

Lecture 23



CompSci 101

Components



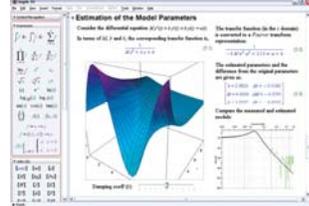
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Components

Java Desktop Applications

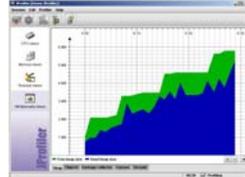


Java Desktop Applications

Maple



JProfiler



Java GUI



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<http://java.sun.com/products/jfc/tsc/sightings/>

J2ME Applications

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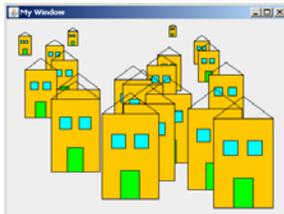
Gmail mobile client



Mapping application on a BlackBerry

Another drawing example

Consider the following picture of a village:



Each house is of the same design, but has a different size and position.

How would you write a program to do this?

House

A house can be defined by:

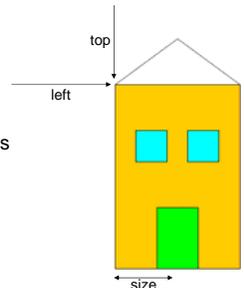
- its *size*
- its *position*

What size actually represents is arbitrary, but it can be used to calculate the correct relative sizes of all parts of the house.

width of house = size * 2

height of house = size * 3

size of window = size / 2



A House class

```
public class House {  
  
    private int size;  
    private int left;  
    private int top;  
  
    public House(int size, int left, int top) {  
        this.size = size;  
        this.left = left;  
        this.top = top;  
    }  
  
    ....  
}
```

```
public void draw(Graphics g) {  
  
    int houseWidth = size * 2;  
    int houseHeight = houseWidth * 3/2;  
    int houseRight = left + houseWidth;  
    int houseBottom = top + houseHeight;  
  
    int doorWidth = houseWidth/3;  
    int doorHeight = houseHeight/3;  
    int doorLeft = left + (houseWidth-doorWidth)/2;  
    int doorTop = houseBottom - doorHeight;  
  
    int windowSize = houseWidth/4;  
    int windowLeft = left + (houseWidth-windowSize*2)/3;  
    int windowRight = windowLeft + (windowSize*2)/3+windowSize;  
    int windowTop = top + houseHeight/4;  
  
    int roofPeakX = left + houseWidth/2;  
    int roofPeakY = top - houseHeight/4;  
  
    ....  
}
```

```
....  
  
// Fill in the main structure of the house  
g.setColor( Color.orange );  
g.fillRect( left, top, houseWidth, houseHeight );  
  
// Paint the door  
g.setColor( Color.green );  
g.fillRect( doorLeft, doorTop, doorWidth, doorHeight );  
  
// Paint the windows  
g.setColor( Color.cyan );  
g.fillRect( windowLeft, windowTop, windowSize, windowSize );  
g.fillRect( windowRight, windowTop, windowSize, windowSize );  
  
// Draw all the borders  
g.setColor( Color.black );  
g.drawRect( left, top, houseWidth, houseHeight );  
g.drawRect( doorLeft, doorTop, doorWidth, doorHeight );  
g.drawRect( windowLeft, windowTop, windowSize, windowSize );  
g.drawRect( windowRight, windowTop, windowSize, windowSize );  
g.drawLine( left, top, roofPeakX, roofPeakY );  
g.drawLine( roofPeakX, roofPeakY, houseRight, top );  
}
```

Drawing several houses

We can create and draw two houses:

```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
  
    private House h1, h2;  
  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        h1 = new House(40, 50, 80);  
        h2 = new House(75, 200, 120);  
    }  
  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
  
        h1.draw(g);  
        h2.draw(g);  
    }  
}
```



Drawing a village

To draw the village as before, we can declare an array of House objects:

```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
  
    House[] houses;  
  
    public MyJPanel() {  
    }  
  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

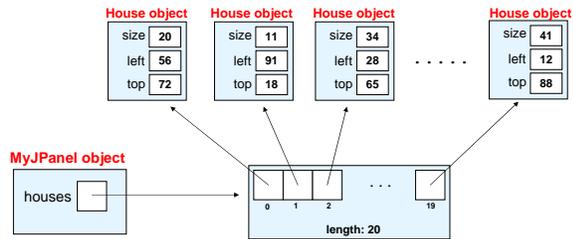
Drawing a village

We would construct the array and the House objects in the constructor method of the JPanel class:

```
public MyJPanel() {  
  
    houses = new House[20];  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < houses.length; i++) {  
        int size = 5 + i*2;  
        int left = (int)(Math.random()*300);  
        int down = 10 + i*7;  
        houses[i] = new House(size, left, down);  
    }  
}
```

Drawing a village

We can visualise the array of House objects as follows:

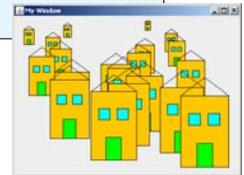


Drawing a village

And then draw the objects in the paintComponent() method:

```
public void paintComponent(Graphics g){
    super.paintComponent(g);

    for (int i = 0; i < houses.length; i++) {
        houses[i].draw(g);
    }
}
```



Components

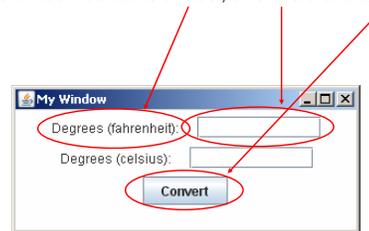
- Most GUIs contain components such as buttons and textfields with which users interact

For example, consider the Preferences dialog box in TextPad:



Components

- This window contains a label, a textfield and a button:



JButtons

```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {

    public MyJPanel() {

    }

    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){
        super.paintComponent(g);
    }
}
```



JButtons

```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {

    private JButton clickMe;

    public MyJPanel() {

    }

    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){
        super.paintComponent(g);
    }
}
```



JButtons



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JButton clickMe;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        clickMe = new JButton("Click me!");  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JButtons



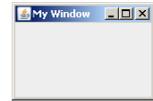
```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JButton clickMe;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        clickMe = new JButton("Click me!");  
        add(clickMe);  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JTextFields



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
  
    public MyJPanel() {  
  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JTextFields



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JTextField words;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JTextFields



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JTextField words;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        words = new JTextField("Hello there!");  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JTextFields



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JTextField words;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        words = new JTextField("Hello there!");  
        add(words);  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JTextFields



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JTextField words;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        words = new JTextField(10);  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JTextFields



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JTextField words;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        words = new JTextField(10);  
        add(words);  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JLabels



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JLabel promptUser;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JLabels



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JLabel promptUser;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        promptUser = new JLabel("Enter value:");  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

JLabels



```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JLabel promptUser;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        promptUser = new JLabel("Enter value:");  
        add(promptUser);  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```

Multiple components

```
private JButton aButton, anotherButton;  
private JTextField aTextField;  
public MyJPanel() {  
    aButton = new JButton("Click here");  
    aTextField = new JTextField("Great - some text!");  
    anotherButton = new JButton("No, click here!");  
    add(aButton);  
    add(aTextField);  
    add(anotherButton);  
}
```



Layout

- The default layout of components in the window is called a *FlowLayout*
- Components are positioned from left to right, top to bottom, in the order they were added to the window
- If the window is resized, the components will be automatically repositioned



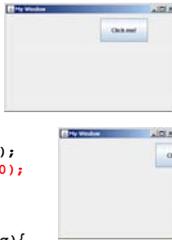
Null Layout

- We can choose not to use an automatic layout, by making the method call:
`setLayout(null);`
- In this case, we have to explicitly set the positions of each component on the screen by calling the `setBounds()` method on each component:

```
setBounds(int x, int y, int width, int height);
```

Null Layout

```
public class MyJPanel extends JPanel {  
    private JButton button;  
    public MyJPanel() {  
        setLayout(null);  
        button = new JButton("Click me!");  
        button.setBounds(200, 10, 100, 50);  
        add(button);  
    }  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g){  
        super.paintComponent(g);  
    }  
}
```



Background colour

- By default, the background colour of our window is light gray
- We can change this background colour by calling the following method in the constructor of the JPanel class:

```
setBackground(Color color)
```

Background colour

```
public MyJPanel() {  
    setBackground(Color.white);  
    ...  
}  
  
public MyJPanel() {  
    setBackground(Color.yellow);  
    ...  
}
```



getText() and setText()

- Given a JTextField object called `input`, we can call the following two methods on this object:

```
String userInput = input.getText();  
input.setText("The answer is 42");
```

- We need to learn about event handling to see how this can be useful