

CS427a: Object-Oriented Programming

Design Patterns for Flexible and Reusable design

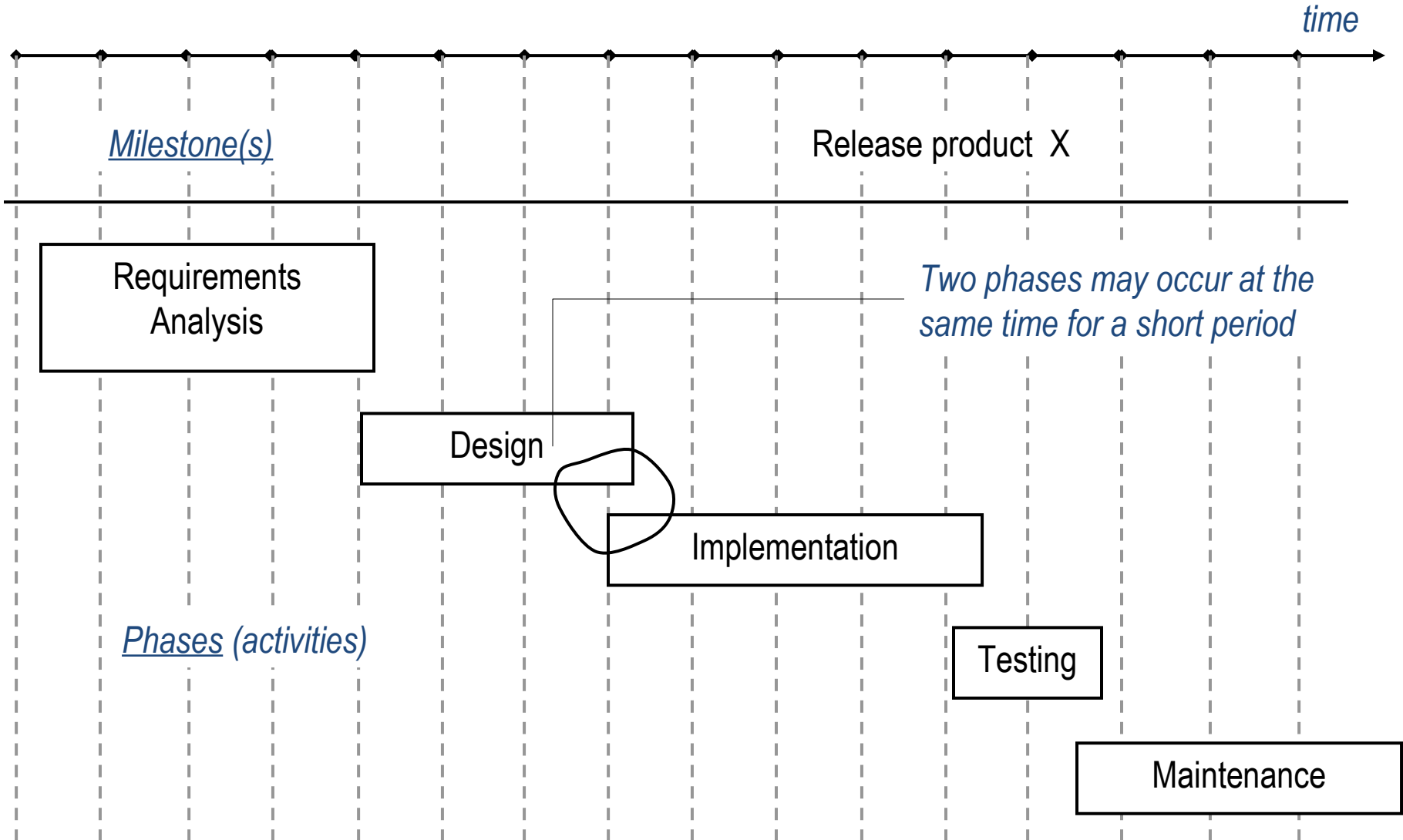
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Reusability, Flexibility, and Maintainability

- One thing constant in software development is CHANGE
- For software that is used over a period of years, the cost of keeping it current in the face of changing needs often exceeds the cost of originally developing it.
- A key need in software design is the ability for maintenance and modification to keep abreast of changes.

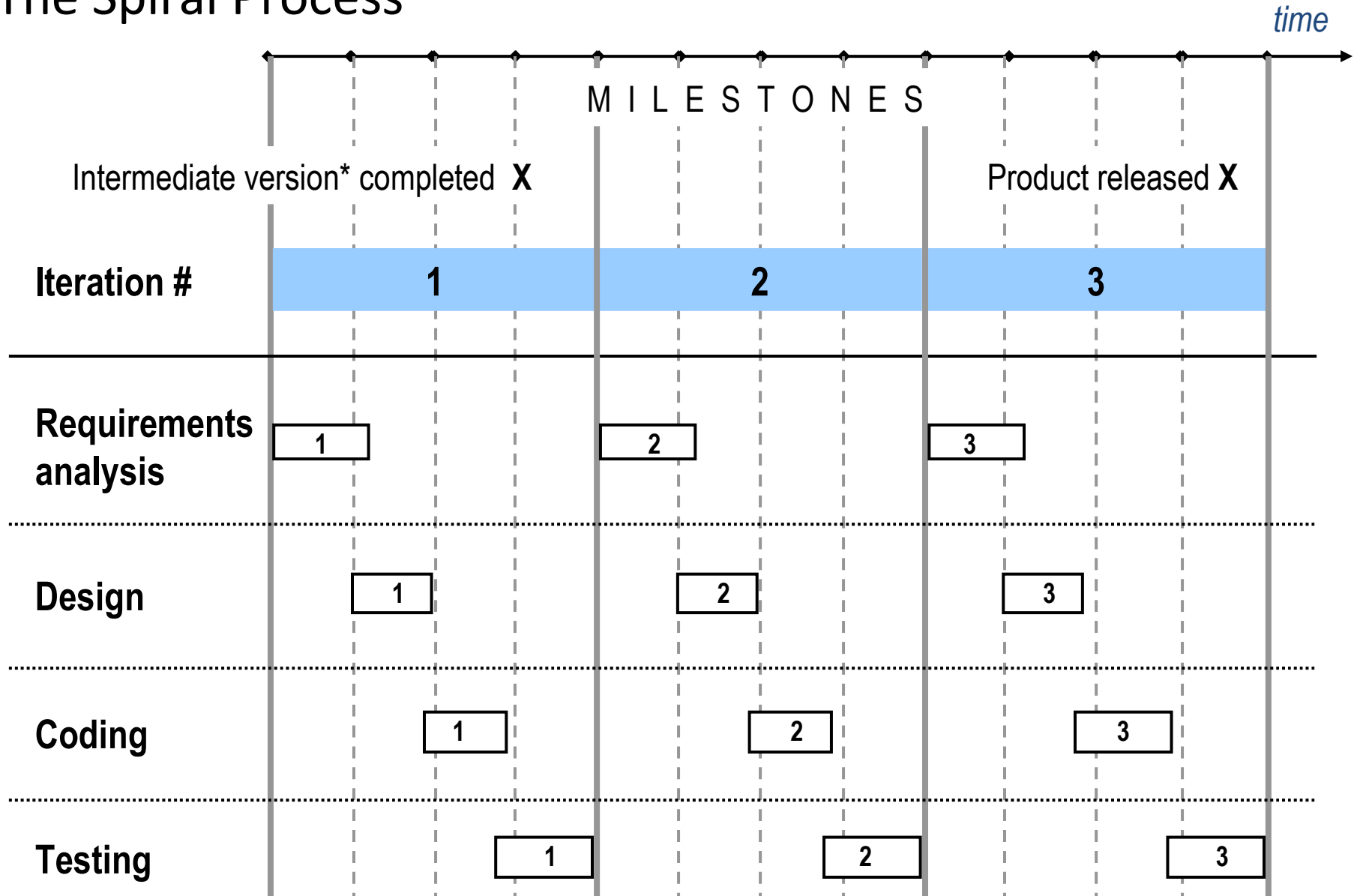
The Waterfall Software Process



Why a Pure Waterfall Process is Usually Not Practical

- ❑ *Don't know up front everything wanted and needed*
 - Usually hard to visualize every detail in advance
- ❑ To gain confidence in an estimate, we need to design and actually implement parts, especially the riskiest ones, this may probably lead to modify requirements as a result
- ❑ *We often need to execute intermediate builds*
 - Stakeholders need to gain confidence
 - Designers and developers need confirmation they're building what's needed and wanted
- ❑ *Team members can't be idle while the requirements are being completed*

The Spiral Process



*typically a prototype

Advantage of OO Design

OO systems exhibit recurring structures that promote

- Abstraction
- Modularity
- Flexibility
- Extensibility
- Elegance

Aspect of Reusability

- *Classes – in source code form*
 - Thus, we write *generic code* whenever possible
- *Assemblies of related classes*
 - A *toolkit* is a library of reusable classes designed to provide useful, general-purpose functionality.
 - E.g., C++ standard library, Boost
 - An *application framework* is a specific set of classes that cooperate closely with each other and together embody a reusable design for a category of problems.
 - E.g., Java APIs (Applet, Thread, etc), gtkmm
- Design pattern

Making a Class Re-usable

- ❑ Define a useful abstraction
 - attain broad applicability
- ❑ Reduce dependencies on other classes

...

