

CHAPTER

10

# GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACES





# Chapter Goals

- ❑ To implement simple graphical user interfaces
- ❑ To add buttons, text fields, and other components to a frame window
- ❑ To handle events that are generated by buttons
- ❑ To write programs that display simple drawings

In this chapter, you will learn how to write graphical user-interface applications, process the events that are generated by button clicks, and process user input,



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## 10.1 Frame Windows

- ❑ Java provides classes to create graphical applications that can run on any major graphical user interface
  - A graphical application shows information inside a frame: a window with a title bar
- ❑ Java's JFrame class allows you to display a frame
  - It is part of the `javax.swing` package





# The JFrame Class

## ❑ Five steps to displaying a frame:

- 1) Construct an object of the JFrame class

```
JFrame frame = new JFrame();
```

- 2) Set the size of the frame

```
frame.setSize(300,400);
```

- 3) Set the title of the frame

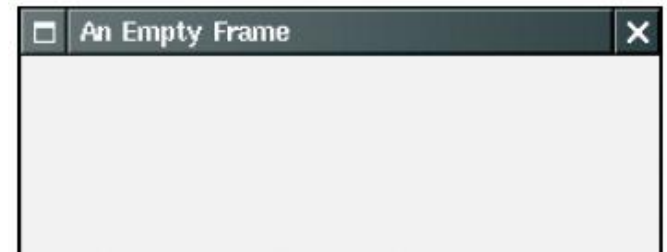
```
frame.setTitle("An Empty Frame");
```

- 4) Set the "default close operation"

```
frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
```

- 5) Make it visible

```
frame.setVisible (true);
```





# EmptyFrameViewer.java

- ❑ Your JVM (Java Virtual Machine) does all of the work of displaying the frame on your GUI
  - This application is portable to all supported GUIs!

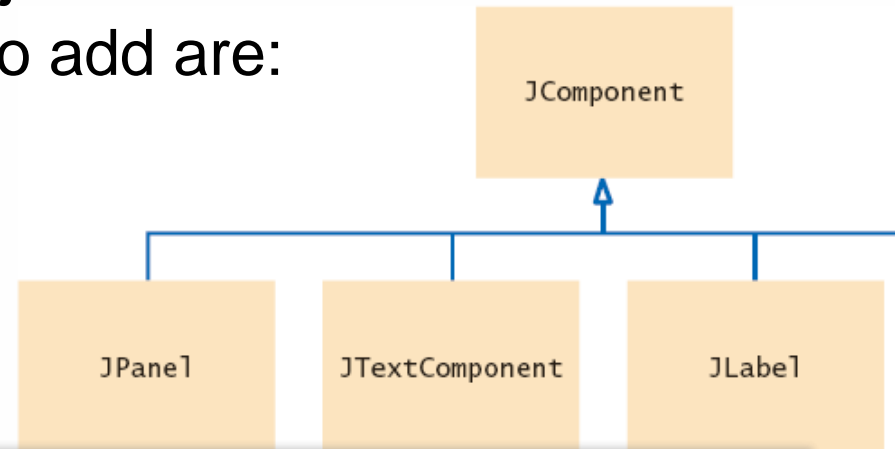
You are using the java Swing library

```
1  import javax.swing.JFrame;
2
3  /**
4   * This program displays an empty frame.
5   */
6  public class EmptyFrameViewer
7  {
8      public static void main(String[] args)
9      {
10         JFrame frame = new JFrame();
11
12         final int FRAME_WIDTH = 300;
13         final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 400;
14         frame.setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
15         frame.setTitle("An empty frame");
16         frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
17
18         frame.setVisible(true);
19     }
20 }
```



# Adding Components

- ❑ You cannot draw directly on a JFrame object
- ❑ Instead, construct an object and add it to the frame
  - A few examples objects to add are:
    - JComponent
    - JPanel
    - JTextComponent
    - JLabel



```
public class RectangleComponent extends JComponent
{
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        // Drawing instructions go here
    }
}
```

Extend the JComponent Class and override its paintComponent method



# Adding Panels

- ❑ If you have more than one component, put them into a panel (a container for other user-interface components), and then add the panel to the frame:

- First Create the components

```
 JButton button = new JButton("Click me!");  
 JLabel label = new JLabel("Hello, World!");
```

- Then Add them to the panel

```
 JPanel panel = new JPanel();  
 panel.add(button);  
 panel.add(label);  
 frame.add(panel);
```

Use a JPanel to group multiple user-interface components together.

Add the panel to the frame





# FilledFrameViewer.java

```
1  import javax.swing.JButton;
2  import javax.swing.JFrame;
3  import javax.swing.JLabel;
4  import javax.swing.JPanel;
5
6  /**
7   * This program shows a frame that is filled with two components.
8   */
9  public class FilledFrameViewer
10 {
11     public static void main(String[] args)
12     {
13         JFrame frame = new JFrame();
14
15         JButton button = new JButton("Click me!");
16         JLabel label = new JLabel("Hello, World!");
17
18         JPanel panel = new JPanel();
19         panel.add(button);
20         panel.add(label);
21         frame.add(panel);
22
23         final int FRAME_WIDTH = 300;
24         final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 100;
25         frame.setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
26         frame.setTitle("A frame with two components");
27         frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
28
29         frame.setVisible(true);
30     }
31 }
```



# Using Inheritance to Customize Frames

- ❑ For complex frames:
  - Design a subclass of JFrame
  - Store the components as instance variables
  - Initialize them in the constructor of your subclass.

```
public class FilledFrame extends JFrame
{
    private JButton button;
    private JLabel label;
    private static final int FRAME_WIDTH = 300;
    private static final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 100;

    public FilledFrame()
    {
        createComponents();
        setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
    }
}
```

