Lecture 12

ECE 1145: Software Construction and Evolution

Abstract Factory Pattern
Pattern Fragility
(CH 13, 14)

Announcements

- Relevant Exercises: 13.6
- **Midterm Oct. 18 (take-home) – one week from today**
  - Open book, open notes, work individually
  - Access and submit via Canvas
  - 24 hour window
  - Lectures 1 – 9, project iterations 1 – 3 and code review
  - Midterm review on Wednesday Oct. 13
- Iteration 4 due **Oct. 24** - code quality improvements

Questions for Today

How can we use compositional design for object creation?

What practices can lessen the effectiveness of design patterns?

Pay Station Receipts

Suppose we have added the ability to print a receipt

Receipt

- know its value in minutes parking time
- print itself

```
public void print(PrintStream stream);
```

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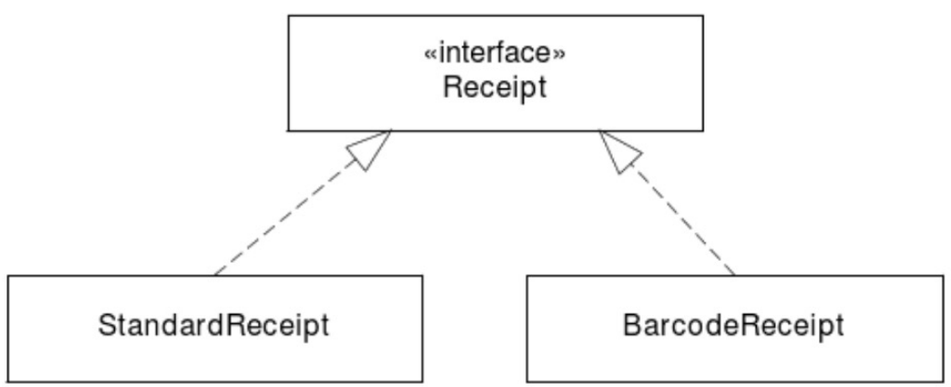

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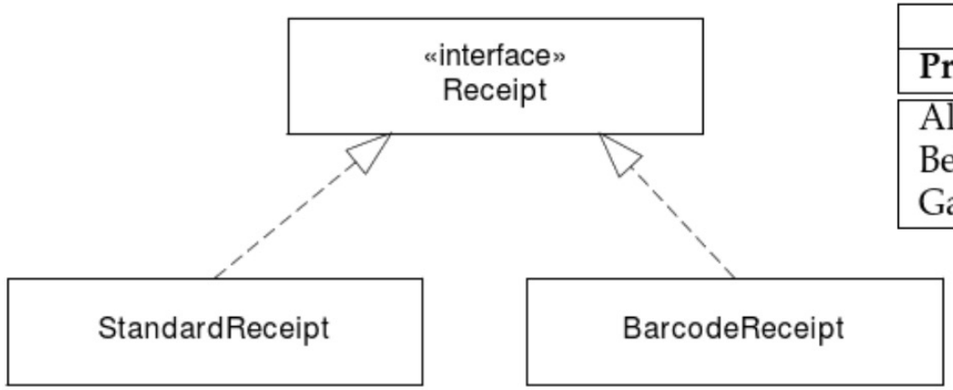

	Variability points	
Product	**Rate**	**Receipt**
Alphatown	Linear	Standard
Betatown	Progressive	Barcode
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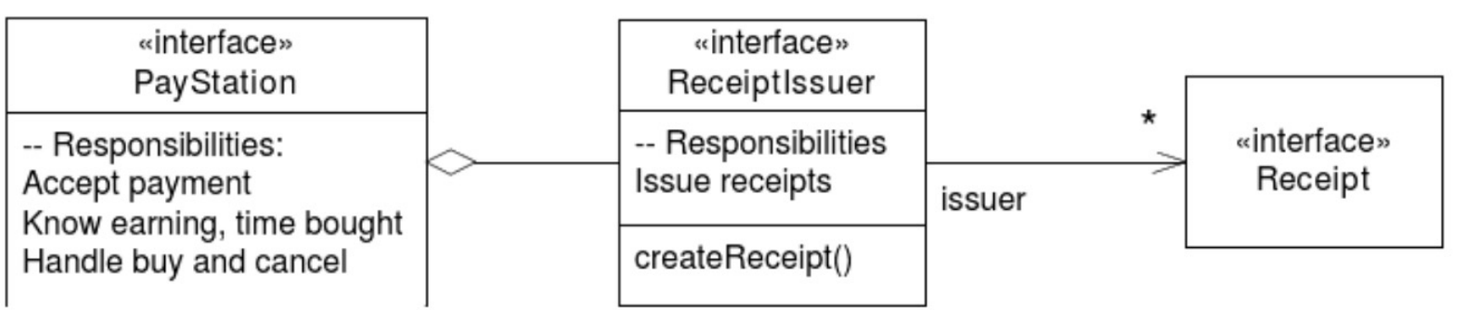

