



Session 2:

Design Patterns for Android

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Calendar



Week		Theory	Labs	Deliverables
1	16 February	Introduction to PIS	Introduction to Android	
2	23 February	Design pattern 1	Session 1	
3	2 March	Requirements	Session 2	
4	9 March	Examples requirements	Session 3	
5	16 March	Feedback deliverable 1	Feedback & support	
6	23 March	Design pattern 2	Feedback & support	1. Requirements + UI
7	30 March	Software testing	Feedback & support	
8	6 April	Week partials (not for PIS)	Feedback & support	
9	13 April	<i>Semana Santa</i>	Feedback & support	
10	20 April	Feedback deliverable 2	Feedback & support	
11	27 April	<i>Matefest-Infofest (no lectiu)</i>	Feedback & support	2. Design + demo
12	4 May	<i>Fira d'Empreses</i>	Feedback & support	
13	11 May	Feedback deliverable 3	Feedback & support	
14	18 May	Trial exam	Feedback & support	
15	25 May	Trial exam	Presentations	3. Final project



Design Patterns



1. General re-usable solution to a common problem in software design
2. They are not ready-to-code solutions (WHAT)
3. They provides templates and best practices for software design (HOW)
4. Increased flexibility and maintainability of the code
5. Proven solutions: Used by many !!



Design Patterns



Objects

Structures

Relationships
& algorithms

Creational	Structural	Behavioral
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Factory Method	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adapter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interpreter
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Abstract Factory• Builder• Prototype• Singleton	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adapter• Bridge• Composite• Decorator• Facade• Flyweight• Proxy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chain of Responsibility• Command• Iterator• Mediator• Memento• Observer• State• Strategy• Visitor



Design Principles



1. **S**ingle responsibility principle - Class has a single responsibility.
2. **O**pen/closed principle – Class should be open for extension, closed for modification.
3. **L**iskov substitution principle - Class can be replaced by any of its children.
4. **I**nterface segregation principle - Many client-specific interfaces are better than one general-purpose interface.
5. **D**ependency inversion principle - Depend upon abstractions, not concretions



Content



- Model–View–Controller (MVC)
- Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM)
- Example with the BMI App
- Questions / Answers



