

G52APR

Applications Programming

Introduction to Patterns

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0. Design Patterns

- What are design patterns?
 - Design patterns are language-independent strategies for solving common problems.
- Specifically here..
 - Design patterns are language-independent strategies for solving common *object-oriented design problems*.

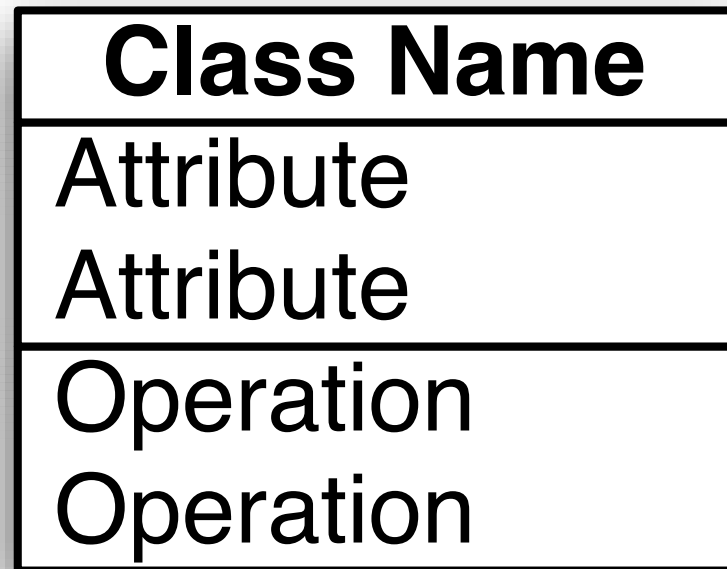
Design Patterns

- How many design patterns?
 - Many.
- Why use design patterns?
 - Solutions to complex problems
 - Code reuse
 - To be a good Java developer
- Knowledge of them means:
 - Shared language
 - Solution at hand

Unified Modeling Language

- UML
- Not going to cover it in detail in this module,
- except it provides a notation for us to draw diagrams of classes

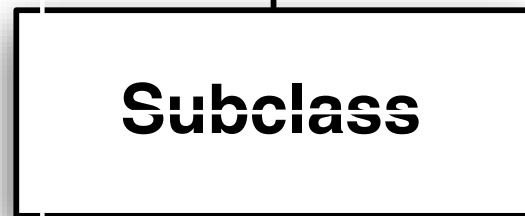
UML representation for a class



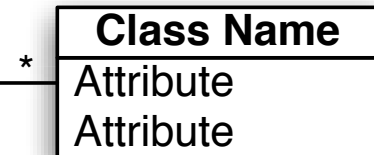
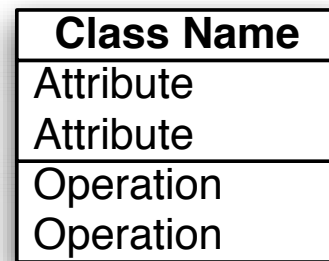
UML Notation

- Association — line between two classes
- Aggregation — line with diamond
- Composition — line with filled diamond
- Inheritance — line with arrow
- Can add notes to say one-to-many etc

UML Class Diagram

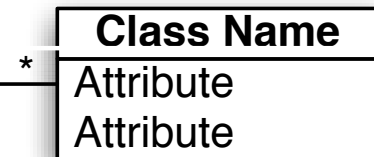
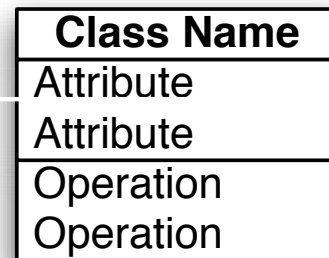


Inheritance



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Aggregation



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Composition

1. Singleton Pattern

- Sometimes we only want a single occurrence of an object.
- We could politely ask programmers not to create more than one.
- Better is to enforce this (defensive programming?)
- How do we enforce this?