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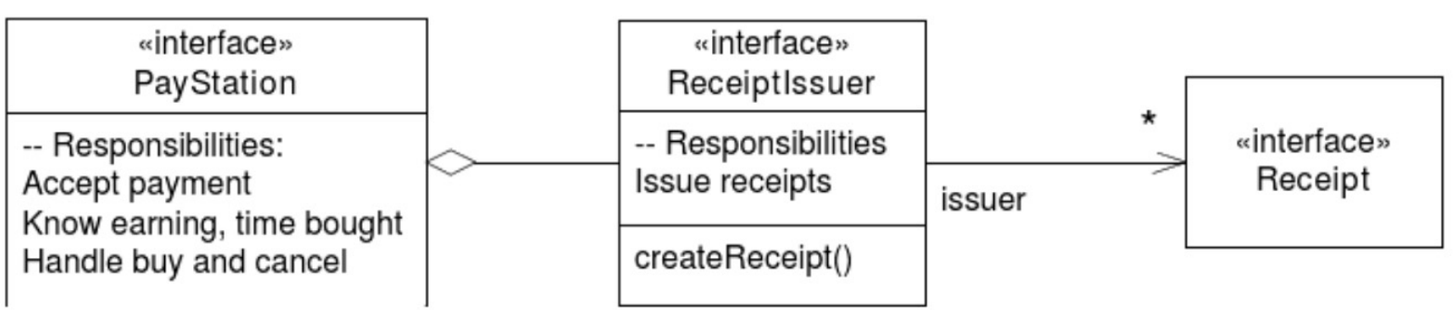

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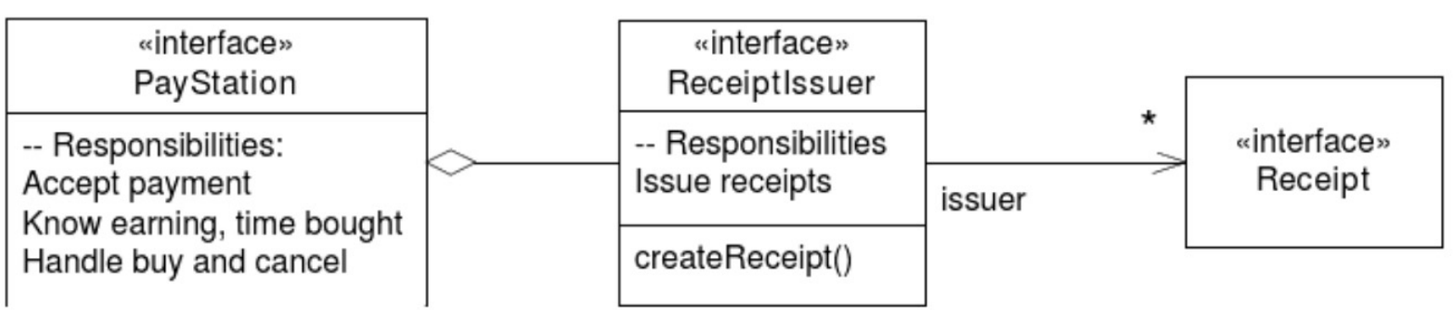

