

Abstract Factory Design Pattern

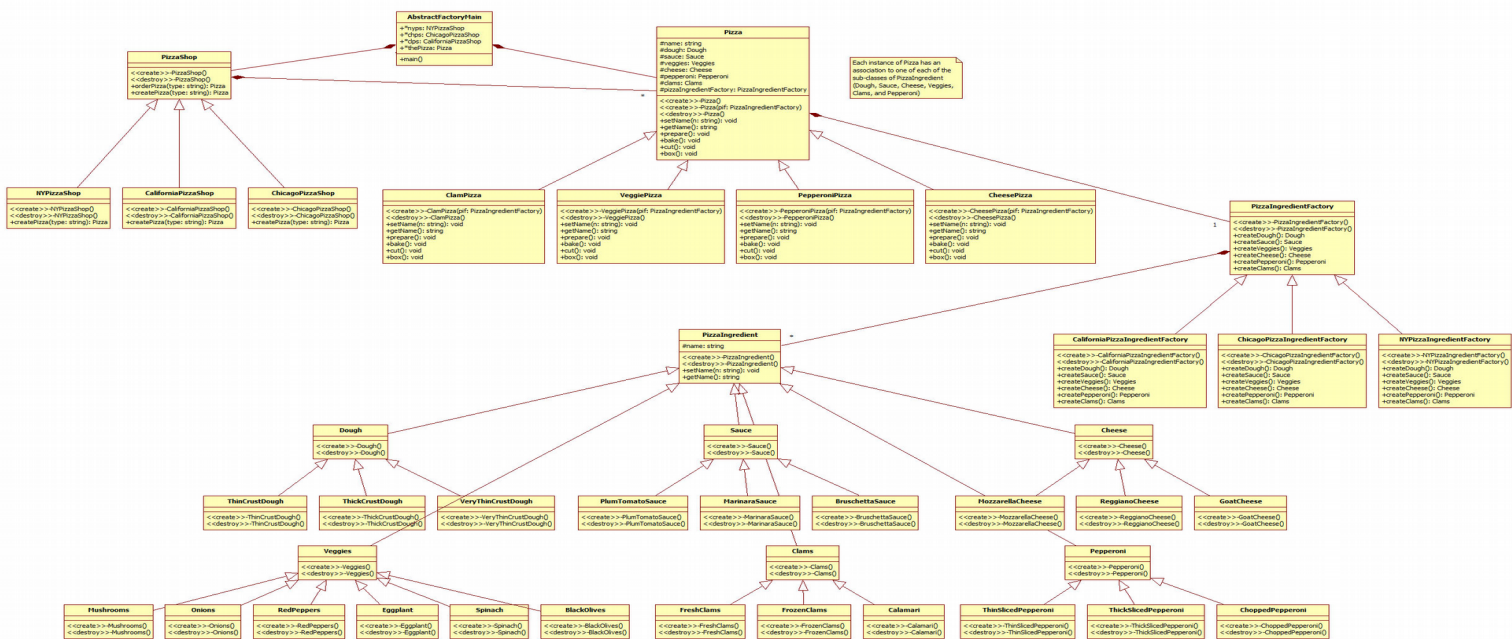
Provides an interface for creating families of related or dependent objects without specifying their concrete classes.

GoF Statement:

Category:

Creational

UML Diagram:



Description of the Demonstration:

There are three subclasses of `PizzaShop` (`NYPizzaShop`, `ChicagoPizzaShop`, and `CaliforniaPizzaShop`) each of which overrides the virtual function `PizzaShop::createPizza`. There are four types or sub-classes of `Pizza`; `CheesePizza`, `ClamPizza`, `VeggiePizza`, and `PepperoniPizza`. Each type of pizza consists of up to six `PizzaIngredient`s: `Dough`, `Sauce`, `Cheese`, `Veggies`, `Clams` and `Pepperoni`. But, each regional pizza shop uses different versions (sub-classes) of these five ingredients. To handle creation of pizzas specific to the region an instance of `Pizza`, whether `CheesePizza`, `ClamPizza`, `VeggiePizza` or `PepperoniPizza` is given a pointer to an instance of the appropriate regional sub-class of the parent `PizzaIngredientFactory` which is the `AbstractFactory`. This `AbstractFactory` class defines the standard interface functions `createDough`, `createSauce`, `createCheese`, `createVeggies`, `createClams`, and `createPepperoni`. It is the sub-class of `PizzaIngredientFactory` that handles the actual creation of the concrete `Pizza` class with the correct regional style ingredients appropriate to its' regional `PizzaShop`.