

# Software Construction and Development

## Defensive programming

**Rule 1:** you protect yourself (code) all the time.

**Rule 2:** Never trust users

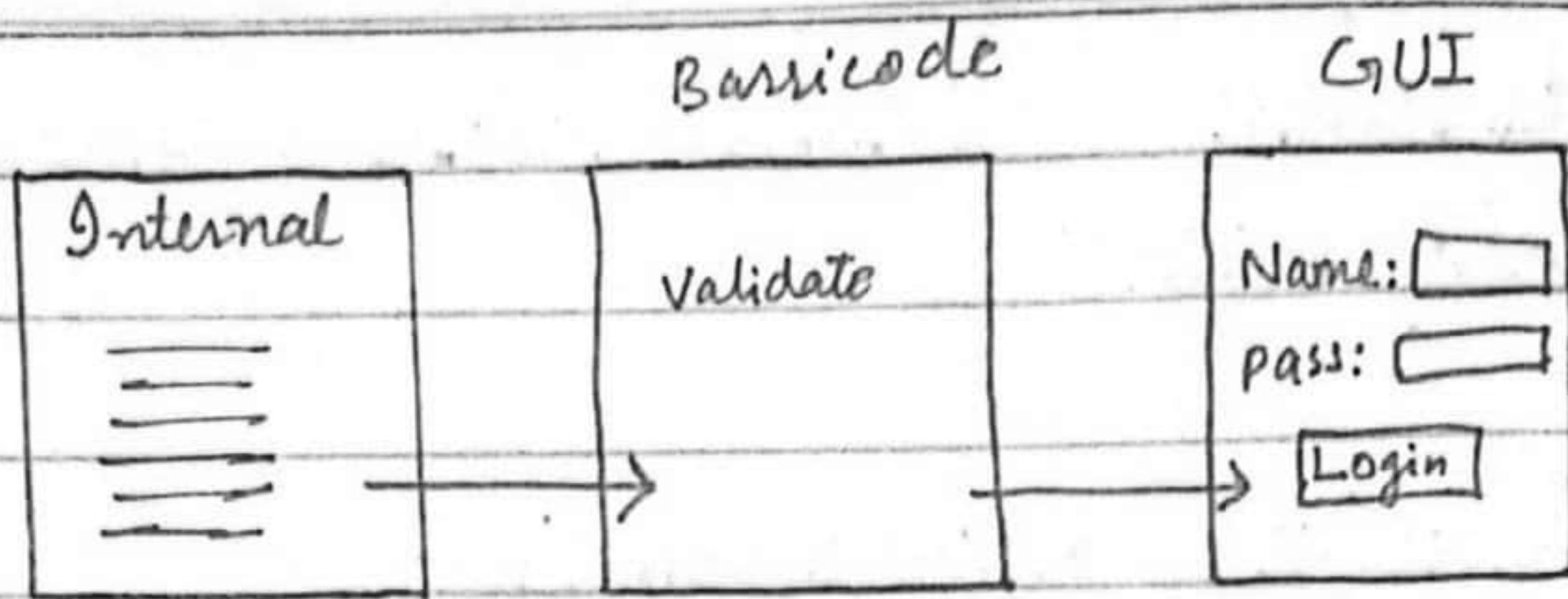
→ check the value of all data from external resource.

→ check all the values of routine input parameters.

Decide how to handle bad data.

possible inputs	Barcode validate class	Internal input class
GUI		
CLI		
Real time		
external process		
Others		expect values





Note: Barricade class check that the data is valid. if data is valid then it calls the Internal class. Its known as defensive programming.

## Assertions (cross-check type)

It is a logical formula inserted at some point in the program. (we do testing)

### Approches:

There are two approaches in the assestion.

#### (i) Forward Reasoning Data Driven

- intuitive (having the ability to know understand things without any proof)
- easily understandable

(ii) Disadvantage:- excess conditions

#### (iii) Backward Reasoning Goal Driven



## Use of Assertions:

- i. An input/output falls within expected range
- ii. A file is open/closed as expected
- iii. Array index out of bound
- iv. Objects/Arrays initialized
- v. A container is empty/full as expected
- vi. verify pre-conditions/post-conditions
- vii. Use assertions to verify the conditions that should never occur.
- viii. Avoid putting executable code into assertions

## Code Review

systematic inspection (check) of a software

Quality Assurance

Reviews  $\begin{cases} \rightarrow \text{personal Review} \\ \rightarrow \text{peer review} \\ \rightarrow \text{management Review} \end{cases}$

Audits  $\rightarrow$  SQA testing team

What is peer programming?