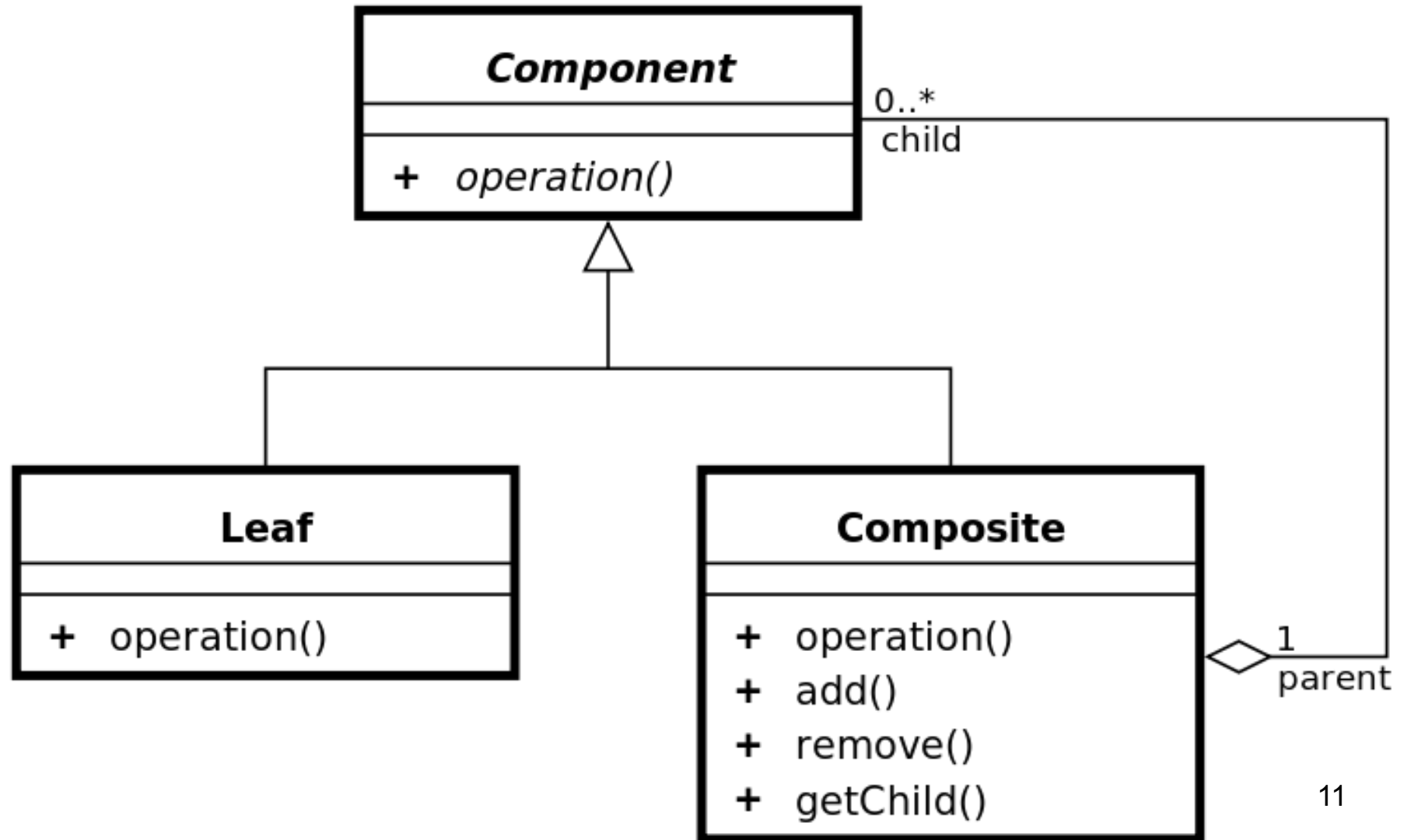
2. Composite Pattern

- ***The Composite Pattern*** allows you to compose objects into tree structures to represent part-whole hierarchies. Composite lets clients treat individual and collections of objects uniformly.

