

Desktop Java Enhancements



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Deprecation Alert: Applets

Removal of Java browser plugin

Deprecated: `java.applet.Applet`



Alternative: Java Web Start

Extended HiDPI Support



Virtual vs. physical pixels: high Dots Per Inch (DPI)

MacOS already supported



Java 9 introduces Linux and Windows support

Linux support through GTK+ 3

`-Djdk.gtk.version=3`

Graphics Improvements

New OpenType font renderer: Harfbuzz (replaces ICU)



Marlin renderer: improved performance



Risks: minor rendering differences

Marlin Renderer Performance



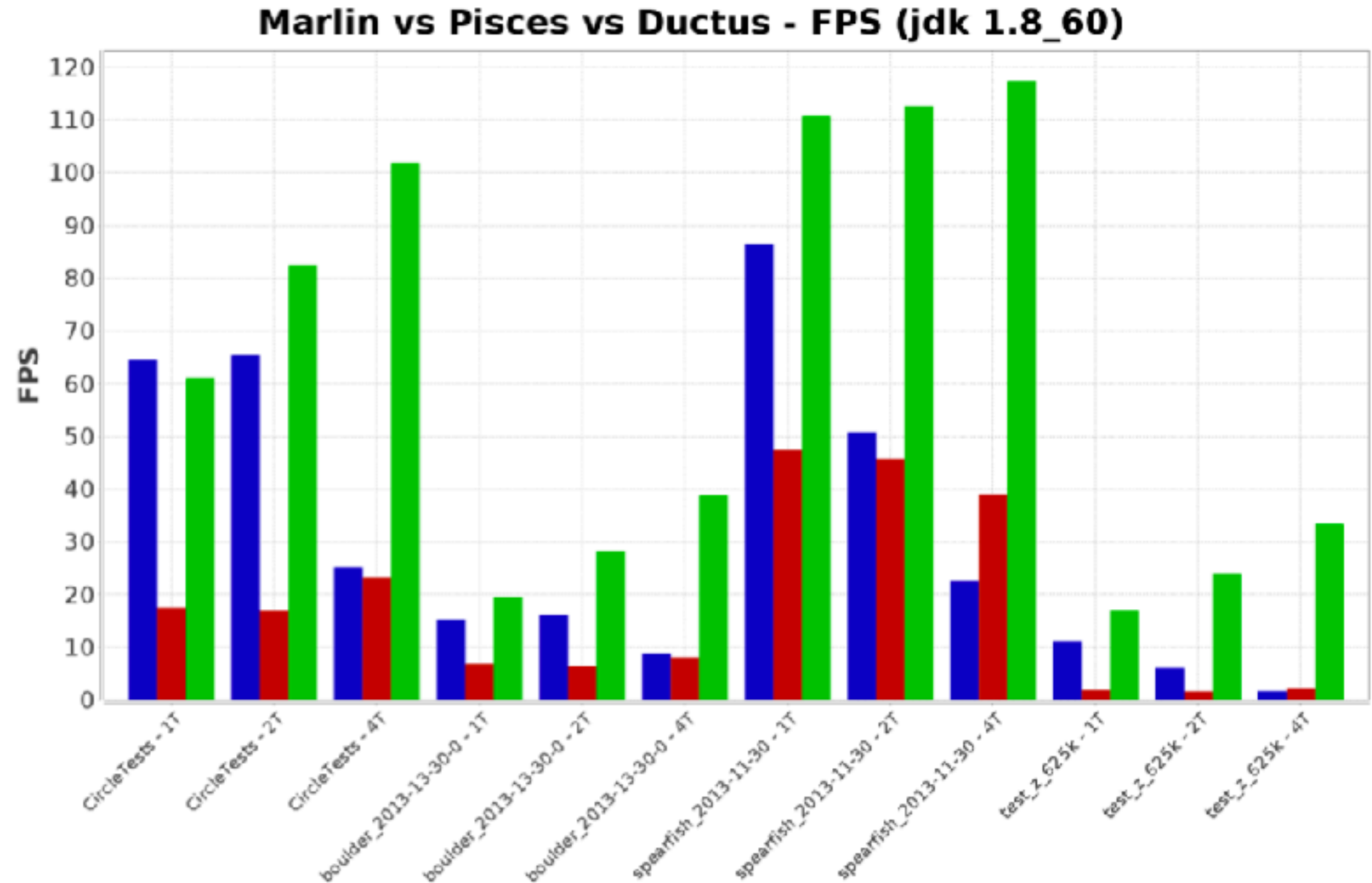
Ductus
(Oracle JDK)



