LECTURE 4: EVENT HANDLING

Today

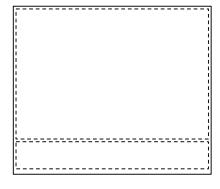
- Reading
 - JS Ch. 3 (Vectors) and Ch. 4 (Generics)
- Objectives
 - More Java Graphics
 - Java Events

Reminders

- Friday quizzes
 - 5-8 minutes, 2-3 questions
 - easy to answer if you've done reading and come to class
- Our first lab is today!
- Our current pace
 - Review for some, not for others
 - Don't panic

PostIt Application

• JFrame contains two JPanels: canvas and buttons



- DrawingCanvas extends JPanel
 - Registers a MouseListener and a MouseMotionListener
 - Implemented as inner classes
- Buttons held in JPanel
 - Top-level class PostItApplication implements ActionListener

Listeners

- The system monitors the component waiting for something to happen
 - When something happens, the system calls the appropriate method in the listener class
- For each component, must tell the system who the listener is
 - Called "registering a listener"

Registering a Listener

- To react to mouse press, click, or release
 - addMouseListener(listener) in constructor of component
- To react to mouse motion/draggin
 - call addMouseMotionListener(listener) in constructor of component
- For JButton, JComboBox, etc
 - object.addActionListener(listener)

The Listener Class Must Contain...

- MouseListener
 - mousePressed(evt), mouseReleased(evt), mouseClicked(evt)
- MouseMotionListener
 - mouseDragged(evt), mouseMoved(evt)
- actionListener
 - actionPerformed(evt)

The Listener Class Must Contain...

How to ensure listener class actually implements the appropriate method?!

Mouse Listener

- The listener must either
 - implement MouseListener interface
 - extend MouseAdapter
- For mouse motion, the listener must either
 - implement MouseMotionListener
 - extend MouseMotionAdapter