4. Class Diagrams

4.1 Examples for Static Structure Diagrams

- To follow: examples are taken from the UML notation guide
- Static structure diagrams include class diagrams and object diagrams

Static structure diagram (3-20)

Window

Window

size: Area

visibility: Boolean

display () hide ()

Window

{abstract, author=Joe, status=tested}

+size: Area = (100,100) #visibility: Boolean = true

+default-size: Rectangle

#maximum-size: Rectangle

-xptr: XWindow*

+display ()

+hide ()

+create ()

-attachXWindow(xwin:Xwindow*)

Static structure diagram (3-21)

«controller»



PenTracker

{ leaf, author="Mary Jones"}

Static structure diagram (3-22)

Rectangle

```
p1:Point p2:Point
```

```
«constructor»
Rectangle(p1:Point, p2:Point)
«query»
area (): Real
aspect (): Real
....
«update»
move (delta: Point)
scale (ratio: Real)
....
```

Static structure diagram (3-23)

Reservation

operations

guarantee()
cancel ()
change (newDate: Date)

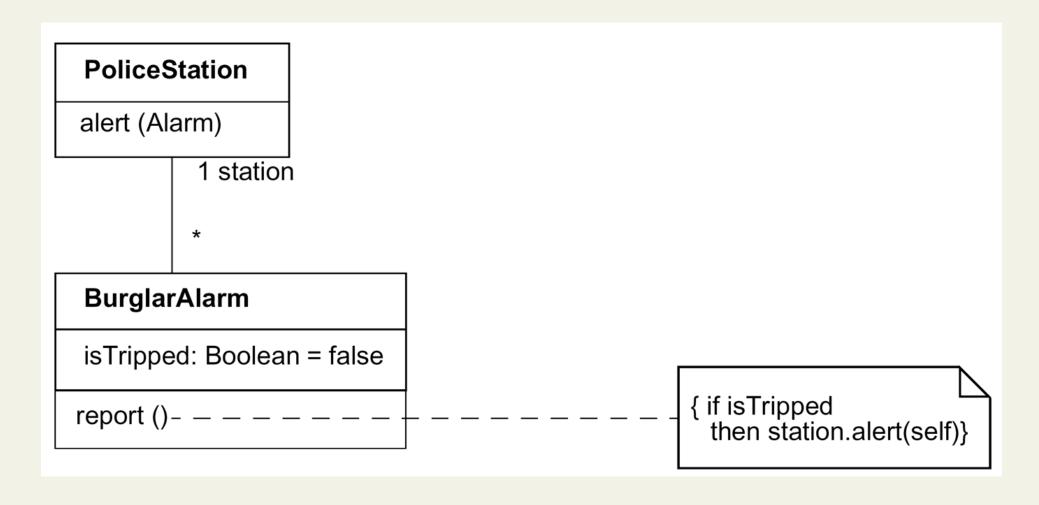
responsibilities

bill no-shows match to available rooms

exceptions

invalid credit card

Static structure diagram (3-24)



Static structure diagram (3-38)

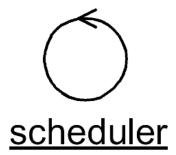
triangle: Polygon

center = (0,0) vertices = ((0,0),(4,0),(4,3)) borderColor = black fillColor = white

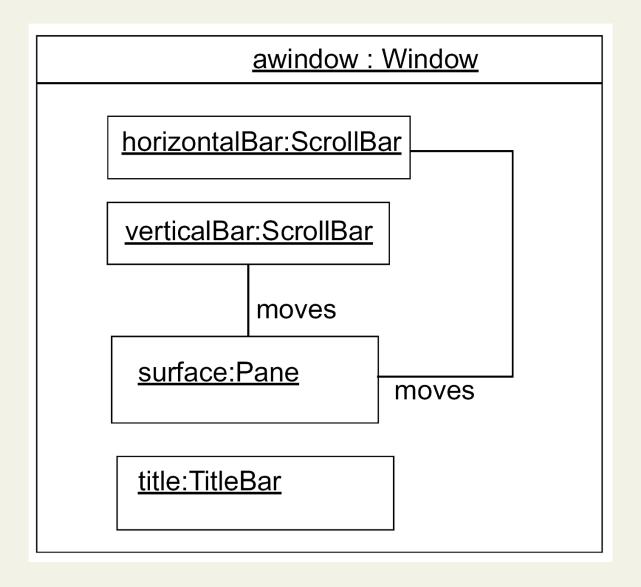
triangle: Polygon

triangle

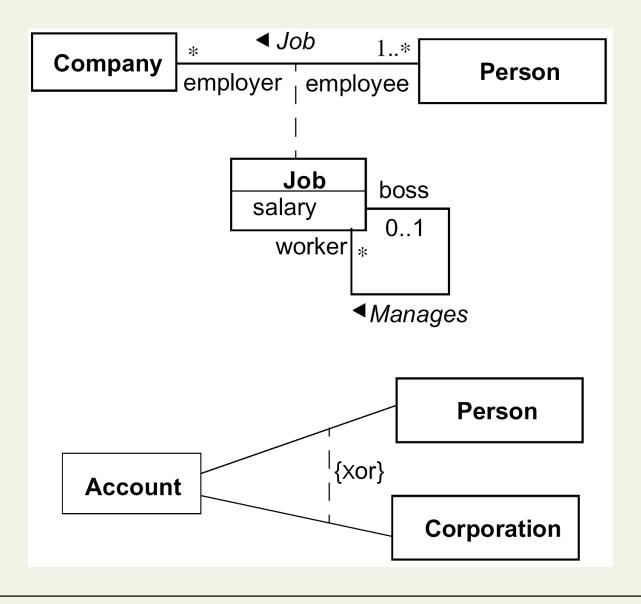
:Polygon



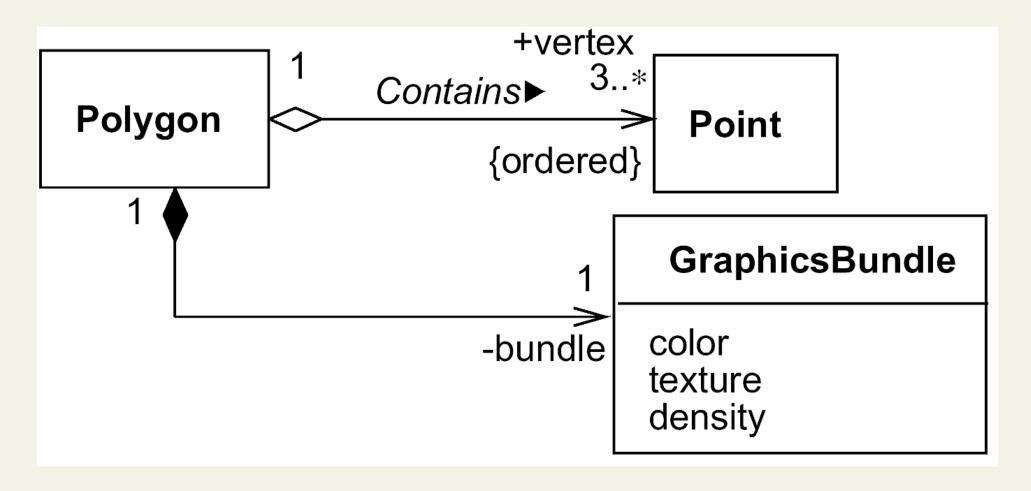
Static structure diagram (3-39)