Components are instance variables

Initialize and add them in the constructor of your subclass with a helper method



# Using Inheritance to Customize Frames

- ❑ Then instantiate the customized frame from the main method

```
public class FilledFrameViewer2
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        JFrame frame = new FilledFrame();
        frame.setTitle("A frame with two components");
        frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
}
```



# Special Topic 10.1



- ❑ Adding the main Method to the Frame Class
  - Some programmers prefer this technique

```
public class FilledFrame extends JFrame
{
    . . .
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        JFrame frame = new FilledFrame();
        frame.setTitle("A frame with two components");
        frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
    public FilledFrame()
    {
        createComponents();
        setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
    }
    . . .
}
```

Once main has instantiated the FilledFrame, non-static instance variables and methods can be used.



## 10.2 Events and Event Handling

- ❑ In a modern **graphical user interface** program, the user controls the program through the mouse and keyboard.
- ❑ The user can enter information into text fields, pull down menus, click buttons, and drag scroll bars in any order.
  - The program must react to the user commands
  - The program can choose to receive and handle events such as “mouse move” or a button push “action event”



# Events and Action Listeners

- ❑ Programs must indicate which events it wants to receive
- ❑ It does so by installing event listener objects
  - An event listener object belongs to a class that you declare
  - The methods of your event listener classes contain the instructions that you want to have executed when the events occur
- ❑ To install a listener, you need to know the **event source**
- ❑ You add an event listener object to selected event sources:
  - Examples: OK Button clicked, Cancel Button clicked, Menu Choice..
- ❑ Whenever the event occurs, the event source calls the appropriate methods of all attached event listeners



# Example ActionListener

- ❑ The ActionListener interface has one method:

```
public interface ActionListener
{
    void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event);
}
```

- ❑ ClickListener class implements the ActionListener interface

```
1 import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
2 import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
3
4 /**
5  * An action listener that prints a message.
6  */
7 public class ClickListener implements ActionListener
8 {
9     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
10    {
11        System.out.println("I was clicked.");
12    }
13 }
```

We can ignore the event parameter – it has information such as when the event occurred

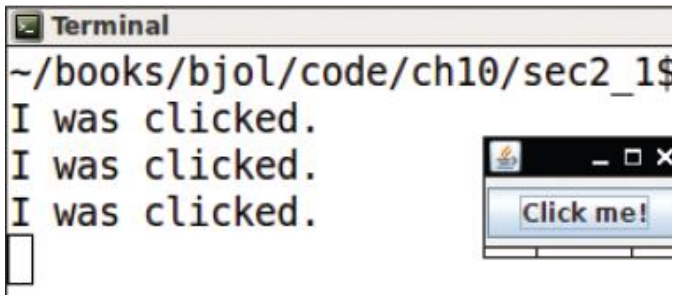


# Registering ActionListener

- ❑ A ClickListener object must be created, and then ‘registered’ (added) to a specific event source

```
ActionListener listener = new ClickListener();  
button.addActionListener(listener);
```

- ❑ Now whenever the `button` object is clicked, it will call `listener.ActionPerformed`, passing it the event as a parameter



```
1 import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;  
2 import java.awt.event.ActionListener;  
3  
4 /**  
5  * An action listener that prints a message.  
6  */  
7 public class ClickListener implements ActionListener  
8 {  
9     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)  
10    {  
11        System.out.println("I was clicked.");  
12    }  
13 }
```





# ButtonFrame1.java

```
6  /**
7   This frame demonstrates how to install an action listener.
8  */
9  public class ButtonFrame1 extends JFrame
10 {
11     private static final int FRAME_WIDTH = 100;
12     private static final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 60;
13
14     public ButtonFrame1()
15     {
16         createComponents();
17         setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
18     }
19
20     private void createComponents()
21     {
22         JButton button = new JButton("Click me!");
23         JPanel panel = new JPanel();
24         panel.add(button);
25         add(panel);
26
27         ActionListener listener = new ClickListener();
28         button.addActionListener(listener);
29     }
30 }
```

Creates and adds a  
JButton to the frame

Tells the button to 'call us  
back' when an event occurs.



# ButtonViewer1.java

- ❑ No changes required to the main to implement an event handler

```
1  import javax.swing.JFrame;
2
3  /**
4   This program demonstrates how to install an action listener.
5   */
6  public class ButtonViewer1
7  {
8      public static void main(String[] args)
9      {
10         JFrame frame = new ButtonFrame1();
11         frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
12         frame.setVisible(true);
13     }
14 }
```



# Inner Classes for Listeners

- ❑ In the preceding section, you saw how the code that is executed when a button is clicked is placed into a listener class.
- ❑ Inner Classes are often used for `ActionListeners`
- ❑ An Inner class is a class that is declared **inside** another class
  - It may be declared inside or outside a method of the class
- ❑ Why inner classes? Two reasons:
  - 1) It places the trivial listener class exactly where it is needed, without cluttering up the remainder of the project
  - 2) Their methods can access variables that are declared in surrounding blocks.
    - In this regard, inner classes declared inside methods behave similarly to nested blocks



# Example Inner Class Listener

- ❑ The inner class ClickListener declared inside the class ButtonFrame2 can access local variables inside the surrounding scope

Outer  
Block

Inner  
Block

```
public class ButtonFrame2 extends JFrame
{
    private JButton button;
    private JLabel label;
    . . .
    class ClickListener implements ActionListener
    {
        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
        {
            label.setText("I was clicked");
        }
    }
    . . .
}
```

Can easily access methods of the private instance of a label object.



