CS3300 Introduction to Software Engineering

Lecture 13: Design Patterns

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History of Design Patterns

1977
Christopher Alexander introduces the idea of patterns: successful solutions to problems

1987
Ward Cunningham and Kent Beck leverage Alexander's idea in the context of OO language

1987
Erich Gamma's dissertation on importance of patterns and how to capture them

1992
Jim Coplien's book on *Advanced C++ Programming styles and idioms*

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History of Design Patterns

Erich Gamma
Richard Hem
Ralph Johnson
John Vlissides
(gang of four)

Book “Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable OO Software”

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Patterns Catalogue

Fundamental Patterns

- Delegation pattern
- Interface pattern
- Proxy pattern
- …

Creational Patterns

- Abstract Factory pattern
- Factory Method pattern
- Lazy Initialization pattern
- Singleton pattern
- …

Structural Patterns

- Adapter pattern
- Bridge pattern
- Decorator pattern
- …

Behavioral Patterns

- Chain of responsibility pattern
- Iterator pattern
- Observer pattern
- State Pattern
- Strategy pattern
- Visitor pattern
- …

Concurrency Patterns

- Active object pattern
- Monitor object pattern
- Thread pool pattern
- …

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Format (Subset)

Name
Intent
Motivation
Applicability
Structure
Consequences
Implementation
Sample Code
Related Patterns

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Factory Method Pattern- Intent & Applicability

Intent

Allows for creating objects without specifying their class, by invoking a factory method (i.e., a method whose main goal is to create class instances)

Applicability

- Class can’t anticipate the type of objects it must create
- Class wants its subclasses to specify the type of objects it creates
- Class needs control over the creation of its objects

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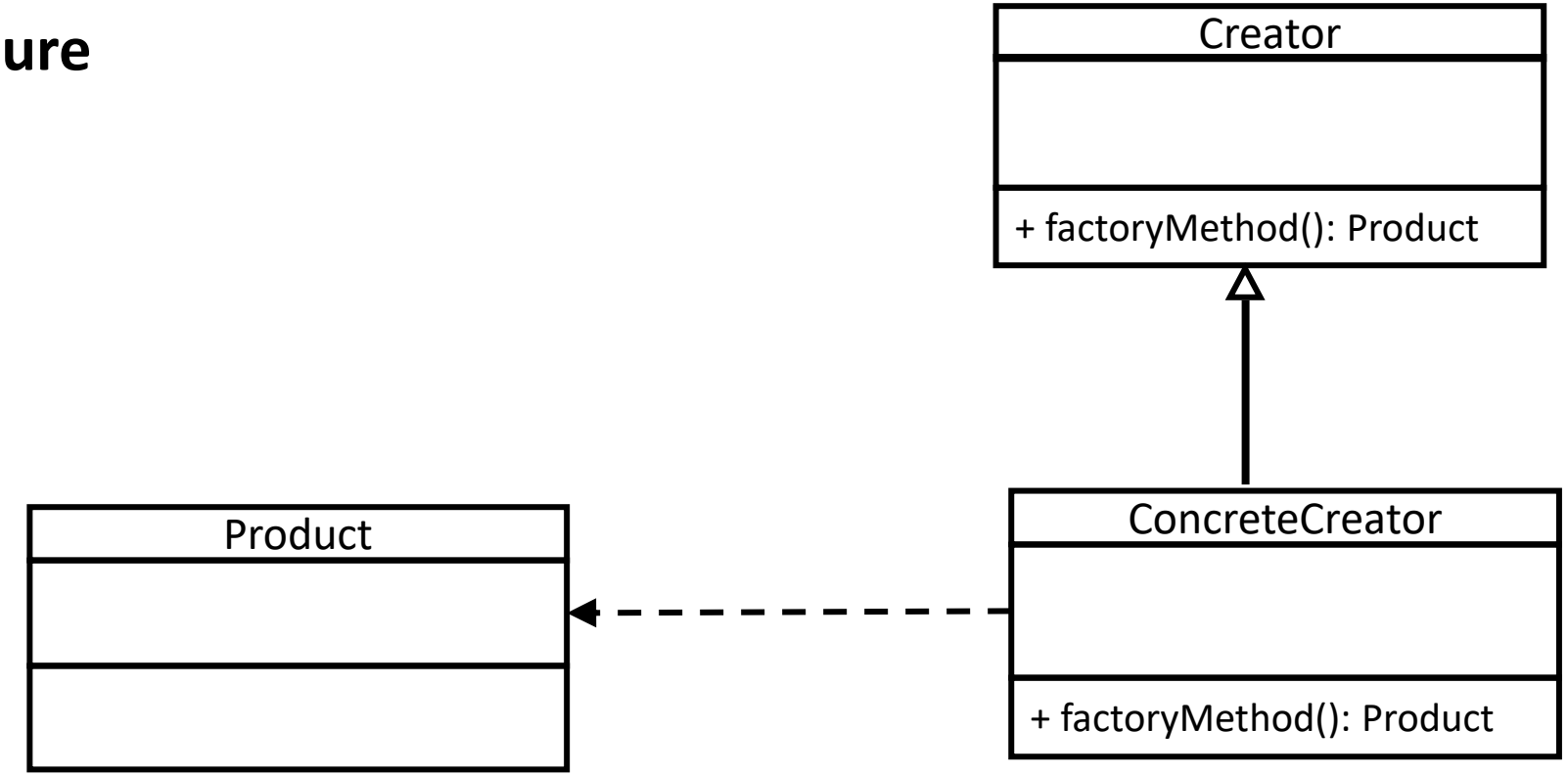
Factory Method Pattern- Structure & Participants

