DESKTOP GUI

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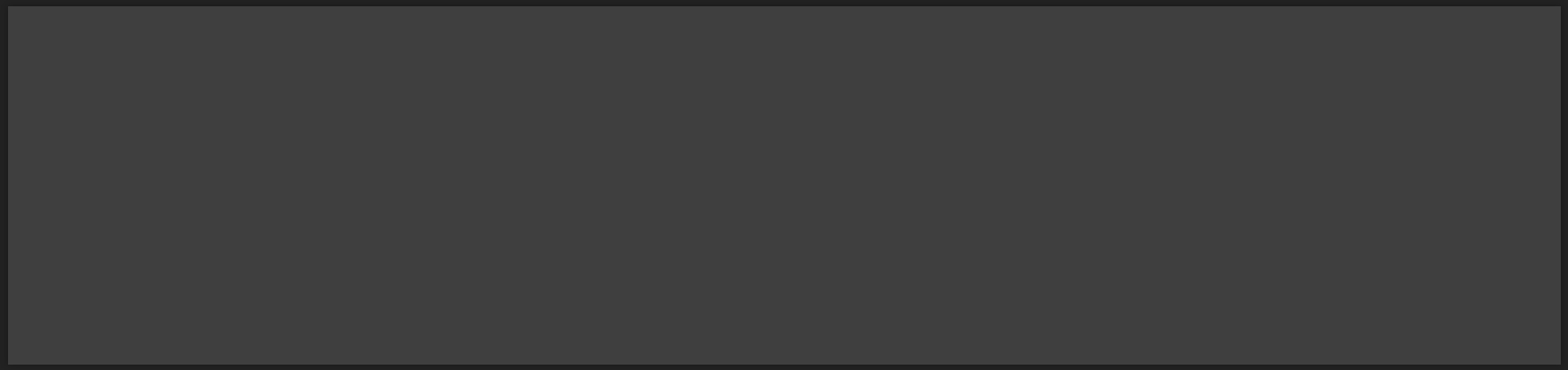

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HOW THE HIERARCHY LOOKS IN (PSEUDO)CODE?

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window = Window()
row = Row()                          # widget container
row.add(Button("Click me!"))   # add widgets to container
row.add(Label("Hello world"))
window.add(row)
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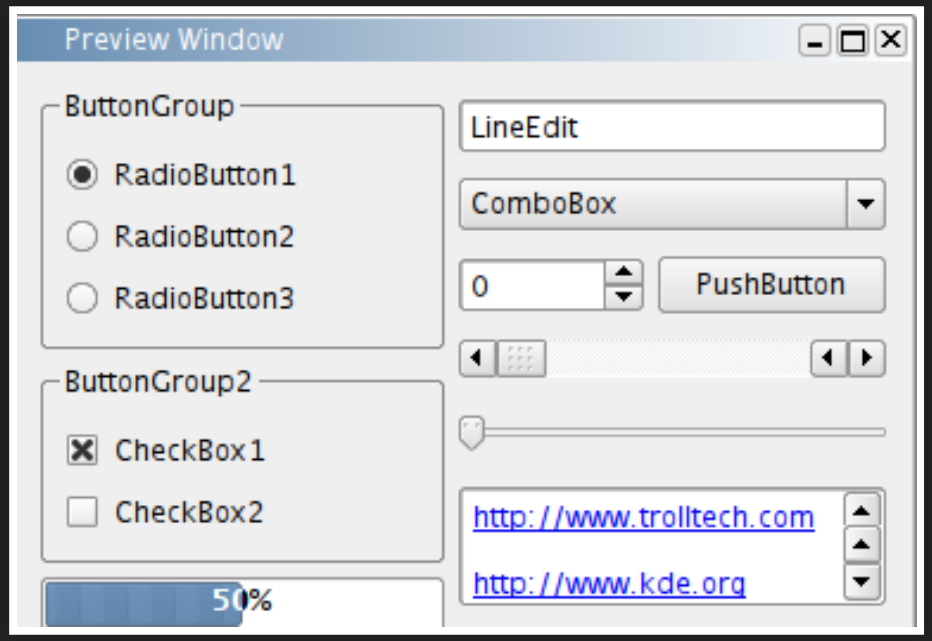
TYPICAL WIDGETS



