CptS 487 Software Design and Architecture

Lesson 4

OO Design Principles



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Outline

- 5 OO Design Principles [MARTIN] Section 2
 - SRP: Single-Responsibilty
 - OCP: Open-Closed
 - LSP: Liskov Substitution
 - DIP: Dependency-Inversion
 - ISP: Interface-Segregation
- And others...
 - Proposed by the same author

SRP: The Single-Responsibility Principle

- Aka: Cohesion again
- Reminder:
 - A system/subsystem has high cohesion if it keeps together things that are related to each other, and keeps out other things
 - Single/Focused responsibility

SRP: The Single-Responsibility Principle

- Exercise question:
 - Someone designed a module named "FindSet"; the module is capable of the following:
 - Reading user input of which set of data the user needs
 - Accessing the database to fetch said set of data
 - Organize the data into a report and display them for the user.
 - Does this module have high or low cohesion?

SRP: The Single-Responsibility Principle

- Fall 2015 students: 50/50 on High/Low
- Correct answer
 - Low
- In the context of the SRP, we define a responsibility to be "a reason for change" [MARTIN]
 - If you can think of more than one motive for changing a class/module/subsystem, then it has more than one responsibility.
- http://www.oodesign.com/single-responsibilityprinciple.html

OCP: The Open-Closed Principle

- Software entities (classes, modules, functions, etc.) should be open for extension, but closed for modification.
 - Design shall allow the extension without modification to internal logics
 - E.g. use superclasses to maintain the abstraction and interface of sensor classes, and if a future sensor fits to the interface defined by the superclass, it can be plugged into the system without changing its internal logics.
- Abstraction is the key.

OCP: The Open-Closed Principle

- Open for extension
 - We can extend the behaviors of the module
- Closed for modification
 - ...without modifying the original code
- Requires we have a higher level of abstraction/interface available.
- We may do it through inheritance and/or composition, for instance.
 - Will address in discussion Object Design.
- http://www.oodesign.com/open-closeprinciple.html

LSP: The Liskov Substitution Principle

- Subtypes must be substitutable for their base types.
 - Proposed by Barbara Liskov in 1988
- The Liskov Substitution Principle (LSP) seems obvious given all we know about polymorphism
- For example:

```
public void drawShape(Shape s) {
// Code here.
}
```

- The drawShape method should work with any subclass of the Shape superclass (or, if Shape is a Java interface, it should work with any class that implements the Shape interface)
- But we must be careful when we implement subclasses to insure that we do not unintentionally violate the LSP
 - Example from http://www.oodesign.com/liskov-s-substitution-principle.html

LSP Example

Consider the following Rectangle class:

```
// A Rectangle class.
public class Rectangle {
   private double width;
   private double height;
   public Rectangle(double w, double h) {
    width = w;
    height = h;
   public double getWidth() {return width;}
   public double getHeight() {return height;}
   public void setWidth(double w) {width = w;}
   public void setHeight(double h) {height = h;}
   public double area() {return (width * height);
```

- How about a Square class? Clearly, a square is a rectangle, so the Square class should be derived from the Rectangle class.
- Observations:
 - A square does not need both a width and a height as attributes, but it will inherit them from Rectangle anyway. So, each Square object wastes a little memory, but this is not a major concern.
 - The inherited setWidth() and setHeight() methods are not really appropriate for a Square, since the width and height of a square are identical. So we'll need to override setWidth() and setHeight(). Having to override these simple methods is a clue that this might not be an appropriate use of inheritance!

Here is the Square class:

```
// A Square class.
public class Square extends Rectangle {
 public Square(double s) {super(s, s);}
 public void setWidth(double w) {
   super.setWidth(w);
   super.setHeight(w);
 public void setHeight(double h) {
   super.setHeight(h);
   super.setWidth(h);
```

• Did you detect the problem?

