

# Design Patterns

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# References

*java-design-patterns: Design patterns implemented in Java*

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns>

# Creational patterns (GoF)

- *Abstract Factory*
- Builder
- *Factory Method*
- *Object Pool*
- *Prototype*
- *Singleton*

# Abstract Factory (1)

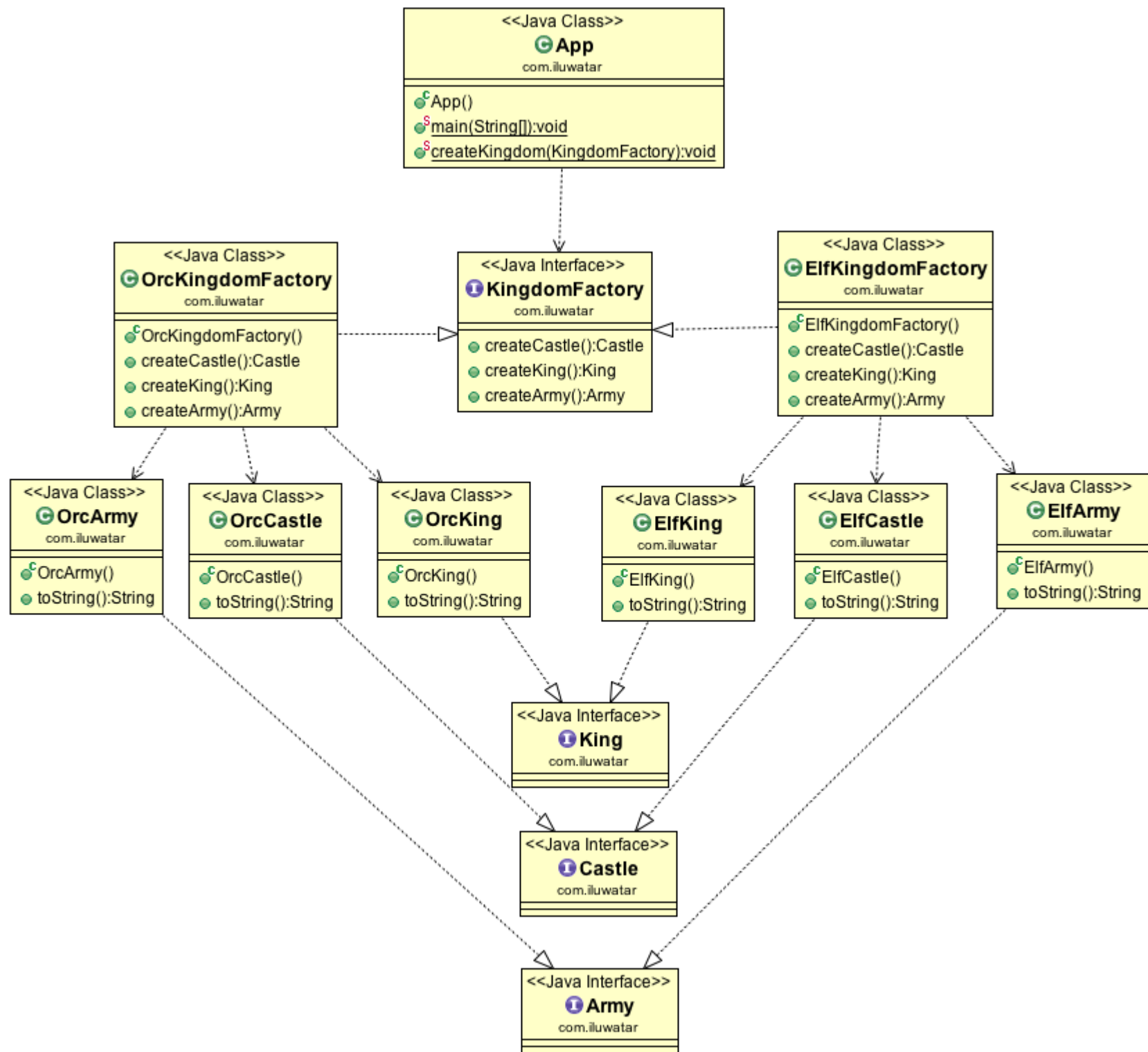
## **Aim:**

- It provides an interface to create a family of objects that are connected or depend on each other without defining the exact classes.

# Abstract Factory (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/abstract-factory>



# Abstract Factory (4)

- **Known uses**

- `java.sql.Connection`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/sql/Connection.html>

- `javax.xml.datatype.DatatypeFactory`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/xml/datatype/DatatypeFactory.html>

- `javax.xml.transform.TransformerFactory`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/xml/transform/TransformerFactory.html>

- `javax.xml.stream.XMLInputFactory`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/xml/stream/XMLInputFactory.html>

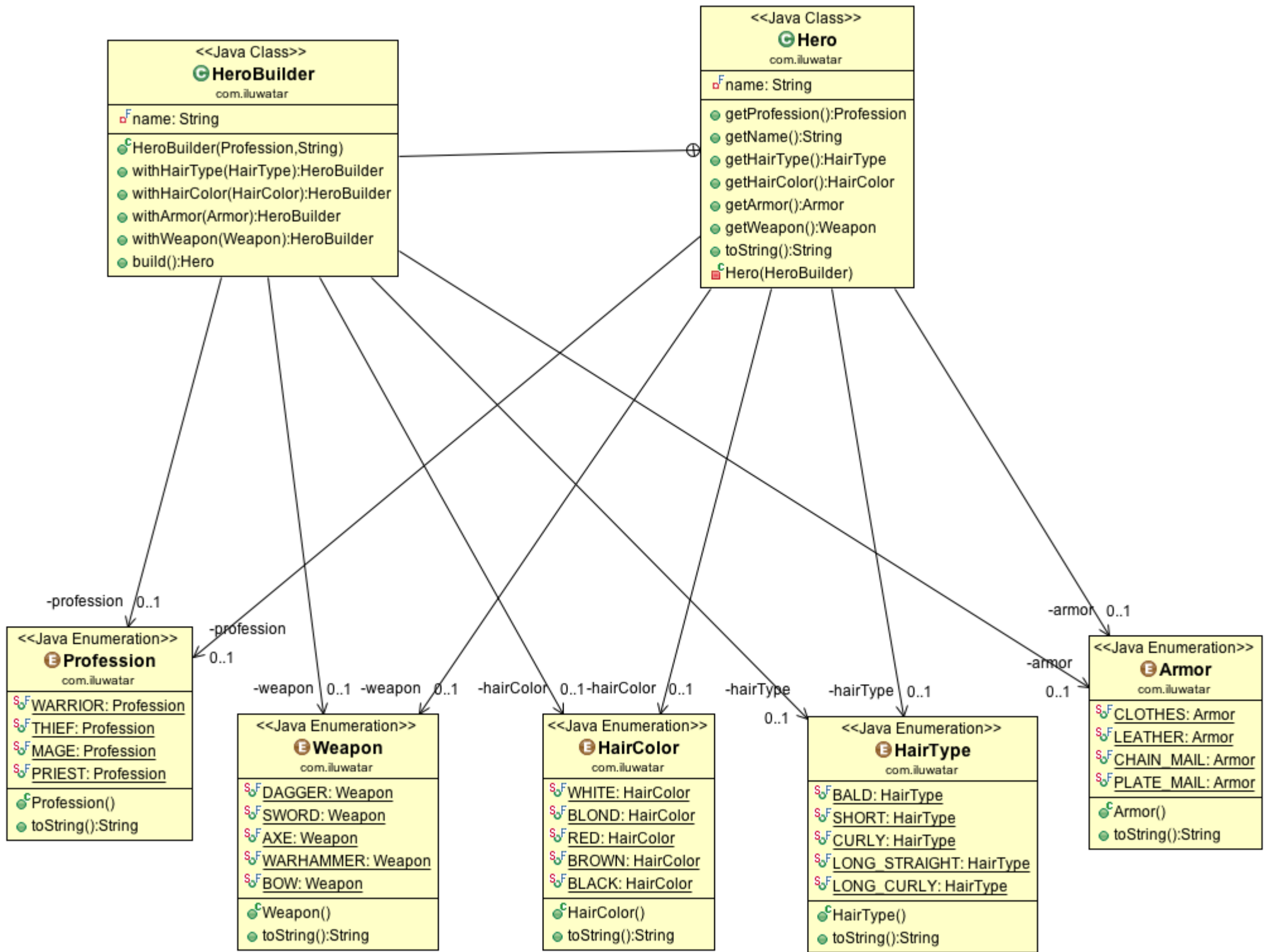
# Builder (1)

**Aim:** It makes the creation of complex objects independent of their representation. As a result with the same process we can create different representations.



# Builder (2)

- **Example code:**  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/builder>



**<<Java Class>>**  
**HeroBuilder**  
 com.iluwatar

name: String

HeroBuilder(Profession, String)

- withHairType(HairType): HeroBuilder
- withHairColor(HairColor): HeroBuilder
- withArmor(Armor): HeroBuilder
- withWeapon(Weapon): HeroBuilder
- build(): Hero

**<<Java Class>>**  
**Hero**  
 com.iluwatar

name: String

- getProfession(): Profession
- getName(): String
- getHairType(): HairType
- getHairColor(): HairColor
- getArmor(): Armor
- getWeapon(): Weapon
- toString(): String

Hero(HeroBuilder)

**<<Java Enumeration>>**  
**Profession**  
 com.iluwatar

- WARRIOR: Profession
- THIEF: Profession
- MAGE: Profession
- PRIEST: Profession

Profession()

toString(): String

**<<Java Enumeration>>**  
**Weapon**  
 com.iluwatar

- DAGGER: Weapon
- SWORD: Weapon
- AXE: Weapon
- WARHAMMER: Weapon
- BOW: Weapon

Weapon()

toString(): String

**<<Java Enumeration>>**  
**HairColor**  
 com.iluwatar

- WHITE: HairColor
- BLOND: HairColor
- RED: HairColor
- BROWN: HairColor
- BLACK: HairColor

HairColor()

toString(): String

**<<Java Enumeration>>**  
**HairType**  
 com.iluwatar

- BALD: HairType
- SHORT: HairType
- CURLY: HairType
- LONG STRAIGHT: HairType
- LONG CURLY: HairType

HairType()

toString(): String

**<<Java Enumeration>>**  
**Armor**  
 com.iluwatar

- CLOTHES: Armor
- LEATHER: Armor
- CHAIN\_MAIL: Armor
- PLATE\_MAIL: Armor

Armor()

toString(): String

# Builder (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.StringBuilder`

- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/StringBuilder.html>

- `java.time.format.DateTimeFormatterBuilder`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/time/format/DateTimeFormatterBuilder.html>

- `java.util.Locale.Builder`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Locale.Builder.html>

