Activity 7-1: The Open-Closed Principle

Interjecting segments of the OCP video¹ (only available in class or by purchase).

Overview

01:00-04:10 overview

Open and Closed

11:40-18:20 open and closed

A module or component conforms to the **Open-Closed Principle** if its both *open to extension* and *closed to modification*. These two things seem contradictory, until you dig deeper into what these phrases mean.

- 1. What does it mean for a module to be open to extension?
- 2. What does it mean for a module to be closed to modification?
- 3. What does it mean to separate out extensible behavior using an abstraction?
- 4. What is a *software dependency*, and what does it mean to *invert* that dependency*?
- 5. How does the combination of *abstraction* and *inversion* allow for the behavior of a module to be extended without modifying its source code?
- 6. What is the main implication of conforming to the open-closed principle?

Feasibility of Open-Closed Principle

18:20-20:40 feasibility of open-closed principle

- 1. Is is *possible* to always write your code so that it conforms to the open-closed principle?
- 2. Is it *practical* to always write your code to conform to the open-closed principle?
- 3. What is the "crystal ball" problem?
- 4. Is a single class easier to make conform to the open-closed principle than a large system component composed of many different classes? Why or why not?

¹../videos/11-ocp.html

Example: Accounting System

20:40-42:45 accounting system example

- 1. Stop at 24:40
 - Go over code handout and what is being accomplished by each part of the printReport and the Expense class.
- 2. Skip forward to 27:30
- 3. Pause at "business rules" (28:00):
 - What does he mean by business rules?
 - Where are the business rules in the code?
- 4. Pause after "new meal type: lunch or snack" (28:47):
 - What is the first line of code that we would have to change?
 - How places just in printReport would we need to change?
- 5. Pause at 34:30
 - We could extract out methods for each bit of functionality, but it won't help. Why?
- 6. Stop at 35:23
 - Rewind to show printReport diagram.
 - Go over handout with new system design.
 - a. What does the "<I>" on the ExpenseName box mean?
 - b. What does the "<A>" on the Expense box mean?
 - c. What is the difference between the dotted line and the solid line?
 - d. Where are the abstractions in the diagram?
- 7. Skip forward to 38:40
- 8. Pause at 40:55
 - Where does he mean by derivitive?

The Lie

42:45-46:55 the lie

Two Solutions

46:55-52:12 two solutions

- Pause at 48:20
 - What is the problem with "big design upfront"?

Agile Design in Practice

52:10-56:15 agile design in practice

- Pause at 52:12
 - What does a development team do during "iteration 0"?
 - What is the goal of iteration 0?

Reprise

56:15-57:25 reprise

Summary and Closing Credits

57:25-1:02:17 summary/credits SKIP