

CS 130 SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

DESIGN PATTERNS

INTRODUCTION, STRATEGY,
OBSERVER MEDIATOR

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AGENDA

- ▶ Strategy Pattern (Chapter 1 in Head First)
- ▶ Observer Pattern (Chapter 2 in Head First)
- ▶ Mediator Pattern
- ▶ Index Cards

DESIGN PATTERN, DEFINED

- ▶ “A solution to a problem in a context.”
- ▶ “A language for communication solutions with others.”
- ▶ Pattern languages exist for many problems, but we focus on design
- ▶ Best known: “Gang of Four” (Gamma, Helm, Johnson, Vlissides)
 - ▶ *Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software*

CAVEATS

- ▶ Design patterns are not a substitute for thought
- ▶ Class names and directory structures do not equal good design
- ▶ Design patterns have tradeoffs
 - ▶ We'll talk about the *mediator* pattern. It does not remove complexity in interactions but just provides a structure for centralizing it.
- ▶ Design patterns depend on the programming language
 - ▶ Certain language restrictions may necessitate certain patterns (e.g., patterns related to object creation and destruction)

MOTIVATION FOR DESIGN PATTERNS

- ▶ They provide an abstraction of the design experience
 - ▶ Can often serve as a reusable base of experience
- ▶ They provide a common vocabulary for discussing complete system designs
- ▶ They reduce system complexity by naming abstractions
 - ▶ Thereby increasing program comprehension and reducing learning time with a new piece of code
- ▶ They provide a target for the reorganization or refactoring of class hierarchies

PIECES OF A DESIGN PATTERN

- ▶ Pattern name and classification
- ▶ Intent
- ▶ Also known as
- ▶ Justification
- ▶ Applicability
- ▶ Structure
- ▶ Participants
- ▶ Collaborations
- ▶ Consequences
- ▶ Implementation
- ▶ Sample code
- ▶ Known uses
- ▶ Related patterns

RATIONALE FOR DESIGN PATTERNS



- ▶ Shared pattern vocabularies are powerful
- ▶ Patterns allow you to say more with less
- ▶ Reusing tried and tested methods
- ▶ Focus is on developing flexible, maintainable programs

STRATEGY

SIMUDUCK



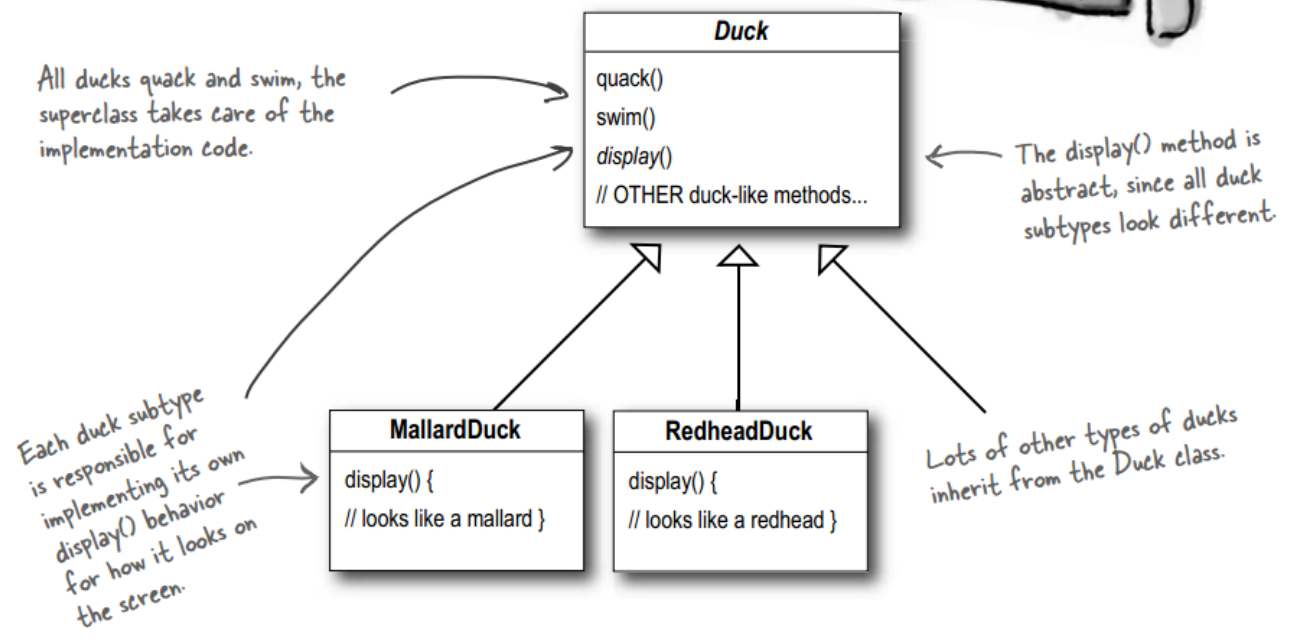
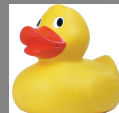
The ducks should be able to swim!

We should have Mallard ducks!

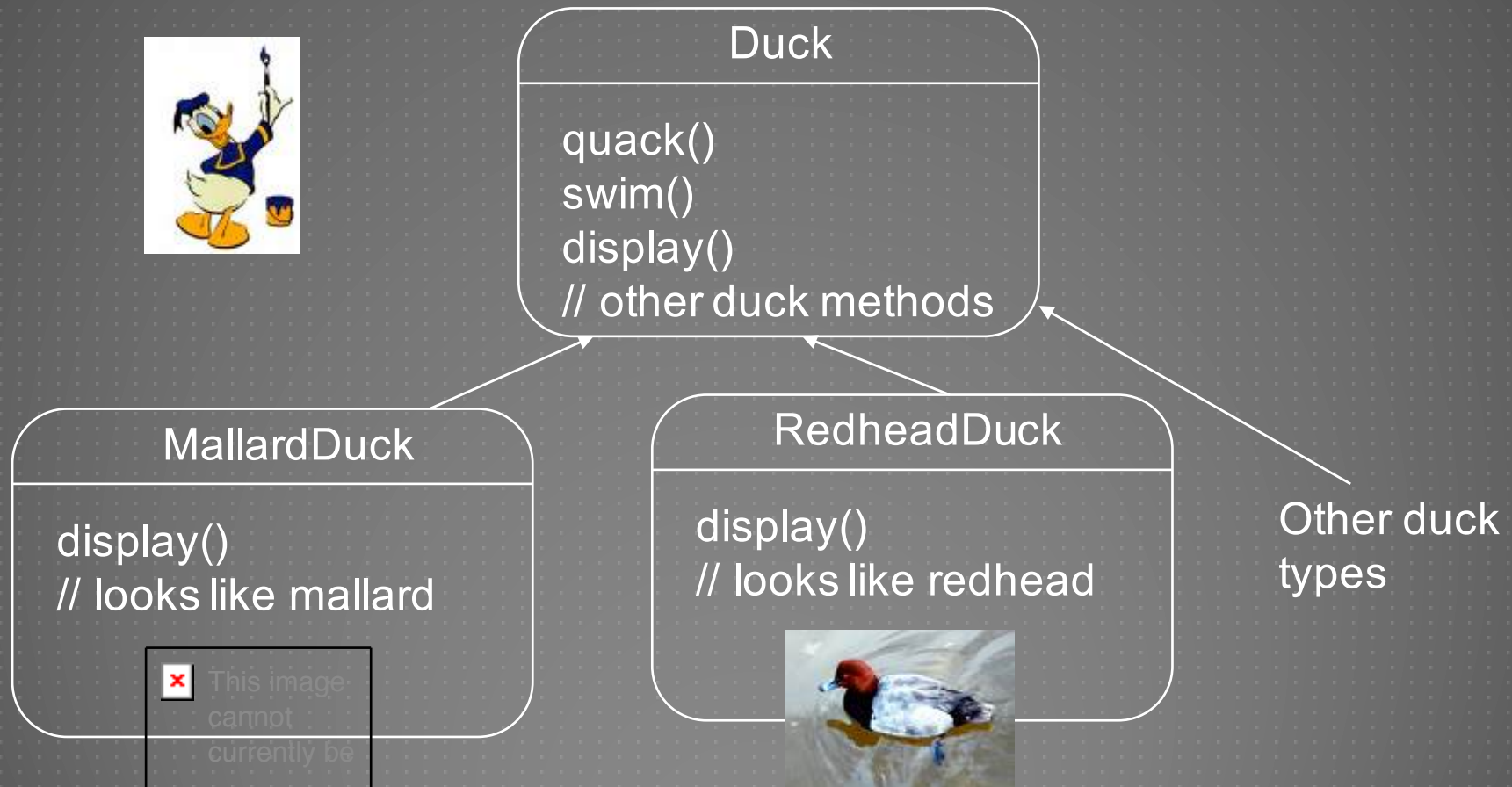
The ducks should quack!

