

# Accessibility for Qt and KDE



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Orca!



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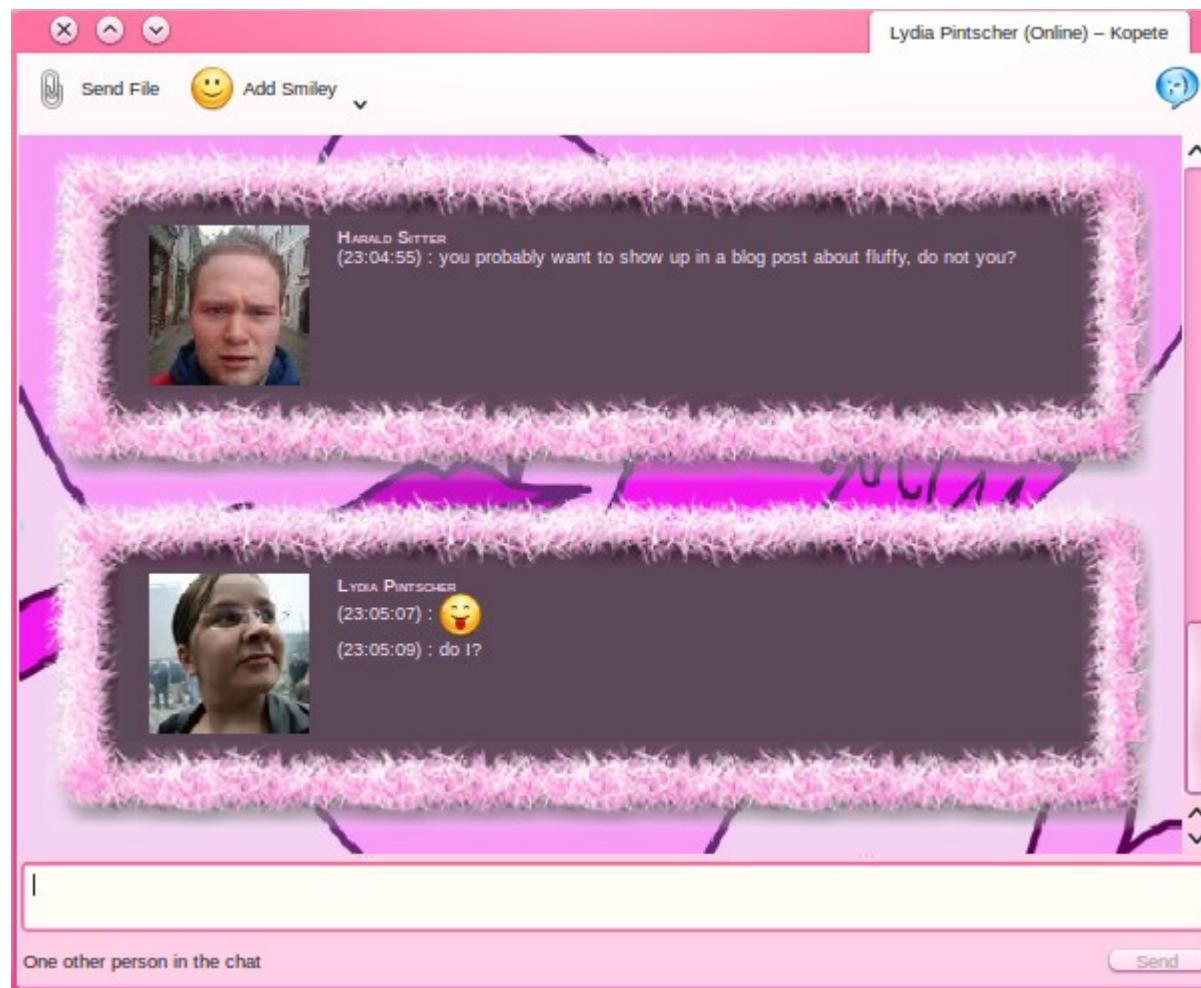
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# About me

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KDE  
(Parley, ghns, accessibility)  
Qt  
(accessibility, touch handling)

# About me



# Outline

why-what accessibility

the easy stuff (do it!)

assistive technology and apis

qt-at-spi

libkdeaccessibilityclient

conclusion





# Accessibility

degree to which a product, device, service, or environment is available to as many people as possible

Why?

