

Seaside

Building Complex Web  
Applications Simply

What are the problems?

HTML is goto programming

Reusability is difficult

Hard to debug

# Goto programming

```
<form action="second.html">  
  <input type="text"  
  name="value1">  
  <input type="submit" value="OK">  
</form>
```

```
<form action="result.html">  
  <input type="hidden" name="value1" value="<% value1 %>" >  
  <input type="text" name="value2">  
  <input type="submit" value="OK">  
</form>
```

```
<p>  
  <% value1 + value2 %>  
</p>
```

# Seaside flow

```
| value1 value2 |
```

```
value1 := self request: 'first number'.
```

```
value2 := self request: 'second number'.
```

```
self inform: value1 + value2
```

# Call/Answer

*Call a **component** (widget) and answer its returned value.*

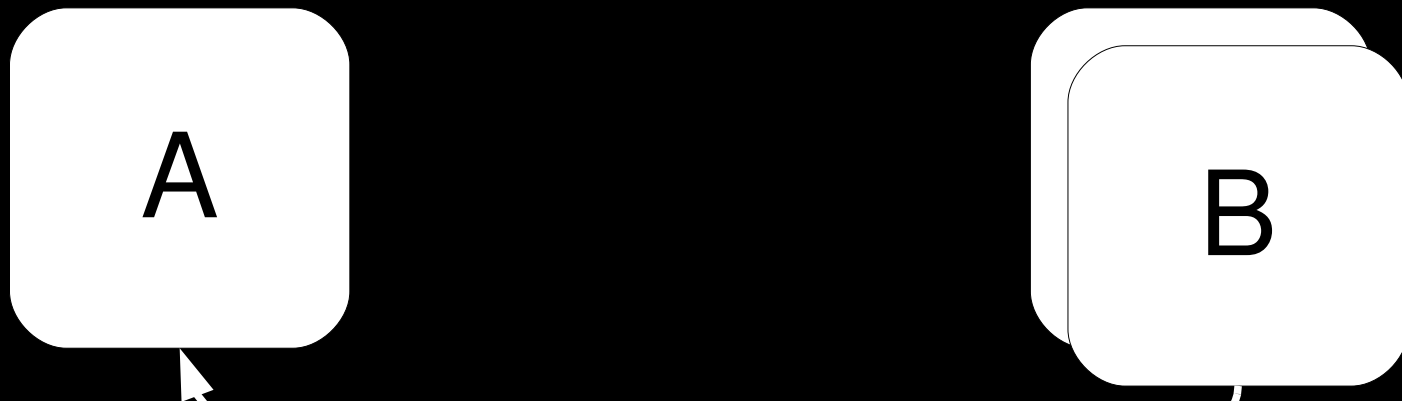
```
value1 := self request: 'first number'.
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# Call a component

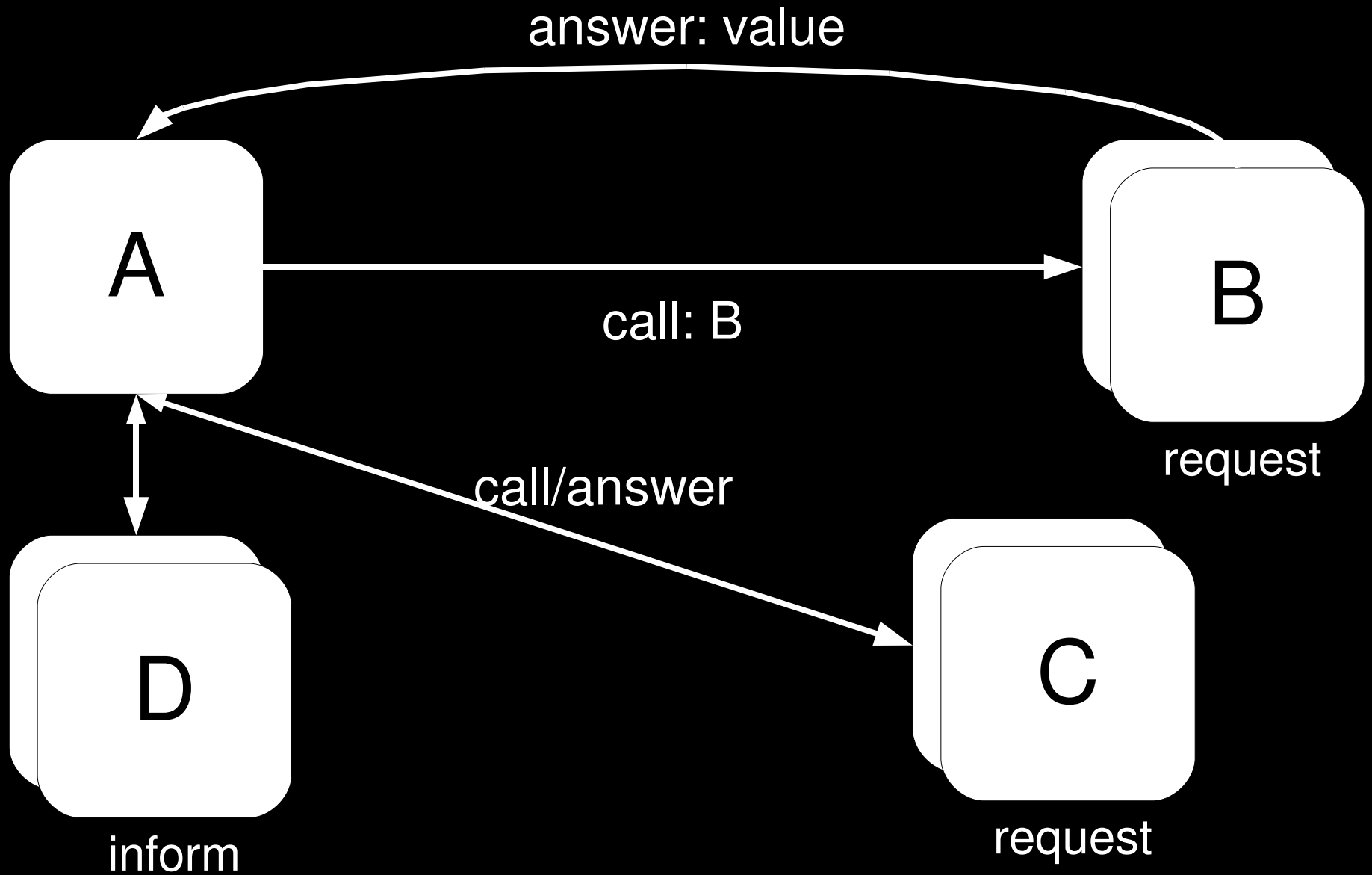


Answer its value



answer: value

# A flow of components



More examples

# Event model

*goto not in our world*

Example2>>renderContentOn: html

html form: [

html submitButton

callback: [ self inform: 'Hello' ] ;

text: 'Say Hello' ]

# Components

*the counter example*

Write your own reusable component

- data model
- component rendering

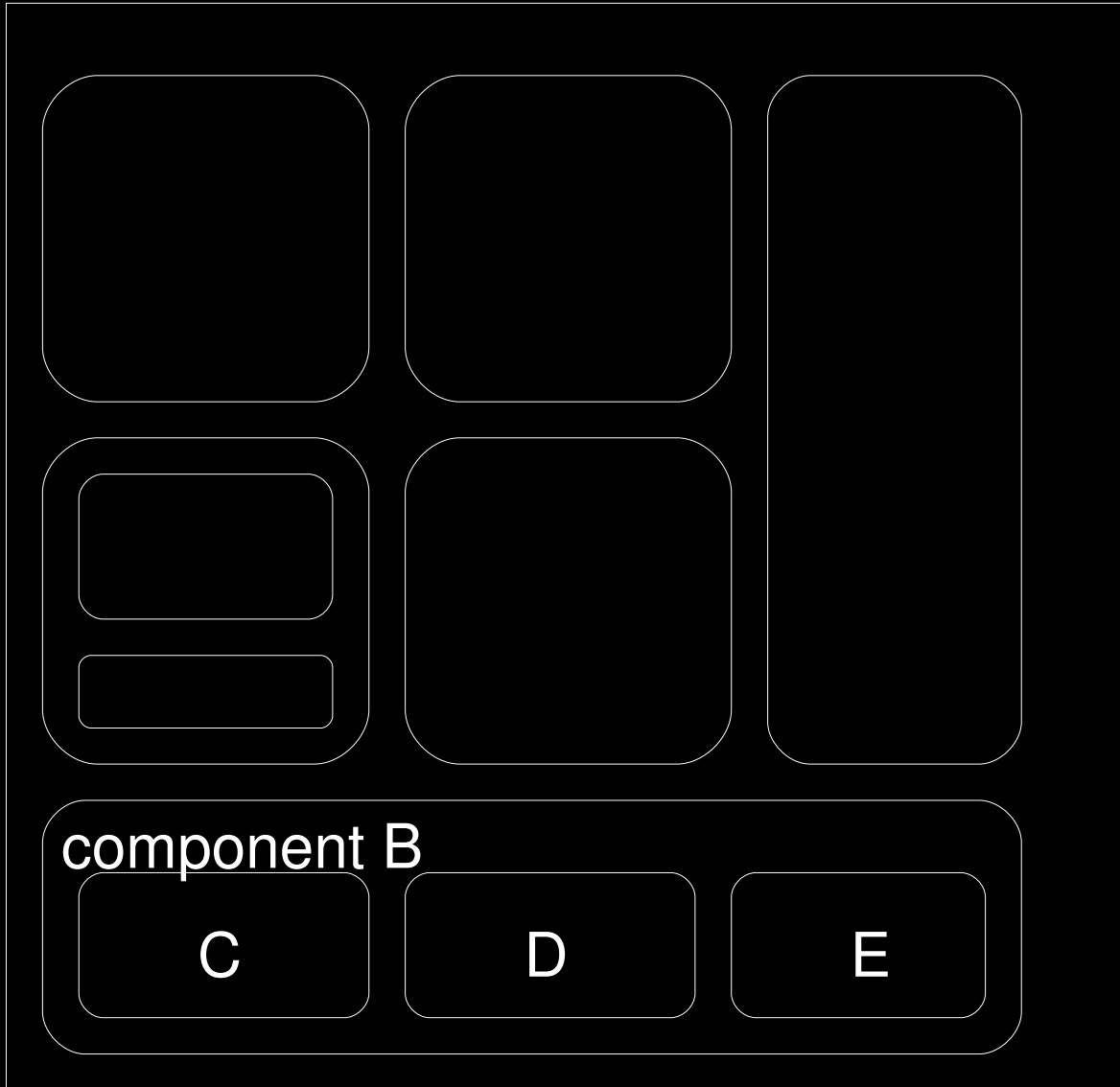
# Reusability

*compose your components*

