

Lab: Mass Effect

This document defines a lab assignment from the ["OOP" Course @ Software University](#).

Mass Effect is a video game where **starships** can **travel from one star system to another** and **attack other ships**. You are given a skeleton (partially written code) for the game as well as a problem description. Your task is to finish the game by applying the best practices of OOP. You can test your solution in the automated Judge system [here](#).

Step 1 - Read the Problem Description

Read the given problem description to better understand the problem.

Step 2 - Study the Code

Being able to find your way around someone else's code is a very important skill. Let's study the provided classes in the skeleton one by one:

- Engine
 - **GameEngine** - implements the IGameEngine interface. The **Run()** method starts a while loop until its **IsRunning** property yields false. It reads a **string command** from the console and passes it to the **ProcessCommand()** method of its CommandManager. A **try-catch** block ensures that any **ShipException** that might occur in **ProcessCommand()** will be properly handled.
 - **CommandManager** - keeps all commands in a dictionary where the key is the command as a string (e.g. "attack") and the value is the instance of the corresponding command (e.g. **new AttackCommand()**);
ProcessCommand() retrieves a command from the dictionary and calls its **Execute()** method:

```
var command = this.commandsByName[commandName];  
command.Execute(commandArgs);
```

- Commands - **none** of the commands are implemented
 - **Command** - base class for any command; holds a reference to an IGameEngine and an empty **Execute()** method.
 - **AttackCommand** - encapsulates logic for executing an attack
 - **CreateCommand** - encapsulates logic for creating a ship
 - **OverCommand** - encapsulates logic for stopping the game engine
 - **PlotJumpCommand** - encapsulates logic for changing the location of a ship
 - **StatusReportCommand** - encapsulates logic for displaying info about a ship
- Factories

- **ShipFactory** - holds method **CreateShip()** that creates a ship, given a type, name and location

```
public IStarship CreateShip(StarshipType type, string name, StarSystem location)
{
    switch (type)
    {
        case StarshipType.Frigate:
            // TODO:
        case StarshipType.Cruiser:
            // TODO:
        case StarshipType.Dreadnought:
            // TODO:
        default:
            throw new NotImplementedException("Starship type not implemented");
    }
}
```

- **EnhancementFactory** - holds method **Create()** that creates an enhancement, given a type

```
public Enhancement Create(EnhancementType enhancementType)
{
    switch (enhancementType)
    {
        case EnhancementType.ThanixCannon:
            return new Enhancement("ThanixCannon", 0, 50, 0);
        case EnhancementType.KineticBarrier:
            return new Enhancement("KineticBarrier", 100, 0, 0);
        case EnhancementType.ExtendedFuelCells:
            return new Enhancement("ExtendedFuelCells", 0, 0, 200);
        default:
            throw new NotImplementedException("Enhancement type not implemented");
    }
}
```

- **Messages** - a static class that holds **messages** as public **constants**, available for use in the entire application
- Exceptions - the namespace holds **custom exception classes**
 - **ShipException**
 - **InsufficientFuelException**
 - **LocationOutOfRangeException**
- GameObjects
 - Enhancements
 - **Enhancement** - holds **ShieldBonus**, **DamageBounus** and **FuelBonus**
 - **EnhancementType** - enumeration that holds the 3 possible enhancements - **ThanixCannon**, **KineticBarrier**, **ExtendedFuelCells**
 - Locations
 - **StarSystem** - holds name and a dictionary with all neighboring star systems, where the key is a **reference to another star system** and value is the **fuel required** to travel there (e.g. ArtemisTau -> 120).
 - Ships
 - **StarshipType** - enumeration that holds the 3 possible starship types - **Frigate**, **Cruiser** and **Dreadnought**
 - Projectiles - empty namespace left for future projectile implementations
 - **Galaxy** - class that holds a **set of all star systems** and 2 methods: **GetStarSystemByName()** and **TravelTo()**
- Interfaces

- ICommandManager - defines what a CommandManager should have - hold a reference to a **GameEngine**, **ProcessCommand()** method for processing individual commands and **SeedCommands()** method for initializing the dictionary with commands.
- IEnhanceable - defines something that can be enhanced (meaning upgraded) - holds **IEnumerable<Enhancements>** (a read-only collection of enhancements) and **AddEnhancement()** method
- IGameEngine - defines a GameEngine (see the interface for more info)
- IProjectile - defines a Projectile - holds **Damage** and **Hit()** method
- IStarship - defines a Starship (see the interface for more info). Extends **IEnhanceable**.

