# Lesson 12 GUI Components: Part 1

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#### In this Chapter you'll learn:

- The design principles of graphical user interfaces (GUIs).
- How to use Java's new, elegant, cross-platform Nimbus look-and-feel.
  - To build GUIs and handle events generated by user interactions with GUIs.
  - To understand the packages containing GUI components, event-handling classes and interfaces.
  - To create and manipulate buttons, labels, lists, text fields and panels.
  - To handle mouse events and keyboard events.
  - To use layout managers to arrange GUI components <

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#### 14.1 Introduction

- A graphical user interface (GUI) presents a userfriendly mechanism for interacting with an application.
  - Pronounced "GOO-ee"
  - Gives an application a distinctive "look" and "feel."
  - Consistent, intuitive user-interface components give users a sense of familiarity
  - Learn new applications more quickly and use them more productively.

#### 14.1 Introduction (cont.)

- ▶ Built from GUI components.
  - Sometimes called controls or widgets short for window gadgets.
- User interacts via the mouse, the keyboard or another form of input, such as voice recognition.

#### IDEs

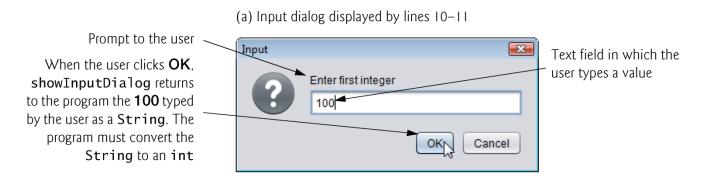
- Provide GUI design tools to specify a component's exact size and location in a visual manner by using the mouse.
- Generates the GUI code for you.
- Greatly simplifies creating GUIs, but each IDE has different capabilities and generates different code.

#### 14.3 Simple GUI-Based Input/Output with JOptionPane

- Most applications use windows or dialog boxes (also called dialogs) to interact with the user.
- JOptionPane (package javax.swing) provides prebuilt dialog boxes for input and output
  - Displayed via static JOptionPane methods.
- Figure 14.2 uses two input dialogs to obtain integers from the user and a message dialog to display the sum of the integers the user enters.

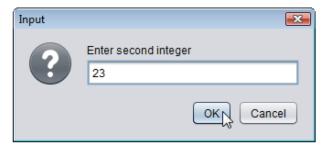
```
// Fig. 14.2: Addition.java
    // Addition program that uses JOptionPane for input and output.
    import javax.swing.JOptionPane; // program uses JOptionPane
 3
 5
    public class Addition
 6
       public static void main( String[] args )
 7
        {
 8
          // obtain user input from JOptionPane input dialogs
 9
10
          String firstNumber =
                                                                                    Displays an input
              JOptionPane.showInputDialog( "Enter first integer" );
11
                                                                                    dialog and returns a
          String secondNumber =
12
                                                                                    typed by the user
               JOptionPane.showInputDialog( "Enter second integer" );
13
14
15
          // convert String inputs to int values for use in a calculation
          int number1 = Integer.parseInt( firstNumber );
16
          int number2 = Integer.parseInt( secondNumber );
17
18
19
          int sum = number1 + number2; // add numbers
20
```

**Fig. 14.2** Addition program that uses **JOptionPane** for input and output. (Part I of 3.)

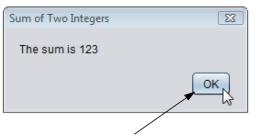


**Fig. 14.2** Addition program that uses **JOptionPane** for input and output. (Part 2 of 3.)

(b) Input dialog displayed by lines 12-13



(c) Message dialog displayed by lines 22-23



When the user clicks **OK**, the message dialog is dismissed (removed from the screen).

**Fig. 14.2** Addition program that uses **JOptionPane** for input and output. (Part 3 of 3.)

Message dialog type	Icon	Description
ERROR_MESSAGE		Indicates an error to the user.
INFORMATION_MESSAGE	i	Indicates an informational message to the user.
WARNING_MESSAGE	1	Warns the user of a potential problem.
QUESTION_MESSAGE	?	Poses a question to the user. This dialog normally requires a response, such as clicking a <b>Yes</b> or a <b>No</b> button.
PLAIN_MESSAGE	no icon	A dialog that contains a message, but no icon.

Fig. 14.3 | JOptionPane static constants for message dialogs.

#### 14.4 Overview of Swing Components

- Swing GUI components located in package javax.swing.
- Most are pure Java components
  - Written, manipulated and displayed completely in Java.
  - Part of the Java Foundation Classes (JFC) for cross-platform GUI development.
  - JFC and Java desktop technologies

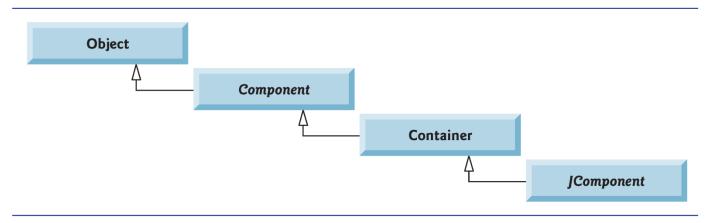
Component	Description
JLabel	Displays uneditable text or icons.
JTextField	Enables user to enter data from the keyboard. Can also be used to display editable or uneditable text.
JButton	Triggers an event when clicked with the mouse.
JCheckBox	Specifies an option that can be selected or not selected.
JComboBox	Provides a drop-down list of items from which the user can make a selection by clicking an item or possibly by typing into the box.
JList	Provides a list of items from which the user can make a selection by clicking on any item in the list. Multiple elements can be selected.
JPanel	Provides an area in which components can be placed and organized. Can also be used as a drawing area for graphics.

Fig. 14.4 | Some basic GUI components.

- ▶ Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT) in package java.awt is another set of GUI components in Java.
  - When a Java application with an AWT GUI executes on different Java platforms, the application's GUI components display differently on each platform.
- Together, the appearance and the way in which the user interacts with the application are known as that application's look-and-feel.
- Swing GUI components allow you to specify a uniform lookand-feel for your application across all platforms or to use each platform's custom look-and-feel.

- Most Swing components are not tied to actual GUI components of the underlying platform.
  - Known as lightweight components.
- AWT components are tied to the local platform and are called heavyweight components, because they rely on the local platform's windowing system to determine their functionality and their look-and-feel.
- Several Swing components are heavyweight components.

- Class Component (package java.awt) declares many of the attributes and behaviors common to the GUI components in packages java.awt and javax.swing.
- Most GUI components extend class Component directly or indirectly.
- Online documentation:
  - http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api /java/awt/Component.html



**Fig. 14.5** | Common superclasses of many of the Swing components.

- Class Container (package java.awt) is a subclass of Component.
- **Components** are attached to Containers so that they can be organized and displayed on the screen.
- Any object that *is a* Container can be used to organize other Components in a GUI.
- Because a Container is a Component, you can place Containers in other Containers to help organize a GUI.
- Online documentation:
  - http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/aw t/Component.html

Class JComponent (package javax.swing) is a subclass of Container.

> JComponent is the superclass of all lightweight Swing components, all of which are also Containers.

- Some common lightweight component features supported by JComponent include:
  - Pluggable look-and-feel
  - Shortcut keys (called mnemonics)
  - Common event-handling capabilities for components that initiate the same actions in an application.
  - tool tips or info tip used in conjunction with a cursor, usually a pointer
  - Support for accessibility
  - Support for user-interface localization
- Online documentation:
  - http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax /swing/JComponent.html

- Most windows that can contain Swing GUI components are instances of class JFrame or a subclass of JFrame.
- JFrame is an indirect subclass of class java.awt.Window
- Provides the basic attributes and behaviors of a window
  - a title bar at the top
  - buttons to minimize, maximize and close the window
- Most of our examples will consist of two classes
  - a subclass of JFrame that demonstrates new GUI concepts
  - an application class in which main creates and displays the application's primary window.

```
// Fig. 14.6: LabelFrame.java
    // Demonstrating the JLabel class.
    import java.awt.FlowLayout; // specifies how components are arranged
 3
    import javax.swing.JFrame; // provides basic window features
 5
    import javax.swing.JLabel; // displays text and images
    import javax.swing.SwingConstants; // common constants used with Swing
    import javax.swing.Icon; // interface used to manipulate images
 7
    import javax.swing.ImageIcon; // loads images
8
 9
                                                                         Custom GUIs are often built in classes
10
    public class LabelFrame extends JFrame ←
                                                                         that extend IFrame
11
12
       private JLabel label1; // JLabel with just text
       private JLabel label2; // JLabel constructed with text and icon
13
       private JLabel label3; // JLabel with added text and icon
14
15
16
       // LabelFrame constructor adds JLabels to JFrame
       public LabelFrame()
17
18
                                                                         Sets the JFrame's title bar text to the
          super( "Testing JLabel" ); ←
19
                                                                         specified String
          setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
20
21
```

Fig. 14.6 | JLabels with text and icons. (Part 1 of 2.)

```
22
           // JLabel constructor with a string argument
                                                                            Create a JLabel with the specified text
           label1 = new JLabel( "Label with text" ):
23
                                                                            then set its tooltip
           label1.setToolTipText( "This is label1" );
24
25
           add( label1 ); // add label1 to JFrame
26
27
           // JLabel constructor with string, Icon and alignment arguments
                                                                                        Load in icon from the
           Icon bug = new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( "bug1.png" ) );
28
                                                                                        same location as class
           label2 = new JLabel ("Label with text and icon", bug,
29
                                                                                        LabelFrame, then
              SwingConstants.LEFT );
30
                                                                                        create a JLabel with
           label2.setToolTipText( "This is label2" );
31
                                                                                        text and an icon and
32
           add( label2 ); // add label2 to JFrame
                                                                                        set the 11 abel's
33
                                                                                        tooltip text.
           label3 = new JLabel(): // JLabel constructor no arguments
34
35
           label3.setText( "Label with icon and text at bottom" );
                                                                                        Create an empty
36
           label3.setIcon( bug ); // add icon to JLabel
                                                                                        JLabel then use set
           label3.setHorizontalTextPosition( SwingConstants.CENTER );
37
                                                                                        methods to change its
38
           label3.setVerticalTextPosition( SwingConstants.BOTTOM );
                                                                                        characteristics.
           label3.setToolTipText( "This is label3" );
39
40
           add( label3 ); // add label3 to JFrame
        } // end LabelFrame constructor
41
42
    } // end class LabelFrame
```

Fig. 14.6 | JLabels with text and icons. (Part 2 of 2.)

```
// Fig. 14.7: LabelTest.java
   // Testing LabelFrame.
   import javax.swing.JFrame;
   public class LabelTest
      public static void main( String[] args )
         LabelFrame labelFrame = new LabelFrame(); // create LabelFrame
                                                                          Program should
         terminate when the
         labelFrame.setSize( 260, 180 ); // set frame size
11
                                                                         user clicks the
         labelFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
                                                                         window's close
      } // end main
                                                                         button.
   } // end class LabelTest
```





Fig. 14.7 Test class for LabelFrame.

