

High-Quality Programming Code

Code Correctness, Readability, Maintainability, Testability,
Refactoring



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High-Quality Programming Code

What is It?

Why Quality is Important?

- What does this code do? Is it correct?

```
static void Main()
{
    int value=010, i=5, w;
    switch(value){case 10:w=5;Console.WriteLine(w);break;case
9:i=0;break;
        case 8:Console.WriteLine("8 ");break;
        default:Console.WriteLine("def ");{
            Console.WriteLine("hoho "); }
        for (int k = 0; k < i; k++, Console.WriteLine(k -
'f')));break;} { Console.WriteLine("loop!"); }
}
```

Why Quality is Important? (2)

- Now the code is formatted, but is still unclear

```
int value = 010, i = 5, w;  
switch (value)  
{  
    case 10: w = 5; Console.WriteLine(w); break;  
    case 9: i = 0; break;  
    case 8: Console.WriteLine("8 "); break;  
    default:  
        Console.WriteLine("def ");  
        Console.WriteLine("hoho ");  
        for (int k = 0; k < i; k++,  
            Console.WriteLine(k - 'f')) ;  
        break;  
}  
Console.WriteLine("loop!");
```

- External quality


- Does the software behave **correctly**?
- Are the produced **results correct**?
- Does the software run **fast**?
- Is the software UI **easy-to-use**?
- Is the code **secure** enough?

- Internal quality

- Is the code **easy** to **read** and understand?
- Is the code **well structured**?
- Is the code **easy** to **modify**?



What is High-Quality Programming Code?

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- High-quality programming code:
 - Easy to **read** and understand
 - Easy to modify and **maintain**
 - Correct **behavior** in all cases
 - Well **tested**
 - Well architected and **designed**
 - Well **documented**
 - Self-documenting code
 - Well **formatted**

What is High-Quality Programming Code? (2)

- High-quality programming code:
 - Strong **cohesion** at all levels: modules, classes, methods, etc.
 - Single **unit** is responsible for single **task**
 - Loose **coupling** between modules, classes, methods, etc.
 - Units are **independent** one of another
 - Good **formatting**
 - Good **names** for classes, methods, variables, etc.
 - **Self-documenting** code style

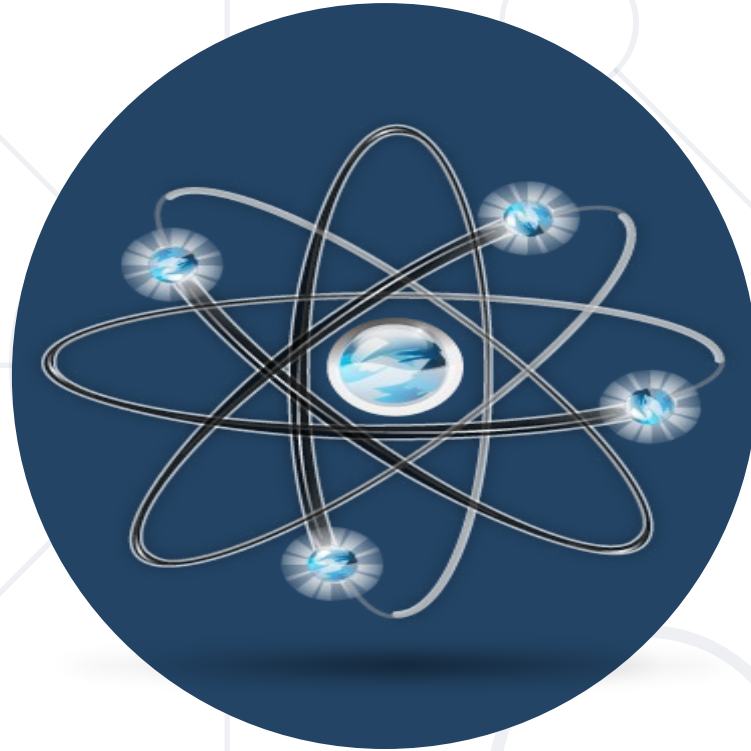


Code Conventions

Code Formatting and Naming Conventions

- Code conventions are formal guidelines about the style of the source code:
 - Code formatting conventions
 - Indentation, whitespace, etc.
 - Naming conventions
 - **PascalCase** or **camelCase**, **prefixes**, **suffixes**, etc.

