

SWEN20003

Object Oriented Software Development

Design Patterns

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The Road So Far

- Java Foundations
- Object Oriented Principles
 - ▶ Encapsulation
 - ▶ Information Hiding (Privacy)
 - ▶ Inheritance and Polymorphism
 - ▶ Abstract Classes
 - ▶ Interfaces
- Modelling classes and relationships
- Advanced Java
 - ▶ Generics
 - ▶ Exceptions

Lecture Objectives

After this lecture you will be able to:

- Describe what **design patterns** are, and why they are useful
- Analyse and understand **design pattern specifications**
- Make use of (some) design patterns

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Step 3: Study and mimic the designs of experienced designers

- Good designers reuse solutions - they do not design everything from scratch
- **Design Patterns** systematically document re-occurring design solutions so that they can be reused

Design Patterns

A Software *Design Pattern* is a description of a solution to a recurring problem in software design.

The recurring nature of the problems makes the solution useful to software developers.

Publishing it in the form of a Pattern enables the solution to be used without reinventing the wheel.

Pioneering work on design patterns was done by Eric Gamma and the team who authored the classic book on design patterns (Gang of Four).

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Known Uses Specific, real-world examples of using the pattern

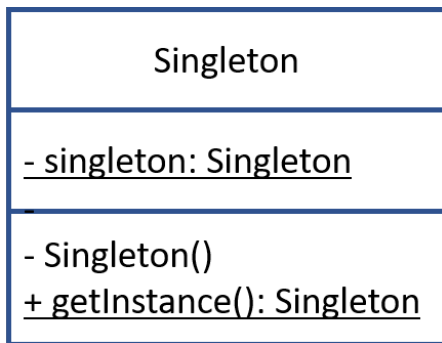
Design Patterns

Thousands of design patterns exist today.

Let us take a look at some common design patterns...

Singleton Pattern

Ensure that a class has only one instance and provide a global point of access to it.



Singleton Pattern - Implementation

```
class Singleton {  
    private static Singleton _instance = null;  
    private Singleton() {  
        //fill in the blank  
    }  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        if ( _instance == null )  
            _instance = new Singleton();  
        return _instance;  
    }  
  
    public void otherOperations() { }  
}
```

Singleton Pattern - Collaboration

```
class TestSingleton {  
  
    public void method1(){  
        X = Singleton.getInstance();  
    }  
  
    public void method2(){  
        Y = Singleton.getInstance();  
    }  
  
}
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Known Uses e.g. CacheManager class, PrinterSpooler class.

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Inheritance and *delegation* are the two main OO design techniques that are used for building generic components.

Template Method and Strategy Patterns

Template Method and *Strategy* are two design patterns that solve the problem of separating a generic algorithm from a detailed design.

Template Method pattern uses *Inheritance*.

Strategy pattern uses *Delegation*.

Template Method Pattern Motivation

```
public class BubbleSorter {  
    static int operations = 0;  
    public static int sort(int[] array){  
        operations = 0;  
        if (array.length <= 1)  
            return operations;  
        for (int i = array.length - 2; i >=0; i --){  
            for (int j = 0; j <= i; j++){  
                compareAndSwap(array, j);  
            }  
        }  
        return operations;  
    }  
}
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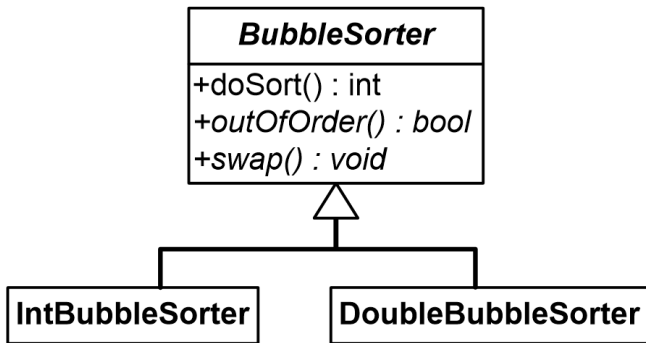
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public static void compareAndSwap(int[] array, int index){  
    if (array[index] > array[index+1])  
        swap(array, index);  
    operations++;  
}  
  
public static void swap(int[] array, int index){  
    int temp = array[index];  
    array[index] = array[index+1];  
    array[index+1] = temp;  
}  
}
```

Template Method Pattern Example

