

CS 520
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Object Oriented Design Patterns

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Today

- Recap: Object oriented design principles
- Design problems & potential solutions
- Design patterns:
 - What is a design pattern?
 - Categories of design patterns
 - Structural design patterns

Recap

Object oriented design principles

- Information hiding (and encapsulation)
- Open/closed principle
- Liskov substitution principle
- Composition/aggregation over inheritance

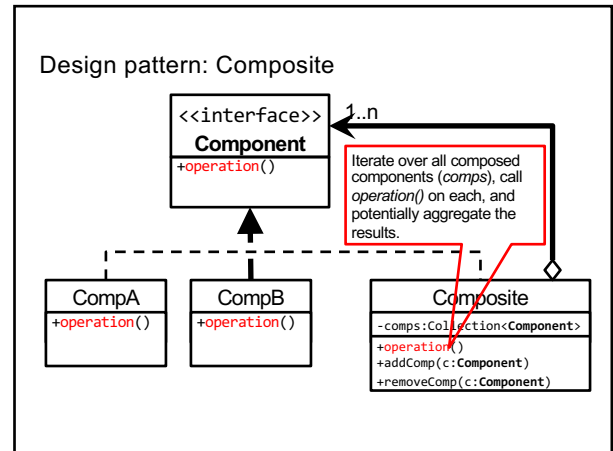
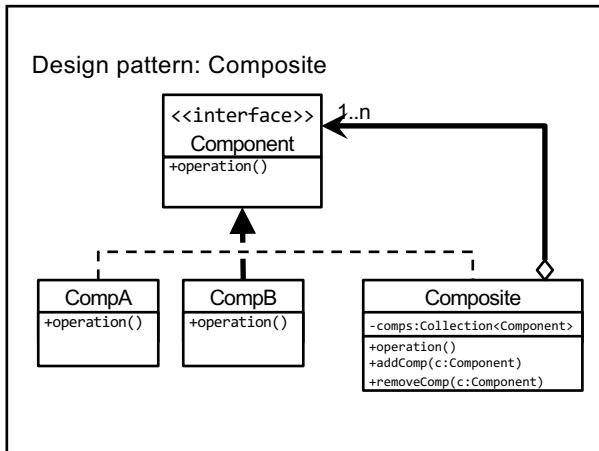
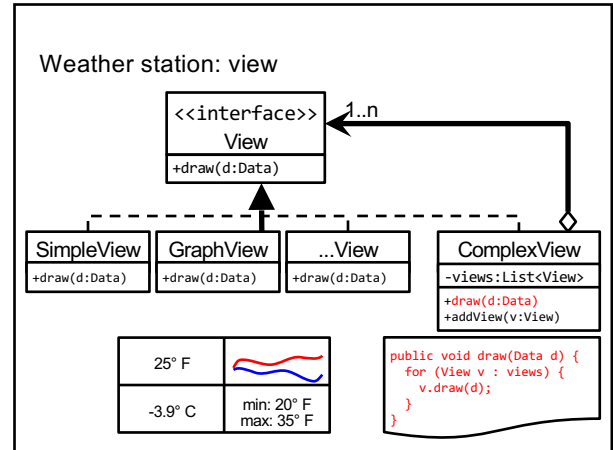
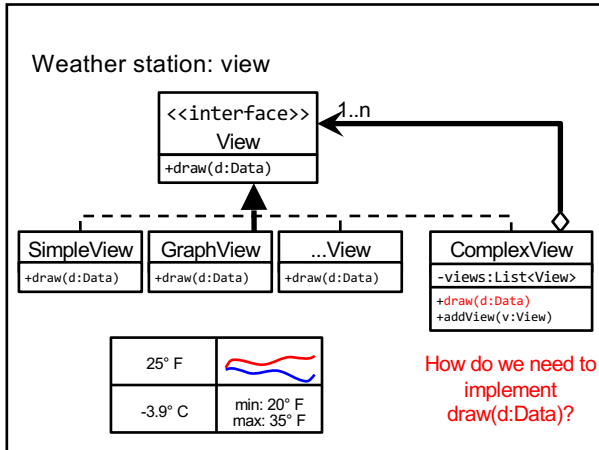
A first design problem

Weather station revisited

Model View Controller: example

Simple weather station

What's a good design for the view?



