

Observer Pattern with Green Robot's Event Bus



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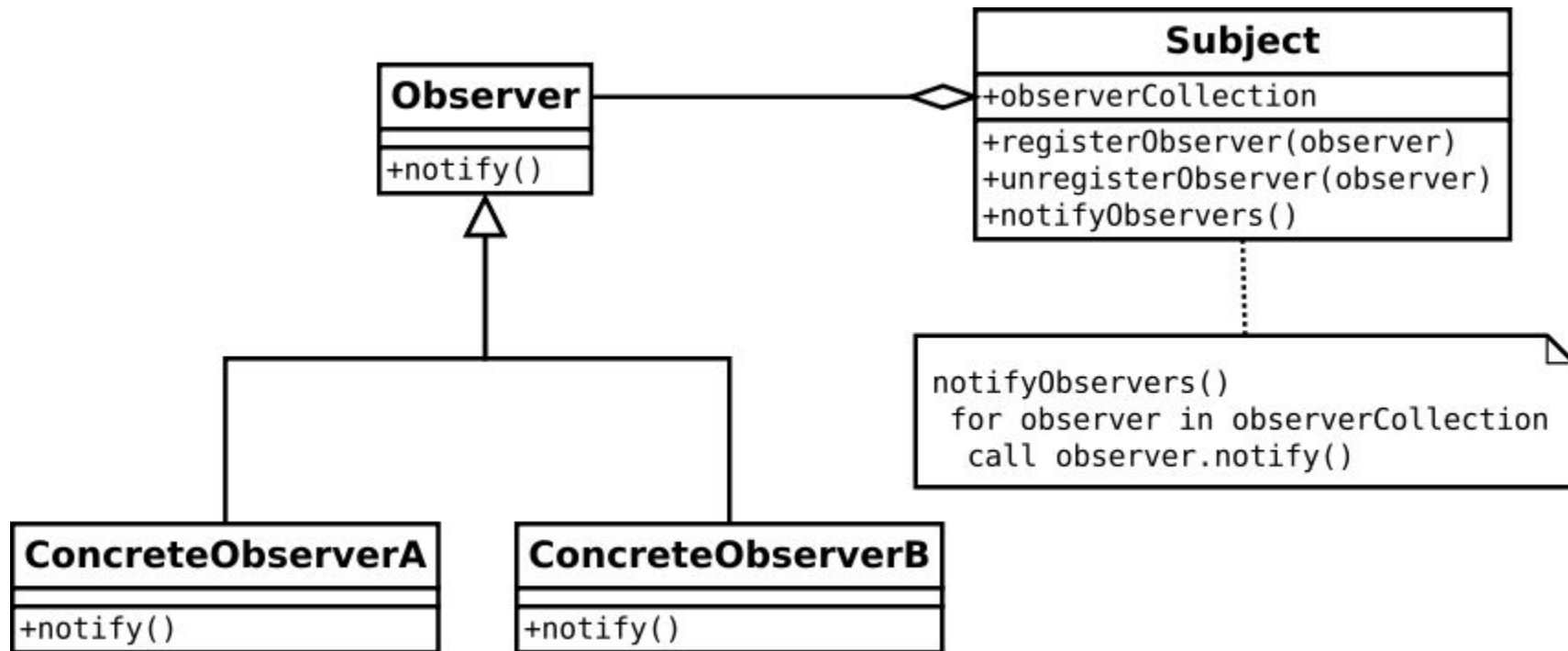
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The Observer Pattern

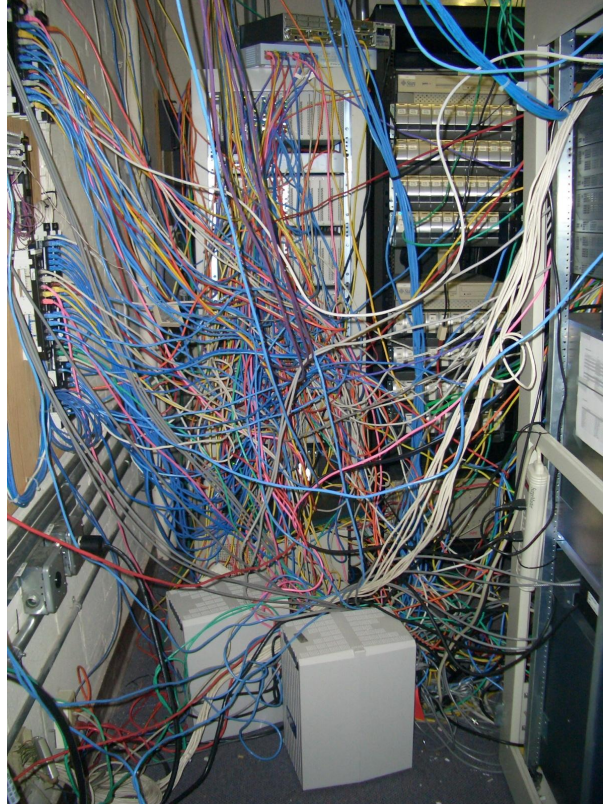
The **observer pattern** is a software design pattern in which an object, called the subject, maintains a list of its dependents, called observers, and notifies them automatically of any state changes, usually by calling one of their methods.

