

# Interactr

## Iteration 3

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# Design

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- Low representational gap
- Main classes : Diagram, Message, Party
- Business logic completely separate from UI

*Put diagram of domain model here*

# Entry Point - Controller

Everything starts in Controller :

- creates a Window (extends CanvasWindow)
- associates the window with PaintBoard (draw events)
- associates the window with EventHandler (key/mouse events)

Both support Protected Variations. Both encapsulate *awt* package.

# Controller - Underlying Structure

The Controller keeps track of a list of SubWindows.

A SubWindow can be a DiagramWindow or a DialogBox.

Each SubWindow has a frame.

Each SubWindow is '*activated*' by putting it at the front of the window list.

## SubWindows - Diagram Windows & Dialog Boxes

A DiagramWindow has two DiagramViews.

A DialogBox has a list of Controls.

A Diagram is directly altered by these classes.

Synchronization is done with the Observer pattern.

Since Diagram knows when it changes, it keeps a list of DiagramObservers and notifies them (Information Expert).

→ disadvantage : coordinates aren't synchronised



# Event Handling - How it all Starts

- Every mouse or key event goes from Window → EventHandler.
- EventHandler interprets the events and transforms them into Command instances.
- Command is forwarded to Controller.

Note : if event is a *mouse press*, EventHandler asks the Controller to activate the SubWindow at that coordinate first.

# Event Handling - Executing Commands

*Precondition* : SubWindow is active

- Every Command can be handled by a CommandHandler.
- DiagramWindow, DiagramView and DialogBox extend theCommandHandler class.
- The first CommandHandler is the active SubWindow.
- Every CommandHandler either deals with the Command or - on failure - passes it to the next CommandHandler in its chain.

Patterns used : Command, Visitor and Chain of Responsibility.

The `PaintBoard` encapsulates the *awt* package. It is passed along to any class responsible for drawing. Drawing is done 'on' the paint board.

- manages clip rect (to prevent overflowing)
- allows color changes
- ...

→ it is a Facade

Each class that displays something draws itself (Information Expert) :

- SubWindow draws title bar, close button, frame.
- DiagramView draws diagram with messages, parties, ...
  - use of Visitor pattern to generate figures (representations) for these diagram components.
  - these figures are Flyweights.
  - separation of UI / domain logic without use of type checking (i.e. instanceof).
- Control draws itself, eg. text for label.

# Extensibility

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Command pattern eases undoing, allows delayed processing, use by menu items, ... When using new types of events (eg. speech recognition) only `EventHandler` has to change.

Small disadvantages ;

- many new types of `CommandHandler`
  - bloated `Command` abstract class (`Visitor` pattern discussion)
- if `Chain of Responsibility` is long
  - wasted processing







# Testing

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Coverage here!

# Project Management

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- weekly meeting with assistant
- +- 40 hours per person
- designed, refactored, tested, redesigned, ... in no particular order

# Demonstration