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Mastering Object-Oriented Analysis and Design
with UML 2.0
Module 13: Class Design





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Objectives: Class Design

- ♦ Define the purpose of Class Design and where in the lifecycle it is performed
- ♦ Identify additional classes and relationships needed to support implementation of the chosen architectural mechanisms
- ♦ Identify and analyze state transitions in objects of state-controlled classes
- ♦ Refine relationships, operations, and attributes

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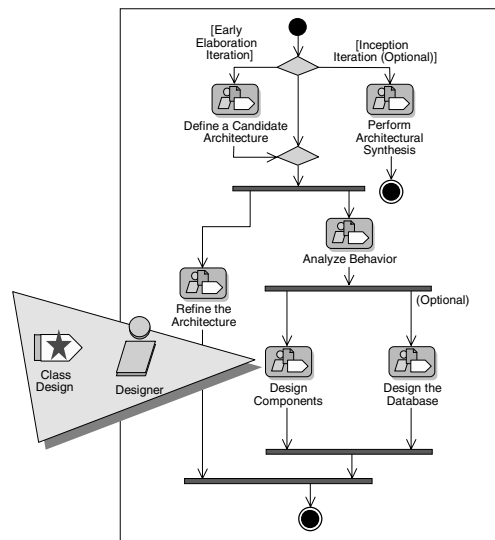
In **Class Design**, the focus is on fleshing out the details of a particular class (for example, what operations and classes need to be added to support, and how do they collaborate to support, the responsibilities allocated to the class).

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While **Class Design** is not always easy, a lot of it is. All of the hard work has been done — the definition of the architectural views, the development of the Use-Case Realizations (the identification of the abstractions/classes that will implement the system, and their responsibilities). **Class Design** is where you put the “icing on the cake,” fleshing out signatures and class details.

Class Design in Context



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As you may recall, the above diagram illustrates the workflow that we are using in this course. It is a tailored version of the Analysis and Design core workflow of the Rational Unified Process.

Identify Design Elements is where you decide what the infrastructure is. The infrastructure is the pieces of the architecture, if you will, and how they interact. Use-Case Design is where the responsibilities of the system are allocated to the pieces. Subsystem Design and **Class Design** are where you detail the specifics of the pieces.

During **Class Design**, you take into account the implementation and deployment environments. You may need to adjust the classes to the particular products in use, the programming languages, distribution, adaptation to physical constraints (for example, limited memory), performance, use of component environments such as COM or CORBA, and other implementation technologies.

There is frequent iteration between **Class Design**, Subsystem Design, and Use-Case Design.

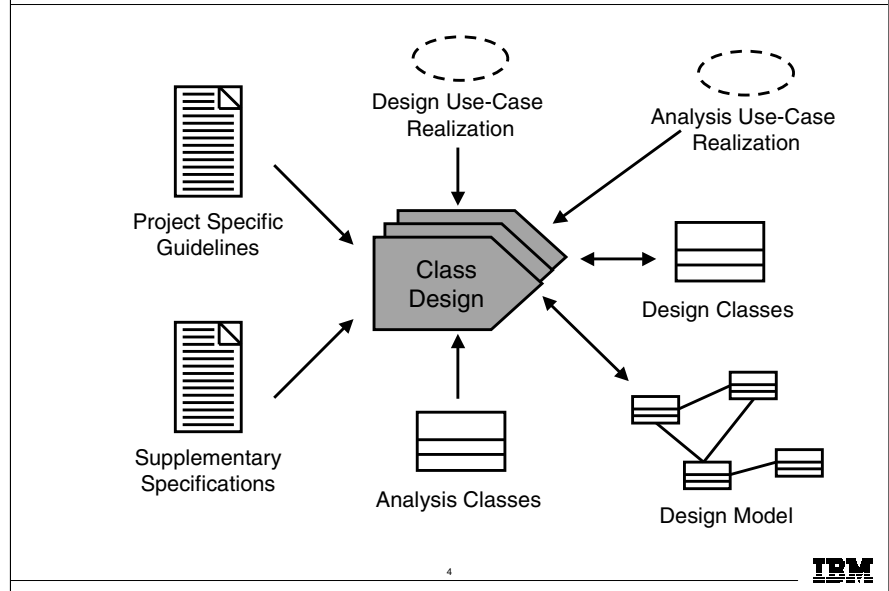
Class Design is performed for each class in the current iteration.

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Remember, analysis classes (originally identified in Use-Case Analysis) were morphed into design classes during Identify Design Elements.

Class Design Overview



Purpose:

- Ensure that the classes provide the behavior the Use-Case Realizations require.
- Ensure that sufficient information is provided to implement the class.
- Handle non-functional requirements related to the class.
- Incorporate the design mechanisms used by the class.

Input Artifacts:

- Supplementary Specifications
- Project Specific Guidelines
- Analysis Classes
- Analysis use-case realization
- Design classes
- Design Model
- Design use-case realization

Resulting Artifacts:

- Design classes
- Design Model

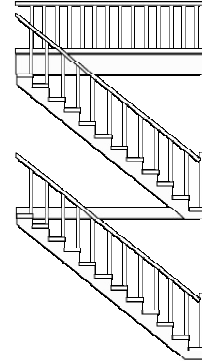
The detailed steps performed during this activity are summarized on the next page, and described in the remainder of this module.

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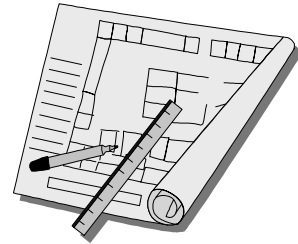
The **Class Design** steps that you will address in this module are listed above.

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At this point, we create one or several (initial) design classes from the original design classes given as input to this activity. The design classes created in this step will be refined, adjusted, split and/or merged in the subsequent steps when assigned various "design" properties, such as operations, methods, and a state machine, describing how the class is designed.

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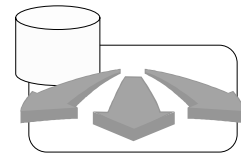
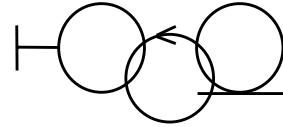
During design, you are more concerned with taking the analysis model and refining it to meet implementation demands such as language and environment. Thus, the analysis stereotypes become less of an issue. Once you get into design, down to the widget and gizmo level, many of the “analysis” classes have long since morphed into other things, or their responsibilities have been scattered among a handful of classes.

An analogy might be cells in an organism. From a high-level perspective, it's useful to characterize them according to their role: epidermal, neuron, and muscle. At a cellular chemistry level, these distinctions are not as important when we are looking at how each cell works, since there are many kinds of neurons, etc.

The available design mechanisms were identified, characterized, and mapped to the analysis mechanisms by the architect during the Identify Design Mechanisms activity.

Class Design Considerations

- ♦ **Class stereotype**
 - Boundary
 - Entity
 - Control
- ♦ **Applicable design patterns**
- ♦ **Architectural mechanisms**
 - Persistence
 - Distribution
 - etc.



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When performing **Class Design**, you need to consider:

- How the classes that were identified in analysis as boundary, control, and entity classes will be realized in the implementation.
- How design patterns can be used to help solve implementation issues.
- How the architectural mechanisms will be realized in terms of the defined design classes.

Specific strategies can be used to design a class, depending on its original analysis stereotype (boundary, control, and entity). These stereotypes are most useful during Use-Case Analysis when identifying classes and allocating responsibility. At this point in design, you really no longer need to make the distinction — the purpose of the distinction was to get you to think about the roles objects play, and make sure that you separate behavior according to the forces that cause objects to change. Once you have considered these forces and have a good class decomposition, the distinction is no longer really useful.

Here the class is refined to incorporate the architectural mechanisms.

When you identify a new class, make an initial pass at its relationships. These are just the initial associations that tie the new classes into the existing class structure. These will be refined throughout **Class Design**.

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Discuss with the students the proper size of a class. Emphasize that it's best to have simple classes.

How Many Classes Are Needed?

- ♦ Many, simple classes means that each class
 - Encapsulates less of the overall system intelligence
 - Is more reusable
 - Is easier to implement
- ♦ A few, complex classes means that each class
 - Encapsulates a large portion of the overall system intelligence
 - Is less likely to be reusable
 - Is more difficult to implement

A class should have a single well-focused purpose.
A class should do one thing and do it well!

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These are some things you should think about as you define additional classes.

The proper size of a class depends heavily on the implementation environment. Classes should map directly to some phenomenon in the implementation language in such a way that the mapping results in good code.

With that said, you should design as if you had classes and encapsulation even if your implementation language does not support it. This will help keep the structure easy to understand and modify.

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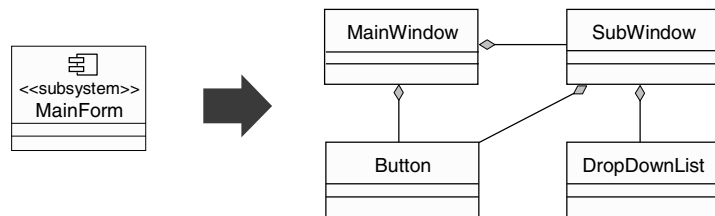
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Remember: Boundary classes manage the interface communications between actors and the system. They provide the capability to send and receive information from outside the system. Interaction diagrams provide a good source for interface requirements: Something in the system must provide the capability to receive all “messages” coming from an actor, and something in the system must provide the capability to send all “messages” going to an actor. This “something” is the defined boundary classes.

GUI design can actually be started early in the project. UI prototyping is sometimes done in conjunction with use-case development — it can be an excellent requirements elicitation technique. GUI design could be done in a 4GL, reverse engineered and then incorporated into your application design model. The goal is to use the tool best suited for the job. GUI design is out of the scope of this course, so for our examples, the analysis boundary classes will remain “as is” design. Remind the students of the design of the Main application forms in Identify Design Elements.

Strategies for Designing Boundary Classes

- ◆ User interface (UI) boundary classes
 - What user interface development tools will be used?
 - How much of the interface can be created by the development tool?
- ◆ External system interface boundary classes
 - Usually model as subsystem



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During Analysis, high-level boundary classes are identified. During Design, the design must be completed. You may need to create additional classes to support actual GUI and external system interactions.

Some mechanisms used to implement the UI can be architecturally significant. These should be identified and described by the architect in the Identify Design Mechanisms activity, and applied by the designer here in the **Class Design** activity. Design of user interface boundary classes will depend on the user interface development tools being used on the project. You only need design what the development environment will not automatically create for you. All GUI builders are different. Some create objects containing the information from the window. Others create data structures with the information. Any prototyping of the user interface done earlier is a good starting point for this phase of design.

Since interfaces to external systems usually have complex internal behavior, they are typically modeled as subsystems. If the interface is less complex, such as a pass through to an existing API, you may represent it with one or more design classes. In the latter case, use a single design class per protocol, interface, or API.

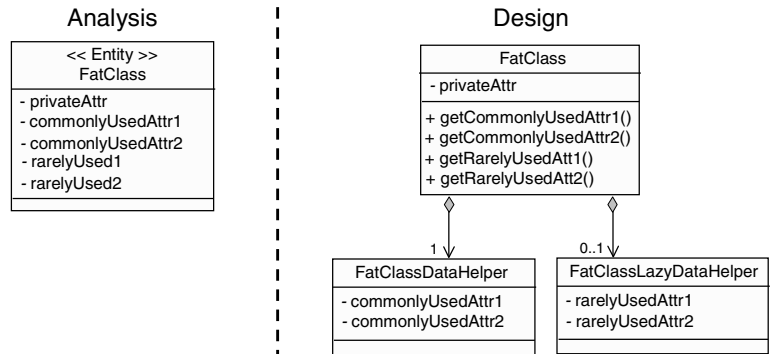
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Persistence mechanisms may also require some re-factoring – for example, when some of the data is to be stored in one place (for example, a relational database) and some is to be stored in another place (an OO database).

Strategies for Designing Entity Classes

- ♦ Entity objects are often passive and persistent
- ♦ Performance requirements may force some re-factoring



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During Analysis, entity classes may have been identified and associated with the analysis mechanism for persistence, representing manipulated units of information. Performance considerations may force some re-factoring of persistent classes, causing changes to the Design Model that are discussed jointly between the database designer and the designer responsible for the class. The details of a database-based persistence mechanism are designed during Database Design, which is beyond the scope of this course.

Here we have a persistent class with five attributes. One attribute is not really persistent; it is used at runtime for bookkeeping. From examining the use cases, we know that two of the attributes are used frequently. Two other attributes are used less frequently. During Design, we decide that we'd like to retrieve the commonly used attributes right away, but retrieve the rarely used ones only if some client asks for them. We do not want to make a complex design for the client, so, from a data standpoint, we will consider the `FatClass` to be a proxy in front of two real persistent data classes. It will retrieve the `FatClassDataHelper` from the database when it is first retrieved. It will only retrieve the `FatClassLazyDataHelper` from the database in the rare occasion that a client asks for one of the rarely used attributes.

Such behind-the-scenes implementation is an important part of tuning the system from a data-oriented perspective while retaining a logical object-oriented view for clients to use.

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Strategies for Designing Control Classes

- ♦ What happens to Control Classes?
 - Are they really needed?
 - Should they be split?
- ♦ How do you decide?
 - Complexity
 - Change probability
 - Distribution and performance
 - Transaction management



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If control classes seem to be just “pass-throughs” from the boundary classes to the entity classes, they may be eliminated.

Control classes may become true design classes for any of the following reasons:

- They encapsulate significant control flow behavior.
- The behavior they encapsulate is likely to change.
- The behavior must be distributed across multiple processes and/or processors.
- The behavior they encapsulate requires some transaction management.

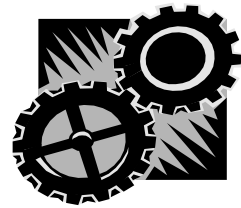
We saw in the Describe Distribution module how a single control class in Analysis became two classes in Design (a proxy and a remote). For our example, the control classes were needed in Design.

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At this point, an initial set of design classes has been identified. Now we can turn our attention to finalizing the responsibilities that have been allocated to those classes.

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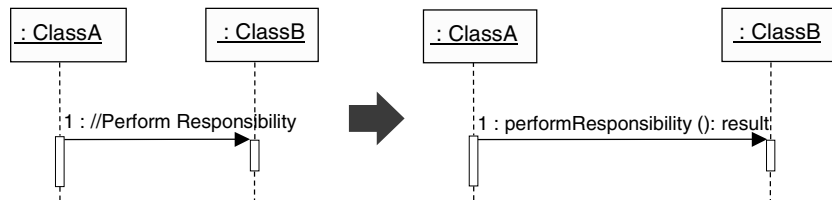
Emphasize how operations and attributes are domain dependent. As a quick in-class exercise: Pick a class, pick two different domains, pick two students, one for each domain, and have them choose relevant operations and attributes for the class.

Stress that because the process is use-case-driven, all discovered operations and attributes should support at least one use case. Thus, the attributes/operations that are discovered are affected by what functionality/domain you are modeling.

While discussing where to find operations, it is worth exploring with which object an operation belongs. You will find that the operation always goes in the supplier object. On the interaction diagram, the client is initiating a request from the supplier, so the supplier object/class has the operation. Some people, especially people used to functional decomposition, get this confused initially.

Operations: Where Do You Find Them?

♦ Messages displayed in interaction diagrams



♦ Other implementation dependent functionality

- Manager functions
- Need for class copies
- Need to test for equality

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To identify operations on design classes:

- Study the responsibilities of each corresponding analysis class, creating an operation for each responsibility. Use the description of the responsibility as the initial description of the operation.
- Study the Use-Case Realizations in the class participations to see how the operations are used by the Use-Case Realizations. Extend the operations, one Use-Case Realization at a time, refining the operations, their descriptions, return types and parameters. Each Use-Case Realization's requirements, as regards classes, are textually described in the Flow of Events of the Use-Case Realization.
- Study the use-case Special Requirements, to make sure that you do not miss implicit requirements on the operation that might be stated there.

Use-Case Realizations cannot provide enough information to identify all operations. To find the remaining operations, consider the following:

- Is there a way to initialize a new instance of the class, including connecting it to instances of other classes to which it is associated?
- Is there a need to test to see if two instances of the class are equivalent?
- Is there a need to create a copy of a class instance?
- Are any operations required on the class by mechanisms which they use? (Example: a "garbage collection" mechanism may require that an object be able to drop all of its references to all other objects in order for unused resources to be freed.)

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You can foreshadow a discussion of polymorphism here. Operations across classes that have the same signature and semantics should return the same type of result and have the same name, even if their implementation is different in each class.

Name and Describe the Operations

- ◆ Create appropriate operation names
 - Indicate the outcome
 - Use client perspective
 - Are consistent across classes
- ◆ Define operation signatures
 - `operationName([direction]parameter : class,..) : returnType`
 - Direction is **in** (default), **out** or **inout**
 - Provide short description, including meaning of all parameters

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Operations should be named to indicate their outcome. For example, `getBalance()` versus `calculateBalance()`. One approach for naming operations that get and set properties is to simply name the operation the same name as the property. If there is a parameter, it sets the property; if not, it returns the current value.

You should name operations from the perspective of the client asking for a service to be performed by the class. For example, `getBalance()` versus `receiveBalance()`. The same applies to the operation descriptions. Descriptions should always be written from the operation USER's perspective. What service does the operation provide?

It is best to specify the operations and their parameters using implementation language syntax and semantics. This way the interfaces will already be specified in terms of the implementation language when coding starts.

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Guidelines: Designing Operation Signatures

- ♦ When designing operation signatures, consider if parameters are:
 - Passed by value or by reference
 - Changed by the operation
 - Optional
 - Set to default values
 - In valid parameter ranges
- ♦ The fewer the parameters, the better
- ♦ Pass objects instead of “data bits”

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In addition to the short description of the parameter, be sure to include things like:

- Whether the parameter should be passed by value or by reference, and if by reference, is the parameter changed by the operation? By value means that the actual object is passed. By reference means that a pointer or reference to the object is passed.
The signature of the operation defines the interface to objects of that class, and the parameters should therefore be designed to promote and define what that interface is. For example, if a parameter should never be changed by the operation, then design it so that it is not possible to change it — if the implementation environment supports that type of design.
- Whether parameters may be optional and/or have default values when no value is provided.
- Whether the parameter has ranges of valid values.