Observer Pattern



Low coupling, high cohesion

An example of high coupling.



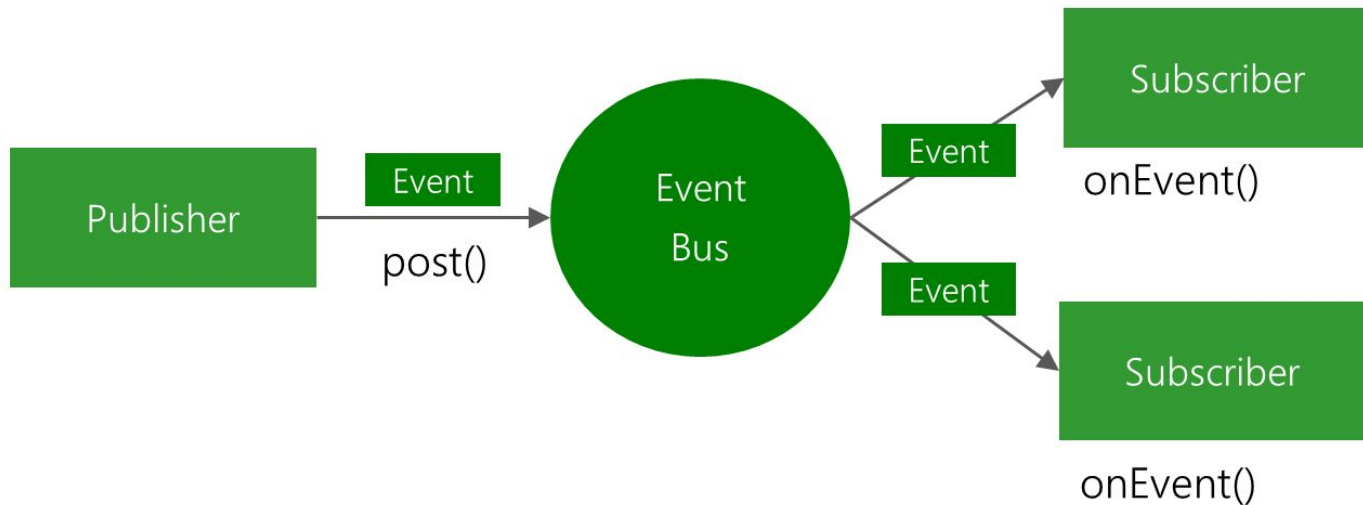
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High cohesion refers to the degree to which functionality belongs to a class.