# Factory method (1)

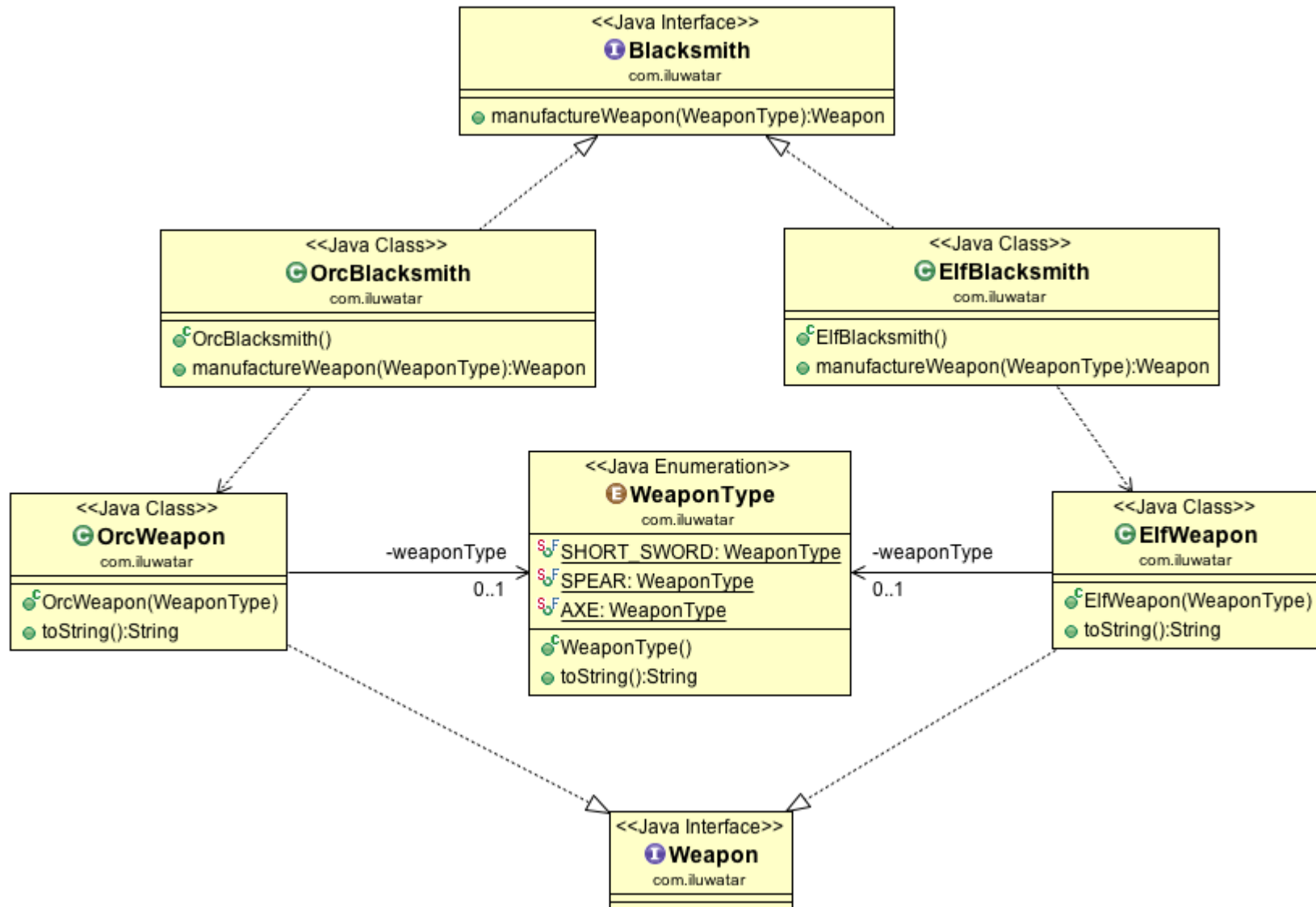
- **Aim:**
  - It provides an interface to create an object but it lets the subclasses to decide which class is instantiated

# Factory method (2)

- **Example:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/factory-method>

# Factory method (3)



# Factory method (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `javax.xml.parsers.DocumentBuilderFactory#newDocumentBuilder()`

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/xml/parsers/DocumentBuilderFactory.html#newDocumentBuilder-->

- `javax.xml.parsers.SAXParserFactory#newSAXParser()`

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/xml/parsers/SAXParserFactory.html#newSAXParser-->

# Object pool (1)

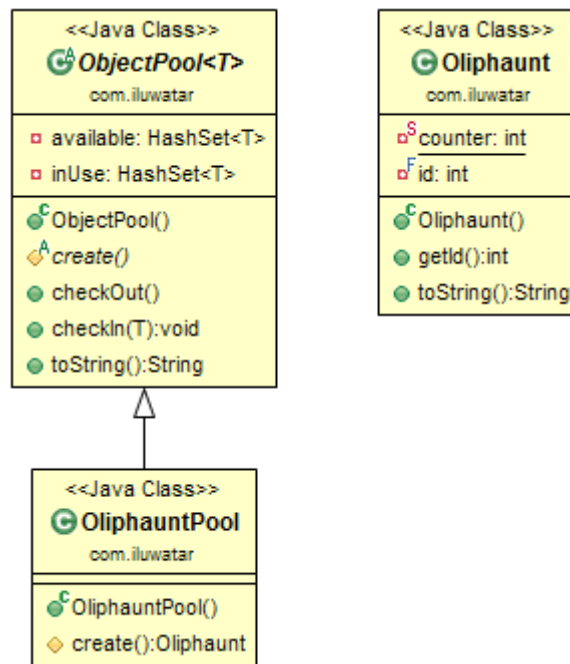
- **Aim:** Registers a set of initialized objects for the service of the demands instead of erasing and re-instantiating them



# Object pool (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/object-pool>



# Object pool (3)

- **Known uses:**

- Pooling database connections (*connection pooling*)

- E.g.:

- *Apache Commons DBCP*

- <https://commons.apache.org/proper/commons-dbcp/>

- *HikariCP* <https://brettwooldridge.github.io/HikariCP/>

- *Vibur DBCP* <http://www.vibur.org/>

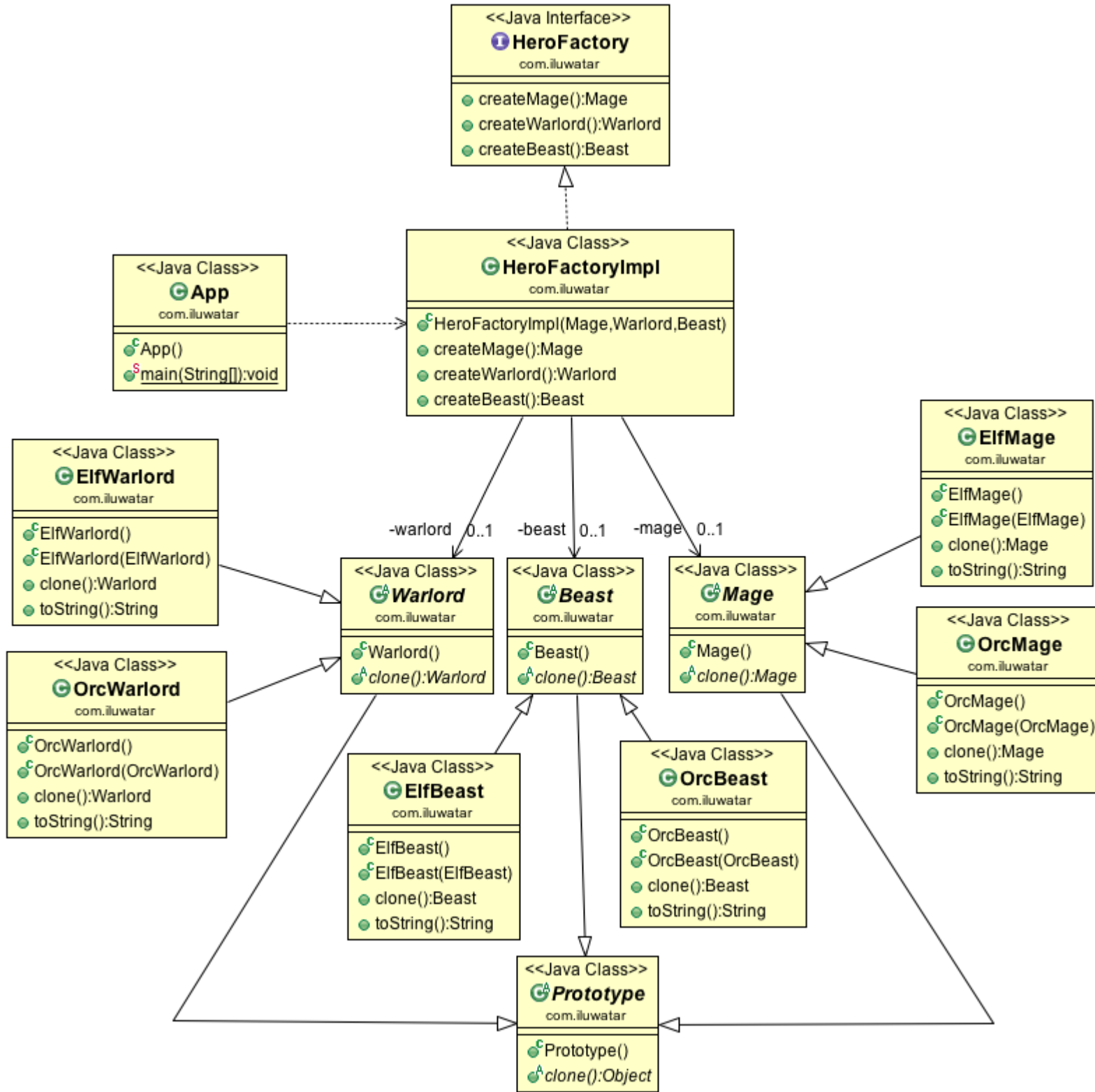
# Prototype (1)

- **Aim:** By providing a prototype instance it defines what type of objects are to be created. The object are copies of this prototype

# Prototype (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/prototype>



# Prototype (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.Cloneable`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Cloneable.html>

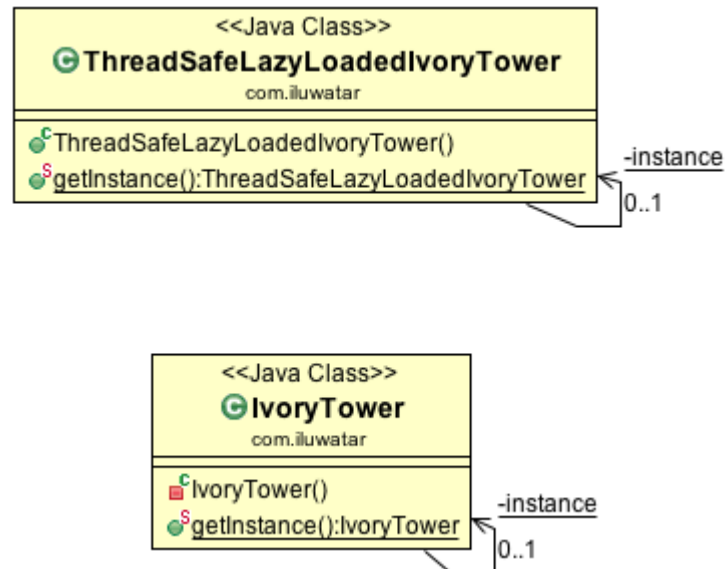
# Singleton (1)

**Aim:** It lets only one instance to be created from a class. For this it provides a global access point.

# Singleton (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/singleton>





# Singleton (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.Runtime`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Runtime.html>

- `java.time.chrono.IsoChronology`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/time/chrono/IsoChronology.html>

# More creational patterns

- *Factory Kit*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/factory-kit>
- *Module* <https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/module>
- *Monostate*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/monostate>
- *Multiton*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/multiton>
- *Object Mother*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/object-mother>
- *Step Builder*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/step-builder>
- *Value Object*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/value-object>
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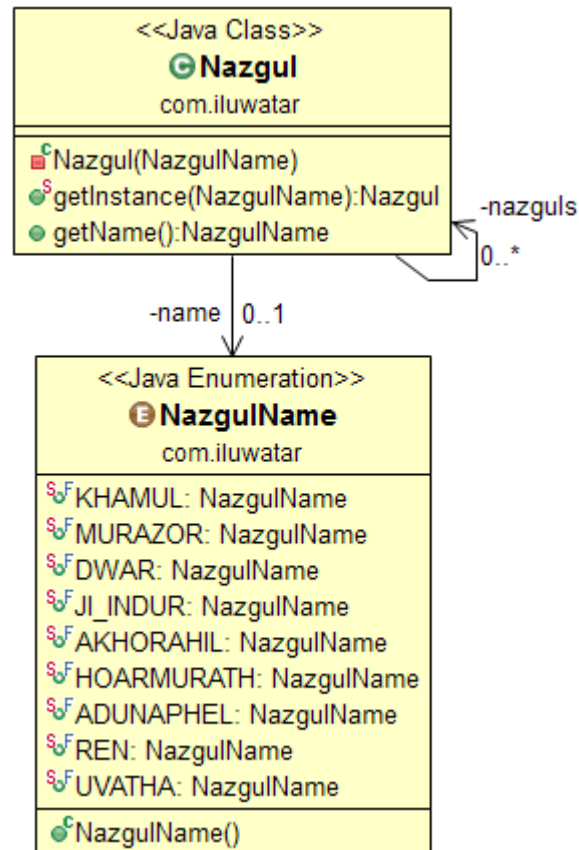
# Multition (1)

- **Aim:** It lets only a given number of instances to be created from a class. For them it provides a global access point.