- Best practices
 - Using C# language features the right way - classes, interfaces, enumerations, structures, inheritance, exceptions, properties, events, constructors, fields, operators, etc.
- Microsoft official C# code conventions
 - Design Guidelines for Developing Class Libraries:
<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms229042.aspx>



Managing Complexity

Maximizing Program Effectiveness

- **Managing complexity** has a central role in software construction
 - Minimize the amount of complexity that anyone's brain has to deal with at certain time
- Architecture and design challenges
 - Design modules and classes to **reduce complexity**
- Code construction challenges
 - Apply **good software construction practices**: classes, methods, variables, naming, statements, error handling, formatting, comments, unit testing, etc.

- Key to being an **effective programmer**:
 - Maximizing the portion of a program that you can safely ignore
 - While working on any one section of code
 - Most practices discussed later propose ways to **achieve** this **important goal**



Code Quality

Key Characteristics

Key Characteristics of High-Quality Code

- **Correct behavior**
 - Conforming to the **requirements**
 - **Stable**, no hangs, no crashes
 - **Bug free** – works as expected
 - Correct **response** to incorrect usage
- **Readable** – easy to read
- **Understandable** – self-documenting
- **Maintainable** – easy to modify when needed

- Good **identifiers** names
 - Good names for variables, constants, methods, parameters, classes, structures, fields, properties, interfaces, structures, enumerations, namespaces,
- High-quality classes, interfaces and class hierarchies
 - Good **abstraction** and **encapsulation**
 - Correct use of **inheritance** and **polymorphism**
 - **Simplicity**, reusability, minimal complexity
 - Strong **cohesion**, loose **coupling**



Examples

Tight Coupling – Example

```
class MathParams {  
    public static double operand;  
    public static double result;  
}  
class MathUtil {  
    public static void Sqrt() {  
        MathParams.result = CalcSqrt(MathParams.operand);  
    }  
}  
MathParams.Operand = 64;  
MathUtil.Sqrt();  
Console.WriteLine(MathParams.result);
```

Loose Coupling – Example

```
class Report {  
    public bool LoadFromFile(string fileName) {...}  
    public bool SaveToFile(string fileName) {...}  
}  
class Printer {  
    public static int Print(Report report) {...}  
}  
class Program {  
    static void Main()  
    {  
        Report myReport = new Report();  
        myReport.LoadFromFile("C:\\\\DailyReport.rep");  
        Printer.Print(myReport);  
    }  
}
```

Bad Abstraction – Example

```
public class Program
{
    public string title;
    public int size;
    public Color color;
    public void InitializeCommandStack();
    public void PushCommand(Command command);
    public Command PopCommand();
    public void ShutdownCommandStack();
    public void InitializeReportFormatting();
    public void FormatReport(Report report);
    public void PrintReport(Report report);
    public void InitializeGlobalData();
    public void ShutdownGlobalData();
}
```

Is this name good?

Does this class really have a single purpose?

Good Abstraction – Example

```
public class Font
{
    public string Name { get; set; }
    public float SizeInPoints { get; set; }
    public FontStyle Style { get; set; }
    public Font(string name, float sizeInPoints, FontStyle style)
    {
        this.Name = name;
        this.SizeInPoints = sizeInPoints;
        this.Style = style;
    }
    public void DrawString(DrawingSurface surface,
        string str, int x, int y) { ... }
    public Size MeasureString(string str) { ... }
}
```

- Base class should **never** know about its children!

```
public class Course
{
    public override string ToString()
    {
        StringBuilder result = new StringBuilder();
        ...
        if (this is ILocalCourse)
            result.Append("Lab = " + ((ILocalCourse)this).Lab);
        if (this is IOffsiteCourse)
            result.Append("Town = " + ((IOffsiteCourse)this).Town);
        return result.ToString();
    }
}
```

Extract the Repeating Code into Class

```
public abstract class Course : ICourse
{
    public string Name { get; set; }
    public ITeacher Teacher { get; set; }
    public override string ToString()
    {
        StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
        sb.Append(this.GetType().Name);
        sb.AppendFormat("(Name={0}", this.Name);
        if (!(this.Teacher == null))
            sb.AppendFormat("; Teacher={0}", this.Teacher.Name);
        return sb.ToString();
    }
} // Continues on the next slide
```