```
public abstract class AbstractBubbleSorter {  
    private static int operations = 0;  
    protected int length = 0;  
    protected int doSort(){  
        operations = 0;  
        if (length <= 1)  
            return operations;  
        for (int i = length - 2; i >=0; i--){  
            for (int j = 0; j <= i; j++){  
                if (outOfOrder(j))  
                    swap(j);  
                operations++;  
            }  
        }  
        return operations;  
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    protected abstract void swap(int index);  
    protected abstract boolean outOfOrder(int index);  
}
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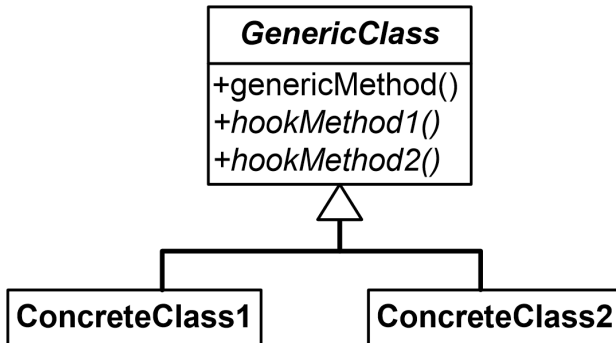

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```
public class IntBubbleSorter extends AbstractBubbleSorter {  
    private int[] array = null;  
    public int sort(int[] a){  
        array = a;  
        length = array.length;  
        return doSort();  
    }  
    @Override  
    protected boolean outOfOrder(int index) {  
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Strategy Pattern

Template method is an example of using inheritance as a mechanism for re-use.

- Generic algorithm is placed in the base class
- Specific implementation is deferred to the sub class

The design tradeoff of using inheritance is the strong dependency to the base class.

- Although the methods `outOfOrder` and `swap` are generic methods they cannot be re-used because they inherit the `AbstractBubbleSorter` class

The Strategy pattern is an alternative.

Strategy Pattern Example

```
public class BubbleSorterS {  
  
    static int operations = 0;  
    private int length = 0;  
    private SortHandle itsSortHandle = null;  
  
    public BubbleSorterS(SortHandle handle){  
        itsSortHandle = handle;  
    }  
}
```

Contd..

