

Object-Z

is a specification language extending Z so as to facilitate the specification of systems in an object-oriented style.

The view is taken that systems are composed of communicating objects.

When specifying a system in Object-Z,

- identify and specify the underlying objects;
- specify the system in terms of the communication between the underlying objects.

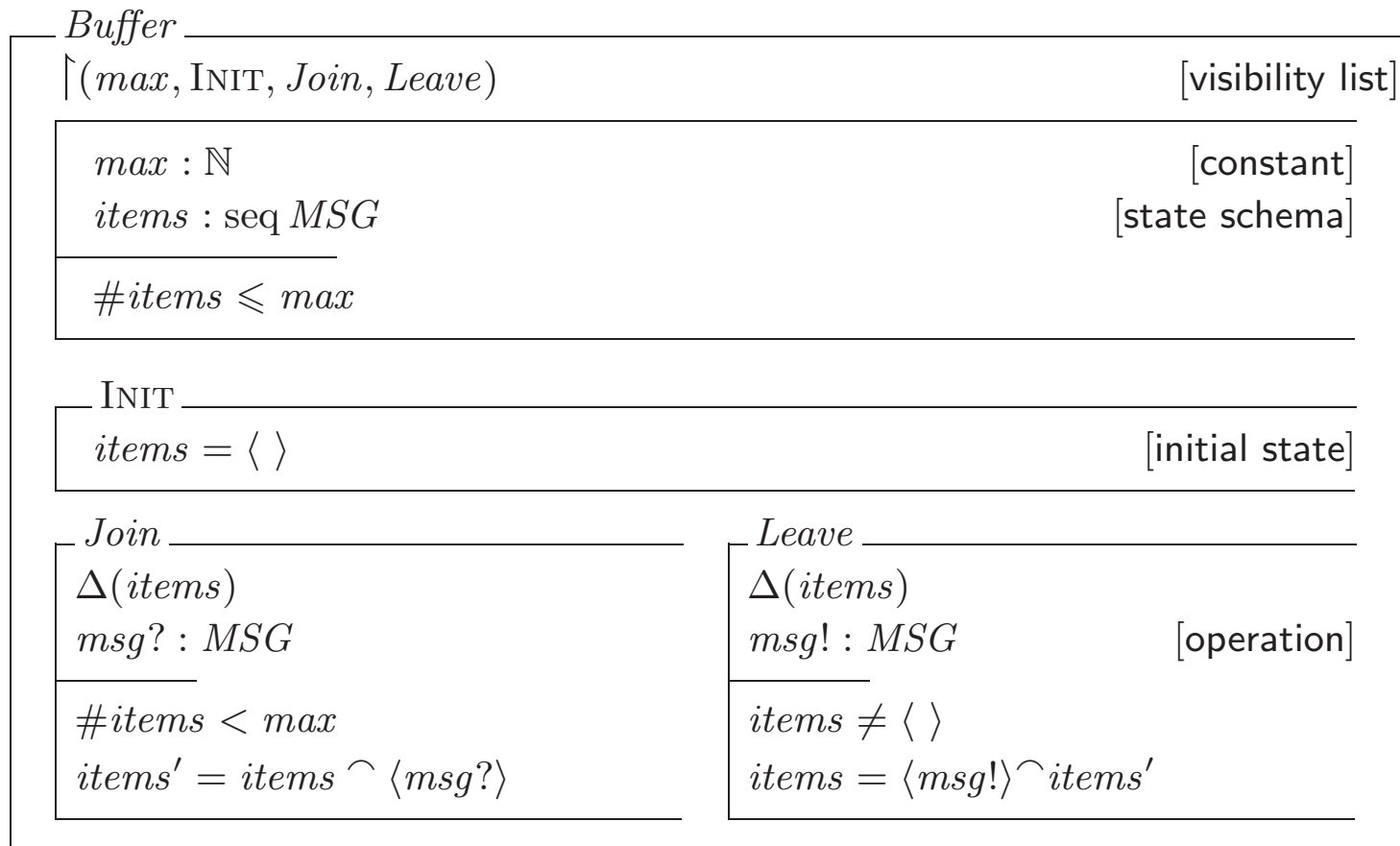
An object may itself be a system of communicating objects.

The Class Construct: Encapsulation

Class Name _____
visibility list
inherited classes
local types
state
initial state
operations

- the class construct encapsulates all relevant features; it is like a template from which objects of the class can be stamped
- the visibility list specifies the interface between object of the class and their environment
- a class incorporates all the features of its inherited classes
- local types have the syntax of Z global types
- the state, initial state and operations have a syntax based on that for Z schemas
- variables declared in the state are called **attributes**
- an instance of a class is an assignment of values to attributes consistent with the state; at any time an object of a class will have an associated value which is some instance of the class

Object-Z Case Study: A Buffer of Messages



- the state is an unnamed schema
- the state schema is implicitly merged into the initial schema

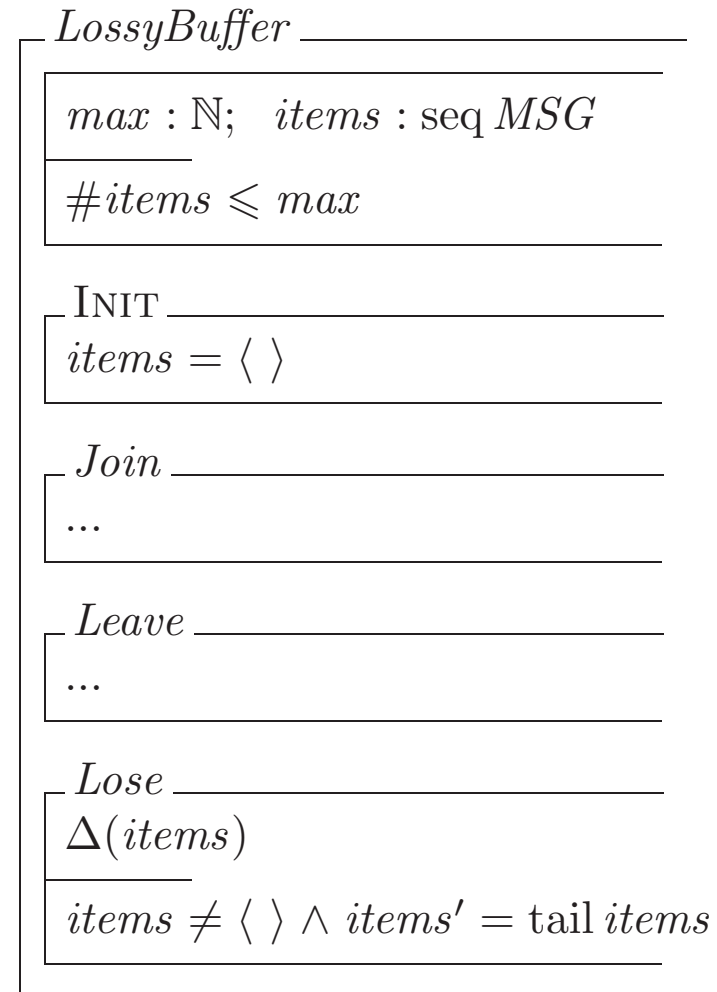
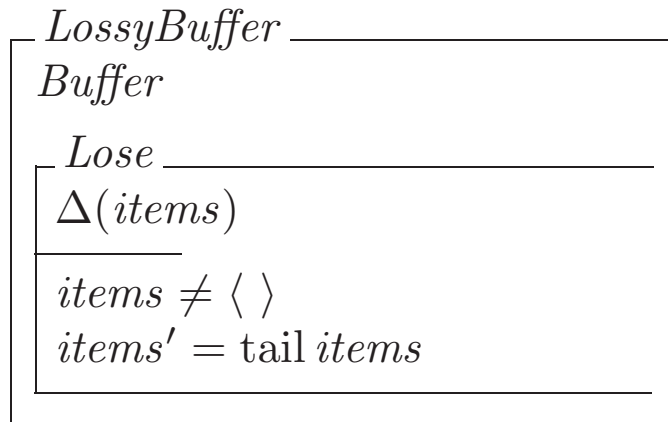
<i>INIT</i>
$max : \mathbb{N}; \quad items : seq \ MSG$
$\#items \leq max \wedge items = \langle \rangle$

