



Java Evolution Vector: DOP

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Spoiler

1. **Java keeps evolving** just like any other natural language
2. New features make the code cleaner and safer:
 - **Records** – reduce the amount of code
 - **Sealed Classes** – ensure safety by **controlling inheritance**
 - **Pattern Matching** – simplifies code and minimises the risks
3. All of this (at this point in history) is called **Data-oriented programming**



Buzzwords

- OOP
- Instanceof
- Data processing
- Spring
- Java 21+



Agenda

1. Give a definition of **Data Oriented Programming**
2. Implement **DOP** concepts in **Java 11**
3. Bump version to **Java 17**
4. And finalize with **Java 21**
5. Trace the **evolution** of DOP in Java
6. Find out **cases for DOP** usage
7. Summarize



```
interface EntityDef {
    final class Customer implements EntityDef {
        private final String name;

        public Customer(String name) {
            this.name = name;
        }
        public String name() {
            return name;
        }
    }
    final class Product implements EntityDef {
        private final int id;

        public Product(int id) {
            this.id = id;
        }
        public int id() {
            return id;
        }
    }
    final class Purchase implements EntityDef {
        . . .
    }
}
```

```
void logEntityDef(EntityDef def) {
    String res;

    if (def instanceof Customer) {
        Customer cus = (Customer) def;
        res = "Customer: " + cus.name();
    } else if (def instanceof Purchase) {
        Purchase pur = (Purchase) def;
        res = format("Purchase: %s - [%s, %s]",
            pur.id(),
            pur.customer().name(),
            pur.product().id()
        );
    } else if (def instanceof Product) {
        Product prod = (Product) def;
        res = "Product: " + prod.id();
    }

    log.info(res);
}
```



```
sealed interface EntityDef {
    record Customer(String name) implements EntityDef { }
    record Purchase(int id, Customer customer, Product product) implements EntityDef { }
    record Product(int id) implements EntityDef { }
}

void logEntityDef(EntityDef def) {
    log.info(
        switch (def) {
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A programming paradigm is a relatively high-level **way to** structure and **conceptualize the implementation** of a computer program



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- Versioning boundaries
- Encapsulation boundaries
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- Compatibility boundaries
- Security boundaries
- ...

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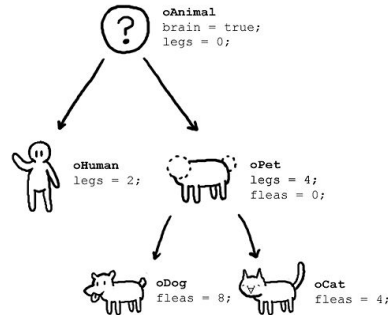
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What OOP users claim



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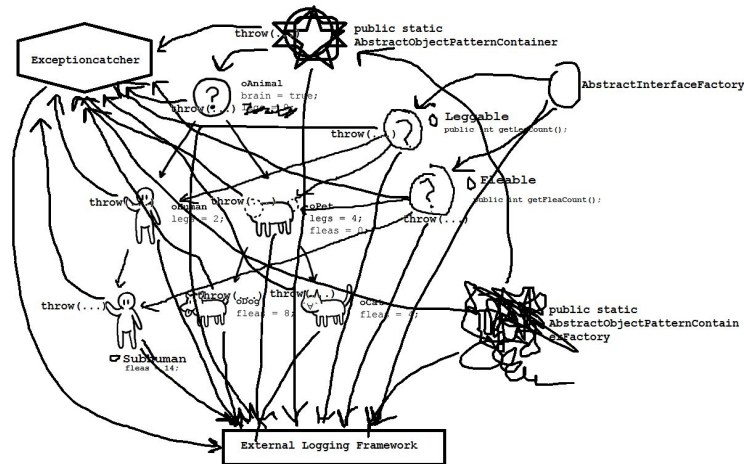


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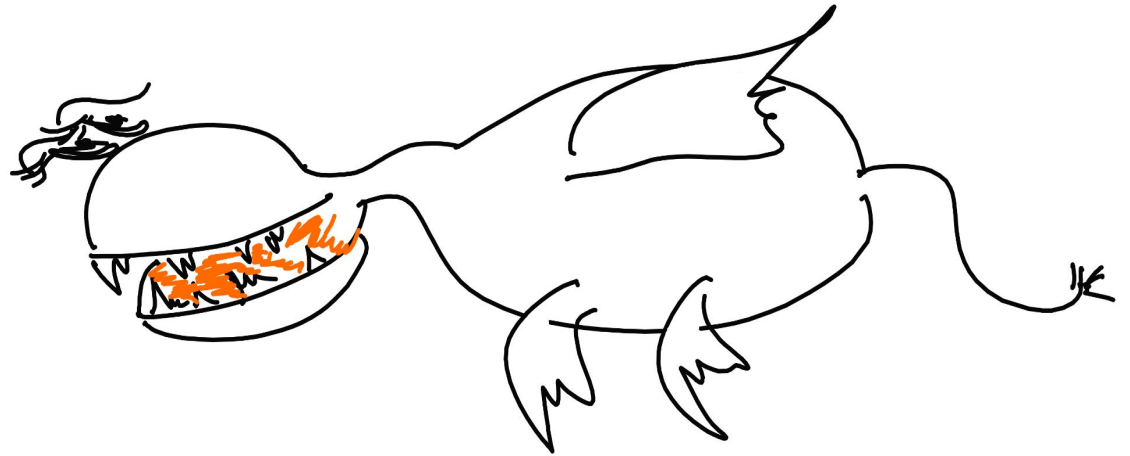


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- > *Convenient for **big apps***

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- ~~2. And in small systems we don't really need clear boundaries!~~
2. If only we could **exchange** some of the **strictness** of the boundaries **for** something that would help us **do things more conveniently**.



Data processing

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Dispatch-based approach

