## Softwaretechnik / Software-Engineering

## Lecture 12: Proto-OCL, Modularisation & Design Patterns

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#### Partial vs. Complete Object Diagrams

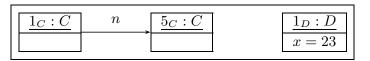
• By now we discussed "object diagram represents system state":

$$\begin{cases} 1_C \mapsto \{p \mapsto \emptyset, n \mapsto \{5_C\}\}, \\ 5_C \mapsto \{p \mapsto \emptyset, n \mapsto \emptyset\}, \\ 1_D \mapsto \{p \mapsto \{5_C\}, x \mapsto 23\}\} \end{cases}$$

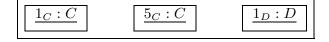


What about the other way round...?

• Object diagrams can be partial, e.g.



or



- $\rightarrow$  we may omit information.
- Is the following object diagram partial or complete?

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
\underline{1_C:C} & n \\
\hline
p = \emptyset & \\
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c}
\underline{5_C:C} \\
p = \emptyset \\
n = \emptyset & \\
\end{array}}
\xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c}
p \\
x = 23
\end{array}}$$

- If an object diagram
  - has values for all attributes of all objects in the diagram, and
  - if we say that it is meant to be complete

then we can **uniquely** reconstruct a system state  $\sigma$ .

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#### Special Case: Anonymous Objects

If the object diagram

is considered as **complete**, then it denotes the set of all system states

$$\{1_C \mapsto \{p \mapsto \emptyset, n \mapsto \{c\}\}\}, c \mapsto \{p \mapsto \emptyset, n \mapsto \emptyset\}, d \mapsto \{p \mapsto \{c\}, x \mapsto 23\}\}$$

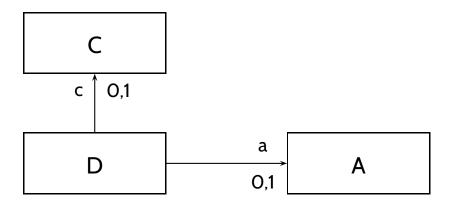
where  $c \in \mathcal{D}(C)$ ,  $d \in \mathcal{D}(D)$ ,  $c \neq 1_C$ .

**Intuition**: different boxes represent different objects.

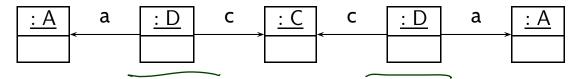
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#### **Motivation**



- How do I precisely, formally tell my developers that
   All D-instances having a link to the same C object should have links to the same A.
- That is, the following system state is forbidden in the software:



Note: formally, it is a proper system state.

Use (Proto-)OCL: "Dear developers, please only use system states which satisfy:"

$$\forall d_1 \in allInstances_{\mathfrak{G}} \bullet \forall d_2 \in allInstances_{\mathfrak{G}} \bullet c(d_1) = c(d_2) \implies a(d_1) = a(d_2)$$

### Constraints on System States

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• **Example**: for all C-instances, x should never have the value 27.

$$\forall c \in allInstances_C \bullet x(c) \neq 27$$

• Proto-OCL Syntax wrt. signature  $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C}, V, atr, F, mth)$ , c is a logical variable,  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ :

$$\begin{array}{lll} F ::= & c & : \tau_C & \text{(f.)} \\ & \mid & allInstances_C & : 2^{\tau_C} \\ & \mid & v(F) & : \tau_C \to \tau_\bot, & \text{if } v : \tau \in atr(C), \ \tau \in \mathbb{J} & \text{(f.)} \\ & \mid & v(F) & : \tau_C \to \tau_D, & \text{if } v : D_{0,1} \in atr(C) \\ & \mid & v(F) & : \tau_C \to 2^{\tau_D}, & \text{if } v : D_* \in atr(C) \\ & \mid & f(F_1, \dots, F_n) & : \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \to \tau, & \text{if } f : \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \to \tau \\ & \mid & \forall \, c \in F_1 \bullet F_2 & : \tau_C \times 2^{\tau_C} \times \mathbb{B}_\bot \to \mathbb{B}_\bot \end{array}$$

• The formula above in prefix normal form:  $\forall c \in allInstances_C \bullet \neq (x(c), 27)$ 

#### **Semantics**

#### Proto-OCL Types:

- $\mathcal{I}\llbracket\tau_C\rrbracket = \mathscr{D}(C) \dot{\cup} \{\bot\}, \quad \mathcal{I}\llbracket\tau_\bot\rrbracket = \mathscr{D}(\tau) \dot{\cup} \{\bot\}, \quad \mathcal{I}\llbracket2^{\tau_C}\rrbracket = \mathscr{D}(C_*) \dot{\cup} \{\bot\}$
- $\mathcal{I}[\mathbb{B}_{\perp}] = \{ true, false \} \dot{\cup} \{ \bot \}, \quad \mathcal{I}[\mathbb{Z}_{\perp}] = \mathbb{Z} \dot{\cup} \{ \bot \} \}$

#### **Functions:**

- We assume  $f_{\mathcal{T}}$  given for each function symbol  $f (\rightarrow \text{ in a minute})$ .
- **Proto-OCL Semantics** (interpretation function):
  - $\mathcal{I}[\![c]\!](\sigma,\beta) = \beta(c)$  (assuming  $\beta$  is a type-consistent valuation of the logical variables),

  - $\mathcal{I}[\![u]\![u]\![v]\![\sigma,\beta) = \underbrace{\dim(\sigma) \cap \mathcal{D}(C)}_{\downarrow\downarrow}$ ,

