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What is SOLID?

The **SOLID principles** are fundamental design principles in object-oriented programming that help create clean, maintainable, and scalable code. Here's a breakdown of each SOLID principle in C# with examples:

1. Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

Definition: A class should have only one reason to change, meaning it should have only one responsibility.

Example: Consider a class Invoice that calculates the total and also saves the invoice to a file. This violates SRP because it has two responsibilities.

```
public class Invoice
{
    public decimal CalculateTotal() { /* ... */ }
    public void SaveToFile() { /* ... */ } // This is a separate responsibility.
}
```

Solution: Split the responsibilities into two classes.

```
public class Invoice
{
          public decimal CalculateTotal() { /* ... */ }
}
public class InvoiceSaver
{
          public void SaveToFile(Invoice invoice) { /* ... */ }
}
```

Now, Invoice only calculates the total, and InvoiceSaver handles saving, making each class focused on a single responsibility.

2. Open/Closed Principle (OCP)

Definition: Classes should be open for extension but closed for modification, allowing behavior to be extended without modifying existing code.

Example: Suppose we have a DiscountCalculator that calculates discounts for different customer types. Instead of adding conditions in the CalculateDiscount method, we can use polymorphism.

```
public class DiscountCalculator
     public decimal CalculateDiscount(Customer customer)
     if (customer.Type == "Regular")
     return customer.PurchaseAmount * 0.1M;
     if (customer.Type == "VIP")
     return customer.PurchaseAmount * 0.2M;
     return 0;
```

```
Solution: Apply inheritance to handle different customer types.
public abstract class DiscountCalculator
       public abstract decimal CalculateDiscount(decimal amount);
public class RegularCustomerDiscount : DiscountCalculator
       public override decimal CalculateDiscount(decimal amount) => amount * 0.1M;
public class VIPCustomerDiscount : DiscountCalculator
       public override decimal CalculateDiscount(decimal amount) => amount * 0.2M;
```

Now, we can add new customer types by extending DiscountCalculator without modifying existing code.

Liskov Substitution Principle

Definition: Subtypes must be substitutable for their base types. Derived classes should be usable in place of their base classes without affecting the correctness of the program.

Example: Suppose we have a Bird base class and a Penguin subclass. Penguins can't fly, so overriding Fly() with an exception violates LSP.

```
public class Bird
     public virtual void Fly() { /* ... */ }
public class Penguin: Bird
     public override void Fly() ⇒ throw new InvalidOperationException("Penguins can't
fly!");
```

```
Solution: Redesign the class hierarchy to respect LSP.
public abstract class Bird { }
public class FlyingBird : Bird
       public void Fly() { /* ... */ }
public class Penguin : Bird
       // Penguins don't have a Fly method.
Now Penguin doesn't need to override a behavior it doesn't support.
```

4. Interface Segregation Principle (ISP)

Definition: Clients should not be forced to depend on interfaces they don't use. Create smaller, more specific interfaces.

Example: If we have a large IPrinter interface that includes methods for both printing and scanning, classes implementing it are forced to implement all methods even if they don't use them.

```
public interface IPrinter
     void Print();
     void Scan();
public class SimplePrinter: IPrinter
     public void Print() { /* ... */ }
     public void Scan() { throw new NotImplementedException(); } // Not needed
```

```
Solution: Split IPrinter into smaller interfaces.
public interface IPrint
       void Print();
public interface IScan
       void Scan();
public class SimplePrinter: IPrint
       public void Print() { /* ... */ }
```

Now SimplePrinter only implements IPrint, while other classes that require scanning can implement IScan.

5. Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP)

Definition: High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules. Both should depend on abstractions, and abstractions should not depend on details.

Example: In the example below, OrderProcessor directly depends on EmailNotification.

```
public class EmailNotification
    public void SendEmail() { /* ... */ }
public class OrderProcessor
    private EmailNotification _notification = new EmailNotification();
     public void ProcessOrder()
         // Process order logic _notification.SendEmail();
```

```
Solution: Introduce an abstraction INotification that OrderProcessor depends on.
public interface INotification
       void Notify(); }
public class EmailNotification: INotification
       public void Notify() { /* ... */ } }
public class OrderProcessor
       private readonly INotification _notification;
       public OrderProcessor(INotification notification)
              _notification = notification;
       public void ProcessOrder()
              // Process order logic
       _notification.Notify();
Now OrderProcessor depends on the INotification interface, making it flexible to use other notification types, such as SMS or
```

push notifications.

Summary

- SRP: A class should have only one reason to change.
- OCP: A class should be open for extension but closed for modification.
- LSP: Subclasses should be substitutable for their base classes.
- ISP: Make interfaces specific to client needs.
- **DIP**: Depend on abstractions, not on concrete implementations.