Leveraging Reuse through Inheritance



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Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

Identifying classes



- Represents business entities
- Defines properties (data)
- Defines methods (actions/behavior)

Separating responsibilities



- Minimizes coupling
- Maximizes cohesion
- Simplifies maintenance
- Improves testability

Establishing relationships



 Defines how objects work together to perform the operations of the application

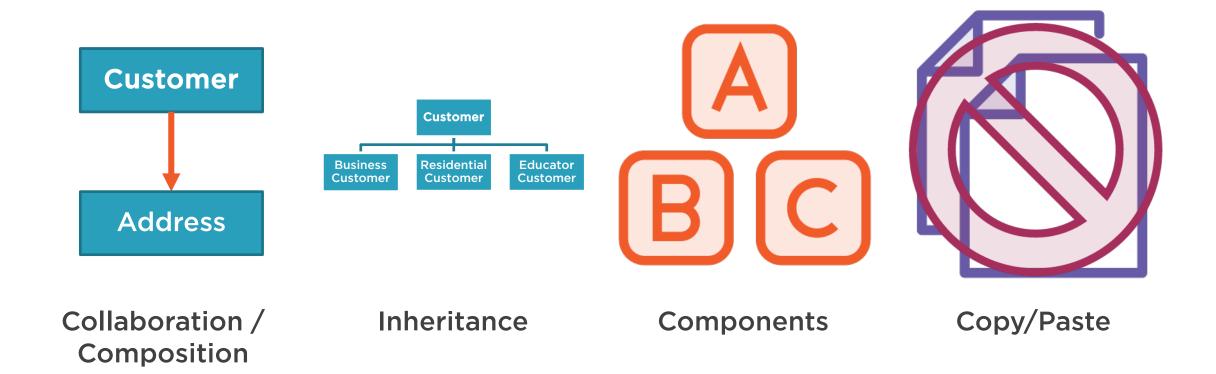
Leveraging reuse



- Involves extracting commonality
- Building reusable classes / components
- Defining interfaces

