

Objectives

- Event handling
- Design Patterns
 - Composition
 - Strategy

Other types of events

EVENT HANDLING

Window Events

- When a user closes a window, the window simply stops being displayed
 - Program does not end
- Suppose we want our program to end when a certain frame is closed
- Closing a frame is a **window event**
 - In contrast to an *action event*

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Catching Window Events

- To catch window events, create an object of a class that implements **WindowListener** interface
 - **WindowListener** is registered with frame using its **addWindowListener** method
- Note the parallels with action events
 - Different listener type and register it using a different (but similar) method call

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The WindowListener Interface

- Contains 7 methods
 - One for each type of window event
 - A class that implements WindowListener must implement all 7 methods

```
public interface WindowListener {
    void windowOpened(WindowEvent e);
    void windowClosing(WindowEvent e);
    void windowClosed(WindowEvent e);
    void windowIconified(WindowEvent e);
    void windowDeiconified(WindowEvent e);
    void windowActivated(WindowEvent e);
    void windowDeactivated(WindowEvent e);
}
```

Example: Implementing a WindowListener

What does this class do?

```
class Terminator implements WindowListener {
    public void windowClosing(WindowEvent evt) {
        System.exit(0);
    }

    public void windowOpened(WindowEvent e) {}
    public void windowClosed(WindowEvent e) {}
    public void windowIconified(WindowEvent e) {}
    public void windowDeiconified(WindowEvent e) {}
    public void windowActivated(WindowEvent e) {}
    public void windowDeactivated(WindowEvent e) {}
}
```

Adapter Classes

- Writing code for 6 methods that don't do anything is somewhat tedious
 - Eclipse helps
- Most AWT listener interfaces have a corresponding **adapter class**
 - Implements each of interface's methods but does nothing inside each
 - No adapter classes for AWT interfaces with only one method (such as `ActionListener`)

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Adapter Classes

- If you want a `WindowListener` class that does nothing with most window events
 - Create a new class that **extends** `WindowAdapter` and override relevant method(s)
- When is extending a class a problem?
 - How big of a concern is that for this specific case/type of class?

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Extending an Adapter Class

- Redefine `Terminator` in much less code...

```
class Terminator extends WindowAdapter {
    public void windowClosing(WindowEvent evt) {
        System.exit(0);
    }
    // all other methods are the same as in
    // WindowAdapter—all do nothing.
}
```

Registering a `WindowListener`

- Register `Terminator` to listen for window events
 - Assuming that our “main” window frame is named `frame`
- Result if `frame` is closed, the program should exit

```
WindowListener listener = new Terminator();
frame.addWindowListener(listener);
```

Alternative: Registering a WindowListener

```
frame.addWindowListener( new
    WindowAdapter() {
        public void windowClosing(WindowEvent evt) {
            System.exit(0);
        }
    } );
```

What is going on in this code?

TYPES OF EVENTS

AWT Event Hierarchy

- 10 different types of events in AWT
 - Semantic events
 - Low-level events

Rule of thumb: low-level events cause semantic events to happen

- Example:
 - Adjusting a scrollbar is a *semantic* event
 - Made possible by low-level events, such as dragging the mouse

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AWT Event Types: Semantic Events

- **Semantic event:** event that expresses what a user did

Type	Cause
ActionEvent	button click, menu selection, selecting a list item, pressing ENTER in a text field
AdjustmentEvent	User adjusted a scroll bar
ItemEvent	user made a selection from a set of checkboxes or list items
TextEvent	the contents of a text field or text area were changed

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AWT Event Types: Low-Level Events

- **Low-level event**: makes a semantic event possible

Type	Cause
ComponentEvent	component changed (resized, moved, shown, etc...)
KeyEvent	a key pressed or released
MouseEvent	mouse moved or dragged, or mouse button pressed
FocusEvent	component got or lost focus
WindowEvent	window activated, closed, etc.
ContainerEvent	component added or deleted

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AWT Event Listeners

- 11 Event Listener Interfaces
 - ActionListener, AdjustmentListener, ItemListener, TextListener, ComponentListener, ContainerListener, FocusListener, KeyListener, MouseListener, MouseMotionListener, and WindowListener
- See API for interfaces and their methods
- Each listener interface with > 1 method has a corresponding **adapter class**
 - Implements interface with all empty methods

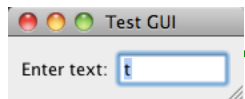
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Components and ComponentEvents

- A **component** is a user interface element
 - Examples: button, textfield, scrollbar
- All low-level events inherit from ComponentEvent
 - `getComponent()` returns component that originated event
 - Similar to `getSource()` but returns object as a Component and not an Object
- Ex: A user inputs text into a text field, generating a key event. Calling `getComponent()` on the event returns a reference to that text field



`event.getComponent()`

`javax.swing.JTextField[,75,5,87x28, ...`

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Containers and ContainerEvents

- A **container** is a screen area or component
 - Can contain components, such as a panel
- A **ContainerEvent** is generated whenever a component is added or removed from the container
 - Supports dynamically-changing user interfaces

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FocusEvents

- A **FocusEvent** is generated when a component gains or loses focus
- **FocusListener** must implement two methods:
 - **focusGained()**: called whenever listener's event source gains focus
 - **focusLost()**: called whenever listener's event source loses focus

KeyEvents

- A **KeyEvent** is generated when a key is pressed or released
- A **KeyListener** must implement 3 methods:
 - **keyPressed()** will run whenever a key is pressed
 - **keyReleased()** will run whenever that key is released
 - **keyTyped()** combines the two above
 - Runs when key is pressed and then released
 - Signifies a keystroke

KeyEvents

- Any **Component** can be an *event source* for a **KeyEvent**
 - A component generates a **KeyEvent** whenever a key is typed in that component
- Example:
 1. User types into a text field
 2. That text field generates appropriate **KeyEvents**

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MouseEvents

- **MouseEvents** are generated like **KeyEvents**
 - `mousePressed()`
 - `mouseReleased()`
 - `mouseClicked()`
 - You can ignore first 2 if you only care about clicking
- Call `getClickCount()` on a **MouseEvent** object to distinguish between a single and a double click
- Distinguish between mouse buttons by calling `getModifiers()` on a **MouseEvent** object
 - E.g., middle button

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MouseEvents

- **MouseEvents** are also generated when mouse pointer enters and leaves components (`mouseenter()` and `mouseleave()`)
 - Part of `MouseListener` interface
- Actual movement of mouse is handled with `MouseMotionListener` interface
 - Most applications only care about where you click and not how and where you move mouse pointer around

DESIGN PATTERNS

Design Pattern

General reusable solution to a commonly occurring problem in software design

- Not a finished design that can be transformed directly into code
- Description or *template* for how to solve a problem that can be used in many different situations
 - “Experience reuse” rather than code reuse

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Defined Design Patterns

- Software best practices
- Catalogued and discussed in *Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software*
 - Written by the “**Gang of Four**”:
Erich Gamma, Richard Helm, Ralph Johnson and John Vlissides
 - Erich Gamma also co-wrote JUnit framework
 - Didn’t design the patterns; identified them

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Understanding Code

1. Recognize design pattern in code base you're using
2. Understand code design better

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Applying Design Patterns

1. Recognize problem as one that can be solved by a design pattern
2. Apply pattern to your problem

Danger: over-applying design patterns
➤ Fall back: Identify and resolve code smells

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