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# The Dark Side of Design Patterns: What They Don't Tell You





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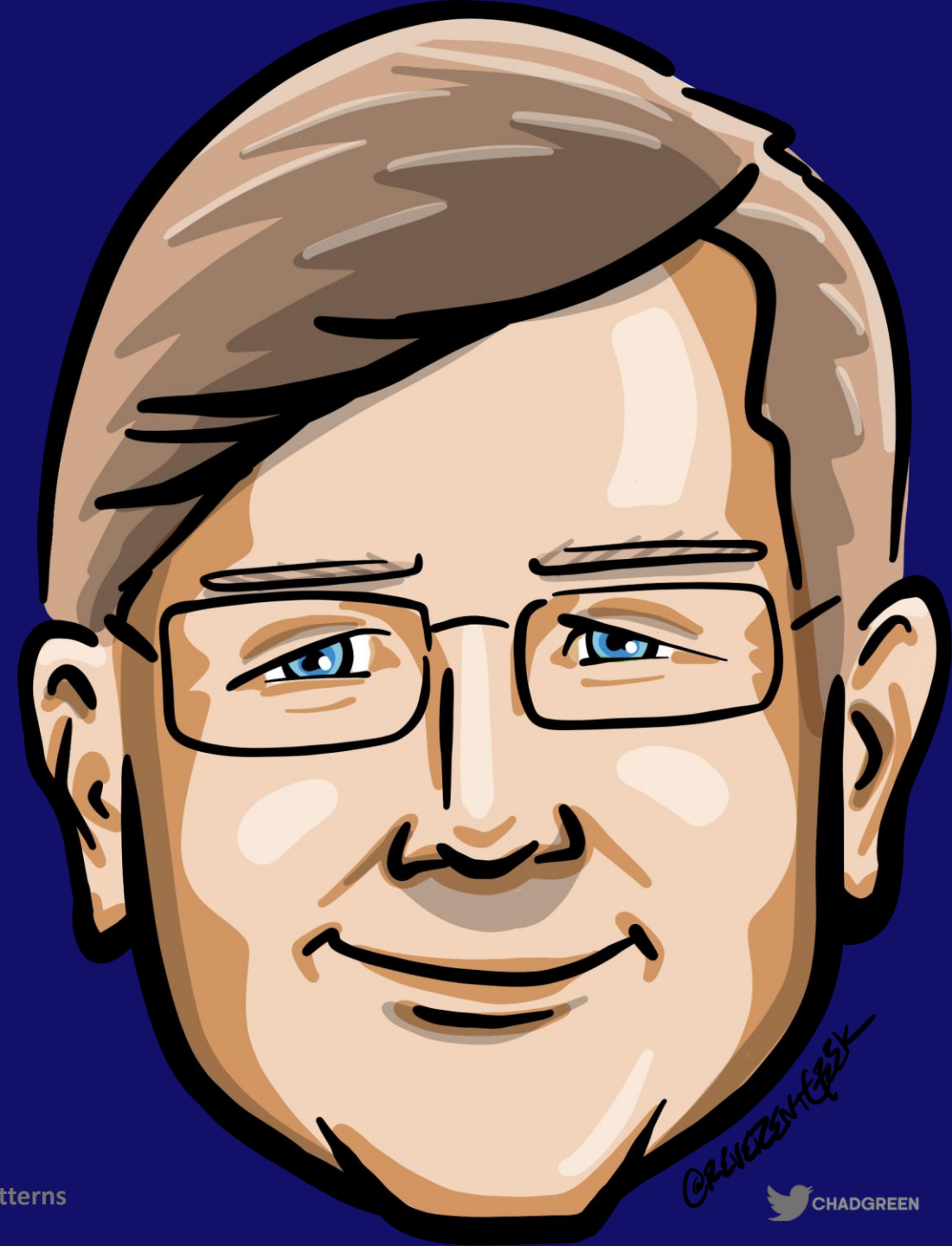
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# The Power of Design Patterns