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interface Type
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class IpData(ip: UInt) extends Type

fun process(dto: Type) {
    match (dto) {
        instanceof TxData -> {
            print("Tx id is: " + dto.txId)
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Violations

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Implementation aspects

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That's all?

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Data-oriented programming

- These features work together to better model and process "plain data"
 - **Records + sealed types = algebraic data types**
 - **Pattern matching** = ad-hoc polymorphism (or, "Visitor without the visitors")
 - **Switch** has been considerably **upgraded** to make this even easier
- Why is this important?
 - **Java programs** are more frequently **dealing with "pure data"** coming from outside the application
 - **Program units are getting smaller**
 - **Boundaries defined by JSON**, not Java APIs
 - Services exchange data, not objects



Java 22 ... and beyond

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Project Amber

Algebraic Data Types

- Records - JDK 16
- Sealed Classes - JDK 17

Pattern Matching

- Pattern Matching for instanceof - JDK 16
- Pattern Matching for switch - JDK 21
- Record Patterns - JDK 21
- Unnamed Variables & Patterns - JDK 22
- Primitive Types in Patterns, instanceof, and switch - JEP 455
- Derived Record Creation - JEP 468



Project Amber

	Summary	Pain point	“Obvious” Competition
Loom	Lightweight concurrency	"Threads are too expensive, don't scale"	Go, Elixir
ZGC	Sub-millisecond GC pauses	"GC pauses are too long"	C, Rust
Panama	Native code and memory interop SIMD Vector support	"Using native libraries is too hard" "Numeric loops are too slow"	Python, C
Amber	Right-sizing language ceremony	"Java is too verbose" "Java is hard to teach"	C#, Kotlin
Leyden	Faster startup and warmup	"Java starts up too slowly"	Go
Valhalla	Value types and specialized generics	"Cache misses are too expensive" "Generics and primitives don't mix"	C, C#
Babylon	Foreign programming model interop	"Using GPUs is too hard"	LinQ, Julia



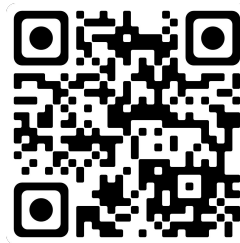
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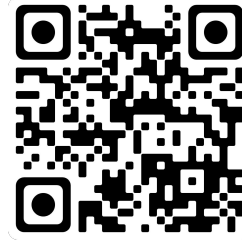
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Relevance



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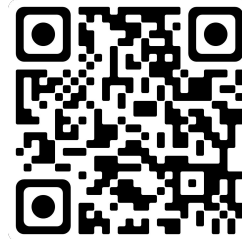
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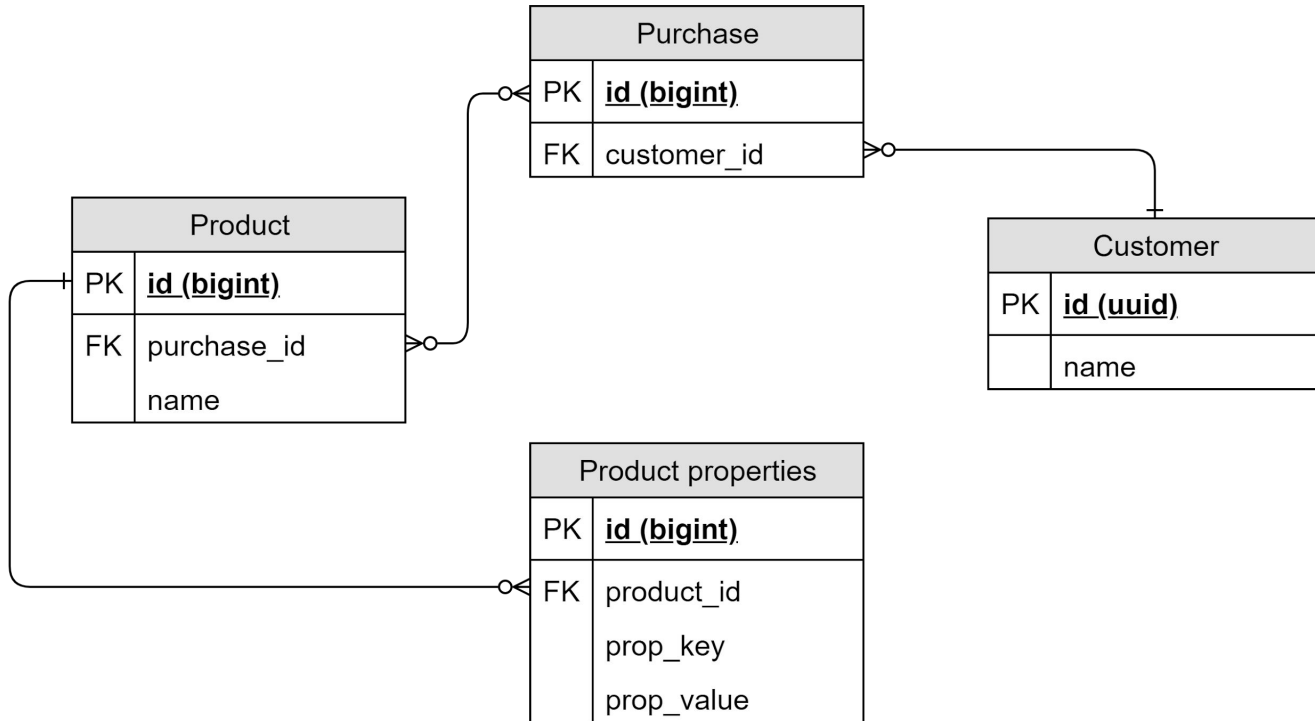
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Practical application





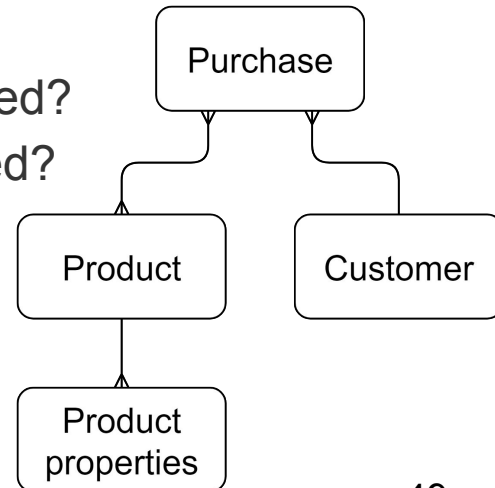


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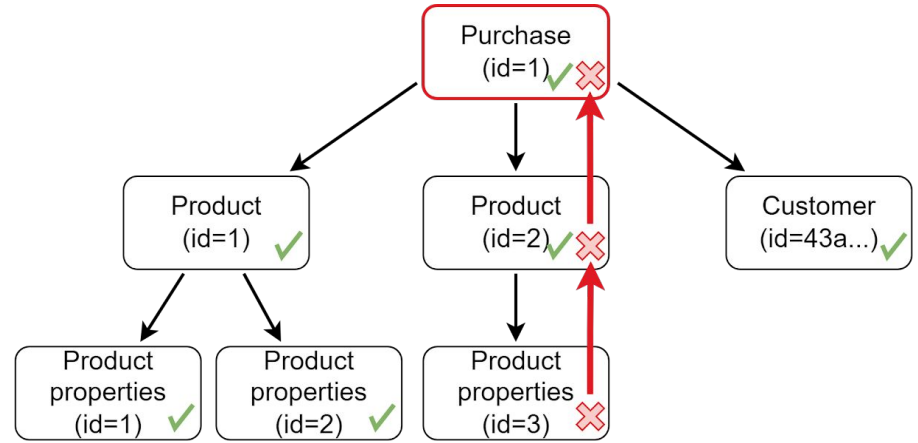
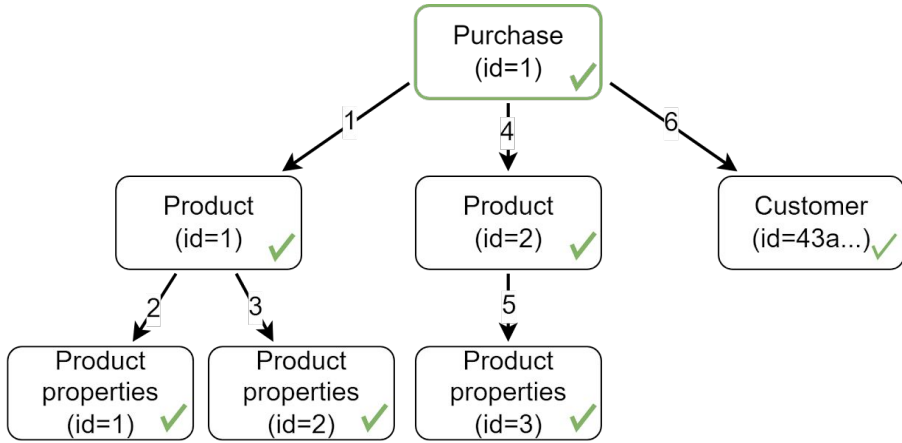
Case: build up a **composite access control** check **system** for an entity **hierarchy**

If we receive an access request for the entity **Purchase** with $id = 1$, we need to check:

- Is access to **Purchase** with $id = 1$ permitted?
- Is access to **Customer** related to **Purchase**($id=1$) permitted?
- Is access to **Products** related to **Purchase**($id=1$) permitted?
- Is access to **Product Properties** related to all **Products** from the previous step permitted?



If all checks pass, access is granted.





API