Two person work on a project or task.

Peer Review:-

After you finish part of a programming you represent/explain your source code



to another programmer.

→ offline version of pair programming

• means one person complete the code part and other person just check the mistakes.

→ common practice

## Advantages:

i. collaboration makes a program better quality and stability.

ii. catch most bugs

iii. catch design flaws easily

iv. More than one person has seen the code.

v. Forces code authors to articulate the decisions and participate in the discussion of flaws.

vi. Allow juniors to learn from senior experience without covering the code.

vii. Accountability authors and reviewers

viii. Assessment of performance (Non-punitive)

## Who should Review?

i. other developer

ii. other developer from team



iii- on group of other developers.

### **Focus in Peer Reviews:-**

- i- Error prone code
- ii- previously discovered problem type
- iii- security
- iv- standard check list

### **Distinguish Reviews types / Audits type**

- i- Purpose
- ii- Level of independence
- iii- tools techniques
- iv- roles
- v- Activity

### **Audits types:**

- i- product Assurance SQA
- ii- process Assurance SQA

### **Management Review:**

The main parameters of management reviews are project cost, schedule, scope and quality.   
 which features you are providing

It evaluate decisions about:

- corrective actions
- changes in the allocation of resources



→ changes to the scope of the project

## Personal Review:

Review his/her own code to catch errors and ensure quality.

Ensure that your code is following standards of team/technology.

Review before peer review, management review or audit.

## Refactoring:

Improving a piece of software's internal structure without altering its external behaviour.

Each part of your code has three parts or purpose.

- Execute functionality
- Allow change and easy to maintain (Not tight coupling)
- Communicate well to developer who read it.

→ Commenting is important

→ developer's who are working with or not should understand the code.



**Note:** if nothing would happen you should change the code.

## Types

### (i) Low Level Refactoring:

#### i. Naming

→ use descriptive names for variables and function rather than dummy variables.

Like: A, B, X, Y, Z, ...

→ Avoid using magic constants

Magic: anti pattern of using numbers for constant name.

Example:

const double X = 3.1514

Pi ( $\pi$ ) used.

#### (ii) Procedure

- Extract code into method extract.
- Common function into method
- Inlining an operation / procedure.
- changing operation signature (overloading)
- This technique expose significant optimization opportunities.

Inlining: compiles copies the code from function definition directly into code



of calling function rather than creating a separate set of instructions in a memory.

### Re ordering / Re order:

- split one operation into several
- to improve cohesion and readability
- put the semantically related statements near each other physically within your

program.

## High Level Refactoring

### Significance:

More important than Low level refactoring.

Improve overall structure of your program.

### principles:

1. Exchange obscure language idioms with safer alternatives.

e.g: If you can write an "if" statement in one single line, some other developer may not be familiar. Use coding style that has wide familiarity and is good in terms of readability use switch, continue, return statements.



→ Avoid loop controls variables as much as possible.

2. Clarify statements that has evolved over time using comments.

3. performance Optimization

→ process of modifying a software system to make it work more efficiently and execute more rapidly.

Design level:

→ Algorithms selection (optimal)

→ Data structure

→ Source code

→ Build / Deployment.

4. Refactor to design patterns

5. Use polymorphism to replace conditionals.

Note:

Compare to low level refactoring high level of refactoring is not well supported by tools

God class:

A class that try to do everything in the system

→ Difficult to read

→ Difficult to maintain



5. use polymorphism to replace condit

6. Introduce emmeration

7. Convert primitive type of a class

8. encapsulate collections.

How to refactor a god class?

→ Identify / categorize related attributes & operations

→ from class diagram

→ put together the related items

→ find natural home of operations in related class.

2 → Remove all transient association

Associated classes should be accessed through proper classes rather than direct relation.

