

Chapter 14 JavaFX Basics

HBox and VBox Shapes



Hbox

- An **HBox** lays out its children in a single horizontal row.

`javafx.scene.layout.HBox`

`-alignment: ObjectProperty<Pos>`
`-fillHeight: BooleanProperty`
`-spacing: DoubleProperty`

`+HBox()`
`+HBox(spacing: double)`
`+setMargin(node: Node, value: Insets): void`

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 overall alignment of the children in the box (default: `Pos.TOP_LEFT`).
Is resizable children fill the full height of the box (default: `true`).
The horizontal gap between two nodes (default: 0).

Creates a default `HBox`.

Creates an `HBox` with the specified horizontal gap between nodes.

Sets the margin for the node in the pane.

VBox

- A **VBox** lays out its children in a single vertical column.

`javafx.scene.layout.VBox`

`-alignment: ObjectProperty<Pos>`
`-fillWidth: BooleanProperty`
`-spacing: DoubleProperty`

`+VBox()`
`+VBox(spacing: double)`
`+setMargin(node: Node, value: Insets): void`

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 overall alignment of the children in the box (default: `Pos.TOP_LEFT`).
Is resizable children fill the full width of the box (default: `true`).
The vertical gap between two nodes (default: 0).

Creates a default `VBox`.

Creates a `VBox` with the specified horizontal gap between nodes.

Sets the margin for the node in the pane.

Hbox and VBox Example

```
public class ShowHBoxVBox extends Application {  
    @Override // Override the start method in the Application class  
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {  
        // Create a border pane  
        BorderPane pane = new BorderPane();  
  
        // Place nodes in the pane  
        pane.setTop(getHBox());  
        pane.setLeft(getVBox());  
  
        // Create a scene and place it in the stage  
        Scene scene = new Scene(pane);  
        primaryStage.setTitle("ShowHBoxVBox"); // Set the stage title  
        primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage  
        primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage  
    }  
  
    private HBox getHBox() {  
        HBox hBox = new HBox(15);  
        hBox.setPadding(new Insets(15, 15, 15, 15));  
        hBox.setStyle("-fx-background-color: gold");  
        hBox.getChildren().add(new Button("Computer Science"));  
        hBox.getChildren().add(new Button("Chemistry"));  
        ImageView imageView = new ImageView(new Image("image/us.gif"));  
        hBox.getChildren().add(imageView);  
        return hBox;  
    }  
}
```



Hbox and VBox Example (continued)

```
private VBox getVBox() {  
    VBox vBox = new VBox(15);  
    vBox.setPadding(new Insets(15, 5, 5, 5));  
    vBox.getChildren().add(new Label("Courses"));
```

```
    Label[] courses = {new Label("CSCI 1301"), new Label("CSCI 1302"),  
        new Label("CSCI 2410"), new Label("CSCI 3720")};
```

```
    for (Label course: courses) {  
        VBox.setMargin(course, new Insets(0, 0, 0, 15));  
        vBox.getChildren().add(course);  
    }
```

```
    return vBox;
```

```
}
```

