Design concepts

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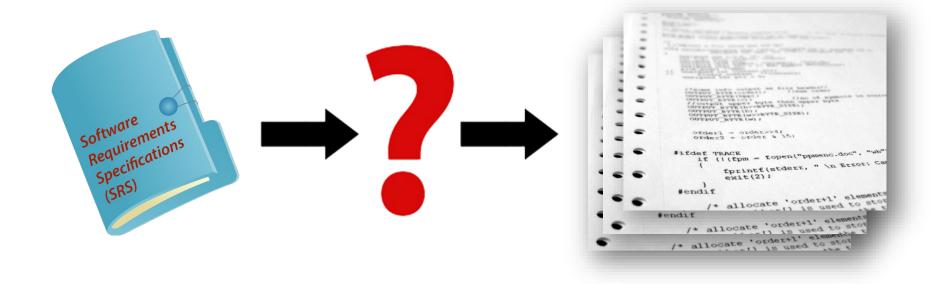
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Software development life cycle



We have the software requirements; now what?



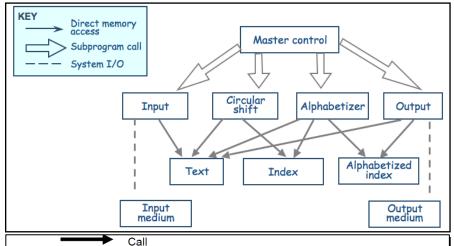
The key word in context (KWIC) problem

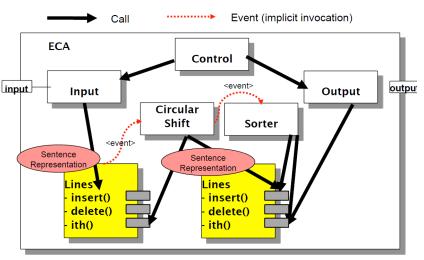


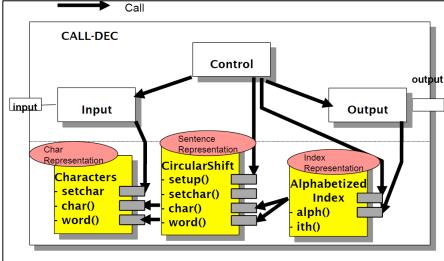
"The KWIC system index system accepts an ordered set of lines, each line is an ordered set of words, and each word is an ordered set of characters. Any line may be "circularly shifted by repeatedly removing the first word and appending it at the end of the line. The KWIC index system outputs a listing of all circular shifts of all lines in alphabetical order."

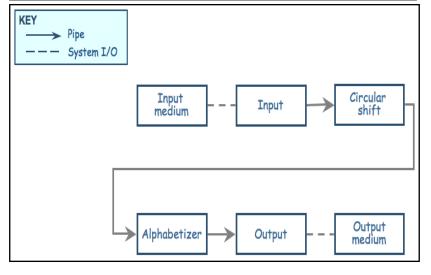
One spec, many designs











Factors to consider



Attribute	Priority	Shared data	Abstract data type	Implicit invocation	Pipe and filter
Easy to change algorithm	1	1	2	4	5
Easy to change data representation	4	1	5	2	1
Easy to change function	3	4	1	4	5
Good performance	3	5	4	2	2
Easy to reuse	5	1	4	2	5

• Other factors: modularity, testability, security, ease of use, ease of integration, extensibility

Software architecture



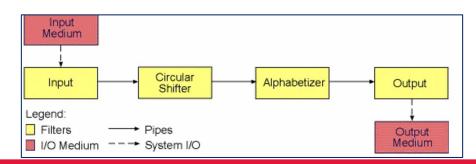
- To create a reliable, secure and efficient product, you need to pay attention to architectural design which includes:
 - its overall organization
 - how the software is decomposed into components
 - the server organization
 - the technologies that you use to build the software
- The architecture of a software product affects its performance, usability, security, reliability and maintainability.
- There are many different interpretations of the term software architecture
 - Some focus on 'architecture' as a noun the structure of a system and others consider 'architecture' to be a verb - the process of defining these structures



- A software system's architecture is the set of principal design decisions made about a system to be developed
 - A blueprint for the system construction and evolution
- A software architecture is represented in terms of
 - Software components
 - Software connectors
 - Configuration (topology)

- A rationale for the decomposition, identification, or definition of

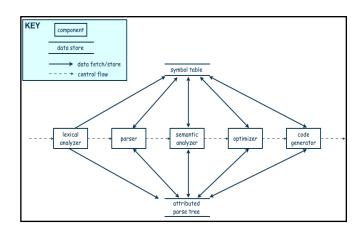
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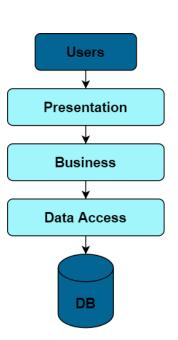
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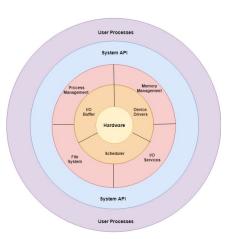


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Solaris Operating System Structure