The fewer parameters you have, the better. Fewer parameters help to promote understandability, as well as maintainability. The more parameters clients need to understand, the more tightly coupled the objects are likely to be conceptually.

One of the strengths of OO is that you can manipulate very rich data structures, complete with associated behavior. Rather than pass around individual data fields (for example, StudentID), strive to pass around the actual object (for example, Student). Then the recipient has access to all the properties and behavior of that object.

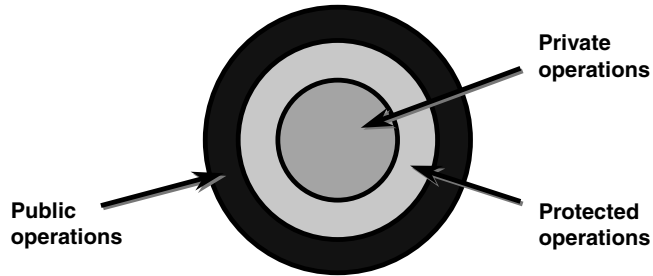
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Re-emphasize that you must define a good abstraction — you must think about what operations are public and private and you must think about encapsulation.

Operation Visibility

- ♦ Visibility is used to enforce encapsulation
- ♦ May be public, protected, or private



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Operation visibility is the realization of the key object-orientation principle of encapsulation.

Public members are accessible directly by any client.

Protected members are directly accessible only by instances of subclasses.

Private members are directly accessible only by instances of the class to which they are defined.

How do you decide what visibility to use? Look at the Interaction diagrams on which the operation is referenced. If the message is from outside of the object, use public. If it is from a subclass, use protected. If it's from itself, use private. You should define the most restrictive visibility possible that will still accomplish the objectives of the class. Client access should be granted explicitly by the class and not taken forcibly.

Visibility applies to attributes as well as operations. Attributes are discussed later in this module.

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Note that the UML Notation Guide explicitly states, “A tool may show the visibility indication in a different way, such as by using a special icon.” So, the usage of the graphical icons for export control is valid UML.

How Is Visibility Noted?

- ♦ The following symbols are used to specify export control:
 - + Public access
 - # Protected access
 - - Private access

Class1
- privateAttribute
+ publicAttribute
protectedAttribute
- privateOperation ()
+ publicOperation ()
protecteOperation ()

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In the UML, you can specify the access clients have to attributes and operations.

Export control is specified for attributes and operations by preceding the name of the member with the following symbols:

- + Public
- # Protected
- Private

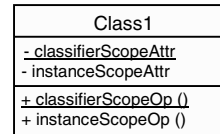
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You cannot underline the class scope operation and attribute names, but you can use an attribute and operation stereotype (for example, <<class>>) to denote class scope attributes and operations on a diagram.

Scope

- ◆ Determines number of instances of the attribute/operation
 - Instance: one instance for each class instance
 - Classifier: one instance for all class instances
- ◆ Classifier scope is denoted by underlining the attribute/operation name



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The owner scope of an attribute/operation determines whether or not the attribute/operation appears in each instance of the class (instance scoped), or if there is only one instance for all instances of the class (classifier scoped).

Classifier-scoped attributes and operations are denoted by underlining their names. Lack of an underline indicates instance-scoped attributes and operations.

Classifier-scoped attributes are shared among all instances of the classifier type.

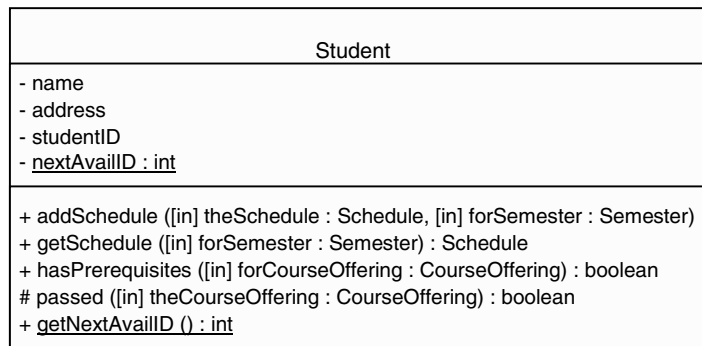
In most cases, attributes and operations are instance scoped. However, if there is a need to have a single instance of an operation, say to generate a unique ID among class instances, or to create a class instance, the classifier scope operations can be used.

Classifier-scoped operations can only access classifier-scoped attributes.

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Example: Scope



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In the above example, there is a single classifier-scoped attribute, `nextAvailID`, and a single classifier-scoped operation, `getNextAvailID()`. These classifier-scoped class features support the generation of a unique ID for each Student.

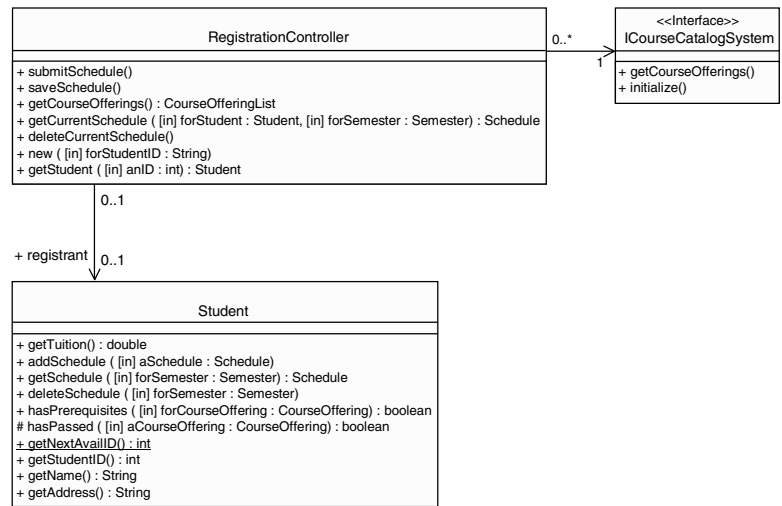
Each Student instance has its own unique `StudentID`, whereas, there is only one `nextAvailID` for all Student instances.

The `getNextAvailID()` classifier-scoped operation can only access the classifier scope attribute `nextAvailID`.

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Example: Define Operations



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This example is a portion of the VOPC for the Register for Courses Use-Case Realization.

Notice the `<<class>>` operations.

Those operations marked with a '+' are public and can be invoked by clients of the class.

Those operations marked with a # are protected and can only be invoked by the defining class and any subclasses. These operations usually correspond to reflexive operations on the interaction diagrams.

The dependency from the Student class to the CourseOfferingClass was added to support the inclusion of the CourseOffering as a parameter to operations within the Student class.

Semester is included as the type for several parameters in the Student operations. For the Course Registration System, it is considered to be an abstract data type that has no significant behavior and thus is not modeled as a separate class.

Note: The attribute compartment has been suppressed in the above diagram.

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Once the operations have been defined, some additional information may need to be documented for the class implementers.

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Operations define the signature for the behavior, while the method defines the implementation.

Define Methods

- ♦ What is a method?
 - Describes operation implementation
- ♦ Purpose
 - Define special aspects of operation implementation
- ♦ Things to consider:
 - Special algorithms
 - Other objects and operations to be used
 - How attributes and parameters are to be implemented and used
 - How relationships are to be implemented and used

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A method specifies the implementation of an operation. It describes *how* the operation works, not just *what* it does.

The method, if described, should discuss:

- How operations are to be implemented.
- How attributes are to be implemented and used to implement operations.
- How relationships are to be implemented and used to implement operations.

The requirements will naturally vary from case to case. However, the method specifications for a class should always state:

- What is to be done according to the requirements.
- What other objects and operations are to be used.

More specific requirements may concern:

- How parameters are to be implemented.
- Any special algorithms to be used.

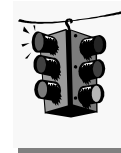
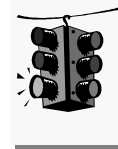
In many cases, where the behavior required by the operation is sufficiently defined by the operation name, description and parameters, the methods are implemented directly in the programming language. Where the implementation of an operation requires use of a specific algorithm, or requires more information than is presented in the operation's description, a separate method description is required.

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Now that we have a pretty clear understanding of the functionality provided by each of the classes, we can determine which of these classes have significant state behavior and model that behavior.

Note: State machines diagrams are specific to a class and are important during detailed design, so they are presented here in **Class Design**. However, state machines may be developed at any point in the software development lifecycle.

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This is a good point to get some interactive review, by asking the class to define what a state is and why it is important.

The state of an object is one of the possible conditions in which an object may exist.

Define States

- ♦ **Purpose**
 - Design how an object's state affects its behavior
 - Develop state machines to model this behavior
- ♦ **Things to consider:**
 - Which objects have significant state?
 - How to determine an object's possible states?
 - How do state machines map to the rest of the model?

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The state an object resides in is a computational state, and is defined by the stimuli the object can receive and what operations can be performed as a result. An object that can reside in many computational states is state-controlled.

For each class exhibiting state-controlled behavior, describe the relations between an object's states and an object's operations.

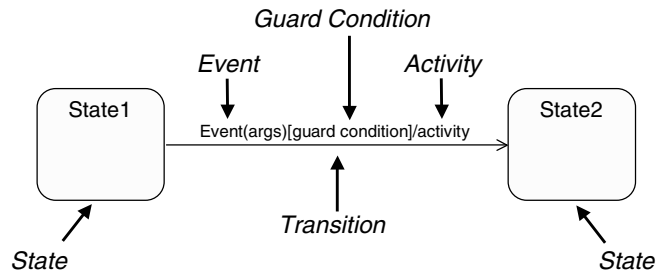
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The use of state machines vary widely: Some projects use them very extensively, while other projects may have only one or two, maybe even none. State machines should be used when they help to better understand and communicate the analysis and design of the project. Not all objects require state machines. If an object's behavior is simple, such that it simply stores or retrieves data, the behavior of the object is state-invariant and its state machine is of little interest. State machines may be specified for classes, subsystems, interfaces, protocols, use cases, and entire systems. State machines can also be used during early analysis if you need to model the state-controlled behavior of an analysis class. Briefly describe the icon representations in the diagram. Each of the state machine elements will be discussed on subsequent slides.

What is a State Machine?

- ♦ A directed graph of states (nodes) connected by transitions (directed arcs)
- ♦ Describes the life history of a reactive object



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A state machine is a tool for describing:

- States the object can assume.
- Events that cause an object to transition from state to state.
- Significant activities and actions that occur as a result.

A state machine is a diagram used to show the life history of a given class, the events that cause a transition from one state to another, and the actions that result from a state change. State machines emphasize the event-ordered behavior of a class instance.

The state space of a given class is the enumeration of all the possible states of an object.

A **state** is a condition in the life of an object. The state of an object determines its response to different events.

An **event** is a specific occurrence (in time and space) of a stimulus that can trigger a state transition.

A **transition** is a change from an originating state to a successor state as a result of some stimulus. The successor state could possibly be the originating state. A transition may take place in response to an event, and can be labeled with an event.

A **guard condition** is a Boolean expression of attribute values that allows a transition only if the condition is true.

An **action** is an atomic execution that results in a change in state, or the return of a value.

An **activity** is a non-atomic execution within a state machine.

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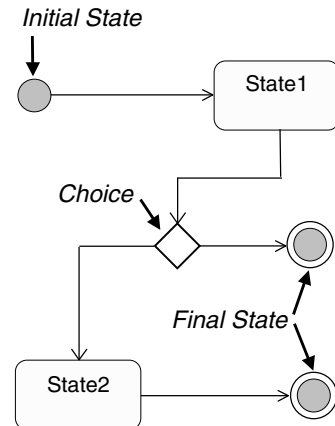
There is exactly one start state and 0..* end states.

To emphasize why a start state is mandatory, ask the students to think about how they would read a diagram with no start state.

Re: "Only one initial state is permitted." This is not strictly true. When you have nested states, there can be an initial state within each nested state in addition to the one outside of them.

Pseudo States

- ♦ **Initial state**
 - The state entered when an object is created
 - Mandatory, can only have one initial state
- ♦ **Choice**
 - Dynamic evaluation of subsequent guard conditions
 - Only first segment has a trigger
- ♦ **Final state**
 - Indicates the object's end of life
 - Optional, may have more than one



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The initial state is the state entered when an object is created

- An initial state is mandatory.
- Only one initial state is permitted.
- The initial state is represented as a solid circle.

A final state indicates the end of life for an object

- A final state is optional.
- More than one final state may exist.
- A final state is indicated by a bull's eye.

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Instructor Notes:

Identify and Define the States

- ♦ Significant, dynamic attributes

The maximum number of students per course offering is 10

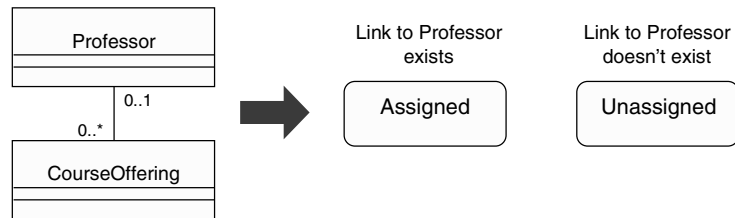
numStudents < 10

numStudents >= 10

Open

Closed

- ♦ Existence and non-existence of certain links



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The states of an object can be found by looking at its class' attributes and relationships with other classes.

Do not forget to establish the initial and final states for the object. If there are pre-conditions or post-conditions of the initial and final states, define those as well.

It is important not only to identify the different states, but also to explicitly define what it means to be in a particular state.

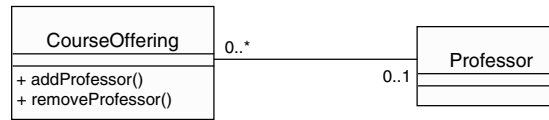
The above example demonstrates two states of a CourseOffering class instance. A CourseOffering instance may have a Professor assigned to teach it or not (hence the multiplicity of 0..1 on the Professor end of the CourseOffering-Professor association). If a Professor has been assigned to the CourseOffering instance, the state of the CourseOffering instance is "Assigned." If a Professor has not been assigned to the CourseOffering instance, the state of the CourseOffering instance is "Unassigned."

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Instructor Notes:

Identify the Events

- ♦ Look at the class interface operations



Events: addProfessor,
removeProfessor

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Determine the events to which the object responds. These can be found in the object's interfaces or protocols.

The class must respond to all messages coming into the class instances on all of the interaction diagrams. These messages should correspond to operations on the associated classes. Thus, looking at the class interface operations provides an excellent source for the events the class instance must respond to.

In the above example, two of the CourseOffering operations are addProfessor() and removeProfessor. Each of these operations can be considered an event that a CourseOffering instance must respond to.

Note: A subset of the CourseOffering behavior is shown above.

Events are not operations, although they often map 1 to 1. Remember: Events and operations are not the same thing.

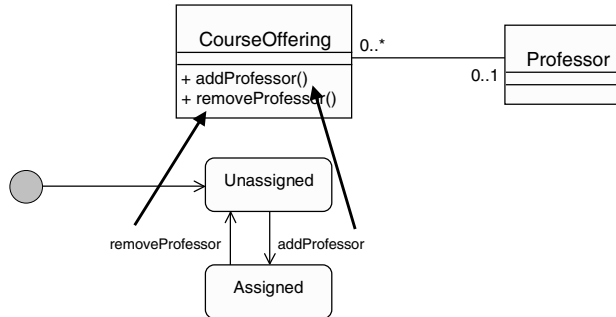
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Instructor Notes:

The dashed lines show how the transition events can be traced to an operation. This is not UML.

Identify the Transitions

- ♦ For each state, determine what events cause transitions to what states, including guard conditions, when needed
- ♦ Transitions describe what happens in response to the receipt of an event



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From the initial state to the final state, lay out the top-level states the object may be in. Connect these states with transitions triggered by the appropriate events. Continue by adding these transitions.

If there are multiple automatic transitions, each transition needs a guard condition. The conditions must be mutually exclusive.

Each state transition event can be associated with an operation. Depending on the object's state, the operation may have a different behavior. The transition events describe how this occurs.

In the above example, when a **CourseOffering** instance is **Unassigned** (meaning a **Professor** has not been assigned to teach it yet), and the instance receives an `addProfessor` event, the **CourseOffering** instance transitions into the **Assigned** state. Conversely, when a **CourseOffering** instance is **Assigned** (meaning a **Professor** has been assigned to teach it), and the instance receives a “`removeProfessor`” event, the **CourseOffering** instance transitions into the **Unassigned** state.

Note: A subset of the **CourseOffering** behavior is shown above.

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Instructor Notes:

Key concepts:

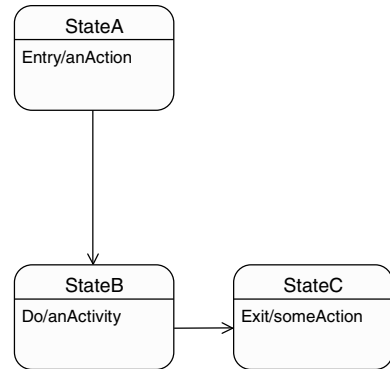
- Actions
- Entry and Exit Actions
- Activities
- Automatic transitions

Activities are interruptible; actions are not. If an action can be interrupted by an event, a new state must be defined. Activities are associated with a state; actions are associated with transitions. This holds for entry and exit actions – entry actions occur for every transition into a state, and exit actions occur for every transition out of a state.

Mealy and Moore diagrams are kinds of state machines. A Mealy machine is a state machine whose actions are attached to transitions; a Moore machine is a state machine whose actions are attached to states. In practice, you typically have a mixture. The UML's state machines support either style.

