Interaktionsprogrammering TDDC73

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Outline

- Historic perspective
 - Where are we coming from
 - Why do things look like they do
- Course outline



Before we start

- Both at LiU and via Teams
 - Designed and planed for at LiU
 - · But will stream and record on Teams.
- Feedback from last year
 - Getting started guide to easy
 - Project easier than the lab



In the beginning there was a command line

Entire 14 inch screen devoted to a single application

Users dazzled with green on black

Users operated advanced system through natural language like syntax

And it was all good (especially for developers)

And then came the gui and it was all down hill from there (for the developers)

I do not know the word "fuck



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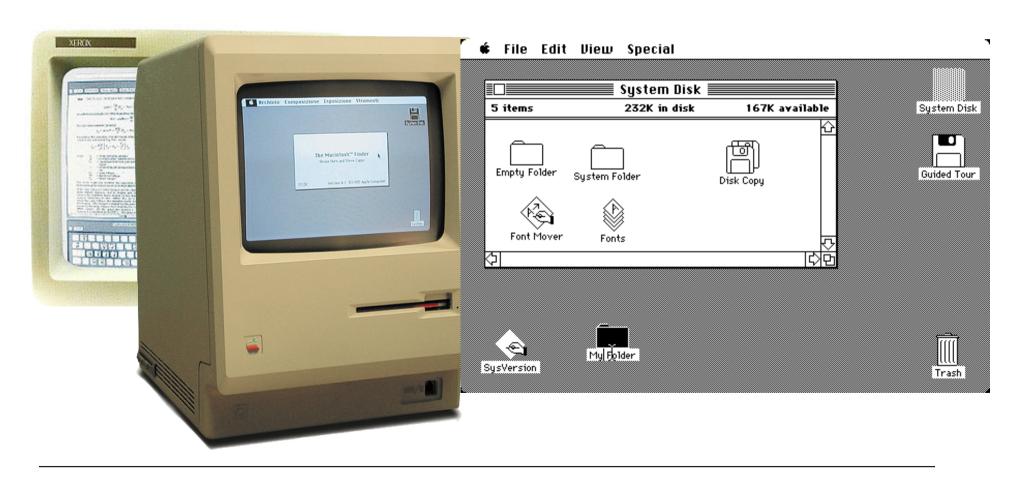




