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Clean Coding Practices for Java Developers

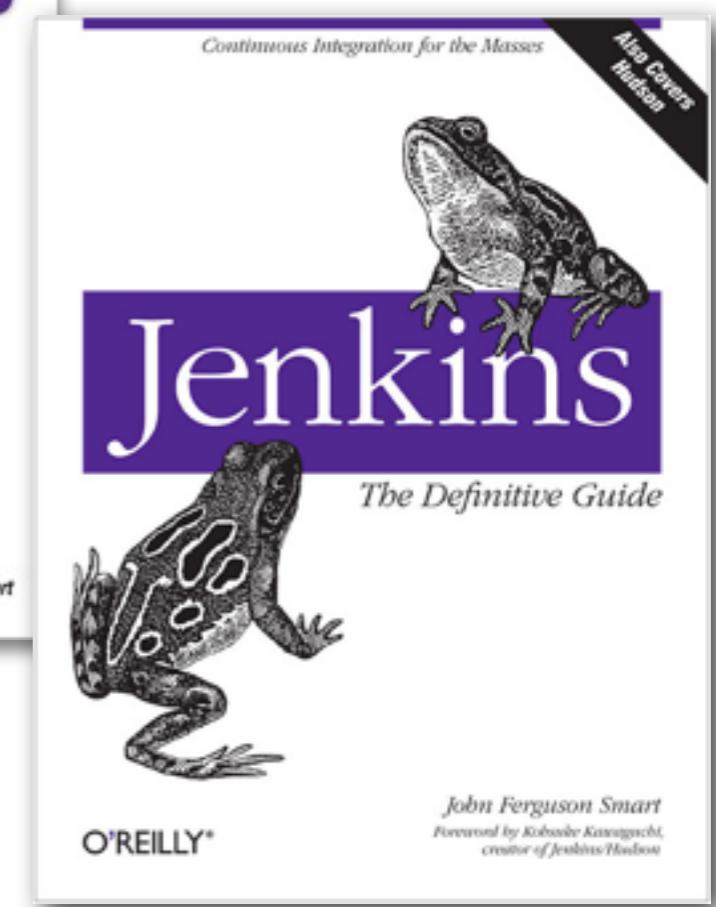
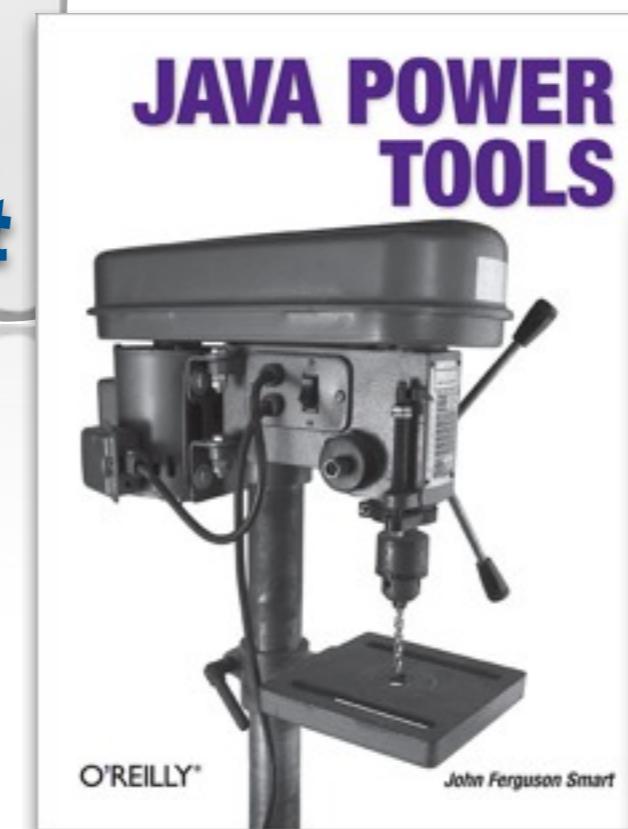
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So who is this guy, anyway?



Who are you writing code for, anyway?



Who are you writing code for, anyway?



The computer?



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Your next boss?

A medical professional, likely a doctor or nurse, is shown from the chest up. They are wearing a white lab coat over a blue collared shirt. Their hands are positioned under a chrome faucet, which is running water. The background consists of light-colored tiled walls.

Why is clean code so important?



Easier to Understand



Easier to Change



Cheaper to Maintain

Choose your names well

~~"What's in a name? That which we call a rose
By any other name would smell as sweet."~~
Romeo and Juliet (II, ii, 1-2)

Really?



Use a common vocabulary

```
getCustomerInfo()  
getClientDetails()  
getCustomerRecord()
```

...

Which one do I use? Are they the same?

getCustomer()

Choose one and stick to it



Use meaningful names

```
int days;
```

What does this represent?

```
int daysSinceCreation;
```

```
int daysSinceLastModification;
```

```
int durationInDays;
```

