

WYSIWIS AND SHARED WINDOWS

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COUPLING

Issue	Description
Session Management	How do distributed users create, destroy, join, and leave collaborative sessions?
Single-user Interface	What are the application semantics if there is a single user in the session?
Coupling	What is the remote feedback of a user command and when is it given?
Access Control	How do we ensure that users do not execute unauthorized commands?
Concurrency Control	How do we ensure that concurrent users do not enter inconsistent commands?



APPLICATION-SPECIFIC COUPLING

Please enter an input line or quit or history

The woods are lovely dark and deep

[Alice]The woods are lovely dark and deep

Please enter an input line or quit or history

[Bob]But I have promises to keep

[Cathy]And miles to go before I sleep

history

[Alice]The woods are lovely dark and deep, [Bob]But I have promises to keep, [Cathy]And miles to go before I sleep

Please enter an input line or quit or history

Coupling depends on model-interactor division, when changes are announced, when they are sent, and when they are applied

The screenshot shows a window titled "[ConcertExpense]" with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Customize) and a title bar. The main area contains three input fields: "Number Of Attendees" with the value "8", "Ticket Price" with the value "23.5", and "Total" with the value "188.0".

The screenshot shows a window titled "[ServerProxy]" with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Customize, Serv) and a title bar. The main area contains a "Synchronize" button and a checkbox labeled "Real Time Synchronize".

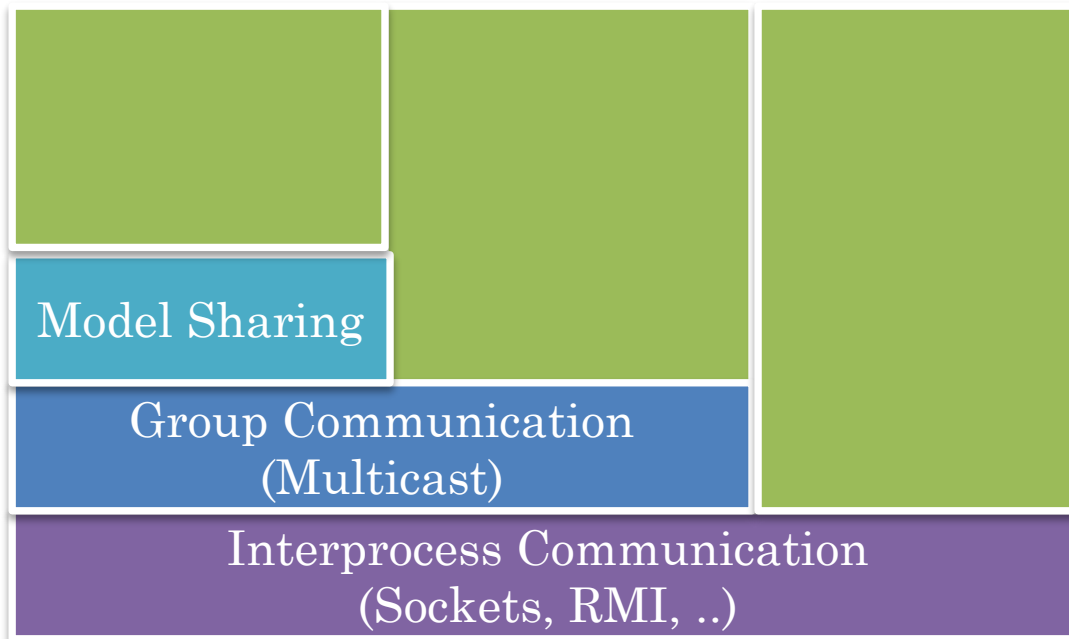
Application-Independent Coupling?

Why?

What?



PROGRAMMER EFFORT: AUTOMATION



Model is a blackbox and we had to make assumptions about it to automate sharing

Not all programmers are aware of or care about model-interactor division



END-USER

- Easier to understand for the user
 - Is synchronization real-time or not real time?
 - What changes are sent?
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CHALLENGES

- How to define it in application independent fashion.
 - Mapping between input and local feedback is application dependent.
 - Implies mapping between input and remote feedback is also app-dependent.
 - Relationship between local and remote feedback may be app-independent.



WYSIWIS: WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT I SEE

Remote Feedback
=
Local Feedback

What?

Remote User Sees
Everything Local
User Sees

U1

Coupling

U2

Coupling

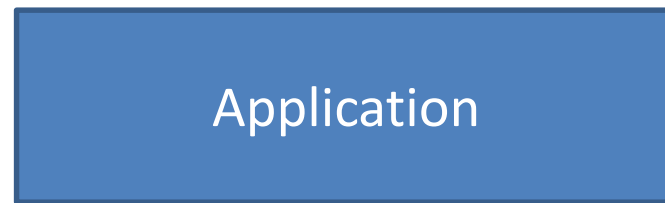
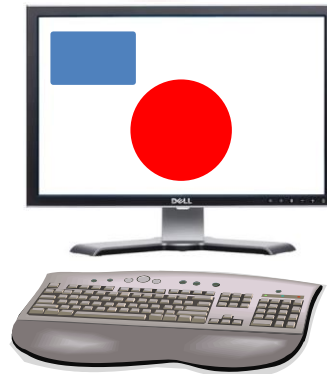
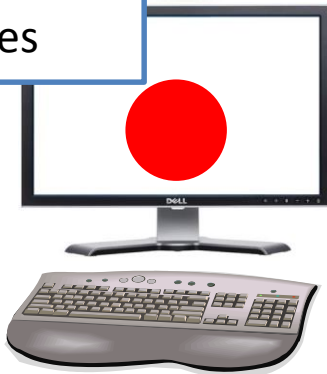
When?

If Interaction Stopped,
Remote User Will
Eventually Get Feedback

Remote User Feels
Collaboration is Real
Time

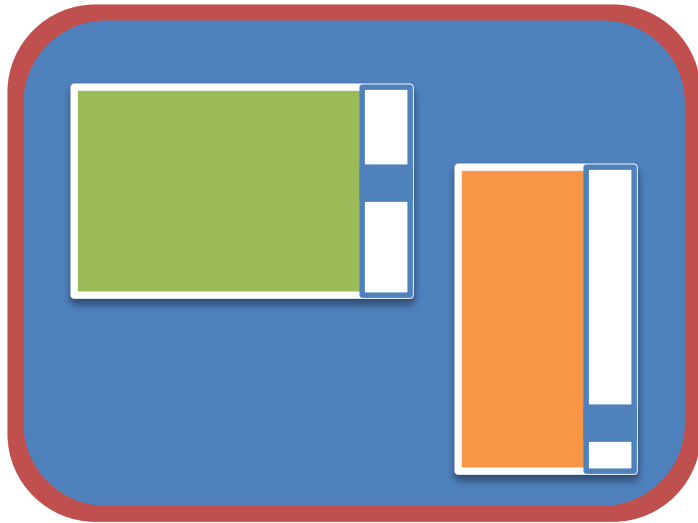
"Best Effort" to Give
Immediate Feedback

Remote User does not
Notice Delay (<50ms)



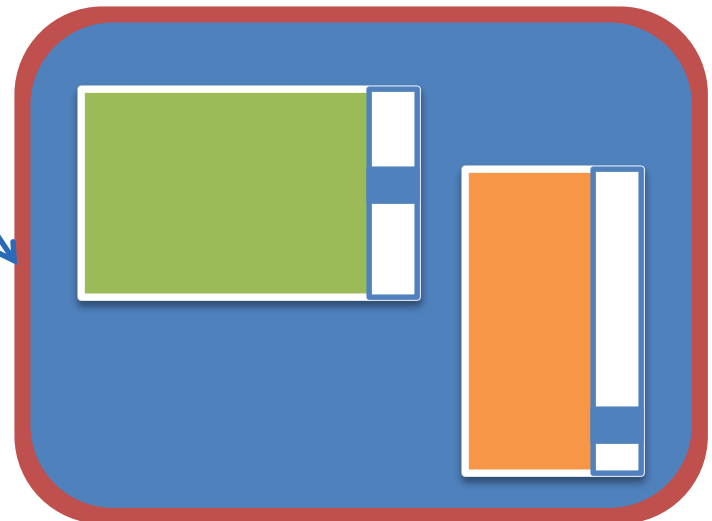
STRICT WYSIWIS COUPLING

User 1



If user 1 moves green window
Then green window moves on user 2's screen

If user 2 scrolls up in orange window
Then orange window scrolls up on user 2's screen

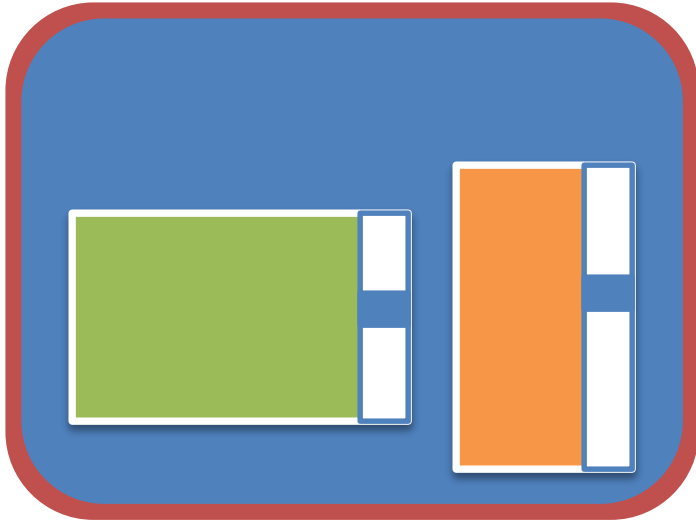


User 2



PROS AND CONS

User 1



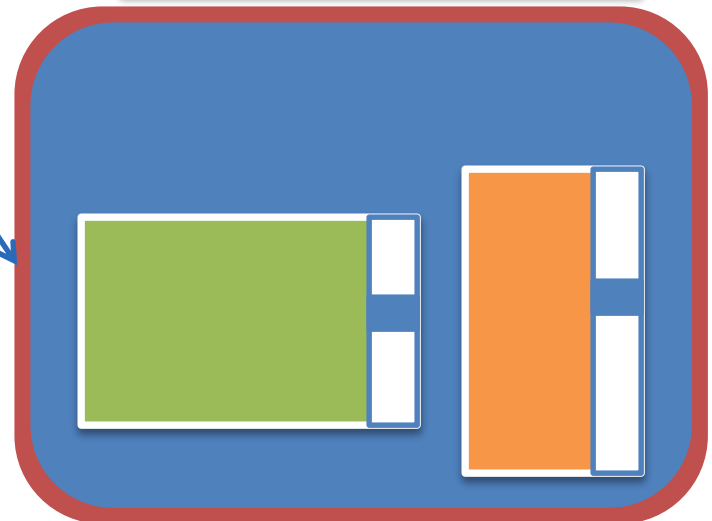
Pros

- Easy to understand
- Application-independent
- Automatable

Are some wars worse than others?

Cons

- Window and scroll wars
- Size and view wars
- Communication overhead



User 2



NEAR/RELAXED-WYSIWIS

Window Positions



Different window sizes create ambiguities (cropping, scaling) and scroll synchronization creates referential transparency

Window Size

Screen Pointer



Screen pointer has not much meaning if some windows are shared or if windows are moved independently

Mouse Move

Window Border



Scroll Positions

Key Click

How to point?

Mouse Click

Telepointer: A shared shape (possibly per user) that can be dragged over any part of a top-level window

Mouse Drag

May have private windows which are obscured

How to automate WYSIWIS/near WYSIWIS?

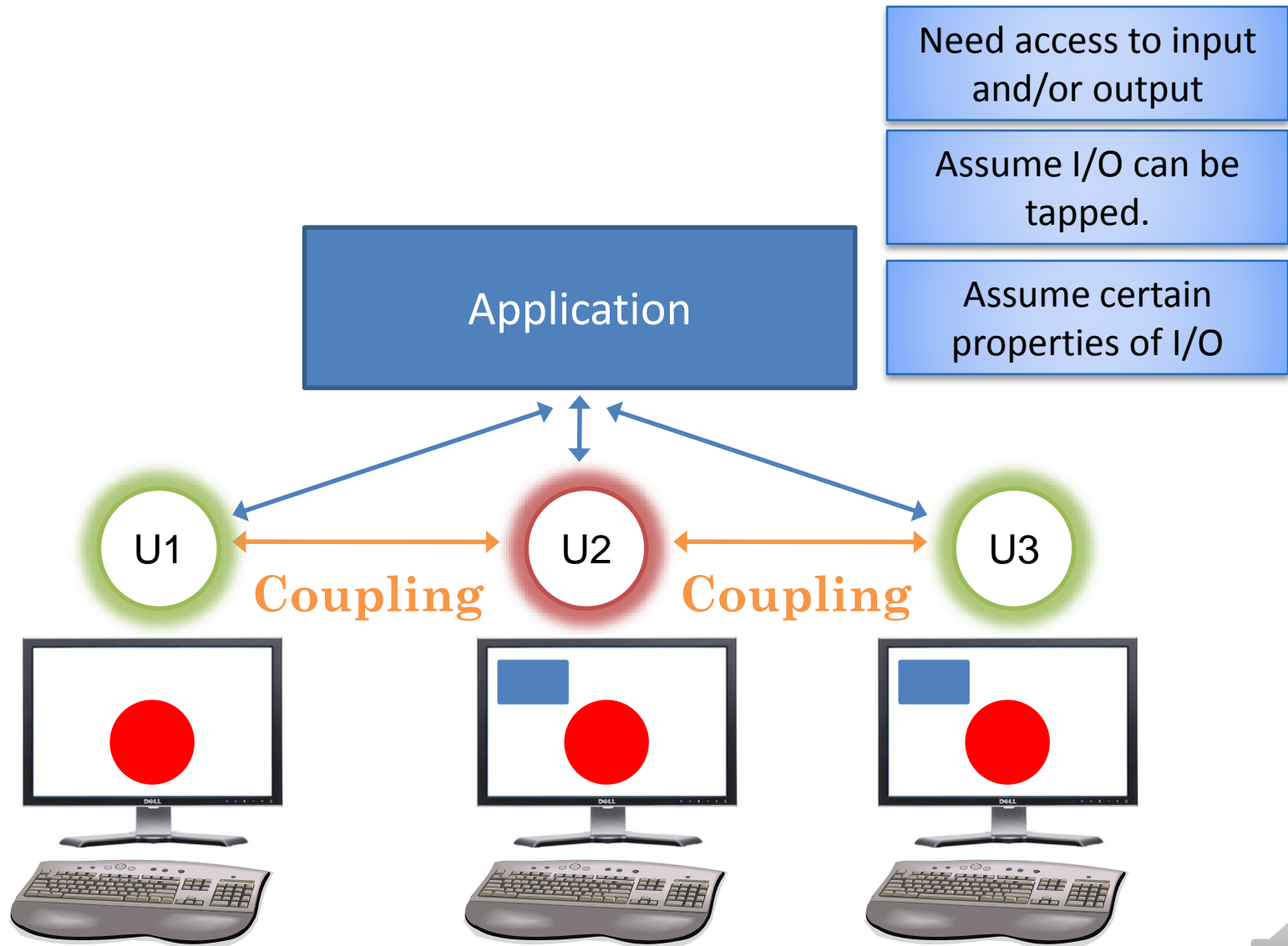


AUTOMATION & PRE-REQUISITES

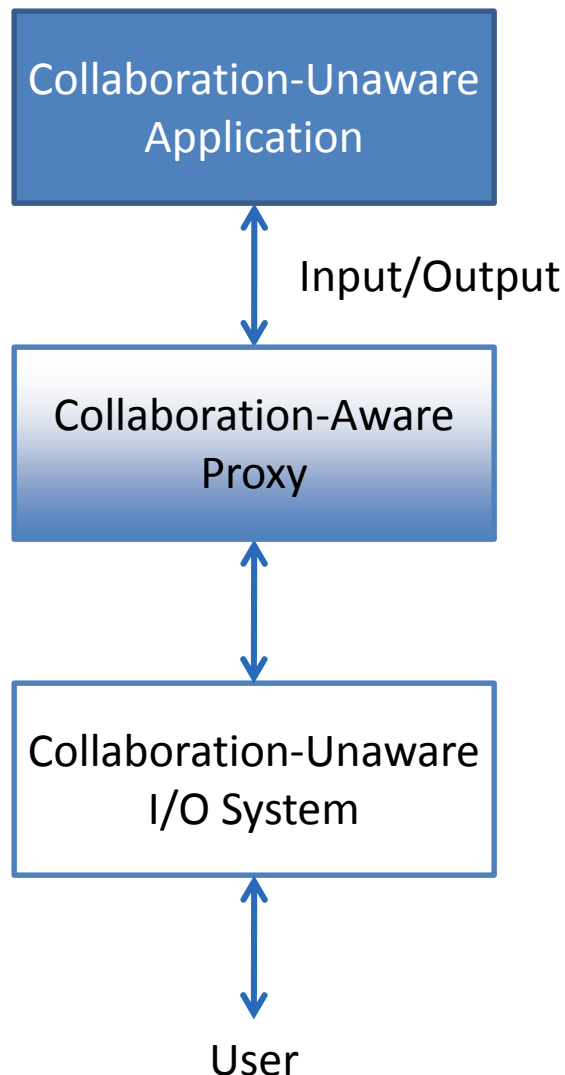
- Automation: Some application-independent infrastructure provides some functionality.
 - UI toolkit automates widgets.
 - Sync automates model sharing
- Use assumptions to provide the automation.
 - Swing and AWT assume applications do not want round widgets.
 - Sync assumes users do not want interactor sharing
- Need to make similar assumptions.
 - As not model sharing, assume I/O in interactor instead of write methods are tapped



AUTOMATING CONSTRAINTS



SHARED I/O SYSTEMS



Assume application uses some I/O system

Will put a proxy module in between application and I/O system, if possible

To the application it behaves like the I/O system

To the I/O system it behaves like the application

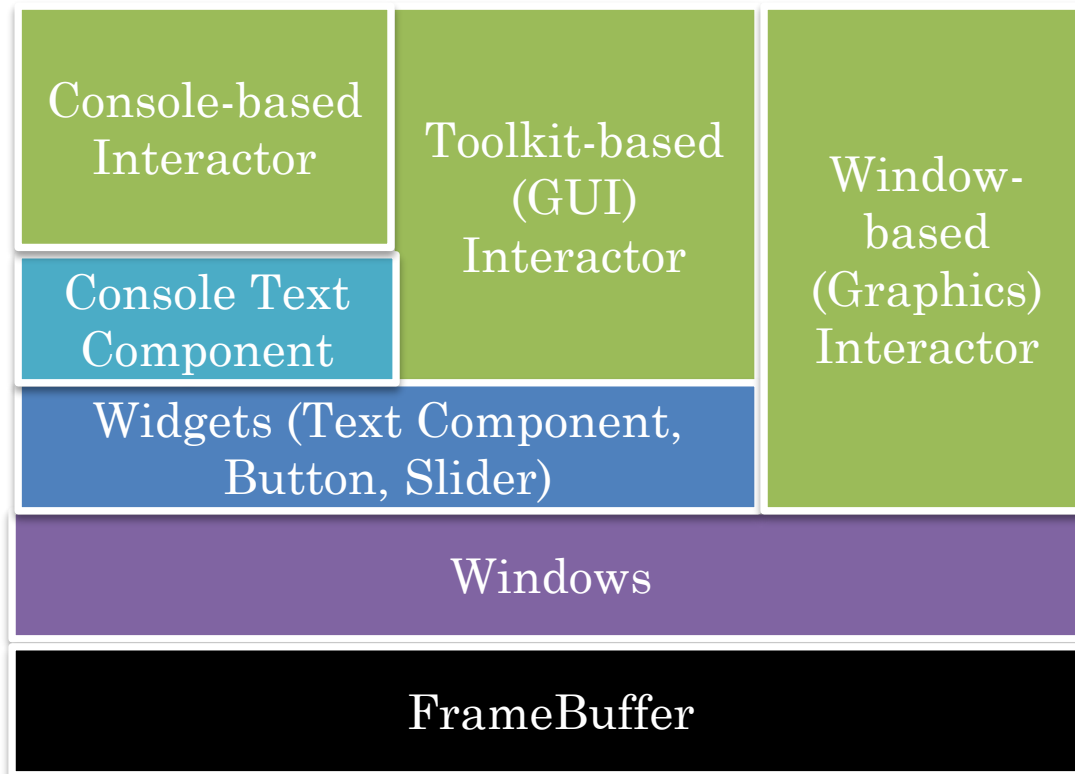
Application and I/O system are collaboration-unaware

Proxy (infrastructure) is collaboration-aware

Proxy will distribute I/O

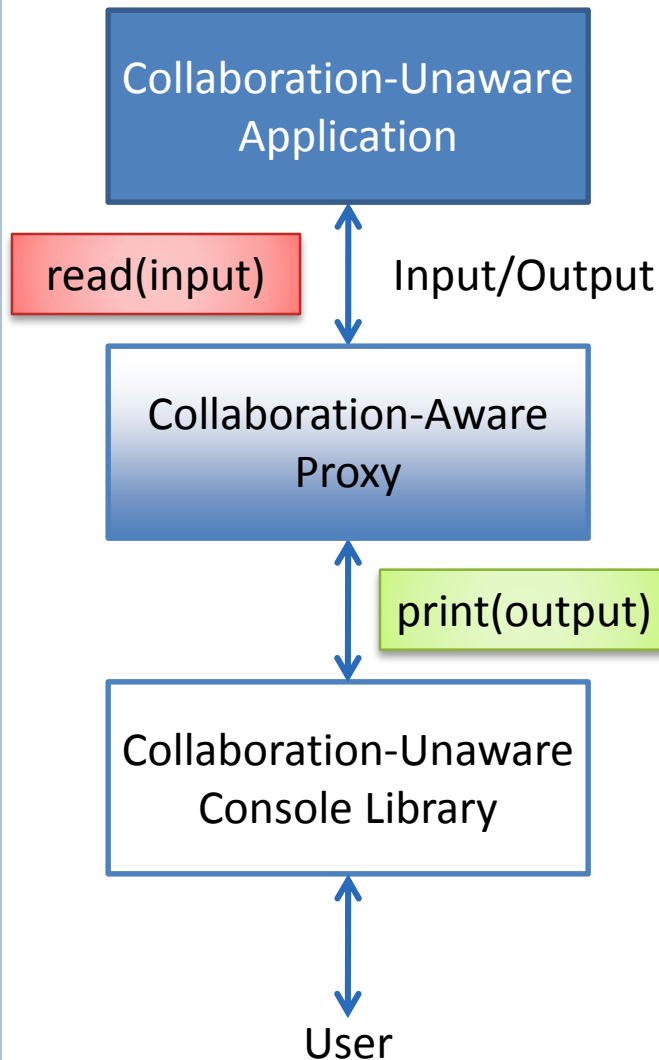
Much line proxies in shared model systems

I/O ABSTRACTIONS



Flexibility vs. Automation
Tradeoff in Abstraction Design

CONSOLE I/O

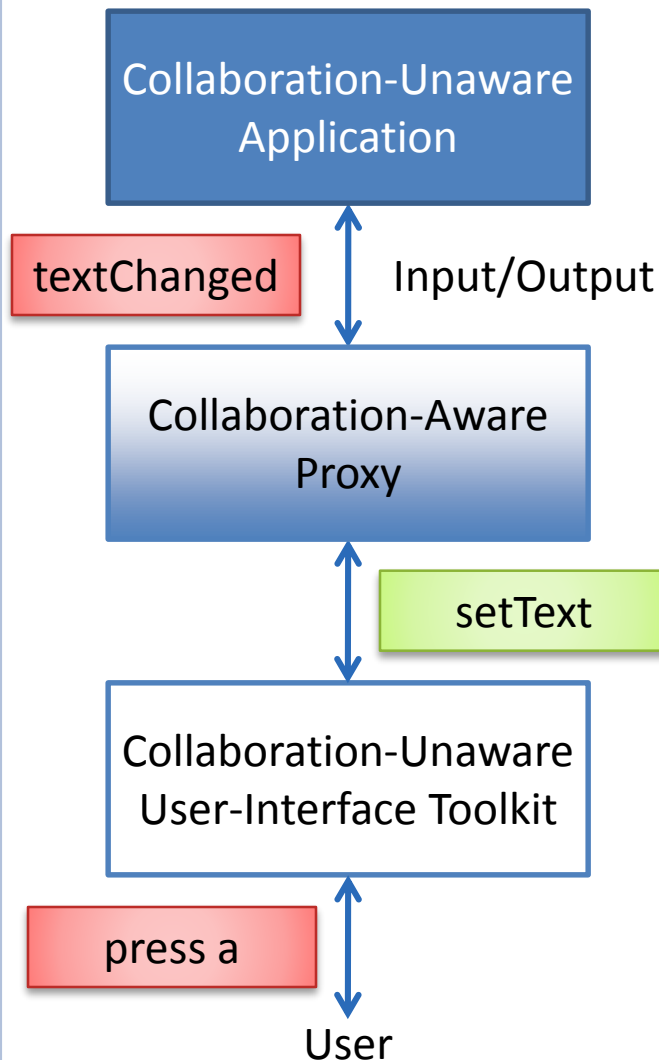


Programming languages and OS's provide teletype (console library)

Cannot handle GUIs



TOOLKIT LIBRARY I/O



Toolkit provides widgets such as text box, slider, and buttons.

Input is notifications about state changes

“Output” sets and gets widget state

Widget automation bound to specific toolkit (Swing, AWT)

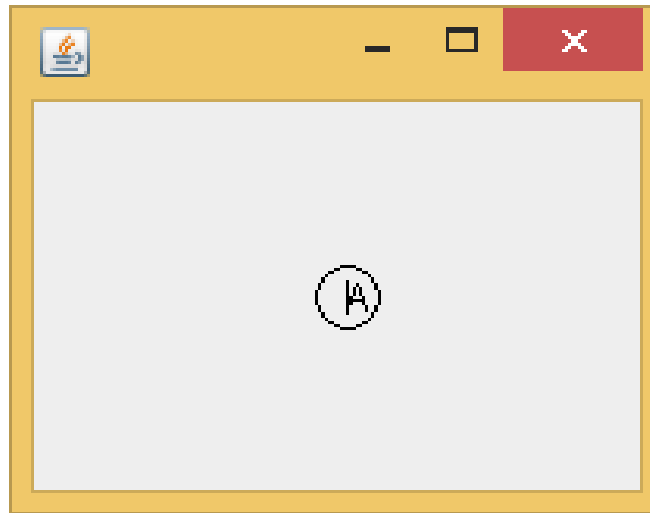
Toolkits are built on top of window system

Cannot be used to share window state (e.g. window size)

Cannot be used to share collaboration-unaware window apps

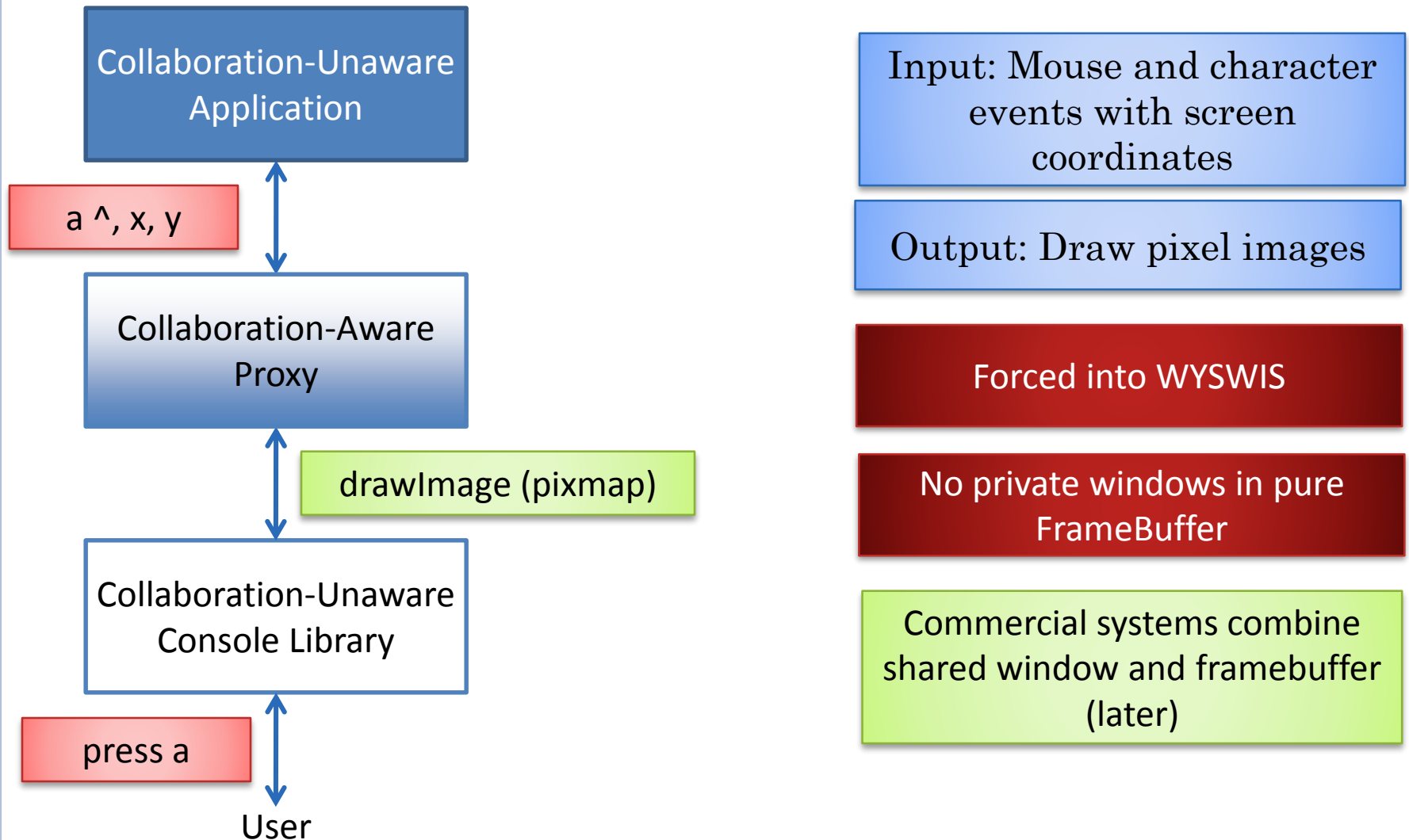


CUSTOM WIDGET

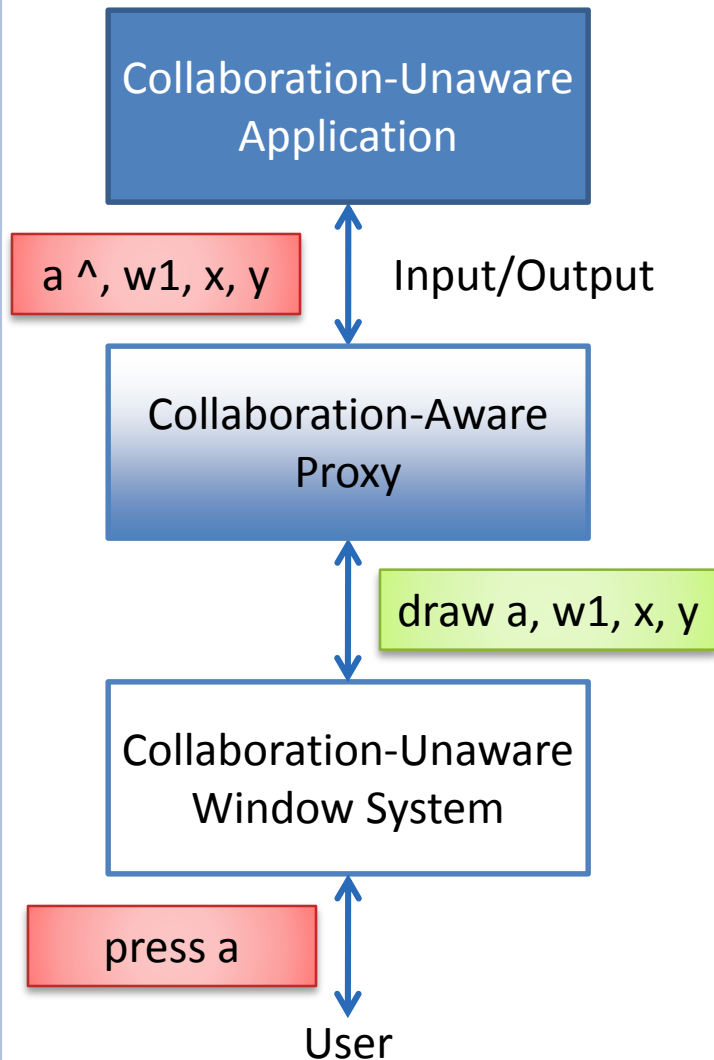


Neither console nor toolkit sharing can share this user-interface

FRAMEBUFFER I/O



WINDOW SYSTEM (SIMPLE MODEL)



Windows are untyped rectangular screen areas in which point is a pixel

Input indicates keyboard and mouse operations with window relative coordinates

Output draws text, shapes

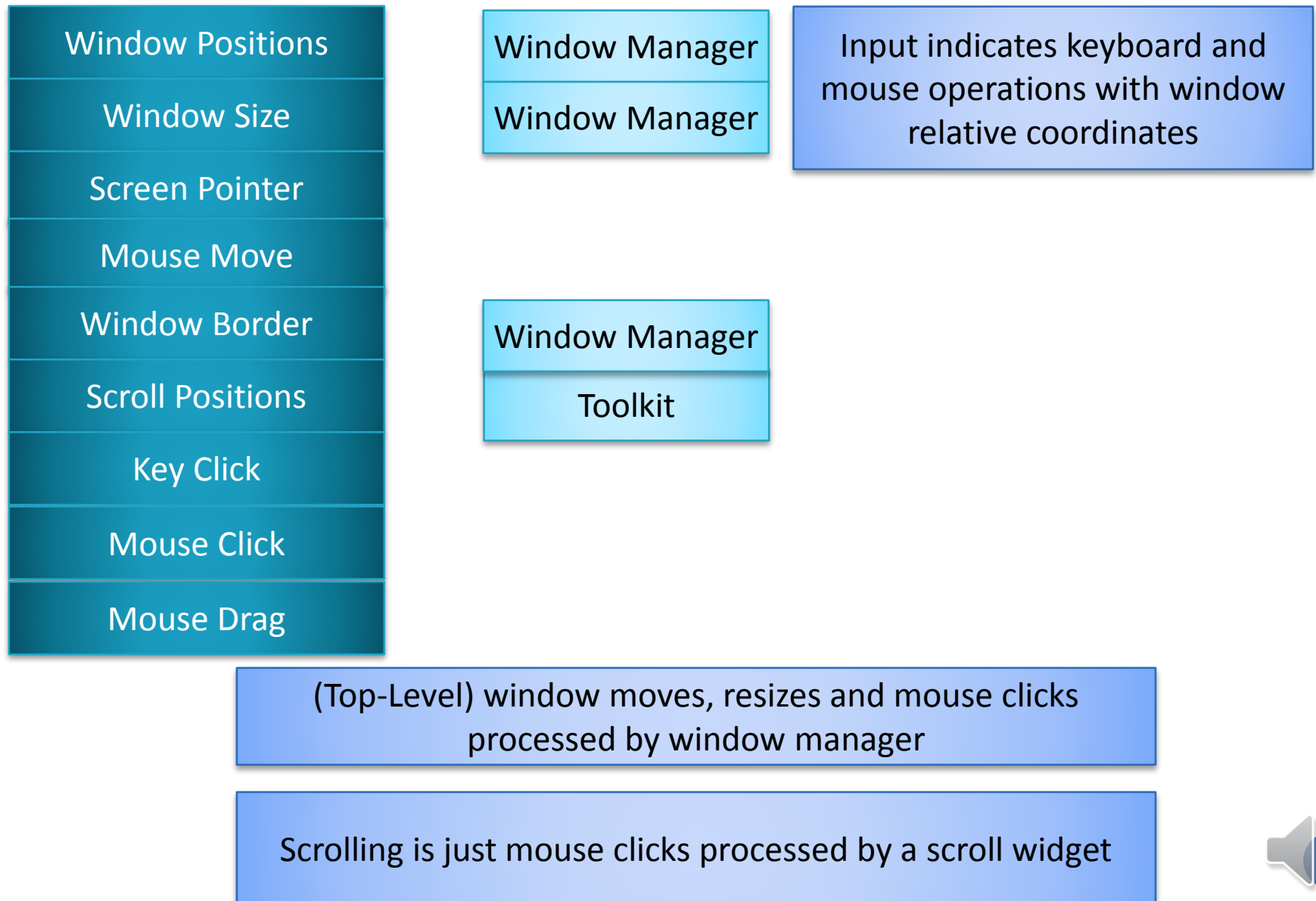
Application = programmer-defined code + toolkit

Window-level automation accommodates all toolkits and allows private and public windows

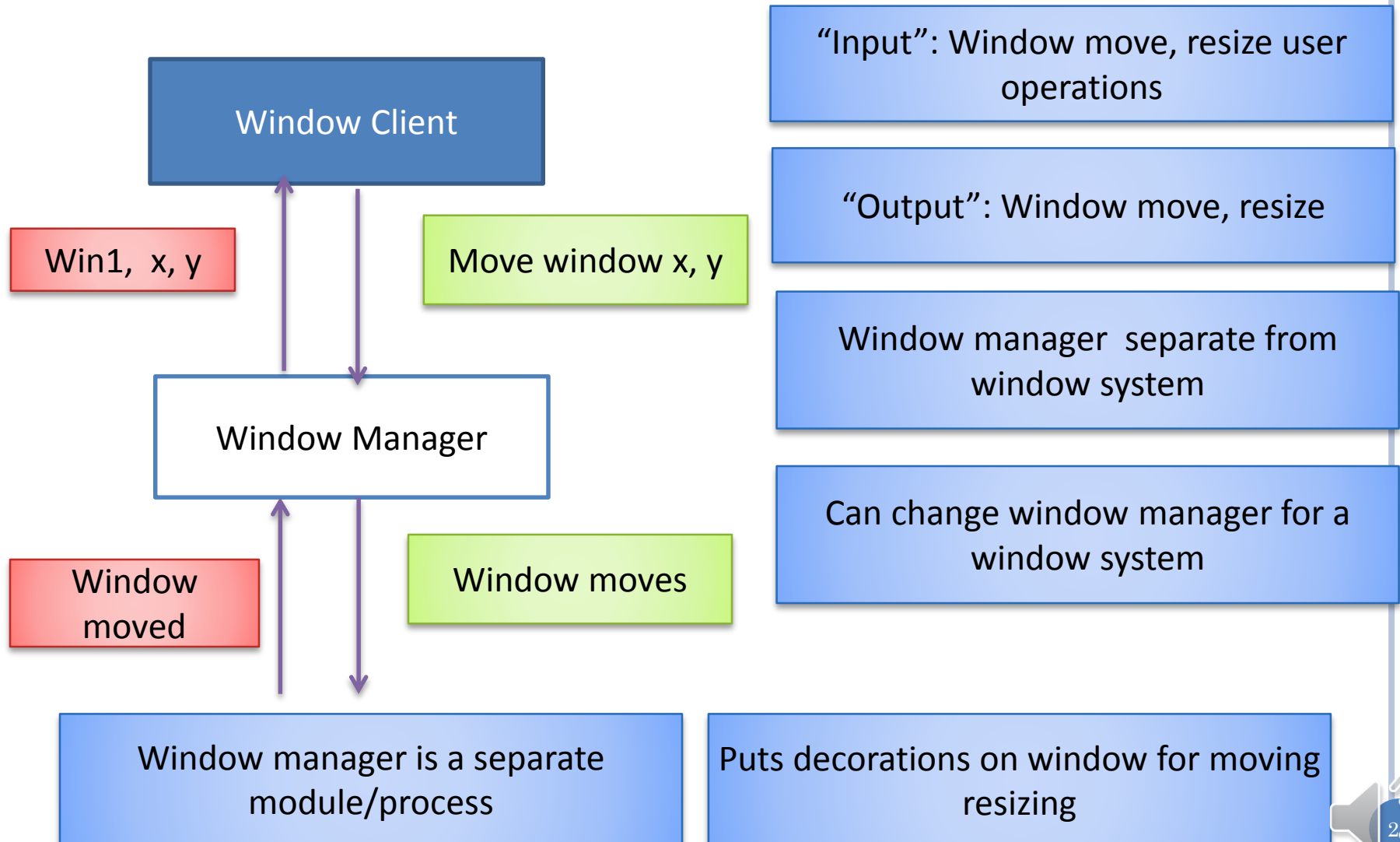
Architecture with N users?



