

# **EECS3311 - Software Development**

## **Observer Design Pattern**

**Model View Controller**

**Event-Driven Software**

**Assessing Software Architectures**

# Weather-O-Rama Inc

## Statement of Work

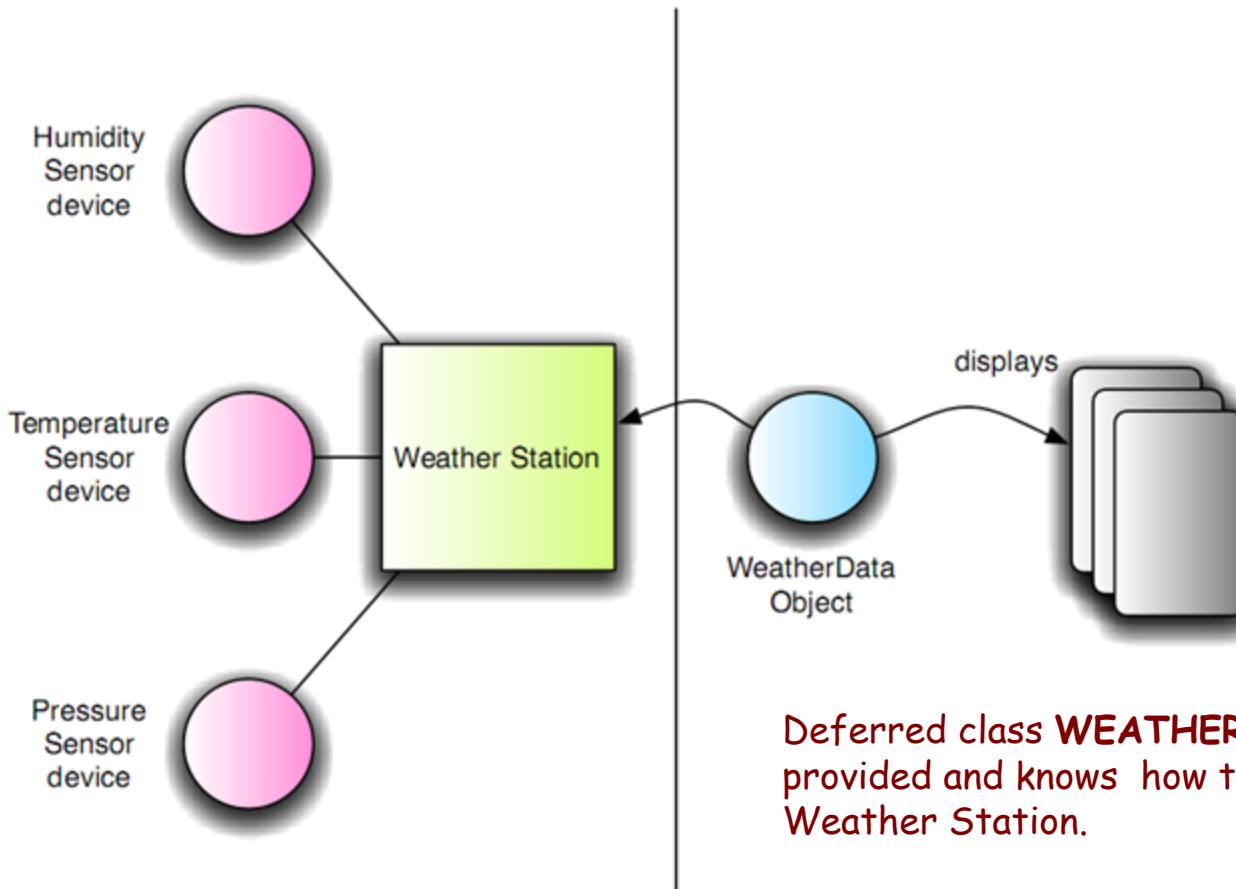
- Congratulations on being selected to build our next generation of internet based weather monitoring station.
- Details follow below.
- We look forward to seeing your design by tomorrow night!

Sincerely

John Hurricane CEO

P.S. We are overnighting the WEATHER\_DATA source files to you

# Weather-O-Rama



Hardware provided by  
Weather-O-Rama

## Current Conditions

Temp: 73F  
Humidity: 60  
Pressure: ↓

## Statistics

Avg. Temp: 62F  
Min. Temp: 50F  
Max. Temp: 78F

... other views .....

Deferred class **WEATHER\_DATA** is provided and knows how to talk to the Weather Station.

## What must we implement?

Create an app that uses **WEATHER\_DATA** to update the various displays real-time

You have been hired by Weather-O-Rama Inc. to build its next generation Weather Monitoring Station. The system so far contains a class called `WEATHER_DATA` with the following features:



The `measurements_changed` method is called automatically when any of the three measurements (temperature, humidity, pressure) is changed (we don't know or care how it is called, we just know that it is).

Your task is to

1. Fill in the code for `measurements_changed`.
2. Create an application that initially provides two display elements: current conditions and weather statistics. These displays are updated in real time as a `WEATHER_DATA` object acquires the most recent measurements.
3. Allow third party developers to create their own weather displays and plug them right in!

How would you design this system? Do not be concerned with GUI code for the displays. Textual displays are sufficient for this exercise.

# We are provided with

deferred class  
**WEATHER\_DATA**

**feature -- weather data available to observers**

temperature: REAL  
humidity: REAL  
pressure: REAL

**correct\_limits (t, p, h: REAL\_32): BOOLEAN**

**ensure**

Result implies  $-36 \leq t \leq 60$  -- oC

Result implies  $50 \leq p \leq 110$  -- KPa

Result implies  $0.8 \leq h \leq 100$  -- %RH

**measurements\_changed -- called from weather station after a set\_measurement**

**set\_measurements (t, p, h: REAL\_32)**

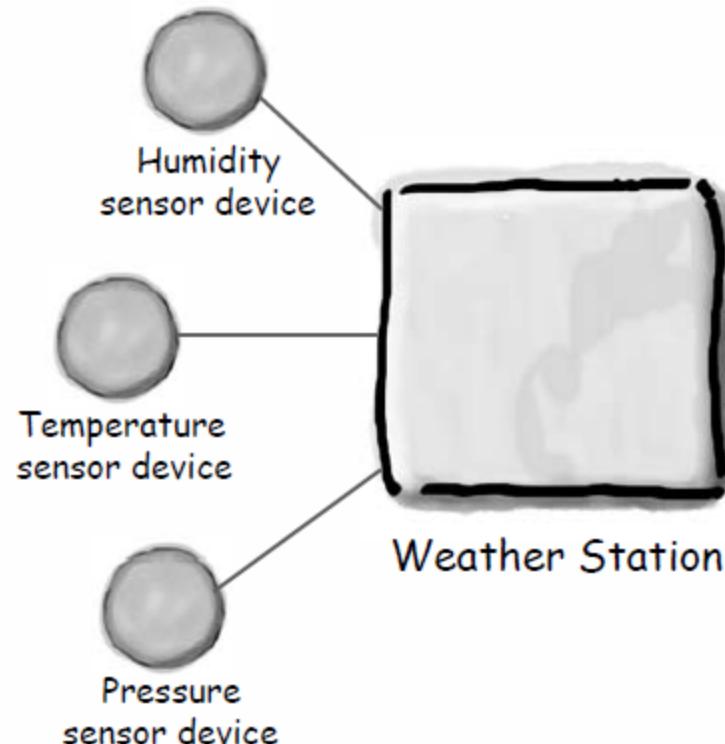
-- called from weather station

**require correct\_limits (t, p, h)**

**invariant**

**correct\_limits (temperature, pressure, humidity)**

**end**



Must complete this code

- We are provided with class WEATHER\_DATA
- But this class is closed for business

```
deferred class
  WEATHER_DATA
```

```
feature -- weather data available to observers
  temperature: REAL
  humidity: REAL
  pressure: REAL
```

```
correct_limits (t, p, h: REAL_32): BOOLEAN
  ensure
    Result implies -36 <= t and t <= 60 -- oC
    Result implies 50 <= p and p <= 110 -- KPa
    Result implies 0.8 <= h and h <= 100 -- %RH
```

```
measurements_changed -- called from weather station after a set_measurement
```

```
set_measurements (t, p, h: REAL_32)
  -- called from weather station
  require correct_limits (t, p, h)
```

```
invariant
```

```
  correct_limits (temperature, pressure, humidity)
```

```
end
```

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Must  
complete  
this code

# First Design

```
class WEATHER_DATA_IMP inherit  
WEATHER_DATA
```

feature

current\_conditions: CURRENT\_CONDITIONS

statistics: STATISTICS

forecast: FORECAST

...

measurements\_changed

do

    current\_conditions.update(temp, humidity, pressure)

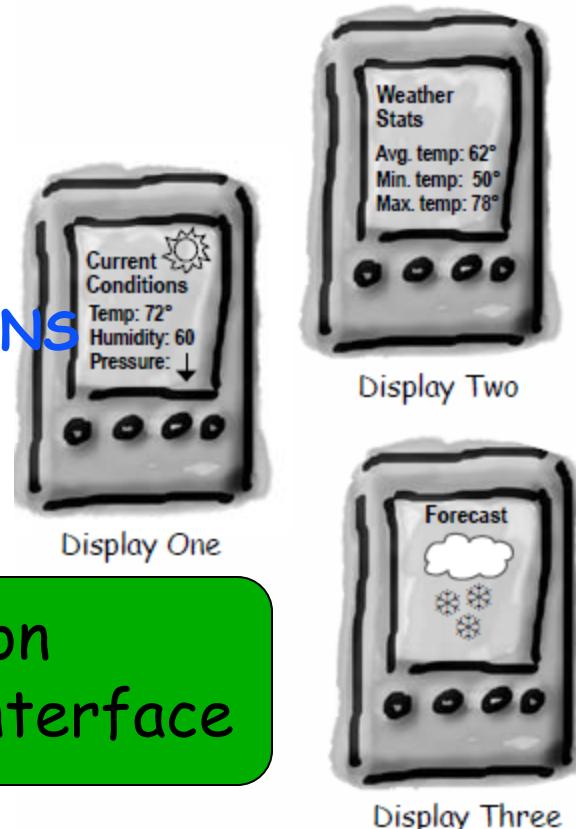
    weather\_stats.update(temp, humidity, pressure)

    forecast.update(temp, humidity, pressure)

end

end

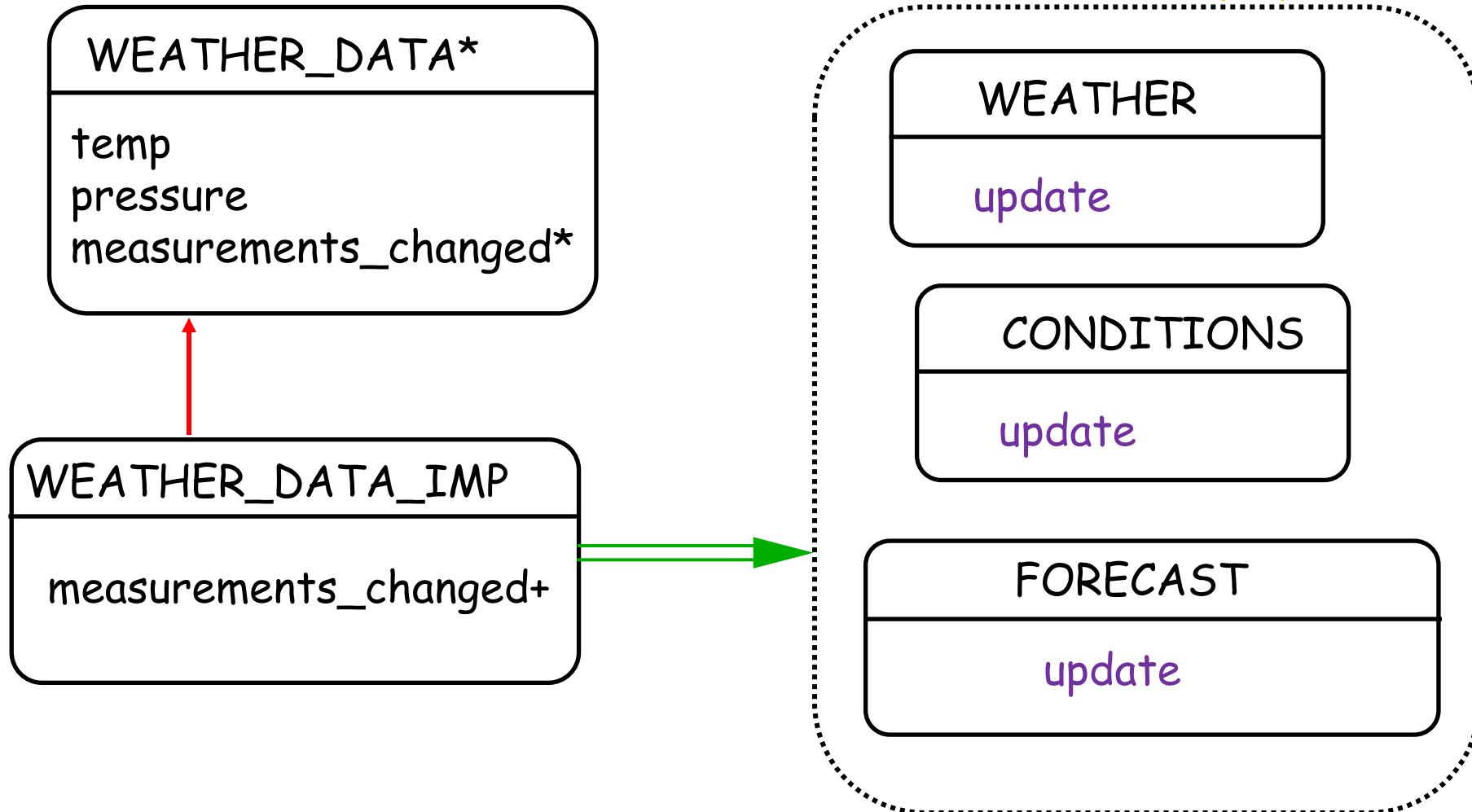
Use Inheritance  
Open Closed Principle



Problems?

"non  
update" interface

# First Design



```

class WEATHER_DATA_IMP inherit
  WEATHER_DATA
feature ...
  measurements_changed
  do
    current_conditions.update(temp, humidity, pressure)
    weather_stats.update(temp, humidity, pressure)
    forecast.update(temp, humidity, pressure)
  end
end

```

Part that changes



## Sharpen your pencil —

Based on our first implementation, which of the following apply?  
(Choose all that apply.)

- A. We are coding to concrete implementations, not interfaces.
- B. For every new display element we need to alter code.
- C. We have no way to add (or remove) display elements at run time.
- D. The display elements don't implement a common interface.
- E. We haven't encapsulated the part that changes.
- F. We are violating encapsulation of the WeatherData class.

# Problems?

## First Design

```
class WEATHER_DATA_IMP inherit  
WEATHER_DATA
```

```
feature
```

```
current_conditions: CURRENT_CONDITIONS
```

```
statistics: STATISTICS
```

```
forecast: FORECAST
```

```
...
```

```
measurements_changed
```

```
do
```

```
    current_conditions.update(temp, humidity, pressure)
```

```
    weather_stats.update(temp, humidity, pressure)
```

```
    forecast.update(temp, humidity, pressure)
```

```
end
```

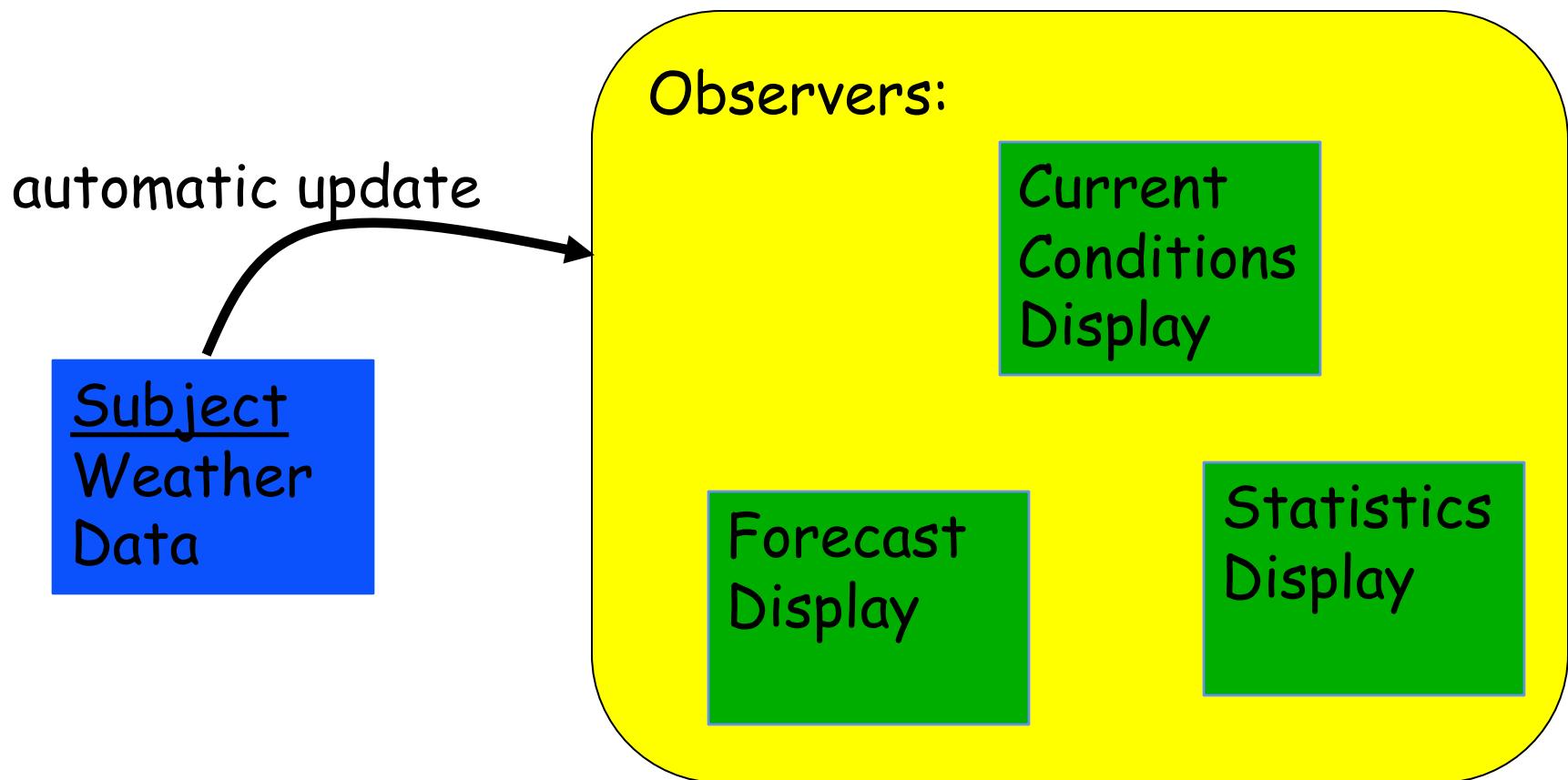
```
end
```



Part that changes

- Is **update** coded to concrete implementation, or to interfaces?
- Do we need to add code to the class for each new display?
- Can we add/remove new displays from a client at runtime?
- Have we encapsulated that which changes?

# Observer: ONE → MANY relationship



**The Observer Pattern** defines a one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all of its dependents are notified and updated automatically.

# Observer Pattern

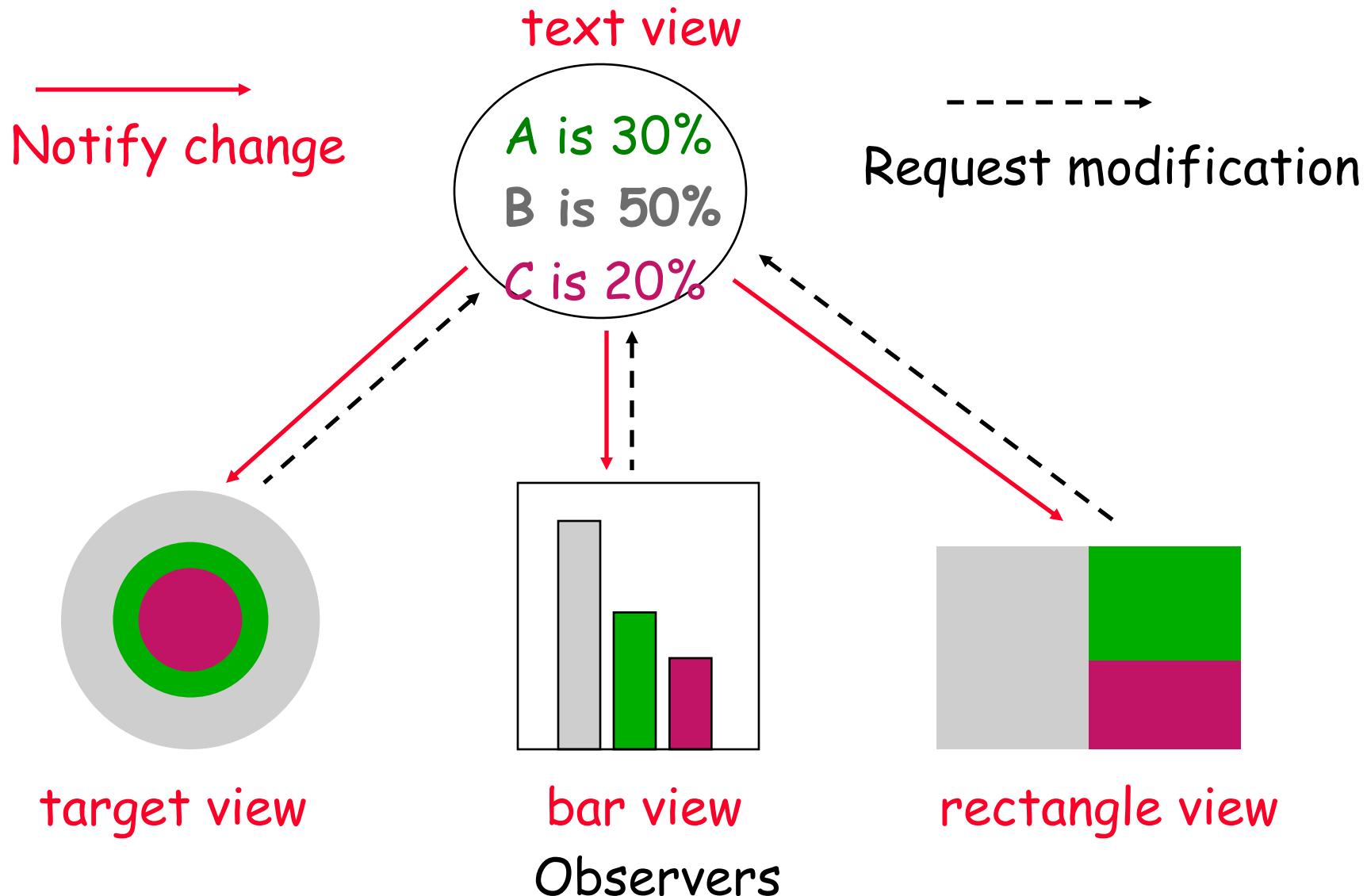
## ➤ Intent

- ◆ Define one-to-many dependency
  - When one subject changes state, all observers are notified and correspondingly updated

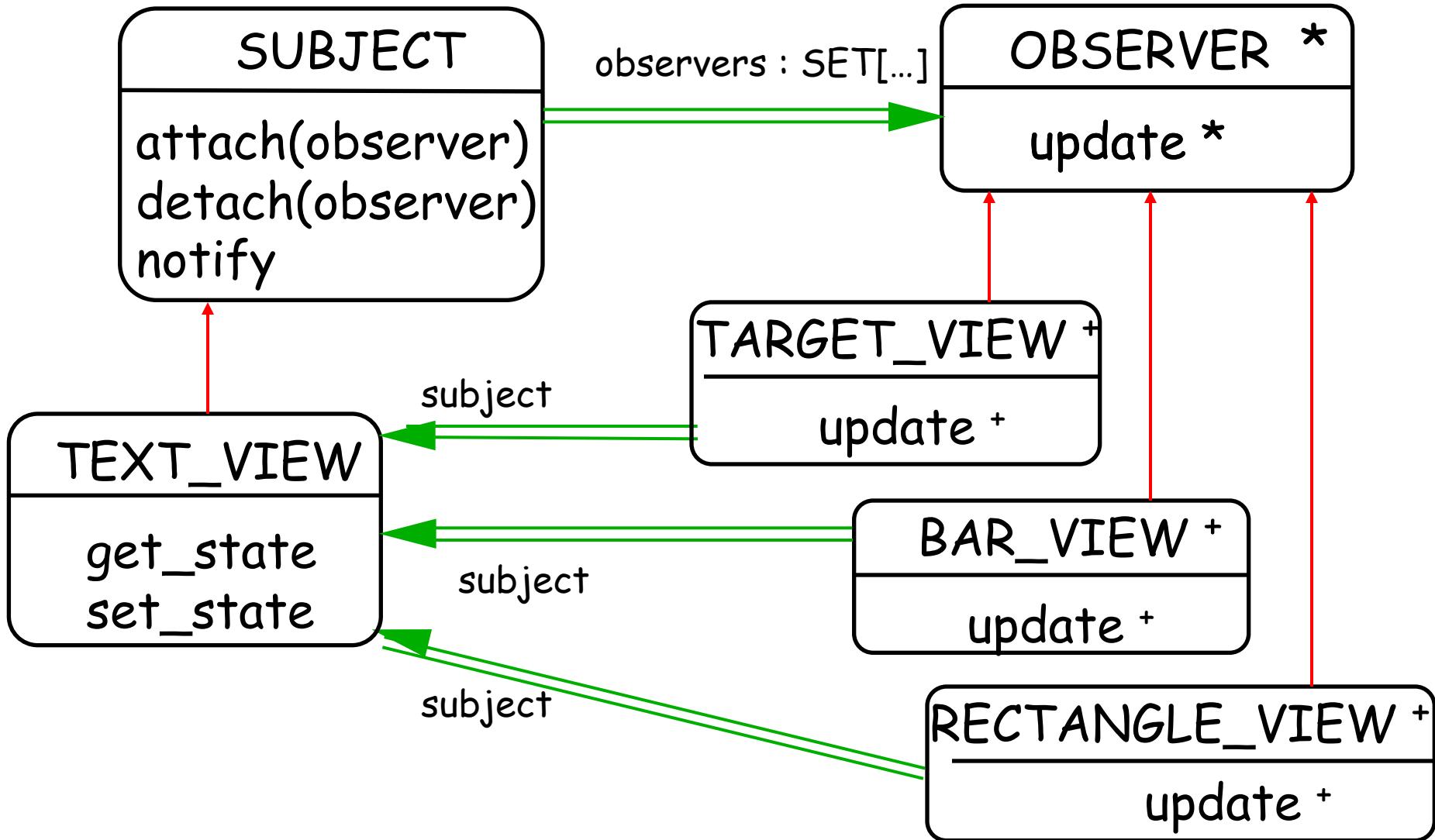
## ➤ Also known as

- ◆ Publish-Subscribe

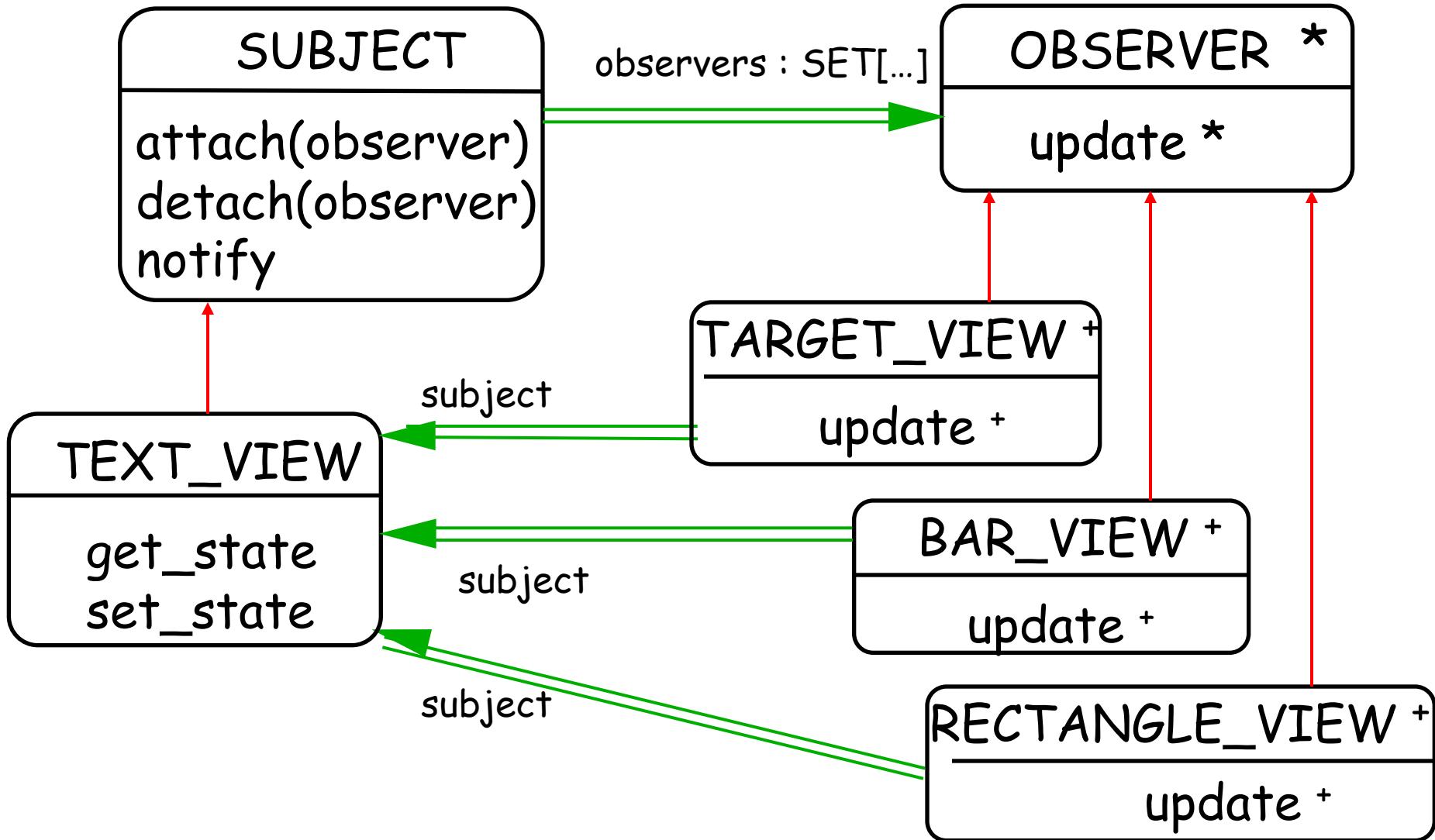
# Observer - Motivation



# Observer Architecture - Example

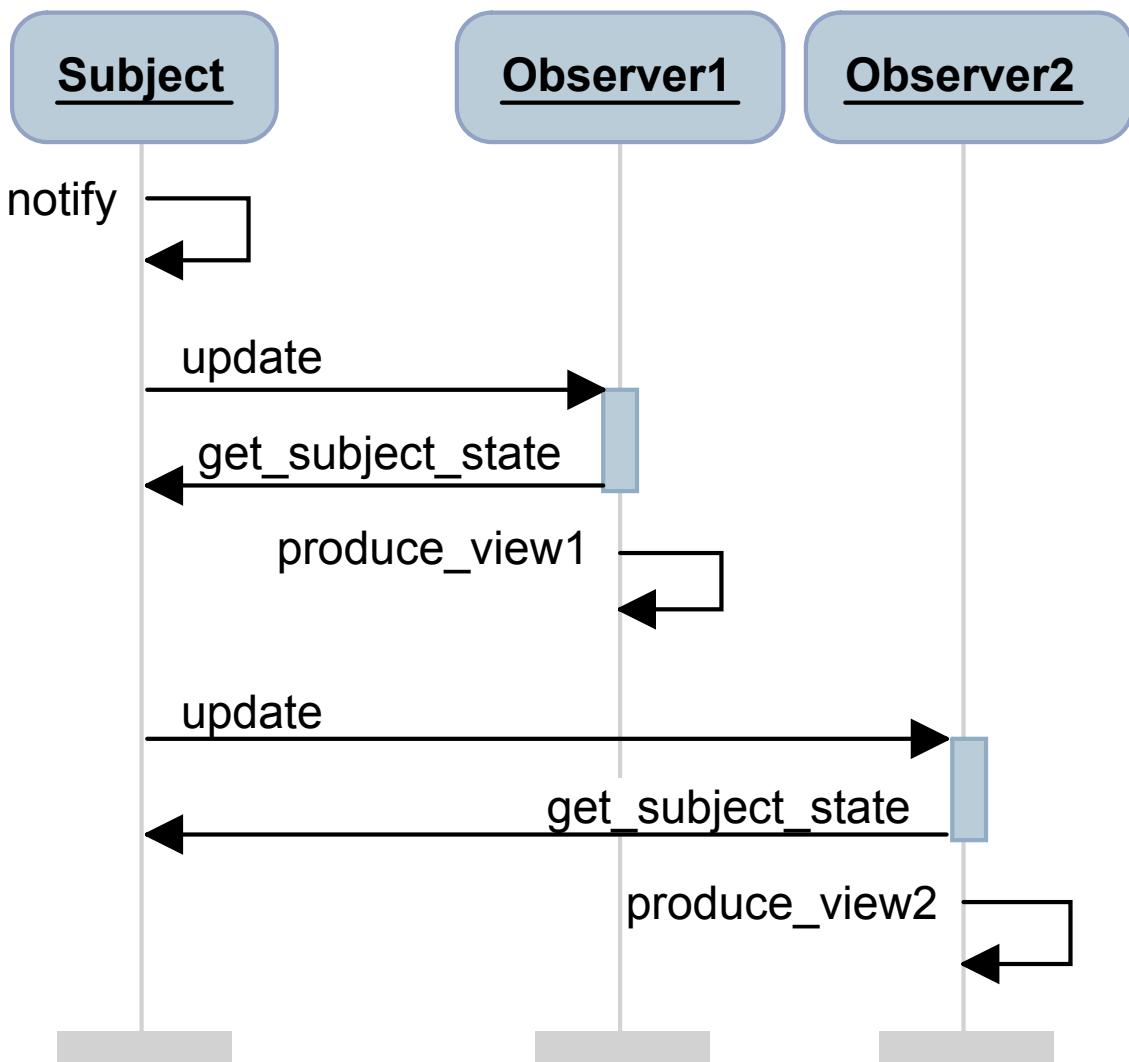


# Observer Architecture - Example



# Observer

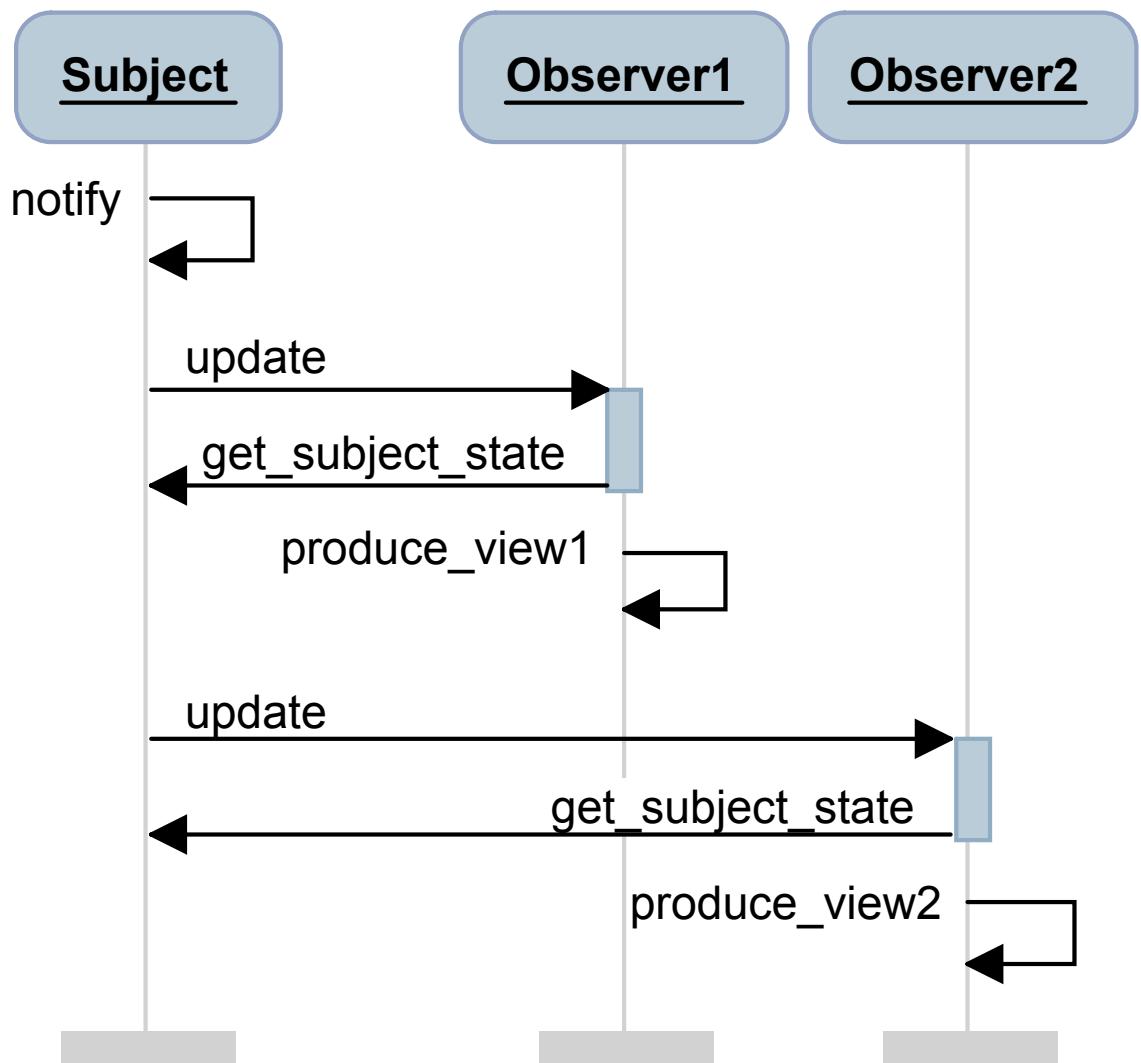
UML Sequence Diagram  
Dynamic (runtime  
objects, not classes)  
• as opposed to  
a Class Diagram which is  
static (compile time)



# Observer

## Sequence Diagram

- Use these dynamic diagrams in your design document



UML: <https://www.websequencediagrams.com>

deferred class

**OBSERVER**

**feature** -- to be effected by a descendant

*update*

-- update the observer's view of the subject

deferred

ensure

*up\_to\_date\_with\_subject*

end

*up\_to\_date\_with\_subject*: BOOLEAN

-- is this observer up to date with its subject

deferred

end

end

**OBSERVER \***

update \*

How can we ensure that the update worked?

## SUBJECT

class SUBJECT create

make

feature {OBSERVER}

*attach* (o: OBSERVER)

require

o /= Void and not observers.has(o)

ensure

observers.has(o)

*detach* (o: OBSERVER) ...

*notify* ...

feature {NONE}

*observers*: LIST [OBSERVER]

-- list of observers attached to this subject

end

class SUBJECT feature ...

observers: LIST [OBSERVER] ...

attach (o: OBSERVER) ...

detach (o: OBSERVER) ...

SUBJECT

attach(observer)  
detach(observer)  
notify

notify

-- Send an `update' message to each observer o

do

from observers.start

until observers.after

loop observers.item.update; observers.forth

end

ensure

across observers as it all

it.item.up\_to\_date\_with\_subject

invariant

observers\_not\_void: observers /= Void

end

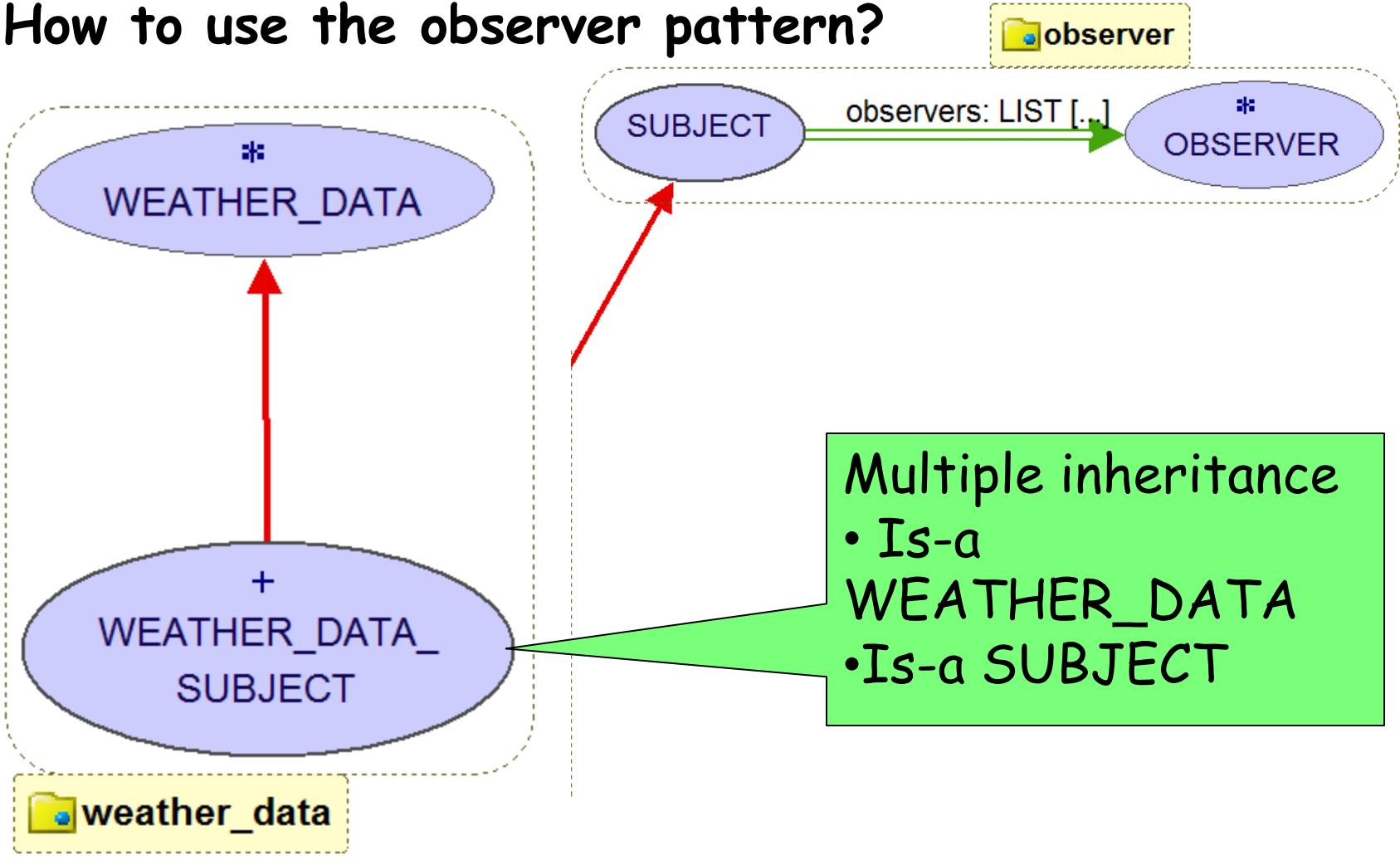
Dynamic  
binding

# back to Weather-O-Rama

- Ok, so what classes will we need?
- Sketch a BON diagram

# back to Weather-O-Rama

- WEATHER\_DATA is closed; so inherit from it
- How to use the observer pattern?



```
class  
  WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT
```

```
inherit  
  WEATHER_DATA  
  redefine  
    make  
  end
```

```
SUBJECT  
  rename  
    make as subject_make  
  end
```

```
create  
  make
```

```
feature {NONE}
```

```
  make  
  do  
    subject_make  
    Precursor  
  end
```

```
feature
```

```
  measurements_changed  
    -- called from weather station after set  
    do  
      notify  
    ensure then  
      observers_updated: observers.for_all (agent update_action_completed (?))  
    end
```

```
end -- class WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT
```

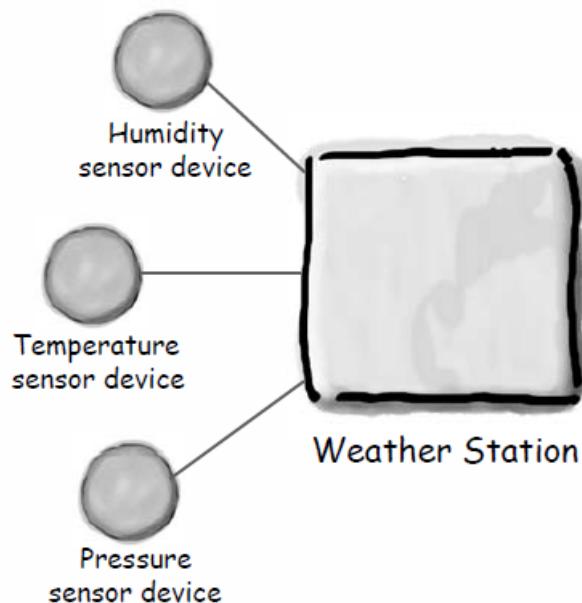
Inherit weather data behaviour such as temp, pressure, humidity

Inherit subject behaviour such as

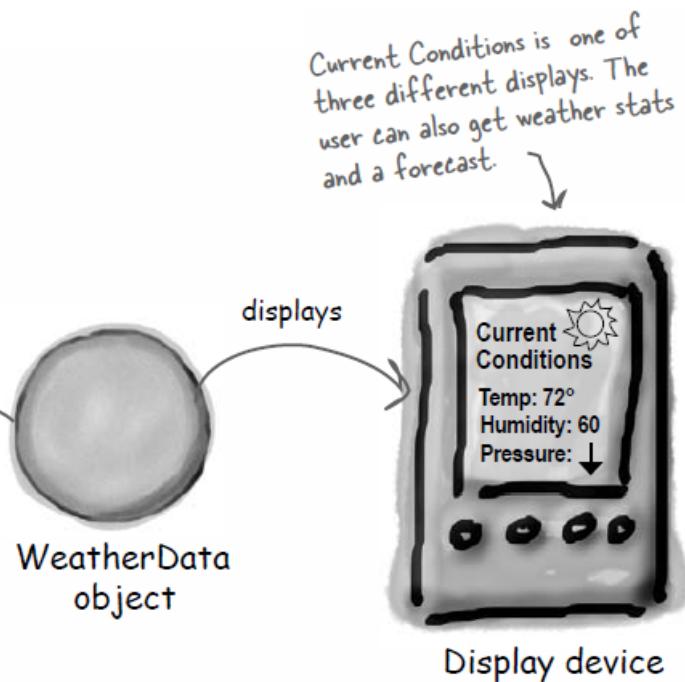
- add an observer (display)
- notify all observers

Effect measurements changed via notify

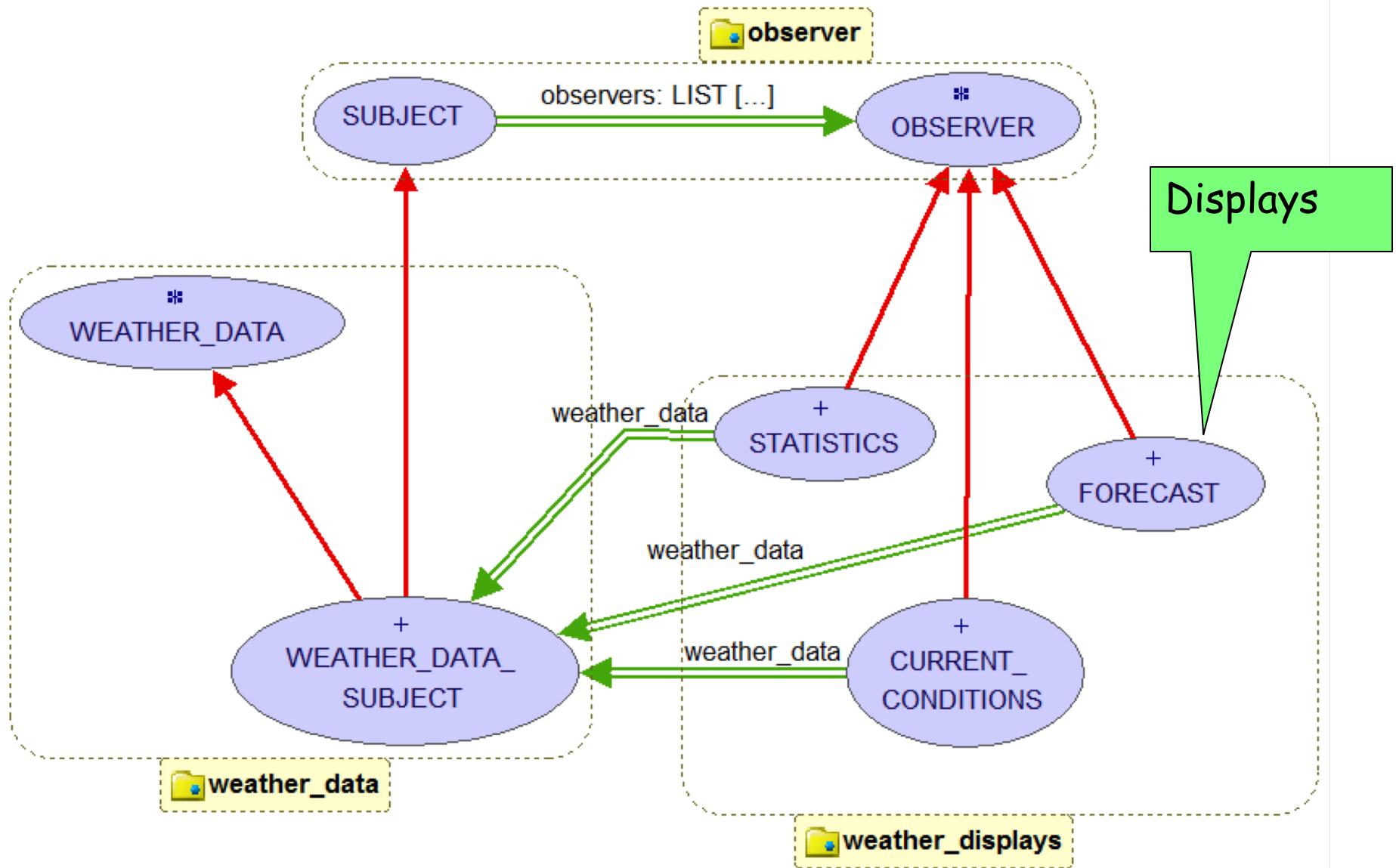
# What about the displays



**Weather-O-Rama provides**



**What we implement**



```

class CURRENT_CONDITIONS inherit
  OBSERVER
create
  make
feature {NONE} -- initialize
  make (wds: WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT)
    do
      weather_data := wds
      weather_data.attach (Current)
    end
  feature
    weather_data: WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT -- subject
    temperature: REAL
    humidity: REAL

    update
      -- update the observer's view of subject
      do
        temperature := weather_data.temperature
        humidity := weather_data.humidity
        display
      end ...
  end

```

Attach the current display to the weather data subject

```

class CURRENT_CONDITIONS inherit
  OBSERVER
create
  make
feature {NONE} -- initialize
  make (a_weather_data: WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT) ...

feature
  weather_data: WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT --
  temperature: REAL_32
  humidity: REAL_32

  update ...
    up_to_date_with_subject: BOOLEAN
    -- is this observer up to date with its subject
do
  if temperature = weather_data.temperature
    and humidity = weather_data.humidity then
      Result := true
end

display ...
end

```

- It is easy to forget to synch
- A contract failure will remind you, if you forget to do this

# Power up weather station

```
class WEATHER_STATION create
```

```
    make
```

```
feature
```

```
    cc: CURRENT_CONDITIONS -- displays
```

```
    fd: FORECAST
```

```
    sd: STATISTICS
```

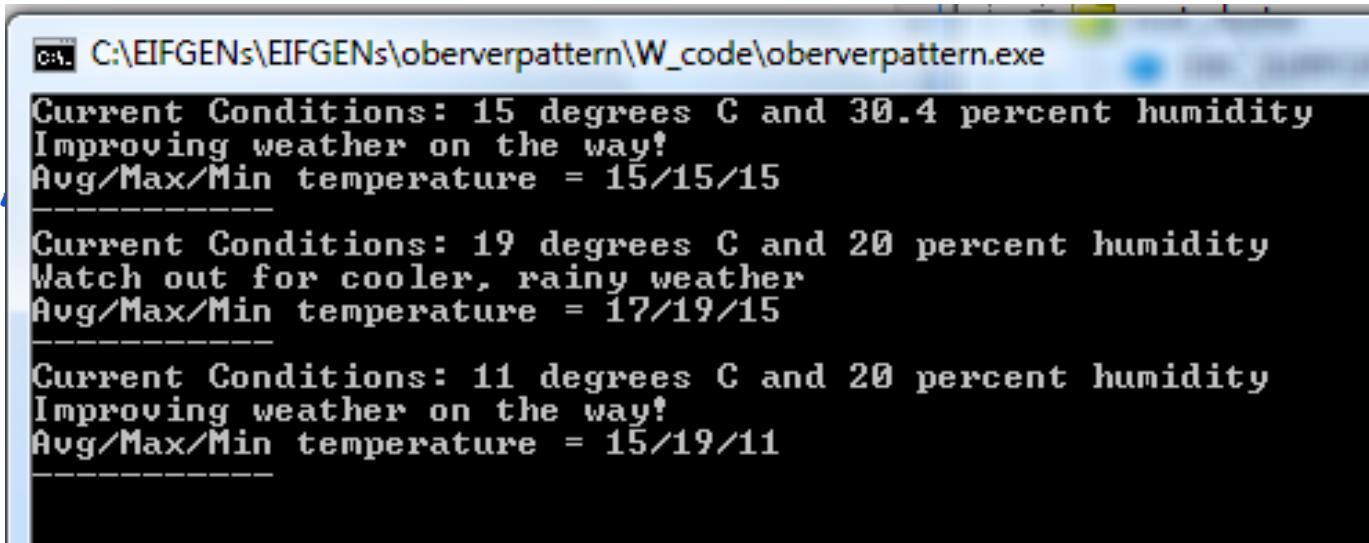
```
    wd: WEATHER_D.
```

```
    make
```

```
    do
```

```
        create wd.make
```

```
        create cc.make
```



The screenshot shows a terminal window with three distinct weather reports. Each report includes current conditions, a forecast message, and average/max/min temperature information. The reports are separated by horizontal lines.

```
C:\EIFFGENs\EIFFGENs\oberverpattern\W_code\oberverpattern.exe
Current Conditions: 15 degrees C and 30.4 percent humidity
Improving weather on the way!
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 15/15/15
-----
Current Conditions: 19 degrees C and 20 percent humidity
Watch out for cooler, rainy weather
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 17/19/15
-----
Current Conditions: 11 degrees C and 20 percent humidity
Improving weather on the way!
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 15/19/11
```

```
wd.set_measurements (15, 60, 30.4); wd.measurements_changed
```

```
wd.set_measurements (19, 56, 20); wd.measurements_changed
```

```
wd.set_measurements (11, 90, 20); wd.measurements_changed
```

```
end
```

```
end
```



### Design Principle

*Strive for loosely coupled designs between objects that interact.*

## Why?

**The only thing the subject knows about an observer is that it implements a certain interface** (the Observer interface). It doesn't need to know the concrete class of the observer, what it does, or anything else about it.

**We can add new observers at any time.** Because the only thing the subject depends on is a list of objects that implement the Observer interface, we can add new observers whenever we want. In fact, we can replace any observer at runtime with another observer and the subject will keep purring along. Likewise, we can remove observers at any time.

**We never need to modify the subject to add new types of observers.** Let's say we have a new concrete class come along that needs to be an observer. We don't need to make any changes to the subject to accommodate the new class type, all we have to do is implement the Observer interface in the new class and register as an observer. The subject doesn't care; it will deliver notifications to any object that implements the Observer interface.

How many different kinds of change can you identify here?

**Design Principle:** Strive for loosely coupled designs between objects that interact.

- OOSC2: Chapter 3 on modularity

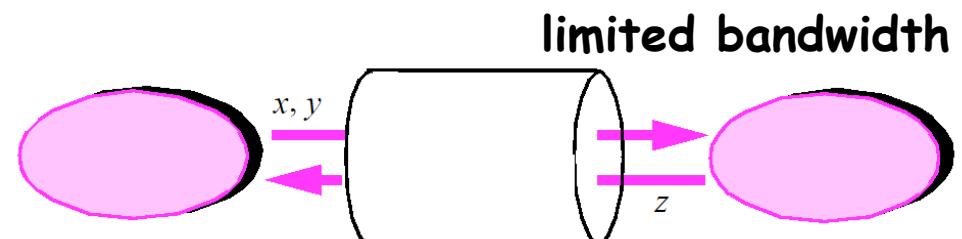
- Few interfaces principle (a module should communicate with as few others as possible)

- Small interfaces principle (exchange as little information as possible)

- Explicit interface principle (interface obvious from the text)

- Information hiding

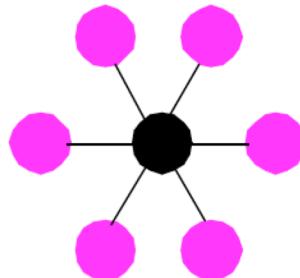
- Self documentation principle



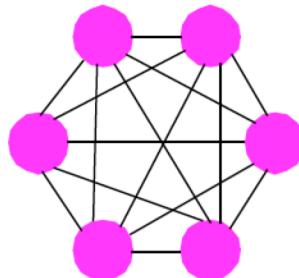
# Few interfaces (OOSC2 p47)

Every module should communicate with as few others as possible.

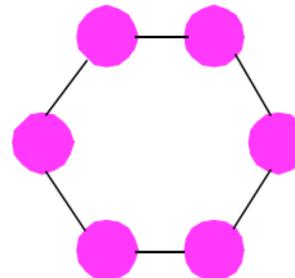
Communication may occur between modules in a variety of ways. Modules may call each other (if they are procedures), share data structures etc. The Few Interfaces rule limits the number of such connections.



(A)



(B)



(C)

More precisely, if a system is composed of  $n$  modules, then the number of intermodule connections should remain much closer to the minimum,  $n-1$ , shown as (A) in the figure, than to the maximum,  $n(n-1)/2$ , shown as (B).

# Few interfaces (OOSC2 p48)

If two modules communicate, they should exchange as little information as possible

An electrical engineer would say that the channels of communication between modules must be of limited bandwidth:



- The use of external variables in C like languages creates blocks of common data accessible from all modules
- But this also means that all modules can misuse this data and create tightly coupled modules

**Design Principle:** Strive for loosely coupled designs between objects that interact.

- Loosely coupled designs allow us to build flexible OO systems that can handle change because they minimize the dependency between objects

# Add a new display for the heat index?

```
heatindex =
```

```
16.923 + 1.85212 * 10-1 * T + 5.37941 * RH - 1.00254 * 10-1 * T  
* RH + 9.41695 * 10-3 * T2 + 7.28898 * 10-3 * RH2 + 3.45372 * 10-4  
* T2 * RH - 8.14971 * 10-4 * T * RH2 + 1.02102 * 10-5 * T2 * RH2 -  
3.8646 * 10-5 * T3 + 2.91583 * 10-5 * RH3 + 1.42721 * 10-6 * T3 * RH  
+ 1.97483 * 10-7 * T * RH3 - 2.18429 * 10-8 * T3 * RH2 + 8.43296 *  
10-10 * T2 * RH3 - 4.81975 * 10-11 * T3 * RH3
```

Here's what changed  
in this output.

```
Current conditions: 80.0F degrees and 65.0% humidity  
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 80.0/80.0/80.0  
Forecast: Improving weather on the way!  
Heat index is 82.95535  
Current conditions: 82.0F degrees and 70.0% humidity  
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 81.0/82.0/80.0  
Forecast: Watch out for cooler, rainy weather  
Heat index is 86.90124  
Current conditions: 78.0F degrees and 90.0% humidity  
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 80.0/82.0/78.0  
Forecast: More of the same  
Heat index is 83.64967  
%
```

## OO Basics

Abstraction

Inheritance  
Encapsulation

## OO Principles

Encapsulate what varies.

Favor composition over inheritance.

Program to interfaces, not implementations.

Strive for loosely coupled designs between objects that interact.

## OO Patterns

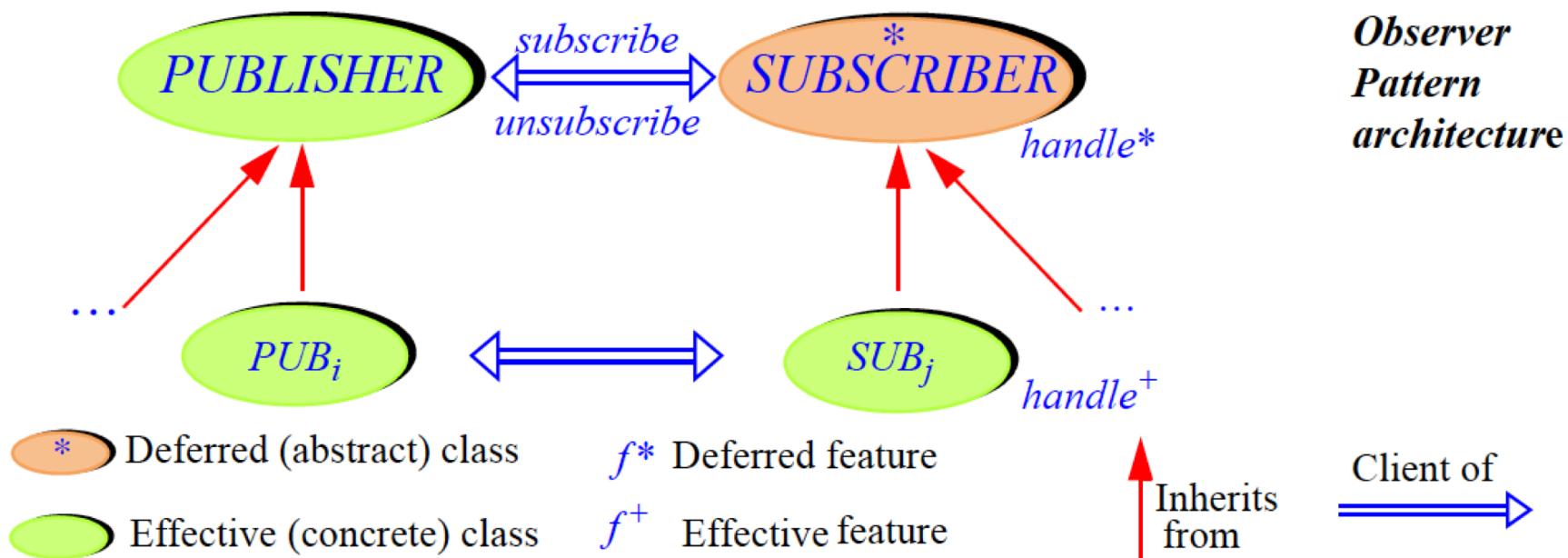
Strategy  
encapsulation  
interface  
vary

Observer - defines a one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all its dependents are notified and updated automatically

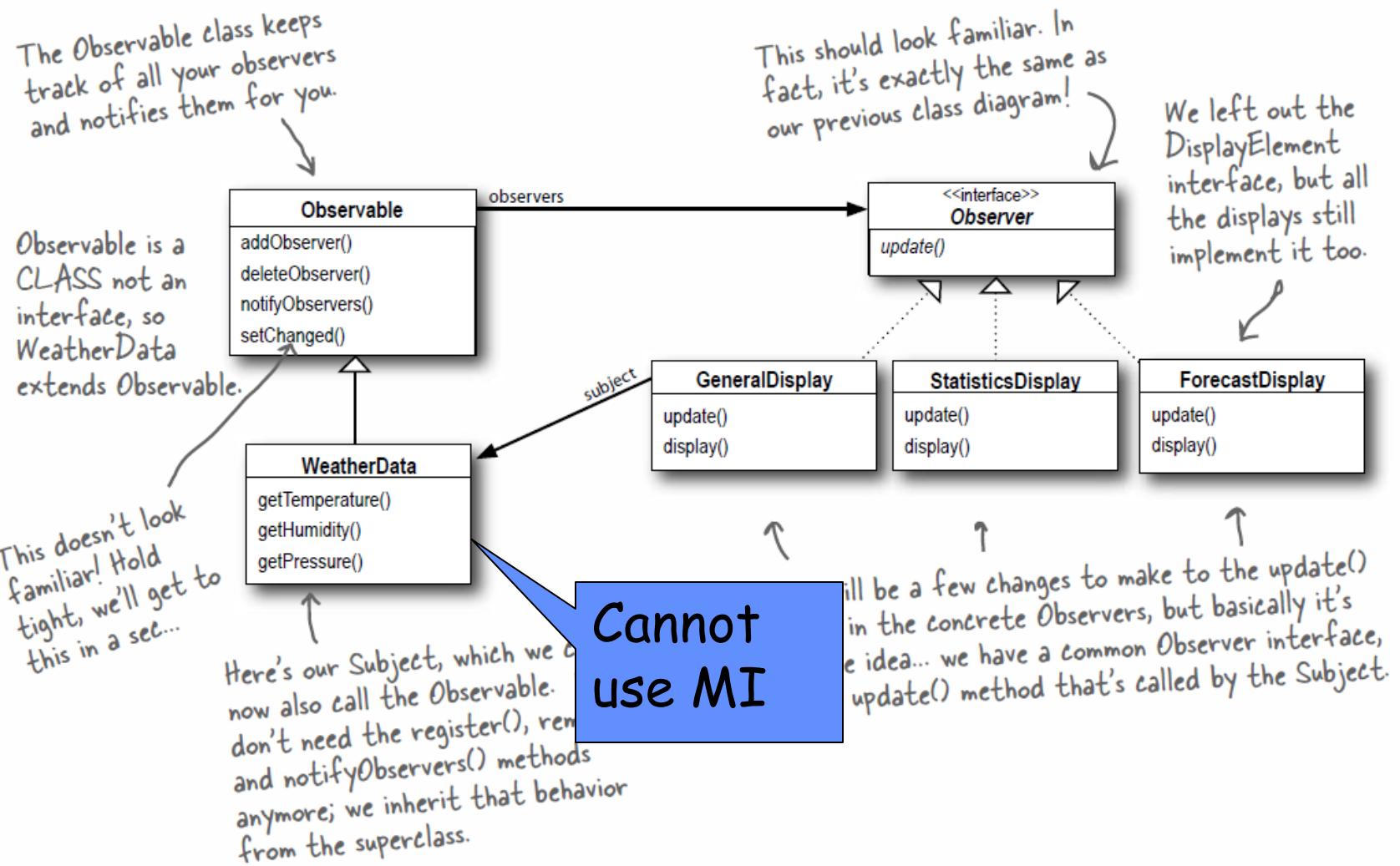


A new pattern for communicating state to a set of objects in a loosely coupled manner. We haven't seen the last of the Observer Pattern - just wait until we talk about MVC!

# Also called publisher-subscriber



# Java's built-in pattern (e.g. in Swing)



# Observer in Java

```
public class CurrentConditionsDisplay implements Observer, DisplayElement {  
    private float temperature;  
    private float humidity;  
    private Subject weatherData;  
  
    public CurrentConditionsDisplay(Subject weatherData) {  
        this.weatherData = weatherData;  
        weatherData.registerObserver(this);  
    }  
  
    public void update(float temperature, float humidity, float pressure) {  
        this.temperature = temperature;  
        this.humidity = humidity; ←  
        display();  
    }  
  
    public void display() {  
        System.out.println("Current conditions: " + temperature  
            + "F degrees and " + humidity + "% humidity");  
    }  
}
```

This display implements Observer so it can get changes from the WeatherData object.

It also implements DisplayElement, because our API is going to require all display elements to implement this interface.

The constructor is passed the weatherData object (the Subject) and we use it to register the display as an observer.

When update() is called, we save the temp and humidity and call display().

The display() method just prints out the most recent temp and humidity.

# Java Version of Subject (restricted to interfaces)

```
public interface Subject {  
    public void registerObserver(Observer o);  
    public void removeObserver(Observer o);  
    public void notifyObservers();  
}
```

Both of these methods take an Observer as an argument; that is, the Observer to be registered or removed.

This method is called to notify all observers when the Subject's state has changed.

specific to weather station

```
public interface Observer {  
    public void update(float temp, float humidity, float pressure);  
}
```

These are the state values the Observers get from the Subject when a weather measurement changes

# Critique of Observer pattern

- The issue of how to deal with update arguments in the **observer** is unpleasant. In the Java example, there would be many quasi-identical observers
- The **subject** is decoupled from the **observers**. But the **observers** are coupled to the **subject**. For example, **CURRENT\_CONDITIONS** has to subscribe to **WEATHER\_DATA**.
- With a single general-purpose **SUBJECT** class, an observer can only subscribe to that subject. But observers/listeners/subscribers may want to register with multiple events (press of a button, right-click etc).

# Design Decisions

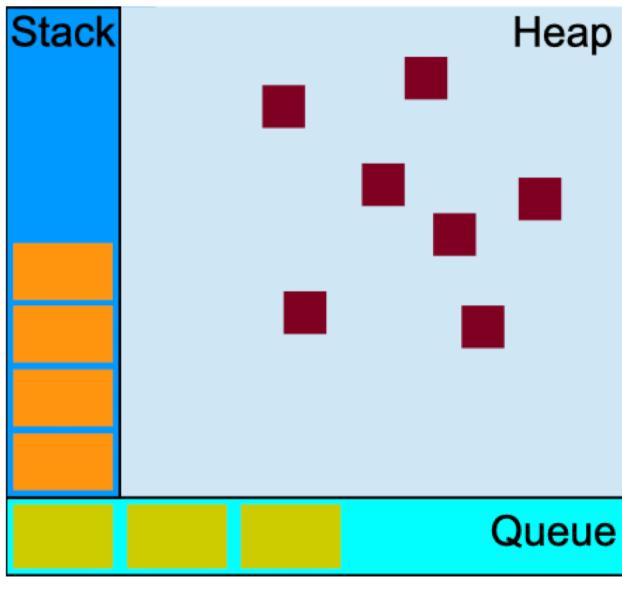
- The preceding assessment of “Observer” is an example of how one may analyze a proposed software architecture.
- When you are presented with possible design alternatives, the evaluation criteria are always the same such as:
  - ◆ **reliability** (decreasing the likelihood of ERRORS),
  - ◆ **reusability** (minimizing the amount of work to integrate the solution into a new program),
  - ◆ **extendibility** (minimizing adaptation effort when the problem varies),
  - ◆ **and simplicity**

# Event-Driven Programming

- Event-driven programming is a programming paradigm in which the flow of the program is determined by events such as user actions (mouse clicks, key presses), sensor outputs, or messages from other programs/threads.
- Event-driven programming is the dominant paradigm used in graphical user interfaces and other applications (e.g. JavaScript web applications) that are centered on performing certain actions in response to user input.
- In an event-driven application, there is generally a main loop that listens for events, and then triggers a callback function (lambda function) when one of those events is detected. In embedded systems the same may be achieved using hardware interrupts instead of a constantly running main loop. Event-driven programs can be written in any programming language, although the task is easier in languages that provide high-level abstractions, such as closures (lambda functions).

# Javascript event driven loop

## Memory Model



- **Stack** for function calls
- **Heap** for object allocation
- **Queue** for storing messages such as mouse clicks etc.  
(each message has an associated function to handle it)

```
1 | while (queue.waitForMessage()) {  
2 |   queue.processNextMessage();  
3 | }
```

# Event Driven Programming

```
<html>
<head>
<script type="text/javascript" src="https://ajax.microsoft.com/ajax/
jQuery/jquery-1.4.2.min.js"></script>

<script type="text/javascript">
    a = 998;
    function handleClick(){
        alert(a);
    }
</script>

<script type="text/javascript">
    a = a + 1;

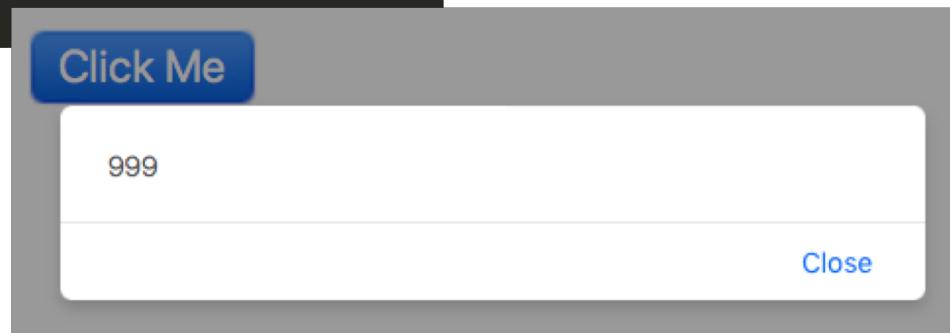
    $(document).ready(
        function(){
            $("#ClickMe").click(handleClick);
        }
    );
</script>

</head>
<body>
<p><input type="button" value="Click Me" id="ClickMe" /></p>
</body>
</html>
```

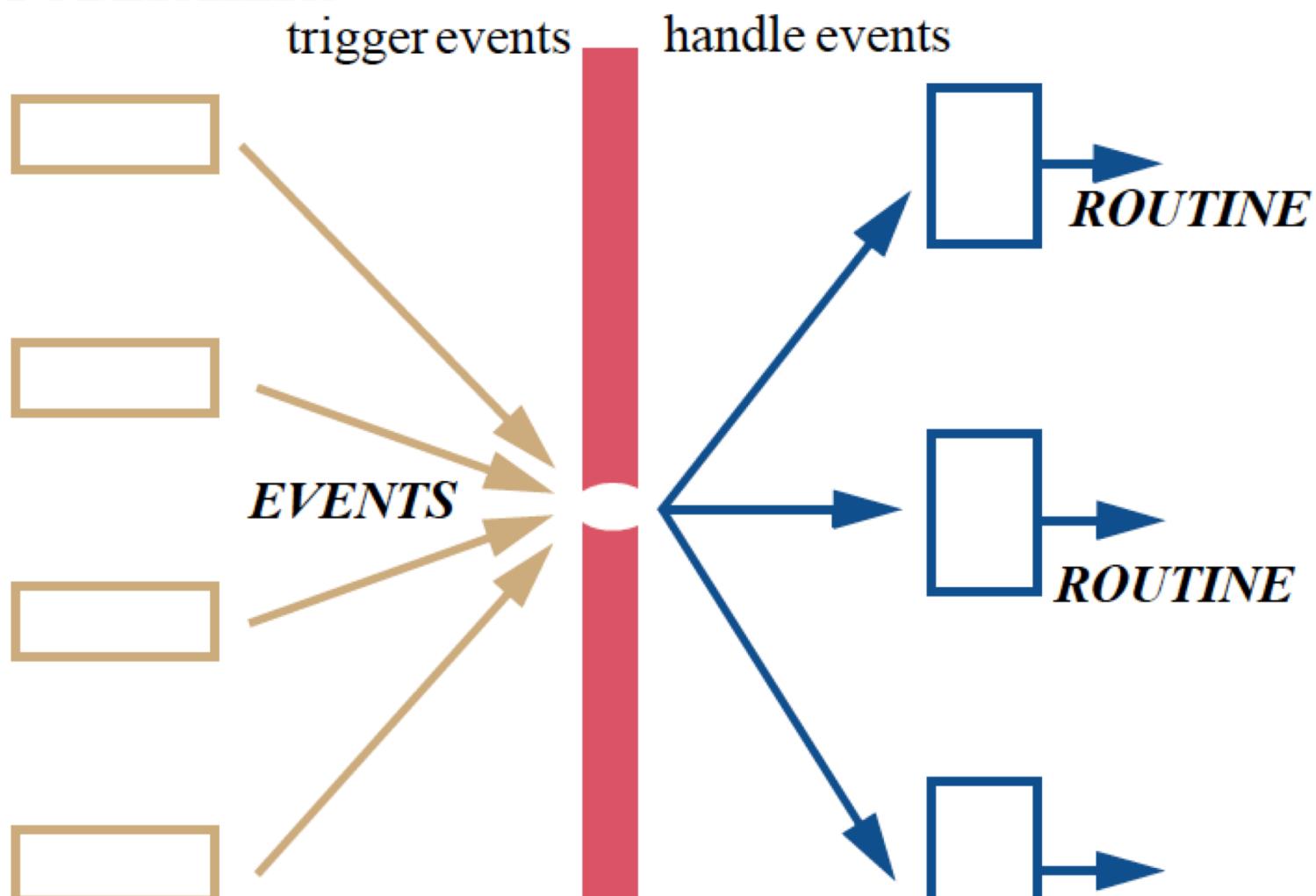
This code runs once and sits in global memory. An event driven interpreter in the browser is initiated.

Define/store a routine (an anonymous lambda function) to respond to a button click. A listener (observer) for button clicks is initiated.

When the event loop detects a click, function **handleClick** is executed. (repeatedly)



# Event Based Programming (agents)



# Event-Driven Programming

## The event-driven scheme

- E1 Some elements, *publishers*, make known to the rest of the system what *event types* they may trigger.
- E2 Some elements, *subscribers*, are interested in *handling* events of certain event types. They *register* the corresponding actions.
- E3 At any time, a publisher can *trigger* an event. This will cause execution of actions registered by subscribers for the event's type. These actions can use the event's arguments.

# EVENT\_TYPE API (agents)

```
note
    description: "Event Driven API for agents"

class interface
    EVENT_TYPE [G -> TUPLE]

create
    default_create

publish (args: G)
    -- update all subscribed listeners

subscribe (an_action: PROCEDURE [G])
    -- Register an action of this type
require
    an_action_not_void: an_action /= Void
    an_action_not_already_attached: not has (an_action)
ensure
    added: count = old count + 1
    subscribed: actions.has (an_action)

unsubscribe (an_action: PROCEDURE [G])
    -- deregister an action of this type
require
    has (an_action)
ensure
    unsubscribed: not has (an_action)

feature
    actions: LIST [PROCEDURE [G]]
    count: INTEGER_32
    ensure
        Result = actions.count
    execute (p: PROCEDURE [G]; args: G)
    has (an_action: PROCEDURE [G]): BOOLEAN
    ensure
        Result = actions.has (an_action)
```

Iterate over *actions* and execute each action procedure with argument *args*

# Subscribe/Unsubscribe

```
actions: LIST [PROCEDURE [G]]
```

```
subscribe (an_action: PROCEDURE [G])
  -- Register an action of this type
  require
    an_action_not_void: an_action /= void
    an_action_not_already_attached: not has (an_action)
  do
    actions.extend (an_action)
  ensure
    added: count = old count + 1
    subscribed: actions.has (an_action)
  end
```

```
unsubscribe (an_action: PROCEDURE [G])
  -- deregister an action of this type
  require
    has (an_action)
  do
    actions.search (an_action)
    actions.remove
  ensure
    unsubscribed: not has (an_action)
  end
```

# Publish

EVENT\_TYPE [ G → TUPLE ]

actions: LIST [ PROCEDURE [ G ] ]

This is also ok

publish (args: G)  
-- update all subscribed listeners

do

-- actions.do all (agent execute (? , args))

across actions as l\_action loop

execute(l\_action.item, args)

end

end

execute (p: PROCEDURE [ G ]; args: G)

do

p(args)

end

Execute procedure item with argument tuple **args**

# Broker

**note**

```
description: "[  
    Broker provides a Singleton Event Type  
    for weather station updates.  
    Other event types may be added as neccsary.  
]"
```

**expanded class**  
**BROKER**

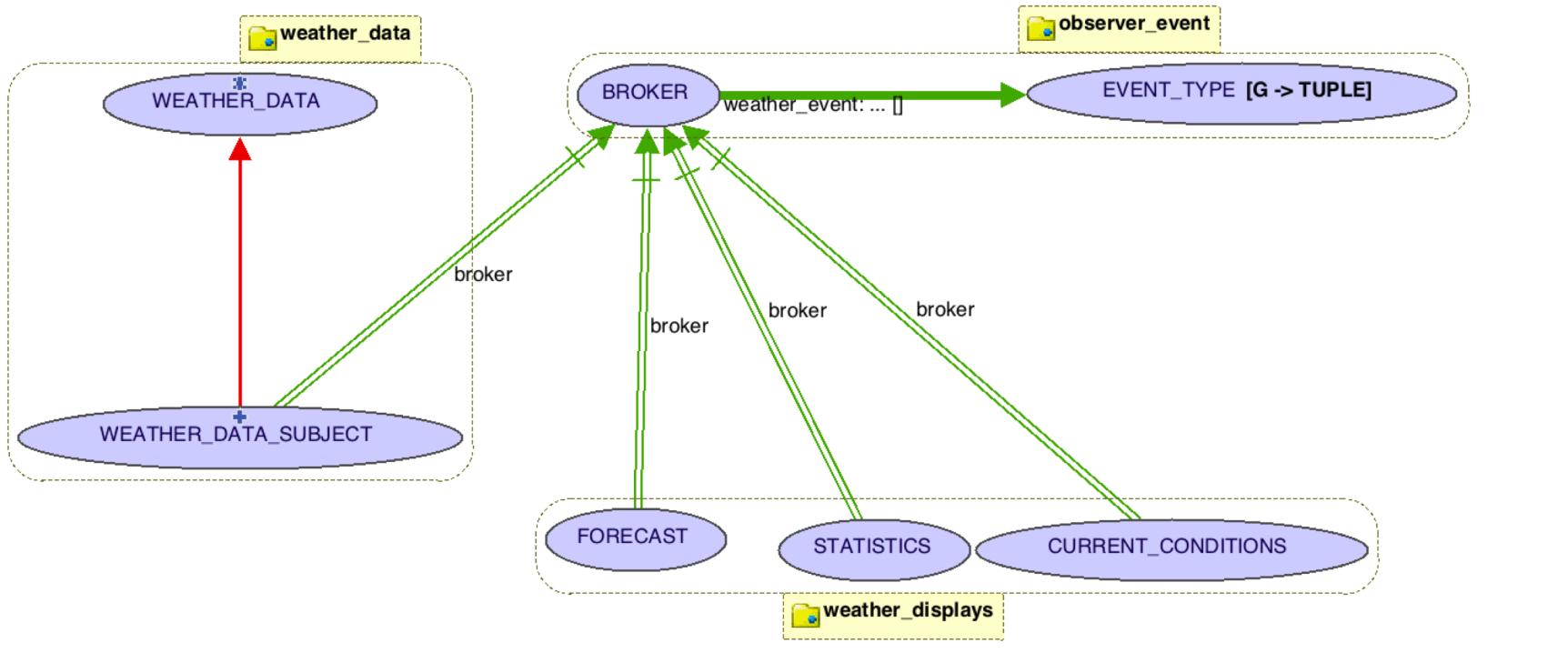
**feature**

```
weather_event: EVENT_TYPE[  
    TUPLE[temperature:REAL; pressure:REAL; humidity:REAL]  
]  
    -- event type for weather station
```

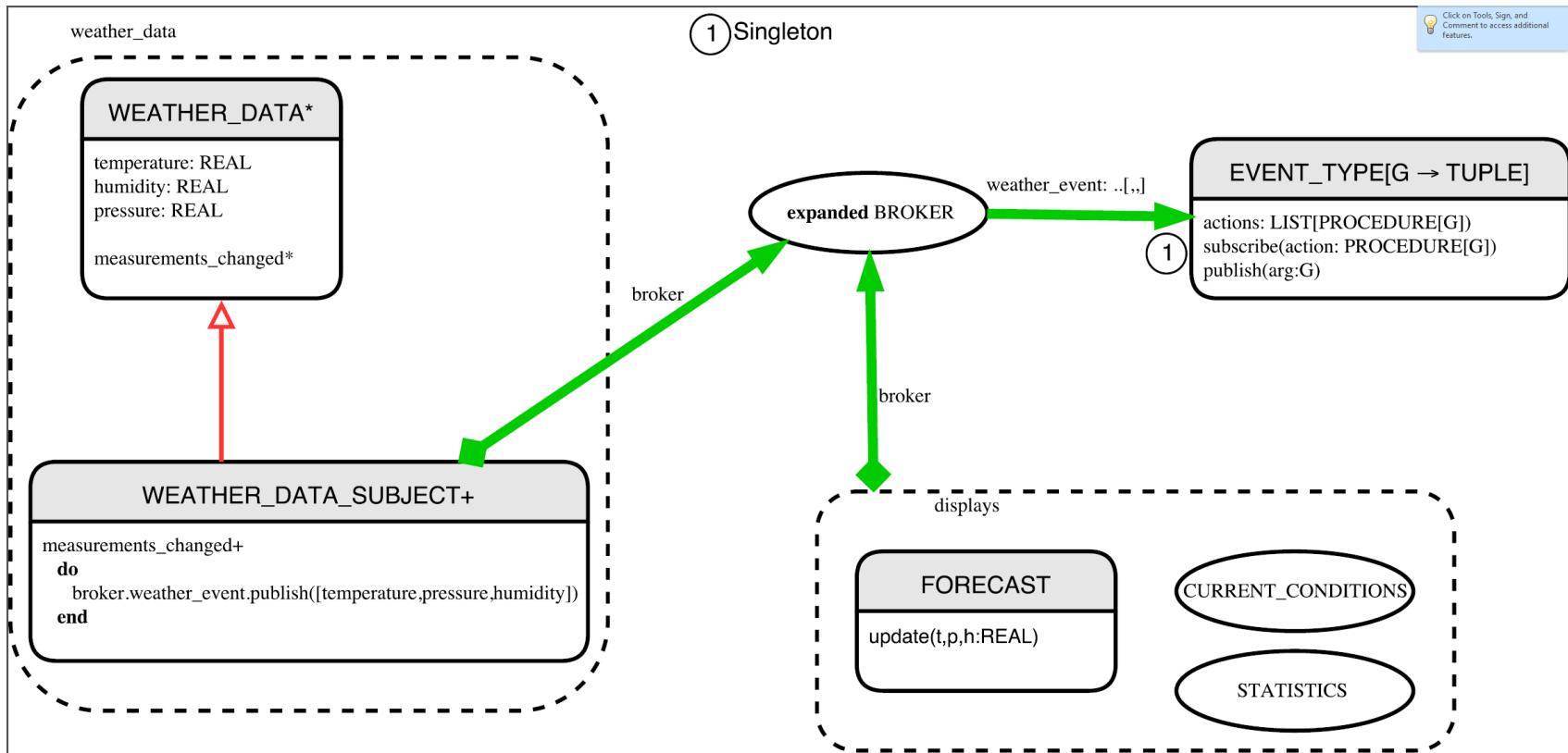
**once**  
**create Result**  
**end**

**end**

# IDE BON Diagram



# For Design Documents use draw.ioTemplate



# Simulator

```
class
    WEATHER_STATION_SIMULATOR
create
    make
feature
    cc: CURRENT_CONDITIONS
    fd: FORECAST
    sd: STATISTICS
    wd: WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT

    make
        do
            create wd.make
            create cc.make
            create fd.make
            create sd.make

            io.new_line
            wd.set_measurements (15, 60, 30.4)
            wd.measurements_changed
            print("-----%N")

            wd.set_measurements (19, 56, 20)
            wd.measurements_changed
            print("-----%N")

            wd.set_measurements (11, 90, 20)
            wd.measurements_changed
            print("-----%N")

--           io.read_character
        end

end
```

```

class WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT
inherit WEATHER_DATA
create make

feature{NONE}
  broker: BROKER -- expanded singleton

feature --effect measurements_changed

  measurements_changed
    do
      broker.weather_event.publish (
        [temperature,pressure,humidity]
      )
    end
end

```

```

measurements_changed
  do
    -- [temperature,pressure,humidity]
    broker.weather_event.publish (temperature,pressure,humidity)
  end

```

```

class CURRENT_CONDITIONS create
  make
feature{NONE} -- constructor

  broker: BROKER -- expanded singleton

  make
    -- subscribe to weather event type in broker
    do
      broker.weather event.subscribe (agent update)
    end
feature

  temperature: REAL
  humidity: REAL

  update(t,p,h:REAL)
    -- update the observer's view of `s'
    do
      temperature := t
      humidity := h
      display
    end

  display
    -- display current conditions

```

```

class WEATHER_STATION_SIMULATOR
create
    make
feature
    cc: CURRENT_CONDITIONS
    fd: FORECAST
    sd: STATISTICS
    wd: WEATHER_DATA SUBJECT

```

```
make
```

```
do
```

```
    create wd.make
```

```
    create cc.make
```

```
    create fd.make
```

```
    create sd.make
```

```
    io.new_line
```

```
    wd.set_measurements (15, 60, 30.4)
```

```
    wd.measurements_changed
```

```
    print("-----%N")
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```

```
    wd.set_measurements (11, 90, 20)
```

```
    wd.measurements_changed
```

```
    print("-----%N")
```

```

Current Conditions: 15 degrees C and 30.4 percent humidity
Improving weather on the way!
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 15/15/15
-----
Current Conditions: 19 degrees C and 20 percent humidity
Watch out for cooler, rainy weather
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 17/19/15
-----
Current Conditions: 11 degrees C and 20 percent humidity
Improving weather on the way!
Avg/Max/Min temperature = 15/19/11
-----
```

# Adding cosmic ray detectors to weather station

- Each weather station will be equipped with a cosmic ray (large energetic particles) detector
  - ◆ basically a camera
- Detect change in temperature events as well as detect cosmic rays
- How would we do that?

```
class BROKER feature  
    weather_event: EVENT_TYPE[TUPLE[R, R, R]]  
    once create Result end  
  
    cosmic_ray: EVENT_TYPE[TUPLE[BOOLEAN, R]]  
        -- sensor ok and ray intensity  
    once create Result end  
end
```

# Choose the right abstractions

- In the Observer pattern, the abstractions were SUBJECT and OBSERVER.
- Useful, but not good enough for a multi-subject publish-subscribe architecture
- In the weather system, what we needed was a BROKER. The only significant feature of a publisher is that it publishes events from a given event type in the broker, and the only significant feature of a subscriber is that it can subscribe to events from a given event type.
- The key abstraction is EVENT\_TYPE

# Information Hiding

- Each module (i.e. class) should have a 'secret', some operation that it hides from the other modules so that the other modules need not know the details
  - ◆ The secret of class **WEATHER\_DATA** is its interaction and handshaking with the weather station to obtain the temperature, pressure etc. It is a hardware-hiding module.
  - ◆ The secret of class **CURRENT\_CONDITIONS** is how it displays the temperature, humidity etc.
  - ◆ The secret of class **BROKER** is that (via **EVENT\_TYPE**) it hides the publisher from the subscribers (views) and the subscribers from the publisher.

## **Assessing software architectures**

The key to the quality of a software system is in its architecture, which covers such aspects as:

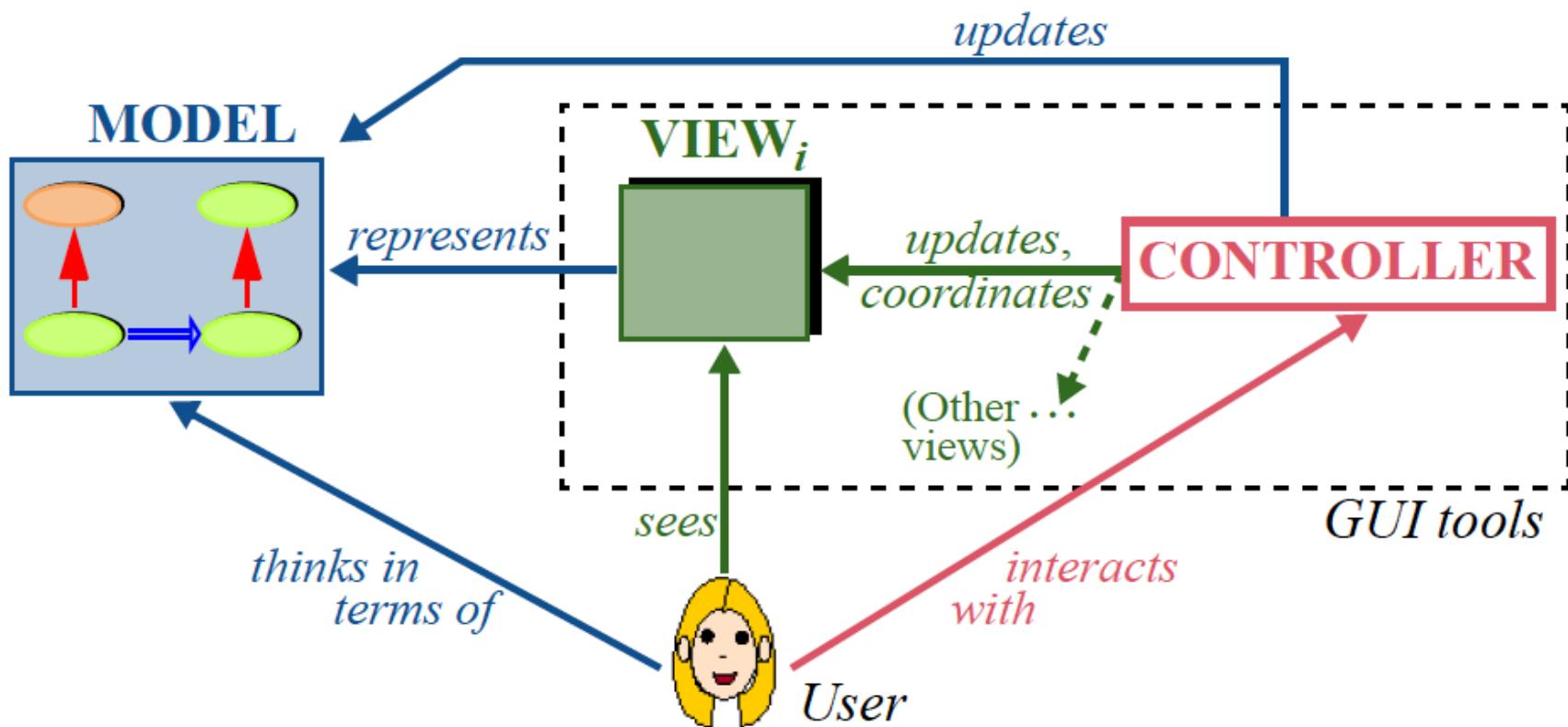
- The choice of classes, based on appropriate data abstractions.
- Deciding which classes will be related, with the overall goal of minimizing the number of such links (to preserve the ability to modify and reuse various parts of the software independently).
- For each such link, deciding between client and inheritance.
- Attaching features to the appropriate classes.
- Equipping classes and features with the proper contracts.
- For these contracts, deciding between a “demanding” style (strong preconditions, making the client responsible for providing appropriate values), a “tolerant” style (the reverse), or an intermediate solution.
- Removing unneeded elements.

## *Touch of Methodology:* **Assessing software architectures**

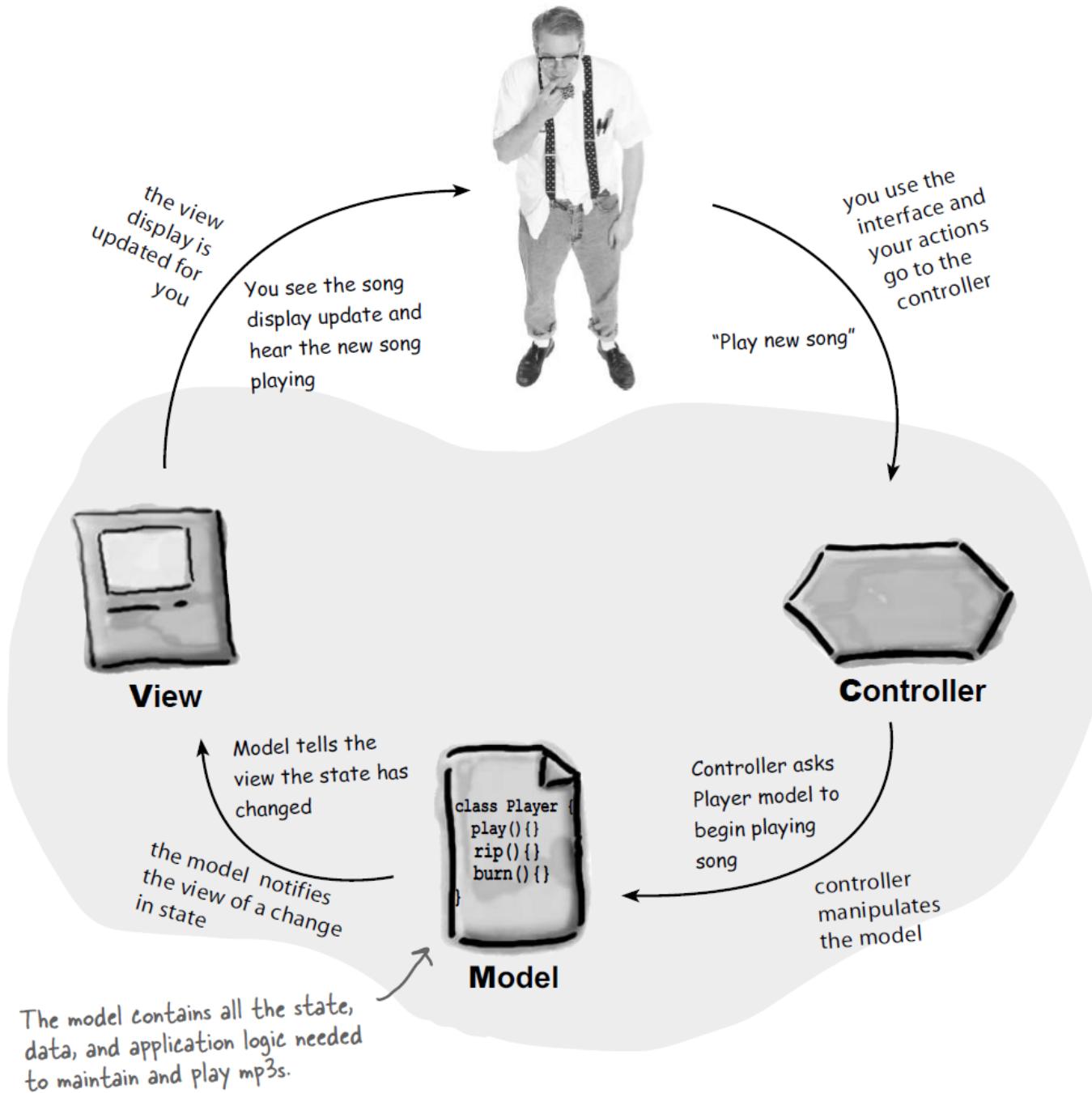
When examining possible design solutions for a given problem, discuss alternatives critically. The key criteria are: reliability, extendibility, reusability and simplicity.

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- Avoiding code duplication and removing it if already present; techniques involve inheritance (to make two or more classes inherit from an ancestor that captures their commonality) as well as genericity, tuples and agents.
  - Taking advantage of known design patterns.
  - Devising good APIs: simple, easy to learn and remember, equipped with the proper contracts.
  - Ensuring consistency: throughout the system, similar goals should be achieved through similar means. This governs all the aspects listed so far; for example, if you use inheritance for a certain class relationship, you should not use the client relation elsewhere if the conditions are the same. Consistency is also particularly important for an API, to ensure that once programmers have learned to use a certain group of classes they can expect to find similar conventions in others.
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# MVC (old)



# MVC iTunes mp3 player



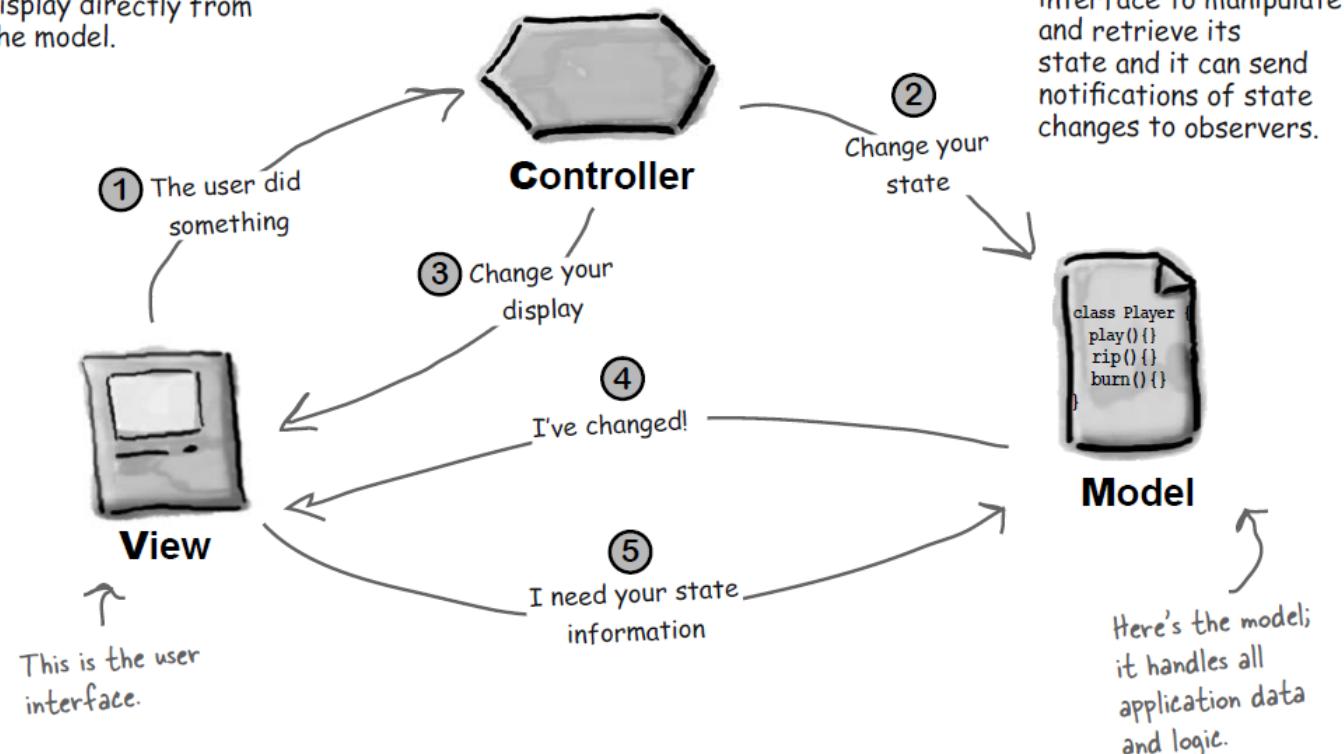
## CONTROLLER

Takes user input and figures out what it means to the model.

## VIEW

Gives you a presentation of the model. The view usually gets the state and data it needs to display directly from the model.

Here's the creamy controller; it lives in the middle. ↗

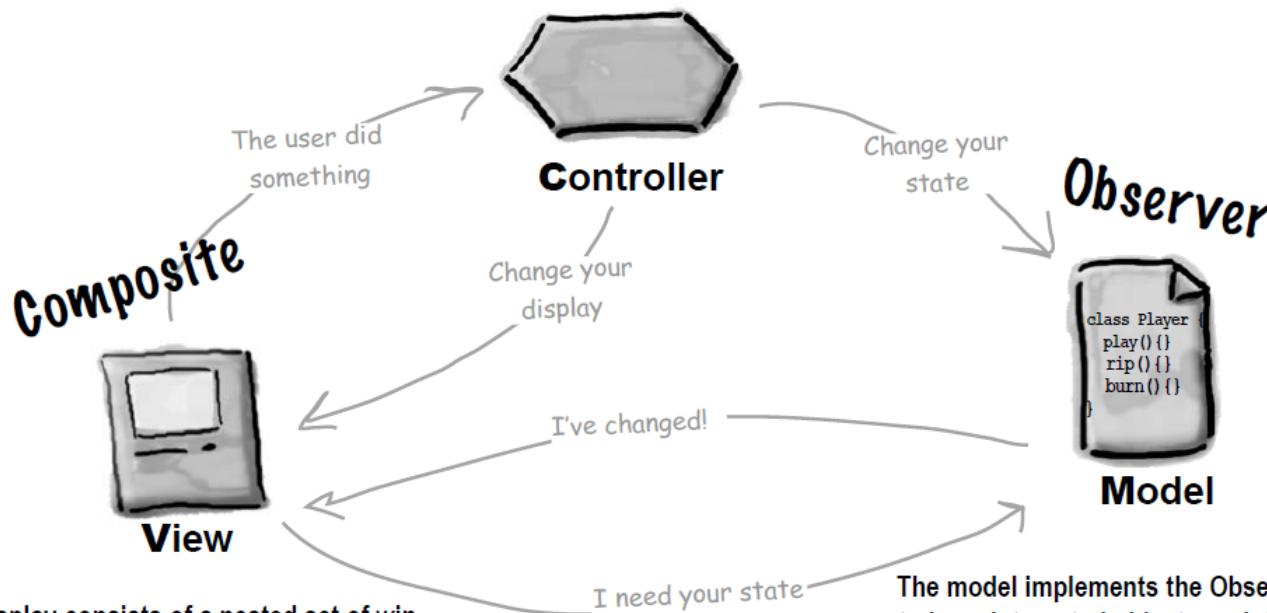


## MODEL

The model holds all the data, state and application logic. The model is oblivious to the view and controller, although it provides an interface to manipulate and retrieve its state and it can send notifications of state changes to observers.

# Strategy

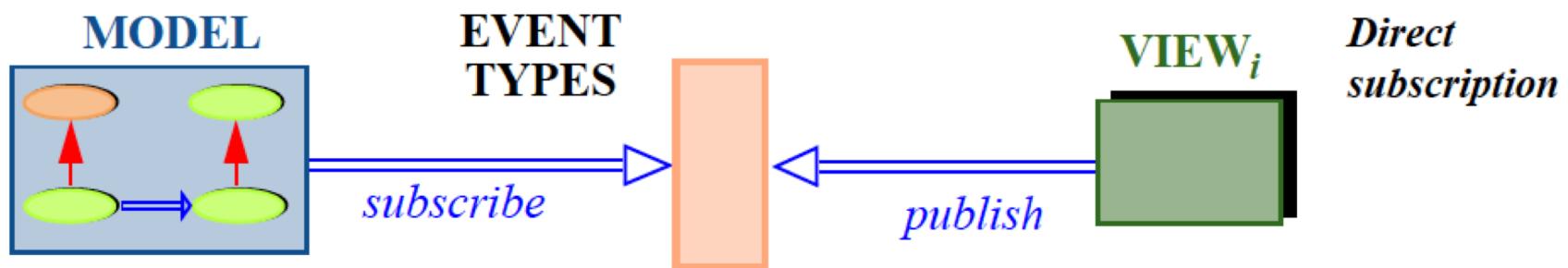
