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**Head's up!** I'm a full-time senior Data Scientist,  
currently on secondment and juggling projects as  
I go...

But more on that later...



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An automated documentation assistant built in Python and  $\text{\TeX}$  for procedural, data-driven reporting.



 **Doctor** provides services to simplify the reporting of data-oriented, beautiful, lightweight documents.

Transparent and opinionated, without the WYSIWYG faff.



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Design patterns were conceived in the 80s when object-oriented programming was extremely popular. So naturally, design patterns rely on classes and inheritance quite a lot. However, programming languages have evolved. Python not only has classes, but also tuples, dictionaries, Protocols and decorators.

## 4.1 Analysing the Factory pattern

The factory allows you to inject objects of a certain subtype into a part of an application that then uses those objects without knowing what they are exactly.

Doing this helps reduce coupling by enabling you to introduce and inject new kinds of objects into that same application without having to change the code. A related principle is the 'single responsibility principle' meaning the idea of not both creating and using something in the same place – those are two separate responsibilities.

The Open/Closed principle also plays an important role in the factory pattern: we want to be able to extend the application without having to extensively change the code. The code should be open for extension but closed for modification. The factory pattern achieves this by letting you, the developer, introduce new exporter factories without modifying the original code interface.



Figure 4.1: Factory pattern (initial Modeling Language (UML)) diagram demonstrating separation of creation from use

## 4.2 Factories

In this section, we take a look at the factory design pattern and strip it down completely until we arrive at the design principles that are behind the pattern. The most important design principle behind the factory pattern is its separation creation from use.

## 4.2.1 A more Pythonic Factory pattern

In this example, we have `VideoExporter` and `AudioExporter` Abstract Base Classes (ABC) that cover various output formats, and an `ExporterFactory` – which is also an ABC – that has abstract methods for creating the video and audio exporters.

```
class VideoExporter(Protocol):
    """Basic representation of video exporting codes."""

    def prepare_export(self, video_data: str) -> None:
        """Prepare video data for exporting."""
        raise NotImplementedError

    def do_export(self, video_data: str) -> None:
        """Export the video data to a video."""
        raise NotImplementedError
```

This user can choose to use the fast, high or master quality exporter to render their video and audio files, of which these are subclasses of the exporter factory. To facilitate these different factories, we create an object a dictionary `FACTORIES` and define a method `read_factory()` to read the user's desired output quality as input, get the corresponding factory to use the appropriate video and audio exporters, and then prepare and do the export.

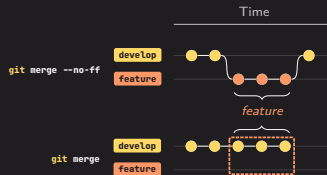
```
FACTORIES = {}

def read_factory() -> ExporterFactory:
    """Reads the user's desired output quality based on the user's preference."""
    while True:
        export_quality = input(
            f"Enter desired output quality ('F', 'H' or 'M'): "
        )
        if export_quality in FACTORIES:
            return FACTORIES[export_quality]
        else:
            print(f"Invalid output quality option: {export_quality}.")
```



