

ICS 111

Swing

- top-level containers
- z order
- text components
- Point, Dimension, and Rectangle
- size, bounds, preferred size, and packing
- swing and threads
- lambda expressions
- javax.swing.Timer and animation

review: javax.swing.JFrame

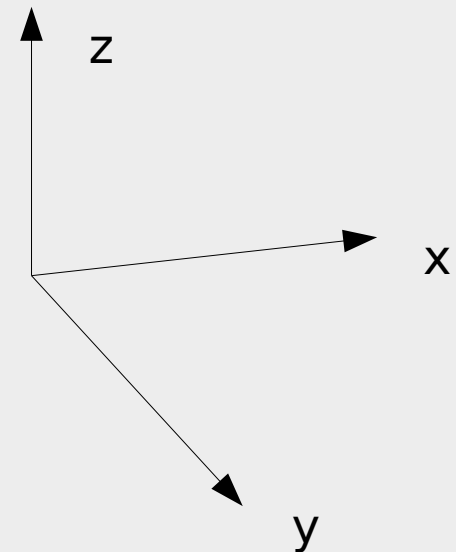
- review: **JFrame** is the object (window) that ultimately gets displayed
- there are three possible top-level objects: JFrame, JDialog, and JApplet
 - JDialog is used for dialogs
 - JApplet was used for Java execution in web browsers
 - JApplet is now deprecated and not generally supported by browsers
- at initialization time, it is a good idea to call `setSize`, `setDefaultCloseOperation(EXIT_ON_CLOSE)`, and finally `setVisible`

default panes in a JFrame

- by default a JFrame has several panes
- In order:
 - rootPane (the lowest of the panes)
 - layeredPane
 - contentPane (and menu bar)
 - any menu bar included within the frame is displayed next to the contentPane
 - setMenuBar
 - glassPane (the top pane)
 - see this [tutorial](#)
- anything drawn on a later/higher pane covers anything drawn on an earlier/lower pane
 - the layeredPane itself provides several layers, again with later layers covering earlier layers
 - frame content layer has the content pane and the menu bar (-30,000)
 - default layer holds contents added without a depth (0)
 - ...
 - popup layer is for menus and other popups (300)
 - drag layer is for feedback while dragging (400)
 - see this [tutorial](#)

z order

- sometimes we want to carefully place graphical objects next to each other
- other times, we just want to cover whatever is in a given position
- covering is done by specifying z order
- lower z covers higher z
- `setComponentZOrder`
in `java.awt.Container`
- or create a `JLayeredPane`



text components

- review: JTextField and JTextArea
- subclasses of JTextComponent:
- unstyled: JTextField, JFormattedTextField, JPasswordField, JTextArea
 - formatted text field allows you to specify which characters are allowed where and to localize currency and date printing
- styled: JEditorPane, JTextPane
 - may include pictures, varying fonts, etc.
- see this [tutorial](#)

displaying web pages

```
public class Html extends javax.swing.JFrame {
    final static String HOME_PAGE = "http://www.alnt.org";
    public Html(String url) {
        java.awt.Component component = null;
        try {
            javax.swing.JEditorPane page = new javax.swing.JEditorPane(url);
            page.setEditable(false);
            component = page;
        } catch (Exception e) {
            System.out.println("got exception " + e);
            component = new javax.swing.JLabel(url + ": error " + e);
        }
        javax.swing.JScrollPane scroll = new javax.swing.JScrollPane(component);
        setDefaultCloseOperation(EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        add(scroll);
        pack(); // reset the size to match the contents - no need for setSize
        setVisible(true);
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        if (args.length == 0) {
            Html myPage = new Html(HOME_PAGE);
        } else {
            for (String s: args) {
                Html myPage = new Html(s);
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Point, Dimension, and Rectangle

- a number of primitive dimensional types are defined in `java.awt`, and used throughout `awt` and `swing`
- `Point` represents an `x,y` coordinate
- `Dimension` represents a width and a height
- `Rectangle` has the `x,y` of the upper left corner and a width and a height

size and preferred size, pack, bounds

- setSize sets the current size of a JFrame:
 - setSize(int width, int height);
 - method inherited from java.awt.Window
- for any java.awt.Component, can call setPreferredSize(Dimension size)
- java.awt.Window.pack() sets the size “to fit the preferred size and layout of the subcomponents”
 - so JFrame.pack() automatically sets the size
- for any java.awt.Window can call setBounds(Rectangle newBounds)
these bounds give the new position (on the screen) and size of the window

single-threaded model

- when you create a JFrame, the code connected with the JFrame executes in response to user actions, and independently of your main method
- that means the display code runs in a special thread called the **event dispatching thread**
- so now your program has two threads: the main thread and the event dispatching thread
- when the main thread wants to execute something in the event dispatching thread, it must request that the code be invoked later:

```
javax.swing.SwingUtilities.invokeLater(Runnable r)
```

- the Runnable interface requires the run method:

```
public interface Runnable {  
    void run();  
}
```

- the run method, when scheduled with invokeLater, is allowed to modify frames, repaint, and do any other kind of display operations

lambda expressions

- we have seen many cases of interfaces which only require one method
- these interfaces often are the type of a parameter to a method
 - we may build them using anonymous classes
 - Runnable is an example
- in mathematics, a functional expression is called a **lambda expression** (λ -expression)
- in Java, we can build an anonymous class that matches a single-function interface by anonymously specifying the function:

```
new Runnable( () -> System.out.println("hello world"));  
new Runnable( () -> {  
    setSize(100, 100);  
    setVisible(false); }));
```

- This on-the-fly function definition in Java is also called a lambda expression

javax.swing.Timer

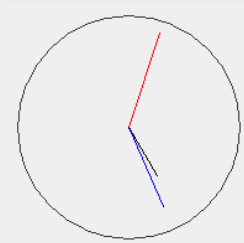
- code in the event dispatch thread should never sleep
 - instead, such code can schedule an event for a later time
 - specified in milliseconds from now, e.g 500 is ½ a second
- ```
javax.swing.Timer timer =
 new javax.swing.Timer(500, myActionListener);
```
- `timer.start()` starts the timer
  - this timer event is scheduled in the same way as user interaction events
  - normally timers run forever
    - `timer.setRepeat(false)` makes the timer run only once
  - `java.util.Timer` is similar and useful for other things, but should not be used for displaying graphics

# using a Timer for animation

```
public class Clock extends javax.swing.JFrame {
 public static final int offset = 32;
 private void drawHand(java.awt.Graphics g, int
clockRadius, int minutes, double lengthFraction)
{
 int centerX = clockRadius;
 int centerY = clockRadius;
 // in math 0 degrees is to the right
 // on the clock 0 minutes is vertical
 int mathAngle =
 (360 * minutes / 60 + 270) % 360;
 double angle = 2 * Math.PI *
 (double)mathAngle / 360.0;
 double handLength =
 lengthFraction * (double)clockRadius;
 int endX = centerX +
 (int)Math.round(handLength *
 Math.cos(angle));
 int endY = centerY +
 (int)Math.round(handLength *
 Math.sin(angle));
 g.drawLine(centerX, centerY, endX, endY);
}
```

```
public Clock(int size) {
 java.awt.event.ActionListener updateClock =
 new java.awt.event.ActionListener() {
 public void actionPerformed(java.awt.event.ActionEvent e){
 repaint();
 }
 };
 new javax.swing.Timer(1000, updateClock).start();
 add(new javax.swing.JComponent() {
 protected void paintComponent(java.awt.Graphics g) {
 g.drawOval(10, 10, size - 20, size - 20); // clock face
 java.util.GregorianCalendar cal =
 new java.util.GregorianCalendar();
 cal.setTime(new java.util.Date());
 drawHand(g, size / 2, cal.get(java.util.Calendar.SECOND),
 0.85);
 drawHand(g, size / 2, cal.get(java.util.Calendar.MINUTE),
 0.7);
 drawHand(g, size / 2, cal.get(java.util.Calendar.HOUR) * 5,
 0.45);
 }
 });
 setSize(size, size + offset);
 setDefaultCloseOperation(EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
 setVisible(true);
}

public static void main (String[] ignored) {
 Clock myClock = new Clock(200);
}
```



# AnimationTimer

- public abstract class **AnimationTimer**

`javafx.animation.AnimationTimer` allows to create a timer, that is called in each frame while it is active. An extending class has to override the method `handle(long timestamp)` which will be called in every frame.

- frames are typically 60 times per second, or once every 16ms or so

# Summary

- writing apps with swing
  - lots and lots of classes and methods to help write useful, reasonably-looking apps
  - layering: graphics “on top” (lower z) hide graphics “below”
- understand the thread model: all display actions must be done in the event handling thread
  - main thread can request actions to be executed in the event handling thread
  - timers can schedule actions to be executed in the event handling thread at a later time
- Android, iOS, have different systems but similar principles