# Façade and Adapter

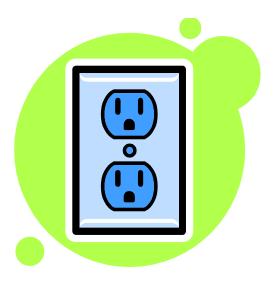


#### **Adapter Pattern**



- Adapters in the real world
  - Power adapter: European -> British -> American
  - Transformers: Scale power up/down
  - PS/2 to USB

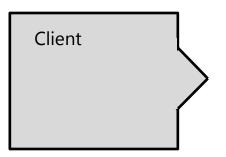


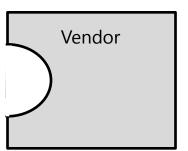


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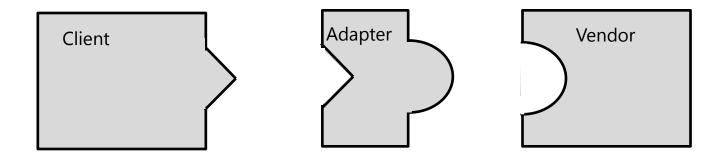




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#### **Vendor**



- Different Vendors define different interfaces
  - Client coded against one interface
  - Has to adapt to the other

```
interface IXmlDocument
{
    IStream Create();
    IStream Load();
    bool Save();
}
```

```
interface IPdfDocument
{
    IStream Create();
    IStream Read();
    bool Write();
}
```

## **Adapter**



- Adapter implements 'expected' interface
  - IXmlDocument in this case
  - Calls adapted interface methods

```
class PdfAdapter : IXmlDocument
{
    IPdfDocument pdf;

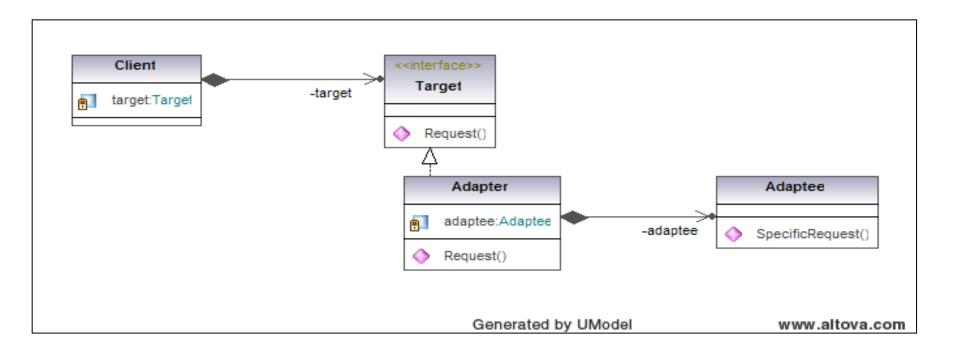
    public PdfAdapter(IPdfDocument pdf)
    {
        this.pdf = pdf;
    }

    IStream Create(){return pdf.Create();}
    IStream Load() {return pdf.Read();}
    bool Save() {return pdf.Write();}
}
```



# **Adapter defined**

The Adapter Pattern converts the interface of a class to the interface a client expects



#### **Facade Pattern**

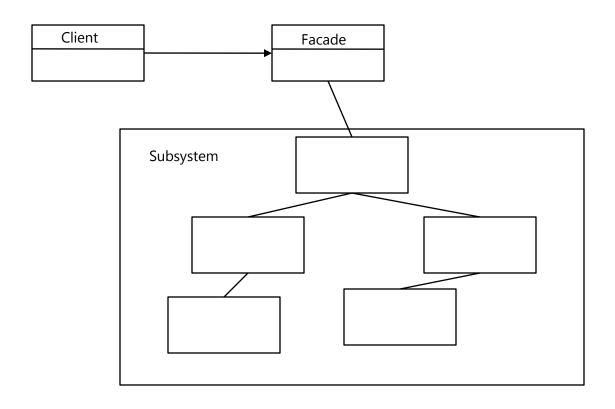


- Defines a high level interface
  - Provides a simplified interface to other systems
  - makes sub-systems easier to use
- May add other functionality
- May have more than one facade to an underlying subsystem



#### **Facade Pattern**

The Facade Pattern provides a unifying interface to a set of interfaces in a subsystem. Facade provides a high level interface that makes a subsystem easier to use.



