CSI 31 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

Topic 14: TKinter Fundamentals

OUTLINE

(References: See Webpage)

- 1. Event-based programming
- 2. Events and Binding
- 3. Widgets

1. Event-based programming in general

- (a) Non-linear
- (b) Create event-loop:
 - i. Wait for user actions
 - ii. Respond depending on user action: Bind "events" to "callbacks"

2. Event loop in Tkinter

- (a) import tkinter
- (b) Open window and loop with Tk(). Close with mainloop().
- (c) To create a basic button:
 - i. Button([...])
 - ii. configure
 - iii. pack
- (d) Pack: Each widget in "next" spot with modifiers:
 - side = LEFT, RIGHT, TOP, BOTTOM

Later: Other geometry managers ...

PROBLEM 1. Write a program that simply displays 3 buttons (that do nothing). Have it print before and after entering the event loop.

- (e) Binding: bind(event, callback)
 - i. "< Button 1 >" is the left click event.
 - ii. "< Return >" is the return button event
 - iii. And there are many more! ...

PROBLEM 2. Write a program that displays 1 button which responds to two events: If the button is left-clicked on, then it prints CLICK. If the return key is hit, then it prints RETURN.

- (f) Other events:
 - i. ' < Key > '
 - ii. ' < Enter > '
 - iii. ' < Leave > '
 - iv. etc...

3. Widgets

(a) Another widget: Canvas

PROBLEM 3. Write a program that displays 2 circles, one red, and one green. Clicking on a circle will have it print the corresponding color to the screen.

- (b) Some widgets:
 - i. Button
 - ii. Canvas
 - iii. Label
 - iv. Checkbutton
 - v. etc ...
- (c) "width = " and "height = " to (most) widgets

4. Frame Widget

- (a) Put widgets in it using any geometry manager.
- (b) Then place the entire Frame using any geometry manager