      $\mathcal{I}[\![v]\![v]\![\sigma,\beta) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \sigma (\mathcal{I}[\![F]\!](\sigma,\beta)) \rangle (v)}_{\downarrow\downarrow}, \text{ if } \mathcal{I}[\![F]\!](\sigma,\beta) \in \dim(\sigma) \\ \downarrow & \text{otherwise} \end{pmatrix}$ , otherwise

      $\mathcal{I}[\![v]\![v]\!](\sigma,\beta) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \sigma (\mathcal{I}[\![F]\!](\sigma,\beta)) \rangle (v)}_{\downarrow\downarrow}, \text{ if } \mathcal{I}[\![F]\!](\sigma,\beta) = \underbrace{\langle u' \rangle}_{\downarrow\downarrow} \subseteq \dim(\sigma) \end{pmatrix}}_{\downarrow\downarrow}, \text{ otherwise}$   $\mathcal{I}[\![v]\![v]\![v]\!](\sigma,\beta) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \sigma (\mathcal{I}[\![F]\!](\sigma,\beta)) \in \dim(\sigma) \\ \downarrow & \text{otherwise} \end{pmatrix}}_{\downarrow\downarrow}, \text{ otherwise}$ (if  $v: C_{0,1}$ )

  - $\mathcal{I}[f(F_1,\ldots,F_n)](\sigma,\beta) = f_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}[F_1](\sigma,\beta),\ldots,\mathcal{I}[F_n](\sigma,\beta)),$
  - $\bullet \ \ \mathcal{I}[\![\forall\,c\in F_1\bullet F_2]\!](\sigma,\beta) = \begin{cases} \textit{true} & \text{, if } \mathcal{I}[\![F_2]\!](\sigma,\beta[c:=u]) = \textit{true} \text{ for all } u\in\mathcal{I}[\![F_1]\!](\sigma,\beta) \\ \textit{false} & \text{, if } \mathcal{I}[\![F_2]\!](\sigma,\beta[c:=u]) = \textit{false} \text{ for some } u\in\mathcal{I}[\![F_1]\!](\sigma,\beta) \\ \bot & \text{, otherwise} \end{cases}$

#### Semantics Cont'd

- Proto-OCL is a **three-valued** logic: a formula evaluates to *true*, *false*, or  $\bot$ .
- Example:  $\land_{\mathcal{I}}(\cdot, \cdot): \{\textit{true}, \textit{false}, \bot\} \times \{\textit{true}, \textit{false}, \bot\} \rightarrow \{\textit{true}, \textit{false}, \bot\} \text{ is defined as follows:}$

$x_1$	true	true	true	false	false	false	上	上	上
$x_2$	true	false	上	true	false		true	false	1
$\wedge_{\mathcal{I}}(x_1,x_2)$	true	false	Т.	false	false	false	上	false	$\perp$

We assume common logical connectives  $\neg, \land, \lor, \ldots$  with canonical 3-valued interpretation.

• Example:  $+_{\mathcal{I}}(\cdot, \cdot) : (\mathbb{Z} \dot{\cup} \{\bot\}) \times (\mathbb{Z} \dot{\cup} \{\bot\}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \dot{\cup} \{\bot\}$ 

$$+_{\mathcal{I}}(x_1,x_2) = egin{cases} x_1 + x_2 & \text{, if } x_1 
eq \bot & \text{and } x_2 
eq \bot \\ \bot & \text{, otherwise} \end{cases}$$

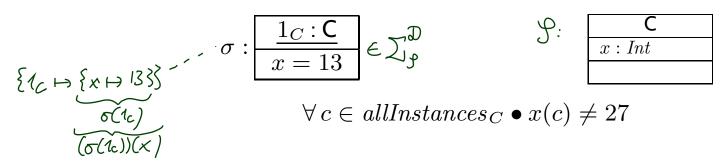
We assume common arithmetic operations -,/,\*,... and relation symbols  $>,<,\leq,...$  with monotone 3-valued interpretation.

• And we assume the special unary function symbol is Undefined:

$$isUndefined_{\mathcal{I}}(x) = egin{cases} \mathit{true} & \textit{, if } x = \bot, \\ \mathit{false} & \textit{, otherwise} \end{cases}$$

 $is Undefined_{\mathcal{I}}$  is **definite**: it never yields  $\perp$ .

## Example: Evaluate Formula for System State



- Recall prefix notation:  $\forall c \in allInstances_C \bullet \neq (x(c), 27)$ Note:  $\neq$  is a binary function symbol, 27 is a 0-ary function symbol.
- Example:

$$\mathcal{I}[\![\forall\,c\in allInstances_{C}\bullet\neq(x(c),27)]\!](\sigma,\emptyset)=\textit{true}, \text{ because}...$$

$$\mathcal{I}[\![\neq(x(c),27)]\!](\sigma,\beta), \quad \underline{\beta}:=\underline{\emptyset[c:=1_{C}]}=\{c\mapsto 1_{C}\}$$

$$=\neq_{\mathcal{I}}(\underline{\mathcal{I}[\![x(c)]\!](\sigma,\beta)},\underline{\mathcal{I}[\![27]\!](\sigma,\beta)})$$

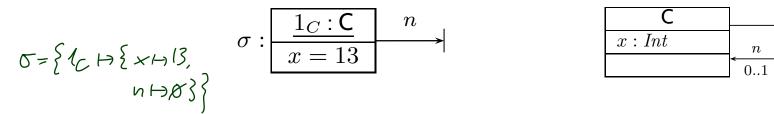
$$=\neq_{\mathcal{I}}((\sigma(\underline{\mathcal{I}[\![c]\!](\sigma,\beta)})(x),27_{\mathcal{I}})$$

$$=\neq_{\mathcal{I}}(\sigma(\beta(c))(x),27_{\mathcal{I}})$$

$$=\neq_{\mathcal{I}}(\sigma(1_{C})(x),27_{\mathcal{I}})$$

$$=\neq_{\mathcal{I}}(13,27)=\textit{true} \qquad ... \text{ and } 1_{C} \text{ is the only $C$-object in $\sigma$: $\mathcal{I}[\![allInstances_{C}]\!](\sigma,\emptyset)=\{1_{C}\}.$$

