

Duplicate Observed Data

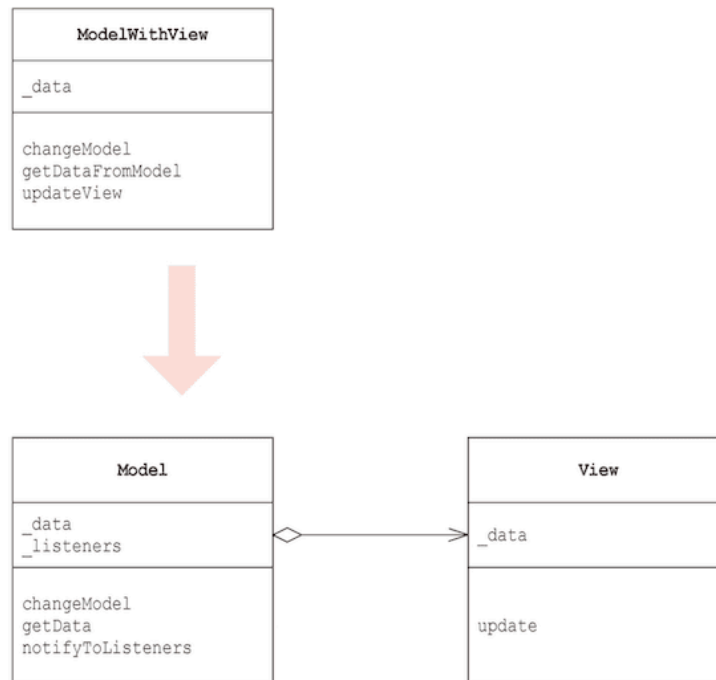
Copy **domain data** to a separate UI and business layer and keep it **synchronized with observers**.

- When a model and view are in the same class, we should separate them.
- Then, we should synchronize the model and view using the Observer design pattern.

For MVVM architecture (ASE456), we can think of this as:

- When a ViewModel and view are in the same class, we should separate them.
- Then, we should synchronize the model and view using state manager, such as Provider.

- The Model owns the view.
- The view duplicates observed view (data).



Example: IntegerDisplay

- In this example, we build a GUI app that displays an integer value.

IntegerDisplay
<code>_octalLabel</code> <code>_decimalLabel</code> <code>_hexadecimalLabel</code> <code>_incrementButton</code> <code>_decrementButton</code> <code>_value</code>
<code>actionPerformed</code> <code>getValue</code> <code>setValue</code>

- This application has two responsibilities in one class.
 - The model (data): the information process in hex, oct, decimal format.
 - The view: the display of the information

```
def increment(self): self.set_value(self.value + 1)

def decrement(self): self.set_value(self.value - 1)

def get_value(self): return self.value

def set_value(self, value):
    self.value = value
    # Update labels with different bases
    # Remove '0o' prefix
    self.octal_label.setText(oct(self.value)[2:])
    # Remove '0x' prefix
    self.decimal_label.setText(str(self.value))
    self.hexadecimal_label.setText(hex(self.value)[2:])
```

- The data and view are tightly integrated so it is hard to fix bugs or extend features.
- We need to apply SRP rule to separate the class into model and view.

Refactoring: Separating Value

- The first step is to make the Value class that stores the value.

```
class Value:
    def __init__(self, value=0):
        self.value = value; self.listeners = []

    def set_value(self, value):
        self.value = value; self.notify_listeners()

    def get_value(self): return self.value
```


- The value should notify listeners when the value is updated.

```
class Value:
    ...
    def add_value_listener(self, listener):
        self.listeners.append(listener)
    def remove_value_listener(self, listener):
        if listener in self.listeners:
            self.listeners.remove(listener)
            return True
        return False
    def notify_listeners(self):
        event = ValueChangeEvent(self)
        for listener in self.listeners:
            listener.value_changed(event)
```

- The ValueChangeEvent is used as an argument sent from the model (source) to the listeners including the View.

```
class ValueChangeEvent:  
    def __init__(self, source):  
        self.source = source  
  
    def get_source(self):  
        return self.source
```

ValueListener

- We make the Listener interface.

```
from abc import abstractmethod

class ValueListener:
    """Interface for value change listeners"""

    @abstractmethod
    def value_changed(self, event):
        pass
```

