
[CS3704] Software Engineering

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Announcements

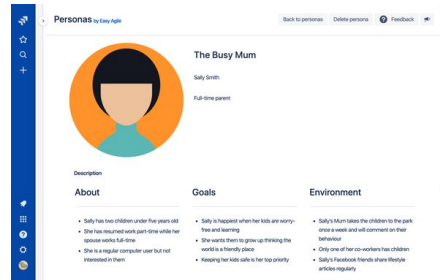
- **PM3 out today (due 11/10)**
- **Discussion Presentation on Design Friday (10/27) in class**
- **Workshop change**
 - **10/20: [Workshop] Course Review**
 - Overview of course content so far
 - Assess knowledge for exam
 - **10/23 (today): Low-level design**

User stories

- Scenarios with explicit acceptance criteria
- Try not to make assumptions
- Definitive, implementable, and specific
- User story is determined to be finished when it meets acceptance criteria.

Writing a User Story

- Written from the point of view of the end user
 - Often on index cards
- Epics: larger user stories
- User personas to describe interactions



- “As a [persona type], *I want to* [action] so *that* [benefit].”

Running Example

From the Course Project Ideas List

- **Standup Bot:** A software bot to automatically schedule standup meetings between teammates.
 - *Scrum master:* Professional to ensure scrum processes for development team

Not a story about a user using your system, example review comment by a user, etc....

Example: Stand-Up Bot

As a Scrum Master, I want to find availability with a list of usernames so that I can schedule team daily stand-ups.

Acceptance criteria:

Given Scrum Master has admin permissions

When Scrum Master types team member usernames

And <User can perform multiple actions here>

Then System finds list of available times between users

Low-Level Design

Design Concepts
Object-Oriented Design
Design Patterns

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, students should be able to:

- **Understand software engineering processes, methods, and tools used in the software development life cycle (SDLC)**
- Use techniques and processes to create and analyze requirements for an application
- **Use techniques and processes to design a software system**
- Identify processes, methods, and tools related to phases of the SDLC
- Explain the differences between software engineering processes
- Discuss research questions and current topics related to software engineering
- Create and communicate about the requirements and design of a software application

Goal: decide the structure of the software and the hardware configurations that support it.

- The *how* of the project
- How individual classes and software components work together in the software system.
 - Programs can have 1000s of classes/methods
- *Software Artifacts:* design documents, class diagrams (i.e. UML)

- The process of making decisions about HOW to implement software solutions to meet requirements.
- Encompasses the set of concepts, principles, and practices that lead to the development of high-quality systems.

Design Practices

- **High-level: Architecture design**
 - Define major components and their relationship
- **Low-level: Detailed design**
 - Decide classes, interfaces, and implementation algorithms for each component

Low-Level Design

- **Goal:** To decompose subsystems into modules
- Two approaches:
 1. Procedural:
 - system is decomposed into functional modules which accept input data and transform it to output data
 - achieves mostly procedural abstractions
 2. Object-oriented
 - system is decomposed into a set of communicating objects
 - achieves both procedural + data abstractions

