Listening to events on GUIs

Sec. 17.4 contains this material. Corresponding lectures on ProgramLive CD is a better way to learn the material.

Top finalists from a real-life "Dilbert quotes contest"

As of tomorrow, employees will be able to access the building only using individual security cards. Pictures will be taken next Wednesday and employees will receive their cards in two weeks." (Fred Dales, Microsoft)

I need an exact list of specific unknown problems we might encounter. (Lykes Lines Shipping)

Email is not to be used to pass on information or data. It should be used only for company business. (Accounting manager, Electric Boat Company)

This project is so important, we can't let things that are more important interfere with it. (Advertising/Marketing manager, United Parcel Service)

Doing it right is no excuse for not meeting the schedule. (Plant manager, Delco Corporation)

```
/** Sort b[h..k]. */
                                                      Quicksort
public void qsort(int b[], int h, k) {
                                            Call qsort(b, 0, n-1)
  if (k+1 - h \le 2) return;
                                             execution time:
  int j= partition(b, h, k);
                                             Worst-case: On the order
                                             of n<sup>2</sup> swaps.
                                             Average case: On the order
                                            of n * log n swaps
 // Sort b[h..j-1]; Sort b[j+1..k];
                                     /** Let x be the value initially in
 asort(b, h, i-1):
                                         b[h]. Permute b[h..k] and return
                                         a value j that satisfies
 qsort(b, j+1, k);
                                                j
x
                                         Precondition k+1-h >= 2. */
                                     public static int partition(int[][] b,
                                                              int h, int k)
```



F.L. Bauer, my thesis advisor

Occasion in Oct 2007: 40th anniversary of the Informatics Dept, Technical University Munich, where I got my Dr. rer. nat. in 1966. Hoare and I were the main speakers.

Here, we are in the Deutches Museum: Bauer was instrumental in creating the history of computers exhibit.

Zuse 4 computer. The first electronic computer was developed by Konrad Zuse, late 1930's

My first computer (1960)



Listening to events: mouseclick, mouse movement into or out of a window, a keystroke, etc.

- An event is a mouseclick, a mouse movement into or out of a window, a keystroke, etc.
- To be able to "listen to" a kind of event, you have to
 - 1. Write a method that will listen to the event.
 - 2. Let Java know that the method is defined in the class.
 - 3. Register an instance of the class that contains the method as a listener for the event.

We show you how to do this for clicks on buttons, clicks on components, and keystrokes.

```
I. Write the procedure to be called when a button is clicked.:
                                                       Listening to
     /** Process click of button */
                                                            a Button
     public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent ae) {
    }
2. Have the class implement interface ActionListener —write the class heading as
  public class C extends |Frame implements ActionListener {
                                                 We have not discussed
                                                interfaces, and we won't.
  }
                                                       Wait for CS 211!
3. Add an instance of this class as an "action listener" for the button:
     button.addActionListener(this);
```

```
import javax.swing.*; import java.awt.*; import java.awt.event.*;

/** An instance has two buttons. Exactly one is always enabled. */

public class ButtonDemol extends JFrame

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/** Class invariant: exactly one of eastB and westB is enabled */
private JButton estB= new JButton("west");
private JButton estB= new JButton("west");
   private JButton eastB= new JButton("east");
                                                                        /** Constructor: frame with title t & two buttons */
   public ButtonDemo1(String t) {
                                                                       west
                                                                                    east
     super(t);
     Container cp= getContentPane();
cp.add(westB, BorderLayout.WEST);
                                                    /** Process a click of a button */
     cp.add(eastB, BorderLayout.EAST);
                                                       westB.setEnabled(false);
                                                         boolean b= eastB.isEnabled();
     eastB.setEnabled(true);
     westB.addActionListener(\textbf{this});\\ eastB.addActionListener(\textbf{this});\\
                                                         eastB setEnabled(!b):
                                                          westB.setEnabled(b);
     pack():
                                                                red: listening
     setVisible(true);
                                                                blue: placing
```