The IEEE definition of software architecture

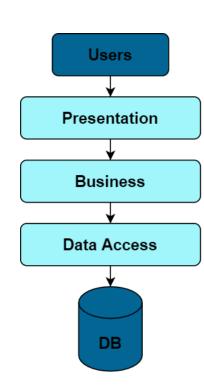


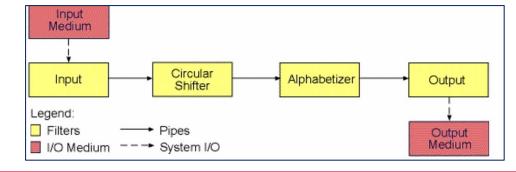
 Architecture is the fundamental organization of a software system embodied in its components, their relationships to each other and to the environment, and the principles guiding its design and evolution

A software component



- Encapsulates a subset of the system's functionality and/or data
- Restricts access to that subset via an explicitly defined interface, and
- Embodies principles of encapsulation, modularity and abstraction
 - Imply composability, reusability, evolvability

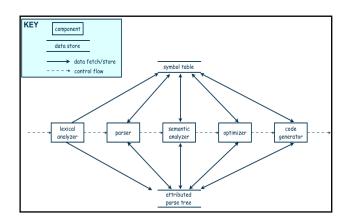




Software architecture and components



- A component is an element that implements a coherent set of functionality or features.
- Software component can be considered as a collection of one or more services that may be used by other components
- When designing software architecture, you don't have to decide how an architectural element or component is to be implemented
- Rather, you design the component interface and leave the implementation of that interface to a later stage of the development process.



How to choose an architecture?



- Domain-specific software architectures
- Reference architectures
- Architectural styles

Domain-specific software architectures

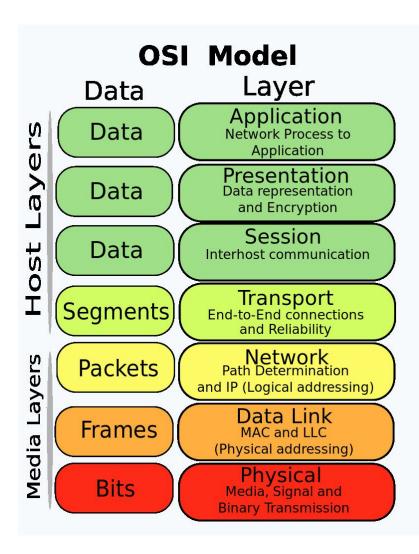


- Encode substantial knowledge acquired thru experience
 - A reference architecture for an application domain
 - Example: airline reservation systems; insurance applications
- DSSAs represent the most valuable type of experience useful in identifying a set of alternative arrangements for a design
- DSSA analogy
 - House designs by a housing development that are instantiated many times
 - Not identical: different colors, cabinetry, banister styles, carpet
 - The same structural elements: floor plan, location of windows, fireplace(s)

A reference architecture



 The ISO OSI model is an excellent reference architecture for internet applications

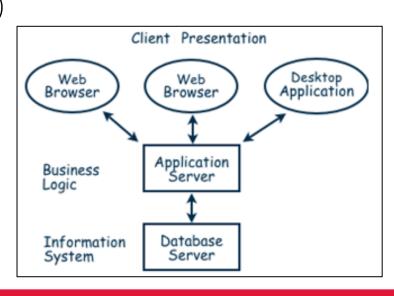


Architectural styles



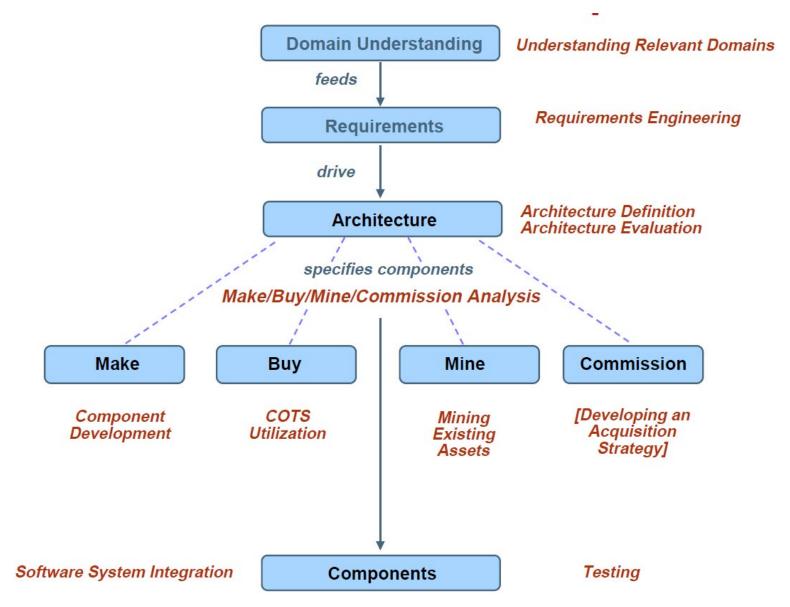
- An architectural style is a named set of architectural design decisions (that introduce useful qualities in each resulting system)
 - Traditional language-influenced styles (main program calling subroutines)
 - Layered (virtual machines, client server)
 - Data-flow styles (pipe and filters)
 - Shared memory
 - Implicit invocation
 - Peer-to-peer

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An architecture-centric approach to design





