

Graphic User Interface (GUI) & Basic Listener





Outlines

- › History
- › JavaFX components
- › Starting using GUI
- › Basic structure (stage, scene, scene graph, node)
- › Layout
- › Chart
- › Scene builder
- › FXML
- › Style
- › Binding properties
- › Basic event handling



History

- › AWT is Java's original set of classes for building GUIs
 - Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT)
 - `import java.awt.*`
 - Uses peer components of the OS; heavyweight
 - **Not truly portable:** looks different and lays out inconsistently on different OSs
 - › Due to OS's underlying display management system
- › Swing is designed to solve AWT's problems
 - `import javax.swing.*`
 - Extends AWT
 - 99% java; lightweight components
 - Layout consistently on all OSs
 - Uses AWT event handling



History (cont.)

› JavaFX

- JAVA + FLASH + FLEX
- An API included in Java SE 8 for UI development
- The successor of Java Swing
- 100% java; lightweight component
- Swing Node (embed Swing in JavaFX)
- More features
 - › Data binding
 - › FXML (mark-up language for designing UI)
 - › CSS
 - › Charts.
 - › 3D Support
 - › Etc.

› We will learn JavaFX in this class



JavaFX components

› Containers

- Anchor Pane, Stack Pane, Tab Pane, HBox, VBox, ...

› UI Controls

- Accordion, Label, Button, RadioButton, CheckBox, TextField, TextArea, Slider, Tooltip, ComboBox, ProgressBar, DatePicker, ColorPicker, ...

› Shapes

- Line, Rectangle, Ellipse, Path, Circle, Arc, Polygon, Polyline, Curve, Text

› Charts

- LineChart, PieChart, AreaChart, BarChart, ScatterChart, BubbleChart



JavaFX components (cont.)

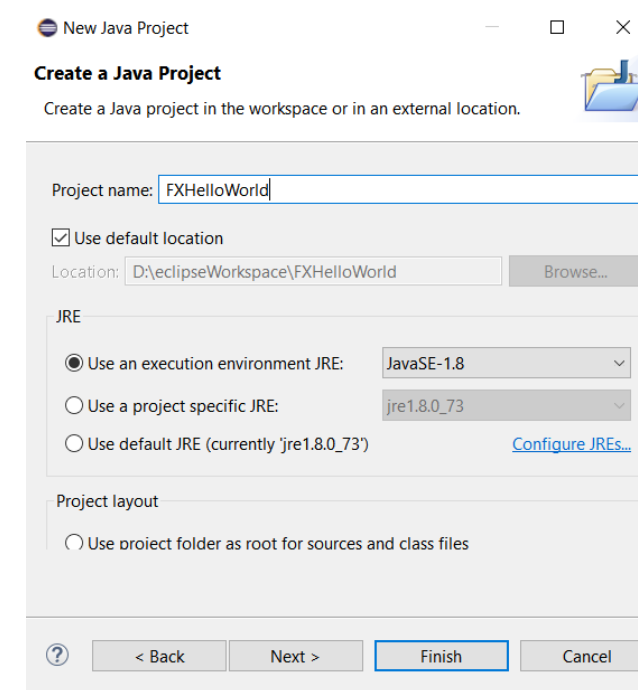
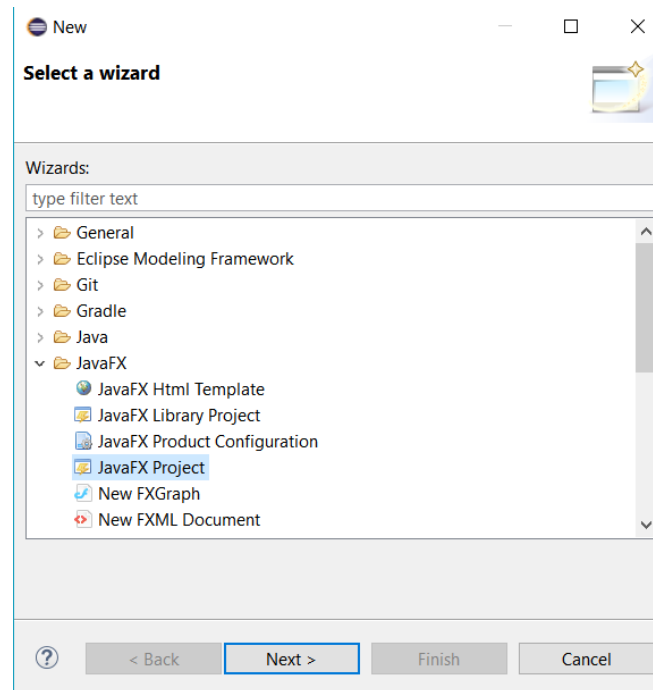


Reference: http://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/ui_controls/overview.htm



Create JavaFX project in Eclipse

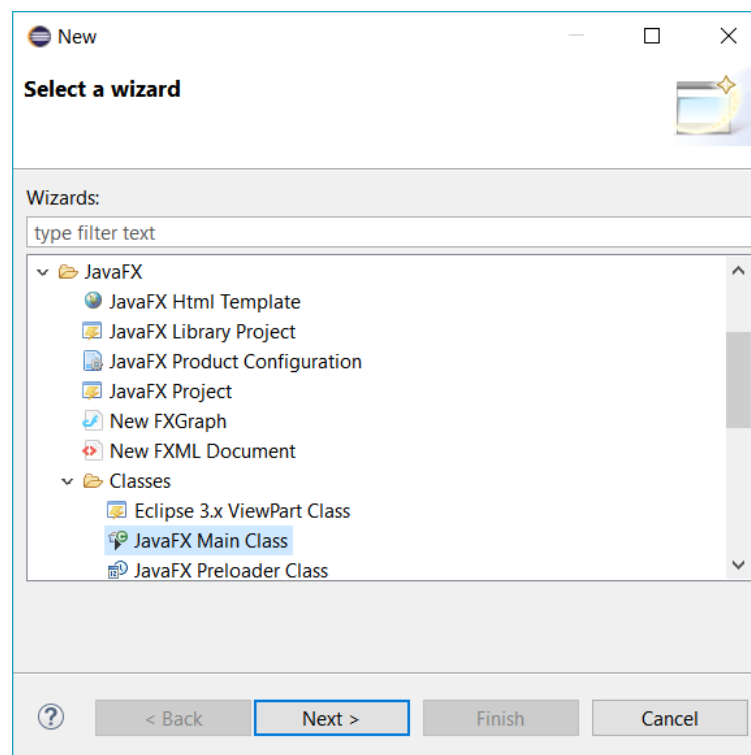
- › Go to File > New > Other
- › Select JavaFX > JavaFXProject
- › Fill Project Name
- › Finish





Create JavaFX Class

- › New › other
- › javaFX › Classes › JavaFX Main Class





JavaFX HelloWorld Example

FXHelloWorld.java

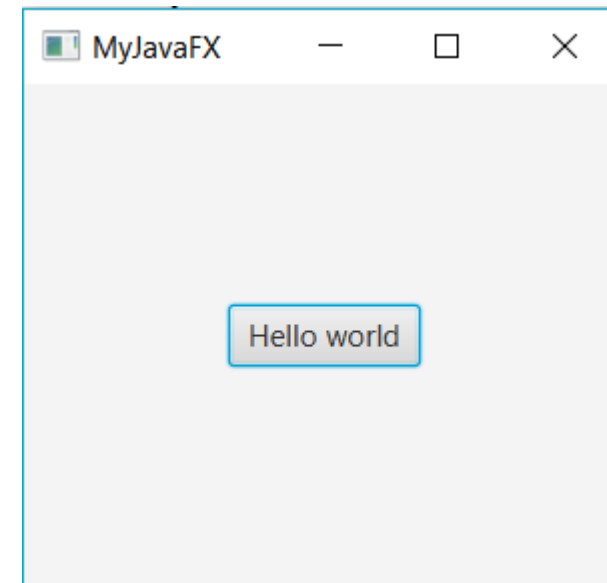
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May not
compile at all!





Exception : The type 'Button' is not API

- › Go into the project's build path and edited the JRE System Library, the Java 8 execution environment was selected.
- › Choose to use an "Alernate JRE" then it will fix this error for you.

Accessibility problem
in Eclipse Oxygen



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solution 2 is to change the access restrictions.

- Go to the properties of your Java project,
 - i.e. by selecting "Properties" from the context menu of the project in the "Package Explorer".
- Go to "Java Build Path", tab "Libraries".
- Expand the library entry
- select
 - "Access rules",
 - "Edit..." and
 - "Add..." a "Resolution: Accessible" with a corresponding rule pattern. For example:

`javafx/**`



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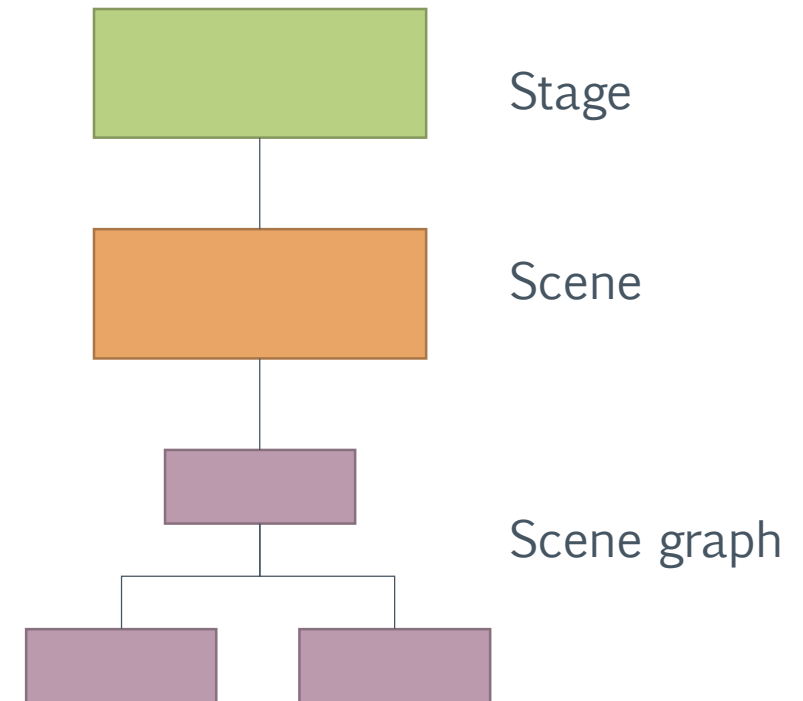
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- Extends `Application` (`javafx.application.Application`)
- Override the `start()` method
- Call `launch()` (`Application.launch()`)
 - The framework internals call the `start()` method to start
- Then, `javafx.stage.Stage` object is available to use



Basic structure

- › JavaFX application contains one or more **stages** which corresponds to **windows**
- › Each **stage** has a **scene**
- › Each **scene** can has **scene graph** (hierarchical tree of nodes)
- › Node (UI Components such as control, layout)





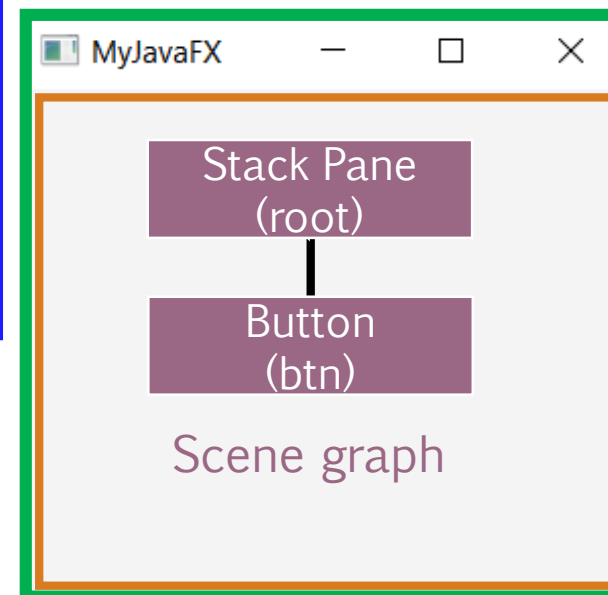
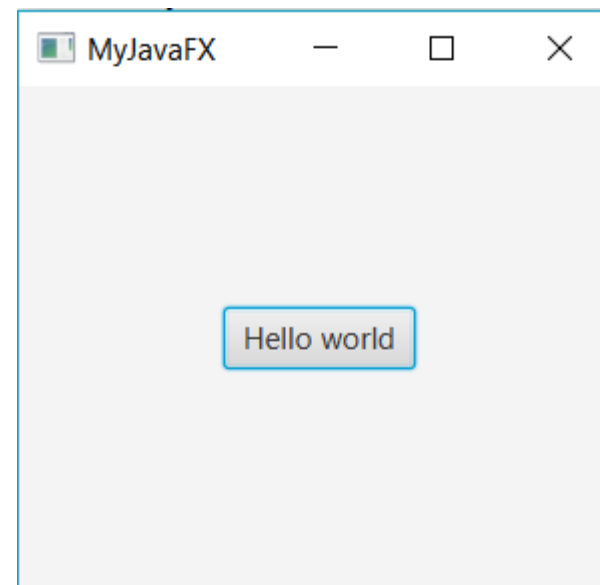
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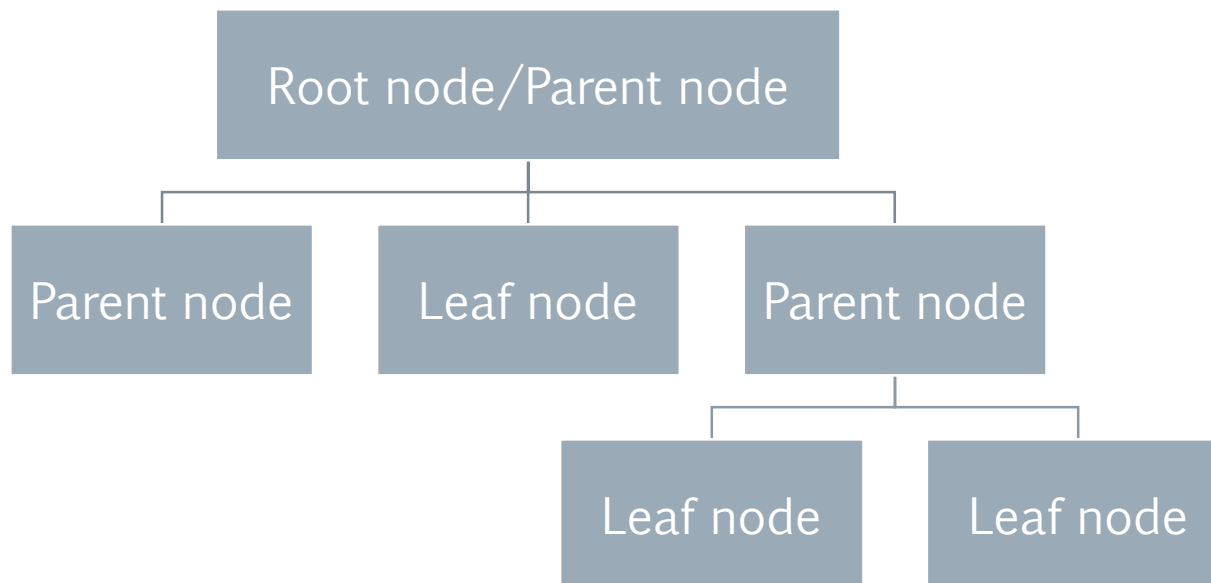
→ Stage
javafx.stage (window)

