

Lab Activity # 7 - TUI to GUI	
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5. Procedure

Method 1

1. Type the code in pycharm (we used Spyder as we don't have access to pycharm)

```

1  def main():
2      # Find the largest number among three numbers
3      L = []
4
5      # Input the three numbers
6      num1 = float(input("Enter the first number: "))
7      L.append(num1)
8
9      num2 = float(input("Enter the second number: "))
10     L.append(num2)
11
12     num3 = float(input("Enter the third number: "))
13     L.append(num3)
14
15     # Find and print the largest number
16     largest_number = max(L)
17     print("The largest number among the three is:", largest_number)
18
19     # Call the main function
20     if __name__ == "__main__":
21         main()

```

2. Run the program and observe the output

```

In [3]: %runfile C:/Users/admin/Desktop/untitled0.py --wdir
Enter the first number:

```

Figure 1. TUI Form

- The input() function prompts the user to enter the first number. The message "Enter the first number: " is displayed in the console.
- The input is converted to a float (a decimal number) so that the program can handle both integers and floating-point numbers.
- The entered number is then appended to the list L using the append() method.

```
In [3]: %runfile C:/Users/admin/Desktop/untitled0.py --wdir
Enter the first number: 123
Enter the second number: 52
Enter the third number: -5
```

Figure 1(a) TUI form with three input numbers

- The same process is repeated for the second and third numbers:

```
In [3]: %runfile C:/Users/admin/Desktop/untitled0.py --wdir
Enter the first number: 123
Enter the second number: 52
Enter the third number: -5
The largest number among the three is: 123.0
```

Figure 1(b) TUI form with output "The largest number among the three"

- Once all three numbers are collected in the list L, the max() function is called. This built-in function returns the largest number from the list. The result is stored in the variable largest_number.
- The print() function outputs the specified message along with the value of largest_number.

Method 2

- We converted the code into Spyder IDE so we used PyCharm for the code to work

```
import sys
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import QApplication, QWidget, QLabel, QLineEdit, QPushButton, QVBoxLayout, QHBoxLayout

class LargestNumberApp(QWidget):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()

        self.initUI()

    def initUI(self):
        self.setWindowTitle("Find the Largest Number")
        self.setGeometry(100, 100, 400, 300)

        # Create widgets
        self.lbl1 = QLabel("The Program that Finds the Largest Number")
        self.lbl2 = QLabel("Enter the first number:")
        self.conOfent2 = QLineEdit()

        self.lbl3 = QLabel("Enter the second number:")
        self.conOfent3 = QLineEdit()

        self.lbl4 = QLabel("Enter the third number:")
        self.conOfent4 = QLineEdit()

        self.btn1 = QPushButton("Find the Largest number")
        self.btn1.clicked.connect(self.findLargest)

        self.lbl5 = QLabel("The Largest number:")
        self.conOfLargest = QLineEdit()
        self.conOfLargest.setReadOnly(True)
```

```

32     # Layouts
33     layout = QVBoxLayout()
34     layout.addWidget(self.lb11)
35
36     layout.addWidget(self.lb12)
37     layout.addWidget(self.conOfent2)
38
39     layout.addWidget(self.lb13)
40     layout.addWidget(self.conOfent3)
41
42     layout.addWidget(self.lb14)
43     layout.addWidget(self.conOfent4)
44
45     layout.addWidget(self.btn1)
46
47     layout.addWidget(self.lb15)
48     layout.addWidget(self.conOfLargest)
49
50     self.setLayout(layout)
51
52     def findLargest(self):
53         try:
54             # Get numbers from input fields
55             num1 = float(self.conOfent2.text())
56             num2 = float(self.conOfent3.text())
57             num3 = float(self.conOfent4.text())
58
59             # Find the largest number
60             largest = max(num1, num2, num3)
61
62             # Display the largest number
63             self.conOfLargest.setText(str(largest))
64         except ValueError:
65             self.conOfLargest.setText("Invalid input")
66
67     if __name__ == '__main__':
68         app = QApplication(sys.argv)
69         window = LargestNumberApp()
70         window.show()
71         sys.exit(app.exec_())

```

Output:

The Program that Finds the Largest Number

Enter the first number:

Enter the second number:

Enter the third number:

The largest number:

- This code demonstrates how to create a basic PyQt application for numerical input and processing, showcasing essential GUI programming concepts such as event handling, widget management, and layout organization. It serves as a practical example for beginners to understand how to build interactive applications using PyQt.
- User Input: The application consists of three input fields (QLineEdit) where users can enter numbers.
- Button Interaction: A button (QPushButton) is provided for users to trigger the computation. When clicked, it invokes the findLargest method.
- Logic for Finding the Largest Number: The findLargest method retrieves the numbers from the input fields, converts them to floating-point values, and uses the built-in max() function to determine the largest number. If the input is invalid (e.g., non-numeric), it handles the error gracefully by displaying an appropriate message.
- Output Display: The result, which is the largest number, is displayed in a read-only input field, preventing users from altering it.
- Layout Management: The application utilizes a vertical layout to organize the widgets in a user-friendly manner, ensuring a clean and intuitive interface.

Questions:

1. What is TUI in Python?

Python's Text User Interface (TUI) enables users to interact with programs via text-based input and output via a terminal or console. When a graphical user interface (GUI) is not feasible, it is the best option because it is lightweight and resource-efficient. A number of Python packages are available for generating TUIs, such as Prompt Toolkit for interactive command-line capabilities like autocompletion, Rich for writing aesthetically pleasing text displays, and Curses for basic terminal handling. File managers and monitoring apps are examples of system programs that frequently employ TUIs since they offer a quick and effective method of completing tasks without a graphical interface.

2. How to make a TUI in Python?

You may use Python's built-in curses package to develop a basic Text User Interface (TUI), which facilitates controlling text display and terminal user input. The curses module must be imported first, and then a main function handling the TUI must be defined. To clean the screen, use `stdscr.clear()`; to show text at precise locations, use `addstr()`; and to update the terminal display, use `refresh()`. `Getch()` finally waits for a key to be pressed before ending the program. Using `curses.wrapper(main)`, the TUI is initialized and cleanup is handled automatically. You may use this configuration to create a simple interactive text interface that shows a message, waits for user input, and then closes.

3. What is the difference between TUI and GUI?

The main difference between a Text User Interface (TUI) and a Graphical User Interface (GUI) is in how users interact with the program. TUIs rely on text-based input and output, allowing users to type commands in a terminal or console window. They are generally faster for experienced users and require fewer system resources, making them suitable for low-performance environments or tasks requiring automation. In contrast, GUIs provide a visual interface with elements like buttons, icons, and menus, allowing users to interact using mouse clicks or touch gestures. GUIs are more intuitive and user-friendly, especially for beginners, but they consume

more resources due to graphical rendering. TUIs are often used in command-line tools and system utilities, while GUIs are common in desktop applications like web browsers and word processors.

6. Supplementary Activity

```
1  #TUI Implementation
2  # Simple TUI Calculator
3  def add(a, b):
4      return a + b
5  def subtract(a, b):
6      return a - b
7  def multiply(a, b):
8      return a * b
9  def divide(a, b):
10     if b != 0:
11         return a / b
12     else:
13         return "Error! Division by zero."
14  def main():
15     print("Simple Calculator")
16     print("Options:")
17     print("1. Add")
18     print("2. Subtract")
19     print("3. Multiply")
20     print("4. Divide")
21     choice = input("Select operation (1/2/3/4): ")
22     num1 = float(input("Enter first number: "))
23     num2 = float(input("Enter second number: "))
24     if choice == '1':
25         print(f"{num1} + {num2} = {add(num1, num2)}")
26     elif choice == '2':
27         print(f"{num1} - {num2} = {subtract(num1, num2)}")
28     elif choice == '3':
29         print(f"{num1} * {num2} = {multiply(num1, num2)}")
30     elif choice == '4':
31         print(f"{num1} / {num2} = {divide(num1, num2)}")
32     else:
33         print("Invalid input.")
34
35  if __name__ == "__main__":
36     main()
```

Output :

```
In [6]: %runfile C:/Users/admin/Desktop/
untitled3.py --wdir
Simple Calculator
Options:
1. Add
2. Subtract
3. Multiply
4. Divide
Select operation (1/2/3/4): 1
Enter first number: 21
Enter second number: 2
21.0 + 2.0 = 23.0
```