Take your time and study the provided code well before proceeding with the next tasks.

Step 3 - Implement Ships

The whole game depends on the 3 ship types. Let's implement classes for them! Create 3 classes in the Ships namespace - **Frigate**, **Cruiser** and **Dreadnought**. All three ships have Name, Health, Shields, Damage, Fuel, Location, enhancements and methods: **ProduceAttack()**, **RespondToAttack()**, **AddEnhancement()**.

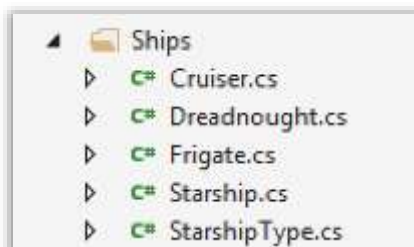
In other words, we have **common properties** and **methods**. Let's extract those common members in a **base class** - **Starship**. It should implement the **IStarship** interface (since it defines the behavior of a starship, and our class is one).

```
public class Starship : IStarship
{
    public Starship(string name, int health, int shields, int damage, double fuel,
        StarSystem location)
    {
        this.Name = name;
        // TODO: Set values to properties
    }

    public string Name { get; set; }
```

Implement the missing members of that interface (properties, methods). Think about **if the class should be allowed to be instantiated** (tip: **abstraction**). In that sense, should the constructor of Starship be **public**?

Implement concrete classes - **Frigate**, **Cruiser** and **Dreadnought**.



```
public class Cruiser // TODO: Inherit base class
{
    public Cruiser(string name, StarSystem location)
        // TODO: Reuse base constructor
    {
    }
```

Notice the problem description states that the **Frigate** should also keep **count of all projectiles fired** (we'll talk more about later). For now, just create a field **projectilesFired** in the frigate class for keeping track of all fired projectiles.

```
public class Frigate : Starship
{
    private int projectilesFired;
```

Step 4 - Implement TODOs in ShipFactory

Now that we have classes for each ship in our game, let's implement the missing parts of the **ShipFactory**.

```
public IStarship CreateShip(StarshipType type, string name,
    StarSystem location)
{
    switch (type)
    {
        case StarshipType.Frigate:
            return new Frigate(name, location);
        case StarshipType.Cruiser:
            // TODO:
        case StarshipType.Dreadnought:
            // TODO:
        default:
            throw new NotImplementedException("Starship type not
                implemented");
    }
}
```

Step 5 - Create Command

It's time we implemented our first command - **create**. The Commands namespace contains several commands, all of which inherit the base **Command** class. However, there are 3 things wrong with it.

```
// TODO: Should we allow this class to be instantiated?
public class Command
{
    // TODO: Fix constructor access modifier
    public Command(IGameEngine gameEngine)
    {
        this.GameEngine = gameEngine;
    }

    public IGameEngine GameEngine { get; set; }

    // TODO: Fix empty method (tip: abstraction)
    public void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }
}
```

Now that we've fixed the base Command class, it's time we started implementing our concrete commands.

As we already saw, each command's **Execute()** method is called whenever a command string is entered by the user. Obviously, each command class will implement that method differently.