# Multiton (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/multiton>



# Multiton (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.Thread.State`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Thread.State.html>

- `java.math.RoundingMode`

- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/math/RoundingMode.html>

- `java.time.DayOfWeek`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/time/DayOfWeek.html>

- `java.time.chrono.IsoEra`

- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/time/chrono/IsoEra.html>

# Structural patterns (GoF)

- *Adapter*
- *Bridge*
- *Composite*
- *Decorator*
- *Facade*
- *Flyweight*
- *Proxy*

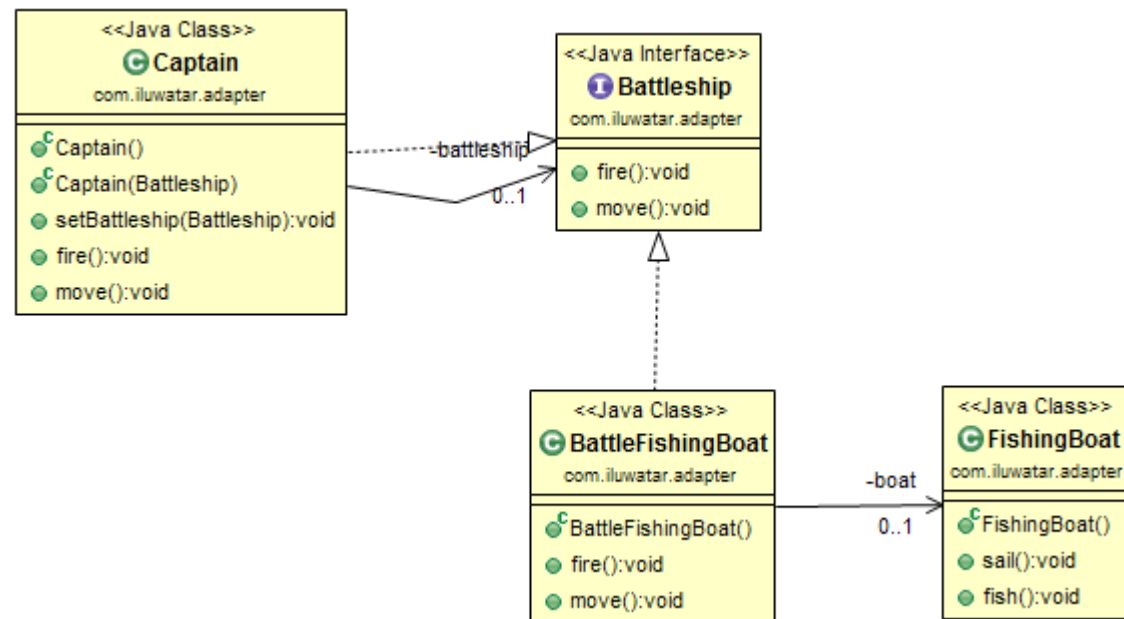
# Adapter (1)

- **Aim:**
  - It converts the interface of a class to the interface that can be used by other classes.
  - By the use of it classes with incompatible interfaces may work together

# Adapter (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/adapter>





# Adapter (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.io.InputStreamReader`  
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/io/InputStreamReader.html>
- `java.io.OutputStreamWriter`  
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/io/OutputStreamWriter.html>
- `javax.xml.bind.annotation.adapters.XmlAdapter`  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/xml/bind/annotation/adapters/XmlAdapter.html>
- `org.xml.sax.helpers.ParserAdapter`  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/org/xml/sax/helpers/ParserAdapter.html>
- `org.xml.sax.helpers.XMLReaderAdapter`  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/org/xml/sax/helpers/XMLReaderAdapter.html>

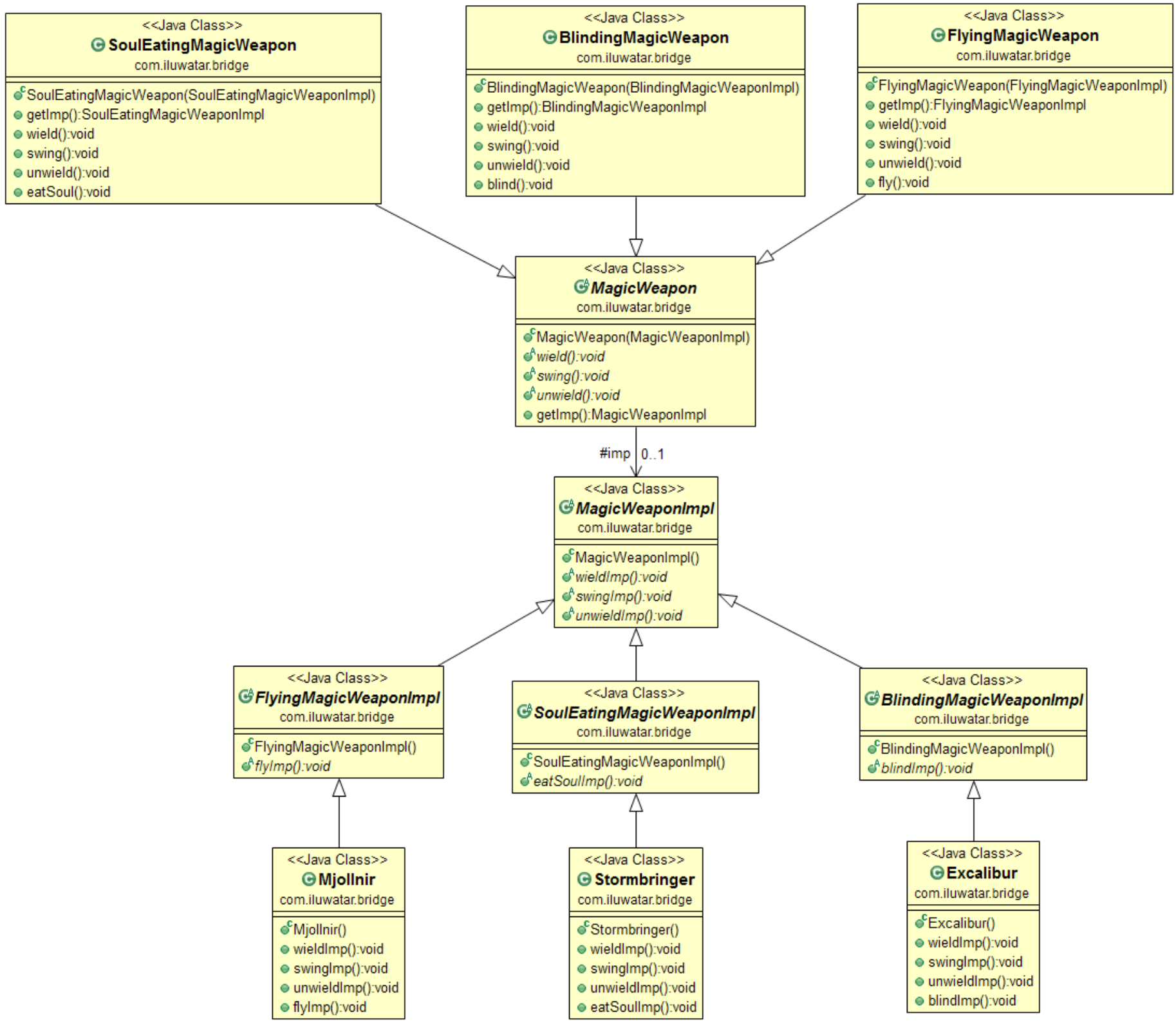
# Bridge (1)

**Aim:** It separates the abstract representation from the implementation so that they can be modified separately.

# Bridge (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/bridge>



# Bridge (4)

- **Known uses:**

- *JDBC* <https://jcp.org/en/jsr/detail?id=221>

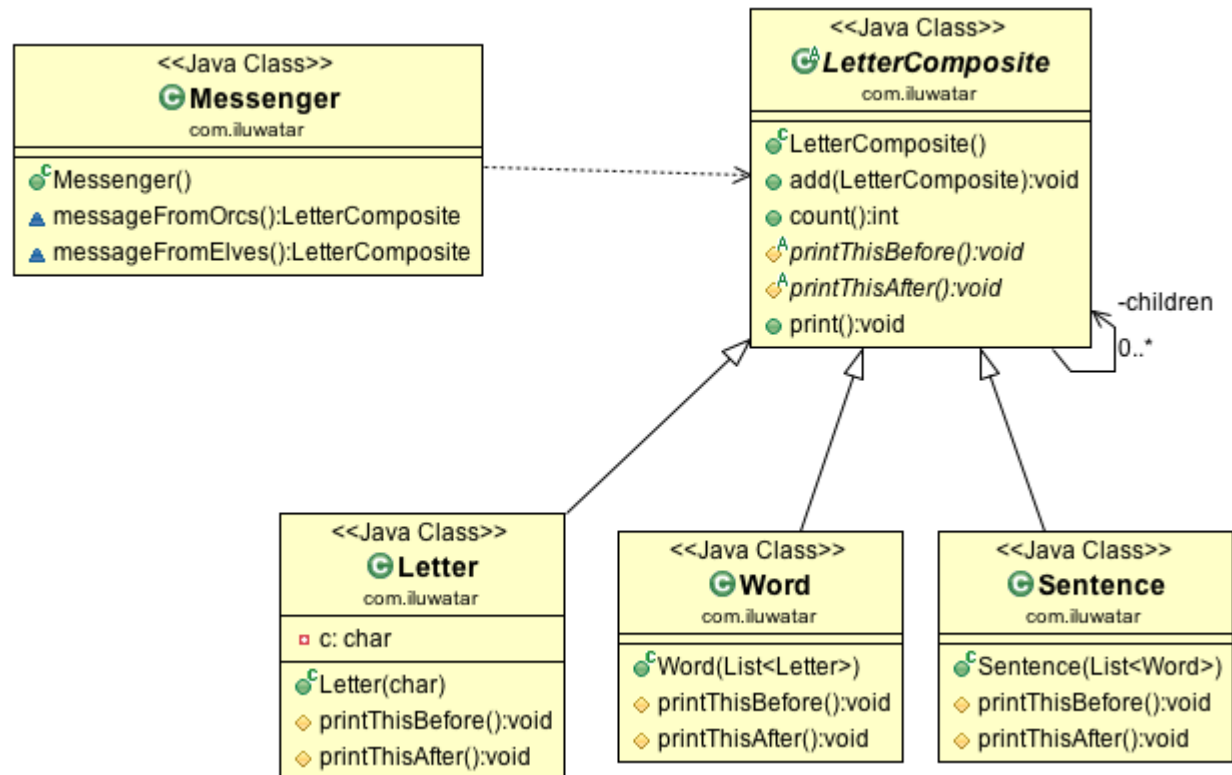
# Composite (1)

- **Aim:**
  - The objects are structured as a tree in order to illustrate the part-whole relations
  - As a result the separate objects and the composites may be handled as well

# Composite (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/composite>



# Composite (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `javafx.scene.Node`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javafx/2/api/javafx/scene/Node.html>

