CSC 335: Object-Oriented Programming and Design

Pattern-Oriented Design

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Design Patterns Explained

A New Perspective on Object-Oriented Design

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Using Patterns to Design

- ◆ There are 23 Object-Oriented design patterns cataloged in the GoF book--we've considered 10 so far (Fall 09)
 - Iterator, Observer, Strategy, Composite, Singleton,
 Flyweight, Command, Template, Chain of Responsibility,
 Decorator
- We'll use some patterns to help design a system
 - The new case study is in electronic retailing over the internet (*An Ecommerce system*)
 - Several design decisions will be aided by knowledge of existing design patterns
 - at a fairly high level of abstraction

Plan too much, plan ahead, or don't plan at all?

- Development of software systems can suffer from analysis paralysis: attempt to consider all possible changes in the future
- At other times developers jump to code too quickly
 - there is tremendous pressure to deliver, not maintain
- ◆ Life's three certainties for software developers
 - Death, Taxes, and Changes in Requirements
- ◆ There is a middle ground for planning for change

How will change occur

- First, anticipate that changes will occur
- Consider *where* they will change, rather than the exact nature of the changes
- ◆ These issues will come up in the Ecommerce case study

What is variable in the design?

- Consider what is variable in your design
 - Instead of focusing on what might force a change to your design
 - Consider what you might want to change
 - Encapsulate the concept that varies
 - this is a theme of many design patterns
- ◆ Hopefully there are long term benefits without a lot of extra work up front

00 Design Patterns Used

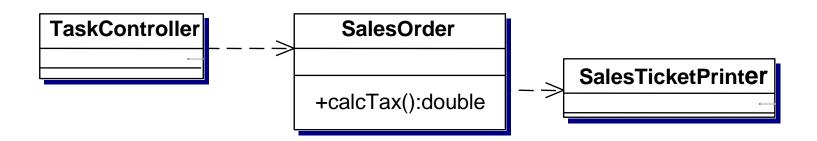
- In the upcoming case study, these design patterns will help make for a system that is good design
 - Strategy
 - Singleton
 - Decorator
 - Observer
- ◆ We've considered all four

An Ecommerce System

- ◆ There is a TaskController object that handles sales requests over the internet
- ◆ When the sales order is requested, the controller delegates to a SalesOrder object

Assign Responsibilities

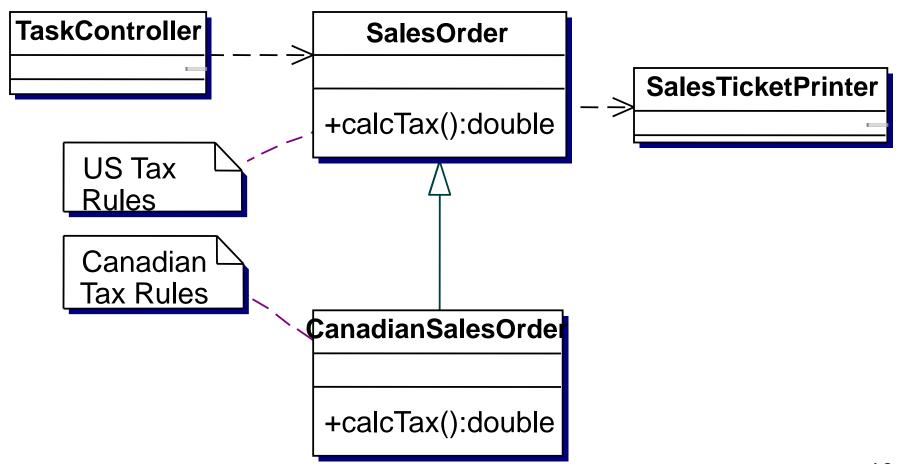
- SalesOrder responsibilities:
 - Allow users to make an order using GUI input
 - Process the order
 - Print a sales receipt