Link the value using the listener

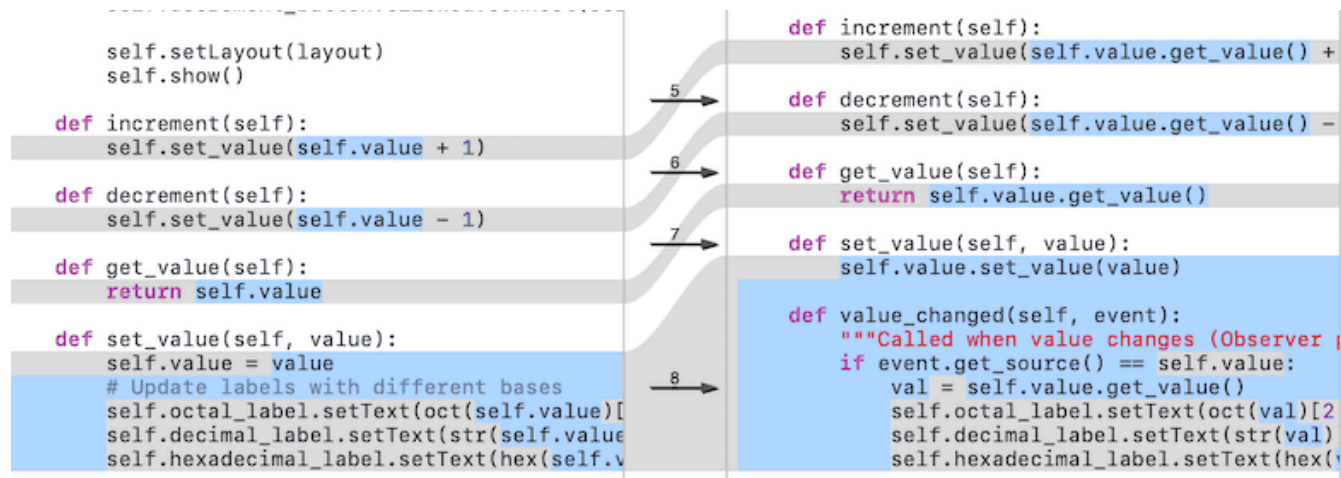
- The View has no responsibility about the Model.
- Instead, it becomes the listener of the value to display the updated value.

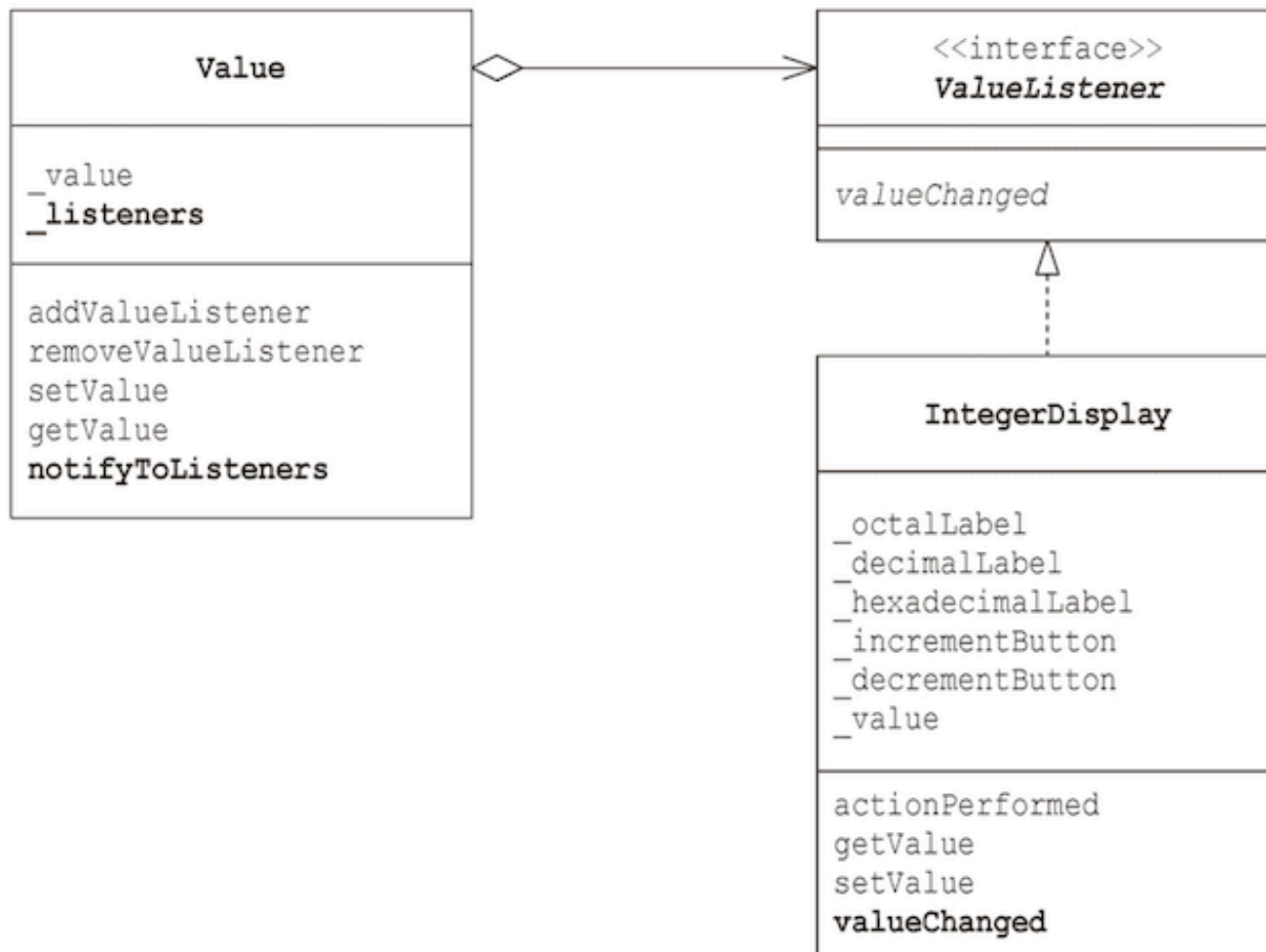
```
class IntegerDisplay(QWidget, ValueListener):  
    def __init__(self):  
        super().__init__()  
        self.value = Value(0)
```

