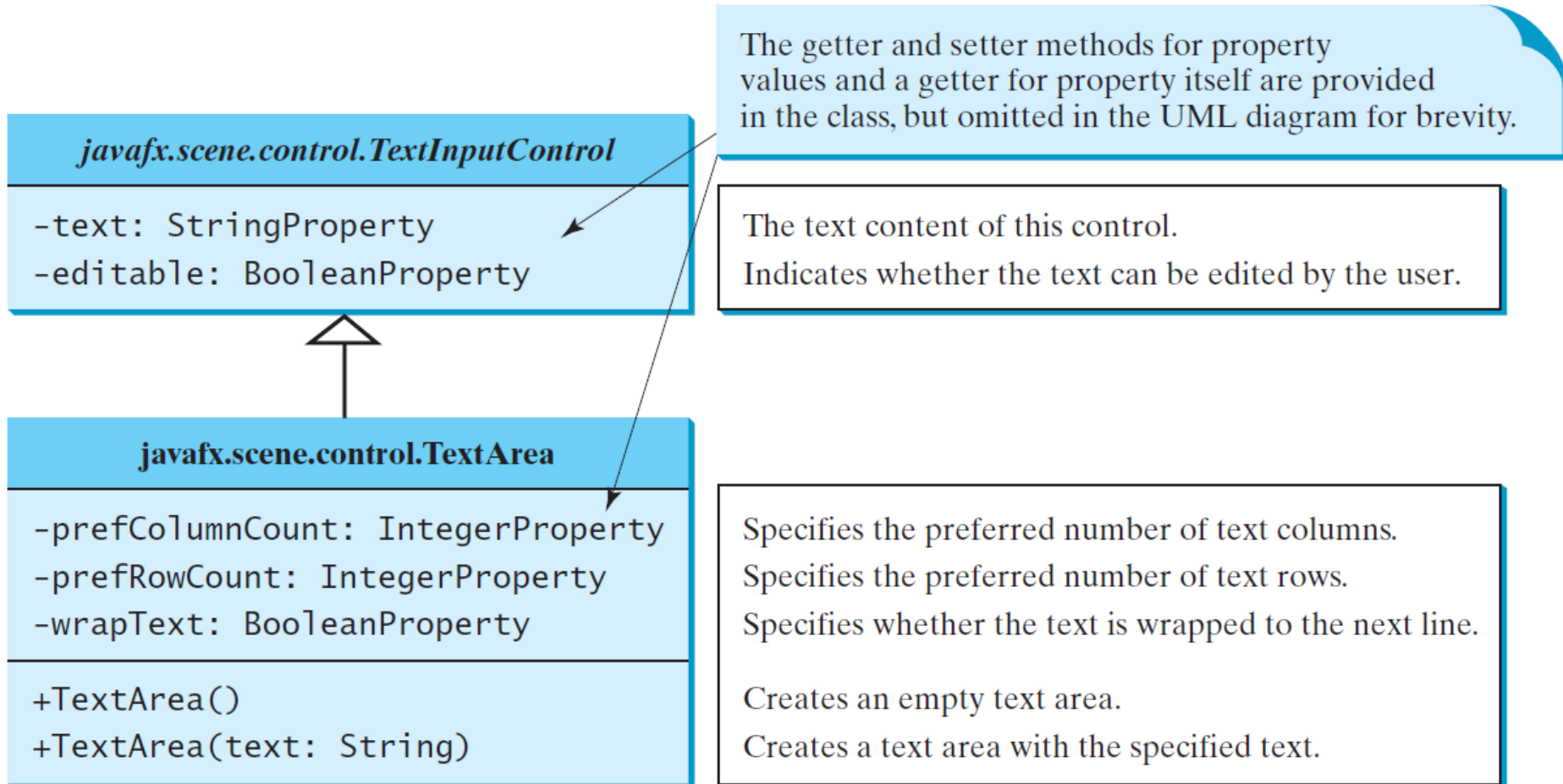
# TextField Example

```
7 public class TextFieldDemo extends RadioButtonDemo {
8     @Override // Override the getPane() method in the super class
9     protected BorderPane getPane() {
10         BorderPane pane = super.getPane();
11
12         BorderPane paneForTextField = new BorderPane();
13         paneForTextField.setPadding(new Insets(5, 5, 5, 5));
14         paneForTextField.setStyle("-fx-border-color: green");
15         paneForTextField.setLeft(new Label("Enter a new message: "));
16
17         TextField tf = new TextField();
18         tf.setAlignment(Pos.BOTTOM_RIGHT);
19         paneForTextField.setCenter(tf);
20         pane.setTop(paneForTextField);
21
22         tf.setOnAction(e -> text.setText(tf.getText()));
23
24         return pane;
25     }
26 }
```

