Module 43: Software Engineering

UML - Class Diagrams

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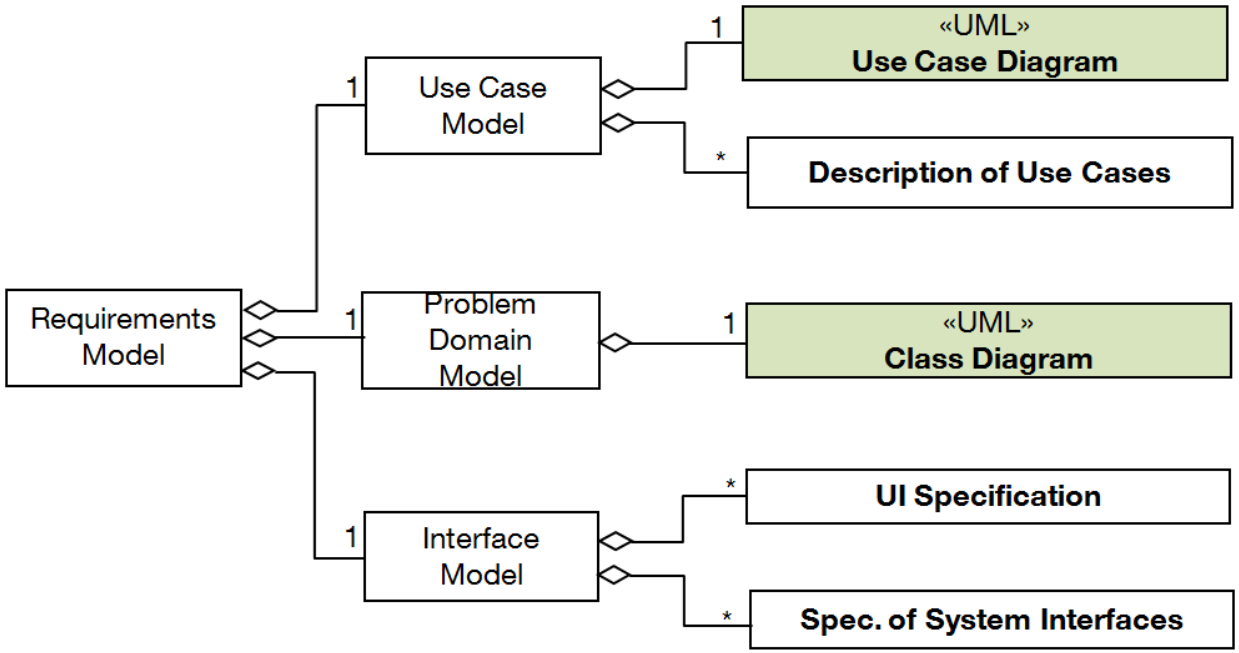
Module Objectives

- Understanding Class Diagrams

Module Outline

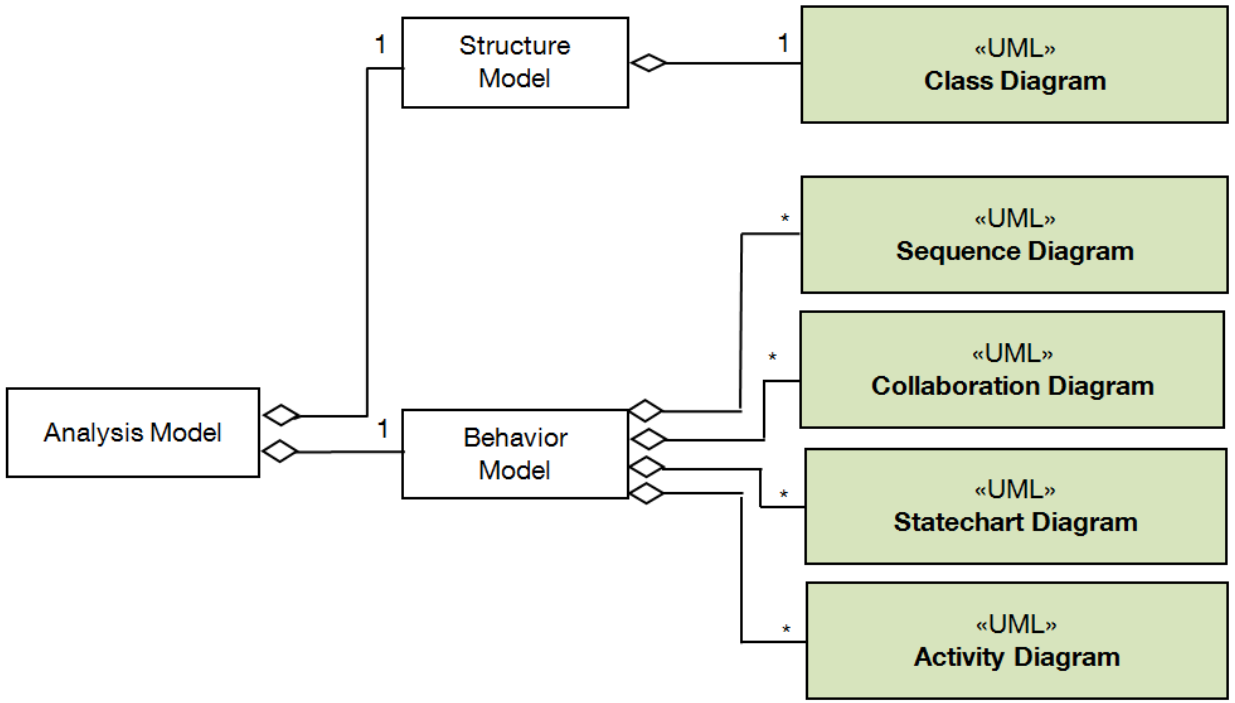
- What are Class Diagrams?
  - Class
  - Property (Attributes)
  - Operation (Methods)
  - Examples

Class Diagrams in SDLC phases: RECAP (Module 41)



- In the Requirements Phase, the class diagram is used to identify the major abstractions
- At this stage the attributes and operation of each abstraction may not be known
- Classes are identified as domain models

Class Diagrams in SDLC phases: RECAP (Module 41)



- After analysis of each abstraction, attributes and operation of each abstraction is known
- Hence the class diagram in the Analysis Phase is more detailed
- Classes are refined as domain models

Class Diagram

- Class diagram is UML structure diagram which shows structure of the designed system at the level of classes and interfaces, shows their features, constraints and relationships – associations, generalizations, dependencies, etc.
- Some common types of class diagrams are:
  - Domain model diagram
  - Diagram of implementation classes

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Features of a class

- **Non Static Features:** characterizes individual instances of class
- **Static Features:** represents some characteristic of the class itself
- **Structural Features (attributes):** is a typed feature of a class that specifies the structure of instances of the class
- **Behavioral Features (Methods):** is a feature of a class that specifies an aspect of the behavior of its instances

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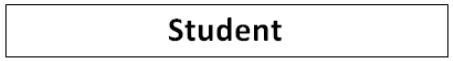
Notation for Class

- Class name should be centered and in bold face inside a solid-outline rectangle, with the first letter of class name capitalized



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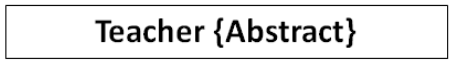
- Abstract Classes (which cannot be instantiated) have the keyword abstract mentioned within { }



Abstract Class Teacher - details suppressed

- A class has optional compartments separated by horizontal lines containing attributes and methods in order

Notation for Property (Attributes)

- **Property (Attributes) specification format:**

  Visibility PropertyName : Type [Multiplicity] = DefaultValue
  {Property string}

  - The visibility of the properties are denoted by +(public), #(protected) and –(private)
  - PropertyName is underlined if the Property is static
  - A property may be *Read Only*, *Static*, *Ordered*, *Unique* or *Optional* (to indicate allowable null value)
  - Property could have multiplicity. The multiplicity bounds constrain the size of the collection of property values. By default the maximum bound is 1
  - The default-value option is an expression for the default value or values of the property
  - A derived Property, designated by a preceding '/', is one that can be computed from other properties, but doesn't actually exist

Student
+ name: String +date_of_birth: Date +roll_no: String {unique} +/age: Integer +subject: Subject[1..*]

Notation for Operations (Methods)