Pisces
(OpenJDK)



Marlin
(OpenJDK 9)



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Platform Specific Desktop Features

`java.awt.Desktop` new methods:

Showing custom about/preferences windows

Showing files with native file explorer

Open native help viewer application

Listen to system events (sleep, app reopened)

`java.awt.desktop` new package with interfaces:

Callback types for events and handlers

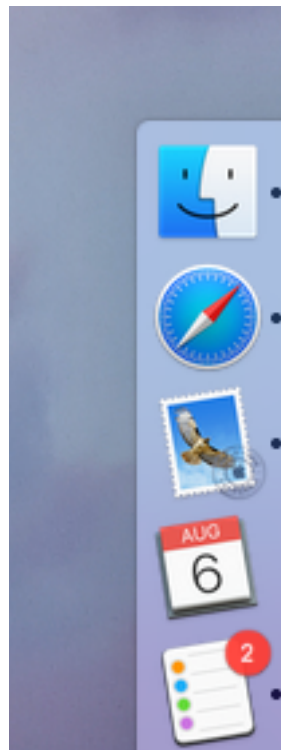
Not supported on all platforms!

a lot of this is driven by the removal of specific `com.apple.eawt` functionality

no surprise that almost all features are supported on at least MacOS

Platform Specific Desktop Features

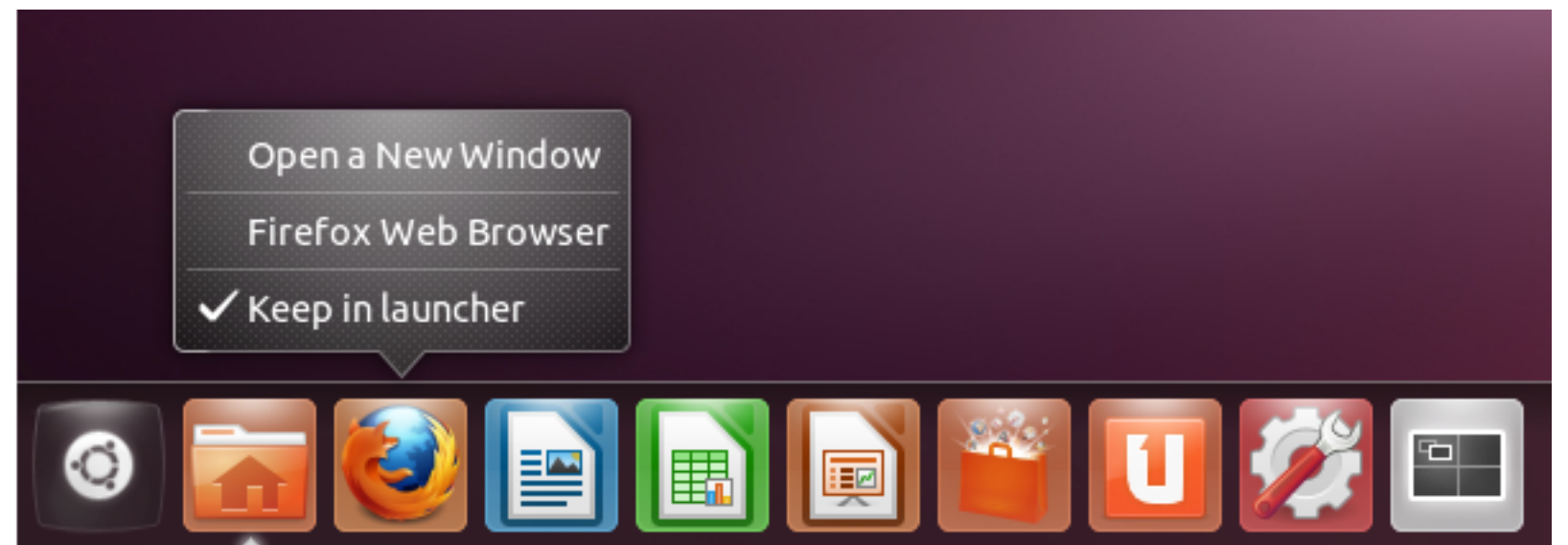
java.awt.Taskbar



MacOS



Windows



Linux (Unity)

