

Lab 06 Interface and State-Pattern

State-Pattern - what is it and WHY?

A casual story for introduction:

We now need to: Model 3 levels of happiness
 Later on, we: *may add new levels !!* (software change)

An OOP principle: Open-closed Principle (OCP)

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Approach 1: if-then-else [Bad]

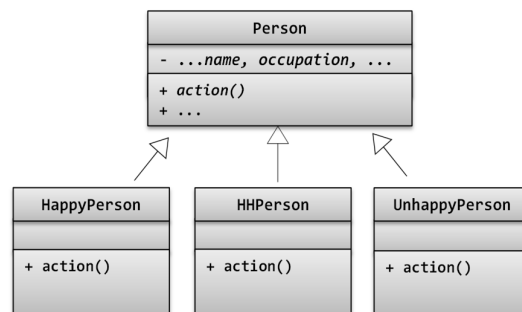
```
class Person
{
    private type happinessLevel;
    ... other fields: name, occupation..
    public void setHappinessLevel(..) {..};
    public void action() {..};
    ... other methods
}
```

```
If happy
    Output "Willing to help others";
Else if half_and_half
    Output "Living well";
Else /*unhappy*/
    Output "Seek positive growth";
```

Why bad?

Reason: to add new levels, need to change the if-elseif block.
 That means existing code needs to be open for change.

Approach 2: Subclasses extend (inherit) superclass [Bad]



Why bad?

Reason: When happiness change, we need to *recreate* the person object (and update related links):

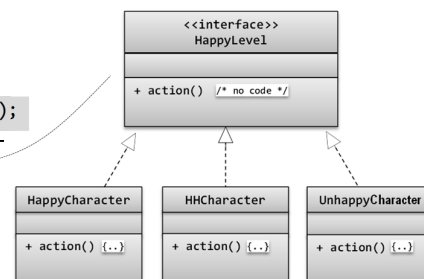
.. Manager m is previously unhappy
 m = new HappyPerson(); //to change
 company.changeManager(m); 🤖

State-Pattern approach [Good!]

An object can change its behavior by changing the class of its state: `person.setHappyLevel(new HappyCharacter());`

```
class Person
{
    private HappyLevel happyLevel;
    ... other fields: name, occupation..

    public void setHappyLevel(HappyLevel h) { happyLevel = h;}
    public void action() { happyLevel.action(); }
    ... other methods
}
```



Q1. Complete the given program which lists the messages for team contacts:

- Sample rundown (underlined contents are input by the user):

```
Please input the file pathname: m1.txt

There are 4 members in the team: Helena Peter Mary Paul

Messages for team contacts:
Dear Helena, please contact your teammates: Peter Mary Paul
Dear Peter, please contact your teammates: Helena Mary Paul
Dear Mary, please contact your teammates: Helena Peter Paul
Dear Paul, please contact your teammates: Helena Peter Mary
```

- Sample data file (first line is the number of members):

```
m1.txt
4
Helena
Peter
Mary
Paul
```

- Implementation of classes (Also see given code):

```
1. Member - Encapsulated private data:
    private String name;

    - Provide the public methods:
    public Member(String aName)
    public String getName()

2. Team - Encapsulated private data:
    private Member[] allMembers;

    - Provide the public methods:
    public Team(String filepathname) - constructor which gets member list from the file
    public int getMemberCount()
    public String getStringOfAllMembers()
    public void printTeamContactMessages()
```

Q2. Extend the program - create output based on the roles of the members: *normal member or leader*

- Sample rundown (underlined contents are input by the user):

```
Please input the file pathname: m2.txt

There are 4 members in the team: Helena Peter[Leader] Mary Paul

Messages for team contacts:
Dear Helena, Please contact your leader: Peter
Dear Peter, Please contact your members: Helena Mary Paul
Dear Mary, Please contact your leader: Peter
Dear Paul, Please contact your leader: Peter
```

