

INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN PATTERNS

• Definition: Design patterns are general, reusable solutions to common design problems in software development.

- Importance:
- - Provide standardized solutions to design issues.
- - Enhance code readability, maintainability, and flexibility.
- - Facilitate better software architecture by promoting best practices.

WHY CLASSIFY DESIGN PATTERNS?

- Purpose of Classification:
- - Helps developers identify the right pattern quickly.
- - Supports faster learning by grouping patterns based on common goals.
- - Simplifies pattern selection by categorizing them according to their primary intent.
- Classification is based on:
- - Intent: What the pattern aims to achieve.
- - Scope: Class-level (compile-time) or Object-level (runtime).
- - Focus: Object creation, composition, or interaction.

THREE MAIN CATEGORIES OF DESIGN PATTERNS

- - Creational Patterns: Deal with object creation mechanisms.
- - Structural Patterns: Focus on class and object composition.
- - Behavioral Patterns: Handle object interaction and responsibilities.
- Originated from the Gang of Four (GoF) book: "Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software".

UNDERSTANDING CREATIONAL PATTERNS

- Objective: Abstracts the instantiation process, decoupling object creation from client code.
- Focus: Providing flexible ways to create objects without specifying exact classes.
- Key Characteristics:
- - Encapsulates object creation logic.
- - Provides control over object creation.
- Scope: Primarily object-level (runtime).

WHEN TO USE CREATIONAL PATTERNS

- When the exact type or configuration of objects is unknown until runtime.
- When object creation logic becomes complex and repetitives
- When ensuring a single instance of an object (Singleton) is necessary.

UNDERSTANDING STRUCTURAL PATTERNS

- Objective: Simplifying the structure of complex systems through flexible class and object composition.
- Focus: Identifying and simplifying relationships between entities.
- Key Characteristics:
- - Improves system flexibility by organizing objects and classes.
- - Supports composition over inheritance.
- Scope: Both class-level (compile-time) and object-level (runtime).

WHEN TO USE STRUCTURAL PATTERNS

- When building complex hierarchies of objects.
- When you need to extend functionality without modifying existing code.
- When bridging incompatible interfaces between components.

UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIORAL PATTERNS

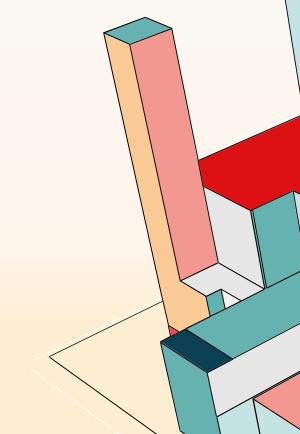
- Objective: Concerned with object interaction, communication, and responsibility delegation.
- Focus: Ensuring loosely coupled and cooperative objects.
- Key Characteristics:
- - Defines clear communication protocols between objects.
- - Encapsulates behavior variations within interchangeable objects.
- Scope: Primarily object-level (runtime).

WHEN TO USE BEHAVIORAL PATTERNS

- When communication between objects must remain flexible.
- When different behaviors are needed at runtime.
- When avoiding tight coupling between classes is critical.

CREATIONAL VS. STRUCTURAL VS. BEHAVIORAL PATTERNS

- Primary Concern:
- - Creational: Object creation mechanisms
- - Structural: Object composition
- - Behavioral: Object interaction
- Key Goal:
- - Creational: Flexibility in object creation
- - Structural: Simplifying structure
- - Behavioral: Decoupling communication



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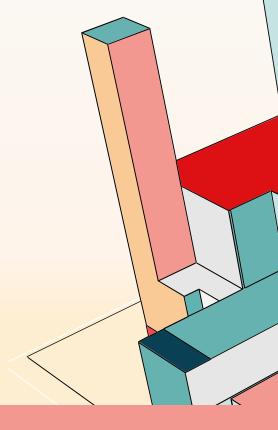
- Focus on:
- - Creational: Instantiation logic
- - Structural: Relationships & interfaces
- - Behavioral: Object responsibilities
- Typical Outcome:
- - Creational: Abstracted creation process
- - Structural: Simplified object structure
- - Behavioral: Clear collaboration rules

SCOPE OF PATTERNS

- Class Scope: Focus on inheritance and static relationships (compile-time).
- Object Scope: Focus on runtime object interactions and dynamic behavior.
- Examples:
- - Class Scope: Structural patterns (e.g., Adapter, Bridge)
- - Object Scope: Creational and Behavioral patterns (e.g., Factory Method, Strategy)