Extract the Repeating Code into Class (2)

```
public class LocalCourse : Course, ILocalCourse
{
    public string Lab { get; set; }
    public override string ToString()
    {
        return base.ToString() + "; Lab=" + this.Lab + ")";
    }
}
public class OffsiteCourse : Course, ILocalCourse
{
    public string Town { get; set; }
    public override string ToString()
    {
        return base.ToString() + "; Town=" + this.Town + ")";
    }
}
```

Missing "This" for Local Members

- Always use **this.XXX** instead of **XXX** to access members within the class:

```
public class Course
{
    public string Name { get; set; }

    public Course(string name)
    {
        Name = name;
    }
}
```

Use **this.Name**

- High-quality methods
 - Reduced complexity, improved readability
 - Good method **names** and parameter names
 - Strong cohesion, loose coupling
- Variables, data, expressions and constants
 - **Minimal** variable **scope**, span, live time
 - Simple **expressions**
 - Correctly used **constants**
 - Correctly organized **data**

- **Functional cohesion** (independent function)
 - Method performs certain well-defined calculation and returns a single result
 - The entire input is passed through parameters and the entire output is returned as result
 - No external dependencies or side effects

```
Math.Sqrt(value) → square root
```

```
char.IsLetterOrDigit(ch)
```

```
string.Substring(str, startIndex, length)
```

Acceptable Types of Cohesion (2)

- **Sequential cohesion** (algorithm)
 - Method performs certain sequence of operations to perform a single task and achieve certain result
 - It encapsulates an algorithm
 - Example:

`SendEmail(recipient, subject, body)`

 - Connect to mail server
 - Send message headers
 - Send message body
 - Disconnect from the server

Acceptable Types of Cohesion (3)

- **Communicational cohesion** (common data)

- A set of operations used to process certain data and produce a result
- Example:

```
DisplayAnnualExpensesReport(int employeeId)
```

- Retrieve input data from database
- Perform internal calculations over retrieved data
- Build the report
- Format the report as Excel worksheet
- Display the Excel worksheet on the screen

Acceptable Types of Cohesion (4)

- **Temporal cohesion** (time related activities)
 - Operations that are generally not related but need to happen in a certain moment
 - Examples:

```
InitializeApplication()
```

- Load user settings
- Check for updates
- Load all invoices from the database

```
ButtonConfirmClick()
```

- Sequence of actions to handle the event

- Logical cohesion
 - Performs a different operation depending on an input parameter

- Incorrect example:

```
object ReadAll(int operationCode)
{
    if (operationCode == 1) ... // Read person name
    else if (operationCode == 2) ... // Read address
    else if (operationCode == 3) ... // Read date
    ...
}
```

- Can be acceptable in event handlers
 - E.g. the **KeyDown** event in Windows Forms)

- Coincidental cohesion (spaghetti)
 - Not related (random) operations grouped in a method for unclear reason
 - Incorrect example:

```
HandleStuff(customerId, int[], ref sqrtValue, mp3FileName, emailAddress)
```

- Prepares annual incomes report for given customer
- Sorts an array of integers in increasing order
- Calculates the square root of given number
- Converts given MP3 file into WMA format
- Sends email to given customer

- What is **loose coupling**?
 - **Minimal dependences** of the method on the other parts of the source code
 - Minimal dependences on the class members or external classes and their members
 - No side effects
 - If the coupling is loose, we can easily reuse a method or group of methods in a new project
- Tight coupling → **spaghetti code**

- The **ideal coupling**
 - A methods depends only on its parameters
 - Does not have any other input or output
 - Example: **Math.Sqrt()**
- Real world
 - Complex software cannot avoid coupling but could make it as loose as possible
 - Example: complex encryption algorithm performs initialization, encryption, finalization

- Intentionally increased coupling for more flexibility (.NET cryptography API):

```
byte[] EncryptAES(byte[] inputData, byte[] secretKey) {  
    Rijndael cryptoAlg = new RijndaelManaged();  
    cryptoAlg.Key = secretKey;  
    cryptoAlg.GenerateIV();  
    MemoryStream destStream = new MemoryStream();  
    CryptoStream csEncryptor = new CryptoStream(  
        destStream, cryptoAlg.CreateEncryptor(),  
        CryptoStreamMode.Write);  
    csEncryptor.Write(inputData, 0, inputData.Length);  
    csEncryptor.FlushFinalBlock();  
    return destStream.ToArray();  
}
```