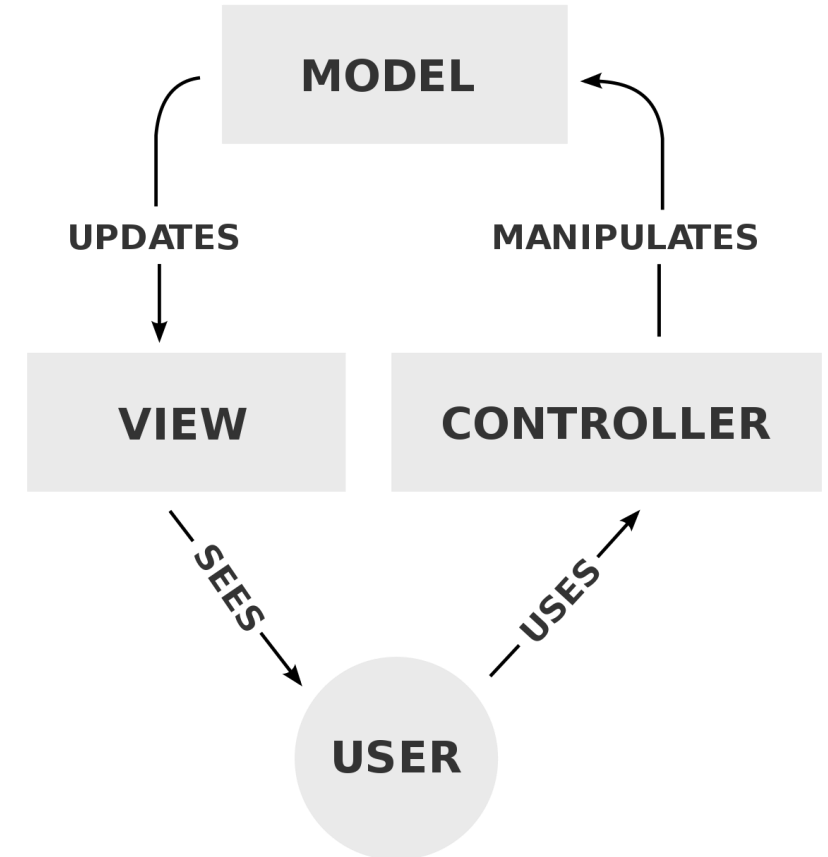
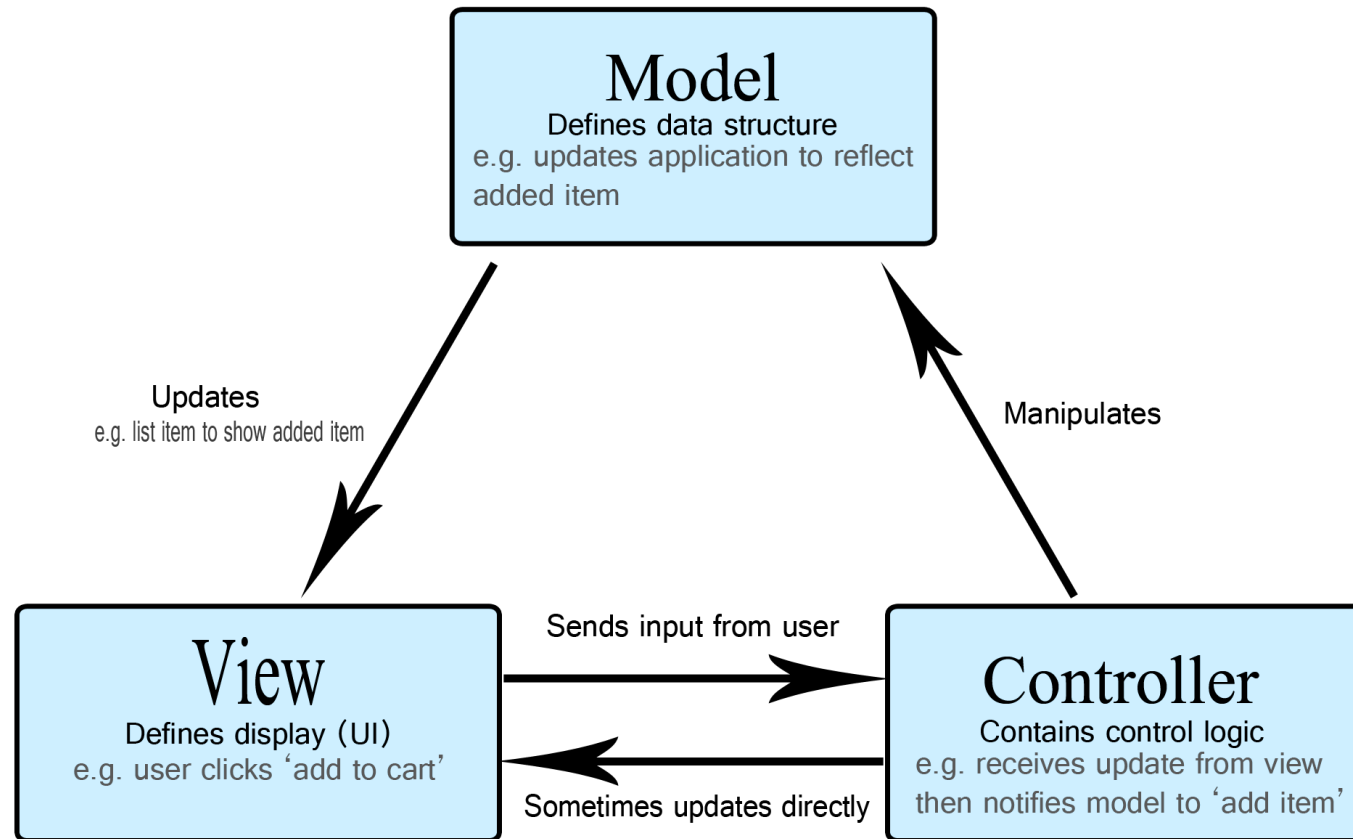
Model-View-Controller



- **Model.** Contains the data/information with which the system works. Provides the information to the user in **View**.
- **View.** Presents the user with the model's information.
- **Controller.** Responds to user actions, modifying the model when necessary. In addition, it communicates with the view to update with the latest model changes.



Model-View-Controller





Model-View-Controller



- In Android, there is no specific component to play the role of the **Controller**
- Communication between the **Model** and the **View** is done through the **Activity** or **Fragment**
- This violates the "single responsibility principle", which means we have to run the entire **Activity** to test the logic.
- Furthermore, these components are specific to Android. Implementing the logic in **Activity** creates dependencies to the eco-system.