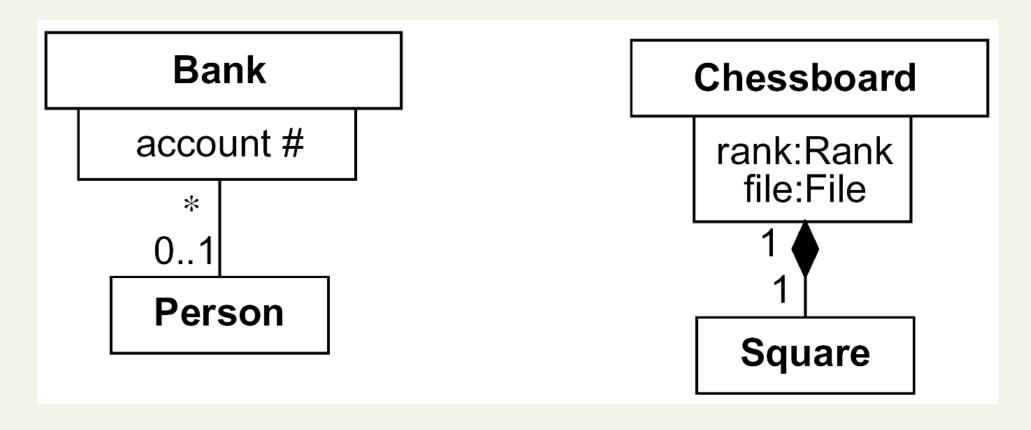
Static structure diagram (3-40)



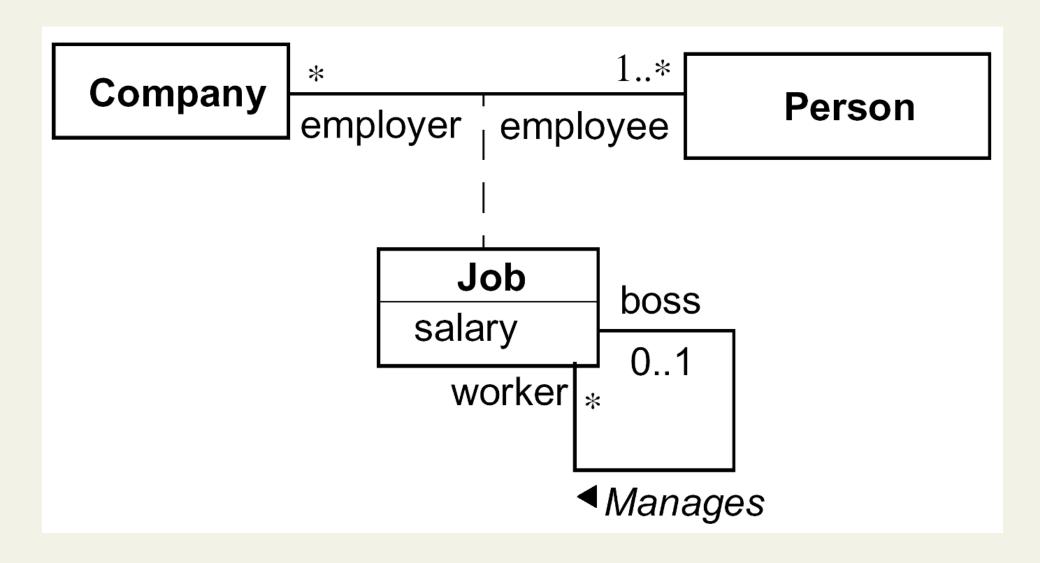
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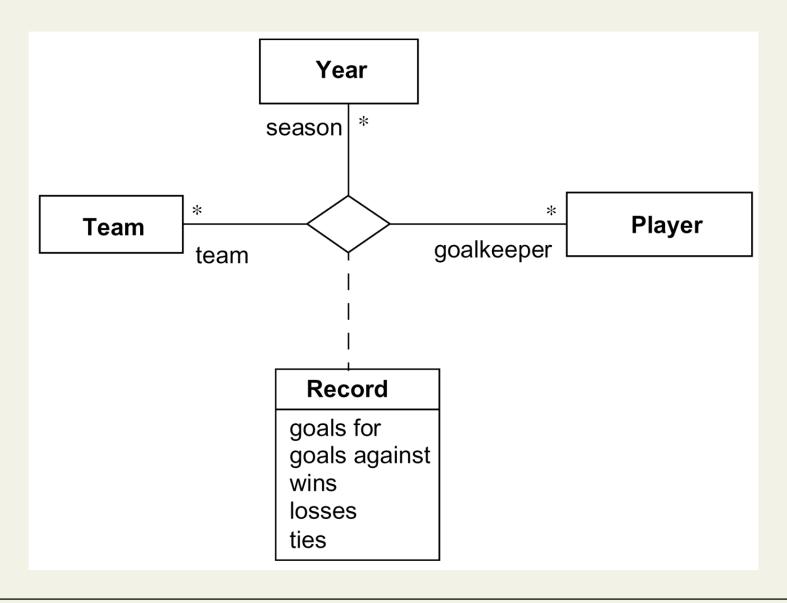
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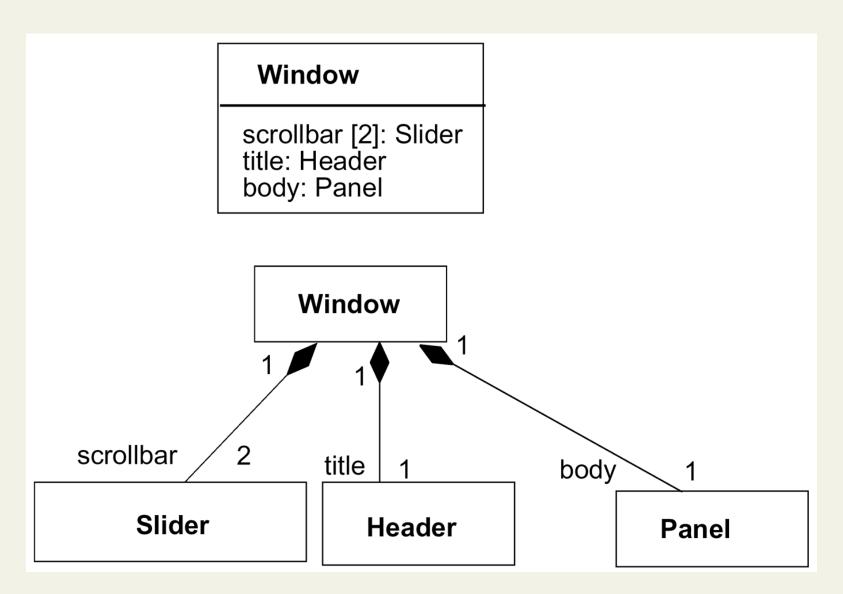
Static structure diagram (3-43)



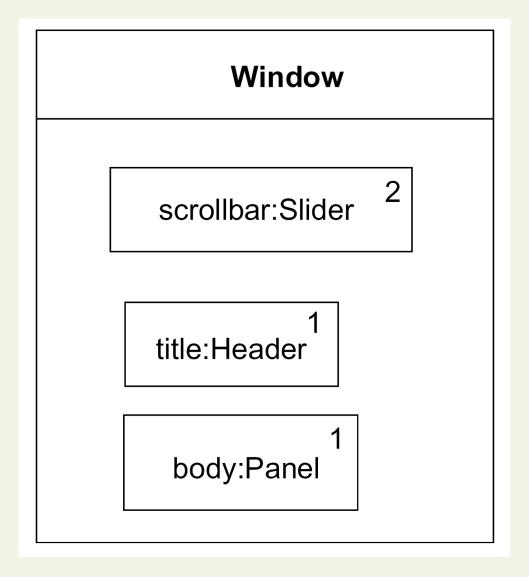
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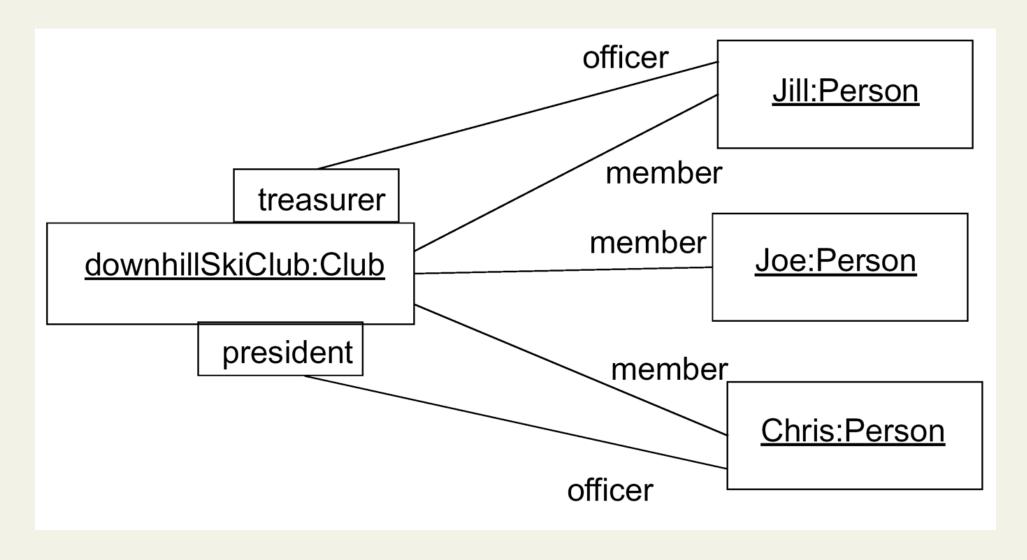
Static structure diagram (3-45-1)



