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What is refactoring?

- □ A change made to the internal structure of software to make it easier to understand and cheaper to modify without changing its observable behavior
- □ Or, to restructure software by applying a series of refactoring without changing its observable behavior

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Why Refactoring? □ Improves the design of software

 The design of a program will inevitably decay, and refactoring helps to restore its structure

Makes software easier to understand

 When we program, we often focus on how to make it work, i.e., understandable to the computer. Refactoring helps us to think about how to make it understandable to the people

Helps to find bugs

 Refactoring forces one to think deep about the program and thus help to detect bugs that may exist in the code

Helps to code faster

 A good design is essential for rapid software development

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When to Refactor?

- Refactor when you add function
 - Refactor as you try to understand the code
 - "If only I'd designed the code this way, adding this feature would be easy."
- Refactor when you need to fix a bug
 - The very existence of a bug might indicate that the code is not well-structured
- Refactor when you do a code review
 - Refactoring helps to produce concrete results from code review

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Problems with Refactoring

- □ Refactoring may change interfaces; this needs to be handled carefully
 - Retain the old interface until the users have had a chance to react to the change
- Some designs may be very difficult to change
 - When a design choice is to be made, consider how difficult it would be if later you have to change it.
 - If it seems easy, then don't worry too much about the choice. Otherwise, be careful.

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When not to refactor?

- □ Easier to write from scratch
 - The current code just doesn't work
- Close to a deadline
 - The long term benefit of refactoring may not appear until after the deadline

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Refactoring and Design

- Upfront design: Do all the design up front, and try to find the best solution
- □ No design: Code first, get it working, and then refactor it into shape
- Combined: Still do upfront design, but only try to find a reasonable solution. Later, do refactoring to improve the design

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Refactoring and Performance

- Does refactoring make software run slower?
- ☐ True in some cases. But in general, refactoring can make software more amenable to performance tuning.
- □ Three general approaches to write fast software
 - Time budgeting typically applied in hard real-time environments only
 - Constant attention slows development, and improvement may be made with a narrow perspective
 - Performance tuning do performance tuning at a later stage of development

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A Video Rental System (1) public class Movie { public static final int CHILDRENS = 2; public static final int REGULAR = 0; public static final int NEW_RELEASE = 1; private String_title; private int_priceCode; public Movie (String title, int priceCode) { _title = title; _priceCode = priceCode; } public int getPriceCode () { return_priceCode; } public void setPriceCode (int arg) { _priceCode = arg; } public String getTitle () { return_title; } Software Testing and Maintenance

```
class Rental {
    private Movie _movie;
    private int _daysRented;

    public Rental (Movie movie, int daysRented) {
        _movie = movie;
        _daysRented = daysRented;
    }

    public int getDaysRented () {
        return _daysRented;
    }

    public Movie getMovie () {
        return _movie;
    }
}

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```

class Customer { private String _name; private Vector _rentals = new Vector (); public Customer (String name) { __name = name; } public void addRental(Rental arg) { __rentals.addElement (arg); } public String getName () { return _name; } public String statement () { ... } Software Testing and Maintenance

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A Video Rental System (4)

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Good or Bad?

- □ What is your opinion?
- Consider the following possible changes:
 - Add a method to print statement in HTML
 - Make changes to the way the movies are classified, which could affect both the way renters are charged and the way frequent renter points are calculated

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First Step in Refactoring

- Build a solid set of tests for the code you plan to refactor.
- □ For example, we can create a few customers, give each customer a few rentals of various kinds of films, and generate the statement strings.

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Decompose statement

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```
Rename Variables
private double amountFor (Rental aRental) {
    double result = 0;
    switch (aRental.getMovie().getPriceCode ()) {
       case Movie.REGULAR:
          result += 2;
          if (aRental.getDaysRented () > 2)
            result += (aRental.getDaysRented() - 2) * 1.5;
          break;
       case Movie.NEW_RELEASE:
          result += aRental.getDaysRented() * 3; break;
       case Movie.CHILDREN:
          result += 1.5;
          if (aRental.getDaysRented() > 3)
             result += (aRental.getDaysRented() - 3) * 1.5;
          break;
    return result;
}
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```

Replace Temp with Query

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Remove Temps - total Amount

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return result;

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Add <u>htmlStatement</u>