Changing Requirements

- Start charging taxes on order from customers
- need to add rules for taxation, but how?
 - modify existing SalesOrder to handle
 U.S. taxes
 - extend the existing SalesOrder object and modify the tax rules so it applies to the new country
 - This is an inheritance solution

Subclassing Solution



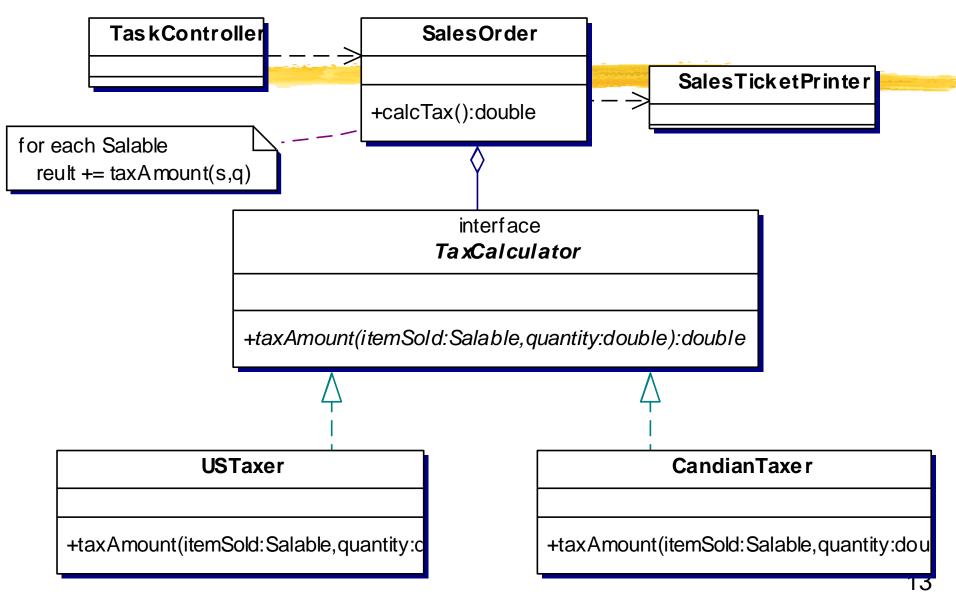
Favor Composition Over Inheritance

- ◆ Design pattern theme of composition over inheritance is ignored in previous design
- Here is a different approach
 - consider what is variable in the design
 - encapsulate the concept the varies
- Accept the fact that tax rules vary country to country and state to state and county to county, and sometimes city to city (like in Arizona) and they change

Alternate Designs

- Or use an abstract class with an abstract double calcTax() and many classes in a hierarchy
- Or design an interface to be implemented by different classes using different algorithms
 - Then have SalesOrder contain a reference to the correct object (composition over inheritance)

A Better Design with Strategy



Why does Strategy make this design better?

- Better Cohesion (hangs together)
 - sales tax details are in its own class
- Easy to add tax rules from different countries
- Easier to shift responsibilities
 - In the first design where CanadianSalesOrder extends USSalesOrder, only TaskController is able to determine which type of sales order to use
 - With Strategy, either TaskController or SalesOrder could set the TaxCalculator

Determine What Varies

- ◆ What Varies?
 - The business rules for taxation
- ◆ Current design handles variations at least as well as the other design design
- Current design will handle future variations as well
- ◆ A family of tax calculation algorithms have been encapsulated as objects, they are interchangeable,
 - Strategy pattern applied in an Ecommerce system

Using the Strategy Pattern

- What happens when EnglishTaxer is added
 - In England, old-age pensioners are not required to pay taxes on sales items
- ◆ How can this be handled?
 - 1) Pass age of the Customer to TaxCalculator object
 - 2) Be more general and pass a Customer object
 - 3) Be even more general and pass a reference to the SalesOrder object (this) to the TaxCalculator and let that EnglishStrategy object ask SalesOrder for customer age (post some html to the client)

Is this change bad?

