CS 106A, Lecture 24
Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs) part 2

reading:

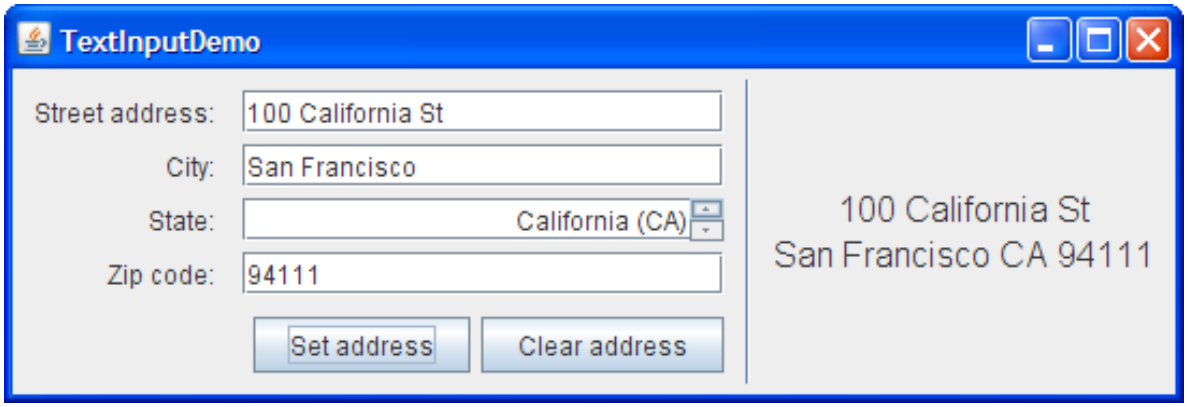
Art & Science of Java, Chapter 10

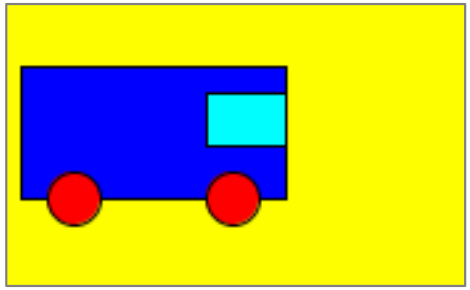
Lecture at a glance

- Today we will cover more about GUIs.
  - We will see new **components** such as checxboxes and radio buttons.

- We will also learn how to mix 2D graphics/animation with GUIs.
  - An animated graphical program is one that contains a **canvas**.

- Lastly we will discuss the idea of "**model**" and "**view**" separation.
  - This design pattern guides us in decomposing an OO GUI problem.





Icon

a picture that can appear inside a component

- `ImageIcon` ***`name`*** `= new ImageIcon("`***`filename`***`");`

- in `JButton`, `JLabel`, `JRadioButton`, `JCheckBox`, etc…
  - **constructor** that takes an `ImageIcon`
  - or, ***`jb`***`.setIcon(`***`icon`***`);`

- example:

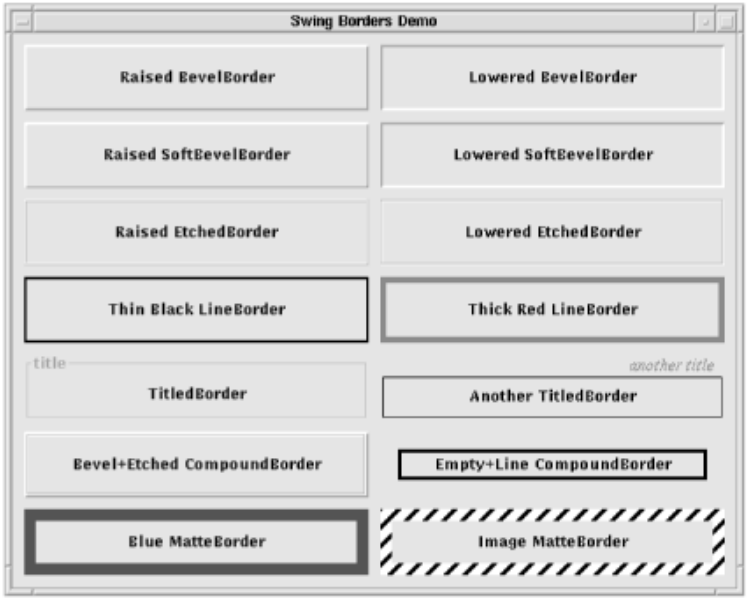
```
ImageIcon icon = new ImageIcon("res/smiley.gif");
myButton.setIcon(icon);
```