Structure



Participants

Creator: provides interface for factory method
ConcreteCreator: provides method for creating actual object
Product: Object created by the factory method

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Factory Method Pattern - Sample Code

```
public class ImageReaderFactory{
  public static ImageReader createImageReader (InputStream is){
        int imageType = getImageType(is);
        switch(imageType){
          case ImageReaderFactory.GIF
            return new GifReader (is);
          case ImageReaderFactory.JPEG
            return new JpegReader (is);
          }
        }
    }
```

Some other examples and implementation of factory method patterns in Java can be found here and here.

Strategy Pattern- Intent & Applicability

Intent

Allows for switching between different algorithms for accomplishing a task

Applicability

- Different variants of an algorithm
- Many related classes differ only in their behavior

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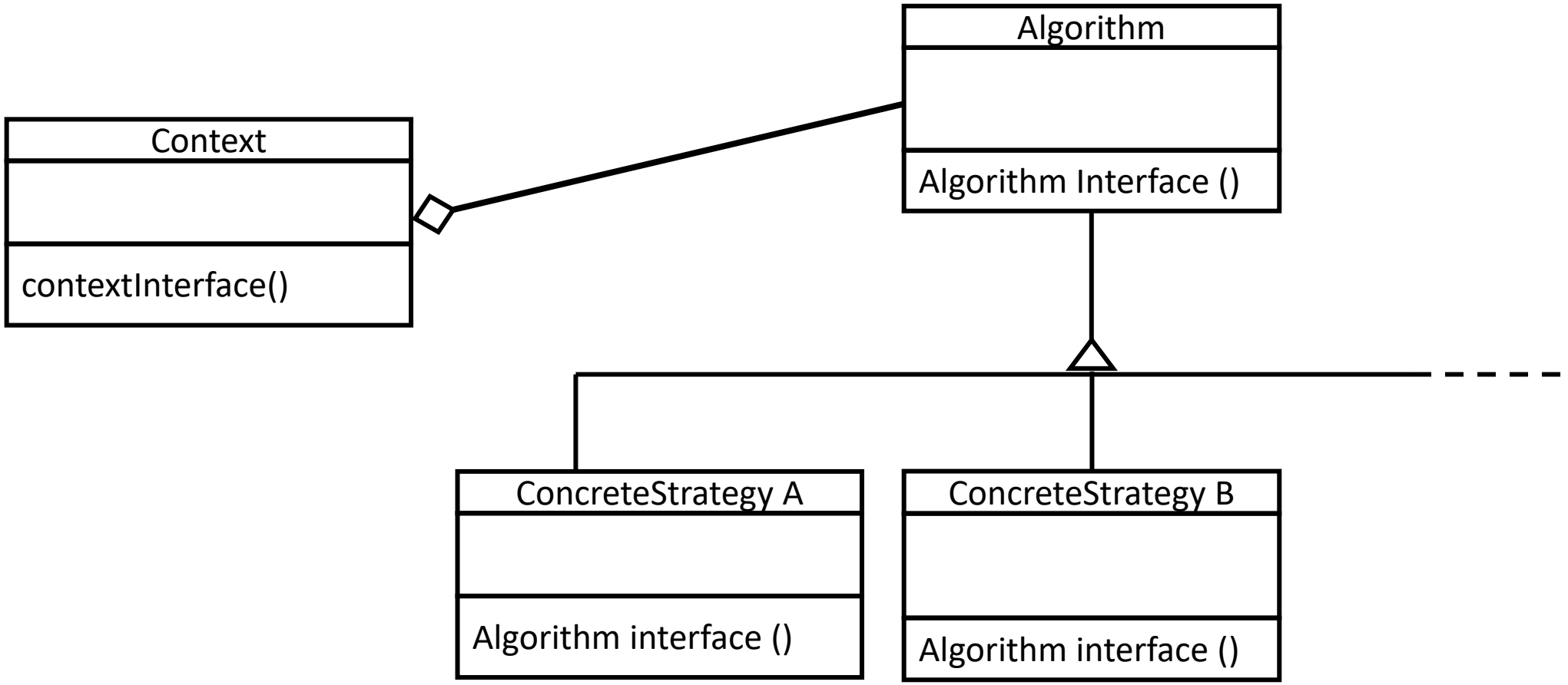
Strategy Pattern- Structure & Participants

Structure



Participants

Context: provides interface to outside world
Algorithm (strategy): common interface for the different algorithms
Concrete Strategy: actual implementation of the algorithms

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Strategy Pattern: Example

Program

Input: Text file
Output: Filtered File

Four filters

No filtering
Only words that start with “t”
Only words longer than 5 characters
Only words that are palindromes

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Strategy Pattern

Example Demo

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Other Common Patterns