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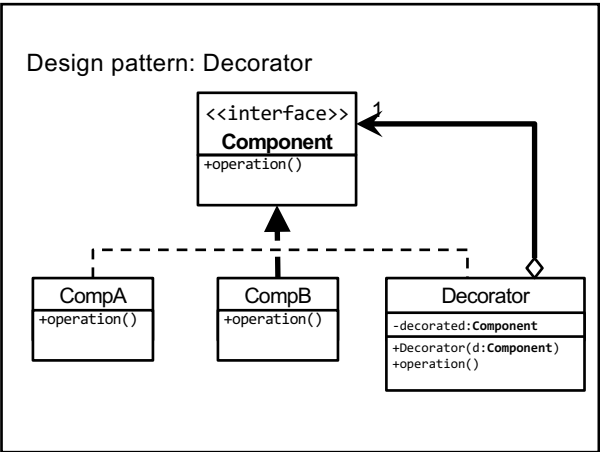
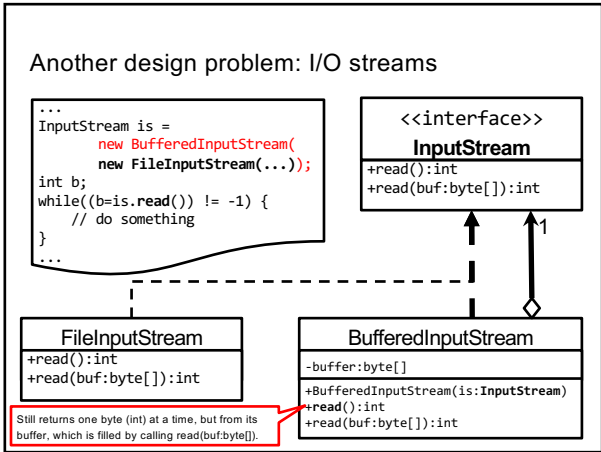
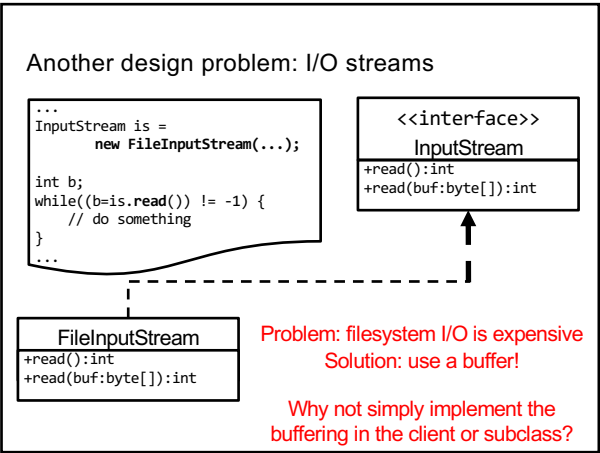
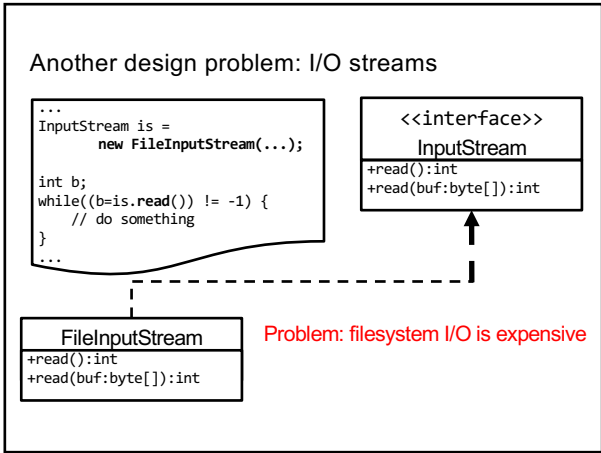
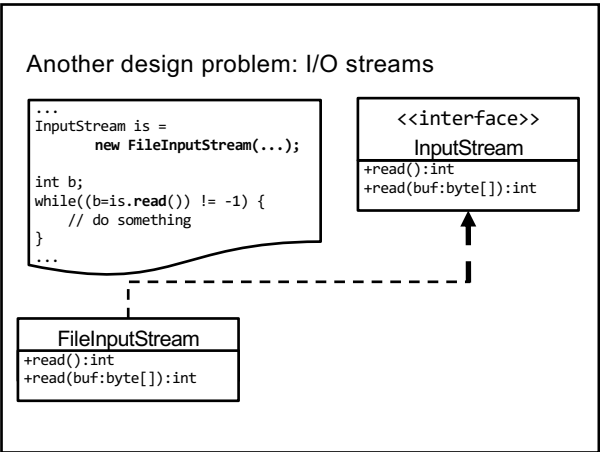
- Improves communication and documentation.
- "Toolbox" for novice developers.

