

Lec 07 - Design Principles II

Topic covered



- ♦ Introducing design Principles:
 - Flexibility
 - Reusability
 - Efficiency
 - Reliability
 - Usability

Flexibility



Flexible design implies a design that easily can accommodate the changes

Anticipate..

☐ ... adding more of the same kind of functionality

Example (banking application): handle more kinds of accounts without having to change the existing design or code

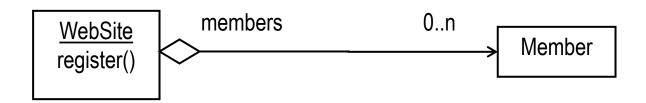
☐ ... adding different functionality

Example: add withdraw function to existing deposit functionality

Example: allow overdrafts

Registering Website Members





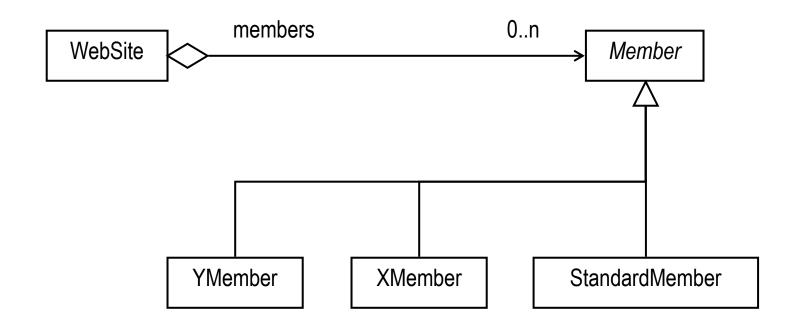
Example: Registering members at a web site (Design 1)

What's wrong with this design?



Registering Website Members Flexibly





Example: Registering members at a web site

(Design 2: a flexible design)

Adding Functionality to an Application



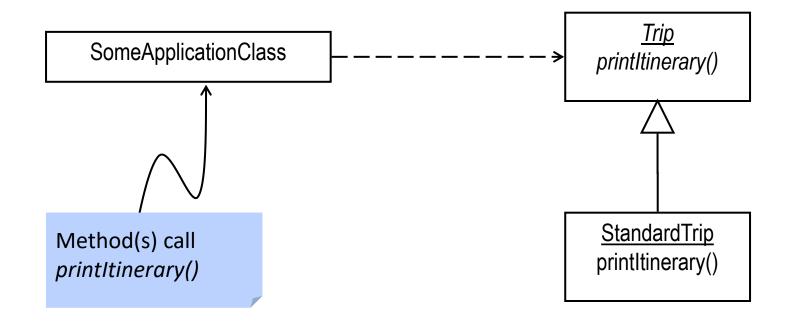
Alternative Situations

- ♦ Accommodate adding new kinds of functionality
- ♦ Adding functionality to an application :
- 1. Within the scope of <u>a list of related functions</u>

 Example: add *print* to an air travel itinerary functions
- 2. Within the scope of <u>an existing base class</u>
 - Example: add "print road- and ship- to air itinerary"

Adding Functionality When a Base Class Exists



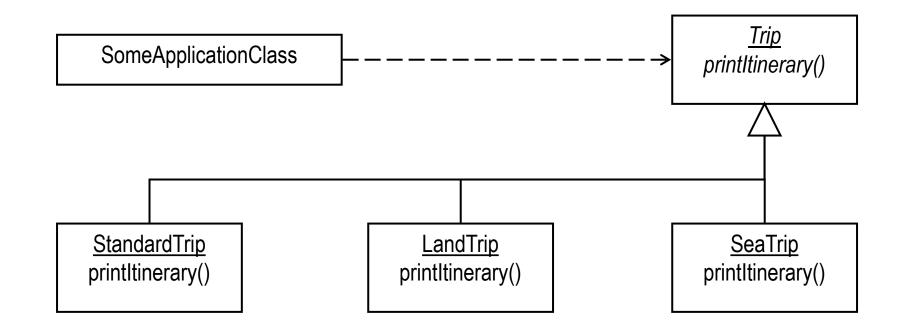


Case 1: Case 1 can be handled by adding the new method to an existing set of methods of a class

Add method print() to the class Itinerary.

