Great choice again! Let's now walk through the Factory Design Pattern using the same structured, example-first approach: problem, pattern-based solution, class diagram, runtime behavior, and pros/cons.



# Real-World Example: Notification System

You're building a system that can send different types of notifications:

- **Email**
- **SMS**
- **Push Notification**

Each notification type has its own configuration and behavior.

# X Naive Implementation (Problem)

You might start with something like this:

```
public class NotificationService {
    public void sendNotification(String type) {
        if (type.equals("EMAIL")) {
           new EmailNotification().send();
        } else if (type.equals("SMS")) {
           new SMSNotification().send();
        } else if (type.equals("PUSH")) {
           new PushNotification().send();
    }
```

## **Problems:**

- Tightly coupled to concrete classes
- Violates Open/Closed Principle
- Hard to manage and scale
- Changes in object creation require changes in logic

# Solution: Factory Design Pattern

Instead of creating objects in the NotificationService, we delegate creation to a factory class.

The Factory Pattern encapsulates object creation and returns a **common interface**, so the rest of the system can stay agnostic to the concrete class.

# Pattern Breakdown

## **♦ Step 1: Define Common Interface**

```
public interface Notification {
    void send();
}
```

## Step 2: Create Concrete Notification Types

```
public class EmailNotification implements Notification {
    public void send() {
        System.out.println("Sending Email Notification");
    }
}

public class SMSNotification implements Notification {
    public void send() {
        System.out.println("Sending SMS Notification");
    }
}

public class PushNotification implements Notification {
    public void send() {
        System.out.println("Sending Push Notification");
    }
}
```

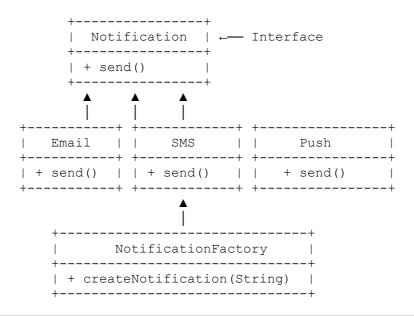
## **♦ Step 3: Factory Class to Create Notifications**

```
public class NotificationFactory {
    public static Notification createNotification(String type) {
        switch (type.toUpperCase()) {
            case "EMAIL": return new EmailNotification();
            case "SMS": return new SMSNotification();
            case "PUSH": return new PushNotification();
            default: throw new IllegalArgumentException("Invalid type");
        }
    }
}
```

## **♦** Step 4: Use Factory in Client Code

```
Notification notification =
NotificationFactory.createNotification("EMAIL");
notification.send(); // Output: Sending Email Notification
```

# **L** Class Diagram



# Runtime Usage

Notification n1 = NotificationFactory.createNotification("SMS"); n1.send(); // Sending SMS Notification Notification n2 = NotificationFactory.createNotification("PUSH"); n2.send(); // Sending Push Notification

# **Senefits** Gained

## **Benefit** Explanation

Centralized object creation All instantiations handled in one place

✓ Loose coupling Client code depends only on the interface

Scalable Add new types with minimal changes

✓ Open/Closed Principle Factory grows without modifying clients

# X Drawbacks

### **Drawback** Solution

X Uses conditionals Can replace with Reflection or Factory Registry

X One factory for many objects may Use Abstract Factory or split factories by category grow big ■

## **Drawback** Solution

X Logic spread in switch-case

Use Map<String, Supplier<Notification>> for extensibility

# **Summary Table**

**Aspect** Description

Pattern Name Factory

IntentDelegate object creation to a separate componentUse CasesNotification system, shape creation, parsers, DAOs

**Key Benefit** Decouples object creation from usage **Core Principle** Encapsulation of instantiation logic

Would you like a visual illustration of how the factory returns different objects at runtime (like a vending machine analogy)?

Perfect! You're asking for a more **scalable and extensible version** of the Factory Pattern — often called the **Registry-based Factory**.

This approach avoids switch-cases entirely and allows each implementation to self-register to a factory map, making it Open/Closed Principle compliant.

# **✓** Advanced Scalable Factory: Registry-Based Implementation

## **©** Real-World Case: Notification System

We'll allow new notification types to register themselves with the factory.

This allows your factory to stay **unchanged**, no matter how many new types you add later.

# Step-by-Step Implementation

## Step 1: Common Interface

```
public interface Notification {
    void send();
}
```

## **♦ Step 2: Factory with Registry Map**

```
public class NotificationFactory {
    private static final Map<String, Supplier<Notification>> registry = new
HashMap<>();

    public static void register(String type, Supplier<Notification>
supplier) {
        registry.put(type.toUpperCase(), supplier);
    }

    public static Notification createNotification(String type) {
        Supplier<Notification> supplier = registry.get(type.toUpperCase());
        if (supplier == null) {
             throw new IllegalArgumentException("No such notification type
registered: " + type);
        }
        return supplier.get();
    }
}
```

## Step 3: Concrete Implementations Self-Register

```
public class EmailNotification implements Notification {
    static {
        NotificationFactory.register("EMAIL", EmailNotification::new);
    public void send() {
        System.out.println("Sending Email Notification");
    }
}
public class SMSNotification implements Notification {
    static {
        NotificationFactory.register("SMS", SMSNotification::new);
    public void send() {
        System.out.println("Sending SMS Notification");
    }
}
public class PushNotification implements Notification {
    static {
        NotificationFactory.register("PUSH", PushNotification::new);
    public void send() {
        System.out.println("Sending Push Notification");
}
```

## ◆ Step 4: Usage

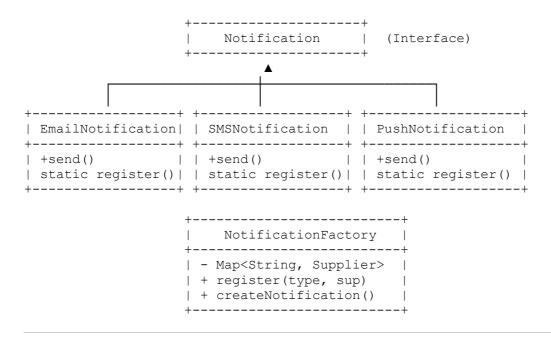
You just need to ensure classes are loaded (e.g., force-load them once via Class.forName or load all from a package dynamically).

```
public class Client {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Optionally force class loading
        try {
            Class.forName("EmailNotification");
            Class.forName("SMSNotification");
            Class.forName("PushNotification");
        } catch (ClassNotFoundException e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }

        Notification notif =
NotificationFactory.createNotification("email");
        notif.send(); // Sending Email Notification
        Notification notif2 =
NotificationFactory.createNotification("push");
```

```
notif2.send(); // Sending Push Notification
}
```

# Updated Class Diagram



# **Benefits of This Approach**

**Benefit** Explanation

☑ Extensible Add new types without touching the factory

Clean & DRY Avoids switch-cases and if-else chains

Open/Closed Principle Fully respected — factory never changes

☑ Decoupled Factory doesn't know concrete implementations

✓ Runtime Dynamic
New notification types can be loaded via config or plugins

# X Potential Drawbacks

## **Drawback** Solution

⚠ Class loading required Force load via reflection or Spring-like scanning

Harder to trace control flow Use logging during registration

A Registry may become global Can encapsulate it within a DI container



**Aspect** Value

**Pattern** Registry-based Factory

Use Case Dynamically load and register object creators

Best For Plugin-based systems, extensible modules, scalable object creation

Core Idea Delegate instantiation to registered suppliers in a map

Would you like a **visual image of this registration mechanism**, showing how each class self-registers into the central factory?