Add Activities

- ♦ **Entry**
 - Executed when the state is entered
- ♦ **Do**
 - Ongoing execution
- ♦ **Exit**
 - Executed when the state is exited



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Entry Activity – Executed when the state is entered, after any activity associated with an incoming transition and before any internal Do activity.

Do Activity – An ongoing activity that is executed as long as the state is active.

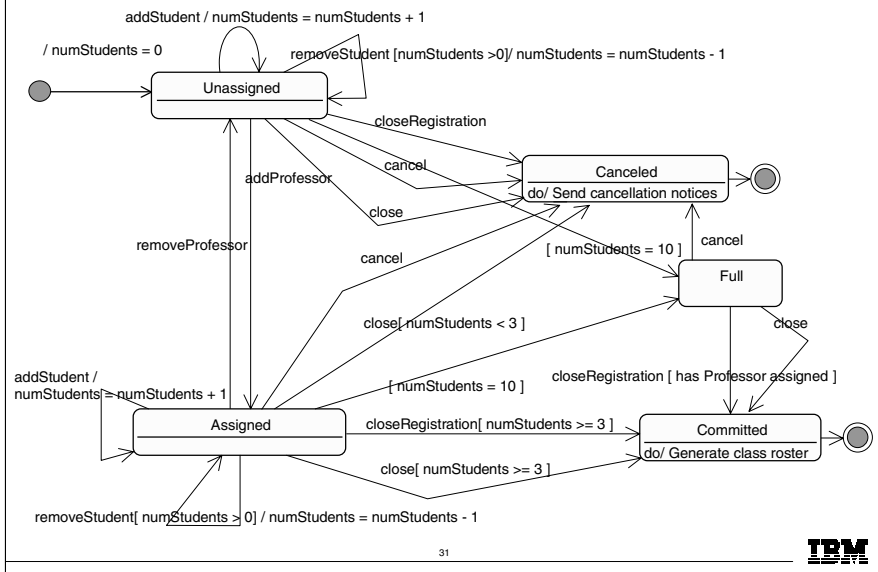
Exit Activity – Executed when the state is exited, after completion of any internal Do activity and before any activity associated with an outgoing transition.

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Instructor Notes:

This diagram is not in the example model. (The example model on the next slide has nested states with history state machines.)

Example: State Machine



The above is a state machine for the CourseOffering class. Here are some things to note about it:

- A student can be added or removed from the course offering when the course offering is in the assigned or unassigned state.
- The closing of a course occurs in two phases:

Close registration is where course offerings are committed if they have a professor and enough students or canceled if there is no professor. At this point, the course offering is not closed due to low enrollment because during schedule leveling, students may be added or removed from the course offering. Leveling is where it is verified that the maximum number of selected course offerings have been committed by selecting alternates, where necessary.

Close is where the final status of a course offering is determined. If there is a professor and there are enough students, the course offering is committed. If not, the course offering is canceled. This is meant to occur after leveling.

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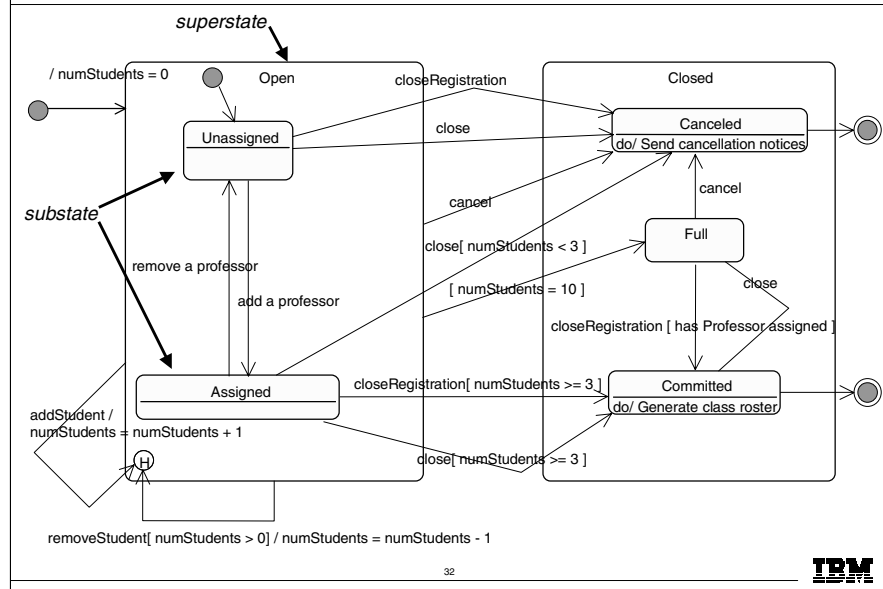
This is the state machine that is in the example model.

Nested states can lead to substantial reduction of graphical complexity, allowing us to model larger and more complex problems.

The Closed superstate was defined to simplify the diagram (no add or remove events supported by this superstate and its substates). The Closed superstate is used for packaging reasons only (“Canceled” and “Committed” are two “flavors” of Closed).

“From a source outside an enclosing composite state, a transition may target the composite state or it may target a substate. If its target is the composite state, the nested state machine must include an initial state, to which control passes after entering the composite state and after dispatching its entry action (if any). If the target is the nested state, control passes to the nested state”. (The Unified Modeling Language User Guide; Booch, Rumbaugh, Jacobson; p. 300).

Example: State Machine with Nested States and History



State machines can become unmanageably large and complex. Nested states may be used to simplify complex diagrams. A **superstate** is a state that encloses nested states called **substates**. Common transitions of the substates are represented at the level of the superstate. Any number of levels of nesting is permitted.

The **history** indicator supports the modeling of “memorized” states. A history indicator (circled H) is placed in the state region whose last executed state needs to be “remembered” after an activity has been interrupted. The use of the history feature indicates that upon return to a superstate, the most recently visited substate will be entered.

The history indicator is a “pseudo-state,” similar to the stop state. States that make use of history must have their transition arrows going to the history pseudo-state. Transitions to the history indicator cause the last state that was executed in the enclosing state region to be resumed. Transitions to the outer boundary of the state region cause a transition back to the start state of the region. If the history feature is not used, the initial substate will always be entered when the superstate is entered.

The above is the CourseOffering class state machine where nested states with history have been used to simplify the diagram. The Open superstate was created to leverage the common transitions of the Unassigned and Assigned states. The use of the history indicator demonstrates that when the common transitions occur, the CourseOffering returns to the substate that it was in when the event was received.

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Instructor Notes:

Which Objects Have Significant State?

- ♦ Objects whose role is clarified by state transitions
- ♦ Complex use cases that are state-controlled
- ♦ It is not necessary to model objects such as:
 - Objects with straightforward mapping to implementation
 - Objects that are not state-controlled
 - Objects with only one computational state

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The state an object resides in is a computational state. It is defined by the stimuli the object can receive and what operations can be performed as a result. An object that can reside in many computational states is state-controlled.

The complexity of an object depends on:

- The number of different states.
- The number of different events it reacts to.
- The number of different actions it performs that depend on its state.
- The degree of interaction with its environment (other objects).
- The complexity of conditional, repetitive transitions.

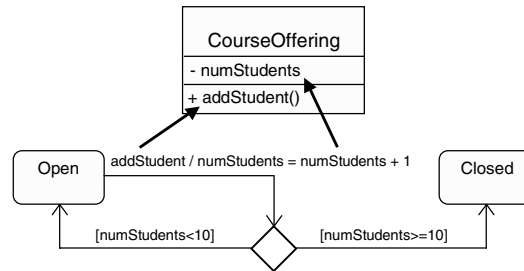
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Instructor Notes:

Derived attributes will be discussed in the Define Attributes step.

How Do State Machines Map to the Rest of the Model?

- ♦ Events may map to operations
- ♦ Methods should be updated with state-specific information
- ♦ States are often represented using attributes
 - This serves as input into the “*Define Attributes*” step



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Some state transition events can be associated with an operation. Depending on the object's state, the operation may have a different behavior. The transition events describe how this occurs.

The method description for the associated operation should be updated with the state-specific information, indicating what the operation should do for each relevant state.

Operation calls are not the only source of events. In the UML, you can model four different kinds of events:

- Signals
- Calls
- Passing of time
- Change in state

States are often represented using attributes. The state machines serve as input into the attribute identification step.

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Instructor Notes:

Class Design Steps

- ◆ Create Initial Design Classes
- ◆ Define Operations
- ◆ Define Methods
- ◆ Define States
- ☆ ◆ Define Attributes
- ◆ Define Dependencies
- ◆ Define Associations
- ◆ Define Internal Structure
- ◆ Define Generalizations
- ◆ Resolve Use-Case Collisions
- ◆ Handle Non-Functional Requirements in General
- ◆ Checkpoints



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At this point, we have a pretty good understanding of the design classes, their functionality, and their states. All of this information affects what attributes are defined.

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Instructor Notes:

Attributes: How Do You Find Them?

- ♦ Examine method descriptions
- ♦ Examine states
- ♦ Examine any information the class itself needs to maintain



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Attributes the class needs to carry out its operations and the states of the class are identified during the definition of methods. Attributes provide information storage for the class instance and are often used to represent the state of the class instance. Any information the class itself maintains is done through its attributes.

You may need to add additional attributes to support the implementation and establish any new relationships that the attributes require.

Check to make sure all attributes are needed. Attributes should be justified — it is easy for attributes to be added early in the process and survive long after they are no longer needed due to shortsightedness. Extra attributes, multiplied by thousands or millions of instances, can have a large effect on the performance and storage requirements of the system.

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Instructor Notes:

The use of attributes versus composition will be discussed later in this module.

Attribute Representations

- ◆ Specify name, type, and optional default value
 - `attributeName : Type = Default`
- ◆ Follow naming conventions of implementation language and project
- ◆ Type should be an elementary data type in implementation language
 - Built-in data type, user-defined data type, or user-defined class
- ◆ Specify visibility
 - Public: +
 - Private: -
 - Protected: #

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In analysis, it was sufficient to specify the attribute name only, unless the representation was a requirement that was to constrain the designer.

During Design, for each attribute, define the following:

- Its **name**, which should follow the naming conventions of both the implementation language and the project.
- Its **type**, which will be an elementary data type supported by the implementation language.
- Its **default or initial value**, to which it is initialized when new instances of the class are created.
- Its **visibility**, which will take one of the following values:
 - **Public**: The attribute is visible both inside and outside the package containing the class.
 - **Protected**: The attribute is visible only to the class itself, to its subclasses, or to **friends** of the class (language dependent)
 - **Private**: The attribute is visible only to the class itself and to **friends** of the class.

For persistent classes, also include whether the attribute is persistent (the default) or transient. Even though the class itself may be persistent, not all attributes of the class need to be persistent.

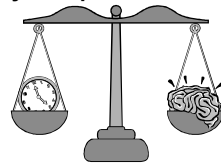
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Derived attributes and derived operations are not explicitly defined as part of the UML. An example of a derived attribute is a class, Person, with a derived attribute, Age.

Derived Attributes

- ♦ What is a derived attribute?
 - An attribute whose value may be calculated based on the value of other attribute(s)
- ♦ When do you use it?
 - When there is not enough time to re-calculate the value every time it is needed
 - When you must trade-off runtime performance versus memory required



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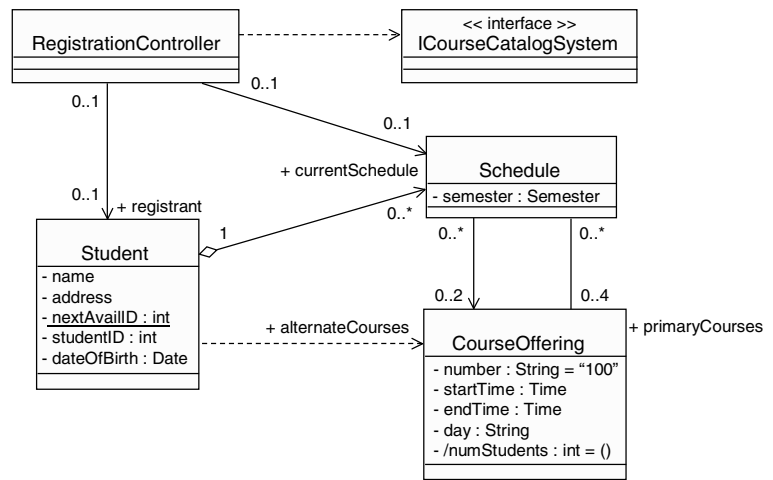
Derived attributes and operations indicate a constraint between values. They can be used to describe a dependency between attribute values that must be maintained by the class. They do not necessarily mean that the attribute value is always calculated from the other attributes.

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Instructor Notes:

Remember, there is not a direct relationship between Student and CourseOffering. Thus, the value of numStudents equals the number of links that exist from a CourseOffering instance to Schedule instances. You don't have to share this thought with the students if you think it will confuse them.

Example: Define Attributes



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The above example is a portion of the VOPC for the Register for Courses Use-Case Realization. It is the same diagram that was provided earlier in the Define Operations section, except now the operation compartment has been suppressed.

Notice the **<<class>>** attribute.

In this example, all attributes are private (marked with a "-") to support encapsulation.

The number of students currently enrolled in the CourseOffering is represented by the derived attribute, numStudents, which has a default value of 0.

Semester, Time, and Date are included as the type for some of the attributes. For the Course Registration System, they are considered to be abstract data types that have no significant behavior and thus are not modeled as separate classes.

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Instructor Notes:

Have each use-case team define the operations that are used in their Use-Case Realizations.

The reason that we have the students do the operation and attribute design of the classes for a Use-Case Realization is that these operation signatures and attributes are useful when performing the relationship design later in this module. In any case, it is important that the operation and attribute design be done for at least the following classes:

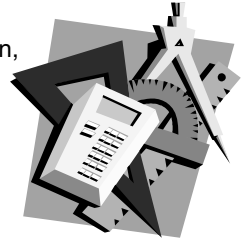
- Employee
- Timecard

A recommended class for the state machines is Employee. If you assign the class Employee, you can give the students the following hint: Think about your own “lifecycle” as an Employee (from hired to fired). Also consider your employee category/type (full or part time) and the ability to change it. If you have time, you can demonstrate the Time Card State Machine.

Exercise 1: Class Design

♦ Given the following:

- **The architectural layers, their packages, and their dependencies**
 - Payroll Exercise Solution, Architectural Design, Packages and their Dependencies
- **Design classes for a particular use case**
 - Payroll Exercise Solution, Class Design, Exercise: Class Design, Exercise: Define Operations



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The goal of this exercise is to design the attributes and operations of design classes for a use case. This exercise will also require the students to model state-controlled behavior of a design class in a state machine.

References to the givens on the slide:

- **The architectural layers, their packages, and their dependencies:** Payroll Exercise Solution, Architectural Design, Packages and their Dependencies section
- **Design classes for a particular use case:** Payroll Exercise Solution, Class Design, Exercise: Class Design, Exercise: Define Operations section.

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Instructor Notes:

Exercise 1: Class Design (continued)

- ◆ Identify the following:

- Attributes, operations, and their complete attribute signatures
- Attribute and operation scope and visibility
- Any additional relationships and/or classes to support the defined attributes and attribute signatures
- Class(es) with significant state-controlled behavior
- The important states and transitions for the identified class



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A complete operation signature includes the operation name, operation parameters, and operation return value. This may drive the identification of new classes and relationships.

Operation visibility may be public, private, or protected.

A complete attribute signature includes the attribute name, attribute type, and attribute default value (optional). This may drive the identification of new classes and relationships.

Attribute visibility may be public, private, or protected.

When adding relationships and/or classes, the package/subsystem interrelationships may need to be refined. Such a refinement can be approved only by the architecture team.

The produced state machine should include states, transitions, events, and guard conditions.

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Instructor Notes:

The exercise solution can be found in the Payroll Exercise Solution, Class Design, Exercise: Define States section.

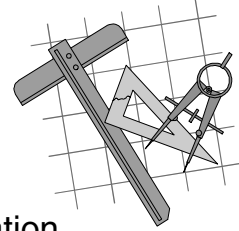
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Exercise 1: Class Design

◆ Produce the following:

▪ Design Use-Case Realization

- State machine for one of the classes that exhibits state-controlled behavior
- Class diagram (VOPC) that includes all operations, operation signatures, attributes, and attribute signatures



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One of the goals of this exercise is to model state-controlled behavior of a design class in a state machine.

The produced state machine should include states, transitions, events, and guard conditions.

A complete operation signature includes the operation name, operation parameters, and operation return value. This may drive the identification of new classes and relationships.

References to sample diagrams within the course that are similar to what should be produced are:

- **Operations:** p.13-20
- **State machines:** p. 13-32
- **Attributes:** p. 13-39

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Instructor Notes:

Exercise 1: Review

- ◆ Compare your results

- ◆ Is the name of each operation descriptive and understandable? Does the name of the operation indicate its outcome?
- ◆ Does each attribute represent a single conceptual thing? Is the name of each attribute descriptive and does it correctly convey the information it stores?
- ◆ Is the state machine understandable? Do state names and transitions reflect the context of the domain of the system? Does the state machine contain any superfluous states or transitions?



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After completing a model, it is important to step back and review your work. Here are some helpful questions:

- Is the name of each operation descriptive and understandable? The operation should be named from the perspective of the user, so the name of the operation should indicate its outcome.
- Does each attribute represent a single conceptual thing? Is the name of each attribute descriptive and does it correctly convey the information it stores?
- Is the state machine understandable? Do the state names and transitions accurately reflect the domain of the system? The state machine should accurately reflect the lifetime of an object.
- Does the state machine contain any superfluous states or transitions? States and transitions should reflect the object's attributes, operations, and relationships. Do not read anything extra into the lifetime of the object that cannot be supported by the class structure.

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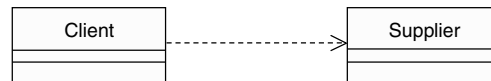
Prior to Design, many of the relationships were modeled as associations. Now, with the added knowledge you have gained throughout Design, you are in a position to refine some of those relationships into dependencies.