- **Operation (Methods) specification format:**

  Visibility OperationName (ParameterName : Type) : ReturnType {Property string}

  - The visibility of the operations are denoted by +(public), #(protected) and –(private)
  - OperationName is underlined if it is Static, and is italic if it is Abstract
  - Return type is optional
  - An operation may be *Read Only*, *Static*, *Ordered*, *Unique*, *Abstract*, *Sequential*, *Guarded* or *Concurrent*

Student
+name: String +date_of_birth: Date +roll_no: String unique +/age: Integer +subject: Subject[1..*]
#recordAttendance(): bool +getCertificates(): Certificates[*] {unique, ordered} –changeSubject(Subject s): bool +calculateAge(): Integer +bookMusicClassSlots (): bool {concurrent}

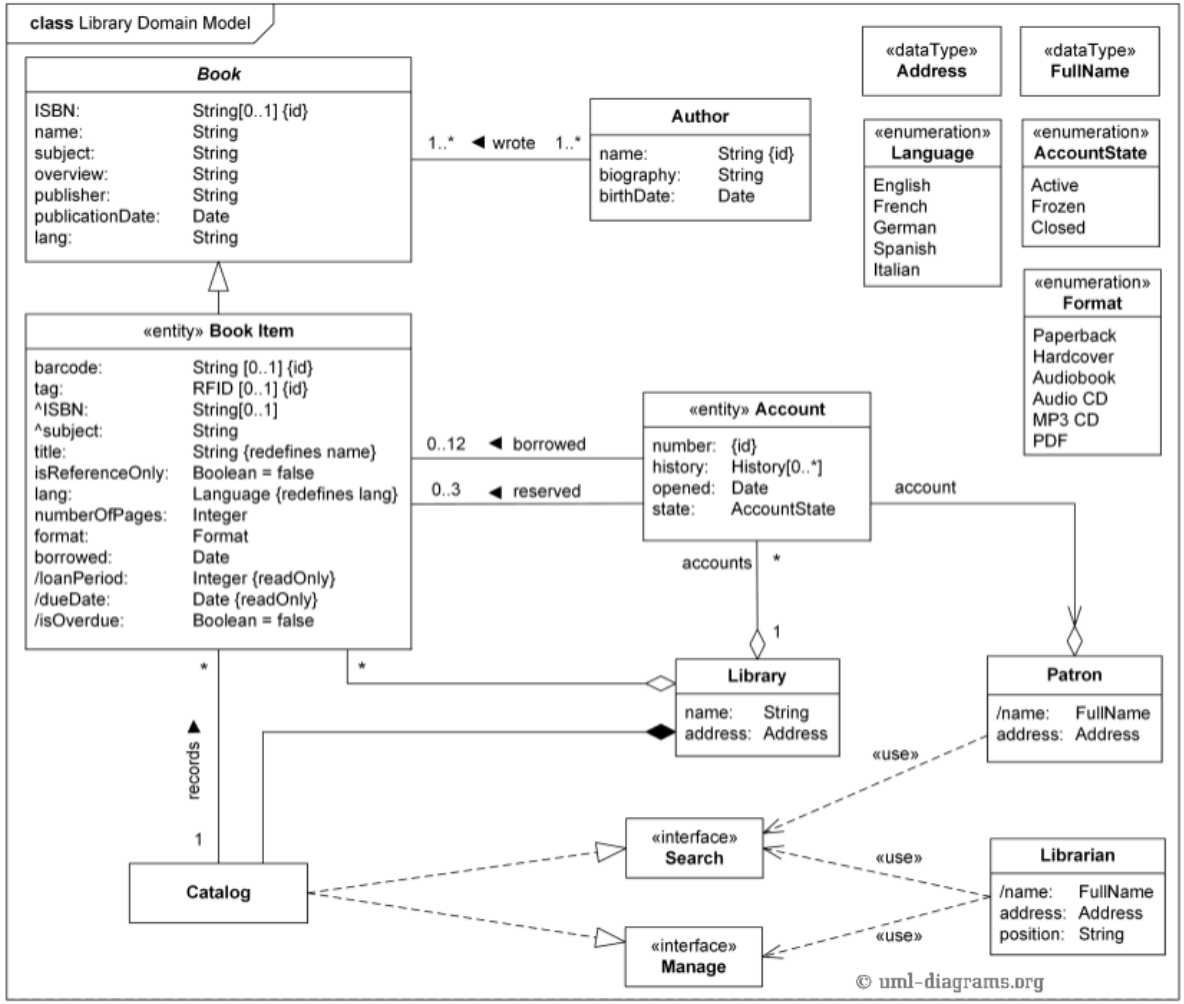
Abstract Classes of LMS

- We represent below the two abstract classes of LMS

Employee {Abstract}
+name: String +eid: String +gender: {Male, Female} +onDuty: Bool +salary: Double +doj: Date +reportsTo: String
+recordAttendance():Bool +requestLeave(): Void +cancelLeave(): Void +availLeave(): Void +exportLeave(): Leave

Leave {Abstract}
+startDate: Date +endDate: Date +status: {New, Approved} +/isValid: Bool +type: {} +approveCond: Bool +eid: String
+type(): String +approveLeave(Employee e): Bool +isValid(): Bool

Library Domain Model



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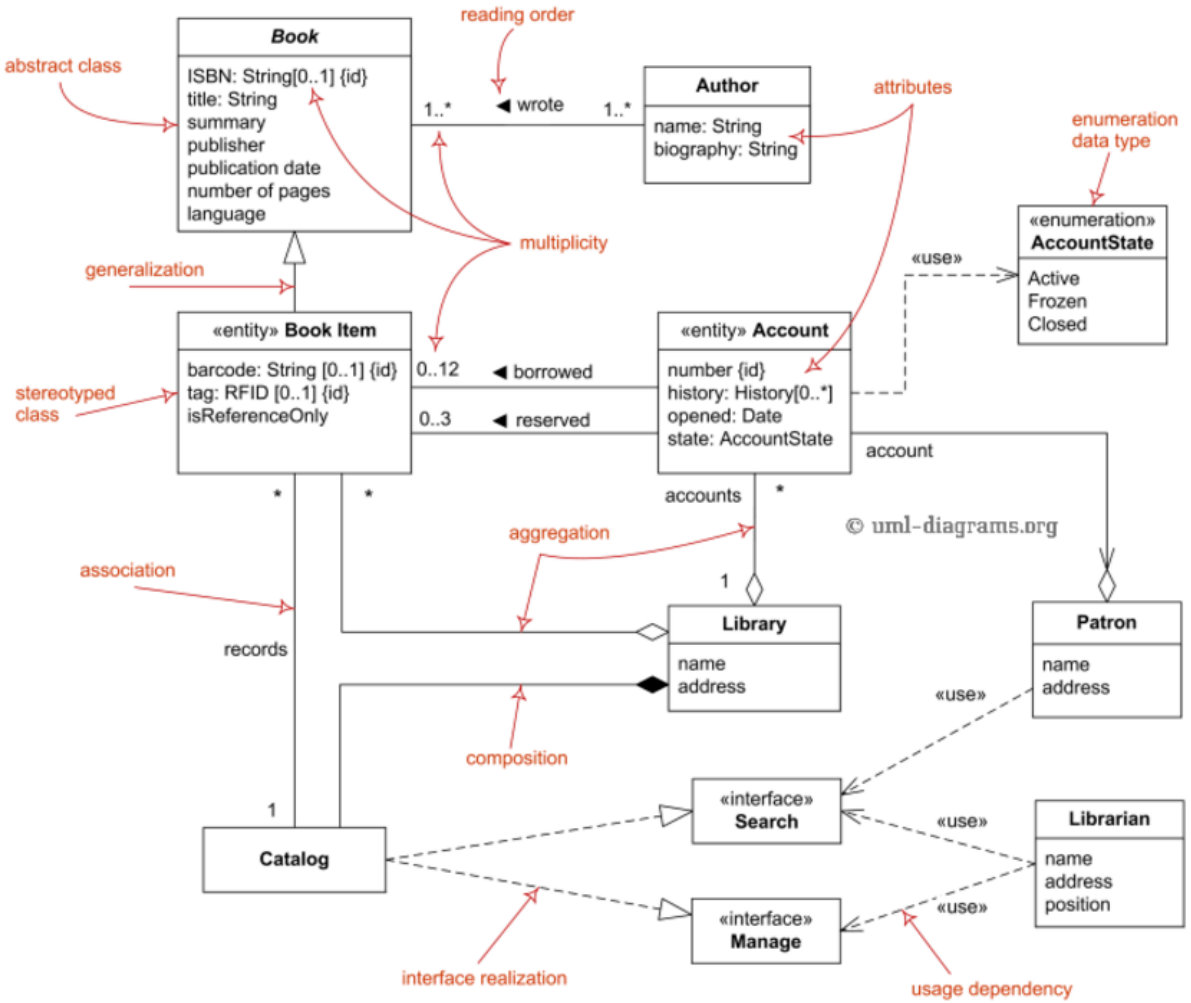

