GUI

- Programming Paradigms
- Event-Based tkinter Widgets
- Designing GUIs

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Packing widgets

Method pack () specifies the placement of the widget within its master



Option Description

side LEFT, RIGHT, TOP, BOTTOM, fill 'both', 'x', 'y', or 'none'

True or False

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expand

```
from tkinter import Tk, Label, PhotoImage, BOTTOM,
LEFT, RIGHT, RIDGE
root = Tk()
text = Label(root,
            font=('Helvetica', 16, 'bold italic'),
             foreground='white',
             background='black',
             pady=10, padx=25
             text='Peace begins with a smile.')
text.pack(side=BOTTOM)
peace = PhotoImage(file='peace.gif')
peaceLabel = Label(root,
                  borderwidth=3,
                   relief=RIDGE,
                   image=peace)
peaceLabel.pack(side=LEFT)
smiley = PhotoImage(file='smiley.gif')
smileyLabel = Label(root,
                   image=smiley)
smileyLabel.pack(side=RIGHT)
root.mainloop()
                                      smileyPeace.py
```

Arranging widgets into a grid

Method grid() is used to place widgets in a grid format



Options

column columnspan

row

rowspan

pack() and grid() use different algorithms to place widgets within a master; You must use one or the other for all widgets with the same master.

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Do you solve problems by just jumping in, willing to ignore the experience and wisdom of those that may have programmed solutions to problems very similar to yours? We learn from the past. Our ancestors discovered and invented ways of programming that we know call paradigms. We benefit from the knowledge they left us, even as we strive to create new paradigms ourselves.

PROGRAMMING PARADIGMS

Programming Language Paradigms

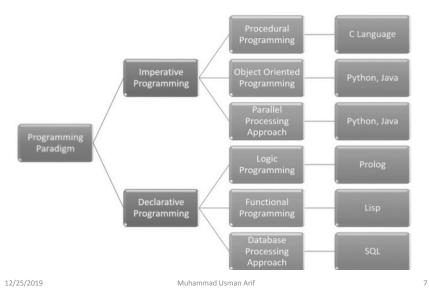
- A programming paradigm is a paradigmatic style of programming (compare with a methodology which is a paradigmatic style of doing software engineering).
- A programming paradigm provides (and determines) the view that the programmer has of the execution of the program.
- The relationship between programming paradigms and programming languages can be complex since a programming language can support multiple paradigms.

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Imperative and Declarative

- Imperative programming is a programming paradigm that uses statements that change a program's state.
- Declarative programming is a programming paradigm ... that expresses the logic of a computation without describing its control flow.

Programming Language Paradigms



Imperative

- Procedural

- · Characterized by sequential instructions
- A program in which statements are grouped into a hierarchy of subprograms
- Fortran, C, C++

- Object-oriented model

- Program consists of a set of objects and the interactions among the objects
- Python, Java, Smalltalk, Simula

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Declarative

Functional

- Based on the mathematical concept of a function
- Lisp, Scheme, and ML

- Logic

- Based on principles of symbolic logic
- Types of statements
 - declares facts about objects and relationships
 - defines rules about objects
 - asks questions about objects
- PROLOG

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PROLOG

- · Pets to owners
 - owns(mary,bo).
 - owns(ann,kitty).
 - owns(bob,riley).
 - owns(susy,charlie).
 - ?-owns(mary,bo)
 - yes
 - ?-owns(bo,mary)
 - no
 - ?-owns(susy,bo)
 - no





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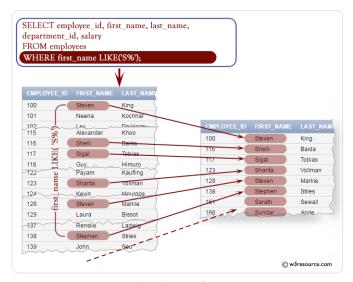
PROLOG

- · ?-owns(ann, Cat).
- Cat = kitty
- · ?-owns(Name,charlie).
- Name = susy

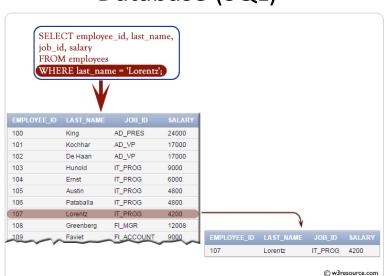
Upper case is variable; lower case is constant

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Database (SQL)



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Database (SQL)

