# Model – View – Controller

## Model – View – Controller (MVC)

- A Software Architectural Pattern
  - Much like a design pattern
  - It uses design patterns
- Provides low coupling in User Interface systems.

## **MVC** Key Idea

#### **Break application into 3 logical components**

#### Model:

 Holds the state of the application and logic/rules of how state can be updated.

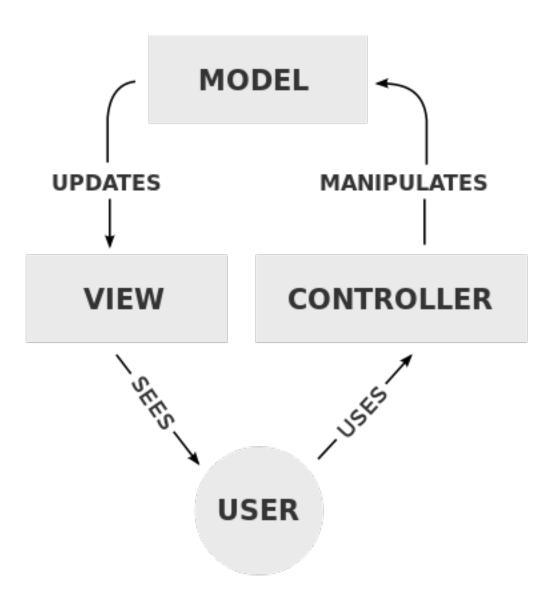
#### View:

Output representation of information

#### Controller:

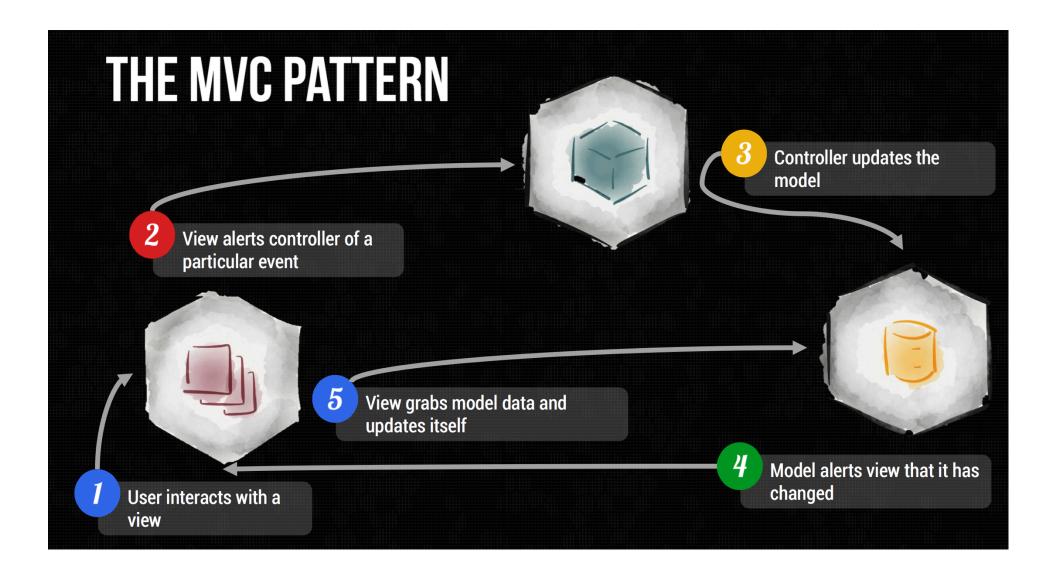
 Accepts user input and translates it into commands for the model or a view

Decouple interface from application state



### Low Coupling from Views/Controllers to Model

- Model code is independent from interface
- Can support many different views
  - Simultaneously or one-at-a-time (e.g., summary vs. detail)
  - Use Observer pattern to attach Views to Model
- Can support many different controllers



### **CS 126 Term Project**

- Imagine, Design, and Create your own android app.
- Three Requirements:
  - Have at least two activities (in the Android sense)
    - Thursday's lecture
  - Have interactivity between App users across devices
    - Next week
  - Use one Android platform feature not explicitly taught
    - E.g., hardware features (e.g., GPS, accelerometer, gyroscope, camera, microphone, speaker), authentication (e.g., Firebase), notifications (e.g., Firebase), activities with multiple fragments, custom Views using android.graphics.canvas,