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## What is API?

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- It is an application package used to create a generic design
  - o Through remote
    - Like REST
  - o Or offline access

- It is an interfaceTo get data
- To fetch the data for your application.

 To establish communication between two independent application or entities like libraries or service provider.

LibraryFramework

API

• Means to interact with other application.

#### Application

- Application Collection of libraries
  - Using the libraries.
  - Is a complete solution for performing specific task

#### Library

- Collection of Framework
- Set of related functionalities
- A reusable collection of functionalities.
  - Not a complete solution.
  - They are helpers
- Smallest unit of reuse.
- Any function/class you write is a library.
- Typically a user defined code invokes the library.

#### Framework

- Structure to develop an application
- Contains generic elements of the solution
- Specialized using user defined codes.
- Framework invokes user defined code
  - Reverse of how you use

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- Framework invokes user defined code
  - Reverse of how you use library.

## Quiz

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You are driving on ITPL road on a busy morning and someone asks

## What are you doing?

- 1. I am burning the fuel
  - When we press accclerator it creates cumbtion
- 2. I am driving. Following the traffic rules and maps.
  - Learning to drive
- 3. I am going to the office for work
- 4. I am going to office for work.
  - Work from Home.
- 4. You didn't stop, just moved on.

## What is a program?

• A set of instructions to perform a task.

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## **OO** Fundamentals

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#### Abstraction?

- Hiding Data?
- Conceptual representation of an idea.
- Showing only the needful things.
- Giving the output without showing the process.

It is meaningless unless we know why we are binding

## **Encapsulation?**

- Binding data and methods together.
- Applies cohession
  - o Incidental/illogical
  - o Temporal
    - Things work at same time
    - May still be unrealated
  - Hierarchial
    - Of same class hirarchy
    - Often mutually exclusive
  - Functional
    - The real Why
- Forms a unit of Responsibility
  - Only a responsible design can be effectively reusable.
  - o It is a unit of reuse

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- What is the relationship between a Car and a Taxi.
  - Create necessary classes and programming element (class, function, interface) to depict the relationship

```
interface Vehicle
{
    void Move();
}

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Represents "Is A"

class Car: Vehicle

public void Move(){...}
}
```

#### Solution A

```
class Taxi : Car
{
}
```

Car hondaCity= new Car();

Taxi taxi = new Taxi();

#### Problem:

- No company manufactures Taxi
- Taxi may not always be a Car. It may be
  - o Bike
  - o Halicoptor
- When I talk about Car, which car?

#### Solution B

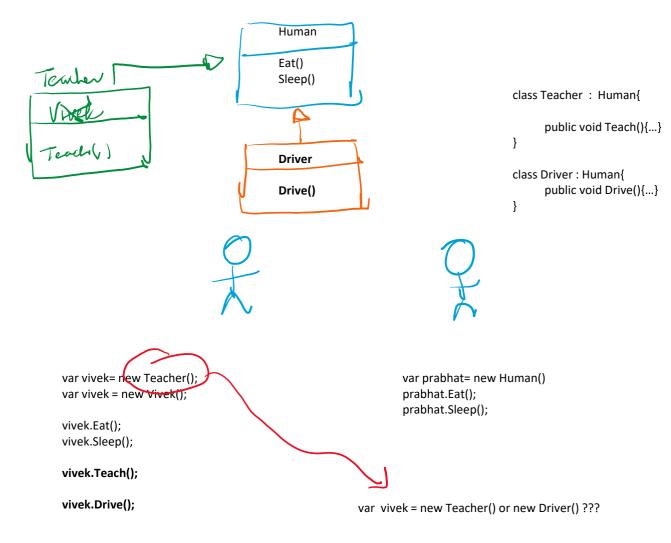
```
class Veichle{
            public string Type; //private or taxi
}
class Car : Veichle{
}
class Bike: Veichle{
}
var car1 = new Car("private");
var taxi1 = new Car("taxi");
var bike=new Bike("private");
var taxi2 = new Bike("taxi");
```

### Advantage

- Has A model
- · More Realistic.

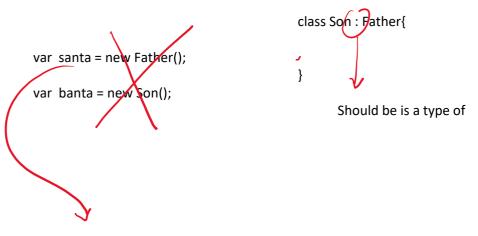
### Disadvantage

- Enum/string merges multiple codes in the same functionality
- Nested if-else



# Parent-Child Relationship

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How will banta inherit Santa's bank balance?

```
var santa = new Person();
var banta = new Person();
bank.Transfer(santa.BankAccount, banta.BankAccount, amount, password);
banta.Dna.Inherit(santa.Dna)
```

## Inheritance is NOT Parent-Child Relationship.

- Realworld inheritance is between two Objects
  - o These objects are often of the same type.
  - o It is more give and take.
- In OO, inheritance is between two classes
  - o They do not represent parent-child
  - They represent is-a-type-of

## Inheritance And Reuse

```
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```

var vivek = new Employee();

```
class Crow{
                                                                       class CrowEgg
      public Egg LayEgg(){return new CrowEgg(); }
                                                                          object Hatch(){
      public void Fly(){...}
                                                                             return Crow();
      public Color Color{get{return Color.black; } }
}
class Parrot: Crow
  public override Color Color { get{return Color.green;}}
}
                                                                                       Solution
                                                                                       public override Egg LayEgg(){
[Test]
                                                                                             return new ParrotEgg();
public void CrowsAreBlack()
   Crow crow = new Parrot(); //parrot is a type of Crow

    This works.

    But what is point of inheritance if we need to override

   Assert.Equal( Color.black, crow.Color); //crow is green
                                                                                                • We lost reuse?
}
[Test]
public void ParrotBabiesAreParrot()
                                                                                              • We have inherited LayEgg but not overridden it
                                                                                                   o It will return a Crow's egg (implementation)
   Parrot parrot=new Parrot();

    Will hatch to a Crow Object

   object baby = parrot.LayEgg().Hatch();
   Assert.That( baby is Parrot );
}
                                       Employee
        Programmer
                                       ProjectManager
                                                                           Accountant
```

# Inheritance Summary

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- Inheritance is a class-to-class relationship
  - o Class-to-class relationship is static and at design time
  - o It doesn't model parent-child relationship
- It shouldn't be used for reusability
  - o Static and non-scalable design.
- It shouldn't model a parent-child relationship
  - o .In the real world inheritance is between two objects
    - In programming it is between to classes
      - □ Class and objects are not same.
- INHERIT ONLY IF THERE EXISTS A RELATIONSHIP
  - o IS A TYPE OF
  - o AN HIERARCHY
- DO NOT USE INHERITANCE FOR
  - REUSE
  - o FOR RELATIONSHIPS LIKE
    - PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP
    - HAS A
    - IS LIKE A
    - IS SIMILAR TO
    - WORKS TOGETHER

# Law of OO Design

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## Prefer "Has A" (composition) over "Is A" (inheritance)

- "Is a" static relationship; "Has a" is a dynamic relationship
  - You can change whatever you have
    - You can choose not to have
      - □ If I have a cellphone
        - ◆ I can change it
        - ◆ I can decide not to have it
  - You can't change who you are "Is A"
    - You can't change the fact that you are a human
- "Is a" is non-scalable; "Has A" is scalable
  - o If I have a cellphone, I can have two or three
  - o I can't be two times human being.

## Try to change "Is A" relationship in your design to "Has A" relationship.

- "vivek" is an Employee
   Attempt #1
   vivek "has an" Employee
   It is not same.
   Meaning changes.
   Attemp #2
   Vivek "has an" Employement
   You may need to change the design.
   Advantage?
   Vivek can choose to
   Change the job: vivek.Employement = new SelfEmployment();
   Leave the job: vivek.Employement=null;
- If vivek is an Employee
  - He can be a one time employee
- If Vivek has an employement
  - o He can have multiple Employements