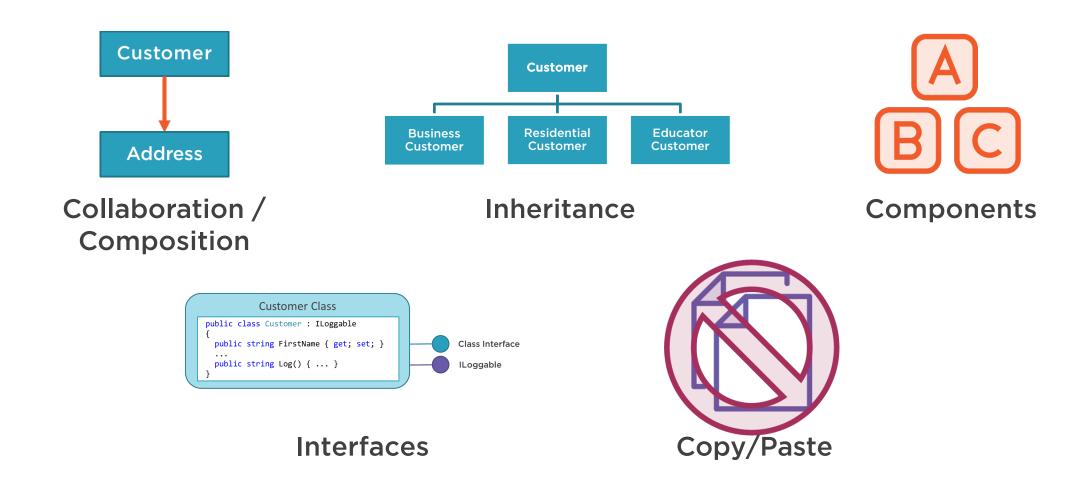


Techniques for Leveraging Reuse





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Module Outline

The .NET Object class

Overriding base class functionality

Polymorphism

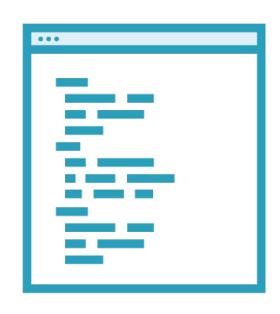
Building a base class



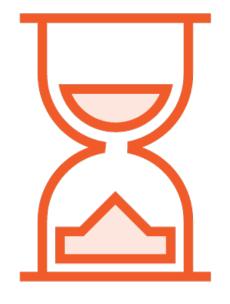
Secrets of Reuse



Advantages of Reuse



Reduces amount of code



Reduces development time



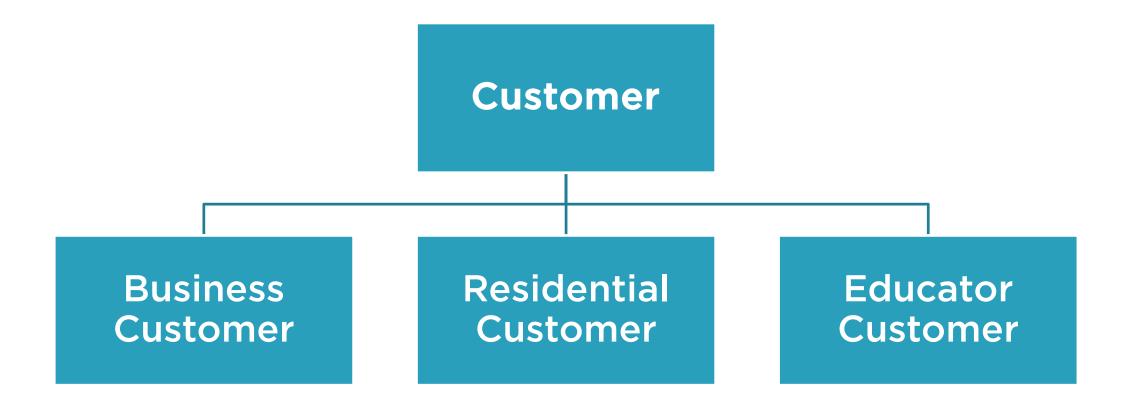
Reduces costs



Reduces bugs

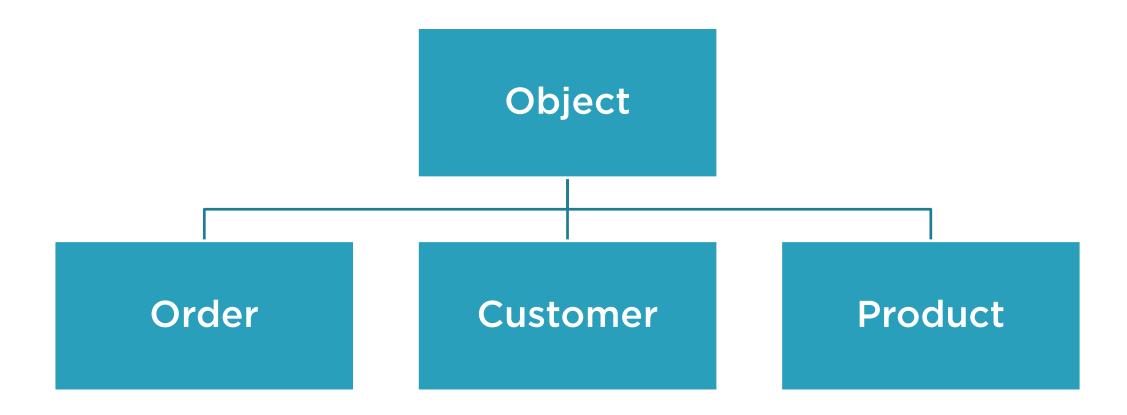


Inheritance





.NET Object Class





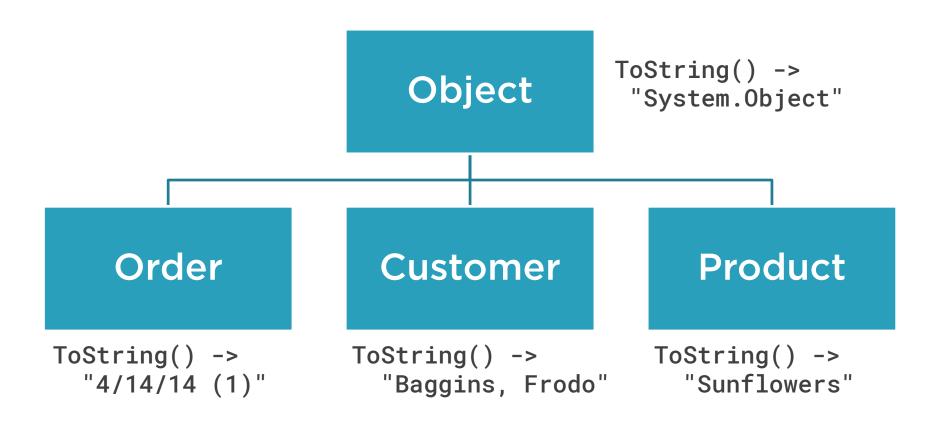
Demo