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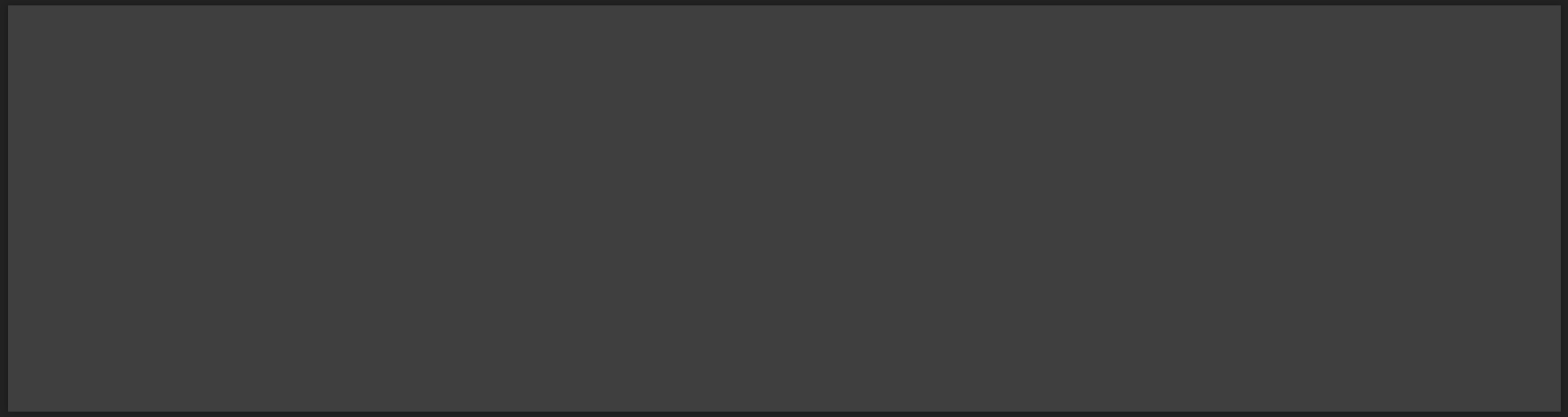

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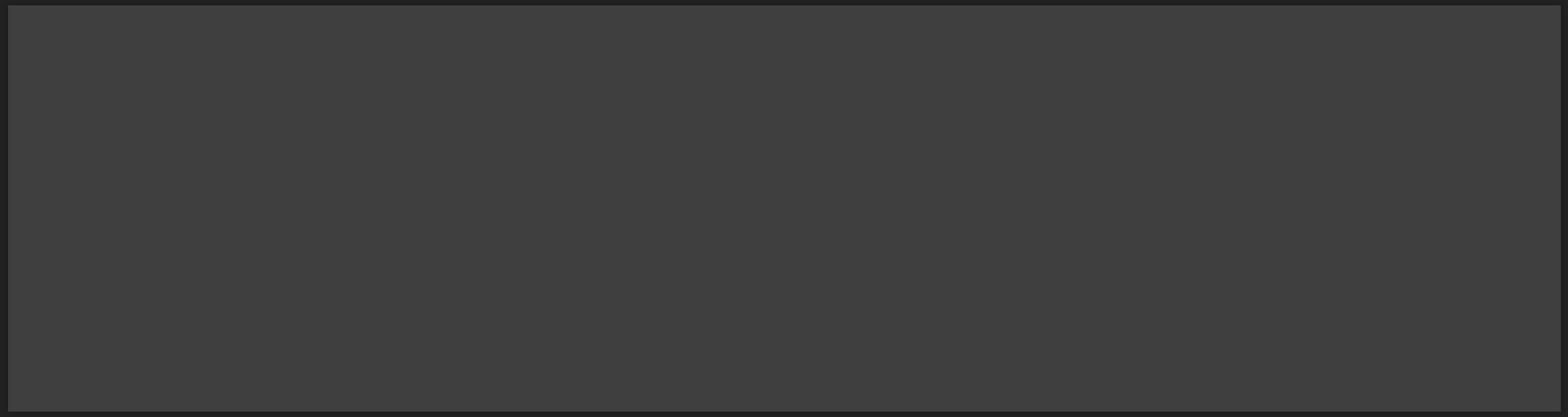