```
###  
POST /composite-access-resolution/check  
Content-Type: application/json
```

```
{  
  "entityDefinition": {  
    "qualifier": "PRODUCT",  
    "id": 1  
  },  
  "actionType": "DELETE"  
}
```

```
###  
POST /composite-access-resolution/check  
Content-Type: application/json
```

```
{  
  "entityDefinition": {  
    "qualifier": "CUSTOMER",  
    "id": "3fa85f64-5717-4562-b3fc-2c963f66afa6"  
  },  
  "actionType": "READ"  
}
```



Let's start in Java 11

```
@Data
public final class AccessCheckRequest {
    private final EntityDefinition<?> entityDefinition;
    private final ActionType actionType;
}

public enum ActionType {
    READ, WRITE, DELETE
}
```



Entity Definition

```
public enum SecuredEntityQualifier {
    CUSTOMER,
    PRODUCT,
    PRODUCT_PROPERTIES,
    PURCHASE;
}

@JsonTypeInfo (. . .)
@JsonSubTypes ({. . .})
public interface EntityDefinition<T> {
    T getId();
    SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier();
}

public interface LongIdEntityDefinition extends EntityDefinition<Long> {
}

public interface UUIDEntityDefinition extends EntityDefinition<UUID> {
}
```



Polymorphism in JSON

```
@JsonTypeInfo(  
    use = JsonTypeInfo.Id.NAME,  
    property = "qualifier",  
    visible = true  
)  
@JsonSubTypes({  
    @Type(value = ProductDefinition.class, name = PRODUCT),  
    @Type(value = CustomerDefinition.class, name = CUSTOMER),  
    @Type(value = PurchaseDefinition.class, name = PURCHASE),  
    @Type(value = ProductPropertiesDefinition.class, name = PRODUCT_PROPERTIES),  
})  
public interface EntityDefinition<T> {  
    . . .  
}
```



```
@Data
public final class CustomerDefinition
    implements UUIDEntityDefinition {
    private final UUID id;

    @Override
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier () {
        return CUSTOMER;
    }
}
```

```
@Data
public final class ProductDefinition implements LongIdEntityDefinition {
    private final Long id;

    @JsonCreator
    public ProductDefinition (long id) {
        if (id <= 0) throw new IllegalArgumentException ("id must be positive");
        this.id = id;
    }

    @Override
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier () {
        return PRODUCT;
    }
}
```

DOP principles

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Entity

```
@Data
public final class
    Customer implements SecuredEntity {

    @Id
    private final UUID id;
    private final String name;

    @Override
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier() {
        return CUSTOMER;
    }
}
```

```
@Data
public final class
    Product implements SecuredEntity {

    @Id
    private final Long id;
    private final String name;

    @Override
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier()
    {
        return PRODUCT;
    }
}
```




Permission issuance

```
public boolean checkAccess (AccessCheckRequest accessCheckRequest ) {
    // Build mapper
    var accessType = accessCheckRequest.actionType();
    var authorities = SecurityContextHolder.getContext().getAuthentication().getAuthorities();
    var mapper = mapperResolver.getMapperByAccessTypeAndRoleSet( accessType, authorities);

