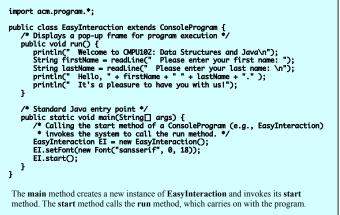
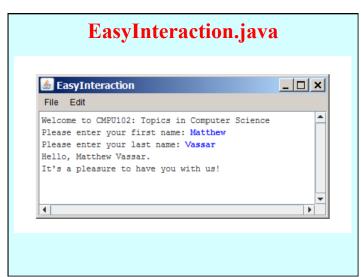
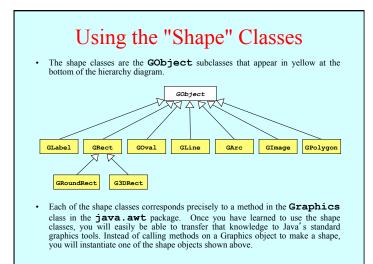


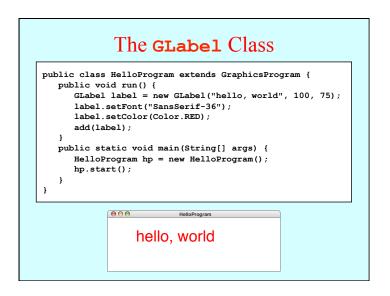
- Library of Java classes that simplify input, output and interaction with users.
- Intended for use by students learning Java programming.
- Available on class wiki.

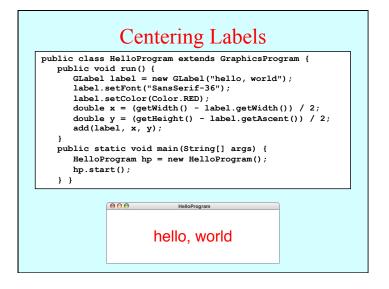
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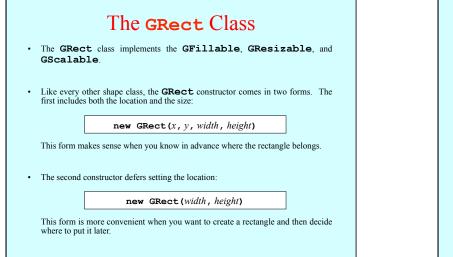


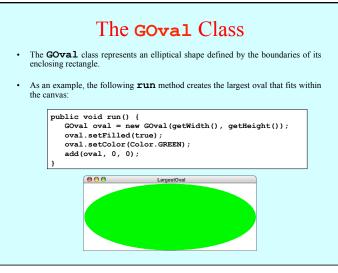


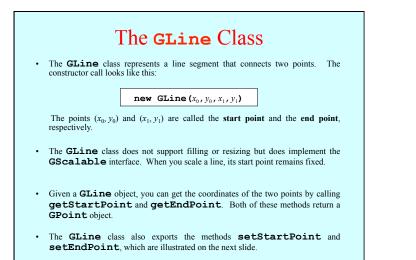






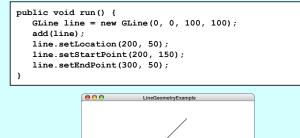






Setting Points in a GLine

The following **run** method illustrates the difference between the **setLocation** method (which moves both points together) and **setStartPoint/setEndPoint** (which move only one):



The GImage Class

 The GImage class is used to display an image from a file. The constructor has the form

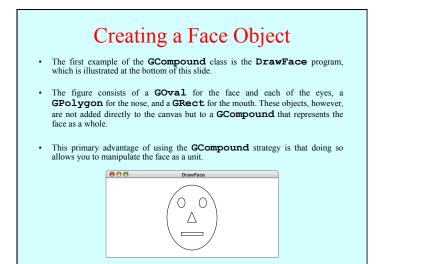
new GImage(imagefile, x, y)

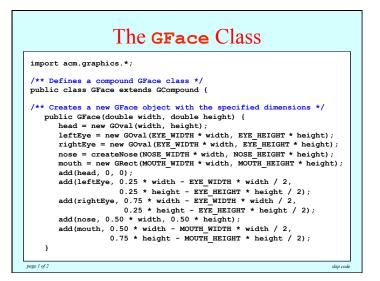
where *image file* is the name of a file containing a stored image and x and y are the coordinates of the upper left corner of the image.