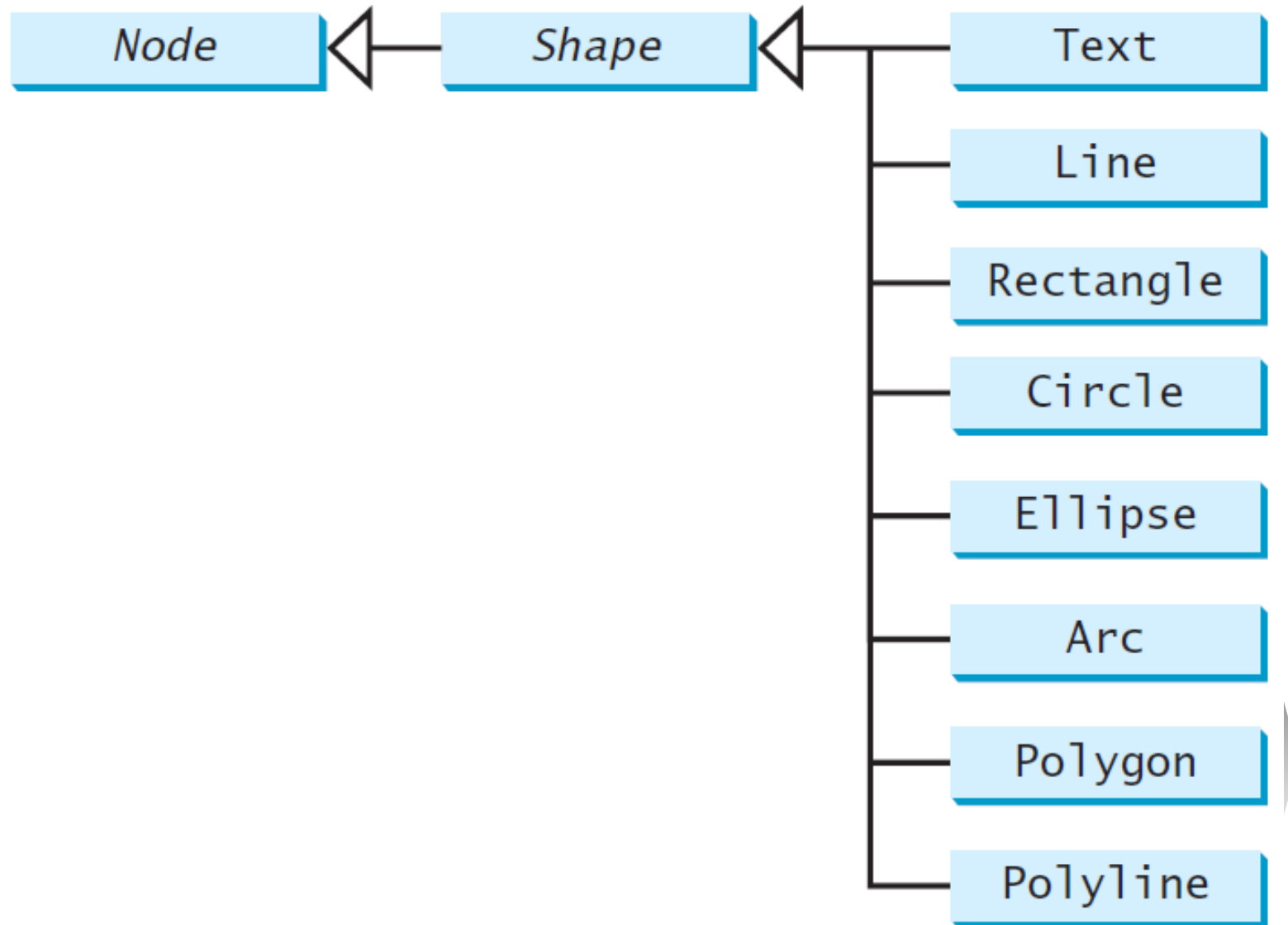
Shapes

- JavaFX provides many shape classes for drawing texts, lines, circles, rectangles, ellipses, arcs, polygons, and polylines.
- The **Shape** class is the abstract base class that defines the common properties for all shapes.
- Among them are the **fill**, **stroke**, and **strokeWidth** properties.
- The **fill** property specifies a color that fills the interior of a shape.
- The **stroke** property specifies a color that is used to draw the outline of a shape.
- The **strokeWidth** property specifies the width of the outline of a shape.