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Event-driven programming

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When a GUI is started with the mainloop () method call, Python starts an infinite loop called an event loop

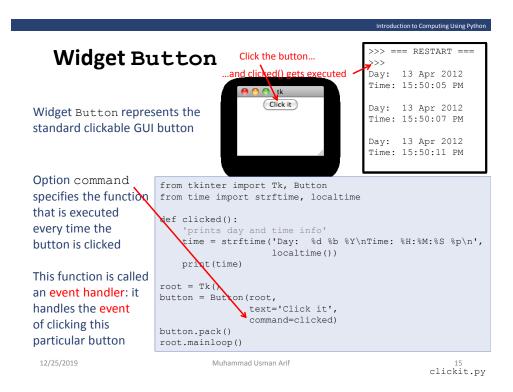
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while True:

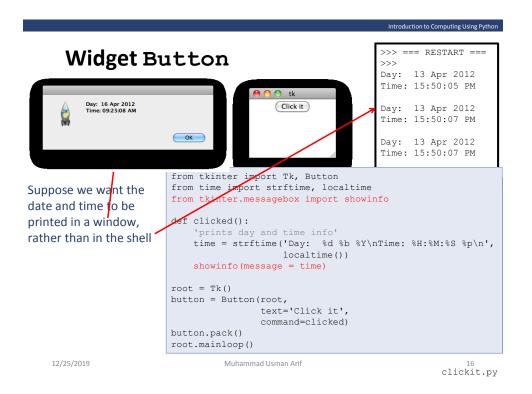
1. wait for an event to occur

2. run the associated event handler
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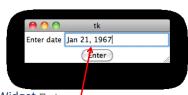
Event-driven programming is the programming approach used to build applications whose execution flow is determined by events and described using an event loop

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Widget Entry



Jan 21, 1967 was a Saturday

Widget Entry represents the single-line text entry/display form

To illustrate it, let's build an app that takes a date and prints the day of the week corresponding to the date

Event handler compute () should:

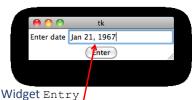
- 1. Read the date from entry dateEnt
- 2. Compute the weekday corresponding to the date
- 3. Display the weekday message in a pop-up window
- Erase the date from entry dateEnt (to make it easier to enter another date)

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represents the single-line text entry/display form

To illustrate it, let's build an app that takes a date and prints the day of the week corresponding to the date

```
def compute():
    # implement this

root = Tk()

label = Label(root, text='Enter date')
label.grid(row=0, column=0)

dateEnt = Entry(root)
dateEnt.grid(row=0, column=1)

button = Button(root, text='Enter', command=compute)
button.grid(row=1, column=0, columnspan=2)

root.mainloop()
```

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Widget Entry

day.py

from tkinter import Tk, Button, Entry, Label, END

button = Button(root, text='Enter', command=compute)

def compute():
 global dateEnt # dateEnt is a global variable
 date = dateEnt.get()
 weekday = strftime('%A', strptime(date, '%b %d, %Y'))
 showinfo(message = '{} was a {}'.format(date, weekday))
 dateEnt.delete(0, END)

root = Tk()

label = Label(root, text='Enter date')
label.grid(row=0, column=0)

dateEnt = Entry(root)
dateEnt.grid(row=0, column=1)

from time import strptime, strftime from tkinter.messagebox import showinfo

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    weekday = strftime('%A', strptime(date, '%b %d, %Y'))
    showinfo(message = '{} was a {}'.format(date, weekday))
    dateEnt.delete(0, END)
...
dateEnt = Entry(root)
dateEnt.grid(row=0, column=1)
...
```

Method	Description
e.get()	return string in entry e
e.insert(idx, text)	insert text into entry e starting at index idx
e.delete(from, to)	delete text from index from to index to inside entry e



erases the entry box.

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Exercise

