# **Programming with InterViews**

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## **Outline**

Overview

A simple application (hi mom!)

Boxes and glue

**Buttons** 

Rendering

A simple document previewer

### **Overview**

Key features

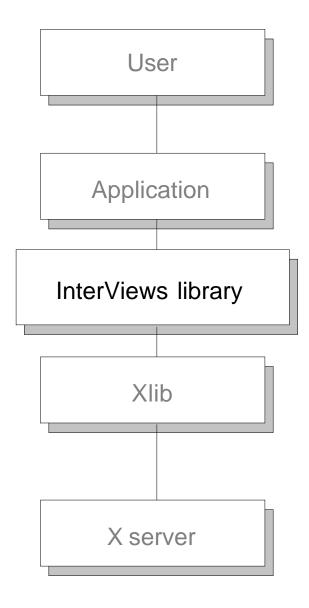
Differences from other toolkits

**Portability** 

Multi-vendor support

Availability

# High-level toolkit



#### InterViews = Interactive Views

## Interactive objects

Buttons, menus, scrollbars Chooser, dialogs, editors Multiple views

# Graphics objects

Immediate and structure mode Resolution-independence (printing) Transformations Color, font objects

## Layout objects

Sophisticated formatting in toolkit

## Graphical editing framework

Connectivity Undo/redo

Natural C++ API

#### Differences from other toolkits

## Uniform object model

Glyphs: lightweight, shareable Both widgets and structured graphics

## **Graphics**

Transformations (including fonts)
Resolution-independence (printing)
Direct color
Structured graphics

## Layoutmechanisms

TeX boxes and glue, discretionaries

### Unidraw framework

Connectivity, dataflow, undo/redo

#### Native C++

Efficient, object-oriented language

## **Portability**

Runs on all X/Unix platforms (SGI, HP, Sun, DEC, IBM, ...)

Compatible with most C++ compilers AT&T 2.0, 3.0, DEC, ... g++: contact Mike Stump, (mrs@csun.edu)

X and OS dependencies isolated

Planning port to Windows/NT

## Multi-vendor support

Support open industry standard SGI, Sun, HP, Fujitsu, ...

X Consortium working group

Compatible with OMG object model

Integrate best of InterViews, ATK, Xt

Portable across X, Windows, ...

Optional multimedia support

## **Availability**

Unrestricted copyright (just like X)

Anonymous ftp to sgi.com graphics/interviews/3.1.tar.Z

Thousands of users world-wide

Commercial versions

Quest ObjectViews, HP InterViews Plus

# A simple application

Source code for "hi mom!"

Basic types, classes

Building the application

```
#include <IV-look/kit.h>
#include <InterViews/background.h>
#include <InterViews/session.h>
#include <InterViews/window.h>

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Session* session = new Session(
        "Himom",argc,argv
    );
    WidgetKit& kit = *WidgetKit::instance();
    return session->run_window(
        new ApplicationWindow(
        new Background(
            kit.label("himom!"),kit.background()
        )
    );
}
```

#### **Notation**

```
typedef float Coord;

Default units are printer's points

Relative to fonts (typically 75/72)

typedef unsigned int boolean;
static const unsigned false = 0;
static const unsigned true = 1;

typedef unsigned int DimensionName;
enum{
    Dimension_X,Dimension_Y,Dimension_Z,
    Dimension_Undefined
};

#include <InterViews/enter-scope.h>
    Define name to ivname

No public or protected data members!
```

#### **Basic classes**

Session – main loop coordinator

WidgetKit – create buttons et al.