Software Design Concepts

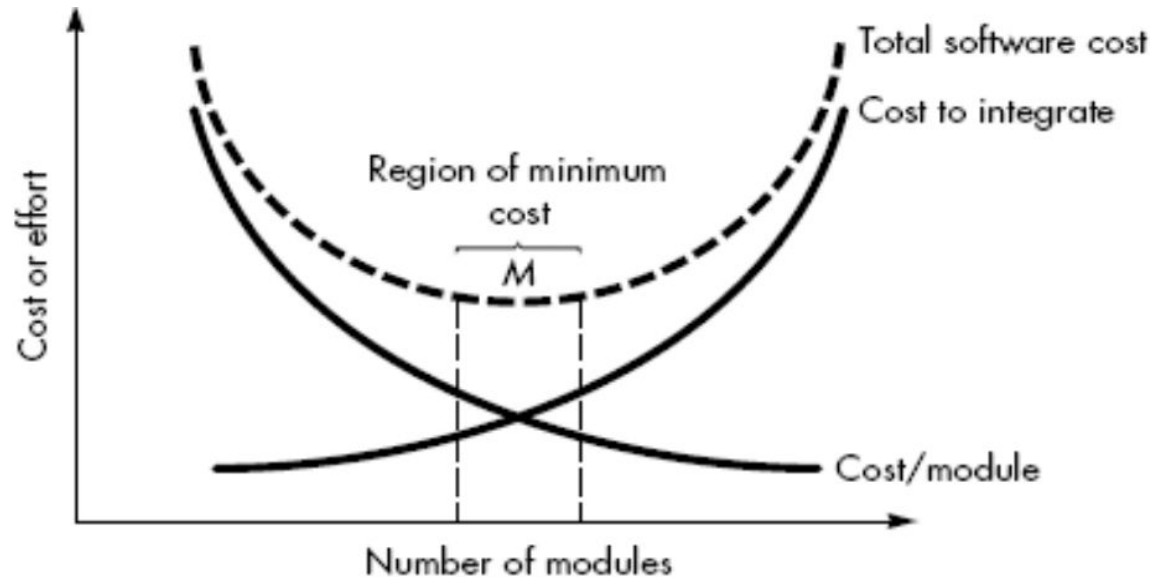
- Modularity
- Cohesion & Coupling
- Information Hiding
- Abstraction & Refinement
- Refactoring

Modularity

- Software is divided into separately named and addressable components, sometimes called modules, that are integrated to satisfy problem requirements.
 - Divide and conquer

Modularity and Software Cost

Very difficult to get the modules in software design right!



Cohesion and Coupling

- Cohesion
 - The degree to which the elements of a module belong together
 - A cohesive module performs a single task requiring little interaction with other modules
- Coupling
 - The degree of interdependence between modules
- **High cohesion and low coupling!**

Information Hiding

- Do not expose internal information of a module unless necessary
 - E.g., private fields, getter & setter methods
 - Object-oriented design (i.e. Java)

Abstraction and Refinement

- **Abstraction:** Focus on important, inherent properties while suppressing unnecessary details to manage complexity and anticipate changes.
 - *Abstraction Reduces Complexity!*
 - Easier to read, maintain code
 - *Abstraction Anticipates Changes!*
 - i.e. polymorphism, ability to create new types, objects, solutions
- **Refinement:** A top-down strategy to reveal low-level details from high-level abstraction as design progresses.
 - Classes & objects
 - Algorithms
 - Data

Refactoring

“...the process of changing a software system in such a way that it does not alter the external behavior of the code [design] yet improves its internal structure” – Martin Fowler

- **Goal:** to make software easier to integrate, test, and maintain.
- *More on this with Maintenance lecture (11/8)!*

S.O.L.I.D. Principles of OOD

- **S** – Single-responsibility principle
- **O** – Open-closed principle
- **L** – Liskov substitution principle
- **I** – Interface segregation principle
- **D** – Dependency Inversion Principle

S.O.L.I.D. Running Example

```
class Circle {  
    public float radius;  
  
    public Circle(float radius) {  
        this.radius = radius;  
    }  
}  
  
class Square {  
    public float length;  
  
    public Square(float length) {  
        this.length = length;  
    }  
}
```

Single-responsibility Principle

- A class should have only one job.
 - Modularity, high cohesion, low coupling
- Ex) Sum up the areas for a list of shapes

```
class AreaCalculator {  
    protected List<Object> shapes;  
    public AreaCalculator (List<Object> shapes) {  
        this.shapes = shapes;  
    }  
    public float sumArea() {  
        // logic to sum up area of each shape  
    }  
}
```

Open-closed Principle

- Objects or entities should be open for extension, but closed for modification.
- Ex) Add a new kind of shape, i.e. Triangle

```
interface Shape {  
    public float area();  
}  
class Triangle implements Shape { ... }  
...  
class AreaCalculator {  
    protected List<Shape> shapes;  
    public float sumArea() {  
        float sum = 0;  
        for (Shape s : shapes) {    sum += s.area(); }  
        ...  
    } ...  
}
```

Liskov Substitution Principle

- Let $q(x)$ be a property provable about objects of x of type T . Then $q(y)$ should be provable for objects y of type S where S is a subtype of T .
- Every subclass/derived class should be substitutable for their base/parent class.

```
class Triangle implements Shape {  
    ...  
    public float area () { return -1;}  
}
```



Interface Segregation Principle

- A client should never be forced to implement an interface that it doesn't use or clients shouldn't be forced to depend on methods they do not use.

```
interface Shape{  
    ...  
    public int numEdges();  
}
```



- Circle?

