

Introduction to the Course

Get an overview of the structure and strengths of this object-oriented design course.

We'll cover the following ^

- Structure of the course
- Course strengths

Structure of the course

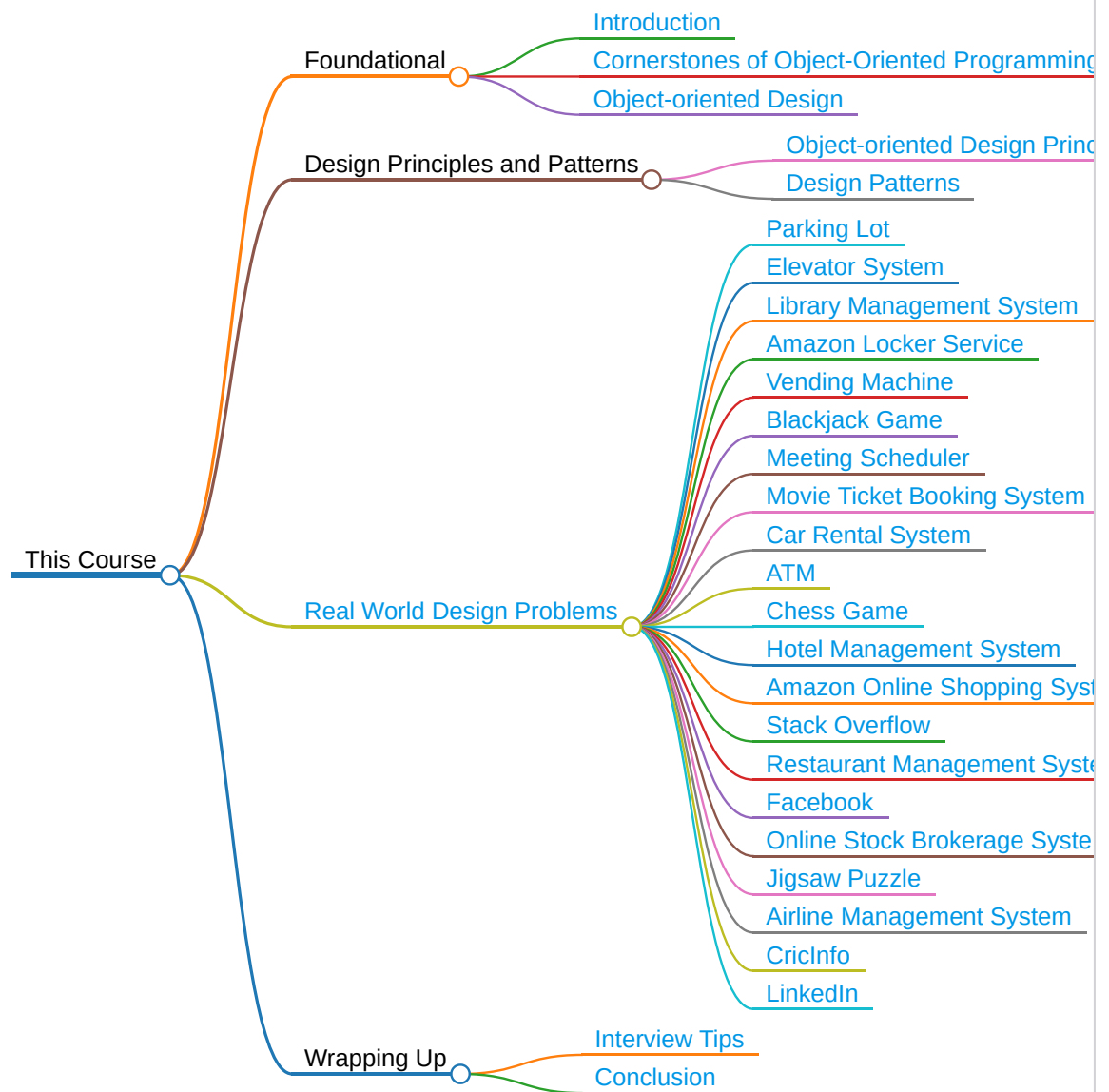
This course consists of 28 chapters. These chapters can be segmented into the four sections listed below:

- **Foundational:** The foundational section is composed of three chapters. The first chapter introduces the course and its key features. The second chapter talks about object-oriented programming and its four paradigms. The third chapter introduces UML notations, and in this chapter, we focus on four widely used UML diagrams in object-oriented design.
- **Design patterns:** There are two chapters in the design patterns section. The first chapter introduces the five design principles widely used in object-oriented software development called SOLID. The second chapter discusses the three design patterns: creational, structural, and behavioral.
- **Real-world design problems:** There are twenty-one chapters in this section. The first chapter explains a typical object-oriented design interview process. In particular, this chapter discusses the steps involved in solving a design problem. Chapters 6–27 describe and solve the 21 real-world design problems in detail. We have dedicated a chapter for each problem in which we walk the learner through all the phases of designing an object-oriented problem. These chapters include requirement gathering, use case diagrams, class designs,

sequence and activity diagrams, as well as the skeleton code implementation in five popular languages.

- **Wrapping up:** This section provides interview tips for the reader and wraps up this course.

Note: Although we did our best to keep the chapters independent, our readers will find it useful to read them in the sequence provided below.



The structure of this course

Course strengths

While filling some important gaps in other available courses, we believe this course has some key strengths to offer. We summarize the strengths and the advantages this course has over others in the table given below.

| Strengths | Advantages |
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| Self-contained | This course provides a one-stop solution to all the concepts required for object-oriented design interview problems. |
| Incremental improvement to design | This course provides a layer-by-layer design solution by designing solutions to complex problems using the bottom-up approach. |
| Solving the traditional problems | This course is up-to-date with the latest real-world problems that are used in their interviews to evaluate a candidate's object-oriented design skills. |
| New design problems | This course provides an upskill by presenting new design problems that are used in interviews recently. |
| Careful collection of design problems | Each problem has its unique aspects in terms of problem-solving and the approach required to solve it. |
| Multi language supports | We provided the skeleton code of the classes in five languages (C++, Java, Python, JavaScript, and C#). |
| Modular approach | We designed the problems using a bottom-up approach. |
| Interview structure | We tried to cover all aspects of the interview process related to object-oriented design, including useful hints to solve the problems. |

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Overview

Background of Object-Oriented Design