

Design Pattern Definitions from the GoF Book

The Strategy Pattern

Defines a family of algorithms, encapsulates each one, and makes them interchangeable.

Creational Patterns

- The Factory Method Pattern
- The Abstract Factory Pattern
- The Singleton Pattern
- The Builder Pattern
- The Prototype Pattern

Structural Patterns

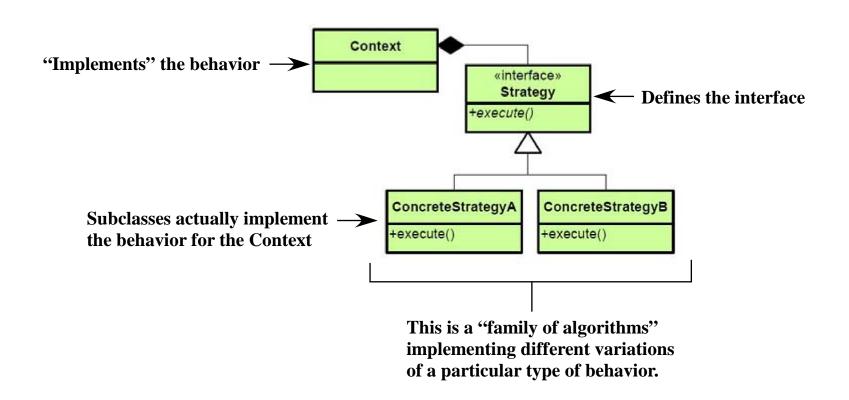
- The Decorator Pattern
- The Adapter Pattern
- The Facade Pattern
- The Composite Pattern
- O The Proxy Pattern
- The Bridge Pattern
- The Flyweight Pattern

Behavioral Patterns

- **►** The Strategy Pattern
- The Observer Pattern
- The Command Pattern
- The Template Method Pattern
- The Iterator Pattern
- The State Pattern
- The Chain of Responsibility Pattern
- The Interpreter Pattern
- **O** The Mediator Pattern
- O The Memento Pattern
- O The Visitor Pattern

Design Patterns: Strategy Quick Overview

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All ducks quack and swim so the superclass implements that.

Duck

quack()
swim()
virtual display()

The display() method is virtual because all Duck subtypes look different.

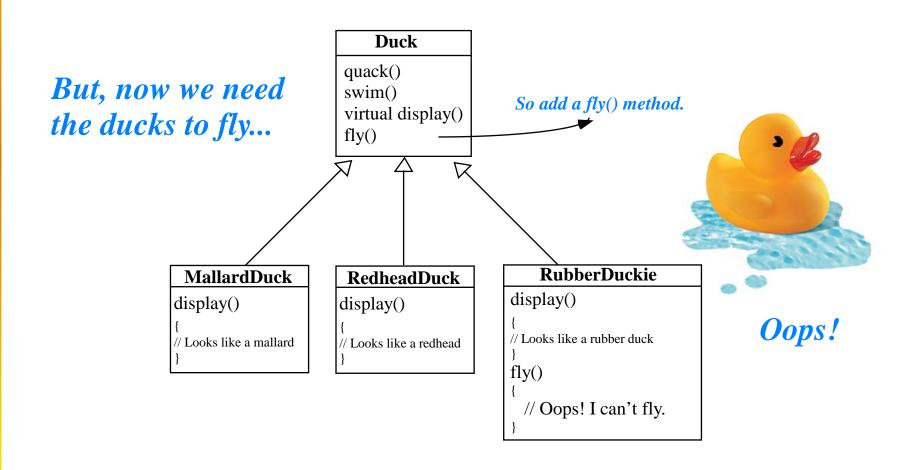
MallardDuck

display() {
// Looks like a mallard

RedheadDuck

display()
{
// Looks like a redhead
}

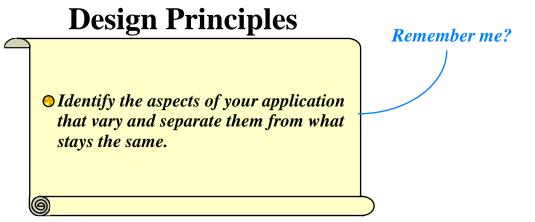
Lots of other types of ducks inherit from the Duck class.



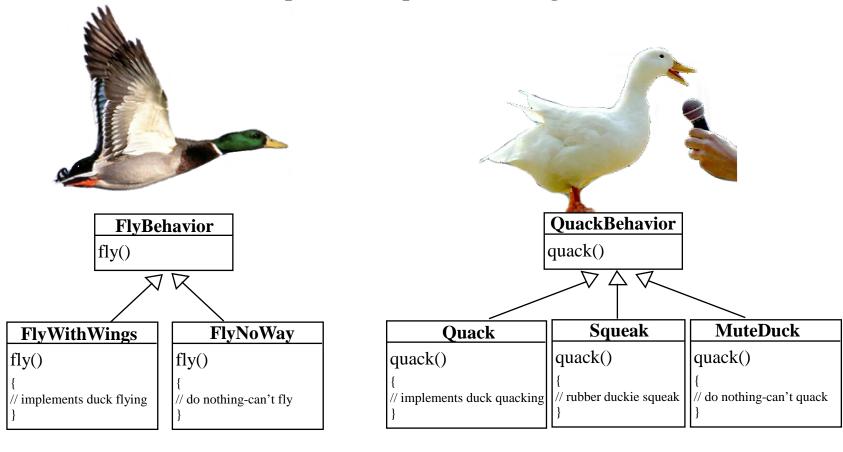
So what's a programmer to do?

