

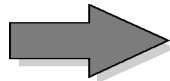
Analysis Patterns

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What we will cover



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Observation
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Accounting
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How to use
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*...projects fail despite the latest technology
for lack of ordinary solutions.*

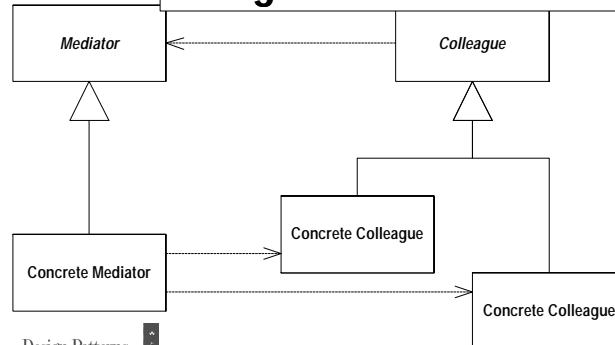
Ralph Johnson and Ward Cunningham

- ❑ “Gang of Four”: Design Patterns book
- ❑ Pattern Languages of Programming (PLoP) conferences

A *pattern* is an idea that has been useful in one practical context and will probably be useful in others.
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Design Pattern: *Mediator*



- ❑ Define an object that encapsulates how a set of objects interact.

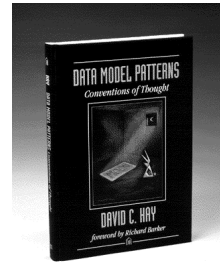
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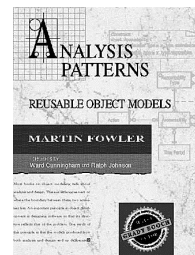
David Hay

- Relational data models
- Not connected with patterns community, but still patterns
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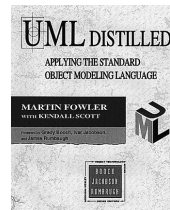


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- OO conceptual models
- Healthcare, Accounting, Financial Trading, Planning
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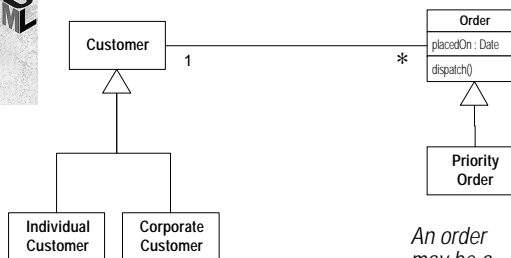


Notation



Each customer may have many orders

Each order has a single customer

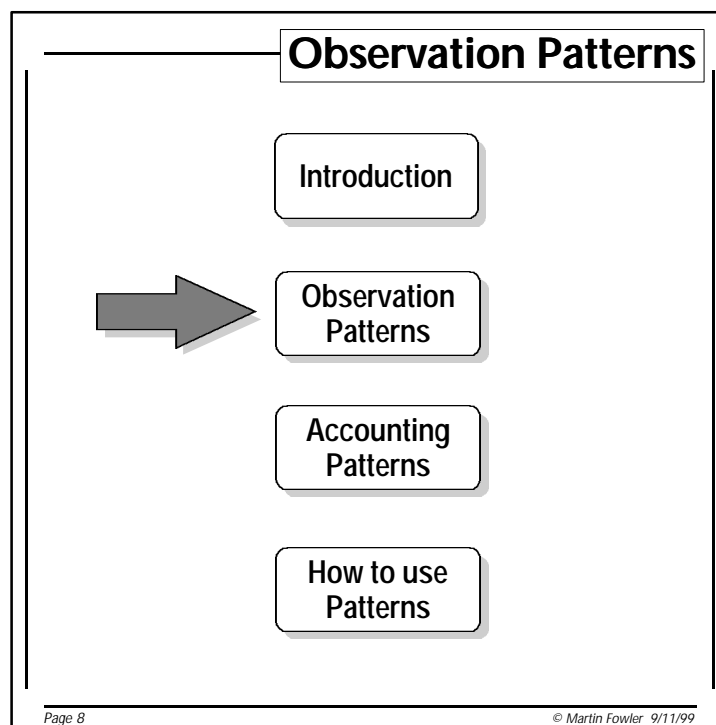
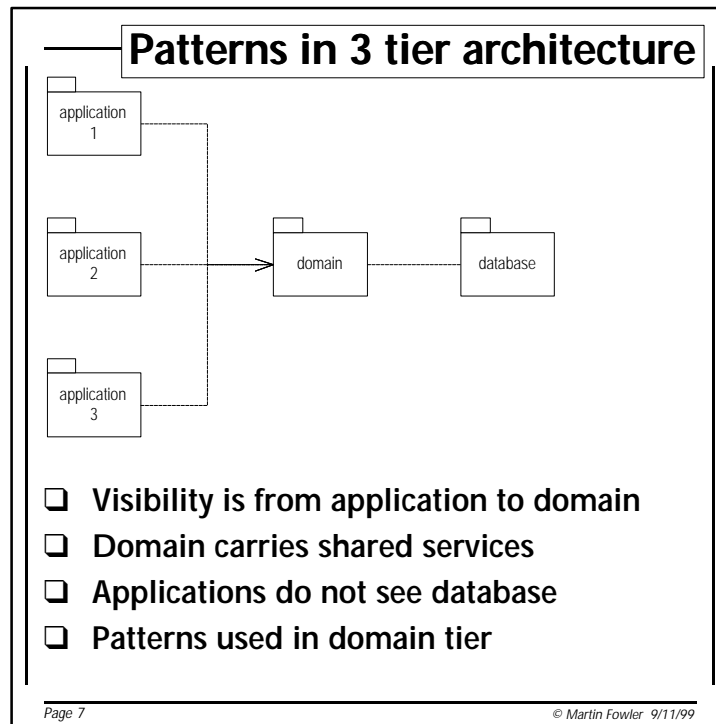


