

Java Game Programming

2D Graphics, Java2D and Images

The pre-requisite knowledge needed to for game programming includes:

- OOP, in particular the concepts of inheritance and polymorphism for designing classes.
- GUI and custom graphics programming (`javax.swing`).
- Event-handling, in particular mouse-event and key-event handling (`java.awt.event`).
- Graphics programming using Java 2D (`java.awt.geom`).
- Playing sounds (`javax.sound`).
- Basic knowledge on I/O, multi-threading for starting the game thread, and timing control.
- Transformation, collision detection and reaction algorithms.

Advanced Knowledge:

- JOGL (Java Bindings to OpenGL), or Java3D for 3D graphics.
- JOAL (Java Bindings to OpenAL) for advanced sound.

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1. Revisit `java.awt.Graphics` for Custom Drawing

Read: "Custom Graphics" chapter.

The `java.awt.Graphics` class is used for custom painting. It manages the graphics context (such as color, font and clip area) and provides methods for rendering of three types of graphical objects:

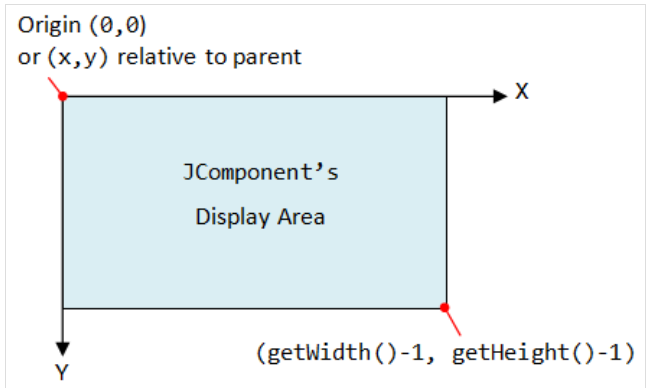
1. Texts: via `drawString()`.
2. Vector-graphic primitives and shapes: via `drawXxx()` and `fillXxx()` for `Line`, `PolyLine`, `Oval`, `Rect`, `RoundRect`, `3DRect`, and `Arc`.
3. Bitmap images: via `drawImage()`.

The `Graphics` class also allows you to get/set the attributes of the graphics context:

- Font (`setFont()`, `getFont()`)
- Color (`setColor()`, `getColor()`)
- Display clipping area (`getClip()`, `getClipBounds()`, `setClip()`)

It is important to take note that the graphics co-ordinates system is "inverted", as illustrated.

The `java.awt.Graphics` class is, however, limited in its functions and capabilities. It supports mainly straight-line segments. `java.awt.Graphics2D` (of the Java 2D API) greatly extends the functions and capabilities of the `Graphics` class.



1.1 Template for Custom Drawing

```

1  import java.awt.*;
2  import java.awt.event.*;
3  import javax.swing.*;
4
5  // Swing Program Template
6  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
7  public class SwingTemplateJPanel extends JPanel {
8      // Name-constants
9      public static final int CANVAS_WIDTH = 640;
10     public static final int CANVAS_HEIGHT = 480;
11     public static final String TITLE = "...Title...";
12     // .....
13
14     // private variables of GUI components
15     // .....
16
17     /** Constructor to setup the GUI components */
18     public SwingTemplateJPanel() {
19         setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CANVAS_WIDTH, CANVAS_HEIGHT));
20         // "this" JPanel container sets layout

```

```

21         // setLayout(new ....Layout());
22
23         // Allocate the UI components
24         // .....
25
26         // "this" JPanel adds components
27         // add(....)
28
29         // Source object adds listener
30         // .....
31     }
32
33     /** Custom painting codes on this JPanel */
34     @Override
35     public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
36         super.paintComponent(g); // paint background
37         setBackground(Color.BLACK);
38
39         // Your custom painting codes
40         // .....
41     }
42
43     /** The entry main() method */
44     public static void main(String[] args) {
45         // Run GUI codes in the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
46         SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
47             public void run() {
48                 JFrame frame = new JFrame(TITLE);
49                 frame.setContentPane(new SwingTemplateJPanel());
50                 frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
51                 frame.pack(); // "this" JFrame packs its components
52                 frame.setLocationRelativeTo(null); // center the application window
53                 frame.setVisible(true); // show it
54             }
55         });
56     }
57 }

```

Dissecting the Program

- The custom drawing is done by extending a `JPanel` and overrides the `paintComponent()` method.
- The size of the drawing panel is set via the `setPreferredSize()`.
- The `JFrame` does not set its size, but packs its components by invoking `pack()`.
- In the `main()`, the GUI construction is carried out in the event-dispatch thread to ensure thread-safety.

You can run the above class as an applet, by providing a main applet class:

```

1  import javax.swing.*;
2
3  /** Swing Program Template for running as Applet */
4  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
5  public class SwingTemplateApplet extends JApplet {
6
7      /** init() to setup the UI components */
8      @Override
9      public void init() {
10         // Run GUI codes in the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
11         try {
12             SwingUtilities.invokeAndWait(new Runnable() { // Applet uses invokeAndWait()
13                 @Override
14                 public void run() {
15                     // Set the content-pane of the JApplet to an instance of main JPanel
16                     setContentPane(new SwingTemplateJPanel());
17                 }
18             });
19         } catch (Exception e) {
20             e.printStackTrace();
21         }
22     }
23 }

```

2. Java 2D API & Graphics2D

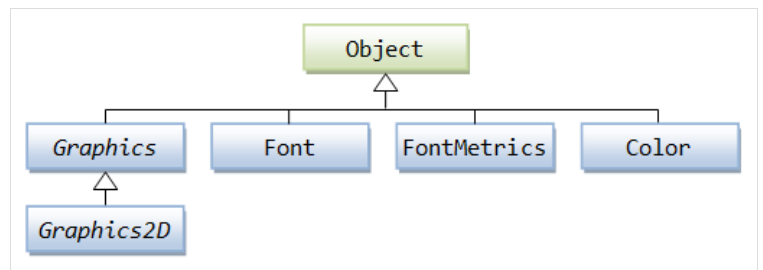
Reference: Java Tutorial's "2D Graphics" @ <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/2d/TOC.html>.

Java AWT API has been around since JDK 1.1. Java 2D API is part of Java Foundation Class (JFC), similar to Swing, and was introduced in JDK 1.2. It provides more capabilities for graphics programming. Java 2D spans many packages: `java.awt`, `java.awt.image`, `java.awt.color`, `java.awt.font`, `java.awt.geom`, `java.awt.print`, and `java.awt.image.renderable`.

2.1 java.awt.Graphics2D

The core class in Java2D is the `java.awt.Graphics2D`. `Graphics2D` is a subclass of `java.awt.Graphics`, which extends the support of the legacy `Graphics` class in rendering three groups of objects: text, vector-graphics and bitmap images. It also supports more attributes that affect the rendering, e.g.,

- Transform attribute (translation, rotation, scaling and shearing).
- Pen attribute (outline of a shape) and Stroke attribute (point-size, dashing-pattern, end-cap and join decorations).
- Fill attribute (interior of a shape) and Paint attribute (fill shapes with solid colors, gradients, and patterns).
- Composite attribute (for overlapping shapes).
- Clip attribute (display area).
- Font attribute.