Overriding base class functionality



Polymorphism

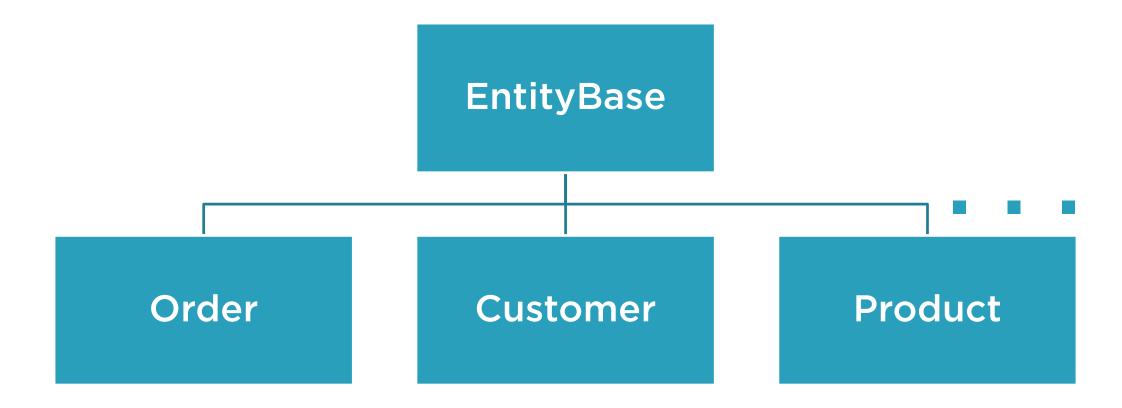




Saving

```
public bool IsNew { get; private set; }
public bool HasChanges { get; set; }
public bool IsValid => Validate();
public EntityStateOption EntityState { get; set; }
```

Base Class





Building a Base Class

Abstract Class | Concrete Class

Incomplete, with at least one property or method not implemented

Cannot be instantiated

Intended for use as a base class

```
public abstract class EntityBase
```

Normal class

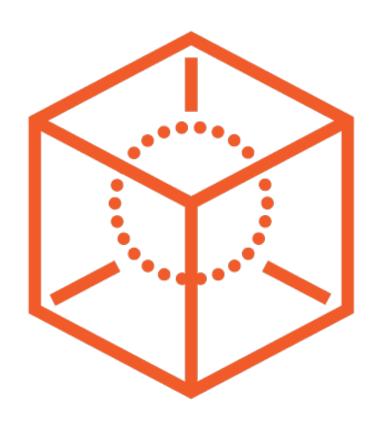
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Sealed Class

