Object-Oriented Programing

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Object-Oriented Analysis and Design

Analysis, Design, Implementation

- Non-trivial software development requires forethought. Jumping into an editor first thing will get you into trouble.
- The book calls Analysis, Design & Implementation 'phases' and treats them as sequential. This is naive and not the way things work in practice.

Analysis

- Think the problem through, get an understanding in broad strokes of what you will be building.
 - What should the software do?
 - Ask 'Why?' as many times as is necessary!
- Decompose the problem into subproblems.
- Identify the 'nouns' and the 'verbs'.

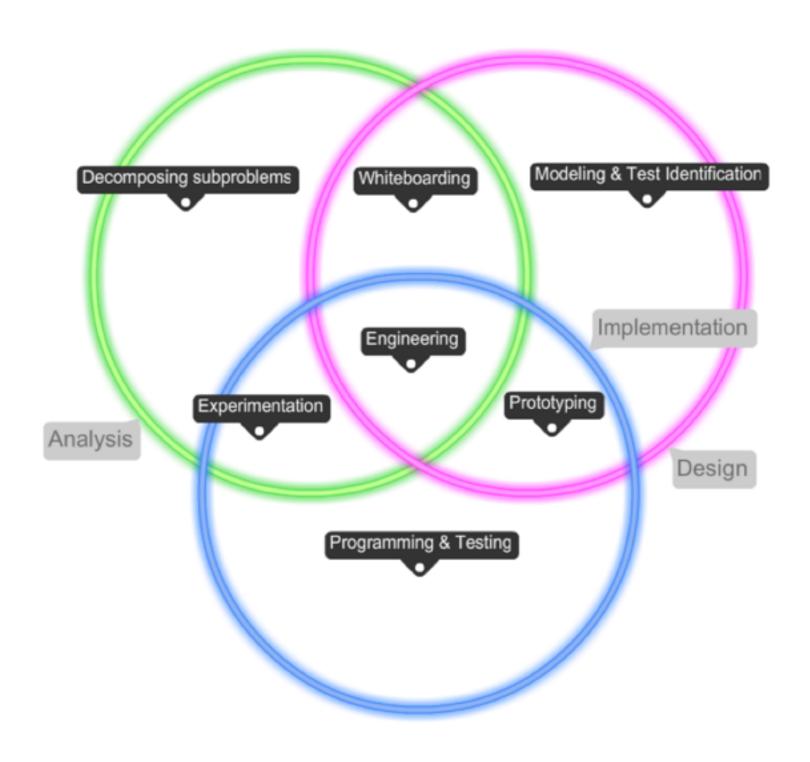
Design

- Model some classes based on your analysis
 - Identify the responsibilities and relationships between classes.
- Are there design patterns you can use to solve the problem?
- Continue to analyze. Looking for opportunities to add constraints that eliminate complexity.

Implementation

- Decide how to distribute work.
 - Who works on what subproblem?
- Start coding based on your design.
- Continue to refine you understanding of the problem and the design approach.

Iterative A/D/I



Design Patterns

What are Design Patterns?

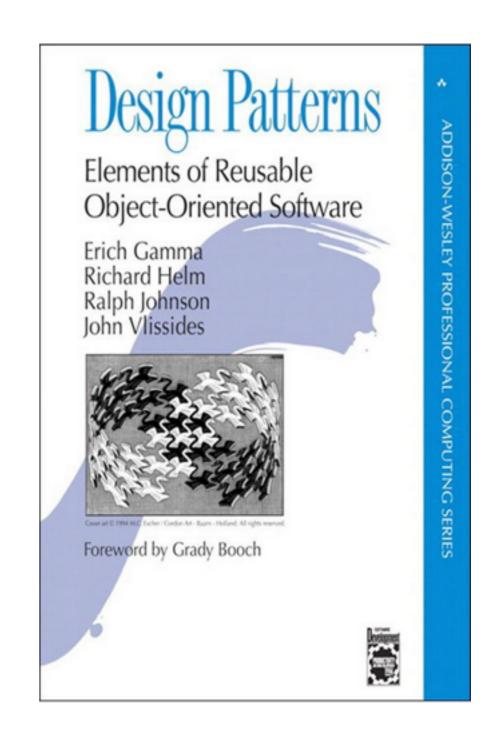
- is a general, reusable solution to a commonly occurring problem
- is abstract from programming languages
- identifies classes and their roles in the solution to a problem
- patterns are not code, only design; must be applied
- ..some would argue are indicative of missing language features!

Why are Design Patterns?

- patterns are a common design vocabulary
- allows engineers to abstract a problem and talk about that abstraction in isolation from its implementation
- patterns capture design expertise and allow that expertise to be communicated
- promotes design reuse and avoid mistakes
- improve documentation (less is needed) and understandability (patterns are described well once)

Canonical Text

- Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software
- A classic.
- Authors known as "Gang of Four"
- If you are interested in this subject, this is the text to get.
- (Really useful knowledge for interviews!)