LayoutKit – create layout objects

Glyph – an object that draws

Canvas – a place to draw

Window – a canvas on a display

Display – logical input/output devices

Style – set of <name, value> attributes

### Include directories

Intrinsics: <InterViews/class.h>

Look+feel: <IV-look/class.h>

X-dependent: <IV-X11/class.h>

OS-dependent: <OS/interface.h>

Dispatching: <Dispatch/class.h>

### **Imakefiles**

```
#ifdef InObjectCodeDir
```

OBJS = main.o

```
APP_CCDEFINES=
APP_CCINCLUDES=
APP_CCLDFLAGS=
APP_CCLDLIBS =
```

Use\_libInterViews()
ComplexProgramTarget(himom)

MakeObjectFromSrc(main)

#else

MakeInObjectCodeDir()

#endif

## **Building the application**

Default is object files in subdirectory

ivmkmf generates Makefile

make Makefiles generates Makefile in subdirectory (SGI)

make depend computes dependencies

make builds a.out

make install puts a.out in installed bin

## LayoutKit

High-level layout specification

Describe format, not position

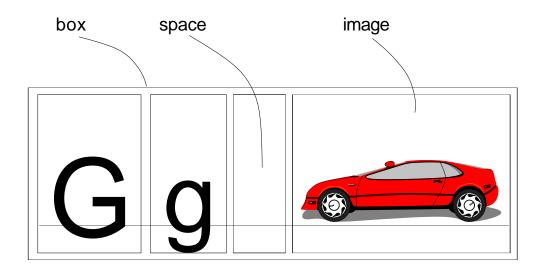
Use document formatting power: TeX boxes and glue

Glyphs define "natural size"

Glyphs may "stretch" or "shrink"

Glyphs may define an "alignment" Location of origin relative to size

# Think of glyphs as characters



## Requisition – what a glyph wants

Requirement per dimension Natural, stretch, shrink, alignment

Returned by Glyph::request

## Allocation – what a glyph gets

Allotment per dimension Origin, span, alignment

Passed to Glyph::draw

## **Box Example 1**

```
// start with hi mom code
const Font* f = kit.font();
const Color* fg = kit.foreground();
const LayoutKit& layout = *LayoutKit::instance();
return session->run_window(
  new ApplicationWindow(
    new Background(
      layout.hbox(
        new Character('g', f, fg),
        new Character('o', f, fg),
        new Character('o', f, fg),
        new Character('d', f, fg),
        new Character('b', f, fg),
        new Character('y', f, fg),
        new Character('e', f, fg)
      kit.background()
```

# **Box Example 2: Add a stencil (twice)**

#include<InterViews/Bitmaps/hand.bm>
...
layout.hbox(
 new Stencil(
 new Bitmap(
 hand\_bits, hand\_width, hand\_height
 ),
 fg
 ),
 new Stencil(
 new Bitmap(
 hand\_bits, hand\_width, hand\_height,
 hand\_bits, hand\_width, hand\_height,
 hand\_x\_hot, hand\_y\_hot
 ),
 fg
),

# **Boxes align origins**



# **Boxes and glue**

```
layout.hbox(
    kit.label("good"),
    layout.hglue(),
    kit.label("bye")
)
```





# WidgetKit

Coordinating a common look+feel Motif, OpenLook

### **Buttons**

Push, toggle, radio

### Menus

Menubars, toggle items, radio items

Scrollbars, sliders

## **Defining an action callback**

```
class App {
public:
    void msg();
};

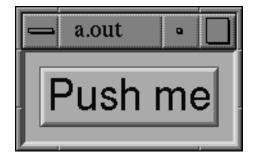
declareActionCallback(App)
implementActionCallback(App)

void App::msg() {
    printf("himom!\n");
}

App* a = new App;
...
... new ActionCallback(App)(a, &App::msg) ...
```

## Creating a push button

## **Button looks**





## Using a different button look

### Check boxes and radio buttons

```
kit.check_box(
   "Checkme",
   new ActionCallback(App)(a, &App:msg)
)

TelltaleGroup* group = new TelltaleGroup;
layout.vbox(
   kit.radio_button(group, "One", nil),
   kit.radio_button(group, "Two", nil)
)
```

#### **Menus**

```
List of items: <glyph, state, action, submenu>

Menu alignment defines submenu position

voidMenu::append_item(MenuItem*)

WidgetKit operations
Menu*menubar()
Menu*menubar()
Menu* pulldown()

MenuItem*menubar_item(Glyph*)
MenuItem*menu_item(Glyph*)
MenuItem*check_menu_item(Glyph*)
MenuItem*radio_menu_item(TelltaleGroup*,Glyph*)
MenuItem*menu_item_separator()
```

