

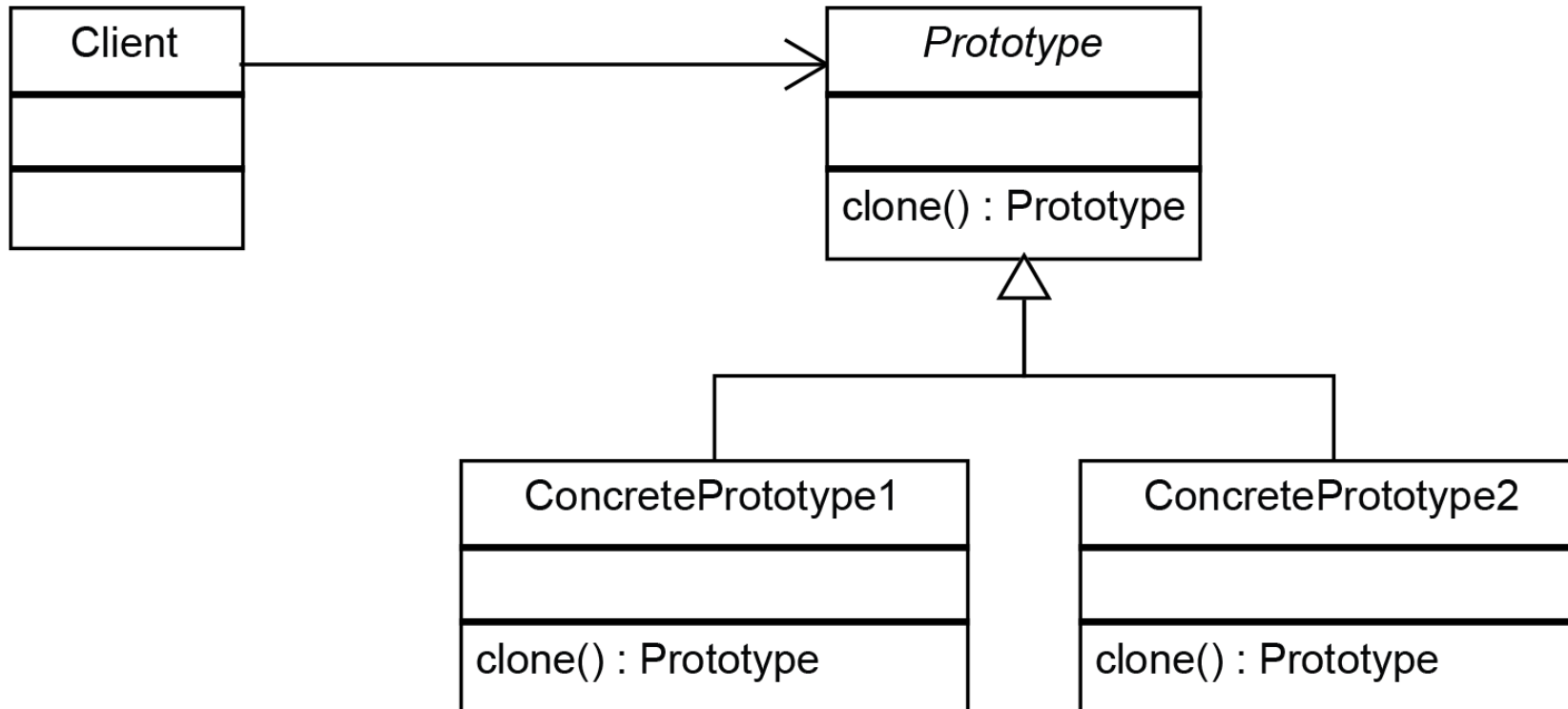
Prototype

Prototype is a creational design pattern that allows cloning objects, even complex ones, without coupling to their specific classes.

All prototype classes should have a common interface that makes it possible to copy objects even if their concrete classes are unknown.



