

Node.js Design Patterns

Reusable, reliable solutions to problems that we face everyday in development.

- well documented
- Improve architecture
- write better code

Design pattern categories:

creational

Abstract Factory
Builder
Factory Method
Prototype
Singleton

structural

Adapter
Bridge
Composite
Facade
Proxy
!

Behavioral

Interpreter
Iterator
Mediator
Observer
Visitor
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creational: Deal with classes instantiation, the creation of object instances in our application.

structural: Deal with the way objects composed or put together.

Behavioral: Defines how objects interact with each other.

Anti-pattern are bad solutions that cause problems.

- modifying the prototype on an instance

person.~~proto~~.address = {};

- call back hell

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Singletons: sometimes you need to make sure that you have one & only one instance of an obj.

Prototype: we have the exact same property in objects, but there are little customization. We can have clone of a master design.

Factory: in js we need different objects to be instantiated. we can improve our code by encapsulate all of the constructors into a single module, and creating a function that will create the objects for us. it will define an interface for creating an obj, but let subclasses decide which class to instantiate. Factory method lets a class defer instantiation to subclasses.

Builder: it will use when you want to customise

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The objects you'll create. This would separate the construction of a complex object from its representation so that the same construction process can create different representations.

Adapter: convert the interface of a class into another client's expect. Adapter lets classes work together that couldn't otherwise! because of incompatible interfaces. for ex: we want to use codes that worked in browser and written with javascript now we wanna use the exact same codes in node.js.

proxy: proxy is an object that controls access to another object. for example ceo is busy so we call to his assistant, here assistant is proxy for ceo. In general instead of using an object that needs a lot of resources we can use a proxy. In addition to managing expensive obj proxies can be use to manage remote resource, provide data validation of input, provide cache data, even log actions.

Composite: composite work with trees. trees are use everywhere like using file systems. compose obj into tree structures to represent part-whole hierarchies. composite lets clients treat individual obj & composition of objects uniformly.



Decorator allows us to dynamically attach properties to our existing objects. Sometimes in our applications we have base objects we need, we can decorate our methods and properties to create many custom variations of the same obj.

chain of responsibility: This design pattern allows us to chain together objects to handle a request, a request is sent to an object to handle it and then that handler could process it and return the result or it could pass the result to next handler.

Commands commands are objects that contain all of the data necessary to execute a specific action on the client.

Iterator: uniform ~~interface~~ ^{interface} to interacting with lists, collections, arrays, or any type of aggregate object. It provides a way to access the elements of an aggregate object sequentially.

observers define one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all its dependents are notified and updated automatically.



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strategy: with strategy pattern you create multiple algorithms for specific task and dynamically decide which algorithm to run on runtime. define a family of algorithms, encapsulate each one, and make them interchangeable.



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