



Structural Patterns

Bridge

Flyweight

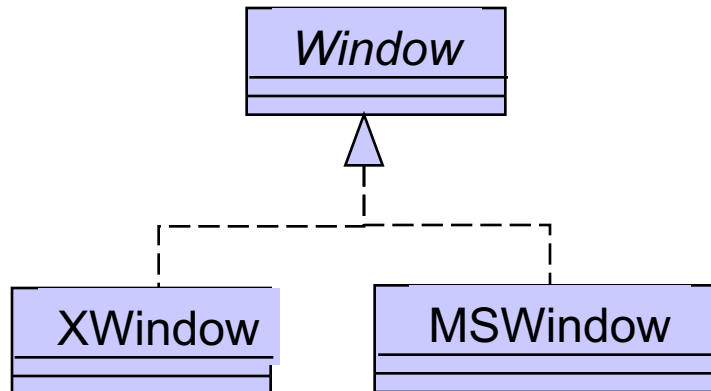


Bridge

- Intent
 - Decouple an abstraction from its implementation so that they can vary independently
- Employs 2 design guidelines
 - "Find what varies and encapsulate it"
 - "Favor aggregation over class inheritance"
- Abstraction and implementation can be changed independently
 - If you use inheritance, only implementation can change

Example

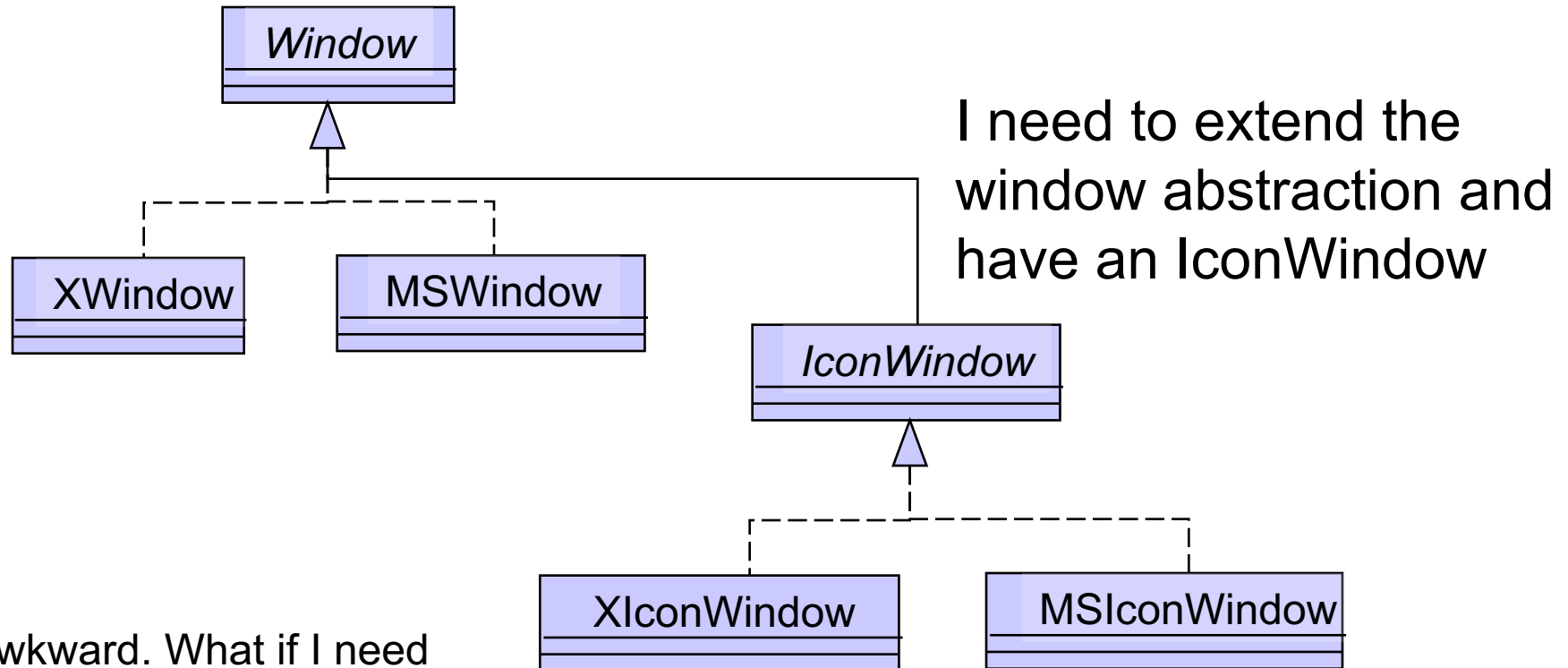
- When abstraction is bound to its implementation with inheritance



I need to extend the window abstraction and have an IconWindow

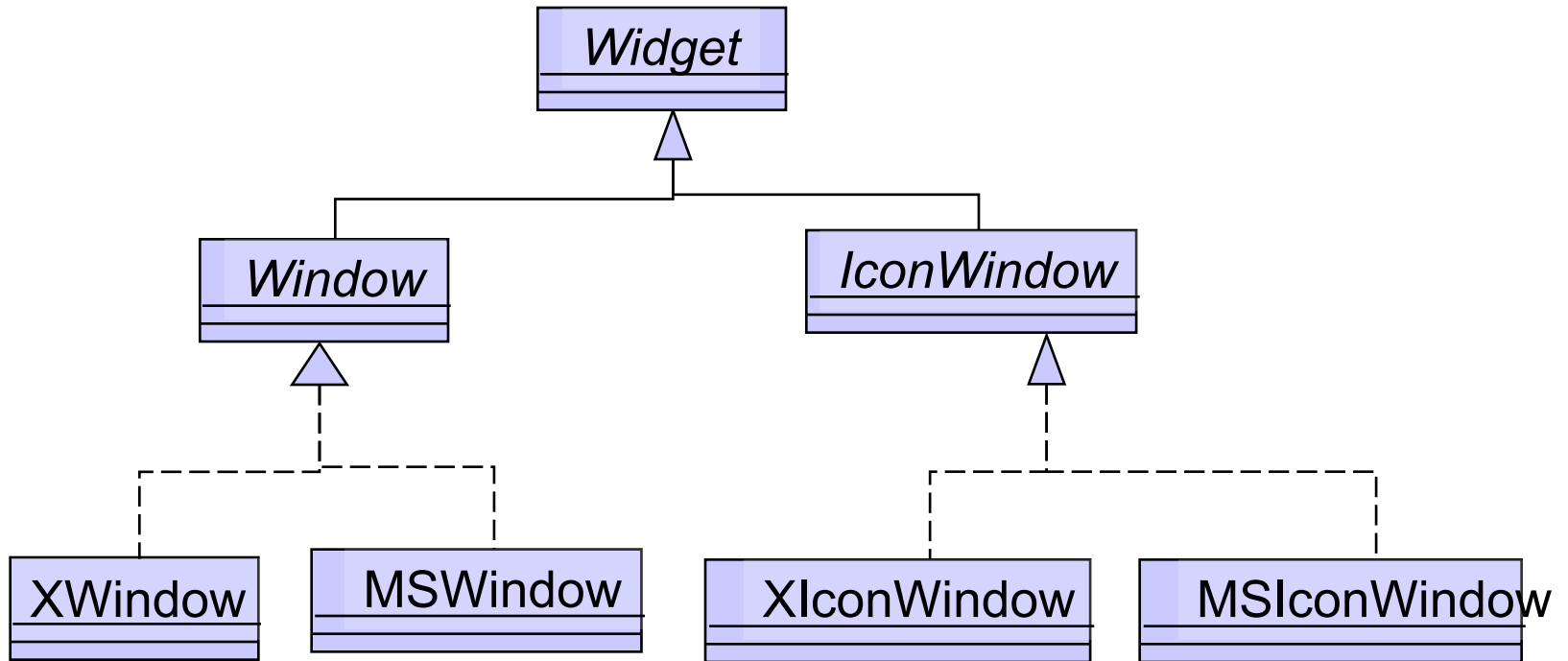
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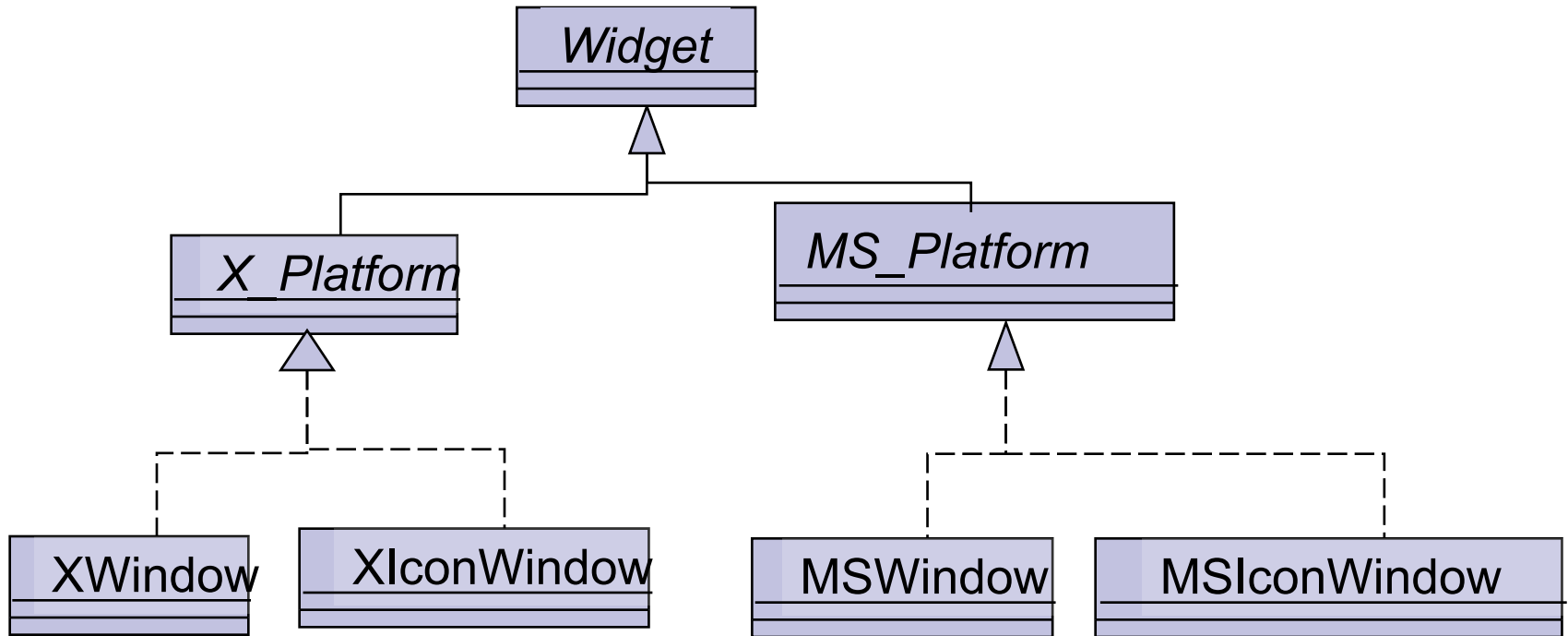
Awkward. What if I need another type of window?