GUI Version of calculator with added features

```
1 import sys
2 from PyQt5.QtWidgets import QApplication, QWidget, QLabel, QLineEdit, QPushButton, QVBoxLayout, QHBoxLayout, QListWidget,
3 from PyQt5.QtCore import Qt
4 import math
5
6 class CalculatorApp(QWidget):
7     def __init__(self):
8         super().__init__()
9         self.initUI()
10        self.history = [] # To store the history of operations
11
12    def initUI(self):
13        self.setWindowTitle("Advanced Calculator")
14        self.setGeometry(100, 100, 400, 400)
15
16        # Layouts
17        main_layout = QVBoxLayout()
18        input_layout = QHBoxLayout()
19
20        # Input fields
21        self.entry1 = QLineEdit(self)
22        self.entry2 = QLineEdit(self)
23        self.result_label = QLabel("Result: ", self)
24
25        # History list
26        self.history_list = QListWidget(self)
27
28        # Buttons
29        self.add_button = QPushButton("Add", self)
30        self.subtract_button = QPushButton("Subtract", self)
31        self.multiply_button = QPushButton("Multiply", self)
32        self.divide_button = QPushButton("Divide", self)
33        self.sqr_button = QPushButton("Square Root", self)
34        self.power_button = QPushButton("Power", self)
35        self.clear_button = QPushButton("Clear", self)
36
37        # Connecting buttons to functions
38        self.add_button.clicked.connect(self.add)
39        self.subtract_button.clicked.connect(self.subtract)
40        self.multiply_button.clicked.connect(self.multiply)
41        self.divide_button.clicked.connect(self.divide)
42        self.sqr_button.clicked.connect(self.sqr)
43        self.power_button.clicked.connect(self.power)
44        self.clear_button.clicked.connect(self.clear)
45
46        # Adding widgets to layouts
47        input_layout.addWidget(QLabel("Enter first number:"))
48        input_layout.addWidget(self.entry1)
49        input_layout.addWidget(QLabel("Enter second number:"))
50        input_layout.addWidget(self.entry2)
```

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51
52     main_layout.addLayout(input_layout)
53     main_layout.addWidget(self.add_button)
54     main_layout.addWidget(self.subtract_button)
55     main_layout.addWidget(self.multiply_button)
56     main_layout.addWidget(self.divide_button)
57     main_layout.addWidget(self.sqr_button)
58     main_layout.addWidget(self.power_button)
59     main_layout.addWidget(self.clear_button)
60     main_layout.addWidget(self.result_label)
61     main_layout.addWidget(QLabel("History:"))
62     main_layout.addWidget(self.history_list)
63
64     self.setLayout(main_layout)
65
66     def validate_input(self):
67         """ Validate if the inputs are numeric. """
68         try:
69             num1 = float(self.entry1.text())
70             num2 = float(self.entry2.text())
71             return num1, num2
72         except ValueError:
73             QMessageBox.warning(self, "Input Error", "Please enter valid numeric values.")
74             return None, None
75
76     def add(self):
77         num1, num2 = self.validate_input()
78         if num1 is not None and num2 is not None:
79             result = num1 + num2
80             self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")
81             self.history.append(f"{num1} + {num2} = {result}")
82             self.update_history()
83
84     def subtract(self):
85         num1, num2 = self.validate_input()
86         if num1 is not None and num2 is not None:
87             result = num1 - num2
88             self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")
89             self.history.append(f"{num1} - {num2} = {result}")
90             self.update_history()
91
92     def multiply(self):
93         num1, num2 = self.validate_input()
94         if num1 is not None and num2 is not None:
95             result = num1 * num2
96             self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")

```

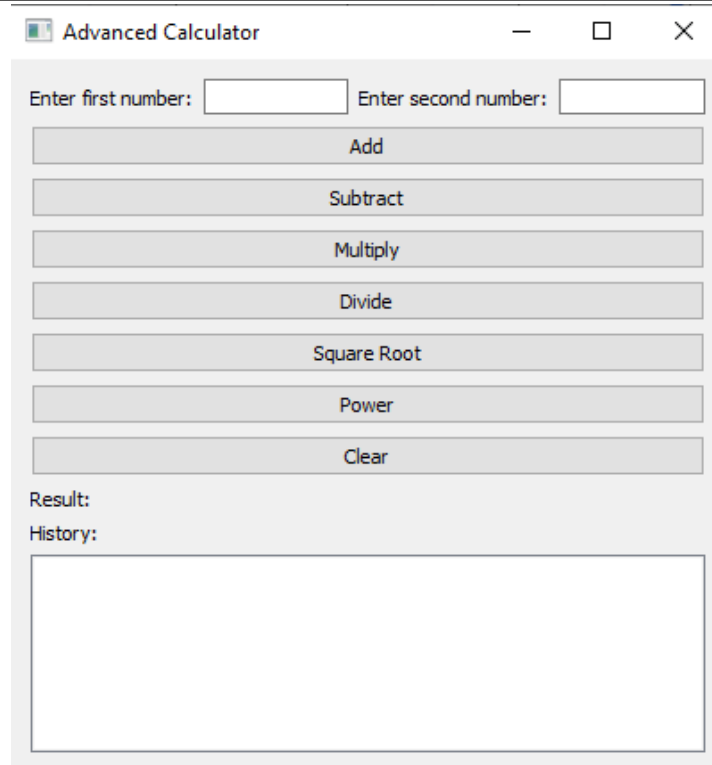
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96         self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")
97         self.history.append(f"{num1} * {num2} = {result}")
98         self.update_history()
99
100     def divide(self):
101         num1, num2 = self.validate_input()
102         if num1 is not None and num2 is not None:
103             if num2 != 0:
104                 result = num1 / num2
105                 self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")
106                 self.history.append(f"{num1} / {num2} = {result}")
107                 self.update_history()
108             else:
109                 QMessageBox.warning(self, "Math Error", "Error! Division by zero.")
110
111     def sqrt(self):
112         num1, _ = self.validate_input()
113         if num1 is not None:
114             if num1 >= 0:
115                 result = math.sqrt(num1)
116                 self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")
117                 self.history.append(f"√{num1} = {result}")
118                 self.update_history()
119             else:
120                 QMessageBox.warning(self, "Math Error", "Error! Cannot take square root of a negative number.")
121
122     def power(self):
123         num1, num2 = self.validate_input()
124         if num1 is not None and num2 is not None:
125             result = math.pow(num1, num2)
126             self.result_label.setText(f"Result: {result}")
127             self.history.append(f"{num1} ^ {num2} = {result}")
128             self.update_history()
129
130     def clear(self):
131         """ Clear the input fields and result. """
132         self.entry1.clear()
133         self.entry2.clear()
134         self.result_label.setText("Result: ")
135         self.history.clear()
136         self.history_list.clear()
137
138     def update_history(self):
139         """ Update the history list widget. """
140         self.history_list.clear()
141         for entry in self.history:
142             self.history_list.addItem(entry)
143
144 if __name__ == '__main__':
145     app = QApplication(sys.argv)
146     calculator = CalculatorApp()
147     calculator.show()
148     sys.exit(app.exec_())