Borders

```
component.setBorder(
    BorderFactory.createBorderType(params));
```

– Where ***BorderType*** is:

- `BevelBorder, EtchedBorder, LineBorder, MatteBorder, TitledBorder, …`



– Example:

```
// set a 4-px-thick red border around the button
myButton.setBorder(
    BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.RED, 4));
```

– (see BorderFactory docs)

JTextField

a single-line input control for typing text values

Method	Description
`new JTextField("`***text***`")` `new JTextField(`***columns***`)`	Create new text field of given size
jtf`.addActionListener(this);`	causes action events to occur when the user presses Enter on the field
jtf`.getActionCommand()` ***jtf***`.setActionCommand("`***cmd***`");`	set/return a string to identify the action events that will occur in this field
jtf`.getText()` ***jtf***`.setText("`***text***`");`	set/return text in the field

Events on text fields

- By default, no event will occur if you press Enter on a `JTextField`.
  - To change this, add your program as an action listener to the field.
  - You must also set its **action command** to a unique string.

```
myTextField.addActionListener(this);
myTextField.setActionCommand("bingo");
...

public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event) {
    if (event.getActionCommand().equals("bingo")) {
        ...
    }
}
```

JCheckBox, JRadioButton

a toggleable yes/no value (checkbox)
or a way choose between options (radio)

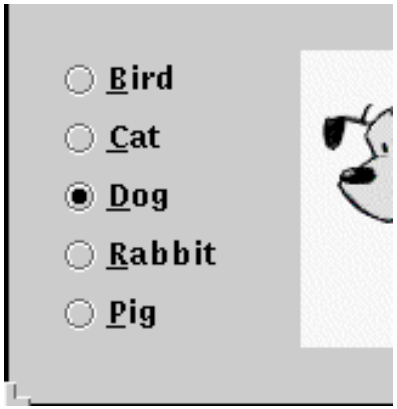
Method	Description

`new JCheckBox("`***text***`")`
`new JCheckBox("`***text***`", `***checked***`)`
`new JRadioButton("`***text***`")`
	Create new check box or radio button

jcb`.isSelected()` ***jcb***`.setSelected(`***boolean***`);`	set/return whether box is checked
jcb`.getText()` ***jcb***`.setText("`***text***`");`	set/return text in the check box

ButtonGroup

a logical collection to ensure that exactly one radio button from a group is checked at a time



- `public` **`ButtonGroup`**`()`
- `public void` **`add`**`(JRadioButton button)`

  – The `ButtonGroup` is not a graphical component, just a logical group; the `RadioButtons` themselves also need to be added to an onscreen container to be seen.

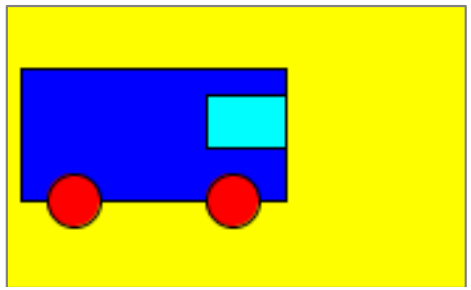
2D Graphics Canvas with GUIs

GCanvas

- GCanvas: A component for 2D graphics, shapes, colors, etc.
  - Graphical objects like GLine, GOval, etc., all work on a GCanvas.
  - A GraphicsProgram has a GCanvas in its CENTER.

