

CLASSES AND INHERITANCE

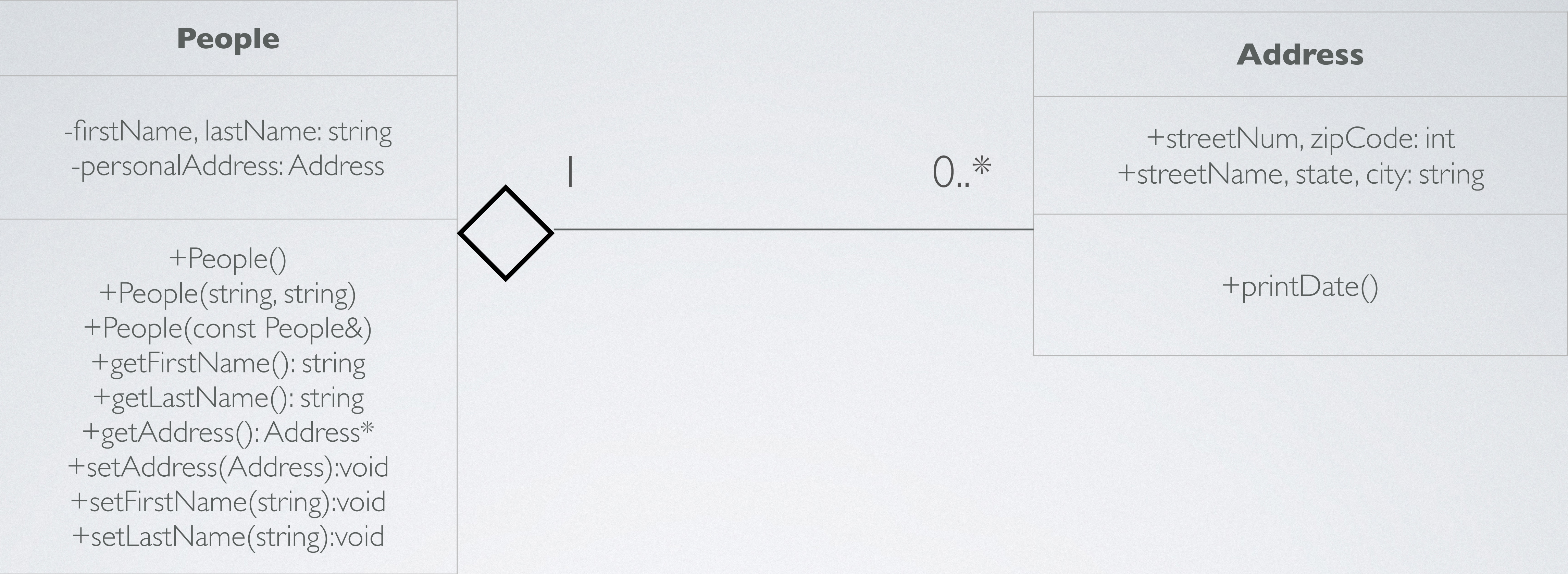
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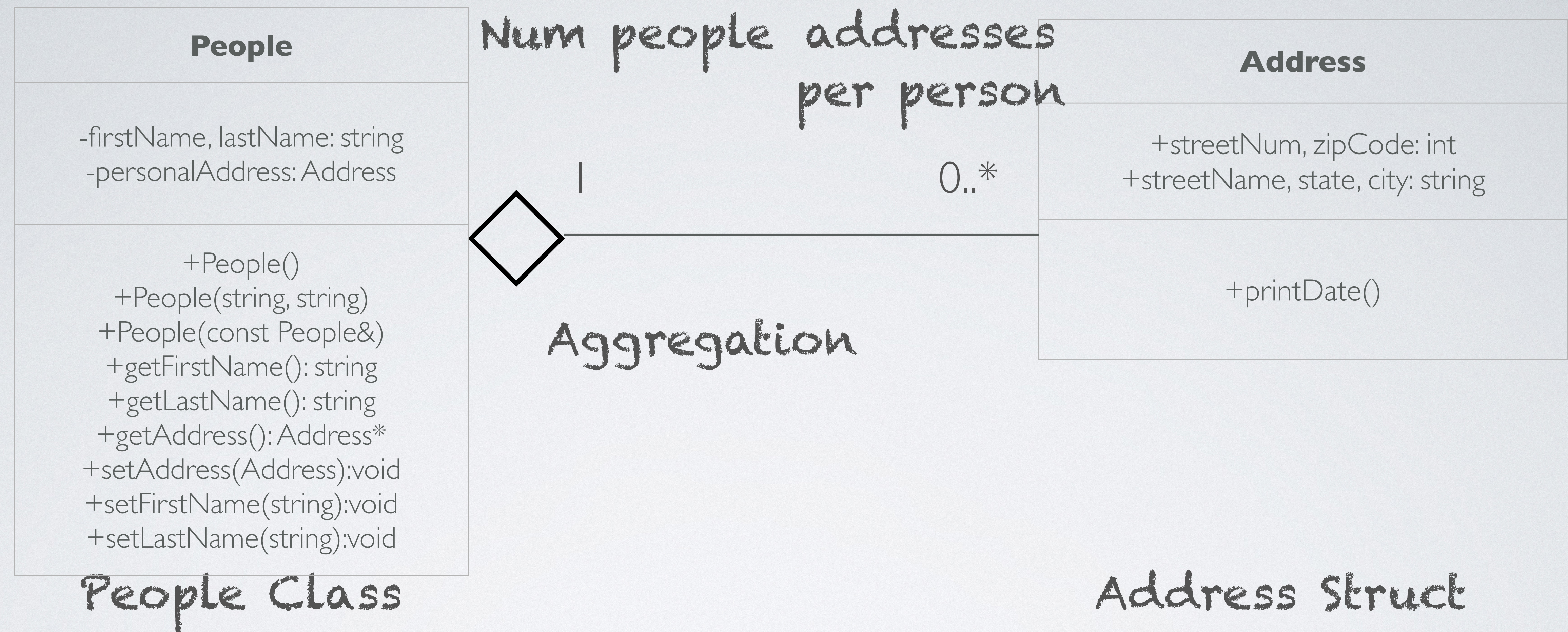
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TOPICS

