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# Today

- Short introduction to ANTLR
- Visitor Pattern



# ANTLR

- ANTLR (ANother Tool for Language Recognition) is parser generator
- ANTLR generates a parser from the grammar
- It can be used to walk the parse trees, or
- Generate an abstract syntax tree

# Grammar Example

- Define a simple data structure representing a Json tree
- Keys are strings and values can be strings, numbers (integers) or Json objects
- Use ANTLR to generate a Json tree
- Example: `{"Set":{"I am":"here", "You are":"cow"}, "world":313, "bye":"home"}`

# Grammar Example

```
public abstract class JsonTree {  
  
    public abstract Object accept(Visitor visitor);  
  
    public static class Str extends JsonTree {  
        String str;  
        public Str(String str) { this.str = str; }  
        public String getStr() {  
            return str;  
        }  
        @Override  
        public Object accept(Visitor visitor) { return visitor.visit(e: this); }  
    }  
  
    public static class Num extends JsonTree {  
        int num;  
        public Num(int num) { this.num = num; }  
        public int getNum() { return num; }  
        @Override  
        public Object accept(Visitor visitor) { return visitor.visit(e: this); }  
    }  
  
    public static class Dict extends JsonTree {  
        List<Pair> pairs;  
        public Dict(List<Pair> pairs) {  
            this.pairs = pairs;  
        }  
        public List<Pair> getPairs() {  
            return pairs;  
        }  
        @Override  
        public Object accept(Visitor visitor) { return visitor.visit(e: this); }  
    }  
}
```

# Grammar Example

```
grammar JSON;
// GRAMMAR RULES
json
: dict
;
dict
: '{' pair (',' pair)* '}'
;
pair
: '"' STRING '"' ':' value
;
value
: str
| num
| dict
;
str
: '"' STRING '"'
;
num
: NUMBER
;
// LEXER TOKENS
STRING
: (ESC | SAFECODEPOINT)*
;
fragment ESC
: '\\' (["\\/bfnrt] | UNICODE)
;
fragment UNICODE
: 'u' HEX HEX HEX HEX
;
fragment HEX
: [0-9a-fA-F]
;
fragment SAFECODEPOINT
: ~ ["\\u0000-\\u001F]
;
NUMBER
: INT
;
fragment INT
: '0' | [1-9] [0-9]*
;
// \- since - means "range" inside [...]
WS
: [ \t\n\r] + -> skip
;
```

# Adding Actions

```
grammar JSON;
// GRAMMAR RULES

Json returns [Dict ast] :
    d = dict { $ast = $d.ast; } // return the ast parsed for the dictionary
    ;

dict returns [Dict ast]
    locals [ArrayList<Pair> list]
    @init {$list = new ArrayList<Pairs>(); }
    : '{' p=pair { $list.add($p.ast); }
      (',' p=pair { $list.add($p.ast); } ) *
    '}' { $ast = new Dict($list); }
    | '{' '}' { $ast = new Dict($list); }
    ;

pair returns [Pair ast]
    : s="'" STRING "'" ':' v=value { $ast = new Pair($s.text, $v.ast); }
    ;

;

value returns [JsonTree ast]
    : s=str { $ast = $s.ast; }
    | n=num { $ast = $n.ast; }
    | d=dict { $ast = $d.ast; }
    ;

str returns [Str ast]
    : s="'" STRING "'" { $ast = new Str($s.text); }
    ;

num returns [Num ast]
    : n=NUMBER { $ast = new Num(Integer.valueOf($n.text)); }
    ;
```

# Grammar Rules Components

- Return type
  - dict returns [Dict ast]
- We can define local variables
  - locals [ArrayList<Pair> list]
- We have to initialize them
  - @init { \$list = new ArrayList<Pairs>(); }
- An element of the expression can have an action
  - p=pair { \$list.add(\$p.ast); }
- Each rule can have a final action
  - { \$ast = new Dict(\$list); }

