
Abstract Factory Pattern

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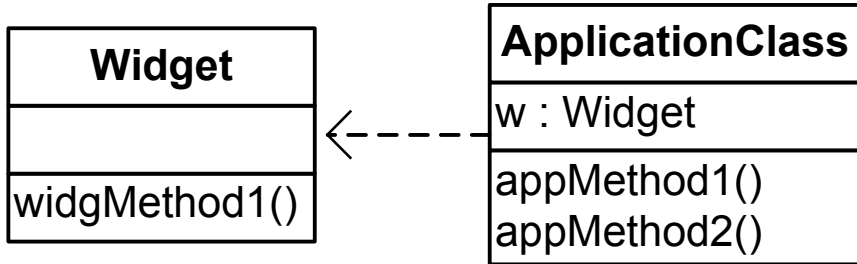
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Motivation



```
class ApplicationClass {
    widget w;

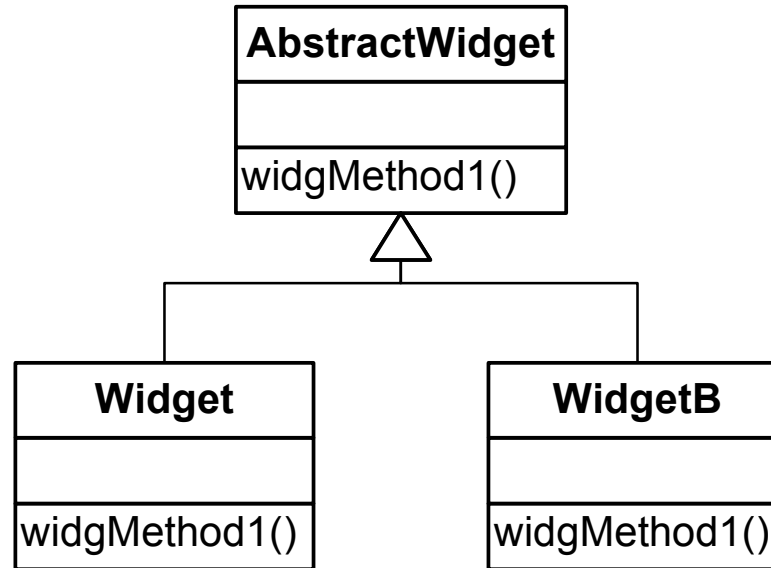
    public appMethod1() {
        widget w = new widget();
        w.widgMethod1();
    }
    ...
}
```

- ◆ We can modify the internal widget code without modifying the ApplicationClass
- ◆ What happens when we discover a **new widget** and would like to use it in the **ApplicationClass**?

Problems with Changes

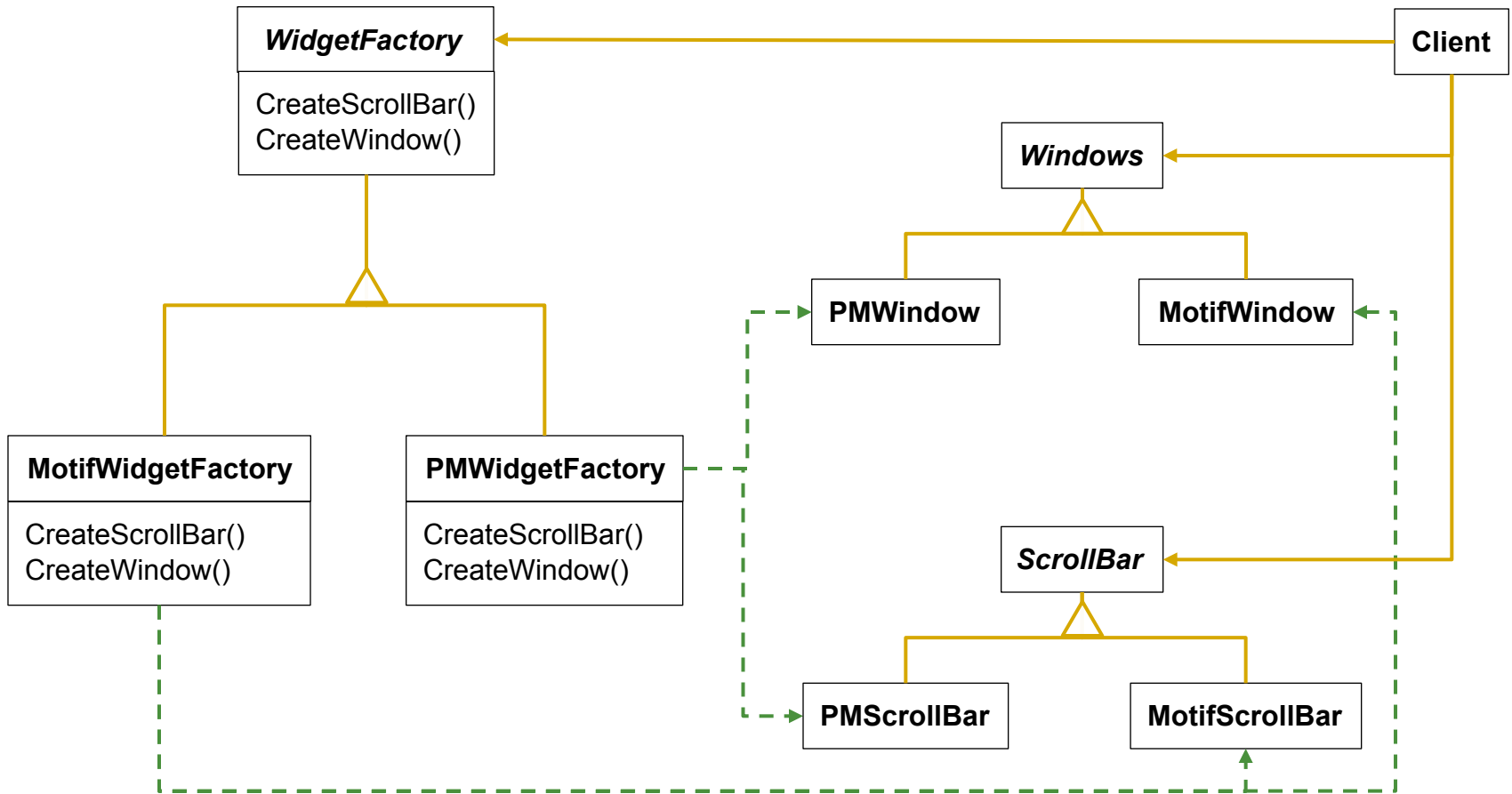
- ◆ Multiple coupling between widget and ApplicationClass
- ◆ ApplicationClass knows the interface of widget
- ◆ ApplicationClass **explicitly uses** the widget type
 - ◆ Hard to change because widget is a concrete class
- ◆ ApplicationClass **explicitly creates** new Widgets in many places
 - ◆ If we want to use the new widget instead of the initial one, changes are spread all over the code

Apply “Program to an Interface”



- ◆ ApplicationClass depends now on an (abstract) interface
 - ◆ Helps to solve the problem of explicit use
- ◆ But we still have to hard code which widget to create!
 - ◆ Problem of explicit creation not solved

WidgetFactory



Abstract Factory *aka* Kit

◆ Intent

- ◆ Provide an interface for creating families of related or dependent objects without specifying their concrete classes

◆ Motivation

- ◆ User interface toolkit supports multiple look-and-feel standards (Motif, Presentation Manager)
- ◆ Different appearances and behaviors for UI widgets
- ◆ Apps should not hard-code its widgets

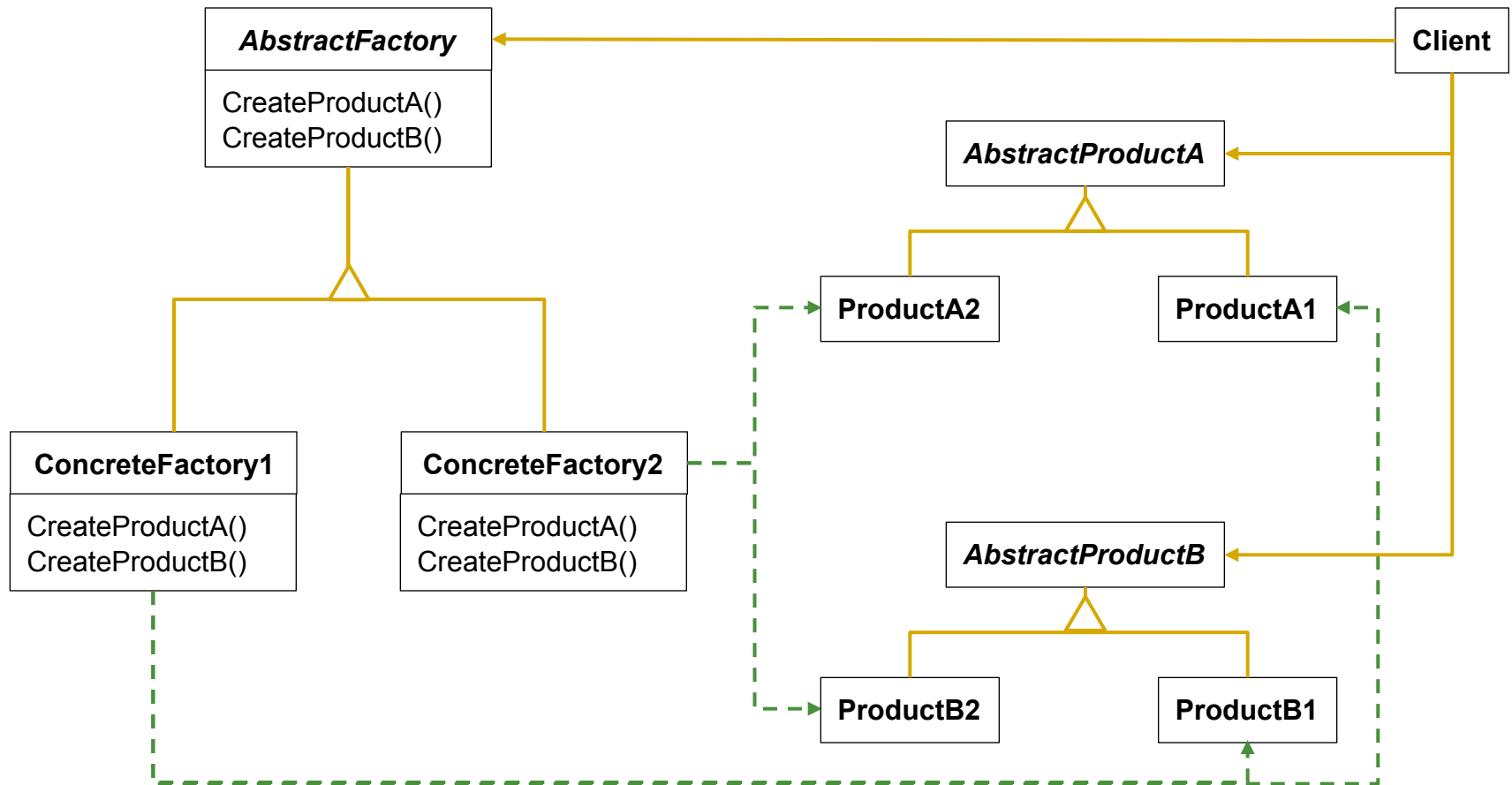
Solution

- ◆ Place *Abstract Factory* Class between application layer and Concrete Factory Class(es)
 - ◆ Create an *Abstract WidgetFactory* class from a related set of Abstract Interfaces (Abstract Products)
 - ◆ e.g., Abstract Interfaces for creating each basic kind of widget
 - ◆ Create *Concrete WidgetFactory* for specific implementations
 - ◆ e.g., classes implement specific look-and-feel, and allow for different look-and-feel