    // Fetch entity
    var entityDefinition = accessCheckRequest.entityDefinition();
    var rootEntity = entityFetcher.findEntityByDefinition( entityDefinition ).orElseThrow();

    // Process the entity tree
    return entityWalkerService
        .processEntityTree( rootEntity, mapper )
        .stream()
        // If all entities down the tree are accessible -> root accessible
        .allMatch( Predicate.isEqual( true ) );
}
```



Entity fetcher - Strategy

```
public interface SecuredEntityFetcherStrategy <ENTITY extends SecuredEntity<ID>, ID> {  
    Optional<ENTITY> fetch(ID id); // delegation  
    Class<? extends EntityDefinition<ID>> getKey();  
    . . .  
}
```



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```
public class CustomerFetcherStrategy implements SecuredEntityFetcherStrategy <Customer, UUID> {  
    private final CustomerRepository customerRepository;  
  
    @Override  
    public Class<? extends EntityDefinition<UUID>> getKey () {  
        return CustomerDefinition.class;  
    }  
    @Override  
    public Optional<Customer> fetch(UUID uuid) {  
        return customerRepository.findById(uuid);  
    }  
}
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    default void register(SecuredEntityFetcherStrategyRegistry registry ) {
        registry.register(this);
    }
}
```



Entity fetcher - Registry

```
public class SecuredEntityFetcherStrategyRegistry {
    private final Map<
        Class<? extends EntityDefinition<?>>,
        SecuredEntityFetcherStrategy<?, ?>
    > strategies = new HashMap<>();

    public void register(SecuredEntityFetcherStrategy<?, ?> strategy) {
        if (strategies.containsKey(strategy.getKey()))
            throw new IllegalStateException("This strategy already exist in registry");
        else
            strategies.put(strategy.getKey(), strategy);
    }

    public <T> SecuredEntityFetcherStrategy<?, T> getStrategy(EntityDefinition<T> definition) {
        return (SecuredEntityFetcherStrategy<?, T>) strategies.get(definition.getClass());
    }
}
```



Entity fetcher - Service

```
@Service
public class SecuredEntityByDefinitionRegistryFetcherImpl {
    private final SecuredEntityFetcherStrategyRegistry registry;

    @Override
    public <T> Optional<? extends SecuredEntity<T>> findEntityByDefinition (
        EntityDefinition<T> entityDefinition
    ) {
        var fetchStrategy = registry.getStrategy(entityDefinition);
        var id = entityDefinition.getId();
        return fetchStrategy.fetch(id);
    }
}
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Entity fetcher - Summary

- + **Dispatch enveloped** in registry pattern
- **Too much boilerplate code**



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Non-existent problems

- Dealing with **unlimited** number of **strategies**
- **Dynamic strategy registration**

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Entity fetcher...

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    var longIdEntityDefinition = (LongIdEntityDefinition) entityDefinition;
    if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductDefinition) {
        result = productRepository.findById(longIdEntityDefinition.getId());
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof PurchaseDefinition) {
        result = purchaseRepository.findById(longIdEntityDefinition.getId());
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductPropertiesDefinition) {
        result = productPropertiesIntegrationService.findById(longIdEntityDefinition.getId());
    } else throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not expected");
} else if (entityDefinition instanceof UUIDEntityDefinition) {
    var uuidEntityDefinition = (UUIDEntityDefinition) entityDefinition;
    if (uuidEntityDefinition instanceof CustomerDefinition) {
        result = customerRepository.findById(((CustomerDefinition) entityDefinition).getId());
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Issue 1 - instanceof

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Issue 2 - Openness

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Issue 3 - Casts

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        result = purchaseRepository.findById(longIdEntityDefinition.getId());
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductPropertiesDefinition) {
        result = productPropertiesIntegrationService.findById(longIdEntityDefinition.getId());
    } else throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not expected");
} else if (entityDefinition instanceof UUIDEntityDefinition) {
    var uuidEntityDefinition = (UUIDEntityDefinition) entityDefinition;
    if (uuidEntityDefinition instanceof CustomerDefinition) {
        result = customerRepository.findById(((CustomerDefinition) entityDefinition).getId());
    } else throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not expected");
} else throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not expected");

return result;
```



Entity tree walker

```
Stream<T> processEntityTreeToStream (SecuredEntity entity, Function<SecuredEntity, T> mapper) {
    var result = Stream.of(mapper.apply(entity));

    if (entity instanceof Purchase) {
        var purchase = (Purchase) entity;
        result = Stream.concat(
            result, Stream.concat(
                purchase.getProducts()
                    .stream()
                    .flatMap(ref -> productRepo.findById(ref.getId()) .stream())
                    .flatMap(p -> processEntityTreeToStream(p, mapper)),

                processEntityTreeToStream(
                    customerRepo.findById(purchase.getCustomerId().getId())
                        .orElseThrow(),
                    mapper
                )));
    } else if (entity instanceof Product) {
        . . .
    } else throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not expected");
    return result;
}
```



Entity tree walker

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                        .orElseThrow(),
                    mapper
                )))
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        . . .
    } else throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not expected");
    return result;
}
```



Issues identified

- Instanceof
- Exception in case of unknown subclass
- Casts



Java 17

- Sealed Classes (JEP 409)
- Records (JEP 395)
- Pattern Matching for instanceof (JEP 394)



Sealed Classes

- Allows **inheritance** only for **specific predefined** types
- **Operates within** the scope of a **package**
- Defined by the **sealed/non-sealed** and **permits** modifiers



Put it into practice

```
public sealed interface EntityDefinition<T>
    permits LongIdEntityDefinition, UUIDEntityDefinition {
    T id();
    SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier();
}
```

```
public sealed interface LongIdEntityDefinition extends EntityDefinition<Long>
    permits
    ProductDefinition,
    ProductPropertiesDefinition,
    PurchaseDefinition {
}
```