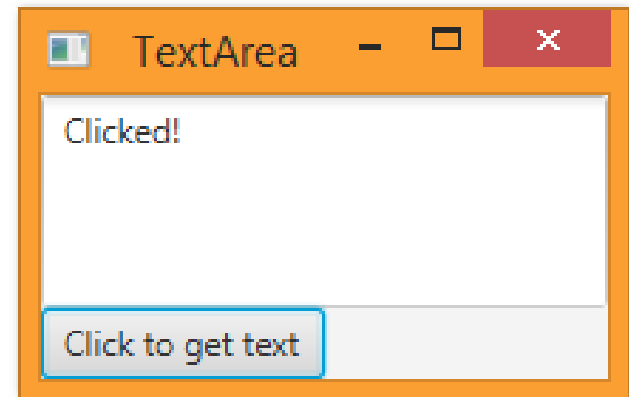


# TextArea

A **TextArea** enables the user to enter multiple lines of text.



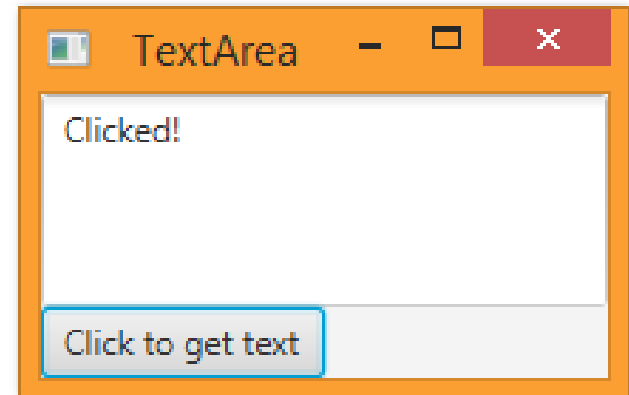
# TextArea Example



```
TextArea taNote = new TextArea("This is a text area");  
taNote.setPrefColumnCount(20);  
taNote.setPrefRowCount(5);  
taNote.setWrapText(true);  
taNote.setStyle("-fx-text-fill: red");  
taNote.setFont(Font.font("Times", 20));
```