Design simplicity



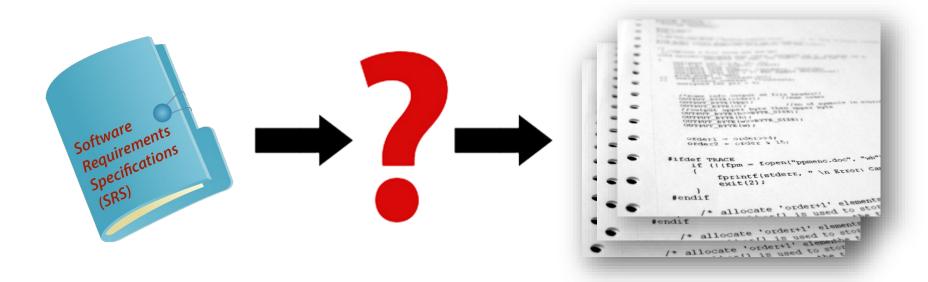
 Tony Hoare: There are two ways of constructing a software design: One way is to make it so simple that there are *obviously* no deficiencies, and the other way is to make it so complicated that there are no *obvious* deficiencies.



Design

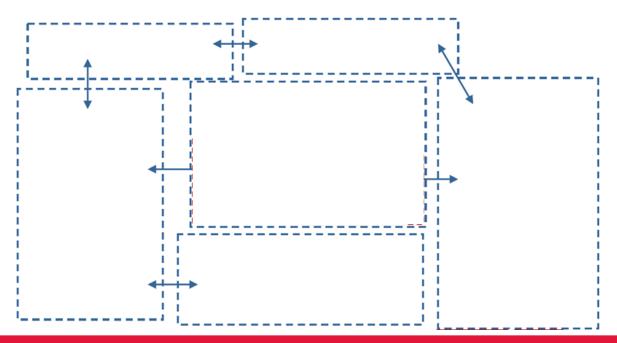


- Bridge the gap between a problem and the expected solution
- Divide and conquer: model new system as a set of subsystems





- Choose architecture style (e.g., a layered architecture)
- Identify components (subsystems)
- Identify connectors (how the components will communication)



Subsystems (components) of a compiler



Lexer

Service:

- Scan input file and provide stream of tokens
- Initialize symbol table
- Report lexical errors

Features:

next_token (File, ST)

Static Analyzer

Service:

- Perform semantic analysis
- Fill symbol table
- Report type errors

Features:

perform_analysis (AST, ST)

Parser

Service:

- Parse token stream and build abstract syntax tree
- Enter symbol table information
- Report syntax errors

Features:

AST(File, ST)

Code Generator

Service:

 Generate target code from analyzed syntax tree

Features:

generate code(AST, ST)

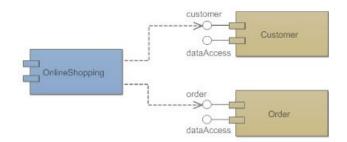
What is a subsystem (component)



- Collection of closely interrelated classes
- In UML: package and/or component diagrams
 - Packages for grouping

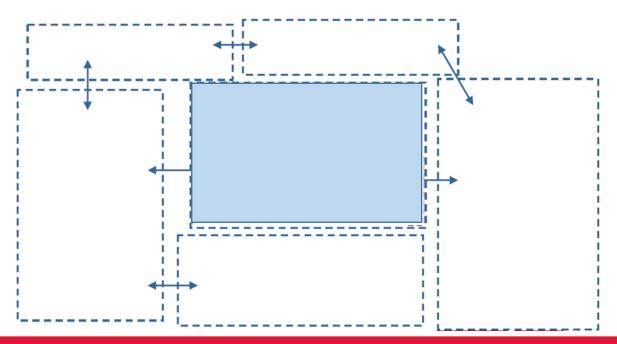


Components for showing a service



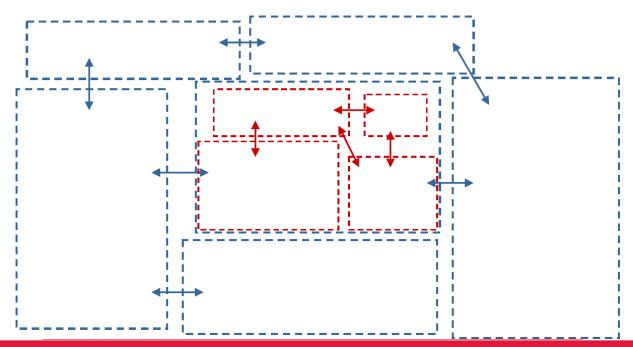


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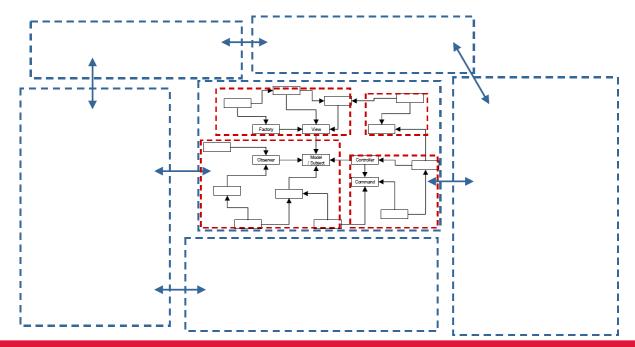


