



DESIGN PATTERNS

CSC 207 SOFTWARE DESIGN



Course Overview

Tools (Weeks 1-4)

- Java
- Version Control
- Software Tools

Design (Weeks 5-8)

- Clean Architecture
- SOLID
- Design Patterns

Professional Topics (Weeks 9-12)

- Ethics
- Internships
- GenAI

- **Last week** we discussed testing in Clean Architecture and packages.
- **This week**, we will:
 - introduce **design patterns**, and
 - have our first embedded ethics module on **user diversity**

Questions to be answered this week...

- What is a design pattern?
- What are the three categories of design patterns we will cover, and what are examples of each?
- Why shouldn't we design software applications only for the majority?
- What is relational harm?

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Know what a design pattern is.
- Know the three broad categories of design patterns.
- Recognize some common design patterns and understand how to apply them.





DESIGN PATTERNS

- A **design pattern** is a general description of the solution to a well-established problem.
- Patterns describe the shape of the code rather than the details.
- They're a means of communicating design ideas.
- They are not specific to any single programming language.
- You can learn about lots of patterns in CSC301 (Introduction to Software Engineering) and CSC302 (Engineering Large Software Systems).





LOOSE COUPLING, HIGH COHESION

- These are two goals of object-oriented design.
- **Coupling**: the interdependencies between objects. The fewer couplings the better, because that way we can test and modify each piece independently.
- **Cohesion**: how strongly related the parts are inside a class. High cohesion means that a class does one job — and does it well. If a class has low cohesion, then the class has parts that don't relate to each other.
- Design patterns are often applied to **decrease coupling** and **increase cohesion**.



REMINDER: SOLID

- Single Responsibility Principle
- Open-Closed Principle
- Liskov Substitution Principle
- Interface Segregation Principle
- Dependency Inversion Principle

Keep these in mind as we discuss each design pattern!



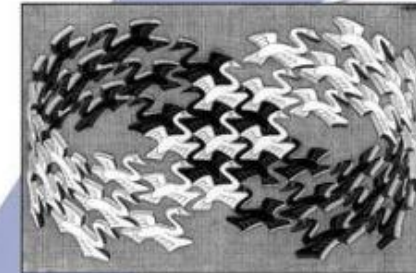
GANG OF FOUR

- First codified by the Gang of Four in 1995
- Original book described 23 patterns
 - - More have been added
 - - Other authors have written books

Design Patterns

Elements of Reusable
Object-Oriented Software

Erich Gamma
Richard Helm
Ralph Johnson
John Vlissides



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THE BOOK PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF:

- **Design Pattern Name**
- **Problem**
 - when to use the pattern
 - motivation: sample application scenario
 - applicability: guidelines for when your code needs this pattern
- **Solution**
 - structure: **UML Class Diagram of generic solution**
 - participants: description of the basic classes involved in the generic solution
 - collaborations: describes the relationships and collaborations among the generic solution participants
 - sample code
- **Consequences, Known Uses, Related Patterns, Anti-patterns**
 - Anti-patterns: what the code might look like *before* applying the pattern



DESIGN PATTERNS, CATEGORIES OF

Creational (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Creational_pattern)

- Patterns related to how we create instances of our classes.

Behavioural (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Behavioral_pattern)

- Patterns related to how instances of our classes communicate.

Structural (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Structural_pattern)

- Patterns related to how classes can naturally fit together.



DESIGN PATTERNS THAT WE WILL COVER

Creational:

- Dependency Injection, Simple Factory, Builder

Behavioural:

- Strategy, Observer

Structural:

- Adapter, Façade

https://sourcemaking.com/design_patterns/ has detailed explanations of many design patterns, which you may find useful for your project and beyond this course.

Similarly, <https://refactoring.guru/design-patterns> also provides code examples of various patterns



CREATIONAL PATTERNS

DEPENDENCY INJECTION



DEPENDENCY IN OBJECT ORIENTED PROGRAMMING

- A “dependency” relationship between two classes (also called a “using” relationship) means that any change to the second class will change the functionality of the first.
- Example:
 - a class Course may depend on a class Student because a Course contains instances of class Student.



DEPENDENCY INJECTION EXAMPLE: BEFORE

- Using operator new inside the first class can create an instance of a second class that cannot be used nor tested independently. This is called a “**hard dependency**”.
- This code creates a hard dependency from Course to Student:

```
public class Course {  
    private List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();  
  
    public Course(List<String> studentNames) {  
        for (String name : studentNames) {  
            Student student = new Student(name);  
            students.add(student);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



DEPENDENCY INJECTION DESIGN PATTERN

- Problem:
 - We are writing a class, and we need to assign values to the instance variables, but we don't want to introduce a hard dependency.





DEPENDENCY INJECTION EXAMPLE: AFTER

- The solution: create the Student objects *outside* and *inject* them into Course, which means pass as a parameter to a constructor or a setter or adder. This allows subclasses of Student to be injected into Course.

```
public class Course {  
    private List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();  
  
