CS 4530: Fundamentals of Software Engineering Lesson 1.3 Object-Oriented Design Principles

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Outline of this lesson

1. Reminder:

- the purposes of the principles
- Difficulties the principles should help with
- 2. Five principles for OO systems

Learning Objectives for this Lesson

- By the end of this lesson you should be able to:
 - Describe the purpose of our design principles
 - List five object-oriented design principles and illustrate their expression in code
 - Identify some violations of the principles and suggest ways to mitigate them

The Challenge: Controlling Complexity

- Software systems must be comprehensible by humans
- Why? Software needs to be maintainable
 - continuously adapted to a changing environment
 - Maintenance takes 50–80% of the cost
- Why? Software needs to be reusable
 - Economics: cheaper to reuse than rewrite!

Five Principles for OO Programming

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- 1. Make Your Interfaces Meaningful
- 2. Depend only on behaviors, not their implementation
- 3. Keep Things as Private as You Can
- 4. Favor Dynamic Dispatch Over Conditionals
- 5. Favor Interfaces Over Subclassing

Make a sticky note with this list, too.

Principle 1: Make Your Interfaces Meaningful

- Interfaces are the thing we use to specify the behavior of the classes and objects that implement them.
- We use the word *behavior* to mean what a single method does:
 - Returning a value is a behavior
 - Having some kind of side-effect (mutation, I/O, etc.) is a behavior
- For our purposes today, we don't mean anything else, like how much memory or time a program uses.

Review: TypeScript interfaces

```
// getx(), gety() return the x,y coordinates of the point
interface AbsPoint {getx():number, gety():number}
class CartesianPoint implements AbsPoint {
    constructor (private x : number, private y : number) {}
    getx() {return this.x}
    gety() {return this.y}
// r is radius, theta is angle (in radians)
class PolarPoint implements AbsPoint {
    constructor (private r:number, private theta:number) {}
    getx() {return this.r * Math.cos(this.theta)}
    gety() {return this.r * Math.sin(this.theta)}
const point1 = new CartesianPoint(0.0, 1.0)
const point2 = new PolarPoint(1.0, Math.PI/2.0)
```

Go review your Typescript materials if you need to and then come back to this lesson...

Interfaces are where we specify behaviors

• A temperature sensor is something that returns the current temperature at the sensor's location:

```
// temperatures are measured in Celsius
type Temperature = number

interface AbsTemperatureSensor {
    // returns the current temperature at the sensor location
    getTemperature (): Temperature
}
```

• Note that the interface specifies both syntax (the method name) and the semantics (what the method returns or what it does).

We have many classes that implement the same interface

• In a kitchen, for example, we might have

```
class Model101Thermometer implements AbsTemperatureSensor {
    getTemperature () : Temperature {...}
class AmazonCheapThermometerModel2034 implements AbsTemperatureSensor {
    getTemperature () : Temperature {...}
class VikingRefrigeratorThermometerModel178 implements AbsTemperatureSensor {
    getTemperature () : Temperature {...}
                                                           These all probably
                                                           work in very
                                                           different ways!
```

But the compiler only checks syntax, not semantics

• If we defined a class that had a getTemperature method, but that did not return the temperature at the sensor location, this would not be a correct implementation of AbsTemperatureSensor. For example:

```
class NotReallyASensor implements AbsTemperatureSensor {
    getTemperature () {return 42}
}
```

Just for fun, make up 3 more classes that the compiler would accept but are not correct implementations of AbsTemperatureSenso r.

The compiler would accept this, but we shouldn't.

Remember: one interface/one job

- Just like one function/one job...
- If you have a class that needs to advertise two sets of behaviors, you can always have it implement two interfaces.
- The fancy name for this is interface segregation.

