

# Interaktionsprogrammering

## TDDC73

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# Outline

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

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)

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I do not know the word "fuck"

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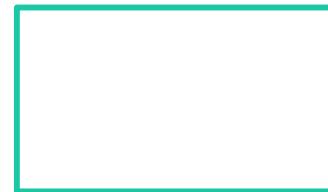
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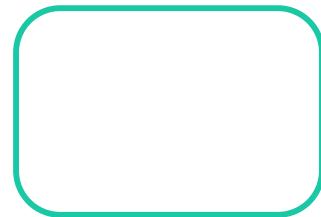
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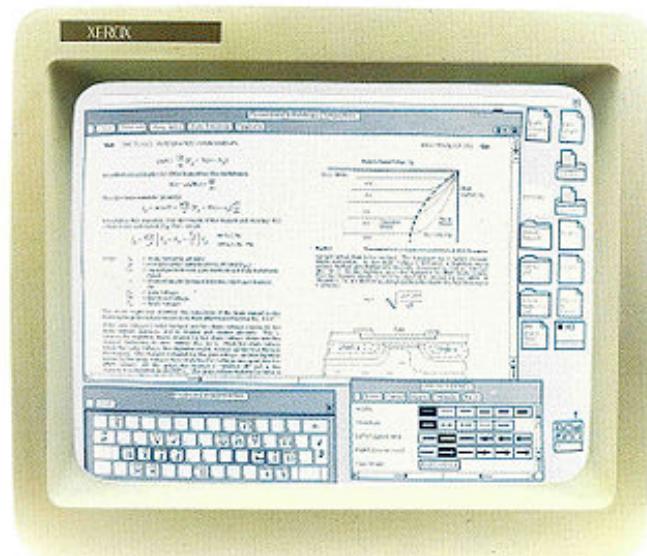
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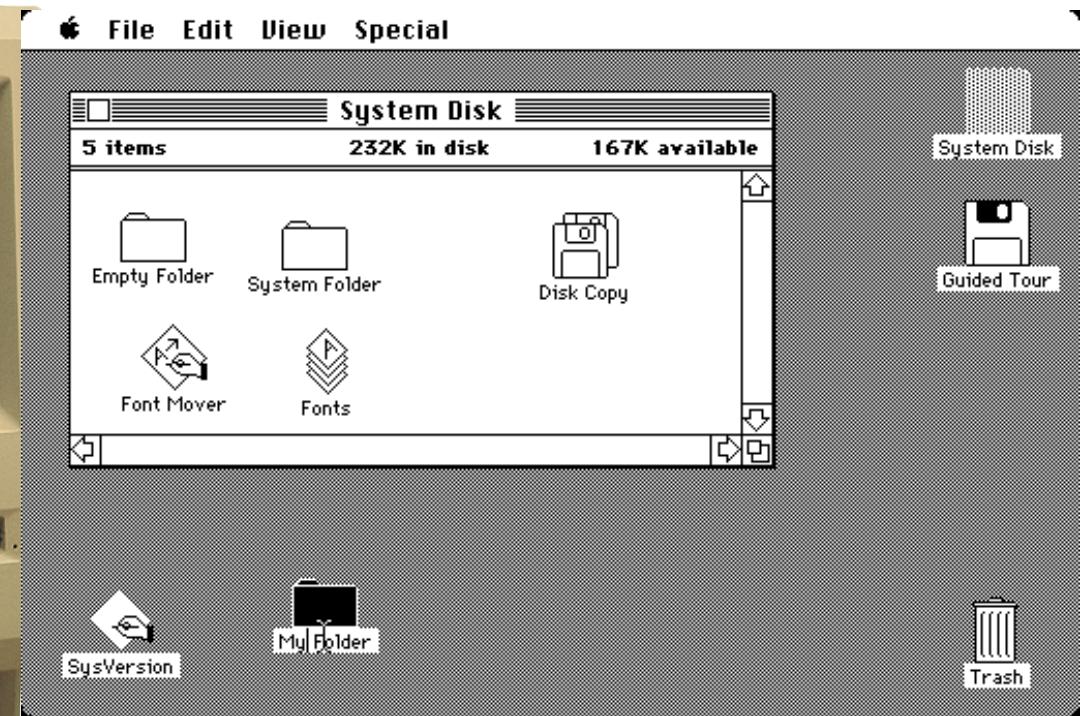
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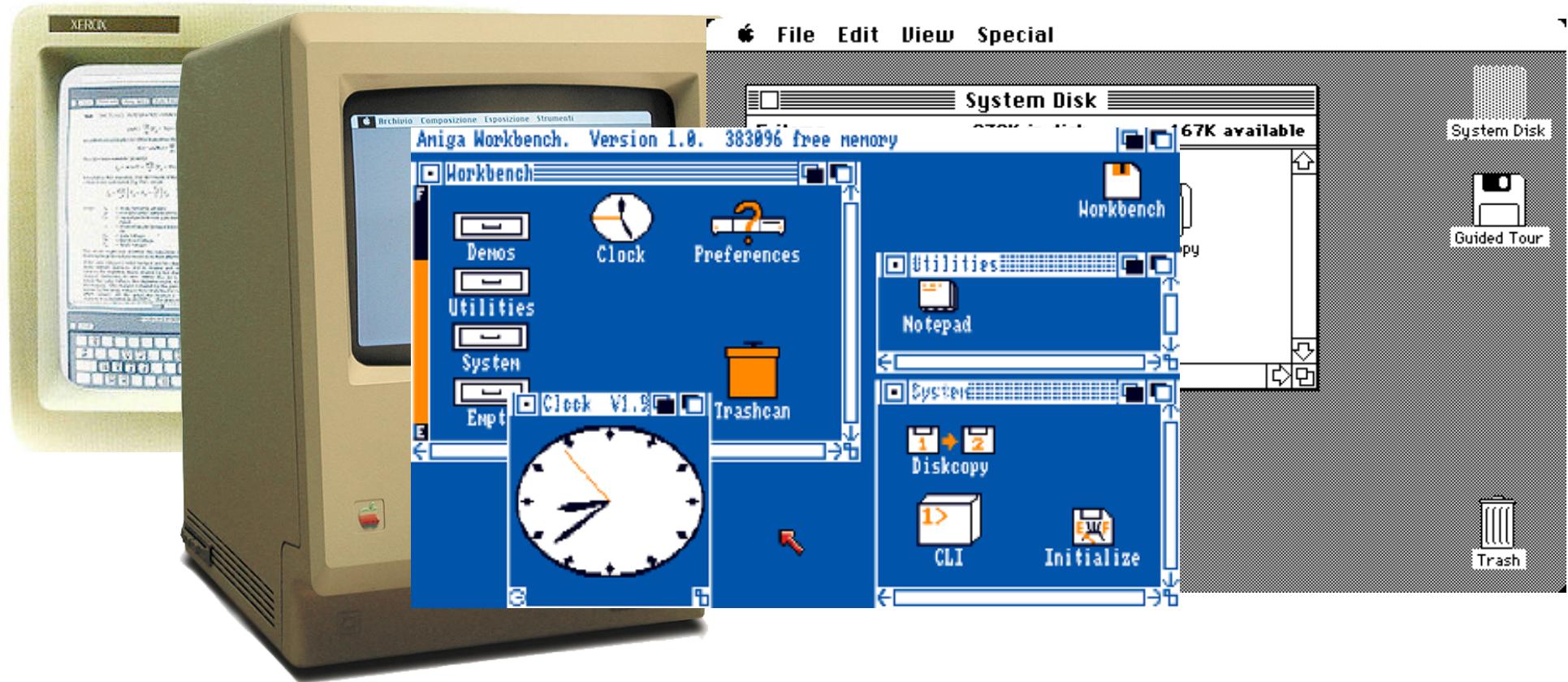