→ Scene
javafx.scene



Scene graphs

- › In JavaFX, contents (such as text, images, and UI controls) are organized using a **tree-like** data structure known as **scene graph**
- › A scene graph is **hierarchical tree of nodes**





Nodes

- › GUI component object, such as geometric shapes, UI controls, layout panes, and 3D objects.
- › 3 types of nodes
 - Root Node
 - › Parent of all other nodes
 - › Scene graph can have only one root node.
 - Parent Node (group of nodes)
 - › Can have other nodes as children
 - Leaf Node
 - › Cannot have children
 - › Not container



Nodes (cont.)

- › Node can have the following:
 - ID
 - Style
 - Class
 - Bounding volume
 - Effects such as blurs and shadows
 - Event handlers (such as mouse, keyboard)
- › Add nodes to parent

```
myParent.getChildren().add(childNode);
```

or

```
myParent.getChildren().addAll(childNode1, childNode2);
```



Using GUI Component

› Java: GUI component = class

› Properties



› Methods



› Events



Button

Using a GUI component

› 1. Create it

```
Button btn = new Button("Hello world");
```

› 2. Configure it

```
// using getter/setter to access properties  
(text)
```

```
btn.setText("Hello world"); // methods
```

› 3. Add it to parent

```
root.getChildren().add(btn);
```

› 4. Listen to it

Events: Listeners



Using a GUI Component

1. Create it
2. Configure it
3. Add children (if root or parent node (container))
4. Add to parent (if not root node)
5. Listen to it

order
important





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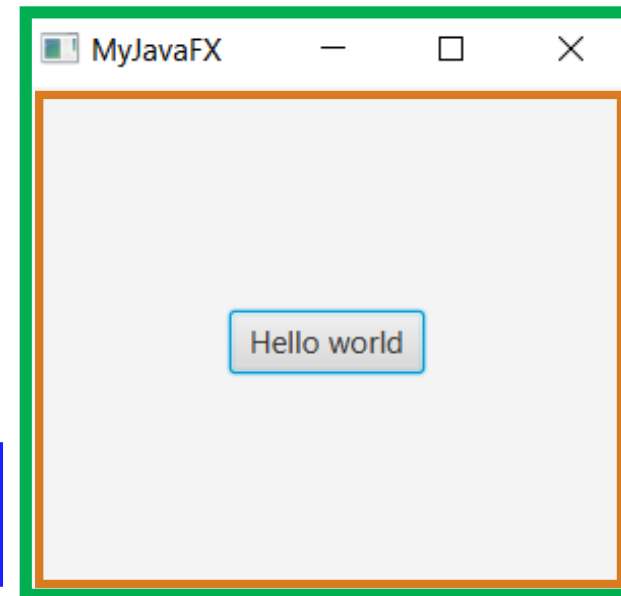
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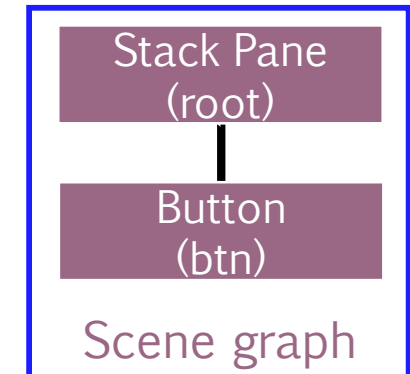
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javafx.stage (window)

Scene
javafx.scene





Scene

- › Container for all contents in a scene graph
- › **Root node** of the scene graph is **required** for creating Scene

```
Scene scene = new Scene(root, 300, 250);
```

- › Be able to set size, color etc.
- › If size is not specified, automatically compute based on its contents



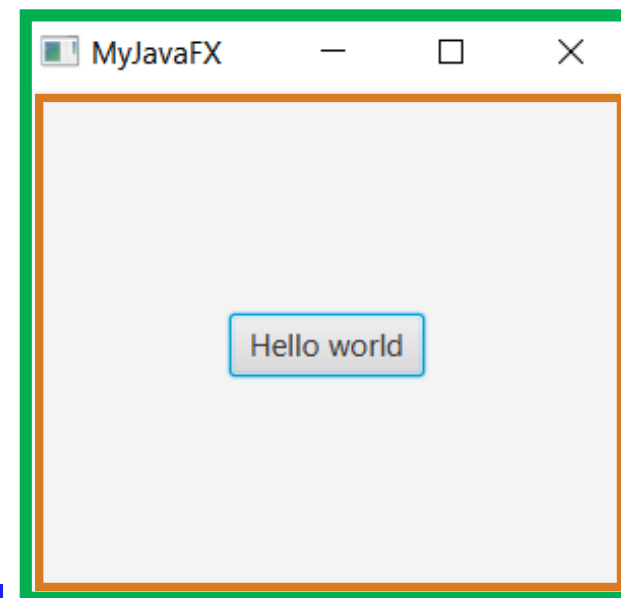
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Stack Pane
(root)

Button
(btn)

Scene graph



Stage

- › javafx.stage package
- › Top level container of the application.
- › Usually, OS Window.
- › The **main stage** is created as part of the application launch and **passed as an argument in start** method

```
public void start(Stage primaryStage)
```

- › Be able to set title, size, icon etc.
- › Single application can have multiple stages



Stage (cont.)

- › Set Stage title

```
primaryStage.setTitle("MyJavaFX");
```

- › Set scene to stage

```
primaryStage.setScene(scene);
```

- › Show the stage

```
primaryStage.show();
```



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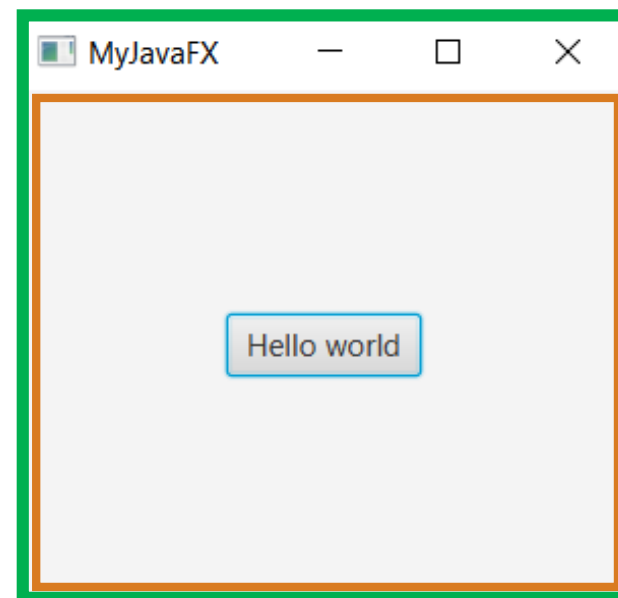
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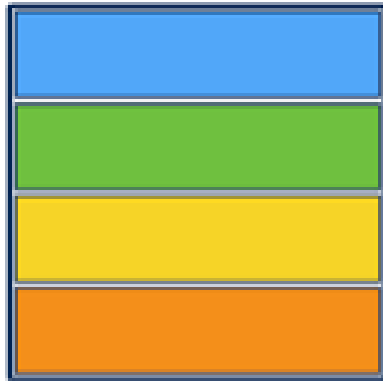
Layout Pane

- › JavaFX provides many types of panes for organizing nodes in a container.

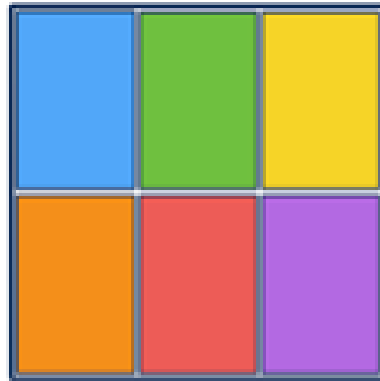
<i>Class</i>	<i>Description</i>
Pane	Base class for layout panes. It contains the getChildren() method for returning a list of nodes in the pane.
StackPane	Places the nodes on top of each other in the center of the pane.
FlowPane	Places the nodes row-by-row horizontally or column-by-column vertically.
GridPane	Places the nodes in the cells in a two-dimensional grid.
BorderPane	Places the nodes in the top, right, bottom, left, and center regions.
HBox	Places the nodes in a single row.
VBox	Places the nodes in a single column.



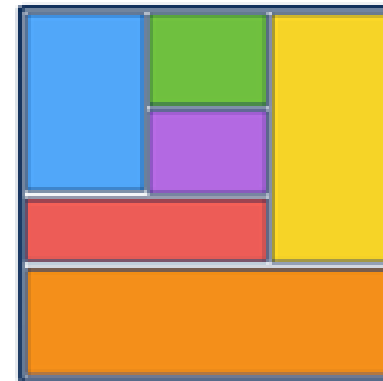
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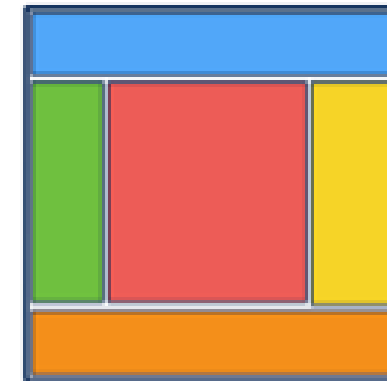
VBox



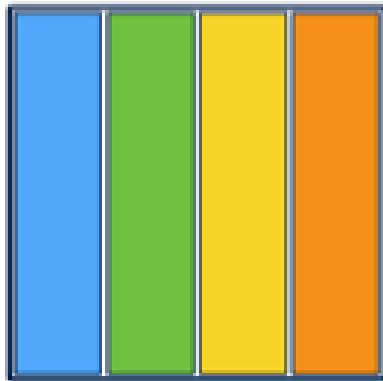
TilePane



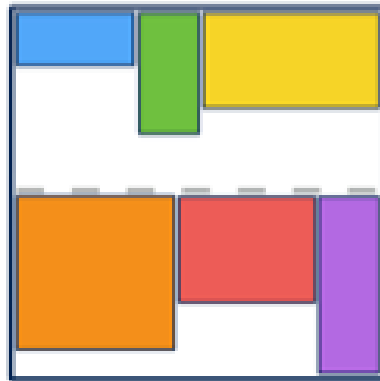
GridPane



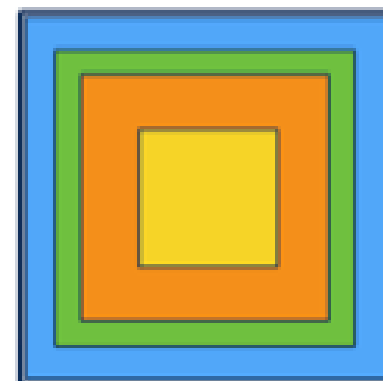
BorderPane



HBox



FlowPane



StackPane



AnchorPane

Reference: <https://dzone.com/refcardz/javafx-8-1>



Examples

MainWindow.java

```
package application;

import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.geometry.Insets;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.Scene;
import javafx.scene.layout.FlowPane;
import javafx.scene.control.Button;
import javafx.scene.control.TextField;

public class MainWindow extends Application {
    @Override
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        // create the flow pane as root node
        FlowPane root = new FlowPane();
        root.setPadding(new Insets(5));
        root.setHgap(5);
        root.setVgap(5);

        Button exitButton = new Button(" Exit ");
        exitButton.setPrefWidth(70);
        Button showButton = new Button(" Show ");
        showButton.setPrefWidth(70);

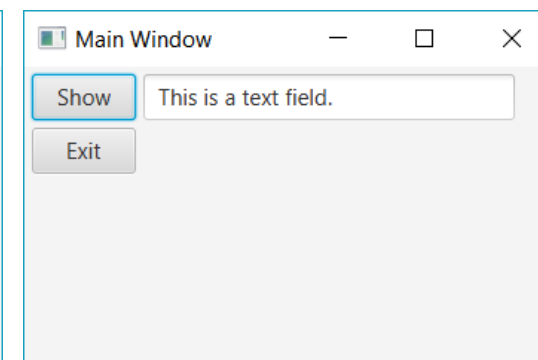
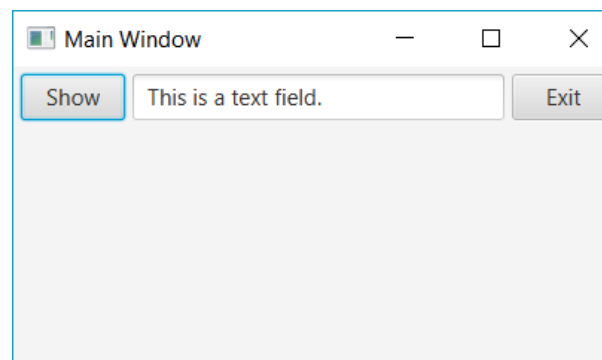
        TextField text = new TextField("This is a
                                     text field.");
        text.setPrefWidth(250);
```