    // Student objects are created outside the Course class and injected here.  
    public add(Student s) {  
        this.students.add(s);  
    }  
    // We might also inject all of them at once.  
    public addAll(List<Student> studentsToAdd) {  
        this.students.addAll(studentsToAdd);  
    }  
}
```

Bonus: Is there still another hard dependency in the code?



DEPENDENCY INJECTION: IN PRACTICE

- Where have we seen Dependency Injection before in Clean Architecture?
- How does the Dependency Inversion Principle (SOLID) relate to the Dependency Injection Design Pattern?



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SIMPLE FACTORY

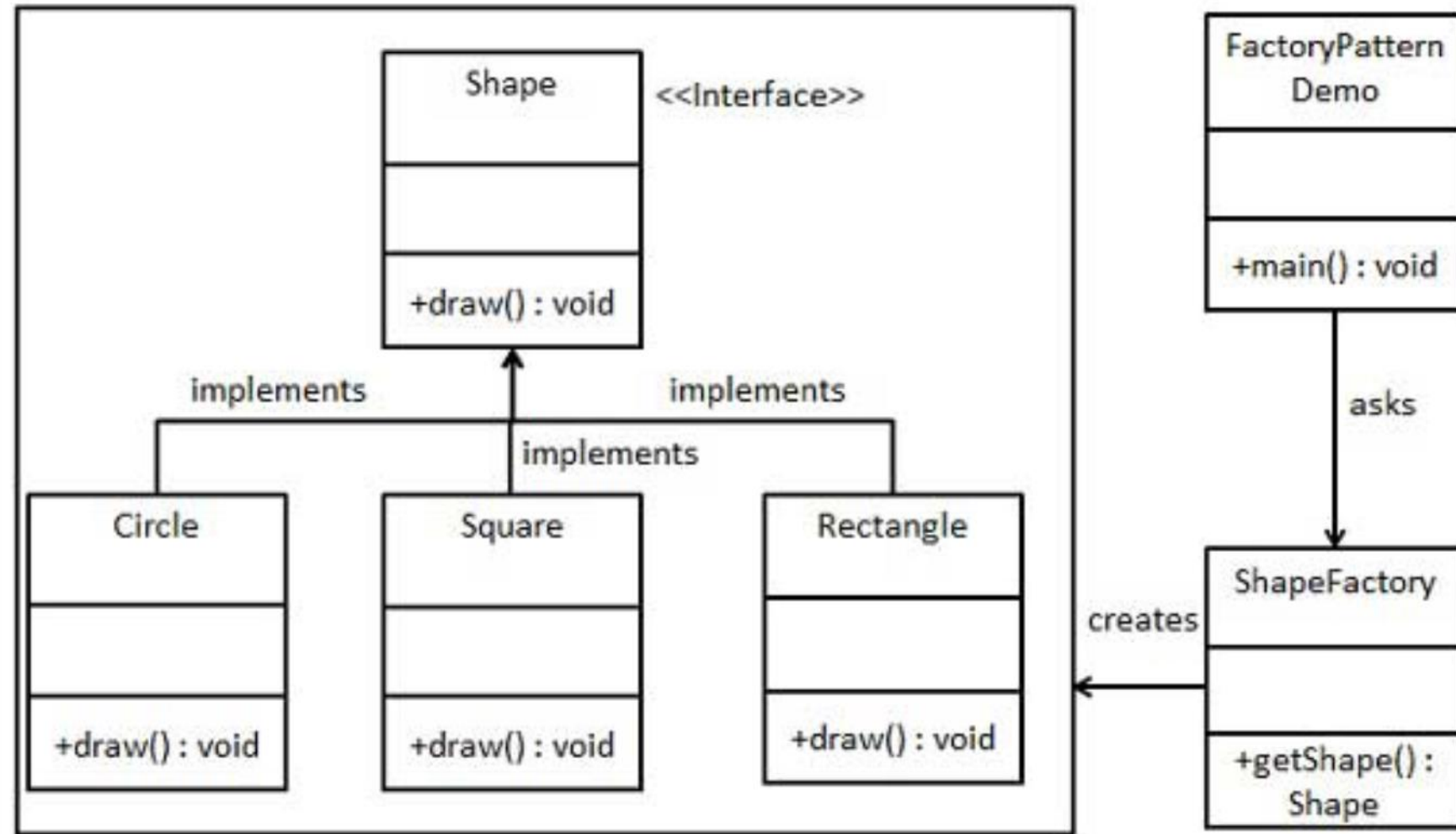


SIMPLE FACTORY DESIGN PATTERN

- Problem:
 - One class wants to interact with many possible related objects.
 - We want to obscure the creation process for these related objects.
 - Later, we might want to change the types of the objects we are creating (so avoiding hard dependencies!)



FACTORY : AN EXAMPLE



FACTORY : IN PRACTICE

- What do we gain by having the factory be responsible for creating instances of objects for us?
- Is it still a "factory" if the method only returns instances of one class (say "Rectangle") and not instances of a subclass?
 - In other words, is it still a factory if we replace a ShapeFactory with a RectangleFactory, where the Rectangle class has no subclasses?
 - Is it still useful to replace ShapeFactory with RectangleFactory if all we need are Rectangle objects?



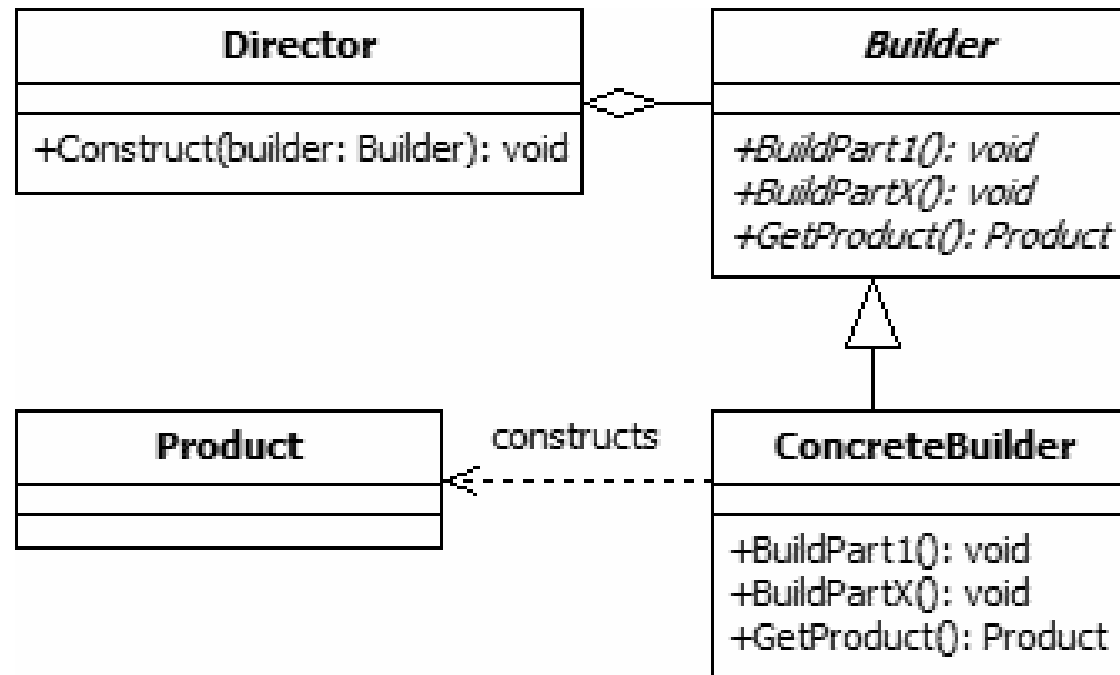
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BUILDER



BUILDER DESIGN PATTERN

- Problem:
 - Need to create a complex structure of objects in a step-by-step fashion.
- Solution:
 - Create a Builder object that creates the complex structure.



WITHOUT APP BUILDER VERSION (ONLY SIGNUP SHOWN)

```
final JFrame application = new JFrame("Login Example");
```

```
final CardLayout cardLayout = new CardLayout();
```

```
final JPanel views = new JPanel(cardLayout);  
application.add(views);
```

```
final ViewManagerModel viewManagerModel = new ViewManagerModel();  
new ViewManager(views, cardLayout, viewManagerModel);
```

```
final SignupViewModel signupViewModel = new SignupViewModel();
```

```
final DBUserDataAccessObject userDataAccessObject = new DBUserDataAccessObject(new CommonUserFactory());
```