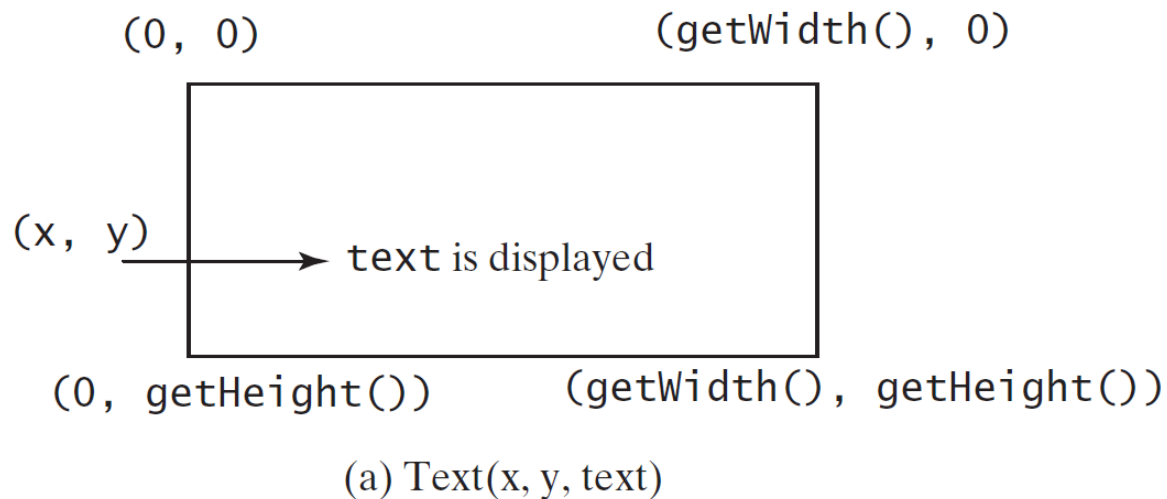
Shapes

Subclasses of abstract class **Shape**



Text

- The **Text** class defines a node that displays a string at a starting point (**x**, **y**).
- A **Text** object is usually placed in a pane.
- The pane's upper-left corner point is (**0**, **0**) and the bottom-right point is (**pane.getWidth()**, **pane.getHeight()**).
- A string may be displayed in multiple lines separated by **\n**.



Text

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.

javafx.scene.text.Text

-text: StringProperty
-x: DoubleProperty
-y: DoubleProperty
-underline: BooleanProperty
-strikethrough: BooleanProperty
-font: ObjectProperty

+Text()
+Text(text: String)
+Text(x: double, y: double,
text: String)

Defines the text to be displayed.

Defines the x-coordinate of text (default 0).

Defines the y-coordinate of text (default 0).

Defines if each line has an underline below it (default false).

Defines if each line has a line through it (default false).

Defines the font for the text.

Creates an empty Text.

Creates a Text with the specified text.

Creates a Text with the specified x-, y-coordinates and text.

Text Example

```
public class ShowText extends Application {
    @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        // Create a pane to hold the texts
        Pane pane = new Pane();
        pane.setPadding(new Insets(5, 5, 5, 5));
        Text text1 = new Text(20, 20, "Programming is fun");
        text1.setFont(Font.font("Courier", FontWeight.BOLD,
            FontPosture.ITALIC, 15));
        pane.getChildren().add(text1);

        Text text2 = new Text(60, 60, "Programming is fun\nDisplay text");
        pane.getChildren().add(text2);

        Text text3 = new Text(10, 100, "Programming is fun\nDisplay text");
        text3.setFill(Color.RED);
        text3.setUnderline(true);
        text3.setStrikethrough(true);
        pane.getChildren().add(text3);

        // Create a scene and place it in the stage
        Scene scene = new Scene(pane);
        primaryStage.setTitle("ShowText"); // Set the stage title
        primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
        primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
    }
}
```

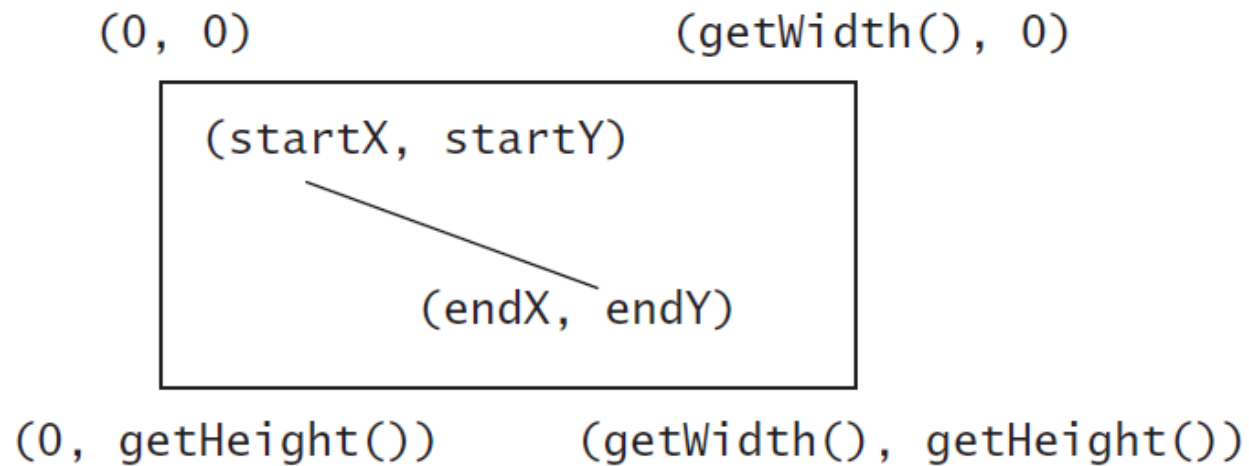


(b) Three Text objects are displayed



Line

- The **Line** class is used to connect two points with four parameters startX, startY, endX, and endY.