Design Patterns: Strategy The one constant in software development.

Change



Encapsulate the part that changes

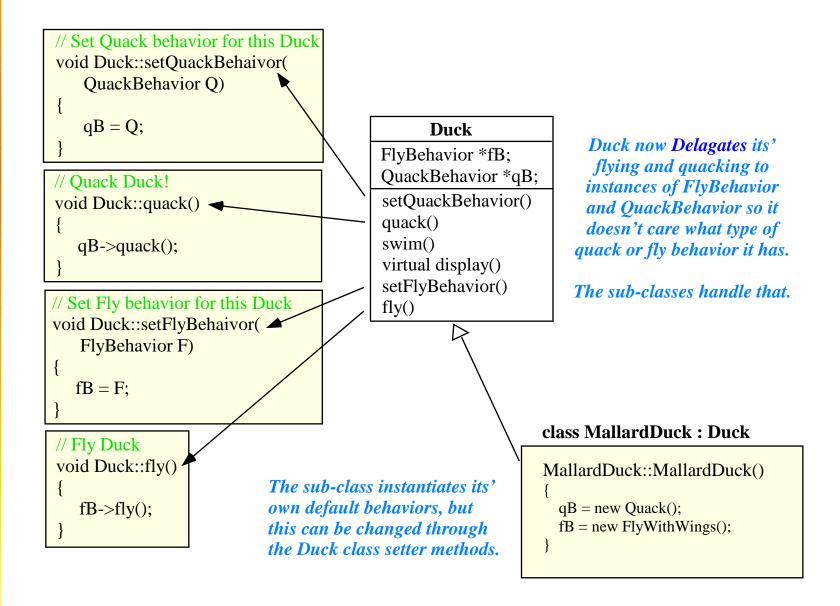


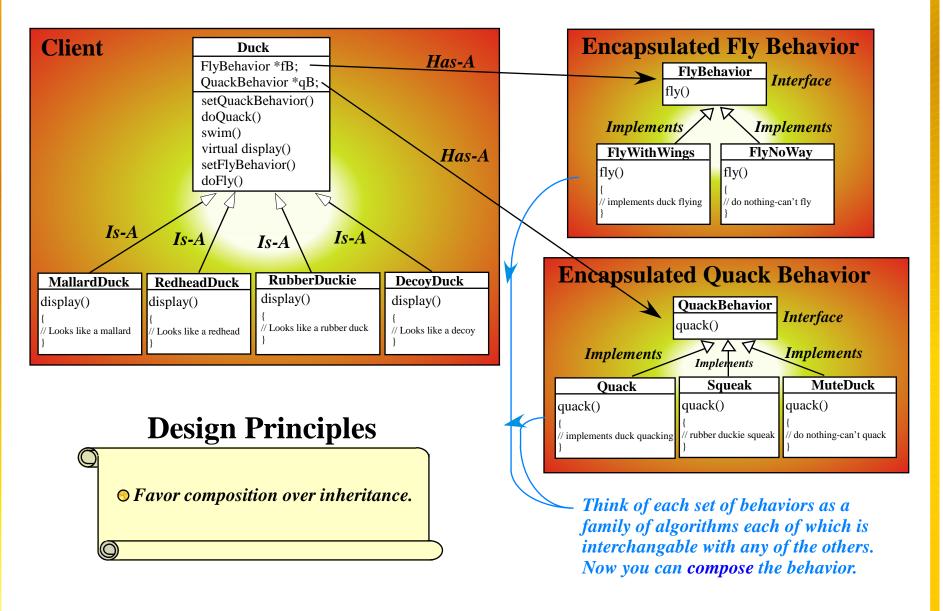
Design Principles

FlyBehavior and QuackBehavior are the interfaces

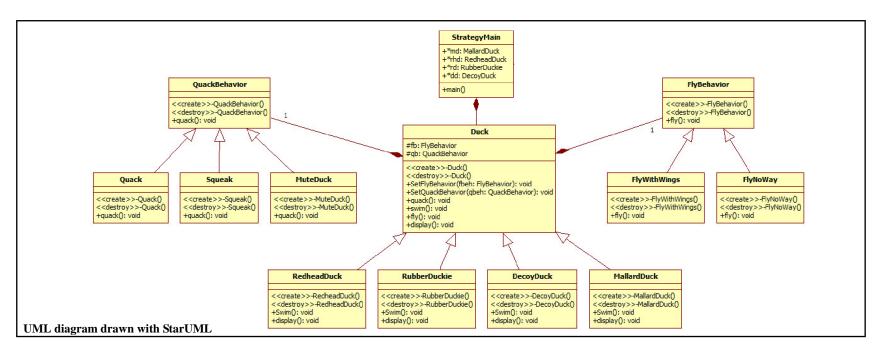
O Program to an interface, not an implementation.

FlyWithWings, FlyNoWay Quack, Squeak, MuteDuck are the implementations.





Code Sample



StrategyMain

Instantiates instances of:

RedheadDuck

Instantiates instances of Quack and FlyWithWings

RubberDuckie

Instantiates instances of Squeak and FlyNoWay

DecoyDuck

Instantiates instances of MuteDuck and FlyNoWay

MallardDuck

Instantiates instances of Quack and FlyWithWings