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Why decompose

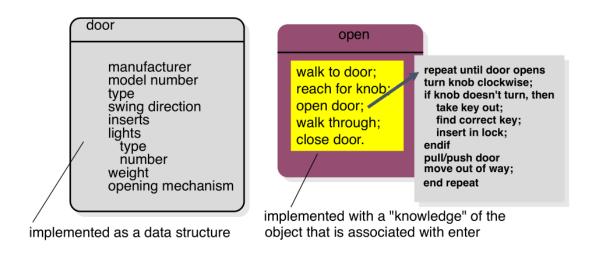


- Management
 - Partition effort
 - Clear assignment of requirements to modules
- Modification
 - Decouple parts so that changes to one don't affect others
- Understanding
 - Allow understanding system one chunk at a time

Design concepts: abstraction



- Abstraction: present a problem and solution at appropriate levels of abstraction
 - Procedural abstraction: a sequence of instructions of a specific and limited function, with details of the function suppressed
 - Data abstraction: a collection of data that describes a data object



Design concepts: Separation of concerns

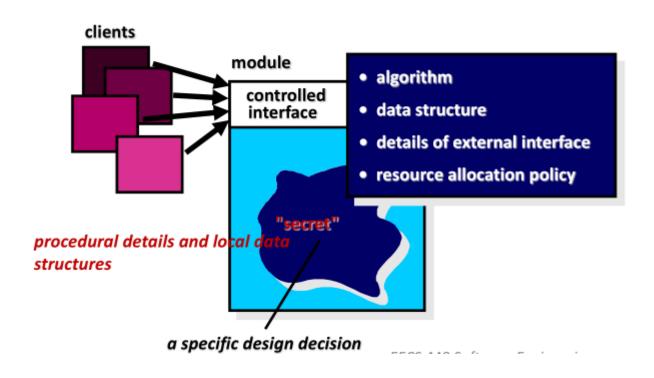


- Separation of concerns
 - "Concern": a feature specified by the requirement model
 - Lead to software modularity, functional independence, refinement, and aspects

Design concepts: Functional independence



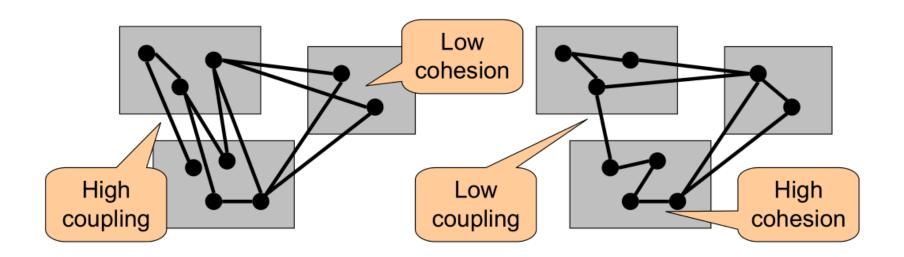
- Functional independence
 - Each module addresses a specific subset of requirements
 - Each module has a simple interface



Design concepts: Functional independence



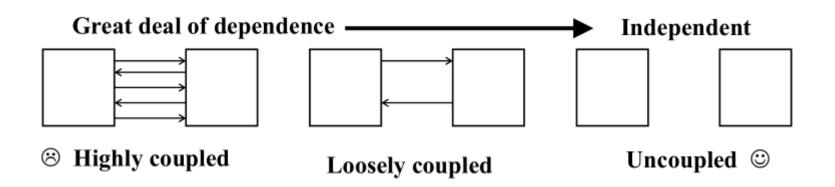
- Achieving functional independence
 - Cohesion: interdependence of elements of one module
 - Coupling: interdependence between different modules
 - Goal: high cohesion and low coupling



Design concepts: coupling



- Coupling is an indication of the relative interdependence among modules
- Two modules are tightly coupled when they depend a great deal on each other
 - Loosely coupled modules have some dependence, but their interconnections are weak
 - Uncoupled modules have no interconnections at all; they are completely unrelated



Design concepts: coupling

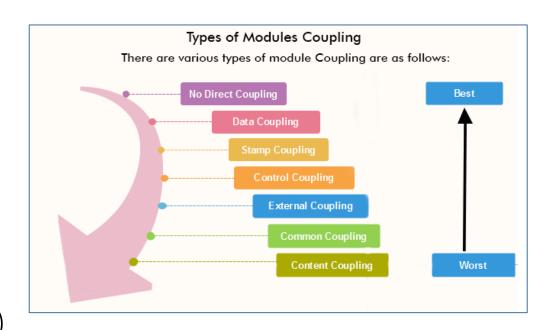


- Coupling: There are many ways that modules can be dependent on each other:
 - The references made from one module to another
 - The amount of data passed from one module to another
 - The amount of control that one module has over the other
- Coupling can be measured along a spectrum of dependence

Design concepts: coupling



- No direct coupling
- Data coupling (better)
- Stamp coupling
- Control coupling
- Common coupling
- Content coupling (worse)



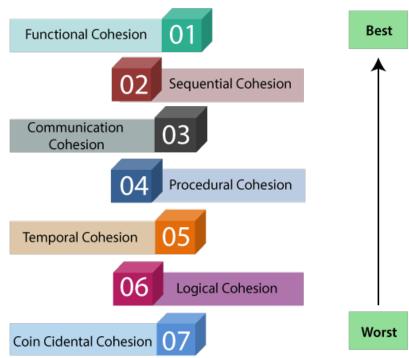
Design concepts: Cohesion



 Cohesion refers to the dependence within and among a module's internal elements (e.g., data, functions, internal modules)

