# CS 106A, Lecture 13 More Events; Animation

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Art & Science of Java, 10.1 - 10.3; 6.3 - 6.4

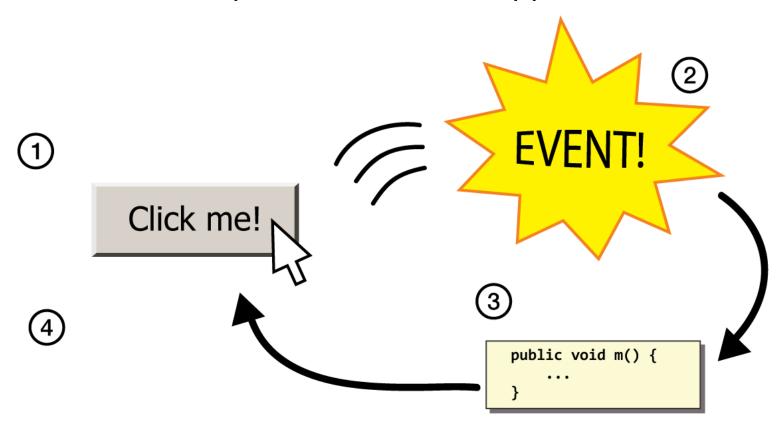
#### Whack-a-mole exercise

- Write a WhackAMole graphical program where images of a mole are randomly added to the screen every 1 second.
  - Place each mole at a randomly chosen x/y position.
  - If the user clicks on a mole image, remove it from the screen.



# The event cycle

- 1) User performs some action, like moving / clicking the mouse.
- 2) This causes an event to occur.
- 3) Java executes a particular method to handle that event.
- 4) The method's code updates the screen appearance in some way.



#### Mouse events

```
import acm.program.*;
import acm.graphics.*; // Stanford graphical objects
import java.awt.*;  // for Java graphical objects
import java.awt.event.*; // for Java events
public class Name extends GraphicsProgram {
   public void run() {
       addMouseListeners(); // enable mouse events
       statements;
   // the code to run when the event occurs
   public void eventMethodName(MouseEvent event) {
```

#### **Event methods**

- You can write any of the following methods in your program.
  - Each takes the form:
     public void eventMethodName(MouseEvent event) { ...

Method	Description
mouseMoved	mouse cursor moves
mouseDragged	mouse cursor moves while button is held down
mousePressed	mouse button is pressed down
mouseReleased	mouse button is lifted up
mouseClicked	mouse button is pressed and then released
mouseEntered	mouse cursor enters your program's window
mouseExited	mouse cursor leaves your program's window

# **Event objects**

 The MouseEvent passed to your event method contains useful information about the event that just occurred:

Method	Description
<pre>e.getButton()</pre>	which mouse button was pressed, if any
<pre>e.getX()</pre>	the x-coordinate of mouse cursor in the window
<pre>e.getY()</pre>	the y-coordinate of mouse cursor in the window

```
// create a small circle wherever the user clicks
public void mousePressed(MouseEvent event) {
    int x = event.getX();
    int y = event.getY();
    println("You clicked x=" + x + ", y=" + y);
}
```

# getElementAt

- The GraphicsProgram contains a method **getElementAt** that accepts x/y parameters and returns the graphical object found at that position in the window.
  - If multiple objects are there, it returns the "top" one in the Z-order.
  - It could return any type of graphic object.

```
GRect obj = getElementAt(x, y);
```

# getElementAt details

• If you aren't sure what type of shape might be returned, specify your variable as type GObject, which can be any graphic object.

```
// could return any type of graphical object
GObject obj = getElementAt(x, y);
...
```

• To search multiple x/y locations, pass additional coordinates.

```
// search (x1,y1), then (x2,y2), then (x3,y3), ... GObject obj = getElementAt(x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3);
```

# Exception

- If the user clicks an area with no mole, the program crashes.
  - A program crash in Java is called an exception.
  - When you get an exception, Eclipse shows red error text.
  - The error text shows the line number where the error occurred.



#### Null

```
    null: A special constant value meaning, "no object."

    getElementAt returns null if no object is at that position.

    You can check for null using the == and != operators.

  GObject mole = getElementAt(x, y);
  if (mole != null) {
       remove(mole);
  // alternate syntax: use hasElementAt to avoid null
  if (hasElementAt(x, y)) {
       GObject mole = getElementAt(x, y);
       remove(mole);
```

#### **Animation**

# Simple animation

A Graphics program can be made to animate with a loop such as:

```
public void run() {
    ...
    while (test) {
        update the position of shapes;
        pause(milliseconds);
    }
}
```

- The best number of ms to pause depends on the program.
  - most video games ~= 50 frames/sec = 25ms pause

# **Graphical methods**

• These methods in graphical objects can be useful for animation:

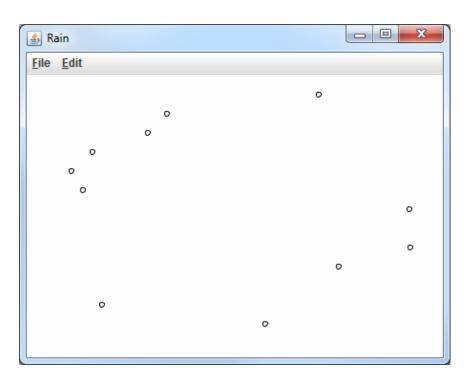
Method	Description
<pre>obj.getX()</pre>	the left x-coordinate of the shape
<pre>obj.getY()</pre>	the top y-coordinate of the shape
<pre>obj.getWidth()</pre>	number of pixels wide the shape is
<pre>obj.getHeight()</pre>	number of pixels tall the shape is
<pre>obj.move(dx, dy);</pre>	adjusts location by the given amount
<pre>obj.setLocation(x, y);</pre>	change the object's x/y position
<pre>obj.setSize(w, h);</pre>	change the object's width*height size

• The GraphicsProgram itself has these methods, too:

<pre>getWidth()</pre>	number of pixels wide the window is
<pre>getHeight()</pre>	number of pixels tall the window is
setSize( <b>w</b> , <b>h</b> )	change the window's width*height size

#### Raindrop animation

- Write a graphics program Rain that simulates "rainfall".
  - Every half-second, a new raindrop (5x5 black oval) is added to the top of the window at a random horizontal location.
  - The raindrops fall down the screen at a rate of 2px every 50ms.
  - Variation: Make it also add a new raindrop wherever the user clicks.



#### Process all shapes

You can loop over all the shapes in your graphical program:

```
// a "for each" loop over all shapes on screen
for (GObject obj : this) {
    do something with obj;
}
```

 This is a loop where each shape is returned one at a time and temporarily called obj. You can move or modify that shape.

#### Limitations/drawbacks:

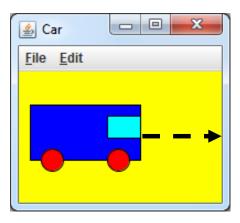
- Cannot **remove** a shape from the screen inside the loop (crashes!)
  - But can move the shape, change its color, etc.
- Returns all shapes; not possible to exclude particular ones.

# Raindrop solution

```
import acm.graphics.*;
import acm.program.*;
import acm.util.*;
public class Rain extends GraphicsProgram {
    public void run() {
        RandomGenerator rg = RandomGenerator.getInstance();
        int time = 0;
        while (true) {
            // make all the raindrops fall by 2px
            for (GObject drop : this) {
                drop.move(0, 2);
            if (time % 500 == 0) {    // add a new raindrop
                int rainX = rg.nextInt(0, getWidth() - 5);
                add(new GOval(rainX, 0, 5, 5));
            pause(50); // sleep for animation
            time += 50;
```

#### **Animated car**

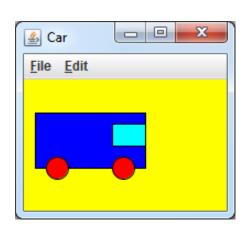
- Write a variation of the Car program where the car drives forward with acceleration until it hits the "wall" (edge of the window).
  - Can you make the car turn around when it hits the right wall?
  - Can you make the car "accelerate" as it drives further?



# GCompound

- Sometimes it is useful to create a *compound shape* that represents several shapes grouped into one.
  - Makes it easy to perform a bulk operation on all shapes together.

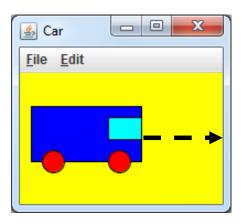
```
GCompound compound = new GCompound();
compound.add(shape);
...
compound.add(shape);
add(compound);
```



Make a GCompound to represent a car.

#### **Animated car crash**

- Modify our program so that the car drives forward with acceleration until it hits the "wall" (edge of the window).
  - Once it hits either edge, it should turn around and move in the other direction.
  - Can you make the car "accelerate" as it drives further?



#### **Animated solution**

```
public class CarAnimated extends GraphicsProgram {
    public void run() {
        setBackground(Color.YELLOW);
        GCompound car = new GCompound();
        GRect body = new GRect(10, 30, 100, 50);
        body.setFilled(true);
        body.setFillColor(Color.BLUE);
        car.add(body);
        GOval wheel1 = new GOval(20, 70, 20, 20);
        wheel1.setFilled(true);
        wheel1.setFillColor(Color.RED);
        car.add(wheel1);
        GOval wheel2 = new GOval(80, 70, 20, 20);
        wheel2.setFilled(true);
        wheel2.setFillColor(Color.RED);
        car.add(wheel2);
        GRect windshield = new GRect(80, 40, 30, 20);
        windshield.setFilled(true);
        windshield.setFillColor(Color.CYAN);
        car.add(windshield);
        add(car);
```

# Animated solution, cont'd.

```
// animation loop
double velocityX = 0.0;
double acceleration = 0.01;
while (true) {
    car.move(velocityX, 0);
    velocityX += acceleration;
    if ((car.getX() + car.getWidth() >= getWidth()
            && velocityX > 0) ||
            (car.getX() <= 0 && velocityX < 0)) {</pre>
        velocityX = -velocityX;
        acceleration = -acceleration;
    pause(10);
```