

Client-Side Options (Part 1)

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Objectives

So far:

Client	Browser + HTML + JavaScript
Server	Python + Flask Java + Servlets Java + Spring JavaScript + Express

Objectives

- We will cover:
 - Desktop app programming
 - A Penny **desktop** client

Objectives

- More specifically...
- We will cover:
 - “High-level” desktop app programming
- We will not cover:
 - “Low-level” desktop app programming

Motivation

- **Question:** Why study desktop app programming?
- **Answers:**
 - Mainstream “advanced programming”
 - Illustrates event-driven programming
 - Illustrates concurrent programming
 - Important!

Agenda

- **Aside: Function def expressions**
- Aside: Multithreaded programming
- Java Swing
- Baseline
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Function Def Exprs

In JavaScript

With a function definition **statement**:

```
function compareLengths(word1, word2) {  
    return word1.length - word2.length;  
}  
...  
words.sort(compareLengths);  
...
```

With a function definition **expression**:

```
...  
words.sort(  
    function(word1, word2) {  
        return word1.length - word2.length;  
    }  
);  
...
```

Function Def Exprs

In **JavaScript**

With an **arrow** function definition **expression**:

```
...  
words.sort(  
    (word1,word2) => word1.length-word2.length) ;  
...
```

Arrow functions are a syntactic shortcut

Function Def Exprs

In **Python**

Lambda Expressions



Alonzo
Church

Function Def Exprs

- In **Python**

```
lambda param1, param2 ...: expression
```

- The keyword `lambda`
- (optionally) Parameters separated by commas
- A colon
- A single expression that uses the parameters

Function Def Exprs

In **Python**

Without a lambda expression:

```
def compare_lengths(word1, word2):  
    return len(word1) - len(word2)  
...  
words.sort(compare_lengths)  
...
```

With a lambda expression:

```
...  
words.sort(  
    lambda word1, word2: len(word1) - len(word2) )  
...
```

Function Def Exprs

- In **Java**:
 - *Java lambda expressions*
 - New to Java SE 8

Function Def Exprs

In **Java**

Without a lambda expression:

```
class LengthComparator implements Comparator<String>
{
    public int compare(String word1, String word2)
    {
        return word1.length() - word2.length();
    }
}
...
String[] words;
...
Arrays.sort(words, new LengthComparator());
...
```

Function Def Exprs

In Java

With a lambda expression:

```
...  
String[] words;  
...  
Arrays.sort(words,  
    (String word1, String word2) ->  
        word1.length() - word2.length() );  
...
```

Function Def Exprs

In **Java**

With a lambda expression:

```
...  
String[] words;  
...  
Arrays.sort(words,  
    (word1, word2) -> word1.length() - word2.length()  
);  
...
```

Sometimes can omit parameter types

Function Def Exprs

- In **Java**
 - ***Functional interface***
 - An interface that declares a single method
 - It's OK to use a lambda expression in lieu of **an object of a class that implements a functional interface**

Function Def Exprs

- In **Java**
 - Java lambda expression observations
 - Function def expressions in a language that doesn't have functions!
 - Handy!
 - Inelegant?

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Multithreaded Programming

- Recall **spawning.py**

```
$ python spawning.py
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue thread terminated
red
red
red
red
red
red thread terminated
main thread terminated
$
```

```
$ python spawning.py
blue
blue
blue
blue
red
red
red
red
red thread terminated
blue
main thread terminated
blue thread terminated
$
```

Multithreaded Programming

- See **Spawning1.java**

```
$ java Spawning1
main thread terminated
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue
red
red
red
red
red
red thread terminated
blue thread terminated
$
```

```
$ java Spawning1
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue
main thread terminated
red
red
red
red
red
red thread terminated
blue thread terminated
$
```

Multithreaded Programming

- **Problem:**
 - Java does not allow multiple inheritance
 - What if class `PrinterThread` already inherits from some class other than `Thread`?
- **Solution:** ...

Multithreaded Programming

- See **Spawning2.java**

```
$ java Spawning2
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue
main thread terminated
red
red
red
red
red
blue thread terminated
red thread terminated
$
```

```
$ java Spawning2
blue
blue
main thread terminated
red
red
red
red
red
blue
blue
blue
blue thread terminated
red thread terminated
$
```

Multithreaded Programming

- **Note:**

- `bluePrinterRunnable` is an object of a class that implements an interface that defines one method
- `bluePrinterRunnable` can be replaced with a lambda expression
- Same for `redPrinterRunnable`

- **And so...**

Multithreaded Programming

- See **Spawning3.java**

```
$ java Spawning3
main thread terminated
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue
blue thread terminated
red
red
red
red
red
red thread terminated
$
```

```
$ java Spawning3
main thread terminated
blue
blue
blue
red
red
red
red
red thread terminated
blue
blue
blue thread terminated
$
```

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Java Swing

Cross-platform desktop app libraries:

Desktop App Library	Language	Platform
GTK	C, C++	Linux, Windows, macOS
Qt	C, C++	Linux, Windows, macOS
wxWidgets	C, C++	Linux, Windows, macOS
Flutter	C, C++, Dart	Linux, Windows, macOS, Android, iOS
PyQt	Python	Linux, Windows, macOS
Tkinter	Python	Linux, Windows, macOS
AWT	Java	Linux, Windows, macOS
Swing	Java	Linux, Windows, macOS
JavaFX	Java	Linux, Windows, macOS
...	...	...