What about a redheaded duck?

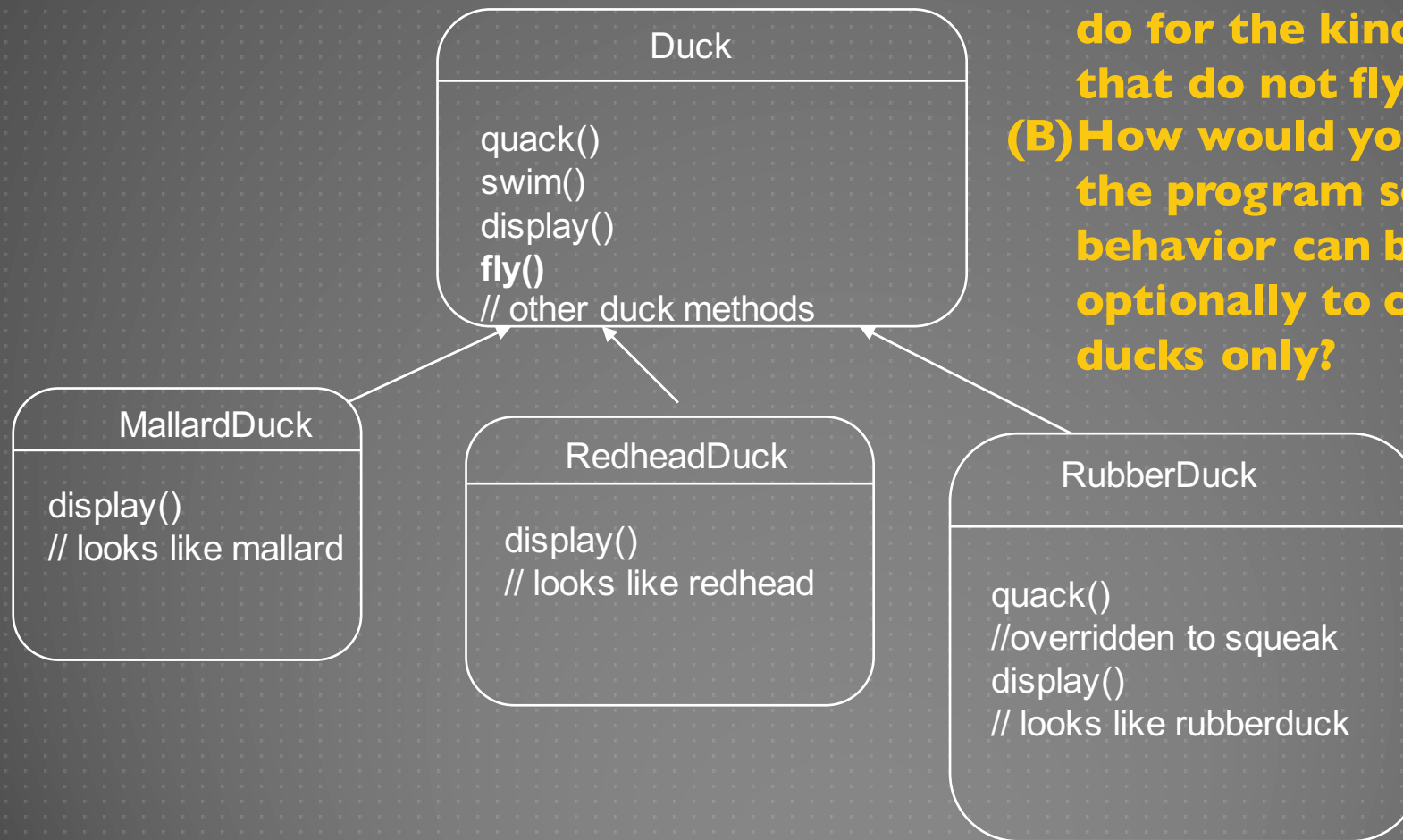
Don't ducks fly, too?



SIMPLE SIMULATION OF DUCK BEHAVIOR



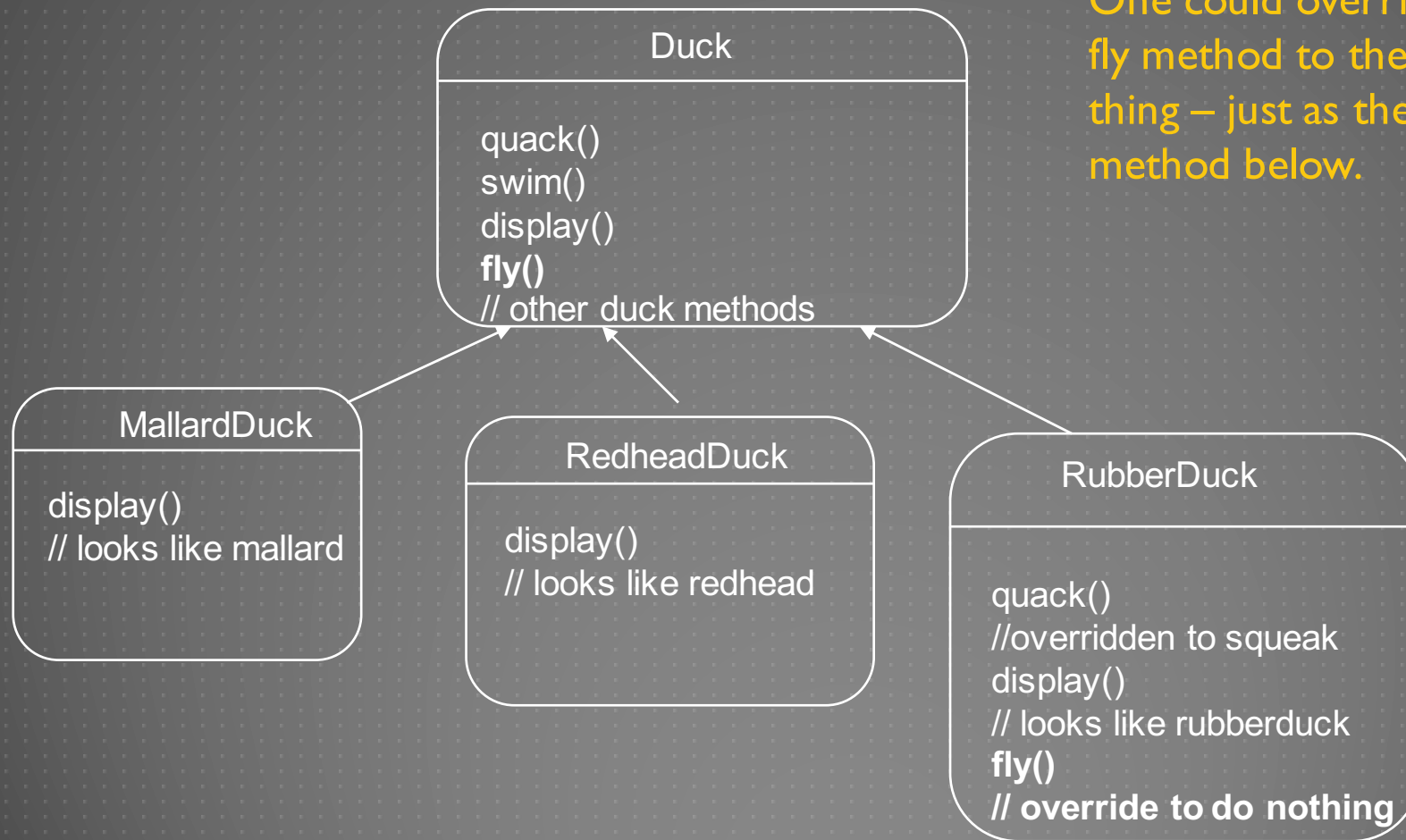
THINK-PAIR-SHARE



(A) If we add a “fly” method to the duck, what will we do for the kinds of ducks that do not fly?