- *jsoup: Java HTML Parser* <https://jsoup.org/>

- `org.jsoup.nodes.Node`

- <https://jsoup.org/apidocs/org/jsoup/nodes/Node.html>



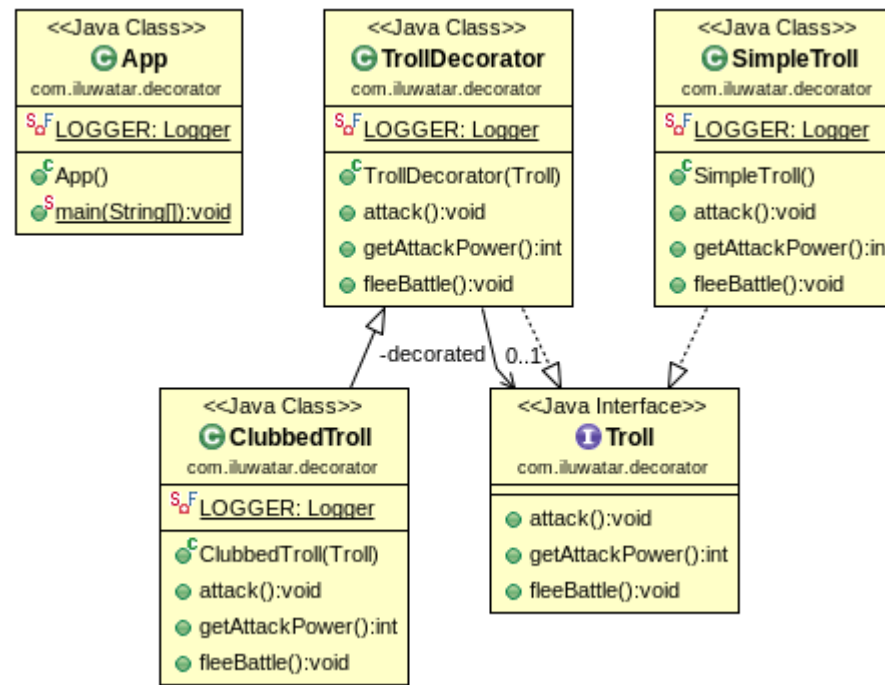
# Decorator (1)

- **Aim:**
  - Adds more additional responsibilities to classes dynamically.
  - Can be used as an alternative of sub-classes.

# Decorator (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/decorator>



# Decorator (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.io.InputStream`

- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/io/InputStream.html>

- Where the constructor gets `InputStream` objects, like `java.io.ObjectInputStream`.

- `java.io.OutputStream`

- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/io/OutputStream.html>

- Where the constructor gets `OutputStream` objects, like `java.io.ObjectOutputStream`.

- `java.util.Collections#unmodifiableXXX()`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Collections.html>

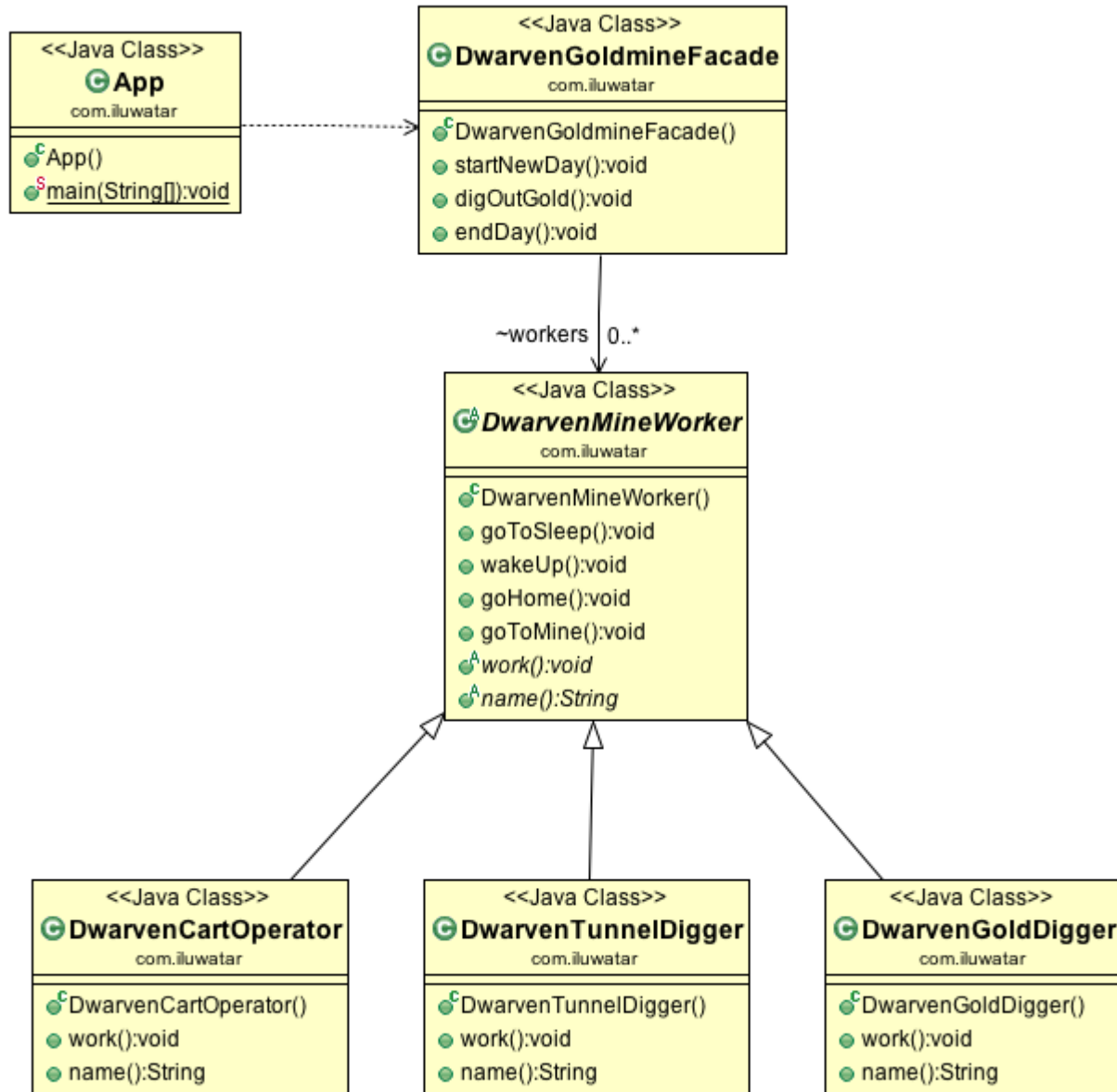
# Facade (1)

- **Aim:**
  - In a sub-system it provides a main interface that gathers a set of other interfaces.
  - By the use of it a higher level interface is provided in order to make the use of the subsystem more easy.

# Facade (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/facade>



# Facade (4)

- **Known uses:**
  - *Simple Logging Facade for Java (SLF4J)*  
<https://www.slf4j.org/>

# Flyweight (1)

## **Aim:**

- Supports the use of high mass granular objects.

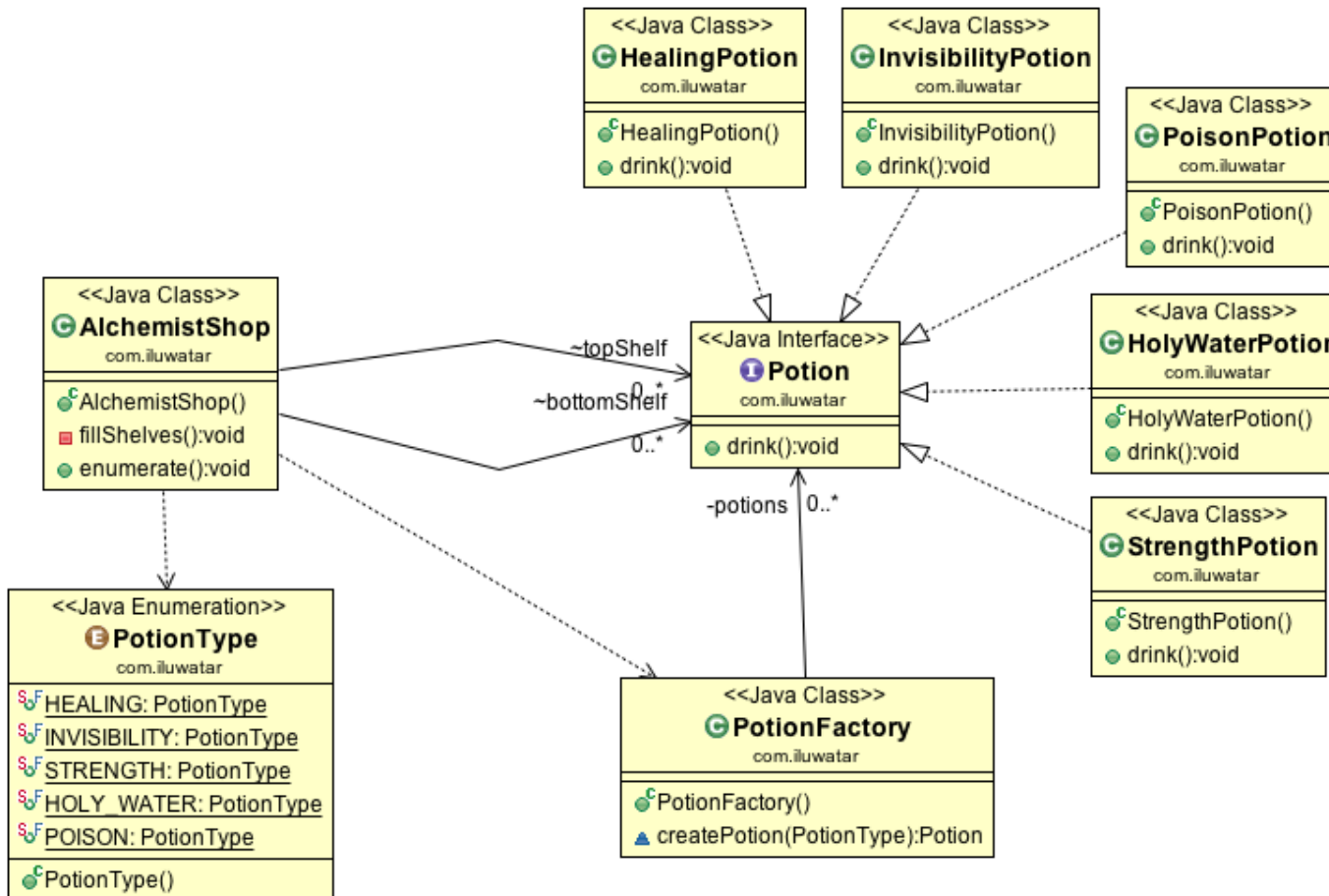


# Flyweight (2)

- **Example:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/flyweight>

# Flyweight (3)



# Flyweight (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.Byte#valueOf(byte b)`  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Byte.html#valueOf-byte->
- `java.lang.Character#valueOf(char c)`  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Character.html#valueOf-char->
- `java.lang.Integer#valueOf(int i)`  
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Integer.html#valueOf-int->

# Proxy (1)

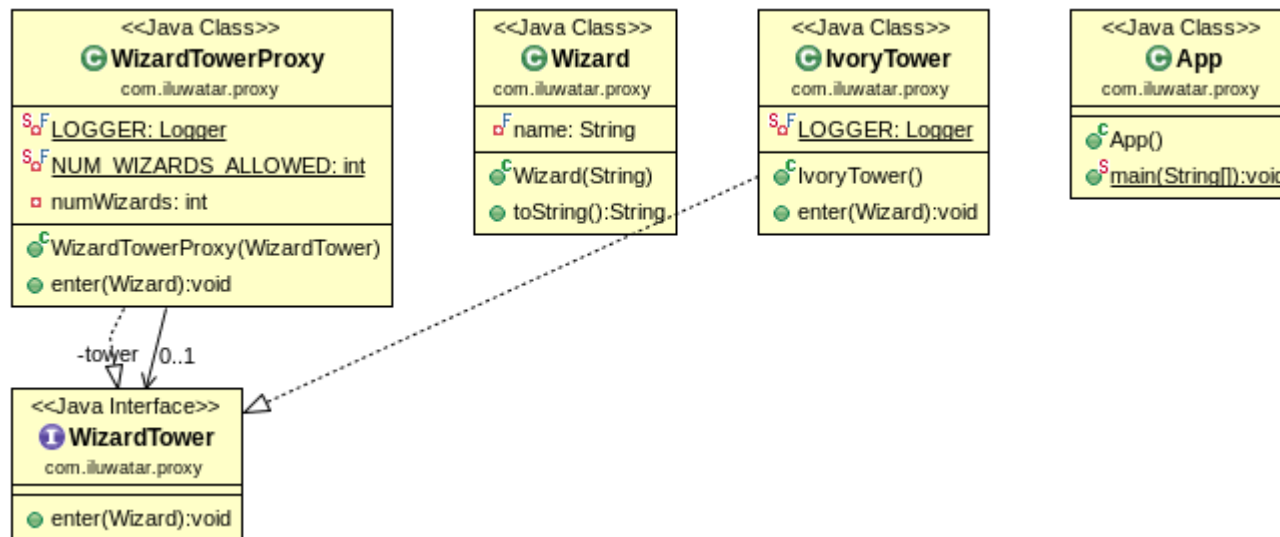
## **Aim:**

- A given object is replaced by another one that overrides the access to the original object as well.