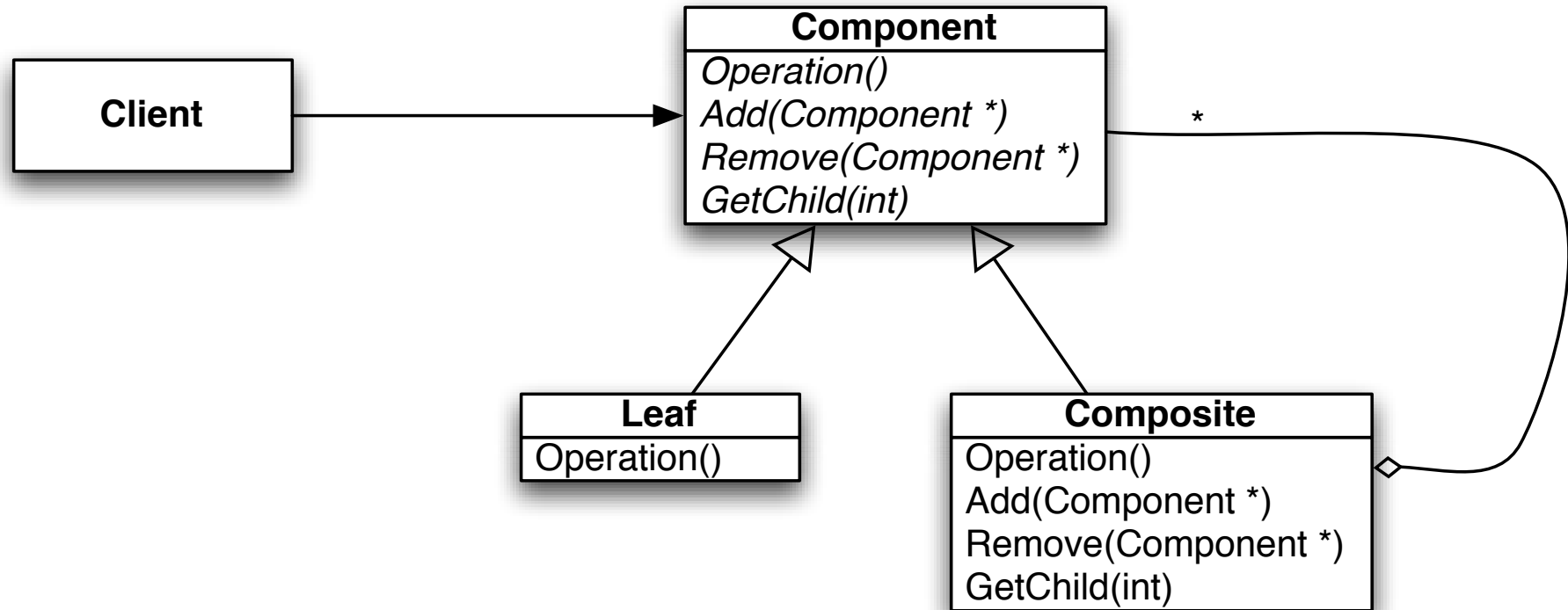
Composite Terminology

- Client — Code that manipulates the object in composition uses the...
- Component — interface for all objects in the composition
- Composite — component with children
- Leaf — primitive component

Composite Pattern



Alternative Composite UML diagram



Composite Notes

```
/** Client */  
public class Program {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        //Initialize four ellipses  
        Ellipse ellipse1 = new Ellipse();  
        Ellipse ellipse2 = new Ellipse();  
        Ellipse ellipse3 = new Ellipse();  
        Ellipse ellipse4 = new Ellipse();  
  
        //Initialize three composite graphics  
        CompositeGraphic graphic = new CompositeGraphic();  
        CompositeGraphic graphic1 = new CompositeGraphic();  
        CompositeGraphic graphic2 = new CompositeGraphic();  
  
        //Composes the graphics  
        graphic1.add(ellipse1);  
        graphic1.add(ellipse2);  
        graphic1.add(ellipse3);  
  
        graphic2.add(ellipse4);  
  
        graphic.add(graphic1);  
        graphic.add(graphic2);  
  
        //Prints the complete graphic (four times the string "Ellipse").  
        graphic.print();  
    }  
}
```

Composite Example

```
/** "Component" */  
interface Graphic {
```

```
    //Prints the graphic.  
    public void print();  
}
```

```
/** "Leaf" */  
class Ellipse implements Graphic {
```

```
    //Prints the graphic.  
    public void print() {  
        System.out.println("Ellipse");  
    }  
}
```

```
/** "Composite" */
import java.util.List;
import java.util.ArrayList;
class CompositeGraphic implements Graphic {

    //Collection of child graphics.
    private List<Graphic> childGraphics = new ArrayList<Graphic>();

    //Prints the graphic.
    public void print() {
        for (Graphic graphic : childGraphics) {
            graphic.print();
        }
    }

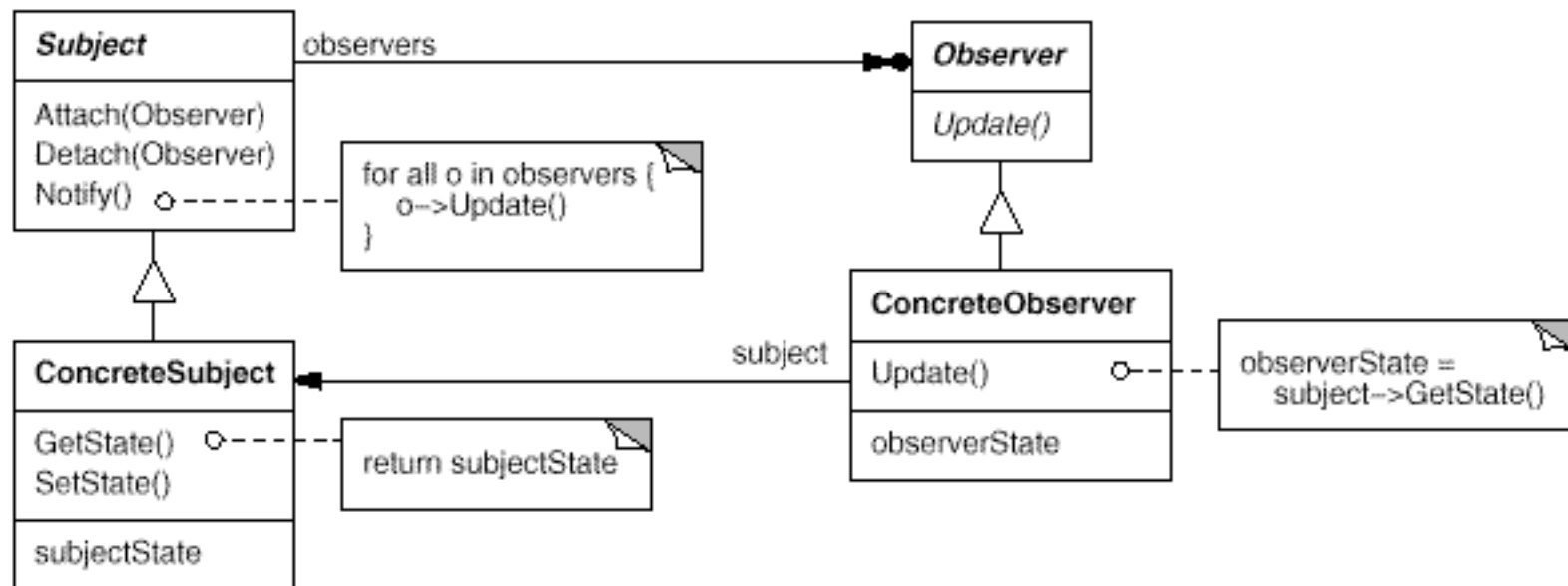
    //Adds the graphic to the composition.
    public void add(Graphic graphic) {
        childGraphics.add(graphic);
    }

    //Removes the graphic from the composition.
    public void remove(Graphic graphic) {
        childGraphics.remove(graphic);
    }
}
```


