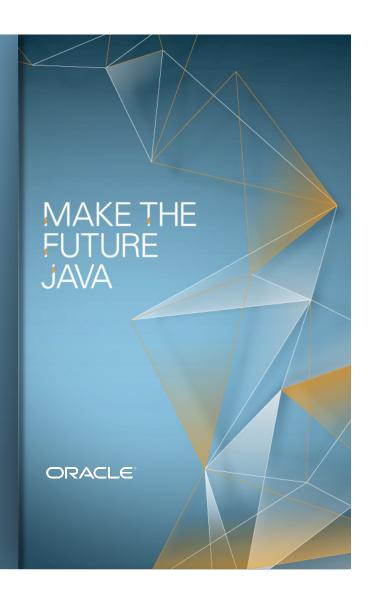




JavaFX Extreme GUI Makeover

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Program Agenda

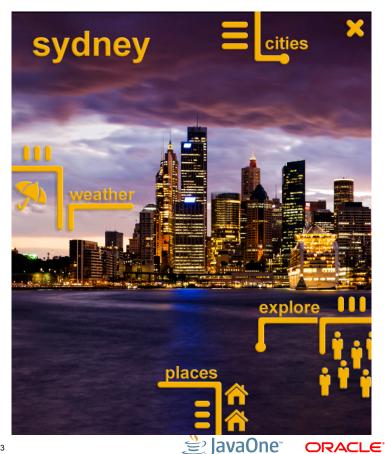
- Demo: Let's see what we can build
- JavaFX and CSS
- JavaFX effects, animations and other cool features.
- Two approaches, two applications, you choose.
- Tools and demos





City Explorer Demo

- Non-conventional interfaces
- Modern feeling
- Dynamic content
- Intuitive and easy to use
- Lots of animations
- Combinations of technologies: Java, JavaScript, HTML5.



City Explorer Demo



Casino Application for the Real World

Join our session CON5352, Tuesday 3pm

- Dynamic slide-in menus
- Semi-transparent bar
- Customized buttons:
 - Reflection
 - Zoom in feature
 - Pushed effect
- Human interaction:
 - Gesture recognition
 - Neurosky (mind reader)







Casino Application for the Real World

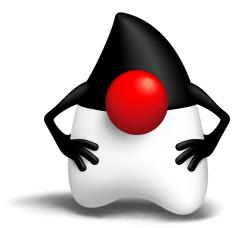
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Demo







JavaFX and CSS







Skinning JavaFX Application with CSS

- Create a custom look > Skin
- Create style definitions that control the look of user interface elements
- CSS in JavaFX applications is similar to using CSS in HTML.
- JavaFX CSS are based on the W3C CSS version 2.1 specification
 - http://www.w3.org/TR/CSS21/
 - Some additions from current work on version 3 of the specification
 - Some extensions that support specific JavaFX features.
- Enables you to change the just by changing the style sheet used.





Why CSS?

- CSS is a domain specific language
 - Very good for declaring visual effects
- CSS empowers designers
- CSS is a standard
- CSS is widely adopted
- Interoperability





CSS and the JavaFX Scene Graph

- CSS styles are applied to nodes in the JavaFX scene graph
- Styles are first applied to the parent, then to its children.
- CSS styles are applied asynchronously.
- Each node in the scene graph has a styleClass variable, a List<String>.
- Each node in the scene graph has an id variable, a string. Styles for specific ids can be specified using the "#nodeid" selector syntax in a style sheet.





Creating your StyleSheet

- Create one or more sheets to override the default styles.
- Create your own styles
- Style sheets have an extension of .css





JavaFX and CSS

```
Stage stage = new Stage();
Label label = new Label();
Label.setText("Hello World");
Stage.getScene().getContent().add(label);
Stage.setVisible(true);
```





JavaFX and CSS

```
Stage stage = new Stage();
Label label = new Label();
label.setText("Hello World");
Scene scene = stage.getScene();
scene.getContent().add(label);
scene.getStylesheets().add("/myCSS.css");
stage.setVisible(true);
```



What is a "selector"?