- To reduce coupling we can make **utility classes**
 - Hide the complex logic and provide simple straightforward interface (a.k.a. **façade**):

```
byte[] EncryptAES(byte[] inputData, byte[] secretKey)
{
    MemoryStream inputStream = new MemoryStream(inputData);
    MemoryStream outputStream = new MemoryStream();
    EncryptionUtils.EncryptAES(
        inputStream, outputStream, secretKey);
    byte[] encryptedData = outputStream.ToArray();
    return encryptedData;
}
```

Tight Coupling – Example

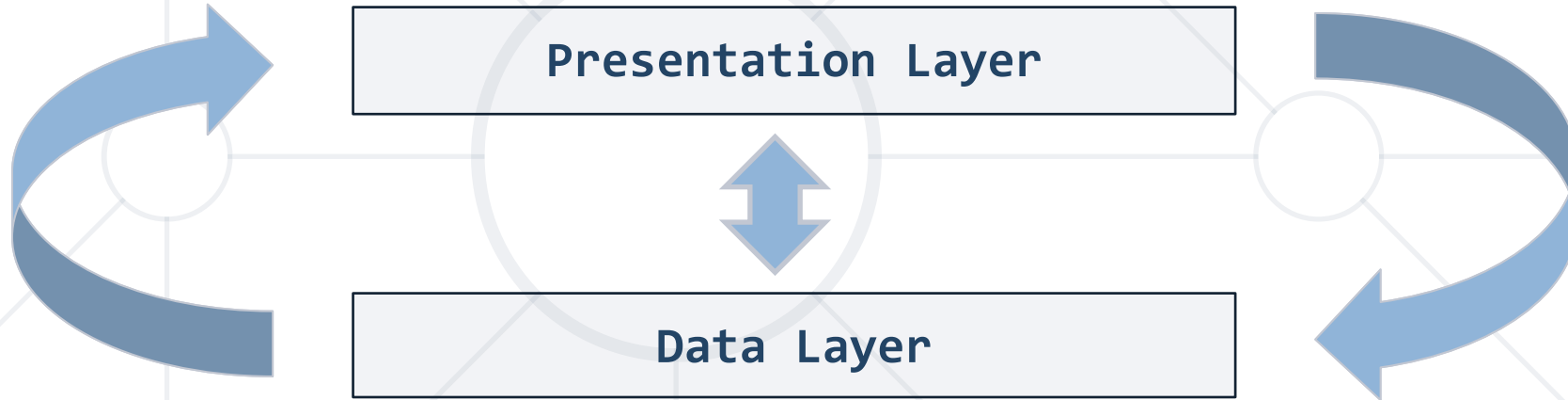
- Passing parameters through class fields
 - Typical example of tight coupling
 - Don't do this unless you have a good reason!

```
class Sumator {  
    public int a, b;  
    int Sum()  
        return a + b;  
    static void Main() {  
        Sumator sumator = new Sumator() { a = 3, b = 5 };  
        Console.WriteLine(sumator.Sum());  
    }  
}
```

- Say, we have a large piece of software
 - We need to update subsystems and the subsystems are not really independent
 - E.g. a change in filtering affects sorting, etc:

```
class GlobalManager
{
    public void UpdateSorting() {...}
    public void UpdateFiltering() {...}
    public void UpdateData() {...}
    public void UpdateAll () {...}
}
```

- Say, we have an application consisting of two layers:



- Do not update top-down and bottom-up from a single method!
 - E.g. **RemoveCustomer()** method in the **DataLayer** changes also the presentation layer
 - Better use a notification (observer pattern / event)

Pass Entire Object or Its Fields?

- When should we pass an object containing few values and when these values separately?
 - Sometime we pass an object and use only a single field of it
 - Is this a good practice?
 - Examples:

```
CalculateSalary(Employee employee, int months);
```

```
CalculateSalary(double rate, int months);
```
 - Look at the method's level of abstraction
 - Is it intended to operate with employees or with rates and months? → the first is incorrect

How Many Parameters a Method Should Have?

- Limit the number of parameters to **7 (+/-2)**
 - 7 is a "magic" number in psychology
 - Human brain cannot process more than 7 (+/-2) things in the same time
- If the parameters need to be too many, reconsider the method's intent
 - Does it have a clear intent?
 - Consider extracting few of the parameters in a new class

- Correctly used **control structures** (if, switch)
 - Simple **statements**
 - Simple **conditional** statements and simple conditions
 - Well organized **loops** without deep nesting
- Good code formatting
 - Reflecting the **logical structure** of the program
 - Good formatting of classes, methods, blocks, whitespace, long lines, alignment, etc.

