

# Software Architectures

## Part 4: Architectural Patterns

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# What are you about to learn?

## Knowledge

- ▶ Can explain the architectural pattern "layers"
- ▶ Can explain the architectural pattern "pipes and filters"
- ▶ Can explain the architectural pattern "plug-in"
- ▶ Can explain the architectural pattern "broker"
- ▶ Can explain the architectural pattern "service-oriented architecture"
- ▶ Can explain the architectural pattern "model-view-controller"

## Layers

# The Layers Pattern

## Problem

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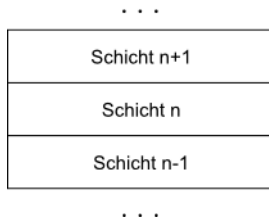
- ▶ Partition complex systems such as to minimize dependencies between their parts
- ▶ Structure the system horizontally such that a higher layer acts as a client that is being served by a lower layer server
- ▶ Lower level servers may act as client to their lower layers
- ▶ Each tier represents some abstraction

# The Layers Pattern

## Solution

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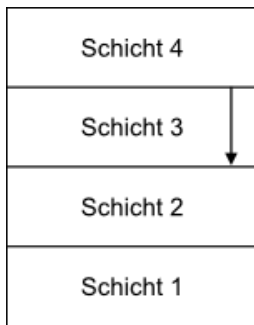
- ▶ Components are arranged in layers (tiers)
- ▶ Each tier serves a dedicated purpose, e.g. communication, data management
- ▶ Client-server model: lower layers offer services to higher layers



# The Layers Pattern

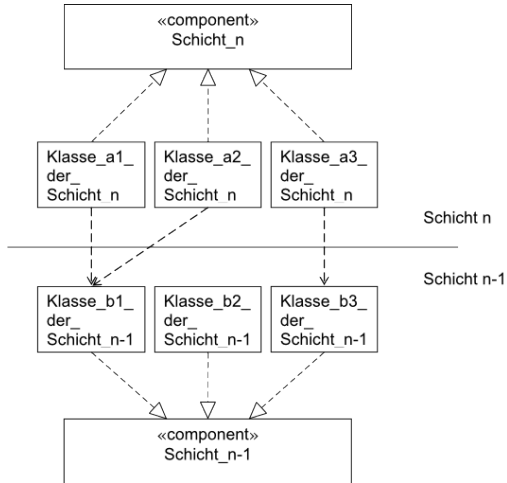
## Call Order

- ▶ Higher layers can call services of a lower layer
- ▶ Lower layers must not call services of a higher layer
- ▶ With layer bridging: higher layers can call services several layers lower
- ▶ Strict layering: Higher layer just call services from layer directly below



# The Layers Pattern

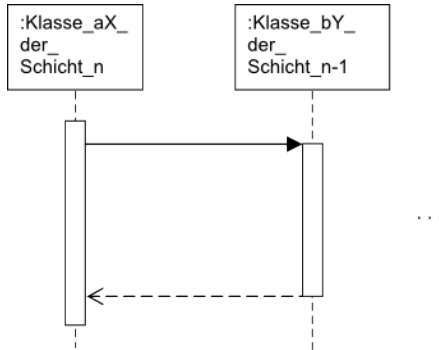
## Class Diagram





# The Layers Pattern

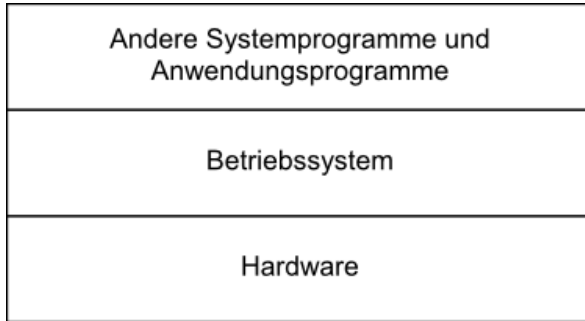
## Participants and Dynamic Behaviour



# The Layers Pattern

## Tier Structure of a Computer

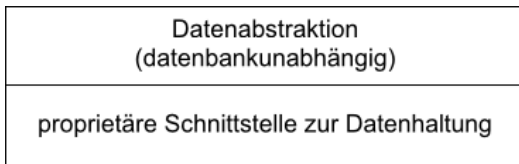
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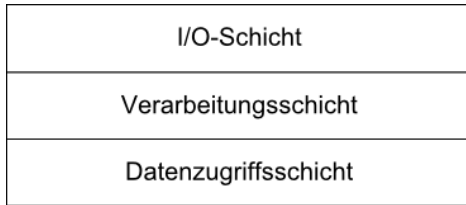
## Database Abstraction

Examples: Torque, Hibernate, EclipseLink



# The Layers Pattern

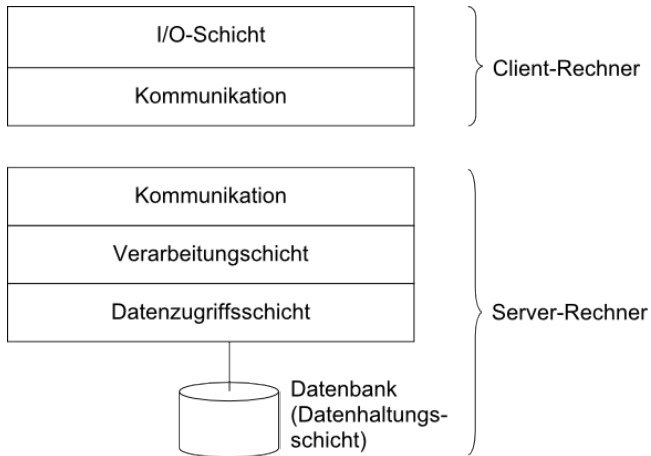
## Single Computer System



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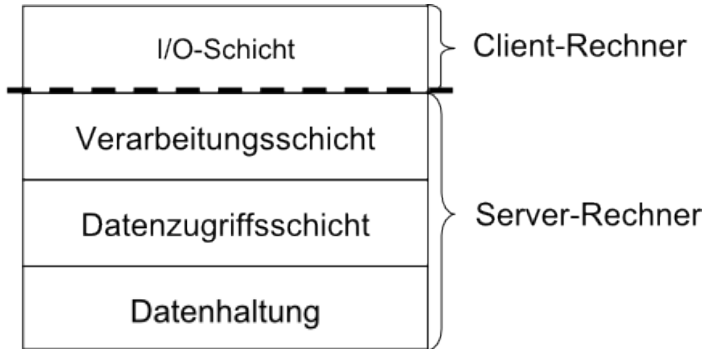
# The Layers Pattern

## Client-Server Tier Model



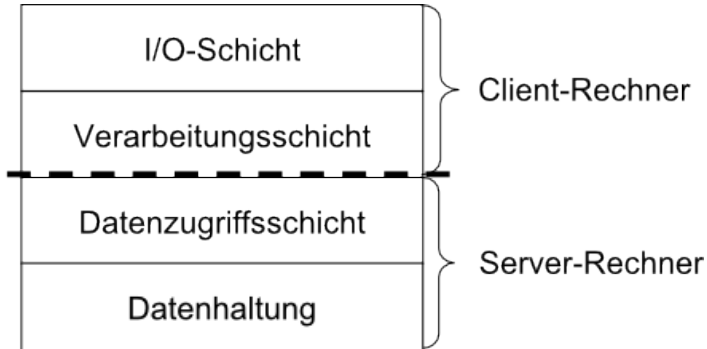
# The Layers Pattern

## Thin Client



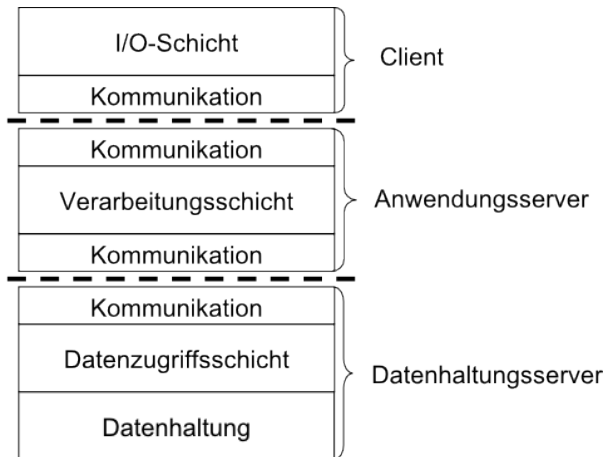
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## Fat Client