Iterator Pattern

- iterator: an object that provides a standard way to examine all elements of any collection
- uniform interface for traversing many different data structures
- supports concurrent iteration and element removal

```
for (Iterator<Account> itr = list.iterator(); itr.hasNext(); ) {
    Account a = itr.next();
    System.out.println(a);
}

map.keySet().iterator()
map.values().iterator()
```

Chain of Responsibility

- A design pattern consisting of a source of 'command' objects and a series of 'processing' objects
- Each processing object contains logic that defines the types of command objects that it can handle;
- A processing 'pipeline', good for programs that pass the same data through a series of 'phases'.

Chain of Responsibility

- Our code example is as follows:
 - A company needs to have any expenditure approved.
 - Depending on the price, the expenditure needs approval by different levels of management
 - Small priced expenditures require manager approval whereas large priced expenditures require director approval and so on
 - We can apply the CoR as a design pattern to solve this problem!



Confused? Lets look at some code.

https://github.com/nyu-oop/chain-of-responsiblity

Sbt

What is Sbt (3 things)

- It is an extensible, interactive **build tool**.
- Provides commands to build, test and run your code.
- Those commands are executed in a interactive console.
- Other build tools...
 - Make, Gradle, Stack, Rake...
- Sbt typically associated with Scala projects, but works equally well for Java projects.

What is Sbt (3 things)

- It is a dependency manager
- Most non-trivial software projects have code libraries that they depend on. (Ex. Junit)
- Where do those libraries come from? Bundled with the code? That presents problems (such as version management)
- Sbt fetches your dependencies from the internet

What is Sbt (3 things)

- It is a project structure
 - It has a specific set of conventions for layout of a Java project
- These questions are all answered by Sbt...
 - Where does code go?
 - Where to tests go?
 - How about project configuration?

Sbt Directory Structure

- Every Sbt project we work with this semester will have the same structure, as follows...
 - build.sbt project configuration. Where dependencies and custom commands are define
 - lib the directory that contains unmanaged dependencies
 - · logs when using the logging class, output will go here as well as the console.
 - output the directory for target code, will also contain provided C++ library code
 - · project sbt configuration, you should not need to touch this
 - src/main/java your code for the project
 - src/test/java your unit tests
 - src/main/resources xtc.properties configure your team name and other details here.
 - target compiled class files

Sbt Commands

- Commands we care about for this course
 - compile compiles the java code in your project
 - run looks for the main method and runs it, if there is more than one, it gives you a menu
 - clean removes compiled class files
 - test runs all unit tests in your project
 - test-only runs specific tests based on a pattern. Globbing allowed with asteriks. ex. test-only *MethodVisitorTest*

Sbt Extensions

- Commands I have created (defined in in **build.sbt**)
 - format formats all code (c++, java tests and main source) using astyle
 - compilec compiles c++ in output directory
 - execc executes c++ in output directory
 - cpp alias for both the previous commands
 - runxtc runs the Boot class which is the main class of the translator.

JUnit

What is JUnit

- JUnit is a unit testing framework for Java.
- Unit testing refers to the testing of the functionality provided by an individual class.
- Configuration and execution is all managed by Sbt.
- You need to know 3 things...
 - 1. How to write tests.
 - 2. How to use assertions.
 - 3. How to execute tests.



We are using JUnit v4, which introduced significant changes from v3. *Many* tutorials on the interwebs are using JUnit v3.

How to write tests

- Create a Java class, put it in src/test/java/some/ package directory that mirrors the src/main/java/some/ package directory that the code you want to test is in
- Write some test methods (using assertions) and put the @Test annotation on that method
- Profit
- There are also the @Before, @After, @BeforeClass and @AfterClass annotations (see ExampleJunitTest.java in the xtc-demo repo)

How to use Assertions

- Assertions are functions, provided by Junit, that test that some expected condition is true.
- This is the way we signal to Junit if tests pass or fail.
- There are many provided assertion types, but essentially they all can be reduced to the following..
 - assertEquals("this", "that");
- However, that can be inconvenient, so JUnit provides many assertion methods (see ExampleJunitAssertions.java in the xtc-demo repo)

How to execute tests

You know already! Right....?

Git & Github

(The 'No Frills' version, adapted from http://rogerdudler.github.io/git-guide/)

Git is a Vcs

- A "version control system"
- Change tracking on files. "Backup" of versions of files, if you so choose.
- Enables multiple people to work on same code without too much headache.
- Git was initially designed and developed by Linus Torvalds for Linux kernel development

Git is distributed

- Every Git 'working directory' is a full-fledged repository with complete history and full versiontracking capabilities.
- A 'working directory' is just a copy on disk a 'repository'
- A 'repository' is a code base that you want to collaborate on with others. (sometimes called a 'repo' for short)