```
Class _____{

//Employement Employeent;

List<Employement> Employements;
}
```

## **Reuse Using Inheritance**

- We can reuse using inheritance
  - o It works!
    - But slum houses also work.
- What is the problem?
  - o Bad Relationship
    - Game is not a List
  - o What if I need more than one list
    - List of Scores
    - List of Players
    - List of Moves

Class Game : List<Score>{

## Has A for Resuse

- Encapsulate to reuse.
- Think Reuse, think encapsulation
- Dynamic, Scalable

## **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

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• They are fundamental best practices in a software design.

## 1. Open-Close Principle

	Ultimate goal of a software design! Your design should be
•	Open
	<ul><li>Extension</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>New Feature (Additional new feature)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Modify Existing Feature</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Delete Existing Feature</li> </ul>
	Why?
	<ul> <li>Requirement changes over a period of time</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Our design should be ready to accommodate future changes</li> </ul>
	◆ Future Proof!
	○ Close
	<ul><li>Modification</li></ul>
	At the source code level!
	□ DON'T MEND IT IF NOT BROKEN
	Why?
	<ul> <li>Change triggers a cycle of</li> </ul>
	◆ Test
	◆ Deploy
	◆ Distribute
	<ul> <li>Change may induce new Bugs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>A change may not be acceptable to all stakeholders.</li> </ul>

- How?
  - o All changes should be additive.
    - To add new feature write new code
    - To modify existing feature write new code

• It may be a matter of choice.

- To delete existing feature write new code
- o 100% OCP is not feasible
  - Often not desirable.
  - Idea is to reduce the surface area of change
    - □ Changes should be minimal
    - □ Shouldn't have ripple effects.

## 2. Single Responsibility Principle

<ul> <li>You code (component, function, object) should have a single responsibility</li> <li>One Reason to Exist</li> <li>One Reason to change.</li> <li>Theoretically closed for all except one reason!</li> <li>Practially most of the time such codes are completely closed. (follows 100% OCP)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>One Responsible &lt;&gt; One Function per class.</li> <li>○ It certainly means few related functions</li> <li>■ A Printer</li> <li>□ should have</li> <li>◆ Print()</li> <li>◆ Eject()</li> <li>◆ Cancel()</li> <li>□ Shouldn't have</li> <li>◆ Scan()</li> <li>◆ Printers! Don't scan!</li> </ul>
■ A Car  □ should have  ◆ Start  ◆ Turn  ◆ Move  ◆ Stop  □ Shouldn't have  ◆ Drive  ◆ Cars don't drive themselves.
How do we achieve SRP?  1. Meaningful Names
<ul> <li>Meaningful Names</li> <li>Your class, methods, objects should have meaningful name</li> <li>Name=&gt;responsibility <ul> <li>If name is not clear we can't enforce SRP?</li> </ul> </li> <li>Can <ul> <li>Bird Fly?</li> <li>Yes</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fish Fly?</li> <li>No</li> <li>Foo do Bar?</li> <li>We don't know what is foo and bar</li> <li>Can't know if it is a right model</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>2. Avoid composite names joined by And/Or</li> <li>IncomeAndSalesTaxCalculator</li> <li>Responsible for</li> <li>Income Tax</li> <li>Sales Tax</li> <li>InsertOrUpdate</li> <li>Responsible for</li> <li>Insert</li> <li>Update</li> <li>CreateAndAdd</li> </ul>

- Creates and adds
- Can't create for future additional
- Can't add existing object

#### 3. Avoid Abstract name for a concrete class

- TaxCalculator
  - Still calculating Income and Sales Tax
- Save
  - Still using insert / delete

#### 4. Most methods should use most field most of the time

- Shouldn't have mutually exclusive/option fields
- Shouldn't have fields/parameters are always null in a given scenario.

## 3. DRY (Don't Repeat Yourself)

- Redundant code MUST be avoided
- It suggests same responsibility (task) is listed at multiple places
  - No clear responsibility definition.
  - When that code need to change, it must be changed at multiple places.
- More problematic in case of partial redundancy.

#### Solution: Two Step Solution

- 1. Encapsulate Whatever Repeats
  - Create class and function to encapsulate redundant code (steps)
    - It may have some gaps where code is specific to the scenario.
      - □ Parameterize if change is just data
- 2. Abstract whatever Changes
  - Implementation would be a specific use case
  - Parameterize the repeating code with an abstract element

## Assignment #2

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• Create a simple Calculator

Use Case:

# Simple Test for Calcualtor var calculator = new Calculator();

```
calculator.Calculate( 20, "plus", 30);
```

calculator.Calculate(20, plus, 30); calculator.Calculate(20, "minus", 4); calculator.Calculator(20, "foo", 5);

• You shouldn't change the method signature

//expected output

```
20 plus 30 = 50
20 minus 4 = 16
Invalid Operator: foo
```

- Create a Application to take user input and provide result
- Should work in two modes

#### Command Line Argument Driven

```
c:\project>calculator plus 20 30
20 plus 30 = 50
```

#### Shell Input (User Input) Driven

```
c:\project> calculator
> help
Plus, minus, multiply, divide, exit
> plus 20 30
20 plus 30 = 50
>minus 4 4
4 minus 4 = 0
>exit
```

c:\>

### **Expected Result**

```
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> plus 20 30
20 plus 30 = 50
> divide 4 5
4 divide 5 = 0.8
> mod 8 3
Invalid operator: mod
> help
plus, minus, multiply, help, exit
> exit
Thanks for using the Calculator
```

#### Version #1

#### Redundant Code

- What if tomorrow we need a different formatting for the result?
- We need to change at n Places.

#### Solution: DRY

**DRY Resolved** 

• Check out in **Design Principles** 

#### Version #2

```
double result = double.NaN;
switch (oper.ToLower())
    case "plus":
       result = number1 + number2;
       break;
    case "minus":
       result = number1 - number2;
       break:
    case "multiply":
       result = number1 * number2;
        break:
    default:
       break;
if (result == double.NaN)
    Console.WriteLine($"Invalid operator: {oper}");
else
    Console.WriteLine($"{number1} {oper} {number2} = {result}");
```

#### But it still violates SRP

- Typically, all switch-case and if-else ladder violates SRP (and in turn OCP)
- Avoid them

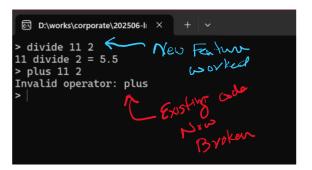
## Why OCP violation is BAD?

- Check out Design Principles nodes for more details
- In this case a new code may introduce breaking changes

