

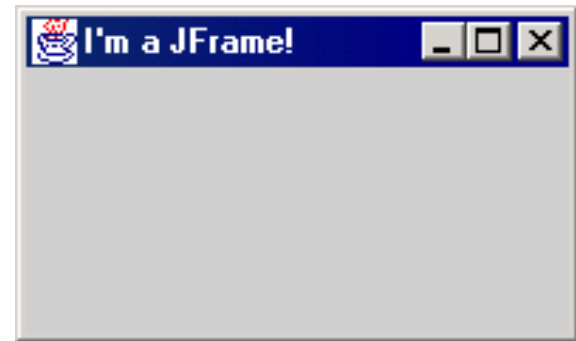


CS 260

- Event-driven Programming and Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs) with Swing/AWT
- Reference:
materials by M. Ernst, S. Reges, D. Notkin, R. Mercer, Wikipedia

JFrame

- a graphical window to hold other components
- `public JFrame()`
`public JFrame(String title)`
Creates a frame with an optional title.
 - Call `setVisible(true)` to make a frame appear on the screen after creating it.
- `public void add(Component comp)`
 - Places the given component or container inside the frame.



More JFrame

- `public void setDefaultCloseOperation(int op)`
 - Makes the frame perform the given action when it closes.
 - Common value passed: `JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE`
 - If not set, the program will never exit even if the frame is closed.
- `public void setSize(int width, int height)`
Gives the frame a fixed size in pixels.
- `public void pack()`
Resizes the frame to fit the components inside it snugly.





Event Listener

Java GUI Programming

JButton

- a clickable region for causing actions to occur
- `public JButton(String text)`
 - Creates a new button with the given string as its text.
- `public String getText()`
 - Returns the text showing on the button.
- `public void setText(String text)`
 - Sets button's text to be the given string.



GUI example

```
import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;

public class GuiExample1 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        JFrame frame = new JFrame();
        frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        frame.setSize(new Dimension(300, 100));
        frame.setTitle("A frame");

        JButton button = new JButton();
        button.setText("Click me!");
        button.setBackground(Color.RED);
        frame.add(button);

        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
}
```



