

# Software Engineering and Architecture

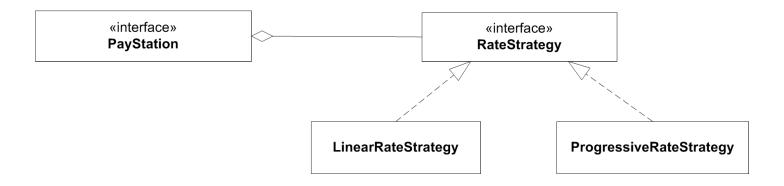
Deriving State Pattern
Combining Behavior



#### New requirement

Gammatown County wants:

"In weekdays we need Alphatown rate (linear); in weekends Betatown rate (progressive)"



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#### **Exercise**

"In weekdays we need Alphatown rate (linear); in weekends Betatown rate (progressive)"

Exercise: How?





### Same Analysis

- Model 1:
  - Source tree copy
    - Now three copies to maintain
- Model 2:
  - Parametric

- Model 3:
  - Polymorphic but ???
- Model 4:
  - Compositional but how?

```
if (town == Town.ALPHATOWN) {
   timeBought = insertedSoFar * 2 / 5;
} else if (town == Town.BETATOWN) {
   [BetaTown implementation]
} else if (town == Town.GAMMATOWN) {
   [GammaTown implementation]
}
```



But...

I will return to the analysis shortly, but first...

#### I have a problem!

- I want to do TDD because automated tests feel good…
- But how can I write test first when the outcome of a GammaTown rate strategy… depends on the day of the week???



### **Tricky Requirement**

The test case for AlphaTown:

```
Unit under test: Rate calculation

Input

pay = 500 cent

Expected output

200 min.

// Given a paystation

// When I enter 50 cents

ps. addPayment(coinValue: 25);

ps. addPayment(coinValue: 25);
```

... but how does it look for GammaTown?

```
Unit under test: Rate calculation

Input

pay = 500 cent day = Monday
pay = 500 cent day = Sunday

pay = 500 cent day = Sunday

150 min.
```

```
// Given a paystation
// When I enter 50 cents
ps.addPayment( coinValue: 25 , Monday) ???
ps.addPayment( coinValue: 25);
```

## Direct and Indirect Parameters AARHUS UNIVERSITET

The day of the week is called an indirect parameter to the calculateTime method

It is not an instance variable of the object

- It is not a parameter to the method

```
public class StandardPayStation implements PayStation {
  private int insertedSoFar; 2 usages
  private int timeBought; 3 usages
  private RateStrategy rateStrategy; 1 usage
```

```
// Given a paystation
// When I enter 50 cents
ps.addPayment(coinValue: 25);
ps.addPayment(coinValue: 25);
```

- It cannot be set by our JUnit code ⊗
  - It is 'set' by the computer's clock
    - That is, a parameter set *indirectly* by something *outside* our JUnit test code...



#### Solutions?

I initially do this in the book...

- So what to do?
  - Come in on weekends?
    - Manual testing!
  - Set the clock?
    - Manual testing!
    - Messes up Gradle as it depends on the clock going forward!
  - Refactor code to make Pay Station accept a Date object?
    - No pay stations must continuously ask for date objects every time a new coin is entered…
- I will return to this problem set soon...



# Polymorphic Solutions to the GammaTown Challenge

Using class inheritance



#### **Premise**

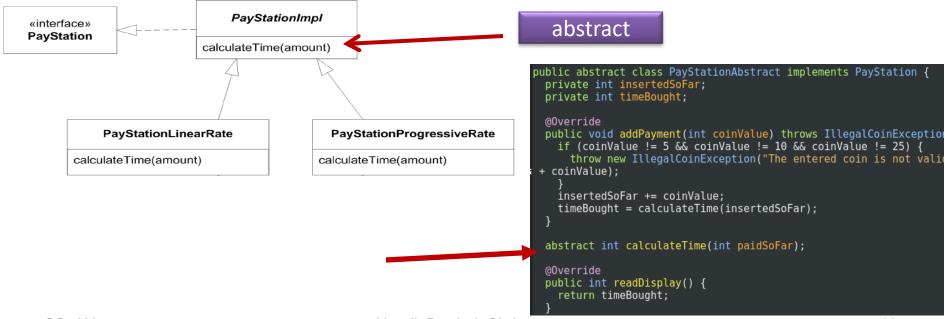
 Let us assume that we have developed the polymorphic solution to handle BetaTown!