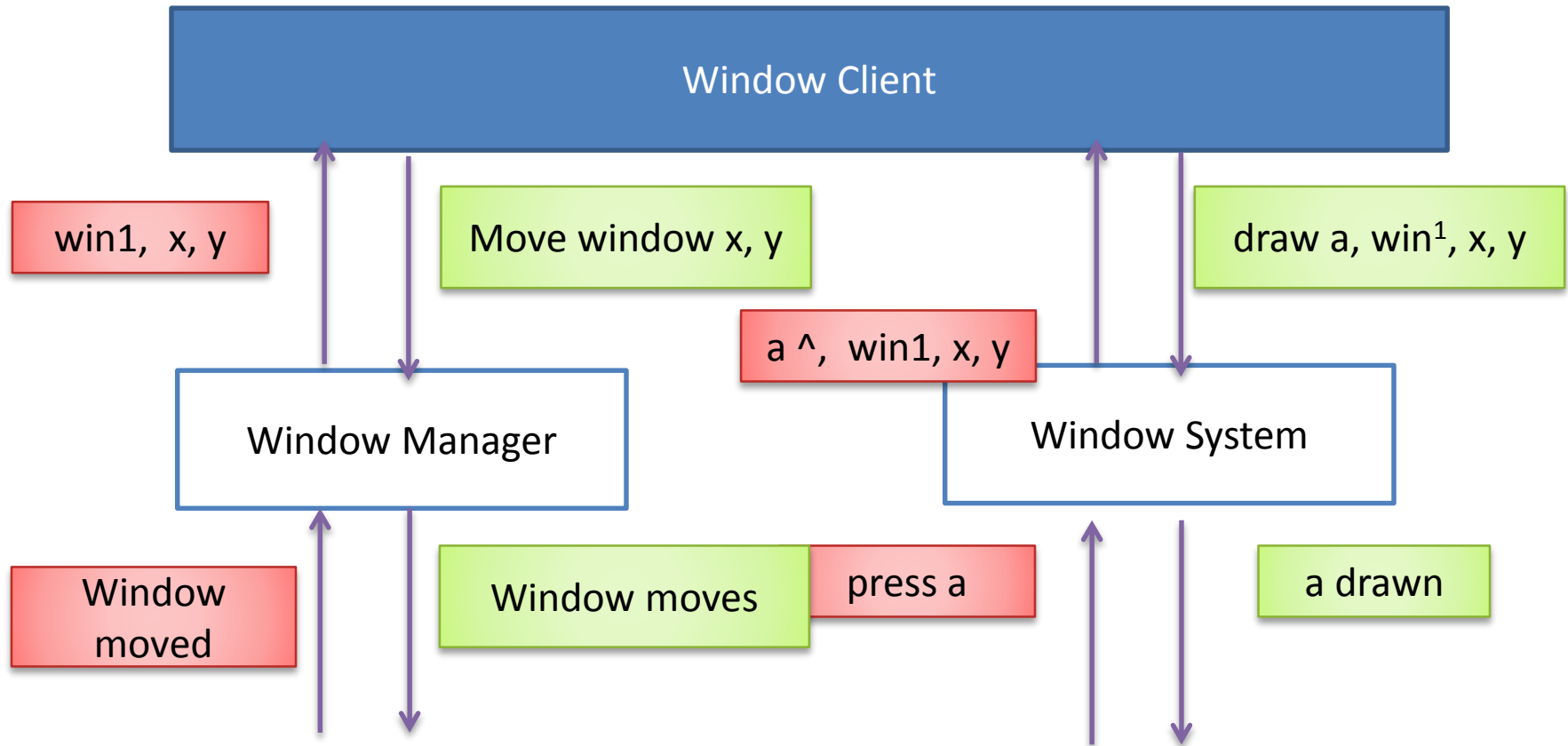
WINDOW SYSTEM I/O?



WINDOW MANAGER



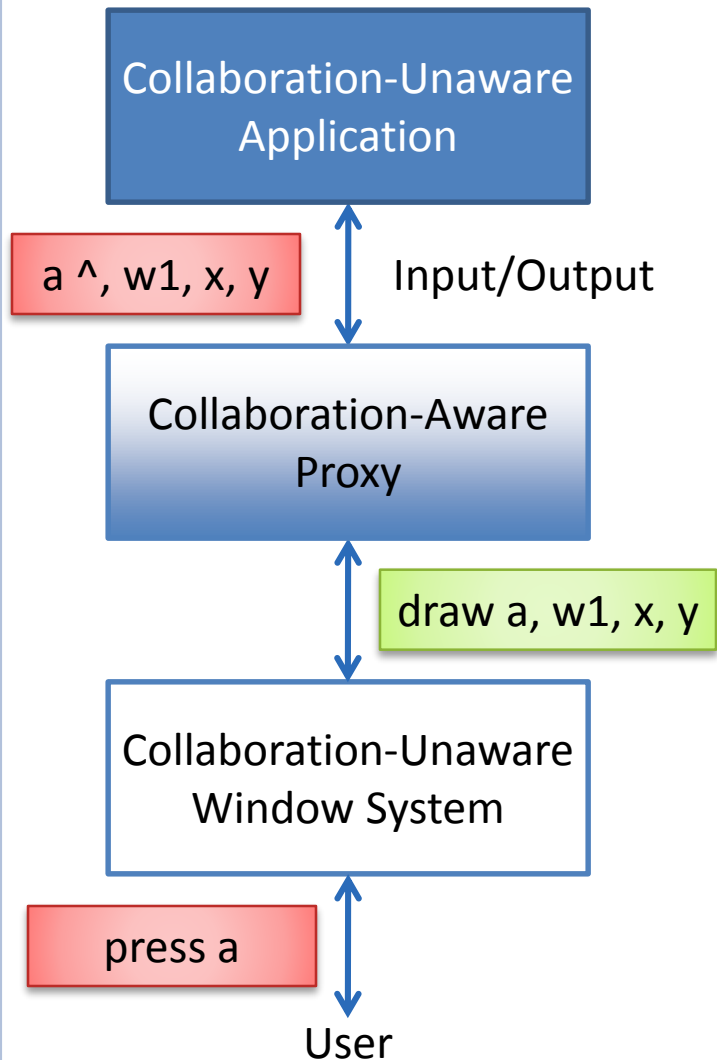
WINDOW MANAGER VS. SYSTEM



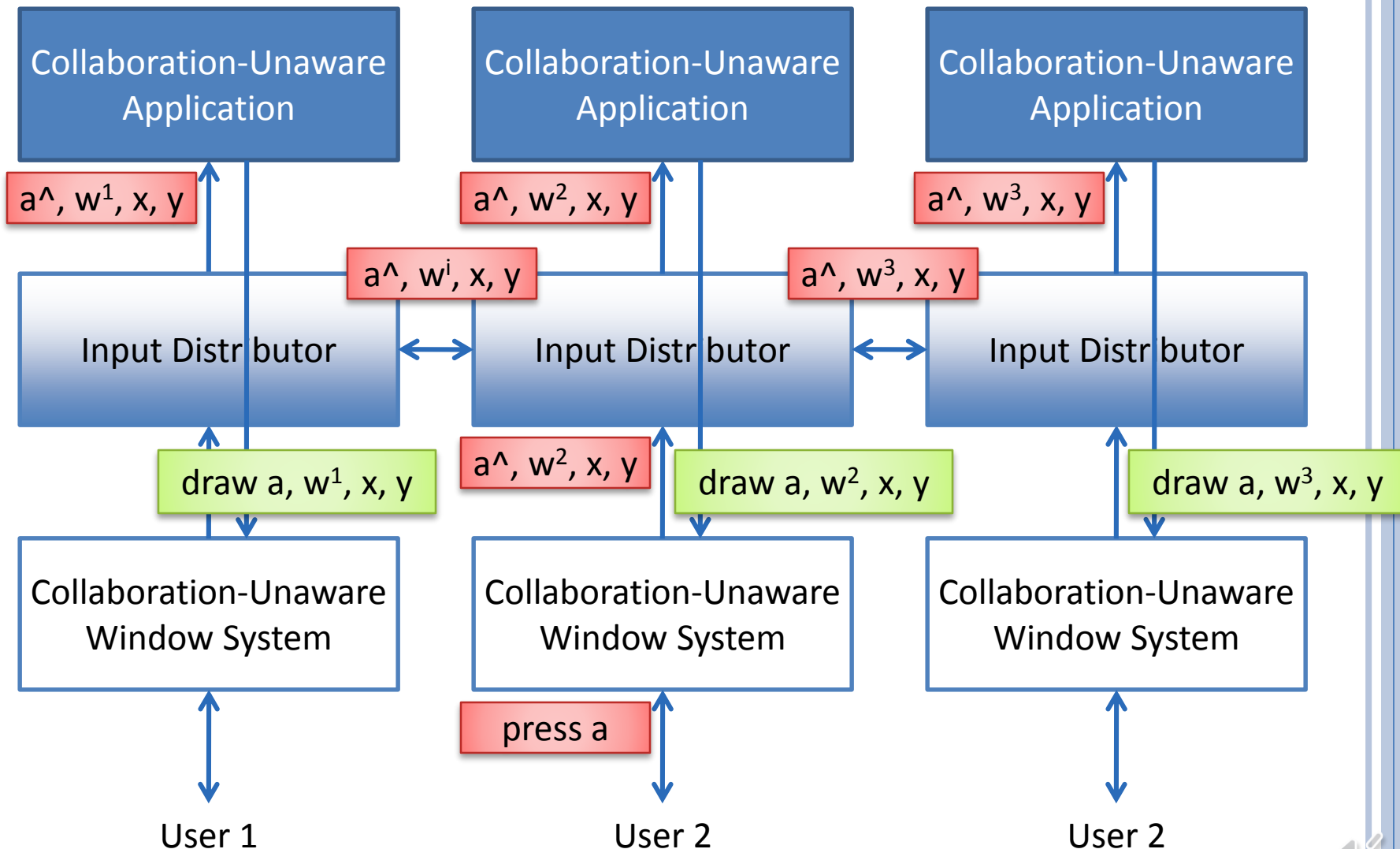
Client receives events from both and can invoke actions on both



PROXY-BASED INJECTION AND INTERCEPTION



REPLICATED WINDOW SYSTEM



CONNECTING REPLICA WINDOWS

Window

Window

How are corresponding windows found?

Replicated shared window systems assumes same sequence of windows.

Can use names of Java windows

Window

Window

REPLICATED MODEL ALGORITHM

For each input I

I should be followed by matching EditInput, EditMade, EditNotified, EditObserved, EditDisplayed

For each replica, I should be followed by matching EditSent to Others

How to change to replicated window system

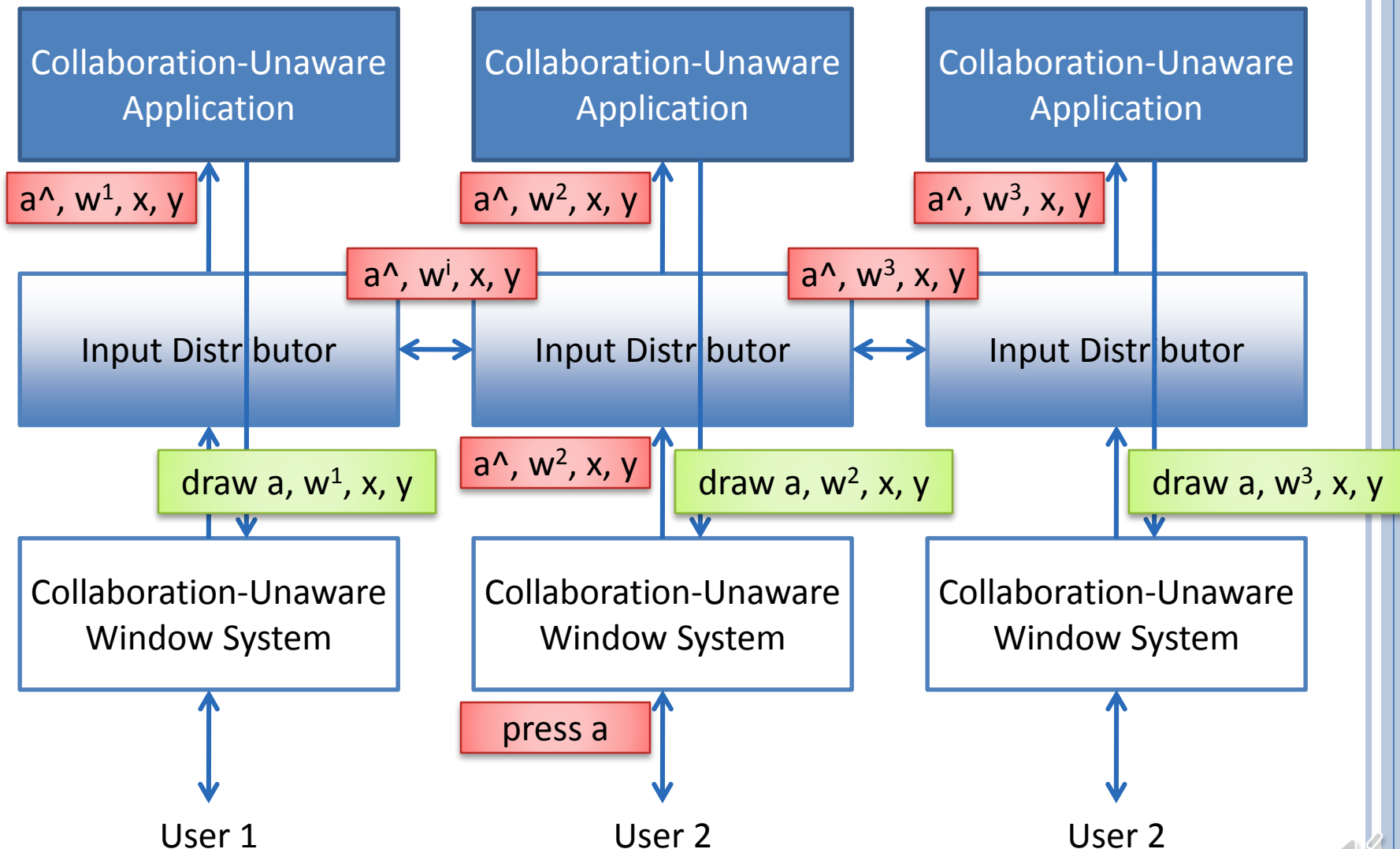
For each EditReceived R

R should be followed by matching EditMade, EditNotified, EditObserved, EditDisplayed

For each replica, R should be followed by matching EditSent



REPLICATED WINDOW SYSTEM (REVIEW)



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REPLICATED WINDOW ALGORITHM

For each Window w , create Telepointer w^t

Dispatching means giving it to appropriate (sub) window listeners to process

Window system can only guarantee delivery not processing

For each window (including Telepointer) Input I

I should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

For each replica, if Transmit(I) then I should be followed by matching WindowEventSent

Not all events may be sent (relaxed WYSIWIS)

For each WindowEventReceived R

R should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

For each replica, R should be followed by matching WindowEventSent



TRANSMIT FUNCTION

Telepointer Drag

Window Manager
State



Window Size

Screen Pointer



Mouse Move

Scroll Positions



Key Click

Mouse Click

Mouse Drag

Filter by Event Type

Send all mouse drags (of Telepointer)?

Desired (actual) Time between drags
< 30 ms (10ms)

Filter by Event Time

Send actions of all windows?

Not locking window, mail window

Filter by Window Name



SYSTEM-SPECIFIC ISSUES

For each Window w , create Telepointer w^t

How to create telepointer?

For each Window (including Telepointer) Input I

I should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

For each replica, if Transmit(I) then I should be followed by matching WindowEventSent

How to intercept I ?

For each WindowEventReceived R

How to inject I ?

R should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

How to filter events?

should be followed by mat

How to translate window IDs?



CONCRETE JAVA-BASED WINDOW SYSTEM

Discussion so far fairly abstract

Need real window system to make it concrete

Will use Java as language for exercises and class examples



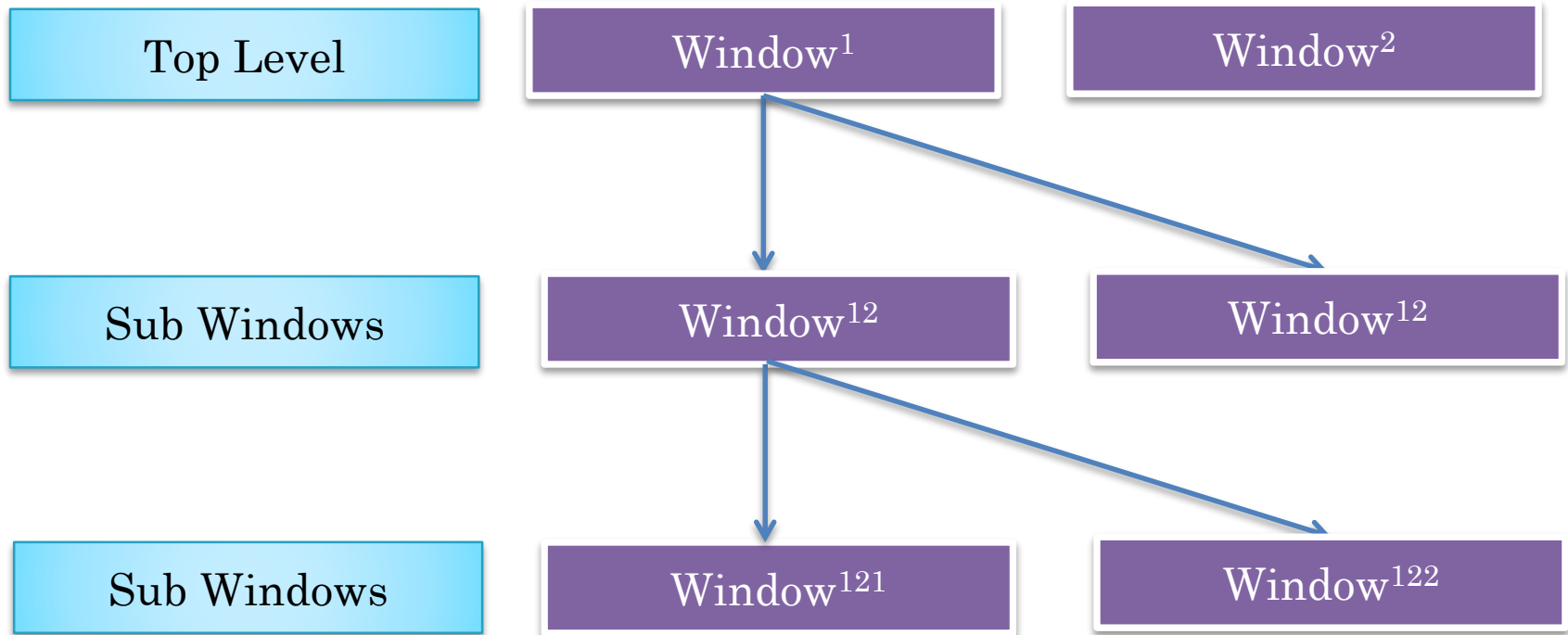
CASE STUDY: JAVA AWT

Hides the underlying window system from programmer

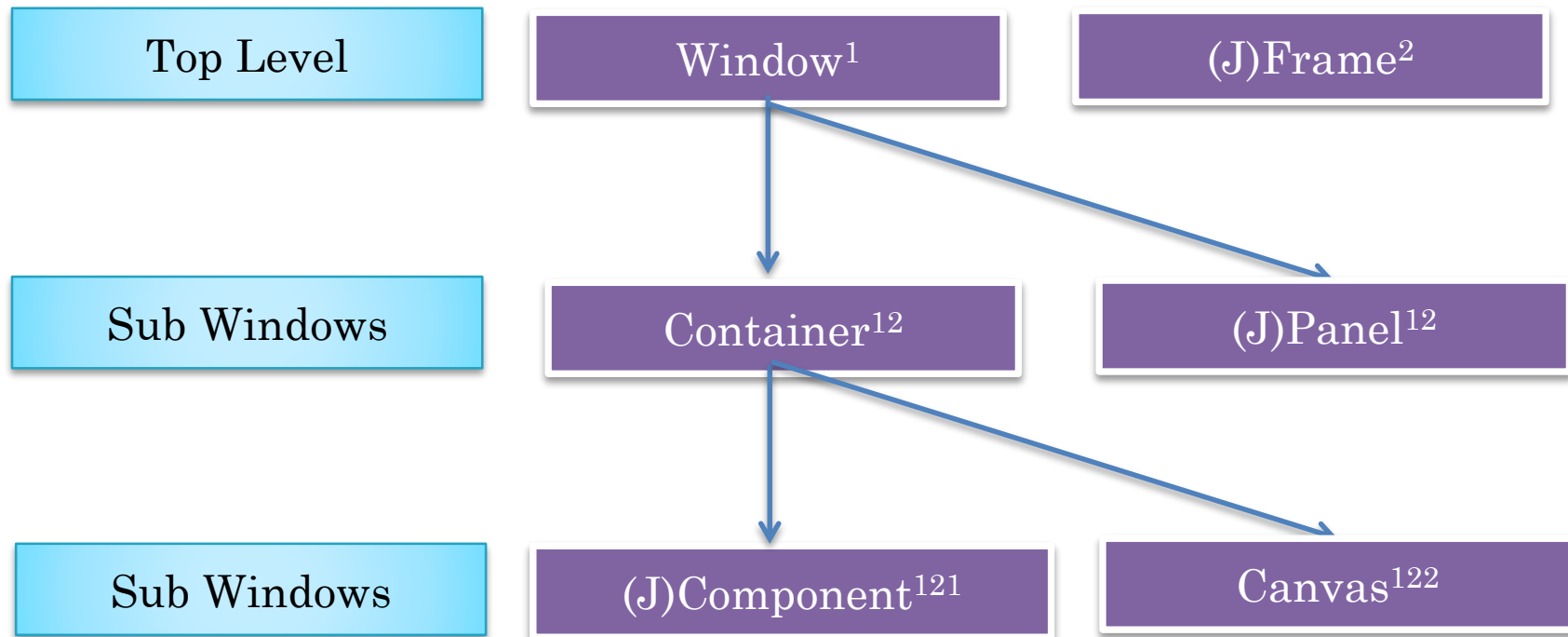
Portability



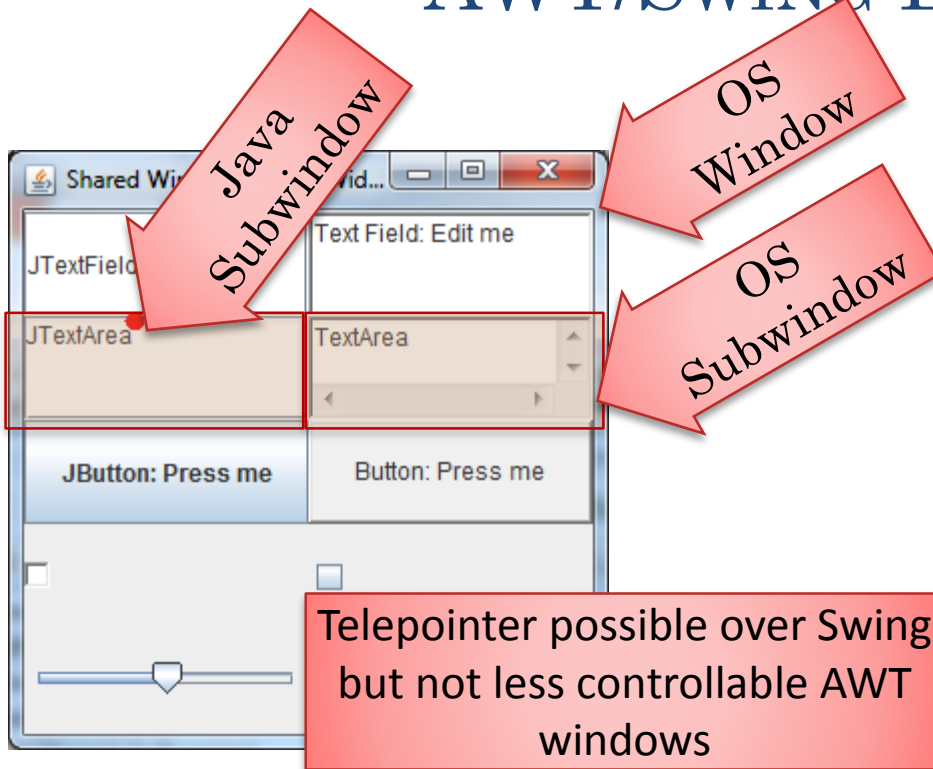
WINDOW SYSTEM CLASSES



AWT/SWING WINDOW SYSTEM CLASSES



AWT/SWING LAYERING



Swing Windows

AWT Windows

All OS events forwarded to AWT can be intercepted and injected

All Swing events may not be interceptable/injectable

Could not intercept/inject caret position in text components

Some OS events may not be correctly interceptable/injectable

Seem to inject two events for AWT checkbox

Which layer is more sharable:
AWT/Swing?



CLASS AWT/SWING LIBRARY

Library provided to make hide messy details of AWT/Swing

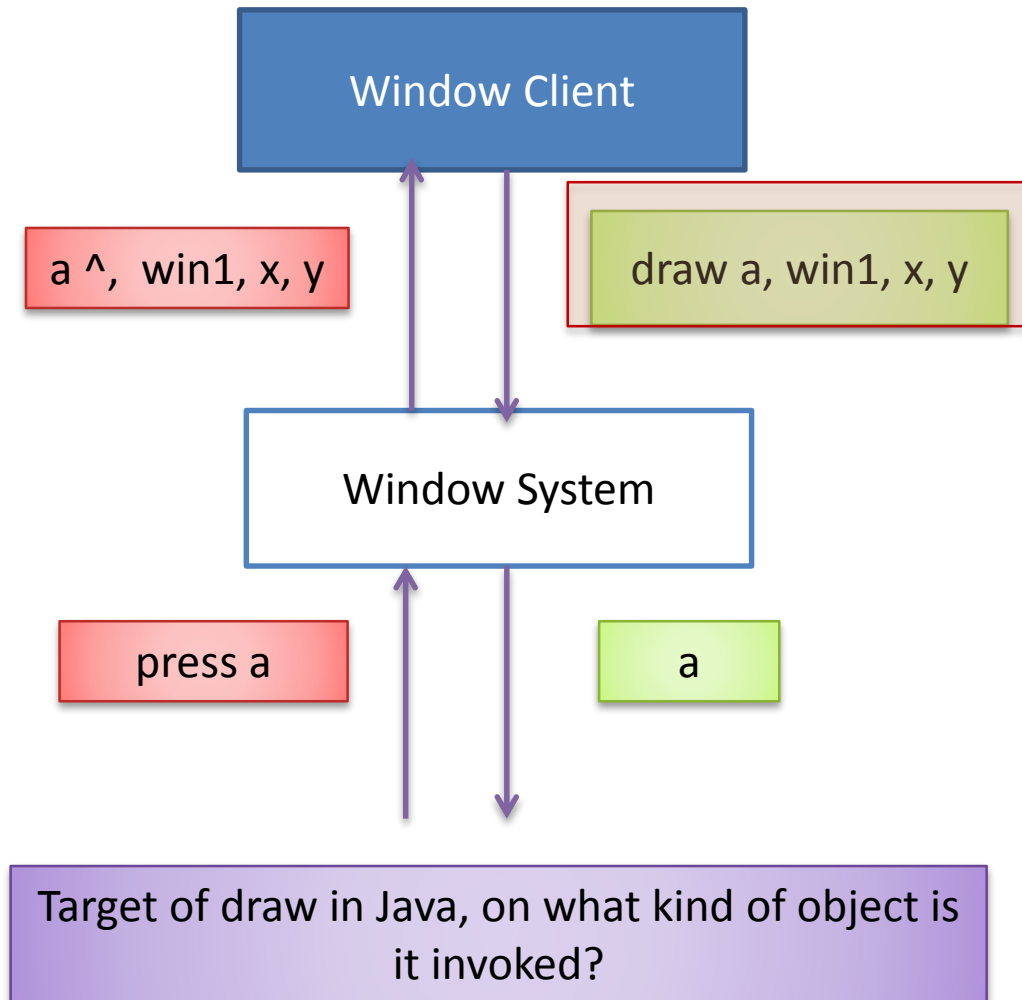
(Easily)
Sharable
AWT/Swing

Swing Windows

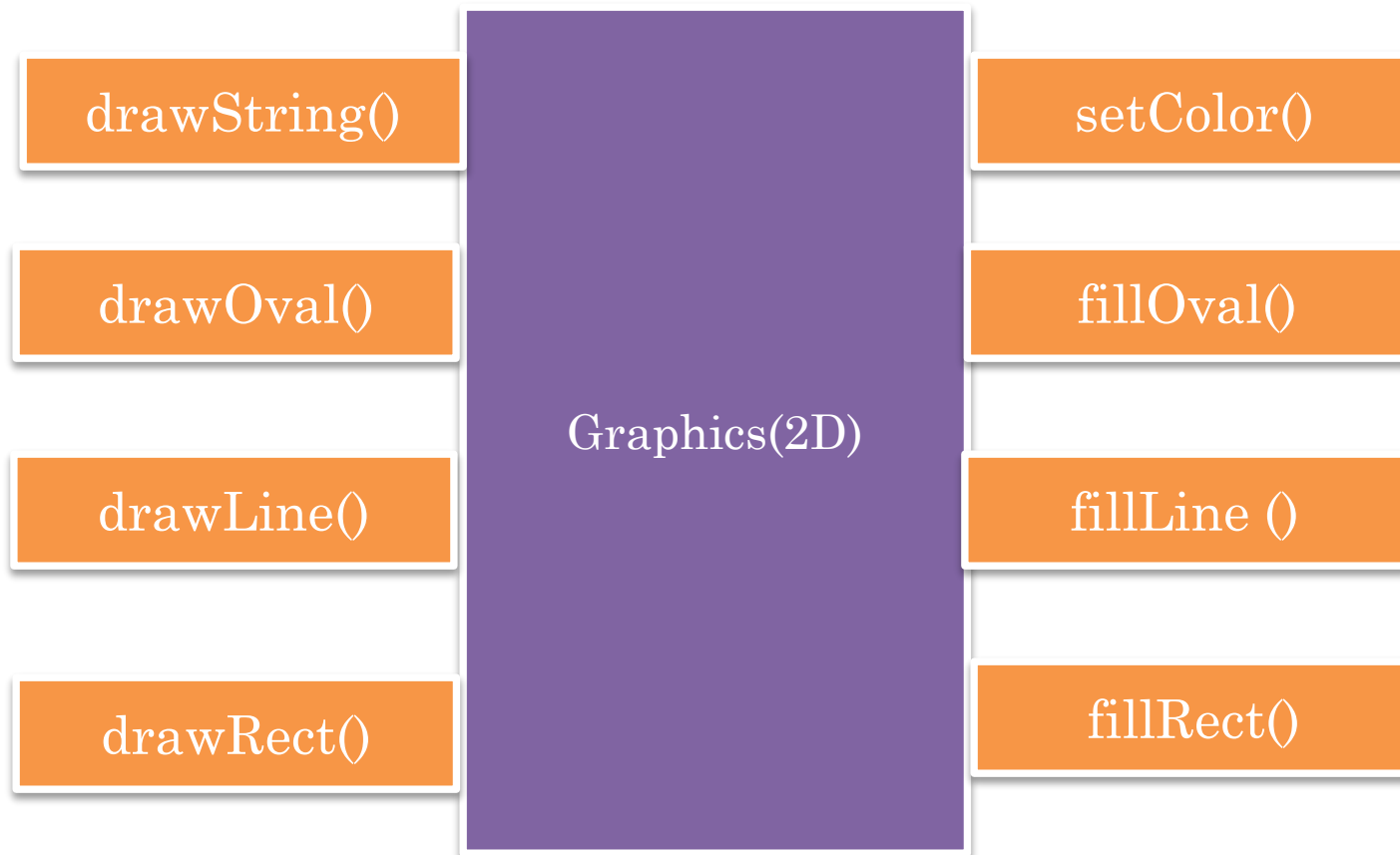
AWTWindows



WINDOW I/O: OUTPUT



JAVA HELPER CLASS: GRAPHICS(2D) CONTEXT



EXAMPLE GRAPHICS CALLS

```
g.drawOval(charX - X_OFFSET, charY - Y_OFFSET, DIAMETER,  
DIAMETER);  
g.drawLine(charX, charY, charX, charY - CARAT_LENGTH);  
g.drawString("" + lastChar, charX, charY);
```



Called when?

When input is given

When output is required

What if window is hidden?