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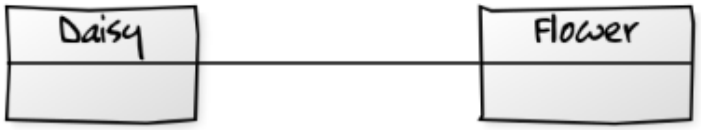
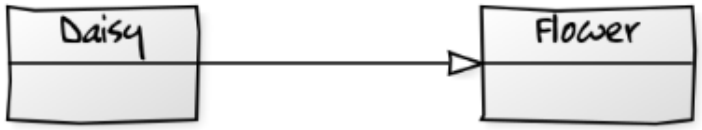
Association: RECAP

- Semantic Dependencies
  - Most general and most semantically weak
  - Bidirectional by default
  - Often refined over the analysis process



Early relationship



Refined to IS_A

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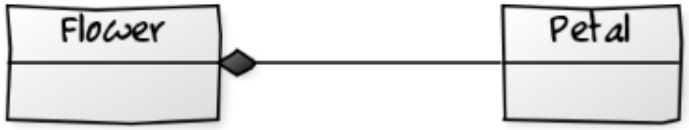

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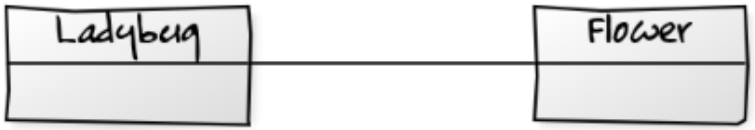
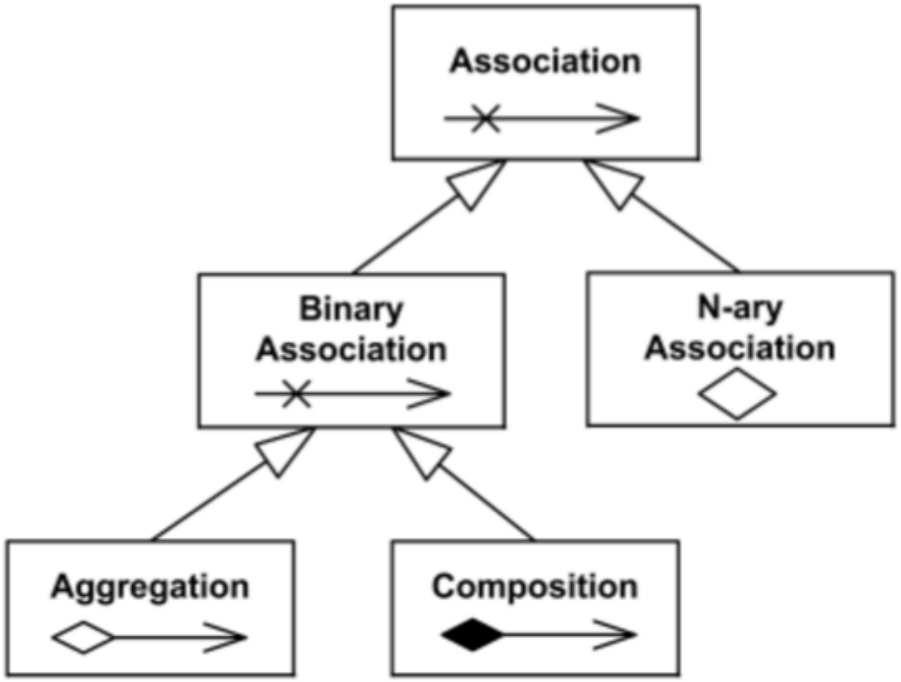


Early relationship

Refined to ?

Association: Notation

- An association icon (a line connector with label – association name) connects multiple classes and denotes a logical connection
- Associations can be binary of N-ary
- A class may have association to itself (Reflexive)



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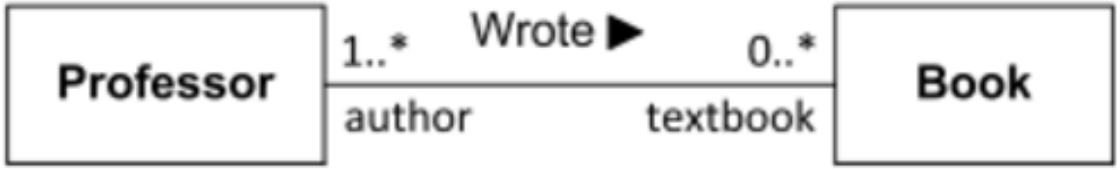
Association: Notation

We show an association below between a Professor and a Book



An association has three main concepts

- Association End
- Navigability
- Association Arity

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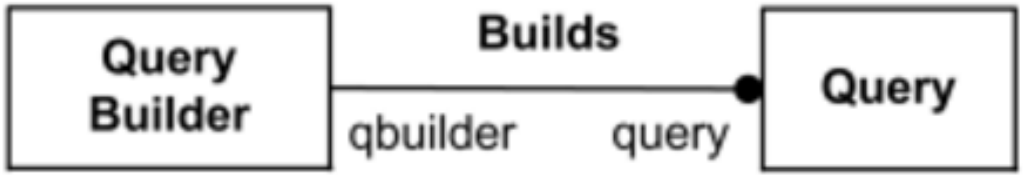
Association End

- Association end could be owned either by end class or association itself
- Ownership of association ends by an associated classifier may be indicated graphically by a small filled circle (aka dot)



Association end query is owned by classifier QueryBuilder and association end qbuilder is owned by association Builds itself

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Navigability

- End property of association is navigable from the opposite end(s) of association if instances of the classes at this end of the link can be accessed efficiently at run-time from instances at the other ends of the link
- Navigable end is indicated by an open arrowhead on the end of an association
- Not navigable end is indicated with a small x on the end of an association

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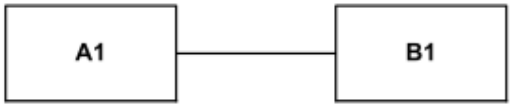
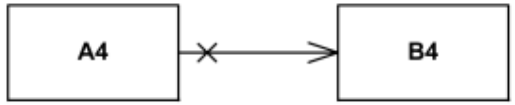
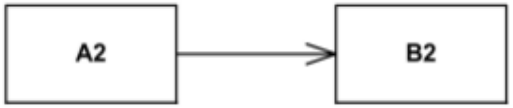
Navigability



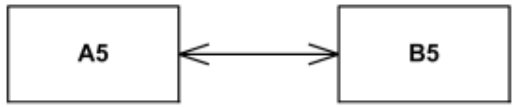
Both ends of association have ***unspecified navigability****.*



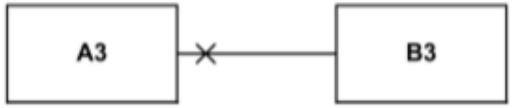
A4 is ***not navigable*** *from B4 while B4 is* ***navigable*** *from A4.*



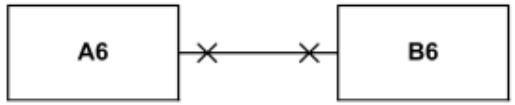
A2 has ***unspecified navigability*** *while B2 is* ***navigable*** *from A2.*



A5 is ***navigable*** *from B5 and B5 is* ***navigable*** *from A5.*



A3 is ***not navigable*** *from B3 while B3 has* ***unspecified navigability****.*