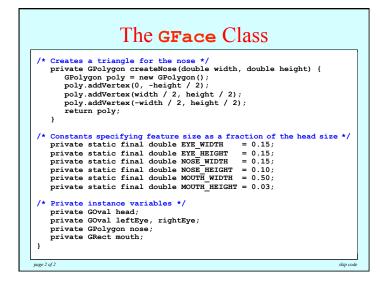
- When Java executes the constructor, it looks for the file in the current directory and then in a subdirectory named **images**.
- To make sure that your programs will run on a wide variety of platforms, it is best to use one of the two most common image formats: the Graphical Interchange Format (GIF) and the Joint Photographic Experts Group (JPEG) format. Typically, your image file name will end with the suffix .gif for GIF files and either.jpg or .jpeg for JPEG files.

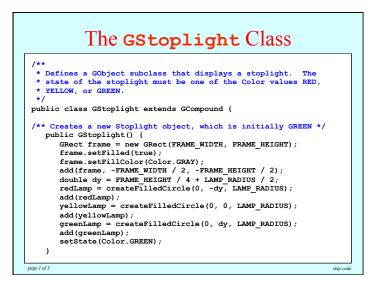
Creating Compound Objects

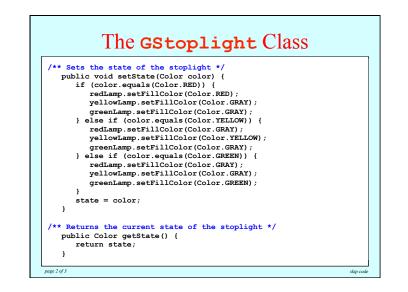
- The GCompound class in the acm.graphics package makes it possible to combine several graphical objects so that the resulting structure behaves as a single GObject.
- The easiest way to think about the GCompound class is as a combination of a GCanvas and a GObject. A GCompound is like a GCanvas in that you can add objects to it, but it is also like a GObject in that you can add it to a canvas.
- As was true in the case of the GPolygon class, a GCompound object has its own coordinate system that is expressed relative to a reference point. When you add new objects to the GCompound, you use the local coordinate system based on the reference point. When you add the GCompound to the canvas as a whole, all you have to do is set the location of the reference point; the individual components will automatically appear in the right locations relative to that point.

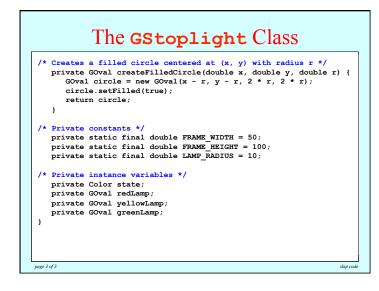








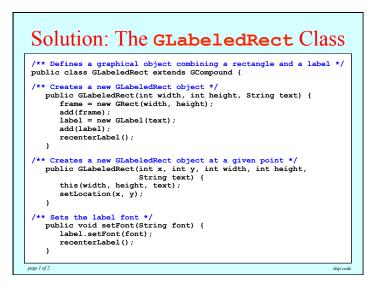


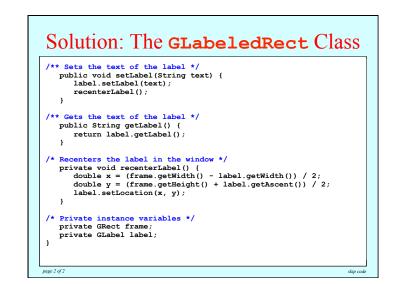




constructors that are similar to those for **GRect** but include an extra argument for the label. It should also export **setLabel**, **getLabel**, and **setFont** methods. The following **run** method illustrates the use of the class:





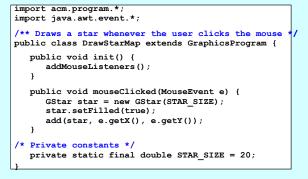


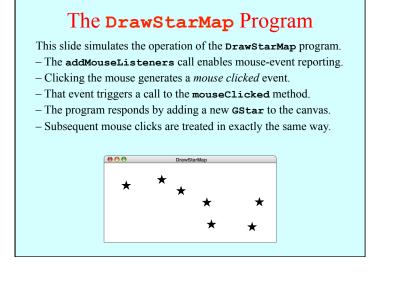
Event Types

- Java events come in many different types. The event types used in this book include the following:
 - Mouse events, which occur when the user moves or clicks the mouse
 - Keyboard events, which occur when the user types on the keyboard
 - Action events, which occur in response to user-interface actions
- Each event type is associated with a set of methods that specify how listeners should respond. These methods are defined in a **listener interface** for each event type.
- As an example, one of the methods in the mouse listener interface is mouseClicked. As you would expect, Java calls that method when you click the mouse.
- Listener methods like **mouseClicked** take a parameter that contains more information about the event. In the case of **mouseClicked**, the argument is a **MouseEvent** indicating the location at which the click occurred.

A Simple Event-driven Program

The easiest way to illustrate event handling is by example. The following program listens for mouse clicks and draws a star at the point that each mouse click occurs:





Responding to Mouse Events

- The DrawStarMap program on the preceding slide offers a useful illustration of how you can make programs respond to mouse events. The general steps you need are:
 - 1. Define a run method that calls addMouseListeners.
 - 2. Write new definitions of any listener methods you need.
- The most common mouse events are shown in the following table, along with the name of the appropriate listener method:

mouseClicked(e)	Called when the user clicks the mouse
mousePressed(e)	Called when the mouse button is pressed
<pre>mouseReleased(e)</pre>	Called when the mouse button is released
mouseMoved(e)	Called when the user moves the mouse
mouseDragged(e)	Called when the mouse is dragged with the button down

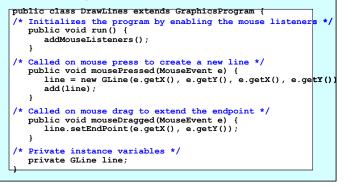
The parameter e is a **MouseEvent** object, which provides more data about the event, such as the location of the mouse.

Mouse Listeners in the ACM Libraries

- At a more detailed level, Java's approach to mouse listeners is not as simple as the previous slide implies. To maximize efficiency, Java defines two distinct listener interfaces:
 - The **MouseListener** interface responds to mouse events that happen relatively infrequently, such as clicking the mouse button.
 - The **MouseMotionListener** interface responds to the much more rapid-fire events that occur when you move or drag the mouse.
- The packages in the ACM Java Libraries adopt the following strategies to make mouse listeners easier to use:
 - The GraphicsProgram class includes empty definitions for every method in the MouseListener and the MouseMotionListener interfaces. Doing so means that you don't need to define all of these methods but can instead simply override the ones you need.
 - The GraphicsProgram class also defines the addMouseListeners method, which adds the program as a listener for both types of events.
 - The net effect of these simplifications is that you don't have to think about the difference between these two interfaces.

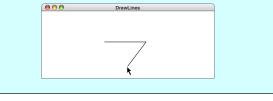
A Simple Line-Drawing Program

In all likelihood, you have at some point used an application that allows you to draw lines with the mouse. In Java, that program takes less than a page of code.





- The addMouseListeners call in init enables mouse events.
- Depressing the mouse button generates a mouse pressed event.
- The **mousePressed** call adds a zero-length line to the canvas.
- Dragging the mouse generates a series of mouse dragged events.
- Each **mouseDragged** call extends the line to the new position.
- Releasing the mouse stops the dragging operation.
- Repeating these steps adds new lines to the canvas.

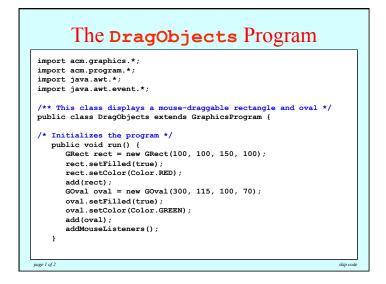


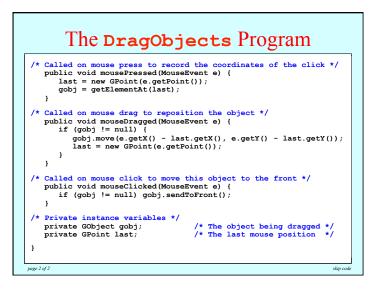
Dragging Objects on the Canvas

The DragObjects program on the next slide uses mouse events to drag objects around the canvas.