#### More Interesting Example



 $\forall c : allInstances_C \bullet x(n(c)) \neq 27$ 

Similar to the previous slide, we need the value of

$$\mathcal{I}[\![x(n(c))]\!](\sigma,\beta),\beta = \{c \mapsto 1_C\}$$

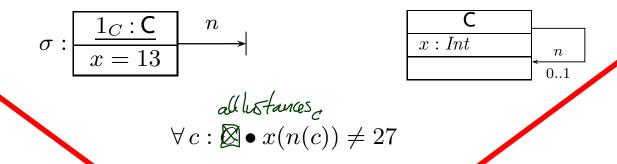
- $\mathcal{I}[\![c]\!](\sigma,\beta) = \beta(c) = 1_C$
- $\mathcal{I}[n(c)](\sigma,\beta) = \bot$  since  $\sigma(\mathcal{I}[c](\sigma,\beta))(n) = \emptyset \neq \{u'\}$  by rule

$$\mathcal{I}\llbracket v(F) \rrbracket (\sigma,\beta) = \begin{cases} u' & \text{, if } \mathcal{I}\llbracket F \rrbracket (\sigma,\beta) \in \operatorname{dom}(\sigma) \text{ and } \sigma (\mathcal{I}\llbracket F \rrbracket (\sigma,\beta))(v) = \{u'\} \\ \bot & \text{, otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ (if } v:C_{0,1}\text{)}$$

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$$\sigma \left( \sigma \left( \mathcal{I}[c](\sigma,\beta) \right) (n) \right) (x)$$

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- $\sigma(\mathcal{I}[\![c]\!](\sigma,\beta))(n) = \sigma(1_C)(n) = \emptyset$
- $\sigma (\sigma(\mathcal{I}[c](\sigma,\beta))(n))(x) = \bot$

by the following rule:

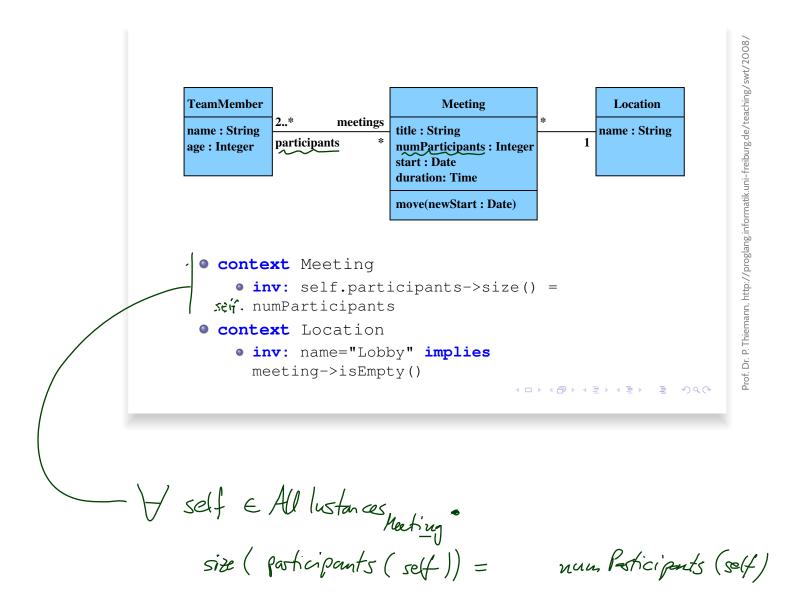
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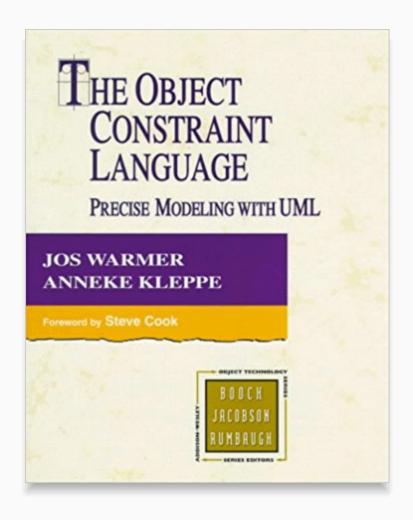
## Object Constraint Language (OCL)

OCL is the same – just with less readable (?) syntax.

Literature: (OMG, 2006; Warmer and Kleppe, 1999).

## Examples (from lecture "Softwaretechnik 2008")





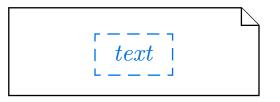
Date: May 2006 Object Constraint Language OMG Available Specification Version 2.0 formal/06-05-01 OBJECT MANAGEMENT GROUP

#### Where To Put OCL Constraints?

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Notes: A UML note is a diagram element of the form

Type:  $d: D_*$ Constraint:
forall c in AllInstances\_C .
size( d(c) ) = 3 or
size( d(c) ) >= 17
and size( d(c) ) <= 21

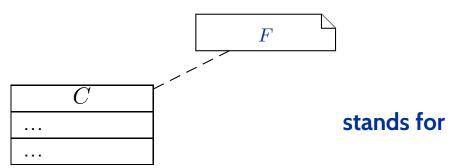


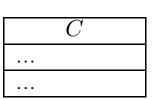
text can principally be everything, in particular comments and constraints.