- ▶ JFrame's constructor uses its String argument as the text in the window's title bar.
- Must attach each GUI component to a container, such as a JFrame.
- You typically must decide where to position each GUI component.
  - Known as specifying the layout of the GUI components.
  - Java provides several layout managers that can help you position components.

- Many IDEs provide GUI design tools in which you can specify the exact size and location of a component
- ▶ IDE generates the GUI code for you
- Greatly simplifies GUI creation
- To ensure that the examples can be used with any IDE, we will not use an IDE to create the GUI code
  - We will create the code ourselves
  - This way you also learn better each component
- We will use Java's layout managers in our GUI examples

#### ▶ FlowLayout

- GUI components are placed on a container from left to right in the order in which the program attaches them to the container.
- When there is no more room to fit components left to right, components continue to display left to right on the next line.
- If the container is resized, a FlowLayout reflows the components to accommodate the new width of the container, possibly with fewer or more rows of GUI components.
- Method setLayout is inherited from class Container.
  - argument must be an object of a class that implements the LayoutManager interface (e.g., FlowLayout).

- A JLabel can display an Icon.
- JLabel constructor can receive text and an Icon.
  - The last constructor argument indicates the justification of the label's contents.
  - Interface SwingConstants (package javax.swing) declares a set of common integer constants (such as SwingConstants.LEFT) that are used with many Swing components.
  - By default, the text appears to the right of the image when a label contains both text and an image.
  - The horizontal and vertical alignments of a JLabel can be set with methods setHorizontalAlignment and setVerticalAlignment, respectively.

Constant	Description
Horizontal-position constants SwingConstants.LEFT SwingConstants.CENTER SwingConstants.RIGHT Vertical-position constants SwingConstants.TOP SwingConstants.CENTER SwingConstants.BOTTOM	Place text on the left. Place text in the center. Place text on the right.  Place text at the top. Place text in the center. Place text at the bot-
	tom.

Fig. 14.8 | Positioning constants.

- ▶ By default, closing a window simply hides the window.
- Calling method setDefaultCloseOperation (inherited from class JFrame) with the argument JFrame.EXIT\_ON\_CLOSE indicates that the program should terminate when the window is closed by the user.
- Method setSize specifies the width and height of the window in pixels.
- Method setVisible with the argument true displays the window on the screen.

#### 14.6 Text Fields and an Introduction to Event Handling with Nested Classes

- GUIs are event driven.
- When the user interacts with a GUI component, the interaction — known as an event — drives the program to perform a task.
- The code that performs a task in response to an event is called an event handler, and the overall process of responding to events is known as event handling.

#### 14.6 Text Fields and an Introduction to Event Handling with Nested Classes (cont.)

- JTextFields and JPasswordFields (package javax.swing).
- JTextField extends class JTextComponent (package javax.swing.text), which provides many features common to Swing's text-based components.
- Class JPasswordField extends JTextField and adds methods that are specific to processing passwords.
- > JPasswordField shows that characters are being typed as the user enters them, but hides the actual characters with an echo character.

```
// Fig. 14.9: TextFieldFrame.java
    // Demonstrating the JTextField class.
 3
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
    import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
    import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
 5
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    import javax.swing.JTextField;
 7
8
    import javax.swing.JPasswordField;
 9
    import javax.swing.JOptionPane;
10
11
    public class TextFieldFrame extends JFrame
12
       private JTextField textField1; // text field with set size
13
       private JTextField textField2; // text field constructed with text
14
       private JTextField textField3; // text field with text and size
15
16
       private JPasswordField passwordField; // password field with text
17
       // TextFieldFrame constructor adds JTextFields to JFrame
18
19
       public TextFieldFrame()
20
21
          super( "Testing JTextField and JPasswordField" );
22
          setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
23
```

Fig. 14.9 | JTextFields and JPasswordFields. (Part | of 4.)

```
// construct textfield with 10 columns
24
                                                                               Width of the JTextField is based on
25
           textField1 = new JTextField( 10 );
                                                                               the component's current font unless a
           add( textField1 ); // add textField1 to JFrame
26
                                                                               layout manager overrides that size.
27
           // construct textfield with default text
28
                                                                               Width of the JTextField is based on
29
           textField2 = new JTextField( "Enter text here" );
                                                                               the default text unless a layout
           add( textField2 ); // add textField2 to JFrame
30
                                                                               manager overrides that size.
31
           // construct textfield with default text and 21 columns
32
                                                                                           Width based on
           textField3 = new JTextField( "Uneditable text field", 21 );
33
                                                                                           second argument
           textField3.setEditable( false ); // disable editing
34
                                                                                           unless a layout manager
35
           add( textField3 ); // add textField3 to JFrame
                                                                                           overrides that size.
36
37
           // construct passwordfield with default text
                                                                               Text in this component will be hidden
           passwordField = new JPasswordField( "Hidden text" );
38
                                                                               by asterisks (*) by default.
           add( passwordField ); // add passwordField to JFrame
39
40
           // register event handlers
41
                                                                               TextFieldHandler inner class
           TextFieldHandler handler = new TextFieldHandler():
42
                                                                               implements ActionListener
           textField1.addActionListener( handler );
43
                                                                               interface, so it can respond to
44
           textField2.addActionListener( handler );
                                                                               JTextField events. Lines 43-46
45
           textField3.addActionListener( handler );
                                                                               register the object handler to respond
46
           passwordField.addActionListener( handler );
                                                                               to each component's events.
        } // end TextFieldFrame constructor
47
```

Fig. 14.9 | JTextFields and JPasswordFields. (Part 2 of 4.)

```
48
49
        // private inner class for event handling
                                                                           A TextFieldHandler is an
        private class TextFieldHandler implements ActionListener
50
                                                                           ActionListener.
51
           // process text field events
52
                                                                            Called when the user presses Enter in a
           public void actionPerformed( ActionEvent event )
53
                                                                            JTextField or JPasswordField.
54
55
              String string = ""; // declare string to display
56
              // user pressed Enter in JTextField textField1
57
                                                                            getSource specifies which
              if ( event.getSource() == textField1 ) -
58
                                                                           component the user interacted with
                 string = String.format( "textField1: %s",
59
                     event.getActionCommand() ); 
60
                                                                            Obtains the text the user typed in the
61
                                                                           textfield.
              // user pressed Enter in JTextField textField2
62
              else if ( event.getSource() == textField2 )
63
                 string = String.format( "textField2: %s",
64
65
                     event.getActionCommand() );
66
              // user pressed Enter in JTextField textField3
67
68
              else if ( event.getSource() == textField3 )
69
                 string = String.format( "textField3: %s",
70
                     event.getActionCommand() );
71
```

Fig. 14.9 | JTextFields and JPasswordFields. (Part 3 of 4.)

```
72
             // user pressed Enter in JTextField passwordField
             else if ( event.getSource() == passwordField )
73
                string = String.format( "passwordField: %s",
74
75
                   event.getActionCommand() );
76
77
             // display JTextField content
78
             JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null, string );
          } // end method actionPerformed
79
       } // end private inner class TextFieldHandler
80
    } // end class TextFieldFrame
```

Fig. 14.9 | JTextFields and JPasswordFields. (Part 4 of 4.)

```
// Fig. 14.10: TextFieldTest.java
    // Testing TextFieldFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class TextFieldTest
        public static void main( String[] args )
 8
           TextFieldFrame textFieldFrame = new TextFieldFrame();
 9
10
           textFieldFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
           textFieldFrame.setSize(350, 100); // set frame size
11
           textFieldFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
        } // end main
13
    } // end class TextFieldTest
                         Testing JTextField and JPasswordField
                                                 - - X
                                            Enter text here
                          Uneditable text field
```

Fig. 14.10 | Test class for TextFieldFrame. (Part 1 of 3.)



Fig. 14.10 | Test class for TextFieldFrame. (Part 2 of 3.)

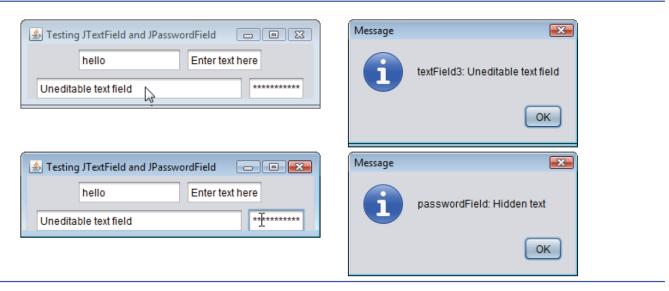


Fig. 14.10 | Test class for TextFieldFrame. (Part 3 of 3.)

- When the user types data into a JTextField or a JPasswordField, then presses Enter, an event occurs.
- You can type only in the text field that is "in focus."
- A component receives the focus when the user clicks the component.

- Before an application can respond to an event for a particular GUI component, you must perform several coding steps:
  - Create a class that represents the event handler.
  - Implement an appropriate interface, known as an event-listener interface, in the class from *Step 1*.
  - Indicate that an object of the class from Steps 1 and 2 should be notified when the event occurs.

