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COMPOSITE PATTERN

What is Composite Pattern

Structural Pattern

- Allows a group of objects to be treated as single instance of object
- Intend to compose objects into tree structures to represent part-whole hierarchies

Motivation

- Complexity in tree-structured data
- Interface to treat complex objects uniformly
- Design to "has-a" relationship

When to use

- Supposed you are a commander
- You're giving command "fire" to your soldiers
- If you has 3 soldiers, that's fine, right?



When to use (Contd.)

What if you have 10 soldiers? Not going fine...

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C:\Documents and Settings\Windows X (LucIfiaR)\Desktop>command soldierA.fire(); soldierB.fire(); soldierC.fire(); soldierD.fire(); soldierF.fire(); soldierF.fire(); soldierG.fire(); soldierH.fire(); soldierI.fire();	
C:\Documents and Settings\Windows X (LucIfiaR)\Desktop}_	•

When to use (Contd.)

What if you have 100 or 1,000 soldiers?
I bet you'll be shot before giving your command to all of them...

When to use (Contd.)

How to make task simplier?

Assign an officer to give command to their soldiers

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C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
C:\Documents and Settings\Windows X (LucIfiaR)\Desktop>command
officerA.fire();
officerB.fire();
officerC.fire();
C:\Documents and Settings\Windows X (LucIfiaR)\Desktop>
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Now you have to command only 1-3 officers

Structure



Structure (Contd.)

Component

- is the abstraction for all components
- declares the interface for objects in the composition
- implements default behavior for the interface
- declares an interface for accessing and managing its child components
- (optional) defines an interface for accessing a components's parent in the recursive structure, and implements it if that's appropriate

Structure (Contd.)

Leaf

- represents leaf objects in the composition
- implements all Component methods

Structure (Contd.)

Composite

- represents a composite Component (component having children)
- implements methods to manipulate children
- implements all Component methods, generally by delegating them to its children

Examples

import java.util.ArrayList;

interface Commander {

//Fire command
public void fire();

class Officer implements Commander {

//Collection of soldiers.
private ArrayList<Commander> soldiers = new
ArrayList<Commander>();

//Group fire command
public void fire() {
 for (Commander soldier : soldiers) {
 soldier.fire();
 }

//Adds the soldier to officer's control.
 public void add(Commander soldier) {
 soldiers.add(soldier);
 }

//Removes the soldier from officer's control.
public void remove(Commander soldier) {
 soldiers.remove(soldier);

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class Soldier implements Commander {

//Fire command.
public void fire() {
 System.out.println("Fire!");

public class Command {

public static void main(String[] args) {
 //Initialize four soldiers
 Soldier soldier1 = new Soldier();
 Soldier soldier2 = new Soldier();
 Soldier soldier3 = new Soldier();
 Soldier soldier4 = new Soldier();

//Initialize three officers
 Officer officer = new Officer();
 Officer officer1 = new Officer();
 Officer officer2 = new Officer();

//Composes the officers
officer1.add(soldier1);
officer1.add(soldier2);
officer1.add(soldier3);
officer2.add(soldier4);

officer.add(officer1); officer.add(officer2);

//Prints the complete fire command (four times the string "Fire!"). officer.fire();

Questions?