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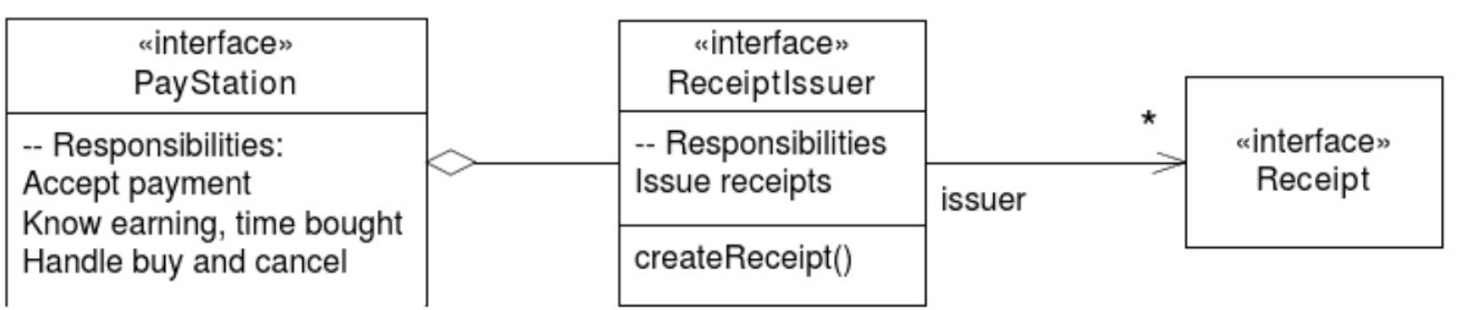

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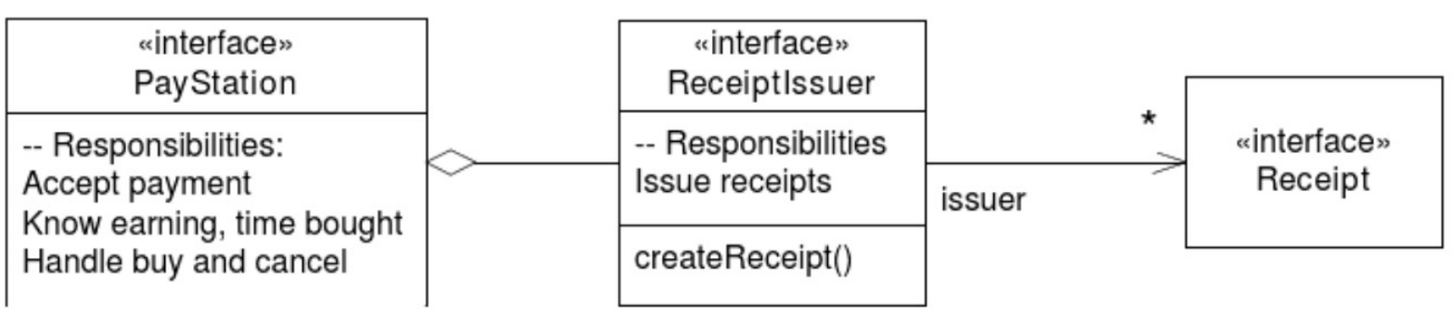

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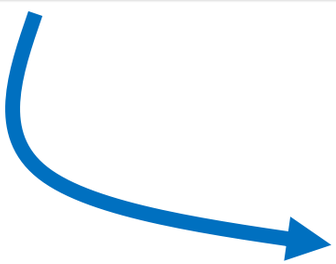

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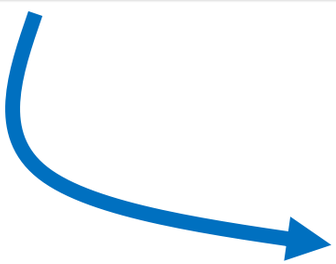