Sometimes, content is explicitly classified for clarity:

OCL:

Conventions:





 $\forall self \in allInstances_C \bullet F$ 

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## Putting It All Together

## Modelling Structure with Class Diagrams

**Definition.** Software is a finite description S of a (possibly infinite) set [S] of (finite or infinite) computation paths of the form  $\sigma_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \sigma_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \sigma_2 \cdots$  where

- $\sigma_i \in \Sigma$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , is called state (or configuration), and
- $\alpha_i \in A$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , is called action (or event).

The (possibly partial) function  $[\![\cdot]\!]:S\mapsto [\![S]\!]$  is called interpretation of S.

• The set of states  $\Sigma$  could be the set of system states as defined by a class diagram, e.g.

$$\Sigma := \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}^{\mathscr{D}}$$

$$\mathscr{S}: \frac{\mathsf{C}}{x:\mathit{Int}}$$

ullet A corresponding computation path of a software S could be

If a requirement is formalised by the Proto-OCL constraint

$$F = \forall c \in allInstances_C \bullet x(c) < 4$$

then S does not satisfy the requirement.

## More General: Software vs. Proto-OCL

- Let  $\mathscr S$  be an object system signature and  $\mathscr D$  a structure.
- Let S be a software with
  - states  $\Sigma \subseteq \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}^{\mathscr{D}}$ , and
  - computation paths [S].
- Let F be a Proto-OCL constraint over  $\mathscr{S}$ .
- We say [S] satisfies F, denoted by  $[S] \models F$ , if and only if for all

$$\sigma_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \sigma_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \sigma_2 \dots \in \llbracket S \rrbracket$$

and all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,

$$\mathcal{I}\llbracket F \rrbracket (\sigma_i, \emptyset) = \mathsf{true}.$$

- We say  $\llbracket S \rrbracket$  does not satisfy F, denoted by  $\llbracket S \rrbracket \not\models F$ , if and only if there exists  $\sigma_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \sigma_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \sigma_2 \cdots \in \llbracket S \rrbracket$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , such that  $\mathcal{I}\llbracket F \rrbracket (\sigma_i, \emptyset) = \textit{false}$ .
- Note:  $\neg(\llbracket S \rrbracket \not\models F)$  does not imply  $\llbracket S \rrbracket \models F$ .

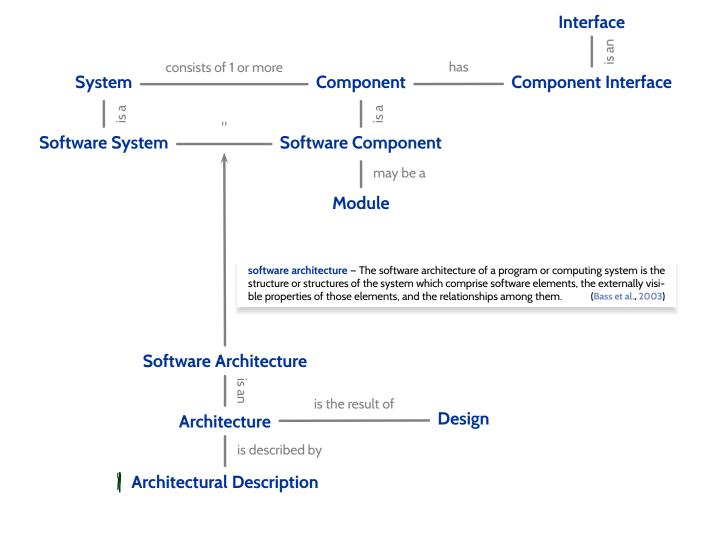
#### Tell Them What You've Told Them...

- Class Diagrams can be used to graphically
  - visualise code,
  - define an object system structure  $\mathcal{S}$ .
- An Object System Structure  $\mathscr{S}$  (together with a structure  $\mathscr{D}$ )
  - defines a set of system states  $\Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}^{\mathscr{D}}$ .
- A System State  $\sigma \in \Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}^{\mathscr{D}}$ 
  - can be visualised by an object diagram.
- Proto-OCL constraints can be evaluated on system states.
- A **software** over  $\Sigma_{\mathscr{S}}^{\mathscr{D}}$  satisfies a Proto-OCL constraint F if and only if F evaluates to *true* in all system states of all the software's computation paths.

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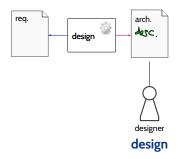
## Goals and Relevance of Design

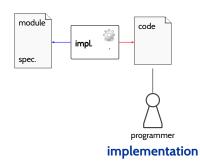
- The structure of something is the set of relations between its parts.
- Something not built from (recognisable) parts is called unstructured.

#### **Design**...

- (i) **structures** a system into **manageable** units (yields software architecture),
- (ii) determines the approach for realising the required software,
- (iii) provides hierarchical structuring into a manageable number of units at each hierarchy level.