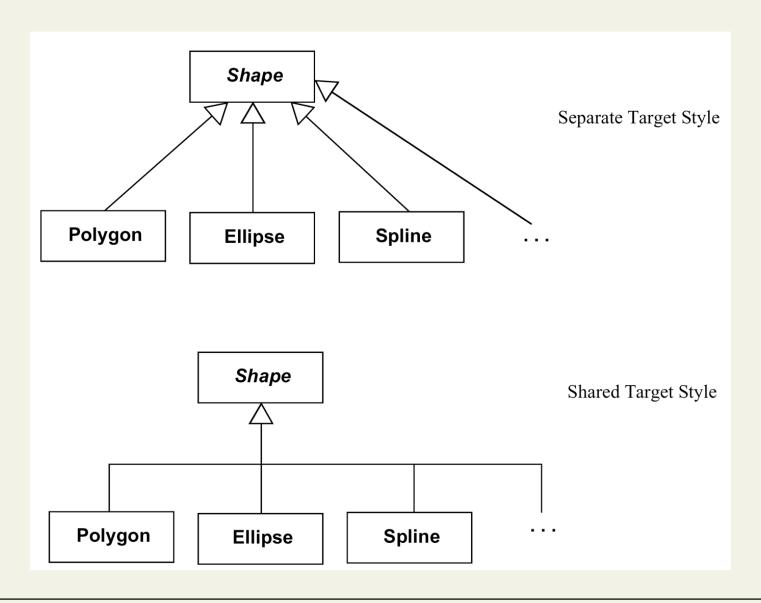
Static structure diagram (3-45-2)



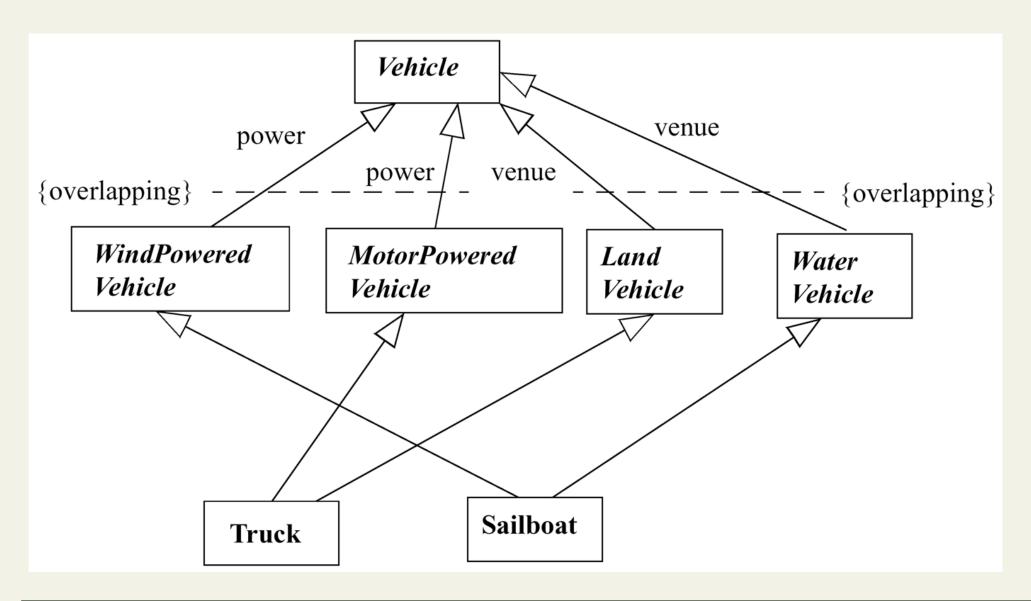
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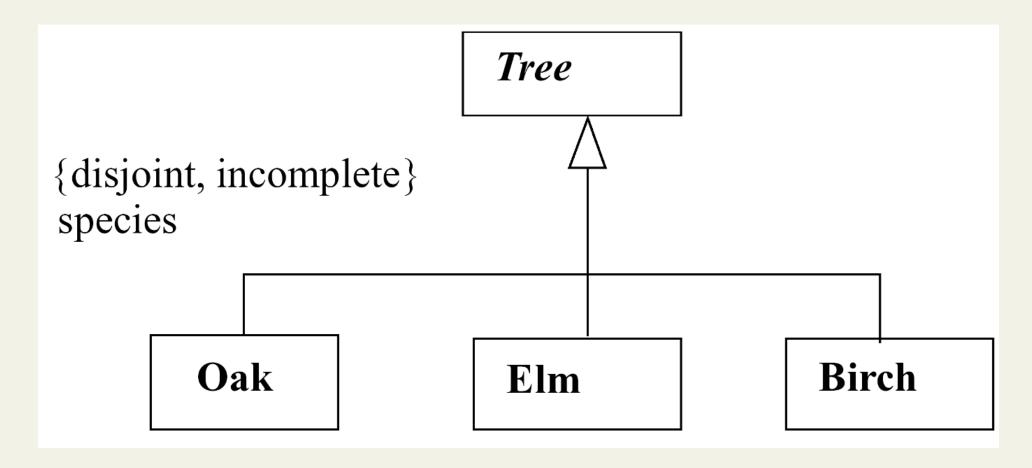
Static structure diagram (3-47)



Static structure diagram (3-48)



Static structure diagram (3-49)



4.2 Advanced Concepts in Class Diagrams Starting situation

- UML complex language with many modeling features
- no overall agreed semantic foundation
- how to deal with the language element variety?

Study UML class and statechart diagrams and compare language elements

- explain advanced UML features by some more basic UML constructs
- use Object Constraint Logic OCL to express these advanced features

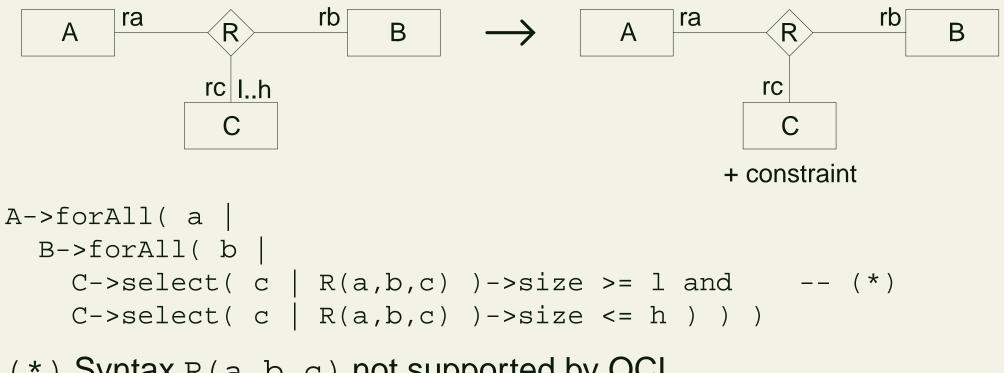
Benefits

- small set of features reduces complexity of design and facilitates communication
- smooth transition from utilizing basic set of language features to more sophisticated ones
- definition in terms of simple features helps identifying certain repeating patterns

