

# Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT)

## • AWT(Abstract Window Toolkit)

- Java AWT is an API to develop GUI or windows based application using java.awt packages. Fig. shows the important classes of java.awt packages.
- a] Java AWT component are platform dependent i.e component are display according to the view of operating system.
  - b] AWT is a heavy object component i.e it's component uses the resources of system.

The java.awt package provide classes for AWT API such as TextField, Label, TextArea, RadioButton, CheckBox, Choice, List etc. Using these components (class) we can create interactive user interface application.

## classes of AWT (Hierarchy of AWT) :-

### • Component :-

A component represent an object which display pictorial representation on the screen.

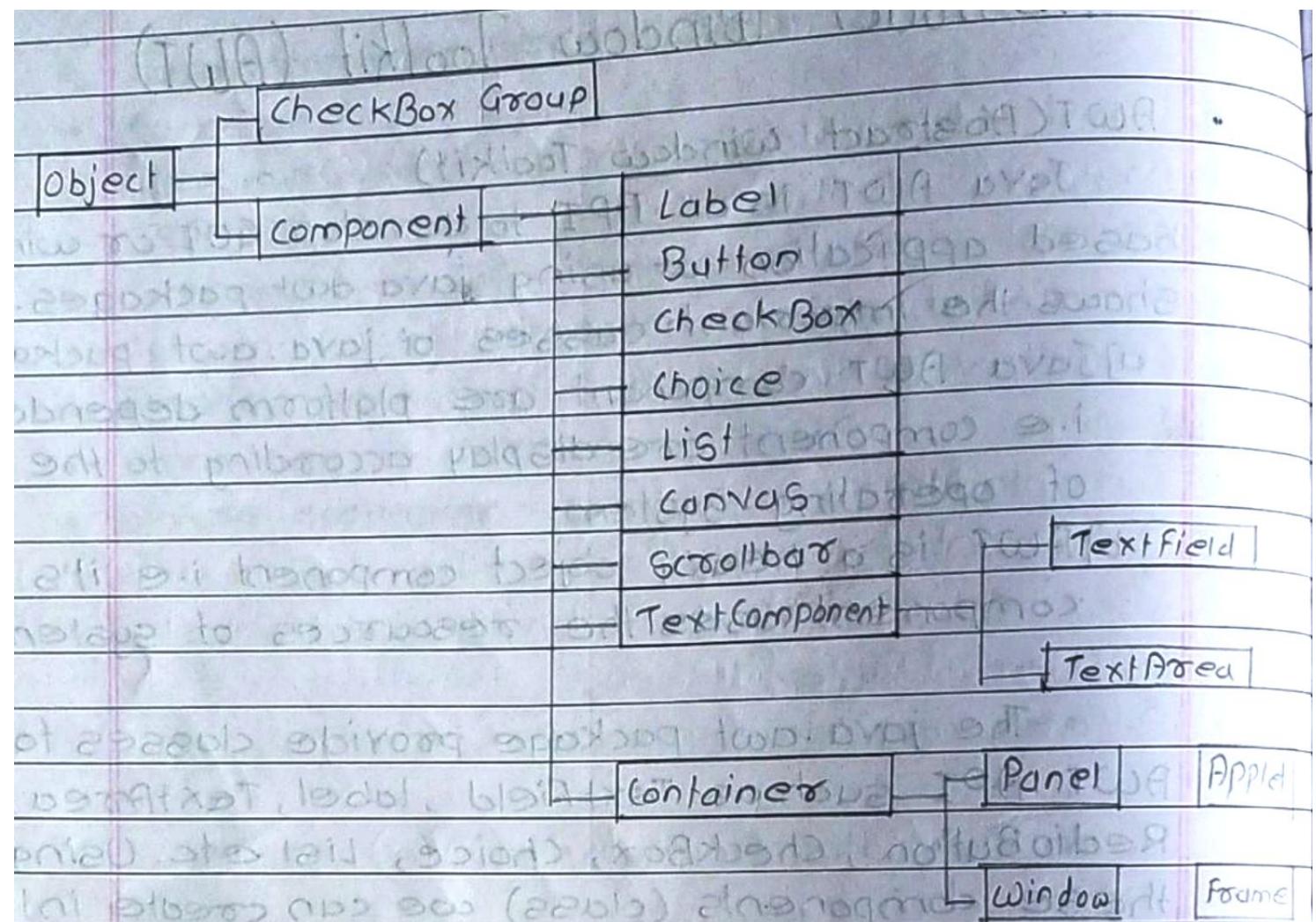
For example:-

Create an object of 'Button' class as

```
Button b=new Button();
```

Here 'b' is the object of 'Button' class in the same way other are the components.