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Instructor Notes:

Define Dependency

- ♦ What Is a Dependency?
 - A relationship between two objects



- ♦ Purpose
 - Determine where structural relationships are NOT required
- ♦ Things to look for :
 - What causes the supplier to be visible to the client

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During Analysis, we assumed that all relationships were structural (associations or aggregations). In Design, we must decide what type of communication pathway is required.

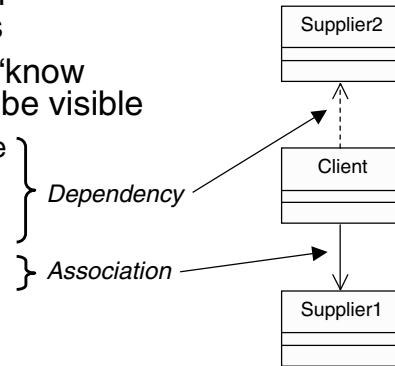
A dependency relationship denotes a semantic relationship between model elements, where a change in the supplier may cause a change in the client.

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Instructor Notes:

Dependencies vs. Associations

- ♦ Associations are structural relationships
- ♦ Dependencies are non-structural relationships
- ♦ In order for objects to “know each other” they must be visible
 - Local variable reference
 - Parameter reference
 - Global reference
 - Field reference



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There are four options for creating a communication pathway to a supplier object:

- **Global:** The supplier object is a global object.
- **Parameter:** The supplier object is a parameter to, or the return class of, an operation in the client object.
- **Local:** The supplier object is declared locally (that is, created temporarily during execution of an operation).
- **Field:** The supplier object is a data member in the client object.

A dependency is a type of communication pathway that is a transient type of relationship. These occur when the visibility is global, parameter, or local.

Look at each association relationship and determine whether it should remain an association or become a dependency. Associations and aggregations are structural relationships (field visibility). Association relationships are realized by variables that exist in the data member section of the class definition. Any other relationships (global, local, and parameter visibility) are dependency relationships.

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Instructor Notes:

These guidelines should help to remove some of the mystery of determining if a relationship is a dependency or an association. Emphasize that the designer needs to go back to the communication diagram to determine if the link is a dependency or not.

Associations vs. Dependencies in Collaborations

- ◆ An instance of an association is a link
 - All links become associations unless they have global, local, or parameter visibility
 - Relationships are context-dependent
- ◆ Dependencies are transient links with:
 - A limited duration
 - A context-independent relationship
 - A summary relationship

A dependency is a secondary type of relationship in that it doesn't tell you much about the relationship. For details you need to consult the collaborations.

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According to the UML 2 Specification, a link is an instance of an association. Specifically, an association declares a connection (link) between instances of the associated classifiers (classes). A dependency relationship indicates that the implementation or functioning of one or more elements requires the presence of one or more other elements.

Note that links modeled as parameter, global, or local are transient links. They exist only for a limited duration and in the specific context of the collaboration; in that sense, they are instances of the association role in the collaboration. However, the relationship in a class model (independent of context) should be, as stated above, a dependency. In *The UML Reference Manual*, the definition of a transient link is: "It is possible to model all such links as associations, but then the conditions on the associations must be stated very broadly, and they lose much of their precision in constraining combinations of objects." In this situation, the modeling of a dependency is less important than the modeling of the relationship in the collaboration, because the dependency does not describe the relationship completely, only that it exists.

If you believe that a link in a collaboration is a transient link, it indicates that the context-independent relationship between the classes is a dependency. Dependency is a "summary" relationship — for details you have to consult the behavioral model.

Context is defined as "a view of a set of related modeling elements for a particular purpose."

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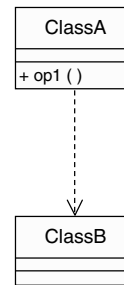
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The key thing here is that the designer look at the Communication diagram to determine if the relationship is a dependency. If the link is transient then a dependency should be created instead of an association.

The Communication diagrams refine the link visibility adornments.

Local Variable Visibility

- ♦ The op1() operation contains a local variable of type ClassB



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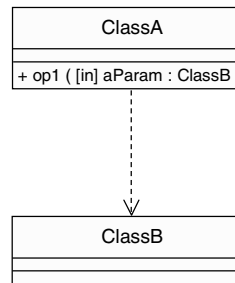
Is the receiver a temporary object created and destroyed during the operation itself? If so, establish a **dependency** between the sender and receiver classes in a class diagram containing the two classes.

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Parameter Visibility

- ♦ The ClassB instance is passed to the ClassA instance



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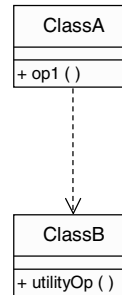
Is the reference to the receiver passed as a parameter to the operation? If so, establish a **dependency** between the sender and receiver classes in a Class diagram containing the two classes.

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Instructor Notes:

Global Visibility

- ♦ The ClassUtility instance is visible because it is global



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Is the receiver a “global?” If so, establish a **dependency** between the sender and receiver classes in a class diagram containing the two classes.

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Instructor Notes:

If it is going to be a parameter visibility, you have to look back up the food chain to see where the class passing it as a parameter got it. For example, maybe it is used on some entity class as a parameter, but is a field on the controller.

Identifying Dependencies: Considerations

- ♦ Permanent relationships — Association (field visibility)
- ♦ Transient relationships — Dependency
 - Multiple objects share the same instance
 - Pass instance as a parameter (parameter visibility)
 - Make instance a managed global (global visibility)
 - Multiple objects don't share the same instance (local visibility)
- ♦ How long does it take to create/destroy?
 - Expensive? Use field, parameter, or global visibility
 - Strive for the lightest relationships possible

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Strive for real-world relationships. Semantic, structural relationships should be associations.

Strive for the lightest relationships possible. Dependency is the cheapest to keep, easiest to use, and benefits from encapsulation.

Is the relationship transient? Will you need this relationship again and again, or do you just need it to do some work and then throw it away? If its needed again and again, that is, if a thing appears to remain related to another thing even across the execution of one or more operations, then it is likely an association and should benefit from field visibility.

Otherwise, the relationship may be transient and can have local, parameter, or global visibility.

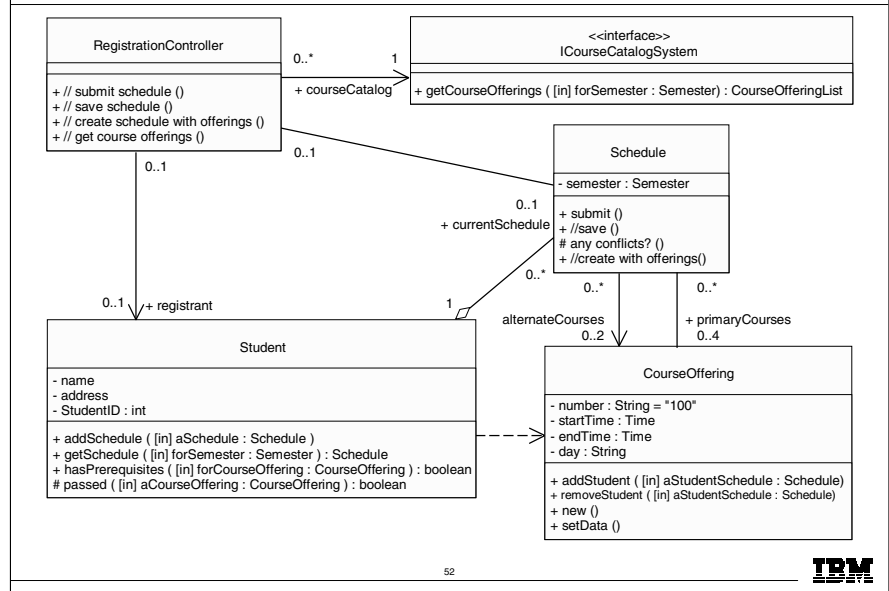
Is the same instance shared across objects? If many objects at runtime need it again and again and they share the same instance, maybe you should pass it around as a parameter. If there is only one instance in existence in the whole process, set it up as a managed global (for example, Singleton design pattern). If the same instance is not shared, then having a local copy will suffice (local visibility).

How long does the instance take to create and destroy? Is it expensive to connect and disconnect every time you need it? If so, you would want to give the object field, parameter, or global visibility.

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Example: Define Dependencies (before)



This class diagram is a subset of the View of Participating Classes (VOPC) from the Register for Courses use case.

Up to this point, most of the relationships that we have defined have been associations (and aggregations). Now we will see how some of these associations/aggregations are refined into dependencies.

The dependency shown above from `Schedule` to `CourseOffering` was previously defined in the Define Operations section to support the `Schedule` operation signatures.

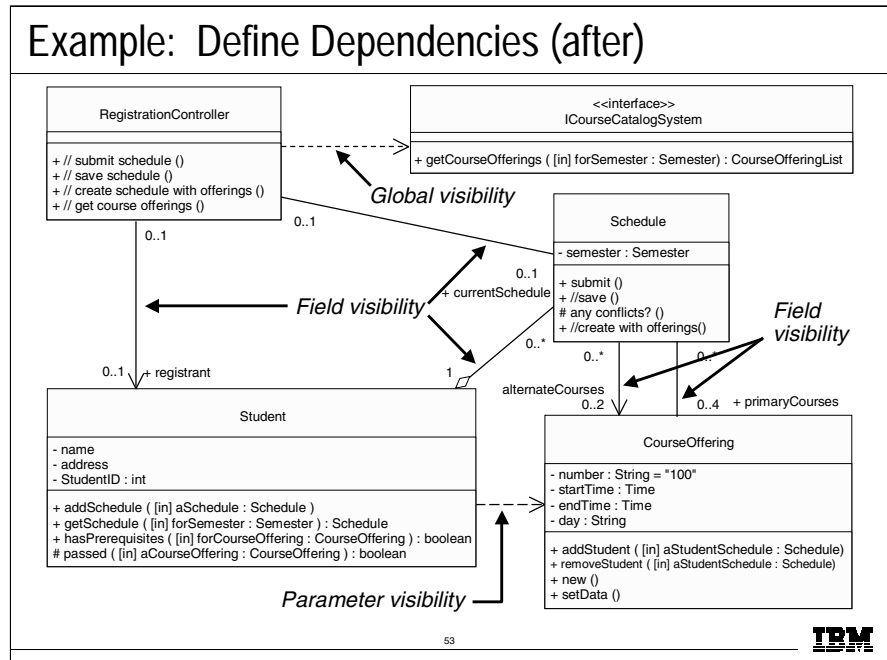
Note: All association/aggregation relationships should be examined to see if they should be dependencies. We have just chosen to work with a VOPC subset for this example.

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If the students would like an example of global visibility, tell them that all relationships to the Java RMI Naming class would be a good example.

On the presented slide, the changes made are shown in blue, but this does not show up in the black-and-white manuals.



This example demonstrates how an association on the class diagram provided on the previous slide has been refined into a dependency relationship.

During a registration session, the **RegistrationController** works with one **Student**, the registrant (the **Student** that is registering), and one **Schedule**, the current **Schedule** (the **Student**'s **Schedule** for the current semester). These instances need to be accessed by more than one of the **RegistrationController**'s operations, so field visibility is chosen from **RegistrationController** to **Student** and from **RegistrationController** to **Schedule**. Thus, the relationships remain associations.

A **Student** manages its own **Schedules**, so field visibility is chosen from **Student** to **Schedule** and the relationship remains an aggregation.

CourseOfferings are part of the semantics of what defines a **Schedule** (a **Schedule** is the courses a that a **Student** has selected for a semester). Thus, field visibility is chosen from **Schedule** to **CourseOffering** and the relationships remain associations.

The **Student** class has several operations where **CourseOffering** appears in the parameter list. Thus, parameter visibility is chosen from **Student** to **CourseOffering**. This relationship was actually defined earlier in the Define Operations section.

It is envisioned that the course Catalog System may need to be accessed by multiple clients in the system, so global visibility was chosen, and the relationship becomes a dependency. This is the only change that was made to the relationships shown on the previous slide.

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Instructor Notes:

Class Design Steps

- ◆ Create Initial Design Classes
- ◆ Define Operations
- ◆ Define Methods
- ◆ Define States
- ◆ Define Attributes
- ◆ Define Dependencies
- ☆ ◆ Define Associations
- ◆ Define Internal Structure
- ◆ Define Generalizations
- ◆ Resolve Use-Case Collisions
- ◆ Handle Non-Functional Requirements in General
- ◆ Checkpoints



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We now are going to turn our attention to the remaining class associations, adding some Design-level refinements that drive the implementation.

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Instructor Notes:

Define Associations

- ♦ Purpose
 - Refine remaining associations
- ♦ Things to look for :
 - Association vs. Aggregation
 - Aggregation vs. Composition
 - Attribute vs. Association
 - Navigability
 - Association class design
 - Multiplicity design



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At this point, we have identified which class relationships should be dependencies. Now it is time to design the details of the remaining associations.

Also, additional associations may need to be defined to support the method descriptions defined earlier. Remember, to communicate between their instances, classes must have relationships with each other.

We will discuss each of the “things to look for” topics on subsequent slides, except for “Association vs. Aggregation,” which was discussed in the Use-Case Analysis module.

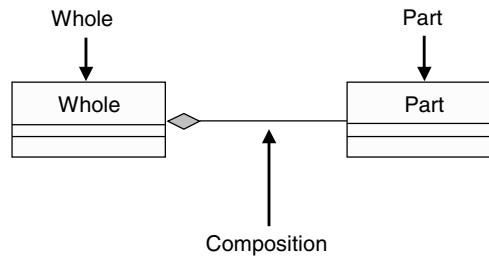
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Compositional aggregation can be shown by nesting one class within another. Composition is not equivalent to containment by value, as some languages do not support containment by value (for example, Java). By value versus by reference is an implementation “thing,” whereas composition is a conceptual “thing” that can be realized in the implementation using by-value, or by-reference (if the distinction is supported).

What Is Composition?

- ♦ A form of aggregation with strong ownership and coincident lifetimes
 - The parts cannot survive the whole/aggregate



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Composition is a form of aggregation with strong ownership and coincident lifetimes of the part with the aggregate. The whole “owns” the part and is responsible for the creation and destruction of the part. The part is removed when the whole is removed. The part may be removed (by the whole) before the whole is removed.

A solid filled diamond is attached to the end of an association path (on the “whole side”) to indicate composition.

In some cases, composition can be identified as early as Analysis, but more often it is not until Design that such decisions can be made confidently. That is why composition is introduced here rather than in Use-Case Analysis.

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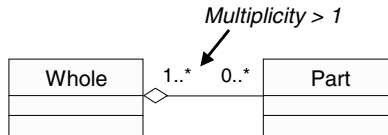
A multiplicity of “0” (that is, “0..0”) on the aggregate/whole side is not allowed (it would mean that the association could never exist). The UML does not preclude it, but it makes no sense, so for practical reasons, the Rational Unified Process does not allow it.

0..1 and 0..* can be used to specify optionality, but on the “parts” of an aggregation only. Remember, the definition of aggregation is that the part does not make sense outside the context of the whole, so having a multiplicity including 0 would make no sense (you could have a part without the whole).

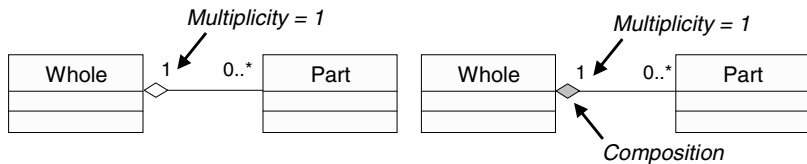
Another example of shared aggregation is an engine. A specific engine may be part of many different elements (cars, boats, planes) in its lifetime.

Aggregation: Shared vs. Non-shared

◆ Shared Aggregation



◆ Non-shared Aggregation



By definition, composition is non-shared aggregation.

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For composition, the multiplicity of the aggregate end may not exceed one (it is unshared). The aggregation is also unchangeable; that is, once established its links cannot be changed. Parts with multiplicity having a lower bound of 0 can be created after the aggregate itself, but once created, they live and die with it. Such parts can also be explicitly removed before the death of the aggregate.

Non-shared aggregation does not necessarily imply composition.

An aggregation relationship that has a multiplicity greater than one established for the aggregate is called “shared,” and destroying the aggregate does not necessarily destroy the parts. By implication, a shared aggregation forms a graph, or a tree with many roots.

An example of shared aggregation may be between a University class and a Student class (the University being the “whole” and the Students being the “parts”). With regards to registration, a Student does not make sense outside the context of a University, but a Student may be enrolled in classes in multiple Universities.

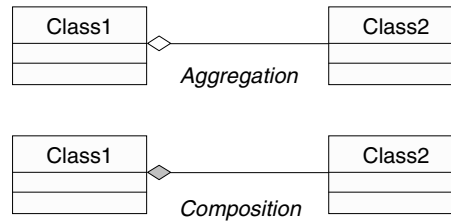
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Aggregation or Composition?

- ◆ Consideration

- Lifetimes of Class1 and Class2



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The use of association versus aggregation was discussed in the Use-Case Analysis module. Here we discuss the use of “vanilla” aggregation versus composition.

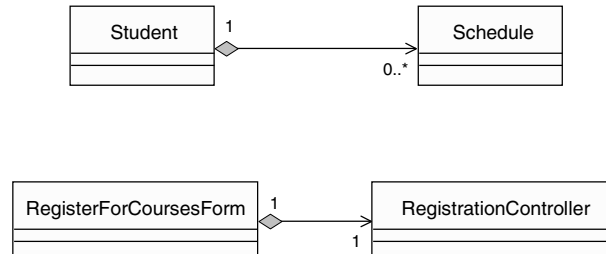
Composition should be used over “plain” aggregation when there is a strong interdependency between the aggregate and the parts, where the definition of the aggregate is incomplete without the parts. For example, it does not make sense to have an Order if there is nothing being ordered.