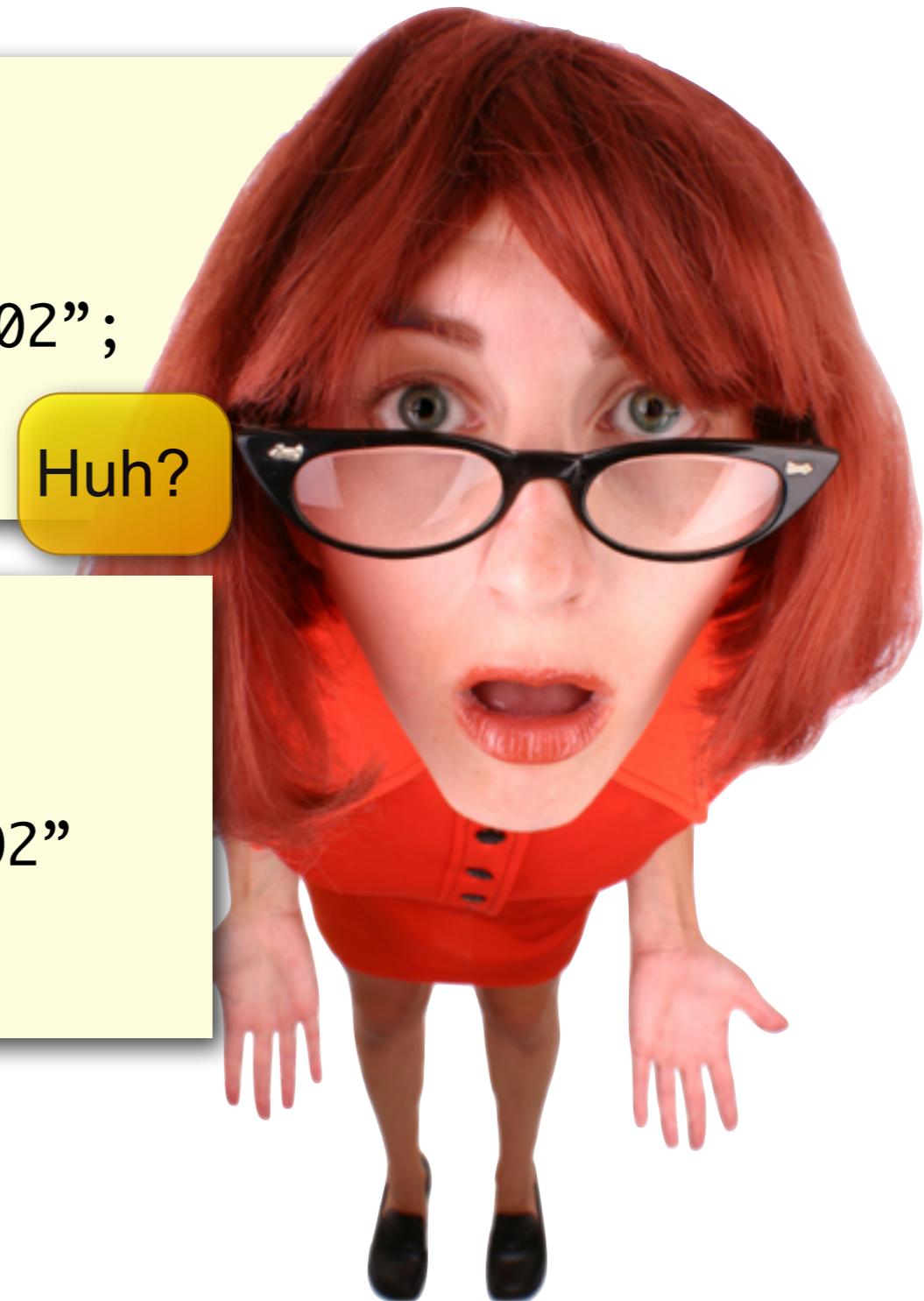
These are all more meaningful choices



Don't talk in code

```
class DtaRcrd102 {  
    private Date genymdhms;  
    private Date modymdhms;  
    private final String pszqint = "102";  
    ...  
}
```

```
class Customer {  
    private Date generationTimestamp;  
    private Date modificationTimestamp;  
    private final String recordId = "102"  
    ...  
}
```



But don't state the obvious

```
List<Client> clientList;
```

Is 'List' significant or just noise?

```
List<Client> clients;
```

```
List<Client> regularClients;
```

```
List<Client> newClients;
```

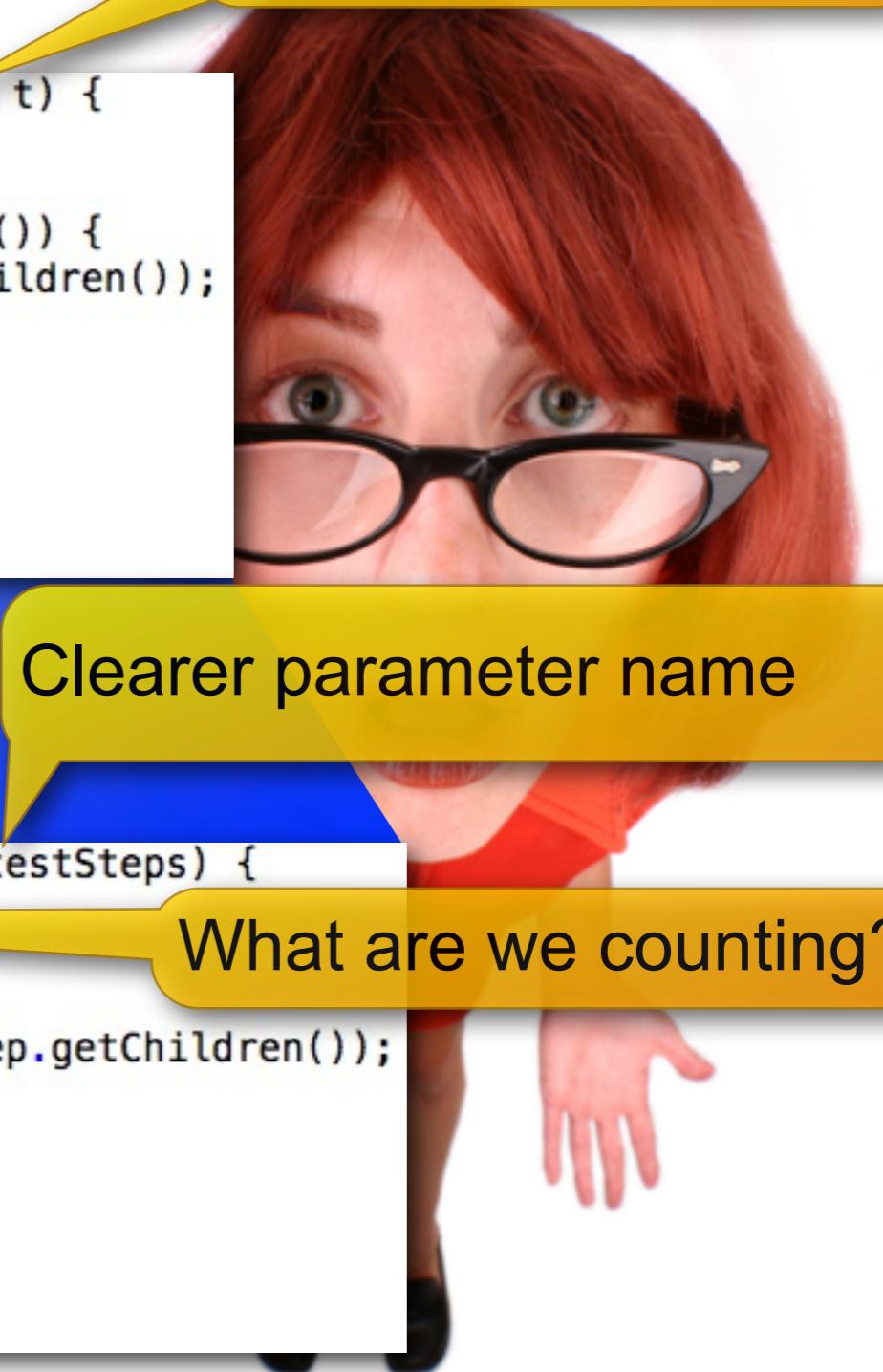


In short: Don't make me think!

What does this do?

```
private int calculate(List<TestStep> t) {  
    int res = 0;  
    for(TestStep s : t) {  
        if (!s.getChildren().isEmpty()) {  
            res += calculate(s.getChildren());  
        } else {  
            res++;  
        }  
    }  
    return res;  
}
```

More explicit method name



Clearer parameter name

```
private int countLeafStepsIn(List<TestStep> testSteps) {  
    int leafCount = 0;  
    for (TestStep step : testSteps) {  
        if (step.isAGroup()) {  
            leafCount += countLeafStepsIn(step.getChildren());  
        } else {  
            leafCount++;  
        }  
    }  
    return leafCount;  
}
```

What are we counting?

