

# Object Oriented Programming



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# Slum House vs Architected House

- Slum Houses
- Have
  - Have Rooms
  - Have Electricity
  - People Live in there
- Who Designs Them?
- How Much time it takes to build them?
- What's the cost?
- Ask same question for Architected House.

# What would you chose - Slum House vs Architected House?

- Why?
  - Cost
  - Time to Build
- Really?
- Why do you never chose Slum?
  - Better Quality
  - Not used to living in slums?

How come we are not ready  
to live in slum but more than  
ready to write slum code?

**quick dirty code**

# Case Study 1 – Is This Object Oriented Design

- Two objects Employee and File are Interacting
- File is writing the Employee details.

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void main(){  
    Employee emp=new Employee(...);  
    File file=new File ("c:/db/emp.db");  
    file.Write("%s, %s, %s\n", emp.name,  
               emp.id,  
               emp.password);  
}
```

Isn't this  
violation of  
Encapsulation  
???

Is File writing  
Employee or  
String???

We can use OO and still create  
a bad design.

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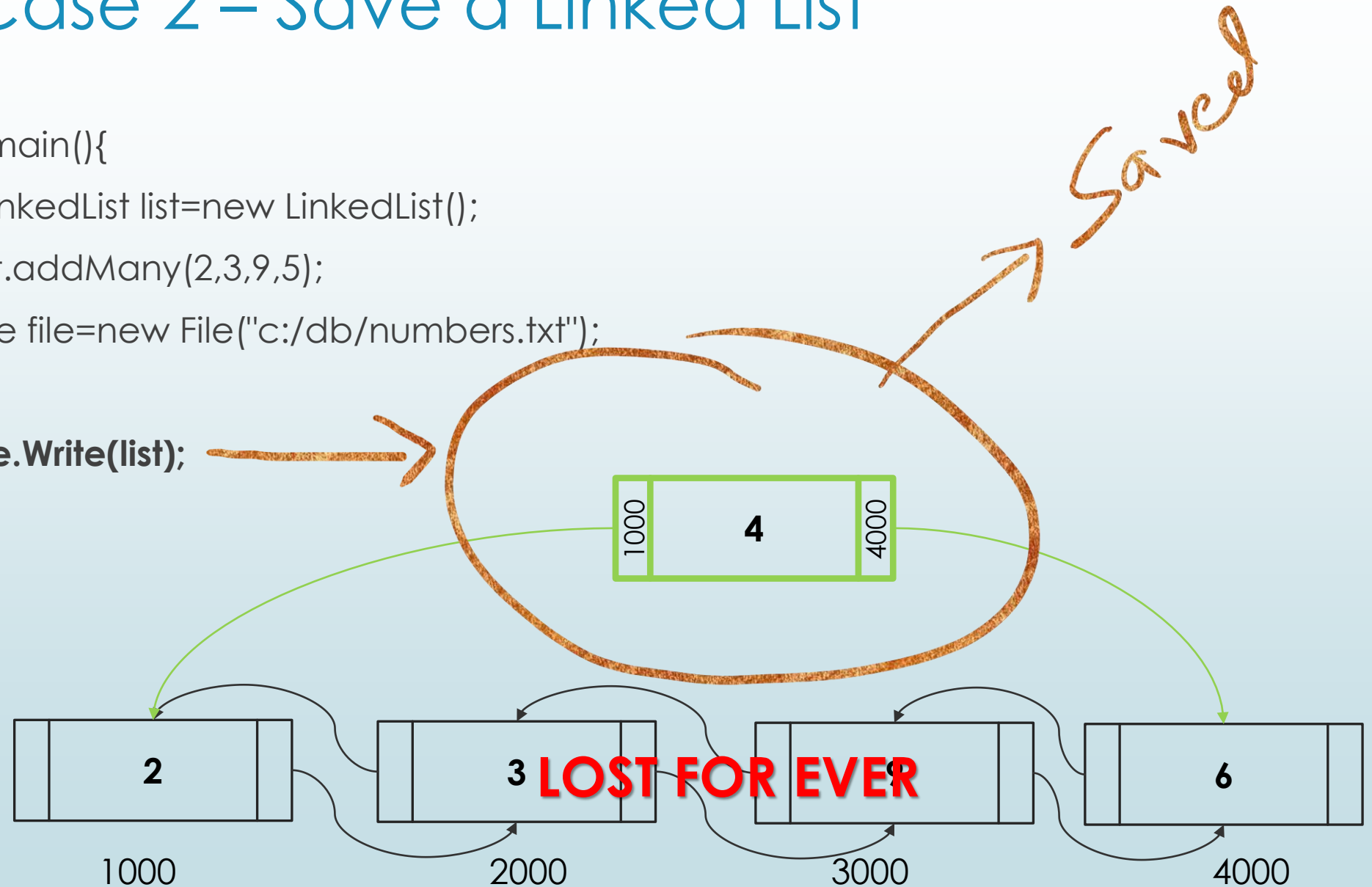
Lets change the  
code

But is this a universal  
solution??

Now file is writing  
the entire Employee  
and not breaking  
Encapsulation

## Case 2 – Save a Linked List

