

Graphical User Interface

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Python GUI

- There are many GUI (Graphical User Interface) modules available for developing GUI programs in Python.
 - Tkinter
 - wxWidgets
 - ▶ Qt
 - ▶ Gtk+
 - ► FLTK
 - ► FOX
 - OpenGL
- This chapter introduces Tkinter, which will enable you to develop GUI projects.
- Tkinter is not only a useful tool for developing GUI projects, but it is also a valuable pedagogical tool for learning objectoriented programming



Tkinter



- Tkinter (pronounced T-K-Inter) is short for "Tk interface." Tk is a GUI library used by many programming languages for developing GUI programs.
- Tkinter provides an interface for Python programmers to use the Tk GUI library, and it is the de-facto standard for developing GUI programs in Python

Tkinter



- The **tkinter** module contains the classes for creating GUIs.
- The **Tk** class creates a window for holding GUI widgets (i.e., visual components).

```
from Tkinter import * # Import all definitions from tkinter
class ProcessButtonEvent:
    def init (self):
        window = Tk() # Create a window
        label = Label(window, text = "Welcome to Python")
        btOK = Button(window, text = "OK", fg = "red",command = self.processOK )
        btCancel = Button(window, text = "Cancel", bg = "yellow", command = self.processCancel)
        label.pack() # Place the label in the window
        btOK.pack() # Place the OK button in the window
        btCancel.pack() # Place the Cancel button in the window
        window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
    def processOK(self):
        print("OK button is clicked")
    def processCancel(self):
        print("Cancel button is clicked")
ob = ProcessButtonEvent() # invoke init method
```

Tkinter



- Whenever you create a GUI-based program in Tkinter, you need to import the tkinter module and create a window by using the Tk class.
- The asterisk (*) in the import statement indicates that it imports all definitions for classes, functions, and constants from the **tkinter** module to the program.
- ▶ **Tk()** creates an instance of a window.
- Label and Button are Python Tkinter widget classes for creating labels and buttons.
- The first argument of a widget constructor is always the parent container (i.e., the container in which the widget will be placed)

Widget on Window



▶ The statement

label = Label (window, text = "Welcome to Python")
constructs a label with the text Welcome to Python
that is contained in the window.

▶ The <u>statement</u>

label.pack()

places label in the container using a pack manager.

In this example, the pack manager packs the widget in the window row by row. More on the pack manager will be introduced later.

Event Processing

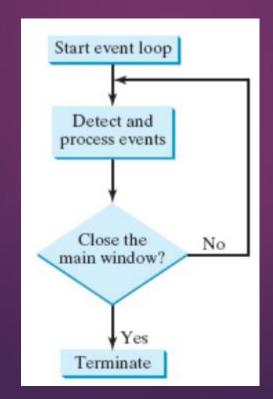


- ► Tkinter GUI programming is event driven. After the user interface is displayed, the program waits for user interactions such as mouse clicks and key presses.
- This is specified in the statement window.mainloop()
- The statement creates an event loop. The event loop processes events continuously until you close the main window

Event Processing



 A Tkinter GUI program listens and processes events in a continuous loop



Event Processing



- A Tkinter widget can be bound to a function or method, which is called when an event occurs.
- For example:
 - When the user clicks a button, your program should process this event.
 - You enable this action by defining a processing function and binding the function to the button

GUI Class

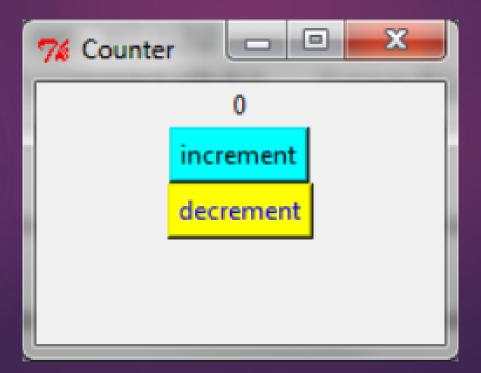


- There are two advantages of defining a class for creating a GUI and processing GUI events.
 - First, you can reuse the class in the future.
 - Second, defining all the functions as methods enables them to access instance data fields in the class.

Exercise



Write a GUI-based program that displays a count and two buttons: one for incrementing the count and the other for decrementing the count.



Widget Classes

Widget Class	Description
Button	A simple button, used to execute a command.
Canvas	An area to display graphical elements like lines or text.
Checkbutton	Clicking a check button toggles between the values.
Entry	A text entry field, also called a text field or a text box.
Frame	A container widget for containing other widgets.
Label	Displays text or an image.
Menu	A menu pane, used to implement pull-down and popup menus.
Menubutton	A menu button, used to implement pull-down menus.
Message	Displays a text. Similar to the label widget, but can automatically wrap text to a given width or aspect ratio.
Radiobutton	Clicking a radio button sets the variable to that value, and clears all other radio buttons associated with the same variable.
Text	Formatted text display. Allows you to display and edit text with various styles and attributes.



Widget Class



- There are many options for creating widgets from these classes. The first argument is always the parent container.
- You can specify a foreground color, background color, font, and cursor style when constructing a widget.

Color



- To specify a color, use either a color name (such as red, yellow, green, blue, white, black, purple)
- or explicitly specify the red, green, and blue (RGB) color components by using a string #RRGGBB, where RR, GG, and BB are hexadecimal representations of the red, green, and blue values, respectively.

Font



- You can specify a font in a string that includes the font name, size, and style.
- **Examples:**

Times 10 bold
Helvetica 10 bold italic
CourierNew 20 bold italic
Courier 20 bold italic underline

Text Formatting



- By default, the text in a label or a button is centered.
- You can change its alignment by using the justify option with the named constants LEFT, CENTER, or RIGHT.
- You can also display the text in multiple lines by inserting the newline character.

