

First Model, then Function — on the value of objects

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should be a model of
relevant concepts and phenomena
from the problem domain

Object-oriented design

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People at a university. Organize into categories

university member
student
grad
undergrad
nondegree
faculty
prof
...
staff
...

is-a relation

Make B a subclass of C if
every B is a C

Subclass principle

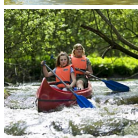
Structure classes so that behavior common to several classes can be defined in a superclass of those classes

Overview

Function first, or model first?

- One problem
- Two solutions: a bad and a good
- Very black and white
- Exaggeration promotes understanding

The Coming of Showboat Inc., (2)



Showboat Inc. and Contractors



Daniel von Schneider

own,
manage
company

At the beach,
rent out boats



Sailor Sam



John H. Acker

freelance
programmer

promising
employee
of software
firm



Scarlett Olivia Oakley Patton
(Scoop)

Requirements

- von Schneider requests a decision support system for strategic planning
- The system must be able to deliver a daily report
 - number of sessions (hires) of the day
 - average duration of each session
- von Schneider asks for bids ... John H. Acker wins

Function First



- John H. Acker is smart, very smart!
- Realizes he can get by with a two-variable state space
 - n : number of finished sessions
 - $totalTime$: sum of duration of finished sessions
- Maintaining n is easy
 - finish a session? Increment n
- Maintaining $totalTime$ is less trivial...

“Clever” Calculations...



s_i : start time for session i
 e_i : end time for session i
 duration of session i : $(e_i - s_i)$

$totalTime$
 = { definition }
 $(e_1 - s_1) + (e_2 - s_2) + \dots + (e_n - s_n)$
 = { remove parentheses }
 $e_1 - s_1 + e_2 - s_2 + \dots + e_n - s_n$
 = { re-ordering }
 $e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n - s_1 - s_2 - \dots - s_n$

Start of session: $totalTime = totalTime - currentTime$
 End of session: $totalTime = totalTime + currentTime$

Use of the System



Sailor Sam



von Schneider

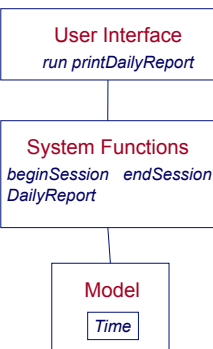
Control panel



```
*****
*   SHOWBOAT Inc   *
*****
Daily Report   21 Apr 2008   22:29

Number of Sessions:      5
Average rental time:     00:12:02
*****
```

J. H. Acker's Software Architecture



Time:
 general class in a class library;
 not domain specific

```

classDiagram
    class Time {
        Time()
        Time(int t)
        Time add(Time t)
        Time subtract(Time t)
        Time divide(int n)
        ...
    }
  
```

System Functions



```

private int n= 0; // no of sessions System state
private Time totalTime= new Time(0); // ...

/** Start a session at the current time */
public void beginSession() {
    Time now= new Time();
    totalTime= totalTime.subtract(now);
}

/** End a session at the current time */
public void endSession() {
    Time now= new Time();
    totalTime= totalTime.add(now); n= n + 1;
}

/** Print a report */
public void doDailyReport() {
    Time avgTime;
    if (n != 0) avgTime= totalTime.divide(n);
    else avgTime= new Time(0);
    printDailyReport(n, avgTime);
}
  
```

User Interface



```
/** ShowBoat Session Manager ... */
public static void run() {
    char command= '.';
    int sessionNr= 0;

    command= getChar();
    while (command != '.') {
        if (command == 's') {
            f.beginSession();
        }
        if (command == 'e') {
            f.endSession();
        }
        command= getChar();
    }
    printDailyReport(f.doDailyReport());
}
```

Two Months Later



- von Schneider is pleased with system but quickly gets new ideas...
- von Schneider asks John H. Acker to make a few harmless extensions to the daily report to make it more ... interesting:
 - duration of the longest session of the day :- (
 - an extra report at noon :- (
 - distribution of load during the day :- (
 - ... :- (:- (:- (
 - the maximum number of concurrent sessions :-)

John H. Acker Rules **No More**

Scarlett Olivia Oakley Patton's Object-Oriented Perspective



- John H. Acker's system: developed solely by focusing on functional requirements of the system
- No software representation of concepts and phenomena in the problem domain
- Foundation of system should be a model of **relevant concepts and phenomena from the problem domain**
- **Relevance**: determined by the requirements specification
- But what are the relevant concepts...?