Graphics2D is designed as a subclass of Graphics. To use Graphics2D

context, *downcast* the Graphics handle *g* to Graphics2D in painting methods such as `paintComponent()`. This works because the graphics subsystem in fact passes a Graphics2D object as the argument when calling back the painting methods. For example,

```

@Override
public void paintComponent(Graphics g) { // graphics subsystem passes a Graphics2D subclass object as argument
    super.paintComponent(g);           // paint parent's background
    Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;   // downcast the Graphics object back to Graphics2D
    // Perform custom drawing using g2d handle
    .....
}

```

Besides the `drawXxx()` and `fillXxx()`, Graphics2D provides more general drawing methods which operates on Shape interface.

```

public abstract void draw(Shape s)
public abstract void fill(Shape s)
public abstract void clip(Shape s)

```

2.2 Affine Transform (java.awt.geom.AffineTransform)

Transform is key in game programming and animation!

An *affine transform* is a linear transform such as *translation*, *rotation*, *scaling*, or *shearing* in which a straight line remains straight and parallel lines remain parallel after the transformation. It can be represented using the following 3x3 matrix operation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m00 & m01 & m02 \\ m10 & m11 & m12 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m00x + m01y + m02 \\ m10x + m11y + m12 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Affine transform is supported via the `java.awt.geom.AffineTransform` class. The Graphics2D context maintains an AffineTransform attribute, and provides methods to change the transform attributes:

```

// in class java.awt.Graphics2D
public abstract void setTransform(AffineTransform at); // overwrites the current Transform in the Graphics2D context
public abstract void translate(double tx, double ty); // concatenates the current Transform with a translation transform
public abstract void rotate(double theta); // concatenates the current Transform with a rotation transform
public abstract void scale(double scaleX, double scaleY); // concatenates the current Transform with a scaling transform
public abstract void shear(double shearX, double shearY); // concatenates the current Transform with a shearing transform

```

Example

```

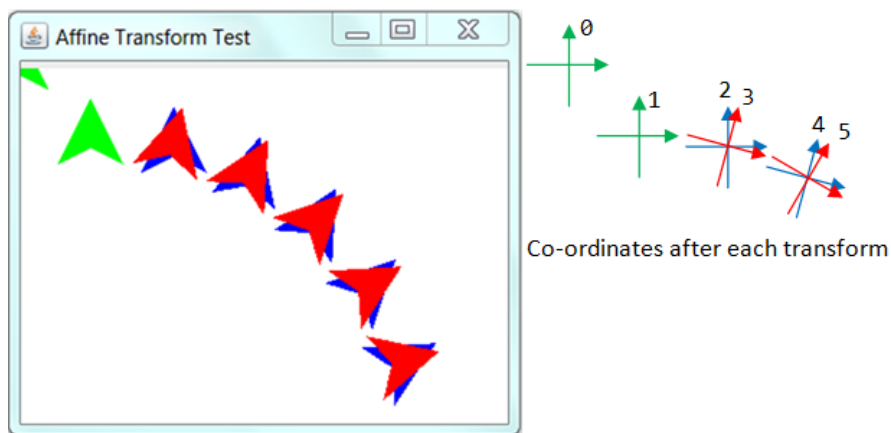
1  import java.awt.*;
2  import java.awt.geom.AffineTransform;
3  import javax.swing.*;
4
5  /** Test applying affine transform on vector graphics */
6  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
7  public class AffineTransformDemo extends JPanel {
8      // Named-constants for dimensions
9      public static final int CANVAS_WIDTH = 640;
10     public static final int CANVAS_HEIGHT = 480;
11     public static final String TITLE = "Affine Transform Demo";
12
13     // Define an arrow shape using a polygon centered at (0, 0)
14     int[] polygonXs = { -20, 0, +20, 0 };
15     int[] polygonYs = { 20, 10, 20, -20 };
16     Shape shape = new Polygon(polygonXs, polygonYs, polygonXs.length);
17     double x = 50.0, y = 50.0; // (x, y) position of this Shape
18
19     /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
20     public AffineTransformDemo() {
21         setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CANVAS_WIDTH, CANVAS_HEIGHT));
22     }
23
24     /** Custom painting codes on this JPanel */
25     @Override
26     public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
27         super.paintComponent(g); // paint background
28         setBackground(Color.WHITE);
29         Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D)g;
30
31         // Save the current transform of the graphics contexts.
32         AffineTransform saveTransform = g2d.getTransform();
33         // Create a identity affine transform, and apply to the Graphics2D context

```

```

34     AffineTransform identity = new AffineTransform();
35     g2d.setTransform(identity);
36
37     // Paint Shape (with identity transform), centered at (0, 0) as defined.
38     g2d.setColor(Color.GREEN);
39     g2d.fill(shape);
40     // Translate to the initial (x, y) position, scale, and paint
41     g2d.translate(x, y);
42     g2d.scale(1.2, 1.2);
43     g2d.fill(shape);
44
45     // Try more transforms
46     for (int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
47         g2d.translate(50.0, 5.0); // translates by (50, 5)
48         g2d.setColor(Color.BLUE);
49         g2d.fill(shape);
50         g2d.rotate(Math.toRadians(15.0)); // rotates about transformed origin
51         g2d.setColor(Color.RED);
52         g2d.fill(shape);
53     }
54     // Restore original transform before returning
55     g2d.setTransform(saveTransform);
56 }
57
58 /** The Entry main method */
59 public static void main(String[] args) {
60     // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
61     SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
62         @Override
63         public void run() {
64             JFrame frame = new JFrame(TITLE);
65             frame.setContentPane(new AffineTransformDemo());
66             frame.pack();
67             frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
68             frame.setLocationRelativeTo(null); // center the application window
69             frame.setVisible(true);
70         }
71     });
72 }
73 }

```



These are the steps for carrying out affine transform with a Graphics2D context:

1. Override the `paintComponent(Graphics)` method of the custom drawing JPanel. Downcast the Graphics object into Graphics2D.

```

@Override
public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
    Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;
    .....
}

```

2. Prepare a Shape (such as Polygon, Rectangle2D, Rectangle). The original shape shall center at (0, 0) to simplify rotation.
3. Save the current transform associated with this Graphics2D context, and restore the saved transform before exiting the method.

```

AffineTransform saveTransform = g2d.getTransform(); // save
....
g2d.setTransform(saveTransform); // restore

```

4. Allocate a new AffineTransform. Initialize to the default *identity* transform. Apply it to the current Graphics2D context. You can then use the Graphics2D context to perform translation, rotation, scaling and shearing.

```

AffineTransform identity = new AffineTransform(); // an identity transform
g2d.setTransform(identity); // overwrites the transform associated with this Graphics2D context
g2d.translate(x, y); // translates from (0, 0) to the current (x, y) position
g2d.scale(scaleX, scaleY); // scaling
g2d.rotate(angle); // rotation clockwise about (0, 0), by angle (in radians)
g2d.shear(shearX, shearY); // shearing

```

Take note that successive transforms are *concatenated*, until it is reset (to the identity transform) or overwritten.

In the above example, the `Polygon`, which is originally centered at (0, 0) (shown in green), is first translated to (50, 50) and scaled up by 1.2 (in green). A loop of 5-iterations is applied to translate by (50, 5) (in blue) and rotate by 15 degrees about (0, 0) (in red). Observe that after each transform, the *axes* and *origin* are transformed accordingly. This is especially noticeable for rotation, as the axes are no longer parallel and perpendicular to the screen and its origin is shifted as well. The origin of the axes is set to (0, 0) by the identity transform.