Java Swing

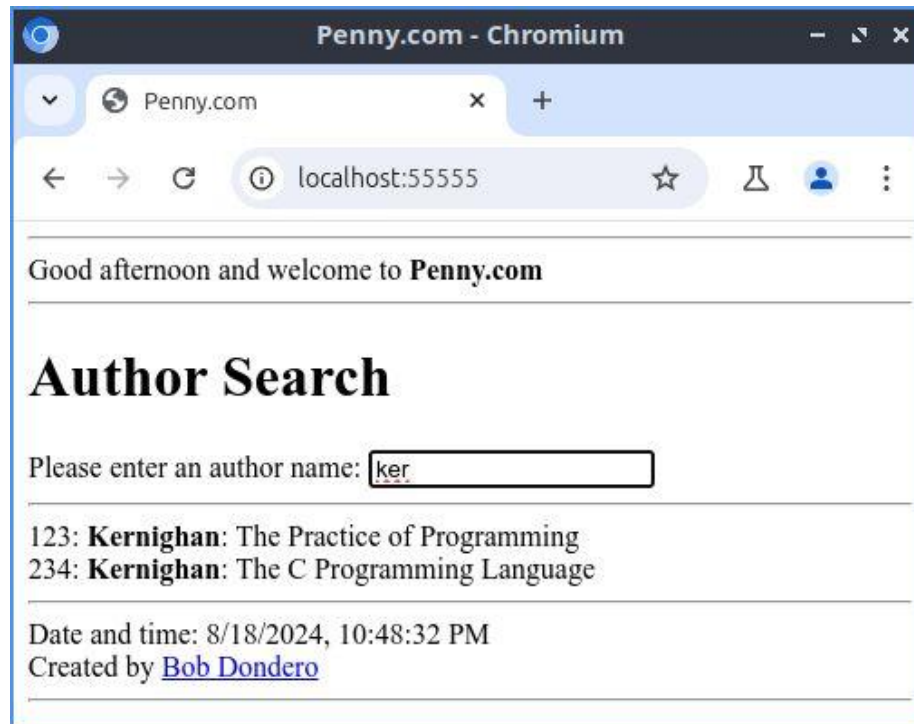
- Why study Java Swing
 - (Instead of some other GUI library)
 - I know it!
 - Popular
 - Bridges to Android programming

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Baseline

- See **PennyJson** app
 - (Almost) same as **PennyFlaskSpa** app from previous lecture



Baseline

- See **PennyJson** app (cont.)
 - runserver.py
 - penny.sql, penny.sqllite
 - database.py
 - index.html
 - Irrelevant for this lecture
 - **penny.py**
 - Added IO_DELAY via an environment variable
 - Simulates slow DB
 - Shows how client performs with I/O bound server

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Penny Desktop v1

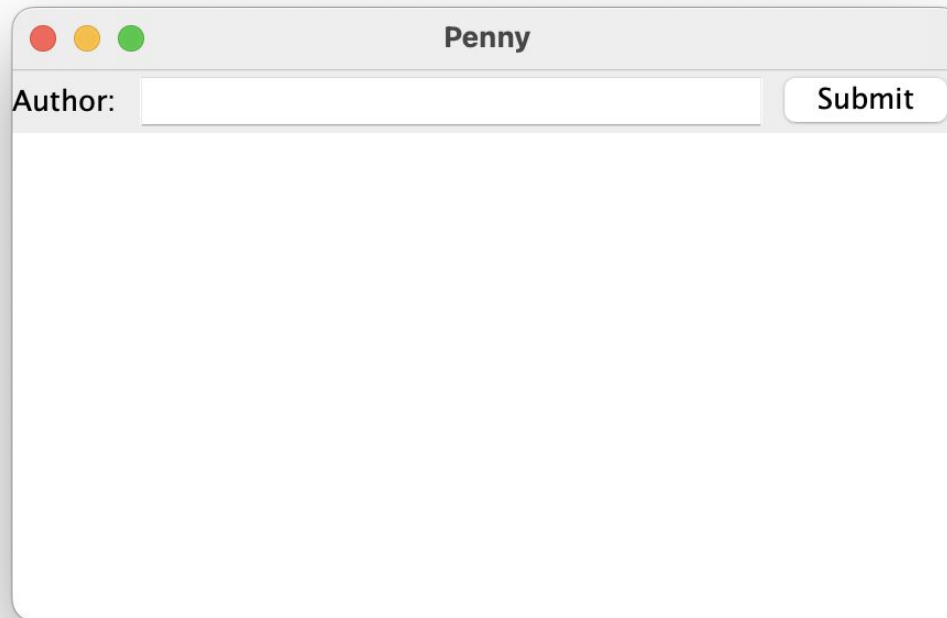
- Penny desktop v1

```
$ export IO_DELAY=1  
$ cd PennyJson  
$ python runserver.py 55555
```

```
$ cd PennySwing1  
$ ./runclient http://localhost:55555
```

