

More on Class Diagram Implementation




State of the Art:

Model-based Software Engineering

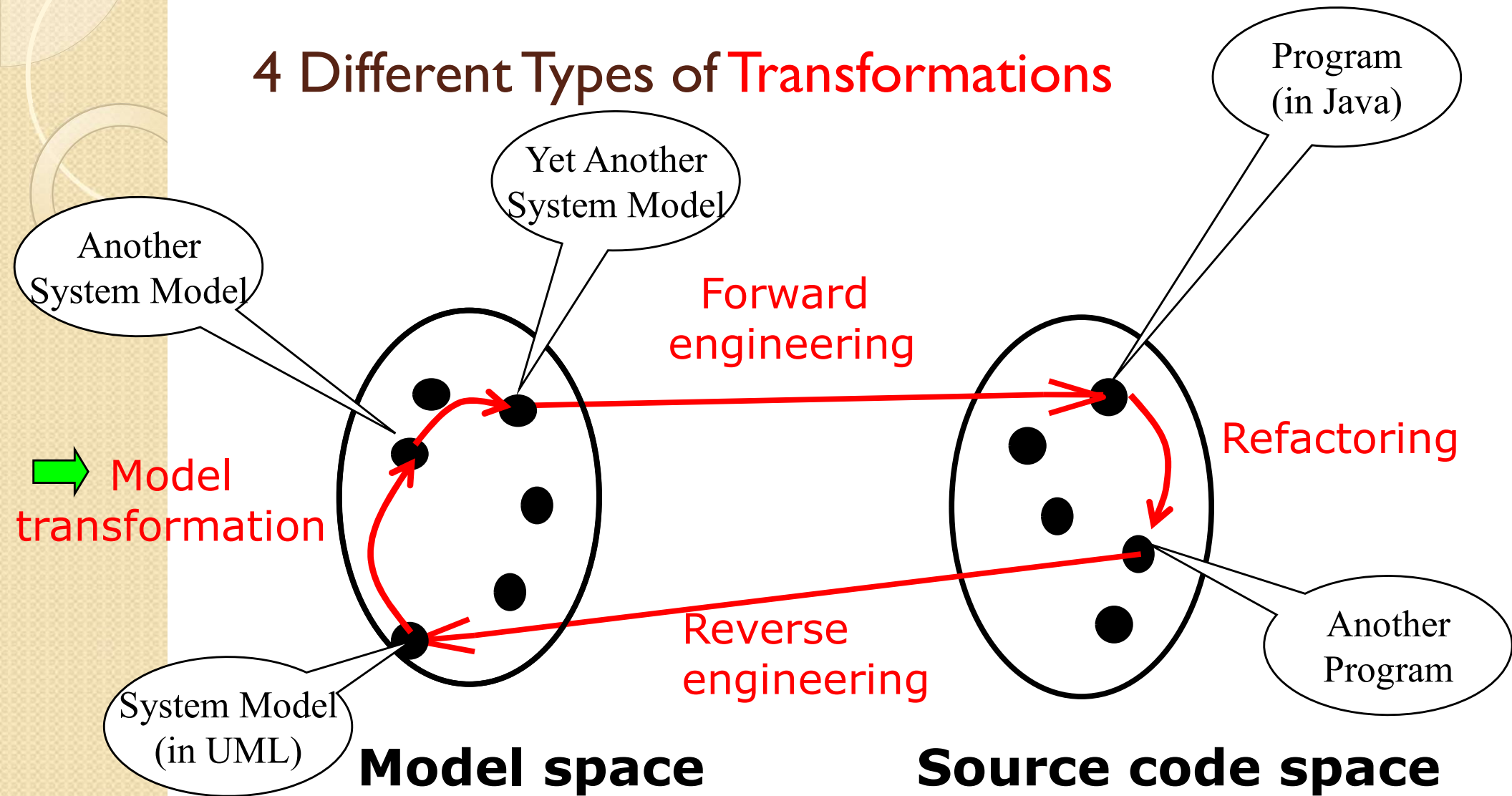
- The Vision
 - During object design we build an object design model that realizes the use case model and which is the basis for implementation (model-driven engineering)
- The Reality
 - Working on the object design model involves many activities that are error prone
 - Examples:
 - A new parameter must be added to an operation. Because of time pressure it is added to the source code, but not to the object model
 - Additional attributes are added to an entity object, but the data base table is not updated (as a result, the new attributes are not persistent).