```
public void Calculate(double number1, string oper, double number2)
{
    double result = double.NaN;
    if (oper == "plus")
        result = number1 + number2;
    else if (oper == "minus")
        result = number1 - number2;
    else if (oper == "multiply")
        result = number1 * number2;
    if(oper=="divide")
        result = number1 / number2;
    else
        result = double.NaN;

if (double.IsNaN(result))
        Console.WriteLine($"Invalid operator: {oper}");
    else

Console.WriteLine($"{number1} {oper} {number2} = {result}");
}
```



## Switch Case

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```
void DoJob ( Context context) {
                                             • There is a Job (doJob)
     switch(context){
                                                  • That has multiple implementation (Forms)
                                                       JobA
          case context.A:
                                                       JobB
               DoJobA();
                break;
                                                       JobC
          case context.B:

    Form varies based on context

                DoJobB();
               break;
                                              Explanation 2
          default:
                                                  One Name (DoJob)
                DoDefaultJob();

    Many Forms (DoJobA, DoJobB, DoJobC)

                break;

    Varies on context

     }
}
                                          Is this polymorphism?

    NO

                                             • It is avoiding polymorphism
  • Three different responsibilities
```

- for three different context
- They are merged together
- Violates SRP
  - Mutually exclusive code blocks

Switch case to Polymorphism

```
void DoJob ( Context context) {
     switch(context){

    Interface IJob

          case context.A:
                                                                  Implemented by
               new JobA().<del>DoJob();</del>
                                                                        JobA
               break;
                                                                          JobB
          case context.B:
               new JobB().<del>DoJob();</del>
                                                                        DefaultJob
               break;
          default:
               new DefaultJob().DoJob();
               break;
```

```
}
```

# POLYMORPHISM REPLACES CASE BODY NOT case selection

- Polymorphism is not a complete replacement switch case
- It replaces what we do in different cases
- It can't decide which case to execute
  - o It doesn't include switching (selection) logic

# What can really replace switch or nested if-else

- There are two patterns to use
  - o Chain Of Responsibility
    - Use for-if loop
  - Use a Dictionary to replace switch case
    - Key —> case

# Polymorphism?

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## What is polymorphism

• One name many forms

## How to achieve Polymorphism?

- Overloading
- Overriding

```
class ParkerPen
{
      public void Use( Hand hand){
            Console.WriteLine("writing")
      }
      public void Use(Pocket pocket){
            Console.WriteLine("status")
      }
}
public void TestPen(){
      var p= new ParkerPen();
      var context= GetHandOrPocket(); //assume it returns pocket
      if( context is Hand)
            p.Use(context as Hand)
      else if(context is Pocket)
            p.Use(context as Pocket);
}
```

## Creating API

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### **API** Design

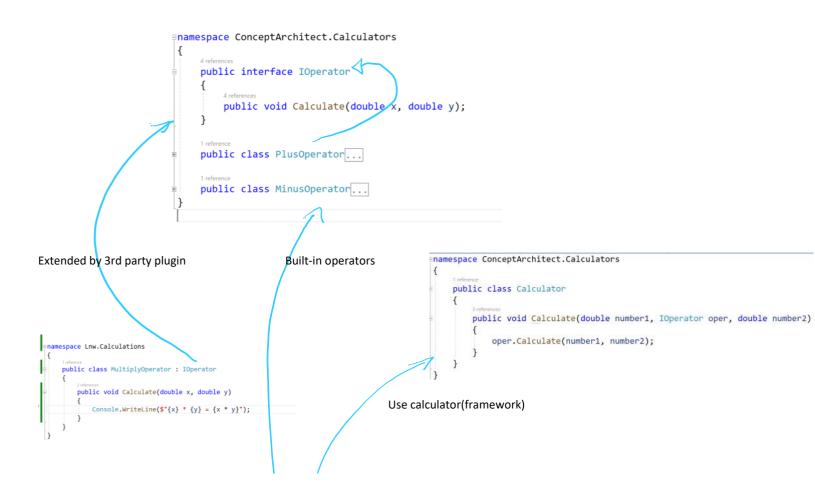
#### Two essential Elements

#### 1. Framework

- Includes common/generic functionalities that defines the core of the system.
- Exposes public interfaces (or contracts) to create new functionality that can work with the framework
  - o This enables OCP
- Should have ability to **plugin** new capabilities dynamically without modifying the framework.

#### 2. API Implementation (Extension/Plugin)

- Implements the API (interface) for the enhanced capabilities.
- Can be done internally (same organisation) or at the community level
  - o Community contribution is NOT core or MUST for API
    - It may be for internal use cases only
- The functionalities are expected to work under the control of framework and not stand alone
- We don't call framework
  - o The framework calls my logic
    - This is also known as Inversion of Control



## Key design elements

- 1. Calculator exposes an interface (Dependency Inversion Principle)
  - It doesn't know the exact operation.
- 2. Each operation is independent and Singly Responsible
  - They are not directly related or connected
  - This allows us to add new features without changing existing design.
- 3. This is different from original design

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# How do I use the calculator with Console Application (command line / Shell)

- When we using Console.ReadLine() we read a String
  - String can't be converted to a new Object creation easily

## How do we input the operation (string)

## **Dictionary of Operations**

• It's a generic pattern to replace switch case in your code.



- We have 2 hard coded operators
- Framework doesn't give provision to expand and introduce new plugins
  - No Dependency Injection option provided.

## Solution

```
public class Calculator
{
    Dictionary<string,IOperator> operators= new Dictionary<string,IOperator>();
    Inderence    public Calculator()
    {
        operators.Add("plus", new PlusOperator());
        operators.Add("minus", new MinusOperator());
    }
    public void AddOperator(string name, IOperator oper)
    {
        operators[name.ToLower()] = oper;
    }
    public void Calculate(double number1, string operatorName, double number2)...
}
```

# Assignment 2.1

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- Take the code for GIT Hub
- Introduce the formatting and display option
- Make sure I should be able to use
  - different styles of formatting
  - o Different architecture
    - Console
    - GUI
  - o Display Error and Results differently

#### Phase 2

- Currently for every operator we need to
  - Create a class
  - o Implement interface
  - o Write the logic
- But the interface has a single method
- Can we replace this interface with a delegate.
- The Calculator should continue to work with current operators
  - o Calculator should work with operators that are either interface or delegate

## Assignment 2.2

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#### Create a CLI Framework

## It should support

1. Command Line Argument Mode

```
d:\> cli book-list
d:\> cli find-book author=vivek
d:\> cli export-books books.json
```

2. Shell Mode (Interactive mode

```
d:\> cli
> help
book-list find-book export-books add-book remove-book
> help export-books
Exports books in a given format based on file extension
export-book books.json
> remove-book rashmirathi
> exit
```

## The Exact commands should be added as a plugin model

- CLI should be able to run different commands that are added to the CLI
- Each command will have
  - One or more names (like alias)
    - book-list get-all-books books
  - o Help Text to explain what this command does
  - The command may take as many parameter as it needs
  - o If command returns something it should be displayed
  - Command may be async or synchronous

```
void Main(string []args){
   Cli app = new Cli();
   app.AddCommand(new BookListCommand())
   app.AddCommand(new BookDeleteCommand());
```

```
app.Run(args);
}
```

# Assignment 2.3

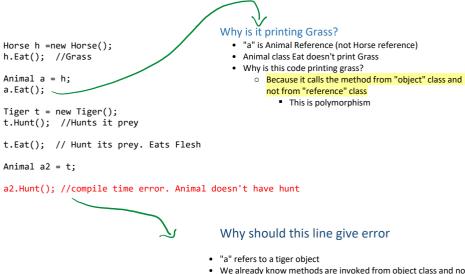
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# Create a switch-case API that can be used in place of traditional switch case statement.