Types of Modules Cohesion

- Functional cohesion
- Sequential cohesion
- Communication cohesion
- Procedural cohesion
- Temporal cohesion
- Logical cohesion
- Coincidental cohesion



Design concepts: Cohesion



- Coincidental: Parts are unrelated to one another
- Logical: Parts are related only by the logic structure of code
- Temporal: Module's data and functions related because they are used at the same time in an execution
- Procedural: Similar to temporal, and functions pertain to some related action or purpose

Design concepts: Cohesion

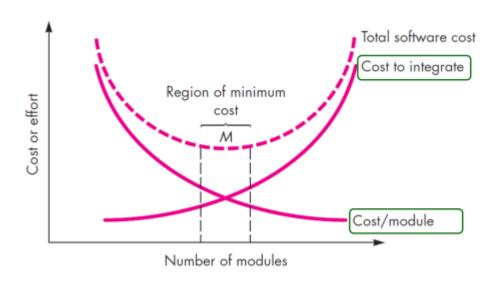


- Communication: Module elements operate on the same data set (data structures)
- Sequential: Parts of a module are grouped because the output from one part is the input to another (get data from a database, prepare result, return results)
- Functional (ideal degree)
 - All elements essential to a single function are contained in one module, and all of the elements are essential to the performance of the function
 - An adaption of functional cohesion to data abstraction and object-based design
 - Data, actions, or objects are placed together

Design concepts



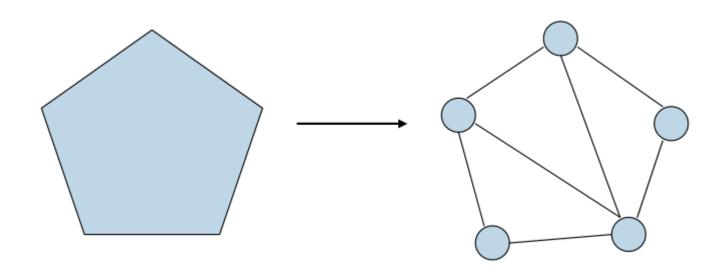
- Modularity
 - Helps development, increments and changes, testing and debugging, long-term maintenance
 - Increase cohesion, decrease coupling
 - Favored by architectural techniques tending to ensure decentralization of modules



Design concepts: Decomposability



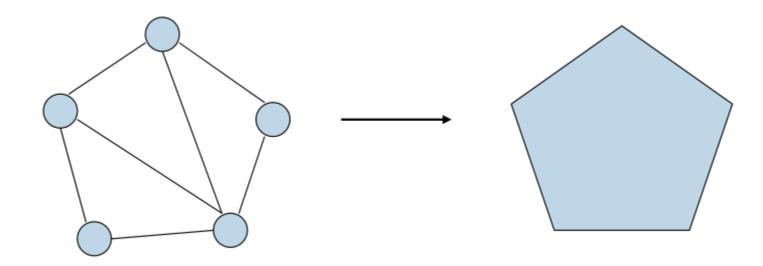
- Decomposability: Decompose complex systems into subsystems
 - Division of labor



Design concepts: Composability



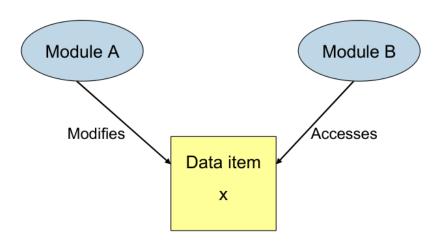
• Composability: Build software elements so that they may be freely combined with others to produce new software



Design concepts: Small interfaces



- Small interfaces principle: If two modules communicate, they exchange as little information as possible
- Explicit interfaces principle: Whenever two modules A and B communicate, this is obvious from the text of A or B or both



Design concepts: Uniform access



- Uniform access principle: A module's facilities are accessible to its clients in the same way whether implemented by computation or storage
- Not uniform: a.balance, balance(a), a.balance()
- Uniform: a.balance
- It shouldn't matter to the client whether you look up or compute

Design concepts: Information hiding



- Information hiding principle: The designer of every module must select a subset of the module's properties as the official information about the module, to be made available to authors of client modules
- Information hiding: Every module should be known to the outside world through an official, "public" interface
- The rest of the module's properties comprises its "secrets"
- It should be impossible to access the secrets from the outside

Design concepts: Reusability



- Reusability: design for reusability to use parts of the design and implementation in other applications
- Type of reuse
 - Object code (or equivalent)
 - * Example: sharing dll's between word processor and spreadsheet
 - Classes in source code form
 - * Example: Customer class used by several applications
 - Assemblies of related classes (or pattern of classes)

Design concepts



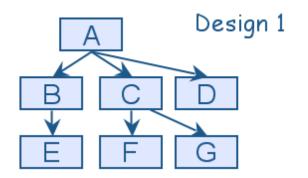
Refactoring

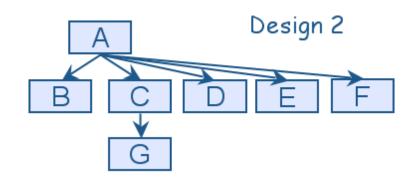
- A reorganization technique
 - * Simplifies the code of a component without changing its function
 - * "Improves the internal structure of a design (or source code) without changing its external functionality or behavior"
- Examine an existing design for
 - * Redundancy
 - Unused design elements
 - Inefficient or unnecessary algorithms
 - * Poorly constructed or inappropriate data structures
 - * Any other design failure that can be corrected to yield a better design