Applicability

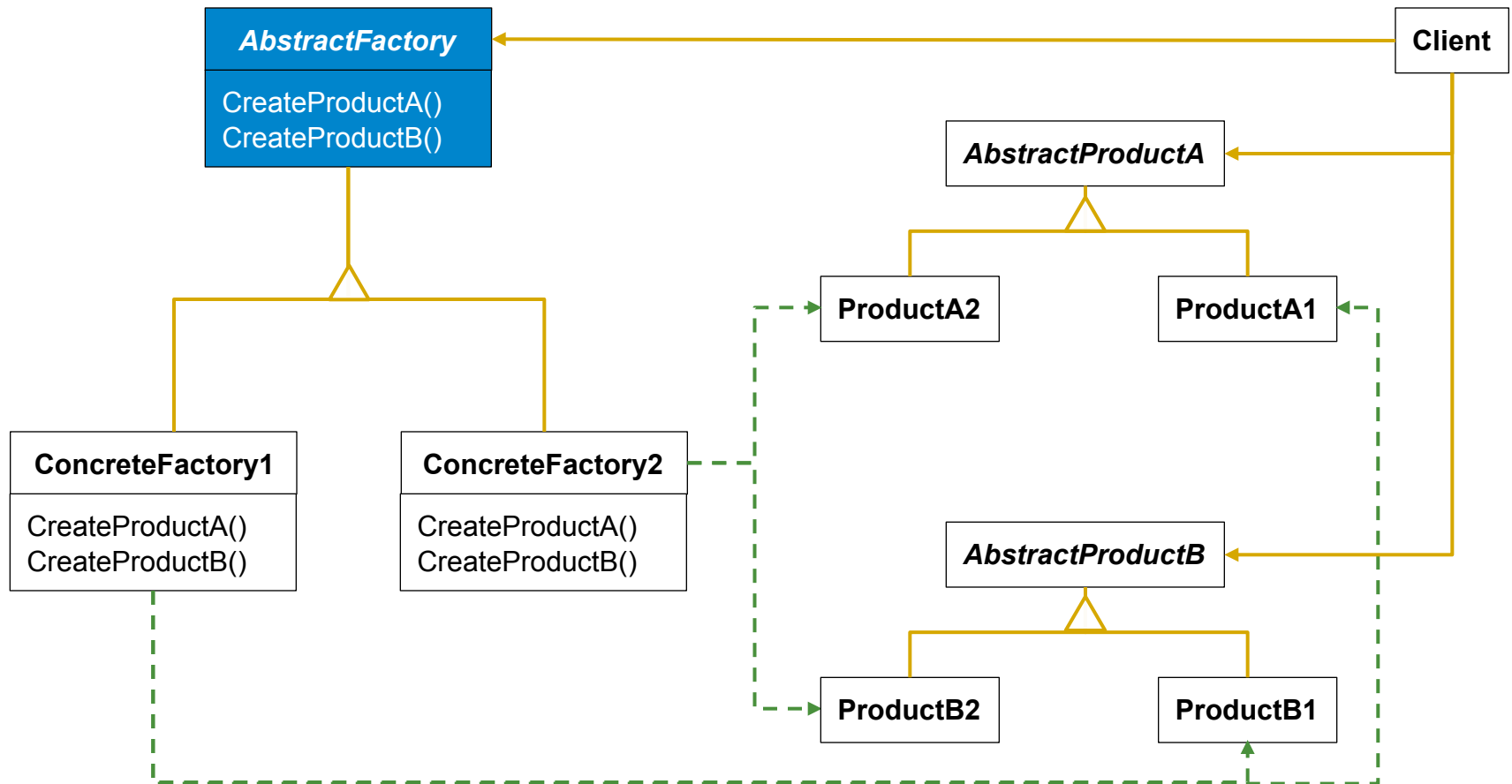
- ◆ Use the Abstract Factory pattern when
 - ◆ A system should be independent of how its products are created, composed, and represented
 - ◆ A system should be configured with one of multiple families of products
 - ◆ A family of related product objects is designed to be used together, and you need to enforce this constraint
 - ◆ You want to provide a class library of products, and **you want to reveal just their interfaces, not their implementations**