A customer may be a corporate customer or an individual customer

An order may be a priority order

Interface *not* implementation

Martin Fowler with Kendall Scott, *UML Distilled: Applying the Standard Object Modeling Language*, Addison-Wesley 1997



Attributes of Person

Person
height : Number weight : Number blood glucose level : Number

What are the problems with this model?

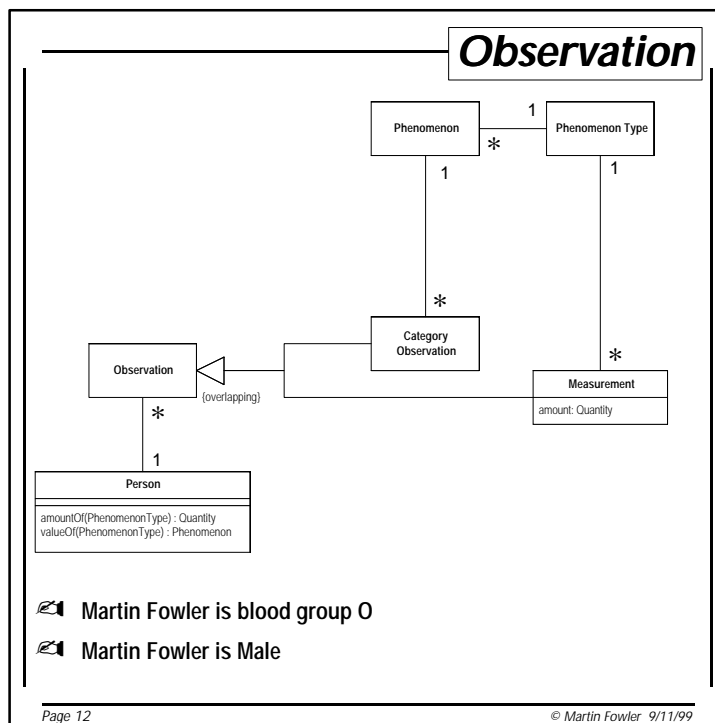
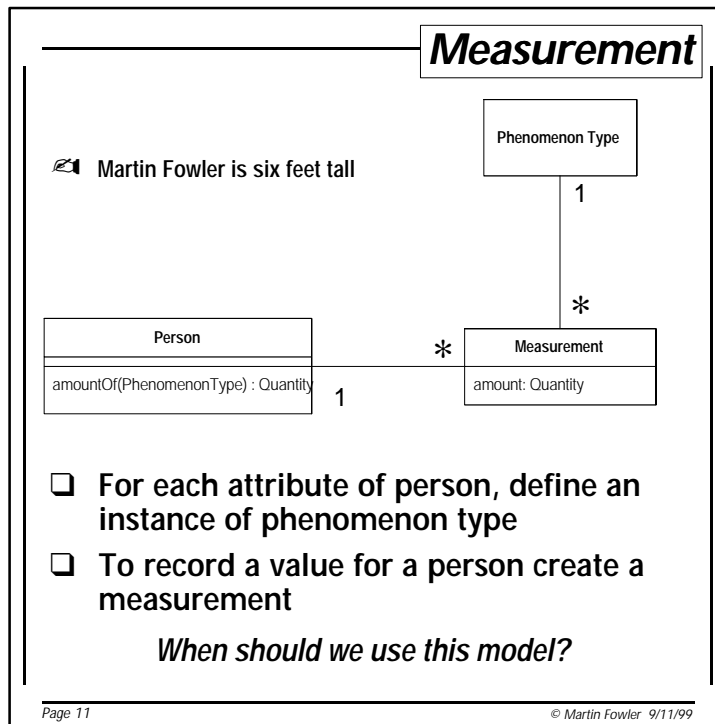
Quantity

Person
height : Quantity weight : Quantity blood glucose level : Quantity

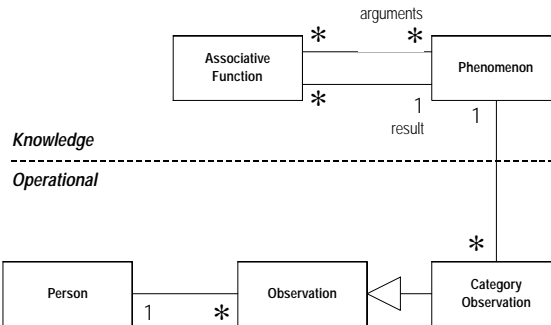
Quantity
amount: Number units: Unit
$+$, $-$, $*$, $/$ $<$, $>$, $=$, $<=$, $>=$ as(Unit) : Quantity toString() : String valueOf(String) : Quantity

- Define arithmetic operations for quantity
- Money is a kind of quantity
- Use *Conversion Ratio* to convert to other units

What if there are tens or hundreds of attributes?