- ◆ To handle this new requirement, SalesOrder and TaxCalculator have to be modified
 - But the change is small and certainly doable
 - Not likely to cause a new problem
- If a Strategy needs more information, pass the information to the object as an argument
 - Some objects may ignore the extra parameter
- Strategy can be applied anywhere you hear this
 - "At different times, different rules apply"

Singleton Pattern

- Singleton Ensure a class only has one instance and provide a global point of access to it
- ◆ The singleton pattern works by having a special method that is used to instantiate the object
 - when called, the method checks to see if the object has already been instantiated
 - it returns the singleton if instantiated or constructs a new one if this is the first call to get the instance
 - to guarantee this, have a private constructor

Using Singleton

- TaxCalculators are currently encapsulated as Strategy objects
 - How many USTaxer objects are required in this system? How many CanadianTaxers?

• Forces:

- The same object is being used over and over again
- More efficient to avoid instantiating them and throwing them away again and again
- Doing all at once could be slow to start up
 - Could instantiate these objects as needed

Only want one when needed

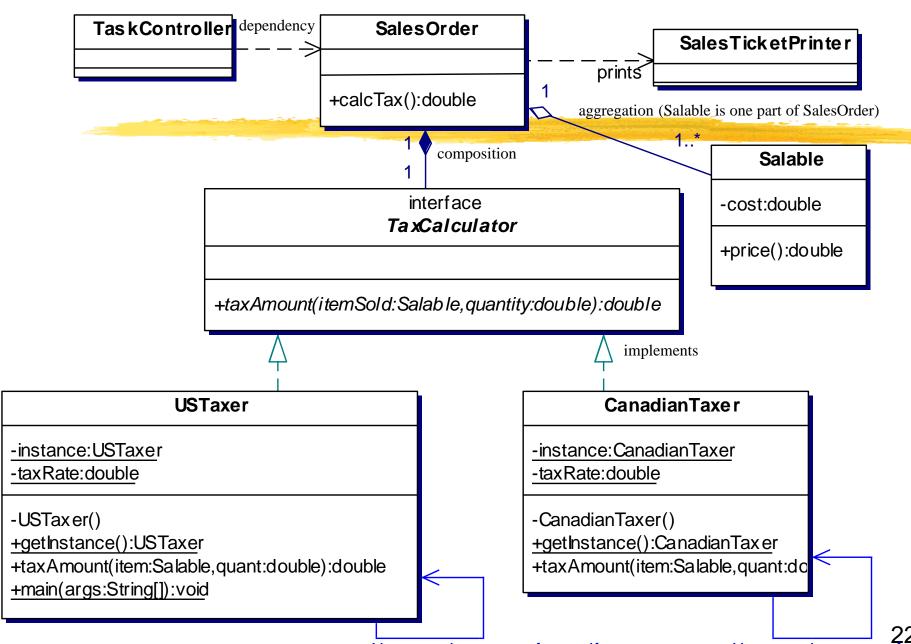
◆ Don't need more than one instance of each TaxCalculator class

• Solution:

- Let Strategy objects handle the instantiation
- Let there be only one instance
- Don't concern clients (SalesOrder) over this detail
- In other words, use the Singleton design pattern

USTaxer is now a Singleton

```
public class USTaxer implements TaxCalculator {
  private static USTaxer instance; // Only one
 private static double taxRate;
 private USTaxer() {
    taxRate = 0.06; // greatly simplified
  public static USTaxer getInstance() {
    if (instance == null)
      instance = new USTaxer();
    return instance;
 public double taxAmount(Salable item, double quan) {
    return 0; // TODO: Implement tax algorithm
```



Aggregation vs. Composition

Definitions from the Unified Modeling Language Guide

- **Aggregation** A special form of association that specifies a whole/part relationship between the aggregate (the whole) and a component (the part)
 - When a class has an instance variable
- ◆ Composition A form of aggregation with strong ownership. Once a component is created, its lives and dies with its whole ◆
 - A TaxCalculator object is only necessary with a SalesOrder not used elsewhere