Strategy Pattern Example

```
public int sort(Object array){
    itsSortHandle.setArray(array);
    length = itsSortHandle.length();
    operations = 0;
    if (length <= 1)
        return operations;

    for(int nextToLast = length - 2; nextToLast >=0;nextToLast--){
        for (int index=0; index <= nextToLast; index++){
            if (itsSortHandle.outOfOrder(index))
                itsSortHandle.swap(index);
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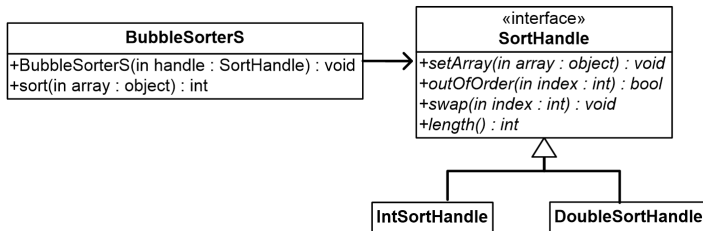
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public interface SortHandle {  
    public void swap(int index);  
    public boolean outOfOrder(int index);  
    public int length();  
    public void setArray(Object array);  
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Strategy Pattern Example

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    private int[] array = null;  
  
    public int length() {  
        return array.length;  
    }  
    public boolean outOfOrder(int index) {  
        return (array[index] > array[index+1]);  
    }  
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        this.array = (int [])array;  
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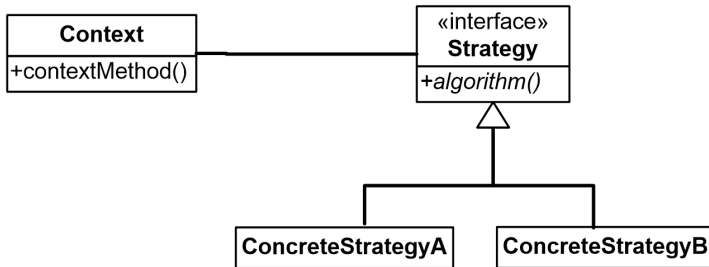
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public class QuickBubbleSorterS {  
    static int operations = 0;  
    private int length = 0;  
    private SortHandle itsSortHandle = null;  
  
    public QuickBubbleSorterS(SortHandle handle){  
        itsSortHandle = handle;  
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    if (length <= 1)
        return operations;
    boolean thisPassInOrder = false;
    for(int nextToLast = length - 2; nextToLast >=0 &&
        !thisPassInOrder; nextToLast--){
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Strategy Pattern Structure



Factory Method Pattern

Creating objects in the class that requires (uses) the objects is inflexible.

- It commits the class to a particular object
- Makes it impossible to change the instantiation without having to change the class.

Factory Method pattern solves this problem by:

- Defining a separate operation for creating an object.
- Creating an object by calling a factory method.

Factory Method Pattern

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Factory: A *general* technique for *manufacturing* (creating) objects.

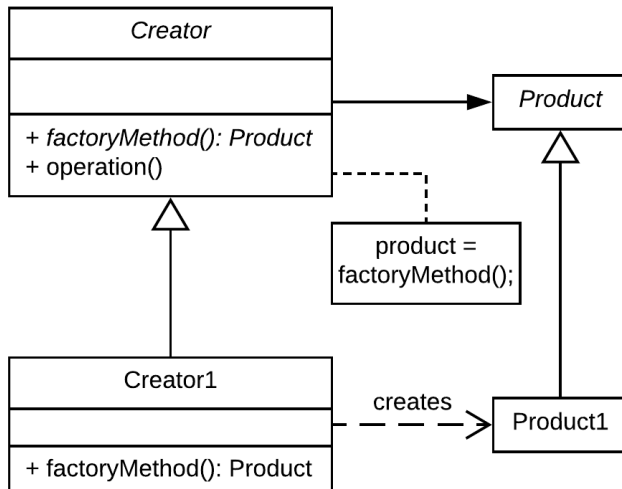
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Product: An abstract class that generalises the objects *being created/produced* by the factory.

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Creator: An abstract class that generalises the objects that *will consume/produce* products; generally have some *operation* (e.g. the constructor) that will invoke the factory method.

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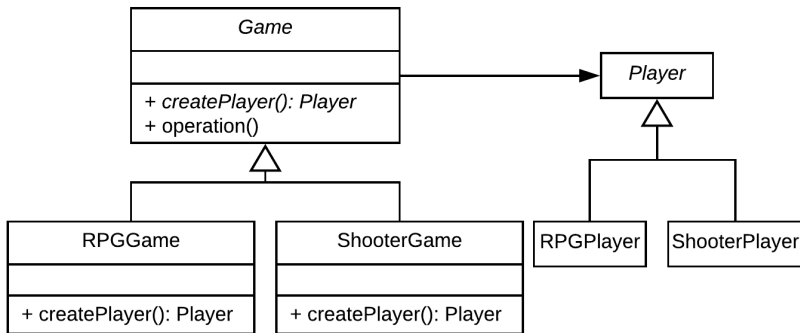
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Advantages of the Factory Method Pattern:

- *Delegates* object creation (and the decision process) to subclasses
- *Abstracts* object creation by using a factory (object production) method
- *Encapsulates* objects by allowing *subclasses* to determine what they need

Factory Method Pattern Example



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```
public abstract class Game {  
    private final List<Player> players = new ArrayList<>();  
  
    public Game(int nPlayers) {  
        for (int i = 0; i < nPlayers; i++) {  
            players.add(createPlayer());  
        }  
    }  
  
    public abstract Player createPlayer();  
}
```

Factory Method Pattern Example

```
public class RPGGame extends Game {  
    @Override  
    public Player createPlayer() {  
        return new RPGPlayer();  
    }  
}  
  
public class ShooterGame extends Game {  
    @Override  
    public Player createPlayer() {  
        return new ShooterPlayer();  
    }  
}
```

```
RPGGame shadowQuest = new RPGGame();  
ShooterGame callOfDuty = new ShooterGame();
```

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Observer Pattern

There are situations where many objects (observers) depend on the state of one object (subject).

A single object managing a one-to-many dependency between objects is inflexible.

- It commits (tightly couples) the subject to particular dependent objects.
- Such tightly coupled objects are hard to implement, test and maintain.