```
public sealed interface UUIDEntityDefinition extends EntityDefinition<UUID>
    permits CustomerDefinition {
}
```




Entity definitions

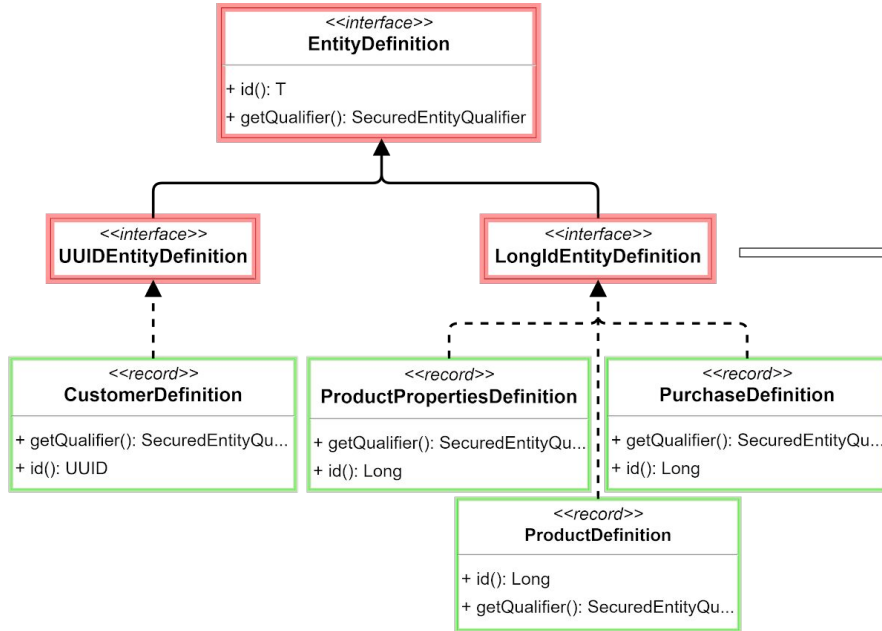
```
public record ProductPropertiesDefinition(  
    Long id  
) implements LongIdEntityDefinition {  
    public ProductPropertiesDefinition {  
        if (id <= 0) throw new IllegalArgumentException("id must be positive");  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier() {  
        return PRODUCT_PROPERTIES;  
    }  
}
```

```
public record CustomerDefinition(  
    UUID id  
) implements UUIDEntityDefinition {  
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier() {  
        return CUSTOMER;  
    }  
}
```

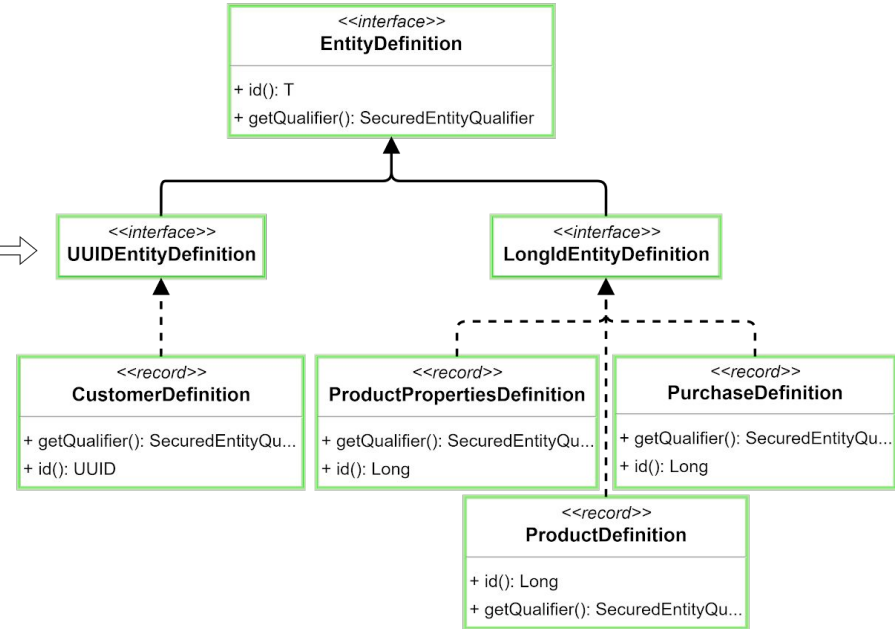


Sealed hierarchy

Java 11



Java 17





Entity

```
public sealed interface SecuredEntity
    permits
        Customer,
        Product,
        ProductProperties,
        Purchase {
    SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier();
}
```

```
public record ProductProperties (
    @Id
    Long id,
    String propKey,
    String propValue
) implements SecuredEntity {
    @Override
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier() {
        return PRODUCT_PROPERTIES;
    }
}

public record Customer (
    @Id
    UUID id,
    String name
) implements SecuredEntity {
    @Override
    public SecuredEntityQualifier getQualifier() {
        return CUSTOMER;
    }
}
```



DOP & Hibernate

```
@Entity  
public non-sealed class Customer implements SecuredEntity {  
    . . .
```

```
@Entity  
public non-sealed class Product implements SecuredEntity {  
    . . .
```



Pattern Matching for instanceof

```
// Java 11
if (unknownVar instanceof Type) {
    var typedVar = (Type) unknownVar;
    System.out.println(typedVar);
}
```

```
// Java 17
if (unknownVar instanceof Type typedVar) {
    System.out.println(typedVar);
}
```

Pattern Matching for instanceof (entity fetcher v.2)

```
...  
if (entityDefinition instanceof LongIdEntityDefinition) {  
    var longIdEntityDefinition = (LongIdEntityDefinition) entityDefinition;  
    if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductDefinition) {  
        result = productRepository.findById(longIdEntityDefinition.getId());  
    }  
}
```



```
...  
if (entityDefinition instanceof LongIdEntityDefinition longIdEntityDefinition) {  
    if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductDefinition def) {  
        result = productRepository.findById(def.id());  
    }  
}
```



Yes!