Adding Functionality Through a Base Class





Case 2: Adding functionality when a base class exists

Reusability



- Designing a software system such that components of a developed system can be used again in developing new applications
- ♦ Reusability is an important factor in producing low cost applications
- ♦ Reusability at the architectural/design level (design patterns)
- ♦ Reusability at the implemented component level (design components)
- ♦ Our focus in this chapter is to cover:
 - Reusable functions
 - Reusable classes

Reusability of function design



♦ Simple methods

- ♦ Guidelines for designing reusable methods
 - Reusable methods must be defined completely
 - Reusable methods must be independent of their environment, e.g., Static methods
 - Makes the design looser coupling, less coherent and less object-oriented.
 - Name of a reusable method must be reflective of its functionality

Making a Method Re-usable



- ☐ Avoid unnecessary coupling with the enclosing class
 - Make static if feasible
 - Include parameterization
 - i.e., make the method functional
 - But limit the number of parameters
- Make the names expressive
 - Understandability promotes re-usability
- Explain the algorithm
 - Re-users need to know how the algorithm works

Making a Class Re-usable



- Make the class name and functionality match a real world concept
- ☐ Reduce dependencies on other classes

Reducing Dependency Among Classes



Replace ...



With !!! What do you think?

Increase the reusability of a class by reducing its dependencies.

Efficiency



Applications must execute required functionality within required time constraints

♦ Two dimensions of efficiency: <u>time</u> and <u>space</u>

♦ Ideally optimize a design for both time and space



Basic Approaches to Time Efficiency



- ♦ Design for Other Criteria, Then Consider Efficiency
 - Design for flexibility, reusability , ...
 - At some point, identify inefficient places
 - Make targeted changes to improve efficiency
- ♦ Design for Efficiency From the Start
 - Identify key efficiency requirements up front
 - Design for these requirements during all phases
- ♦ Combine These Two Approaches
 - Make trade-offs for efficiency requirements during design
 - Address remaining efficiency issues after initial design

Speed efficiency



- ♦ Real-time applications are the most demanding in terms of speed
- Profiler--- an application that tracks resource usage during program execution



Impediments to Speed Efficiency



♦ Loops

- while, for, do (think about sorting algorithms)
- *♦ Remote operations*
 - Requiring a network
 - LAN
 - The Internet
- ♦ Function calls
 - -- if the function called results in the above
- ♦ Object creation

Attaining Storage Efficiency



- ♦ Store only the data needed
 - Trades off storage efficiency vs. time to extract and re-integrate

- ♦ Compress the data
 - Trades off storage efficiency vs. time to compress and decompress
- ♦ Store in order of relative frequency
 - Trades off storage efficiency vs. time to determine location

Trading off Robustness, Flexibility, Efficiency and Reusability



- <u>1A.</u> Extreme Programming Approach
- <u>or</u> Design for sufficiency only
 - <u>1B.</u> Flexibility-driven Approach

Design for extensive future requirements

Reuse usually a by-product

- 2. Ensure robustness
- <u>3.</u> Provide enough efficiency

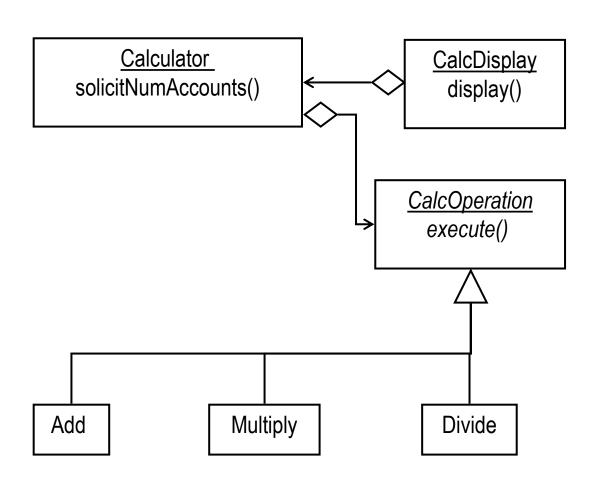
A More Flexible Design for Calculator Application



Existing Design

CommandLineCalculator
main()
executeAdditions()
solicitNumberAccounts()
getAnInputFromUser()
interactWithUser()

New Design



Summary



- □ Flexibility
 - == readily changeable
 We design flexibly, introducing parts, because change and reuse are likely.
- ☐ Reusability
 - in other applications
- □ Efficiency
 - in time
 - in space