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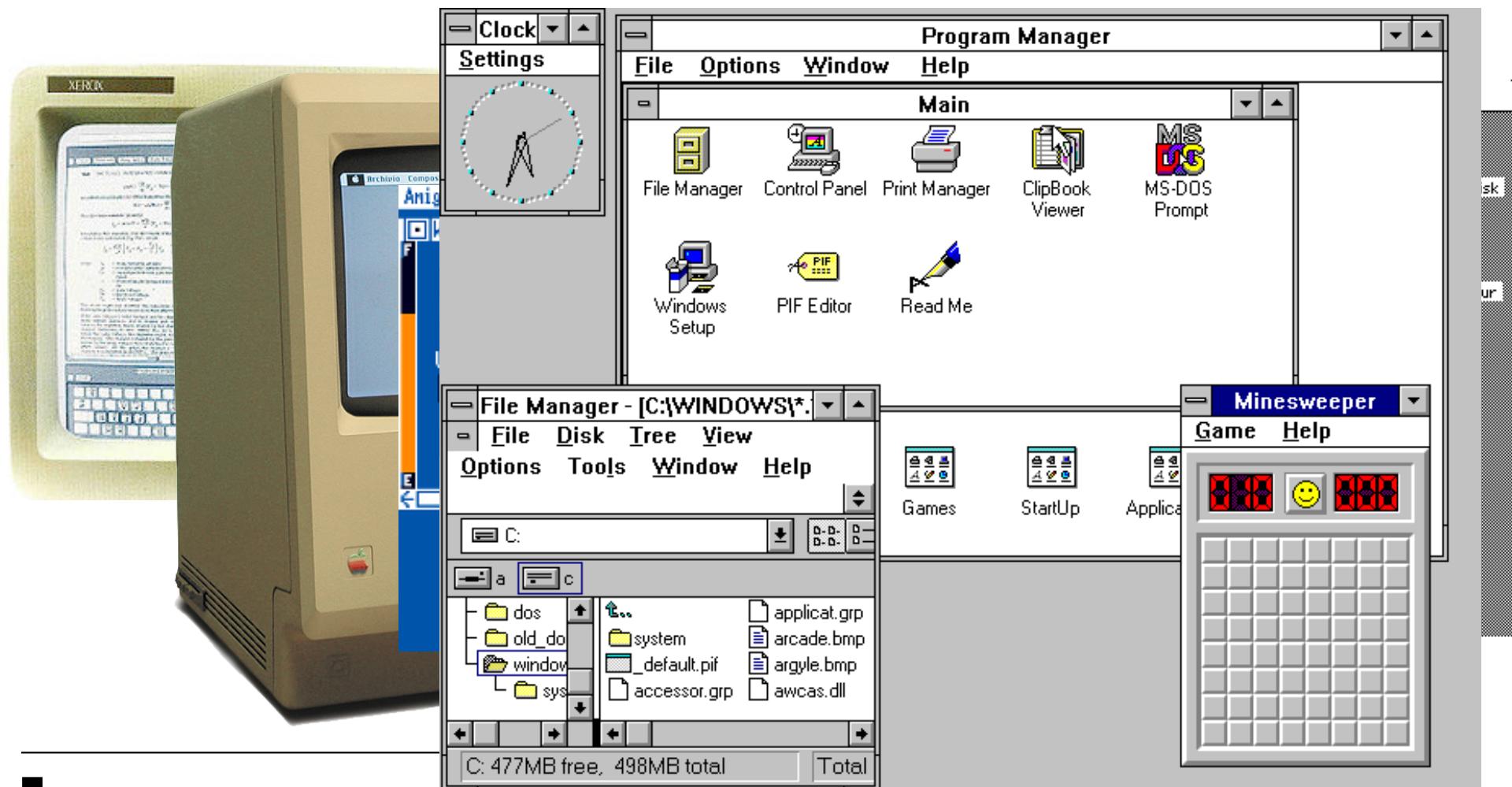
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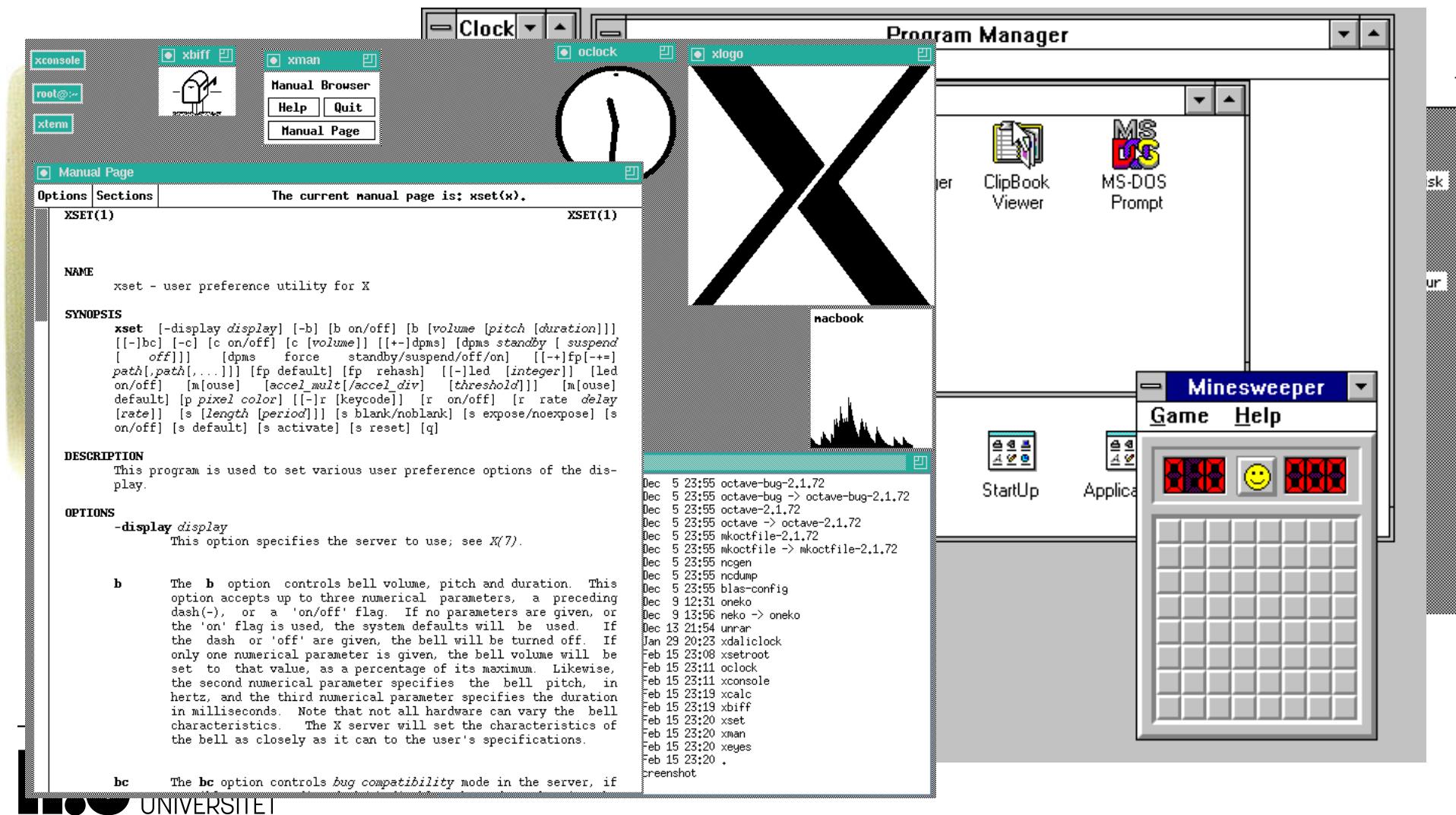
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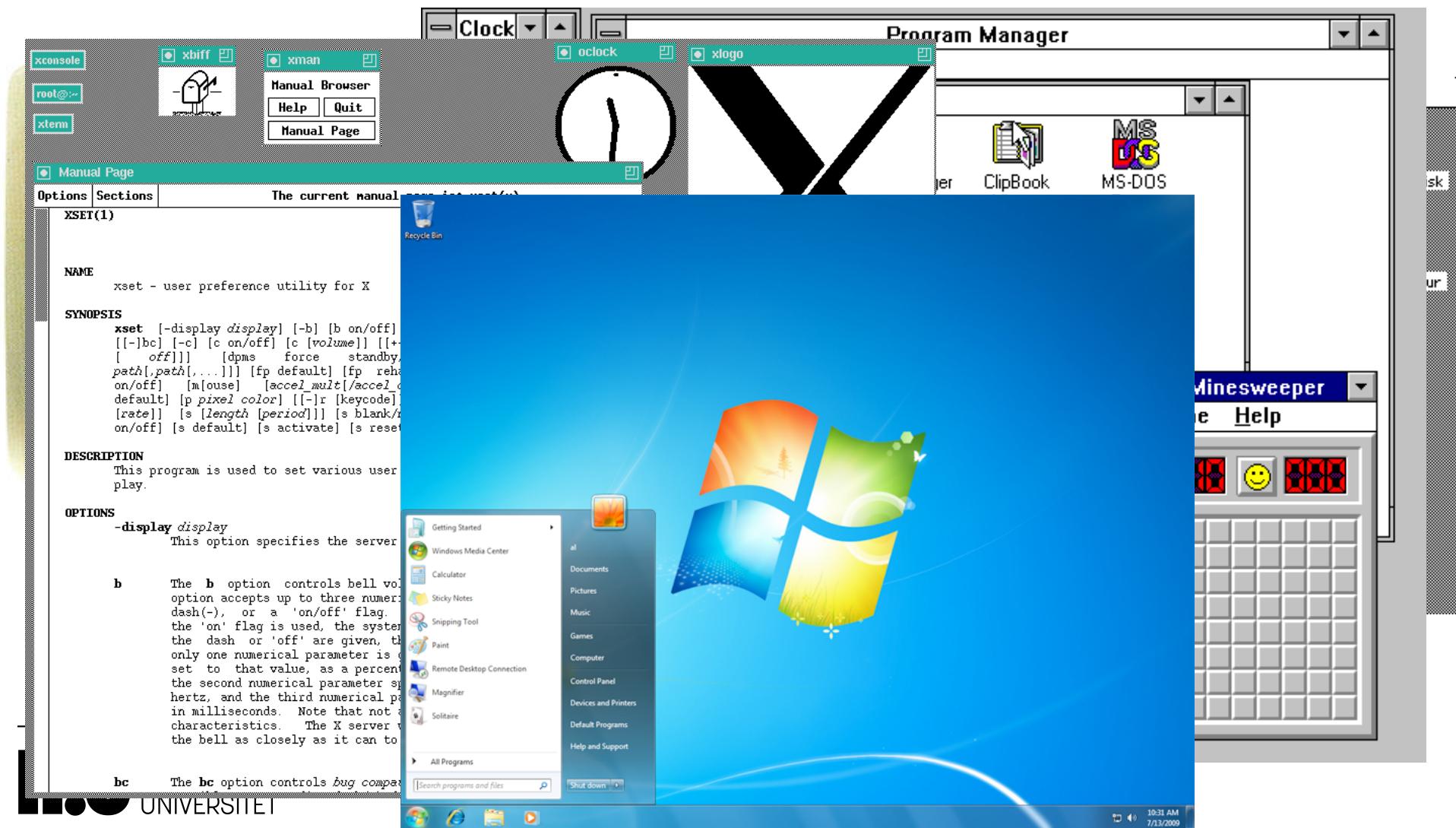
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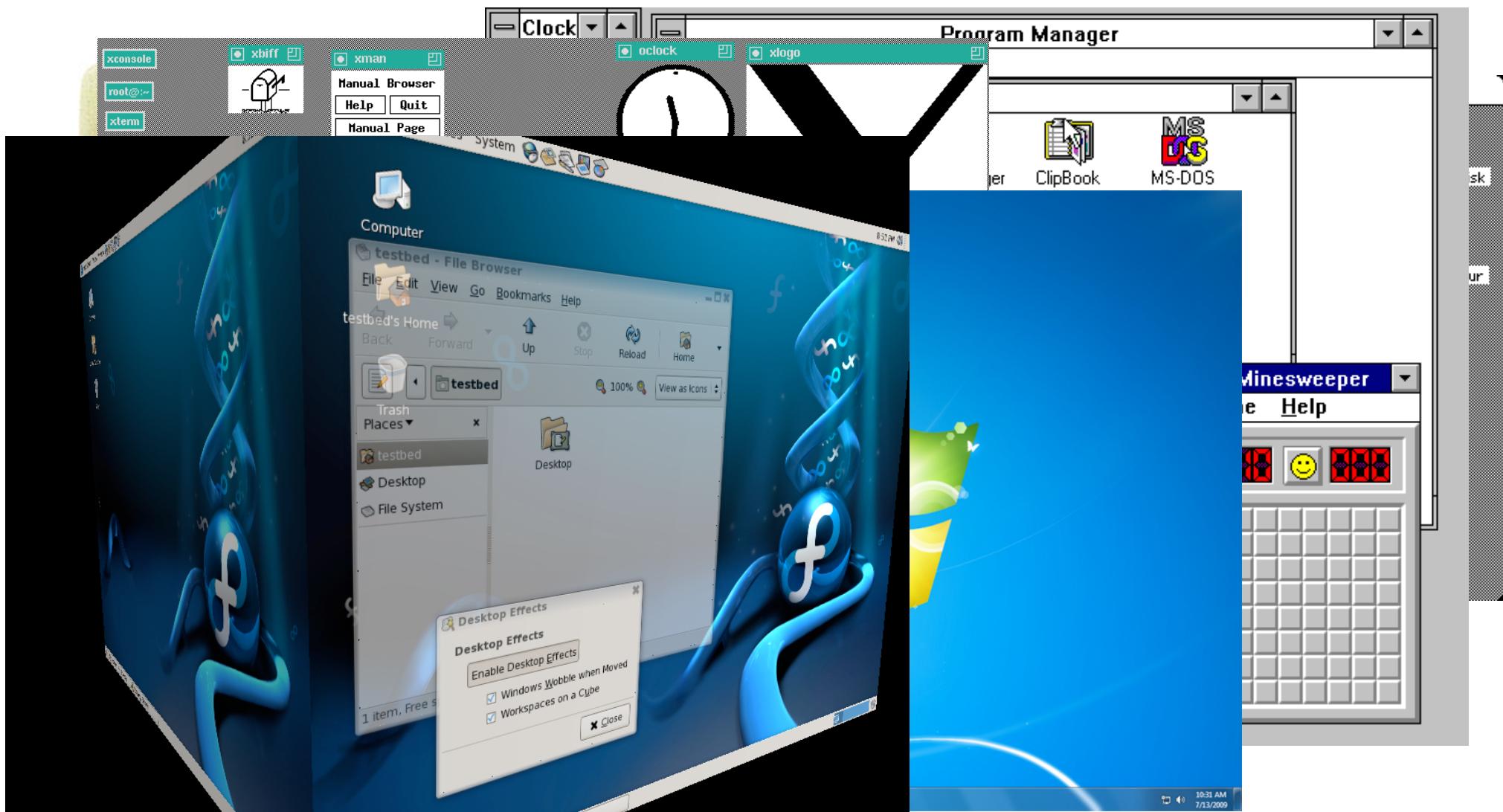
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# Command line ->GUI