## Menu example

```
struct CmdInfo;
class App {
public:
 void open(), save(), quit();
 void cut(), copy(), paste();
 void black(), red(), green, blue();
  Menu*menubar(
    CmdInfo*, WidgetKit&, const LayoutKit&
  );
private:
  Menu* pulldown(
    CmdInfo*, int, WidgetKit&, const LayoutKit&
 );
};
declareActionCallback(App)
implementActionCallback(App)
```

```
struct CmdInfo {
  const char* str;
  ActionMemberFunction(App)* func;
  CmdInfo* submenu;
  int options;
};
CmdInfo filemenu[] = {
  { "Open", &App::open },
  {"Save", &App::save},
  { "", nil },
  { "Quit", &App::quit },
  { nil }
};
CmdInfo bar[] = {
  { "File", nil, filemenu, 0 },
  {"Edit", nil, editmenu, 1},
  { "Color", nil, colormenu, 2 },
  { nil }
};
```

```
void App::open() { printf("open"); }
void App::save() { printf("save"); }
void App::quit() { Session::instance()->quit(); }

Menu*App::menubar(
    CmdInfo* info, WidgetKit& kit,
    const LayoutKit& layout
) {
    Menu* m = kit.menubar();
    for (CmdInfo* i = info; i->str != nil; i++) {
        Menultem* mi = kit.menubar_item(kit.label(i->str));
        mi->menu(
            pulldown(i->submenu, i->options, kit, layout)
        );
        m->append_item(mi);
    }
    return m;
};
```

```
Menu* App::pulldown(
 CmdInfo* info, int opt, WidgetKit& k,
 const LayoutKit& layout
 Menu* m = k.pulldown();
 TelltaleGroup* group = nil;
 for (CmdInfo* i = info; i->str != nil; i++) {
   if (i->str[0] == '\0') {
      m->append_item(k.menu_item_separator());
   } else {
     MenuItem*mi;
     // create the item
     if (i->func == nil && i->submenu != nil) {
       mi->menu(
         pulldown(i->submenu, i->options, k, layout)
       );
     } else {
       mi->action(
          new ActionCallback(App)(this, i->func)
       );
      m->append_item(mi);
```

```
// creating the item
Glyph* g = layout.r_margin(
  k.label(i->str), 0.0, fil, 0.0
);
switch (opt) {
case 1:
  mi=k.check_menu_item(g);
  break;
case 2:
  if (group == nil) {
    group = new TelltaleGroup;
  }
  mi = k.radio_menu_item(group, g);
  break;
default:
  mi=ki.menu_item(g);
  break;
```

# **Scrolling**

Observable and Observer

Adjustable

Bounded value example

#### **Observable and Observer**

```
class Observable {
public:
    virtual void attach(Observer*);
    virtual void detach(Observer*);
    virtual void notify();
};

class Observer {
public:
    virtual void update(Observable*);
    voiddisconnect(Observable*);
};

Mix-in classes
```

# **Adjustable**

Object that can be scrolled/zoomed

One observable per dimension

# Access current placement

Coord lower (DimensionName) const Coord upper (DimensionName) const Coord length (DimensionName) const Coord cur\_lower (DimensionName) const Coord cur\_upper (DimensionName) const Coord cur\_length (DimensionName) const

### Requesting an adjustment

```
virtual void scroll_forward (Dimension Name) virtual void scroll_backward (Dimension Name) virtual void page_forward (Dimension Name) virtual void page_backward (Dimension Name) virtual void scroll_to (Dimension Name, Coord lower) virtual void scale_to (Dimension Name, float visible) virtual void zoom_to (float magnification)
```