Alternative 1



Still not good. Problem is more visible

Alternative 2



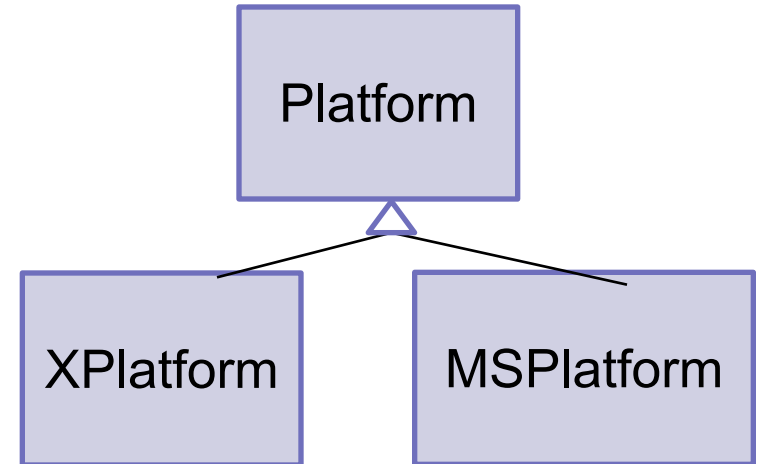
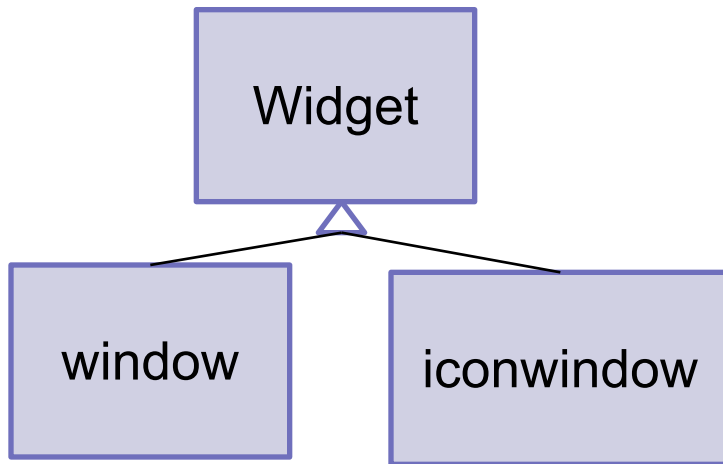
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Toward solution

- What is varying?
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 - Varying: subtypes of windowing/widget
 - Platform encapsulates the OS specifics
 - Varying: X-platform or MS-platform

Towards Solution

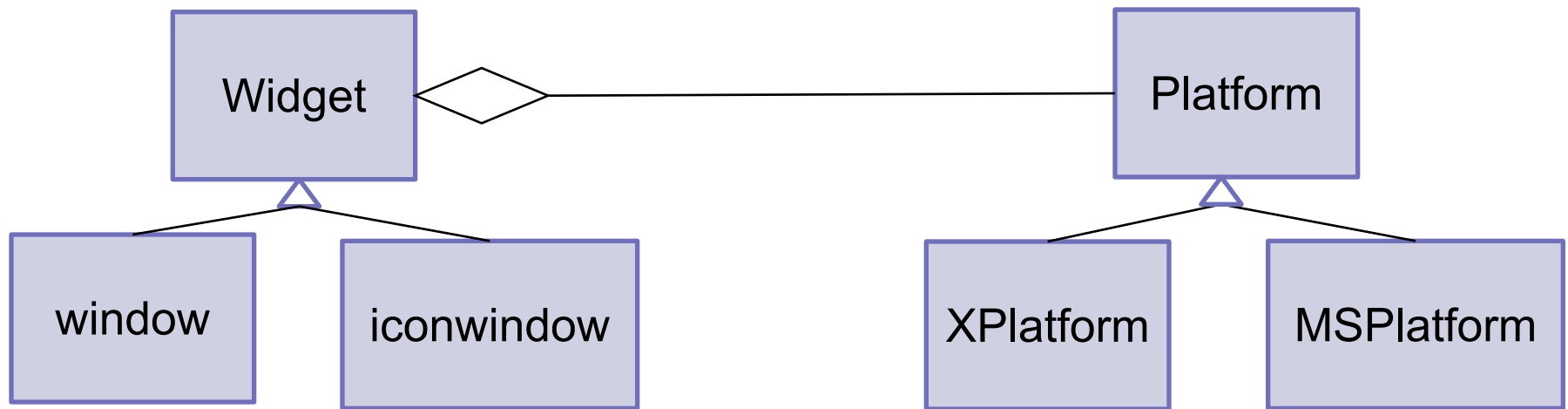




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- What is varying?
 - Widget encapsulates window, iconwindow, etc
 - Varying: subtypes of windowing/widget
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 - Varying: X-platform or MS-platform
- How to relate them without inheritance
 - does widget uses platform OR
 - platform uses widget?

