Software Composition Paradigms

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Cohesion

► How can code cohesion be improved in the following Java class Flight that is part of a larger model of an airline system?

```
class Flight {
   FlightNr flightNr;
   Airport departure;
   Airport destination;
   AircraftType aircraft;
   SeatMap seatMap;
   public FlightNr getFlightNr() {...}
   public Airport getDeparture() {...}
   public Airport getDestination() {...}
   public AircraftType getAircraft() {...}
   public SeatMap getSeatMap() {...}
```

Subtyping

Explain the substitution principle in the context of subtyping in object-oriented languages and give an example.

Prototype-based Programming

In the absence of classes and class inheritance, what is a mechanism for reusing code in a prototype-based language like Self? Describe briefly how the mechanism works.

Mixins and Traits

Scala linearisation exercise (see lecture)

Mixins and Traits

Define the **flattening** property of traits.

Mixins and Traits

Describe how super calls are resolved in the context of mixins in the Scala language. Contrast with super calls in Java in the context of single inheritance.

Aspect-Oriented Programming

Explain the following sentence: "Aspects make quantified statements about the behavior of programs."

Aspect-Oriented Programming

► A pointcut is a set of join points where advice can be inserted.

Describe the kind of join points captured by the AspectJ pointcut:

```
call(void *.set*(..));
```

Aspect-Oriented Programming

Complete the following sentence by inserting one of the choices given below.

Aspects are well-modularised

- 1. interfaces to data or behaviour
- 2. cross-tree constraints
- 3. cross-cutting concerns

Metaprogramming & Reflection

▶ An computational system uses a class-based object-oriented language to specify the state and behaviour of its programs. Your task is to **design an object-oriented meta system** for this computational base system. How will your meta system represent classes of the base system? Give a brief justification.

Metaprogramming & Reflection

▶ In a reflective system, a meta program manipulates and modifies the base program. What can you say about the relation between base program and meta program?

Context-Oriented Programming

Consider the following context-oriented program excerpt.

```
class Hello {
   String msg() { return("Hello "); }
   layer A { String msg() { return(proceed() + "beautiful "); } }
   layer B { String msg() { return(proceed() + "wonderful "); } }
   layer C { String msg() { return("Good day world"); } }
   layer D { String msg() { return(proceed() + "world "); } }
}
```

What is the output of each of the print statements below?

```
Hello obj = new Hello();
with (A) { with (B) { with (D) { println(obj.msg()); } } }
with (B) { with (D) { with (E) { println(obj.msg()); } } }
with (A) { with (B) { with (C) { println(obj.msg()); } } }
```

Feature-Oriented Software Product Lines

Software product line engineering distinguishes two engineering processes: domain engineering and application engineering. Describe the activities that each process entails.

Feature-Oriented Software Product Lines

What is a **feature** in the context of Feature-Oriented Software Product Lines?

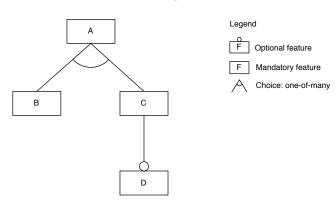
What is the purpose of a feature model?

Feature-Oriented Programming

► Feature-Oriented Software Development aims to establish **feature traceability** between problem and solution space. Explain the reasons and benefits of this approach.

Feature-Oriented Programming

Consider the following feature diagram. List **all valid feature selections** defined by the underlying feature model.



Feature-Oriented Programming

▶ In FOP, a feature module corresponds to a feature and vice-versa. Why is this 1:1 mapping sometimes too rigid (not flexible enough)?

Delta-Oriented Programming

▶ **Deltas** in Delta-Oriented Programming and **feature modules** in Feature-Oriented Programming are similar concepts to encapsulate the behaviour of features. Explain the differences.

Delta-Oriented Programming

Consider a program in the ABS language. The two deltas D1 and D2 implement features F1 and F2 respectively. When both features F1 and F2 are selected, a conflict arises. This conflict is resolved by application of a third delta, D3. Complete the following product line configuration to make sure that:

- Delta D1 is applied whenever feature F1 is selected.
- Delta D2 is applied whenever feature F2 is selected.
- Delta D3 is applied whenever both features F1 and F2 are selected.
- Delta D3 is always applied after applying D1 and D2.

```
productline MySPL;
features F1, F2;
delta D1 ...
delta D2 ...
delta D3 ...
```

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