Composition should be used when the whole and part must have coincident lifetimes. Selection of aggregation or composition will determine how object creation and deletion are designed.

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Example: Composition



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This slide demonstrates two examples of composition.

The top graphic demonstrates how a previous aggregation relationship has been refined into a composition relationship. The relationship from Student to Schedule is modeled as a composition because if you got rid of the Student, you would get rid of any Schedules for that Student.

The bottom graphic demonstrates how a previous association relationship has been refined into a composition relationship. It was decided that an instance of a RegistrationController would NEVER exist outside the context of a particular Register For Courses Student session. Thus, since the RegisterForCoursesForm represents a particular Register For Courses session, a RegistrationController would NEVER exist outside of the context of a particular RegisterForCoursesForm. When a MaintainScheduleForm is created, an instance of RegistrationController should always be created. When MaintainScheduleForm is deleted, the instance of the RegistrationController should always be deleted. Thus, because they now have coincident lifetimes, composition is used instead of an association.

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Instructor Notes:

Composition and attributes are semantically equivalent. It just depends on what you need to model to make your system understandable.

Classes are capable of expressing structure, relationships, and more complex behavior. If you need any of these, use a class. Attributes cannot have structure; they are simple values, usually instances of primitive data types. If you don't need structure, use an attribute. If you don't need to do more than get or set the value of something, use an attribute.

From the UML:

"A data type is a type whose values have no identity, i.e. they are pure values. Data types include primitive built-in types (such as integer and string) as well as enumeration types".

Attributes vs. Composition

- ◆ Use composition when
 - Properties need independent identities
 - Multiple classes have the same properties
 - Properties have a complex structure and properties of their own
 - Properties have complex behavior of their own
 - Properties have relationships of their own
- ◆ Otherwise use attributes

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A property of a class is something that the class knows about. You can model a class property as a class (with a composition relationship), or as a set of attributes of the class. In other words, you can use composition to model an attribute.

The decision whether to use a class and composition, or a set of attributes, depends on the following:

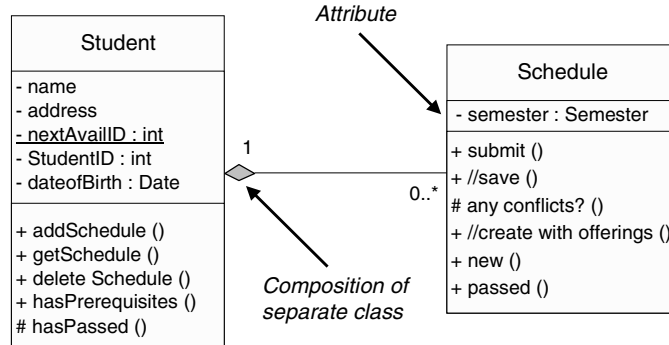
- Do the properties need to have independent identity, such that they can be referenced from a number of objects? If so, use a class and composition.
- Do a number of classes need to have the same properties? If so, use a class and composition.
- Do the properties have a complex structure, properties, and behavior of their own? If so, use a class (or classes) and composition.
- Otherwise, use attributes.

The decision of whether to use attributes or a composition association to a separate class may also be determined based on the degree of coupling between the concepts being represented. When the concepts being modeled are tightly connected, use attributes. When the concepts are likely to change independently, use composition.

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Example: Attributes vs. Composition



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In this example, Semester is not a property that requires independent identity, nor does it have a complex structure. Thus, it was modeled as an attribute of Schedule.

On the other hand, the relationship from Student to Schedule is modeled as a composition rather than an attribute because Schedule has a complex structure and properties of its own.

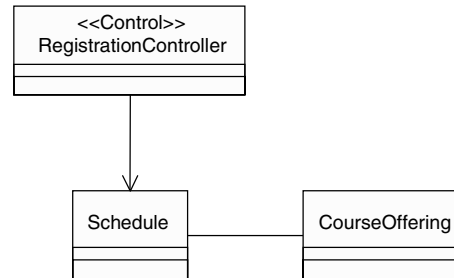
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This slide was first introduced in Concepts of Object Orientation.

Review: What Is Navigability?

- ♦ Indicates that it is possible to navigate from an associating class to the target class using the association



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- The navigability property on a role indicates that it is possible to navigate from an associating class to the target class using the association. This may be implemented in a number of ways: by direct object references, by associative arrays, hash-tables, or any other implementation technique that allows one object to reference another.
- Navigability is indicated by an open arrow placed on the target end of the association line next to the target class (the one being navigated to). The default value of the navigability property is true (associations are bi-directional by default).
- In the course registration example, the association between the Schedule and the Course Offering is navigable in both directions. That is, a Schedule must know the Course Offering assigned to the Schedule and the Course Offering must know the Schedules it has been placed in.
- When no arrowheads are shown, the association is assumed to be navigable in both directions.
- In the case of the associations between Schedule and Registration Controller, the Registration Controller must know its Schedules, but the Schedules have no knowledge of the Registration Controllers (or other classes, since many things have addresses) associated with the address. As a result, the navigability property of the Registration Controller end of the association is turned off.

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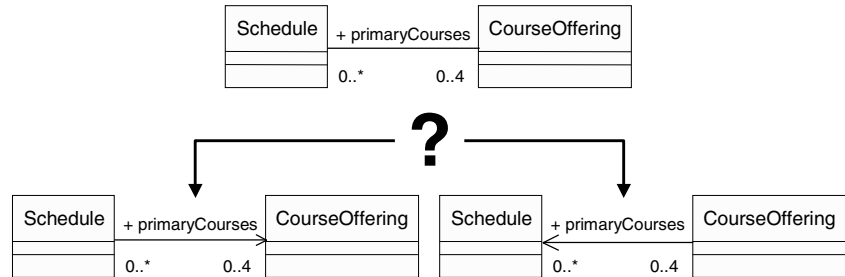
Review the basic definition of navigability with the students: The navigability property on a role indicates that it is possible to navigate from an associating class to the target class using the association.

Because navigability is true by default, you only need to find associations (and aggregations) where all opposite link roles of all objects of a class in the association do not require navigability. In those cases, set the navigability to False on the class's role.

This is not always as straightforward as it may seem. We'll take a look at this in more detail on subsequent slides.

Navigability: Which Directions Are Really Needed?

- ◆ Explore interaction diagrams
- ◆ Even when both directions seem required, one may work
 - Navigability in one direction is infrequent
 - Number of instances of one class is small



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During Use-Case Analysis, associations (and aggregations) may have been assumed to be bi-directional (that is, communication may occur in both directions).

During **Class Design**, the association's navigability needs to be refined so that only the required communication gets implemented.

Navigation is readdressed in **Class Design** because we now understand the responsibilities and collaborations of the classes better than we did in Use-Case Analysis. We also want to refine the relationships between classes. Two-way relationships are more difficult and expensive to implement than one-way relationships. Thus, one of the goals in **Class Design** is the reduction of two-way (bi-directional) relationships into one-way (unidirectional) relationships.

The need for navigation is revealed by the use cases and scenarios. The navigability defined in the class model must support the message structure designed in the interaction diagrams.

In some circumstances even if two-way navigation is required, a one-way association may suffice. For example, you can use one-way association if navigation in one of the directions is very infrequent and does not have stringent performance requirements, or the number of instances of one of the classes is very small.

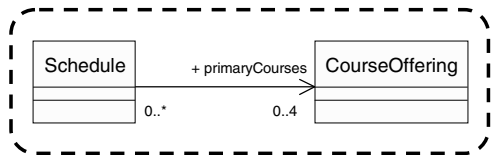
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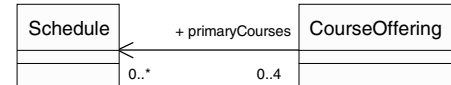
This example is somewhat contrived, since having a small number of students or a small number of CourseOfferings is probably unlikely for a real-life registration system, but you get the point.

Example: Navigability Refinement

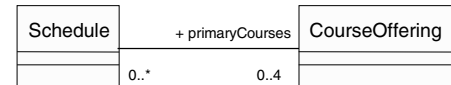
- Total number of Schedules is small, or
- Never need a list of the Schedules on which the CourseOffering appears



- Total number of CourseOfferings is small, or
- Never need a list of CourseOfferings on a Schedule



- Total number of CourseOfferings and Schedules are not small
- Must be able to navigate in both directions



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In Situation 1: Implement only the Schedule-to-CourseOffering direction. If navigation is required in the other direction (that is, if a list of Schedules on which the CourseOffering appears is needed), it is implemented by searching all of the Schedule instances and checking the CourseOfferings that appear on them.

In Situation 2: Implement only the CourseOffering-to-Schedule direction. If navigation is required in the other direction (that is, if a list of CourseOfferings on a Schedule is needed), it is implemented by searching all of the CourseOffering instances and checking the Schedules on which they appear.

For the example in this course, the first option (navigation from Schedule to the Primary CourseOfferings) was chosen.

Note: This navigation decision holds true for the navigability from Schedule to the alternate CourseOfferings, as well.

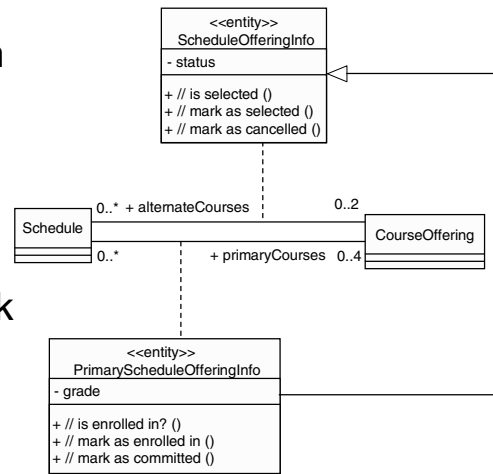
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The key thing to remember about an association class is that it is required when there is a many-to-many relationship between two classes. Also, the association class should only contain that information that is unique to the relationship between the two classes.

Association Class

- ♦ A class is “attached” to an association
- ♦ Contains properties of a relationship
- ♦ Has one instance per link



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An association class is a class that is connected to an association. It is a full-fledged class and can contain attributes, operations, and other associations.

Association classes allow you to store information about the relationship itself. The association class includes information that is not appropriate for, or does not belong in, the classes at either end of the relationship.

There is an instance of the association class for every instance of the relationship (that is, for every link).

In many cases, association classes are used to resolve many-to-many relationships, as shown in the example above. In this case, a `Schedule` includes multiple primary `CourseOfferings` and a `CourseOffering` can appear on multiple schedules as a primary. Where would a Student's grade for a primary `CourseOffering` “live”? It cannot be stored in `Schedule` because a `Schedule` contains multiple primary `CourseOfferings`. It cannot be stored in `CourseOffering` because the same `CourseOffering` can appear on multiple `Schedules` as primary. Grade is really an attribute of the relationship between a `Schedule` and a primary `CourseOffering`.

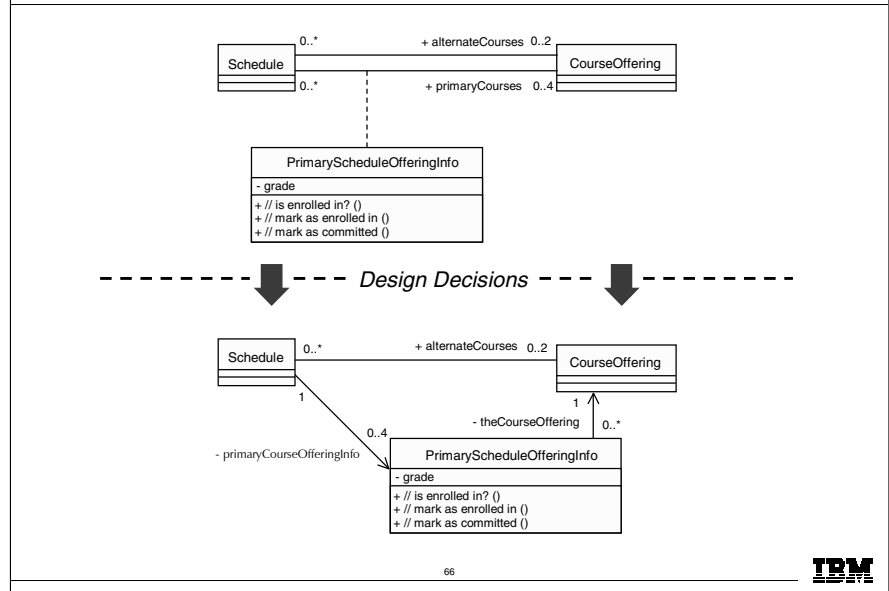
The same is true of the status of a `CourseOffering`, primary or alternate, on a particular `Schedule`.

Thus, association classes were created to contain such information. Two classes related by generalization were created to leverage the similarities between what must be maintained for primary and alternate `CourseOfferings`. Remember, Students can only enroll in and receive a grade in a primary `CourseOffering`, not an alternate.

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Example: Association Class Design



If there are attributes on the association itself (represented by "association classes"), create a design class to represent the "association class," with the appropriate attributes. Interpose this class between the other two classes, and by establishing associations with appropriate multiplicity between the association class and the other two classes.

The above example demonstrates how an association class can be further designed.

When defining the navigability between the resulting classes, it was decided not to provide navigation directly to **CourseOffering** from **Schedule** (must go through **PrimaryScheduleOfferingInfo**).

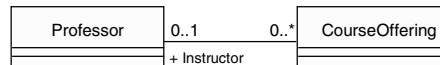
Note: Association class design needs to be done only if the implementation does not directly support association classes and an exact visual model of the implementation is required. The above example is hypothetical. It is not included in the Course Registration Model provided with the course since the additional design details because only complicated the Design Model.

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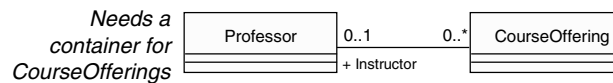
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Multiplicity Design

- ♦ Multiplicity = 1, or Multiplicity = 0..1
 - May be implemented directly as a simple value or pointer
 - No further “design” is required



- ♦ Multiplicity > 1
 - Cannot use a simple value or pointer
 - Further “design” may be required



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Multiplicity is the number of instances that participate in an association. Initial estimates of multiplicity made during analysis must be updated and refined during design.

All association and aggregation relationships must have multiplicity specified.

For associations with a multiplicity of 1 or 0..1, further design is not usually required, as the relationship can be implemented as a simple value or a pointer.

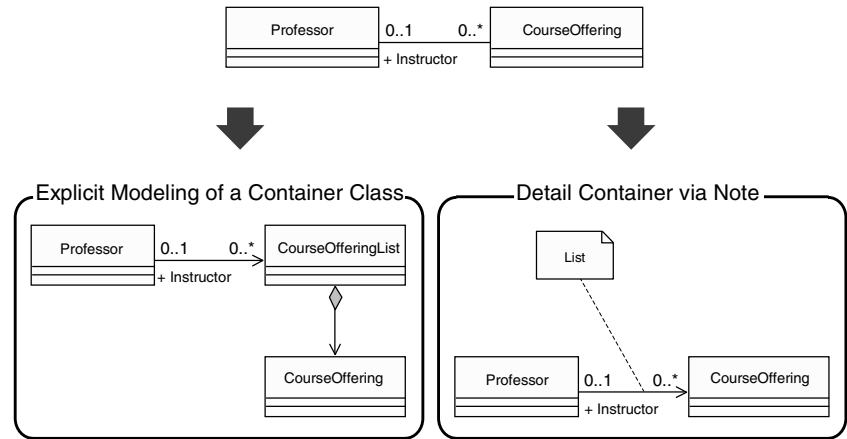
For associations with a multiplicity upper bound that is greater than 1, additional decisions need to be made. This is usually designed using “container” classes. A container class is a class whose instances are collections of other objects. Common container classes include sets, lists, dictionaries, stacks, and queues.

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We use both approaches in the OOAD course example and exercise models.

Multiplicity Design Options



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The design of a relationship with a multiplicity greater than one can be modeled in multiple ways. You can explicitly model a container class, or you can just indicate what kind of container class will be used. The latter approach keeps the diagrams from getting too cluttered with very detailed implementation decisions. However, the former approach may be useful if you want to do code generation from your model.

Another option that is a more refined version of the first approach is to use a parameterized class (template) as the container class. This is discussed in more detail on the next few slides.

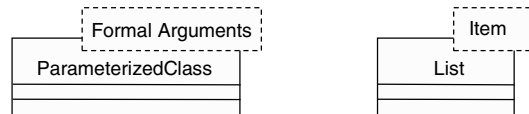
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Emphasize to the students that in most cases, common container classes, like List, from existing implementation libraries are often just noted as a standard approach, and are not modeled at all.

What Is a Parameterized Class (Template)?

- ♦ A class definition that defines other classes
- ♦ Often used for container classes
 - Some common container classes:
 - Sets, lists, dictionaries, stacks, queues



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In the UML, parameterized classes are also known as templates.

The formal arguments are expressed as a parameter list (for example: [T: class, size: Int]).

A parameterized class cannot be used directly; it must be instantiated to be used. It is instantiated by supplying actual arguments for the formal arguments. Instantiation is discussed on the next slide.

Container classes can be modeled as parameterized classes. Common container classes, like List, from existing implementation libraries are often just noted as a standard approach, and are not modeled at all. The standard mechanism is noted in the Design Document, or as a note on the Class diagram.

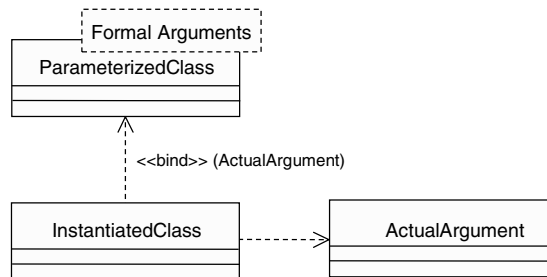
Consider your implementation language when deciding to use these. Parameterized classes are not supported in every language. For example, C++ supports templates, while Java does not.

See the language-specific appendices for more information.