3 Observer Pattern

- Motivation:

Observer Pattern UML diagram



Observer Pattern Example

- This is the Observer and Singleton Pattern from class
 - (Note code is not optimally formatted so it fits on one slide per class)

Application.java

```
public class Application {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        DataSource ds = DataSource.getDataSource();  
        View v = new View("alpha");  
  
        ds.addObserver(v);  
        ds.setData("first change");  
        ds.addObserver(new View("beta"));  
        ds.setData("second change");  
  
        ds.deleteObserver(v);  
  
        ds.setData("third change");  
    }  
}
```

DataSource.java

```
import java.util.Observable;

public class DataSource extends Observable {
    private static DataSource dataSource;           // Singleton Pattern
    private String data;

    private DataSource() { this.data = "initialised"; }
    public String getData() { return data; }

    public void setData(String data) {
        this.data = data;
        setChanged();
        notifyObservers(data);                     // Observer Pattern
    }

    public static synchronized DataSource getDataSource() { // Singleton Pattern
        if (dataSource == null) { dataSource = new DataSource(); }
        return dataSource;
    }
}
```

View.java

```
import java.util.Observable;
import java.util.Observer;

public class View implements Observer {
    private String name;

    public View(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }

    public void update(Observable arg0, Object arg1) {
        System.out.println("View " + name +
            ": observed value is " + arg1 + "");
    }
}
```

4. Decorator Pattern

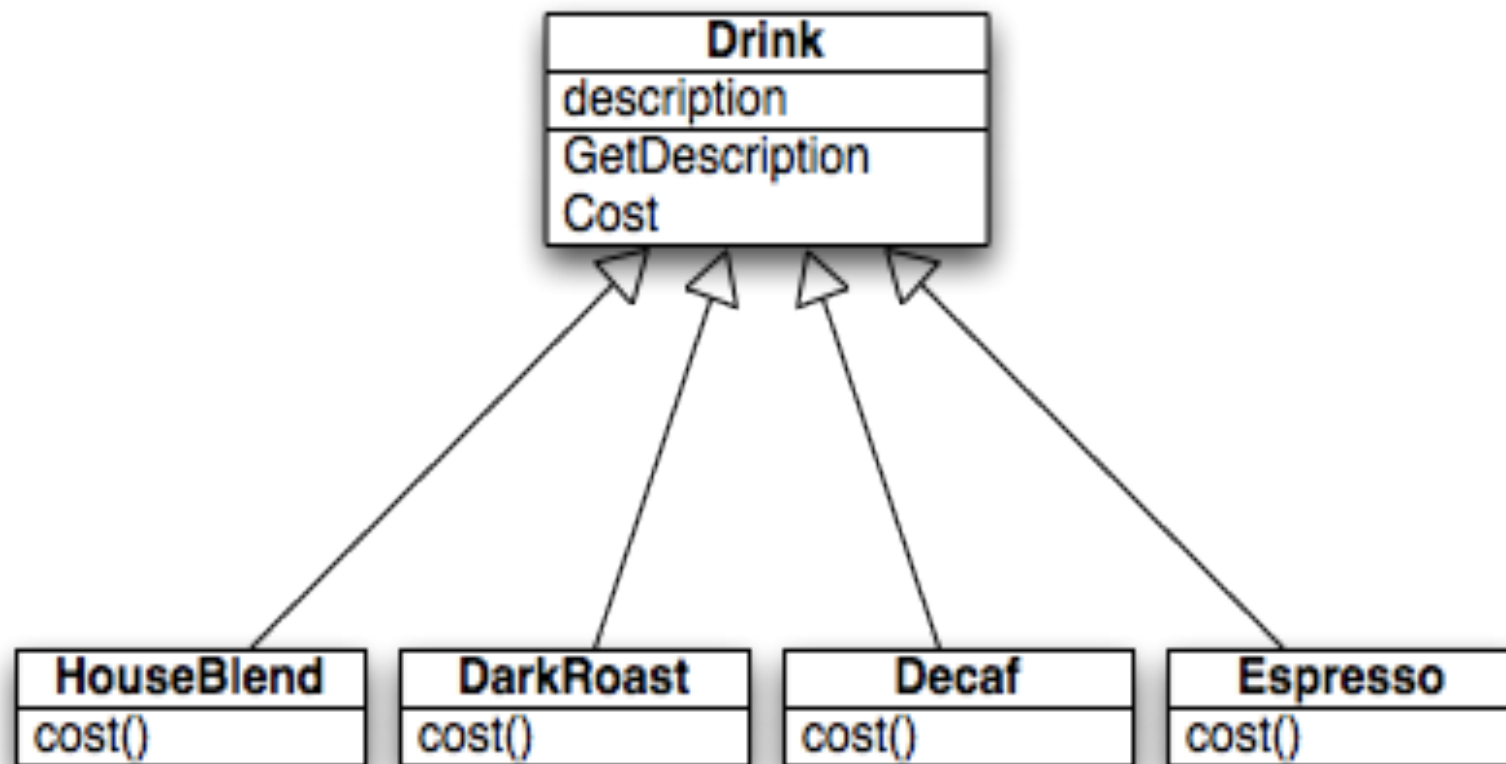
- Used to deal with the situation when you'd end up with a large number of similar classes
- See also a good explanation using Java I/O as an example at <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/6366385/decorator-pattern-for-io>
- Think about if we were to model the software system in a cafe
 - Each drink would have a different class

