

OBJECT-ORIENTED PROGRAMMING

## 9. GUI PROGRAMMING WITH AWT & SWING

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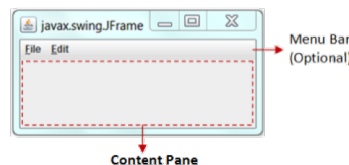
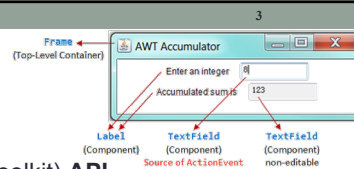
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## AWT and Swing

### • AWT (Abstract Windowing Toolkit) API

- From JDK 1.0
- Most components have become **obsolete** and should be replaced by **Swing** components



### • Swing API

- From JDK 1.1, as a part of **Java Foundation Classes (JFC)**
- A much more comprehensive set of graphics libraries that enhances the AWT
- JFC consists of **Swing**, **Java2D**, **Accessibility**, **Internationalization**, and **Pluggable Look-and-Feel Support APIs**.

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## JavaFX

- **JavaFX** is a software platform for creating and delivering desktop applications, as well as **rich internet applications (RIAs)** that can run across a wide variety of devices.
- **JavaFX** is intended to replace **Swing** as the standard **GUI library for Java SE**, but both will be included for the foreseeable future.

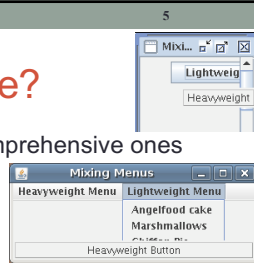
*IFX is just a name, which is normally related with sound or visual effects in the javafx i was in the belief that the fx was function. ... FIPS stands for the Federal Information Processing Standardization*

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## Which should we choose?

- **AWT**: for simple GUI, but not for comprehensive ones
  - Native OS GUI
  - Platform-independent and device-independent interface
  - Heavyweight components
- **Swing**: Pure Java code with a more robust, versatile, and flexible library
  - Use AWT for windows and event handling
  - Pure-Java GUI, 100% portable and same across platform
  - Most components are light-weight, different look-and-feel
- **JavaFX**: for developing rich Internet applications
  - Can run across a wide variety of devices
  - More consistent in style and has additional options, e.g. 3D, chart, audio, video...



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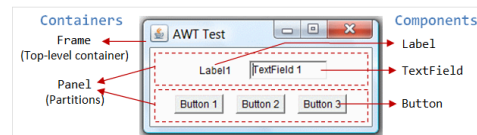
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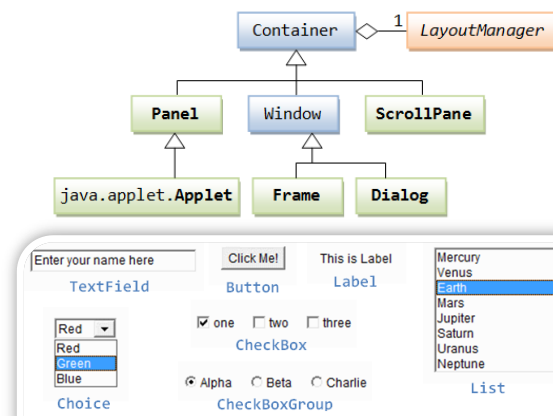
## AWT UI Elements

- **Component**: Components are elementary GUI entities, e.g. Button, Label, and TextField
  - GUI components are also called **controls** (Microsoft ActiveX Control), **widgets** (Eclipse's Standard Widget Toolkit, Google Web Toolkit), which allow users to interact with the application through these components (such as button-click and text-entry)
- **Container**: Containers (e.g. Frame, Panel and Applet) are used to hold components in a specific layout (such as flow or grid). A container can also hold sub-containers.