- Pressing the mouse button selects an object.
- Dragging the mouse moves the selected object.
- Repeating these steps makes it possible to drag other objects.
- Clicking the mouse moves the selected object to the front.







Responding to Keyboard Events

- The general strategy for responding to keyboard events is similar to that for mouse events, even though the events are different. Once again, you need to take the following steps:
 - 1. Define a **run** method that calls **addKeyListeners**.
 - 2. Write new definitions of any listener methods you need.
- The most common key events are:

keyPressed(e)	Called when the user presses a key
<pre>keyReleased(e)</pre>	Called when the key comes back up
keyTyped(e)	Called when the user types (presses and releases) a key

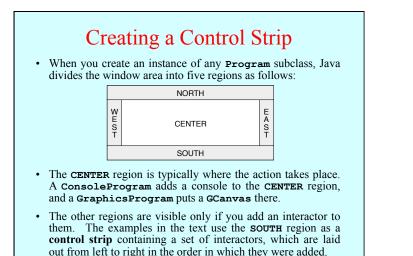
In these methods, e is a **KeyEvent** object, which indicates which key is involved along with additional data to record which modifier keys (SHIFT, CTRL, and ALT) were down at the time of the event.

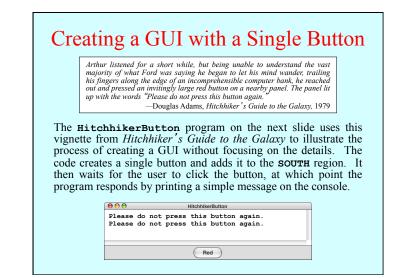
Identifying the Key

- The process of determining which key generated the event depends on the type of key event you are using.
- If you are coding the keyTyped method, the usual strategy is to call getKeyChar on the event, which returns the character generated by that key. The getKeyChar method takes account of modifier keys, so that typing the a key with the SHIFT key down generates the character 'A'.
- When you implement the keyPressed and keyReleased methods, you need to call getKeyCode instead. This method returns an integer code for one of the keys. A complete list of the key codes appears in Figure 10-6 on page 361. Common examples include the ENTER key (VK_ENTER), the arrow keys (VK_LEFT, VK_RIGHT, VK_UP, VK_DOWN), and the function keys (VK_F1 through VK_F12).

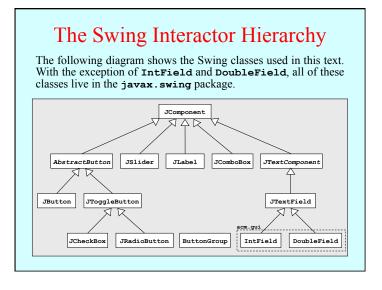
Creating a Simple GUI

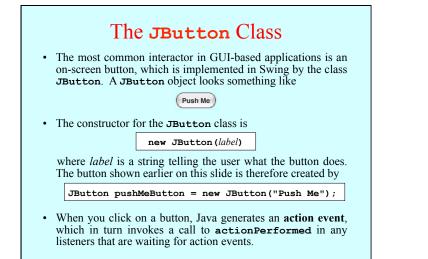
- There is more to creating a modern interactive program than responding to mouse and keyboard events. Most application programs today include a graphical user interface or GUI (pronounced gooey) consisting of buttons and other on-screen controls. Collectively, these controls are called interactors.
- Java defines many types of interactors, most of which are part of a collection called the Swing library, which is described in section 10.6. You create a GUI by constructing the Swing interactors you need and then arranging them appropriately in the program window.
- The text outlines two strategies for arranging interactors on the screen. The simple approach is to create a control strip along one of the edges of the window, as described on the next slide. You can, however, create more general GUIs by using Java's layout managers, as described in section 10.7.











Detecting Action Events

- Before you can detect action events, you need to enable an action listener for the buttons on the screen. The easiest strategy is to call addActionListeners at the end of the **run** method. This call adds the program as a listener to all the buttons on the display.
- You specify the response to a button click by overriding the definition of **actionPerformed** with a new version that implements the correct actions for each button.
- If there is more than one button in the application, you need to be able to tell which one caused the event. There are two strategies for doing so:
 - 1. Call getSource on the event to obtain the button itself.
- 2. Call getActionCommand on the event to get the action command string, which is initially set to the button label.