A6 is ***not navigable*** *from B6 and B6 is* ***not navigable*** *from A6.*

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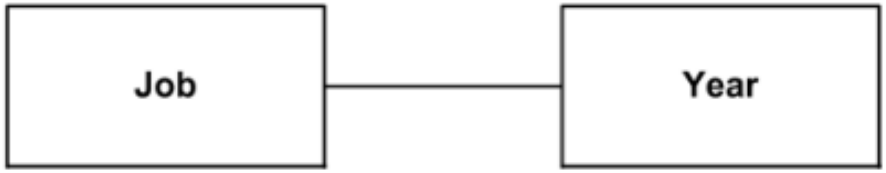
Arity – Binary Association

Each association has specific arity as it could relate two or more classes

- **Binary association** relates two typed instances
- It is normally rendered as a solid line connecting two classifiers, or a solid line connecting a single classifier to itself (the two ends are distinct)
- The line may consist of one or more connected segments



Job and Year classes are associated

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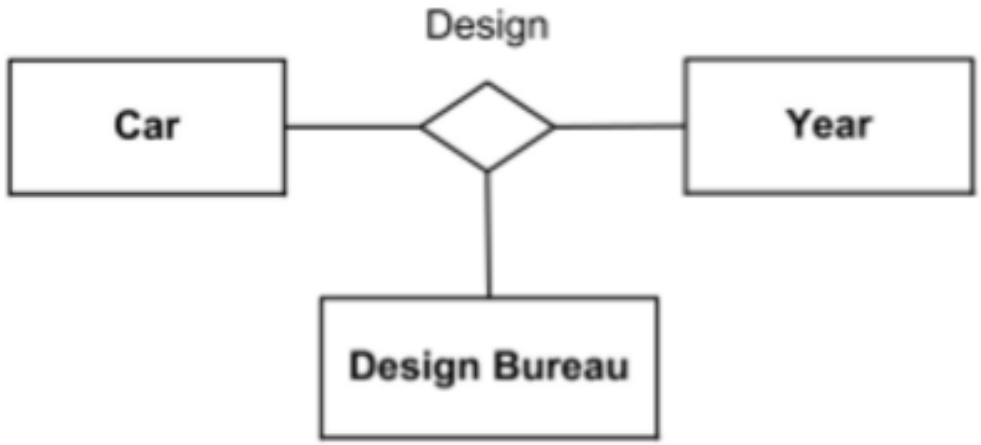
Arity – N-ary Association

- **N-ary association** may be drawn as a diamond (larger than a terminator on a line) with a solid line for each association end connecting the diamond to the classifier that is the end's type
- N-ary association with more than two ends can only be drawn the following way



Ternary association Design relates three classes

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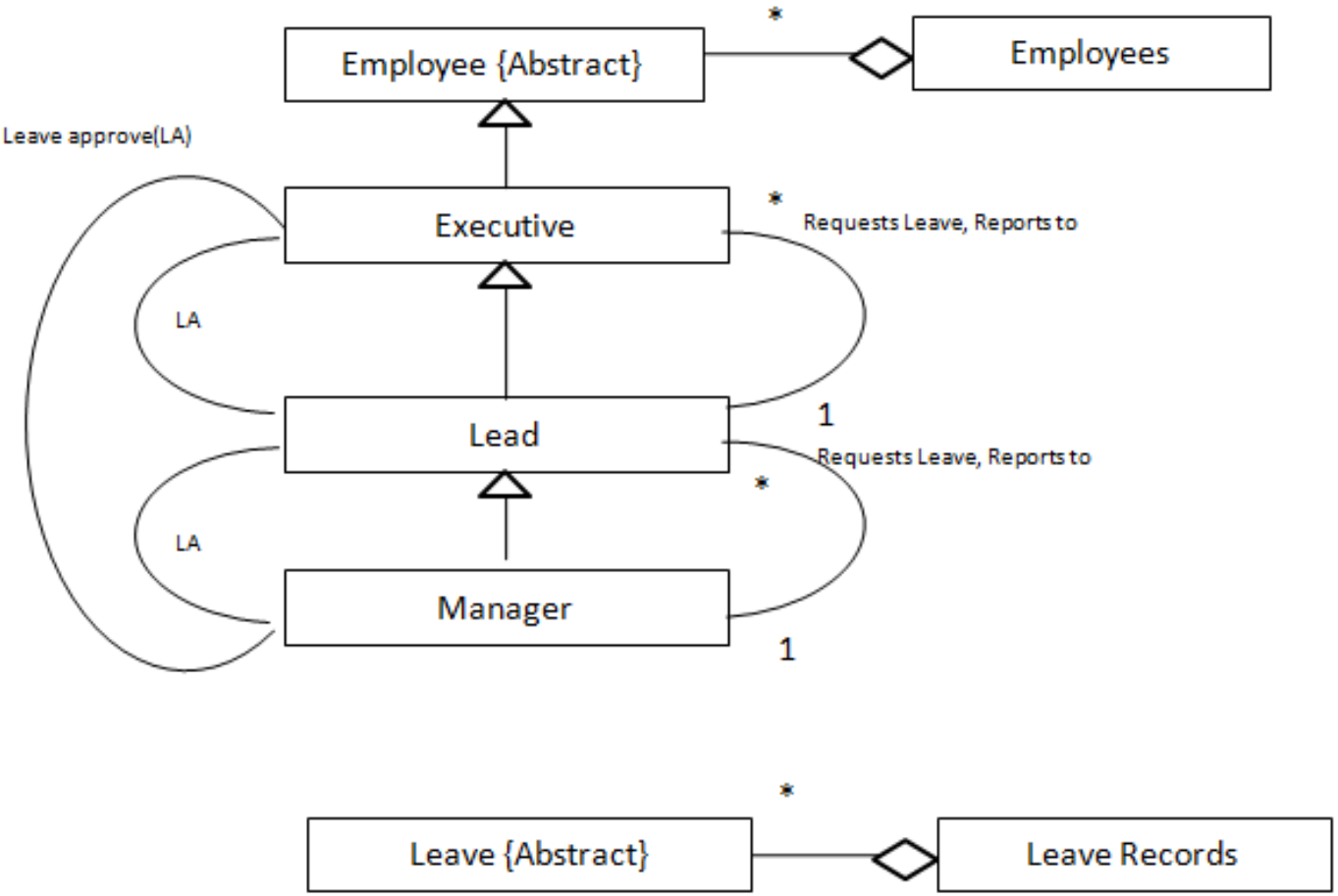
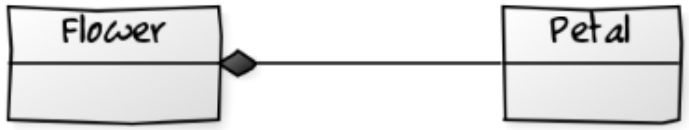
Associations in LMS



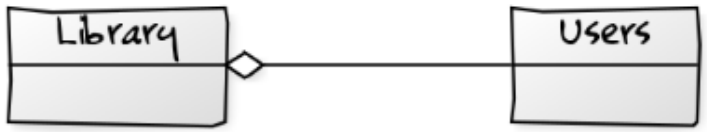
Associations in LMS

Aggregation (HAS_A): RECAP

- Whole / Part relationships
  - Say, we model Flower HAS_A Petal
  - Flower contains many Petals
  - Flower is the Whole, Petal is the Part
  - Depicted as:



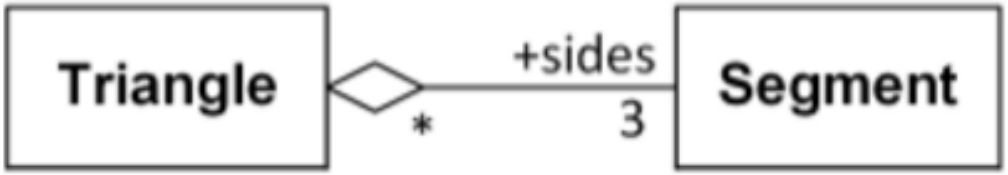
  - Physical Containment – Composition / Strong Aggregation
- Member relationship
  - Say, we model Library HAS Users
  - Library enrolls many Users
  - Library does not contain the Users
  - Depicted as:



  - Conceptual Containment – Weak Aggregation

Weak Aggregation

- Weak aggregation is depicted as an association decorated with a hollow diamond at the aggregate end of the association line



Triangle has 'sides' collection of three line Segments
Each line Segment could be part of none, one, or several triangles