- 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 spent 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 [users](#)—[interact](#) with the [system](#)—a particular [machine](#), [device](#), [computer program](#) or other complex [tool](#). 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

[user interface](#) (plural [user interfaces](#))

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

# GUI for programmers

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

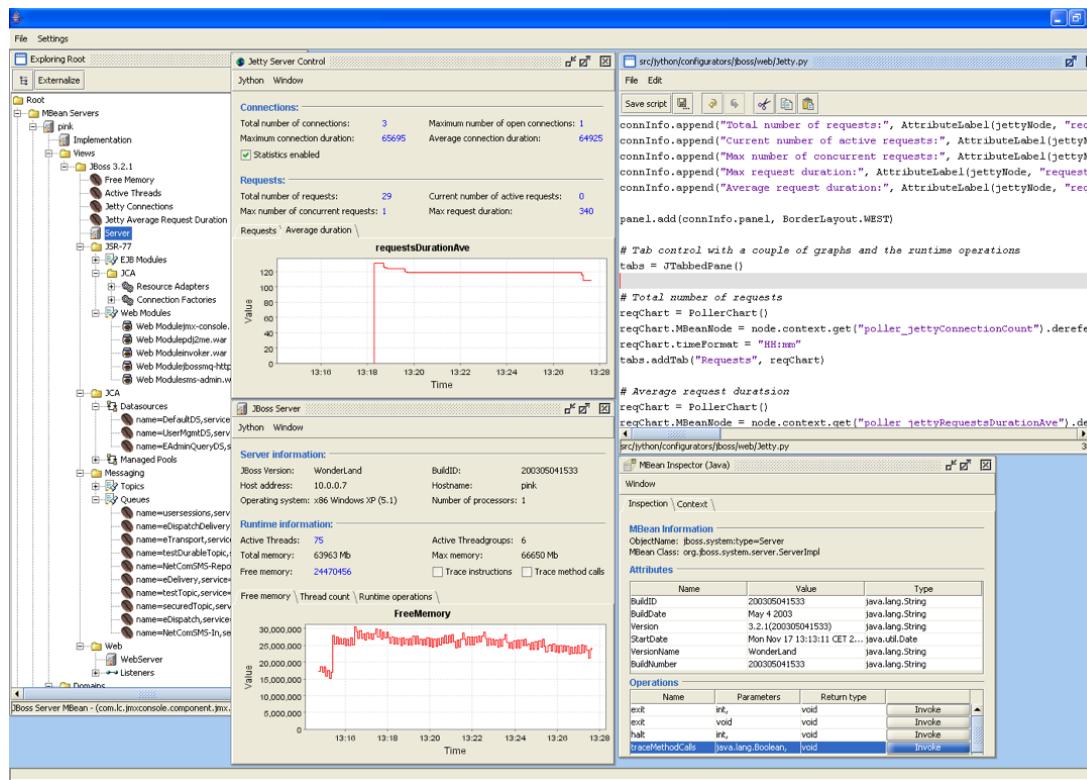
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graph TD; A([User(s)]) --> B[Focus]; C([System/Program/Application/Hardware]) --> B; D([Input from the User(s)]) --> E([Output to the User(s)]);
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# What constitutes a (G)UI