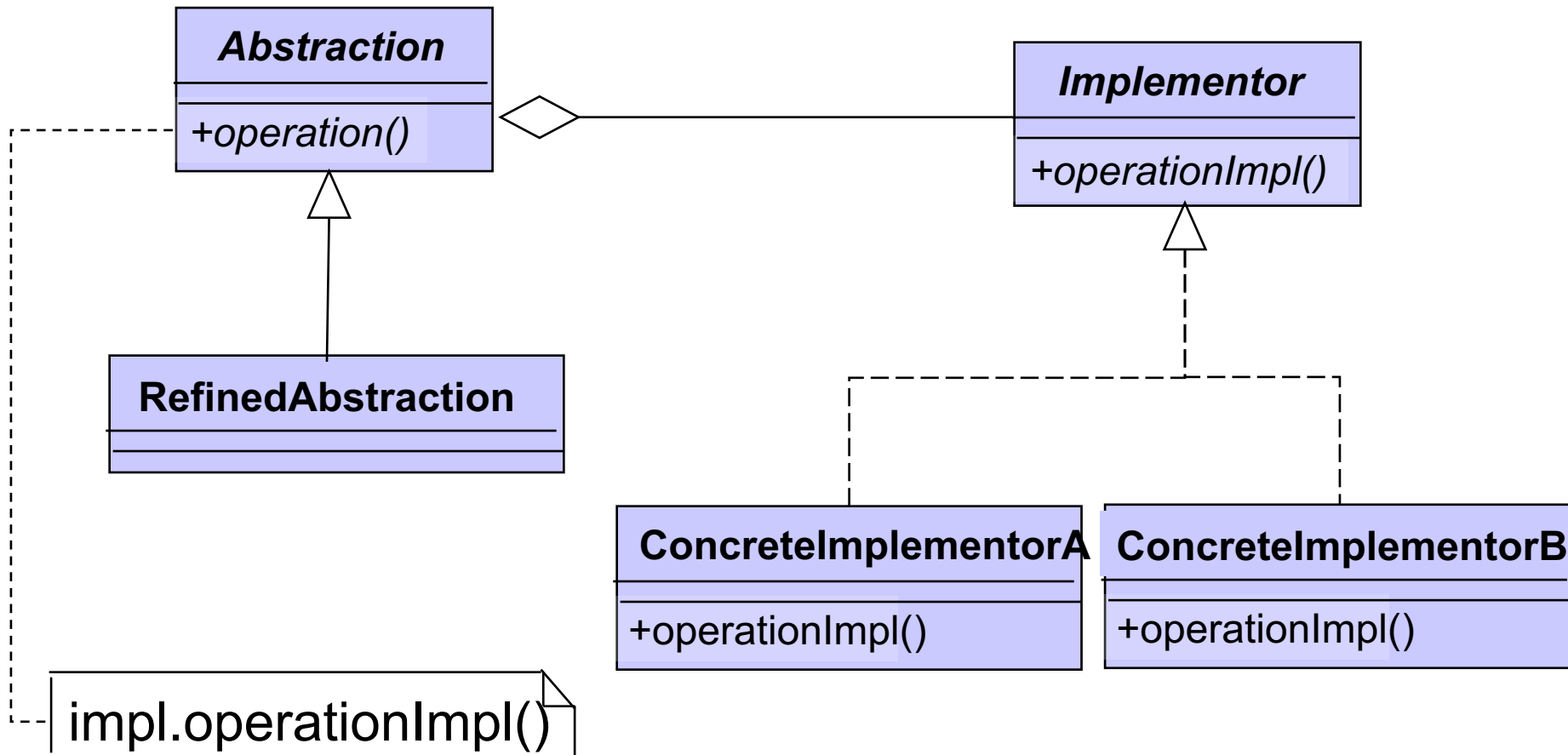
Solution



```
Widget:: expand{
    platfrom.drawRectangle(x,y,x2,y2);
    platform.color(white);
}
```

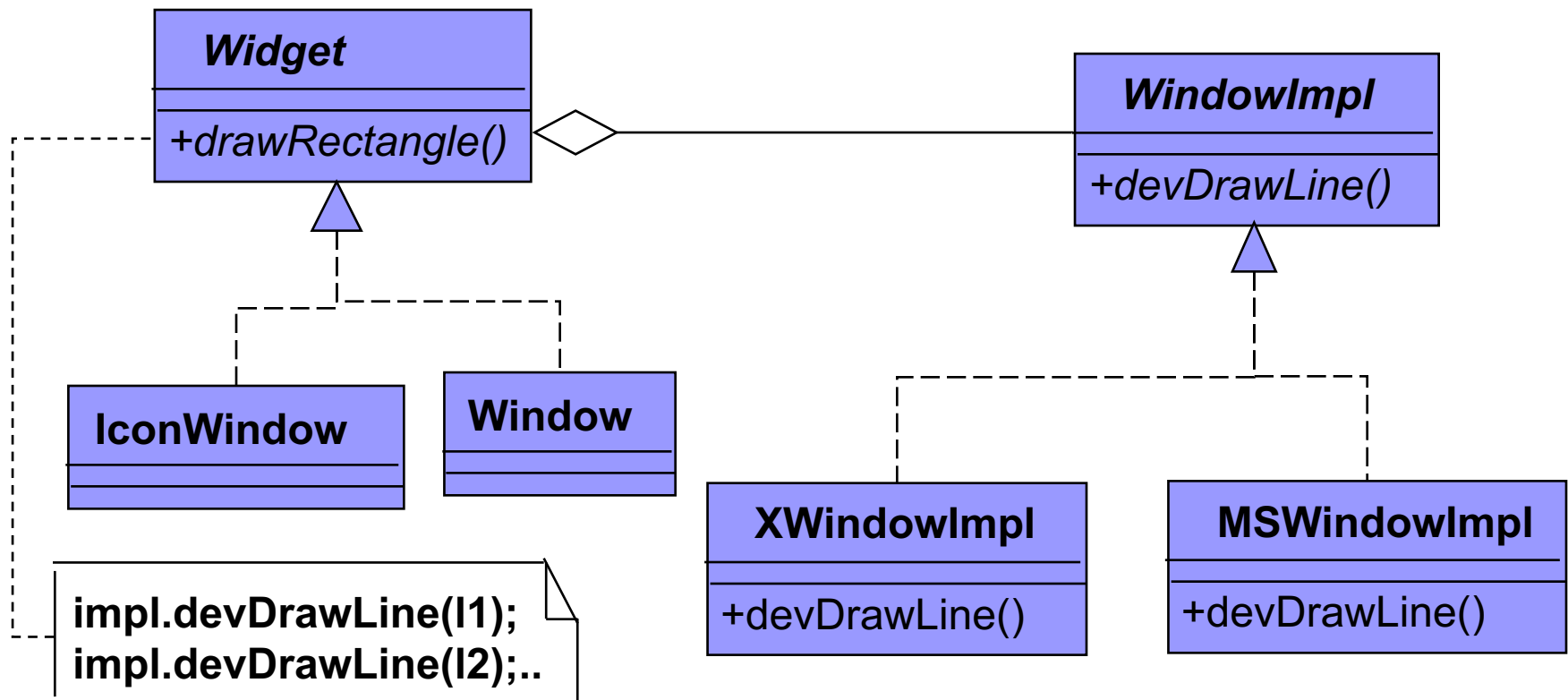
Bridge-Structure

Participants?



Collaboration: Abstraction forwards client requests to its Implementor object.

Using the Bridge



We can extend Window abstraction with more window types easily

We can add other platforms to implement a window

Implementor vs Abstraction

- Implementor interface does **not** have to correspond exactly to Abstraction's interface.
- The two interfaces can be quite different.
 - the Implementor interface provides only **primitive** operations,
 - drawLine, movePoint
 - Abstraction defines **higher-level** operations based on these primitives.
 - drawBorder, drawBoundingBox

Bridge-Applicability

- You want to select (or switch) implementation of an abstraction at runtime
 - **Inheritance** binds implementation to abstraction **permanently**
- Both the abstractions and their implementations should be extensible by subclassing.
 - Inheritance is not practical
- Changes on the implementation of an abstraction (RefinedAbstraction) should not require recompilation of client codes
- Want to hide the implementation of an abstraction completely from clients

Hide implementation from clients

- Using just an interface the client can cheat!

```
Abstraction widget = new ConcreteImplA();  
widget.operation();  
((ConcreteImplA) widget).concreteOperation();  
//cheating
```

- In the Bridge pattern the client code cannot access the implementation
 - No inheritance → no casting

Hide implementation from clients

- Java uses Bridge to prevent programmer from accessing platform specific implementations of interface widgets, etc.
 - It is actually about decoupling for extensibility

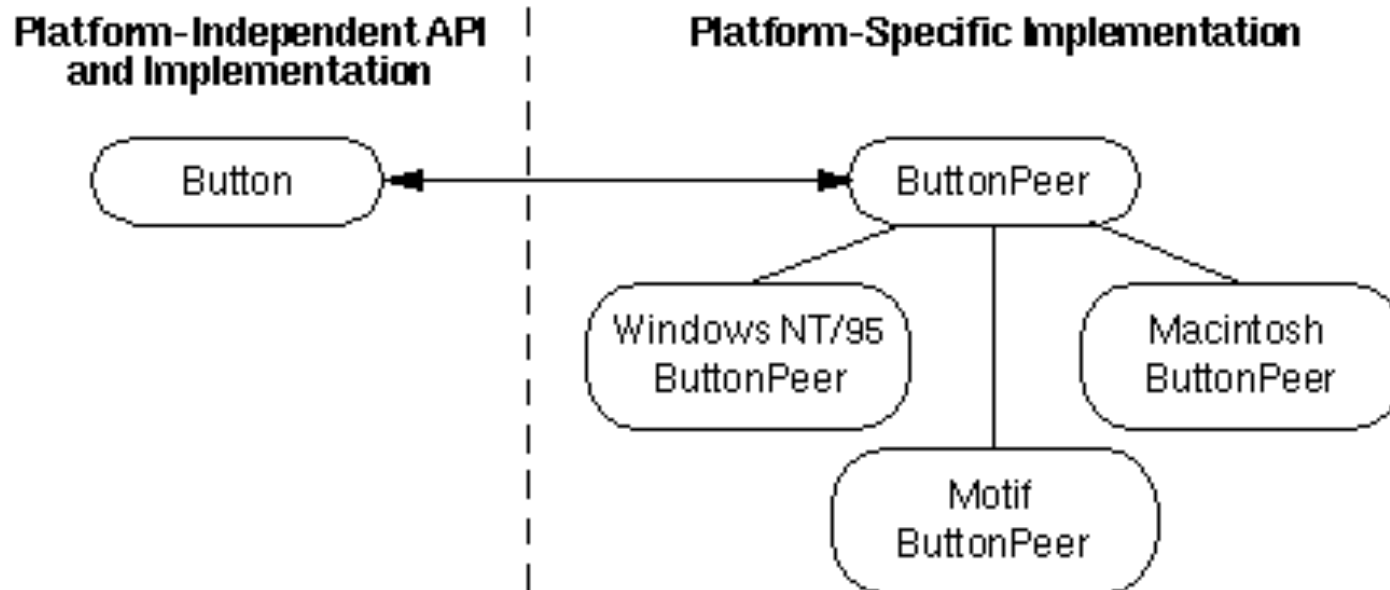
```
public synchronized void setCursor(Cursor cursor) {  
    this.cursor = cursor;  
    ComponentPeer peer = this.peer;  
    if (peer != null) {  
        //invoke implementor  
        peer.setCursor(cursor);  
    }  
}
```