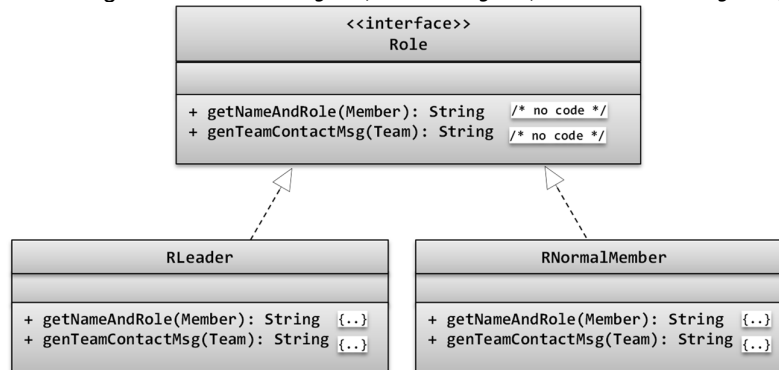
- Sample data file (Each name is followed by 'n'/'l': *normal member or leader*):

```
m2.txt
4
Helena n
Peter l
Mary n
Paul n
```

- Implementation (next page)

Implementation - Apply state-pattern approach:

(1) Add the following modules in `Role.java`, `RLeader.java`, `RNormalMember.java` (Also see given code):



(2) Change the original Classes:

1. Member - Encapsulated private data:

```
private String name;
private Role role;
```

- Public methods:

```
public Member(String aName, Role aState) {...}
public String getName() {...}
public Role getRole() {return role;}
public String getNameAndRole() {return role.getNameAndRole(this);}
```

Call the role's `getNameAndRole()` method to work out the the string like "Helena", "Peter[Leader]".

2. Team - Encapsulated private data:

See givenCode.txt

an array of Members

- Modify original methods:

```
public Team(String filepathname)
public int getMemberCount()
public String getStringOfAllMembers()
public void printTeamContactMessages()
```

Now need to handle the roles

Now use the members' `getNameAndRole()`

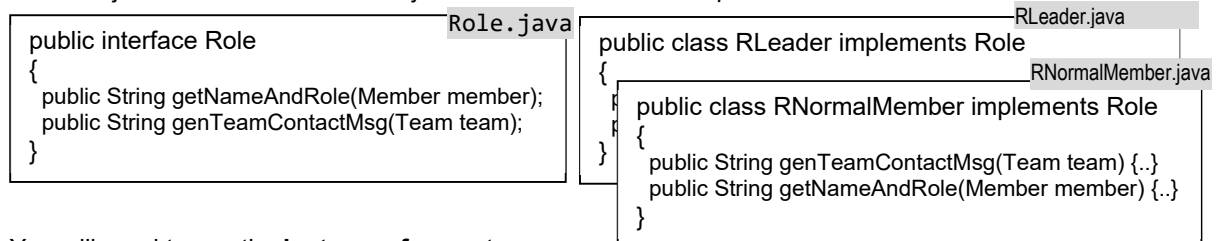
Now use the roles' `genTeamContactMsg()`

- Add new methods (used for role-specific messages)

```
public Member getLeader()
public String getStringOfNormalMembers()
```

Notes:

- `Role.java` contains the `Role` interface. An interface is just like a class, but no implementation code for methods.
- `RLeader.java` and `RNormalMember.java` : The classes which *implement* the `Role` interface



- You will need to use the **instanceof** operator :

It checks whether an object is an instance of a class.

E.g. `if (allMembers[i].getRole() instanceof RNormalMember)`

Submit your work to PASS. You can use a zip file (but `Main.java` should be separated):

H:\TestingLab05\src\src.zip

For Mac users: Please read the announcement about using online ZIP tools.