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TDD Principle: Do Over

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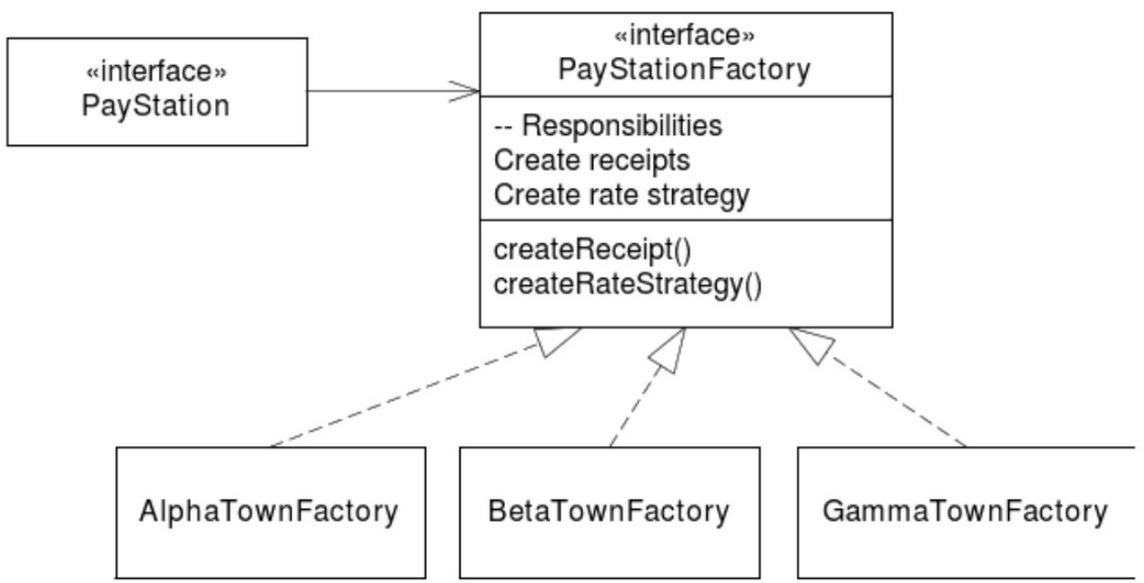

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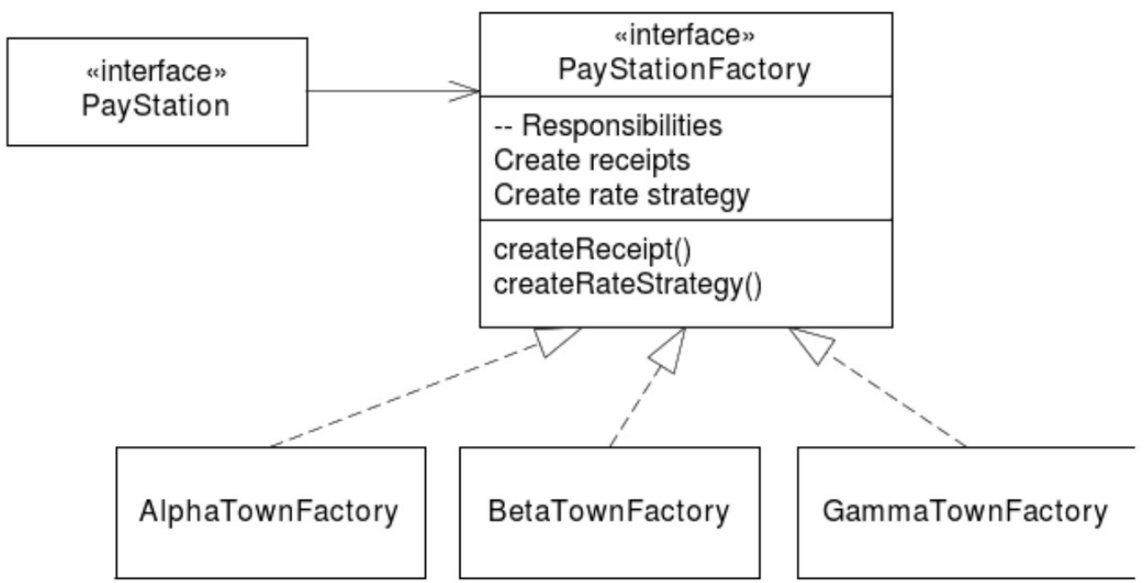