Other Patterns applied

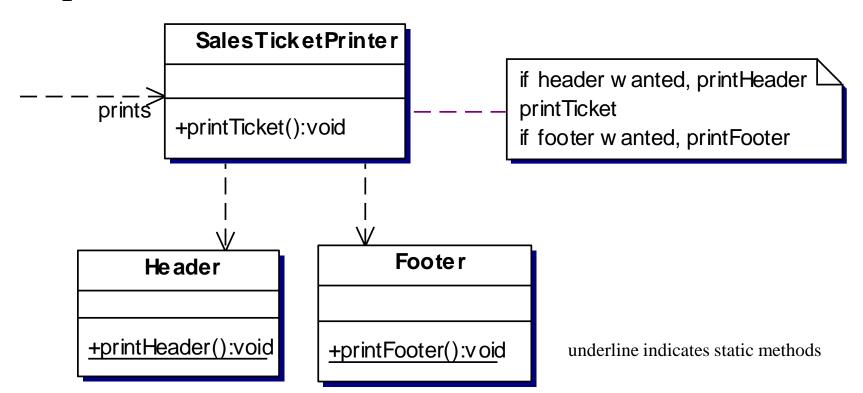
- ◆ In the Ecommerce system, we will now
 - "Decorate" a SalesTicket and
 - "Observe" a Customer

Decorate SalesTicketPrinter

- ◆ Assume the SalesTicketPrinter currently creates an html sales receipt *Airline Ticket*
- New Requirement: Add header with company name, add footer that is an advertisement, during the holidays add holiday relevant header(s) and footer(s), we're not sure how many
- One solution
 - Place control in SalesTicketPrinter
 - Then you need flags to control what header(s) get printed

One Solution

◆ This works well if there are few header and footer options or perhaps just add a few private helper methods



Strategy Pattern?

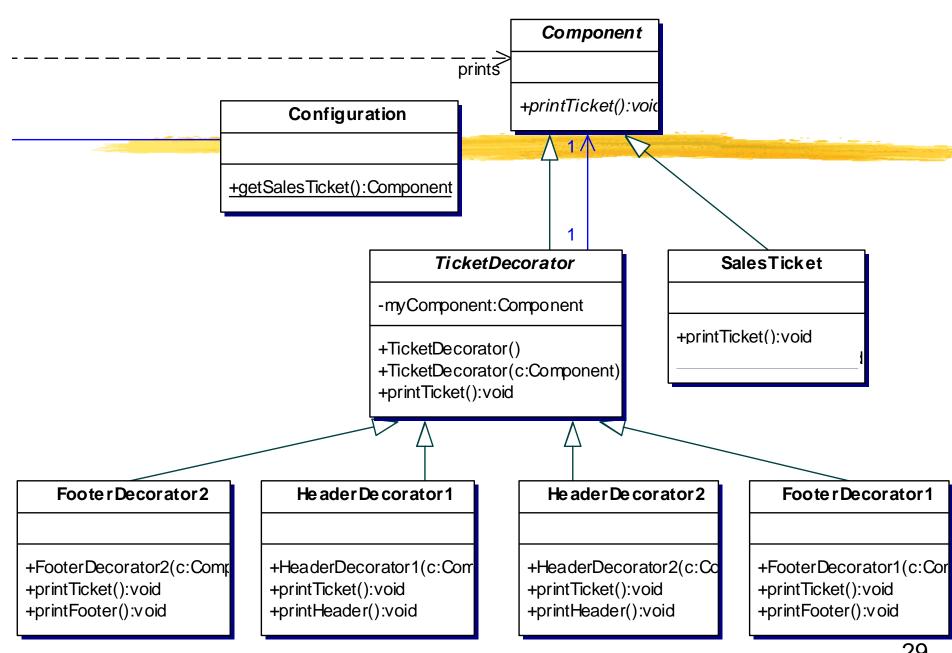
- ◆ If there are many types of headers and footers, with only one being printed each time, use Strategy
- ◆ If there are more than one header and footer, and the ordering changes, and the number of combinations grows,
 - use the Decorator design pattern to chain together the desired functionality in the correct order needed