Knowledge and Operational Levels



Operational

- > regular day to day objects

Knowledge

- > Meta-Data
- > Objects that capture domain rules

Range

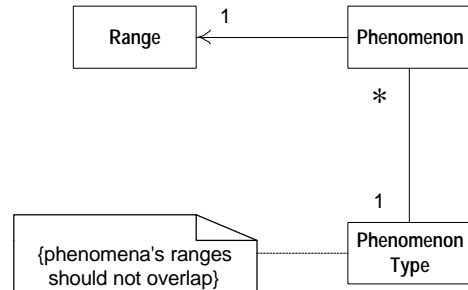
Range
upper: Magnitude lower: Magnitude isUpperInclusive: Boolean isLowerInclusive: Boolean
includes (Magnitude) : Boolean overlaps (Range) : Boolean abuts (Range) : Boolean

Magnitude
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Between 10 miles and 50 miles

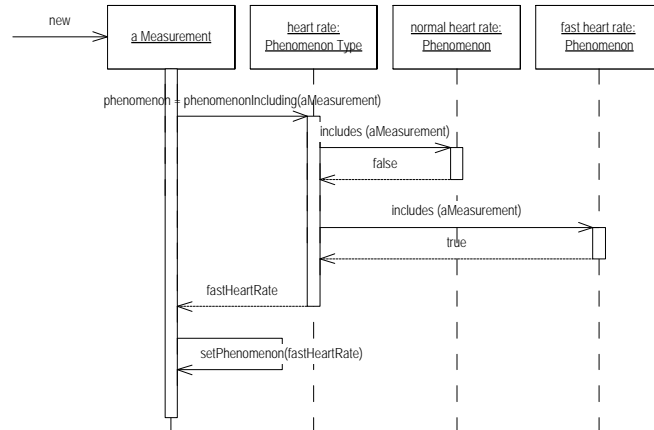
$6m < x \leq 15m$

Phenomenon with Range



Normal Heart Rate is 60–80 beats per minute

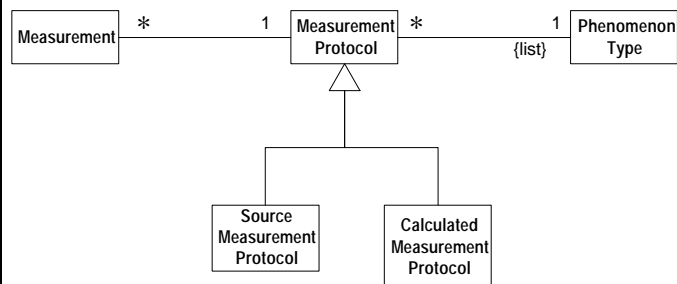
Assigning a phenomenon



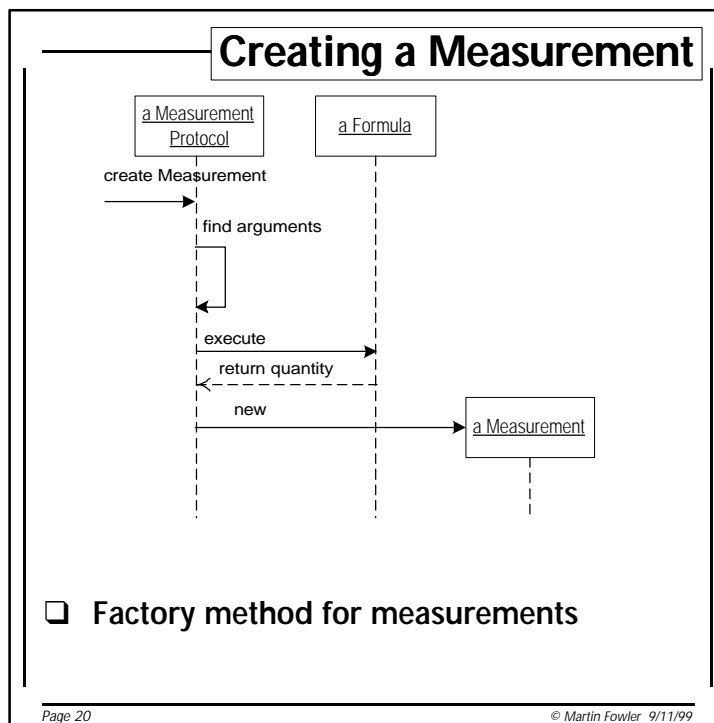
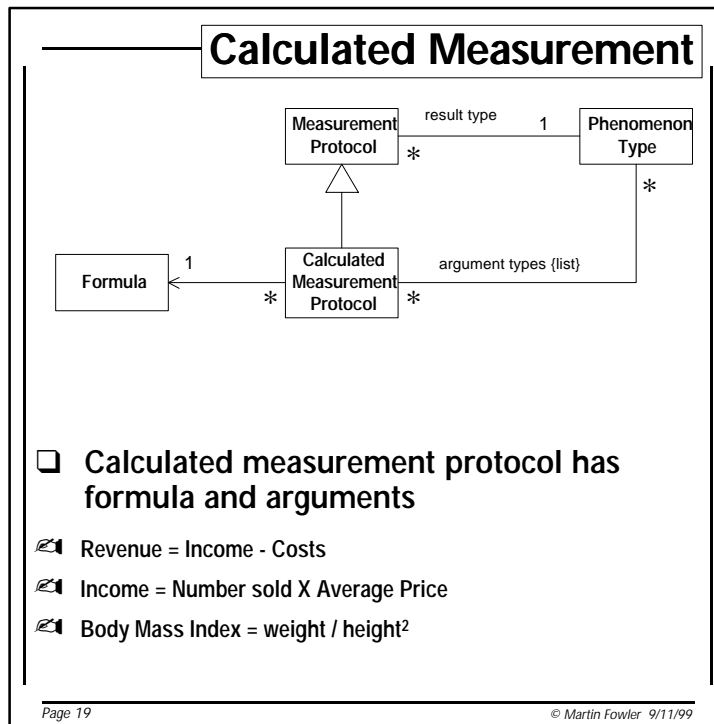
Corporate Finance Problem