```
from tkinter import Tk, Button, Entry, Label, END
from time import strptime, strftime
from tkinter.messagebox import showinfo
def compute():
   global dateEnt # dateEnt is a global variable
   date = dateEnt.get()
    weekday = strftime('%A', strptime(date, '%b %d, %Y'))
   dateEnt.insert(0, weekday + ' ')
def clear():
   global dateEnt # dateEnt is a global variable
    dateEnt.delete(0, END)
root = Tk()
label = Label(root, text='Enter date')
label.grid(row=0, column=0)
dateEnt = Entry(root)
dateEnt.grid(row=0, column=1)
button = Button(root, text='Enter', command=compute)
button.grid(row=1, column=0)
button = Button(root, text='Clear', command=clear)
button.grid(row=1, column=1)
Muhammad Usman Arif root.mainloop()
                                                        22
```

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Widget Text

We use a Text widget to develop an application that looks like a text editor, but "secretly" records and prints every keystroke the user types

Widget Text
represents the
multi-line text
entry/display form



>>> char = T char = ochar = pchar = space char = S char = e char = cchar = rchar = echar = t char = exclamchar = Return char = Return char = D char = 0

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Like widget Entry, it supports methods get (), insert (), delete()

• except that the index has the format row.column

Method	Description	
t.get(from, to)	return text from index from to index to in text entry t	
t.insert(idx, text)	insert text into text entry t starting at index idx	
t.delete(from, to)	delete text from index from to index to inside text entry t	

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Widget Text

We use a Text widget to develop an application that looks like a text editor, but "secretly" records and prints every keystroke the user types



In order to record every keystroke, we need to associate an event-handling function with keystrokes

Widget method bind() method "binds" (i.e., associates) an event type to an event handler. For example

text.bind('<KeyPress>', record)

binds a keystroke, described with string '<KeyPress>', within widget text to event handler record()

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Widget Text

Event-handling function record() takes as input an object of type Event; this object is created by Python when an event occurs

```
from tkinter import TK, Text, BOTH
def record (event):
    '''event handling function for key press events;
       input event is of type tkinter. Event''
   print('char = {}'.format(event.keysym)) # print key symbol
                                                     An Event object contains
root = Tk()
                                                     information about the event, such
                                                     as the symbol of the pressed key
text = Text(root,
            width=20, # set width to 20 characters
            height=5) # set height to 5 rows of characters
# Bind a key press event with the event handling function record()
text.bind('<KeyPress>', record)
                                          Keystroke events are
# widget expands if the master does
text.pack(expand=True, fill=BOTH)
                                          bound to event handling
                                          function record()
root.mainloop()
```

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Event pattern and tkinter class Event

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Туре	Description
Button	Mouse button
Return	Enter/Return key
KeyPress	Press of a keyboard key
KeyRelease	Release of a keyboard key
Motion	Mouse motion
Modifier	Description
Control	Ctrl key
Button1	Left mouse button
Button3	Right mouse button
Shift	Shift key
Detail	Description
<pre><button number=""></button></pre>	Ctrl key
<key symbol=""></key>	Left mouse button

The first argument of method bind() is the type of event we want to bind

The type of event is described by a string that is the concatenation of one or more event patterns

An event pattern has the form

<modifier-modifier-type-detail>

- <Control-Button-1>: Hitting Ctrl and the left mouse button simultaneously
- <Button-1><Button-3>: Clicking the left mouse button and then the right one
- <KeyPress-D><Return>: Hitting the keyboard key and then Return
- <Buttons1-Motion>: Mouse motion while holding left mouse button

Event pattern and tkinter class Event

The second argument of method bind() is the event handling function

The event handling function must be defined to take exactly one argument, an object of type Event, a class defined in tkinter

When an event occurs, Python will create an object of type Event associated with the event and then call the event-handling function with the Event object passed as the single argument

An Event object has many attributes that store information about the event

Event Type	Description
ButtonPress, ButtonRelease	Mouse button pressed
all	Time of event
all	x-coordinate of mouse
all	y-coordinate of mouse
KeyPress, KeyRelease	Key pressed as string
KeyPress, KeyRelease	Key pressed as Unicode number
	ButtonPress, ButtonRelease all all tell KeyPress, KeyRelease

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Exercise

In the original day.py program, the user has to click button "Enter" after typing a date in the entry box. Requiring the user to use the mouse right after typing his name using the keyboard is an inconvenience. Modify the program day.py to allow the user just to press the Enter/Return keyboard key instead of clicking the button "Enter".

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Widget Canvas

Widget Canvas represents a drawing board in which lines and other geometrical objects can be drawn



We illustrate widget Canvas by developing a pen drawing app

- the user starts the drawing of the curve by pressing the left mouse button
- the user then draws the curve by moving the mouse, while still pressing the left mouse button

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Widget Canvas

Every time the mouse is moved while pressing the left mouse button, the handler draw() is called with an Event object storing the new mouse position.

To continue drawing the curve, we need to connect this new mouse position to the previous one with a straight line.

