# Java II Design Principles

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## Software Systems Degrade

- Most larger systems, even if designed well in the beginning, start to rot over time
- ► Predominant reason: unforeseen requirements require changes that do not fit well with the original design
- Requirements will always change, so what can we do to prevent our software from rotting?
- Properly manage the dependencies between classes and packages!



## Design Principles

- ► Software design principles are general rules how to organize your software to support
  - Reuseability
  - Maintainability
  - Stability
- ► There are five fundamental principles which you should keep in mind when building software
- ▶ Design patterns, which we will talk about later, are blueprints that help you to adhere to the design principles



#### S.O.L.I.D

#### The five fundamental design principles:

- Single Responsibility Principle
- Open-Closed Principle
- Liskov Substitution Principle
- Interface Segregation Principle
- Dependency Inversion Principle

There a lot more, but those are the most important ones.



## Single Responsibility Principle

#### A class should have one, and only one, reason to change.

- ▶ What's a "reason to change"? This seems a bit vague
- ➤ To me: Don't throw two responsibilities (functionalities) into a class that do not really belong together
- Why so:
  - Lower reusability: you can't use one independent of the other
  - Harder to test and maintain: if you can clearly separate functionality, each is easier to understand and fix if problems occur
- ► This is similar to the *Separation of Concern* principle
- Another reformulation: Create classes that are
  - small enough to lower coupling (dependance)
  - ► large enough to maximize cohesion (things that will change together are in the same package / class)



# Single Responsibility Principle: Example

```
A class that generates a tabular report from a data source and
presents it as a table
class Report {
  public void generate(DataSource d) { ... }
 public String print() { ... }
Everything's fine here because the print method needs access to
most internals of the Report class. And now there's new
requirements . . .
class Report {
  public void generate(DataSource d) { ... }
  public String print() { ... }
  public String printHtml() { ... }
  public String printXml() { ... }
```



# Single Responsibility Principle: Example

```
interface Formatter {
  public String tableHeader(...);
  public String tableRow(...);
}

class Report {
  public void generate(DataSource d) { ... }
  public String print(Formatter f) { ... }
}
```





# SINGLE RESPONSIBILITY PRINCIPLE

Just Because You Can, Doesn't Mean You Should



### Open-Closed Principle

#### A module should be open for extension but closed for modification.

- Write modules such that they can be extended (put to new uses) without requiring them to be modified
- How's that possible?
- We've already seen a quite complex example: Visitor
- ► The key to achieve this is *Abstraction*



# Open-Closed Principle: Bad Example

```
class Shape { ... }
class Rectangle extends Shape {
 int x, y, width, height;
class Circle extends Shape {
 int x, y;
 float radius;
class GraphicEditor {
 void draw(Shape s) { // code changes for every new Shape
   if (s instanceof Rectangle) drawRectangle((Rectangle)s);
   else if (s instanceof Circle) drawCircle((Circle)s);
   // etc.
```

# Open-Closed Principle: Reworked

```
class Shape { abstract void draw(GraphicEnvironment g); }
class Rectangle extends Shape {
 int x, y, width, height;
 void draw(GraphicEnvironment g){ ... }
class Circle extends Shape {
 int x, y;
 float radius;
 void draw(GraphicEnvironment g){ ... }
class GraphicEditor {
 // add shape classes without changing this class
 void draw(Shape s) {
   s.draw(graphicEnvironment);
```



**Open Closed Principle** 

You don't need to rewire your MoBo to plug in "Mr Happy"



## Liskov Substitution Principle

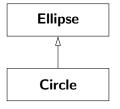
If S is subtype of T, the program behaves the same if objects of type T are replaced by objects of type S

- ► This is also called *strong behavioural subtyping* (Barbara Liskov, 1987)
- ► Similar to *Design by Contract*
- Consequence: If I know what objects of class T do, i can rely on the this for objects of type S
- May seem counterintuitive: How can i have a more specific class that does not behave differently from its superclass?
- ► The key is: you may only add functionality, but not change it



# Breaking LSP: Ellipse vs. Circle

A circle is a degenerate form of an ellipse, we are tempted to use inheritance because Circle is-a Ellipse



Ellipse has two Foci, which have to be identical if it is a Circle, which has to be enforced by the implementation



# Breaking LSP: Ellipse vs. Circle

```
class Ellipse {
 private Point focusA, focusB;
 public void setFoci(Point a, Point b);
 public double getCircumference();
 public double getArea();
 public Point getFocusA();
 public Point getFocusB();
  . . .
class Circle extends Ellipse {
 public void setFoci(Point a, Point b) {
   if (! a.equals(b)) throw new IllegalArgumentException();
   super.setFoci(a, b);
```



# Breaking LSP: A Client Using Ellipse

Write client code that uses the contracts given by Ellipse:

```
void f(Ellipse e) {
  e.setFoci(new Point(1, 0), new Point(0, 1));
  assert(e.getFocusA().equals(new Point(1, 0));
  assert(e.getFocusB().equals(new Point(0, 1));
  ...
}
```

Obviously, this breaks when a Circle is passed to f

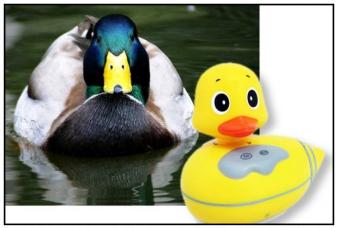
We are changing the contract in the subclass: This makes the abstraction worthless



#### LSP and Contracts

- A contract consists of
  - preconditions that must hold before a method call, otherwise the result is undefined (an exception is thrown, etc.)
  - guarantees that will be fulfilled when the method has been completed, called postconditions
- ▶ A derived class is substitutable for its base class if:
  - 1. Its preconditions are no stronger than the base class method.
  - 2. Its postconditions are no weaker than the base class method.
- When this holds, LSP is not violated





### LISKOV SUBSTITUTION PRINCIPLE

If It Looks Like A Duck, Quacks Like A Duck, But Needs Batteries - You Probably Have The Wrong Abstraction



### Interface Segregation Principle

Many client specific interfaces are better than one general purpose interface

Clients should not be forced to depend upon interfaces that they don't use.

- Don't put too much functionality into an interface since you can implement as many as you want
- ▶ Instead of using one fat interface, use many small interfaces
- But: put functionality together that belongs to the same responsibility (cohesion!)



## Interface Segregation Principle: Example

```
interface TWorker {
 public void work();
 public void eat();
class Worker implements IWorker {
 public void work() { /* ... working */ }
 public void eat() { /* ... eating lunch */ }
class SuperWorker implements IWorker {
 public void work() { /* ... working faster */ }
 public void eat() { /* ... eating lunch */ }
class Manager {
 IWorker worker:
 public void setWorker(IWorker w) { worker=w; }
 public void manage() { worker.work(); }
```

Now add Robot that does recharge instead of eat



### Interface Segregation Principle: Example

```
interface IWorker { public void work(); }
interface NeedsFood { public void eat(); }
interface NeedsRecharge { public void recharge() ; }
// ...
class SuperWorker implements IWorker, NeedsFood {
 public void work() { /* ... working faster */ }
 public void eat() { /* ... eating lunch */ }
class Robot implements IWorker, NeedsRecharge {
 public void work() { /* ... working */ }
 public void recharge() { /* ... mmmm */ }
class Manager {
 IWorker worker:
 public void setWorker(IWorker w) { worker = w; }
 public void manage() { worker.work(); }
```



### Interface Segregation Principle

- ► ISP needs more effort in the design phase and may produce code of higher complexity
- ▶ But it's well invested time
- ▶ The code is more independent, and the design is more flexible
- What if the harm's already done, or you are using an existing library?
- ▶ Use the *Adapter* pattern!



# Special Adapter Example (for ISP)

```
interface MonsterLegacyWorker {
 public void work();
 public void eat();
 public void recharge();
public class SuperWorker { /* ... */ }
// Legacy codes ends here -----
interface Worker { public void doWork(); }
public class WorkerAdapter implements Worker {
 private MonsterLegacyWorker worker;
 public WorkerAdapter(MonsterLegacyWorker w) { worker = w; }
 public void doWork() { worker.work() }
```





#### INTERFACE SEGREGATION PRINCIPLE

You Want Me To Plug This In, Where?



# Dependency Inversion Principle

High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules, both should depend on abstractions

Abstractions should not depend on details. Details should depend on abstractions.

#### Classical Top-Down Design

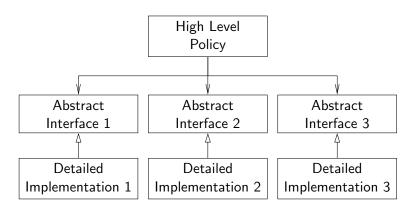
- 1. Create a high-level description of the system
- 2. Refine the design into modules and high-level classes
- Create low-level implementations to provide the needed functionalities

#### Consequences

- ▶ The high-level classes depend on the implementations
- ▶ the low-level classes are very hard to replace



# Dependency Inversion Principle





# Dependency Inversion Principle: Bad Example

```
public class PowerSwitch {
 public LightBulb bulb;
 public boolean on;
 public attach(LightBulb b) { bulb = b; }
 public void press() {
   if (on) {
     bulb.turnOff(); on = false;
   } else {
     bulb.turnOn(); on = true;
```



# Dependency Inversion Principle Applied

```
public interface Switchable {
 public void turnOn();
 public void turnOff();
public interface Switch {
 public void attach(Switchable s);
 public void press();
public class LightBulb implements Switchable {
 public void turnOn() { /* Let there be light! */ }
 public void turnOff() { /* Into darkness */ }
public class PowerSwitch implements Switch {
 public Switchable client;
 public boolean on;
 public attach(Switchable c) { client = c; }
 public void press() {
   if (on) {client.turnOff(); on = false; }
   else {client.turnOn(); on = true; }
```



### Dependency Inversion Principle: Example II

# What's wrong here?

```
public Result readComplicatedSyntax(String filename) {
 FileReader f = new FileReader(filename):
 while (f.canRead()) {
   char c = f.read():
   // Now follows a lot of complicated code
   // ...
   // even more complicated code
   // ...
 return result;
```



# Dependency Inversion Principle: Object Creation

- ► There is no way to instantiate objects of abstract classes (by definition)
- ► As a consequence, you *always* depend on a concrete class when creating objects (calling a constructor)
- ▶ The elegant solution: The *Factory* pattern
- ► The Factory creates one concrete implementation of a common interface, based on arguments
- ► There's an even more extreme version: the *Abstract Factory* pattern which uses (several) Factories to build objects



### Factory: Simple Example

```
public interface Worker { /* ... */ }

public class WorkerFactory {
  public static Worker getWorker(int workload) {
    if (workload > 100) return new SuperWorker();
    else return new OrdinaryWorker();
  }
}
```



### Factory Example: DIP Again

An example that uses the *Prototype* pattern:

```
public interface Copyable<T> { T copy(T object); }
public interface Worker extends Copyable<Worker> { /* ... */ }
public class WorkerFactory {
 HashMap<String, Worker> workerPrototypes = new HashMap<>();
 public void register(String type, Worker prototype) {
   workerPrototypes.put(type, prototype);
 public Worker getWorker(String type) {
   Worker w = workerPrototypes.get(type);
   if (w != null) w = w.copy();
   return w:
```





#### DEPENDENCY INVERSION PRINCIPLE

Would You Solder A Lamp Directly To The Electrical Wiring In A Wall?



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