- ❑ Each month we get a large number of indicators (revenue, income, units sold...)
- ❑ Each indicator is given values for good, reasonable, poor, or bad
 - If revenue is over 105 million that is good, over 95 is reasonable, over 90 is poor and under 90 is bad.
- ❑ Indicators can be calculated based on other indicators
 - Revenue = income - costs
 - Income = units sold * average price

Measurement Protocol



- ❑ Source Protocols read from external systems
- ❑ Calculated Protocols are calculations



Observation Patterns

- Quantity
- Measurement
- Observation
- Range
- Phenomenon with Range
- Measurement Protocol

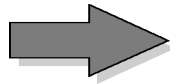
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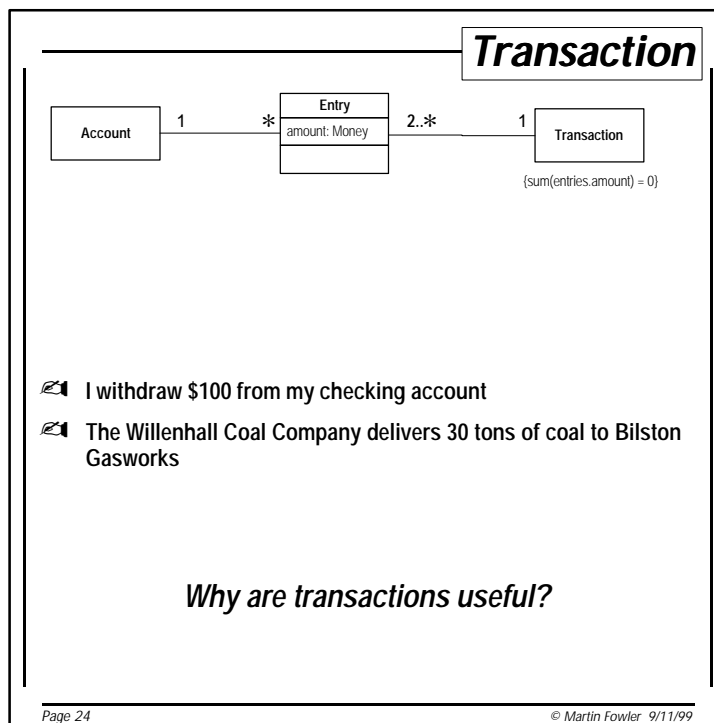
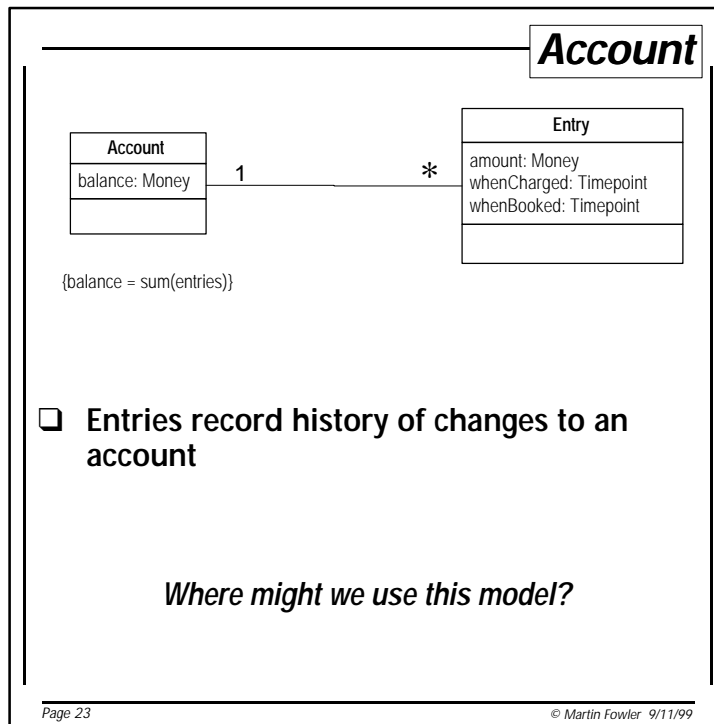
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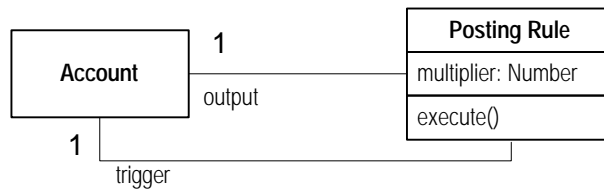
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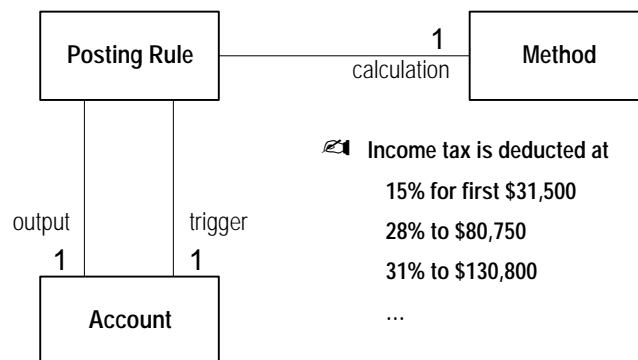


