

SOFTWARE MODELING WITH UML

SHAPING THE STATIC STRUCTURE OF A SOFTWARE SYSTEM

=> diagrammi delle classi : vedere cosa c'è dentro i casi d'uso

CLASSES

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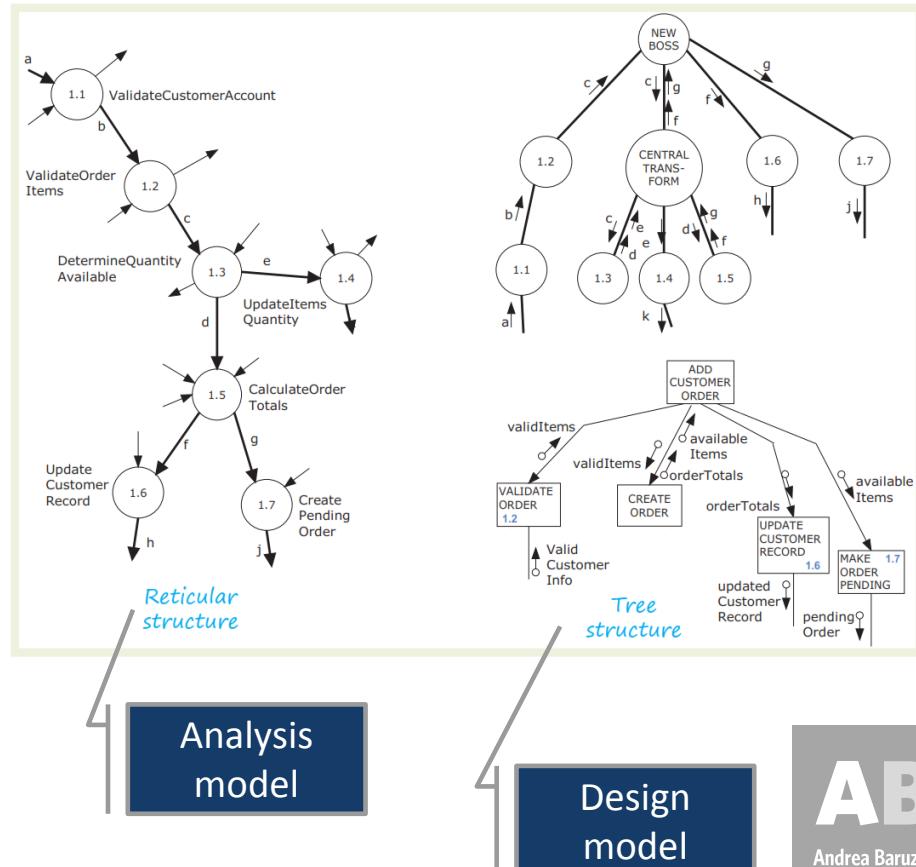
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THE NEED OF A UNIFIED APPROACH FROM ANALYSIS TO DESIGN

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descrizione della struttura del sistema.

- In the Structured Method the analysis models and their counterpart of design models are based on different, incompatible notations
- This creates the **impedance mismatch** problem (§3.1)



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il modello delle classi descrive un insieme di concetti e relazioni fra concetti mediante un grafo

: occhio alle dipendenze cicliche!

- In the Object-Oriented Method, both analysis and design models are based on the same, common structure: the **class diagram**
- Transitioning from analysis to design implies a **refinement** of models
- Design models introduce more details such as new classes, methods, and attributes, but the fundamental **reticular structure** remains stable

OBJECTS VS. CLASSES

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- An object is an **instance of a class** (§3.2)
- An object is an abstraction of a system with an **internal state**, an **identity**, and an **observable behavior**
 - ↳ attributi
 - ↳ metodi
- A class is a **template** for the definition of all the characteristics of an object such as attributes and methods
- A class defines a set of objects that share the same **common structure** and the **same behavior**

ATTRIBUTES VS. METHODS

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- An **attribute** describes an information related to the internal state of an object
- Every object holds a proper value for each attribute defined in the corresponding class
- A **method** defines the behavior of the object for a **specific event** (the corresponding message sent to the object at some time)
- The behavior of the object can be either **state-dependent** or **state independent** at the moment of the message reception (Bank account, Example S3.3)