The top of AWT hierarchy the component class is a super class for GUI controls.



### \* Hierarchy of AWT \*

#### \* Container = ~~to understand~~ To understand \*

Container class is the sub class of component class. It contains another component like buttons, Textfield, Labels etc. The following are containers

- 1] **Frame**
- 2] **Window**
- 3] **Panel**

1] **Frame** = The frame is the container that contains title bar, resize, corner & have maximize. It can have other components like button, Textfield etc.

2] **Window** = The window class is basically used to create a top level window. This window directly

set of desktop. The window is the container that has no border & no menubars. You can must use frame for creating windows based application

### 3) Panel :-

The panel is the container that does not contain titlebars and menubars. It can have other components like Button, TextField etc.

Panel is the concrete subclass of container.

### \* Canvas :-

It represents a blank rectangle area on the screen which is used for to draw any application.

## \*\* Useful Methods of Component Class :-

Method	Description.
1) Public void add(Component)	Insert the component on the container.
2) Public void setSize(int width, int height)	Set size of component.
3) Public void setLayout(Layout Manager)	Define layout manager for component.
4) Public void setVisible(Boolean status)	Change the visibility of components by default false

## \*\* Working with frames :-

Frame is the standard window which is subclass of window class from AWT hierarchy. Frame becomes a basic component in AWT. The following are the constructor of frame

Constructor	Description
1) Frame()	Constructor will create std. frame that does not contain title
2) Frame(String title)	Constructor will create std. frame that contain title.
Methods	Description
1) void setSize(int width, int height)	Setting the size of frame height & width
2) void setTitle(String title)	Setting a frame title
3) void setVisible(boolean)	Hiding & Showing the frame by default it is invisible

example :-

```
import java.awt.*;
```

```
public class framedemo extends frame
```

```
{
```

```
frame f;
framedemo()
```

```
{
```

```
f=new frame();
```

```
setSize(500, 500);
```

```
setTitle ("Hellow");
```

```
setVisible(true);
```

```
}
```

```
public static void main (String args[])
{
```

```
framedemo f = new framedemo();
```

```
}
```

## Closing Frame =

To window close event, we must implement, windowClosing() method of the windowListener interface inside the windowClosing() we will have to remove the window from the screen.

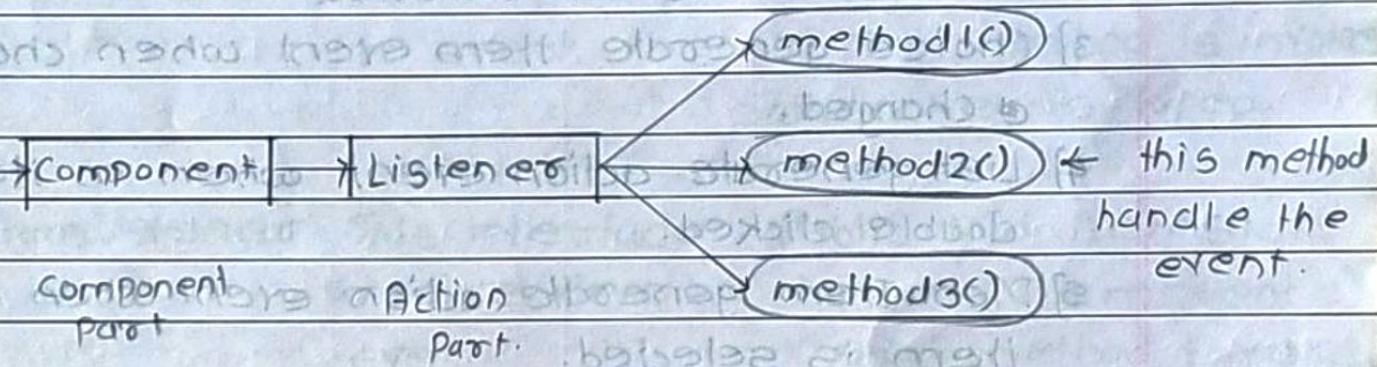
```
At addWindowListener(new WindowAdapter()
```

```
{  
    public void windowClosing(WindowEvent we)  
    {
```

```
        System.exit(0);  
    }  
}
```

```
} );
```

## Event Delegation Model :-



Event delegation model represents that when an event generated by the user on a component. It is delegated to a listener interface & the listener interface calls a method in represents to the event. Finally, event is handled by the method.

### i) Event =

Event is a object that describes what happen on component.