Changing Widget Properties



When you construct a widget, you can specify its properties such as fg, bg, font, cursor, text, and command in the constructor. Later in th program, you can change the widget's properties by using the following syntax:

```
widgetName["propertyName"] = newPropertyValue
```

For example, the following code creates a button and its properties are changed.

```
btShowOrHide = Button(window,text= "Show",bg= "white")
btShowOrHide["text"] = "Hide"
btShowOrHide["bg"] = "red"
btShowOrHide["fg"] = "#AB84F9"
btShowOrHide["cursor"] = "plus"
btShowOrHide["justify"] = LEFT
```

```
from Tkinter import *
class WidgetsDemo:
    def init (self):
        window = Tk() # Create a window
        window.title("Widgets Demo") # Set a title
        frame1 = Frame(window)
        frame1.pack()
        self.v1 = IntVar()
        cbtBold = Checkbutton(frame1, text = "Bold", variable = self.v1, command = self.processCheckbutton)
        self.v2 = IntVar()
        rbRed = Radiobutton(frame1, text = "Red", bg = "red", variable = self.v2, value = 1, command =
self.processRadiobutton)
        rbYellow = Radiobutton(frame1, text = "Yellow", bg = "yellow", variable = self.v2, value = 2, command =
self.processRadiobutton)
        cbtBold.grid(row = 1, column = 1)
        rbRed.grid(row = 1, column = 2)
        rbYellow.grid(row = 1, column = 3)
```

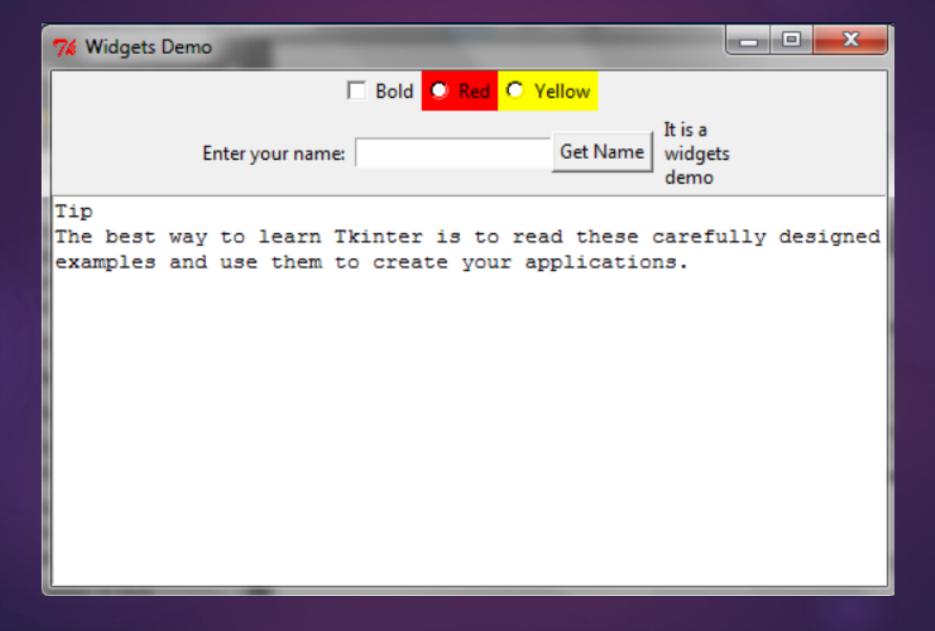
```
frame2 = Frame(window) # Create and add a frame to window
frame2.pack()
label = Label(frame2, text = "Enter your name: ")
self.name = StringVar()
entryName = Entry(frame2, textvariable = self.name)
btGetName = Button(frame2, text = "Get Name", command = self.processButton)
message = Message(frame2, text = "It is a widgets demo")
label.grid(row = 1, column = 1)
entryName.grid(row = 1, column = 2)
btGetName.grid(row = 1, column = 3)
message.grid(row = 1, column = 4)
text = Text(window) # Create a text, add to the window
text.pack()
text.insert(END, "Tip\nThe best way to learn Tkinter is to read ")
text.insert(END, "these carefully designed examples and use them ")
text.insert(END, "to create your applications.")
window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
```



```
def processCheckbutton(self):
    print("check button is " + ("checked " if self.v1.get() == 1 else "unchecked"))

def processRadiobutton(self):
    print(("Red" if self.v2.get() == 1 else "Yellow") + " is selected " )

def processButton(self):
    print("Your name is " + self.name.get())
WidgetsDemo() # Create GUI
```





Changing Widget Properties



- You use an entry (text field) for entering a value. The value just be an object of IntVar, DoubleVar, or StringVar representing an integer, a float, or a string, respectively.
- IntVar, DoubleVar, and StringVar are defined in the tkinter module.
- The program creates a check button and associates it with the variable v1. v1 is an instance of IntVar. v1 is set to 1 if the check button is checked, or 0 if it isn't checked. When the check button is clicked, Python invokes the processCheckbutton method.

Changing Widget Properties

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- The grid geometry manager is used to place the check button and radio buttons into **frame1**. These three widgets are placed in the same row and in columns 1, 2, and 3, espectively.
- An entry is created and associated with the variable name of the StringVar type for storing the value in the entry.
- When you click the Get Name button, the processButton method displays the value in the entry.
- The Message widget is like a label except that it automatically wraps the words and displays them in multiple lines.
- The program also creates a **Text** widget for displaying and editing text. You can use the **insert** method to insert text into this widget. The **END** option specifies that the text is inserted into the end of the current content.



- You use the **Canvas** widget for displaying shapes.
- You can use the methods
 - create_rectangle
 - create_oval
 - create_arc
 - create_polygon
 - create_line



```
from Tkinter import *
class CanvasDemo:
    def init (self):
        window = Tk() # Create a window
        window.title("Canvas Demo") # Set title
        self.canvas = Canvas(window, width = 200, height = 100, bg = "white")
        self.canvas.pack()
        frame = Frame(window)
```

```
btRectangle = Button(frame, text = "Rectangle", command = self.displayRect)
btOval = Button(frame, text = "Oval", command = self.displayOval)
btArc = Button(frame, text = "Arc", command = self.displayArc)
btPolygon = Button(frame, text = "Polygon", command = self.displayPolygon)
btLine = Button(frame, text = "Line", command = self.displayLine)
btString = Button(frame, text = "String", command = self.displayString)
btClear = Button(frame, text = "Clear", command = self.clearCanvas)
btRectangle.grid(row = 1, column = 1)
btOval.grid(row = 1, column = 2)
btArc.qrid(row = 1, column = 3)
btPolygon.grid(row = 1, column = 4)
btLine.grid(row = 1, column = 5)
btString.grid(row = 1, column = 6)
btClear.grid(row = 1, column = 7)
window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
```



