# C#10 Design Patterns

### Introduction to Design Patterns



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#### This course is 100% applicable to:

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#### Relevant Notes



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## Coming Up



#### Prerequisites, frameworks and tooling

**Course structure** 

#### **Design patterns**

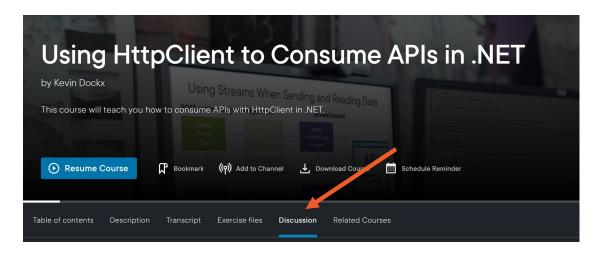
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**Object-oriented principles refresher** 



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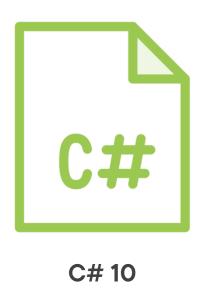
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## Course Prerequisites and Frameworks





## Course Structure

#### All 23 Gang of Four patterns are covered

- Each module covers one pattern



## Course Structure: Module Structure



Intent of the pattern



Structure of the pattern



Real-life pattern implementation



(Depending on the pattern: variations, extensions, ...)



Use cases, consequences & related patterns





A pattern use case tells you for which cases the pattern might be a good match

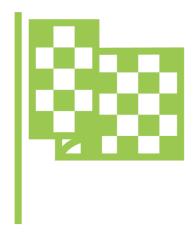


Pattern consequences can be positive and/or negative: consider implementing a pattern when the advantages outweigh the disadvantages for your use case

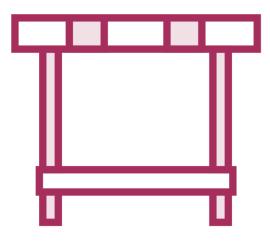


Patterns sometimes have comparable templates and implementations: learn how they compare, differ and can be combined.

## Course Structure: Following Along



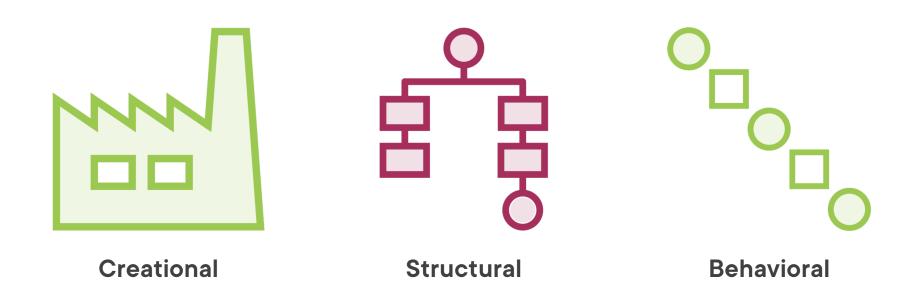
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## Course Structure: Pattern Types



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# Design Pattern

A general, reusable solution to a commonly occurring problem within a given context in software design



## Introducing Design Patterns

# View design patterns as a template to start from

- Multiple implementations are possible

#### Each pattern has an intent

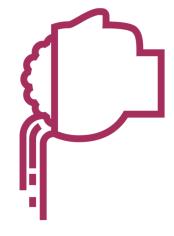
 The intent should remain the same, no matter how you implement the pattern



## Introducing Design Patterns



Many patterns are so common you've probably already used them

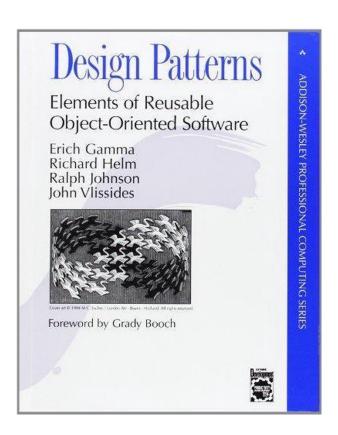


Don't learn the pattern implementation from the top of your head, learn which problem a pattern solves



## The Gang of Four





#### Design Patterns - Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software

- 23 design patterns
- Published in 1994
- Still commonly used today

## Examples of Problems Design Patterns Solve



How do I ensure only a single instance of a class exists?



How do I make two objects with a different interface work together?



How can I extend an object's interface without changing the underlying object?



How do I enable support for undo functionality?



And many more...



## The Gang of Four

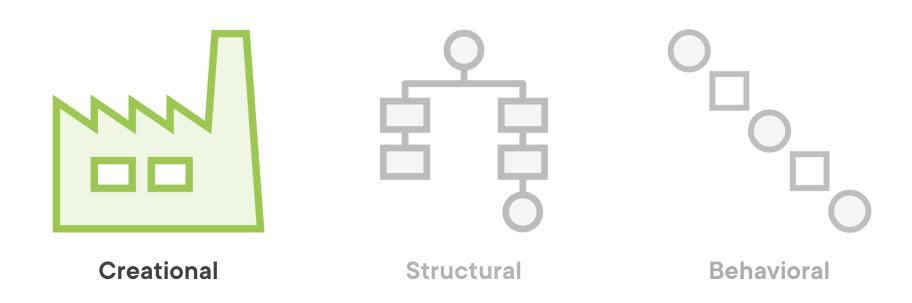
We'll use modern-day language features to implement these patterns