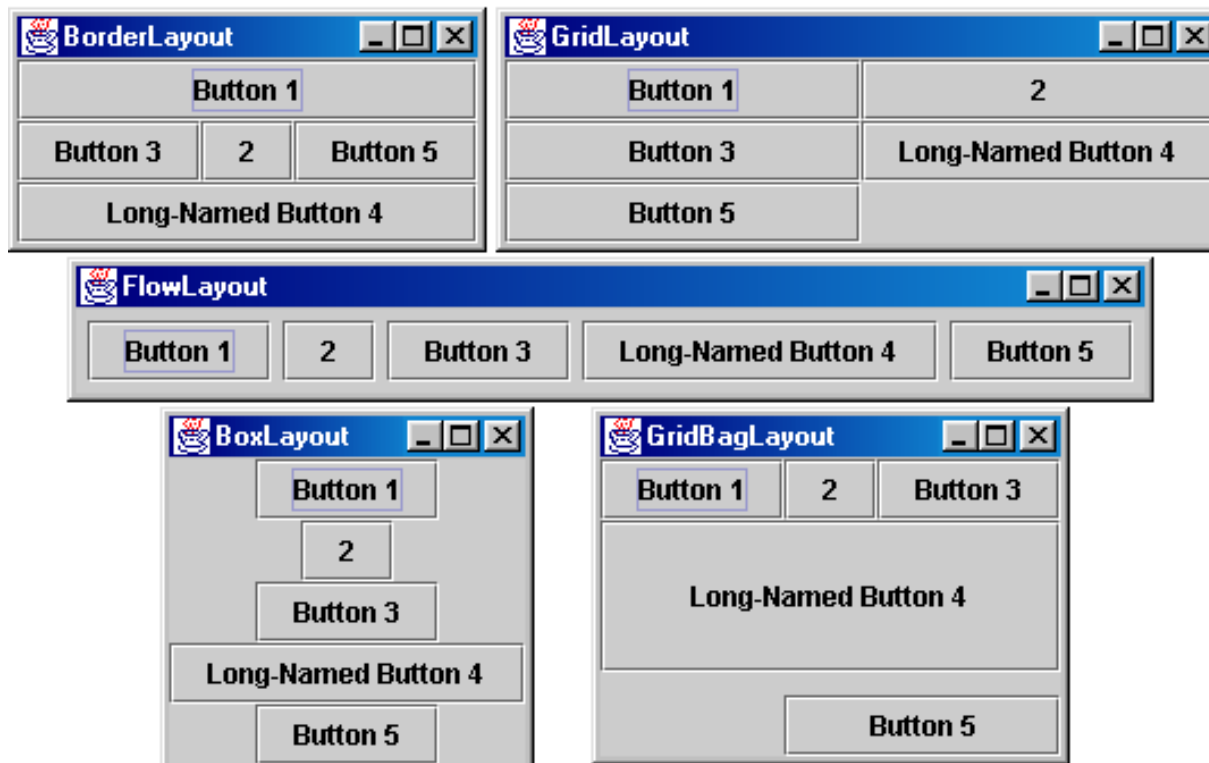


Sizing and positioning

- How does the programmer specify where each component appears, how big each component should be, and what the component should do if the window is resized / moved / maximized / etc.?
- Absolute positioning (C++, C#, others):
Programmer specifies exact pixel coordinates of every component.
 - "Put this button at (x=15, y=75) and make it 70x31 px in size."
- Layout managers (Java):
Objects that decide where to position each component based on some general rules or criteria.
 - "Put these four buttons into a 2x2 grid and put these text boxes in a horizontal flow in the south part of the frame."

Containers and layout

- Place components in a container; add the container to a frame.
 - container: An object that stores components and governs their positions, sizes, and resizing behavior.





JFrame as container

- A JFrame is a container. Containers have these methods:
- `public void add(Component comp)`
`public void add(Component comp, Object info)`
Adds a component to the container, possibly giving extra information about where to place it.
- `public void remove(Component comp)`
- `public void setLayout(LayoutManager mgr)`
Uses the given layout manager to position components.
- `public void validate()`
Refreshes the layout (if it changes after the container is onscreen).

Preferred sizes

- Swing component objects each have a certain size they would "like" to be: Just large enough to fit their contents (text, icons, etc.).
 - This is called the preferred size of the component.
 - Some types of layout managers (e.g. `FlowLayout`) choose to size the components inside them to the preferred size.
 - Others (e.g. `BorderLayout`, `GridLayout`) disregard the preferred size and use scheme defined in the layout to size the components.
- Buttons at preferred size



Not preferred size:



FlowLayout

- `public FlowLayout()`
- treats container as a left-to-right, top-to-bottom "paragraph".
 - Components are given preferred size, horizontally and vertically.
 - Components are positioned in the order added.
 - If too long, components wrap around to the next line.
- `myFrame.setLayout(new FlowLayout());`
- `myFrame.add(new JButton("Button 1"));`
 - The default layout for containers other than `JFrame` (seen later).



FlowLayout

```
JFrame f = new JFrame();

JButton b1 = new JButton("Button North");
JButton b2 = new JButton("Button West");
JButton b3 = new JButton("Button Center");
JButton b4 = new JButton("Button East");
JButton b5 = new JButton("Button South");
// adding buttons to the frame
// setting grid layout of 3 rows and 3 columns
f.setLayout(new FlowLayout());

f.add(b1);
f.add(b2);
f.add(b3);
f.add(b4);
f.add(b5);

f.setSize(640, 140);
f.setVisible(true);
f.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
```



BorderLayout

- `public BorderLayout()`
- Divides container into five regions:
 - NORTH and SOUTH regions expand to fill region horizontally, and use the component's preferred size vertically.
 - WEST and EAST regions expand to fill region vertically, and use the component's preferred size horizontally.
 - CENTER uses all space not occupied by others.
- `myFrame.setLayout(new BorderLayout());`
- `myFrame.add(new JButton("Button 1"), BorderLayout.NORTH);`
- This is the default layout for a `JFrame`.



