

# AMSS Lecture 3: Design Patterns (I)

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MUCH LATER...

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DONE IT AGAIN,  
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# What Are Design Patterns?

## Definition

Reusable solutions to common software design problems.

## Origin

Popularized by the “Gang of Four” (Gamma, Helm, Johnson, Vlissides, 1994).

## Purpose

- ▶ Provide shared vocabulary
- ▶ Improve code maintainability
- ▶ Promote reusability and clarity

## Example

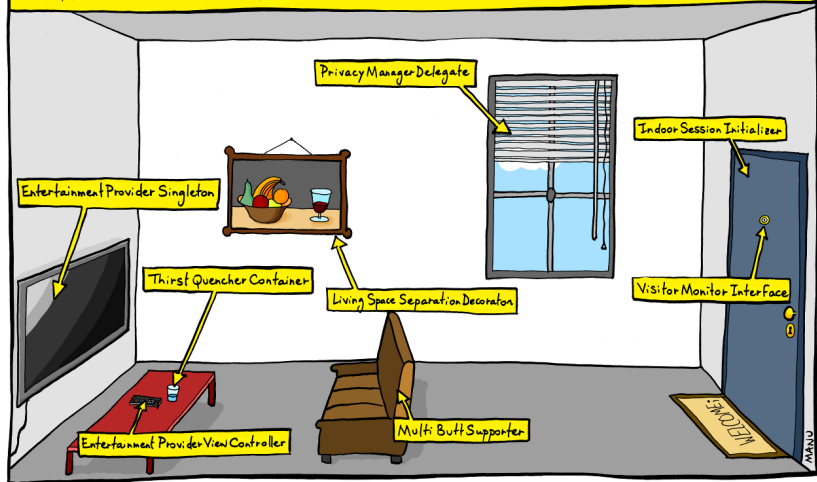
Instead of reinventing how to traverse a collection, we apply the **Iterator** pattern.

# Pattern Classification

Design patterns are typically grouped into three main categories:

Category	Description	Example Patterns
<b>Creational</b>	How objects are created	Singleton, Builder, Factory Method
<b>Structural</b>	How classes and objects are composed	Adapter, Bridge, Decorator
<b>Behavioral</b>	How objects interact and communicate	Iterator, Observer, State

# THE WORLD SEEN BY AN "OBJECT-ORIENTED" PROGRAMMER.



# Iterator Pattern

## Type

Behavioral pattern

## Intent

Provide a way to access elements of a collection sequentially without exposing its internal structure.

## Problem Solved

How to traverse a collection (e.g., list, tree, array) without knowing its implementation?

## Solution

Define an `Iterator` interface with methods like `hasNext()` and `next()`.



# Iterator Pattern code example

Source file

```
// Step 1: Create the Iterator interface
```

```
interface Iterator {  
    boolean hasNext();  
    Object next();  
}
```

```
// Step 2: Create the Container interface
```

```
interface Container {  
    Iterator getIterator();  
}
```

```
// Step 3: Create a concrete class implementing Container
```

```
class NameRepository implements Container {  
    private String[] names = {"Alice", "Bob", "Charlie", "I"}  
  
    @Override  
    public Iterator getIterator() {
```

# Iterator Pattern Exercise

## Exercise

Modify 3 lines in the example above to make the iterator a reverse iterator.

## Question

*How does this custom Iterator differ from Java's built-in `java.util.Iterator`, and when might you still implement your own?*

# Builder Pattern

## Type

Creational pattern

## Intent

Separate the construction of a complex object from its representation, so the same construction process can create different representations.

## Problem Solved

How can we construct complex objects step by step while keeping the construction logic separate from the representation?

## Solution

Use a *Builder* class to encapsulate object creation in multiple steps.

