Untangling Structure from Operations on Business Data



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Two Faces of Abstract Types in Programming

Corresponds to a physical phenomenon

IPainter class represents a *person* who paints the wall

Simplifies another phenomenon (real or not)

IPainter can also be a group of people working together



Composite Pattern

Compose a number of objects into a new object exposing the same public interface.

Composite object looks like a single object

It can receive method calls just like a single object does



Naming Concrete Classes

Give concrete classes meaningful names

lementing an interface

Painter implementing IPainter

ProportionalPainter implements
IPainter and gives it a meaning



Recognizing Non-Object-Oriented Code

Client is doing everything by itself

It should call other objects to do the work instead

The client is complicated

Added requirement asks for added code in the client

It should ask for adding a new class instead

Existing classes should remain the same



Name Classes the Same as You Talk

If talking about painters, avoid presenting IEnumerable <Painter>

Avoid artificial mapping between spoken language and code

We speak of painters, and see the type named Painters



Keep Abstractions Abstract

ProportionalPainter class
didn't tell out
that an object
contains other
objects

Painters class communicates that it contains other objects

Communicate this information only if it helps the client



Should We Expose a Collection?

Are we only interested in having the wall painted?

It's not important if there are multiple painters working

Are we interested to organize workers?

It is important to know how many of them there are



```
painters
    .GetAvailable()
    .GetCheapestOne(sqMeters);
painters
    .FindCheapest(sqMeters);
painters
    // No call to GetAvailable!
    .GetCheapestOne(sqMeters);
```

- Consumer is calling two primitives to complete the operation
 - Isolate available painters
 - Then pick the cheapest one
- Should we add this combination to the Painters class?
- No, feature provider should only expose primitives.
- What if the consumer chooses not to filter unavailable painters out? (E.g. the consumer is investigating the market.)
- ◆ For that reason, do not combine primitives at the providing end.



Delegate vs. Abstract Method

Func/Action Delegate

Delegate can be supplied from the outside

We can extend the implementation without adding new classes

Abstract Method in the Base Class

Abstract method requires a derived class

We have to add new derived classes in order to extend the implementation



Summary



The problem of repeatedly iterating through a sequence

- Wrap the sequence in a class
- Do not expose general-purpose collection methods
- Expose meaningful primitive operations instead

Client code becomes simpler

- Client combines primitive methods and builds larger features



Summary



Composite pattern

- Container exposes the same interface as its contained elements
- Construct a special mapping function
- Maps many objects into a single object of the same kind

Collection vs. Composite idea

- Both are valid and useful

Next module -Turning Algorithms into
Strategy Objects