Rotation

The result of rotation depends on the angle rotated, as well as its rotation center. Two methods are provided:

```
public abstract void rotate(theta);
public abstract void rotate(theta, anchorX, anchorY)
```

The first method rotates about the origin (0, 0), while the second method rotate about (anchorX, anchorY), without affecting the origin after the rotation. Take note that after each rotation, the coordinates is rotated as well. Rotation can be made simpler, by center the shape at (0, 0) as shown in the above example.

2.3 Geometric Primitives and Shapes

Java 2D's primitives include:

- `point` (`Point2D`)
- `line` (`Line2D`)
- `rectangular shapes` (`Rectangle2D`, `RoundRectangle2D`, `Ellipse2D`, `Arc2D`, `Dimension2D`)
- `quadratic and cubic curves with control points` (`QuadCurve2D`, `CubicCurve2D`)
- `arbitrary shapes` (`Path2D`).

[TODO] Class diagram

The `Xxx2D` classes have two nested `public static` subclasses `Xxx2D.Double` and `Xxx2D.Float` to support double- and float-precision. High-quality 2D rendering (e.g., rotation, shearing, curve segments) cannot be preformed in `int` (even though eventually it will be converted to integral screen-pixel values for display). Hence, double and float subclasses are introduced in Java 2D for better accuracy and smoothness. The earlier `int`-precision classes, such as `Point` and `Rectangle` are retrofitted as a subclass of `Point2D` and `Rectangle2D`.

The `Xxx2D`, `Xxx2D.Double` and `Xxx2D.Float` are kept in package `java.awt.geom` package.

GeneralPath

The `java.awt.geom.GeneralPath` class represents a geometric path constructed from straight lines, quadratic and cubic curves. For example,

```
int[] x = { -20, 0, 20, 0};
int[] y = { 20, 10, 20, -20};
GeneralPath p = new GeneralPath();
p.moveTo(x[0], y[0]);
for (int i = 1; i < x.length; ++i) {
    p.lineTo(x[i], y[i]);
}
p.closePath();
g2d.translate(350, 250);
g2d.draw(p);
```

2.4 Point2D and its Subclasses Point, Point2D.Double and Point2D.Float (Advanced)

Reference: Source codes of `java.awt.geom.Point2D` and `java.awt.Point`.

As an example, let's examine `Point2D` abstract superclass and its subclasses more closely.

`java.awt.geom.Point2D`

`Point2D` is an abstract class that cannot be instantiated. It declares the following abstract methods:

```
abstract public double getX();
abstract public double getY();
abstract public void setLocation(double x, double y);
```

It also defines and implemented some `static` methods and member methods. (Hence, it is designed as an abstract class, instead of interface.)

```
// static methods
public static double distance(double x1, double y1, double x2, double y2)
public static double distanceSq(double x1, double y1, double x2, double y2)
// instance (non-static) methods
public double distance(double x, double y)
public double distanceSq(double x, double y)
public double distance(Point2D p)
public double distanceSq(Point2D p)
.....
```

`Point2D` does not define any instance variable, in particular, the `x` and `y` location of the point. This is because it is not sure about the type of `x` and `y` (which could be `int`, `float` or `double`). The instance variables, therefore, are left to the implementation subclasses. Three subclasses were implemented for types of `int`, `float` and `double`, respectively.

Subclasses `java.awt.Point`, `java.awt.geom.Point2D.Double` and `java.awt.geom.Point2D.Float`

How to design these subclasses?

`java.awt.Point` is the subclass for `int`-precision. It declares instance variables `x` and `y` as `int`, provides implementation to the abstract methods declared in the superclass, and provides some additional methods.

```
package java.awt;

public class Point extends Point2D {
    // Instance variables (x, y) of type int
    public int x;
    public int y;
    // Constructor
    public Point(int x, int y) { this.x = x; this.y = y; }
    // Provide implementation to the abstract methods declared in the superclass
    public double getX() { return x; }
    public double getY() { return y; }
    public void setLocation(double x, double y) {
        this.x = (int)Math.floor(x + 0.5);
        this.y = (int)Math.floor(y + 0.5);
    }
    // Other methods
    .....
}
```

`Point` (of `int`-precision) is a straight-forward implementation of inheritance and polymorphism. `Point` is a legacy class (since JDK 1.1) and retrofitted when Java 2D was introduced. For higher-quality and smoother graphics (e.g., rotation), `int`-precision is insufficient. Java 2D, hence, introduced `float`-precision and `double`-precision points.

`Point2D.Double` (for `double`-precision point) and `Point2D.Float` (for `float`-precision point) are, however, implemented as nested `public static` subclasses inside the `Point2D` outer class.

Recall that nested class (or inner class) can be used for:

1. Simplifying access control: inner class can access the `private` variables of the enclosing outer class, as they are at the same level.
2. Keeping codes together and namespace management.

In this case, it is used for namespace management, as there is no access-control involved.

```
package java.awt.geom;

abstract public class Point2D { // outer class

    public static class Double extend Point2D { // public static nested class and subclass
        public double x;
        public double y;
        // Constructor
        public Double(double x, double y) { this.x = x; this.y = y; }
        // Provides implementation to the abstract methods
        public double getX() { return x; }
        public double getY() { return y; }
        public void setLocation(double x, double y) {
            this.x = x;
            this.y = y;
        }
        // Other methods
        .....
    }

    public static class Float extend Point2D { // public static nested class and subclass
        public float x;
        public float y;
        // Constructor
        public Float(float x, float y) { this.x = x; this.y = y; }
        // Provide implementation to the abstract methods
        public double getX() { return x; }
        public double getY() { return y; }
        public void setLocation(double x, double y) {
            this.x = (float)x;
            this.y = (float)y;
        }
        // Other methods
        .....
    }

    // Definition for the outer class
    abstract public double getX();
    abstract public double getY();
    abstract public void setLocation(double x, double y);
    .....
}
```

`Double` and `Float` are `static`. In other words, they can be referenced via the classname as `Point2D.Double` and `Point2D.Float`, and used directly without instantiating the outer class, just like any `static` variable or method (e.g., `Math.PI`, `Math.sqrt()`, `Integer.parseInt()`). They are subclasses of `Point2D`, and thus can be upcast to `Point2D`.

```
Point2D.Double p1 = new Point2D.Double(1.1, 2.2);
Point2D.Float p2 = new Point2D.Float(3.3f, 4.4f);
Point p3 = new Point(5, 6);
// You can upcast subclasses Point2D.Double, Point2D.Float and Point to superclass Point2D.
```

```
Point2D p4 = new Point2D.Double(1.1, 2.2);
Point2D p5 = new Point2D.Float(3.3f, 4.4f);
Point2D p6 = new Point(5, 6);
```

In summary, you can treat `Point2D.Double` and `Point2D.Float` as *ordinary* classes with a slightly longer name. They were designed as nested class for namespace management, instead of calling them `Point2DDouble` and `Point2DFloat`.

Note: These classes were designed before JDK 1.5, which introduces generic to support passing of type.

2.5 Interface `java.awt.Shape`

Almost all the Xxx2D classes (except `Point2D`) implements `java.awt.Shape` interface. It can be used as argument in `Graphics2D`'s `draw(Shape)` and `fill(Shape)` methods.