- A pattern used to match a Node in the scene.
- Match against the Node's class, styleClass, id, and pseudo-class state (hover, pressed, selected, focused, etc)
 - .label {...} Matches any Node with styleClass "label". Normally they correspond to class names. .button for Button, label for Label classes
 - #title {...} Matches any Node with id "title"
 - * {...} Matches any Node
 - .label:hover {...} Matches any Node with styleClass "label" and "hover" equal to true
 - .check-box .label Compound styles





CSS Syntax

```
Selector
                         Pseudoclass
.label: hover{
                        Attribute
                                    ⊸Value
                                                Declaration
   -fx-font-size: 18;
   -fx-font-family: "Arial";
   -fx-font-weight: bold;
   -fx-text-fill:
      linear (0%, 0%) to (0%, 100%)
      stops (0.0, red) (1.0, black);
                                                    Rule
                                             S JavaOne
                                                      ORACLE<sup>®</sup>
```

myCSS.css

```
.label{
  -fx-font: "Amble";
  -fx-fong-size: 18;
  -fx-text-fill:
   linear (0%, 0%) to (0%, 100%)
   stops (0.0, red) (1.0, black);
               Hello World
}
```





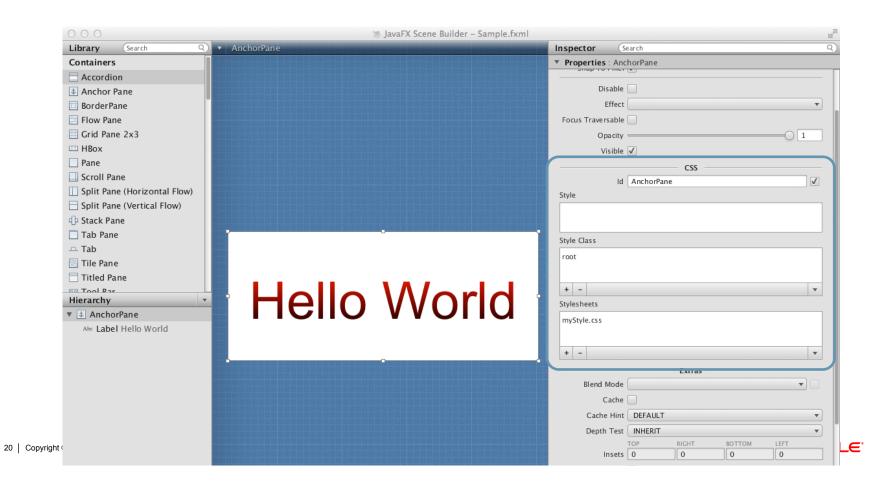
myCSS.css

```
.my-label{
   -fx-font: "Amble";
   -fx-fong-size: 18;
   -fx-text-fill:
    linear (0%, 0%) to (0%, 100%)
    stops (0.0, red) (1.0, black);
}
```

```
Label myStyledLabel = new Label("Testing");
myStyledLabel.getStyleClass().add("my-label");
```

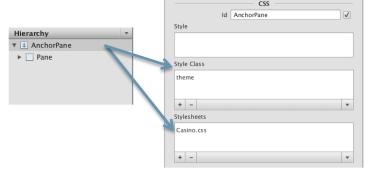


JavaFX, CSS and Scene Builder



Setting the style in Scene Builder

Assign the stylesheet to the main container





Set StyleClass for the component





Styling Directly in your Code





Additions to HTML CSS

- Lookup
- Color Functions
 - derive
 - ladder
- Gradients
- Multiple background fills
- Multiple borders
- Effects
 - dropshadow
 - innershadow





Derive Function

derive(<color> , <number>%)

- Takes a color and computes a brighter or darker version of that color.
- Second parameter is the brightness offset
 - -100% to 100%.
 - Positive percentages indicate brighter colors.
 - 100% completely white.
 - Negative percentages indicate darker colors.
 - -100% completely black
 - 0% means no change in brightness





Ladder Function

```
ladder(<color> , <color-stop> [, <color-
stop>]+)
```

- Interpolates between colors.
- The effect is as if a gradient is created using the stops provided, and then the brightness of the provided <color> is used to index a color value within that gradient.
 - 0% brightness, the color at the 0.0 end of the gradient is used
 - 100% brightness, the color at the 1.0 end of the gradient is used
 - 50% brightness, the color at the midway point of the gradient, is used.
 - No gradient is rendered -> single color result.