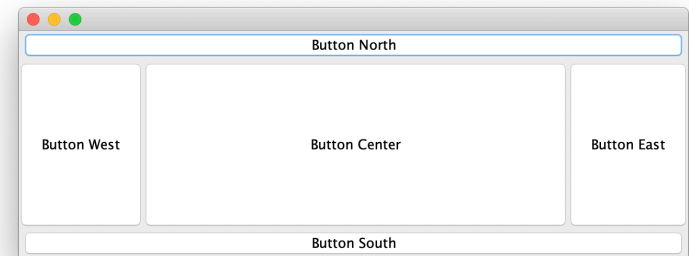
BorderLayout

```
JFrame f = new JFrame();

JButton b1 = new JButton("Button North");
JButton b2 = new JButton("Button West");
JButton b3 = new JButton("Button
Center");
JButton b4 = new JButton("Button East");
JButton b5 = new JButton("Button South");
// adding buttons to the frame
// setting grid layout of 3 rows and 3
columns
f.setLayout(new BorderLayout());

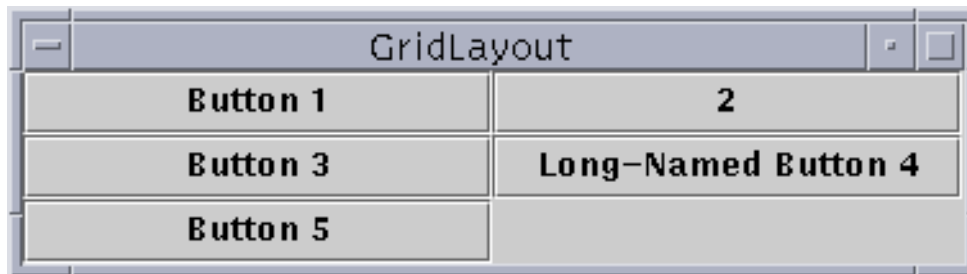
f.add(b1, BorderLayout.NORTH);
f.add(b2, BorderLayout.WEST);
f.add(b3, BorderLayout.CENTER);
f.add(b4, BorderLayout.EAST);
f.add(b5, BorderLayout.SOUTH);

f.setSize(640, 240);
f.setVisible(true);
f.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON
_CLOSE);
```



GridLayout

- `public GridLayout(int rows, int columns)`
- Treats container as a grid of equally-sized rows and columns.
- Components are given equal horizontal / vertical size, disregarding preferred size.
- Can specify 0 rows or columns to indicate expansion in that direction as needed.



GridLayout

```
JFrame f = new JFrame();

JButton b1 = new JButton("1");
JButton b2 = new JButton("2");
JButton b3 = new JButton("3");
JButton b4 = new JButton("4");
JButton b5 = new JButton("5");
JButton b6 = new JButton("6");
JButton b7 = new JButton("7");
JButton b8 = new JButton("8");
JButton b9 = new JButton("9");
// adding buttons to the frame
f.add(b1);
f.add(b2);
f.add(b3);
f.add(b4);
f.add(b5);
f.add(b6);
f.add(b7);
f.add(b8);
f.add(b9);

// setting grid layout of 3 rows and 3 columns
//f.setLayout(new GridLayout(3, 3, 20, 25));
f.setLayout(new GridLayout(3, 3));
f.setSize(300, 300);
f.setVisible(true);
f.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
```