(B) How would you change the program so that “fly” behavior can be added optionally to certain ducks only?

TRADEOFFS IN USE OF INHERITANCE AND MAINTENANCE



One could override the fly method to the appropriate thing – just as the quack method below.

EXAMPLE COMPLICATED: ADD A WOODEN DECOY DUCKS TO THE MIX

DecoyDuck

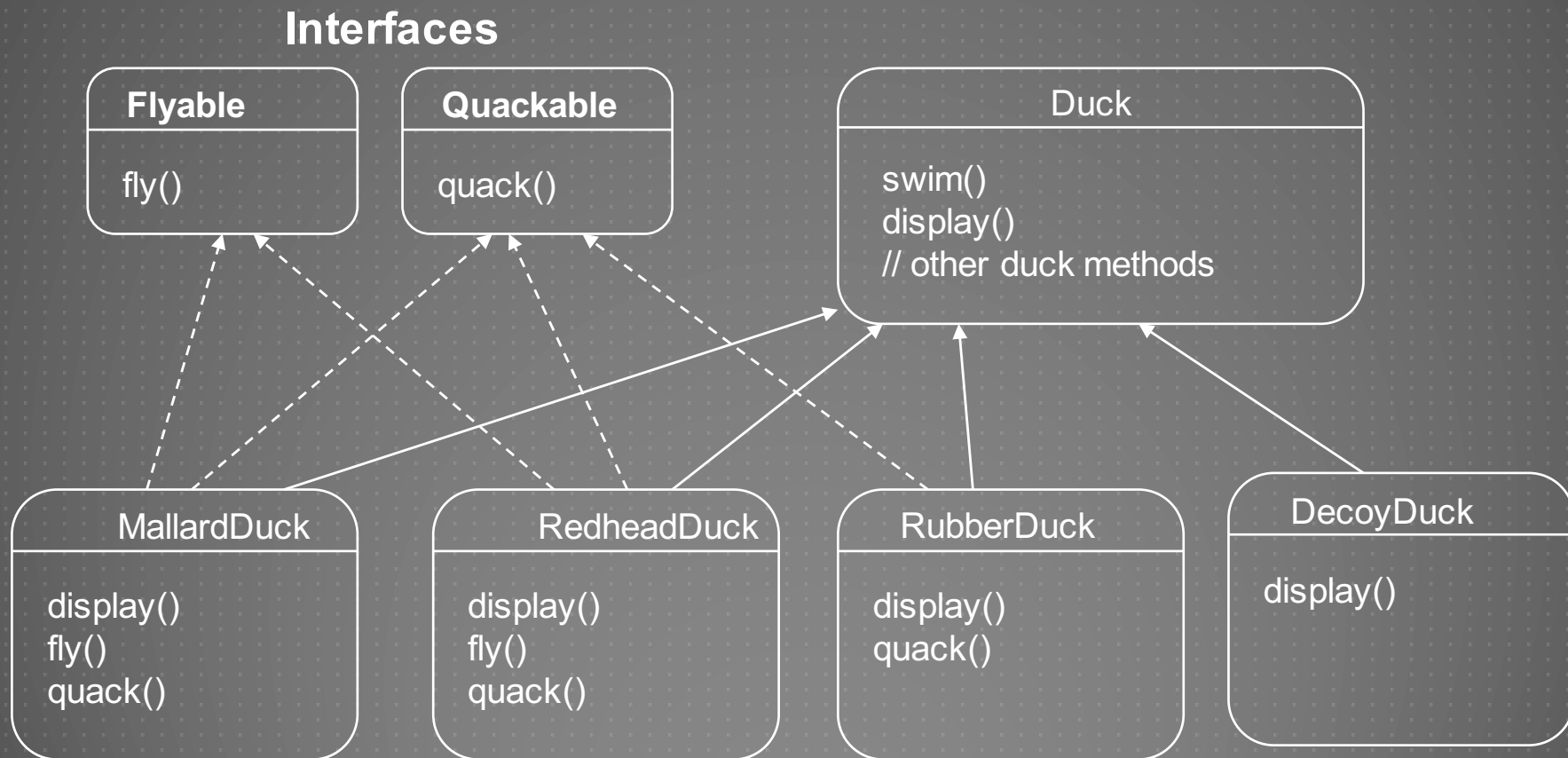
```
quack(){  
  // override to do nothing  
}  
display()  
  // display decoy duck  
fly (){  
  //override to do nothing  
}
```



Inheritance is not always the right answer. Every new class that inherits unwanted behavior needs to be overridden.

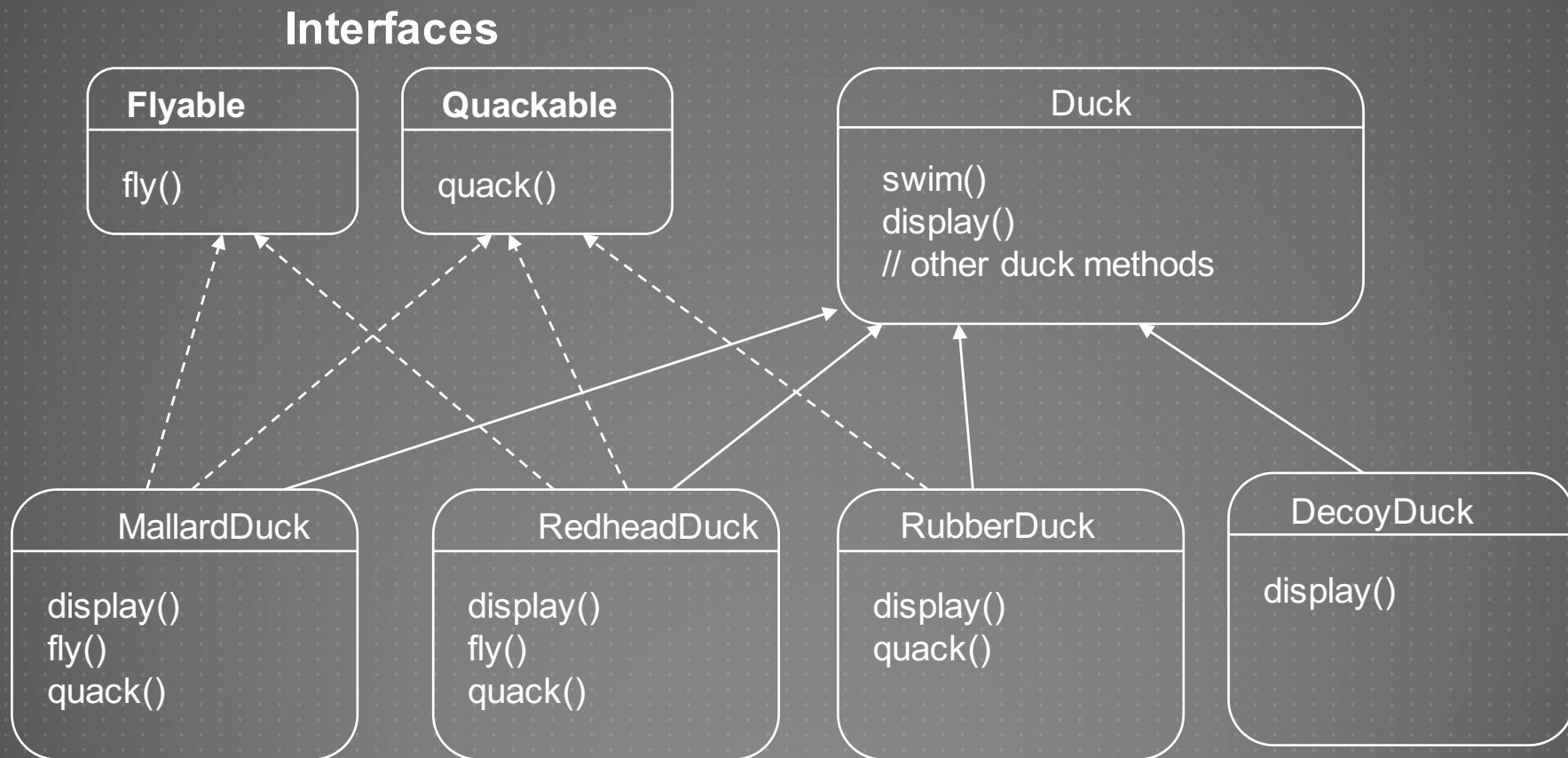
How about using interfaces instead?