The `Shape` interface declares abstract methods `contains()` and `intersects()`, which are useful in game programming for collision detection:

```
// Is this point within this Shape's bounds?
boolean contains(double x, double y)
boolean contains(Point2D p)
// Is this rectangle within this Shape's bounds?
boolean contains(double x, double y, double width, double height)
boolean contains(Rectangle2D rect)
// Does the interior of the given bounding rectangle intersect with this shape?
boolean intersects(double x, double y, double width, double height)
boolean intersects(Rectangle2D rect)
```

The `Shape` interface also declares methods to return the bounding rectangle of this shape (again, useful in collision detection).

```
Rectangle getBounds()           // int-precision
Rectangle2D getBounds2D()       // higher precision version
```

The `Shape` interface declares a method called `getPathIterator()` to retrieve a `PathIterator` object that can be used to iterate along the `Shape` boundary.

```
PathIterator getPathIterator(AffineTransform at)
PathIterator getPathIterator(AffineTransform at, double flatness)
```

The popular legacy `java.awt.Polygon` class was retrofitted to implement `Shape` interface. However, there is no `Polygon2D` in Java 2D, which can be served by a more generic `Path2D`.

[TODO] Example

2.6 Stroke, Paint and Composite Attributes

Pen's Stroke

The `Graphics2D`'s stroke attribute control the pen-stroke used for the outline of a shape. It is set via the `Graphics2D`'s `setStroke()`. A `Stroke` object implements `java.awt.Stroke` interface. Java 2D provides a built-in `java.awt.BasicStroke`.

```
public BasicStroke(float width, int cap, int join, float miterlimit, float[] dash, float dash_phase)
// All parameters are optional
// width: width of the pen stroke
// cap: the decoration of the ends, CAP_ROUND, CAP_SQUARE or CAP_BUTT.
// join: the decoration where two segments meet, JOIN_ROUND, JOIN_MITER, or JOIN_BEVEL
// miterlimit: the limit to trim the miter join.
// dash: the array representing the dashing pattern.
// dash_phase: the offset to start the dashing pattern
```

For example,

```
g2d.setStroke(new BasicStroke(10, BasicStroke.CAP_ROUND, BasicStroke.JOIN_ROUND));
g2d.setColor(Color.CYAN);
g2d.draw(new Rectangle2D.Double(300, 50, 200, 100));

// Test dash-stroke
float[] dashPattern = {20, 5, 10, 5}; // dash, space, dash, space
g2d.setStroke(new BasicStroke(5, BasicStroke.CAP_BUTT, BasicStroke.JOIN_ROUND,
    10, dashPattern, 0));
g2d.setColor(Color.CYAN);
g2d.draw(new Rectangle2D.Double(50, 200, 200, 100));
```

Paint

The `Graphics2D`'s paint attribute determines the color used to render the shape. It is set via the `Graphics2D`'s `setPaint()` method. A `Paint` object implements the `java.awt.Paint` interface. Java 2D provides many built-in `Paint` objects such as `GradientPaint`, `LinearGradientPaint`, `RadialGradientPaint`, `MultipleGradientPaint`, `TexturePaint`, and others.

For example,

```
g2d.setPaint(new GradientPaint(50, 80, Color.RED, 250, 180, Color.GREEN));
// set current paint context to a GradientPaint, from (x1, y1) with color1 to (x2, y2) with color2
g2d.fill(new Rectangle2D.Double(50, 80, 200, 100));
// fill the Shap with the current paint context
```

Composite

[TODO] How to compose the drawing of primitive with the underlying graphics area.

3. Working with Bitmap Images

Reference: Java Tutorial's "2D Graphics" Section "Working with Images" @ <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/2d/images/index.html>

A bitmap image is a 2D rectangular array of *pixels*. Each pixel has a *color* value (typically in RGB or RGBA). The dimension of the image is represented by its *width* and *length* in pixels. In Java, the origin (0, 0) of an image is positioned at the top-left corner, like all other components.

Most of the image display and processing methods work on `java.awt.Image`. `Image` is an abstract class that represent an image as a rectangular array of pixels. The most commonly-used implementation subclass is `java.awt.image.BufferedImage`, which stores the pixels in memory buffer so that they can be directly accessed. A `BufferedImage` comprises a `ColorModel` and a `Raster` of pixels. The `ColorModel` provides a color interpretation of the image's pixel data.

An `Image` object (and subclass `BufferedImage`) can be rendered onto a `JComponent` (such as `JPanel`) via `Graphics`' (or `Graphics2D`) `drawImage()` method.

`Image` is typically read in from an external image file into a `BufferedImage` (although you can create a `BufferedImage` based on algorithm). Image file formats supported by JDK include:

- GIF
- PNG (Portable Network Graphics)
- JPEG
- BMP

`BufferedImage` supports image filtering operations (such as convolution). The resultant image can be painted on the screen, sent to printer, or save to an external file.

Transparent vs. Opaque Background

PNG and GIF supports transparent background. JPEG does not. PNG and GIF are palette-based. They maintain a list of palettes and map each palette number to a RGB color value. Every image pixel is then labeled with a palette number, which is then mapped to the actual RGB values. One of the palette number can be designated as *transparent*. Pixels with this transparent palette value will not be displayed. Instead, the background of the image is displayed.

3.1 Loading Images

There are several ways to create an `Image` for use in your program.

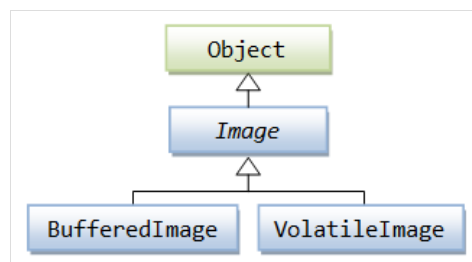
Using `ImageIO.read()` (JDK 1.4)

The easiest way to load an image into your program is to use the static method `ImageIO.read()` of the `javax.imageio.ImageIO` class, which returns a `java.awt.image.BufferedImage`. Similar, you can use `ImageIO.write()` to write an image.

```
public static BufferedImage read(URL imagePath) throws IOException
public static BufferedImage read(File imagePath) throws IOException
public static BufferedImage read(InputStream stream) throws IOException
public static BufferedImage read(ImageInputStream stream) throws IOException
```

Instead of using `java.io.File` class to handle a disk file, it is better to use `java.net.URL`. `URL` is more flexible and can handle files from more sources, such as disk file and JAR file (used for distributing your program). It works on application as well as applet. For example,

```
1  import java.awt.*;
2  import java.io.IOException;
3  import java.net.URL;
4  import javax.imageio.ImageIO;
5  import javax.swing.*;
6
7  /** Test loading an external image into a BufferedImage using ImageIO.read() */
8  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
9  public class LoadImageDemo extends JPanel {
10     // Named-constants
11     public static final int CANVAS_WIDTH = 640;
12     public static final int CANVAS_HEIGHT = 480;
13     public static final String TITLE = "Load Image Demo";
14
15     private String imgFileName = "images/duke.gif"; // relative to project root (or bin)
16     private Image img; // a BufferedImage object
17
18     /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
19     public LoadImageDemo() {
20         // Load an external image via URL
21         URL imgUrl = getClass().getClassLoader().getResource(imgFileName);
22         if (imgUrl == null) {
23             System.err.println("Couldn't find file: " + imgFileName);
24         } else {
```




```

25         try {
26             img = ImageIO.read(imgUrl);
27         } catch (IOException ex) {
28             ex.printStackTrace();
29         }
30     }
31
32     setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CANVAS_WIDTH, CANVAS_HEIGHT));
33 }
34
35 /** Custom painting codes on this JPanel */
36 @Override
37 public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
38     super.paintComponent(g);    // paint background
39     setBackground(Color.WHITE);
40     g.drawImage(img, 50, 50, null);
41 }
42
43 /** The Entry main method */
44 public static void main(String[] args) {
45     // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
46     SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
47         @Override
48         public void run() {
49             JFrame frame = new JFrame("Load Image Demo");
50             frame.setContentPane(new LoadImageDemo());
51             frame.pack();
52             frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
53             frame.setVisible(true);
54         }
55     });
56 }
57 }