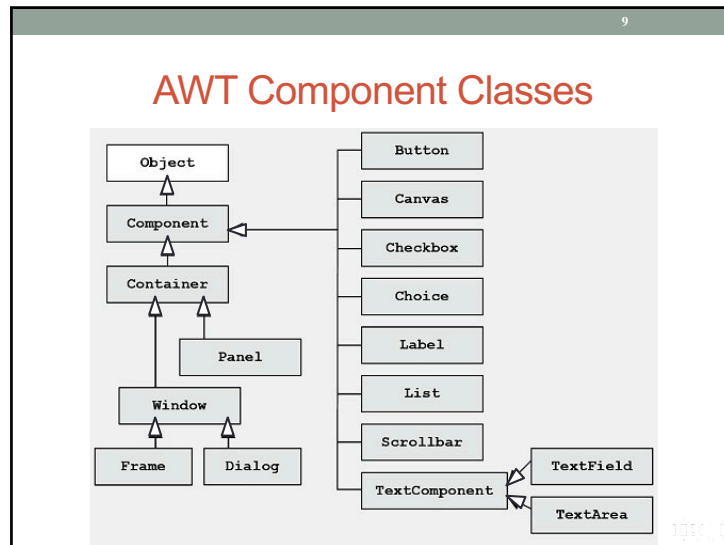


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## AWT Container Classes



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### Example: AWT Counter

```

import java.awt.Button;
import java.awt.Frame;
import java.awt.Label;
import java.awt.TextField;
import java.awt.event.ActionListener;

public class AWTCounter
    extends Frame {
    private Label lblCount;
    private TextField tfCount;
    private Button btnCount;
    private int count = 0; // Counter's value

    // Setup GUI components
    public AWTCounter () {
        setLayout(new FlowLayout());

        lblCount = new Label("Counter");
        add(lblCount);

        tfCount = new TextField("0", 10);
        // set to read-only
        tfCount.setEditable(false);
        add(tfCount);

        btnCount = new Button("Count");
        add(btnCount);
    }

    // ActionEvent handler - Called back upon button-click.
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
        ++count;
        // Display the counter value on the TextField
        tfCount.setText(count + "");
    }
}
  