- It should eliminate the basic problems of switch case like
- Should by dynamic.

#### **Animal Hierarchy**

```
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```

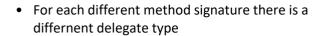


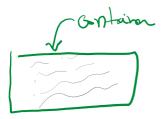
- We already know methods are invoked from object class and not from reference class
- Tiger object has hunt.
- So why should this line give error
- Here Hunt is (indirectly) called using Animal reference
  - Technically it is possible to call hunt using Animal reference

# Delegate?

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- Delegates are Objects
- The are containers for a method
- Once they wrap a method they can be used just like mehthod.
- But now you can also
  - Refer (Store) this object using a variable
  - Can add this object to an array/list/dictionary







## How Function and Delegate Signature Match

• To refer to a function like one below

void Welcome(string name){
}

• We create a delegate type

delegate void Greeter(string name)

## **Important Note**

- Here Greeter is not a function reference or pointer or variable.
- Internally Greeter is a class
- This is a shortcut for autogenerating a class like one below

```
public class Greeter : MulticastDelegate{
    public void Invoke( string name ){
        //some logic that will call your function here
    }
    //more code here
}
```

## To Refer to the function we need a Object of type Greeter

#### Greeter g1= new Greeter( Welcome );

## Now we can use "g1" that contains Welcome function as Welcome

```
g1.Invoke("LNW"); //internally calls Welcome("LNW");
```

## Greeter object doesn't work only with Welcome

• It can work with any function that matches the same signature like

```
void GoodBye(string name){}
void Wish(string xyz) { }
void PerformComplexOperation(string operationName) {}
```

• But it can't work with functions that don't match signature

```
void Greet( string name1, string name2) {...} //two parameter
string GetGreetingMessage(string name) {} //non void return type
```

## Simplified Delegate Signature

Auto Boxing of a method to Delegate

```
Greeter g2 = GoodBye; //same as new Greeter(GoodBye)
```

#### Implicit Invoke call

• You can invoke a delegate as if it is a function

```
g2.Invoke("Lnw"); // same as g2.Invoke("lnw") => GoodBye("Lnw")
```

## What does Delegate Signature include (and not include)

```
delegate void Greeter( string name );
```

#### What does this signature include?

- The function returns void
- The function takes a string argument
- Extra Information
  - The name of this argument may be "name"

### Not compulsary

## What does this signature doesn't include?

- Implementation details (body)
  - Function can do anything under given constraint of parameter type and return type.
- Method Name
  - The function can have any name
    - Welcome
    - GoodBye
    - DeleteUserById
- Class Name
  - o This function can belong to any class
- Scope
  - This function can any scope
    - Public
    - Private
    - Static
    - Non-static

#### What does this Code Mean?

```
interface IBinaryOperator{
    double Calculate( double x, double y)
}
```

- It will represent an Object
  - That can be of any class
    - Name doesn't matter
      - □ PlusOperator
      - MinusOperator
      - □ ...
  - o But it must
    - Implement IBinaryOperator
    - Must have a function
      - called Calculate
        - ◆ You can't change this name
      - $\hfill\Box$  Should be
        - ◆ public
        - ◆ Non-static
      - □ Concern
        - ◆ There can only one function matching this signature in a class
        - For each different implementation we need a different class

delegate double BinaryOperator(double x, double)

- It represents an Object
  - That contains a function
    - That MUST match the same signature
- What doesn't matter
  - o Class Name
    - PlusOperator
    - MinusOperator
  - o Function Name
    - It can be any name need not be Calculate
      - □ Plus
      - □ Minus
      - □ Multiply
      - □ ...
  - Scope of the funciton
    - Private
    - Public
    - Static
    - Non-static
- Advantage
  - o Multiple matching functions can be present in same class
  - o No interface implementation required.
    - You can use existing codes if signature matches.
      - □ Math.Power

# Built-in Generic Delegate Types

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- C# provides some built-in generic delgate types that we can use instead of creating our own
- There are two families of such delegates

## **Action Delegates**

They are delegates that take 0 or more parameters and returns nothing

User defined Example	Action version
delegate void Job(); Job j= DoSomething;	delegate void Action() Action a = DoSomething;
delegate void OneIntArg(int x); OneIntArg x = PrintTable	Action <t> Action<int> x = PrintTable</int></t>
delegate void TwoArg(int x, string y); TwoArg x = SomeFunction	Action <a,b> Action<int,string> x = SomeFunction</int,string></a,b>
	delegate void Job(); Job j= DoSomething; delegate void OneIntArg(int x); OneIntArg x = PrintTable delegate void TwoArg(int x, string y);

• There are 18 overloaded types that can take from 0 to 17 parameter

## **Func Delegate**

- They are functions that can take 0 or parameter and return a value.
- Note return type is always mentioned at the end
- There are again 18 overloads.

What we need	User Define Example	Func version
A function that takes nothing and returns an int	delegate int GetValue() GetValue v= GetRandomValue	Func <int> v = GetRandomValue;</int>
A function that takes an int and returns a bool	delegate bool IntChecker() IntChecker c = IsPrime	Func <int,bool> v = IsPrime</int,bool>
A function that takes two int and returns a string	delegate string Del(int a, int b)	Func <int,int,string> v =CallSumFun</int,int,string>
	Del d = CallSomeFunc	

## Calculator supporting both inerface and delegate operators

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- Currently calculator takes only interface
- · It can' work with
  - o Delegate
  - o Object that have same functionality but doesn't implement interface

#### Adapter Design Pattern

- It translates the contract (interface)
- Useful an object has functionality but doesn't match the interface requirement

#### **Problem**

- My current design works with IOperator interface
  - o It can work with only those objects that implements IOperator
- I have many built-in functions like Math.pow that can't support loperator
  - o They are operations that can't work for my framework

#### Solution: Adapter

- Create a single Object that implements loperator
  - This object can be easily used with my Calcualtor
    - Calculator or application need not change
- It should wrap delegate as a parameter
- When user calls Calculate it internally calls delegate

```
public delegate double BinaryOperator(double x, double y);

1 reference
public class FunctionAdapter : IOperator
{
    BinaryOperator target;