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Refactor PayStationImpl to use the factory

```
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  [...]
  /** the strategy for rate calculations */
  private RateStrategy rateStrategy;
  /** the factory that defines strategies */
  private PayStationFactory factory;

  /** Construct a pay station.
      @param factory the factory to produce strategies and receipts
  */
  public PayStationImpl( PayStationFactory factory ) {
    this.factory = factory;
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BetaTownFactory

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AlphaTownFactory:
LinearRateStrategy, StandardReceipt

Remember to add a test for GammaTown factory!

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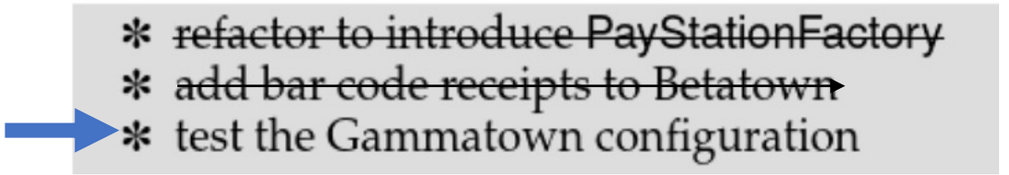

Integration tests

- Need a test for GammaTown – rate strategy and receipt type
- Also need to add to tests for AlphaTown and BetaTown to include receipts
  - Add to test list

Abstract Factory

The **Abstract Factory** pattern is a solution to the problem of creating variable types of objects.

→ Also consistent with compositional design

- ③ *I identified some behavior, creating objects, that varies between different products.* So far products vary with regards to the types of receipts and the types of rate calculations.
