# Tkinter GUI

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## A basic app

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import ttk
# Pre-define some defaults
FONT_LARGE = ("Arial", 48)
class AppWindow():
    def __init__(self, parent):
       # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x200")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Create a text label and place it in the window
        self.hello_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="Hello world!",
font=FONT_LARGE)
        self.hello_label.place(x=20, y=20)
if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
    app = AppWindow(root)
    root.mainloop()
```

### Labels, entry box, button

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import ttk
from tkinter import messagebox
# Pre-define some defaults
FONT_LARGE = ("Arial", 48)
class AppWindow():
    def __init__(self, parent):
        # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x200")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Create a text label
        self.question_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="What is your
name?")
        self.question_label.place(x=20, y=20)
        # Create a text entry box
        self.name_entry = tk.Entry(self.parent)
        self.name_entry.place(x=20, y=50)
        self.name_entry.focus()
                                                # Put the cursor in the
text box
        # Create a button
        self.submit_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Submit",
command=self.greetings)
        self.submit button.place(x=20, y=100)
        # Create a second button
        self.close_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Close",
command=self.parent.quit)
        self.close_button.place(x=120, y=100)
    def greetings(self):
        # This function is executed when the submit button is clicked
        # Retrieve the text from the entry box
        person = self.name_entry.get()
        # Display a message box
        messagebox.showinfo("Greetings", f"Hello {person}, welcome to
Tkinter!")
if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
    app = AppWindow(root)
    root.mainloop()
```

### Listbox, simpledialog

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import ttk
from tkinter import messagebox
from tkinter import simpledialog
# Pre-define some defaults
FONT LARGE = ("Arial", 48)
# List of items to demo listbox
items = ["Apples", "Oranges", "Bananas", "Strawberrys"]
class AppWindow():
    def init (self, parent):
        # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x250")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Create a list box
        self.list = tk.Listbox(self.parent, width=10, height=10)
width is characters, height is lines
        for item in items:
            self.list.insert(tk.END, item)
                                                                # Add each
item to the end of the list
        self.list.place(x=20, y=20)
        self.list.bind('<<ListboxSelect>>', self.list clicked) # When an
item in the list is selected, execute the list_clicked function
        self.selected = -1
                                                                # Give
`selected` a default of -1
        # Create some buttons
        self.add_to_top_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Add an item
to top of list", command=self.add_to_top_clicked)
        self.add_to_top_button.place(x=140, y=20)
        self.add_to_end_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Add an item
to end of list", command=self.add_to_end_clicked)
        self.add_to_end_button.place(x=140, y=50)
        self.close_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Delete selected")
item", command=self.delete_selected_clicked)
        self.close_button.place(x=140, y=80)
    def add_to_top_clicked(self):
        answer = simpledialog.askstring("Add item","What item would you
like to add?")
        self.list.insert(0, answer)
    def add_to_end_clicked(self):
        answer = simpledialog.askstring("Add item","What item would you
like to add?")
        self.list.insert(tk.END, answer)
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def delete_selected_clicked(self):
       if self.selected >= 0:
                                  # Check this still isn't -1
           self.list.delete(self.selected)
           self.selected = -1 # Reset back to -1
       else:
           messagebox.showerror("Error", "Can't delete the selected item
if you haven't selected anything!")
   def list_clicked(self, e):
       print(e)
       self.selected = int(self.list.curselection()[0]) # item
number selected in list
       item = self.list.get(self.selected)
                                                           # text of
selected item
       print(f"You have clicked item {self.selected} which is {item}")
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   root.mainloop()
```

### Menubar, filedialog

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import ttk
from tkinter import messagebox
from tkinter import filedialog
# Pre-define some defaults
FONT_LARGE = ("Arial", 48)
ALLOWED_FILES = (("JPEG files","*.jpg"),("PNG files","*.png"),("all
files","*.*"))
class AppWindow():
    def __init__(self, parent):
       # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x200")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Create a text label and place it in the window
        self.hello_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="Hello world!",
font=FONT_LARGE)
        self.hello label.place(x=20, y=20)
        # Create a menu bar
        menubar = tk.Menu(self.parent)
        filemenu = tk.Menu(menubar, tearoff=0)
        filemenu.add_command(label="Open file", command=self.file_open)
        filemenu.add_command(label="Save file as",
command=self.file saveas)
        filemenu.add_command(label="Set default folder",
command=self.select_folder)
        filemenu.add_separator()
        filemenu.add_command(label="Exit", command=self.parent.quit)
        helpmenu = tk.Menu(menubar, tearoff=0)
        helpmenu.add_command(label="About", command=self.about)
        menubar.add_cascade(label="File", menu=filemenu)
        menubar.add_cascade(label="Help", menu=helpmenu)
        self.parent.config(menu=menubar)
        # Intialise the default folder location
        self.default_folder = "."
    def file_open(self):
        filename =
filedialog.askopenfilename(initialdir=self.default_folder, title="Select
file", filetypes=ALLOWED_FILES)
        print(f"Open file: {filename}")
    def file_saveas(self):
        filename =
filedialog.asksaveasfilename(initialdir=self.default_folder, title="Select
file", filetypes=ALLOWED_FILES)
        print(f"Save file as: {filename}")
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def select_folder(self):
    folder = filedialog.askdirectory(initialdir=self.default_folder,
title = "Select folder containing student photos")
    self.default_folder = folder
    print(f"New default folder: {folder}")

def about(self):
    messagebox.showinfo("About", "Copyright (c) 2019 Paul
Baumgarten\nWebsite: pbaumgarten.com")

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    app = AppWindow(root)
    root.mainloop()
```