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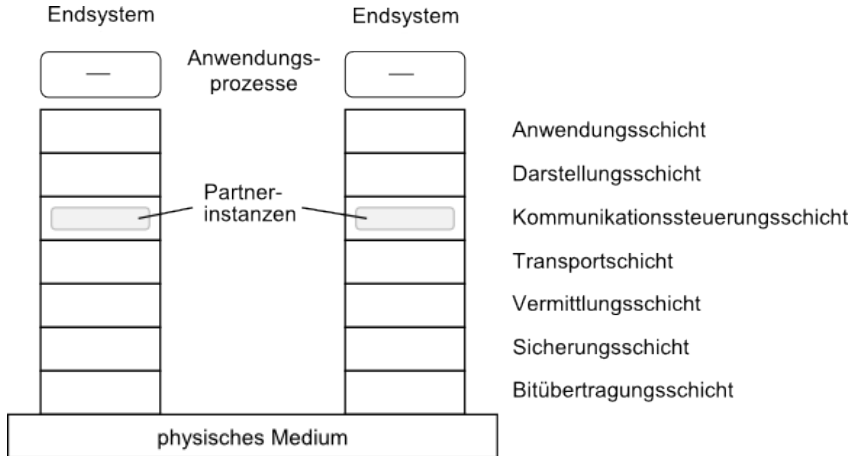
## Three-Tier Architecture





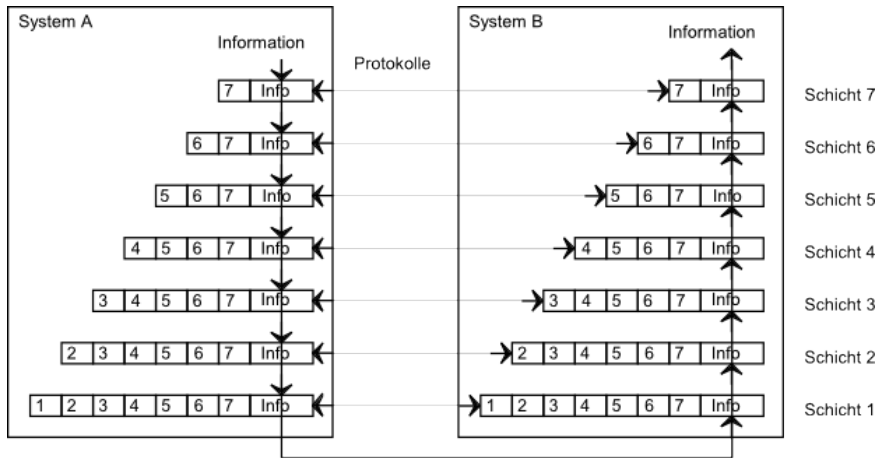
# The Layers Pattern

## The ISO/OSI Communication Layers Model



# The Layers Pattern

## The ISO/OSI Communication Path



# Pipes and Filters

# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Problem

### Problem

- ▶ Data stream oriented systems shall be partitioned into a number of steps
- ▶ The system shall be easily extendible
- ▶ The system shall support parallel processing as much as possible

# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Solution

### Solution

- ▶ The system task is being decomposed into separate processing steps
- ▶ Each step is being implemented as a **filter**
- ▶ Each filter is connected to the following via a **pipe**
- ▶ Filters read data, transform them, and output the transformed data

### Filters

- ▶ can remove data from their input data stream
- ▶ can add data to their input data stream
- ▶ can modify data read from their input data stream

# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

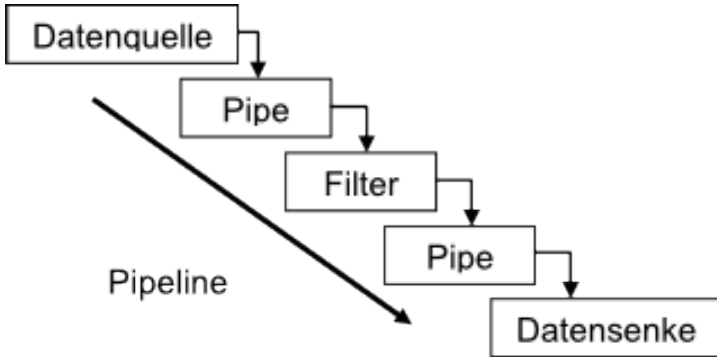
## Solution: Pipe

### Pipes

- ▶ A pipe transfers and buffers data
  - ▶ A pipe decouples the entities it connects
  - ▶ Writing into a pipe and reading from a pipe can be asynchronous
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- ▶ We call the arrangement of filters connected with pipes a **pipeline**
  - ▶ A pipeline connects a **data source** with a **data sink**
  - ▶ Typically active filters are being used, often implemented as separate parallel processes

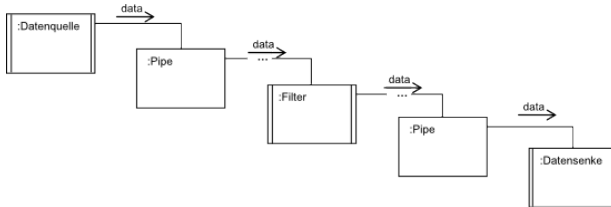
# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Pipelines



# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Communication Diagram



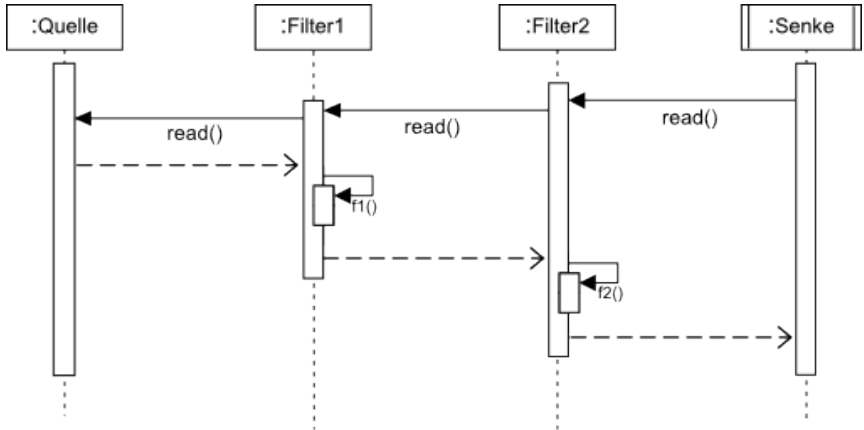
## Participants

- ▶ Data source
- ▶ Pipe
- ▶ Filter
- ▶ Data sink



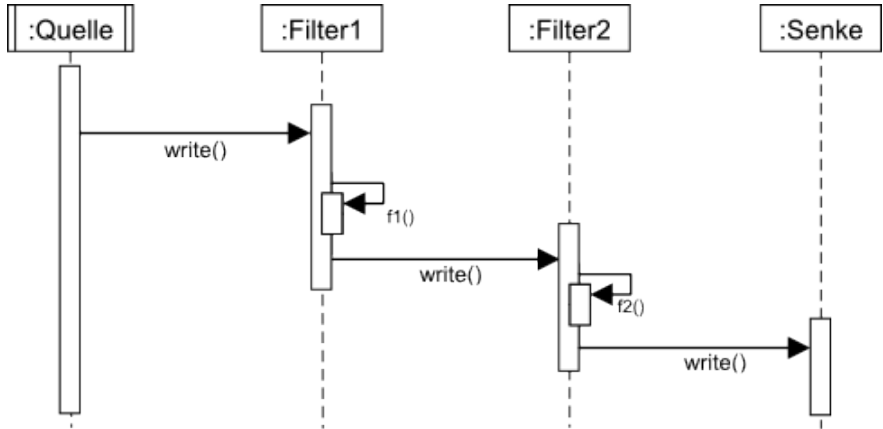
# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Pull Principle



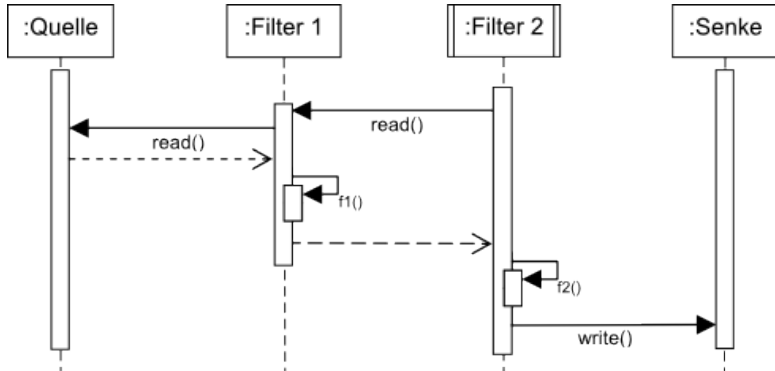
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## Push Principle



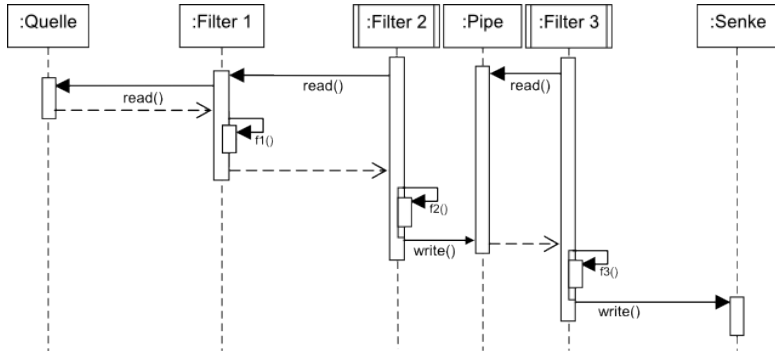
# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Mixed Push and Pull Principle



# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Asynchronous Decoupling of Two Filters



# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Advantages

- ▶ Easy to add new filters or to remove them
- ▶ Easy to change the order of filters in a pipeline
- ▶ Filters can be developed independently, facilitating rapid prototyping
- ▶ Only adjacent filters share data, all others are decoupled
- ▶ Storing intermediate information is unnecessary
- ▶ Filters can run in parallel
- ▶ Filters can be reused easily

# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

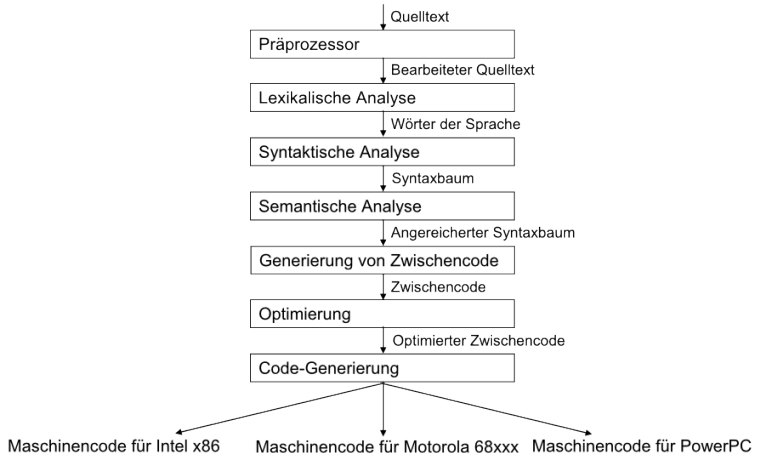
## Disadvantages

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- ▶ It is difficult to handle errors properly since there is no single system state
- ▶ The slowest filter in the pipeline determines the throughput
- ▶ Data format transformations may be required if filter input and output formats do not match

# The Pipes and Filters Pattern

## Application Areas: Compiler



## Plug-In



# The Plug-In Pattern

## Problem

### Problem

- ▶ It shall be possible to add new functionality to existing software without having to modify it
- ▶ New functionality shall be addable by third parties
- ▶ The system shall work without add-ons, but shall provide more functionality with them

# The Plug-In Pattern

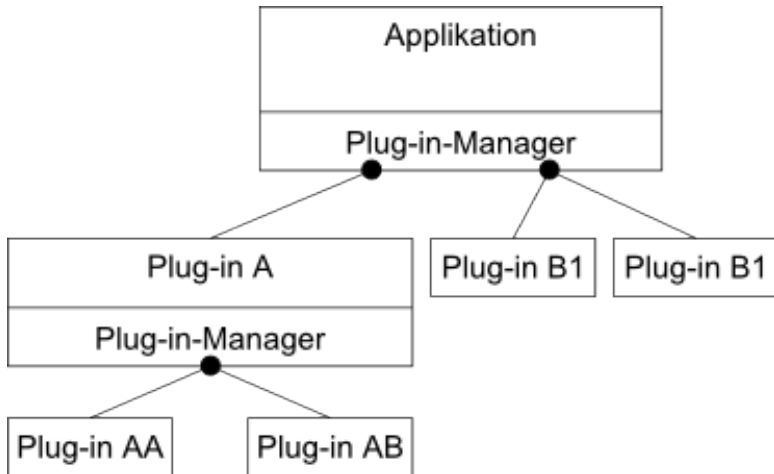
## Solution

### Solution

- ▶ There are interfaces defined as extension points
- ▶ Plug-ins implement these interfaces and are registered with the core system
- ▶ During runtime plug-ins replace the interfaces with real implementations