The view and controller implement the classic Strategy Pattern: the view is an object that is configured with a strategy. The controller provides the strategy. The view is concerned only with the visual aspects of the application, and delegates to the controller for any decisions about the interface behavior. Using the Strategy Pattern also keeps the view decoupled from the model because it is the controller that is responsible for interacting with the model to carry out user requests. The view knows nothing about how this gets done.



The display consists of a nested set of windows, panels, buttons, text labels and so on. Each display component is a composite (like a window) or a leaf (like a button). When the controller tells the view to update, it only has to tell the top view component, and Composite takes care of the rest.

The model implements the Observer Pattern to keep interested objects updated when state changes occur. Using the Observer Pattern keeps the model completely independent of the views and controllers. It allows us to use different views with the same model, or even use multiple views at once.

# MVC revisited



- There is no need for an explicit controller
- The model does not know about the view and the view does not know about the model

# CGI: Dynamic Pages



Client

HTTP



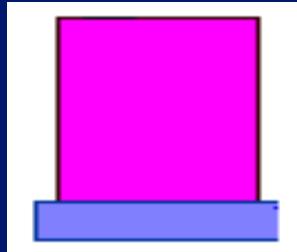
Web Server

NFS



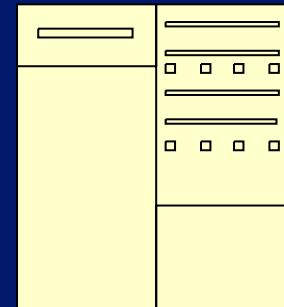
File Server

CGI

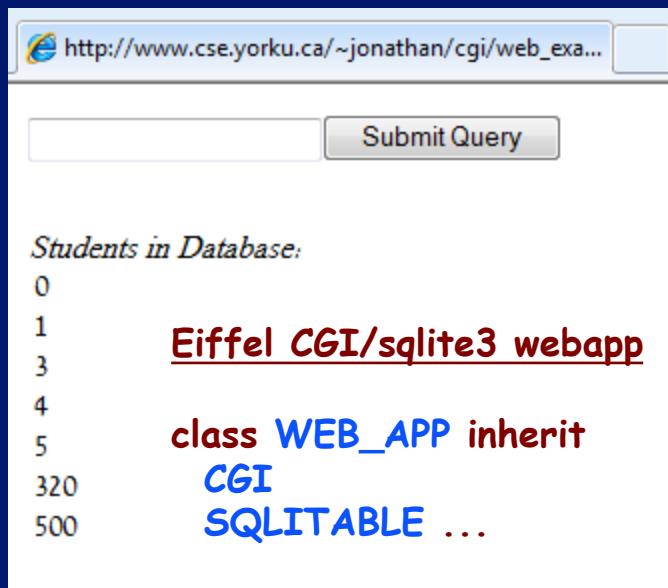


App Server

JDBC



DB Server



# **Key Characteristics of CGI**

- 1. Browser sends an HTTP request to the Web Server**
- 2. Web Server identifies the request as CGI**
- 3. Web Server dispatches the request to the App Server**
- 4. App Server impersonates the script's owner**
- 5. App Server runs the script passing the request**
- 6. Script outputs the response to Standard Output**
- 7. App Server routes Standard Output to the Web Server**
- 8. Web Server returns the response to the browser**

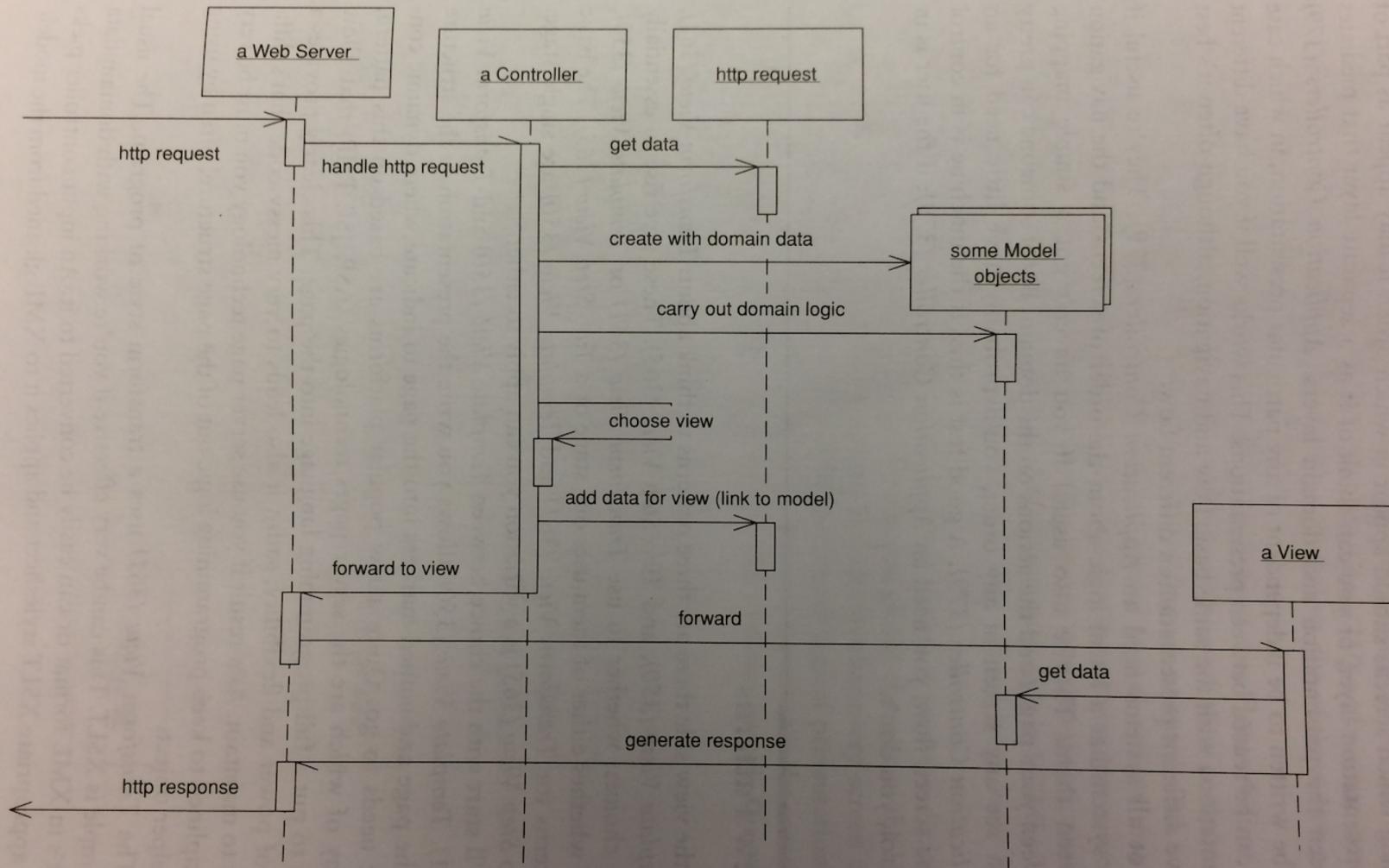
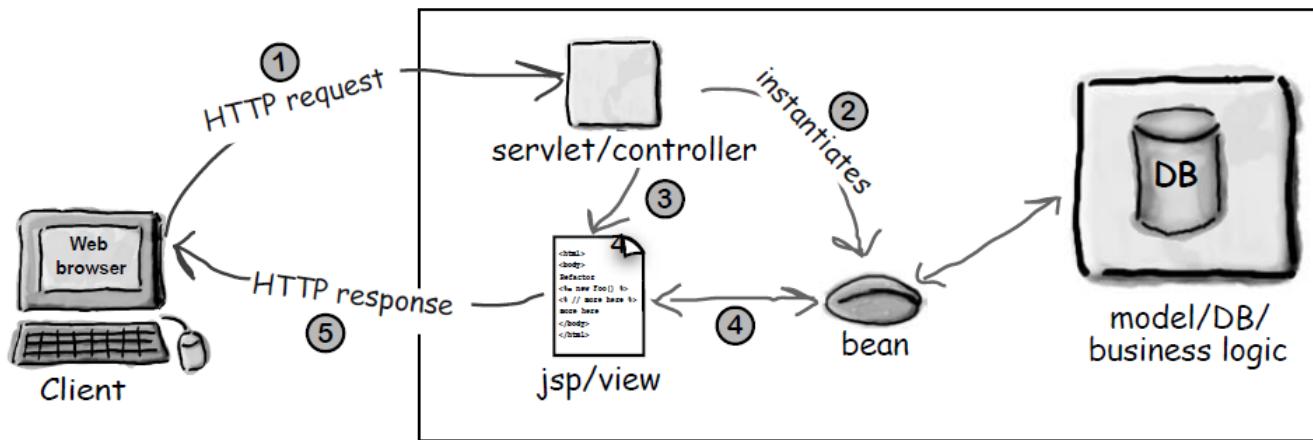


Figure 4.1 A broad-brush picture of how the model, view, and input controller roles work together in a Web server. The controller handles the request, gets the model to do the domain logic, and then gets the view to create a response based on the model.

Patterns of Enterprise Application Architecture,  
Marin Fowler, p57



**① You make an HTTP request, which is received by a servlet.**

Using your web browser you make an HTTP request. This typically involves sending along some form data, like your username and password. A servlet receives this form data and parses it.

**② The servlet acts as the controller.**

The servlet plays the role of the controller and processes your request, most likely making requests on the model (usually a database). The result of processing the request is usually bundled up in the form of a JavaBean.

**③ The controller forwards control to the view.**

The View is represented by a JSP. The JSP's only job is to generate the page representing the view of model (④) which it obtains via the JavaBean) along with any controls needed for further actions.

**⑤ The view returns a page to the browser via HTTP.**

A page is returned to the browser, where it is displayed as the view. The user submits further requests, which are processed in the same fashion.

## OO Principles

Encapsulate what varies.

Favor composition over inheritance.

Program to interfaces, not implementations.

Strive for loosely coupled designs between objects that interact.

Classes should be open for extension but closed for modification.

Depend on abstractions. Do not depend on concrete classes.

Only talk to your friends.

Don't call us, we'll call you.

A class should have only one reason to change.

## OO Basics

Abstraction

Encapsulation

Polymorphism

Inheritance

## OO Patterns

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Proxy - Provide a surrogate or placeholder for another object to control access to it.

### Compound Patterns

A Compound Pattern combines two or more patterns into a solution that solves a recurring or general problem.

We have a new category! MVC and Model 2 are compound patterns.



# Google: "Gang of Four"

## Creational

Singleton      Builder  
Prototype  
Abstract Factory  
Factory Method

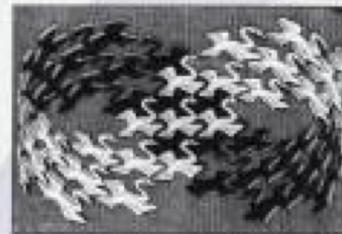
## Structural

Decorator      Composite      Facade  
Flyweight      Bridge  
Adapter

# Design Patterns

Elements of Reusable  
Object-Oriented Software

Erich Gamma  
Richard Helm  
Ralph Johnson  
John Vlissides



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