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root.getChildren().addAll(showButton, text, exitButton);

        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 410, 200);

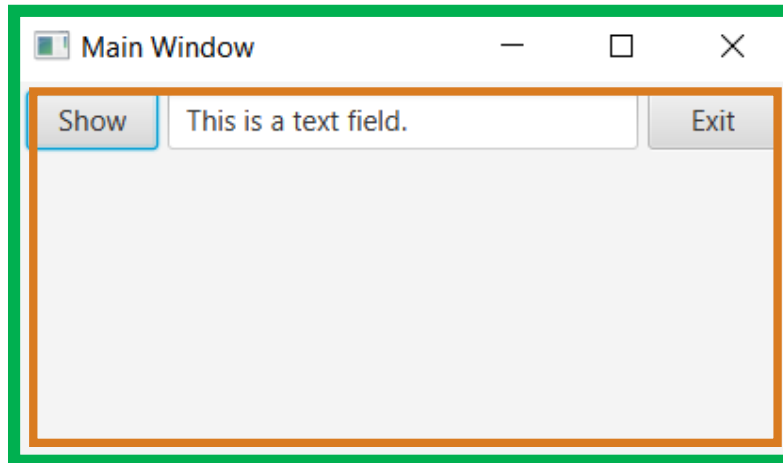
        primaryStage.setTitle("Main Window");
        primaryStage.setScene(scene);
        primaryStage.show();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        launch(args);
    }
}
```





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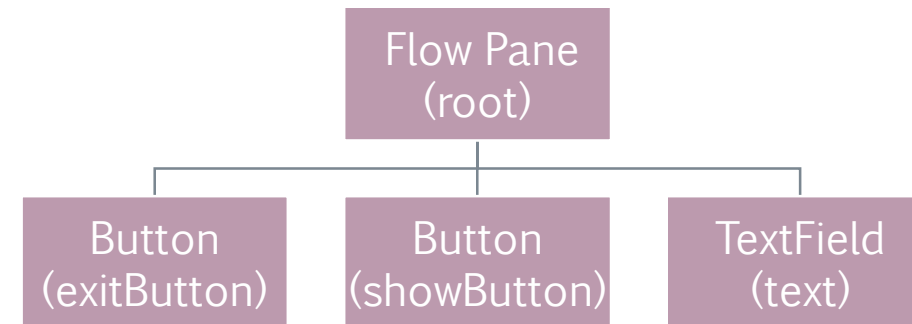


Stage

`javafx.stage (window)`

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`javafx.scene`



Scene graph

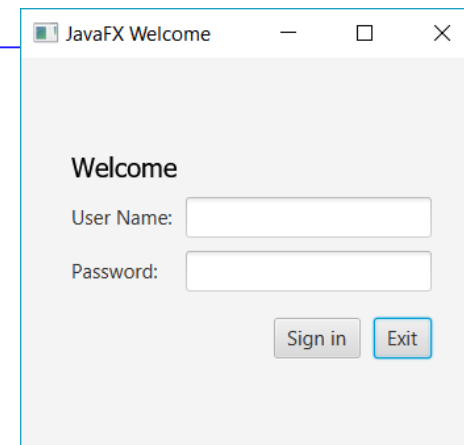


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Welcome.java

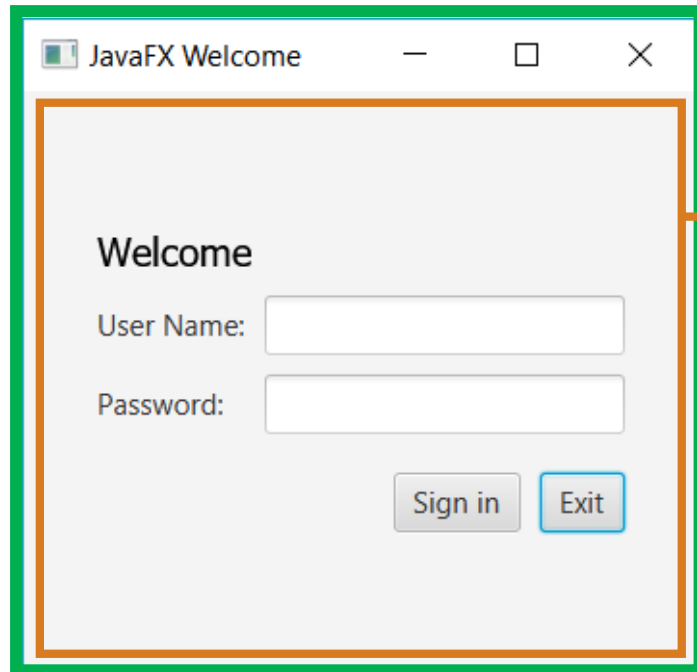
```
public class Welcome extends Application {  
  
    @Override  
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {  
  
        GridPane grid = new GridPane();  
        grid.setAlignment(Pos.CENTER);  
        grid.setHgap(10);  
        grid.setVgap(10);  
        grid.setPadding(new Insets(25, 25, 25, 25));  
  
        Text scenetitle = new Text("Welcome");  
        scenetitle.setFont(Font.font("Tahoma",  
            FontWeight.NORMAL, 20));  
        grid.add(scenetitle, 0, 0, 2, 1);  
  
        Label userName = new Label("User Name:");  
        grid.add(userName, 0, 1);  
  
        TextField userTextField = new TextField();  
        grid.add(userTextField, 1, 1);  
  
        Label pw = new Label("Password:");  
        grid.add(pw, 0, 2);  
  
        PasswordField pwBox = new PasswordField();  
        grid.add(pwBox, 1, 2);  
    }  
}
```

```
HBox hbBtn = new HBox(10);  
hbBtn.setAlignment(Pos.BOTTOM_RIGHT);  
Button signinBtn = new Button("Sign in");  
Button exitBtn = new Button("Exit");  
hbBtn.getChildren().addAll(signinBtn, exitBtn);  
grid.add(hbBtn, 1, 4);  
  
Scene scene = new Scene(grid, 350, 300);  
  
primaryStage.setScene(scene);  
primaryStage.setTitle("JavaFX Welcome");  
primaryStage.show();  
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    Launch(args);  
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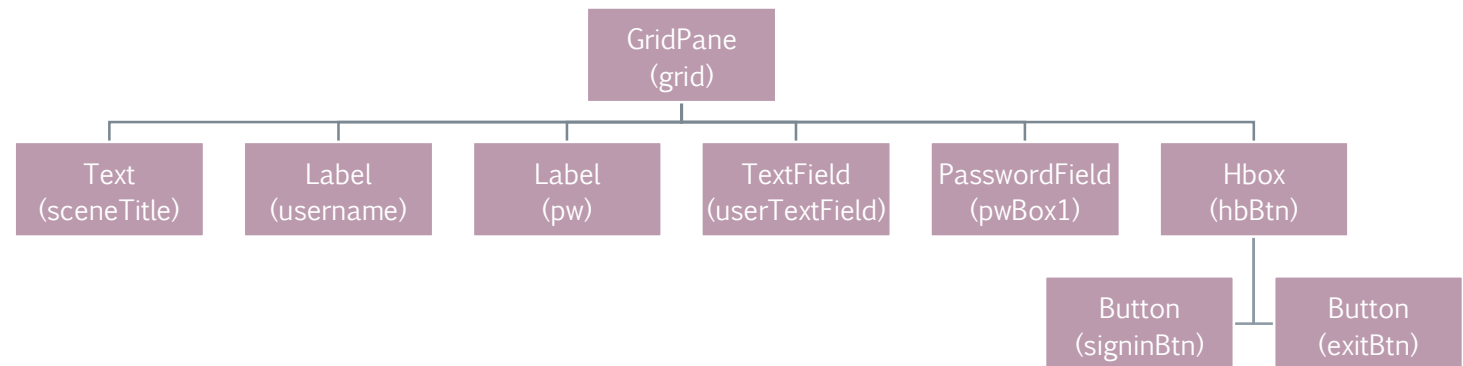


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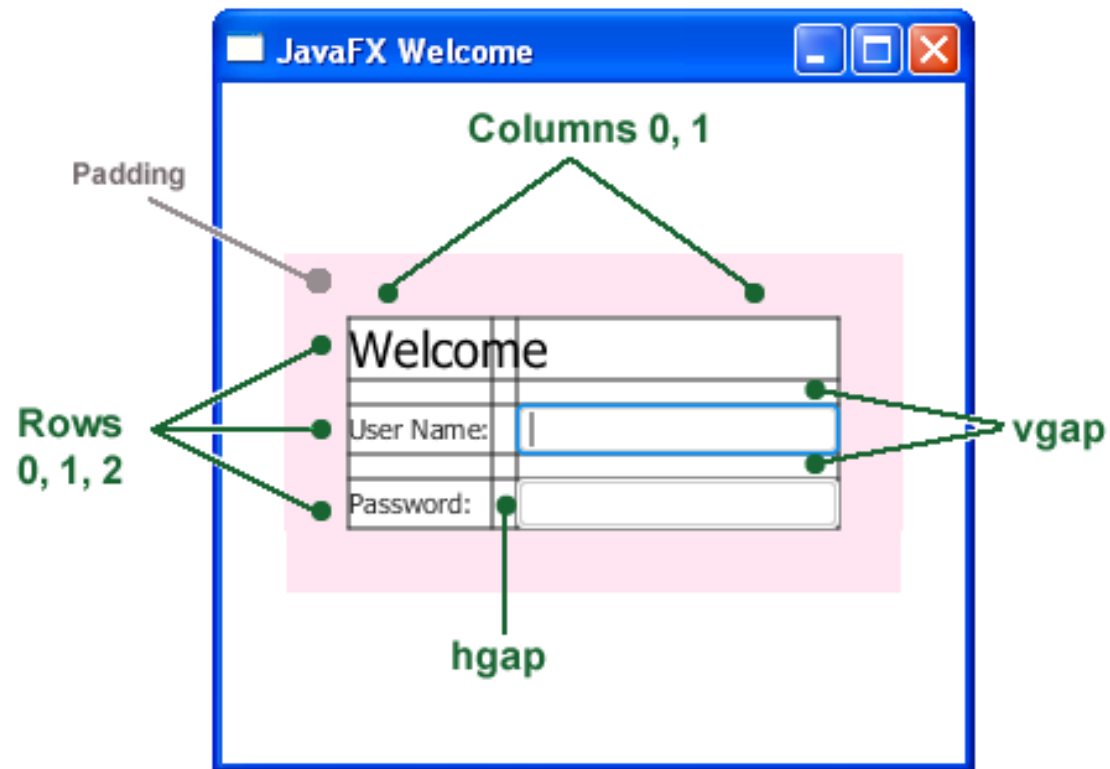
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Scene graph