Observer pattern decouples the subject and observers using a publish-subscribe style communication pattern.

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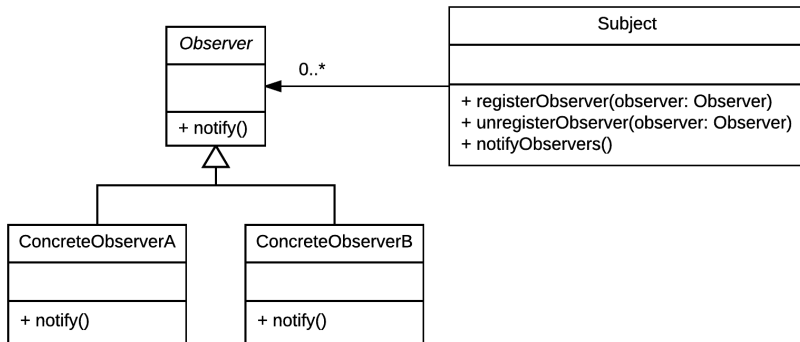
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Subject: An “important” object, whose state (or *change* in state) determines the actions of other classes.

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Observer: An object that monitors the subject in order to respond to its state, and any changes made to it.

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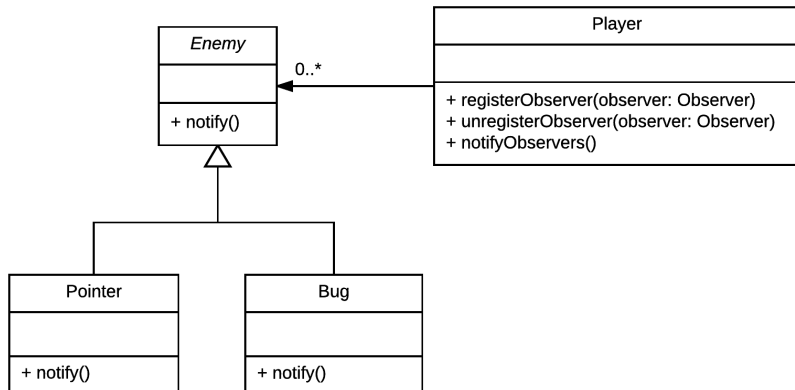
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- Automatically notifies observers of *state changes*
- *Decouples* the subject and the observer
- With some extra tools, powers a great deal of *event-driven* programs
- Clear responsibilities: subjects (ideally) know nothing about the observers, except that they exist
- Observers can be added and removed from subjects at will, with zero effect (also known as the *publish-subscribe* model)
- Can be extended in various ways to improve messaging, decoupling, and event-handling

Observer Pattern Example



Note: this isn't actually a "Java-ready" design

Observer Pattern Example

```
import java.util.Observer;

public abstract class Enemy implements Observer {

    public abstract update(Observable o, Object arg);

}

public class Pointer extends Enemy {

    public update(Observable o, Object arg) {
        ...
    }

}

public class Bug extends Enemy {

    public update(Observable o, Object arg) {
        ...
    }

}
```

Observer Pattern Example

```
import java.util.Observable;

public class Player extends Observable {
    public Player(..., ArrayList<Observer> observers) {
        ...
        for (Observer o : observers) {
            this.addObserver(o);
        }
        notifyObservers("Player created");
    }
}
```

However, in most cases it makes more sense for Subject (or Observable) to be an interface, so we can write it ourself.

Design Patterns

Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software, a book written by the *Gang of Four* (or GoF) describing 23 common software design patterns.

All good developers have *seen* most of the patterns, and have an understanding of what they do, and what common problems have already been solved.

Don't reinvent the wheel... You'll learn more about patterns in SWEN30006.

Design Patterns

Commonly solved *classes* of problems:

Creational Solutions related to object creation,
e.g. Singleton, Factory Method

Structural Solutions dealing with the structure of
classes and their relationships,
e.g. Adapter, Bridge

Behavioural Solutions dealing with the interaction
among classes,
e.g. Strategy, Template Method, Observer

Review

- 1 Identify where the patterns covered in the lecture can be applied to the project
- 2 Describe the advantages of using design patterns (in general)
- 3 Describe the core components (the analysis) of the patterns covered in the lecture

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