```
Optional<? extends SecuredEntity> result;  
  
if (entityDefinition instanceof LongIdEntityDefinition longIdEntityDefinition ) {  
    if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductDefinition def) {  
        result = productRepository.findById(def.id());  
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof PurchaseDefinition def) {  
        result = purchaseRepository.findById(def.id());  
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductPropertiesDefinition def) {  
        result = productPropertiesIntegrationService .findById(def.id());  
    }  
    . . .
```





Yes, but...

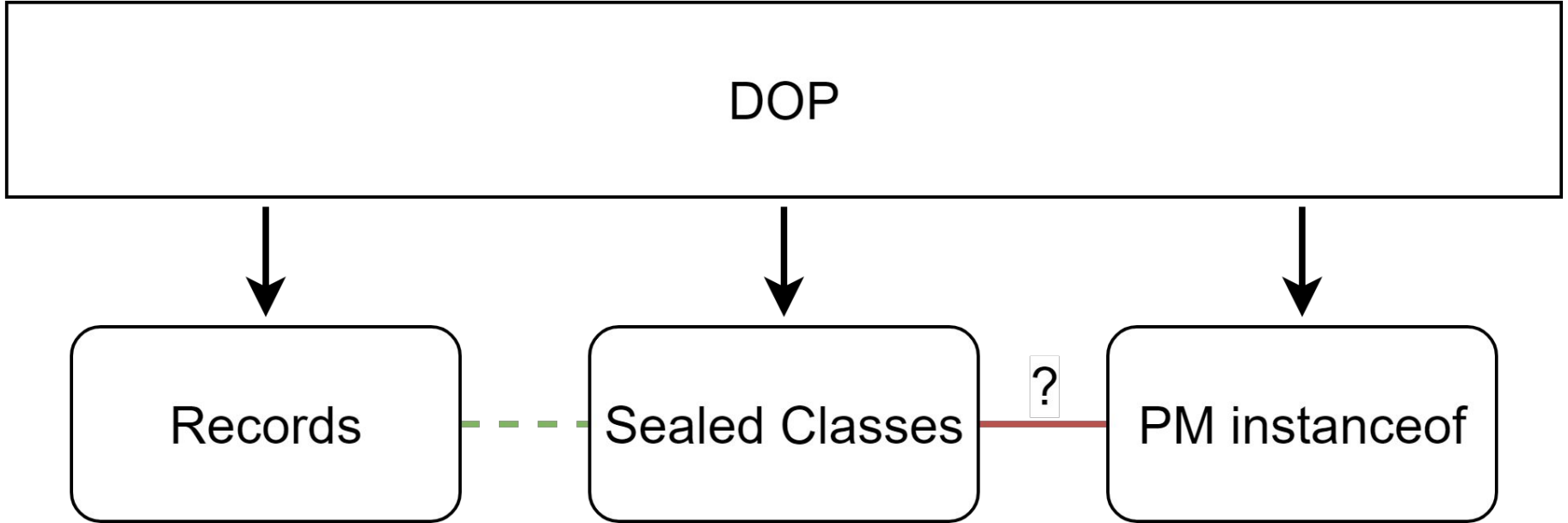
```
Optional<? extends SecuredEntity> result;  
  
if (entityDefinition instanceof LongIdEntityDefinition longIdEntityDefinition) {  
    if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductDefinition def) {  
        result = productRepository.findById(def.id());  
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof PurchaseDefinition def) {  
        result = purchaseRepository.findById(def.id());  
    } else if (longIdEntityDefinition instanceof ProductPropertiesDefinition def) {  
        result = productPropertiesIntegrationService.findById(def.id());  
    } else {  
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Absurdly impossible");  
    }  
} else if (entityDefinition instanceof UUIDEntityDefinition uuidEntityDef) {  
    if (uuidEntityDef instanceof CustomerDefinition def) {  
        result = customerRepository.findById(def.id());  
    } else {  
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Absurdly impossible");  
    }  
} else {  
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("Absurdly impossible");  
}  
return result;
```





Java 17 - Summary

In Java 17, it's already **possible** to build **inheritance-protected hierarchies**, but the **dispatch** mechanism for them is still **not as good** as we would like



Pattern Matching?



~~Pattern Matching~~





Data Type

A **data type** is the **allowable set of all values** of a named abstraction.

boolean: { true, false }

Boolean: { true, false, **null** }

short: { -32768, ... 32767 }

Short: { -32768, ... 32767 } U { **null** }



Algebraic(Composite) Data Types - ADT

Product type

Sum type



ADT

Product type

```
record type (  
    byte id,  
    boolean value  
) {}
```

$\text{type} = \{ \{ -2^7, \dots, 2^7-1 \} \times \{ \text{true}, \text{false} \} \} \cap \{ \text{null} \} =$
 $\{ (-2^7, \text{true}), (-2^7, \text{false}), \dots, (2^7-1, \text{false}), \text{null} \}$

Sum type



ADT

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Sum type

```
enum type{  
    VALUE1,  
    VALUE2  
}
```

$\text{type} = \{ \text{VALUE1}, \text{null} \} \cup \{ \text{VALUE2}, \text{null} \}$



ADT

Product type

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```
sealed interface type permits typeA, typeB {}
```

```
record typeA(byte id,boolean value)  
    implements type {}
```

```
record typeB(int value)  
    implements type {}
```

$\text{type} = \{ \{ \{ -2^7, \dots, 2^7-1 \} \times \{ \text{true}, \text{false} \}, \text{null} \} \cup$
 $\{ \{ -2^{31}, \dots, 2^{31}-1 \}, \text{null} \}$



Pattern Matching

Pattern Matching - mechanism for **checking** whether an **object matches** a **pattern**

A **pattern** can be either a **supertype** in the case of ADT sum or a **field type** in ADT product (in the case of deconstruction)



Pattern Matching

```
interface Type {}

class TypeA implements Type {
    private final byte id;
    private final boolean value;
    . . .
}

class TypeB implements Type {
    private final int value;
    . . .
}

// Java 11
String match(Type type) {
    if (type instanceof TypeA) {
        return "Its A: " + ((TypeA) type).fmt();
    } else if (type instanceof TypeB) {
        return "Its B: " + ((TypeB) type).fmt();
    }
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("???");
}
```