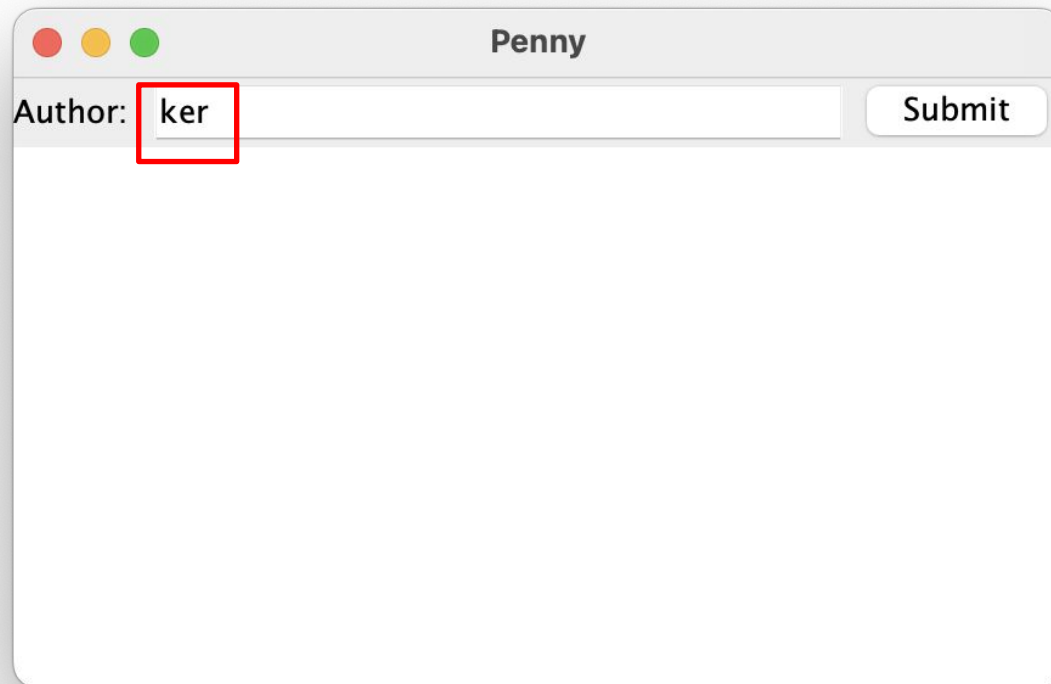
Penny Desktop v1

- Penny desktop v1 (cont.)



Penny Desktop v1

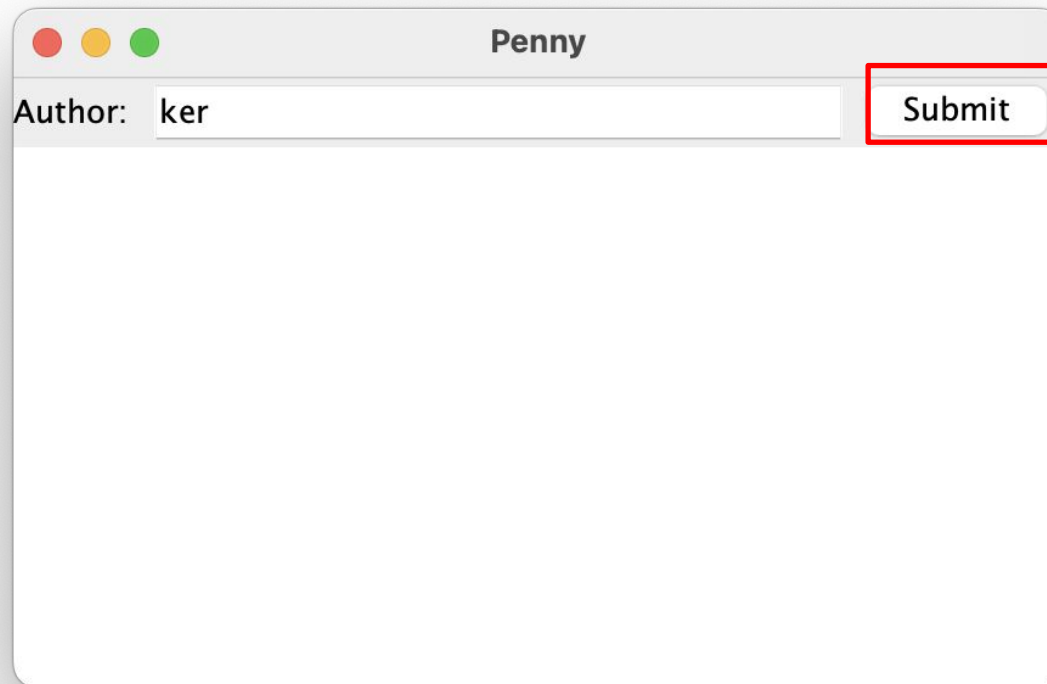
- Penny desktop v1 (cont.)



A screenshot of a desktop application window titled "Penny". The window has a standard macOS-style title bar with red, yellow, and green window control buttons on the left. Below the title bar, there is a text input field labeled "Author:" containing the text "ker". A red rectangular box highlights the text "ker" in the input field. To the right of the input field is a button labeled "Submit". The main area of the window is empty.