```
from tkinter import Tk, Canvas

# event handlers begin() and draw() to be defined

root = Tk()
canvas = Canvas(root, height=100, width=150)

# bind left mouse button click event to function begin()
canvas.bind("<Button-1>", begin)

# bind mouse motion while pressing left button event
canvas.bind("<Button1-Motion>", draw)

canvas.pack()
root.mainloop()
```

We illustrate widget Canvas by developing a pen drawing app

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Widget Canvas

Therefore the previous mouse position must be stored

But where?

```
from tkinter import Tk, Canvas

# event handlers begin() and draw() to be defined

root = Tk()
x, y = 0, 0 # mouse coordinates (global variables)
canvas = Canvas(root, height=100, width=150)

# bind left mouse button click event to function begin()
canvas.bind("<Button-1>", begin)

# bind mouse motion while pressing left button event
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Widget Canvas

Therefore the previous mouse position must be stored

But where?

In global variables x and y

Handler begin () sets the initial values of x and y

Method create_line()
creates a line segment
between (x, y) and
(newx, newy)

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```
from tkinter import Tk, Canvas
def begin(event):
   global x, y
    x, y = event.x, event.y
def draw(event):
   global x, y, canvas
    newx, newy = event.x, event.y
    # connect previous mouse position to current one
   canvas.create line(x, y, newx, newy)
   # new position becomes previous
x, y = newx, newy
root = Tk()
x, y = 0, 0 \# mouse coordinates (global variables)
canvas = Canvas(root, height=100, width=150)
# bind left mouse button click event to function begin()
canvas.bind("<Button-1>", begin)
# bind mouse motion while pressing left button event
canvas.bind("<Button1-Motion>", draw)
canvas.pack()
root.mainloop()
```

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Widget Canvas

Method	Description
<pre>create_line(x1, y1, x2, y2,)</pre>	Creates line segments connecting points $(x1,y1), (x2,y2),;$ returns the ID of the item constructed
<pre>create_rectangle(x1, y1, x2, y2)</pre>	Creates a rectangle with vertexes at (x1, y1) and (x2, y2); returns the ID of the item constructed
create_oval(x1, y1, x2, y2)	Creates an oval that is bounded by a rectangle with vertexes at (x1, y1) and (x2, y2); returns the ID of the item constructed
delete(ID)	Deletes item identified with ID
move(item, dx, dy)	Moves item right dx units and down dy units

Some Canvas **methods.** Only a few methods of tkinter widget class Canvas are listed. Every object drawn in the canvas has a unique ID (which happens to be an integer).

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Widget Frame

Widget Frame is a key widget whose primary purpose is to serve as the master of other widgets and help define a hierarchical structure of the GUI and its geometry



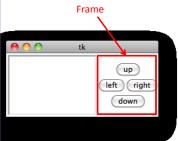
We illustrate widget Frame by developing an Etch-A-Sketch drawing app

• Pressing a button moves the pen 10 pixels in the indicated direction

To facilitate the specification of the geometry of the GUI widgets, we use a Frame widget to be the master of the 4 buttons

Widget Frame

```
from tkinter import Tk, Canvas, Frame, Button,
SUNKEN, LEFT, RIGHT
# event handlers to be defined here
root = Tk()
canvas = Canvas(root, height=100, width=150,
                relief=SUNKEN, borderwidth=3)
canvas.pack(side=LEFT)
box = Frame(root) # frame to hold the 4 buttons
box.pack(side=RIGHT)
# buttons have Frame widget as their master
button = Button(box, text='up', command=up)
button.grid(row=0, column=0, columnspan=2)
button = Button(box, text='left', command=left)
button.grid(row=1, column=0)
button = Button(box, text='right', command=right)
button.grid(row=1, column=1)
button = Button(box, text='down', command=down)
button.grid(row=2, column=0, columnspan=2)
x, y = 50, 75
                 # initial pen position
root.mainloop()
```



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Exercise

```
def up():
    'move pen up 10 pixels'
   global y, canvas
   canvas.create_line(x, y, x, y-10)
   y -= 10
def down():
   'move pen down 10 pixels'
   global y, canvas
   canvas.create_line(x, y, x, y+10)
   y += 10
def left():
   'move pen left 10 pixels'
   global x, canvas
   canvas.create_line(x, y, x-10, y)
def right():
    'move pen right 10 pixels'
   global x, canvas
   canvas.create_line(x, y, x+10, y)
   x += 10
```

Implement the 4 event handlers

Note: the x coordinates increase from left to right, while the y coordinates increase from top to bottom