

Entity Model

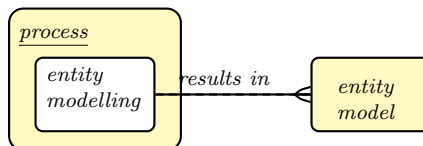
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1 JCplainFig command

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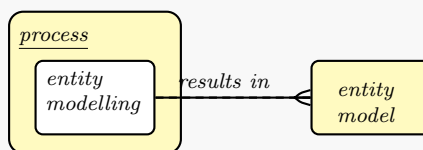
Figure 1: Picture one from folder of chapter one



2 JCboxedFig command

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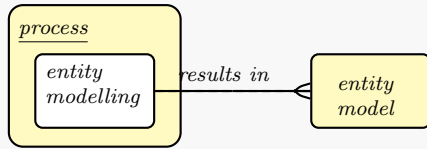
Figure 2: Picture one from folder of chapter one



3 JCbulletedFig environment

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Figure 3: Picture one from folder of chapter one with bullets



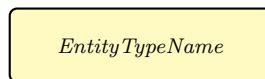
- (i) item 1
- (ii) item 2

4 Notation

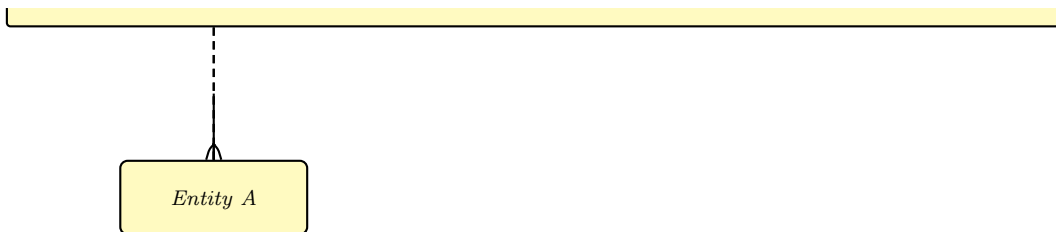
4.1 JCsimple

A macro for the simplest entity type - one with no subtypes just a name:

`\JCsimple{bottom left x pos}{bottom left y pos}{width}{height}{entitytypename}{EntityTypeName}`



4.2 entity model



4.3 JCrel

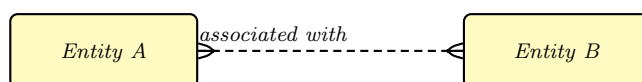
Join two entity types by a reference relationship:

`\JCrel{entitytypename1<label>}{entitytypename2<label>}{cardinality indication}{rolename of relation}`

For example

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\JCsimple{1.5}{0}{2.5}{1}{a}{Entity A}
\JCsimple{7.5}{0}{2.5}{1}{b}{Entity B}
\JCrel{aR}{bL}{AmanyBmany}{associated with}
  
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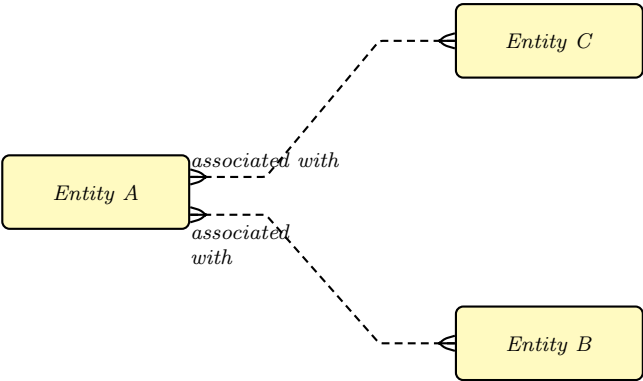
4.4 JCrel

