

Objective

Introduction to JavaFX Animation

- Rotate Transition
- Translate Transition
- Scale Transition
- Sequential Transition
- Parallel Transition
- Animation Timer

JavaFX Animation

Animation in computer is displaying consecutive frames in which an object is transformed a little comparing to its previous frame. This creates an illusion of animation.

In JavaFX, the package `javafx.animation` contains all the classes for animation. All the classes of this package extend the class `javafx.animation.Animation`.

JavaFX provides many classes such as `RotateTransition`, `ScaleTransition`, `TranslateTransition`, `AnimationTimer`, etc.

<https://www.javatpoint.com/javafx-animation>

RotateTransition

Lets start with a simple example:

Refer to RotationFX.java

1. Create a shape for animation

```
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(100,100,50,50);  
rect.setFill(Color.BLUE);
```

2. Create an instance of the transition class

```
RotateTransition rotate = new RotateTransition();
```

3. Set the desired properties like duration

```
rotate.setDuration(Duration.millis(2000)); // 2 seconds
```

4. set related parameters

```
rotate.setByAngle(270); // rotate angle in degree
```

RotateTransition

5. set Cycles and autoreverse parameters

```
rotate.setCycleCount(4); // number of the cycles of the transition
```

```
rotate.setAutoReverse(true); // autoreverse the transition
```

6. Add the shape to a group

```
Group group = new Group(rect);
```

7. Set the target node on which the transition will be applied.

```
rotate.setNode(group);
```

8. Add the group to the scene

```
Scene scene = new Scene(group, 600, 600);
```

9. Finally, play the transition using the play() method.

```
rotate.play();
```

TranslateTransition

Example:

Refer to TranslateFX.java

1. Create a shape for animation

```
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(100,100,50,50);  
rect.setFill(Color.BLUE);
```

2. Create an instance of the transition class

```
TranslateTransition translate = new TranslateTransition();
```

3. Set the desired properties like duration

```
translate.setDuration(Duration.millis(1500)); // 1.5 seconds
```

4. set related parameters

```
translate.setByX(300);  
translate.setByY(100)
```

TranslateTransition

5. set Cycles and autoreverse parameters

```
translate.setCycleCount(4); // number of the cycles of the transition
```

```
translate.setAutoReverse(true); // autoreverse the transition
```

6. Add the shape to a group

```
Group group = new Group(rect);
```

7. Set the target node on which the transition will be applied.

```
translate.setNode(group);
```

8. Add the group to the scene

```
Scene scene = new Scene(group, 600, 600);
```

9. Finally, play the transition using the play() method.

```
translate.play();
```

ScaleTransition

Lets start with a simple example:

1. Create a shape for animation

Refer to ScaleFX.java

```
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(100,100,50,50);  
rect.setFill(Color.BLUE);
```

2. Create an instance of the transition class

```
ScaleTransition scale = new ScaleTransition();
```

3. Set the desired properties like duration

```
scale.setDuration(Duration.millis(2000)); // 2 seconds
```

4. set related parameters

```
scale.setByX(3);  
scale.setByY(1.5);
```

ScaleTransition

5. set Cycles and autoreverse parameters

```
scale.setCycleCount(4); // number of the cycles of the transition
```

```
scale.setAutoReverse(true); // autoreverse the transition
```

7. Add the shape to a group

```
Group group = new Group(rect);
```

Set the target node on which the transition will be applied.

```
scale.setNode(group);
```

8. Add the group to the scene

```
Scene scene = new Scene(group, 600, 600);
```

9. Finally, play the transition using the play() method.

```
scale.play();
```


Other Animation Classes

JavaFX provides many animation classes such as:

FadeTransition, FillTransition, PathTransition, ect,

All follows the same routine except the parameters.

The parameters for each type of transitions are different.

Sequential/Parallel Transition

SequentialTransition and ParellelTransition are two classes that puts everything together, one sequentially and the other in parallel.