- How long should a method be?
 - There is no specific restriction
 - Avoid methods longer **than one screen (30 lines)**
 - Long methods are not always bad
 - Be sure you have a good reason for their length
 - **Cohesion** and **coupling** are more important than the method length!
 - Long methods often contain portions that could be extracted as separate methods with good names and clear intent

Key Characteristics of High-Quality Code (5)

- High-quality documentation and comments
 - Effective **comments**
 - **Self-documenting** code
- **Defensive** programming and exceptions
 - Ubiquitous use of defensive programming
 - Well **organized** exception handling
- Code tuning and optimization
 - Quality code instead of good performance
 - Code performance when required

Key Characteristics of High-Quality Code (6)

- Following the corporate code conventions
 - **Formatting** and **style, naming**, etc.
 - Domain-specific best practices
- Well tested and reviewed
 - Testable code
 - Well designed **unit tests**
 - Tests for all scenarios
 - High code coverage
 - Passed code reviews and inspections



Refactoring

What is It?

What is Refactoring?

Refactoring means "to improve the design and quality of existing source code without changing its external behavior".

Martin Fowler

- A step by step process that turns the bad code into good code
 - Based on "refactoring patterns" → well-known recipes for improving the code

- What is **refactoring** of the source code?
 - Improving the design and quality of existing source code without changing its behavior
 - Step by step process that turns the bad code into good code (if possible)
- **Why** we need refactoring?
 - Code constantly changes and its quality constantly degrades (unless refactored)
 - Requirements often change and code needs to be changed to follow them

When to Refactor?

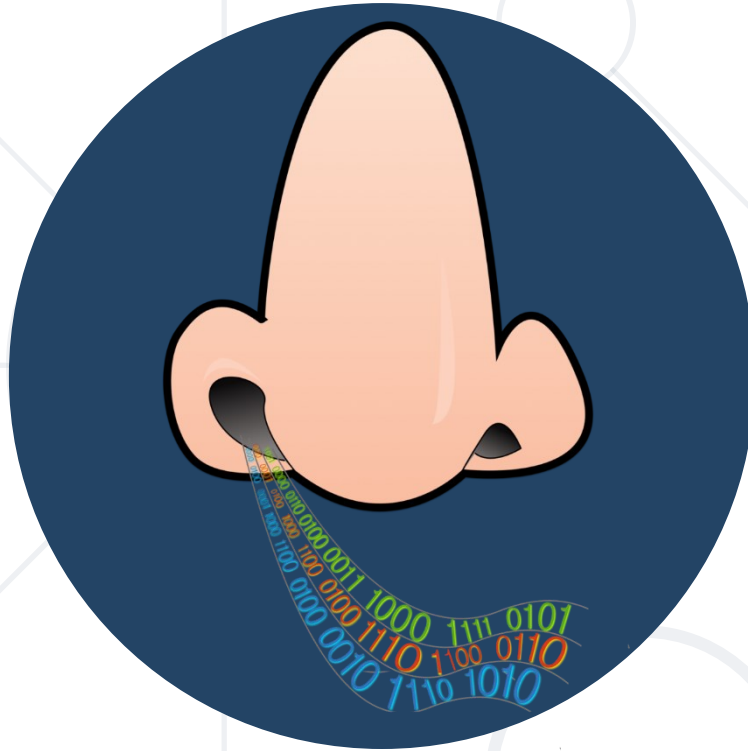
- **Bad smells in the code** indicate need of refactoring
- Refactor:
 - To make adding a new function easier
 - As part of the process of fixing bugs
 - When reviewing someone else's code
 - Have technical debt (or any problematic code)
 - When doing test-driven development
- **Unit tests** guarantee that refactoring does not change the behavior
 - If there are no unit tests, write them

- Keep it simple (**KISS** principle)
- Avoid duplication (**DRY** principle)
- Make it expressive (self-documenting, comments, etc.)
- Reduce overall code (**KISS** principle)
- Separate concerns (decoupling)
- Appropriate level of abstraction (work through abstractions)
- **Boy scout** rule
 - Leave your code better than you found it

Refactoring: the Typical Process

- Save the code you start with
 - Check-in or backup the current code
- Prepare tests to assure the behavior after the code is refactored
 - Unit tests / characterization tests
- Do refactoring one at a time
 - Keep refactoring small
 - Don't underestimate small changes
- Run the tests and they should pass / else revert
- Check-in (into the source control system)

- Keep refactoring small
- One at a time
- Make a checklist
- Make a "later" / TODO list
- Check-in / commit frequently
- Add tests cases
- Review the results
 - Pair programming
- Use tools (Visual Studio + add-ins / Eclipse + plugins / others)



Code Smells

What? How Can Code "Smell"?

