Laboratory Activity No. 9	
Introduction to GUI Development using Pycharm	
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1. Objective(s):

This activity aims to familiarize students with the Pycharm framework for GUI Development

2. Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs):

The students should be able to:
2.1 Identify the main components in a GUI Application
2.2 Create a simple GUI Application using Pycharm Widgets

3. Discussion:

A Graphical User Interface (GUI) application is a program that the user can interact with through graphics (windows, buttons, text fields, checkboxes, images, icons, etc..) such as the Desktop GUI of Windows OS by using a mouse and keyboard unlike with a Command-line program or Terminal program that support keyboard inputs only.

Pycharm is an integrated development environment used for programming in Python. It provides code analysis, a graphical debugger, an integrated unit tester, integration with version control systems, and supports web development with Django.

4. Materials and Equipment:

Desktop Computer with Anaconda Python or Pycharm
Windows Operating System

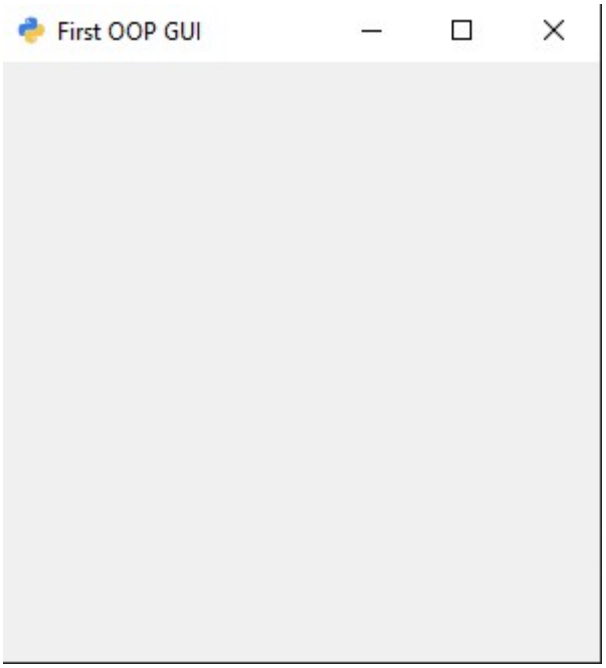
5. Procedure:

```python
import sys
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import QMainWindow, QApplication
from PyQt5.QtGui import QIcon

class App(QMainWindow):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__() # initializes the main window like in the previous one
        # window = QMainWindow()
        self.title= "First OOP GUI"
        self.initUI()

    def initUI(self):
        self.setWindowTitle(self.title)
        self.setGeometry(200,200,300,300)
        self.setWindowIcon(QIcon('pythonico.ico')) # sets an icon
        self.show()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    Main = App()
    sys.exit(app.exec_())

```

2. Run the program and observe the output.

Adding an icon

3. Download any .ico picture from https://icon-icons.com/ or any similar sites.
4. Place the icon in your folder (ex. Oopfa1<lastname>_lab8)
5. Run the program again, the program should now have an icon similar to the program below.



Creating Buttons

1. Create a new .py file named **gui_buttons.py** then copy the program as shown below:

```python
import sys
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import QWidget,QApplication, QMainWindow, QPushButton
from PyQt5.QtGui import QIcon

class App(QWidget):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__() # initializes the main window like in the previous one
        # window = QMainWindow()
        self.title= "PyQt Button"
        self.x=200 # or left
        self.y=200 # or top
        self.width=300
        self.height=300
        self.initUI()

    def initUI(self):
        self.setWindowTitle(self.title)
        self.setGeometry(self.x,self.y,self.width,self.height)
        self.setWindowIcon(QIcon('pythonico.ico'))

        # In GUI Python, these buttons, textboxes, labels are called Widgets
        self.button = QPushButton('Click me!', self)
        self.button.setToolTip("You've hovered over me!")
        self.button.move(100,70)  # button.move(x,y)

        self.show()


if __name__ == '__main__':
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    ex = App()
    sys.exit(app.exec_())
```

2. Run the program and observe the output.
3. Add a new button named button2 named Register to the GUI that will display “this button does nothing.. yet..” when it is hovered.