# Proxy (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/proxy>



# Proxy (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.reflect.Proxy`

- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/reflect/Proxy.html>

- *Apache Commons Proxy*

- <https://commons.apache.org/proper/commons-proxy/>

# More structural patterns

- *Abstract Document*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/abstract-document>
- *Module*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/module>
- *Private Class Data*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/private-class-data>
- *Twin*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/twin>
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# Twin (1)

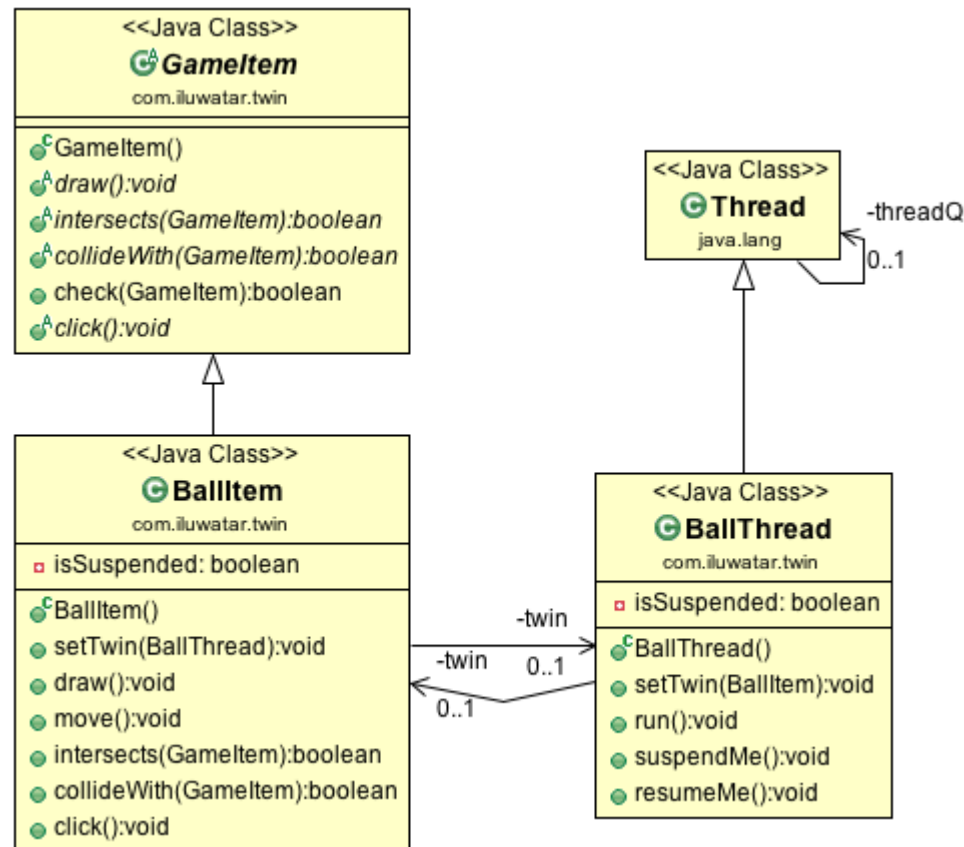
- **Aim:**
  - Model multiple inheritance in languages where it is not supported by default.



# Twin (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/twin>



# Behavioral patterns (GoF)

- *Chain of Responsibility*
- *Command*
- *Interpreter*
- *Iterator*
- *Mediator*
- *Memento*
- *Observer*
- *State*
- *Strategy*
- *Template Method*
- *Visitor*

# Chain of Responsibility (1)

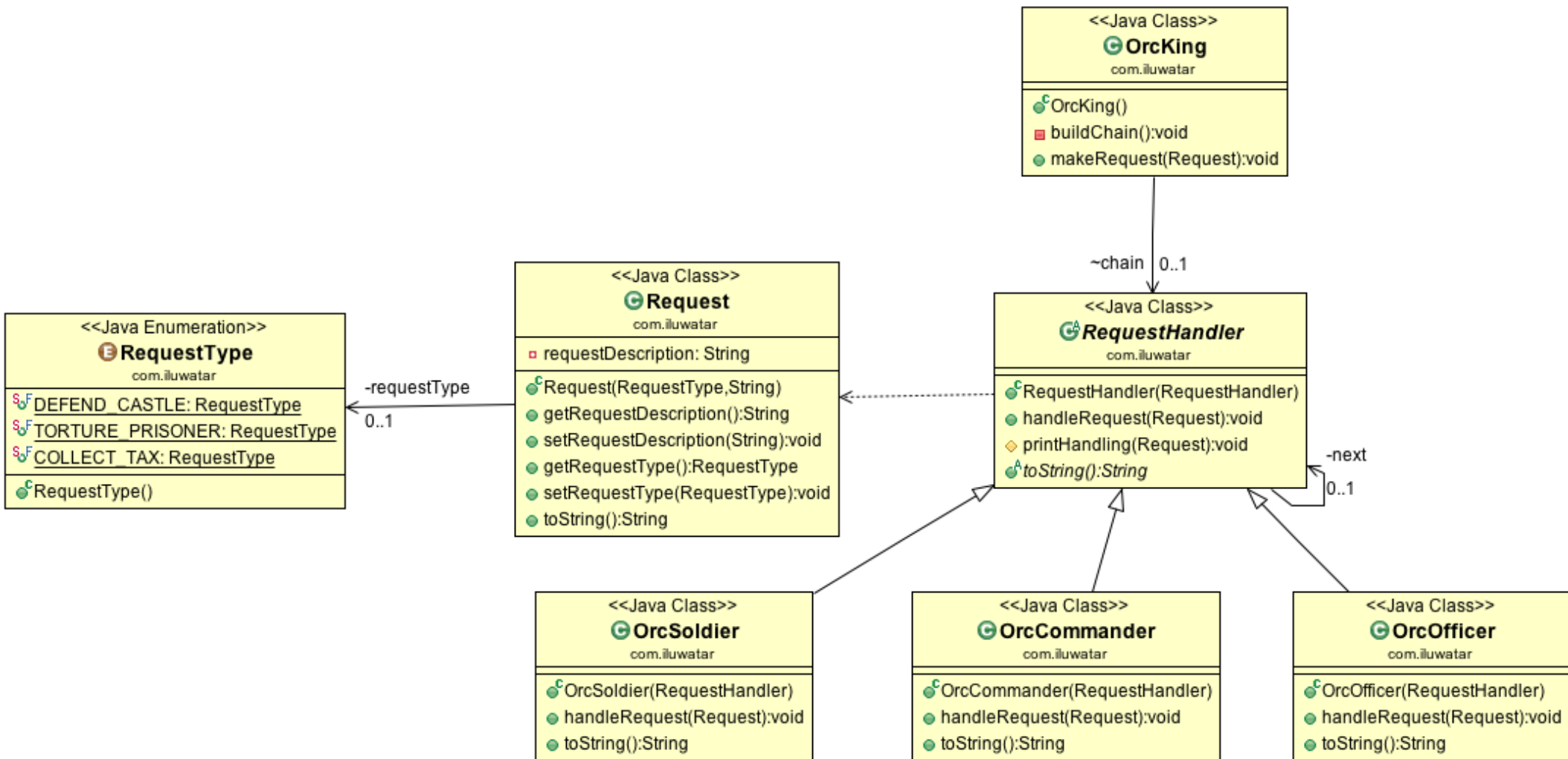
- **Aim:**
  - The aim is to avoid the connection of the sender of the request to the receiver
  - We do this by providing the right to handle the request for more objects.
  - The receiver objects may be chained. The object goes in the chain while it reaches such an object that can handle it.

# Chain of Responsibility (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/chain>

# Chain of Responsibility (3)



# Chain of Responsibility (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.util.logging.Logger`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/logging/Logger.html>

# Command (1)

## **Aim:**

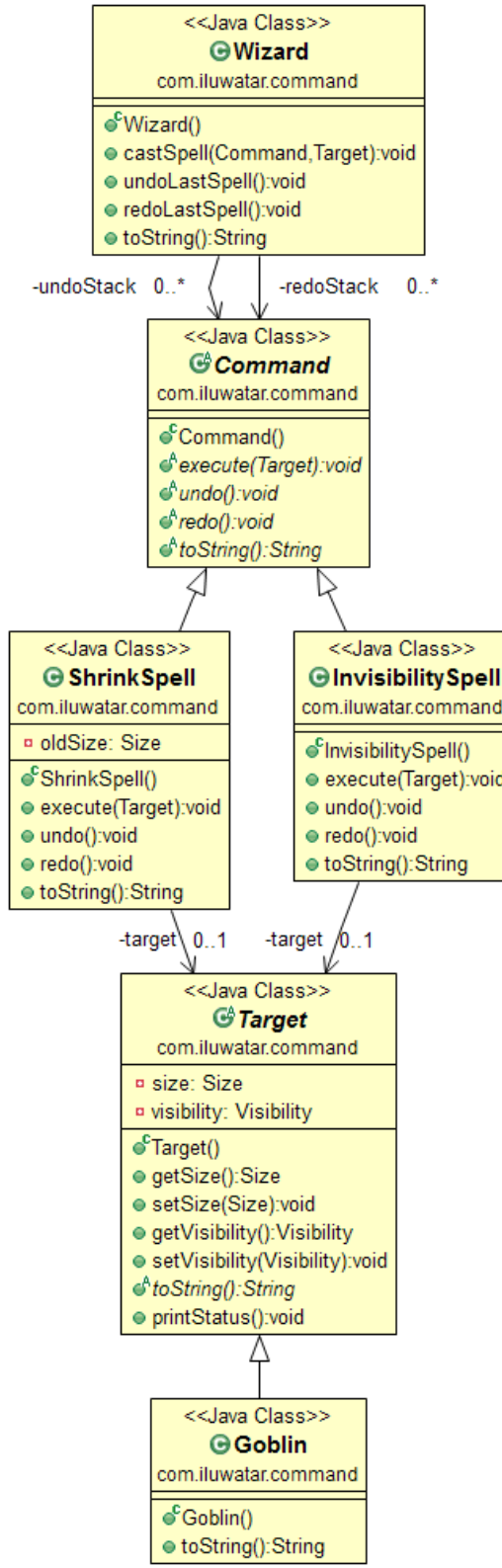
- It closes queries to an object in order to make it possible to give these queries as parameters to other agents

# Command (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/command>





# Command (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.lang.Runnable`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Runnable.html>