WHAT IS A CLASS

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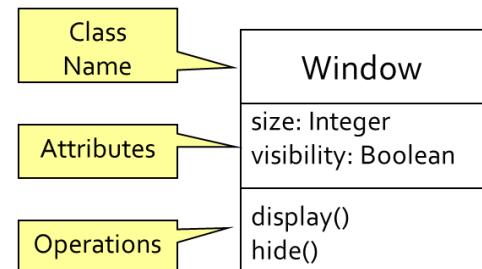
- A class diagram describes the **types of objects** in the system and the various kinds of **static relationships** that exist among them
- A central modeling technique that is based on **object-oriented principles**
- The richest notation in UML

- Classes (obviously!)
- Attributes and Operations
- Relationships
 - Associations
 - Generalization
 - Dependency
 - Realization
- Constraint Rules and Notes

THE CLASS GRAPHICAL NOTATION (§3.4)

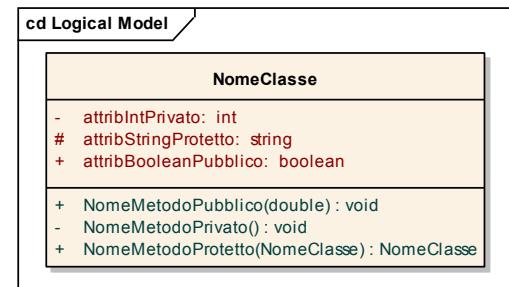
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- A class is the **description** of a set of **objects** having similar **attributes**, **operations**, **relationships** and **behavior**
- A class usually describes an **entity** of the problem/solution space



Visibility:

- + **Public** (default for methods)
- **Private** (default for attributes)
- # **Protected** (as public for derived classes, as private for all the others)

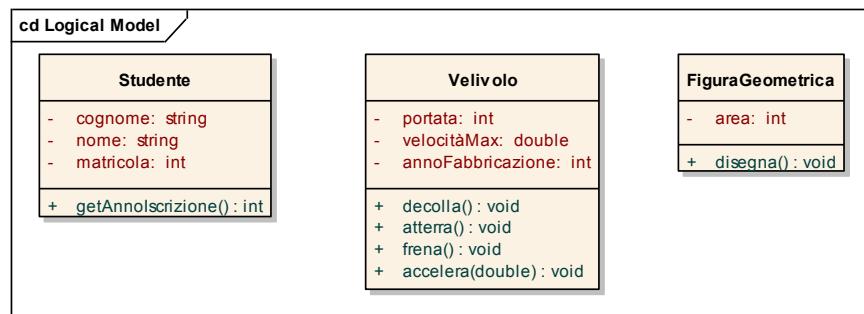


EXAMPLES OF CLASSES IN UML

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Names conventions

- **Class**: initial Upper-case for each single word (Camel-case)
- **Attributes**: initial lower-case, initial Upper-case for each single word
- **Methods**
 - (C++) initial Upper-case for each word
 - (Java) the same as for attributes



MANY PERSPECTIVES POSSIBLE IN A CLASS MODEL

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(a) Classe descritta dalla prospettiva concettuale

Flight	NOME
- cargo - clearance - destination - id - origin	ATTRIBUTI
- CalculateArrivalTime(theItinerary, destination, origin) + CreateFlightPlan()	METODI

(b) Classe descritta secondo la prospettiva di specifica

Flight
- cargo :String - clearance :Boolean - destination :String - id :Integer - origin :String
- CalculateArrivalTime(theItinerary :FlightItinerary, destination :String, origin :String) :DateTime + CreateFlightPlan() :FlightPlan

(b) Classe descritta secondo la prospettiva di implementazione

e' INCAPSULAMENTO rafforza l'INTEGRITA' dello STATO

e' INFORMATION HIDING serve per non far verificare l'effetto domino

↳ principio TEORICO su cui si basa l'incapsulamento
"masconde i dettagli implementativi di una classe/oggetto all'utente"

- Three main PROSPETTIVA perspectives (§3.4.1):

1. Conceptual (a)
2. Specification (b)
3. Implementation (c)

livello di dettaglio da scegliere
in base allo scopo che abbiamo

PRINCIPIO di EUSIONE: masconde tutto ciò che non è
necessario per capire le diagramma,
es. i tipi delle funzioni

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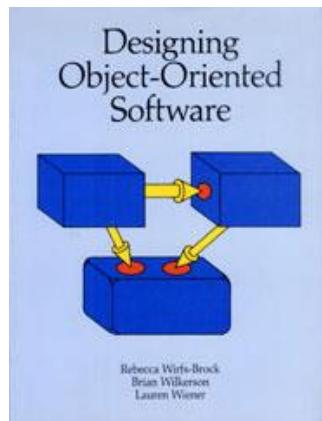
CLASSES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (§3.3.4)

