

# Project Process

CS 420/520

# Don't plan ahead!

- Well, don't plan *too far* ahead
  - You don't yet know enough about your application to plan effectively
- ➡ Plan no more than 2 iterations ahead
- Deliver a working system on each iteration
  - Don't leave integration until the end

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- Design and Implement 2<sup>nd</sup> feature
- Design and implement GUI for 2<sup>nd</sup> feature
- “Deliver” and test 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> features

# Instead: Step $n$

- Design and Implement  $n^{\text{th}}$  feature
- Design and implement GUI for  $n^{\text{th}}$  feature
- “Deliver” and test 1<sup>st</sup> thru  $n^{\text{th}}$  features

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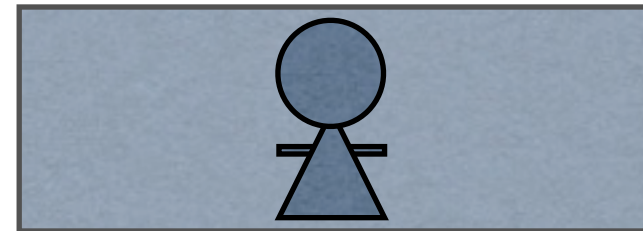
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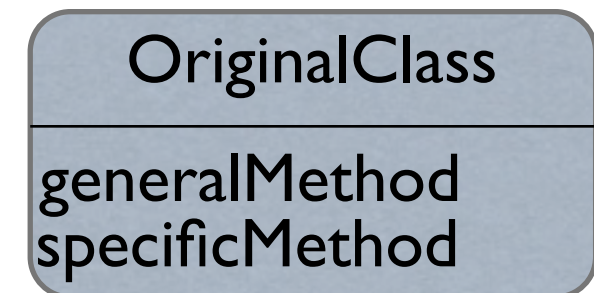
# Inheritance is Complex

- Don't try to design an inheritance hierarchy up front
- Add classes as you need them
  - When two objects that you thought were the same start to exhibit different behavior, *then*