- ① *I expressed the responsibility of creating objects in an interface.* PayStationFactory expressed this reponsibility.
- ② *I let the pay station delegate all creation of objects it needs to the delegate object, namely the factory.* I can define a factory for each product variant (and particular testing variants), and provide the pay station with the factory. The pay station then delegates object creation to the factory instead of doing it itself.

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Dependency injection: dependencies should be established by client objects

- The factory object creates concrete objects to be used by the pay station
- The factory is passed into the pay station constructor

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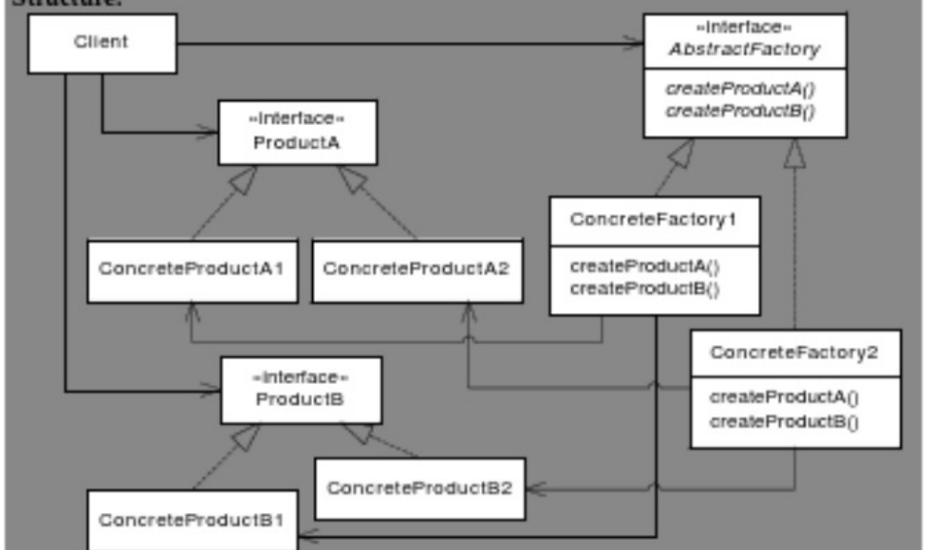

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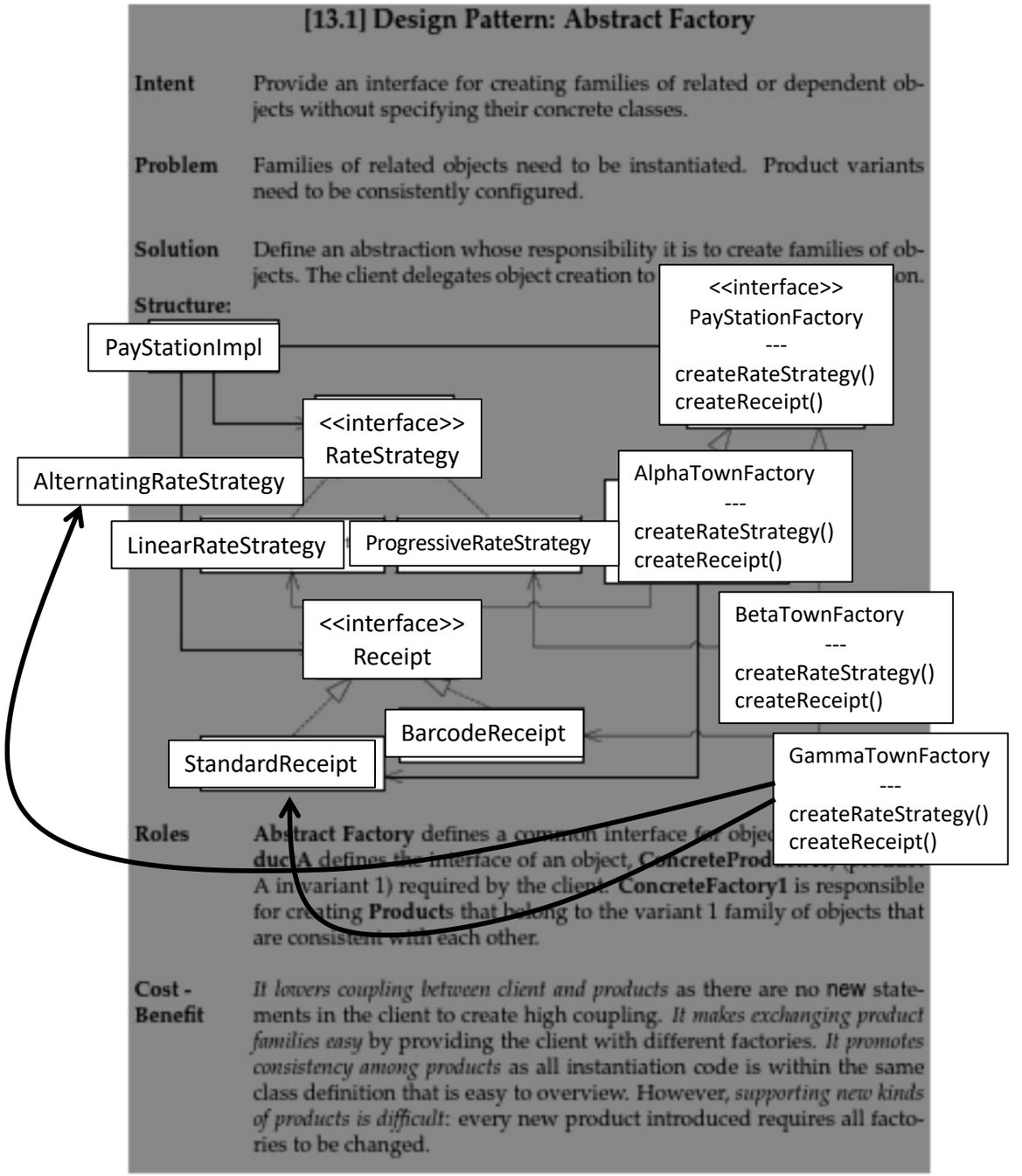

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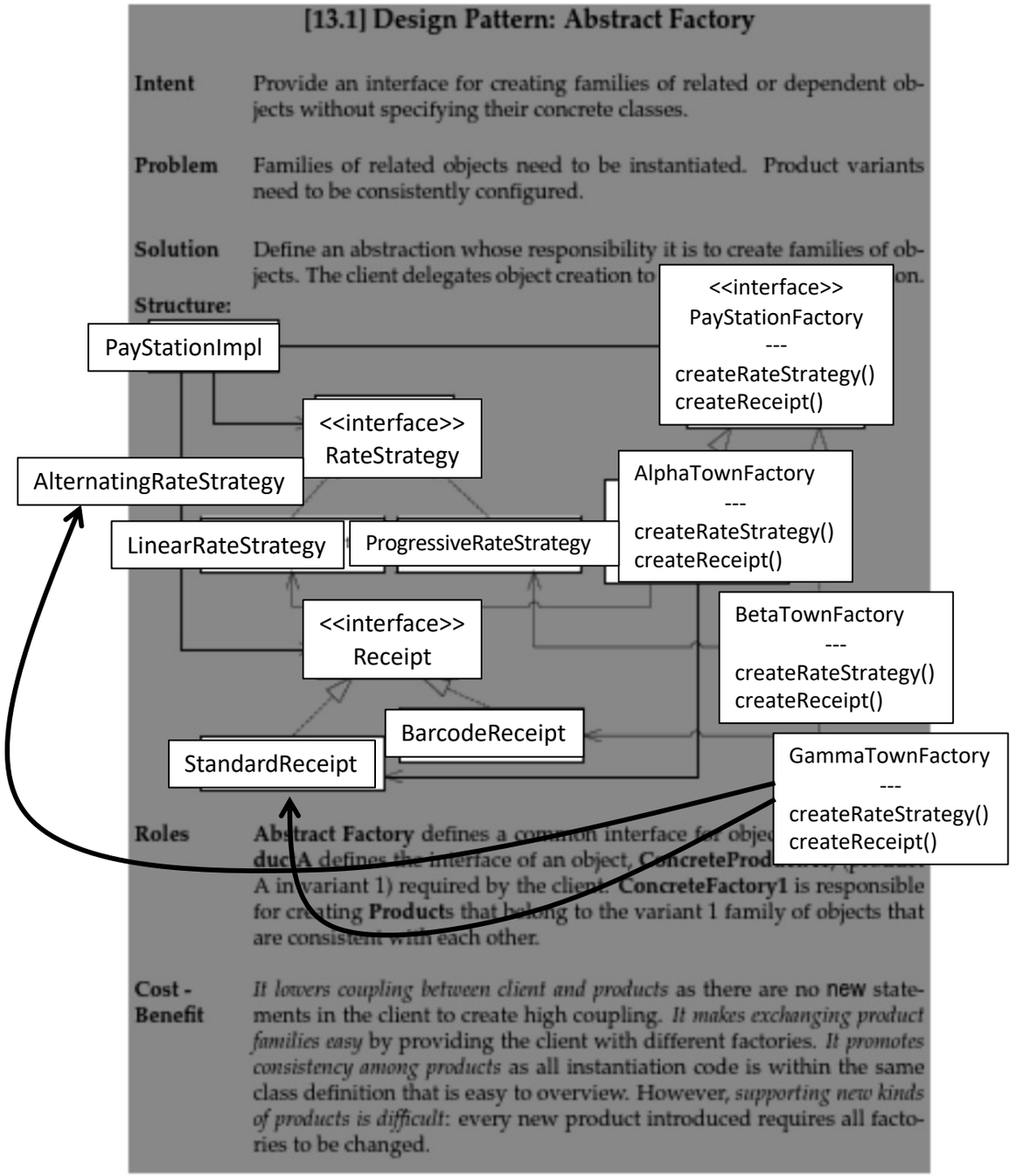

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- Low coupling between client and products
  - Only communicate through **interfaces**
- Configuring clients is easy
  - Provide client with the proper **concrete factory**
- Promotes consistency among products
  - Factories **encapsulate configuration**, easier to avoid or track defects
- Change by addition, not modification