Change the points of attachment of reference relationships

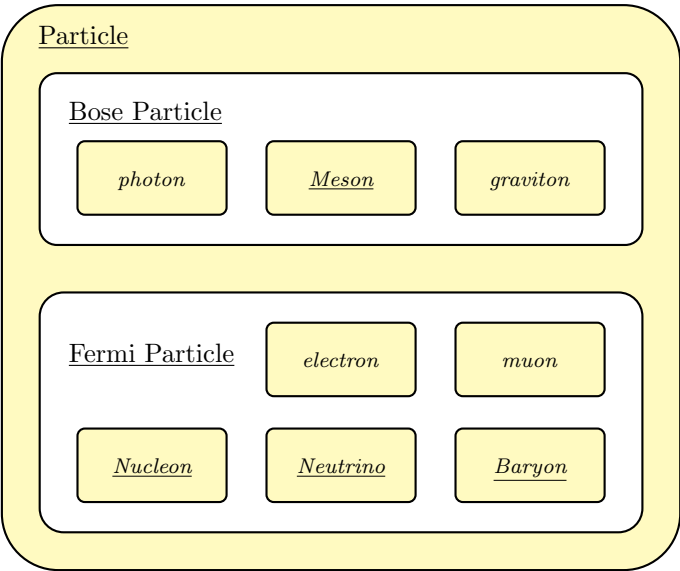
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\JCrel{entitytypename1<label>}{entitytypename2<label>}{cardinality indication}{rolename of relation}
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For example

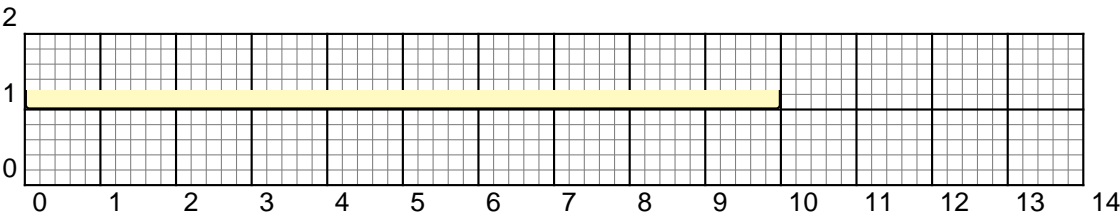
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\JCsimple{1.5}{2}{2.5}{1}{a}{Entity A}  
\JCsimple{7.5}{0}{2.5}{1}{b}{Entity B}  
\JCsimple{7.5}{4}{2.5}{1}{c}{Entity C}  
\JCrel{aRb}{bL}{AmanyBmany}{\parbox{2cm}{associated with}}  
\JCrel{aRg}{cL}{AmanyBmany}{associated with}
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4.5 Entity Type Nesting



4.6 The absolute

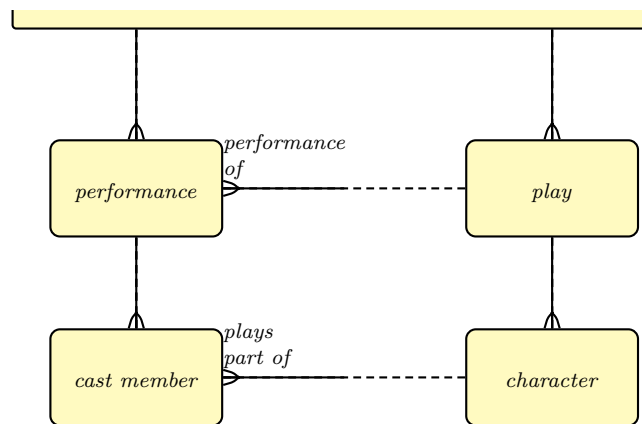


5 Scope of relationships

Most models have constraints on and between relationships and though they are significant they are not expressed in the model. Constraints on the scope of a relationship are one kind of such constraint and they are the most important for reasons that we explain. The concept of the scope of a relationship is a missing concept in entity modelling.