Visitor: A way of separating an algorithm from an object structure on which it operates (Example)

Decorator: A wrapper that adds functionality to a class: stackable (Example)

Iterator: Access elements of a collection without knowing underlying representation (Example)

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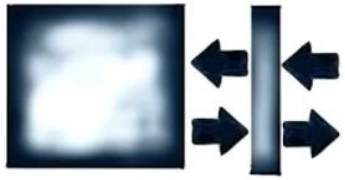
Other Common Patterns

Observer: Notify dependents when object of interest changes



Proxy: Surrogate controls access to an object

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Choosing a Pattern

Approach

- Understand your design context
- Examine the patterns catalogue
- Identify and study related patterns
- Apply suitable pattern

Pitfalls

- Selecting wrong patterns
- Abusing patterns

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Were you paying attention?

Imagine that you have to write a class that can have one instance only. Using one of the design patterns that we discussed in this lesson, write the code of a class with only one method (except for possible constructors) that satisfies this requirement. Make sure to call the class Singleton.

What pattern should be followed?
Factory

```
public class Singleton {
        private static Singleton instance;
        private Singleton() {}
        public static Singleton factory() {
                if (instance == null) {
                        instance = new Singleton();
                }
                return instance;
        }
}
```

Negative Design Patterns

Also in Christopher Alexander's book

How not to (design, manage, etc.)

Also called anti-patterns and bad smells

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