# **Bounded value example**

```
class BoundedValue: public Adjustable {
public:
 BoundedValue(Coord lower, Coord upper);
 virtual ~BoundedValue();
 virtual void lower bound(Coord);
 virtual void upper_bound(Coord);
 virtual void current_value(Coord);
 virtual void scroll_incr(Coord);
 virtual void page incr(Coord);
 virtual Coord lower(DimensionName) const:
 virtual Coord upper(DimensionName) const;
 virtual Coord length(DimensionName) const;
 virtual Coord cur_lower(DimensionName) const;
 virtual Coord cur_upper(DimensionName) const;
 virtual Coord cur_length(DimensionName) const;
 virtual void scroll_to(DimensionName, Coord lower);
 virtualvoidscroll_forward(DimensionName);
 virtualvoidscroll_backward(DimensionName);
 virtualvoidpage_forward(DimensionName);
 virtualvoidpage_backward(DimensionName);
```

```
private:
  Coord curvalue_, lower_, span_;
  Coord scroll_incr_, page_incr_;
};
BoundedValue::BoundedValue(Coord a, Coord b) {
  lower_ = a;
  span_ = b - a;
  scroll_incr_ = span_ * 0.04;
page_incr_ = span_ * 0.4;
curvalue_ = (a + b) * 0.5;
```

```
void BoundedValue::current_value(Coord value) {
   curvalue_= value;
   constrain(Dimension_X,curvalue_);
   notify(Dimension_X);
   notify(Dimension_Y);
}

#defineaccess_function(name,value)\
CoordBoundedValue::name(DimensionName) const {\\ return value;\\}

access_function(lower,lower_)
   access_function(upper,lower_+ span_)
   access_function(length,span_)
   access_function(cur_lower,curvalue_)
   access_function(cur_upper,curvalue_)
   access_function(cur_length,0)
```

```
void BoundedValue::scroll to(
 DimensionName d, Coord position
) {
 Coord p = position;
 constrain(d, p);
 if (p != curvalue_) {
   curvalue_ = p;
   notify(Dimension_X);
   notify(Dimension_Y);
#define scroll_function(name,expr) \
void BoundedValue::name(DimensionNamed) { \
 scroll_to(d, curvalue_ + expr); \
}
scroll_function(scroll_forward,+scroll_incr_)
scroll_function(scroll_backward,-scroll_incr_)
scroll_function(page_forward,+page_incr_)
scroll_function(page_backward,-page_incr)
```

```
class App : public Observer {
public:
    App(Adjustable*, TelltaleState*);
    virtual ~App();

    void print_value();

    virtual void update(Observable*);
    virtual void disconnect(Observable*);
private:
    Adjustable*adj_;
    TelltaleState* continuous_;
};

App::App(Adjustable* a, TelltaleState* s) {
    adj_ = a;
    a->attach(Dimension_X, this);
    continuous_ = s;
}
```

```
App::~App() {
    if (adj_ != nil) {
        adj_->detach(Dimension_X, this);
    }
}

void App::print_value() {
    printf("%.5f\n",adj_->cur_lower(Dimension_X));
}

void App::update(Observable*) {
    if (continuous_->test(TelltaleState::is_chosen)) {
        print_value();
    }
}

void App::disconnect(Observable*) {
    adj_ = nil;
}
```

```
Button* cb = kit.check_box("Continuous", nil);
BoundedValue* b = new BoundedValue(0.0, 100.0);
App* a = new App(b, cb->state());
b->current_value(50.0);
b->scroll_incr(5.0);
b->page_incr(20.0);
```

# Rendering

Glyph operations: allocate, draw, print, undraw

Canvas and Printer

Screen update

#### **Glyph operations**

```
void allocate(
   Canvas*, const Allocation&, Extension&
);
void draw(Canvas*, const Allocation&) const;
void print(Printer*, const Allocation&) const;
void pick(
   Canvas*, const Allocation&, int depth, Hit&
);
void undraw() const;
```

# Allocation – given area for layout

#### Extension – rendering area

Must be resolution-dependent

Used for causing update, short-circuiting traversals

# **Usage**

All rendering is done in draw

Printer-specific output may be done in *print* 

(by default, Glyph::print calls draw)

Extension is computed in *allocate* (must also compute component allocations)

Cached information freed in undraw

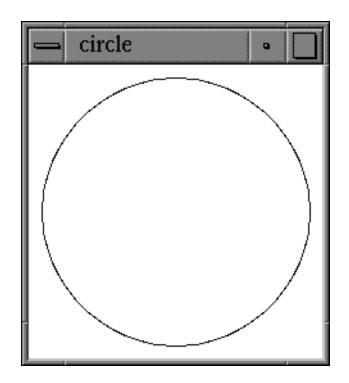
In the future, draw will compute extension as side effect, so allocate will become optional.

