

3. Solid Principles

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The **SOLID** principles are a set of five design principles in object-oriented programming and software design. They aim to make software more understandable, flexible, and maintainable by following a structured approach

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S – Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

O – Open/Closed Principle (OCP)

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L – Liskov Substitution Principle (LSP)

I – Interface Segregation Principle (ISP)

D – Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP)

S–Single Responsibility Principle

A class should have only one reason to change, meaning it should only have **one responsibility**.

Example: A `User` class should only handle user-related logic, while database-related operations should be handled by a separate `UserRepository` class.

O – Open/Close Principle

- Software entities (classes, modules, functions) should be **open for extension** but **closed for modification**.
- Example: Adding new functionality to a system using **inheritance** or **composition** without modifying existing code.

L – Liskov Substitution Principle

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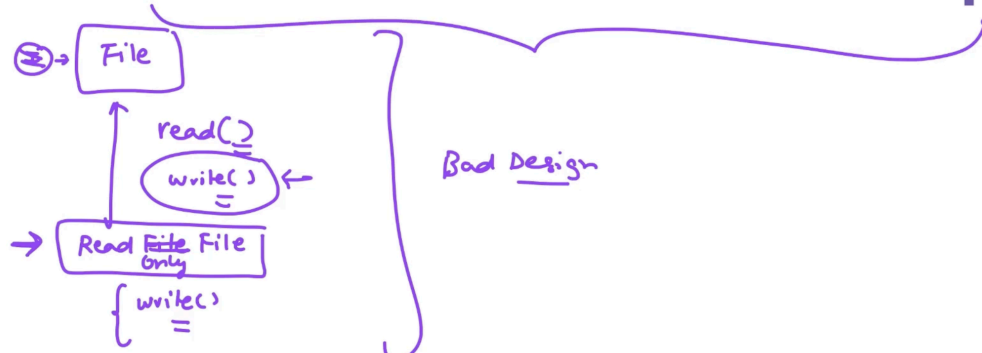
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```
class Bird {
  - eat()
  - fly()
}
```

```
class Ostrich extends Bird {
  fly() {
    throw Exception;
  }
}
```

→ `Bird b = new Ostrich();`
`b.fly()` LSP violation.

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- No client should be forced to depend on methods it doesn't use. Split large interfaces into smaller, more specific ones.

I – Interface Segregation Principle

- The **Interface Segregation Principle** ensures that classes are not burdened with methods they don't need. It promotes better design by breaking large, general-purpose interfaces into smaller, more specific ones.

It improves **maintainability**, **flexibility**, and **testability** by ensuring that classes only have the dependencies they actually require.

D – Dependency Inversion Principle

- High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules; both should depend on **abstractions**.