Gradient Function

Linear gradients

```
linear-gradient( [ [from <point> to <point>] | [ to
<side-or-corner>], ]? [ [ repeat | reflect ], ]?
<color-stop>[, <color-stop>]+)
```

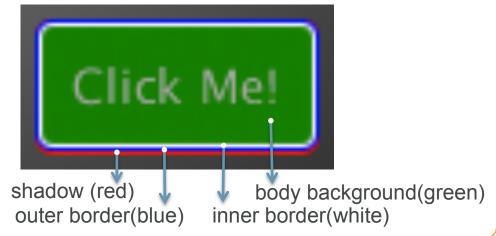
Radial gradients

```
radial-gradient([ focus-angle <angle>, ]? [ focus-
distance <percentage>, ]? [ center <point>, ]? radius
[ <length> | <percentage> ] [ [ repeat |
reflect ], ]? <color-stop>[, <color-stop>]+)
```





```
.button {
    -fx-background-color: red, blue, white, green;
    -fx-text-fill: derive(master-color,110%);
}
```







CSSFile.css



Red Panel

Mastering CSS







JavaFX effects, animations and other cool features







JavaFX for Modern Interfaces

- Borderless applications
 - Blend nicely with the background
 - Set Scene's filling to null
 - Use StageStyle.TRANSPARENT

```
Scene scene = new Scene(root, 1024, 786);
scene.setFill(null);
stage.setScene(scene);
stage.initStyle(StageStyle.TRANSPARENT);
stage.show();
```







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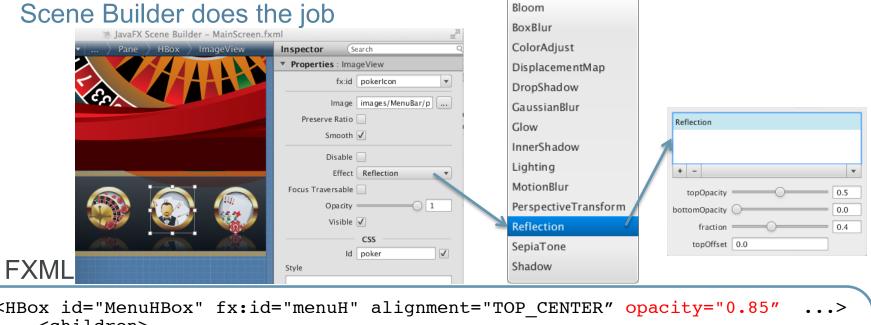




Component Transparency



Opacity, Transparency and other Properties



Opacity, Transparency and other Properties

Programmatically





Animations in JavaFX

Timelines and Transitions





Timeline-Based Animation

- Timeline
 - Modifies values of variables specified by KeyFrames
 - Doesn't necessarily do any animation itself
- KeyFrame: specifies that a variable should have...
 - A particular value
 - At a particular time
- KeyValue: key value to be interpolated for a particular interval
- How is animation actually done?
 - Arrange for a KeyFrame to modify an interesting Node variable
 - x, rotate, opacity, fill, ...





Timeline Animation Example







Timeline Events Example

```
timeline = new Timeline();
timeline.setCycleCount(Timeline.INDEFINITE);
timeline.setAutoReverse(true);

KeyValue kValueX = KeyValue.keyValue(stack.scaleXModel(), 2);
KeyValue kValueY = KeyValue.keyValue(stack.scaleYModel(), 2);

Duration dur = Duration.valueOf(2000);
EventHandler<ActionEvent> onFinished = new EventHandler<ActionEvent>() {
   public void handle(ActionEvent t) {
      stack.setTranslateX(random()*200-100);
      i = 0;
   }
};

KeyFrame kFrame = new KeyFrame(dur, onFinished, kValueX, kValueY);
timeline.getKeyFrames().add(kFrame);
getChildren().add(stack);
timeline.play();
```





Animated Transitions

- Predefined, 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 have a similar ancestry
 - A timeline can be added to a Parallel / Sequential transition





Animated Transitions Example

Translate/Rotate/Scale/Fade...





Animated Transitions Example

Parallel/Sequential...





Dynamic slide-in menus

```
menuAnim = new TranslateTransition(Duration.millis(600),menuPane);
menuAnim.setFromY(MainScreenController.MENU_DOWN);
menuAnim.setToY(MainScreenController.MENU_UP);
```

Show

showMenuAnim.setRate(1);
showMenuAnim.play();

Hide

showMenuAnim.setRate(-1);
showMenuAnim.play();







Scene Builder

Amazing tool

Visualize path for the cards animations







Lots and lots of Animations

- Serve player: parallel transition
 - Path transition:
 - Serve card + cover card
 - Rotate transition: position the card correctly
 - onFinished -> hide cover card
- Serve table: sequencial transition
 - Serve first card: player 1, player
 2.... house.
 - Serve second card: player 1, player2... house