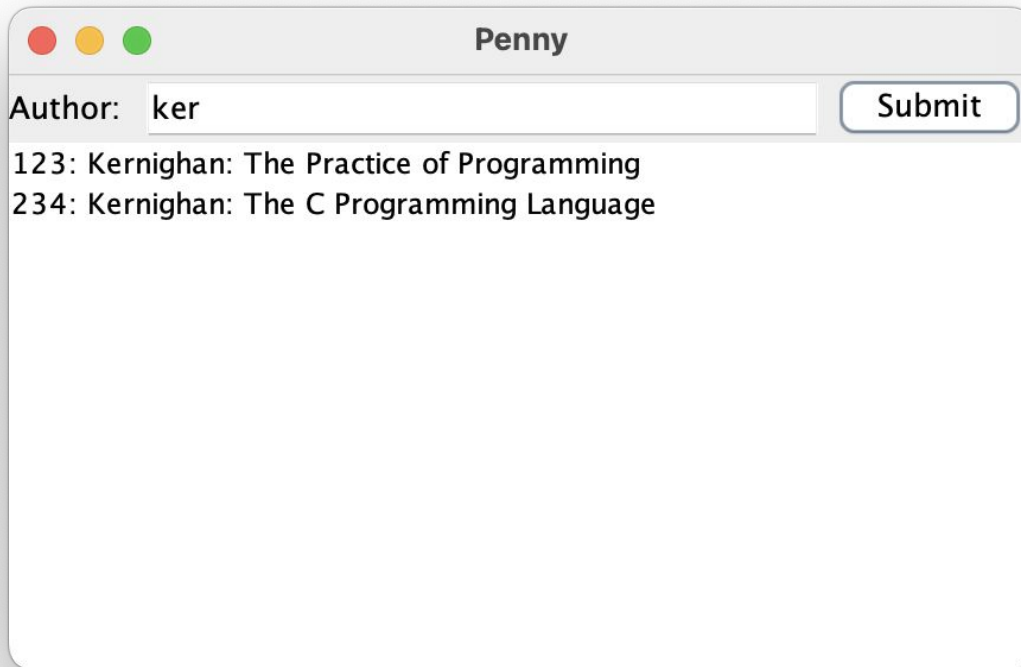
Penny Desktop v1

- Penny desktop v1 (cont.)



Penny Desktop v1

- Penny desktop v1 (cont.)

A screenshot of a desktop application window titled "Penny". The window has a standard macOS-style title bar with red, yellow, and green window control buttons. Below the title bar, there is a text input field labeled "Author:" containing the text "ker". To the right of the input field is a "Submit" button. Below the input field, there is a list of two items: "123: Kernighan: The Practice of Programming" and "234: Kernighan: The C Programming Language".

Penny

Author:

123: Kernighan: The Practice of Programming
234: Kernighan: The C Programming Language

After a
1 second
delay

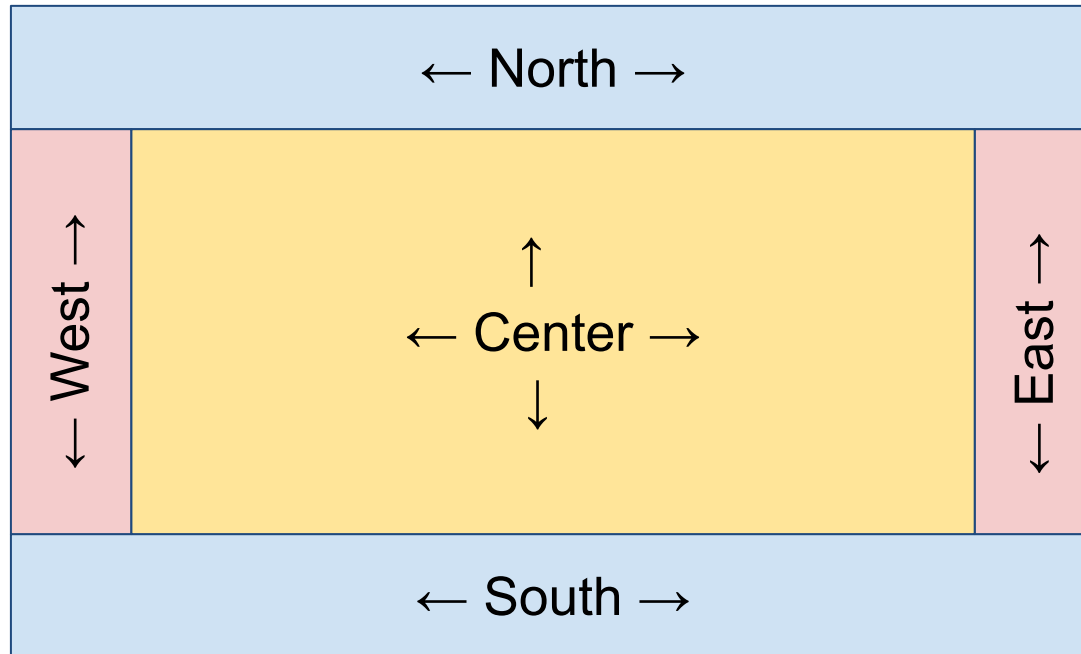
Penny Desktop v1

- Penny desktop v1 (cont.)
 - See **PennySwing1 app**

```
PennySwing1
  pom.xml
  runclient
  runclient.bat
  src
    main
      java
        edu
          princeton
            penny
              PennyDesktop.java
              PennyDesktopRunnable.java
```