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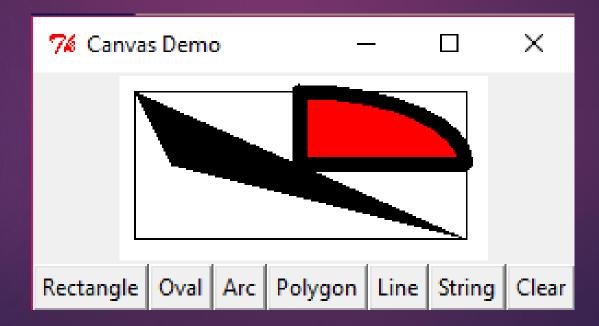
```
def displayRect(self):
        self.canvas.create rectangle(10, 10, 190, 90, tags = "rect")
        # Display an oval
    def displayOval(self):
        self.canvas.create oval(10, 10, 190, 90, fill = "red", tags = "oval")
        # Display an arc
    def displayArc(self):
        self.canvas.create arc(10, 10, 190, 90, start = 0, extent = 90, width = 8, fill =
"red", tags ="arc")
    # Display a polygon
    def displayPolygon(self):
        self.canvas.create polygon(10, 10, 190, 90, 30, 50, tags = "polygon")
```



```
def displayLine(self):
        self.canvas.create line(10, 10, 190, 90, fill = "red", tags = "line")
        self.canvas.create line(10, 90, 190, 10, width = 9, arrow = "last",
activefill = "blue", tags = "line")
    def displayString(self):
        self.canvas.create text(60, 40, text = "Hi, I am a string", font = "Times
10 bold underline", tags = "string")
    def clearCanvas(self):
        self.canvas.delete("rect", "oval", "arc", "polygon", "line", "string")
CanvasDemo() # Create GUI
```



- Seven buttons—labeled with the text Rectangle, Oval, Arc, Polygon, Line, String, and Clear—are created.
- The grid manager places the buttons in one row in a frame



Coordinate System

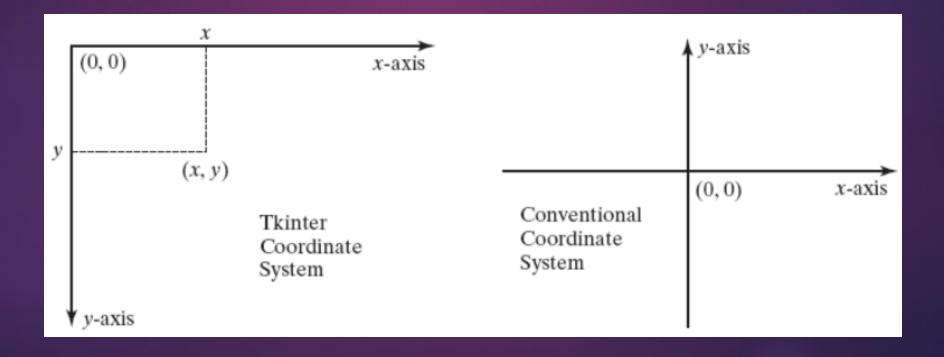


- ▶ To draw graphics, you need to tell the widget where to draw.
- ► Each widget has its own coordinate system with the origin (0, 0) at the upper-left corner.
- The x-coordinate increases to the right, and the y-coordinate increases downward.
- Note that the Tkinter coordinate system differs from the conventional coordinate system.

Coordinate System



The Tkinter coordinate system is measured in pixels, with
 (0, 0) at its upperleft corner.

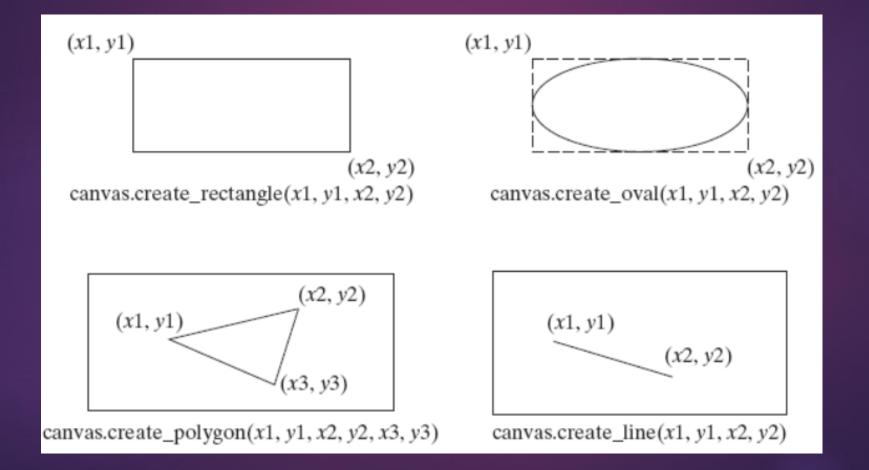


Coordinate System in Canvas

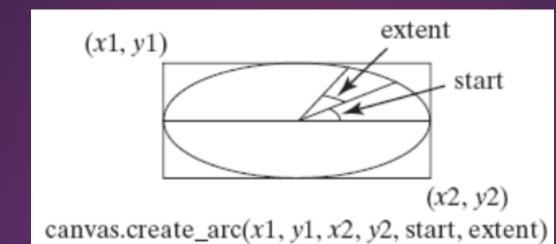


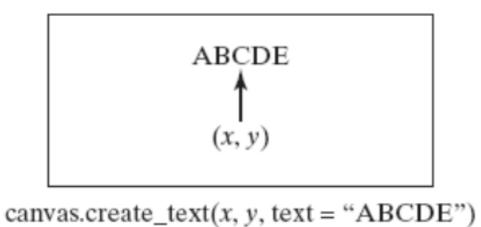
- The methods create_rectangle, create_oval, create_arc, create_polygon, and create_line are used to draw rectangles, ovals, arcs, polygons, and lines.
- The create_text method is used to draw a text string. Note that the horizontal and vertical center of the text is displayed at (x, y) for create_text(x, y, text).
- All the drawing methods use the tags argument to identify the drawing. These tags are used the delete method for clearing the drawing from the canvas