# Interpreter (1)

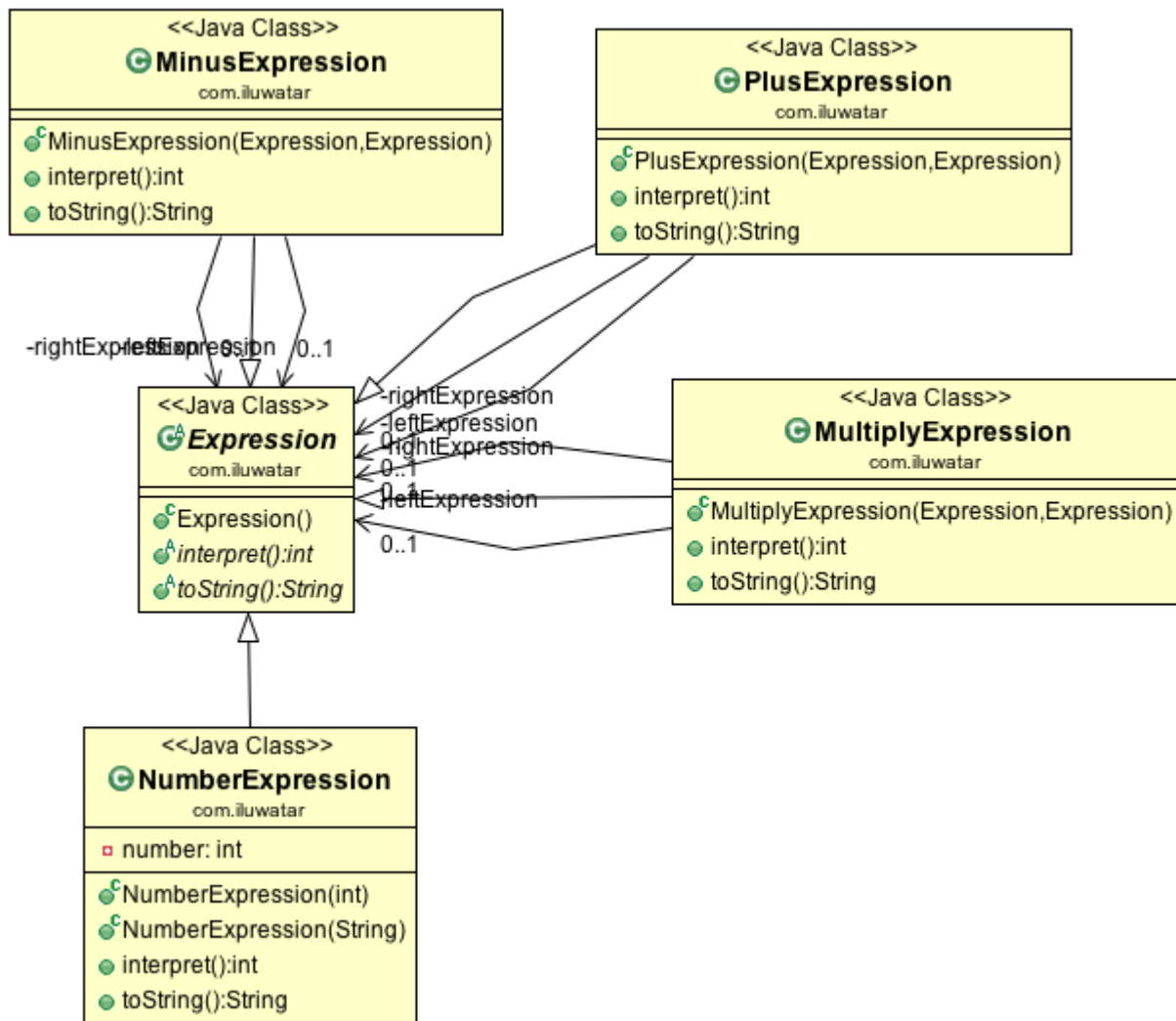
- **Aim:** Represents the grammar of a given language and provide an interpreter for it that understands the sentences of that language.

# Interpreter (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/interpreter>

# Interpreter (3)



# Interpreter (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.text.Format`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/text/Format.html>

- `java.time.format.DateTimeFormatter`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/time/format/DateTimeFormatter.html>

- `java.util.regex.Pattern`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/regex/Pattern.html>

# Iterator (1)

## **Aim:**

- It provides a sequential access to elements of complex objects without showing the representation of the objects

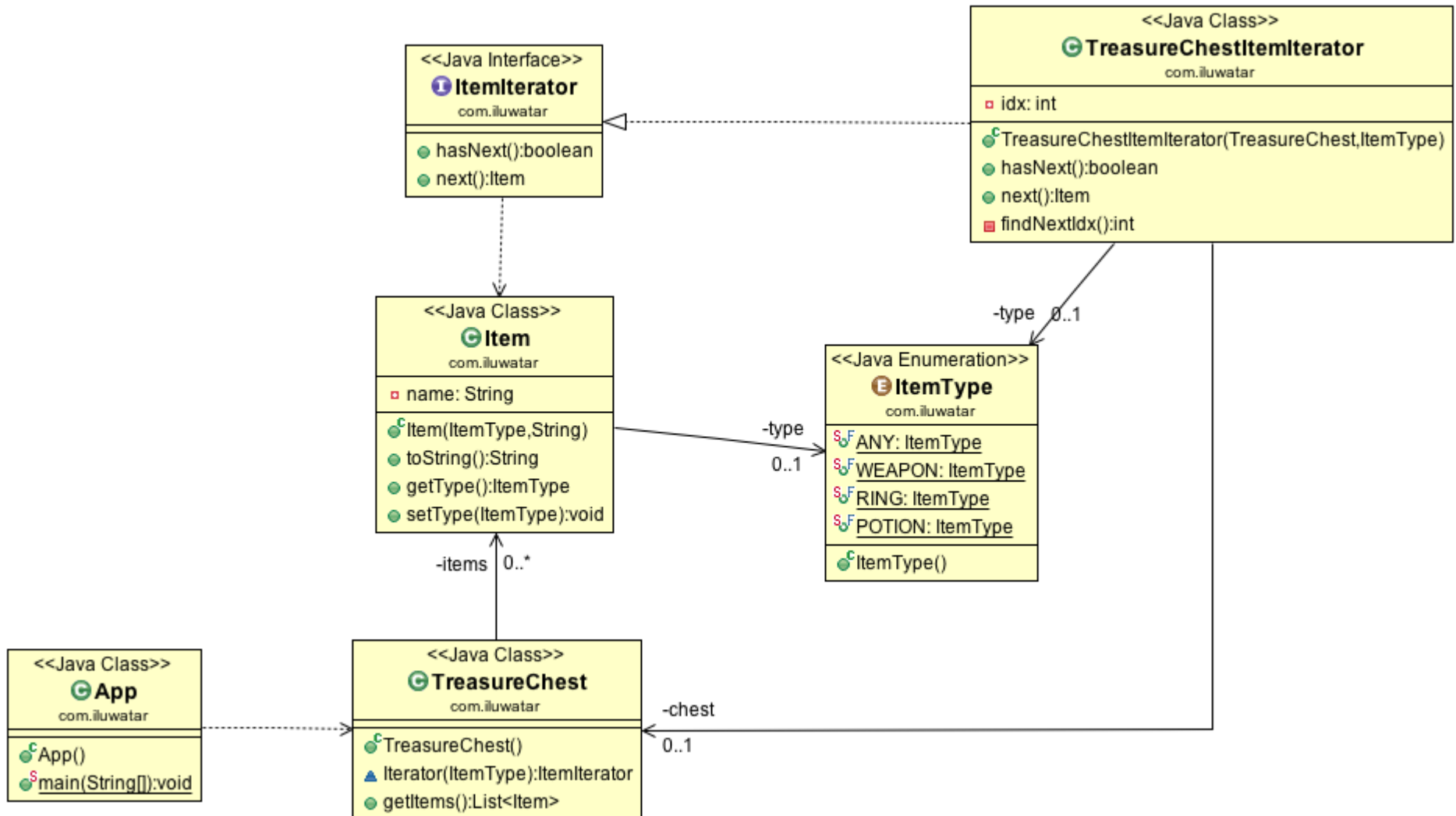
# Iterator (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/iterator>



# Iterator (3)



# Iterator (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.util.Enumeration`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Enumeration.html>

- `java.util.Iterator`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Iterator.html>

# Mediator (1)

- **Aim:**

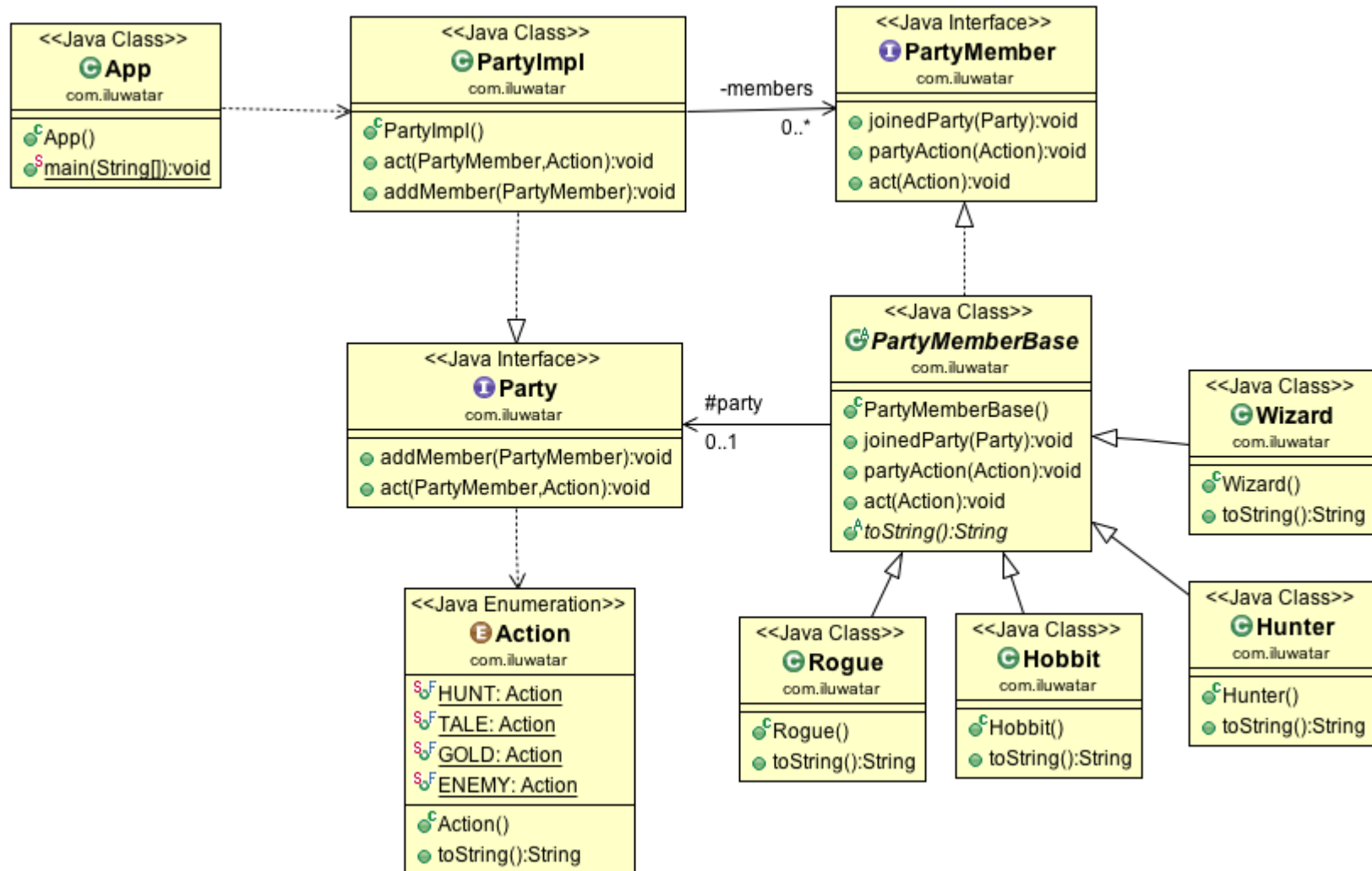
- The aim is to provide an object that controls the the cooperation of a set of objects
- By this mmethod we create a weak connection where the objects do not refer to each other and the connectins between them may be modified independently of each other