- the state schema in both primed and unprimed form is implicitly merged into each operation schema

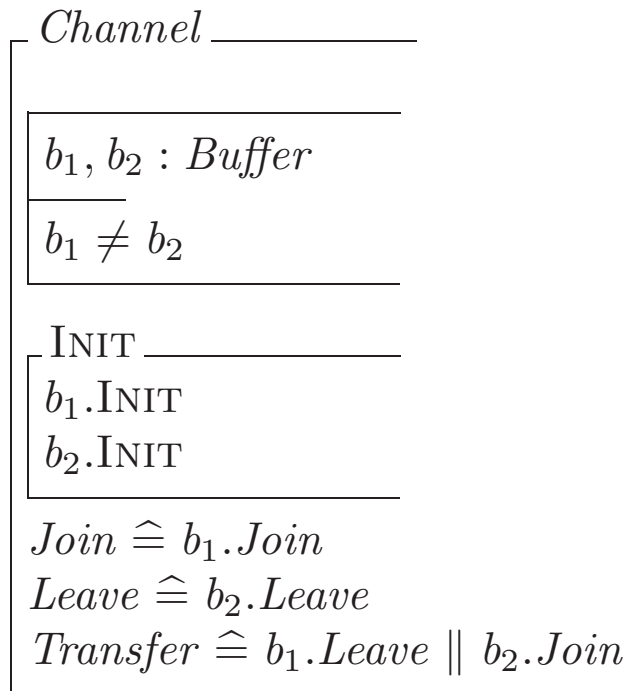
<i>Join</i>
$max, max' : \mathbb{N}; \quad items, items' : seq \ MSG$ $msg? : MSG$
$\#items \leq max \wedge \#items' \leq max \wedge \#items < max$ $items' = items \hat{\ } \langle msg? \rangle \wedge max' = max$

- the Δ convention is modified: only attributes that may change are listed—attributes not listed do not change

Inheritance



Instantiation and Communication



- an object is a variable of class type — objects are instantiations of classes
- objects have **integrity** — change state via class operations only
- objects have **persistence** — exist from creation to deallocation
- objects communicate by message passing — engage in cooperative operations

The initial schema of *Channel* is equivalent to:

$$\frac{\text{INIT}}{b_1.items = \langle \rangle \wedge b_2.items = \langle \rangle}$$

The operations of *Channel* are equivalent to:

$$\frac{\text{Join}}{msg? : MSG}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &open(b_1) \\ &\#b_1.items < b_1.max \\ &b_1.items' = b_1.items \frown \langle msg? \rangle \\ &b_1.max' = b_1.max \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\text{Leave}}{msg! : MSG}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &open(b_2) \\ &b_2.items \neq \langle \rangle \\ &b_2.items = \langle msg! \rangle \frown b_2.items' \\ &b_2.max' = b_2.max \end{aligned}$$

Transfer

$\exists msg : MSG$

$b_1.Leave[msg/msg!]$

$b_2.Join[msg/msg?]$

or

Transfer

$open(b_1, b_2)$

$b_1.items \neq \langle \rangle$

$\#b_2.items < b_2.max$

$\exists msg : MSG$

$b_1.items = \langle msg \rangle \hat{\ } b_1.items'$

$b_2.items' = b_2.items \hat{\ } \langle msg \rangle$

$b_1.max' = b_1.max$

$b_2.max' = b_2.max$

In general

- $a.op$
denotes the operation op performed upon object a ; the operation op must be one of the operations specified in the class of a

- $a.op_1 \parallel b.op_2$
denotes the operation op_1 performed upon object a , in parallel with the operation op_2 performed upon object b ; inputs and outputs having the same base name (i.e. apart from the '?' and '!') are identified (equated) and hidden

Aggregation and Identity

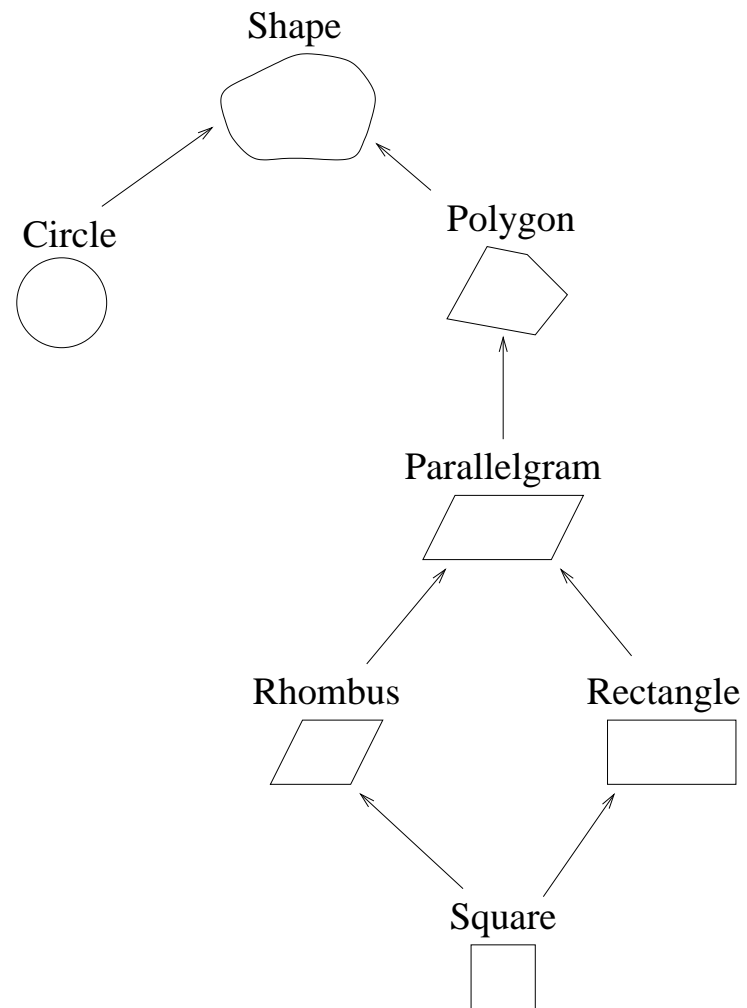
<i>BufferSystem</i>	
$buffers : \mathbb{P} Buffer$	<u>INIT</u> $buffers = \emptyset$
<u>AddBuffer</u> $\Delta(buffers)$ $b? : Buffer$	<u>RemoveBuffer</u> $\Delta(buffers)$ $b? : Buffer$
$b? \notin buffers \wedge b?.INIT$ $buffers' = buffers \cup \{b?\}$	$b? \in buffers$ $buffers' = buffers - \{b?\}$
<u>SelectBuffer</u> $b? : Buffer$	<u>Select2Buffers</u> $b_1?, b_2? : Buffer$
$b? \in buffers$	$\{b_1?, b_2?\} \subseteq buffers \wedge b_1? \neq b_2?$
$Join \hat{=} SelectBuffer \bullet b?.Join$	
$Leave \hat{=} SelectBuffer \bullet b?.Leave$	
$Transfer \hat{=} Select2Buffers \bullet b_1?.Leave \parallel b_2?.Join$	

