



Introduction to JavaFX

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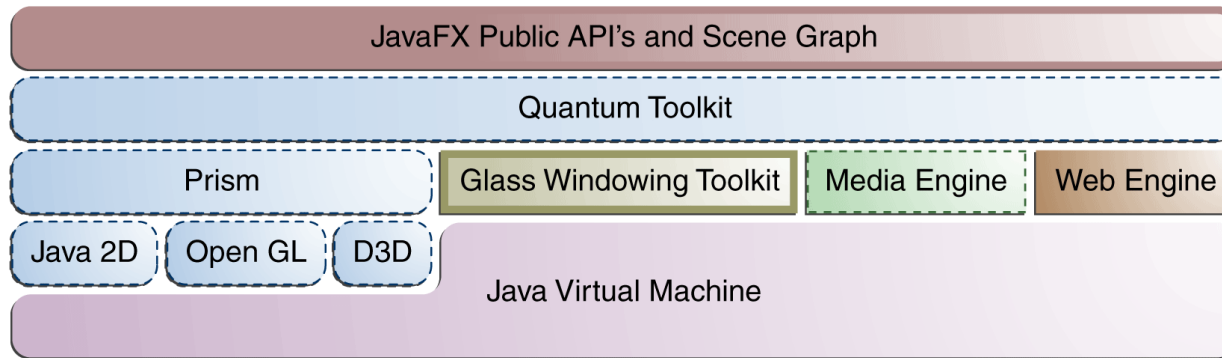
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JavaFX is the Evolution of Java as a Rich Client Platform.

It is designed to provide a modern Java environment featuring a lightweight, hardware accelerated UI platform that meets tomorrow's needs.



JavaFX Runtime High Level Architecture



JavaFX Glossary

- **Glass Windowing Toolkit:** Provides native operating services, such as managing the windows, timers, and surfaces
- **Prism:** Graphics pipeline that can run on hardware and software renderers
- **Quantum Toolkit:** Ties Prism and Glass together and makes them available to the JavaFX APIs

Java APIs and FXML

Java APIs for JavaFX

- End-to-end Java development
- Java language features - generics, annotations, multi-threading
- Fluent API for UI construction
- Alternative JVM supported languages (e.g. Groovy, Scala) with JavaFX
- Leverage sophisticated Java IDEs, debuggers and profilers
- Java APIs preserve convenient JavaFX Script features (e.g., bind)

FXML

- Scriptable, XML-based markup language for defining UI
- Convenient alternative to developing UI programmatically in Java
- Easy to learn and intuitive for developers familiar with web technologies or other markup based UI technologies
- Powerful scripting feature allows embedding scripts within FXML. Any JVM scripting language can be used, including JavaScript, Groovy, and Scala

New Graphics Pipeline

- New hardware accelerated graphics pipeline (Prism)
- New windowing toolkit (Glass) for Prism
- Java2D software pipeline under Prism
- High-level support for making rich graphics simple
 - Shadows, Blurs, Reflections, Effects, 2D transforms
 - 3D Transforms today; Full 3D objects in future

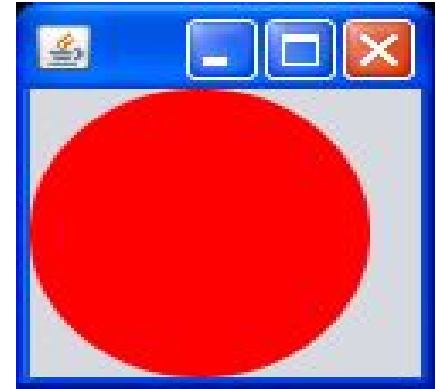
Open Source and Standardization

- JavaFX source code being contributed as part of OpenJFX
<http://openjdk.java.net/projects/openjfx/>
 - Source code being contributed in phases
 - Initial phase: UI Controls
- Oracle is committed to standardize JavaFX through JCP
 - One or more JSRs will be submitted
 - Expected to become part of the Java SE specification

Let's Compare: JavaFX 1.x

```
import javafx.application.*;
import javafx.scene.shape.*;
import javafx.scene.paint.*;
```

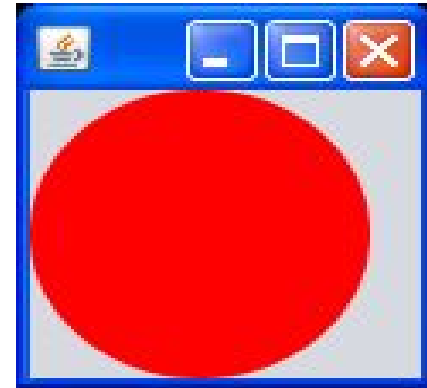
```
Stage {
    scene: Scene {
        Content: [
            Circle {
                centerX: 50
                centerY: 50
                radius: 50
                fill: Color.RED
            }
        ]
    }
}
```