 That is: forget the Strategy based solution we did last time for the next analysis...



## Reviewing the Polymorphic

- So how did the polymorphic solution look like:
  - Make PayStationImpl abstract, calculateTime abstract
  - Two subclasses, one for linear and one for progressive





#### The Concrete Classes

```
public class PayStationLinear extends PayStationAbstract {
   @Override
   int calculateTime(int paidSoFar) {
     return paidSoFar / 5 * 2;
   }
}
```

AlphaTown = Linear

BetaTown = Progressive

```
public class PayStationProgressiveRate extends PayStationAbstract {
 @Override
  protected int calculateTime(int paidSoFar) {
    int time = 0;
    if (paidSoFar >= 150+200) { // from 2nd hour onwards
     paidSoFar -= 350;
      time = 120 + paidSoFar / 5;
     else if (paidSoFar >= 150) { // from 1st to 2nd hour
     paidSoFar -= 150;
     time = 60 + paidSoFar *3 / 10;
    } else { // up to first hour
      time = paidSoFar / 2 * 5;
    return time;
```



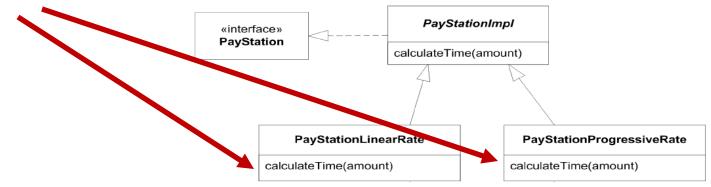
## The Big Challenge

```
public class PayStationLinear extends PayStationAbstract {
   @Override
   int calculateTime(int paidSoFar) {
     return paidSoFar / 5 * 2;
   }
}
```

 How do I make a subclass which has both these algorithms?

```
public class PayStationProgressiveRate extends PayStationAbstract {
    @Override
    protected int calculateTime(int paidSoFar) {
        int time = 0;
        if (paidSoFar >= 150+200) { // from 2nd hour onwards
            paidSoFar -= 350;
            time = 120 + paidSoFar / 5;
        } else if (paidSoFar >= 150) { // from 1st to 2nd hour
            paidSoFar -= 150;
            time = 60 + paidSoFar *3 / 10;
        } else { // up to first hour
            time = paidSoFar / 2 * 5;
        }
        return time;
    }
}
```

– They are in two different classes!!!





### **Our Polymorphic Options**

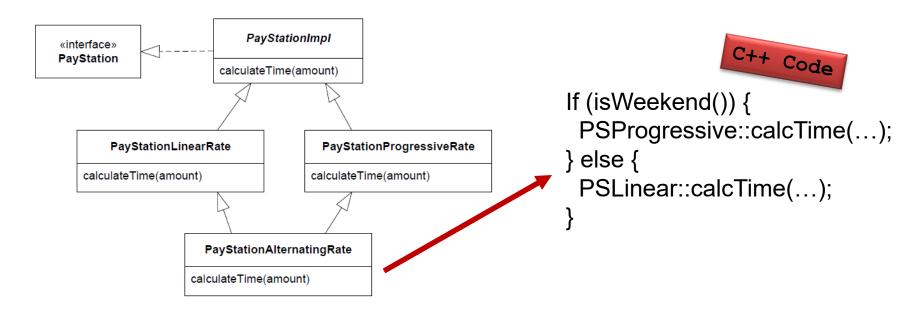
Insisting on subclasses, what can we do?



#### Model 3a: Multiple Inheritance

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Subclass and override!