# Mediator (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/mediator>

# Mediator (3)



# Mediator (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.util.Timer`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Timer.html>

# Memento (1)

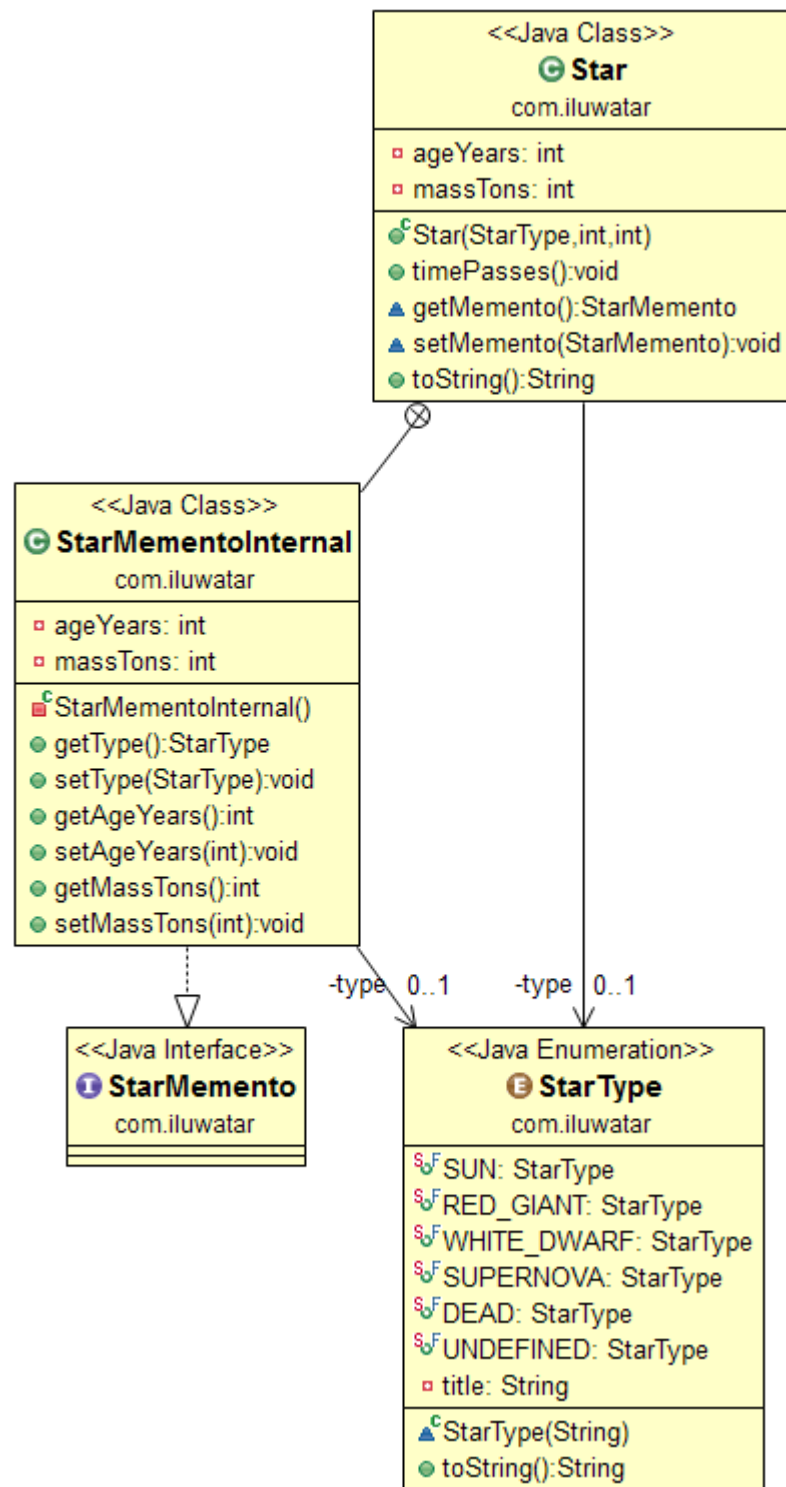
- **Aim:**
  - Save the show the inner state of an object without breaking enclosure so that later the object can be loaded back to this previous state

# Memento (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/memento>





# Memento (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.util.Date`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Date.html>

- See `getTime()` and `setTime(long time)` methods.

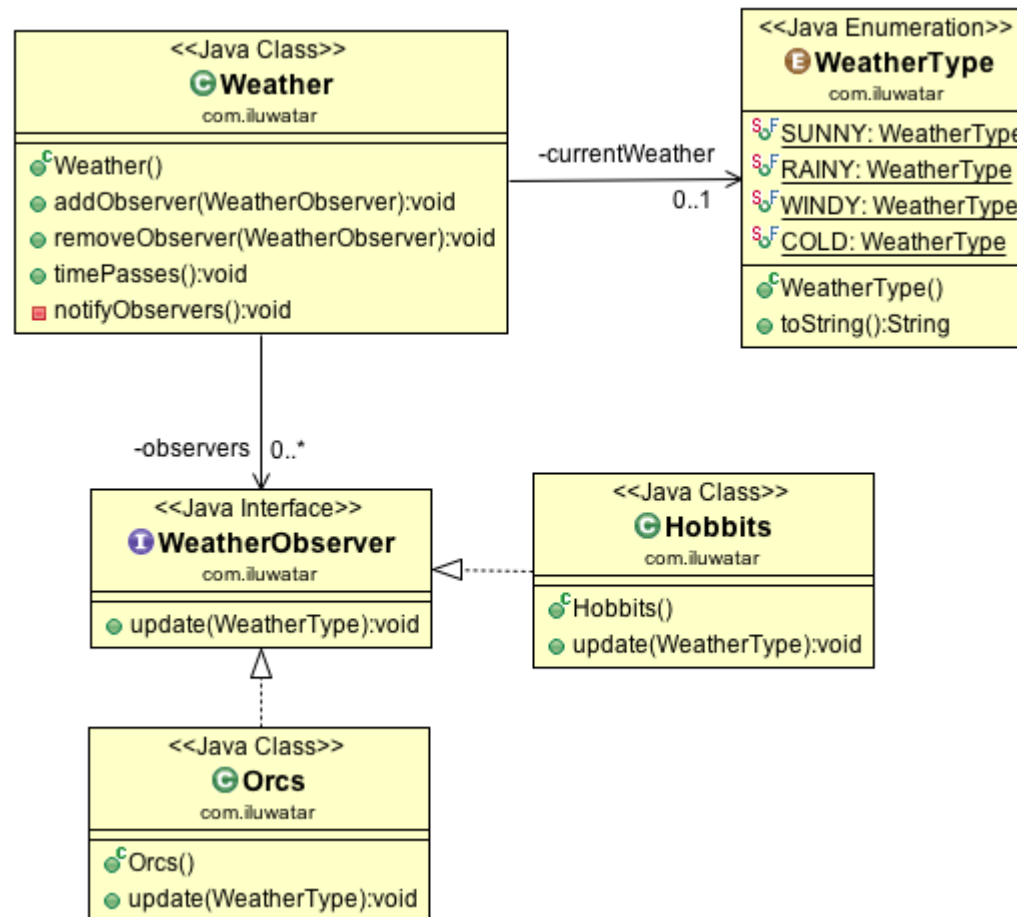
# Observer (1)

- **Aim:**
  - Provides a connection between objects so that if an object changes all other objects depending on it are informed about that

# Observer (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/observer>



# Observer (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.util.EventListener`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/EventListener.html>

- `java.util.Observer`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Observer.html>

- `java.util.Observable`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Observable.html>

# State (1)

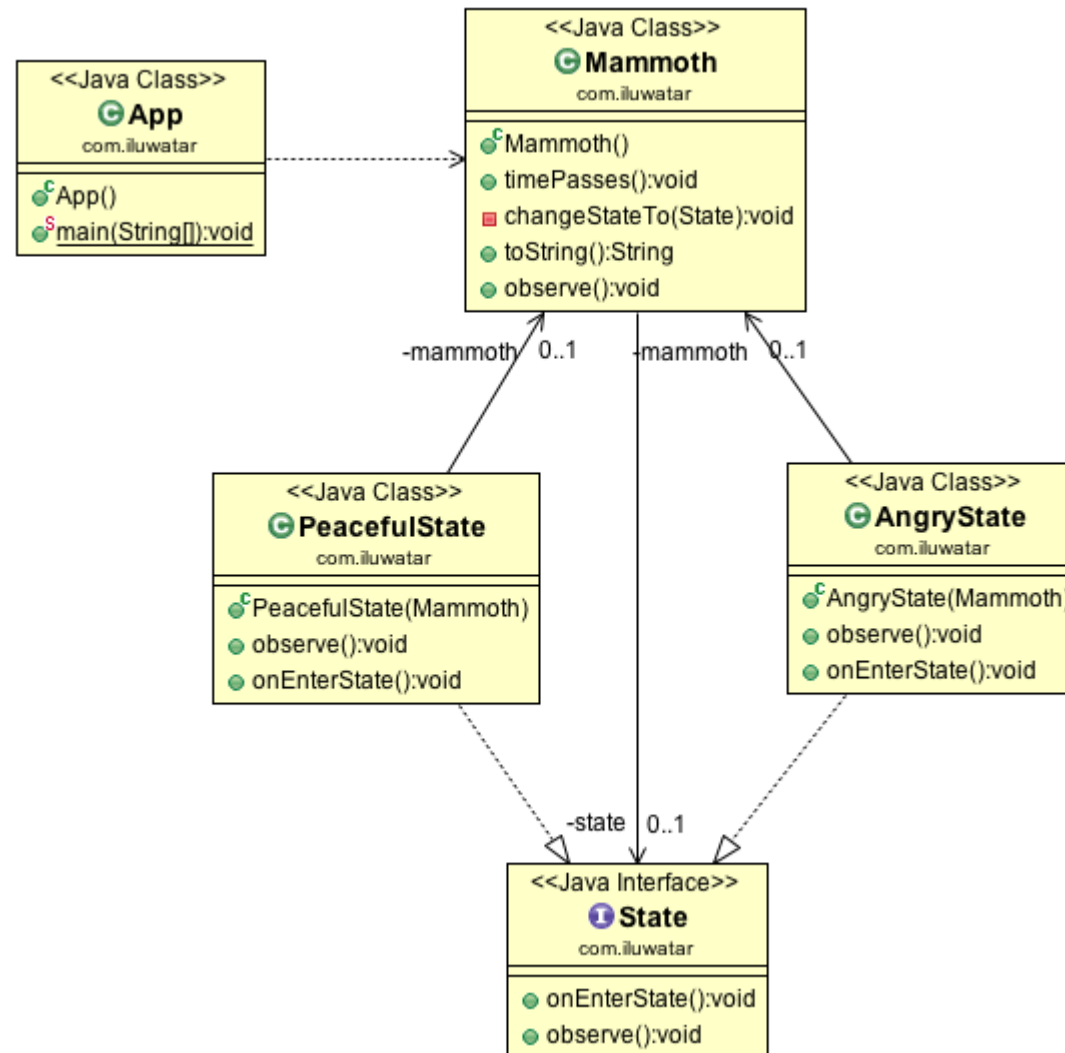
- **Aim:**
  - It lets the object to change its behavior by changing its inner state.
  - Appearingly the object changes its class.

