

Session 6

Software Design Patterns



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Objectives

- Implementation pattern and **excellence in programming**
Communication, simplicity and flexibility
- Other categories of **software design patterns**
 - Concurrency patterns for synchronisation, communication, etc.
 - Architectural patterns in relation with enterprise solutions
 - Green patterns for sustainable development



Implementation Pattern

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- One should aim for **excellence in programming**

*Best program offers best extension option,
has no unrelated elements and is easy to understand*

- **Three values** that are important to strive to excellence
 - **Communication:** read can understand, modify and use
 - **Simplicity:** no unnecessary complexity for the program
 - **Flexibility:** allows for easy evolution and changes

Principle (1)

- Structure the code to ensure **local consequences**
A change “here” can not result in a problem “there”
- **Minimise repetitions** of code, structure, algorithm, etc.
Duplication, parallel class hierarchies, similar code
- Keep together **data and the logic** manipulating them
Following the object oriented programming paradigm

Principle (2)

- Make explicit **symmetry** at different levels

The presence of an add should suggest a remove

- Express intentions as **declaratively** as possible

Use annotations in imperative programming

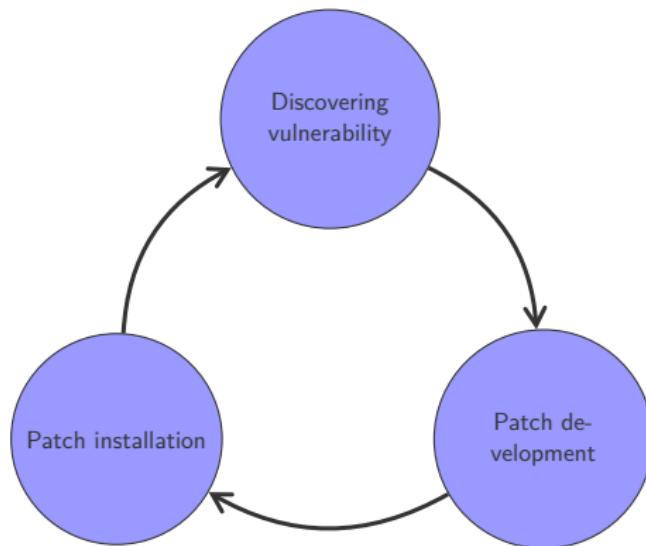
- Gather code and data by **change rate**

Allows changes to the same place at the same time

Security Aspect

- Software development **vulnerability cycle**

Important to take security into account in the development cycle



Security versus Usability

- Never possible to achieve high security and high usability

Two opposites software quality criteria

- Important to choose the **right compromise**

- Depending on a risk analysis on the system
- Depending on the category of targeted users

- It is not always necessary to look for a **trade-off**

Security by design taking into account UX aspects

KISS

- **Keep it Simple, Stupid**

Avoid making problems more complicated

- Guiding principle in software engineering

Avoid over-engineering, favour pragmatic solutions

“Many great problem solvers were not great coders, but yet they produced great code!”

Some Citations

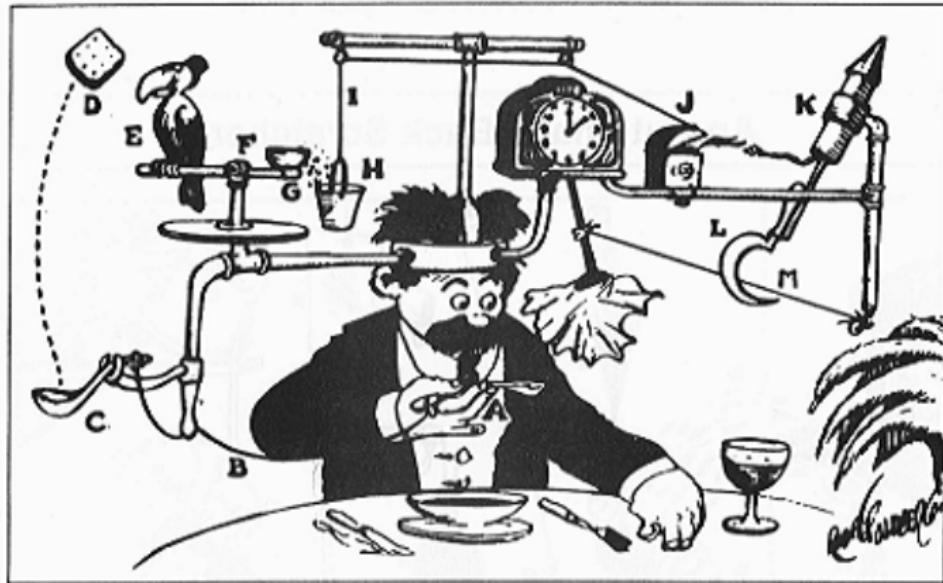
"Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication" — Leonardo Da Vinci