This is known as registering the event handler.

- All the classes discussed so far were so-called top-level classes that is, they were not declared inside another class.
- Java allows you to declare classes inside other classes
   these are called nested classes.
  - Can be static or non-static.
  - Non-static nested classes are called inner classes and are frequently used to implement event handlers.

- **Before** an object of an inner class can be created, there must first be an object of the top-level class that contains the inner class.
- This is required because an inner-class object implicitly has a reference to an object of its top-level class.
- ▶ There is also a special relationship between these objects the inner-class object is allowed to directly access all the variables and methods of the outer class.
- A nested class that is **static** does not require an object of its top-level class and does not implicitly have a reference to an object of the top-level class.

- Inner classes can be declared public, protected or private.
- Since event handlers tend to be specific to the application in which they are defined, they are often implemented as private inner classes.

• GUI components can generate many events in response to user interactions.

- ▶ Each event is represented by a class and can be processed only by the appropriate type of event handler.
- Normally, a component's supported events are described in the Java API documentation for that component's class and its superclasses.

- When the user presses *Enter* in a JTextField or JPasswordField, an ActionEvent (package java.awt.event) occurs.
- Processed by an object that implements the interface ActionListener (package java.awt.event).
- To handle ActionEvents, a class must implement interface ActionListener and declare method actionPerformed.
  - This method specifies the tasks to perform when an **ActionEvent** occurs.



#### **Software Engineering Observation 14.3**

The event listener for an event must implement the appropriate event-listener interface.



#### **Common Programming Error 14.2**

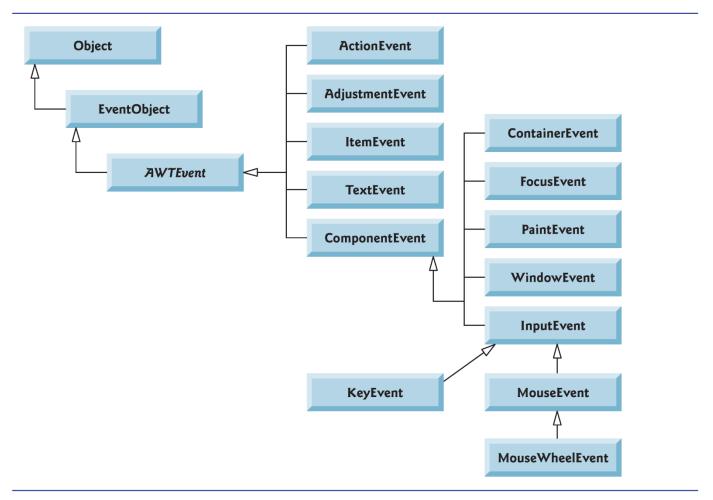
Forgetting to register an event-handler object for a particular GUI component's event type causes events of that type to be ignored.

- Must register an object as the event handler for each text field.
- addActionListener registers an ActionListener object to handle ActionEvents.
- After an event handler is registered the object listens for events.

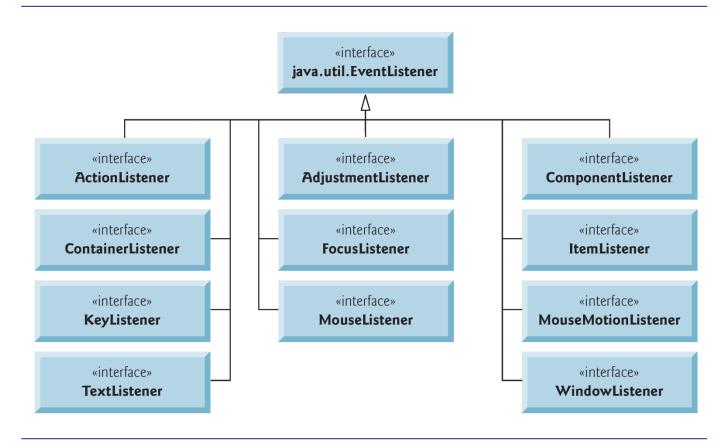
- The GUI component with which the user interacts is the event source.
- ActionEvent method getSource (inherited from class EventObject) returns a reference to the event source.
- ActionEvent method getActionCommand obtains the text the user typed in the text field that generated the event.
- ▶ JPasswordField method getPassword returns the password's characters as an array of type char.

## 14.7 Common GUI Event Types and Listener Interfaces

- Figure 14.11 illustrates a hierarchy containing many event classes from the package java.awt.event.
- Used with both AWT and Swing components.
- Additional event types that are specific to Swing GUI components are declared in package javax.swing.event.



**Fig. 14.11** | Some event classes of package java.awt.event.



**Fig. 14.12** | Some common event-listener interfaces of package java.awt.event.

# 14.7 Common GUI Event Types and Listener Interfaces (cont.)

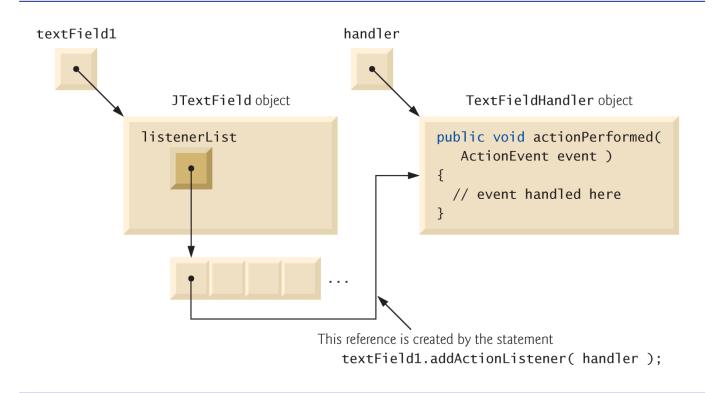
- Delegation event model an event's processing is delegated to an object (the event listener) in the application.
- For each event-object type, there is typically a corresponding event-listener interface.
- Many event-listener types are common to both Swing and AWT components.
  - Such types are declared in package java.awt.event, and some of them are shown in Fig. 14.12.
- Additional event-listener types that are specific to Swing components are declared in package javax.swing.event.

# 14.7 Common GUI Event Types and Listener Interfaces (cont.)

- Each event-listener interface specifies one or more event-handling methods that must be declared in the class that implements the interface.
- When an event occurs, the GUI component with which the user interacted notifies its registered listeners by calling each listener's appropriate event-handling method.

### 14.8 How Event Handling Works

- ▶ How the event-handling mechanism works:
- Every JComponent has a variable listenerList that refers to an EventListenerList (package javax.swing.event).
- Maintains references to registered listeners in the listenerList.
- When a listener is registered, a new entry is placed in the component's listenerList.
- Every entry also includes the listener's type.



**Fig. 14.13** Event registration for JTextField textField1.

### 14.8 How Event Handling Works (cont.)

- How does the GUI component know to call actionPerformed rather than another method?
  - Every GUI component supports several event types, including mouse events, key events and others.
  - When an event occurs, the event is dispatched only to the event listeners of the appropriate type.
  - Dispatching is simply the process by which the GUI component calls an event-handling method on each of its listeners that are registered for the event type that occurred.

### 14.8 How Event Handling Works (cont.)

- ▶ Each event type has one or more corresponding event-listener interfaces.
  - ActionEvents are handled by ActionListeners
  - MouseEvents are handled by MouseListeners and MouseMotionListeners
  - KeyEvents are handled by KeyListeners
- When an event occurs, the GUI component receives (from the JVM) a unique event ID specifying the event type.
  - The component uses the event ID to decide the listener type to which the event should be dispatched and to decide which method to call on each listener object.

### 14.8 How Event Handling Works (cont.)

- For an ActionEvent, the event is dispatched to every registered ActionListener's actionPerformed method.
- For a MouseEvent, the event is dispatched to every registered MouseListener or MouseMotionListener, depending on the mouse event that occurs.
  - The MouseEvent's event ID determines which of the several mouse event-handling methods are called.

### 14.9 JButton

- A button is a component the user clicks to trigger a specific action.
- Several types of buttons
  - command buttons
  - checkboxes
  - toggle buttons
  - radio buttons
- Button types are subclasses of AbstractButton (package javax.swing), which declares the common features of Swing buttons.

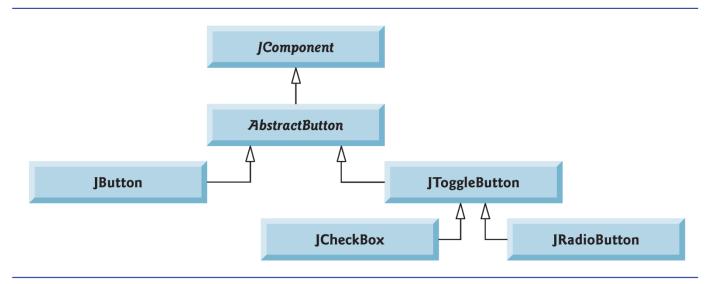


Fig. 14.14 | Swing button hierarchy.