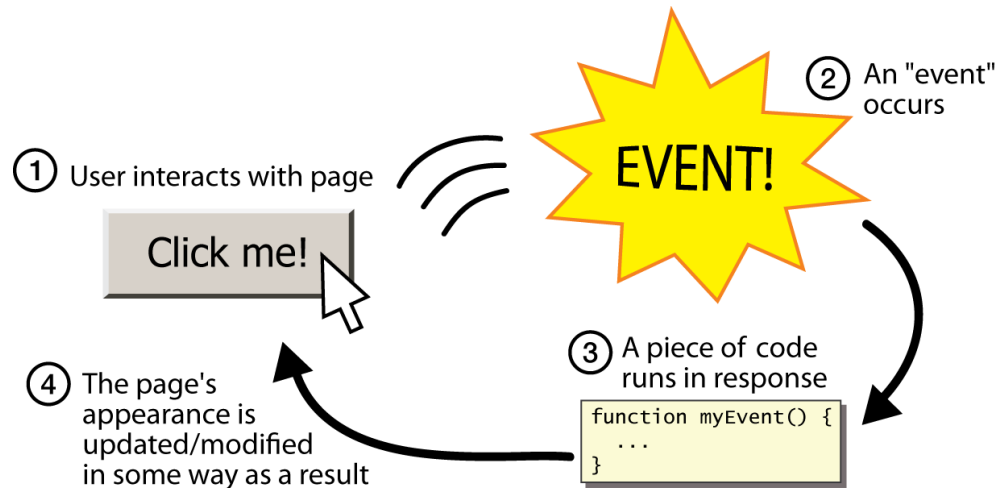


Event Listeners

responding to events

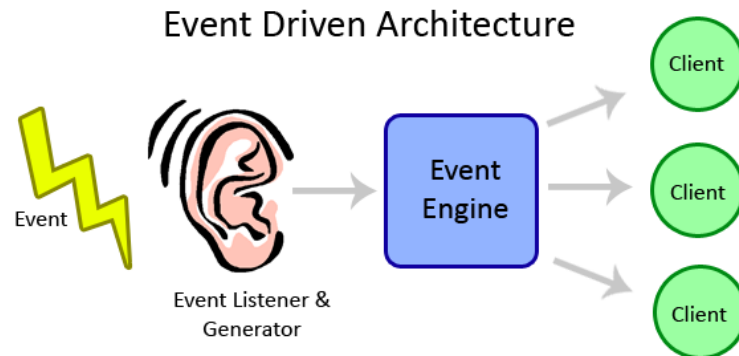
Graphical events

- event: An object that represents a user's interaction with a GUI component; can be "handled" to create interactive components.
- listener: An object that waits for events and responds to them.
 - To handle an event, attach a listener to a component.
 - The listener will be notified when the event occurs (e.g. button click).



Event-driven programming

- event-driven programming: A style of coding where a program's overall flow of execution is dictated by events.
 - Rather than a central "main" method that drives execution, the program loads and waits for user input events.
 - As each event occurs, the program runs particular code to respond.
 - The overall flow of what code is executed is determined by the series of events that occur, not a pre-determined order.





Event hierarchy

- EventObject

- AWTEvent (AWT)
 - ActionEvent
 - TextEvent
 - ComponentEvent
 - FocusEvent
 - WindowEvent
 - InputEvent
 - KeyEvent
 - MouseEvent

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

```
EventListener  
AWTEventListener  
ActionListener  
TextListener  
ComponentListener  
FocusListener  
WindowListener
```

```
KeyListener  
MouseListener
```

Action events

- action event: An action that has occurred on a GUI component.
 - The most common, general event type in Swing. Caused by:
 - button or menu clicks,
 - check box checking / unchecking,
 - pressing Enter in a text field, ...
 - Represented by a class named `ActionEvent`
 - Handled by objects that implement interface `ActionListener`





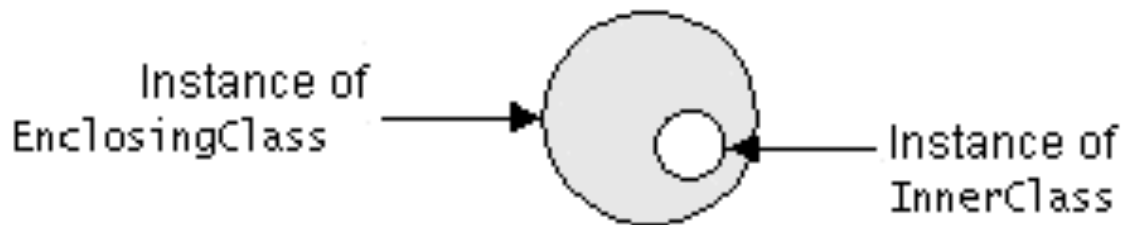
Implementing a listener

```
public class name implements ActionListener {  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event) {  
        code to handle the event;  
    }  
}
```

- JButton and other graphical components have this method:
 - `public void addActionListener(ActionListener al)`
Attaches the given listener to be notified of clicks and events that occur on this component.