```

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### Example: AWT Counter with Event Handling

```

import java.awt.Button;
import java.awt.Frame;
import java.awt.Label;
import java.awt.TextField;
import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
import java.awt.event.ActionListener;

public class AWTCounter
    extends Frame implements ActionListener {
    private Label lblCount;
    private TextField tfCount;
    private Button btnCount;
    private int count = 0; // Counter's value

    // Setup GUI components and event handling
    public AWTCounter () {
        setLayout(new FlowLayout());

        lblCount = new Label("Counter");
        add(lblCount);

        tfCount = new TextField("0", 10);
        tfCount.setEditable(false); // set to read-only
        add(tfCount);

        btnCount = new Button("Count");
        add(btnCount);

        //Clicking Button source fires ActionEvent
        //btnCount registers this instance as ActionEvent
        btnCount.addActionListener(this);

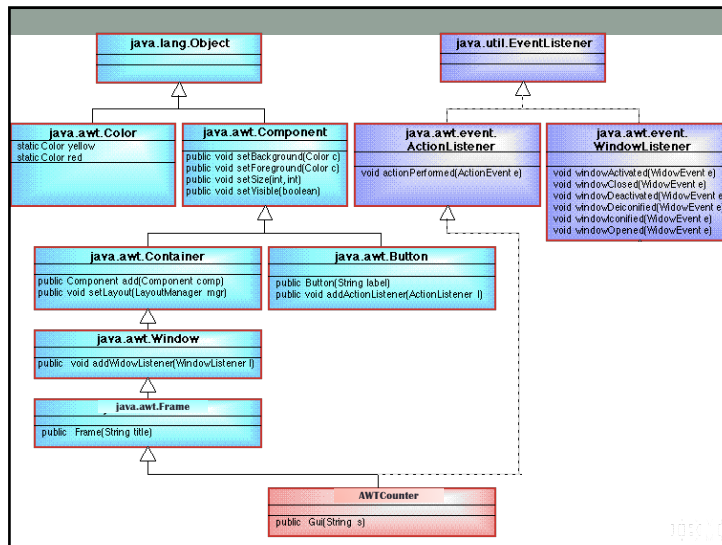
        setTitle("AWT Counter");
        setSize(250, 100);

        setVisible(true);