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Instantiating a Parameterized Class



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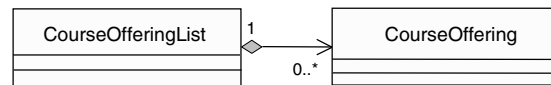
Using a parameterized class requires that you specify a bound element (that is, actual arguments for the parameterized classes' formal arguments). A dependency stereotyped with `<<bind>>` is used to specify that the source instantiates the parameterized class using the actual parameters.

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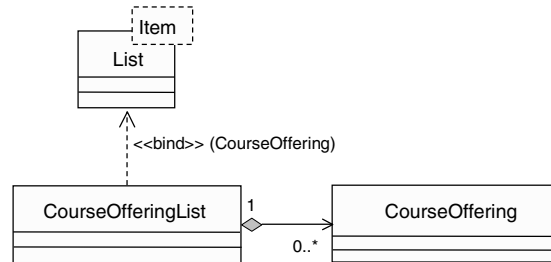
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Example: Instantiating a Parameterized Class

Before



After



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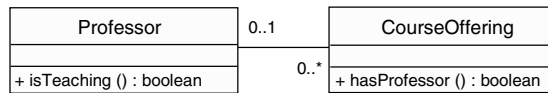
Initially, we just defined a CourseOfferingList. During Detailed Design, it is decided that the List class will be used as a base class for the CourseOfferingList.

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Instructor Notes:

Multiplicity Design: Optionality

- ♦ If a link is optional, make sure to include an operation to test for the existence of the link



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If a link is optional, an operation to test for the existence of the link should be added to the class.

For example, if a Professor can be on sabbatical, a suitable operation should be included in the Professor class to test for the existence of the CourseOffering link.

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Instructor Notes:

Class Design Steps

- ◆ Create Initial Design Classes
- ◆ Define Operations
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- ◆ Define States
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- ◆ Define Associations
- ☆ ◆ Define Internal Structure
- ◆ Define Generalizations
- ◆ Resolve Use-Case Collisions
- ◆ Handle Non-Functional Requirements in General
- ◆ Checkpoints

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In Analysis, inheritance that was intrinsic to the problem domain may have been defined. **Class Design** is where generalizations are defined to improve/ease the implementation. Design is the real activity of inventing inheritance.

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Instructor Notes:

What is Internal Structure?

- ♦ The interconnected parts and connectors that compose the contents of a structured class.
 - It contains parts or roles that form its structure and realize its behavior.
 - Connectors model the communication link between interconnected parts.

The interfaces describe what a class must do; its internal structure describes how the work is accomplished.

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Instructor Notes:

The concept of capsules in Rose RealTime was a leading influencer for the UML 2 structured class.

One of the most important modeling features added to UML 2.

Review: What Is a Structured Class?

- ♦ A structured class contains parts or roles that form its structure and realize its behavior
 - Describes the internal implementation structure
- ♦ The parts themselves may also be structured classes
 - Allows hierarchical structure to permit a clear expression of multilevel models.
- ♦ A connector is used to represent an association in a particular context
 - Represents communications paths among parts

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A **role** is a constituent element of a structured class that represents the appearance of an instance (or possibly set of instances) within the context defined by the structured class.

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Instructor Notes:

What Is a Connector?

- ♦ A connector models the communication link between interconnected parts. For example:
 - Assembly connectors
 - Reside between two elements (parts or ports) in the internal implementation specification of a structured class.
 - Delegation connectors
 - Reside between an external (relay) port and an internal part in the internal implementation specification of a structured class.

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For delegation connectors, environment connections to the external port are treated as going to the internal element at the other end of the delegation connector.

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Instructor Notes:

Review: What Is a Port?

- ♦ A port is a structural feature that encapsulates the interaction between the contents of a class and its environment.
 - Port behavior is specified by its provided and required interfaces
 - They permit the internal structure to be modified without affecting external clients
 - ♦ External clients have no visibility to internals
- ♦ A class may have a number of ports
 - Each port has a set of provided and required interfaces

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Since the port is a structural element, it's created and destroyed along with its structured class.

Another class connected to a port may request the provided services from the owner of the port but must also be prepared to supply the required services to the owner.

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Instructor Notes:

Review: Port Types

- ♦ Ports can have different implementation types
 - Service ports are only used for the internal implementation of the class.
 - Behavior ports are used where requests on the port are implemented directly by the class.
 - Relay ports are used where requests on the port are transmitted to internal parts for implementation.

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The use of **service ports** are rare because the main purpose of ports is to encapsulate communication with the environment. These ports are located inside the class boundary.

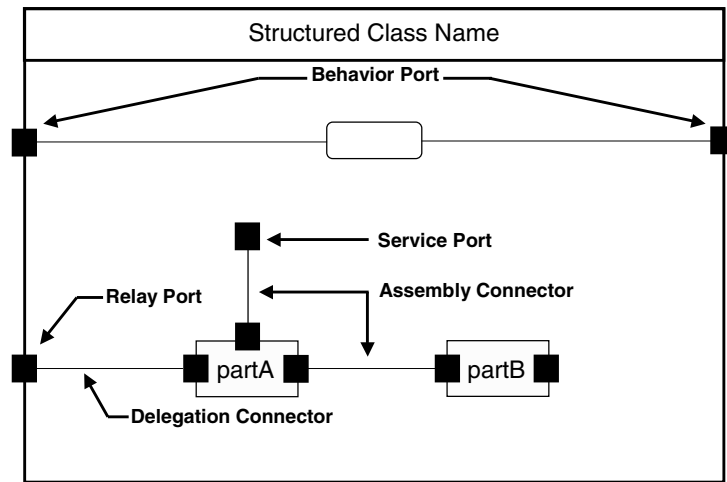
Behavior ports are shown by a line from the port to a small state symbol (a rectangle with rounded corners). This is meant to suggest a state machine, although other forms of behavior implementation are also permitted.

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Ask the students if the ports on the internal parts are relay ports or behavior ports. From our perspective, we don't know as the internals of the parts themselves are encapsulated away.

Review: Structure Diagram With Ports



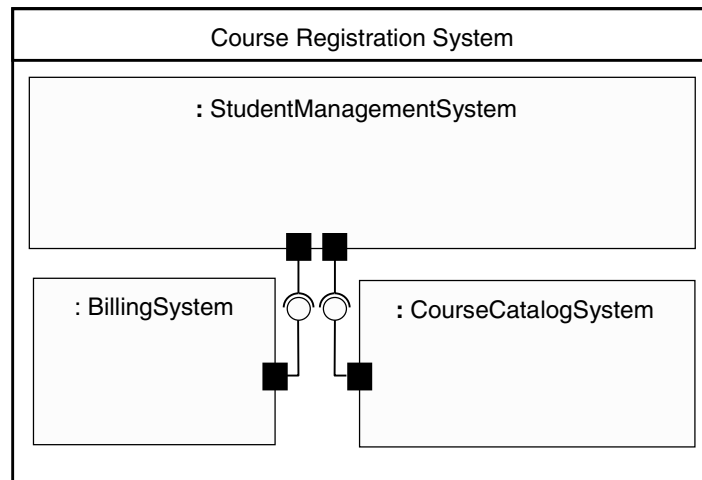
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Review: Structure Diagram

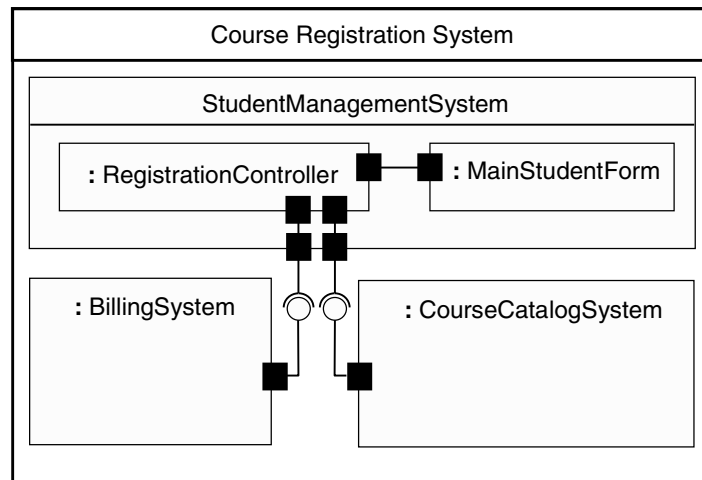


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Instructor Notes:

Example: Structure Diagram Detailed



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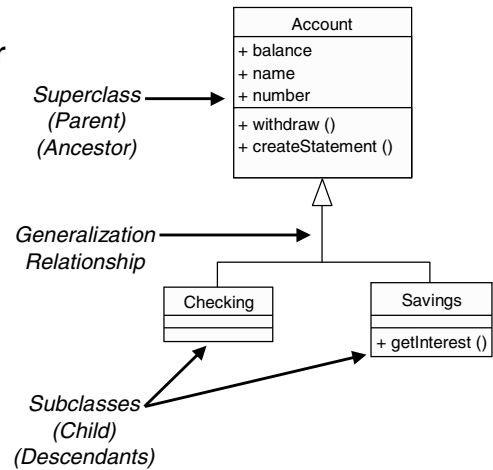
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Emphasize what happens when a change is made to a super class – the fact that all descendent classes must inherit the change whether they want to or not.

Note: For most languages, encapsulation is violated in the generalization relationship (in C++, attributes are often protected instead of private).

Review: Generalization

- ◆ One class shares the structure and/or behavior of one or more classes
- ◆ “Is a kind of” relationship
- ◆ In Analysis, use sparingly



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As discussed in Concepts of Object Orientation, generalization is a relationship among classes where one class shares the structure and/or behavior of one or more classes. This slide is repeated here for review purposes.

Generalization refines a hierarchy of abstractions in which a sub-class inherits from one or more super-classes.

Generalization is an “is a kind of” relationship. You should always be able to say that your generalized class “is a kind of” the parent class.

The terms “ancestor” and “descendent” may be used instead of “super-class” and “sub-class”.

In Analysis, generalization should be used only to model shared behavioral semantics (that is, generalization that passes the “is a” test). Generalization to promote and support reuse is determined in Design. In Analysis, the generalization should be used to reflect shared definitions/semantics. This promotes “brevity of expression.” The use of generalization makes the definitions of the abstractions easier to document and understand.

When generalization is found, a common super-class is created to contain the common attributes, associations, aggregations, and operations. The common behavior is removed from the classes that are to become sub-classes of the common super-class. A generalization relationship is drawn from the sub-class to the super-class.

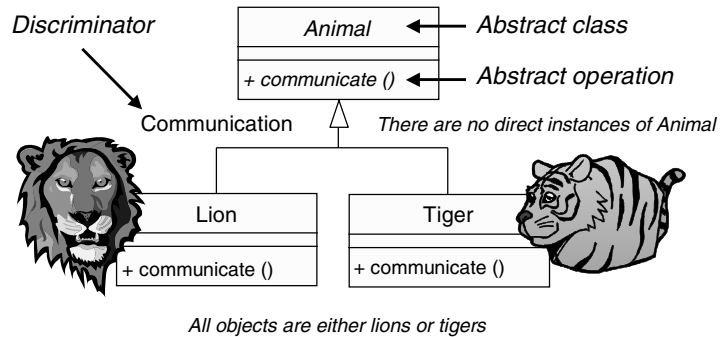
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Instructor Notes:

An abstract class must have at least one concrete class to be useful.

Abstract and Concrete Classes

- ♦ Abstract classes cannot have any objects
- ♦ Concrete classes can have objects



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A class that exists only for other classes to inherit from it is an **abstract** class. Classes that are to be used to instantiate objects are **concrete** classes.

An operation can also be tagged as abstract. This means that no implementation exists for the operation in the class where it is specified. A class that contains at least one abstract operation must be an abstract class. Classes that inherit from an abstract class must provide implementations for the abstract operations. Otherwise, the operations are considered abstract within the subclass, and the subclass is considered abstract, as well. Concrete classes have implementations for all operations.

In the UML, you designate a class as abstract by putting the class name in italics. For abstract operations, you put the operation signature in italics. The name of the abstract item can also be shown in italics.

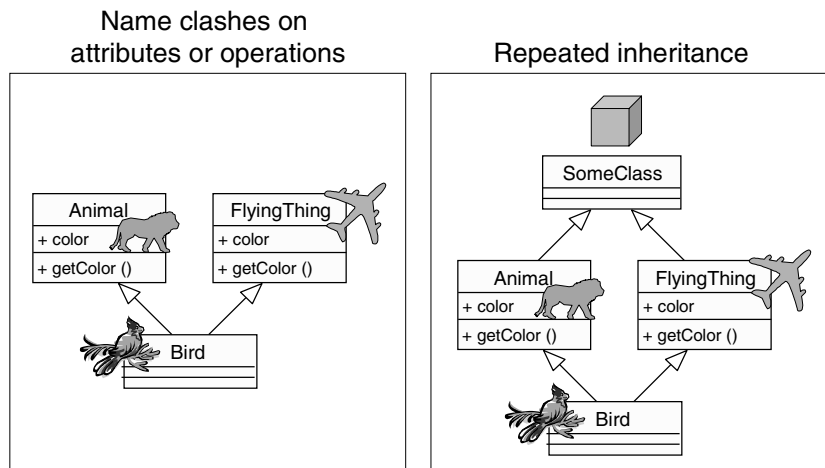
A **discriminator** can be used to indicate on what basis the generalization/specialization occurred. A discriminator describes a characteristic that differs in each of the subclasses. In the above example, we generalized/specialized in the area of communication.

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Instructor Notes:

See the language-specific appendices for examples of how the multiple inheritance problems are addressed in programming environments that support multiple inheritance.

Multiple Inheritance: Problems



Resolution of these problems is implementation-dependent.

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In practice, multiple inheritance is a complex design problem and may lead to implementation difficulties.

In general, multiple inheritance causes problems if any of the multiple parents have structure or behavior that overlaps. If the class inherits from several classes, you must check how the relationships, operations, and attributes are named in the ancestors.

Specifically, there are two issues associated with multiple inheritance:

Name collisions: Both ancestors have attributes and/or operations with the same name. If the same name appears in several ancestors, you must describe what this means to the specific inheriting class, for example, by qualifying the name to indicate its source of declaration.

Repeated inheritance: The same ancestor is being inherited by a descendant more than once. When this occurs, the inheritance hierarchy will have a "diamond shape" as shown above. The descendants end up with multiple copies of an ancestor.

If you are using repeated inheritance, you must have a clear definition of its semantics; in most cases this is defined by the programming language supporting the multiple inheritance.

In general, the programming language rules governing multiple inheritance are complex, and often difficult to use correctly. Therefore, it is recommended that you use multiple inheritance only when needed and always with caution.

Note: You can use delegation as a workaround to multiple inheritance problems. Delegation is described later in this module.

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Instructor Notes:

No matter what constraint is used, you cannot assume that any diagram contains the complete inheritance hierarchy. Inheritance hierarchies may be elided on diagrams for clarity.

Generalization Constraints

- ◆ **Complete**
 - End of the inheritance tree
- ◆ **Incomplete**
 - Inheritance tree may be extended
- ◆ **Disjoint**
 - Subclasses mutually exclusive
 - Doesn't support multiple inheritance
- ◆ **Overlapping**
 - Subclasses are not mutually exclusive
 - Supports multiple inheritance

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The UML defines four standard constraints for generalization relationships:

Complete: This constraint indicates the end of the inheritance hierarchy. All children in the generalization relationship have been defined in the model. No more children can be defined. The “leaves” of the inheritance hierarchy cannot be specialized any further. Use the Complete constraint to explicitly note that the generalization hierarchy has not been fully specified in the model.

Incomplete: All children in the generalization relationship have not been defined in the model. More children may be defined. The “leaves” of the inheritance hierarchy may be specialized. Use the Incomplete constraint to explicitly note that the generalization hierarchy has not been fully specified in the model.

The following two constraints only apply in the context of multiple inheritance:

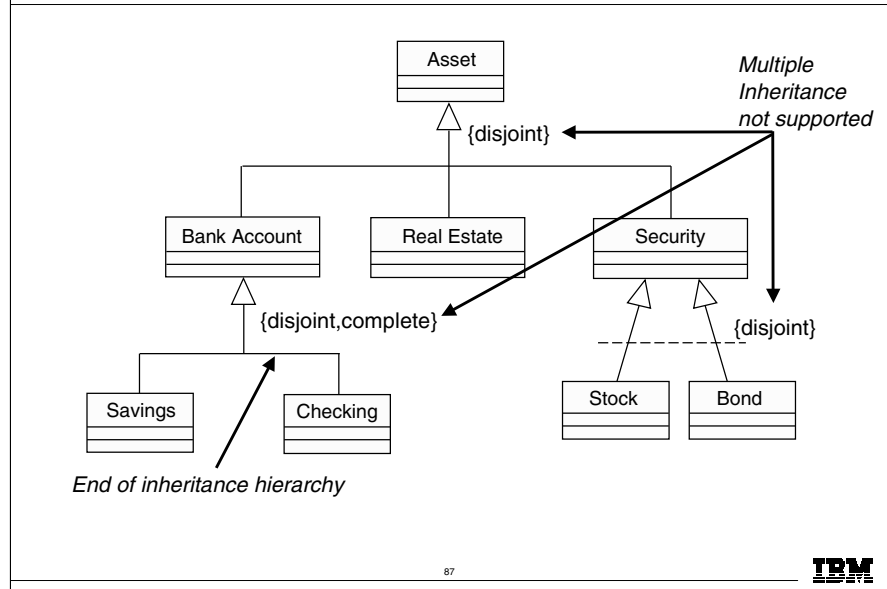
Disjoint: An object of the parent cannot have more than one of the children as its type (that is, subclasses are mutually exclusive). Disjoint is used to support the modeling of static classification, where an object cannot change its type at run-time.

Overlapping: An object of the parent may have more than one of the children as its type. Overlapping is used to support the modeling of dynamic classification, where an object can change its type at run-time. It shows the potential types of an object.

