Adapter Design Pattern

Software Design Architecture Lab # 8
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- 1. Adapter pattern works as a bridge between two incompatible interfaces. This type of design pattern comes under structural pattern as this pattern combines the capability of two independent interfaces.
- 2. This pattern involves a single class which is responsible to join functionalities of independent or incompatible interfaces.
- 3. Ex: A real life example could be a case of **card reader** which acts as an adapter between memory card and a laptop. You plugin the memory card into card reader and card reader into the laptop so that memory card can be read via laptop.

Why Adapter Design Pattern

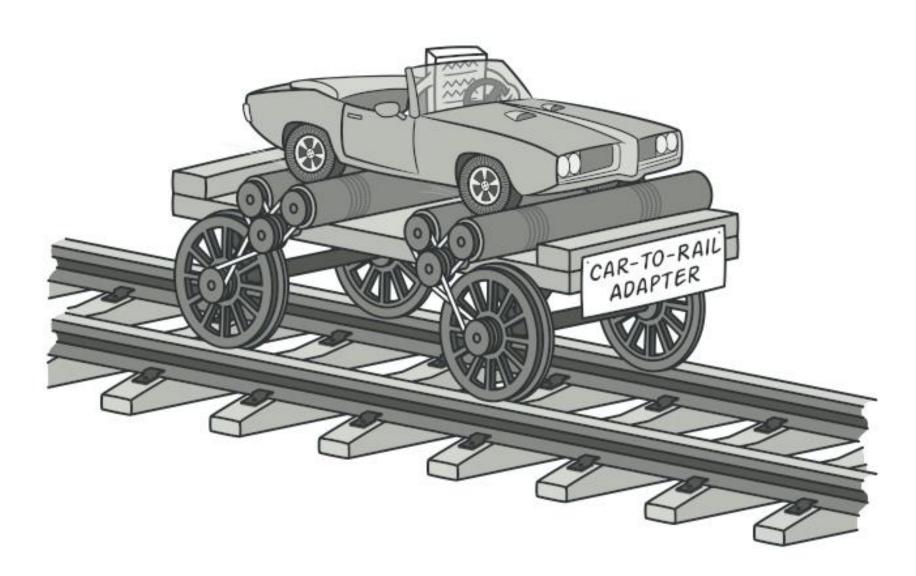
- For making compatibility.
- Enhance and extend usage.
- Loose coupling of classes.

When to Use this pattern?

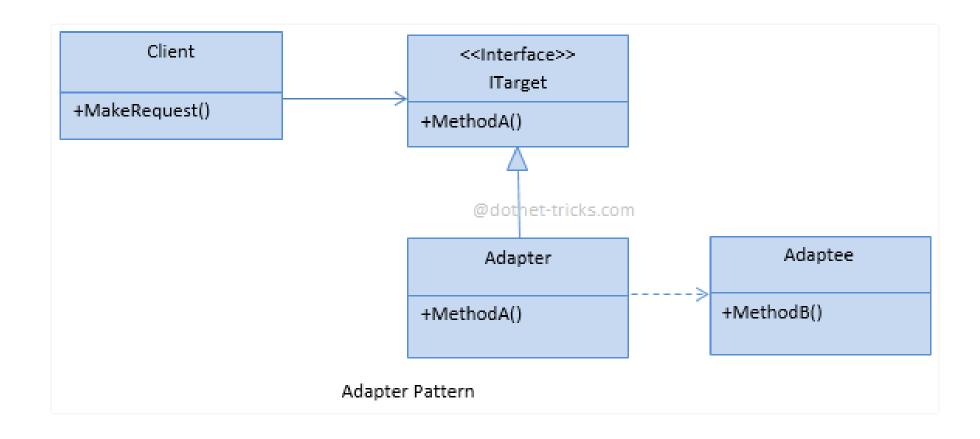
- 1. When we want to make compatibility between incompatible system.
- 2. Adapter pattern acts as a bridge between two incompatible interfaces. This pattern involves a single class called adapter which is responsible for communication between two independent or incompatible interfaces.

Example: A card reader acts as an adapter between a memory card and a laptop. You plugins the memory card into card reader and card reader into the laptop so that memory card can be read via laptop.

Example



UML Diagram



Implementation Steps

Following are the steps for implementing Adapter design pattern.

- 1. Client Class
- 2. Adapter Class
- 3. Adaptee Class

Example Step by Step

Step1

```
// The Target defines the domain-specific interface used by the client code.
public interface ITarget
{
    string GetRequest();
}
```

Step2

```
// The Adaptee contains some useful behavior, but its interface is
// incompatible with the existing client code. The Adaptee needs some
// adaptation before the client code can use it.

class Adaptee
{
    public string GetSpecificRequest()
    {
        return "Specific request.";
    }
}
```

Step 3

```
// The Adapter makes the Adaptee's interface compatible with the Target's
// interface.
class Adapter : ITarget
    private readonly Adaptee _adaptee;
    public Adapter(Adaptee adaptee)
        this._adaptee = adaptee;
    public string GetRequest()
        return $"This is '{this._adaptee.GetSpecificRequest()}'";
```

Consumation (Client Code)

```
class Program
    static void Main(string[] args)
        Adaptee adaptee = new Adaptee();
        ITarget target = new Adapter(adaptee);
        Console.WriteLine("Adaptee interface is incompatible with the client.");
        Console.WriteLine("But with adapter client can call it's method.");
        Console.WriteLine(target.GetRequest());
```

Output

```
Adaptee interface is incompatible with the client.
But with adapter client can call it's method.
This is 'Specific request.'
```

Tasks

1. You are working on a project where you get data from third party webapi/service in XML format. You are creating charts from that data for creating a chart you need data in JSON format in order to make them compatiable you need to convert xml data into json but limitation is you can't modify third party webservice/api you have to make Adapter that returns data in JSON by using adapter pattern.