

Interaction System: Documentation

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1. Overview

Thank you for choosing Interaction System! This is a lightweight, performant, and data-driven plugin that allows you to create complex, stateful interactions *without writing new code*.

This system is built on the **Strategy Design Pattern** and leverages Unity's powerful [SerializeReference] feature. This combination allows you to assign a unique behavior "strategy" (like OneShotInteraction or ToggleInteraction) to any object and configure all its properties directly in the Inspector.

The custom editor script included in this package automatically finds any new InteractionStrategy you create and adds it to the component's dropdown menu, making the system 100% extensible.

2. Core Features

- **Strategy-Driven:** Assign a single, powerful "Strategy" (e.g., OneShotInteraction) to any interactable object.
- **Data-Driven:** All logic is self-contained. You no longer need to create separate scripts like Door.cs or Chest.cs.
- **Custom Inspector UI:** A clean, built-in dropdown menu lets you choose and assign your InteractionStrategy in one click.
- **Fully Extensible:** Automatically detects and adds any new C# class you write that inherits from InteractionStrategy.
- **Performant Detection:** Uses an efficient Physics.OverlapSphereNonAlloc method for zero garbage collection during runtime checks.
- **Physics Layer Filtering:** All detection is filtered by a custom Physics Layer for maximum performance.
- **Clean Architecture:** Includes pre-configured Runtime and Editor Assembly Definitions, as recommended by Unity for all standard plugins.

3. How to Use: Quick Start Guide

This guide will walk you through the setup from a blank scene to a working interaction.

Step 1: Set Up the Physics Layer

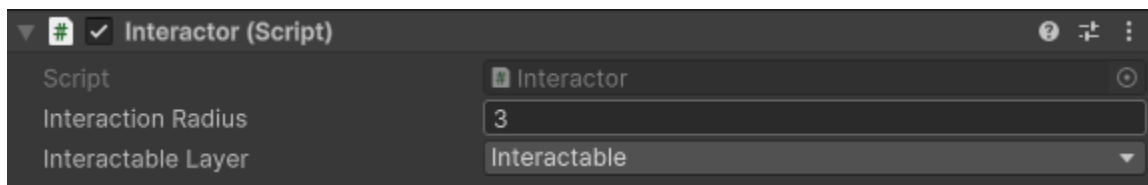
This is the most important step for performance.

1. In Unity, go to **Edit > Project Settings...**
2. Navigate to the **Tags and Layers** tab.
3. Under "Layers," add a new user layer. We recommend naming it **Interactable**. Your plugin will *only* detect objects on this layer.



Step 2: Set Up the Player (Interactor Component)

1. Select your Player GameObject.
2. Add the **Interactor.cs** component to it.
3. In the Inspector, you will see two fields that you must set:
 - a. **Interaction Radius:** The size of your detection "bubble" (e.g., 3).
 - b. **Interactable Layer:** From the dropdown, select the **Interactable** layer you just created.



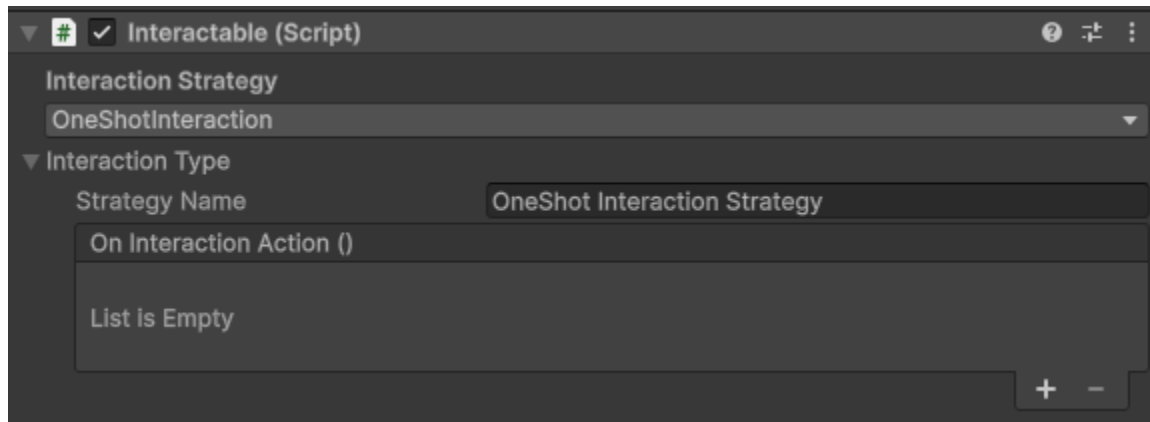
Step 3: Create an Interactable Object (Interactable Component)

This is the core of the plugin.