Equivalence Rule for Cardinality Notation

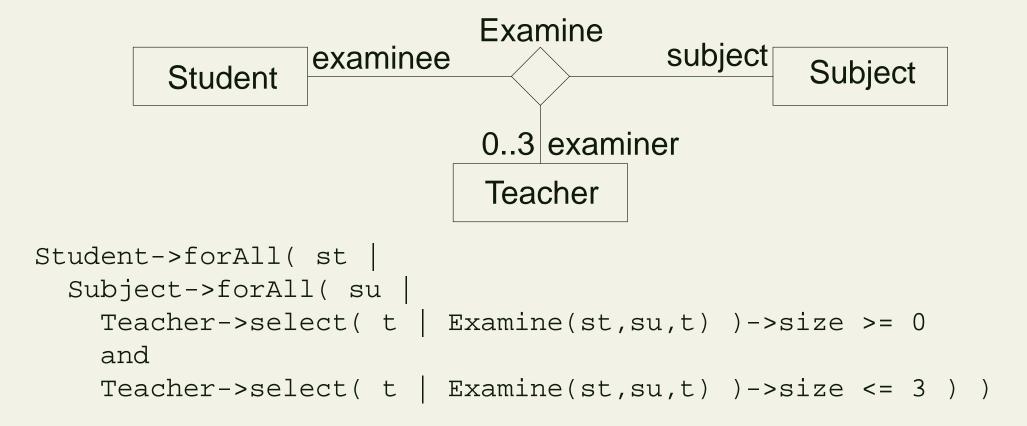
Example for Cardinality Notation

Equivalence Rule for Ternary Association Cardinality

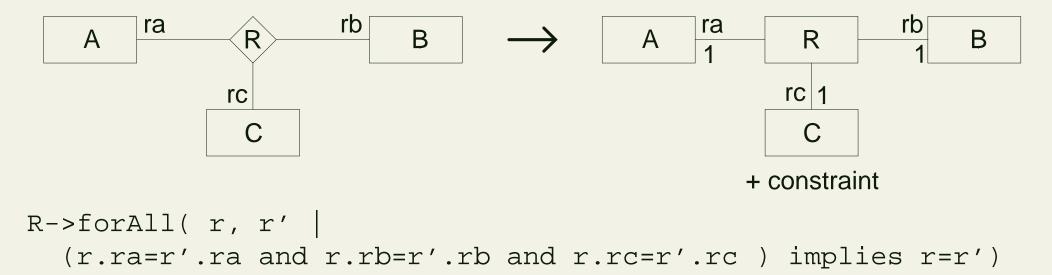


(*) Syntax R(a,b,c) not supported by OCL

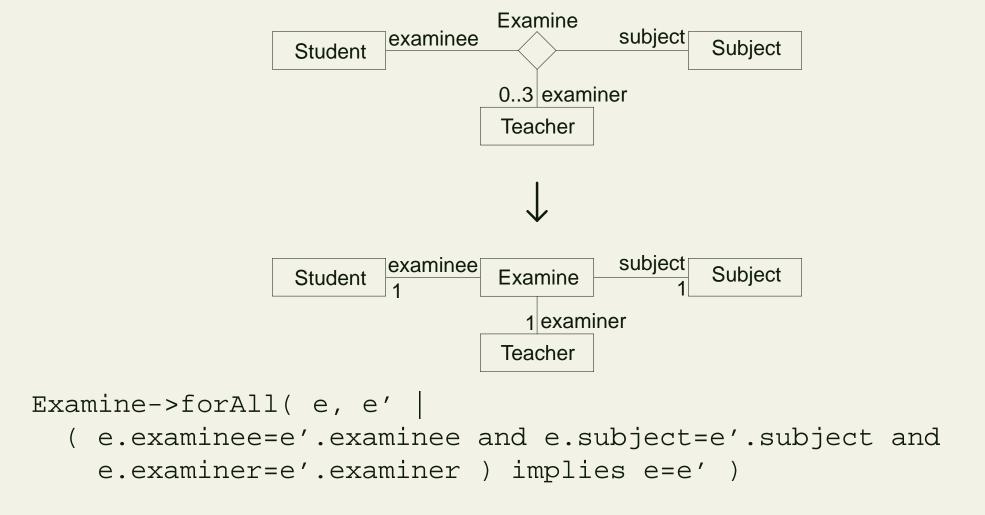
Example for Cardinality Notation in N-ary Association



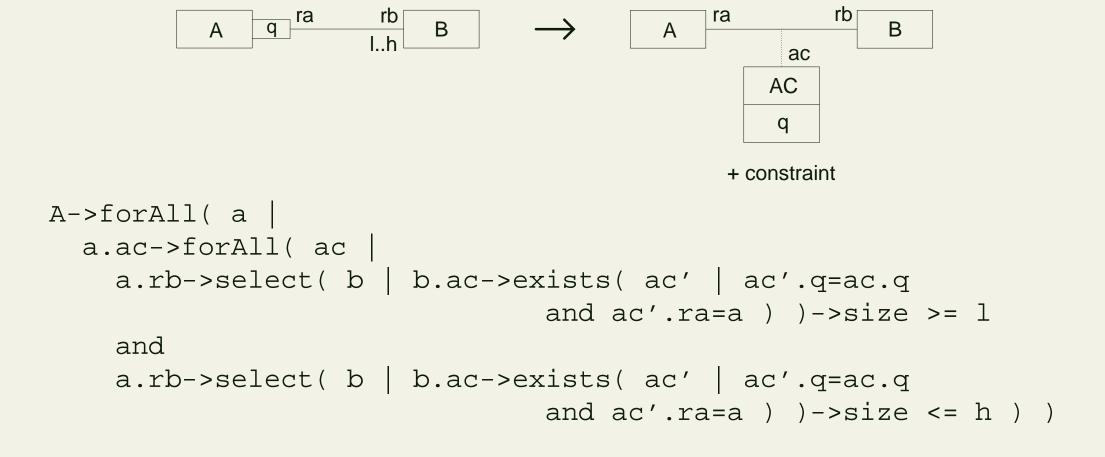
Equivalence Rule for Ternary Association



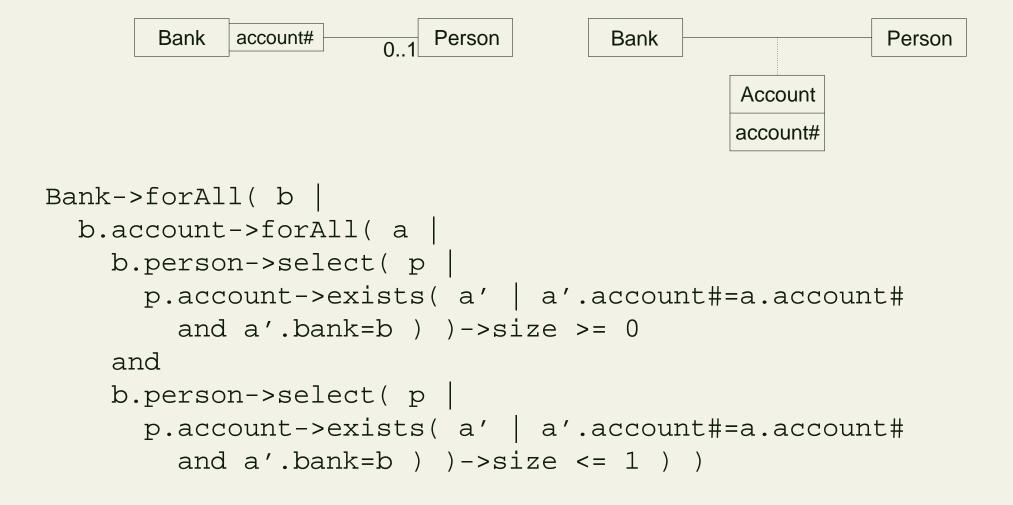
Example for Equivalence Rule for Ternary Association