Reevaluating Software Design Patterns

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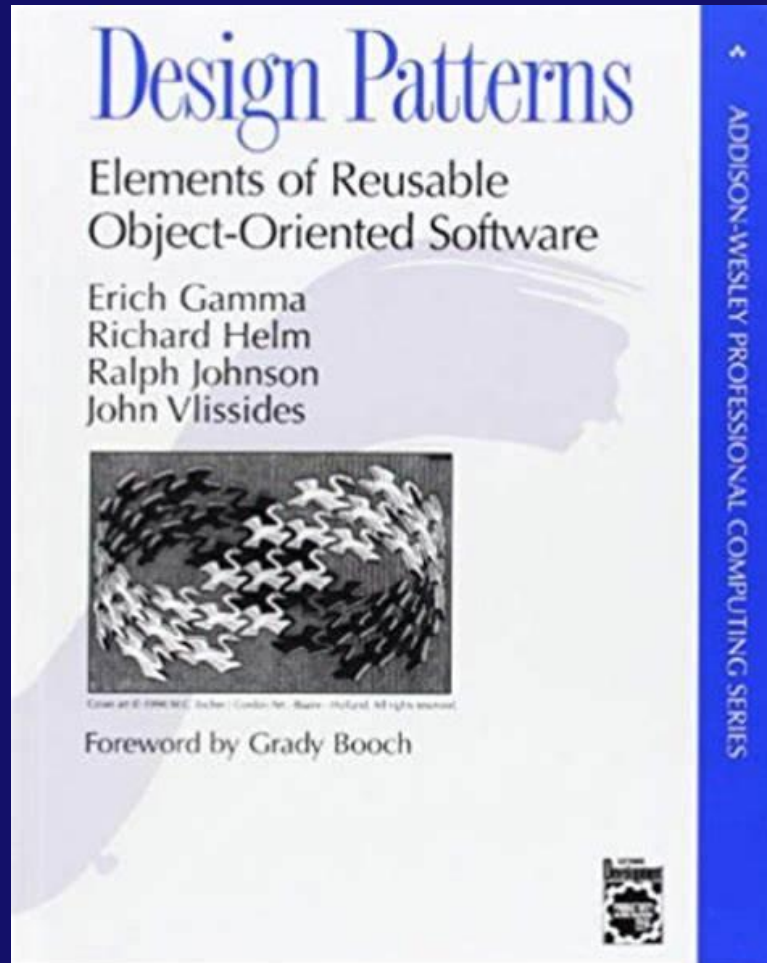
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# Gang of Four



# Main Types of Design Patterns

## Creation

- Interpreter
- Template Method
- Chain of Responsibility
- Command
- Iterator
- Mediator
- Memento
- Observer
- State
- Strategy
- Visitor

# Main Types of Design Patterns

## Creation

- Factory Method
- Abstract Factory
- Builder

## Structural

- Prototype
- Singleton

# Main Types of Design Patterns

## Creation

- Adapter
- Bridge
- Composite
- Decorator

## Structural

- Façade
- Flyweight
- Proxy

## Behavioral



# Main Types of Design Patterns

Creation

Structural

Behavioral

Architectural

- Model-View-Controller (MVC)
- Layered Architecture
- Microservices
- Event-Driven Architecture
- Service-Oriented Architecture

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# Not talking about anti-patterns

- God Object
- Spaghetti Code
- Copy-Paste Programming
- Magic Numbers
- Hard Coding
- Lava Flow
- Circular Dependency
- Premature Optimization