Design principle

- “Favour composition over inheritance”
- **Composition**
 - Inheritance is fixed at compile time
 - Composed objects can be changed

Drinks

- Coffees
 - House Blend
 - Dark Roast
 - Decaf
 - Espresso
- Toppings
 - Mocha
 - Steamed Milk
 - Soy
 - Whip



```
public class Drink
{
    protected String description;

    public String getDescription()
    {
        return description;
    }

    public abstract double cost();
}
```

```
public class HouseBlend extends Drink {  
    private float cost = 0.89;  
  
    public HouseBlend() {  
        description = "House Blend";  
    }  
  
    public double cost() {  
        return cost;  
    }  
}
```

Toppings

- What about the Toppings?
- Inherit the various types?
 - EspressoWithMocha
 - DarkRoastWithSteamedMilk
 - ...
- Implementation as before



Class Explosion

- Where did all these classes come from?
 - 16 combination of toppings
 - 4 drinks
 - 64 different classes to implement
- Maintenance nightmare!
 - What if the cost of Mocha topping goes up?
- Expanding difficulty.
 - A new coffee means 16 new classes
 - A new topping means ≥ 64 new classes

Favour Composition

- Inheritance 64 — Composition 0
- Nothing is encapsulated
 - o DarkRoastWithMocha
 - o HouseBlendWithMocha
 - o HouseBlendWithSteamedMilk
- No Code Reuse...

Inheritance

- Inheritance is powerful
- Doesn't always lead to flexible designs
- Can 'inherit' behaviour at runtime via composition