Github is Git Hosting Service

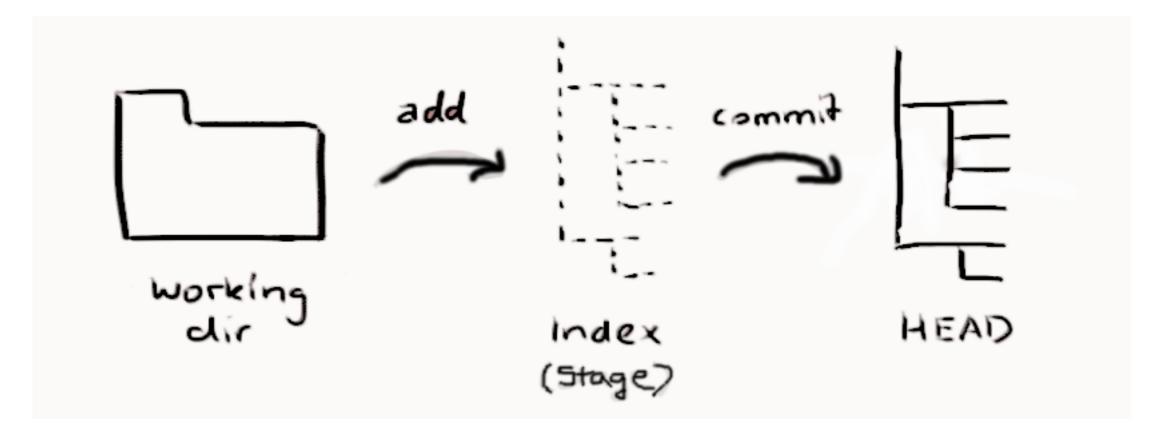
- Github has generously donated an 'organization' to us.
- An organization is just a private site for us to share repositories as a group.
- Github will contain repos for each of homeworks, inclass code, each team's translator, etc..
- We will effectively download the code from Git to work on it, then we will upload the code back there so other team members can retrieve it. (We will do this through git commands.)

Basic Git Workflow

- 1. First, you 'clone' a repository from Github. (translation: make a local copy, you do this only once!)
- 2. Next you 'add' new files and modify existing files.
- 3. Then you 'commit' those changes and additions. (translation: take a backup of that version)
- 4. Finally, you will 'push' that code to Github

Steps 1-3

- After you've cloned a repo...
 - your local repository consists of three "trees" maintained by git.
 - the first one is your 'working directory' which holds the actual files.
 - the second one is the Index which acts as a staging area
 - and finally the HEAD which points to the last commit you've made.



Steps 1-3

- You can propose changes (add it to the Index) using
 - git add .
- To actually commit these changes use
 - git commit -am "Commit message"
- Now the file is committed to the HEAD, but not in your remote repository yet.
- (Don't break the build!! I.e. do not commit code that is known to be broken)

Step 4

- Your changes are now in the HEAD of your local working copy. To send those changes to your remote repository, execute
 - git push origin master

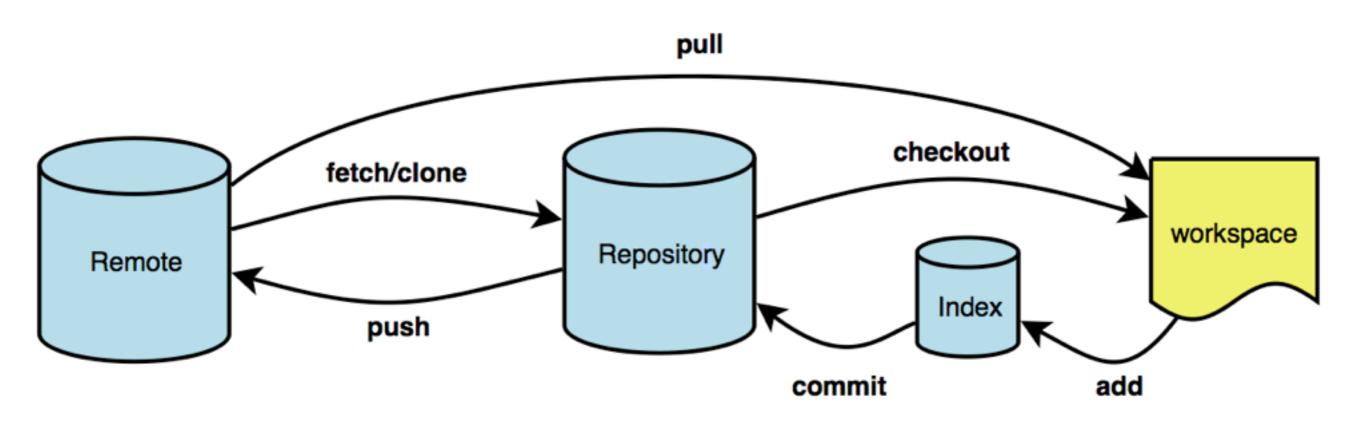
Step x.5

- Interleaved throughout that process you may want to see if your teammates have pushed anything.
- You can get their code by executing...
 - git pull origin master

Update & Merge

- git tries to auto-merge changes.
- This is not always possible and results in conflicts.
- You are responsible to merge those conflicts manually by editing the files shown by git.
- After changing, you need to mark them as merged with..
 - git add <filename>

Moreover...



What about branching?!?

(We've covered enough for today. You'll need to, but you will work that out with your team.)

Learning Resources

- Interactive tutorial on Git
 - https://try.github.io/levels/1/challenges/1
- Interactive tutorial on Git Branching
 - http://pcottle.github.io/learnGitBranching/