# Week 9 Graphical User Interfaces (Chapter 10)

Useful for Lab 8 & 9

## **Graphical Applications:**

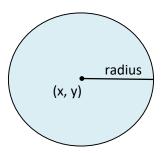
- The example programs we've explored thus far have been text-based.
- They are called command-line applications, which interact with the user using simple text prompts.
- Let's examine some Java applications that have graphical components.
- These components will serve as a foundation to programs that have true graphical user interfaces (GUIs).
- A GUI component is an object that represents a screen element such as a button or a text field.
- GUI-related classes are defined primarily in the java.awt and the javax.swing packages.
- The Abstract Windowing Toolkit (AWT) was the original Java GUI package.
- The Swing package provides additional and more versatile components.
- Both packages are needed to create a Java GUI-based program.

#### Frame, Panels and Labels:

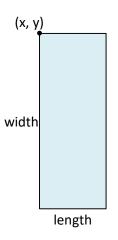
```
Quote.java
    Demonstrates the use of frames, panels, and labels.
import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;
public class Ouote
   // Displays some words of wisdom.
   public static void main(String[] args)
                                                                         Ouote
      JFrame frame = new JFrame("Quote");
                                                                   A person who never made a mistake
      frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
                                                                       never tried anything new.
      JPanel primary = new JPanel();
                                                                            Albert Finstein
      primary.setBackground(Color.yellow);
      primary.setPreferredSize(new Dimension(250, 75));
      JLabel label1 = new JLabel("A person who never made a mistake");
      JLabel label2 = new JLabel("never tried anything new.");
      JLabel label3 = new JLabel("Albert Einstein");
                                                                    Ouote
      primary.add(label1);
      primary.add(label2);
      primary.add(label3);
                                                      A person who never made a mistake
                                                     never tried anything new. Albert Einstein
      frame.getContentPane().add(primary);
      frame.pack();
      frame.setVisible(true);
```

# Circle, Rectangle, Square

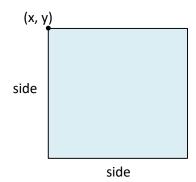
Circle:



Rectangle:



Square:



#### Shape Class

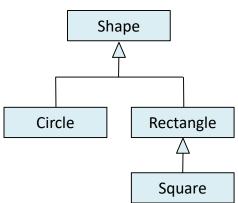
```
// Java class Color
import java.awt.Color;
abstract class Shape {
   private Color fillColor;
   private Color borderColor;
   private Boolean isFilled;
                                        // true if shape is filled with color
   private Point Location;
    // the three constructors initialize the instance fields
   public Shape(Color fillColor, borderColor, int x, int y) { }
    // set borderColor to black since not provided
   public Shape(Color fillColor, int x, int y) { }
                                                                    // Color BLACK
    // set fillColor to white and border color to black
   public Shape(int x, int y { }
                                                                    //Color.WHITE
   public void setFillColor(Color c) { }
   public Color getFillColor() { }
   public void setBorderColor(Color c) { }
   public Color getBorderColor() { }
   public Point getLocation() { }
   // Subclasses of Shape do not inherit private members, so we need methods the
   // subclasses can use to get the x, y values from the private Point instance field
   public int getX() { }
   public int getY() {
   // if fillColor is white returns true, else returns false
   public boolean isFilled() { }
   // moves location by dx and dy
   private void moveLocation(int dx, dy) { }
   abstract double getArea();
   abstract double getPerimeter();
```

# **Shape Class**

 Circle, rectangle and square have similar attributes and behavior, use inheritance to reuse the code. UML diagram:

#### Circle:

- Add instance variable "radius"
- Implement the same number of constructors (with additional instance variable)
- Implement abstract methods
- Add method "getRadius"



# Objects in GUI

- A Graphical User Interface (GUI) in Java is created with three kinds of objects:
  - components,
  - events,
  - listeners
- We've previously discussed components, which are objects that represent screen elements:
  - labels,
  - buttons,
  - text fields,
  - menus, etc.
- Some components are containers that hold and organize other components:
  - frames,
  - panels,
  - applets,
  - dialog boxes

#### **GUI Development**

- To create a Java program that uses a GUI we must:
  - instantiate and set up the necessary components
  - implement listener classes for any events we care about
  - establish the relationship between listeners and the components that generate the corresponding events
- We will explore some new components and see how this all comes together.
- A useful component is a push button, defined by the JButton class.
- A push button is a component that allows the user to initiate an action with a press of the mouse. It generates an action event.