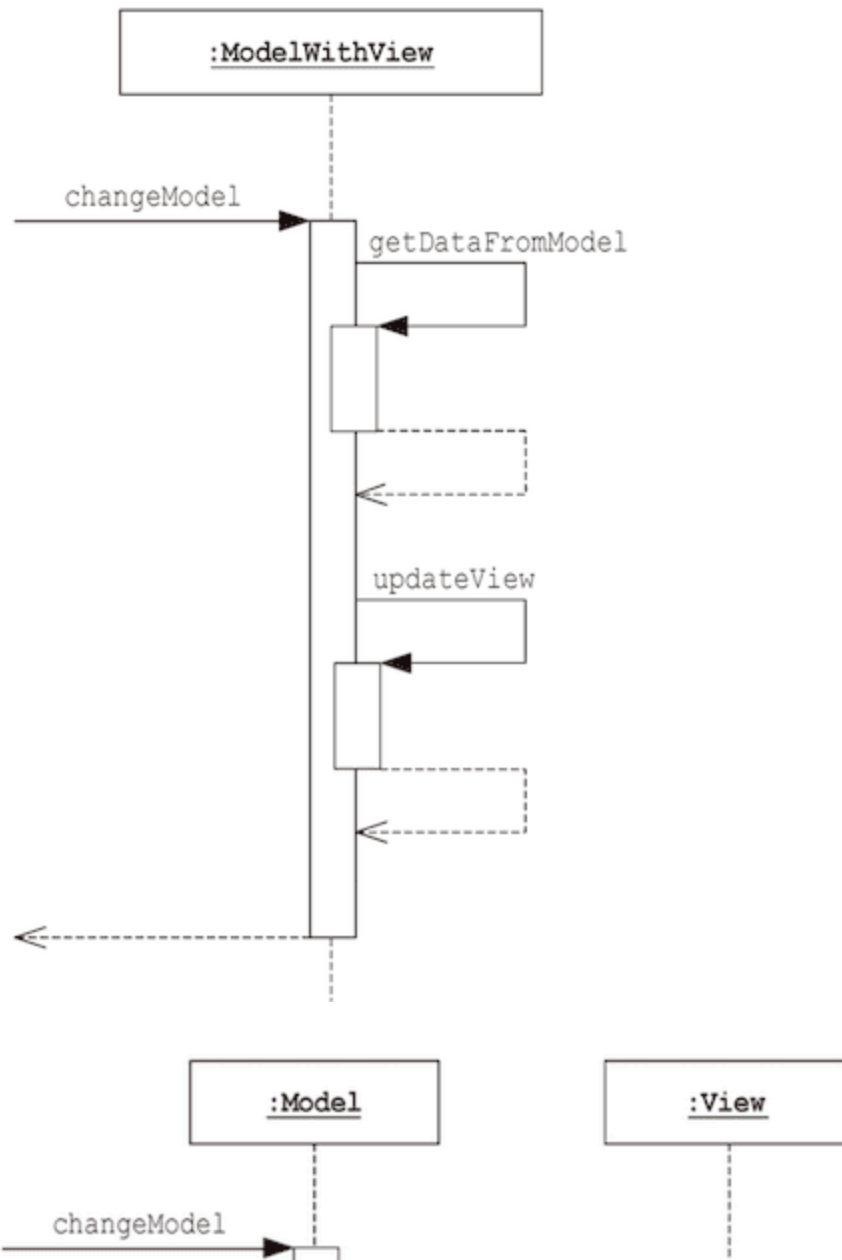
- Instead of direct access to the value, we use the value object.
- The View is a listener of the Model.