Rules  
Laws  
Requirements

...

because we can

because we care



enable people  
inform  
participate

# KDE Accessibility

Font and color settings

KMouseTool

Magnification KMag (KWin)

Simon

Screen readers and APIs

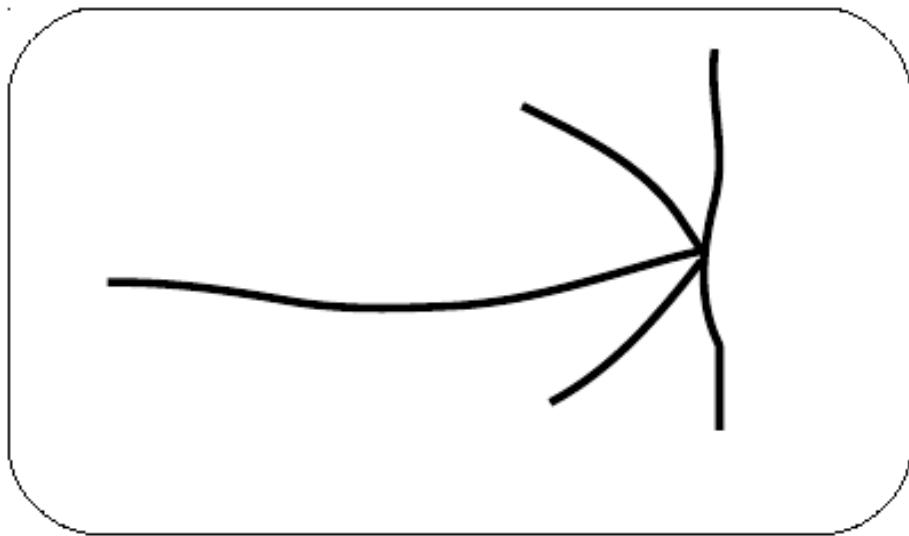
YOUR app

Colors

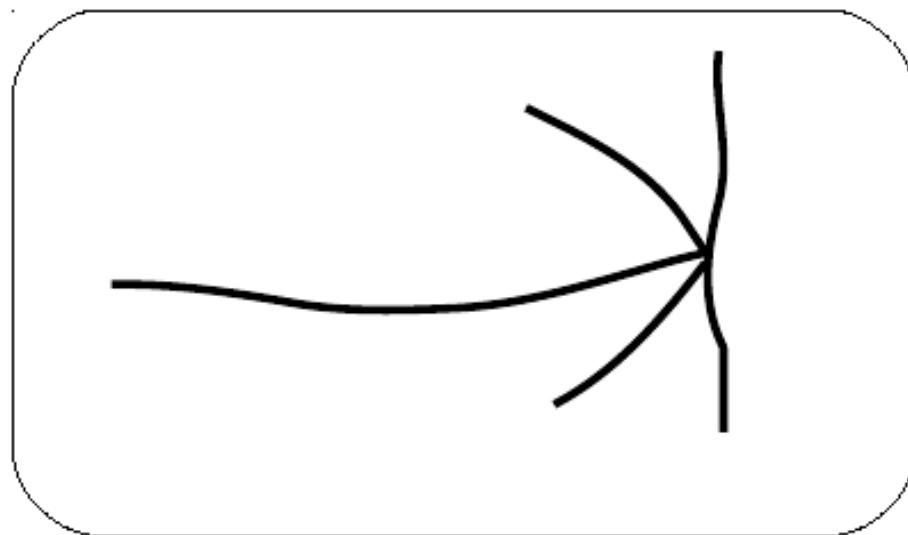
Fonts

Keyboard navigation

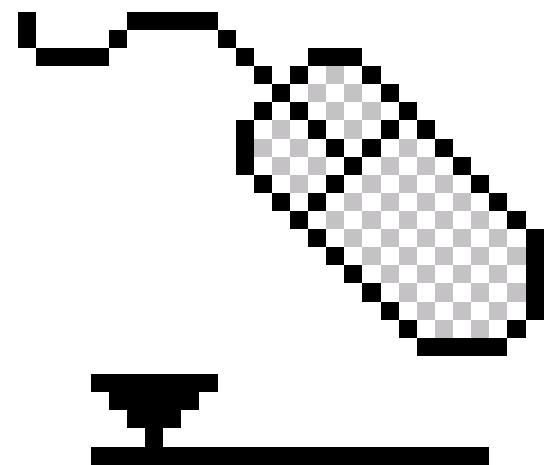
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# Keyboard navigation!