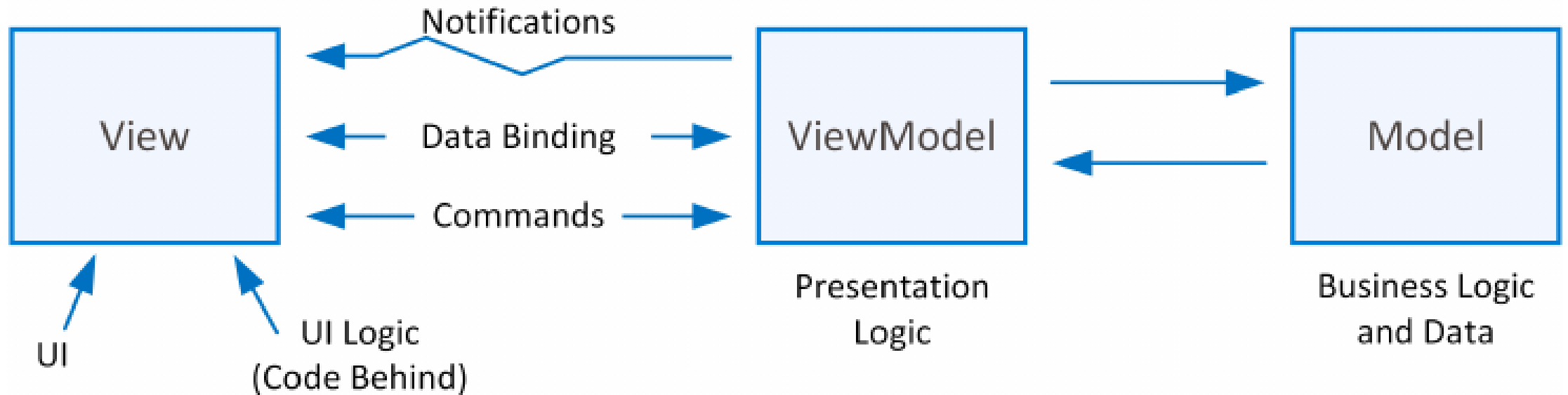
Model-View-Viewmodel



- **Model.** Contains the data/information with which the system works. Provides the information to the user in **View**.
- **View.** Presents the user with the model's information.
- **Viewmodel.** Abstraction of the **View** exposing public properties and commands.
- ✓ The **View** directly binds to properties on the **Viewmodel** to send and receive updates. To function efficiently, this requires a *binding technology*.



Model-View-Viewmodel





1. View



- Activity, Fragment, Viewgroup, Layout, etc
- These elements have to be as simple as possible and fully independent of any logic
- ✓ They should be responsible of instantiating views (with getViewById)
- ✓ They transmit any response (e.g. from OnClick) to the Viewmodel and updates in the data based on **Observers**



1. View



```
MainActivity.java x activity_main.xml x

7
8 public class MainActivity extends Activity {
9
10     // Instancias de objetos a usar
11     private double valor_a, valor_b;
12     //private double valor_bmi;
13     private EditText op_a, op_b;
14     private TextView resultado;
15
16     public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
17         super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
18         setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
19
20         // Asignamos los objetos
21         this.op_a = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.op_a);
22         this.op_b = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.op_b);
23         this.resultado = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.resultado);
24     }
25
26     public void cSumar(View view) {
27         if(this.op_a.getText().toString().length() > 0 && this.op_b.getText().toString().length() > 0) {
28             this.valor_a = Double.parseDouble(this.op_a.getText().toString());
29             this.valor_b = Double.parseDouble(this.op_b.getText().toString());
30             this.resultado.setText(Double.toString((this.valor_a + this.valor_b)));
31         }
32     }
33
34     public void BMI(View view) {
35         if (this.op_a.getText().toString().length() > 0 && this.op_b.getText().toString().length() > 0) {
36             this.valor_a = Double.parseDouble(this.op_a.getText().toString());
37             this.valor_b = Double.parseDouble(this.op_b.getText().toString());
38             this.valor_bmi = ((this.valor_a * this.valor_a) / this.valor_b);
39             if (this.valor_bmi < 25) {
40                 this.resultado.setText("Peso ideal");
41             }
42             if (this.valor_bmi >= 25) {
43                 this.resultado.setText("Sobrepeso");
44             }
45         }
46     }
47 }
```



1. View



```
public class BMIActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    private EditText op_a, op_b;
    private TextView resultadg;
    private Button bmiButton;
    //declare our viewModel
    private BMIViewModel viewModel;

    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_bmi);
        initView();
    }

    private void initView(){
        // Instance the viewModel (update gradle dependencies if required)
        viewModel = new ViewModelProvider( owner: this).get(BMIViewModel.class);

        this.op_a = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.op_a);
        this.op_b = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.op_b);
        this.bmiButton = (Button) findViewById(R.id.bmi_button);
        this.resultado = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.resultado);

        bmiButton.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
            @Override
            public void onClick(View view) {
                viewModel.BMI(op_a.getText().toString(),op_b.getText().toString());
            }
        });

        //Observer related stuff...
    }
}
```

