

Abstraction in OOP

Abstraction simplifies complex systems by focusing on essential properties and behaviors while ignoring unnecessary details. It allows developers to create models that represent real-world entities or concepts without getting bogged down by every intricate aspect. Abstraction involves creating abstract classes or interfaces that define a blueprint for concrete classes, providing a high-level overview without specifying implementation details.

Example

Consider the concept of a Shape in a drawing application. Abstracting the idea of a shape allows us to define common properties and behaviors shared by various shapes without worrying about specific details for each shape. In this example, we'll create an abstract Shape class in TypeScript:

```
abstract class Shape {
    protected color: string;

    constructor(color: string) {
        this.color = color;
    }

    // Abstract method for calculating area
    abstract calculateArea(): number;

    // Common method to display information
    displayInfo(): void {
        console.log(`This ${this.color} shape has an area of
        ${this.calculateArea()} square units.`);
    }
}
```

In this abstract Shape class, we define a property `color` and an abstract method `calculateArea()`. The `displayInfo()` method provides a common way to display information about any shape. Now, let's create concrete classes for specific shapes:

```
class Circle extends Shape {  
    constructor(color: string, private radius: number) {  
        super(color);  
    }  
  
    calculateArea(): number {  
        return Math.PI * this.radius ** 2;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Rectangle extends Shape {  
    constructor(color: string, private width: number,  
                private height: number) {  
        super(color);  
    }  
  
    calculateArea(): number {  
        return this.width * this.height;  
    }  
}
```

In these concrete classes (Circle and Rectangle), we implement the `calculateArea()` method specific to each shape. By abstracting the common properties and methods into the Shape class, we've simplified the representation of shapes, focusing on their essential characteristics. Abstraction facilitates code organization, reuse, and the creation of easily extendable systems.