# The Problematic Patterns

- Singleton
- Observer
- Factory

# Singleton Pattern

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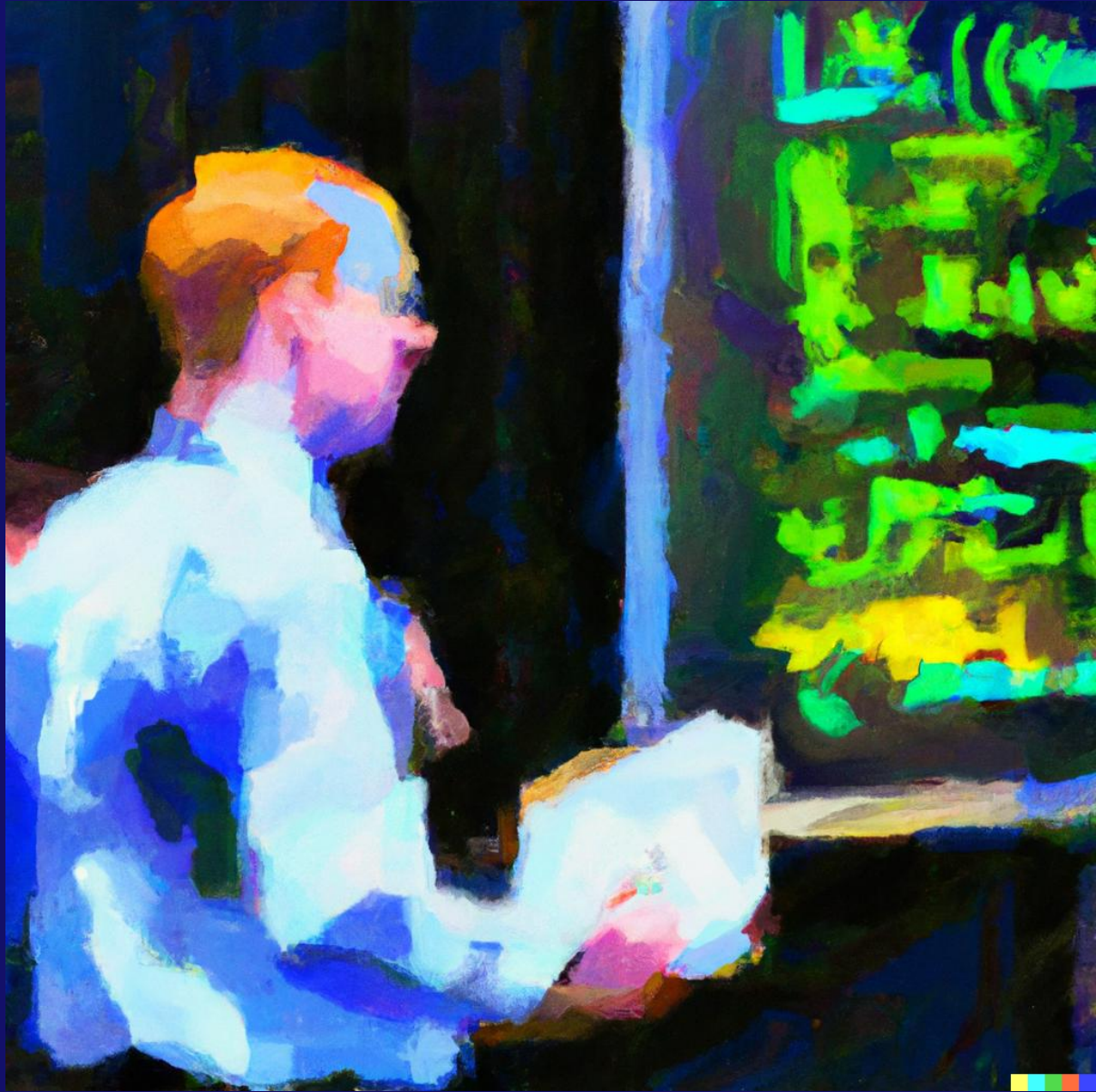
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# Demo: Singleton Pattern

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public class Logger
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    // Additional properties or methods can be added here

    // Private constructor to prevent instantiation
    private Logger() { }

    // Lazy initialization, create instance only if needed
    public static Logger GetInstance()
    {
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    public UserService()
    {
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    }

