Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 33

Swing I: Drawing and Event Handling Chapter 29

#### Announcements

- HW8: TwitterBot
  - Available on the web site
  - Due: Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm
  - This is a *new* project (replacing SpellChecker), so please start early!

- HW9a: (see next slide)
  - Due this Friday!

• Regrade requests for Midterm 2 due by Friday.

## HW9: Game project

- Game Design Proposal Milestone Due: (8 points) Friday November 22<sup>nd</sup> at NOON = 11:59AM!!!!
  - (Should take about 1 hour)
  - Submit on GRADESCOPE
  - TAs will give you feedback over the weekend
- Final Program Due: (92 points) Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm
  - Submit zipfile online, submission only checks if your code compiles
  - Eclipse is STRONGLY recommended for this project
  - May distribute your game (after the deadline) if you do not use any of our code
- Grade based on demo with your TA during reading days
  - Grading rubric on the assignment website
  - Recommendation: don't be too ambitious.

#### NO LATE SUBMISSIONS PERMITTED

# Coding: Histogram.java

WordScanner.java Histogram.java

## Histogram Example Key Ideas

- Implementing an Iterator<T>
  - maintain a "cursor" and some invariants that relate hasNext() and next()
- FileReader (and FileWriter) are easy to use.
  - often want BufferedReader / BufferedWriter for "line-at-a-time" access and better performance
  - need to use appropriate exception handling to deal with IOExceptions
- Histogram is just a Map<String,Integer> object
  - see also: ProbabilityDistribution in TwitterBot HW
- Easy to write "command line" (a.k.a. terminal apps)
  - use the args[] input to main for inputs
  - write to System.out for output
  - run by doing: "java –cp <bindirc> ClassName"

### Some Advice on Debugging

# Use the Scientific Method

- 1. Make an observation / ask a question
  - One of my test cases fails!
  - Which assertion? What exception? What is the stack trace?
- 2. Formulate a hypothesis
  - Could I have passed null as bar to foo.munge(bar)?
- 3. Conduct an experiment
  - Modify the program to try to confirm or refute the hypothesis.
  - *Don't* make random changes!
  - Predict the outcome of your experiment
  - Re-run test cases, or execute the program
- 4. Analyze the results
  - Did the modified code behave as expected?
- 5. Draw conclusions / Report results
  - Create a new test case (if appropriate)



## **Observing Behavior**

- Understand exceptions and their stack traces
  - They give you a lot of information
- If you are using Eclipse, it is worth taking a little time to learn how to use the debugger!
  - See Piazza for a Quick Start tutorial
- Simple print statements are also very effective!
  - Confirm or disprove hypothesis
  - e.g.: The code reached "HERE!" (or not)

# Swing

Java's GUI library

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Nope

No, but I've used a different GUI library in Java

Yes, but I didn't really understand how it worked

Yes, I'm an expert

# Why study GUIs (yet again)?

- Most common example of *event*based programming
- Heavy and effective use of OO inheritance
- Case study in library organization
  - and some advanced Java features
- Ideas applicable everywhere:
  - Web apps
  - Mobile apps
  - Desktop apps
- Fun!



# Terminology overview

	GUI (OCaml)	Swing
Graphics Context	Gctx.gctx	Graphics
Widget type	Widget.widget	JComponent
Basic Widgets	button label checkbox	JButton JLabel JCheckBox
Container Widgets	hpair, vpair	JPanel, Layouts
Events	event	ActionEvent MouseEvent KeyEvent
Event Listener	<pre>mouse_listener mouseclick_listener (any function of type event -&gt; unit)</pre>	ActionListener MouseListener KeyListener

# Swing practicalities

- Java library for GUI development
  - javax.swing.\*
- Built on existing library: AWT
  - java.awt.\*
  - When there are two versions of something, use Swing's.
     (e.g., java.awt.Button vs. javax.swing.JButton)
    - The "JFoo" version is usually the one you want, not plain "Foo"
- Portable
  - Communicates with underlying OS's native window system
  - Same Java program looks appropriately different when run on PC, Linux, and Mac

# Simple Drawing

DrawingCanvas.java DrawingCanvasMain.java

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### Fractal Drawing Demo



#### **Recursive function for drawing**

#### How do we draw a picture?

• In the OCaml GUI HW, we created widgets whose repaint function used the graphics context to draw an image

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• In Swing, the preferred idiom is to extend the class JComponent ...

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## Fundamental class: JComponent

- Analog of widget type from OCaml GUI project
  - (Terminology: widget == JComponent)
- Subclasses should *override* methods of JComponent
  - paintComponent (like repaint, displays the component)
  - getPreferredSize (like size, calculates the size of the component)
- Events are handled by listeners (don't need to use overriding...)
- Richer functionality
  - minimum/maximum size
  - font
  - foreground/background color
  - borders
  - what is visible
  - many more...

## Simple Drawing Component



How do we put this component on the screen?

# JFrame

- Represents a top-level window
  - Displayed directly by OS (looks different on Mac, PC, etc.)
- Contains JComponents
- Can be moved, resized, iconified, closed

```
public void run() {
    JFrame frame = new JFrame("Tree");
    // set the content of the window to be our drawing
    frame.getContentPane().add(new DrawingCanvas());
    // make sure the application exits when the frame closes
    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
    // resize the frame based on the size of the panel
    frame.pack();
    // show the frame
    frame.setVisible(true);
}
```

#### **User Interaction**

### Start Simple: Lightswitch

**Task**: Program an application that displays a button. When the button is pressed, it toggles a "lightbulb" on and off.



**Key idea**: use a ButtonListener to toggle the state of the "lightbulb"

# OnOffDemo

The Lightswitch GUI program in Swing.

# **Display the Lightbulb**



# Main Class



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### Making the Button DO something

```
class ButtonListener implements ActionListener {
    private LightBulb bulb;
    public ButtonListener (LightBulb b) {
        bulb = b;
    }
    @Override
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
        bulb.flip();
                                        Note that "repaint" does not
        bulb.repaint();
                                        necessarily do any repainting
    }
                                        now! It is simply a notification to
                                        Swing that something needs
}
                                        repainting.
```