Structure



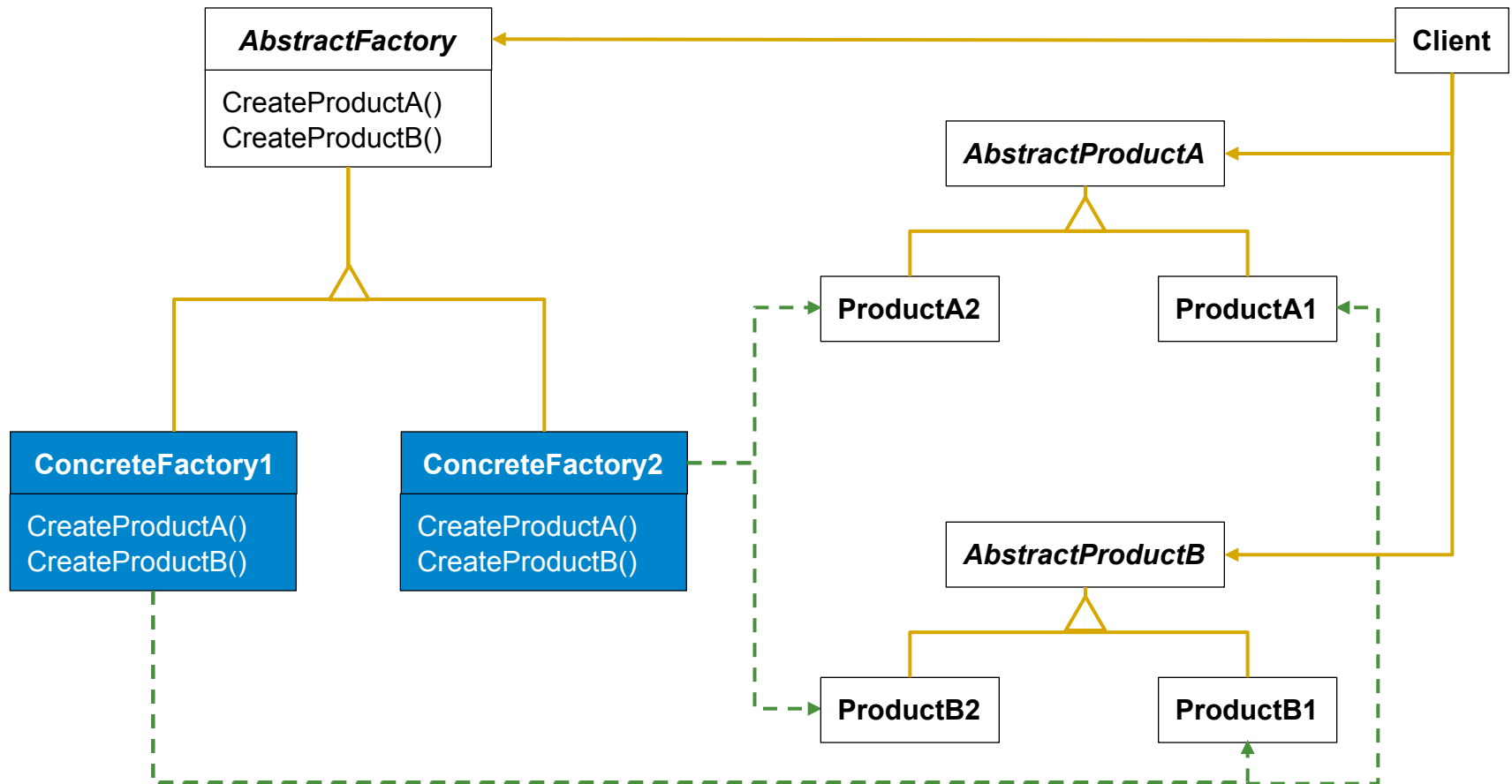
AbstractFactory

- ◆ Declares interface for operations that create abstract product objects



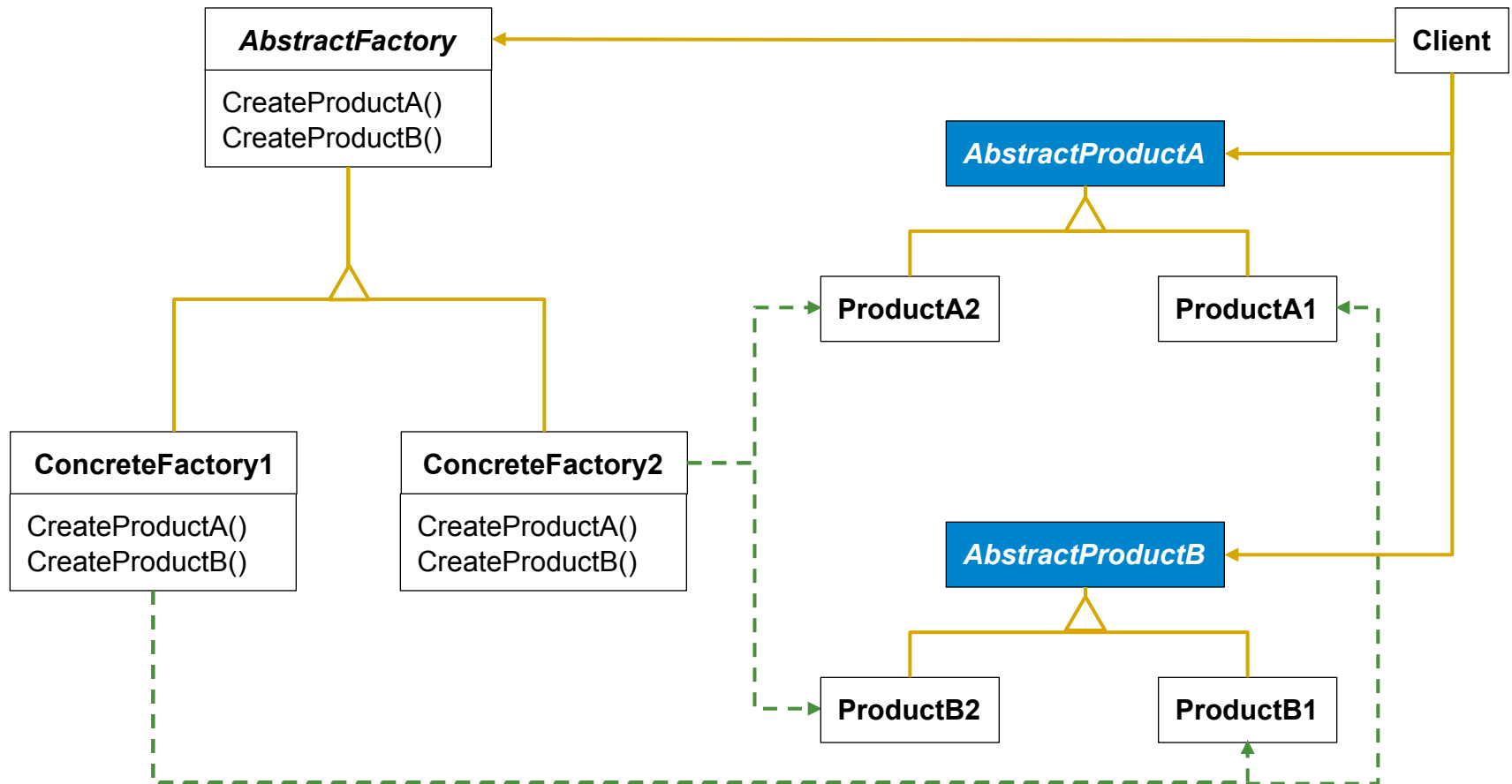
ConcreteFactory

- ◆ Implements operations to create concrete product object



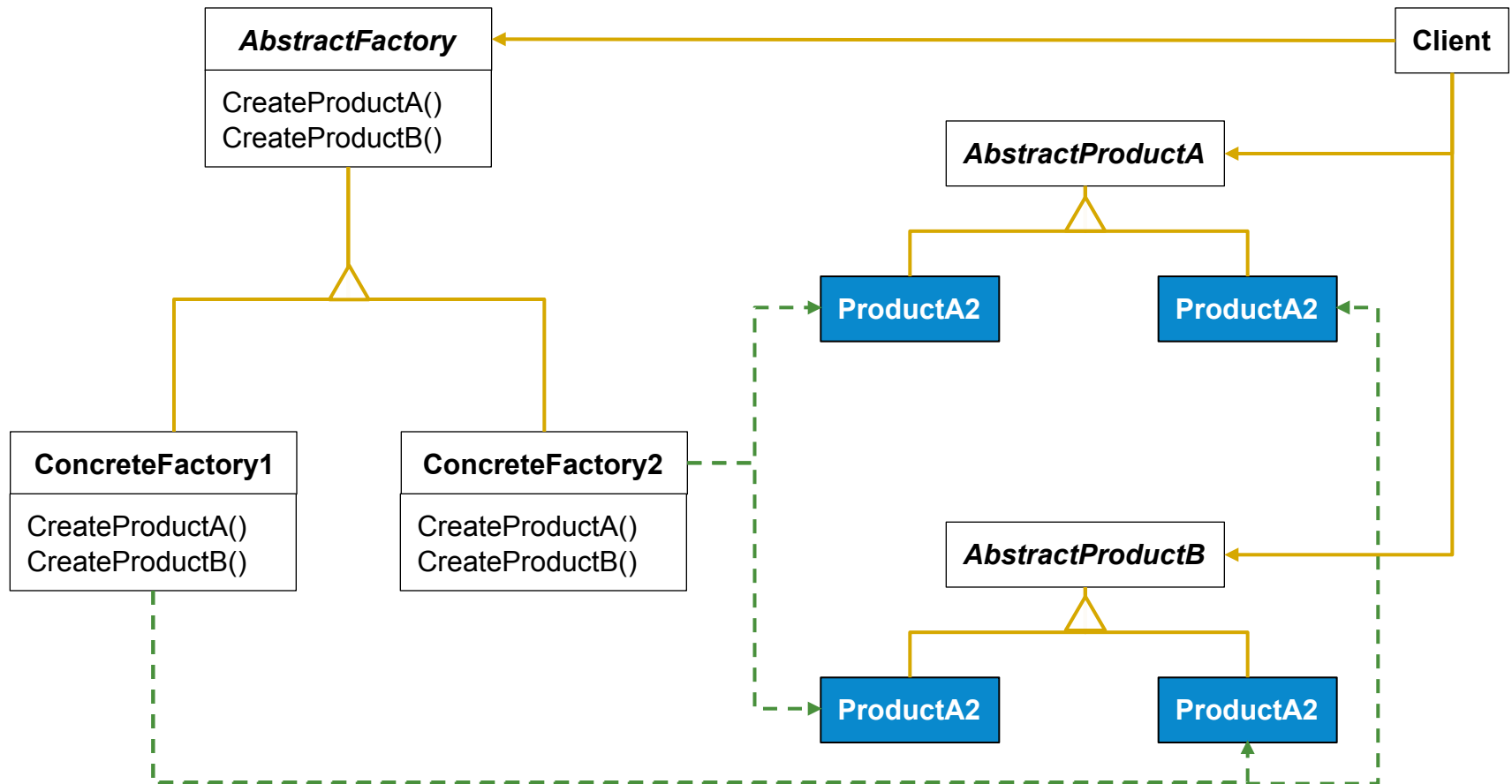
AbstractProduct

- ◆ Declares an interface for a type of product object



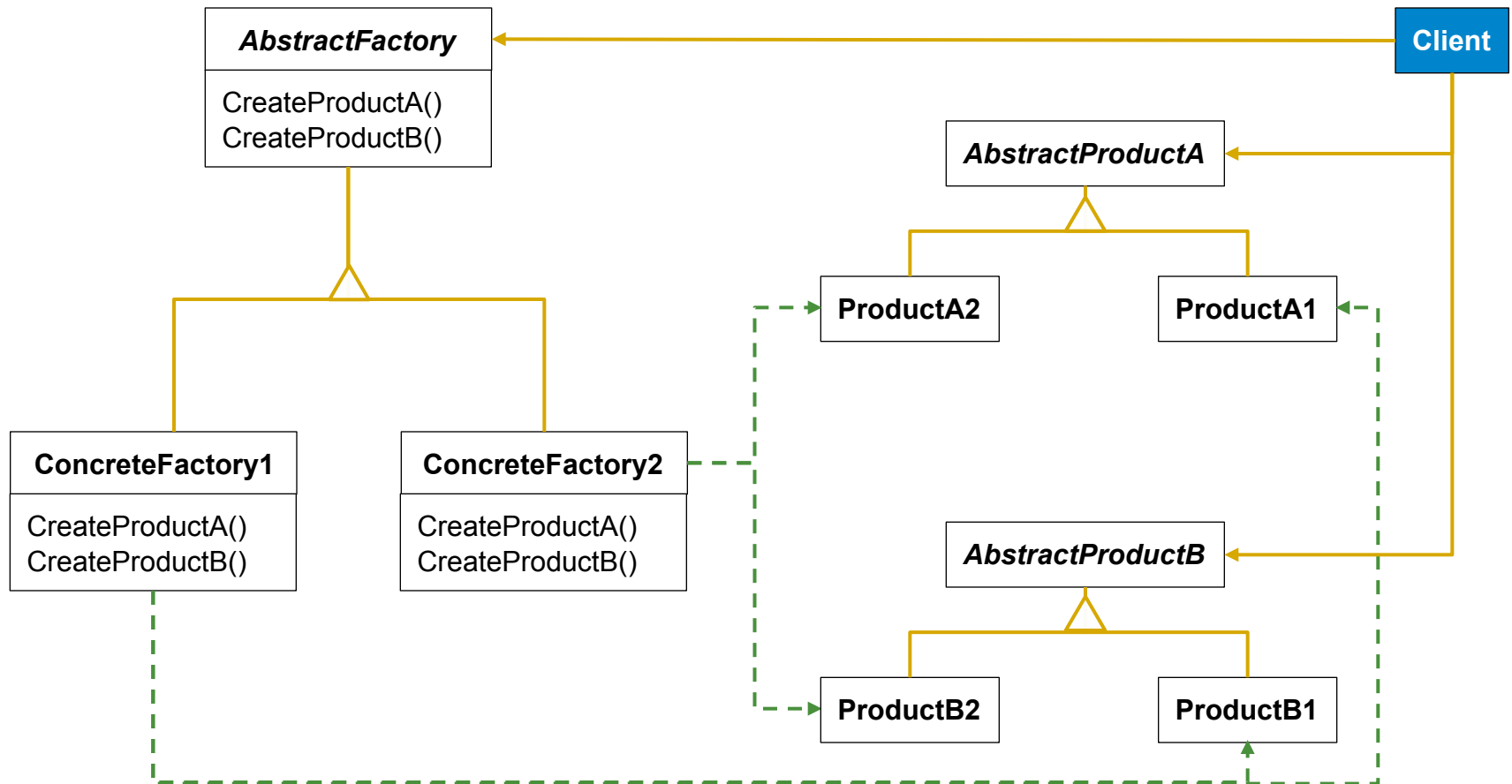
ConcreteProduct

- ◆ Defines a product object to be created by concrete factory
- ◆ Implements the abstract product interface



Client

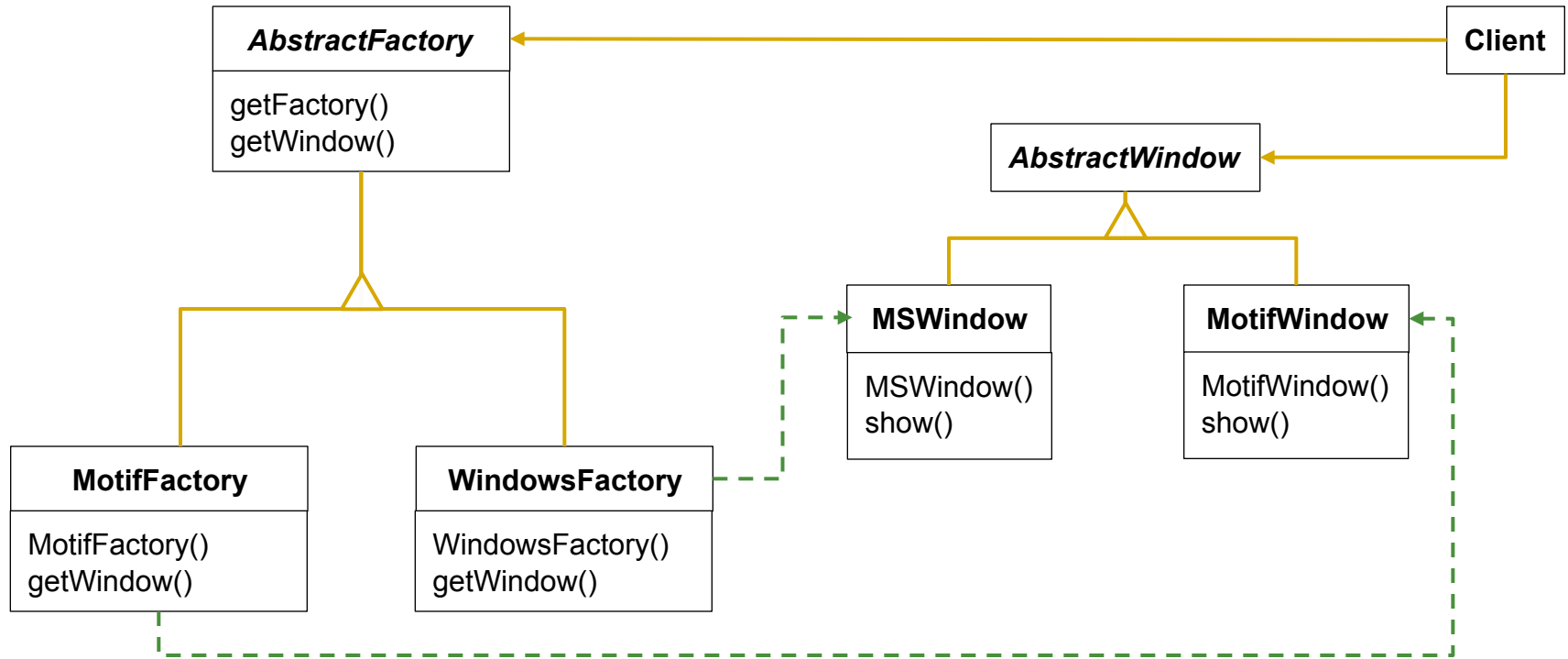
- ◆ Uses only interfaces declared by AbstractFactory and AbstractProduct classes



Consequences

- ◆ Explicit creation of widget objects **is not anymore dispersed**; hence, is easier to change
- ◆ Functional methods in `ApplicationClass` are **decoupled** from various concrete implementations of widgets
 - ◆ Product class names do not appear in client code
- ◆ Use of Factories **forces adherence to interfaces** and **encapsulates** both interface definitions and implementations
- ◆ Supporting **new kinds of products** is difficult
 - ◆ `AbstractFactory` and all its subclasses need to be changed

Example – Windows



Code for Class Client

```
public class Client {
    public Client(String factoryName) {
        AbstractFactory factory =
            AbstractFactory.getFactory(factoryName);
        AbstractWindow window = factory.getWindow();
        window.show();
    }

    public static void main(String [] args) {
        //args[0] contains the name of the family of widgets
        //to be used by the Client class (Motif or windows)
        new Client(args[0]);
    }
}
```