Design concepts



- Fan-in refers to the number of units that use a particular software unit
- Fan-out refers to the number of units used by particular software unit





Design concepts: Interfaces



- Interfaces: The specification of a software unit's interface describes the externally visible properties of the software unit
- An interface specification should communicate to other system developers everything that they need to know to use our software unit correctly
 - Purpose
 - Preconditions (assumptions)
 - Protocols
 - Postconditions (visible effects)
 - Quality attributes

Design concepts: Generality



- Generality: a design principle that makes a software unit as universally applicable as possible, to increase the chance that it will be useful in some future system
- We make a unit more general by increasing the number of contexts in which it can be used
 - Parameterizing context-specific information

Design concepts



 Generality: The following four procedure interfaces are listed in order of increasing generality

```
PROCEDURE SUM: INTEGER;
POSTCONDITION: returns sum of 3 global variables
PROCEDURE SUM (a, b, c: INTEGER): INTEGER;
POSTCONDITION: returns sum of parameters
PROCEDURE SUM (a[]: INTEGER; len: INTEGER): INTEGER
PRECONDITION: 0 <= len <= size of array a
POSTCONDITION: returns sum of elements 1..len in array a
PROCEDURE SUM (a[]: INTEGER): INTEGER
POSTCONDITION: returns sum of elements in array a
```

OO design concepts



- Object-oriented methodologies are the most popular and sophisticated design methodologies
- A design is object-oriented if it decomposes a system into a collection of runtime components called objects that encapsulate data and functionality
 - Objects are uniquely identifiable runtime entities that can be designated as the target of a message or request
 - Objects can be composed, in that an object's attributes may themselves be objects, thereby encapsulating the implementations of the object's internal variables
 - The implementation of an object can be reused and extended via inheritance, to define the implementation of other objects
 - OO code can be polymorphic: written in generic code that works with objects of different but related types

OO design terminology



- A class is a software module that partially or totally implements an abstract data type
- If a class is missing implementations for some of its methods, we say that it is an *abstract* class
- The class definition includes constructor methods that spawn new object instances
- Instance variables are program variables whose values are references to objects

OO design terminology

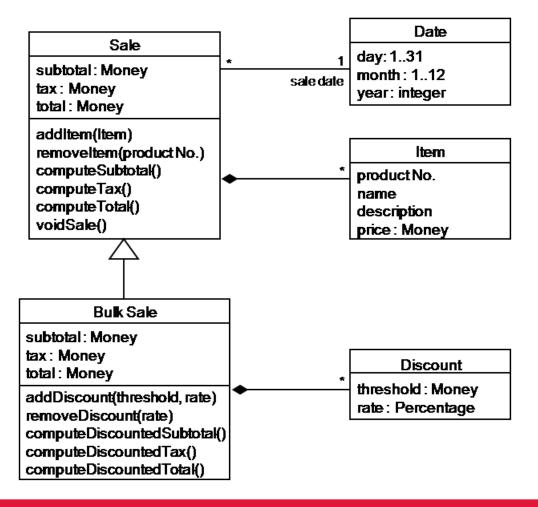


- Building new classes by combining component classes, much as children build structures from building blocks is done by object composition
- Alternatively, we can build new classes by extending or modifying definitions of existing classes
 - This kind of construction, called inheritance, defines a new class by directly reusing (and adding to) the definitions of an existing class

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Example of inheritance



OO design terminology



- Polymorphism occurs when code is written in terms of interactions with an interface, but code behavior depends on the object associated with the interface at runtime and on the implementations of that object's method
- Inheritance, object composition, and polymorphism are important features of an OO design that make the resulting system more useful in many ways

Types of polymorphism (C++)



- Operator and function overloading
- Template classes
- More advanced pure polymorphism (runtime binding)



Types of polymorphism



- Operator overloading
 - Example: binary operator +
 - Used for adding two numbers
 - Can be overloaded to add two complex numbers, two matrices, two vectors, concatenating two strings, etc.

results =
$$x + y$$
;

Type compatibility is essential

Operator overloading

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else



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// C++ program to overload the binary operator +
// This program adds two complex numbers
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Complex {
   private:
                                                    int main() {
    float real;
                                                        Complex complex1, complex2, result;
    float imag;
                                                        cout << "Enter first complex number:\n";</pre>
   public:
                                                        complex1.input();
    // Constructor to initialize real and imag to
    Complex(): real(0), imag(0) {}
                                                        cout << "Enter second complex number:\n";</pre>
    void input() {
                                                        complex2.input();
        cout << "Enter real and imaginary parts re
        cin >> real:
                                                       // complex1 calls the operator function
        cin >> imag;
                                                       // complex2 is passed as an argument to the function
                                                        result = complex1 + complex2;
    // Overload the + operator
                                                        result.output();
    Complex operator + (const Complex& obj) {
        Complex temp;
                                                        return 0:
        temp.real = real + obj.real;
        temp.imag = imag + obj.imag;
        return temp;
    void output() {
        if (imag < 0)
            cout << "Output Complex number: " << real << imag << "i";
```

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cout << "Output Complex number: " << real << "+" << imag << "i";

Operator overloading



```
int main() {
    Complex complex1, complex2, result;

    cout << "Enter first complex number:\n";
    complex1.input();

    cout << "Enter second complex number:\n";
    complex2.input();