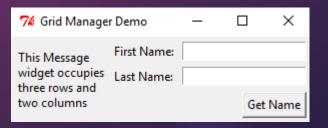
- The width argument can be used to specify the pen size in pixels for drawing the shapes.
- ► The arrow argument can be used with create_line to draw a line with an arrowhead. The arrowhead can appear at the start, end, or both ends of the line with the argument value first, end, or both.
- The activefill argument makes the shape change color when you move the mouse cursor over it



- Tkinter uses a geometry manager to place widgets inside a container.
- Tkinter supports three geometry managers
 - grid manager
 - pack manager
 - place manager
- Since each manager has its own style of placing the widget, it is not a good practice to mix the managers for the widgets in the same container.
- You can use a frame as a subcontainer to achieve the desired layout



- The grid manager places widgets into the cells of an invisible grid in a container.
- You can place a widget in a specified row and column.
- You can also use the rowspan and columnspan parameters to place a widget in multiple rows and columns.
- Study the following example





```
from Tkinter import *
class GridManagerDemo:
    window = Tk() # Create a window
    window.title("Grid Manager Demo") # Set title
    message = Message(window, text = "This Message widget occupies three rows and two columns")
    message.grid(row = 1, column = 1, rowspan = 3, columnspan = 2)
    Label(window, text = "First Name:").grid(row = 1, column = 3)
    Entry(window).grid(row = 1, column = 4, padx = 5, pady = 5)
    Label(window, text = "Last Name:").grid(row = 2, column = 3)
    Entry (window) .grid (row = 2, column = 4)
    Button(window, text = "Get Name").grid(row = 3, padx = 5, pady = 5, column = 4, sticky = E)
    window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
GridManagerDemo() # Create GUI
```



- ► The Message widget is placed in row 1 and column 1 and it expands to three rows and two columns.
- The Get Name button uses the sticky = E option to stick to the east in the cell so that it is right aligned with the Entry widgets in the same column.
- The sticky option defines how to expand the widget if the resulting cell is larger than the widget itself.
- The sticky option can be any combination of the named constants S, N, E, and W, or NW, NE, SW, and SE.
- The padx and pady options pad the optional horizontal and vertical space in a cell. You can also use the ipadx and ipady options to pad the optional horizontal and vertical space inside the widget borders

Displaying Images



- You can add an image to a label, button, check button, or radio button.
- To create an image, use the PhotoImage class as follows:

```
photo = PhotoImage(file = imagefilename)
```

- ▶ The image file must be in GIF format. You can use a conversion utility to convert image files in other formats into GIF format.
- You can also use the create_image method to display an image in a canvas. In fact, you can display multiple images in one canvas.
- Study the following examples

Displaying Image



```
from Tkinter import *
class ImageDemo:
    def init (self):
        window = Tk() # Create a window
        window.title("Image Demo") # Set title
        pinkImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/pink.gif")
        pinkImage = pinkImage .subsample(2,2)
        flowerImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/flower.gif")
        flowerImage = flowerImage_.subsample(3,3)
        leftImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/left.gif")
        rightImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/right.gif")
        gerImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/germany.gif")
        ukImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/uk.gif")
        crossImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/cross.gif")
        circleImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/circle.gif")
```

Displaying Image



```
# frame1 to contain label and canvas
frame1 = Frame(window)
frame1.pack()
Label(frame1, image = flowerImage).pack(side = LEFT)
canvas = Canvas(frame1)
canvas.create_image(150, 100, image = pinkImage)
canvas["width"] = 300
canvas["height"] = 200
canvas.pack(side = LEFT)
```

Displaying Image



```
frame2 = Frame(window)
        frame2.pack()
        radio = IntVar ()
        Button(frame2, image = leftImage).pack(side = LEFT)
        Button(frame2, image = rightImage).pack(side = LEFT)
        Checkbutton(frame2, image = gerImage).pack(side = LEFT)
        Checkbutton(frame2, image = ukImage).pack(side = LEFT)
        Radiobutton(frame2, image = crossImage, variable = radio, value = 1).pack(side = LEFT)
        Radiobutton(frame2, image = circleImage, variable = radio, value = 2).pack(side = LEFT)
        window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
ImageDemo()
```

Menus



- You can use Tkinter to create menus, popup menus, and toolbars.
- Menus make selection easier and are widely used in windows.
- You can use the Menu class to create a menu bar and a menu, and use the add_command method to add items to the menu.
- See the next example



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```
#MenuDemo.py
from Tkinter import *
class MenuDemo:
    def init (self):
        window = Tk()
        window.title("Menu Demo")
        menubar = Menu(window)
        window.config(menu = menubar) # Display the menu bar
        operationMenu = Menu(menubar, tearoff = 0)
        menubar.add cascade(label = "Operation", menu = operationMenu)
        operationMenu.add command(label = "Add", command = self.add)
        operationMenu.add command(label = "Subtract", command = self.subtract)
```



```
operationMenu.add separator()
operationMenu.add command(label = "Multiply", command = self.multiply)
operationMenu.add command(label = "Divide", command = self.divide)
exitmenu = Menu(menubar, tearoff = 0)
menubar.add cascade(label = "Exit", menu = exitmenu)
exitmenu.add command(label = "Quit", command = window.quit)
frame0 = Frame(window) # Create and add a frame to window
frame0.grid(row = 1, column = 1, sticky = W)
plusImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/plus.gif")
minusImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/minus.gif")
timesImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/multiply.gif")
divideImage = PhotoImage(file = "image/divide.gif")
```



```
Button(frame0, image = plusImage, command = self.add).grid(row = 1, column = 1, sticky = E)
Button(frame0, image = minusImage, command = self.subtract).grid(row = 1, column = 2)
Button(frame0, image = timesImage, command = self.multiply).grid(row = 1, column = 3)
Button(frame0, image = divideImage, command = self.divide).grid(row = 1, column = 4)
frame1 = Frame(window)
frame1.grid(row = 2, column = 1, pady = 10)
Label(frame1, text = "Number 1:").pack(side = LEFT)
self.v1 = StringVar()
Entry(frame1, width = 5, textvariable = self.v1, justify = RIGHT).pack(side = LEFT)
Label(frame1, text = "Number 2:").pack(side = LEFT)
self.v2 = StringVar()
Entry(frame1, width = 5, textvariable = self.v2, justify = RIGHT).pack(side = LEFT)
Label(frame1, text = "Result:").pack(side = LEFT)
self.v3 = StringVar()
Entry(frame1, width = 5, textvariable = self.v3, justify = RIGHT).pack(side = LEFT)
```