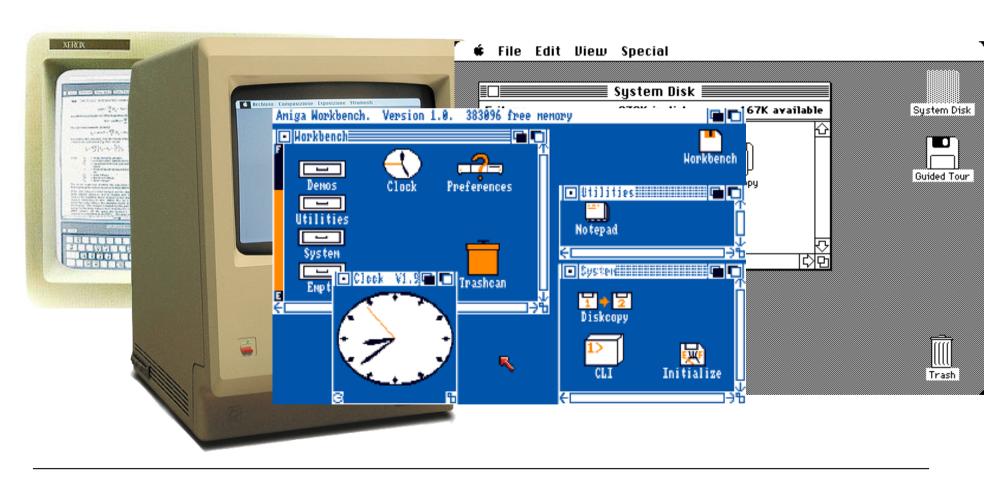




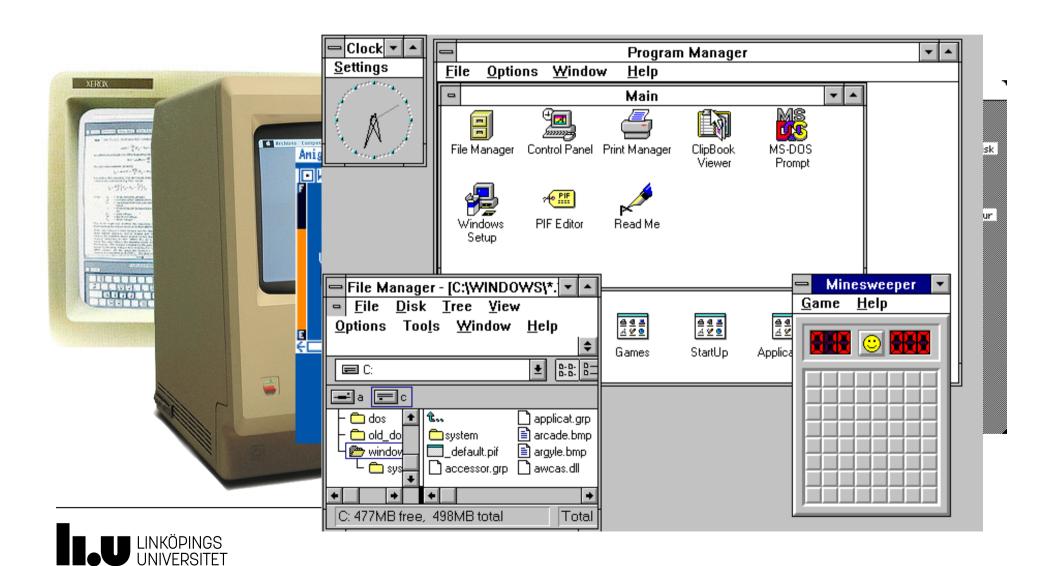


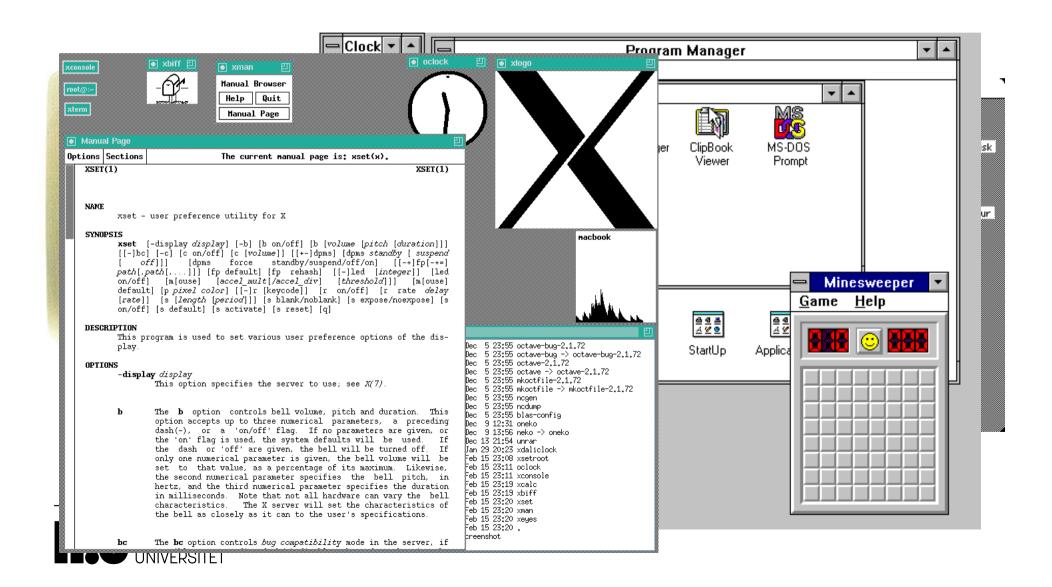


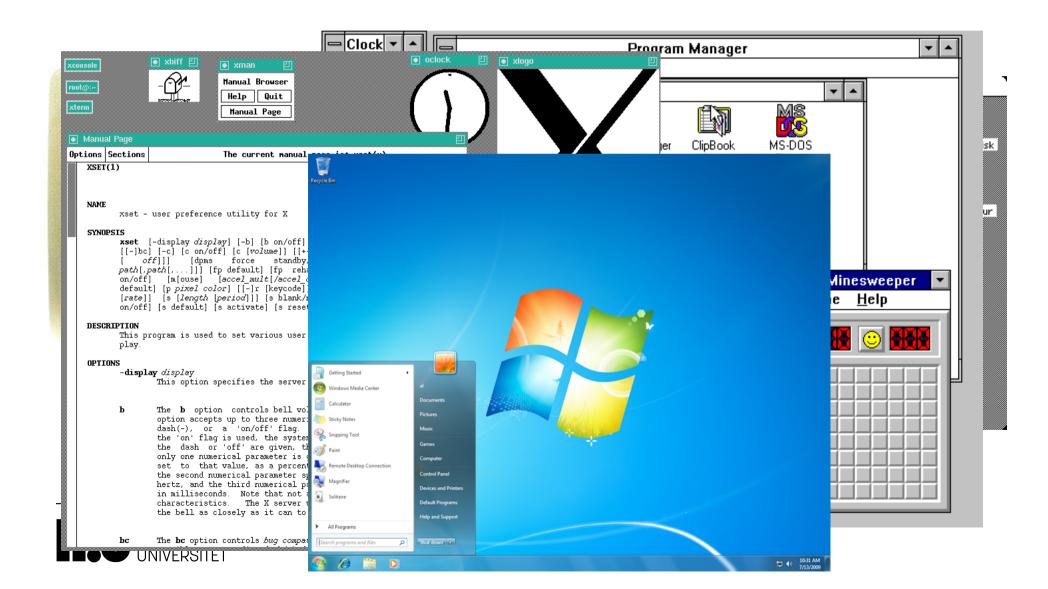


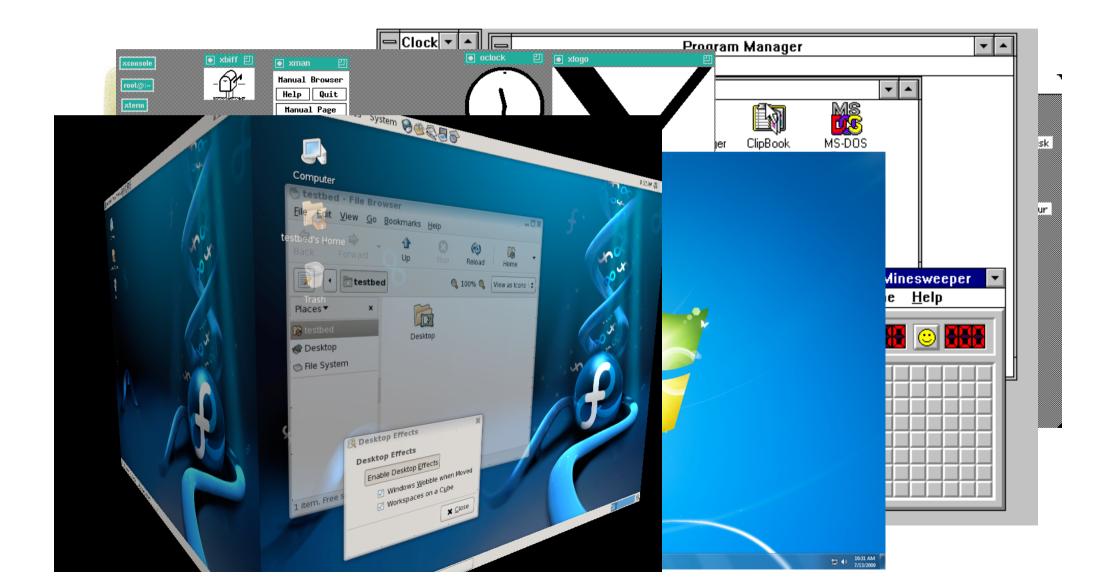
















Command line ->GUI

- New problem arises for developers
- Complex interaction structure
 - Elaborate graphics
 - Multiple interaction mechanisms
 - Non-linear command structure



Solutions

- Iterative methods
- Software Development Kits (SDKs)
 - Swing
 - Motif
 - .Net Forms
 - React React-Native
 - Flutter
 - Vue
 - Svelte
- GUI builders
- Specialized GUI languages



Some stats

- Already in '94 almost all Unix contained a GUI