Sequential

SequentialTransition : animation will perform sequentially, from left to right

Refer to SequentialAmimation.java

```
SequentialTransition seq = new SequentialTransition();  
seq.getChildren().addAll(rotate, translate, scale);  
seq.play();  
Group group = new Group(rect);  
Scene scene = new Scene(group, 600, 600);
```

Parallel

ParallelTransition : animations perform in parallel.

In the example provided, you will see inconsistency during animation. It is due to the different duration and cycles, modify them, and you will get a better result.

Refer to ParallelFX.java

```
ParallelTransition par = new ParallelTransition();  
par.getChildren().addAll(rotate, translate, scale);  
seq.play();  
Group group = new Group(rect);  
Scene scene = new Scene(group, 600, 600);
```

AnimationTimer Class

General Animation

For a general and free animation, we use the abstract **AnimationTimer** class.

- It contains two implemented methods start/stop that do just that
- It contains one abstract method that we must implement
 - **handle(long now)**

When the timer is running, handle will be called for each frame that needs to be drawn.

Bouncing Ball Animation

```
private BallAnimation animation;
private Ellipse ball;
private int xVelocity = 2;
private int yVelocity = 3;

@Override
public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
    Pane root = new Pane();

    Rectangle background = new Rectangle(0, 0, 500, 500);
    background.setFill(Color.BLACK);

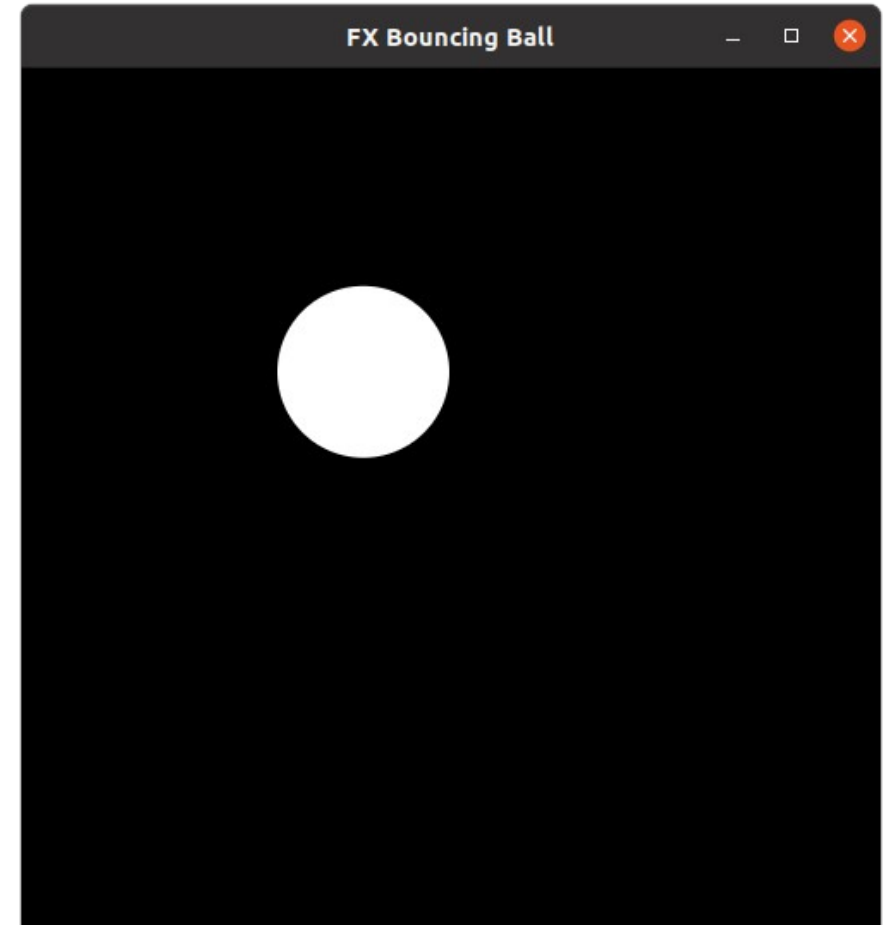
    ball = new Ellipse(250, 250, 50, 50);
    ball.setFill(Color.WHITE);

    animation = new BallAnimation();
    animation.start();

    root.getChildren().addAll(background, ball);
    Scene scene = new Scene(root, 500, 500);
    primaryStage.setTitle("FX Bouncing Ball");
    primaryStage.setScene(scene);
    primaryStage.show();
}
```