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Person >> openDoor
  self isIntruder ifTrue: [ ... ].
  self isResident ifTrue: [ ... ].
  ...
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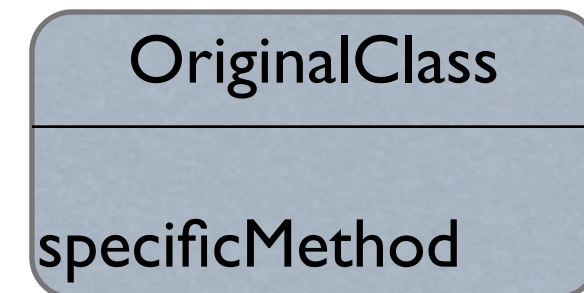
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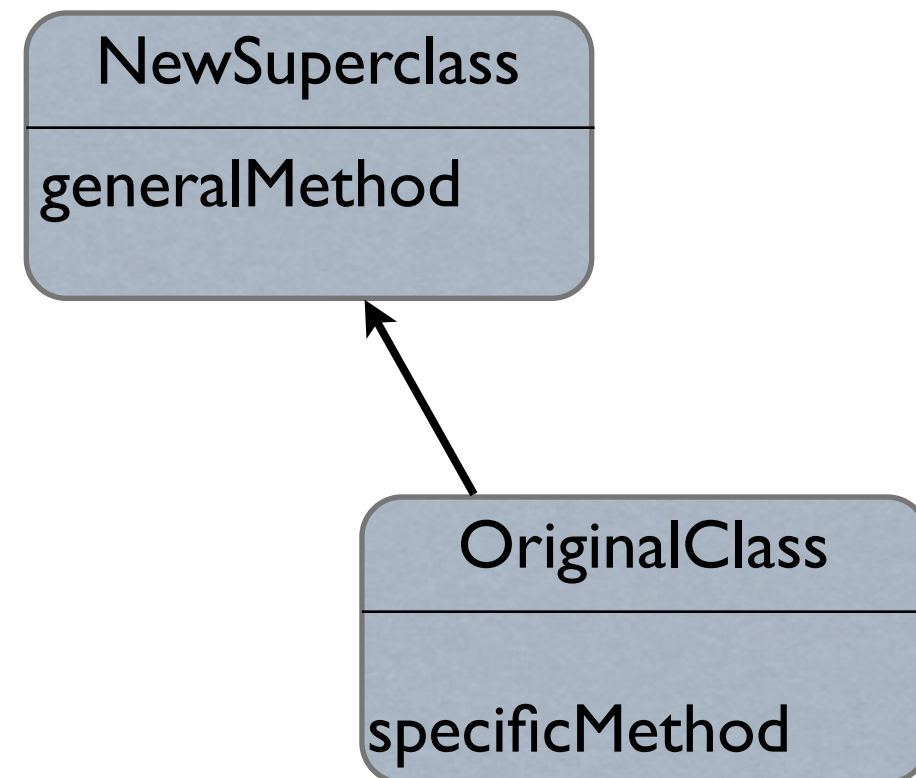
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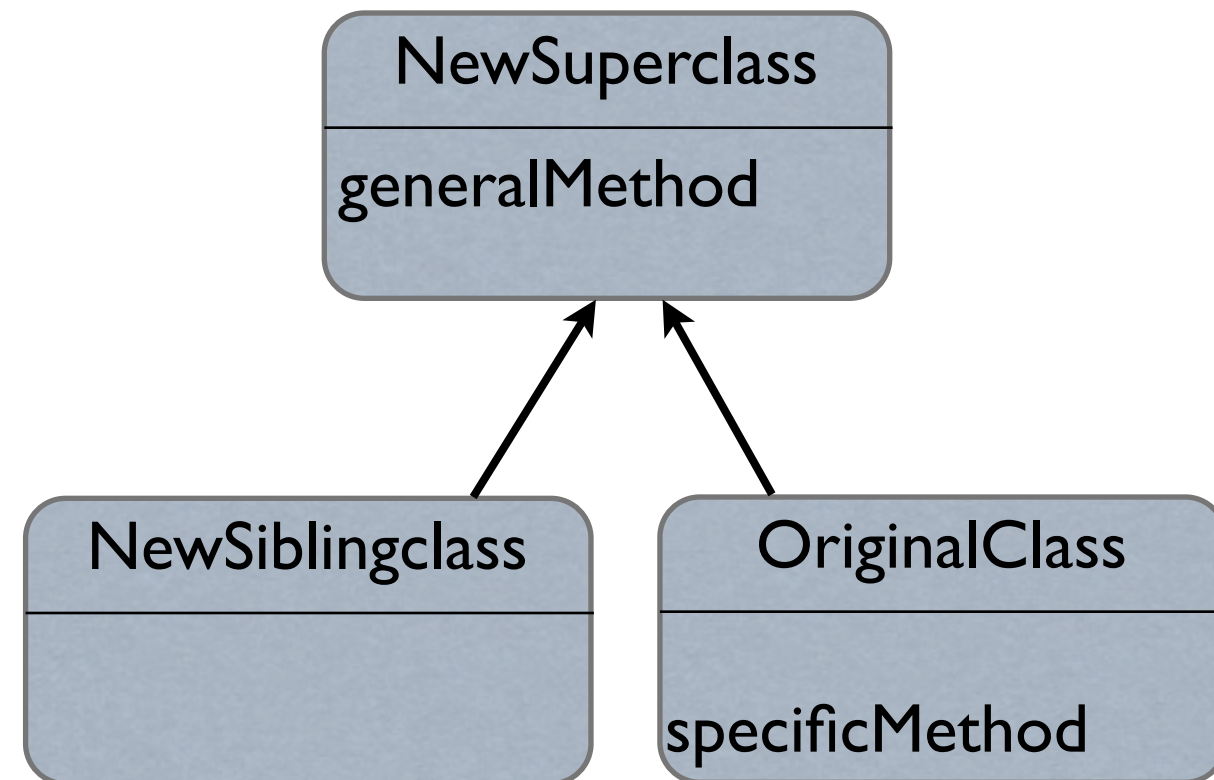
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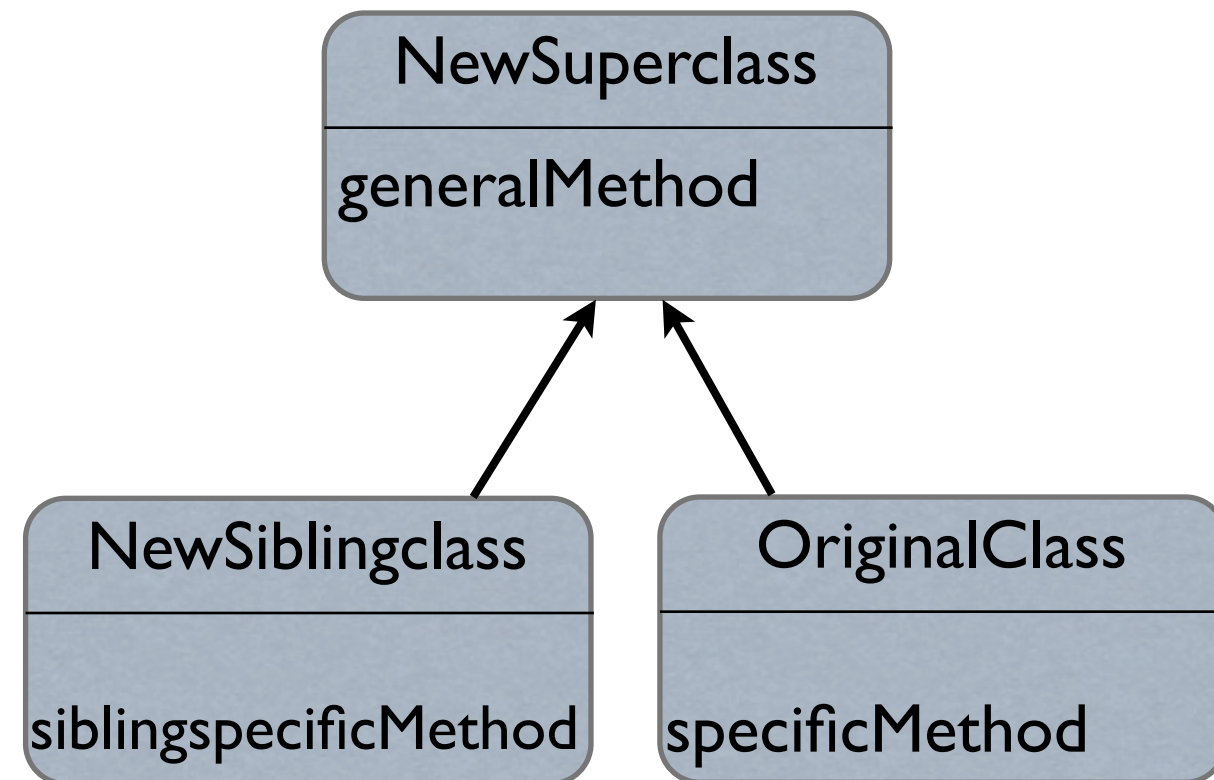
