IT4490 - SOFTWARE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

6. IDENTIFY DESIGN ELEMENTS

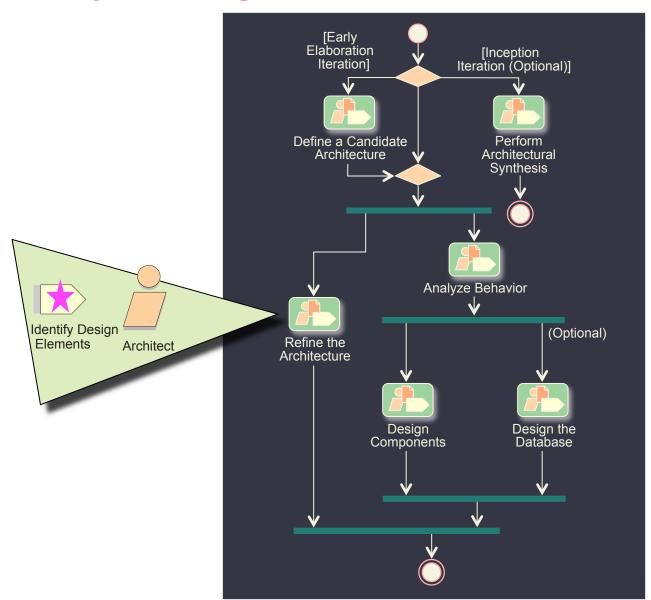
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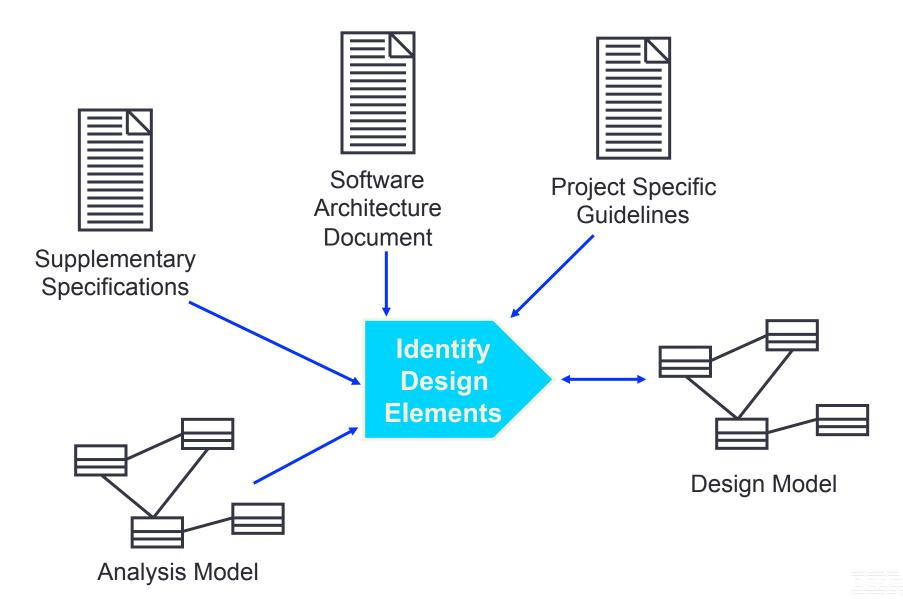
Objectives: Identify Design Elements

- Define the purpose of Identify Design Elements and demonstrate where in the lifecycle it is performed
- Analyze interactions of analysis classes and identify Design Model elements => Design classes