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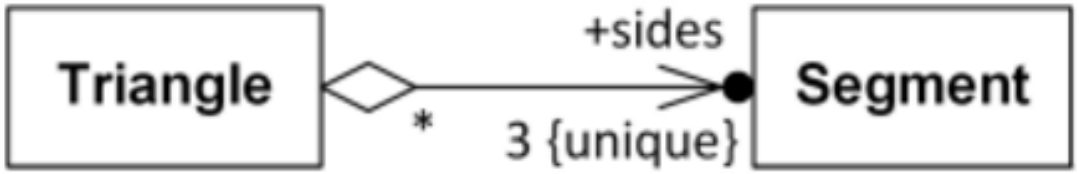
Weak Aggregation

- Weak aggregation could be depicted together with navigability and association end ownership



Triangle has 'sides' collection of three unique line Segments.
Line segments are navigable from Triangle.
Association end 'sides' is owned by Triangle, not by association itself

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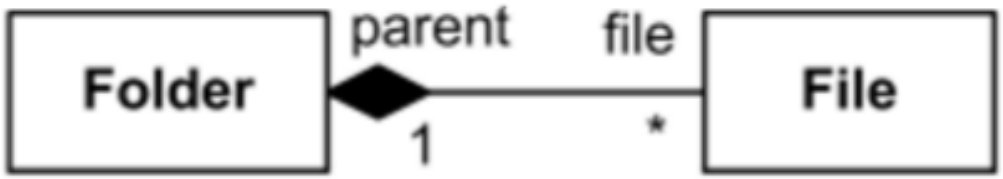
Strong Aggregation (Composition)

- Strong aggregation (Composition) is depicted as a binary association decorated with a filled black diamond at the aggregate (whole) end.



Folder could contain many files, while each File has exactly one Folder parent

If Folder is deleted, all contained Files are deleted as well

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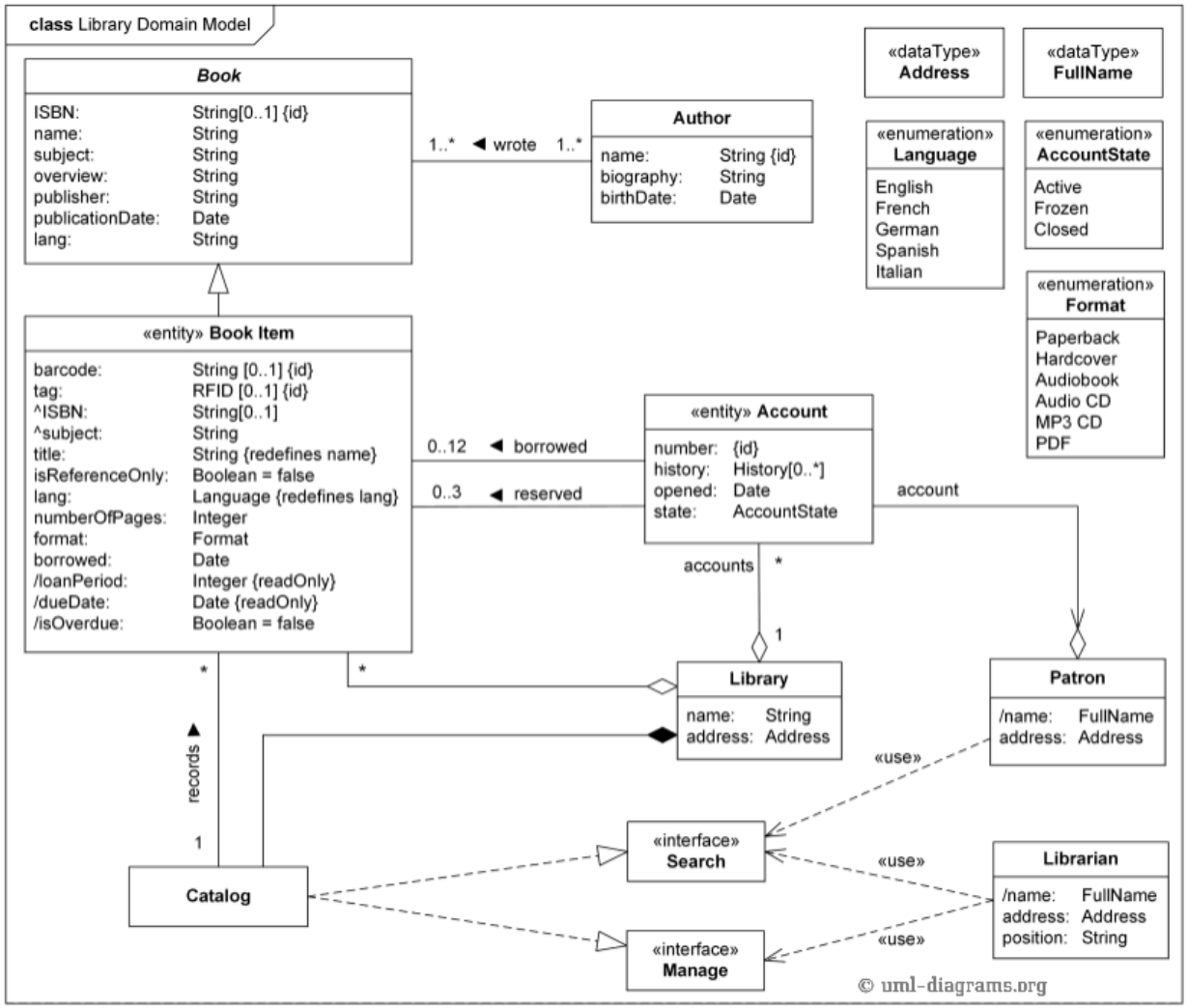
Library Domain Model



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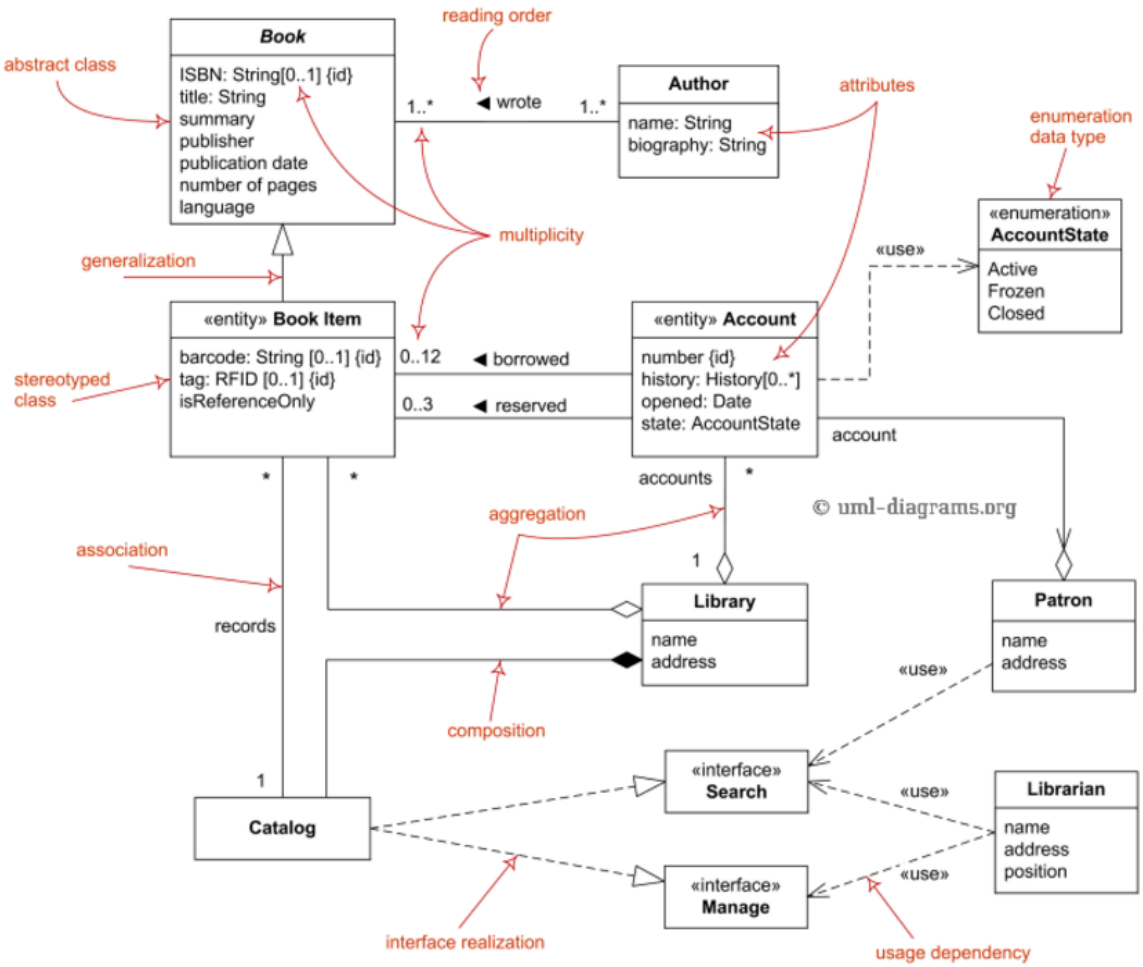

Domain diagram overview - classes, interfaces, associations, usage, realization, multiplicity.