Dependency Inversion Principle

- Entities must depend on abstractions not on concretions. It states that the high level module must not depend on the low level module, but they should depend on abstractions.

```
class AreaCalculator{  
    protected float radius;  
    protected float length;  
    public AreaCalculator(...,  
        float param) {  
        ...  
        if (...//is a square)  
            this.length = param;  
        else // is a circle  
            this.radius = param;  
    }  
}
```

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Design Patterns (i.e. Low-Level Design)

Design patterns are descriptions of *communicating objects and classes* that are customized to solve a **general** design problem in a particular context.

The design pattern identifies the participating **classes and instances**, their **roles and collaborations**, and the distribution of **responsibilities**.

Design Patterns (cont.)

Why design patterns?

- Apply working solutions to approaches
- Based on the implementations of many systems
- Capture and pass on the knowledge of experienced designers
 - Useful for inexperienced
 - Communicating about design

Gang of Four

Design Patterns

Elements of Reusable
Object-Oriented Software

Erich Gamma
Richard Helm
Ralph Johnson
John Vlissides



Foreword by Grady Booch



Design Patterns (cont.)

“Each 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 doing it the same way twice.” [Alexander]

Design Pattern Families

Creational

Concerned with the process of object creation

- Increases flexibility and reuse of code

Structural

Deal with the composition of classes or objects

- Organizing different classes and modules to form larger structures or add new functionality

Behavioral

Characterize the ways in which classes or objects interact and distribute responsibility

- Algorithms and assignment of responsibilities between objects

Creation Patterns

- **Abstract Factory:** Creates an instance of several families of classes
- **Builder:** Separates object construction from its representation
- **Factory Method:** Creates an instance of several derived classes
- **Object Pool:** Avoid expensive acquisition and release of resources by recycling objects that are no longer in use
- **Prototype:** A fully initialized instance to be copied or cloned
- **Singleton:** A class of which only a single instance can exist

Structural Patterns

- **Adapter:** Match interfaces of different classes
- **Bridge:** Separates an object's interface from its implementation
- **Composite:** A tree structure of simple and composite objects
- **Decorator:** Add responsibilities to objects dynamically
- **Facade:** A single class that represents an entire subsystem
- **Flyweight:** A fine-grained instance used for efficient sharing
- **Private Class Data:** Restricts accessor/mutator access
- **Proxy:** An object representing another object

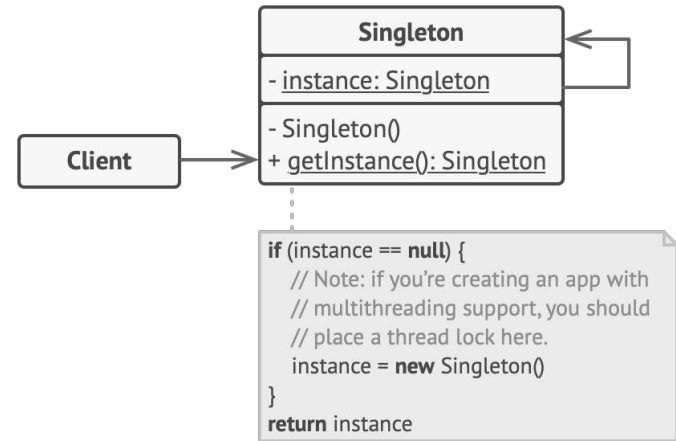
Behavioral Patterns

- **Chain of responsibility:** A way of passing a request between a chain of objects
- **Command:** Encapsulate a command request as an object
- **Interpreter:** A way to include language elements in a program
- **Iterator:** Sequentially access the elements of a collection
- **Mediator:** Defines simplified communication between classes
- **Memento:** Capture and restore an object's internal state
- **Null Object:** Designed to act as a default value of an object
- **Observer:** A way of notifying change to a number of classes
- **State:** Alter an object's behavior when its state changes
- **Strategy:** Encapsulates an algorithm inside a class
- **Template method:** Defer the exact steps of an algorithm to a subclass
- **Visitor:** Defines a new operation to a class without change