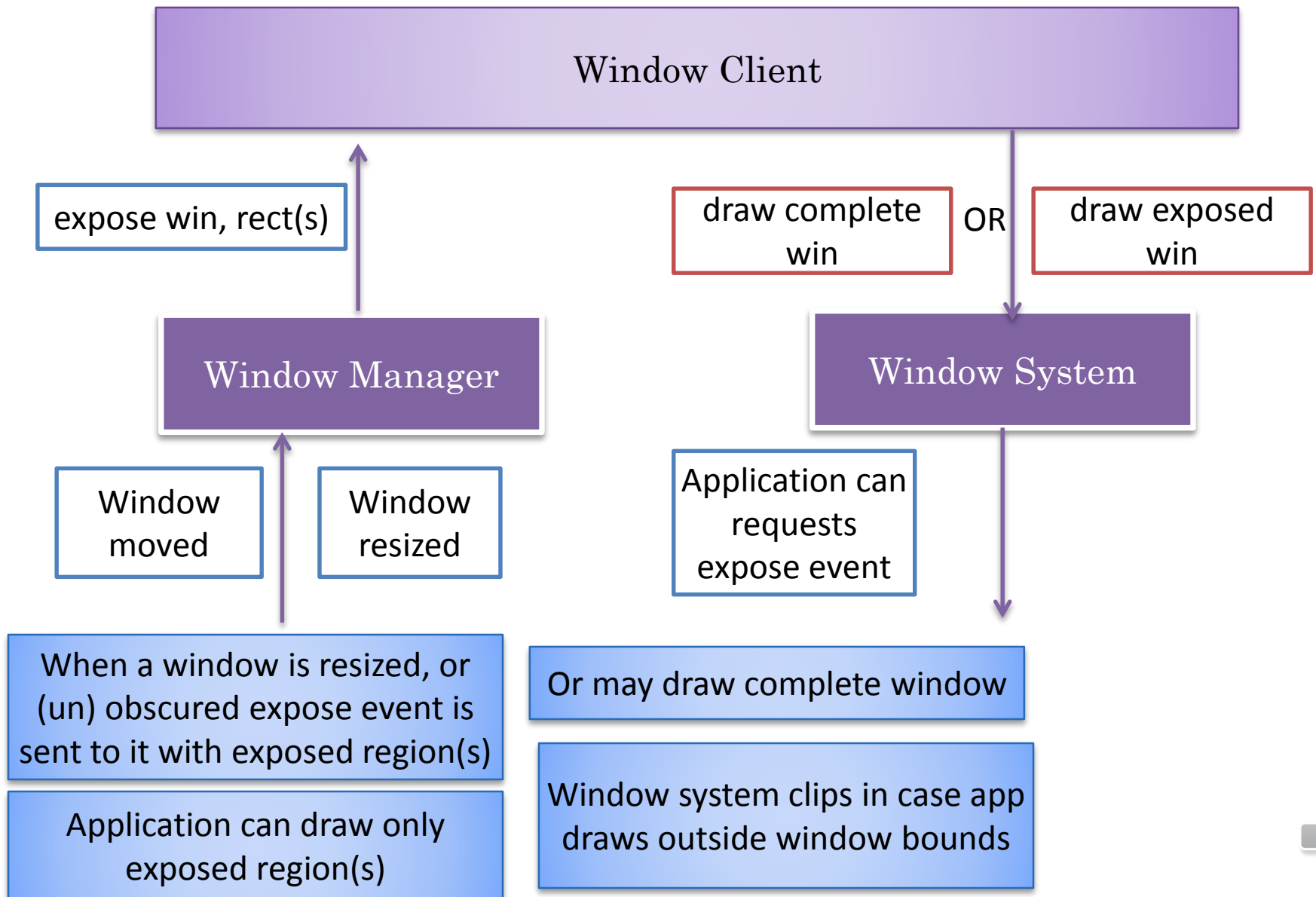
0 to N times for each input

Who repaints the window when it is exposed: window system or application

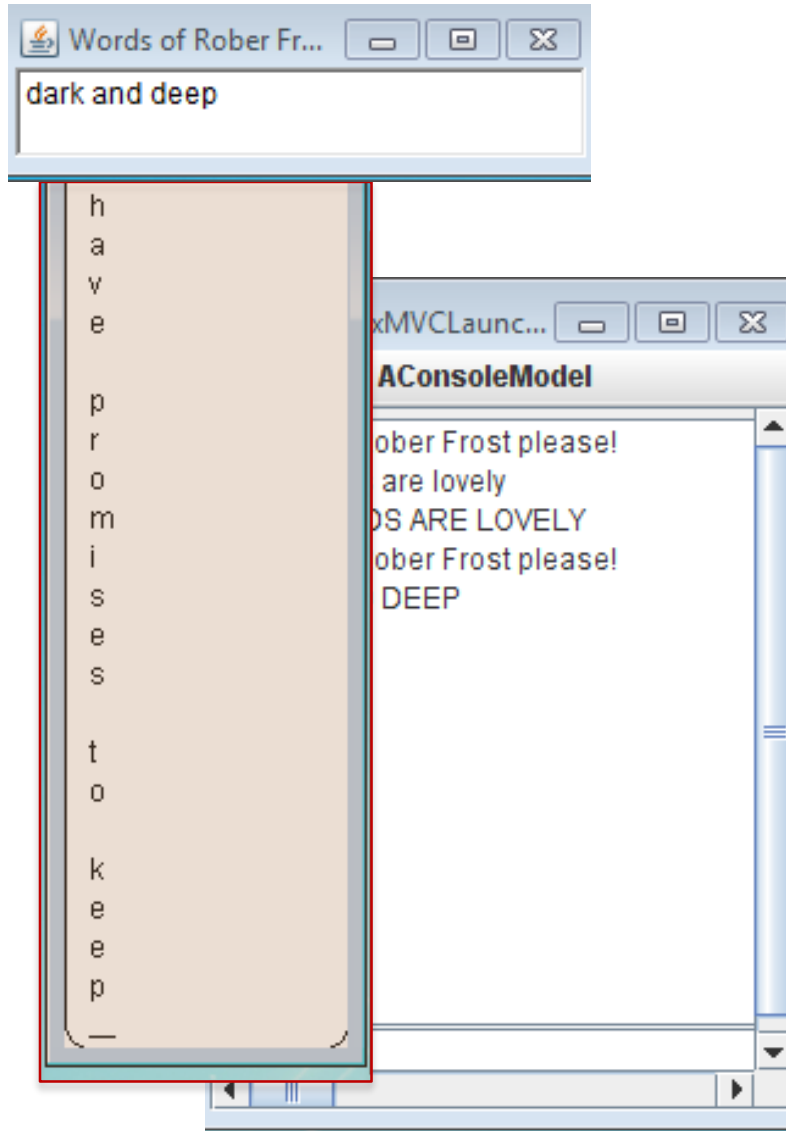
While the component is unexposed, the drawing might have changed, so system copy might not be current

So, in general the application must redraw it.

EXPOSE EVENTS

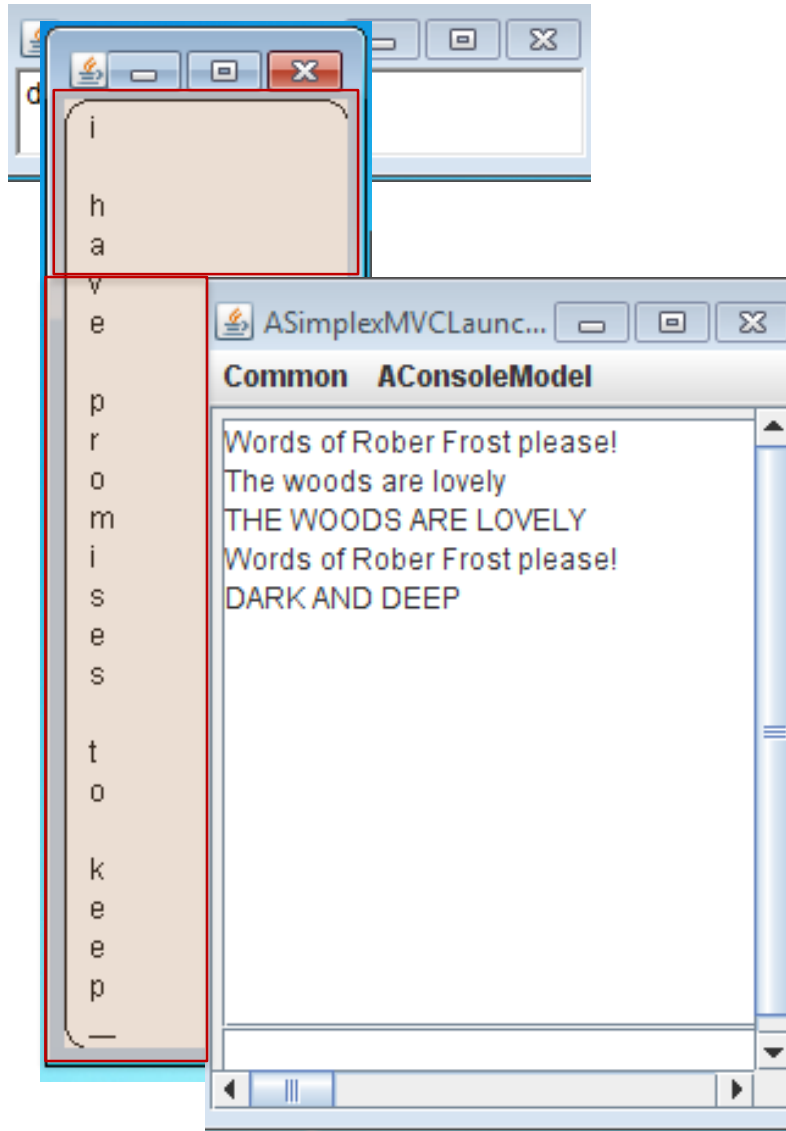


OVERLAPPING WINDOWS



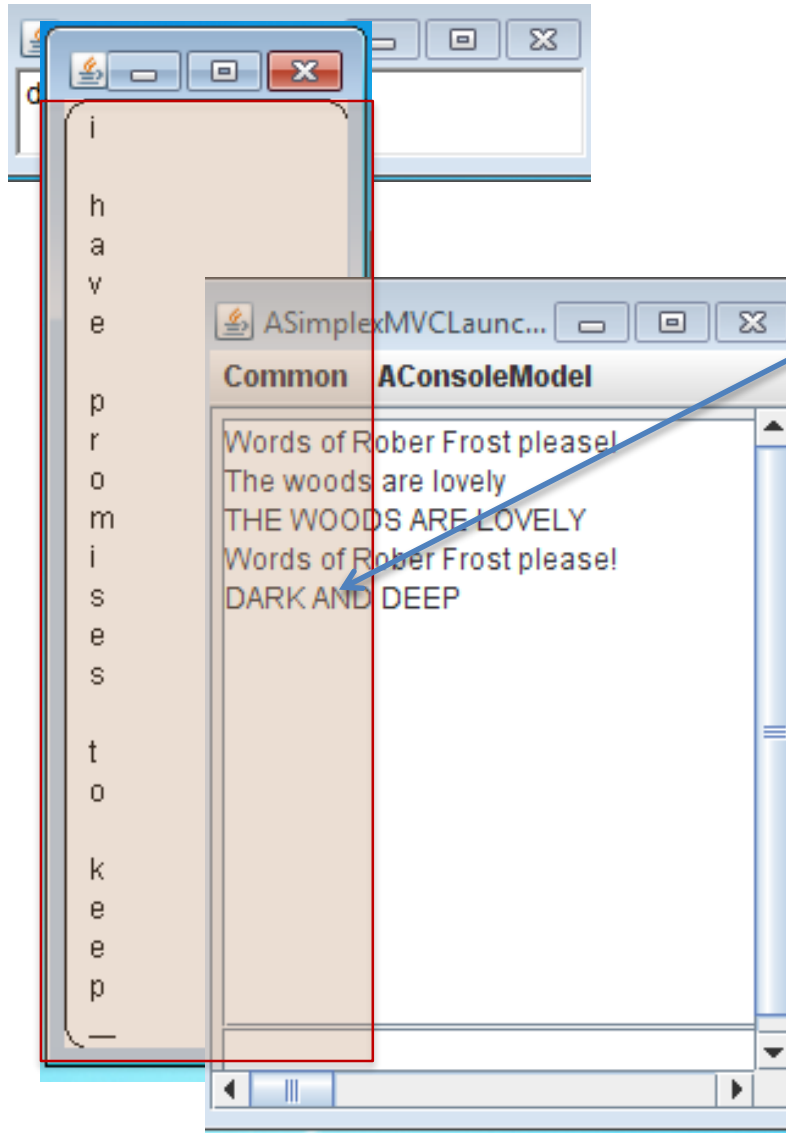
Exposed rectangle

OVERLAPPING WINDOWS (VERTICAL WINDOW ON TOP)



Multiple exposed rectangles

SINGLE EXPOSED



Single exposed rectangle

Drawing outside exposed region will be clipped

Window system could also keep last drawn pixels of each window as backing store

Repainting trades off time efficiency for space

Important if windows are lightweight and nested

CALLING PAINTING CODE

```
g.drawOval(charX - X_OFFSET, charY - Y_OFFSET, DIAMETER,  
DIAMETER);  
g.drawLine(charX, charY, charX, charY - CARAT_LENGTH);  
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Called when?

What is the Java
API for receiving
expose events?

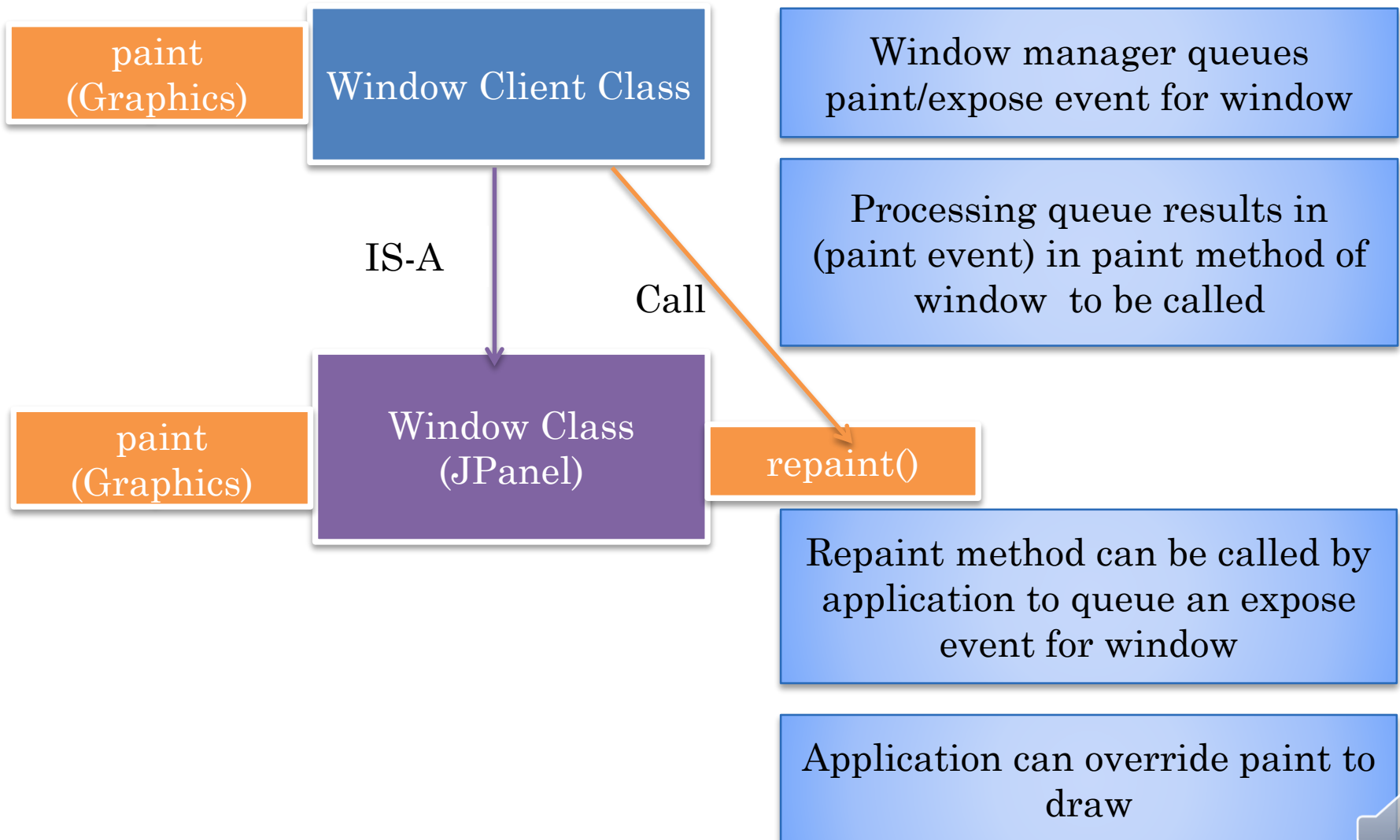
How to
accommodate both?

When what is to be
drawn changes

lastChar, charX, charY

When exposed area
changes?

AWT BASED EXPOSE EVENT PROCESSING

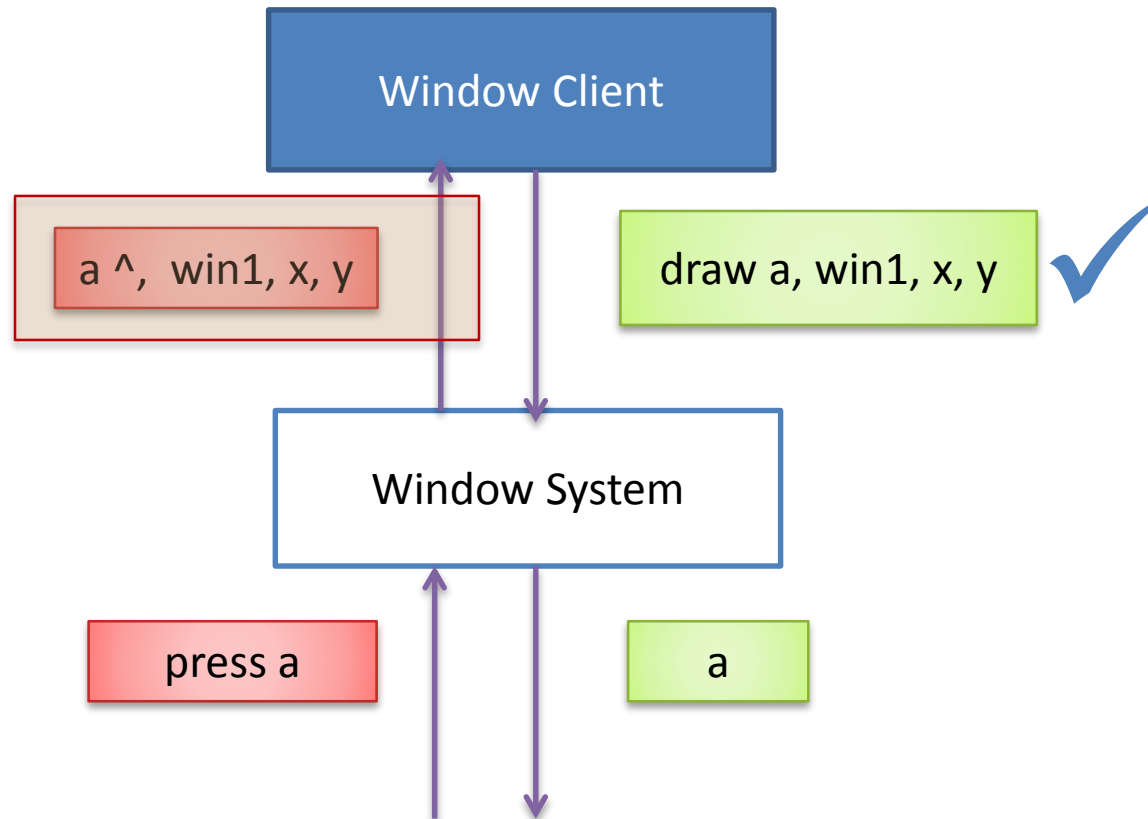


OVERRIDING PAINT METHOD

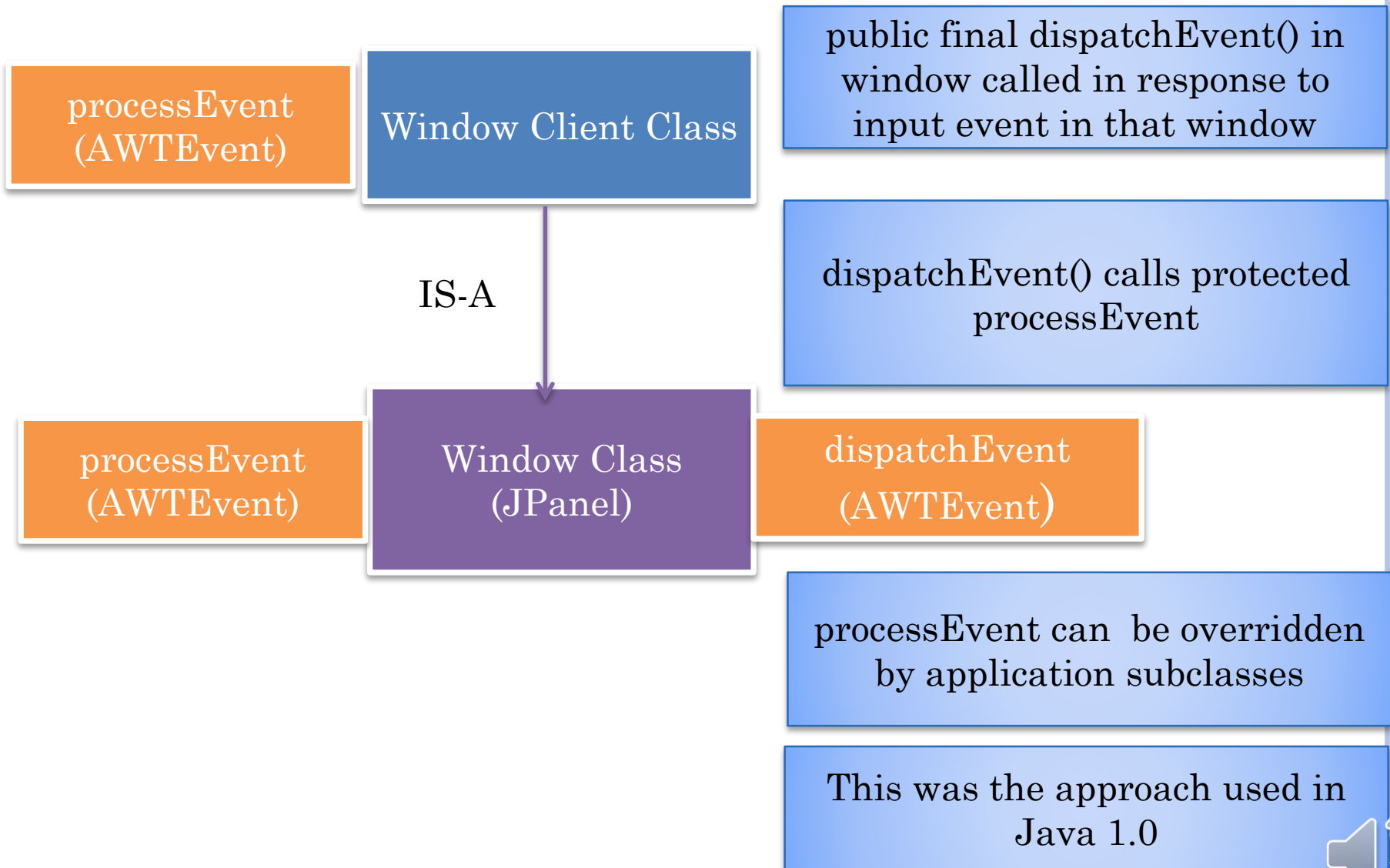
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MouseListener, KeyListener {
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// called when an enqueued paint event for this component is dequeued
public void paint (Graphics g) {
    super.paint(g); // clears the window
    // better to use FontMetrics to center circle
    g.drawOval(charX - X_OFFSET, charY - Y_OFFSET, DIAMETER, DIAMETER);
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}
public void keyTyped(KeyEvent event) {
    setChar(event.getKeyChar());
}
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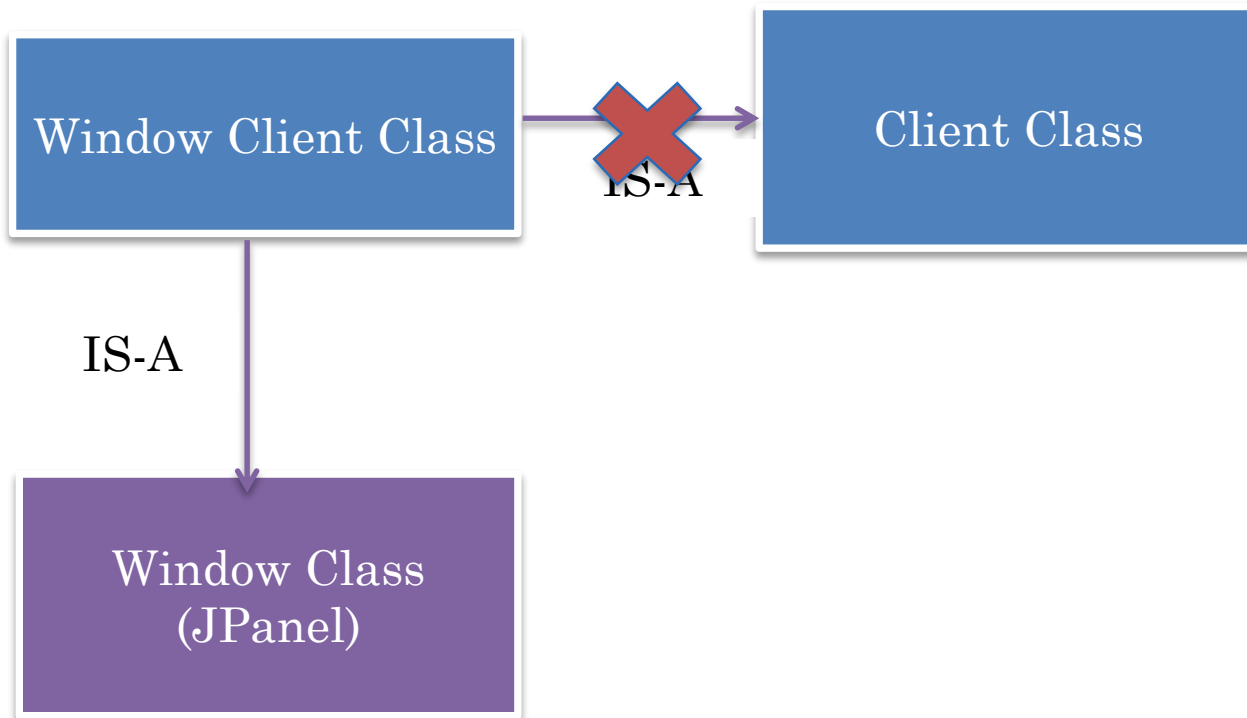
WINDOW I/O: INPUT



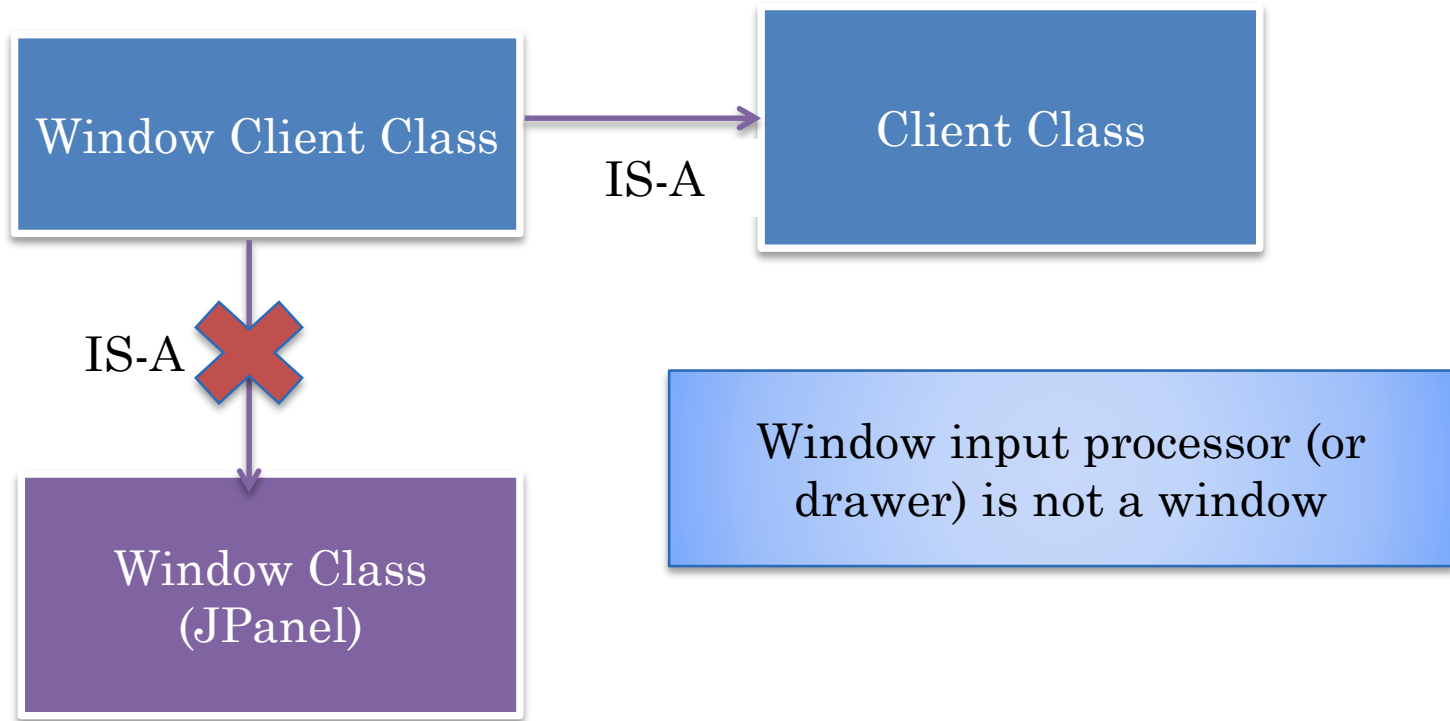
JAVA INHERITANCE BASED INPUT EVENT PROCESSING



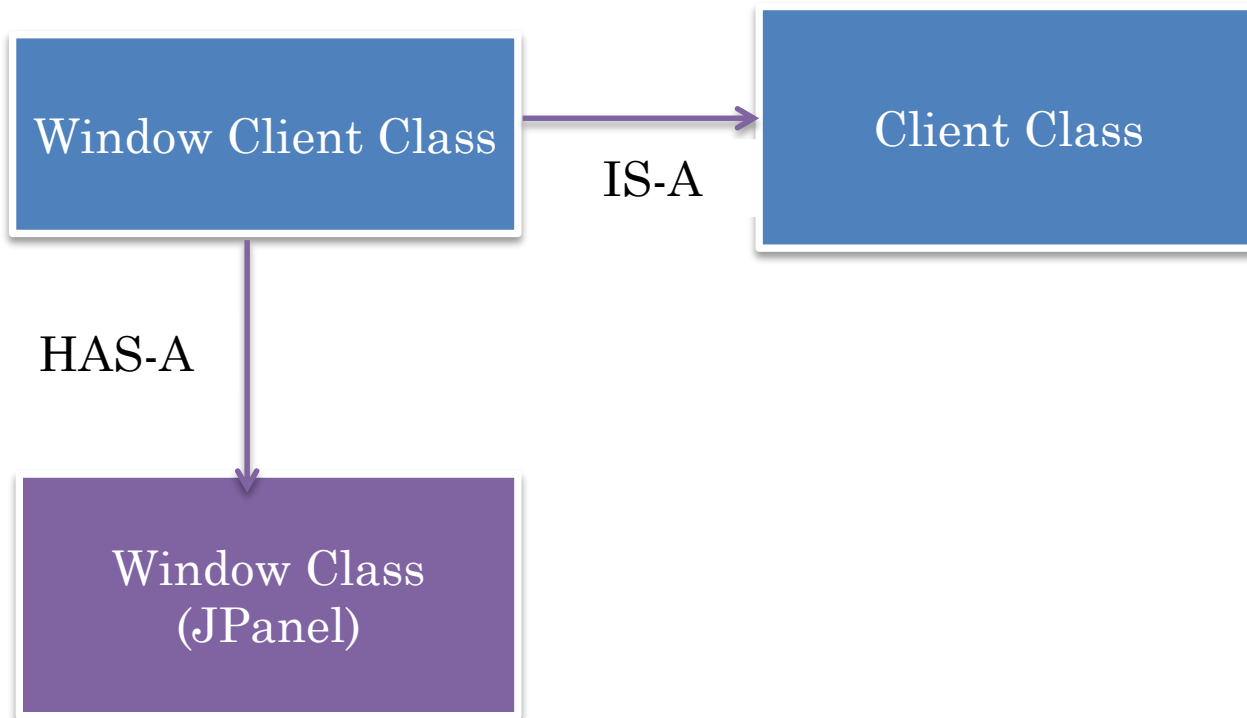
SINGLE-INHERITANCE PROBLEM



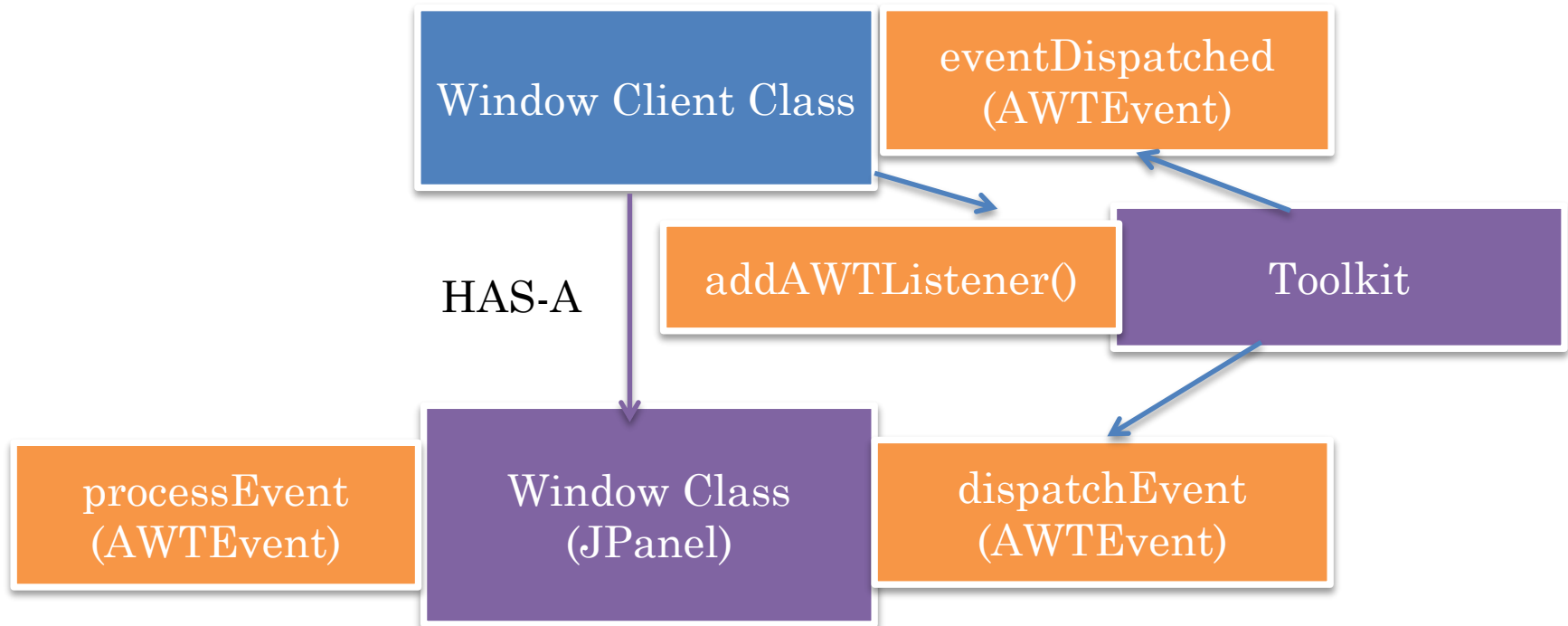
CONCEPTUAL PROBLEM WITH INHERITANCE



DELEGATING TO WINDOW SYSTEM



JAVA COARSE-GRAINED DELEGATION-BASED INPUT EVENT PROCESSING

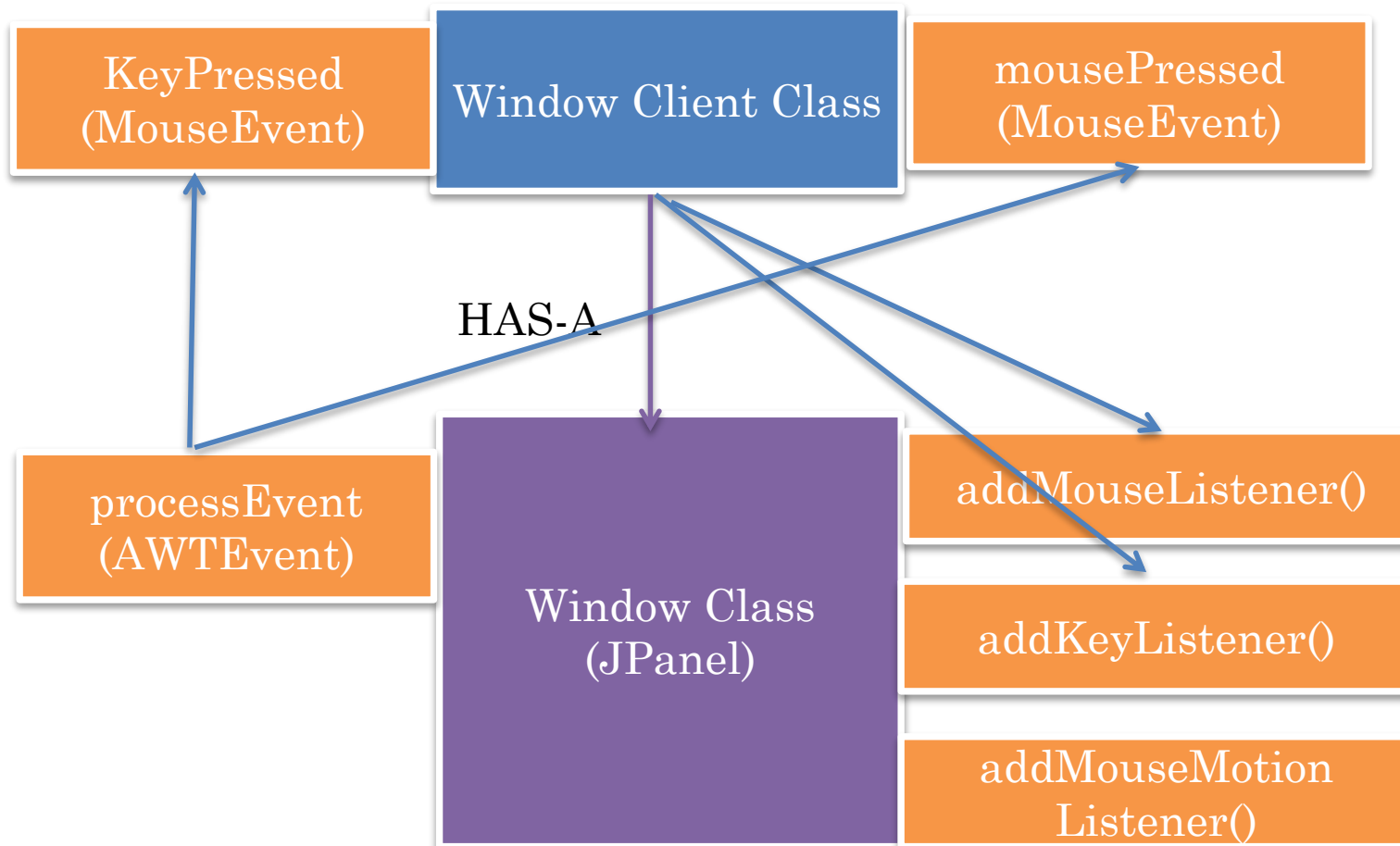


Must distinguish between mouse and event and key pressed, key typed, mousepressed, mousedragged, and other actions

Single way to get all events and then possibly dispatch them – useful for sharing events and telepointer



HIGHER-LEVEL, PER-WINDOW LISTENERS

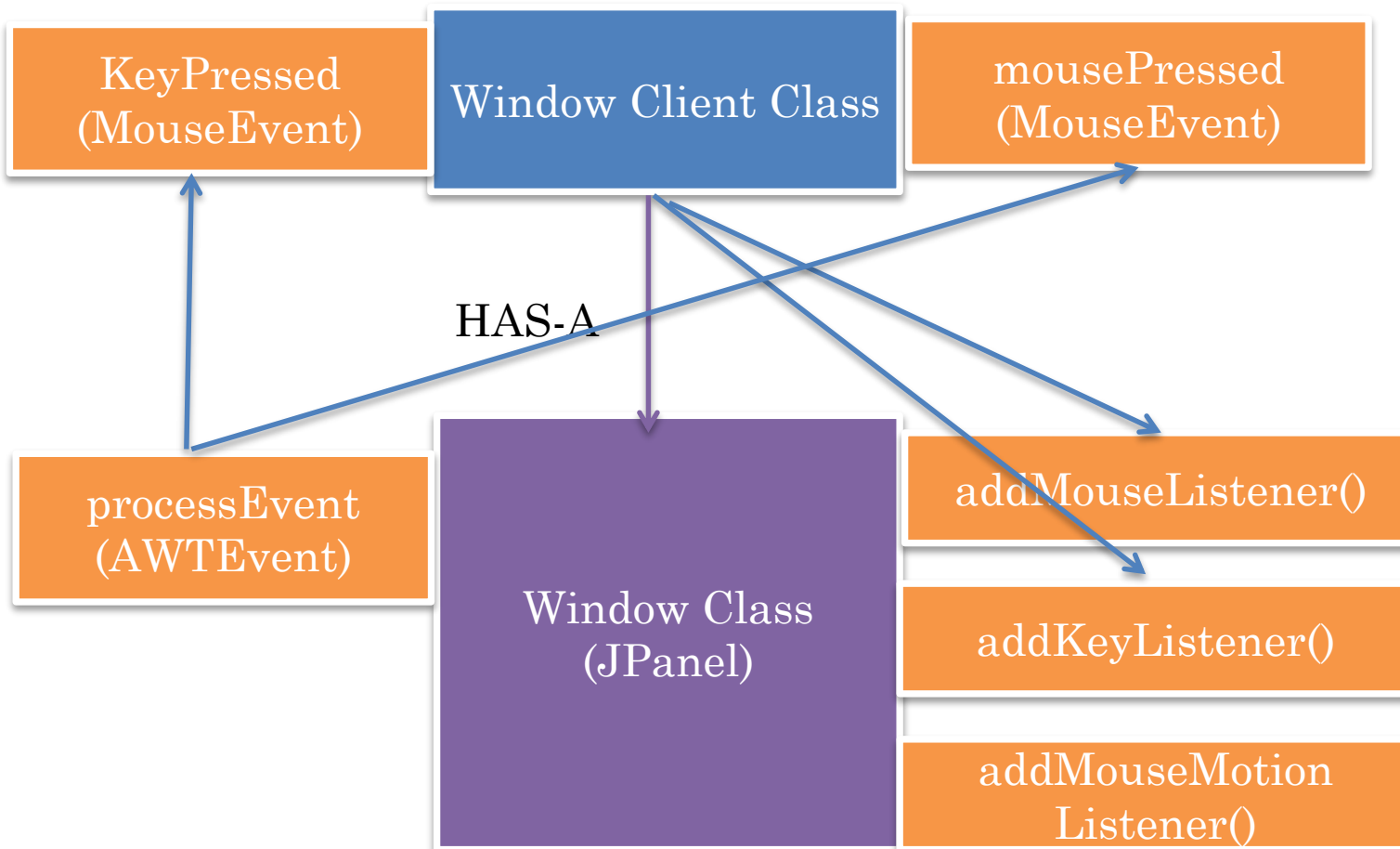


FINE-GRAINED DELEGATION MODEL

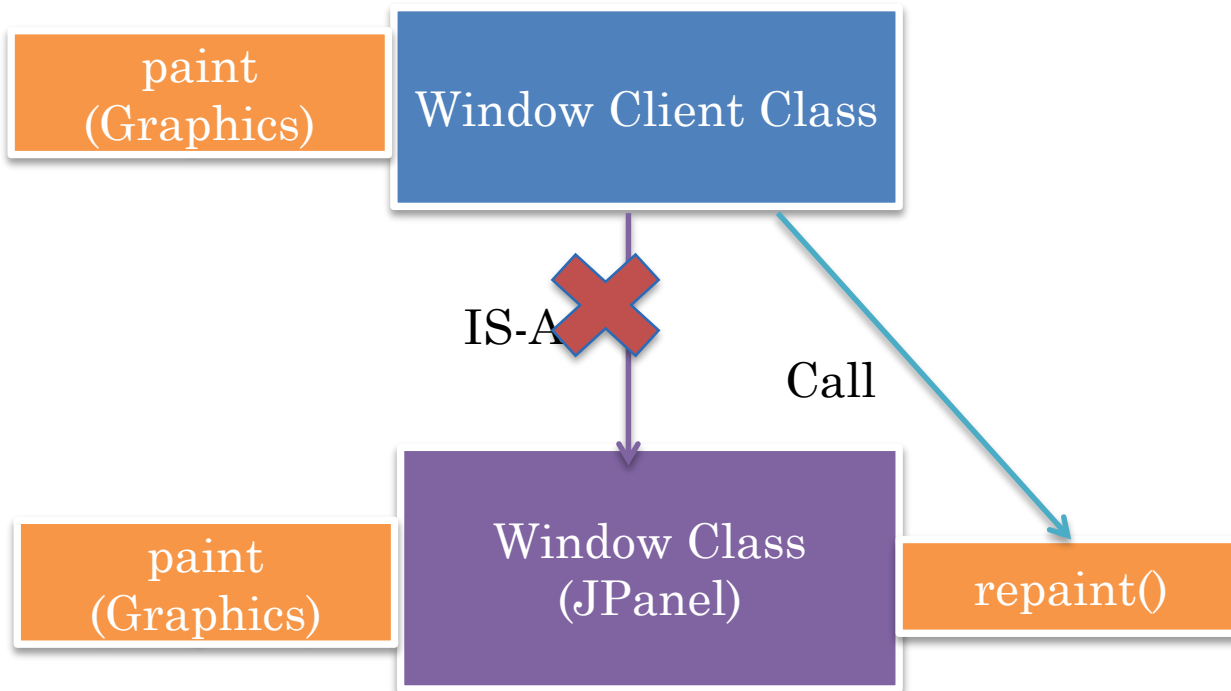
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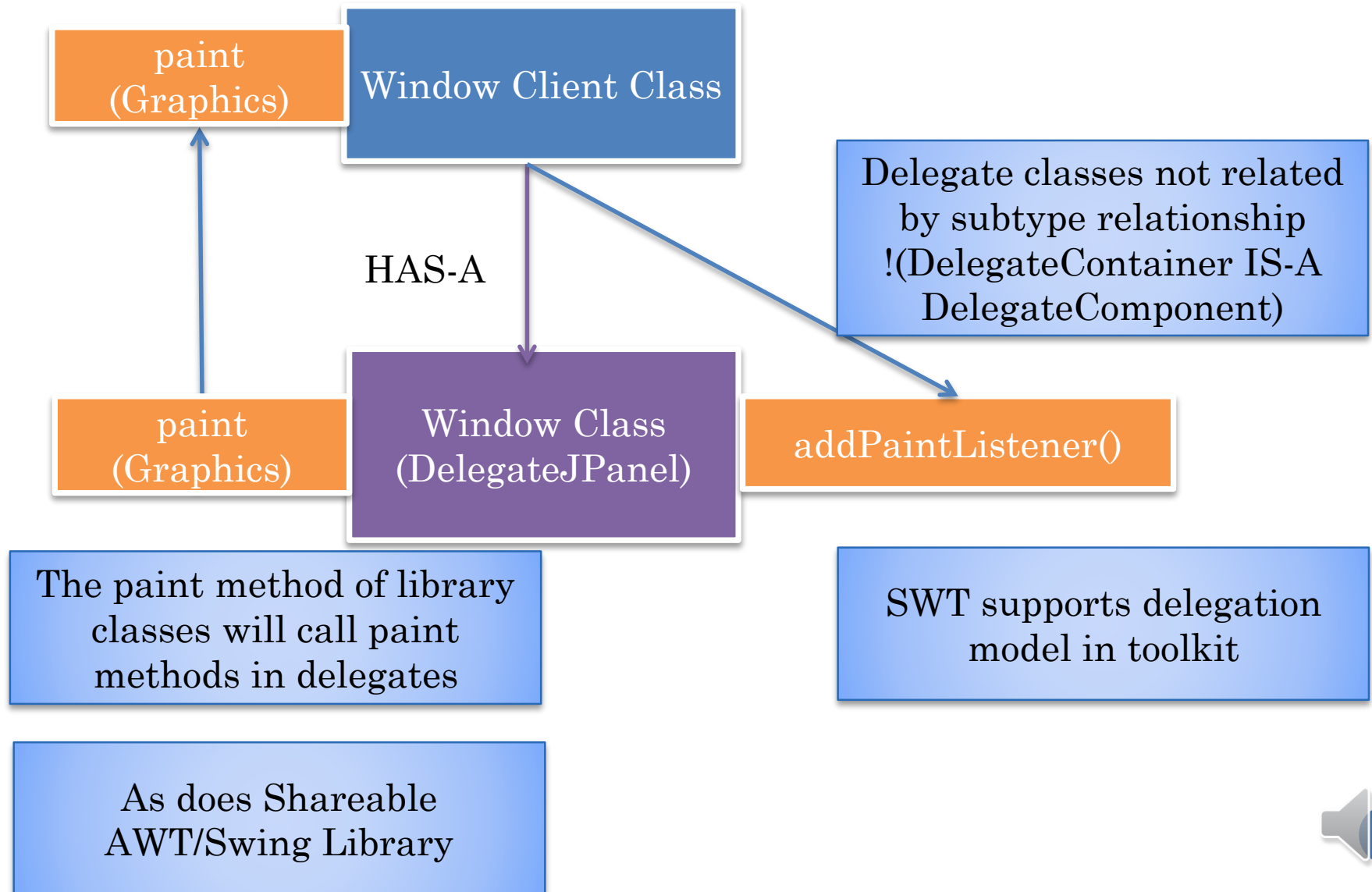
FINE-GRAINED IMPLEMENTATION



OUTPUT PROCESSING: INHERITANCE



OUTPUT PROCESSING: DELEGATION



UNDERSTANDING JAVA WINDOW SYSTEM

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SYSTEM-SPECIFIC ISSUES

How to create a telepointer?

How to intercept input for broadcast?

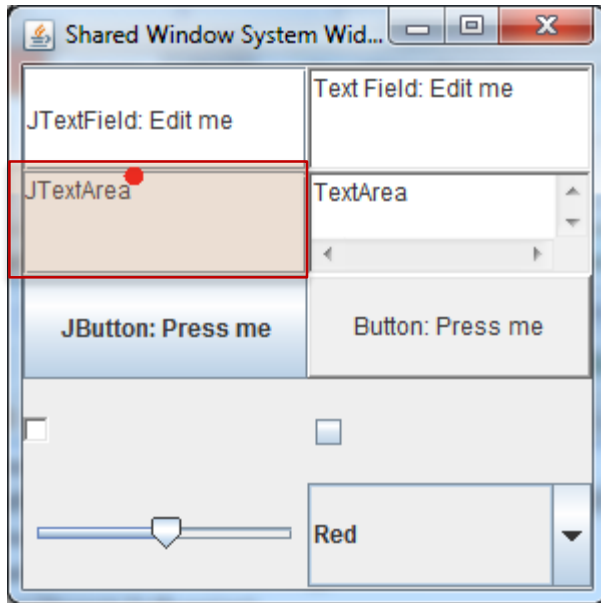
How to inject received input?

How to translate window IDs?

How to filter events?



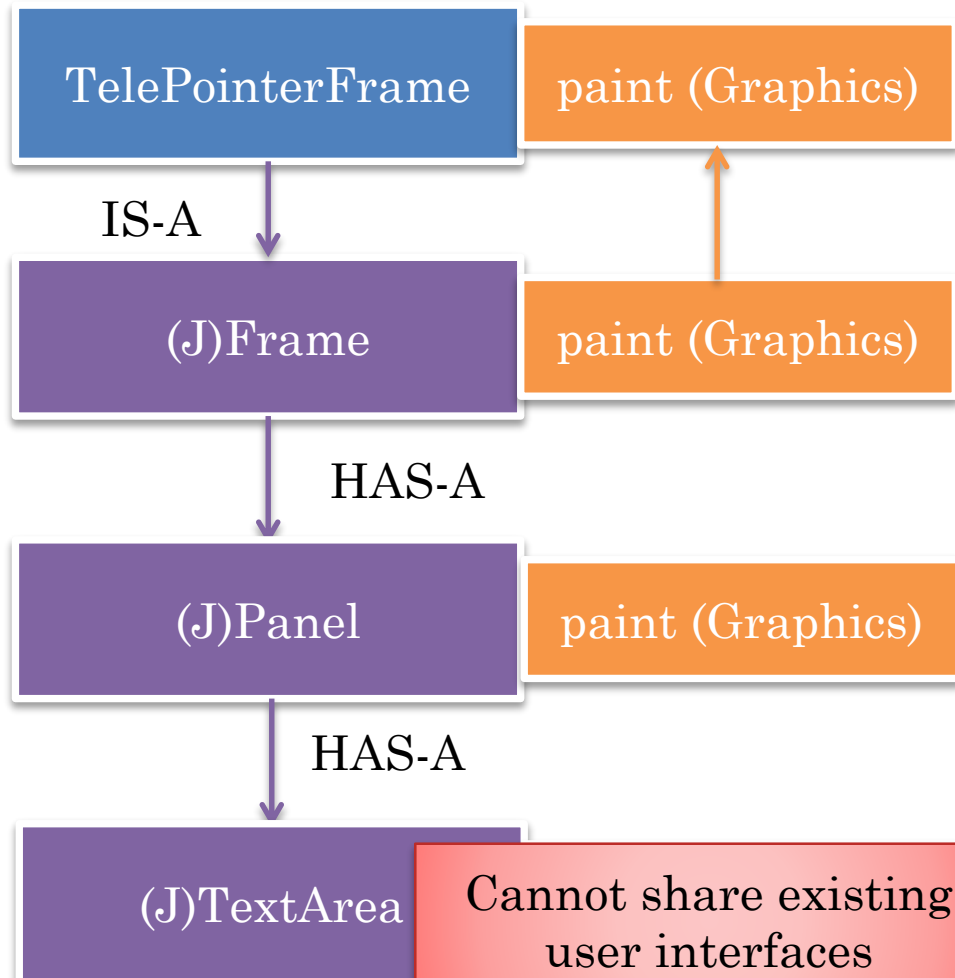
HOW TO CREATE A WINDOW TELEPOINTER



A component can be painted by it and all of its ancestors

A key or mouse event in a component is also an event in all of its ancestors

Nesting: smaller component overrides drawing and input processing of enclosing static components



Cannot share existing user interfaces

Cannot use nesting to draw telepointer



HOW TO CREATE A WINDOW TELEPOINTER?

Replace the top-level frame's window with one that draws movable telepointer shape?

Cannot use nesting to draw telepointer

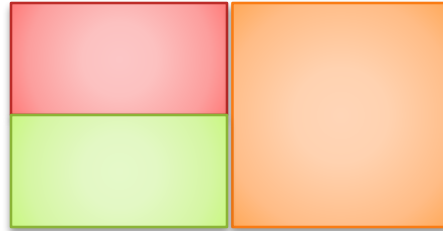
Even if we could, cannot share existing user interfaces



LAYERING VS. NESTING

Frame

setGlassPane()



Frame and
components

Glass Pane

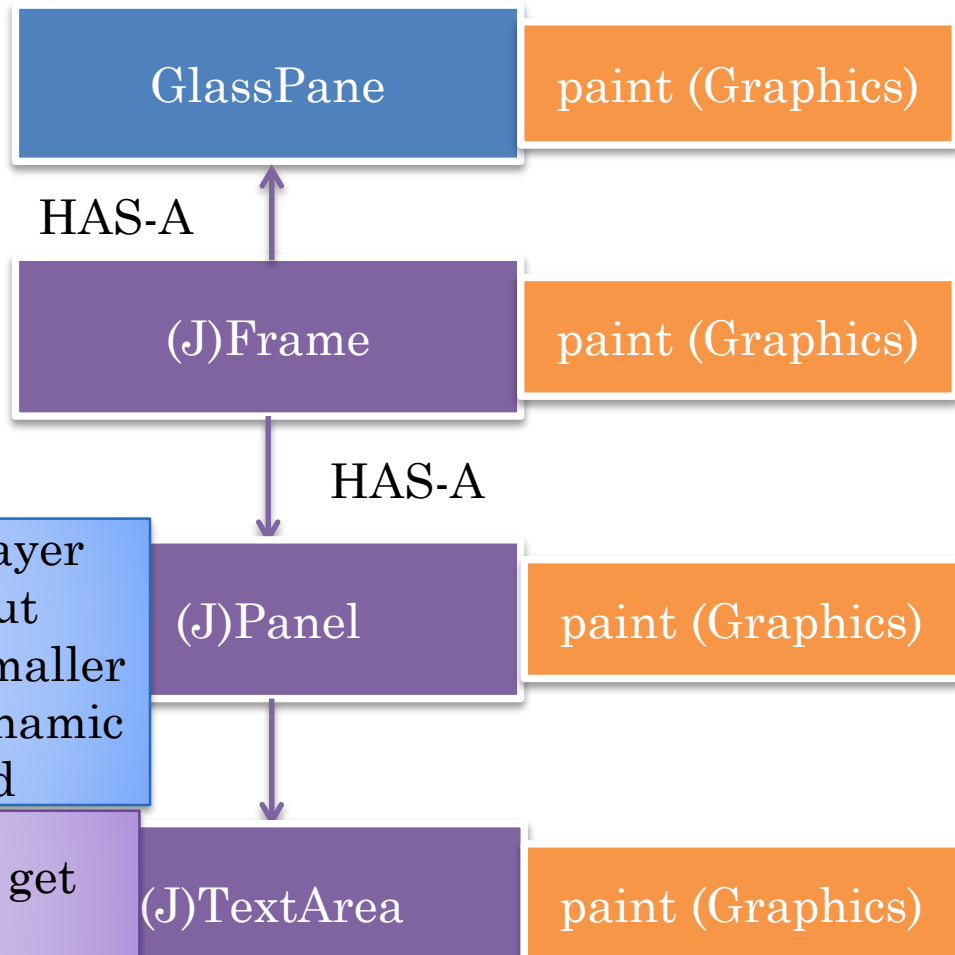
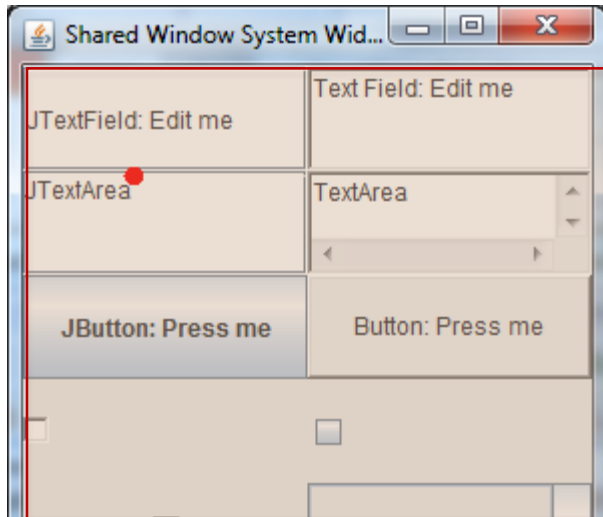
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Layering: Higher dynamic layer overrides drawing and input processing of lower, possibly smaller components.
Can simulate dynamic multiple parents of a child

Type based vs. structure based overriding



HOW TO CREATE A WINDOW TELEPOINTER



Layering: Higher dynamic layer overrides drawing and input processing of lower, possibly smaller components. Can simulate dynamic multiple parents of a child

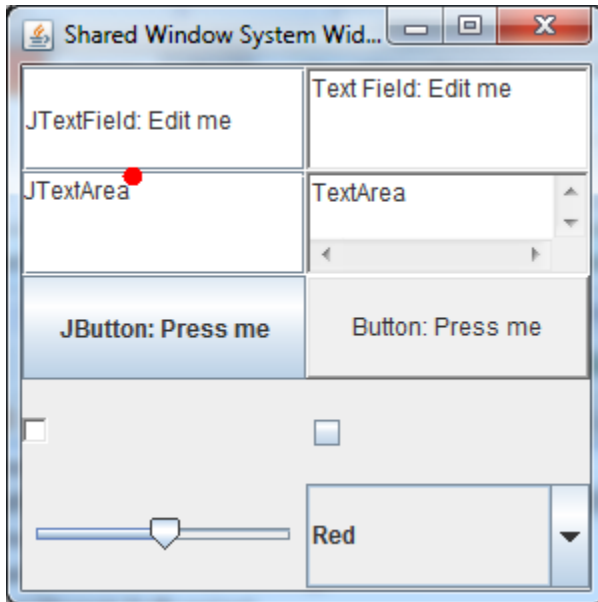
How do children components get events?

Glass pane will consume its events (drag of telepointer) and re-dispatch others to deepest children

Tricky and my solution does not always work (menus) – based on code found on the web



HOW TO CREATE A WINDOW TELEPOINTER ABSTRACTION?



TelepointerUtility

attach(Frame)

Cannot draw our own shape

GraphicsPainter

paint (Graphics)

AnExtendibleTele
PointerGlassPane
(Frame)

AnExtendible
TelePointer
GlassPane

addPainter
(GraphicsPainter)

getPointerX/Y()

GlassPaneController
getGlassPaneController()



ATTACHING A TELEPOINTER AND PAINTER