# KMouseTool



# Magnification

KMag updates

LibKdeAccessibilityClient

# Simon



# Assistive Technology

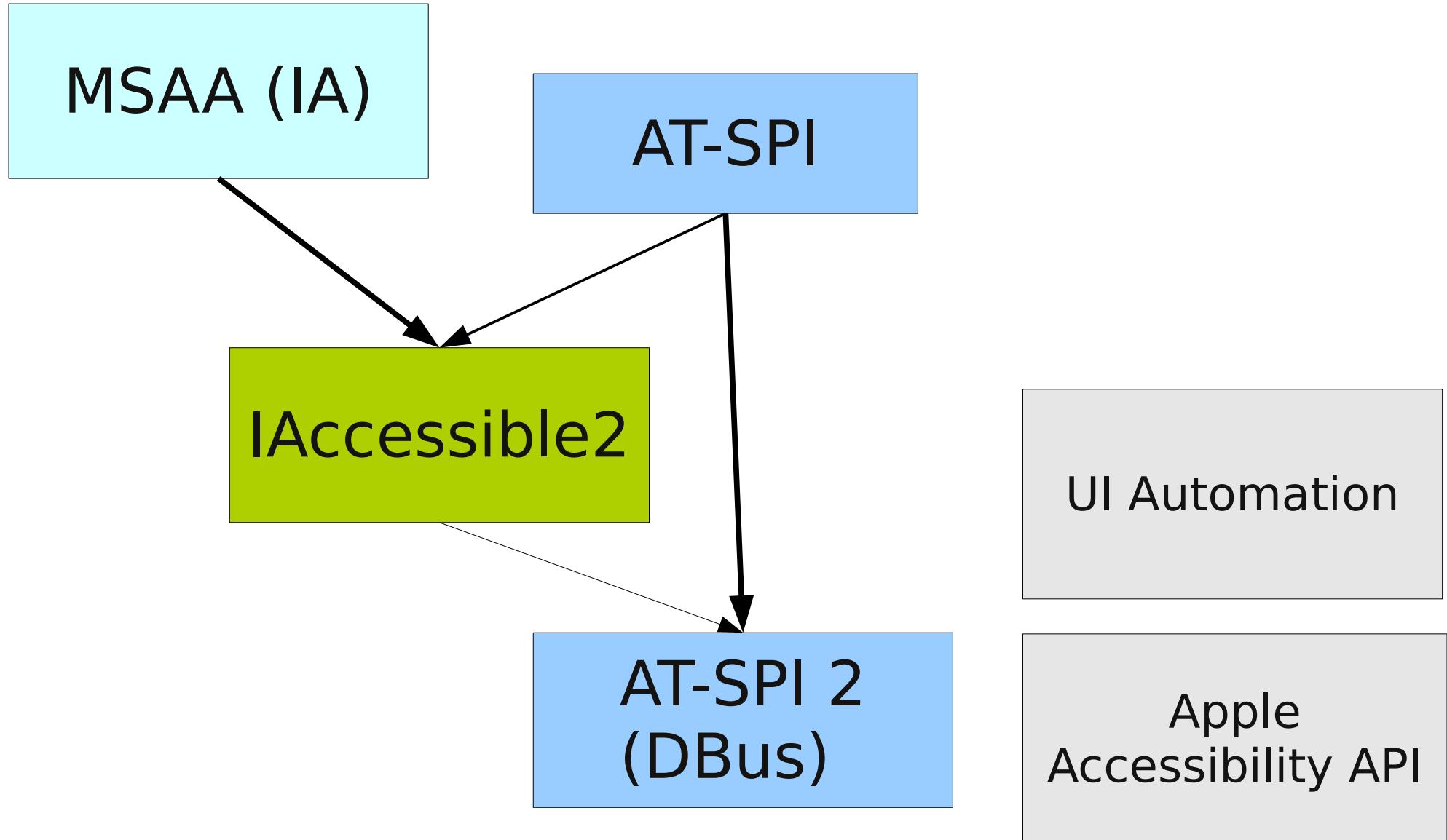