```
final SignupView signupView = SignupUseCaseFactory.create(viewManagerModel, loginViewModel,  
    signupViewModel, userDataAccessObject);  
views.add(signupView, signupView.getViewName());
```



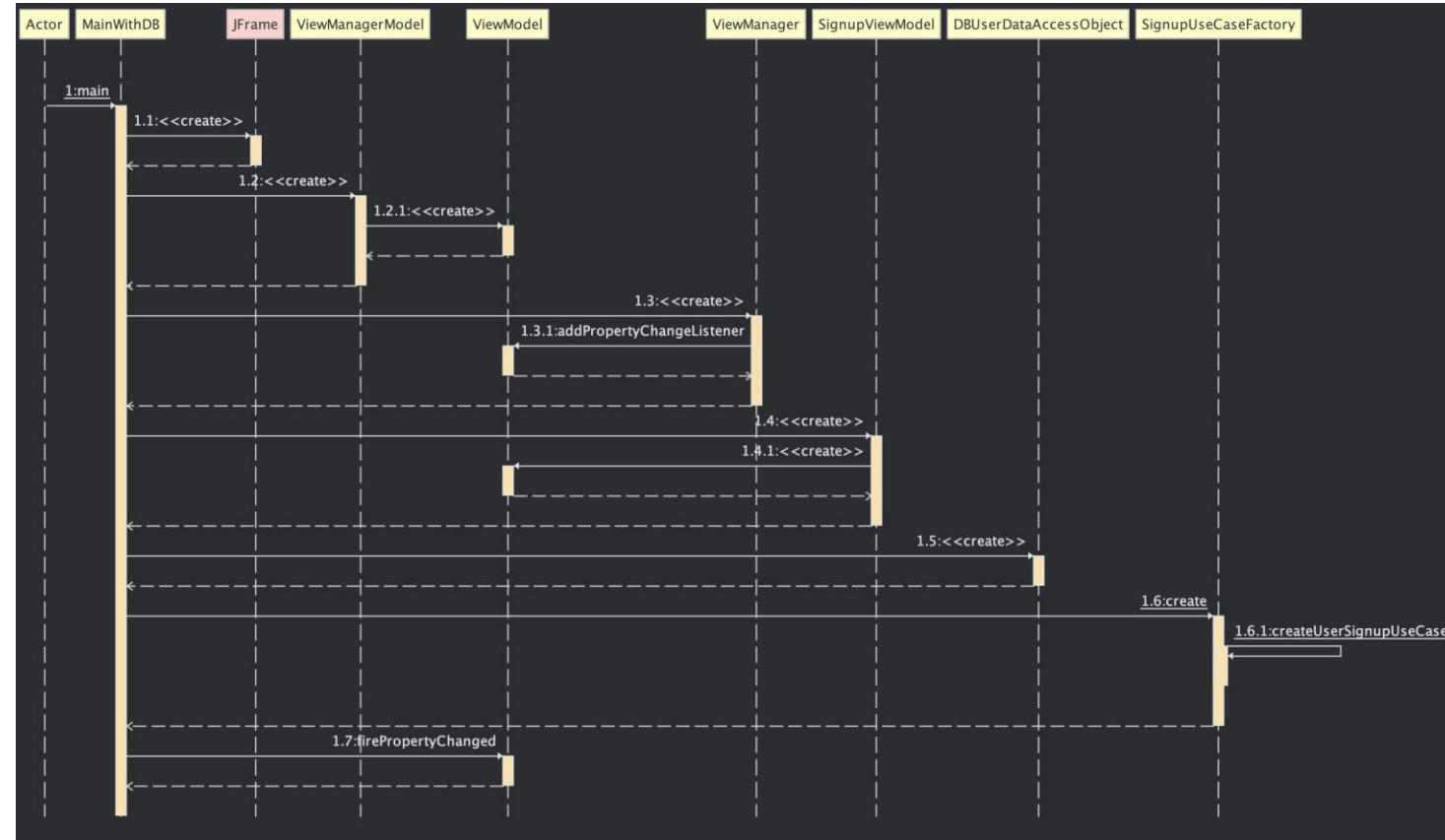
APP BUILDER VERSION

