# PHASE 5: APEX PROGRAMMING (DEVELOPER)

Goal: Extend the Smart Event Management app with custom Apex logic for validations, automation, asynchronous processing, and unit testing.

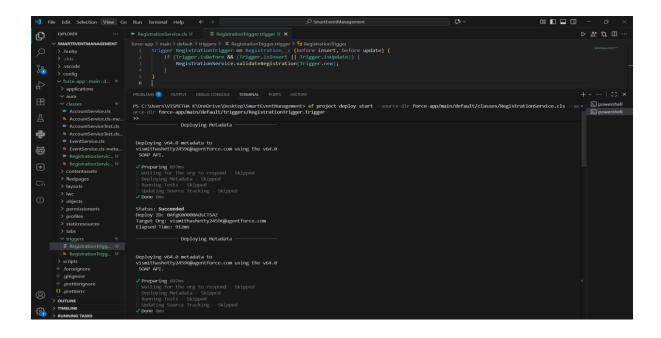
### **Step 1: Apex Classes & Objects**

- A new class RegistrationService was created to hold business logic.
- The main responsibility is to validate registrations and prevent duplicates for the same event and participant.
- Logic is kept reusable and centralized, so it can be called from multiple places.
- This ensures the project follows a clean coding pattern where triggers remain lightweight.

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# **Step 2: Apex Triggers**

- A trigger RegistrationTrigger was implemented on Registration c.
- It executes before insert and before update, ensuring invalid registrations are blocked before being committed to the database.
- The trigger itself is lean, simply delegating work to the service class.
- This follows the Trigger Handler Design Pattern, which separates trigger context from business logic.

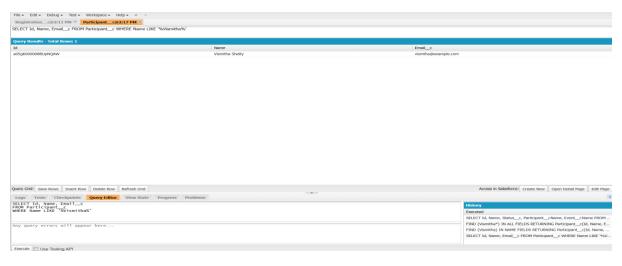


# **Step 3: Test Classes**

- A dedicated test class was created to verify the registration validation logic.
- Positive scenario: a participant can successfully register for an event once.
- Negative scenario: duplicate registration is blocked with a meaningful error.
- Assertions confirm that the logic works as intended.
- This test class also ensures code coverage requirements are met for deployment.
- An initial failure occurred due to a conflicting Flow; this was resolved by bypassing/deactivating it during test runs.

### Step 4: SOQL & SOSL

- SOQL was applied to fetch specific records with conditions (e.g., all registrations of an event, or participants by partial name).
- SOSL was explored as a global search tool across objects. While SOSL executed without errors, for custom objects like Participant\_c it did not return expected results consistently. Therefore, SOQL was chosen as the reliable method in this project.
- This reflects a real-world scenario where developers choose between SOQL and SOSL depending on object type and search requirements.



### **Step 5: Collections (List, Set, Map)**

- Collections were used extensively to handle data efficiently.
- Lists stored multiple Registration records for processing.
- Sets ensured uniqueness of Event–Participant pairs, preventing duplicate entries.
- Maps allowed quick lookups, such as linking Event Ids to Event records.
- These data structures optimized both performance and logic clarity.

#### **Step 6: Control Statements**

- If-else conditions determined when to block registrations.
- **Loops** processed batches of records in trigger context.
- Decision-making through control statements ensures rules are applied consistently across all scenarios.



### **Step 7: Asynchronous Apex**

- **Future methods** were used to handle lightweight asynchronous operations, such as sending confirmation data to external systems without delaying the user.
- Queueable Apex was explored to manage bulk operations like applying discounts across
  large sets of registrations. Its ability to chain jobs makes it more powerful than future
  methods.
- **Batch Apex** was implemented to process large volumes of registrations in chunks, for example marking waitlisted registrations as expired after an event has ended.
- Scheduled Apex was set up to automate routine tasks such as sending daily event summary reports to managers. The job runs automatically at predefined times, demonstrating Salesforce's ability to support enterprise automation.
- **Asynchronous Apex** ensures scalability, efficiency, and better system performance, especially for business processes that require heavy data processing or external integrations.

# **Step 8: Exception Handling**

- Applied to handle errors gracefully and provide user-friendly messages.
- Business rule violations are surfaced to users with clear messages (e.g., duplicate registration).
- System errors are caught and logged for debugging without breaking end-user experience.
- Example usage in project is shown below. Similarly exceptions are handled in other required places too.

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### **Step 9: Asynchronous Processing — Project Use Cases**

- Asynchronous processing was applied to simulate real-world use cases in the Smart Event Management system.
- Batch Apex was designed to automatically expire waitlisted registrations after the event has
  ended. This ensures registration data remains consistent and up to date without manual
  intervention.
- Queueable Apex was implemented to handle sponsor-driven discounts for participants. When triggered, the system bulk-updates registration fees, making the process efficient and scalable.
- **Future Methods** were used to integrate with external systems for communication. For example, once a participant registers, their details can be sent to an SMS/email service without delaying the registration save.
- **Scheduled Apex** was used to provide daily event summaries automatically to Event Managers, ensuring they have the latest updates without running reports manually.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS IN PHASE 5

- Enforced critical business rules with custom Apex code.
- Created a modular service class with a supporting trigger.
- Built and executed test classes for validation and code coverage.
- Applied SOQL, SOSL, collections, and control statements effectively.
- Understood and documented the use of asynchronous Apex techniques for scalability.
- Ensured robust exception handling to maintain system stability.