

Clean code principles

1. The Basics:

- Clean code should be easy to read and modify.
- Clean code should have a clear purpose.

Example:

```
// Good code
int calculateSum(int a, int b) {
    return a + b;
}

// Bad code
int f(int x) { return x * x; }
```

2. Naming:

- Good naming makes code easier to read and understand.

Example:

```
// Good code
int calculateSum(int firstNumber, int secondNumber) {
    return firstNumber + secondNumber;
}

// Bad code
int f(int x, int y) { return x + y; }
```

3. Functions:

- Functions should be short and do one thing only.
- Avoid global variables and complex conditions.
- Use early returns instead of nested if statements.

Example:

```
// Good code
bool isValidNumber(int number) {
    return number >= 0 && number <= 100;
}

// Bad code
bool checkNumber(int number) {
    if (number >= 0 && number <= 100) {
        return true;
    } else {
        return false;
    }
}
```

4. Comments:

- Use comments to explain why code is written in a certain way, not what it does.
- Avoid using comments to hide bad code.

Example:

```
// Good code
// Calculates the sum of two numbers
int calculateSum(int firstNumber, int secondNumber) {
    return firstNumber + secondNumber;
}

// Bad code
// This is a function that adds two numbers
int f(int x, int y) { return x + y; }
```

5. Organization:

- Organize code in a logical way.
- Avoid repeating code and use shared functions.

Example:

```
// Good code
void printName(string name) {
    cout << "Name: " << name << endl;
}

void printAge(int age) {
    cout << "Age: " << age << endl;
}

// Bad code
void printNameAndAge(string name, int age) {
    cout << "Name: " << name << endl;
    cout << "Age: " << age << endl;
}
```

6. Testing:

- Write unit tests for functions.
- Use automated testing to prevent breaking the system.
- Test all possible paths in the system.

Example:

```
// Good code
int calculateSum(int firstNumber, int secondNumber) {
    return firstNumber + secondNumber;
}

TEST(CalculateSumTest, TestPositiveNumbers) {
    EXPECT_EQ(calculateSum(5, 10), 15);
}

// Bad code
int f(int x, int y) { return x + y; }
```

7. Error Handling:

- Handle errors and exceptions responsibly.
- Use clear and understandable error messages.

Example:

```
// Good code
void openFile(string fileName) {
    ifstream file(fileName);
    if (!file.is_open()) {
        throw runtime_error("Failed to open file.");
    }
}

// Bad code
void openFile(string fileName) {
    ifstream file(fileName);
    if (!file.is_open()) {
        cout << "Error opening file." << endl;
    }
}
```

8. Maintenance:

- Think about maintenance when writing code.
- Keep code easy to maintain and modify.
- Document code changes and remove unused code.

Example:

```
// Good code
class Rectangle {
public:
    Rectangle(int width, int height) : width_(width), height_(height)
    {}
    int area() const { return width_ * height_; }
private:
    int width_;
    int height_;
};

// Bad code
int calculateArea(int w, int h) { return w * h; }
```

9. Design:

- Design the system before writing code.
- Keep the design simple and easy to understand.
- Design the system to be extensible and modifiable.

Example:

```
// Good code
class Shape {
public:
    virtual int area() const = 0;
};

class Rectangle : public Shape {
public:
    Rectangle(int width, int height) : width_(width), height_(height)
    {}
    int area() const override { return width_ * height_; }
private:
    int width_;
    int height_;
};

// Bad code
int calculateArea(int w, int h) { return w * h; }
```

10. DRY (Don't Repeat Yourself):

- Avoid duplicating code.
- Use functions or classes to encapsulate common functionality.

Example:

```
// Good code
int calculateSum(int a, int b) {
    return a + b;
}

int calculateProduct(int a, int b) {
    return a * b;
}

// Bad code
int main() {
    int a = 5, b = 10;
    int sum = a + b;
    int product = a * b;
}
```

11. Tools:

- Use appropriate tools to aid in writing clean code.
- Utilize available tools to help with code quality and identifying potential issues.

Example:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cmath>

using namespace std;

//good code
double calculate(double x, double y) {
    double result = pow(x, 2) + pow(y, 2);
    return sqrt(result);
}

int main() {
    double x = 3.0;
    double y = 4.0;
    double result = calculate(x, y);
    cout << "The result is: " << result << endl;
    return 0;
}

//bad code
double calculate(int x, int y) {
    double result = pow(x, 2) + pow(y, 2);
    return sqrt(result);
}

int main() {
    int x = 3;
    int y = 4;
    double result = calculate(x, y);
    cout << "The result is: " << result << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

12. Composition over Inheritance:

- Prefer composition over inheritance to avoid tight coupling between classes.
- Use inheritance only when it makes sense and when it's necessary.

Example:

```
// Good code
class Engine {
public:
    virtual void start() = 0;
    virtual void stop() = 0;
};

class ElectricEngine : public Engine {
public:
    void start() override { /* start electric engine */ }
    void stop() override { /* stop electric engine */ }
};

class Car {
public:
    Car(Engine* engine) : engine_(engine) {}
    void start() { engine_->start(); }
    void stop() { engine_->stop(); }
private:
    Engine* engine_;
};

// Bad code
class Car {
public:
    void start() { /* start car */ }
    void stop() { /* stop car */ }
};

class ElectricCar : public Car {
public:
    void start() override { /* start electric car */ }
    void stop() override { /* stop electric car */ }
};
```


13. Single Responsibility Principle:

- A class should have only one reason to change.
- Avoid creating classes that do too much.

Example:

```
// Good code
class Logger {
public:
    void log(std::string message) { /* log message */ }
};

class Calculator {
public:
    int add(int a, int b) {
        logger_.log("Adding numbers");
        return a + b;
    }
private:
    Logger logger_;
};

// Bad code
class Calculator {
public:
    int add(int a, int b) {
        /* log message */
        return a + b;
    }
};
```