# TextArea Example

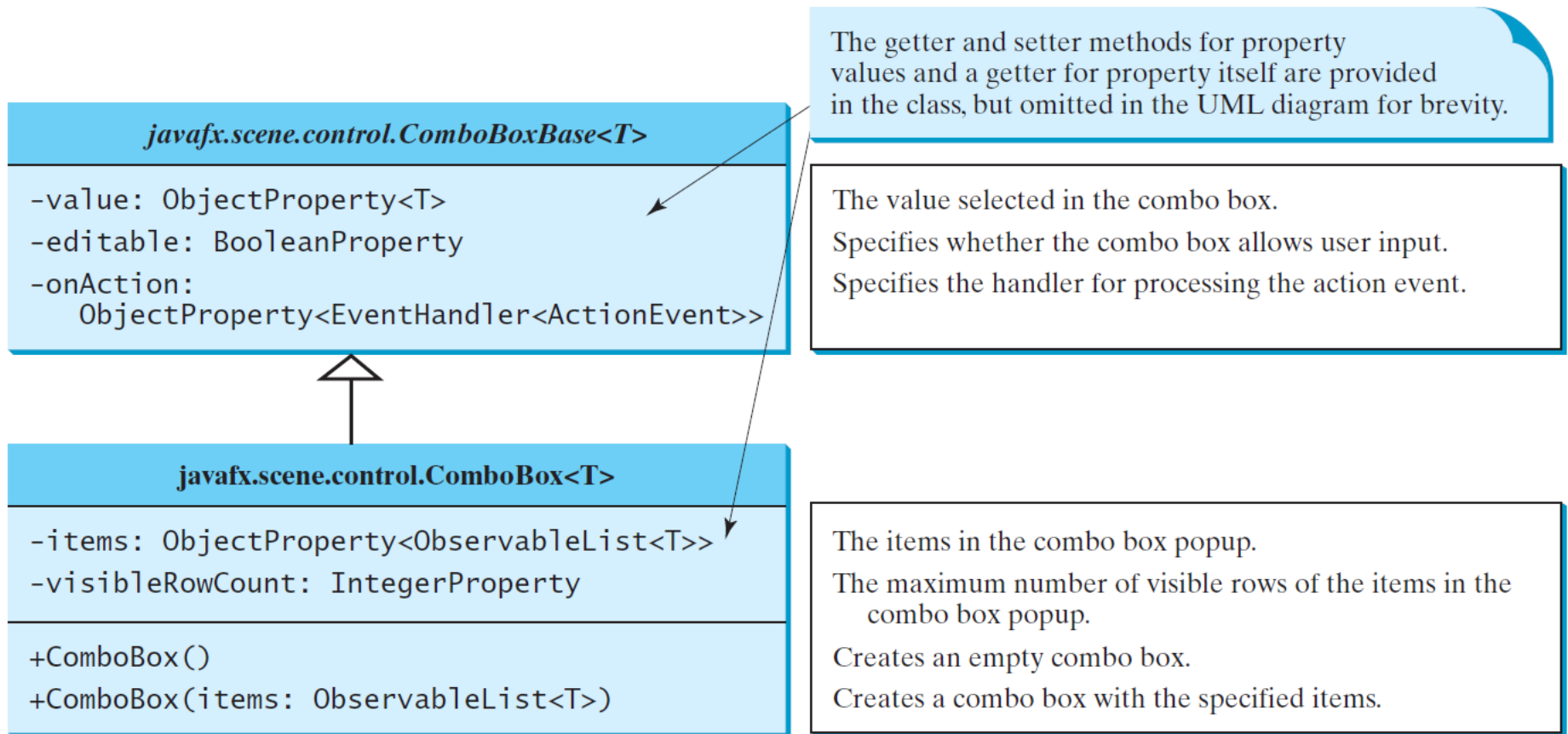
```
1 import javafx.application.Application;
2 import javafx.scene.Scene;
3 import javafx.scene.control.Button;
4 import javafx.scene.control.TextArea;
5 import javafx.scene.layout.VBox;
6 import javafx.stage.Stage;
7
8 public class TextAreaDemo extends Application {
9     @Override
10    public void start(Stage primaryStage) throws Exception {
11
12        TextArea textArea = new TextArea();
13        Button button = new Button("Click to get text");
14        button.setMinWidth(50);
15
16        button.setOnAction(action -> {
17            System.out.println(textArea.getText());
18            textArea.setText("Clicked!");
19        });
20
21        VBox vbox = new VBox(textArea, button);
22
23        Scene scene = new Scene(vbox, 200, 100);
24        primaryStage.setTitle("TextArea");
25        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
26        primaryStage.show();
27    }
28
29    public static void main(String[] args) {
30        Application.launch(args);
31    }
32 }
```





# ComboBox

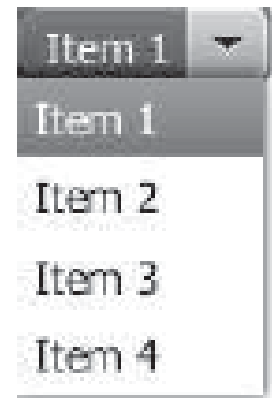
A combo box, also known as a choice list or drop-down list, contains a list of items from which the user can choose.