    }

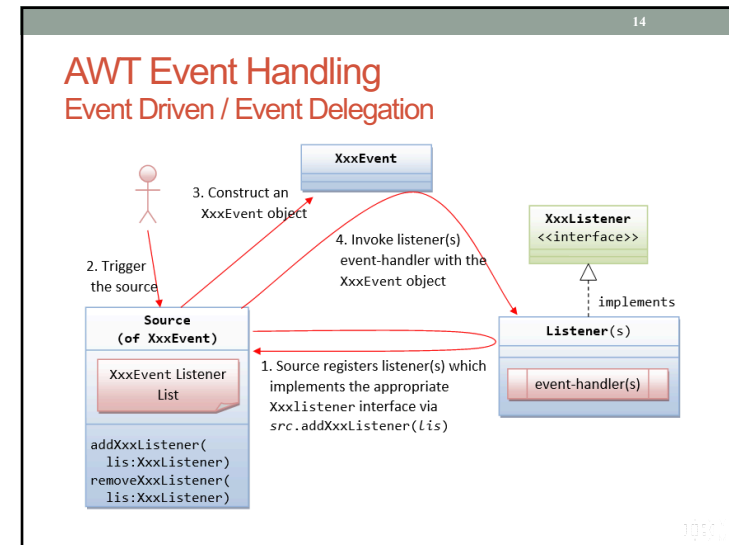
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}
  
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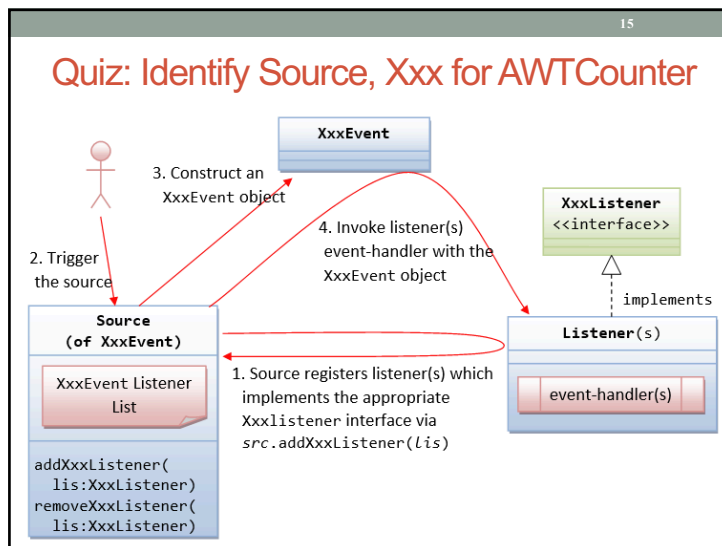
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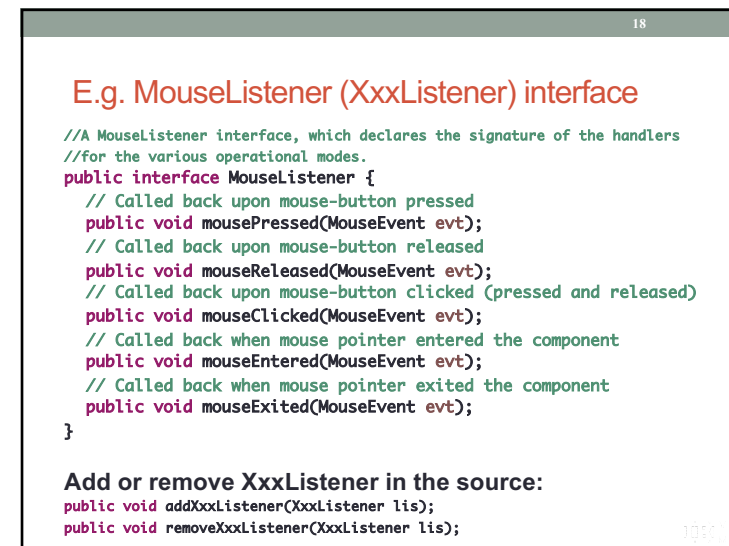
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```
//An example provides implementation to the event handler methods
class MyMouseListener implements MouseListener {
    @Override
    public void mousePressed(MouseEvent e) {
        System.out.println("Mouse-button pressed!");
    }
    @Override
    public void mouseReleased(MouseEvent e) {
        System.out.println("Mouse-button released!");
    }
    @Override
    public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent e) {
        System.out.println("Mouse-button clicked (pressed and released)!");
    }
    @Override
    public void mouseEntered(MouseEvent e) {
        System.out.println("Mouse-pointer entered the source component!");
    }
    @Override
    public void mouseExited(MouseEvent e) {
        System.out.println("Mouse exited-pointer the source component!");
    }
}
```