Client



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Code for Class AbstractFactory



```
public abstract class AbstractFactory {
    public static final String MOTIF_WIDGET_NAME = "Motif";
    public static final String WINDOWS_WIDGET_NAME = "MSWindows";

    public static AbstractFactory getFactory(String name) {
        if (name.equals(MOTIF_WIDGET_NAME))
            return new MotifFactory( );
        else if (name.equals(WINDOWS_WIDGET_NAME))
            return new windowsFactory( );
        return null;
    }

    public abstract Abstractwindow getWindow();
}
```

Motif

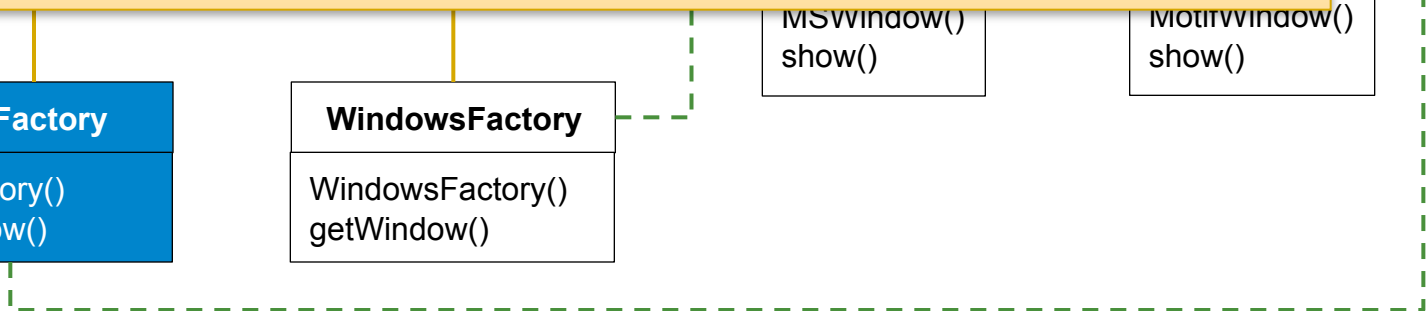
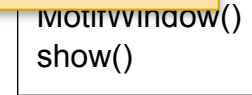
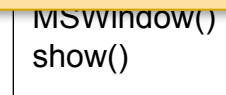
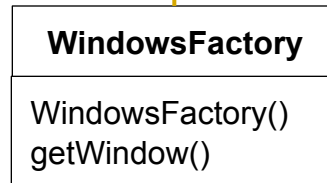
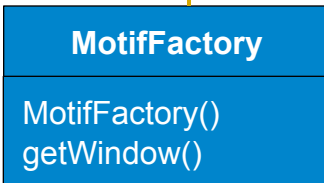
MotifFactory
getWindow()

Code for Class MotifFactory

```
public class MotifFactory extends AbstractFactory {  
    public MotifFactory() { }  
  
    public Abstractwindow getWindow() {  
        return new Motifwindow();  
    }  
}
```

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Code for Class WindowsFactory

```
public class windowsFactory extends AbstractFactory {  
    public windowsFactory() { }  
  
    public Abstractwindow getWindow() {  
        return new MSwindow();  
    }  
}
```

Client

MotifFactory

MotifFactory()
getWindow()

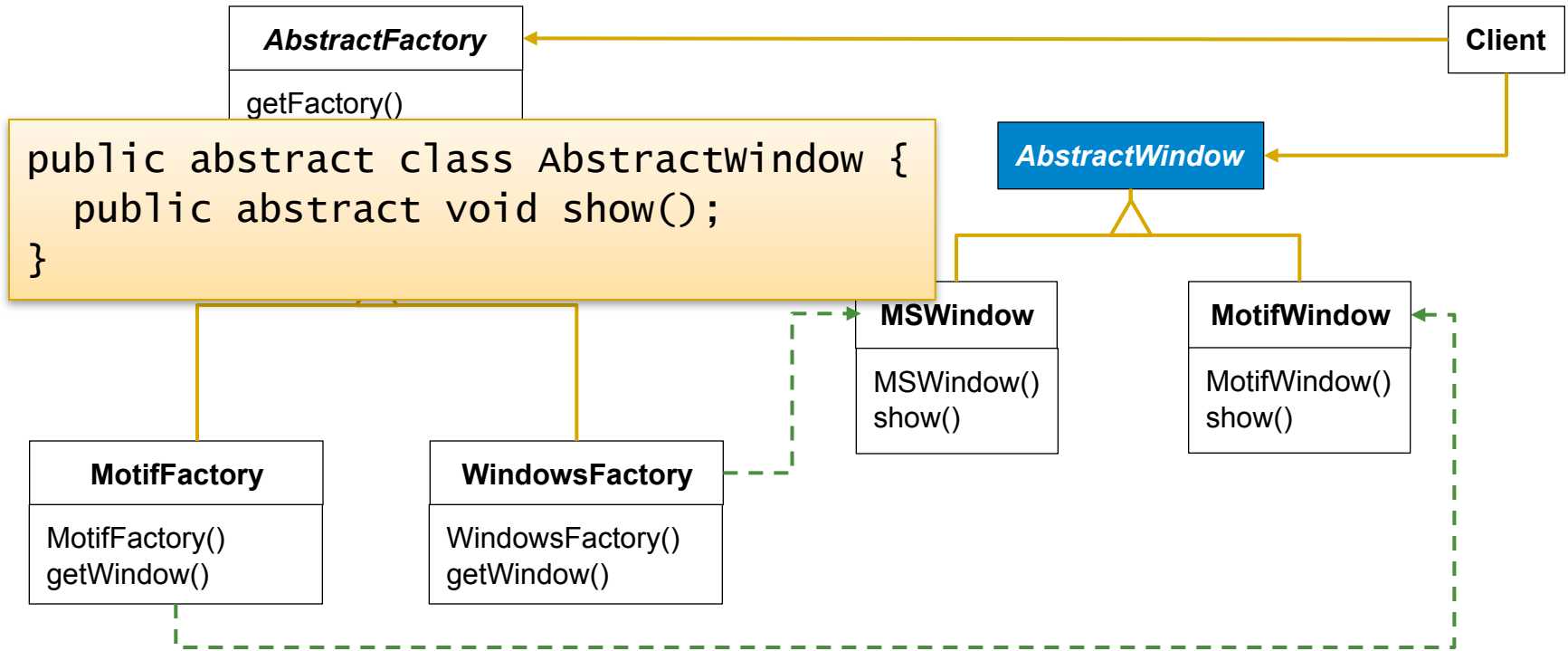
WindowsFactory

WindowsFactory()
getWindow()

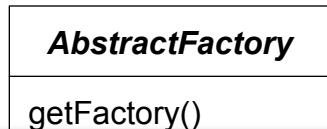
MSwindow()
show()

Motirwindow()
show()

Code for Class AbstractWindow

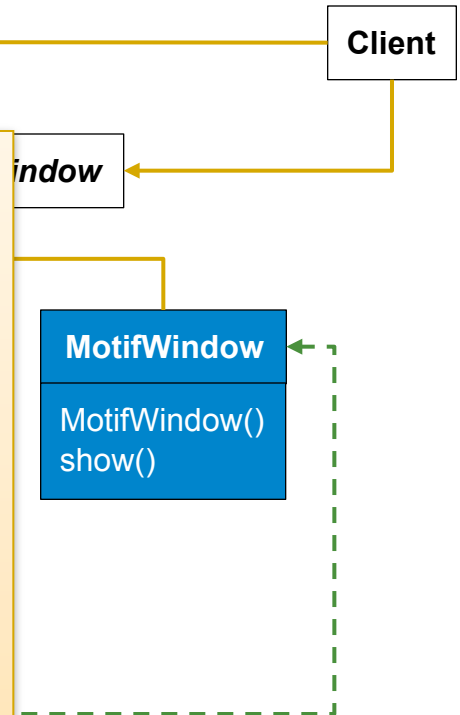
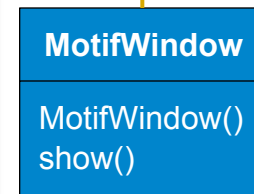


Code for Class MotifWindow

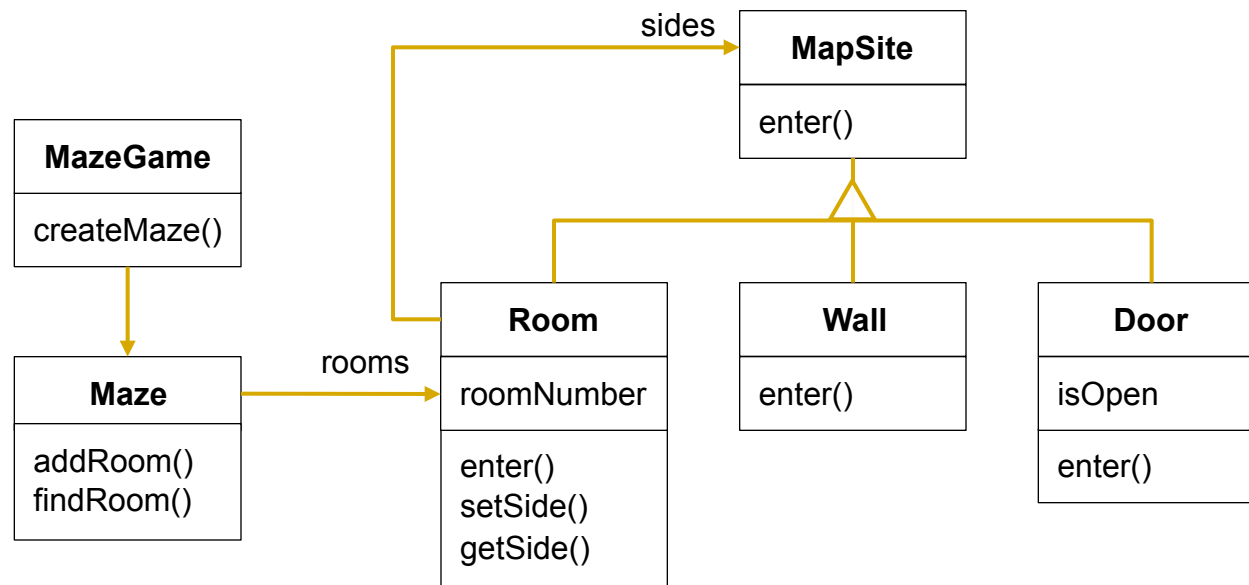


```
public class Motifwindow extends Abstractwindow {
    public Motifwindow() { }

    public void show() {
        JFrame frame = new JFrame();
        try {
            UIManager.setLookAndFeel(...);
        } catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
        //updating the components tree after changing the LAF
        SwingUtilities.updateComponentTreeUI(frame);
        frame.setSize(300, 300);
        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
}
```