    // complex1 calls the operator function
    // complex2 is passed as an argument to the function
    result = complex1 + complex2;
    result.output();

    return 0;
}</pre>
```

Function overloading



- Function overloading (different from function overriding in specialization)
 - The number and type of the parameters determine which function is called

```
void SumNum (int A, int B)
     cout << endl << "SUMNUM is: "<< A+B;
void SumNum(int A, int B, int C)
     cout << endl << "SUMNUM is: "<< A+B+C;
void SumNum(int A, int B, int C, int D)
     cout << endl << "SUMNUM is: "<< A+B+C+D;
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Template (generic) classes in C++

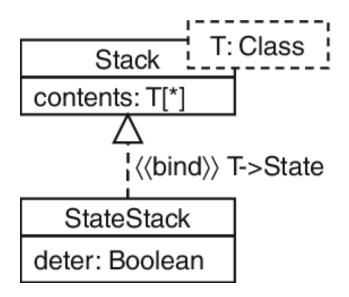


- A template class in C++ is a class that allows the programmer to operate with generic data types
- Allows the class to be used on many different data types as per the requirements without the need of being rewritten for each type
- Consider a **stack** class
 - Develop one for integers?
 - Develop one for a **Book** type?
 - Develop one for Task type?
 - No; develop one class but make the type to be generic

Template classes in UML



• Template or parameterized (or generic) classes in UML



State name: String initial: Boolean final: Boolean

Template classes in ++



```
// C++ Program to Implement stack using Class Templates
    #include <iostream>
    #include <string>
    #define SIZE 5
    // Class to represent stack using template by class
    // taking class in template
    template <class T> class Stack {
        // Public access modifier
    public:
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        // Empty constructor
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        Stack();
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        // To add element to stack which can be any type
        // using stack push() operation
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        void push (T k);
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        // To remove top element from stack
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        // using pop() operation
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        T pop();
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        // To print top element in stack
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        // using peek() method
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        T topElement();
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        // To check whether stack is full
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        // using isFull() method
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        bool isFull();
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        // To check whether stack is empty
        // using isEmpty() method
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        bool isEmpty();
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    private:
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        // Taking data member top
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        int top;
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        // Initialising stack(array) of given size
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        T st[SIZE];
```

40 };

```
// To add element element k to stack
    template <class T> void Stack<T>::push(T k)
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        // Checking whether stack is completely filled
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        if (isFull()) {
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            // Display message when no elements can be pushed
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            // into it
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            cout << "Stack is full\n":
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        // Inserted element
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        cout << "Inserted element " << k << endl;
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7.5
        // Incrementing the top by unity as element
        // is to be inserted
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        top = top + 1;
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        // Now, adding element to stack
        st[top] = k;
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```

```
// Create object of Stack class in main()
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     // Declare objects of type Integer & String
     Stack<int> integer stack;
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     Stack<string> string stack;
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     // Adding elements to integer stack object
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144
     // Custom integer entries
     integer stack.push(2);
145
     integer stack.push(54);
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     integer stack.push(255);
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```

Pure polymorphism



- The previous polymorphic examples (function overloading, operator overloading, and template classes) were handled at compile time
- Pure polymorphism is binding at compile time
 - Dynamic binding
 - Subtyping relationship
 - If S is a subtype of T, the subtyping relation means that any object of type S can safely be used in any context where an object of type T is expected

Pure polymorphism C++ example



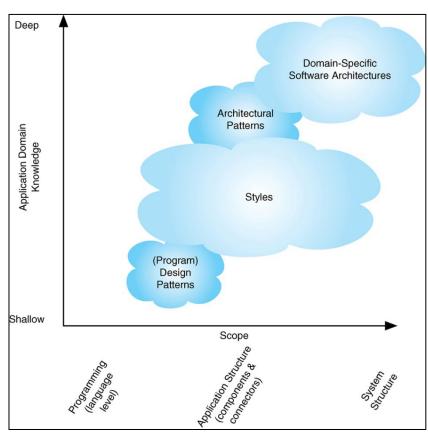
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class Shape
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         //Pure virtual function declaration
        public:
        virtual void display() = 0;
     };
 8
    class Rectangle: public Shape
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11
        public:
12
        void display()
13
             cout << "I'm a Rectangle" << endl;
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16
    };
17
18
    class Circle: public Shape
19
20
        public:
21
        void display()
             cout << "I'm a Circle" << endl;
24
25
    };
```

```
32
    int main()
33
34
        Shape *aptr; //Base class pointer
35
        Rectangle r; //derived class object creation.
36
37
        Circle c; //derived class object creation.
38
39
        aptr = &r;
        aptr->display();
40
41
42
        aptr = &c;
43
        aptr->display();
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        return 0;
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```

Where do software architectures come from?



