

# SWING - JTEXTFIELD CLASS

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## Introduction

The class **JTextField** is a component which allows the editing of a single line of text.

## Class declaration

Following is the declaration for **javax.swing.JTextField** class –

```
public class JTextField
    extends JTextComponent
    implements SwingConstants
```

## Field

Following are the fields for **javax.swing.JTextField** class –

- **static String notifyAction** – Name of the action to send notification that the contents of the field have been accepted.

## Class constructors

S.N.	Constructor & Description
1	<b>JTextField</b> Constructs a new TextField.
2	<b>JTextFieldDocumentdoc, Stringtext, intcolumns</b> Constructs a new JTextField that uses the given text storage model and the given number of columns.
3	<b>JTextFieldintcolumns</b> Constructs a new empty TextField with the specified number of columns.
4	<b>JTextFieldStringtext</b> Constructs a new TextField initialized with the specified text.
5	<b>JTextFieldStringtext, intcolumns</b> Constructs a new TextField initialized with the specified text and columns.

## Class methods

S.N.	Method & Description
1	<b>protected void actionPerformedActionaction, StringpropertyName</b> Updates the textfield's state in response to property changes in associated action.

2	<b>void addActionListener</b> <i>ActionListener l</i>	Adds the specified action listener to receive action events from this textfield.
3	<b>protected void configurePropertiesFromAction</b> <i>Action a</i>	Sets the properties on this textfield to match those in the specified Action.
4	<b>protected PropertyChangeListener createActionPropertyChangeListener</b> <i>Action a</i>	Creates and returns a PropertyChangeListener that is responsible for listening for changes from the specified Action and updating the appropriate properties.
5	<b>protected Document createDefaultModel</b>	Creates the default implementation of the model to be used at construction if one isn't explicitly given.
6	<b>protected void fireActionPerformed</b>	Notifies all listeners that have registered interest for notification on this event type.
7	<b>AccessibleContext getAccessibleContext</b>	Gets the AccessibleContext associated with this JTextField.
8	<b>Action getAction</b>	Returns the currently set Action for this ActionEvent source, or null if no Action is set.
9	<b>ActionListener[] getActionListeners</b>	Returns an array of all the ActionListeners added to this JTextField with addActionListener .
10	<b>Action[] getActions</b>	Fetches the command list for the editor.
11	<b>int getColumns</b>	Returns the number of columns in this TextField.
12	<b>protected int getColumnWidth</b>	Returns the column width.
13	<b>int getHorizontalAlignment</b>	Returns the horizontal alignment of the text.
14	<b>BoundedRangeModel getHorizontalVisibility</b>	Gets the visibility of the text field.
15	<b>Dimension getPreferredSize</b>	

Returns the preferred size Dimensions needed for this TextField.

16     **int getScrollOffset**

Gets the scroll offset, in pixels.

17     **String getUIClassID**

Gets the class ID for a UI.

18     **boolean isValidateRoot**

Calls to revalidate that come from within the textfield itself will be handled by validating the textfield, unless the textfield is contained within a JViewport, in which case this returns false.

19     **protected String paramString**

Returns a string representation of this JTextField.

20     **void postActionEvent**

Processes action events occurring on this textfield by dispatching them to any registered ActionListener objects.

21     **void removeActionListener***ActionListenerl*

Removes the specified action listener so that it no longer receives action events from this textfield.

22     **void scrollRectToVisible***Rectangler*

Scrolls the field left or right.

23     **void setAction***Actiona*

Sets the Action for the ActionEvent source.

24     **void setActionCommand***Stringcommand*

Sets the command string used for action events.

25     **void setColumns***intcolumns*

Sets the number of columns in this TextField, and then invalidate the layout.

26     **void setDocument***Documentdoc*

Associates the editor with a text document.

27     **void setFont***Fontf*

Sets the current font.

28     **void setHorizontalAlignment***intalignment*

Sets the horizontal alignment of the text.

29     **void setScrollOffset***int scrollOffset*

Sets the scroll offset, in pixels.