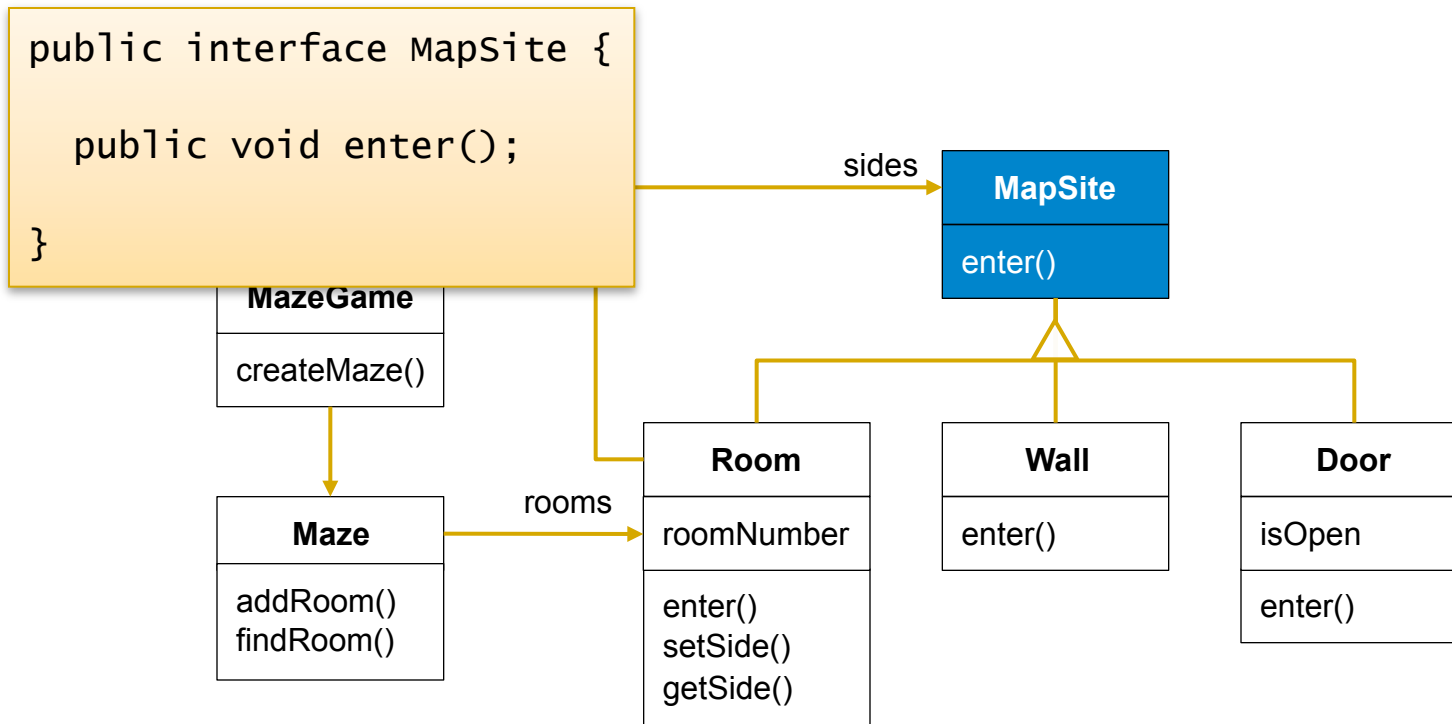


Example – Maze Game



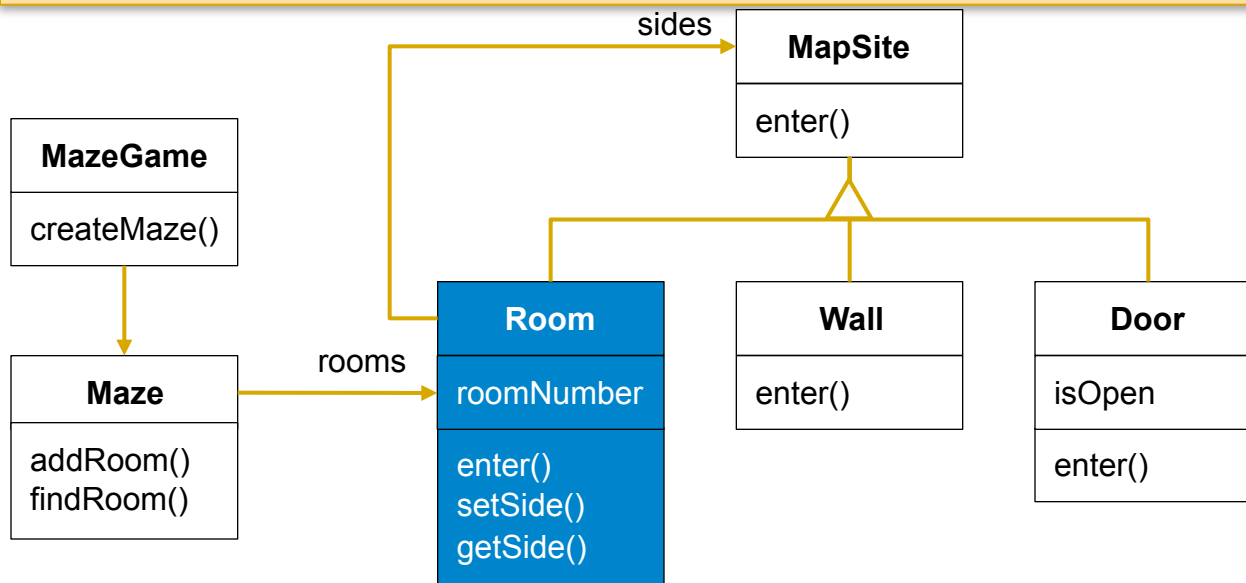
Class Mapsite

- ◆ Meaning of enter() depends on what you are entering
- ◆ room → location changes
- ◆ door → if door is open go in; else hurt your nose ;)
- ◆ wall → ouch



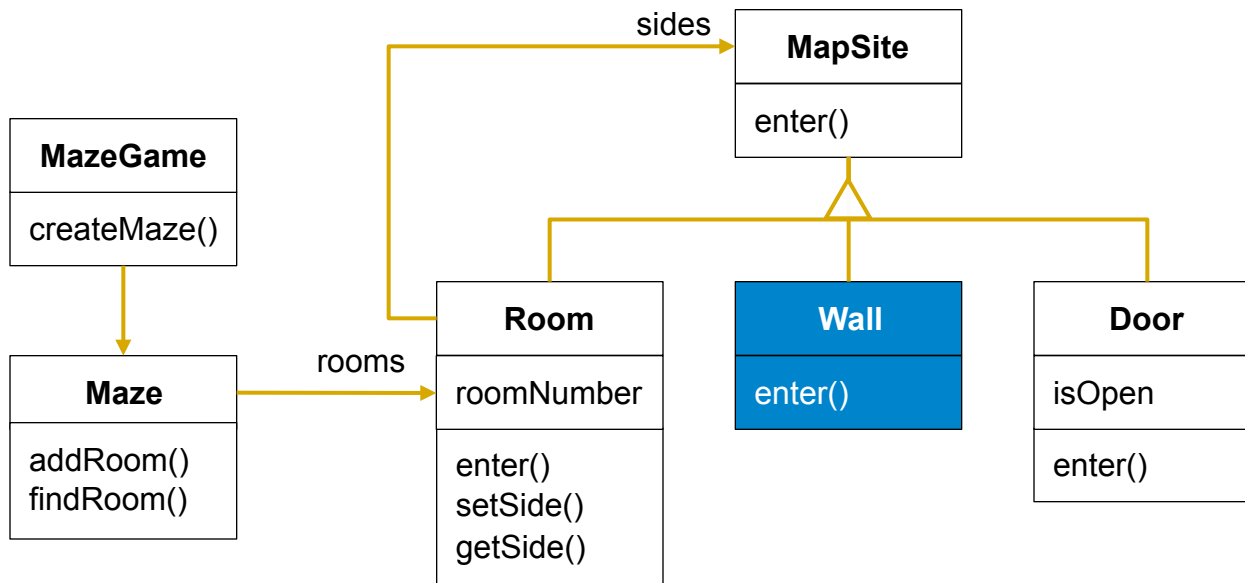
Class Room

```
public class Room implements MapSite {  
    public Room(int roomNumber) {...}  
    public MapSite getSide(Direction dir) {...}  
    public void setSide(Direction dir, MapSite site) {...}  
    public void enter() {...}  
  
    protected int roomNumber = 0;  
    protected MapSite[] sides = new MapSite[4];  
}
```



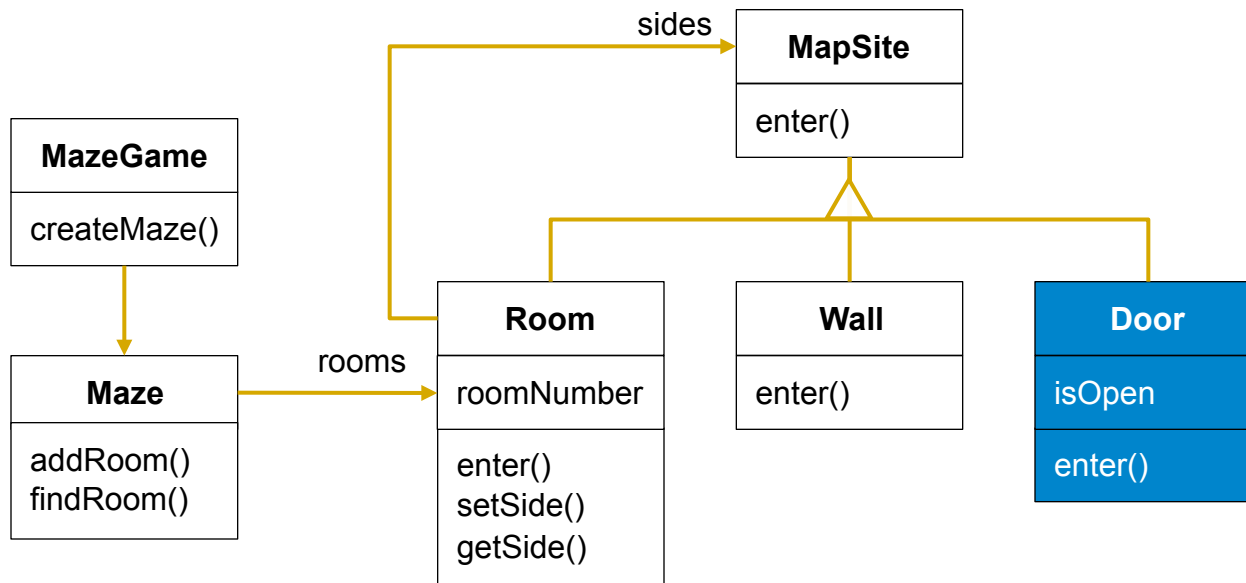
Class Wall

```
public class wall implements MapSite {  
    public void enter() {...}  
}
```



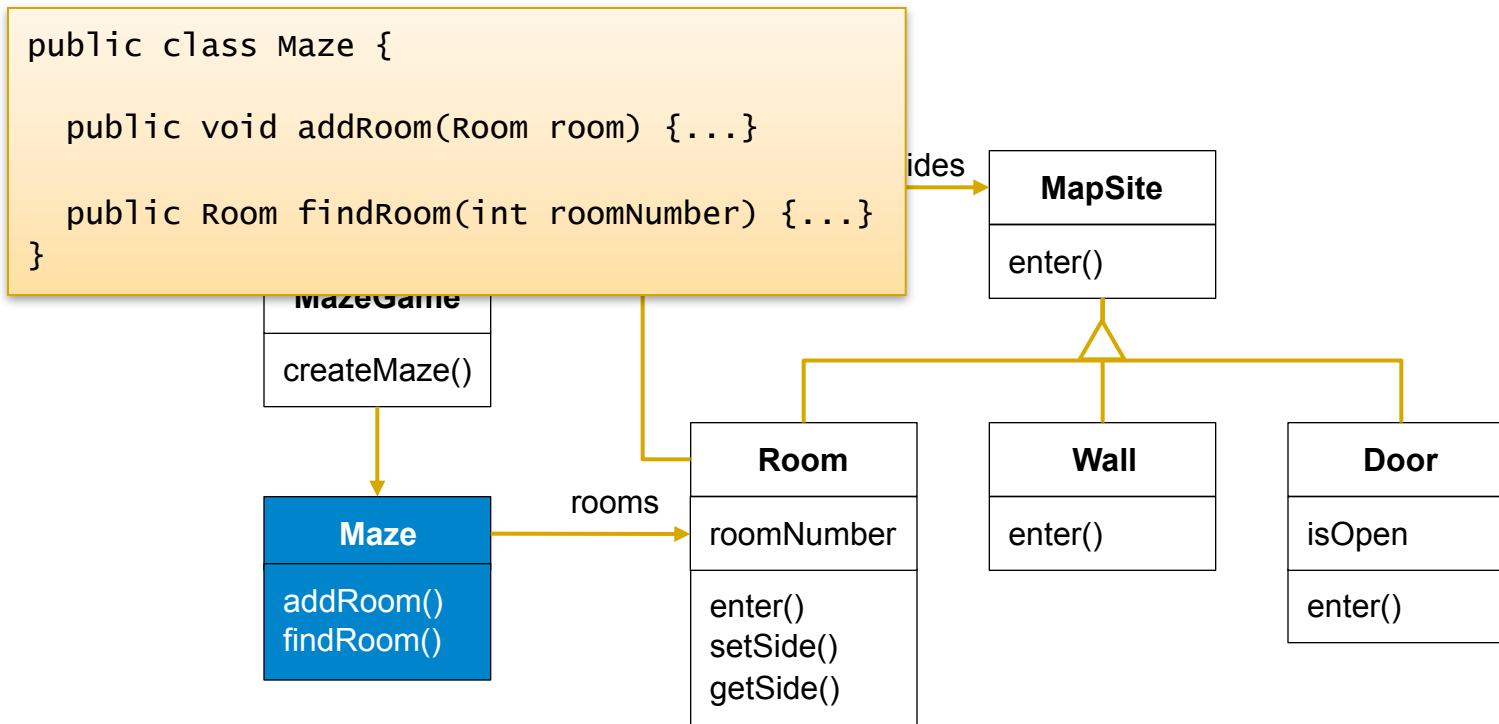
Class Door

```
public class Door implements MapSite {  
    public Door(Room room1, Room room2) {...}  
    public Room otherSideFrom(Room room) {...}  
    public void enter() {...}  
    protected Room room1;  
    protected Room room2;  
    protected boolean open;  
}
```