The operations *Join* and *Transfer* are equivalent to:

<i>Join</i>
$b? : Buffer$
$msg? : MSG$
$open(b?)$
$b? \in buffers$
$\#b?.items < b?.max$
$b?.items' = b?.items \frown \langle msg? \rangle$
$b?.max' = b?.max$

<i>Transfer</i>
$b_1?, b_2? : Buffer$
$open(b_1?, b_2?)$
$\{b_1?, b_2?\} \subseteq buffers$
$b_1? \neq b_2?$
$b_1?.items \neq \langle \rangle$
$\#b_2?.items < b_2?.max$
$\exists msg : MSG \bullet$
$b_1?.items = \langle msg \rangle \frown b_1?.items'$
$b_2?.items' = b_2?.items \frown \langle msg \rangle$
$b_1?.max' = b_1?.max$
$b_2?.max' = b_2?.max$

Object-Z Case Study: A Shapes Hierarchy



$Vector == \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

$- + -: Vector \times Vector \rightarrow Vector$

$|-|: Vector \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$- \perp -: Vector \leftrightarrow Vector$

Shape

$refpoint : Vector$

$perim : \mathbb{R}$

$perim > 0$

Translate

$\Delta(refpoint)$

$v? : Vector$

$refpoint' = refpoint + v?$

Circle

Shape[*centre/refpoint*, *circum/perim*]

radius : \mathbb{R}

circum = 2π *radius*

i.e.

Circle

centre : *Vector*

circum : \mathbb{R}

radius : \mathbb{R}

circum > 0

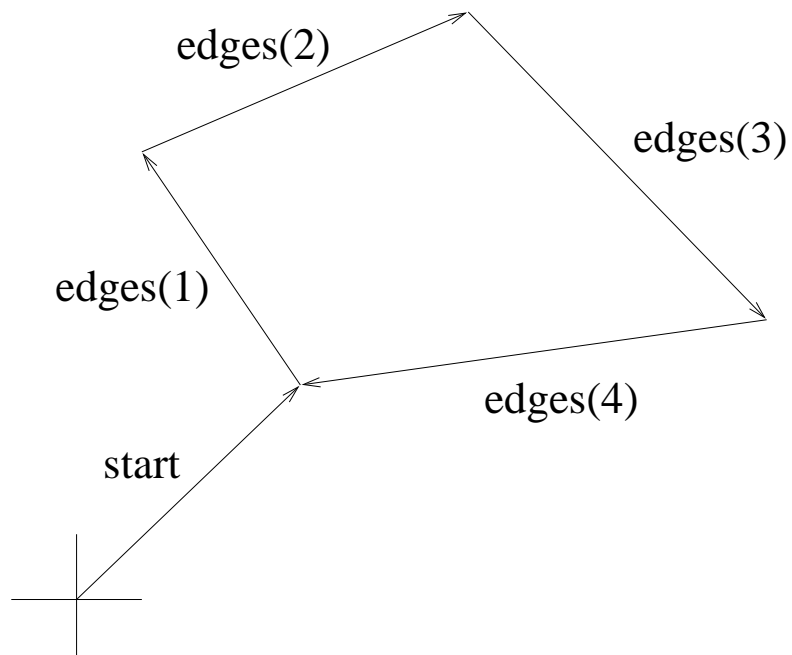
circum = 2π *radius*

Translate

Δ (*centre*)

v? : *Vector*

centre' = *centre* + *v?*



Polygon _____
Shape[*start/refpoint*]

edges : seq *Vector*

 $\#edges \geq 3$
 $\mathbf{O} \notin \text{ran } edges$
 $(\sum i : \text{dom } edges \bullet edges(i)) = \mathbf{O}$
 $perim = \sum i : \text{dom } edges \bullet |edges(i)|$
 ... [connectivity ...]

Parallelogram

Polygon

$$\#edges = 4$$

$$edges(1) + edges(3) = \mathbf{0}$$

Rhombus

Parallelogram

$$|edges(1)| = |edges(2)|$$

Rectangle

Parallelogram

$$edges(1) \perp edges(2)$$

Square

Rhombus

Rectangle

Expanding *Square* gives

Square

$start : Vector$

$perim : \mathbb{R}$

$edges : seq\ Vector$

$\#edges = 4 \wedge \mathbf{O} \notin \text{ran } edges$

$(\sum_{i : \text{dom } edges} i \bullet edges(i)) = \mathbf{O}$

$perim = \sum_{i : \text{dom } edges} |edges(i)|$

$edges(1) + edges(3) = \mathbf{O}$

$|edges(1)| = |edges(2)| \wedge edges(1) \perp edges(2)$

Translate

$\Delta(start)$

$v? : Vector$

$start' = start + v?$

Figure

$shapes : \mathbb{P} \downarrow Shape$

$totalperim : \mathbb{R}$

$totalperim = \sum s : shapes \bullet s.perim$

SelectShape

$s? : \downarrow Shape$

$s? \in shapes$

$ShapeTranslate \hat{=} SelectShape \bullet s?.Translate$

$FigureTranslate \hat{=} \parallel s : shapes \bullet s.Translate$

i.e.