- But the intent will remain the same

This is very much a *current* course, not a 1994 course



## Gang of Four Pattern Types



# Creational Patterns

#### Five patterns

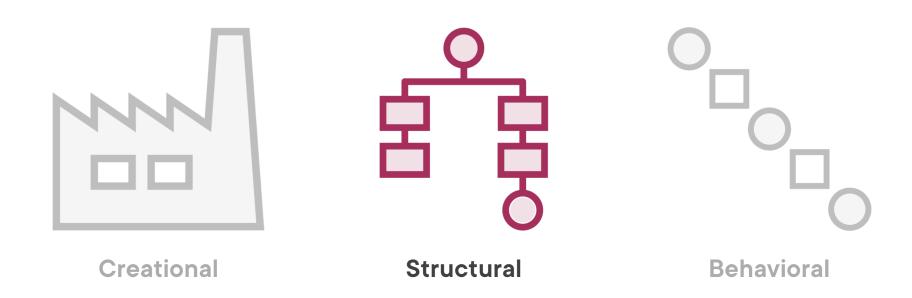
 Abstract Factory, Builder, Factory Method, Prototype, Singleton

#### These patterns deal with object creation

- Abstract the object instantiation process
- Help with making your system independent of how its objects are created, composed and represented



# Gang of Four Pattern Types



# Structural Patterns

#### Seven patterns

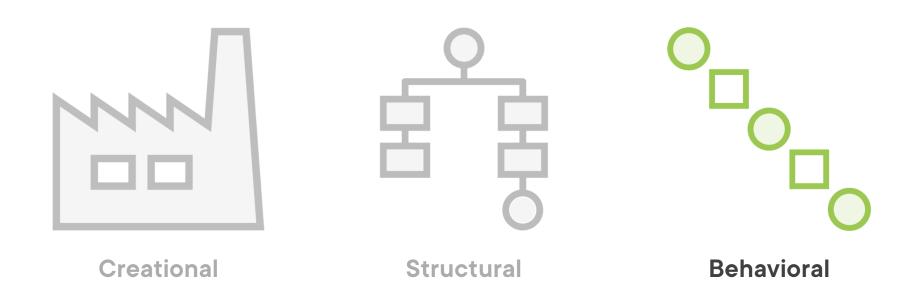
 Adapter, Bridge, Composite, Decorator, Facade, Flyweight, Proxy

# These patterns deal with ways to define relations between classes or objects

 Concerned with how classes and objects are composed to form larger structures



# Gang of Four Pattern Types



## Behavioral Patterns

#### **Eleven patterns**

Chain of Responsibility, Command,
 Interpreter, Iterator, Mediator, Memento,
 Observer, Sate, Strategy, Template Method,
 Visitor

# These patterns deal with ways to communicate between classes or objects

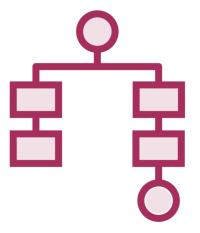
- Characterize complex control flow that's difficult to follow at runtime
- Let you concentrate on the way objects are interconnected



## Object Oriented Principles Refresher



Program to an interface, not an implementation



Favor object composition over class inheritance





Clients remain unaware of the specific types of objects they use (as long as the objects adhere to the interface that clients expect)



Clients remain unaware of the classes that implement these objects. Clients only know about the interface.



```
public interface IDiscountService {
    int DiscountPercentage { get; } }

public class BelgiumDiscountService : IDiscountService {
    public int DiscountPercentage => 20; }

public class FranceDiscountService : IDiscountService {
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This allows loose coupling

When the Gang of Four talks about the "interface", they're talking about the object's type: the set of requests an object can respond to

- Can be implemented with the interface language feature
- Can also be implemented with the abstract class language feature



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public abstract class DiscountServiceBase {
    public abstract int DiscountPercentage { get; } }

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public class FranceDiscountService : DiscountServiceBase {
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Program to an Interface, Not an Implementation

**Example with an abstract class** 



Use an abstract base class when you need to provide some basic functionality that can potentially be overridden

Use an interface when you only need to specify the expected functionality of a class

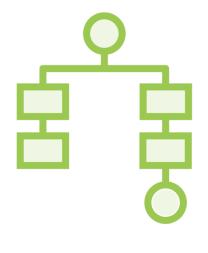


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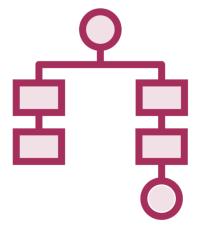
## Commonly correlates to adhering to the open/closed principle (SOLID)

 Software entities (classes, modules, functions, ...) should be open for extension, but closed for modification









**Object composition** 



#### Class inheritance

- Lets you define the implementation of one class in terms of another's
- White-box reuse



#### **Object composition**

- New functionality is obtained by assembling or composing objects to get more complex functionality
- Black-box reuse



## In most systems, both reuse techniques are commonly used

The Gang of Four will favor object composition over class inheritance where possible

- Inheritance tends to be overused
- Often simplifies designs and makes them more reusable



# Commonly correlates to adhering to the single responsibility principle (SOLID)

 A class should have one, and only one, reason to change





A design pattern is general, reusable solution to a commonly occurring problem within a given context in software design

- Look at them as a template





#### **Three GoF pattern types:**

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# Object-oriented principles used by the Gang of Four

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Up Next:

Creational Pattern: Singleton