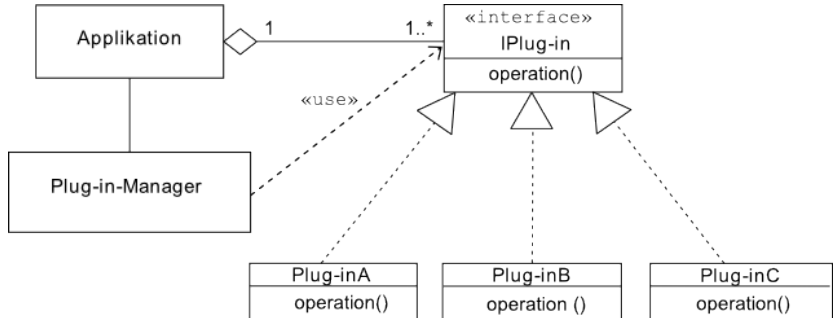
# The Plug-In Pattern

## Plug-in Architecture



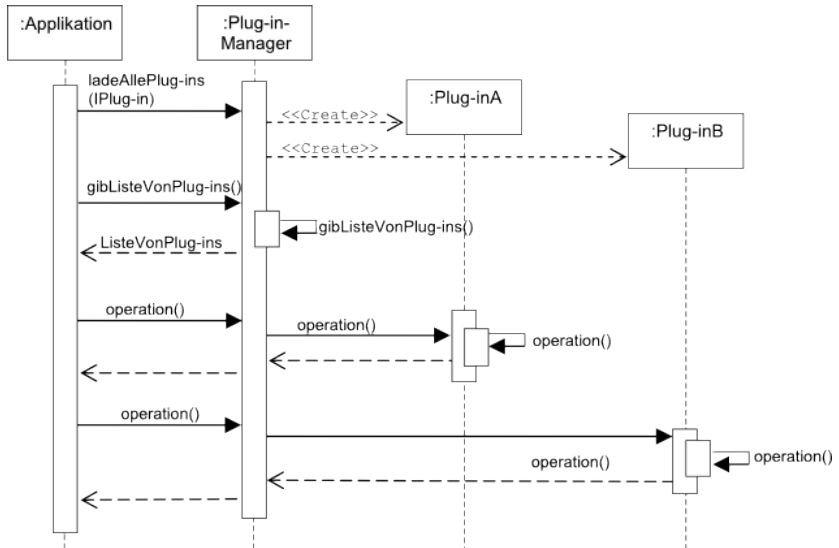
# The Plug-In Pattern

## Class Diagram



# The Plug-In Pattern

## Dynamic Behaviour



## Broker

# The Broker Pattern

## Problem

### Problem

- ▶ Large systems must be scalable (more users, more transactions)
- ▶ System components must be distributable to several computers
- ▶ Components must thus be loosely coupled so that they can be distributed
- ▶ It wouldn't be feasible to have every component know all the others

# The Broker Pattern

## Solution

### Solution

- ▶ Components are classified by their role in inter-component communication
- ▶ Server components provide one or more services
- ▶ Client components consume one or more server component services
- ▶ These roles can change during operation, i.e. server can become clients
- ▶ The broker pattern puts an intermediate layer between client and server components in a distributed system



# The Broker Pattern

## Solution

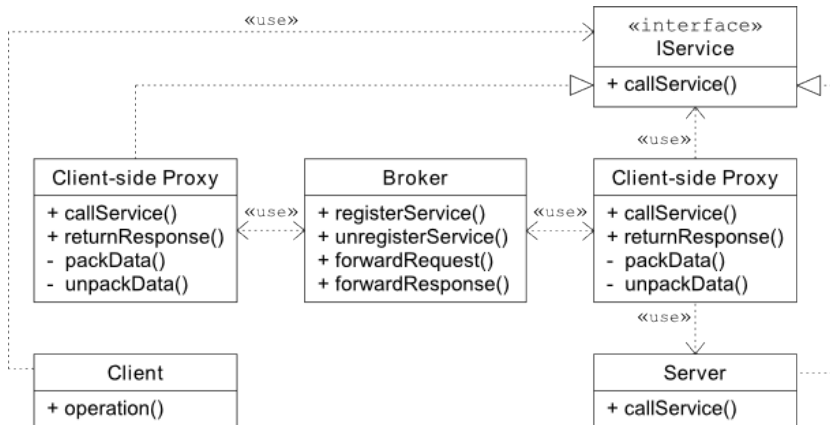
- ▶ Server register their services with the broker and then wait for requests
- ▶ Clients request a service from the broker
- ▶ The broker transfers the request to one of the servers
- ▶ The server responds to the broker who in turn transfers the response to the client
- ▶ The client does not need to know the physical location of the server
- ▶ To the client it is immaterial which physical server instance it is served by
- ▶ The broker is the only one that has to have knowledge of the physical instances of clients and servers

# The Broker Pattern

## Proxies

- ▶ A client class calls a method of a server class
- ▶ This works only if server and client classes reside in the same computer or VM
- ▶ In a distributed system, the method calls need to be serialized for transmission over a communication network (**marshalling**)
- ▶ At the receiving side the serialized method call needs to be converted back into a standard method call (**unmarshalling**)
- ▶ For this purpose we introduce a **client-side proxy** and a **server-side proxy**
- ▶ The client thus call a client-side proxy method which interacts with the broker
- ▶ The broker transfers the clients call to the server-side proxy which interacts with the server

# The Broker Pattern Structure



# The Broker Pattern

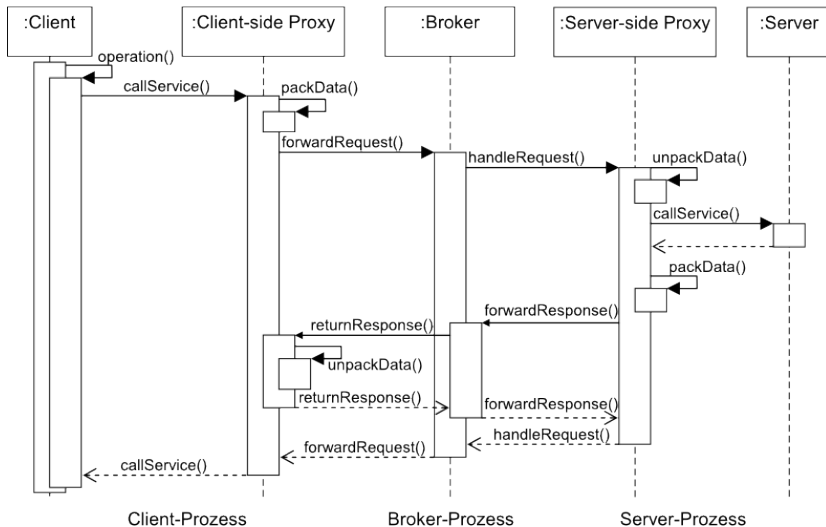
## Participants

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- ▶ Client
- ▶ Client-side proxy
- ▶ Broker
- ▶ Server-side proxy
- ▶ Server

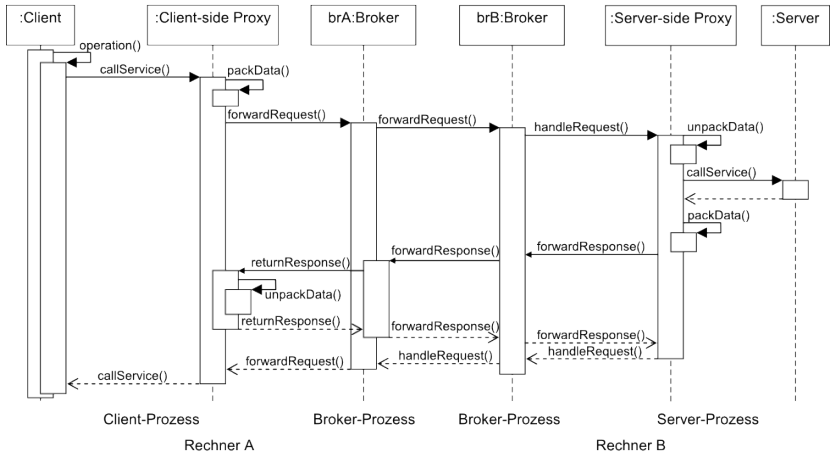
# The Broker Pattern

## Dynamic Behaviour, Single Computer



# The Broker Pattern

## Dynamic Behaviour, Several Computer



# The Broker Pattern

## Advantages

- ▶ The broker pattern separates communication between client and server from functionality (separation of concerns)
- ▶ Server implementation can change as long as interface remains stable
- ▶ Client has no need to know anything about the physical server instance, it only needs to know the local broker and the logical service it requests
- ▶ The same is true for the server
- ▶ Client and server are platform-independent. They can be implemented in different programming languages
- ▶ The broker pattern enables very large software systems distributed across many computers

# The Broker Pattern

## Disadvantages

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- ▶ The local broker constitutes a central point of failure in case anything goes wrong
- ▶ Performance is penalized by marshalling and unmarshalling operations
- ▶ Broker can become a performance bottleneck
- ▶ Brokers and proxies are tightly coupled.