### **Example: Circle**

```
class Circle : public Glyph {
public:
    Circle(Coord radius, const Color*, const Brush*);
    virtual ~Circle();

    virtual void request(Requisition&) const;
    virtual void allocate(
        Canvas*, const Allocation&, Extension&
    );
    virtual void draw(Canvas*, const Allocation&) const;
private:
    Coord radius_;
    const Color* color_;
    const Brush* brush_;
};
```

# **Circle output**



# Circle example (cont'd)

```
Circle::Circle(
    Coord r, const Color* c, const Brush* b
) {
    radius_ = r;
    // use reference counting for (potentially)
    // shared objects
    Resource::ref(c);
    color_ = c;
    Resource::ref(b);
    brush_ = b;
}

Circle::~Circle() {
    Resource::unref(color_);
    Resource::unref(brush_);
}
```

#### Circle example (cont'd)

```
// Natural size is bounding box of given diameter.
// Stretchability and shrinkability are zero.
// Alignment is to put center at glyph origin.

void Circle::request(Requisition& req) const {
    Coord d = radius_ + radius_;
    Requirement rx(d, 0, 0, 0.5);
    Requirement ry(d, 0, 0, 0.5);
    req.require(Dimension_X,rx);
    req.require(Dimension_Y,ry);
}

// Simple assumption: we draw in entire bounding box.
void Circle::allocate(
    Canvas* c, const Allocation& a, Extension& ext
) {
    ext.merge(c, a);
}

// Can't show Circle::draw until we cover Canvas class
```

# **Canvas and Printer**

Canvas draws to screen

Printer subclass generates PostScript

PostScript-like path/stroke/fill

Transformations and clipping

Damagearea

#### **Canvas drawing operations**

```
void new_path()
void move_to(Coord x, Coord y)
void line_to(Coord x, Coord y)
void curve_to(
    Coord x, Coord y, Coord x1, Coord y1,
    Coord x2, Coord y2
)
void close_path()

void stroke(const Color*, const Brush*)
void fill(const Color*)
```

# Canvas drawing operations (cont'd)

```
void line(
   Coord x1, Coord y1, Coord x2, Coord y2,
   const Color*, const Brush*
)
void rect(
   Coord x1, Coord y1, Coord x2, Coord y2,
   const Brush*
)
void fill_rect(
   Coord x1, Coord y1, Coord x2, Coord y2,
   const Color*
)
```

# Canvas drawing operations (cont'd)

```
void character(
  const Font*, long code, Coord width,
  const Color*, Coord x, Coord y
)

void stencil(
  const Bitmap*, const Color*, Coord x, Coord y
)

void image(const Raster*, Coord x, Coord y)
```

#### Drawing a circle

```
void Circle::draw(
 Canvas* c. const Allocation& a
) const {
 const Coord r = radius_x, x = a.x(), y = a.y();
 const Coord p0 = 1.00000000^*r, p1 = 0.89657547^*r;
 const Coord p2 = 0.70710678*r, p3 = 0.51763809*r;
 const Coord p4 = 0.26794919*r:
 c->new_path();
 c->move_to(x+p0, y);
 c->curve_to(x+p2, y+p2, x+p0, y+p4, x+p1, y+p3);
 c->curve\_to(x, y+p0, x+p3, y+p1, x+p4, y+p0);
 c->curve_to(x-p2, y+p2, x-p4, y+p0, x-p3, y+p1);
 c \rightarrow curve_{to}(x-p0, y, x-p1, y+p3, x-p0, y+p4);
 c->curve_to(x-p2, y-p2, x-p0, y-p4, x-p1, y-p3);
 c->curve_to(x, y-p0, x-p3, y-p1, x-p4, y-p0);
 c->curve_to(x+p2, y-p2, x+p4, y-p0, x+p3, y-p1);
 c \rightarrow curve_{to}(x+p0, y, x+p1, y-p3, x+p0, y-p4);
 c->close_path();
 c->stroke(color, brush);
```