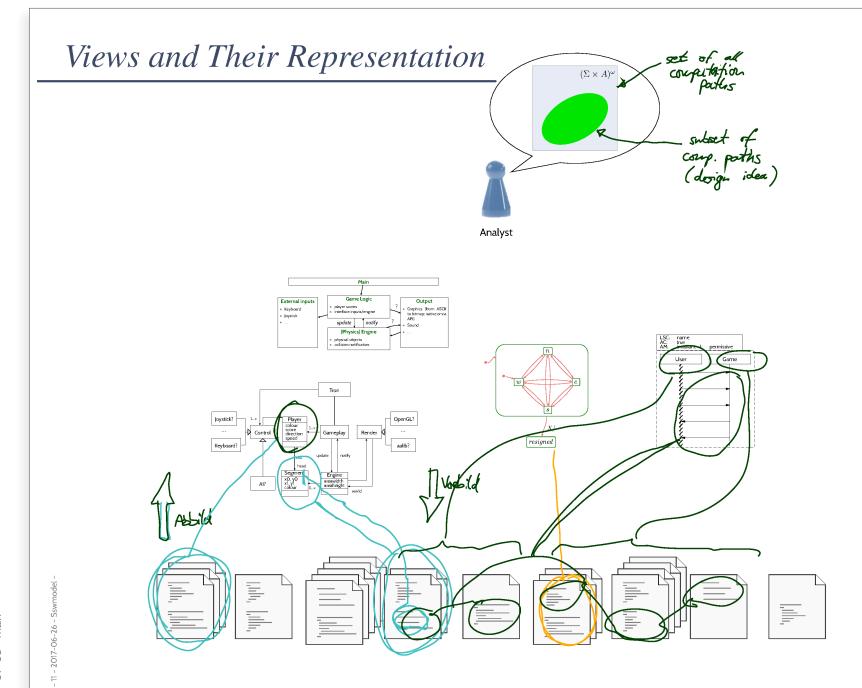
#### Oversimplified process model "Design":





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## Principles of (Architectural) Design

#### Overview

#### 1.) Modularisation

- split software into units / components of manageable size
- provide well-defined interface

#### 2.) Separation of Concerns

- each component should be responsible for a particular area of tasks
- group data and operation on that data; functional aspects; functional vs. technical; functionality and interaction

#### 3.) Information Hiding

- the "need to know principle" / information hiding
- users (e.g. other developers) need not necessarily know the algorithm and helper data which realise the component's interface

#### 4.) Data Encapsulation

- offer operations to access component data, instead of accessing data (variables, files, etc.) directly
- → many programming languages and systems offer means to enforce (some of) these principles technically; use these means.

modularity – The degree to which a system or computer program is composed of discrete components such that a change to one component has minimal impact on other components.

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- So, modularity is a property of an architecture.
- Goals of modular decomposition:
  - The structure of each module should be simple and easily comprehensible.
  - The implementation of a module should be exchangeable; information on the implementation of other modules should not be necessary. The other modules should not be affected by implementation exchanges.
  - Modules should be designed such that expected changes do not require modifications of the module interface.
  - Bigger changes should be the result of a set of minor changes.
     As long as the interface does not change,
     it should be possible to test old and new versions of a module together.

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## 2.) Separation of Concerns

- Separation of concerns is a fundamental principle in software engineering:
  - each component should be responsible for a particular area of tasks,
  - components which try to cover different task areas tend to be unnecessarily complex, thus hard to understand and maintain.
- Criteria for separation/grouping:
  - in object oriented design, data and operations on that data are grouped into classes,
  - sometimes, functional aspects (features) like printing are realised as separate components,
  - separate functional and technical components,

**Example**: logical flow of (logical) messages in a communication protocol (functional) vs. exchange of (physical) messages using a certain technology (technical).

- assign flexible or variable functionality to own components.
   Example: different networking technology (wireless, etc.)
- assign functionality which is expected to need extensions or changes later to own components.
- separate system functionality and interaction

**Example**: most prominently graphical user interfaces (GUI), also file input/output

## 3.) Information Hiding

- By now, we only discussed the grouping of data and operations.
   One should also consider accessibility.
- The "need to know principle" is called information hiding in SW engineering. (Parnas, 1972)

information hiding – A software development technique in which each module's interfaces reveal as little as possible about the module's inner workings, and other modules are prevented from using information about the module that is not in the module's interface specification.

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• Note: what is hidden is information which other components need not know (e.g., how data is stored and accessed, how operations are implemented).

**In other words: information hiding** is about **making explicit** for one component which data or operations other components may use of this component.

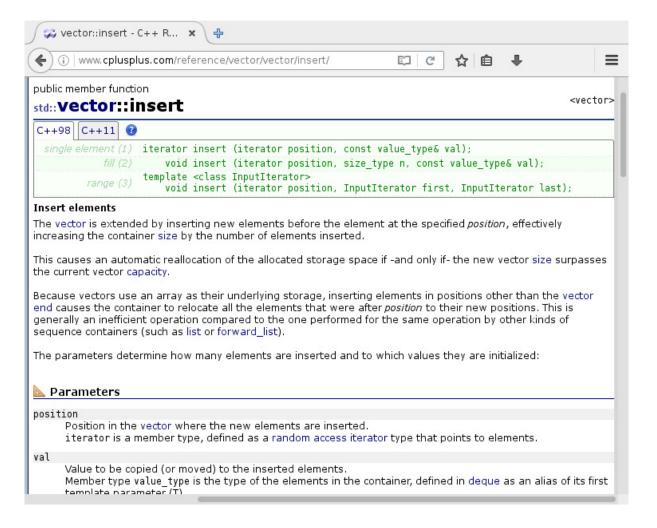
- Advantages / goals:
  - Hidden solutions may be changed without other components noticing, as long as the visible behaviour stays the same (e.g. the employed sorting algorithm).
     IOW: other components cannot (unintentionally) depend on details they are not supposed to.
  - Components can be verified / validated in isolation.

