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# Design Patterns *in* Modern Perl

# **Modern Perl?**

**v5.38 - Jul 2023**

**v5.40 - Jun 2024**

**v5.42 - Jul 2025**

# Latest Release

**v5.43.5 - Nov 2025**

<https://metacpan.org/release/CONTRA/perl-5.43.5/view/pod/perldelta.pod>

## Example experimental named parameters

```
#!/usr/bin/env perl

use v5.43;
use experimental 'signature_named_parameters';

sub hello(:$name = "Bob") {
    return "Hello $name!!";
}

say hello();          # Hello Bob!!
say hello(name => "Joe"); # Hello Joe!!
```

# 2022

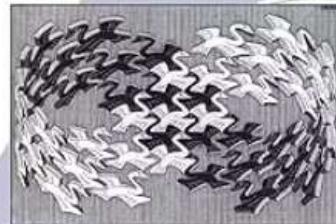
<https://github.com/manwar/perl-cool-snippets>  
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## Gang of Four Book

# Design Patterns

Elements of Reusable  
Object-Oriented Software

Erich Gamma  
Richard Helm  
Ralph Johnson  
John Vlissides



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Foreword by Grady Booch



<b>Creational Patterns</b>	<b>Structural Patterns</b>	<b>Behavioural Patterns</b>
Abstract Factory	Adapter	Chain of Responsibility
Builder	Bridge	Command
Factory Method	Composite	Interpreter
Prototype	Filter	Iterator
Singleton	Decorator	Mediator
	Facade	Memento
	Proxy	Observer
		State
		Strategy
		Template
		Visitor

# 2021

<https://github.com/manwar/Design-Patterns>  
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### Main Features

Used Moo as base OOP framework

Implemented 17 out of 23 design patterns (pure code)

**What is missing?**

Raw bless-based class implementation

Also Object::Pad implementation

# Sep 2025

<https://theweeklychallenge.org/blog/design-pattern-factory>  
[ Moo, Object::Pad, experimental class ]

OOP Framework	Inheritance	Role/Interface
Raw bless-based class	✓	✗
Moo	✓	✓
Object::Pad	✓	✓
Experimental class feature	✓	✗

## Design Patterns without Role/Interface

Prototype

Singleton

Composite

Memento

## What's the blocker?

Missing support for role in raw bless-based class

Also in the experimental class feature (v5.42+)

## What's the solution?

Add support for role in raw bless-based class

How about the same in experimental class feature (v5.42+) ?  
(beyond my capacity)

Fallback to Object::Pad, easy choice.

# Class::Mite

<https://github.com/manwar/Class-Mite>



Class

Role

Class::Clone

Class::More

# Inheritance using Class from Class::Mite

```
package Parent;

use Class;

sub location {
    my ($self) = @_;
    return $self->{name}, " lives in London!\n";
}

package Child;

use Class;
extends qw/Parent/;

package main;
print Child->new(name => 'Tom')->location;
```

# Interface using Role from Class::Mite

```
package Animal;

use Role;
requires qw/speak/;

package Dog;

use Class;
with qw/Animal/;

sub speak {
    my ($self) = @_;
    return $self->{name}, " bark!\n";
}

package main;
print Dog->new(name => 'Tommy')->speak;
```

# Comparative Analysis

<https://theweeklychallenge.org/blog/bless-vs-class-mite>

# Singleton Design Pattern

**Why?**

**No role needed.**

**Single class is enough for demo.**

# Singleton Design Pattern using raw bless

```
package Singleton;

our $INSTANCE;
sub instance { $INSTANCE // = bless { count => 0 }, __PACKAGE__; }
sub counter { ++$^H->{count}; }

package main;
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 1
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 2
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 3
```

# Singleton Design Pattern using Class::Mite

```
package Singleton;

use Class;
my $instance;
sub BUILD { shift->{count} // 0 }
sub instance { $instance // __PACKAGE__->new }
sub counter { ++shift->{count} }

package main;

print Singleton->instance->counter; # 1
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 2
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 3
```

# Singleton Design Pattern using Moo and MooX::Singleton

```
package Singleton;

use Moo;
with qw/MooX::Singleton/;

has 'count' => (is => 'rw', default => sub { 0 });

sub counter($self) {
    $self->count($self->count + 1)
}

package main;

print Singleton->instance->counter; # 1
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 2
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 3
```

# Singleton Design Pattern using experimental class feature

```
use v5.42;
use experimental qw/class/;

class Singleton {
    field $count = 0;
    state $instance;

    sub instance { $instance // __PACKAGE__->new }
    method counter { ++$count }
}

package main;

print Singleton->instance->counter; # 1
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 2
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 3
```

# Singleton Design Pattern using Object::Pad

```
use Object::Pad;

class Singleton {
    my $instance;
    field $count :reader :writer = 0;

    method instance :common {
        $instance //=_PACKAGE_>new;
    }

    method counter {
        $self->set_count($self->count + 1);
        return $self->count;
    }
}

package main;
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 1
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 2
print Singleton->instance->counter; # 3
```

# Personal Blogs

<https://theweeklychallenge.org/blogs>

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