    public void PerformUserAction(string userName, string action)
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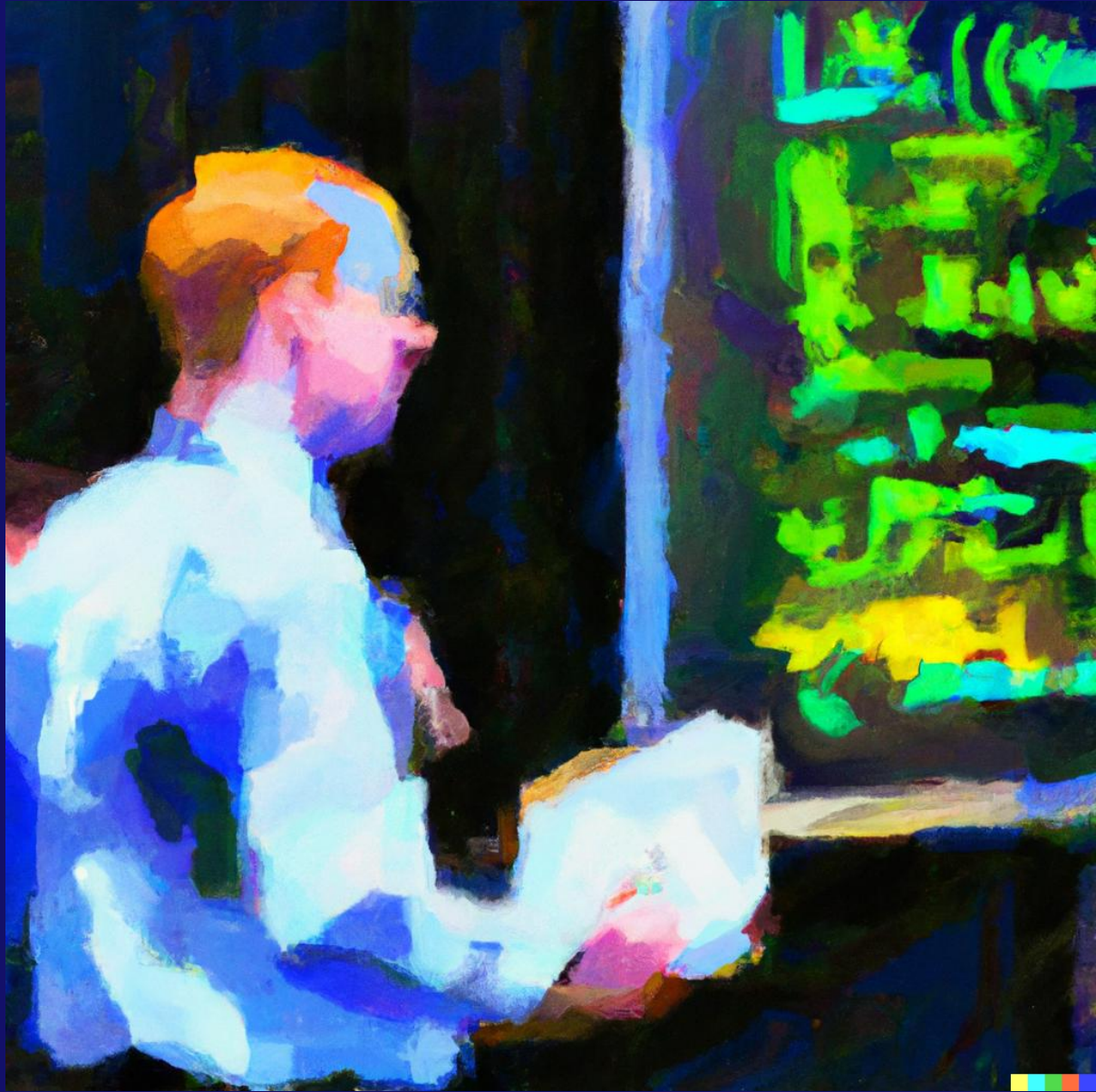
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# Demo: Observer Pattern

# Subject

```
public interface ISubject
{
    void RegisterObserver(IObserver observer);
    void RemoveObserver(IObserver observer);
    void NotifyObservers();
    string Name { get; init; }
}
```

# Observer

```
public interface IObserver
{
    void Update(double stockPrice);
    string Name { get; init; }
}
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# Concrete Subject

```
public record StockMarket(string Name) : ISubject
{
    private double _stockPrice;
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    public void SetStockPrice(double price)
    {
        _stockPrice = price;
        NotifyObservers();
    }

    public void RegisterObserver(IObserver observer)
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```
    foreach (var observer in _observers)
```

```
    {
```

```
        observer.Update(_stockPrice);
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
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```
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```

```
    public void SetStockPrice(double price)
```

```
    {
```

```
        _stockPrice = price;
```

```
        NotifyObservers();
```

```
    }
```

# Concrete Observer

```
public record Investor(string Name) : IObserver
{
    public void Update(double stockPrice)
        => Console.WriteLine($"Stock price for {Name} is {stockPrice}");
}
```

# Implementation

```
// Create a stock market
StockMarket stockMarket = new("Omni Consumer Products");

// Create investors
Investor investor1 = new("John");
Investor investor2 = new("Alice");

// Register investors with the stock market
stockMarket.RegisterObserver(investor1);
stockMarket.RegisterObserver(investor2);

// Simulate stock price changes
stockMarket.SetStockPrice(100.00);
stockMarket.SetStockPrice(115.50);

// Investor Alice loses interest and unsubscribes
stockMarket.RemoveObserver(investor2);

// More stock price changes
stockMarket.SetStockPrice(98.75);
```

