CS2110 Lecture 14. GUIS-Layout Spring 2016

Pick up your prelim in handback room, Gates 2016!

- 1. We may have made a mistake in grading or inputting grades.
- 2. The purpose of a test is to provide feedback about what has been taught/learned and to make adjustments for the future.

Solutions available Friday at 3PM. You may want to wait until you see solutions before asking for a regrade.

Regrade request? Fill out form, attach to prelim, put in Gates 2016

You may want to switch to S/U grade. Talk to your advisor. To get S, you need at least C-. 27 people are taking it S/U.

GUIS: Graphical User Interfaces

Their mouse had a mean time between failure of \dots a week \dots it would jam up irreparably, or ... jam up on the table-- ... It had a flimsy cord whose wires would break. Steve Jobs: "... Xerox says it can't be built for < \$400, I want a \$10 mouse that will never fail and can be mass produced, because it's going to be the primary interface of the computer ..

- Dean Hovey ... came back, "I've got some good and some bad news. Good news: we've got a new project with Apple. Bad news: I told Steve we'd design a mouse for 10 bucks."
- ... year later ... we ... filed ... and were granted a patent, on the electromechanical-optical mouse of today; ... we ended up ... [making] the mouse as invisible to people as it is today.

Steve Sachs interview on first computer with GUI: Apple Lisa (~\$10K in 1982). http://library.stanford.edu/mac/primary/interviews/sachs/trans.html

Explanation of parsing method

```
/** Return true iff the beginning of the input is an E.

Remove the processed tokens from the input.
Here is the definition of E: E → integer

                                   E \rightarrow (E + E)
public boolean parseE() {
        if (first token is an integer) remove it from input and return true;
         if (first token is not '(') return false else remove it from input;
         if (!parseE()) return false;
         if (first token is not '+') return false else remove it from input;
         if (!parseE()) return false;
        if (first token is not ')' ) return false else remove it from input;
         return true;
```

Explanation of parsing method

```
E \rightarrow integer
E \rightarrow (E + E)
```

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input: 654 + (22 + 3)
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true

```
public boolean parseE() {
```

if (first token is an integer) remove it from input and return true; if (first token is not '(') return false else remove it from input;

if (!parseE()) return false;

if (first token is not '+') return false else remove it from input; if (!parseE()) return false;

if (first token is not ')') return false else remove it from input; return true:

Explanation of parsing method

E → integer $E \rightarrow (E + E)$

input: (72 + (6+2))))) + 2

true

public boolean parseE() {

if (first token is an integer) remove it from input and return true;

if (first token is not '(') return false else remove it from input;

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if (!parseE()) return false;

if (first token is not ')') return false else remove it from input;

return true;

GUI (Graphical User Interface)

- · Provides a friendly interface between user and program
- Allows event-driven or reactive programming: The program reacts to events such as button clicks, mouse movement, keyboard input
- Often is multi-threaded: Different threads of execution can be going on simultaneously

We use Java's two packages for doing GUIs:

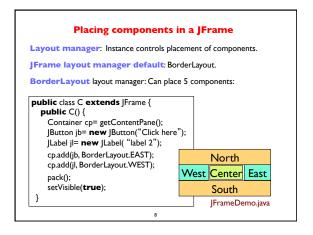
- AWT (Abstract or Awful Window Toolkit) —first one
- Swing —a newer one, which builds on AWT as much as possible

Two aspects to making a GUI:

- 1. Placing components (buttons, text, etc.) in it. TODAY
- 2. Listening/responding to events

Next Lecture

Class JFrame JFrame object: associated with a window on your monitor. Generally, a GUI is a JFrame object with various components placed in it Some methods in a JFrame object hide() show() setVisible(boolean) getX() getY() (coordinates of top-left point) getWidth() getHeight() setLocation(int, int) getTitle() setTitle(String) getLocation() setLocation(int, int) Over 100 methods in a JFrame object! Class JFrame is in package javax.swing



```
Putting components in a JFrame
import java.awt.*; import javax.swing.*;
   Demonstrate placement of components in a JFrame.
  Places five components in 5 possible areas:
(1) a JButton in the east,
(2) a JLabel in the west,
    (3) a JLabel in the south,
                                       (4) a JTextField in the north
    (5) a JTextArea in the center. */
public class ComponentExample extends JFrame {
   /** Constructor: a window with title t and 5 components */
  public ComponentExample(String t) {
                                                        Add components to
     super(t);
                                                              its contentPane
     Container cp= getContentPane(); its cp.add(new JButton("click me"), BorderLayout.EAST);
     cp.add(new JTextField("type here", 22), BorderLayout.NORTH);
    cp.add(new JCheckBox("I got up today"), BorderLayout.SOUTH); cp.add(new JLabel("label 2"), BorderLayout.WEST);
     cp.add(new JTextArea("type\nhere", 4, 10), BorderLayout.CENTER);
    pack();
                                                    ComponentExample.java
```