Creation: Singleton

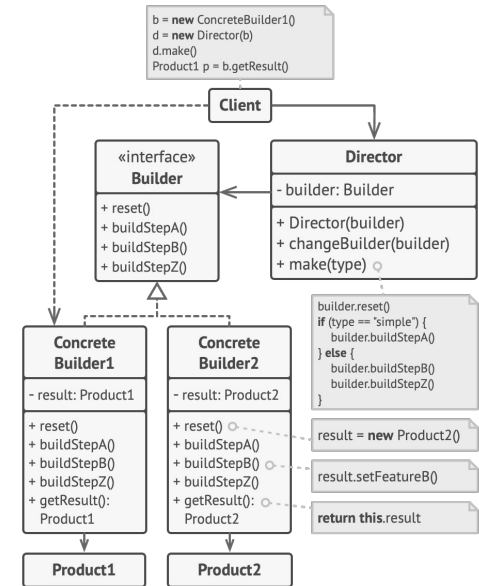
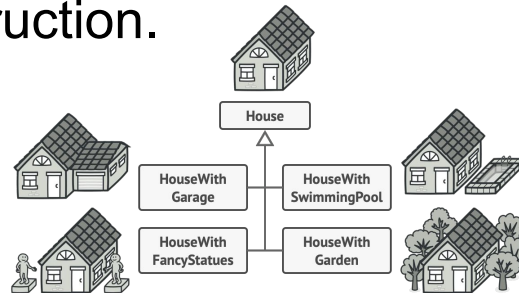


- Ensure a class only has one instance and provide a global point of access to it.
- Use when your program should have one instance available to all clients or stricter control over global variables.
 - i.e. single database shared in different parts of the program



Creation: Builder

- Separates object construction from its representation, allows the production of different types of objects using same code.
- Use when you need to construct objects step by step, create different representations of the same product, or defer construction.



Factory vs. Abstract Factory

Factory: create one object through inheritance.

```
class A {
    public void doSomething() {
        Foo f = makeFoo();
        f.whatever();
    }

    protected Foo makeFoo() {
        return new RegularFoo();
    }
}

class B extends A {
    protected Foo makeFoo() {
        //subclass is overriding the factory method
        //to return something different
        return new SpecialFoo();
    }
}
```

Abstract factory: create families of objects with abstraction.

- **Abstraction:** Reduce complexity by suppressing unnecessary details.

```
class A {
    private Factory factory;

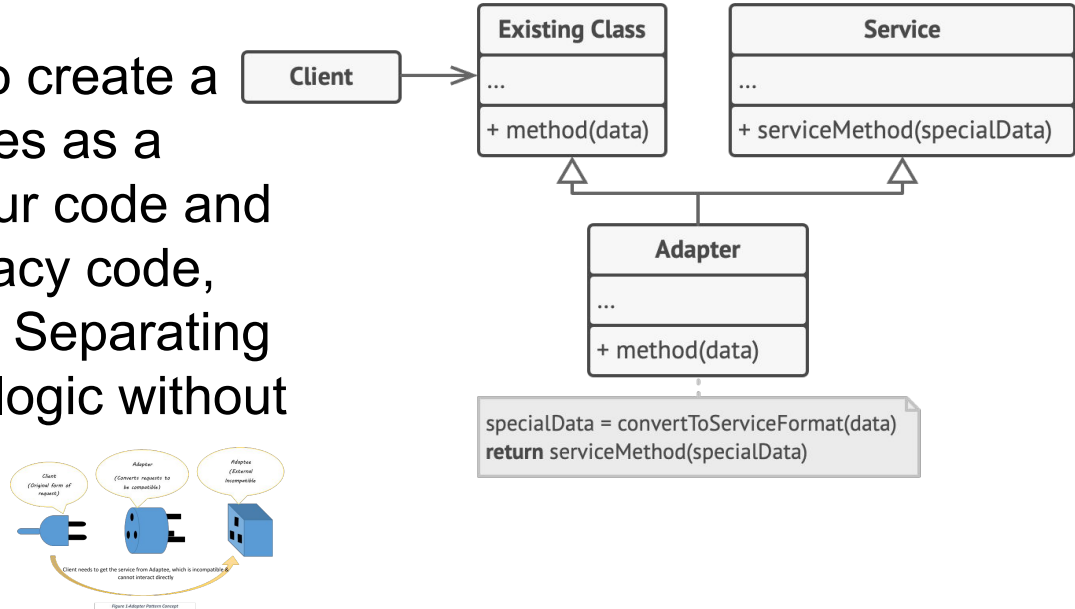
    public A(Factory factory) {
        this.factory = factory;
    }

    public void doSomething() {
        //The concrete class of "f" depends on the concrete class
        //of the factory passed into the constructor. If you provide a
        //different factory, you get a different Foo object.
        Foo f = factory.makeFoo();
        f.whatever();
    }
}

interface Factory {
    Foo makeFoo();
    Bar makeBar();
    Aycufcn makeAmbiguousYetCommonlyUsedFakeClassName();
}
```