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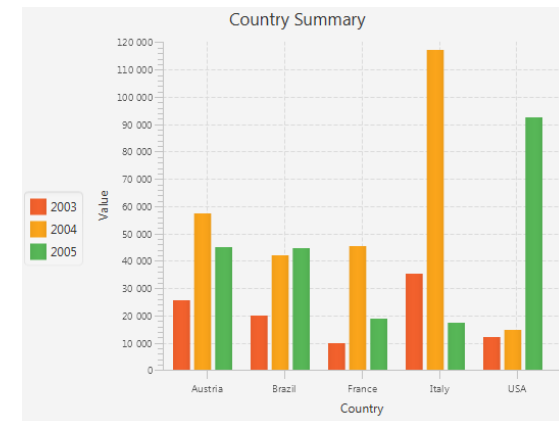
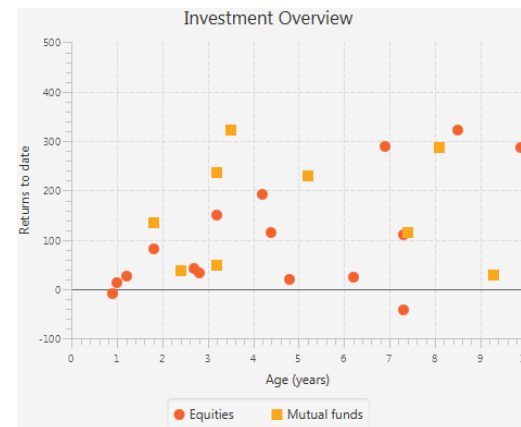
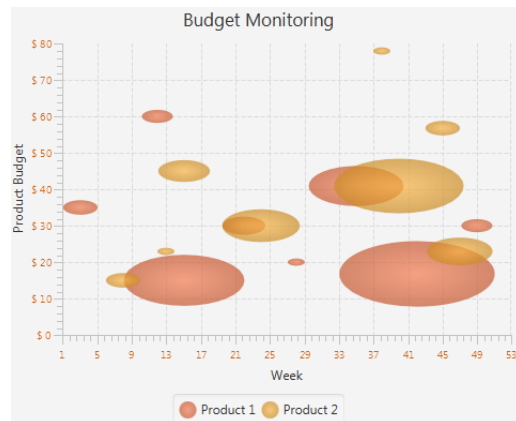
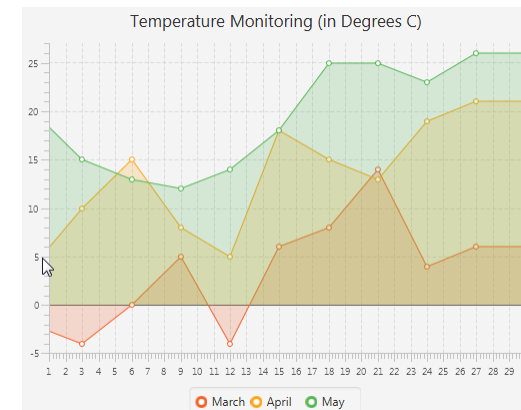
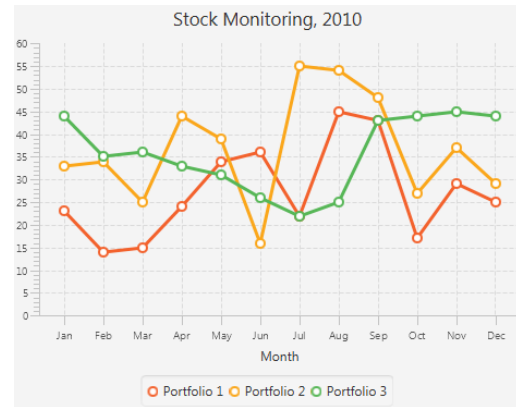
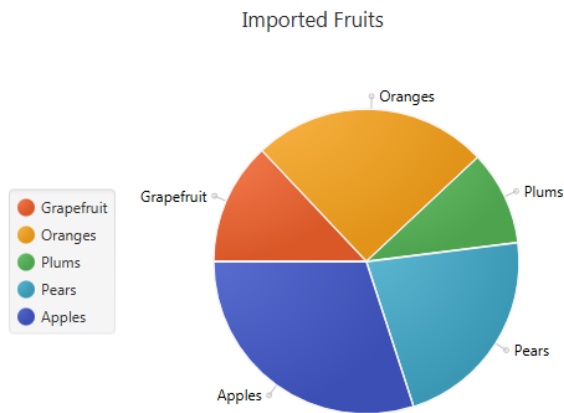


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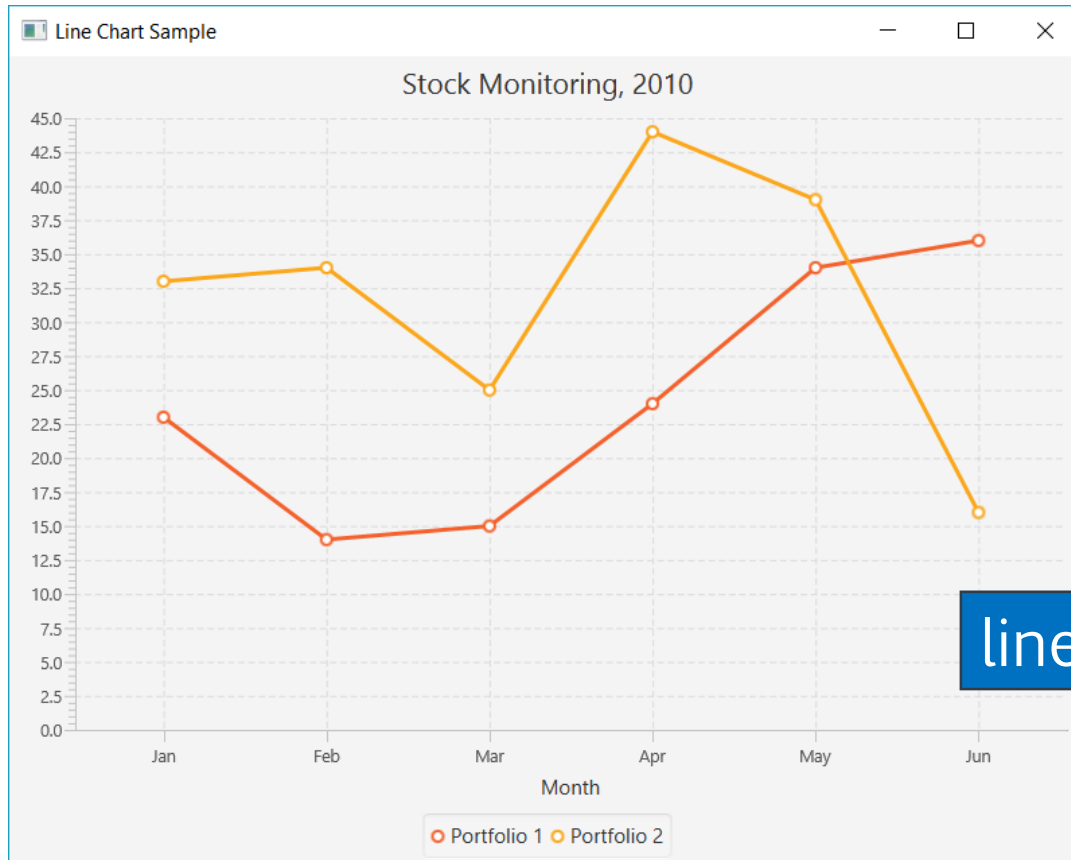
Charts

› javafx.scene.chart package





Charts (cont.)



lineChartSample.java



Scene builder

- › **JavaFX Scene Builder** is a visual layout tool that lets users quickly design JavaFX application **user interfaces, without coding.**
- › **FXML code** for the layout that they are creating is automatically generated in the background.
- › FXML file that can then be combined with a Java project by binding the UI to the application's logic



Scene builder (cont.)

› How to install JavaFX Scene Builder

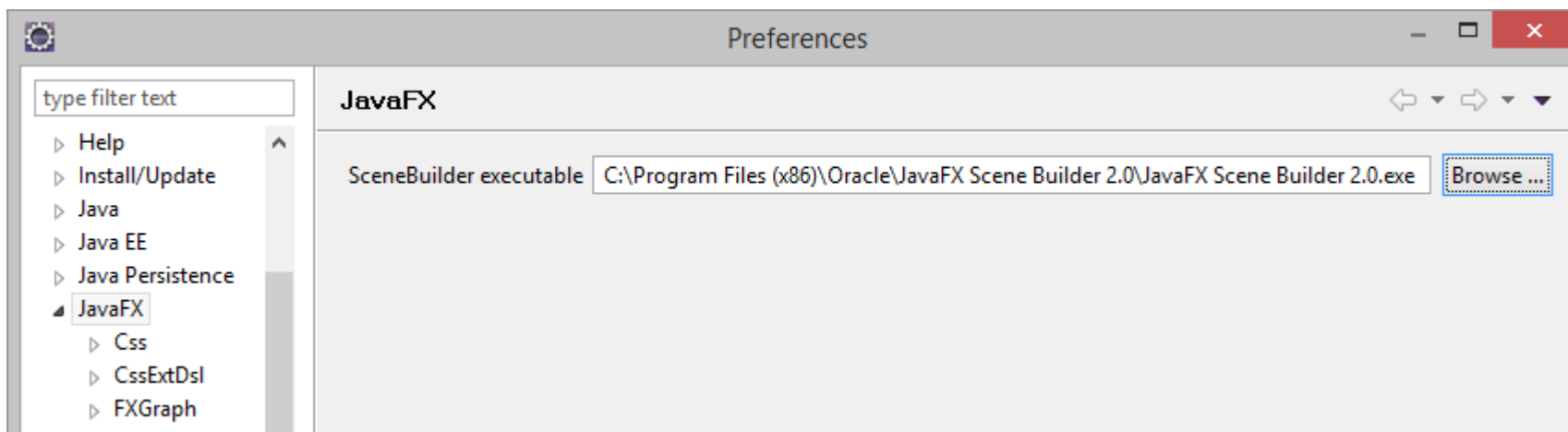
- Install E(fx)clipse into Eclipse

<http://o7planning.org/en/10619/install-efxclipse-into-eclipse>

- Download JavaFX Scene Builder

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/javafxscenebuilder-1x-archive-2199384.html>

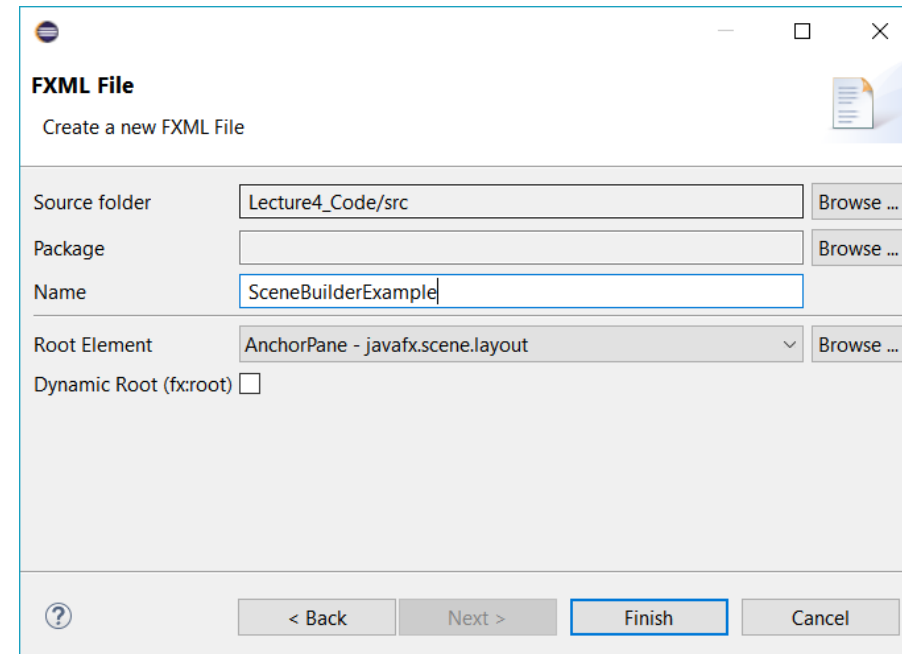
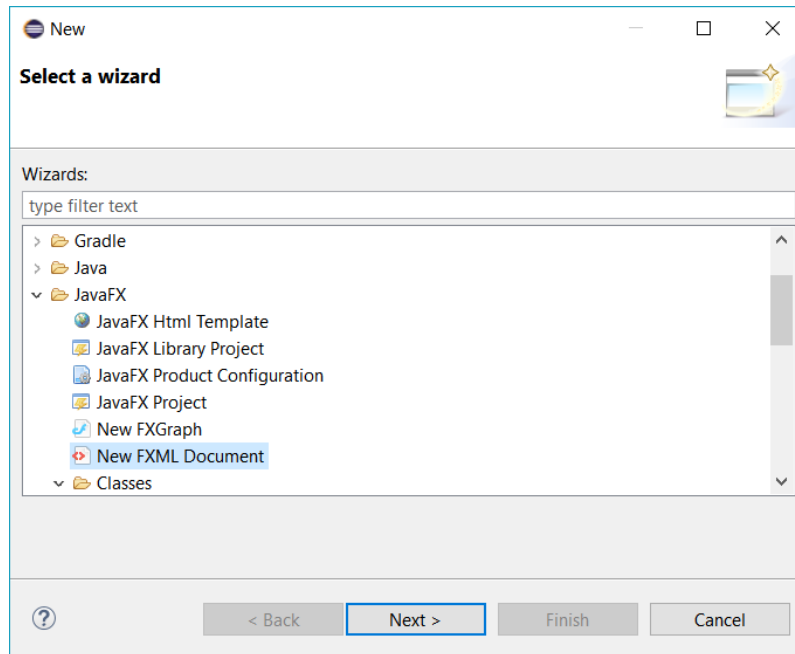
- Configuring Eclipse to use the Scene Builder
Window > Preferences





Scene builder (cont.)