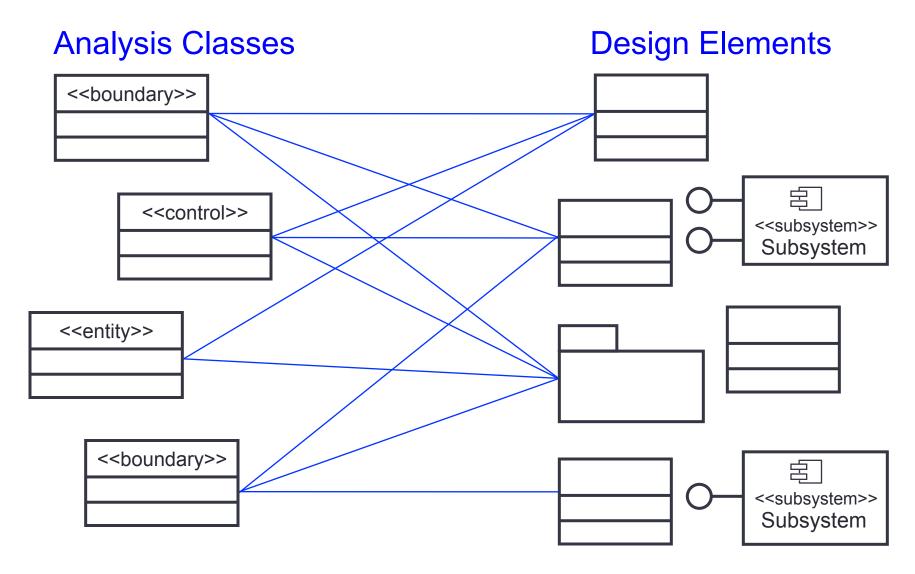
Identify Design Elements in Context



Identify Design Elements Overview



From Analysis Classes to Design Elements



Identifying Design Classes

- An analysis class maps directly to a design class if:
 - It is a simple class
 - It represents a single logical abstraction
- More complex analysis classes may
 - Split into multiple classes
 - Become a package
 - Become a subsystem (discussed later)
 - Any combination ...



Review: Class and Package

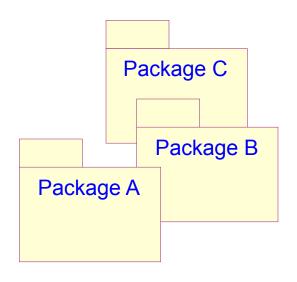
- What is a class?
 - A description of a set of objects that share the same responsibilities, relationships, operations, attributes, and semantics
- What is a package?
 - A general purpose mechanism for organizing elements into groups

Package

A model element which can contain other model elements

Group Design Classes in Packages

- You can base your packaging criteria on a number of different factors, including:
 - Configuration units
 - Allocation of resources among development teams
 - Reflect the user types
 - Represent the existing products and services the system uses



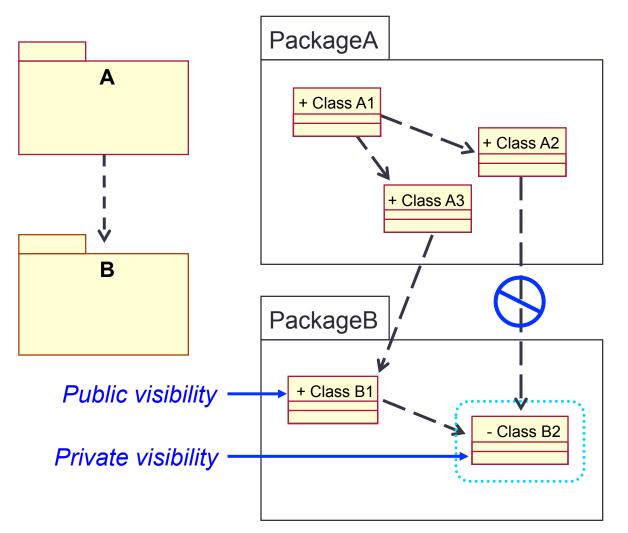
Packaging Tips: Functionally Related Classes

- Criteria for determining if classes are functionally related:
 - Changes in one class' behavior and/or structure necessitate changes in another class
 - Removal of one class impacts the other class
 - Two objects interact with a large number of messages or have a complex intercommunication
 - A boundary class can be functionally related to a particular entity class if the function of the boundary class is to present the entity class
 - Two classes interact with, or are affected by changes in the same actor

Packaging Tips: Functionally Related Classes (continued)

- Criteria for determining if classes are functionally related (continued):
 - Two classes have relationships between each other
 - One class creates instances of another class
- Criteria for determining when two classes should NOT be placed in the same package:
 - Two classes that are related to different actors should not be placed in the same package
 - An optional and a mandatory class should not be placed in the same package