# ButtonFrame2.java (1)

```
1  import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
2  import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
3  import javax.swing.JButton;
4  import javax.swing.JFrame;
5  import javax.swing.JLabel;
6  import javax.swing.JPanel;
7
8  public class ButtonFrame2 extends JFrame
9  {
10     private JButton button;
11     private JLabel label;
12
13     private static final int FRAME_WIDTH = 300;
14     private static final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 100;
15
16     public ButtonFrame2()
17     {
18         createComponents();
19         setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
20     }
21
```



# ButtonFrame2.java (2)

- ❑ Changes label from “Hello World!” to “I was clicked.”:

```
22  /**
23   * An action listener that changes the label text.
24   */
25  class ClickListener implements ActionListener
26  {
27      public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
28      {
29          label.setText("I was clicked.");
30      }
31  }
32
33  private void createComponents()
34  {
35      button = new JButton("Click me!");
36      ActionListener listener = new ClickListener();
37      button.addActionListener(listener);
38
39      label = new JLabel("Hello, World!");
40
41      JPanel panel = new JPanel();
42      panel.add(button);
43      panel.add(label);
44      add(panel);
45  }
46  }
```



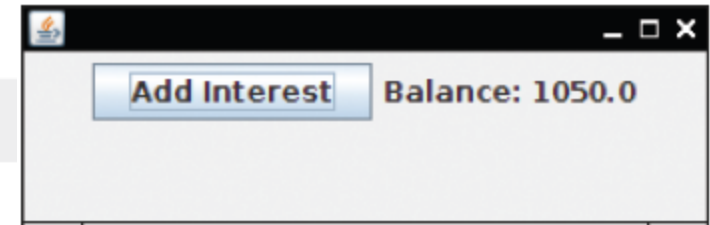
# InvestmentFrame.java (1)

```
1  import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
2  import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
3  import javax.swing.JButton;
4  import javax.swing.JFrame;
5  import javax.swing.JLabel;
6  import javax.swing.JPanel;
7
8  public class InvestmentFrame extends JFrame
9  {
10     private JButton button;
11     private JLabel resultLabel;
12     private double balance;
13
14     private static final int FRAME_WIDTH = 300;
15     private static final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 100;
16
17     private static final double INTEREST_RATE = 5;
18     private static final double INITIAL_BALANCE = 1000;
19
20     public InvestmentFrame()
21     {
22         balance = INITIAL_BALANCE;
23
24         createComponents();
25         setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
26     }
```



# InvestmentFrame.java (2)

```
28  /**
29   * Adds interest to the balance and updates the display.
30   */
31  class AddInterestListener implements ActionListener
32  {
33      public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
34      {
35          double interest = balance * INTEREST_RATE / 100;
36          balance = balance + interest;
37          resultLabel.setText("Balance: " + balance);
38      }
39  }
40
41  private void createComponents()
42  {
43      JButton button = new JButton("Add Interest");
44      ActionListener listener = new AddInterestListener();
45      button.addActionListener(listener);
46
47      JLabel resultLabel = new JLabel("Balance: " + balance);
48
49      JPanel panel = new JPanel();
50      panel.add(button);
51      panel.add(resultLabel);
52      add(panel);
53  }
54  }
```



- ❑ User clicks the button four times for output:





# Common Error 10.1



## ❑ Modifying Parameter Types in the Implementing Method

```
public interface ActionListener
{
    void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event);
}
```

- When you implement an interface, you must declare each method exactly as it is specified in the interface.
- Accidentally making small changes to the parameter types is a common error: For example:

```
class MyListener implements ActionListener
{
    public void actionPerformed()
    // Oops . . . forgot ActionEvent parameter
    { . . . }
}
```



# Common Error 10.2



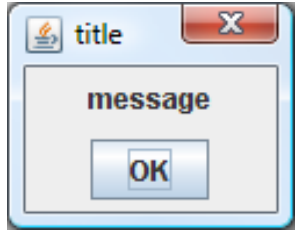
- ❑ Forgetting to Attach a Listener
  - If you run your program and find that your buttons seem to be dead, double-check that you attached the button listener.
  - The same holds for other user-interface components. It is a surprisingly common error to program the listener class and the event handler action without actually attaching the listener to the event source.

...

```
ActionListener listener = new ClickListener();  
button.addActionListener(listener);
```

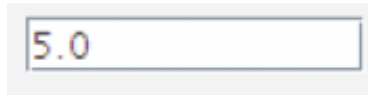


## 10.3 Processing Text Input



Dialog boxes allows for user input... but

- Popping up a separate dialog box for each input is not a natural user interface
- Most graphical programs collect text input through text fields
  - The JTextField class provides a text field
    - When you construct a text field, supply the width:
      - The approximate number of characters that you expect
      - If the user exceeds this number, text will ‘scroll’ left



```
final int FIELD_WIDTH = 10;  
final JTextField rateField = new JTextField(FIELD_WIDTH);
```