```
final AppBuilder appBuilder = new AppBuilder();  
final JFrame application = appBuilder  
    .addLoginView()  
    .addSignupView()  
    .addLoggedInView()  
    .addSignupUseCase()  
    .addLoginUseCase()  
    .addChangePasswordUseCase()  
    .build();
```



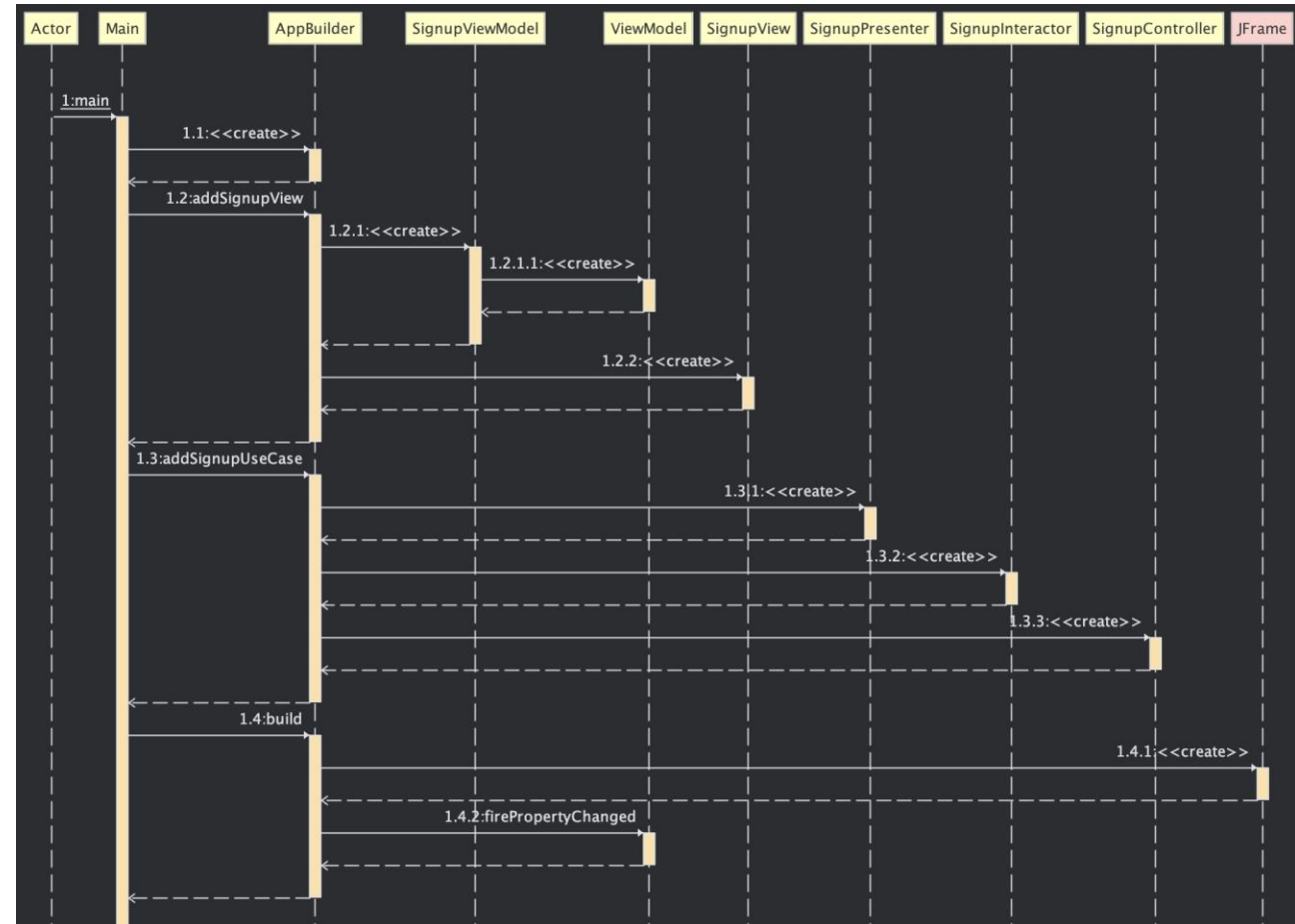
BUILDER DESIGN PATTERN: BEFORE (SEQ DIAGRAM)

- This is the sequence diagram for method `Main.main` from the Phase 1 of the homework.
- This is just **a subset of the diagram** for setting up the Signup part of the CA engine.
- Note the Factory which helps hide some of the details for us!



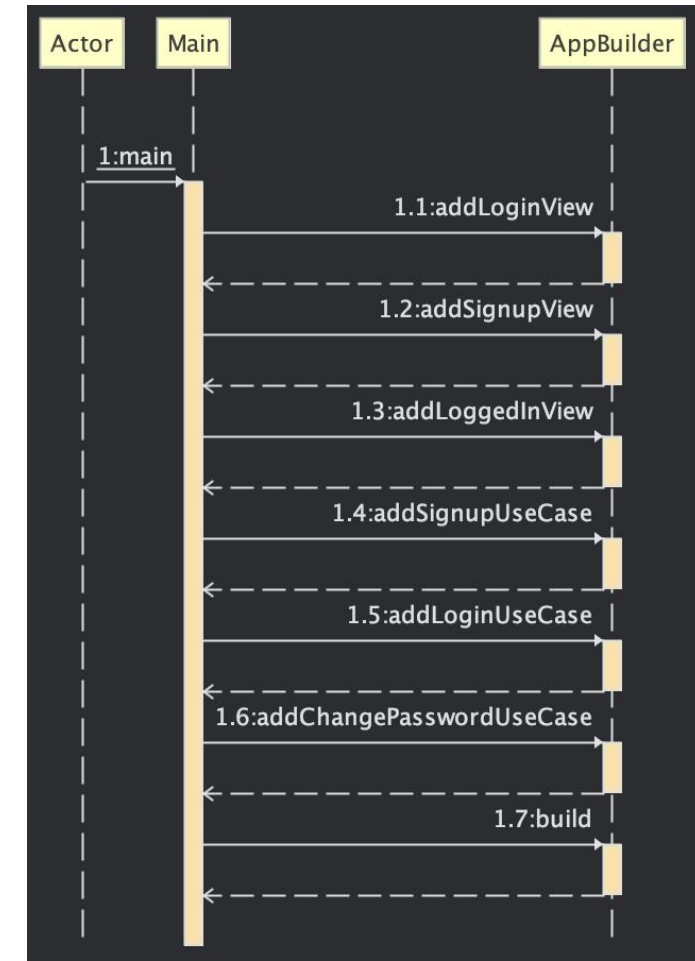
BUILDER DESIGN PATTERN: AFTER (SEQ DIAGRAM)

- This is the sequence diagram for when we create the lab-5 application in Main.main, but only showing the part related to the Signup Use Case.
- This is just **a subset of the diagram** for setting up the Signup part of the CA engine.