# The Broker Pattern

## Examples

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- ▶ The internet with a domain name server (DNS)
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- ▶ Broker can become a performance bottleneck
- ▶ Brokers and proxies are tightly coupled.

# Service-Oriented-Architecture

# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Problem

### Problem

- ▶ Business processes need to be supported by IT
- ▶ As business processes change frequently, IT system need to change as well
- ▶ If business process architecture is tied too closely to IT architecture, modifications in the former may require architectural changes on the latter
- ▶ Architectural changes in software systems are expensive and take a long time

# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Solution

### Solution

- ▶ We encapsulate business processes or parts thereof in components
- ▶ A **service** or **application service** implements a **use case**

# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Properties

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- ▶ Distribution - a service is available in a network
- ▶ Component appearance, can be called independently
- ▶ Stateless - service starts in the same state with each call
- ▶ Loosely coupled - services do not depend on each other
- ▶ Exchangeability - standardized interfaces promote this property
- ▶ Location transparency - the actual hardware is immaterial
- ▶ Platform independence - operating system and hardware are immaterial
- ▶ Access via interface - knowledge of interface suffices to use service
- ▶ Service directory, service register, service broker

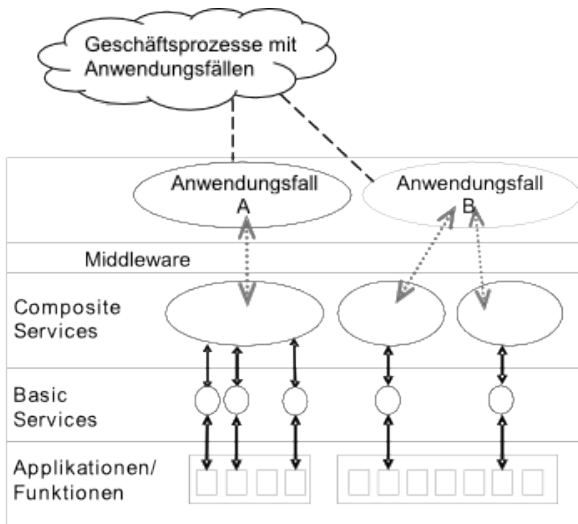
# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Types of Services

- ▶ A **business process** is characterized by a number of use cases
- ▶ A use case is supported by a **composite service**
- ▶ Often services are composed of **basic services**
- ▶ A composite service is comprised of basic services and may use other services

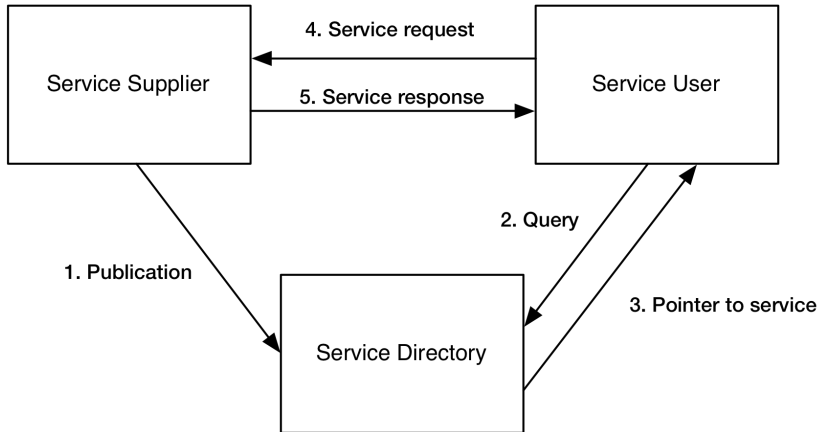
# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Layer Diagram for Services



# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

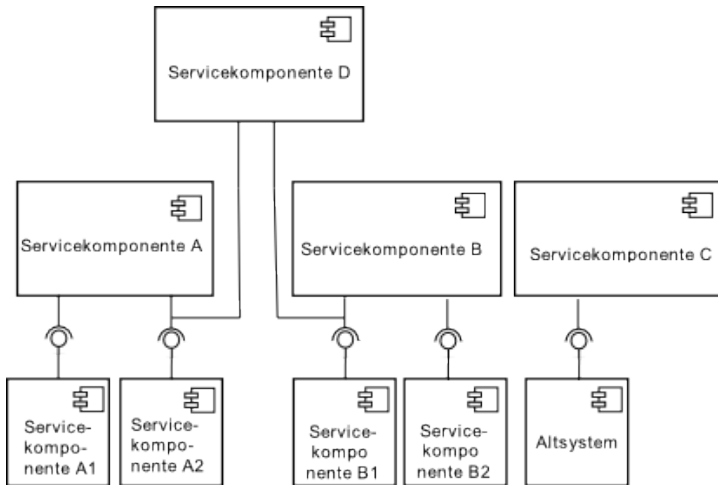
## Cooperation in a SOA





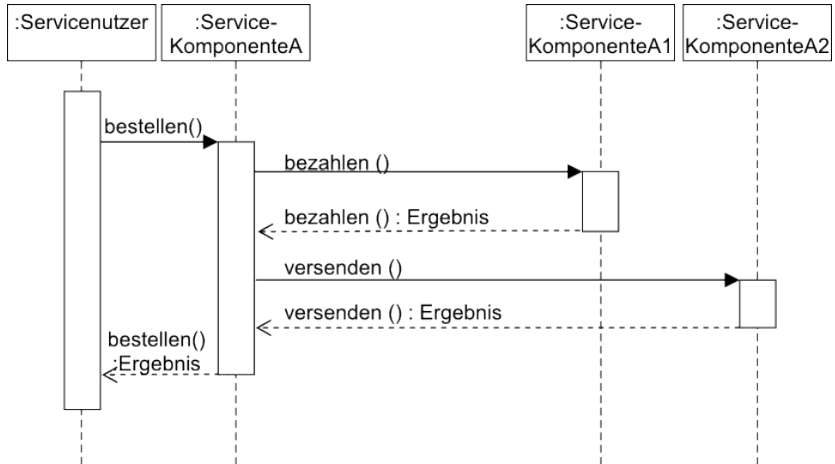
# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## SOA Component Diagram



# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Example for Sequence Diagram



# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Advantages

- ▶ Mapping of business processes to services gives a good overview of all services required and interfaces used
- ▶ Complexity of distributed systems is reduced due to the partitioning
- ▶ Services and basic services can be reused
- ▶ Services can be exchanged as long as the interface remains compatible

# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Disadvantages

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- ▶ If services are made too small complexity increases
- ▶ There is an overhead due to the required communication through several layers
- ▶ The commonly used protocols place require considerable network bandwidth
- ▶ A SOA is only effective if the associated business processes are well defined

# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

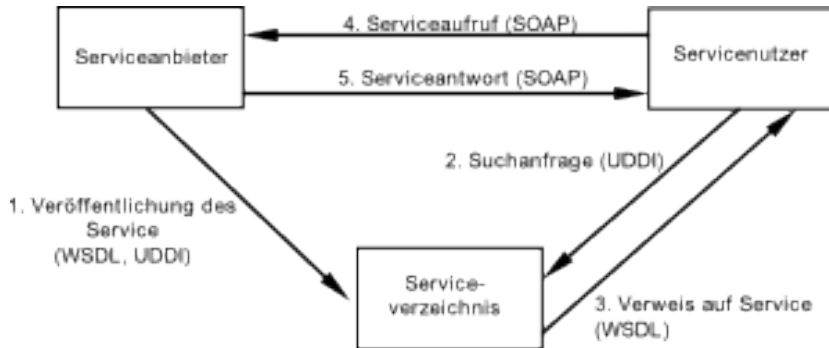
## Implementations

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- ▶ XML based web services
- ▶ REST (**R**epresentational **S**tate **T**ransfer) web services
- ▶ CORBA (**C**ommon **O**bject **R**equest **B**roker **A**rchitecture)
- ▶ OSGI

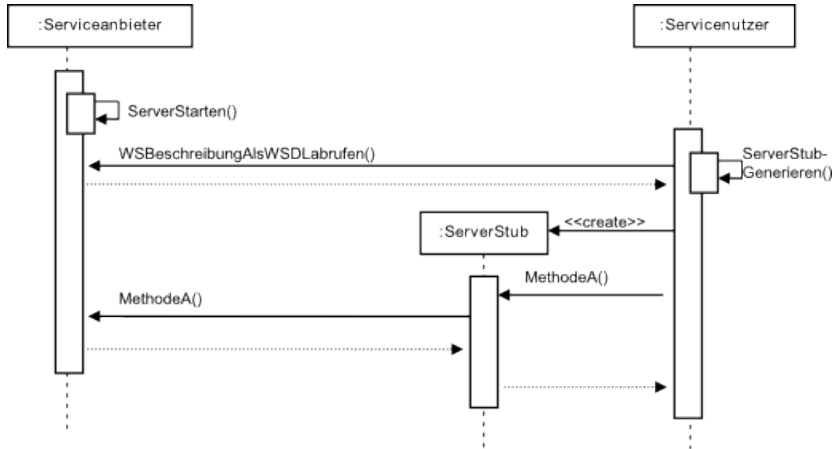
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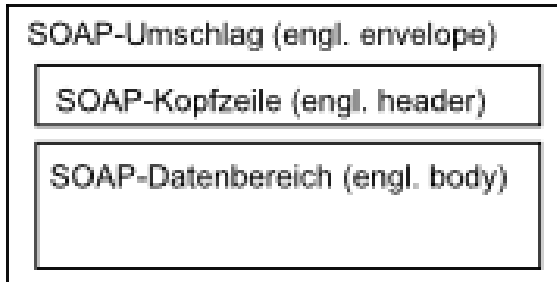
## XML-based Web Service



# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## JAX-WS Sequence Diagram

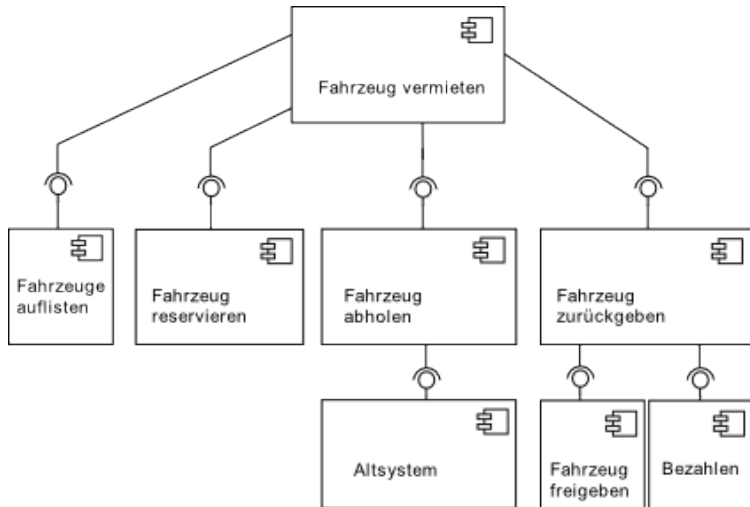






# The Service-Oriented-Architecture Pattern

## Component Diagram of a SOAP Implementation



# Model-View-Controller

# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Problem

### Problem

- ▶ The user interface is a component that often changes
- ▶ The same information may have to be presented in different ways
- ▶ Any presentation shall be updated when the underlying information changes
- ▶ Example: Spread sheet with graphical and tabular presentation of data

# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Solution

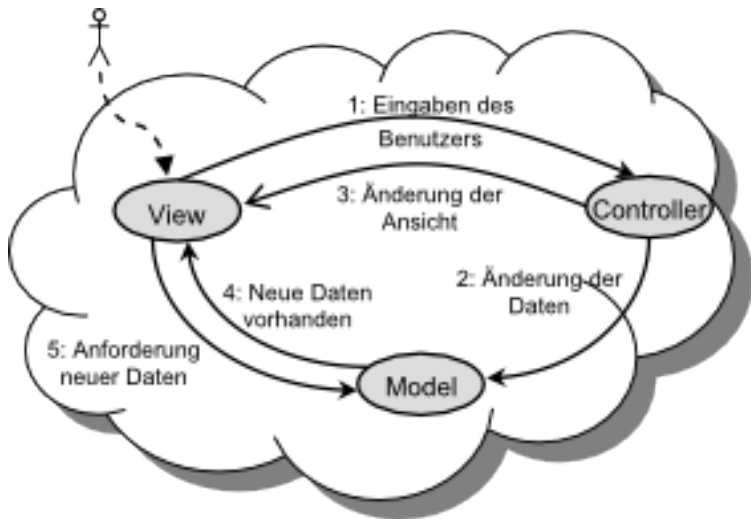
### Solution

- ▶ Data storage and processing (model)
- ▶ Presentation logic (view)
- ▶ User input processing (controller)

are assigned to dedicated components

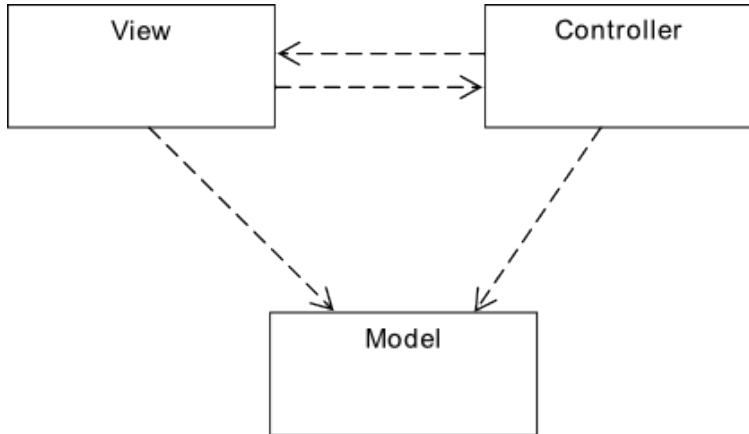
# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Component Interaction



# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Components and their Relationships



# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Model

- ▶ The model stores the data to be presented in a view
- ▶ In simple systems the model may contain some business logic
- ▶ The model shall be independent of views and controllers
- ▶ In case model data changes the controller may inform the views (passive model)
- ▶ In case model data changes the model informs the views (active model)
- ▶ In push mode the model actively sends the data to the view
- ▶ In pull mode the model informs the view that there is new data

# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## View

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- ▶ The view serves to present model data to a user
- ▶ There can be many views on the same model data
- ▶ All views are updated in case of a model data change
- ▶ A view may furthermore present interactive elements like buttons
- ▶ Interaction with these elements creates events that usually are handled by the controller



# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

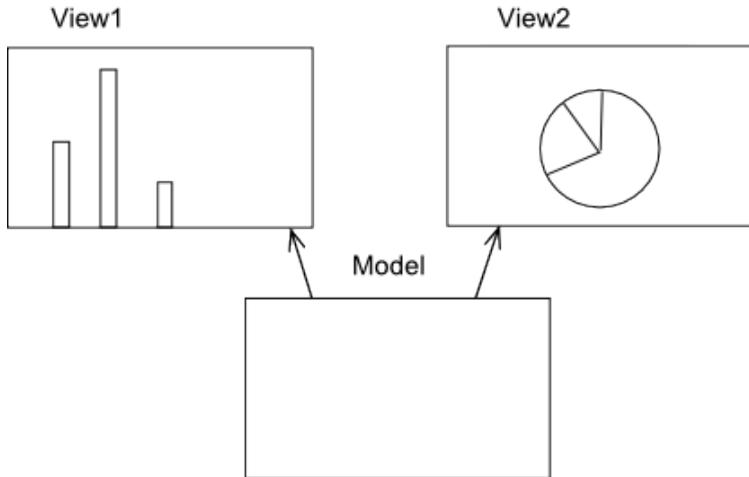
## Controller

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- ▶ The controller controls the model and view state based on user input
- ▶ The controller transforms events caused by user actions into method calls of the model
- ▶ The controller controls the state of the view, e.g. to activate or deactivate control elements

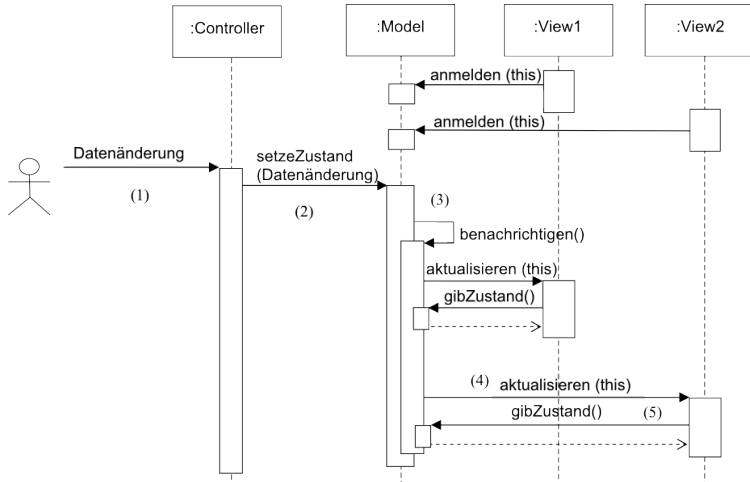
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## One Model and two Views



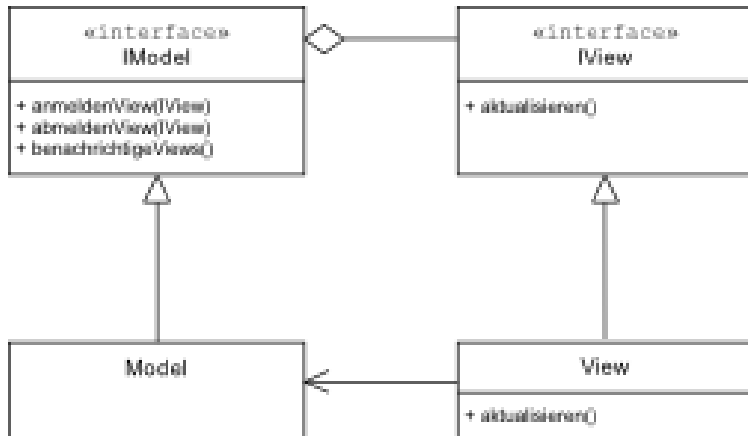
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## Updating the Model



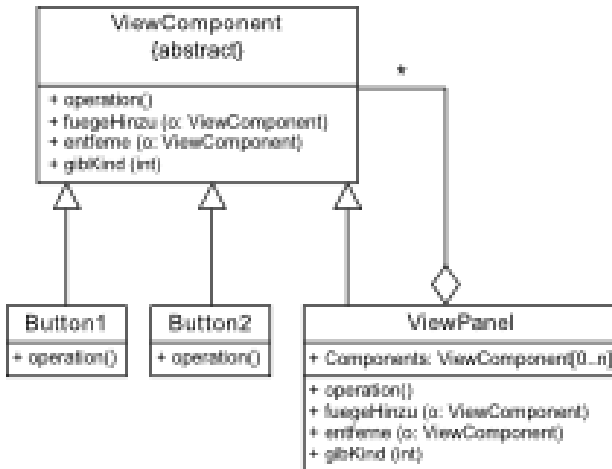
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## MVC and Observer Pattern in Pull Mode



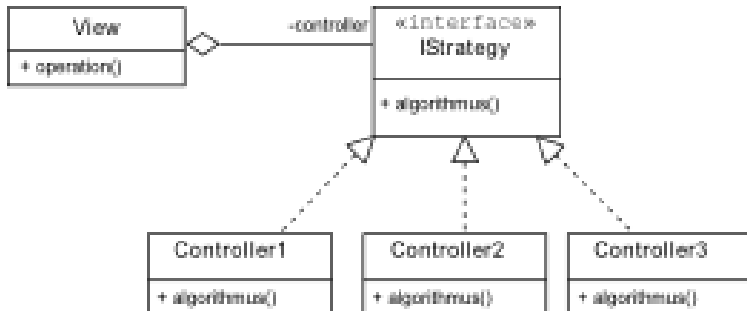
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## MVC and Composite Pattern



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## MVC and Strategy Pattern

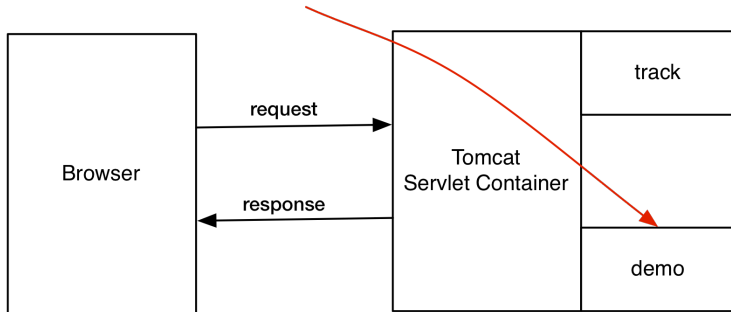


# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Servlet Container

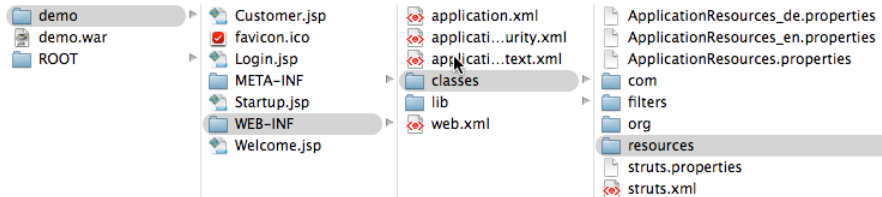
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# The Model-View-Controller Pattern