Problems with implementing an Object Design Model

- Programming languages do not support the concept of UML associations
 - The associations of the object model must be transformed into collections of object references
- Many programming languages do not support contracts (invariants, pre and post conditions)
 - Developers must therefore manually transform contract specification into source code for detecting and handling contract violations
- The client changes the requirements during object design
 - The developer must change the contracts in which the classes are involved
- All these object design activities cause **problems**, because they need to be done manually.

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- Let us get a handle on these problems
 - To do this we distinguish two kinds of spaces
 - the model space and the source code space
 - and 4 different types of transformations
 - Model transformation
 - Forward engineering
 - Reverse engineering
 - Refactoring.

4 Different Types of Transformations



Model Transformation

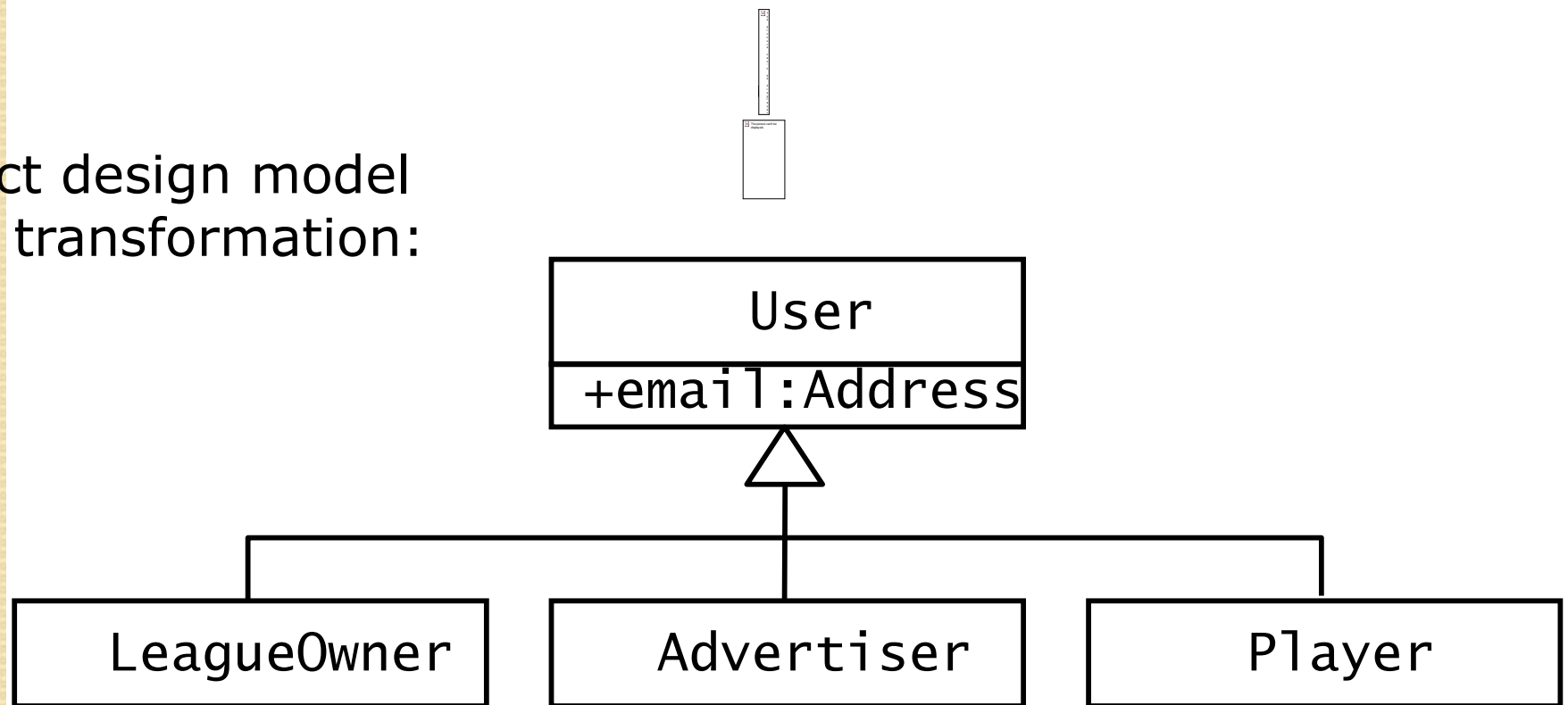
- Takes as input a model conforming to a meta model (for example the MOF metamodel) and produces as output another model conforming to the metamodel
- Model transformations are used in MDA (Model Driven Architecture).