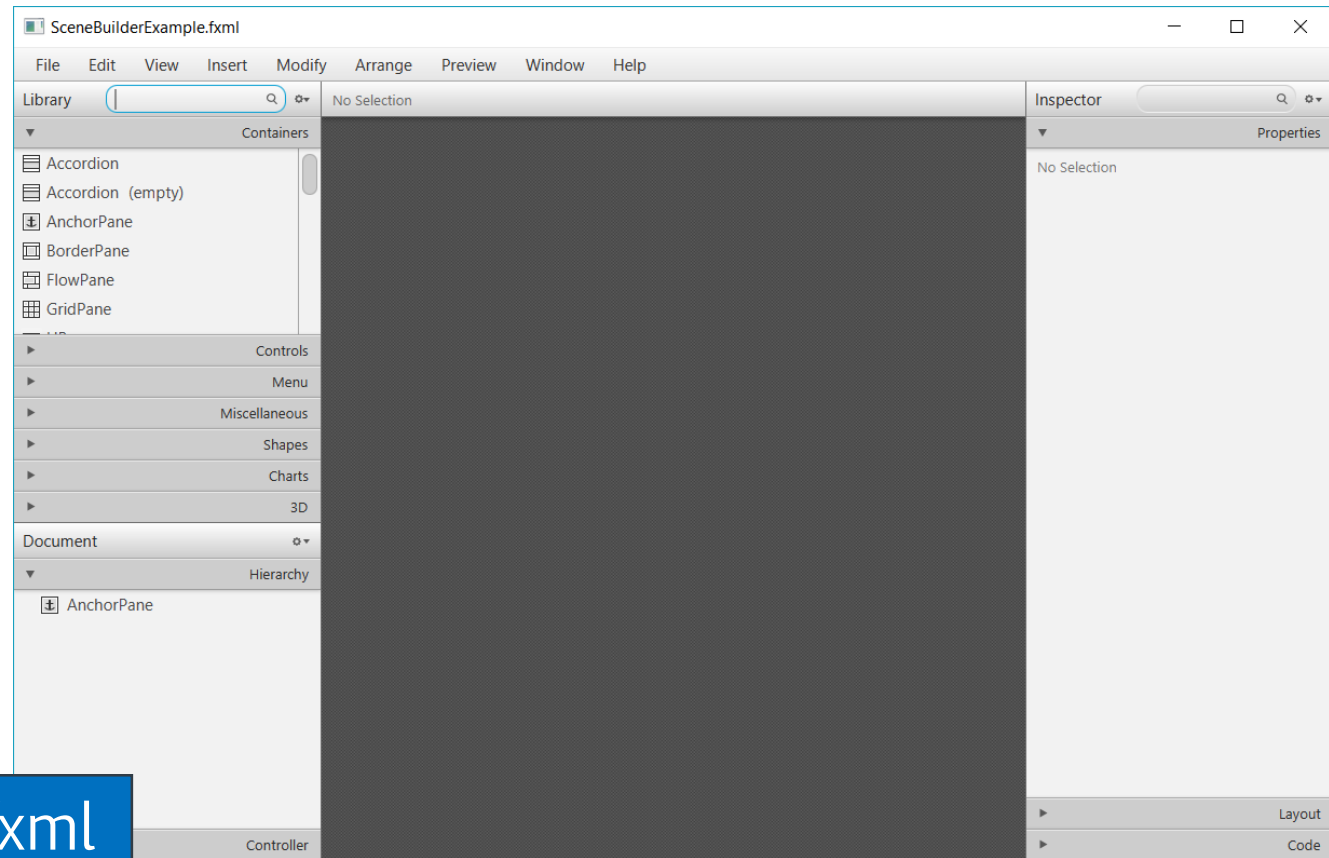
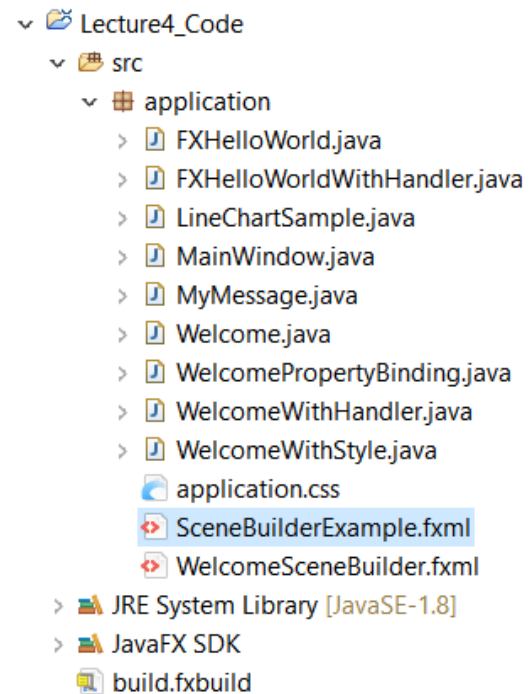
› New › other › New FXML Document





Scene builder (cont.)

› Right click .fxml file › open with SceneBuilder



SceneBuilderExample.fxml



Scene builder (cont.)

The screenshot displays the JavaFX Scene Builder application window titled "SceneBuilderExample.fxml". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Insert, Modify, Arrange, Preview, Window, Help), a Library pane on the left, a central canvas, and two Inspector panes on the right.

In the Library pane, the "Containers" section is expanded, and "HBox" is selected. In the Hierarchy pane at the bottom left, "HBox" is also selected and highlighted with a blue box.

The central canvas shows a dark gray rectangular area representing the HBox container, with a small blue crosshair in the center.

The Inspector pane on the right shows the properties for the selected "HBox" container. The "Layout" section is expanded, showing "Internal" and "Specific" tabs. The "Internal" tab is active, displaying the following properties:

- Padding:** Four input fields, each containing the value "5".
- Spacing:** An input field containing the value "5".
- Fill Height:** A checked checkbox.
- Size:**
 - Min Width: USE_PREF_SIZE
 - Min Height: USE_PREF_SIZE
 - Pref Width: USE_COMPUTED_SIZE (highlighted with a blue box)
 - Pref Height: USE_COMPUTED_SIZE (highlighted with a blue box)
 - Max Width: USE_PREF_SIZE
 - Max Height: USE_PREF_SIZE
 - Width: 5
 - Height: 10
- Position:**
 - Layout X: 0
 - Layout Y: 0

The "Code" section at the bottom of the Inspector shows "Code : HBox".

A second Inspector pane is visible on the far right, showing the "Identity" section with the "fxid" property set to "hboxRoot" (highlighted with a blue box).



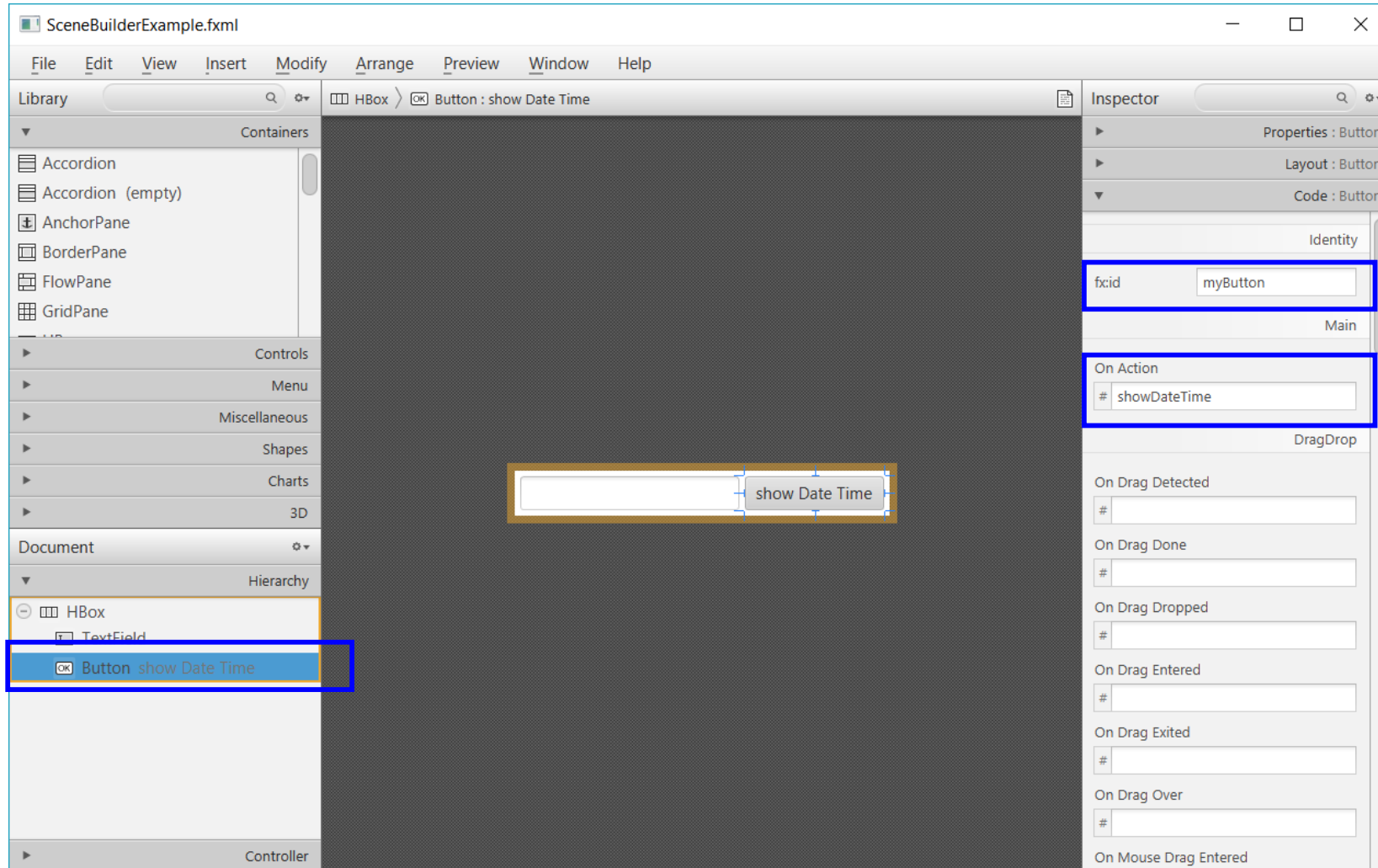
Scene builder (cont.)

The screenshot displays the JavaFX Scene Builder application window titled "SceneBuilderExample.fxml". The interface is divided into several panels:

- Library:** Located on the left, it contains categories like Containers, Controls, Menu, Miscellaneous, Shapes, Charts, 3D, Document, Hierarchy, and Controller. The "Hierarchy" panel shows a tree structure with "HBox" selected, and "TextField" is highlighted under it.
- Scene:** The central workspace shows a dark gray background with a white rectangular "TextField" component placed within a light gray "HBox" container. The TextField has a blue border and a small cursor.
- Inspector:** On the right, it shows the properties of the selected "TextField". The "Layout" tab is active, displaying "HBox Constraints" and "Size" properties. The "Pref Width" property is set to "200" and is highlighted with a blue box. Other properties like "Hgrow" (set to "INHERIT") and "Margin" are also visible.
- Code:** A separate panel on the far right shows the "Code" tab for the "TextField", with the "fx:id" property set to "outputField" and highlighted with a blue box.



Scene builder (cont.)





Scene builder (cont.)

- › Save
- › Double click file in eclipse to view FXML

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2
3 <?import javafx.geometry.*?>
4 <?import javafx.scene.control.*?>
5 <?import javafx.scene.text.*?>
6 <?import java.lang.*?>
7 <?import javafx.scene.layout.*?>
8 <?import javafx.scene.layout.AnchorPane?>
9
10 <HBox fx:id="hboxRoot" maxHeight="-Infinity"
11     maxWidth="-Infinity" minHeight="-Infinity"
12     minWidth="-Infinity" spacing="5.0"
13     xmlns="http://javafx.com/javafx/8" xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml/1">
14     <children>
15         <TextField fx:id="outputField" editable="false" prefWidth="200.0" />
16         <Button fx:id="myButton" mnemonicParsing="false" onAction="#showDateTime" text="show Date Time" />
17     </children>
18     <padding>
19         <Insets bottom="5.0" left="5.0" right="5.0" top="5.0" />
20     </padding>
21 </HBox>
```



Scene builder (cont.)

- › Adding the attribute `fx:controller` to `<Hbox>`, the Controller will be useful to the Controls lying inside Hbox such as `myButton` and `outputField`.

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2
3 <?import javafx.geometry.*?>
4 <?import javafx.scene.control.*?>
5 <?import javafx.scene.text.*?>
6 <?import java.lang.*?>
7 <?import javafx.scene.layout.*?>
8 <?import javafx.scene.layout.AnchorPane?>
9
10 <HBox fx:id="hboxRoot" maxHeight="-Infinity"
11       maxWidth="-Infinity" minHeight="-Infinity"
12       minWidth="-Infinity" spacing="5.0"
13       xmlns="http://javafx.com/javafx/8" xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml/1"
14       fx:controller="application.MyController">
15   <children>
16     <TextField fx:id="outputField" editable="false" prefWidth="200.0" />
17     <Button fx:id="myButton" mnemonicParsing="false" onAction="#showDateTime" text="show Date Time" />
18   </children>
19   <padding>
20     <Insets bottom="5.0" left="5.0" right="5.0" top="5.0" />
21   </padding>
22 </HBox>
23
```

```
1 package application;
2
3 import java.net.URL;
4 import java.text.DateFormat;
5 import java.text.SimpleDateFormat;
6 import java.util.Date;
7 import java.util.ResourceBundle;
8
9 import javafx.event.ActionEvent;
10 import javafx.fxml.FXML;
11 import javafx.fxml.Initializable;
12 import javafx.scene.control.Button;
13 import javafx.scene.control.TextField;
14
15 public class MyController implements Initializable {
16
17     @FXML
18     private Button myButton;
19
20     @FXML
21     private TextField outputField;
22
23     @Override
24     public void initialize(URL location, ResourceBundle resources) {
25     }
26
27     // When user click on myButton
28     // this method will be called.
29     public void showDateTime(ActionEvent event) {
30         System.out.println("Button Clicked!");
31         Date now = new Date();
32         DateFormat df = new SimpleDateFormat("dd-MM-yyyy HH:mm:ss.SSS");
33         // Model Data
34         String dateTimeString = df.format(now);
35         // Show in VIEW
36         outputField.setText(dateTimeString);
37
38     }
39
40 }
```



Scene builder (cont.)