Posting Rule (simple)



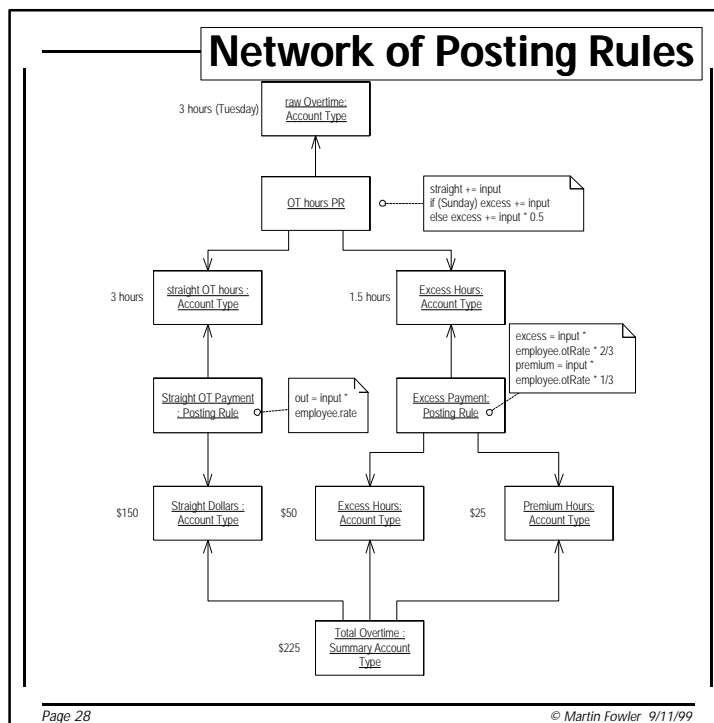
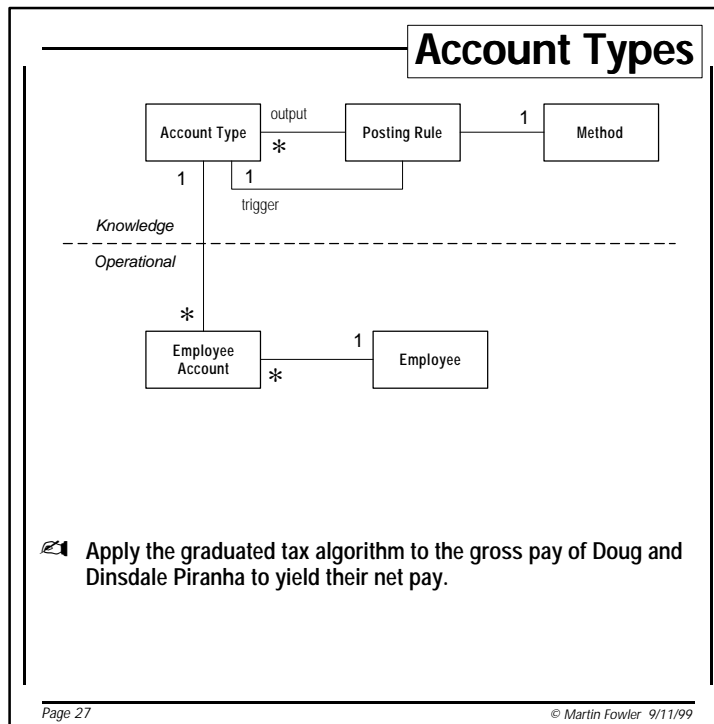
✍️ 5% of state tax is deducted from gross income