DUCK SIMULATION RECAST USING INTERFACES.



THINK-PAIR-SHARE

WHAT ARE PROS AND CONS OF THIS DESIGN?



PROS AND CONS

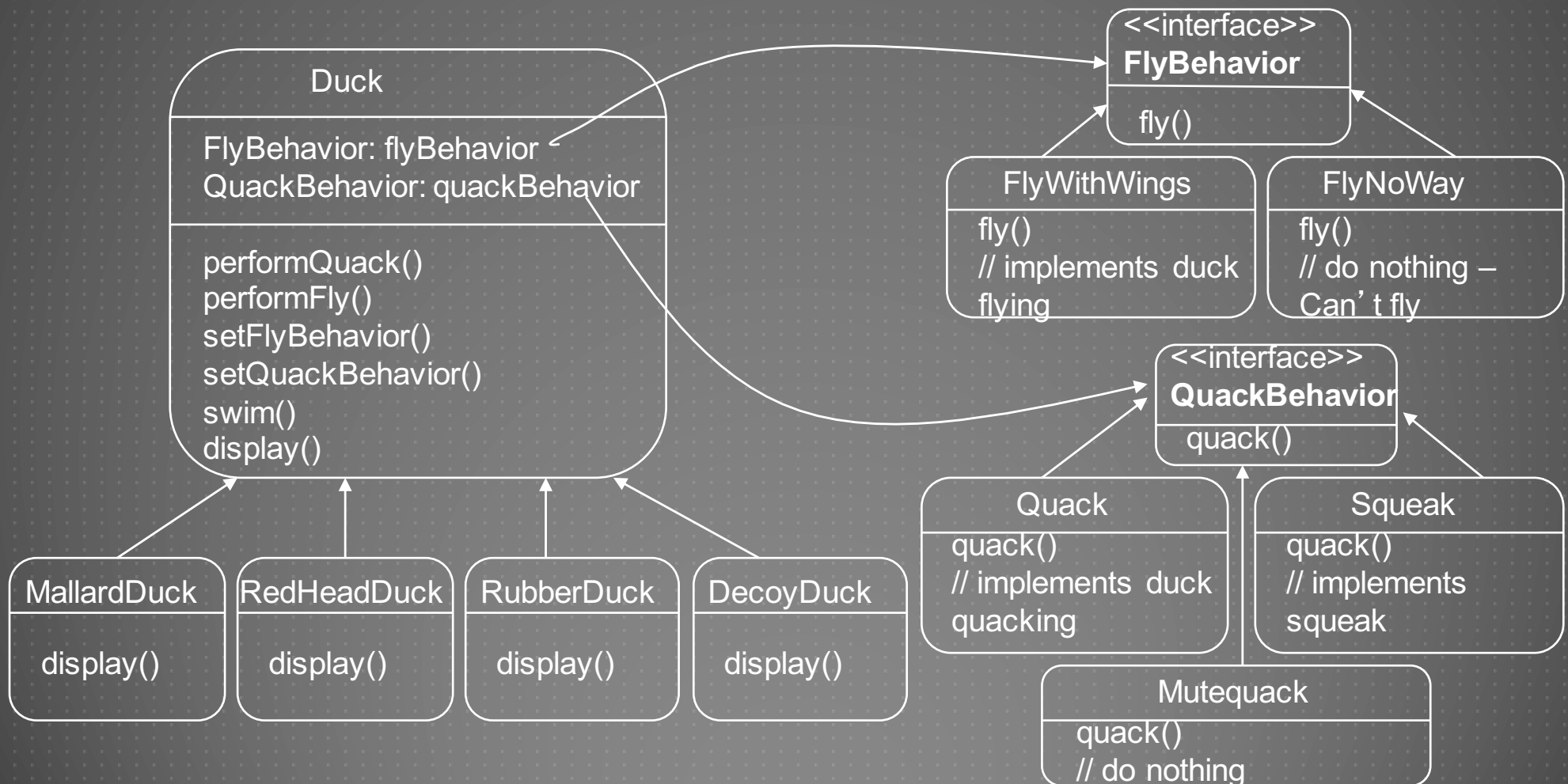


- ▶ Not all inherited methods make sense for all subclasses – hence inheritance is not the right answer
- ▶ But by defining interfaces, every class that needs to support that interface needs to implement that functionality... destroys code reuse!
- ▶ So if you want to change the behavior defined by interfaces, every class that implements that behavior may potentially be impacted

And....



ALTERNATIVE DESIGN: STRATEGY



```
public abstract class Duck {  
    FlyBehavior flyBehavior;  
    QuackBehavior quackBehavior;  
  
    public Duck() {  
    }  
    public void setFlyBehavior (FlyBehavior fb) {  
        flyBehavior = fb;  
    }  
    public void setQuackBehavior(QuackBehavior qb) {  
        quackBehavior = qb;  
    }  
    abstract void display();  
  
    public void performFly() {  
        flyBehavior.fly();  
    }  
    public void performQuack() {  
        quackBehavior.quack();  
    }  
    public void swim() {  
        System.out.println("All ducks float, even decoys!");  
    }  
}
```

```
package headfirst.strategy;

public class ModelDuck extends Duck {
    public ModelDuck() {
        flyBehavior = new
FlyNoWay();
        quackBehavior = new
Quack();
    }

    public void display() {
        System.out.println("I'm a
model duck");
    }
}
```

```
package headfirst.strategy;

public class FlyRocketPowered implements
FlyBehavior {
    public void fly() {
        System.out.println("I'm
flying with a rocket");
    }
}
```

```
package headfirst.strategy;
```

```
public class MiniDuckSimulator {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
        MallardDuck    mallard = new MallardDuck();
```

```
        RubberDuck    rubberDuckie = new RubberDuck();
```

```
        DecoyDuck     decoy = new DecoyDuck();
```

```
        ModelDuck     model = new ModelDuck();
```

```
        mallard.performQuack();
```

```
        rubberDuckie.performQuack();
```

```
        decoy.performQuack();
```

```
        model.performFly();
```

```
        model.setFlyBehavior(new FlyRocketPowered());
```

```
        model.performFly();
```

```
    }
```