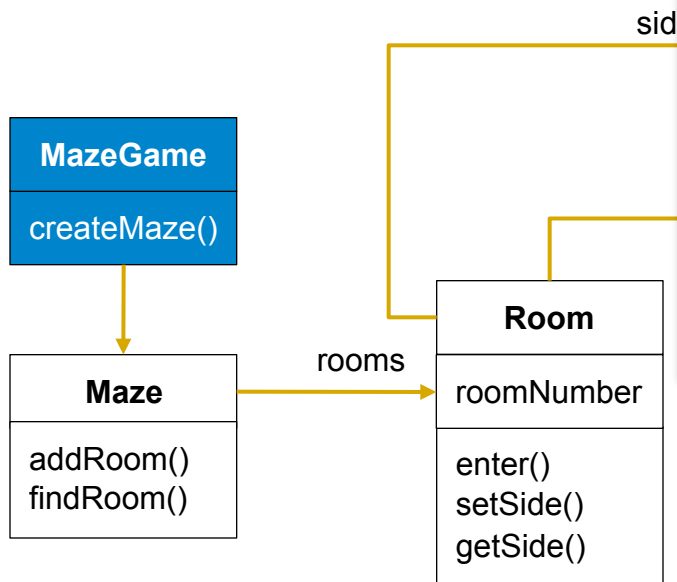
Class Maze

- ◆ A maze is a collection of rooms
- ◆ Maze can find a particular room given the room number
- ◆ `findRoom()` could do a lookup using a linear search or a hash table or a simple array



Creating the Maze

- ◆ The problem is inflexibility
 - ◆ Hard-coding of maze layout



```
public class MazeGame {
    public Maze createMaze() {
        Maze maze = new Maze();

        Room r1 = new Room(1);
        Room r2 = new Room(2);
        Door door = new Door(r1, r2);
        maze.addRoom(r1); maze.addRoom(r2);

        r1.setSide(MazeGame.North, new wall());
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.East, door);
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.South, new wall());
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.West, new wall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.North, new wall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.East, new wall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.South, new wall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.West, door);

        return maze;
    }
}
```

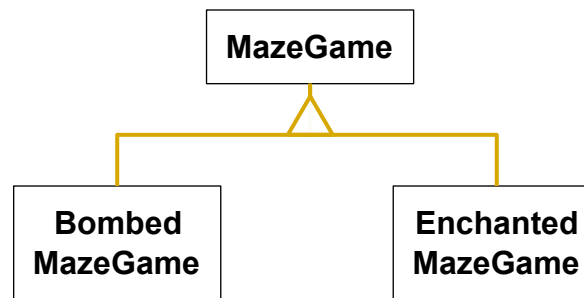
enter()

isOpen

enter()

We Want Flexibility in Maze Creation

- ◆ Be able to vary the kinds of mazes
 - ◆ Rooms with bombs
 - ◆ Walls that have been bombed
 - ◆ Enchanted rooms
 - ◆ Need a password to enter the door!



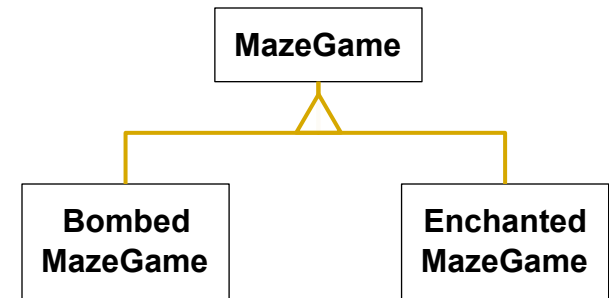
Idea 1: Subclass BombedMazeGame

```
public class BombedMazeGame extends MazeGame {
    public Maze createMaze() {
        Maze maze = new Maze();

        Room r1 = new RoomWithABomb(1);
        Room r2 = new RoomWithABomb(2);
        Door door = new Door(r1, r2);

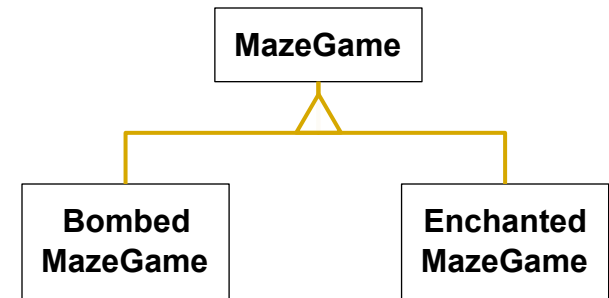
        maze.addRoom(r1); maze.addRoom(r2);

        r1.setSide(MazeGame.North, new Bombedwall());
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.East, door);
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.South, new Bombedwall());
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.West, new Bombedwall());
        ...
    }
}
```