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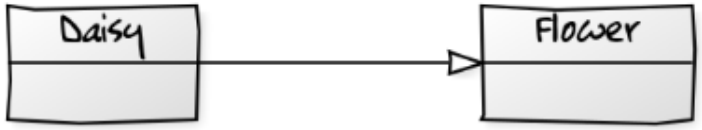
Inheritance (IS_A): RECAP

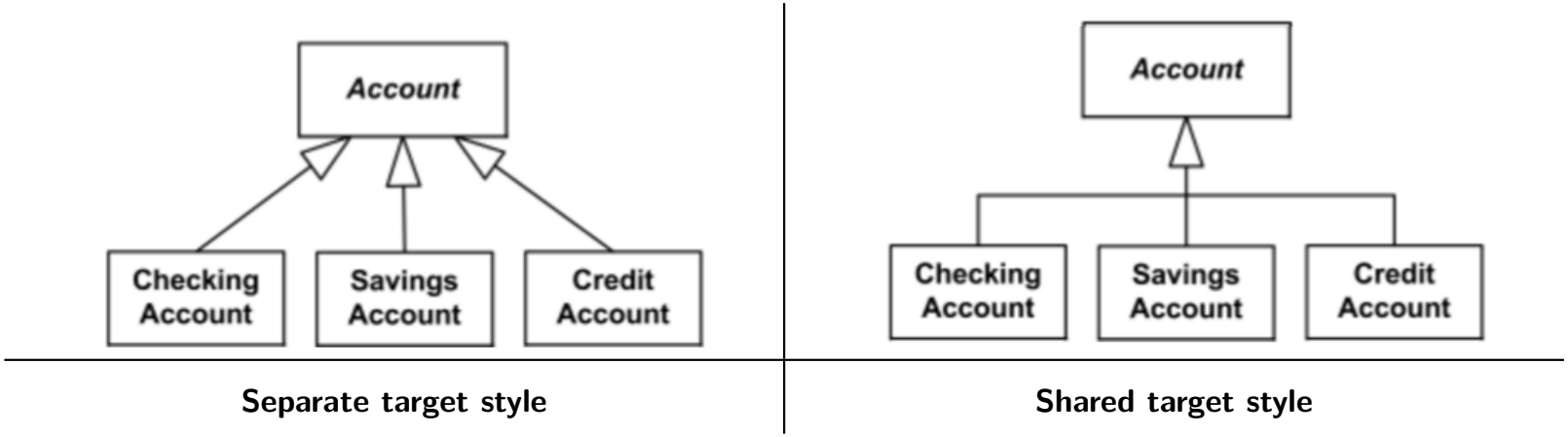
- Generalization / Specialization relationships
  - Say, we model Daisy IS_A Flower
  - Daisy will inherit the properties of Flower, and have some more of its own
  - Flower is the Generalization
  - Daisy is the Specialization
  - Depicted as:



- Semantically most interesting
- Can *delegate* behavior to related objects
- Comes in a number of flavors
  - Single / Multilevel / Hierarchical Inheritance
  - Multiple Inheritance
  - Hybrid Inheritance

Generalization

- A generalization is shown as a line with a hollow triangle as an arrowhead



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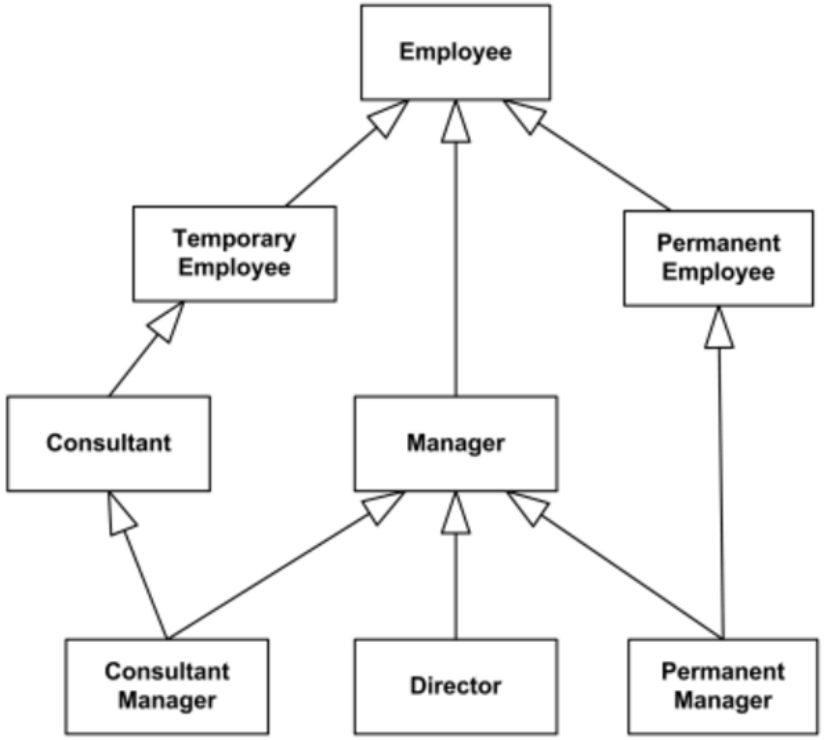
Multiple Inheritance

- Multiple inheritance is implicitly allowed by UML standard, while the standard provides no definition of what it is.



Multiple inheritance for Consultant Manager and Permanent Manager – both inherit from two classes

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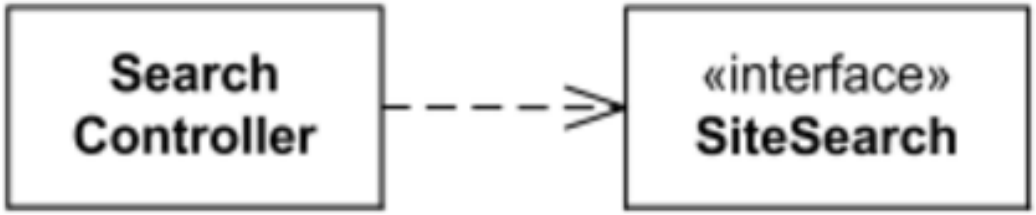
Dependency

- Dependency is a directed relationship which is used to show that some UML element or a set of elements requires, needs or depends on other model elements for specification or implementation