(peer is the implementation)

No
dependency
injection

Bridge –Known uses

- Java runs on different platforms
 - Create components without committing a concrete implementation
 - Component and Component Peers decoupled





C++ idiom PIMPL

- **Pointer to Implementation**
- **Hiding implementation!**
 - Removes implementation details of a class from its object representation
 - i.e. separating implementation from the interface.

A **specific** application of the Bridge pattern to solve

- the problem of compile-time dependencies and
- hide private implementation details.

C++ idiom PIMPL

- **Pointer to Implementation**

- ☐ Removes implementation details of a class from its object representation
- ☐ i.e. separating implementation from the interface.

- Move the private data and member functions in a **separate class** and accessing them through a **pointer**

- ☐ smart pointer to control the lifetime

- *Reduces build dependencies*

- *Hide implementation from clients*

```
/* |INTERFACE| User.h file */
class User {
public:
    User(string name);
    ~User()=default;
    User(const User& other);
    User& operator=(User rhs);
    //operations
    int getSalary();
    void setSalary(int);
    void do2things();
private:
    // Internal Implementor
    class Impl;
    // pointer to the implementor
    unique_ptr<Impl> pimpl;
};
```

No implementation detail
in the header file.

No data structure info

```

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```

Do you see the Bridge?

```

class User::Impl { //implementor
public:
    Impl(string name): name(move(name)){};
    ~Impl()=default;
    void doSth(){cout<<"impl do sth"<<endl;}
    int salary=-1;
private: string name;
};
// Constructor connected with the Impl
User::User(string name)
    : pimpl(new Impl(move(name))) {}
User::User(const User& other)
    : pimpl(new Impl(*other.pimpl)){}
User& User::operator=(User rhs){
    swap(pimpl, rhs.pimpl); return *this;}
int User::getSalary() { return pimpl->salary;}
void User::setSalary(int salary) {
    pimpl->salary = salary;}
void User::do2things() {
    pimpl->doSth(); pimpl->doSth();}

```

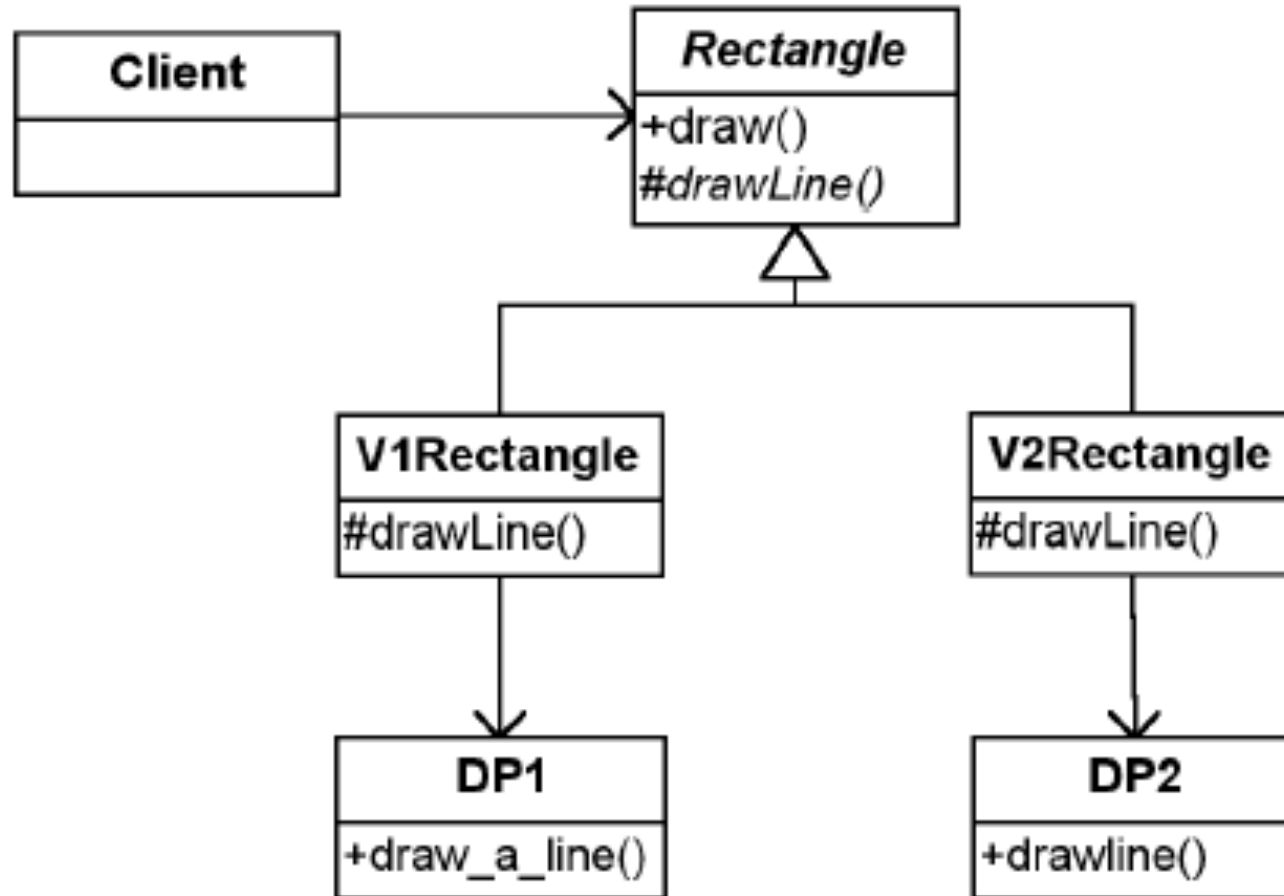
Hide implementation from clients:

Sample scenario

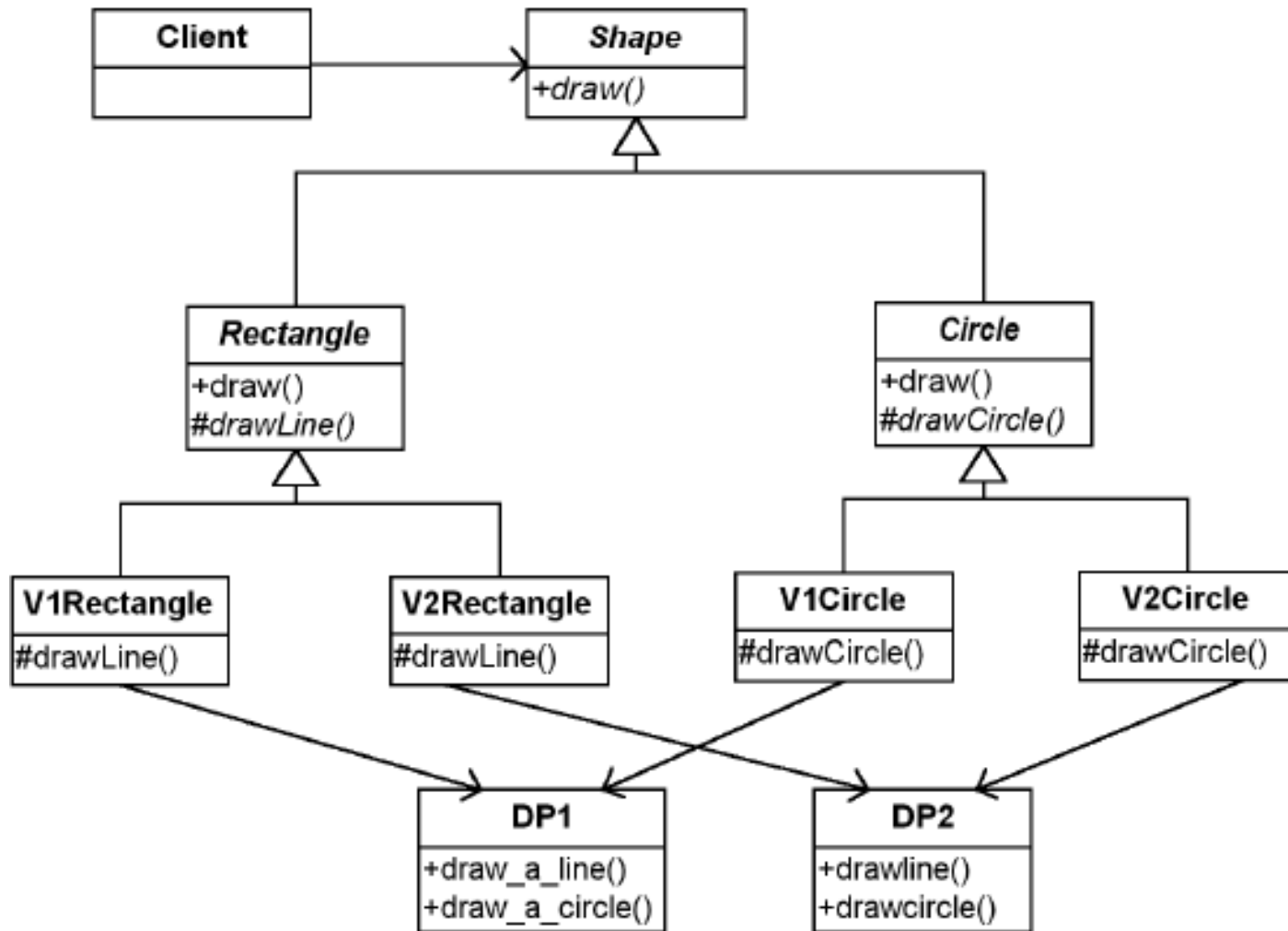