Pattern Matching

```
sealed interface Type
    permits TypeA, TypeB {}

record TypeA(
    byte id,
    boolean value
) implements Type {}

record TypeB(
    int value
) implements Type {}
```

```
// Java 17
String match(Type type) {
    if (type instanceof TypeA a) {
        return "Its A: " + a;
    } else if (type instanceof TypeB b) {
        return "Its B: " + b;
    }
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("???");
}
```



```
// Java 21
String match(Type type) {
    return switch (type) {
        case TypeA a -> "Its A: " + a;
        case TypeB b -> "Its B: " + b;
    }
}
```



Pattern Matching for switch (JEP 441)

```
String match(Type type) {  
    return switch (type) {  
        case TypeA a -> "Its A: " + a;  
        case TypeB b -> "Its B: " + b;  
    }  
}
```

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sealed interface Type permits TypeA, TypeB {}
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record TypeA(  
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record TypeB(  
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```

```
record TypeB(  
    int value  
) implements Type {}
```




Record Patterns

```
String match(Type type) {  
    return switch (type) {  
        case TypeA(byte id, var ignored) ->  
            "Its A! Id: " + id;  
  
        case TypeB b -> "Its B: " + b;  
    }  
}
```

1. Readability
2. No exceptions
3. Shortcut for casts
4. In place deconstruction

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Record Patterns

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    }  
}
```

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sealed interface Type permits TypeA, TypeB {}
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```
record TypeA(  
    ByteId id,  
    boolean value  
) implements Type {}
```

```
record ByteId(byte id) {}
```

```
record TypeB(  
    int value  
) implements Type {}
```

1. Readability
2. No exceptions
3. Shortcut for casts
4. In place deconstruction
5. Nested in place deconstruction



Pattern Matching for switch

```
String match(Type type) {  
    return switch (type) {  
        case TypeA(ByteId(byte id), var ign)  
            when id >= 100 -> "Id (>=100): " + id;  
  
        case TypeA(ByteId(byte id), var ign)  
            when id < 100 -> "Id (<100): " + id;  
  
        case TypeA ign -> "null => no id checks";  
  
        case TypeB b -> "Its B: " + b;  
    };  
}
```

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6. Guards

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```

```
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Java 21

- Pattern Matching for switch (JEP 441)
- Record Patterns (JEP 440)



Entity fetcher v.3

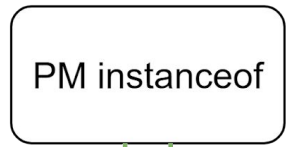
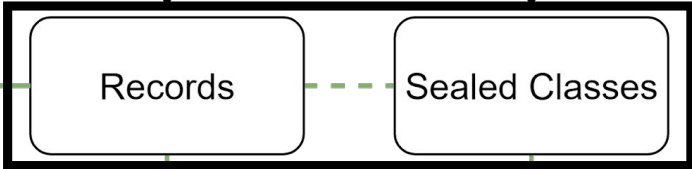
```
Optional<? extends SecuredEntity> findEntityByDefinition(  
    EntityDefinition<?> entityDefinition  
) {  
    return switch (entityDefinition) {  
        case LongIdEntityDefinition longIdEntityDefinition -> {  
            yield switch (longIdEntityDefinition) {  
                case ProductDefinition(Long id) -> productRepository.findById(id);  
                case PurchaseDefinition(Long id) -> purchaseRepository.findById(id);  
                case ProductPropertiesDefinition(Long id) -> productPropsService.getById(id);  
            };  
        }  
  
        case CustomerDefinition(UUID id) -> customerRepository.findById(id);  
    };  
}
```



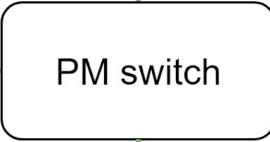
Java 11



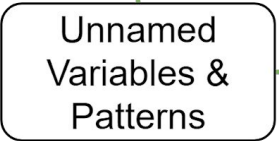
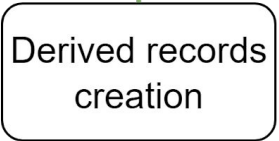
Algebraic Data Types



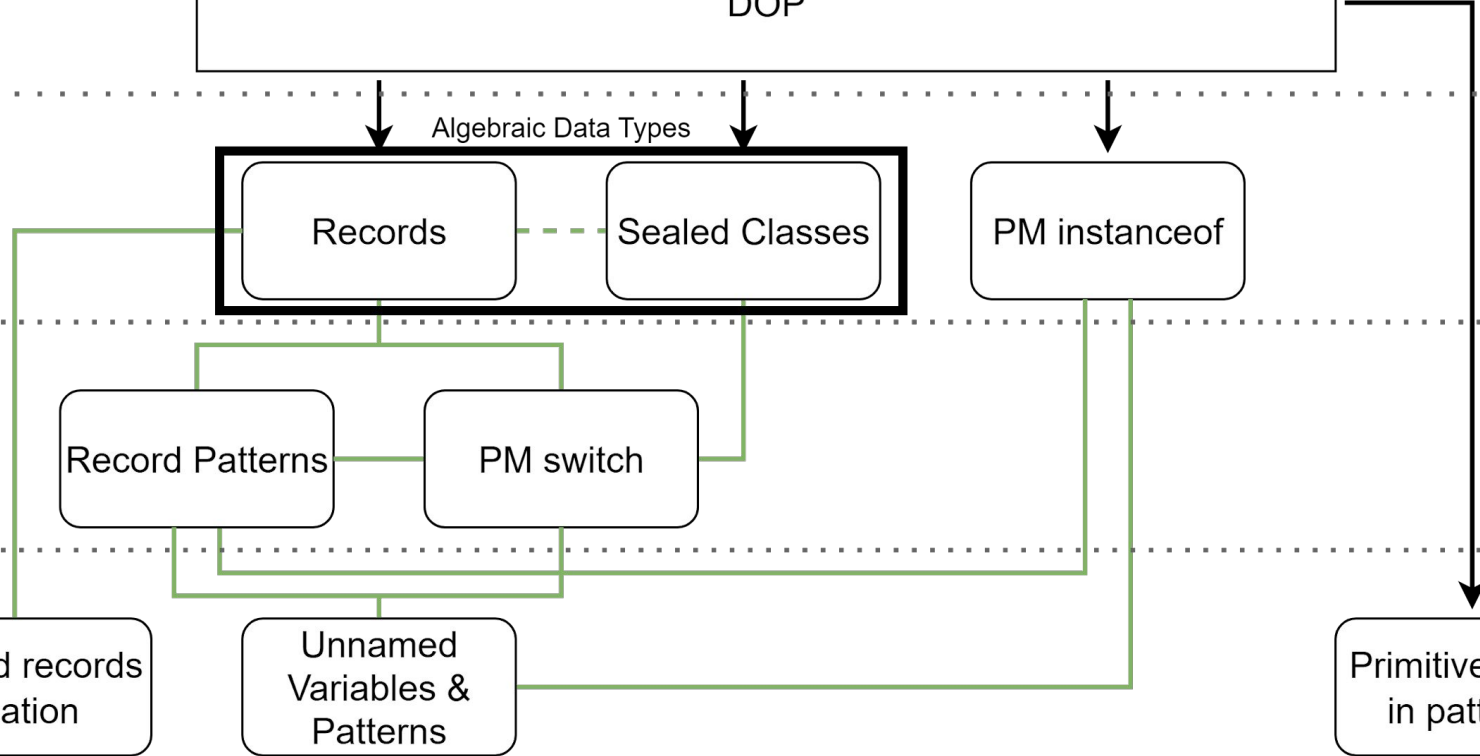
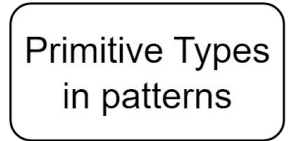
Java 17



Java 21



Java 21+





Unnamed Patterns & Variables

