
Refactoring Assignment: The Simple Reporting Tool (SRT) (Updated)

This assignment requires you to refactor an existing Java codebase for a simple reporting tool. The current code is functional but suffers from several design smells that make it hard to maintain, extend, and test.

Part 1: Initial Code Analysis

You are given the following initial Java code for a ReportGenerator class and a supporting DataProcessor class.

Initial ReportGenerator.java

Java

```
public class ReportGenerator {

    private String reportType; // e.g., "PDF", "CSV"
    private String rawData;

    public ReportGenerator(String rawData, String reportType) {
        this.rawData = rawData;
        this.reportType = reportType;
    }

    public String generateReport() {
        if (rawData == null || rawData.isEmpty()) {
            return "Error: No data provided.";
        }

        // Processing Logic - Very long method!
        String processedData = DataProcessor.processData(rawData);
```

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String header = "";
String body = "";
String footer = "--- End of Report ---";

// Logic for PDF and CSV report formats is tightly coupled
if ("PDF".equalsIgnoreCase(reportType)) {
    header = "--- PDF Report Header ---";
    body = "PDF formatted data: " + processedData.toUpperCase();
} else if ("CSV".equalsIgnoreCase(reportType)) {
    header = "--- CSV Report Header ---";
    // The next line simulates complex CSV formatting logic
    String[] dataLines = processedData.split(",");
    StringBuilder csvContent = new StringBuilder();
    for (String line : dataLines) {
        csvContent.append("\"").append(line.trim()).append("\",");
    }
    body = "CSV Data:\n" + csvContent.toString();
} else {
    return "Error: Unsupported report type: " + reportType;
}

return header + "\n" + body + "\n" + footer;
}

// Unused method left over from previous development
public void printStatus() {
    System.out.println("Generator initialized.");
}

// New attribute added for additional refactoring task
public static final String DEFAULT_FOOTER = "--- End of Report ---";
}

```

Initial DataProcessor.java

Java

```

public class DataProcessor {
    public static String processData(String data) {
        // Simulates complex, independent data transformation logic
        return data.replaceAll(" ", "_").toLowerCase();
    }
}

```

Part 2: Refactoring Tasks 🛠️

Your primary goal is to apply the following **required refactoring techniques** to the codebase to improve its design based on the **Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)** and the **Open/Closed Principle (OCP)**.

Required Refactoring Method	Class/Method to Apply To	Design Problem Addressed
1. Extract Method	ReportGenerator.generateReport()	Long Method (The method is too large and performs too many steps).
2. Replace Conditional with Polymorphism	ReportGenerator.generateReport()	Switch Statement/Conditional Complexity (The large if/else if structure violates OCP).
3. Move Method/Class	Logic within ReportGenerator	Large Class and Feature Envy (Report formatting logic is too complex for the generator).
4. Extract Interface	New classes created from polymorphism.	To support dependency inversion and testing.
5. Remove Unused Code	ReportGenerator.printStatus()	Dead Code.
6. Encapsulate Field (New)	ReportGenerator.reportType	Public/Exposed Field (To enforce controlled access and type safety).
7. Replace Magic Number with Symbolic Constant (New)	Hardcoded strings in ReportGenerator (e.g., "PDF", "CSV")	Magic Strings (Improves readability and maintainability).
8. Self Encapsulate Field (New)	ReportGenerator.rawData	To allow for future subclassing or more complex data validation without changing

		clients.
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Part 3: Deliverables

You must submit the following items for this assignment:

1. **Initial Class Diagram:** Draw the **UML Class Diagram** for the initial code structure (ReportGenerator and DataProcessor).
2. **Refactored Java Code:** The complete, refactored Java source code, split into the appropriate new classes and packages.
3. **Refactored Class Diagram:** Draw the **UML Class Diagram** for the final, refactored code structure. It must show all new classes, interfaces, and their relationships (inheritance, composition, etc.).
4. **Refactoring Report:** A short document (500–750 words) explaining **where** each of the **eight** required refactoring techniques was applied and **how** it improved the code's design (specifically referencing **SRP**, **OCP**, and **Maintainability**).

Would you like me to provide a high-level suggestion on **how** to tackle the "Replace Conditional with Polymorphism" step, as it's the most complex refactoring task?