FigureTranslate

$v? : Vector$

$\forall s : shapes \bullet s.Translate$

FigureTranslate

$v? : Vector$

$\forall s : shapes \bullet$

$open(s)$

$s.refpoint' = s.refpoint + v?$

$s.perim' = s.perim$

Object-Z Case Study: An Electronic Key System

Informal Description

- there is a fixed set of magnetic keys
- there is a fixed set of rooms
- each key has access to a subset of these rooms
- a room may be added to the set accessed by a key
- a room may be removed from the set accessed by a key

<i>Key</i> _____
(<i>Insert</i>)
<i>Insert</i> _____
<i>key!</i> : <i>Key</i>

<i>key!</i> = <i>self</i>

<i>Keys</i> _____
(<i>keys</i> , INIT, <i>Insert</i>)

<i>keys</i> : $\mathbb{P} \textit{Key}$

INIT _____
<i>keys</i> $\neq \emptyset$

<i>SelectKey</i> _____
<i>k?</i> : <i>Key</i>

<i>k?</i> \in <i>keys</i>

<i>Insert</i> $\hat{=}$ <i>SelectKey</i> • <i>k?.Insert</i>

Room

$\{(\text{INIT}, \text{InsertedAndUnlock}, \text{Lock})\}$

$\text{Status} ::= \text{locked} \mid \text{unlocked}$

$\text{status} : \text{Status}$

INIT

$\text{status} = \text{locked}$

Inserted

$\text{room!} : \text{Room}$

$\text{room!} = \text{self}$

Unlock

$\Delta(\text{status})$

$\text{status} = \text{locked} \wedge \text{status}' = \text{unlocked}$

$\text{InsertedAndUnlock} \hat{=} \text{Inserted} \wedge \text{Unlock}$

Lock

$\Delta(\text{status})$

$\text{status} = \text{unlocked} \wedge \text{status}' = \text{locked}$

Rooms

$\uparrow(\text{rooms}, \text{INIT}, \text{Unlock}, \text{Lock})$

$\text{rooms} : \mathbb{P} \text{Room}$

INIT

$\text{rooms} \neq \emptyset$

$\forall r : \text{rooms} \bullet r.\text{INIT}$

SelectRoom

$r? : \text{Room}$

$r? \in \text{rooms}$

$\text{Unlock} \hat{=} \text{SelectRoom} \bullet r?.\text{InsertedAndUnlock}$

$\text{Lock} \hat{=} \text{SelectRoom} \bullet r?.\text{Lock}$

DataBase

$\uparrow(\text{access}, \text{INIT}, \text{AuthorizeAccess}, \text{RescindAccess}, \text{CheckAccess})$

$\text{access} : \text{Key} \leftrightarrow \text{Room}$

INIT

$\text{access} = \emptyset$

AuthorizeAccess

$\Delta(\text{access})$

$\text{key?} : \text{Key}$

$\text{room?} : \text{Room}$

$\neg (\text{key? } \underline{\text{access}} \text{ room?})$

$\text{access}' = \text{access} \cup \{(\text{key?}, \text{room?})\}$

RescindAccess

$\Delta(\text{access})$

$\text{key?} : \text{Key}$

$\text{room?} : \text{Room}$

$\text{key? } \underline{\text{access}} \text{ room?}$

$\text{access}' = \text{access} - \{(\text{key?}, \text{room?})\}$

CheckAccess

$\text{key?} : \text{Key}$

$\text{room?} : \text{Room}$

$\text{key? } \underline{\text{access}} \text{ room?}$

KeySystem

keys : *Keys*

rooms : *Rooms*

database : *DataBase*

$database.access \subseteq keys.keys \times rooms.rooms$

INIT

$keys.INIT \wedge rooms.INIT \wedge database.INIT$

$AuthorizeAccess \hat{=} database.AuthorizeAccess$

$RescindAccess \hat{=} database.RescindAccess$

$Unlock \hat{=} (keys.Insert \wedge rooms.Unlock)$

||

$database.CheckAccess$

$Lock \hat{=} rooms.Lock$

Case Study: The Game of Tic Tac Toe

An Informal View:

- there are two players and a board
- the board consists of 9 positions in a 3×3 array
- initially all positions are unoccupied
- the players take it in turns to occupy unoccupied positions
- the first player to occupy three positions in a horizontal, vertical or diagonal row is the winner

A Formal Description – Initial Abstractions

A Data Structure for the Board

$$Posn == 1..3 \times 1..3$$

the abstraction:

(1,3)	(2,3)	(3,3)
(1,2)	(2,2)	(3,2)
(1,1)	(2,1)	(3,1)

Three in a Row (1st Abstraction)

$3InRow : \mathbb{P} Posn \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$

$\forall ps : \mathbb{P} Posn \bullet$

$3InRow(ps) \Leftrightarrow$

$\{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3)\} \subseteq ps$

$\vee \{(2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3)\} \subseteq ps$

$\vee \{(3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\} \subseteq ps$

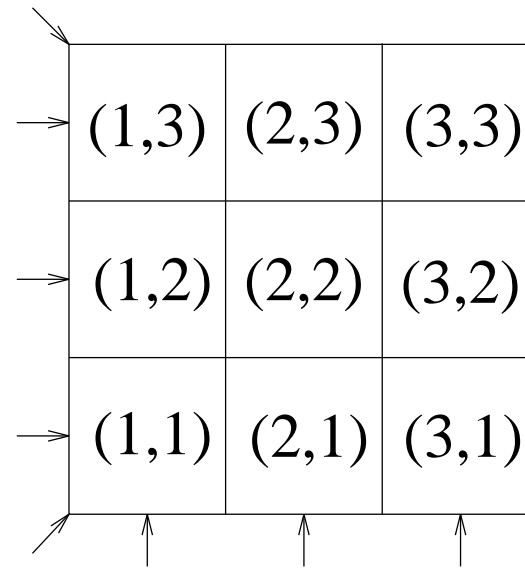
$\vee \{(1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 1)\} \subseteq ps$

$\vee \{(1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 2)\} \subseteq ps$

$\vee \{(1, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3)\} \subseteq ps$

$\vee \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\} \subseteq ps$

$\vee \{(1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 1)\} \subseteq ps$



Three in a Row (2nd Abstraction)

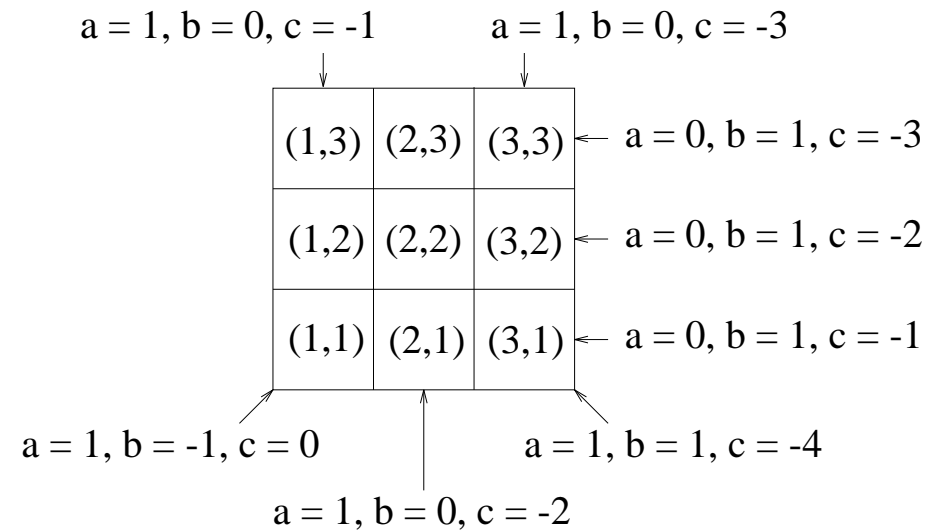
$3InRow : \mathbb{P} Posn \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$