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Example: Generalization Constraints



This example demonstrates the use of the Complete and Disjoint constraints:

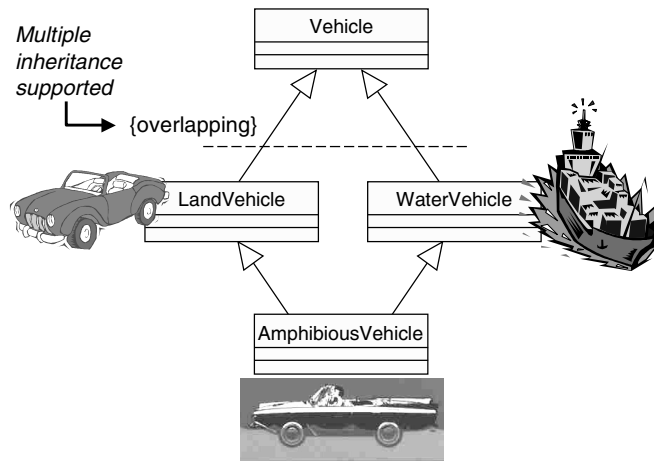
Complete: The Savings and Checking classes cannot be specialized (a generalization relationship cannot be defined in which they are the parent). These classes (and any siblings) mark the end of the inheritance hierarchy.

Disjoint: A BankAccount object cannot be both a Savings and a Checking account (that is, no multiple inheritance where parents in the multiple inheritance are the children of BankAccount).

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Example: Generalization Constraints (continued)



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This example demonstrates the use of the overlapping constraint. The AmphibiousVehicle class can inherit from both LandVehicle and WaterVehicle, which both inherit from Vehicle.

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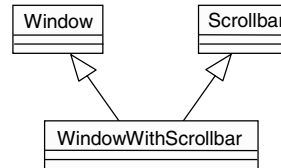
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Generalization vs. Aggregation

- ◆ Generalization and aggregation are often confused
 - Generalization represents an “is a” or “kind-of” relationship
 - Aggregation represents a “part-of” relationship



Is this correct?

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The key phrases “is a” and “part of” help to determine correct relationship.

With inheritance:

- Keywords “is a”
- One object

With Aggregation:

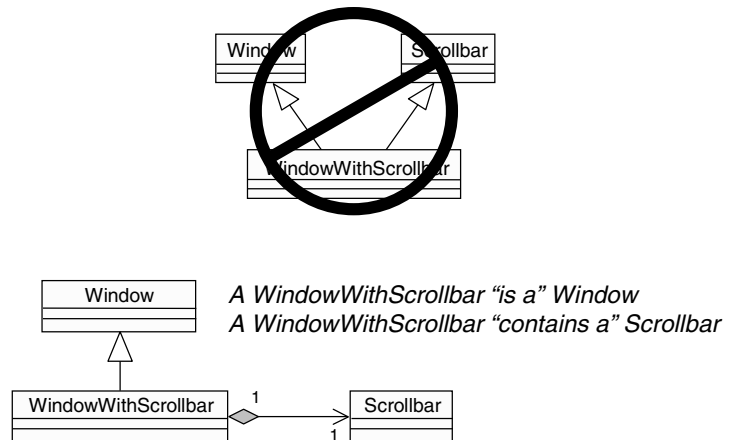
- Keywords “part of”
- Relates multiple objects

Is the above example a proper use of generalization? If not, what would be a better way to model the information that maintains generalization “is a” semantics?

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Instructor Notes:

Generalization vs. Aggregation



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In this example, Scrollbar is "part of" a WindowWithScrollbar and, as such, the relationship is a composition. Scrollbar object is created/destroyed along with the WindowWithScrollbar object.

WindowWithScrollbar, on the other hand, "is a" Window, so its relationship to Window is a generalization.

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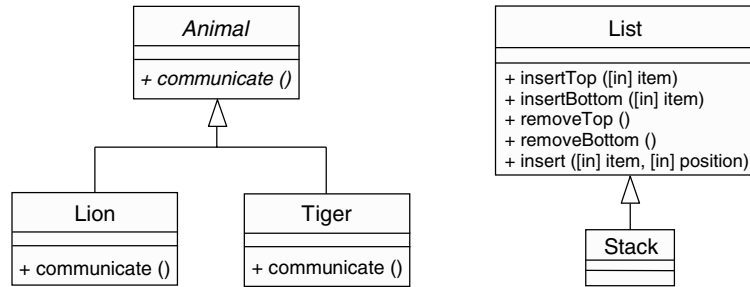
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Generalization: Share Common Properties and Behavior

- ◆ Follows the “is a” style of programming
- ◆ Class substitutability



Do these classes follow the “is a” style of programming?

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A subtype is a type of relationship expressed with inheritance. A subtype specifies that the descendent is a type of the ancestor and must follow the rules of the “is a” style of programming.

The “is a” style of programming states that the descendent “is a” type of the ancestor and can fill in for all its ancestors in any situation.

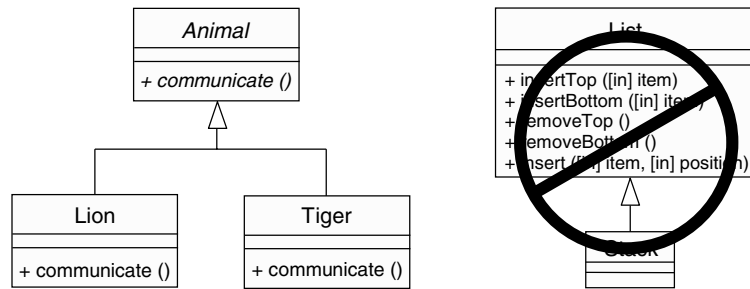
The “is a” style of programming passes the Liskov Substitution Principle, which states: “If for each object O1 of type S there is an object O2 of type T such that for all programs P defined in terms of T, the behavior of P is unchanged when O1 is substituted for O2 then S is a subtype of T.”

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Instructor Notes:

Another good discussion is to ask the class whether a square should inherit from a rectangle or vice versa.

Generalization: Share Common Properties and Behavior (cont.)



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The classes on the left-hand side of the diagram do follow the "is a" style of programming: a Lion is an Animal and a Tiger is an animal.

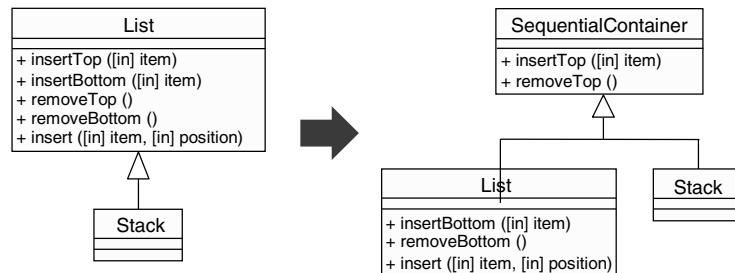
The classes on the right side of the diagram do *not* follow the "is a" style of programming: a Stack is not a List. Stack needs some of the behavior of a List but not all of the behavior. If a method expects a List, then the operation insert(position) should be successful. If the method is passed a Stack, then the insert (position) will fail.

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Instructor Notes:

Generalization: Share Implementation: Factoring

- ◆ Supports the reuse of the implementation of another class
- ◆ Cannot be used if the class you want to “reuse” cannot be changed



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Factoring is useful if there are some services provided by a class that you want to leverage in the implementation of another class.

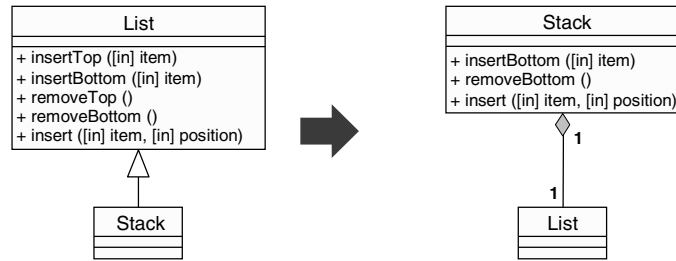
When you factor, you extract the functionality you want to reuse and inherit from the new base class.

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Instructor Notes:

Generalization Alternative: Share Implementation: Delegation

- ♦ Supports the reuse of the implementation of another class
- ♦ Can be used if the class you want to “reuse” cannot be changed



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With delegation, you use a composition relationship to “reuse” the desired functionality. All operations that require the “reused” service are “passed through” to the contained class instance.

With delegation, you lose the benefit of polymorphic behavior, but you do have a model that more clearly expresses the nature of the domain (being that it is NOT “is a”).

This is commonly used by mix-ins. Implementing mix-ins with composition permits run-time binding to objects rather than compile-time binding enforced by inheritance.

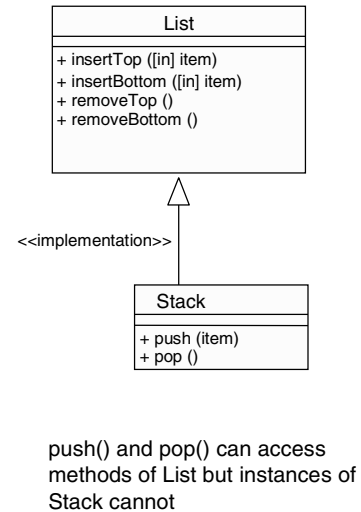
Note: You can also use delegation as a workaround to multiple inheritance problems discussed earlier. Have the sub-class inherit from one of the super-classes, and then use aggregation from the subclass to access the structure and behaviors of the other classes.

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Instructor Notes:

Implementation Inheritance

- ◆ Ancestor public operations, attributes, and relationships are NOT visible to clients of descendent class instances
- ◆ Descendent class must define all access to ancestor operations, attributes, and relationships



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An <<implementation>> stereotype can be used to model implementation inheritance. Implementation inheritance is where the implementation of a specific element is inherited or reused.

Implementation inheritance often leads to illogical inheritance hierarchies that are difficult to understand and to maintain. Therefore, it is recommended that you use inheritance *only* for implementation reuse, unless something else is recommended in using your programming language. Maintenance of this kind of reuse is usually quite tricky.

In the above example, any change in the class List can imply large changes of all classes inheriting from the class List. Be aware of this and inherit only stable classes. Inheritance will actually freeze the implementation of the class List because changes to it are too expensive.

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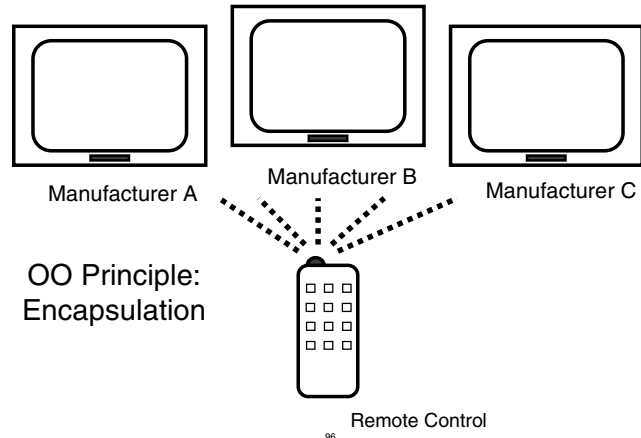
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Another example of polymorphism: There is a toddler sitting in front of some blocks and a teenager sitting in front of a piano. An adult walks into the room and says, “Play.” The toddler plays with the blocks and the teenager plays the piano.

Another example: the accelerator on different cars.

Review: What Is Polymorphism?

- ♦ The ability to hide many different implementations behind a single interface



Polymorphism was first introduced in the Concepts of Object Orientation module. This slide is repeated here for review purposes.

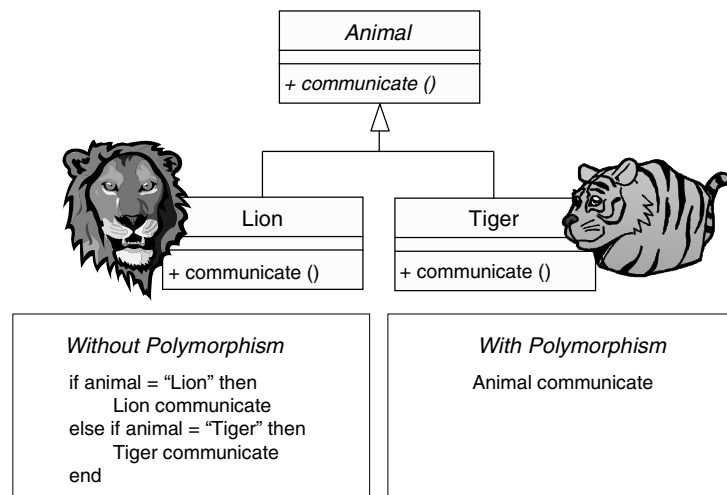
The Greek term polymorphos means “having many forms”. Every implementation of the interface must implement at least the interface. The implementation can in some cases implement more than the interface.

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It may be helpful to discuss dynamic binding at this point; however, try not to get too bogged down in implementation language discussions. Normally the particular method to be executed as a result of a function call is known at compile time. This is called static (or early) binding. The compiler replaces the function call with code telling the program which address to jump to in order to find that function. With polymorphism, the particular type of object for which a method is to be invoked is not known until run time. The compiler cannot provide the address at compile time. The method is selected by the program as it is running. This is known as late binding or dynamic linking. See the language-specific appendices for how this is handled by specific programming languages.

Generalization: Implement Polymorphism



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Inheritance provides a way to implement polymorphism in cases where polymorphism is implemented the same way for a set of classes. This means that abstract base classes that simply declare inherited operations, but which have no implementations of the operations, can be replaced with interfaces. Inheritance can now be restricted to inheritance of implementations only, if desired.

Polymorphism is not generalization; generalization is one way to implement polymorphism. Polymorphism through generalization is the ability to define alternate methods for ancestor class operations in the descendent classes. This can reduce the amount of code to be written, as well as help abstract the interface to descendent classes.

Polymorphism is an advantage of inheritance realized during implementation and at run time.

Programming environments that support polymorphism use dynamic binding, meaning that the actual code to execute is determined at run time rather than compile time.

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Instructor Notes:

If you have a group of Java developers emphasize this page and skip over the next one.

Polymorphism: Use of Interfaces vs. Generalization

- ◆ Interfaces support implementation-independent representation of polymorphism
 - Realization relationships can cross generalization hierarchies
- ◆ Interfaces are pure specifications, no behavior
 - Abstract base class may define attributes and associations
- ◆ Interfaces are totally independent of inheritance
 - Generalization is used to re-use implementations
 - Interfaces are used to re-use behavioral specifications
- ◆ Generalization provides a way to implement polymorphism

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There are several differences between the use of generalization (abstract base classes) and interfaces:

- Interfaces allow us to define polymorphism in a declarative way, unrelated to implementation. Two elements are polymorphic with respect to a set of behaviors if they realize the same interfaces. Interfaces are orthogonal to class inheritance lineage; two different classifiers may realize the same interface but be unrelated in their class hierarchies.
- Interfaces are purely specifications of behavior (a set of operation signatures). An abstract base class may define attributes and associations as well.
- Interfaces are totally independent of inheritance. Generalization is employed to re-use implementations; interfaces are employed to re-use and formalize behavioral specifications
- Generalization provides a way to implement polymorphism in cases where polymorphism is implemented the same way for a set of classes. The use of generalization to support polymorphism was discussed earlier in this module.

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Polymorphism via Generalization Design Decisions

- ◆ Provide interface only to descendant classes?
 - Design ancestor as an abstract class
 - All methods are provided by descendent classes
- ◆ Provide interface and default behavior to descendent classes?
 - Design ancestor as a concrete class with a default method
 - Allow polymorphic operations
- ◆ Provide interface and mandatory behavior to descendent classes?
 - Design ancestor as a concrete class
 - Do not allow polymorphic operations

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When designing the use of generalization to support polymorphism, there are three basic decisions that must be made:

- Do you want to provide a function's interface only to descendant classes? If so, design the ancestor as an abstract class, and only design methods for the descendent classes.
- Do you want to provide a function's interface and default behavior to descendent classes? If so, design the ancestor as a concrete class with a default method, and allow descendents to redefine the method.
- Do you want to provide a function's interface and mandatory behavior to descendent classes? If so, design the ancestor as a concrete class and disallow descendents from defining their own method for the operations.

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What Is Metamorphosis?

♦ Metamorphosis

- 1. A change in form, structure, or function; specifically the physical change undergone by some animals, as of the tadpole to the frog.
- 2. Any marked change, as in character, appearance, or condition.

~ Webster's New World Dictionary, Simon & Schuster, Inc.

Metamorphosis exists in the real world.
How should it be modeled?

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Example: Metamorphosis

- ♦ In the university, there are full-time students and part-time students
 - Part-time students may take a maximum of three courses but there is no maximum for full-time students
 - Full-time students have an expected graduation date but part-time students do not

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+ studentID
+ maxNumCourses

FullTimeStudent
+ name
+ address
+ studentID
+ gradDate

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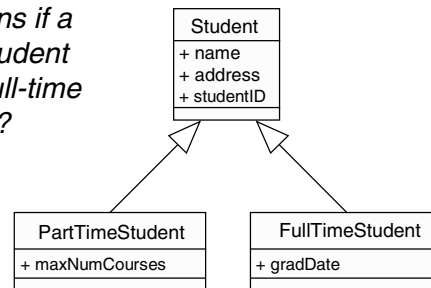
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Modeling Metamorphosis: One Approach

- ♦ A generalization relationship may be created

*What happens if a
part-time student
becomes a full-time
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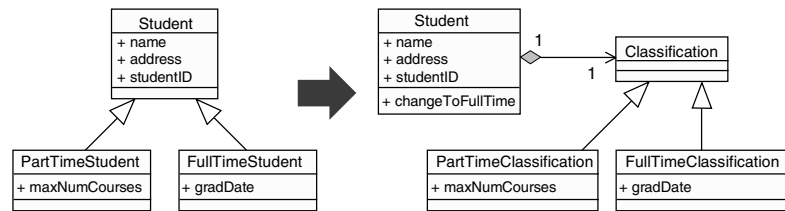


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Instructor Notes:

Modeling Metamorphosis: Another Approach

- ♦ Inheritance may be used to model common structure, behavior, and/or relationships to the “changing” parts



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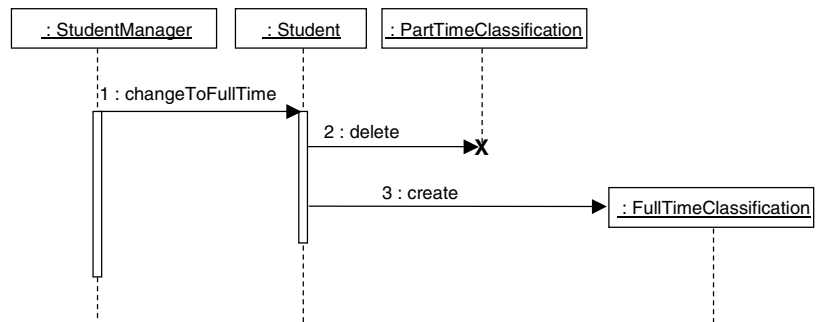
This example shows the “before” and “after” with regard to implementing metamorphosis.