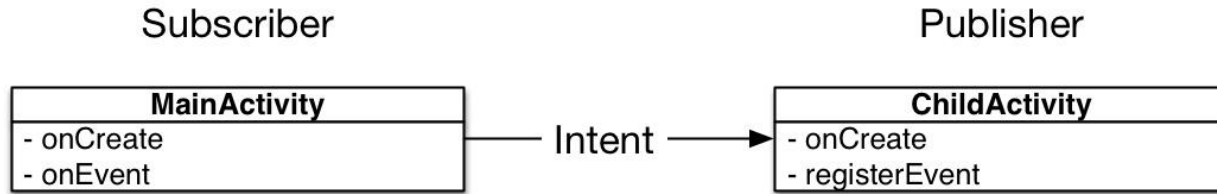
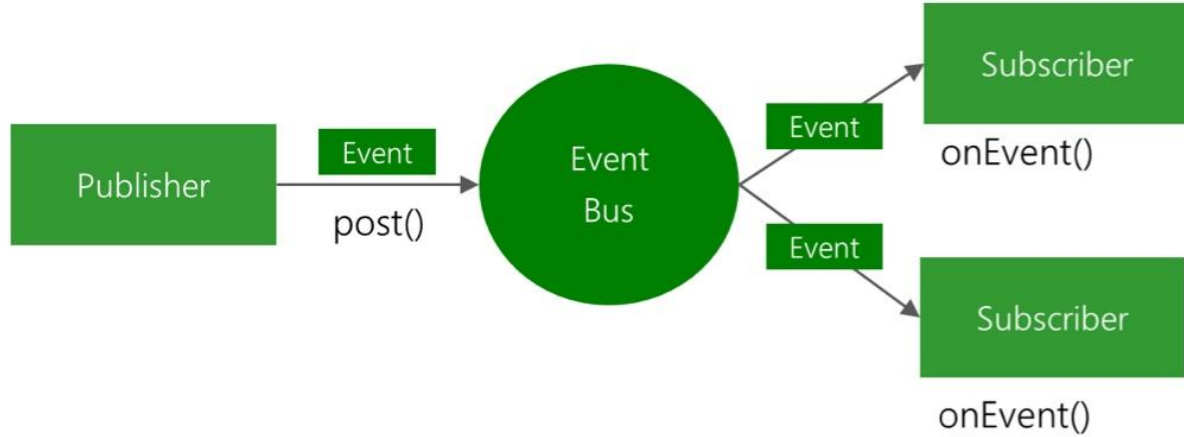
Event Bus

Event Bus architecture

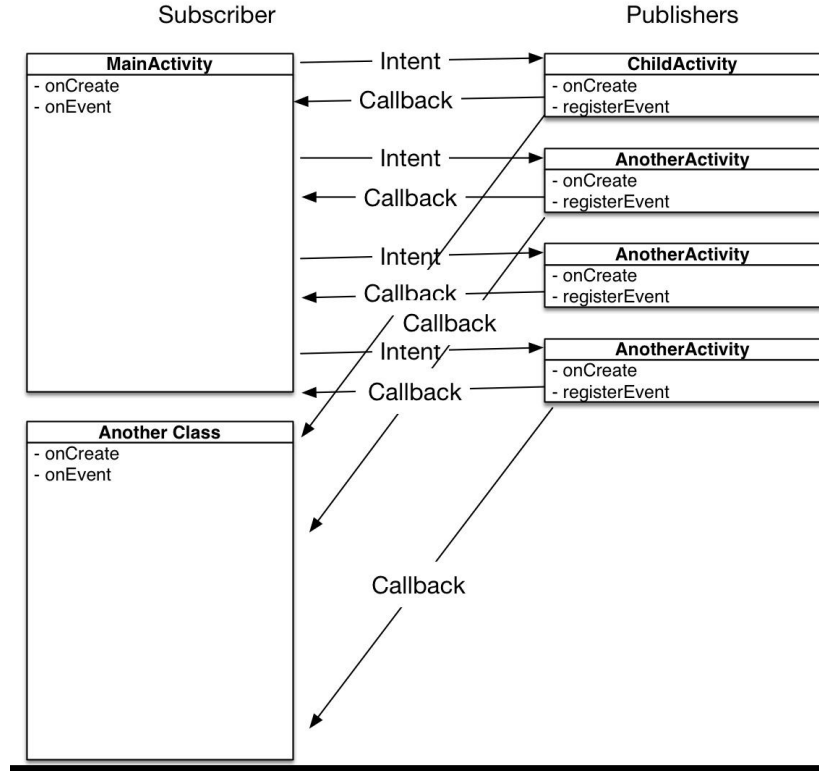
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Our example application



How coupling can quickly get out of hand



1. Add the following to your Gradle file

implementation

'org.greenrobot:eventbus:3.1.1'

2. Define your message class

```
class CustomEvent {  
    var payloadData:String? = null  
}
```

3. Register a class to listen to events

```
EventBus.getDefault().register(this)
```

4. Subscribe to those events

```
public override fun onStart() {  
    super.onStart()  
    EventBus.getDefault().register(this)  
}
```

5. Post those events

```
val newEvent:CustomEvent =  
CustomEvent("ElectronicArmory.com")  
  
EventBus.getDefault().post(newEvent)
```

6. Unregister (in onStop)

```
public override fun onStop() {  
    super.onStop()  
    EventBus.getDefault().unregister(this)  
}
```