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Session: Elementary Graphics Events

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This works because the x,y coordinates are much smaller than 65536, and because `v` is an `int`. Thus integer division gets us back the integer quotient and the remainder on dividing by 65536.

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Program gets points by clicking. Places a circle at the clicked position to mark it. Then plots the best-fit line.

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To check if a button has been clicked, we merely check if the click coordinates lie inside the rectangle.

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- ▶ Above situations may arise in many programming projects; graphical input will thus be very useful.