    Oreferences
    public FunctionAdapter(BinaryOperator target)
    {
        this.target = target;
    }
    2 references
    public double Calculate(double x, double y)
    {
        return target(x, y);
    }
}
```

# Reflection

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Object	Property	Behavior	Code
employee	<ul><li>Id</li><li>Name</li><li>Email</li><li>Phone</li><li>Salary</li></ul>	• Work	class Employee{     int id;     string name;     double salary;     short workingHours;  public void Work(){}
tiger	<ul><li>Age</li><li>Weight</li><li>Name</li></ul>	• Eat() • Hunt() • Move()	<pre>class Tiger : Animal{     public void Hunt(){     } }</pre>
class	<ul> <li>Name</li> <li>Fields</li> <li>Methods</li> <li>Properties</li> <li>Constructors</li> <li>Namespace</li> <li>BaseClass</li> <li>Interfaces</li> <li>Scope</li> </ul>	• createObject	<pre>class Type {     string name;     string namespace;     MethodInfo[] methods;      public object CreateObject(); }</pre>
method	<ul><li>Name</li><li>Return type</li><li>Parameters</li><li>Scope</li><li>Defining class</li></ul>	• Invoke	Class MethodInfo {     string name;      public void Invoke(); }

# Reflection

- Reflection is a set of classes that helps us identify (and use) programming elements at runtime without knowing their exact names
- Programming element may mean
  - $\circ \quad \text{Types like class, interface, struct, enum} \\$
  - Methods
  - o Fields
  - o Parameters
  - o Constructors
- Reflection will allow to
  - o Access information related to those elements like
    - Type
      - . □ Name
      - □ Namespace
      - □ Methods
      - □ Fields
      - □ Constructors

	<ul><li>Meth</li></ul>	od		
		Name		
		Return type		
		Parameters		
		Scope		
	<ul><li>Field</li></ul>			
		Name		
		Туре		
		Defining class		
С	Use that particular type programmetically			
	<ul><li>Type</li></ul>			
		You can create an object		
	<ul><li>Meth</li></ul>	od		
		You can invoke the method		
	<ul><li>Field/</li></ul>	Property		

□ You can get or set values

# Plugin Discovery

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# What we are currently doing.

- Various different operators may be present in different assemblies
  - ConceptArchitect.Calculators (core library)
  - o CalculatorApp (My main application)
  - Lnw.Calculations (third party library)
  - Lnt.Operations (another third party library)
- In the application project I need to add the project reference
  - If tomorrow we have more operators from another source
    - We will need to add them as references
    - We will need to
      - □ Recompile
      - □ Redistribute full application

•

- In (Main)
  - o we need to manually add different operators to the calculator
    - calc.AddOperator(new MultiplyOperator(), "multiply");
  - o If we need to add a new operator
    - We need to change main function
    - We will need to
      - □ Recompile
      - □ redistribute

### What we want

- Various different Operators can come from different assemblies (dll files)
- Main Application will be compiled only with core library
  - No third party library reference added
- Any new feature (plugin) will be compiled as a separate dll
  - We don't need to compile main application
- We will copy the new feature.dll into a folder called plugins
- Calculator app while starting will automatically
  - Search all the available dll
  - Load them in memory
  - Search them for any IOperator present
  - Automatically add them to the calculator

# [CalculatorBinary]

- Calculator.exe
- ConceptArchitect.Calculators.dll
- [plugins] <—— files are just dropped here. They will be read automatically
  - Lnw.Calculations
  - Lnt.TrigonometryLibrary

# **Attributes**

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- Attributes are like meta Information (additional information) that we can attach to our programming elements like
  - o Type
  - Method
  - o Field
  - o Parameter
- They are actually Objects that can have
  - o Fields
  - o Properties
  - Behaviors
- They can be attached to an element like example below

```
[Hunter]
class Tiger{

}
class Cow{
       [SpecialBehavior]
       public string ProvideMilk(){
       }
}

[Operator( Name="Permutation", Alias="per,p", Help="Calculates Permutation of two numbers")]
class PermutationOperator : IOperator{
}
```

### How do we create these attributes

- We create a class that
  - o Must inherit Attribute class
  - Should have an Attribute suffix

```
3 references
public class ArithmeticOperatorAttribute : Attribute
{
}
```

• Now we can apply it to any programming element

• Note we don't need to write Attribute suffix when adding attribute

```
[ArithmeticOperator]
O references
public class PermutationOperator : IOperator
{
    [ArithmeticOperator]
    int x;

    [ArithmeticOperator]
2 references
    public double Calculate(double n, double r)
    {
        return MathFormulas.Factorial((int)n) / MathFormulas.Factorial((int)(n - r));
    }
}
```

- Problem
  - We can apply it to anything
  - We want to apply it only to classes or methods but not to fields

```
[AttributeUsage(AttributeTargets.Class|AttributeTargets.Method)]

3 references
public class ArithmeticOperatorAttribute : Attribute
{
}
```

• Now I can't apply it to a field

```
[ArithmeticOperator]
0 references
public class PermutationOperator : IOperator
{
    [ArithmeticOperator]
    int x;

    [ArithmeticOperator]
    2 references
    public double Calculate(double n, double r)
    {
        return MathFormulas.Factorial((int)n) / MathFormulas.Factorial((int)(n - r));
    }
}
```

# What happens when we apply an attribute

- NOTHING
  - o They are like dead objects

- o They sit and do nothing
- We can access and use the attribute objects only using reflection

var arithemticOperator = type.GetCustomAttribute()

# Logger

```
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```

# What is Unit Testing?

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- Testing the smallest unit of code to ensure it is working as expected.
- It is NOT a functional test that the QA Team performs
- It is a code-level test that the developer must perform
- The goal of the test is to uncover bugs related to
  - o Logic
  - Data Integrity
  - o Application Flow
- We traditionally do these tests based on a console based application

# Problems with console based Application

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#### 1. Output is for human eyes.

```
var a1 = new BankAccount(1, "Vivek", "p@ss", 20000);

    Perhaps withdraw didn't happen

                                                                                          O But why?
a1.Show();
                                                                                               Wrong password?
a1.Deposit(2000);
a1.Withdraw(35000, "password");
                                                                                               Wrong amount?
a1.CreditInterest();
a1.Show();
Account: 1
                  Name=Vivek
                                     Balance=20000
Account: 1
                  Name=Vivek
                                     Balance=22220
```

- Note:
  - o In the output, there is absolutely no clue as to what the ideal result his ere.
  - o The computer can't check this result.
  - We must manually calculate it the result is correct.

### 2. Final Output is composite of multiple Operation

- Each operation may influence each other.
- If result is unexpected we may not know who is the culprit

```
Account: 1 Name=Vivek Balance=20000
Account: 1 Name=Vivek Balance=22000
Account: 1 Name=Vivek Balance=22000
Account: 1 Name=Vivek Balance=22000
Account: 1 Name=Vivek Balance=22220
```

How do I know what was supposed to be the ideal value here?

3. Let's try to create proper Test Helper to organize the code.

```
Alectrons
static void TestWithdraw(BankAccount a, double amount, string password, bool expectedResult, string testMessage)
{
    var actaulResult = a.Withdraw(amount, password);
    if (actaulResult == expectedResult)
    {
        Console.ForegroundColor = ConsoleColor.Green;
        Console.WriteLine($"PASSED:\t{testMessage}");
    }
    else
    {
        Console.ForegroundColor = ConsoleColor.Red;
        Console.WriteLine($"Failed:\t{testMessage}\n\texpected={expectedResult}\tActual={actaulResult}");
    }
    Console.ResetColor();
}
```

```
PASSED: Can Deposit Postive Amount
PASSED: Can't Deposit Negative Amount
PASSED: Can't Withdraw Negative Amount
Failed: Can't withdraw more than balance
expected=False Actual=True
PASSED: Can't withdraw with wrong password
PASSED: Can withdraw with valid password
```