# ComboBox Example

This example lets users view an image and a description of a country's flag by selecting the country from a combo box.

```
ComboBox<String> cbo = new ComboBox<>();  
cbo.getItems().addAll("Item 1", "Item 2",  
    "Item 3", "Item 4");  
cbo.setStyle("-fx-color: red");  
cbo.setValue("Item 1");
```



# ComboBox Example

```
11 public class ComboBoxDemo extends Application {
12     // Declare an array of Strings for flag titles
13     private String[] flagTitles = {"Canada", "China", "Denmark",
14         "France", "Germany", "India", "Norway", "United Kingdom",
15         "United States of America"};
16
17     // Declare an ImageView array for the national flags of 9 countries
18     private ImageView[] flagImage = {new ImageView("image/ca.gif"),
19         new ImageView("image/china.gif"),
20         new ImageView("image/denmark.gif"),
21         new ImageView("image/fr.gif"),
22         new ImageView("image/germany.gif"),
23         new ImageView("image/india.gif"),
24         new ImageView("image/norway.gif"),
25         new ImageView("image/uk.gif"), new ImageView("image/us.gif")};
26
27     // Declare an array of strings for flag descriptions
28     private String[] flagDescription = new String[9];
29
30     // Declare and create a description pane
31     private DescriptionPane descriptionPane = new DescriptionPane();
32
33     // Create a combo box for selecting countries
34     private ComboBox<String> cbo = new ComboBox<>(); // flagTitles;
35
36     @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
37     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
38         // Set text description
39         flagDescription[0] = "The Canadian national flag ...";
40         flagDescription[1] = "Description for China ... ";
41         flagDescription[2] = "Description for Denmark ... ";
42         flagDescription[3] = "Description for France ... ";
43         flagDescription[4] = "Description for Germany ... ";
44         flagDescription[5] = "Description for India ... ";
45         flagDescription[6] = "Description for Norway ... ";
46         flagDescription[7] = "Description for UK ... ";
47         flagDescription[8] = "Description for US ... ";
48
49         // Set the first country (Canada) for display
50         setDisplay(0);
51
52         // Add combo box and description pane to the border pane
53         BorderPane pane = new BorderPane();
54     }
```



# ComboBox Example

```
55  BorderPane paneForComboBox = new BorderPane();
56  paneForComboBox.setLeft(new Label("Select a country: "));
57  paneForComboBox.setCenter(cbo);
58  pane.setTop(paneForComboBox);
59  cbo.setPrefWidth(400);
60  cbo.setValue("Canada");
61
62  ObservableList<String> items =
63      FXCollections.observableArrayList(flagTitles);
64  cbo.getItems().addAll(items);
65  pane.setCenter(descriptionPane);
66
67  // Display the selected country
68  cbo.setOnAction(e -> setDisplay(items.indexOf(cbo.getValue())));
69
70  // Create a scene and place it in the stage
71  Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 450, 170);
72  primaryStage.setTitle("ComboBoxDemo"); // Set the stage title
73  primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
74  primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
75  }
76
77  /** Set display information on the description pane */
78  public void setDisplay(int index) {
79      descriptionPane.setTitle(flagTitles[index]);
80      descriptionPane.setImageView(flagImage[index]);
81      descriptionPane.setDescription(flagDescription[index]);
82  }
83  }
```



# ListView

A *list view* is a component that performs basically the same function as a combo box, but it enables the user to choose a single value or multiple values.

**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.

# Example: Using ListView

This example gives a program that lets users select countries in a list and display the flags of the selected countries in the labels.



(a) Single selection



(b) Multiple selection



(c) Multiple selection

# Example: Using ListView

Create a list view of 6 items with multiple selections

```
ObservableList<String> items =  
    FXCollections.observableArrayList("Item 1", "Item 2",  
        "Item 3", "Item 4", "Item 5", "Item 6");  
ListView<String> lv = new ListView<>(items);  
lv.getSelectionModel().setSelectionMode(SelectionMode.MULTIPLE);
```

A list view has **selectedItemProperty** property, and instance of **Observable**

```
lv.getSelectionModel().selectedItemProperty().addListener(ov -> {  
    System.out.println("Selected indices: "  
        + lv.getSelectionModel().getSelectedIndices());  
    System.out.println("Selected items: "  
        + lv.getSelectionModel().getSelectedItems());  
});
```

# Example: Using ListView

```
12 public class ListViewDemo extends Application {
13     // Declare an array of Strings for flag titles
14     private String[] flagTitles = {"Canada", "China", "Denmark",
15         "France", "Germany", "India", "Norway", "United Kingdom",
16         "United States of America"};
17
18     // Declare an ImageView array for the national flags of 9 countries
19     private ImageView[] ImageViews = {
20         new ImageView("image/ca.gif"),
21         new ImageView("image/china.gif"),
22         new ImageView("image/denmark.gif"),
23         new ImageView("image/fr.gif"),
24         new ImageView("image/germany.gif"),
25         new ImageView("image/india.gif"),
26         new ImageView("image/norway.gif"),
27         new ImageView("image/uk.gif"),
28         new ImageView("image/us.gif")
29     };
```





