

NAME

Pod::Simple::Methody -- turn Pod::Simple events into method calls

SYNOPSIS

```
require 5;
use strict;
package SomePodFormatter;
use base qw(Pod::Simple::Methody);

sub handle_text {
    my($self, $text) = @_;
    ...
}

sub start_head1 {
    my($self, $attrs) = @_;
    ...
}
sub end_head1 {
    my($self) = @_;
    ...
}
```

...and start_/end_ methods for whatever other events you want to catch.

DESCRIPTION

This class is of interest to people writing Pod formatters based on Pod::Simple.

This class (which is very small — read the source) overrides Pod::Simple’s `_handle_element_start`, `_handle_text`, and `_handle_element_end` methods so that parser events are turned into method calls. (Otherwise, this is a subclass of [Pod::Simple](#) and inherits all its methods.)

You can use this class as the base class for a Pod formatter/processor.

METHOD CALLING

When [Pod::Simple](#) sees a “=head1 Hi there”, for example, it basically does this:

```
$parser->_handle_element_start( "head1", \%attributes );
$parser->_handle_text( "Hi there" );
$parser->_handle_element_end( "head1" );
```

But if you subclass [Pod::Simple::Methody](#), it will instead do this when it sees a “=head1 Hi there”:

```
$parser->start_head1( \%attributes ) if $parser->can('start_head1');
$parser->handle_text( "Hi there" ) if $parser->can('handle_text');
$parser->end_head1() if $parser->can('end_head1');
```

If [Pod::Simple](#) sends an event where the element name has a dash, period, or colon, the corresponding method name will have a underscore in its place. For example, “foo.bar:baz” becomes `start_foo_bar_baz` and `end_foo_bar_baz`.

See the source for [Pod::Simple::Text](#) for an example of using this class.

SEE ALSO

[Pod::Simple](#), [Pod::Simple::Subclassing](#)

SUPPORT

Questions or discussion about POD and [Pod::Simple](#) should be sent to the pod-people@perl.org mail list. Send an empty email to pod-people-subscribe@perl.org to subscribe.

This module is managed in an open GitHub repository, <<https://github.com/perl-pod/pod-simple/>>. Feel free to fork and contribute, or to clone <[git://github.com/perl-pod/pod-simple.git](https://github.com/perl-pod/pod-simple.git)> and send patches!

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