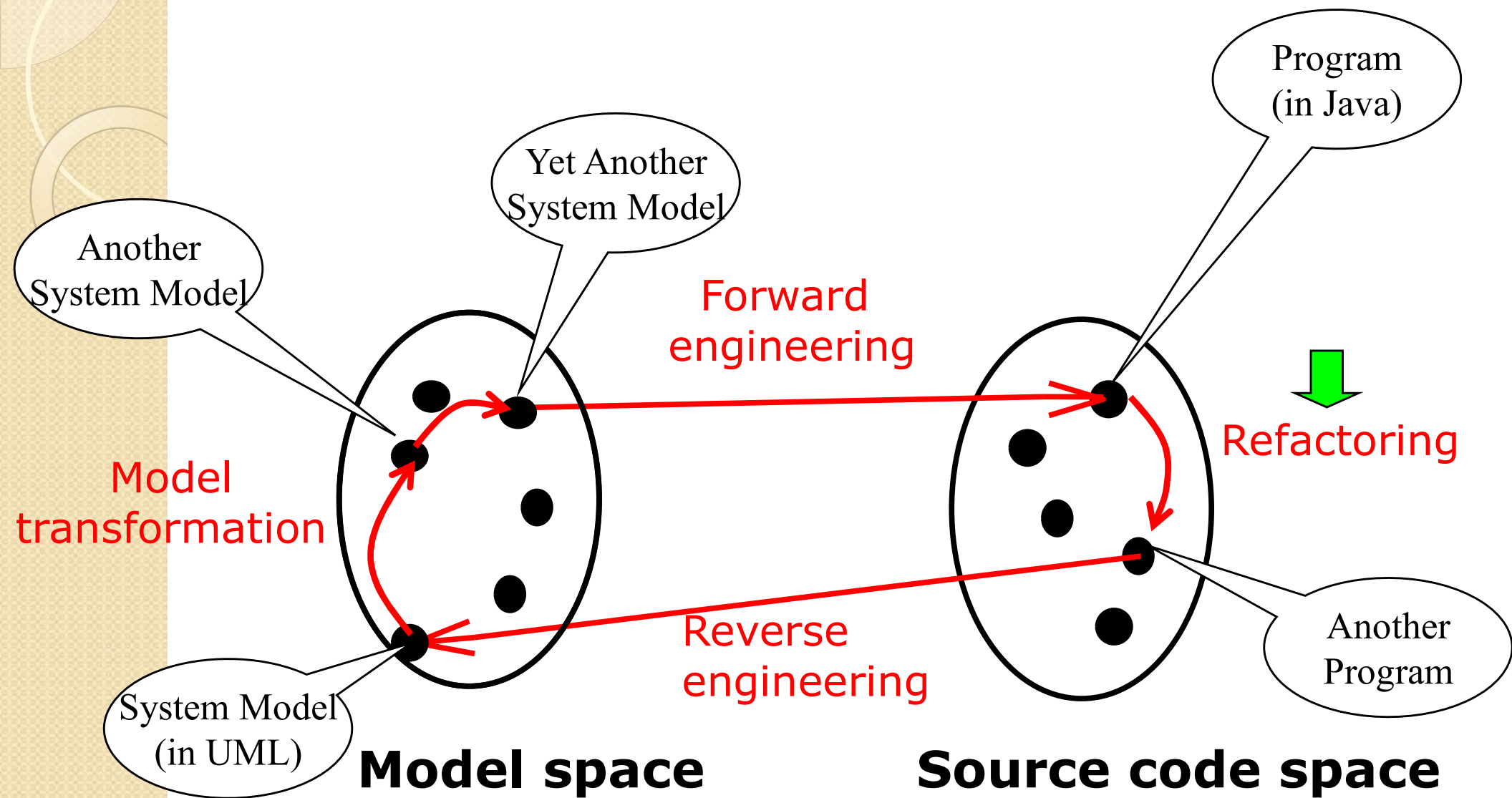
Model Transformation Example

Object design model before transformation:



Object design model after transformation:





Refactoring : Pull Up Field

```
public class Player {  
    private String email;  
    //...  
}  
  
public class LeagueOwner {  
    private String eMail;  
    //...  
}  
  
public class Advertiser {  
    private String  
    email_address;  
    //...  
}
```

```
public class User {  
    private String email;  
}  
  
public class Player extends User {  
    //...  
}  
  
public class LeagueOwner extends  
    User {  
    //...  
}  
  
public class Advertiser extends User  
    {  
    //...  
    }.
```

Refactoring Example: Pull Up Constructor Body

```
public class User {  
    private String email;  
}
```

```
public class Player extends User {  
    public Player(String email) {  
        this.email = email;  
    }  
}
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    public LeagueOwner(String email)  
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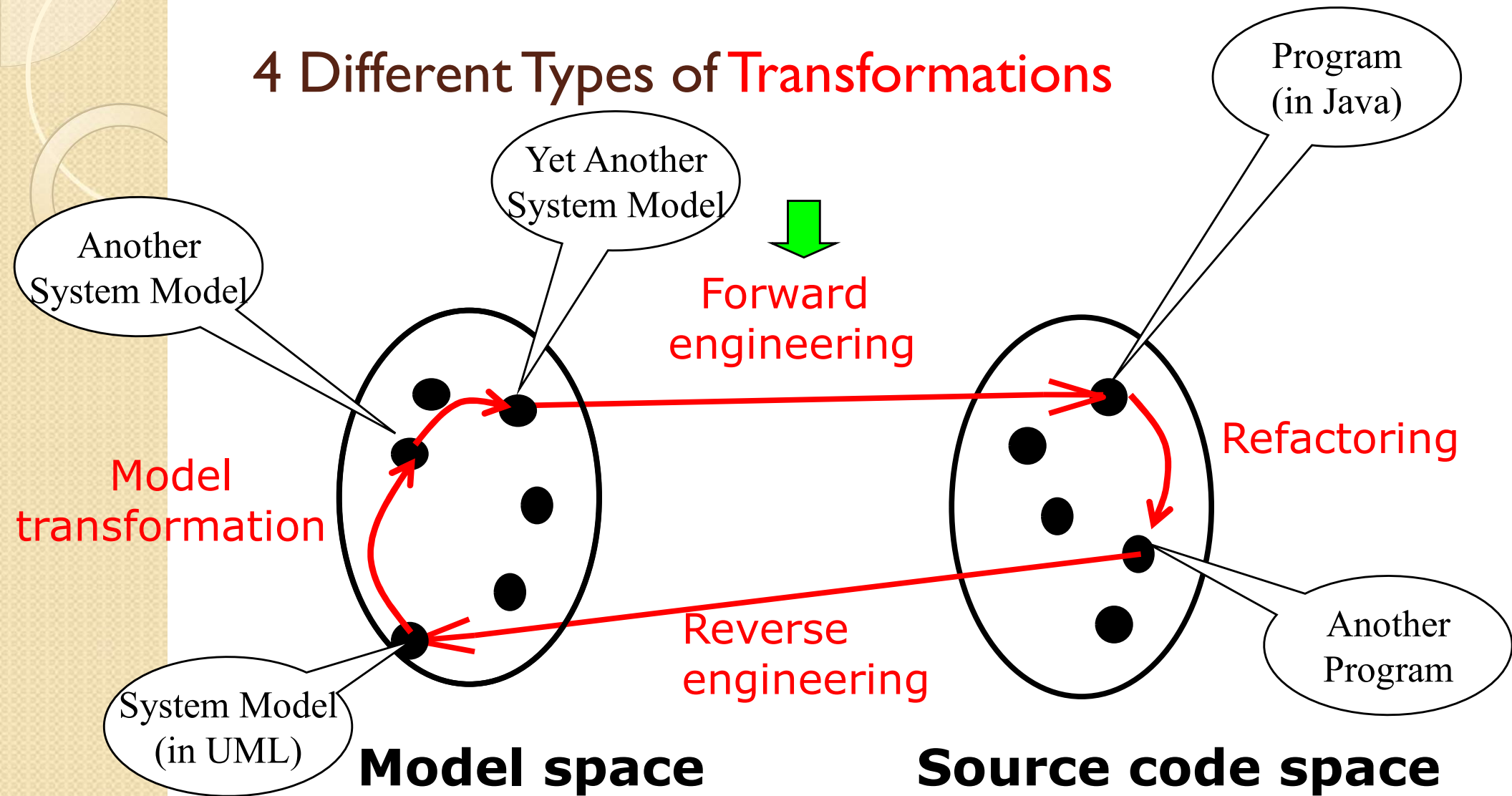
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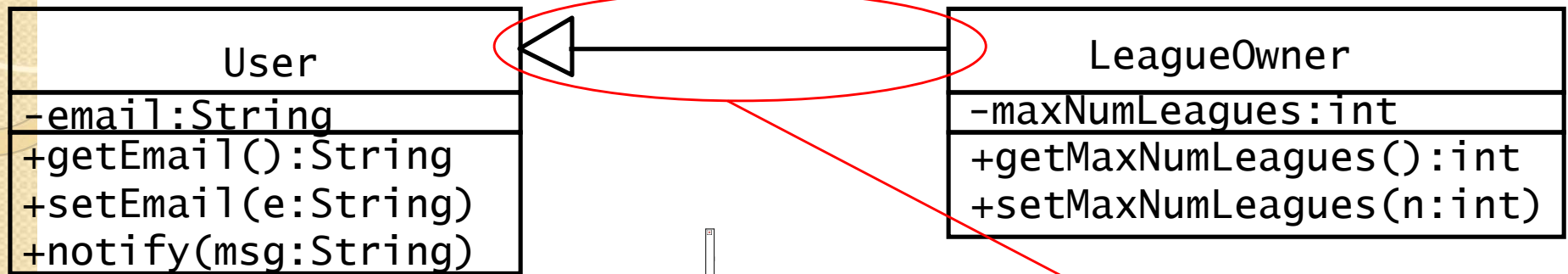
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Forward Engineering Example

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Source code after transformation:

```
public class User {
    private String email;
    public String getEmail() {
        return email;
    }
    public void setEmail(String e){
        email = e;
    }
    public void notify(String msg) {
        // ....
    }
}
```

```
public class LeagueOwner extends User {
    private int maxNumLeagues;
    public int getMaxNumLeagues() {
        return maxNumLeagues;
    }
    public void setMaxNumLeagues(int n) {
        maxNumLeagues = n;
    }
}
```

More Forward Engineering Examples

- Model Transformations

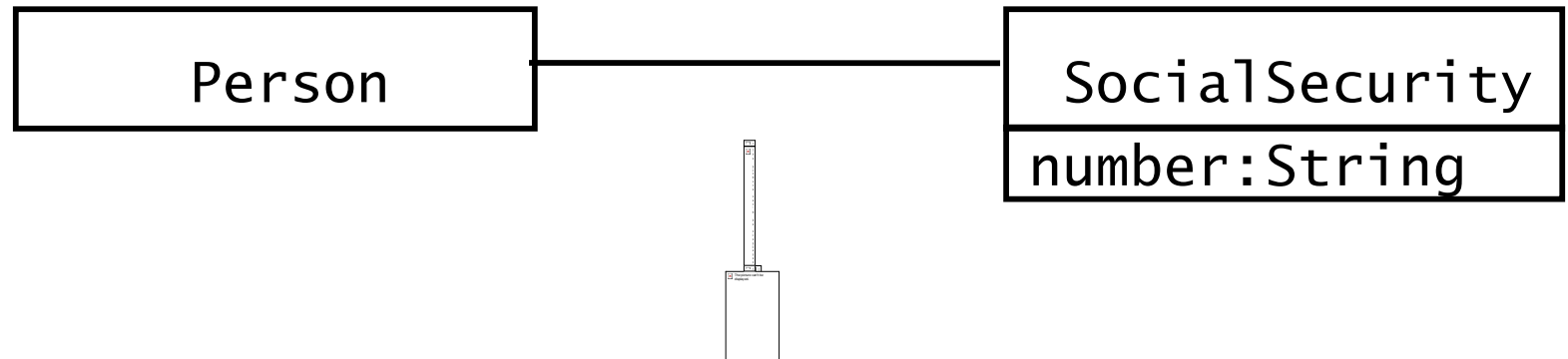
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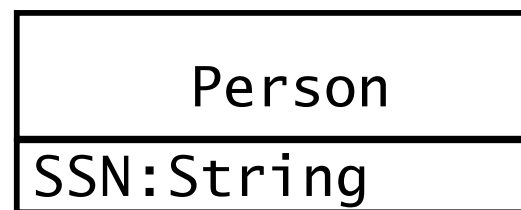
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Collapsing Objects

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Object design model after transformation:



Turning an object into an attribute of another object is usually done, if the object does not have any interesting dynamic behavior (only get and set operations).

