

# Event-Driven Programming

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#### Procedural vs. Event-

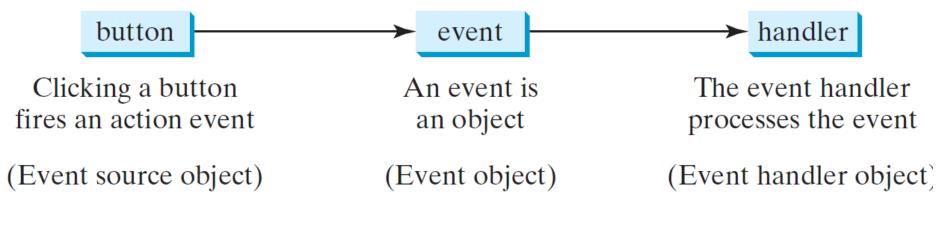
#### **Driven Programming**

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



## Handling GUI Events

- Source object (e.g., button)
- Listener object contains a method for processing the event.



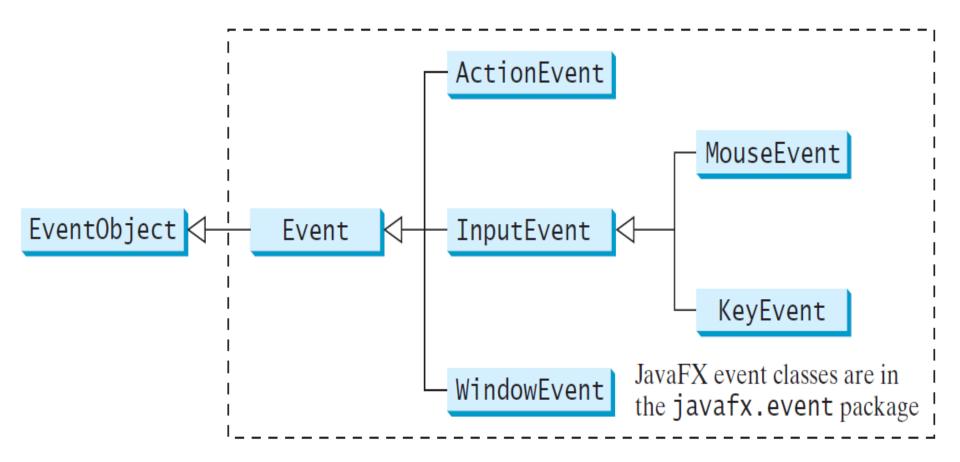


#### **Events**

- An *event* can be defined as a type of signal to the program that something has happened.
- The event is generated by external user actions such as mouse movements, mouse clicks, or keystrokes.



#### **Event Classes**





### **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, component events, mouse movements, and keystrokes.

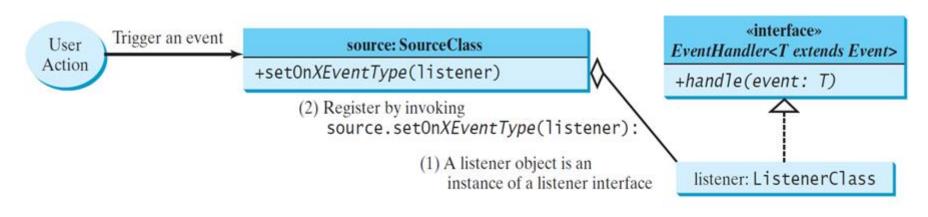


#### **Selected User Actions and**

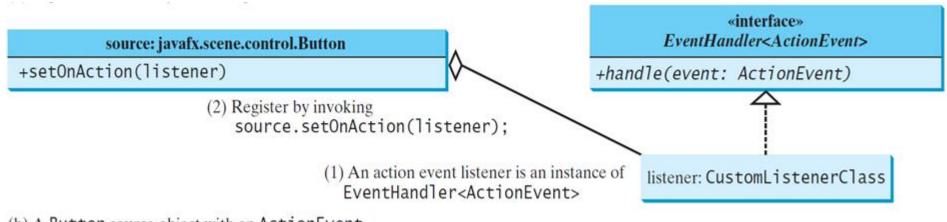
#### Handlers

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			<pre>setOnMouseReleased(EventHandler<mouseevent>)</mouseevent></pre>
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			setOnKeyTyped(EventHandler <keyevent>)</keyevent>