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all'esame non
fa domande su
questo



- A class is a representation of a concept: it evokes a set of **responsibilities** about:
 - Information held (state)
 - Behavior (operations)
- A responsibility is an expression of what the class knows and what the class does (preserving the conceptual association with the concept)
- The name of the class (attributes, methods) is fundamental (Rebecca Wirfs-Brock)
- Avoid names that reveal implementation details



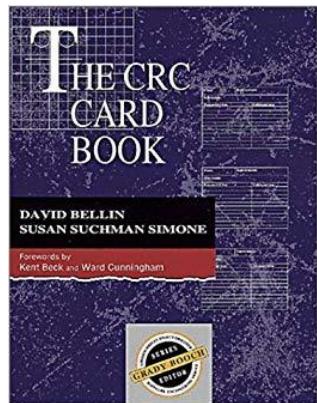
THE CRC CARD TECHNIQUE (§3.5)

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ADVANCED MATERIALS

- CRC Card = Class Responsibility Collaborator card
- Invented in 1989 by Kent Beck and Ward Cunningham
- A method for finding good class abstractions
 - Read specification
 - Work through requirements, highlighting nouns and noun phrases to give candidate classes
 - Work through candidates, deciding likely classes and rejecting unlikely (phantoms, out of scope, not this time, border-line, ...)



CRC CARD: A INDEX-CARD TEMPLATE AND EXAMPLES

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ADVANCED MATERIALS

Class Name	
Responsibilities	Collaborators



Student	
Student number	Seminar
Name	
Address	
Phone number	
Enroll in a seminar	
Drop a seminar	
Request transcripts	

Customer	
Places orders	Order
Knows name	
Knows address	
Knows customer number	
Knows order history	

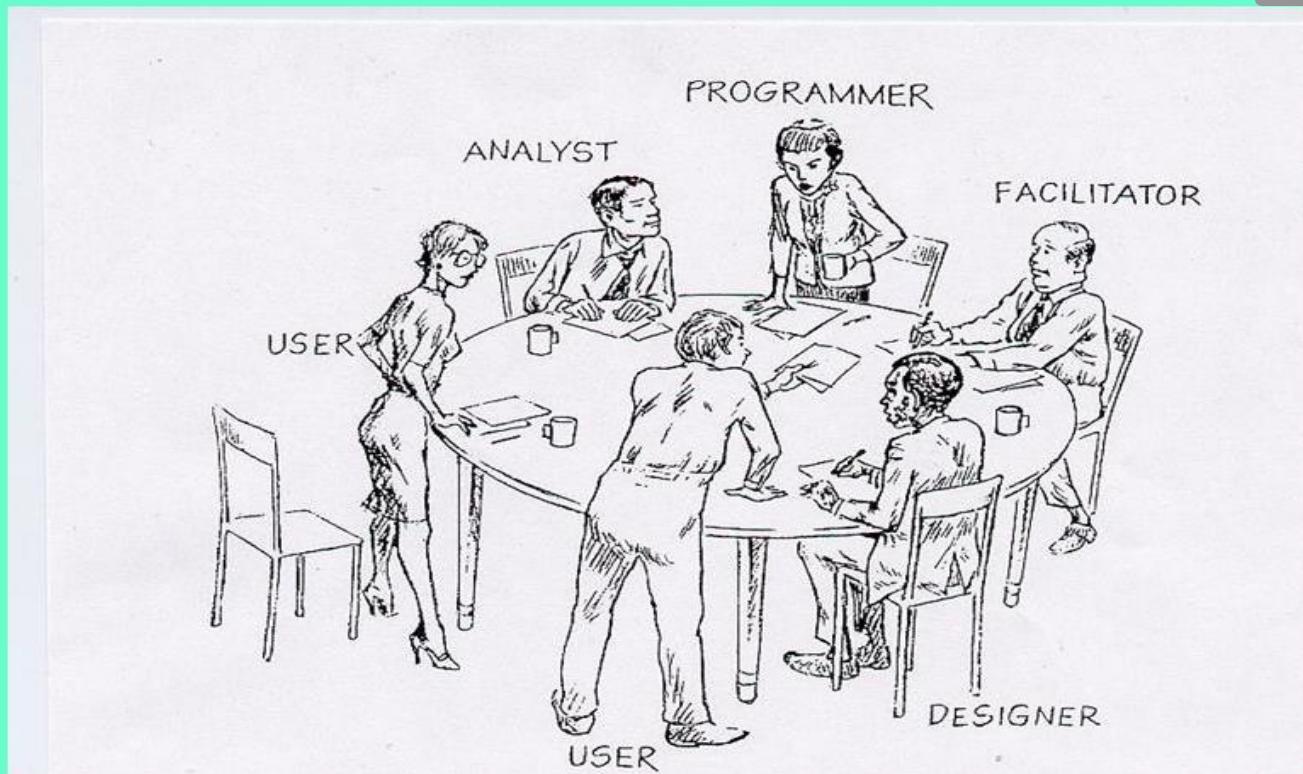
Order	
Knows placement date	Order Items
Knows delivery date	
Knows total	
Knows appl.able taxes	
Knows order number	
Knows order items	