Reducing Dependency Among Classes

Replace ...



with ...



Aspect of Flexibility

- Making small variation to existing functionality
- Adding new kinds of functionality
- Changing functionality

Some Techniques to Achieve Flexibility

Flexibility Aspect: ability to ...	Some techniques
... create objects in variable configurations determined at runtime	“Creational” design patterns
... create variable trees of objects or other structures at runtime	“Structural” design patterns
... change, recombine, or otherwise capture the mutual behavior of a set of objects	“Behavioral” design patterns
... create and store a possibly complex object of a class.	Component
... configure objects of predefined complex classes – or sets of classes – so as to interact in many ways	Component

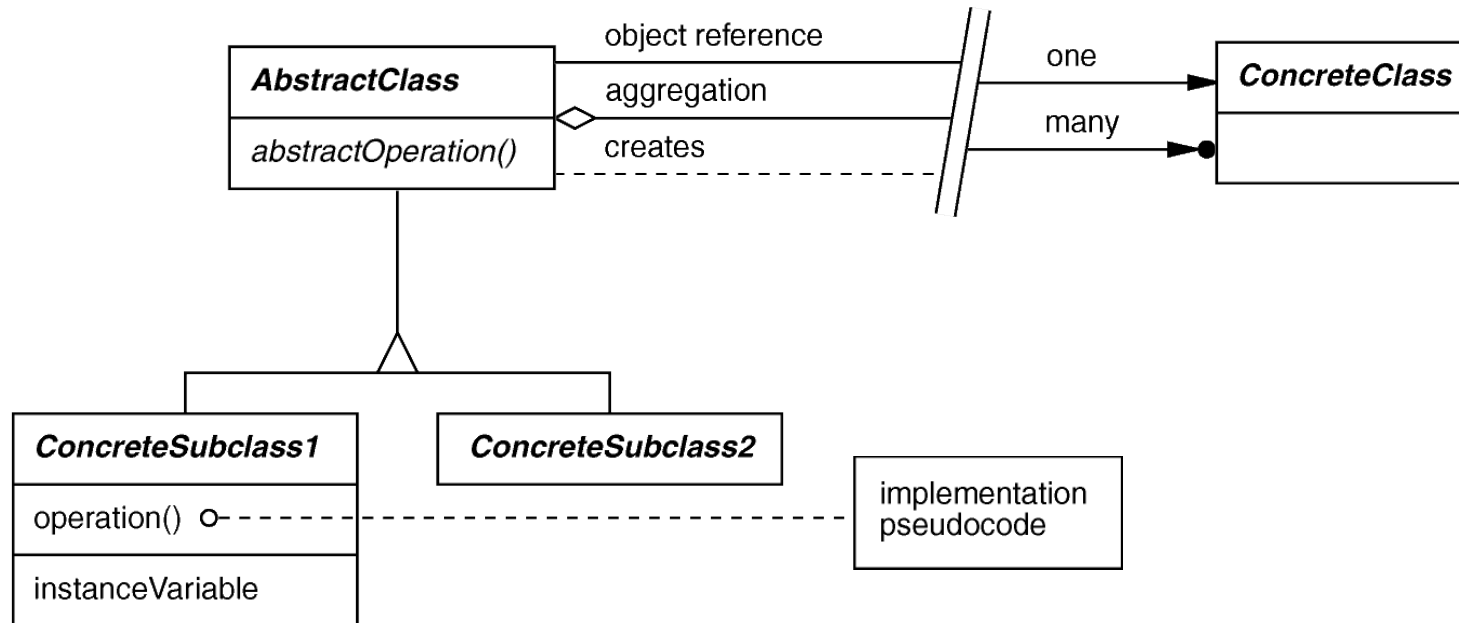
Roadmap

- We will focus on flexibility and reusability
 - It is important to remember that real systems also need to consider efficiency and robustness
- We will start with design patterns, and then look into the design of some OO libraries/toolkit/framework
- We will learn by examples:
 - *Example* is not another way to teach, it is the *only* way to teach. -- *Albert Einstein*

What is a Design Pattern

- Abstracts a recurring design structure
- Comprises class and/or object
 - dependencies
 - structures
 - interactions
 - conventions
- Distills design experience
- Names & specifies the design structure explicitly
- Language- & implementation-independent
 - A “micro-architecture”