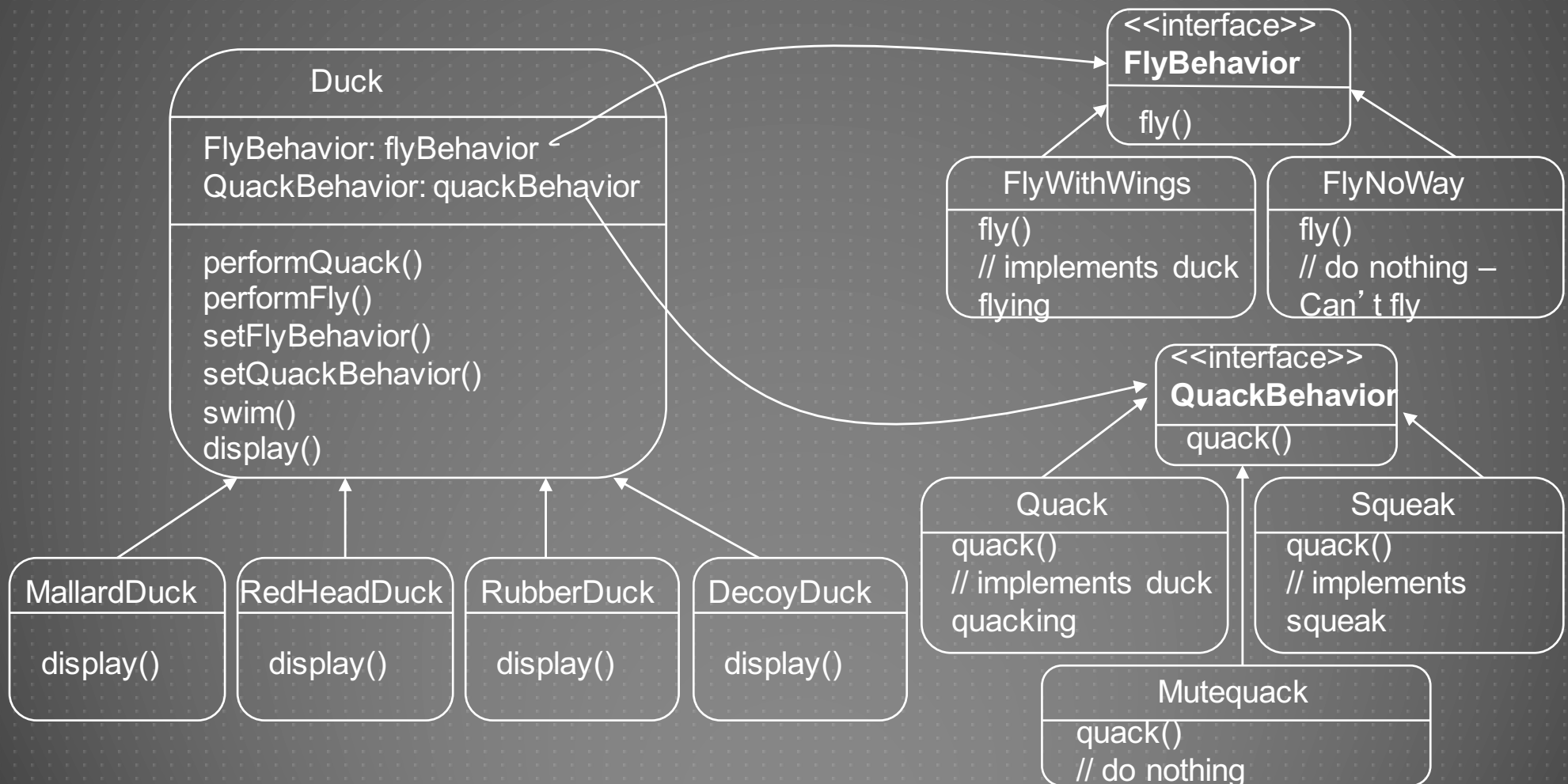
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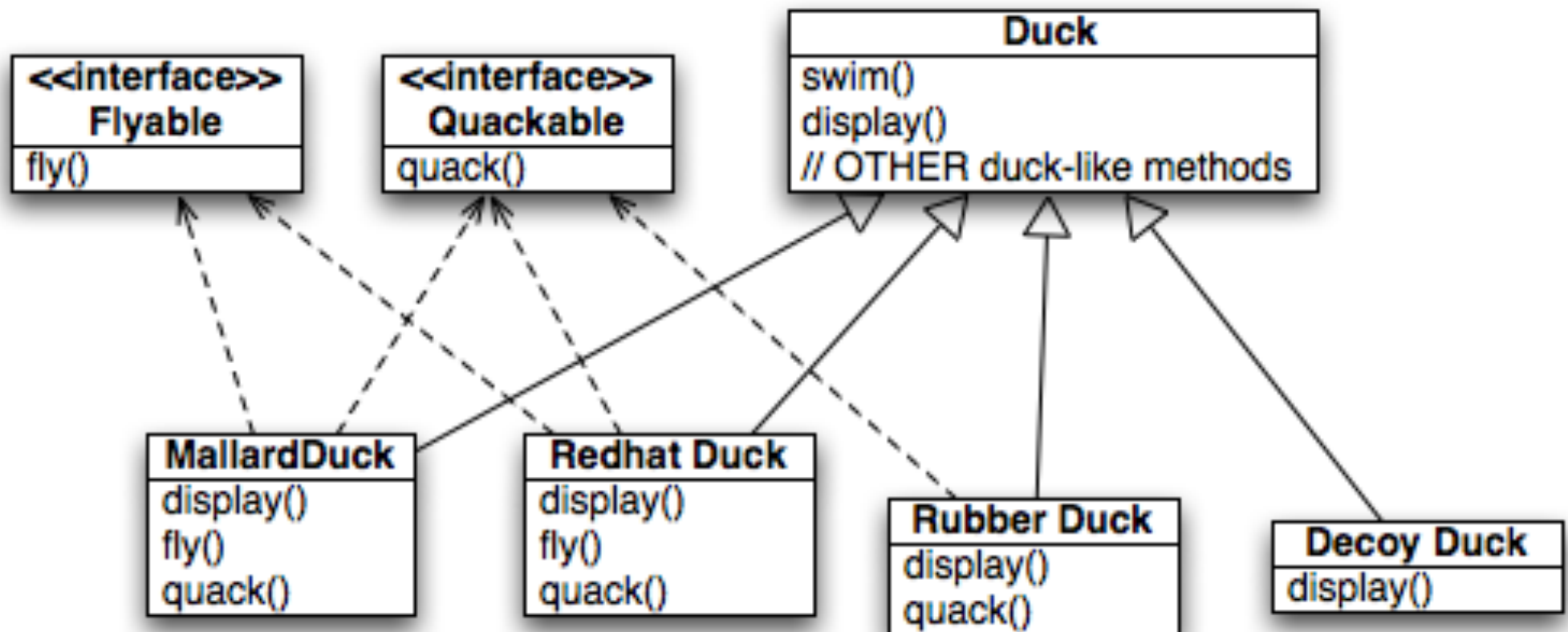
THE STRATEGY PATTERN

The Strategy Pattern defines a family of algorithms, Encapsulates each one, and makes them interchangeable. Strategy lets the algorithm vary independently from clients that use it.

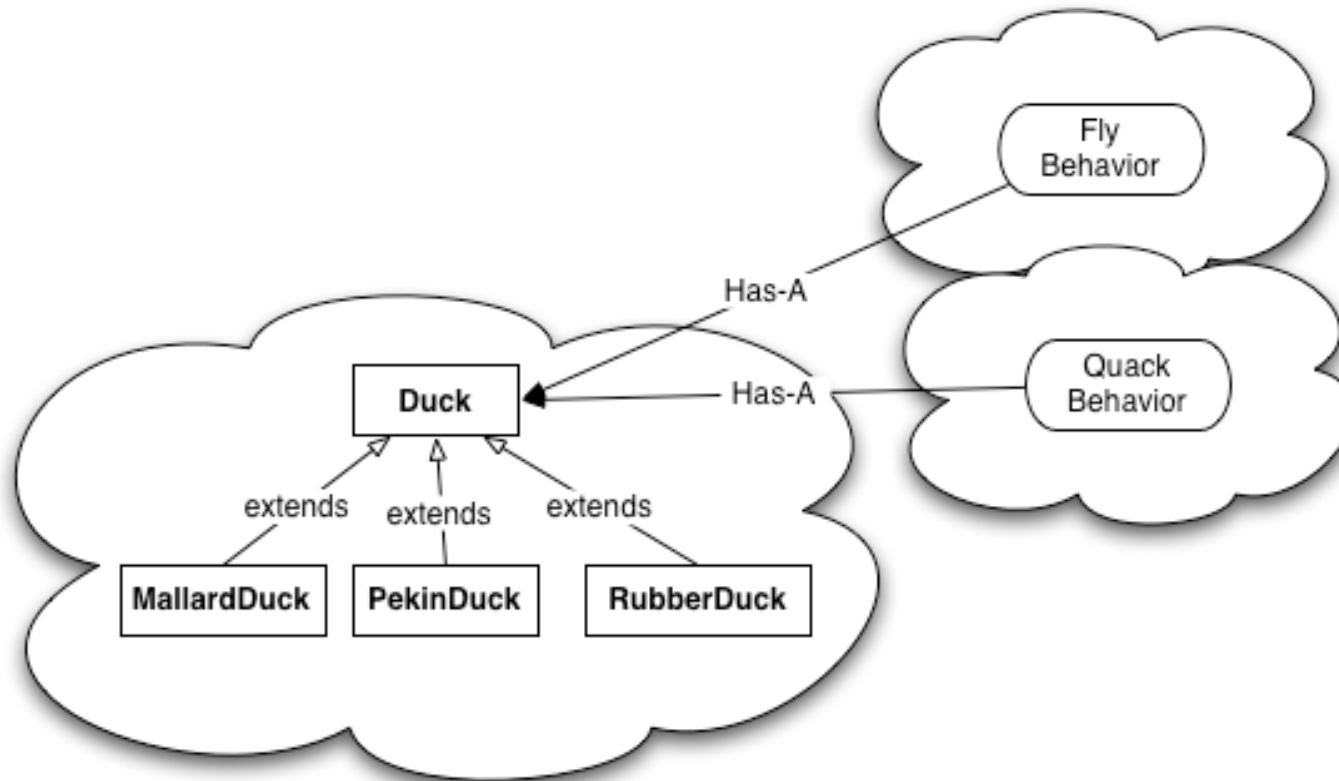
RECAP QUESTION 1: WHAT IS THE STRATEGY AND CONCRETE STRATEGY CLASSES RESPECTIVELY?