THE CRC CARD TECHNIQUE IS A COLLABORATIVE METHOD

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The CRC Card Team



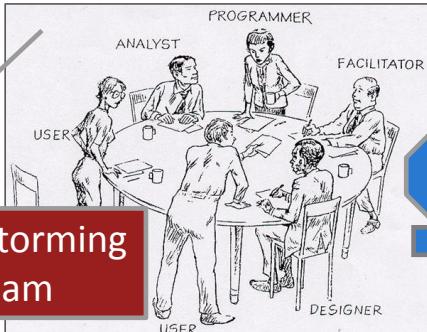
Source: The CRC Card Book by Bellin et.al (1997)

THE CORE CLASS SELECTION PROCESS

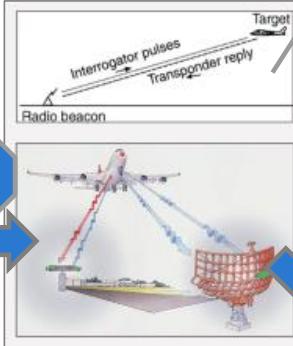
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Brainstorming team



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Problem analysis

Candidate classes generation

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Flight (volo)	FlightPlan (piano di volo)
Radar (radar)	MainAntenna (antenna principale)
Alarm (allarme)	RadarController (controllore radar)
Airspace (spazio aereo)	Transponder (transponder)
3DRadar (radar 3D)	Digitalizer (convertitore digitale)
RadarData (dati radar)	Surveillance (sovraffigliazione)
RadarMode (modalità radar)	LookDown (modalità "Look-down")
RadarLink (collegamento)	ATCGroundStation (stazione di controllo)
AircraftRoute (rotta aerea)	ATCRadarBeaconSystem (sistema radar Beacon)
CollisionAvoidanceSystem (sist. anti-collisione)	GroundClutter (disturbi d'identificazione)
IFFMode (codice d'identificazione)	PrimarySurveillanceRadar (radar primario)
RadarDataProcessor (processore dati radar)	SecondSurveillanceRadar (radar secondario)
ControlTower (torre di controllo)	TransponderCode (codice d'identificazione)
ATCGroundStation (stazione di controllo)	CollisionAvoidanceSystem (sist. anti-collisione)
Target (obiettivo)	IFFSystem (sist. d'identificazione volo amico)
	MicrowaveLink (trasmissione radio a microonde)
	CoaxialLink (trasmissione coassiale)
	RadarDataProcessor (processore dati radar)
	AltitudeEncoder (dispositivo codifica altitudine)
	AirTrafficControlCenter (centro di controllo aereo)
	ControlTower (torre di controllo)

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Classi Essenziali

Radar
Alarm
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RadarLink
AircraftRoute
ATCRadarBeaconSystem
CollisionAvoidanceSystem
IFFMode
RadarDataProcessor
ControlTower
ATCGroundStation
Target

Classi Incerte

MainAntenna
OmniAntenna
Flight
Digitalizer
ModemLink
FlightRoute
FlightPlan
Surveillance
PrimarySurveillanceRadar
SecondSurveillanceRadar
MicrowaveLink
CoaxialLink

Classi Irrelevanti

Aircraft
Runway
Trajectory
Alarms
Telemetry
AirborneRadar
Payload
RadarController
Transporter
LookDown
AirTrafficControlCenter
GroundClutter
TransponderCode
AltitudeEncoder
Airport

