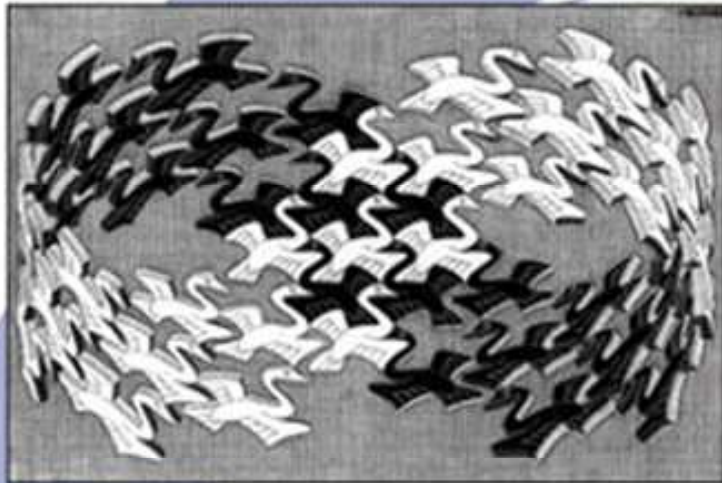


# Design Patterns

Elements of Reusable  
Object-Oriented Software

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## Creational Patterns

**Abstract Factory (87)** Provide an interface for creating families of related or dependent objects without specifying their concrete classes.

**Builder (97)** Separate the construction of a complex object from its representation so that the same construction process can create different representations.

**Factory Method (107)** Define an interface for creating an object, but let subclasses decide which class to instantiate. Factory Method lets a class defer instantiation to subclasses.

**Prototype (117)** Specify the kinds of objects to create using a prototypical instance, and create new objects by copying this prototype.

**Singleton (127)** Ensure a class only has one instance, and provide a global point of access to it.

## Structural Patterns

**Adapter (139)** Convert the interface of a class into another interface clients expect. Adapter lets classes work together that couldn't otherwise because of incompatible interfaces.

**Bridge (151)** Decouple an abstraction from its implementation so that the two can vary independently.

**Composite (163)** Compose objects into tree structures to represent part-whole hierarchies. Composite lets clients treat individual objects and compositions of objects uniformly.

**Decorator (175)** Attach additional responsibilities to an object dynamically. Decorators provide a flexible alternative to subclassing for extending functionality.

**Facade (185)** Provide a unified interface to a set of interfaces in a subsystem. Facade defines a higher-level interface that makes the subsystem easier to use.

**Flyweight (195)** Use sharing to support large numbers of fine-grained objects efficiently.

**Proxy (207)** Provide a surrogate or placeholder for another object to control access to it.

## Behavioral Patterns

**Chain of Responsibility (223)** Avoid coupling the sender of a request to its receiver by giving more than one object a chance to handle the request. Chain the receiving objects and pass the request along the chain until an object handles it.

**Command (233)** Encapsulate a request as an object, thereby letting you parameterize clients with different requests, queue or log requests, and support undoable operations.

**Interpreter (243)** Given a language, define a representation for its grammar along with an interpreter that uses the representation to interpret sentences in the language.

**Iterator (257)** Provide a way to access the elements of an aggregate object sequentially without exposing its underlying representation.

**Mediator (273)** Define an object that encapsulates how a set of objects interact. Mediator promotes loose coupling by keeping objects from referring to each other explicitly, and it lets you vary their interaction independently.

**Memento (283)** Without violating encapsulation, capture and externalize an object's internal state so that the object can be restored to this state later.

**Observer (293)** Define a one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all its dependents are notified and updated automatically.

**State (305)** Allow an object to alter its behavior when its internal state changes. The object will appear to change its class.

**Strategy (315)** Define a family of algorithms, encapsulate each one, and make them interchangeable. Strategy lets the algorithm vary independently from clients that use it.

**Template Method (325)** Define the skeleton of an algorithm in an operation, deferring some steps to subclasses. Template Method lets subclasses redefine certain steps of an algorithm without changing the algorithm's structure.

**Visitor (331)** Represent an operation to be performed on the elements of an object structure. Visitor lets you define a new operation without changing the classes of the elements on which it operates.

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