

# Design Of Pen

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Code and Notes are @ [https://github.com/nishithjain/Design\\_Pen](https://github.com/nishithjain/Design_Pen)

# 1. Design a Pen

## Overview

- What classifies as a Pen? Are we designing digital pen or normal pen?
  - Anything that can write on paper is a Pen.

## Step 1: Gather the Requirements

- What type of pen are we designing? Ball Point Pen, Fountain, Gel
- Some pen will have refill and some pen will not have refill.
- Fountain pen will directly have ink.
- Ink can be of different colors.
- Every pen will have brand, price.
- Some pens, we will be able to refill and for some pens we will not be able to refill.
- Refill has Nib, Fountain pen will directly have the Nib.
- Nib can be of different radius.
- Ink can be of different types. (Sparkel, fragrance, waterproof)

## Step 2: Clarify Requirements

- Ask questions on behaviors/edge cases/future modification.

## Step 3: Identify the nouns

- Identify nouns in the requirement. 90% of the nouns in the requirement will be our classes.
- Nouns identified in the above requirements are
  - Pen
  - Ink
  - Nib
  - Refill
  - Color
  - Type (Ink, Nib, Pen)
  - Brand

## Step 4: Visualize Pen

- Visualize Pen and create classes from outside to inside.
- Often entities for which there are **multiple types** are there, these entities are defined as **abstract** class with a type attribute.
  - This type helps create factory.
- Pen is the out most part.
- Pen contains Refill. So, create a class for Refill next.
- Refill contains Nib. So, create a class for Nib.
- Refill contains Ink. So, create a class for Ink.

### Step 5: Create a class diagram

- Expectation is to show classes for core entities in the system.
- No need to mention controller classes, services, repositories.
- We need to mention use of design patterns.
- Write() -> Pens can write in different ways.
  - Multiple ways to implement write() -> Strategy Design Pattern
- Based on input, create an object of the Pen -> Factory Design Pattern.