Want to hide the implementation of an abstraction completely from clients

- 1) If a collection class supports multiple implementations, the decision can be based on the size of the collection.
 - ☐ A linked list implementation can be used for small collections and a hash table for larger ones.
- 2) If the collection grows bigger than a certain threshold, then it switches its implementation to one that's more appropriate for a large number of items.

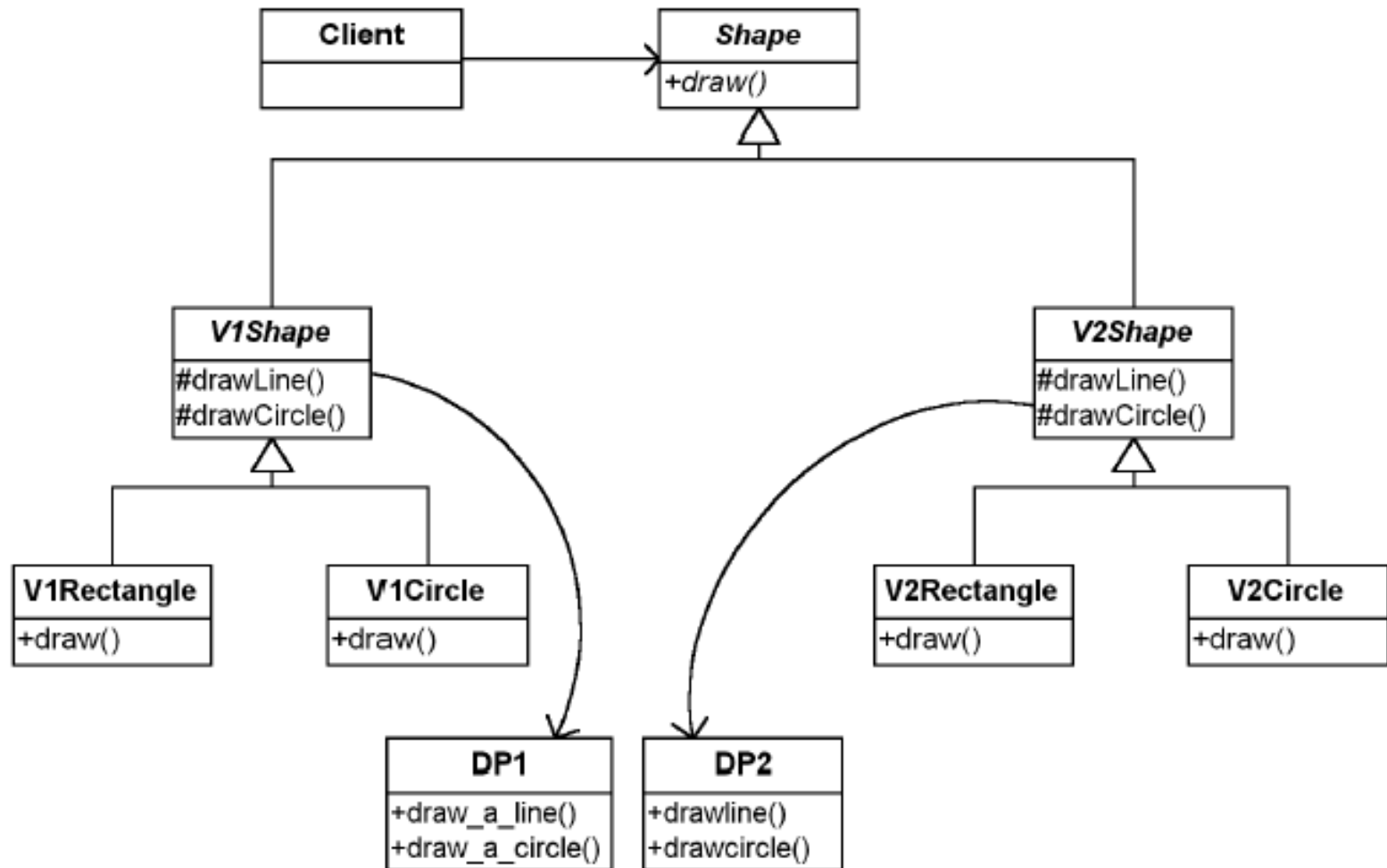
Another example



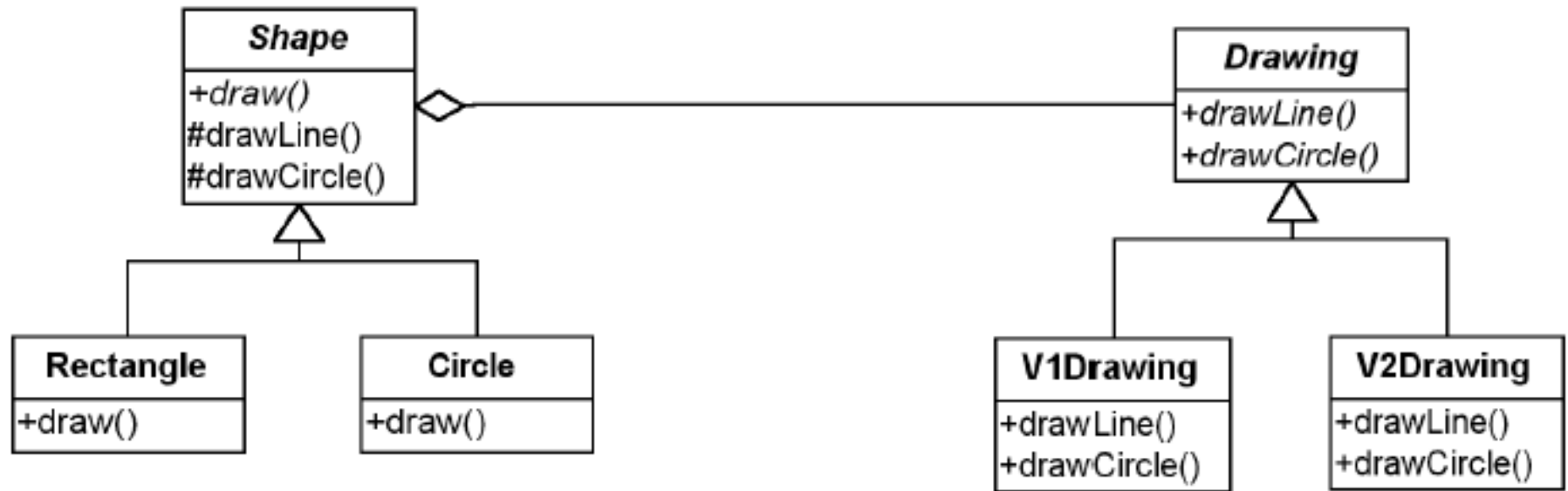
Adding a circle



Not a solution



Using Bridge



Bridge-Consequences

- Decoupling abstraction and implementation
 - Implementation is not bound permanently to a particular interface
 - Enables to switch implementations on-the-fly
 - Reduces compile-time dependencies
 - Changing an implementation class does not require recompilation of Abstraction classes and its clients
 - When *layering*, upper layer only knows Abstraction and Implementor



Bridge-Consequences

- Improved extensibility
 - Abstraction and Implementor hierarchies can be extended independently.
- Useful any time you need to vary an interface and an implementation in different ways.
 - e.g. Graphics that need to run over multiple platforms
- Hiding implementation details from clients.

Implementation issues-1

How, when, and where to instantiate which Implementor class when there's more than one?

- If Abstraction knows about all ConcreteImplementor classes, it can instantiate one of them in its constructor
 - decide between them based on parameters passed to it
- Choose a default implementation initially and change it later according to usage.
 - Delegate the decision to another object: factory
 - Abstraction is not coupled directly to any of the Implementor classes.

Implementation issues -2

- Use multiple inheritance in C++ to combine an interface with its implementation
 - e.g., a class can inherit publicly from Abstraction and privately from a ConcreteImplementor.
 - But it binds an implementation permanently to its interface.
 - You **cannot substitute** different implementors dynamically.
 - Therefore, we cannot implement a true Bridge with multiple inheritance—at least not in C++.

Multiple inheritance?