# Example: Using ListView

```
30
31 @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
32 public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
33     ListView<String> lv = new ListView<>
34         (FXCollections.observableArrayList(flagTitles));
35     lv.setPrefSize(400, 400);
36     lv.getSelectionModel().setSelectionMode(SelectionMode.MULTIPLE);
37
38     // Create a pane to hold image views
39     FlowPane imagePane = new FlowPane(10, 10);
40     BorderPane pane = new BorderPane();
41     pane.setLeft(new ScrollPane(lv));
42     pane.setCenter(imagePane);
43
44     lv.getSelectionModel().selectedItemProperty().addListener(
45         ov -> {
46             imagePane.getChildren().clear();
47             for (Integer i: lv.getSelectionModel().getSelectedIndices()) {
48                 imagePane.getChildren().add(ImageViews[i]);
49             }
50         });
51
52     // Create a scene and place it in the stage
53     Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 450, 170);
54     primaryStage.setTitle("ListViewDemo"); // Set the stage title
55     primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
56     primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
57 }
58 }
```



# ScrollBar

A *scroll bar* is a control that enables the user to select from a range of values. The scrollbar appears in two styles: *horizontal* and *vertical*.

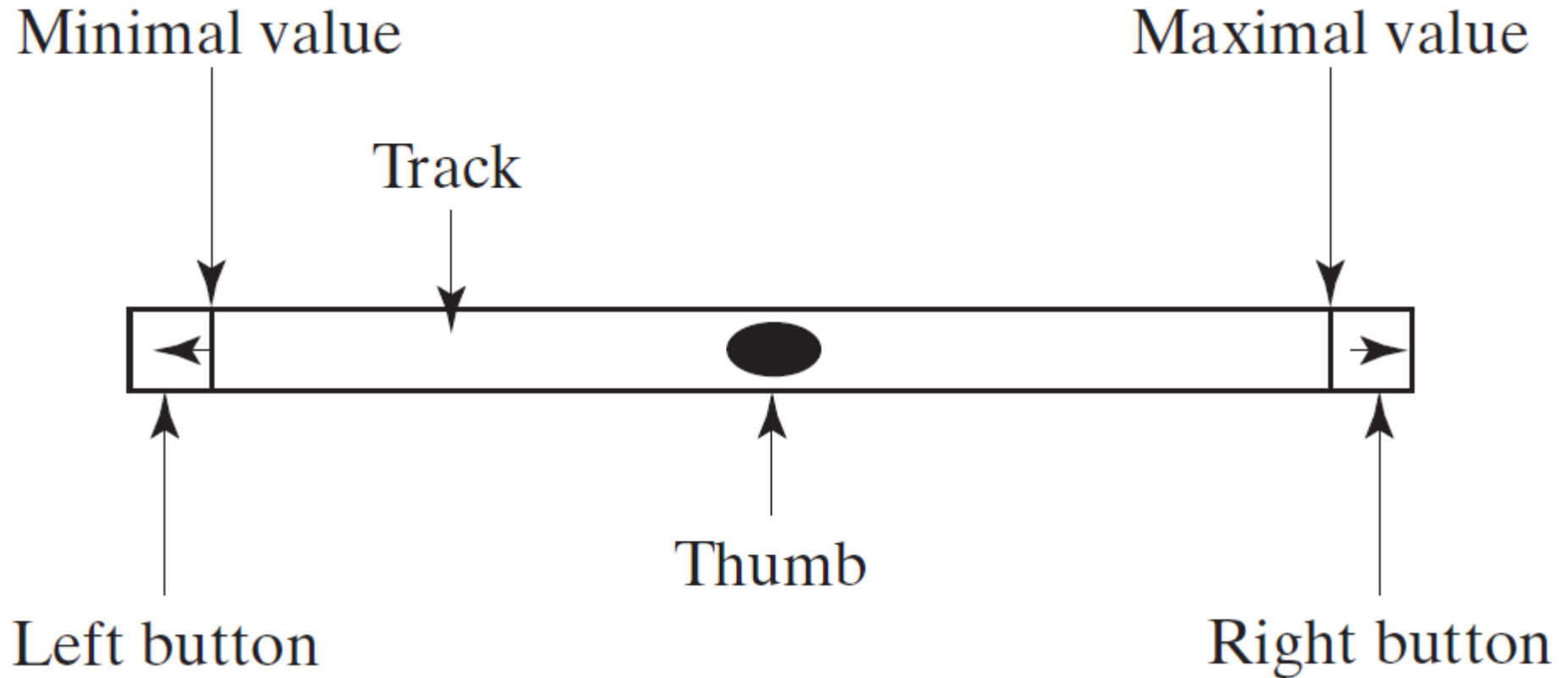
## javafx.scene.control.ScrollBar

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

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.

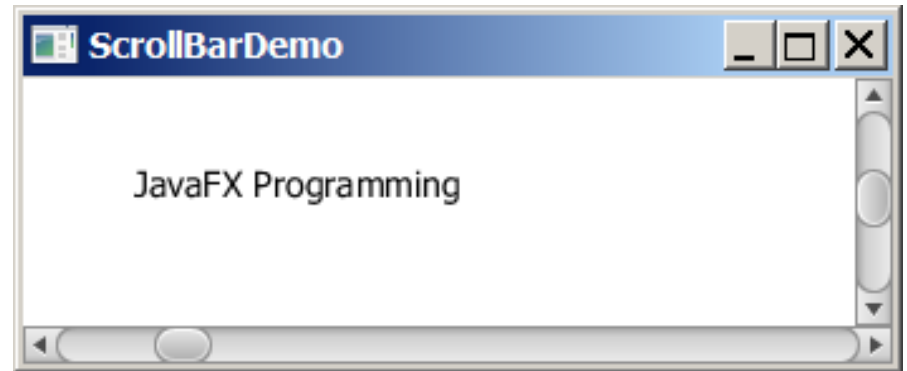
The amount to adjust the scroll bar if the track of the bar is clicked (default: 10).  
The maximum value represented by this scroll bar (default: 100).  
The minimum value represented by this scroll bar (default: 0).  
The amount to adjust the scroll bar when the `increment()` and `decrement()` methods 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`.

# Scroll Bar Properties



# Example: Using Scrollbars

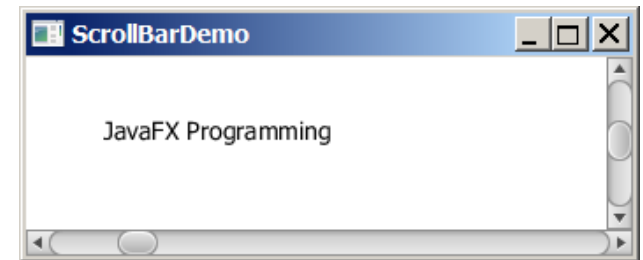