# Add a Label and a Button

- A Label helps the user know what you want

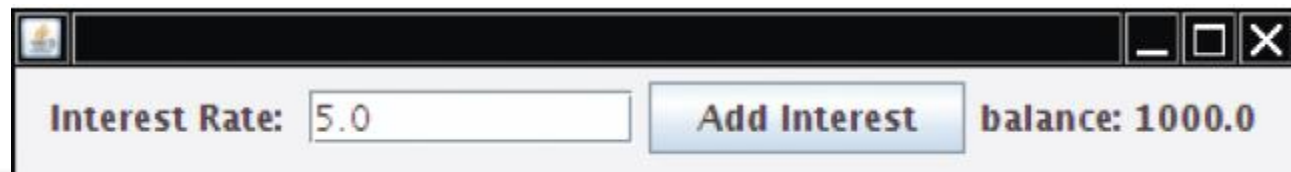
- Normally to the left of a textbox

Interest Rate:

```
JLabel rateLabel = new JLabel("Interest Rate: ");
```

- A Button with an actionPerformed method can be used to read the text from the textbox with the `getText` method

- Note that `getText` returns a String, and must be converted to a numeric value if it will be used in calculations



```
double rate = Double.parseDouble(rateField.getText());  
double interest = account.getBalance() * rate / 100;  
account.deposit(interest);  
resultLabel.setText("balance: " + account.getBalance());
```



# InvestmentFrame2.java

```
9  /**
10   A frame that shows the growth of an investment with variable interest.
11  */
12  public class InvestmentFrame2 extends JFrame
13  {
14      private static final int FRAME_WIDTH = 450;
15      private static final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 100;
16
17      private static final double DEFAULT_RATE = 5;
18      private static final double INITIAL_BALANCE = 1000;
19
20      private JLabel rateLabel;
21      private JTextField rateField;
22      private JButton button;
23      private JLabel resultLabel;
24      private double balance;
25
26      public InvestmentFrame2()
27      {
28          balance = INITIAL_BALANCE;
29
30          resultLabel = new JLabel("Balance: " + balance);
31
32          createTextField();
33          createButton();
34          createPanel();
35      }
```

- Use this as a framework for GUIs that do calculations

Place input components into the frame



# InvestmentFrame2.java (2)

```
39 private void createTextField()
40 {
41     rateLabel = new JLabel("Interest Rate: ");
42
43     final int FIELD_WIDTH = 10;
44     rateField = new JTextField(FIELD_WIDTH);
45     rateField.setText("" + DEFAULT_RATE);
46 }
47
48 /**
49  * Adds interest to the balance and updates the display.
50  */
51 class AddInterestListener implements ActionListener
52 {
53     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
54     {
55         double rate = Double.parseDouble(rateField.getText());
56         double interest = balance * rate / 100;
57         balance = balance + interest;
58         resultLabel.setText("Balance: " + balance);
59     }
60 }
61
62 private void createButton()
63 {
64     button = new JButton("Add Interest");
65
66     ActionListener listener = new AddInterestListener();
67     button.addActionListener(listener);
68 }
```

Do calculations in  
ActionPerformed method

Keep the code for the  
listener and the object  
(Button) in the same  
area



# Text Areas

- ❑ Create multi-line text areas with a JTextArea object
  - Set the size in rows and columns

```
final int ROWS = 10;  
final int COLUMNS = 30;  
JTextArea textArea = new JTextArea(ROWS, COLUMNS);
```

- Use the `setText` method to set the text of a text field or text area

```
textArea.setText("Account Balance");
```



# Text Areas

- The `append` method adds text to the end of a text area
  - Use newline characters to separate lines

```
textArea.append(account.getBalance() + "\n");
```