"Everything should be made as simple as possible, but no simpler" — Albert Einstein

"Perfection is achieved not when there is nothing more to add, but when there is nothing left to take away" — Antoine de Saint Exupéry

Rube Goldberg Machine

Self-Operating Napkin



Other Pattern

- **Concurrency** patterns

Patterns used with multithreaded programming

(Double-checking locking, Lock, Monitor, Thread pool, etc.)

- **Architectural** patterns

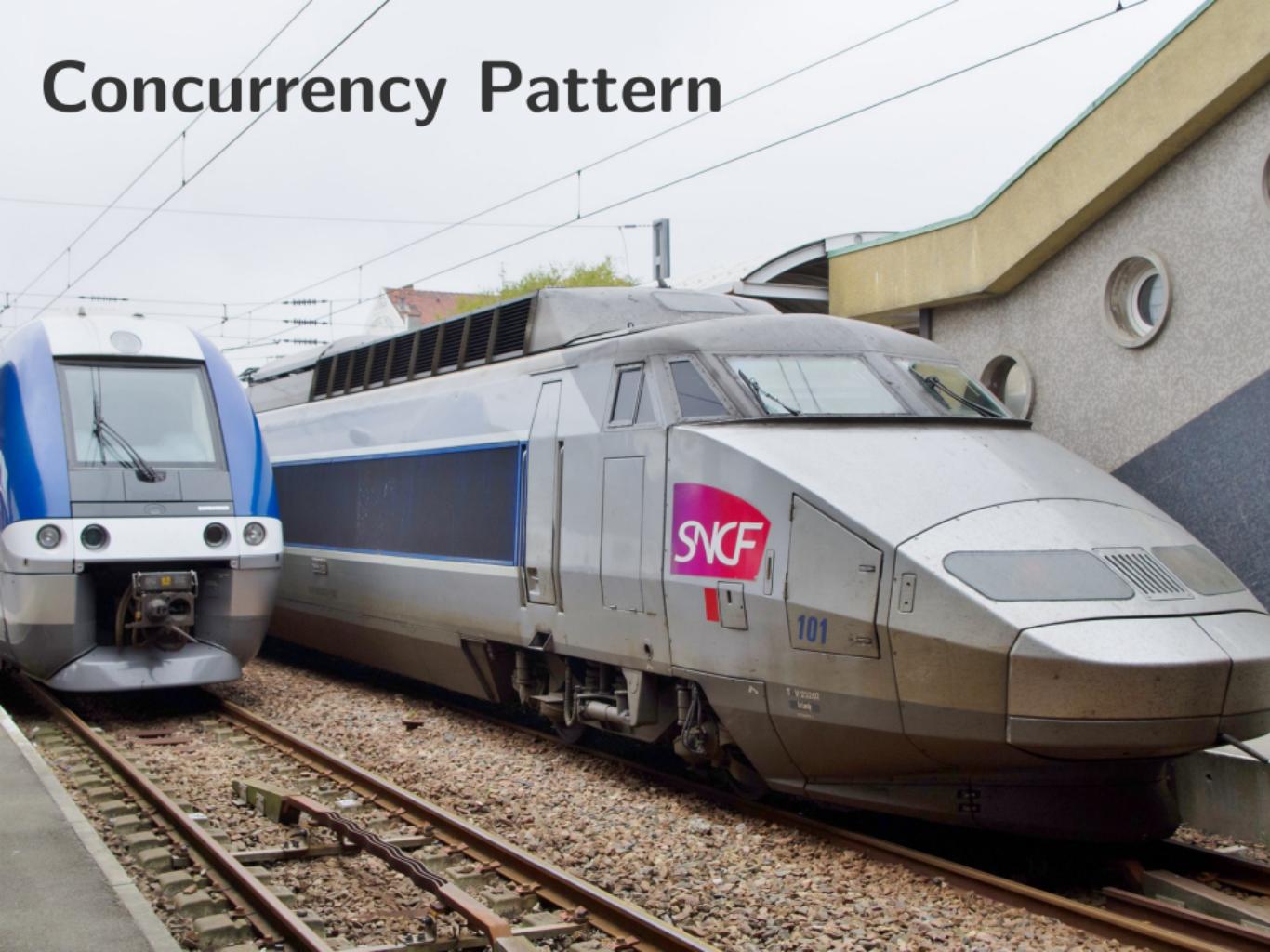
Patterns with wider scope than design patterns