- **Code smells** == certain structures in the code that suggest the possibility of refactoring
 - Types of code smells:
 - **The bloaters**
 - **The obfuscators**
 - **Object-oriented abusers**
 - **Change preventers**
 - **Dispensables**
 - **The couplers**
- <https://sourcemaking.com/refactoring/smells>

- **Long method**
 - Small methods are always better (easy naming, understanding, less duplicate code)
- **Large class**
 - Too many instance variables or methods
 - Violating "Single Responsibility" principle
- **Primitive obsession** (overused primitives)
 - Over-use of primitive values, instead of better abstraction
 - Can be extracted in separate class with encapsulated validation

Code Smells: the Bloaters (2)

- **Long parameter list** (**in** / **out** / **ref** parameters)
 - May indicate procedural rather than OO style
 - May be the method is doing too much things
- **Data clumps**
 - A set of data are always used together, but not organized together
 - E.g. credit card fields in the **Order** class
- **Combinatorial explosion**
 - Ex. **ListCars()**, **ListByRegion()**, **ListByManufacturer()**, **ListByManufacturerAndRegion()**, etc.
 - Solution may be the **Interpreter** pattern (LINQ)

- **Oddball solution**
 - A different way of solving a common problem
 - Not using consistency
 - Solution: Substitute algorithm or use an **Adapter**
- **Class doesn't do much**
 - Solution: Merge it with another class or remove it
- **Required setup / teardown code**
 - Requires several lines of code before its use
 - Solution: use parameter object, factory method, **IDisposable**

■ Regions

- The intent of the code is unclear and needs commenting (smell)
- The code is too long to understand (smell)
- Solution: partial class, a new class, organize code

■ Comments

- Should be used to tell **WHY**, not **WHAT** or **HOW**
- Good comments: provide additional information, link to issues, explain an algorithm, explain reasons, give context
- Link: [Funny comments](#)

Code Smells: the Obfuscators (2)

- **Poor / improper names**
 - Should be proper, descriptive and consistent
- **Vertical separation**
 - You should define variables just before first use to avoid scrolling
 - In JS variables are defined at the function start → use small functions
- **Inconsistency**
 - Follow the POLA (Principle of Least Astonishment)
 - Inconsistency is confusing and distracting
- **Obscured intent**
 - Code should be as expressive as possible

- **Switch statement**
 - Can be replaced with polymorphism
- **Temporary field**
 - When passing data between methods
- **Class depends on subclass**
 - The classes cannot be separated (circular dependency)
 - May break the Liskov substitution principle
- **Inappropriate static field**
 - Strong coupling between **static** and callers
 - Static things cannot be replaced or reused

- **Divergent change**

- A class is commonly changed in different ways / different reasons
- Violates SRP (single responsibility principle)
- Solution: extract class

- **Shotgun surgery**

- One change requires changes in many classes
 - Hard to find them, easy to miss some
- Solution: move methods, move fields, reorganize the code

- **Lazy class**

- Classes that don't do enough to justify their existence should be removed
- Every class costs something to be understood and maintained

- **Data class**

- Some classes with only fields and properties
- Missing validation? Class logic split into other classes?
- Solution: move related logic into the class

- **Duplicated code**
 - Violates the DRY principle
 - Result of copy-pasted code
 - Solutions: extract method, extract class, pull-up method, **Template Method** pattern
- **Dead code** (code that is never used)
 - Usually detected by static analysis tools
- **Speculative generality**
 - "Some day we might need this ..."
 - The "YAGNI" principle

- **Feature envy**

- Method that seems more interested in a class other than the one it actually is in
- Keep together things that change together

- **Inappropriate intimacy**

- Classes that know too much about one another
- Smells: inheritance, bidirectional relationships
- Solutions: move method / field, extract class, change bidirectional to unidirectional association, replace inheritance with delegation

- **The Law of Demeter (LoD)**

- A given object should assume as little as possible about the structure or properties of anything else
- Bad e.g.: **customer.Wallet.RemoveMoney()**

- **Indecent exposure**

- Some classes or members are public but shouldn't be
- Violates encapsulation
- Can lead to inappropriate intimacy