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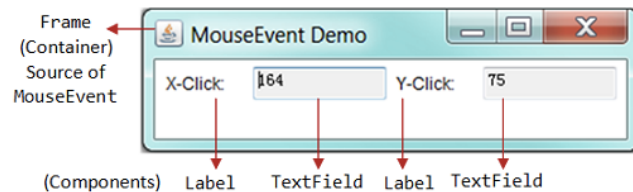
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import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;

public class MouseEventDemo extends Frame {
    private TextField tfMouseX; // to display mouse-click-x
    private TextField tfMouseY; // to display mouse-click-y
    //setup the UI components and event handlers
    public MouseEventDemo() {
        setLayout(new FlowLayout());
        add(new Label("X-Click: "));
        tfMouseX = new TextField(10); // 10 columns
        tfMouseX.setEditable(false);    add(tfMouseX);
        add(new Label("Y-Click: "));    tfMouseY = new TextField(10);
        tfMouseY.setEditable(false);    add(tfMouseY);
        /* "super" frame (source) fires the MouseEvent and adds an anonymous
        instance of MyMouseListener as a MouseEvent listener */
        addMouseListener(new MyMouseListener());
        setTitle("MouseEvent Demo");    setSize(350, 100);    setVisible(true);
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        new MouseEventDemo(); // Let the constructor do the job
    }
}
```

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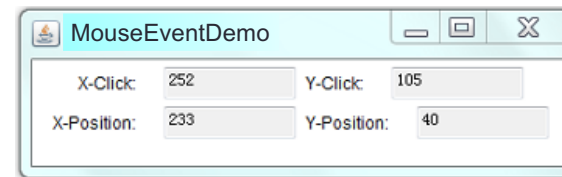
## Quiz: MouseEventDemo

- Source: ?
- XxxEvent: ?
- What happens when running the program?



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## Exercise: Modify MouseEventDemo with more mouse events



```
public interface MouseMotionListener {
    /* Called-back when a mouse-button is pressed on the
    source component and then dragged. */
    public void mouseDragged(MouseEvent e);
    /* Called-back when the mouse-pointer has been moved onto the
    source component but no buttons have been pushed. */
    public void mouseMoved(MouseEvent e);
}
```

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## Exercise: Modify AWTCounter with window events

- Show the dialog box with a corresponding message for each event in WindowListener interface
- close/open window
- activate/deactivate window
- iconify/deiconify window

