



Stone Paper Scissors - J version

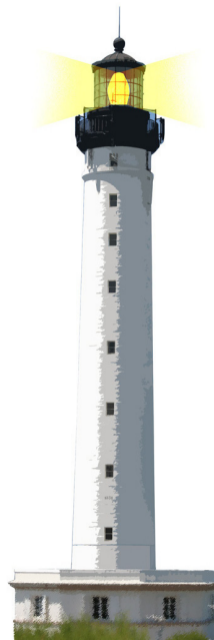
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Let us start with a test

```
@Test
public void testStoneVsStone() {
    assertEquals(new Stone().play(new Stone()), "draw");
}
```

Now the Stone class...

```
class Stone {  
    public String play (Stone h){  
        return ...  
    }  
}
```

A hint

No there is no need for conditionals.



A second hint

- Sending a message is making a choice
- When writing a method I know the class of the message receiver. Dull not quite!



So Stone...

```
class Stone {  
    public String play (Stone h){  
        return h.playAgainstStone(this);  
    }  
}
```

Now playAgainstStone ...

```
class Stone {  
    public String play (Stone h){  
        return h.playAgainstStone(this);  
    }  
    public String playAgainstStone(Stone s){  
        return ...  
    }  
}
```

Stone...

```
class Stone {  
    public String play (Stone h){  
        return h.playAgainstStone(this);  
    }  
    public String playAgainstStone(Stone s){  
        return "draw";  
    }  
}
```


Another test...

```
@Test
public void testStoneVsPaper() {
    assertEquals(new Stone().play(new Paper()), "paper");
}
```

Paper...

```
class Paper {  
    public String playAgainstStone(Paper s){  
        return "paper";  
    }  
}
```

Well this is Java, ...

- The previous code cannot compile because Paper and Stone are unrelated
- All the types should be known
- All the methods should be reachable statically

Two solutions:

- Common superclass
- Using interfaces



Defining and using an interface

```
interface IHand {  
    String play (IHand h);  
    String playAgainstStone (IHand s);  
    String playAgainstScissors (IHand s);  
    String playAgainstPaper (IHand p);  
}
```

Stone...

```
class Stone {  
    public String play (IHand h){  
        return h.playAgainstStone(this);  
    }  
    public String playAgainstStone(IHand s){  
        return "draw";  
    }  
}
```

Full Solution: Stone

```
class Stone implements IHand {  
    public String play (IHand h){  
        return h.playAgainstStone(this);  
    }  
    public String playAgainstStone(IHand s){ return "draw";}   
    public String playAgainstScissors(IHand s){ return "stone";}   
    public String playAgainstPaper(IHand s){ return "paper";}}
```

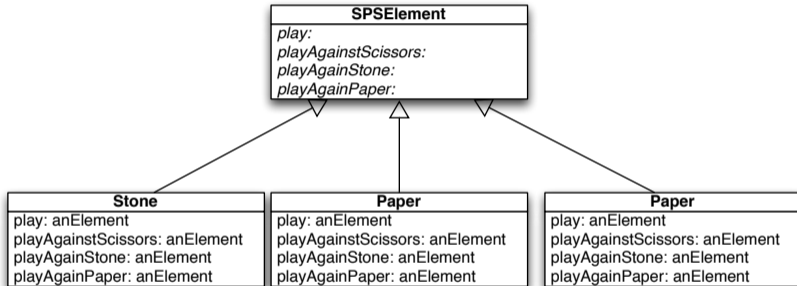
Full Solution: Scissors

```
class Scissors implements IHand {  
    public String play (IHand h){  
        return h.playAgainstScissors(this);  
    }  
    public String playAgainstStone(IHand s){ return "stone";}  
    public String playAgainstScissors(IHand s){ return "draw";}  
    public String playAgainstPaper(IHand s){ return "scissors";}  
}
```

Full Solution: Paper

```
class Paper implements IHand {  
    public String play (IHand h){  
        return h.playAgainstPaper(this);  
    }  
    public String playAgainstStone(IHand s){ return "paper";}  
    public String playAgainstScissors(IHand s){ return "scissors";}  
    public String playAgainstPaper(IHand s){ return "draw";}  
}
```


Another possible solution



Remark

In this example we do not need to pass the argument during the double dispatch.
Usually double dispatch

- uses arguments
- is between more classes (document elements and operations)



Conclusion

- Powerful
- Modular
- Just sending an extra message to an argument and using late binding



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