Adding Features to DrawStarMap

- The text illustrates the various Swing interactors by adding new features to the **DrawStarMap** application. The first step is adding a Clear button that erases the screen.
- Adding the button is accomplished in the init method:

public void init() {
 add(new JButton("Clear"), SOUTH);
 addActionListeners();

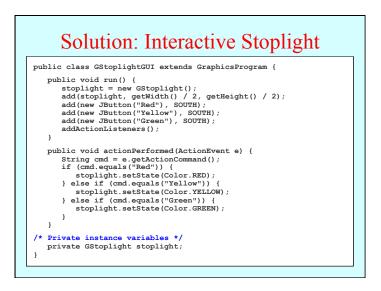
• The response to the button appears in **actionPerformed**:

```
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
    if (e.getActionCommand().equals("Clear")) {
        removeAll();
    }
}
```



Using the GStoplight class defined in the slides for Chapter 9, write a GraphicsProgram that creates a stoplight and three buttons labeled Red, Yellow, and Green, as shown in the sample run below. Clicking on a button should send a message to the stoplight to change its state accordingly.

000	GStoplightGUI	
e	Red Yellow Green	



The JToggleButton Class

- The **JToggleButton** class is another type of button that is similar to **JButton** but maintains an on/off state. On the screen, a **JToggleButton** looks just like a **JButton** except for the fact that it stays on after you release the mouse button.
- As its name suggests, a JToggleButton toggles back and forth between on and off when it is clicked. Clicking the first time turns it from off to on; clicking a second time turns it off.



- You can determine whether a JToggleButton is on by calling isSelected, which returns true if the button is on.
- The **JToggleButton** class itself is not used as much as two of its subclasses, **JCheckBox** and **JRadioButton**, which are described on the next two slides.

The JCheckBox Class

- The JCheckBox class is a subclass of JToggleButton and therefore inherits its behavior.
- In terms of its operation, a JCheckBox works exactly like an instance of its parent class. The only difference is in what the button looks like on the screen. In a JCheckBox, the button label appears to the right of a small square that either contains or does not contain a check mark, like this:

CheckBox

- Because a JCheckBox is a JToggleButton, you can call the isSelected method to determine its state.
- Like a JButton, a JCheckBox generates action events when it is clicked. Both of these classes inherit this behavior from AbstractButton, which is their common superclass.

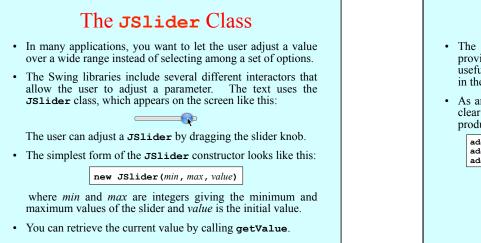


• The **JRadioButton** class also extends **JToggleButton** and behaves in much the same way. In this case, the button is displayed as a circle that is tinted and marked with a dot when it is selected, as follows:

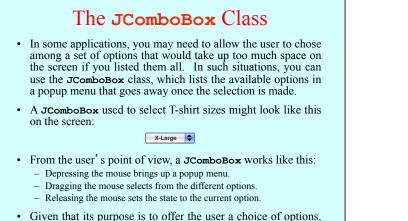
Radio button

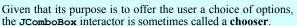
- Radio buttons are ordinarily not used individually but instead as a set. If you create a **ButtonGroup** object and then add several radio buttons to it, the Swing libraries make sure that only one of those buttons is selected at a time.
- Grouped radio buttons are used to allow the user to choose among several mutually exclusive options. As an example, the text extends the **DrawStarMap** program to allow the user to choose the size of the star by selecting a radio button:

Small 😑 Medium 💽 Large



The **JLabel** Class • The interactors you display on the screen sometimes don't provide the user with enough information. In such cases, it is useful to include **JLabel** objects, which appear as text strings in the user interface but do not respond to any events. • As an example, if you wanted to label a slider so that it was clear it controlled size, you could use the following code to produce the control strip shown at the bottom of the screen: add(new JLabel("Small"), SOUTH); add(sizeSlider, SOUTH); add(new JLabel("Large"), SOUTH); 000 DrawStarMap _____ Large Small C





Using the **JComboBox** Interactor

- The standard constructor for a JComboBox creates an empty interactor that contains no options: you then add the desired options by calling the addItem method for each one.
- The code to create the T-shirt size chooser looks like this:

```
JComboBox sizeChooser = new JComboBox();
sizeChooser.addItem("Small");
sizeChooser.addItem("Medium");
sizeChooser.addItem("Large");
sizeChooser.addItem("X-Large");
sizeChooser.setEditable(false);
```

The last line prevents the user from typing in some other size.