```

Using Toolkit's getImage()

```

// In java.awt.Toolkit
public abstract Image getImage(URL url)
public abstract Image getImage(String filename)

```

For example,

```

import java.awt.Toolkit;
.....
Toolkit tk = Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit();
Image img = tk.getImage("images/duke.gif");

```

Via ImageIcon's getImage()

ImageIcon is used to decorate JComponents (such as JLabel and JButton). Construct an ImageIcon and get an Image via ImageIcon's getImage(). For example,

```

ImageIcon icon = null;
String imgFilename = "images/duke.gif";
java.net.URL imgURL = getClass().getClassLoader().getResource(imgFilename);
if (imgURL != null) {
    icon = new ImageIcon(imgURL);
} else {
    System.err.println("Couldn't find file: " + imgFilename);
}
Image img = icon.getImage();

```

On the other hand, you can also construct an ImageIcon from an Image object via constructor:

```

public ImageIcon(Image image)    // Construct an ImageIcon from the Image object

```

[TODO] Benchmark these methods for small and large images.

3.2 drawImage()

The java.awt.Graphics class declares 6 versions of drawImage() for drawing bitmap images. The subclass java.awt.Graphics2D adds a few more.

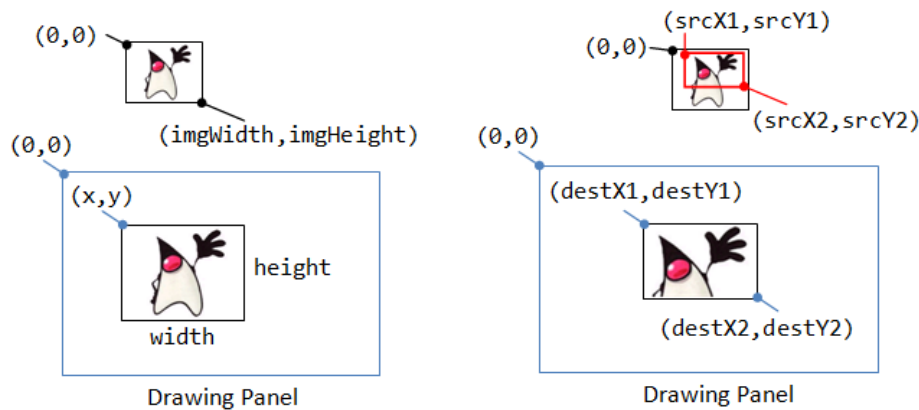
```

// In class java.awt.Graphics
public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, int x, int y, ImageObserver observer)
public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, int x, int y, int width, int height, ImageObserver observer)
public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, int x, int y, Color bgcolor, ImageObserver observer)
public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, int x, int y, int width, int height, Color bgcolor, ImageObserver observer)
    // The img is drawn with its top-left corner at (x, y) scaled to the specified width and height
    // (default to the image's width and height).
    // The bgcolor (background color) is used for "transparent" pixels.

public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, int destX1, int destY1, int destX2, int destY2,
    int srcX1, int srcY1, int srcX2, int srcY2, ImageObserver observer)
public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, int destX1, int destY1, int destX2, int destY2,
    int srcX1, int srcY1, int srcX2, int srcY2, Color bgcolor, ImageObserver observer)
    // The img "clip" bounded by (srcX1, srcY2) and (srcX2, srcY2) is scaled and drawn from

```

```
// (destX1, destY1) to (destX2, destY2).
```



The coordinates involved is shown in the above diagram. The `ImageObserver` receives notification about the `Image` as it is loaded. In most purposes, you can set it to null, or the custom drawing `JPanel` (via this). The `ImageObserver` is not needed for `BufferedImage`, and shall be set to null.

Graphics2D's drawImage()

Graphics2D supports affine transform and image filtering operations on images, as follows:

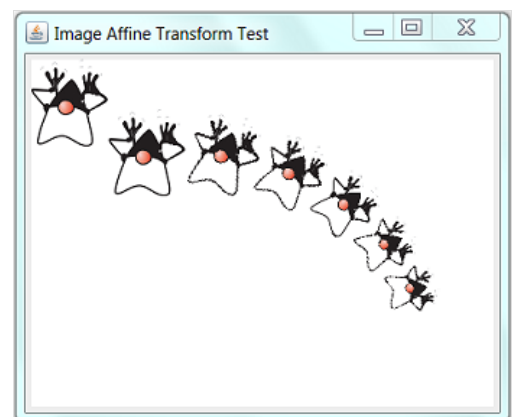
```
// In class java.awt.Graphics2D
public abstract boolean drawImage(Image img, AffineTransform xform, ImageObserver obs)
    // Apply the specified AffineTransform to the image
public abstract void drawImage(BufferedImage img, BufferedImageOp op, int x, int y)
    // Apply the specified image filtering operation to the image

public abstract void drawRenderedImage(RenderedImage img, AffineTransform xform)
public abstract void drawRenderableImage(RenderableImage img, AffineTransform xform)
```

3.3 Image Affine Transforms

Java 2D's affine transform works on bitmap image as well as vector graphics. However, instead of manipulating the `Graphics2D`'s current transform context (which operates on vector-graphics only via rendering methods `drawXXX()` and `fillXXX()`), you need to allocate an `AffineTransform` object to perform transformation on images.

Code Example



```
1 import java.awt.geom.AffineTransform;
2 import javax.imageio.ImageIO;
3 import java.net.URL;
4 import java.awt.*;
5 import javax.swing.*;
6 import java.io.*;
7
8 /** Test applying affine transform on images */
9 @SuppressWarnings("serial")
10 public class ImageTransformDemo extends JPanel {
11     // Named-constants for dimensions
12     public static final int CANVAS_WIDTH = 640;
13     public static final int CANVAS_HEIGHT = 480;
14     public static final String TITLE = "Image Transform Demo";
15
16     // Image
17     private String imgFileName = "images/duke.png"; // relative to project root or bin
18     private Image img;
19     private int imgWidth, imgHeight; // width and height of the image
20     private double x = 100.0, y = 80.0; // center (x, y), with initial value
21
22     /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
23     public ImageTransformDemo() {
24         // URL can read from disk file and JAR file
25         URL url = getClass().getClassLoader().getResource(imgFileName);
26         if (url == null) {
27             System.err.println("Couldn't find file: " + imgFileName);
28         } else {
29             try {
30                 img = ImageIO.read(url);
```

```

31         imgWidth = img.getWidth(this);
32         imgHeight = img.getHeight(this);
33     } catch (IOException ex) {
34         ex.printStackTrace();
35     }
36 }
37
38 this.setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CANVAS_WIDTH, CANVAS_HEIGHT));
39 }
40
41 /** Custom painting codes on this JPanel */
42 @Override
43 public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
44     super.paintComponent(g);    // paint background
45     setBackground(Color.WHITE);
46
47     Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;
48     g2d.drawImage(img, 0, 0, this);    // Display with top-left corner at (0, 0)
49
50     // drawImage() does not use the current transform of the Graphics2D context
51     // Need to create a AffineTransform and pass into drawImage()
52     AffineTransform transform = new AffineTransform();    // identity transform
53     // Display the image with its center at the initial (x, y)
54     transform.translate(x - imgWidth/2, y - imgHeight/2);
55     g2d.drawImage(img, transform, this);
56     // Try applying more transform to this image
57     for (int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
58         transform.translate(70.0, 5.0);
59         transform.rotate(Math.toRadians(15), imgWidth/2, imgHeight/2);    // about its center
60         transform.scale(0.9, 0.9);
61         g2d.drawImage(img, transform, this);
62     }
63 }
64
65 /** The Entry main method */
66 public static void main(String[] args) {
67     // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
68     SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
69         @Override
70         public void run() {
71             JFrame frame = new JFrame(TITLE);
72             frame.setContentPane(new ImageTransformDemo());
73             frame.pack();
74             frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
75             frame.setLocationRelativeTo(null);    // center the application window
76             frame.setVisible(true);
77         }
78     });
79 }
80 }