Everything looks good. Let's test it:

```
public class TestRectangle {
// Define a method that takes a Rectangle reference.
 public static void testLSP(Rectangle r, float w, float h) {
   r.setWidth(w);
   r.setHeight(h);
   System.out.println("Width is "+w+" and Height is "+h+
    ", so Area is " + r.area());
   if (r.area() == w*h)
       System.out.println("Looking good!\n");
   else
       System.out.println("Huh?? What kind of rectangle is
     this??\n");
```

```
public static void main(String args[]) {
   //Create a Rectangle and a Square
   Rectangle r = new Rectangle(4.0, 5.0);
   Square s = new Square(5.0);

   testLSP(r, 4.0, 5.0);
   testLSP(s, 4.0, 5.0);
   According to the LSP, it should
   work for both Rectangles or
   Squares. Does it??
```

Test program output:

```
Width is 4.0 and Height is 5.0, so Area is 20.0 Looking good!
Width is 4.0 and Height is 5.0, so Area is 25.0 Huh?? What kind of rectangle is this??
```

Looks like we violated the LSP!

- What's the problem here? The programmer of the testLSP() method made the reasonable assumption that changing the width of a Rectangle leaves its height unchanged.
 - A mathematical square might be a rectangle, but a Square object is not a Rectangle object, because the behavior of a Square object is not consistent with the behavior of a Rectangle object!
 - Behaviorally, a Square is not a Rectangle! A Square object is not polymorphic with a Rectangle object.
- Passing a Square object to such a method results in problems, exposing a violation of the LSP

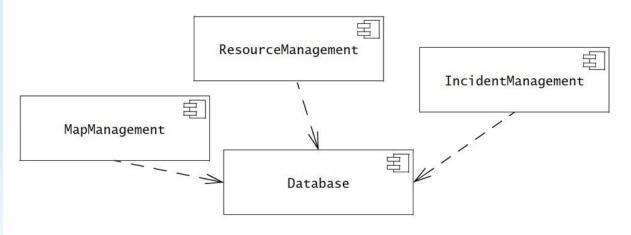
LSP: The Liskov Substitution Principle

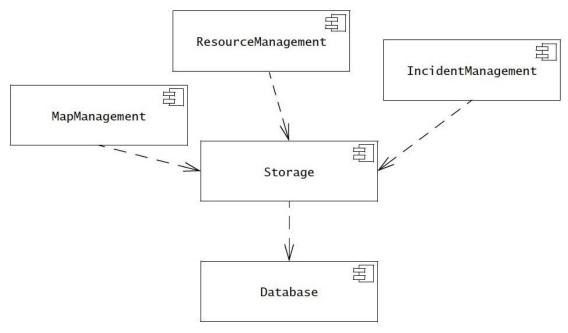
- In order for the LSP to hold all subclasses must conform to the behavior that clients expect of the base classes they use
- A subtype must have no more constraints than its base type, since the subtype must be usable anywhere the base type is usable
- If the subtype has more constraints than the base type, there would be uses that would be valid for the base type, but that would violate one of the extra constraints of the subtype and thus violate the LSP!
- The guarantee of the LSP is that a subclass can always be used wherever its base class is used!

DIP: The Dependency-Inversion Principle

- 1) High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules. Both should depend on abstraction
 — "Copy" example.
- 2) Abstractions should not depend on details.
 Details should depend on abstractions.
 - Programming to interfaces, not implementations.
- Low coupling

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 Can be applied wherever one class sends a message to another.

 http://www.oodesign.com/dependency-inversionprinciple.html

ISP: The Interface-Segregation Principle

- Clients should not be forced to depend on methods that they do not use.
- Many client-specific interfaces are better than one general purpose interface.
 - Client-specific interfaces control the access to a class or a component.
 - E.g. separate the security interface from the ordinary user interface.
- Cohesion & Coupling

ISP: The Interface-Segregation Principle

- http://www.oodesign.com/interface-segregationprinciple.html
- The ATM user interface example in [MARTIN] Chapter 12
 - Provides a good guidance on how to design the structure of your GUI code!
 - Avoid gigantic "form1.cs"

Basic Design Principles*

- The Release Reuse Equivalency Principle (REP). "The granule of reuse is the granule of release."
 - The update on the design of a component shall guarantee the downward (backward) compatibility.
- The Common Closure Principle (CCP). "Classes that change together belong together."
 - Changes are localized to a component for a better change control and release management.
- The Common Reuse Principle (CRP). "Classes that aren't reused together should not be grouped together."
 - If a class not reused together is included in a package, it will be tested with other classes when changes and reuse occur. This causes the unnecessary overhead of testing and maintenance.