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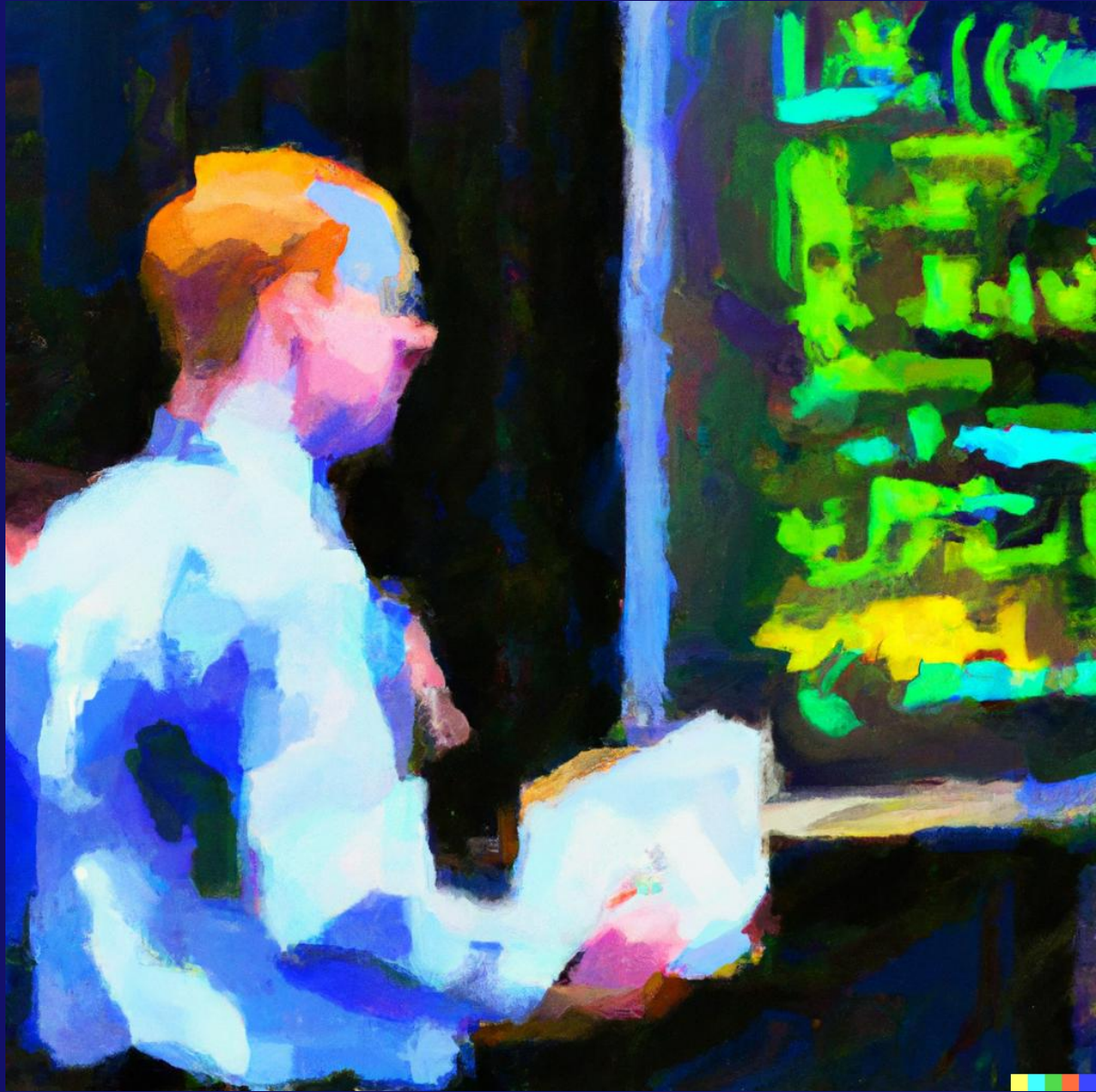
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# Demo: Observer Pattern Problems