Nested classes

- nested class: A class defined inside of another class.
- Usefulness:
 - Nested classes are hidden from other classes (encapsulated).
 - Nested objects can access/modify the fields of their outer object.
- Event listeners are often defined as nested classes inside a GUI.





Nested class syntax

```
// enclosing outer class
public class name {
    ...

    // nested inner class
    private class name {
        ...
    }
}
```

- Only the outer class can see the nested class or make objects of it.
- Each nested object is associated with the outer object that created it, so it can access/modify that outer object's methods/fields.
 - If necessary, can refer to outer object as OuterClassName.this



Static inner classes

```
// enclosing outer class
public class name {
    ...

    // non-nested static inner class
    public static class name {
        ...
    }
}
```

- Static inner classes are not associated with a particular outer object.
- They cannot see the fields of the enclosing class.
- Usefulness: Clients can refer to and instantiate static inner classes:
 - `Outer.Inner name = new Outer.Inner(params);`

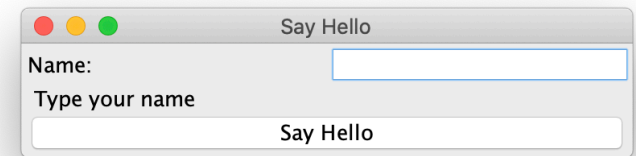
GUI event example: HelloGUIEvent

```
public HelloGUIEvent(){
    // set up components
    helloField = new JTextField(15);

    messageLabel = new JLabel( " Type your name ");
    computeButton = new JButton("Say Hello");
    computeButton.addActionListener(this);

    // layout
    JPanel north = new JPanel(new GridLayout(1, 1));
    north.add(new JLabel(" Name: "));
    north.add(helloField);
    // overall frame
    frame = new JFrame("Say Hello");

    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
    frame.setLayout(new BorderLayout());
    frame.add(north, BorderLayout.NORTH);
    frame.add(messageLabel, BorderLayout.CENTER);
    frame.add(computeButton, BorderLayout.SOUTH);
    frame.pack();
    frame.setVisible(true);
}
```



GUI event example: HelloGUIEvent

```
public class HelloGUIEvent implements  
ActionListener{
```

```
    JTextField helloField;  
    JButton computeButton;  
    JFrame frame;  
    JLabel messageLabel;
```

```
    // Handles clicks on say hello button  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event) {  
        // read the name  
        String nameText = helloField.getText();  
        messageLabel.setText(" Hello: " + nameText);  
    }
```



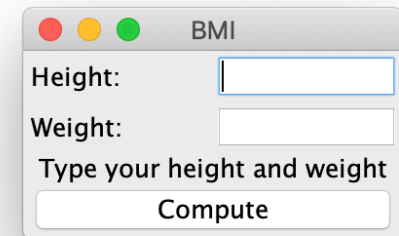
GUI event example

```
public BMIGUI(){
    // set up components
    heightField = new JTextField(5);
    weightField = new JTextField(5);
    JLabel bmiLabel = new JLabel( "  Type your height and weight  ");
    computeButton = new JButton("Compute");

    // layout
    JPanel north = new JPanel(new GridLayout(2, 2));
    north.add(new JLabel(" Height: "));
    north.add(heightField);
    north.add(new JLabel(" Weight: "));
    north.add(weightField);

    // overall frame
    frame = new JFrame("BMI");

    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
    frame.setLayout(new BorderLayout());
    frame.add(north, BorderLayout.NORTH);
    frame.add(bmiLabel, BorderLayout.CENTER);
    frame.add(computeButton, BorderLayout.SOUTH);
    frame.pack();
    frame.setVisible(true);
}
```