RECAP QUESTION 2: WHAT ARE THE DISADVANTAGE OF THIS DESIGN?

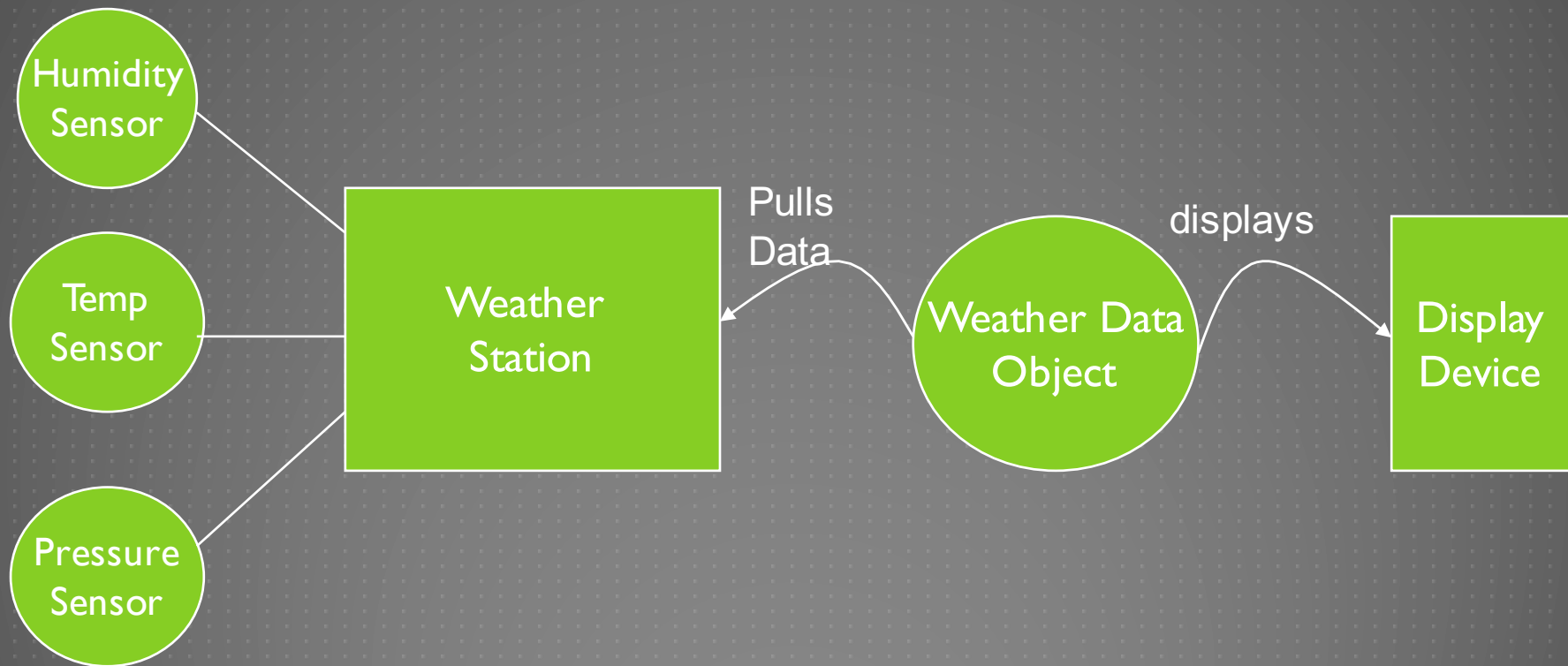


RECAP QUESTION 3: WHICH DECISIONS ARE LIKELY TO VARY ACCORDING TO THIS DESIGN?

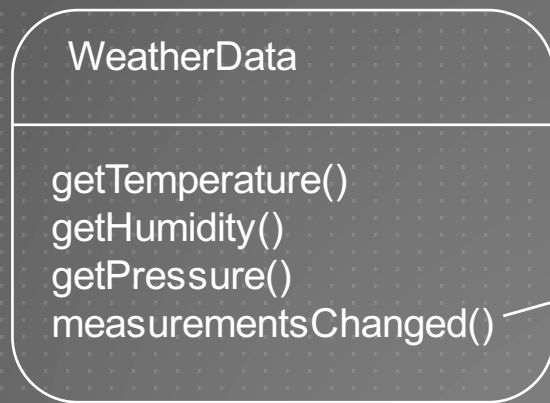


THE OBSERVER PATTERN

WEATHER MONITORING APPLICATION



WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?



```
/*
 * Call this method
 * whenever measurements are
 * Updated
 */
Public void measurementsChanged(){
    // your code goes here
}
```

Update three
different displays

PROBLEM SPECIFICATION

- ▶ weatherData class has three getter methods
- ▶ measurementsChanged() method called whenever there is a change
- ▶ Three display methods needs to be supported: current conditions, weather statistics and simple forecast
- ▶ System should be expandable

FIRST CUT AT IMPLEMENTATION

```
public class WeatherData {  
  
    public void measurementsChanged(){  
        float temp = getTemperature();  
        float humidity = getHumidity();  
        float pressure = getPressure();  
  
        currentConditionsDisplay.update (temp, humidity, pressure);  
        statisticsDisplay.update (temp, humidity, pressure);  
        forecastDisplay.update (temp, humidity, pressure);  
    }  
    // other methods  
}
```

THINK-PAIR-SHARE

- ▶ How should the code be updated if we want to support another type of displays beyond the three?

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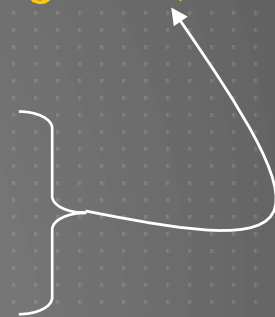
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    // other methods
```

```
}
```



*Area of change which can be
managed better by encapsulation*



*By coding to concrete implementations
there is no way to add additional display
elements without making code change*



OBSERVER PATTERN

The Observer Pattern defines a one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all of its dependents are notified and updated automatically.

BASIS FOR OBSERVER PATTERN

- ▶ Fashioned after the publish/subscribe model
- ▶ Works off similar to any subscription model
 - ▶ Buying newspaper
 - ▶ Magazines
 - ▶ List servers

WEATHER DATA INTERFACES

```
public interface Subject {  
    public void registerObserver(Observer o);  
    public void removeObserver(Observer o);  
    public void notifyObservers();  
}  
public interface Observer {  
    public void update(float temp, float humidity, float pressure);  
}  
public interface DisplayElement {  
    public void display();  
}
```

IMPLEMENTING SUBJECT INTERFACE

```
public class WeatherData implements Subject {  
    private ArrayList observers;  
    private float temperature;  
    private float humidity;  
    private float pressure;  
  
    public WeatherData() {  
        observers = new ArrayList();  
    }  
}
```

REGISTER AND UNREGISTER