UML/OMT Notation

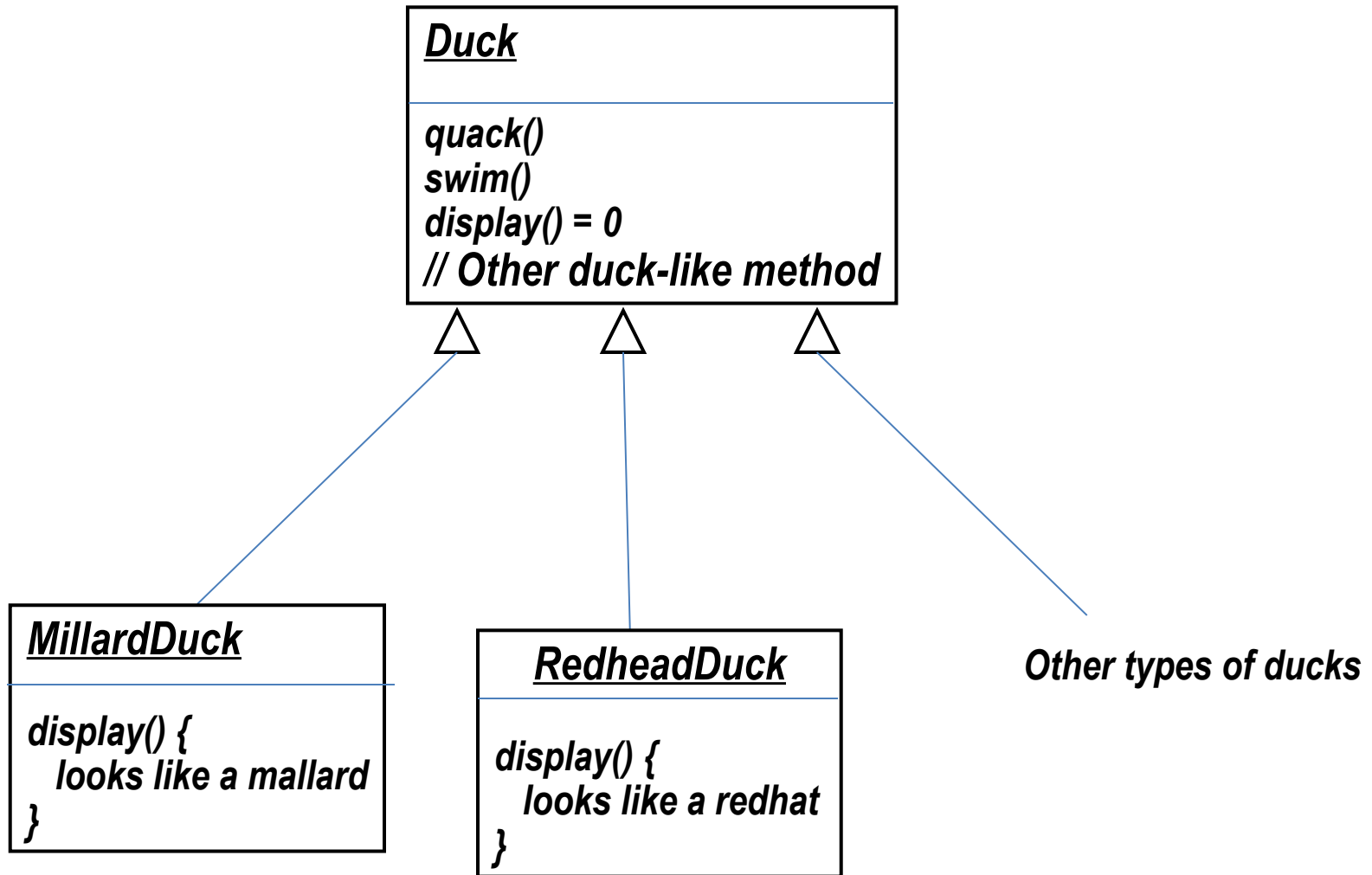


Example: Duck Game

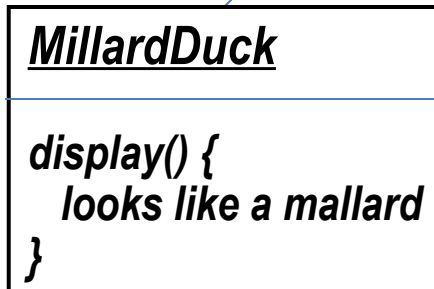
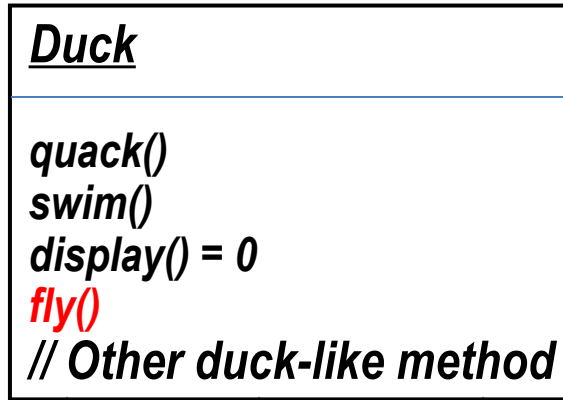
- A startup produces a duck-pond simulation game
- The game shows a large variety of duck species swimming and making quacking sounds



Initial Design



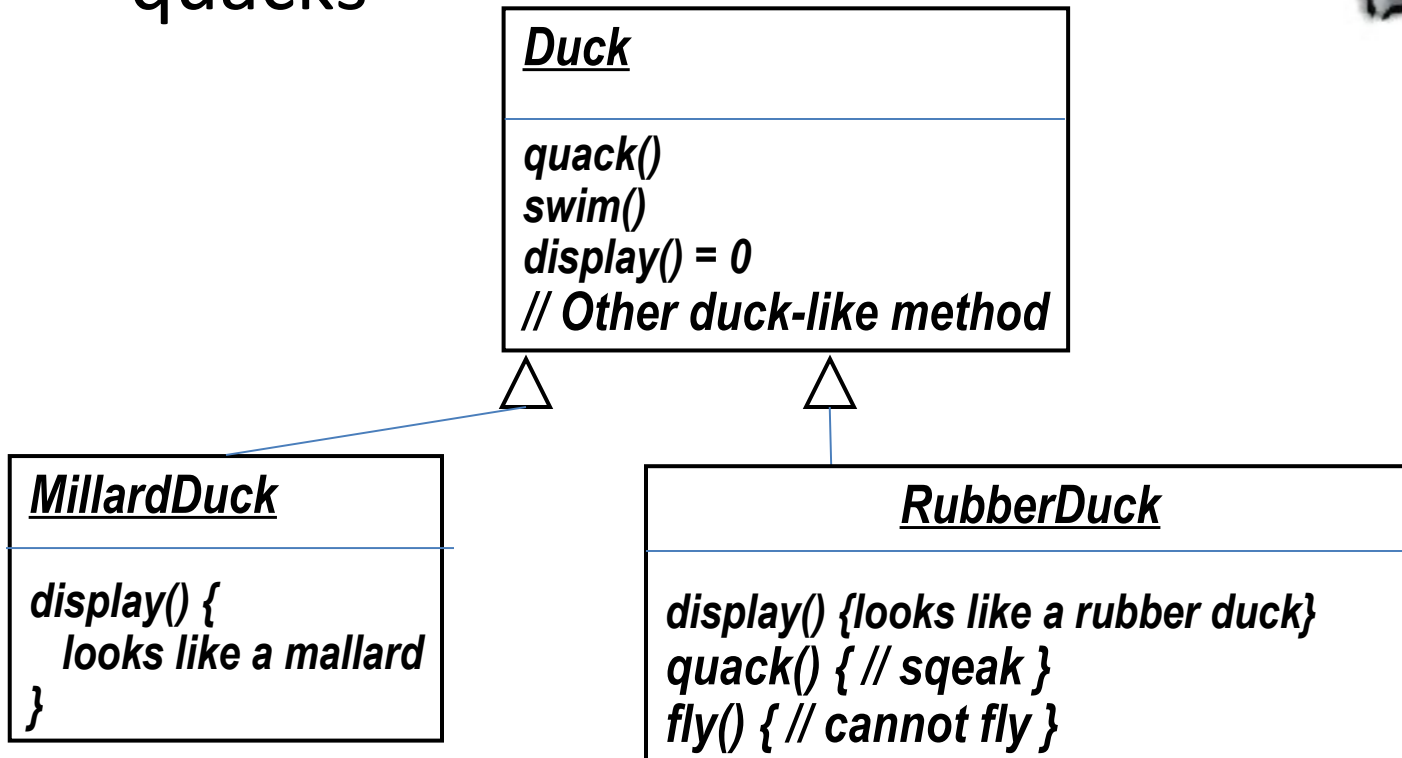
Design Change: add fly()



Other types of ducks

Problem

- Generalization may lead to unintended behaviors:
a rubber duck is flying and quacks

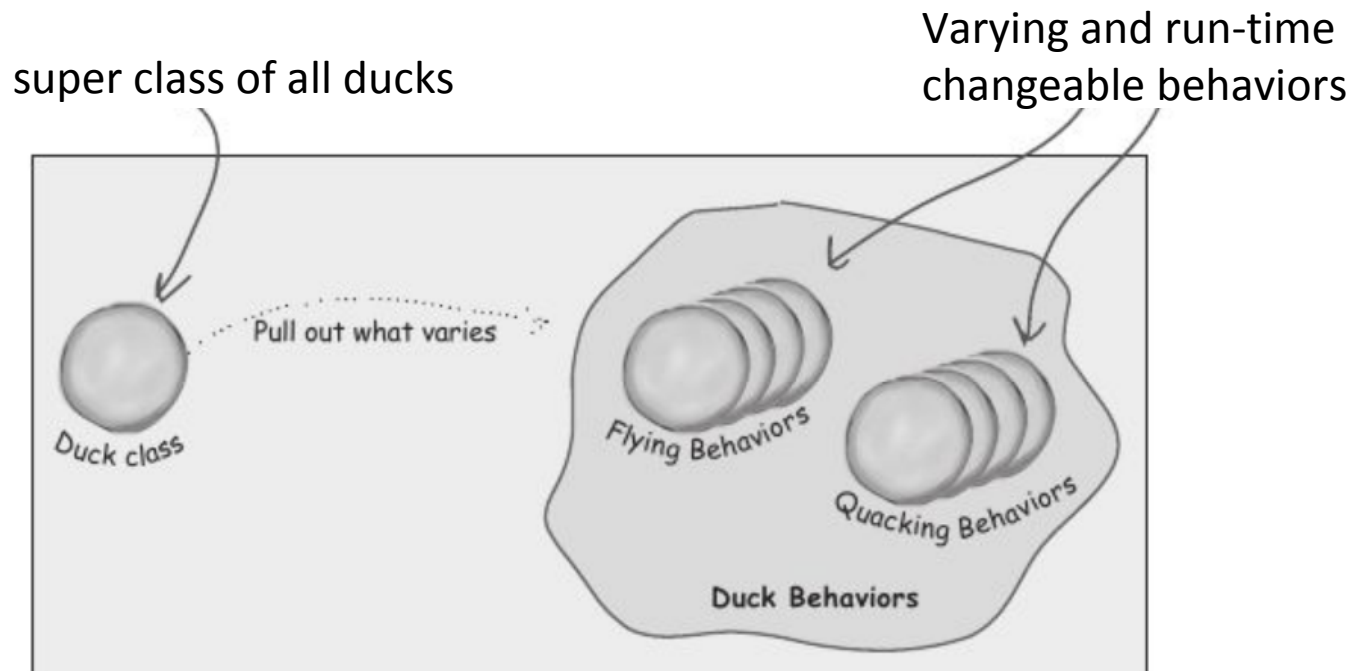


Anticipating Changes

- Identify the aspects of your application that may vary
 - What may change?
- Anticipate that
 - new types of ducks may appear and
 - behaviors (quack, swimming, and flying) may change, even change at run time (swirl flying, circular flying, ...)