### 4. Let's fix the Bug we found

```
public bool Withdraw(double amount, string password)
     if (amount <= 0)</pre>
          return false;
     if (this.password != password)
          return false;
         (amount > Balance)
          return false;
                                                                                                                      Α\
     return true;
TestDeposit(a1, 1, true, "Can Deposit Postive Amount");
TestDeposit(a1, -1, false, "Can't Deposit Negative Amount");
TestWithdraw(a1, -1, password, false, "Can't Withdraw Negative Amount");
TestWithdraw(a1, balance + 1, password, false, "Can't withdraw more than balance");
TestWithdraw(a1, 1, "wrong_password", false, "Can't withdraw with wrong password");
TestWithdraw(a1, 1, password, true, "Can withdraw with valid password");
PASSED: Can Deposit Postive Amount
PASSED: Can't Deposit Negative Amount
PASSED: Can't Withdraw Negative Amount
                                                                                 · This withdrawal shouldn't be allowed
Failed: Can't withdraw more than balance
                                                                                    as per new logic which is correct
           expected=False Actual=True
                                                                                    But the test is still failing (although the
PASSED: Can't withdraw with wrong password
                                                                                    logic is fixed)
PASSED: Can withdraw with valid password
```

#### **False Negative**

- A Test fails although the logic is correct because one test may be influencing another
- The data is inconsistent
- The test assumes a balance of 20000 actual balance is 20001
  - o Thus test indicates failure when it was actually a success

#### A previous test had added an additional Rs into BankAccount

- o Current balance is now balance+1
- $\circ \quad \text{This is actual amount we want to withdraw} \\$ 
  - Which is allowed.

#### **False Positive**

- A test passes even if the programming logic written is wrong
- This may be due to the incorrect data we have.

```
TestWithdraw(a1, balance - 1, password, true, "Can withdraw upto balance");
TestWithdraw(a1, balance * 2, "wrong_password",false, "Can't withraw with wrong password");

PASSED: Can't Deposit Negative Amount
PASSED: Can't Withdraw Negative Amount
PASSED: Can't withdraw more than balance
PASSED: Can withdraw upto balance
PASSED: Can't withraw with wrong password
```

 Withdrawal was rejected because of balance issue not because of the wrong password

## What if some situation throws exception

PASSED: Can't Deposit Negative Amount PASSED: Can't Withdraw Negative Amount PASSED: Can't withdraw more than balance

Unhandled exception. ConceptArchitect.Banking.InvalidCredentialsException: Invalid Credentials at ConceptArchitect.Banking.BankAccount.Withdraw(Double amount, String password) in D:\works\nnai-api\projects\UnitTest\ConceptArchitect.Banking\BankAccount.cs:line 38

at BankAccountConsoleTest.Program.TestWithdraw(BankAccount a, Double amount, String password, String testMessage) in D:\works\corporate\202510-lnw-chennai-api\projects\UnitTest\BankAccountC ne 47

at BankAccountConsoleTest.Program.Main(String[] args) in D:\works\corporate\202510-lnw-chenna BankAccountConsoleTest\Program.cs:line 18

#### Test Passed or Failed?

- We expected an exception to be thrown for the wrong password
- It threw an exception
  - o That's the expected use case
- Thus Test Passed
- But Human psychology -> Exception = Failure.

# What Happened to the Rest of the Tests?

 They are not executed because application crashed.

#### Summarize

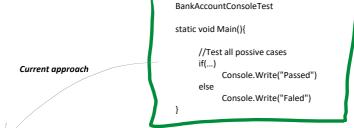
- · Output are for human eyes only
  - o We need to decide if current data is expected
    - (we may solve this problem by creating an organized test)
- · Tests are not isolated
  - o A test result may change the object state
  - o Tests are written based on initial state assumption
- May lead to
  - o False positive
    - Code is wrong but passing the rest
  - o False negative
    - Code is not wrong but test is failing
- Exception ejects the program and all test may not execute.

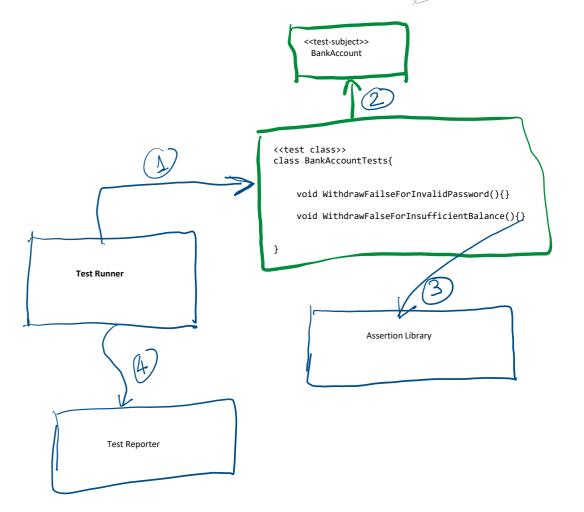
## How Unit Testing Works

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### **Unit Testing Framework**

- It is a replacement of common Console Application to run the test
- A console application typically uses a combination of
  - $\circ$  If
  - Console.Write
- It gives a more systemic way to run the test.
- It has few components (irrespective of language and framework)





 In a unit test case each test will be a separate function thus isolating each test from one another and reducing chance of false positive/negative

- A set of functions provided by UnitTesting Framwork
- They replace
  - ∘ If
  - o Console.Write
- The expect certain things
  - If it doesn't work that way, the test fails.

- Test reporter can present the test results to the user
- It may be
  - Simple Console Output
  - $\circ \ \ \mbox{A GUI reporting the test results}.$

# Test Frameworks

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# There are several Test Framework Available to Unit Test .Net codes

### 1. MS Test

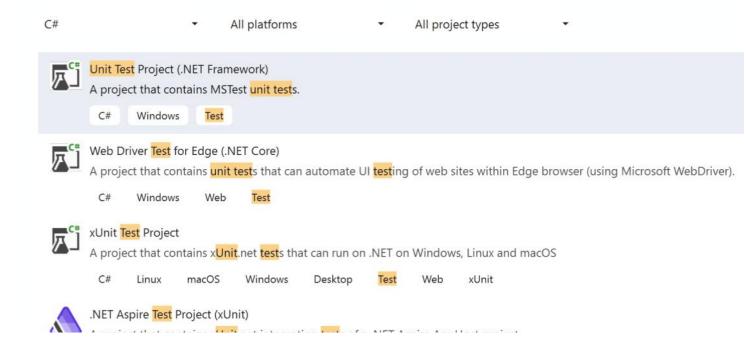
- Oldest Microsoft Test Framework
- Works only with
  - Visual Studio
  - .NET Framework application

### 2. Nunit

- Third-party framework
- Created by the same team that created Java's Junit framework
  - o JUnit is the first unit testing framework in any language.

## 3. Xunit

- A modern cross-platform testing framework created by Microsoft
- Works for both .NET framework and .NET core
- Works across OS platforms
- Can work even outside Visual Studio





xUnit

MSTest Test Project

Linux

macOS

Windows

C#

A project that contains MSTest tests that can run on .NET on Windows, Linux and MacOS.