### 14.9 JButton (cont.)

- A command button generates an ActionEvent when the user clicks it.
- Command buttons are created with class JButton.
- The text on the face of a JButton is called a button label.

```
// Fig. 14.15: ButtonFrame.java
    // Creating JButtons.
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
 3
    import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
 5
    import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    import javax.swing.JButton;
 7
    import javax.swing.Icon;
 8
 9
    import javax.swing.ImageIcon;
10
    import javax.swing.JOptionPane;
11
12
    public class ButtonFrame extends JFrame
13
       private JButton plainJButton; // button with just text
14
       private JButton fancyJButton; // button with icons
15
16
       // ButtonFrame adds JButtons to JFrame
17
       public ButtonFrame()
18
19
          super( "Testing Buttons" );
20
21
          setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
22
                                                                                    Creates a JButton
          plainJButton = new JButton( "Plain Button" ); // button with text
23
                                                                                    with the specified text
          add( plainJButton ); // add plainJButton to JFrame
24
                                                                                    as its label.
```

Fig. 14.15 | Command buttons and action events. (Part 1 of 2.)

```
25
                                                                                          Load two images from
           Icon bug1 = new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( "bug1.gif" ) );
26
                                                                                          the same location as
           Icon bug2 = new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( "bug2.gif" ) );
27
                                                                                          class ButtonFrame.
           fancyJButton = new JButton( "Fancy Button", bug1 ); // set image
28
                                                                                          then use the first as the
           fancyJButton.setRolloverIcon( bug2 ); // set rollover image
29
                                                                                          default icon on the
           add( fancyJButton ); // add fancyJButton to JFrame
30
                                                                                          JButton and the
31
                                                                                          second as the rollover
           // create new ButtonHandler for button event handling
32
                                                                                          icon.
           ButtonHandler handler = new ButtonHandler(); -
33
           fancyJButton.addActionListener( handler );
34
                                                                              Create object of inner class
35
           plainJButton.addActionListener( handler );
                                                                              ButtonHandler and register it to
36
        } // end ButtonFrame constructor
                                                                              handle the ActionEvents for both
37
                                                                              JButtons.
        // inner class for button event handling
38
        private class ButtonHandler implements ActionListener
39
                                                                              Objects of this class can respond to
40
                                                                              ActionEvents.
41
           // handle button event
           public void actionPerformed( ActionEvent event )
42
43
               JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(ButtonFrame.this, String.format(
44
                  "You pressed: %s", event.getActionCommand() )
45
                                                                              ButtonFrame.this is special notation
46
           } // end method actionPerformed
                                                                              that enables the inner class to access.
        } // end private inner class ButtonHandler
47
                                                                              the this reference from the top-level
     } // end class ButtonFrame
                                                                              class ButtonFrame.
```

Fig. 14.15 | Command buttons and action events. (Part 2 of 2.)

```
// Fig. 14.16: ButtonTest.java
    // Testing ButtonFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class ButtonTest
       public static void main( String[] args )
       {
 8
          ButtonFrame buttonFrame = new ButtonFrame(); // create ButtonFrame
 9
          buttonFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
10
          buttonFrame.setSize( 275, 110 ); // set frame size
11
          buttonFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class ButtonTest
```

Fig. 14.16 | Test class for ButtonFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)

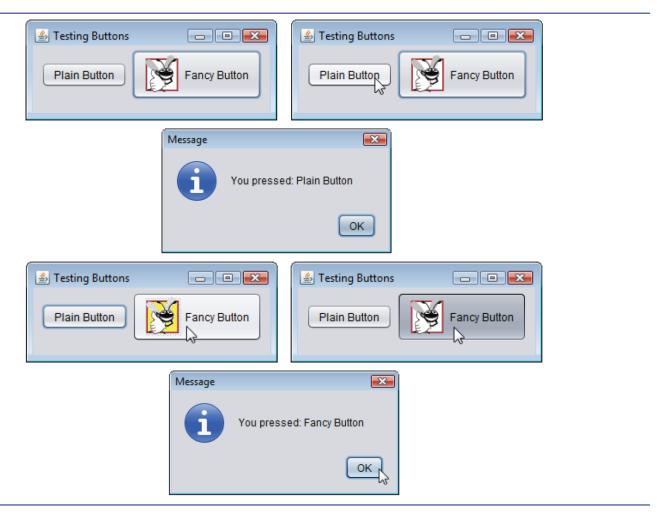


Fig. 14.16 | Test class for ButtonFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

### 14.10 Buttons That Maintain State

- ► Three types of state buttons JToggleButton, JCheckBox and JRadioButton that have on/off or true/false values.
- Classes JCheckBox and JRadioButton are subclasses of JToggleButton.
- ▶ JRadioButtons are grouped together and are mutually exclusive only one in the group can be selected at any time

### 14.10.1 JCheckBox

- JTextField method setFont (inherited by JTextField indirectly from class Component) sets the font of the JTextField to a new Font (package java.awt).
- String passed to the JCheckBox constructor is the checkbox label that appears to the right of the JCheckBox by default.
- ▶ When the user clicks a JCheckBox, an ItemEvent occurs.
  - Handled by an ItemListener object, which must implement method itemStateChanged.
- An ItemListener is registered with method addItemListener.
- JCheckBox method isSelected returns true if a JCheckBox is selected.

```
// Fig. 14.17: CheckBoxFrame.java
    // Creating JCheckBox buttons.
 3
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
    import java.awt.Font;
    import java.awt.event.ItemListener;
    import java.awt.event.ItemEvent;
 7
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
8
    import javax.swing.JTextField;
 9
    import javax.swing.JCheckBox;
10
11
    public class CheckBoxFrame extends JFrame
12
13
       private JTextField textField; // displays text in changing fonts
       private JCheckBox boldJCheckBox; // to select/deselect bold
14
       private JCheckBox italicJCheckBox; // to select/deselect italic
15
16
       // CheckBoxFrame constructor adds JCheckBoxes to JFrame
17
       public CheckBoxFrame()
18
19
          super( "JCheckBox Test" );
20
21
          setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
22
          // set up JTextField and set its font
23
          textField = new JTextField( "Watch the font style change", 20 );
24
```

Fig. 14.17 | JCheckBox buttons and item events. (Part 1 of 3.)

```
25
           textField.setFont( new Font( "Serif", Font.PLAIN, 14 ) );
                                                                          setFont can be used to change the
           add( textField ); // add textField to JFrame
26
                                                                          font for any component.
27
28
           boldJCheckBox = new JCheckBox( "Bold" ); // create bold checkbox
           italicJCheckBox = new JCheckBox( "Italic" ); // create italic
29
           add( bold]CheckBox ): // add bold checkbox to JFrame
30
31
           add( italicJCheckBox ); // add italic checkbox to JFrame
32
           // register listeners for JCheckBoxes
33
                                                                          Create and register the event handler
           CheckBoxHandler handler = new CheckBoxHandler();
34
                                                                          for both JCheckBoxes.
35
           boldJCheckBox.addItemListener( handler );
36
           italicJCheckBox.addItemListener( handler );
        } // end CheckBoxFrame constructor
37
38
       // private inner class for ItemListener event handling
39
                                                                          An object of this class can respond to
       private class CheckBoxHandler implements ItemListener
40
                                                                          ItemEvents.
41
42
           // respond to checkbox events
           public void itemStateChanged( ItemEvent event )
43
44
45
              Font font = null; // stores the new Font
46
```

Fig. 14.17 | JCheckBox buttons and item events. (Part 2 of 3.)

```
// determine which CheckBoxes are checked and create Font
47
             if ( boldJCheckBox.isSelected() && italicJCheckBox.isSelected()
48
                font = new Font( "Serif", Font.BOLD + Font.ITALIC, 14 );
49
             else if ( boldJCheckBox.isSelected() )
50
51
                font = new Font( "Serif", Font.BOLD, 14 );
             else if ( italicJCheckBox.isSelected() )
52
53
                font = new Font( "Serif", Font.ITALIC, 14 );
             else
54
                font = new Font( "Serif", Font.PLAIN, 14 );
55
56
             textField.setFont( font ); // set textField's font
57
          } // end method itemStateChanged
58
       } // end private inner class CheckBoxHandler
59
    } // end class CheckBoxFrame
```

JCheckBox method isSelected returns true if the JCheckBox on which it's called is checked.

Fig. 14.17 | JCheckBox buttons and item events. (Part 3 of 3.)

```
// Fig. 14.18: CheckBoxTest.java
    // Testing CheckBoxFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class CheckBoxTest
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          CheckBoxFrame checkBoxFrame = new CheckBoxFrame();
 9
10
          checkBoxFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
          checkBoxFrame.setSize( 275, 100 ); // set frame size
11
          checkBoxFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class CheckBoxTest
```

Fig. 14.18 | Test class for CheckBoxFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)

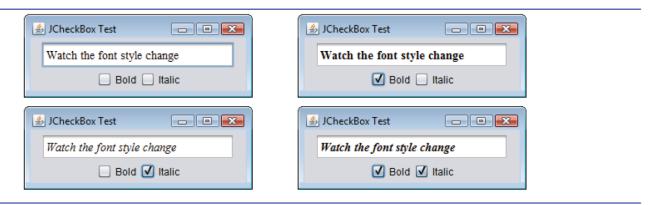


Fig. 14.18 | Test class for CheckBoxFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

### 14.10.2 JRadioButton

- Radio buttons (declared with class JRadioButton) are similar to checkboxes in that they have two states selected and not selected (also called deselected).
- Radio buttons normally appear as a group in which only one button can be selected at a time.
  - Selecting a different radio button forces all others to be deselected.
- Used to represent mutually exclusive options.
- by a ButtonGroup object (package javax.swing), which organizes a group of buttons and is not itself displayed in a user interface.

```
// Fig. 14.19: RadioButtonFrame.java
    // Creating radio buttons using ButtonGroup and JRadioButton.
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
 3
    import java.awt.Font;
 5
    import java.awt.event.ItemListener;
    import java.awt.event.ItemEvent;
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
 7
 8
    import javax.swing.JTextField;
    import javax.swing.JRadioButton;
 9
10
    import javax.swing.ButtonGroup;
11
12
    public class RadioButtonFrame extends JFrame
13
       private JTextField textField; // used to display font changes
14
       private Font plainFont; // font for plain text
15
       private Font boldFont; // font for bold text
16
       private Font italicFont: // font for italic text
17
18
       private Font boldItalicFont; // font for bold and italic text
19
       private JRadioButton plainJRadioButton; // selects plain text
       private JRadioButton boldJRadioButton; // selects bold text
20
21
       private JRadioButton italicJRadioButton: // selects italic text
22
       private JRadioButton boldItalicJRadioButton; // bold and italic
                                                                                   Manages the
23
       private ButtonGroup radioGroup; // buttongroup to hold radio buttons -
                                                                                   relationship between
24
                                                                                   radio buttons.
```