Virtual Keyboards

Screen Reader

Braille

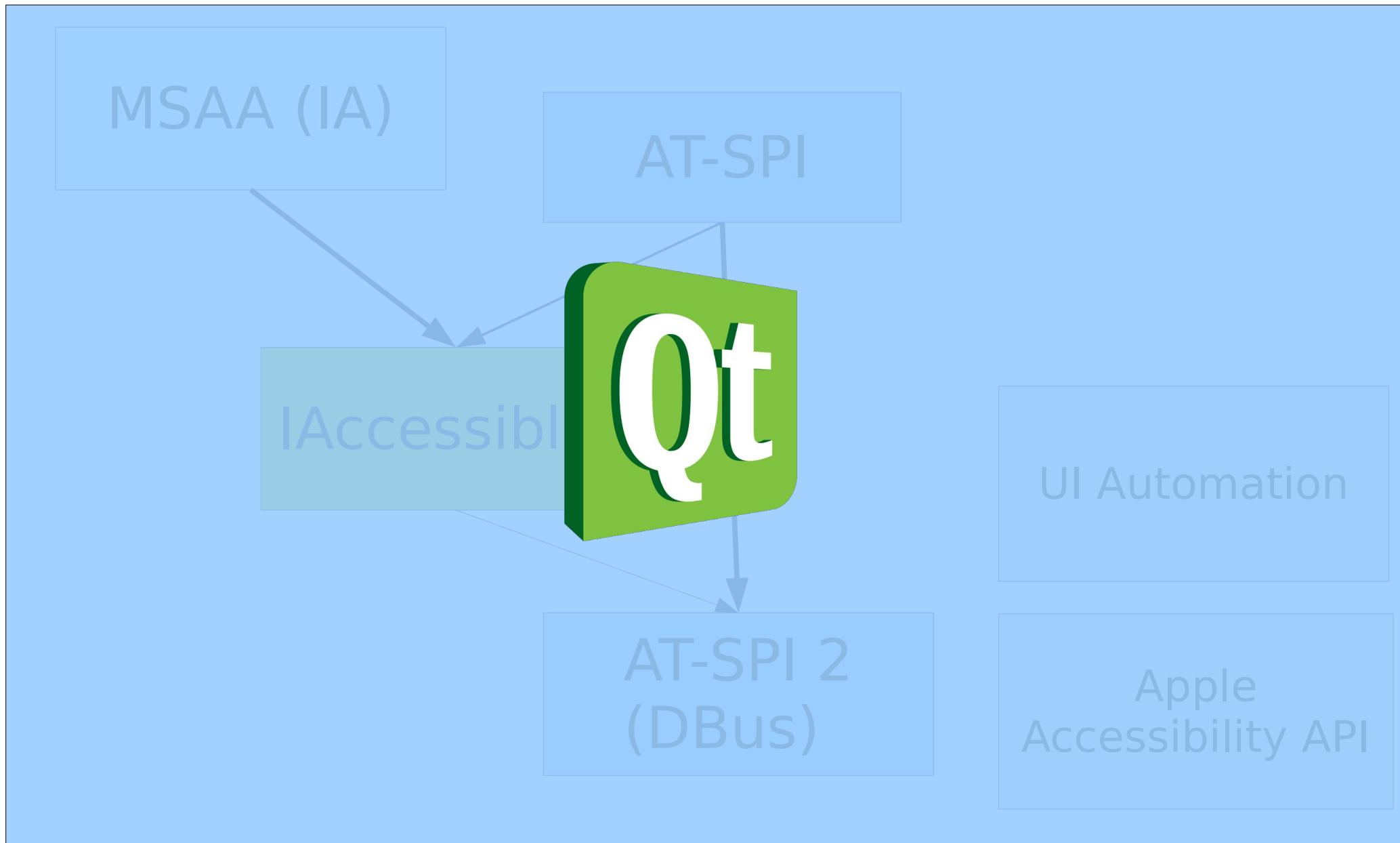


# Accessibility APIs





# Accessibility APIs



Why now?