Method call rather than
boolean expression

Make your code tell a story



Methods should be small

```
public void generateAggregateReportFor(final List<StoryTestResults> storyResults,
                                         final List<FeatureResults> featureResults) throws IOException {
    LOGGER.info("Generating summary report for user stories to " + getOutputDirectory());
    copyResourcesToOutputDirectory();

    Map<String, Object> storyContext = new HashMap<String, Object>();
    storyContext.put("stories", storyResults);
    storyContext.put("storyContext", "All stories");
    addFormattersToContext(storyContext);
    writeReportToOutputDirectory("stories.html",
                                 mergeTemplate(STORIES_TEMPLATE_PATH).usingContext(storyContext));

    Map<String, Object> featureContext = new HashMap<String, Object>();
    addFormattersToContext(featureContext);
    featureContext.put("features", featureResults);
    writeReportToOutputDirectory("features.html",
                                 mergeTemplate(FEATURES_TEMPLATE_PATH).usingContext(featureContext));

    for(FeatureResults feature : featureResults) {
        generateStoryReportForFeature(feature);
    }

    generateReportHomePage(storyResults, featureResults);
    getTestHistory().updateData(featureResults);
    generateHistoryReport();
}
```

Code hard to understand



Methods should be small

```
public void generateAggregateReportFor(final List<StoryTestResults> storyResults,
                                       final List<FeatureResults> featureResults) throws IOException {
    LOGGER.info("Generating summary report for user stories to " + getOutputDirectory());
    copyResourcesToOutputDirectory();

    private void generateStoriesReport(final List<StoryTestResults> storyResults) throws IOException {
        Map<String, Object> context = new HashMap<String, Object>();
        context.put("stories", storyResults);
        context.put("storyContext", "All stories");
        addFormattersToContext(context);
        String htmlContents = mergeTemplate(STORIES_TEMPLATE_PATH).usingContext(context);
        writeReportToOutputDirectory("stories.html", htmlContents);
    }

    featureContext.put("features", featureResults);
    writeReportToOutputDirectory("features.html",
                                mergeTemplate(FEATURES_TEMPLATE_PATH).usingContext(featureContext));

    for(FeatureResults feature : featureResults) {
        generateStoryReportForFeature(feature);
    }

    generateReportHomePage(storyResults, featureResults);
    getTestHistory().updateData(featureResults);
    generateHistoryReport();
}
```

Refactor into clear steps

Methods should be small

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public void generateAggregateReportFor(final List<StoryTestResults> storyResults,
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    LOGGER.info("Generating summary report for user stories to " + getOutputDirectory());

    copyResourcesToOutputDirectory();

    generateStoriesReportFor(storyResults);

    Map<String, Object> featureContext = new HashMap<String, Object>();
    addFormattersToContext(featureContext);
    featureContext.put("features", featureResults);
    writeReportToOutputDirectory("features.html",
                                 mergeTemplate(FEATURES_TEMPLATE_PATH).usingContext(featureContext));

    for(FeatureResults feature : featureResults) {
        generateStoryReportForFeature(feature);
    }

    generateReportHomePage(storyResults, featureResults);

    getTestHistory().updateData(featureResults);

    generate
}
```

```
private void updateHistoryFor(final List<FeatureResults> featureResults) {
    getTestHistory().updateData(featureResults);
}
```

Methods should be small

```
private void generateAggregateReportFor(final List<StoryTestResults> storyResults,  
                                      final List<FeatureResults> featureResults)  
throws IOException {  
  
    copyResourcesToOutputDirectory();  
  
    generateStoriesReportFor(storyResults);  
    generateFeatureReportFor(featureResults);  
    generateReportHomePage(storyResults, featureResults);  
  
    updateHistoryFor(featureResults);  
    generateHistoryReport();  
}
```

Methods should only do one thing

Too much going on here...

```
public String getReportName(String reportType, final String qualifier) {  
    if (qualifier == null) {  
        String testName = "";  
        if (getUserStory() != null) {  
            testName = NameConverter.underscore(getUserStory().getName());  
        }  
        String scenarioName = NameConverter.underscore(getMethodName());  
        testName = withNoIssueNumbers(withNoArguments(appendToIfNotNull(testName, scenarioName)));  
        return testName + "." + reportType;  
    } else {  
        String userStory = "";  
        if (getUserStory() != null) {  
            userStory = NameConverter.underscore(getUserStory().getName()) + "_";  
        }  
        String normalizedQualifier = qualifier.replaceAll(" ", "_");  
        return userStory + withNoArguments(getMethodName()) + "_" + normalizedQualifier + "." + reportType;  
    }  
}
```

Mixing *what* and *how*

Methods should only do one thing

Chose what to do here

```
public String getReportName(final ReportType type, final String qualifier) {  
    ReportNamer reportNamer = ReportNamer.forReportType(type);  
    if (shouldAddQualifier(qualifier)) {  
        return reportNamer.getQualifiedTestNameFor(this, qualifier);  
    } else {  
        return reportNamer.getNormalizedTestNameFor(this);  
    }  
}
```

The *how* is the responsibility of another class

Encapsulate boolean expressions

```
for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
    if (!currentStep.isAGroup() && currentStep.getScreenshots() != null) {  
        for (RecordedScreenshot screenshot : currentStep.getScreenshots()) {  
            screenshots.add(new Screenshot(screenshot.getScreenshot().getName(),  
                currentStep.getDescription(),  
                widthOf(screenshot.getScreenshot()),  
                currentStep.getException()));  
        }  
    }  
}
```

What does this boolean mean?

```
for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
    if (currentStep.needsScreenshots()) {  
        ...  
        public boolean needsScreenshots() {  
            return (!isAGroup() && getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources() != null);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Expresses the intent better

Avoid unclear/ambiguous class name

```
for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
    if (currentStep.needsScreenshots()) {  
        for (RecordedScreenshot screenshot : currentStep.getScreenshots()) {  
            screenshots.add(new Screenshot(screenshot.getScreenshot().getName(),  
                currentStep.getDescription(),  
                widthOf(screenshot.getScreenshot()),  
                currentStep.getException()));  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Is this class name really accurate?

```
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
    List<TestStep> testSteps = getFlattenedTestSteps();  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
        if (weNeedAScreenshotFor(currentStep)) {  
            for (ScreenshotAndHtmlSource screenshotAndHtml : currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources()) {  
                screenshots.add(new Screenshot(screenshotAndHtml.getScreenshotFile().getName(),  
                    currentStep.getDescription(),  
                    widthOf(screenshotAndHtml.getScreenshot()),  
                    currentStep.getException()));  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}
```

Too many screenshots!

Using a more revealing class name

And a clearer method name

Encapsulate overly-complex code

```
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
    List<TestStep> testSteps = getFlattenedTestSteps();  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
        if (currentStep.needsScreenshots()) {  
            for (ScreenshotAndHtmlSource screenshotAndHtml : currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources()) {  
                screenshots.add(new Screenshot(screenshotAndHtml.getScreenshot().getName(),  
                    currentStep.getDescription(),  
                    widthOf(screenshotAndHtml.getScreenshot()),  
                    currentStep.getException()));  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}  
  
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
    List<TestStep> testSteps = getFlattenedTestSteps();  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
        if (weNeedAScreenshotFor(currentStep)) {  
            screenshots.addAll(  
                convert(currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources(), toScreenshotsFor(currentStep)));  
        }  
    }  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}
```

What does all this do?

Clearer intention

Encapsulate overly-complex code

```
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
    List<TestStep> testSteps = getFlattenedTestSteps();  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
        if (currentStep.needsScreenshots()) {  
            screenshots.addAll(  
                convert(currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources(), toScreenshotsFor(currentStep)));  
        }  
    }  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}
```

What we are doing

