Single Responsibility Principle

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- "A class should have only one reason to change."
- Each responsibility is an axis of change. If a class assumes more than one responsibility, that class will have more than one reason to change.

Single-Responsibility Principle

- If a class has more than one responsibility, the responsibilities become coupled.
- Changes to one responsibility may impair or inhibit the class's ability to meet the others.
- This kind of coupling leads to fragile designs that break in unexpected ways when changed.

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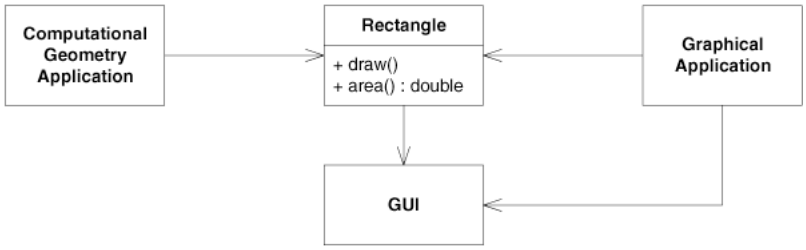

- The Rectangle class has two responsibilities.
- If a change to the GraphicalApplication causes the Rectangle to change for some reason, that change may force us to rebuild, retest, and redeploy the ComputationalGeometryApplication.

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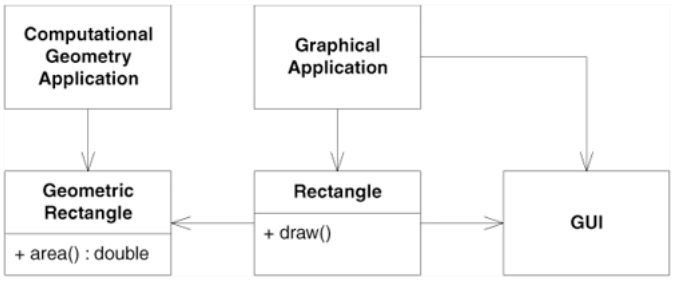