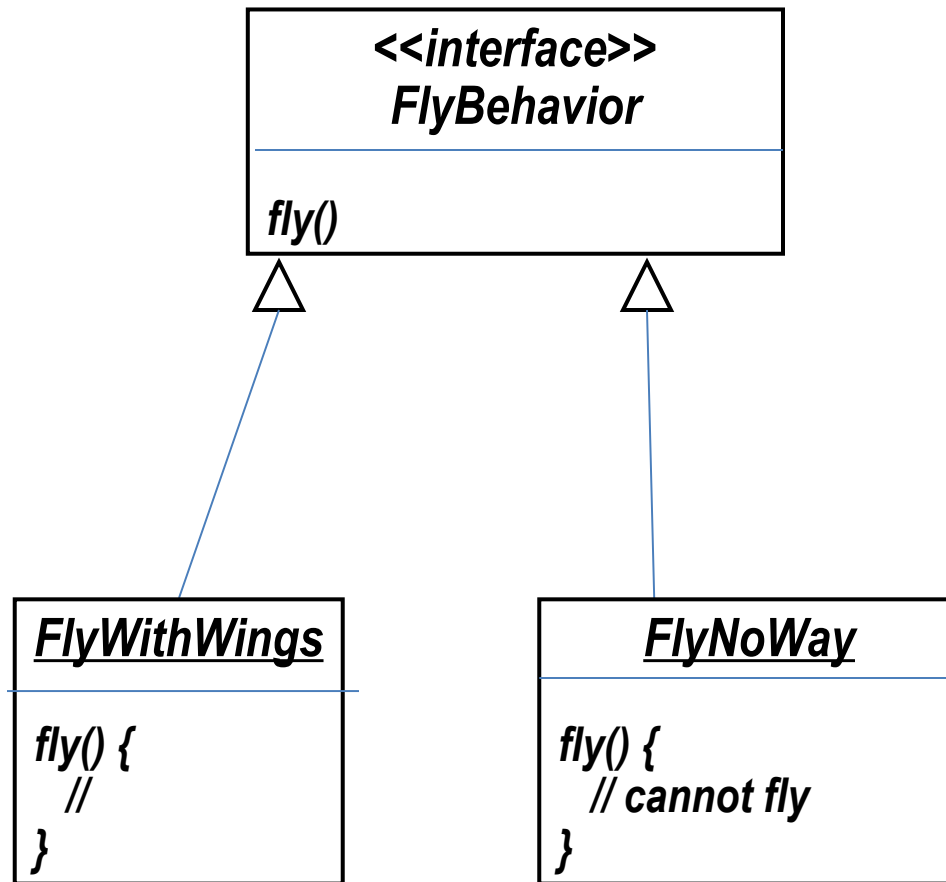
Handling Varying Behaviors

- Solution: take what varies and “encapsulate” it
 - Since fly() and quack() vary across ducks, separate these behaviors from the Duck class and create a new set of classes to represent each behavior



Design

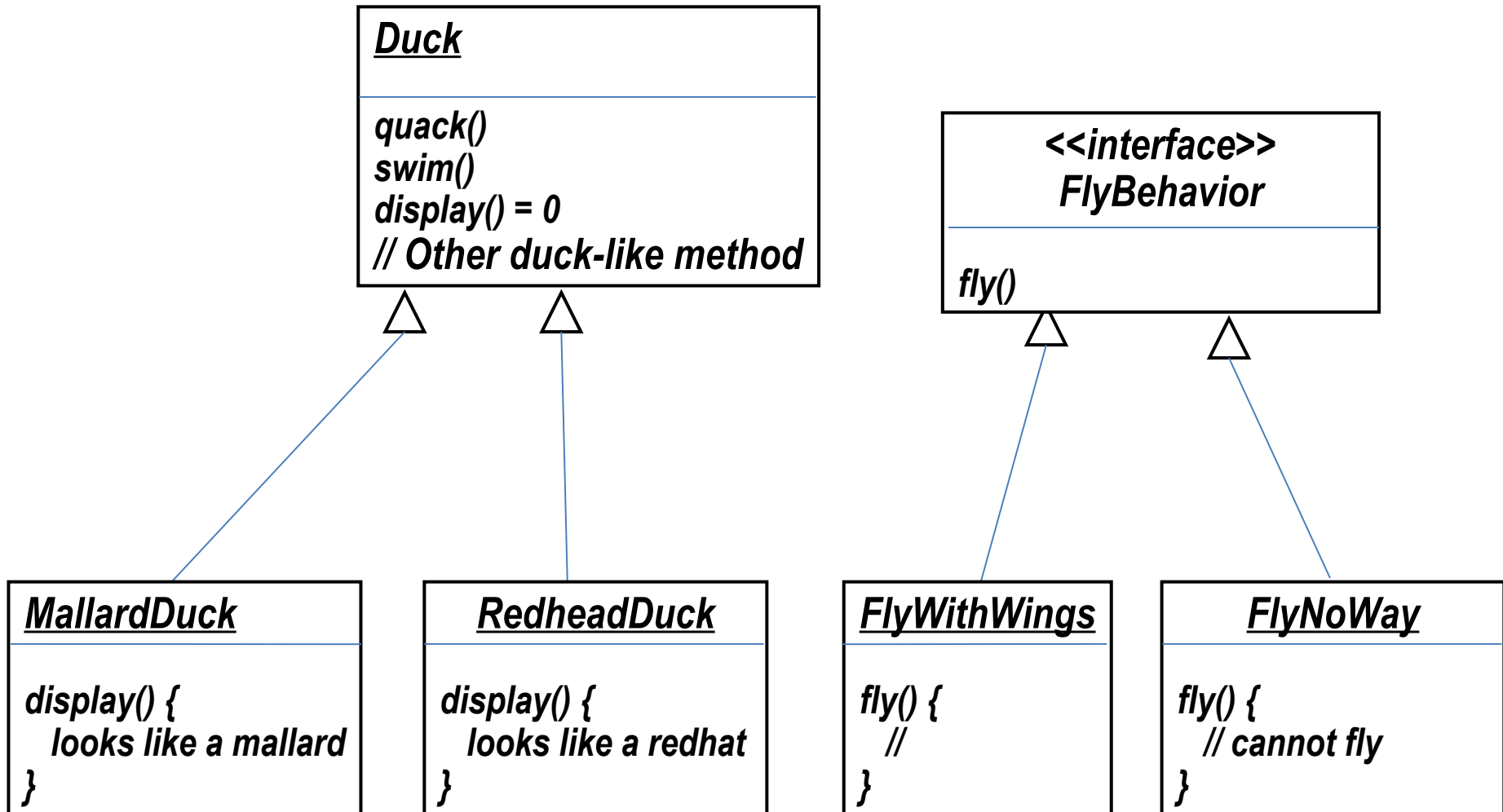
- Each duck object has a fly behavior



Programming to implementation vs. interface/supertype

- Programming to an implementation
 - `Dog d = new Dog();`
 - `d.bark();`
- Programming to an interface/supertype
 - `Animal a = new Dog();`
 - `a.makeSound();`