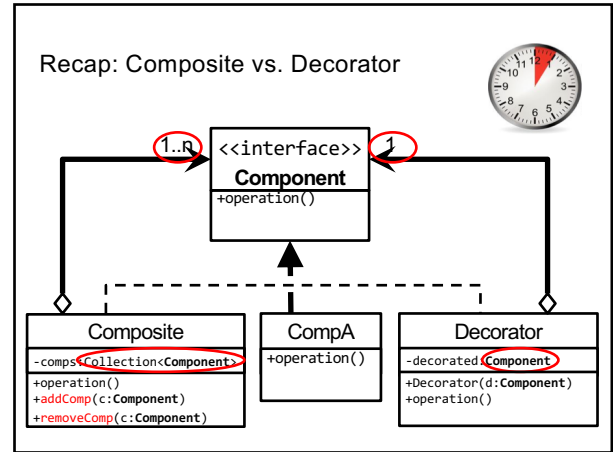
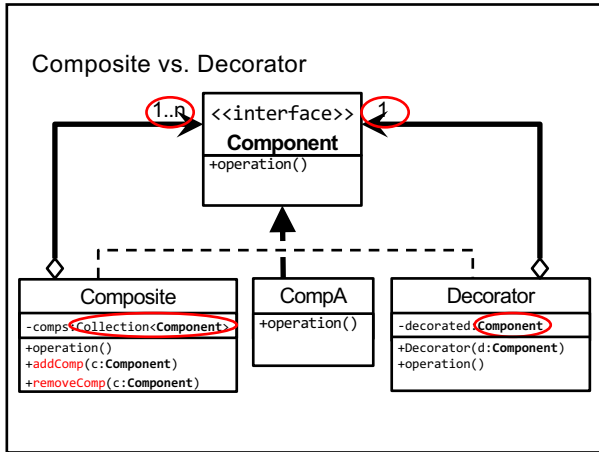
Cons

- Risk of over-engineering.
- Potential impact on system performance.

More than just a name for common sense and best practices.

- Design patterns: categories
1. Structural
 - Composite
 - Decorator
 - ...
 2. Behavioral
 - Template method
 - Visitor
 - ...
 3. Creational
 - Singleton
 - Factory (method)
 - ...





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1. Sort array
2. if n is odd return $((n+1)/2)$ th element
 otherwise return arithmetic mean of $(n/2)$ th element and $((n/2)+1)$ th element

Median computation: naive solution

```

public static void main(String ... args) {
    System.out.println(median(1,2,3,4,5));
}

public static double median(double ... numbers) {
    int n = numbers.length;
    boolean swapped = true;
    while(swapped) {
        swapped = false;
        for (int i = 1; i < n; ++i) {
            if (numbers[i-1] > numbers[i]) {
                ...
                swapped = true;
            }
        }
    }
    if (n%2 == 0) {
        return (numbers[(n/2) - 1] + numbers[n/2]) / 2;
    } else {
        return numbers[n/2];
    }
}
    
```

What's wrong with this design?
 How can we improve it?