- The items in a **JComboBox** need not be strings but can instead be any object. The label that appears in the popup menu is determined by applying the object's toString method.
- The getSelectedItem and setSelectedItem methods allow you to determine and set which item is selected.

	The JTextField Class
•	Although Swing's set of interactors usually make it possible for the user to control an application using only the mouse, there are nonetheless some situations in which keyboard input is necessary.
•	You can accept keyboard input in a user interface by using the JTextField class, which provides the user with an area in which it is possible to enter a single line of text.
•	The HelloGUI program on the next slide illustrates the use of the JTextField class in a ConsoleProgram that prints a greeting each time a name is entered in the text field.
	HelloGUI

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Wello, world. Wello, Eric.	
	Name Eric

The HelloGUI Program import acm.program.*; import java.awt.event.*; import javax.swing.*; /** This class displays a greeting whenever a name is entered */ public class HelloGUI extends ConsoleProgram { public void run() { nameField = new JTextField(10); add(new JLabel("Name"), SOUTH); add(nameField, SOUTH); nameField.addActionListener(this); 1 public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) { if (e.getSource() == nameField) { println("Hello, " + nameField.getText()); 3 /* Private instance variables */ private JTextField nameField;

Notes on the **JTextField** Class

• The constructor for the **JTextField** class has the form

new JTextField(columns)

where *columns* is the number of text columns assigned to the field. The space often appears larger than one might expect, because Java reserves space for the widest characters.

- You can get and set the string entered in a **JTextField** by calling the **getText** and **setText** methods.
- A **JTextField** generates an action event if the user presses the ENTER key in the field. If you want your program to respond to that action event, you need to register the program as an action listener for the field. In the **HelloGUI** example, the action listener is enabled by the statement

nameField.addActionListener(this);

Numeric Fields

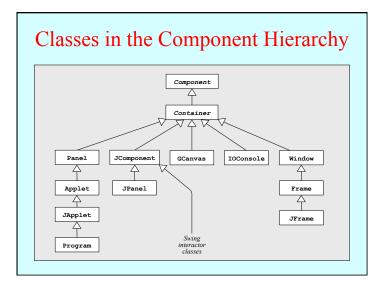
- The acm.gui package includes two JTextField subclasses that simplify the process of reading numeric input within a graphical user interface. The IntField class interprets its text string as an int; the DoubleField class interprets the text string as a double.
- In addition to the usual operations on a **JTextField**, the **IntField** and **DoubleField** classes export **getValue** and **setValue** methods that get and set the numeric value of the field.
- Although it is beyond the scope of the text, the IntField and DoubleField classes support numeric formatting so that you can control the number of digits in the display. The methods that support this capability are described in the javadoc documentation for these classes.

Managing Component Layout

- Although using a control strip along the edge of a program is useful for simple applications, creating a more sophisticated user interface requires you to be able to place interactors anywhere inside a window.
- Arranging interactors to form an elegant, easy-to-use interface is a difficult design challenge. One of the factors that complicates this type of design is the fact that the size of the program window can change over time. A layout that makes sense for a large window may not be appropriate for a small one.
- Java seeks to solve the problem of changing window size by using layout managers, which are responsible for arranging interactors and other components when the windows that contain them change size.

Components and Containers

- Understanding how layout managers work is significantly easier if you first understand the relationship between two classes—Component and Container—that are fundamental to Java's windowing system.
- The **Component** class forms the root of Java's window system hierarchy in the sense that anything that appears in a window is a subclass of **Component**.
- The container class is a subclass of component that can contain other Components, thereby making it possible to nest components inside structures of arbitrary depth.
- As you can see from the hierarchy diagram on the next slide, many of the classes you have seen in the text are subclasses of both **Component** and **Container**. In particular, all Swing interactors, the **GCanvas** class, and the **Program** class are both components and containers.