### **The Delegation Model**



(a) A generic source object with a generic event T



(b) A Button source object with an ActionEvent



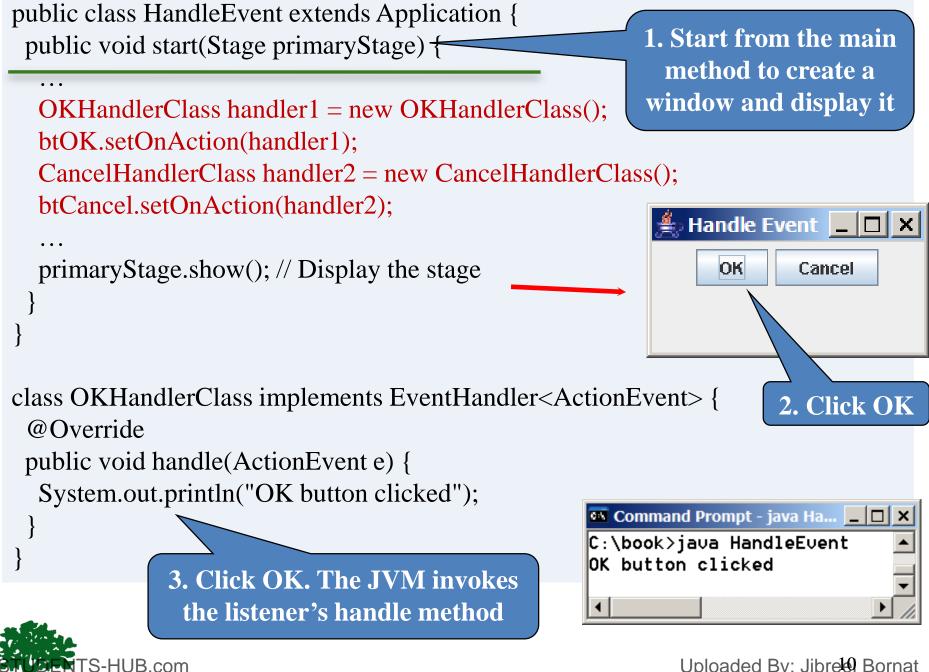
#### The Delegation Model: Example

#### Button btOK = new Button("OK");

#### OKHandlerClass handler = new OKHandlerClass();

btOK.**setOnAction**(handler);





### Example: ControlCircle

Now let us consider to write a program that uses two buttons to control the size of a circle.

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Enlarge Shrink	Enlarge Shrink

#### **Inner Class Listeners**

- A listener class is designed specifically to create a listener object for a GUI component (e.g., a button).
- It will not be shared by other applications.
- So, it is appropriate to define the listener class inside the frame class as an inner class.



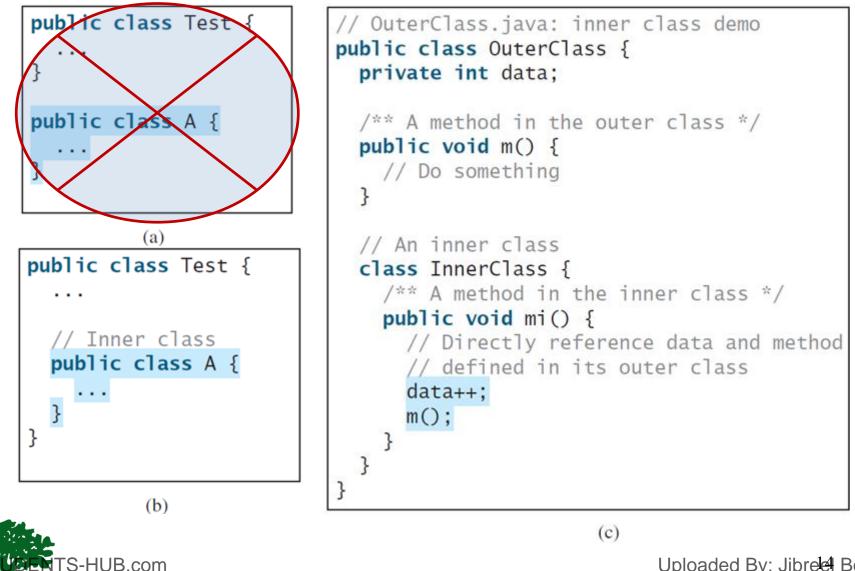
#### **Inner Classes**

Inner class: A class is a member of another class.

- Advantages: In some applications, you can use an inner class to make programs simple:
  - An inner class can reference the data and methods defined in the outer class in which it nests, so you do not need to pass the reference of the outer class to the constructor of the inner class.



#### Inner Classes cont.



#### Inner Classes cont.

- Inner classes can make programs simple and concise.
- An inner class supports the work of its containing outer class and is compiled into a class named
  - *OuterClassName*\$*InnerClassName*.class.
  - For example, the inner class InnerClass in OuterClass is compiled into OuterClass\$InnerClass.class.



#### Inner Classes cont.

- An inner class can be declared **public**, **protected**, or **private** subject to the same visibility rules applied to a member of the class.
- An inner class can be declared **static**.
- A static inner class can be accessed using the outer class name.
- A static inner class cannot access non-static members of the outer class



## **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.

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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.

