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# Design Patterns - Flyweight Pattern

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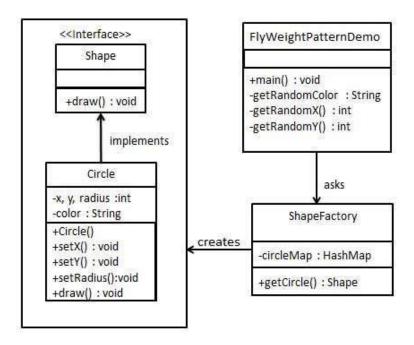
Flyweight pattern tries to reuse already existing similar kind objects by storing them and create new object when no matching object is found. We will demonstrate this pattern by drawing 2 circles of different locations but we will create only 5 objects. Only 5 colors are available so color property is used to check already existing *Circle* objects.

## **Implementation**

We are going to create a *Shape* interface and concrete class *Circle* implementing the *Shap* interface. A factory class *ShapeFactory* is defined as a next step.

ShapeFactory has a HashMap of Circle having key as color of the Circle object. Whenever a reque comes to create a circle of particular color to ShapeFactory, it checks the circle object in i HashMap, if object of Circle found, that object is returned otherwise a new object is created, store in hashmap for future use, and returned to client.

FlyWeightPatternDemo, our demo class, will use ShapeFactory to get a Shape object. It will pas information (red / green / blue/ black / white) to ShapeFactory to get the circle of desired color needs.



## Step 1

Create an interface.

Shape.java

```
public interface Shape {
  void draw();
```



Create concrete class implementing the same interface.

### Circle.java

```
public class Circle implements Shape {
   private String color;
   private int x;
   private int y;
   private int radius;
   public Circle(String color){
      this.color = color;
   public void setX(int x) {
      this.x = x;
   public void setY(int y) {
      this.y = y;
   public void setRadius(int radius) {
      this.radius = radius;
   @Override
   public void draw() {
      System.out.println("Circle: Draw() [Color : " + color + ", x : " + x + ", y : " + y + ", radius : " + radius )
}
```

## Step 3

Create a factory to generate object of concrete class based on given information.

#### ShapeFactory.java

```
import java.util.HashMap;

public class ShapeFactory {
    private static final HashMap<String, Shape> circleMap = new HashMap();

public static Shape getCircle(String color) {
    Circle circle = (Circle)circleMap.get(color);

    if(circle == null) {
        circle = new Circle(color);
        circleMap.put(color, circle);
        System.out.println("Creating circle of color : " + color);
    }
    return circle;
}
```

## Step 4



```
public class FlyweightPatternDemo {
   private static final String colors[] = { "Red", "Green", "Blue", "White", "Black" };
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      for(int i=0; i < 20; ++i) {</pre>
         Circle circle = (Circle)ShapeFactory.getCircle(getRandomColor());
         circle.setX(getRandomX());
         circle.setY(getRandomY());
         circle.setRadius(100);
         circle.draw();
   private static String getRandomColor() {
      return colors[(int)(Math.random()*colors.length)];
   private static int getRandomX() {
      return (int)(Math.random()*100 );
   private static int getRandomY() {
      return (int)(Math.random()*100);
}
```

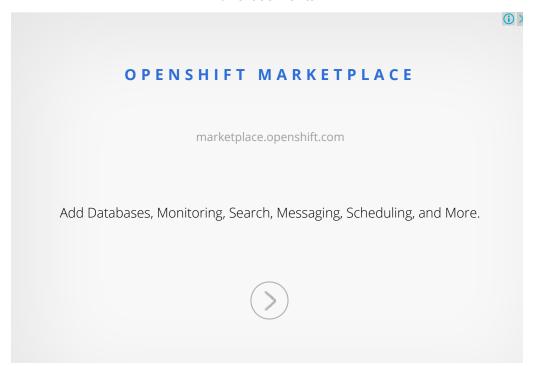
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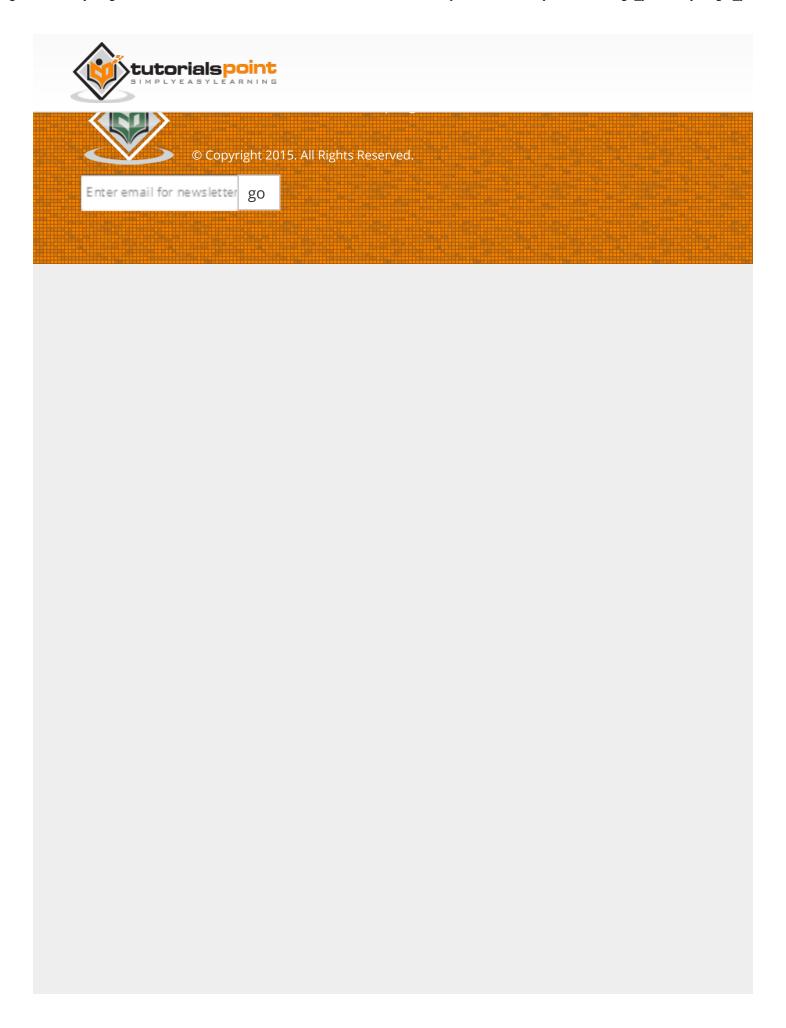
Verify the output.

```
Creating circle of color: Black
Circle: Draw() [Color: Black, x: 36, y:71, radius:100
Creating circle of color : Green
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 27, y:27, radius:100
Creating circle of color: White
Circle: Draw() [Color: White, x: 64, y:10, radius:100]
Creating circle of color : Red
Circle: Draw() [Color: Red, x: 15, y:44, radius:100]
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 19, y:10, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 94, y:32, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: White, x: 69, y:98, radius:100
Creating circle of color : Blue
Circle: Draw() [Color: Blue, x: 13, y:4, radius:100]
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 21, y:21, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Blue, x: 55, y:86, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: White, x: 90, y:70, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 78, y:3, radius:100]
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 64, y:89, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Blue, x: 3, y:91, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Blue, x: 62, y:82, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 97, y:61, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 86, y:12, radius:100
Circle: Draw() [Color: Green, x: 38, y:93, radius:100
```



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