

Refactoring simplifying conditional expressions

SPD 2.31



Warm up

Please improve this code snippet to make it easier to understand.

10 mins

```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin
Fowler.
def send_alert():
 print("alert!")
def check_security(people):
 found = False
 for p in people:
    if not found:
      if p == "Naruto":
         send_alert()
         found = True
      if p == "Goku":
         send alert()
         found = True
check_security(["Kami", "Naruto"])
```

Learning Outcomes



By the end of today, you should be able to...

- Compare and contrast different refactoring techniques for simplifying conditional expressions
- 2. Identify code smells and apply refactoring techniques to improve code quality.

Decompose Conditional



```
if date.before(SUMMER_START) or date.after(SUMMER_END):
 charge = quantity * winter_rate + winter_service_charge
else:
  charge = quantity * summer_rate
```

Decompose Conditional (interim)



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Decompose conditional.
# Code snippet. Non-runnable code.
def not summer(date):
 return date.before(SUMMER START) or date.after(SUMMER END)
def winter charge(quantity):
 return quantity * winter rate + winter service charge
def summer charge(quantity):
 return quantity * summer charge
if (not_summer(date)):
 charge = winter charge(quantity)
else:
 charge = summer charge(quantity)
```

Decompose Conditional (refactored)



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Decompose conditional.
# Code snippet. Non-runnable code.
def summer(date):
 return not (date.before(SUMMER START) or date.after(SUMMER END))
def winter charge(quantity):
 return quantity * winter rate + winter service charge
def summer charge(quantity):
 return quantity * summer charge
if (summer(date)):
 charge = summer charge(quantity)
else:
 charge = winter charge(quantity)
```

Decompose Conditional



You have a complicated conditional (if-then-else) statement → Extract methods from the condition, then part, and else parts.



Solve Exercise 12: 'Decompose Conditional' Technique

Decompose Conditional

12 mins



Consolidate Conditional Expression

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```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Code snippet. Non-runnable code.
def disability amount():
  if seniority < 2:
    return 0
  if months disabled > 12:
    return 0
  if is part time:
    return 0
  # ...Compute the disability amount
```

Consolidate Conditional Expression (refactored)



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Code snippet. Non-runnable code.
# Refactored.
def is not eligable for disability():
  return (seniority < 2 or months disabled > 12 or is part time)
def disability amount():
 if is not eligable for disability():
    return 0
 # Compute the disability amount
```



Consolidate Conditional Expression

10 min

Solve Exercise 14: 'Consolidate Conditional Expression' Technique



Consolidate duplicate conditional fragments



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Consolidate duplicate conditional fragments
# Code snippet. Not runnable.
if (is_special_deal()):
  total = price * 0.95
  send()
else:
  total = price * 0.98
  send()
```



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Consolidate duplicate conditional fragments
# Code snippet. Not runnable.
if (is_special_deal()):
  total = price * 0.95
else:
  total = price * 0.98
send()
```

Consolidate duplicate conditional fragments



The same fragment of code is in all branches of a conditional expression \rightarrow Move it outside of the expression.



Consolidate Duplicate Conditional Fragments

10 min

Solve Exercise 13: 'Consolidate Duplicate Conditional Fragments' Technique.



Break for 10 mins

Get up, stretch, get some water, and relax your mind.





Remove Control Flag



Remove Control Flag



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Remove control flag.
def send_alert():
 print("alert!")
def check_security(people):
  found = False
 for p in people:
    if not found:
      if p == "Naruto":
         send_alert()
         found = True
       if p == "Goku":
         send_alert()
         found = True
check_security(["Kami", "Naruto"])
```

Remove Control Flag (refactored)



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Refactored.
def send_alert():
 print("alert!")
def check_security(people):
 for p in people:
      if p == "Naruto":
         send_alert()
         return
      if p == "Goku":
         send_alert()
         return
check_security(["Kami", "Naruto"])
```

Remove Control Flag



You have a variable that is acting as a control flag for a series of boolean expressions → use a *break* or *return* instead.



Solve Exercise 15: 'Remove Control Flag' Technique

Remove Control Flag

10 mins





```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Code snippet. Not runnable.
def getPayAmount():
 result = 0
 if is dead:
    result = dead amount()
 else:
    if is separated:
      result = separated amount()
    else:
      if is retired:
         result = retired_amount()
      else:
         result = normal pay amount()
 return result
```



```
# Adapted from a Java code in the "Refactoring" book by Martin Fowler.
# Code snippet. Not runnable.
# Refactored.
def get_pay_amount():
 if is_dead:
    return dead_amount()
  if is separated:
    return separated amount()
  if is retired:
    return retired amount()
  return normal_pay_amount()
```



A method has conditional behaviour that does not make clear the normal path of execution. \rightarrow use guard clauses for all the special cases.



10 mins

Solve Exercise 16: 'Replace

Nested Conditional with Gaurd

Clauses' Technique

Summary



- 1. Decompose Conditional
- 2. Consolidate Conditional Expression
- 3. Consolidate Duplicate Conditional Fragments
- 4. Remove Control Flag
- 5. Remove Nested Conditional with Guard Clauses

References and Further Study



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