```

java.awt.event.
WindowListener

void windowActivated(WindowEvent e)
void windowClosed(WindowEvent e)
void windowDeactivated(WindowEvent e)
void windowDeiconified(WindowEvent e)
void windowIconified(WindowEvent e)
void windowOpened(WindowEvent e)
    
```

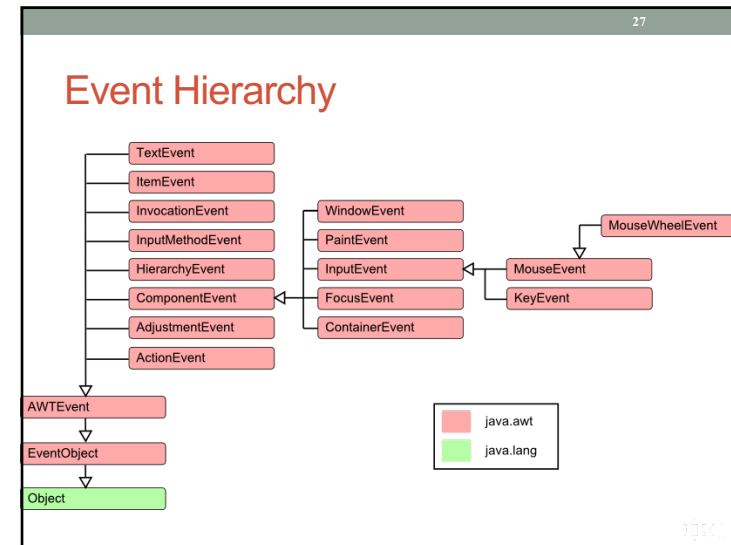
Frame (Container) Source of WindowEvent

WindowEvent Demo

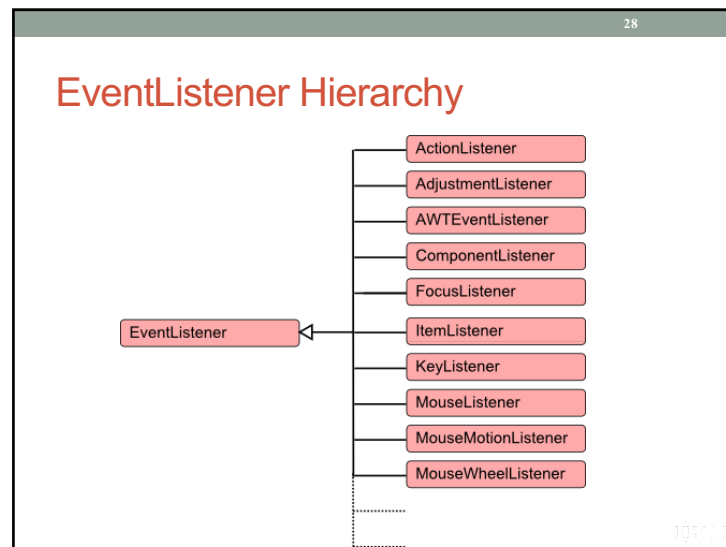
windowClosing()

windowIconified()/windowDeiconified()

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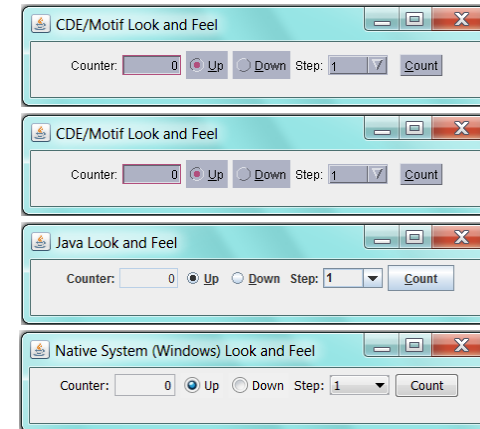
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## Java Swing

- Light Weight: Pure Java code
  - Freeland of native operational System's API
- Use the Swing components with prefix "J", e.g. JFrame, JButton, JTextField, JLabel, etc.
  - Advanced controls like Tree, color picker, table controls, TabbedPane, slider.
- Uses the AWT event-handling classes
- Highly Customizable
  - Often made-to-order in a very simple method as visual appearance is freeland of content.
- Pluggable look-and-feel
  - Modified at run-time, supported by accessible values.

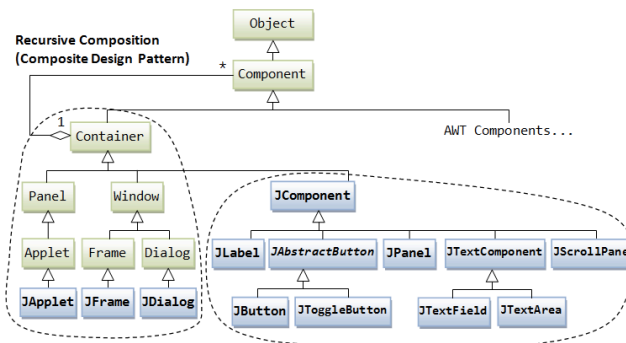
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## Swing – Different Look & Feel



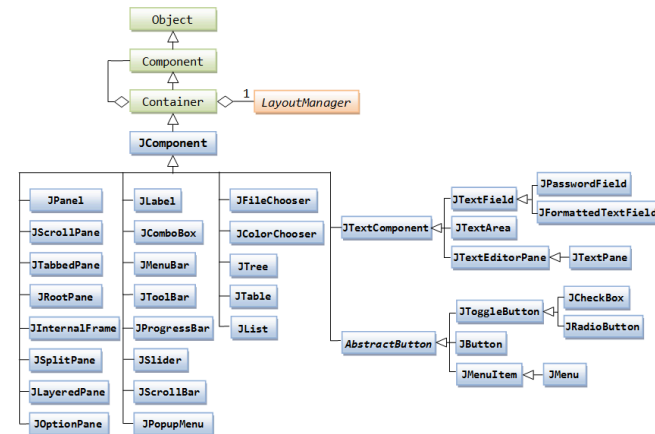
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## AWT and Swing Elements



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## Swing Containers and Components

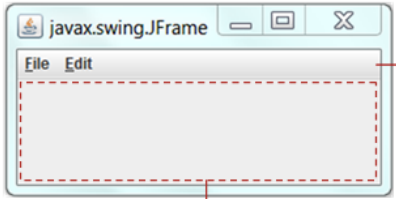


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## Containers and ContentPane

`javax.swing.JFrame`



Menu Bar (Optional)

Content Pane

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Container cp = aJFrame.getContentPane();
aJFrame.setContentPane(aPanel);
```