GUI event example

```
public class BMIGUI implements  
ActionListener{
```

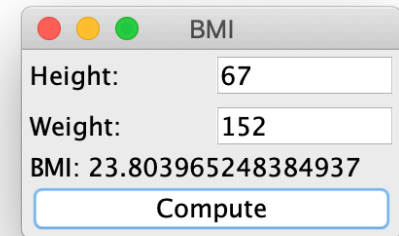
```
    JTextField heightField, weightField;  
    JButton computeButton;  
    JFrame frame;  
    JLabel bmiLabel;
```

```
    // Handles clicks on Compute button by computing the BMI.  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event) {
```

```
        // read height and weight info from text fields  
        String heightText = heightField.getText();  
        double height = Double.parseDouble(heightText);  
        String weightText = weightField.getText();  
        double weight = Double.parseDouble(weightText);
```

```
        // compute BMI and display it onscreen  
        double bmi = weight / (height * height) * 703;  
        bmiLabel.setText("BMI: " + bmi);
```

```
    }
```



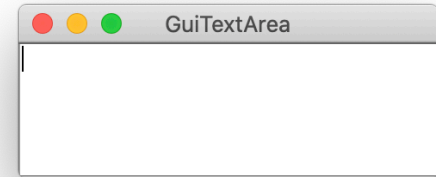


GUI Text Areas, Scrollbars, and Fonts

- Text fields are useful for single-line text input, but they don't work well when the user wants to type a larger or more complex message.
- Fortunately, there is another kind of component called a text area that represents a text input box that can accept multiple lines.
- Text areas are represented by `JTextArea` objects.

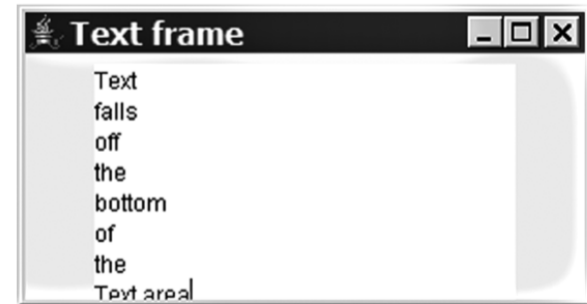
GUI Text Areas, Scrollbars, and Fonts

```
JTextArea linesOfText;  
public GuiTextArea(){  
  
    linesOfText = new JTextArea(5, 20);  
    // overall frame  
    frame = new JFrame("GuiTextArea");  
    frame.setLayout(new GridLayout(2, 2));  
  
    frame.add(linesOfText);  
    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);  
    frame.pack();  
    frame.setVisible(true);  
}
```



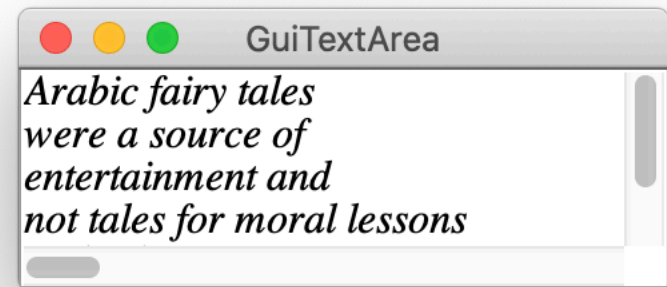
GUI Text Areas, Scrollbars, and Fonts

- In a larger GUI example, an event listener might examine the text that is written in a text area by calling its `getText` method or set new text in the text area by calling its `setText` method.
- Currently, when the user types too much text to fit in the text area, the text disappears off the bottom of the text box:



GUI Text Areas, Scrollbars, and Fonts

- To fix this problem, we can make the text area scrollable by adding familiar navigation components called scrollbars to it.
- Scrollbars are represented by instances of a special container component called a `JScrollPane`.
- To make a component scrollable, create a `JScrollPane`, add the component to the scroll pane, and then add the scroll pane to the overall frame.
- You construct a `JScrollPane` object by passing the relevant component as a parameter:
- ```
// use scrollbars on this text area
frame.add(new JScrollPane(area));
```



# GUI Text Areas, Scrollbars, and Fonts

```
linesOfText = new JTextArea(5, 20);
linesOfText.setFont(new Font("Serif", Font.ITALIC, 16));
// overall frame
frame = new JFrame("GuiTextArea");
frame.setLayout(new GridLayout(1, 1));

frame.add(new JScrollPane(linesOfText));
frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
frame.pack();
frame.setVisible(true);
```