- The worlds smallest GUI



# A GUI for a programmer

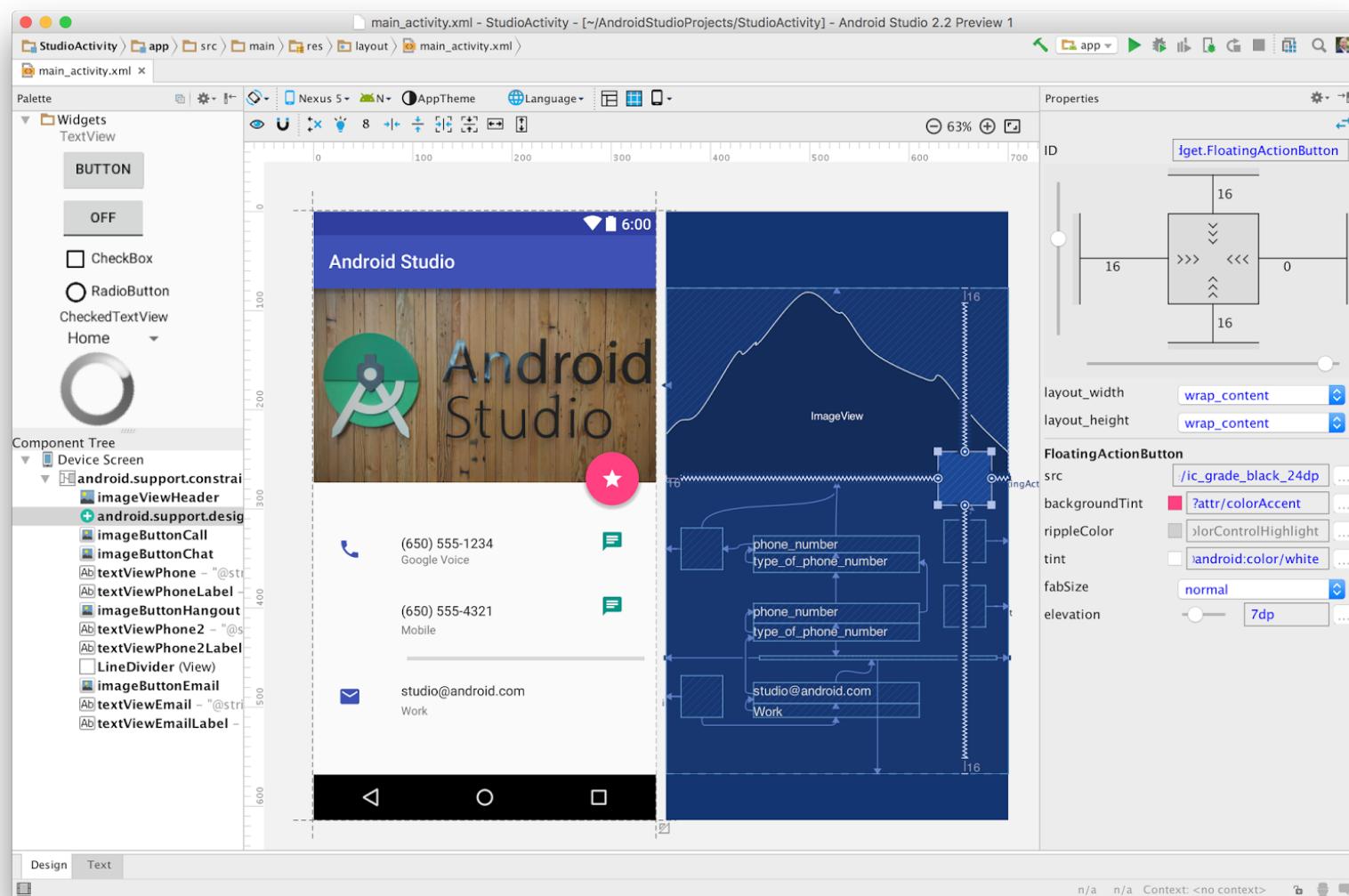
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g.moveTo(100,100);  
g.setColor("ffffff");  
g.drawLineTo(200,300);  
}
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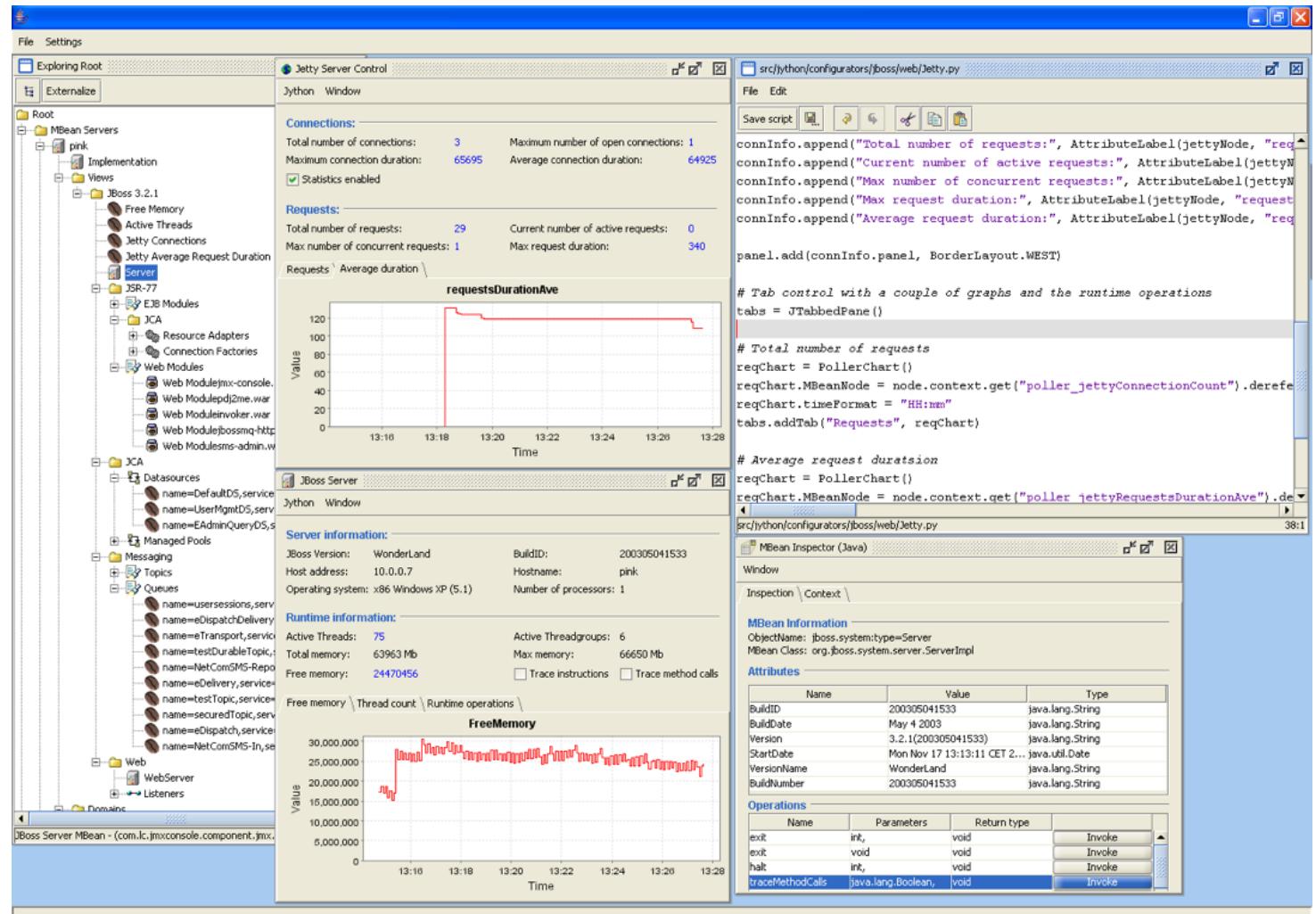
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high level