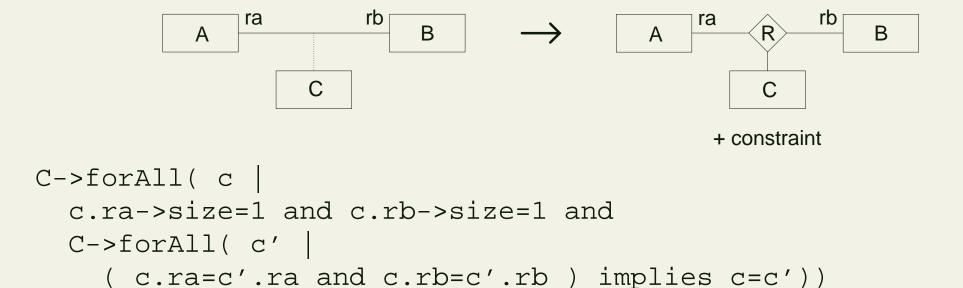
Equivalence Rule for Qualifier



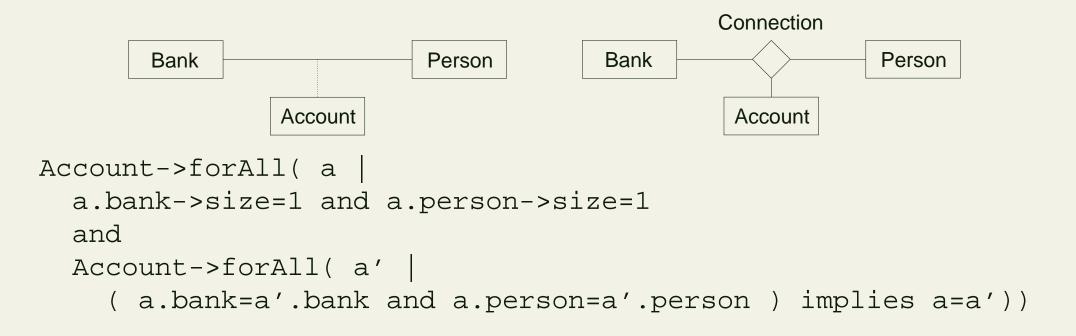
Example for Qualifier



Equivalence Rule for Association Class



Example for Association Class



Problems with UML Semantics document

Problem: Verbal semantics in UML Semantics document leads to ambiguities

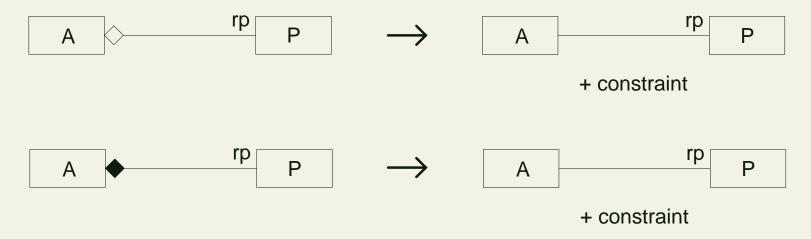
Example: Aggregation and composition

An association may represent an aggregation (i.e., a whole/part relationship). In this case, the association-end attached to the whole element is designated, and the other association-end of the association represents the parts of the aggregation. Only binary associations may be aggregations. Composite aggregation is a strong form of aggregation which requires that a part instance be included in at most one composite at a time, although the owner may be changed over time. Furthermore, a composite implies propagation semantics (i.e., some of the dynamic semantics of the whole is propagated to its parts). For example, if the whole is copied or deleted, then so are the parts as well. A shared aggregation denotes weak ownership (i.e., the part may be included in several aggregates) and its owner may also change over time. However, the semantics of a shared aggregation does not imply deletion of the parts when one of its containers is deleted. Both kinds of aggregations define a transitive, antisymmetric relationship (i.e., the instances form a directed, non-cyclic graph). Composition instances form a strict tree (or rather a forest).

Text above is subject of many papers!

Further observation: Text above also mentions syntactical requirements ("Only binary associations may be aggregations.")

Equivalence Rules for Aggregation and Composition (Part One)



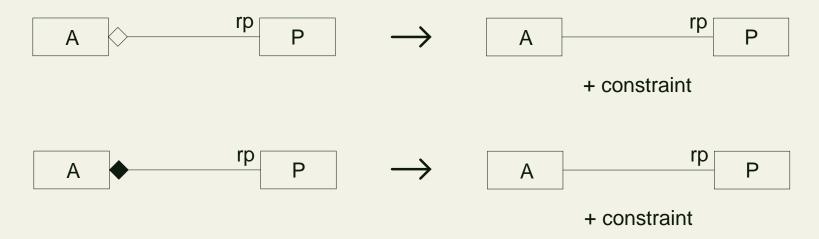
Existential Dependency for the Part

```
P->forAll(p | A->exists(a | a.rp->includes(p)))
```

Existential Dependency for the Aggregate

```
A->forAll( a |
P->exists( p | a.rp->includes(p) ) )
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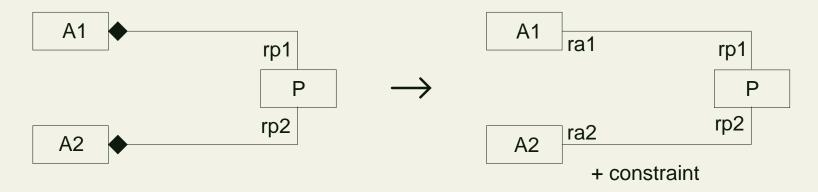
Equivalence Rules for Aggregation and Composition (Part Two)



Weak Form of Forbidding Sharing

```
P->forAll( p |
   A->forAll( a, a' |
        (a.rp->includes(p) and a'.rp->includes(p) )
   implies a=a'))
```

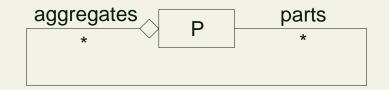
Equivalence Rules for Aggregation and Composition (Part Three)



Strong Form of Forbidding Sharing

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P->forAll( p |
   A1->forAll( a1 |
   A2->forAll( a2 |
        ( a1.rp1->includes(p) and a2.rp2->includes(p) )
        implies a1=a2)))
```

Equivalence Rules for Aggregation and Composition (Part Four)



```
parts: P -> Set(P)
aggregates: P -> Set(P)

Now possible but unwanted: p.parts->includes(p)
partsClosure(p) =
   parts(p) + 'parts(parts(p))'
   + 'parts(parts(parts(p)))' + ...

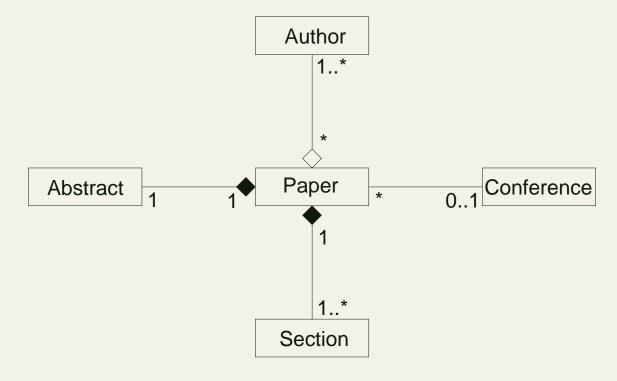
Forbidding Instance Reflexivity
P.forAll( p |
   not( p.partsClosure->includes(p) ) )
```

Due to generalizations, reflexive associations may occur frequently!

Association vs. Aggregation vs. Composition

Association	Aggregation	Composition
_	_	+
_	_	T
_	_	_
_	_	_
	_	+
_	_	
		+
_	_	
_	T	+
		Association Aggregation

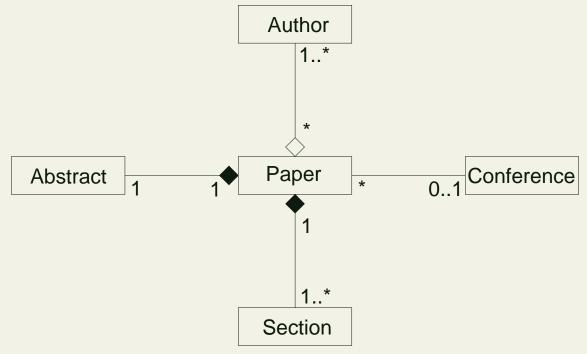
'Paper' Example – Existantial Dependency