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```
$ git clone https://github.com/ellsphillips/git-book git-good
```



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$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_3$	$C_4$
a	b	c	d
e	f	g	h
i	j	k	l

$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_3$	$C_4$
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$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_3$	$C_4$
1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00
1.01	2.01	3.01	4.01
1.02	2.02	3.02	4.02
1.03	2.03	3.03	4.03
1.04	2.04	3.04	4.04
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⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1.17	2.17	3.17	4.17
1.18	2.18	3.18	4.18
1.19	2.19	3.19	4.19



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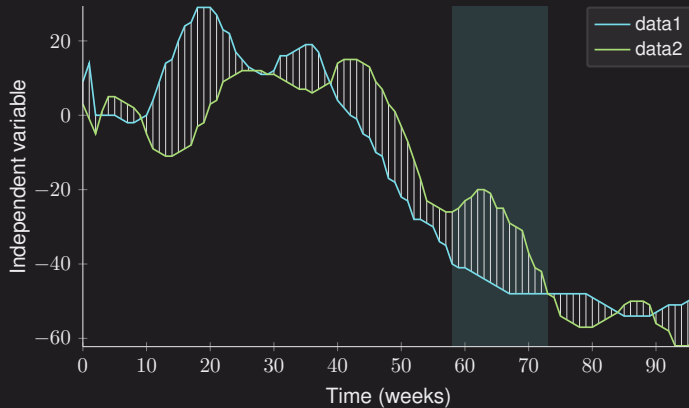
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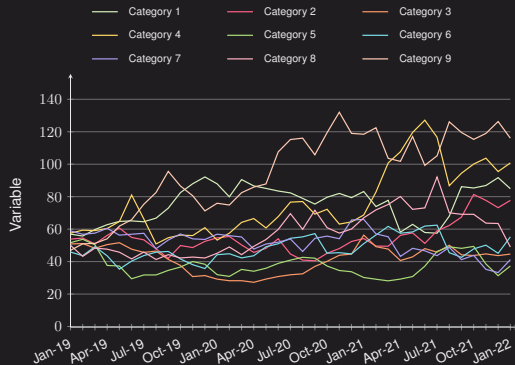
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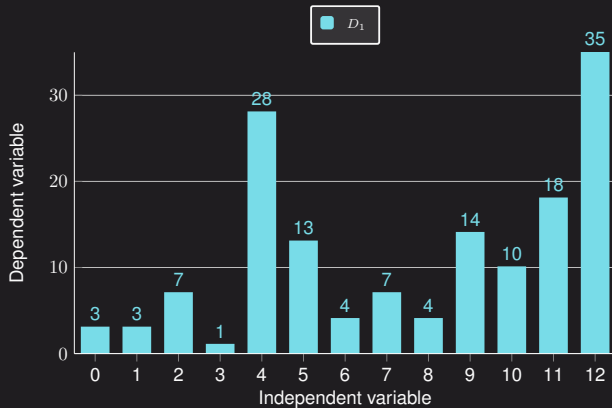
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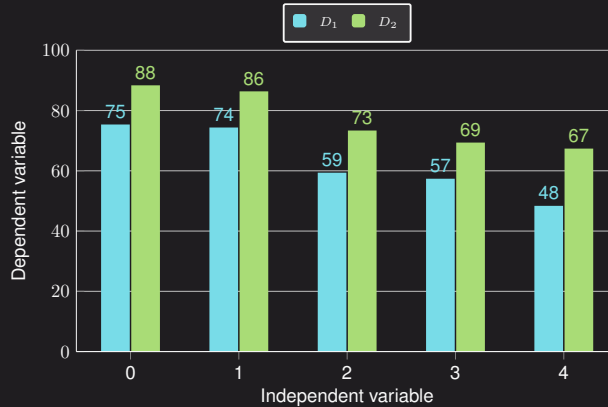
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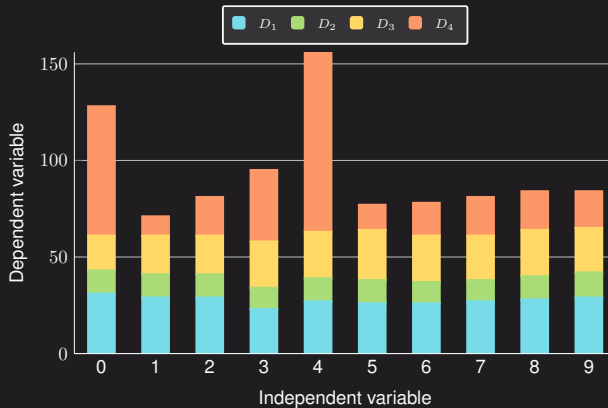
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```
1 import doctor as dr
2
3
4 def main() → None:
5     ...
6
7
8 if __name__ == "__main__":
9     main()
```



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```
~/repo
├── /doctor
│   └── ...
├── /document
│   ├── main.tex
│   ├── ...
│   ├── book.pdf
│   └── slides.pdf
├── /tests
│   └── ...
├── app.py
└── venv
```



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```
1 tabular = dr.table(  
2     dr.data.table(  
3         [  
4             dr.data.numeric.rand(10),  
5             dr.data.text.lorem(10),  
6         ]  
7     ),  
8     columns=["numbers", "words"]  
9 )
```



```
1 figure = dr.plot(  
2     "line",  
3     data={  
4         "timeseries_2020": dr.data.series.brownian(),  
5         "timeseries_2021": dr.data.series.brownian(),  
6         "timeseries_2022": dr.data.series.brownian(),  
7     },  
8     options={  
9         "plot type": "ybar",  
10        "data source": "src/plots/example.dat",  
11        "caption": "Demonstration of the doctor-plot env",  
12        "label": "example-plot",  
13    },  
14 )
```





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- ▶ Refine and publish existing PoC test library
- ▶ Deliver testing fundamentals workshop
- ▶ Build robust testing suite for **Doctor**



# Package – Deployment

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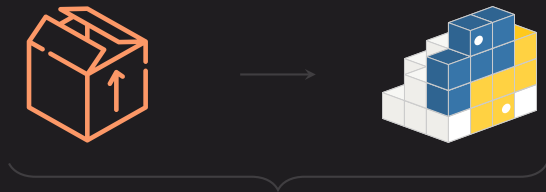
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```
$ pip install doctor
```



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