```
frame2 = Frame(window) # Create and add a frame to window
        frame2.grid(row = 3, column = 1, pady = 10, sticky = E)
        Button(frame2, text = "Add", command = self.add).pack(side = LEFT)
        Button(frame2, text = "Subtract", command = self.subtract).pack(side = LEFT)
        Button(frame2, text = "Multiply", command = self.multiply).pack(side = LEFT)
        Button(frame2, text = "Divide", command = self.divide).pack(side = LEFT)
        mainloop()
    def add(self):
        self.v3.set(eval(self.v1.get()) + eval(self.v2.get()))
    def subtract(self):
        self.v3.set(eval(self.v1.get()) - eval(self.v2.get()))
    def multiply(self):
        self.v3.set(eval(self.v1.get()) * eval(self.v2.get()))
    def divide(self):
        self.v3.set(eval(self.v1.get()) / eval(self.v2.get()))
MenuDemo() # Create GUI
```

Menus



- ► The program creates a menu bar, and the menu bar is added to the window.
- ► To display the menu, use the config method to add the menu bar to the container.
- To create a menu inside a menu bar, use the menu bar as the parent container and invoke the menu bar's add_cascade method to set the menu label.
- Use the add_command method to add items to the menu.
- Note that the **tearoff** is set to **0**, which specifies that the menu cannot be moved out of the window. If this option is not set, the menu can be moved out of the window.
- The program creates another menu named Exit and adds the Quit menu item to it.

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- The program creates a frame named frame0 and uses it to hold toolbar buttons.
- ▶ The toolbar buttons are buttons with images, which are created by using the **PhotoImage** class. The command for each button specifies a callback function to be invoked when a toolbar button is clicked.
- ► The program creates a frame named frame1 and uses it to hold labels and entries for numbers. Variables v1, v2, and v3 bind the entries.
- The program creates a frame named **frame2** and uses it to hold four buttons for performing *Add*, *Subtract*, *Multiply*, and *Divide*.
- The operation button, menu item, and tool bar button have the same callback function, which is invoked when any one of them is clicked.

Mouse, Key Events, and Bindings



- We can use the **bind** method to bind mouse and key events to a widget.
- In the preceding example:

```
# Bind popup to canvas
self.canvas.bind("<Button-3>", self.popup)
```

we used the widget's **bind** method to bind a mouse event with a callback handler by using the syntax:

```
widget.bind(event, handler)
```

Mouse, Key Events, and Bindings



- If a matching event occurs, the handler is invoked. In the preceding example, the event is <Button-3> and the handler function is popup.
- The event is a standard Tkinter object, which is automatically created when an event occurs. Every handler has an event as its argument.
- The following example defines the handler using the event as the argument:

```
def popup(self, event):
    self.menu.post(event.x_root, event.y_root)
```

► The event object has a number of properties describing the event pertaining to the event. For example, for a mouse event, the event object uses the x, y properties to capture the current mouse location in pixels.

Common Events



Event	Description
<bi-motion></bi-motion>	An event occurs when a mouse button is moved while being held down on the widget.
<button-<i>i></button-<i>	Button-1, Button-2, and Button-3 identify the left, middle, and right buttons. When a mouse button is pressed over the widget, Tkinter automatically grabs the mouse pointer's location. ButtonPressed- i is synonymous with Button- i .
<buttonreleased-i></buttonreleased-i>	An event occurs when a mouse button is released.
<double-button-i></double-button-i>	An event occurs when a mouse button is double-clicked.
<enter></enter>	An event occurs when a mouse pointer enters the widget.
<key></key>	An event occurs when a key is pressed.
<leave></leave>	An event occurs when a mouse pointer leaves the widget.
<return></return>	An event occurs when the <i>Enter</i> key is pressed. You can bind any key such as A, B, Up, Down, Left, Right in the keyboard with an event.
<shift+a></shift+a>	An event occurs when the Shift+A keys are pressed. You can combine Alt, Shift, and Control with other keys.
<triple-button-i></triple-button-i>	An event occurs when a mouse button is triple-clicked.

Events Properties

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Event Property	Description
char	The character entered from the keyboard for key events.
keycode	The key code (i.e., Unicode) for the key entered from the keyboard for key events.
keysym	The key symbol (i.e., character) for the key entered from the keyboard for key events.
num	The button number (1, 2, 3) indicates which mouse button was clicked.
widget	The widget object that fires this event.
x and y	The current mouse location in the widget in pixels.
x_root and y_root	The current mouse position relative to the upper-left corner of the screen, in pixels.



Event

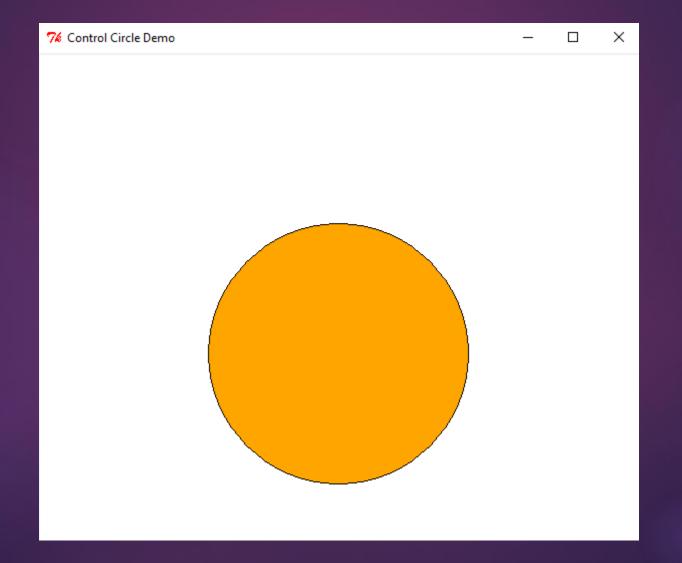


```
from Tkinter import *
class EnlargeShrinkCircle:
    def init (self):
        self.radius = 50
        window = Tk() # Create a window
        window.title("Control Circle Demo") # Set a title
        global w
        global h
        w = 600/2
        h = 600/2
        self.canvas.pack()
        self.canvas.create oval(w - self.radius, h - self.radius, w + self.radius, h +
self.radius, tags = "oval", fill = "orange")
```

Event