<pre> class IntegerDisplay(QWidget): def __init__(self): super().__init__() self.value = 0 # Create labels self.octal_label = QLabel("0") self.decimal_label = QLabel("0") self.hexadecimal_label = QLabel("0") # Create buttons self.increment_button = QPushButton("+") self.decrement_button = QPushButton("-") self.init_ui() def init_ui(self): # Set window title self.setWindowTitle("IntegerDisplay") </pre>	<div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">→ 2</div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">→ 3</div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">→ 4</div>	<pre> class IntegerDisplay(QWidget, ValueListener): def __init__(self): super().__init__() self.value = Value(0) # Create labels self.octal_label = QLabel("0") self.decimal_label = QLabel("0") self.hexadecimal_label = QLabel("0") # Create buttons self.increment_button = QPushButton("+") self.decrement_button = QPushButton("-") # Add this display as a listener self.value.add_value_listener(self) self.init_ui() def init_ui(self): </pre>
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- When the Model is changed, the `value_changed` method is invoked using the Observer design pattern.







Example: Adding the Graph Listener

With the refactored design, it is easy to extend the feature.

- In this example, we make the Graph application that displays the value in a different form.

Graph Listener

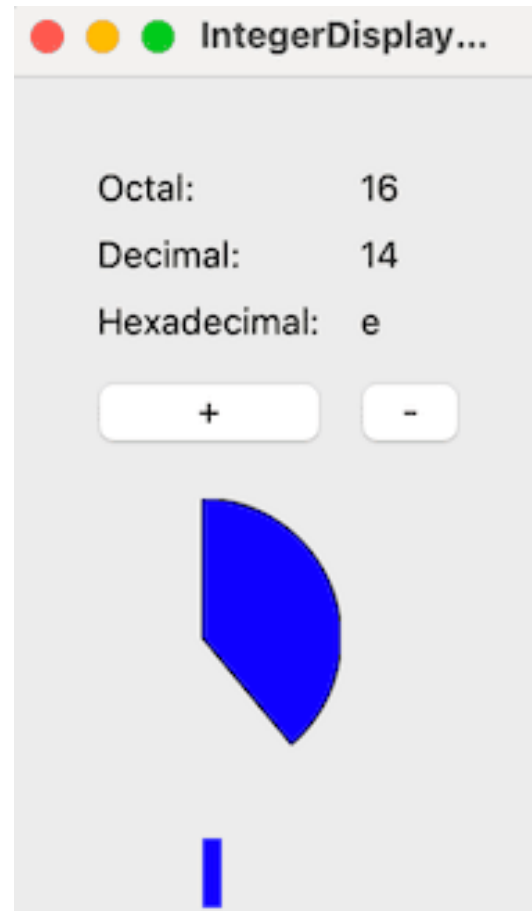
- We need to add the new view by subclassing the ValueListener.