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`javafx.scene.shape.Line`

```
-startX: DoubleProperty
-startY: DoubleProperty
-endX: DoubleProperty
-endY: DoubleProperty

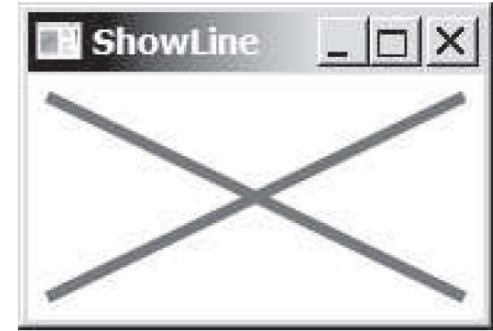
+Line()
+Line(startX: double, startY: double, endX: double, endY: double)
```

The x-coordinate of the start point.
The y-coordinate of the start point.
The x-coordinate of the end point.
The y-coordinate of the end point.

Creates an empty `Line`.

Creates a `Line` with the specified starting and ending points.

Line Example



(b) Two lines are displayed across the pane.

```
class LinePane extends Pane {  
    public LinePane() {  
        Line line1 = new Line(10, 10, 10, 10);  
        line1.endXProperty().bind(widthProperty().subtract(10));  
        line1.endYProperty().bind(heightProperty().subtract(10));  
        line1.setStrokeWidth(5);  
        line1.setStroke(Color.GREEN);  
        getChildren().add(line1);  
  
        Line line2 = new Line(10, 10, 10, 10);  
        line2.startXProperty().bind(widthProperty().subtract(10));  
        line2.endYProperty().bind(heightProperty().subtract(10));  
        line2.setStrokeWidth(5);  
        line2.setStroke(Color.GREEN);  
        getChildren().add(line2);  
    }  
}
```

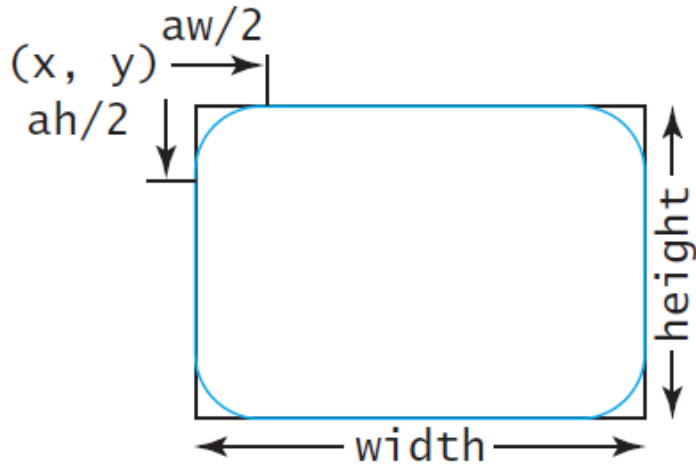


Rectangle

- A rectangle is defined by the parameters **x**, **y**, **width**, **height**, **arcWidth**, and **arcHeight**.
- The rectangle's upper-left corner point is at (x, y)
- Parameter **arcWidth** is the horizontal diameter of the arcs at the corner, and **arcHeight** is the vertical diameter of the arcs at the corner.
- In class **Rectangle**, the fill color is black and the stroke color is white by default.
- If the method **setFill(null)** of **Rectangle** is called, the rectangle is not filled with a color.



Rectangle



(a) `Rectangle(x, y, w, h)`

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`javafx.scene.shape.Rectangle`

-x: DoubleProperty
-y: DoubleProperty
-width: DoubleProperty
-height: DoubleProperty
-arcWidth: DoubleProperty
-arcHeight: DoubleProperty

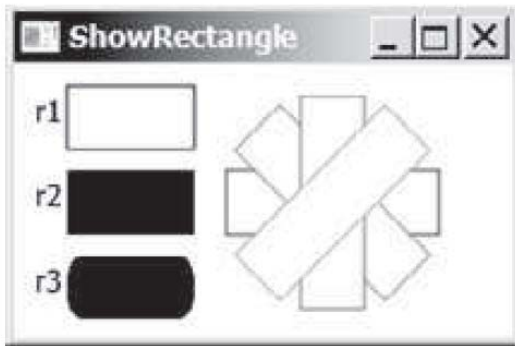
+Rectangle()
+Rectangle(x: double, y: double, width: double, height: double)

