

You can find an overview of a lot of design patterns in [Wikipedia](#). It I'll sum them up here and try to assign as much as possible pattern EE API's.

Creational patterns

Abstract factory (recognizeable by creational methods returning the another abstract/interface type)

[javax.xml.parsers.DocumentBuilderFactory#newInstance\(\)](#)
[javax.xml.transform.TransformerFactory#newInstance\(\)](#)
[javax.xml.xpath.XPathFactory#newInstance\(\)](#)

Builder (recognizeable by creational methods returning the instance it

[java.lang.StringBuilder#append\(\)](#) (unsynchronized)

[java.lang.StringBuffer#append\(\)](#) (synchronized)

[java.nio.ByteBuffer#put\(\)](#) (also on [CharBuffer](#), [ShortBuffer](#), [DoubleBuffer](#))

[javax.swing.GroupLayout.Group#addComponent\(\)](#)

All implementations of [java.lang.Appendable](#)

Factory method (recognizeable by creational methods returning an in

[java.util.Calendar#getInstance\(\)](#)

[java.util.ResourceBundle#getBundle\(\)](#)

[java.text.NumberFormat#getInstance\(\)](#)

[java.nio.charset.Charset#forName\(\)](#)

[java.net.URLStreamHandlerFactory#createURLStreamHandl](#)
protocol)

Prototype (recognizeable by creational methods returning a *different*

[java.lang.Object#clone\(\)](#) (the class has to implement [java.](#)

Singleton (recognizeable by creational methods returning the *same* in

[java.lang.Runtime#.getRuntime\(\)](#)

[java.awt.Desktop#getDesktop\(\)](#)

Structural patterns

Adapter (recognizeable by creational methods taking an instance of *di*
implementation of own/another abstract/interface type which *decorate*:

[java.util.Arrays#asList\(\)](#)

[java.io.InputStreamReader\(InputStream\)](#) (returns a [Reade](#)

[java.io.OutputStreamWriter\(OutputStream\)](#) (returns a [Wri](#)

[javax.xml.bind.annotation.adapters.XmlAdapter#marsh](#)

Bridge (recognizeable by creational methods taking an instance of *diff*
implementation of own abstract/interface type which *delegates/uses* th

None comes to mind yet. A fictive example would be `new LinkedHashMap`
returns an unmodifiable linked map which doesn't clone the items,

[java.util.Collections#newSetFromMap\(\)](#) and [singletonX](#)

Composite (recognizeable by behavioral methods taking an instance of

[java.awt.Container#add\(Component\)](#) (practically all over [Swi](#)

[javax.faces.component.UIComponent#getChildren\(\)](#) (prac

Decorator (recognizeable by creational methods taking an instance of
behaviour)

All subclasses of [java.io.InputStream](#), [OutputStream](#), [Reade](#)

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of same type.

`java.util.Collections`, the `checkedXXX()`, `synchronizedXX`, `javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequestWrapper` and `HttpFacade` (recognizeable by behavioral methods which internally uses in types)

`javax.faces.context.FacesContext`, it internally uses among `ViewHandler`, `NavigationHandler` and many more without that however overrideable by injection).

`javax.faces.context.ExternalContext`, which internally use: `HttpServletRequest`, `HttpServletResponse`, etc.

Flyweight (recognizeable by creational methods returning a cached in `java.lang.Integer#valueOf(int)` (also on `Boolean`, `Byte`, `Character`))

Proxy (recognizeable by creational methods which returns an implementation *delegates/uses a different* implementation of given abstract/interface type) `java.lang.reflect.Proxy`

`java.rmi.*`, the whole API actually.

The Wikipedia example is IMHO a bit poor, lazy loading has actually completed

Behavioral patterns

Chain of responsibility (recognizeable by behavioral methods which implementation of *same* abstract/interface type in a queue)

`java.util.logging.Logger#log()`

`javax.servlet.Filter#doFilter()`

Command (recognizeable by behavioral methods in an abstract/interface of a *different* abstract/interface type which has been *encapsulated* by them)

All implementations of `java.lang.Runnable`

All implementations of `javax.swing.Action`

Interpreter (recognizeable by behavioral methods returning a *structure*, note that parsing/formatting is not part of the pattern, determining the meaning)

`java.util.Pattern`

`java.text.Normalizer`

All subclasses of `java.text.Format`

All subclasses of `javax.el.ELResolver`

Iterator (recognizeable by behavioral methods sequentially returning items)

All implementations of `java.util.Iterator` (thus among others)

All implementations of `java.util.Enumeration`

Mediator (recognizeable by behavioral methods taking an instance of command pattern) which delegates/uses the given instance)

`java.util.Timer` (all `scheduleXXX()` methods)

`java.util.concurrent.Executor#execute()`

`java.util.concurrent.ExecutorService` (the `invokeXXX()` methods)

`java.util.concurrent.ScheduledExecutorService` (all `scheduleXXX()` methods)

`java.lang.reflect.Method#invoke()`

Memento (recognizeable by behavioral methods which internally characterize state) `java.util.Date` (the setter methods do that, `Date` is internally re-created)

All implementations of `java.io.Serializable`

All implementations of `javax.faces.component.StateHolder`

Observer (or Publish/Subscribe) (recognizeable by behavioral methods which implement an abstract/interface type, depending on own state)

[java.util.Observer](#)/[java.util.Observable](#) (rarely used in re
All implementations of [java.util.EventListener](#) (practically al
[javax.servlet.http.HttpSessionBindingListener](#)
[javax.servlet.http.HttpSessionAttributeListener](#)
[javax.faces.event.PhaseListener](#)

State (recognizeable by behavioral methods which changes its behavior controlled externally)

[javax.faces.lifecycle.Lifecycle#execute\(\)](#) (controlled by current phase (state) of JSF lifecycle)

Strategy (recognizeable by behavioral methods in an abstract/interface *different* abstract/interface type which has been *passed-in* as method argument)
[java.util.Comparator#compare\(\)](#), executed by among others [javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet](#), the `service()` and all `doXXX()` methods of [HttpServletResponse](#) and the implementor has to process them
[javax.servlet.Filter#doFilter\(\)](#)

Template method (recognizeable by behavioral methods which already exist in the abstract/interface type)

All non-abstract methods of [java.io.InputStream](#), [java.io.OutputStream](#), [java.io.Writer](#).

All non-abstract methods of [java.util.AbstractList](#), [java.util.AbstractSet](#), [javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet](#), all the `doXXX()` methods of [HttpServletResponse](#) error to the response. You're free to implement none or any of them

Visitor (recognizeable by two *different* abstract/interface types which implement the *same* abstract/interface type; the one actually calls the method of the other)
[javax.lang.model.element.AnnotationValue](#) and [AnnotationValueVisitor](#)
[javax.lang.model.element.Element](#) and [ElementVisitor](#)
[javax.lang.model.type.TypeMirror](#) and [TypeVisitor](#)

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