```
public interface GraphicsPainter {  
    void paint(Graphics g);  
}
```

```
glassPane = new AnExtendibleTelePointerGlassPane(telePointedFrame);  
glassPane.addPainter(createTelePointerPainter());
```

```
public interface GlassPaneController {  
    int getPointerSize();  
    void setPointerSize(int aSize);  
    int getPointerWidth();  
    void setPointerWidth(int aWidth);  
    int getPointerHeight();  
    void setPointerHeight(int aHeight);  
    boolean isShowTelePointer();  
    void setShowTelePointer(boolean showTelePointer);  
}
```

Painter should use the dimensions in controller to draw shape



HOW TO CREATE A TELEPOINTER

Instantiate a telepointer glasspane, passing it a JFrame

Implement a telepointer painter

Painter should reference the telepointer glass pane to get
paint position

Painter should reference the telepointer controller to get
paint dimensions



SYSTEM-SPECIFIC ISSUES

How to create a telepointer?



How to intercept input for broadcast?

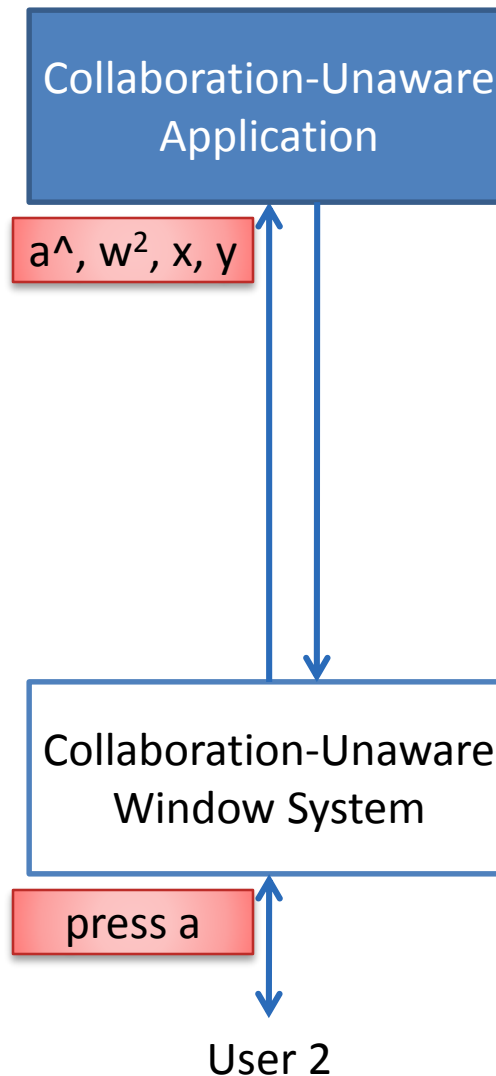
How to inject received input?

How to translate window IDs?

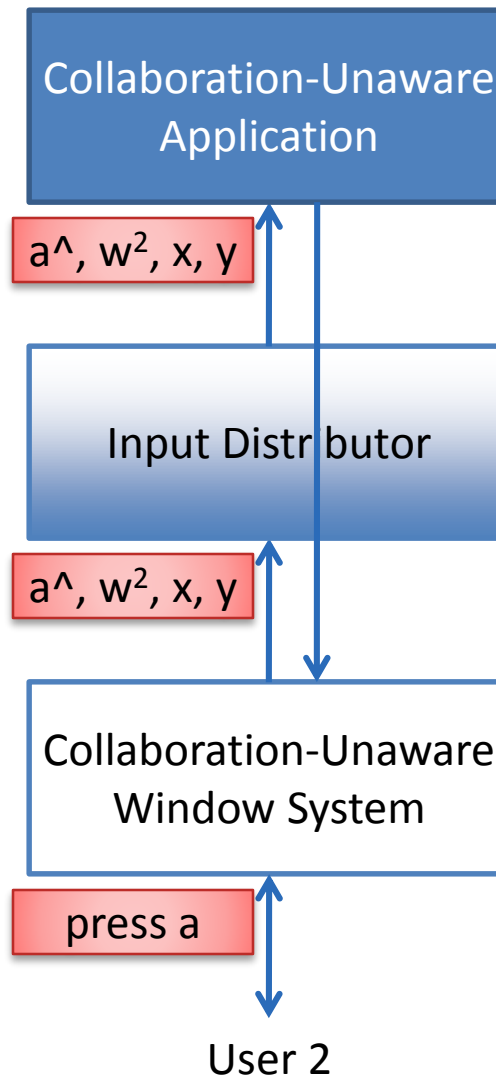
How to filter events?



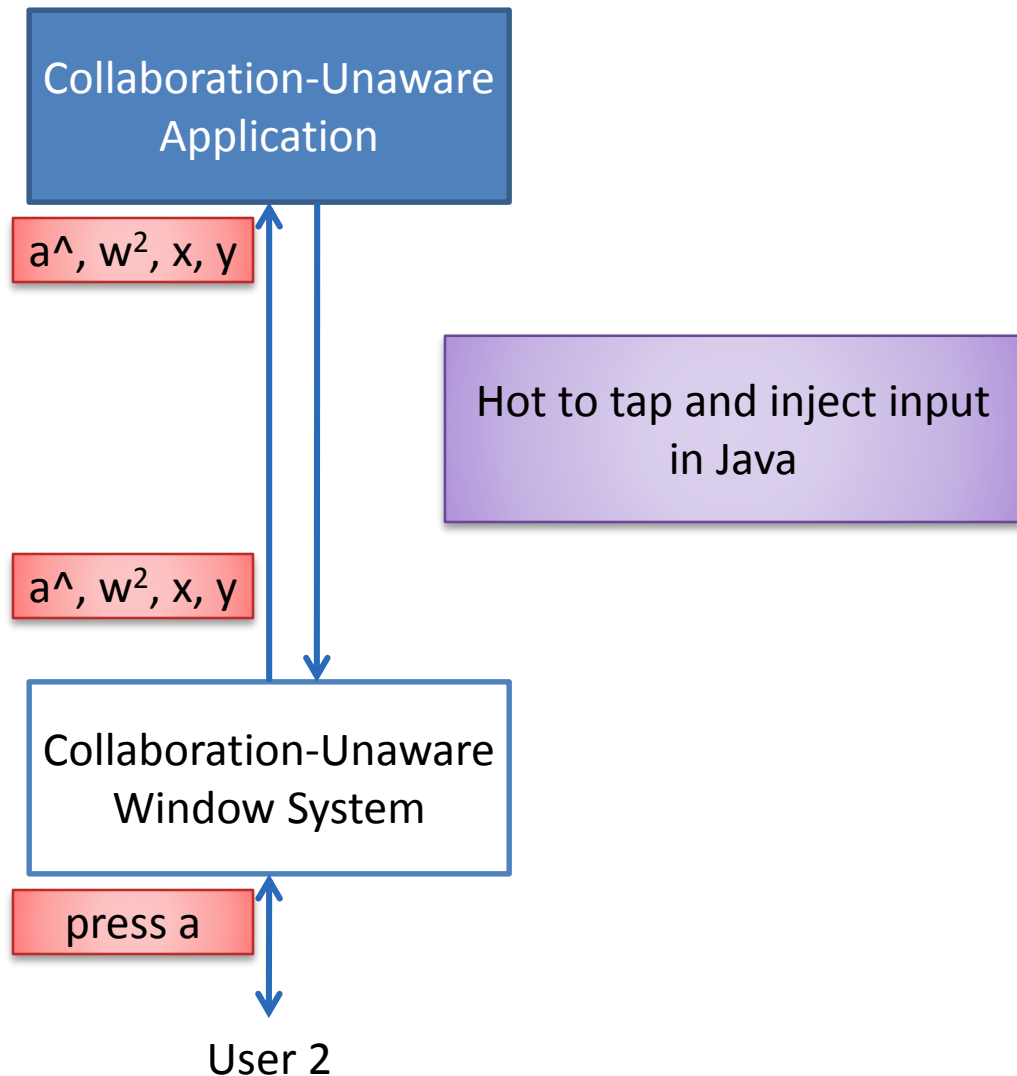
GENERAL MODEL OF SINGLE-USER WINDOW SYSTEM



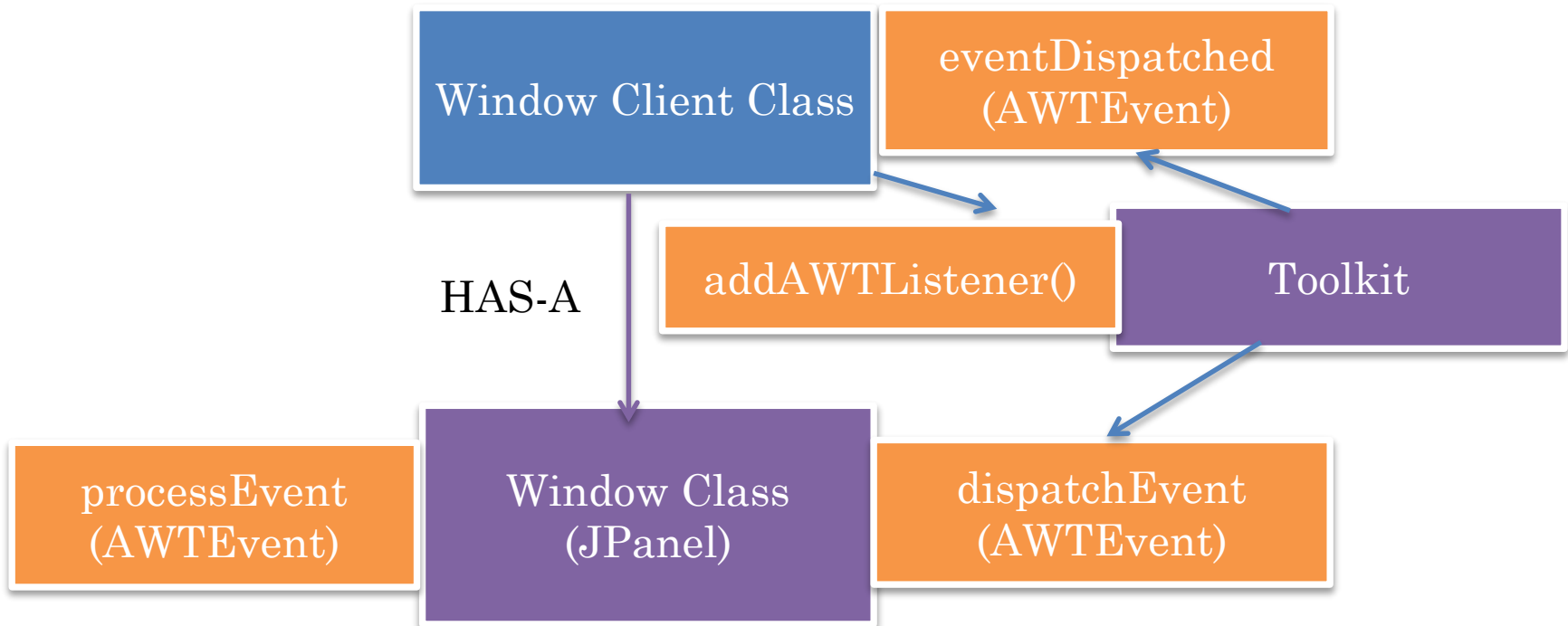
GENERAL MODEL OF REPLICATED WINDOW SYSTEM



GENERAL MODEL OF SINGLE-USER WINDOW SYSTEM AGAIN



JAVA COARSE-GRAINED DELEGATION-BASED INPUT EVENT PROCESSING

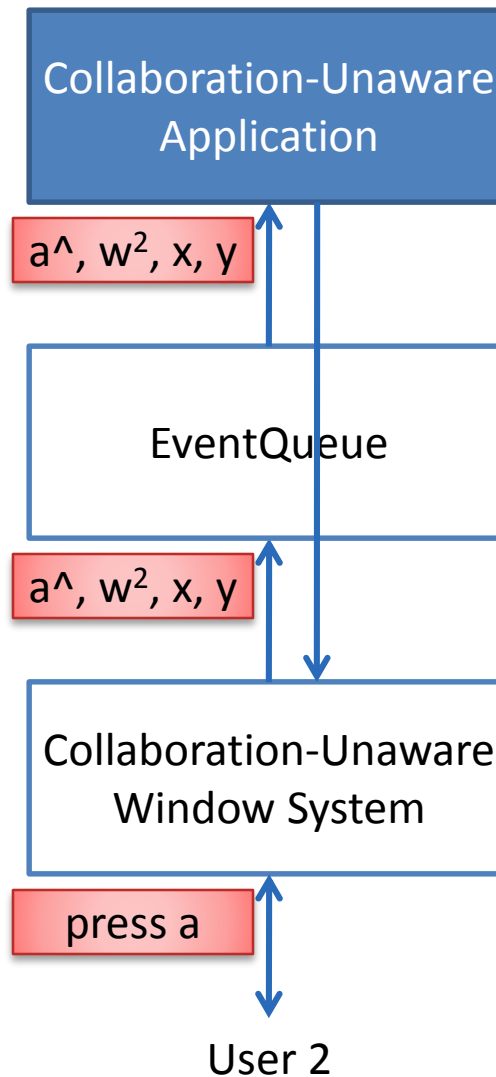


Can intercept events at the same time they are dispatched to local components

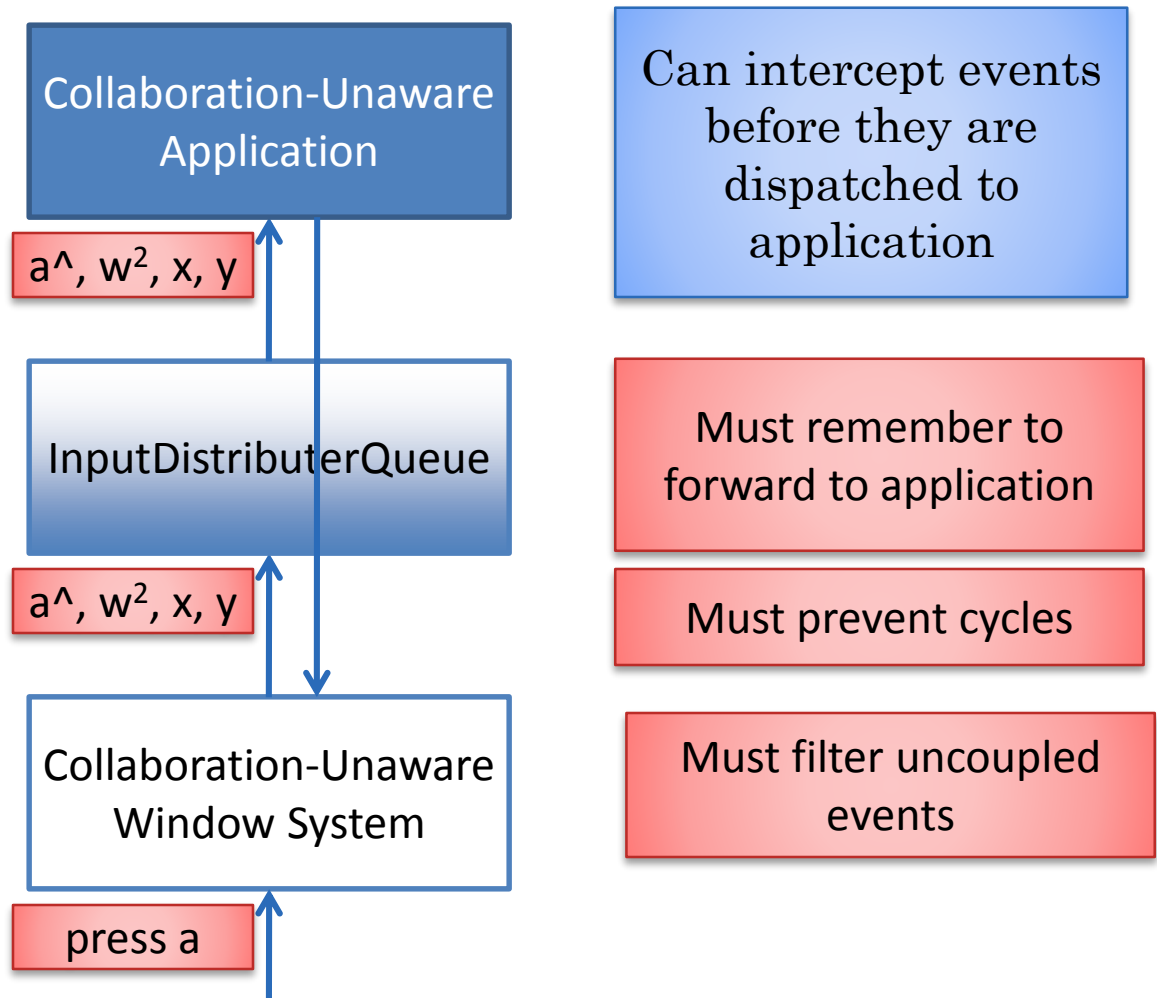
No direct way to inject or stop events – need to inspect event and send it to appropriate component



JAVA INPUT QUEUE



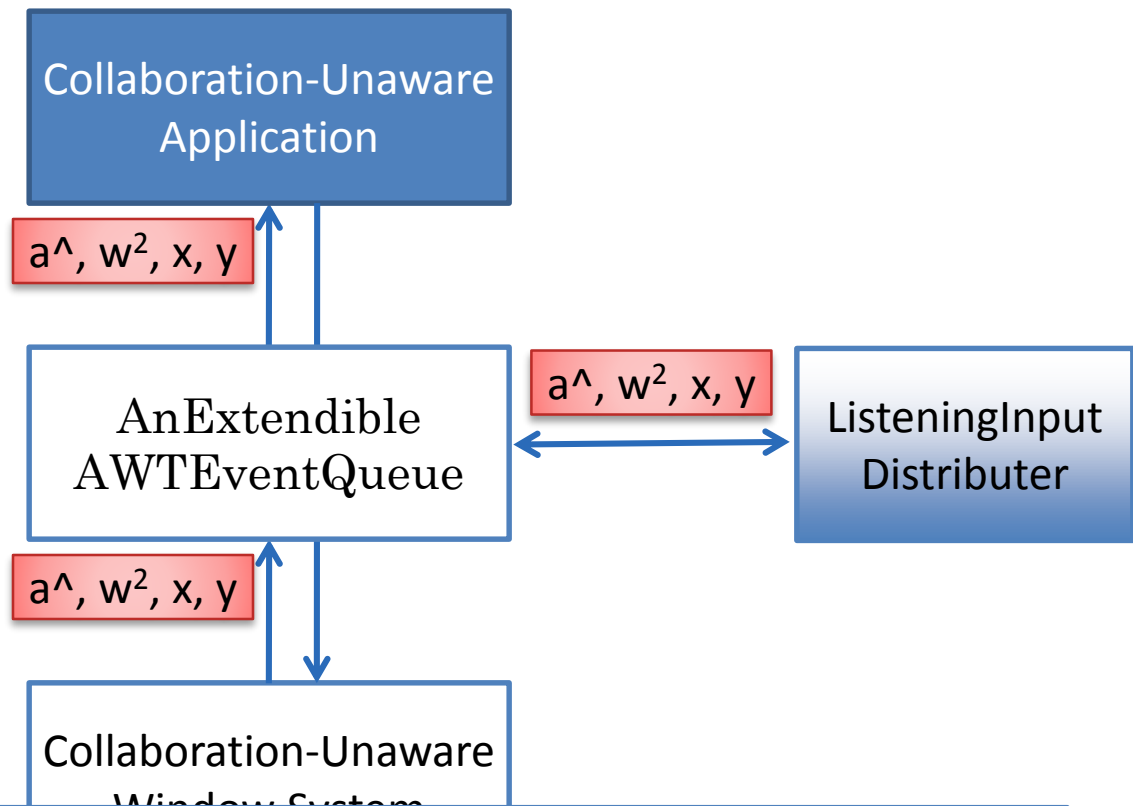
REPLACING QUEUE