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Instructor Notes:

Modeling Metamorphosis: Another Approach (continued)

- ♦ Metamorphosis is accomplished by the object “talking” to the changing parts



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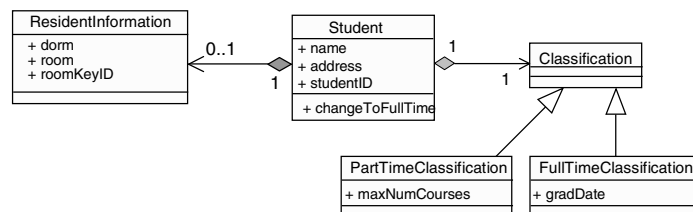
The “x” referred here in the sequence diagram is a stop. It shows that the life of the instance has ended. This is a preferred way of showing the termination of the instance. The “create” introduces a new object in the sequence diagram.

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Instructor Notes:

Metamorphosis and Flexibility

- ♦ This technique also adds to the flexibility of the model



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In this example, a student might also live on campus. In this case, there is a dorm identifier, a room number, and a room key number.

ResidentInformation is just a hypothetical class. It does not exist in the Course Registration model supplied with the course materials.

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Instructor Notes:

Class Design Steps

- ◆ Create Initial Design Classes
- ◆ Define Operations
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- ◆ Define States
- ◆ Define Attributes
- ◆ Define Dependencies
- ◆ Define Associations
- ◆ Define Internal Structure
- ◆ Define Generalizations
- ☆ ◆ Resolve Use-Case Collisions
- ◆ Handle Non-Functional Requirements in General
- ◆ Checkpoints



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The purpose of this step is to prevent concurrency conflicts caused when two or more use cases access instances of the design class simultaneously, in potentially inconsistent ways.

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Instructor Notes:

It may be possible for different operations on the same object to be invoked simultaneously by different threads of execution without a concurrency conflict; both the name and address of a customer may be modified concurrently without conflict. It is only when two different threads of execution attempt to modify the same property of the object that a conflict occurs.

Remind the students that every developer should not be making these decisions on his or her own. The architect should have provided some guidance in the Design Guidelines artifact.

Resolve Use-Case Collisions

- ♦ Multiple use cases may simultaneously access design objects
- ♦ Options
 - Use synchronous messaging => first-come first-serve order processing
 - Identify operations (or code) to protect
 - Apply access control mechanisms
 - Message queuing
 - Semaphores (or “tokens”)
 - Other locking mechanism
- ♦ Resolution is highly dependent on implementation environment

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One of the difficulties with proceeding use case-by-use case through the design process is that two or more use cases may simultaneously attempt to invoke operations on design objects in potentially conflicting ways. In these cases, concurrency conflicts must be identified and resolved explicitly.

If synchronous messaging is used, execution of an operation will block subsequent calls to the objects until the operation completes. Synchronous messaging implies a first-come first-served ordering to message processing. This may resolve the concurrency conflict, as in cases where all messages have the same priority, or where every message runs within the same execution thread. In cases where an object may be accessed by different threads of execution, explicit mechanisms must be used to prevent or resolve the concurrency conflict.

For each object that may be accessed concurrently by different threads of execution, identify the code sections that must be protected from simultaneous access. If code is not available, identify which operations must be protected.

Next, select or design appropriate access control mechanisms to prevent conflicting simultaneous access. Examples of these mechanisms include message queuing to serialize access, use of semaphores (or “tokens”) to allow access to only one thread at a time, or other variants of locking mechanisms.

The choice of mechanism tends to be highly implementation — dependent, and typically varies with the programming language and operating environment. See the project-specific Design Guidelines for guidance on selecting concurrency mechanisms.

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- ◆ Checkpoints

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The purpose of this step is to make sure the design classes are refined to handle general non-functional requirements as stated in the Design Guidelines specific to the project (that is, to make sure that all mechanisms mapped to the class have been taken into account).

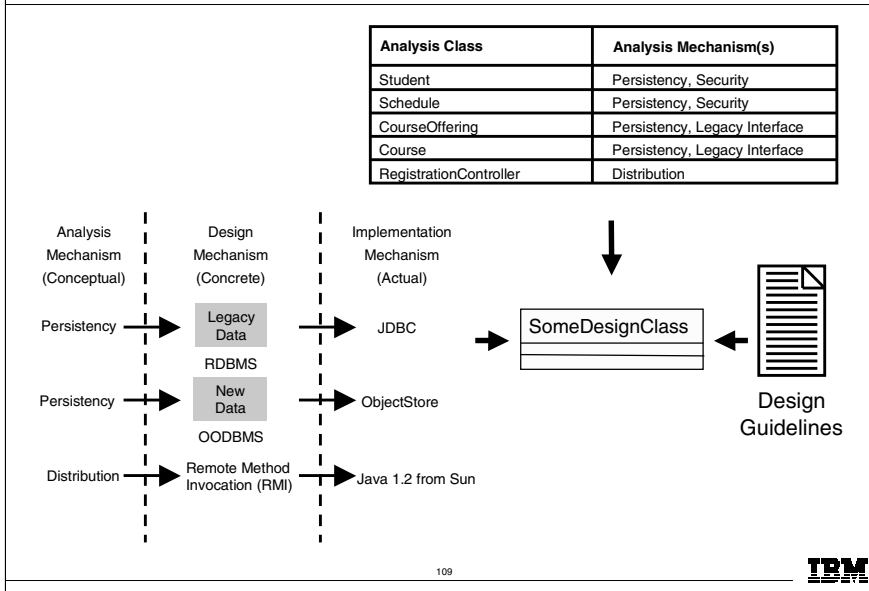
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Some mechanisms may already have been incorporated into the design classes (as is the case with all of the mechanisms that we focused on in this course).

However, it is important for the students to understand that a design class must be able to handle all non-functional requirements mapped to it, and not all of these show up explicitly on the interaction diagrams like the ones we have demonstrated in this course.

Handle Non-Functional Requirements in General



The design classes should be refined to handle general non-functional requirements as stated in the Design Guidelines specific to the project. Important inputs to this step are the non-functional requirements on a class that may already be stated in its special requirements and responsibilities. Such requirements are often specified in terms of what architectural (analysis) mechanisms are needed to realize the class. In this step the class is refined to incorporate the design mechanisms corresponding to these analysis mechanisms.

If you remember, the available design mechanisms were identified and characterized by the architect during Identify Design Mechanisms and were documented in the Design Guidelines.

In this step, the designer should, for each design mechanism needed, qualify as many characteristics as possible, giving ranges where appropriate.

Several general design guidelines and mechanisms that need to be taken into consideration when classes are designed, including:

- How to use existing products and components
- How to adapt to the programming language
- How to distribute objects
- How to achieve acceptable performance
- How to achieve certain security levels
- How to handle errors

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The interaction diagrams will need to be updated to incorporate any added classes. For example, if you split a class into two classes, the interaction diagrams where instances of that class participate need to be updated. This is really part of another iteration of the Use-Case Design activity, for the case of Use-Case Realization interaction diagrams. Emphasize that the model is going to evolve over time. As you understand the system more and more, the abstractions you are creating will become cleaner and cleaner. It is expected that classes will split and join together. Operations and attributes will be moved between classes. Classes will be moved between packages. Relationships between classes and packages will be refined, and so on. All of this is a natural evolution of the model as you improve each abstraction.

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In this step, we verify that the Design Model fulfills the requirements of the system, is consistent with respect to the general design guidelines, and that it serves as a good basis for its implementation.

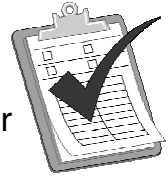
You should check the Design Model at this stage to verify that your work is headed in the right direction. There is no need to review the model in detail, but you should consider the checkpoints described on the next few slides.

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Instructor Notes:

Checkpoints: Classes

- ◆ Clear class names
- ◆ One well-defined abstraction
- ◆ Functionally coupled attributes/behavior
- ◆ Generalizations were made
- ◆ All class requirements were addressed
- ◆ Demands are consistent with state machines
- ◆ Complete class instance life cycle is described
- ◆ The class has the required behavior



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These are the questions you should be asking at this stage:
Does the name of each class clearly reflect the role it plays?

- Does the class represent a single well-defined abstraction?

If the class does not represent a single well-defined abstraction, you should consider splitting it.

- Are all attributes and responsibilities functionally coupled?

The class should only define attributes, responsibilities, or operations that are functionally coupled to the other attributes, responsibilities, or operations defined by that class.

- Are there any class attributes, operations or relationships that should be generalized, that is, moved to an ancestor?

- Are all specific requirements on the class addressed?

- Are the demands on the class consistent with any state machines that model the behavior of the class and its instances?

The demands on the class (as reflected in the class description and by the objects in sequence diagrams) should be consistent with any state diagram that models the behavior of the class and its objects.

- Is the complete life cycle of an instance of the class described?

The complete lifecycle of an instance of the class should be described. Each object must be created, used, and removed by one or more Use-Case Realizations.

- Does the class offer the required behavior?

The classes should offer the behavior that the Use-Case Realizations and other classes require.

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Instructor Notes:

Checkpoints: Operations

- ♦ Operations are easily understood
- ♦ State description is correct
- ♦ Required behavior is offered
- ♦ Parameters are defined correctly
- ♦ Messages are completely assigned operations
- ♦ Implementation specifications are correct
- ♦ Signatures conform to standards
- ♦ All operations are needed by Use-Case Realizations



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These are the questions you should ask about the operations of each class:

- Are the operations understandable?

The names of the operations should be descriptive and the operations should be understandable to those who want to use them.

- Is the state description of the class and its objects' behavior correct?
- Does the class offer the behavior required of it?
- Have you defined the parameters correctly?

Make sure that the parameters have been defined for each operation, and that there are not too many parameters for an operation.

- Have you assigned operations for the messages of each object completely?
- Are the implementation specifications (if any) for an operation correct?
- Do the operation signatures conform to the standards of the target programming language?
- Are all the operations needed by the Use-Case Realizations?

Remove any operations that are redundant or not needed by the Use-Case Realizations.

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Instructor Notes:

Checkpoints: Attributes

- ♦ A single concept
- ♦ Descriptive names
- ♦ All attributes are needed by Use-Case Realizations



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When thinking about attributes consider the following questions:

- Does each attribute represent a single conceptual thing?
- Are the names of the attributes descriptive?
- Are all the attributes needed by the Use-Case Realizations?

Remove any attributes that are redundant or not needed by the Use-Case Realizations.

Be sure to identify and define any applicable default attribute values.

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Instructor Notes:

Checkpoints: Relationships

- ◆ Descriptive role names
- ◆ Correct multiplicities



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- Are the role names descriptive?
- Are the multiplicities of the relationships correct?

The role names of the aggregations and associations should describe the relationship between the associated class and the relating class.

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Instructor Notes:

1. The purpose of the Class Design is to ensure that the classes provide the behavior the Use-Case Realizations require.
2. Classes should map directly to some phenomenon in the implementation language in such a way that the mapping results in good code.
3. A state machine is a tool for describing events that cause an object to transition from state to state. Not all objects require state machines.
4. A **state** is a condition in the life of an object. An **event** is a specific occurrence (in time and space) of a stimulus that can trigger a state transition. A **transition** is a change from an originating state to a successor state as a result of some stimulus. A **guard condition** is a Boolean expression of attribute values that allows a transition only if the condition is true. An **action** is an atomic execution that results in a change in state, or the return of a value. An **activity** is a non-atomic execution within a state machine.
5. A **dependency** is a relationship between two objects. It is a non-structural relationship, whereas an **association** is a structural relationship.
6. A **structured class** is a class that contains parts or roles that form its structure and realizes its behavior. A **connector** models the communication link between interconnected parts.

Review: Class Design

- ♦ What is the purpose of Class Design?
- ♦ In what ways are classes refined?
- ♦ Are state machines created for every class?
- ♦ What are the major components of a state machine? Provide a brief description of each.
- ♦ What is the difference between a dependency and an association?
- ♦ What is a structured class? What is a connector?

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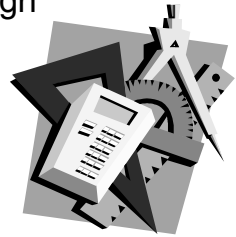


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Instructor Notes:

Exercise 2: Class Design

- ◆ Given the following:
 - The Use-Case Realization for a use case and/or the detailed design of a subsystem
 - Payroll Exercise Solution, Exercise: Use-Case Design, Part 1
 - The design of all participating design elements
 - Payroll Exercise Solution, Exercise: Subsystem Design



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The goal of this exercise is to refine the relationships that a design class has with other design elements (that is, to design the class relationships).

For this exercise, we will focus our efforts on the Use-Case Realizations that were developed in the Use-Case Design module and/or the subsystem interface realizations developed in the Subsystem Design module.

At this point, the design of the model elements (classes and subsystems) includes a first attempt at attributes and operations, with complete signatures, as well as any defined relationships.

References to the givens:

- **Use-Case Realizations:** Payroll Exercise Solution, Exercise: Use-Case Design, Part 1.
- **Subsystem interface realizations:** Payroll Exercise Solution, Exercise: Subsystem Design section.

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Instructor Notes:

Review the relationship design decisions that must be made, as well as the considerations that drive those decisions.

Exercise 2: Class Design (continued)

♦ Identify the following:

- The required navigability for each relationship
- Any additional classes to support the relationship design
- Any associations refined into dependencies
- Any associations refined into aggregations or compositions
- Any refinements to multiplicity
- Any refinements to existing generalizations
- Any new applications of generalization
 - Make sure any metamorphosis is considered



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During relationship design, you must look at each relationship for its:

- **Type:** Need to decide if the relationship is appropriate. In most cases, you will look at each association to decide if it should remain an association or be refined into a dependency relationship. When making this decision, it is important to define the relationship visibility (that is, field, local, global, or parameter).
- **Navigability:** Is the defined navigability still valid? For two-way/bi-directional relationships, are both directions really needed? (Remember, implementing bi-directional relationships is more expensive.)
- **Multiplicity:** Is the defined multiplicity still valid?

When designing the relationships, you will need to consult both the static and dynamic uses of the relationship (that is, the VOPC and the Use-Case Realization interaction diagrams).

Be sure to note the rationale for your choices. For example, for every association that is refined into a dependency, note the visibility behind it (for example, local, global, parameter).

Examine each of the class diagrams produced up to this point and determine if and where generalization could be used.

Hint: Keep in mind metamorphosis and see if the technique applies.

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The exercise solution can be found in the Payroll Exercise Solution, Use-Case Design, Exercise: Use-Case Design.

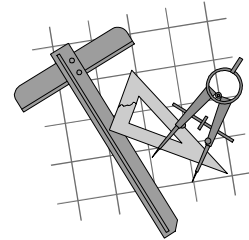
The Payroll solution includes the following:

- **Login Use-Case Realization:** incorporates the Security mechanism (secure user setup)
- **Maintain Timecard Use-Case Realization:** incorporates a subsystem interface (IProjectManagement), the persistency (OODBMS update), security (secure user propagation, secure data access), and distribution (distributed TimecardController) mechanisms.
- **Run Payroll Use-Case Realization:** incorporates a subsystem interface (IBankSystem), the persistency (OODBMS read), and distribution (distributed PayrollController) mechanisms. It does not include the Security mechanism because the PayrollController is meant to be "all-knowing" and "all-seeing" and thus has open access to all secure data for Employees.

Note: There are separate Use-Case Realizations that describe the incorporation of the different mechanisms, as well as Use-Case Realizations that include everything, so you can pick the use case for the mechanisms you covered, if any.

Exercise 2: Class Design (continued)

- ♦ **Produce the following:**
 - An updated VOPC, including the relationship refinements (generalization, dependency, association)



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The Class diagram you produce can include any number of classes, as long as it effectively demonstrates the use of generalization.

If the generalization changes affect Use-Case Realization diagrams, these diagrams should be updated, as well. Not all generalization changes will require Use-Case Realization refinements (however, generalization to support metamorphosis usually do).

References to sample diagrams within the course that are similar to what should be produced are:

- **Define Dependencies:** 13-52 and 13-53.
- **Generalization:** slides 13-93; 13-94, 13-102.

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Instructor Notes:

Exercise 2: Review

- ♦ Compare your results
 - ♦ Do your dependencies represent context independent relationships?
 - ♦ Are the multiplicities on the relationships correct?
 - ♦ Does the inheritance structure capture common design abstractions, and not implementation considerations?
 - ♦ Is the obvious commonality reflected in the inheritance hierarchy?



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After completing a model, it is important to step back and review your work. Here are some helpful questions:

- Do you dependencies represent context independent relationships?
- Are the multiplicities on the relationships correct?
- Does the inheritance structure capture common design abstractions, and not implementation considerations?
- Is the obvious commonality reflected in the inheritance hierarchy?

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