- Use the `setEditable` method to control user input

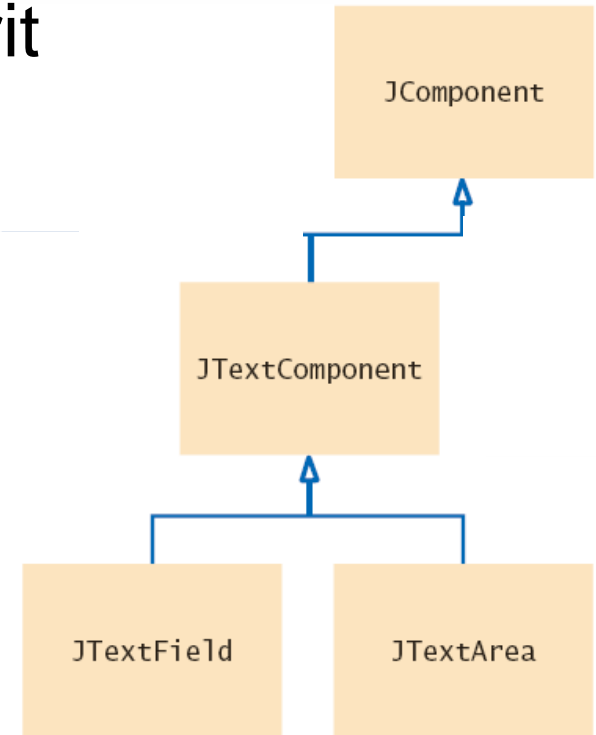
```
textArea.setEditable(false);
```





# JTextField and JTextArea

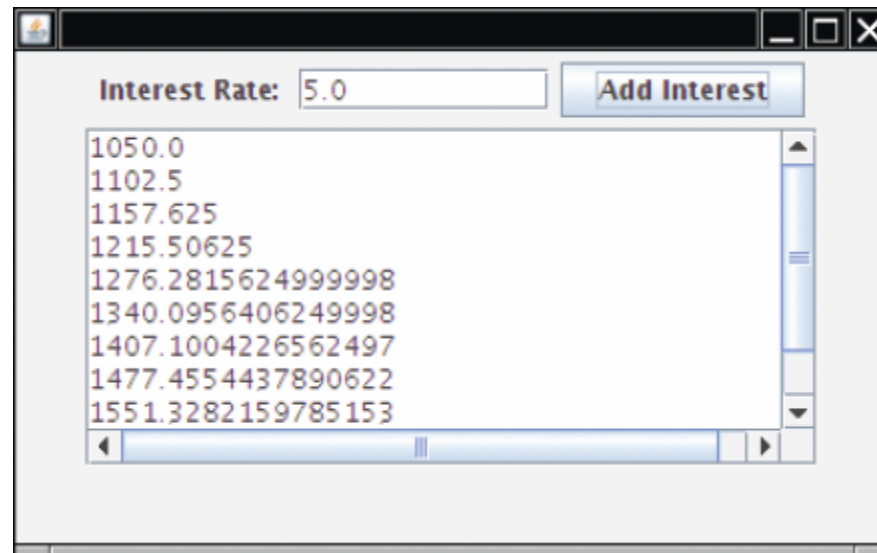
- JTextField and JTextArea inherit from JTextComponent:
  - setText
  - setEditable





# JTextField and JTextArea

- ❑ The append method is declared in the JTextArea class



- ❑ To add scroll bars, use JScrollPane:

```
JScrollPane scrollPane = new JScrollPane(textArea);
```



# InvestmentFrame3.java (1)

```
11  /**
12   * A frame that shows the growth of an investment with variable interest,
13   * using a text area.
14   */
15  public class InvestmentFrame3 extends JFrame
16  {
17      private static final int FRAME_WIDTH = 400;
18      private static final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 250;
19
20      private static final int AREA_ROWS = 10;
21      private static final int AREA_COLUMNS = 30;
22
23      private static final double DEFAULT_RATE = 5;
24      private static final double INITIAL_BALANCE = 1000;
25
26      private JLabel rateLabel;
27      private JTextField rateField;
28      private JButton button;
29      private JTextArea resultArea;
30      private double balance;
31  }
```

Declare the components to be used



# InvestmentFrame.java (2)

```
32 public InvestmentFrame3()
33 {
34     balance = INITIAL_BALANCE;
35     resultArea = new JTextArea(AREA_ROWS, AREA_COLUMNS);
36     resultArea.setText(balance + "\n");
37     resultArea.setEditable(false);
38
39     createTextField();
40     createButton();
41     createPanel();
42
43     setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
44 }
45
46 private void createTextField()
47 {
48     rateLabel = new JLabel("Rate:");
49
50     final int FIELD_WIDTH = 100;
51     rateField = new JTextField(FIELD_WIDTH);
52     rateField.setText("0.05");
53 }
74 private void createPanel()
75 {
76     JPanel = new JPanel();
77     panel.add(rateLabel);
78     panel.add(rateField);
79     panel.add(button);
80     JScrollPane scrollPane = new JScrollPane(resultArea);
81     panel.add(scrollPane);
82     add(panel);
83 }
84 }
```

Constructor calls methods to create the components



# InvestmentFrame.java (3)

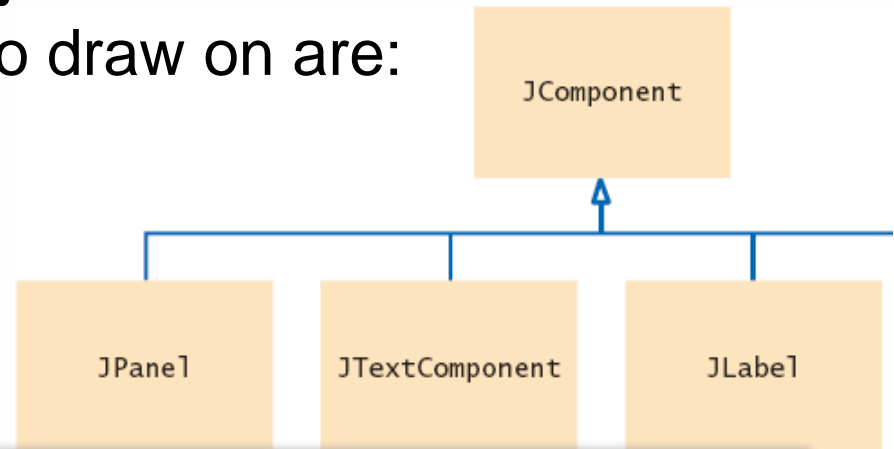
```
54
55  class AddInterestListener implements ActionListener
56  {
57      public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
58      {
59          double rate = Double.parseDouble(rateField.getText());
60          double interest = balance * rate / 100;
61          balance = balance + interest;
62          resultArea.append(balance + "\n");
63      }
64  }
65
66  private void createButton()
67  {
68      button = new JButton("Add Interest");
69
70      ActionListener listener = new AddInterestListener();
71      button.addActionListener(listener);
72  }
```

The listener class and associated createButton method



## 10.4 Creating Drawings

- ❑ You cannot draw directly on a JFrame object
- ❑ Instead, construct an object and add it to the frame
  - A few examples objects to draw on are:
    - JComponent
    - JPanel
    - JTextComponent
    - JLabel



```
public class chartComponent extends JComponent
{
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        // Drawing instructions go here
    }
}
```

