Module 5: "DI Containers"





- Pure DI
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Pattern: Pure DI (a.k.a. Poor Man's DI)

Pure DI is the practice of applying DI without a DI Container.

- Outline
 - This is essentially what we have been doing throughout the course
 - Compose object graphs manually at Composition Root
- See:

"Dependency Injection Principles, Practices, and Patterns" Steven van Deursen and Mark Seemann (2019)



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Dependency Injection Containers

- Unity
- Autofac
- Simple Injector
- Microsoft.Extensions.DependencyInjection
- Ninject
- Castle Windsor
- Spring.NET
- Simpleloc
- **...**
- ▶ Don't create your own! ☺



Unity Container

- Microsoft's "classic" DI container implementation
 - Available in **Unity** nuget package

```
IUnityContainer unity = new UnityContainer();

unity.RegisterType<ICreateUserService, CreateUserService>()
   .RegisterType<Messenger>()
   .RegisterType<IMessageTemplateRepository,SqlMessageTemplateRepository>()
   .RegisterType<MessageTemplateContext>()
   .RegisterType<CreateUserViewModel>()
   .RegisterInstance<IDependency>(new DependencyImplementation())
;
```

```
ICreateUserService service = unity.Resolve<ICreateUserService>();
```



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Pattern: Register-Resolve-Release

- ▶ Always do a sequence of three things with a container:
 - Register components with the container
 - Resolve root components
 - Release components from the container.
- Outline
 - RRR captures the best practice of container use in the Composition Root only!
- See:

https://blog.ploeh.dk/2010/09/29/TheRegisterResolveReleasepattern/

Mark Seemann (2010)



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Workshop C.1: Adding Unity DI to Services





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Dependency Injection Topic Areas

- Object Composition
- Interception
- Lifetime Management



Definition: Interception

- Interception is the ability to intercept calls between two collaborating components in such a way that you can enrich or change the behavior of the dependency without the need to change the two collaborators themselves.
- Examples
 - Security, Caching, Logging, Composites, Decorators, Proxy, ...
 - Test-specific behavior
- See:
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Example: Composite Behavior

Sending messages via multiple channels

```
class CompositeMessageTransmissionStrategy : IMessageTransmissionStrategy
{
    readonly IEnumerable<IMessageTransmissionStrategy> strategies;
    public CompositeMessageTransmissionStrategy(
        params IMessageTransmissionStrategy[] strategies)
       strategies = strategies;
    async public Task TransmitAsync(...) { ...}
```



Example: Composite Behavior

 Note: This is where the various container frameworks have (quirky) specific behaviors...

```
_container
.RegisterType<IMessageTransmissionStrategy,
CompositeMessageTransmissionStrategy>(
    new InjectionConstructor(
        new ResolvedArrayParameter<IMessageTransmissionStrategy>(
        new ResolvedParameter<TwilioSmsTransmissionStrategy>(),
        new ResolvedParameter<SendGridEmailTransmissionStrategy>()
    )
    )
    )
}
```



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Workshop C.2: Interception





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Definition: Lifestyles

- ▶ A Lifestyle is a formalized way of describing the intended lifetime of a dependency.
- Transient ~ New instance at every resolve
- Singleton ~ Only one instance exists per container
- Scoped ~ New instance at every scope
- Unity has LifetimeManager associated with registrations



Transient Lifestyle

- Default lifestyle for Unity and most other containers
 - Instances are not disposed by container

```
container.RegisterType<ILogger, ConsoleLogger>();
```

```
container.RegisterType<ILogger, ConsoleLogger>(
   new TransientLifetimeManager()
);
```



Singleton Lifestyle

- Can be selected for Unity and most other containers
 - Instances are tracked and disposed by container

```
container.RegisterSingleton<ILogger, ConsoleLogger>();

container.RegisterType<ILogger, ConsoleLogger>(
    new ContainedControlledLifetimeManager()
);
```

```
container.RegisterInstance<ILogger>( new ConsoleLogger() );
```



Scoped Lifestyle

- Can be selected for Unity and most other containers
 - Instances are reused within the each child container.

```
IDependencyScope scope = container.CreateChildContainer();
```

- Usually not selected explicitly, but chosen by plugging into some inversion of control framework,
 - E.g. per request in ASP.NET



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