View

Instance of
Viewmodel

1. The data/information (**Model**) is removed from the Activity
2. The logic is also removed from the Activity
3. The Activity has an instance of the **Viewmodel**
4. The data/information (**Model**) will be managed through the **Viewmodel**



2. Model



```
public class BMIActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    private EditText op_a, op_b;
    private TextView resultado;
    private Button bmiButton;
    //declare our viewModel
    private BMIViewModel viewModel;

    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_bmi);
        initView();
    }

    private void initView(){
        // Instance the viewModel (update gradle dependencies if required)
        viewModel = new ViewModelProvider( owner: this).get(BMIViewModel.class);

        this.op_a = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.op_a);
        this.op_b = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.op_b);
        this.bmiButton = (Button) findViewById(R.id.bmi_button);
        this.resultado = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.resultado);

        bmiButton.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
            @Override
            public void onClick(View view) {
                viewModel.BMI(op_a.getText().toString(), op_b.getText().toString());
            }
        });

        //Observer related stuff...
    }
}
```

View

Instance of
Viewmodel

```
package com.example.bmi_mvvm;
```

Model

```
public class BMIDummyModel {

    public static String BMI(String op1, String op2) {
        double valor_a = Double.parseDouble(op1);
        double valor_b = Double.parseDouble(op2);
        double valor_bmi = ((valor_a * valor_a) / valor_b);
        if (valor_bmi < 25) {
            return "Peso ideal";
        }
        else return "Sobrepeso";
    }
}
```



3. Viewmodel



```
BMIActivity.java x BMIDummyModel.java x BMIViewModel.java x activity_bmi.xml x
1 package com.example.bmi_mvvm;
2
3 import androidx.lifecycle.LiveData;
4 import androidx.lifecycle.MutableLiveData;
5 import androidx.lifecycle.ViewModel;
6
7 public class BMIViewModel extends ViewModel {
8     //Mutable , allows assignation of a new result
9     private MutableLiveData<String> resultado;
10
11     //Constructor
12     public BMIViewModel(){
13         resultado = new MutableLiveData<>();
14     }
15
16     //public getter. Not mutable , read-only
17     public LiveData<String> getResultado(){
18         return resultado;
19     }
20
21     //communicates user inputs and update the result in the viewModel
22     public void BMI(String peso, String altura){
23         resultado.setValue(BMIDummyModel.BMI(altura,peso));
24     }
25 }
```




LiveData



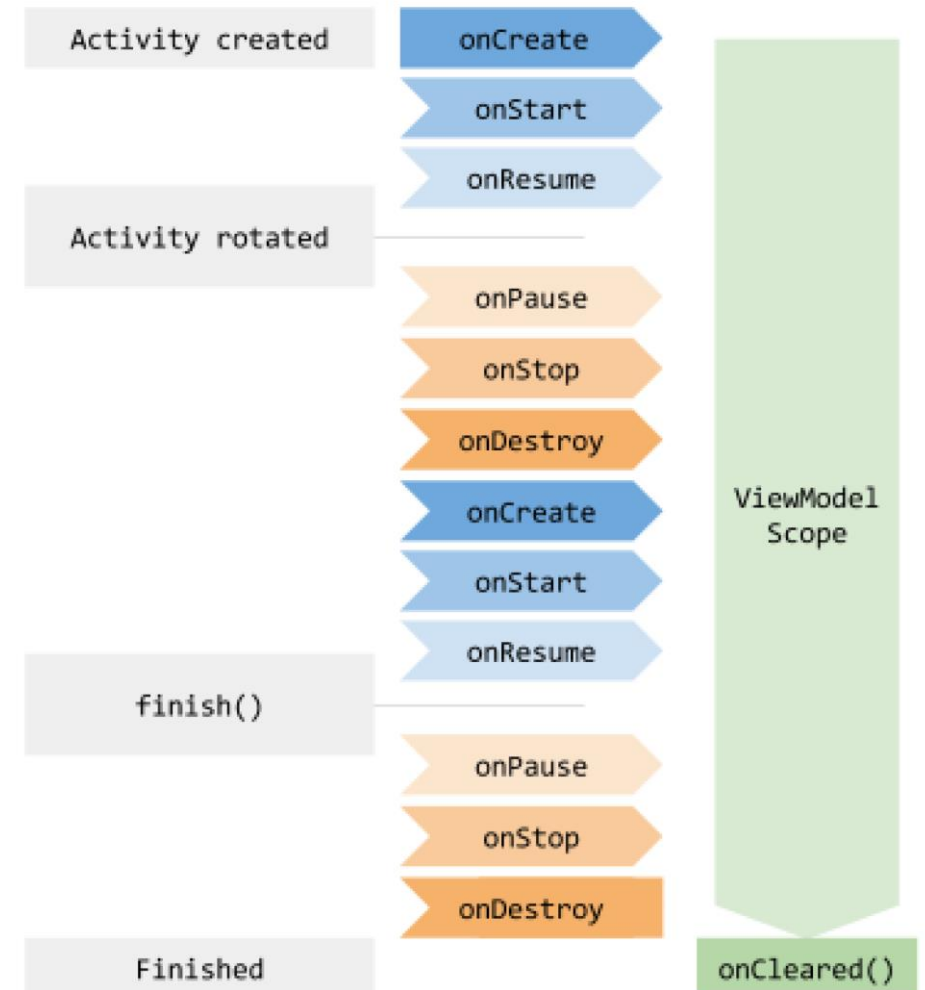
- LiveData is a container of observable data
- Optimised for the life cycles of all components of the App
- For example, change in configurations (e.g. rotation): The Activity receives immediately the available data
- **MutableLiveData** is a subclass of LiveData. Using its setValue and postValue properties we can notify the UI when **onChange** is called.