Package Dependencies: Package Element Visibility

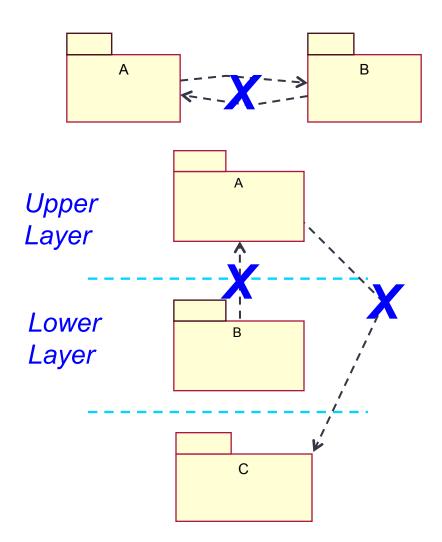


Only public classes can be referenced outside of the owning package

OO Principle: Encapsulation

Package Coupling: Tips

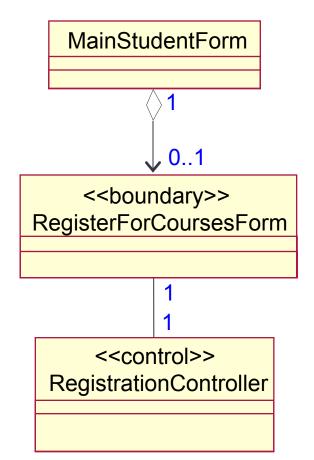
- Packages should not be cross-coupled
- Packages in lower layers should not be dependent upon packages in upper layers
- In general, dependencies should not skip layers

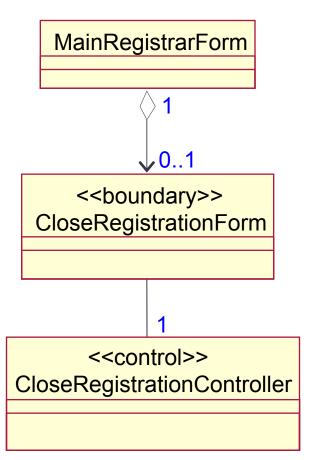


X = Coupling violation

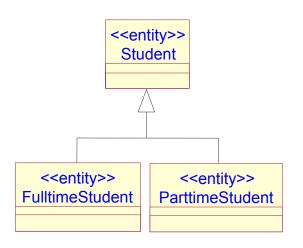


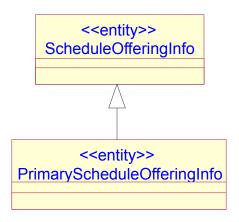
Example: Registration Package



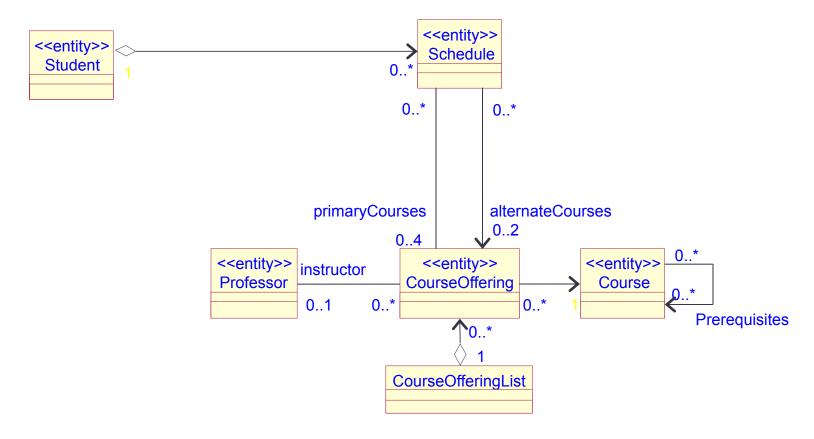


Example: University Artifacts Package: Generalization





Example: University Artifacts Package: Associations



Example: External System Interfaces Package

<<Interface>>
IBillingSystem

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ICourseCatalogSystem