  - Easy to introduce **new concrete factories** for **new pay station variants**
- Client constructor parameter list stays intact
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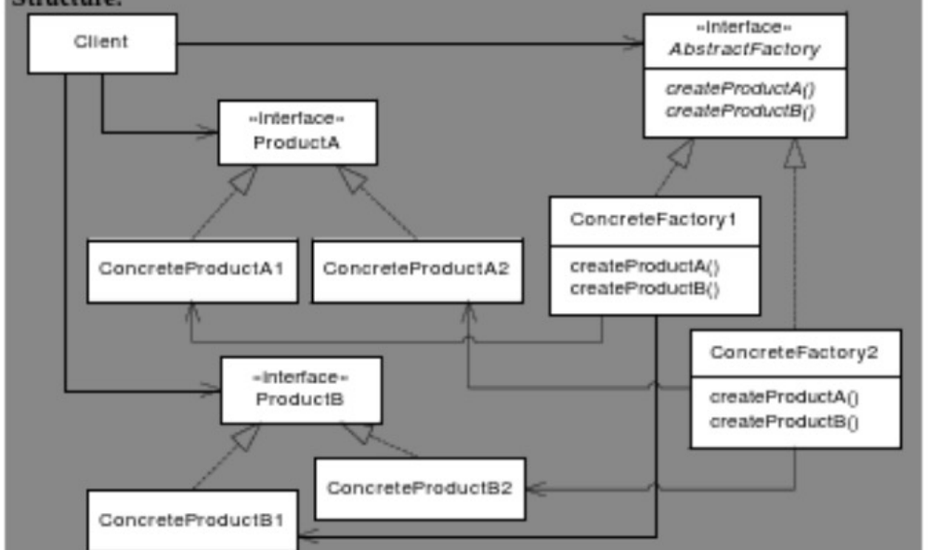

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Cons:

- Introduces extra classes and objects
  - Complex, unnecessary for a single variant
- Introducing new **aspects** of variation is problematic
  - E.g., logging to different databases, accepting other types of payment
  - Need to **modify** the abstract factory interface and **all concrete factory implementations**

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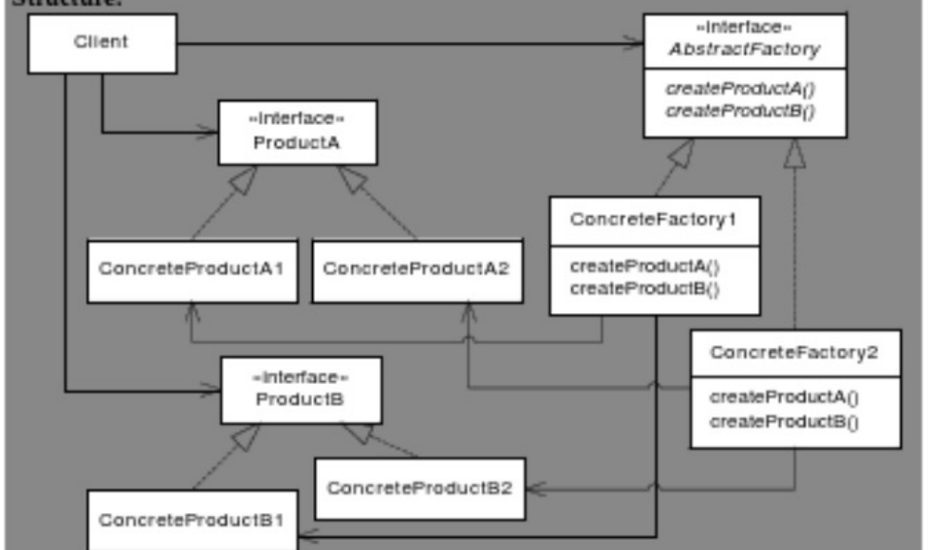

Roles **Abstract Factory** defines a common interface for object creation. **ProductA** defines the interface of an object, **ConcreteProductA1**, (product A in variant 1) required by the client. **ConcreteFactory1** is responsible for creating **Product**s that belong to the variant 1 family of objects that are consistent with each other.

Cost - Benefit *It lowers coupling between client and products* as there are no new statements in the client to create high coupling. *It makes exchanging product families easy* by providing the client with different factories. *It promotes consistency among products* as all instantiation code is within the same class definition that is easy to overview. However, *supporting new kinds of products is difficult*: every new product introduced requires all factories to be changed.

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Definition: **Pattern fragility**

Pattern fragility is the property of design patterns that their benefits can only be fully utilized if the pattern's object structure and interaction patterns are implemented correctly.

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PayStationImpl is shared across variants!

Abstract Factory, or main/application startup

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Maintain pattern consistency for a given variability

→ Keep benefits, avoid introducing liabilities of multiple patterns

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    return currentState.calculateTime( amount );
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Add responsibilities with intention to maintain cohesion

(this would be better in RateStrategy, but be aware that it is still adding responsibilities there)

Pattern Fragility: Summary

Coding decisions or mistakes can invalidate the benefits of patterns

→ Know the patterns

→ Know the **roles** and **interactions** they involve

→ Know the implications of how they are coded

→ Understand the patterns used in a given piece of code before making changes

- Make sure everyone working on a project understands the design!

Next time: Midterm review