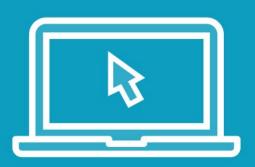


Cannot be extended through inheritance Sealed using the sealed keyword

```
public sealed class Customer
{
}
```



Demo



Building a base class

```
public bool IsNew { get; private set; }

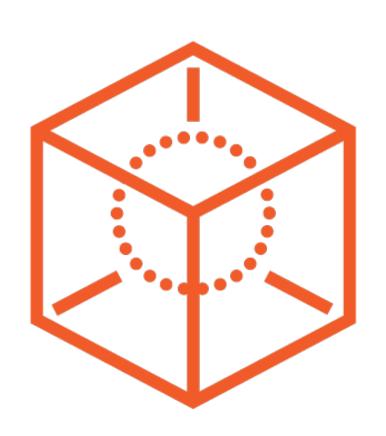
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Sealed Members



By default, class members are sealed and cannot be overridden

Expose members using

- Abstract
- Virtual



Preparing Overridable Base Class Members

Abstract

Method signature as place holder with no implementation

Only use in abstract classes

Must be overridden by derived class

```
public abstract bool Validate();
```

Virtual

Method with default implementation

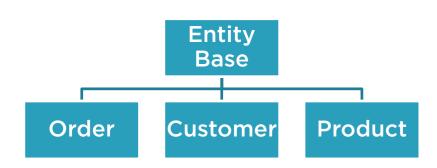
Use in abstract or concrete classes

Optionally overridden by derived class

```
public virtual bool Validate()
{
    ...
}
```



Inheritance



Define a base class with common functionality

```
public class EntityBase
{
   public bool HasChanges { get; set; }
}
```

Inherit from that class to reuse its functionality

```
public class Product : EntityBase
{
}
```

Abstract Class



An incomplete class with one or more members that are not implemented

An abstract class cannot be instantiated

Intended for use as a base class

```
public abstract class EntityBase
{
}
```



Sealed Class



A concrete class that cannot be extended through inheritance

Use it to prevent overriding the class functionality

```
public sealed class Customer
{
}
```



Abstract vs. Virtual Methods



Abstract method is a placeholder, no implementation, that must be overridden

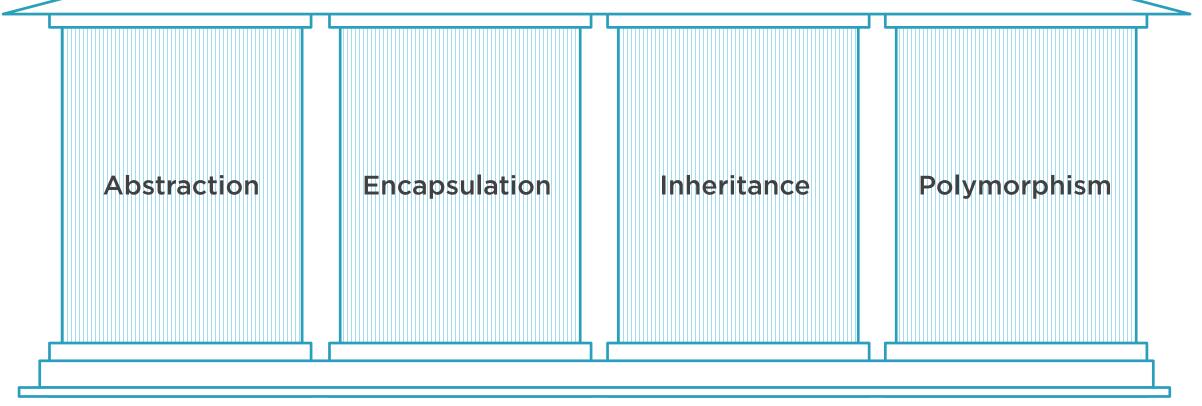
```
public abstract bool Validate();
```

Virtual method is a method with a default implementation that can be overridden

```
public virtual bool Validate()
{
    // Default implementation
}
```









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