Principle 2: Depend only on behaviors, not their implementation

```
class TemperatureMonitor {
    constructor(
        private sensor: AbsTemperatureSensor,
        private maxTemp: Temperature,
        private minTemp: Temperature,
        private alarm: AbsAlarm,
    ) { }
    // if the sensor is out of range, sound the alarm
    public checkSensor(): void {
        let temp: Temperature = this.sensor.getTemperature()
        if ((temp < this.minTemp) || (temp > this.maxTemp))
        { this.alarm.soundAlarm() }
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Your new Vocabulary Word: Dependency Inversion



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Another vocabulary word: Composition



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Yet another vocabulary word: Delegation



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Principle 3: Keep Things as Private as You Can

- In general, you don't know who is using your code
- You don't want people messing with your data.
 - You might have some invariants that your code depends on, and somebody else might come in and break them.
- You don't want people depending on the details of your code.
 - If you change your details, you might break somebody else's code, which would be BAD.

Example (1)

```
// getCounter () always returns an even number
// bumpCounter (n) increases the value of the counter
interface Interface1 {
       getCounter () : number
       bumpCounter (n:number) : void
class Class1 implements Interface1 {
   private counter = 0
    // INVARIANT: counter is even
   public getCounter() { return this.counter }
   public bumpCounter (n: number): void {
       // the interface didn't say anything about what do with n.
       this.counter = this.counter + 2
```

Example (2)

```
class Class2 implements Interface1 {
   public counter = 0
    // INVARIANT: counter is even
   public getCounter() { return this.counter }
   public bumpCounter (n: number): void {
        // the interface didn't say anything about what do with n.
        this counter = this counter + 2
let o = new Class2();
o.counter++;
console.log(o.getCounter()) // prints 1
```

Example (3)

```
class Class2 implements Interface1 {
    public c = 0
    // INVARIANT: counter is even
    public getCounter() { return this.c }
    public bumpCounter (n: number): void {
        // the interface didn't say anything
        // about what do with n.
        this.c = this.c + 2
let o = new Class2();
o.counter++;  // compiler error!
console.log(o.getCounter()) // prints 1
```

Principle 4: Favor Dynamic Dispatch Over Conditionals

- We'd like to arrange things so that you can extend your system by adding code, rather than changing it.
- We already saw this in the TemperatureSensor example.
- Let's look at another example.

A Tiny Shape-Manipulation System

- We want to represent two kinds of shapes: squares and circles
- All we have to do is compute the area of a shape.

Naïve representation

```
type Shape = Square | Circle
export class Square {
    constructor (public side: number) {}
export class Circle {
    constructor (public radius: number) {}
export function area (s:Shape) : number {
    if (s instanceof Square) {
        return s.side * s.side
    } else if (s instanceof Circle) {
        return Math.PI * s.radius * s.radius
```

Let's add a new kind of shape to the system

```
// represents ncopies of base shape, arranged in a row without overlaps
export class ShapeArray {
    constructor (public base: Shape, public ncopies: number) {}
}
```

We need to modify our existing code to incorporate this

```
type Shape = Square | Circle | ShapeArray
export class Square { ... }
export class Circle { ... }
// represents ncopies of base shape, arranged in a row
export class ShapeArray {
    constructor (public base: Shape, public ncopies: number) {}
export function area (s:Shape) : number {
    if (s instanceof Square) {
        return s.side * s.side
    } else if (s instanceof Circle) {
        return Math.PI * s.radius * s.radius
    } else if (s instanceof ShapeArray) {
        return s.ncopies * area(s.base)
```

A better idea: use an interface!

```
export interface Shape {
    area() : number
export class Square implements Shape {
    constructor(private side: number) { }
    area() : number { return this.side * this.side }
export class Circle implements Shape {
    constructor (private radius: number) {}
    area() : number { return Math.PI * this.radius * this.radius}
```

This is "classic" object-oriented design

• Classic OO says: package the operations with the class.

To add a new shape, you just add code

```
// represents ncopies of base shape, arranged in a row
export class ShapeArray implements Shape {
    constructor (public base: Shape, public ncopies: number) {}
    area(): number { return this.ncopies * this.base.area() }
}
```

No need to modify existing code!

Now s.area() works on any shape

• The old code exported **area** as a function, so if we wanted, we could say

```
export function area (s:Shape) : number {
    return s.area()
    }
```

The new version works exactly like the old version

```
// import {Square, Circle, ShapeArray, area} from './area1'
import {Square, Circle, ShapeArray, area} from './area2'
describe( "tests of area", () => {
    test("test of square", () => {
        expect(area(new Square(2))).toBe(4)