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# ...and even visual



# GUI for the User



# And GUI for You in this course

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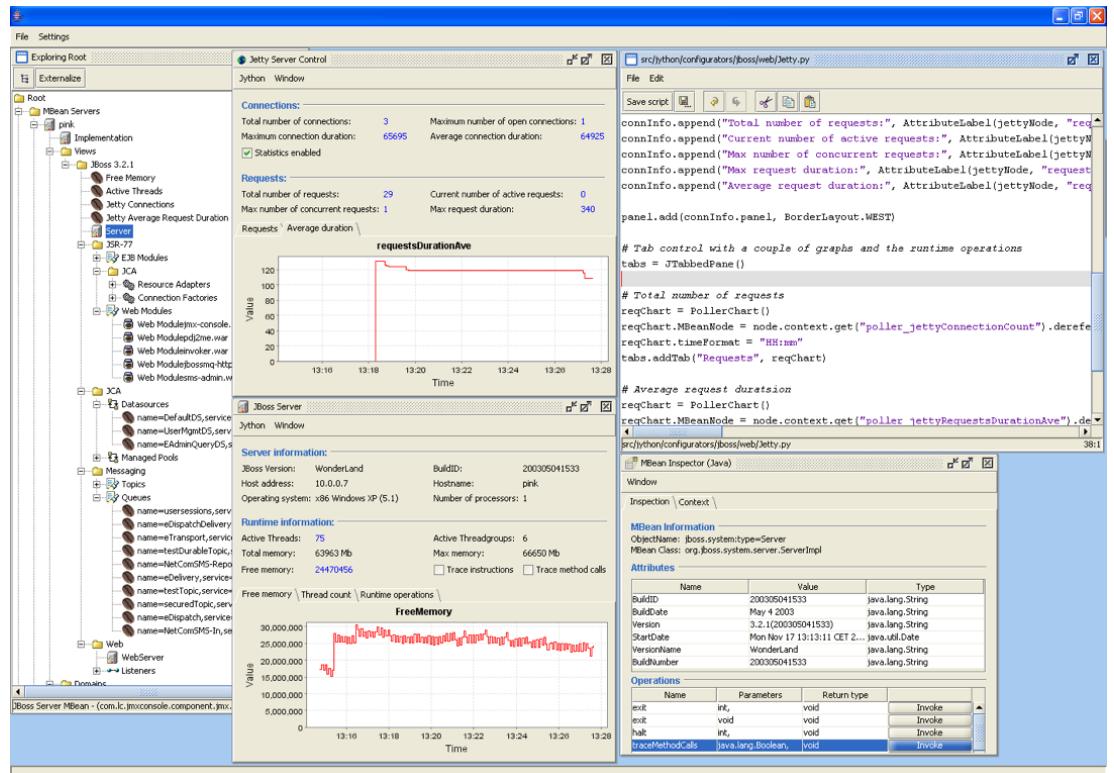
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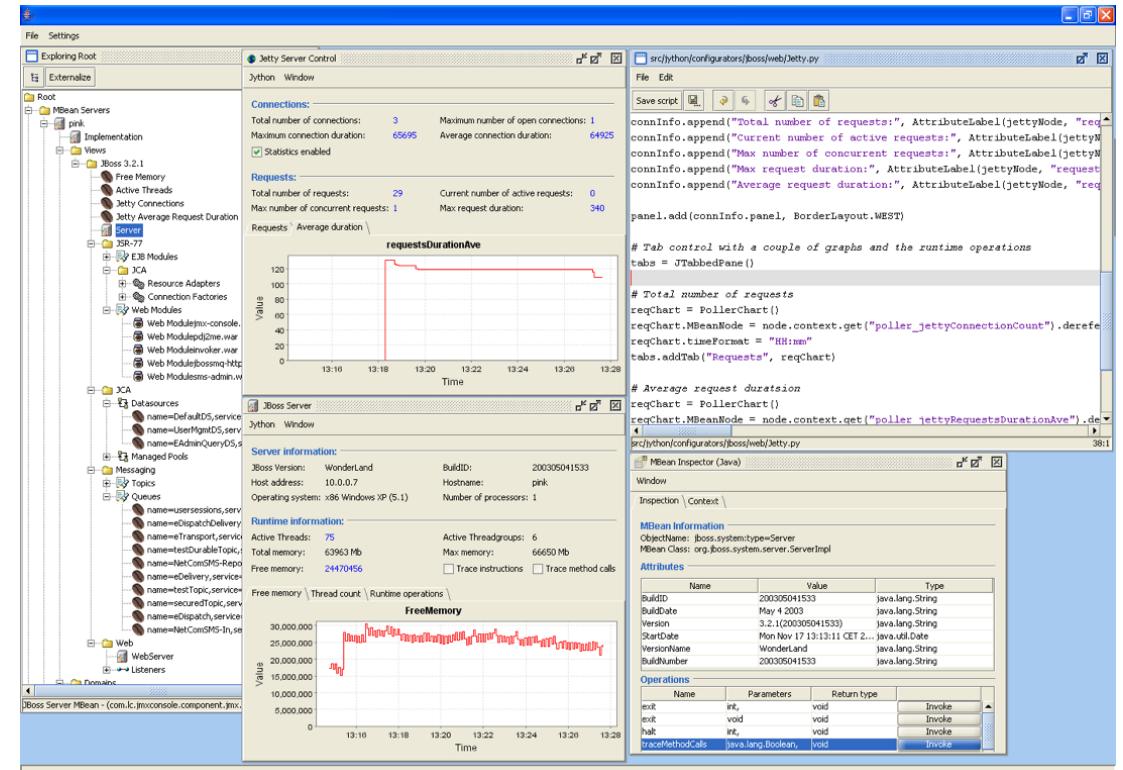
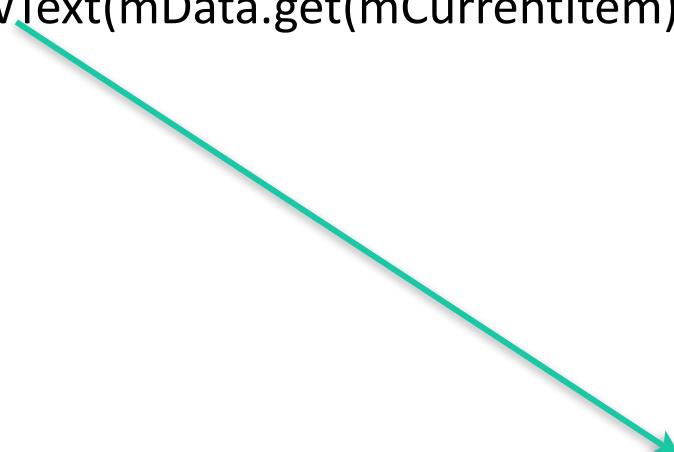
What user wants and needs (user/system requirements)