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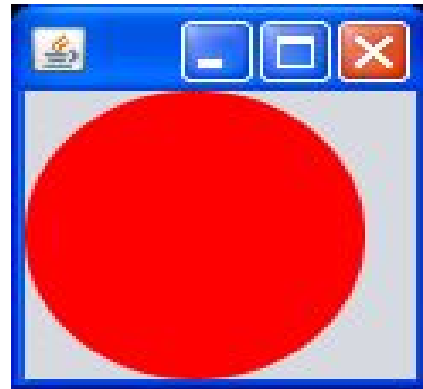
Let's Compare: JavaFX 2.0

```
public class JavaFXTest extends Application {  
    @Override public void start(Stage stage) {  
        Group root = new Group();  
        Scene scene = new Scene(root,100,100);  
        stage.setScene(scene);  
  
        Circle c1 =  
            new Circle(50.0f, 50.0f, 50.0f, Color.RED);  
  
        root.getChildren().add(c1);  
        stage.setVisible(true);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        launch(args);  
    }  
}
```



Let's Compare: FXML

```
<BorderPane>
  <center>
    <Circle radius="50" centerX="50"
      centerY="50" color="red"/>
  </center>
</BorderPane>
```



```
public class JavaFXTest extends Application {
    @Override public void start(Stage stage) {
        stage.setTitle("FXML Example");
        Parent root = FXMLLoader.load(getClass().getResource("example.fxml"),
            ResourceBundle.getBundle("r.fxml_example"));
        stage.setScene(new Scene(root));
        stage.show();
    }
}
```

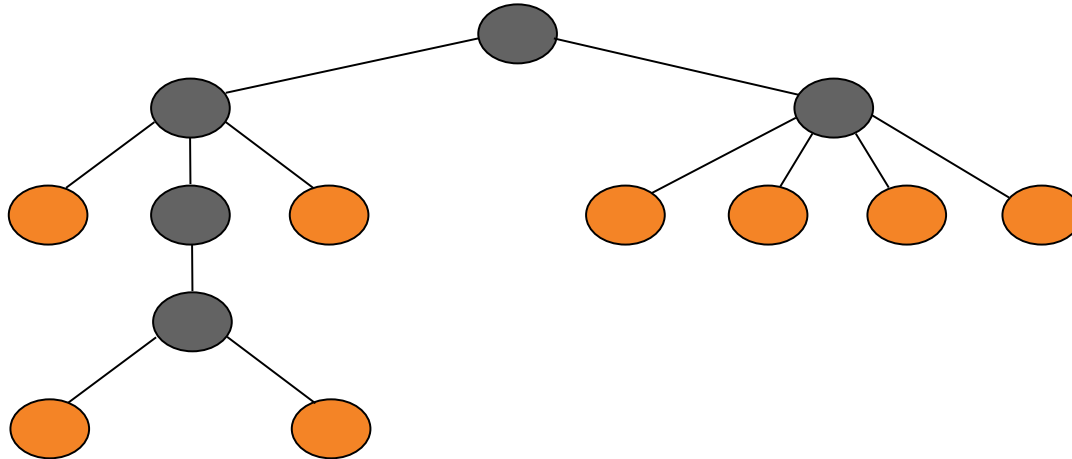
Fluent API

- Controls have associated Builder class
 - e.g. `CircleBuilder extends CircleBuilder>`

```
Circle c = CircleBuilder.  
    create().  
    centreX(50).  
    centreY(50).  
    radius(50).  
    fill(Color.RED).  
    build();
```

Scene Graph

- Directed Acyclic Graph
- Parents and children
- Representation of the GUI components



Media

- Stable media framework based on GStreamer
- VP6, MP3 playback of Web multimedia content
 - Platform specific formats supported via native players/codecs
- Low latency audio
- Alpha channel support
- Performance improvements
- Full screen video

Media

- JavaFX supports both visual and audio media
 - Including low latency audio/alpha channel support
- Cross-platform JavaFX media file format (fxm, mp3)
 - Platform specific formats supported via native players
- Media class represents a media file
- MediaPlayer provides control of the media rendering
- MediaView uses MediaPlayer to render media as Node
 - Many MediaViews can use the same MediaPlayer (cheaply)