Packages -- Components Packages that contain classes that deal with GUIs: java.awt: Old package. javax.swing: New package. javax.swing has a better way of listening to buttons, text fields, etc. Components are more flexible. Jxxxx: in Swing, with xxxx in awt. Component: Something that can be placed in a GUI window. They are instances of certain classes, e.g. JButton, Button: JLabel, Label: Clickable button Line of text JTextField, TextField: Field into which the user can type JTextArea, TextArea: JPanel, Panel: Many-row field into which user can type Used for graphics; to contain other components JCheckBox. Checkable box with a title Menu of items, one of which can be checked Same functionality as JCheckBox Can contain other components JComboBox: JRadioButton: Container: Can contain other components

Basic Components Component Component: Something that can be Button, Canvas placed in a GUI window. These are Checkbox, Choice the basic ones used in GUIs Label, List, Scrollbar TextComponent TextField, TextArea Container Note the use of subclasses .IComponent AbstractButton to provide structure and JButton JToggleButton efficiency. For example, there are two kinds of JCheckBox JToggleButtons, so that RadioButton class has two subclasses. JLabel, JList JOptionPane, JPanel JPopupMenu, JScrollBar, JSlider JTextComponent JTextField, JTextArea

Components that can contain other components Component Box java.awt is the old GUI package. Container JComponent javax.swing is the new GUI package. .IPanel When they wanted to use an old name, Panel they put J in front of it. Applet Window (e.g. Frame and JFrame) Frame **JFrame** JWindow When constructing javax.swing, the attempt was made to rely on the old package as much as possible. So, JFrame is a subclass of Frame. But they couldn't do this with JPanel.

```
import java.awt.*; import javax.swing.*;
 /** Instance has labels in east /west, JPanel with four buttons in center. */
public class PanelDemo extends JFrame {
   JPanel p= new JPanel();
   /** Constructor: a frame with title "Panel demo", labels in east/west,
      blank label in south, JPanel of 4 buttons in the center */
   public PanelDemo() {
   super("Panel demo");
                                                                 JPanel as a
      p.add(new JButton("0")); p.add(new JButton("1"));
                                                                  container
      p.add(new JButton("2")); p.add(new JButton("3"));
      Container cp= getContentPane();
      cp.add(new Jlabel("east"), BorderLayout.EAST); cp.add(new Jlabel("west"), BorderLayout.WEST); cp.add(new Jlabel(" "), BorderLayout.SOUTH);
      cp.add(p, BorderLayout.CENTER);
      pack();
                               JPanel layout manager default: FlowLayout.
  }
                 FlowLayout layout manager: Place any number of components.
}
                They appear in the order added, taking as many rows as necessary.
```

```
import javax.swing.*; import java.awt.*;
/** Demo class Box. Comment on constructor says how frame is laid out. */
public class BoxDemo extends JFrame {
   /** Constructor: frame with title "Box demo", labels in the east/west,
      blank label in south, horizontal Box with 4 buttons in center. */
   public BoxDemo() {
                                                                Class Box: a
     super("Box demo");
                                                                  container
      Box b= new Box(BoxLayout.X_AXIS);
     b.add(new JButton("0")); b.add(new JButton("1")); b.add(new JButton("2")); b.add(new JButton("3"));
     Container cp= getContentPane();
      cp.add(new JLabel("east"), BorderLayout.EAST);
     cp.add(new JLabel("west"), BorderLayout.WEST);
cp.add(new JLabel(" "), BorderLayout.SOUTH);
     cp.add(b,
                                   BorderLayout.CENTER);
     pack();
                                   Box layout manager default: BoxLayout.
                BoxLayout layout manager: Place any number of components.
                             They appear in the order added, taking only one row.
```

```
public class BoxDemo2 extends JFrame {
/** Constructor: frame with title t and 3 columns with n, n+1, and n+2 buttons. */
public BoxDemo2(String t, int n) {
    super(t);
    // Create Box b1 with n buttons.
                                                    Boxes within a Box
        Box bl = new Box(BoxLayout.Y AXIS);
                                                     3 vertical boxes, each
        for (int i= 0; i!= n; i= i+1)
bl.add(new ]Button("I " + i));
                                                       a column of buttons,
    // Create Box b2 with n+1 buttons.
                                                                are placed in a
        Box b2= ..
                                                               horizontal box
    // Create Box h3 with n+2 huttons
    // Create horizontal box b containing b1, b2, b3
                                                               BoxLayout layout
        Box b= new Box(BoxLayout.X AXIS);
                                                                manager: Place any
        b.add(b1);
                                                          number of components.
        b.add(b2);
                                                                They appear in the
        b.add(b3):
                                                          order added, taking only
    Container cp= getContentPane(); cp.add(b, BorderLayout.CENTER);
                                                                          one row.
    pack(); show();
```

Simulate BoxLayout Manager in a JFrame

To simulate using a BoxLayout manager for a JFrame, create a Box and place it as the sole component of the JFrame:

JFrame jf= new JFrame("title"); Box b= new Box(BoxLayout.X_AXIS); Add components to b; jf.add(b,BorderLayout.CENTER);

- 1. Start developing a GUI by changing an already existing one. A lot of details. Hard to get all details right when one starts from scratch and has little idea about the Java GUI package.
- 2. Showed how to place components in a GUI. Next time: how to "listen" to things like button clicks in a GUI.

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