- Note that now the final JFrame is created by the Builder for us when we build the app.



BUILDER DESIGN PATTERN: AFTER (SEQ DIAGRAM)

- This is the sequence diagram for when we create the lab-5 application in Main.main like before.
- We have hidden the calls to constructors; you can generate this in IntelliJ to see *all* the calls that take place (there are a lot!).
- The details are hidden in the AppBuilder!



MORE BUILDER EXAMPLES

- A repo that extensively uses builder (see [SpotifyApi.java](https://github.com/spotify-web-api-java/spotify-web-api-java#General-Usage) and many other classes in it)
 - <https://github.com/spotify-web-api-java/spotify-web-api-java#General-Usage>
- IntelliJ refactoring to replace a constructor with a builder
 - <https://www.jetbrains.com/help/idea/replace-constructor-with-builder.html>
- A comparison of Factory and Builder
<https://medium.com/javarevisited/design-patterns-101-factory-vs-builder-vs-fluent-builder-da2babf42113>



BUILDER DESIGN PATTERN: IN PRACTICE

- Where have we seen builders before?
- How complicated does an object have to be, to require a builder?
- Which SOLID principles does the Builder design pattern follow?



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STRATEGY

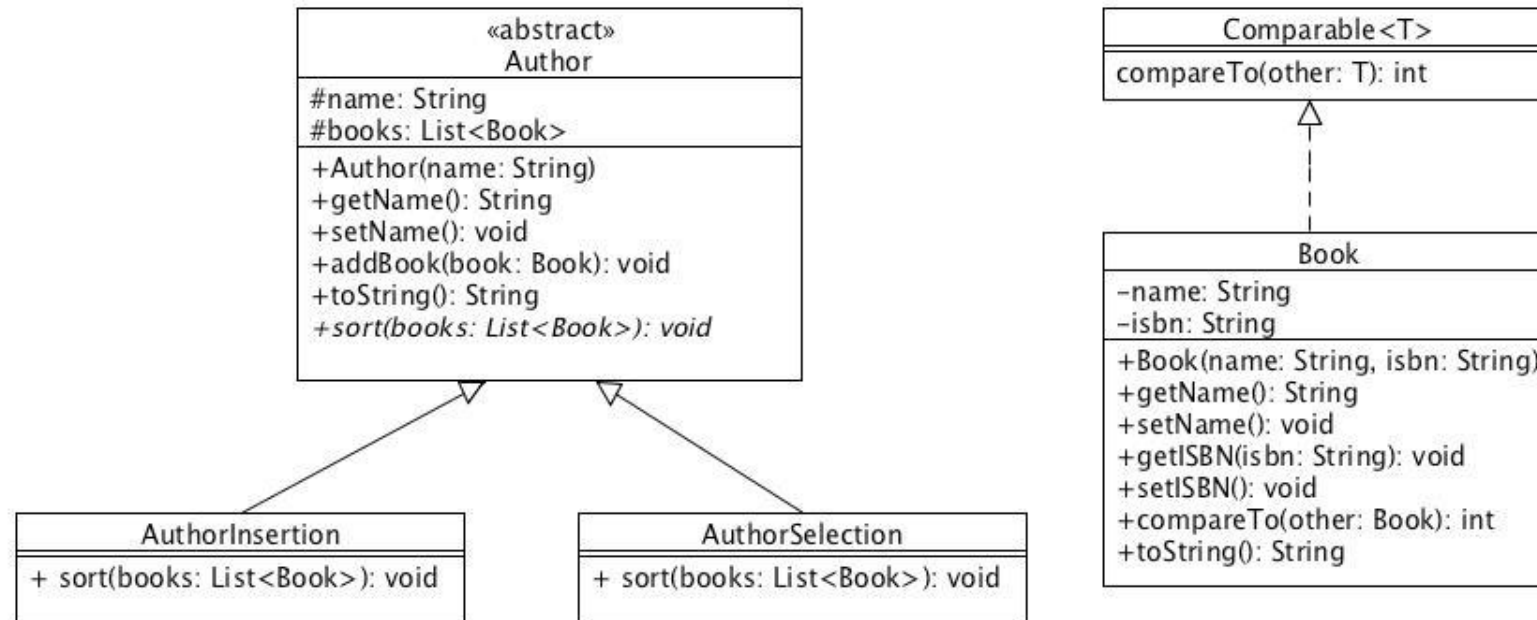


STRATEGY DESIGN PATTERN

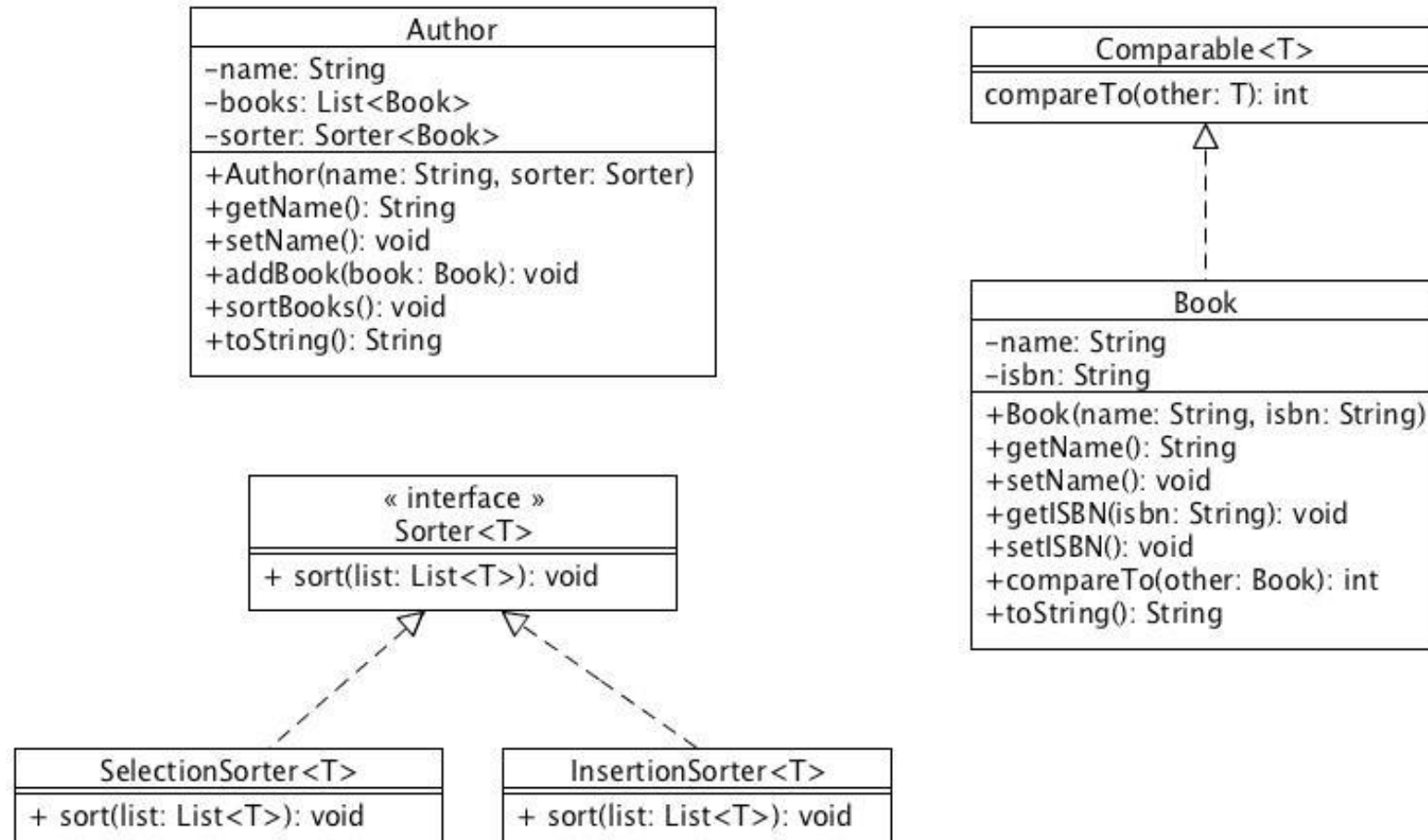
- Problem:
 - multiple classes differ only in how they are implemented
 - the high-level logic is the same except for which algorithm is being used to solve part of the task
 - other classes may also benefit from the code implementing the algorithms, but the code is currently coupled to the class using a specific algorithm.
- Goal:
 - want to **decouple** — separate — the implementation of a class from the implementation of the algorithms which it may use.