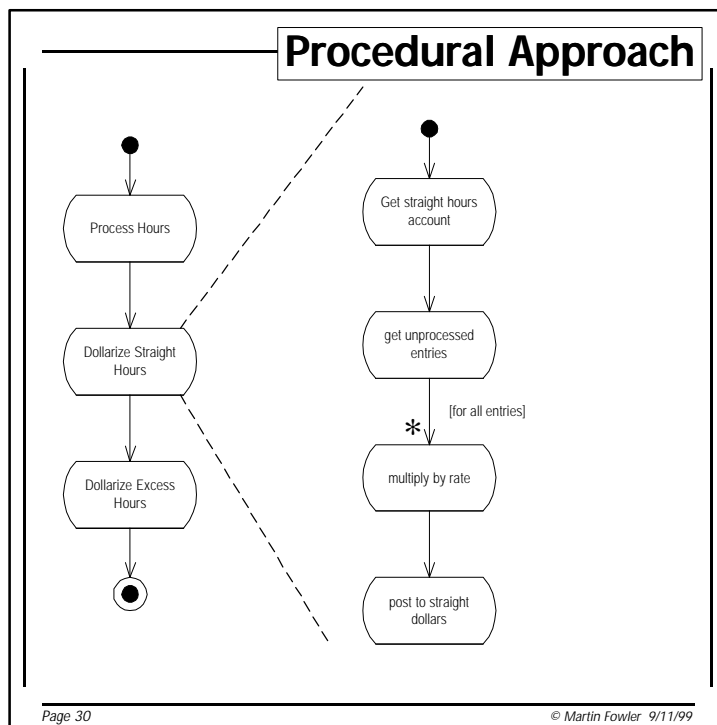
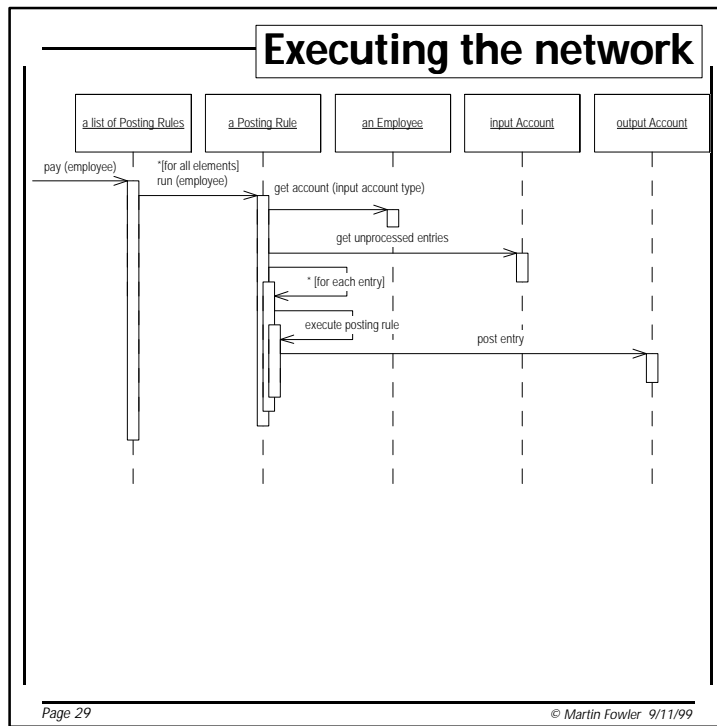
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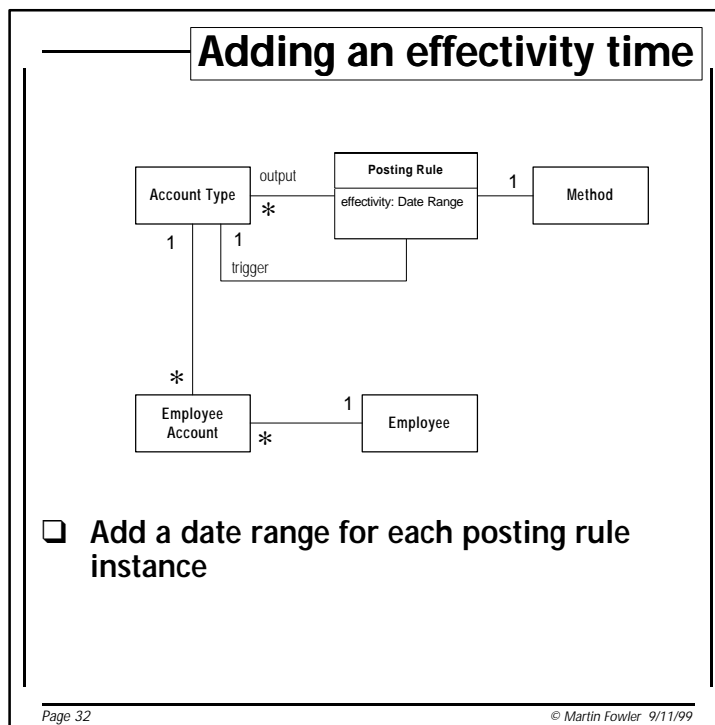
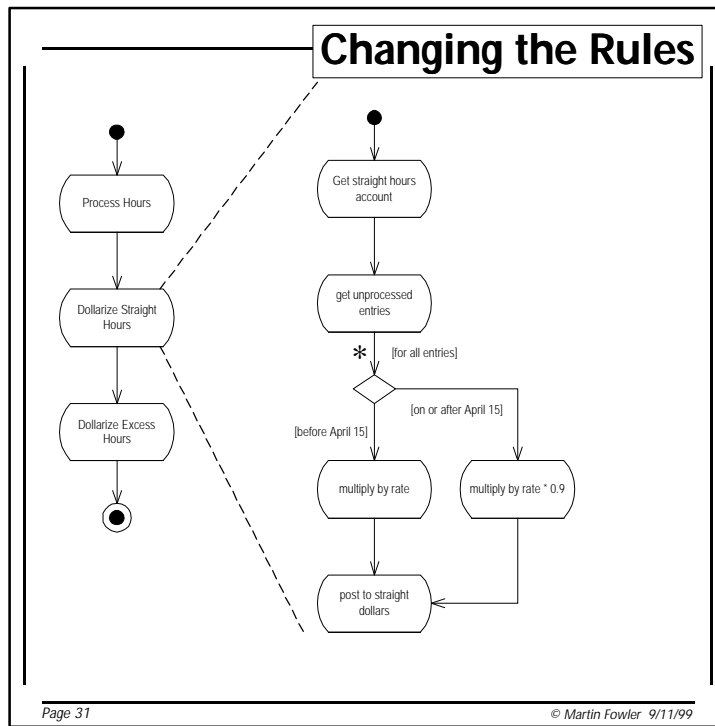