- To mix 2D drawing/animation with an overall program GUI:
  - Write your overall program as one that extends Program .
  - Write a separate class that extends GCanvas for the drawing part.
  - Add your canvas to your Program's window (probably in the CENTER).

```
public class ClassName extends GCanvas {
    ...
}
```



Canvas class design

- Your canvas class is not the `Program`, so typically you want methods in it that the `Program` class can call to do the following:
  - set any relevant properties of the canvas
  - tell the canvas to redraw / "update" itself

```
public class CarCanvas extends GCanvas {
    public CarCanvas() {
        // initialize/add any graphical shapes ...
    }

    public void setCarColor(Color c) { ... }
    public void setCarSpeed(int speed) { ... }

    public void updateCar() {
        // called in an animation loop; update position ...
    }
}
```

Animated canvas

- Your Program class can create your canvas object and update it in an animation loop.

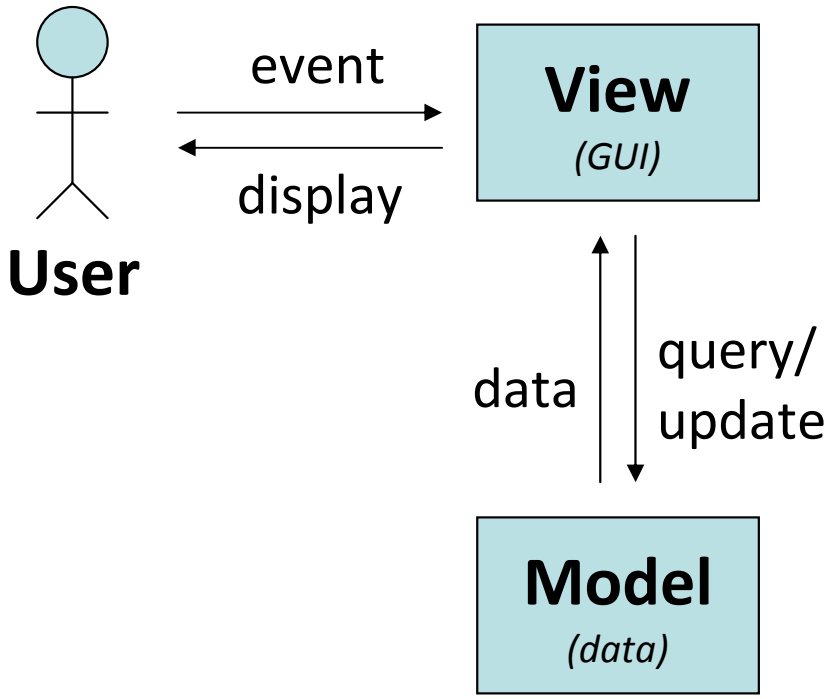
```
public class CarGUI extends Program {
    private CarCanvas canvas;

    public void init() {
        canvas = new CarCanvas();
    }

    public void run() {
        while (true) {
            canvas.updateCar();
            pause(50);
        }
    }
}
```

Model/View Separation

Model and View

- **model**: Classes/objects that represent core data of an app.
  - *responsibilities:* store, load, save, search through data
- **view**: Classes/objects used to display the model to the user.
  - *responsibilities:* read user input; display data to user; handle events

- Typical code design pattern:
  - **View** listens for user events.
  - User clicks/types information.
  - **View** asks **model** for relevant data, or tells model to modify/update data.
  - **Model** gives relevant data to the **view**.
  - **View** displays this data to the user.



Bank GUI

- Example: Bank Account Management GUI program
  - *model classes:* `BankAccount`; `BankDatabase`; etc.
  - *view classes:* `BankGui`; `BankCanvas`; etc.