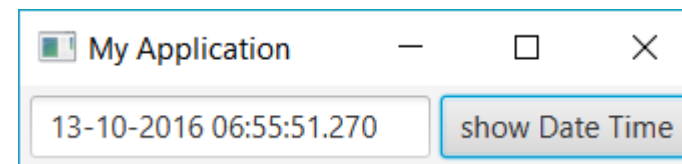
› Run “MyApplication”

```
1 package application;
2
3 import javafx.application.Application;
4 import javafx.fxml.FXMLLoader;
5 import javafx.scene.Parent;
6 import javafx.scene.Scene;
7 import javafx.stage.Stage;
8
9 public class MyApplication extends Application {
10
11     @Override
12     public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
13         try {
14             // Read file fxml and draw interface.
15             Parent root = FXMLLoader.load(getClass().getResource("SceneBuilderExample.fxml"));
16
17             primaryStage.setTitle("My Application");
18             primaryStage.setScene(new Scene(root));
19             primaryStage.show();
20
21         } catch (Exception e) {
22             e.printStackTrace();
23         }
24     }
25
26     public static void main(String[] args) {
27         Launch(args);
28     }
29
30 }
31 }
```

SceneBuilderExample.fxml

MyController.java

MyApplication.java



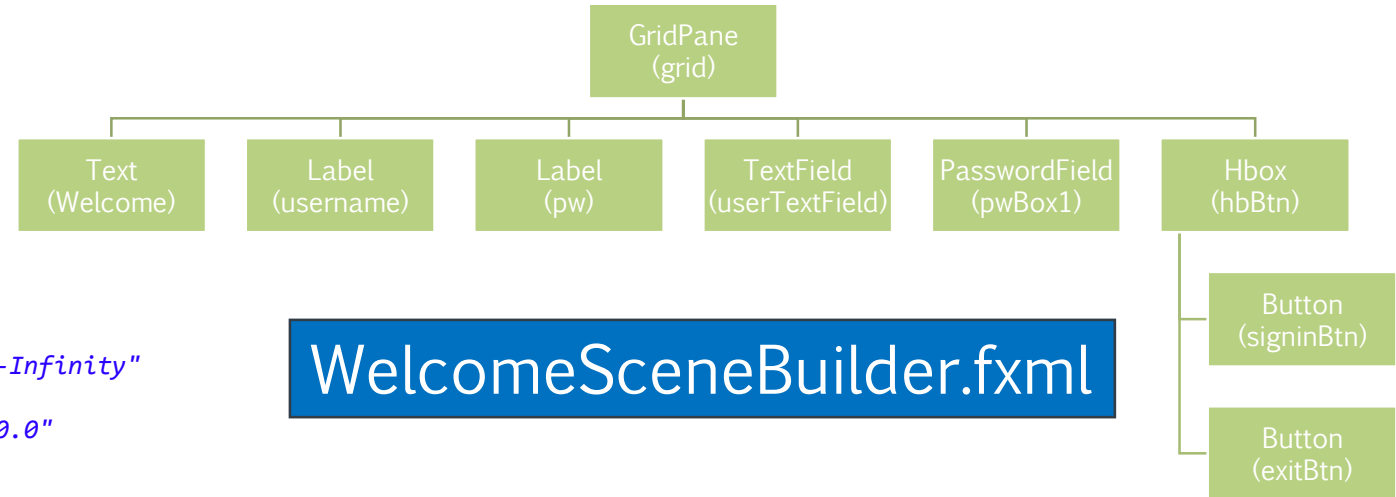


FXML

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

```
<?import javafx.geometry.*?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.*?>
<?import javafx.scene.text.*?>
<?import java.lang.*?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.*?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.AnchorPane?>
```

```
<GridPane hgap="10.0" maxHeight="-Infinity" maxWidth="-Infinity"
  minHeight="-Infinity" minWidth="-Infinity"
  prefHeight="300.0" prefWidth="350.0" vgap="10.0"
  xmlns="http://javafx.com/javafx/8"
  xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml/1">
  <children>
    <Text strokeType="OUTSIDE" strokeWidth="0.0" text="Welcome">
      <font>
        <Font name="Tahoma" size="20.0" />
      </font>
    </Text>
    <Label text="User Name:" GridPane.rowIndex="1" />
    <Label text="Password:" GridPane.rowIndex="2" />
    <HBox alignment="BOTTOM_RIGHT" prefHeight="100.0"
      prefWidth="200.0" spacing="10.0" GridPane.columnIndex="1"
      GridPane.rowIndex="4">
      <children>
        <Button mnemonicParsing="false" text="Sign in" />
        <Button mnemonicParsing="false" text="Exit" />
      </children>
    </HBox>
    <TextField GridPane.columnIndex="1" GridPane.rowIndex="1" />
    <PasswordField GridPane.columnIndex="1" GridPane.rowIndex="2" />
  </children>
```



WelcomeSceneBuilder.fxml

```
<columnConstraints>
  <ColumnConstraints hgrow="SOMETIMES" maxWidth="263.0"
    minWidth="10.0" prefWidth="87.0" />
  <ColumnConstraints hgrow="SOMETIMES" maxWidth="463.0"
    minWidth="10.0" prefWidth="203.0" />
</columnConstraints>
<padding>
  <Insets bottom="25.0" left="25.0" right="25.0" top="25.0" />
</padding>
<rowConstraints>
  <RowConstraints minHeight="10.0" prefHeight="30.0" vgrow="SOMETIMES" />
  <RowConstraints minHeight="10.0" prefHeight="30.0" vgrow="SOMETIMES" />
  <RowConstraints minHeight="10.0" prefHeight="30.0" vgrow="SOMETIMES" />
  <RowConstraints minHeight="10.0" prefHeight="30.0" vgrow="SOMETIMES" />
  <RowConstraints minHeight="10.0" prefHeight="30.0" vgrow="SOMETIMES" />
</rowConstraints>
</GridPane>
```



CSS

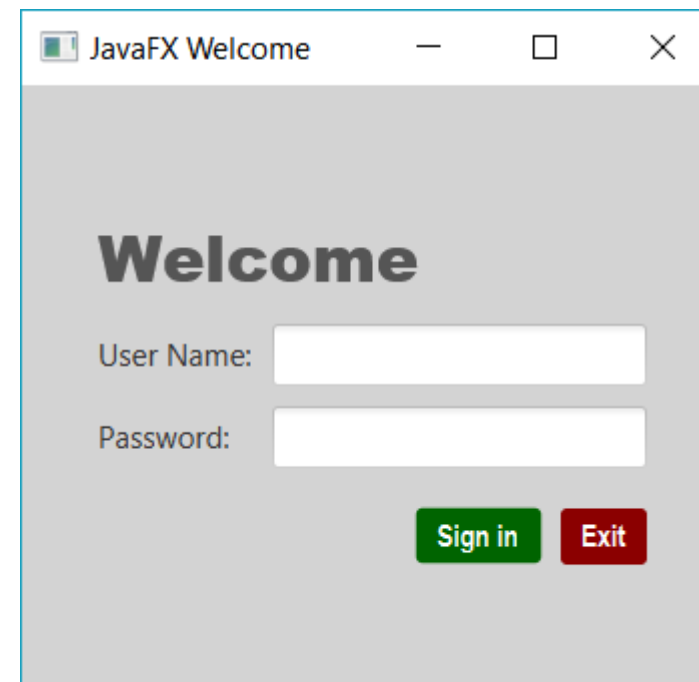
- › JavaFX provides styling by Cascading Style Sheets(CSS).
- › CSS support is based on the W3C CSS version 2.1
- › JavaFX CSS document:
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/javafx/api/javafx/scene/doc-files/cssref.html>



CSS (cont.)

```
// set style
grid.setStyle("-fx-background-color:lightgray;");
scenetitle.setStyle("-fx-font-size: 32px;
                    -fx-font-family:\"Arial Black\";
                    -fx-fill: #555;");
signinBtn.setStyle("-fx-text-fill: white;
                  -fx-font-weight: bold;
                  -fx-font-family: \"Arial Narrow\";
                  -fx-background-color: darkgreen;");
exitBtn.setStyle("-fx-text-fill: white;
                 -fx-font-weight: bold;
                 -fx-font-family: \"Arial Narrow\";
                 -fx-background-color: darkred;");
```

WelcomeWithStyle.java



Remarks: you can set same style for more than one node using “css class” or writing the style in separated file (not covered in this class)



Binding properties

- › JavaFX introduces a new concept called **binding property**
- › Enables a **target object** to be bound to a **source object**.
- › If the value in the source object changes, the **target property** is also **changed automatically**.
- › The target object is simply called a **binding object** or a **binding property**.



Binding Properties (cont.)

```
Label userName = new Label("User Name:");
grid.add(userName, 0, 1);
TextField userTextField = new TextField();
grid.add(userTextField, 1, 1);

Label userName1 = new Label("User Name:");
grid.add(userName1, 0, 2);
Label userNameOut = new Label();
grid.add(userNameOut, 1, 2);

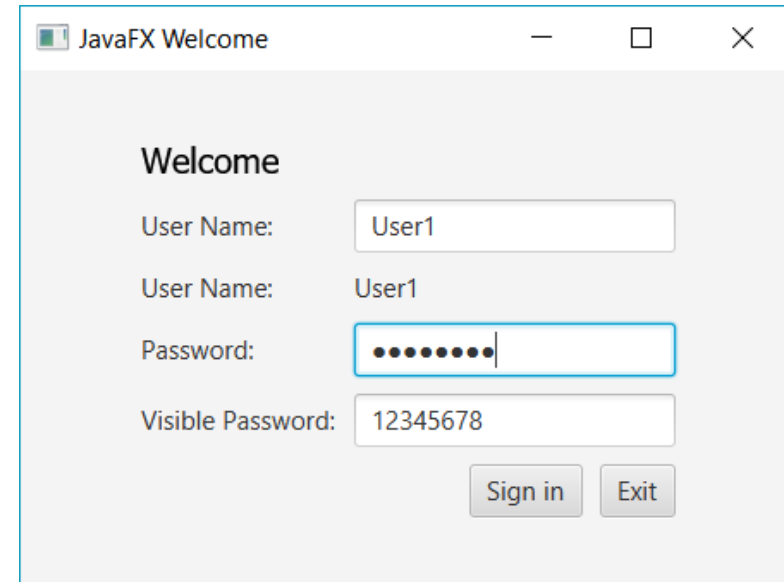
// Unidirectional bindings
userNameOut.textProperty().bind(userTextField.textProperty());
```

```
Label pw1 = new Label("Password:");
grid.add(pw1, 0, 3);
PasswordField pwBox1 = new PasswordField();
grid.add(pwBox1, 1, 3);

Label pw2 = new Label("Visible Password:");
grid.add(pw2, 0, 4);
TextField pwBox2 = new TextField();
grid.add(pwBox2, 1, 4);

// Bidirectional bindings
pwBox1.textProperty().bindBidirectional(pwBox2.textProperty());
```

WelcomePropertyBinding.java





Event Handling

- › To make the program response to an action, you need to create **a listener object** that waits for a particular event to handle and modified the correspondence method.
- › There are many events on GUI:
 - ActionEvent, InputEvent, ScrollToEvent, WindowEvent, WebEvent, MouseEvent, KeyEvent, ...
- › JavaFX event is an instance of the `javafx.event.Event` class or its subclass