```
class MyClass : public Abstraction, private
ConcreteImplementor {
    // binds implementation directly
public:
    void operation() override {
        implementation(); // use the concrete method
    }
};
```

- **cannot substitute** different implementors dynamically.
- **Exposes** implementation in the class hierarchy.
- Does **not reduce** compile-time dependencies.

Implementation issues -2 (cont'd)

```
class Abstraction {  
protected:  
    Implementor* impl;  
public:  
    Abstraction(Implementor* i) : impl(i) {}  
    virtual void operation() {  
        impl->implementation();  
    }  
};
```

Enables substituting
different implementors
dynamically

- Bridge implementation in C++
- This is **not** Pimpl
 - Pimpl uses a **single concrete implementation** hidden behind a pointer.

Bridge vs Adapter

- Difference in intention
 - The Adapter pattern's intent is making unrelated classes work together
 - Make things work **after** they are designed
 - Bridge pattern intent's is to allows us to use multiple *implementations* with possibly multiple interfaces
 - Make things work **before** they are designed
- Both promotes flexibility by providing a level of indirection to another object



FLYWEIGHT



Flyweight

- Intent

- Use **sharing** to support **large** numbers of **fine-grained** objects **efficiently**

- Some programs require a large number of objects whose states are the same.

- Why not SHARE these objects instead of creating unique instances?
 - Shared object that can be used in multiple contexts simultaneously.

Flyweight: Example Scenario

- A scene drawing application
 - There are 10000 trees each of them have different location
 - All trees look the same. They are not the primary objective of this scene.
 - Memory problem... what can be shared?

```
public class Tree{  
    private int height;  
    private Point p;  
    private Color color;  
    public void display(Graphics g){ ..}  
    public Tree(...) {...}  
}
```

```
class TreeRealistic{  
    private:  
        Texture bark_;  
        Texture leaves_;  
        Vector position_;  
        double height_;  
        double thickness_;  
        Color barkTint_;  
        Color leafTint_;  
};
```

Encapsulate what varies

```

class Tree{
    private int height;
    private Point p;
    private Color color;
    public void display(Graphics g) {
        ....g.setColor(color);
        g.fillOval(p.x - 5, p.y - 10, 10, 10);}
    public Tree(...){..}
}

class Forest { //client
    private Tree[ ] trees;
    void plantTree(){
        for (int i=0;i<10000; i++)
            trees[i]=new Tree(...);}
    void paint(Graphics g){
        for(var t:trees) t.display(g);}
}

```

```

class Tree{ //FLYWEIGHT
    private int height;
    private Color color;
    display(Point p,Graphics g) {
        ...g.fillOval(p.x - 5, p.y - 10, 10, 10);}
    public Tree(int h, Color c){...}
}

class Forest { //client
    private Point[ ] pos;
    private Tree[ ] trees;
    void plantTree(){ Still not sharing
        for (int i=0;i<10000; i++)
            trees[i]=new Tree(100,green);}
    void paint(Graphics g){
        for (int i=0;i<1000; mi++)
            t.display(pos[i],g)}
}

```

```
public class TreeFactory{
    Map<String,Tree> dict;
    public Tree getTree(String
name, int height, Color c){
        Tree result=dict.get(name);
        if(result==null)
            dict.put(name,
                new Tree(height,c));
        return result;
    }
    public TreeFactory(){
        dict=new HashMap<Tree>();
    }
    //make this class Singleton
}
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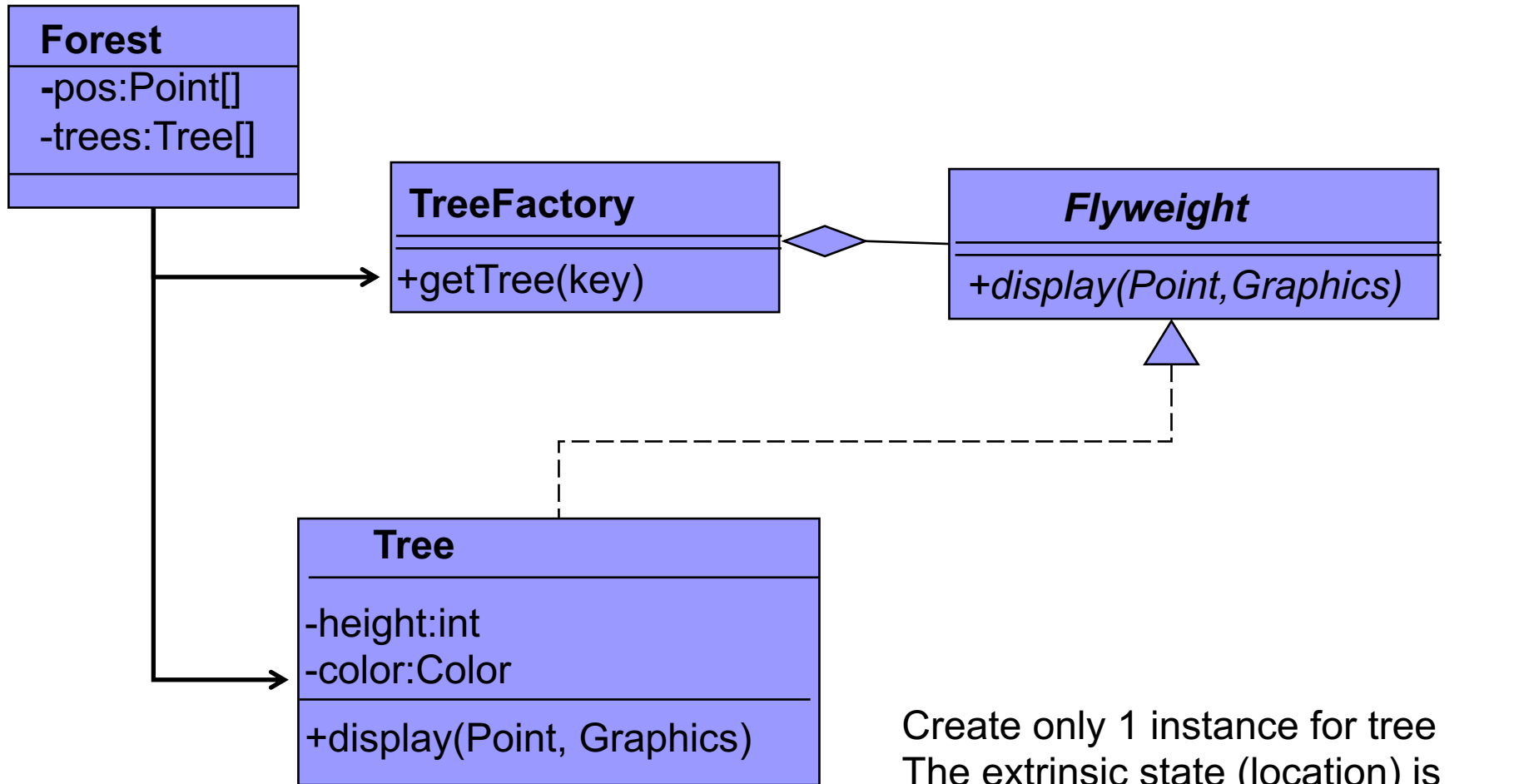
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}

class Forest { //client
    private Point[ ] pos;
    private Tree[ ] trees;
    void plantTree(){
        for (int i=0;i<10000; i++)
            trees[i]=
                factory.getTree("y",100,green);
    }
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}