Prototype



Cloneable

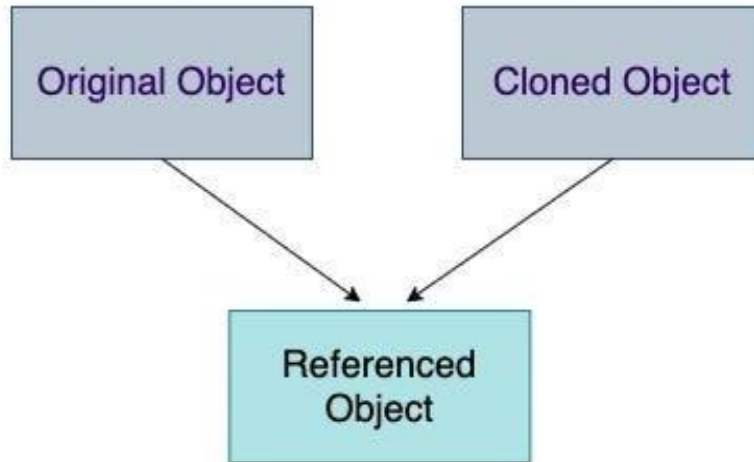
"If a class implements Cloneable, Object's clone method returns a field-by-field copy of the object; otherwise it throws CloneNotSupportedException. This is a highly atypical use of interfaces and not one to be emulated." - J.Bloch "Effective Java"

```
class Person implements Cloneable { // Step 1
    private String name;
    private int income;
    private City city; // deep copy
    private Country country; // shallow copy

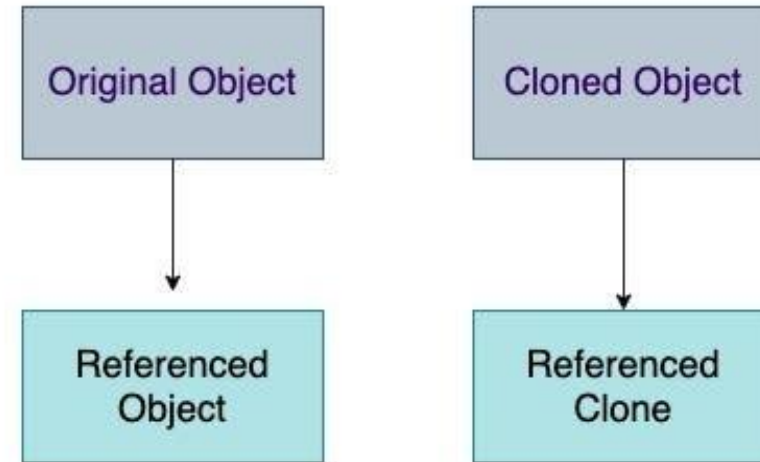
    public Person clone() throws CloneNotSupportedException { // Step 2
        Person clonedObj = (Person) super.clone(); // Step 3
        clonedObj.city = this.city.clone(); // Making deep copy of city
        return clonedObj;
    }
}
```