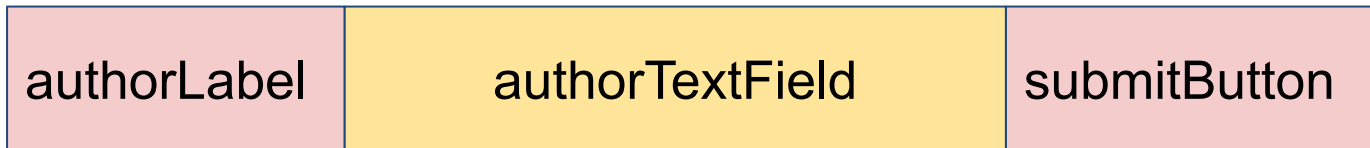
Penny Desktop v1

The Java Swing `BorderLayout` layout manager

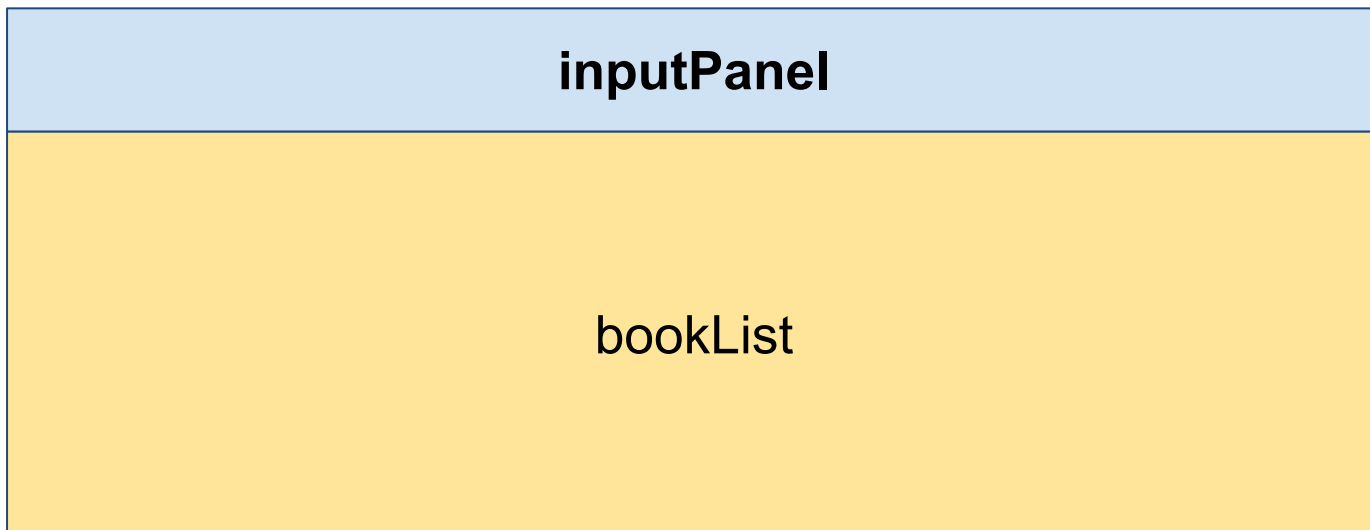


Penny Desktop v1

inputPanel



frame



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Penny Desktop v2

- Recall Penny desktop v1
 - **(maybe) Problem:**
 - Inconsistent window state after typing author and before clicking Submit button
 - **Solution: redesign...**
 - Eliminate Submit button
 - GUI refreshes with each keystroke