The x-coordinate of the upper-left corner of the rectangle (default 0).
The y-coordinate of the upper-left corner of the rectangle (default 0).
The width of the rectangle (default: 0).
The height of the rectangle (default: 0).
The arcWidth of the rectangle (default: 0). arcWidth is the horizontal diameter of the arcs at the corner (see Figure 14.31a).
The arcHeight of the rectangle (default: 0). arcHeight is the vertical diameter of the arcs at the corner (see Figure 14.31a).

Creates an empty `Rectangle`.

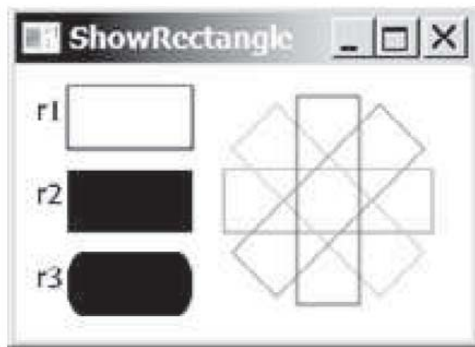
Creates a `Rectangle` with the specified upper-left corner point, width, and height.

Rectangle Example



(b) Multiple rectangles are displayed

`r.setFill(null);`



(c) Transparent rectangles are displayed

```
Pane pane = new Pane();
```

```
// Create rectangles and add to pane
```

```
Rectangle r1 = new Rectangle(25, 10, 60, 30);
r1.setStroke(Color.BLACK);
r1.setFill(Color.WHITE);
pane.getChildren().add(new Text(10, 27, "r1"));
pane.getChildren().add(r1);
```

```
Rectangle r2 = new Rectangle(25, 50, 60, 30);
pane.getChildren().add(new Text(10, 67, "r2"));
pane.getChildren().add(r2);
```

```
Rectangle r3 = new Rectangle(25, 90, 60, 30);
r3.setArcWidth(15);
r3.setArcHeight(25);
pane.getChildren().add(new Text(10, 107, "r3"));
pane.getChildren().add(r3);
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {
    Rectangle r = new Rectangle(100, 50, 100, 30);
    r.setRotate(i * 360 / 8);
    r.setStroke(Color.color(Math.random(), Math.random(),
        Math.random()));
    r.setFill(Color.WHITE);
    pane.getChildren().add(r);
}
```

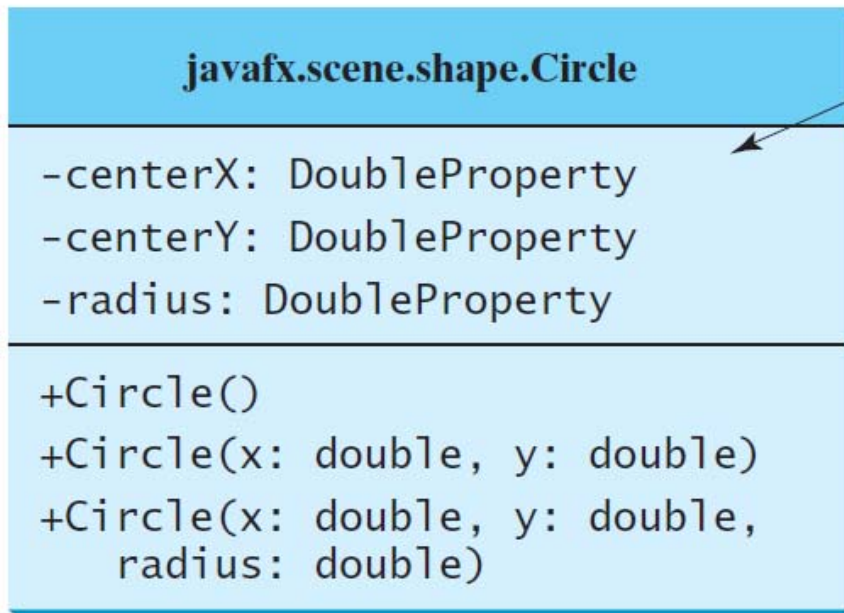
```
// Create a scene and place it in the stage
```

```
Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 250, 150);
primaryStage.setTitle("ShowRectangle"); // Set the stage title
primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage
primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage
```

```
}
}
```


Circle

A circle is defined by its parameters **centerX**, **centerY**, and **radius**.