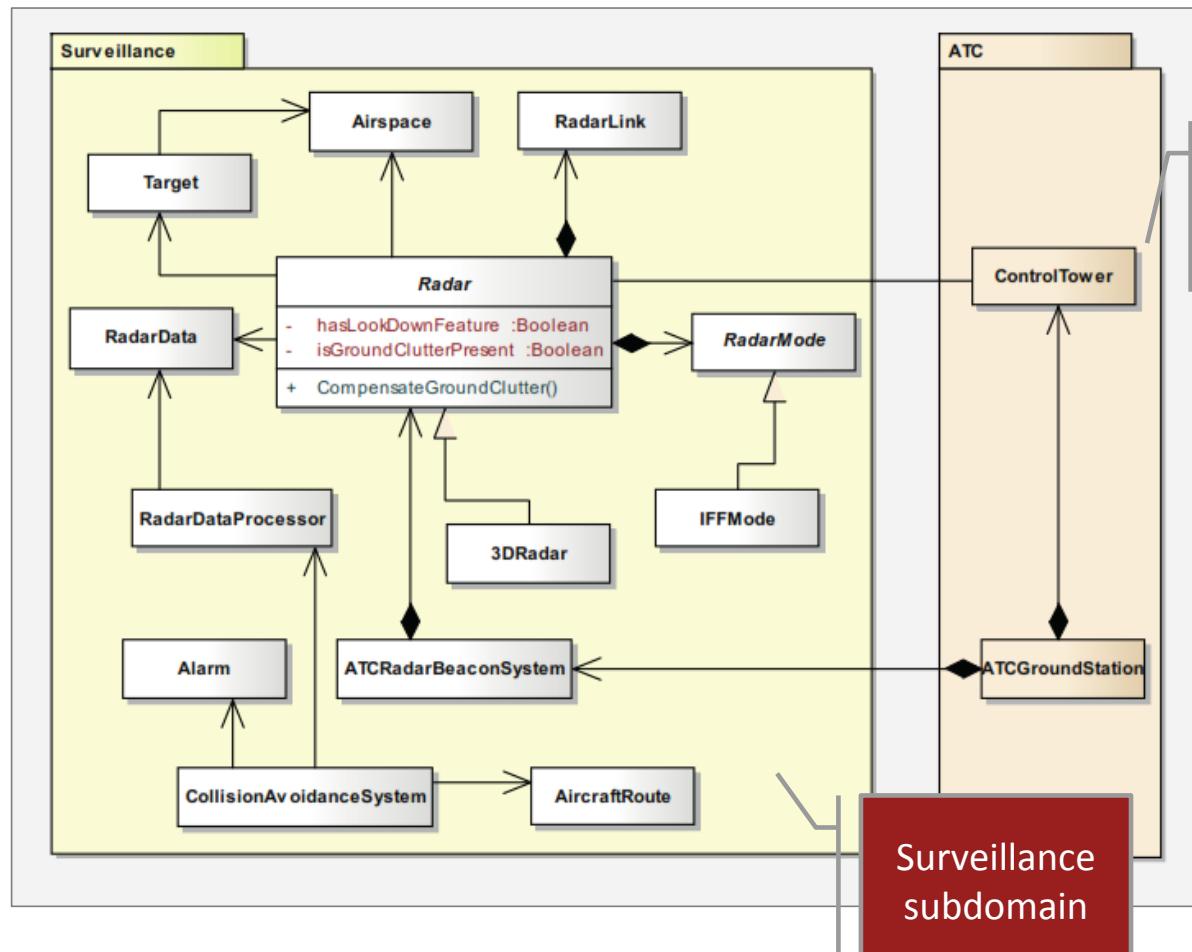
Core classes selection

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THE SYNTHESIS OF A CONCEPTUAL DOMAIN MODEL

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RELATIONS: ASSOCIATION (§3.3.3, §3.4.4)

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COME SONO FATTE LE **RELAZIONI**?