LiveData



```
//Observer related stuff...  
//Observe changes in LiveData  
final Observer<String> observer = new Observer<String>() {  
    @Override  
    public void onChanged(String s) {  
        resultado.setText(s);  
    }  
};  
  
//Subscribe the activity to the observable  
viewModel.getResultado().observe( owner: this,observer);  
}
```





Summary



- **View:** Activity or fragment, very simple
- **Model:** Separate class with all the information/data
- **Viewmodel:** Contains a copy of the **Model** based on **MutableLiveData**
- **View** has an instance of the **Viewmodel**
- Updates in the data are sent to **Viewmodel** using the **Observer** Activity



Advantages



1. **Modelview** is separate from the **View**
2. Thus, it is easier to test the logic of the program separately (no need to run the entire App/Activity)
3. **Viewmodel** resists any changes in the configuration of the **View** (e.g. rotation)
4. **View** only takes care of receiving information from the **Viewmodel** and update its elements/visualisations, thus reducing complexity



Deliverable



1. Design:

- ✓ Model overview (structures, classes, relationships, etc)
- ✓ Viewmodel overview
- ✓ View overview

2. Demo:

1. Description of the interfaces and functionalities (screenshots + text)
2. Source code / project (ZIP)
3. APK file



Question 1



What are design patterns?

- A. Templates for object classes
- B. Templates for architecture design
- ☒ C. Common solutions to solve software design problems
- D. Common solutions to transform requirements into software design



Question 2



In the Model-View-Controller pattern:

- A. The Model and View components are not connected
- ☒ B. The Model, View and Controller are connected
- C. The Model and View are separated by the Controller
- D. The View can send information to the Model



Question 3



In the Model-View-Viewmodel pattern:

- ☒ A. The Model and View components are not connected
- ☐ B. The Model, View and Viewmodel are connected
- ☒ C. The View and Viewmodel are connected
- ☐ D. The View cannot send commands to the Viewmodel



Question 4



Which of the SOLID principles of software design the Model-View-Viewmodel specifically achieves?

- ☒ A. S: Separation of concern
- ☐ B. O: Classes open for extension
- ☐ C. I: Interfaces are segregated
- ☒ D. All SOLID principles



Question 5



The View contains:

- A. An instance of the Model
- B. An instance of the Viewmodel
- C. An instance of the Model and Viewmodel
- ☒ D. An instance of the Viewmodel and Observer



Question 6



The Model can contain:

- A. Android objects
- B. An instance of the Viewmodel for communication
- ☒ C. Only Java code
- D. An instance of the View to show any updates on the interfaces



Question 7



The Viewmodel can contain:

- A. An instance of the View for updating the interfaces
- B. The MutableLiveData class for communication with the Model**
- C. Only Java code
- D. The Observer class



Question 8



What is the role of the Observer in this design?

- ☒ A. Observes changes in LiveData
- ☐ B. Observes changes in the View
- ☐ C. Observes changes in the Viewmodel
- ☐ D. Observes the communication between the Viewmodel and Model