```
private Converter<ScreenshotAndHtmlSource, Screenshot> toScreenshotsFor(final TestStep currentStep) {  
    return new Converter<ScreenshotAndHtmlSource, Screenshot>() {  
        @Override  
        public Screenshot convert(ScreenshotAndHtmlSource from) {  
            return new Screenshot(from.getScreenshotFile().getName(),  
                currentStep.getDescription(),  
                widthOf(from.getScreenshotFile()),  
                currentStep.getException());  
        }  
    };  
}
```

How we do it

Avoid deep nesting

```
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
    List<TestStep> testSteps = getFlattenedTestSteps();  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testSteps) {  
        if (currentStep.needsScreenshots()) {  
            screenshots.addAll(  
                convert(currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources(), toScreenshotsFor(currentStep)));  
        }  
    }  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}  
  
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
  
    List<TestStep> testStepsWithScreenshots = select(getFlattenedTestSteps(),  
        having(on(TestStep.class).needsScreenshots()));  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testStepsWithScreenshots) {  
        screenshots.addAll(convert(currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources(),  
            toScreenshotsFor(currentStep)));  
    }  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}
```

Code doing too many things

Break the code down into logical steps

Remove the nested condition

Keep each step simple!

```
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
  
    List<TestStep> testStepsWithScreenshots = select(getFlattenedTestSteps(),  
                                                    having(on(TestStep.class).needsScreenshots()));  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testStepsWithScreenshots) {  
        screenshots.addAll(convert(currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources(),  
                                  toScreenshotsFor(currentStep)));  
    }  
  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}
```

Too much happening here?

```
public List<Screenshot> getScreenshots() {  
    List<Screenshot> screenshots = new ArrayList<Screenshot>();  
  
    List<TestStep> testStepsWithScreenshots = select(getFlattenedTestSteps(),  
                                                    having(on(TestStep.class).needsScreenshots()));  
  
    for (TestStep currentStep : testStepsWithScreenshots) {  
        screenshots.addAll/screenshotsIn(currentStep));  
    }  
  
    return ImmutableList.copyOf(screenshots);  
}  
  
private List<Screenshot> screenshotsIn(TestStep currentStep) {  
    return convert(currentStep.getScreenshotsAndHtmlSources(), toScreenshotsFor(currentStep));  
}
```

This reads more smoothly



Code should communicate fluently

Use Fluent APIs

```
FundsTransferOrder  
originatorParty;  
counterParty;  
debtor;  
creditor;  
settleDate;  
paymentDate;  
settleAmount;  
creditStatus;  
cashStatus;  
requestType;  
...  
asXml()
```

Complex domain object

Lots of variants

Object tree

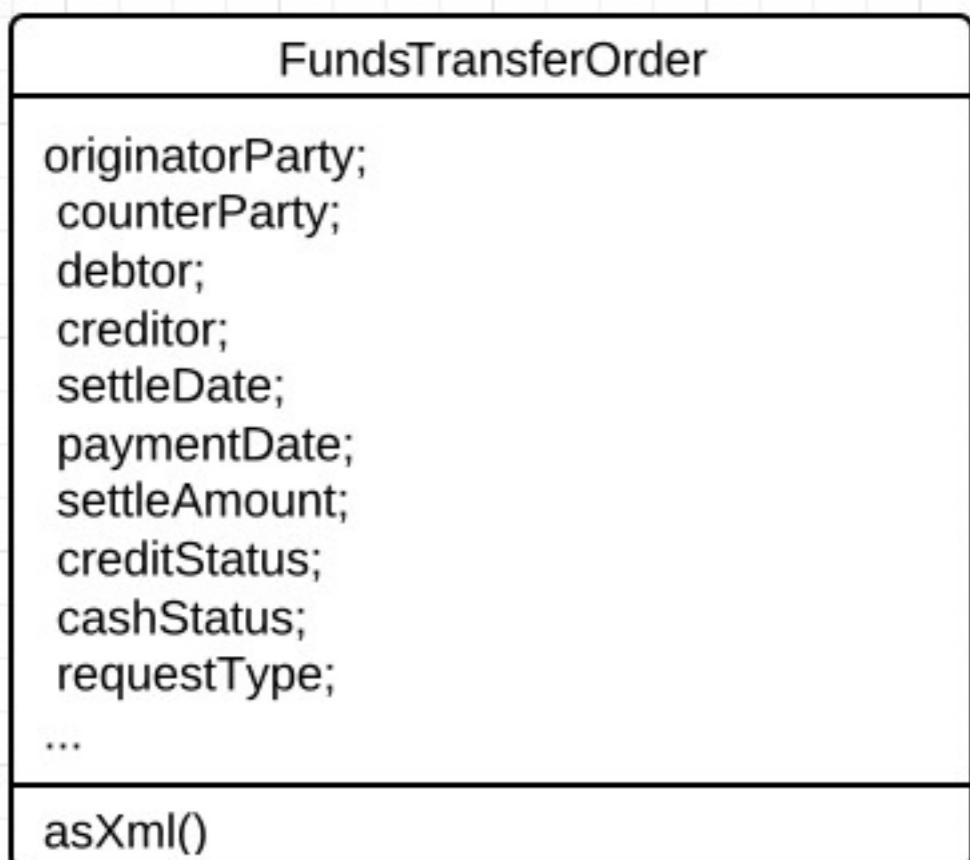
```
FundsTransferOrder order = new FundsTransferOrder();  
order.setType("SWIFT");  
Party originatorParty = organizationServer.findPartyByCode("WPAC");  
order.setOriginatorParty(originatorParty);  
Party counterParty = organizationServer.findPartyByCode("CBAA");  
order.setCounterParty(counterParty);  
order.setDate(DateTime.parse("22/11/2011"));  
Currency currency = currencyTable.findCurrency("USD");  
Amount amount = new Amount(500, currency);  
order.setAmount(amount);
```

Complex code

Need to know how to create the child objects



Use Fluent APIs



More readable

No object creation

Easier to maintain

`FundsTransferOrder.createNewSWIFTOrder()`

```
.fromOriginatorParty("WPAC")
.toCounterParty("CBAA")
.forDebtor("WPAC")
.and().forCreditor("CBAA")
.settledOnThe("22/11/2011")
.forAnAmountOf(500, US_DOLLARS)
.asXML();
```



Use Fluent APIs

Readable parameter style

```
TestStatistics testStatistics = testStatisticsProvider.statisticsForTests(With.tag("Boat sales"));  
double recentBoatSalePassRate = testStatistics.getPassRate().overTheLast(5).testRuns();
```

Fluent method call



Use Fluent APIs

```
public Integer getSuccessCount() {  
    return count(successfulSteps()).in(getLeafTestSteps());  
}
```

Fluent style...