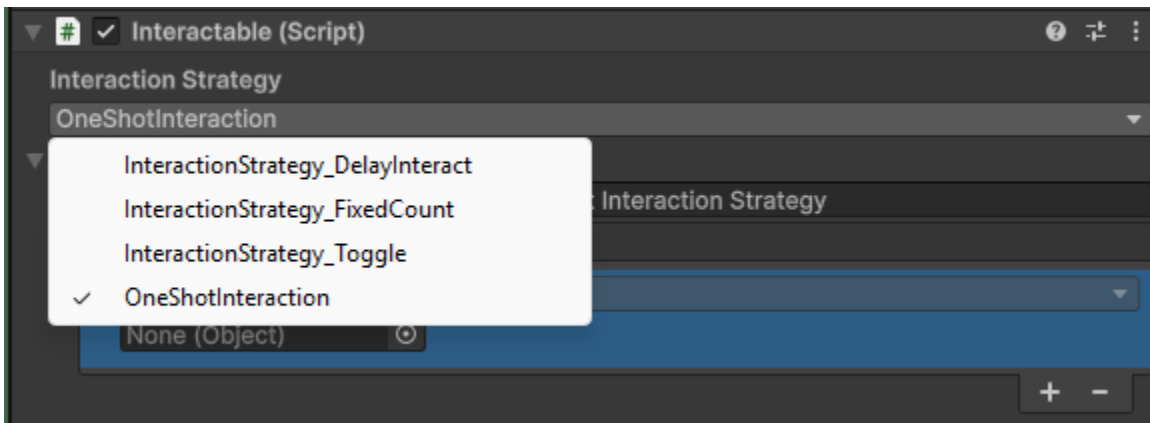
1. Create any object in your scene (like a Cube) that you want to interact with.

2. **Ensure it has a Collider** (e.g., a BoxCollider).
3. In the top-right of the Inspector, set the object's **Layer** to **Interactable**.
4. Add the **Interactable.cs** component to the object.

You will now see the Interactable component in the Inspector. It defaults to the OneShotInteraction strategy, and its fields are immediately visible and ready to be configured.



To change the behavior, simply use the "**Interaction Strategy**" dropdown. The custom editor will show you all available strategies (like ToggleInteraction) that you can switch to at any time.

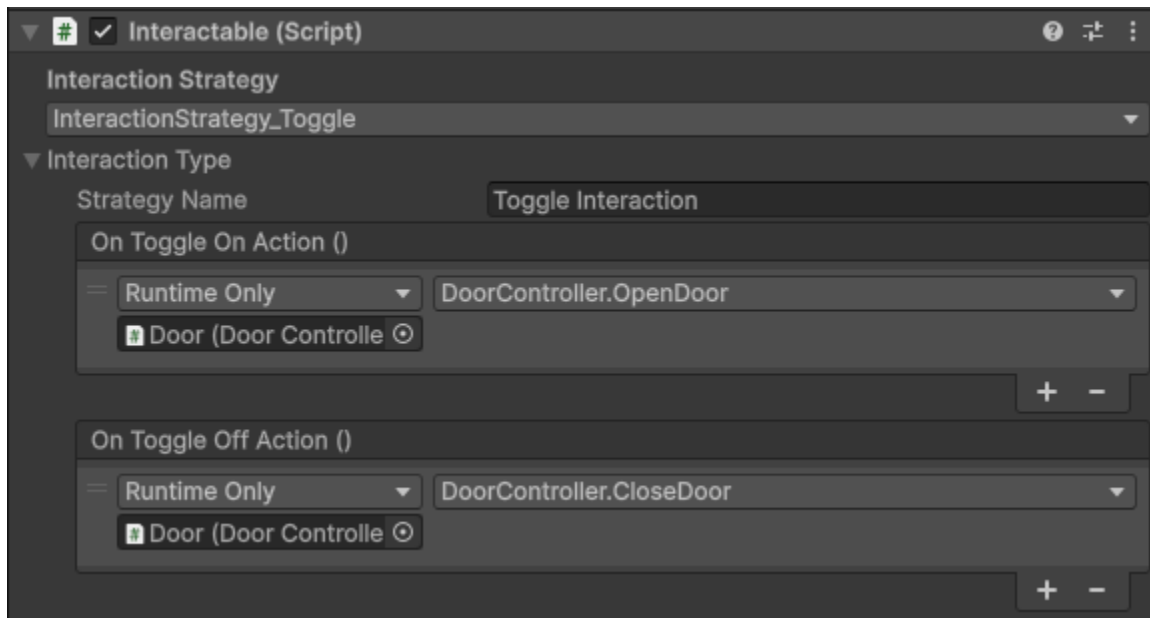


Step 4: See It in Action

The included **Sample Scene**

(Assets/InteractionSystem/Samples/DemoScene.unity) has a pre-built Player and several objects (like a chest and a door) already configured.

Press **Play** and walk up to an object. When you get close, your Interactor will detect it. Press the **E** key (or your custom key) to fire the interaction.



4. How to Extend: Creating New Strategies

The plugin automatically detects new strategies.

1. Create a new C# script (e.g., `MyNewStrategy.cs`) inside the `Runtime/Strategies` folder.
2. Make sure it inherits from `InteractionStrategy` and has the `[System.Serializable]` attribute.
3. Save the file. It will **automatically** appear in the "Interaction Strategy" dropdown on all Interactable components.

5. Support

If you have any questions, find a bug, or have a feature request, please contact:

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