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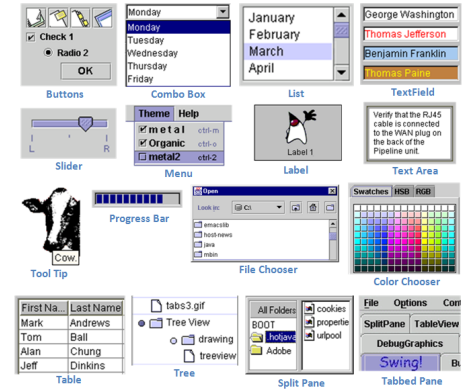
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## Swing components

Swing is huge (consists of 18 packages of 737 classes as in JDK 1.8) and has great depth

Compare to AWT:  
12 packages of 370 classes



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```
//A Swing GUI application inherits from top-level container
public class SwingTemplate extends JFrame {
    // Constructor to setup the GUI components and event handlers
    public SwingTemplate() {
        // top-level content-pane from JFrame
        Container cp = getContentPane();
        cp.setLayout(new ....Layout());

        // Allocate the GUI components
        cp.add(....); //...

        // Source object adds listener
        setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        // Exit the program when the close-window button clicked
        setTitle("....."); // "super" JFrame sets title
        setSize(300, 150); // "super" JFrame sets initial size
        setVisible(true); // "super" JFrame shows
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        new SwingTemplate();
    }
}
```

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### Example: SwingCounter

```
public class SwingCounter extends JFrame {
    private JTextField tfCount;
    private JButton btnCount;
    private int count = 0;
    public SwingCounter() {
        // Retrieve the content-pane of the top-level container JFrame
        // All operations done on the content-pane
        Container cp = getContentPane(); cp.setLayout(new
        FlowLayout());
        cp.add(new JLabel("Counter"));
        tfCount = new JTextField("0");
        tfCount.setEditable(false); cp.add(tfCount);
        btnCount = new JButton("Count"); cp.add(btnCount);

        /* btnCount adds an anonymous instance of BtnCountListener (a
        named inner class) as a ActionListener */
        btnCount.addActionListener(new BtnCountListener());

        setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        setTitle("Swing Counter"); setSize(300, 100);
        setVisible(true);
    }
}
```

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```

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/** * BtnCountListener is a "named inner class" used as
ActionListener. This inner class can access private
variables of the outer class. */
private class BtnCountListener implements ActionListener {
    @Override public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent evt) {
        ++count;
        tfCount.setText(count + "");
    }
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    // Run GUI codes in Event-Dispatching thread
    // for thread-safety
    SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
        @Override public void run() {
            new SwingCounter();
        }
    });
}
}

```

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```

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Inner class

• A nested class (or commonly called inner class) is a
class defined inside another class

public class MyOuterClass {
    // outer class defined here .....
    // an nested class defined inside the outer class
    private class MyNestedClass1 { ..... }
    // an "static" nested class defined inside the outer class
    public static class MyNestedClass2 { ..... }
    .....
}

```

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```

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Properties of inner classes

• a normal class: can contain constructors, member
variables and member methods, can also be
declared static, final or abstract, can be created instances
• Is a member of the outer class, just like any member
variables and methods defined inside a class
• Can access the private members (variables/methods) of
the enclosing outer class, as it is at the same level as
these private members
• Can have private, public, protected, or the default access,
just like any member variables and methods defined
inside a class
    • A private inner class is only accessible by the enclosing outer
class, and is not accessible by any other classes
• NOT a subclass of the outer class

```

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```

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public class SwingCounter extends JFrame {
    private JTextField tfCount;
    private JButton btnCount;
    private int count = 0;
    public SwingCounter() {
        ...
        btnCount.addActionListener(new BtnCountListener());
        ...
    }
    //... (main)
    /* Allocate an anonymous instance of an anonymous inner
class that implements ActionListener as ActionEvent
listener */
    btnCount.addActionListener(new ActionListener() {
        @Override public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent evt) {
            ++count;
            tfCount.setText(count + "");
        }
    });
}

```

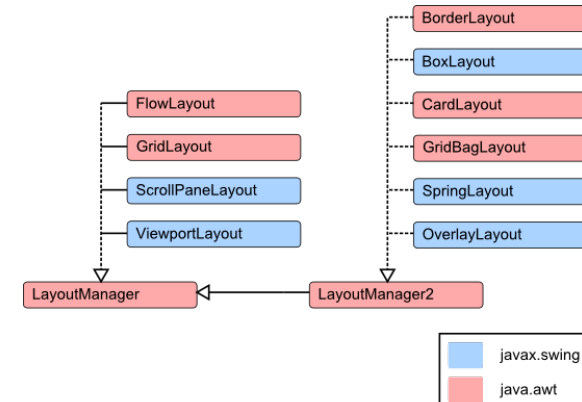
**Anonymous Inner Class**

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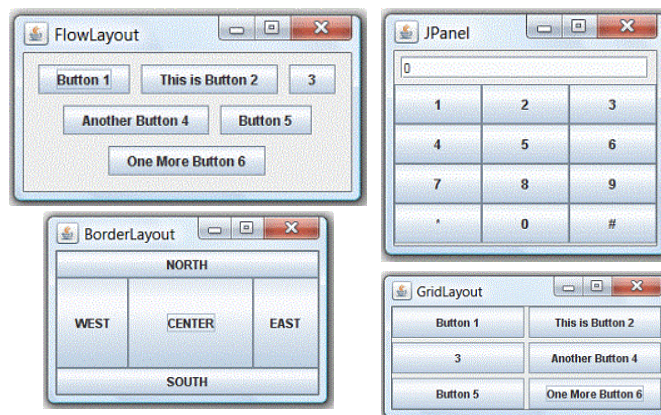
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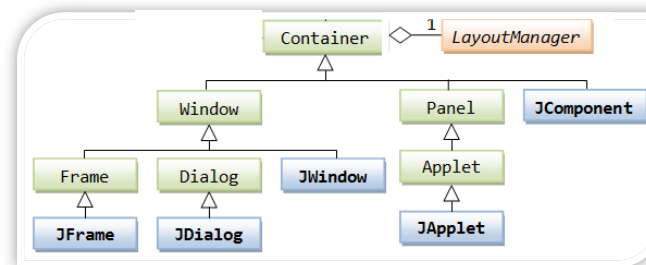


## Layout management



## Set layout for a container