#### PushCounter Example

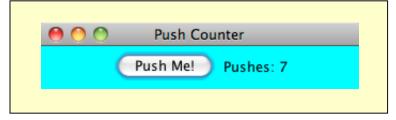
- The PushCounter example displays a push button that increments a counter each time it is pushed.
- The components of the GUI are: the button, a label to display the counter, a panel to organize the components, the main frame.
- The PushCounterPanel class represents the panel used to display the button and label.
- The PushCounterPanel class is derived from JPanel using inheritance.
- The constructor of PushCounterPanel sets up the elements of the GUI and initializes the counter to zero.

## PushCounter Panel Example

```
String shown
             // Constructor: Sets up the GUI.
                                                 on the button.
                                                                       Listener
            public PushCounterPanel()
                count = 0;
                push = new JButton("Push Me!");
                push.addActionListener(new ButtonListener());
Add button
                label = new JLabel("Pushes: " + count);
to the panel
               add(push);
                                                        Where are these methods
                add(label);
 Add label to
                                                        defined?
 the panel
                setPreferredSize(new Dimension(300, 40));
                setBackground(Color.cyan);
               Represents a listener for button push (action) events.
            private class ButtonListener implements ActionListener
                // Updates the counter and label when the button is pushed.
                public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
                   count++;
                   label.setText("Pushes: " + count);
```

#### PushCounter Panel Example

```
PushCounter.java
    Demonstrates a GUI and an event listener.
import javax.swing.JFrame;
public class PushCounter
   // Creates the main program frame.
   public static void main(String[] args)
      JFrame frame = new JFrame("Push Counter");
      frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
      frame.getContentPane().add(new PushCounterPanel());
      frame.pack();
      frame.setVisible(true);
```



#### Push Counter Example

- The ButtonListener class implements the ActionListener interface.
- The only method in the ActionListener interface is the actionPerformed method.
- The Java API contains interfaces for many types of events.
- The PushCounterPanel constructor:
  - instantiates the ButtonListener object
  - establishes the relationship between the button and the listener by the call to addActionListener
- When the user presses the button, the button component creates an ActionEvent object and calls the actionPerformed method of the listener.
- The actionPerformed method increments the counter and resets the text of the label.

## **Random Shape Generator**

```
import javax.swing.JFrame;
import javax.swing.JPanel;
import java.awt.BorderLayout;

// Main application for random shape generator app
public class ShapeWindow extends JFrame {
    JPanel shapeDriver;

    public ShapeWindow() {
        super();
        // TO-DO: set up the frame
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // run main application
        JFrame shapeWindow = new ShapeWindow();
    }
}
```

#### Shape Driver

```
// Driver program for random shape generator
public class ShapeDriver extends JPanel implements KeyListener {
   // Panel constants
   public final int FRAME_WIDTH = 600;
   public final int FRAME_HEIGHT = 600;
   private Random random;
   public ShapeDriver() {
        super();
        /* T0-D0:
        - set up JPanel
        - initialize any other field you want to declare and use
        - add the KeyListiner */
   // Override
   public void paintComponent(Graphics q) {
        // call super class paintComponent method to color background
        super.paintComponent(q);
        // TO-DO use the different Shapes draw methods here
        // The draw methods in the different shapes should take
        // The Graphics object should be passed to the Shapes Draw method
   // Override
   public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e) {
        /* To-DO:
          - if c, r, or s is pressed draw a circle, rectangle or square
          - repaint the JPanel */
```

#### Hints

- Use an ArrayList to keep pointers to all shape objects.
- Whenever a key is pressed:
  - Generate a new shape of the type circle, rectangle or square, with random color, size and location
  - Put it in the ArrayList
  - Call method "repaint"
- When you make a change to the data, the component is not automatically painted with the new data.
- You must call the "repaint" method of the component, which will invoke "paintComponent" method with an appropriate Graphics object.
- You should not call the "paintComponent" method directly.