# How to get it running?

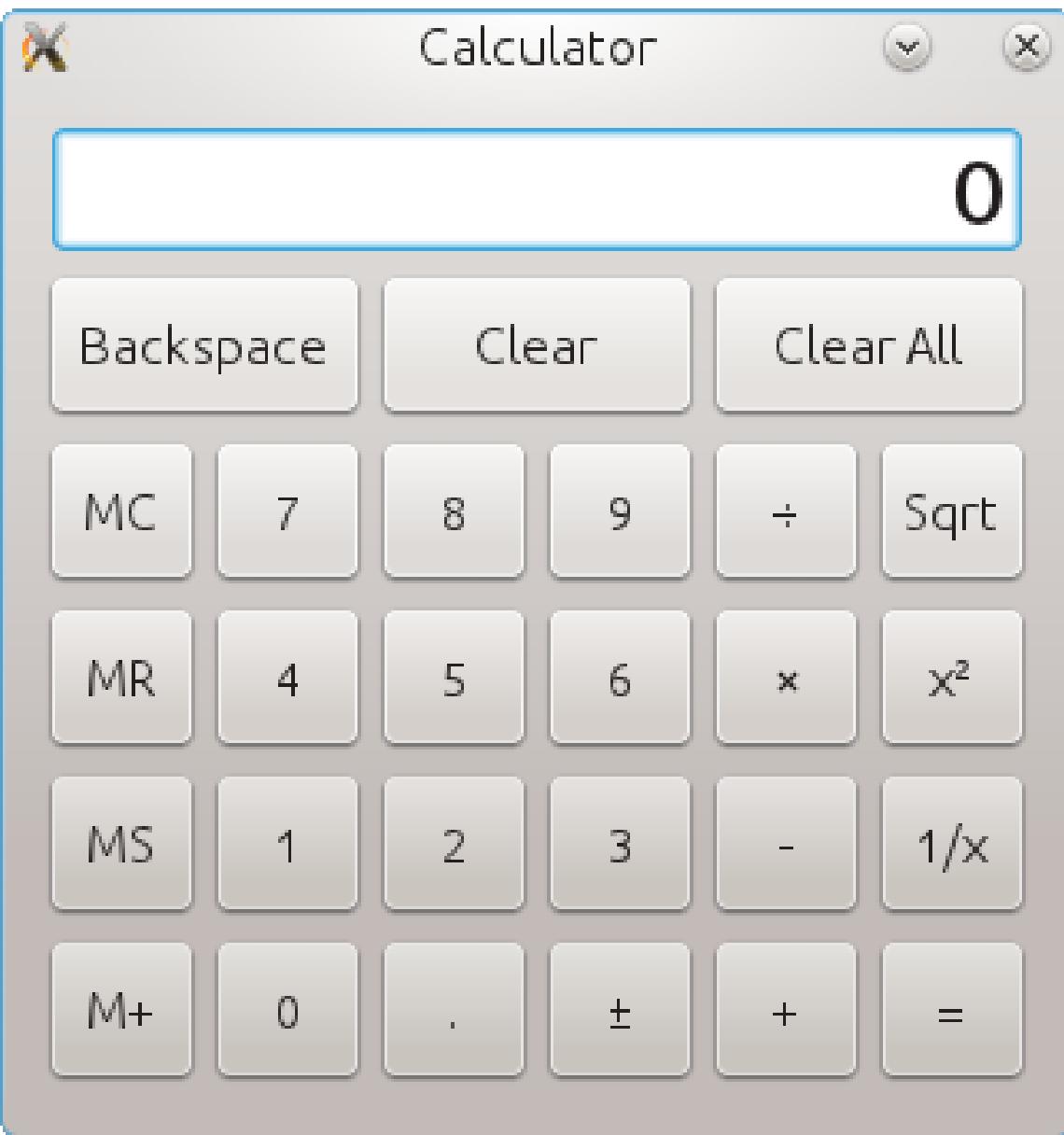
# qt-at-spi

Available in most distributions now

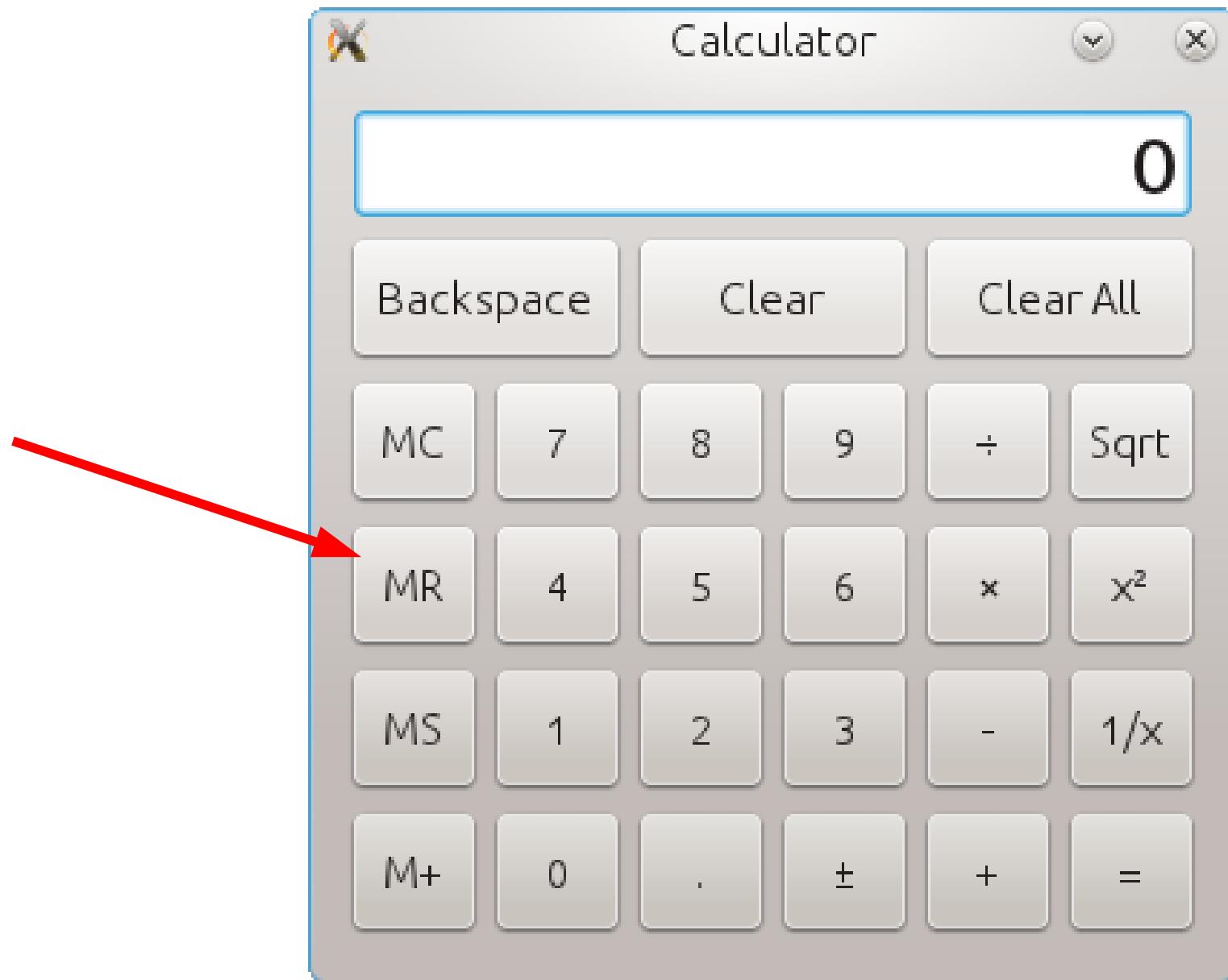
Qt 4: [projects.kde.org/qtatspi](http://projects.kde.org/qtatspi)

Qt 5: pending review to be integrated  
in QtBase

# Getting our hands dirty



Now do the keyboard thing again



**Let's fix it!**

We did it

designer  
code

code

```
widget->  
    setAccessibleName(i18n("next"));
```

# Do this at home

Have AT-SPI-2 running  
(bug your distro if not)

Grab Qt 4.8

Get qt-at-spi

[projects.kde.org/qtatspi](http://projects.kde.org/qtatspi)

# QAccessiblePlugin

## (for your custom widgets)

# LibKdeAccessibilityClient

(yes, for clients, like the name says!?!)

# KAccessible/Orca/KAccessible2 (better name anyone?)

# Challenges

Plasma  
Qt Quick 2  
Qt WebKit  
Virtual keyboard  
Input methods and touch

# Qt Quick 2

```
66         verticalScrollBar.value = verticalScrollBar.maximum  
67     }  
68  
69     Accessible.role: Accessible.EditableText  
70     Accessible.name: text  
71  
72     TextEdit {  
73         MouseArea {
```

Feedback and help appreciated

Go ahead, test with Orca



# Check your app!

- Colors, fonts

- Keyboard navigation

- Run with screen reader

# Questions?

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