Event Handling

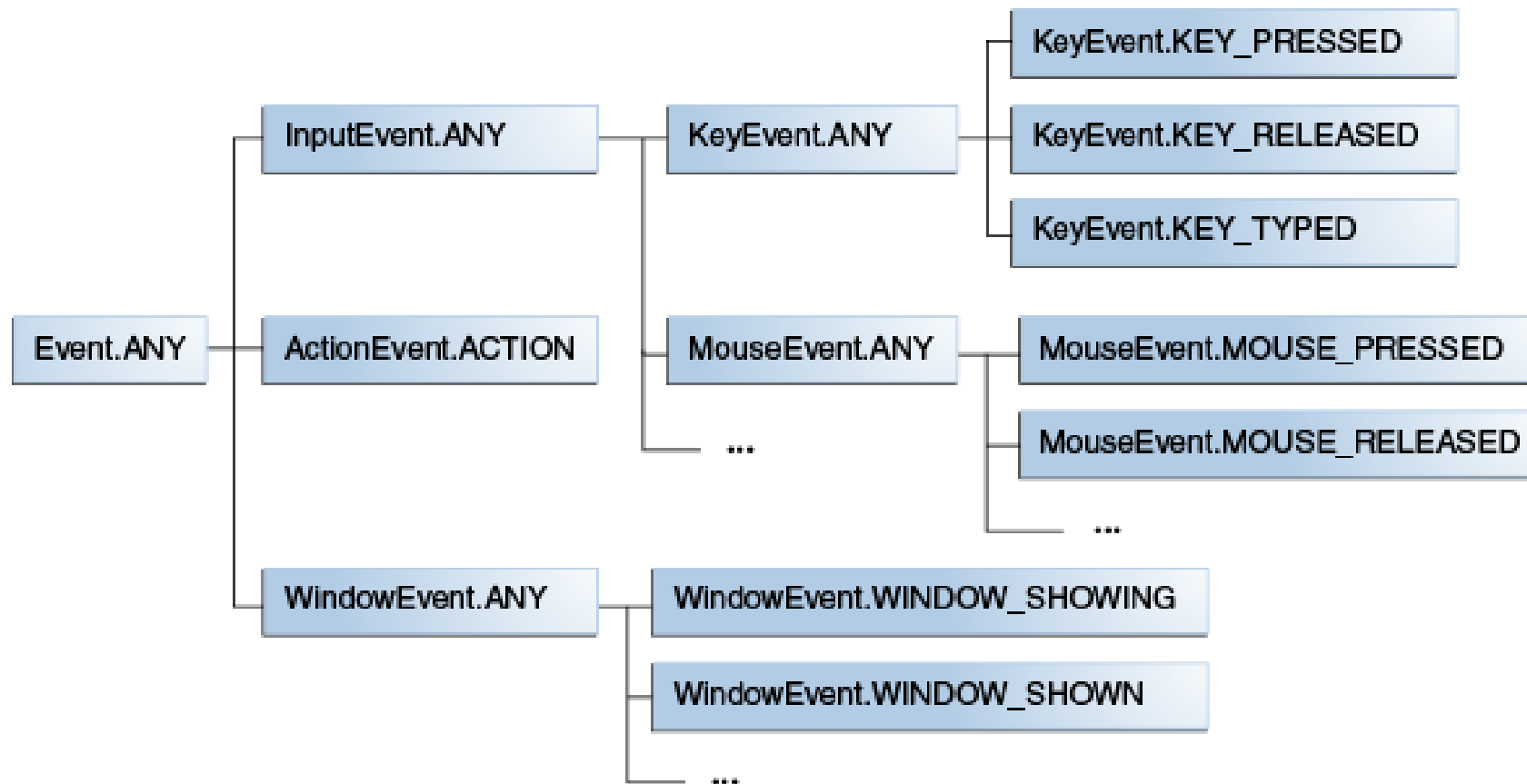
- › Use the **setOnXXX** methods to register event handlers

```
setOnEvent-type(EventHandler<? super event-class> value)
```

- **Event-type** is the type of event that the handler processes,
setOnKeyTyped for Key Typed events
setOnMouseClicked for Mouse Clicked events.
 - **event-class** is the class that defines the event type,
KeyEvent for events related to keyboard input
MouseEvent for events related to mouse input.
- › Override **handle** method



Event Handling (cont.)



Event type hierarchy

Reference: <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/javafx/events-tutorial/processing.htm>



Event Handling (cont.)

FXHelloWorldWithHandler.java

```
package application;

import javafx.application.Application;
import javafx.stage.Stage;
import javafx.scene.Scene;
import javafx.scene.layout.StackPane;
import javafx.scene.control.Button;
...

public class FXHelloWorld extends Application {
    // Override the start method in the Application class
    @Override
    public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
        // Create a scene and place a button in the scene
        Button btn = new Button("Hello world");
        ...
        StackPane root = new StackPane();
        root.getChildren().add(btn);
        Scene scene = new Scene(root, 300, 250);
        primaryStage.setTitle("MyJavaFX"); // Set the stage title
        primaryStage.setScene(scene); // Place the scene
        primaryStage.show();
    }

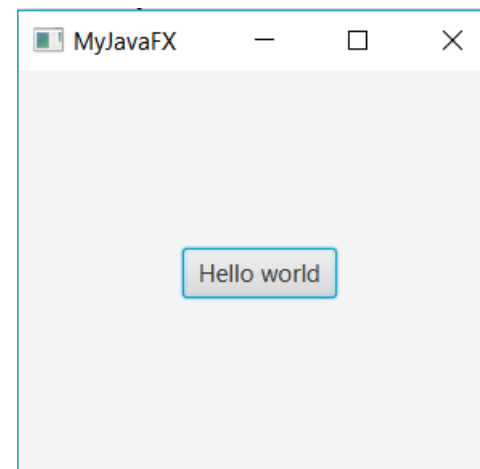
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Launch(args);
    }
}
```

```
import javafx.event.ActionEvent;
import javafx.event.EventHandler;
```

```
// set event handler
btn.setOnAction(new EventHandler<ActionEvent>() {

    public void handle(ActionEvent event) {
        System.out.println("Hello World");
    }

});
```



```
Problems @ Javadoc Declaration
<terminated> FXHelloWorldWithHandler
Hello World
Hello World
Hello World
```



Event Handling (cont.)

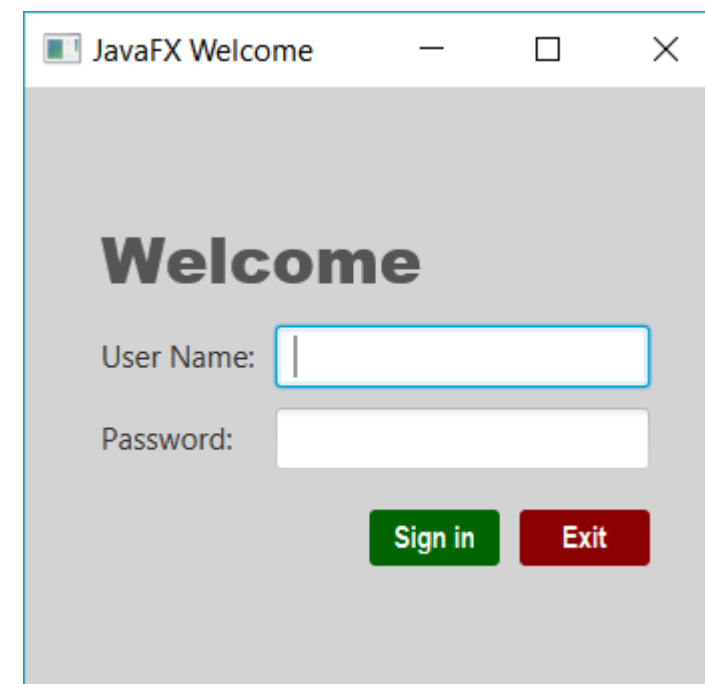
- › `setOnAction()` method is used to register an event handler.
- › `handle()` method in the event handler is called when user clicks the button and it print "Hello World" to the console.



Event Handling (cont.)

- › Clear User Name when press ESC
- › Change button width if mouse is over
- › Popup welcome dialog when click Sign in
- › Close application when click Exit

WelcomeWithHandler.java





Common Event-Handling Problem

- › A component does not generate the events it should.
 - Did you register **the right kind of listener** to detect the events?
 - Did you register the listener to **the right object**?
 - Did you **implement** the event handler correctly?



Export Jar

- › We've managed to create our Java FX Application
- › Let's try out our application as an executable JAR



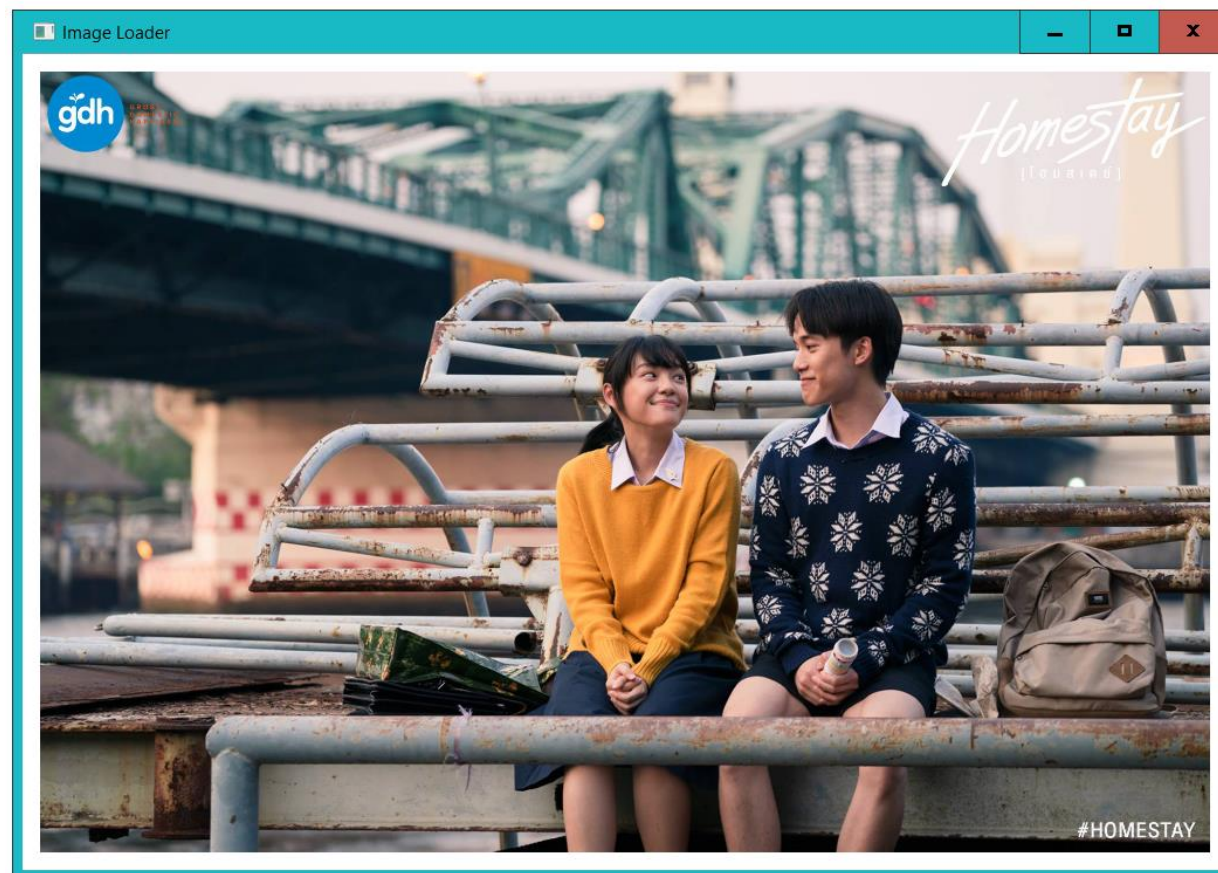
Export Jar (cont.)

- › We've managed to create our Java FX Application
- › Let's try out our application as an executable JAR



Export Jar (cont.)

› Run -> JAVA_FX_Image/ImageLoader.jar





Export Jar (cont.)

- › Let copy our ImageLoader.jar to somewhere
- › Run -> JAVA_FX_Image/Test_Jar/1_only_jar/run.jar



Our Image doesn't appear anymore



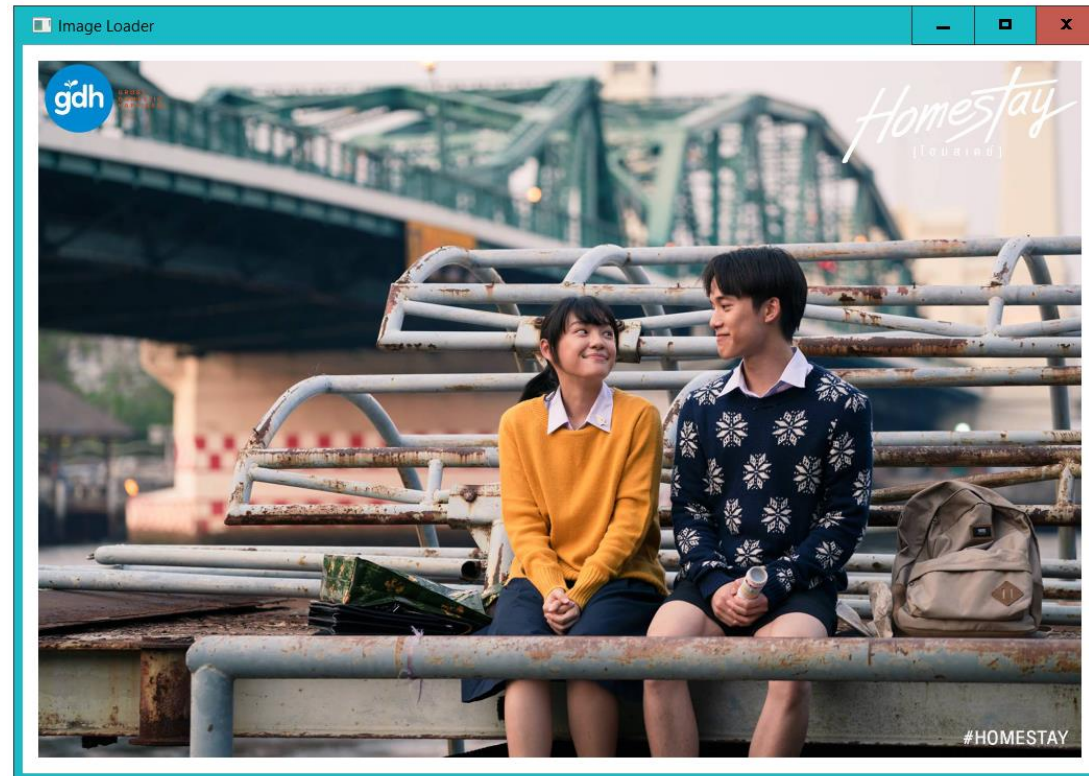
Export Jar with res folder

- › Let's take a look at how we load our image
 - `ImageView imageView = new ImageView(new Image("file:res/images/homestay.jpg"));`
- › The image must be in the same directory as our JAR
 - Let's try again



Export Jar with res folder (cont.)

