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Behavioral pattern

In software engineering, behavioral design patterns are design patterns that identify common communication patterns between objects and realize these patterns. By doing so, these patterns increase flexibility in carrying out this communication.

Examples of this type of design pattern include:

- **Chain of responsibility pattern:** Command objects are handled or passed on to other objects by logic- containing processing objects
- **Command pattern:** Command objects encapsulate an action and its parameters
- "Externalize the Stack": Turn a recursive function into an iterative one that uses a stack.^[1]
- **Interpreter pattern:** Implement a specialized computer language to rapidly solve a specific set of problems
- **Iterator pattern:** Iterators are used to access the elements of an aggregate object sequentially without exposing its underlying representation
- **Mediator pattern:** Provides a unified interface to a set of interfaces in a subsystem
- **Memento pattern:** Provides the ability to restore an object to its previous state (rollback)
- **Observer pattern:** aka Publish/Subscribe or Event Listener. Objects register to observe an event that may be raised by another object
 - Weak reference pattern: De-couple an observer from an observable.^[2]
- **State pattern:** A clean way for an object to partially change its type at runtime
- **Strategy pattern:** Algorithms can be selected on the fly
- **Template method pattern:** Describes the **program skeleton** of a program
- **Visitor pattern:** A way to separate an algorithm from an object

In Object Oriented Design, the chain-of-responsibility pattern is a design pattern consisting of a source of command objects and a series of processing objects. Each processing object contains logic that defines the types of command objects that it can handle; the rest are passed to the next processing object in the chain. A mechanism also exists for adding new processing objects to the end of this chain. In object-oriented programming, the command pattern is a design pattern in which an object is used to represent and encapsulate all the information needed to call a method at a later time. This information includes the method name, the object that owns the method and values for the method parameters.

In computer programming, the interpreter pattern is a design pattern that specifies how to evaluate

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sentences in a language. The basic idea is to have a [class](#) for each symbol ([terminal](#) or [nonterminal](#)) in a [specialized computer language](#). The [syntax tree](#) of a sentence in the language is an instance of the [composite](#) pattern and is used to evaluate (interpret) the sentence.

In [object-oriented programming](#), the iterator pattern is a [design pattern](#) in which an [iterator](#) is used to traverse a [container](#) and access the container's elements. The iterator pattern decouples [algorithms](#) from containers; in some cases, algorithms are necessarily container-specific and thus cannot be decoupled.

The mediator pattern defines an object that encapsulates how a set of objects interact. This pattern is considered to be a [behavioral pattern](#) due to the way it can alter the program's running behavior.

Usually a program is made up of a (sometimes large) number of [classes](#). So the [logic](#) and [computation](#) is distributed among these classes. However, as more classes are developed in a program, especially during [maintenance](#) and/or [refactoring](#), the problem

of [communication](#) between these classes may become more complex. This makes the program harder to read and [maintain](#). Furthermore, it can become difficult to change the program, since any change may affect code in several other classes.

With the mediator pattern, communication between objects is encapsulated with a mediator object. Objects no longer communicate directly with each other, but instead communicate through the mediator. This reduces the dependencies between communicating objects, thereby lowering the [coupling](#)

The memento pattern is a [software design pattern](#) that provides the ability to store an object to its previous state ([undo](#) or [rollback](#)).

The memento pattern is implemented with two objects: the *originator* and a *caretaker*. The originator is some object that has an internal state. The caretaker is going to do something to the originator, but wants to be able to undo the change. The caretaker first asks the originator for a memento object. Then it does whatever operation (or sequence of operations) it was going to do. To roll back to the state before the operations, it returns the memento object to the originator. The memento object itself is an [opaque object](#) (one which the caretaker cannot, or should not, change). When using this pattern, care should be taken if the originator may change other objects or resources - the memento pattern operates on a single object.

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](#). It is mainly used to implement distributed [event handling](#) systems. Observer is also a key part in the familiar MVC architectural pattern. In fact the observer pattern was first implemented in Smalltalk's MVC based user interface framework. The state pattern, which closely resembles [Strategy Pattern](#), is a [behavioral software design pattern](#), also known as the objects for states pattern. This pattern is used in [computer programming](#) to represent the state of an [object](#). This is a clean way for an object to partially change its type at runtime

In [computer programming](#), the strategy pattern (also known as the policy pattern) is a particular [software design pattern](#), whereby [algorithms](#) can be selected at runtime. Formally speaking, the strategy pattern defines a family of [algorithms](#), encapsulates each one, and makes them interchangeable. Strategy lets the algorithm vary independently from clients that use it.