```

3.4 Image Filtering Operations

Graphics2D supports image filtering operations via the following `drawImage()` method:

```

public abstract void drawImage(BufferedImage img, BufferedImageOp op, int x, int y)
    // Apply the specified image filtering operation to the image

```

Many built-in image filtering operations are available in `java.awt.image` package.

[TODO] more and example

3.5 Animating Image Frames

There are two ways to organize animated image frames:

1. Keep each of the frames in its own file.
2. Keep all of the frames in a stripe (1D or 2D) in a single file for better organization and faster loading.

Code Example 1: Each Frame in its Own File

Three image frames (in its own file) was used in this example, as follow:



In a typical game, the actor has a `(x, y)` position, move at a certain `speed` (in pixels per move-step) and `direction` (in degrees), and may rotate at a `rotationSpeed` (in degrees per move-step).

```

1 import java.awt.geom.AffineTransform;
2 import javax.imageio.ImageIO;
3 import java.net.URL;
4 import java.awt.*;
5 import javax.swing.*;
6 import java.io.*;
7

```

```

8  /** Animating image frames. Each frame has its own file */
9  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
10 public class AnimatedFramesDemo extends JPanel {
11     // Named-constants
12     static final int CANVAS_WIDTH = 640;
13     static final int CANVAS_HEIGHT = 480;
14     public static final String TITLE = "Animated Frame Demo";
15
16     private String[] imgFileNames = {
17         "images/pacman_1.png", "images/pacman_2.png", "images/pacman_3.png"};
18     private Image[] imgFrames; // array of Images to be animated
19     private int currentFrame = 0; // current frame number
20     private int frameRate = 5; // frame rate in frames per second
21     private int imgWidth, imgHeight; // width and height of the image
22     private double x = 100.0, y = 80.0; // (x,y) of the center of image
23     private double speed = 8; // displacement in pixels per move
24     private double direction = 0; // in degrees
25     private double rotationSpeed = 1; // in degrees per move
26
27     // Used to carry out the affine transform on images
28     private AffineTransform transform = new AffineTransform();
29
30     /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
31     public AnimatedFramesDemo() {
32         // Setup animation
33         loadImages(imgFileNames);
34         Thread animationThread = new Thread () {
35             @Override
36             public void run() {
37                 while (true) {
38                     update(); // update the position and image
39                     repaint(); // Refresh the display
40                     try {
41                         Thread.sleep(1000 / frameRate); // delay and yield to other threads
42                     } catch (InterruptedException ex) { }
43                 }
44             }
45         };
46         animationThread.start(); // start the thread to run animation
47
48         // Setup GUI
49         setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CANVAS_WIDTH, CANVAS_HEIGHT));
50     }
51
52     /** Helper method to load all image frames, with the same height and width */
53     private void loadImages(String[] imgFileNames) {
54         int numFrames = imgFileNames.length;
55         imgFrames = new Image[numFrames]; // allocate the array
56         URL imgUrl = null;
57         for (int i = 0; i < numFrames; ++i) {
58             imgUrl = getClass().getClassLoader().getResource(imgFileNames[i]);
59             if (imgUrl == null) {
60                 System.err.println("Couldn't find file: " + imgFileNames[i]);
61             } else {
62                 try {
63                     imgFrames[i] = ImageIO.read(imgUrl); // load image via URL
64                 } catch (IOException ex) {
65                     ex.printStackTrace();
66                 }
67             }
68         }
69         imgWidth = imgFrames[0].getWidth(null);
70         imgHeight = imgFrames[0].getHeight(null);
71     }
72
73     /** Update the position based on speed and direction of the sprite */
74     public void update() {
75         x += speed * Math.cos(Math.toRadians(direction)); // x-position
76         if (x >= CANVAS_WIDTH) {
77             x -= CANVAS_WIDTH;
78         } else if (x < 0) {
79             x += CANVAS_WIDTH;
80         }
81         y += speed * Math.sin(Math.toRadians(direction)); // y-position
82         if (y >= CANVAS_HEIGHT) {
83             y -= CANVAS_HEIGHT;
84         } else if (y < 0) {
85             y += CANVAS_HEIGHT;
86         }
87         direction += rotationSpeed; // update direction based on rotational speed
88         if (direction >= 360) {
89             direction -= 360;
90         } else if (direction < 0) {
91             direction += 360;
92         }
93         ++currentFrame; // display next frame
94         if (currentFrame >= imgFrames.length) {
95             currentFrame = 0;
96         }

```

```

97     }
98
99     /** Custom painting codes on this JPanel */
100    @Override
101    public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
102        super.paintComponent(g); // paint background
103        setBackground(Color.WHITE);
104        Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;
105
106        transform.setToIdentity();
107        // The origin is initially set at the top-left corner of the image.
108        // Move the center of the image to (x, y).
109        transform.translate(x - imgWidth / 2, y - imgHeight / 2);
110        // Rotate about the center of the image
111        transform.rotate(Math.toRadians(direction),
112            imgWidth / 2, imgHeight / 2);
113        // Apply the transform to the image and draw
114        g2d.drawImage(imgFrames[currentFrame], transform, null);
115    }
116
117    /** The Entry main method */
118    public static void main(String[] args) {
119        // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
120        SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
121            @Override
122            public void run() {
123                JFrame frame = new JFrame(TITLE);
124                frame.setContentPane(new AnimatedFramesDemo());
125                frame.pack();
126                frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
127                frame.setLocationRelativeTo(null); // center the application window
128                frame.setVisible(true);
129            }
130        });
131    }
132 }

```

Dissecting the Program

[TODO]

Code Example 2: Frames Organized in a Stripe

In this example, all the frames of an animated sequence are kept in a single file organized in rows and columns.



```

1  import javax.imageio.ImageIO;
2  import java.net.URL;
3  import java.awt.*;
4  import javax.swing.*;
5  import java.io.*;
6
7  /** Animating image frames. All frames kept in a stripe. */
8  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
9  public class AnimatedFramesInStripe extends JPanel {
10     // Named-constants
11     static final int CANVAS_WIDTH = 640;
12     static final int CANVAS_HEIGHT = 480;
13     public static final String TITLE = "Animated Frame Demo";
14
15     private String imgFilename = "images/GhostStripe.png";
16     private int numRows, numCols, numFrames;
17     private Image img; // for the entire image stripe
18     private int currentFrame; // current frame number
19     private int frameRate = 5; // frame rate in frames per second
20     private int imgWidth, imgHeight; // width and height of the image
21     private double x = 100.0, y = 80.0; // (x,y) of the center of image
22     private double speed = 8; // displacement in pixels per move
23     private double direction = 0; // in degrees
24     private double rotationSpeed = 1; // in degrees per move
25
26     /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
27     public AnimatedFramesInStripe() {
28         // Setup animation
29         loadImage(imgFilename, 2, 4);
30         Thread animationThread = new Thread () {
31             @Override
32             public void run() {
33                 while (true) {
34                     update(); // update the position and image
35                     repaint(); // Refresh the display
36                     try {
37                         Thread.sleep(1000 / frameRate); // delay and yield to other threads