# Unintended Cascading Updates

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{
    public void Update(double stockPrice)
    {
        Console.WriteLine($"Stock price for {Name} is {stockPrice}");

        if (stockPrice > 110.00)
        {
            Console.WriteLine($"Investor {Name} decides to sell stocks.");
        }
    }
}
```

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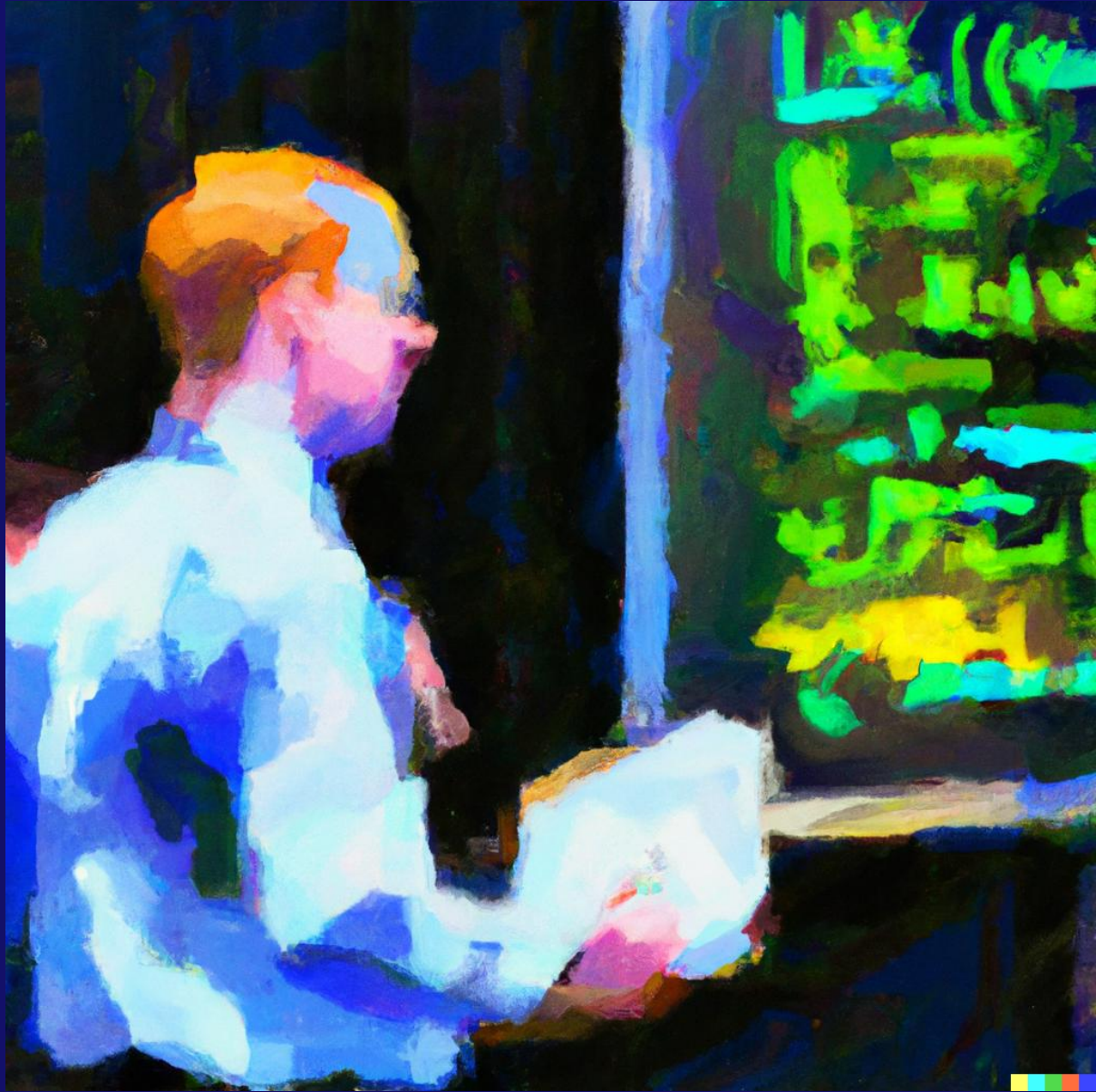
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```
public interface IFactory
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    IProduct CreateProduct();
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public class ConcreteFactory : IFactory
{
    public IProduct CreateProduct()
    {
        return new ConcreteProductA();
    }
}
```

# Client

```
IFactory factoryA = new ConcreteFactoryA();  
  
IProduct productA = factoryA.CreateProduct();  
productA.Display();  
  
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productB.Display();
```

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