## Servlet Container Directory Structure





# MVC2 Pattern:web.xml

```
1<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2<web-app xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/javaee"
3  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
4  xsi:schemaLocation="..." version="2.5">
5  <filter>
6    <filter-name>struts2</filter-name>
7    <filter-class>org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.ng.filter.
8                          StrutsPrepareAndExecuteFilter</filter-class>
9  </filter>
10
11  <filter-mapping>
12    <filter-name>struts2</filter-name>
13    <url-pattern>*.action</url-pattern>
14  </filter-mapping>
15
16  <!-- The Welcome File List -->
17  <welcome-file-list>
18    <welcome-file>startup.jsp</welcome-file>
19  </welcome-file-list>
20</web-app>
```



# MVC2 Pattern:struts.xml

```
1<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2<! DOCTYPE struts PUBLIC
3  "-// ApacheSoftwareFoundaJon// DTD Struts Configuration2.0//EN"
4  "http://struts.apache.org/dtds/-struts2.0.dtd">
5<struts>
6  <constant name="struts.enable.DynamicMethodInvocation"
7    value="false" />
8  <constant name="struts.devMode" value="false" />
9  <constant name="struts.custom.i18n.resources"
10    value="ApplicationResources" />
11  <package name="default" extends="-strutsdefault"
12    namespace="/">
13    <action name="login" class="Demo.LoginAction">
14      <- interceptorrefname="loggingStack"></-interceptorref>
15      <result name="success">Welcome.jsp</result>
16      <result name="error">Login.jsp</result>
17    </action>
```

## MVC2 Pattern:struts.xml

```
17      -      -      -      --
18      <action name="customer"
19              class="Demo.CustomerAction">
20              <result name="success">SuccessCustomer.jsp</result>
21              <result name="input">Customer.jsp</result>
22      </action>
23  </package>
24</struts>
```

# ApplicationResources.properties

label.username= Username  
label.password= Password  
label.login= Login  
error.login= Invalid Username/Password. Please try again.

name= Name  
age= Age  
email= Email  
telephone= Telephone  
label.add.customer=Add Customer

errors.invalid=\${getText(fieldName)} is invalid.  
errors.required=\${getText(fieldName)} is required.  
errors.number=\${getText(fieldName)} must be a number.  
errors.range=\${getText(fieldName)} is not in the range \${min} and \${max}

## Startup.jsp

```
<%@page contentType="text/html"  
    pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"  
    "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
```

```
<html>
```

```
    <head>
```

```
        <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
```

```
        <title>JSP Page</title>
```

```
    </head>
```

```
    <body>
```

```
        <h1>Hello. Please go to the <a href="Login.jsp">registration</a></h1>
```

```
    </body>
```

```
</html>
```



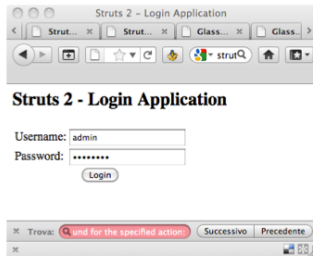
Hello. Please go to the [registration](#)



## Login.jsp

```
<%@ page contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"%>
<%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags"%>
<html>
<head>
<title>Struts 2 - Login Application </title>
</head>

<body>
<h2>Struts 2 - Login Application</h2>
<s:actionerror />
<s:form action="login" namespace="/" method="get">
  <s:textfield name="username" key="label.username" size="20" />
  <s:password name="password" key="label.password" size="20" />
  <s:submit method="execute" key="label.login" align="center" />
</s:form>
</body>
</html>
```



Data from the bundle

# MVC2 Pattern:LoginAction.java

```
1 package Demo;
2
3 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.ActionSupport;
4
5 public class LoginAction extends ActionSupport {
6     private String username;
7     private String password;
8
9     public String execute() {
10         if (this.username.equals("admin") &&
11             this.password.equals("admin123")) {
12             return "success";
13         } else {
14             addActionError(getText("error.login"));
15             return "error";
16         }
17     }
18
19     public String getUsername() {
20         return username;
21     }
22 }
```



## MVC2 Pattern:LoginAction.java

```
21
22     public void setUsername(String username) {
23         this.username = username;
24     }
25
26     public String getPassword() {
27         return password;
28     }
29
30     public void setPassword(String password) {
31         this.password = password;
32     }
33 }
```

## Welcome.jsp

```
<%@ page contentType="text/html;
charset=UTF-8"%>
<%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags"%>
<html>
<head>
<title>Welcome</title>
</head>

<body>
  <h2>Howdy, <s:property value="username" />...!
</h2>
  <s:a href="Customer.jsp">Add Customer</s:a>
</body>
</html>
```



**Howdy, admin...!**

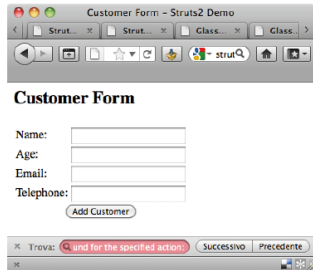
[Add Customer](#)

## Customer.jsp

```
<%@ page contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"%>
<%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags"%>
<html>
<head>
<title>Customer Form - Struts2 Demo </title>
</head>

<body>
<h2>Customer Form</h2>
```

```
<s:form action="customer" namespace="/" method="post" validate="false">
  <s:textfield name="name" key="name" size="20" />
  <s:textfield name="age" key="age" size="20" />
  <s:textfield name="email" key="email" size="20" />
  <s:textfield name="telephone" key="telephone" size="20" />
  <s:submit method="addCustomer" key="label.add.customer" align="center" />
</s:form>
</body>
</html>
```



## MVC2 Pattern:CustomerAction.java

```
1 package Demo;
2
3 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.ActionSupport;
4
5 public class CustomerAction extends ActionSupport {
6     private String name;
7     private Integer age;
8     private String email;
9     private String telephone;
10
11     public String addCustomer() {
12         return SUCCESS;
13     }
14
15     public String getName() {
16         return name;
17     }
```

## MVC2 Pattern:CustomerAction.java

```
18
19 public void setName(String name) {
20     this.name = name;
21 }
22
23 public Integer getAge() {
24     return age;
25 }
26
27 public void setAge(Integer age) {this.age = age;
28
29     public String getEmail() {
30         return email;
31     }
32
33     public void setEmail(String email) {
34         this.email = email;
```

## MVC2 Pattern:CustomerAction.java

```
35     }
36
37     public String getTelephone() {
38         return telephone;
39     }
40
41     public void setTelephone(String telephone) {
42         this.telephone = telephone;
43     }
44 }
45 }
```

## MVC2 Pattern:MyLoggingInterceptor.java

```
1 package Demo.Interceptors;
2
3 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.ActionInvocation;
4 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.interceptor.Interceptor;
5
6 public class MyLoggingInterceptor implements Interceptor {
7     private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
8
9     public String intercept(ActionInvocation invocation) throws
        Exception {
10         String className =
            invocation.getAction().getClass().getName();
11         long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
12         System.out.println("Before calling action: " + className);
13         String result = invocation.invoke();
14         long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
15         System.out.println("After calling action: " + className
16                             + " Time taken: " + (endTime - startTime)
17                             + " ms");
18         return result;
19     }
20 }
```

## MVC2 Pattern:MyLoggingInterceptor.java

```
19
20 public void destroy() {
21     System.out.println("Destroying MyLoggingInterceptor...");
22 }
23
24 public void init() {
25     System.out.println("Initializing MyLoggingInterceptor...");
26 }
27 }
```