```

```

38         } catch (InterruptedException ex) { }
39     }
40 }
41 };
42 animationThread.start(); // start the thread to run animation
43
44 // Setup GUI
45 setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CANVAS_WIDTH, CANVAS_HEIGHT));
46 }
47
48 /** Helper method to load image. All frames have the same height and width */
49 private void loadImage(String imgFileName, int numRows, int numCols) {
50     URL imgUrl = getClass().getClassLoader().getResource(imgFileName);
51     if (imgUrl == null) {
52         System.err.println("Couldn't find file: " + imgFileName);
53     } else {
54         try {
55             img = ImageIO.read(imgUrl); // load image via URL
56         } catch (IOException ex) {
57             ex.printStackTrace();
58         }
59     }
60     numFrames = numRows * numCols;
61     this.imgHeight = img.getHeight(null) / numRows;
62     this.imgWidth = img.getWidth(null) / numCols;
63     this.numRows = numRows;
64     this.numCols = numCols;
65     currentFrame = 0;
66 }
67
68 /** Returns the top-left x-coordinate of the given frame number. */
69 private int getCurrentFrameX() {
70     return (currentFrame % numCols) * imgWidth;
71 }
72
73 /** Returns the top-left y-coordinate of the given frame number. */
74 private int getCurrentFrameY() {
75     return (currentFrame / numCols) * imgHeight;
76 }
77
78 /** Update the position based on speed and direction of the sprite */
79 public void update() {
80     x += speed * Math.cos(Math.toRadians(direction)); // x-position
81     if (x >= CANVAS_WIDTH) {
82         x -= CANVAS_WIDTH;
83     } else if (x < 0) {
84         x += CANVAS_WIDTH;
85     }
86     y += speed * Math.sin(Math.toRadians(direction)); // y-position
87     if (y >= CANVAS_HEIGHT) {
88         y -= CANVAS_HEIGHT;
89     } else if (y < 0) {
90         y += CANVAS_HEIGHT;
91     }
92     direction += rotationSpeed; // update direction based on rotational speed
93     if (direction >= 360) {
94         direction -= 360;
95     } else if (direction < 0) {
96         direction += 360;
97     }
98     ++currentFrame; // displays next frame
99     if (currentFrame >= numFrames) {
100         currentFrame = 0;
101     }
102 }
103
104 /** Custom painting codes on this JPanel */
105 @Override
106 public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
107     super.paintComponent(g); // paint background
108     setBackground(Color.WHITE);
109     Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;
110
111     int frameX = getCurrentFrameX();
112     int frameY = getCurrentFrameY();
113     g2d.drawImage(img,
114         (int)x - imgWidth / 2, (int)y - imgHeight / 2,
115         (int)x + imgWidth / 2, (int)y + imgHeight / 2,
116         frameX, frameY, frameX + imgWidth, frameY + imgHeight, null);
117 }
118
119 /** The Entry main method */
120 public static void main(String[] args) {
121     // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
122     SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
123         @Override
124         public void run() {
125             JFrame frame = new JFrame(TITLE);
126             frame.setContentPane(new AnimatedFramesInStripe());

```

```

127         frame.pack();
128         frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
129         frame.setLocationRelativeTo(null); // center the application window
130         frame.setVisible(true);
131     }
132     });
133 }
134 }

```

Dissecting the Program

[TODO]

4. High Performance Graphics

4.1 Full-Screen Display Mode (JDK 1.4)

Reference: Java Tutorial's "Full-Screen Exclusive Mode API" @<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/extra/fullscreen/index.html>.

You could check if full-screen mode is supported in your graphics environment by invoking `isFullScreenSupported()` of the screen `GraphicsDevice`:

```

GraphicsEnvironment env = GraphicsEnvironment.getLocalGraphicsEnvironment();
GraphicsDevice defaultScreen = env.getDefaultScreenDevice();
System.out.println("isFullScreenSupported: " + defaultScreen.isFullScreenSupported());

// Enter fullscreen mode
setUndecorated(true);
setResizable(false);
defaultScreen.setFullScreenWindow(this); // "this" JFrame

```

To enter fullscreen mode, use `GraphicsDevice`'s `setFullScreenWindow(JFrame)`. To leave the fullscreen mode and return to windowed mode, use `setFullScreenWindow(null)`. You should not try to `setSize()` or resize the window in full screen mode.

You could run your program in fullscreen (without the window's title bar) by invoking `JFrame`'s `setUndecorated(true)`.

There are a few ways to find out the current screen size:

```

// via the default Toolkit
Dimension dim = Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit().getScreenSize();
int screenWidth = (int)dim.getWidth();
int screenHeight = (int)dim.getHeight();

```

Code Example 1: Running in Fullscreen Mode

```

1  import java.awt.*;
2  import java.awt.event.*;
3  import javax.swing.*;
4
5  /** Testing the full-screen mode */
6  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
7  public class FullScreenDemo extends JFrame {
8
9      /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
10     public FullScreenDemo() {
11         // Check if full screen mode supported?
12         GraphicsEnvironment env = GraphicsEnvironment.getLocalGraphicsEnvironment();
13         GraphicsDevice defaultScreen = env.getDefaultScreenDevice();
14         if (!defaultScreen.isFullScreenSupported()) {
15             System.err.println("Full Screen mode is not supported!");
16             System.exit(1);
17         }
18
19         // Use ESC key to quit
20         addKeyListener(new KeyAdapter() {
21             @Override
22             public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e) {
23                 if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_ESCAPE) {
24                     System.exit(0);
25                 }
26             }
27         });
28
29         setContentPane(new DrawCanvas());
30         setDefaultCloseOperation(EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
31         setUndecorated(true);
32         setResizable(false);
33         defaultScreen.setFullScreenWindow(this); // full-screen mode
34         setVisible(true);
35     }
36
37     /** DrawCanvas (inner class) is a JPanel used for custom drawing */
38     private class DrawCanvas extends JPanel {
39         @Override
40         public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
41             super.paintComponent(g);

```

```

42         setBackground(Color.BLACK);
43
44         // Paint messages
45         g.setColor(Color.YELLOW);
46         g.setFont(new Font(Font.DIALOG, Font.BOLD, 30));
47         FontMetrics fm = g.getFontMetrics();
48         String msg = "In Full-Screen mode";
49         int msgWidth = fm.stringWidth(msg);
50         int msgAscent = fm.getAscent();
51         int msgX = getWidth() / 2 - msgWidth / 2;
52         int msgY = getHeight() / 2 + msgAscent / 2;
53         g.drawString(msg, msgX, msgY);
54
55         g.setColor(Color.WHITE);
56         g.setFont(new Font(Font.DIALOG, Font.PLAIN, 18));
57         fm = g.getFontMetrics();
58         msg = "Press ESC to quit";
59         msgWidth = fm.stringWidth(msg);
60         int msgHeight = fm.getHeight();
61         msgX = getWidth() / 2 - msgWidth / 2;
62         msgY += msgHeight * 1.5;
63         g.drawString(msg, msgX, msgY);
64     }
65 }
66
67 /** The Entry main method */
68 public static void main(String[] args) {
69     // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
70     SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
71         @Override
72         public void run() {
73             new FullScreenDemo();
74         }
75     });
76 }
77 }

