

Package: java.awt.event.

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The Delegation Event Model

- Standard and consistent mechanism to generate and process events
- ✓ Concept
 - Source generates events and send to one or more listeners
 - Listener waits for an event to occur
 - When event happens, listener process the event and returns
 - Hint: Listener must register in order to receive an event notification
- A user interface element is able to "delegate" the processing of an event to a separate piece of code

Events

- ✓ An event is an object that describes a state change in a source
- Events are generated
 - ➤ As a consequence of a user interacting with GUI element (Eg: Button Click, Entering a character)
 - ➤ As a consequence of a previous event (Eg: Lost focus and Got focus)
 - Event are also generated without any user interaction (Eg: Timer expires, counter exceeds)

Event Sources

- ✓ A source is an object that generates an event
- ✓ A source may generate more than one type event
- ✓ Source must register listeners in order for listener to receive notification about the event
- ✓ When an event occurs, all registered listeners are notified and receive a copy of the event object, and is known as *multi-casting* the event
- ✓ General Form:
 - public void add TypeListener (TypeListener obj)
- ✓ Listener can remove from source
 - Eg: button1.removeMouseListener(this)
- ✓ All events has its own registration method

Event Listeners

- ✓ A listener is an object that is notified when an event occurs
- ✓ An event listener must
 - Registered with one or more sources to receive notification
 - Implement methods to receive and process notifications
 - These methods are defined as interfaces and found in java.awt.event package

Mouse and Keyboard events