Desktop

NUnit

Playwright

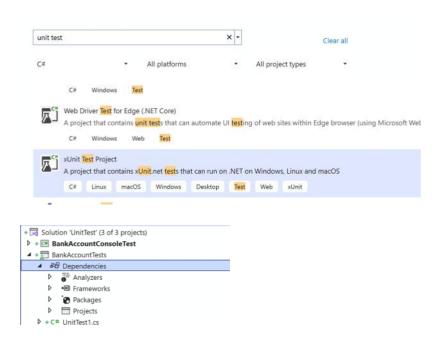
Test

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### **Xunit Getting Started**

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#### Step #1 Create an XUnit Project



#### **Test Organization**

#### 1. We need to create a Test Class

- A Test class is an ordinary C# class that can have one or more test methods
- The class is just a group of methods.
- $\bullet \quad \text{Generally we name it after the class/method we are testing with TestSuffix} \\$ 
  - o Example
    - BankAccountTests
      - ☐ To test all aspect of BankAccount
    - BankAccountWithdrawTests
      - ☐ To test all aspects of Withdraw function only
        - $\ \, \bullet \ \,$  We use this if there are too many tests needed for a single function
- It can have one or more test methods

#### 2. Test Methods

- Test Methods are standard public non static methods
- They should be attributed with [Fact]

#### 3. Running a Test

1. From the command Line (Only for .NET Core)

c:\project> dotnet test

```
Test summary: total: 0, failed: 0, succeeded: 0, skipped: 0, duration: 6.0s
Build succeeded with 1 warning(s) in 17.5s
```

#### Why?

Only those methods that are marked with [Fact] qualifies as test

```
| Tent | Console.WriteLine("I am second test"); | Tent | Console.WriteLine("I am not a test"); | Tent | Console.WriteLine("I am test 3"); | Tent | Console.WriteLine("I am test 3"); | Tent | Tent
```

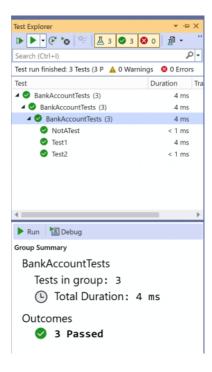
#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

- Test names don't matter
  - o NotATest is also executed
  - Test3 is not executed
- There is no specific order to run test
  - o They may run in any order
  - 0

```
I am first test
I am not a test
I am second test
[xUnit.net 00:00:00.27] Finished: BankAccountTests
BankAccountTests test succeeded (1.5s)

Test summary: total: 3, failed: 0, succeeded: 3, skipped: 0, duration: 1.4s
Build succeeded with 1 warning(s) in 3.7s
```

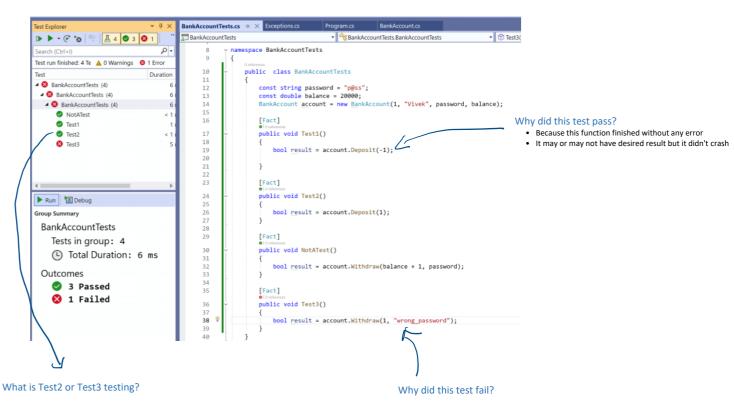
Running the Test with Visual Studio



#### Why did the test pass?

- · Because it had no reason to fail.
- If a function completes without error, test is passed.

#### Consider the current Test Example



Names like test2 or test3 are not helpful
in identifying the current test

Because any unexpected exception is considered as a

 Names like test2 or test3 are not helpful in identifying the current test

#### Why did this test fail?

 Because any unexpected exception is considered as a failure

### **Test Structuring Best Practices**

#### 1. DAMP Principle

- Descriptive and Meaningful Phrase
- Name shouldn't just be a meaningful word but a phrase describing the intent
- Avoid

  - Test1()TestWithdraw()
- Use
   WithdrawFailsForNegativeAmount()

#### 2. Tests run on A-A-A

- Arrange
  - Arrange your code with well-defined initial data.
- - Perform the job you want to test
- 3. Assert
  - Call assert function to assert your expectations

#### 3. Test follows ACID

- Atomic
  - Test should be atomic
  - It should test one use case or test path
  - Avoid
    - TestWithcraw
  - Test
    - Withdraw Fails for

      - Negative amount
         Insufficient balance
      - □ Invalid credentials
    - Passes of
  - □ Happy case
- Consistency
  - Test should always give same result for same data set
- Isolation
  - Test must be isolated
  - One test shouldn't interfere with other
- Durable
  - Test can run again and again returning same expected information

#### How do I Test Exception

- By default any exception will cause a failure
- But the good news, it will not stop other tests from running

#### **Testing for Exception**

#### If we don't test right we may get false positives

- Out withdraw tests are passing
- But that is all false positive
- Actually withdraw has a logical error
- But since we have wrong assert, we are unable to identify the bug

### How do I test credit Interest (A function that doesn't return anything) — what do I assert on?

- We can compare the value of states that gets effected by current function call.
- Here Credit interest may not return a value but it does update the balance

### How do I test account. Show?

- It returns nothing
- It doesn't affect any state of the object

```
public void Show()
{
     Console.WriteLine($"Account: {AccountNumber}\tName={Name}\tBalance={Balance}");
}
```

• This code is untestable.

# **Revisiting Calculator**

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### **Problem**

- Our calculator always emits the result to Console
- Console.WriteLine is not testable
  - Anything not testable is, in general, not a good code
- We need to find an alternative
- An alternative is no just for making it testable
  - o It will often make the code more usable
- Actual Enhancement
  - We may replace Console with a Real GUI

# Step #1 replace hard-coded Console.WriteLine with a Result Presenter

```
// Hard coded and non testable
//Console.WriteLine(output);
ResultPresenter(output);
```

# Step #2 Supply Console.WriteLine as default Result Presenter

```
public class Calculator
{
    //public OutputFormat OutputFormat { get; set; }= OutputFormat.Infix;

    3 references
    public ResultFormatter ResultFormatter { get; set; }
    Dictionary<string, Operator> operators=new Dictionary<string, Operator>();

2 references
    public Action<string> ResultPresenter { get; set; }
    2 references
    public Action<string> ErrorPresenter { get; set; }

1 reference
    public Calculator()
    {
        AddOperator((x, y) => x + y, "plus");
        AddOperator((x, y) => x - y, "minus");
        ResultFormatter = (op1, name, op2, result) => $"{op1} {name} {op2} = {result}";

        ResultPresenter = Console.WriteLine;
        ErrorPresenter = Console.WriteLine;
}
```

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# How is the code advantageous?