## **Complex Business Process**



- Transferring Money
  - Get database connection
  - Get account 1
  - Get account 2
  - Create a transaction
  - Check balance in account 1
  - Withdraw from account 1
  - Deposit in account 2
  - Commit transaction



# **Complex Business Process**

- Lots of code to transfer money
  - Client does not want to call this every time it has to update accounts

```
class Client {
   public void DoTransfer() {
        IDbConnection conn = GetDataConnection();
       Account account1 = Account.GetAccount(1);
        Account account2 = Account.GetAccount(2);
        using (TransactionScope scope = new TransactionScope()){
           double amount = 100;
            if (account1.Balance >= amount) {
                account1.Withdraw(conn, amount);
                account2.Deposit(conn, amount);
```



## **Providing a Facade**

- Underlying code still has to be written
  - But is now hidden from the client

```
class Client {
   public void DoTransfer() {
       AccountFacade facade = new AccountFacade();
       facade.TransferMoney(1, 2);
       class AccountFacade {
            public void TransferMoney(int accountId1, int accountId2) {
                IDbConnection conn = GetDataConnection();
                Account account1 = Account.GetAccount(accountId1);
                Account account2 = Account.GetAccount(accountId2);
                using (TransactionScope scope = new TransactionScope()) {
                    double amount = 100;
                    if (account1.Balance >= amount) {
                        account1.Withdraw(conn, amount);
                        account2.Deposit(conn, amount);
                        scope.Complete();
```

#### **Facade Issues**



- Access to underlying classes
  - Client can still use underlying classes directly
- Extra functionality
  - Facade can add extra functionality if necessary
- Multiple Facades
  - Multiple facades can be defined for a subsystem
- Decoupled
  - Client is now decoupled from the underlying implementation

# **Principle of Least Knowledge**



- Also known as the Law of Demeter
- Principle requires that a method of an object may invoke methods on
  - the object itself
  - any parameters passed to a method
  - any object the method creates
  - any components of the object
- In particular, an object should avoid invoking methods of a member object returned by another method

Only talk to your immediate friends



## **Example**

```
class Customer
   Account deposit;
   public void Transfer(Account from){
       SqlConnection connection = new SqlConnection();
       connection.CreateCommand(); // method on object we created
       from.GetBalance();  // method on parameter
       deposit.GetBalance();  // method on component
                       // method on class
       UpdateAmount();
   private void UpdateAmount() {
```

#### **Examples of the Principle**



Don't do this

```
without principle

public float GetAccountBalance()
{
    Customer customer = bank.GetCustomer(1234567);
    return customer.GetBalance();
}
```

```
with principle

public float GetAccountBalance()
{
    return bank.GetBalance(1234567);
}
```

# **Disadvantages of the Principle**



- Will write many wrapper methods
  - so that each wrapper calls a method on its parameters

# **Benefits of the Principle**



- Software is more adaptable and maintainable
  - fewer couplings
  - fewer dependencies
  - object containers can be changed without affecting
  - easier testing

## **Easier Testing**



- Fewer dependencies mean fewer objects to create for test
  - Imagine testing the GetAccountBalance method

```
without principle

public float GetAccountBalance()
{
    Customer customer = bank.GetCustomer(1234567);
    return customer.GetBalance();
}
Need to Create test
Bank and Customer,
objects along with
and whatever the
customer uses
```

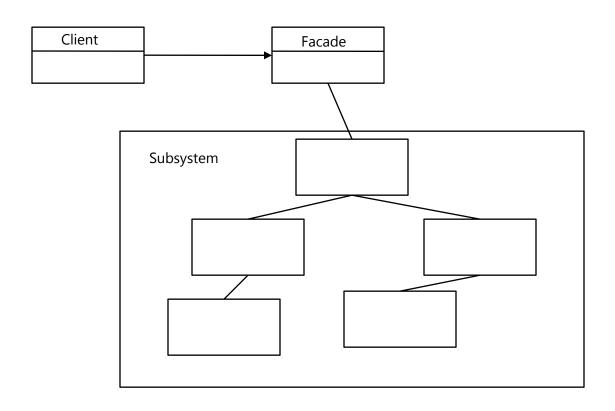
```
with principle

public float GetAccountBalance()
{
    return bank.GetBalance(1234567);
}
Only create test
Bank object
```



# Facade and Principle of Least Knowledge

- Client only has one object to interact with
  - Highly decoupled
  - Can change subsystem without affecting client



## **Summary**



- Use adapters to adapt existing classes to your client
- Use facade to hide complex subsystems from your client
- Remember the Principle of Least Knowledge