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The GWindow Class Revisited

The following expanded set of methods are available in the **GWindow** class:

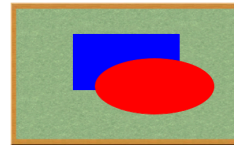
add (<i>object</i>)	Adds the object to the canvas at the front of the stack
add (<i>object</i> , <i>x</i> , <i>y</i>)	Moves the object to (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>) and then adds it to the canvas
remove (<i>object</i>)	Removes the object from the canvas
removeAll ()	Removes all objects from the canvas
getElementAt (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>)	Returns the frontmost object at (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>), or null if none
getWidth ()	Returns the width in pixels of the entire canvas
getHeight ()	Returns the height in pixels of the entire canvas
setBackground (<i>c</i>)	Sets the background color of the canvas to <i>c</i> .

Methods Common to All GObjects

setLocation (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>)	Resets the location of the object to the specified point
move (<i>dx</i> , <i>dy</i>)	Moves the object <i>dx</i> and <i>dy</i> pixels from its current position
movePolar (<i>r</i> , <i>theta</i>)	Moves the object <i>r</i> pixel units in direction <i>theta</i>
getX ()	Returns the <i>x</i> coordinate of the object
getY ()	Returns the <i>y</i> coordinate of the object
getWidth ()	Returns the horizontal width of the object in pixels
getHeight ()	Returns the vertical height of the object in pixels
contains (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>)	Returns true if the object contains the specified point
setColor (<i>c</i>)	Sets the color of the object to the color <i>c</i>
getColor ()	Returns the color currently assigned to the object
scale (<i>sf</i>)	Scales the shape by the scale factor <i>sf</i>
rotate (<i>theta</i>)	Rotates the shape counterclockwise by <i>theta</i> degrees
sendToFront ()	Sends the object to the front of the stacking order
sendToBack ()	Sends the object to the back of the stacking order
sendForward ()	Sends the object forward one position in the stacking order
sendBackward ()	Sends the object backward one position in the stacking order

Review: The Collage Model

- SJS uses the same graphics model that we have used for the last decade, which is based on the metaphor of a *collage*.
- A collage is similar to a child's felt board that serves as a backdrop for colored shapes that stick to the felt surface. As an example, the following diagram illustrates the process of adding a blue rectangle and a red oval to a felt board:



- Note that newer objects can obscure those added earlier. This layering arrangement is called the *stacking order*.

The Two Forms of the add Method

- The **add** method comes in two forms. The first is simply

```
add (object) ;
```

which adds the object at the location currently stored in its internal structure. You use this form when you have already set the coordinates of the object, which usually happens at the time you create it.

- The second form is

```
add (object, x, y) ;
```

which first moves the object to the point (*x*, *y*) and then adds it there. This form is useful when you need to determine some property of the object before you know where to put it.

Additional Methods for GOval and GRect

Fillable shapes (**GOval** and **GRect** [and later **GArc** and **GPolygon**])

setFilled (<i>flag</i>)	Sets the fill state for the object (false =outlined, true =filled)
isFilled ()	Returns the fill state for the object
setFillColor (<i>c</i>)	Sets the color used to fill the interior of the object to <i>c</i>
getFillColor ()	Returns the fill color

Resizable shapes (**GOval** and **GRect** [and later **GImage**])

setSize (<i>width</i> , <i>height</i>)	Sets the dimensions of the object as specified
setBounds (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>width</i> , <i>height</i>)	Sets the location and dimensions together

Additional Methods for GLine

<code>setStartPoint(x, y)</code>	Sets the start point without changing the end point
<code>setEndPoint(x, y)</code>	Sets the end point without changing the start point

```
function LineGeometryExample() {  
  var gw = GWindow(GWINDOW_WIDTH, GWINDOW_HEIGHT);  
  var line = GLine(0, 0, 100, 100);  
  gw.add(line);  
  line.setLocation(200, 50);  
  line.setStartPoint(200, 150);  
  line.setEndPoint(300, 50);  
}
```



The End