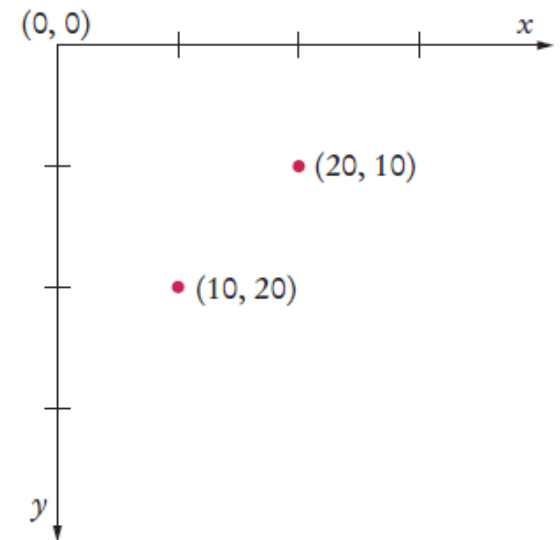
Extend the JComponent Class and override its paintComponent method



# The `paintComponent` method

- ❑ The `paintComponent` method is called automatically when:
  - The component is shown for the first time
  - Every time the window is resized, or after being hidden

```
public class chartComponent extends JComponent
{
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        g.fillRect(0, 10, 200, 10);
        g.fillRect(0, 30, 300, 10);
        g.fillRect(0, 50, 100, 10);
    }
}
```





# ChartComponent.java

```
1 import java.awt.Graphics;
2 import javax.swing.JComponent;
3
4 /**
5  * A component that draws a bar chart.
6  */
7 public class ChartComponent extends JComponent
8 {
9     public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
10    {
11        g.fillRect(0, 10, 200, 10);
12        g.fillRect(0, 30, 300, 10);
13        g.fillRect(0, 50, 100, 10);
14    }
15 }
```

The Graphics class is part of the java.awt package

- We now have a JComponent object that can be added to a JFrame





# ChartViewer.java

```
1  import javax.swing.JComponent;
2  import javax.swing.JFrame;
3
4  public class ChartViewer
5  {
6      public static void main(String[] args)
7      {
8          JFrame frame = new JFrame();
9
10         frame.setSize(400, 200);
11         frame.setTitle("A bar chart");
12         frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
13
14         JComponent component = new ChartComponent();
15         frame.add(component);
16
17         frame.setVisible(true);
18     }
19 }
```

Adding the component to the frame



# The Graphics parameter

- ❑ The `paintComponent` method receives an object of type `Graphics`
  - The `Graphics` object stores the graphics state
    - The current color, font, etc., that are used for drawing operations
  - The `Graphics2D` class extends the `Graphics` class
    - Provides more powerful methods to draw 2D objects
    - When using Swing, the `Graphics` parameter is actually of the `Graphics2D` type, so we need to cast it to `Graphics2D` to use it

```
public class RectangleComponent extends JComponent
{
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        Graphics2D g2 = (Graphics2D) g;
    }
}
```

Now you are ready to draw more complex shapes!



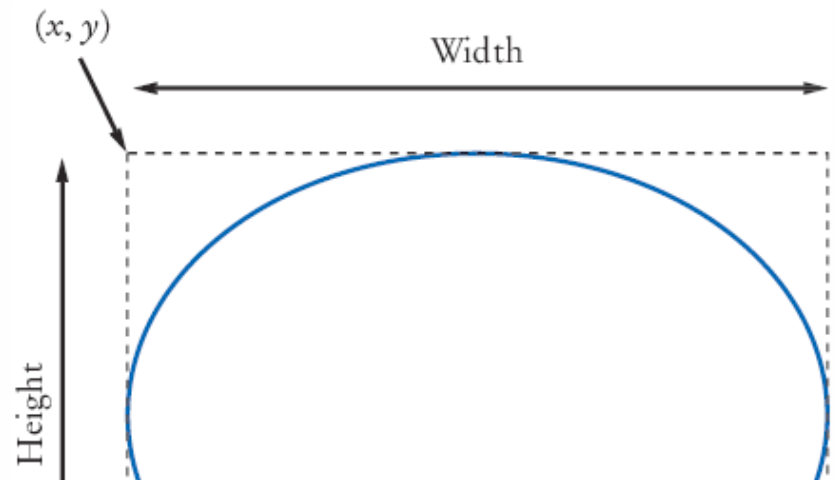
# Ovals, Lines, Text, and Color

- ❑ Ellipses are drawn inside a *bounding box* in the same way that you specify a rectangle:
  - Provide the x and y coordinates of the top-left corner
  - Provide the width and height of the bounding box
  - Use the Graphics class `drawOval` method to create an ellipse

```
g.drawOval(x, y, width, height);
```

- Use `drawLine` between two points:

```
g.drawLine(x1, y1, x1, y2);
```





# Drawing Text

- ❑ Use the `drawString` method of the `Graphics` class to draw a string anywhere in a window
  - Specify the String
  - Specify the Basepoint (x and y coordinates)
  - The Baseline is the y coordinate of the Basepoint

```
g2.drawString("Message", 50, 100);
```


















# Using Color

- ❑ All shapes and strings are drawn with a black pen and white fill by default
- ❑ To change the color, call `setColor` with an object of type `Color`
  - Java uses the RGB color model
  - You can use predefined colors, or create your own

```
g.setColor(Color.YELLOW);  
g.fillOval(350, 25, 35, 20);
```

All shapes drawn after `setColor` will use it

Color		RGB Value
Color.BLACK		0, 0, 0
Color.BLUE		0, 0, 255
Color.CYAN		0, 255, 255
Color.GRAY		128, 128, 128
Color.DARKGRAY		64, 64, 64
Color.LIGHTGRAY		192, 192, 192
Color.GREEN		0, 255, 0
Color.MAGENTA		255, 0, 255
Color.ORANGE		255, 200, 0
Color.PINK		255, 175, 175
Color.RED		255, 0, 0
Color.WHITE		255, 255, 255
Color.YELLOW		255, 255, 0