Layout Managers

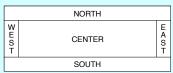
- In Java, each **Container** has a **layout manager**, which is an object that takes responsibility for arranging the components in that container.
- The layout manager for a container is invoked automatically when the size of the container changes. Although automatic invocation is sufficient for most applications, you may at some point encounter situations in which you need to invoke the layout process by calling **validate** on the container.
- A layout manager uses the following factors to arrange the components in a container:
 - The specific policy set by the layout manager
 - The amount of space available in the container
 - The preferred size of each component
 - Any constraints specified when a component was added

Assigning a New Layout Manager

- You can assign a new layout manager to a Container by calling the setLayout method with a new layout manager object that is usually constructed specifically for that purpose.
- The **Program** class overrides the definition of **setLayout** so it forwards the request to the **CENTER** region of the program rather than setting the layout for the program itself. This strategy makes it possible to use a control strip even if you call **setLayout**.
- Although it is possible to write layout managers of your own, you can usually rely on the standard layout managers supplied with Java's libraries. The next few slides describe the **BorderLayout**, **FlowLayout**, and **GridLayout** managers. The more flexible **TableLayout** manager is covered in the slides for section 10.8.

The BorderLayout Manager

• A BorderLayout manager divides its container into five regions, as follows:



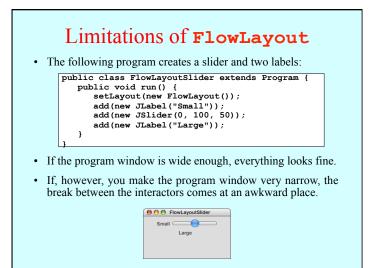
• When you add a component to a container managed by a **BorderLayout**, you need to specify the region, as in

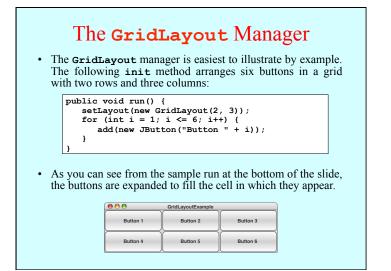
container.add(component, BorderLayout.SOUTH);

 A BorderLayout manager creates the layout by giving the NORTH and SOUTH components their preferred space and then doing the same for the WEST and EAST components. Any remaining space is then assigned to the CENTER component.

The FlowLayout Manager

- The **FlowLayout** manager is in many ways the simplest manager to use and is particularly convenient for getting programs running quickly.
- The FlowLayout manager arranges its components in rows from top to bottom and then from left to right within each row. If there is space within the current row for the next component, the FlowLayout manager puts it there. If not, the layout manager centers the components on the current row and starts the next one. The FlowLayout manager also leaves a little space between each component so that the components don't all run together.
- The problem with the **FlowLayout** manager is that it has no way to make sure that the divisions between the lines come at appropriate places, as illustrated by the example on the next slide.





The Inadequacy of Layout Managers

- The main problem with Java's layout managers is that none of the library classes offer the right combination of simplicity and flexibility.
- The simple managers—BorderLayout, FlowLayout, and GridLayout—don't have enough power to design effective user-interface layouts. Unfortunately, the GridBagLayout manager, which has the necessary flexibility to create good layout designs, is extremely difficult to use.
- To address the lack of a simple but powerful layout manager, the ACM Java Task Force designed a new **TableLayout** manager, which offers all the power of **GridBagLayout** but is much easier to use. The **TableLayout** manager and its features are covered in the next few slides.

Using the TableLayout Class
• The TableLayout manager has much in common with the GridLayout manager. Both managers arrange components into a two-dimensional grid.
• Like GridLayout, the TableLayout constructor takes the number of rows and columns in the grid:
new TableLayout (rows, columns)
• The most noticeable difference between GridLayout and TableLayout is that TableLayout does not expand the components to fit the cells. Thus, if you changed the earlier six-button example to use TableLayout , you would see
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- The real advantage of the **TableLayout** manager is that it allows clients to specify constraints that control the layout. The constraints are expressed as a string, which is passed as a second parameter to the **add** method.
- For example, to add a component **c** to the current table cell and simultaneously indicate that the column should have a minimum width of 100 pixels, you could write

add(c, "width=100");

• To add a label that spans three columns (as a header would likely do), you could write

add(new JLabel("Heading"), "gridwidth=3");

The TableLayout constraints are listed on the next slide.