```
Stream<T> processEntityTreeToStream(SecuredEntity entity, Function<SecuredEntity, T> mapper) {
    var result = Stream.of(mapper.apply(entity));
    switch (entity) {
        case Purchase(var ignored, var products, var customerRef) -> result = Stream.concat(
            result, Stream.concat(
                products.stream()
                    .flatMap(ref -> productRepository.findById(ref.id()).stream())
                    .flatMap(p -> processEntityTreeToStream(p, mapper)),
                processEntityTreeToStream(
                    customerRepository.findById(customerRef.getId()).orElseThrow(),
                    mapper
                )
            )
        );
        case Product(Long id, var ignored) -> result = Stream.concat(
            . . .
        );
        case Customer ignored -> { }
        case ProductProperties ignored -> { }
    }
    return result;
}
```




Unnamed Patterns & Variables

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                products.stream()
                    .flatMap(ref -> productRepository.findById(ref.id()).stream())
                    .flatMap(p -> processEntityTreeToStream(p, mapper)),
                processEntityTreeToStream(
                    customerRepository.findById(customerRef.getId()).orElseThrow(),
                    mapper
                )
            )
        );
        case Product(Long id, var _) -> result = Stream.concat(
            . . .
        );
        case Customer _, ProductProperties _ -> { }
    }
    return result;
}
```



Derived Record Creation / Primitive types in patterns



Derived Record Creation

```
record Response(int code, String body) { }

var basicResponse = new Response(400, "Client error;");

// JEP 468
Response notFoundResponse = basicResponse with {
    code += 4;
    body += " Not Found;";
};
```



Derived Record Creation

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// JEP 468
Response notFoundResponse = basicResponse with {
    code += 4;
    body += " Not Found;";
};

// Java 21
Response notFoundResponse = switch (basicResponse) {
    case Response(var code, var body) -> {
        code += 4;
        body += " Not Found;";
        yield new Response(code, body);
    }
};
```



Derived Record Creation

Goals:

1. Provide a **concise means** to create **new record** values derived **from existing record** values.
2. Streamline the declaration of record classes by eliminating the need to provide explicit wither methods, which are the immutable analogue of setter methods.



Primitive Types in Patterns, instanceof, and switch

- Enable uniform data exploration by allowing type patterns for all types, whether primitive or reference.
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- Allow pattern matching to use primitive type patterns in both nested and top-level contexts.
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- Following the enhancements to **switch** in Java 5 (enum switch) and Java 7 (string switch), allow switch to process **values of any primitive type.**



Primitive Types in Patterns, instanceof, and switch

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sealed interface Type permits TypeA, TypeB {}
```

```
record TypeA(ByteId id, boolean value) implements Type {}
```

```
record ByteId(byte id) {}
```

```
record TypeB(int value) implements Type {}
```

```
String match(Type type) {
```

```
    return switch (type) {
```

```
        case TypeA(ByteId(int id), var _) when id >= 10 -> "Id (>=10):" + id;
```

```
        case TypeA(ByteId(int id), var _) when id < 10 -> "Id (<10)";
```

```
        case TypeB b -> "Its B: " + b;
```

```
    };
```

```
}
```




Primitive Types in Patterns, instanceof, and switch

```
// Java 17
switch (x.getStatus()) {
    case 0 -> "okay";
    case 1 -> "warning";
    case 2 -> "error";
    default -> "unknown status: " + x.getStatus();
}
```

```
// Java 23 ( preview )
switch (x.getStatus()) {
    case 0 -> "okay";
    case 1 -> "warning";
    case 2 -> "error";
    case int i -> "unknown status: " + i;
}
```



Common cases

State manipulation with fixed data structure



Common cases

State manipulation with **fixed** data **structure**

- State machines

Common cases

State manipulation with **fixed** data **structure**

- State machines
- CQRS



Simon Martinelli,
“CQRS and DOP with modern Java”,
Java aktuell, 2024, pp. 70-74



Common cases

State manipulation with **fixed** data **structure**

- State machines
- CQRS
- Stream processing



Note - DOP usage in different Java LTS versions

Java 11

Java 17

Java 21



Note - DOP usage in different Java LTS versions

Java 11

No

Java 17

Possible

Java 21

Good



Summary

1. We traced the **evolution** of Java 11 - Java 21+ in **context of DOP**
2. We reviewed how Brian Goetz's mental model of DOP **evolved from version 1.0** and the ideas it contained **to version 1.1**, as formulated by Nicolai Parlog
3. We touched on the **theoretical foundations** of DOP
4. **We confirmed in practice that DOP principles can help with making our code more laconic and secure**



Thank you!

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