Bouncing Ball Animation

```
private class BallAnimation extends AnimationTimer {  
    @Override  
    public void handle(long now) {  
        double x = ball.getCenterX();  
        double y = ball.getCenterY();  
  
        if (x + xVelocity > 450 || x + xVelocity < 50) {  
            xVelocity *= -1;  
        }  
  
        if (y + yVelocity > 450 || y + yVelocity < 50) {  
            yVelocity *= -1;  
        }  
  
        x += xVelocity;  
        y += yVelocity;  
  
        ball.setCenterX(x);  
        ball.setCenterY(y);  
    }  
}
```



Bouncing Ball Animation

```
private int colorChangeCountdown = 60;

private class BallAnimation extends AnimationTimer {
    @Override
    public void handle(long arg0) {
        double x = ball.getCenterX();
        double y = ball.getCenterY();

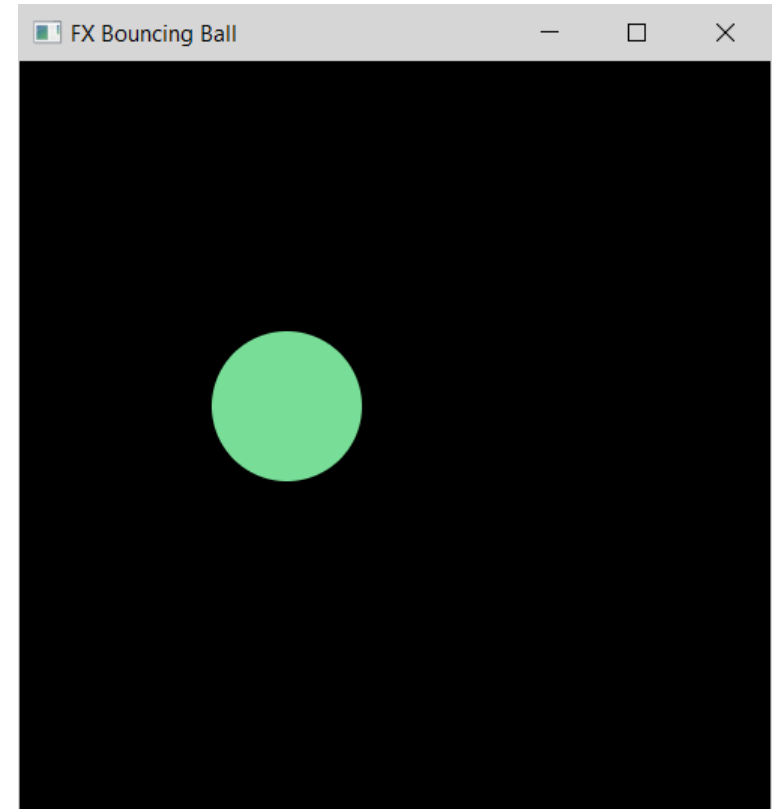
        if (x + xVelocity > 450 || x + xVelocity < 50) {
            xVelocity *= -1;
        }

        if (y + yVelocity > 450 || y + yVelocity < 50) {
            yVelocity *= -1;
        }

        x += xVelocity;
        y += yVelocity;

        ball.setCenterX(x);
        ball.setCenterY(y);

        colorChangeCountdown--;
        if (colorChangeCountdown == 0) {
            ball.setFill(randomColor());
            colorChangeCountdown = 60;
        }
    }
}
```



Refer to BouncingBallFX.java