```
void main(){  
    LinkedList list=new LinkedList();  
    list.addMany(2,3,9,5);  
    File file=new File("c:/db/numbers.txt");  
  
    file.Write(list);  
}
```



# What have be Observed?

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NOT  
OO

Works  
Here

What is the  
real  
Defect???

But Not  
Here



# What do we do?

1. Find Next Solution That may work
  - No assurance that the new solution work in next case.
  - This is patch work
  - Avoid
2. Find The Actual Problem
  - Often finding problem is the solution
  - Avoid “You should be doing...” approach.
  - Beware “Often you may be offering your suggestion as problem statement”



# Find the problem

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Hint !!!  
All 3 write has  
same problem

And It has  
nothing to do  
with "Write"

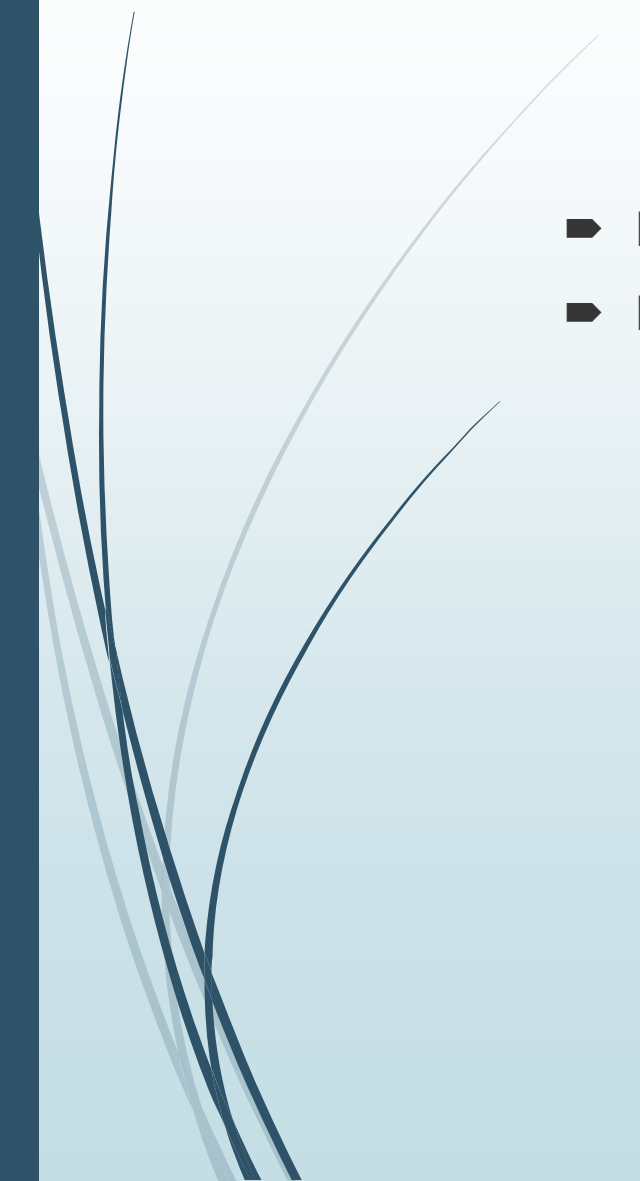


# What's your conclusion???

- We Should Have Write Method in Employee class rather than the File Class.
- You haven't followed Problem Finding Approach.
- You have patched.
- We will revisit this solution soon!!!




# The Real Problem

- File class doesn't have any knowledge about Employee or LinkedList
  - How can we expect File class to handle something it doesn't know about
- 



# Responsibility Theory

- Knowledge is Ownership
  - If you know something you own it.
- Ownership is Responsibility
  - If you know something you are responsible



**Lesson #**  
**The Less you know less you need to  
be responsible about.**

# Where does it lead us?

- Since Employee Object knows its own structure Employee should be responsible for Writing Itself.