Penny Desktop v2

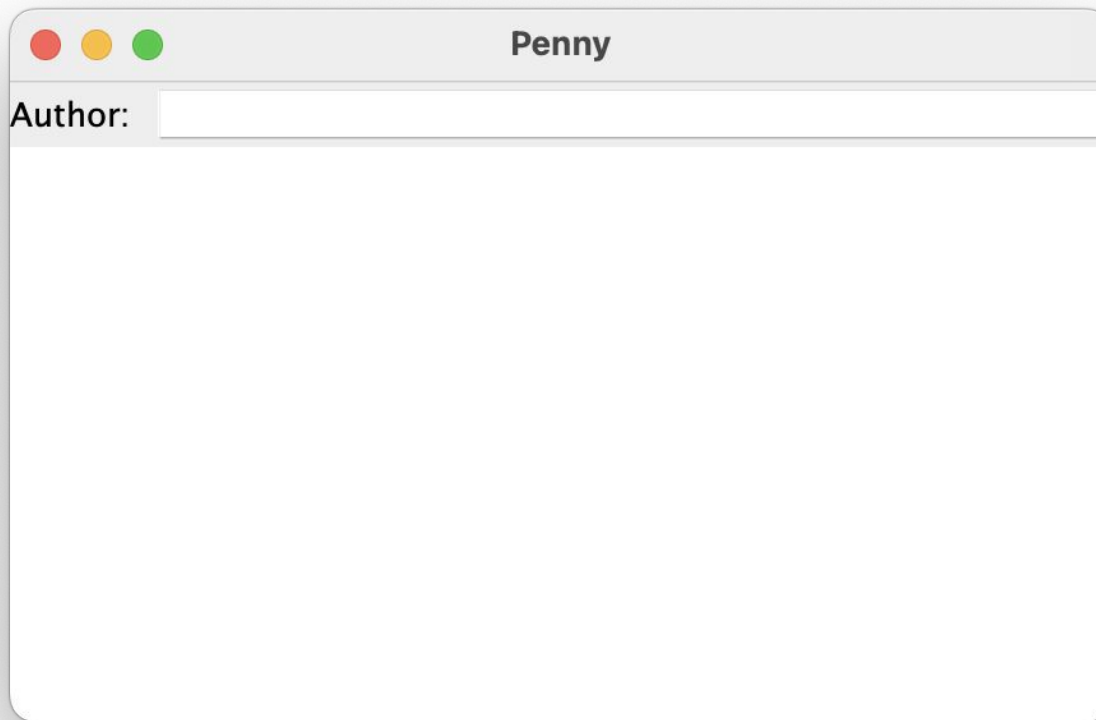
- Penny desktop v2

```
$ export IO_DELAY=1  
$ cd PennyJson  
$ python runserver.py 55555
```

```
$ cd PennySwing2  
$ ./runclient http://localhost:55555
```

Penny Desktop v2

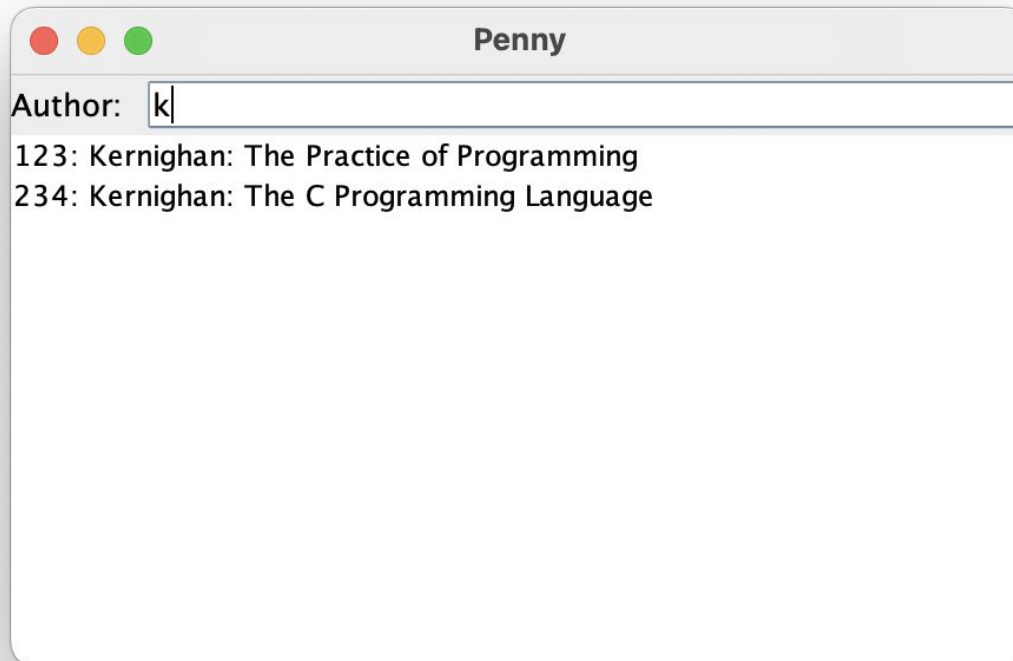
- Penny desktop v2 (cont.)