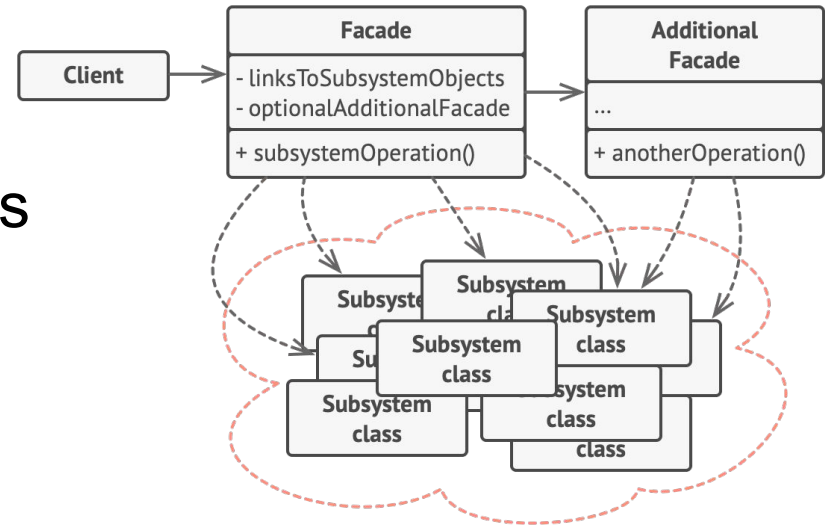
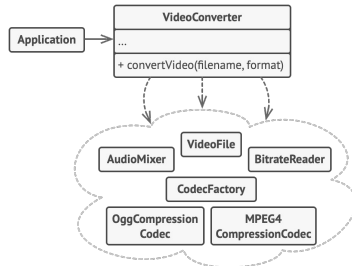
Structural: Adapter

- Allows objects with incompatible interfaces to collaborate.
- Use when you need to create a middle-layer that serves as a translator between your code and another class (i.e. legacy code, 3rd-party library, etc.). Separating data conversion from logic without breaking client code.



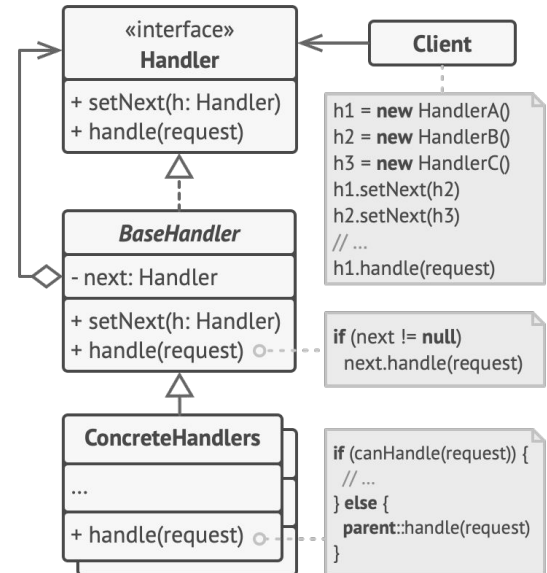
Structural: Facade

- Provides a simplified interface to represent an entire library, framework, or subset of classes.
- Hides system complexity system, client only interacts with facade.