```
Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit().getSystemEventQueue().push(  
    new InputDistributingQueue());
```



LIBRARY LISTENABLE EVENT QUEUE

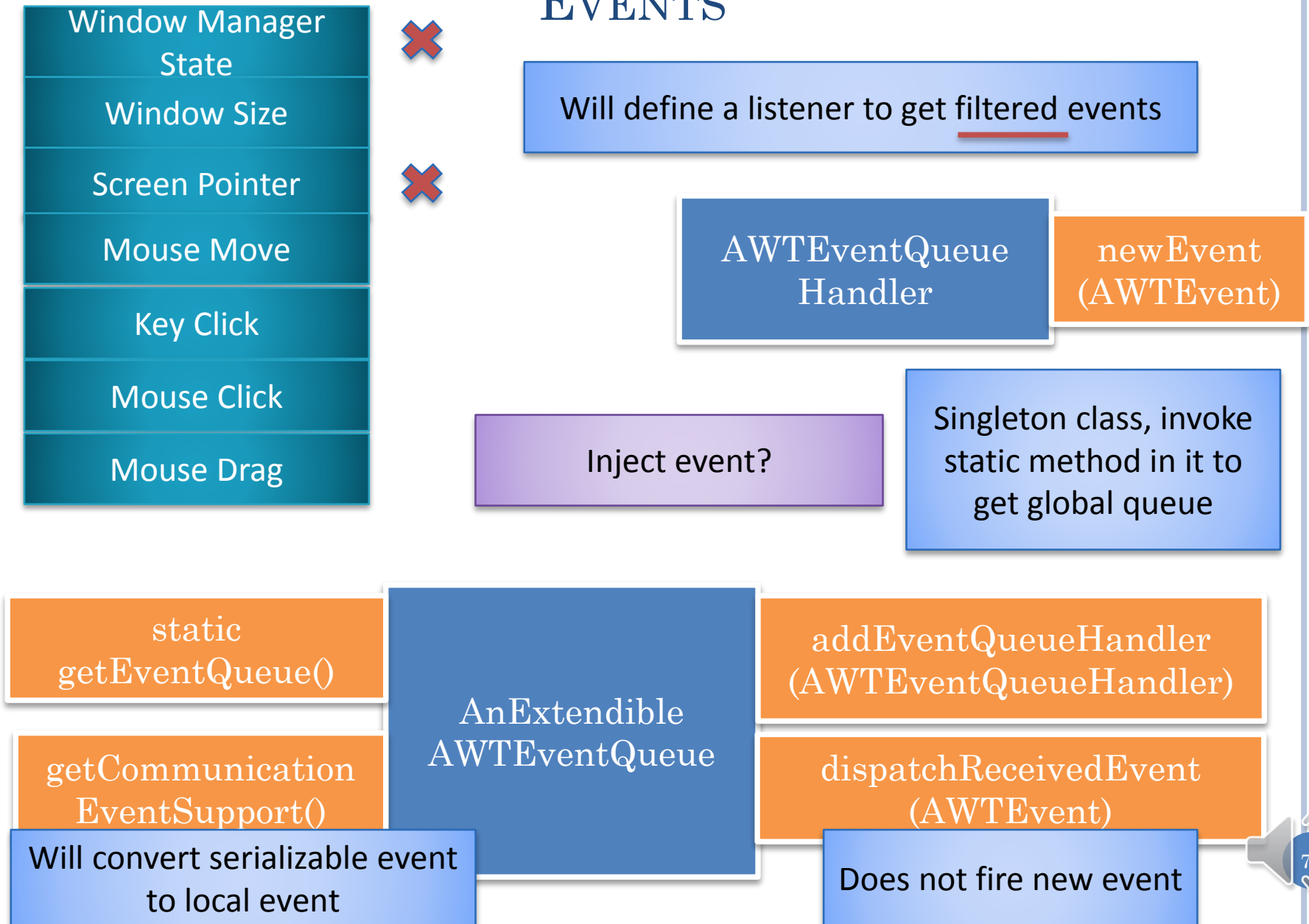


```
Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit().getSystemEventQueue().push(  
    this)
```

```
AnExtendibleAWTEventQueue.getEventQueue().  
    addEventHandler(new ListeningInputDistributer());
```



HOW TO INTERCEPT AND INJECT WINDOW EVENTS



LISTENABLE, INJECTABLE EVENT QUEUE

```
package util.awt;
public interface ExtendibleAWTEventQueue extends
PropertyVetoerRegistrar {
    public void addEventQueueHandler(AWTEventQueueHandler listener);
    public void removeEventQueueHandler(AWTEventQueueHandler listener);
    public void clearEventQueuehandlers();
    public void dispatchEvent(AWTEvent event);
    void dispatchReceivedEvent(AWTEvent anEvent);
}
```

dispatchEvent vs. dispatchReceivedEvent ~ replicatedAdd vs. observableAdd



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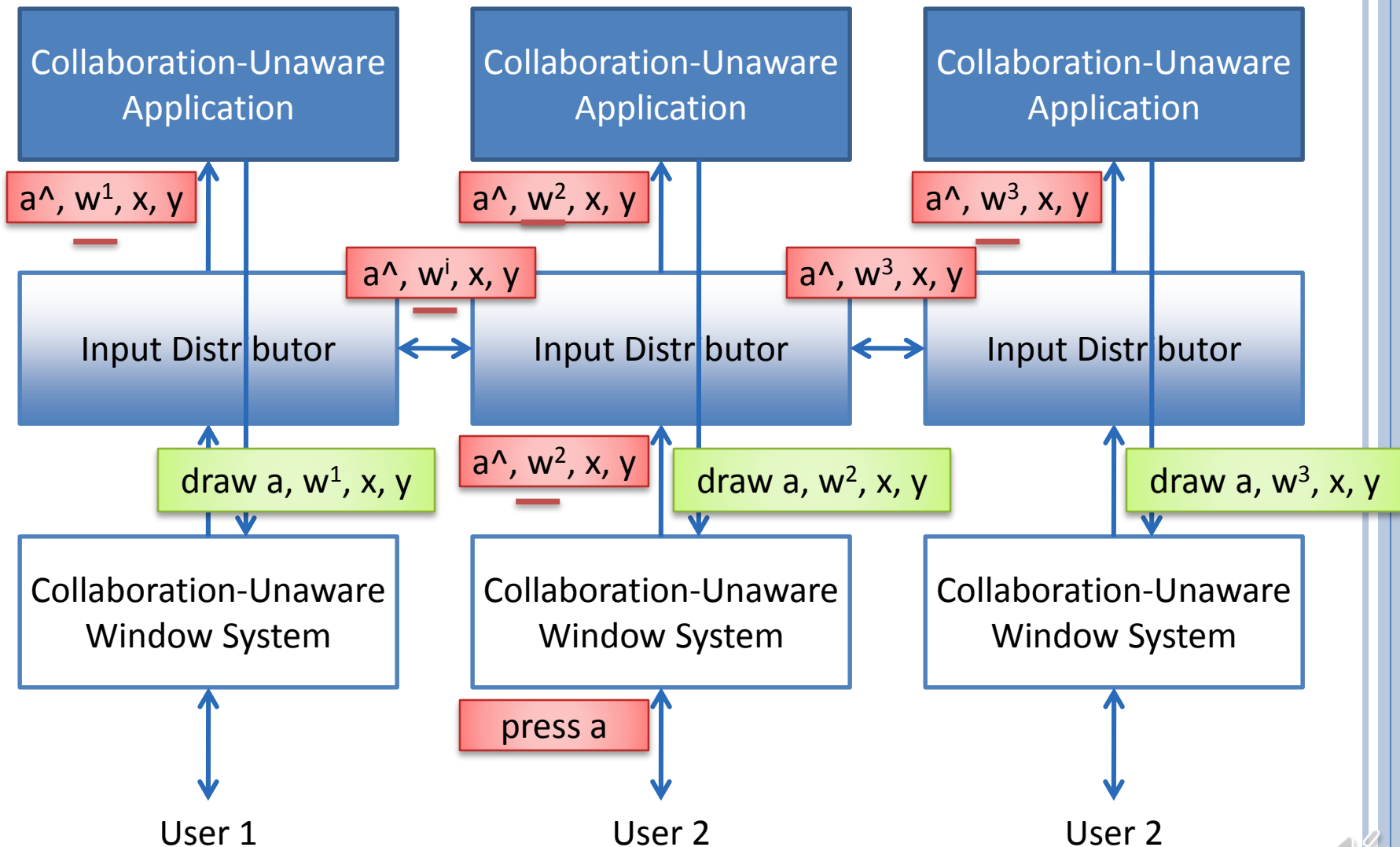


TRANSLATE WINDOW IDS

How to find corresponding windows in different replicas?



TRANSLATING WINDOW IDS



CONNECTING REPLICA WINDOWS

Window

Window

Replicated shared window systems can assume same sequence of windows.

Can use names of Java windows

Window

Window

How to replace local window ids (Component instances) in events with global ids (integer, string) and global ids in events with local ids?



TRANSLATION

Given AWTEvent e, component c

Send ASerializableAWTEvent (e, toID(c))

ASerializable
AWTEvent

ASerializable
AWTEvent (AWTEvent, String)

Given SerializableAWTEvent (event e, id i)

Dispatch toDispatchedEvent(e ,
toComponent(i)) to
AnExtendibleAWTEventQueue

CommunicatedAWT
EventSupport

AWTEvent
toDispatchedEvent(SerializableAWTEvent ,
Component component);

`AnExtendibleAWTEventQueue.getEventQueue().getCommunicatedEventSupport()`



SERIALIZABLE EVENT → LOCAL EVENT

```
package util.awt;  
public class ASerializableAWTEvent implements SerializableAWTEvent {  
    public ASerializableAWTEvent(AWTEvent theEvent, String theComponentId) {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```
SerializableAWTEvent serializableEvent (SerializableAWTEvent) aMessage;  
AWTEvent aDispatchedEvent =  
    AnExtendibleAWTEventQueue.getEventQueue().  
        getCommunicatedEventSupport().toDispatchedEvent(  
            serializableEvent, toComponent(serializableEvent));  
AnExtendibleAWTEventQueue.getEventQueue().dispatchReceivedEvent  
    (aDispatchedEvent)
```

toComponent() written by programmer to translate
between global id and local component



TRANSLATE WINDOW IDS

How to find corresponding windows in different replicas?

How to find the windows and creation sequence in each replica?



WINDOW CREATION EVENT → REGISTER SUBTREE

Once we find a window, we can recursively find all of its descendants

```
((Container) component).getComponents();
```

Resize event sent to EventQueue when it is created

```
AWTMisc.isResizeEvent(event);
```

If E is window creation (resize) event then register the global ids of its subtree if the subtree has not already been registered



A TALE OF TWO RESIZE EVENTS

Resize event sent both when window resized and it is created.

Want to dispatch normal received resize events but not creation events

Connect queue listener before window tree created to get resize events

To prevent window creation events remotely broadcast

broadcaster can be attached after window tree is created,
which means two different listeners

broadcaster can have a special mode to separate the two
phases

receive listener can be attached after local window tree
created



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TRANSMIT FUNCTION

Window Manager
Events

Filter by Event Type

Done by library

Filter by (Top) Window Name

```
Object event.getSource();
```

```
SwingUtilities.getRoot  
(Component)
```

Need to cast source as
Component

Mouse Drag

Filter by Event Time

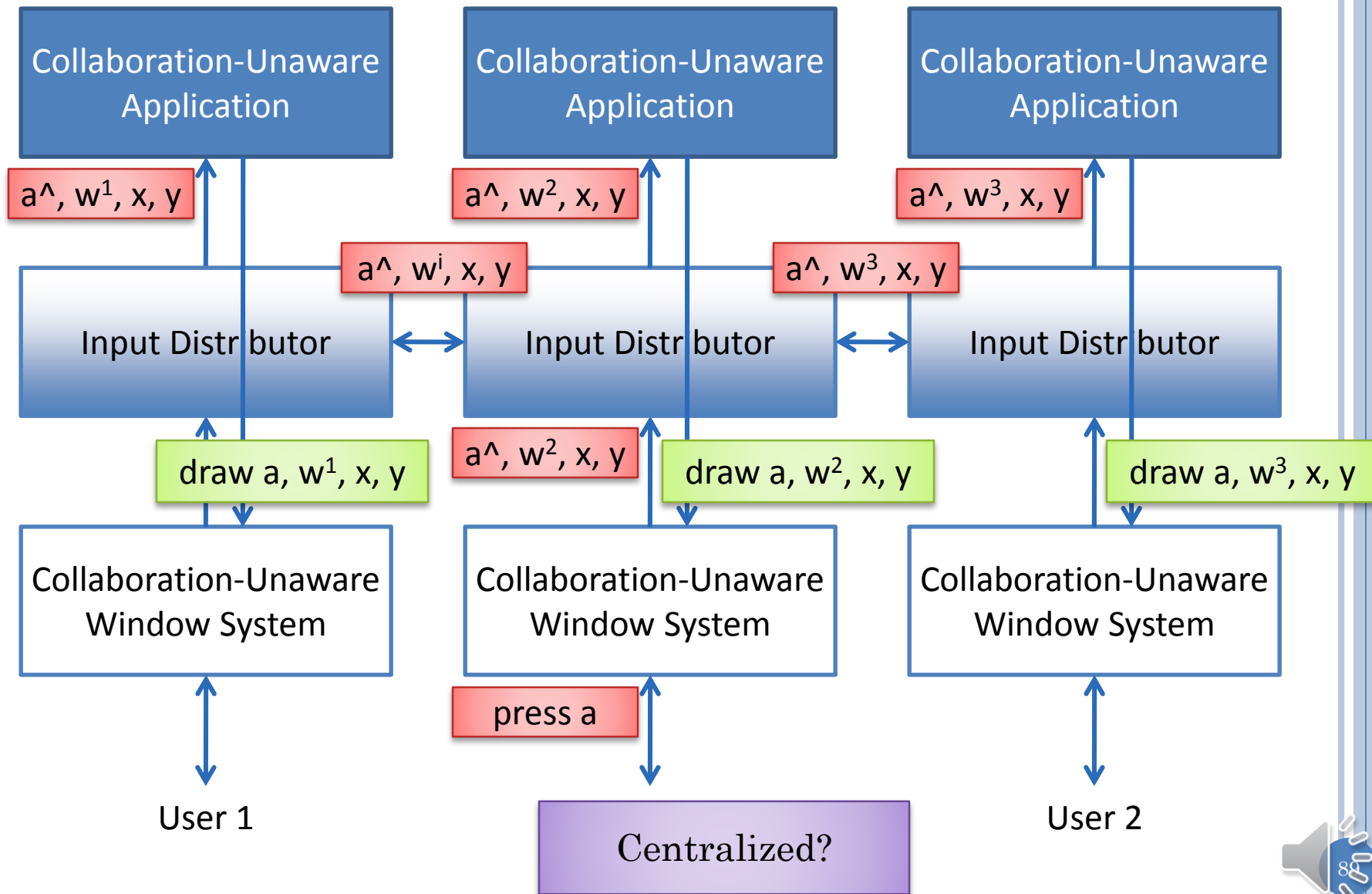
```
System.currentTimeMillis();
```