No
Button

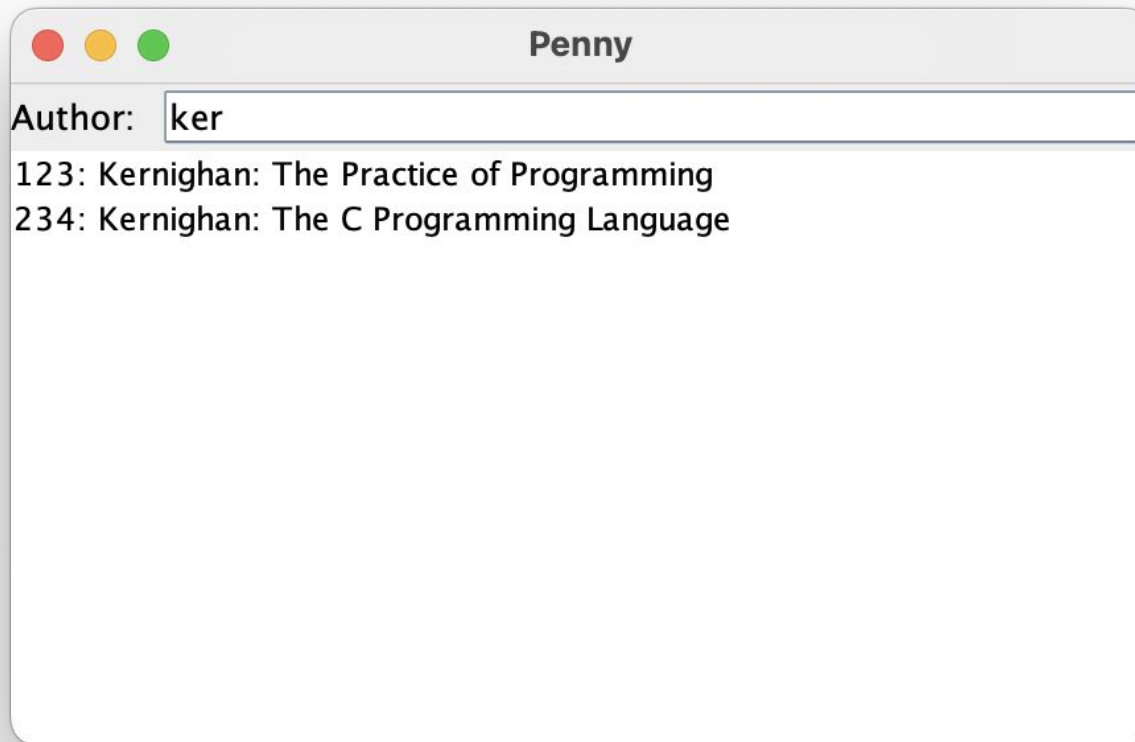
Penny Desktop v2

- Penny desktop v2 (cont.)



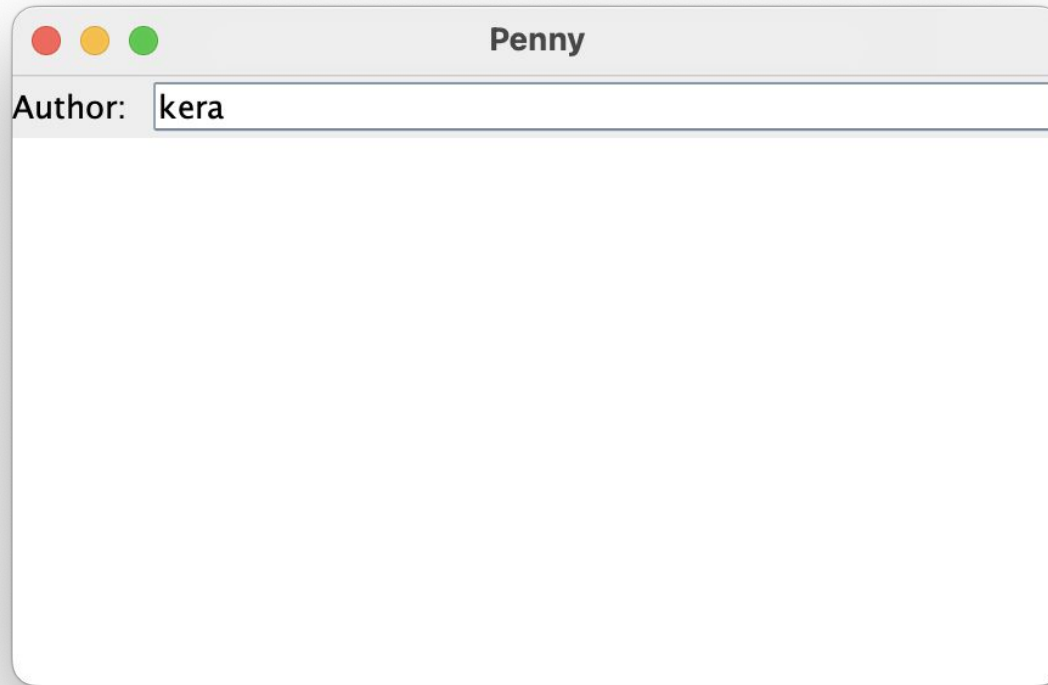
Penny Desktop v2

- Penny desktop v2 (cont.)



Penny Desktop v2

- Penny desktop v2 (cont.)



Penny Desktop v2

- Penny desktop v2 (cont.)
 - See **PennySwing2** app

```
PennySwing2
  pom.xml
  runclient
  runclient.bat
  src
    main
      java
        edu
          princeton
            penny
              PennyDesktop.java
              PennyDesktopRunnable.java
```

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Penny Desktop v3

- Recall Penny desktop v2
 - **Problem:**
 - Serious GUI lag
 - **Solution: redesign...**
 - Use threads!!!