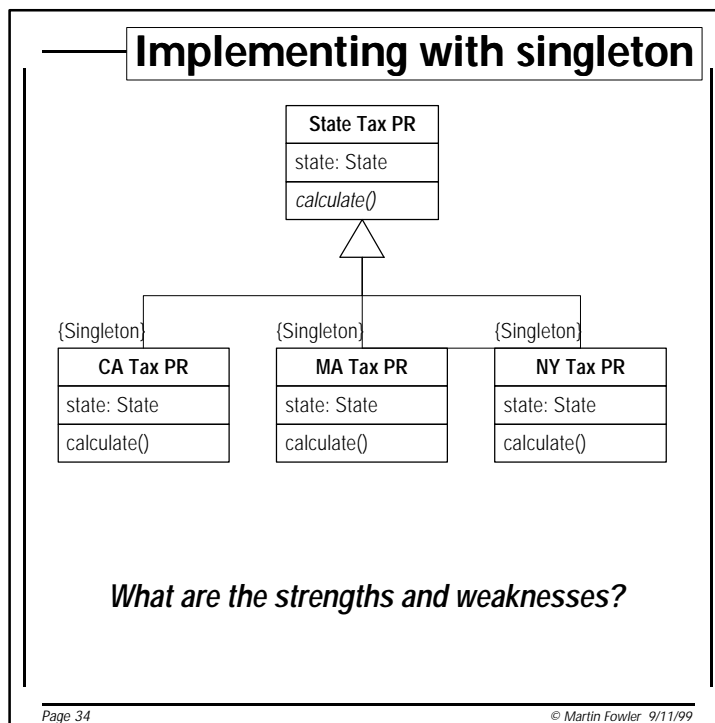
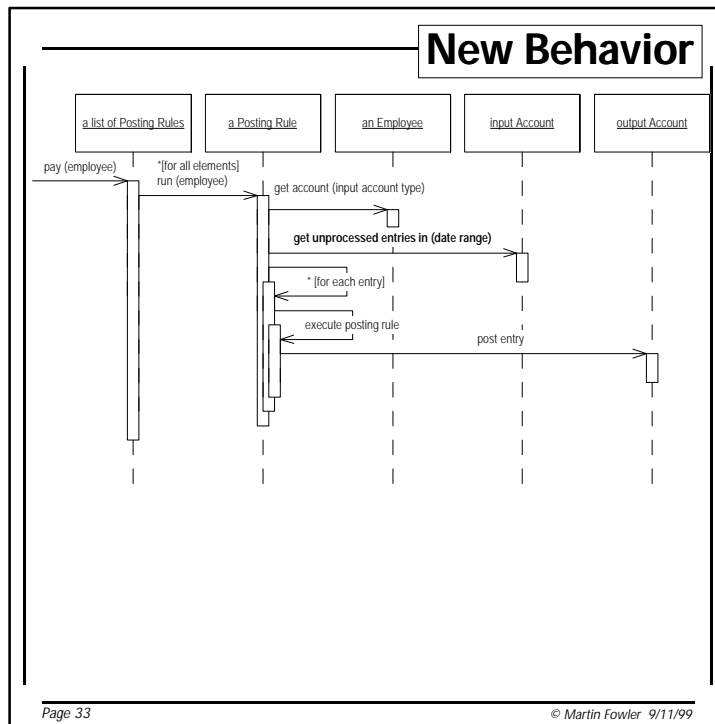
✍️ Income tax is deducted at
 15% for first \$31,500
 28% to \$80,750
 31% to \$130,800
 ...