    We can use the

    })
                                                           same tests for
                                                           either one.
   test("test of circle", () => {
        expect(area(new Circle(2))).toEqual(Math.PI*4)
    })
    test("test of ShapeArray", () => {
        expect(area(new ShapeArray(new Square(2), 3))).toEqual(12)
    })
   // etc
```

Adding new shapes is easy. What about adding new operations?

- Here we knew the operation(s) in advance
- What if we wanted to add new operations to an existing code base
- Need to add a new operation to the interface (easy— all in one place)
- Need to implement the new operation in each class that implements the interface (might be harder might be scattered across code base.)
- There's a solution to this, called the Visitor Pattern
 - But that's beyond the scope of this lesson.

Another vocabulary word...

- The idea that you can extend your system by adding code, rather than changing it, is called the open-closed principle.
- The system is "open" for extension but "closed" for modification.
- This is another vocabulary word for your coop interview.



Principle 5: Favor Interfaces Over Subclassing

- What happened to inheritance (subclassing) in this story?
- An interface specifies some of the behavior of the classes that implement it.
- A superclass specifies some of the algorithms of the classes that inherit from it.
 - It means that the subclasses (even those that will be added in the future) can see some of the details of your algorithm
 - Exactly what details depend on the programming language; let's see what happens in Typescript

Example: Clocks

```
export default interface AbsClock {
    // sets the time to 0
    reset():void
    // increments the time
    tick():void
    // returns the current time
    getTime():number
```

Some implementations of AbsClock

```
import AbsClock from "./AbsClock";
export class Clock1 implements AbsClock {
    private time = 0
    public reset () {this.time = 0}
    public tick () { this.time++ }
    public getTime(): number {
      return this.time
// counts down from 0
export class Clock2 implements AbsClock {
    private time = 0
    public reset () {this.time = 0}
    public tick () { this.time-- }
    public getTime () {return (0 - this.time)}
```

```
// counts up from 42
export class Clock3 implements AbsClock {
   private time = 42
   public reset () {this.time = 42}
   public tick () { this.time++ }
   public getTime () {return this.time - 42}
}
```

Implementations all
different!

Use inheritance only when there is shared implementation. Example: Three Implementations of AbsClockFactory

```
interface AbsClockFactory {
    instance() : AbsClock
    clockType : string
    numCreated() : number
class ClockFactory1
  implements AbsClockFactory {
    clockType = "Clock1"
    numCreated = 0
    public instance() : AbsClock {
        this.numCreated++;
        return new Clocks.Clock1}
    public numCreated() {
      return this.numCreated
```

```
class ClockFactory2 implements AbsClockFactory {
    clockType = "Clock2"
    numCreated = 0
    public instance() : AbsClock {
        this.numCreated++;
        return new Clocks.Clock2}
    public numCreated() {
     return this.numCreated
class ClockFactory3 implements AbsClockFactory {
    clockType = "Clock3"
    numCreated = 0
    public instance() : AbsClock {
        this.numCreated++;
        return new Clocks.Clock3}
    public numCreated() {
      return this.numCreated
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```

Factor Out Common Portions of Implementation Into a Superclass

```
abstract class ClockFactorySuperClass implements AbsClockFactory
{
   abstract clockType: string
   protected abstract buildClock(): AbsClock
   protected numCreated = 0
   public instance(): AbsClock {
        this.numCreated++;
        return this.buildClock()
   }
   public numCreated() {return this.numCreated}
}
```

Subclasses implement only the parts that vary

```
class ClockFactory1AsSubclass extends ClockFactorySuperClass
 implements AbsClockFactory {
    clockType = "Clock1"
    protected buildClock() : AbsClock {
        return new Clocks.Clock1}
class ClockFactory2AsSubclass extends ClockFactorySuperClass
 implements AbsClockFactory {
    clockType = "Clock2"
    protected buildClock() : AbsClock {
        return new Clocks.Clock2}
```

That completes our five principles



Whose principles are these?

- There are lots of lists of principles out there.
- These are ours.
- One list you should know is SOLID. This is an acronym for:
 - S: Single Responsibility
 - O: Open/Closed Principle
 - L: Liskov substitution principle (this has to do with inheritance, so it's not so important for us right now.)
 - I: Interface Segregation
 - D: Dependency Inversion
- So we've covered 4 out of 5 of these.

Another set of principles

- Abstraction
- Encapsulation
- Modularity
- Hierarchy

• These are properties that good code should have; we're more interested in what you need to do in order to write good code in the first place.

Review: Learning Objectives for this Lesson

- You should now be able to:
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