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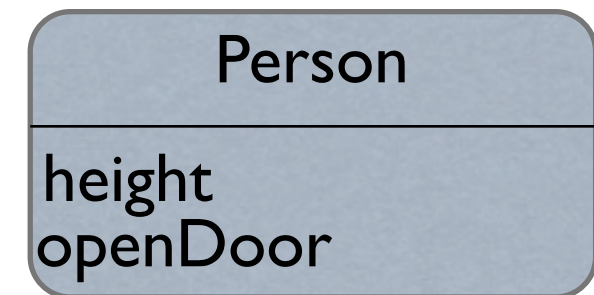
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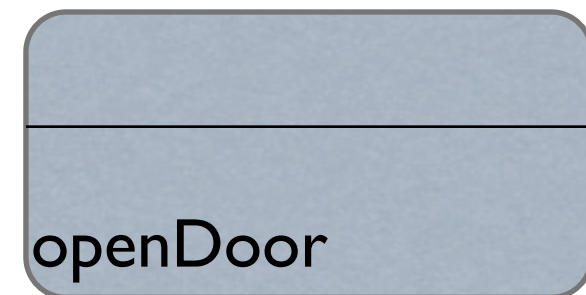
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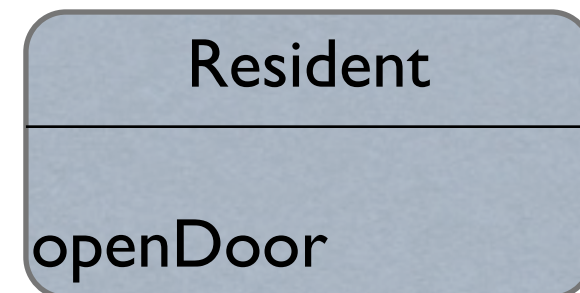
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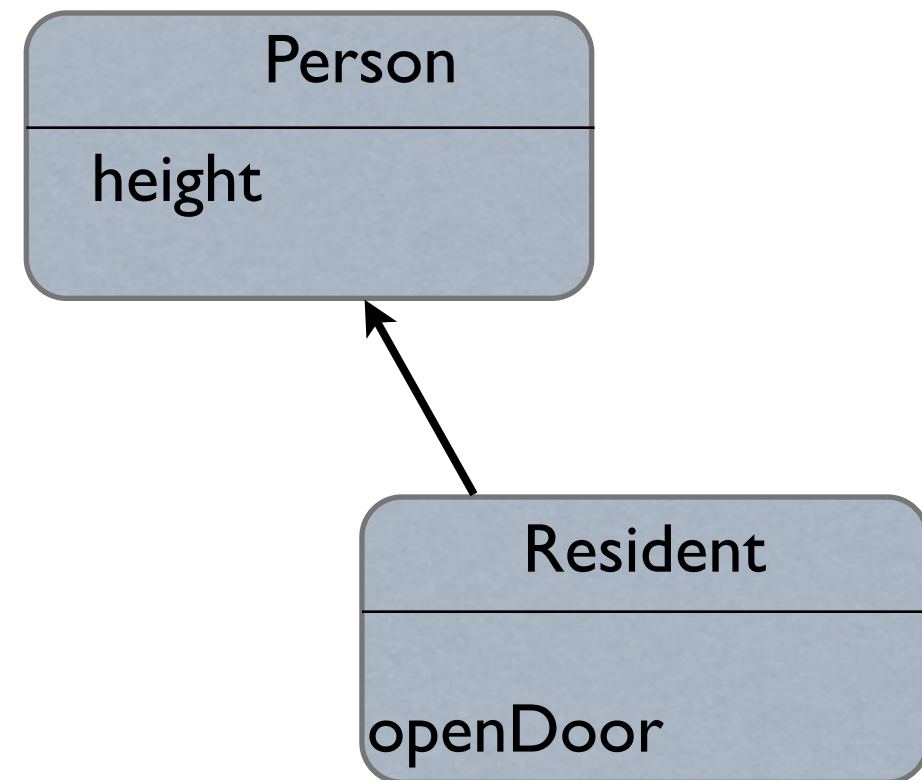
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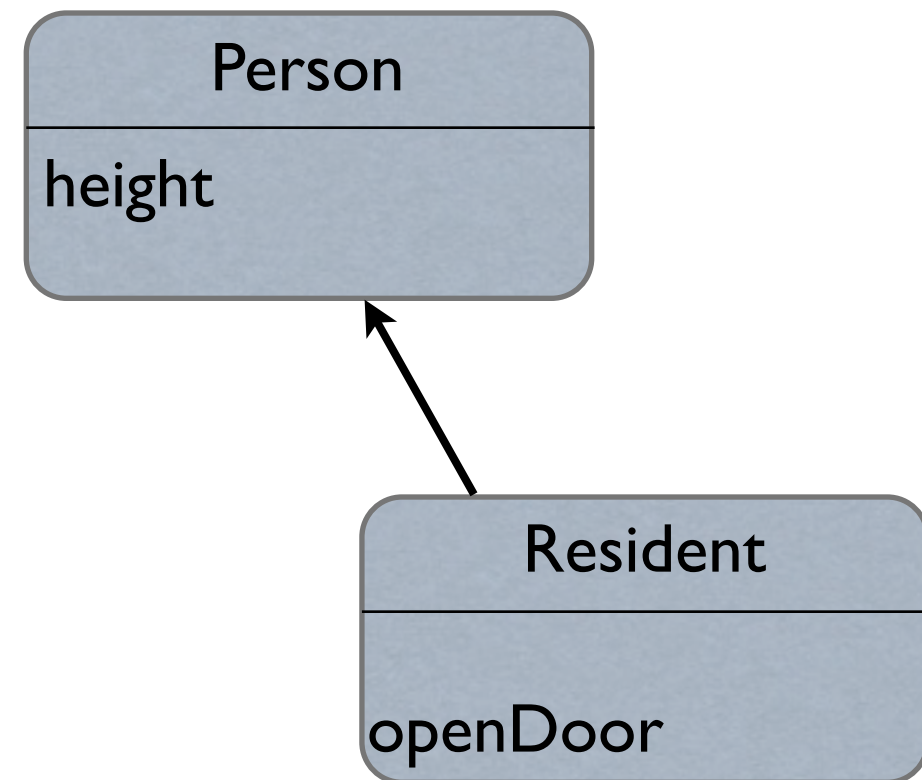
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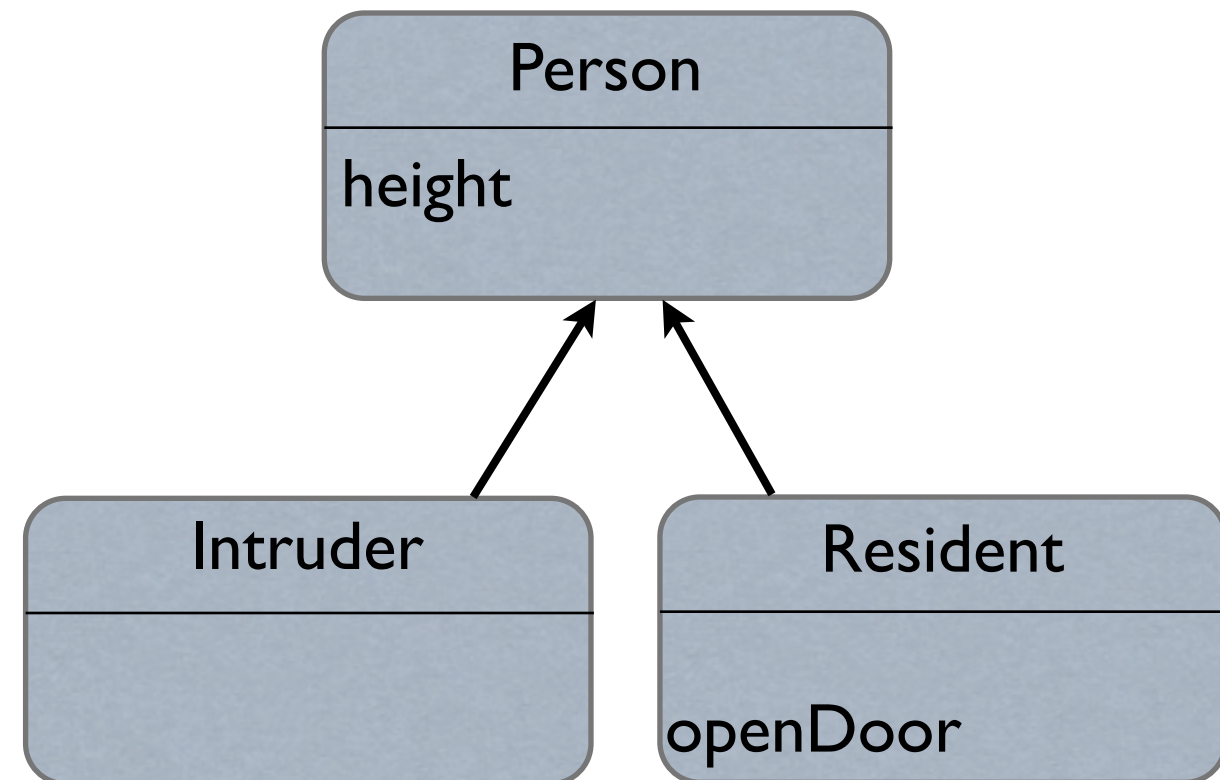
