Creational patterns Factory Method

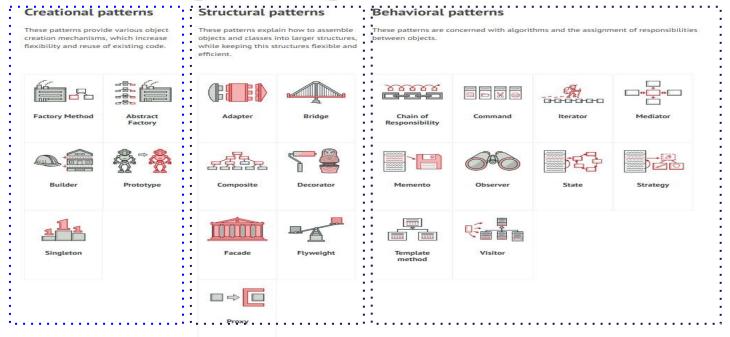
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The Catalog of Design Patterns

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What's a design pattern?

- Design patterns are typical solutions to commonly occurring problems in <u>software</u> <u>design</u>.
- They are like pre-made blueprints that you can customize to solve a recurring design problem in your code.
- Patterns are often confused with algorithms, because both concepts describe typical solutions to some known problems. While an algorithm always defines a clear set of actions that can achieve some goal, a pattern is a more high-level description of a solution. The code of the same pattern applied to two different programs may be different.

Software design is the process of envisioning and defining software solutions to one or more sets of problems. One of the main components of software design is the software requirements analysis (SRA).

SRA is a part of the software development process that lists specifications used in software engineering.

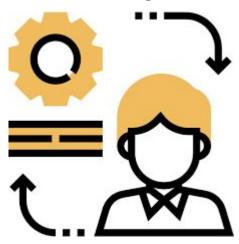
What does the pattern consist of?

Most patterns are described very formally so people can reproduce them in many contexts. Here are the sections that are usually present in a pattern description:

- **Intent** of the pattern briefly describes both the problem and the solution.
- Motivation further explains the problem and the solution the pattern makes possible.
- **Structure** of classes shows each part of the pattern and how they are related.
- Code example in one of the popular programming languages makes it easier to grasp the idea behind the pattern.

Why should I learn patterns?

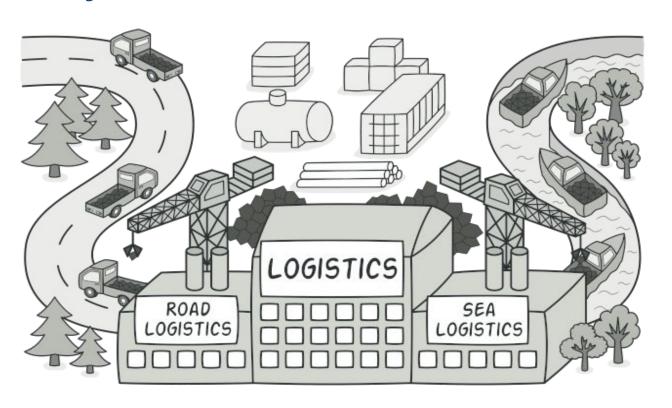
- The truth is that you might manage to work as a programmer for many years without knowing about a single pattern.
- A lot of people do just that. Even in that case, though, you might be implementing some patterns without even knowing it.
- So why would you spend time learning them?



Why should I learn patterns?

- Design patterns are a toolkit of tried and tested solutions to common problems in software design. Even if you never encounter these problems, knowing patterns is still useful because it teaches you how to solve all sorts of problems using principles of object-oriented design.
- **Design patterns** define a common language that you and your teammates can use to communicate more efficiently.
 - a. You can say, "Oh, just use a Singleton for that," and everyone will understand the idea behind your suggestion. No need to explain what a singleton is if you know the pattern and its name

Factory Method

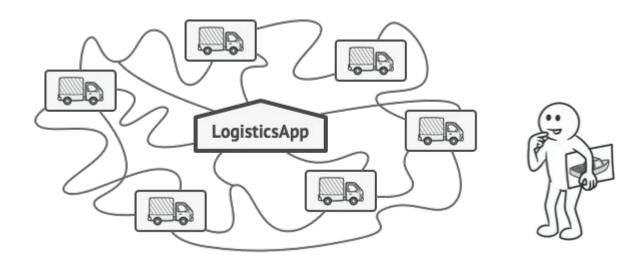


Factory Method - Definition

 Factory Method is a creational design pattern that provides an interface for creating objects in a superclass, but allows subclasses to alter the type of objects that will be created.

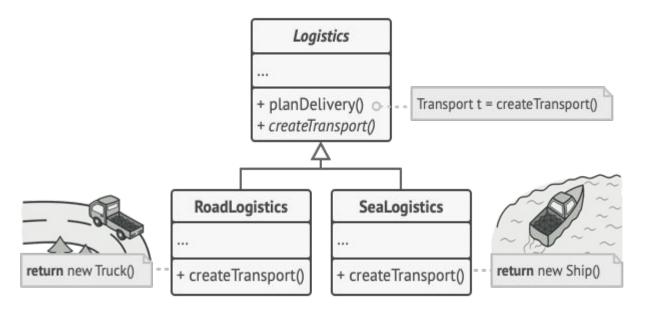
Factory Method - Problem

- Imagine that you're creating a **logistics management application**. The first version of your app can only handle transportation by trucks, so the bulk of your code lives inside the Truck class.
- After a while, your app becomes pretty popular. Each day you receive dozens of requests from sea transportation companies to incorporate sea logistics into the app.

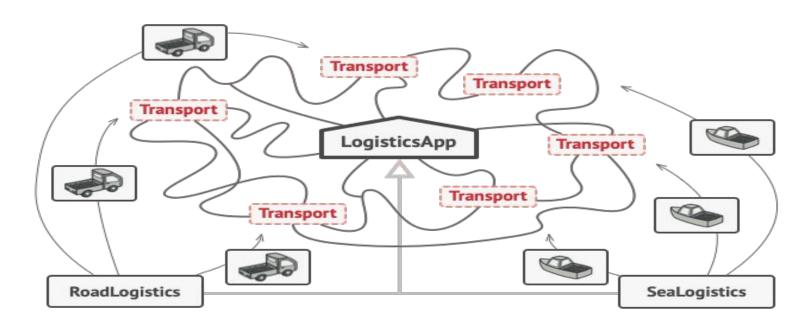


Factory Method - Solution

 The Factory Method pattern suggests that you replace direct object construction calls (using the new operator) with calls to a special factory method.



Factory Method - Solution 1



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Thank you!

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