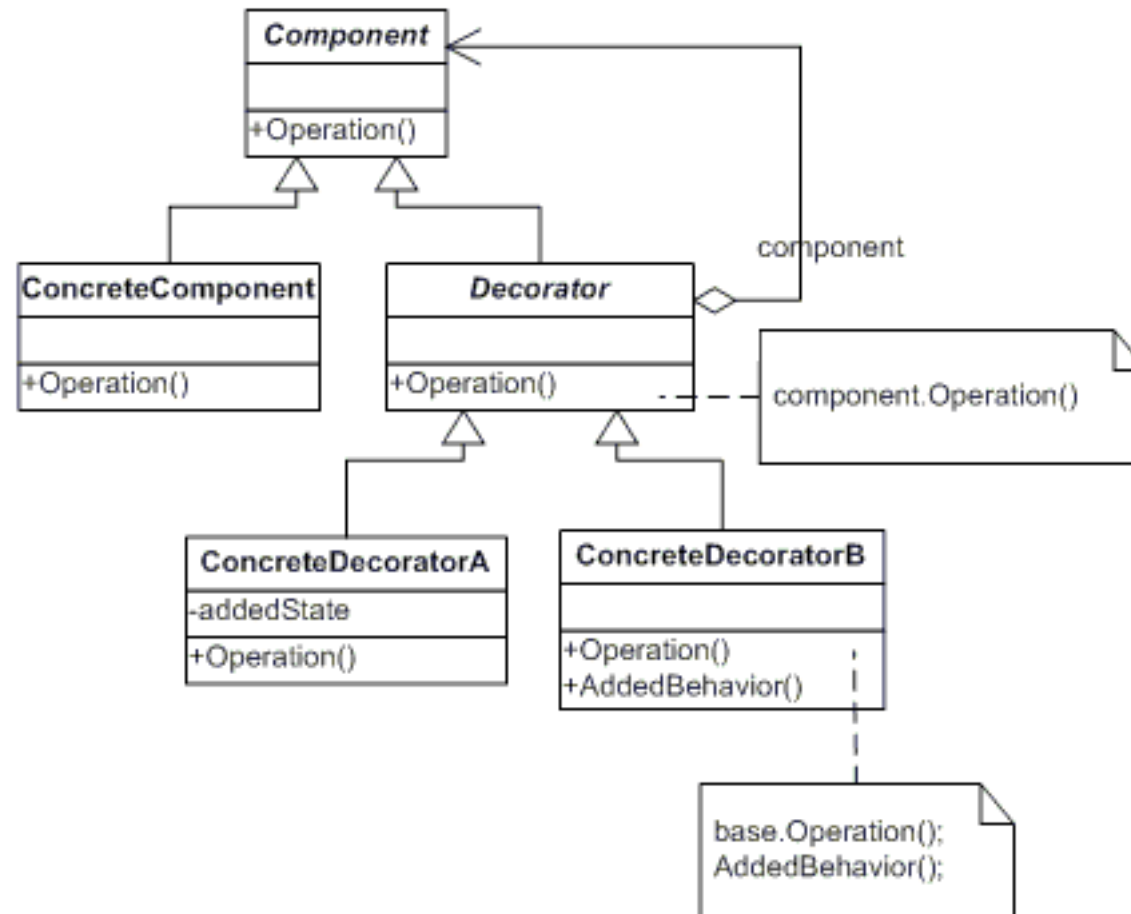
Inherit or Compose

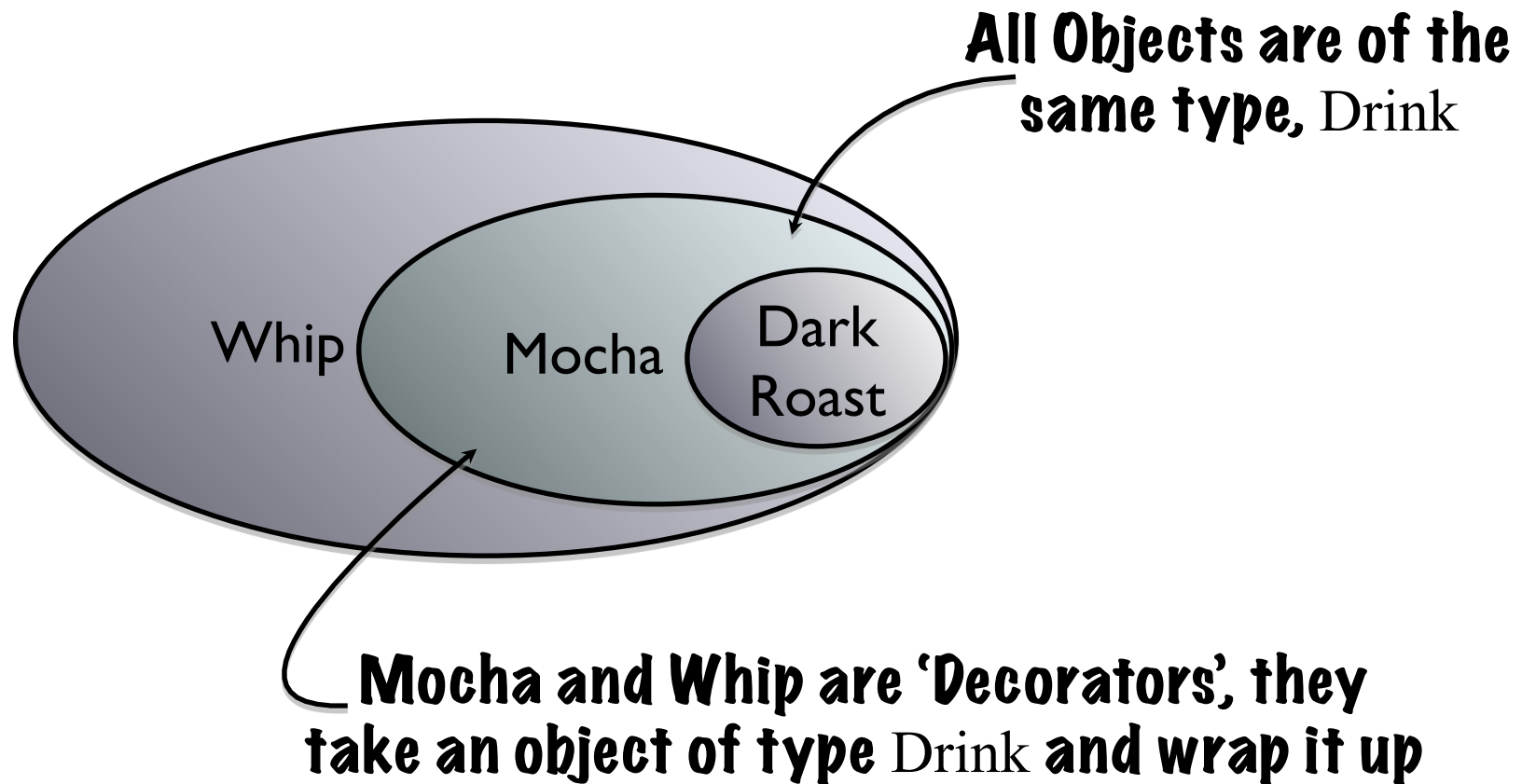
- Behaviour is fixed statically at compile time
- Composition can extend at runtime
- Composition allows us to add new responsibilities to objects without touching the superclass
- New functionality by writing new code, not editing old (and working) code

