Programming Language Concepts Encapsulation

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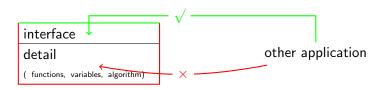
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Managing the complexity \rightarrow Re-usable code and abstraction. Example:

| 50 lines | no abstraction is essential, all in main() |
|---------------|--|
| 500 lines | function/procedure abstraction sufficient |
| 5,000 lines | function groups forming modules, mod- |
| | ules are combined to form the application |
| 500,000 lines | heavy abstraction and modularization, all |
| | parts designed for reuse (libraries, com- |
| | ponents etc) |

Modularization and Encapsulation

- Building an independent and self complete set of function and variable declarations (Packaging)
- Restricting access to this set only via a set of interface function and variables. (Hiding and Encapsulation)



Advantages of Encapsulation

- High volume details reduced to interface definitions (Ease of development/maintenance)
- Many different applications use the same module via the same interface (Code re-usability)
- Lego like development of code with building blocks (Ease of development/maintenance)
- Even details change, applications do not change (as long as interface is kept same) (Ease of development/maintenance)
- Module can be used in following projects (Code re-usability)

- A group of declarations put into a single body.
- C has indirect way of packaging per source file. Python defines modules per source file.
- C++

```
namespace Trig {
   const double pi=3.14159265358979;
   double sin(double x) { ... }
   double cos(double x) { ... }
   double tan(double x) { ... }
   double atan(double x) { ... }
}
```

- Trig::sin(Trig::pi/2+x)+Trig::cos(x)
- C++: (::) Scope operator.
- Identifier overlap is avoided. List::insert(...) and Tree::insert(...) no name collisions.

Hiding

■ A group of functions and variables hidden inside. The others are interface. Abstraction inside of a package:

```
double taylorseries(double);
double sin(double x);
double pi=3.14159265358979;
double randomseed;
double cos(double x);
double errorcorrect(double x);
```

```
{-- only sin, pi and cos are accessible --}
module Trig(sin,pi,cos) where
  taylorseries x = ...
  sin x = ...
  pi=3.14159265358979
  randomseed= ...
  cos x = ...
  errorcorrect x = ...
```

Abstract data types

- Internals of the datatype is hidden and only interface functions provide the access.
- Example: rational numbers: 3/4, 2/5, 19/3
 data Rational = Rat (Integer, Integer)
 x = Rat (3,4)
 add (Rat(a,b)) (Rat(c,d)) = Rat (a*d+b*c,b*d)
 - 1 Invalid value? Rat (3,0)
 - 2 Multiple representations of the same value? Rat (2,4) = Rat (1,2) = Rat(3,6)
- Solution: avoid arbitrary values by the user.

Main purpose of abstract data types is to use them transparently (as if they were built-in) without loosing data integrity.

```
module Rational (Rational, rat, add, subtract, multiply, divide) where
  data Rational = Rat (Integer, Integer)
  rat (x,y) = simplify (Rat(x,y))
  add (Rat(a,b)) (Rat(c,d)) = rat (a*d+b*c,b*d)
  subtract(Rat(a,b)) (Rat(c,d)) = rat (a*d-b*c,b*d)
  multiply(Rat(a,b)) (Rat(c,d)) = rat(a*c,b*d)
  divide (Rat(a,b)) (Rat(c,d)) = rat (a*d,b*c)
  gcd \times v = if (x==0) then v
            else if (y==0) then x
            else if (x < y) then gcd \times (y - x)
            else gcd y (x-y)
  simplify (Rat(x,y)) = if y==0 then error "invaliduvalue"
                          else let a=gcd x y
                               in Rat(div x a, div y a)
```

Initial value? We need constructor function/values. (remember we don't have the data definition) rat (x,y) instead of Rat (x,y)

Object

- Packages containing hidden variables and access is restricted to interface functions.
- Variables with state
- Data integrity and abstraction provided by the interface functions.
- Entities in software can be modelled in terms of functions (server, customer record, document content, etc). Object oriented design.
- Example (invalid syntax! imaginary C++)

```
namespace Counter {
private: int counter=0;
public: int get() { return counter;}
public: void increment() { counter++; }
};
Counter::get() Counter::increment()
```

Class

- The set of same typed objects form a class
- An object is an instance of the class that it belongs to (a counter type instead of a single counter)
- Classes have similar purposes to abstract data types
- Some languages allows both objects and classes
- C++ class declaration (valid syntax):

Abstract data type

interface (constructor, functions)

detail (data type definition, auxiliary functions)

Object

interface (constructor, functions)

detail (variables, auxiliary functions)

Purpose

- preserving data integrity,
- abstraction.
- re-usable codes.

Closure

- Closure is an abstraction method using the saved environment state in a scope.
- When a function returns a local object or function as its result and language keeps the environment state along with the returned value, it becomes a closure

```
def newid():
    c = 0  # this is the hidden variable in the environment
    def incget():
        nonlocal c  #python 3, binds c above
        c += 1
        return c
    return incget

>>> a = newid()
>>> b = newid()
>>> b()
1
>>> b()
2
```

- Local variables of closures stay alive after call, as long as returned value is alive.
- closures can be used for generating new functions as in higher order functions:

```
def mult(a):
    def nested(b):
        return a*b
    return nested # a different behaviour for each a value
    twice = mult(2)
    tentimes = mult(10)
    a=twice(4)+tentimes(50)
```

■ Also can be used for prototyping objects. Javascript example:

Further Reusability

- Class relations. Extending one class definition to create more specific class definitions.
- Classes containing other classes
- Classes derived from other classes: inheritance
- Abstract classes and interfaces
- Polymorphism
- Design patterns: standard object oriented designs applicable to a family of similar software problems. Not included in this course.