```
public Integer getFailureCount() {  
    return count(failingSteps()).in(getLeafTestSteps());  
}
```

```
public Integer getIgnoredCount() {  
    return count(ignoredSteps()).in(getLeafTestSteps());  
}
```

A builder does the dirty work

```
StepCountBuilder count(StepFilter filter) {  
    return new StepCountBuilder(filter);  
}  
abstract class StepFilter {  
    abstract boolean apply(TestStep step);  
}
```

Represents how to select steps

```
StepFilter successfulSteps() {  
    return new StepFilter() {  
        @Override  
        boolean apply(TestStep step) {  
            return step.isSuccessful();  
        }  
    };  
}
```

```
StepFilter failingSteps() {  
    return new StepFilter() {  
        @Override  
        boolean apply(TestStep step) {  
            return step.isFailure();  
        }  
    };  
}
```

Override to select different step types



Your code is organic



Help it grow

Replace Constructors with Creation Methods

TrainReservation

- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, double)
- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Concession)
- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, Discount, double)
- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, Discount, Concession, double)

Too many constructors

Business knowledge
hidden in the constructors

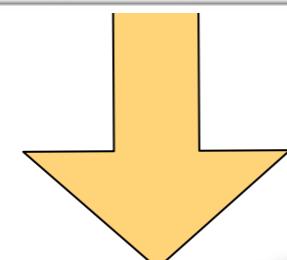
Which one should I use?



Replace Constructors with Creation Methods

TrainReservation

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- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, Discount, double)
- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, Discount, Concession, double)



Private constructor

TrainReservation

- (m) TrainReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, Discount, Concession, double)
- (m) createStandardReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, double)
- (m) createReservationWithConcession(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Concession)
- (m) createDiscountReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Discount)
- (m) createDiscountReservationWithConcession(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Discount, Concession)