Existential Dependency for the Part

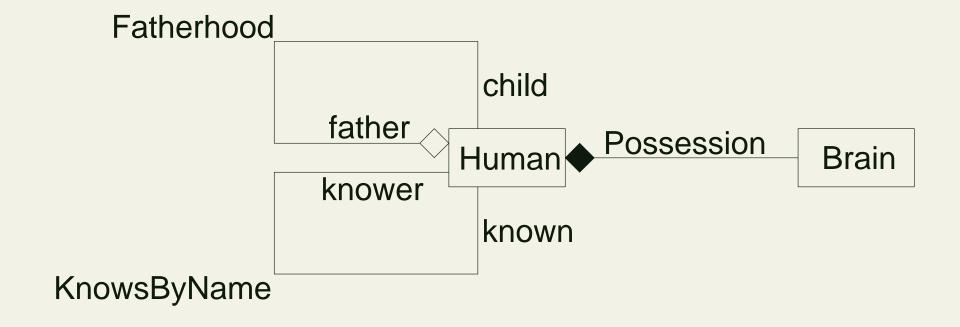
```
Abstract->forAll( a | Paper->exists( p | p.abstract->includes(a) ) )
```

'Paper' Example - Sharing



Forbidding Sharing for Composition

'Brain' Example - Class Diagram



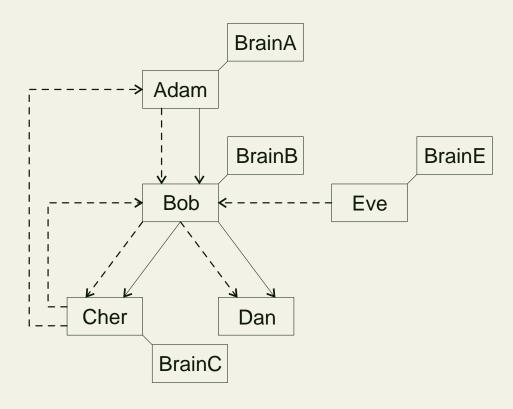
'Brain' Example – Induced Requirements

Existential Part Dependency for Composition

```
Brain->forAll( b
  Human->exists( h | h.brain->includes(b) ) )
Forbidding Sharing for Composition
Brain->forAll( b
  Human->forAll( h, h'
    (h.brain->includes(b) and
       h'.brain->includes(b)) implies h=h'))
Forbidding Instance Reflexivity for Aggregation
 child: Human -> Set(Human)
 childClosure: Human -> Set(Human) = offsprings
  Human.forAll( h | not( h.childClosure->includes(h) ) )
  Human.forAll( h | not( h.offsprings->includes(h) ) )
```

No restriction for Association!

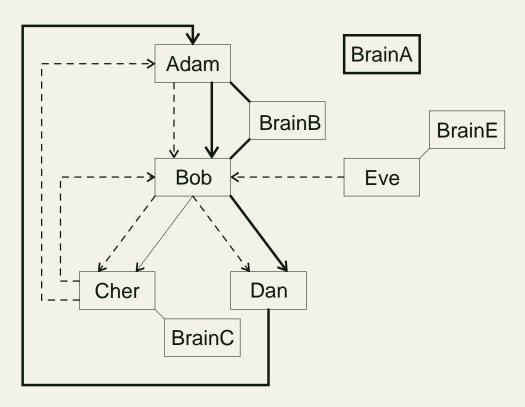
'Brain' Example – Valid Object Diagram



Fatherhood: solid arc, KnowsByName: dashed arc, Possession: undirected line

'Brain' Example – Invalid Object Diagram

Objects and links drawn fat contribute to invalidity

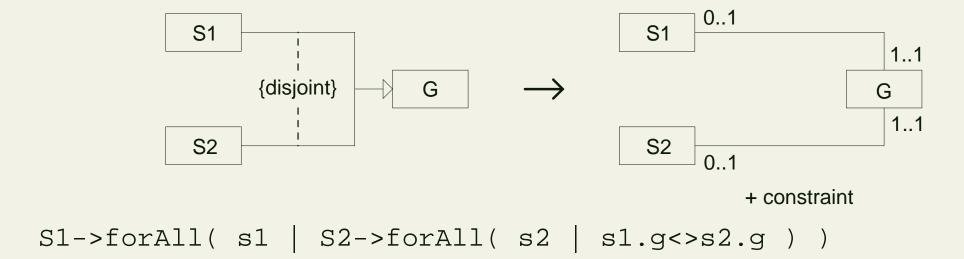


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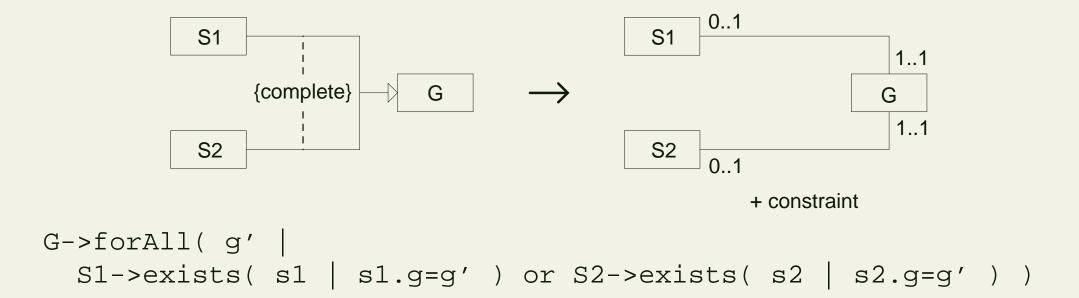
Equivalence Rule for Generalization

```
S \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow 0..1 \qquad 1..1 \qquad G
+ constraint
S->forAll(s,s' \mid s<>s' implies s.rg<>s'.rg)
or \ equivalently
S->forAll(s,s' \mid s.rg=s'.rg implies s=s')
```

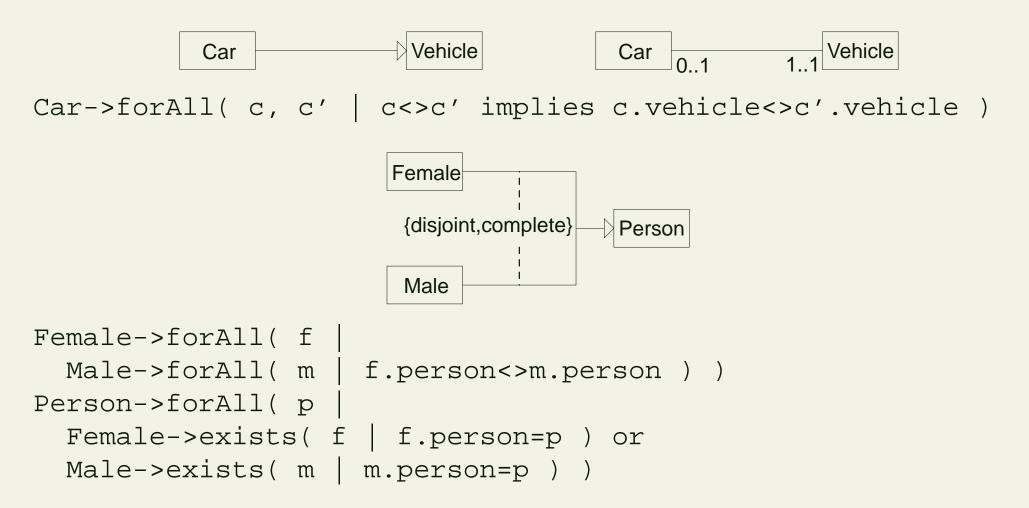
Equivalence Rule for Disjoint Generalization



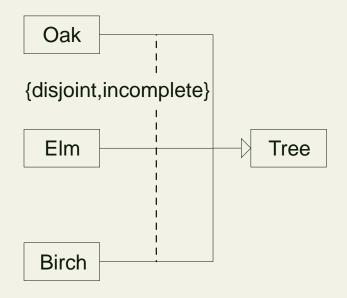
Equivalence Rule for Complete Generalization



Examples for (1) Plain Generalization and (2) Disjoint and Complete Generalization