Table

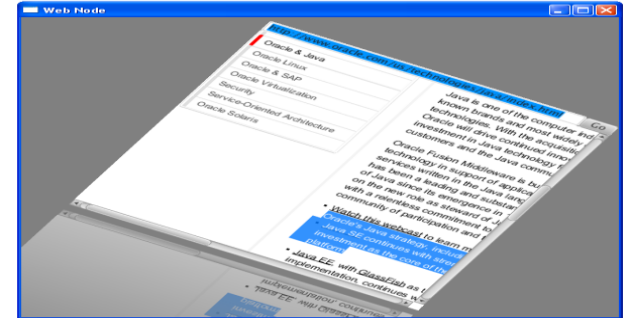
- Full featured table component
 - Resizeable columns
 - Columns can be moved
 - Groups of columns can be moved
- Uses standard MVC pattern
 - Create model for data
 - Attach to Table 'view' for display
- Efficient
 - Lazy loading of data – only displayed data is loaded

First	Last	Email
Jacob	Smith	jacob.smith@example.com
Isabella	Johnson	isabella.johnson@example.com
Ethan	Williams	ethan.williams@example.com
Emma	Jones	emma.jones@example.com
Michael	Brown	michael.brown@example.com

Adding HTML Content

The Embedded Browser (WebKit based)

- WebEngine
 - Provides basic web page browsing functionality
 - Supports user interaction: navigating links, submitting forms
 - DOM/JavaScript access/injection
- WebView
 - Web page as a Node in scenegraph
 - Effects can be applied
 - Encapsulates WebEngine object
 - No plugin support



Charts



Area Chart



Bar Chart



Line Chart



Pie Chart



Scatter Chart

CSS Support

- All controls can be styled through CSS
 - Default, 'Caspian' stylesheet
- Change before starting application, or during runtime

```
.my-rect {  
    -fx-fill: yellow;  
    -fx-stroke: green;  
    -fx-stroke-width: 5;  
    -fx-stroke-dash-array: 12 2 4 2;  
    -fx-stroke-dash-offset: 6;  
    -fx-stroke-line-cap: butt;  
}
```



Effects...

GaussianBlur



InnerShadow

Shadow

Reflection



SepiaTone



Transforms

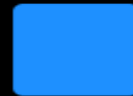
```
Rectangle rect=new Rectangle(0,0,60,60);  
rect.setFill(Color.DODGERBLUE);  
rect.setArcWidth(10);  
rect.setArcHeight(10);
```

```
rect.setRotate(45);
```

```
rect.setScaleX(2);  
rect.setScaleY(0.5);
```

```
Shear shear = new Shear(0.7, 0);  
rect.getTransforms().add(shear);
```

```
rect.setTranslateX(40);  
rect.setTranslateY(10);
```



Binding

- Creates a dependency between a property and a changeable value
- High level API
 - Easy to use
 - Covers most common situations
- Low level API
 - Allows for more complex interactions
 - Optimised for fast execution and small footprint

Properties

- Basis for high level binding API
- Concrete types for all primitives, String and Object
 - `DoubleProperty`, `StringProperty`, etc
- Simple API
 - `bind` / `unbind`
 - `bindBidirectional` / `unbindBidirectional`
 - `isBound`

Simple Binding Example

```
private SimpleDoubleProperty topXProperty =  
    new SimpleDoubleProperty();  
private SimpleDoubleProperty topYProperty =  
    new SimpleDoubleProperty();
```

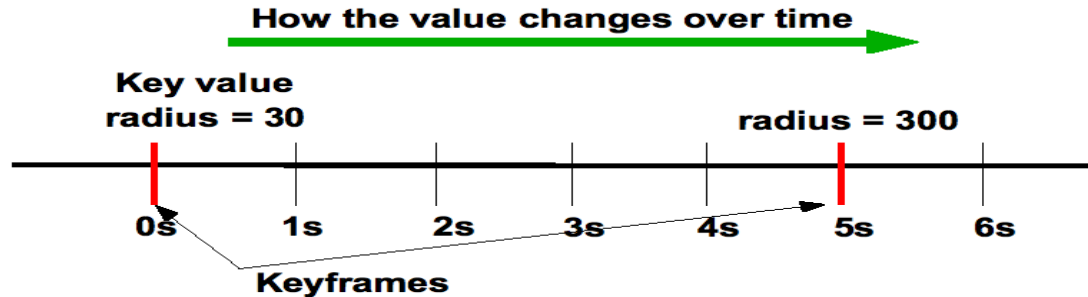
```
Line foldLine = new Line();  
foldLine.setEndX(200);  
foldLine.setEndY(200);  
foldLine.startXProperty().bind(topXProperty);  
foldLine.startYProperty().bind(topYProperty);
```

...

```
topXProperty.set(tx);  
topYProperty.set(ty);
```

Timeline Based Animations

- **Timeline**
 - Modifies values of variables specified in KeyFrames
- **KeyFrame**: specifies that a variable should have
 - A particular value at a particular time
- **KeyValue**: Value to be interpolated for an interval