- › Run ->
JAVA_FX_Image/Test_Jar/2_jar_with_res_folder/run.jar
- › It's work !!!





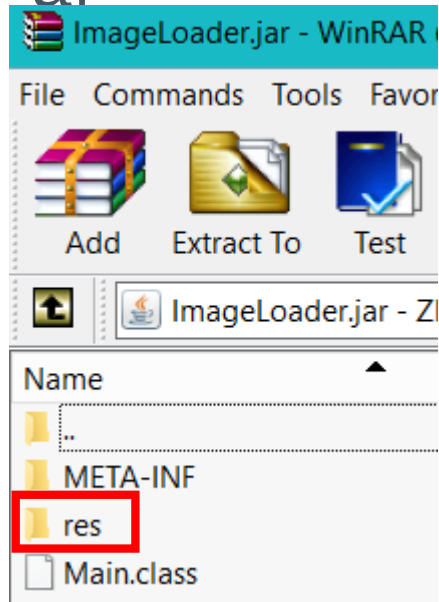
Export Jar containing res folder

- › Keeping resource beside our JAR works
- › But it would be better if we can store all our resources into our JAR



Export Jar containing res folder (cont.)

- › Run ->
JAVA_FX_Image/Test_Jar/3_jar_contain_res_folder/run.jar



Our Image still doesn't appear



Export Jar containing res folder (cont.)

› Why?

- Because `ImageView imageView = new ImageView(new Image("file:res/images/homestay.jpg"));`
- Can get resource from file only

› How to fix it?



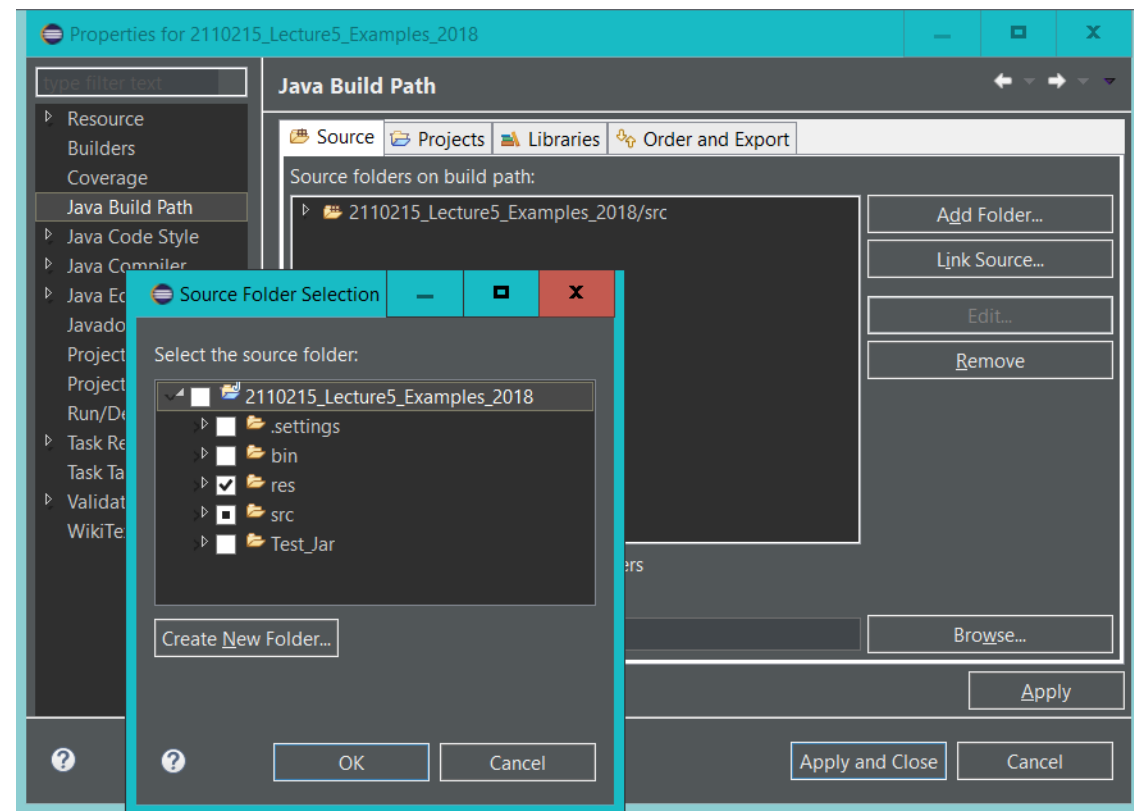
Export Jar containing res folder - ClassLoader

- › Use ClassLoader to help loading our image
 - A path to our resource related to our .class file directory
- › `ClassLoader.getResource(String filePath)`
 - Return as URL
- › Example:
 - `String image_path = ClassLoader.getResource("images/homestay.jpg").toString();`
 - `ImageView imageView = new ImageView(new Image(image_path));`



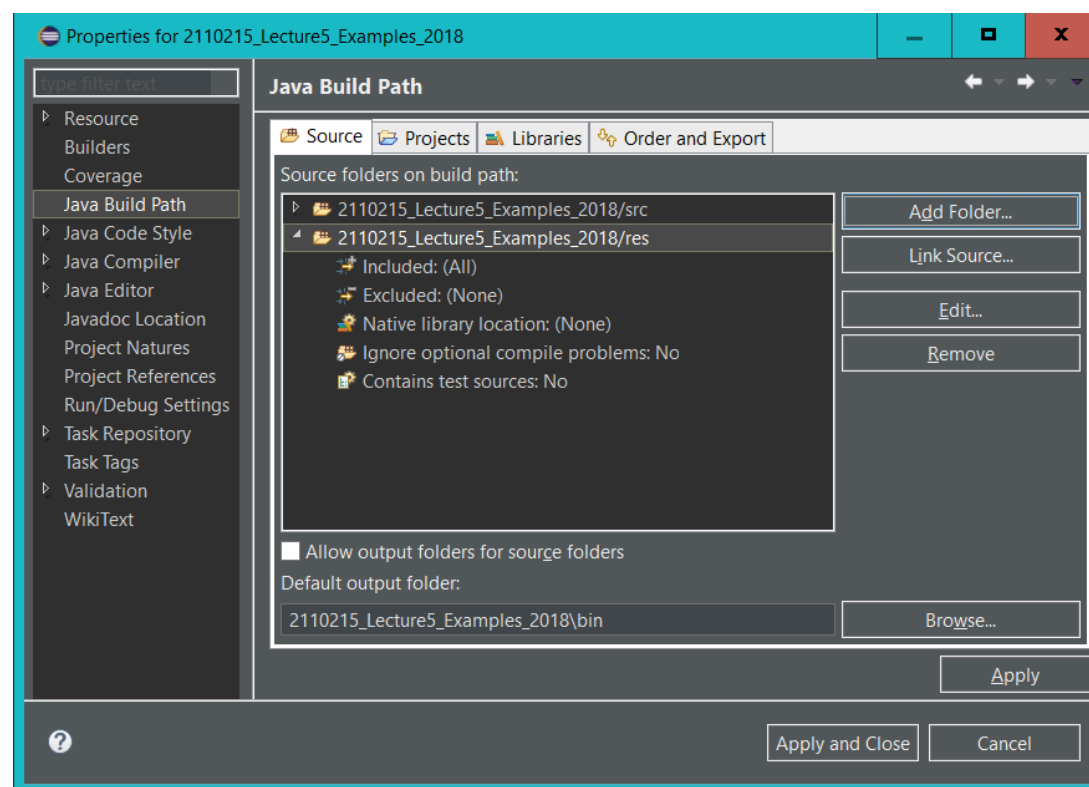
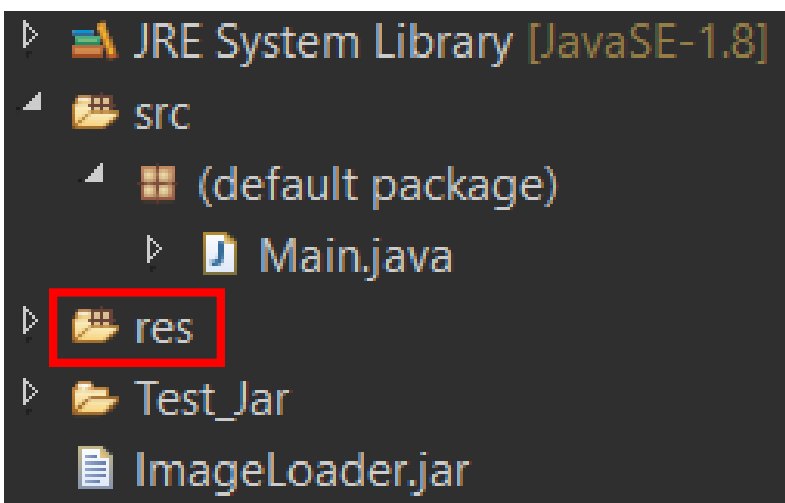
Export Jar containing res folder - BuildPath

- › For add resoure folder, Build Path
- › -> Configure Build Path
- › -> Source (Tab)
- › -> Add Folder
- › -> Select Folder res





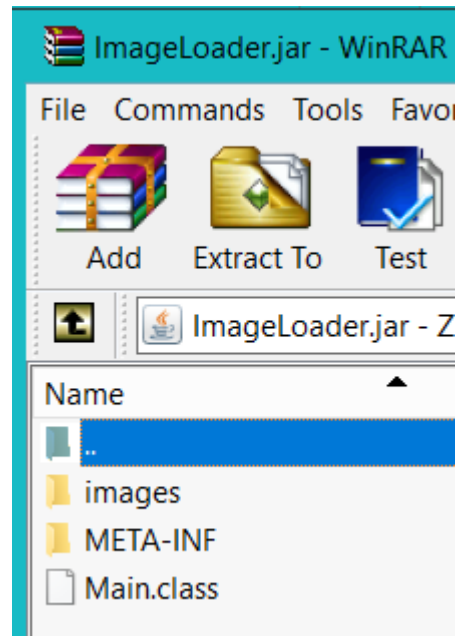
Export Jar containing res folder - BuildPath





Export Jar containing res folder (cont.)

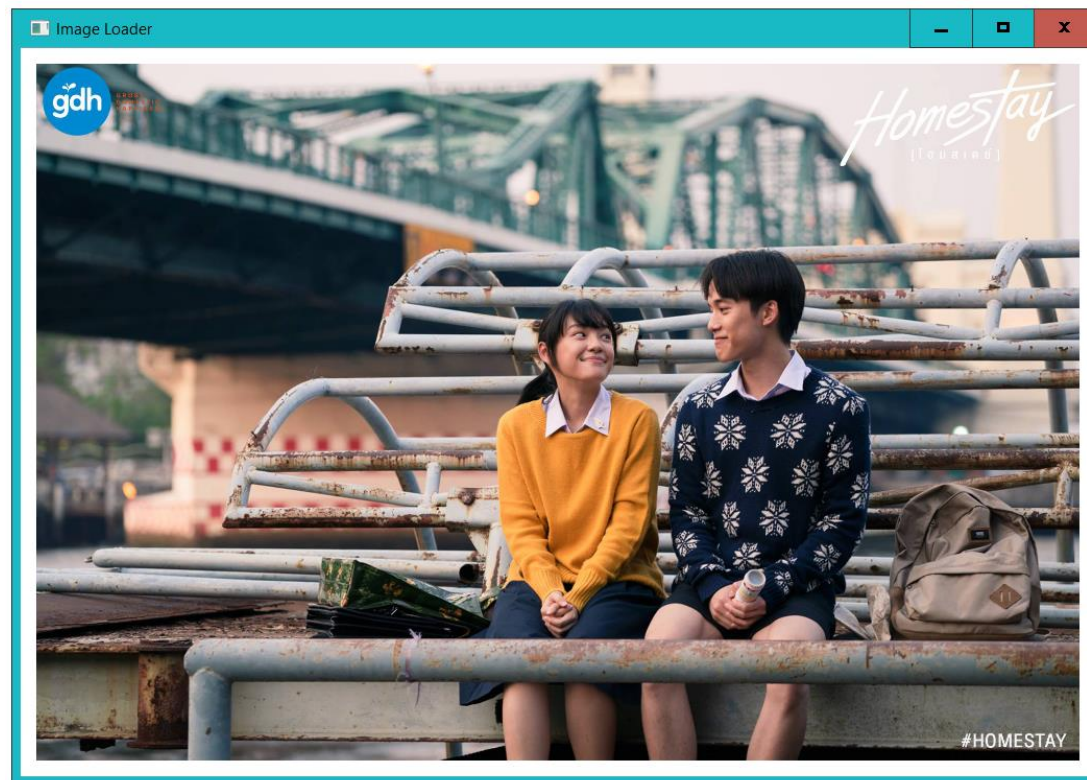
- › Let try export runnable jar
- › Our jar will contain res folder automatically
- › No need to put our res folder in jar manually





Export Jar containing res folder (cont.)

- › Run -> JAVA_FX_Image/Test_Jar/4_jar_fixed/run.jar
- › This works because it read resource from our jar file.





Export Jar (cont.)

› Note

- Some library can get resource from String :
“image/homestay.jpg”
- While some library can't

- › Using ClassLoader for getting resource for all library is more stable