DESIGN PATTERNS



PREVIOUS COURSE

□ Refactoring

- Way refactoring
- Some refactoring examples

CURRENT COURSE

Anti – patterns

- The blob
- Poltergeist
- Golder Hamer
- Spagetty

ANTI-PATTERNS

- Pattern: good ideas
- **Refactoring: better ideas**

□ Anti-Patterns: bad ideas

- ❑ A literary form that describes a commonly occurring solution to a problem that generates decidedly negative consequences.
- May be the result of a manager or developer not knowing any better, not having sufficient knowledge or experience in solving a particular type of problem, or having applied a perfectly good pattern in the wrong context.

ANTI-PATTERNS

- Anti-pattern is a pattern that may commonly used but is ineffective and/or counerproductive in practice
- Provide a method of efficiently mapping a general situation to a specific class of solutions
- Provide real world experience in recognizing recurring problems in the software industry
- Provide a common vocabulary for identifying problems and discussing solutions.

ANTI-PATTERNS

□ Software Refactoring

A form of code modification, used to improve the software structure in support of subsequent extension and long-term maintenance.

AntiPatterns

- Define a migration (or refactoring) from negative solutions to positive solutions.
- Not only do they point out trouble, but they also tell you how to get out it.

ANTI-PATTERNS. TYPES

□ Software development

Technical problems and solutions encountered by programmers

□ Architectural

Identify and resolve common problems in how systems are structured.

□ Software project management

Address common problems in software processes and development organizations.



□ Haste

- Aggressive project deadlines and budget
- Lower acceptance levels for code quality
- Insufficient testing
- Patches
- Accumulating technical debt



□ Apathy

- Unwilling to find the proper solution
- General lack of concern or care about solving a problem



□ Narrow mindedness

Refusal to practice solutions that are otherwise wildly known to be effective



□ Sloth

Poor decisions based upon an "easy answer"



□ Avarice

Modeling of excessive/insufficient abstraction adding accidental complexity



□ Ignorance

□ Failure to seek a clear understanding of a problem or solution space (both intentional ad non-intentional)



Pride

The sin of pride is the Not-Invented-Here syndrome

SYMPTOMS. ANTI-PATTRENS

- Quick demonstration code integrated in the running system
- Obsolete or scanty documentation
- □ 50% time spent learning what the code does
- "Hesitant programmer syndrome"
- Perhaps easier to rewrite this code
- □ More likely to break it then extend it
- Cannot be reused
 - Cannot change the used library/components
 - Cannot optimize performance

Duplication

"I don't know what that piece of code was doing, so I rewrote what I thought should happen, but I cannot remove the redundant code because it breaks the system."

SYMPTOMS IN OO PROGRAMMING

□ Many OO method with no parameters

□ Suspicious class or global variable

❑ Strange relationships between classes

Process-oriented methods

- Objects with process-oriented names
- OO advantage lost

Inheritance cannot be used to extend

Polymorphism cannot be used

DESIGN PATTERNS AND ANTI-PATTERNS



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SOFTWARE BLOAT

- Successive versions of a system demand more and more resources
- □ Reason

Increase proportion of unnecessary features

- Results
 - Program use more system resources than necessary, while offering little or no benefit to its users

□ Solution

- Use plug-ins, extensions or add-ons
- Use Unix philosophy: "write programs that do one thing and do it well

PATTERNS FETISH

- □ Unreasonable and excessive use of desing pattrens
- Designers looks for places to use pattrens

□ Solution

- Look at the design problem
- □ Favor simple solutions

□ Symptoms

- Single class with many attributes and operations
- Controller class with simple, data-object classes
- Lack of OO design
- A migrated legacy design

Consequences

- Lost of OO advantages
- Too complex to reuse or test
- Expensive to load in memory

Way?



□ Solution

Identify or categorize related things

- Attributes, Operations
- Where do these categories naturally belong?
 Apply move method, move field refactorings
- Remove redundant associations











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POLTERGEISTS



Also Known As: Gypsy, Proliferation of Classes, Big Dolt Controller Class

□ Symptoms

- Small Classes with very limited responsibilities and short life cycles
- Redundant navigation paths.
- Classes with few responsibilities
- Classes with "control-like" operation names such as start_process_alpha

□ Consequences

- □ Excessive complexity
- Unstable analysis and design models
- Divergent design and implementation
- □ Lack of system extensibility

POLTERGEISTS

Example: Teach students stack class

- Rewrites all functions already existing in list class

public class LabStack<T> {

}

```
private LinkedList<T> list;
public LabStack() { list = new LinkedList<T>(); }
public boolean empty() { return list.isEmpty(); }
public T peek() throws EmptyStackException {
            if (list.isEmpty()) { throw new EmptyStackException(); }
            return list.peek();
        }
        public T pop() throws EmptyStackException {
                 if (list.isEmpty()) { throw new EmptyStackException(); }
                 return list.pop();
        }
        public void push(T element) { list.push(element); }
        public int size() { return list.size(); }
        public void makeEmpty() { list.clear(); }
        public String toString() { return list.toString(); }
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POLTERGEISTS



NEXT COURSE

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