#### **Images**

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import filedialog
from PIL import Image, ImageTk
# Pre-define some defaults
FONT LARGE = ("Arial", 48)
ALLOWED_FILES = (("JPEG files","*.jpg"),("PNG files","*.png"),("all
files","*.*"))
class AppWindow():
    def __init__(self, parent):
        # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x400")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Button
        self.pick_file_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Pick an
image", command=self.show_image)
        self.pick_file_button.place(x=20,y=20)
        # Create a label reserved for displaying image later
        self.image label = tk.Label(self.parent)
        self.image_label.place(x=20, y=70, width=300, height=300)
    def show image(self):
        # Get image selection
        filename = filedialog.askopenfilename(title="Select image",
filetypes=ALLOWED_FILES)
        print(f"Opening file: {filename}")
        # Open the image file
        img = Image.open(filename)
        # (optional) resize the image
        img = img.resize((300, 300))
        # 1. Reformat the image into tk compatible form, and
        # 2. Save a copy of the image to self otherwise it will be cleared
from memory when this function closes
        self.tkimg = ImageTk.PhotoImage(img)
        # Display the image in the label
        self.image_label.configure(image=self.tkimg)
if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
    app = AppWindow(root)
    root.mainloop()
```

#### Second window

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import ttk
import time
# Pre-define some defaults
FONT LARGE = ("Arial", 48)
class LoginWindow():
    def __init__(self):
        # Secondary windows are made using tk.Toplevel()
        self.parent = tk.Toplevel()
        self.parent.geometry("400x300")
        self.parent.title("Login")
        # Labels
        self.username_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="Username:")
        self.username label.place(x=20,y=20)
        self.password_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="Password:")
        self.password_label.place(x=20,y=70)
        # Entry boxes
        self.username text = tk.Entry(self.parent)
        self.username text.place(x=100,y=20)
        self.username_text.focus()
        self.password text = tk.Entry(self.parent, show="*")
        self.password text.place(x=100,y=70)
        # Button
        self.login button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Login",
command=self.login)
        self.login_button.place(x=100,y=120)
    def login(self):
        self.userid = self.username_text.get()
        self.passwd = self.password_text.get()
        print(f"Your username is {self.userid} and password is
{self.passwd}")
        # Close the login window
        self.parent.destroy()
    def get_info(self):
        return self.userid, self.passwd
class AppWindow():
    def __init__(self, parent):
        # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x200")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Create a text label and place it in the window
        self.hello_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="Hello world!",
font=FONT LARGE)
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self.hello_label.place(x=20, y=20)
       # Create a button
       self.login_button = tk.Button(self.parent, text="Login",
command=self.login_clicked)
       self.login_button.place(x=20, y=170)
   def login_clicked(self):
       # Create login window
       login_window = LoginWindow()
       # Wait until the login window is closed
       self.parent.wait_window(login_window.parent)
        print("Finished waiting")
       uid, pwd = login_window.get_info()
        self.hello_label.configure(text=f"Hello {uid}")
if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
   app = AppWindow(root)
   root.mainloop()
```

#### **Tabs**

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import ttk
from tkinter import messagebox
class AppWindow():
    def init (self, parent):
        # Create the window
        self.parent = parent
        self.parent.geometry("400x400")
        self.parent.title("Test app")
        # Create a text label and place it in the window
        self.hello_label = tk.Label(self.parent, text="Hello world!",
font=FONT LARGE)
        self.hello_label.place(x=20, y=20)
        # Create 3 tabs
        self.tab container = tk.Frame(self.parent)
        self.tab_container.place(x=0, y=0, width=400, height=400)
        self.tabs = ttk.Notebook(self.tab_container)
        self.tab_1 = tk.Frame(self.tabs)
        self.tab 2 = tk.Frame(self.tabs)
        self.tab 3 = tk.Frame(self.tabs)
        self.tabs.bind("<<NotebookTabChanged>>", self.on_tab_selected)
        self.tabs.add(self.tab 1, text="Tab 1")
        self.tabs.add(self.tab_2, text="Tab 2")
        self.tabs.add(self.tab_3, text="Tab 3")
        self.tabs.place(x=0, y=0, height=400, width=400)
        # Content for tab 1
        self.label1 = tk.Label(self.tab_1, text="I am the content of tab
1")
        self.label1.place(x=20, y=20) # Coordinates are relative to within
the tab area
        # Content for tab 2
        self.label2 = tk.Label(self.tab_2, text="I am the content of tab
2")
        self.label2.place(x=20, y=20) # Coordinates are relative to within
the tab area
        # Content for tab 3
        self.label3 = tk.Label(self.tab_3, text="I am the content of tab
3")
        self.label3.place(x=20, y=20) # Coordinates are relative to within
the tab area
        self.close_button = tk.Button(self.tab_3, text="Close",
command=self.close_clicked)
        self.close_button.place(x=20,y=70)
    def on_tab_selected(self, e):
        selected_tab = e.widget.select()
        tab_text = e.widget.tab(selected_tab, "text")
        if tab text == "Tab 1":
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```
print("You clicked into tab 1")
if tab_text == "Tab 2":
    print("You clicked into tab 2")
if tab_text == "Tab 3":
    print("You clicked into tab 3")

def close_clicked(self):
    result = messagebox.askyesno("Confirm", message="Do you want to quit?")
    if result:
        self.parent.quit()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
    app = AppWindow(root)
    root.mainloop()
```

# Suggested resources

- https://python-textbok.readthedocs.io/en/1.0/Introduction\_to\_GUI\_Programming.html
- http://www.effbot.org/tkinterbook/grid.htm
- https://docs.python.org/3.7/library/tkinter.html
- https://www.python-course.eu/python\_tkinter.php