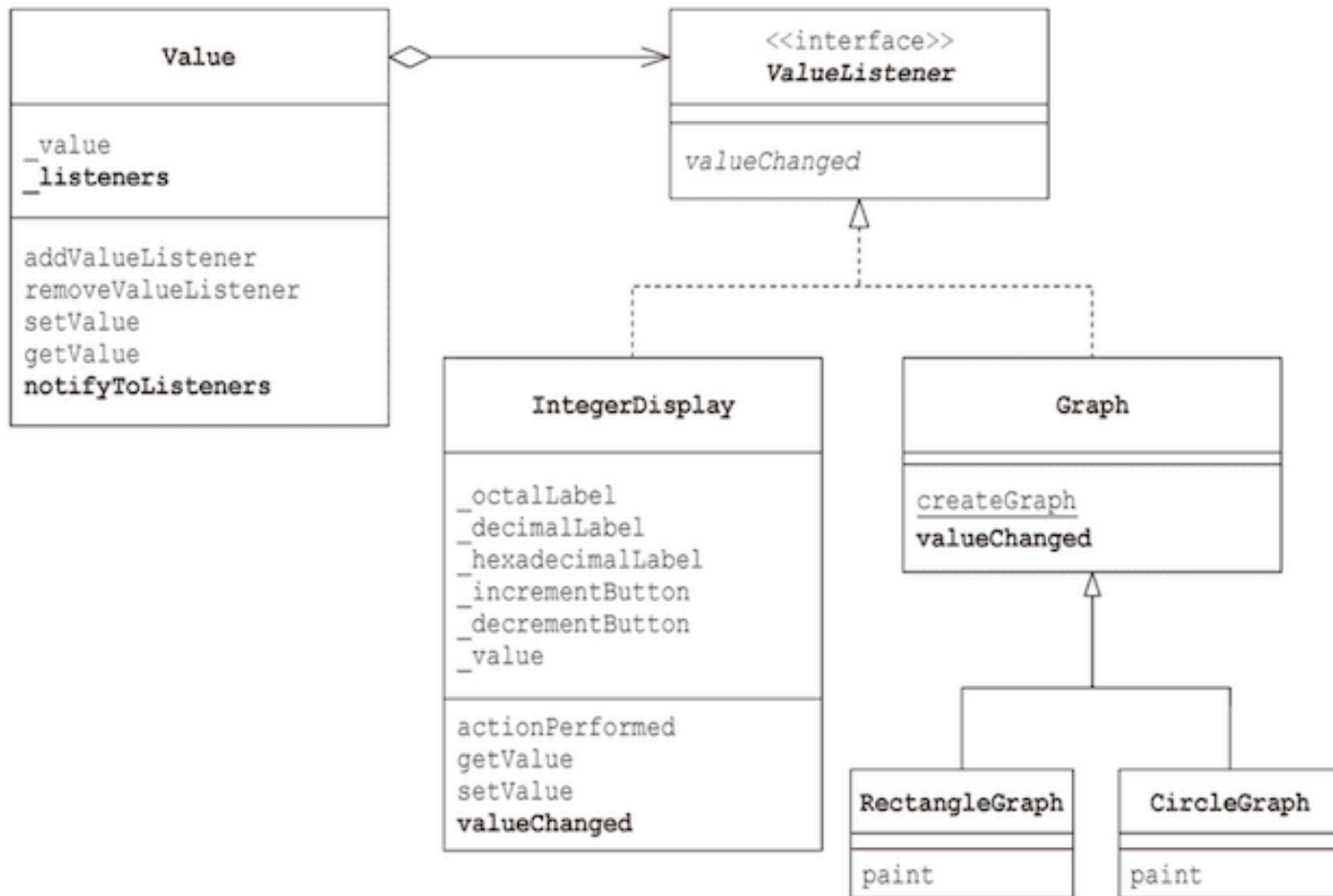
```
class Graph(QWidget, ValueListener):  
    """Base graph widget that visualizes values"""  
  
    RECTANGLE = 0  
    CIRCLE = 1  
  
    def __init__(self):  
        super().__init__()  
        self.graph_value = 0
```

- We add graph objects as the listeners.

```
# Create graphs
self.graph_circle =
    Graph.create_graph(Graph.CIRCLE, 100, 100)
self.graph_rectangle =
    Graph.create_graph(Graph.RECTANGLE, 100, 50)

# Add listeners to value
self.value.add_value_listener(self)
self.value.add_value_listener(self.graph_circle)
self.value.add_value_listener(self.graph_rectangle)
```





Discussion