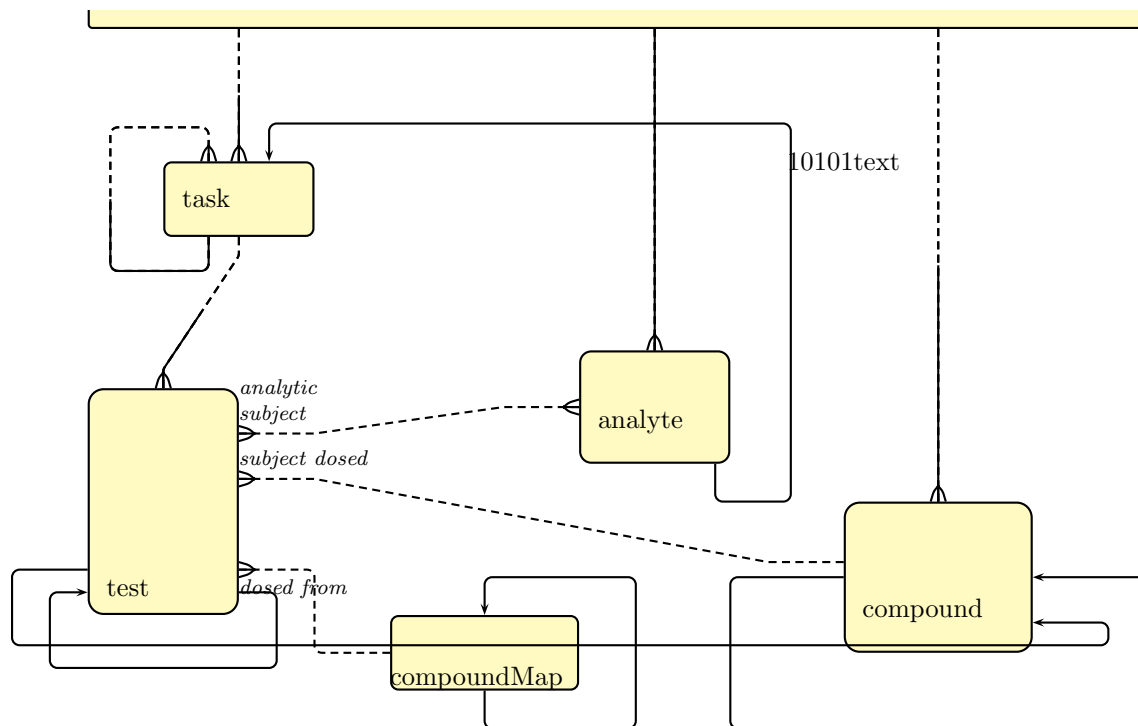
5.1 Scope Squares

Example:

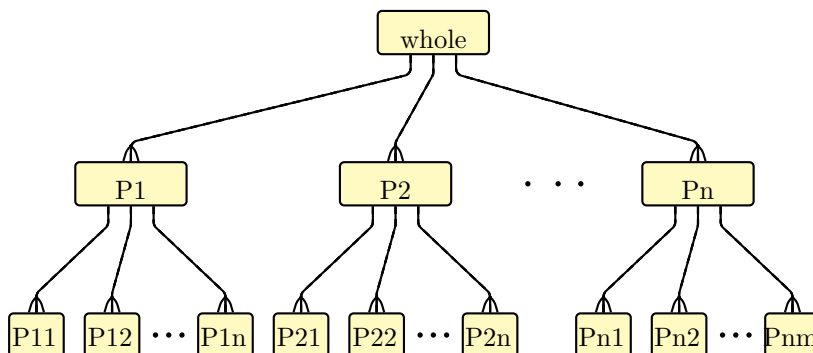


6 example

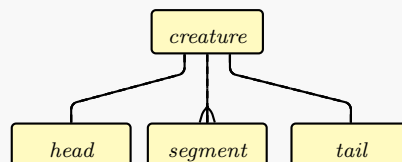
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6.1 Spare



In some story book (I ask you to believe), every creature has a head, one or more segments and a tail:



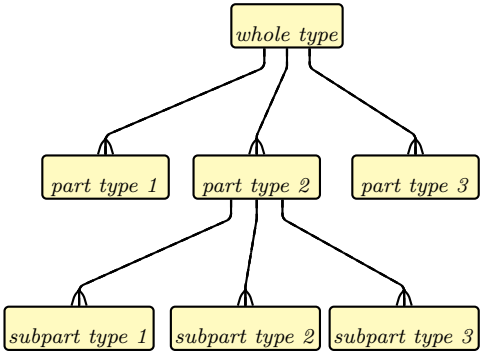
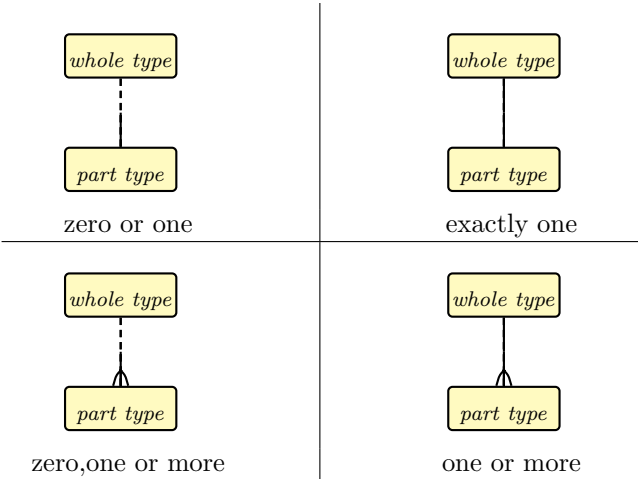
6.2 Note on Notation

The notations that are being used are those of Richard Barker and SSADM - except that that notation does not distinguish composition relationships from any others. The idea of distinguishing composition relationships and the term itself comes from PCTE. The idea of top-down modelling

of composition relationships in entity relationships diagrams is inspired by older notations - very much as captured in the phrases 'top-down' and 'bottom-up'.

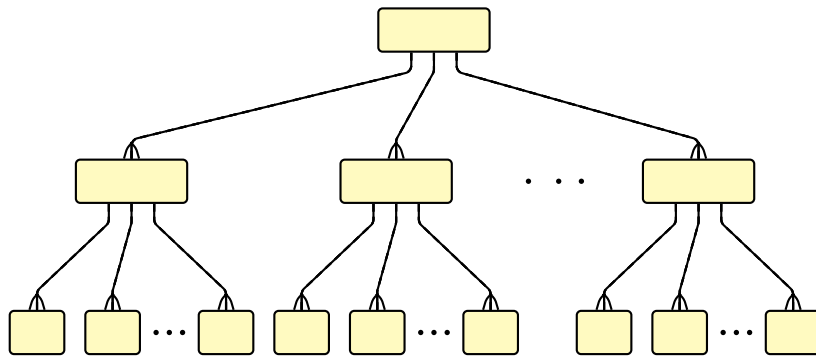
6.3 Cardinality of the Composition Relationship

If there can be no more than one of a particular type of part in any given whole then the relationship is shown without the crow's foot; if in some cases there may be no parts of a particular type then the relationship line is shown dashed. This gives four possibilities for the cardinality of the composition relationship:



6.4 Hierarchy

If there are multiple types of part each composed of multiple types of subpart we get a three level tree structure of types and relationships like this:

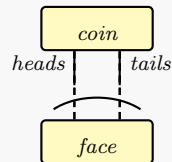


The nodes of such a tree are entity types and the branches composition relationships.

6.5 Relativisation or Localisation

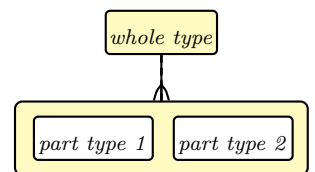
Comma categories!

6.6 Spare



- every coin has a heads which is a face
- every coin has an tails which is a face

Two or more of the part types might have a common abstraction, as for example here: (d)



or here: (e)