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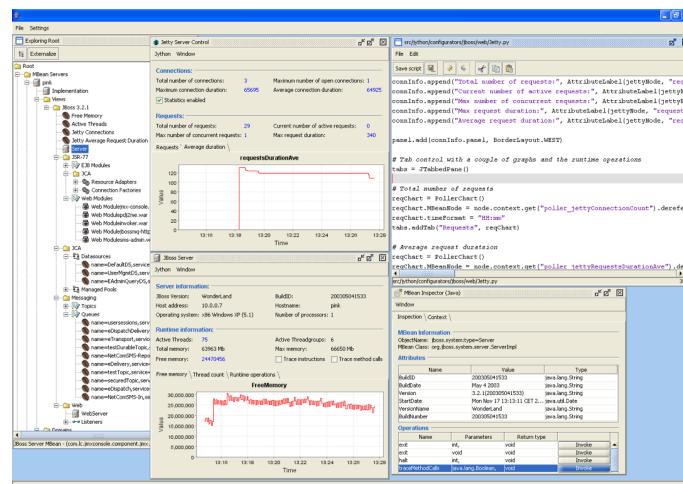
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# Solution

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

**People generally remember...  
(learning activities)**

10% of what they read

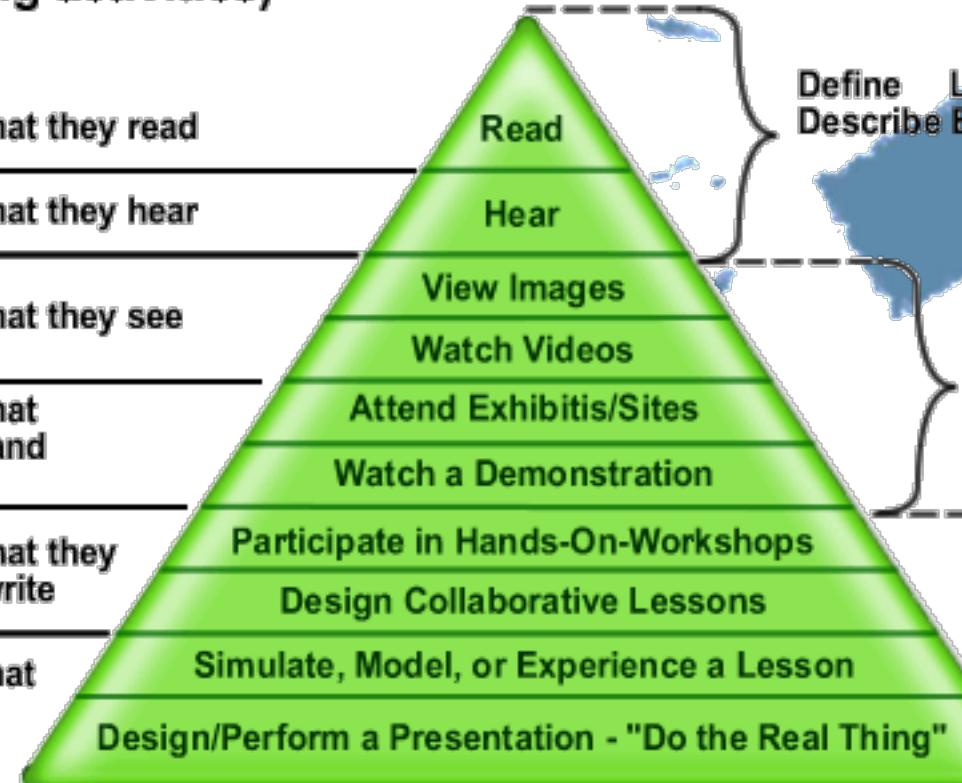
20% of what they hear

30% of what they see

50% of what they see and hear

70% of what they say and write

90% of what they do.