Single-Responsibility Principle

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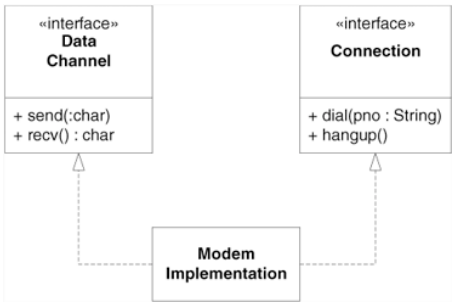
class Modem
{
public:
  void Dial(string pno);
  void Hangup();
  void Send(char c);
  char Recv();
};
```



- If, however, the application is not changing in ways that cause the two responsibilities to change at different times, there is no need to separate them.
- Indeed, separating them would smell of needless complexity.

Interface Segregation Principle

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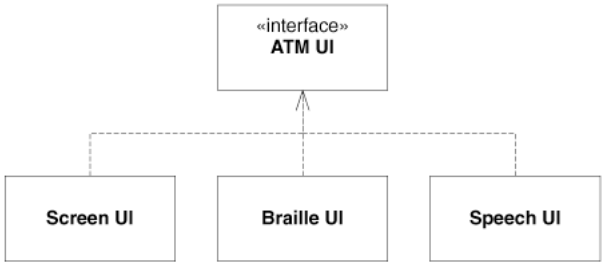
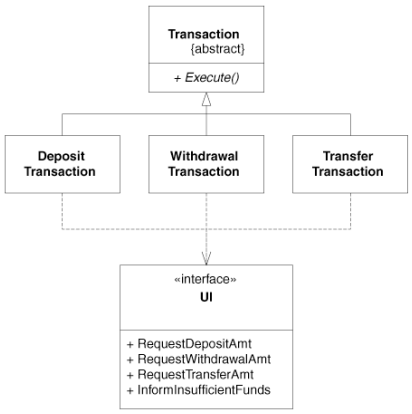
Fat Interfaces

- Classes whose interfaces are not cohesive have "fat" interfaces.
- The interfaces of the class can be broken up into groups of methods.
- Each group serves a different set of clients.

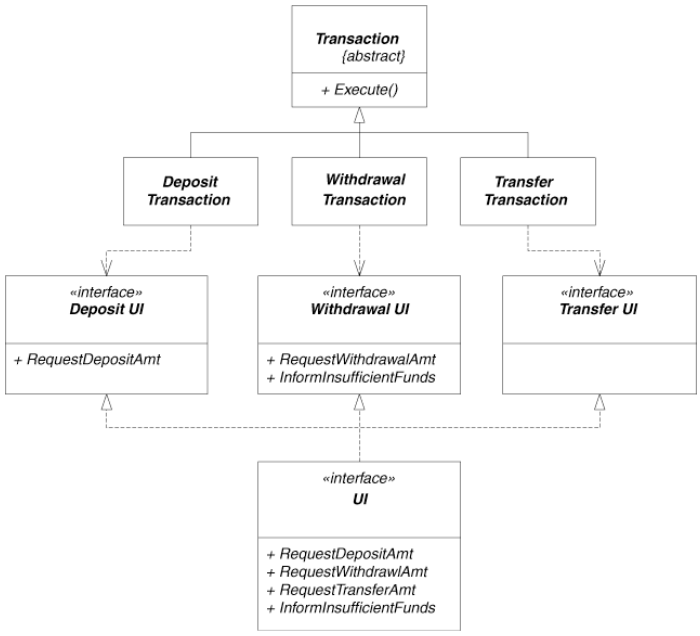
Interface Pollution

- Clients should not be forced to depend on methods they do not use.
- Case: ATM with multiple interfaces





- Adding a new transaction changes the UI interface
- All the other Transactions have to be recompiled



Dependency-Inversion Principle

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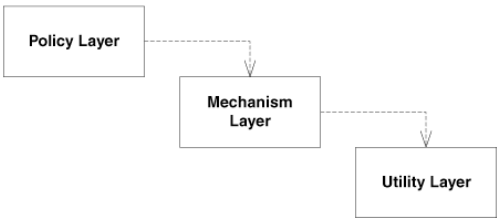
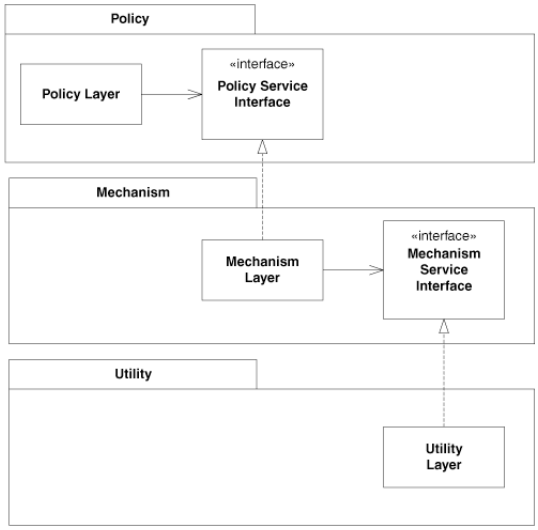


Naive layering scheme

- High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules. Both should depend on abstractions.
- Abstractions should not depend upon details. Details should depend upon abstractions.

The Dependency-Inversion Principle

- It is the high-level, policy-setting modules that ought to be influencing the low-level detailed modules.
- The modules that contain the high-level business rules should take precedence over, and be independent of, the modules that contain the implementation details.
- It is high-level, policy-setting modules that we want to be able to reuse.
  - We are already quite good at reusing low-level modules in the form of subroutine libraries.
  - When high-level modules depend on low-level modules, it becomes very difficult to reuse those high-level modules in different contexts.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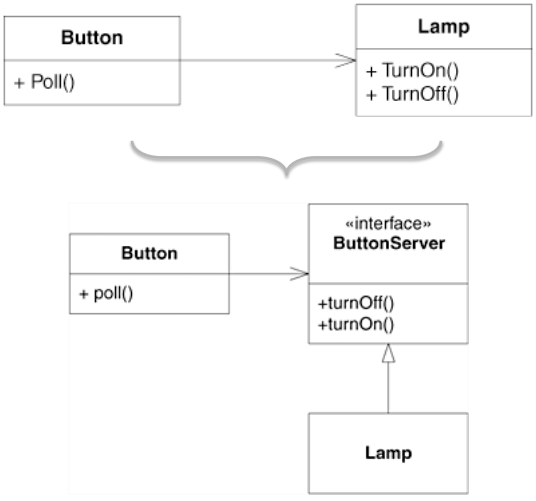
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Thermostat Algorithm

```
const byte TERMOMETER = 0x86;
const byte FURNACE = 0x87;
const byte ENGAGE = 1;
const byte DISENGAGE = 0;

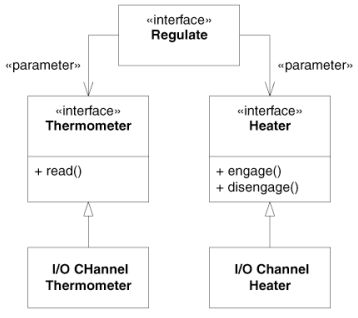
void Regulate(double minTemp, double maxTemp) {
    for(;;) {
        while (in(THERMOMETER) > minTemp)
            wait(1);
        out(FURNACE,ENGAGE);

        while (in(THERMOMETER) < maxTemp)
            wait(1);
        out(FURNACE,DISENGAGE);
    }
}
```


Thermostat Algorithm

```
void Regulate(Thermometer t, Heater h,
              double minTemp, double maxTemp)
{
    for(;;) {
        while (t.Read() > minTemp)
            wait(1);
        h.Engage();

        while (t.Read() < maxTemp)
            wait(1);
        h.Disengage();
    }
}
```



Now the algorithm is nicely reusable.