Code Smells: the Couplers (3)

- **Message chains**
 - Something.Another.SomeOther.Other.YetAnother
 - Tight coupling between client and the structure of the navigation
- **Middle man**
 - Sometimes delegation goes too far
 - Sometimes we can remove it or inline it
- **Tramp data**
 - Pass data only because something else needs it
 - Solutions: Remove middle-man data, extract class



Refactoring Patterns

Well-Known Recipes for Improving the Code Quality

- **When** should we perform refactoring of the code?
 - **Bad smells** in the code indicate **need of refactoring**
- **Unit tests** guarantee that refactoring preserves the behavior
- Refactoring patterns
 - **Large repeating code** fragments → extract duplicated code in separate method
 - **Large methods** → split them logically
 - **Large loop** body or **deep nesting** → extract method

- **Two classes are tightly coupled** → merge them or redesign them to separate their responsibilities
- **Public non-constant fields** → make them private and define accessing properties
- **Magic numbers in the code** → consider extracting constants
- **Bad named class / method / variable** → rename it
- **Complex boolean condition** → split it to several expressions or method calls

- **Complex expression** → split it into few simple parts
- **A set of constants is used as enumeration** → convert it to enumeration
- **Too complex method logic** → extract several more simple methods or even create a new class
- **Unused** classes, methods, parameters, variables → remove them
- **Large data** is passed by value without a good reason → pass it by reference

- Few classes share **repeating functionality** → extract base class and reuse the common code
- Different classes need to be instantiated depending on configuration setting → use factory
- **Code is not well formatted** → reformat it
- Too many classes in a single namespace → split classes logically into more namespaces
- **Unused using definitions** → remove them
- **Non-descriptive error messages** → improve them
- **Absence of defensive programming** → add it

- To deliver convenient interface from higher level to a **group of subsystems or single complex subsystem**
- Used in many Win32 API based classes to hide Win32 complexity
- <http://www.dofactory.com/net/facade-design-pattern>

- Complex way:

```
speakers.On();  
speakers.SetSurroundSound(true);  
speakers.SetVolume(25/100);  
speakers.SetOptions(SoundOptions.BlueRay);  
environment.DimLights();  
projector.On();  
projector.SetMode(Modes.WideScreen);  
dvd.On();  
dvd.Play(movieName);
```

- Façade:

```
homeTheater.WatchMovie(movieName)
```



Refactoring Levels

- Replace a magic number with a named constant
- Rename a variable with more informative name
- Replace an expression with a method
 - To simplify it or avoid code duplication
- Move an expression inline
- Introduce an intermediate variable
 - Introduce explaining variable
- Convert a multi-use variable to a multiple single-use variables
 - Create separate variable for each usage

Data-Level Refactoring (2)

- Create a local variable for local purposes rather than a parameter
- Convert a data primitive to a class
 - Additional behavior / validation logic (money)
- Convert a set of type codes (constants) to **enum**
- Convert a set of type codes to a class with subclasses with different behavior
- Change an array to an object
 - When you use an array with different types in it
- Encapsulate a collection

- Decompose a boolean expression
- Move a complex boolean expression into a well-named boolean function
- Use **break** or **return** instead of a loop control variable
- Return as soon as you know the answer instead of assigning a return value
- Consolidate duplicated code in conditionals
- Replace conditionals with polymorphism
- Use null-object design pattern instead of checking for **null**

- Extract method / inline method
- Rename a method
- Convert a long routine to a class
- Add / remove parameter
- Combine similar methods by parameterizing them
- Substitute a complex algorithm with simpler
- Separate methods whose behavior depends on parameters passed in (create new ones)
- Pass a whole object rather than specific fields
- Encapsulate downcast / return interface types

- Change a structure to class and vice versa
- Pull members up / push members down the hierarchy
- Extract specialized code into a subclass
- Combine similar code into a superclass
- Collapse hierarchy
- Replace inheritance with delegation
- Replace delegation with inheritance

- Extract interface(s) / keep interface segregation
- Move a method to another class
- Split a class / merge classes / delete a class
- Hide a delegating class
 - **A** calls **B** and **C** when **A** should call **B** and **B** call **C**
- Remove the man in the middle
- Introduce (use) an extension class
 - When you have no access to the original class
 - Alternatively use the **Decorator** pattern

Class Interface Refactoring (2)

- Encapsulate an exposed member variable
 - Always use properties
 - Define proper access to getters and setters
 - Remove setters to read-only data
- Hide data and routines that are not intended to be used outside of the class / hierarchy
 - private -> protected -> internal -> public
- Use strategy to avoid big class hierarchies
- Apply other design patterns to solve common class and class hierarchy problems (**Façade**, **Adapter**, etc.)