# ChartComponent2.java

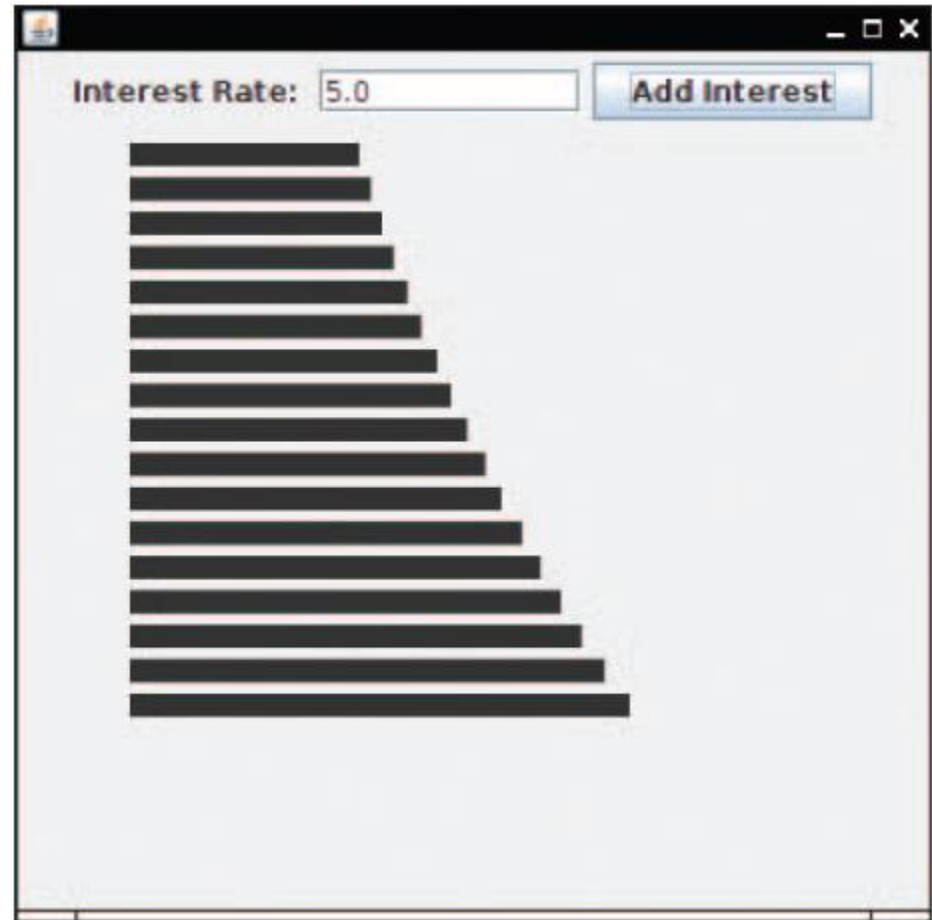
```
1  import java.awt.Color;
2  import java.awt.Graphics;
3  import javax.swing.JComponent;
4
5  /**
6   * A component that draws a demo chart.
7   */
8  public class ChartComponent2 extends JComponent
9  {
10     public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
11     {
12         // Draw the bars
13         g.fillRect(0, 10, 200, 10);
14         g.fillRect(0, 30, 300, 10);
15         g.fillRect(0, 50, 100, 10);
16
17         // Draw the arrow
18         g.drawLine(350, 35, 305, 35);
19         g.drawLine(305, 35, 310, 30);
20         g.drawLine(305, 35, 310, 40);
21
22         // Draw the highlight and the text
23         g.setColor(Color.YELLOW);
24         g.fillOval(350, 25, 35, 20);
25         g.setColor(Color.BLACK);
26         g.drawString("Best", 355, 40);
27     }
28 }
```





# Application: Investment Growth

- ❑ Input the interest rate
- ❑ Click on the Add Interest button to add bars to the graph
- ❑ Maintains a list of values to redraw all bars each time





# ChartComponent.java

```
6  /**
7   * A component that draws a chart.
8   */
9  public class ChartComponent extends JComponent
10 {
11     private ArrayList<Double> values;
12     private double maxValue;
13
14     public ChartComponent(double max)
15     {
16         values = new ArrayList<Double>();
17         maxValue = max;
18     }
19
20     public void append(double value)
21     {
22         values.add(value);
23         repaint();
24     }
```

Add a new value  
to ArrayList

Use an ArrayList to hold bar values

```
26     public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
27     {
28         final int GAP = 5;
29         final int BAR_HEIGHT = 10;
30
31         int y = GAP;
32         for (double value : values)
33         {
34             int barWidth = (int) (getWidth() * value / maxValue);
35             g.fillRect(0, y, barWidth, BAR_HEIGHT);
36             y = y + BAR_HEIGHT + GAP;
37         }
38     }
39 }
```

Paint bars in a loop





# InvestmentFrame4.java (1)

```
10  /**
11     A frame that shows the growth of an investment with variable interest,
12     using a bar chart.
13  */
14  public class InvestmentFrame4 extends JFrame
15  {
16      31      public InvestmentFrame4()
17      {
18          32          balance = INITIAL_BALANCE;
19          33          chart = new ChartComponent(3 * INITIAL_BALANCE);
20          34          chart.setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CHART_WIDTH, CHART_HEIGHT));
21          35          chart.append(INITIAL_BALANCE);
22          36
23          37          createTextField();
24          38          createButton();
25          39          createPanel();
26          40
27          41          setSize(FRAME_WIDTH, FRAME_HEIGHT);
28          42      }
29          43
30          44
31          45      private void createTextField()
32          {
33          46          rateLabel = new JLabel("Interest Rate: ");
34          47
35          48          final int FIELD_WIDTH = 10;
36          49          rateField = new JTextField(FIELD_WIDTH);
37          50          rateField.setText("" + DEFAULT_RATE);
38          51
39          52      }
```