$\forall ps : \mathbb{P} Posn \bullet$

$3InRow(ps) \Leftrightarrow \exists a, b, c : \mathbb{Z} \bullet$

$\{a, b, c\} \neq \{0\}$

$\#\{(x, y) : ps \mid ax + by + c = 0\} = 3$



$Colour ::= black \mid white$

Board

$bposn, wposn : \mathbb{P} Posn$

$turn : Colour$

$bposn \cap wposn = \emptyset$

INIT

$bposn = \emptyset$

$wposn = \emptyset$

$turn = black$

BlackMove

$\Delta(bposn, turn); p? : Posn$

$\neg \exists InRow(wposn)$

$p? \notin bposn \cup wposn$

$bposn' = bposn \cup \{p?\}$

$turn = black \wedge turn' = white$

WhiteMove

$\Delta(wposn, turn); p? : Posn$

$\neg \exists InRow(bposn)$

$p? \notin bposn \cup wposn$

$wposn' = wposn \cup \{p?\}$

$turn = white \wedge turn' = black$

The Winner

$winner! : Colour$

$\exists InRow(bposn) \vee \exists InRow(wposn)$

$\exists InRow(bposn) \Rightarrow winner! = black \wedge \exists InRow(wposn) \Rightarrow winner! = white$

Board Example: A Static View

$$bposn = \{(1, 1), (3, 3)\}$$

$$wposn = \{(2, 3)\}$$

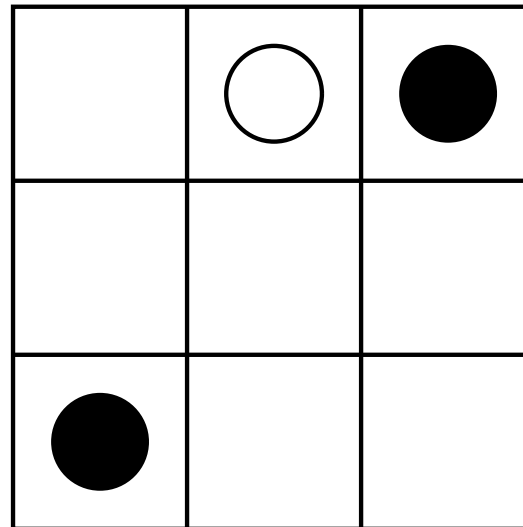
turn = white

$$3InRow(bposn) = false$$

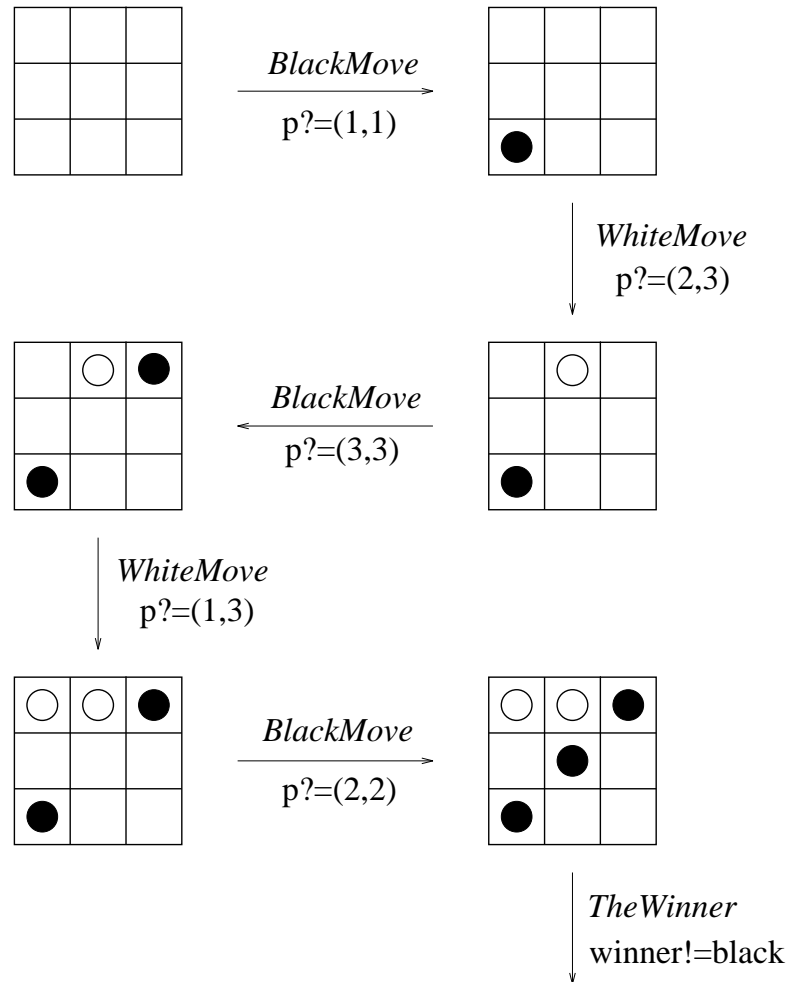
$$3InRow(wposn) = false$$

$$bposn \cap wposn = \emptyset$$

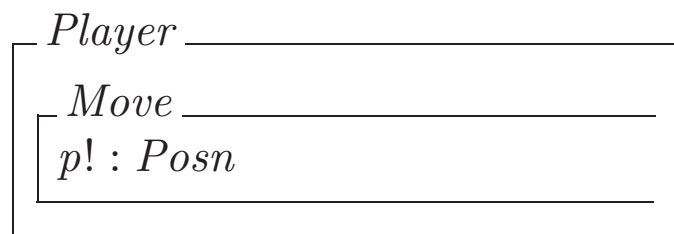
$$bposn \cup wposn \neq Posn$$



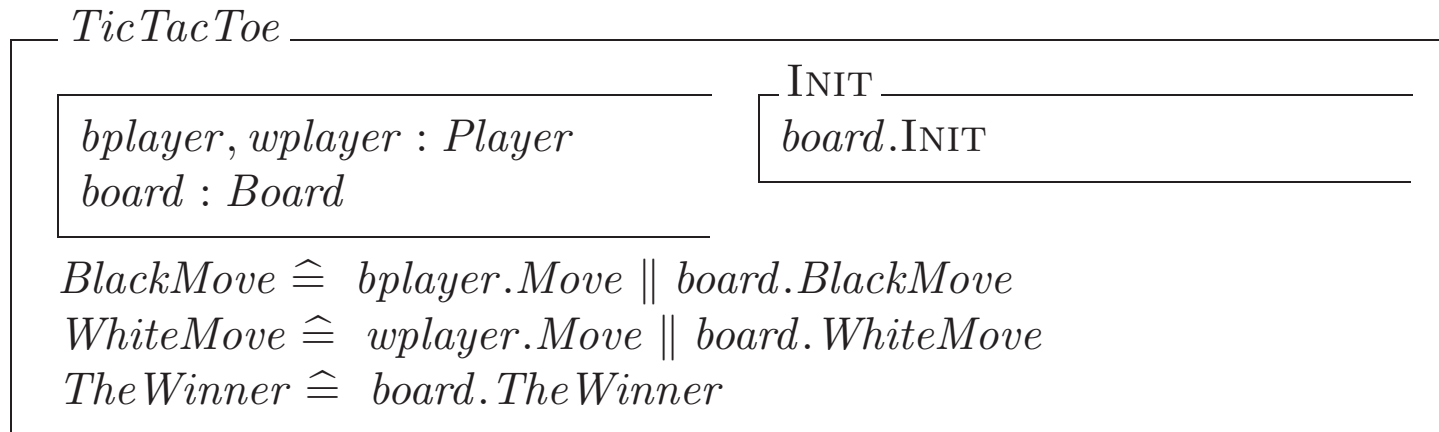
Board Example: A Dynamic View



The Player Class



The Game



The Game Communication

	<i>bplayer</i>	<i>board</i>	<i>wplayer</i>
<i>BlackMove</i>	$p! : Posn$	$p? : Posn$	
<i>WhiteMove</i>		$p? : Posn$	$p! : Posn$
<i>TheWinner</i>		$winner! : Colour$	

Operation Expressions

promotion

object.operation

indicates that the named object undergoes the named operation. This operation must be specified in the class of the object.