Class SearchController depends on (requires) SiteSearch interface

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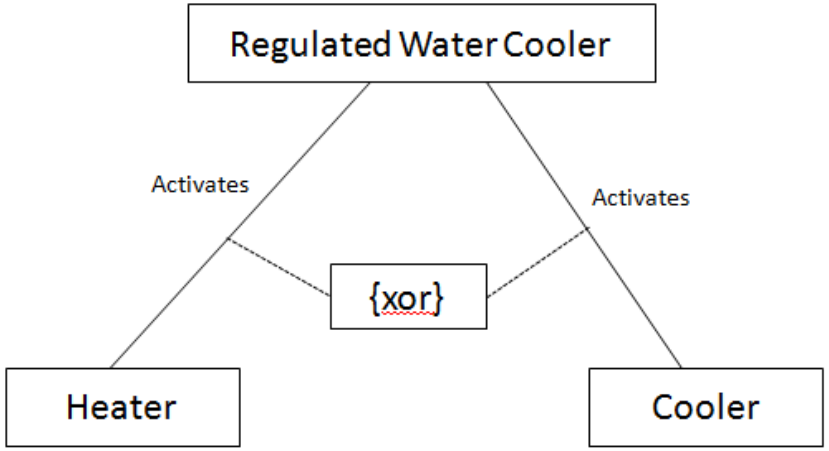
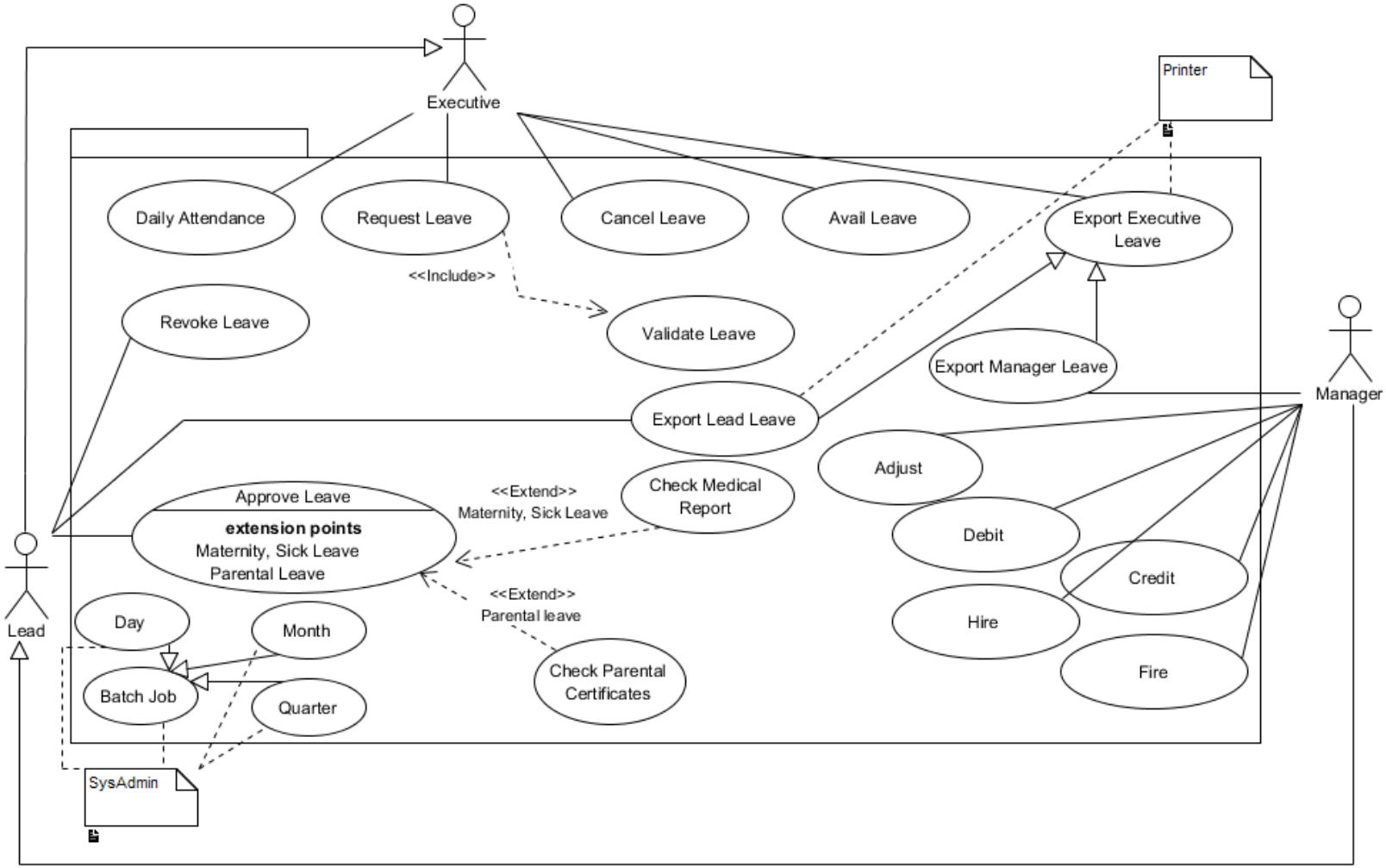
Constraints

Constraint on Vendor List



Constraint on Activation of Heater and Cooler

Use-Case Diagram for LMS RECAP (Module 25)



Not all use-cases are shown in details

Class Diagram for LMS

We now derive the Class Diagram for LMS. The steps involved are:

- Identify Classes {Abstract Classes}
- Identify Properties and Operations
- Identify the Relationships among Classes
- Class Diagram

Identification of Classes {Abstract Classes}

- Reading through the specification of the Leave Management System, we identify the various instances, that is, objects
- We categorize them into two abstract classes: Employee and Leave

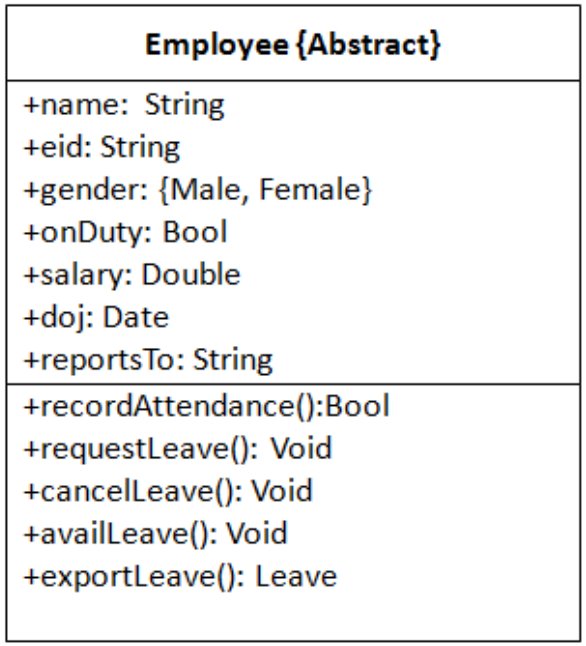
Identification of Properties

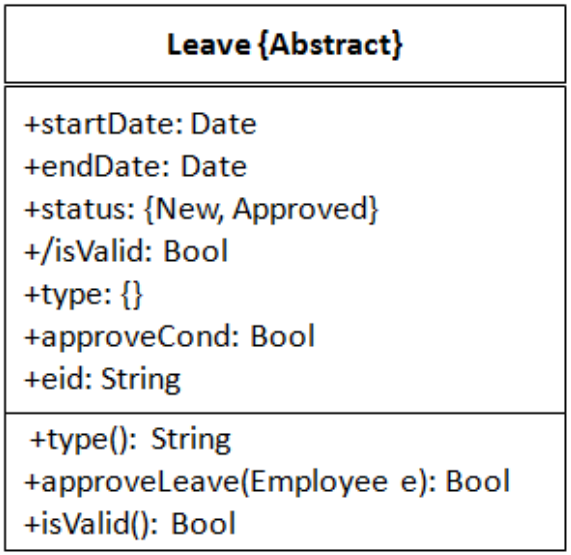
Properties of the two abstract class of LMS

Employee {Abstract}
+name: String +eid: String +gender: {Male, Female} +onDuty: Bool +salary: Double +doj: Date +reportsTo: String

Leave {Abstract}
+startDate: Date +endDate: Date +status: {New, Approved} +/isValid: Bool +type: {} +approveCond: Bool +eid: String