```

Output :

Input



Clear Function

- We can clearly see that the program functions clearly, and i will explain now what the functions of the program are.
- Imports: The code imports necessary modules from PyQt5 and the math module for advanced calculations.
- CalculatorApp Class: This class inherits from QWidget and contains all the logic for the calculator.
- UI Initialization:
 - The initUI() method sets up the main window, input fields, buttons, and layout.
 - A vertical layout (QVBoxLayout) is used to arrange widgets vertically, and a horizontal layout (QHBoxLayout) is used for input fields.
- Input Validation:
 - The validate_input() method checks if the input fields contain valid numeric values. If not, it shows a warning message.
- Basic Operations:
 - The methods add(), subtract(), multiply(), and divide() perform the corresponding arithmetic operations. They validate inputs, perform calculations, update the result label, and add the operation to the history.
- Advanced Operations:
 - The sqrt() method calculates the square root of the first input. It checks for negative input and shows an error if necessary.
 - The power() method calculates the power of the first number raised to the second number.
- Clear Functionality:
 - The clear() method clears the input fields, resets the result label, and clears the history list.

- History Feature:
- The `update_history()` method updates the history list widget to display all previous calculations.
- Main Execution:
- The code checks if the script is being run directly and creates an instance of the `CalculatorApp`, then starts the application's event loop.

7. Conclusion

Conclusion:

In this task, we used Python's PyCharm IDE to successfully transform a Text User Interface (TUI) software into a Graphical User Interface (GUI) program using the Tkinter package. By switching from TUI to GUI, we improved user experience by offering a more engaging and aesthetically pleasing method of data input and output. We discovered that the fundamental elements of a GUI application such as labels, entry fields, and buttons help to replace the conventional input and print instructions seen in TUI systems. This modification adds event-driven programming, where functions are triggered by user events (such as pressing a button). Overall, this exercise provided hands-on experience with GUI design, emphasizing the advantages of GUI over TUI in terms of usability and user experience. By learning to convert a program from TUI to GUI in PyCharm, we gained a deeper understanding of how to build interactive and user-friendly applications in Python.