Creating Interfaces to Add Extensibility

The "How"

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Why Interfaces?





Interfaces help us get there

Different Data Sources

Relational Databases

Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, MySQL, etc.

Document / Object Databases (NoSQL)

MongoDB, Hadoop, RavenDB, etc.

Text Files

CSV, XML, JSON, etc.

SOAP Services

WCF, ASMX Web Service, Apache CXF, etc.

REST Services

WebAPI, WCF, Apache CXF, JAX-RS, etc.

Cloud Storage

Microsoft Azure, Amazon AWS, Google Cloud SQL

Repository Pattern

Mediates between the domain and data mapping layers using a collection-like interface for accessing domain objects*

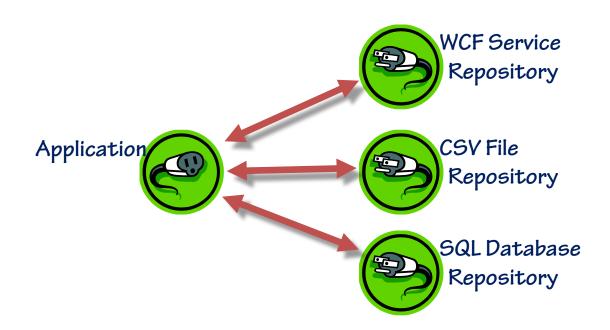
^{*}Fowler, et al. Patterns of Enterprise Application Architecture. Addison-Wesley, 2003.

Repository Pattern

Layer to separate our application from the data storage technology



Pluggable Repositories



Simple Repository

Data Access Operations



Creating a Repository Interface

```
public interface IPersonRepository
    void AddPerson(Person newPerson);
    IEnumerable<Person> GetPeople();
R
    Person GetPerson(string lastName);
    void UpdatePerson(string lastName,
         Person updatedPerson);
U
    void UpdatePeople(IEnumerable<Person>
         updatedPeople);
    void DeletePerson(string lastName);
```

Summary

Repository Pattern



- How to Create and Implement a Custom Interface
 - IPersonRepository
- Easy Extensibility





Next up: Explicit Interface Implementation