```
public String htmlStatement () {
   Enumeration rentals = _rentals.elements ();
   String result = "<H1>Rental Record for <EM>" + getName () + "</
EM></HÍ><P>\n";
   while (rentals.hasMoreElements ()) {
     Rental each = (Rental) rentals.nextElement ();
     // show figures for this rental
     result += each.getMovie.getTitle() + ": "
                + String.valueOf(each.getCharge()) + "<BR>\n";
   // add footer lines
  result += "<P>You owe <EM> " + String.valueOf(getTotalCharge())
               + "</EM><P>\n";
   result += "On this rental you earned"
               + String.valueOf(getTotalFrequentRenterPoints())
+ " </EM>frequent renter points <P>";
   return result;
}
```

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```
Move getCharge() (1)

class Rental ...
   double getCharge () {
        double result = 0;
        switch (getMovie().getPriceCode ()) {
            case Movie.REGULAR:
            result += 2;
            if (getDaysRented () > 2)
                result += (getDaysRented() - 2) * 1.5;
            break;
            case Movie.NEW_RELEASE:
            result += getDaysRented() * 3; break;
            case Movie.CHILDREN:
            result += 1.5;
            if (getDaysRented() > 3)
                 result += (getDaysRented() - 3) * 1.5;
            break;
        }
        return result;
}

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```

```
Move getCharge() (2)

class Movie ...
double getCharge (int daysRented) {
    double result = 0;
    switch (getPriceCode ()) {
        case Movie.REGULAR:
        result += 2;
        if (daysRented () > 2)
            result += (daysRented - 2) * 1.5;
        break;
        case Movie.NEW_RELEASE:
        result += daysRented * 3; break;
        case Movie.CHILDREN:
        result += 1.5;
        if (daysRented > 3)
            result += (daysRented - 3) * 1.5;
        break;
    }
    return result;
}

class Rental ...
    double getCharge () {
        return_movie.getCharge (_daysRented).
}

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```

Move getFrequentRenterPoints() (2)

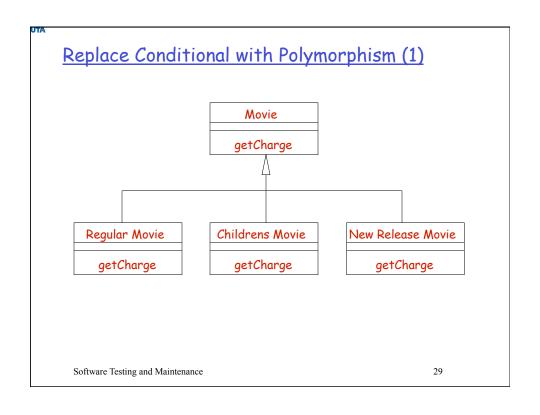
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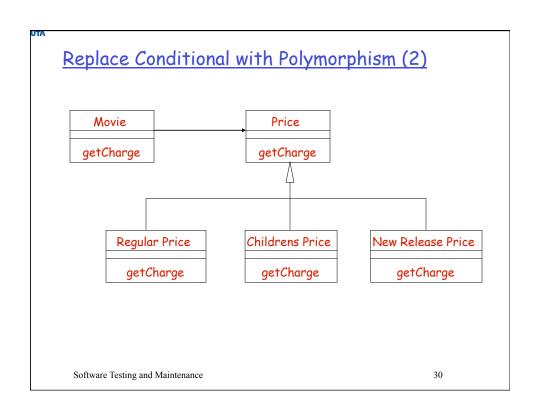
```
class Movie ...
  int getFrequentRenterPoints () {
    if ((getPriceCode() == Movie.NEW_RELEASE)
        && each.getDaysRented() > 1)
        return 2;
    else
        return 1;
  }

class Rental ...
  int getFrequentRenterPoints () {
    return _movie.getFrequentRenterPoints (_daysRent);
  }
```