Fig. 14.19 | JRadioButtons and ButtonGroups. (Part 1 of 4.)

```
// RadioButtonFrame constructor adds JRadioButtons to JFrame
25
       public RadioButtonFrame()
26
27
28
           super( "RadioButton Test" );
29
           setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
30
31
           textField = new JTextField( "Watch the font style change", 25 );
32
           add( textField ); // add textField to JFrame
33
           // create radio buttons
34
                                                                                    This one will be
35
           plainJRadioButton = new JRadioButton( "Plain", true );
                                                                                    selected initially.
36
           boldJRadioButton = new JRadioButton( "Bold", false );
           italicJRadioButton = new JRadioButton( "Italic". false );
37
           boldItalicJRadioButton = new JRadioButton( "Bold/Italic", false );
38
           add( plainJRadioButton ); // add plain button to JFrame
39
40
           add( boldJRadioButton ); // add bold button to JFrame
           add( italicJRadioButton ); // add italic button to JFrame
41
42
           add( boldItalicJRadioButton ); // add bold and italic button
43
           // create logical relationship between JRadioButtons
44
                                                                                    Manages the
45
           radioGroup = new ButtonGroup(); // create ButtonGroup
                                                                                    relationship between
46
           radioGroup.add( plainJRadioButton ); // add plain to group
                                                                                    all radio buttons that
47
           radioGroup.add( boldJRadioButton ); // add bold to group
                                                                                    are added to the group.
```

Fig. 14.19 | JRadioButtons and ButtonGroups. (Part 2 of 4.)

```
radioGroup.add( italicJRadioButton ); // add italic to group
48
           radioGroup.add( boldItalicJRadioButton ); // add bold and italic
49
50
51
           // create font objects
           plainFont = new Font( "Serif", Font.PLAIN, 14 );
52
53
           boldFont = new Font( "Serif", Font.BOLD, 14 );
54
           italicFont = new Font( "Serif", Font.ITALIC, 14 );
           boldItalicFont = new Font( "Serif", Font.BOLD + Font.ITALIC, 14 );
55
           textField.setFont( plainFont ); // set initial font to plain
56
57
           // register events for JRadioButtons
58
59
           plainJRadioButton.addItemListener(
                                                                           Notice that we are creating a separate
              new RadioButtonHandler( plainFont ) );
60
                                                                           event-handling object for each
           boldJRadioButton.addItemListener(
61
                                                                           JRadioButton. This enables us to
              new RadioButtonHandler( boldFont ) );
62
                                                                           specify the exact Font will be used
           italicJRadioButton.addItemListener(
63
                                                                           when a particular one is selected.
64
              new RadioButtonHandler( italicFont ) );
65
           boldItalicJRadioButton.addItemListener(
              new RadioButtonHandler( boldItalicFont ) );
66
        } // end RadioButtonFrame constructor
67
68
```

Fig. 14.19 | JRadioButtons and ButtonGroups. (Part 3 of 4.)

```
69
        // private inner class to handle radio button events
                                                                           Objects of this class can respond to
        private class RadioButtonHandler implements ItemListener
70
                                                                           ItemEvents.
71
72
           private Font font; // font associated with this listener
73
                                                                           Stores the Font that is specific to a
           public RadioButtonHandler( Font f ) -
74
                                                                           particular radio button.
75
              font = f; // set the font of this listener
76
           } // end constructor RadioButtonHandler
77
78
           // handle radio button events
79
           public void itemStateChanged( ItemEvent event )
80
81
              textField.setFont( font ); // set font of textField
82
           } // end method itemStateChanged
83
        } // end private inner class RadioButtonHandler
84
    } // end class RadioButtonFrame
```

Fig. 14.19 | JRadioButtons and ButtonGroups. (Part 4 of 4.)

```
// Fig. 14.20: RadioButtonTest.java
    // Testing RadioButtonFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class RadioButtonTest
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          RadioButtonFrame radioButtonFrame = new RadioButtonFrame();
10
          radioButtonFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
          radioButtonFrame.setSize( 300, 100 ); // set frame size
11
          radioButtonFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class RadioButtonTest
```

Fig. 14.20 | Test class for RadioButtonFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)

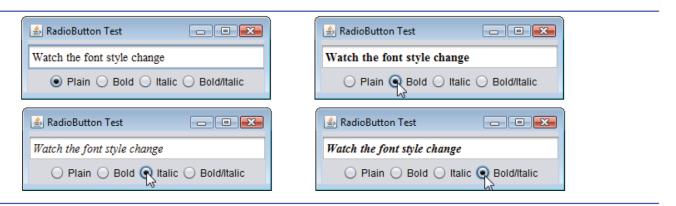


Fig. 14.20 | Test class for RadioButtonFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

# 14.11 JComboBox and Using an Anonymous Inner Class for Event Handling

- A combo box (or drop-down list) enables the user to select one item from a list.
- Combo boxes are implemented with class JComboBox, which extends class JComponent.
- JComboBoxes generate ItemEvents.

```
// Fig. 14.21: ComboBoxFrame.java
    // JComboBox that displays a list of image names.
 2
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
 3
    import java.awt.event.ItemListener;
    import java.awt.event.ItemEvent;
 5
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
 6
    import javax.swing.JLabel;
 7
 8
    import javax.swing.JComboBox;
 9
    import javax.swing.Icon;
10
    import javax.swing.ImageIcon;
11
12
    public class ComboBoxFrame extends JFrame
13
       private JComboBox imagesJComboBox; // combobox to hold names of icons
14
15
       private JLabel label; // label to display selected icon
16
       private static final String[] names =
17
          { "bug1.gif", "bug2.gif", "travelbug.gif", "buganim.gif" };
18
       private Icon[] icons = {
19
          new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( names[ 0 ] ) ),
20
21
          new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( names[ 1 ] ) ),
          new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( names[ 2 ] ) ),
22
          new ImageIcon( getClass().getResource( names[ 3 ] ) ) };
23
24
```

Fig. 14.21 | JComboBox that displays a list of image names. (Part 1 of 3.)

```
// ComboBoxFrame constructor adds JComboBox to JFrame
25
        public ComboBoxFrame()
26
27
28
           super( "Testing JComboBox" );
29
           setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
                                                                                        Uses the Strings in
30
                                                                                        array names as the
31
           imagesJComboBox = new JComboBox( names ); // set up JComboBox
                                                                                        options in the
32
           imagesJComboBox.setMaximumRowCount( 3 ); // display three rows
                                                                                        JComboBox.
33
           imagesJComboBox.addItemListener(
34
                                                                                        Lines 34-46 create an
35
              new ItemListener() // anonymous inner class
                                                                                        object of an
36
                                                                                        anonymous inner class
                 // handle JComboBox event
37
                                                                                        that implements
                  public void itemStateChanged( ItemEvent event )
38
                                                                                        interface
39
                                                                                        ItemListener and
                     // determine whether item selected
40
                                                                                        register that object to
                     if ( event.getStateChange() == ItemEvent.SELECTED )
41
                                                                                        handle the
42
                        label.setIcon( icons[
                                                                                        JComboBox's
                           imagesJComboBox.getSelectedIndex() ] );
43
                                                                                        ItemEvents.
                 } // end method itemStateChanged
44
              } // end anonymous inner class
45
46
           ); // end call to addItemListener
47
```

Fig. 14.21 | JComboBox that displays a list of image names. (Part 2 of 3.)

```
add( imagesJComboBox ); // add combobox to JFrame
label = new JLabel( icons[ 0 ] ); // display first icon
add( label ); // add label to JFrame
} // end ComboBoxFrame constructor
// end class ComboBoxFrame
```

**Fig. 14.21** JComboBox that displays a list of image names. (Part 3 of 3.)

```
// Fig. 14.22: ComboBoxTest.java
    // Testing ComboBoxFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class ComboBoxTest
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          ComboBoxFrame comboBoxFrame = new ComboBoxFrame();
10
          comboBoxFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
          comboBoxFrame.setSize( 350, 150 ); // set frame size
11
          comboBoxFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class ComboBoxTest
```

Fig. 14.22 | Testing ComboBoxFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)

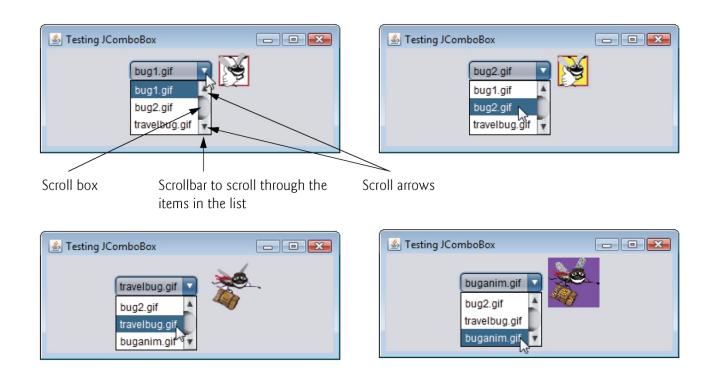


Fig. 14.22 | Testing ComboBoxFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

# 14.11 JComboBox and Using an Anonymous Inner Class for Event Handling (cont.)

- An anonymous inner class is an inner class that is declared without a name and typically appears inside a method declaration.
- As with other inner classes, an anonymous inner class can access its top-level class's members.
- Since an anonymous inner class has no name, one object of the anonymous inner class must be created at the point where the class is declared.