Decorator Pattern

- Attach additional responsibilities or functions to an object dynamically or statically. Also known as Wrapper.
- Can use the **Decorator Pattern** to solve this design
- Uses composition rather than inheritance

Decorator Pattern UML Diagram



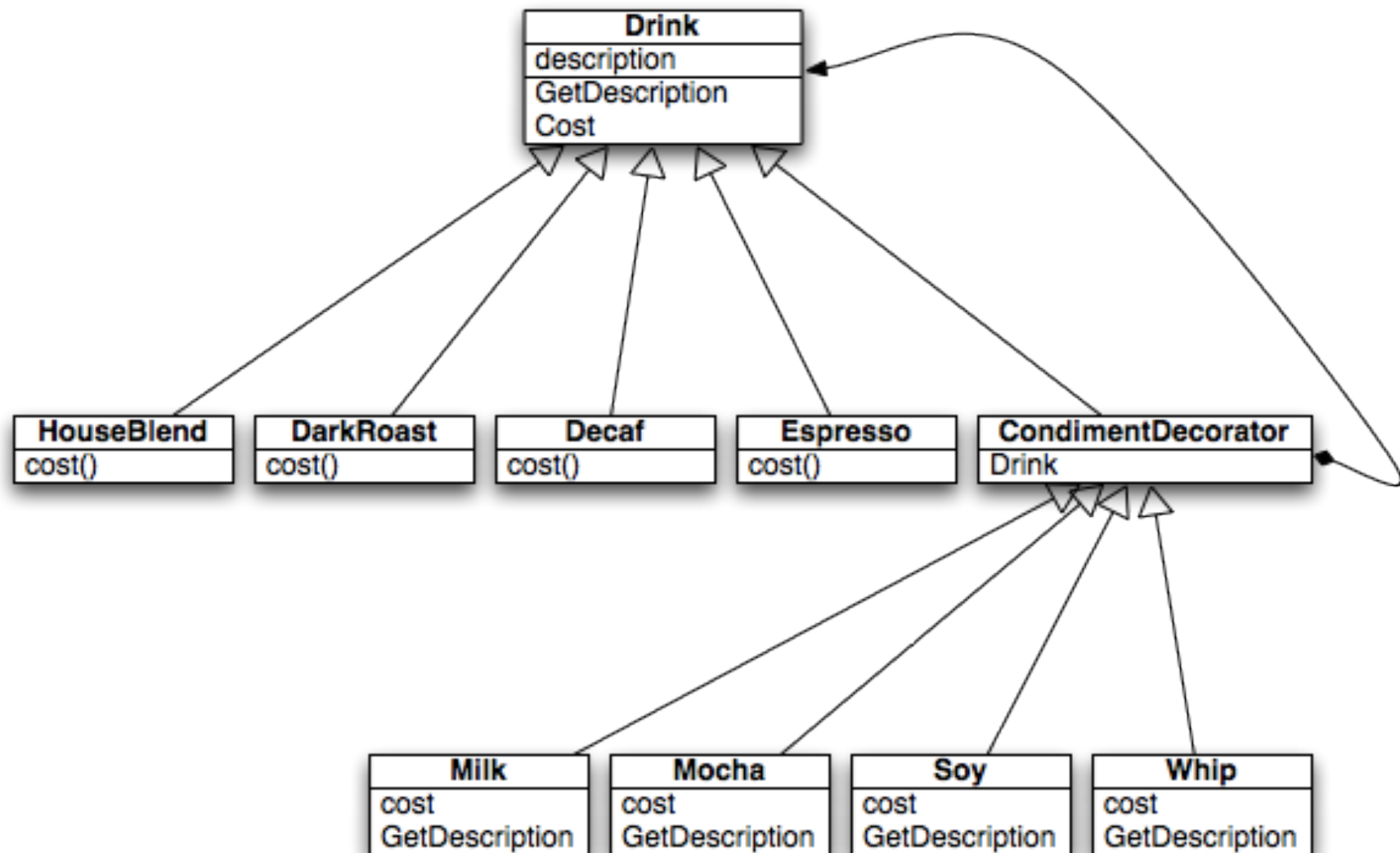


Decorator

- Start with a `DarkRoast` object
- Customer wants Mocha, wrap a `Mocha` object around `DarkRoast`
- Also want Whip, wrap a `Whip` object around `Mocha`
- Both decorators and concrete classes share same type, `Drink`