Lost of Animations

```
Path path = PathBuilder.create()
                 .elements(new MoveTo(getDeckPosX(), getDeckPosY()),
                          new CubicCurveTo(coordX[0], coordY[0],
                            coordX[1], coordY[1],
                            coordX[2], coordY[2]))
                 .build();
PathTransition pathTransitionCard = PathTransitionBuilder.create()
                .duration(Duration.seconds(Casino.SHORT_ANIM))
                .path(path)
                .node(card)
                .orientation(OrientationType.NONE)
                .build();
RotateTransition rotateCard = RotateTransitionBuilder.create()
                .toAngle(angle)
                .node(card)
                .duration(Duration.seconds(Casino.SHORT_ANIM))
                .build();
```





Lost of Animations

Option 1:





Lost of Animations

Option 2:





Two approaches, two applications, you choose

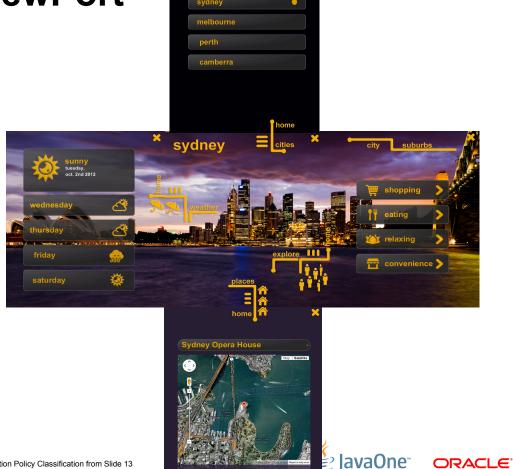






Working With a ViewPort

- Binding comes handy
- Good for small apps
- Only if scenegraph is flat



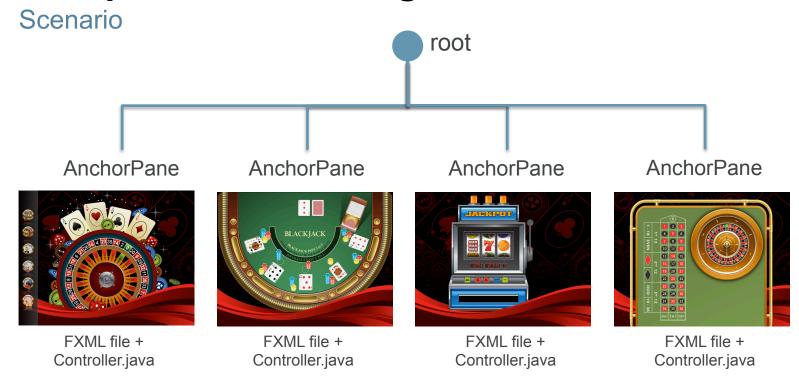
Multiple Screen Management

- Scenegraph should be as flat as possible
- SceneBuilder generate one file per screen, how to manage multiple screens?
- StackPane? Won't solve the issue, scenegraph huge.
- Need to load and unload screens



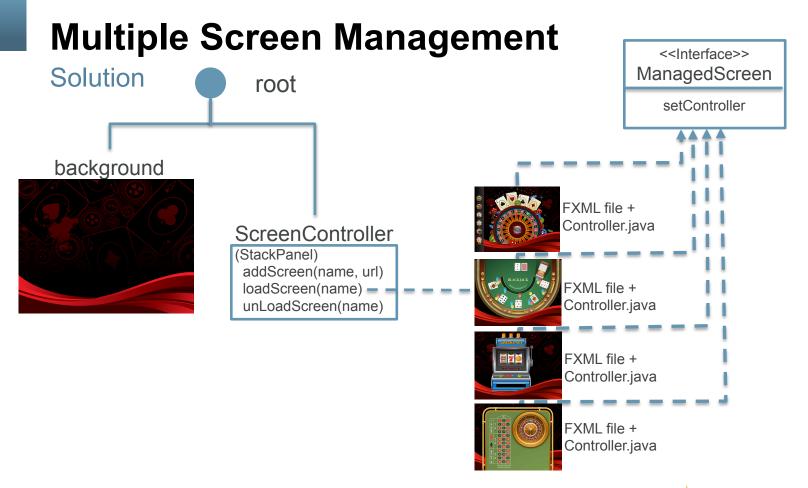


Multiple Screen Management













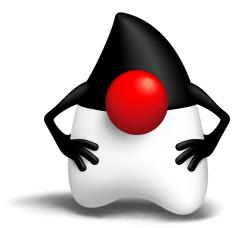
Tools and Demos







Demo







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Textos con highlights

```
#login-dialog-label{
    -fx-text-fill: #717252;
    -fx-effect: dropshadow(one-pass-box, white, 0, 0.0, 0, 1);
}
```