```
// java.awt.Container
public void setLayout(LayoutManager mgr)
```



## Setup a layout for a container

- Construct an instance of the chosen layout object, via new and constructor, e.g., new FlowLayout()
- Invoke the setLayout() method of the Container, with the layout object created as the argument;
- Place the GUI components into the Container using the add() method in the correct order; or into the correct zones.

```
Panel pnl = new Panel();
// Add a new Layout object to the Panel container
pnl.setLayout(new FlowLayout());
// The Panel container adds components in a proper order
pnl.add(new JLabel("One"));
pnl.add(new JLabel("Two"));
pnl.add(new JLabel("Three"));
```

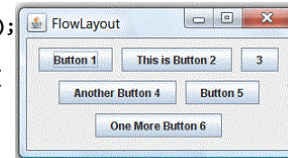
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## E.g. FlowLayout

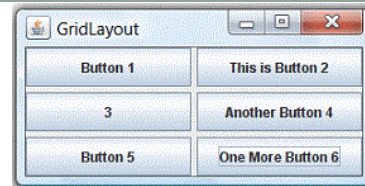
```
public class AWTFLOWLayoutDemo extends Frame {
    private Button btn1, btn2, btn3, btn4, btn5, btn6;
    public AWTFLOWLayoutDemo () {
        // from left-to-right, and flow from top-to-bottom
        setLayout(new FlowLayout());
        btn1 = new Button("Button 1");      add(btn1);
        btn2 = new Button("This is Button 2"); add(btn2);
        btn3 = new Button("3");             add(btn3);
        btn4 = new Button("Another Button 4"); add(btn4);
        btn5 = new Button("Button 5");      add(btn5);
        btn6 = new Button("One More Button 6"); add(btn6);

        setTitle("FlowLayout Demo");
        setSize(280, 150); setVisible(true);
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        new AWTFLOWLayoutDemo();
    }
}
```



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## E.g. GridLayout



```
...
/* set layout to 3x2
GridLayout, horizontal and vertical gaps of 3 pixels,
components are added from left-to-right, top-to-bottom */
setLayout(new GridLayout(3, 2, 3, 3));
btn1 = new Button("Button 1");      add(btn1);
btn2 = new Button("This is Button 2"); add(btn2);
btn3 = new Button("3");             add(btn3);
btn4 = new Button("Another Button 4"); add(btn4);
btn5 = new Button("Button 5");      add(btn5);
btn6 = new Button("One More Button 6"); add(btn6);
...
```

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