This example uses horizontal and vertical scrollbars to control a message displayed on a panel. The horizontal scrollbar is used to move the message to the left or the right, and the vertical scrollbar to move it up and down.



```
ScrollBar sb = new ScrollBar();  
sb.valueProperty().addListener(ov -> {  
    System.out.println("old value: " + oldVal);  
    System.out.println("new value: " + newVal);  
});
```

# Example: Using Scrollbars

```
10 public class ScrollBarDemo extends Application {
11     @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
12     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
13         Text text = new Text(20, 20, "JavaFX Programming");
14
15         ScrollBar sbHorizontal = new ScrollBar();
16         ScrollBar sbVertical = new ScrollBar();
17         sbVertical.setOrientation(Orientation.VERTICAL);
18
19         // Create a text in a pane
20         Pane paneForText = new Pane();
21         paneForText.getChildren().add(text);
22
23         // Create a border pane to hold text and scroll bars
24         BorderPane pane = new BorderPane();
25         pane.setCenter(paneForText);
26         pane.setBottom(sbHorizontal);
27         pane.setRight(sbVertical);
28
29         // Listener for horizontal scroll bar value change
30         sbHorizontal.valueProperty().addListener(ov ->
31             text.setX(sbHorizontal.getValue() * paneForText.getWidth() /
32                 sbHorizontal.getMax()));
33
34         // Listener for vertical scroll bar value change
35         sbVertical.valueProperty().addListener(ov ->
36             text.setY(sbVertical.getValue() * paneForText.getHeight() /
37                 sbVertical.getMax()));
38
39         // Create a scene and place it in the stage
40         Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 450, 170);
41         primaryStage.setTitle("ScrollBarDemo"); // Set the stage title
42         primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
43         primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
44     }
45 }
```



# Slider

Slider is similar to ScrollBar, but Slider has more properties and can appear in many forms.