```

Code Example 2: Switching between Fullscreen and Windowed Mode

```

1  import java.awt.*;
2  import java.awt.event.*;
3  import javax.swing.*;
4
5  /** Testing the full-screen mode */
6  @SuppressWarnings("serial")
7  public class FullScreenEscDemo extends JFrame {
8      // Windowed mode settings
9      private static String winModeTitle =
10         "Switching between Full Screen Mode and Windowed Mode Demo";
11     private static int winModeX, winModeY; // top-left corner (x, y)
12     private static int winModeWidth, winModeHeight; // width and height
13
14     private boolean inFullScreenMode; // in fullscreen or windowed mode?
15     private boolean fullScreenSupported; // is fullscreen supported?
16
17     /** Constructor to set up the GUI components */
18     public FullScreenEscDemo() {
19         // Get the screen width and height
20         Dimension dim = Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit().getScreenSize();
21         // Set the windowed mode initial width and height to about fullscreen
22         winModeWidth = (int)dim.getWidth();
23         winModeHeight = (int)dim.getHeight() - 35; // minus task bar
24         winModeX = 0;
25         winModeY = 0;
26
27         // Check if full screen mode supported?
28         GraphicsEnvironment env = GraphicsEnvironment.getLocalGraphicsEnvironment();
29         final GraphicsDevice defaultScreen = env.getDefaultScreenDevice();
30         fullScreenSupported = defaultScreen.isFullScreenSupported();
31
32         if (fullScreenSupported) {
33             setUndecorated(true);
34             setResizable(false);
35             defaultScreen.setFullScreenWindow(this); // full-screen mode
36             inFullScreenMode = true;
37         } else {
38             setUndecorated(false);
39             setResizable(true);
40             defaultScreen.setFullScreenWindow(null); // windowed mode
41             setBounds(winModeX, winModeY, winModeWidth, winModeHeight);
42             inFullScreenMode = false;
43         }
44
45         // Use ESC key to switch between Windowed and fullscreen modes
46         this.addKeyListener(new KeyAdapter() {
47             @Override
48             public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e) {
49                 if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_SPACE) {
50                     if (fullScreenSupported) {

```



```

51         if (!inFullScreenMode) {
52             // Switch to fullscreen mode
53             setVisible(false);
54             setResizable(false);
55             dispose();
56             setUndecorated(true);
57             defaultScreen.setFullScreenWindow(FullScreenEscDemo.this);
58             setVisible(true);
59         } else {
60             // Switch to windowed mode
61             setVisible(false);
62             dispose();
63             setUndecorated(false);
64             setResizable(true);
65             defaultScreen.setFullScreenWindow(null);
66             setBounds(winModeX, winModeY, winModeWidth, winModeHeight);
67             setVisible(true);
68         }
69         inFullScreenMode = !inFullScreenMode;
70         repaint();
71     }
72     } else if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_ESCAPE) {
73         System.exit(0);
74     }
75 }
76 });
77
78 // To save the window width and height if the window has been resized.
79 this.addComponentListener(new ComponentAdapter() {
80     @Override
81     public void componentMoved(ComponentEvent e) {
82         if (!inFullScreenMode) {
83             winModeX = getX();
84             winModeY = getY();
85         }
86     }
87
88     @Override
89     public void componentResized(ComponentEvent e) {
90         if (!inFullScreenMode) {
91             winModeWidth = getWidth();
92             winModeHeight = getHeight();
93         }
94     }
95 });
96
97 setContentPane(new DrawCanvas());
98 setDefaultCloseOperation(EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
99 setTitle(winModeTitle);
100 setVisible(true);
101 }
102
103 /** DrawCanvas (inner class) is a JPanel used for custom drawing */
104 private class DrawCanvas extends JPanel {
105     @Override
106     public void paintComponent(Graphics g) {
107         super.paintComponent(g);
108         setBackground(Color.BLACK);
109
110         // Draw a box to indicate the borders
111         Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D)g;
112         g2d.setStroke(new BasicStroke(8));
113         g2d.setColor(Color.RED);
114         g2d.drawRect(0, 0, getWidth()-1, getHeight()-1);
115
116         // Paint messages
117         g.setColor(Color.YELLOW);
118         g.setFont(new Font(Font.DIALOG, Font.BOLD, 30));
119         FontMetrics fm = g.getFontMetrics();
120         String msg = inFullScreenMode ? "In Full-Screen mode" : "In Windowed mode";
121         int msgWidth = fm.stringWidth(msg);
122         int msgAscent = fm.getAscent();
123         int msgX = getWidth() / 2 - msgWidth / 2;
124         int msgY = getHeight() / 2 + msgAscent / 2;
125         g.drawString(msg, msgX, msgY);
126
127         g.setColor(Color.WHITE);
128         g.setFont(new Font(Font.DIALOG, Font.PLAIN, 18));
129         fm = g.getFontMetrics();
130         msg = "Press SPACE to toggle between Full-screen/windowed modes, ESC to quit.";
131         msgWidth = fm.stringWidth(msg);
132         int msgHeight = fm.getHeight();
133         msgX = getWidth() / 2 - msgWidth / 2;
134         msgY += msgHeight * 1.5;
135         g.drawString(msg, msgX, msgY);
136     }
137 }
138
139 /** The Entry main method */

```

```

140     public static void main(String[] args) {
141         // Run the GUI codes on the Event-Dispatching thread for thread safety
142         SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
143             @Override
144             public void run() {
145                 new FullScreenEscDemo();
146             }
147         });
148     }
149 }

```

4.2 Rendering to the Display & Double Buffering

The common problems in rendering a graphic object or image to the display are:

- Flashing (or flickering): caused by clearing the display and then drawing the graphics.
- Image Tearing: For a moving object, the user sees part of the new image and part of the old one.

The common way to resolve these display rendering problem is via so-called *double buffering*.

A few techniques are available in Java for double buffering:

- BufferStrategy (JDK 1.4)
- BufferedImage
- other??

[TODO]

4.3 Splash Screen

To show a splash screen before launching your application, include command-line VM argument "`-splash:splashImagefilename`" to display the image.

To show a progress bar over the splash screen, need to write some codes to overlay the progress bar on top of the splash screen. The following shows a simulation:

```

1  import java.awt.*;
2
3  /** Splash Screen Demo (with a Progress Bar)
4   * Run with VM command-line option -splash:splashImageFilename */
5  public class SplashScreenDemo {
6
7      public static void main(String[] args) {
8          SplashScreen splash = SplashScreen.getSplashScreen();
9          if (splash == null) {
10             System.err.println("Splash Screen not available!");
11         } else {
12             // Okay, Splash screen created
13             Dimension splashBounds = splash.getSize();
14             Graphics2D g2d = splash.createGraphics();
15
16             // Simulate a progress bar
17             for (int i = 0; i < 100; i += 5) {
18                 g2d.setColor(Color.RED);
19                 g2d.fillRect(0, splashBounds.height / 2,
20                     splashBounds.width * i / 100, 20);
21                 splash.update();
22                 try {
23                     Thread.sleep(200); // Some delays
24                 } catch (Exception e) {}
25             }
26             g2d.dispose();
27             splash.close();
28         }
29     }
30 }

```

[TODO] Can we use the `JProgressBar` class?

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