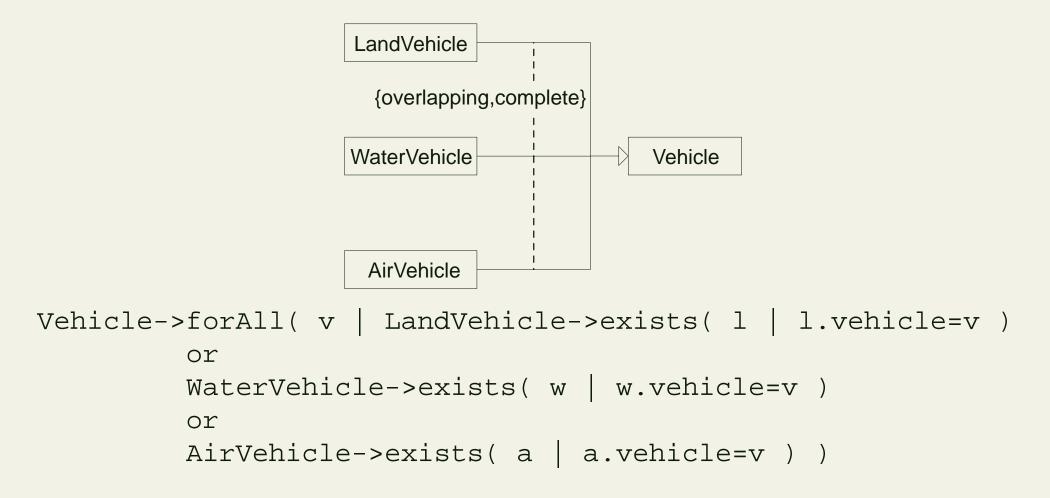


Example for Disjoint and Incomplete Generalization

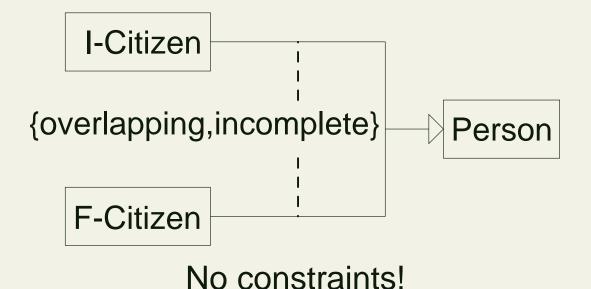


```
Oak->forAll( o |
Elm->forAll( e |
Birch->forAll( b |
o.tree<>e.tree and
o.tree<>b.tree and
e.tree<>b.tree ) )
```

Example for Overlapping and Complete Generalization



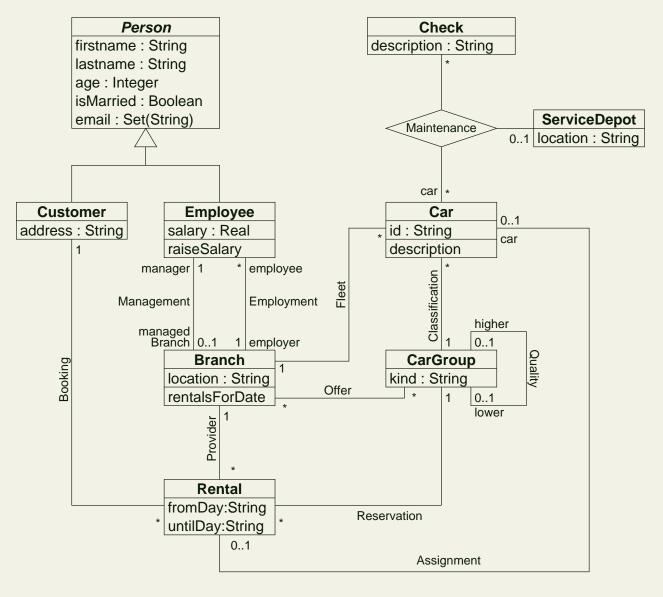
Example for Overlapping and Incomplete Generalization



4.3 Basic Concepts in Class Diagrams

- To follow: formal definition of basic concepts in class diagrams based on set theory
- Formal abstract syntax for the these basic concepts
- Formal interpretation for these basic concepts

Example Class Diagram



Definition 1 (Names)

Let \mathcal{N} be a set of Names.

Definition 2 (Basic Types)

We assume that there is a signature $\Sigma = (T, \Omega)$ with T being a set of basic type names, and Ω being a set of operations over types in T:

$$\omega: t_1 \times \cdots \times t_n \to t$$

Example 1 (Basic Types and Operations)

Predefined OCL Basic Types:

$$\{Integer, Real, Boolean, String\} \subset T$$

Operations in Ω include, for example, the usual arithmetic operations +, -, *, /, etc. for integers, e.g.

Definition 3 (Collection Types)

Collection types over the basic types are available for describing collections of values, for example, Set(String), Bag(Integer), and Sequence(Real), Set(Sequence(Integer)).

Example 2 (Collection Types)

In our example model, the attribute email of class Person has the type Set(String) to allow multiple email addresses for each person.

Definition 4 (Classes)

The set of classes is given by a finite set of names

$$\mathsf{C}\mathsf{LASS} \subset \mathcal{N}$$

Example 3 (Class Definition)

The example class diagram defines the following set of classes:

$$\label{eq:Class} \textbf{CLASS} = \begin{array}{l} \{Person, Check, ServiceDepot, Customer, \\ Employee, Car, Branch, CarGroup, Rental\} \end{array}$$

Definition 5 (Attributes)

Let $t \in T$ be a basic or collection type. The attributes of a class $c \in \mathsf{CLASS}$ are defined as a set ATT_c of signatures $a: t_c \to t$ where the attribute name a is an element of \mathcal{N} , and $t_c \in T$ is the type of class c.

Example 4 (Attribute)

```
\{firstname: Person \rightarrow String,\\ lastname: Person \rightarrow String,\\ \mathsf{ATT}_{Person} = age: Person \rightarrow Integer,\\ isMarried: Person \rightarrow Boolean,\\ email: Person \rightarrow Set(String)\}
```

Definition 6 (Operations)

Let t and $t_1, \ldots, t_n \in T$ be types. Operations of a class $c \in \mathsf{CLASS}$ with type $t_c \in T$ are defined by a set of OP_c of signatures $\omega: t_c \times t_1 \times \cdots \times t_n \to t$ with operation symbols $\omega \in \mathcal{N}$.

Example 5 (Operation)

```
\mathsf{OP}_{Car} = \{ description : Car \rightarrow String \}
```

```
\mathsf{OP}_{Branch} = \{rentalsForDay : Branch \times String \rightarrow Set(Rental)\}
\mathsf{OP}_{Employee} = \{raiseSalary : Employee \times Real \rightarrow Real\}
```

Definition 7 (Assocations)

The set of associations is given by:

- 1. a finite set of names $Assoc \subset \mathcal{N}$
- 2. a function

```
associates: ASSOC \rightarrow CLASS^+
as \mapsto \langle c_1, \dots, c_n \rangle \ with \ (n \geq 2)
```

Example 6 (Association)

```
\mathsf{ASSOC} = \begin{cases} Booking, Management, Employment, \\ Fleet, Classification, Assignment, \\ Offer, Quality, Provider, Reservation \end{cases}
```

```
associates(Assignment) = \langle Rental, Car \rangle
associates(Booking) = \langle Rental, Customer \rangle
associates(Classification) = \langle CarGroup, Car \rangle
associates(Employment) = \langle Branch, Employee \rangle
associates(Fleet) = \langle Branch, Car \rangle
associates(Maintenance) = \langle ServiceDepot, Check, Car \rangle
```

Definition 8 (Role names)

Let $as \in Assoc$ be an association with associates(as) = $\langle c_1, \ldots, c_n \rangle$. Role names for an association are defined by a function

$$roles: ASSOC \rightarrow \mathcal{N}^+$$
 $as \mapsto \langle r_1, \dots, r_n \rangle$

where all role names must be distinct, i. e.,

$$\forall i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\} : i \neq j \Longrightarrow r_i \neq r_j$$
.