#### **JComponent**

- JComponent class from the Swing toolkit represents a blank component.
- Since we don't want to add a blank component, we have to modify the JComponent class and specify how the component should be painted.
- The solution is to declare a new class that extends the JComponent class.
- Method paintComponent is called automatically:
  - when the component is shown for the first time
  - when the window is resized
  - or when it is shown again after it was hidden
- Example of using JComponent.

#### **JComponent**

```
When the components is shown for
import java.awt.*;
                                                the first time, the paintComponent
import javax.swing.*;
                                                method is called automatically.
class One extends JComponent
  int count;
  public void paintComponent(Graphics q) {
    System.out.println("Called " + ++count + " times.");
    g.drawOval(100, 100, 60, 60);
                                                Increment count each time the
                                                paintComponent is called.
import javax.swing.*;
public class Two extends JFrame {
  Two() {
    this.setVisible(true);
    this.setSize(400, 400);
    this.add(new One());
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Two t = new Two();
```

#### **Key Events**

- A key event is generated when a keyboard key is pressed. Key events allow a program to respond immediately to the user while he or she is typing or pressing other keyboard keys such as the arrow keys.
- If key events are being processed, the program can respond as soon as the key is pressed; there is no need to wait for the Enter key to be pressed or for some other component (like a button) to be activated.
- The methods of the KeyListener interface:
  - void keyPressed (KeyEvent event)
- Called when a key is pressed.
  - void keyReleased (KeyEvent event)
- Called when a key is released.
  - void keyTyped (KeyEvent event)
- Called when a pressed key or key combination produces a key character.
- The listener class must implement all methods defined in the interface. Provide empty methods for the events that you are not using.

The Direction program responds to key events.

- An image of an arrow is displayed, and the image moves across the screen as the arrow keys are pressed.
- Actually, four different images are used, one each for the arrow pointing in each of the primary directions (up, down, right, and left).

```
// DirectionPanel.java
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// Represents the primary display panel for the Direction program.
//**********************
import javax.swing.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
public class DirectionPanel extends JPanel
   private final int WIDTH = 300, HEIGHT = 200;
   private final int JUMP = 10; // increment for image movement
   private final int IMAGE_SIZE = 31;
   private ImageIcon up, down, right, left, currentImage;
   private int x, y;
```

```
// Constructor: Sets up this panel and loads the images.
public DirectionPanel()
   addKeyListener (new DirectionListener());
   x = WIDTH / 2;
   y = HEIGHT / 2;
   up = new ImageIcon ("arrowUp.jpg");
   down = new ImageIcon ("arrowDown.jpg");
   left = new ImageIcon ("arrowLeft.jpg");
   right = new ImageIcon ("arrowRight.jpg");
   currentImage = right;
   setBackground (Color.white);
   setPreferredSize (new Dimension(WIDTH, HEIGHT));
   setFocusable(true);
```

```
// Listener for keyboard activity. Responds to the user pressing arrow keys by
// adjusting theimage and image location accordingly.
private class DirectionListener implements KeyListener {
    public void keyPressed (KeyEvent event)
        switch (event.getKeyCode()) {
                                                    Virtual kev codes are used to report
             case KeyEvent.VK_UP:
                                                    which keyboard key has been pressed,
                 currentImage = up;
                                                    rather than a character generated by
                 y -= JUMP;
                                                    the combination of one or more
                                                    keystrokes
             break:
             case KeyEvent.VK_DOWN:
                 currentImage = down; y += JUMP;
             break:
             case KeyEvent.VK_LEFT:
                 currentImage = left; x -= JUMP;
             break:
             case KeyEvent.VK_RIGHT:
                 currentImage = right; x += JUMP;
                 break;
        repaint();
        // Provide empty definitions for unused event methods.
        public void keyTyped (KeyEvent event) {}
        public void keyReleased (KeyEvent event) {}
```

```
//**********************
// Direction.java
// Demonstrates key events.
//**********************
import javax.swing.JFrame;
public class Direction
   // Creates and displays the application frame.
   public static void main (String[] args)
      JFrame frame = new JFrame ("Direction");
      frame.setDefaultCloseOperation (JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
      frame.getContentPane().add (new DirectionPanel());
      frame.pack();
      frame.setVisible(true);
```