- Could work in C++, but not Java(\*) or C#;
  - My experience with fork-join hierarchies in C++ are bad ☺

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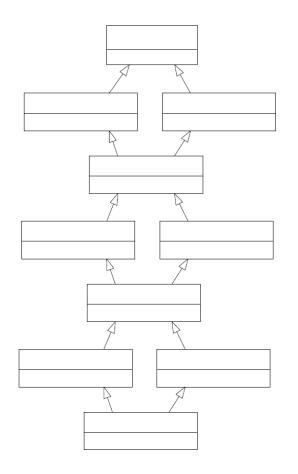


#### **Fork-Join Hierarchies**

This is a fork-join hierarchy

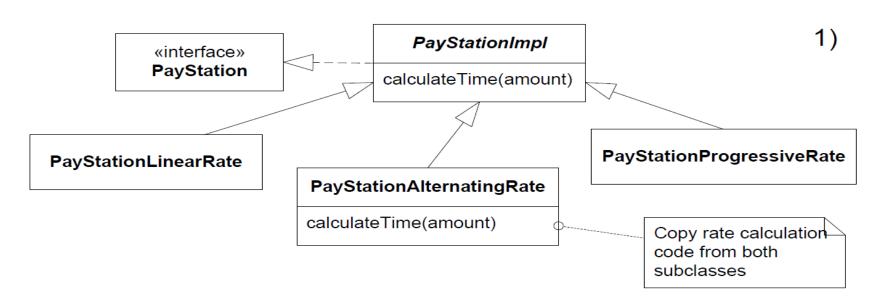
- Fork-join =
  - A root class that has
  - Two subclasses that
  - A single class inherit from that has
  - Two subclasses that
  - **—** ...

My experience is ... bad...





#### **Model 3b: Direct Subclass**

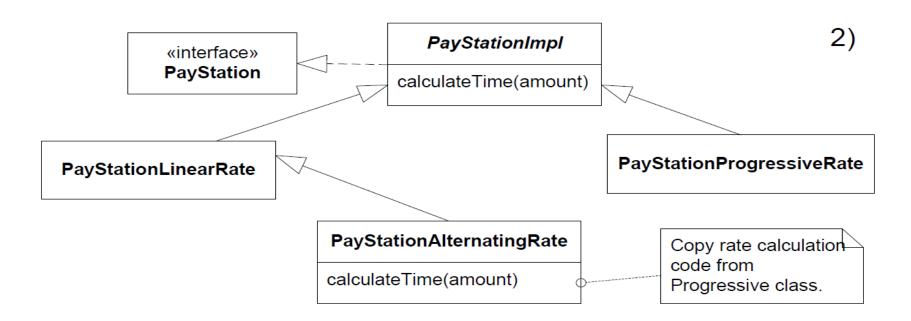


 Cut code from linear and progressive, paste into alternating... And we have multiple copies of code...

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#### Model 3c:Sub-sub Class



Cut code from progressive, paste into alternating

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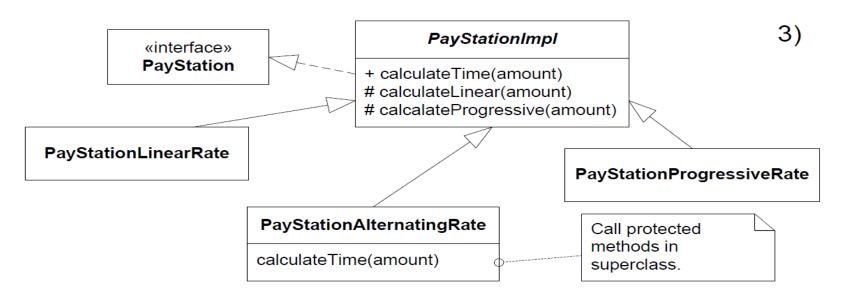


#### **Code view**

```
public class PayStationAlternatingRate
  extends PayStationLinearRate {
  | . . . |
  private int calculateTime( int amount ) {
    int time;
    if ( isWeekend() ) {
      [Paste progressive calculation code here]
      else {
      time = super.calculateTime( amount );
    return
           time;
```

- Only half as much code duplication as before
  - You are kidding?
    - Example of a 'better' solution, that is really 'bad' ☺

## Model 3d: Bubbling up/Superclass



- Make protected calculation methods in abstract PayStationImpl, and call these from Alternating
  - This is a classic solution often seen in practice