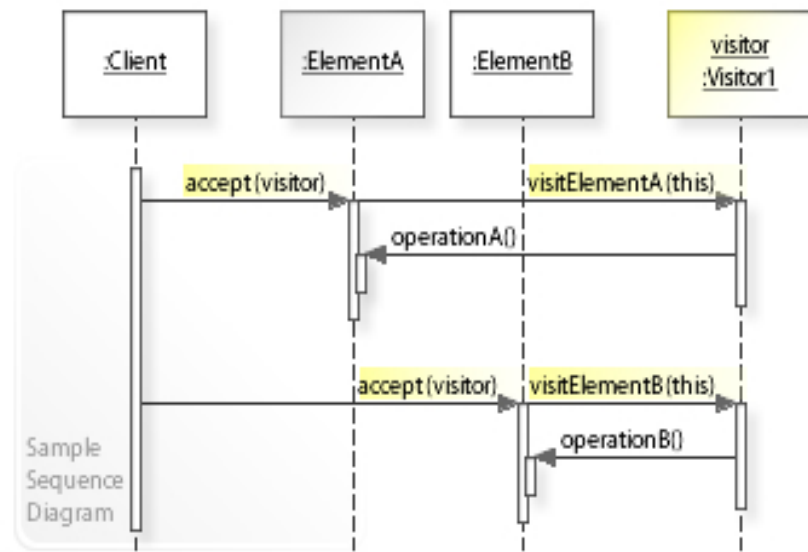
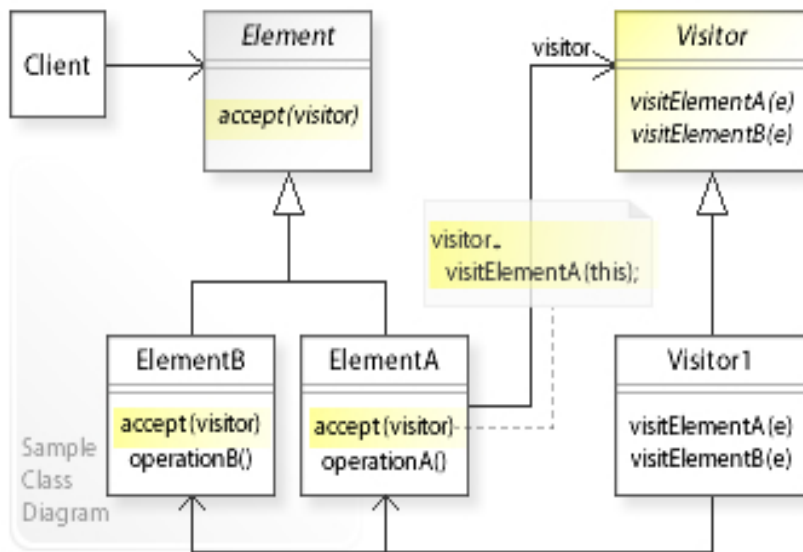




# Visitor Pattern

- Object-oriented design pattern
- Allow to add new operations to existent object structures without modifying the structures
- A client accepts a visitor and a visitor traverses the object structure calling *accept(visitor)*
- *The visitor performs operations on the element*

# Visitor Pattern





# Visitor Example

- Define a simple data structure representing a Json tree
- We support strings, numbers (integers) and Json objects
- We will implement the Json tree to support the visitor pattern

# Visitor Example

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    }  
}
```

# Visitor Example

```
public interface Visitor<T> {  
    public T visit(Str e);  
    public T visit(Num e);  
    public T visit(Dict e);  
}
```



# Visitor Example

- Implement a visitor to return a string representation of the json object
- The visitor StringifyVisitor implements all the visit methods defined in the interface
- The value it returns is a string

# Visitor Example

```
public class StringifyVisitor implements JsonTree.Visitor<String> {
    @Override
    public String visit(JsonTree.Str e) {
        return "\"" + e.getStr() + "\"";
    }

    @Override
    public String visit(JsonTree.Num e) {
        return "" + e.getNum();
    }

    @Override
    public String visit(JsonTree.Dict e) {
        StringBuilder tokens = new StringBuilder("{");
        for (int i = 0; i < e.getPairs().size(); i++) {
            JsonTree.Pair pair = e.getPairs().get(i);
            tokens.append "\"" + pair.getKey() + "\""
                .append(":")
                .append(pair.getValue().accept(visitor: this));
            if (i < e.getPairs().size() - 1) {
                tokens.append(", ");
            }
        }

        return tokens.append("}").toString();
    }
}
```