In order for a descendant class to change a method, it needs to **override** it.

```
public class CreateCommand : Command
{
    public CreateCommand(IGameEngine gameEngine)
        : base(gameEngine)
    {
    }

    public override void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
    {
    }
}
```

```
public override void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
{
    string type = commandArgs[1];
    string shipName = commandArgs[2];
    string locationName = commandArgs[3];

    bool shipAlreadyExists = this.GameEngine.Starships
        .Any(s => s.Name == shipName);

    // TODO: Validate that starship exists

    var location = this.GameEngine.Galaxy.GetStarSystemByName(locationName);
    StarshipType shipType = (StarshipType)Enum.Parse(typeof(StarshipType), type);

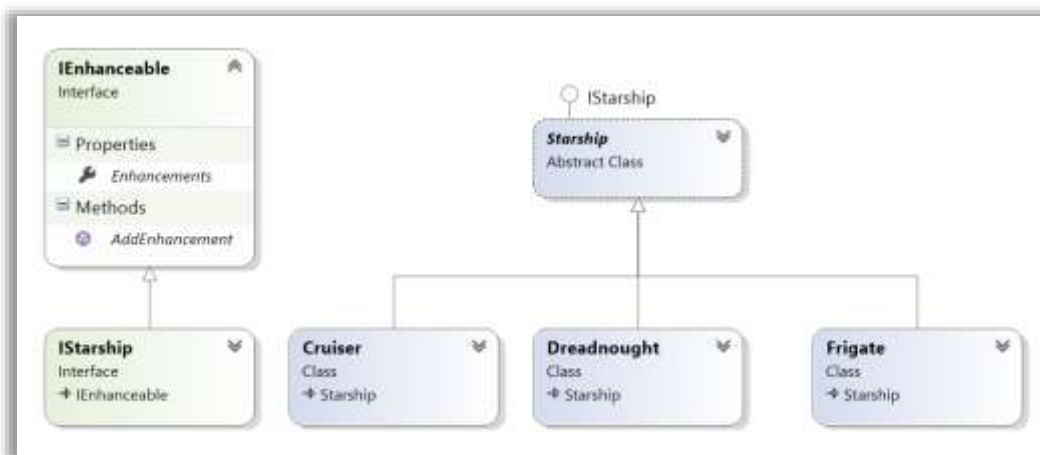
    // TODO: Create ship using the ShipFactory from the GameEngine
    // TODO: Add ship to Starships in the GameEngine

    Console.WriteLine(Messages.CreatedShip, shipType, shipName);
}
```

If everything is correct, the **Create** command should successfully create a ship and add it to the Starships collection in the engine.

Step 6 - Implement AddEnhancement()

The starships we made (**Frigate**, **Cruiser** and **Dreadnought**) inherit **Starship**. **Starship** implements the **IStarship** interface. **IStarship** extends the **IEnhanceable** (which defines behavior for holding enhancements and adding new ones). Therefore, all ships are **enhanceable**.



Since all ships are **IEnhanceable**, they have **AddEnhancement()** method.

Judging from the **Create** command, all arguments after the 4th will be enhancements (e.g. `create {shipType} {shipName} {starSystem} {enhancement1 enhancement2 ...}`).

Let's go back to the **CreateCommand** class and add enhancements after we've created a ship.

```
for (int i = 4; i < commandArgs.Length; i++)
{
    var enhancementType = (EnhancementType)
        Enum.Parse(typeof(EnhancementType), commandArgs[i]);

    Enhancement enhancement = null;
    // TODO: Create enhancement using the EnhancementFactory from the GameEngine
    ship.AddEnhancement(enhancement);
}

Console.WriteLine(Messages.CreatedShip, shipType, shipName);
}
```

So far so good, but we need to implement the **AddEnhancement()** method. The question is - where? In Frigate? In Dreadnought? No, in **Spaceship** - it is the base class for all ships so each ship will reuse it.

```
public abstract class Starship : IStarship
{
    public void AddEnhancement(Enhancement enhancement)
    {
        if (enhancement == null)
        {
            throw new ArgumentNullException("Enhancement cannot be null");
        }

        this.enhancements.Add(enhancement);
        // TODO: Apply enhancement effects to shields, damage and fuel
    }
}
```

But, **enhancements** is **IEnumerable<Enhancement>**. How do we add an element to an **IEnumerable** collection? We don't.