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Static creator methods

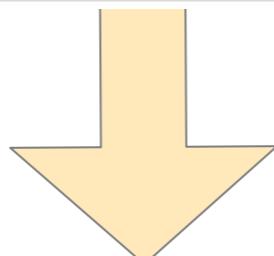
One implementing class



Replace Constructors with Creation Methods

TrainReservation

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TrainReservation

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- (m) createStandardReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, double)
- (m) createReservationWithConcession(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Concession)
- (m) createDiscountReservation(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Discount)
- (m) createDiscountReservationWithConcession(Station, Station, Date, Date, double, Discount, Concession)

TrainReservation

TrainReservation

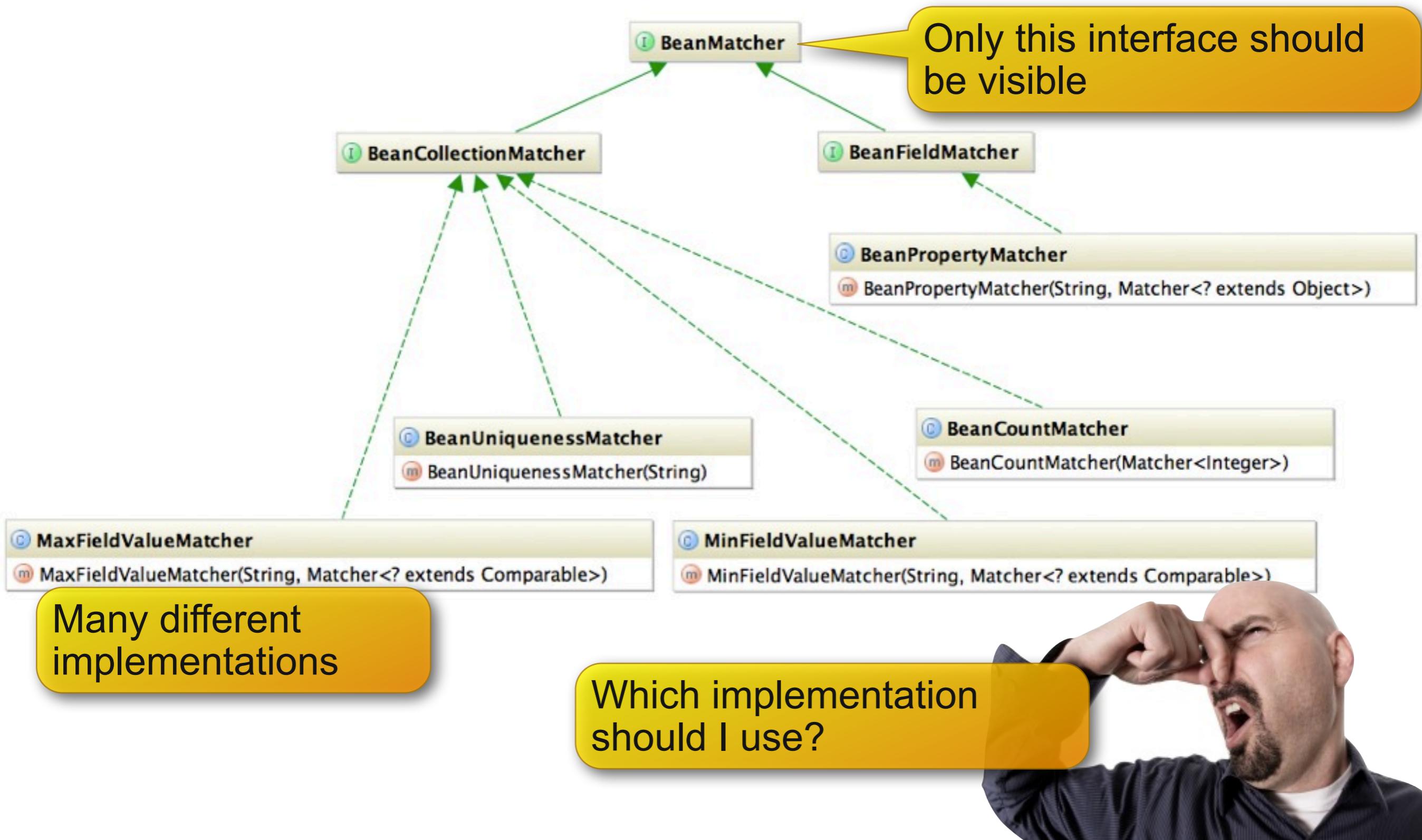
TrainReservation

TrainReservation

- ✓ Communicates the intended use better
- ✓ Overcomes technical limits with constructors
- ✗ Inconsistent object creation patterns

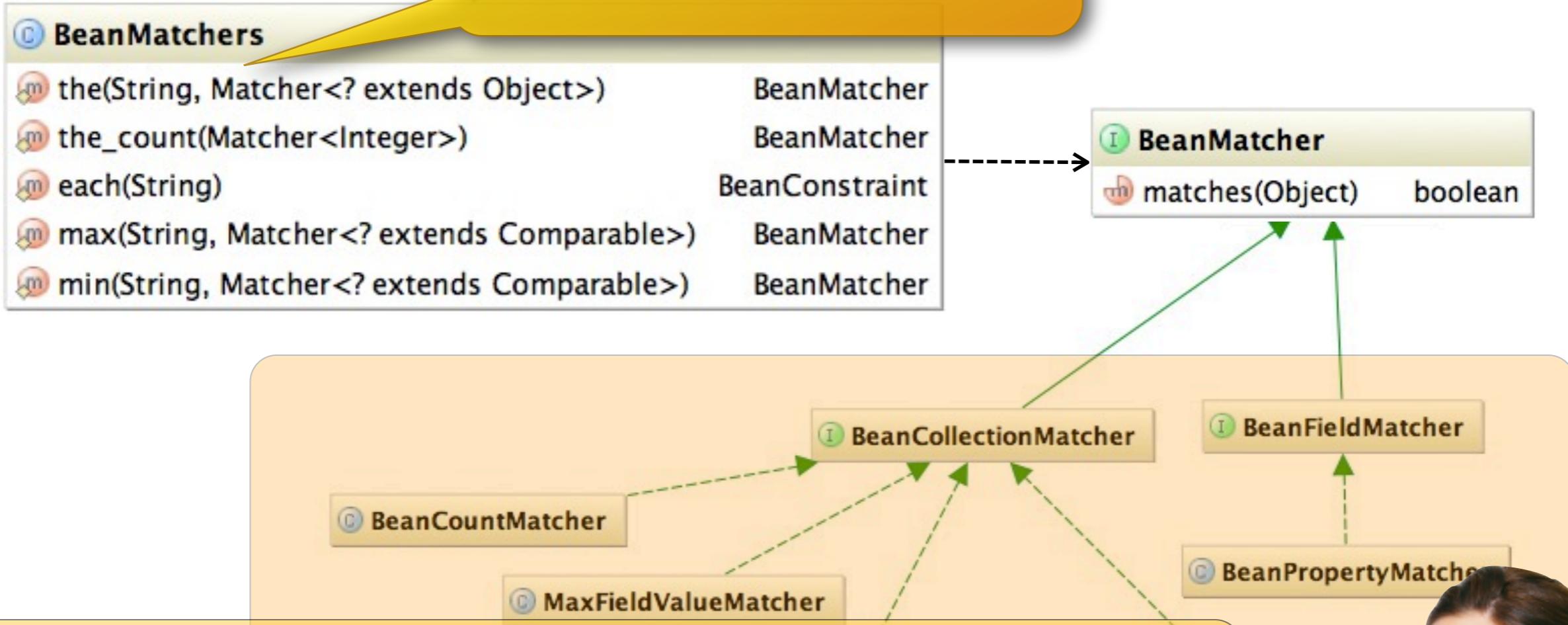


Encapsulate Classes with a Factory



Encapsulate Classes with a Factory

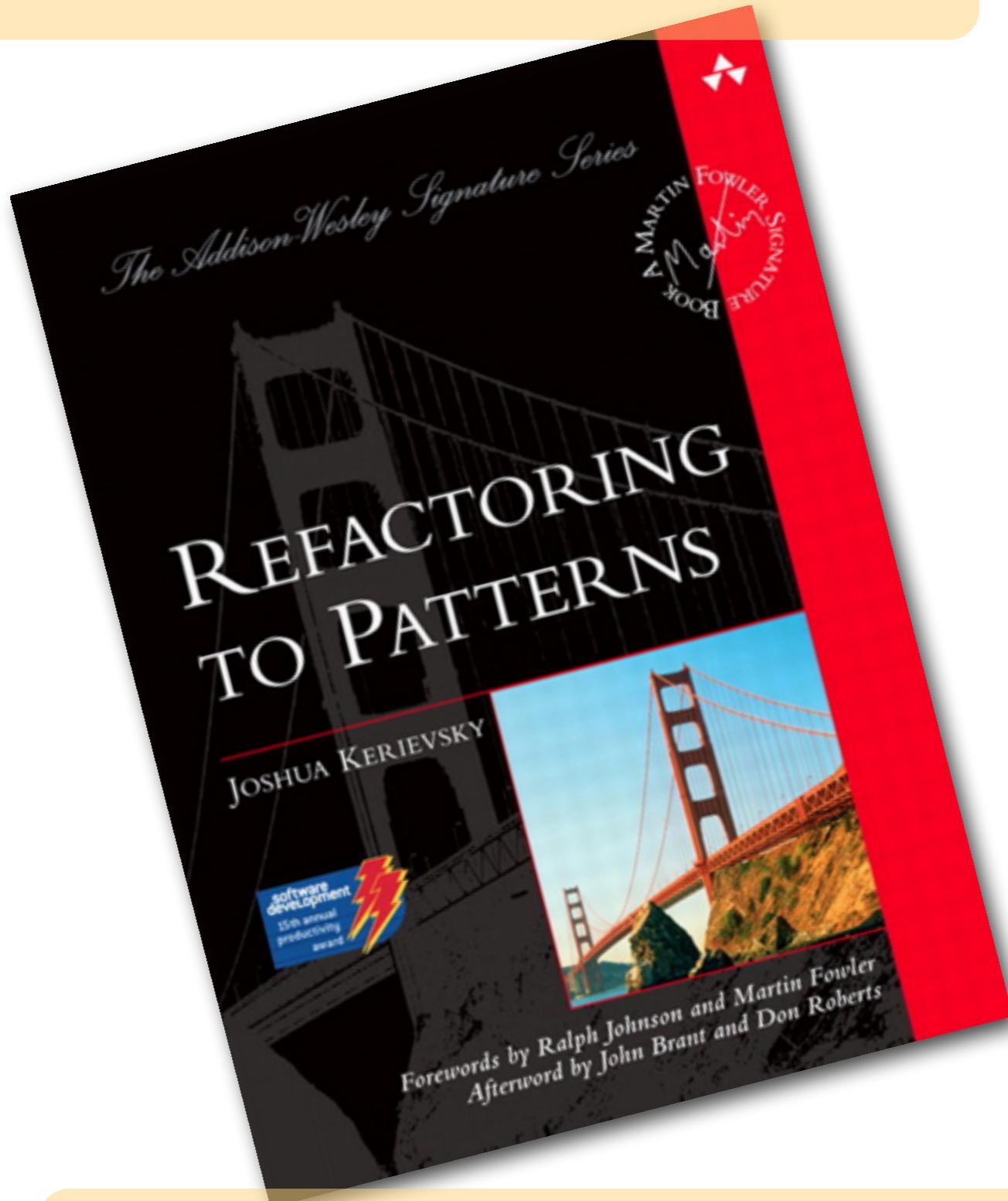
Helpful factory methods



- ✓ Easier to create the right instances
- ✓ Hides classes that don't need to be exposed
- ✓ Encourages “programming to an interface”
- ✗ Need a new method when new classes are added
- ✗ Need access to factory class to customize/extend

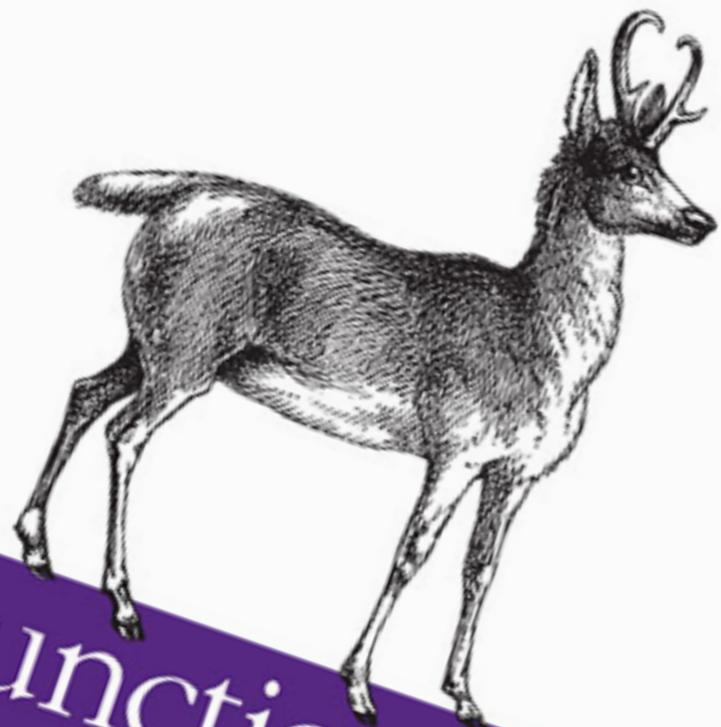


Plenty of other refactoring patterns...



But know *why* you are applying them

Learn about Functional Programming!



Functional Programming

for Java Developers

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Functions as a 1st class concept

$$f(x, y) = x + y$$



Immutable value objects



No side effects

A photograph of two sleek, modern high-speed trains, likely Shinkansen, parked side-by-side at a station platform. The trains are white with yellow and blue stripes. The platform has yellow safety lines. In the background, there are tall buildings and overhead power lines. A small yellow banner with the text "Benefit from concurrency" is overlaid in the bottom left corner.

Benefit from concurrency



No loops