- Console.WriteLine is not replaceable
- ResultPresenter is replaceable

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• Write Unit Testing to Test following Case

# Test for InfixFormatter

• Infix formatter formats the result correctly

# Test For calculator

- Calculator performs correct calculation for valid operator
- Calculator "Invalid Operator: 'foo'" if we pass invalid operator foo
- Calculator doesn't call formatter if operator is invalid
- Calculator uses the value returned by formatter for printing
- Calculator invokes ResultPresenter with formatted data
- Calculator invokes ErrorPresenter with error data

### Interface

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```
abstract class Animal{
    public abstract string Eat();
    public abstract string Move();
}
public class Horse : Animal{
    public string Eat() {returns "Grass"; }
    public string Move() {return "Runs";}
}
public class Tiger : Animal{
    public string Move() {return "Walks";}
    public string Eat() {returns Hunt()+" Eats"; }
    //new method
    public string Hunt(){ returns "Hunts" ;}
}
Tiger tiger = new Tiger();
tiger.Move(); //walks
tiger.Hunt(); //Hunts
Animal animal = tiger;
animal.Move(); //walks
animal.Hunt(); //compilation error: Hunt is not defined.
animal.Eat(); // Hunts Eats <--- calls Hunt inside eat</pre>
```

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### Why Compiler gives a compile time error on Hunt?

- Objects are created at runtime
- Compiler can't be sure what Animal reference will be refering to —> tiger or horse or something else
- It can't be 100% sure that object being referred has a Hunt method
- To be safe in all situation, it allows only those method calls it is 100% sure about
  - o Methods already defined and known to Animal reference

### How to solve the Hunt Problem

1. We need to define an interface Ihunter

```
interface IHunter{
    void Hunt();
}
```

2. Let all animals who hunt implment this interface

```
class Tiger : Animal, IHunter{...}
class Eagle : Bird, IHunter{...}
class Snake : Animal, IHunter{...}
```

3. Now check for interface, type cast and use

### This is why the interface exists. Interface=>promise

- It is a promise that a given method(s) will be present in the current object
- Same reason we use delegate
  - o Operator delegate promises that current method will
    - Take 2 int

- Same reason we use delegate
  - o Operator delegate promises that current method will
    - Take 2 int
    - Return an int
  - $\circ \quad \text{Action} \text{<} \text{string} \text{>} \text{ promises that it will}$ 
    - Take string
    - Return void
  - o ResultFormatter promises that it will
    - Take —> op1, operatorName, op2, result
    - Return —> string

# Why should the compiler give a compile-time error on Hunt?

- Modern languages like C# (and Java), unlike c++, do not produce Stand Alone Executables
- They have a run-time environment

3. Now check for interface, type cast and use

Animal [] animals = {....}

}

}

foreach(var animal in animals){

if( animal is IHunter){

hunter.Hunt();

- Since a runtime engine is present, it can certainly check if current object has Hunt method or not
- Why should this decision be taken eagerly at compile time?

var hunter = animal as IHunter;

# Reflection

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### What is Reflection?

- It is a library that enables us to explore the programming elements at runtime
- Programming elements
  - o Class
  - o Fields
  - Properties
  - Methods
  - Assembly
- We can find out their details
  - What methods are present in a class
  - What are parameters of a method
- We can use them dynamically without making direct calls
  - o Create object of a class
  - o Get/set values of properties/fields
  - o Invoke a method

#### How it works?

- Employee
  - o employeeld
  - o Name
  - Salary
  - Work()
- Snake
  - Poison
  - Length
  - Age
  - Colour

```
class Employee{
    int employeeld;
    string name;
    double salary;

    public void Work(){}
}

class Snake{
    int poison;
    int length;
    int age;
    Color color;
}
```

# How about creating a class called "Class"

- What properties or behavior a class object can have?
- What do we know about a class/Type
  - o Property
    - Name
    - List of
      - $\quad \square \quad Methods$
      - $\ \square$  Properties
      - □ Fields
      - □ Constructor
    - Base Class
    - List of
      - Interfaces
    - Scope [public/abstract/static]
    - Namespace
  - o Behavior
    - Create an object

```
string name;
string namespace;
Type baseType;
Type[] interfaces;
MethodInfo[] methods;

}

class MethodInfo
{
    string name;
    Type definingType;
    Type returnType;
    ParameterInfo[] parameters;
```

class Class Type //represents class, struct, interface, enum

• What do we know about a Method?

```
• What do we know about a Method?
```

- $\circ \ \ Property$ 
  - Name
  - List of Parameters
  - Return type
  - Scope
  - Defining class
- o Behavior
  - Invoke

```
Type definingType;
Type returnType;
ParameterInfo[] parameters;
}
class ParameterInfo
{
Type type;
String name;
}
```

### Available classes

- System
  - Type
- System.Reflect
  - MethodInfo
  - ParameterInfo
  - FieldInfo
  - ConstructorInfo
  - o PropertyInfo

# How to create a Type Object?

#### How not to create it

Type type = new Type();

#### Why?

- Type represents class/struct/enum/interface.
- To create them, you need to declare them. class Tiger{}
- Not
  - Type Tiger = new Type()

# How to get the type object

- Type object always refers to an existing type already created
- We access them using various factory methods provided by the framework

### Approach #1. If you have an object, you can find its type

```
var tiger = new Tiger();
var type = tiger.GetType(); //object class method
```

### Approach #2. If you have an class, you can find its type object

var type2 = typeof(Tiger); //C# keyword

# Approach #3. If you know full class name, you can find its type object

var type3 = Type.GetType("Tiger"); //note it can even be a user input.	
Approach #3	

## Note

- The type1, type2 and type3 are exactly same object and not different copies
  - o There will be a single type object per type
  - o It doesn't create a new one every time.

# **Attributes**

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## Conceptually

- They are meta information that can be attached to any programing element like
  - o Type
  - Method
  - o Field
  - Constructor
  - Parameter
- Think of them as special comments
- They exists at runtime
- They can be accessed using Reflection (Only)
- They are non-obstrusive
  - o If you don't know or care for them, they will not disturb you.

# Programmatically

- An attribute is a class that
  - o Extends Attribute class
  - o Conventionally has Attribute Suffix in their name
- [Fact] —-> class FactAttribute:Attribute{}
- [Serializable] —> class SerializableAttribute:Attribute{}

# Let's create a special behavior attribute

```
public class SpecialBehaviorAttribute : Attribute
{
}
```

• Now you can use this attribute with any of the programming element

```
public class Parrot: Bird
    public override string Eat()
    {
        return "Eats Fruits";
    [SpecialBehavior]
    public string HumanSpeak()
                                                                                                     Doesn't make any sense here!
                                                                                                     It is a class
        return "Speaks Like Human";
                                                                                                     This attribute makes sense only
                                                                                                      for methods
}
[SpecialBehavior]
public class Eagle : Bird, IHunter
    public override string Eat()
        return "Flesh Eater";
```

We can Limit Attribute usage to certain type only using another Attribute

```
[AttributeUsage(AttributeTargets.Method)]
2 references
public class SpecialBehaviorAttribute : Attribute
{
}
```

```
[SpecialBehavior]

**Class AnimalsDemo.SpecialBehaviorAttribute (+ 1 overload)

CS0592: Attribute 'SpecialBehavior' is not valid on this declaration type. It is only valid on 'method' declarations.

public class Eagle: Bird, IHunter

{

    reference

    public override string Eat()

    {

        return "Flesh Eater";

    }
```

# Attributes still does nothing

- Attributes are like dead objects (e.g. chairs)
- They do nothing on their own
- If you need them you need to go and use them using Reflection

# Discoverable Plugin Options

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# **Assumptions**

- Operators May be present in different assemblies created by different companies
- They may be present in one or more classes
- They will always be static methods that will take 2 int and return an int.
- One operation may have multiple names
  - o Eg. Plus, sum, add
- These plugins will not be referred during compile time
- They will be read from a plugins folder sitting next to executable file.

## How will it work?

When application loads, it should do the following

- 1. Search for 'plugins' folder sitting next to executable
- 2. Search all dll files in the plugins folder
- 3. Load all dll files as assembly
- 4. Iterate over all types defined in assembly
- 5. Iterate through all the static methods in the assembly and search for methods that meets my requirement
- 6. Add the matching methods directly into my calculator by calling Add Operator