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Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

- A class/module/service should have one reason to change
- Another way to define loose coupling and high cohesion
1 reason to change → 1 job per class. Long methods = smell
- Benefits:

- Easier Maintenance
- Enhanced Flexibility
- Simpler Testing

Good Example:

- Order Class: Manages order details.
- PaymentService Class: Handles payments.
- NotificationService Class: Sends notifications.

Bad Example:

- Order Class: Manages order details, processes payments, handles inventory, and sends notifications

Open-Closed Principle

- Software modules should be open for extension but closed for modification.
- Purpose: Allow the behavior of a module to be extended without modifying its source code.

Open to add, closed to edit → Strategy pattern

Benefits:

- Modification increases coupling, extension reduces coupling
- Promotes Reusability: Extending functionality without altering existing code.
- Improves Maintainability: Reduces risk of introducing bugs when adding features.
- Facilitates Testing: Easier to test new functionality without affecting existing code.

Good OCP:

- Notifier Interface/Class: Extended by Email, Push, SMS, etc.
- NotificationService: Sends notifications using the Notifier without knowing specific notification types.

Bad OCP:

- Notifier Class - Sends notification via all channels and decides which channel to use

Liskov Substitution Principle (LSP)

- Subtypes must be substitutable for their base types without altering the correctness of the program.
- Subclass replaces parent w/o breaking. Don't override to throw

Interface Segregation Principle

- Don't force the client to depend on things they don't use.

Don't force unused methods. Avoid "fat" interfaces

Dependency Injection

- Give a software module/class what it needs as arguments instead of having the module create it.

Depend on abstractions. Use interfaces, not concrete classes

//myObject can't be injected

```
public SomeClass(){  
    myObject = Factory getObject();  
}
```

//myObject can be passed in

```
public SomeClass (MyClass myObject){  
    this.myObject = myObject;  
}
```

Patterns

Creational Patterns

- Deal with object creation mechanisms, optimizing flexibility and reuse.
- **Singleton**: Ensures a class has only one instance (beware threading issues).
- **Factory Method**: Creates objects without specifying the exact class (Central place to create subclasses).
- **Builder**: Constructs (creates) complex objects step by step.

Structural Patterns

- Help organize classes and objects to form larger structures.
- **Adapter**: Converts one interface to another (Converts APIs/interfaces).
- **Decorator**: Adds behavior to objects dynamically (Adds runtime behavior).
- **Facade**: Simplifies complex systems with a unified interface.

Behavioral Patterns

- Concerned with object interaction and responsibility delegation.
- **Observer**: Defines a subscription mechanism for event changes (Listeners update on change).
- **Strategy**: Enables selecting an algorithm at runtime (Swappable behavior; OCP-friendly).
- **Command**: Encapsulates requests as objects to parameterize actions (Encapsulate action as object (undo/redo)).

Domain Driven Design (DDD)

Core Concepts

Domain

- The subject area of the software.
- Crucial to understand the business context (e.g., healthcare, e-commerce, education).

Example: In a healthcare domain, you have subdomains like patient management, appointment scheduling, billing, etc.

Bounded Context

- A semantic boundary where a domain model applies.
- Defines the meaning of terms within that context.
- Reduces ambiguity.

Example: The term "Product" means different things in "Sales" (features, marketing) vs. "Inventory" (stock levels, storage).

Ubiquitous Language: Shared dev + domain terms in code

Building Blocks

Aggregate

- A cluster of related objects treated as a single unit (Root + controlled children (e.g., Order w/ OrderItems)).
- Has an aggregate root that controls access.
- Ensures data consistency within the boundary.

Example: Order (includes OrderItems), Course (includes Assignments).

- Key takeaway: Aggregates control data changes to maintain integrity

- **Entity**: An object with a unique identity. Identity persists over time. Mutable. (Patient, Course, Order, StudentAccount)

- **Value Object:** Replaced, not modified. Immutable. No unique identity. An object defined by its attributes. (Address, Money, DateRange, Grade)
- **Domain Service:** Operation that doesn't belong to an entity or value object. Look for operations, not data. Stateless. Performs actions. Identify stateless behavior. (ShippingRateCalculator, CourseRegistrationService, GradePostingService)
Key takeaway: Domain Services perform actions.
- **Domain Event:** A significant occurrence in the domain. Triggers actions. Used for communication between Bounded Contexts. (OrderPlaced, PaymentReceived, CourseCompleted)
- **Repository:** Save/load aggregate from persistence. Mechanism to persist and retrieve aggregates. Abstracts away database details.

Runtime Architecture

Concurrency & Asynchronicity

- **Concurrency:** Running multiple tasks seemingly at once (e.g., threads, coroutines). - Async/await: Great for I/O - Threads/pools: Best for CPU-bound - Coroutines: Lightweight concurrency
- **Asynchronicity:** Start a task, move on — get notified when it finishes. - Improves UI responsiveness - Boosts scalability (e.g., handle multiple users)

UI Benefits:

- UI stays responsive (no blocking main thread) Asynchronous.

Scalability Benefits:

- System scales better under load (More users/requests handled in parallel) Concurrency.

Applying Concurrency in Transactional Domains:

- **Break transactions into clear steps:** Identify the distinct stages involved in a complete operation (e.g., check → reserve → confirm).
- **Identify which steps can run independently:** (do in parallel).
For example, in reservation:
 - Checking availability for different users can often happen concurrently.
 - But reserving a specific resource can't be done concurrently
- **Keep UI smooth by using background threads for heavy tasks.**
Offload long-running or potentially blocking steps to background threads or asynchronous tasks to keep the user interface interactive.
- **Optimizing Asynchronous Operations:** Async tasks = faster execution (parallel > sequential).

Concurrency models:

Event-loop based concurrency (with async/await): Efficient for handling a large number of concurrent, mostly I/O-bound connections with a single thread. (Threaded, Coroutines)

Ensuring Data Integrity: The Role of Locking

- **The Problem of Concurrent Access:** Simultaneous modification of shared data can lead to inconsistencies. (avoids bugs or bad data). Simultaneous access to shared data = inconsistencies.
- **Locks as a Solution:** Locks = Safety: Ensure only 1 thread modifies a resource at a time.
- **Granularity of Locks:** The scope of the lock impacts concurrency
 - **Fine-grained lock:** Only lock specific resource (Maximizes concurrency)

- **Coarse-grained lock:** Lock big areas of data → safer but slower (Limits concurrency).
- **Transactional Consistency:** Locks help keep transactions consistent by supporting ACID rules (Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, Durability).

Coupling in Distributed Systems

- **Common Coupling:** Two services share the same data or resource (e.g., same database).
- **Temporal Coupling:** One service depends on another being available right away—if one fails or is slow, both break.
- **Domain Coupling:** A necessary link because of the business logic (e.g., placing an order must involve payment).
- **Pass-through Coupling:** A service just forwards data it doesn't use or understand—adds complexity without value.

Bottlenecks in Scalable Systems

Databases often become bottlenecks because:

- **Limited Connections:** They can only handle a limited number of connections at once.
- **Transactional Overhead:** Maintaining consistency (like using locks) slows things down when traffic is high.

Runtime Architecture vs. Code Structure

- **Runtime Architecture** = Concerns the system's behavior and interactions during execution (e.g., concurrency, data flow).
- **Code Structure** = Relates to how the codebase is organized and how different modules depend on each other at the source code level (compile time). These are distinct concepts.