### 14.12 JList

- A list displays a series of items from which the user may select one or more items.
- Lists are created with class JList, which directly extends class JComponent.
- ▶ Supports single-selection lists (only one item to be selected at a time) and multiple-selection lists (any number of items to be selected).
- ▶ JLists generate ListSelectionEvents in single-selection lists.

```
// Fig. 14.23: ListFrame.java
    // JList that displays a list of colors.
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
 3
    import java.awt.Color;
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    import javax.swing.JList;
    import javax.swing.JScrollPane;
 7
8
    import javax.swing.event.ListSelectionListener;
    import javax.swing.event.ListSelectionEvent;
9
10
    import javax.swing.ListSelectionModel;
11
12
    public class ListFrame extends JFrame
13
       private JList colorJList; // list to display colors
14
       private static final String[] colorNames = { "Black", "Blue", "Cyan",
15
          "Dark Gray", "Gray", "Green", "Light Gray", "Magenta",
16
          "Orange", "Pink", "Red", "White", "Yellow" };
17
       private static final Color[] colors = { Color.BLACK, Color.BLUE,
18
          Color.CYAN, Color.DARK_GRAY, Color.GRAY, Color.GREEN,
19
          Color.LIGHT_GRAY. Color.MAGENTA. Color.ORANGE. Color.PINK.
20
21
          Color.RED. Color.WHITE. Color.YELLOW };
22
```

Fig. 14.23 | JList that displays a list of colors. (Part 1 of 3.)

```
23
        // ListFrame constructor add JScrollPane containing JList to JFrame
        public ListFrame()
24
25
           super( "List Test" );
26
           setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
27
                                                                                       Populate the JList
28
                                                                                       with the Strings in
           colorJList = new JList( colorNames ); // create with colorNames
29
                                                                                       array colorNames.
           colorJList.setVisibleRowCount( 5 ); // display five rows at once
30
31
           // do not allow multiple selections
32
33
           colorJList.setSelectionMode( ListSelectionModel.SINGLE_SELECTION );
                                                                                       Allow only single
34
                                                                                       selections.
           // add a JScrollPane containing JList to frame
35
36
           add( new JScrollPane( colorJList ) );
                                                                            Provide scrollbars for the JList if
37
                                                                            necessary.
```

Fig. 14.23 | JList that displays a list of colors. (Part 2 of 3.)

```
38
           colorJList.addListSelectionListener(
              new ListSelectionListener() // anonymous inner class
39
40
                 // handle list selection events
41
                 public void valueChanged( ListSelectionEvent event )
42
43
                    getContentPane().setBackground(
                                                                          Choose the appropriate Color to
                       colors[ color]List.getSelectedIndex() ] );
                                                                          change the window's background
                 } // end method valueChanged
                                                                          color.
              } // end anonymous inner class
47
           ); // end call to addListSelectionListener
49
        } // end ListFrame constructor
    } // end class ListFrame
```

Fig. 14.23 | JList that displays a list of colors. (Part 3 of 3.)

```
// Fig. 14.24: ListTest.java
    // Selecting colors from a JList.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class ListTest
 5
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          ListFrame listFrame = new ListFrame(); // create ListFrame
 9
10
          listFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
11
          listFrame.setSize( 350, 150 ); // set frame size
          listFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class ListTest
```



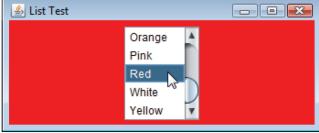


Fig. 14.24 | Test class for ListFrame.

# 14.12 JList (cont.)

- setVisibleRowCount specifies the number of items visible in the list.
- setSelectionMode specifies the list's selection mode.
- Class ListSelectionModel (of package javax.swing) declares selection-mode constants
  - SINGLE SELECTION (only one item to be selected at a time)
  - SINGLE\_INTERVAL\_SELECTION (allows selection of several contiguous items)
  - MULTIPLE\_INTERVAL\_SELECTION (does not restrict the items that can be selected).

# 14.12 JList (cont.)

- Unlike a JComboBox, a JList *does not* provide a scrollbar if there are more items in the list than the number of visible rows.
  - A JScrollPane object is used to provide the scrolling capability.
- addListSelectionListener registers a
   ListSelectionListener (package
   javax.swing.event) as the listener for aJList's
   selection events.

# 14.12 JList (cont.)

- Each JFrame actually consists of three layers the background, the content pane and the glass pane.
- The content pane appears in front of the background and is where the GUI components in the JFrame are displayed.
- The glass pane displays tool tips and other items that should appear in front of the GUI components on the screen.
  - The content pane completely hides the background of the JFrame.
  - To change the background color behind the GUI components, you must change the content pane's background color.
- Method getContentPane returns a reference to the JFrame's content pane (an object of class Container).
- List method getSelectedIndex returns the selected item's index.

## 14.13 Multiple-Selection Lists

- A multiple-selection list enables the user to select many items from a JList.
- A SINGLE\_INTERVAL\_SELECTION list allows selecting a contiguous range of items.
  - To do so, click the first item, then press and hold the *Shift* key while clicking the last item in the range.
- A MULTIPLE\_INTERVAL\_SELECTION list (the default) allows continuous range selection as described for a SINGLE\_INTERVAL\_SELECTION list and allows miscellaneous items to be selected by pressing and holding the *Ctrl* key while clicking each item to select.
  - To deselect an item, press and hold the *Ctrl* key while clicking the item a second time.

```
// Fig. 14.25: MultipleSelectionFrame.java
    // Copying items from one List to another.
 3
    import java.awt.FlowLayout;
    import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
    import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    import javax.swing.JList;
7
8
    import javax.swing.JButton;
    import javax.swing.JScrollPane;
9
10
    import javax.swing.ListSelectionModel;
11
12
    public class MultipleSelectionFrame extends JFrame
13
       private JList colorJList; // list to hold color names
14
15
       private JList copyJList; // list to copy color names into
16
       private JButton copyJButton; // button to copy selected names
       private static final String[] colorNames = { "Black", "Blue", "Cyan",
17
          "Dark Gray", "Gray", "Green", "Light Gray", "Magenta", "Orange",
18
          "Pink" "Red" "White" "Yellow" }:
19
20
21
       // MultipleSelectionFrame constructor
22
       public MultipleSelectionFrame()
23
```

Fig. 14.25 | JList that allows multiple selections. (Part 1 of 3.)

```
24
           super( "Multiple Selection Lists" );
25
          setLayout( new FlowLayout() ); // set frame layout
26
27
          colorJList = new JList( colorNames ); // holds names of all colors
          colorJList.setVisibleRowCount( 5 ); // show five rows
28
                                                                        Allow multiple selections or intervals
29
          colorJList.setSelectionMode(
                                                                        in the JList.
             ListSelectionModel.MULTIPLE_INTERVAL_SELECTION );
30
          add( new JScrollPane( colorJList ) ); // add list with scrollpane
31
32
          copyJButton = new JButton( "Copy >>>" ); // create copy button
33
          copyJButton.addActionListener(
34
35
36
              new ActionListener() // anonymous inner class
37
                 // handle button event
38
39
                 public void actionPerformed( ActionEvent event )
40
                    // place selected values in copyJList
41
                    copyJList.setListData( colorJList.getSelectedValues() );
42
                 } // end method actionPerformed
43
              } // end anonymous inner class
44
45
          ); // end call to addActionListener
46
          add( copyJButton ); // add copy button to JFrame
47
```

**Fig. 14.25** | **JList** that allows multiple selections. (Part 2 of 3.)

```
48
49
          copyJList = new JList(); // create list to hold copied color names
          copyJList.setVisibleRowCount( 5 ); // show 5 rows
50
          copyJList.setFixedCellWidth( 100 ); // set width
51
          copyJList.setFixedCellHeight( 15 ); // set height
52
                                                                         Allow only single intervals (ranges) to
53
          copyJList.setSelectionMode(
                                                                         be selected.
              ListSelectionModel.SINGLE_INTERVAL_SELECTION );
54
          add( new JScrollPane( copyJList ) ); // add list with scrollpane
55
        } // end MultipleSelectionFrame constructor
56
    } // end class MultipleSelectionFrame
```

**Fig. 14.25** | **JList** that allows multiple selections. (Part 3 of 3.)

```
// Fig. 14.26: MultipleSelectionTest.java
    // Testing MultipleSelectionFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
 5
    public class MultipleSelectionTest
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          MultipleSelectionFrame multipleSelectionFrame =
 9
             new MultipleSelectionFrame();
10
          multipleSelectionFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation(
11
             JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
12
          multipleSelectionFrame.setSize( 350, 150 ); // set frame size
13
          multipleSelectionFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
14
15
       } // end main
    } // end class MultipleSelectionTest
```

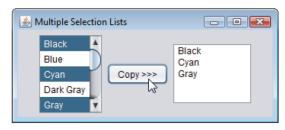


Fig. 14.26 | Test class for MultipleSelectionFrame.

# 14.13 Multiple-Selection Lists (cont.)

- If a JList does not contain items it will not diplay in a FlowLayout.
  - use JList methods setFixedCellWidth and setFixedCellHeight to set the item width and height
- There are no events to indicate that a user has made multiple selections in a multiple-selection list.
  - An event generated by another GUI component (known as an external event) specifies when the multiple selections in a JList should be processed.
- Method setListData sets the items displayed in a JList.
- Method getSelectedValues returns an array of Objects representing the selected items in a JList.

## 14.14 Mouse Event Handling

- MouseListener and MouseMotionListener eventlistener interfaces for handling mouse events.
  - Any GUI component
- Package javax.swing.event contains interface

  MouseInputListener, which extends interfaces

  MouseListener and MouseMotionListener to create

  a single interface containing all the methods.
- MouseListener and MouseMotionListener methods are called when the mouse interacts with a Component if appropriate event-listener objects are registered for that Component.

#### MouseListener and MouseMotionListener interface methods

```
Methods of interface MouseListener

public void mousePressed( MouseEvent event )

Called when a mouse button is pressed while the mouse cursor is on a component.

public void mouseClicked( MouseEvent event )

Called when a mouse button is pressed and released while the mouse cursor remains stationary on a component. This event is always preceded by a call to mousePressed.

public void mouseReleased( MouseEvent event )

Called when a mouse button is released after being pressed. This event is always preceded by a call to mousePressed and one or more calls to mouseDragged.

public void mouseEntered( MouseEvent event )

Called when the mouse cursor enters the bounds of a component.

public void mouseExited( MouseEvent event )

Called when the mouse cursor leaves the bounds of a component.
```

Fig. 14.27 | MouseListener and MouseMotionListener interface methods. (Part 1 of 2.)