A *template method* defines the [program skeleton](#) of an [algorithm](#). One or more of the algorithm steps can be overridden by subclasses to allow differing behaviors while ensuring that the overarching algorithm is still followed.

In object-oriented programming, first a class is created that provides the basic steps of an [algorithm design](#). These steps are implemented using [abstract methods](#). Later on, subclasses change the abstract methods to implement real actions. Thus the general algorithm is saved in one place but the concrete steps may be changed by the subclasses.

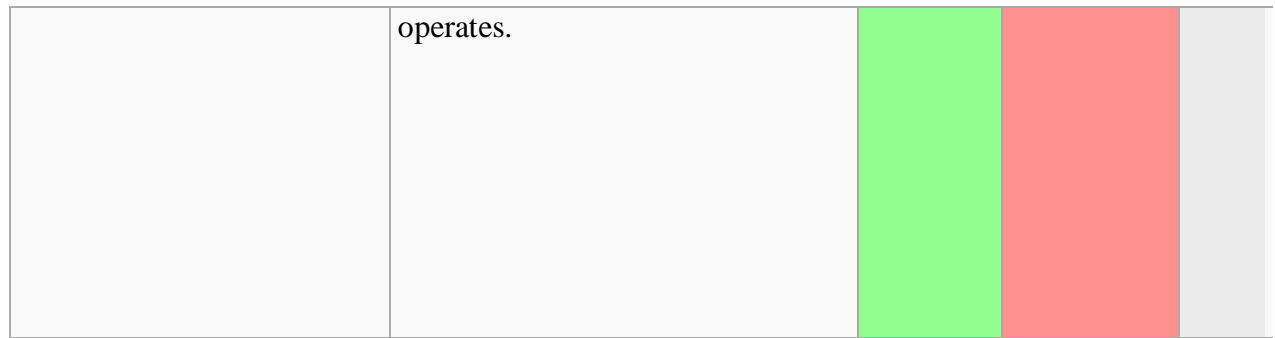
In [object-oriented programming](#) and [software engineering](#), the [visitor design pattern](#) is a way of separating an [algorithm](#) from an object structure on which it operates. A practical result of this separation is the ability to add new operations to existing object structures without modifying those structures. It is one way to easily follow the [open/closed principle](#).

<u>Behavioral patterns</u>				
Name	Description	In <u>DesignP atterns</u>	In <u>Code Complete</u> ^[17]	Other
Blackboard	Generalized observer, which allows multiple readers and writers. Communicates information system- wide.	No	No	N/A
<u>Chain of responsibility</u>	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.	Yes	No	N/A
<u>Command</u>	Encapsulate a request as an object, thereby letting you parameterize	Yes	No	N/A

	clients with different requests, queue or log requests, and support undoable operations.			
Interpreter	Given a language, define a representation for its grammar along with an interpreter that uses the representation to interpret sentences in the language.	Yes	No	N/A
Iterator	Provide a way to access the elements of an aggregate object sequentially without exposing its underlying representation.		Yes	N/A
Mediator	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.	Yes Yes	No	N/A
Memento	Without violating encapsulation, capture and externalize an object's internal state allowing the object to be restored to this state later.	Yes	No	N/A
Null object	Avoid null references by providing a default object.	No	No	N/A

<u>Observer</u> or <u>Publish/subscribe</u>	Define a one-to-many dependency between objects where a state change in one object results in all its dependents being notified and	Yes	Yes	N/ A
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	updated automatically.			
<u>Servant</u>	Define common functionality for a group of classes	No	No	N/A
<u>Specification</u>	Recombinable <u>business logic</u> in a <u>Boolean</u> fashion	No	No	N/A
<u>State</u>	Allow an object to alter its behavior when its internal state changes. The object will appear to change its class.	Yes	No	N/A
<u>Strategy</u>	Define a family of algorithms, encapsulate each one, and make them interchangeable. Strategy lets the algorithm vary independently from clients that use it.	Yes	Yes	N/A
<u>Template method</u>	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.	Yes	Yes	N/A
<u>Visitor</u>	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	Yes	No	N/A



Separate interface
from
implementation