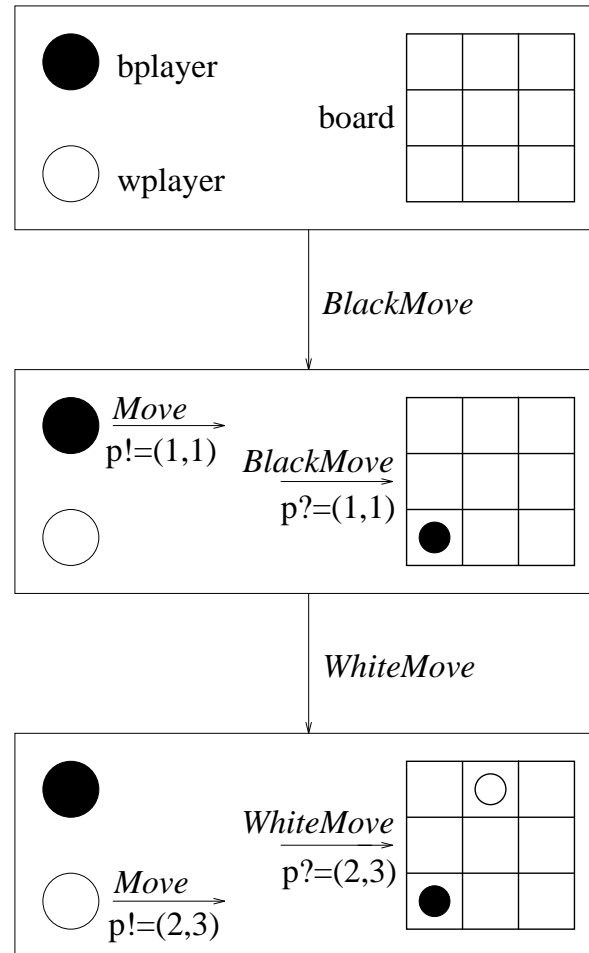
parallel operator

object₁.operation₁ || object₂.operation₂

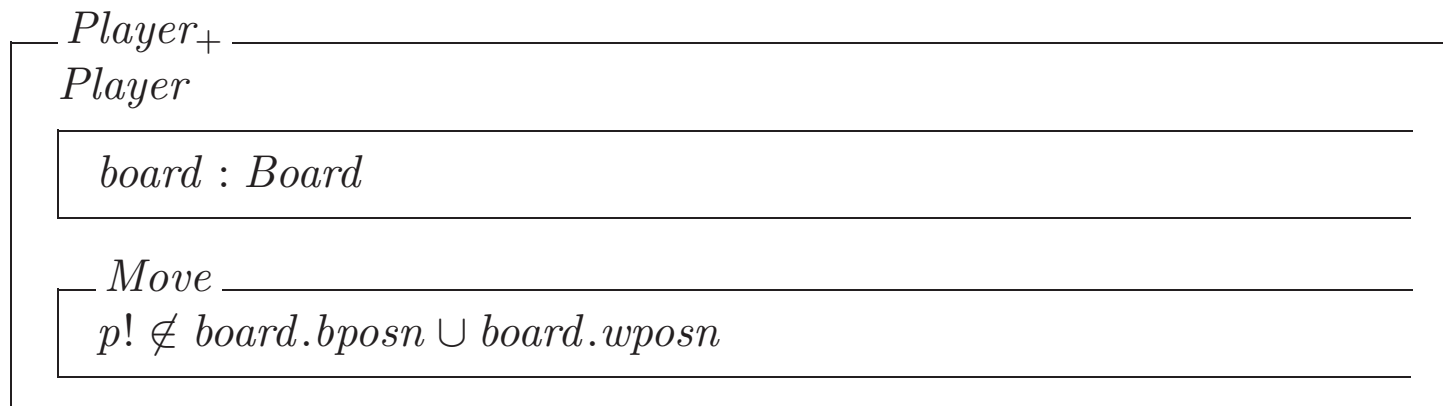
indicates that the objects synchronise, with output from the first component being identified with the same named input (apart from the ? and ! decorations) to the second component; this communication is hidden (internal).

All other input/output is with the environment.