EXAMPLE: WITHOUT THE STRATEGY PATTERN

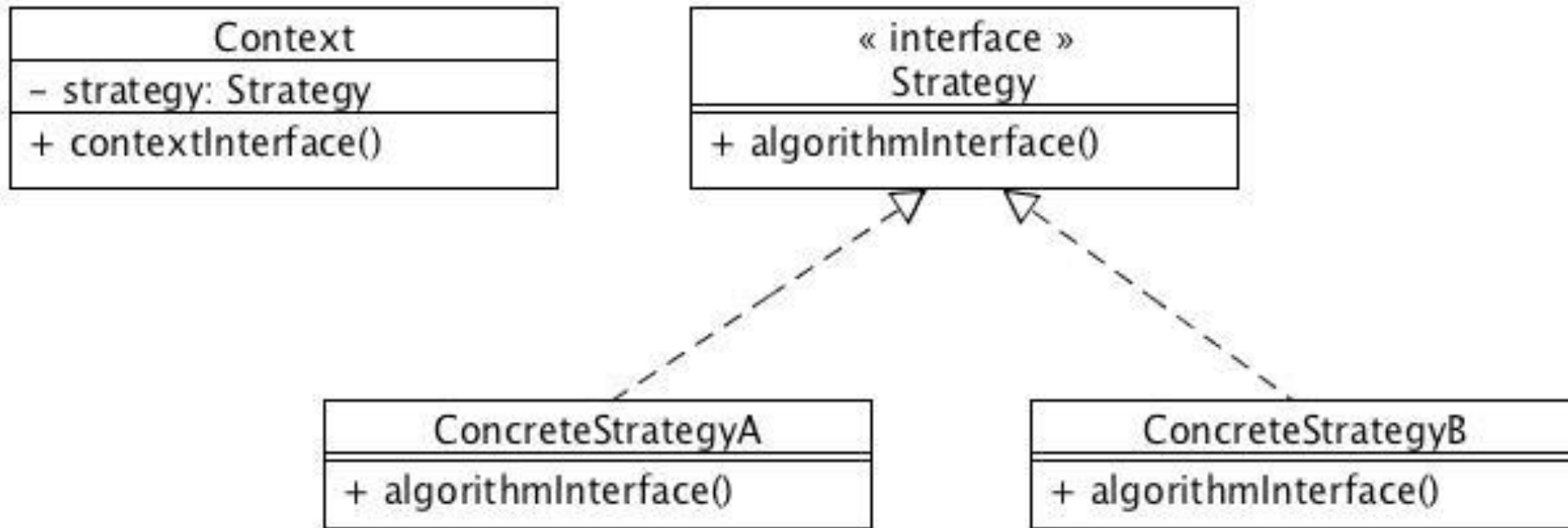


EXAMPLE: WITH THE STRATEGY PATTERN





STRATEGY: STANDARD SOLUTION



STRATEGY PATTERN: IN PRACTICE

- What counts as a strategy? Does it have to be an algorithm?
- Which of the SOLID principles are followed by this pattern?



BEHAVIOURAL PATTERNS

OBSERVER

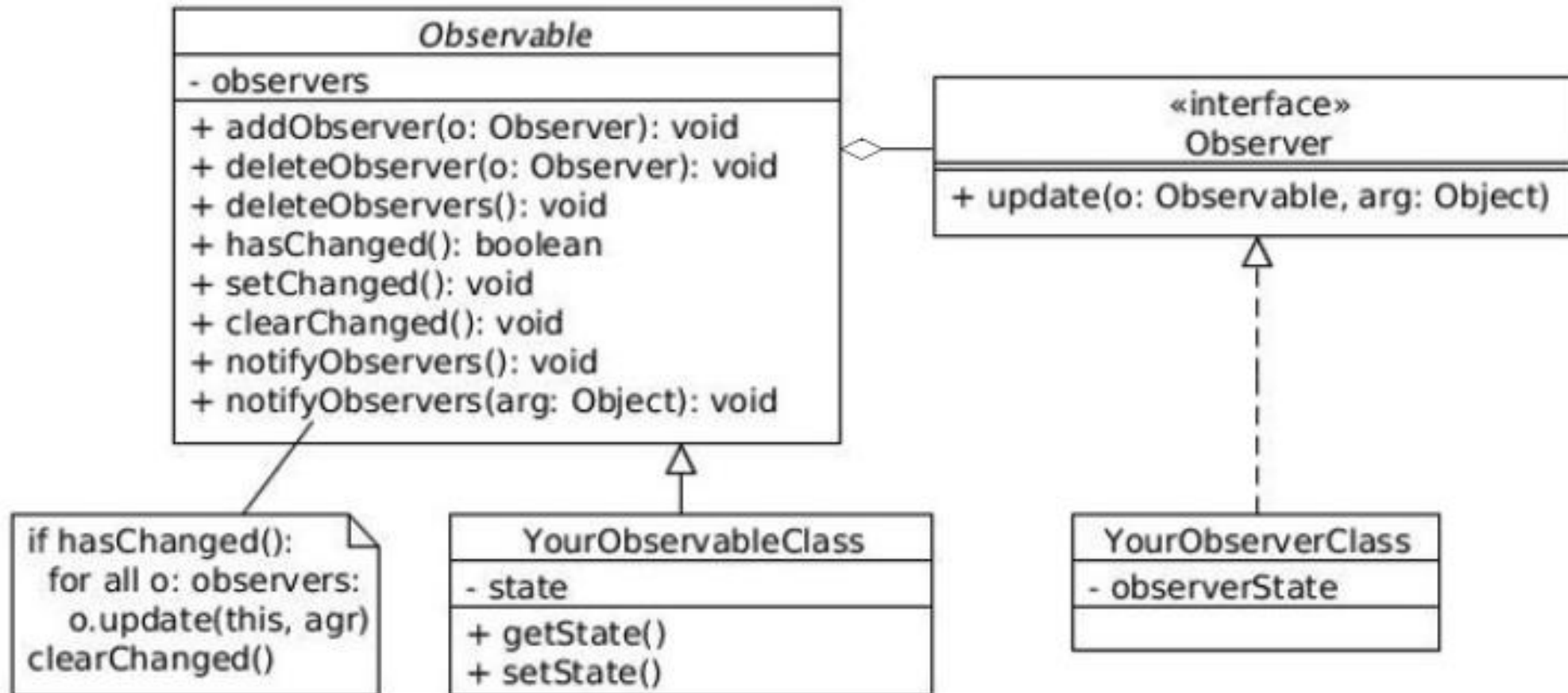


OBSERVER DESIGN PATTERN

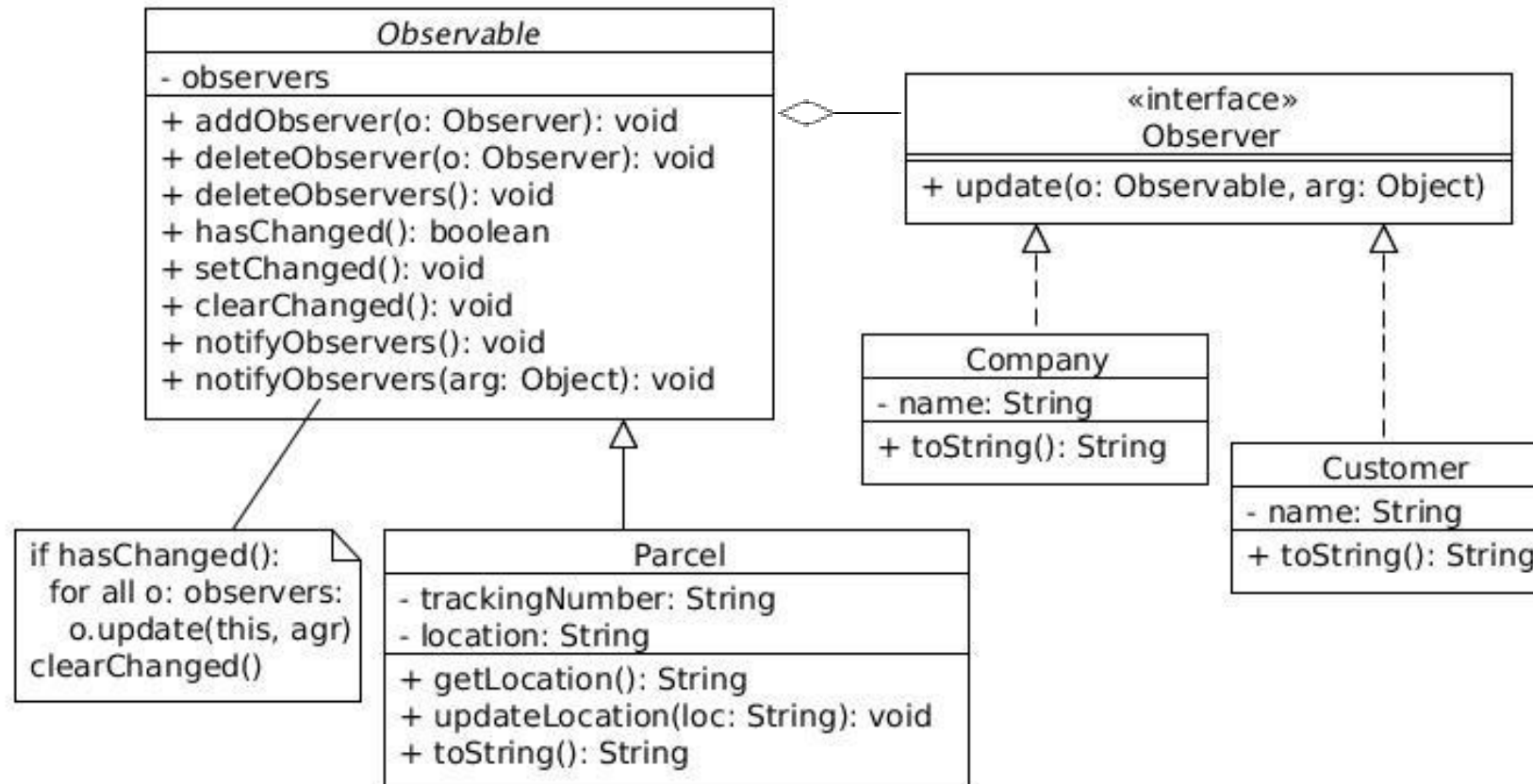
- Problem:
 - Need to maintain consistency between related objects.
 - Two aspects, one dependent on the other (**cause and effect**)
 - An object should be able to notify other objects about changes to itself without making assumptions about who these objects are.
 - You want one object to "listen" for changes in another

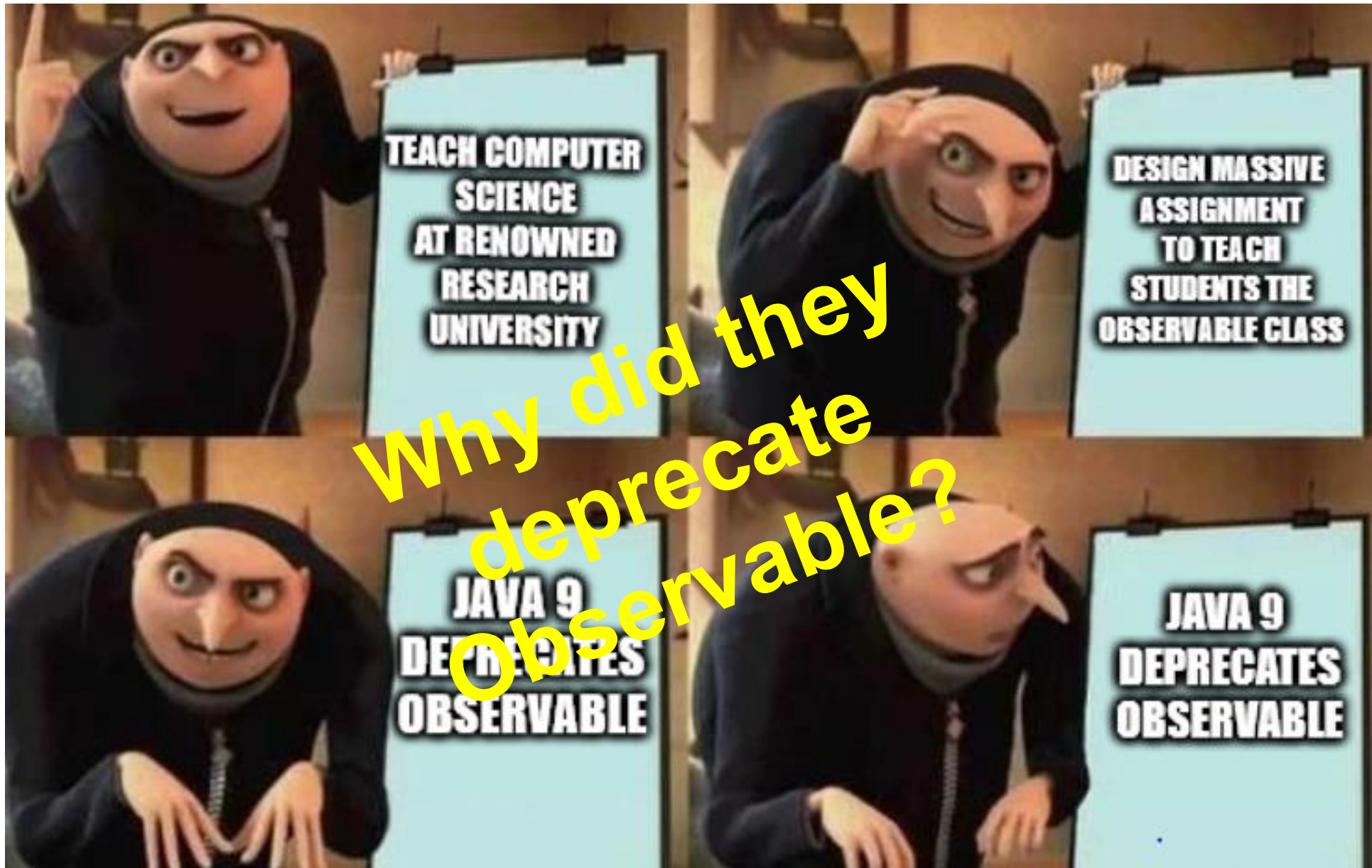


OBSERVER: OLD JAVA IMPLEMENTATION



OBSERVER: PARCEL EXAMPLE IN JAVA





BUT WHAT HAVE THEY DONE?!?

Class Observable