# Transformations and clipping

```
void transform(const Transformer&)
void push_transform()

// Use current path
void clip()
void push_clipping()
void pop_clipping()
void clip_rect(
    Coord x1, Coord y1, Coord x2, Coord y2
)
```

# Canvas damage

```
void damage(
    Coord left, Coord bottom, Coord right, Coord top
)
booleandamaged(
    Coord left, Coord bottom, Coord right, Coord top
)
```

# Screen update

Damage is accumulated on canvas

Associated window added to repair list

No input pending => repair windows

Draw root glyph for window

Pruning with damage checks

Render to "back buffer" (pixmap)

Move repaired area to front

# **Flexibility**

Full/partial updates as appropriate

Double-buffering

Non-rectangular objects

Overlays, transparencies

Unifies structured graphics, UI objects

#### **Colors**

Current support for RGB
Other color models in the future

Automatically maps to pixels

Can specify alpha value (transparency)
Partially implemented

For monoplane systems, can specify xor as color operator

Can specify X visual to control color mapping somewhat

# A simple document previewer

Compositions

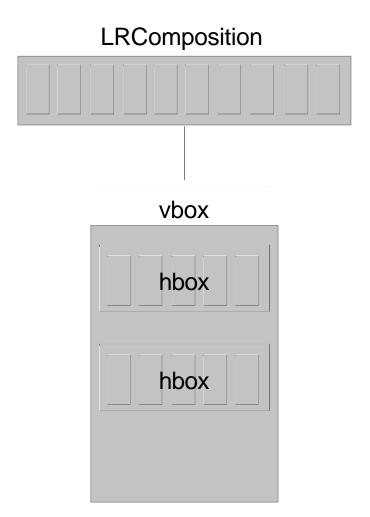
**Discretionaries** 

Compositors

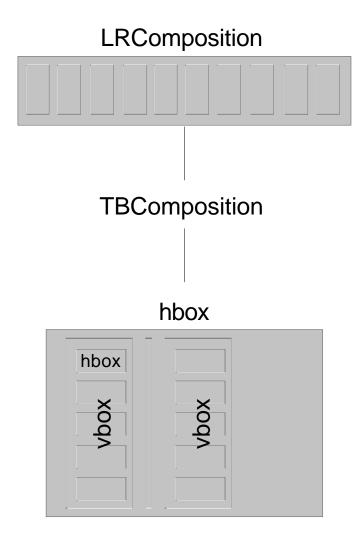
Operating system support

**Previewer source** 

# **Instance structure**



# **Nestingcompositions**



# What happens at a break?

Character space becomes zero width

Hyphen becomes visible

Paragraph separator is zero

Different glyph appearance!

Specify appearance before, during, after

# **Discretionary**

```
// constants defined in <InterViews/compositor.h>
const int PenaltyBad = 10000;
const int PenaltyGood = -10000;

layout.discretionary(
  int penalty, Glyph* no_break,
    Glyph* before, Glyph* at_break, Glyph* after
);
```

# Simple document viewer

```
class DocumentView : public MonoGlyph {
public:
 DocumentView(
   InputFile*, WidgetKit&, const LayoutKit&
 );
 virtual ~DocumentView();
 virtual Adjustable* adjustable() const;
private:
 Composition* page_;
 ScrollBox* box_;
 Glyph* begin_par_;
 Glyph*end_par_;
 Glyph* begin_line_;
 Glyph* word_space_;
 Glyph* interline_;
 Glyph* vfil_glue_;
 void add(
   const String&, WidgetKit&, const LayoutKit&
 );
};
```

