

# Evas presentation, Part2: Graphic Primitives

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Last month, we took a brief look at Evas' drawing capabilities. Today, we'll study in more details this library's graphic primitives and the six types of objects Evas supports.

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# 1. The shapes Evas uses

Evas' canvas can display a number of objects of different types. Evas supports six types of objects:

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## 4. Polygons

Evas can also display polygons without restrictions on the number of sides. A polygon is added to a canvas with the function: `i[(f12.928.966 Tf 0 -21.619[(Evas)-2_Object)-600(e)-2_add_poly(Evas canvas);Eva` The polygon created will not have any vertices. To add a polygon: `i[(f12.928.966 Tf 0 -21.619[(Evavoid)-600(e)-2_add_point(Evas)-600(canvas,)]TJ 107.596 -11.656[(Evas)-2_Object object,]Evas canvas'.Eva` To change the coordinates of the vertices of a polygon, the only solution is to remove all the points and re-add the vertices with the new coordinates with `evas_add_point()` function calls. The following function removes all the vertices of a polygon: `i[(f12.928.966 Tf 0 -21.618[(Evavoid)-600(e)-2_clear_points(Evas)-601(canvas,)]TJ 123.735 -11.657[(Evas)-2_Object object,]Evas canvas'`

The fourth type of objects Evas can use is the color gradient. A gradient is really a rectangle filled with two-by-two color gradients in a given direction. Such a gradient is added to the canvas by the following function: `i[(f12.928.966 Tf 0 -21.619[(Evas)-2_Object object,]Evas canvas'`



To add an image object to a canvas, only the filename is needed:

```
Evas_Object evas_add_image_from_file(Evas canvas, char *filename);
```

Note that contrary to all Evas objects, image objects have by default the size of their image. Even if the file can't be read, a completely transparent object with a 0x0 size is created anyway.

The `evas_set_color()` function doesn't play the same role with image objects as with the other types of objects. For an image, it sets color and opacity values that will be used as a (multiplicative) filter for each pixel of the image. For example an `evas_set_color(canvas, image, 0,0,255, 127);` will make this image completely blue (since the red and green values will be multiplied by 0) and half transparent (127 begin about halfway between 0 and 255).

The file associated to an image object can be changed after its creation by this function:

```
void evas_set_image_file(Evas canvas, Evas_Object image, char * filename);
```

This is very useful to create animations.

By default, the image is scaled to completely fill the image object, even if the size of the object changes. To prevent this:

```
void evas_set_image_fill(Evas canvas, Evas_Object object,  
                        double x, double y,
```

```
Evas_Object      line, rectangle;
Evas_Object      polygon, gradient;
Evas_Object      text, image;
Evas_Gradient    liste;
int              i, j;

/* Creating the canvas */
canvas = evas_new ;
](the)-600(canvas)-60 ;
```