Implementation



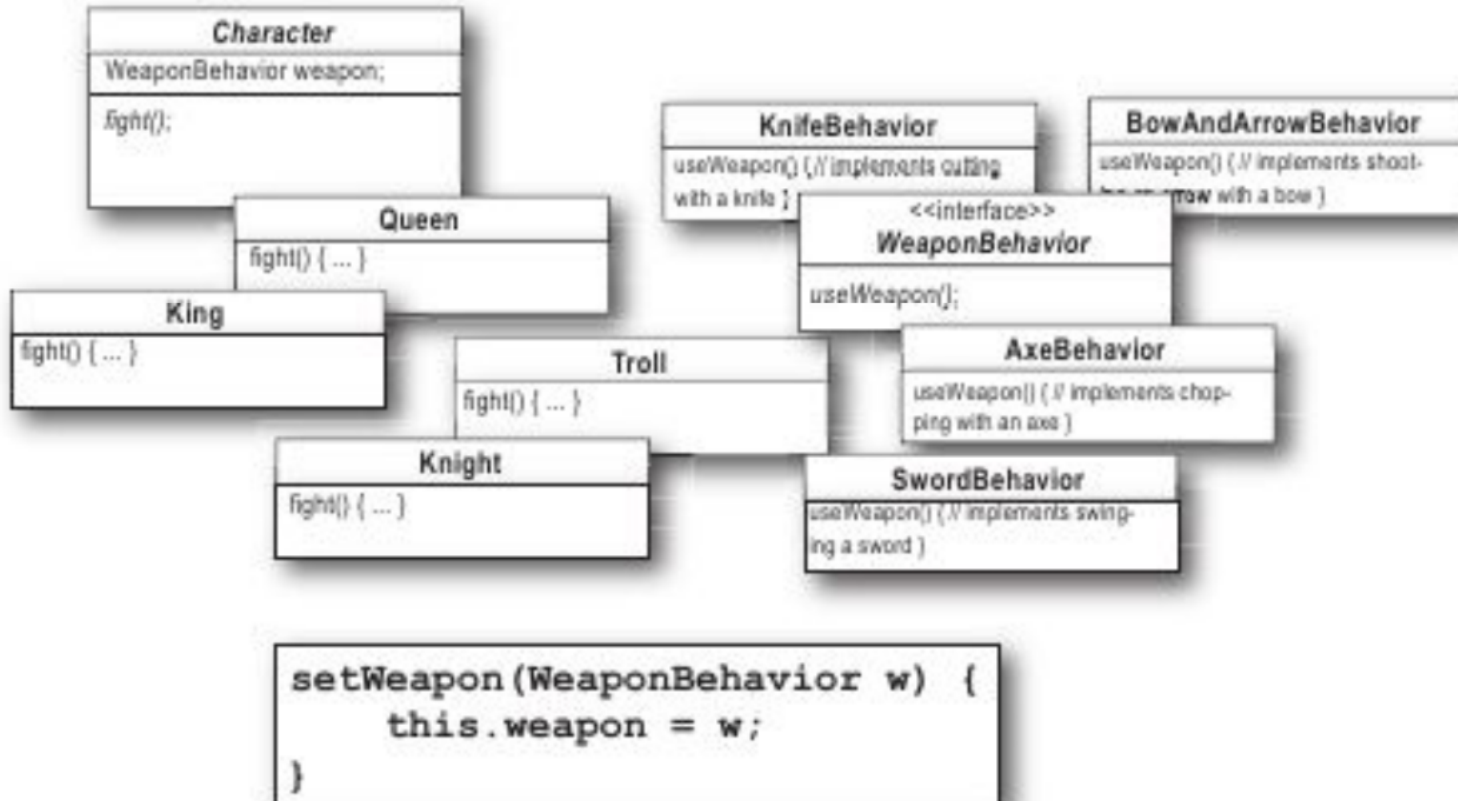
Exercise

- Add rocket-powered flying?

The Strategy Pattern

- Defines a set of algorithms, encapsulates each one, and makes them interchangeable by defining a common interface

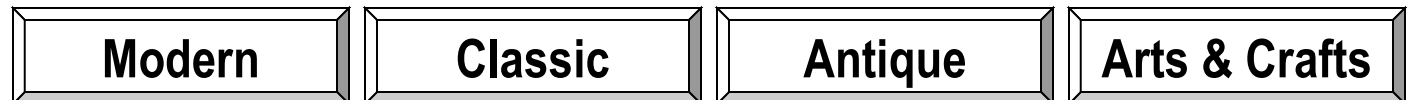
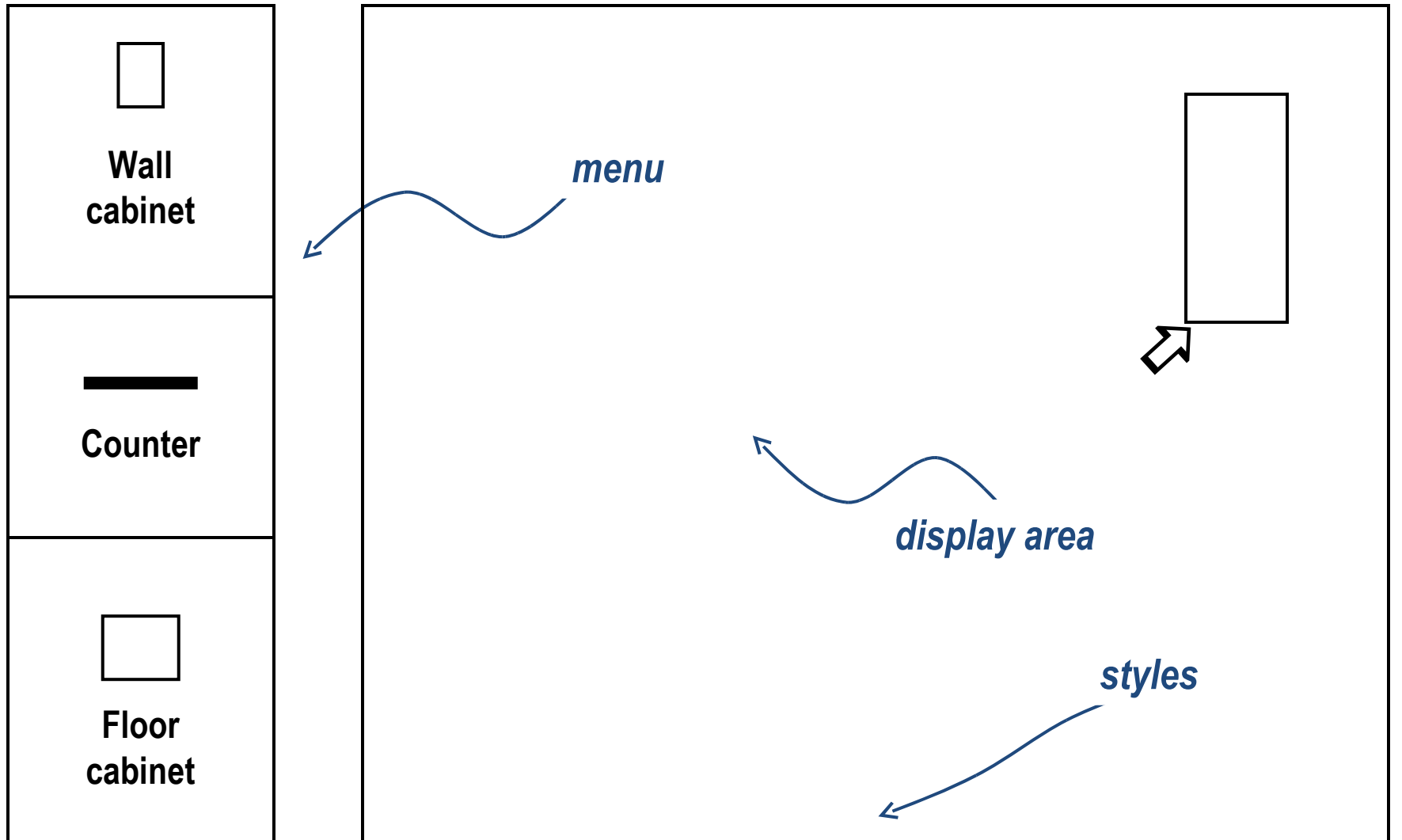
Exercise