- Half to code is GUI code
- Time spend equal all other parts together
- Benefit Tools
 - Reduces code by 83%
 - Time spend reduced by a factor 4 (Building GUI)



So what is this UI thing

Wikipedia

The user interface (also known as human computer interface or man-machine interface (MMI)) is the aggregate of means by which people—the <u>users</u>—<u>interact</u> with the <u>system</u>—a particular <u>machine</u>, device, <u>computer program</u> or other complex <u>tool</u>. The user interface provides means of:

- Input, allowing the users to manipulate a system
- Output, allowing the system to indicate the effects of the users' manipulation.

Wiktionary

Noun

<u>user interface</u> (plural <u>user interfaces</u>)

1. (countable) The part of a software application that a user sees and interacts with.



GUI for programmers

- Two main components
 - User(s)
 - System/Program/Application/Hardware
- Two pipes of information
 - Input from the User(s)
 - Output to the User(s)



GUI for programmers

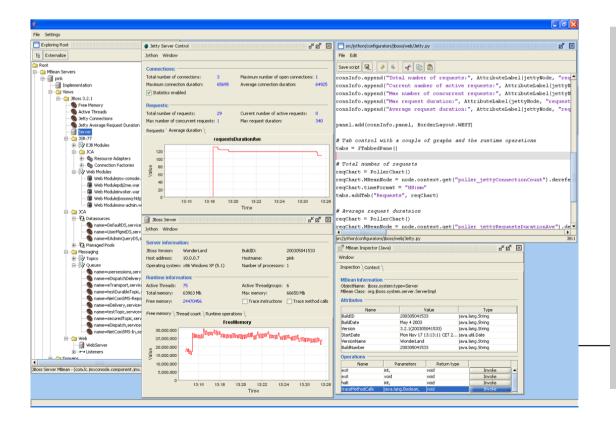
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Focus



What constitutes a (G)UI

• The worlds smallest GUI •





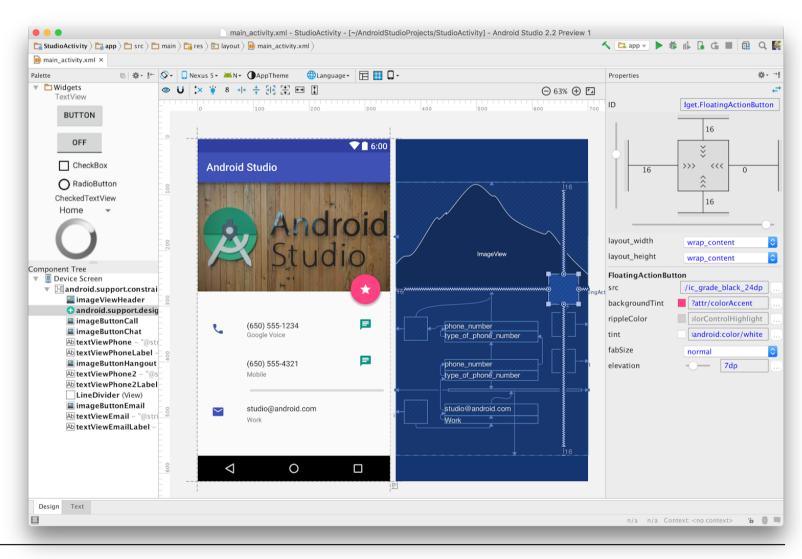
A GUI for a programmer

```
public void
paint(graphics g){
g.moveTo(100,100);
g.setColor("ffffff");
g.drawlineTo(200,300);
}
```