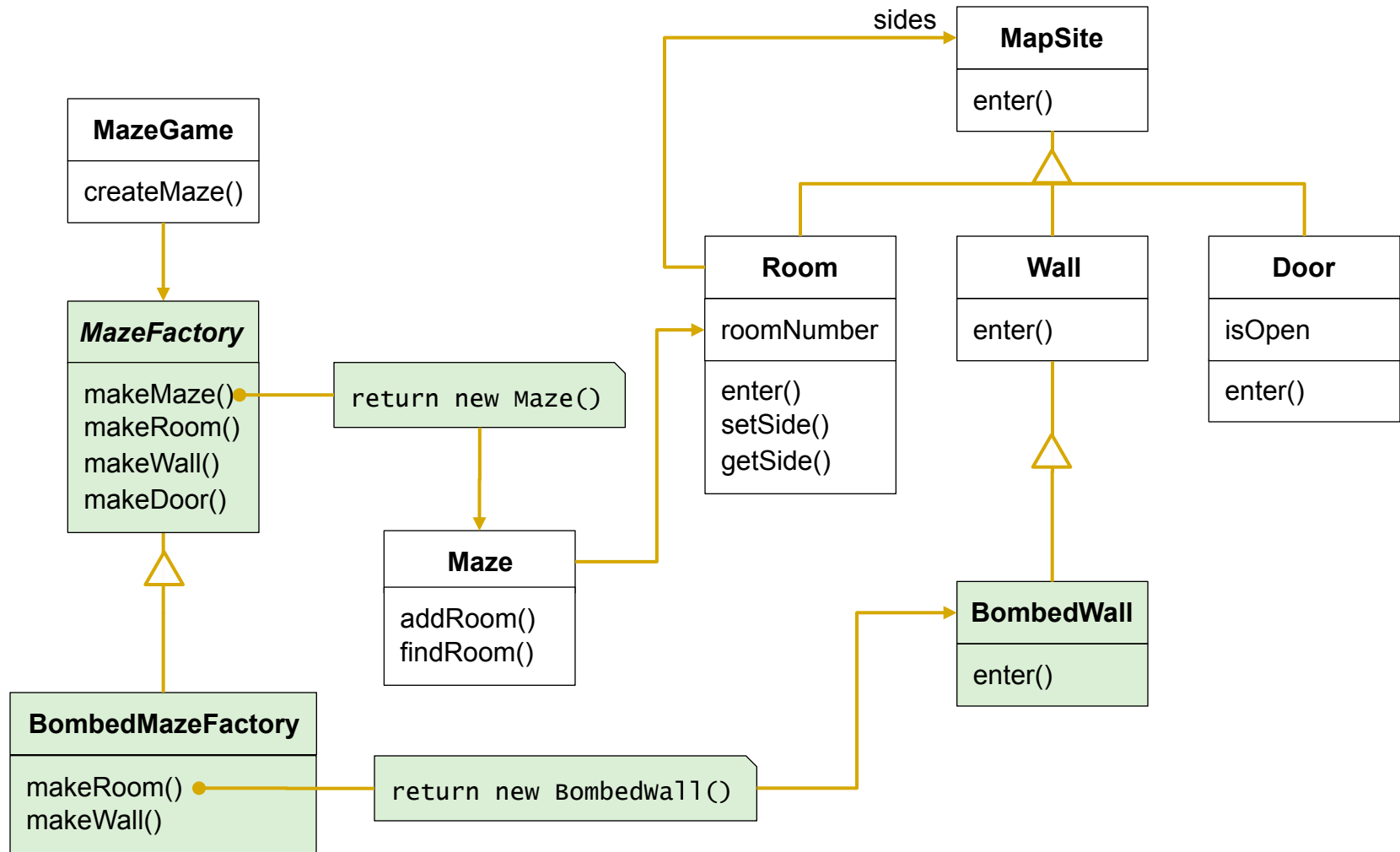
Subclass EnchantedMazeGame

```
public class EnchantedMazeGame extends MazeGame {  
    public Maze createMaze() {  
        Maze maze = new Maze();  
  
        Room r1 = new EnchantedRoom(1);  
        Room r2 = new EnchantedRoom(2);  
        Door door = new DoorNeedingSpell(r1, r2);  
  
        maze.addRoom(r1); maze.addRoom(r2);  
  
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.North, new wall());  
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.East, door);  
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.South, new wall());  
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.West, new wall());  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

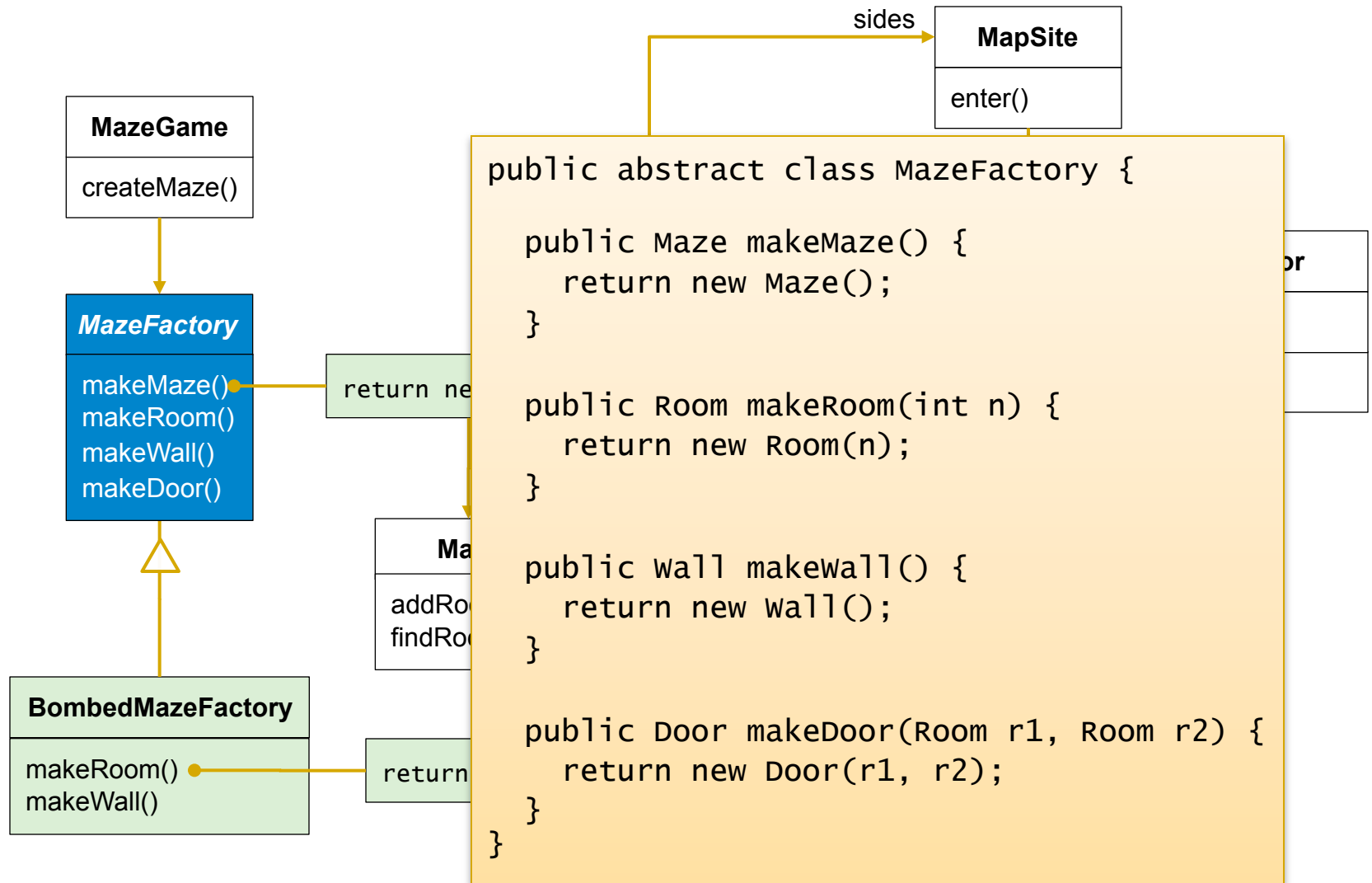


- ◆ Lots of code duplication for each type of maze... :((

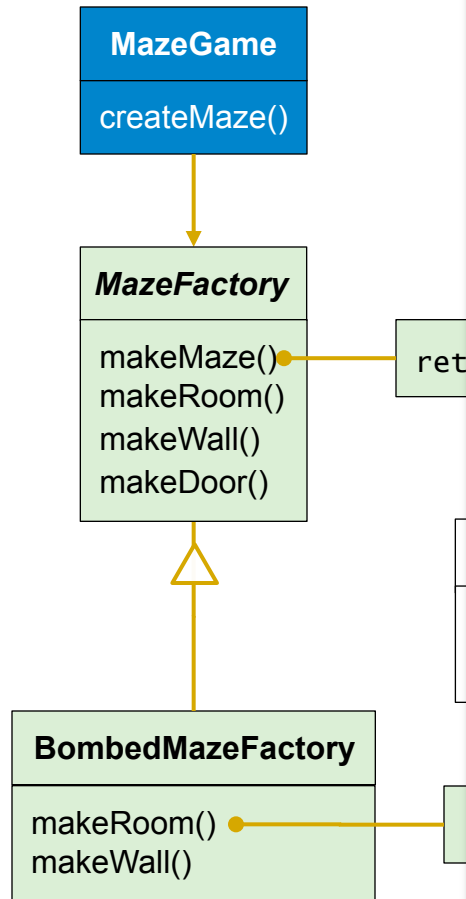
Idea 2: Use Abstract Factory



MazeFactory Abstract Class



Modified Method createMaze



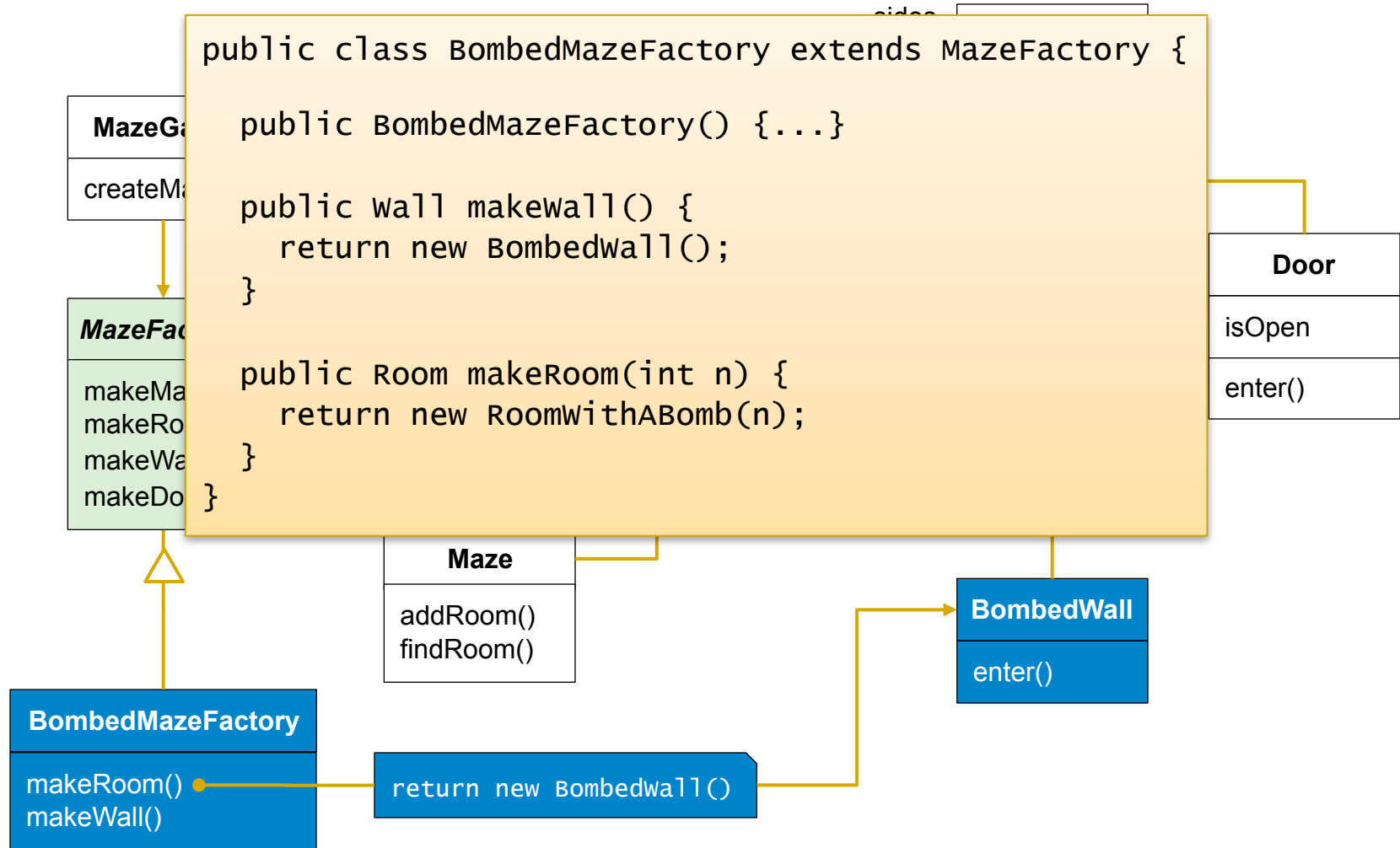
```
public class MazeGame {
    public Maze createMaze(MazeFactory factory) {
        Maze maze = factory.makeMaze();

        Room r1 = factory.makeRoom(1);
        Room r2 = factory.makeRoom(2);
        Door door = factory.makeDoor(r1, r2);
        maze.addRoom(r1); maze.addRoom(r2);

        r1.setSide(MazeGame.North, factory.makeWall());
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.East, door);
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.South, factory.makeWall());
        r1.setSide(MazeGame.West, factory.makeWall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.North, factory.makeWall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.East, factory.makeWall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.South, factory.makeWall());
        r2.setSide(MazeGame.West, door);

        return maze;
    }
}
```

Subclass BombedMazeFactory



Subclass Enchanted Factory

```
public class EnchantedMazeFactory extends MazeFactory {  
    public EnchantedMazeFactory() {...}  
  
    public Room makeRoom(int n) {  
        return new EnchantedRoom(n, new Spell());  
    }  
  
    public Door makeDoor(Room r1, Room r2) {  
        return new DoorNeedingSpell(r1, r2);  
    }  
}
```

Localizing Change in One Place: the Instantiation

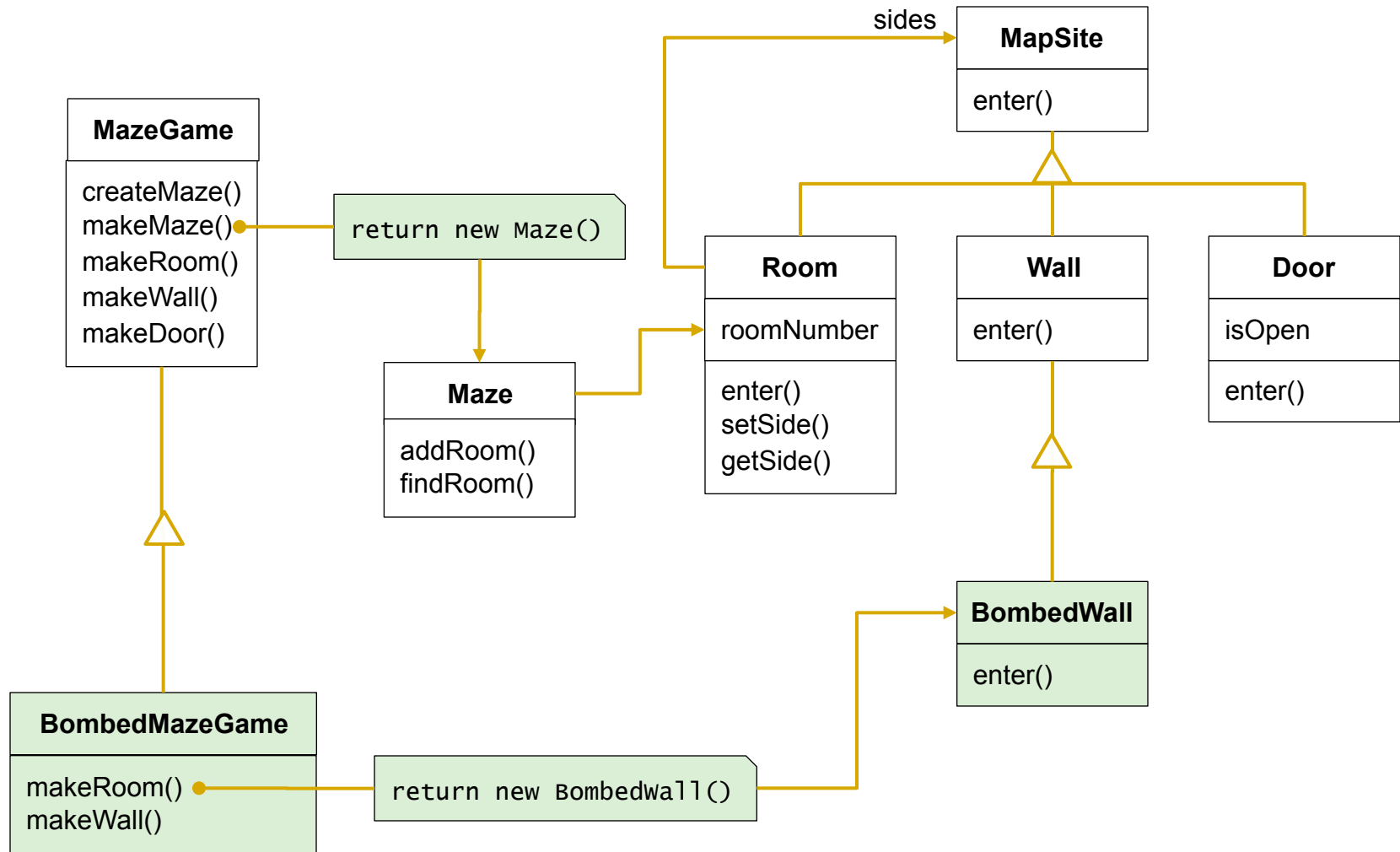
- ◆ To build an Enchanted Maze