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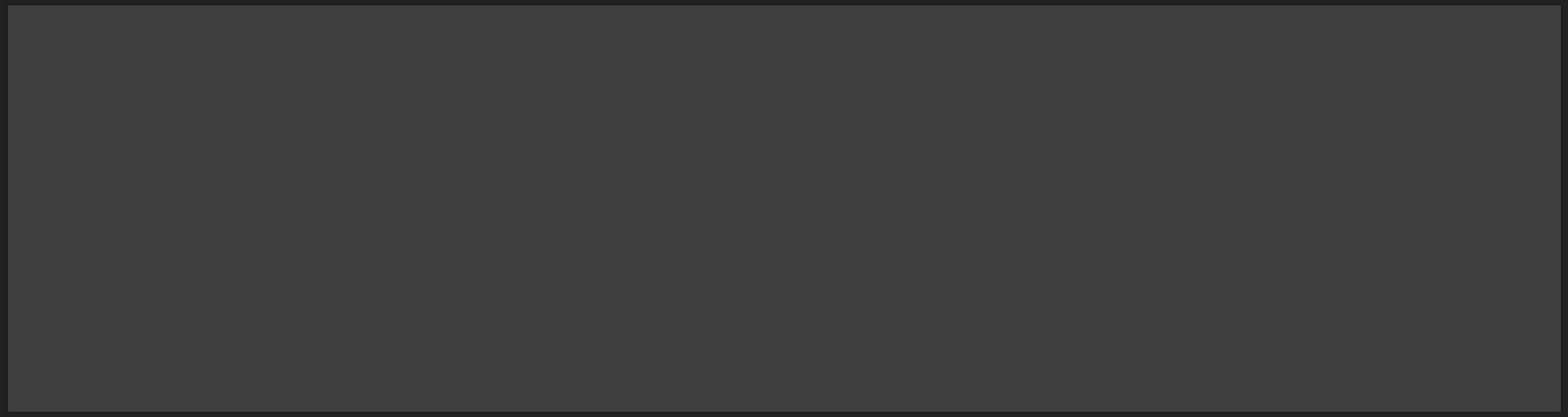

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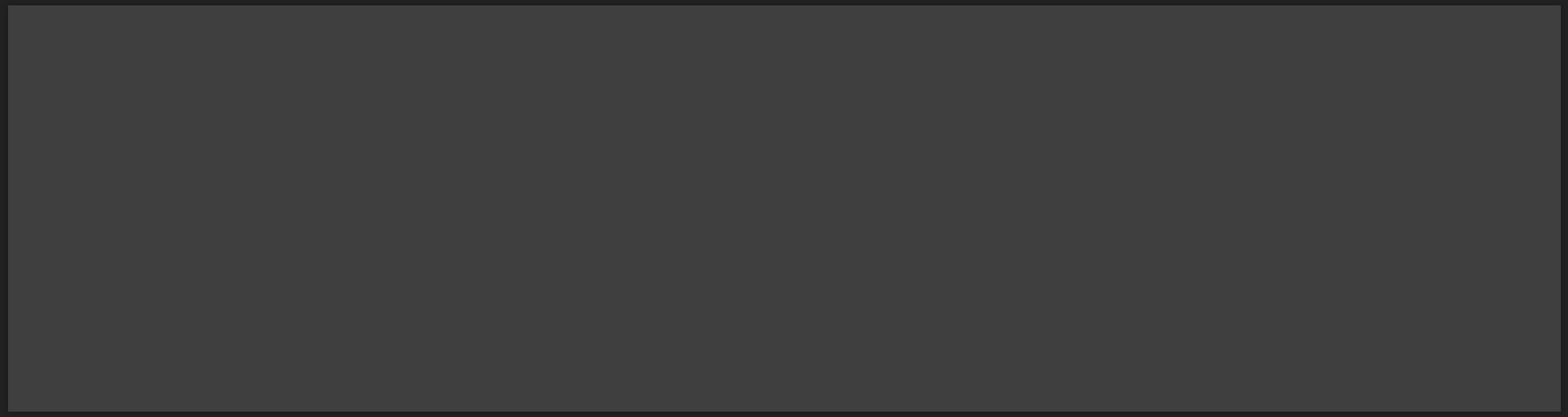

