

Side by Side Deployment



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Overview

- Might want to load different versions of the same class
 - IDE extensions require different versions of XML parsers
- Classloader provides isolation

Class.forName

- Three parameter version of Class.forName
 - Class is loaded by the classloader in the 3rd paramter

```
ClassLoader ucl = new URLClassLoader(...);  
Class.forName("com.pluralsight.Quote", true, ucl);
```

Calling Down the Loader Hierarchy

```
Class rocketCls= Class.forName("Rocket", true, ucl);  
Rocket r = (Rocket) rocketCls.newInstance();
```



Incorrect. Rocket should not be
visible
to caller's loader

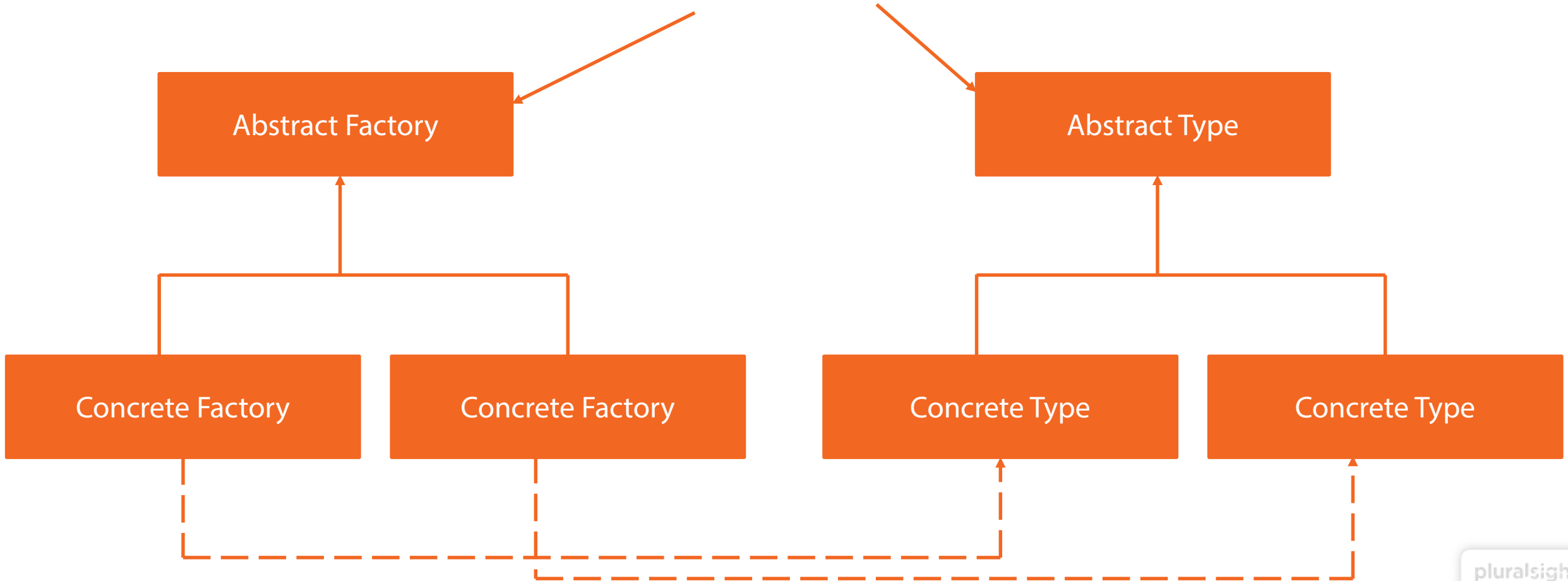
Correct. Rocket should
be visible to
URLClassLoader



```
Class rocketCls= Class.forName("Rocket", true, ucl);  
RocketItf r = (RocketItf) rocketCls.newInstance();
```

Factory Pattern

- Constructor pattern



Summary

- Use interfaces when dynamically loading classes
 - Classes you are loading cannot be on the classpath
 - Still need a way of calling methods on those classes
- Can create flexible factories
 - Use classloader to load factory dynamically