Transient (property of any element system that is temporary)

Assumptions:

Add a new feature to a class that is not well designed.

→ Assume you have a plenty of time.



→ write unit test that verify external code's behavior correctness

→ Low level Refactoring

→ High level Refactoring

→ Add new features

### Cost of Refactoring

→ usually developer's don't want to refactor

→ Management don't want it

→ Time

### Benefits of Refactoring

→ 500% ROI (Return Over Investment)

→ Code is more conducive to rapid development.

→ Programming morale (well structured)

→

### When to Refactor?

Best practice: continuously as a part of the development process

It is hard to refactor your software late in the project.



Reason:

Later in the projects a lot of features are added and changes affect/impact huge part/features of the software.

Reasons to Refactor:

1. Duplicated Code
2. A long routine (improve system introducing modularity).
3. Long & deep nested loops
4. poor cohesion (a class has more than one respons).
5. Inconsistent level of abstraction
6. Too many parameters
7. Tight coupling
8. Related items are not organized
9. A routine uses more features/attributes of other classes than its own attribute feature.
10. Inheritance hierarchies are not modular in parallel.
11. primitive data type in overloading



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12. Global variables
  13. Improper / No comments
  14. Sub classes do not fully use the parent's class.
  15. public data members
  16. poor names
  17. Middle class / Middle man is not doing anything.
- Tramp data
18. passing data to other routines without any usage / modification).

### Levels of Refactoring

1. Data level refactoring
2. Statement level
3. Routine / Function
4. class Implementation
5. class Interface
6. System



Deployment: → Shouldn't occur with  
back plans.

→ this stage occurs at the end of  
active development of any piece of  
Software.

→ It is more of an event than st

→ current Technology wave: Automated dep  
ment cloud technologies.

1. Azure

2. Amazon

→ Must have a plan for backup &  
recovery.

→ Deployment include planned step, pr  
areas & plans to recover.

### Deployment Plan Concerns

→ physical Environment

→ Hardware

→ Documentation

→ Training

→ DB related activities

→ 3<sup>rd</sup> party Software

→ Software executable



## Deployment Focus

- Deliver Software
- Revert on Failure

## Rollback:

Reversal of actions completed ~~during~~ during a development with the intent to revert a system back to its previous working state.

## Reasons of Rollback

- Determine your point of no return before deployment.
- Installation does not go as expected
- problems could take longer to fix than installation window.
- Keep production system alive.

## Software Evolution

Various experts have asserted that most of the cost of software ownership arise after delivering software i.e. at maintenance.



## Types:

### Types of Software Maintenance:

#### 1. Corrective Maintenance:

This encompasses fixing bugs  
features

#### 2. Adaptive Maintenance:

This include software adapt  
to changing needs.

#### 3. Perfective Maintenance:

This cater's improved softw  
in terms of performance and main  
ability.

#### 4. Preventive Maintenance:

This type of maintenance d  
with improved software by fixing  
before they activate.

Manny Lehman  $\Rightarrow$  Father of soft  
Evolution

S. Type = Static

E. Type = Evolutionary

(Real world systems)



## 9. Law's of Software Evolution

1. Law of continuing change
2. Law of increasing complexity
3. Law of Self regulation

E-type system evolutionary process  
in self regulatory with distribution of  
product & process  
parameters: Size, time b/w releases num.  
ber of reported

4. Law of conservation of organizational stability

→ The average incremental growth rate  
of e-type systems tends to remain cons.  
tant over time or decline over time

→ Mastery of the system decreases

5. Law of conservation of familiarity
6. Law of continuing growth
7. Law of declining quality
8. Law of feedback system

Average activity rate in an E-type  
process tends to remain constant  
over system lifetime or segments of  
that lifetime.



## Legacy Systems:

Outdated computing software and/or hardware that is still use.

## Challenges:

- i - Mission critical
- ii - Not equipped to deliver the services.
- iii - Do not upgrade at the speed scale of users expectation.

## Worst Case Scenario:

- Legacy system can't connect to new systems
- Legacy system does not support IOT, mobile, cloud application.
- Real time data ko b handle krty.
- For community with Legacy system use/write API.



# Source code and Layout & Style

"Any fool can write code that a computer can understand.

