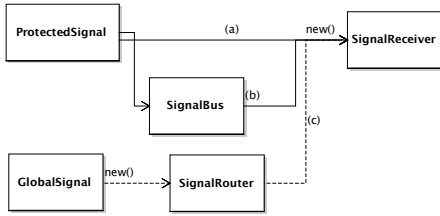
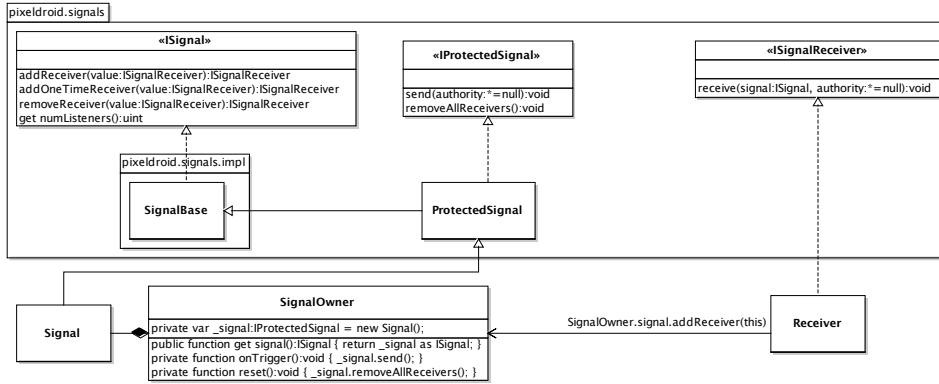


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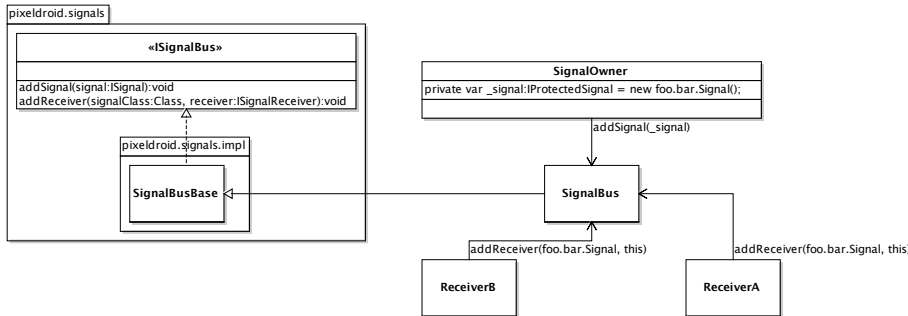
- signal – emits information
- receiver – accepts signal emissions; directly connected to signals or instantiated by routers
- protected signal – connects directly to a receiver
- signal bus – provides a level of indirection for signal / receiver connections
- global signal – uses the signal transmitter to find suitable router for short-lived connection
- signal transmitter (not shown here) – forwards signals to interested routers
- router – completes indirect connections between global signals and receivers



(a) For tight coupling, Signal and SignalReceiver provide a simple publication / subscription interface. Classes can aggregate signals to declare the events they publish. ProtectedSignal provides elevated access for signal owners. A Signal authority is by convention whatever sent the signal, but may be anything useful, including nothing at all.



(b) For indirect coupling, SignalBus implements a Notifier / Observer pattern. It functions as a third party for registration of signals and receivers.



For loose coupling, the SignalRouter implements a FrontController pattern. Receiver classes are registered for pairing with GlobalSignals via addConnection(). Users instantiate and send a GlobalSignal which the SignalTransmitter forwards to a SignalRouter who instantiates and executes the connected Receiver. The Receiver plays the part of a Command, with its receive() method functioning as execute().