```
(1 to 100).sum
```

5050

```
val s = List( "a", "b", "f", "d", "c")  
s.sorted.map {_.toUpperCase }
```

A, B, C, D, F

```
val result = dataList.par.map(line => processItem(line))
```

Parallel processing

```
def divisors(n: Int): List[Int] =  
  for (i <- List.range(1, n+1) if n % i == 0) yield i
```

```
def isPrime(n: Int) = divisors(n).length == 2
```

```
isPrime(7)
```

TRUE

Functional programming in Java?

Surely this is
madness!





- DSL for manipulating collections in a functional style
- Replace loops with more concise and readable code

Functional constructs in Java



LambdaJ support many high level collection-related functions



filter



aggregate



sort



convert



extract



index



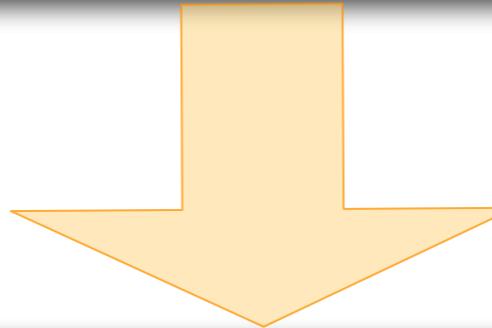
group

Find all adult ages



filter

```
List<Integer> adultAges = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
for(int age : ages) {  
    if (age >= 18) {  
        adults.add(age);  
    }  
}
```



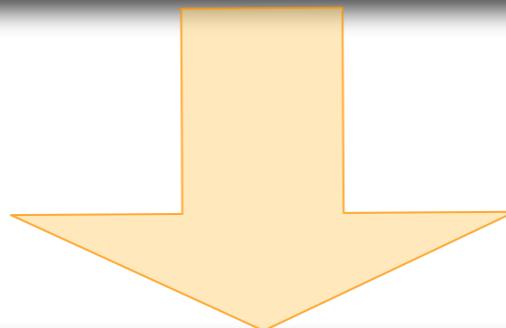
```
List<Integer> adultAges = filter(greaterThanOrEqualTo(18), ages);
```

Find all adults



filter

```
List<Person> adults = new ArrayList<Person>();
for(int person : people) {
    if (person.getAge() >= 18) {
        adults.add(person);
    }
}
```



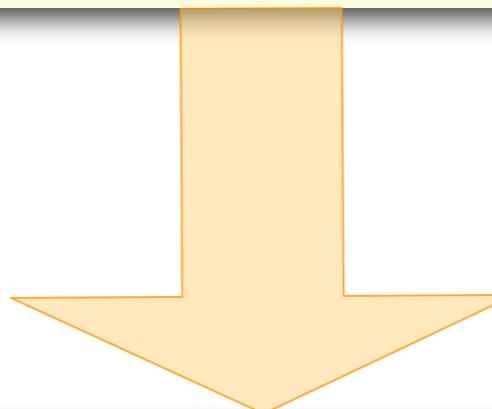
```
List<Person> adults = filter(having(on(Person.class).getAge(), greaterThanOrEqualTo(18)),
                             people);
```

Find all the sales of Ferraris



filter

```
List<Sale> salesOfAFerrari = new ArrayList<Sale>();  
for (Sale sale : sales) {  
    if (sale.getCar().getBrand().equals("Ferrari"))  
        salesOfAFerrari.add(sale);  
}
```



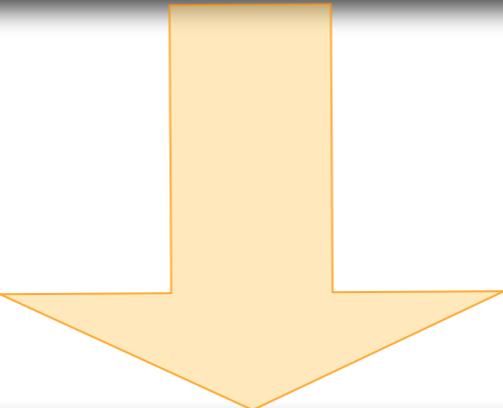
```
List<Sale> salesOfAFerrari = select(sales,  
    having(on(Sale.class).getCar().getBrand(), equalTo("Ferrari")));
```

Sort sales by cost



sort

```
List<Sale> sortedSales = new ArrayList<Sale>(sales);
Collections.sort(sortedSales, new Comparator<Sale>() {
    public int compare(Sale s1, Sale s2) {
        return Double.valueOf(s1.getCost()).compareTo(s2.getCost());
    }
});
```



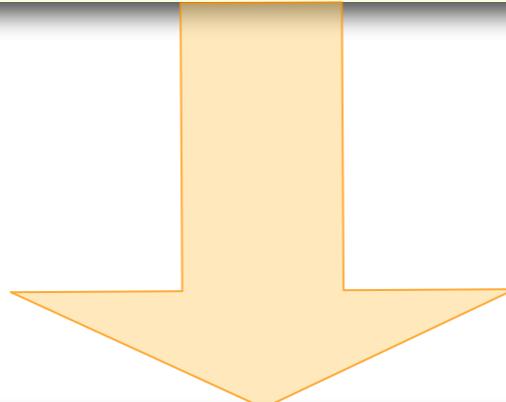
```
List<Sale> sortedSales = sort(sales, on(Sale.class).getCost());
```

Index cars by brand



index