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#### 4.) Data Encapsulation

- Similar direction: data encapsulation (examples later).
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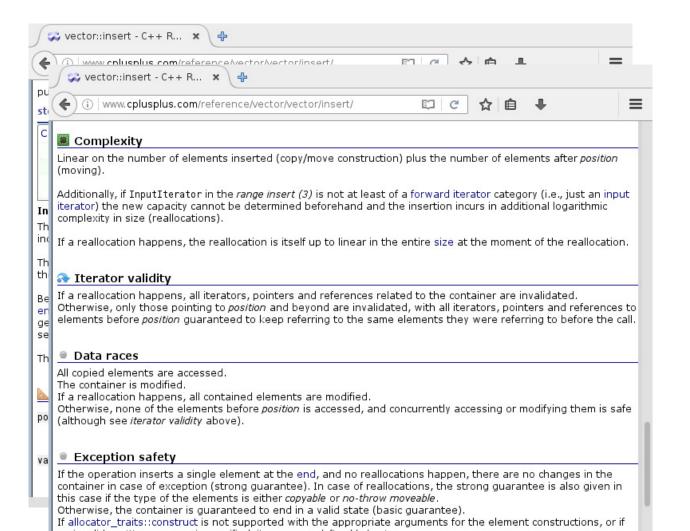
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  - Do not access data (variables, files, etc.) directly where needed, but encapsulate the data in a component which offers operations to access (read, write, etc.) the data.
    - Real-World Example: Users do not write to bank accounts directly, only bank clerks do.
- Information hiding and data encapsulation when enforced technically (examples later) –
  usually come at the price of worse efficiency.
  - It is more efficient to read a component's data directly than calling an operation to provide the value: there is an overhead of one operation call.
  - Knowing how a component works internally may enable more efficient operation.
    - **Example**: if a sequence of data items is stored as a singly-linked list, accessing the data items in list-order may be more efficient than accessing them in reverse order by position.
    - Good modules give usage hints in their documentation (e.g. C++ standard library).

**Example**: if an implementation stores intermediate results at a certain place, it may be tempting to "quickly" read that place when the intermediate results is needed in a different context.

→ maintenance nightmare – If the result is needed in another context, add a corresponding operation explicitly to the interface.

Yet with today's hardware and programming languages, this is hardly an issue any more; at the time of (Parnas, 1972), it clearly was.

## A Classification of Modules (Nagl, 1990)

#### functional modules

- group computations which belong together logically,
- do not have "memory" or state, that is, behaviour of offered functionality does not depend on prior program evolution,
- Examples: mathematical functions, transformations

#### data object modules

- realise encapsulation of data,
- a data module hides kind and structure of data, interface offers operations to manipulate encapsulated data
- Examples: modules encapsulating global configuration data, databases

#### data type modules

- implement a user-defined data type in form of an abstract data type (ADT)
- allows to create and use as many exemplars of the data type
- Example: game object
- In an object-oriented design,
  - classes are data type modules,
  - data object modules correspond to classes offering only class methods or singletons ( $\rightarrow$  later),
  - functional modules occur seldom, one example is Java's class Math.

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### Architecture Patterns

### Introduction

- Over decades of software engineering, many clever, proved and tested designs of solutions for particular problems emerged.
- Question: can we generalise, document and re-use these designs?
- Goals:
  - "don't re-invent the wheel".
  - benefit from "clever", from "proven and tested", and from "solution".

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- Using an architectural pattern
  - implies certain characteristics or properties of the software (construction, extendibility, communication, dependencies, etc.),
  - **determines** structures on a high level of the architecture, thus is typically a central and fundamental design decision.
- The information that (where, how, ...) a well-known architecture / design pattern
  is used in a given software can
  - make comprehension and maintenance significantly easier,
  - avoid errors.

# Layered Architectures

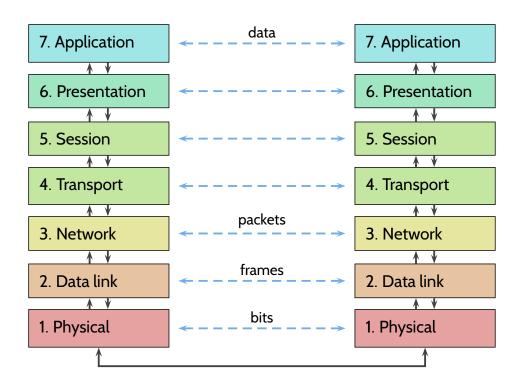
# Example: Layered Architectures

#### (Züllighoven, 2005):

A layer whose components only interact with components of their direct neighbour layers is called protocol-based layer.

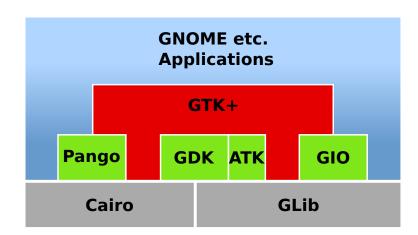
A protocol-based layer hides all layers beneath it and defines a protocol which is (only) used by the layers directly above.

Example: The ISO/OSI reference model.



## Example: Layered Architectures Cont'd

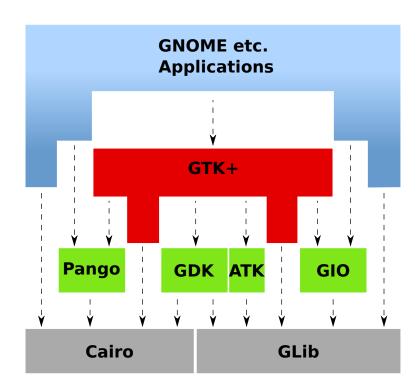
- Object-oriented layer: interacts with layers directly (and possibly further) above and below.
- Rules: the components of a layer may use
  - only components of the protocol-based layer directly beneath, or
  - all components of layers further beneath.





