

Procedural vs. Event-Driven Programming

- *Procedural programming* is executed in procedural order.
- In event-driven programming, code is executed upon activation of events.















Event Information

An event object contains whatever properties are pertinent to the event. You can identify the source object of the event using the getSource() instance method in the EventObject class. The subclasses of EventObject deal with special types of events, such as button actions, window events, mouse movements, and keystrokes. Table 16.1 lists external user actions, source objects, and event types generated.

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Selected User Actions and Handlers

User Action	Source Object	Event Type Fired	Event Registration Method	
Click a button	Button	ActionEvent	<pre>setOnAction(EventHandler<actionevent>)</actionevent></pre>	
Press Enter in a text field	TextField	ActionEvent	<pre>setOnAction(EventHandler<actionevent>)</actionevent></pre>	
Check or uncheck	RadioButton	ActionEvent	<pre>setOnAction(EventHandler<actionevent>)</actionevent></pre>	
Check or uncheck	CheckBox	ActionEvent	<pre>setOnAction(EventHandler<actionevent>)</actionevent></pre>	
Select a new item	ComboBox	ActionEvent	<pre>setOnAction(EventHandler<actionevent>)</actionevent></pre>	
Mouse pressed	Node, Scene	MouseEvent	<pre>setOnMousePressed(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>	
Mouse released			setOnMouseReleased(EventHandler <mouseevent>)</mouseevent>	
Mouse clicked			<pre>setOnMouseClicked(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>	
Mouse entered			<pre>setOnMouseEntered(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>	
Mouse exited			<pre>setOnMouseExited(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>	
Mouse moved			<pre>setOnMouseMoved(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>	
Mouse dragged			<pre>setOnMouseDragged(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>	
Key pressed	Node, Scene	KeyEvent	<pre>setOnKeyPressed(EventHandler<keyevent>)</keyevent></pre>	
Key released			<pre>setOnKeyReleased(EventHandler<keyevent>)</keyevent></pre>	
Key typed			<pre>setOnKeyTyped(EventHandTer<keyevent>)</keyevent></pre>	
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Anonymous Inner Classes

- □ An anonymous inner class must always extend a superclass or implement an interface, but it cannot have an explicit extends or implements clause.
- □ An anonymous inner class must implement all the abstract methods in the superclass or in the interface.
- □ An anonymous inner class always uses the no-arg constructor from its superclass to create an instance. If an anonymous inner class implements an interface, the constructor is Object().
- □ An anonymous inner class is compiled into a class named OuterClassName\$*n*.class. For example, if the outer class Test has two anonymous inner classes, these two classes are compiled into Test\$1.class and Test\$2.class.

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Simplifying Event Handing Using Lambda Expressions

Lambda expression is a new feature in Java 8. Lambda expressions can be viewed as an anonymous method with a concise syntax. For example, the following code in (a) can be greatly simplified using a lambda expression in (b) in three lines.



Basic Syntax for a Lambda Expression

The basic syntax for a lambda expression is either (type1 param1, type2 param2, ...) -> expression or

(type1 param1, type2 param2, ...) -> { statements; }

The data type for a parameter may be explicitly declared or implicitly inferred by the compiler. The parentheses can be omitted if there is only one parameter without an explicit data type.

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Single Abstract Method Interface (SAM)

The statements in the lambda expression is all for that method. If it contains multiple methods, the compiler will not be able to compile the lambda expression. So, for the compiler to understand lambda expressions, the interface must contain exactly one abstract method. Such an interface is known as a *functional interface*, or a *Single Abstract Method* (SAM) interface.

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The KeyEvent Class javafx.scene.input.KeyEvent +getCharacter(): String Returns the character associated with the key in this event. +getCode(): KeyCode Returns the key code associated with the key in this event. +getText(): String Returns a string describing the key code. +isAltDown(): boolean Returns true if the Alt key is pressed on this event. +isControlDown(): boolean Returns true if the Control key is pressed on this event. +isMetaDown(): boolean Returns true if the mouse Meta button is pressed on this event. Returns true if the Shift key is pressed on this event. +isShiftDown(): boolean

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The KeyCode Constants

Constant	Description	Constant	Description
HOME	The Home key	CONTROL	The Control key
END	The End key	SHIFT	The Shift key
PAGE_UP	The Page Up key	BACK_SPACE	The Backspace key
PAGE_DOWN	The Page Down key	CAPS	The Caps Lock key
UP	The up-arrow key	NUM_LOCK	The Num Lock key
DOWN	The down-arrow key	ENTER	The Enter key
LEFT	The left-arrow key	UNDEFINED	The keyCode unknown
RIGHT	The right-arrow key	F1 to F12	The function keys from F1 to F12
ESCAPE	The Esc key	0 to 9	The number keys from 0 to 9
ТАВ	The Tab key	A to Z	The letter keys from A to Z

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Listeners for Observable Objects

You can add a listener to process a value change in an observable object.

An instance of **Observable** is known as an *observable object*, which contains the **addListener(InvalidationListener listener**) method for adding a listener. Once the value is changed in the property, a listener is notified. The listener class should implement the **InvalidationListener** interface, which uses the **invalidated(Observable o)** method to handle the property value change. Every binding property is an instance of **Observable**.

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