```
self.canvas.bind("<Button-1>", self.increaseCircle)
        self.canvas.bind("<Button-3>", self.decreaseCircle)
        window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
def increaseCircle(self, event):
        self.canvas.delete("oval")
        self.canvas.create oval(w- self.radius, h - self.radius, w + self.radius, h + self.radius,
tags = "oval", fill = "orange")
    def decreaseCircle(self, event):
        self.canvas.delete("oval")
        if self.radius > 2:
             self.canvas.create oval(w- self.radius, h - self.radius, w + self.radius, h +
self.radius, tags = "oval", fill = "orange")
EnlargeShrinkCircle()
```





Event



- The program creates a canvas and displays a circle on the canvas with an initial radius of 50.
- The canvas is bound to a mouse event <Button-1> with the handler increaseCircle and to a mouse event <Button-3> with the handler decreaseCircle.
- When the left mouse button is pressed, the increaseCircle function is invoked to increase the radius and redisplay the circle.
- When the right mouse button is pressed, the decreaseCircle function is invoked tode create the radius and redisplay the circle.



Inheritance and Polymorphism

Inheritance



- Object-oriented programming (OOP) allows you to define new classes from existing classes, through the mechanism of inheritance.
- ► The procedural paradigm (like in C, Pascal) focuses on designing functions and the object oriented paradigm (like in Python, Java, C++) couples data and methods together into objects.
- The object-oriented approach combines the power of the procedural paradigm with an added dimension that integrates data with operations into objects.

Inheritance



- Inheritance extends the power of the object oriented paradigm by adding an important and powerful feature for reusing software.
- Suppose that you want to define classes to model circles, rectangles, and triangles. These classes have many common features. What is the best way to design these classes to avoid redundancy and make the system easy to comprehend and maintain? The answer is to use inheritance

Superclasess and Subclasses



- You use a class to model objects of the same type.
- Different classes may have some common properties and behaviors that you can generalize in a class, which can then be shared by other classes.
- Inheritance enables you to define a general class (superclass) and later extend it to define more specialized classes (subclasses).
- ► The specialized classes inherit the properties and methods from the general class.

Superclasess and Subclasses



- In OOP terminology, a class C1 extended from another class C2 is called a derived class, child class, or subclass, and C2 is called a base class, parent class, or superclass.
- In UML, a triangular arrow pointing to the superclass is used to denote the inheritance relationship between the two classes involved

GeometricObject

-color: str

-filled: bool

GeometricObject(color: str, filled:

bool)

getColor(): str

setColor(color: str): None

isFilled(): bool

setFilled(filled: bool): None

__str__(): str

The color of the object (default : green).

Indicates whether the object is filled with a color (default: True).

Creates a GeometricObject with the specified color and filled values.

Returns the color.

Sets a new color.

Returns the filled property.

Sets a new filled property.

Returns a string representation of this object.

Circle

-radius: float

Circle(radius: float, color: str,

filled: bool)

getRadius(): float

setRadius(radius: float): None

getArea(): float

getPerimeter(): float

getDiameter(): float

printCircle(): None

Rectangle

-width: float

-height: float

Rectangle(width: float, height: float, color:

string, filled: bool)

getWidth(): float

setWidth(width: float): None

getHeight(): float

setHeight(height: float): None

getArea(): float

getPerimeter(): float



Example



- Because a circle is a special type of geometric object, it shares common properties and methods with other geometric objects. For this reason, it makes sense to define a Circle class that extends the GeometricObject class.
- Similarly, you can define Rectangle as a subclass of GeometricObject.
- A subclass inherits accessible data fields and methods from its superclass, but it can also have other data fields and methods.

Example:

```
class GeometricObject:
   def init (self, color = "green", filled = True):
       self. filled = filled
   def getColor (self):
       return self. color
   def setColor (self, color):
   def isFilled (self):
       return self. filled
   def setFilled (self, filled):
       self. filled = filled
   def str (self):
       return "color = "+self. color + " and filled = "+str(self. filled)
```



Example:

```
from GeometricObject import GeometricObject
import math
class Circle (GeometricObject):
   def init (self, radius):
       super(). init ()
       self. radius = radius
   def getRadius (self):
       return self. radius
   def setRadius (self):
       sekf. radius = radius
    def getArea(self):
       return self. radius**2*math.pi
    def getDiamater(self):
       return self. radius*2
   def getPerimeter(self):
       return self. radius*2*math.pi
    def printCircle (self):
       print (self. str () + ' radius : '+ str(self. radius))
```



Example:

```
from GeometricObject import GeometricObject
class Rectangle (GeometricObject):
        self. h= h
    def getWidth (self):
    def setWidth (self, w):
        self. w= w
    def getHeight(self):
        return self. h
    def setHeight (self, h):
        self. h= h
    def getArea(self):
        return self. w*self. h
    def getPerimeter(self):
    def printRect(self):
```

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Example



- In our example:
 - ► The Circle class inherits all accessible data fields and methods from the GeometricObject class.
 - ▶ In addition, it has a new data field, radius, and its associated get and set methods. It also contains the getArea(), getPerimeter(), and getDiameter() methods for returning the area, perimeter, and diameter of a circle. The printCircle() method is defined to print the information about the circle.
 - ► The Rectangle class inherits all accessible data fields and methods from the GeometricObject class. In addition, it has the data fields width and height and the associated get and set methods.
 - ▶ It also contains the getArea() and getPerimeter() methods for returning the area and perimeter of the rectangle.
- Notes: The get methods are called accessors (--> to access) and the set methods are called mutators (--> to mutate)



► The Circle class is derived from the GeometricObject class, based on the following syntax:



- This tells Python that the Circle class inherits the GeometricObject class, thus inheriting the methods getColor, setColor, isFilled, setFilled, and __str__.
- The **printCircle** method invokes the **__str__()** method to obtain properties defined in the superclass.
- super().__init__() calls the superclass's __init__ method. This is necessary to create data fields defined in the superclass.

Is-a relationship



- ▶ Inheritance models the is-a relationships.
- ► For example:
 - A circle is a geometric object.
 - ▶ A car is a vehicle
 - A student is a person
 - ► An apple is a fruit
 - A cheetah is an animal

Multiple Inheritance



- Python allows you to derive a subclass from several classes. This capability is known as multiple inheritance.
- ► To define a class derived from multiple classes, use the following syntax:

```
class Subclass(SuperClass1, SuperClass2, ...):
initializer
methods
```

Overriding Methods



- A subclass inherits methods from a superclass. Sometimes it is necessary for the subclass to modify the implementation of a method defined in the superclass. This is referred to as method overriding.
- To override a method, the method must be defined in the subclass using the same header as in its superclass.
- Example:
 - The <u>str</u> method in the <u>GeometricObject</u> class returns the string describing a geometric object. This method can be overridden to return the string describing a circle. To override it, add the following new method in Circle.py

Override method __str__ in Circle and Rectangle



```
class Circle(GeometricObject):
    # Other methods are omitted
    # Override the __str__ method defined in
    # GeometricObject
    def __str__(self):
        return super().__str__() + " radius: " + str(self.__radius)
```

```
class Rectangle(GeometricObject):
# Other methods are omitted
# Override the __str__ method defined in
# GeometricObject
def __str__(self):
    return super().__str__() + " width: " + str(self.__width) + "
height: " + str(self.__height)
```

Private Method



- You can define a private method in Python by adding two underscores in front of a method name.
- A private method cannot be overridden.
- If a method defined in a subclass is private in its superclass, the two methods are completely unrelated, even though they have the same name.

The object class



- ▶ Every class in Python is descended from the **object** class.
- ▶ The **object** class is defined in the Python library.
- If no inheritance is specified when a class is defined, its superclass is **object** by default.
- For example, the following two class definitions are the same



The object class



- It is important to be familiar with the methods provided by the **object** class so that you can use them in your classes.
- All methods defined in the **object** class are special methods with two leading underscores and two trailing underscores.

Polymorphism and Dynamic Binding



- Polymorphism means that an object of a subclass can be passed to a parameter of a superclass type.
- A method may be implemented in several classes along the inheritance chain. Python decides which method is invoked at runtime. This is known as dynamic binding
- A subclass is a specialization of its superclass; every instance of a subclass is also an instance of its superclass, but not vice versa.
- For example, every circle is a geometric object, but not every geometric object is a circle.
- Therefore, you can always pass an instance of a subclass to a parameter of its superclass type

Example:

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```
from Circle import Circle
from Rectangle import Rectangle
def displayObject (g):
def isSameArea (g1,g2):
    return g1.getArea() == g2.getArea()
c = Circle (2)
r = Rectangle (3, 2)
displayObject (c)
displayObject (r)
print ("Circle and Rectangle has a same Area ? : ", isSameArea(c,r))
```

```
color = green and filled = True
color = green and filled = True
Circle and Rectangle has a same Area ? : False
```

Polymorphism



- The displayObject method takes a parameter of the GeometricObject type.
- You can invoke displayObject by passing any instance of GeometricObject (for example, Circle(4) and Rectangle(1, 3)).
- An object of a subclass can be used wherever its superclass object is used. This is commonly known as polymorphism (from a Greek word meaning "many forms").

Dynamic Binding



- In the example, c is an object of the Circle class.

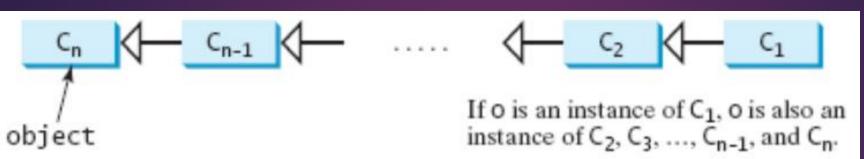
 Circle is a subclass of GeometricObject
- The __str__() method is defined in both classes. So which __str__() method is invoked by g in the displayObject?
- The __str__() method invoked by g is determined using dynamic binding

Dynamic Binding



- Dynamic binding works as follows:
 - Suppose an object o is an instance of classes C_1 , C_2 , ..., C_{n-1} , and C_n , where C_1 is a subclass of C_2 , C_2 is a subclass of C_3 , ..., and C_{n-1} is a subclass of C_n . That is, C_n is the most general class, and C_1 is the most specific class. In Python, C_n is the object class.
 - If **o** invokes a method **p**, Python searches the implementation for the method **p** in C_1 , C_2 , ..., C_{n-1} , and C_n , in this order, until it is found.
 - Once an implementation is found, the search stops and the first-found implementation is invoked.

Dynamic Binding





```
Class Student:
    def str (self):
       return "Student"
    def printStudent(self):
       print (self. str ())
Class GraduateStudent(Student):
   def str (self):
       return "Graduate Student"
a = Student()
b = GraduateStudent()
a.printStudent()
b.printStudent()
```

```
Student
Graduate Student
```

The isinstance function



► The **isinstance** function can be used to determine whether an object is an instance of a class. Its syntax:

```
isinstance (object, ClassName)
```

Example

```
>>> isinstance("abc",str)
True
>>> isinstance(3,int)
True
>>> isinstance(3,str)
False
>>> from lab09drawShape import Circle
>>> c1 = Circle()
>>> isinstance(c1, Circle)
True
```

The isinstance function



- Suppose you want to modify the displayObject function from the program Test.py to perform the following tasks:
 - Display the area and perimeter of a GeometricObject instance.
 - Display the diameter if the instance is a Circle, and the width and height if the instance is a Rectangle.
- Consider the following example. Invoking displayObject(c) passes c to g. g is now an instance of Circle. The program displays the circle's diameter. Invoking displayObject(r) passes r to g. g is now an instance of Rectangle. The program displays the rectangle's width and height.