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## Example: Three-Tier Architecture

#### presentation layer (or tier):

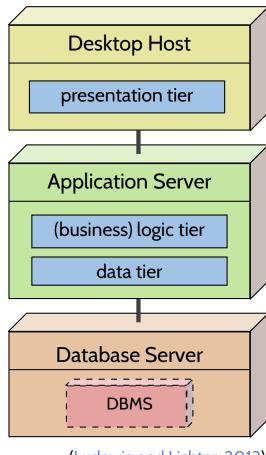
user interface; presents information obtained from the logic layer to the user, controls interaction with the user, i.e. requests actions at the logic layer according to user inputs.

#### logic layer:

core system functionality; layer is designed without information about the presentation layer, may only read/write data according to data layer interface.

#### data layer:

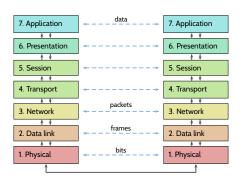
persistent data storage; hides information about how data is organised, read, and written, offers particular chunks of information in a form useful for the logic layer.

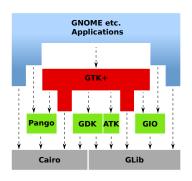


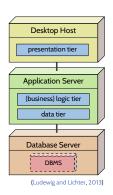
(Ludewig and Lichter, 2013)

• Examples: Web-shop, business software (enterprise resource planning), etc.

### Layered Architectures: Discussion







### Advantages:

- protocol-based:
   only neighouring layers are coupled, i.e. components of these layers interact,
- coupling is low, data usually encapsulated,
- changes have local effect (only neighbouring layers affected),
- protocol-based: distributed implementation often easy.

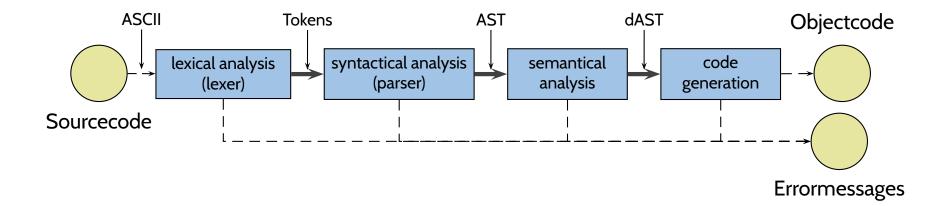
### Disadvantages:

• performance (as usual) – nowadays often not a problem.

# Pipe-Filter

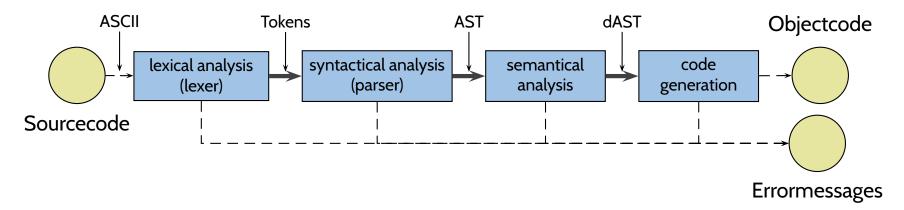
## Example: Pipe-Filter

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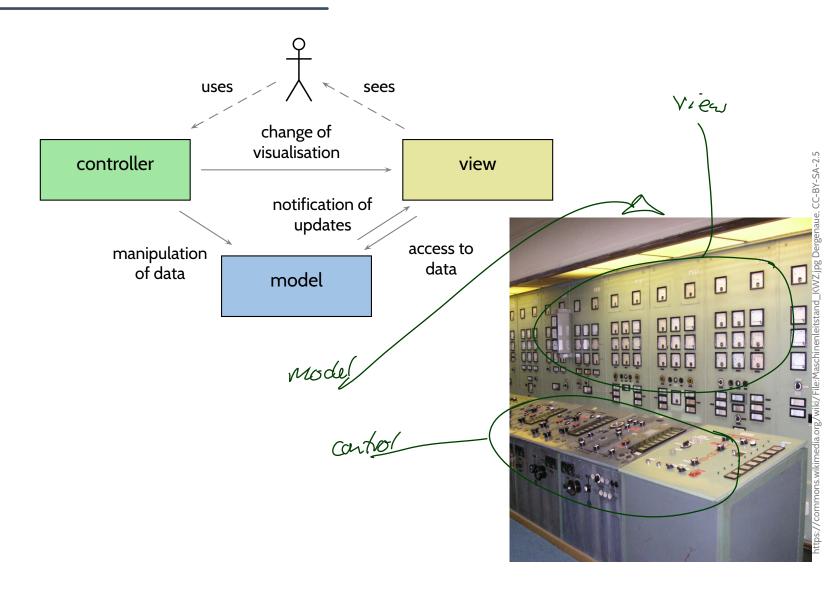
### **Example: UNIX Pipes**

### Disadvantages:

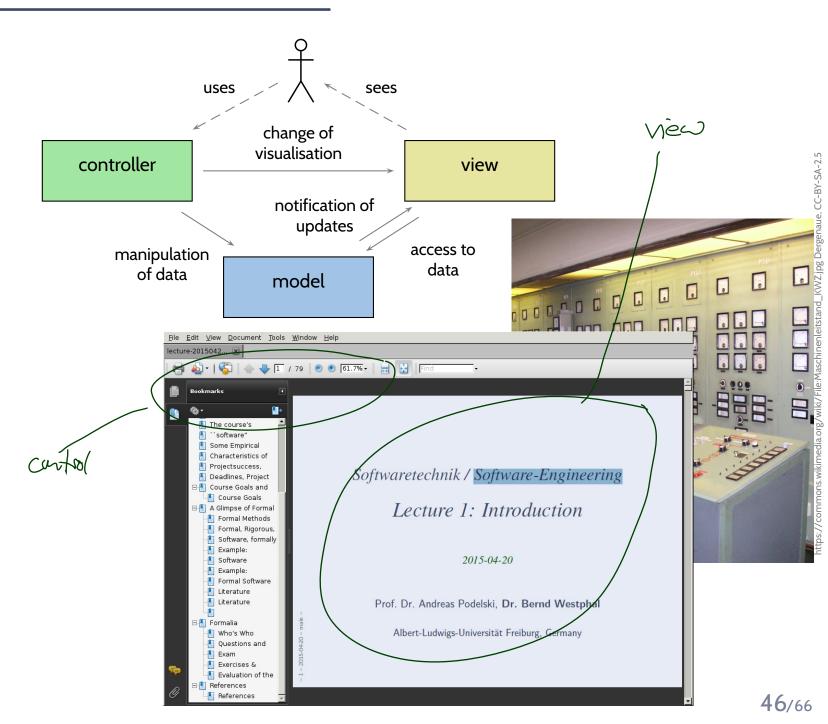
- if the filters use a common data exchange format, all filters may need changes if the format is changed, or need to employ (costly) conversions.
- filters do not use global data, in particular not to handle error conditions.