#### MouseListener and MouseMotionListener interface methods

Methods of interface MouseMotionListener

public void mouseDragged( MouseEvent event )

Called when the mouse button is pressed while the mouse cursor is on a component and the mouse is moved while the mouse button remains pressed. This event is always preceded by a call to mousePressed. All drag events are sent to the component on which the user began to drag the mouse.

public void mouseMoved( MouseEvent event )

Called when the mouse is moved (with no mouse buttons pressed) when the mouse cursor is on a component. All move events are sent to the component over which the mouse is currently positioned.

Fig. 14.27 | MouseListener and MouseMotionListener interface methods. (Part 2 of 2.)

# 14.14 Mouse Event Handling (cont.)

- Each mouse event-handling method receives a MouseEvent object that contains information about the mouse event that occurred, including the *x* and y-coordinates of the location where the event occurred.
- Coordinates are measured from the upper-left corner of the GUI component on which the event occurred.
- The x-coordinates start at 0 and increase from left to right. The y-coordinates start at 0 and increase from top to bottom.
- The methods and constants of class InputEvent (Mouse–Event's superclass) enable you to determine which mouse button the user clicked.

# 14.14 Mouse Event Handling (cont.)

- Interface MouseWheelListener enables applications to respond to the rotation of a mouse wheel.
- Method mouseWheelMoved receives a MouseWheelEvent as its argument.
- Class MouseWheelEvent (a subclass of Mouse-Event) contains methods that enable the event handler to obtain information about the amount of wheel rotation.

```
// Fig. 14.28: MouseTrackerFrame.java
    // Demonstrating mouse events.
 3
    import java.awt.Color;
    import java.awt.BorderLayout;
    import java.awt.event.MouseListener;
    import java.awt.event.MouseMotionListener;
    import java.awt.event.MouseEvent;
 7
8
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    import javax.swing.JLabel;
10
    import javax.swing.JPanel;
11
    public class MouseTrackerFrame extends JFrame
12
13
       private JPanel mousePanel; // panel in which mouse events will occur
14
15
       private JLabel statusBar; // label that displays event information
16
       // MouseTrackerFrame constructor sets up GUI and
17
       // registers mouse event handlers
18
       public MouseTrackerFrame()
19
20
21
          super( "Demonstrating Mouse Events" );
22
```

Fig. 14.28 | Mouse event handling. (Part 1 of 4.)

```
23
           mousePanel = new JPanel(); // create panel
           mousePanel.setBackground( Color.WHITE ); // set background color
24
           add( mousePanel, BorderLayout.CENTER ); // add panel to JFrame
25
26
           statusBar = new JLabel( "Mouse outside JPanel" );
27
28
           add( statusBar, BorderLayout.SOUTH ); // add label to JFrame
29
30
           // create and register listener for mouse and mouse motion events
                                                                                      Object that handles
           MouseHandler handler = new MouseHandler();
31
                                                                                      both mouse events and
           mousePanel.addMouseListener( handler );
32
                                                                                      mouse motion events.
           mousePanel.addMouseMotionListener( handler );
33
        } // end MouseTrackerFrame constructor
34
35
                                                                           An object of this class is a
36
        private class MouseHandler implements MouseListener,
                                                                           MouseListener and is a
           MouseMotionListener
37
                                                                           MouseMotionListener
       {
38
39
           // MouseListener event handlers
40
           // handle event when mouse released immediately after press
41
           public void mouseClicked( MouseEvent event )
42
43
              statusBar.setText( String.format( "Clicked at [%d, %d]",
                 event.getX(), event.getY() ) ); 
44
                                                                           Get the mouse coordinates at the time.
45
           } // end method mouseClicked
                                                                           the click event occurred.
46
```

Fig. 14.28 | Mouse event handling. (Part 2 of 4.)

```
// handle event when mouse pressed
47
           public void mousePressed( MouseEvent event )
48
49
              statusBar.setText( String.format( "Pressed at [%d, %d]",
50
51
                  event.getX(), event.getY() ) ); __
                                                                             Get the mouse coordinates at the time
           } // end method mousePressed
52
                                                                             the pressed event occurred.
53
           // handle event when mouse released
54
           public void mouseReleased( MouseEvent event )
55
56
              statusBar.setText( String.format( "Released at [%d, %d]",
57
                  event.getX(), event.getY() ) ); ___
58
                                                                             Get the mouse coordinates at the time.
           } // end method mouseReleased
59
                                                                             the released event occurred.
60
           // handle event when mouse enters area
61
           public void mouseEntered( MouseEvent event )
62
63
64
              statusBar.setText( String.format( "Mouse entered at [%d, %d]",
65
                  event.getX(), event.getY() ) ); ____
                                                                             Get the mouse coordinates at the time.
              mousePanel.setBackground( Color.GREEN );
66
                                                                             the entered event occurred then
67
           } // end method mouseEntered
                                                                             change the background to green.
68
```

Fig. 14.28 | Mouse event handling. (Part 3 of 4.)

```
69
           // handle event when mouse exits area
           public void mouseExited( MouseEvent event )
70
71
72
              statusBar.setText( "Mouse outside JPanel" );
                                                                          Change the background to white when
73
              mousePanel.setBackground( Color.WHITE );
                                                                          the mouse exits the area.
           } // end method mouseExited
74
75
76
           // MouseMotionListener event handlers
           // handle event when user drags mouse with button pressed
77
           public void mouseDragged( MouseEvent event )
78
79
              statusBar.setText( String.format( "Dragged at [%d, %d]",
80
                 event.getX(), event.getY() ) );
81
                                                                           Get the mouse coordinates at the time
           } // end method mouseDragged
82
                                                                          the dragged event occurred.
83
84
           // handle event when user moves mouse
85
           public void mouseMoved( MouseEvent event )
86
87
              statusBar.setText( String.format( "Moved at [%d, %d]",
                 event.getX(), event.getY() );
88
                                                                           Get the mouse coordinates at the time
           } // end method mouseMoved
89
                                                                          the moved event occurred.
        } // end inner class MouseHandler
90
     } // end class MouseTrackerFrame
```

Fig. 14.28 | Mouse event handling. (Part 4 of 4.)

```
// Fig. 14.29: MouseTrackerFrame.java
    // Testing MouseTrackerFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class MouseTracker
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          MouseTrackerFrame mouseTrackerFrame = new MouseTrackerFrame();
10
          mouseTrackerFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
          mouseTrackerFrame.setSize( 300, 100 ); // set frame size
11
          mouseTrackerFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class MouseTracker
```

Fig. 14.29 | Test class for MouseTrackerFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)



Fig. 14.29 | Test class for MouseTrackerFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

### 14.14 Mouse Event Handling (cont.)

- ▶ BorderLayout arranges components into five regions: NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST and CENTER.
- BorderLayout sizes the component in the CENTER to use all available space that is not occupied
- Methods addMouseListener and addMouseMotionListener register MouseListeners and MouseMotionListeners, respectively.
- MouseEvent methods getX and getY return the x- and y-coordinates of the mouse at the time the event occurred.

### 14.15 Adapter Classes

- Many event-listener interfaces contain multiple methods.
- An adapter class implements an interface and provides a default implementation (with an empty method body) of each method in the interface.
- You extend an adapter class to inherit the default implementation of every method and override only the method(s) you need for event handling.



#### **Software Engineering Observation 14.8**

When a class implements an interface, the class has an isa relationship with that interface. All direct and indirect subclasses of that class inherit this interface. Thus, an object of a class that extends an event-adapter class is an object of the corresponding event-listener type (e.g., an object of a subclass of MouseAdapter is a MouseListener).

Event-adapter class in java.awt.event	Implements interface
ComponentAdapter	ComponentListener
ContainerAdapter	ContainerListener
FocusAdapter	FocusListener
KeyAdapter	KeyListener
MouseAdapter	MouseListener
MouseMotionAdapter	MouseMotionListener
WindowAdapter	WindowListener

**Fig. 14.30** | Event-adapter classes and the interfaces they implement in package java.awt.event.

```
// Fig. 14.31: MouseDetailsFrame.java
    // Demonstrating mouse clicks and distinguishing between mouse buttons.
 3
    import java.awt.BorderLayout;
    import java.awt.event.MouseAdapter;
    import java.awt.event.MouseEvent;
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
 6
    import javax.swing.JLabel;
 7
 8
    public class MouseDetailsFrame extends JFrame
 9
10
11
       private String details; // String that is displayed in the statusBar
12
       private JLabel statusBar; // JLabel that appears at bottom of window
13
       // constructor sets title bar String and register mouse listener
14
       public MouseDetailsFrame()
15
16
       {
          super( "Mouse clicks and buttons" );
17
18
          statusBar = new JLabel( "Click the mouse" );
19
          add( statusBar, BorderLayout.SOUTH );
20
21
          addMouseListener( new MouseClickHandler() ); // add handler
22
       } // end MouseDetailsFrame constructor
23
```

Fig. 14.31 Left, center and right mouse-button clicks. (Part 1 of 2.)

```
24
        // inner class to handle mouse events
                                                                           Adapter enables us to override the one
        private class MouseClickHandler extends MouseAdapter
25
                                                                           method we use in this example.
26
27
           // handle mouse-click event and determine which button was pressed
           public void mouseClicked( MouseEvent event )
28
29
30
              int xPos = event.getX(); // get x-position of mouse
              int yPos = event.getY(); // get y-position of mouse
31
32
                                                                            Returns the number of mouse clicks. If
              details = String.format( "Clicked %d time(s)",
33
                                                                           you wait long enough between clicks,
                 event.getClickCount() ); 	
34
                                                                            the count resets to 0.
35
              if ( event.isMetaDown() ) // right mouse button _
36
                                                                            Help determine which button the user
                 details += " with right mouse button";
37
                                                                           pressed on the mouse.
              else if ( event.isAltDown() ) // middle mouse button
38
                 details += " with center mouse button":
39
              else // left mouse button
40
                 details += " with left mouse button":
41
42
              statusBar.setText( details ); // display message in statusBar
43
           } // end method mouseClicked
44
45
        } // end private inner class MouseClickHandler
    } // end class MouseDetailsFrame
```