Animated Transitions

- Pre-defined, single-purpose animations
 - Fade, Path, Pause, Rotate, Scale, Translate
 - Can specify to, from and by values
- Container transitions
 - Parallel, sequential
 - Can be nested arbitrarily
- Transitions and Timelines share ancestry
 - A Timeline can be added to a Parallel / Sequential transition

Swing and SWT Interoperability

- Embed JavaFX content into existing Swing applications
- Extend existing Swing applications with new JavaFX features such as WebView and high-performance graphics
- Applies to SWT applications as well

Standard Java Tools for Easy Development



- Source editor with improved syntactic highlighting, code completion, refactoring etc.
- Full debugger and profiler support
- Project wizard for easy creation of JavaFX applications

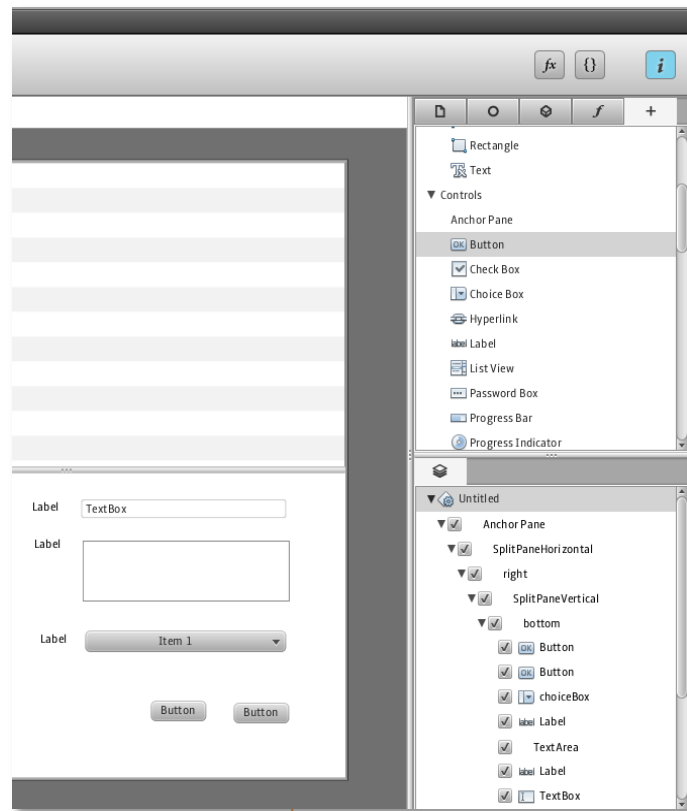
Other Java IDEs

- Source editor with syntactic highlighting, code completion, refactoring etc.
- Full debugger and Profiler support



JavaFX Scene Builder for Rapid UI Design

- WYSIWYG GUI design tool for the JavaFX platform
- Enables designing user interface screens by simply dragging and positioning GUI components from a palette onto a scene
- Generates files in FXML format that can be used within a project in any IDE such as NetBeans or Eclipse
- Can be used to create GUI for desktop and Web applications
- Currently in Early Access (by invitation)



Deployment

- Standard Java methods
 - Standalone application
 - Applet
 - Webstart
- From Java SE 7u6, JavaFX packager 2.2
 - Executable bundles: msi, exe, dmg, rpm
 - No admin permission (currently Windows only)
 - Auto-update facility being developed

Distribution and Support

- JavaFX Distribution
 - JavaFX Runtime can now be distributed with third party applications
 - Applies to JavaFX 2.0.2 and higher
- JavaFX Platform Commercial Support
 - JavaFX is now part of the Java SE technologies covered through Oracle Premier Support
 - Applies to JavaFX 2.0.2 and higher

JavaFX Future Directions

Oracle's Next Generation Java Client Solution

- Tighter Integration with Java SE
- Migration Path for Java Client UI Technologies
- Optimized Web Services Support
- Advanced Tooling
- Support for Modern Device Interactions
- Delivering on the Cross Platform Promise

JavaFX is ...

- Cross platform: Windows GA, Mac & Linux Dev. Preview
- Familiar: 100% Java APIs
- Powerful: leverages underlying Java platform
- Modern: CSS skinning, HW acceleration, Webkit
- Backwards 'compatible': Swing & SWT interoperability
- Flexible: applicable to embedded, tablets and mobile
- Open Source: <http://openjdk.java.net/projects/openjfx>

Resources

- JavaFX website: <http://javafx.com>
- Open source project
<http://openjdk.java.net/projects/openjfx/>
- Oracle Premier Support for Software
<http://www.oracle.com/us/support/software/premier/>
- Blogs
 - <http://fxexperience.com>
 - <http://blogs.oracle.com/javafx>
- Twitter: @javafx4you

Demos