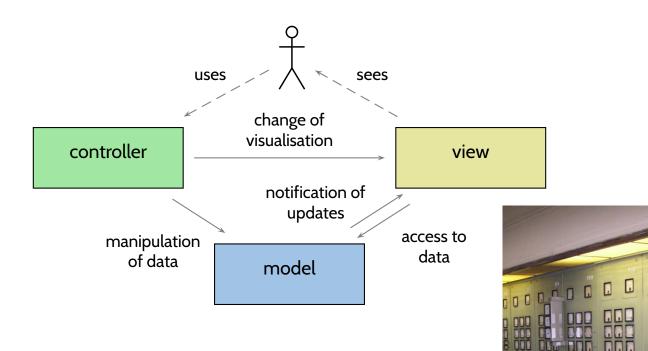
### Model-View-Controller

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#### **Advantages**:

- one model can serve multiple view/controller pairs;
- view/controller pairs can be added and removed at runtime:
- model visualisation always up-to-date in all views;
- distributed implementation (more or less) easily.

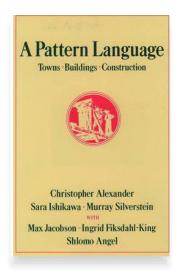
#### **Disadvantages**:

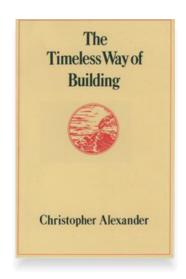
• if the view needs a lot of data, updating the view can be inefficient.

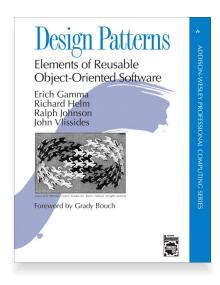


### Design Patterns

- In a sense the same as architectural patterns, but on a lower scale.
- Often traced back to (Alexander et al., 1977; Alexander, 1979).







**Design patterns** ... are descriptions of communicating objects and classes that are customized to solve a general design problem in a particular context.

A design pattern names, abstracts, and identifies the key aspects of a common design structure that make it useful for creating a reusable object-oriented design.

(Gamma et al., 1995)

### Tell Them What You've Told Them...

- Architecture & Design Patterns
  - allow re-use of practice-proven designs,
  - promise easier comprehension and maintenance.
- Notable Architecture Patterns
  - Layered Architecture,
  - Pipe-Filter,
  - Model-View-Controller.
- Design Patterns: read (Gamma et al., 1995)
- Rule-of-thumb:
  - library modules are called from user-code,
  - framework modules call user-code.

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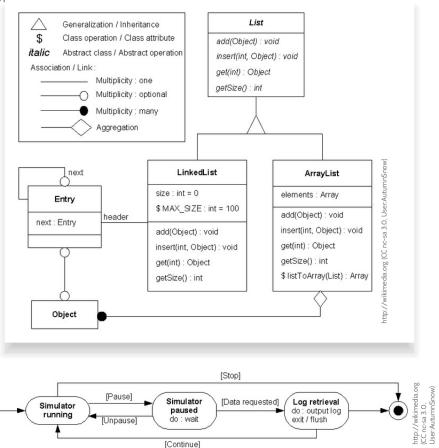
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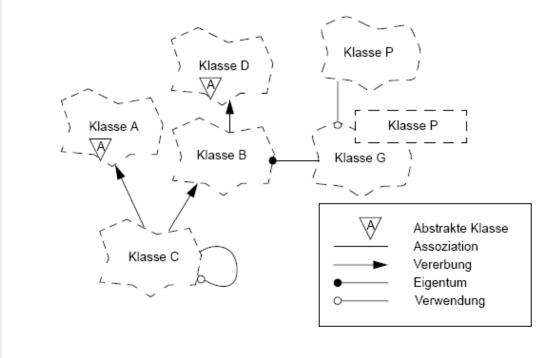
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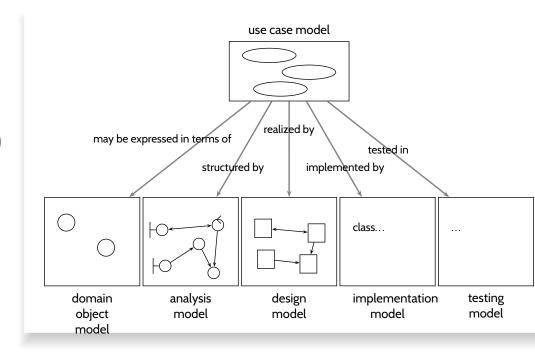


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- Since 2005: UML 2.x, split into infra- and superstructure documents.

Figure A.5 - The taxonomy of structure and behavior diagram

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