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```
Self Encapsulating Field

class Movie...
  public Movie (String name, int priceCode) {
    __title = name;
    __priceCode = priceCode;
  }

class Movie...
  public Movie (String name, int priceCode) {
    __title = name;
    setPriceCode (priceCode);
  }

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```

```
abstract class Price {
   abstract int getPriceCode ();
}
class ChildrensPrice extends Price {
   int getPriceCode () {
     return Movie.CHILDRENS;
}
}
class NewReleasePrice extends Price {
   int getPriceCode () {
     return Movie.NEW_RELEASE;
}
}
class RegularPrice extends Price {
   int getPriceCode () {
     return Movie.REGULAR;
}
}
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```

```
Change accessors (1)

public int getPriceCode () {
    return _priceCode;
}
public void setPriceCode (int arg) {
    _priceCode = arg;
}
private int _priceCode;

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```

```
Move getCharge() (1)

class Movie ...
    double getCharge (int daysRented) {
        double result = 0;
        switch (getPriceCode ()) {
            case Movie.REGULAR:
                result += 2;
                if (daysRented () > 2)
                     result += (daysRented - 2) * 1.5;
                break;
            case Movie.NEW_RELEASE:
                result += daysRented * 3; break;
            case Movie.CHILDREN:
                result += 1.5;
                if (daysRented > 3)
                    result += (daysRented - 3) * 1.5;
                break;
            }
            return result;
}
```

```
Class Movie ...
double getCharge (int daysRented) {
    return _price.getCharge (daysRented);
}

class Price ...
double getCharge (int daysRented) {
    double result = 0;
    switch (getPriceCode ()) {
        case Movie.REGULAR:
        result += 2;
        if (daysRented () > 2)
            result += (daysRented - 2) * 1.5;
        break;
        case Movie.NEW RELEASE:
        result += daysRented * 3; break;
        case Movie.CHILDREN:
        result += 1.5;
        if (daysRented > 3)
            result += (daysRented - 3) * 1.5;
        break;
}

return result;
}

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```

class RegularPrice ... double getCharge (int daysRented) { double result = 2; if (daysRented > 2) result += (daysRented - 2) * 1.5; } class ChildrensPrice ... double getCharge (int daysRented) { double result = 1.5; if (daysRented > 3) result += (daysRented - 3) * 1.5; return result; } class NewReleasePrice ... double getCharge (int daysRented) { return daysRented * 3; }

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class Price

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getFrequentRenterPoints (1)

abstract double getCharge (int daysRented);