Coffee Decorators

- How it works
 - Call `cost()` on the decorated object
 - Decorator calls `cost()` on the object it decorates and adjusts the price
- Decorators can decorate Decorators




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    public String getDescription()  
    {  
        return description;  
    }  
  
    public abstract double cost();  
}
```

```
public class HouseBlend extends Drink {  
    private float cost = 0.89;  
  
    public HouseBlend() {  
        description = "House Blend";  
    }  
  
    public double cost() {  
        return cost;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class CondimentDecorator extends Drink {  
    protected Drink drink;  
  
    public abstract String getDescription();  
    public abstract double cost();  
}
```

```
public class Mocha extends CondimentDecorator {  
    private float cost = 0.20;  
  
    public Mocha(Drink drink) {  
        this.drink = drink;  
    }  
  
    public String getDescription() {  
        return drink.getDescription() + ", Mocha";  
    }  
    public double cost() {  
        return drink.cost() + cost;  
    }  
}
```

```
Drink myHouseBlendMocha = new Mocha(new HouseBlend());
```

Decorator Pattern

- The *Decorator Pattern* attaches additional responsibilities to an object dynamically. Decorators provide a flexible alternative to subclassing for extending functionality
- Black-box reuse
- Classes implementation unchanged

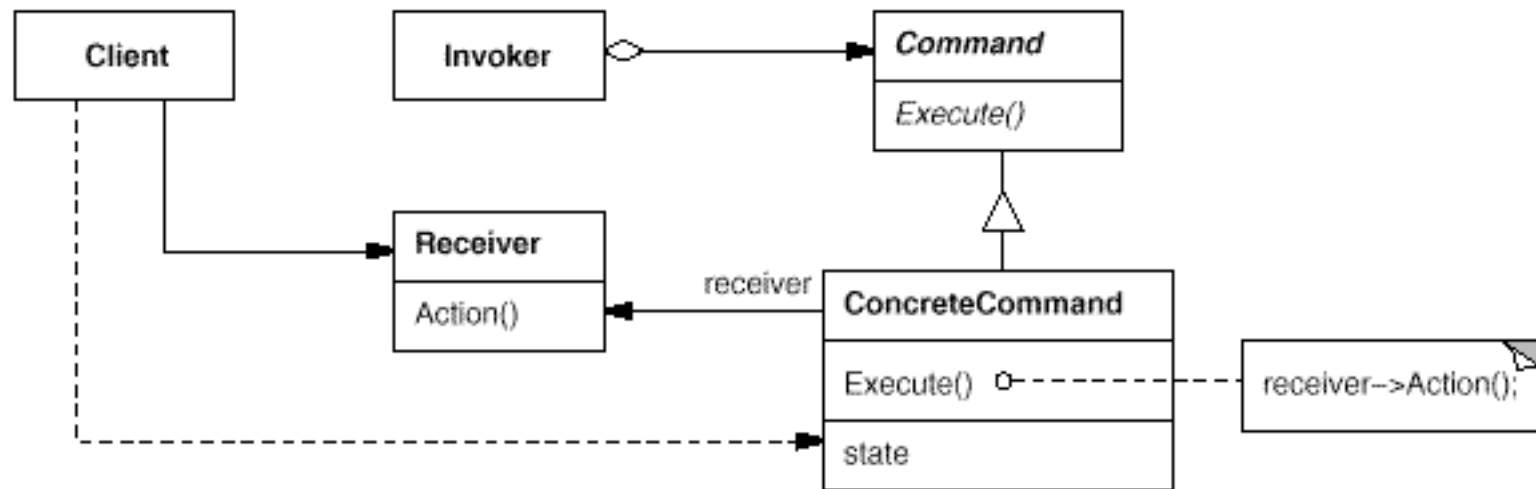
Design Principle

- “Classes should be open for extension, but closed for modification”

Open-Closed Principle

- *Classes should be open for extension*
- Feel free to extend our classes with any new behaviour you like, but...
- *closed for modification*
- Sorry, but our code is fixed and bug free you can't change it

5. Command Pattern UML



Command pattern motivation

The Command Pattern is useful when:

- A history of requests is needed
- You need callback functionality
- Requests need to be handled at variant times or in variant orders
- The invoker should be decoupled from the object handling the invocation.
- Allows “undo” operation (ie *un-execute*)

Command pattern notes

- Downside...
- Ends up forcing a lot of Command classes
 - makes your design look cluttered
- Intelligence required of which Command to use and when
 - leads to possible maintenance issues for the central controller.

Command Pattern Example