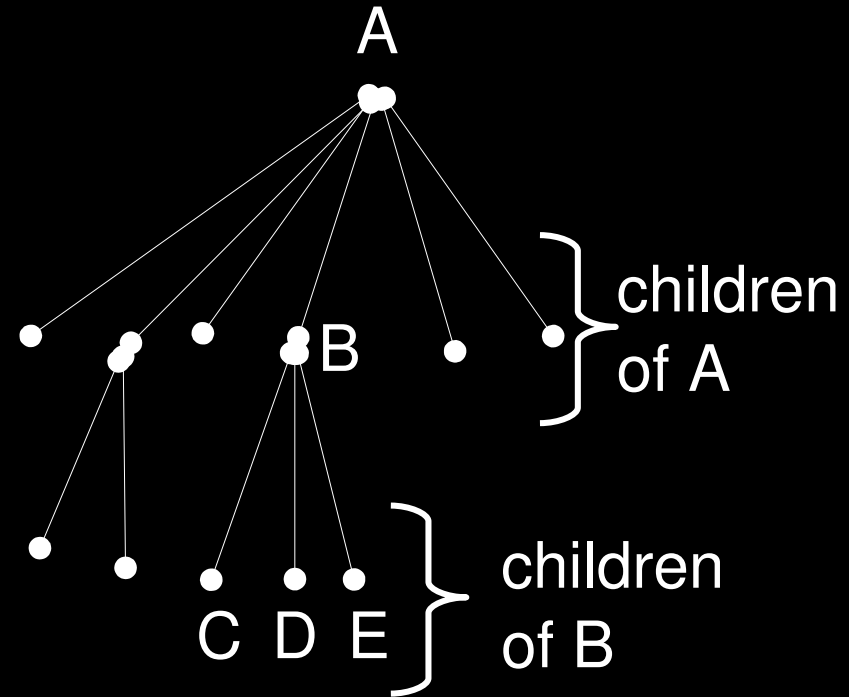
There is more than one note  
in a music partition, right?

# Nesting components

component A



browser view





# How to nest components

A component :

declares publicly its children components

asks the html canvas to render its children

# Debug

How do you do it?

Debug

Hum, better to not remember it...

# Debug tourism on the Seaside

All the **Smalltalk** machinery is there for  
debugging,

and it is hudge!

The **Smalltalk image** holds the state  
of your web application

The **Smalltalk environment** is the place  
to debug your web application

Free tour to debug land...

AJAX is there as well



A real example with *iStoa.net*