Spans from low level to very high level

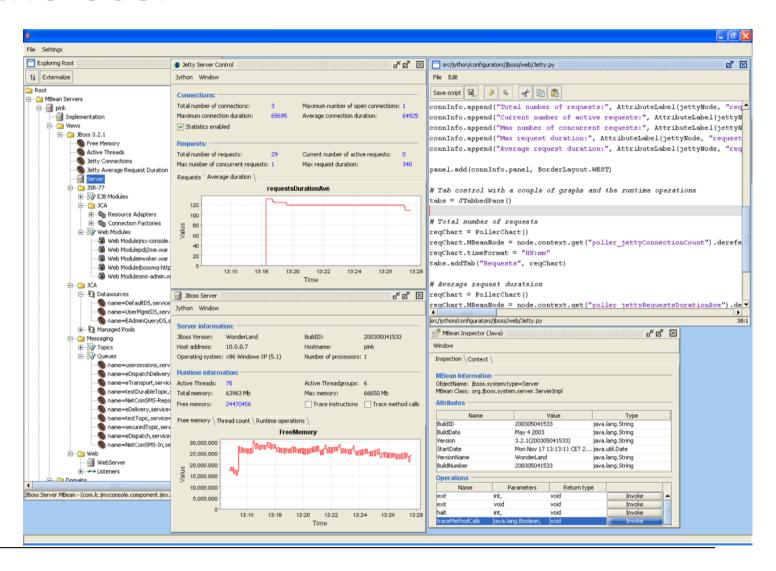


...and even visual





GUI for the User





And GUI for You in this course

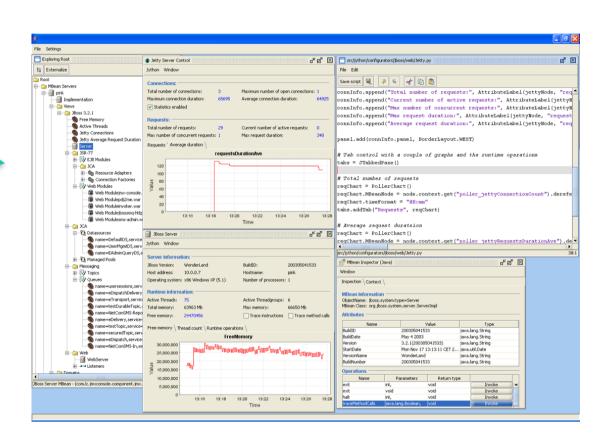
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Android/Kotlin



How do we get from

What user wants and needs (user/system requirements)

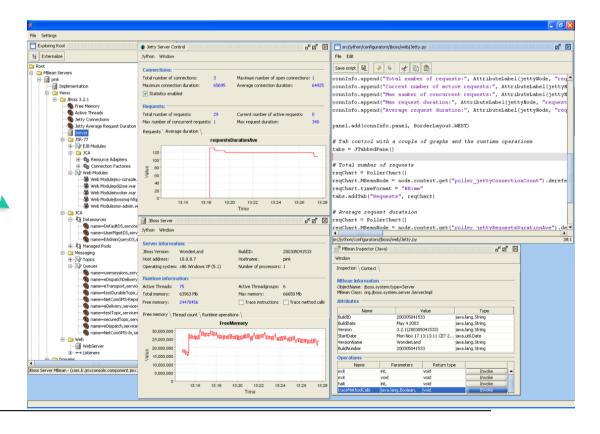




How do we get from

```
protected void onDraw(Canvas canvas) {
   super.onDraw(canvas);
   // Draw the shadow
   canvas.drawOval( mShadowBounds, mShadowPaint );
```