- Class writing practice
- Inheritance





CLASS WRITING PRACTICE

- Write a Person class (person.cpp, person.h)
 - First Name
 - Last Name
 - Setters & Getters
 - Default, parameterized, copy constructors

CLASS WRITING PRACTICE

- Create an address struct (address.cpp)
 - Street number
 - Street
 - City
 - State
 - Zip

CLASS WRITING PRACTICE

- Write a driver file that
 - Sets first and last name to yours
 - Sets address to UNRs
 - Prints first and last name
- Write a makefile that combines the address.cpp, person.cpp, and person.h into the executable person

INHERITANCE

- Class relationship hierarchy.
 - Child inherits from parent class
 - Example: Cat class (child) Pet class (parent)
 - All pets have some number of legs, might have a tail, and have a species. -**What they have in common**
 - A cat is a pet -**IS a**
 - Cats usually have a breed associated with them (Tabby) while most other pets do not -**What is different**

INHERITANCE IS THE SECOND OOP PRINCIPLE

- Organizes classes into a hierarchy (abstraction!)
- Allows classes to inherit attributes and behavior through hierarchy
- Reuse common logic, extract unique logic for specific class
 - Less prone to error
 - **Extends** a generic, existing class with specific attributes and functionality

INHERITANCE PRACTICE

- Let's extend that person class we just wrote!
- A customer is a type of person. Therefore, a Customer class can inherit from the Person class (so it has name, date, address) and add a username and password property only accessible through customer (not through person)

ACCESS

- Child classes (customer) can only access Parent (person) class public and protected methods and properties.
- Same Class: can use public, protected, private
- Derived Class (inherited): can use public, protected
- Outside class: public only

ACCESS

- Our original person class uses **private** properties
 - For customer to inherit, they must be changed to **protected**
 - Child can access any public member
 - If child (customer) needs access to parent (person) private data, then the parent's getters and setters must be used.