Fig. 14.31 Left, center and right mouse-button clicks. (Part 2 of 2.)

```
// Fig. 14.32: MouseDetails.java
    // Testing MouseDetailsFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class MouseDetails
       public static void main( String[] args )
 8
          MouseDetailsFrame mouseDetailsFrame = new MouseDetailsFrame();
 9
10
          mouseDetailsFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
          mouseDetailsFrame.setSize( 400, 150 ); // set frame size
11
          mouseDetailsFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class MouseDetails
```

Fig. 14.32 | Test class for MouseDetailsFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)

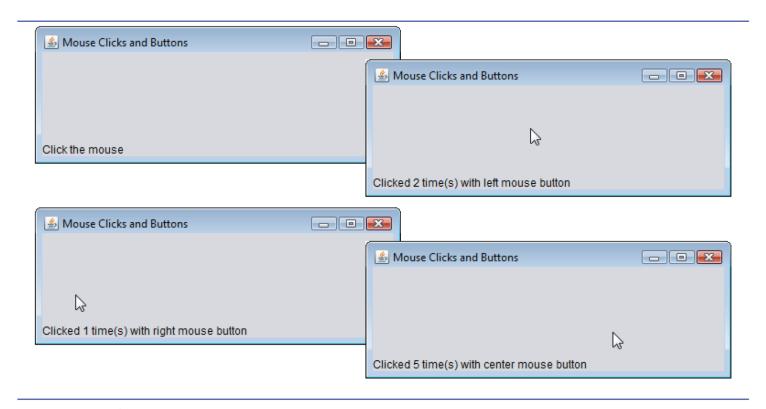


Fig. 14.32 | Test class for MouseDetailsFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

# 14.17 Key Event Handling

- ▶ KeyListener interface for handling key events.
- Key events are generated when keys on the keyboard are pressed and released.
- ▶ A KeyListener must define methods keyPressed, keyReleased and keyTyped
  - each receives a KeyEvent as its argument
- Class KeyEvent is a subclass of InputEvent.
- Method keyPressed is called in response to pressing any key.
- Method **keyTyped** is called in response to pressing any key that is not an action key (ex. copy, paste, or F1, F2, etc)
- Method keyReleased is called when the key is released after any keyPressed or keyTyped event.

```
// Fig. 14.36: KeyDemoFrame.java
    // Demonstrating keystroke events.
 3
    import java.awt.Color;
    import java.awt.event.KeyListener;
    import java.awt.event.KeyEvent;
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
 6
    import javax.swing.JTextArea;
 7
 8
                                                                                   This class can handle
 9
    public class KeyDemoFrame extends JFrame implements KeyListener
                                                                                   its own KeyEvents.
10
       private String line1 = ""; // first line of textarea
11
       private String line2 = ""; // second line of textarea
12
       private String line3 = ""; // third line of textarea
13
       private JTextArea textArea; // textarea to display output
14
15
16
       // KeyDemoFrame constructor
       public KeyDemoFrame()
17
18
          super( "Demonstrating Keystroke Events" );
19
20
21
          textArea = new JTextArea( 10, 15 ); // set up JTextArea
          textArea.setText( "Press any key on the keyboard..." );
22
          textArea.setEnabled( false ); // disable textarea
23
```

Fig. 14.36 Key event handling. (Part 1 of 3.)

```
24
           textArea.setDisabledTextColor(Color.BLACK); // set text color
25
           add( textArea ); // add textarea to JFrame
26
                                                                                     Registers the object of
           addKeyListener( this ); // allow frame to process key events
27
                                                                                     this class as the event
28
        } // end KeyDemoFrame constructor
                                                                                     handler.
29
30
       // handle press of any key
31
       public void keyPressed( KeyEvent event )
32
           line1 = String.format( "Key pressed: %s",
33
                                                                                     Gets text of pressed
              KeyEvent.getKeyText( event.getKeyCode() ); // show pressed key ◄
34
                                                                                     key.
35
           setLines2and3( event ); // set output lines two and three
        } // end method keyPressed
36
37
       // handle release of any key
38
       public void keyReleased( KeyEvent event )
39
40
41
           line1 = String.format( "Key released: %s",
                                                                                     Gets text of pressed
              KeyEvent.getKeyText( event.getKeyCode() ) ); // show released key◄
42
                                                                                     key.
           setLines2and3( event ); // set output lines two and three
43
        } // end method keyReleased
44
45
```

Fig. 14.36 Key event handling. (Part 2 of 3.)

```
// handle press of an action key
46
47
       public void keyTyped( KeyEvent event )
48
          line1 = String.format( "Key typed: %s", event.getKeyChar() );
49
50
          setLines2and3( event ); // set output lines two and three
       } // end method keyTyped
51
52
53
       // set second and third lines of output
       private void setLines2and3( KeyEvent event )
54
55
56
          line2 = String.format( "This key is %san action key",
              ( event.isActionKey() ? "" : "not " ) );
57
58
                                                                                   Gets text of pressed
          String temp = KeyEvent.getKeyModifiersText( event.getModifiers() );
59
                                                                                   modifier keys.
60
          line3 = String.format( "Modifier keys pressed: %s",
61
62
              ( temp.equals( "" ) ? "none" : temp ) ); // output modifiers
63
64
          textArea.setText( String.format( "%s\n%s\n%s\n",
             line1, line2, line3 )); // output three lines of text
65
66
       } // end method setLines2and3
    } // end class KeyDemoFrame
```

Fig. 14.36 Key event handling. (Part 3 of 3.)

```
// Fig. 14.37: KeyDemo.java
    // Testing KeyDemoFrame.
    import javax.swing.JFrame;
    public class KeyDemo
       public static void main( String[] args )
       {
 8
          KeyDemoFrame keyDemoFrame = new KeyDemoFrame();
10
          keyDemoFrame.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
          keyDemoFrame.setSize( 350, 100 ); // set frame size
11
          keyDemoFrame.setVisible( true ); // display frame
12
       } // end main
13
    } // end class KeyDemo
```

Fig. 14.37 | Test class for KeyDemoFrame. (Part 1 of 2.)

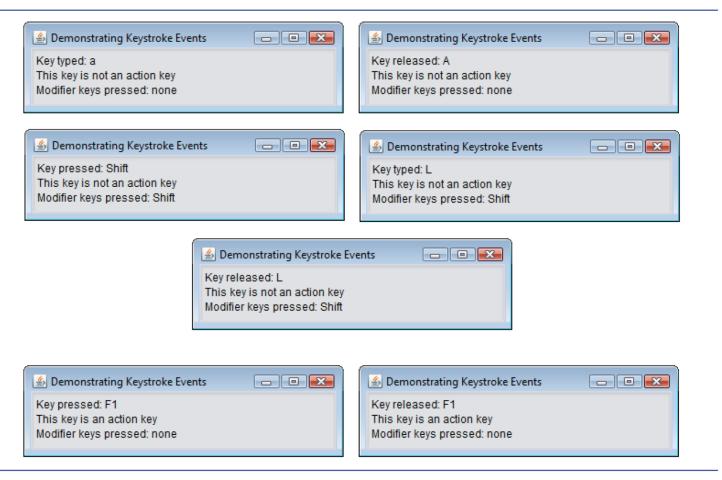


Fig. 14.37 | Test class for KeyDemoFrame. (Part 2 of 2.)

# 14.17 Key Event Handling (cont.)

- Registers key event handlers with method addKeyListener from class Component.
- KeyEvent method getKeyCode gets the virtual key code of the pressed key.
- **KeyEvent** contains virtual key-code constants that represents every key on the keyboard.
- Value returned by getKeyCode can be passed to static KeyEvent method getKeyText to get a string containing the name of the key that was pressed.
- KeyEvent method getKeyChar (which returns a char) gets the Unicode value of the character typed.
- **KeyEvent** method isActionKey determines whether the key in the event was an action key.

# 14.17 Key Event Handling (cont.)

- Method getModifiers determines whether any modifier keys (such as *Shift*, *Alt* and *Ctrl*) were pressed when the key event occurred.
  - Result can be passed to Static KeyEvent method getKeyModifiersText to get a string containing the names of the pressed modifier keys.
- ▶ InputEvent methods isAltDown, isControlDown, isMetaDown and isShiftDown each return a boolean indicating whether the particular key was pressed during the key event.

#### Lab Session

- Ex. 1. *Temperature Conversion).* Write a temperature-conversion application that converts from Fahrenheit to Celsius.
- The Fahrenheit temperature should be entered from the keyboard (via a JTextField).
- A JLabel should be used to display the converted temperature. Use the following formula for the conversion:
- Celsius =  $5/9 \times (Fahrenheit 32)$

#### Ex. 2

- Temperature-Conversion Modification. Enhance the temperature-conversion application of Exercise 1 by adding the Kelvin temperature scale.
- The application should also allow the user to make conversions between any two scales.
- Use the following formula for the conversion between Kelvin and Celsius (in addition to the formula in Exercise 1):
- ► *Kelvin* = *Celsius* + 273.15

#### Ex. 3

- Guess-the-Number Game).
- Write an application that plays "guess the number" as follows:
- ➤ Your application chooses the number to be guessed by selecting an integer at random in the range 1–1000. The application then displays the following in a label:
- ▶ I have a number between 1 and 1000. Can you guess my number?
- Please enter your first guess.
- A JTextField should be used to input the guess.
- As each guess is input, the background color should change to either red or blue. Red indicates that the user is getting "warmer," and blue, "colder." A JLabel should display either "Too High" or "Too Low" to help the user zero in.
- When the user gets the correct answer, "Correct!" should be displayed, and the JTextField used for input should be changed to be uneditable.
- A JButton should be provided to allow the user to play the game again.
- When the JButton is clicked, a new random number should be generated and the input JTextField changed to be editable.

### End of class - GUI PART I