Strategy Pattern

A Strategy Pattern says that "defines a family of functionality, encapsulate each one, and make them interchangeable".

The Strategy Pattern is also known as Policy.

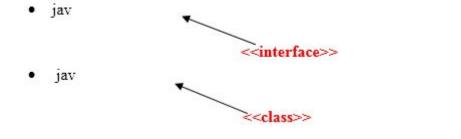
Benefits:

- It provides a substitute to subclassing.
- It defines each behavior within its own class, eliminating the need for conditional statements.
- It makes it easier to extend and incorporate new behavior without changing the application.

Usage:

- When the multiple classes differ only in their behaviors.e.g. Servlet API.
- It is used when you need different variations of an algorithm.

Strategy Pattern in (Core Java API's) or JSE 7 API's:

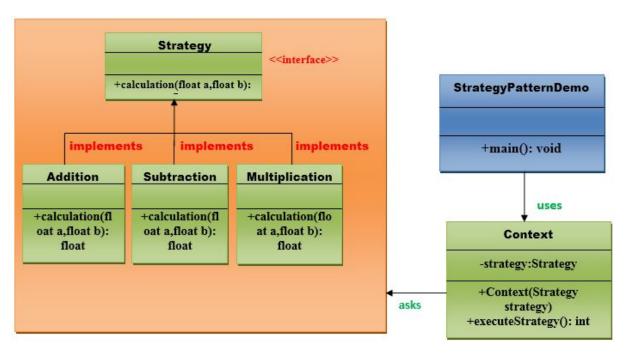


Strategy Pattern in (Advance Java API's) or JEE 7 API's:

• javax.



UML for Strategy Pattern:



Implementation of Strategy Pattern:

Step 1:

Create a Strategy interface.

- 1. //This is an interface.
- 2.
- 3. **public interface** Strategy {
- 4.
- public float calculation(float a, float b);
- 6.
- 7. }// End of the Strategy interface.

Step 2:

Create a Addition class that will implement Startegy interface.

1. //This is a class.

```
    public class Addition implements Strategy{
    @Override
    public float calculation(float a, float b) {
    return a+b;
    }
    End of the Addition class.
```

Step 3:

Create a Subtraction class that will implement Startegy interface.

```
    //This is a class.
    public class Subtraction implements Strategy{
    @Override
    public float calculation(float a, float b) {
    return a-b;
    }
    }// End of the Subtraction class.
```

Step 4:

Create a Multiplication class that will implement Startegy interface.

```
    //This is a class.
    public class Multiplication implements Strategy{
    @Override
    public float calculation(float a, float b){
    return a*b;
    }
    // End of the Multiplication class.
```

Step 5:

Create a *Context* class that will ask from Startegy interface to execute the type of strategy.

1. //This is a class.

```
2.
   3.
   4. public class Context {
   5.
   6.
           private Strategy strategy;
   7.
   8.
           public Context(Strategy strategy){
   9.
             this.strategy = strategy;
   10.
           }
   11.
   12.
           public float executeStrategy(float num1, float num2){
   13.
             return strategy.calculation(num1, num2);
   14.
           }
   15. }// End of the Context class.
Step 6:
Create a StartegyPatternDemo class.
   1. //This is a class.
   2. import java.io.BufferedReader;
   3. import java.io.IOException;
   4. import java.io.InputStreamReader;
   5.
   6. public class StrategyPatternDemo {
   7.
   8.
         public static void main(String[] args) throws NumberFormatException,
      IOException {
   9.
   10.
             BufferedReader br=new BufferedReader(new
      InputStreamReader(System.in));
   11.
             System.out.print("Enter the first value: ");
   12.
             float value1=Float.parseFloat(br.readLine());
   13.
             System.out.print("Enter the second value: ");
   14.
             float value2=Float.parseFloat(br.readLine());
   15.
             Context context = new Context(new Addition());
             System.out.println("Addition = " + context.executeStrategy(value1,
   16.
      value2));
   17.
```

```
18. context = new Context(new Subtraction());
19. System.out.println("Subtraction = " + context.executeStrategy(value1, value2));
20.
21. context = new Context(new Multiplication());
22. System.out.println("Multiplication = " + context.executeStrategy(value1, value2));
23. }
24.
25. }// End of the StrategyPatternDemo class.
```