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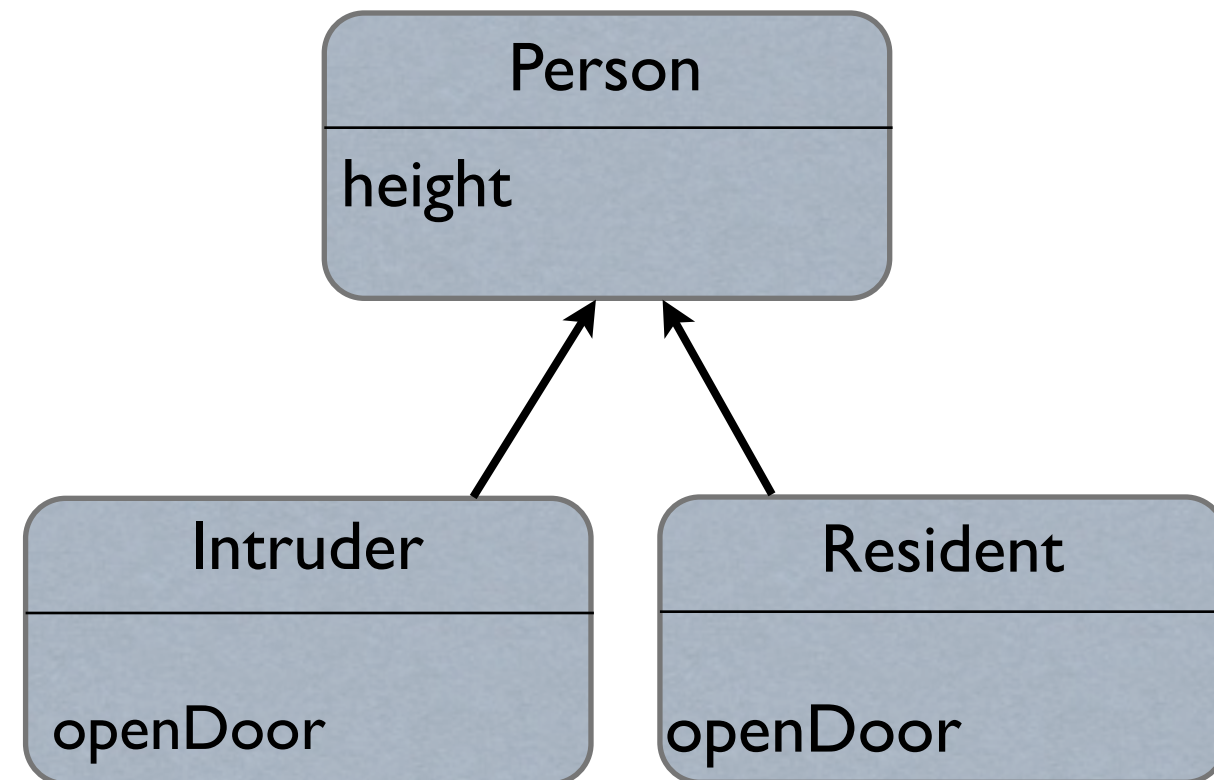
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# Object-Oriented GUIs

- In the beginning, there was Chaos
- And then, there was MVC
  - **M**odel
  - **V**iew
  - **C**ontroller

# Model–View–Controller

- The key idea is to separate the application logic — the **Model** — from
- The **View** — one or more visualizations of the model on the display, and
- The **Controller** — which handles user input on the view, and causes the model to change in response.

# Why MVC?

- Manage complexity
- Re-use models with different views
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# Warning: MVC $\neq$ MVC

- There used to be a package, in Squeak, called MVC.
  - It implemented MVC
  - It has been removed from Pharo
- Morphic is the only User-interface framework in Pharo

# Morphic

- Morphic is the name of Pharo's UI framework
  - **Morph** is also the name of the base (abstract) class that implements *Morphs*
- Morphs combine **View** and **Control**
- The **Model** can be a separate collection of objects, or the Morphs can be their own model.

# Model-View separation

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# Model-View separation

When should you separate Model and View?

- if the complexity is high
- if there is a chance for re-use



# Dancing Boxes

- `joeTheBox` is an example of a Morph with its own behavior
- behavior is very simple — no need to separate the graphical part from the behavioral part
- Hence, we gave Morphs application-specific behavior, such as `danceWith:`