## Methods inherited

This class inherits methods from the following classes:

- javax.swing.text.JTextComponent
- javax.swing.JComponent
- java.awt.Container
- java.awt.Component
- java.lang.Object

## JTextField Example

Create the following java program using any editor of your choice in say **D:/ > SWING > com > tutorialspoint > gui >**

*SwingControlDemo.java*

```
package com.tutorialspoint.gui;

import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import javax.swing.*;

public class SwingControlDemo {

    private JFrame mainFrame;
    private JLabel headerLabel;
    private JLabel statusLabel;
    private JPanel controlPanel;

    public SwingControlDemo(){
        prepareGUI();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args){
        SwingControlDemo swingControlDemo = new SwingControlDemo();
        swingControlDemo.showTextFieldDemo();
    }

    private void prepareGUI(){
        mainFrame = new JFrame("Java Swing Examples");
        mainFrame.setSize(400,400);
        mainFrame.setLayout(new GridLayout(3, 1));
        mainFrame.addWindowListener(new WindowAdapter() {
            public void windowClosing(WindowEvent windowEvent){
                System.exit(0);
            }
        });
        headerLabel = new JLabel("", JLabel.CENTER);
        statusLabel = new JLabel("",JLabel.CENTER);

        statusLabel.setSize(350,100);

        controlPanel = new JPanel();
        controlPanel.setLayout(new FlowLayout());

        mainFrame.add(headerLabel);
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mainFrame.add(controlPanel);
mainFrame.add(statusLabel);
mainFrame.setVisible(true);
}

private void showTextFieldDemo(){
    headerLabel.setText("Control in action: JTextField");

    JLabel nameLabel= new JLabel("User ID: ", JLabel.RIGHT);
    JLabel passwordLabel = new JLabel("Password: ", JLabel.CENTER);
    final JTextField userText = new JTextField(6);
    final JPasswordField passwordText = new JPasswordField(6);

    JButton loginButton = new JButton("Login");
    loginButton.addActionListener(new ActionListener() {
        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
            String data = "Username " + userText.getText();
            data += ", Password: "
            + new String(passwordText.getPassword());
            statusLabel.setText(data);
        }
    });

    controlPanel.add(nameLabel);
    controlPanel.add(userText);
    controlPanel.add(passwordLabel);
    controlPanel.add(passwordText);
    controlPanel.add(loginButton);
    mainFrame.setVisible(true);
}
}

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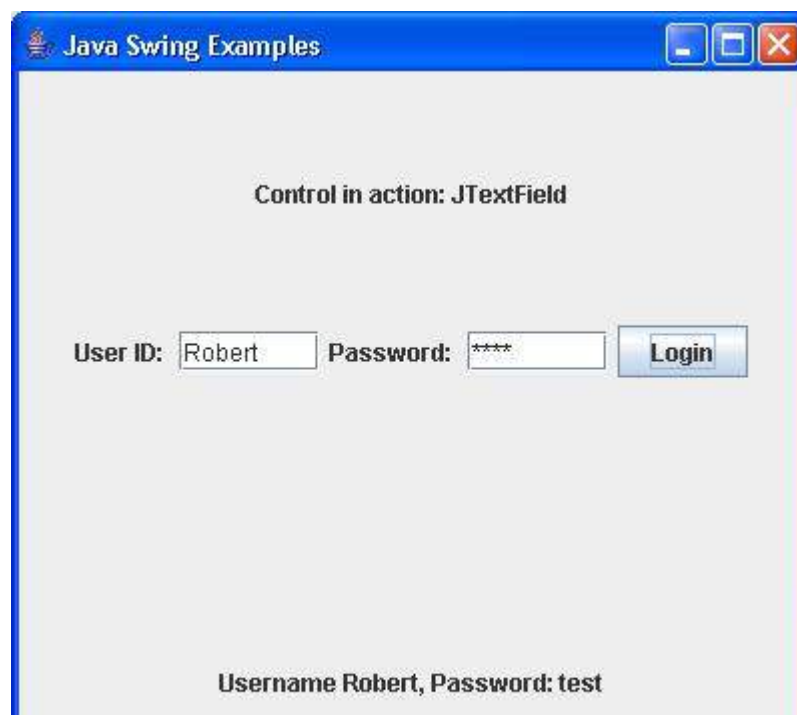
Compile the program using command prompt. Go to **D:/ > SWING** and type the following command.

```
D:\SWING>javac com\tutorialspoint\gui\SwingControlDemo.java
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If no error comes that means compilation is successful. Run the program using following command.

```
D:\SWING>java com.tutorialspoint.gui.SwingControlDemo
```

Verify the following output



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