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# **Design Patterns (GOF)**

Lesson 08: Introduction to GOF  
Design Patterns

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This lesson gives an Introduction on Design Patterns

## Lesson Objectives

- In this lesson, you will learn:
  - What is a design pattern?
  - Why Design Patterns
  - History of design pattern
  - Classification of design patterns
  - Drawbacks of Design Patterns



### Lesson Objectives:


This lesson introduces GOF (Gang of Four) Design Patterns. The lesson contents are:

#### Lesson 08: Introduction to GOF Design Patterns


- 8.1: What is a design pattern?
- 8.2: Why design patterns?
- 8.3: History of design patterns
- 8.4: Classification of Design Patterns
- 8.5: Drawbacks of Design Patterns

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Introducing Design Patterns

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All Design Patterns follow a design principle that says – “Take the parts that vary and encapsulate them, so that later you can alter or extend the parts that vary without affecting those that don’t” All patterns provide a way to let some part of a system vary independently of all other parts.

8.1: What is a Design Pattern?

## Concept of Design Pattern

- Design Pattern is a solution to a problem in a context.
- Pattern is a three-part rule, which expresses a relation between a certain context, a problem, and a solution.”
- Design Patterns are “reusable solutions to recurring problems that we encounter during software development.”



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What is a Design Pattern?

“A pattern describes a problem which occurs over and over again in our environment, and then describes the core of the solution to that problem in such a way that you can use this solution a million times over, without ever using it the same way twice.”

Patterns can be applied to many areas of human endeavor, including software development.

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Design Patterns enable large-scale reuse of software architecture and also help document systems.

Patterns explicitly capture expert knowledge and design tradeoffs and make it more widely available. Patterns help improve a developer communication as they form a common vocabulary.

8.2: Why Design Patterns?

## Rationale behind using Design Patterns

- Patterns enable programmers to "...recognize a problem and immediately determine the solution without having to stop and analyze the problem first."
- They provide reusable solutions.
- They enhance productivity.



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### Why Design Patterns?

Designing object-oriented code is hard, and designing reusable object-oriented software is even harder.

Patterns enable programmers to "...recognize a problem and immediately determine the solution without having to stop and analyze the problem first."

Well structured object-oriented systems have recurring patterns of classes and objects.

The patterns provide a framework for communicating complexities of OO design at a high level of abstraction. Bottom line is productivity.

Experienced designers reuse solutions that have worked in the past.

Knowledge of the patterns that have worked in the past allows a designer to be more productive and the resulting design to be more flexible and reusable.

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8.3: History of Design Patterns

## Chronological Order of Events

- 1979 – Christopher Alexander pens *The Timeless Way of Building*.
  - Building Towns for Dummies
  - It had nothing to do with software
- 1987 – Cunningham and Beck used Alexander's ideas to develop a small pattern language for smalltalk.
- 1990 – The Gang Of Four (Gamma, Helm, Johnson, and Vlissides) begin work on compiling a catalog of design patterns.
- 1994 – The GOF publish the first book on Design Patterns.

**Note:**

The history of GOF Design Patterns is listed on the slide.

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In short, from Design Patterns we do not get “code reuse” rather we get “experience reuse”.

## Design Patterns are NOT

- They are not data structures that can be included in classes and reused as is (i.e. linked lists, hash tables, etc)
- They are not complex domain-specific design solutions for the entire application
- Instead, they are:
  - Proven solutions to a general design problem in a particular context which can be customized to suit our needs.

**Features of JSP:**

Do not ever think that the class structure given by Design Patterns can be used as is unlike Data structures (namely, link lists, hash tables, etc).

They do not provide a domain specific design solution for an entire application. Instead they provide a proven solution to a general design problem in a particular context (not domain) which can be customized to suit our needs.



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Explain the significance of each category of Design Patterns. Mention that the “Fundamental Patterns” are not part of the GOF patterns. They are included here b’cos they form the base/building blocks for the GOF Patterns.