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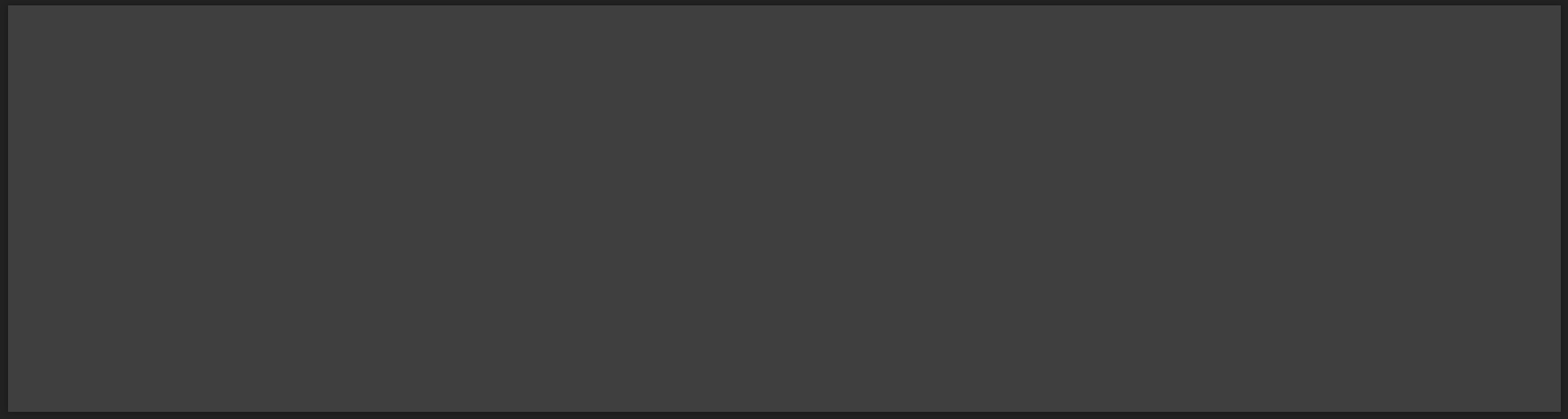

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- GTK (C++, Python, cross-platform)
- WxWidgets (C++, Python, cross-platform)
- Tcl/Tk (Python, Perl, Ruby, cross-platform)
- WinForms/WPF (C#, Windows)
- AWT/Swing/SWT/JavaFX (Java, cross-platform)
- Cocoa (Objective C, OS X/iOS)
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- and many others...

- Qt has some licensing problems
- we will use Qt 5 with Python binding PySide 2 (it's free)

```
$ pip install pyside2
```