```
AWTMisc.isMouseDragged  
Event(event);
```

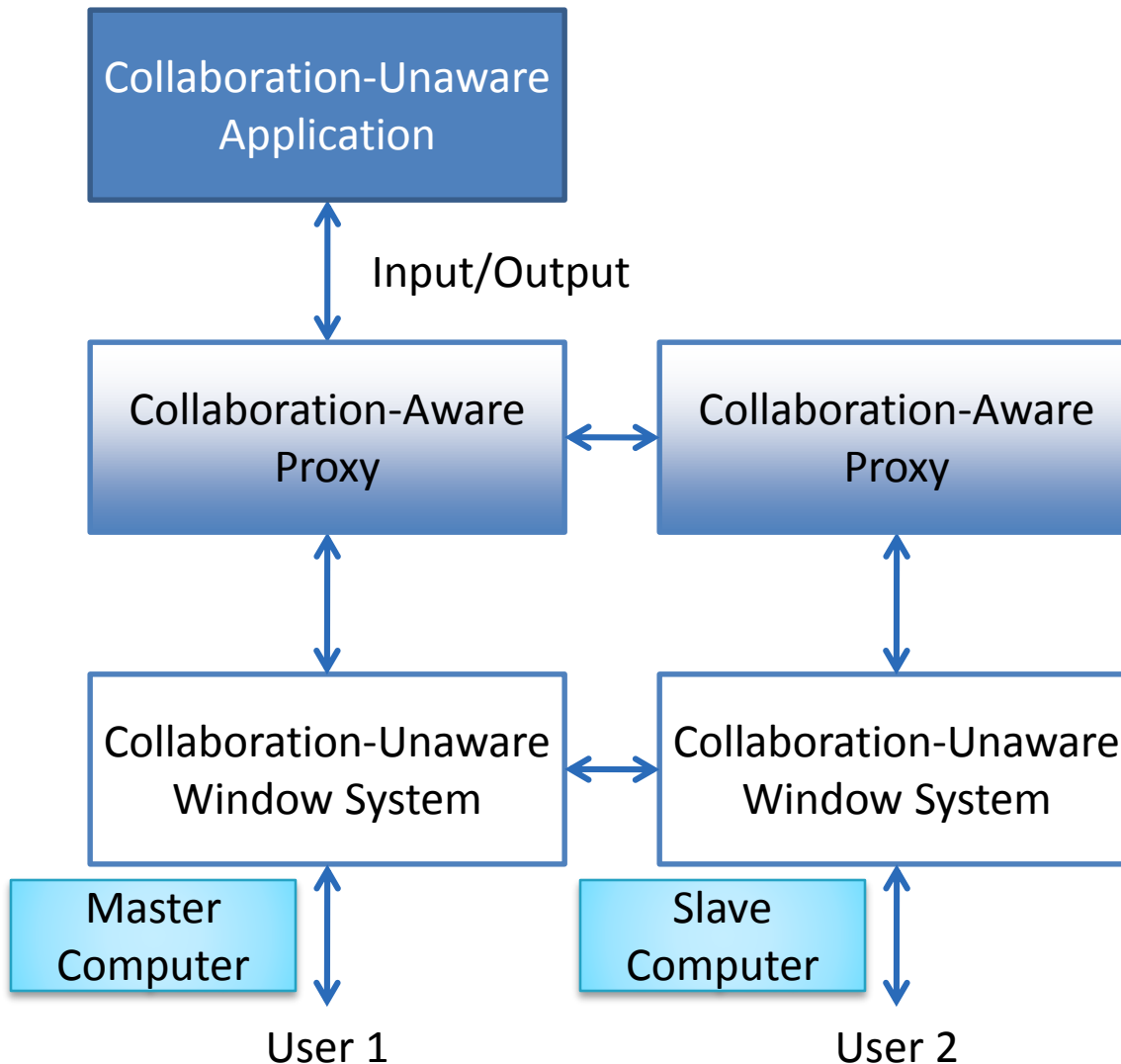
Need to ensure that last
mouse drag event is sent



REPLICATED VS. CENTRALIZED WINDOW SYSTEM



CENTRALIZED SHARED WINDOW SYSTEM



The shared application runs on the (master) computer of only one of the collaborators

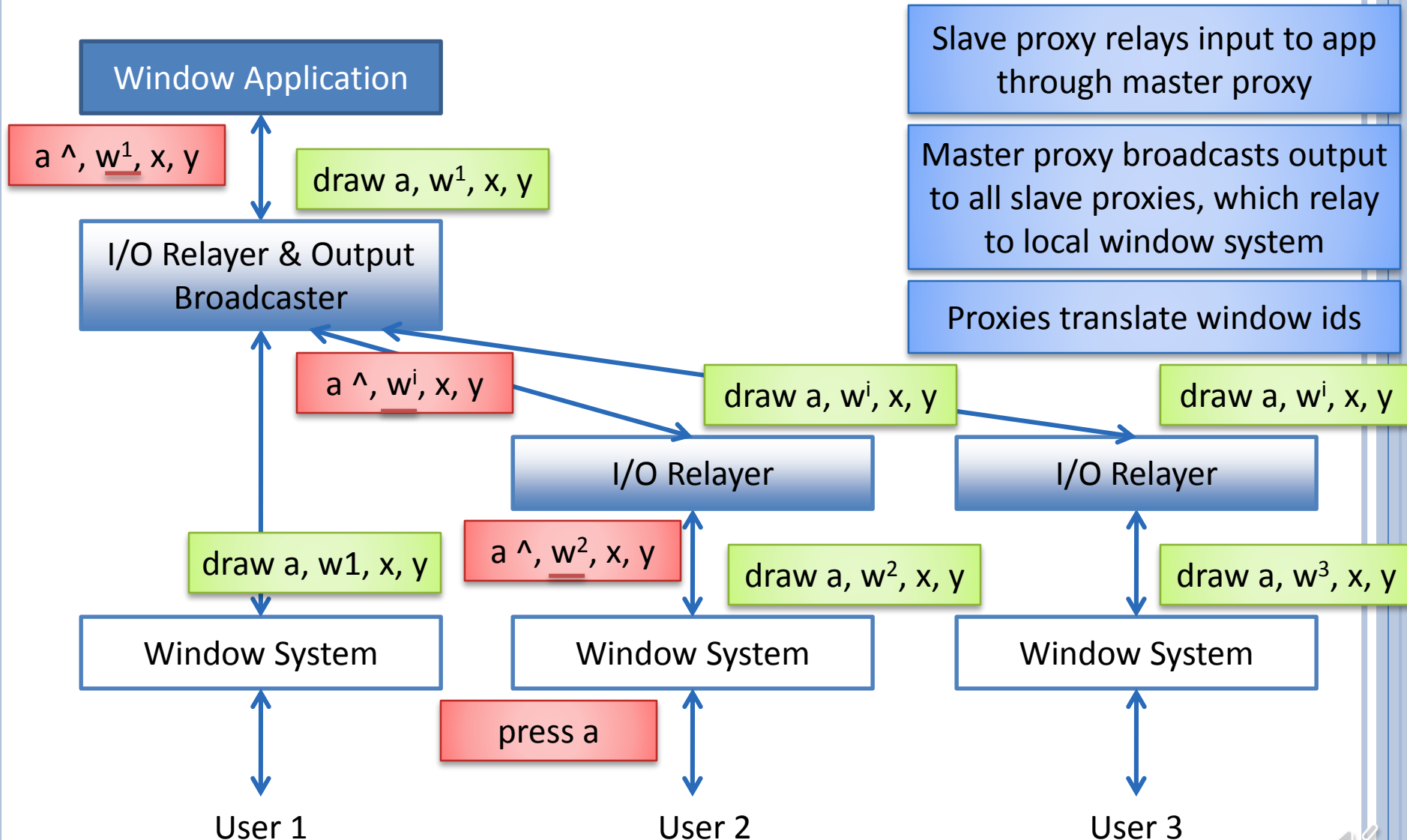
The shared application runs on the (master) computer of only one of the collaborators

Each user's input relayed to application through proxies

Each output of application broadcast to all users through proxies



PROXY FUNCTIONS



REPLICATED WINDOW ALGORITHM

For each Window w , create Telepointer w^t

For each Window (including Telepointer) Input I

I should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

For each replica, if Transmit(I) then I should be followed by matching WindowEventSent

How to change it to centralized?

For each WindowEventReceived R

R should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

For each replica, R should be followed by matching WindowEventSent



CENTRALIZED WINDOW ALGORITHM

Master and Slave

For each Window w , create Telepointer w^t

For each Window (including Telepointer) Event I

I should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched (including Telepointer)

If $\text{isSlave}()$ and $\text{Transmit}(I)$ then I should be followed by matching WindowEventSent to Master

Master Receiver

For each WindowEventReceived R at Master, R should be followed by matching WindowEventDispatched

For each output call O , O should be followed by WindowRequestMade and WindowRequestSent to all Slaves

Slave Receiver

For each WindowRequestReceived R at Slave, R should be followed by WindowRequestMade

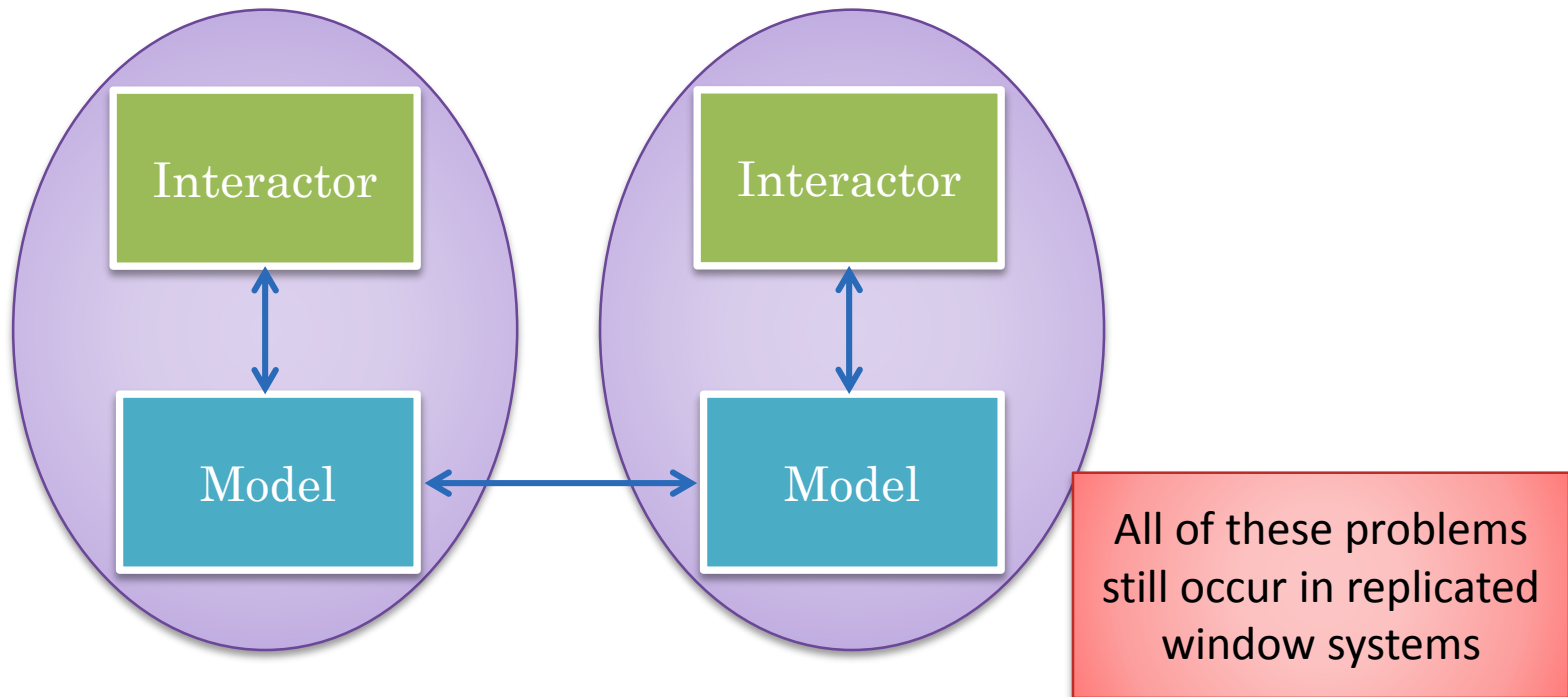
CENTRALIZED VS. REPLICATED WINDOW SYSTEMS

Centralized vs. Replicated Shared Window Systems

~ Centralized vs. Replicated Shared Model Systems



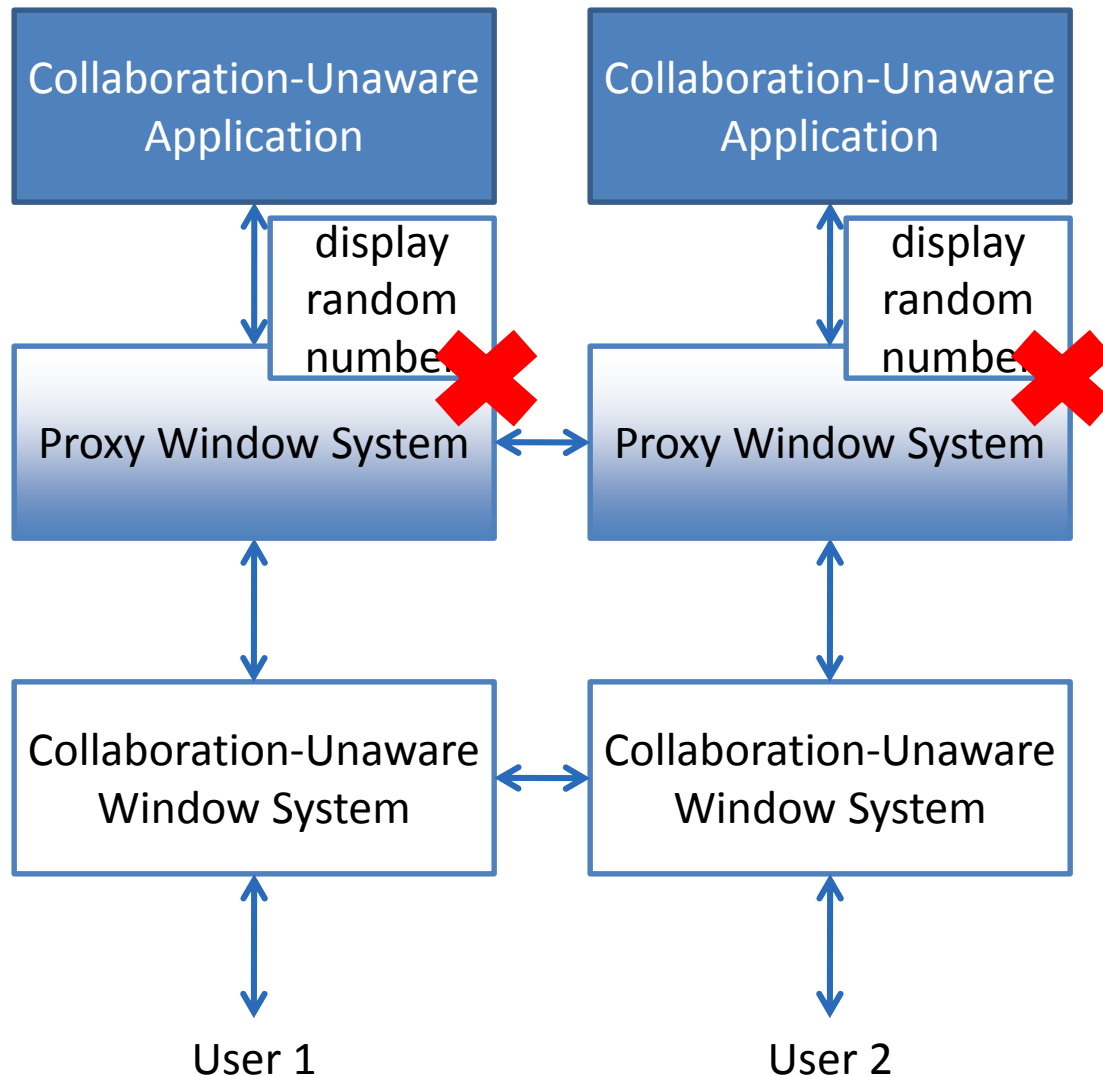
REPLICATED MODEL: ISSUES



Consistency issues of causality and concurrent operations (to be addressed later)

Correctness and performance issues when model is non deterministic, accesses central resources, and has side effects

EXAMPLE OF NON DETERMINISM AND OTHER REPLICATION PROBLEMS (REVIEW)



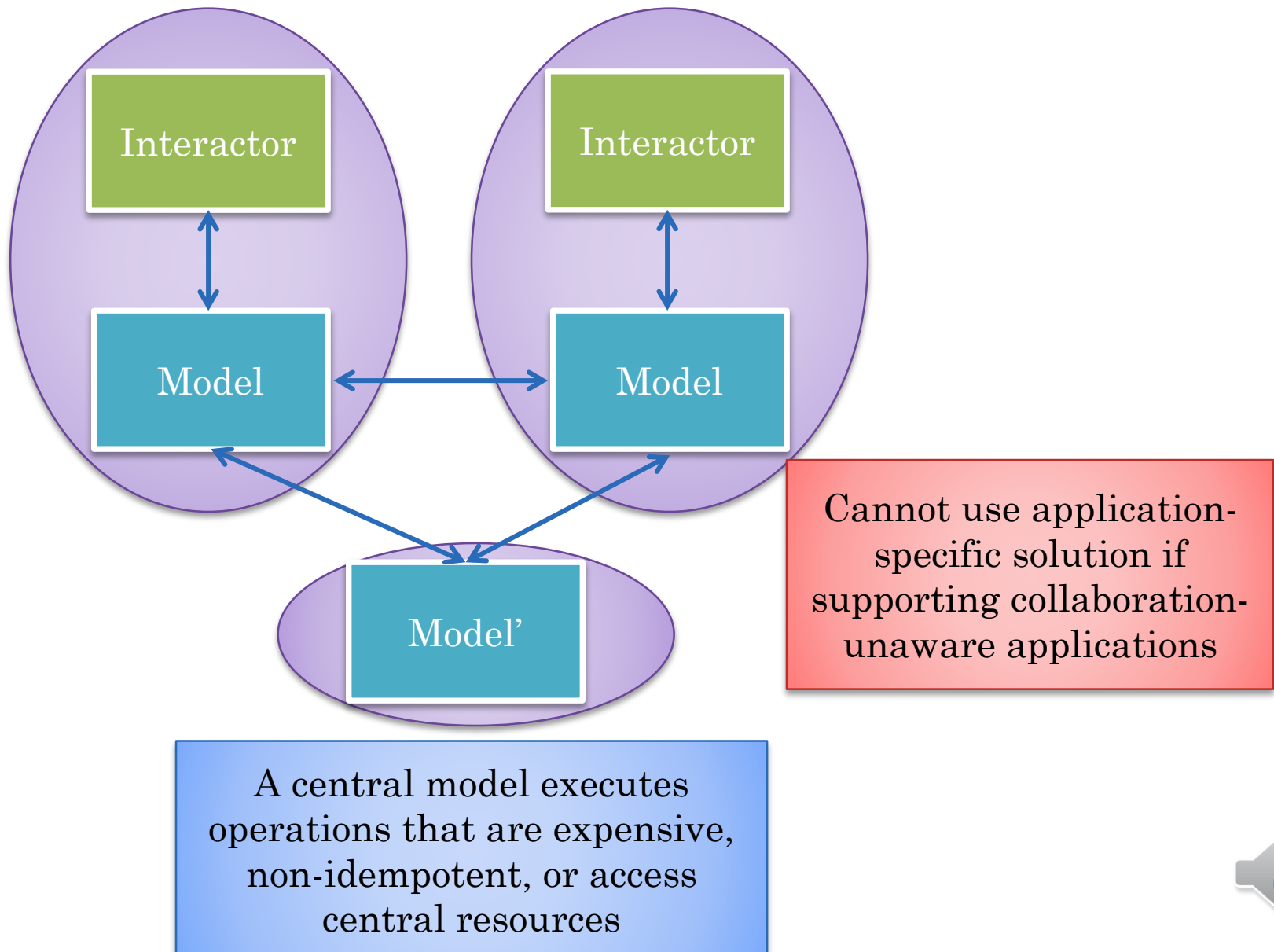
Different users will see different output

Behavior of centralized and replicated different

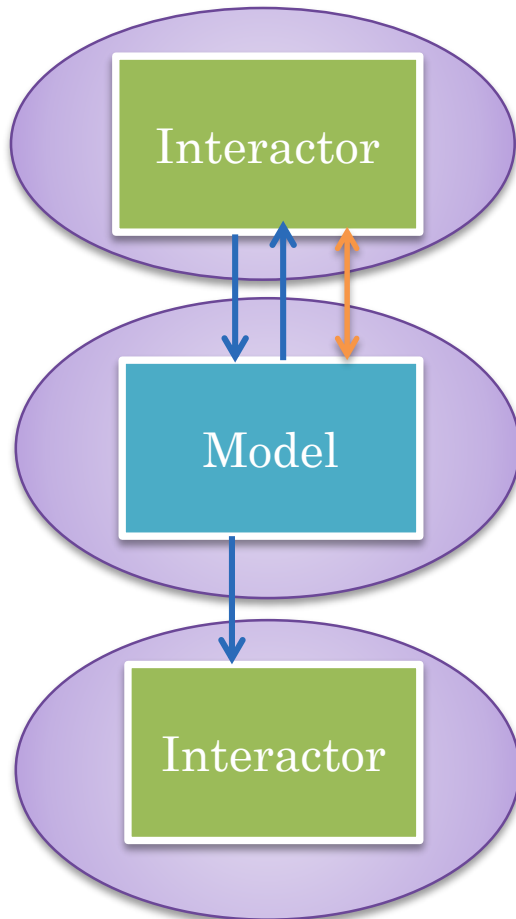
Assumption:
Output should be only a function of input

Non determinism!

DISTINGUISHED “REPLICA” MODEL SOLUTION



CENTRALIZED VS. REPLICATED MODEL



None of the replication issues

Feedback times involve round trip delays

Feed through incurs extra hop (beyond relaying)

Refresh and query operations also involve round trip delays (e.g. searching history)

Can we fix the last problem?

Cannot use caching of high-level state, no local non window state

Refresh, scrolling involves round trips



SHARED WINDOW SYSTEMS

Problems of centralization and replication get aggravated

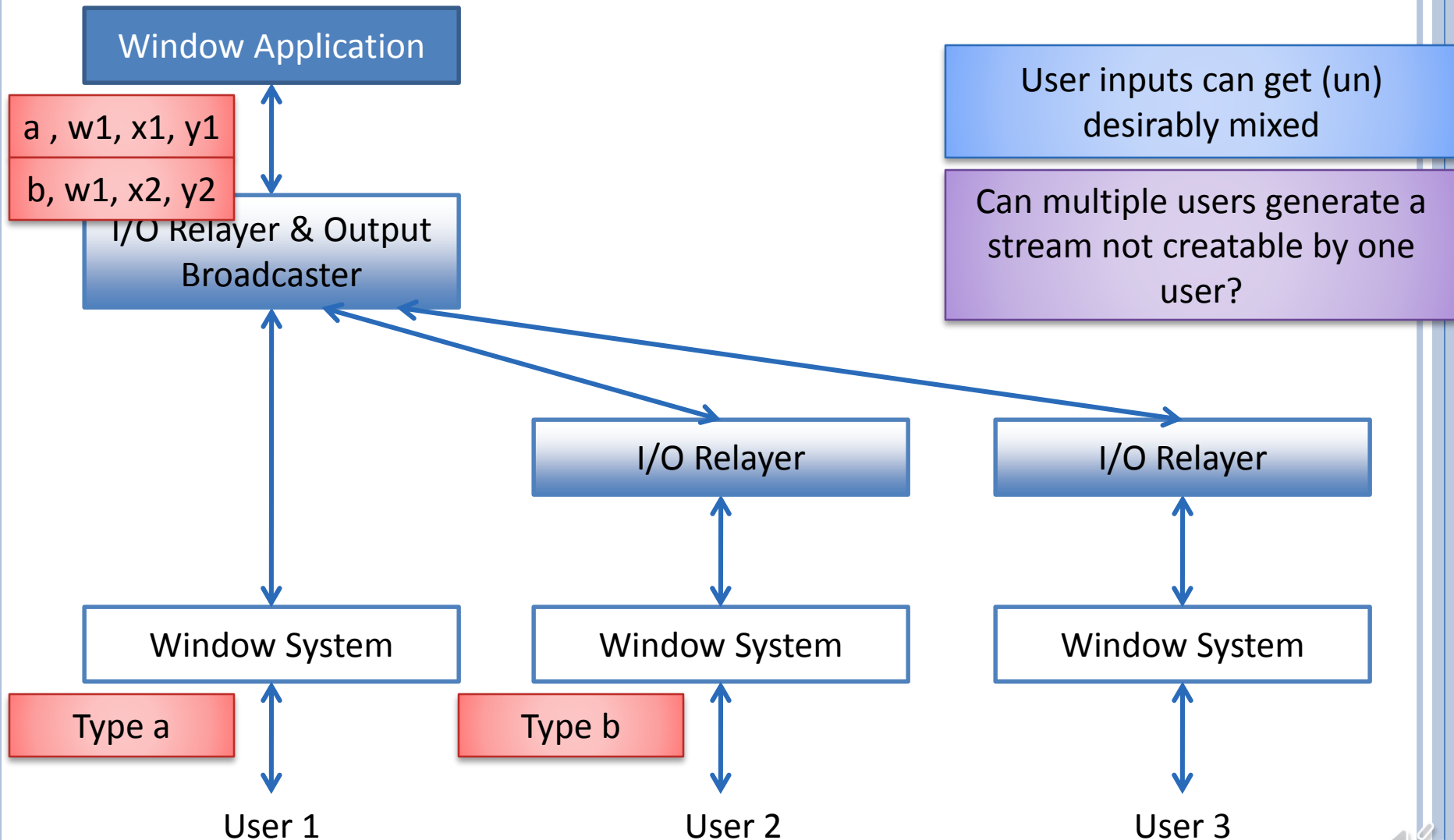
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In central systems, round trip for readable model state

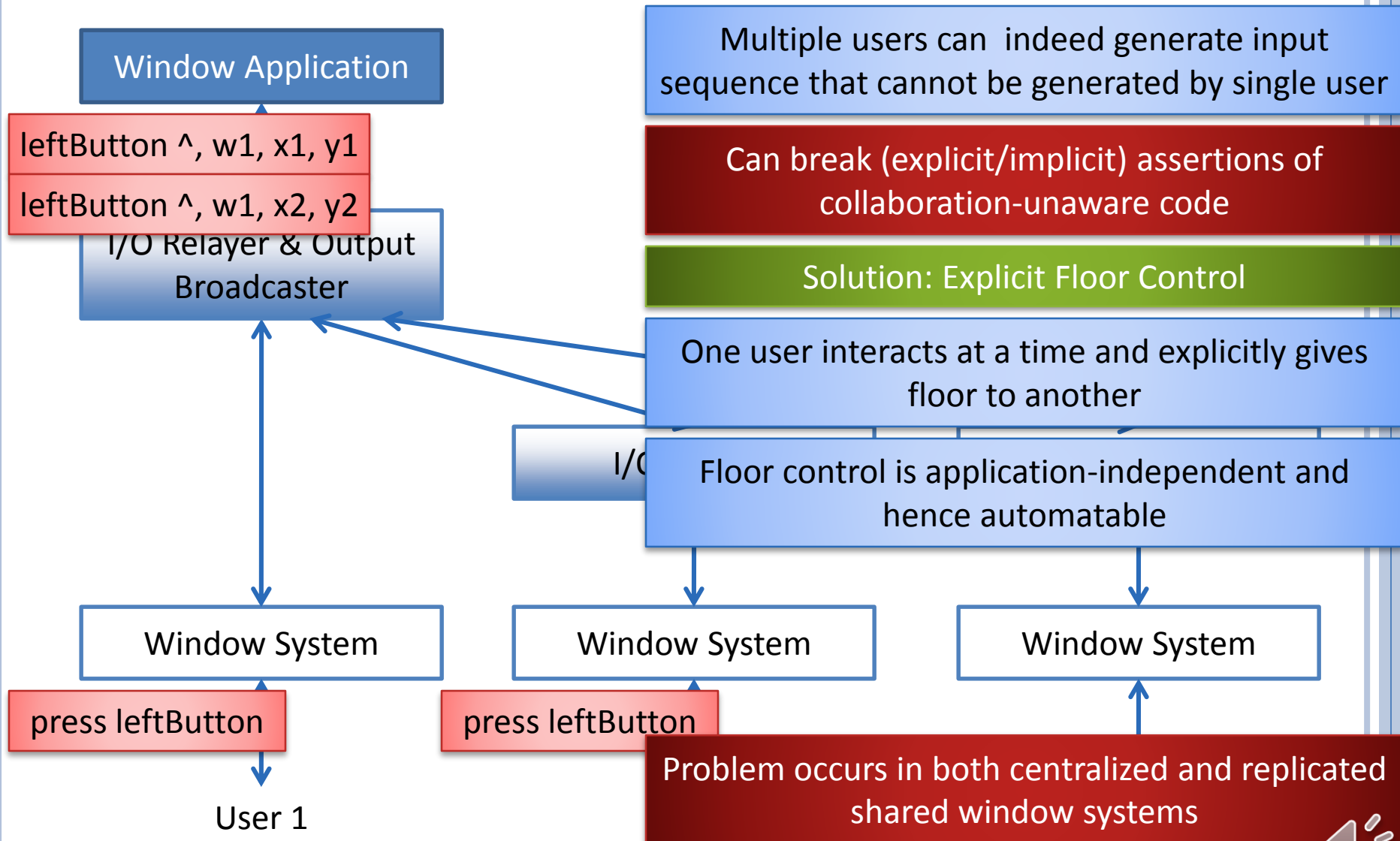
Plus other problems



CONCURRENT/INTERLEAVED INTERACTION



EXPLICIT FLOOR CONTROL



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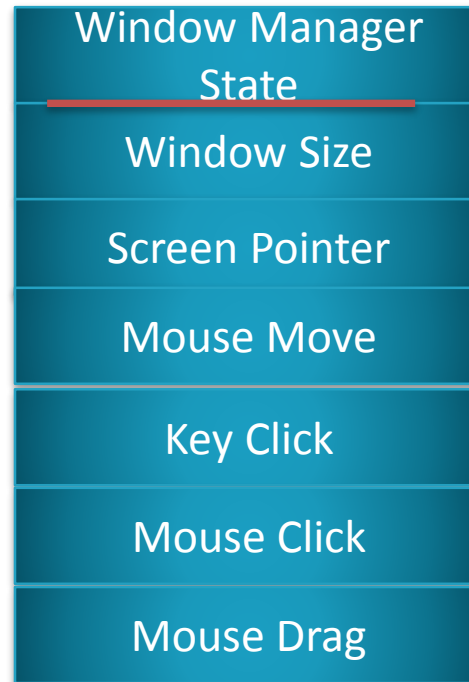
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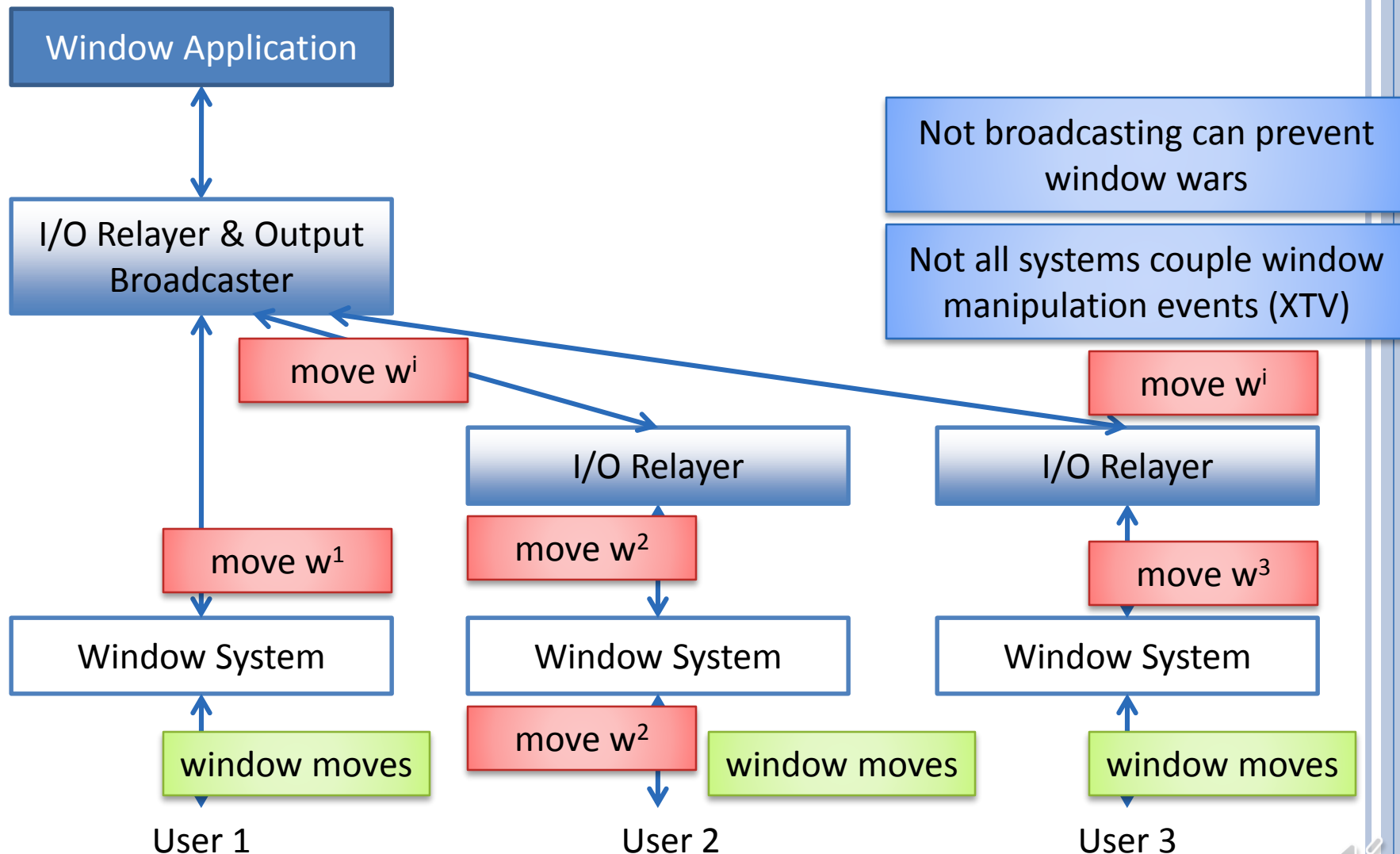
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PROBLEM WITH RELAXED WYSIWIS IN CENTRALIZED SYSTEMS

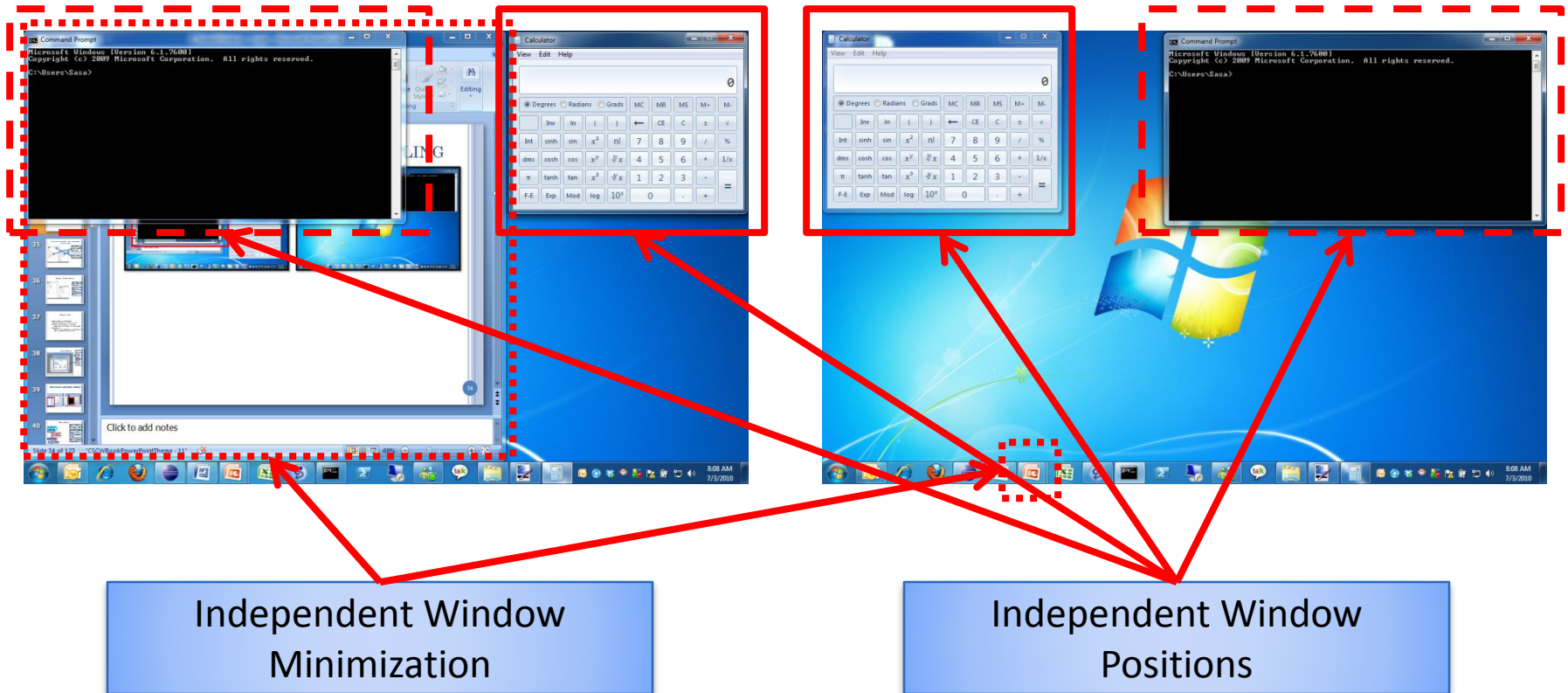


SHARING WINDOW MANAGER STATE

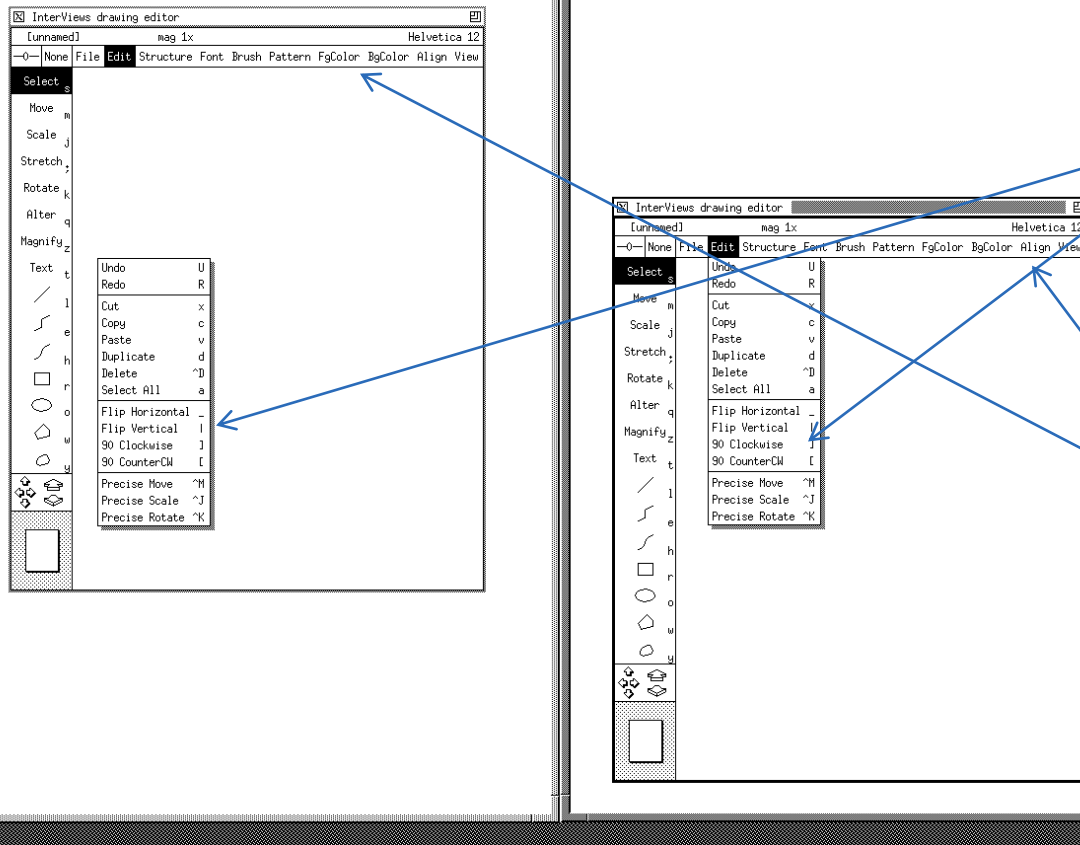


RELAXED WYSIWIS COUPLING

Implemented in XTV



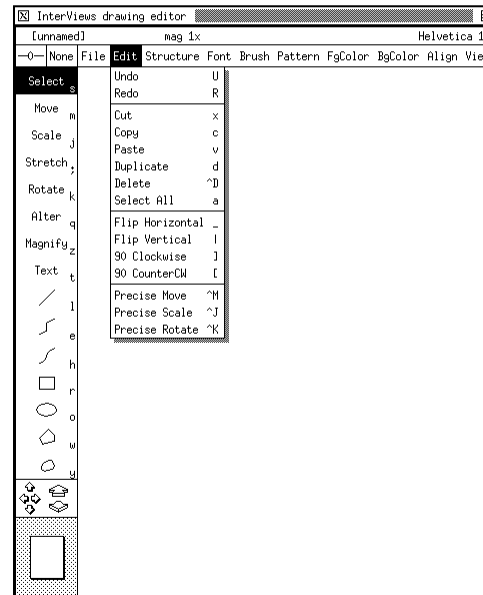
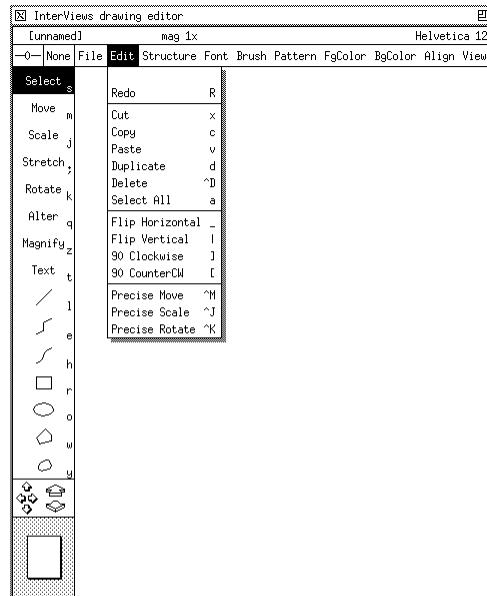
POP-UP MENUS PROBLEM WITH UNCOUPLED WINDOW STATE



Pop-up menus are top-level windows drawn at absolute positions by application.