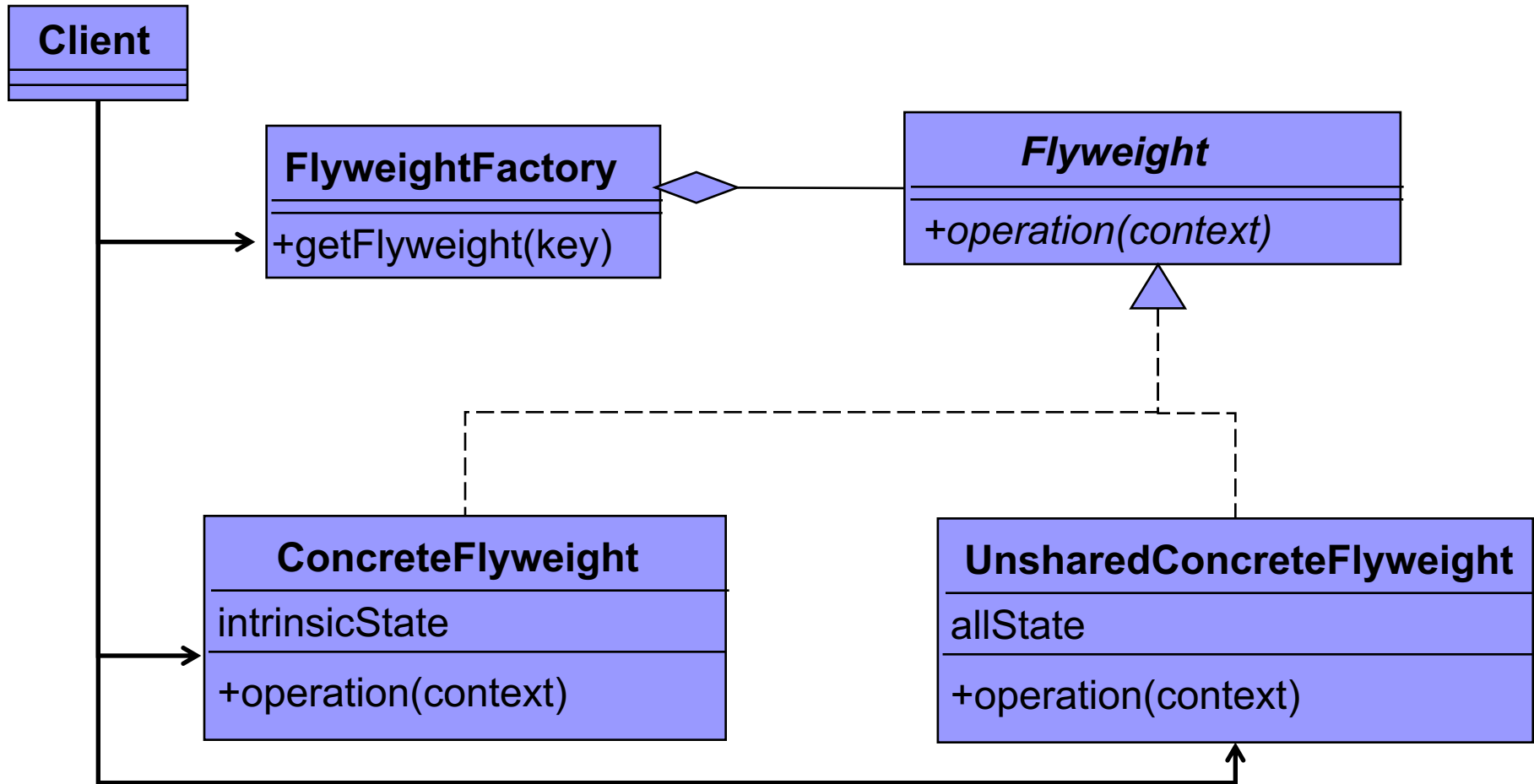
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Structure of the Scene



Create only 1 instance for tree
The extrinsic state (location) is
passed from outside when display
is called

Flyweight -Structure



Intrinsic state=state that does not depend on the context

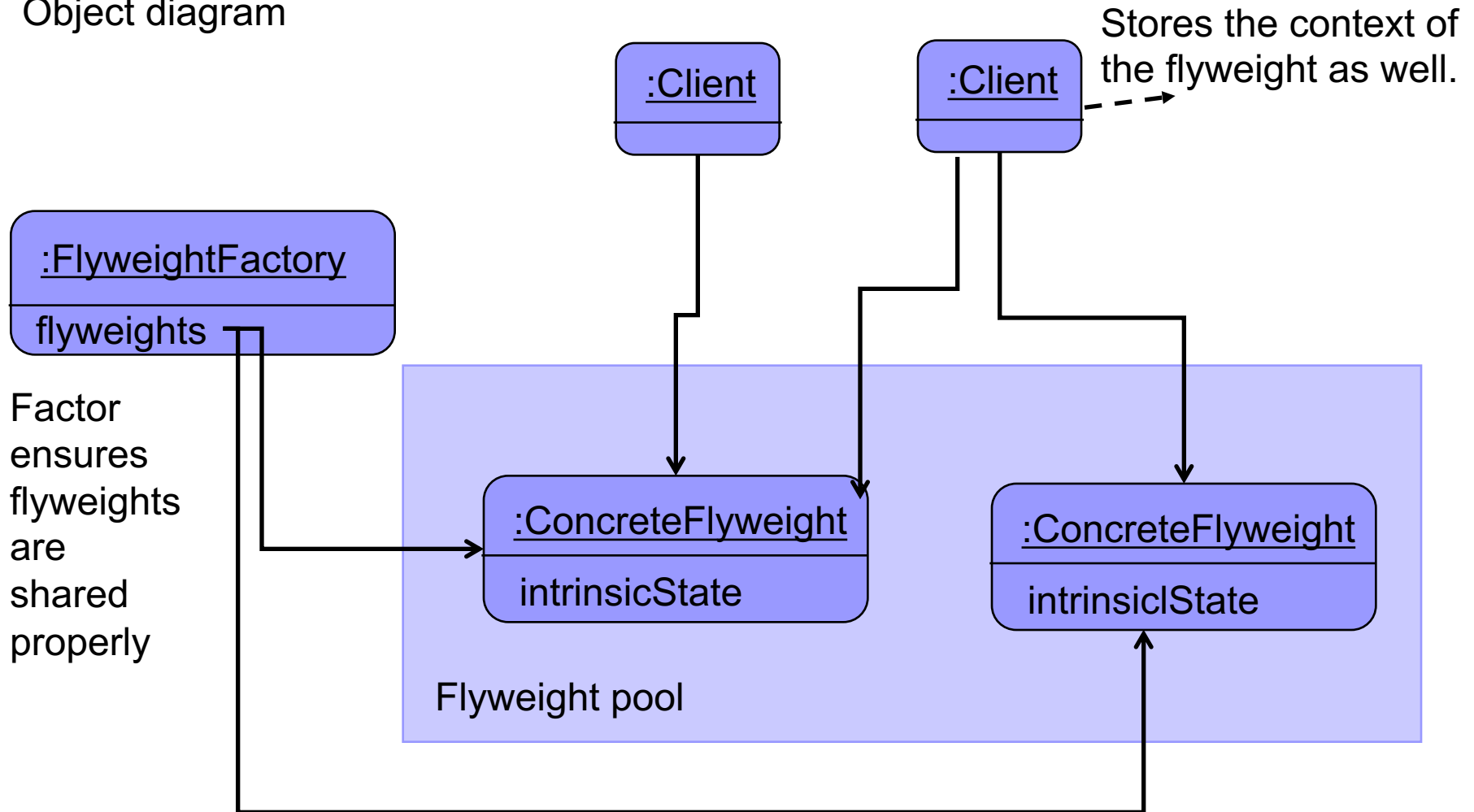


Flyweight participants

- **Flyweight** - Declares an interface through which flyweights can receive and act on extrinsic state.
- **FlyweightFactory** - The factory creates and manages flyweight objects. Ensures sharing of the flyweight objects. Maintains a pool of different flyweight objects.
- **Client** - A client maintains references to flyweights in addition to computing and maintaining extrinsic state (context)
- **ConcreteFlyweight** - Implements the Flyweight interface and stores intrinsic state. Sharable. Manipulates state that is extrinsic.

Flyweight - Structure

Object diagram





Client and Context

- Client stores or calculate values of the extrinsic state (context) to be able to call methods of flyweight objects.
 - Violates Single Responsibility
- Extract a Context class for cohesion
 - Move the extrinsic state along with the flyweight-referencing field to a separate context class.

Using a separate Context

```
public class Tree {
    private Point p;
    private TreeType type;

    public Tree(Point p,
                TreeType type) {
        this.p = p;
        this.type = type;
    }

    public void draw(Graphics g) {
        type.draw(p, g);
    }
}
```

Which one is Flyweight?

Which one is Context?