(Interceptor, MVC, n-tier, Active record, etc.)

- Patterns specific to **programming languages**

Depend on the programming paradigm specific to the language

Concurrency Pattern



Concurrency Pattern

- Patterns applicable for writing **concurrent programs**
Synchronisation, communication, data storage, cache, etc.
- **Several examples** covering different aspects
 - **Messaging Design Pattern (MDP)**
Message exchange between components
 - **Read-write lock**
Concurrent read access and exclusive write access
 - **Thread pool**
Set of threads to execute a set of tasks

Data Access Pattern

- Patterns to control/regulate **access to data**

Concurrent access, efficient storage, resources management, etc.

- **Several examples** covering different aspects

- **Update Factory**

Automatic update with an ORM framework

- **Optimistic/Pessimistic Lock**

Lock regulating concurrent access to data

- **Cache Accessor**

Data access through a cache

Architectural Pattern



Enterprise Pattern

- Patterns used in **enterprise frameworks** like J2EE or .NET

Problems similar to all users with similar solution

- **Several examples** covering different aspects

- **Business Delegate**

Access to business data thanks to presentation-tier client

- **Service Activator**

Activating or not a service asynchronously

- **Composite View**

Unified presentation of information from several sources



Green Pattern

Green Pattern (1)

- Make software development more **sustainable**
Software eco-design and set of good practices
- The IT sector represents $\sim 2\%$ of CO_2 emissions
As much as the field of aviation
- “*Software is getting slower more rapidly than hardware becomes faster*” (Wirth’s law)

<https://www greencodelab fr>

Green Pattern (2)

- Good practices for social and environmental impact
 - Avoid obsolescence
 - Reduce consumption (performance, storage, etc.)
 - Limit exclusions
- Do we really need to...
 - ...know the precise number of results of a search?
 - ...leave all its tabs always loaded in a browser?
 - ...transfer lots of small images from a server to a client?



Other Patterns

Real-Time Pattern

- Development of **real-time or embedded** application

Concurrency, memory, resource, distribution, security, safety, etc.

- **Several examples** covering different aspects

- **Rendezvous Pattern**

Synchronising a set of threads

- **Data Bus Pattern**

Communication between components that ignore each other

- **Watchdog Pattern**

Automatic failure identification and correction

Reactive Design Pattern

- Patterns for **distributed systems** driven by messages

Resilient, responsive and elastic system

- **Several examples** covering different aspects

- **Let-it-crash Pattern**

Let a service crash and restart

- **Active-Passive Replication Pattern**

Data replication management

- **Request-Response Pattern**

Message exchange between components

User-Interface Pattern

- Recurring user interface **design issues**

Request inputs, display data, navigation, social, etc.

- **Several examples** covering different aspects

- **Morphing Controls Pattern**

Only show the available controls according to the mode

- **Slideshow Pattern**

Displaying a media collection as a sequence of images

- **Accordion Menu Pattern**

Navigation in the sections by jumping on subsections

Cloud Design Pattern

- Solving big challenges in cloud computing

Availability, data management, resilience, performance, etc.

- Several examples covering different aspects

- **Bulkhead Pattern**

Isolate elements in pools, to survive failures

- **CQRS Pattern**

Separation of operations that read and write data

- **Retry Pattern**

Transparent recall of a service that failed

Many Other Patterns

- Responsive web design pattern

*[https://developers.google.com/web/fundamentals/
design-and-ux/responsive/patterns](https://developers.google.com/web/fundamentals/design-and-ux/responsive/patterns)*

- Patterns by programming languages

JavaScript, PHP, etc.

- Patterns specific to programming paradigms

Functional programming, object oriented programming, etc.

- Game Programming Patterns

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