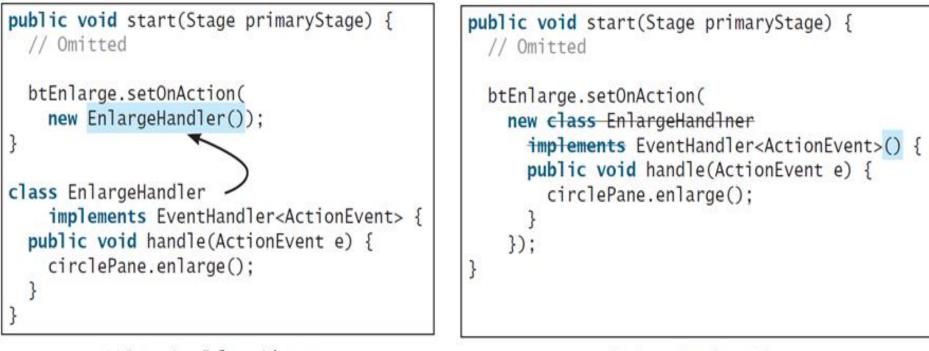
### Anonymous Inner Classes cont.

- Inner class listeners can be shortened using anonymous inner classes.
- An anonymous inner class is an inner class without a name.
- It combines declaring an inner class and creating an instance of the class in one step.
- An anonymous inner class is declared as follows:

new SuperClassName/InterfaceName() {
 // Implement or override methods in superclass or interface
 // Other methods if necessary



### Anonymous Inner Classes cont.



(a) Inner class EnlargeListener

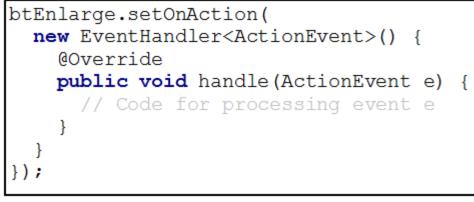
(b) Anonymous inner class

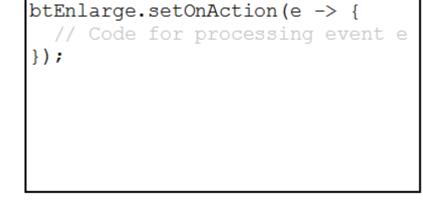


## Simplifying Event Handing Using

#### 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.





(b) Lambda expression event handler

(a) Anonymous inner class event handler

```
public class LambdaHandlerDemo extends Application {
  @Override // Override the start method in the Application class
  public void start(Stage primaryStage) {
   // Hold two buttons in an HBox
   HBox hBox = new HBox():
   hBox.setSpacing(10);
   hBox.setAlignment(Pos.CENTER):
   Button btNew = new Button("New");
    Button btOpen = new Button("Open");
   Button btSave = new Button("Save");
   Button btPrint = new Button("Print");
   hBox.getChildren().addAll(btNew, btOpen, btSave, btPrint);
   // Create and register the handler
   btNew.setOnAction((ActionEvent e) -> {
      System.out.println("Process New");
   });
   btOpen.setOnAction((e) -> {
      System.out.println("Process Open");
   }):
   btSave.setOnAction(e -> {
      System.out.println("Process Save");
   });
```

btPrint.setOnAction(e -> System.out.println("Process Print"));



#### **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.



#### 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.

#### MouseEvent

#### javafx.scene.input.MouseEvent

+getButton(): MouseButton +getClickCount(): int +getX(): double +getY(): double +getSceneX(): double +getSceneY(): double +getScreenX(): double +getScreenY(): double +isAltDown(): boolean +isControlDown(): boolean +isMetaDown(): boolean +isShiftDown(): boolean

Indicates which mouse button has been clicked. Returns the number of mouse clicks associated with this event. Returns the *x*-coordinate of the mouse point in the event source node. Returns the *y*-coordinate of the mouse point in the event source node. Returns the *x*-coordinate of the mouse point in the scene. Returns the *y*-coordinate of the mouse point in the scene. Returns the *x*-coordinate of the mouse point in the screen. Returns the *y*-coordinate of the mouse point in the screen. Returns true if the Alt key is pressed on this event. Returns true if the **Control** key is pressed on this event. Returns true if the mouse Meta button is pressed on this event. Returns true if the Shift key is pressed on this event.



### **The KeyEvent Class**

#### javafx.scene.input.KeyEvent

+getCharacter(): String
+getCode(): KeyCode
+getText(): String
+isAltDown(): boolean
+isControlDown(): boolean
+isMetaDown(): boolean
+isShiftDown(): boolean

Returns the character associated with the key in this event. Returns the key code associated with the key in this event. Returns a string describing the key code. Returns true if the Alt key is pressed on this event. Returns true if the Control key is pressed on this event. Returns true if the mouse Meta button is pressed on this event. Returns true if the Shift key is pressed on this event.



#### 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 <b>keyCode</b> unknown
RIGHT	The right-arrow key	F1 to F12	The function keys from F1 to F12
ESCAPE	The Esc key	<b>0</b> to <b>9</b>	The number keys from 0 to 9
TAB	The Tab key	A to Z	The letter keys from A to Z



#### **Case Study: Bouncing Ball**