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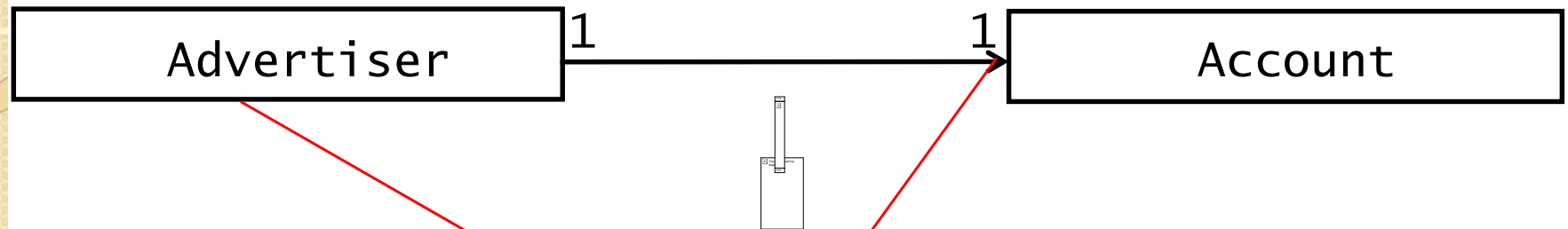


Mapping Associations

1. Unidirectional one-to-one association
2. Bidirectional one-to-one association
3. Bidirectional one-to-many association
4. Bidirectional many-to-many association
5. Bidirectional qualified association.

Unidirectional one-to-one association

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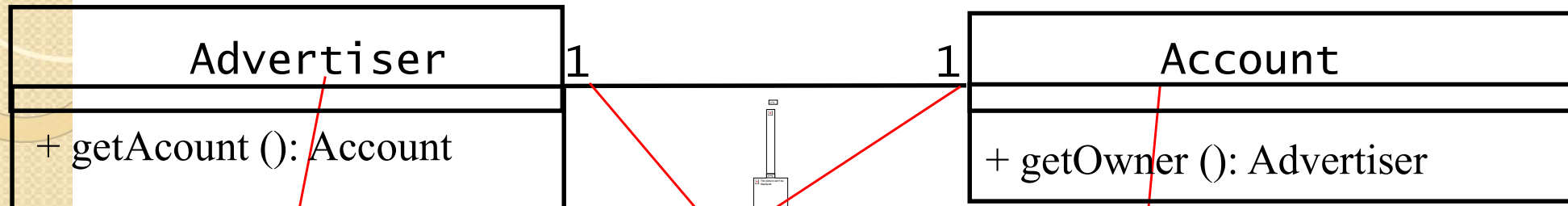
Source code after transformation:

```
public class Advertiser {
    private Account account;
    public Advertiser() {
        account = new Account();
    }
}
```

Red arrows from the UML diagram point to the corresponding code elements: one from the Advertiser class to the `public class Advertiser` line, and another from the Account class to the `private Account account` line.

Bidirectional one-to-one association

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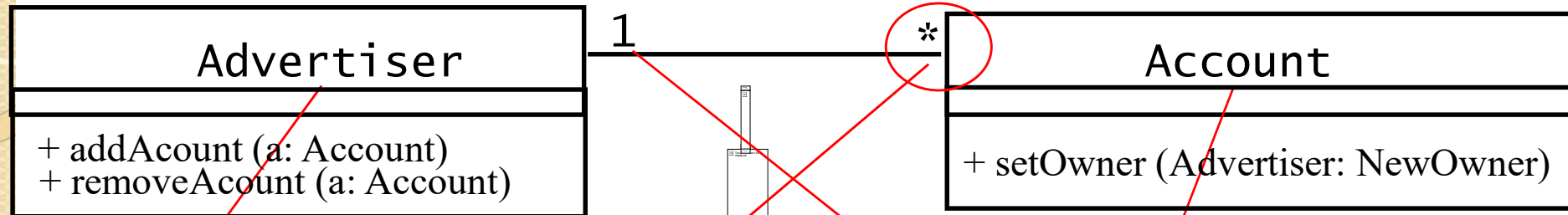
Source code after transformation:

```
public class Advertiser {
    /* account is initialized
    * in the constructor and never
    * modified. */
    private Account account;
    public Advertiser() {
        account = new
        Account(this);
    }
    public Account getAccount() {
        return account;
    }
}
```

```
public class Account {
    /* owner is initialized
    * in the constructor and
    * never modified. */
    private Advertiser owner;
    public Account(owner:Advertiser)
    {
        this.owner = owner;
    }
    public Advertiser getOwner() {
        return owner;
    }
}
```

Bidirectional one-to-many association

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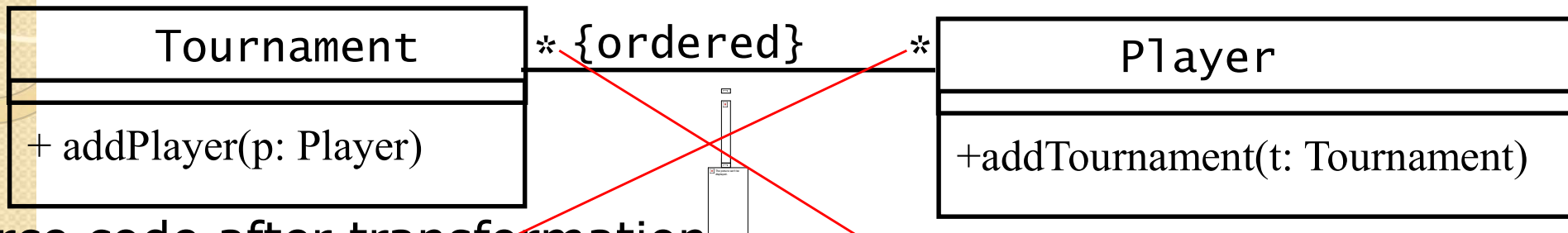
Source code after transformation:

```
public class Advertiser {
    private Set accounts;
    public Advertiser() {
        accounts = new HashSet();
    }
    public void addAccount(Account a) {
        accounts.add(a);
        a.setOwner(this);
    }
    public void removeAccount(Account a) {
        accounts.remove(a);
        a.setOwner(null);
    }
}
```

```
public class Account {
    private Advertiser owner;
    public void setOwner(Advertiser
newOwner) {
        if (owner != newOwner) {
            Advertiser old = owner;
            owner = newOwner;
            if (newOwner != null)
                newOwner.addAccount(this);
            if (oldOwner != null)
                old.removeAccount(this);
        }
    }
}
```

Bidirectional many-to-many association

Object design model before transformation



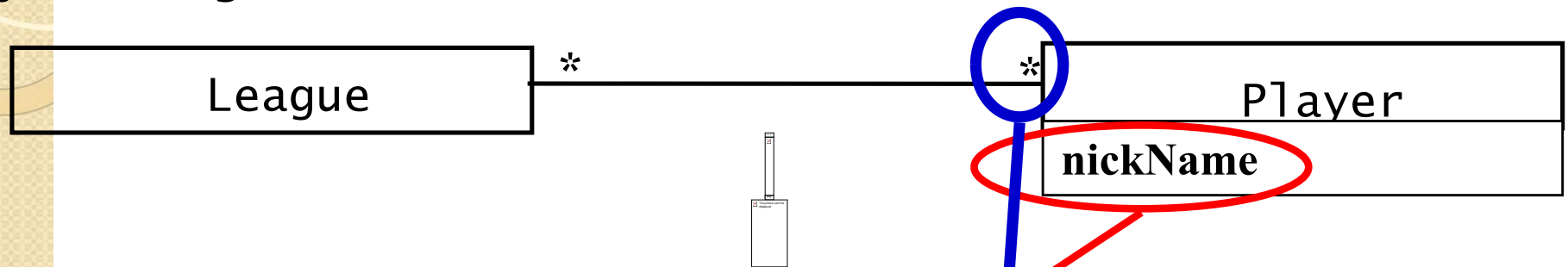
Source code after transformation