- Domain-specific software architectures
- Reference architectures
- Architectural styles/patterns
- Architectural styles



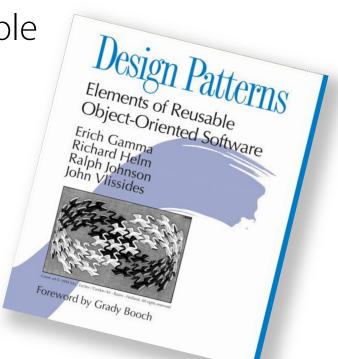
Design patterns

Design patterns



 A design pattern is a general repeatable solution to a commonly occurring problem in software design

- Creational patterns
- Structural patterns
- Behavioral patterns
- Objectives
 - High readability and maintainability
 - High testability
 - High reusability



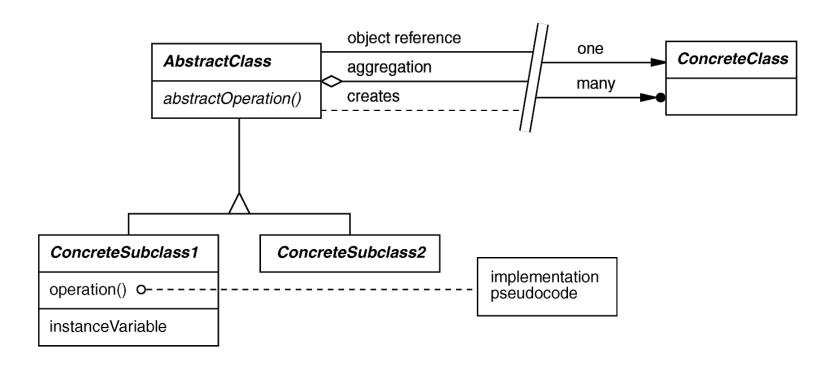
Elements of a design pattern



- Name
 - Describes the pattern
 - Adds to common terminology for facilitating
- Problem
 - Describes when to apply the pattern
- Solution
 - Describes elements, relationships, responsibilities, and collaborations which make up the design
- Consequences
 - Results of applying the pattern
 - Benefits and costs

OMT (UML) notation





Design patterns classification

GoF: Erich Gamma, Richard Helm, Ralph Johnson and John Vlissides

			Purpose	Treplication Coult Bank
		Creational	Structural	Behavioral
	Class	Factory Method	Adapter (class)	Interpreter Template Method
Scope	Object	Abstract Factory Builder Prototype Singleton	Adapter (object) Bridge Composite Decorator Flyweight Facade Proxy	Chain of Responsibility Command Iterator Mediator Memento Observer State Strategy Visitor

Scope: domain over which a pattern applies

Purpose: reflects what a pattern does

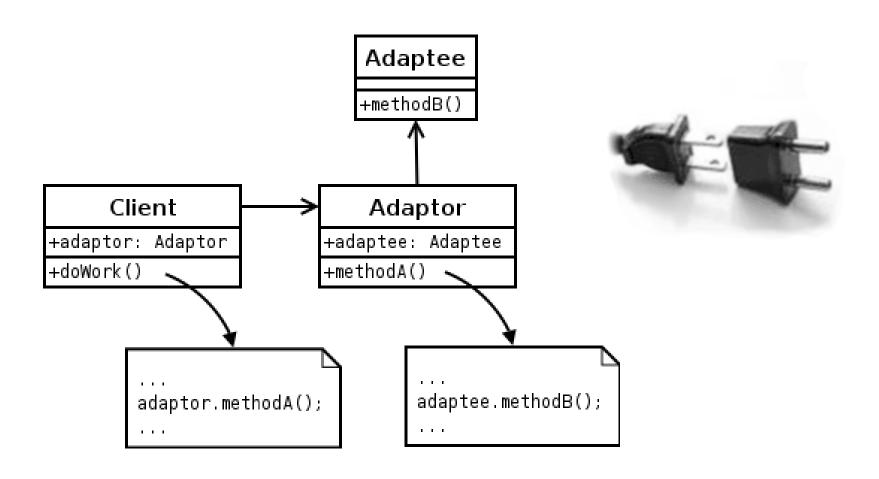
Adapter design pattern



 From the Wikipedia: "the adapter pattern is a software design pattern that allows the interface of an existing class to be used as another interface. It is often used to make existing classes work with others without modifying their source code."

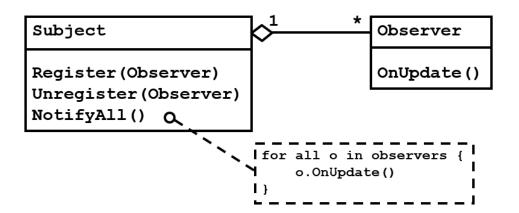
Adapter design pattern (structural)

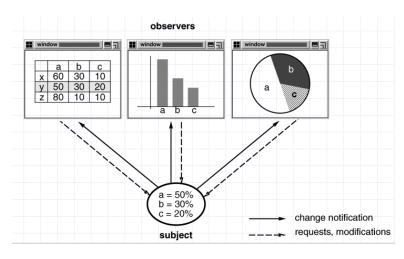




Observer design pattern



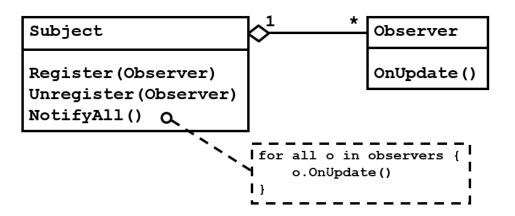




Observer design pattern consequences



- Modularity: subject & observers may vary independently
- Extensibility: can define & add any number of observers
- Customizability: different observers offer different views of subject
- Unexpected updates: observers don't know about each other



Summary



- Some of the fundamental concepts in module design
 - A module
 - * A function
 - * A method
 - * A class
- Design patterns