A JPanel that is painted

- The content pane has a JPanel in its CENTER and a "reset" button in its SOUTH.
- The JPanel has a horizontal box b, which contains two vertical Boxes.
- Each vertical Box contains two instances of class Square.
- Click a Square that has no pink circle, and a pink circle is drawn.
 Click a square that has a pink circle, and the pink circle disappears.
 Click the rest button and all pink circles disappear.
- This GUI has to listen to:
 (1) a click on a Button
 (2) a click on a Square

these are different kinds of events, and they need different listener methods

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```
/** An instance is a JPanel of size (WIDTH, HEIGHT). Green
or red depending on whether the sum of constructor parameters is even or odd. .. */
                                                                    Class
public class Square extends JPanel {
                                                                 Square
 public static final int HEIGHT= 70; // height and
 public static final int WIDTH= 70; // width of square
 private int x, y; // Coordinates of square on board
 private boolean hasDisk= false; // = "square has pink disk'
 /** Constructor: a square at (x,y) */
 public Square(int x, int v) {
   this.x = x; this.y = y;
   setPreferredSize(new Dimension(WIDTH,HEIGHT));
 /** Complement the "has pink disk" property */
 public void complementDisk() {
   hasDisk=! hasDisk:
   repaint(); // Ask the system to repaint the square
                                                 continued on next page
```

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continuation of class Square
                                                                   Class
                                                                  Square
/* paint this square using g. System calls
   paint whenever square has to be redrawn.*/
                                                   /** Remove pink disk
 public void paint(Graphics g) {
                                                       (if present) */
  \textbf{if} \ ((x+y)\%2 == 0) \ g.setColor(Color.green); \\
                                                   public void clearDisk() {
  else g.setColor(Color.red);
                                                     hasDisk= false;
                                                     // Ask system to
  g.fillRect(0, 0, WIDTH-1, HEIGHT-1);
                                                     // repaint square
  if (hasDisk) {
                                                     repaint();
    g.setColor(Color.pink);
    g.fillOval(7, 7, WIDTH-14, HEIGHT-14);
  g.setColor(Color.black);
  g.drawRect(0, 0, WIDTH-1, HEIGHT-1);
  g.drawString("("+x+", "+y+")", 10, 5+HEIGHT/2);
```

```
A class that listens to a
import javax.swing.*:
import javax.swing.event.*; mouseclick in a Square
import java.awt.*;
                                  red: listening
import java.awt.event.*;
                                  blue: placing
/** Contains a method that responds to a
  mouse click in a Square */
public class MouseEvents
                                                This class has several methods
           extends MouseInputAdapter {
                                                 (that do nothing) that process
  // Complement "has pink disk" property
                                                               mouse events:
  public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent e) {
                                                mouse click
    Object ob= e.getSource();
                                                mouse press
    if (ob instanceof Square) {
                                                mouse enters component
       ((Square)ob).complementDisk();\\
                                                mouse leaves component
                                                mouse dragged beginning in
  }
}
        Our class overrides only the method that processes mouse clicks
```

```
public class MouseDemo2 extends JFrame
                                             jb.addActionListener(this);
            implements ActionListe
                                             b00.addMouseListener(me):
 Box b= new Box(BoxLayout.X_AXIS);
                                             b01.addMouseListener(me);
 Box leftC= new Box(BoxLayout.Y_AXIS);
                                             b10.addMouseListener(me);
 Square b00= new Square(0,0);
                                             b11.addMouseListener(me):
 Square b01 = new Square(0,1):
                                             pack(); setVisible(true);
 Box riteC= new Box(BoxLayout.Y_AXIS);
                                             setResizable(false);
 Square b10= new Square(1.0):
 Square b11= new Square(1,1);
                                            public void actionPerformed(
 JButton jb= new JButton("reset");
 MouseEvents me= new MouseEvents();
                                               b00.clearDisk(); b01.clearDisk();
 /** Constructor: ... */
                                               b10.clearDisk(); b11.clearDisk();
 public MouseDemo2() {
  super(t);
  leftC.add(b00);
                  leftC.add(b01);
                                          red: listening
  riteC.add(b10);
                  riteC.add(b11);
  b.add(leftC);
                  b.add(riteC);
                                          blue: placing
  Container cp= getContentPane();
                                    Class MouseDemo2
  cp.add(b, BorderLayout.CENTER);
  cp.add(jb, BorderLayout.SOUTH);
```

```
Listening to the keyboard
import java.awt.*; import java.awt.event.*; import javax.swing.*;
public class AllCaps extends KeyAdapter {
JFrame capsFrame= new JFrame();
                                                            blue: placing
JLabel capsLabel= new JLabel();
                                                          1. Extend this class.
public AllCaps() {
  capsLabel.setHorizontalAlignment(SwingConstants.CENTER);
  capsLabel.setText(":)");
                                                     3. Add this instance as a
  capsFrame.setSize(200,200);
                                                     key listener for the frame
  Container c= capsFrame.getContentPane()
 c.add(capsLabel);
                                                    2. Override this method.
           e.addKeyListener(this);
                                                    It is called when a key
  capsFrame.show();
                                                     stroke is detected.
 public void keyPressed (KeyEvent e) {
 char typedChar= e.getKeyChar();
capsLabel.setText((""" + typedChar + """).toUpperCase());
```