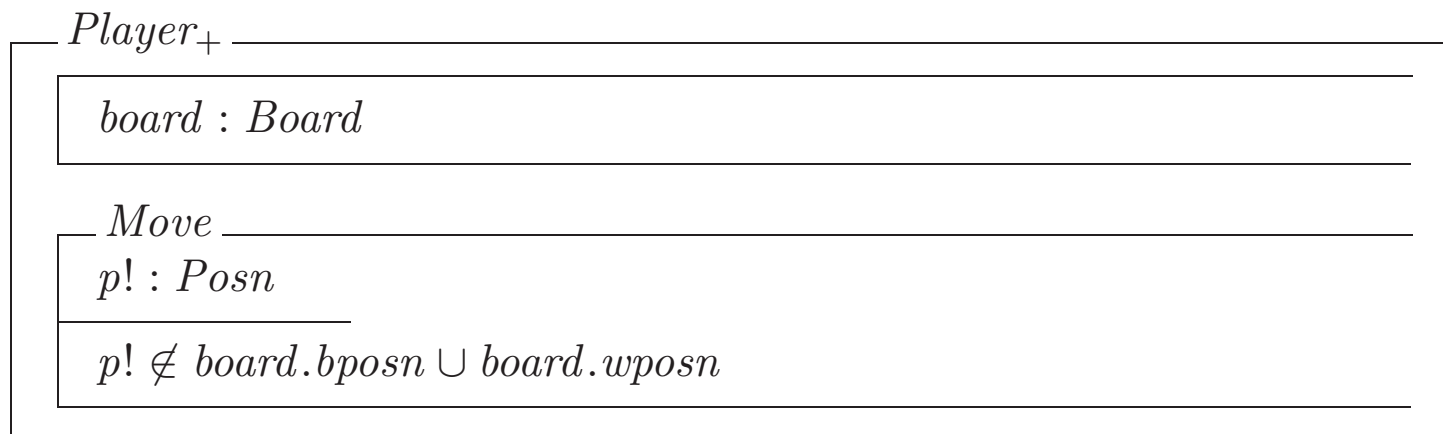
Game Example: A Dynamic View



Extending Player by Inheritance



which expands to



The Game Revisited

TicTacToe

bplayer, wplayer : Player₊
board : Board

INIT
board.INIT

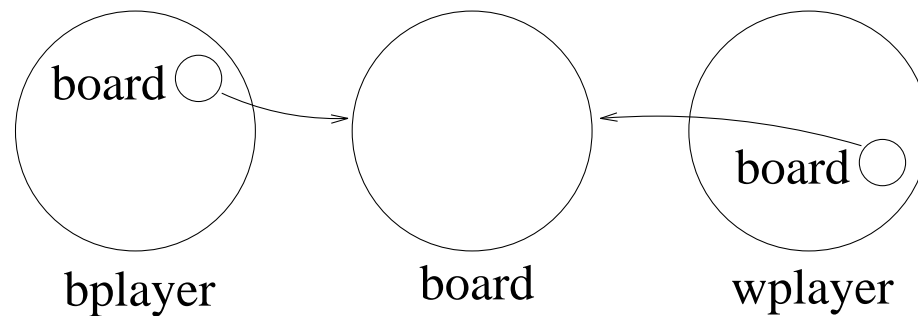
bplayer.board = board = wplayer.board

BlackMove $\hat{=}$ *bplayer.Move* || *board.BlackMove*

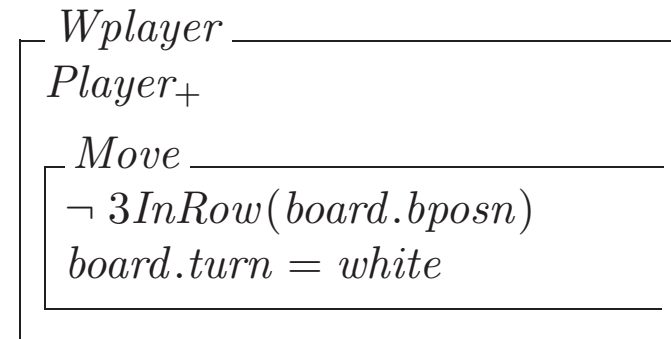
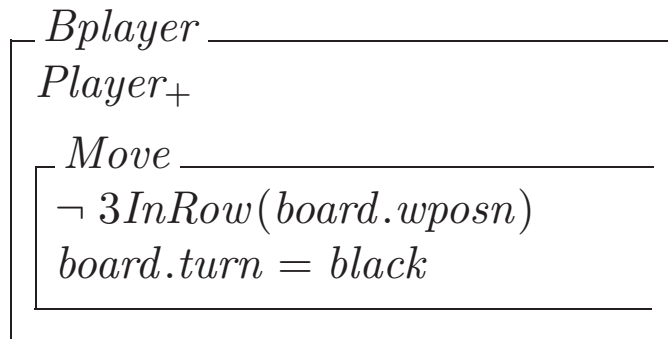
WhiteMove $\hat{=}$ *wplayer.Move* || *board.WhiteMove*