Decorator Again

- ◆ Decorator *summary repeated* Attach additional Responsibilities to an object dynamically
- GoF book states: Decorators provide a flexible alternative to subclassing for functionality
- Start chain with decorators, end with original object



Example:



A Simple SalesTicket

```
abstract class Component {
  abstract public void printTicket();
// Instances of this class are sales tickets
// that may be decorated
class SalesTicket extends Component {
  @Override
 public void printTicket() {
    // Hard coded here, but simpler than
    // adding a new Customer class . . .
    System.out.println("Customer: Kim");
    System.out.println("The sales ticket itself");
    System.out.println("Total: $123.45");
```

TicketDecorator

```
abstract class TicketDecorator extends Component {
  private Component myComponent;
  public TicketDecorator() {
   myComponent = null;
  public TicketDecorator(Component c) {
   myComponent = c;
  @Override
  public void printTicket() {
    if (myComponent != null)
      myComponent.printTicket();
```

A Header Decorator

```
class HeaderDecorator1 extends TicketDecorator {
  public HeaderDecorator1(Component c) {
    super(c);
  @Override
  public void printTicket() {
    this.printHeader();
    super.printTicket();
  public void printHeader() {
    System.out.println("@@ Header One @@");
```

A Footer Decorator

```
class FooterDecorator1 extends TicketDecorator {
  public FooterDecorator1(Component c) {
    super(c);
  @Override
  public void printTicket() {
    super.printTicket();
    this.printFooter();
  public void printFooter() {
    System.out.println("%% FOOTER one %%");
```

A Client

```
public class Client {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      Component myST = Configuration.getSalesTicket();
      myST.printTicket();
   }
}
```