Platform Specific Desktop Features

java.awt.Taskbar

Manipulate taskbar icon

Show progress

Manage context menu on taskbar



```
public boolean isSupported(Taskbar.Feature feature)
```


Demo

Taskbar

Show progress in icon

Request user attention when done

Change the Taskbar Icon

```
Taskbar bar = Taskbar.getTaskbar();  
if (bar.isSupported(Taskbar.Feature.ICON_IMAGE)) {  
    Image icon = ImageIO.read(new File("icon.jpg"));  
    bar.setIconImage(icon);  
}
```

Show Progress

```
// ..  
bar.setIconImage(icon);  
// ..
```

```
Thread.sleep(1000);  
for (int i = 0; i <= 100; i++) {  
    bar.setProgressValue(i);  
    Thread.sleep(30);  
}
```

Request User Attention

```
// ..  
bar.setIconImage(icon);  
// ..
```

```
for (int i = 0; i <= 100; i++) {  
    bar.setProgressValue(i);  
    Thread.sleep(30);  
}
```

```
bar.setIconBadge("Done!");
```

Request User Attention

```
// ..  
bar.setIconImage(icon);  
// ..
```

```
for (int i = 0; i <= 100; i++) {  
    bar.setProgressValue(i);  
    Thread.sleep(30);  
}
```

```
bar.setIconBadge("Done!");  
bar.requestUserAttention(true, true);
```

Multi-resolution Images

Represent the same image at different resolutions

```
public interface MultiResolutionImage {  
  
    Image getResolutionVariant(double destImageWidth,  
                               double destImageHeight);  
  
    List<Image> getResolutionVariants();  
  
}
```

Implemented by BaseMultiResolutionImage

Multi-resolution Images

sander_lowres.png



sander.png

[illegible]

Multi-resolution Images

sander_lowres.png



sander.png



```
private static MultiResolutionImage loadImages()  
    throws IOException {  
  
    Image[] images = new Image[] {  
        ImageIO.read(new File("sander_lowres.png")),  
        ImageIO.read(new File("sander.png"))  
    };  
  
}
```


Multi-resolution Images

sander_lowres.png



sander.png



```
private static MultiResolutionImage loadImages()  
    throws IOException {  
  
    Image[] images = new Image[] {  
        ImageIO.read(new File("sander_lowres.png")),  
        ImageIO.read(new File("sander.png"))  
    };  
  
    return new BaseMultiResolutionImage(images);  
}
```

Multi-resolution Images

100x90



157x142



```
MultiResolutionImage mr = loadImages();
```

Multi-resolution Images

100x90



157x142



```
MultiResolutionImage mr = loadImages();
```

```
Image lowres = mr.getResolutionVariant(50, 50);  
Image highres = mr.getResolutionVariant(200, 200);
```

Multi-resolution Images

100x90



157x142



```
MultiResolutionImage mr = loadImages();
```

```
Image lowres = mr.getResolutionVariant(50, 50);
```

```
Image highres = mr.getResolutionVariant(200, 200);
```

```
System.out.printf("Width for 50: %d%n",  
                  lowres.getWidth(null));
```

```
System.out.printf("Width for 200: %d%n",  
                  highres.getWidth(null));
```