The Winner $\hat{=}$ *board.The Winner*

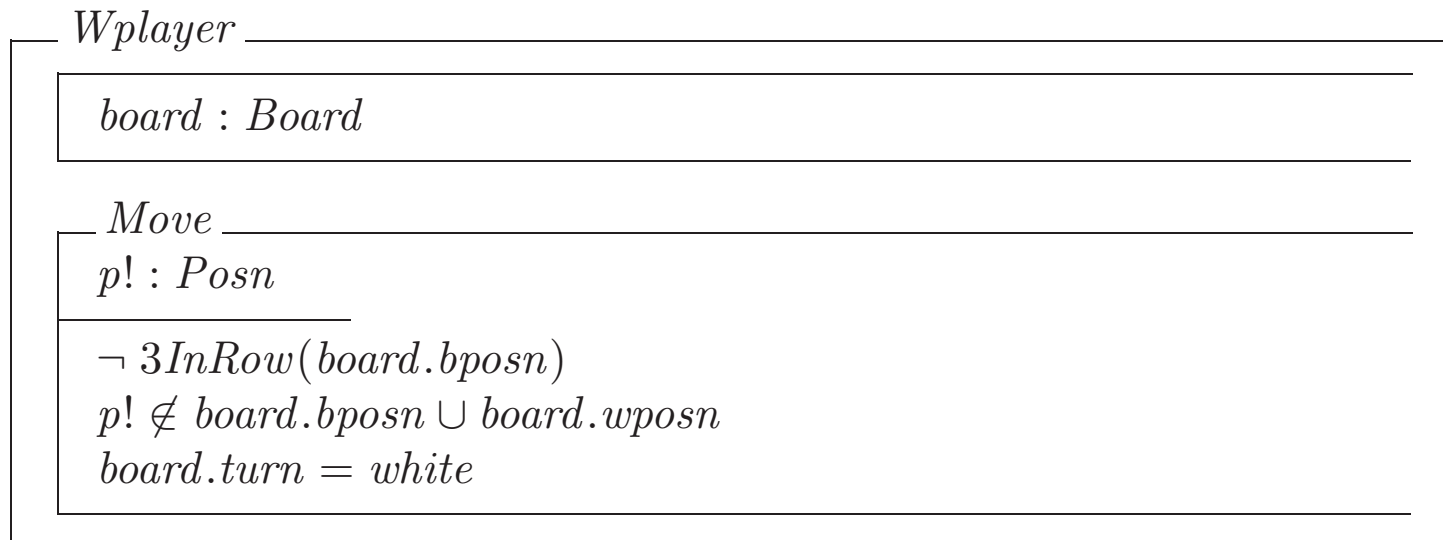
The Object Structure



Specializing Player by Inheritance



e.g. *Wplayer* expands to



The Game Again

TicTacToe

bplayer : Bplayer
wplayer : Wplayer
board : Board

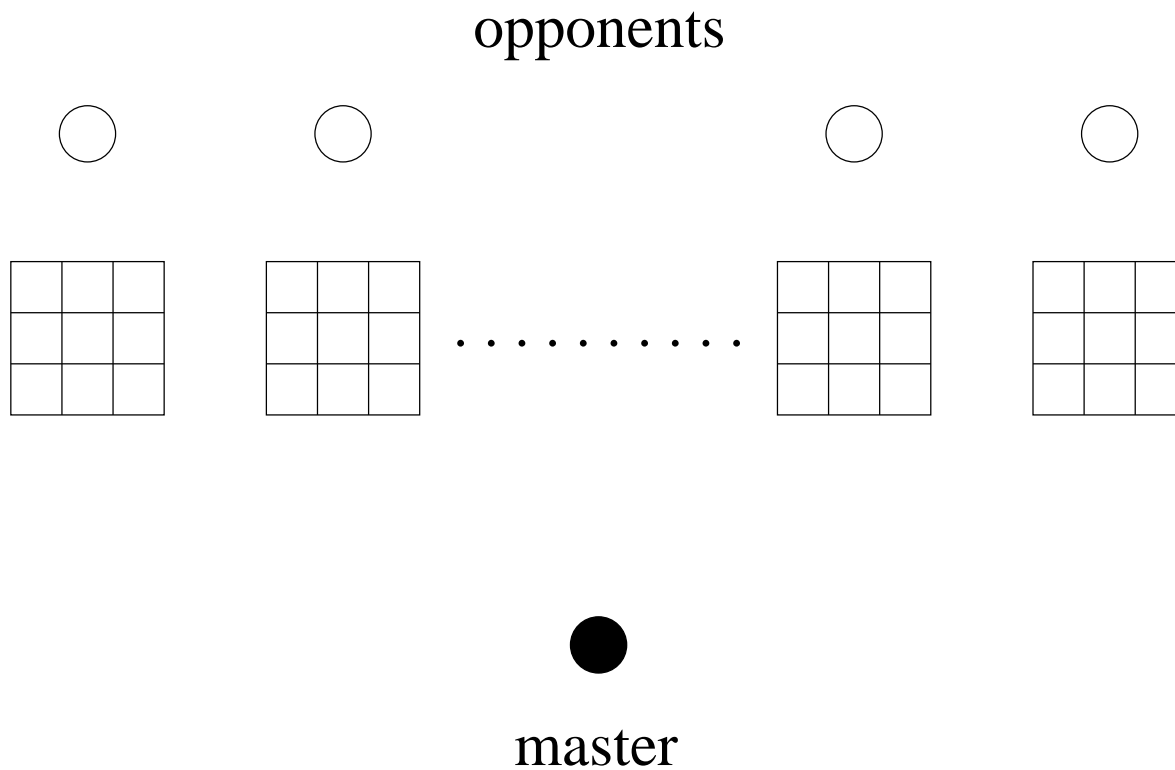
bplayer.board = board
wplayer.board = board

BlackMove $\hat{=}$ *bplayer.Move* || *board.BlackMove*
WhiteMove $\hat{=}$ *wplayer.Move* || *board.WhiteMove*
TheWinner $\hat{=}$ *board.TheWinner*

INIT
board.INIT

A Tic Tac Toe Tournament

A tic tac toe master is prepared to play any number of opponents concurrently.



An Opponent

<i>Opponent</i>
<i>Wplayer</i>
<i>Move</i>
<i>b! : Board</i>
<i>b! = board</i>

<i>Opponent</i>
<i>board : Board</i>
<i>Move</i>
<i>p! : Posn</i>
<i>b! : Board</i>
$\neg \exists \text{InRow}(\text{board}.bposn)$
$p! \notin \text{board}.bposn \cup \text{board}.wposn$
<i>board.turn = white</i>
<i>b! = board</i>

The Master

Master

$boards : \mathbb{P} Board$

Move

$p! : Posn$

$b! : Board$

$\neg \exists InRow(b!.wposn)$

$p! \notin b!.bposn \cup b!.wposn$

$b!.turn = black$

$b! \in boards$

The Tournament

Tournament

$master : Master$
 $opponents : \mathbb{P} Opponent$
 $boards : \mathbb{P} Board$

$master.boards = boards$
 $\{op : opponents \bullet op.board\} = boards$

INIT
 $\forall b : boards \bullet b.INIT$

$MasterMove \hat{=} master.move \parallel ([b? : boards] \bullet b?.BlackMove)$

$OpponentMove \hat{=} [op : opponents] \bullet op.move$

\parallel
 $[b? : boards] \bullet b?.WhiteMove$

$Awinner \hat{=} [b! : boards] \bullet b!.TheWinner$

	<i>master</i>	<i>boards</i>	<i>opponents</i>
<i>MasterMove</i>	<i>p! : Posn</i> <i>b! : Board</i>	<i>p? : Posn</i> <i>b? : Board</i>	
<i>OpponentMove</i>		<i>p? : Posn</i> <i>b? : Board</i>	<i>p! : Posn</i> <i>b! : Board</i>
<i>Awinner</i>		<i>b! : Board</i> <i>winner! : Colour</i>	

Notation

Set Abstraction

$$\{a : A \bullet f(a)\}$$

is the set of all elements $f(a)$ where $a \in A$. e.g.

$$\{n : \mathbb{N} \bullet 2n\}$$

is the set of even natural numbers.

$$\{op : opponents \bullet op.board\}$$

is the set of boards associated with the set of opponents.

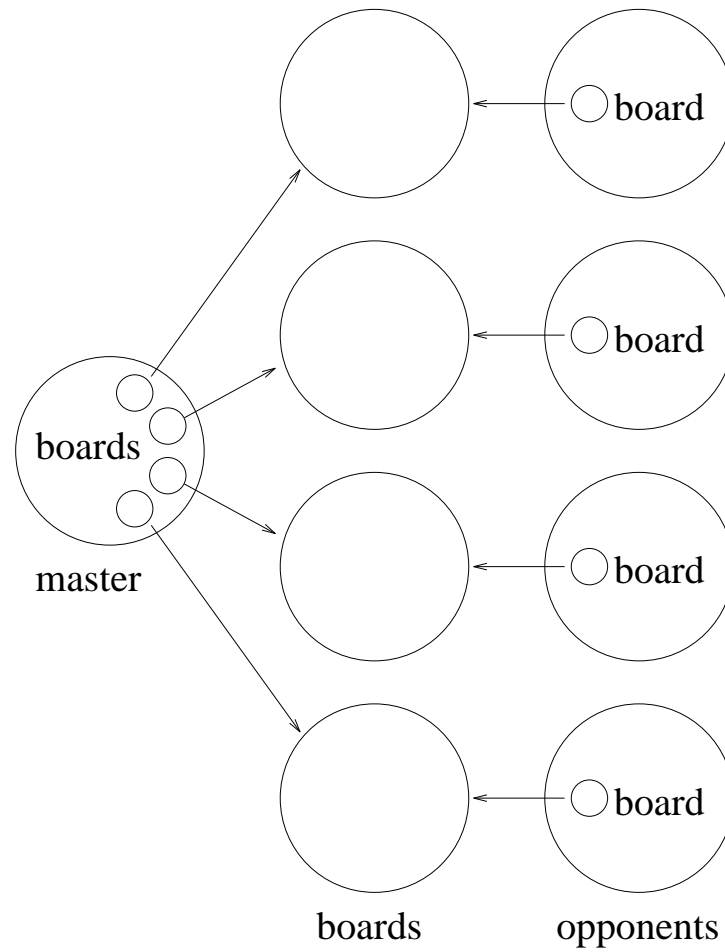
Object Selection

$$[ob : \text{set of objects}] \bullet ob.operation$$

indicates that object ob is selected from the given set of objects and performs *operation*.

Object selection may be via input/output communication.

The Object Structure



An Alternative Informal View

- there are two players and nine marbles
- each marble is uniquely labelled with a number between 1 and 9
- initially the players have no marbles
- the players take it in turns to select a marble from those not already selected
- the first player to have three marbles whose labels add to 15 is the winner

Initial Abstractions

$Posn == 1..9$

The Abstraction

6	1	8
7	5	3
2	9	4

Three in a Row

$$\begin{array}{|l} 3InRow : \mathbb{P} Posn \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \\ \hline \forall ps : \mathbb{P} Posn \bullet \\ 3InRow(ps) \Leftrightarrow \\ \exists p, q, r : ps \bullet \\ \#\{p, q, r\} = 3 \\ p + q + r = 15 \end{array}$$