The isinstance Function

```
from Circle import Circle
from Rectangle import Rectangle
def displayObject(q):
    print ("Area is : ", g.getArea())
    print ("Perimeter is : ", g.getPerimeter())
    if isinstance(q, Circle):
         print ("Diameter is :"+ str (g.getDiamater()))
         print ("Width is :"+str (g.getWidth()))
         print ("Heigth is :"+ str (g.getHeight()))
c = Circle (2)
displayObject(c)
displayObject(r)
```



Area is : 12.566370614359172

Perimeter is: 12.566370614359172

Diameter is :4

Area is: 6

Perimeter is: 10

Width is :3

Heigth is :2

Exercise



What is the output of this program below?

```
class Person:
    def getInfo(self):
        return "Person"
    def printPerson(self):
        print(self.getInfo())
class Student(Person):
    def getInfo(self):
        return "Student"
Person().printPerson()
Student().printPerson()
```

```
class Person:
   def __getInfo(self):
       return "Person"
   def printPerson(self):
        print(self.__getInfo())
class Student(Person):
   def __getInfo(self):
       return "Student"
Person().printPerson()
Student().printPerson()
```

Example FigureCanvas Class

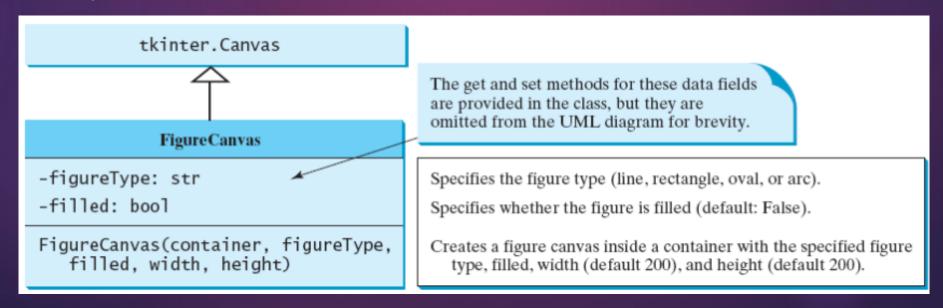


- ► This case study develops the Figure Canvas class for displaying various figures.
- The Figure Canvas class enables the user to set the figure type, specify whether the figure is filled, and display the figure on a canvas.
- The UML diagram for the class, which can display lines, rectangles, ovals, and arcs, is shown in the next slide.
- The figureType property decides which figure to display. If the filled property is True, the rectangle, oval, or arc is filled with a color.

Example: FigureCanvas Class



- The UML diagram serves as the contract for the FigureCanvas class.
- The user can use the class without knowing how the class is implemented
- The program in the next slide uses the class to display seven figures in a panel.



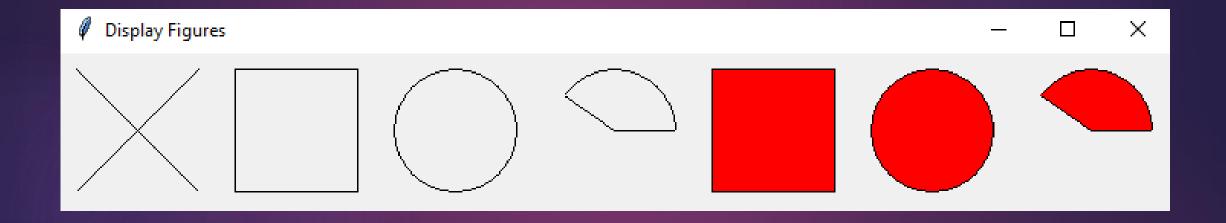
Example: Figure Canvas Class



- ► The Figure Canvas class extends the Canvas widget. Thus, a Figure Canvas is a canvas, and you can use Figure Canvas just like a canvas.
- You can construct a **FigureCanvas** by specifying the container, figure type, whether the figure is filled, and the canvas width and height.
- The FigureCanvas class's initializer invokes the Canvas initializer, sets the data field's figureType and filled properties, and invokes the drawFigure method to draw a figure.
- ► The drawFigure method draws a figure based on the figureType and filled properties.
- The methods line, rectangle, oval, and arc draw lines, rectangles, ovals, and arcs.

FigureCanvas





Example: Figures Canvas Class



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```
from tkinter import * # Import tkinter
class FigureCanvas(Canvas):
   def init (self, container, figureType, filled = False, width = 100,
height = 100):
       super(). init (container, width = width, height = height)
       self. figureType = figureType
       self. filled = filled
       self.drawFigure()
   def getFigureType(self):
       return self. figureType
   def getFilled(self):
       return self. filled
   def setFigureType(self, figureType):
       self. figureType = figureType
       self.drawFigure()
   def setFilled(self, filled):
       self. filled = filled
       self.drawFigure()
```

Example: Figures Canvas Class

```
def drawFigure(self):
    if self. figureType == "line":
        self.line()
    elif self. figureType == "rectangle":
        self.rectangle()
    elif self. figureType == "oval":
        self.oval()
    elif self. figureType == "arc":
        self.arc()
def line(self):
    width = int(self["width"])
    height = int(self["height"])
    self.create line(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10)
    self.create line(width - 10, 10, 10, height - 10)
def rectangle(self):
    width = int(self["width"])
    height = int(self["height"])
    if self. filled:
        self.create rectangle(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10, fill = "red")
    else:
        self.create rectangle(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10)
```



Example: Figures Canvas Class



```
def oval(self):
      width = int(self["width"])
      height = int(self["height"])
      if self. filled:
          self.create oval(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10, fill = "red")
      else:
          self.create oval(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10)
   def arc(self):
      width = int(self["width"])
      height = int(self["height"])
      if self. filled:
          self.create arc(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10, start = 0, extent = 145,
fill = "red")
      else:
          self.create arc(10, 10, width - 10, height - 10, start = 0, extent = 145)
```

Example: Display Figures Class

```
#DisplayFigures.py
from tkinter import *
from FigureCanvas import FigureCanvas
class DisplayFigures:
    def init (self):
        window = Tk() # Create a window
        window.title("Display Figures") # Set title
        figure1 = FigureCanvas(window, "line", width=100, height=100)
        figure1.grid(row = 1, column = 1)
        figure2 = FigureCanvas(window, "rectangle", False, 100, 100)
        figure 2.grid (row = 1, column = 2)
        figure3 = FigureCanvas(window, "oval", False, 100, 100)
        figure3.grid(row = 1, column = 3)
        figure4 = FigureCanvas(window, "arc", False, 100, 100)
        figure4.grid(row = 1, column = 4)
        figure5 = FigureCanvas(window, "rectangle", True, 100, 100)
        figure 5. grid (row = 1, column = 5)
        figure6 = FigureCanvas(window, "oval", True, 100, 100)
        figure 6. qrid(row = 1, column = 6)
        figure7 = FigureCanvas(window, "arc", True, 100, 100)
        figure 7. grid(row = 1, column = 7)
        window.mainloop() # Create an event loop
DisplayFigures() # Create GUI
```

