Layout Management

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Layout

- The way in which the controls of a container are arranged
- All the containers have default Layout
 - Eg: Applet FloweLayout.CENTER
 - Eg: Frame BorderLayout.CENTER
- Layout Manager: An instance of any class that implements the LayoutManager interface
- Layout can set by using setLayout() method
 - Eg: setLayout(layoutobj)
 - Layout can be "null"; No default Layout manager

Layout Manager will invoke

- Container is resized
- o Add Component

Layout Size

minimumLayoutSize()prefferredLayoutSize()

Component Size

getPreferredSize()getMinimumSize()

FlowLayout

- Components are arranged as floating objects
- Small space will left between each component
- Class: FlowLayout
 - o FlowLayout()
 - o FlowLayout(int how)
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 - FlowLayout.LEFT
 - FlowLayout.CENTER
 - FlowLayout.RIGHT
 - o FlowLayout(int how, int hSpze, int vSpze)

BorderLayout

• The container is divided into five regions

- BorderLayout.CENTER
- BorderLayout.EAST
- BorderLayout.WEST
- BorderLayout.SOUTH
- BorderLayout.NORTH

• Class: BorderLayout

- o BorderLayout()
- BorderLayout(hSpz, vSpz)
- Adding Component
 - o add(component, region)

Applet		
North		
West	Center	East
South		
applet started		

- Insets: Space between the container that holds component and the window that contains it
- Override the getInsets() method to specify new dimension
- Insets(int top, int left, int bottom, int right)

Eg:

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public Insets getInsets() return new Insets(10,10,10,10);

GridLayout

- Divides the container into two dimensional grid
- Class: GridLayout
 - o GridLayout() Single column
 - o GridLayout(rows, cols)
 - o GridLayout(rows, cols,hSpz,vSpz)
 - o rows, cols can be zero, means it can have unlimited length

CardLayout

- More than one Layouts are managing at the same time
- Panel
 - It is container
 - not visible
 - Can set Layout
- Class: CardLayout
 - o CardLayout()
 - CardLayout(hSpz, vSpz)

• Steps

- Assign layout to top-level container in the program
- Create another container to hold the first group of controls
- Similarly create more containers to hold the subsequent group of controls

• Recalling Cards

- Void first(Container deck)
- Void last(Container deck)
- Void next(Container deck)
- Void previous(Container deck)
- Void show(Container deck, String cardName)