Width for 50: 100

Width for 200: 157

TIFF Support

The easy way

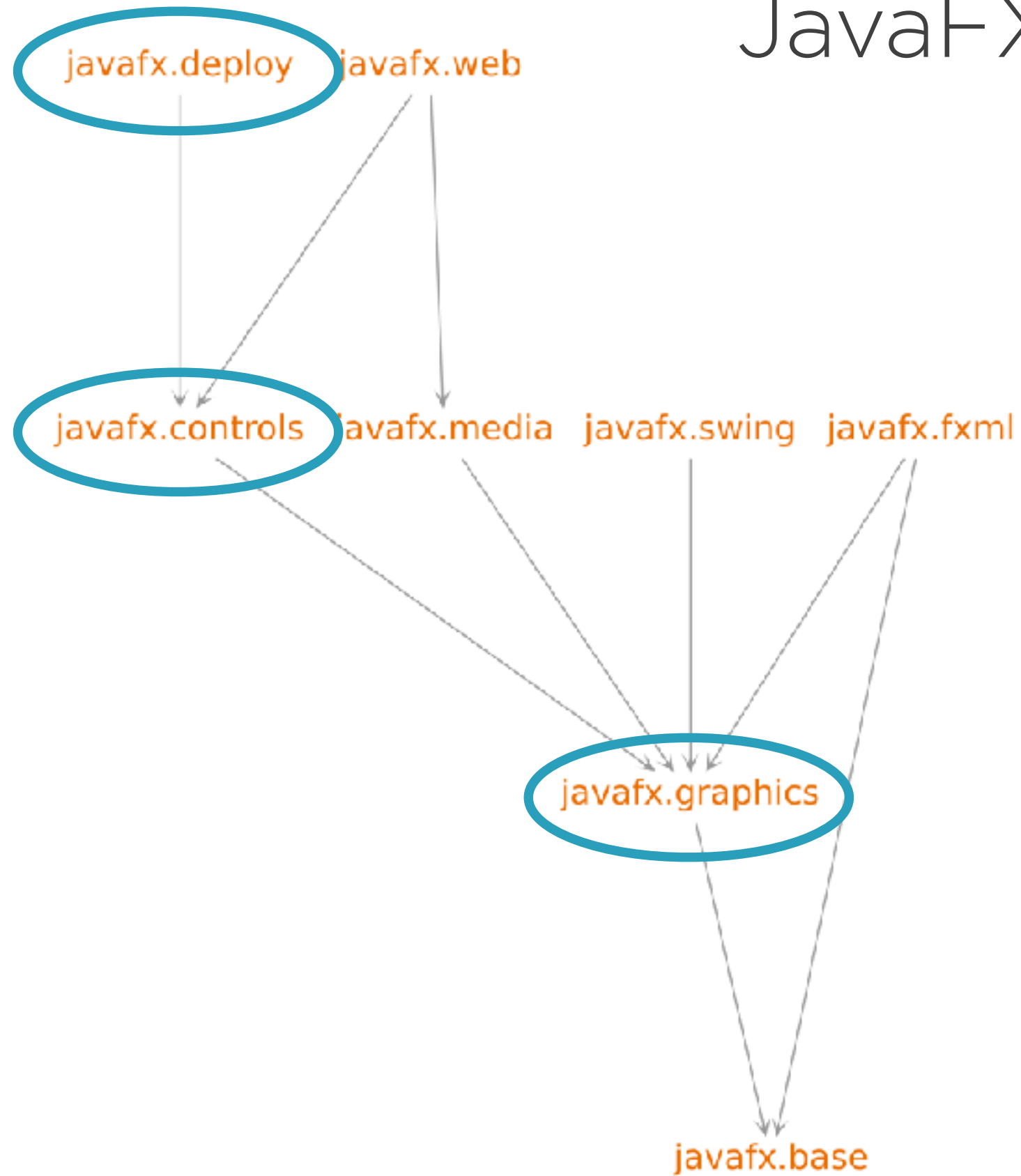
```
BufferedImage img =  
    ImageIO.read(new File("image.tiff"));
```



The slightly less easy way

```
ImageReader tiffReader =  
    ImageIO.getImageReadersByFormatName(  
        "tiff").next();  
tiffReader.setInput(inputStream);  
BufferedImage image = tiffReader.read(0);
```

JavaFX Modules



Single jfxrt.jar split into modules

Exported APIs with encapsulated implementations

Module `javafx.deploy` has no public API

JavaFX Controls

Control

Skin

Behavior

JavaFX Controls in JDK 8

Control

Skin



Behavior



JavaFX Controls in JDK 9

Control

Skin

Behavior



JavaFX New APIs

Control customization requires use of `com.sun.*` internal types



Strong encapsulation prevents their use

New APIs are introduced for

UI control skins (`javafx.scene.control.skin`)

CSS styling of controls (`javafx.css`)

JavaFX New APIs

Public but deprecated methods on public APIs

`javafx.scene.image.Image.impl_getUrl()` -> `getUrl()`



These are all **breaking changes**,
plan accordingly

Summary

Desktop Java Enhancements

Applets officially deprecated

HiDPI and GTK+3 support on Linux

Improved graphics rendering

New API for taskbar interaction

Multi-resolution images

JavaFX modularized with new APIs