The Key Concept: Session



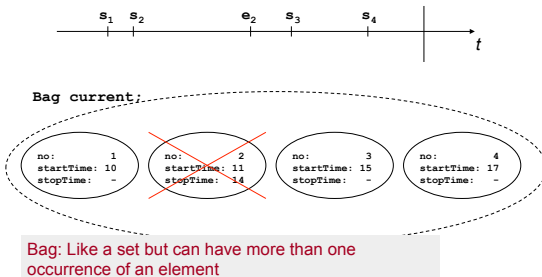
- Relevant concepts: found in requirements spec (functional requirements)
 - no. **sessions** (hires) per day
 - average **session** duration
- Both requirements expressed in terms: **session**
- Central property of a session **duration**
- Must be able to **start** and **stop** a session
- Must be able to **identify** sessions (unique id)

```
class Session {
    /** Constr: session with id n,
     * start/stop times of 0 */
    public Session (int n) {
        /** = session id */
        public int id() {
            /** Start session now */
            public void start() {
                /** End session now */
                public void stop() {
                    /** = duration of session.
                     * Pre: session is stopped */
                    public Time duration() {
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Session Objects



A session object for each unfinished session:



Use of the System



Sailor Sam



von Schneider

Control panel

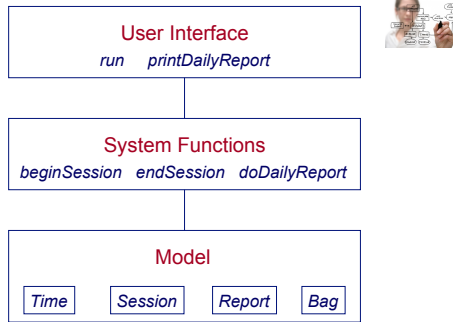
Start End Day over

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9
		0

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Scarlett's Software Architecture



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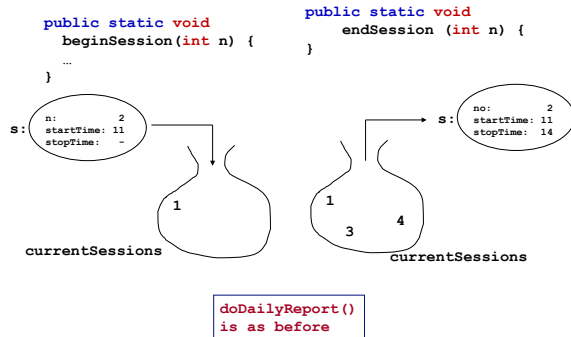
```

public static void run() {
    char command= '.';
    int sessionNo= 0;

    command= getChar();
    while (command != '.') {
        switch (command) {
            case 's': case 'S':
                sessionNo= session(sessionNo); break;
            case 'e': case 'E':
                sessionNo= endSession(sessionNo); break;
            case 'r': case 'R':
                printDailyReport(f.doDailyReport()); break;
        }
        command= getChar();
    }
}
    
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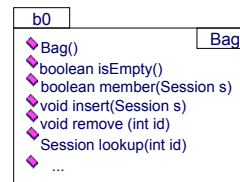
As before (almost)

System Functions



Bag

Bag is a general class in a class library;
like Time, it is not a domain specific class



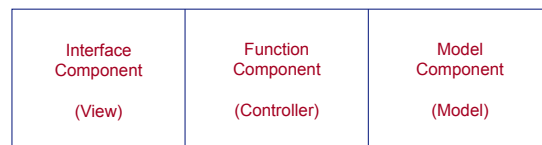
An object, from
pt of view of
the user

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- Calls Scarlett OOP and asks her to make a few harmless extensions to the daily report to make it more ... interesting:
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A (logical) Three Tier Architecture



more dynamic ← → more static