

The Observer Design Pattern

Problem:

The objective of this exercise is to implement the Observer design pattern.

Observer pattern steps:

1. Create an interface called **AlarmListener**. This is the observer interface. In **AlarmListener**, there is a void **alarm()** method defined.

```
public interface AlarmListener {  
    void alarm();  
}
```

2. Create a class called **SensorSystem**. This is the publisher class. Define one instance variable `ArrayList< AlarmListener > listeners = new ArrayList();` This ArrayList saves all the observers of this publisher.
3. In **SensorSystem**, define a method void **register**(AlarmListener alarmListener). What it does is to add alarmListener to the ArrayList listeners.
4. In **SensorSystem**, define another method void **soundTheAlarm**(). What it does is to use a for loop to loop through all the listeners/observers in the ArrayList listeners, and call their alarm() method.

```
import java.util.ArrayList;  
  
public class SensorSystem {  
    ArrayList<AlarmListener> listeners = new ArrayList<>();  
  
    public void register(AlarmListener alarmListener) {  
        listeners.add(alarmListener);  
    }  
  
    public void soundTheAlarm() {  
        for (AlarmListener listener : listeners) {  
            listener.alarm();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

5. Different three concrete observer classes: **Lighting**, **Gates**, and **Surveillance**. Make them implement the interface **AlarmListener**. Implement the **alarm()** method in all three classes. In **Lighting**, **alarm()** prints out "lights up". In **Gates**, **alarm()** prints out "gates close". In **Surveillance**, **alarm()** prints out "Surveillance – by the numbers:".

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```
public class Lighting implements AlarmListener {
    @Override
    public void alarm() {
        System.out.println(x:"lights up");
    }
}
```

```
public class Surveillance implements AlarmListener {
    @Override
    public void alarm() {
        System.out.println(x:"Surveillance - by the numbers:");
    }
}
```

```
public class Gates implements AlarmListener {
    @Override
    public void alarm() {
        System.out.println(x:"gates close");
    }
}
```

6. Use the following client code to try it.

```
public class ObserverDemo {
    public static void main( String[] args ) {
        SensorSystem sensorSystem = new SensorSystem();
        sensorSystem.register(new Gates());
        sensorSystem.register(new Lighting());
        sensorSystem.register(new Surveillance());
        sensorSystem.soundTheAlarm();
    }
}
```

```
(base) romericodavid@Romericos-Air exercise-09 % c
/bin/env /Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/temurin-
icodavid/Library/Application\ Support/Code/User/work
/bin ObserverDemo
gates close
lights up
Surveillance - by the numbers:
(base) romericodavid@Romericos-Air exercise-09 %
```

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Upload your code to the Blackboard when you are done.