```
class Employee{  
    public void WriteTo(File file){  
        file.Write("%s, %s, %s\n", this.name,  
            this.id,  
            this.password);  
    }  
}
```

The same code in  
main is bad as  
main doesn't  
know Employee  
details

But isn't it the  
same code we  
started with???

**#Lesson 1**  
**Its not about executable code. Its  
about responsibility.**

**Ask whose responsibility?**



# Serialization

- When we have a reusable design it makes sense to name it.
- What we used is known as Serialization

***Serialization is an Objects Ability to Persist Itself.  
Deserialization is the reverse of Serialization.***

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But isn't the same  
design we  
reached  
anyway?

**#Lesson 2**  
**Wrong approaches may still lead  
to a seemingly correct design.**



# Points to reconsider

- Which is More correct About:
  - File Knowing Linked List/ Employee details
    - File Doesn't know Employee Details or
    - File Shouldn't know Employee Details
  - Responsibility of writing
    - Employee should know how to write itself or
    - File shouldn't know How to write Employee?



# File Can Know Employee and LinkedList

```
class File{  
    public void Write(Employee emp){  
        //specific logic for Employee  
    }  
  
    public void Write(LinkedList list){  
        //specific logic for Employee  
    }  
}
```

Code works

But File has  
too many  
responsibility

How many more  
object would it  
need to know  
about?



# If it should always be Object to write about itself

- It can
- But what about
  - Writing to Different Targets : File, Database , Cloud etc?
  - Writing in different format : CSV, JSON, XML?



# Takeaway

- File **shouldn't** know the details of Employee and LinkedList
  - File Shouldn't be responsible for writing other Objects
  - It should still exist to implement Generic File Operation
- There are two choices for Writing an Object to File.
  - Object Itself (We already Discussed This)
  - Another Object who is specifically responsible for Writing Object in specific format



# One Object May be Responsible to Write Another Object

```
class EmployeeXmlWriter {  
    public void Write(File file, Employee emp){  
        //specific logic for Employee  
    }  
}  
  
class ListXmlWriter{  
    public void Write(File file, LinkedList list){  
        //specific logic for Employee  
    }  
}
```

# What if **File** object can read other objects details

- In such cases File can write any Object
  - Remember: Knowledge is responsibility
- Modern Language have features like reflection that can Help an object understand another object dynamically
- Still a better idea would be

```
class ObjectXmlWriter
{
    public void Write(File file ,Object anyObject) {...}
}
```



# Lets Redefine Serialization

- *Serialization is the process of Persisting an Object. Deserialization is the reverse of Serialization.*
- *What changed from Original Definition?*
- *Serialization is an Objects Ability to Persist Itself. Deserialization is the reverse of Serialization.*



# Summary

- Just using Object Oriented Construct Doesn't Make an **Object Oriented Design**.
  - We can still write bad code
- Even Bad codes work. They may give desired result.
- A good design is a responsible design.
- Knowledge is Ownership → Ownership is responsibility
- Responsibility may not be vested in object having the property
  - It may be in any object that has the knowledge.
- To Reduce Responsibility you should reduce knowledge.