Instantiates and initializes  
ChartComponent

Use helper methods to  
create components



# InvestmentFrame4.java (2)

```
54 class AddInterestListener implements ActionListener
55 {
56     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
57     {
58         double rate = Double.parseDouble(rateField.getText());
59         double interest = balance * rate / 100;
60         balance = balance + interest;
61         chart.append(balance);
62     }
63 }

65 private void createButton()
66 {
67     button = new JButton("Add Interest");
68
69     ActionListener listener = new AddInterestListener();
70     button.addActionListener(listener);
71 }

72
73 private void createPanel()
74 {
75     JPanel panel = new JPanel();
76     panel.add(rateLabel);
77     panel.add(rateField);
78     panel.add(button);
79     panel.add(chart);
80     add(panel);
81 }
82 }
```

Listener and  
Button setup



## Common Error 10.3



### ❑ Forgetting to Repaint

- When you change the data in a painted component, the component is not automatically painted with the new data.
- You must call the `repaint` method of the component
- The best place to call `repaint` is in the method of your component that modifies the data values:

```
void changeData(. . .)
{
    // Update data values
    repaint();
}
```



## Common Error 10.4



- ❑ By default, Components have zero width and height
  - You must be careful when you add a painted component, such as a component displaying a chart, to a panel
  - The default size for a JComponent is 0 by 0 pixels, and the component will not be visible.
  - The remedy is to call the `setPreferredSize` method:

```
chart.setPreferredSize(new Dimension(CHART_WIDTH, CHART_HEIGHT));
```



# Steps to Drawing Shapes

- 1) Determine the shapes you need for your drawing.
  - Squares and rectangles
  - Circles and ellipses
  - Lines and Text
- 2) Find the coordinates of each shape.
  - For rectangles and ellipses, you need the top-left corner, width, and height of the bounding box.
  - For lines, you need the  $x$ - and  $y$ -positions of the starting point and the end point.
  - For text, you need the  $x$ - and  $y$ -position of the basepoint





# Steps to Drawing Shapes

3) Write Java statements to draw the shapes.

```
g.setColor(Color.GREEN);
g.fillRect(100, 100, 30, 60);
g.setColor(Color.RED);
g.fillRect(160, 100, 30, 60);
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g.setColor(Color.BLACK);
g.drawLine(130, 100, 160, 100);
g.drawLine(130, 160, 160, 160);
```

- If possible, use variables and ‘offsets’ for the locations and sizes

```
g.fillRect(xLeft, yTop, width / 3, width * 2 / 3);
. . .
g.fillRect(xLeft + 2 * width / 3, yTop, width / 3, width * 2 / 3);
. . .
g.drawLine(xLeft + width / 3, yTop, xLeft + width * 2 / 3, yTop);
```



# Steps to Drawing Shapes

4) Consider using methods or classes for repetitive steps.

```
void drawItalianFlag(Graphics g, int xLeft, int yTop, int width)
{
    // Draw a flag at the given location and size
}
```

5) Place the drawing instructions in the `paintComponent` method.

```
public class ItalianFlagComponent extends JComponent
{
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        // Drawing instructions
    }
}
```

If the drawing is complex, use call methods of Step 4



# Steps to Drawing Shapes

## 6) Write the viewer class.

Provide a viewer class, with a main method in which you construct a frame, add your component, and make your frame visible.

```
public class ItalianFlagViewer
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        JFrame frame = new JFrame();
        frame.setSize(300, 400);
        frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        JComponent component = new ItalianFlagComponent();
        frame.add(component);
        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
}
```





# Summary: Frames and Components

- ❑ To show a frame, construct a JFrame object, set its size, and make it visible.
- ❑ Use a JPanel to group multiple user-interface components together.
- ❑ Declare a JFrame subclass for a complex frame.



## Summary: Events and Handlers

- ❑ User-interface events include key presses, mouse moves, button clicks, menu selections, and so on.
- ❑ An event listener belongs to a class created by the application programmer.
  - Its methods describe the actions to be taken when an event occurs.
  - Event sources report on events. When an event occurs, the event source notifies all event listeners.
- ❑ Attach an `ActionListener` to each button so that your program can react to button clicks.
- ❑ Methods of an inner class can access variables from the surrounding class.



# Summary: TextFields and TextAreas

- ❑ Use JTextField components to provide space for user input.
  - Place a JLabel next to each text field
- ❑ Use a JTextArea to show multiple lines of text
  - You can add scroll bars to any component with a JScrollPane
- ❑ You can add scroll bars to any component with a JScrollPane.



# Summary: Simple Shapes

- ❑ In order to display a drawing, provide a class that extends the `JComponent` class.
- ❑ Place drawing instructions inside the `paintComponent` method.
  - That method is called whenever the component needs to be repainted.
- ❑ The `Graphics` class has methods to draw rectangles and other shapes.
  - Use `drawRect`, `drawOval`, and `drawLine` to draw geometric shapes.
  - The `drawString` method draws a string, starting at its basepoint.



# Summary: Color and repaint

- ❑ When you set a new color in the graphics context, it is used for subsequent drawing operations.
- ❑ Call the `repaint` method whenever the state of a painted component changes.
- ❑ When placing a painted component into a panel, you need to specify its preferred size.