Code refactoring



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Refactoring

A change made to the internal structure of software to make it easier to understand and cheaper to modify without changing its observable behavior.

Martin Fowler



Why change something that works?

- // Replace old, hard to understand code with new one
- // We know more than at the beginning of the project
- // Move solutions to newer approaches / technologies
- // Easier and faster application development
- // Cheaper maintenance
- // Way to pay the technical dept



Technical debt

Shipping first time code is like going into debt. A little debt speeds development so long as it is paid back promptly with a rewrite. The danger occurs when the debt is not repaid.

Ward Cunningham



How to loan technical debt?

```
// Taking shortcuts
// Ignoring old code
// Premature optimization
```

Premature optimization is the root of all evil.

- 1. Avoid over-engineering (YAGNI You Ain't Gonna Need It)
- 2. Avoid Gold-Plating your code



Refactoring process

- 1. Understand code
- 2. Verify existing behaviour
- **3.** Write tests
- 4. Apply refactoring
- 5. Verify behaviour hasn't changed



Boy scout rule





Code smells

Code that indicates some bigger problem or antipattern usage.

- 1. How to identify?
- 2. How to fix?
- **3.** Why we want to refactor?



Code smell - Long Methods

- Every method containing more than 20 lines should pay our attention
- 2. Extract to smaller methods
- Usually long methods break Single Responsibility principle, are harder to read and reason about

Intellij Tip: Ctrl + Alt + M - extract method



Code smell - Long Methods

```
public static void main(String... args) {
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   System.out.println("I:::::In::::n
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   System.out.println("Current date is " + LocalDateTime.now());
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println("1. Check available courses");
   System.out.println("2. Enroll to course");
   System.out.println("3. Check my course status");
   System.out.println("4. Exit");
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println();
   System.out.println();
```

```
public static void main(String... args) {
    printBanner();
    printCurrentDate();
    printEmptySection();
    printMenu();
    printEmptySection();
    printCurrentDate();
}
```



Code smell - Primitive Obsession

- 1. Representing domain objects by primitive types, constants usage instead of enums
- 2. Logically group primitives into their own class
- 3. Better understandability and organization of code

Intellij Tip: Ctrl + Alt + c - extract constance



Code smell - Primitive Obsession

```
private static void printReport(String city, long population) {
    System.out.println("Population of city " + city + " is " + population);
}
```

```
private static void printReport(City city) {
    System.out.println(String.format(REPORT, city.getName(), city.getPopulation(), city.getNumberOfCinemas()));
}
```



Code smell - Nulls overuse

- Application flow based on null values returned from methods
- 2. Use optionals
- 3. Gives clean intentions to other programmers about possible method outcome

Intellij Tip: Ctrl + Alt + v - extract variable



Code smell - Nulls overuse

```
private static void printAssignedDoctor(Patient patient) {
   if (patient.getDoctor() != null) {
      System.out.println(String.format("Patient %s is assi
   } else {
      System.out.println(String.format("Patient %s does no
   }
}
```

```
private static void printAssignedDoctor(Patient patient) {
    Optional<Doctor> doctor = patient.getDoctor();
    if (doctor.isPresent()) {
        System.out.println(String.format("Patient %s is assi
    } else {
        System.out.println(String.format("Patient %s does no
    }
}
```



Code smell - comments

- 1. Comments (not JavaDoc) in code
- 2. Refactor code so comments will be not necessary to understand it
- 3. Code becomes more intuitive and obvious.



Code smell - comments

```
// check if isbn contains only digits
if (!cleanIsbn.matches( regex: "[0-9]+")) {
    return false;
}

if (doesNotContainOnlyDigits(cleanIsbn)) {
    return false;
}
```



Code smell - Bad naming

- Meaningless names for methods, variables etc.
- Rename and give names more meaning
- 3. Code is easier to understand

```
int foo = sum(basket.items);
int totalPrice = countTotalPrice(basket.getItems());
```

Intellij Tip: Shift + F6 - rename



Code smell - Public fields

- 1. Classes with direct access to their internal values
- 2. Access fields via accessors methods
- 3. Better encapsulation



Code smell - Public fields

```
public class Basket {
    private final List<Item> items;

public Basket (List<Item> items) {
        this.items = items;
    }

public Basket(List<Item> items) {
        this.items = items;
    }

public List<Item> getItems() {
        return items;
    }
}
```

```
basket.items.size() ______basket.getItems().size()
```



Code smell - Temp variables

- 1. Variable that exists only to store temporary result
- 2. Use streams with reduction or recursion
- 3. Code becomes more intuitive and obvious



Code smell - Temp variables

```
double discounted = foo;
  if (foo > 200 || basket.items.size() > 5) {
      discounted = foo * 0.8;
  return discounted;
if (shouldBeDiscounted(basket, totalPrice)) {
    return countDiscountedPrice(totalPrice);
return totalPrice;
```



Code smell - Complex if condition

- 1. Condition too complex to understand at first glance
- Move to method with name explaining condition
- 3. Application flow becomes easier to understand

```
if (shouldBeDiscounted(basket, totalPrice)) {
    return countDiscountedPrice(totalPrice);
}

if (foo > 200 || basket.items.size() > 5) {
    discounted = foo * 0.8;
}

private boolean shouldBeDiscounted(Basket basket, int totalPrice) {
    return totalPrice > 200 || basket.getItems().size() > 5;
}
```



Code smell - ignoring language features

- 1. Usage of old approaches in new code
- 2. Change code so it will be using new features



Code smell - ignoring language features

```
private int sum(List<Item> items) {
  int s = 0;

for (Item i: items) {
    if (!i.isForFree) {
        s += i.price;
    }
}

return s;
}

private int countTotalPrice(List<Item> items) {
    return items.stream()
        .filter(i -> !i.isForFree())
        .mapToInt(Item::getPrice)
        .sum();
}
```



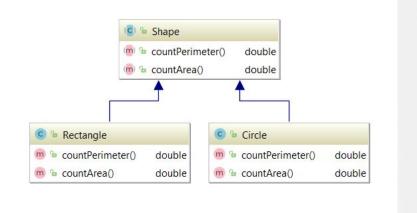
Code smell - Switches

- 1. Use switches instead of OOP design
- Move from switch usage to one abstract class and several implementations
- 3. Code become more concise, it's easier to add new class implementations than switch cases



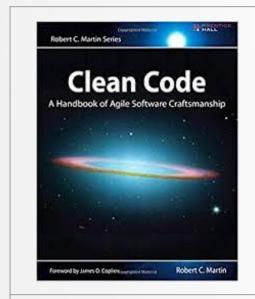
Code smell - Switches

```
public double calculateArea(Shape shape) {
    switch (shape.getType()) {
        case CIRCLE:
            return shape.getRadius() * shape.getRadius() * Math.PI;
        case RECTANGLE:
            return shape.getWidth() * shape.getHeight();
        default:
            throw new RuntimeException("Unsupported shape: " + shape.getType());
    }
}
```

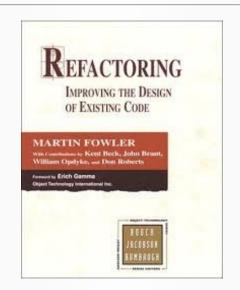




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