Creating Text Fields

1. Create a new file named **gui_text.py** and copy the code shown below:

```python
import sys
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import QWidget,QApplication, QMainWindow, QPushButton
from PyQt5.QtGui import QIcon

class App(QWidget):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__() # initializes the main window like in the previous one
        # window = QMainWindow()
        self.title= "PyQt Line Edit"
        self.x=200 # or left
        self.y=200 # or top
        self.width=300
        self.height=300
        self.initUI()

    def initUI(self):
        self.setWindowTitle(self.title)
        self.setGeometry(self.x,self.y,self.width,self.height)
        self.setWindowIcon(QIcon('pythonico.ico'))

        # Create textbox
        self.textbox = QLineEdit(self)
        self.textbox.move(20, 20)
        self.textbox.resize(280,40)

        self.show()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    ex = App()
    sys.exit(app.exec_())
```

2. Run the program and observe the error.
3. Add an import QLineEdit to the Pycharm.Widgets import
4. Run the program and observe the output.
5. Add the following code below self.textbox.resize()

```python
self.textbox.setText("Set this text value")
```

4. Run the program again then resize the textbox so that it fits in the Window and that its height is just above the written text's height.

Creating Labels

1. Create a new file called **gui_labels.py** and copy the following code below:

```python
import sys
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import QWidget,QApplication, QMainWindow, QPushButton, QLineEdit
from PyQt5.QtGui import QIcon

class App(QWidget):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__() # initializes the main window like in the previous one
        # window = QMainWindow()
        self.title= "PyQt Line Edit"
        self.x=200 # or left
        self.y=200 # or top
        self.width=300
        self.height=300
        self.initUI()

    def initUI(self):
        self.setWindowTitle(self.title)
        self.setGeometry(self.x,self.y,self.width,self.height)
        self.setWindowIcon(QIcon('pythonico.ico'))

        self.textboxlbl = QLabel("Hello World! ",self)
        self.textboxlbl.move(30,25)

        self.show()
if __name__ == '__main__':
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    ex = App()
    sys.exit(app.exec_())

```

2. Run the program and observe the output.
3. Add the necessary Widget at the import line to make the program run.
4. Center the label by adjusting the parameters of .move(). This is called Absolute Positioning.
5. Create a new label called “This program is written in Pycharm” and place it at the center and below the Hello World!

6. Supplementary Activity:

Task

Create an Object-Oriented GUI Application for a simple Account Registration System with the following required information: first name, last name, username, password, email address, contact number.

Requirements:

- The GUI must be centered on your screen.
- The GUI Components should be organized according to the order of information required using Absolute Positioning.
- The position of the components should be automatically computed based on the top component.
- All the text fields should be accompanied with their corresponding label on the left side while the text field is on the right side.
- There should a program title other than the Window Title.
- There should be a submit button and clear button at the bottom (submit button on the left, clear button on the right).
- The program should be launched on **main.py** while the GUI Codes should be on a separate file called **registration.py**

Questions

1. What are the common GUI Applications that general end-users such as home users, students, and office employees use? (give at least 3 and describe each)

   Web Browsers – These applications allow users to access and navigate websites with graphical buttons, menus, and multimedia integration.
   Word Processors – Used for creating and editing documents with rich formatting, embedded media, and user-friendly interfaces.
   Media Players – Help users play audio and video files with playback controls, playlists, and visualizations.

2. Based from your answer in question 1, why do you think home users, students, and office employees use those GUI programs?

   They are easy to use, allowing users to navigate and perform tasks without needing programming knowledge. These programs enhance productivity, entertainment, and communication by simplifying interactions with computers.

3. How does Pycharm help developers in making GUI applications, what would be the difference if developers made GUI programs without GUI Frameworks such as Pycharm or Tkinter?

   Without GUI frameworks, developers would need to manually design the graphical components

4. What are the different platforms a GUI program may be created and deployed on? (Three is required then state why might a program be created on that specific platform)

   Windows – Used for enterprise software, gaming, and productivity applications; preferred for compatibility with a broad range of applications.
   Linux – Chosen for open-source development, server applications, and programming tools due to its flexibility and customization.
   MacOS – Often used for media production and design, providing a polished interface and optimized performance for creative applications.

5. What is the purpose of **app = QApplication(sys.argv)**, **ex = App()**, and **sys.exit(app.exec_())**?

   QApplication(sys.argv) initializes the application instance that manages GUI event handling.
   - ex = App()creates an instance of the GUI class, which displays the interface.
   - sys.exit(app.exec_()) starts the application event loop and ensures it runs until the user exits.

7. Conclusion:

This activity provided valuable insight into GUI development using PyCharm and PyQt. it became an engaging experience as I explored GUI components like windows, buttons, and text fields. Writing code reinforced my understanding of object-oriented programming. PyQt's flexibility highlighted Python's potential for creating functional, user-friendly applications. Overall, this strengthened my programming skills and broadened my perspective on software development, inspiring me to further refine my GUI development abilities.

8. Assessment Rubric: