#### Module 01:

"What are Design Patterns?"





# Agenda

- ▶ Introducing Design Patterns
- Design Patterns Background
- Our Approach
- General OO Principles



## Introducing Design Patterns

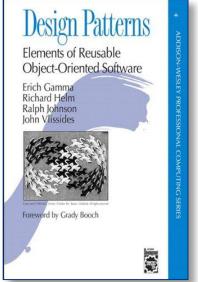
- Reusable techniques for commonly occurring software design problems
- A common "OO design language" for developers
- ▶ Template solutions are starting points for development
  - Application design
  - Relationship between components and/or classes
  - Presented at an abstract level
  - Avoid re-inventing new solutions every day
  - Provide a uniform design quality in system design
- Design Patterns describe structure not algorithms!



# Design Patterns Background

- **1977** 
  - Christopher Alexander
  - Architect proposing a pattern language for buildings
- **1987**:
  - Kent Beck and Ward Cunningham
  - Conference paper presenting similar ideas for software
- **1994**:
  - Erich Gamma, Richard Helm, Ralph Johnson, and John Vlissides (a.k.a. "Gang of Four ☺)
  - Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software
  - ISBN-13: 978-0-201-63361-0
  - https://www.amazon.co.uk/Design-Patterns-Object-Oriented-Addison-Wesley-Professional-ebook/dp/B000SEIBB8







## 23 Gang of Four Design Patterns

- Considered the cornerstone of design patterns
- Classifies patterns into categories such as
  - Creational
  - Structural
  - Behavioral
- Presented in general terms using UML
- Presented in a language-agnostic way (but C++ style)



#### Beautiful! Classic! But...

- ... 27 years is a long time in IT!
- Amount of design patterns theory and practice continually evolving and being refined
  - Evolves with research and practice
  - Evolves with new architectural paradigms
  - Refined by programming languages such as C#
- Consequently,
  - New design patterns emerge
  - Additional categories of patterns seem natural
    - User interface
    - Concurrency
    - Distributed
    - ...



#### Our Approach

- ▶ Goal: Present an up-to-date account of modern design patterns specialized for current C# and .NET
- Include all original 23 design patterns from GoF in newer and more modern versions
- Include additional newer design patterns not included in GoF
- Present C#-optimized versions of all patterns (preferably in .NET Core)
- Use practical examples instead of general terms and UML



#### General OO Principles

- Foundational principles ensuring adaptable and maintainable code
  - Program to an interface not an implementation
  - Favor object composition over inheritance
  - Favor loose coupling between classes
    - Sometimes even at the expense of duplication



## The Principles of SOLID

- Single Responsibility Principle
  - Every class should have only one reason to change
- Open/Closed Principle
  - Classes should be open for extension, but closed for modification
- Liskov Substitution Principle
  - Objects should always be replaceable with instances of subtypes without altering program correctness
- Interface Segregation Principle
  - Clients should not be forced to implement interface methods they don't need
- Dependency Inversion Principle
  - High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules.
    Both should depend upon abstractions
  - Abstractions should not depend on details. Concrete implementations should depend upon abstractions