H:\TestingLab05\src\Main.java

Q3. Extend the program - Add the "Disappeared" Role

- Sample rundown (underlined contents are input by the user):

```
Please input the file pathname: m3.txt

There are 4 members in the team: Ann Daisy[Leader] Jack Joey[x]

Messages for team contacts:
Dear Ann, Please contact your leader: Daisy
Dear Daisy, Please contact your members: Ann Jack
Dear Jack, Please contact your leader: Daisy
Dear Joey, When you are back, please contact your leader: Daisy
```

- Sample data file
(Each name is followed by 'n'/'l'/'d': *normal member* or *leader* or *disappeared*):

```
M3.txt
4
Ann n
Daisy l
Jack n
Joey d
```

- Implementation:
 - (1) Add the RDisappeared class: `public class RDisappeared implements Role`
 - (2) Modify the original code where necessary.

Submit your work to PASS.

Lab06 - Progress

- I have seen the basic use of **State Pattern** in _____ (Q1 / Q2)
- In Q3, I have added the _____ (RDisappeared/RLeader/RNormalMember) class to model the new kind of role.

The previous classes (RLeader and RNormalMember) _____ (do not need / have) to change.
Therefore OCP is fulfilled:

[Review page 1]

An OOP principle: Open-closed Principle (OCP)

Modules should be _____ (open/close) for extension, but _____ (open/close) for modification

If OCP is applied well, then further changes can be done by _____ (adding new / changing old) code modules,
not by _____ (adding new / changing old) modules that already work.

- I've applied _____ (proper / improper ☺) formatting (**especially indentations**) in the programs.

Anything unclear? Ask!

Q4. [Homework] Rewrite the program - Change of the leader

- Sample rundown (underlined contents are input by the user):

```
Please input the file pathname: m3.txt
There are 4 members in the team: Ann Daisy[Leader] Jack Joey[x]
Enter new leader: Jack
Result: Ann Daisy Jack[Leader] Joey[x]
```

- Implementation:

(1) Add a `setRole` method in `Member.java`

(2) Add the following methods in `Team.java`

```
//Return the member with the given name
public Member findMember(String name) {...}
Note: please use .equals for comparing strings (Topic02 P.9)

//Change of leader
public void changeLeader(String newLeaderName) {...}
Note: change the roles like: originalLeader.setRole(new RNormalMember()); newLeader.setRole(new RLeader());
```

(3) Change `main()` according to the sample rundown.

- Submit your work to PASS.

Suggested practices: (a) use for-each loop, (b) use `ArrayList<Member>` instead of `Member[]`

Q5. [Homework] Rewrite the program for searching a member within some teams.p

- Sample rundown #1 (underlined contents are input by the user):

```
Please input the file pathname of each team: c:\m3.txt c:\m3a.txt c:\m3b.txt
Listing of teams:
[Team 1] 4 members: Ann Daisy[Leader] Jack Joey[x]
[Team 2] 5 members: Helena[x] Peter[x] Mary Paul Jacky[Leader]
[Team 3] 3 members: Amy Jane[Leader] Johnson[x]
Enter a name for searching: Helena
Result: Helena is a disappeared member in Team 2
```

Assume no space in each file pathname

Depend on the role, it should show "the leader", "a disappeared member", or "a normal member"

- Sample rundown #2 (underlined contents are input by the user):

```
Please input the file pathname of each team: c:\m3.txt c:\m3a.txt
Listing of teams:
[Team 1] 4 members: Ann Daisy[Leader] Jack Joey[x]
[Team 2] 5 members: Helena[x] Peter[x] Mary Paul Jacky[Leader]
Enter a name for searching: Johnson
Result: Not found
```

- Implementation:

(1) The user's input line of file pathnames may contain 1 or more files.

Therefore you need to use a loop to *extract each one* from *the string of the whole input line*

- Refer to "Reading input from another string" in Topic02 P.10; and the given code for Lab05Q6(a(ii))

(2) Store the teams in **an array list of teams**. (You may review `ArrayList` in Lab05 Page 2)

(3) Proper design to get the role description:

- Add the following public method in the **Member** class:

```
public String getRoleDescription() {return role.getRoleDescription();}
```

Also add such a method in **Role.java**, and implement it in **RLeader.java** etc., to return "the leader", "a disappeared member", or "a normal member"