INHERITANCE

```
#ifndef CUSTOMER_H  
#define CUSTOMER_H
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```
#include "person.h"
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Include the parent class
header file

```
class Customer: public Person{
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};
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child class

access
specifier

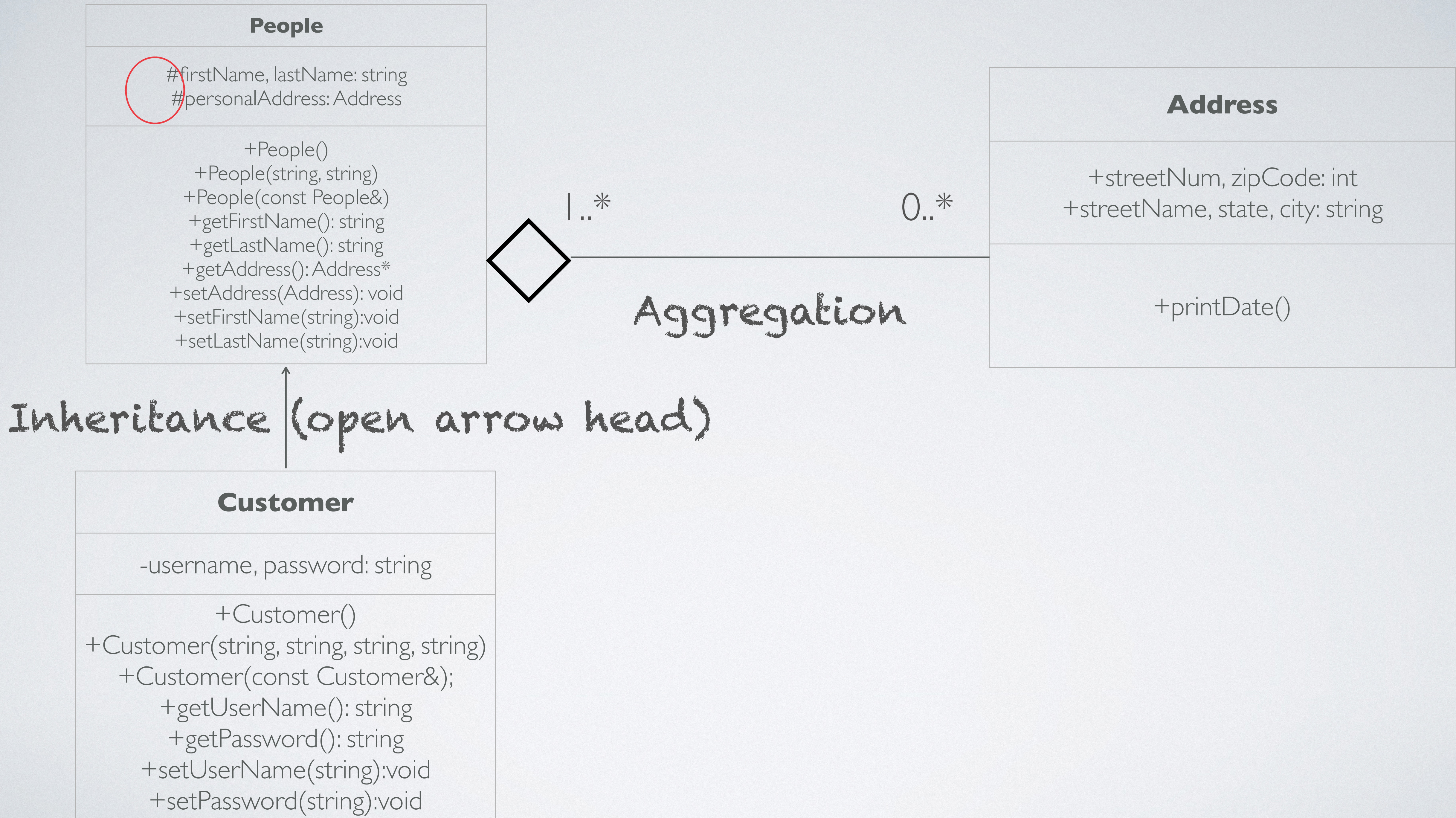
parent
class

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#endif
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a colon separates
the child from the
parent class

INHERITANCE

- Inherit parent class public/protected methods and properties
- Must use parent getters/setters BUT create separate constructors for child
- If not implemented, copy constructor and assignment operator is created by invoking base class



INHERITANCE DEMO (CUSTOMER)

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