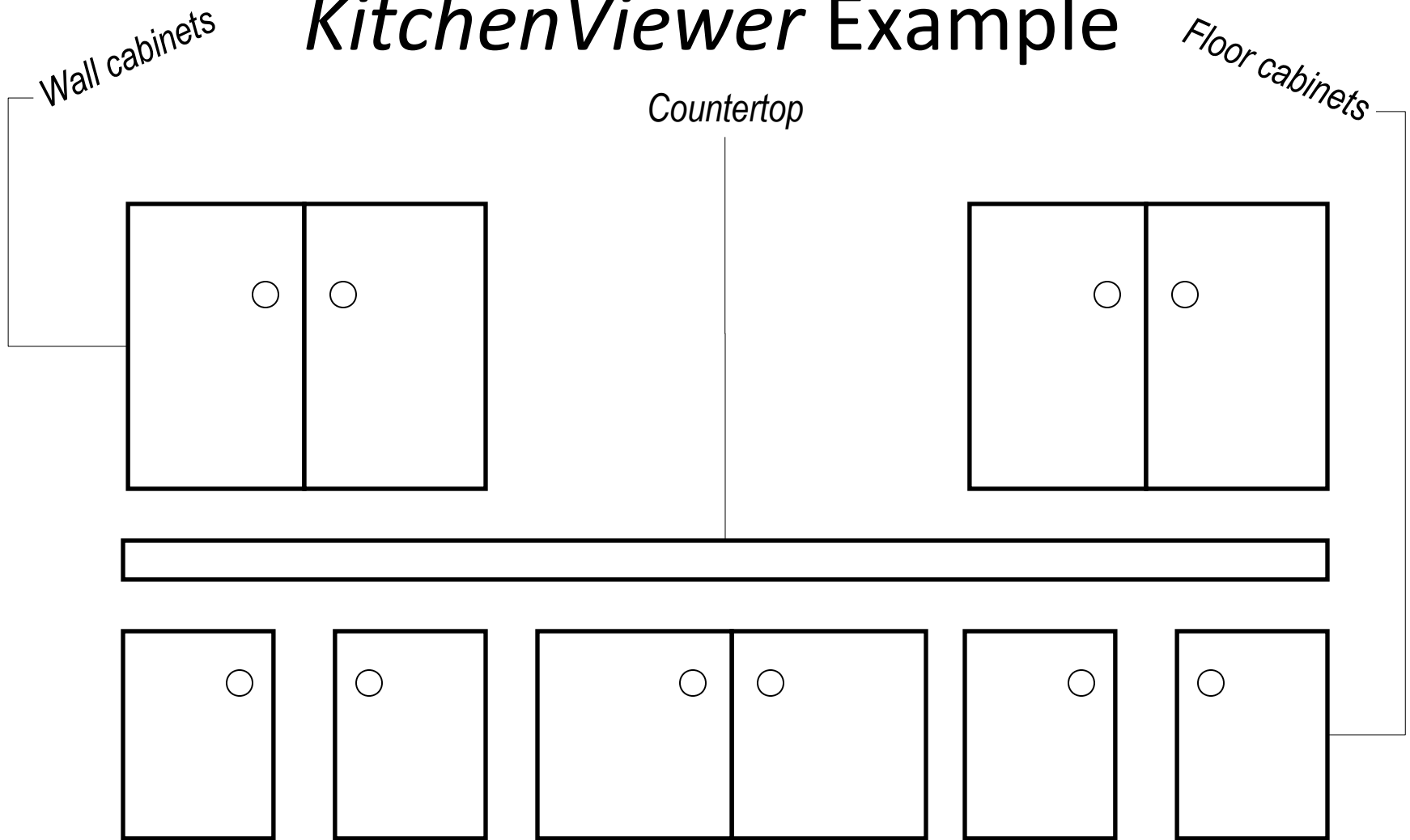
Summary: Design Principles

- Identify the aspects of your application that vary and separate them from what stay the same
- Program to an interface not implementation
- Favor composition over inheritance

Example: KitchenViewer Interface



Kitchen Viewer Example



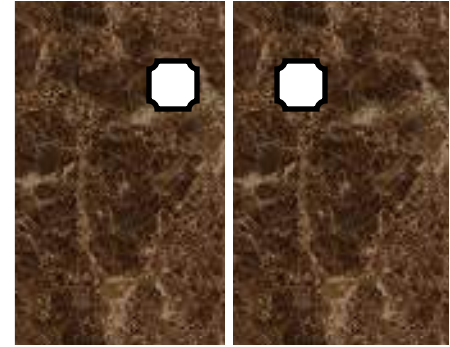
Modern

Classic

Antique

Arts & Crafts

Selecting *Antique* Style



Modern

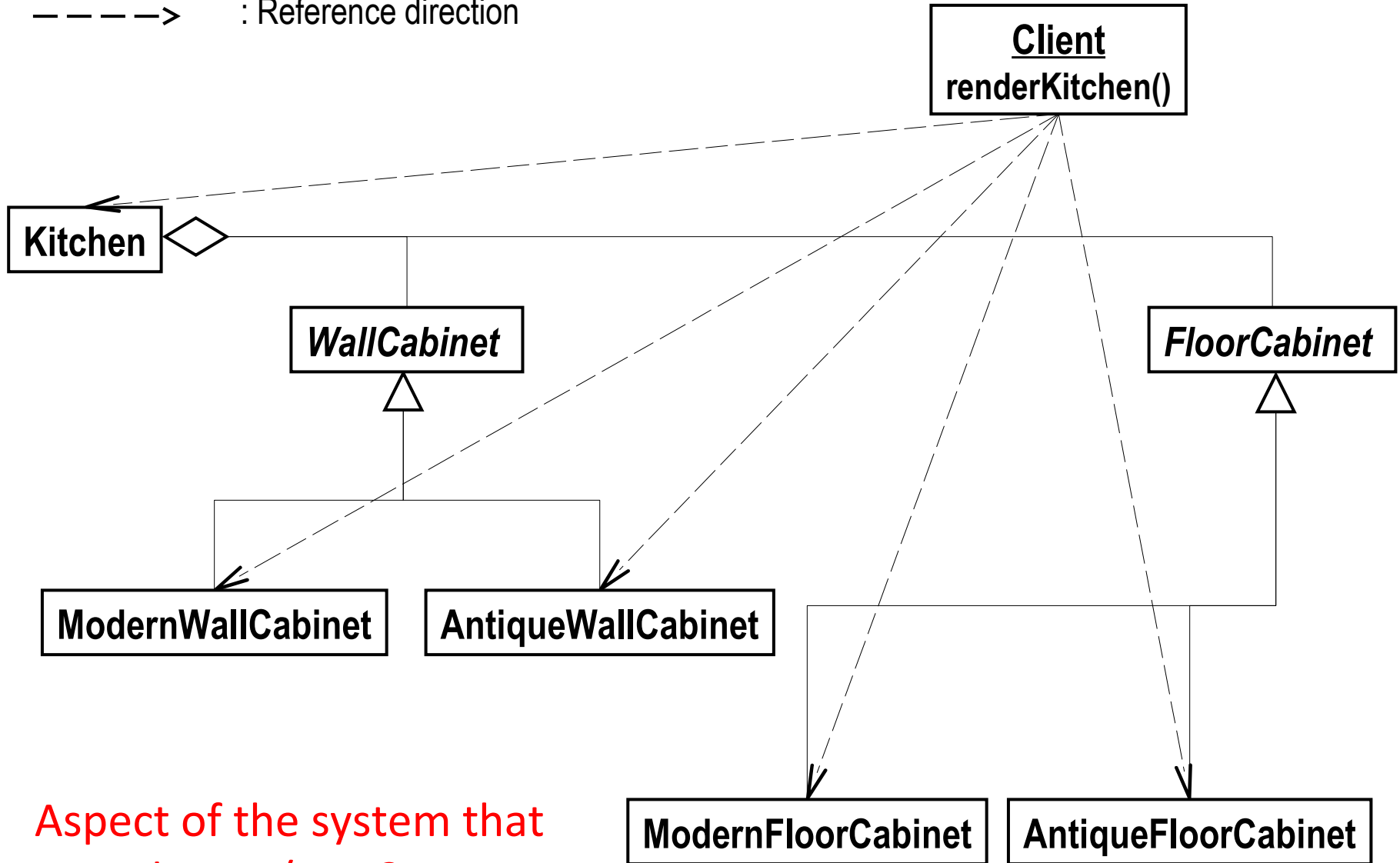
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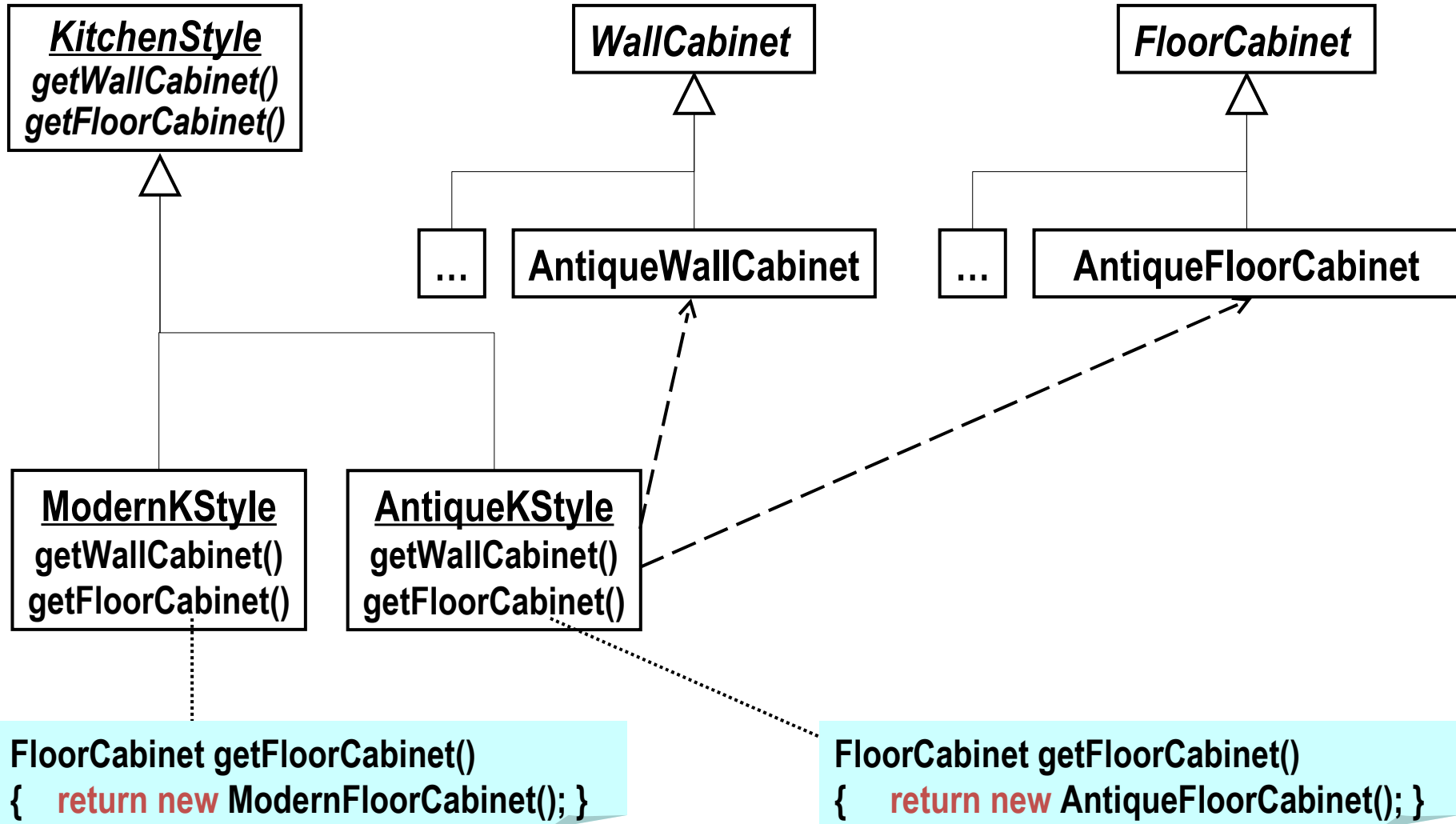
KitchenViewer Using Standard Inheritance