Penny Desktop v3

- Penny desktop v3
 - See **PennySwing3** app

```
PennySwing3
  pom.xml
  runclient
  runclient.bat
  src
    main
      java
        edu
          princeton
            penny
              PennyDesktop.java
              PennyDesktopRunnable.java
              WorkerThread.java
```

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Penny Desktop v4

- Recall Penny desktop v3
- **Problem**
 - Worker thread updates GUI widgets
 - Only GUI thread should update GUI widgets
- **Solution**
 - Worker thread asks GUI thread to update GUI widgets

Penny Desktop v4

- Penny desktop v4
 - See **PennySwing4** app

```
PennySwing4
  pom.xml
  runclient
  runclient.bat
  src
    main
      java
        edu
          princeton
            penny
              PennyDesktop.java
              PennyDesktopRunnable.java
              WorkerThread.java
```

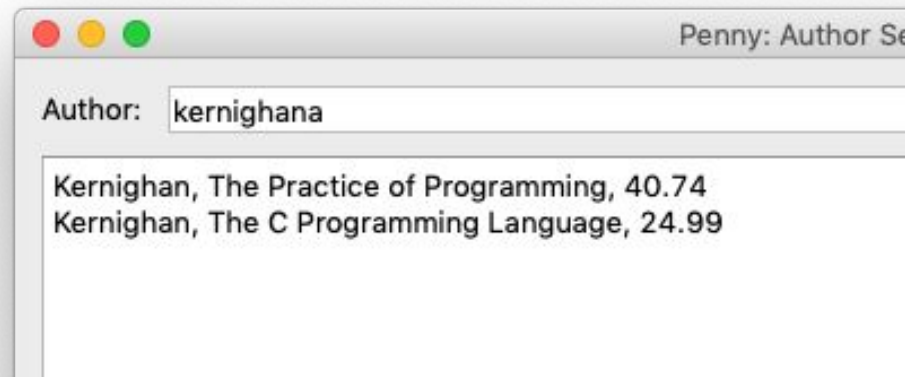
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Penny Desktop v5

- Recall Penny desktop v4
- **Problem:**
 - Server will respond to requests in arbitrary order

old
screen
shot



- **Solution:**
 - Abort previous request

Penny Desktop v5

- Penny desktop v5 (cont.)
 - See **PennySwing5** app

```
PennySwing5
  pom.xml
  runclient
  runclient.bat
  src
    main
      java
        edu
          princeton
            penny
              PennyDesktop.java
              PennyDesktopRunnable.java
              WorkerThread.java
```

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Penny Desktop v6

- Recall Penny desktop v5
- **Problem:**
 - Server could be overwhelmed with requests
- **Solution:**
 - *Debounce* the requests
- **Bonus:**
 - Reduces (but does not eliminate) the need to abort old requests!

Penny Desktop v6

- Penny desktop v6 (cont.)
 - See **PennySwing6** app

```
PennySwing6
  pom.xml
  runclient
  runclient.bat
  src
    main
      java
        edu
          princeton
            penny
              PennyDesktop.java
              PennyDesktopRunnable.java
              WorkerThread.java
```

Summary

- Note:
 - If a web application delivers JSON (instead of HTML), then...
 - The client reasonably can be:
 - A browser (running HTML/JavaScript code delivered by the server)
 - A desktop client

Objectives

So far:

Client	Browser + HTML + JavaScript Java + Swing
Server	Python + Flask Java + Servlets Java + Spring JavaScript + Express

Summary

- We have covered:
 - Desktop programming
 - A Penny **desktop** client
 - A desktop client that works with the Penny server
- See also:
 - **Appendix 1: Java Multithreaded Programming**

Appendix 1:

Java Multithreaded Programming

Java Multithreaded Programming

- Recall race.py

```
$ python race.py
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
8
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

```
$ python race.py
1
2
3
4
-1
5
6
-3
-5
-7
-9
7
8
9
10
Final balance: 10
$
```

```
$ python race.py
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
6
4
10
2
0
-2
Final balance: -2
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- See **Race.java**

```
$ java Race
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
0
-2
-4
-6
-8
9
10
Final balance: 10
$
```

```
$ java Race
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
0
-2
-4
9
10
-6
-8
Final balance: -10
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- Recall lockinuser.py

```
$ python lockinuser.py
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
8
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

```
$ python lockinuser.py
1
2
3
4
2
0
-2
-4
-6
-5
-4
-3
-2
-1
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- See **LockInUser.java**

```
$ java LockInUser
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
8
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

```
$ java LockInUser
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
8
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- Recall lockinresource.py

```
$ python lockinresource.py
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
8
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

```
$ python lockinresource.py
1
2
3
1
-1
-3
-5
-7
-6
-5
-4
-3
-2
-1
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- See **LockInResource.java**

```
$ java LockInResource
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
8  
6  
4  
2  
0
```

```
Final balance: 0
```

```
$
```

```
$ java LockInResource
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
8  
6  
4  
2  
0
```

```
Final balance: 0
```

```
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- Recall **conditions.py**

```
$ python conditions.py
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
8
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

```
$ python conditions.py
1
2
3
4
5
3
1
2
3
4
5
6
4
2
0
Final balance: 0
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- See **Conditions.java**

```
$ java Conditions
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
3
```

```
4
```

```
5
```

```
6
```

```
7
```

```
8
```

```
9
```

```
10
```

```
8
```

```
6
```

```
4
```

```
2
```

```
0
```

```
Final balance: 10
```

```
$
```

```
$ java Conditions
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
3
```

```
4
```

```
2
```

```
0
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
3
```

```
4
```

```
5
```

```
6
```

```
4
```

```
2
```

```
0
```

```
Final balance: 0
```

```
$
```

Java Multithreaded Programming

- Multithreaded programming across languages

	Language Support	Library Support
Python	no	yes
C	no	yes
Java	yes	yes
JavaScript	no	no