Available TableLayout Constraints

gridwidth=columns or gridheight=rows

Indicates that this table cell should span the indicated number of columns or rows.

width=pixels or height=pixels

The width specification indicates that the width of this column should be at least the specified number of pixels. The height specification similarly indicates the minimum row height.

weightx=weight or weighty=weight

If the total size of the table is less than the size of its enclosure, **TableLayout** will ordinarily center the table in the available space. If any of the cells, however, are given nonzero **weightx** or **weighty** values, the extra space is distributed along that axis in proportion to the weights specified.

fill=fill

Indicates how the component in this cell should be resized if its preferred size is smaller than the cell size. The legal values are NONE, BORIZONTAL, VERTICAL, and BOTH, indicating the axes along which stretching should occur; the default is BOTH.

anchor=anchor

If a component is not being filled along a particular axis, the **anchor** specification indicates where the component should be placed in its cell. The default value is **CENTER**, but you may also use any of the standard compass directions (NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST, NORTHEAST, NORTHWEST, SOUTHEAST, OF SOUTHEAST,

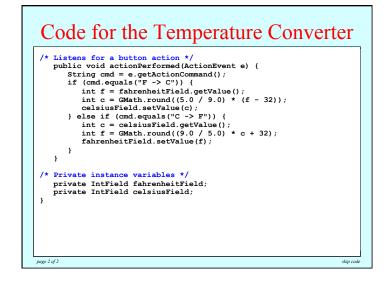
A Temperature Conversion Program

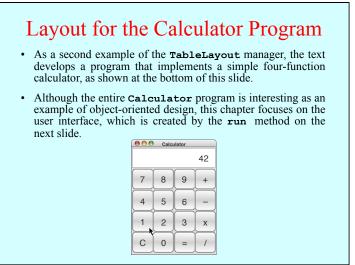
The **TemperatureConverter** program on the next slide uses the **TableLayout** manager to create a simple user interface for a program that converts temperatures back and forth from Celsius to Fahrenheit. The steps involved in using the program are:

- 1. Enter an integer into either of the numeric fields.
- 2. Hit ENTER or click the conversion button.
- 3. Read the result from the other numeric field.

Degrees Fahrenheit 212 F->C Degrees Celsius C->F

Code for the Temperature Converter * This program allows users to convert temperatures back and forth * from Fahrenheit to Celsius. public class TemperatureConverter extends Program { /* Initializes the graphical user interface */ public void run() { setLayout(new TableLayout(2, 3)); fahrenheitField = new IntField(32); fahrenheitField.setActionCommand("F -> C"); fahrenheitField.addActionListener(this); celsiusField = new IntField(0); celsiusField.setActionCommand("C -> F"); celsiusField.addActionListener(this); add(new JLabel("Degrees Fahrenheit")); add(fahrenheitField); add(new JButton("F -> C")); add(new JLabel("Degrees Celsius")); add (celsiusField); add(new JButton("C -> F")); addActionListeners(); page 1 of 2 skip code





	Setting up the Calculator Display
pul	blic void run() {
	<pre>setLayout(new TableLayout(5, 4));</pre>
	display = new CalculatorDisplay();
	<pre>add(display, "gridwidth=4 height=" + BUTTON_SIZE);</pre>
	addButtons(); addActionListeners();
}	addActionListeners();
,	
pr	<pre>ivate void addButtons() {</pre>
	String constraint = "width=" + BUTTON_SIZE + " height=" + BUTTON_SIZE
	<pre>add(new DigitButton(7), constraint);</pre>
	<pre>add(new DigitButton(8), constraint);</pre>
	<pre>add(new DigitButton(9), constraint);</pre>
	add(new AddButton(), constraint);
	add(new DigitButton(4), constraint);
	<pre>add(new DigitButton(5), constraint); add(new DigitButton(6), constraint);</pre>
	add (new SubtractButton (), constraint);
	add(new SubtractButton(), constraint); add(new DigitButton(1), constraint);
	add(new DigitButton(2), constraint);
	add(new DigitButton(3), constraint);
	add(new MultiplyButton(), constraint);
	add(new ClearButton(), constraint);
	add(new DigitButton(0), constraint);
	add(new EqualsButton(), constraint);
	add(new DivideButton(), constraint);