Internally we keep the enhancements as **private IList<Enhancement>** (a collection that allows adding elements) and add to that collection. But we reveal it as **IEnumerable<Enhancement>** (a collection that can only be iterated).

```
private IList<Enhancement> enhancements;

public IEnumerable<Enhancement> Enhancements
{
    get
    {
        return this.enhancements;
    }
}
```

Why is this allowed? Because **IList<T>** extends **IEnumerable<T>** and thanks to **polymorphism** we can reveal a more concrete object as a more abstract one.

Note: That way nobody from outside the class can add/remove enhancements, because the collection is revealed as **IEnumerable**. Inside the class, however, we can work with **IList** and we can add/remove elements.

Step 7 - Status Report Command

Just like **CreateCommand**, **StatusReportCommand** should inherit the base **Command** class and override its **Execute()** method.

It should print information about a given ship in the following format:

If health > 0	If health <= 0
--{shipName} - {shipType} -Location: {locationName} -Health: {health} -Shields: {shields} -Damage: {damage} -Fuel: {fuel} -Enhancements: {enh1, enh2, ...}	--{shipName} - {shipType} (Destroyed)

The format varies depending on the ship's health. Let's implement the command:

1. Inherit the **Command** class
2. Reuse the base constructor to avoid code repetition
3. Override the abstract **Execute()** method:
 - Get the ship from the engine by name
 - Print the ship to the console by calling its **ToString()** method

```
public class StatusReportCommand // TODO: Inherit Command
{
    public StatusReportCommand(IGameEngine gameEngine)
        // TODO: Reuse base constructor
    {
    }

    // TODO: Override base method
    public void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
    {
        string shipName = commandArgs[1];
        IStarship ship = null;
        // TODO: Get ship from engine

        Console.WriteLine(ship.ToString());
    }
}
```

Obviously the ship's **ToString()** method must return information about the ship.

However, by default **ToString()** returns the class' type. We want it to return ship info. Fortunately for us, **ToString()** is a virtual method - therefore we can override it and change its behavior for our needs.

Let's go to the base **Starship** class and override its **ToString()** method. By overriding a method in a parent class, all child classes also inherit the overridden method.

```
public override string ToString()
{
    StringBuilder output = new StringBuilder();
    output.AppendLine(string.Format("--{0} - {1}", this.Name, this.GetType()
        ().Name));

    if (this.Health <= 0)
    {
        output.Append("(Destroyed)");
    }
    else
    {
        output.AppendLine(string.Format("-Location: {0}", this.Location.Name));
        // TODO: Append all other information - health, shields, damage, fuel,
        //       enhancements
    }

    // TODO: Return result
}
```

Thanks to **inheritance** the **Frigate**, **Cruiser** and **Dreadnought** classes inherit the above method implementation and we **avoid code repetition**!

However, there is one more thing: If the ship is a **frigate** (and not destroyed), it should also display the number of projectiles fired so far in the format:

-Projectiles fired: {count}

We need to override the **Frigate's ToString()** method too and add that additional line. Make sure you do not repeat any code by reusing the base (Starship) implementation!

```
public class Frigate : Starship
{
    public override string ToString()
    {
        // TODO: Reuse base implementation

        if (this.Health > 0)
        {
            // TODO: Append additional info
        }

        // TODO: Return result
    }
}
```

Step 8 - Attack Command

Time to implement the attack command. Let's go to the **AttackCommand** class and override the **Execute()** method.