Ways to improve

- 1: Monolithic version, static context.
- 2: Extracted sorting method, non-static context.
- 3: Proper package structure and visibility, extracted main method.
- 4: Proper testing infrastructure and build system.

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Another solution: **strategy pattern**

"median" delegates the sorting of the array to a "sortStrategy"

Template method pattern vs. strategy pattern

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What are the differences, pros, and cons?

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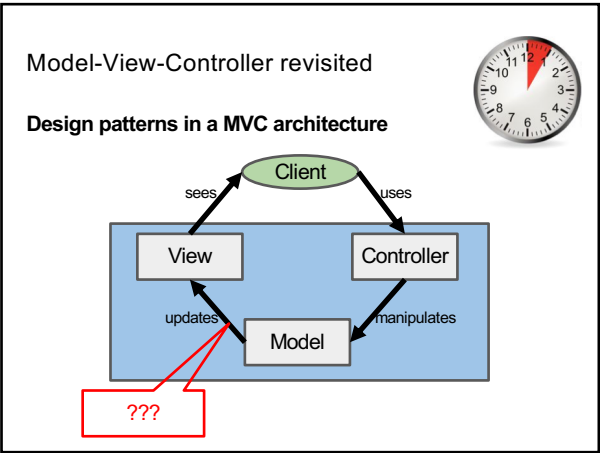
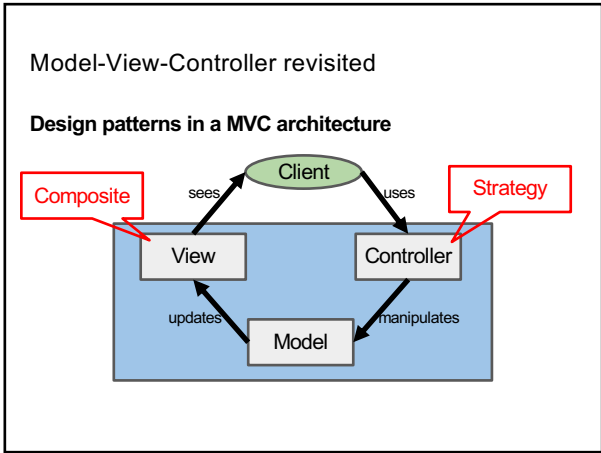
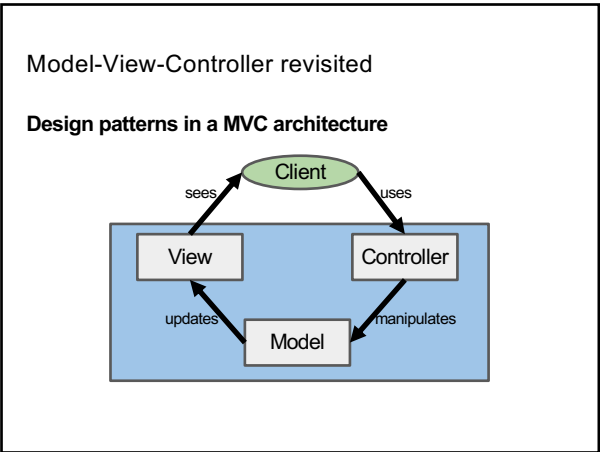
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Template method

- Behavior selected at compile time.
- Template method is usually final.

Strategy

- Behavior selected at runtime.
- Composition/aggregation over inheritance.



Observer pattern

Observer pattern

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **observer pattern** is a software design pattern in which an object, called the **subject**, maintains a list of its dependents, called **observers**, and notifies them automatically of any state changes, usually by calling one of their methods.

- Problem solved:
 - A one-to-many dependency between objects should be defined without making the objects tightly coupled.
 - When one object changes state, an open-ended number of dependent objects are updated automatically.
 - One object can notify an open-ended number of other objects.