```
public void registerObserver(Observer o) {  
    observers.add(o);  
}
```

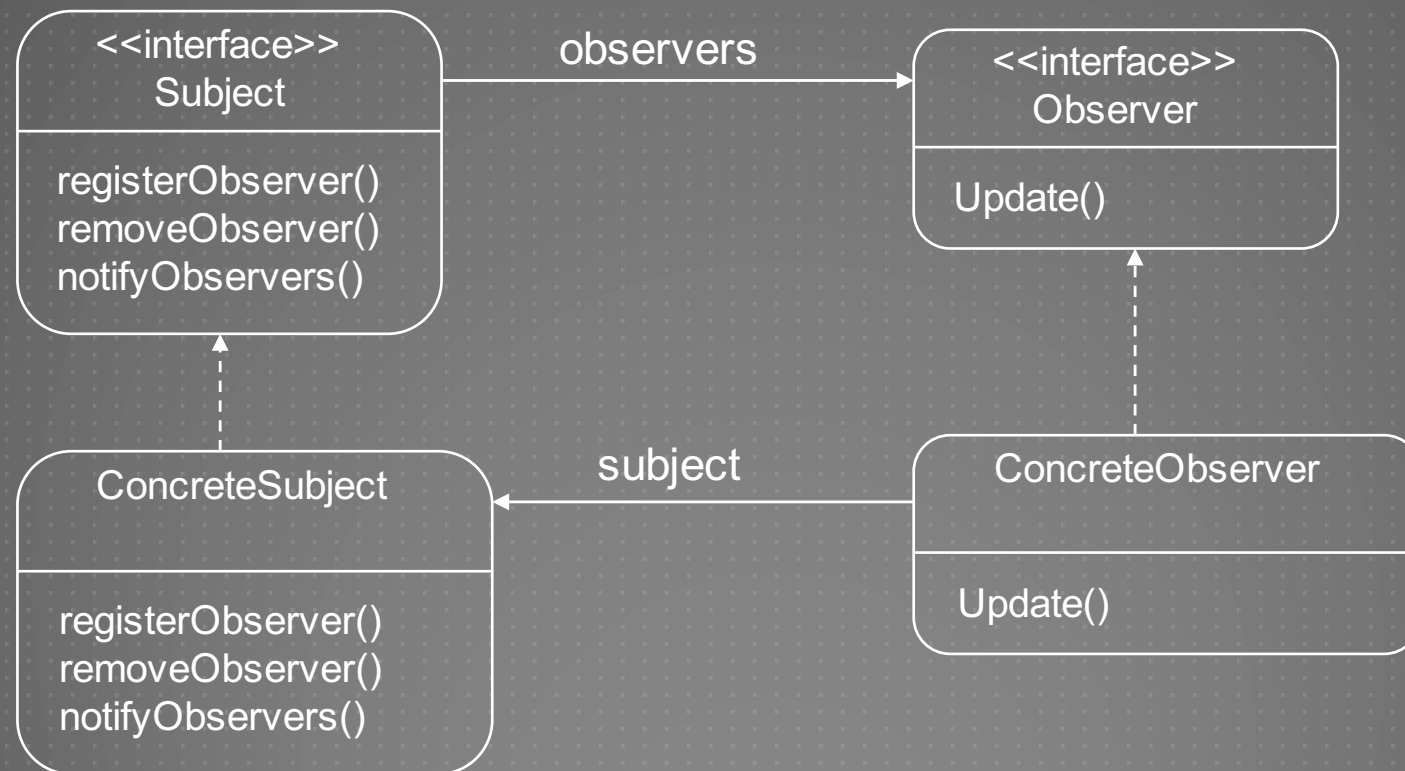
```
public void removeObserver(Observer o) {  
    int i = observers.indexOf(o);  
    if (i >= 0) {  
        observers.remove(i);  
    }  
}
```

NOTIFY METHODS

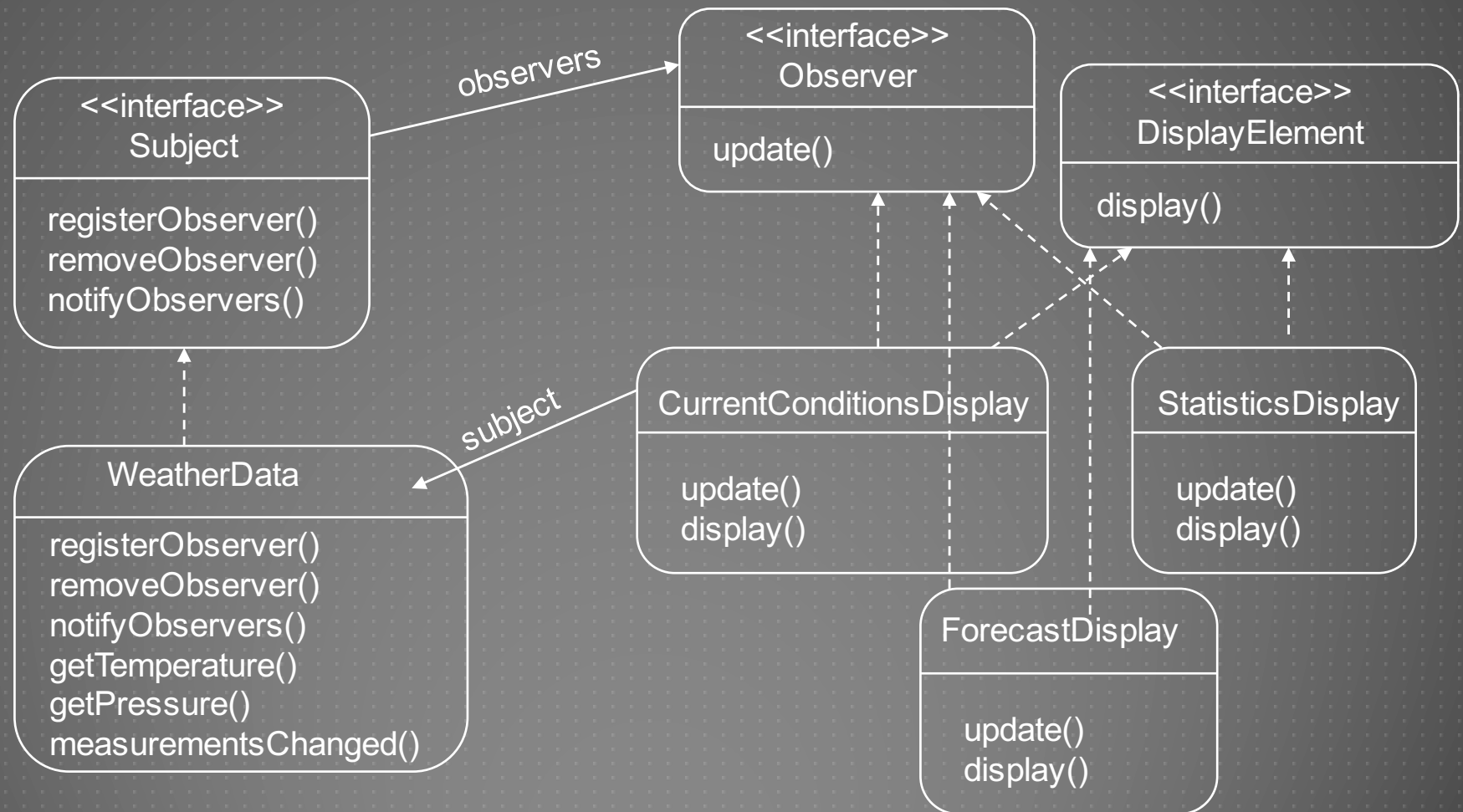
```
public void notifyObservers() {  
    for (int i = 0; i < observers.size(); i++) {  
        Observer observer = (Observer)observers.get(i);  
        observer.update(temperature, humidity, pressure);  
    }  
}
```