1. We get the **attacker ship name** and **target ship name** from the command arguments

2. Then we get the **ships** with those **names** from the engine
3. Finally, we pass the 2 ships to our **ProcessStarshipBattle()** method (notice how it's **private** because there is **no need** for the method to be visible to the outside world)

```
public class AttackCommand : Command
{
    public AttackCommand(IGameEngine gameEngine)
        : base(gameEngine)
    {
    }

    public override void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
    {
        string attackerName = commandArgs[1];
        string targetName = commandArgs[2];

        IStarship attackingShip = null, targetShip = null;
        // TODO: Get attacking ship and target ship from engine

        this.ProcessStarshipBattle(attackingShip, targetShip);
    }

    private void ProcessStarshipBattle(IStarship attackingShip, IStarship targetShip)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }
}
```

The **ProcessStarshipBattle()** method should do the following things:

1. Validate that the 2 ships have **not been destroyed** (are still alive)
2. Validate the two ships are in the **same star system** (by rules, a ship cannot ships in other star systems)
3. The attacking ship's **ProduceAttack()** method should produce a projectile
4. The target ship should take the projectile using its **RespondToAttack()** method
5. Finally, check if the target ship's health or shields has fallen **below 0** and **raise them back to 0**

First, let's create method that validates whether a ship is alive (not destroyed).

```
protected void ValidateAlive(IStarship ship)
{
    if (ship.Health <= 0)
    {
        // TODO: Throw the custom ShipException with a
        // message from the Messages class
    }
}
```

Think about where you should place this method - it will be used by several commands later (not only the **AttackCommand** class).

```

private void ProcessStarshipBattle(IStarship attackingShip, IStarship targetShip)
{
    base.ValidateAlive(attackingShip);
    base.ValidateAlive(targetShip);

    // TODO: Validate both ships are in the same star system

    IProjectile attack = attackingShip.ProduceAttack();
    // TODO: Pass the produced projectile to the target ship's RespondToAttack()

    Console.WriteLine(Messages.ShipAttacked, attackingShip.Name,
        targetShip.Name);

    if (targetShip.Shields < 0)
    {
        // TODO: Raise shields to 0
    }

    if (targetShip.Health <= 0)
    {
        // TODO: Raise health to 0
        Console.WriteLine(Messages.ShipDestroyed, targetShip.Name);
    }
}

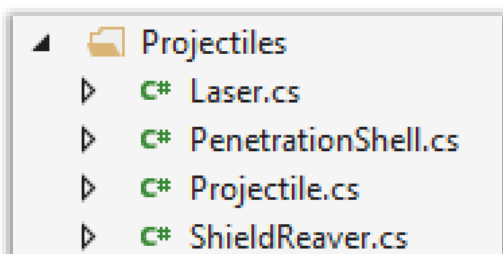
```

If all is right, the attack command should be ready. But it cannot work correctly until we implement each ship's (Frigate, Cruiser and Dreadnought) **ProduceAttack()** and **RespondToAttack()** methods.

Step 9 - Implement ProduceAttack()

Every ship has a **ProduceAttack()** method (as defined by the **IStarship** interface). The method's return type is **IProjectile** - this suggests it must return the projectile of the attacking ship. The problem description states that every ship fires a different projectile - **Penetration Shell**, **Shield Reaver** or **Laser**. Let's implement the projectiles.

Create a base class **Projectile** and a class for each of the actual projectiles - **Laser**, **PenetrationShell** and **ShieldReaver**.



Projectile should serve as a **base class** for all projectiles and should **not allow to be instantiated**. It should also implement the **IProjectile** interface.

The interface defines that all projectile should have **damage** (passed by the firing ship) and **Hit()** method.

```
// TODO: Make class abstract
public class Projectile : IProjectile
{
    // TODO: Change access modifier
    public Projectile(int damage)
    {
        this.Damage = damage;
    }

    public int Damage { get; set; }

    // TODO: Method should not have a body
    public void Hit(IStarship targetShip)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }
}
```

Let's take a look at what each projectile's **Hit()** method should do:

- **PenetrationShell** - removes **health** from the ship equal to the projectile's **damage**.
- **ShieldReaver** - removes **health** from the ship equal to **the projectile's damage**. It also removes **shields** from the ship equal to **2x the projectile's damage**.
- **Laser** - removes **shields** from the ship equal to the projectile's **damage**. If the damage is more than the ship's shields, it also takes health equal to the damage left. (e.g. **50 shields** and **100 health** - a laser of **80 damage** would remove **50 shields** and **30 health**, resulting in **0 shields** and **70 health** for the ship).