Identification of Operations





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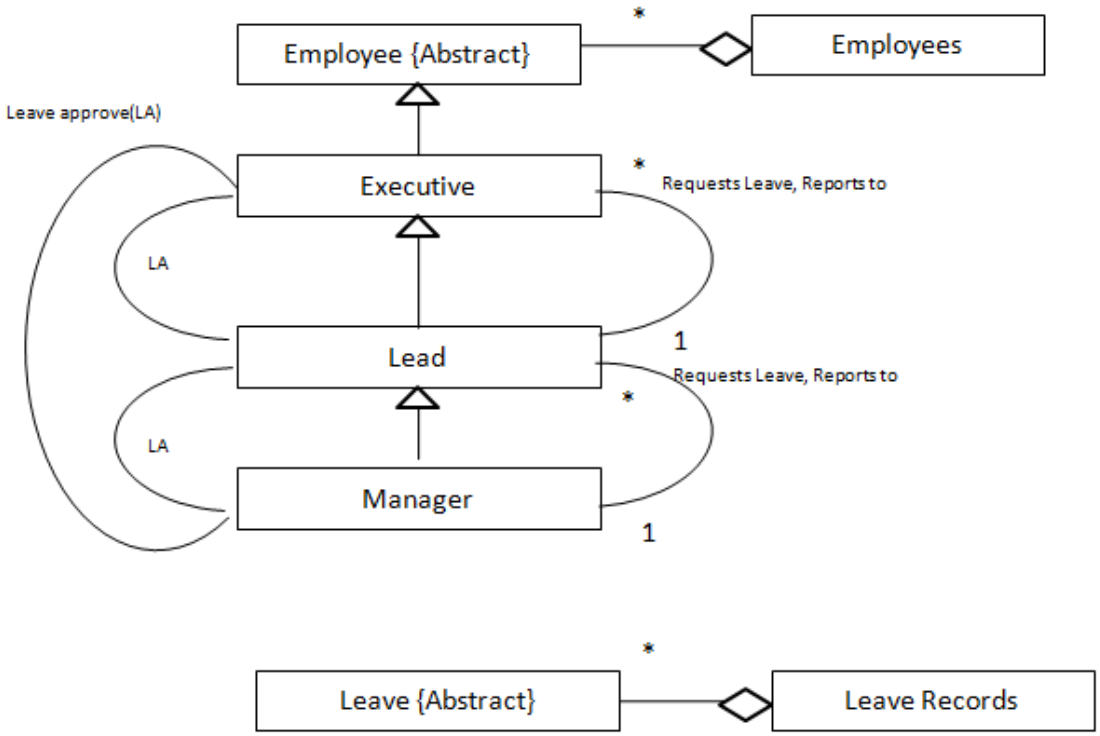

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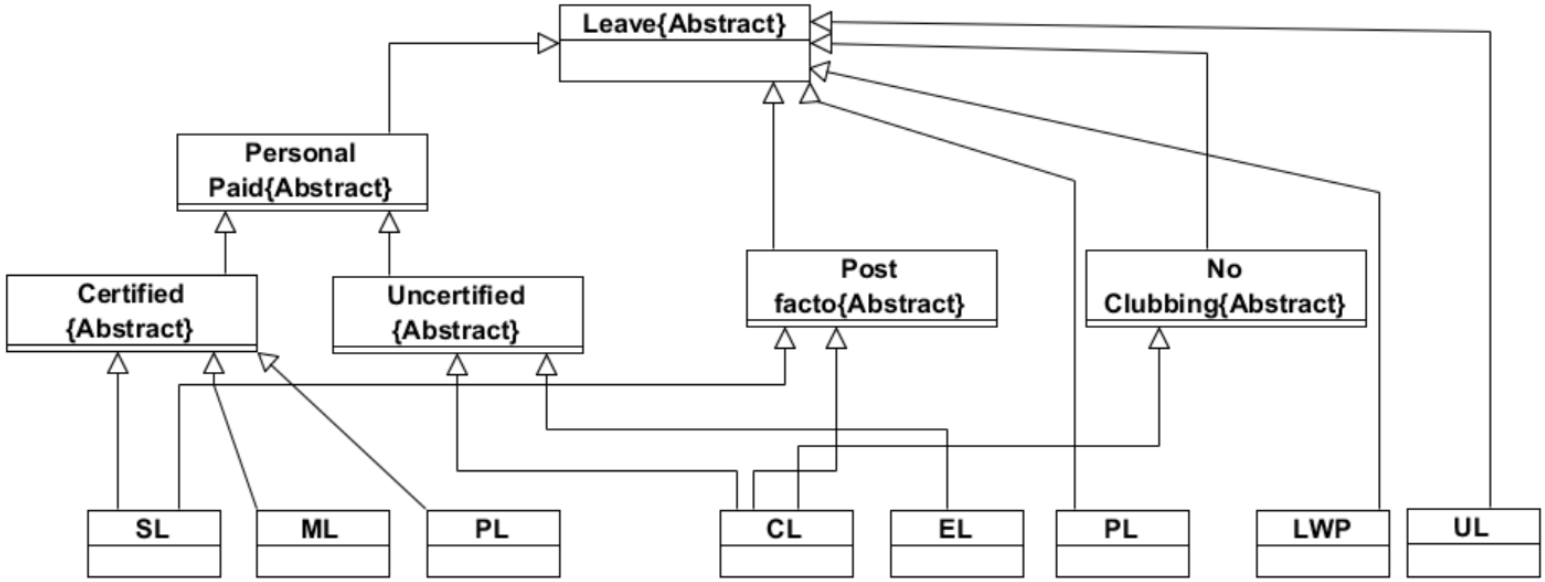
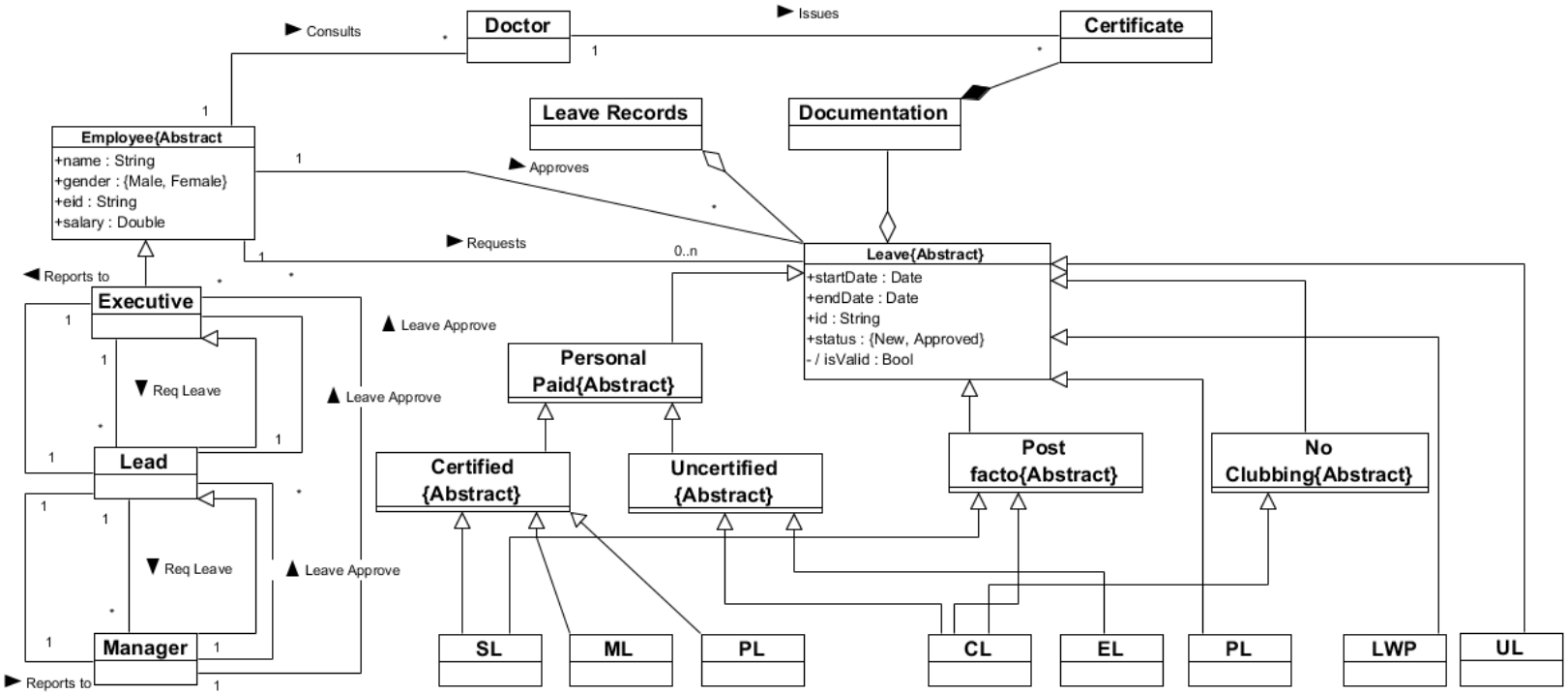


LMS Class Diagram (Partial)



Module Summary

- Class diagrams are introduced
- Representations for properties and operations are discussed
- An example is used for detailed illustration
- Association Relationships among classes are discussed
- Weak Aggregation and Strong Aggregation are important binary associations