Inner windows drawn relative to containing window.

CORRECT POP-UP MENUS



Proxy keeps track of root window and translates.

More than a proxy – understands underlying window system.

Not uncommon in proxies.

SEMANTIC ISSUE

- Should window state be coupled?
- Coupled → window wars (Stefik et al '85)
- Uncoupled → no referential transparency
 - Cannot refer to the “upper left” shared window
 - Problems in centralized systems
- Compromise for centralized system
 - Create a virtual desktop on a slave computer for physical desktop of the master user

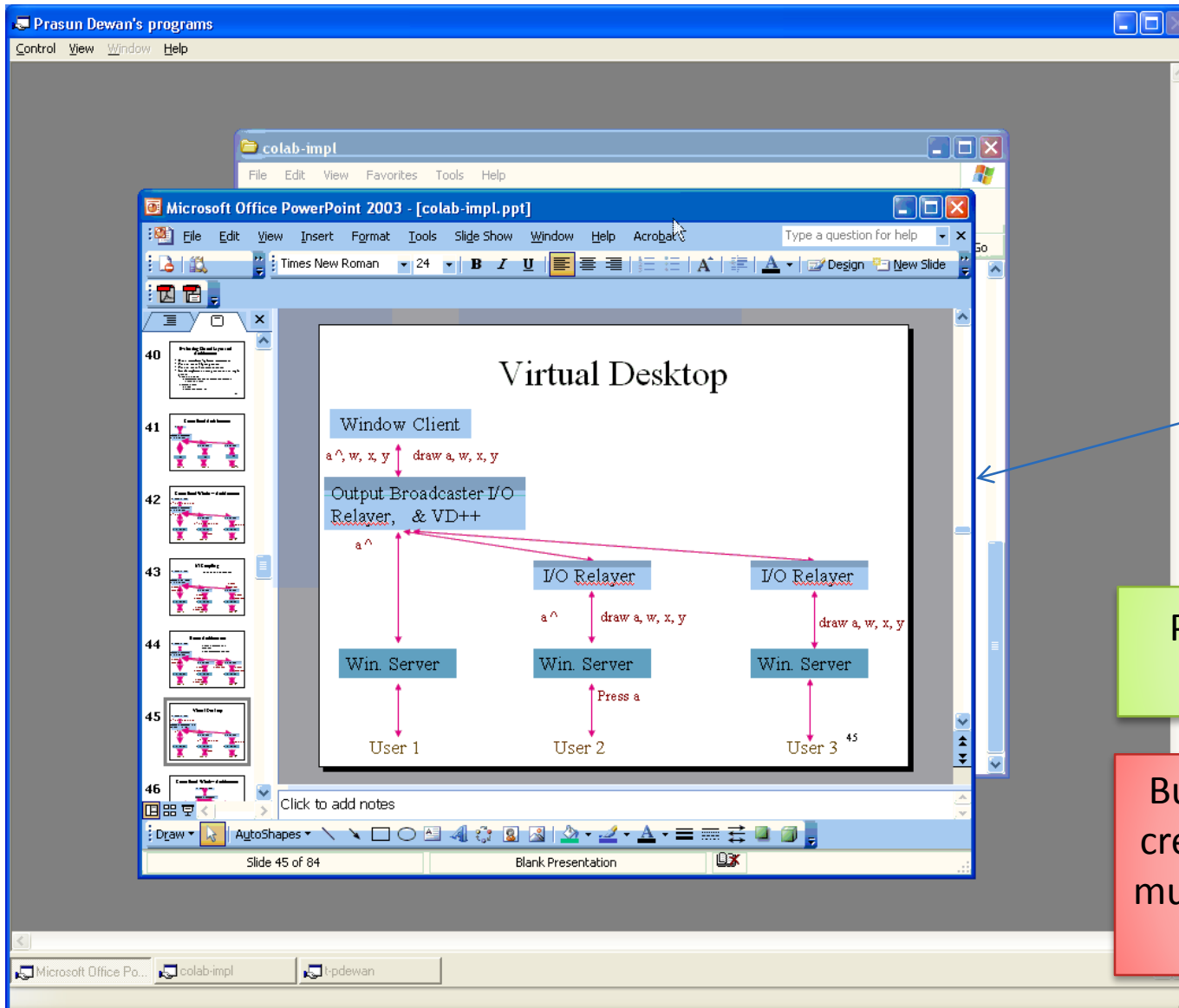
VIRTUAL DESKTOP

Privately
scrollable ,
movable
window
representing
master screen

Nested, shared
, WYSIWIS
master
window

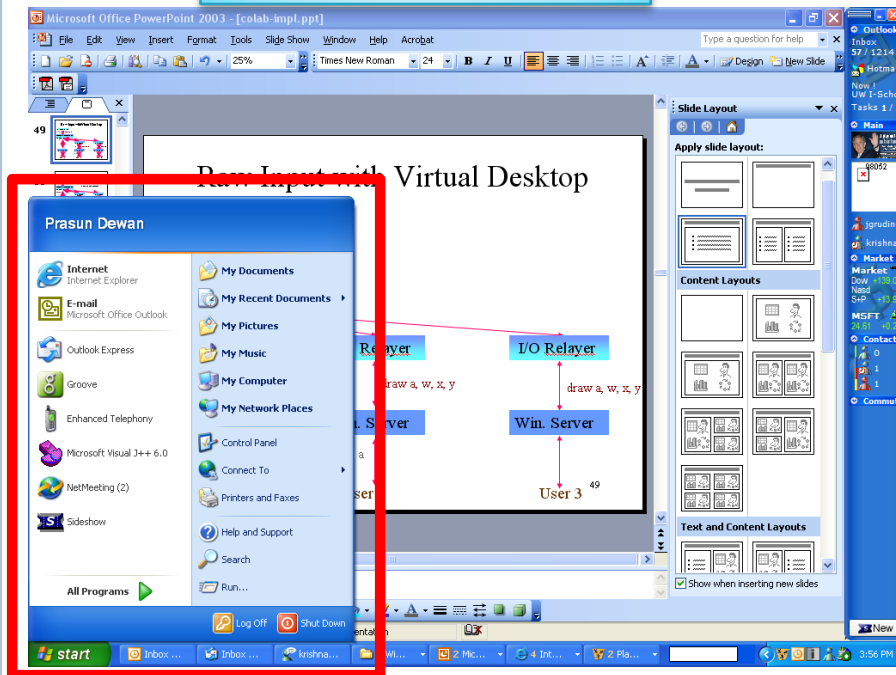
Pop up menus not a
problem

But slave system has to
create a virtual desktop,
much more than a proxy,
a window manager

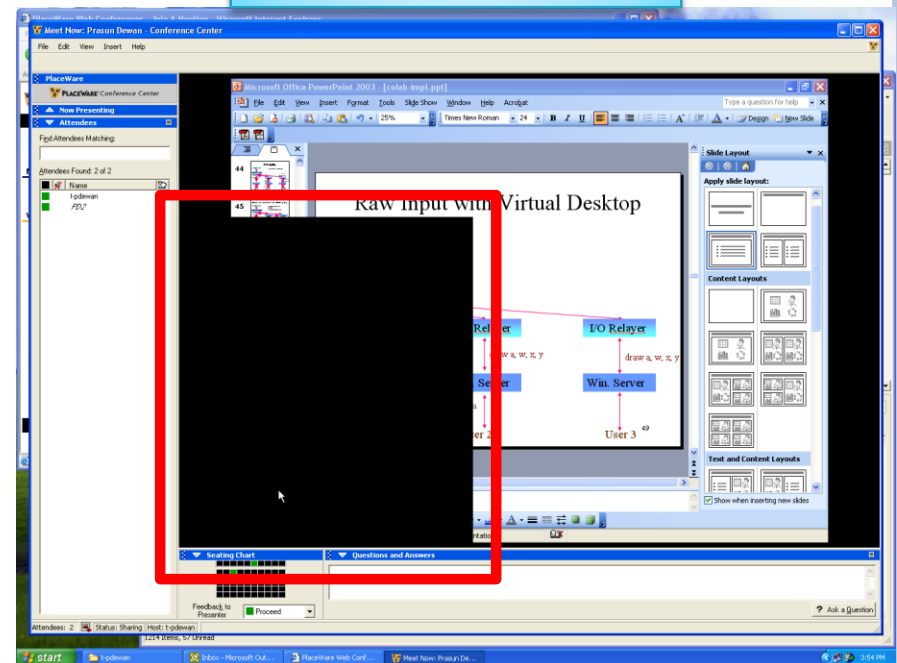


ANOTHER ISSUE: COUPLING OF UNEXPOSED REGIONS?

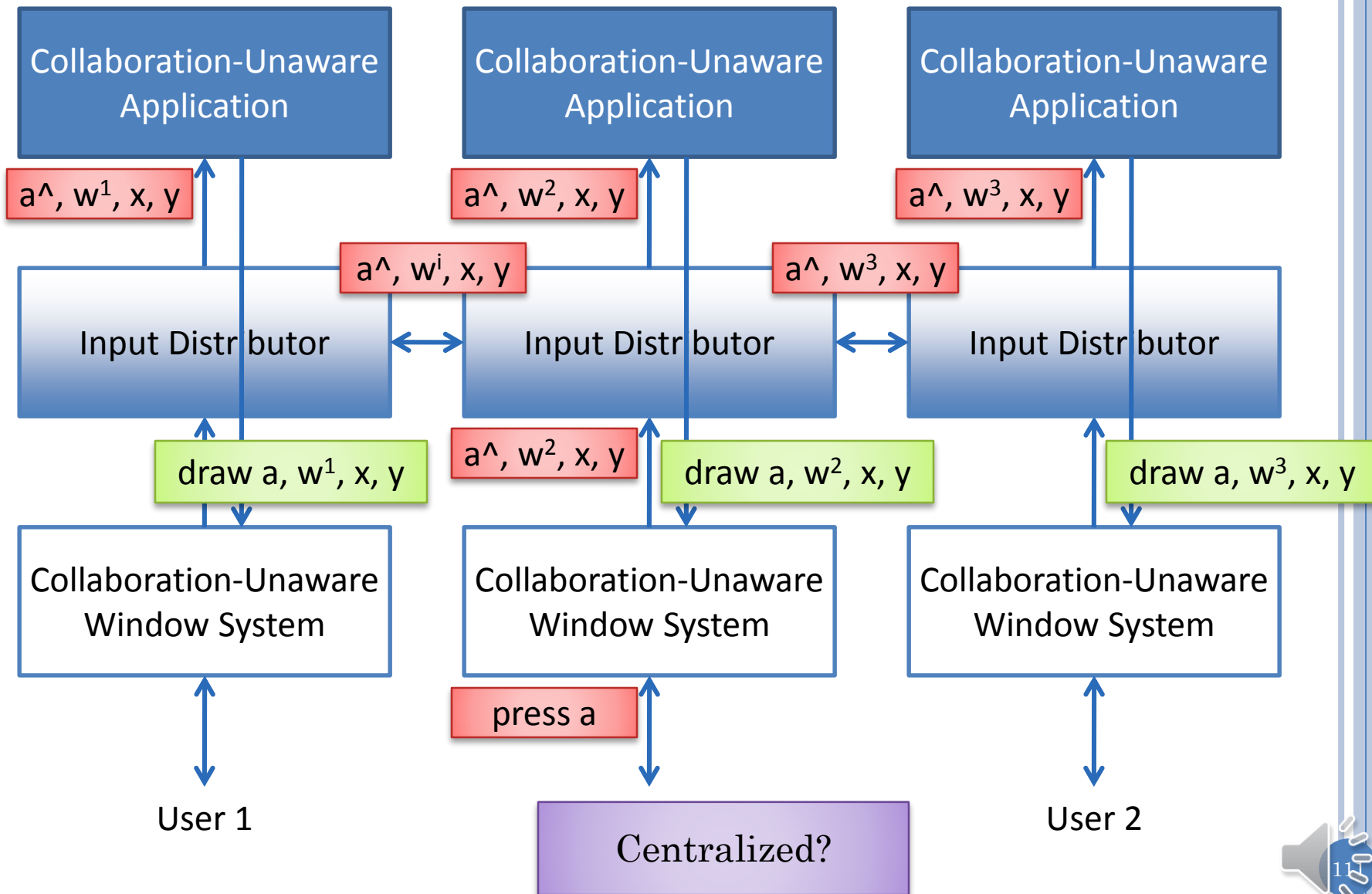
Real desktop



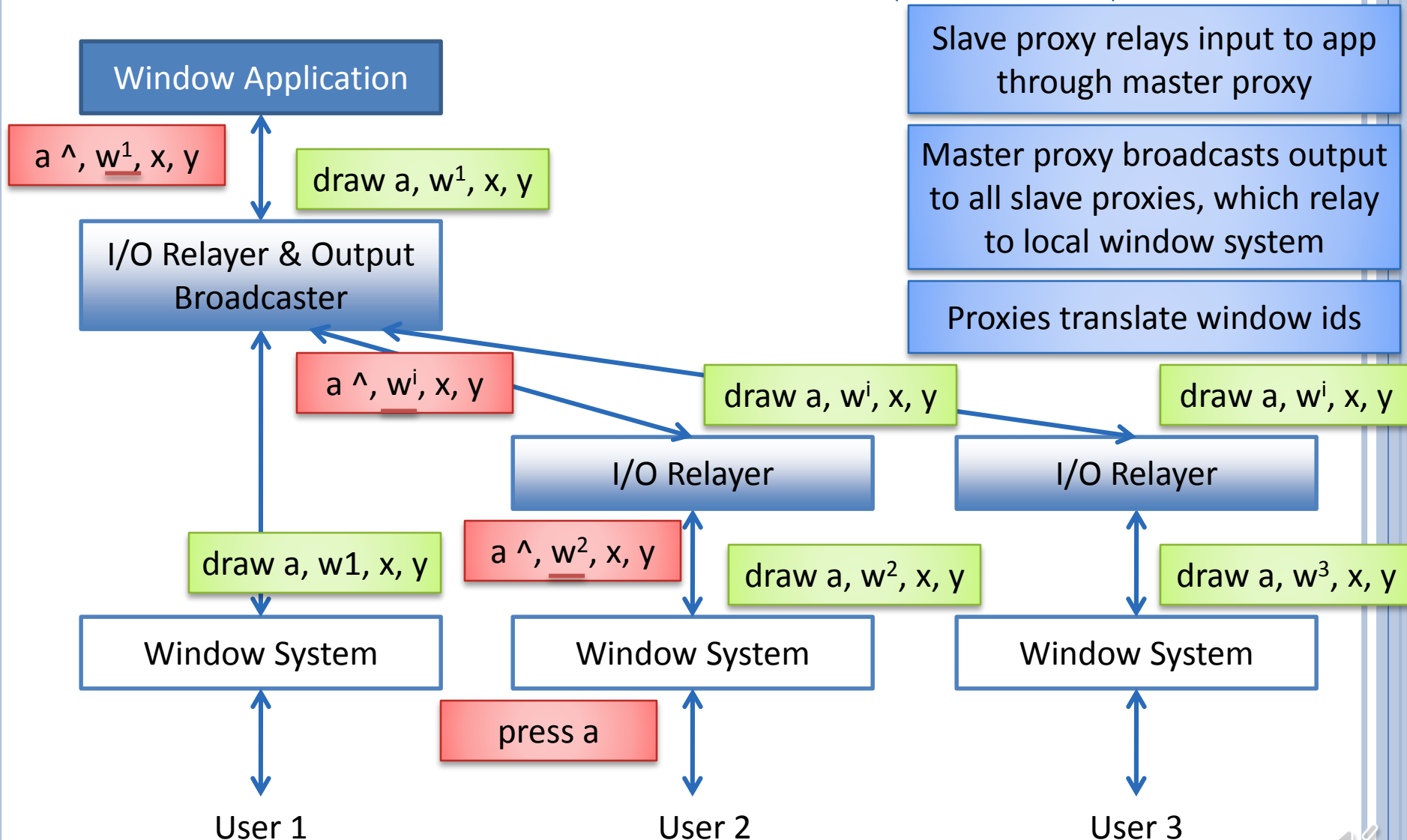
Virtual desktop



REPLICATED SYSTEMS (REVIEW)



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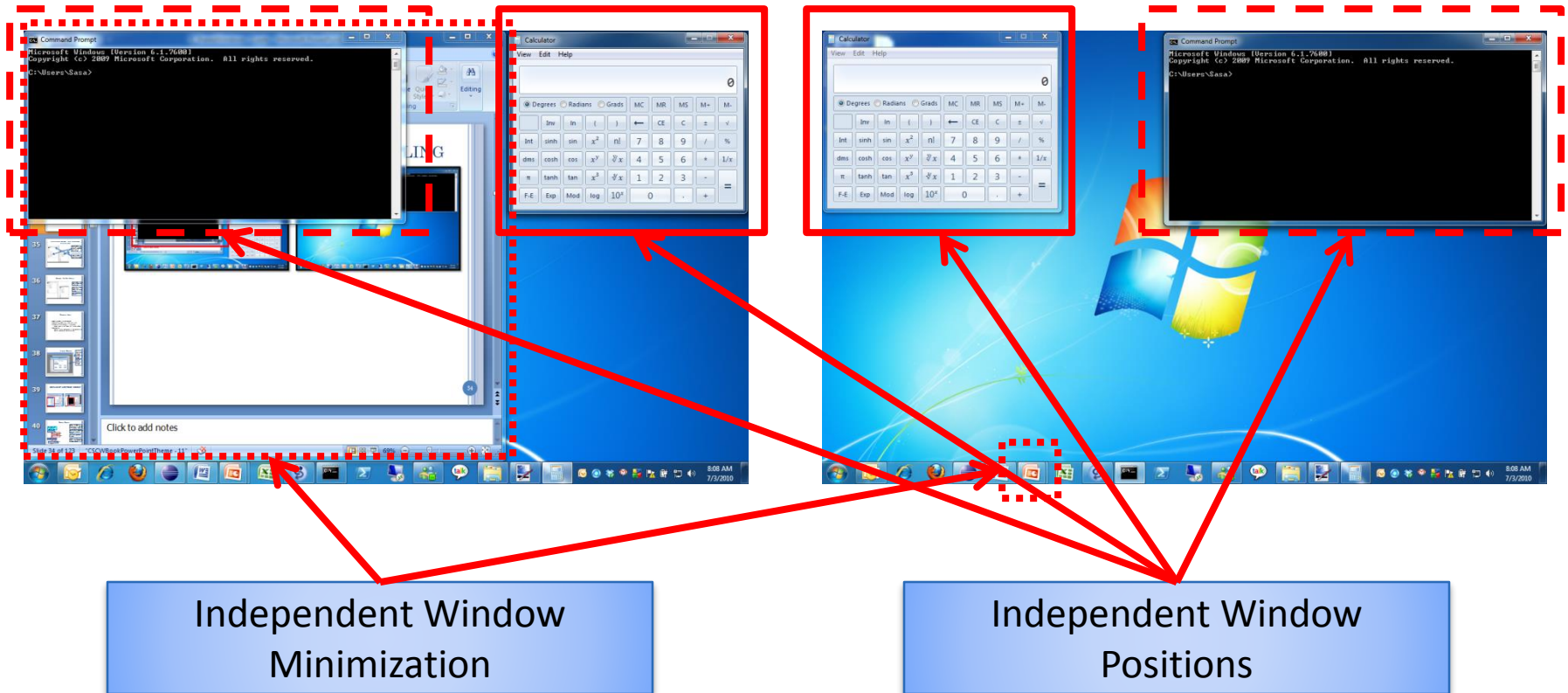
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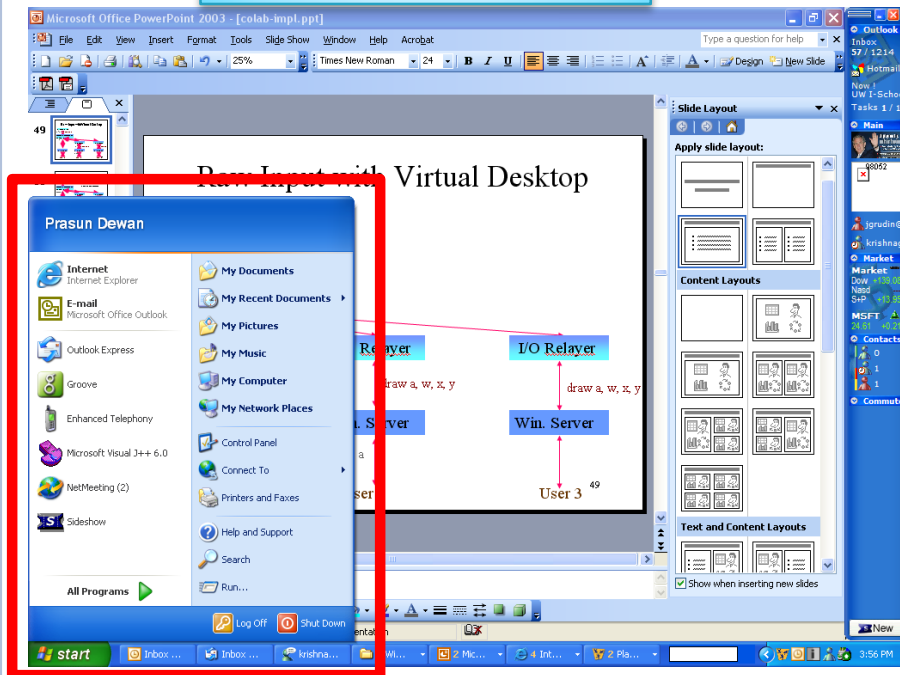
RELAXED WYSIWIS COUPLING (FIRST-CLASS REMOTE WINDOWS))

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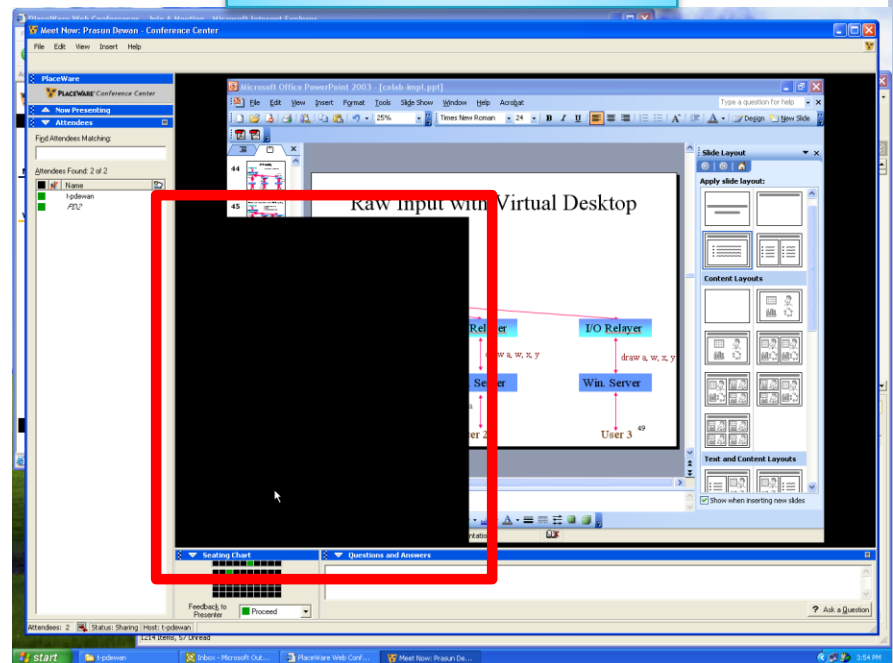


VIRTUAL DESKTOP

Real desktop



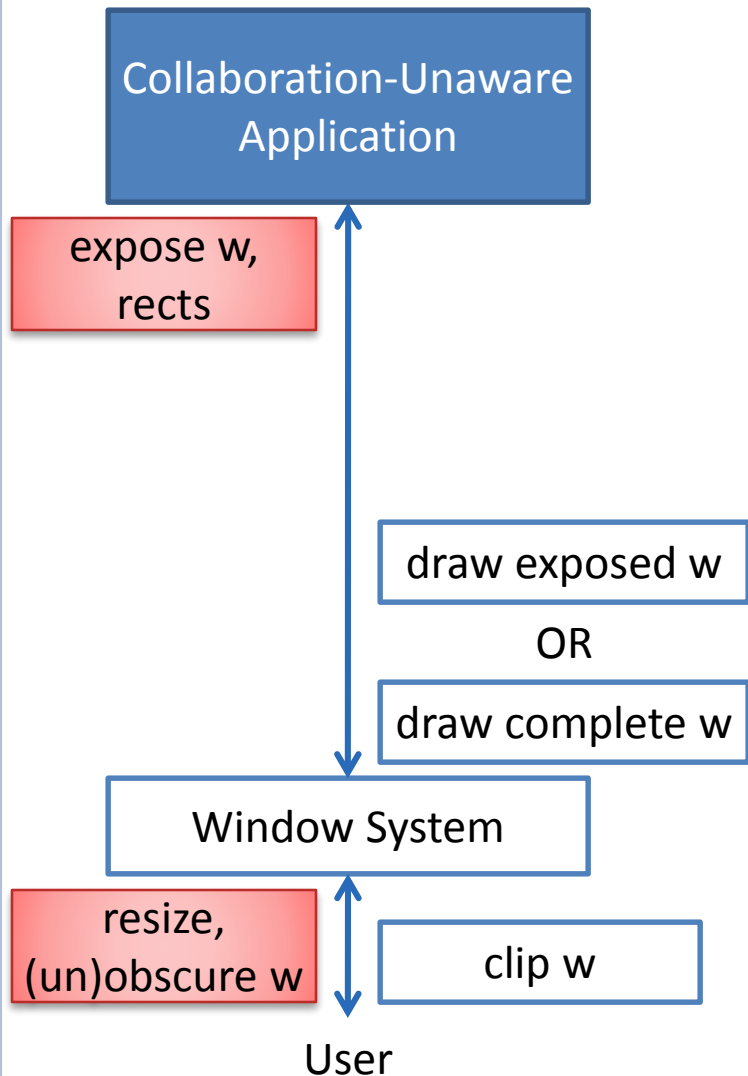
Virtual desktop



Corresponding windows in first-class remote windows and virtual desktops may be exposed differently



EXPOSE EVENTS



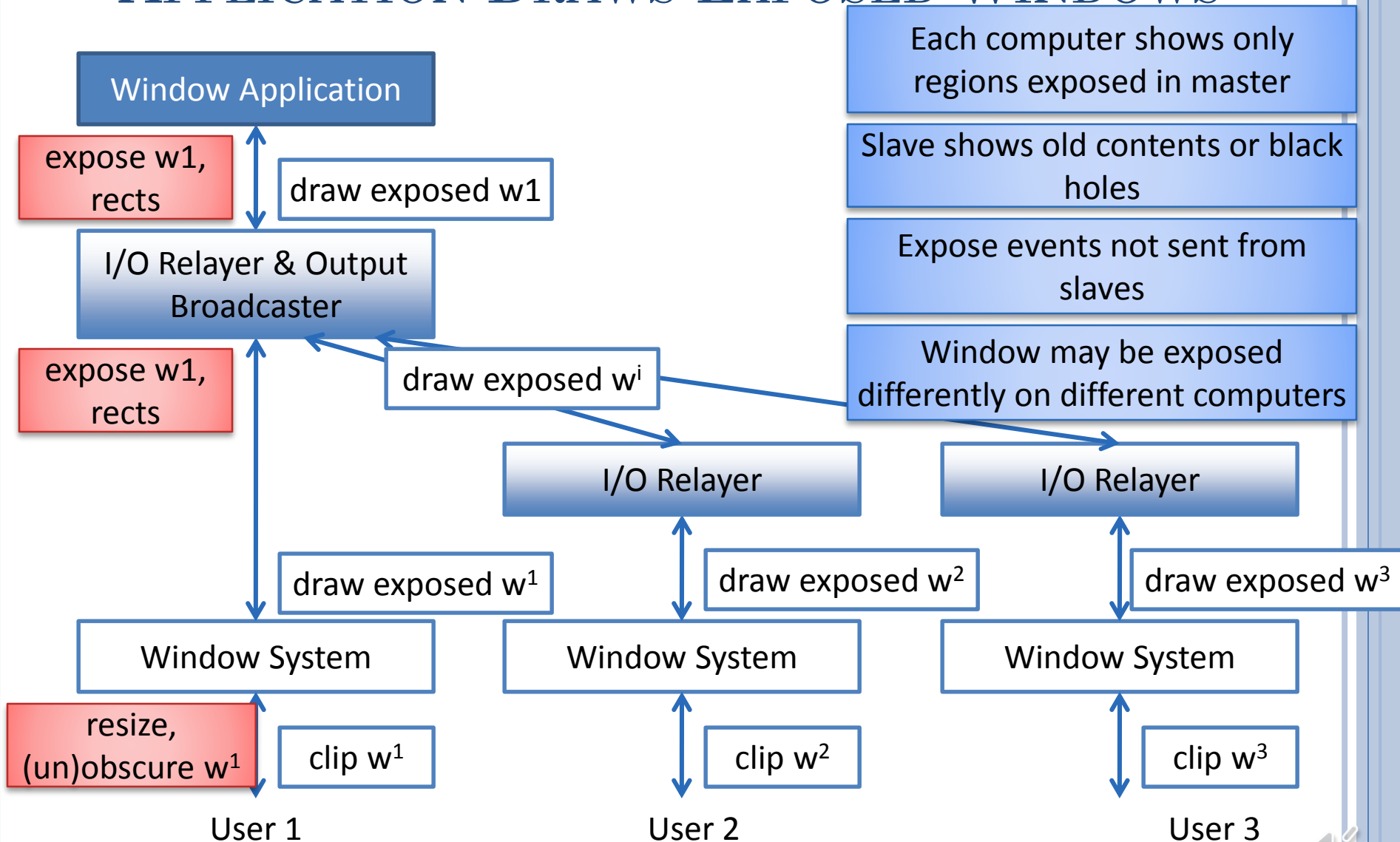
When a window is resized, or (un) obscured expose event is sent to it with exposed regions

Application is expected to draw only exposed regions

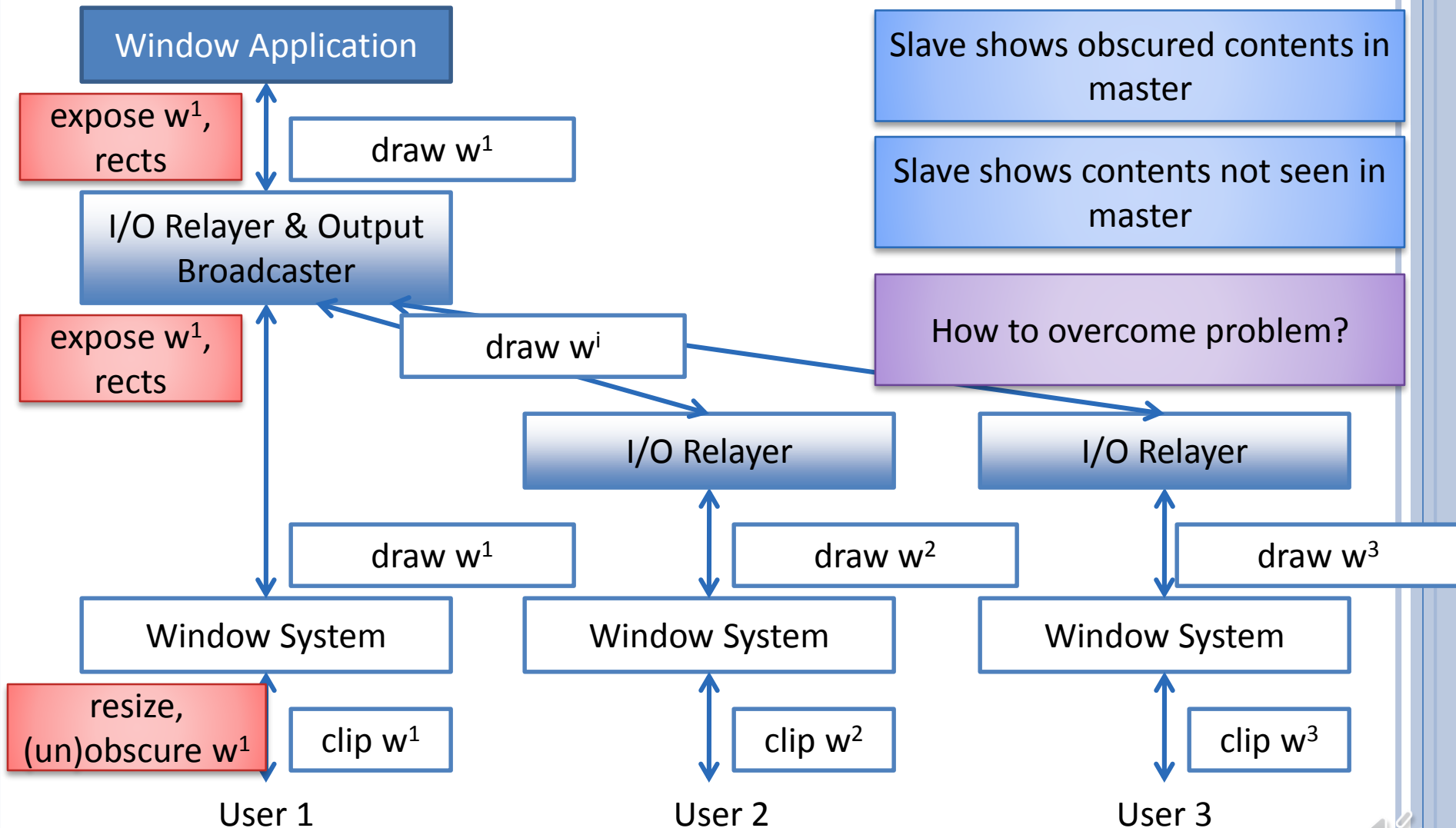
May draw complete window

Window system clips in case it app. drawn outside window bounds

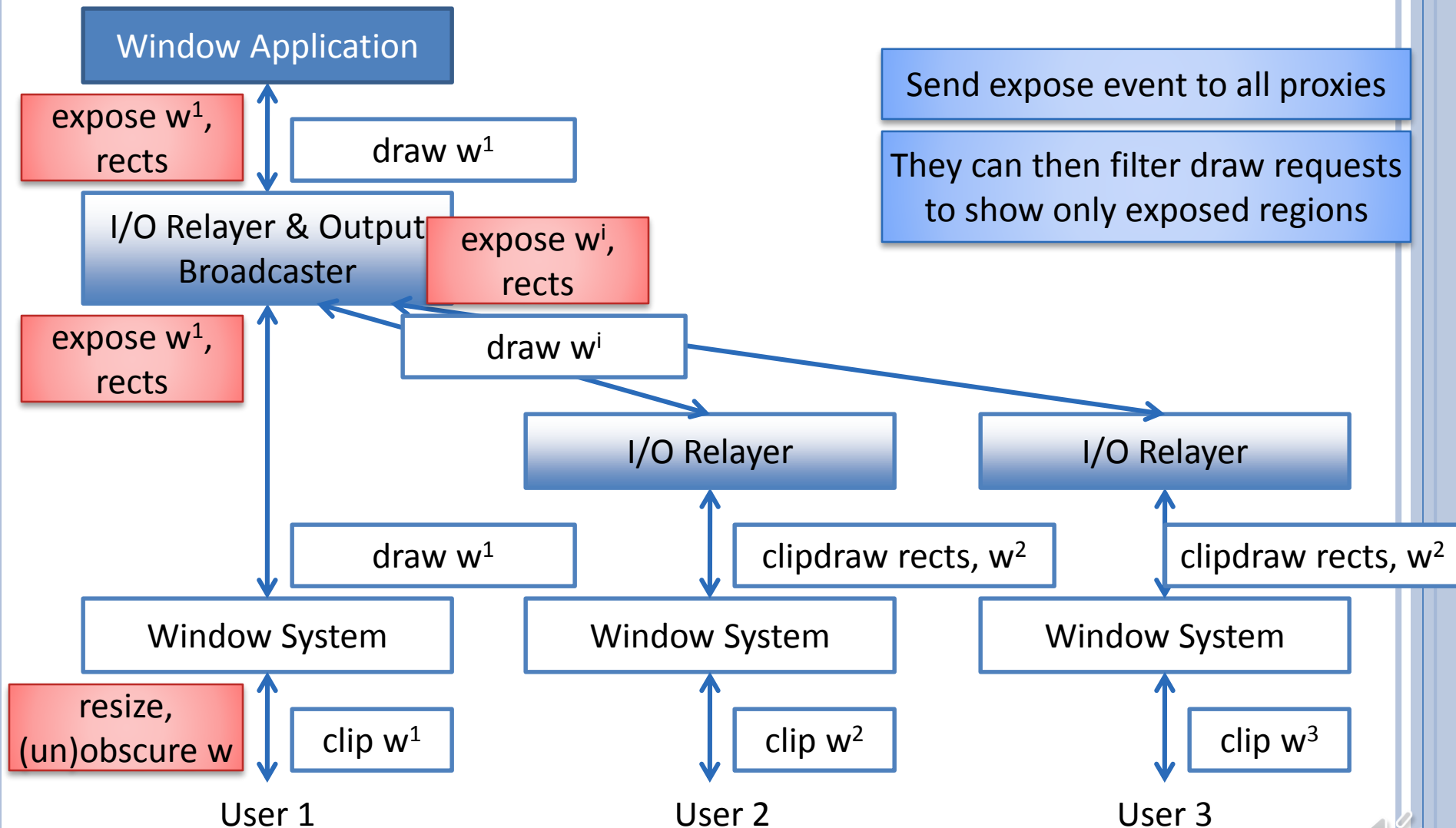
APPLICATION DRAWS EXPOSED WINDOWS



APPLICATION DRAWS COMPLETE WINDOW



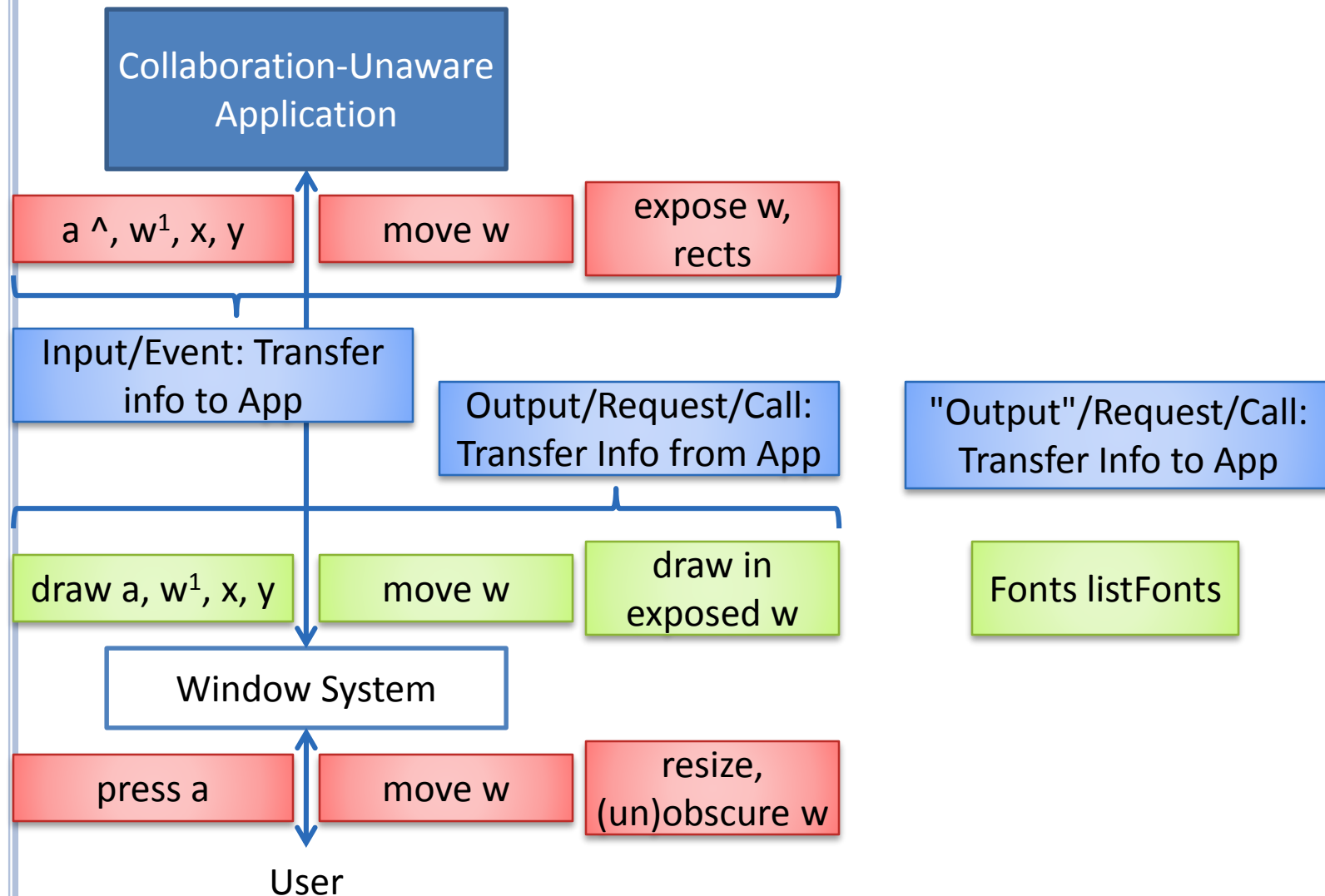
PREVENTING PRIVACY ISSUES: EXPOSE COUPLING



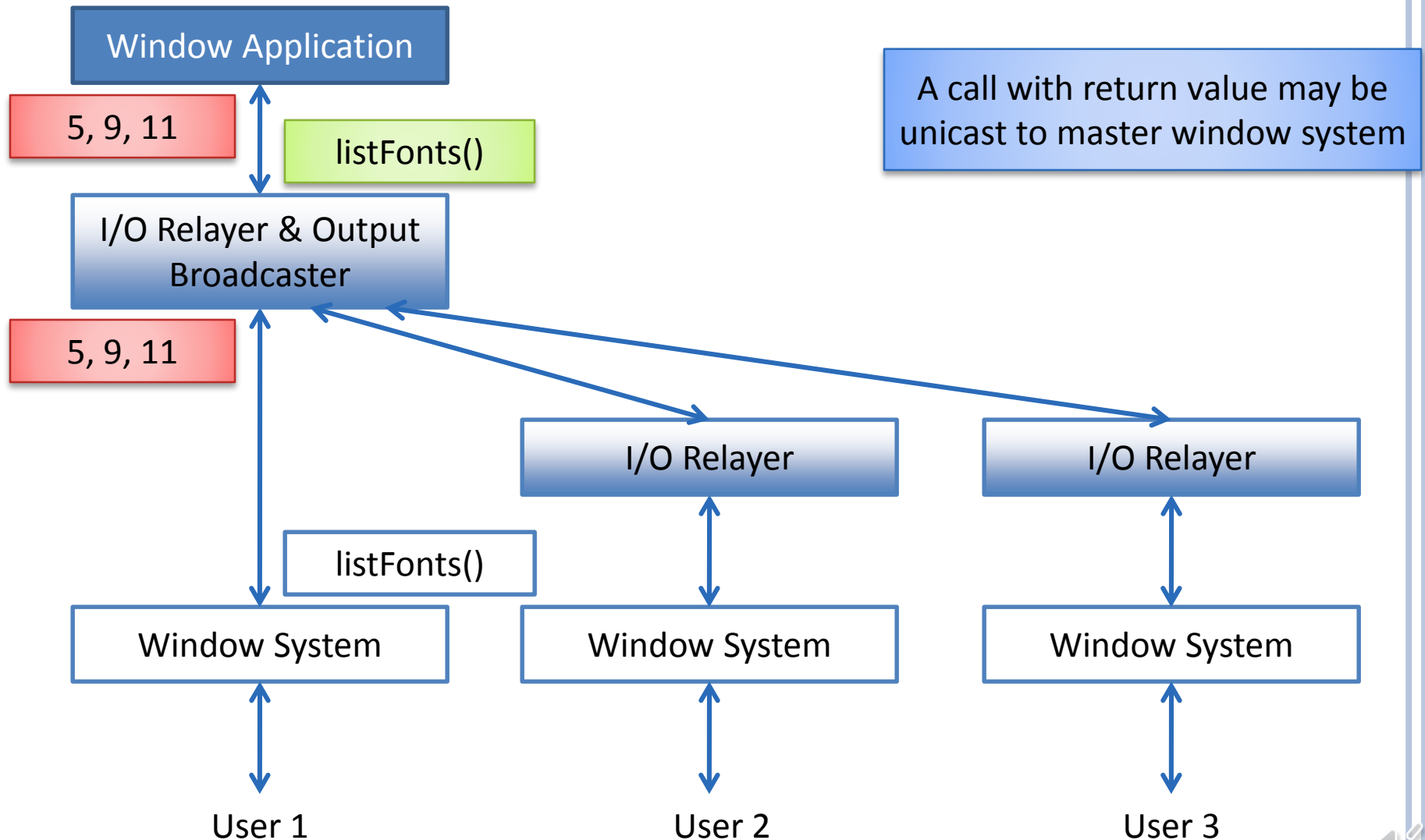
WINDOW-BASED COUPLING

- Mandatory
 - Window sizes
 - Window contents
- Optional
 - Window positions
 - Window stacking order
 - Window exposed regions
- Optional can be done with or without virtual desktop
 - Without virtual desktop, problems of pop up menus
- In both cases, expose events are an issue that proxies must address

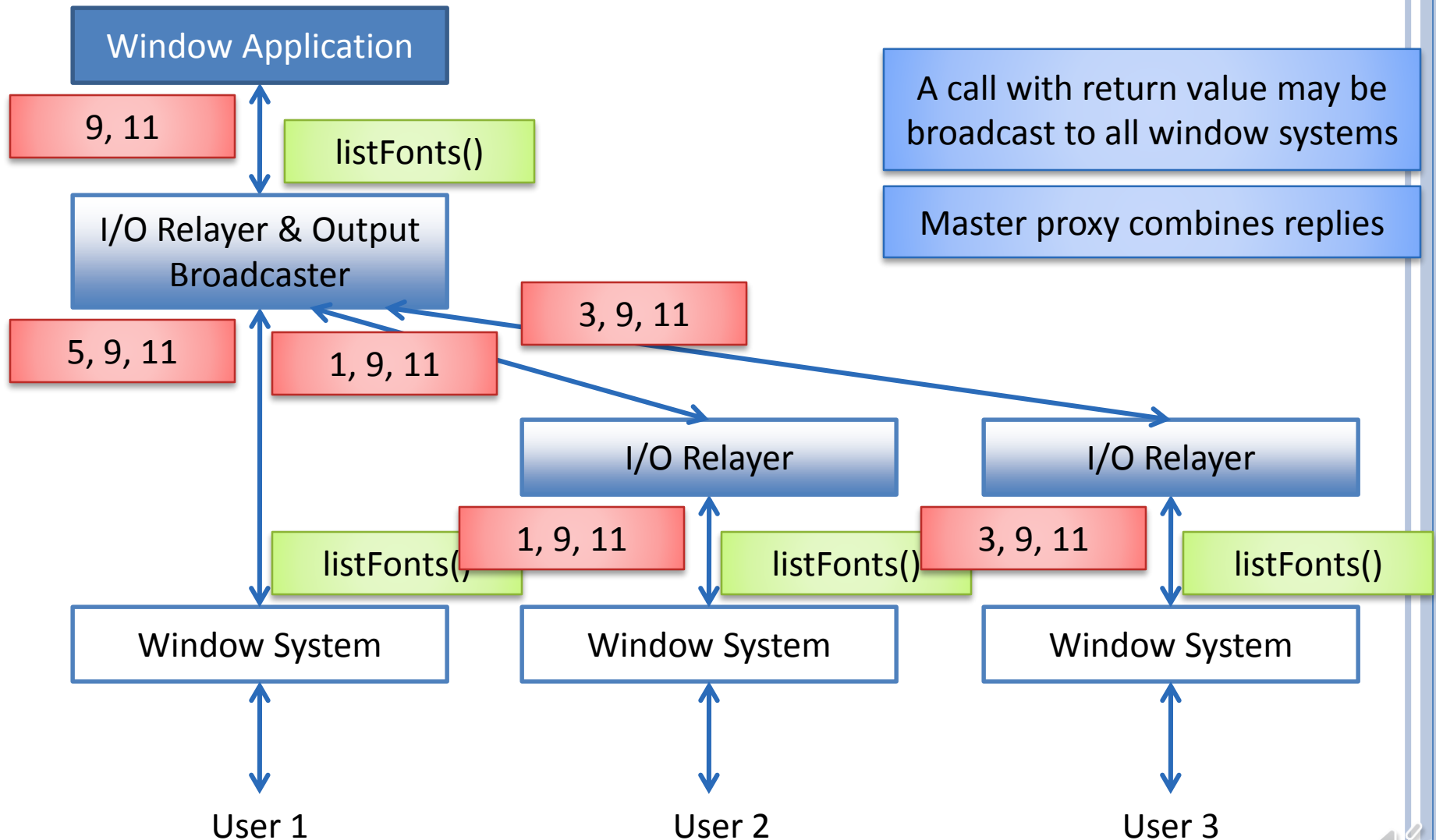
"OUTPUT" CALLS WITH RETURN VALUES



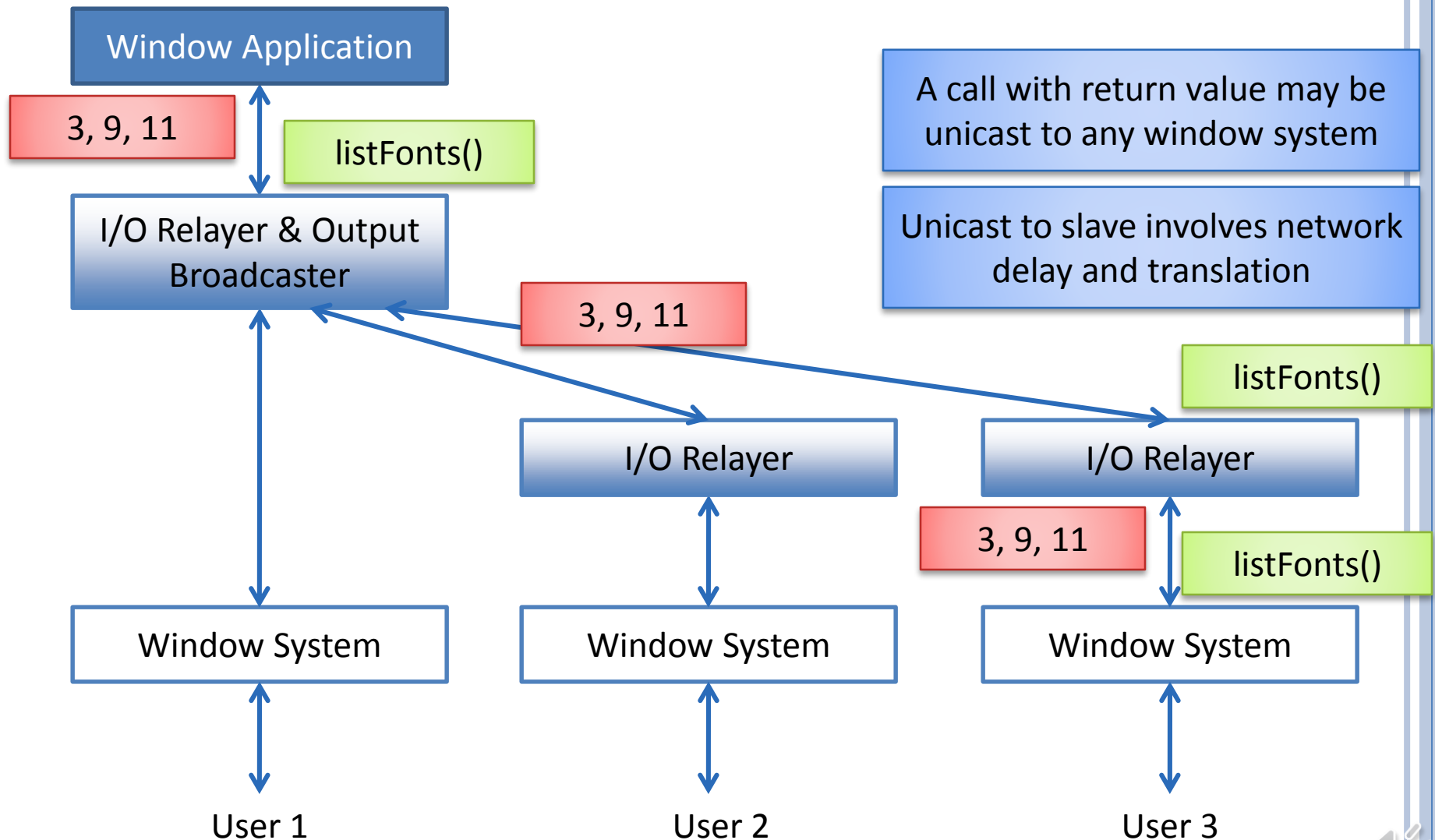
UNICASTING TO MASTER



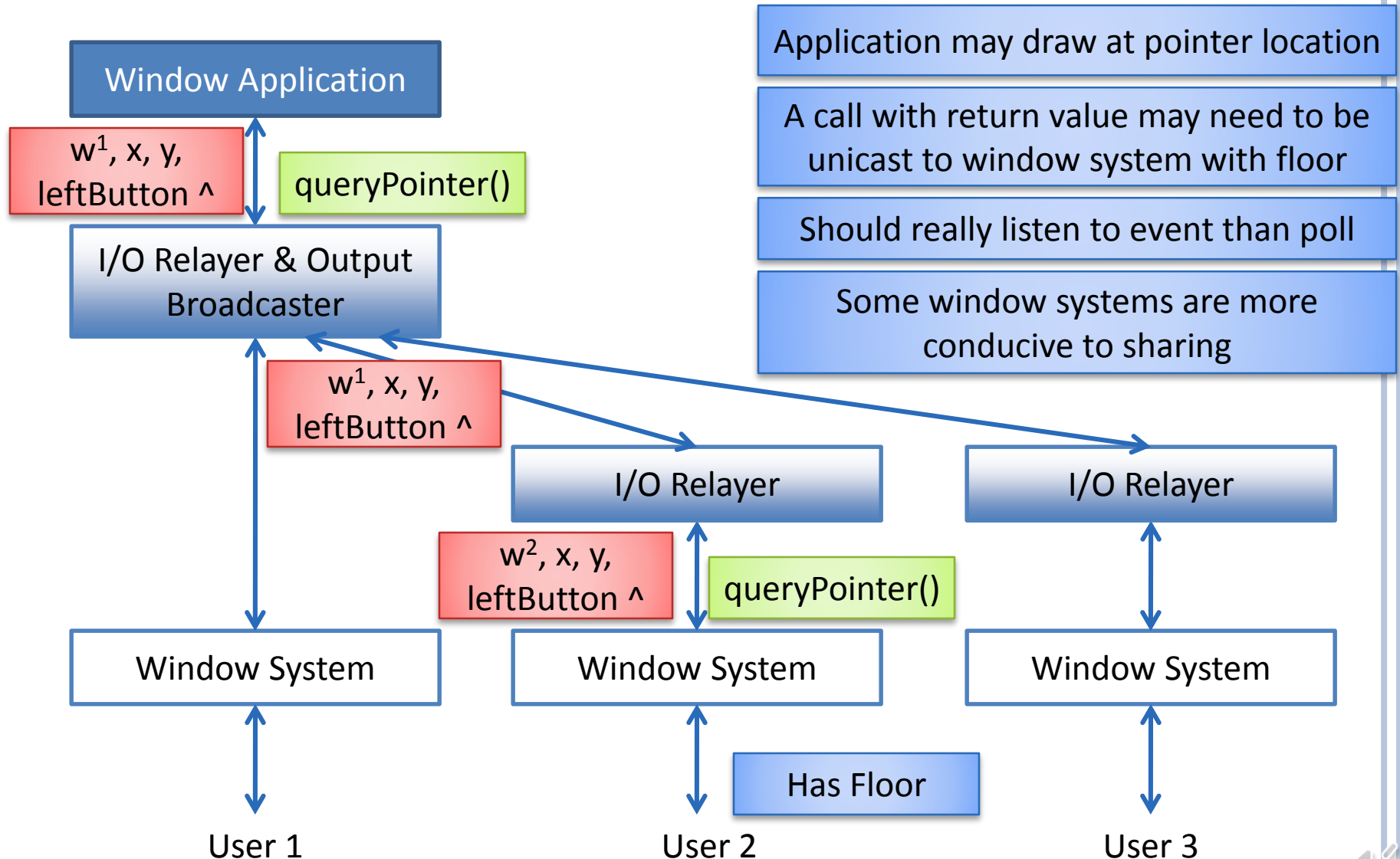
BROADCASTING CALLS WITH RETURN VALUES



UNICAST TO SOME SLAVE



UNICAST TO ACTIVE SLAVE



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In centralized systems with query calls, the target of these calls is an issue

REPLICATED VS. CENTRALIZED INFRASTRUCTURES

Research systems tried both architectures.

VConf (Lantz '86, Stanford)

Rapport (Ahuja '89, Bell Labs)

XTV (Abdel-Wahab '91, UNC/ODU)

MeetingPlace (Cisco)

CollaborateNow (IBM)

Webex

LiveMeeting (Microsoft)

Meeting Space (Vista)

Replicated

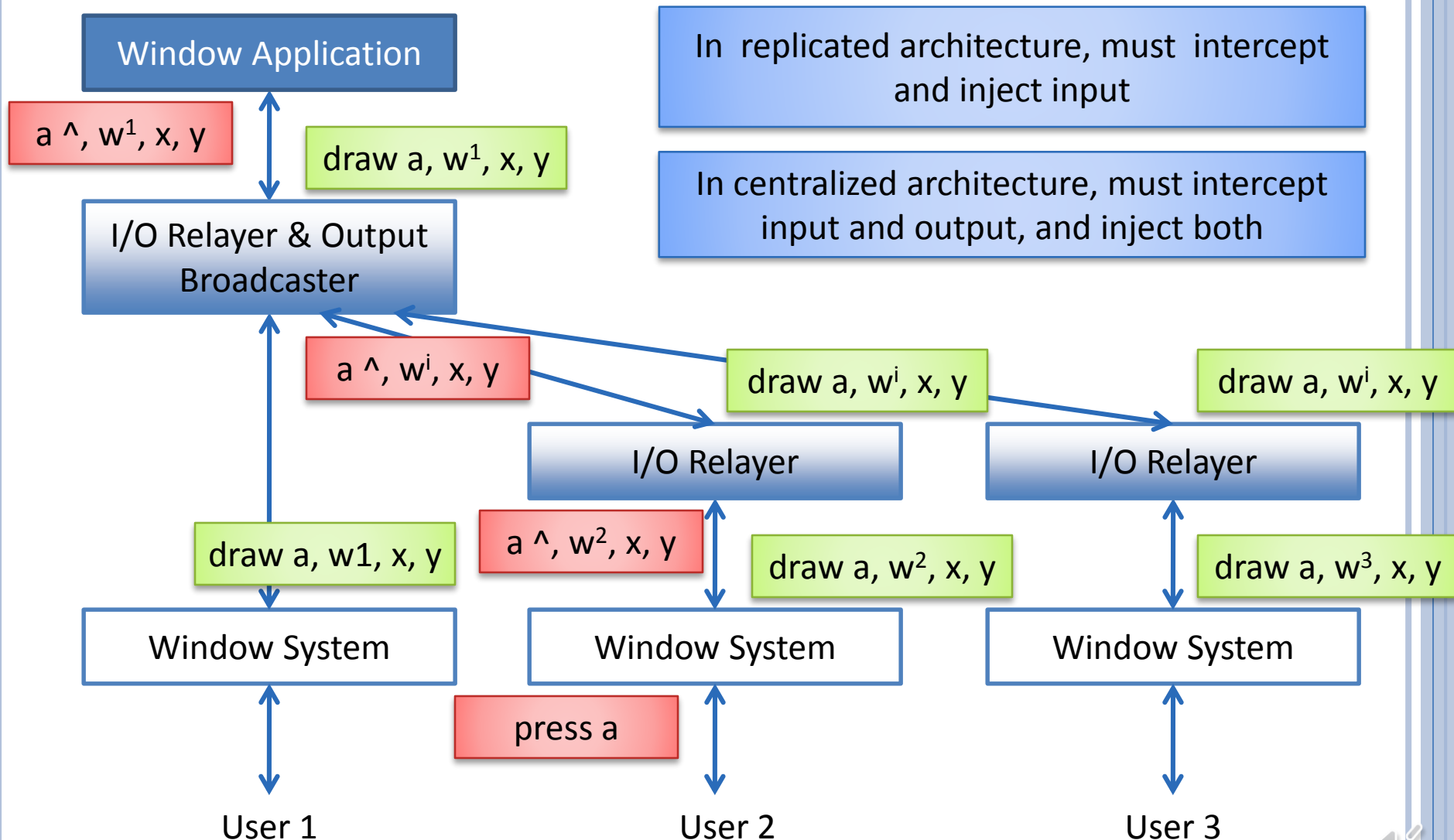
Centralized

Commercial ones implement centralized

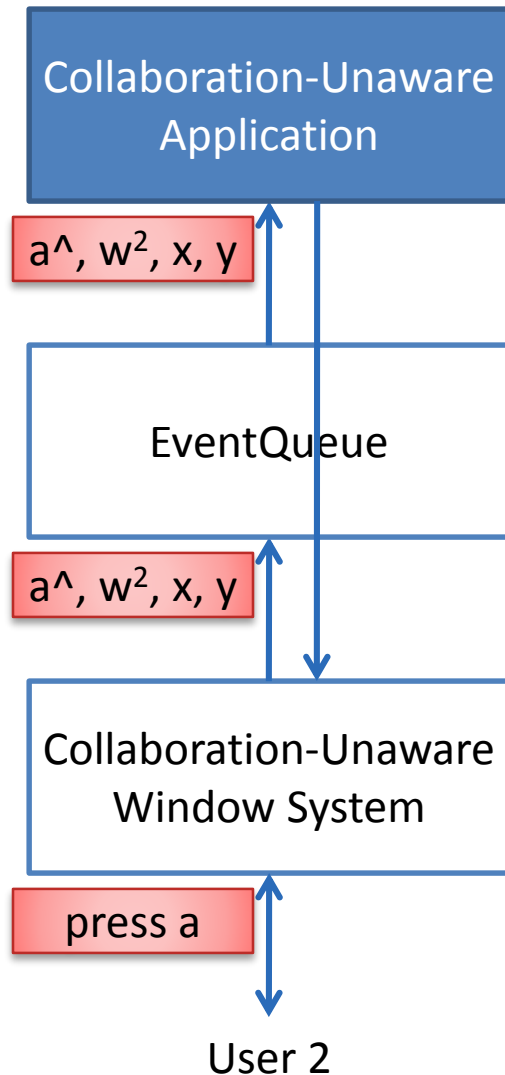
CASE STUDY: JAVA AWT

Why is centralized harder based on what you know about Java?

INTERCEPTION DIFFERENCES



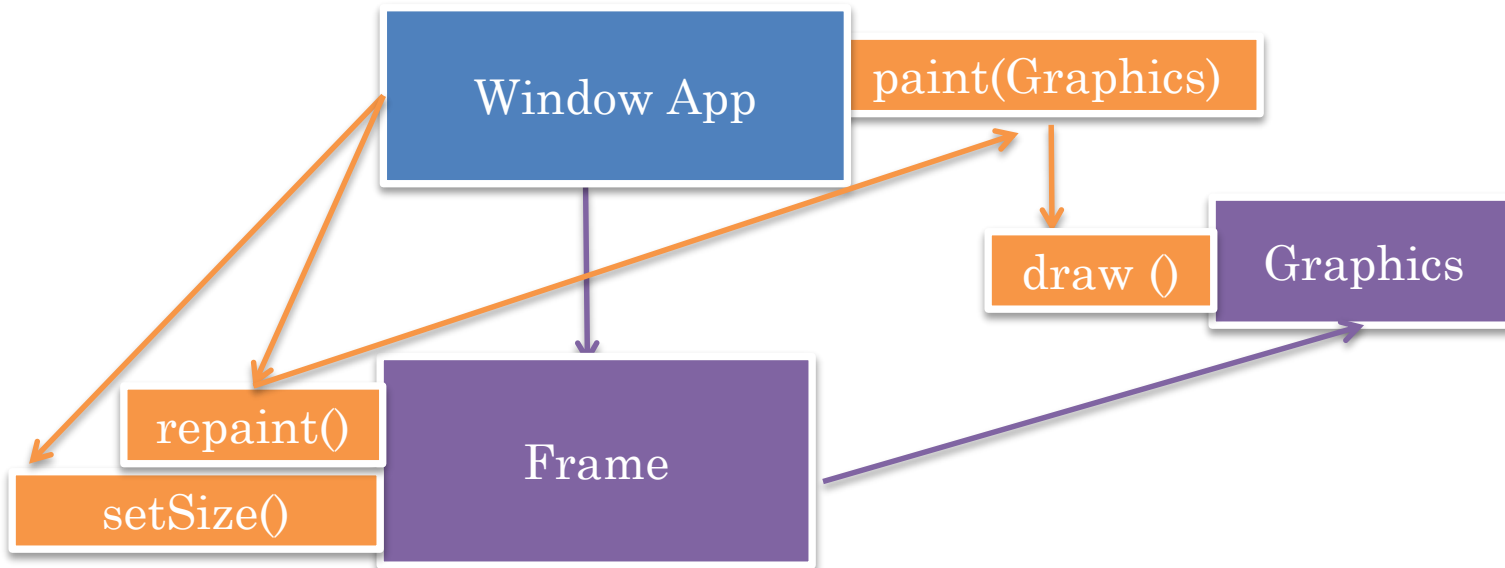
INPUT VS. OUTPUT DIFFERENCES



All input defined by a single event type

Funneled through a single replaceable object

HOW TO INTERCEPT OUTPUT CALLS?



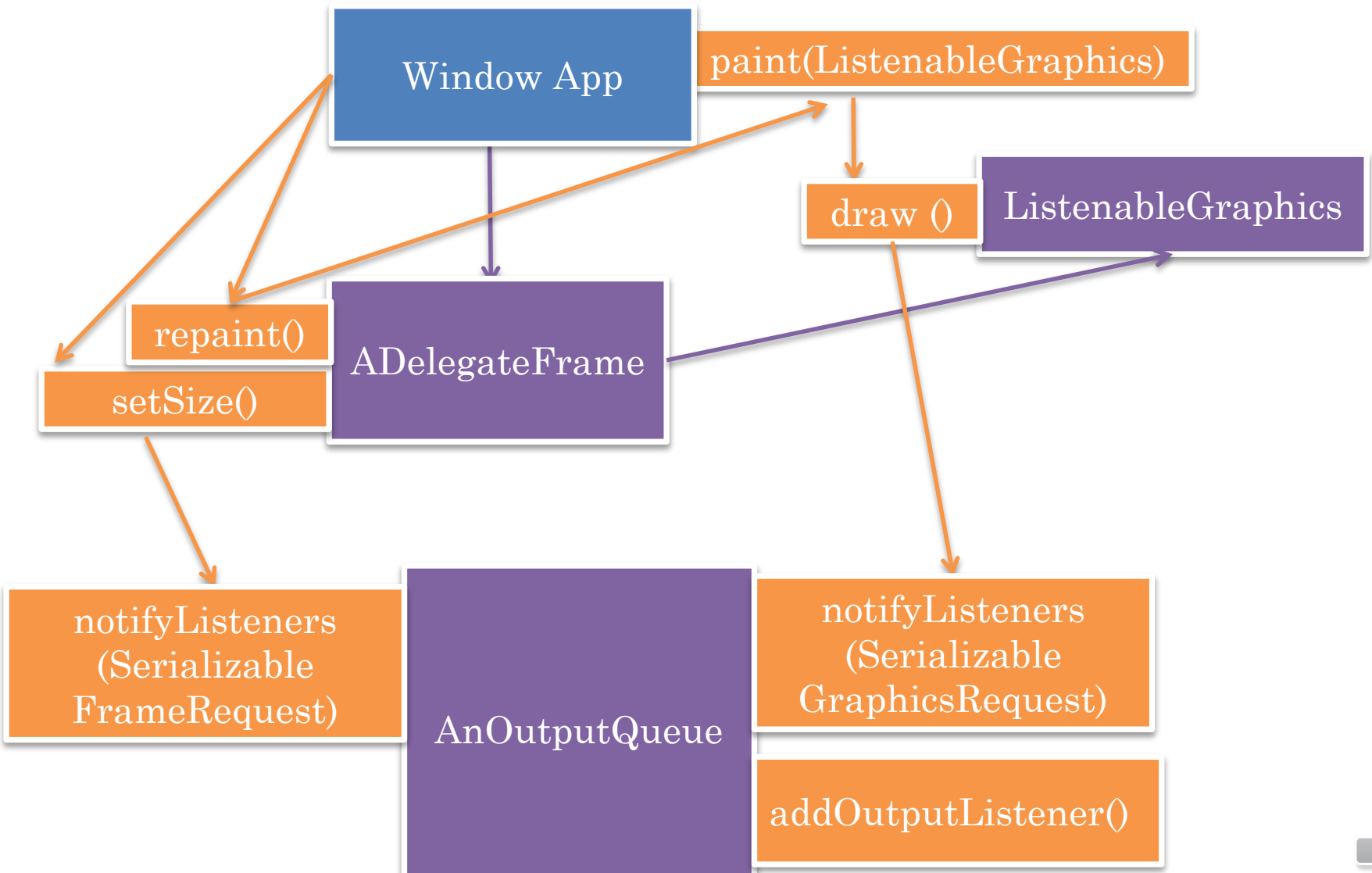
Calls to both frame and graphics must be intercepted

Java not designed to allow output interception

Calls are made by making different invocations, not passing a unifying data structure

How to change AWT/Swing?

LIBRARY GLOBAL QUEUE