```
class Movie ...
int getFrequentRenterPoints (int daysRented) {
   if ((getPriceCode() == Movie.NEW_RELEASE) && daysRented > 1)
      return 2;
   else
      return 1;
}
```

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```
getFrequentRenterPoints (2)
class Movie ...
  int getFrequentRenterPoints (int daysRented) {
     return _price.getFrequentRenterPoints (daysRented);
 int getFrequentRenterPoints (int daysRented) {
    if ((getPriceCode() == Movie.NEW_RELEASE) && daysRented > 1)
        return 2;
       return 1;
 }
class NewReleasePrice
  int getFrequentRenterPoints (int daysRented) {
     return (daysRented > 1) ? 2 : 1;
class Price...
  int getFrequentRenterPoints (int daysRented) {
     return 1;
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```

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Duplicated Code

- ☐ The same code structure appears in more than one place
 - Two methods of the same class, two sibling subclasses, or two unrelated classes
- Makes the code unnecessarily long, and also makes it difficult to maintain consistency
- Extract the common code and then invoke it from different places

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Long Method

- ☐ The body of a method contains an excessive number of statements
- □ The longer a method is, the more difficult it is to understand and maintain
- □ Find parts of the method that seem to go nicely together and make a new method

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Large Class

- □ Too many instance variables or too much code in the class
- □ Difficult to understand and maintain
- □ Break it up into several smaller classes, e.g., based on cohesion or how clients use the class

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Long Parameter List

- $lue{}$ A method that takes too many parameters in its signature
- □ Difficult to understand and use, and makes the interface less stable
- $lue{}$ Use object to obtain the data, instead of directly pass them around

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Divergent Change/Shotgun Surgery

- □ Divergent change: a class is commonly changed in different ways for different reasons
 - Signals a low degree of cohesion
- □ Shotgun surgery: a change involves too many classes
 - Hard to identify all the classes, and some may get missed
- □ Ideally, we want to make arrangements so that there is one-to-one link between common changes and classes.

Put things together that change together!

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Feature Envy

- A method that seems more interested in a class other than the one it actually is in
- $lue{}$ May not be in sync with the data it operates on
- Move the method to the class which has the most data needed by the method

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Switch Statements

- ☐ The same switch statement scattered about a program in different places
- □ Adding a new clause requires changing all these duplicates
- ☐ Use polymorphism to replace the switch statements

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Speculative Generality

- Excessive support for generality that is not really needed
- Make the code unnecessarily complex and hard to maintain
- Remove those additional support, e.g., remove unnecessary abstract classes, delegation, and parameters

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Temporary Field

- □ Instance variables that are merely used for passing parameters
- □ Create unnecessary confusion as they are not an integral part of the object
- ☐ Create a new object to enclose those parameters and then pass the object around

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Data Classes

- □ Classes that are dumb data holders, i.e., they only have fields and get/set methods
- ☐ These classes are often manipulated in far too much detail by other classes
- □ Give more responsibility to these classes

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Comments

- □ Comments are often used as a deodorant: they are there because the code is bad
- ☐ Try to remove the comments by refactoring, e.g., extract a block of code as a separate method

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Name: the name of the refactoring

Summary: a brief description about the refactoring

Motivation: why the refactoring should be done and in what circumstances it shouldn't be done

Mechanics: a concise, step-by-step description of how to carry out the refactoring

Examples: a very simple use of the refactoring to illustrate how it works

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Major Groups of Refactorings

Composing methods
Moving features between objects
Simplifying conditional expressions
Organizing data
Making method calls simpler
Dealing with generalization

Composing Methods (1)

Extract Method

Turn a code fragment into a method with a meaningful name

Inline Method

Put a method that is really simple into the body of its callers and remove the method

Inline Temp

Replace a temp that is only assigned once with the actual expression

Replace Temp with Query

Replace a temp with a query method

Introduce Explaining Variable

Put intermediate results into a temp with a meaningful name

Composing Methods (2)

Split Temporary Variable
Split a temp that is assigned more than once into several temps, one for each assignment

Remove Assignments to Parameters
Parameters should not be assigned; use a temp instead.

Replace Method with Method Object
Turn a very long method into an object, with all the local vars becoming fields on the object. If needed, you can decompose this method into several smaller ones on the object

Substitute Algorithm
Replace the body of a method with a new algorithm

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Extract Method (1)

- □ Need to consider how to deal with local variables:
 - No local variables
 - Read-only variables: Simply pass the values of those variables as parameters to the new method
 - Variables that may be changed
 - Only one variable is changed return the new value from the new method
 - Multiple variables are changed try to extract multiple methods, one for each variable

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Extract Method (2)

```
void printOwing () {
    Enumeration e = _orders.elements();
    double outstanding = 0.0;
    print Banner ();

    // calculate outstanding
    while (e.hasMoreElements ()) {
        Order each = (Order) e.nextElement ();
        outstanding += each.getAmount ();
    }

    printDetails (outstanding);
}
```

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```
Extract Method (3)

void printOwing () {
    print Banner ();
    double outstanding = getOutstanding ();
    printDetails (outstanding);
}

Double getOutstanding () {
    Enumeration e = _orders.elements ();
    double result = 0.0;

while (e.hasMoreElements ()) {
    Order each = (Order) e.nextElement ();
    result += each.getAmount ();
    }
    return result;
}
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```

```
Replace Temp with Query

double basePrice = _quantity * _itemPrice;
if (basePrice > 1000)
    return basePrice * 0.95;
else
    return basePrice * 0.98;

if (basePrice > 1000)
    return basePrice () * 0.95;
else
    return basePrice () * 0.98;
...
double basePrice () {
    return _quantity * _itemPrice;
}

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```

```
Split Temporary Variable

double temp = 2 * (_height + _width);
System.out.println (temp);
temp = _height * _width;
System.out.println (temp);

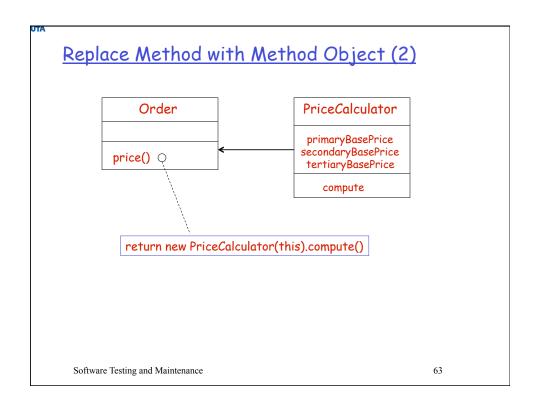
final double perimeter = 2 * (_height + _width);
System.out.println (perimeter);
final double area = _height * _width;
System.out.println (are);

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```

```
Replace Method with Method Object (1)

class Order ...
  double price () {
    double primaryBasePrice;
    double secondaryBasePrice;
    double tertiaryBasePrice;
    // long computation
}

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```



Moving Features Between Objects (1)

Move Method

Move a method from one class to another

Move Field

Move a field from one class to another

Extract Class

Extract a new class, with the relevant fields and methods, from a class that is doing too much work,

Inline Class

Make a class that isn't doing much a part of another class

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Moving Features Between Objects (2)

- □ Hide Delegate
 - Create methods on a server class to hide its delegate(s) from its client
- Remove Middle Man
 - Remove a class that is doing too much simple delegation
- Introduce Foreign Method
 - Create a method in a client class to implement what is needed from a server class but is not provided
- Introduce Local Extension
 - Create a wrapper or subclass of a server class to provide additional methods that are needed by a client class

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Extract Class (1)

```
class Person ...
  public String getName () {
    return _name;
}

public String getTelephoneNumber () {
    return ("(" + _officeAreaCode + ")" + _officeNumber);
}

String getOfficeAreaCode () {
    return _officeAreaCode;
}

void setOfficeAreaCode (String arg) {
    _officeAreaCode = arg;
}

String getOfficeNumber () {
    return _officeNumber;
}

void setOfficeNumber (String arg) {
    _officeNumber = arg;
}

private String _name;
    private String _officeAreaCode;
    private String _officeNumber;
```

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```
class Person ...
public String getName () {
    return _name;
}
public String getTelephoneNumber () {
    return ("(" + getOfficeAreaCode () + ") " + _officeNumber);
}
String getOfficeAreaCode () {
    return _officeTelephone.getAreaCode ();
}
void setOfficeAreaCode (String arg) {
    _officeTelephone.setAreaCode (arg);
}
String getOfficeNumber () {
    return _officeTelephone.getNumber ();
}
void setOfficeNumber (String arg) {
    _officeTelephone.setNumber (arg);
}

private String _name;
private TelephoneNumber _officeTelephone = new TelephoneNumber();

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```

Extract Class (3)