#### Mouse Events

- Java divides events that are generated when using a mouse into two categories:
  - mouse events
  - mouse motion events
- When you click the mouse button over a Java GUI component, three events are
- generated:
  - one when the mouse button is pushed down (mouse pressed)
  - and two when it is let up (mouse released and mouse clicked).
- A mouse click is defined as pressing and releasing the mouse button in the same location.
- If you press the mouse button down, move the mouse, and then release the mouse button, a mouse clicked event is not generated.

#### **GUI: Mouse Events**

Java divides event that are generated when using a mouse into two categories:

- mouse events
- mouse motion events

mouse pressed	the mouse button is pressed down
mouse released	the mouse button is released
mouse clicked	the mouse button is pressed down and released without moving the mouse in between
mouse entered	the mouse pointer is moved onto (over) a component
mouse exited	the mouse pointer is moved off of a component

mouse moved	the mouse is moved
mouse dragged	the mouse is moved while the mouse button is pressed down

#### Mouse Events

- Listeners for mouse events are created using the MouseListener and MouseMotionListener interfaces.
- A MouseEvent object is passed to the appropriate method when a mouse event occurs.
- For a given program, we may only care about one or two mouse events.
- To satisfy the implementation of a listener interface, empty methods must be provided for unused events.
- Example:
- The Dots program responds to one mouse event.
  - It draws a green dot at the location of the mouse pointer whenever the mouse button is pressed.
  - Unused mouse methods have to be implemented, but the body could be empty.

```
//**********************
   DotsPanel.java
//
   Represents the primary panel for the Dots program.
//*********************
import java.util.ArrayList;
                                                          Object
import javax.swing.JPanel;
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
                                                        Component
public class DotsPanel extends JPanel
                                                         Container
  private final int SIZE = 6; // radius of each dot
                                                        JComponent
  private ArrayList<Point> pointList;
                                                          IPanel
                                  Point is a class in
```

package java.awt

```
Constructor: Sets up this panel to listen for mouse events.
public DotsPanel()
                                                                   Object
   pointList = new ArrayList<Point>();
                                                                 Component
                                                                              addMouseListener
   addMouseListener(new DotsListener());
   setBackground(Color.black);
                                                                  Container
   setPreferredSize(new Dimension(300, 200));
                                                                              setBackground
                                                                 JComponent
                                                                              setPreferredSize
                                                                              paintComponent
// Draws all of the dots stored in the list.
                                                                   IPanel
public void paintComponent(Graphics page)
                                        x coordinate of the upper left corner of the oval
                                                   y coordinate of the upper left corner of the oval
   super.paintComponent(page);
   page.setColor(Color.green);
                                                             Width of the oval
                                                                       Height of the oval
   for (Point spot : pointList)
      page.fillOval(spot.x - SIZE, spot.y - SIZE, SIZE*2, SIZE*2);
   page.drawString("Count: " + pointList.size(), 5, 15);
```

```
//*******************
   Listener for mouse events.
//**********************
private class DotsListener implements MouseListener
  // Adds the current point to the list of points and redraws
  // the panel whenever the mouse button is pressed.
  public void mousePressed(MouseEvent event)
     pointList.add(event.getPoint());
     repaint();
                    Method inherited from JComponent.
                    It calls paintComponent.
  // Provide empty definitions for unused event methods.
  public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent event) {}
  public void mouseReleased(MouseEvent event) {}
  public void mouseEntered(MouseEvent event) {}
  public void mouseExited(MouseEvent event) {}
```

```
//**********************
   Dots.java
   Demonstrates mouse events.
//*********************
import javax.swing.JFrame;
public class Dots
  // Creates and displays the application frame.
  public static void main(String[] args)
    JFrame frame = new JFrame("Dots");
    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
    frame.getContentPane().add(new DotsPanel());
    frame.pack();
    frame.setVisible(true);
```