```
AnOutputQueue.addOutputListener(this);
```

GLOBAL QUEUE

All frame calls and listenable graphics calls sent to output queue

AnOutputQueue, like AnExtendibleAWTQueue, allows listeners

MASTER PAINTER

```
public class AListenableCharacterDrawer
    extends ACursorTrackerOfDelegateFrame
    implements ListenablePainter {
    final static int CARAT_LENGTH = 10;
    public AListenableCharacterDrawer(ADelegateFrame theDelegateFrame) {
        super(theDelegateFrame);
        delegateFrame.addPainter(this);
    }
    public void paint(
        ADelegateFrame theDelegateFrame, ListenableGraphics g) {
        g.drawLine(charX, charY, charX, charY - CARAT_LENGTH);
        g.drawString("" + lastChar, charX, charY);
    }
    public void mousePressed(MouseEvent event) {
        super.mousePressed(event);
        delegateFrame.repaint();
    }
    public void keyTyped(KeyEvent event) {
        For each frame, need to track graphics requests issued in last paint call so
        we can make transactions at the other end
    }
}
```

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SERIALIZABLEREQUEST

```
public interface SerializableRequest extends Serializable {  
    public int getFrameId();  
    public String getName();  
    public Object[] getArgs();  
}
```

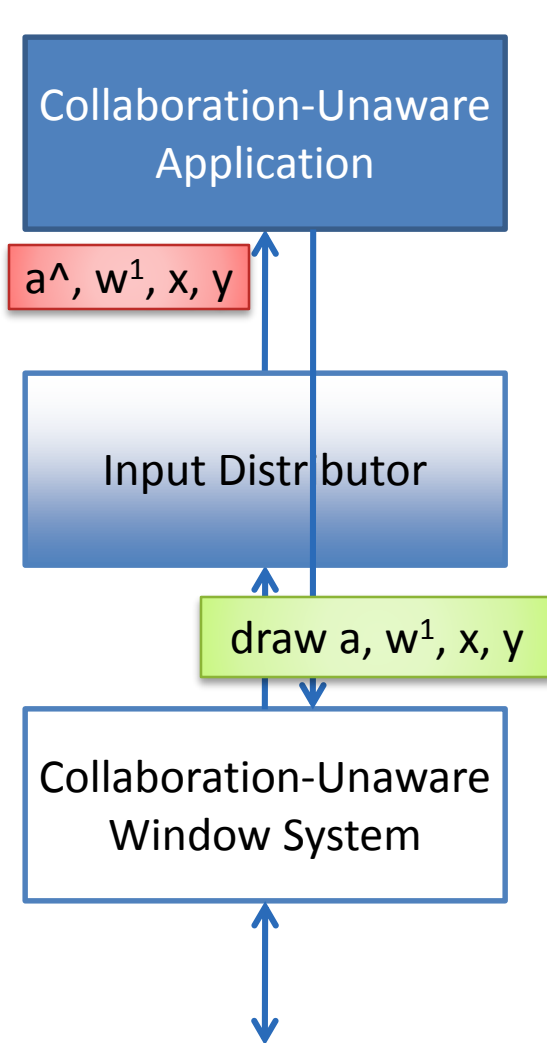
SERIALIZABLEGRAPHICSREQUEST

```
public interface SerializableGraphicsRequest extends SerializableRequest{  
    public static final String DRAW_OVAL = "drawOval";  
    public static final String DRAW_RECT = "drawRect";  
    public static final String DRAW_STRING = "drawString";  
    public static final String DRAW_LINE = "drawLine";  
    public static final String PAINT_START = "paintStart";  
    public static final String PAINT_END = "paintEnd";  
    public Rectangle getClipBounds();  
    public void setClipBounds(Rectangle theRectangle);  
}
```


SERIALIZABLEFRAMEREQUEST

```
public interface SerializableFrameRequest extends SerializableRequest{  
    public static final String CREATE_FRAME = "createFrame";  
    public static final String SET_SIZE = "setSize";  
}
```

INTERCEPTING OUTPUT IN REAL WORLD



Call in the window system/widget usually does not result in notifications

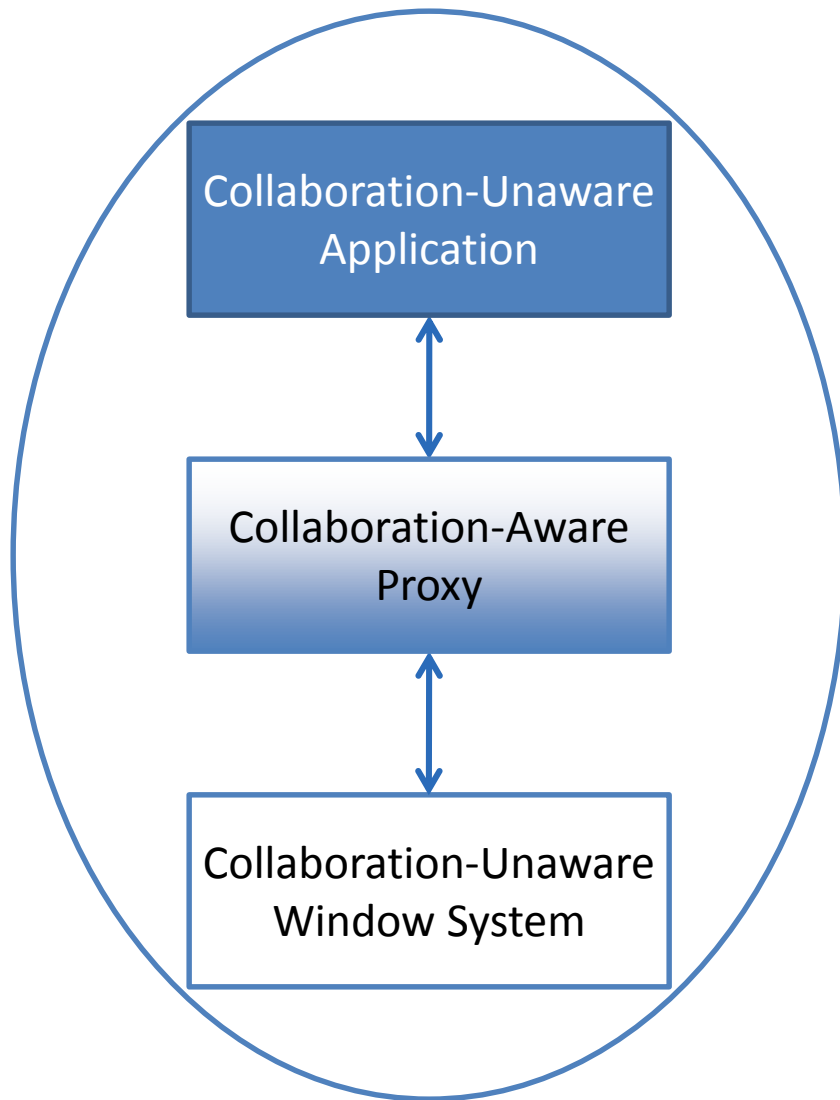
Local infrastructure module can send screen diffs to other computers

Must poll and send periodically

draw $\text{pixrect}_1, \text{pixrect}_n$

Intercepting output needed only in centralized architectures

WINDOW SYSTEM AS A LIBRARY



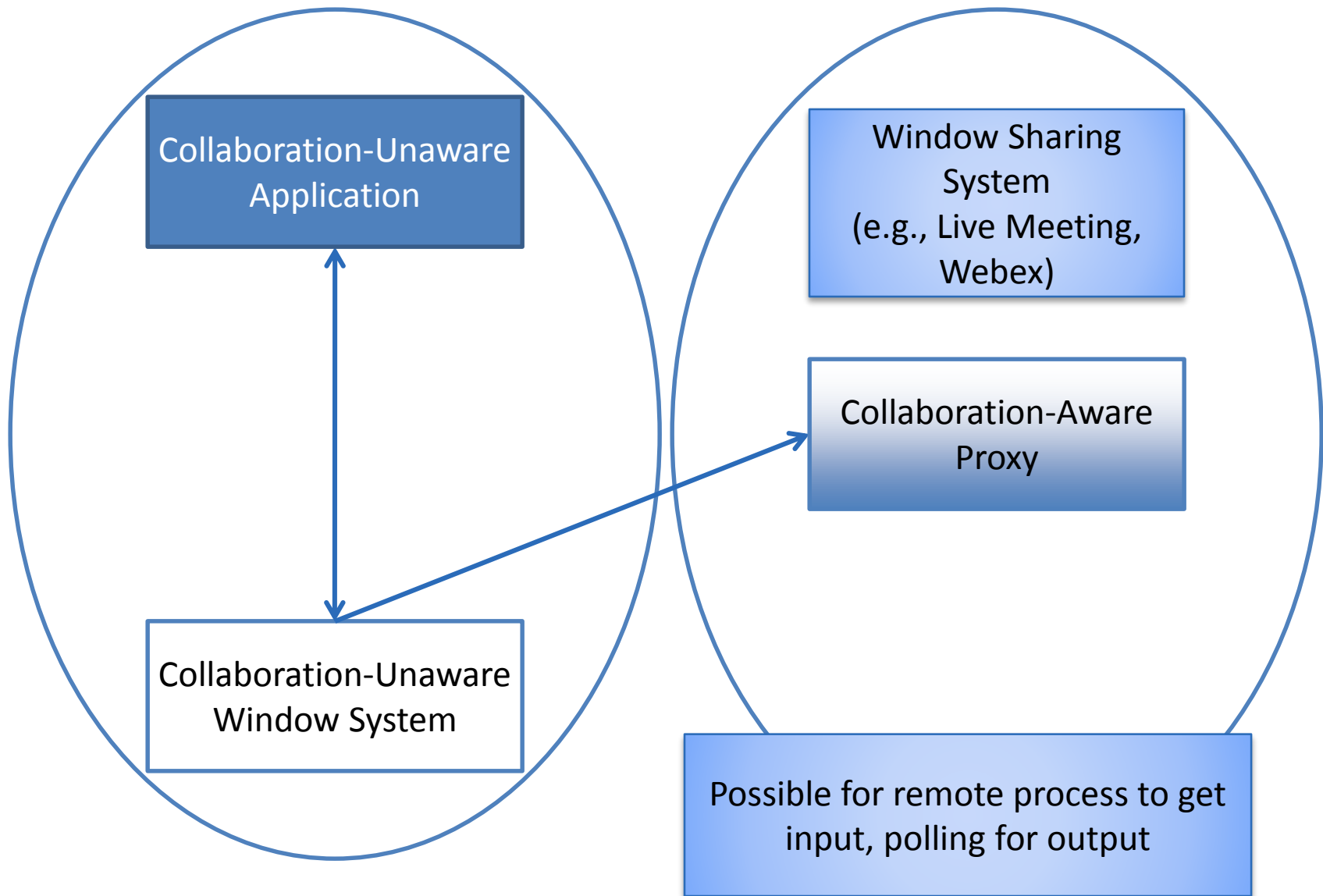
In Java window system is a library and not a separate process

Microsoft Windows

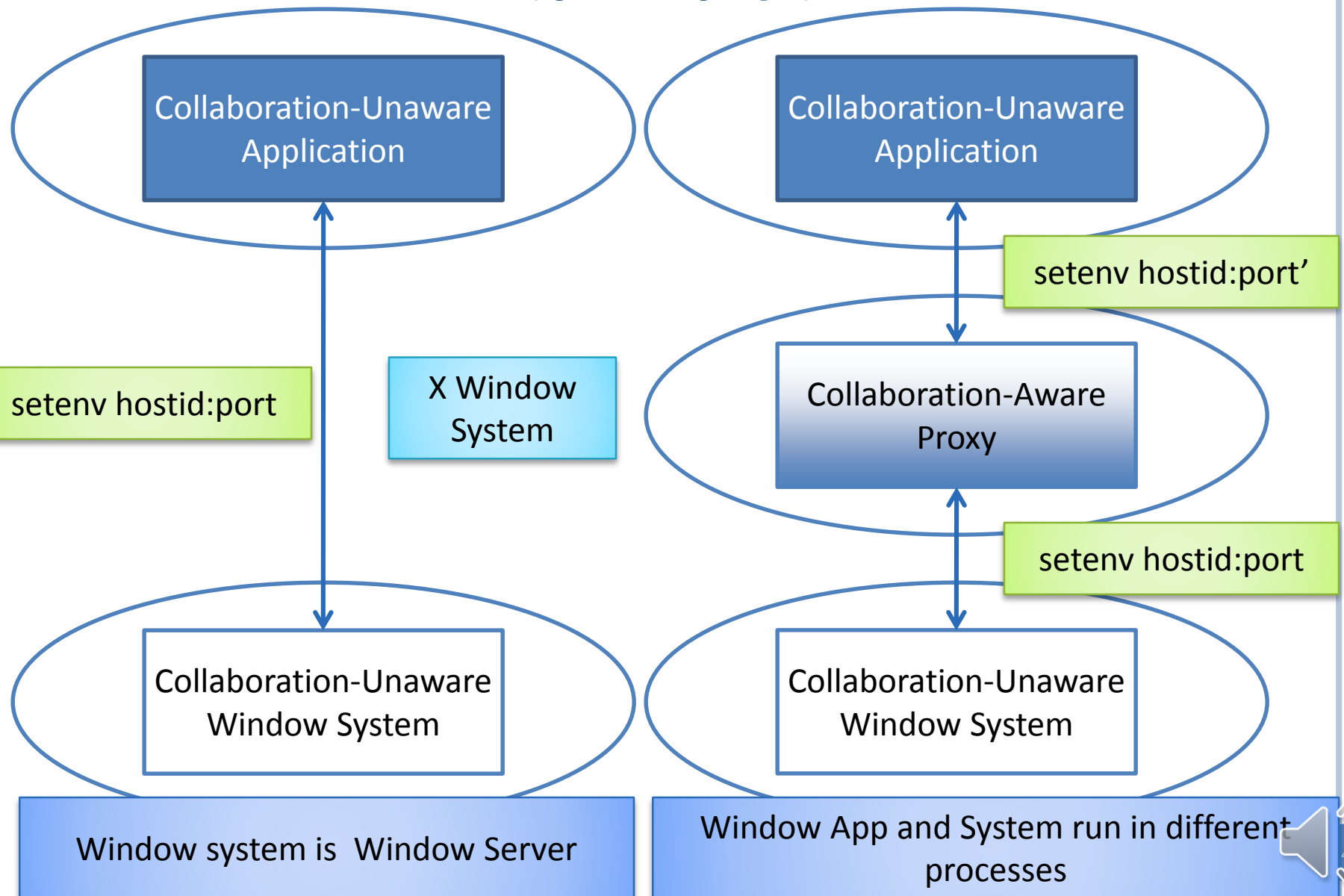
Window App and System run in same process

Library proxy possible but not common, have to run proxy code for some compiled process

WINDOW SYSTEM PROXY



PROXY ADDITION IN CLIENT-SERVER ARCHITECTURE



SHARED WINDOW SYSTEMS

- Coupling
 - WYSIWIS, Relaxed WYSIWIS
- Shared Window Systems
 - Constraints on input sequences can be violated
 - Layering for telepointers
- Replicated
 - Input broadcast
 - Input interception, injection
 - All problems of replicated models and no awareness
- Centralized
 - Input relay and output broadcast
 - Input interception, injection
 - Output interception, injection
 - All problems of centralized plus pop up menus, different exposed areas, output query calls
 - Virtual desktop solves problem of referential transparency vs. per user window configuration
- Java Implementation
 - Input interception and injection possible
 - Implementation problems as demo shows
 - Output interception and injection not directly supported
- Address space of proxies
 - Different from shared application in reality
 - Easier to attach proxies if distributed window systems such as X