```
Map<String, Car> carsByBrand = new HashMap<String, Car>();  
for (Car car : db.getCars()) {  
    carsByBrand.put(car.getBrand(), car);  
}
```



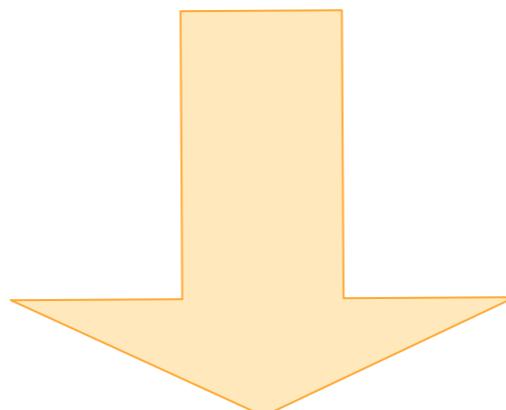
```
Map<String, Car> carsByBrand = index(cars, on(Car.class).getBrand());
```

Find the total sales



aggregate

```
double totalSales = 0.0;  
for (Sale sale : sales) {  
    totalSales = totalSales + sale.getCost();  
}
```



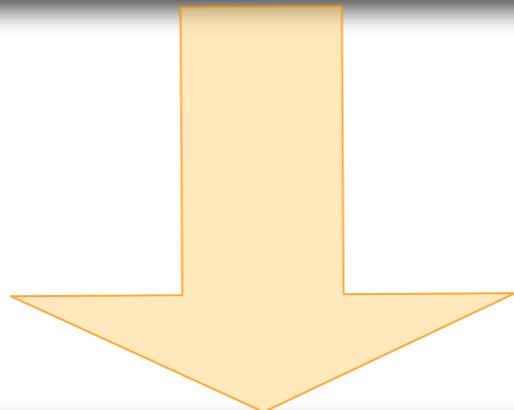
```
double totalSales = sumFrom(sales).getCost();
```

Find most costly sale



aggregate

```
double maxCost = 0.0;  
for (Sale sale : sales) {  
    double cost = sale.getCost();  
    if (cost > maxCost) maxCost = cost;  
}
```



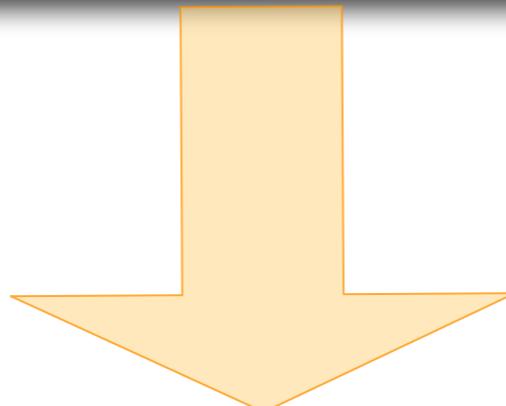
```
double maxCost = maxFrom(sales).getCost();
```

extract

Extract the costs of the cars as a list



```
List<Double> costs = new ArrayList<Double>();  
for (Car car : cars) costs.add(car.getCost());
```



```
List<Double> costs = extract(cars, on(Car.class).getCost());
```

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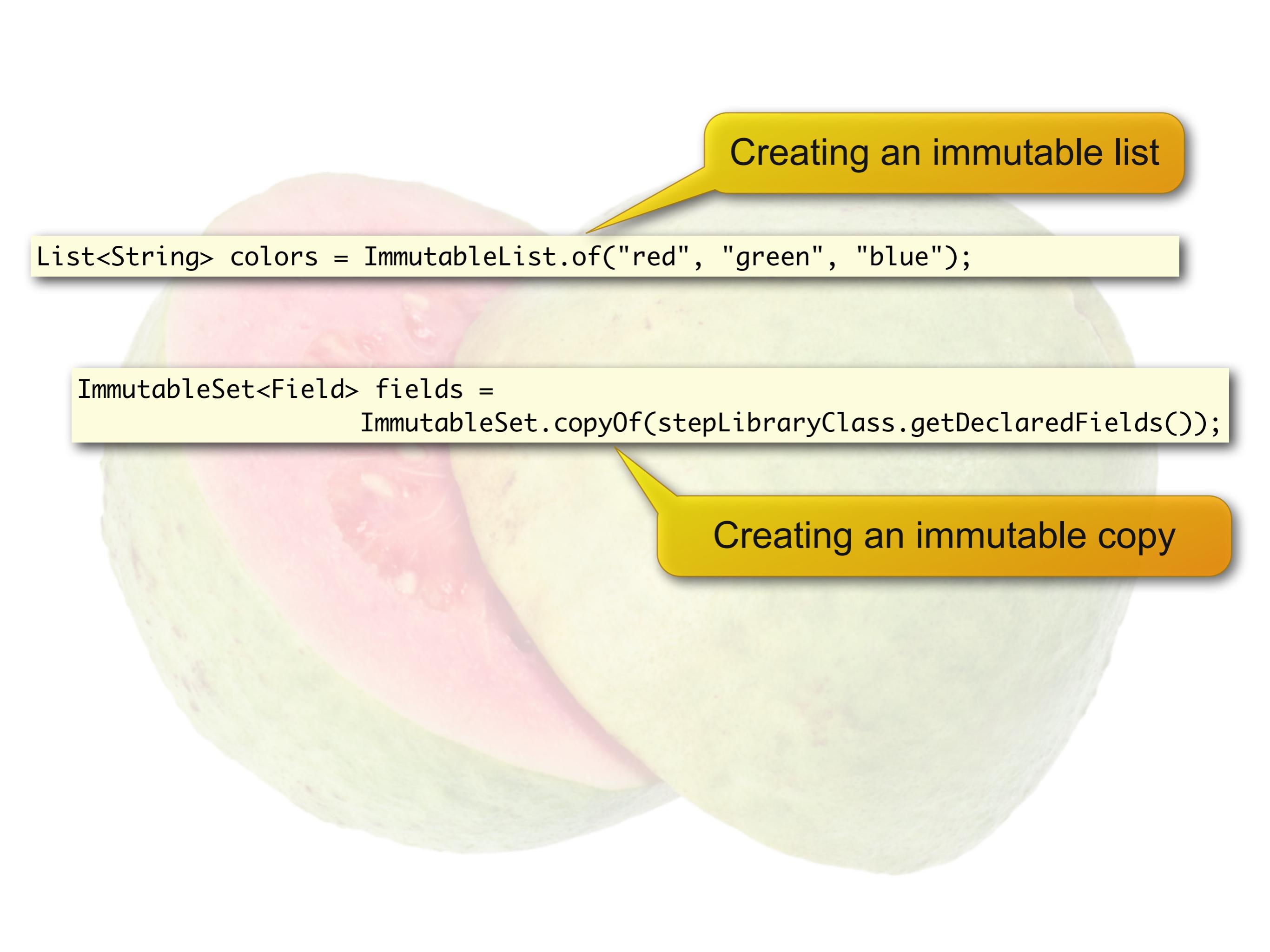
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✓ **Defensive**

✓ **Thread-safe**

✓ **Efficient**





Creating an immutable list

```
List<String> colors = ImmutableList.of("red", "green", "blue");
```

```
ImmutableSet<Field> fields =  
    ImmutableSet.copyOf(stepLibraryClass.getDeclaredFields());
```

Creating an immutable copy

The Boy Scout Rule



“Leave the camp ground cleaner than you found it”

A photograph of a wind farm. Several white wind turbines with three blades each are scattered across a green, rolling hillside. The sky above is a vibrant blue, dotted with wispy white clouds.

Thank You

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