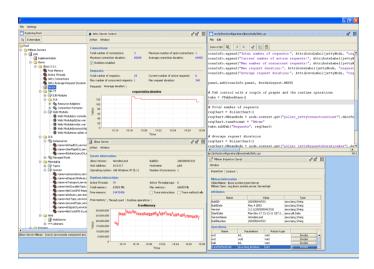
canvas.drawText(mData.get(mCurrentItem).mLabel, mTextX, mTextY, mTextPaint);





Solution

SDKs for (gui-)code: How to build it



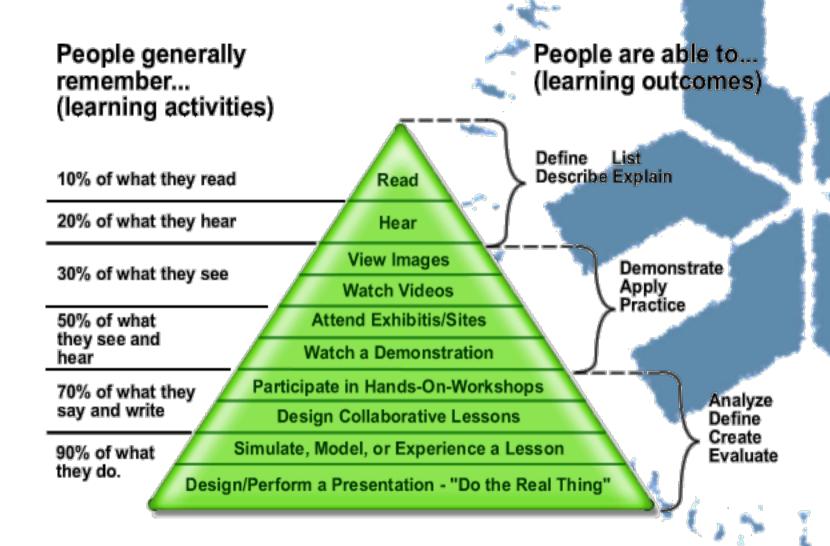
Interaction Patterns for user requirements: What to build



Now how do you get there

- Welcome to this course
- More interaction programming
- This is a programming course (G2 level)
 - Focus on writing code
 - Focus on writing for others
- You will learn from working not listening





Course outline - Your work

- 3 Labs
 - Component placement (Four frameworks)
 - User interaction and component coupling
 - Communication with the rest of the world
- Mini project
 - Your own mini Library
 - Implement 2 (at lest) high-level interaction patterns in a Library.
 - You may need to develop supporting components



Course outline - our work

- Introduction to Course (right now)
- Two ui lectures
 - Closely related to the labs
- One lecture on adjacent topics
 - Testing
 - Framework/Library design



Labs

- Cover basic GUI-programming
 - Component placement
 - Component Interaction
 - Component-System/network interaction



Mini library

- A Library with of interaction patters (two of them)
- A example app using your Library



Grading for Course

- 3 Labs and mini project
- 4
 - grade 3 + Testing or Getting started tutorial
- 5
 - grade 3 + Testing and Getting started tutorial



Examination

- To pass the course you need to
 - Pass the labs (assistants)
 - Pass the mini project (assistants)
 - Pass the oral examination (Anders)



Feedback from last year

- Fun
 - But time consuming
- Lab 3 was a bit to open
 - What is "trending" on GitHub
- Project was/is easier then the labs