```
public void measurementsChanged() {  
    notifyObservers();  
}
```

OBSERVER PATTERN – CLASS DIAGRAM



OBSERVER PATTERN – WEATHER DATA



OBSERVER PATTERN – POWER OF LOOSE COUPLING



- ▶ The only thing that the subject knows about an observer is that it implements an interface
- ▶ Observers can be added at any time and subject need not be modified to add observers
- ▶ Subjects and observers can be reused or modified without impacting the other [as long as they honor the interface commitments]

THINK-PAIR-SHARE



- ▶ In the observer pattern, which of the following types of changes are easily accommodated?
 - ▶ (A) adding a new type of observer
 - ▶ (B) adding a new type of subject
 - ▶ (C) selectively notifying different observers

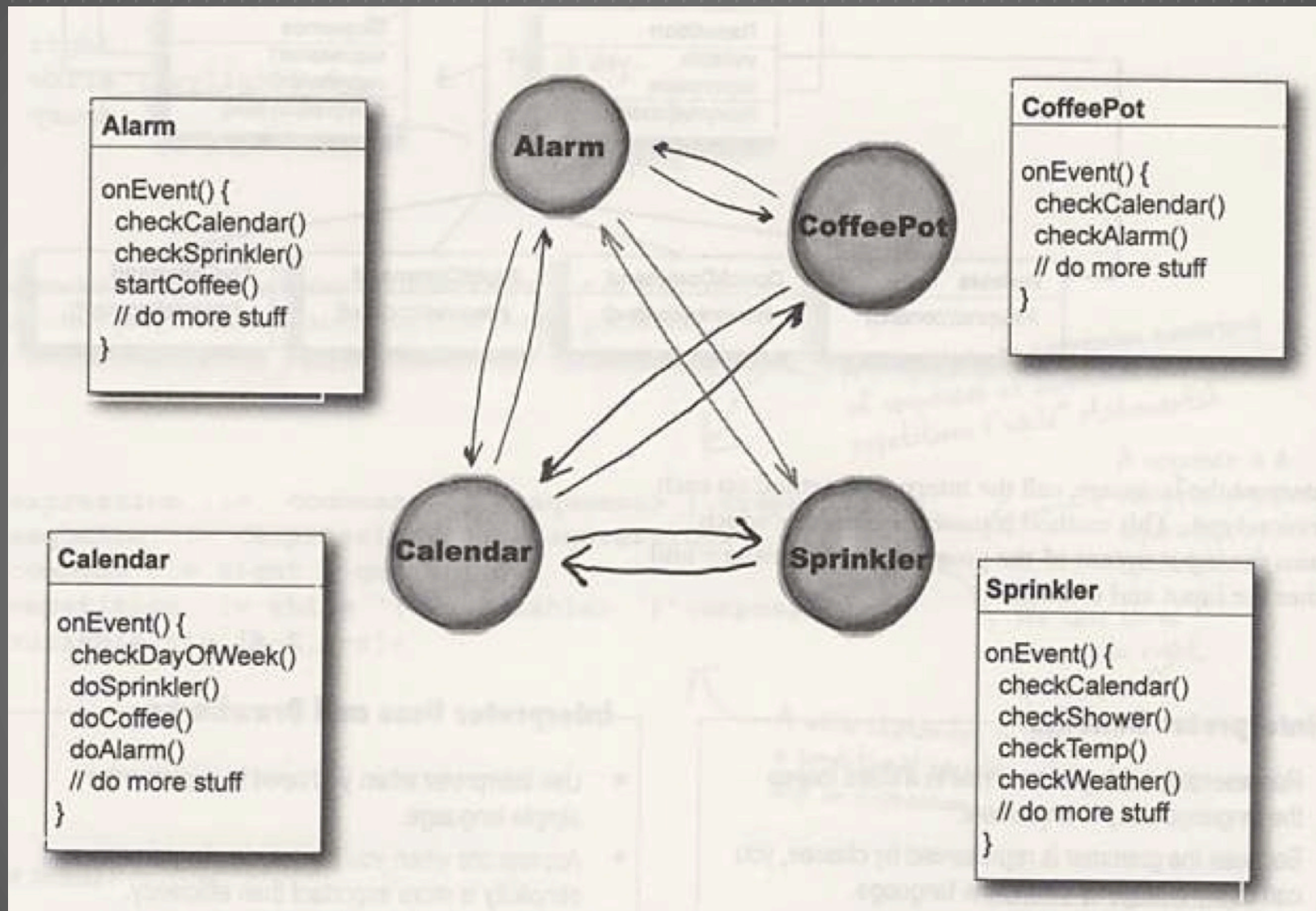
MEDIATOR



MEDIATOR

- ▶ To centralize complex communications and control between related objects
- ▶ Scenario:
 - ▶ Bob had a Java enabled auto-house.
 - ▶ All of his appliances are designed to make his life easier
 - ▶ When Bob stops hitting the snooze button, his alarm clock tells the coffee maker to start brewing.
 - ▶ No coffee on the weekends
 - ▶ Turn off the sprinkler 15 minutes before a shower is scheduled.

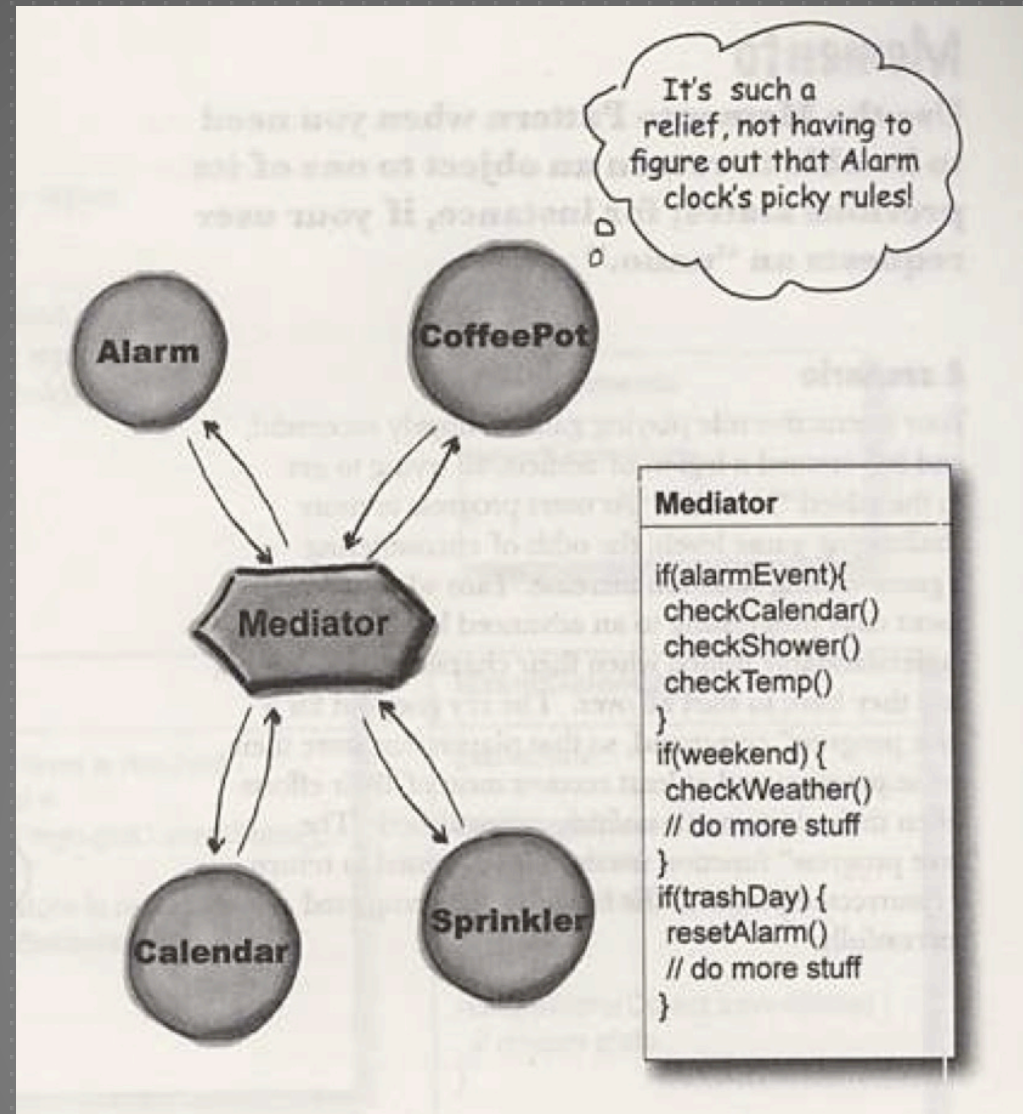
COMPLEX INTER-COMMUNICATION



MEDIATOR IN ACTION

- ▶ With a mediator added to the system all appliance objects can be greatly simplified
 - ▶ They tell the Mediator when their state changes
 - ▶ They respond to requests from the Mediator
- ▶ Before adding the mediators all objects need to know about each other

MEDIATOR IN ACTION



MEDIATOR IN ACTION

- ▶ With the mediator in place, all objects are all completely decoupled from each other.
- ▶ Mediator contains all control logic for the entire system.
- ▶ When an existing appliance needs a new rule or a new appliance is added to the system, you will know that all logic will be added to the mediator

MEDIATOR BENEFITS



- ▶ Increase the reusability of the objects supported by the Mediator by decoupling them from the system
- ▶ Simplifies maintenance of the system by centralizing control logic
- ▶ Simplified and reduces the variety of messages sent between objects in the system

MEDIATOR DRAWBACKS



- ▶ Without proper design, the mediator object itself can become overly complex.
- ▶ Mediator also exposes a single point of vulnerability and complexity.

RECAP

- ▶ The Strategy Pattern defines a family of algorithms, and it lets the algorithm vary independently from clients that use it.
- ▶ The Observer Pattern defines a one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all of its dependents are notified and updated automatically.
- ▶ The Mediator Pattern encapsulates many to many dependencies between objects.

QUESTIONS?