Shallow and Deep copy

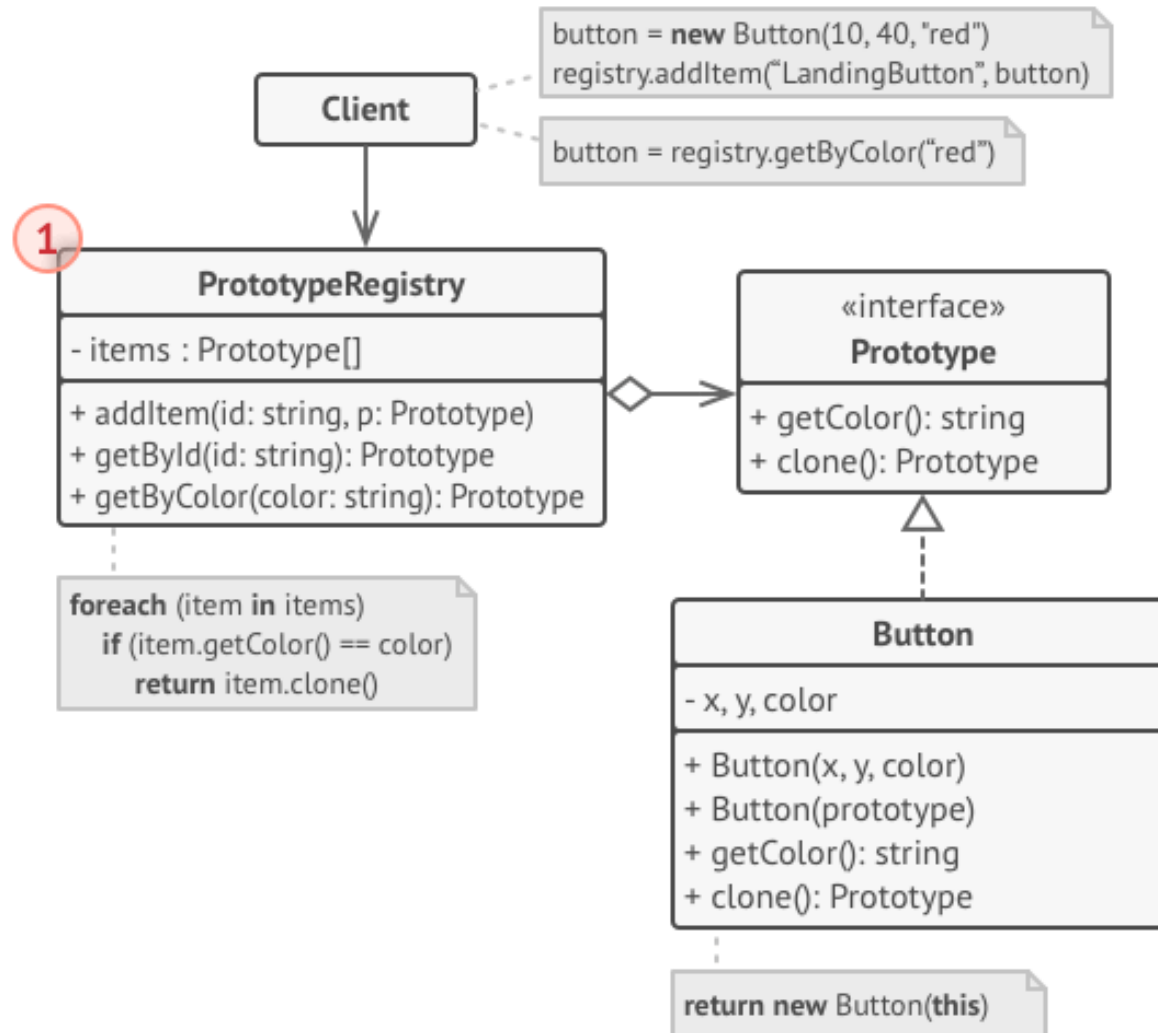
Shallow Clone



Deep Clone

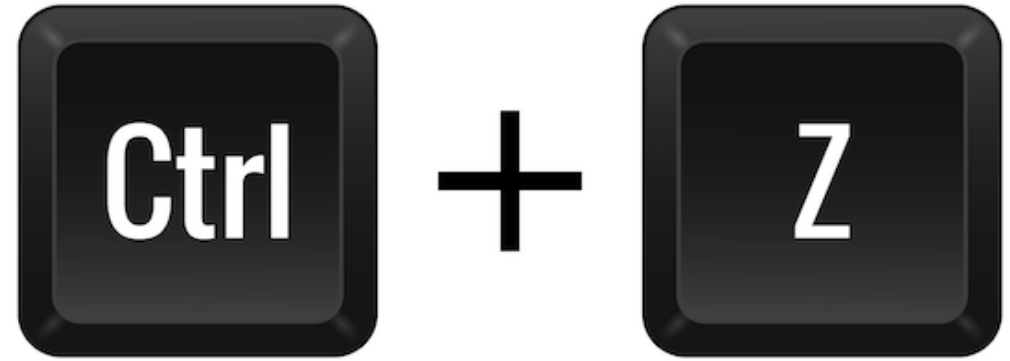


Prototype Registry



Memento

Memento is a behavioral design pattern that allows making snapshots of an object's state and restoring it in future.



Memento

