

ENGINEERING COMPUTER PROGRAMMING (SUPPLEMENTARY)

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USER INTERFACE PROGRAMMING

Programs with a **graphical user interface (GUI)** are structured around **events**. Most of the time, the program just waits for an event to happen.

Events are for instance:

- **key presses**
- **window is minimized, maximized, or closed**
- **mouse is moved**
- **mouse button is pressed**
- **cursor enters window or leaves window**

Event-based programming means that a program doesn't have a sequential flow of control, but consists of functions that are called by events.

WAITING FOR USER INTERACTION

The `Table.ask(prompt)` method must wait for the user to press a key:

```
def ask(self, prompt):
    self.question.setMessage(prompt)
    while True:
        e = self.canvas.wait() ← e is an event object
        d = e.getDescription()
        if d == "canvas close":
            sys.exit(1)
        if d == "keyboard":
            key = e.getKey()
            if key == 'y':
                return True
            if key == 'n':
                return False
```