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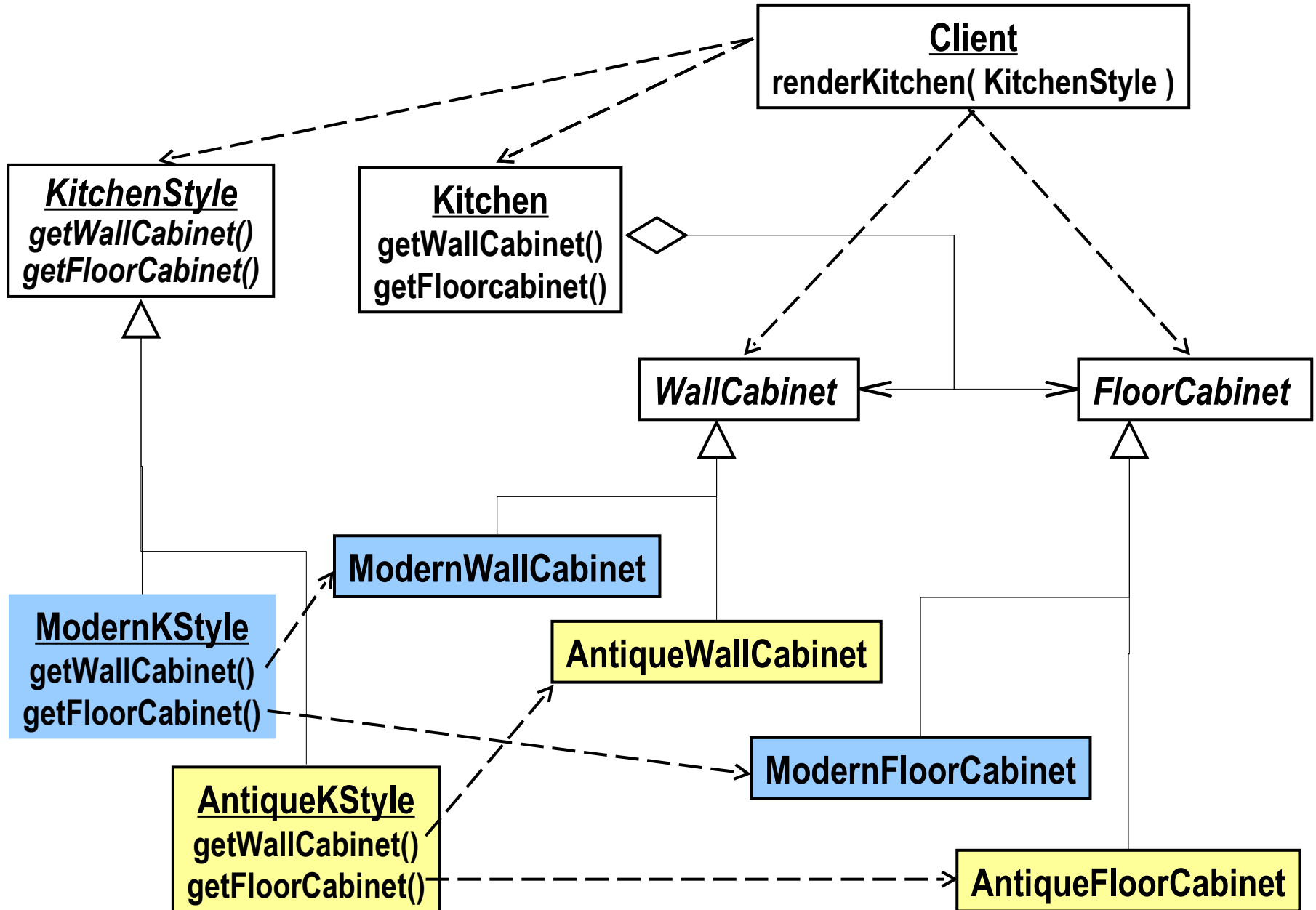


Aspect of the system that may change/vary?