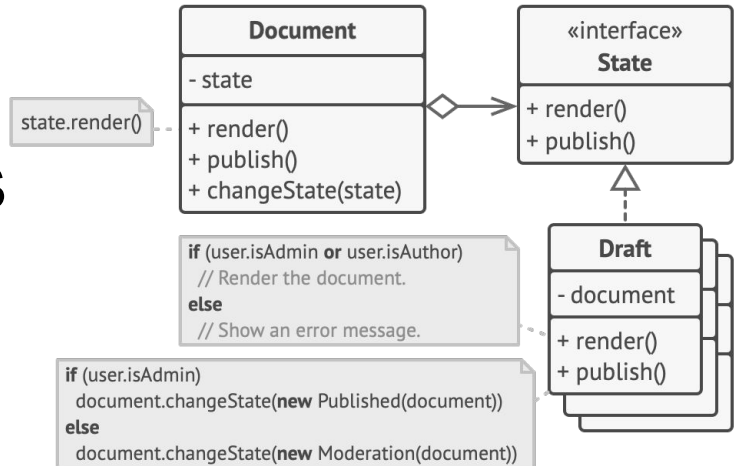
Behavioral: Chain of Responsibility

- Requests are passed through a chain of handlers, each handler decides on processing or passing.
- Useful if different types of requests are handled in various ways, unknown sequences or particular order.



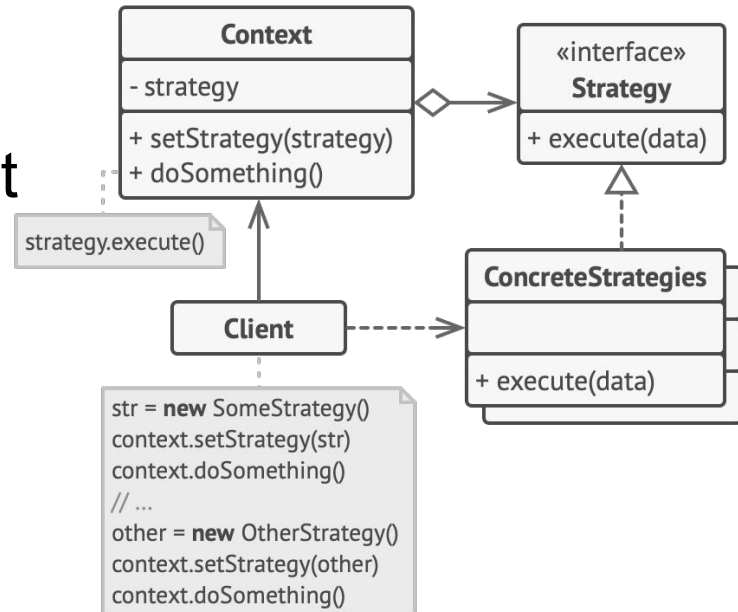
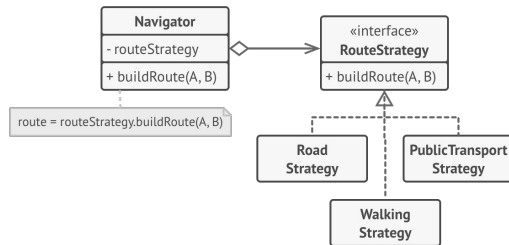
Behavioral: State

- Allows objects to alter their behavior when the internal state changes.
- Use if program behaves differently depending on the current state. Avoids massive conditionals in your code.
 - i.e. mobile development