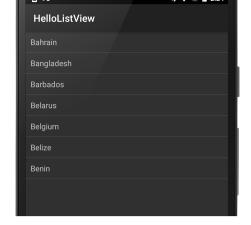
GUI SDKs

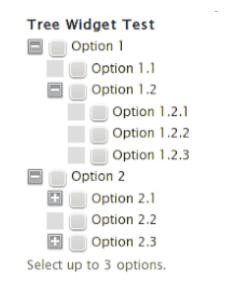
- GUI SDK contains
 - Runtime -a mapping between Abstract UI and native OS/SDK components/primitives
 - Widgets Buttons, Menus, Text Field etc
 - Widget Messages interoperability among widgets
 - Messaging structures for in-/output Messages
 - Rule sets/widget constraints for controlling layout

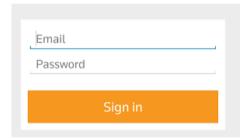


UI-Widgets

- Components
 - A set of visual reusable objects
 - Buttons, Tree, Table, Text-field
 - Android : View, Button , List, EditText, TextView
- Containers
 - Placeholders for Components and Containers
 - Usually allows for nested Containers
 - Windows, Panels, Menus, Toolbars
 - Android: ViewGroup, Layouts











Widget Messages

- Messages from widgets to your code
 - Information about a change in state
 - Messages of user generated actions
 - Mouse movement, keyboard action
 - Touch , Sensors
- Widgets has a set of Messages (zero or more) you choose which you care about



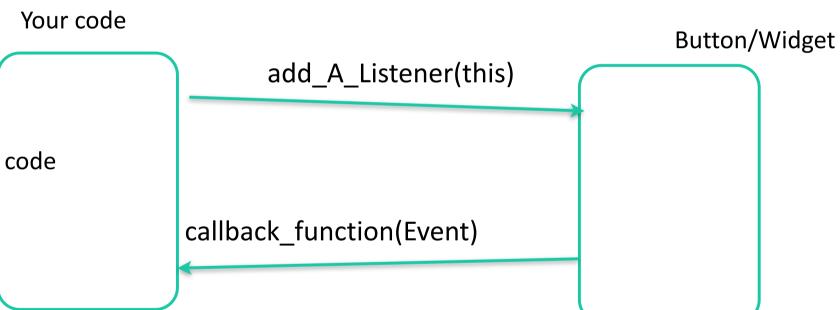
Widget Messages

- Messages passed though callback functions
- You registers yourself with component using listeners
 - android : setOnClickListener
- Receive notification
 - onClick(View v)



Listeners







Messages for in- and output

- GUI runs in a separate thread
 - Keep this thread clean only use for GUI related issues
- SDK provides mechanism for delivering info that can be received and processed in that thread



Threads

- Problem: UI not Thread safe
 - GUI code only in the GUI Event thread
- Solution:Place code on cue
 - Causes UI thread to run a given runnable when it can on the UI Event thread
- Use post any time you want to modify a UI object outside of a listener method



Android: {View}.post

```
mImageView.post(new Runnable() {
          public void run() {
            mlmageView.setImageBitmap(bitmap);
       });
// OR AsyncTask
SwingUtilities.invokeLater(
  new Runnable(){
   public void run(){
      outputArea.append(messageToDisplay);
```



Rule sets and widget constraints

- Controlling widgets
 - placement, size
 - relation to other widgets
 - reaction to external changes
 - Window size change
 - Device orientation, size, resolution



Placing components

- Layouts in Android
 - Constraint, Motion Linear- Vertical/Horizontal (Grid , Table)
- Layouts in React Native
 - Flexbox
- Layouts in Flutter
 - Layout widgets
 - Single-Child widget(s)
 - Multi-Child widget(s)



Conclusion

- What I hope you take with you
 - This is a programming course you learn by doing
 - Tools aids developers so learn them
 - Some brief hints on how to develop todays GUI application.



• Questions