Let's start with the **PenetrationShell**:

1. Create a **PenetrationShell** class and **inherit** the **base Projectile** class
 - a. Reuse the base constructor
2. Override the abstract **Hit()** method. It should **subtract health** from the **hit ship** equal to the **projectile's own damage**

```
public class PenetrationShell // TODO: Inherit Projectile
{
    public PenetrationShell(int damage)
        // TODO: Reuse base constructor
    {
    }

    // TODO: Override base abstract method
    public void Hit(IStarship targetShip)
    {
        targetShip.Health -= this.Damage;
    }
}
```

Do the same for each of the other **Projectile** classes - **ShieldReaver** and **Laser**.

Now that we have the projectile's available, it's time we implemented the **ProduceAttack()** method for each of our ships.

Ship	Projectile	Description
Frigate	PenetrationShell	Shoots a ShieldReaver with damage equal to its own damage .
Cruiser	ShieldReaver	Shoots a PenetrationShell with damage equal to its own damage .
Dreadnought	Laser	Shoots a Laser with damage equal to half its shields + own damage .

For example, a **Cruiser** should produce a **PenetrationShell** with damage equal to its own damage.

```
public class Cruiser : Starship
{
    // TODO: Override base method
    public IProjectile ProduceAttack()
    {
        return new PenetrationShell(this.Damage);
    }
}
```

Follow the table above and do the same for other ships as well.

Hint: Increase the **projectilesFired** field of Frigates before producing a projectile.

Step 10 - Implement RespondToAttack()

Let's take a look at how different ships respond to attacks.

Ship	Response
Frigate	None (i.e. they just get hit)
Cruiser	None (i.e. they just get hit)
Dreadnought	Raises its shields by 50 before getting hit (and removes them after that)

In other words, the **RespondToAttack()** method of **Frigates** and **Cruisers** should only call the **Hit()** method of the projectile.

```
public abstract class Starship : IStarship
{
    public virtual void RespondToAttack(IProjectile projectile)
    {
        projectile.Hit(this);
    }
}
```

Since this **behavior is common** for the majority of ships, it's safe to extract it to the base **Starship** class. We declare it virtual, so any descendants who wish to change the method should be free to do so.

The only descendant class which responds differently to attacks is the **Dreadnought**.

```
public class Dreadnought : Starship
{
    public override void RespondToAttack(IProjectile attack)
    {
        this.Shields += 50;

        // TODO: Call base method implementation

        this.Shields -= 50;
    }
}
```

Step 11 - Plot Jump Command

The command should change the location of the given starship to another star system. The following steps should be taken:

1. Get the **ship** from the engine by name
2. Validate it is not destroyed
3. Get the **destination star system** from the **Galaxy**
4. Validate that the ship is not already in the given destination
5. Call the appropriate method from the galaxy class to perform the travel for you

Hint: Look through the **Galaxy** class

```
public class PlotJumpCommand : Command
{
    public override void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
    {
        string shipName = commandArgs[1];
        string destinationName = commandArgs[2];

        IStarship ship = null;
        // TODO: Get starship by name
        this.ValidateAlive(ship);

        var previousLocation = ship.Location;
        StarSystem destination = null;
        // TODO: Get destination star system from galaxy

        if (previousLocation.Name == destinationName)
        {
            throw new ShipException(string.Format(Messages.ShipAlreadyInStarSystem,
                destinationName));
        }

        // TODO: Call a method from the galaxy class to perform the travel
        Console.WriteLine(Messages.ShipTraveled, shipName, previousLocation.Name,
            destinationName);
    }
}
```


Step 12 - Over Command

Implementing the **over** command is done like just any other command - we override the **Execute()** method in the **OverCommand** class. This one is up to you - look up the **GameEngine** class and see if there's any property you can change to stop the engine.