**People are able to...  
(learning outcomes)**

Define List  
Describe Explain

Demonstrate  
Apply  
Practice

Analyze  
Define  
Create  
Evaluate

LINKS & RESOURCES

# 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 least) 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 of high level components

- 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 + UI Testing
- 5
  - grade 4 + UI toolkit (low level)

# 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

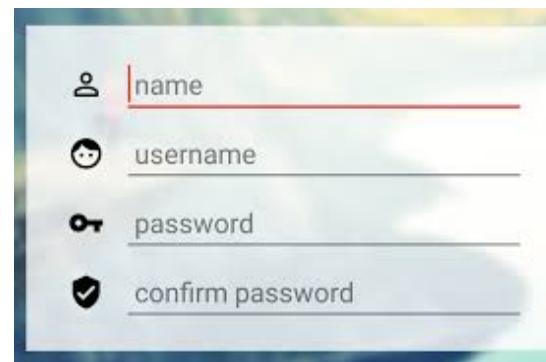
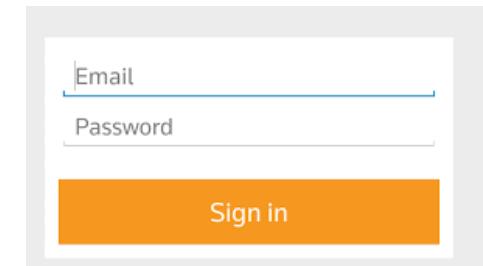
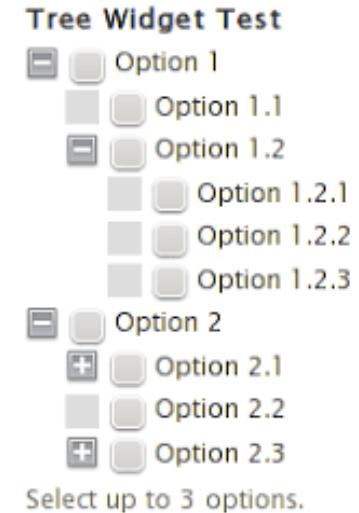
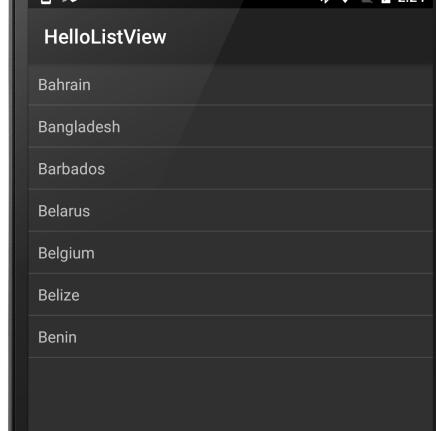
- Fun
  - But time consuming
- Lab 3 was a bit to open
  - What is “trending” on GitHub
- The project was/is easier than the labs

# 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

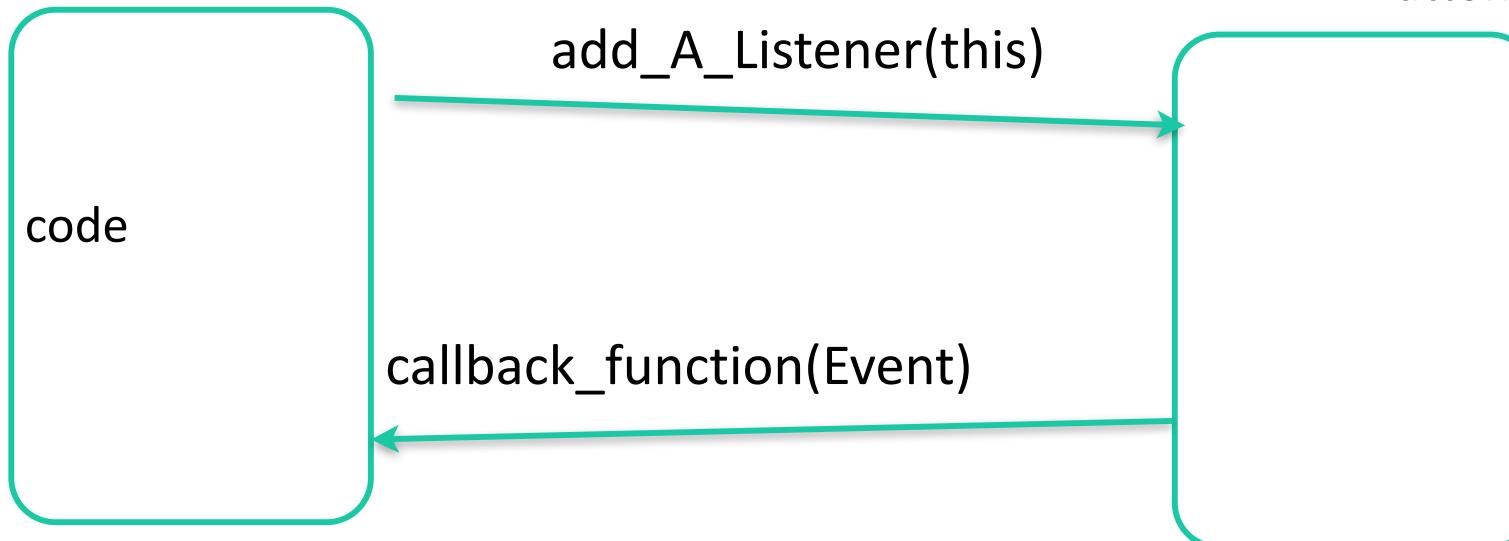
# Widget Messages

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



# Listeners

Your code



Button/Widget

# 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() {  
                mImageView.setImageBitmap(bitmap);  
        }  
});
```

*// OR AsyncTask*

```
SwingUtilities.invokeLater(  
    new Runnable(){  
        public void run(){  
            outputArea.append(messageToDisplay);  
        }  
    }  
);
```

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# 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)
  - Column,Row, Box (Composable)
- 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