If roles names are not specified in the class diagram, then implicit role names consisting of the class name with a lower case first letter are used

In case of ambiguities, for example, in the case where two associations between two classes are present, roles names must be specified in the class diagram

Example 7 (Role names)

```
roles(Assignment) = \langle rental, car \rangle
roles(Booking) = ⟨rental, customer⟩
roles(Classification) = \( carGroup, car \)
roles(Employment) = \( employer, employee \)
roles(Fleet) = \langle branch, car \rangle
roles(Maintenance) = \( \serviceDepot, \check, \car \)
roles(Management) = \langle managedBranch, manager\rangle
roles(Offer) = \langle branch, carGroup \rangle
roles(Provider) = ⟨rental, branch⟩
roles(Quality) = \langle lower, higher \rangle
roles(Reservation) = ⟨rental, carGroup⟩
```

Definition 9 (Multiplicities)

Let $as \in \mathsf{Assoc}$ be an association with associates(as) = $\langle c_1, \ldots, c_n \rangle$. The function multiplicities(as) = $\langle M_1, \ldots, M_n \rangle$ assigns each class c_i participating in the association a non-empty set $M_i \subset \mathbb{N}_0$ with $M_i \neq \{0\}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Example 8 (Multiplicities)

For example, the multiplicities of the Maintenance association are defined as multiplicities(Maintenance) = $\langle \{0,1\}, \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{N}_0 \rangle$.

Definition 10 (Generalization hierarchy)

A generalization hierarchy \prec is a partial order (transitive, non-reflexive relation) on the set of classes CLASS.

Example 9 (Generalization hierarchy)

The example class diagram contains two generalizations. Person is the parent class of Customer and Employee.

```
\prec = \{(Customer, Person), (Employee, Person)\}
```

Definition 11 (Parents)

$$parents: CLASS \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(CLASS)$$

$$c \mapsto \{c' \mid c' \in CLASS \land c \prec c'\}$$

Definition 12 (Full set of attributes)

$$\mathsf{ATT}^*_c = \mathsf{ATT}_c \ \cup \bigcup_{c' \in parents(c)} \mathsf{ATT}_{c'}$$

Definition 13 (Inherited user-defined operations)

$$\mathsf{OP}^*_c = \mathsf{OP}_c \ \cup \ \bigcup_{c' \in parents(c)} \mathsf{OP}_{c'}$$

Definition 14 (Navigable role names)

Definition 15 (Full descriptor of a class)

The full descriptor of a class $c \in \mathsf{CLASS}$ is a structure $\mathsf{FD}_c = (\mathsf{ATT}_c^*, \mathsf{OP}_c^*, navends^*(c))$ containing all attributes, user-defined operations, and navigable role names defined for the class and all of its parents.

Additional well-formedness rules

- 1. In a full class descriptor, attributes are defined in exactly one class
- 2. In a full class descriptor, an operation may only be defined once
- 3. In a full class descriptor, role names are defined exactly in one class
- 4. Attribute names and role names must not conflict

Overview on Formal Syntax

Definition 16 (Syntax of object models)

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The syntax of an object model is a structure M=(CLASS, ATT_c, OP_c, ASSOC, associates, roles, multiplicities, <math>\prec)
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where

- 1. CLASS is a set of classes.
- 2. Att $_c$ is a set of operation signatures for functions mapping an object of class c to an associated attribute value.
- 3. OP_c is a set of signatures for user-defined operations of a class c.

- 4. Assoc is a set of association names.
 - (a) associates is a function mapping each association name to a list of participating classes.
 - (b) roles is a function assigning each end of an association a role name.
 - (c) multiplicities is a function assigning each end of an association a multiplicity specification.
- is a partial order on CLASS reflecting the generalization hierarchy of classes.

Definition 17 (Object Identifiers)

- 1. The set of object identifiers of a class $c \in CLASS$ is defined by an infinite set oid(c) = { $c_1, c_2, ...$ }.
- 2. The domain of a class $c \in CLASS$ is defined as $I_{CLASS}(c) = \bigcup \{oid(c') \mid c' \in CLASS \land c' \leq c\}.$

Example 10 (Object Identifiers)

```
\begin{split} \textit{I(Branch)} &= \{ \ \underline{Branch}_1, \underline{Branch}_2, \ldots \} \\ \textit{I(Customer)} &= \{ \ \underline{cu}_1, \underline{cu}_2, \ldots \} \\ \textit{(Class names may be abbreviated)} \\ \textit{I(Employee)} &= \{ \ \underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \ldots \} \\ \textit{I(Person)} &= \{ \ \underline{p}_1, \underline{p}_2, \ldots \} \cup \textit{I(Customer)} \cup \textit{I(Employee)} \end{split}
```

Generalization

The above definition implies that a generalization hierarchy induces a subset relation on the semantic domain of classes.

$$\forall c_1, c_2 \in \mathsf{CLASS} : c_1 \prec c_2 \Longrightarrow I(c_1) \subset I(c_2)$$
.

Example 11 (Inheritance)

$$I(Customer) \subset I(Person)$$

$$I(Employee) \subset I(Person)$$

Definition 18 (Links)

Each association $as \in Assoc$ with associates(as) = $\langle c_1, \ldots, c_n \rangle$ is interpreted as the Cartesian product of the sets of object identifiers of the participating classes:

$$I_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}(as) = I_{\mathsf{CLASS}}(c_1) \times \ldots \times I_{\mathsf{CLASS}}(c_n)$$

A link denoting a connection between objects is an element $l_{as} \in I_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}(as)$.

Example 12 (Links)

```
I(Assignment) = I(Rental) \times I(Car)

I(Maintenance) = I(ServiceDepot) \times I(Check) \times I(Car)

I(Quality) = I(CarGroup) \times I(CarGroup)
```

Definition 19 (System State)

A system state for a model M is a structure

$$\sigma(\mathcal{M}) = (\sigma_{\mathsf{CLASS}}, \sigma_{\mathsf{ATT}}, \sigma_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}).$$

1. Finite sets $\sigma_{\mathsf{CLASS}}(c)$ contain all objects of a class $c \in \mathsf{CLASS}$ existing in the system state:

$$\sigma_{\mathsf{CLASS}}(c) \subset \mathit{oid}(c).$$

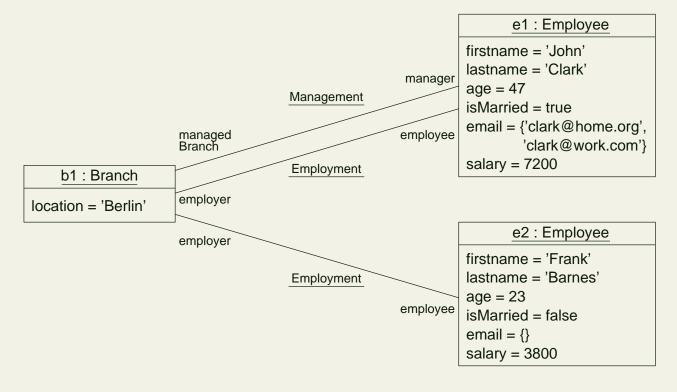
2. Functions σ_{ATT} assign attribute values to each object:

$$\sigma_{\mathsf{ATT}}(a):\sigma_{\mathsf{CLASS}}(c)\to I(t) \text{ for each } a:t_c\to t\in \mathsf{ATT}_c^*.$$

3. Finite sets σ_{ASSOC} contain links connecting objects. For each $as \in \mathsf{ASSOC}$: $\sigma_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}(as) \subset I_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}(as)$. A link set must satisfy all multiplicity specifications defined for an association (the function $\pi_i(l)$ projects the ith component of a tuple or list l, whereas the function $\bar{\pi}_i(l)$ projects all but the ith component):

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\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \forall l \in \sigma_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}(as) : \\ |\{l' \mid l' \in \sigma_{\mathsf{ASSOC}}(as) \land (\bar{\pi}_i(l') = \bar{\pi}_i(l))\}| \\ \in \pi_i(multiplicities(() = as))
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Example 13 (System State)



$$\sigma(Employee) = \{\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2\}$$

$$\sigma(Branch) = \{\underline{b}_1\}$$

$$\sigma(Employment) = \{(\underline{b}_1, \underline{e}_1), (\underline{b}_1, \underline{e}_2)\}$$

$$\sigma(Management) = \{(\underline{b}_1, \underline{e}_1)\}$$

Definition 20 (Interpretation of object models)

The interpretation of an object model M is the set of all possible system states $\sigma(M)$.

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