MINIMAL QT APP

```
from PySide2.QtWidgets import QApplication, QPushButton

app = QApplication()
button = QPushButton("Hi!")
button.show()    # tells the button to be visible
app.exec_()      # start the GUI loop
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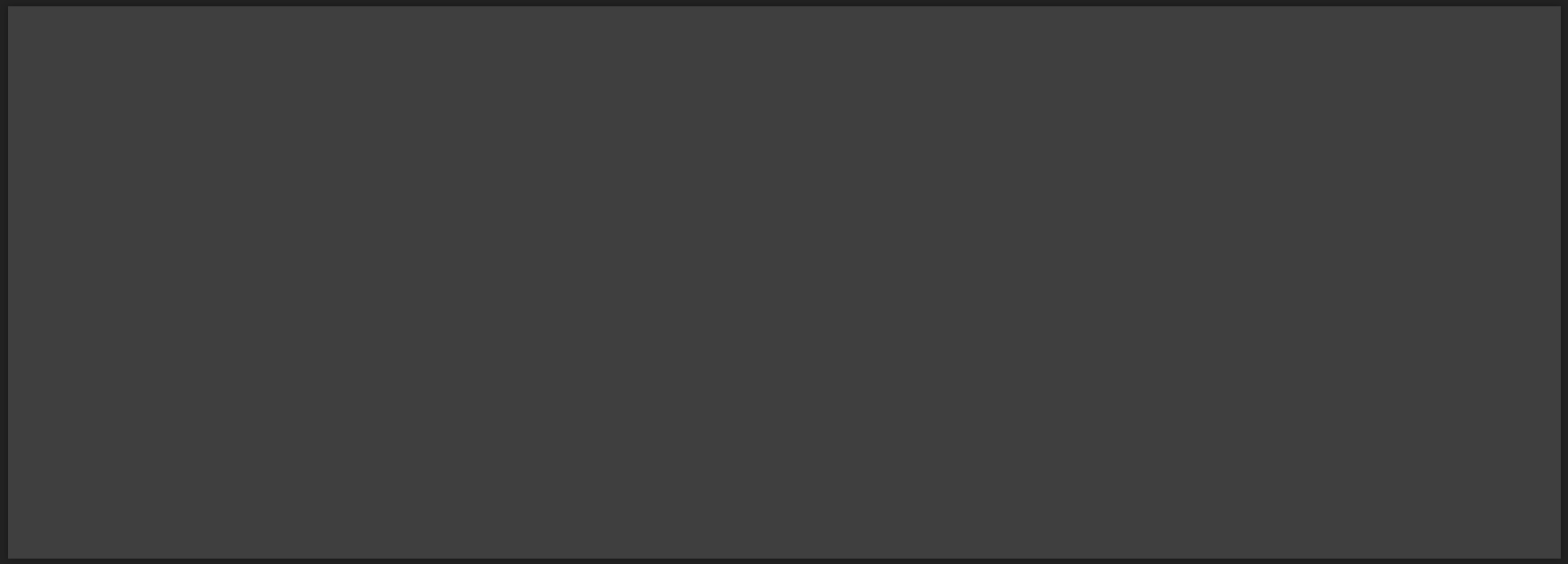

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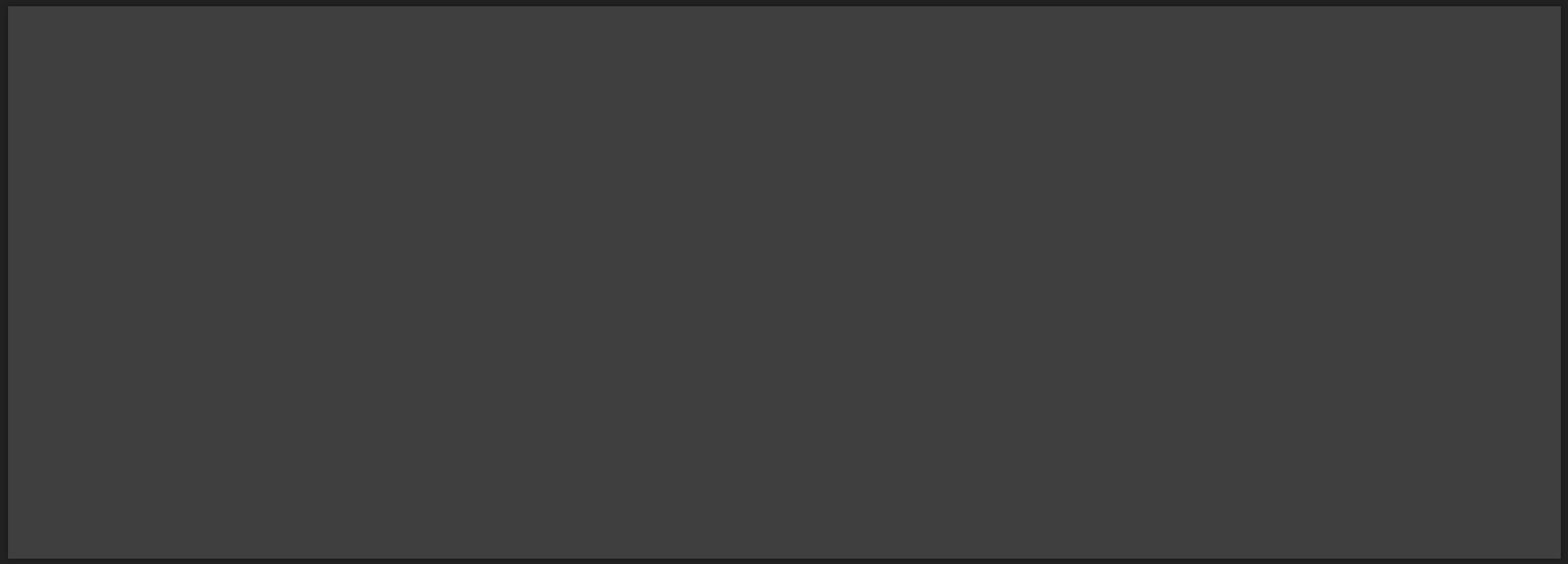

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counter.add_like()     # widget is refreshed automatically
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class MyWidget(QWidget):
  def paintEvent(self, *args, **kwargs):
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  def __init__(self, game):
    self.game = game
    self.game.set_on_move_listener(lambda: self.redraw())
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