

Design Patterns - Python OOP Refresher

Inheritance: Interfaces

Let's talk about contracts.

1. A contract is like a **promise** that you will provide some specific behaviour. In classes this means that you **'promise'** to provide some functionality.
2. One way to create a contract is through a concept of **Interface**.
 - a. In **Python** we do not have a strict interface.
 - b. We use an abstract class with no implementation.

```
# imports needed for abstract classes
from abc import ABC, abstractmethod

# interface contract. Children will have to implement
# all of the abstract methods. In an interface methods
# have no implementations so we use 'pass'
class MyInterface(ABC):
    @abstractmethod
    def my_method(self):
        pass

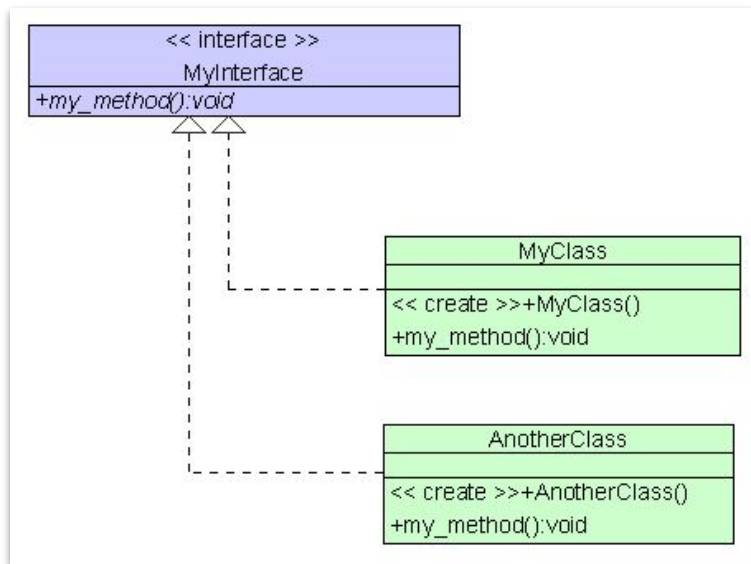
class MyClass(MyInterface):
    def my_method(self):
        print("my_method implementation in MyClass")

class AnotherClass(MyInterface):
    def my_method(self):
        print("my_method implementation in AnotherClass")

my_obj = MyClass()
my_obj.my_method()

another_obj = AnotherClass()
another_obj.my_method()
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How do we enforce contracts?

We can use type hinting in python to enforce a contract.

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# Methods have no implementations: use 'pass'
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    @abstractmethod
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        pass
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class MyClass(MyInterface):
    def my_method(self):
        print("my_method implementation in MyClass")

class NotImplementingInterface:
    def some_method(self):
        print("I am not implementing MyInterface")

# This method expects to be passed an object that
# implements the MyInterface methods.
def process_my_interface(obj: MyInterface):
    obj.my_method()
    print("Correct implementation of MyInterface")

my_obj = MyClass()
process_my_interface(my_obj)

bad_interface = NotImplementingInterface()
process_my_interface(bad_interface)
```

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Inheritance: Abstract Classes

Let's talk about partially implemented contracts which is about re-use.

1. In many cases you have actual functionality not just a signature but actual functionality behind the signature that you would like to have all child classes inherit.
2. This is where you would use an Abstract class.
 - a. You can add specific implemented methods
 - b. Specific constants or variables.

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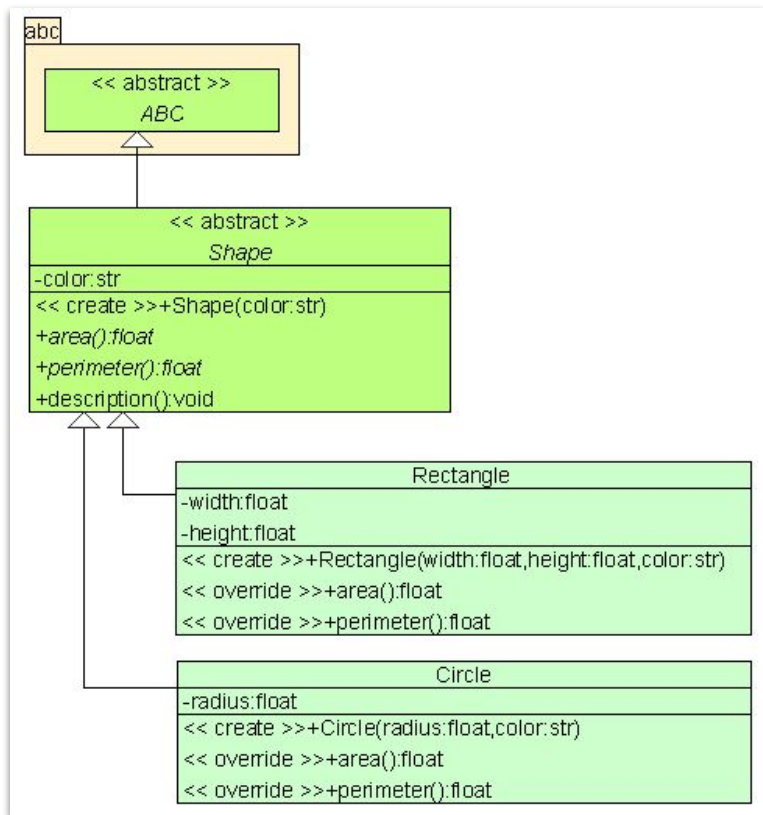
# Define an abstract class 'Shape'
class Shape(ABC):
    def __init__(self, color):
        self.color = color

    @abstractmethod
    def area(self):
        pass

    @abstractmethod
    def perimeter(self):
        Pass

    def description(self):
        print(f"{self.__class__.__name__} has the color: {self.color}")
```

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Inheritance: Abstract classes

Abstract classes can re-implement methods or keep the existing methods.

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    def description(self):
        print(f"{self.__class__.__name__} has the color: {self.color}")
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```
# Define a concrete class 'Rectangle' that
# inherits from 'Shape'
class Rectangle(Shape):
    def __init__(self, width, height, color):
        super().__init__(color)
        self.width = width
        self.height = height

    def area(self):
        return self.width * self.height

    def perimeter(self):
        return 2 * (self.width + self.height)

# Create instances of concrete classes and use
# their methods
rectangle = Rectangle(4, 5, "red")
print(f"Rectangle area: {rectangle.area()}")
print(f"Rectangle perimeter: {rectangle.perimeter()}")
print(f"Rectangle color: {rectangle.color}")
rectangle.description()
```