# State (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/state>

# State (3)





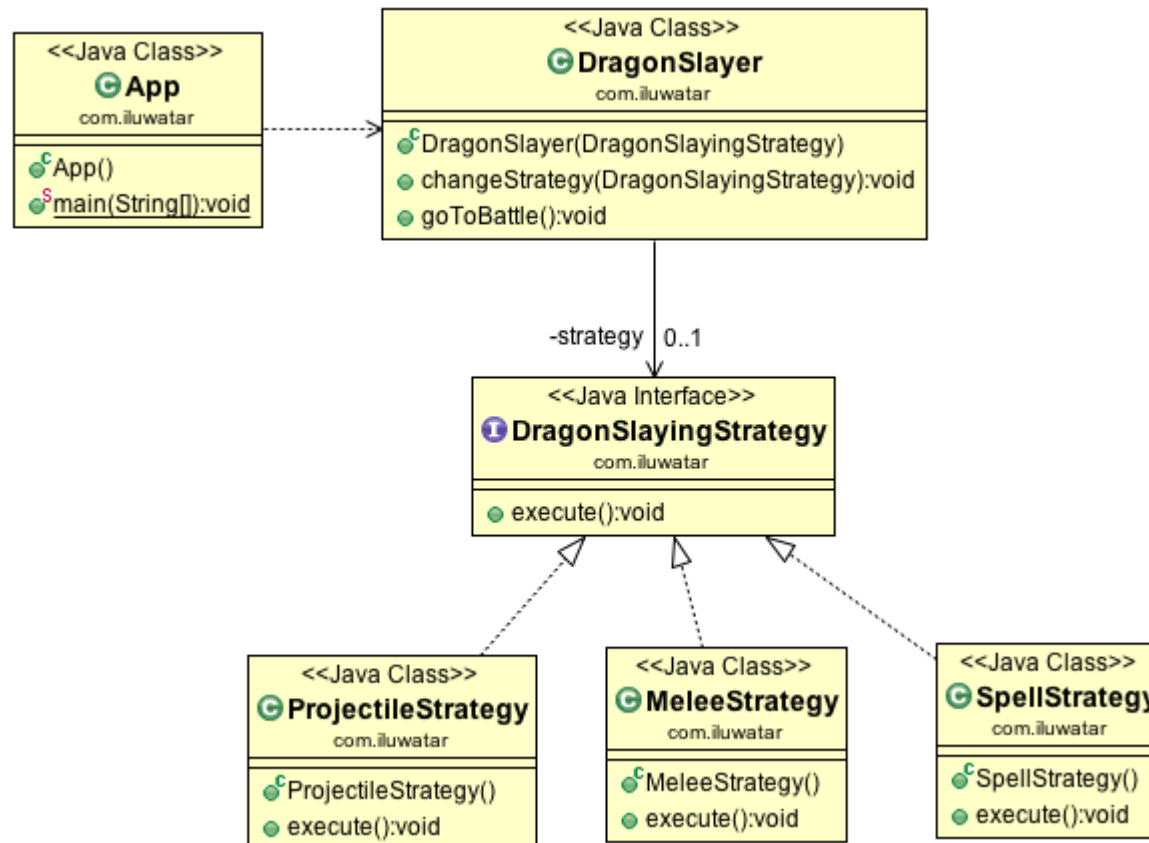
# Strategy (1)

- **Aim:**
  - Defines an algorithm family in which the algorithms are collected to separate units making it able to replace them by each other
  - As a result the algorithm can be modified independently of the client

# Strategy (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/strategy>



# Strategy (3)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.util.Collections`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Collections.html>

- See `binarySearch()`, `max()`, `min()` and `sort()` methods.

- Related interfaces:

- `java.lang.Comparable`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Comparable.html>

- `java.util.Comparator`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Comparator.html>

# Template method (1)

- **Aim**

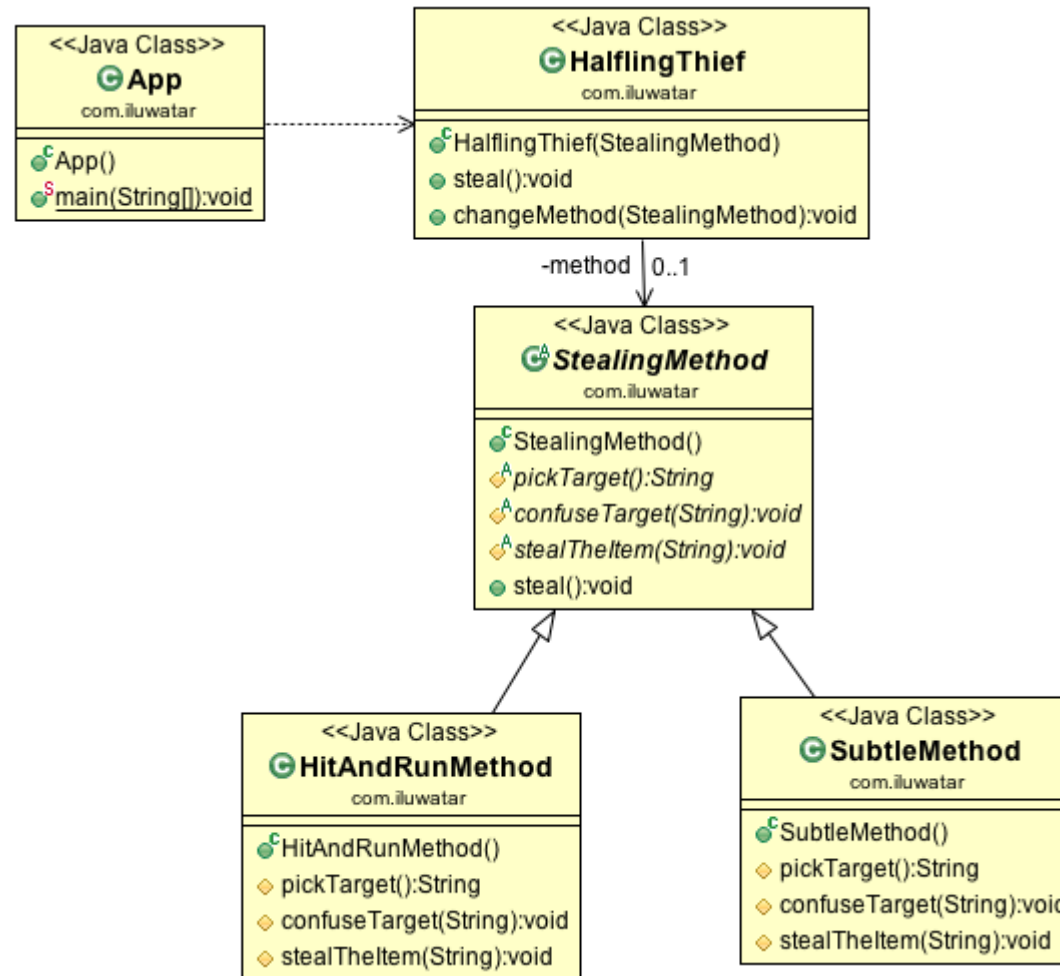
- It provides the skeleton of the algorithm of a given method while letting the subclasses to implement the steps.
- As a result the subclasses may override given steps of the algorithm without modifying the structure of it

# Template method (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/template-method>

# Template method (3)



# Template method (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.io.InputStream`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/io/InputStream.html>

- `java.io.OutputStream`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/io/OutputStream.html>

- `java.util.ArrayList`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/ArrayList.html>

- `java.util.AbstractMap`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/AbstractMap.html>

- `java.util.AbstractQueue`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/AbstractQueue.html>

# Visitor (1)

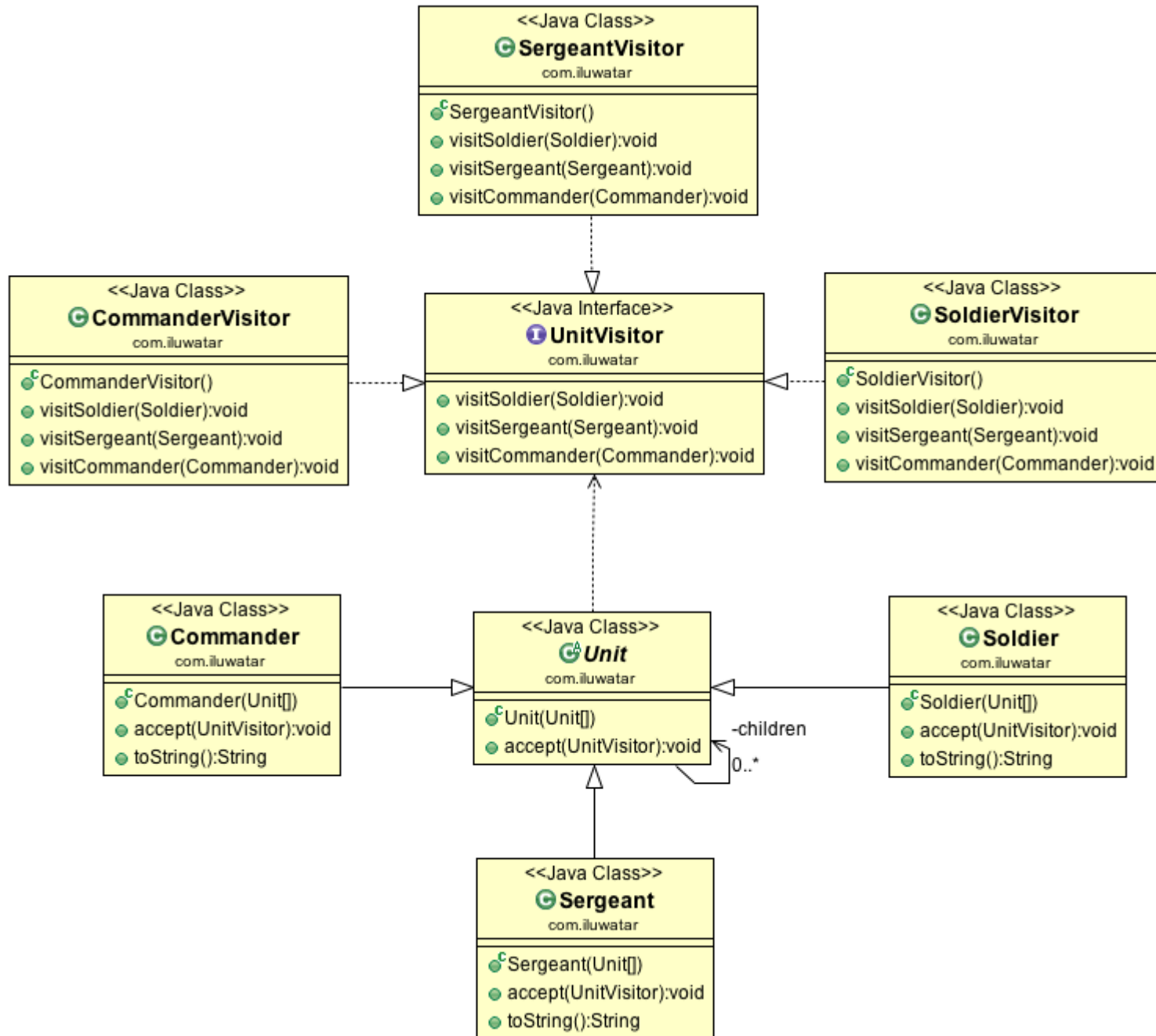
- **Aim:**
  - Represents an operation that can be executed on the elements of an object structure
  - By the use of this pattern we can define a new operation without the need of changing the class of the affected elements



# Visitor (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/visitor>



# Visitor (4)

- **Known uses:**

- `java.nio.file.FileVisitor`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/nio/file/FileVisitor.html>

- `javax.lang.model.element.Element`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/lang/model/element/Element.html>

- `javax.lang.model.element.ElementVisitor`

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/javax/lang/model/element/ElementVisitor.html>

# More behavioral patterns

- *Null Object*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/null-object>
- *Servant*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/servant>
- *Specification*  
<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/specification>
- ...

# Null object (1)

- **Aim:**
  - Provide an alternative of the `null` reference to indicate the absence of an object by the use of an object that implements the required interface by providing only empty method bodies for the abstract methods.

# Null object (2)

- **Example code:**

<https://github.com/iluwatar/java-design-patterns/tree/master/null-object>