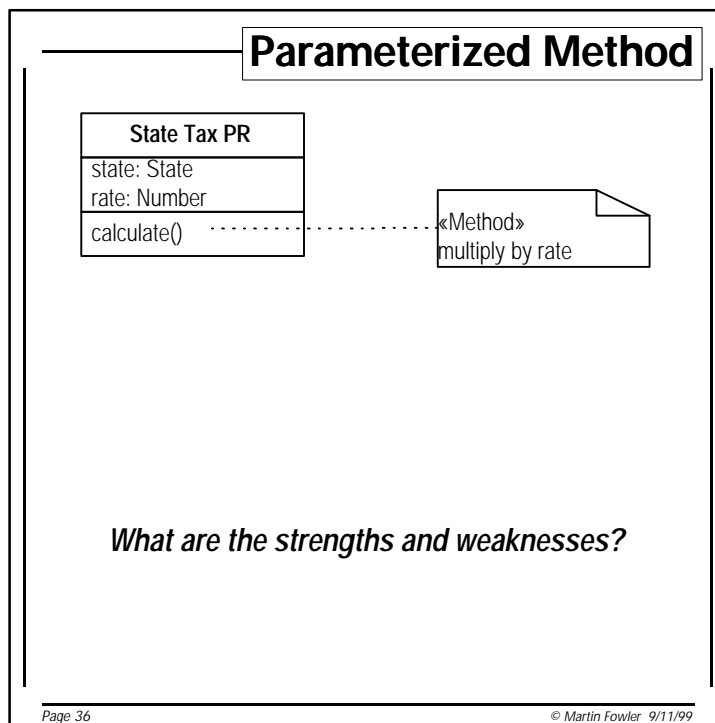
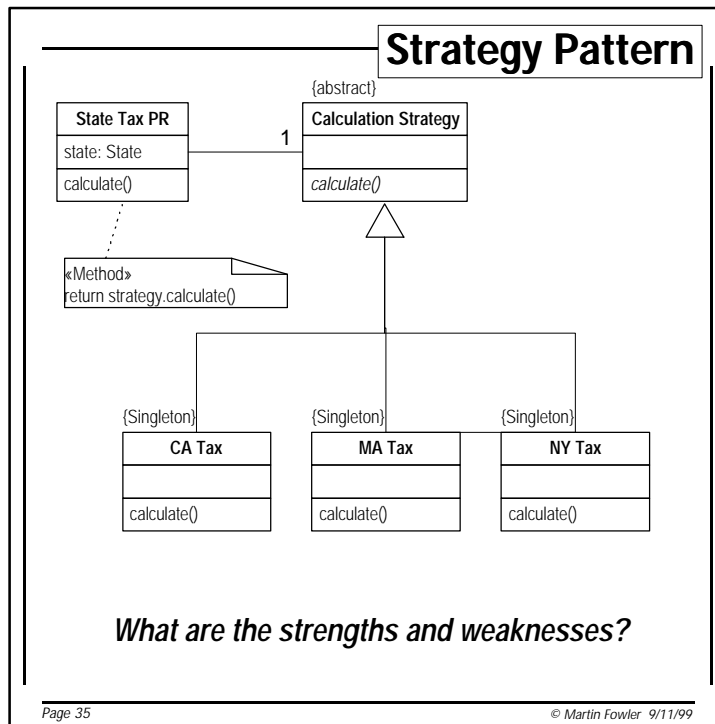
- Each instance of posting rule has its own method
- Conceptual statement



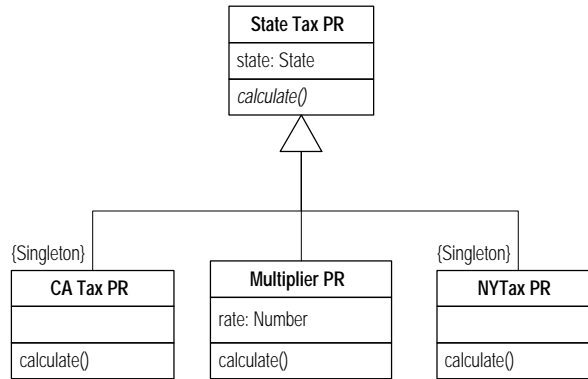








Combining Implementations



- ❑ **Combination of singleton and parameterized approaches**

Posting Rule Execution

- ❑ **Eager firing**
 - Fire when entry added to account
 - Find all posting rules looking at that account and fire them (etc, etc)
- ❑ **Posting rule based**
 - Have a coordinator which tells posting rules when to fire
- ❑ **Account based based**
 - Have a coordinator tell which accounts when to fire their outbound posting rules
- ❑ **Backward Chained**
 - When you ask an account for its balance
 - All input accounts must be asked for value (etc, etc)

Which would you choose?

Accounting Patterns

- Account
- Transaction
- Posting Rule
- Individual Instance Method
- Posting Rule Execution
- Posting Rules for Many Accounts
- Accounting Practice

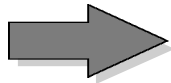
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Using Patterns

- Starting point for development
 - Inspiration to get things going
- Comparison for review
 - Why are we different to this pattern?
- Documentation of complex frameworks
 - Highlight the key patterns
- Informal standardization
- Mining from legacy systems
- Training
 - The next step after basic training

The why is at least as important as the what

Learning about Patterns

- Read the books
 - Use a book group
 - Discuss two chapters a week over lunch
- Take a training course
 - Training must emphasize using patterns
 - Instructors expertise is central
- Try using the patterns
 - You cannot understand a pattern till you have tried it
 - Trying a pattern and finding it does not fit is valuable
- Write some patterns

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Final Thoughts

- Patterns are relevant for all aspects of software engineering**
 - and for Business Process Reengineering
- Analysis patterns can be used across traditional vertical business domains**
- A model is not right or wrong, only more or less useful**
- Patterns are a starting point, not a final destination**
- Still learning about teaching, using, and discovering patterns**