Step 13 - System Report Command

The **system-report** command should print all ships in the given star system. Let's create a new **SystemReportCommand** class (following the naming convention of the other command classes - "**CommandName + Command**"). It should inherit the base **Command** class and reuse its constructor.

```
public class SystemReportCommand : Command
{
    public SystemReportCommand(IGameEngine gameEngine)
        : base(gameEngine)
    {
    }

    public override void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }
}
```

Its **Execute()** method should print information about all ships in the given star system as defined in the description.

```
public override void Execute(string[] commandArgs)
{
    string locationName = commandArgs[1];

    IEnumerable<IShip> intactShips = null;
    // TODO: Get intact ships (with positive health) and sort
    // them by Health and by shields as second criteria

    StringBuilder output = new StringBuilder();
    output.AppendLine("Intact ships:");
    output.AppendLine(intactShips.Any() ?
        string.Join("\n", intactShips) : "N/A");

    IEnumerable<IShip> destroyedShips = null;
    // TODO: Get destroyed ships and sort them by name

    output.AppendLine("Destroyed ships:");
    output.AppendLine(destroyedShips.Any() ?
        string.Join("\n", destroyedShips) : "N/A");

    Console.WriteLine(output.ToString());
}
```

Step 14 - Extend the Engine

We have our new command class. However, the problem description explicitly tells us we have to extend the game engine **without editing its source code** (following the so-called **Open/Closed Principle** - open for extension, closed for modification).

This is often the case with external libraries - we wish to extend a library's functionality by adding our own code, but the library is already compiled (thus we do not have access to the source code).

One possible way to **extend a class' functionality** is to **inherit the class** and **override the methods** we wish to change. Let's take a look at the **GameEngine** class.

```
public sealed class GameEngine : IGameEngine
{
```

It is declared sealed - therefore it cannot be inherited. But we need to add a new command to the engine - commands are stored in the **CommandManager** class.

```
public class CommandManager : ICommandManager
{
    protected readonly Dictionary<string, Command> commandsByName;

    public virtual void SeedCommands()
    {
        this.commandsByName["create"] = new CreateCommand(this.Engine);
        this.commandsByName["attack"] = new AttackCommand(this.Engine);
        this.commandsByName["status-report"] = new StatusReportCommand(this.Engine);
        this.commandsByName["plot-jump"] = new PlotJumpCommand(this.Engine);
        this.commandsByName["over"] = new OverCommand(this.Engine);
    }
}
```

Again, we are not allowed to edit this class (if we were, we would simply add the **system-report** command and be done with it). But if we look closely:

- **SeedCommands()** is left **virtual** (i.e. can be overridden by descending classes)
- **commandsByName** has access modifier **protected** (i.e. can be accessed by descending classes)

Let's create a **ExtendedCommandManager** class that inherits the existing **CommandManager**. The new class should override the **SeedCommands()** method and add the newly created command to the dictionary.

```
public class ExtendedCommandManager : CommandManager
{
    public override void SeedCommands()
    {
        // TODO: Reuse base method (do NOT repeat code!)

        // TODO: Add new command to dictionary as "system-report"
    }
}
```

Note: Reuse the base method implementation (just like you reuse a base constructor) - do NOT repeat code.

If all is well, the **ExtendedCommandManager** should support all old commands, as well as the newly created **SystemReportCommand**.

One last thing - we need to change the **commandManager** instance we pass to the **GameEngine** in the **Main()** method.

```
public class MassEffectMain
{
    static void Main()
    {
        Galaxy galaxy = new Galaxy();
        SeedStarSystems(galaxy);

        // TODO: Change CommandManager to ExtendedCommandManager (only
        // right side)
        ICommandManager commandManager = new CommandManager();
        IGameEngine engine = new GameEngine(commandManager, galaxy);
        engine.Run();
    }
}
```