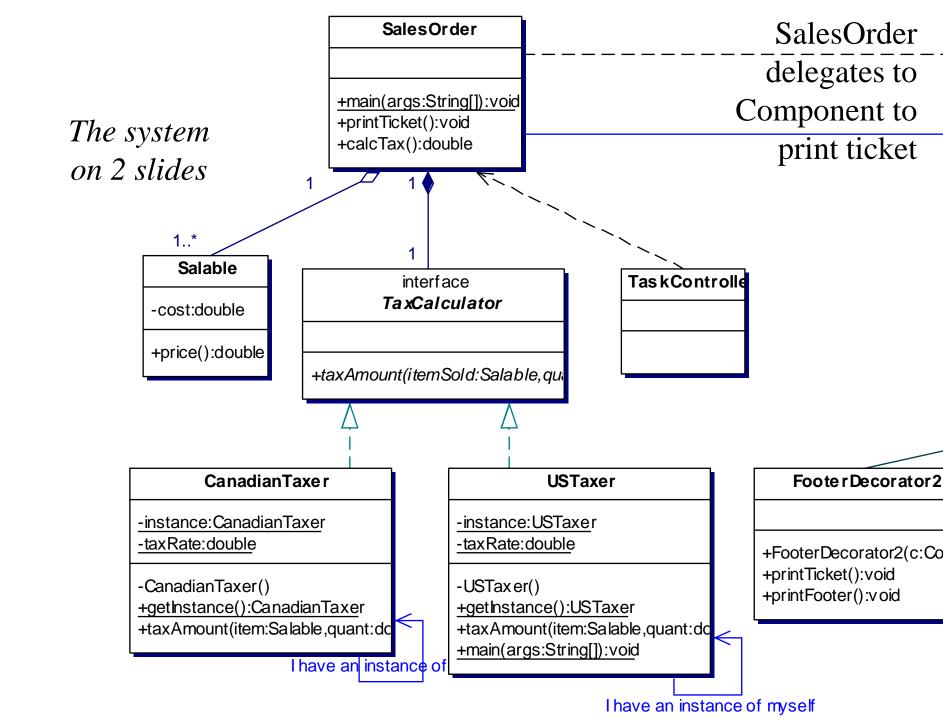
Simple Configuration

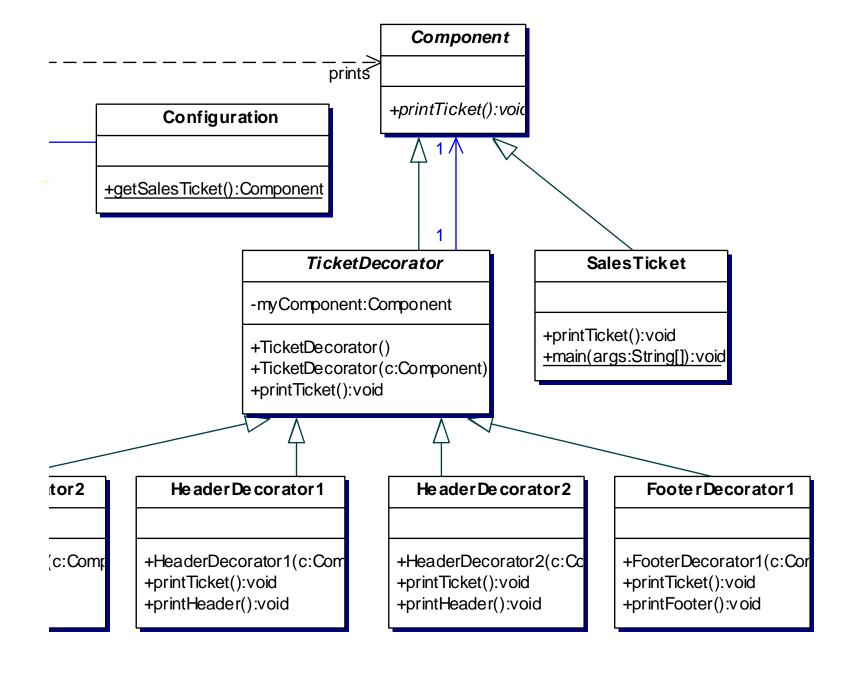
```
// This method determines how to decorate SalesTicket
class Configuration {
 public static Component getSalesTicket() {
    // Return a decorated SalesTicket
    return
       new HeaderDecorator1(
         new HeaderDecorator2(
            new FooterDecorator2(
              new FooterDecorator1 (
                    new SalesTicket()
```

Output with Current Configuration

Output:

```
@@ Header One @@
>> Header Two <<
Customer: Bob
The sales ticket itself
Total: $123.45
%% FOOTER one %%
## FOOTER two ##</pre>
```

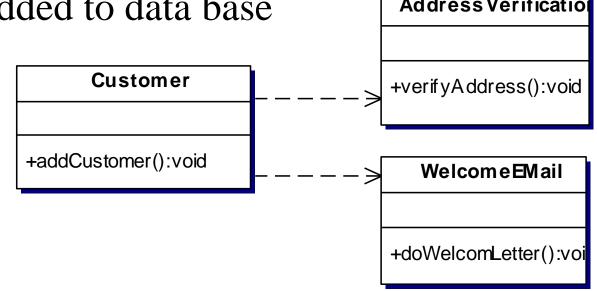




Observe Customer

- New Requirements: Send an email to a new customer and verify the customer's address with the post office
- ◆ If this was it, hard code Customer behavior when being added to data base

 Address Verification



Or Use Observer

- With additional behaviors (such as send advertisements via snail mail), there may be a changing list of objects that need notification that a new customer is being added
- ◆ These objects will have different interfaces
 - SendEmail, SendCouponsViaSnailMail,
 SellPrivateInformationToTelemarketers,
- Next up: change two objects into "Observers"

Observer

- ◆ Have Customer extend Observable
- Have all of the objects that need notification implement Observer (all have the update method)
- Have some configurer add the correct observers to the Customer object with addObservers
- Have the addCustomer method send the message notifyObservers

Design with Observer

