



Lecture 11: State Pattern

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LECTURE 10: BUILDER PATTERN RECAP

- ▶ Design pattern 06: builder pattern
 - ▶ Definition
 - ▶ Problem/solution
 - ▶ UML & implementation
 - ▶ Applicability
 - ▶ Pros & cons

LECTURE 11: STATE PATTERN TOPICS

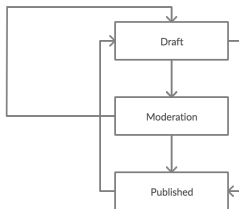
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 - ▶ Real world analogy
 - ▶ UML & implementation
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STATE PATTERN: DEFINITION

- ▶ Behavioural pattern
- ▶ Allows an object to alter its behaviour when its internal state changes
- ▶ Close to the concept of finite-state machines
- ▶ Can be interpreted as a strategy pattern
- ▶ Used to encapsulate varying behaviour for the same object
- ▶ Cleaner way for an object to change its behavior at runtime

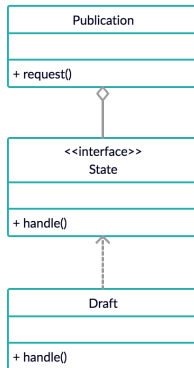
STATE PATTERN: PROBLEM

- ▶ Writing for publication
- ▶ Published by the author or co-authors
- ▶ Reviewed & approved by the moderator
- ▶ Review hasn't passed and returned back to the author/co-authors
- ▶ Publication has expired
- ▶ Published by the moderator



STATE PATTERN: SOLUTION

- ▶ Publication class
- ▶ State interface class
- ▶ Draft (state) class

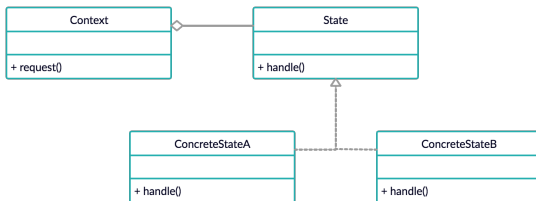


STATE PATTERN: REAL WORLD ANALOGY

- ▶ Purchasing an item from a vending machine
- ▶ When money is deposited & an item is selected, the vending machine will either:
 - ▶ Return the item & no change
 - ▶ Return the item & change
 - ▶ Return no item due to an insufficient amount deposited
 - ▶ Return no item due to an inventory depletion

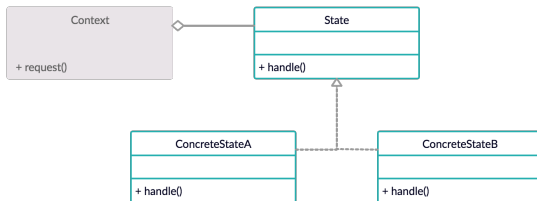
STATE PATTERN: UML

- Consider the following UML diagram:



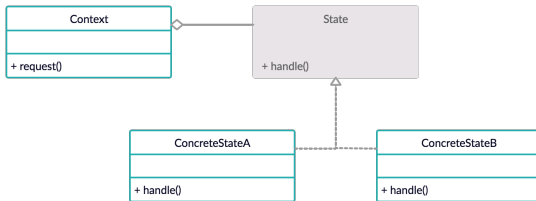
STATE PATTERN: UML

- ▶ Context class
- ▶ Doesn't implement state-specific behaviour directly
- ▶ Refers to the state interface class for performing state-specific behaviour
- ▶ Delegates state-specific behavior to different state objects



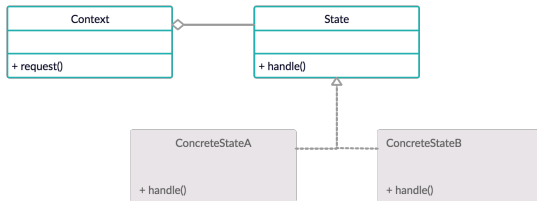
STATE PATTERN: UML

► State interface class



STATE PATTERN: UML

- ▶ Concrete state classes
- ▶ Implement the state interface class
- ▶ Encapsulate the state-specific behaviour for each state



STATE PATTERN: IMPLEMENTATION

```
from abc import ABC, abstractmethod

class State(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def write_name(self, state_context, name):
        pass

class LowercaseState(State):
    def write_name(self, state_context, name):
        print(name.lower())
        state_context.state = UppercaseState()

class UppercaseState(State):
    def write_name(self, state_context, name):
        print(name.upper())
        state_context.state = LowercaseState()
```

STATE PATTERN: IMPLEMENTATION

```
class StateContext:
    def __init__(self):
        self.__state = UppercaseState()

    @property
    def state(self):
        return self.__state

    @state.setter
    def state(self, state):
        self.__state = state

    def request(self, name):
        self.__state.write_name(self, name)

def main():
    state_context = StateContext()
    state_context.request('Monday')
    state_context.request('Tuesday')
    state_context.request('Wednesday')
    state_context.request('Thursday')
    state_context.request('Friday')
    state_context.request('Saturday')
    state_context.request('Sunday')

if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

STATE PATTERN: PROS

- ▶ Particular states are organised into separate class
- ▶ New states can be introduced without having to change the existing state classes or the context
- ▶ By eliminating large state machine conditionals, the context code is simplified

STATE PATTERN: CONS

- ▶ If a state machine has only a few states or rarely changes, the state pattern can be an overkill

PRACTICAL

- ▶ Series of tasks covering today's lecture
- ▶ Worth 1% of your final mark for the Object-Oriented Systems Development course
- ▶ Deadline: Tuesday, 7 April at 5pm

EXAM 02 RESULTS



LECTURE 12: FLYWEIGHT PATTERN TOPICS

- ▶ Design pattern 08: flyweight pattern
 - ▶ Definition
 - ▶ Problem/solution
 - ▶ UML
 - ▶ Immutability
 - ▶ Implementation
 - ▶ Pros & cons