- Move class (set of classes) to another namespace / assembly
- Provide a factory method instead of a simple constructor / use fluent API
- Replace error codes with exceptions
- Extract strings to resource files
- Use dependency injection
- Apply architecture patterns

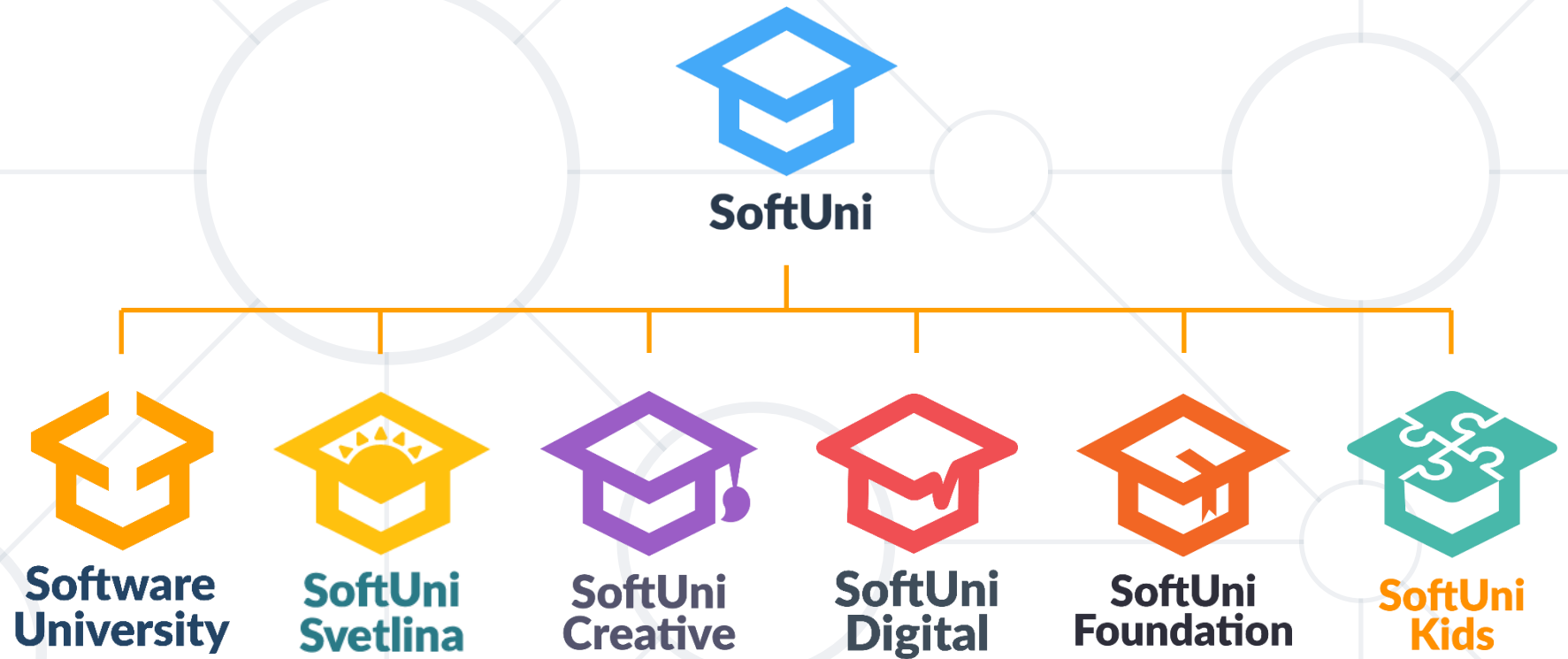
- Software Quality
 - External quality – software works correctly, no bugs and other problems
 - Internal quality – code is well structured, readable and maintainable
- Aspects of Code Quality
 - Quality classes, methods, control statements, loops, etc.
 - Good formatting, comments, strong cohesion and loose coupling
 - Testable code with unit tests



- Refactoring
 - Data-level
 - Statement-level
 - Method-level
 - Class-level
 - System-level
- Refactoring Patterns



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