

Event System

Event

This class provides a generic representation of an event, allowing you to define events with a specific type T where T is a template

Properties:

T m_type: Type of the event. Generally will be an enum or string type.

Methods:

GetType(): Returns the event type.

Event Core Types

Every event has to inherit from class Event. These events are defined as “core” events as they have been predefined for the engine architecture.

Player Input Events:

Group of objects that inherit from Event type “PlayerInputEvents” enum.

PlayerMoveEvent, PlayerJumpEvent, PlayerAttackEvent, PlayerDieEvent.

enum PlayerInputEvents:

Enum that contains all the event types predefined. (*MOVE, JUMP, ATTACK, DIE*).

Game State Events:

Group of objects that inherit from Event type “GameStateEvents” enum.

StartGameEvent, PauseGameEvent, GameOverEvent, ExitGameEvent.

GameStateEvents:

Enum that contains all the event types predefined. (*START, PAUSE, GAME_OVER, EXIT*).

Entity Interactions Events:

Group of objects that inherit from Event type "EntityInteractionsEvents" enum.

CollisionEvent, TriggerEvent, PickupEvent.

EntityInteractionsEvents:

Enum that contains all the event types predefined. (*COLLISION, TRIGGER, PICKUP*).

Every Event class inheriting from Event can contain its own data which can be used later on the received callback. Follow the example class below:

```
class PlayerAttackEvent : public Event<PlayerInputEvents>
{
public:
    PlayerAttackEvent() : Event<PlayerInputEvents>(PlayerInputEvents::ATTACK) {}
    virtual ~PlayerAttackEvent() = default;
    float damage = -1;
};
```

EventHandler

This class handles a map containing the events from a type and its listeners.

Properties:

private

unordered_map<T, vector<pair<ListenerID, Func>>> m_listeners: Map to handle listeners for predefined (core) events.

unordered_map<T, vector<pair<ListenerID, FuncArgs>>> m_genericListeners: Map to handle listeners for generic (custom) events.

ListenerID listenerIndex: Listener id generation index.

using

using Func = function<void(const Event<T>&)>;

using FuncArgs = function<void(const Event<string>&, const vector<any>&)>;

using ListenerID = int;

Methods:

public

EventHandler(): default constructor.

~EventHandler(): default destructor.

ListenerID AddListener(T type, const Func& callback):

Add a listener to the type of event.

type: Event type (*Generally enum or string*).

callback: Callback listener callback with an event type as a parameter.

returns Listener id generated.

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returns Listener id generated.

bool RemoveListener(const T& type, const ListenerID & id, bool isGenericEvent = true):

Removes a listener based on its type and listener ID.

type: Type of the event where to remove the listener.

id: Listener ID generated when added.

isGenericEvent: If it is a core type event or a custom one. Depending on which one it will search in the core map or the generic map for events.

returns Operation success result.

void DispatchEvent(const Event<T>& event):

Dispatch the event to all its listeners.

event: Event to be dispatched.

void DispatchEvent(const Event<string>& event, const vector<any>& args):

Dispatch the event to all its listeners.

event: Event to be dispatched.

args: event args to be dispatched.

EventManager

This class manages all the events and event handlers. Other objects can subscribe, unsubscribe and send events through this object.

Properties:

private

EventHandler<PlayerInputEvents>* m_playerInputEventHandler: Player Input event handler.

EventHandler<GameStateEvents>* m_gameStateEventHandler: Game State event handler.

EventHandler<EntityInteractionsEvents>* m_entityInteractionsEventHandler: Entity Interactions event handler.

EventHandler<string>* m_genericEventHandler: Generic event handler.

static unique_ptr<EventManager> m_instance: Singleton instance.

Methods:

Public

EventManager(): Constructor.

~EventManager(): Destructor.

static EventManager* getInstance(): Returns Event Manager Singleton.

EventHandler<PlayerInputEvents>* GetPlayerInputEventHandler()const: Returns player input event handler.

EventHandler<GameStateEvents>* GetGameStateEventHandler()const: Returns game state event handler.

EventHandler<EntityInteractionsEvents>* GetEntityInteractionsEventHandler()const: Returns entity interactions event handler.

EventHandler<string>* GetGenericEventHandler()const: Returns generic event handler.

static void AddEventListener(const string& eventID, function<void(const Event<string>&, const vector<any>&> callback):

Add a new listener to the generic event handler.

eventID: Event identifier.

callback: Function that contains the event to subscribe and the event args.

this example below shows how to add a new listener using a lambda expression:

```
//Example of a generic event subscription with a lambda
EventManager::AddEventListener(CUSTOM_EVENT_1, [](const Event<string>& e, const vector<any>& args) {
    try
    {
        int code = any_cast<int>(args[0]);
        auto message = any_cast<string>(args[1]);
        cout << "Event received: " << e.GetType() << ", Code: " << code << ", Message: " << message << endl;
    }
    catch (const bad_any_cast& ex)
    {
        cerr << "Error: " << ex.what() << endl;
    }
});
```

Definitions

**AddPlayerInputEventListener, AddGameStateEventListener,
AddEntityInteractionsEventListener, AddGenericEventListener**

Add listeners: Adds a new listener to an eventhandler based on the event type. Binds callback function with sender. Returns the listener ID.

**RemovePlayerInputEventListener, RemoveGameStateEventListener,
RemoveEntityInteractionsEventListener, RemoveGenericEventListener**

Remove listeners: Removes a new listener from an eventhandler based on the event type and a listener ID. Returns success result.

**SendPlayerInputEvent, SendGameStateEvent, SendEntityInteractionsEvent,
SendGenericEvent**

Send a new event using an event handler based on the event type.