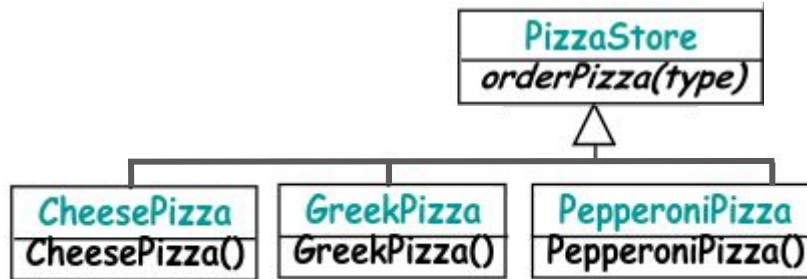
Behavioral: Strategy

- Separate algorithms into interchangeable classes.
- Use when you want different variants of an algorithm or a lot of similar classes that differ in execution behavior.



Design Patterns to Code

Creating software for a Pizza Store 🍕

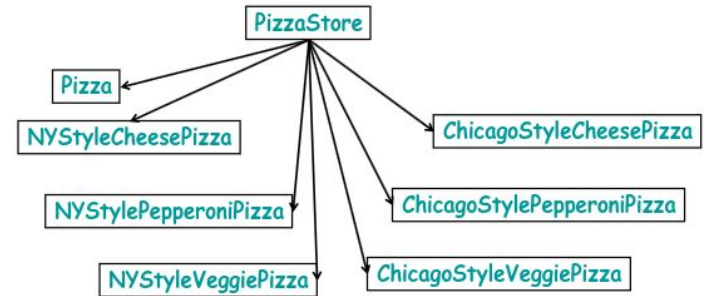


Discuss: What is wrong with this design?

Design Patterns to Code (cont.)

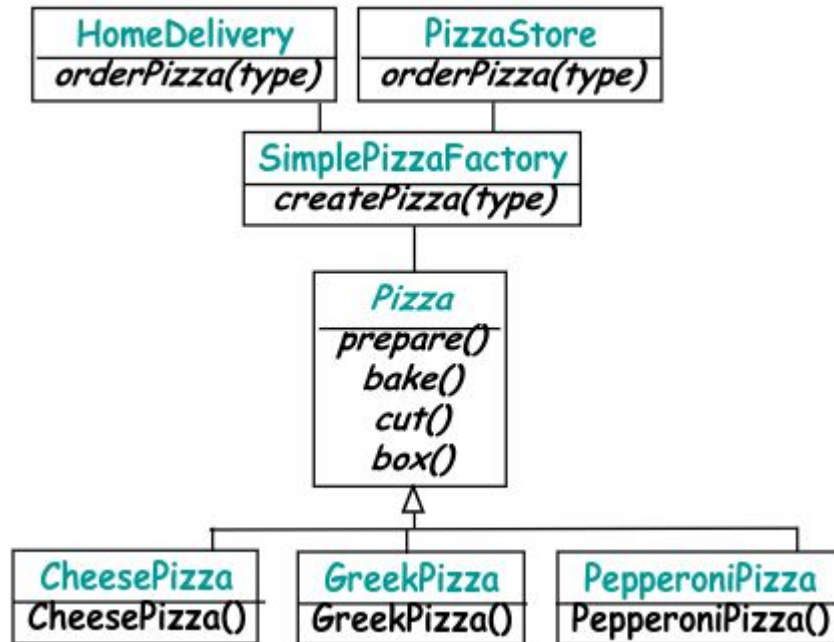
Problems...

- Client (PizzaStore) invokes different pizza constructors among other responsibilities
- New pizza types may be added
 - Clam, Veggie, etc.
- New order types may be added
 - In Store, Delivery, etc.
- Original pizza types may be removed
 - Greek, etc.
- Different styles of pizza
 - Chicago, NY, Stuffed crust, etc.
- ...