## Builder Pattern (concrete example)

Design a Computer class that represents a configurable computer system. The goal is to let users “build” a computer step-by-step, choosing which components to include. A computer may include:

- ▶ CPU (e.g., “Intel i9”, “AMD Ryzen 7”)
- ▶ GPU (e.g., “NVIDIA RTX 4090”, “AMD Radeon RX 7800”)
- ▶ RAM (in GB)
- ▶ Storage (in GB)

You should be able to build objects fluently, like this:

```
Computer gamingPC = new Computer.Builder()  
    .setCPU("Intel i9")  
    .setGPU("NVIDIA RTX 4090")  
    .setRAM(32)  
    .setStorage(2000)  
    .build();  
System.out.println(gamingPC);
```

# Builder Pattern (concrete example solution)

Source file

```
// Product class
```

```
class Computer {  
    private String CPU;  
    private String GPU;  
    private int RAM;  
    private int storage;
```

```
// Private constructor - use Builder instead
```

```
private Computer(Builder builder) {  
    this.CPU = builder.CPU;  
    this.GPU = builder.GPU;  
    this.RAM = builder.RAM;  
    this.storage = builder.storage;  
}
```

```
@Override
```

```
public String toString() {
```

## Bulder Pattern exercise

Design a Pizza class that represents a customizable pizza order, using the Builder Pattern. Your pizza should have:

- ▶ A size (e.g., Small, Medium, Large)
- ▶ A crust type (e.g., Thin, Thick, Stuffed)
- ▶ A list of toppings (e.g., Cheese, Pepperoni, Mushrooms)
- ▶ A flag for extra cheese

The goal is to make object creation flexible and readable, like this:

```
Pizza pizza = new Pizza.Builder()  
    .setSize("Large")  
    .setCrust("Stuffed")  
    .addTopping("Pepperoni")  
    .addTopping("Mushrooms")  
    .setExtraCheese(true)  
    .build();  
System.out.println(pizza);
```

# Singleton Pattern

## Type

Creational pattern

## Intent

Ensure a class has only one instance, and provide a global point of access to it.

## Problem Solved

How can we make sure there is exactly one instance of a class used throughout a system?

## Solution

- ▶ Make the constructor private
- ▶ Store a static instance reference
- ▶ Provide a static accessor

## Singleton Pattern (concrete example)

Implement a `DatabaseConnection` class that simulates a single, shared connection to a database.

The program should ensure that:

- ▶ Only one instance of the connection is ever created.
- ▶ Any part of the program that requests a connection gets the same instance.

### Example use

```
DatabaseConnection conn1 = DatabaseConnection.getInstance();
```

```
DatabaseConnection conn2 = DatabaseConnection.getInstance();
```

```
conn1.query("SELECT * FROM users");
```

```
System.out.println(conn1 == conn2); // should print true
```



# Singleton Pattern (concrete example solution)

Source file

```
// Singleton class
```

```
class DatabaseConnection {
```

```
// Step 1: Create a private static instance of the class
```

```
private static DatabaseConnection instance;
```

```
// Step 2: Make the constructor private to prevent instantiation
```

```
private DatabaseConnection() {
```

```
    System.out.println("Connecting to the database...")
```

```
}
```

```
// Step 3: Provide a public static method to get the singleton instance
```

```
public static DatabaseConnection getInstance() {
```

```
    if (instance == null) {
```

```
        instance = new DatabaseConnection();
```

```
    }
```

```
    return instance;
```

```
}
```

## Singleton Pattern exercise

Implement a Logger for a simple application. Only one instance of this class should ever exist, and all parts of the program should share it.

### Example use

```
Logger logger1 = Logger.getInstance();
```

```
Logger logger2 = Logger.getInstance();
```

```
logger1.log("Starting the app...");
```

```
logger2.log("App is running.");
```

```
// Both should refer to the same instance
```

```
System.out.println(logger1 == logger2); // true
```

### Expected output

```
Logger initialized.
```

```
[LOG]: Starting the app...
```

```
[LOG]: App is running.
```

```
true
```