

Stone Paper Scissors

and a cool sub





Goals

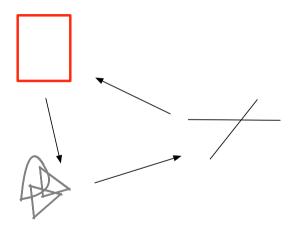
- In the quest of dispatch
- No conditionals!

(Stone new vs: Paper new) >>> #paper

--- #раре



Goals





Stone Paper Scissors: one Test

StonePaperScissorsTest >> testPaperIsWinning self assert: (Stone new vs: Paper new) equals: #paper



The inverse too

StonePaperScissorsTest >> testPaperIsWinning self assert: (Stone new vs: Paper new) equals: #paper

StonePaperScissorsTest >> testPaperIsWinning self assert: (Paper new vs: Stone new) equals: #paper



More Tests

StonePaperScissorsTest >> testStoneAgainsStone self assert: (Stone new vs: Stone new) equals: #draw

StonePaperScissorsTest >> testStoneIsWinning self assert: (Stone new vs: Scissors new) equals: #stone



Let us start

StonePaperScissorsTest >> testPaperIsWinning self assert: (Stone new vs: Paper new) equals: #paper

Stone >> vs: anotherTool



Hints

- The solution does not contain an explicit condition
- Remember sending a message is making a choice
- Sending a message is selecting the right method
 - when we send the message vs: the method of the receiver is executed
- What if we introduce another method?

Paper playAgainstStone:

Stone >> vs: anotherTool
^ anotherTool playAgainstStone: self

Paper >> playAgainstStone: aStone



Paper playAgainstStone:

Stone >> vs: anotherTool
^ anotherTool playAgainstStone: self

Paper >> playAgainstStone: aStone >> ^ #paper



Paper playAgainstStone:

Works for

Stone new vs: Paper new

>>> #paper

But not for

Stone new vs: Scissor new

>>> #stone

- How to fix this?
- Easy!



Other playAgainstStone:

Scissors >> playAgainstStone: aStone ^ #stone

Stone >> playAgainstStone: aStone

^ #draw



Stepping back

- We know that a method is executed on a class (here Stone)
- We SEND another message to the argument to select another method (here plavAgainstStone:)
- We sent two messages to be able to select a method based on its receiver AND argument

Scissors now

Scissors >> vs: anotherTool

^ anotherTool playAgainstScissors: self

Scissors >> playAgainstScissors: aScissors

^ #draw

Paper >> playAgainstScissors: aScissors

^ #scissors

Stone >> playAgainstScissors: aScissors

^ #stone

Paper now

Paper >> vs: anotherTool

^ anotherTool playAgainstPaper: self

Scissors >> playAgainstPaper: aPaper

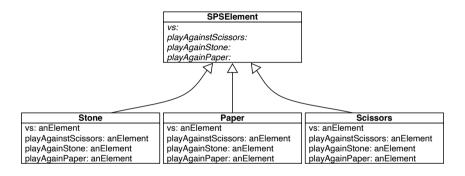
^ #scissors

Paper >> playAgainstPaper: aPaper

^ #draw

Stone >> playAgainstPaper: aPaper

Solution Overview



Paper >> vs: anotherTool
^ anotherTool playAgainstPaper: self

Remark

- In this toy example we do not need to pass the argument during the double dispatch
- But in general this is important as in Visitor

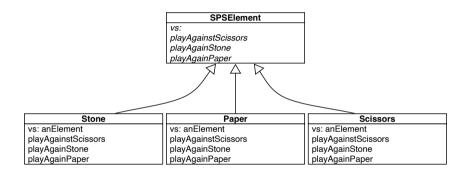
Scissors >> playAgainstPaper: aPaper ^ #scissors

can just be

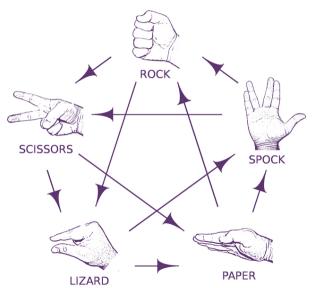
Scissors >> playAgainstPaper
^ #scissors



Remark



Extending it...



Conclusion

- Powerful
- Modular
- Just sending an extra message to an argument and using late binding



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