# **Operating system classes**

Directory – sorted array of filenames

File - read/mmap input file

Host – access hostname

List – parameterized list of objects

Math - min, max, abs, round, equal

Memory – copy/zero memory

# Operating system classes (cont'd)

String – character strings

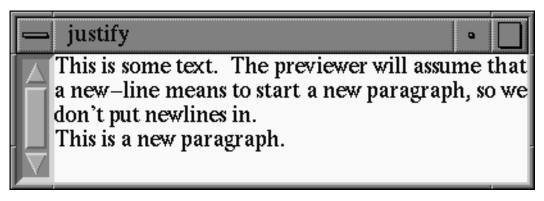
CopyString – copy data

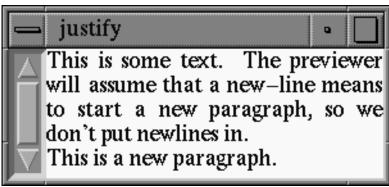
NullTerminatedString – guaranteed

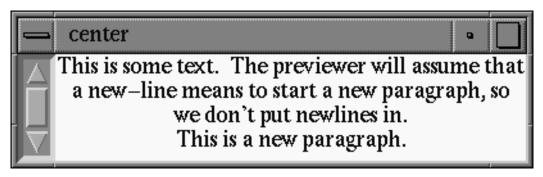
UniqueString – fast comparison

Table – associative store

#### **Document viewer**







```
int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Session* session = new Session(
    "Text", argc, argv, options, props
);
    if (argc != 2) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s file\n", argv[0]);
        exit(1);
    }
    WidgetKit& kit = *WidgetKit::instance();
    const LayoutKit& layout = *LayoutKit::instance();
    lnputFile* file = InputFile::open(argv[1]);
    if (file == nil) {
        fprintf(stderr, "can't open %s\n", argv[1]);
        exit(1);
    }
    DocumentView* view = new DocumentView(
        file, kit, layout
);
```

```
return session->run_window(
    new ApplicationWindow(
    layout.hbox(
        kit.inset_frame(
        kit.vscroll_bar(view->adjustable())
    ),
    new Background(
        layout.variable_span(
        layout.natural_span(
        layout.vcenter(view, 1.0), 4*72.0, 6*72.0
        )
     ),
     kit.background()
    )
    ))
   ))
}
```

```
DocumentView::DocumentView(
  InputFile* file,
 WidgetKit& kit, const LayoutKit& layout
) {
  const Font* f = kit.font();
  const Color* fg = kit.foreground();
 word_space_ = layout.spaces(2, 0.5, f, fg);
  interline_ = layout.vglue();
  vfil_glue_ = layout.vglue();
  String v("justify");
  kit.style()->find_attribute("alignment", v);
  if (v == "left") {
    begin_line_ = layout.vstrut(0);
    end_line_ = layout.strut(f, 0, fil, 0);
    begin_par_ = layout.vstrut(0);
    end_par_ = layout.strut(f, 0, fil, 0);
```

```
box_ = new TBScrollBox;
page_ = new LRComposition(
   box_, new TeXCompositor(10), nil, 6*72.0,
   fil, fil, file->length()
);
page_-->append(begin_par_);
const char* data;
for (;;) {
   int len = file->read(data);
   if (len <= 0) {
      break;
   }
   add(String(data, len), kit, layout);
}
page_-->append(vfil_glue_);
page_-->repair();
body(page_);
}
```

```
void DocumentView::add(
  const String& data,
  WidgetKit& kit, const LayoutKit& layout
) {
  const char* p = data.string();
  const char* end = p + data.length();
  const Font* f = kit.font();
  const Color* fg = kit.foreground();
  Glyph* g[256];
  for (int i = 0; i < 256; i++) {
    g[i] = new Character(i, f, fg);
  }</pre>
```

```
Resource::unref(g['\n']);
g['\n'] = layout.discretionary(
  PenaltyGood, end_par_, end_par_,
  layout.discretionary(
    0, interline_, vfil_glue_, nil, nil
  begin_par_
Resource::unref(g['']);
g[' '] = layout.discretionary(
  0, word_space_, end_line_,
  layout.discretionary(
    0, interline_, vfil_glue_, nil, nil
  begin_line_
);
for (; p < end; p++) {
  page_->append(g[*p]);
}
```

#### **Conclusions**

Simple, cheap, shareable objects (glyph ~ character)

Sophisticated layout

TeX boxes and glue, discretionaries

Common widgets
WidgetKit, Style

Resolution-independence Canvas, Printer

Structured graphics
Transformations,images

Dynamic behavior modification Monoglyph – pass operations to body

#### What to do next

Obtain a copy of InterViews 3.1

Build/install InterViews

Read/scan the reference manual

Write a simple application

Use DebugGlyph to find problems

Readcomp.windows.interviews