## javafx.scene.control.Slider

-blockIncrement: DoubleProperty  
-max: DoubleProperty  
-min: DoubleProperty  
-value: DoubleProperty  
-orientation: ObjectProperty<Orientation>  
-majorTickUnit: DoubleProperty  
-minorTickCount: IntegerProperty  
-showTickLabels: BooleanProperty  
-showTickMarks: BooleanProperty

+Slider()  
+Slider(min: double, max: double,  
value: double)

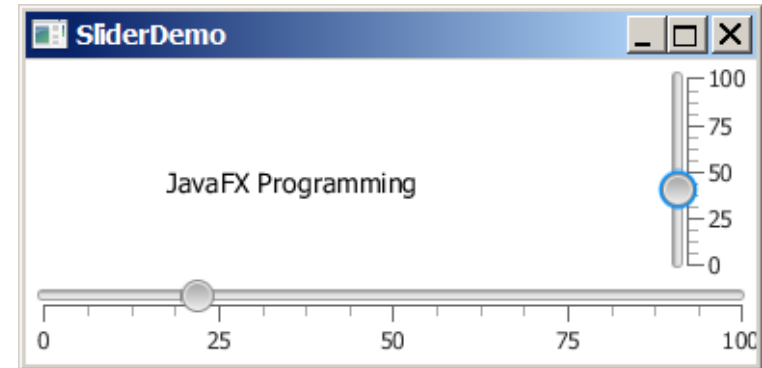
The getter and setter methods for property values and a getter for property itself are provided in the class, but omitted in the UML diagram for brevity.

The amount to adjust the slider if the track of the bar is clicked (default: 10).  
The maximum value represented by this slider (default: 100).  
The minimum value represented by this slider (default: 0).  
Current value of the slider (default: 0).  
Specifies the orientation of the slider (default: HORIZONTAL).  
The unit distance between major tick marks.  
The number of minor ticks to place between two major ticks.  
Specifies whether the labels for tick marks are shown.  
Specifies whether the tick marks are shown.

Creates a default horizontal slider.  
Creates a slider with the specified min, max, and value.

# Example: Using Sliders

```
10 public class SliderDemo extends Application {
11     @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
12     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
13         Text text = new Text(20, 20, "JavaFX Programming");
14
15         Slider s1Horizontal = new Slider();
16         s1Horizontal.setShowTickLabels(true);
17         s1Horizontal.setShowTickMarks(true);
18
19         Slider s1Vertical = new Slider();
20         s1Vertical.setOrientation(Orientation.VERTICAL);
21         s1Vertical.setShowTickLabels(true);
22         s1Vertical.setShowTickMarks(true);
23         s1Vertical.setValue(100);
24
25         // Create a text in a pane
26         Pane paneForText = new Pane();
27         paneForText.getChildren().add(text);
28
29         // Create a border pane to hold text and scroll bars
30         BorderPane pane = new BorderPane();
31         pane.setCenter(paneForText);
32         pane.setBottom(s1Horizontal);
33         pane.setRight(s1Vertical);
34
35         s1Horizontal.valueProperty().addListener(ov ->
36             text.setX(s1Horizontal.getValue() * paneForText.getWidth() /
37                 s1Horizontal.getMax()));
38
39         s1Vertical.valueProperty().addListener(ov ->
40             text.setY((s1Vertical.getMax() - s1Vertical.getValue())
41                 * paneForText.getHeight() / s1Vertical.getMax()));
42
43         // Create a scene and place it in the stage
44         Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 450, 170);
45         primaryStage.setTitle("SliderDemo"); // Set the stage title
46         primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
47         primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
48     }
49 }
```



Rewrite the preceding program using the sliders to control a message displayed on a panel instead of using scroll bars.