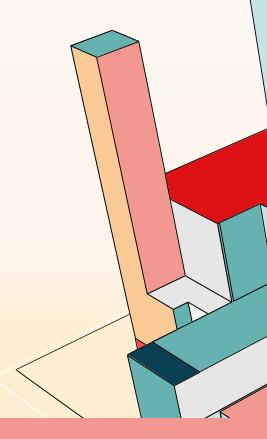
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class Product(ABC):
   @abstractmethod
   def operation(self) -> str:
        pass
class ConcreteProductA(Product):
   def operation(self) -> str:
       return "Product A"
class ConcreteProductB(Product):
   def operation(self) -> str:
       return "Product B"
class Creator(ABC):
   @abstractmethod
   def factory method(self) -> Product:
        pass
class ConcreteCreatorA(Creator):
   def factory method(self) -> Product:
       return ConcreteProductA()
class ConcreteCreatorB(Creator):
   def factory method(self) -> Product:
       return ConcreteProductB()
creator = ConcreteCreatorA()
print(creator.factory method().operation())
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CREATIONAL PATTERN – FACTORY METHOD (EXAMPLE)



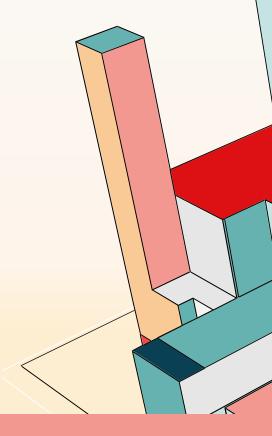
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class Component(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def operation(self) -> str:
        pass
class ConcreteComponent(Component):
    def operation(self) -> str:
       return "ConcreteComponent"
class Decorator(Component):
    def init (self, component):
        self. component = component
    def operation(self) -> str:
       return self. component.operation()
class ConcreteDecoratorA(Decorator):
    def operation(self) -> str:
       return f"DecoratorA({super().operation()})"
component = ConcreteComponent()
decorated = ConcreteDecoratorA(component)
print(decorated.operation())
```

STRUCTURAL PATTERN – DECORATOR (EXAMPLE)



```
class Strategy(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def execute(self, a: int, b: int) -> int:
        pass
class AddStrategy(Strategy):
    def execute(self, a, b):
        return a + b
class SubtractStrategy(Strategy):
    def execute(self, a, b):
        return a - b
class Context:
    def init (self, strategy: Strategy):
        self.strategy = strategy
    def execute strategy(self, a, b):
        return self.strategy.execute(a, b)
context = Context(AddStrategy())
print(context.execute_strategy(3, 4))
```

BEHAVIORAL PATTERN – STRATEGY (EXAMPLE)



KEY INSIGHTS FROM CODE EXAMPLES

- - Creational: Factory Method delegates object creation.
- - Structural: Decorator dynamically extends functionality.
- - Behavioral: Strategy allows runtime behavior changes.

The Catalog of Design Patterns

Creational patterns

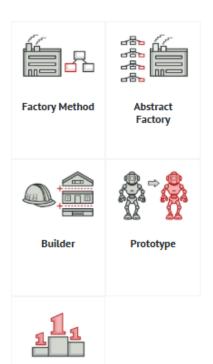
These patterns provide various object creation mechanisms, which increase flexibility and reuse of existing code.

Structural patterns

These patterns explain how to assemble objects and classes into larger structures while keeping these structures flexible and efficient.

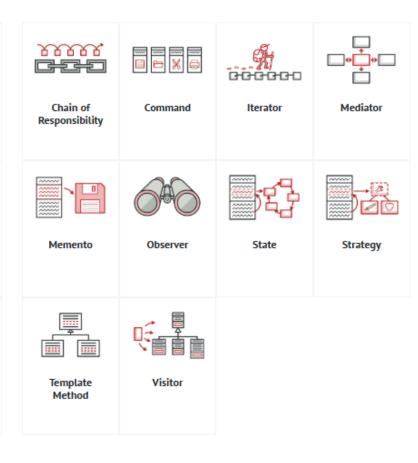
Behavioral patterns

These patterns are concerned with algorithms and the assignment of responsibilities between objects.



Singleton







CONCLUSION

- Classification helps in pattern selection: Creation, Structure, or Behavior.
- Each pattern type solves different design challenges.
- Understanding the classification is crucial before learning individual patterns.

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