Is there another pattern here?

```
public class TreeType {
    private String name;
    private Color color;
    private int height;

    public TreeType(String name,
                    Color color, int h) {
        this.name = name;
        this.color = color; height = h;
    }

    public void draw(Point p, Graphics g) {
        g.setColor(Color.BLACK);
        g.fillRect(p.x - 1, p.y, 3, 5);
        g.setColor(color);
        g.fillOval(p.x - 5, p.y - 10, 10, 10);
    }
}
```

```
public class TreeFactory {  
    static Map<String, TreeType> treeTypes = new HashMap<>();
```

```
    public static TreeType getTreeType(String name, Color color, int height) {  
        TreeType result = treeTypes.get(name);  
        if (result == null) {  
            result = new TreeType(name, color, height);  
            treeTypes.put(name, result);  
        }  
        return result; }  
}
```

Which one is the
Flyweight Factory?

```
public class Forest extends JFrame {  
    public void plantTree(Point p, String name, Color color, int height) {  
        TreeType type = TreeFactory.getTreeType(name, color, height);  
        Tree tree = new Tree(p, type);  
        trees.add(tree);  
    }  
    public void paint(Graphics graphics) {  
        for (Tree tree : trees) {  
            tree.draw(graphics);  
        }  
    }  
    private List<Tree> trees = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
public class Demo {
    static int CanvasSIZE= 500;
    static int TREENUM = 1000000;
    static int TREE_TYPES = 2;

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Forest forest = new Forest();
        for (int i = 0; i < Math.floor(TREENUM/ TREE_TYPES); i++) {

            forest.plantTree(random(0, CanvasSIZE),
                "Summer Oak", Color.GREEN, "Oak texture stub");

            forest.plantTree(random(0, CANVAS_SIZE),
                "Autumn Oak", Color.ORANGE, "Autumn Oak texture stub");
        }
        forest.setSize(CanvasSIZE, CanvasSIZE);
        forest.setVisible(true);
    }
    public static Point random(int min, int max) {.....}
}
```

Draw UML diagram

Please see <https://refactoring.guru/design-patterns/flyweight/java/example>
used 7MB instead of 36MB

Flyweight

- Intent

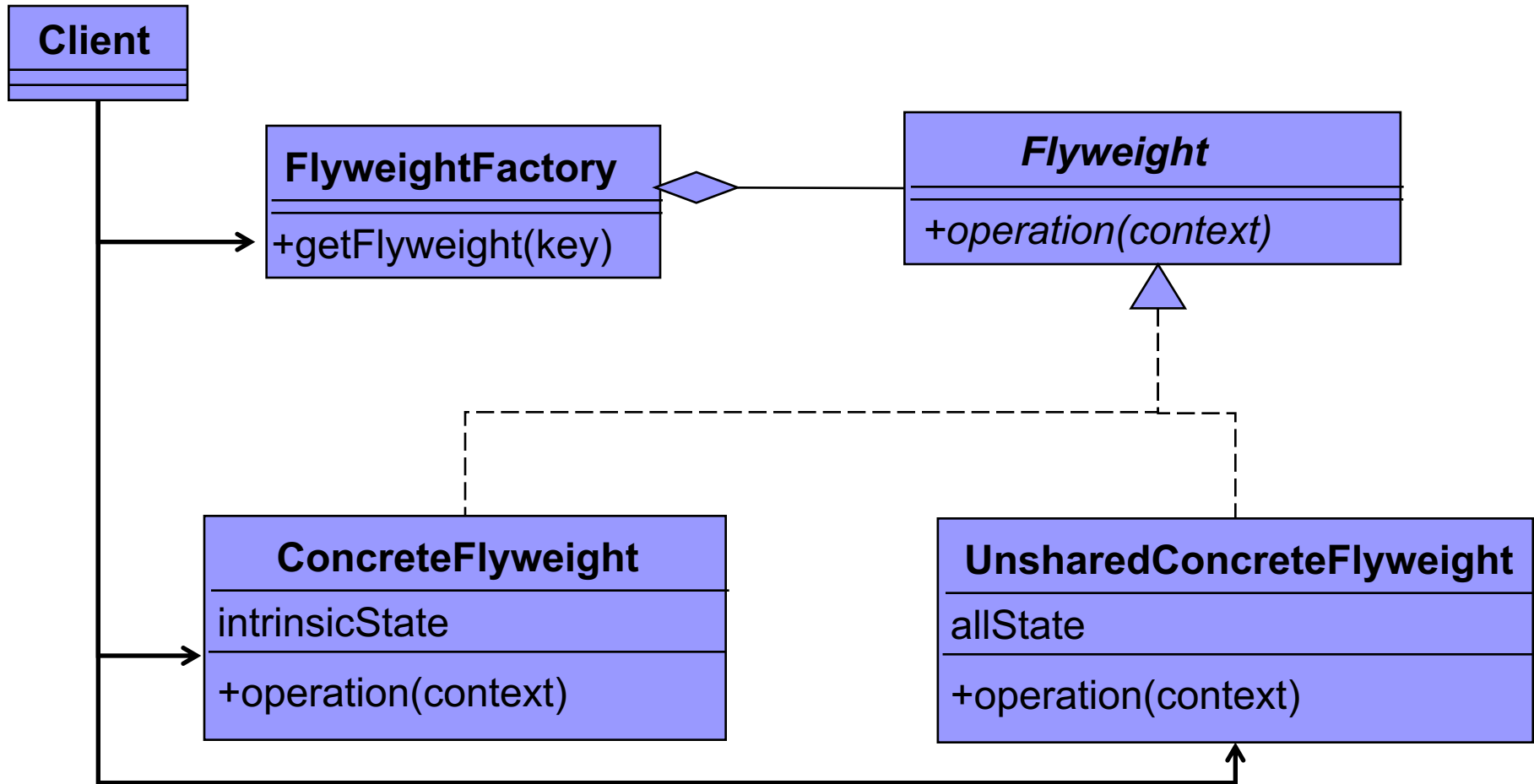
- Use **sharing** to support **large** numbers of **fine-grained** objects **efficiently**

- Applicability (All should apply)

- Application uses large number of objects, and
 - Storage costs are high due to quantity of objects, and
 - Most object state can be made extrinsic (can be passed as parameter), and
 - Many groups of objects may be replaced by a few shared objects once the extrinsic state (context) is removed, and
 - Application does not depend on object identity

- Works good with immutable objects

Flyweight -Structure



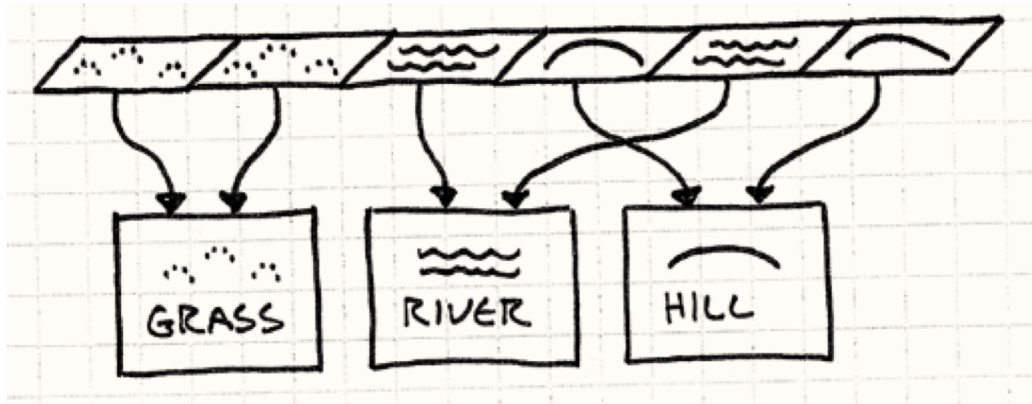
Clients should not instantiate Flyweights directly, since they are shared.

Flyweight

- Use flyweight when you need one instance of a class can be used to provide many “*virtual instances*”
- Support a large number of small objects efficiently by
 - Allowing them to be shared with essential values and
 - Storing them in a factory or manager
 - Shared objects modified with extrinsic values from their context

Use case: Game programming

- Game programming → optimization
- Coding with enum and lots of switch-case is efficient, but
 - No OOP advantage
 - No Open-Closed principle
- Could we use flyweights and get similar efficiency?



Please read the
“Terrain”
implementation
in *Game
Programming
Patterns* book.

Flyweight: Example 2

- Would you have an object for each character in a document?
 - Each character object has the font and style information
- Have a limited character objects and a context that says where and with what attributes it exists in the document?
 - Shared Character flyweights with intrinsic state as character code
 - Character context that says character location and their formatting attributes (extrinsic states)
 - When using the flyweight operations, pass the extrinsic value to it without modifying the intrinsic state



Flyweight - Consequences

- Saves space by sacrificing performance
 - Reduces # of instances
 - Sacrificing time for transfer, find, and compute extrinsic state
- Space saving depends on
 - Reduction in total number of instances
 - Amount of essential state per object
 - Whether extrinsic state is stored or computed
- Centralizes state for many virtual objects into a single location
- Cannot perform identity test
- Instances cannot behave independently from other instances



Related patterns

- Often combined with the Composite when leaf nodes are shared objects
 - Tree turns into a directed-acyclic graph
 - No Parent pointer in the flyweight-- extrinsic state
- Implement State and Strategy objects as flyweights. (later)

Known use:

- `java.lang.Integer#valueOf(int)`