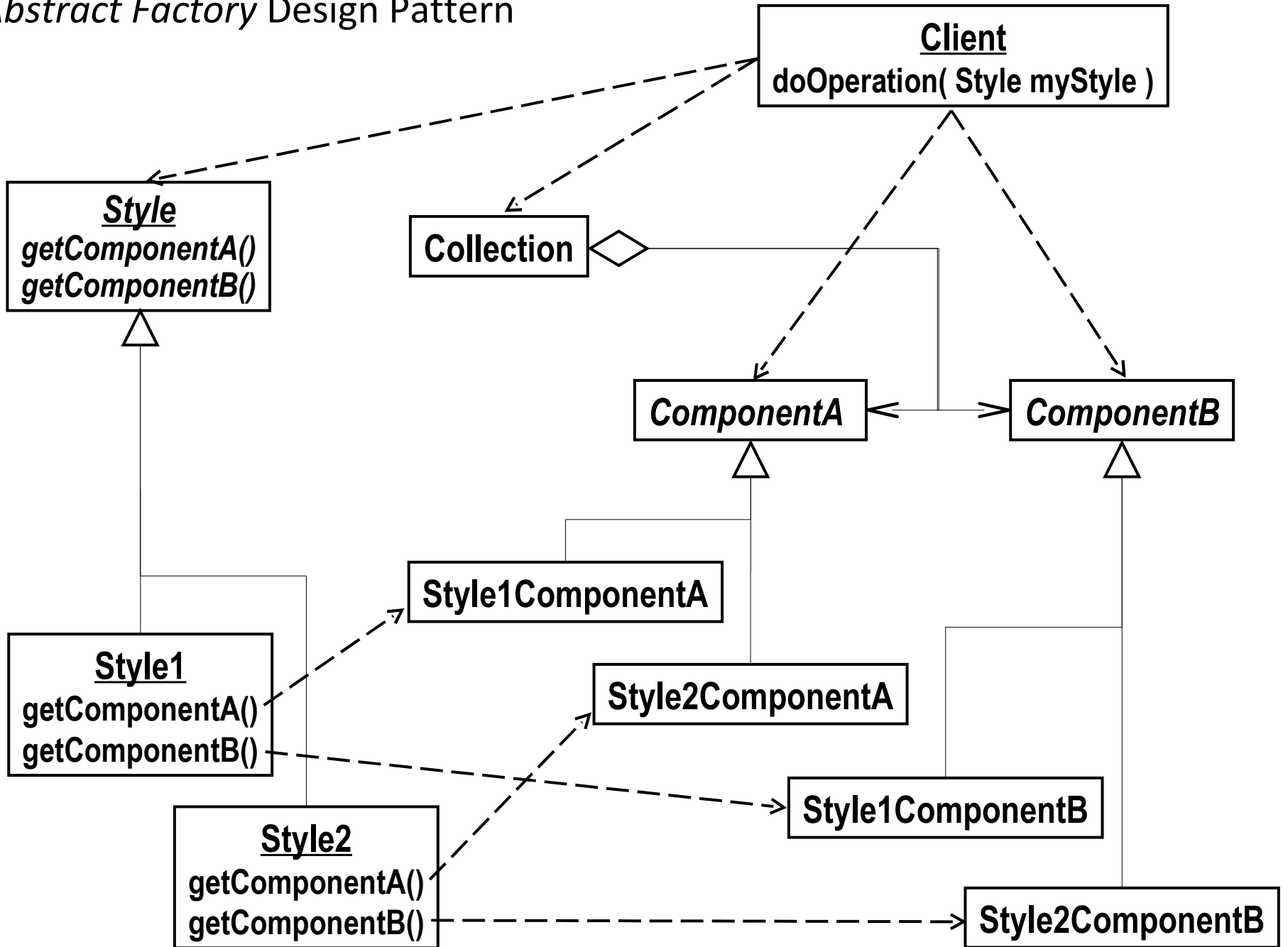
The Abstract Factory Idea



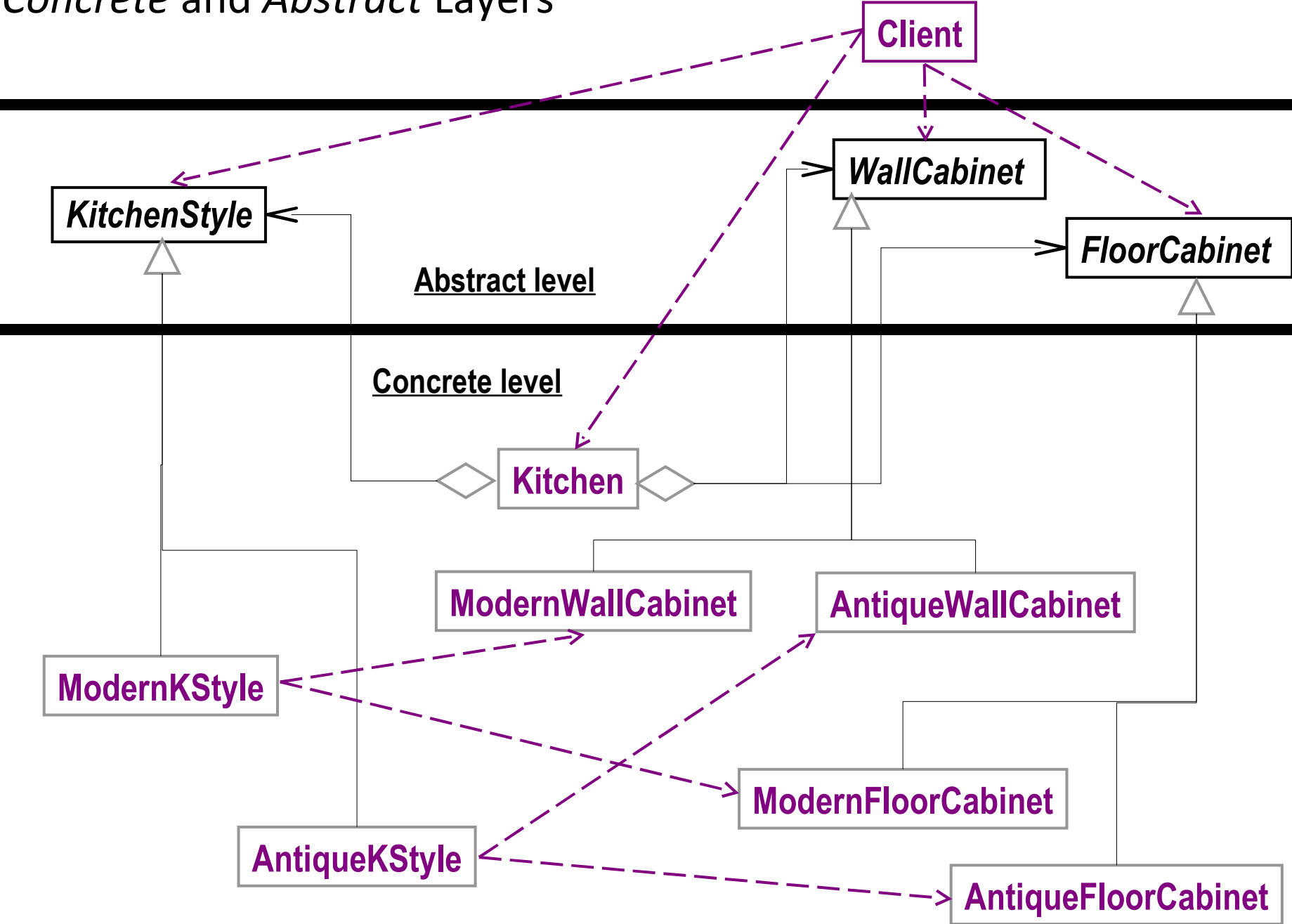
Abstract Factory Design Pattern Applied to *KitchenViewer*



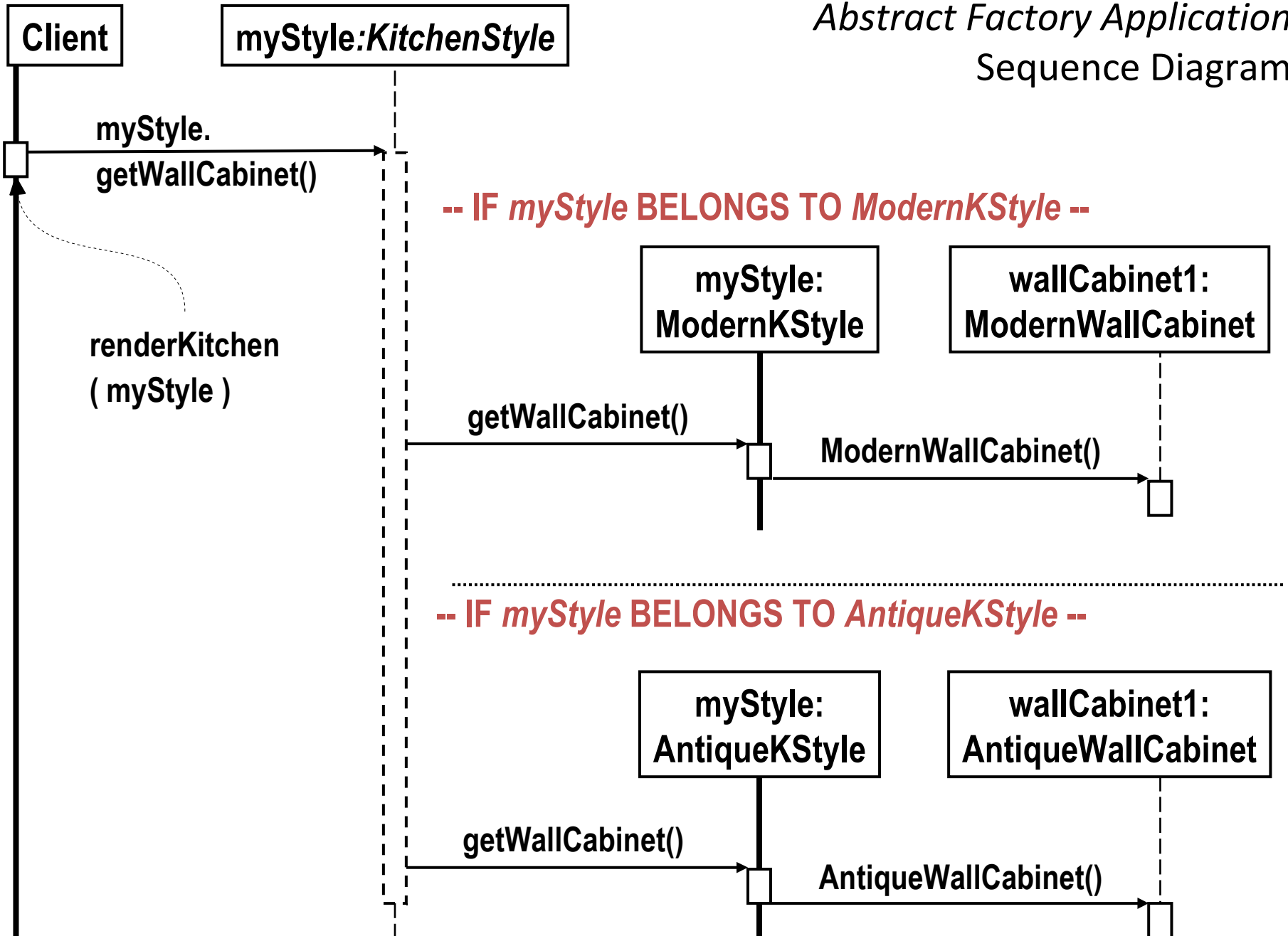
Abstract Factory Design Pattern



Concrete and Abstract Layers



Abstract Factory Application
Sequence Diagram



Potential use of this Design Pattern?