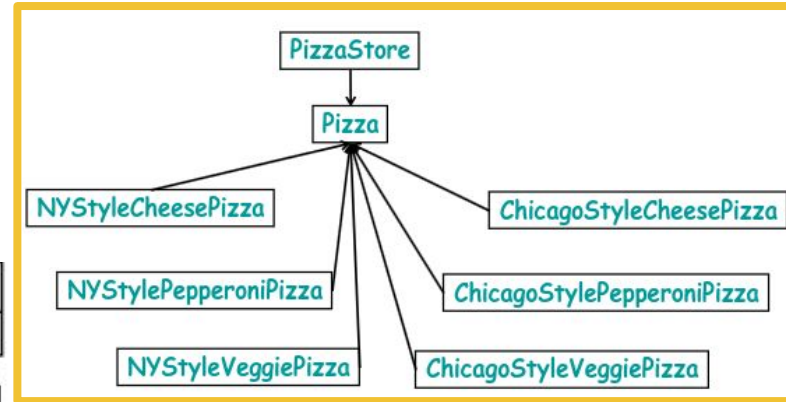
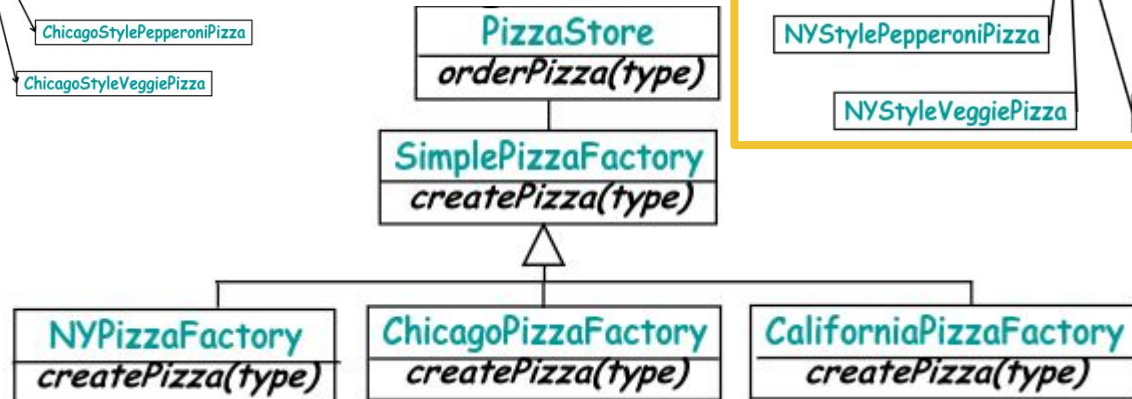
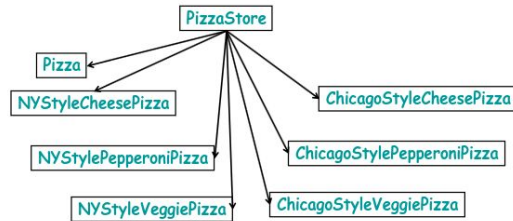
Solution: Factory (Pizza Type)

- Encapsulate object creation

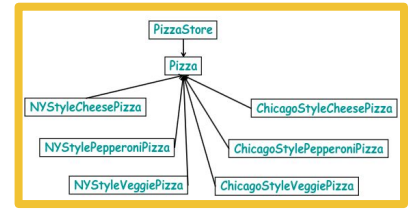


What about adding Pizza Styles?

Factory can also support additional extensions.



Design Principles



Single-Responsibility: PizzaStore responsibilities reduced

Open-Closed: PizzaFactory open for new types/styles/etc., PizzaStore closed

Dependency Inversion Principle:

- Depend upon abstractions instead of concretizations.
- Use the pattern when:
 - A class cannot anticipate the class of objects it will create
 - A class wants its subclasses to specify the objects to create

Design Disclaimer

- No silver bullet for choosing design patterns.
 - For example, would the Builder pattern work for PizzaStore?
 - Yes

```
/** "Abstract Builder" */  
abstract class PizzaBuilder {  
    protected Pizza pizza;  
    public Pizza getPizza() {  
        return pizza; }  
    public void createNewPizzaProduct() {  
        pizza = new Pizza(); }  
    public abstract void buildDough();  
    public abstract void buildSauce();  
    public abstract void buildTopping();  
}
```

Next Time...

- Continuing with Low-Level Design
- **Design Discussion Presentations Friday (10/27) in class**

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