```
MazeFactory factory = new EnchantedMazeFactory();  
aMaze = game.createMaze(factory);
```

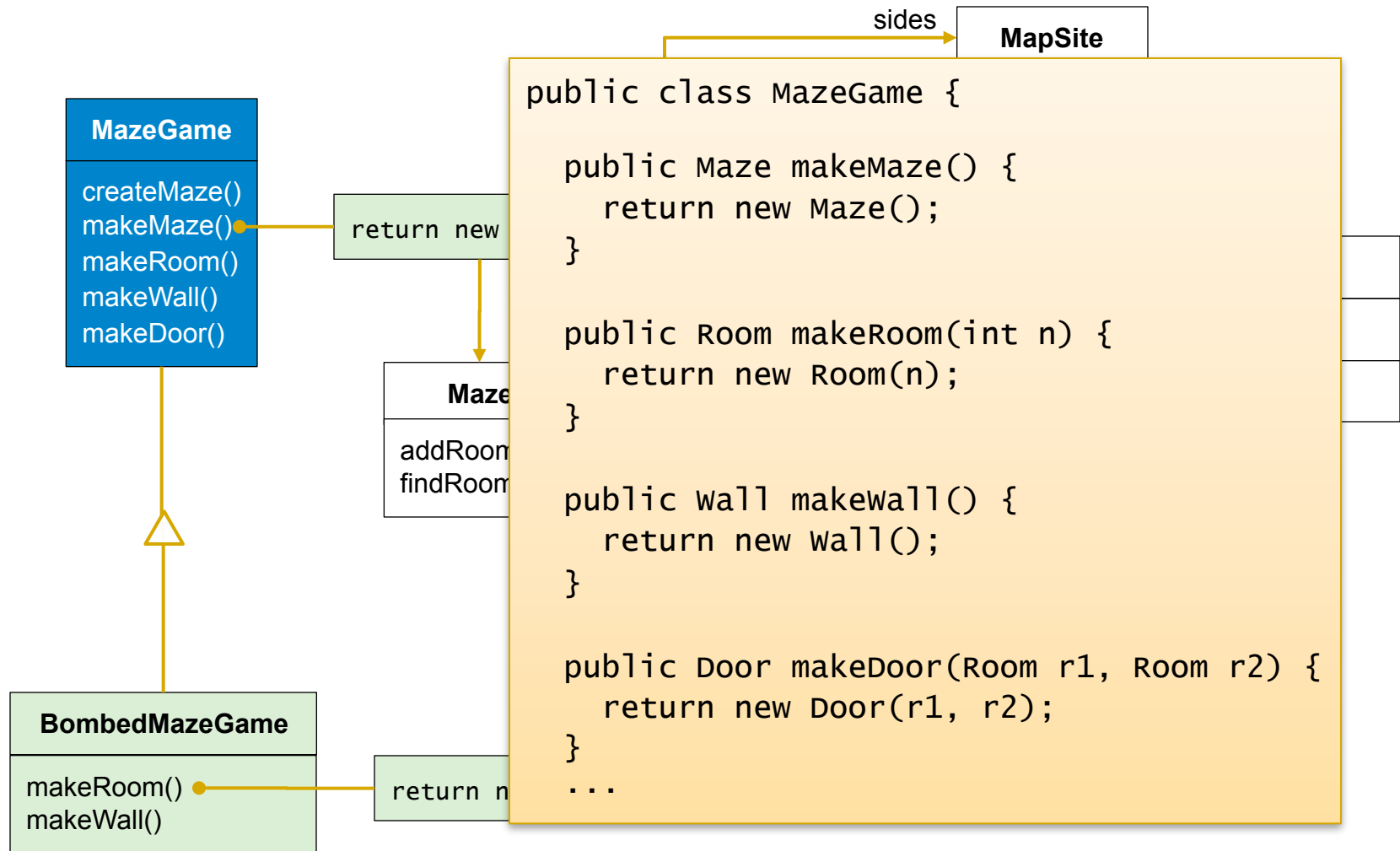
- ◆ To build a Bombed Maze

```
MazeFactory factory = new BombedMazeFactory();  
maze = game.createMaze(factory);
```

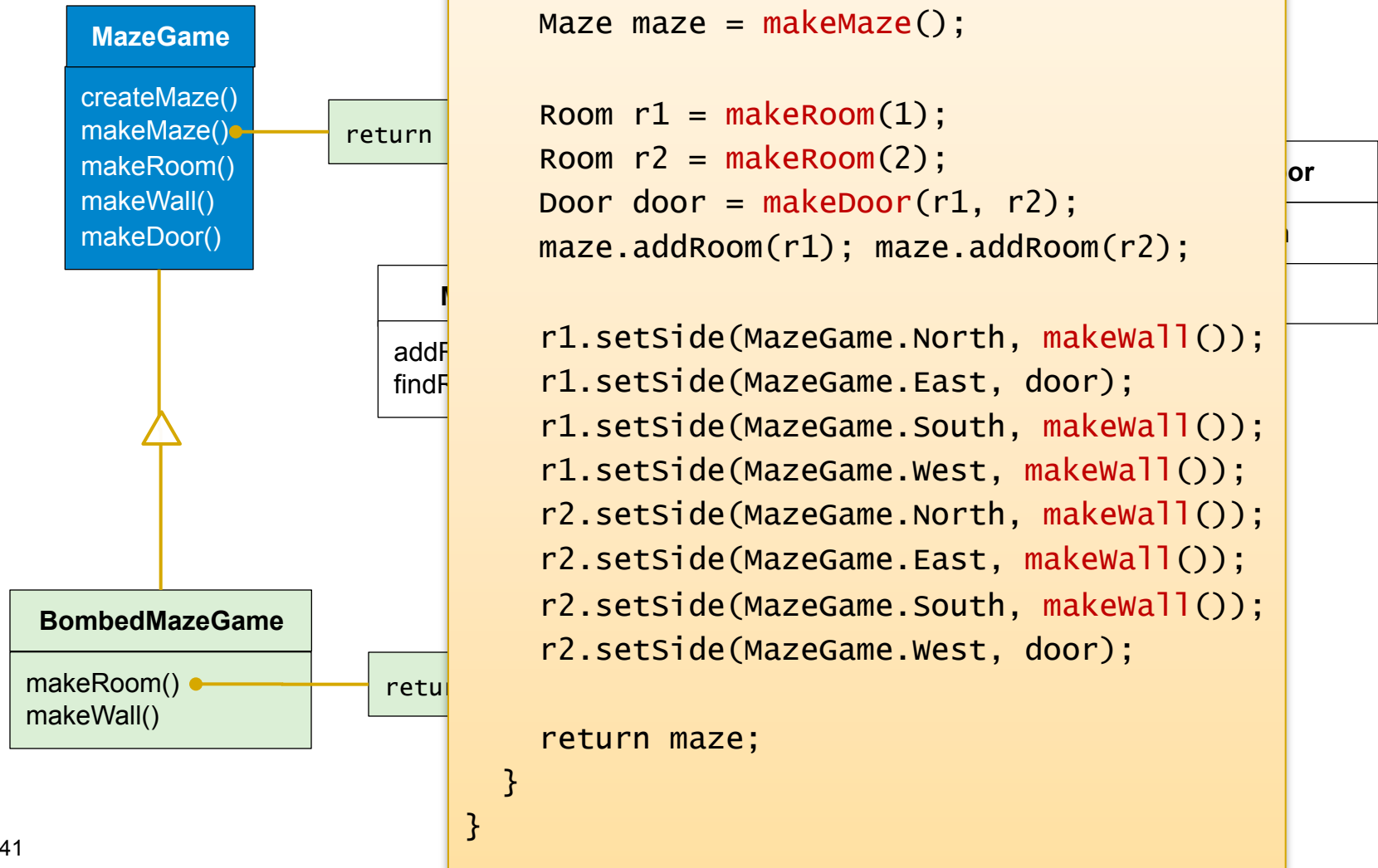
Idea 3: Use Factory Method



Factory Methods in MazeGame

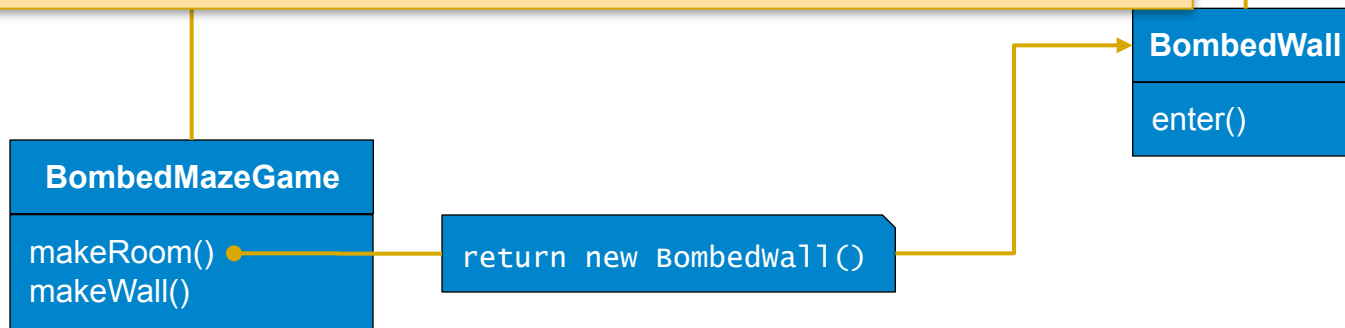
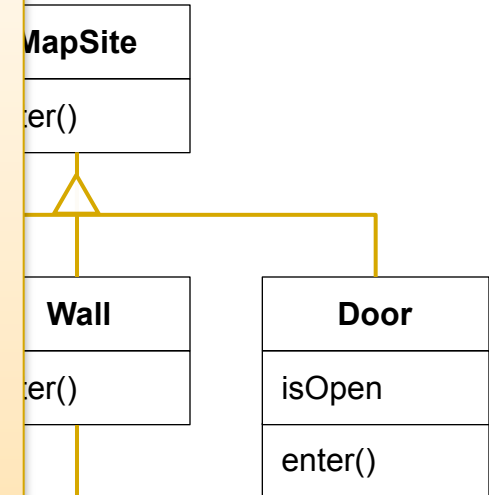


Modified Method createMaze



Subclass BombedMazeGame

```
public class BombedMazeGame extends MazeGame {  
    public BombedMazeGame() {...}  
  
    public wall makewall() {  
        return new Bombedwall();  
    }  
  
    public Room makeRoom(int n) {  
        return new RoomwithABomb(n);  
    }  
}
```



Abstract Factory vs. Factory Method

- ◆ In Abstract Factory, a class **delegates** the responsibility of object instantiation to another one via **composition**
- ◆ The Factory Method pattern uses **inheritance** to handle the desired object instantiation