



Real-World Project: Event System Using Callbacks

We'll create a **simple event-driven system** using callbacks, where different event handlers (functions) can be registered and called dynamically.



Project Overview

1. We will create an **Event class** that allows **registering callbacks**.
 2. Users can register different **event handlers** (callback functions).
 3. When an event is triggered, all registered callbacks will execute.
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1 Code: Event System with Callbacks

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cpp
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#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include <functional> // For std::function
using namespace std;

// Event class to store and call callback functions
class Event {
private:
    vector<function<void()>> callbacks; // List of callback functions

public:
    // Method to add a callback function
    void addListener(function<void()> callback) {
        callbacks.push_back(callback);
    }

    // Method to trigger the event and call all registered callbacks
    void trigger() {
        cout << "Event triggered! Calling registered functions...\n";
        for (auto& callback : callbacks) {
            callback(); // Execute each registered function
        }
    }
}
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};

// Sample event handlers
void onEvent1() {
    cout << "Handler 1: Event handled!\n";
}

void onEvent2() {
    cout << "Handler 2: Another event response!\n";
}

int main() {
    Event myEvent; // Create an event

    // Register event handlers
    myEvent.addListener(onEvent1);
    myEvent.addListener(onEvent2);

    // Trigger the event
    myEvent.trigger();

    return 0;
}
```

Explanation

- **Event Class:**
 - Stores a list of **callback functions** in a `vector<std::function<void()>>`.
 - `addListener(function<void()>):` **Registers a function** to be called when the event triggers.
 - `trigger():` Calls all registered functions.
 - **Event Handlers (`onEvent1` and `onEvent2`)**
 - Simple functions that print a message when executed.
 - **In `main()`**
 - We **register event handlers** (`onEvent1` and `onEvent2`).
 - When `trigger()` is called, both functions execute.
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3 Output

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vbnet
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Event triggered! Calling registered functions...
Handler 1: Event handled!
Handler 2: Another event response!
```

4 Why Use Callbacks in Events?

1. **Dynamic Execution** → Call different functions **without modifying core logic**.
 2. **Decoupling** → The event class **doesn't know** which functions will be executed.
 3. **Scalability** → We can **register multiple event handlers** dynamically.
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5 Bonus: Using Lambda Functions

We can also register **lambda functions** as callbacks dynamically.

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cpp
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int main() {
    Event myEvent;

    myEvent.addListener([]() { cout << "Lambda function executed!\n"; });
    myEvent.addListener([]() { cout << "Another lambda responding!\n"; });

    myEvent.trigger();

    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
bash
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Event triggered! Calling registered functions...
Lambda function executed!
Another lambda responding!
```

◆ Summary

- We built a **simple event system** using callbacks.
- **Callbacks enable flexible and modular event handling.**
- We used **function pointers**, `std::function`, and **lambdas**.