8.4: Classification of Design Patterns

## Broad level Categories of Design Patterns

- Design Patterns can be broadly classified as:
  - Fundamental patterns
  - Creational patterns
  - Structural patterns
  - Behavioral Patterns



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**Classification of GOF Design Patterns:**

The Design Patterns can be broadly classified as :

**Fundamental Patterns:** They are the building blocks for the other three categories of Design Patterns.

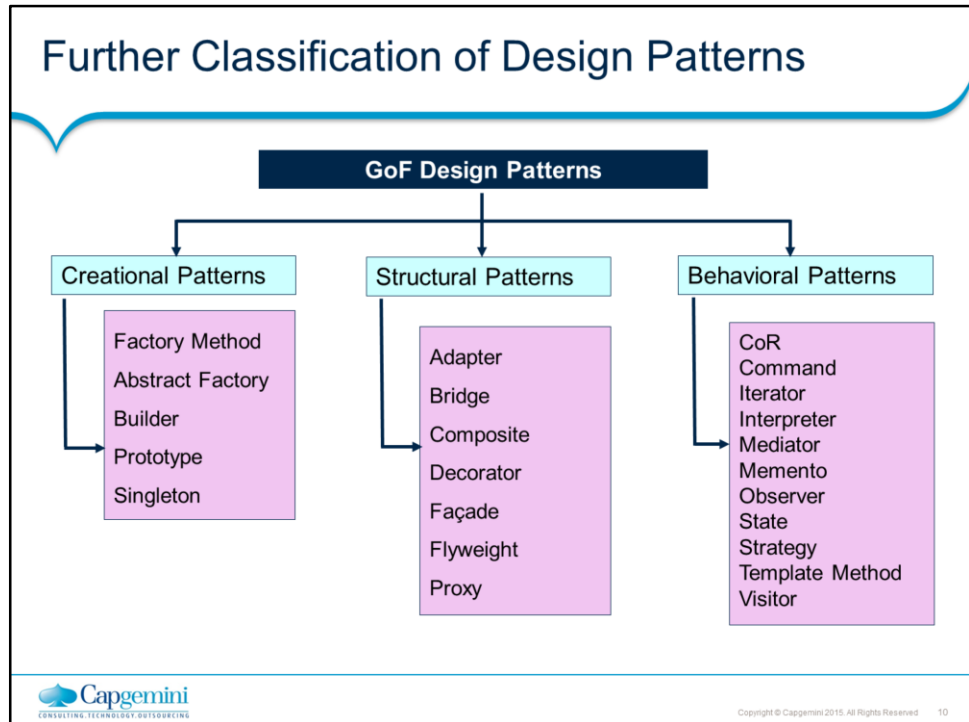
**Creational Patterns:** They deal with creation, initializing, and configuring classes and objects.

**Structural Patterns:** They facilitate decoupling interface and implementation of classes and objects.

**Behavioral Patterns:** They take care of dynamic interactions among societies of classes and objects. They also give guidelines on how to distribute responsibilities amongst the classes.

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At this stage just mention that there are 23 GOF Design Patterns and the slide lists the GOF patterns as per their classification

**Note:**

There are 23 GOF Design Patterns.

They have been classified as shown on the slide. Each of the Design Patterns will be explained in detailed in the subsequent lessons.

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Explain the difference between Class-based & Object-based Design Patterns as explained in notes.

## Categories of Design Patterns

Scope/Purpose	Creational	Structural	Behavioral
Class	Factory Method	Adapter	Interpreter Template Method
Object	Abstract Factory Builder Prototype Singleton	Adapter Bridge Composite Decorator Facade Flyweight Proxy	Chain of Responsibility Command Iterator Mediator Memento Observer State Strategy Visitor

### Categories of Design Patterns:

The Design Patterns are categorized as Class based or Object-based.

Class based Design Patterns uses “inheritance” as the basic principle whereas the object based patterns use “composition”.

One of the design principles says, “Favor Composition over Inheritance”.

As seen from the slide, “composition” is being favored by Design Patterns as well as most of the Design Patterns are “Object-based”.

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Mention the drawbacks

8.5: Drawbacks of Design Patterns

## Drawbacks of Design Patterns

- Listed below are some of the drawbacks of design patterns:
  - Patterns do not allow direct code reuse.
  - Patterns are deceptively simple.
  - Design might result into Pattern overload.
  - Patterns are validated by experience and discussion rather than by automated testing.

**Note:**

Besides the drawbacks mentioned in the slide, Integrating patterns into a software development process is a human-intensive task.

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## Summary

- In this lesson, you have learnt:
  - Concept of Design Pattern
  - Rationale behind using Design Patterns
  - Classification of Design Patterns
  - Categories of Design Patterns
  - Drawbacks of Design Patterns



**Instructor Notes:****Answers for the Review Questions:**

**Answer 1:**  
recurring problem;  
context

**Answer 2:**  
Creational,  
Structural &  
Behavioral

**Answer 3:** Class;  
Object

## Review – Questions

- Question 1: Design pattern is a solution to \_\_\_\_ within a particular \_\_\_\_.
- Question 2: Name different types of GOF Design Patterns.
- Question 3: The Design Patterns are categorized with \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ scope.