#### **Code view**

#### The super class

```
public class PayStationImpl implements PayStation {
   [...]
   protected int calculateLinearTime( int amount ) { [...] }
   protected int calculateProgressiveTime( int amount ) { [...] }
}
```

#### Alpha then becomes

```
public class PayStationLinearStrategy
  extends PayStationImpl {
    [...]
    protected int calculateTime( int amount ) {
       return super.calculateLinearTime( amount );
    }
    [...]
}
```



#### Code view

#### Gamma is then

```
public class PayStationAlternatingRate
  extends PayStationImpl {
   [...]
   protected int calculateTime( int amount ) {
      int time;
      if ( isWeekend() ) {
        time = super.calcProgressiveTime( amount );
      } else {
        time = super.calcLinearTime( amount );
    }
   return time;
}
```

#### Discussion

- No code duplication
- Exercise: what are the liabilities?



#### Liabilities

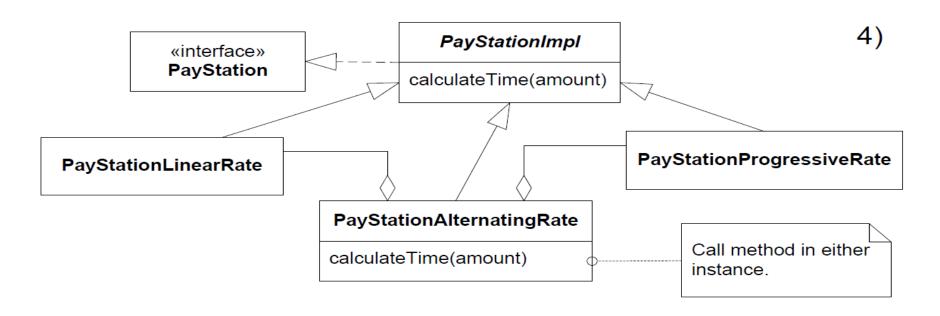
- Superclass stability
  - Tendency to modify super classes repeatedly
- Superclass analyzability and cohesion
  - Becomes a junk pile of methods over time
  - The methods are unrelated to the superclass itself, it is just a convenient "parking lot" for them
  - This is an example of an abstraction with little cohesion
  - Over time, becomes grave-yard of forgotten methods?



#### **Model 3e: Stations in Stations**

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A student proposed this one...



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#### **Model 3e: Stations in Stations**

#### **AARHUS UNIVERSITET**

- The "pay stations in pay station" way:
  - Create a gamma pay station containing both an alpha and beta pay station

```
public class PayStationAlternatingRate
  extends PayStationImpl {
   private PayStation psLinear, psProgressive;
   [...]
   private int calculateTime( int amount ) {
     int time;
     if ( isWeekend() ) {
        time = psProgressive.calculateTime( amount );
     } else {
        time = psLinear.calculateTime( amount );
     }
     return time;
}
```

Exercise: Benefits and liabilities?



#### **Morale**

It simply does not work cleanly!

 I have never seen a polymorphic solution that handles this very simple requirement in a natural and concise way!

Like in other design disciplines, we like elegance @





- Multiple inheritance of implementation is evil IMO...
- Java 8 managed to sneak it in anyway ☺
  - Default methods

Do not use default methods for fork-join hierarchies. It is not its intended use!

(Library evolution is)

```
interface PayStationImpl {
  int calculateTime(int amount);
interface PayStationLinearRate extends PayStationImpl {
  default int calculateTime(int amount) { return amount / 5 * 2; }
interface PayStationProgressiveRate extends PayStationImpl {
  default int calculateTime(int amount) { return amount / 5 * 8; }
class PayStationAlternatingRate implements PayStationLinearRate,
                                           PayStationProgressiveRate {
  boolean isWeekend;
  public int calculateTime(int amount) {
    if (isWeekend)
      return PayStationProgressiveRate.super.calculateTime(amount);
      return PayStationLinearRate.super.calculateTime(amount);
```

```
csdev@m51f19hbc:~/proj/frsproject/state-fork-join$ java PayStationForkJoin2
=== PayStation Fork Join ===
  isWeekend == false. Calculate on 20 cents and get 8 minutes.
  isWeekend == true. Calculate on 20 cents and get 32 minutes.
```