```
public class Tournament {
    private List players;
    public Tournament() {
        players = new ArrayList();
    }
    public void addPlayer(Player p) {
        if (!players.contains(p)) {
            players.add(p);
            p.addTournament(this);
        }
    }
}
```

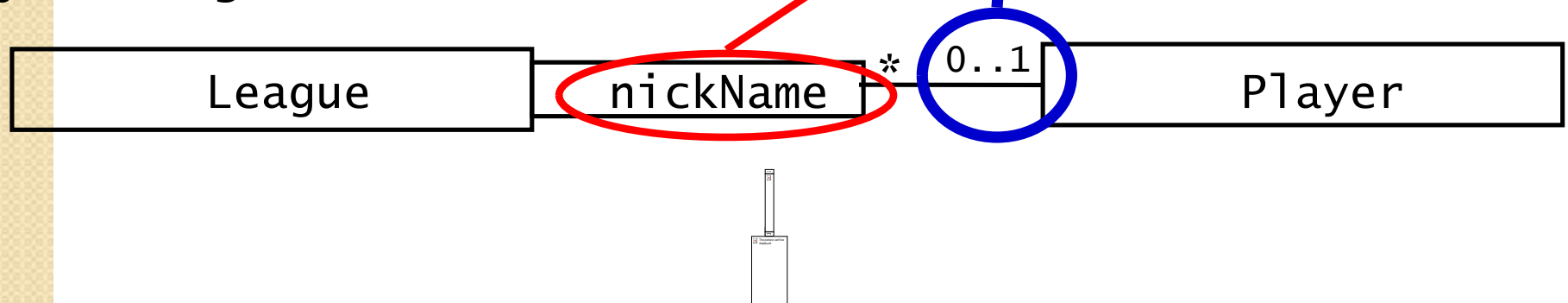
```
public class Player {
    private List tournaments;
    public Player() {
        tournaments = new ArrayList();
    }
    public void addTournament(Tournament t) {
        if (!tournaments.contains(t)) {
            tournaments.add(t);
            t.addPlayer(this);
        }
    }
}
```

Bidirectional qualified association

Object design model before model transformation



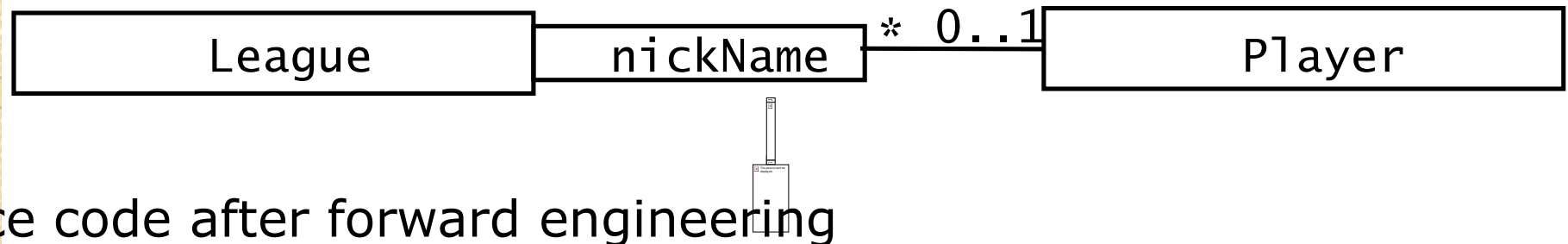
Object design model after model transformation



Source code after forward engineering (see next slide)

Bidirectional qualified association (2)

Object design model before forward engineering



Source code after forward engineering

```
public class League {
    private Map players;

    public void addPlayer
        (String nickName, Player p) {
        if
        (!players.containsKey(nickName))
        {
            players.put(nickName, p);
            p.addLeague(nickName, this);
        }
    }
}
```

```
public class Player {
    private Map leagues;

    public void addLeague
        (String nickName, League l) {
        if (!leagues.containsKey(l)) {
            leagues.put(l, nickName);
            l.addPlayer(nickName, this);
        }
    }
}
```

Summary

- Strategy for implementing associations:
 - Be as uniform as possible
 - Individual decision for each association
- Example of uniform implementation
 - 1-to-1 association:
 - Role names are treated like attributes in the classes and translate to references
 - 1-to-many association:
 - "Ordered many" : Translate to `Vector`
 - "Unordered many" : Translate to `Set`
 - Qualified association:
 - Translate to Hash table