Design patterns

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You guys always act like you're better than me!
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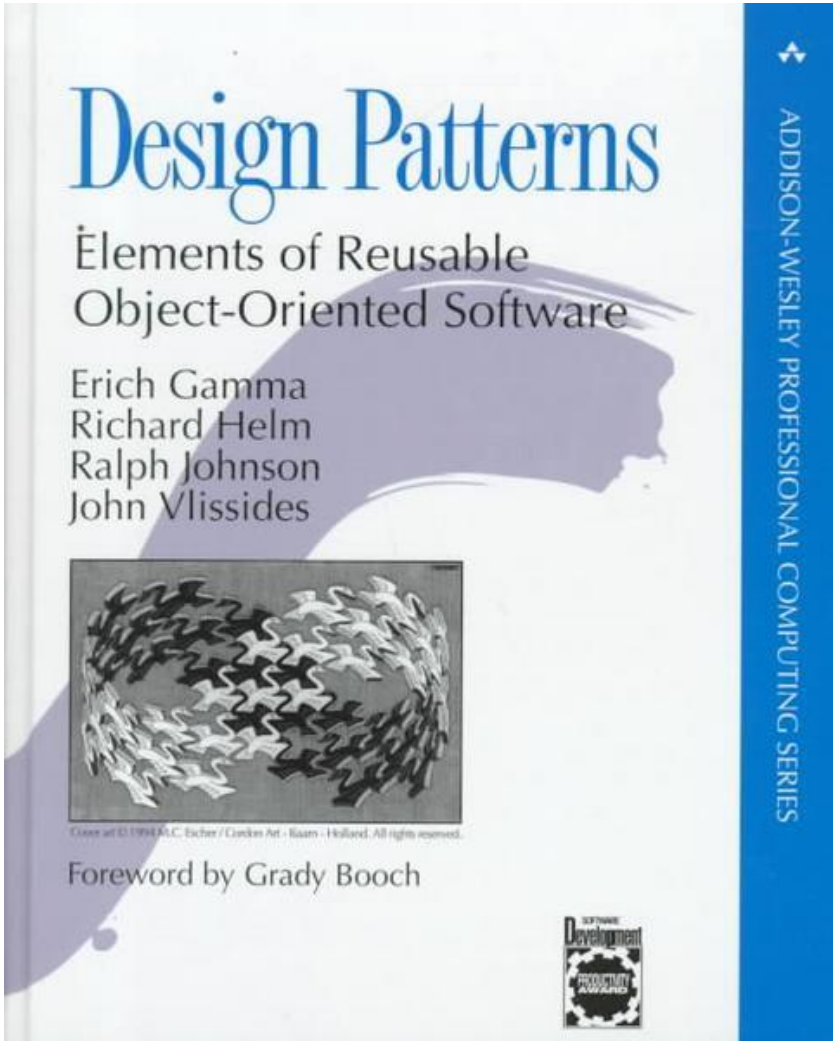

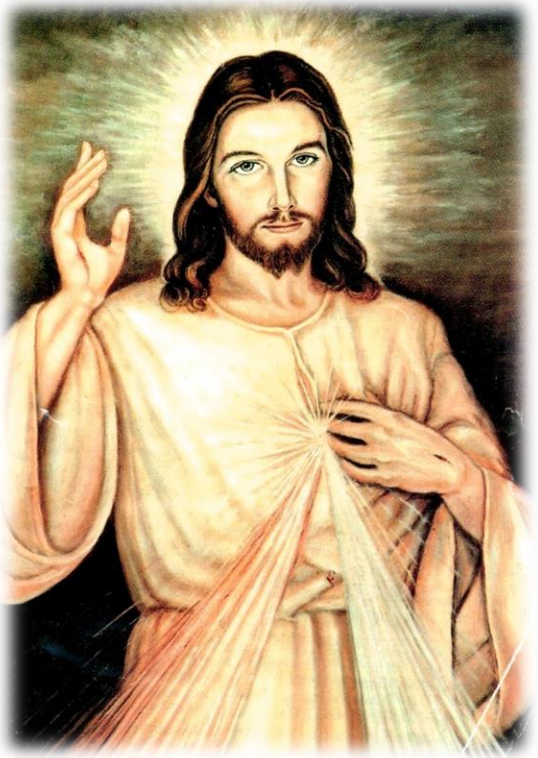

The Gang of Four

Elements of reusable Object Oriented Software

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of reusable

Object Oriented

Software

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Elements

› Simple, basic parts of

of reusable

› We did mistake, we learned from them

Object Oriented

› Years of mistakes

Software

› ….

As simple as that

Your parents, granparents, teachers, ancestors faced problems

They found solutions

- ..smart solutions…

This is their (our) legacy

- Hundreds of know problems, with known solutions
- All of them build upon basic principles
- Sync/vs async, de-coupling, SOLID, etc

Ok, let's be clear

What design patter can give you

- A common, known vocabulary
- Solve complex problems way ahead of time
- Provide solid ground to motivate your design choices

What they cannot give you

- Exact solution: each problem/project is unique
- Full-fledged solution for every design/programming problem

But they can save you a lot of headaches!

The typical structure

1. Purpose
2. Motivation (why the hell should I do so?)
3. Applicability (where it applies, and where it doesn't)

=> What to do

(Personal note: even if you don't know why…use them!)

A full set of example/code snippets to implement it

› With known examples

› With related patterns (everything is part of a bigger picture!)

The bad news

› I will only teach you 3-4 four of them

› Advanced (…?) courses can give you a full

› BUY-THE-***-BOOK/COURSES

(Incomplete) taxonomy of design patterns

Creational

- **Factory**
- **Singleton**
- Builder
- Prototype

Structural

- **Adapter**
- Bridge
- Composite
- Façade
- Proxy
- Decorator
- FlyWeight

Behavioral

- Chain of Responsibility
- *Command*
- *Iterator*
- Interpreter
- *Mediator*
- Memento
- Observer
- State
- Strategy
- Template Method
- *Visitor*

Singleton

The singleton pattern

Purpose

› Make sure that there is only one instance (object) of a class active in the whole system

Motivation

› You might need to abstract single resources (e.g., printing queues, DBMS, …)

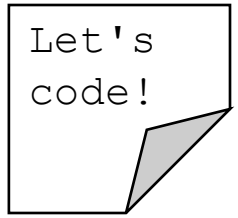
› The class itself shall be responsible to instantiate the singleton

› No other instance (i.e., object of the same class) shall exist

Applicability

› When you need a single point of access to an instance of a class

Singleton pattern



- I won't give you any practical example
- Just, make sure it is possible to instantiate only only one object of any class

What are the challenges?

- Hint: think of multi-thread programs
- What "entity" does this model?
- Which data structures would you need to support this paradigm?

Factory

Adapter

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