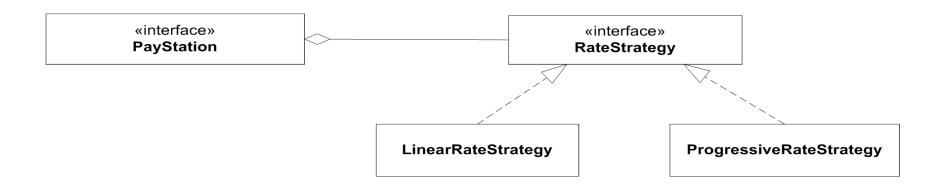
## **Compositional Variants**



#### **Premise**

Now, please **reset** your minds again!

 We now look at the compositional variant (strategy) pattern) that we made the last time!





#### **Code View**

## public class PayStationImpl implements PayStation { private int insertedSoFar; private int timeBought;

/\*\* the strategy for rate calculations \*/

private RateStrategy rateStrategy;

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#### Model 4a: Parameter + compositional

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```
public class PayStationImpl implements PayStation {
  [...]
 /** the strategy for rate calculations */
  private RateStrategy rateStrategyWeekday;
  private RateStrategy rateStrategyWeekend;
 /** Construct a pay station. */
 public PayStationImpl( RateStrategy rateStrategyWeekday,
                          RateStrategy rateStrategyWeekend ) {
    this.rateStrategyWeekday = rateStrategyWeekday;
    this.rateStrategyWeekend = rateStrategyWeekend;
  public void addPayment( int coinValue )
          throws IllegalCoinException
    [\ldots]
    if ( isWeekend() ) {
      timeBought = rateStrategyWeekend.calculateTime(insertedSoFar);
     else {
      timeBought = rateStrategyWeekday.calculateTime(insertedSoFar);
  private boolean isWeekend() {
  | . . . |
```

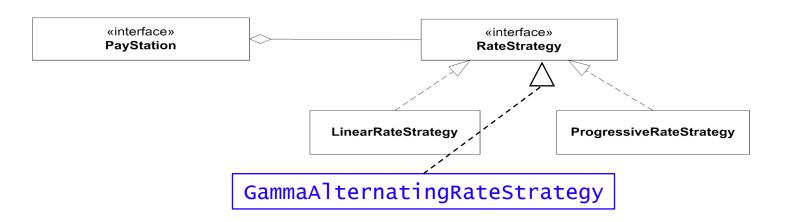
## Model 4a: Parameter + compositional

- Liabilities
  - Code change in the constructor
  - Constructor has become really weird for alpha and beta

- Worse: we have just blown the whole idea!
  - now the pay station has resumed the rate calculation responsibility
  - or even worse the responsibility is distributed over several objects \( \mathbb{R} \) \( \mathbb{R} \)
    - The responsibility to know about rate calculations are now distributed into two objects leading to lower analyzability
    - leads to duplicated code, and bugs difficult to track.

## Model 4b: Copy and paste version

Cut and paste the code into new strategy object



- Multiple maintenance problem
  - a bug in price calculation functionality must be corrected in two places odds are you only remember one of them.