```
java.lang.Object  
    java.util.Observable
```

Deprecated.

This class and the `Observer` interface have been deprecated. The event model supported by `Observer` and `Observable` is quite limited, the order of notifications delivered by `Observable` is unspecified, and state changes are not in one-for-one correspondence with notifications. For a richer event model, consider using the `java.beans` package. For reliable and ordered messaging among threads, consider using one of the concurrent data structures in the `java.util.concurrent` package. For reactive streams style programming, see the `Flow API`.



OBSERVER: IMPLEMENTATION USING DELEGATION

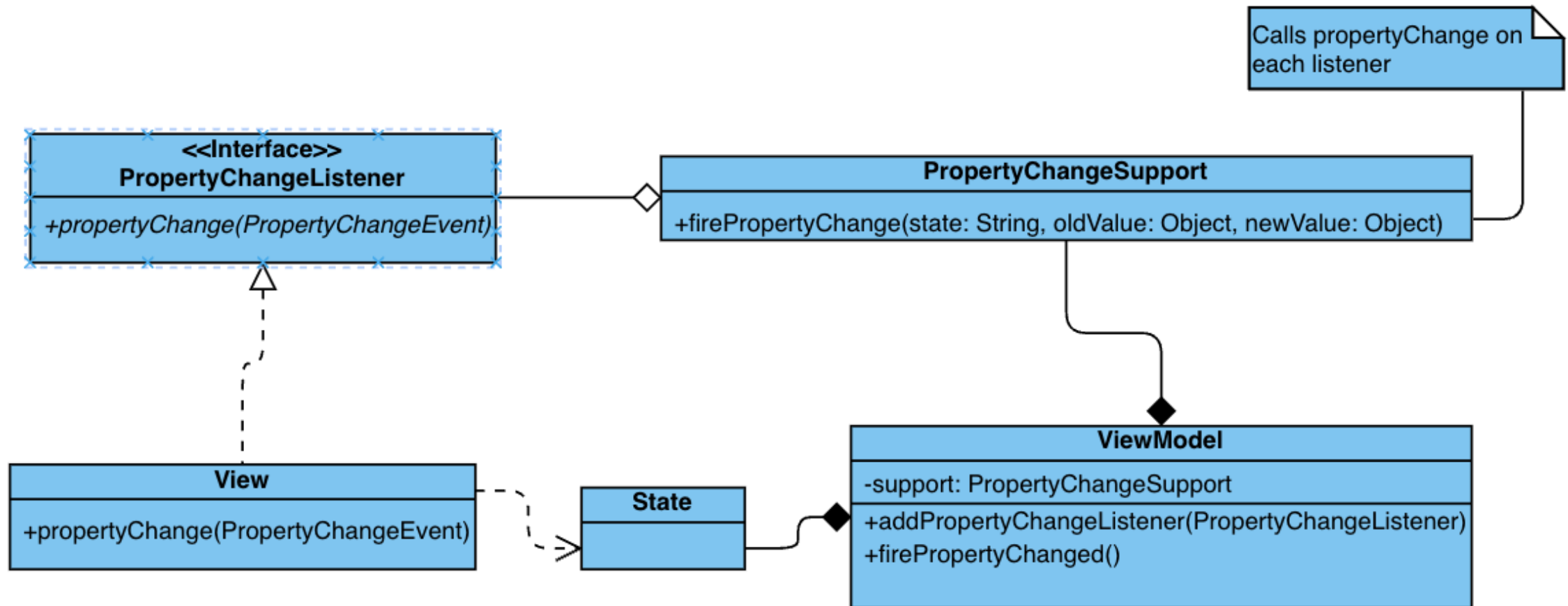


diagram created using <https://online.visual-paradigm.com/>



OBSERVER: IN PRACTICE

- Where have we already seen observers?
- Which part(s) of clean architecture can benefit from the observer pattern?
- This is a good pattern to implement across a boundary. Why is that?



STRUCTURAL PATTERNS

ADAPTER

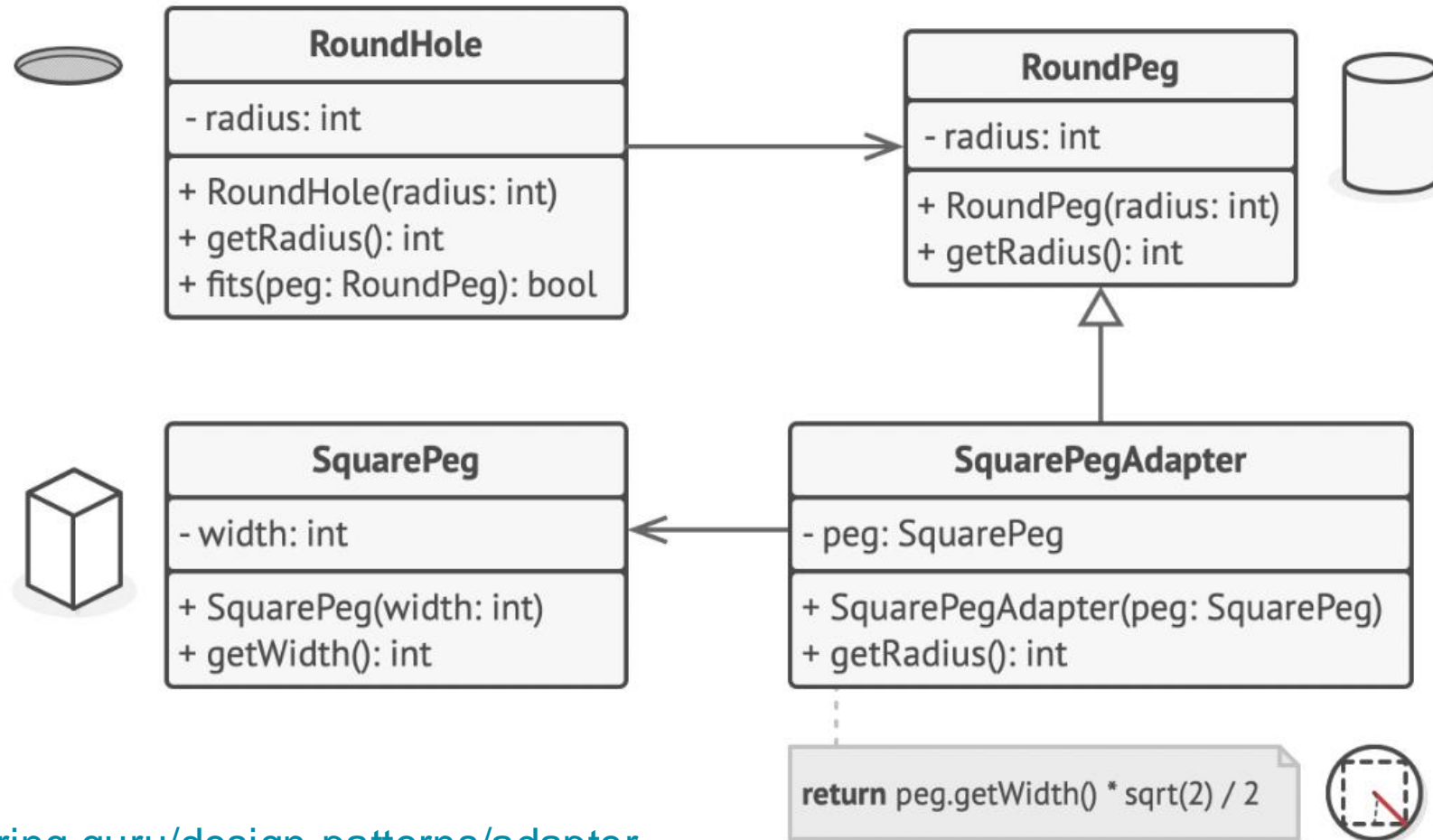


ADAPTER DESIGN PATTERN

- Problem:
 - Want to reuse a class that already exists, but it does not have the methods (public interface) required by the rest of the program.
- Solution 1 (use inheritance):
 - Create a subclass that extends the old class and includes the missing methods.
- Solution 2 (use a wrapper + delegation):
 - Create a container class that has an instance of the old class as a variable. The rest of the program can call the container's methods, which then call the old class's methods.



ADAPTER DESIGN PATTERN: EXAMPLE



<https://refactoring.guru/design-patterns/adapter>



ADAPTER DESIGN PATTERN: IN PRACTICE

- Which SOLID principles are followed by this pattern?
- Where have we seen adapters before?
- When might you NOT want to use this pattern?



STRUCTURAL PATTERNS

FAÇADE



FAÇADE DESIGN PATTERN

- Problem:
 - A single class is responsible to multiple “actors”.
 - We want to encapsulate the code that interacts with individual actors.
 - We want a simplified interface to a more complex subsystem.
- Solution:
 - Create individual classes that each interact with only one actor.
 - Create a Façade class that has (roughly) the same responsibilities as the original class.
 - Delegate each responsibility to the individual classes.
 - This means a Façade object contains references to each individual class.



FAÇADE DESIGN PATTERN: BEFORE

- In some restaurant software, we have a class called Bill. It is responsible for:
 1. Calculating the total based on a frequently-changing set of discount rates. (“10% off before 11am”)
 - Interacts with a discount system that contains a list of rates.
 2. Logging the amount paid and updating the accounting subsystem.
 - Interacts with the accounting system.
 3. Printing a nicely-formatted bill to give to the customer.
 - Interacts with the print device.



FAÇADE DESIGN PATTERN: AFTER

- Factor out an Order object that contains the menu items that were ordered.
- Create classes called BillCalculator, BillLogger, and BillPrinter that all use Order.
- Create BillFacade, which **delegates** the operations to BillCalculator, BillLogger, and BillPrinter.
- For example, BillFacade might contain this instance variable and method:

```
BillCalculator calculator = new BillCalculator(order);

public calculateTotal() {
    calculator.calculateTotal();
}
```



FAÇADE DESIGN PATTERN: IN PRACTICE

- When did we see an example of a Façade? Which SOLID principle was it demonstrating?
- How do Façade classes create a boundary within your program?
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Facade_pattern has a nice discussion of Adapter, Façade, and Decorator — the last one not being a pattern covered in this course)

