Mediator



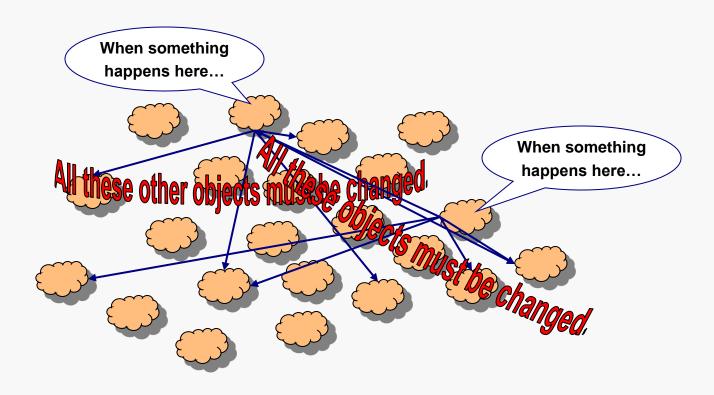
Mediator Intent

Define <u>an object</u> that encapsulates how a <u>set of objects interact</u>. Mediator promotes loose coupling by keeping objects from referring to each other explicitly, and it lets you <u>vary their interaction</u> <u>independently</u>.

(Behavioral)

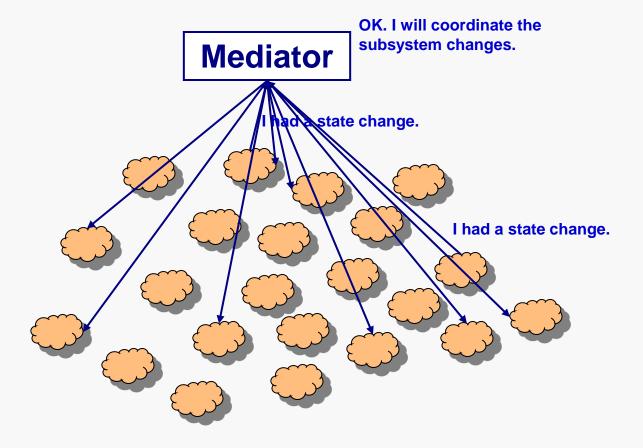


When objects in a subsystem interact, they often become tightly coupled.



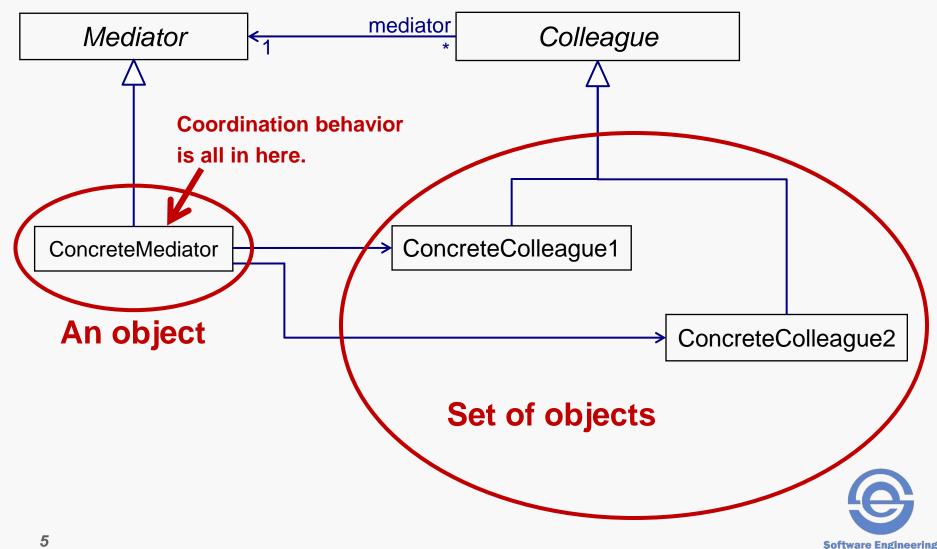


Mediator lets you separate out the coordination behavior to one location.



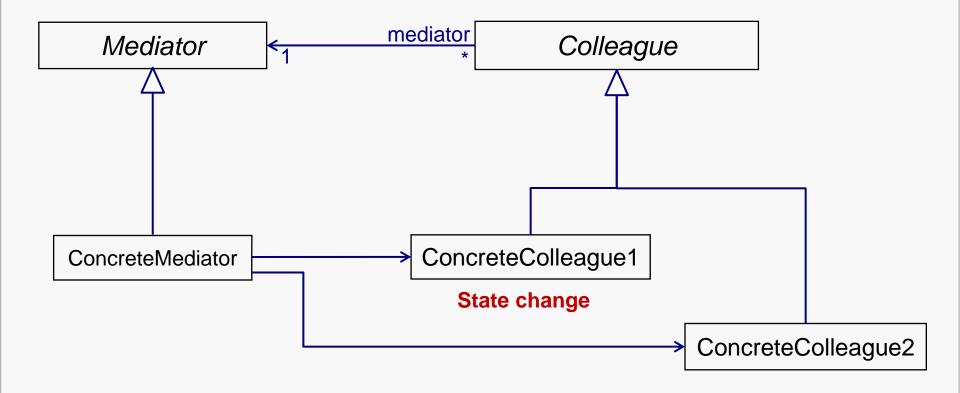


The Mediator pattern has a very simple structure.



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The coordination activity all resides in the mediator relieving subsystem objects of this duty.





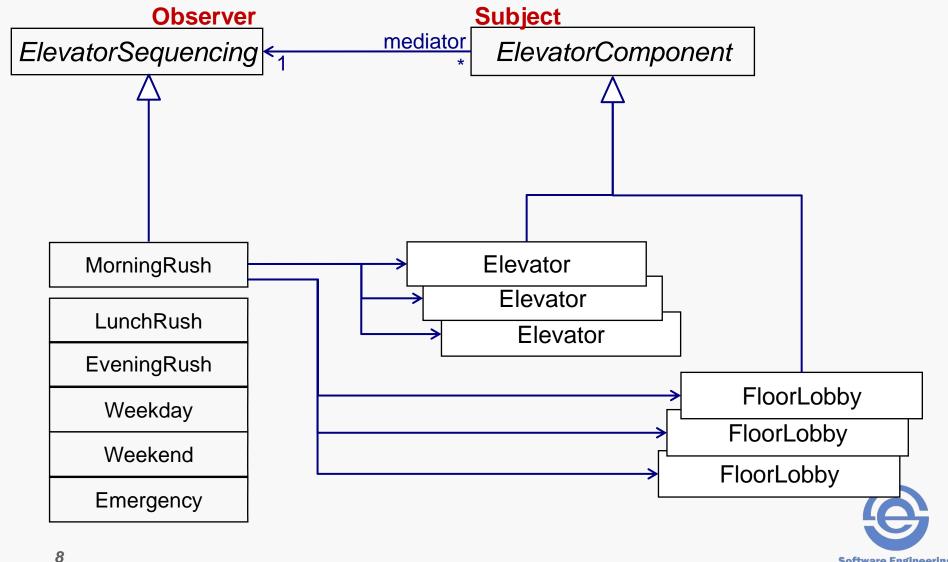
Controlling a bank of elevators is an application that could benefit from use of the Mediator pattern.



- Set of objects
 - Elevators, floor buttons
 - Floor lobby call signals
- Coordinating behaviors
 - Morning rush, lunch, evening
 - Weekday
 - Weekend
 - Emergency



You can mediate using the stock pattern with a little help from an observer.



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And maybe if you go up one layer, this is part of something too.