#### **Lesson Learned**

- Often two variability techniques are used at the same time
  - Polymorphic + parametric
  - Polymorphic + source-code copy
  - **–** ...
- ... Which somewhat masks there is a bit issue here

- Do the same thing, the same way !!!
  - If your variability technique does not support it it is because you are using the wrong technique ☺



# ... on to a nice compositional solution: State pattern

Composition is doing the same thing the same way



### **Compositional Idea**

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- ③ I identify some behavior that varies.
  - The rate calculation behavior is what must vary for Gammatown and this we have already identified.
- ① I state a responsibility that covers the behavior that varies and encapsulate it by expressing it as an interface.
  - The RateStrategy interface already defines the responsibility to "Calculate parking time" by defining the method calculateTime.
- ② I compose the resulting behavior by delegating the concrete behavior to subordinate objects.
  - This is the point that takes on a new meaning concerning our new requirement.



#### Model 4

Compose the behavior...

#### That is:

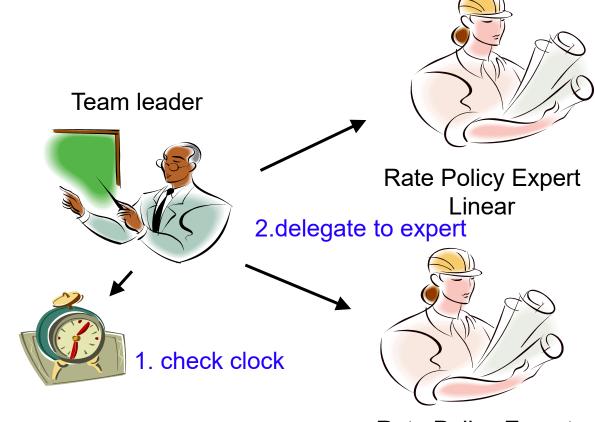
- the best object to calculate linear rate models has already been defined and tested – why not use its expertise? Same goes with progressive rate.
- so let us make a small **team** one object *responsible* for taking the decision; the two other *responsible* for the individual rate calculations.



rate calculation request

## The Cartoon

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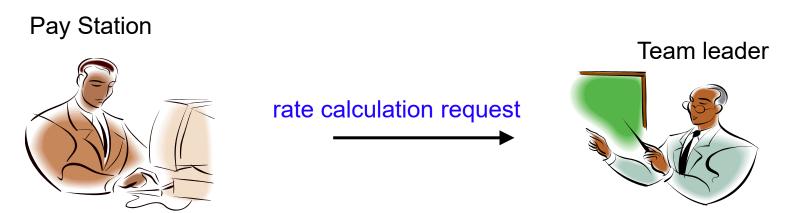
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Progressive



## Interpretation

Note:

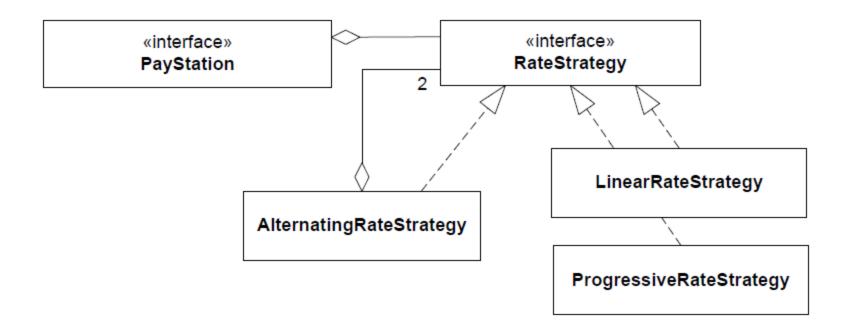


 From the Pay Station's viewpoint the behavior of the "team leader" change according to the state of the clock!



## **Clock State Define Behavior**

Reusing existing, well tested, classes...



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#### **Code view**

#### In AlternatingRateStrategy:

```
public int calculateTime( int amount ) {
  if ( isWeekend() ) {
    currentState = weekendStrategy;
  } else {
    currentState = weekdayStrategy;
  }
  return currentState.calculateTime( amount );
}
```

- 1. check clock, choose expert to use
- 2. *delegate* to expert

#### In AlternatingRateStrategy: Construction



# **Analysis**

#### Consequence:

- Minimal new code, thus very little to test
  - most classes are untouched, only one new is added.
- Change by addition, not modification
- No existing code is touched
  - So, no new testing
  - No review
- Parameterization of constructor
  - All models possible that differ in weekends...



#### Roles revisited

- This once again emphasizes the importance of
  - 3 Encapsulate what varies: the rate policy
  - Define well-defined responsibilities by interfaces
  - Only let objects communicate using the interfaces
    - Then the respective roles (pay station / rate strategy) can be played by many difference concrete objects
    - And each object is free to implement the responsibilities of the roles as it sees fit – like our new 'team leader' that does little on his own!
  - 2 also to let most of the dirty job be done by others ©
    - Delegate concrete calculations to the two rate specialists



## **The State Pattern**



# **Analysis**

- Yet another application of 3-1-2
  - (but note that the argumentation this time was heavily focused on the ② aspect: composing behavior by delegating to partial behavior)

- Rephrasing what the Gammatown pay system does:
  - The rate policy algorithm alters its behavior according to the state of the system clock



#### State Pattern

- State pattern intent
  - Allow an object to alter its behavior when its internal state changes. The object will appear to change its class.
  - The rate policy algorithm alters its behavior according to the state of the system clock
  - Seen from the PayStationImpl the AlternatingRateStrategy object appears to change class because it changes behavior over the week.

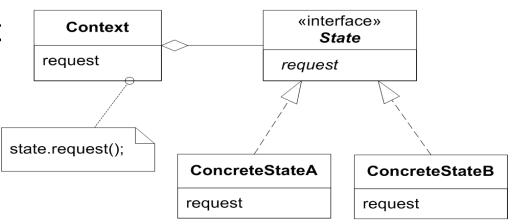


## Roles

Context delegate to it current state object

State specifies
 responsibilities of the
 behavior that varies
 according to state

 ConcreteState defines state specific behavior

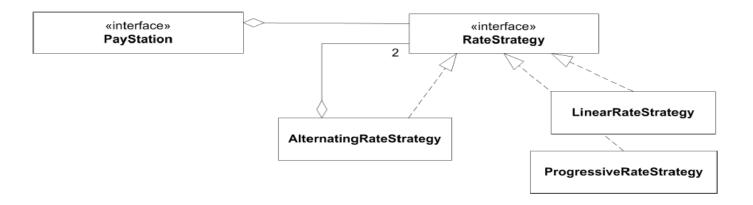


- State changes?
  - May be defined either in Context or in ConcreteState set
  - That who defines it is less reusable

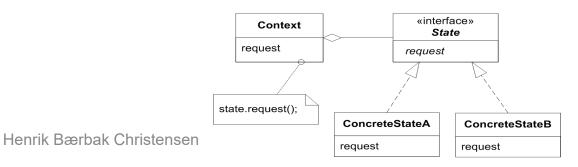


## **Exercise**

Which object/interface fulfil which role in the pay station?



Who is responsible for state changes?





#### **Benefits/Liabilities of State**

- General
  - State specific behavior is localized
    - in a single ConcreteState object
  - State changes are explicit
    - as you just find the assignments of 'currentState'
  - Increased number of objects
    - as always with compositional designs
- Compare common state machines:
  - case INIT STATE:
  - case DIE\_ROLL\_STATE:
  - case MOVE\_CHECKERS\_STATE:



# **Examples**

- All state machines can be modelled by the state pattern
  - and looking for them there are a lot
  - TCP Socket connection state
  - any game has a state machine
  - Protocols
  - etc...

#### public class TurnstileImpl implements Turnstile { State lockedState = new LockedState(this), unlockedState = new UnlockedState(this), state = lockedState; public void coin() { state.coin(); } public void pass() { state.pass(); } public static void main(String[] args) { System.out.println( "Demo of turnstile state pattern" ); Turnstile turnstile = new TurnstileImpl(); turnstile.coin(); turnstile.pass(); turnstile.pass(); turnstile.coin(); turnstile.coin(); abstract class State implements Turnstile { protected TurnstileImpl turnstile; public State(TurnstileImpl ts) { turnstile = ts; } class LockedState extends State { public LockedState(TurnstileImpl ts) { super(ts); } public void coin() { System.out.println( "Locked state: Coin accepted"); turnstile.state = turnstile.unlockedState; public void pass() { System.out.println( "Locked state: Passenger pass: SOUND ALARM"); class UnlockedState extends State { public UnlockedState(TurnstileImpl ts) { super(ts); } public void coin() { System.out.println( "Unlocked state: Coin entered: RETURN IT"); public void pass() { System.out.println( "Unlocked state: Passenger pass"); turnstile.state = turnstile.lockedState;

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## **Example: Turnstile**





# **Summary**

- New requirement
  - a case that screams for reusing existing and well-tested production code
  - cumbersome to utilize the reuse potential especially in the subclassing case (deeper discussion in the book)
  - but handled elegantly by compositional design
    - think in terms of teams of objects playing different roles
  - I derived the State pattern
    - more general pattern handling state machines well