



Implementation covers the standards used for coding. This involves what makes for both good code, and what forms compliant code. Compliant code is code which adheres to an Application Programming Interface (API)

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## READABILITY

JAVADOC

Oracle Source

BST  
C++ / Heap

## CODING GUIDELINES

- Naming (Naming, Variables)
- Consistency
- Case (Camel, Underscore)
- Indentation (DO IT!)
- Function Size (RoT: 50 lines)
- Comments

## WHY USE AN API

- Abstraction
- Users (Hide Implementation)
- Legos (Modularization)
- Pencils vs. Pen (Easier to change)
- Easier to Optimize
- First to contact, first to contract

# SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION

- Pimpl Idiom
  - Advantages
  - Disadvantages
- Threading

Pimpl:

Pointer to Implementation C++

JAVA: Strong Bridge

Advantages:

- Information Hiding
- Reduced Coupling
- Faster Compiling
- Greater Binary Compatibility
- Lazy Allocation

Disadvantages:

- Extra Objects, Performance hit due to extra level of indirection
- Developer Inconvenience (prefix all private member accesses with mImpl->
  - Harder to read / debug
  - This affects the developer, not the user
  - Compiler will no longer catch certain errors (changing consts behind the abstraction)

Threading:

- Decide beforehand
- Choose Decomposition
- Design Solution
- Implement Serial Version BEFORE parallelizing



## SOURCES

- <http://www.joelonsoftware.com/articles/Wrong.html>
- API Design for C++, Martin Reddy
- Essentials of Software Engineering,