Good programmers write code that humans can understand" Martin Fowler

## Layout

→ It does not affect execution speed and memory consumption

→ It affects how easy is it to understand the code, review and revision after months.

→ It also affects other developers readability, understanding and modification in your absence.

## Fundamentals

1. Logically organized

Proper use of white space (indentation, new lines)

```
for(int i; i < size; i++)
```

```
    Statement A;
```

```
    Statement B;
```

```
    Statement C;
```

```
for(int i; i < size; i++) {
```

```
    Statement A;
```

```
    Statement B;
```

```
    Statement C;
```

```
}
```



## 2. Consistent

Throughout the program use the same style.

**Formatting results in:**

- Maintainable code
- Improve Readability

Code Complete

- Chapter 31 (Self Read)
- Layout & style



## Fundamental theorem of Formatting:

Good visual layout shows the logical structure of a program.

Note: Techniques make good code look good and bad code look bad.

### Techniques:-

proper use of whitespaces.

(a) Grouping

(b) Blank lines

(c) Indentation

proper use of parenthesis.

### Style:

A block of related / similar code use "begin" and "end". It is class by looking at the code that particular block of code starts or ends.

## Control Structure Layout

(a) Avoid unpaired begin-end pairs.

e.g:

```
for (initial cond, final cond, each step)
{
    Statement A;
    Statement B;
}
```



(b) Avoid double indentation with  
begin and end

e.g:

```
for(---, ---, ---) {  
    {  
    }  
}
```

(c) Use blank lines b/w paragraphs  
(blocks of related code)

(d) format single statement blocks  
consistently...

e.g:

```
if (exp)  
    statement A;
```

```
if (exp) {  
    statement A;  
}
```

```
if (exp)  
{  
    statement A;  
}
```

```
if (exp) statement A;
```



(g) for complicated expressions put separate expressions on separate lines.

```
if ( exp A &&  
    exp B ||  
    exp C ) {  
    statement A ;  
}
```

(f) Avoid Goto's (It makes program hard to format)

(g) No endlines for case statements

(exceptional)  
~~X~~ not recommended  
switch (exp) {

case A: statement;  
break;

case B: statement;  
break;

case C: statement;  
break;

default statement;  
break;

}

↓ recommended  
switch (exp) {

case A:  
statement;  
break;

case B:  
statement;  
break;

default  
statement;  
break;

}



## Individual Statements Layout

(a) Statement length

outdated rule: 80 character max

now-a-days: 90 character usual

(b) Use spaces for clarity & readability

— spaces in logical expression

— spaces in array references

— spaces in parameters

(c) Formatting continuation lines.

(i) → Make incomplete statements obvious

(not-recommended)

recommended

while (exp A) &&

(exp B) && (exp C) {

}

while (exp A) {

(exp B) &&

(exp C) {

}

(ii) keep closely related elements close

(iii) Indent routine call continuation

lines the standard amount.

(iv) Make it easy to find the end  
a continuation assignment statements

(v) Indent control-statements/assignment  
continuation line the statement start  
amount.



iii) Don't align right sides of assigned statements.

d) Use one statement per line

e) Data declaration

- Only one data declaration per line

- Declare variables close to where they are first use.

- declare Order declaration sensibly.

- In C++, put asterik\* of pointers with variable name.

## Comments Layout

- indent a comment with its corresponding code.

- set off each comment with at least a line.

## Routines Layout

- Use blanks to separate parts of routine

- Use standard indentation for routine argument.

## Classes Layout:



If a file has more than one  
identify each class clearly

→ put one class in one file

→ File name should be related  
class

→ Separate routines within a file

→ Sequence routine alphabetically

## **SWEBOK** chp 6 (Section 2)

**Configuration** ⇒ set up

Software Configuration Management

→ SQA k qareeb tareen ho

→ knows all the phases of  
development life cycle

**Configuration:** Functional and physical  
characteristic of hardware & software  
mentioned in technical documents  
achieved in a product.

planning for SCM

Software Release Management

Identification package and delivery



elements of a product

Release:

- Executable program
- Documentation
- Release Note
- Configuration Data

Concerns:

- when to issue a release
- product delivery items
- Version release notes
- track distribution of product to customers
- digital verification