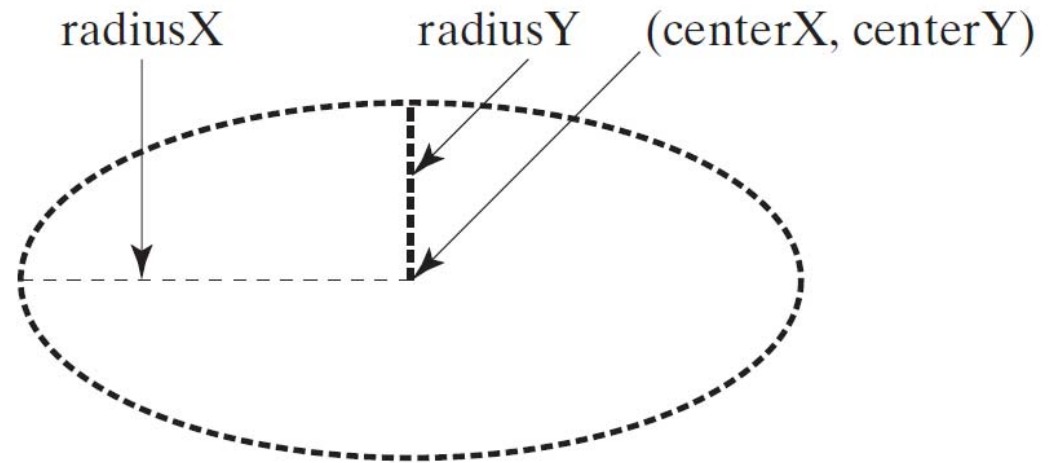
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The x-coordinate of the center of the circle (default 0).
The y-coordinate of the center of the circle (default 0).
The radius of the circle (default: 0).

Creates an empty `Circle`.
Creates a `Circle` with the specified center.
Creates a `Circle` with the specified center and radius.

Ellipse

An ellipse is defined by its parameters **centerX**, **centerY**, **radiusX**, and **radiusY**



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javafx.scene.shape.Ellipse

-centerX: DoubleProperty
-centerY: DoubleProperty
-radiusX: DoubleProperty
-radiusY: DoubleProperty

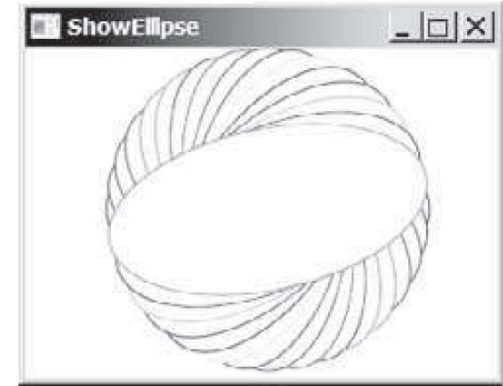
+Ellipse()
+Ellipse(x: double, y: double)
+Ellipse(x: double, y: double, radiusX: double, radiusY: double)

The x-coordinate of the center of the ellipse (default 0).
The y-coordinate of the center of the ellipse (default 0).
The horizontal radius of the ellipse (default: 0).
The vertical radius of the ellipse (default: 0).

Creates an empty `Ellipse`.
Creates an `Ellipse` with the specified center.
Creates an `Ellipse` with the specified center and radiuses.

Ellipse Example

```
public void start(Stage primaryStage) {  
    // Create a pane  
    Pane pane = new Pane();  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < 16; i++) {  
        // Create an ellipse and add it to pane  
        Ellipse e1 = new Ellipse(150, 100, 100, 50);  
        e1.setStroke(Color.color(Math.random(), Math.random(),  
            Math.random()));  
        e1.setFill(Color.WHITE);  
        e1.setRotate(i * 180 / 16);  
        pane.getChildren().add(e1);  
    }  
  
    // Create a scene and place it in the stage  
    Scene scene = new Scene(pane, 300, 200);  
    primaryStage.setTitle("ShowEllipse"); // Set the stage title  
    primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene in the stage  
    primaryStage.show(); // Display the stage  
}
```



(b) Multiple ellipses are displayed.