

Command

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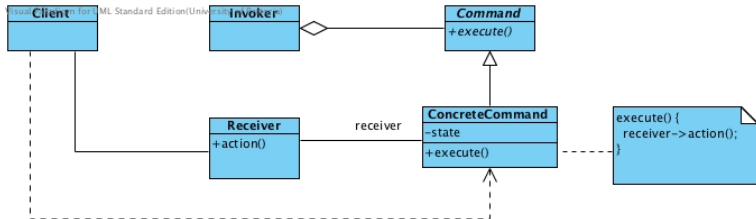
Name and Classification:

Command (Object Behavioural)

Intent:

“Encapsulate a request as an object, thereby letting you parameterise clients with different requests, queue or log requests, and support undoable operations.” GoF(263)

Example - Ceiling fan



Command

- declares an interface for executing an operation.

ConcreteCommand

- defines a binding between a Receiver object and an action.
- implements `execute()` by invoking the corresponding operation(s) on Receiver.

Client (Application)

Invoker

- asks the command to carry out the request.

Receiver

- knows how to perform the operations associated with carrying out a request.
Any class may serve as a Receiver.

- **Chain of Responsibility** (GoF 251) can use Command to represent requests as objects.
- **Composite** (GoF 183), can be used to implement MacroCommands.
- **Memento** (GoF 316), can keep the state of the command required to undo its effect.
- A command that must be copied before being placed on the history list acts as a **Prototype** (GoF 133).

What do we have?



```
Light* testLight = new Light( );
Fan* testFan = new Fan();
testLight -> turnOn();
testLight -> turnOff();
testFan -> startRotate();
testFan -> stopRotate();
```

We would like to use an instruction to...

- ... turn the light on or start the fan rotating
- ... turn the light off or stop the fan from rotating

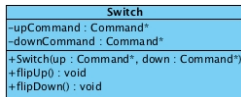
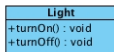
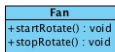
Assume these instructions are `flipup` and `flipdown` respectively and are members of the `Switch` class.

We have 3 classes – not related:

- Fan – the class which controls the fan operations
- Light – the class controlling the light operations
- Switch – the class that will make the fan or light do their thing ;-)

We have the *Invoker* participant (Switch) and two *Receiver* participants (Fan and Light).

Visual Paradigm Standard (lindamarshall@University of Pretoria)



```
class Fan {  
public:  
    void startRotate() { cout << "Fan is rotating" << endl;}  
    void stopRotate() { cout << "Fan is not rotating" << endl;}  
};  
  
class Light {  
public:  
    void turnOn( ) { cout << "Light is on " << endl; }  
    void turnOff( ) { cout << "Light is off" << endl; }  
};
```

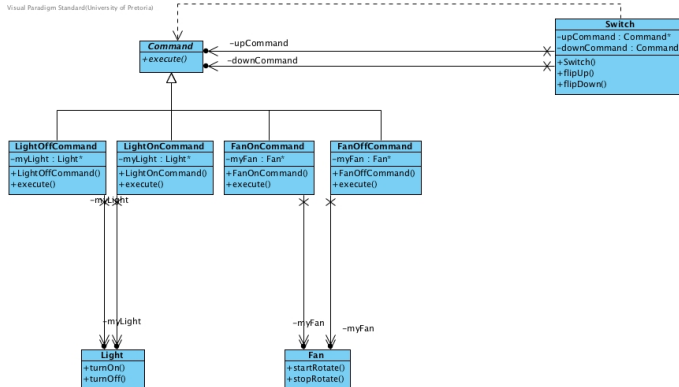
```
class Switch {
public:
    Switch(Command* up, Command* down) {
        upCommand = up;
        downCommand = down;
    }

    void flipUp() { upCommand->execute( ); };
    void flipDown() { downCommand->execute( ); };

private:
    Command* upCommand;
    Command* downCommand;
};
```

Now, draw the Command hierarchy and link it into what you already have ...

Visual Paradigm Standard (University of Pretoria)



```
class Command {
public:
    virtual void execute () = 0;
};

class LightOnCommand : public Command {
public:
    LightOnCommand (Light* L) { myLight = L;}
    void execute() { myLight->turnOn(); }
private:
    Light* myLight;
};

class LightOffCommand : public Command {
public:
    LightOffCommand (Light* L) { myLight = L;}
    void execute() { myLight->turnOff(); }
private:
    Light* myLight;
};
```

```
class FanOnCommand : public Command {
public:
    FanOnCommand (Fan* f) { myFan = f;}
    void execute() { myFan->startRotate();}
private:
    Fan* myFan;
};

class FanOffCommand : public Command {
public:
    FanOffCommand (Fan* f) { myFan = f;}
    void execute() {myFan->stopRotate();}
private:
    Fan* myFan;
};
```

```
Light* testLight = new Light( );  
Fan* testFan = new Fan();
```

```
LightOnCommand* testLiOnCmnd = new LightOnCommand(testLight);  
LightOffCommand* testLiOffCmnd = new LightOffCommand(testLight);  
FanOnCommand* testFaOnCmnd = new FanOnCommand(testFan);  
FanOffCommand* testFaOffCmnd = new FanOffCommand(testFan);
```

```
Switch* lightSwitch = new Switch(testLiOnCmnd, testLiOffCmnd);  
Switch* fanSwitch = new Switch(testFaOnCmnd, testFaOffCmnd);
```

```
lightSwitch -> flipUp();  
lightSwitch -> flipDown();  
fanSwitch -> flipUp();  
fanSwitch -> flipDown();
```


The code as written requires two switches. A switch to operate the light and a switch to operate the fan. Modify the `Switch` class so that it will turn on the light and the fan when flipped up and turn off the light and fan when flipped down.