OBJECT ORIENTED DESIGN PATTERNS 2 EX-06

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Flyweight Design Pattern

- ▶ Flyweight pattern is used when there is a need to create a large number of objects of an almost similar nature. The large number of object consume a large amount of memory and the Flyweight design pattern provides a solution for reducing the load on memory by sharing objects.
- ▶ Flyweight pattern is primarily used to reduce the number of objects created, to decrease memory footprint and increase performance.
- Flyweight pattern try to reuse already existing similar kind objects by storing them and creates new object when no matching object is found.

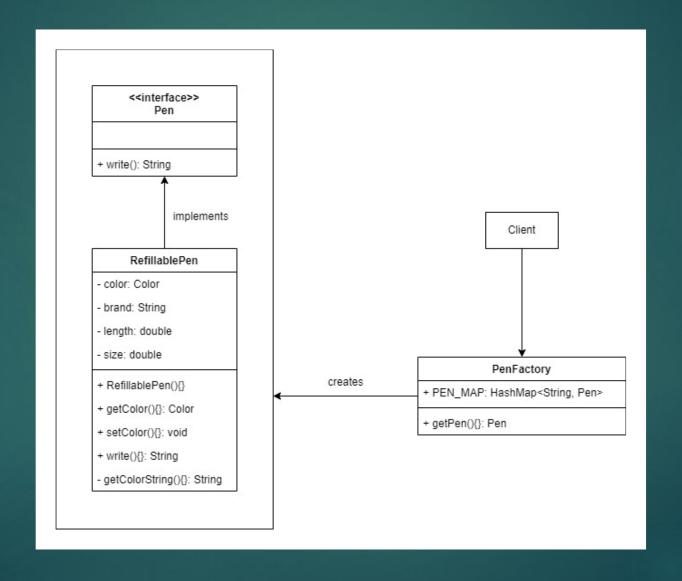
States of Flyweight Design Pattern

- ▶ Intrinsic: Intrinsic states are things that are constant and are stored in the memory.
- ▶ Extrinsic: Extrinsic states are things that are not constant and need to be calculated on the fly, and are therefore not stored in the memory.

Scenario

▶ Suppose you have a pen that can exist with or without a refill. Write a program to demonstrate the drawing process by changing the pen color.

UML Diagram



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