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```
class TelephoneNumber {
   String getAreaCode () {
     return _areaCode;
   }
   void setAreaCode (String arg) {
      _areaCode = arg;
   }
   String getNumber () {
      return _number;
   }
   void setNumber (String arg) {
      _number = arg;
   }
   private String _number;
   private String _areaCode;
}
```

```
Hide Delegate (1)

class Person {
    Department _department;
    public Department getDepartment () {
        return _department;
    }
    public void setDepartment (Department arg) {
        _department = arg;
    }

class Department {
        private String _chargeCode;
        private Person _manager;
        public Department (Person manager) {
            _manager = manager;
    }
    public Person getManager () {
        return _manager;
    }

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```

```
Class Person {
Department _department;

public Department getDepartment () {
    return _department;
}

public void setDepartment (Department arg) {
    _department = arg;
}

public Person getManager () {
    return _department.getManager ();
}

...
}

manager = john.getDepartment().getManager()

Manager = john.getManager()

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```

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Simplifying Conditional Expression (1)

- Decompose Conditional
 - Extract methods from the condition, then part and else part.
- Consolidate Conditional Expression
 - Combine multiple conditional tests with the same result
- Consolidate Duplicate Conditional Fragments
 - Move a code fragment that is in all branches of a conditional outside of the expression
- Remove Control Flag
 - Use break or return to remove a variable that is acting as a control flag

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Simplifying Conditional Expression (2)

- □ Replace nested Conditional with Guard Clauses
 - Use guard clauses for special cases (or abnormal behavior)
- Replace Conditional with Polymorphism
 - If a conditional chooses different behavior based on the type of an object, replace it with polymorphism
- □ Introduce Null Object
 - Replace the null value with a null object to avoid repeated checks for a null value
- Introduce Assertion
 - Make assumptions explicit using assertions

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```
Decompose Conditional

if (date.before(SUMMER_START) || (date.after(SUMMER_END))
    charge = quantity * _winterRate + _winterServiceCharge;
    else charge = quantity * summerRate;

if (notSummer(date))
    charge = winterCharge (quantity);
    else charge = summerCharge (quantity);

private boolean notSummer (Date date) {
    return date.before (SUMMER_START) || date.after (SUMMER_END);
}

private double summerCharge (int quantity) {
    return quantity * _summerRate;
}

private double winterCharge (int quantity) {
    return quantity * _winterRate + _winterServiceCharge;
}

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```

```
Consolidate Duplicate Conditional Fragments

if (isSpecialDeal ()) {
   total = price * 0.95;
   send();
}
else {
   total = price * 0.98;
   send();
}

if (isSpecialDeal ()) {
   total = price * 0.95;
}
else {
   total = price * 0.98;
}
send ();

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```

```
Remove Control Flag (1)

void checkSecurity (String[] people) {
  boolean found = false;
  for (int i = 0; i < people.length; i ++) {
    if (! found) {
      if (people[i].equals("Don")) {
          sendAlert ();
          found = true;
      }
  }
}
</pre>
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```

```
Prevail Remove Control Flag (2)

void checkSecurity (String[] people) {
    for (int i = 0; i < people.length; i ++) {
        if (people[i].equals("Don")) {
            sendAlert ();
            break;
        }
    }
}
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```

```
Replace Nested Conditional with Guard Clauses
double getPayAmount () {
  double result;
  if (_isDead) result = deadAmount ();
    if (_isSeparated) result = separatedAmount ();
       if (_isRetired) result = retiredAmount ();
       else result = normalPayAmount ();
   return result;
}
double getPayAmount () {
  if (_isDead) return deadAmount ();
  if (_isSeparated) return separatedAmount ();
  if (_isRetired) return retiredAmount ();
  return normalPayAmount ()
}
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- Refactoring does not fix any bug or add any new feature. Instead, it is aimed to facilitate future changes.
- □ Refactoring allows us to do a reasonable, instead of perfect, design, and then improve the design later.
- Bad smells help to decide when to refactor; the catalog of refactoring contains a common list of refactoring patterns.

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