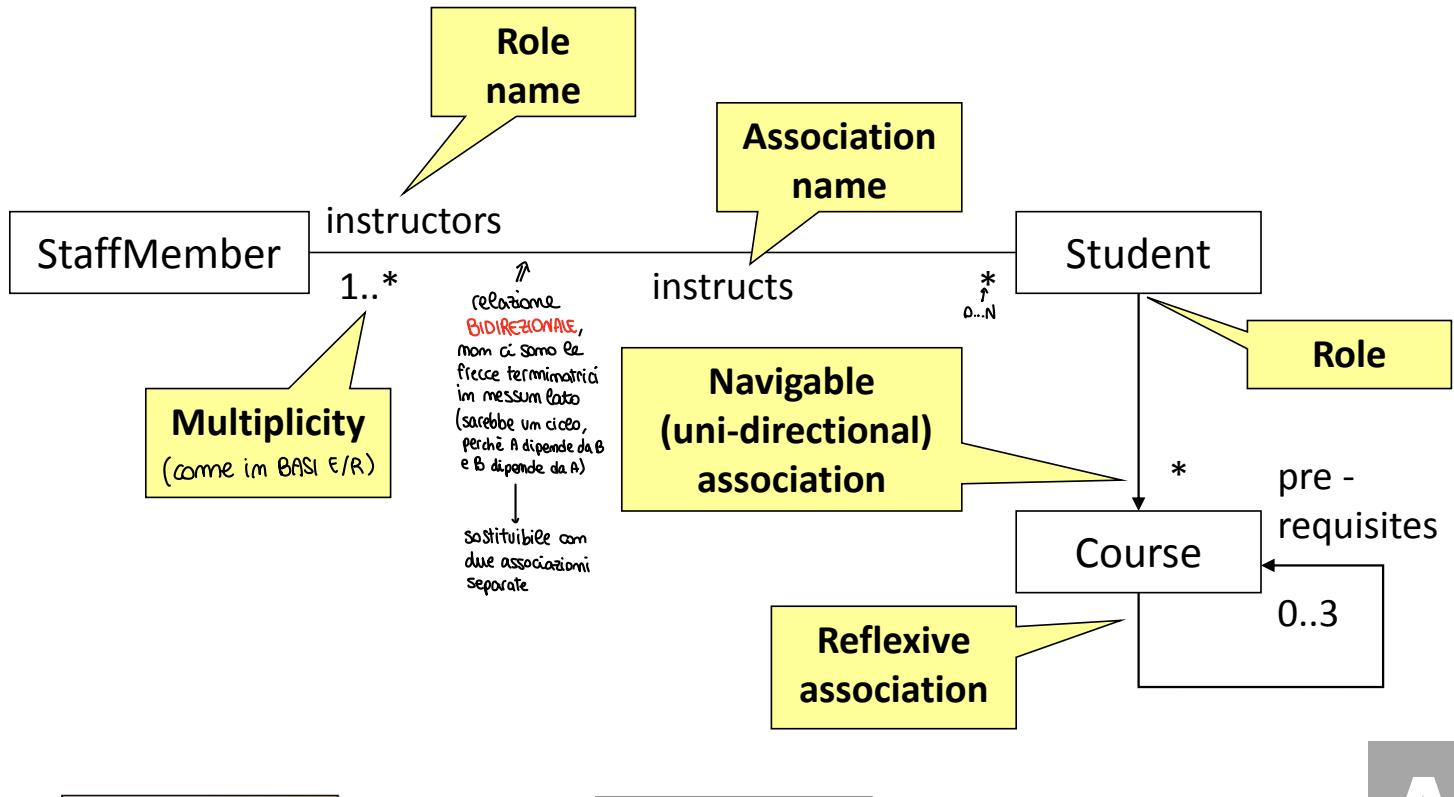
↳ come parlano tra di loro i moduli sw? determinato dalle relazioni

- A “semantic” relationship between two or more classes that specifies **connections among their instances**
↳ es. ASSOCIAZIONE, io conosco i valori interni dell’oggetto guardando gli attributi.
- A **structural relationship**, specifying that objects of one class are connected to objects of a second (possibly the same) **class**
- Mono- or bi-directional relation
 - **Source** (origin) and **target** (destination) classes
 - **End-points** can be adorned with labels and numbers
 - Example: “An Employee works in a department of a Company”



RELATIONS: ASSOCIATION (CONT'D)

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- An association between two classes specifies that the objects of one end-point “know” the objects at the other end-point...
- ... and are capable to send them messages!
- **Association name:** (optional) Label placed in the middle of the relation
 - Represents a verb providing the implicit action of the relation
- **Role name:** (optional) Label placed at end-points
 - Specifies the role of the end-point in the whole association context
 - Usually it is a name (an attribute if we take an implementation view)
 - Mandatory only for reflexive relations

RELATIONS: ASSOCIATION (CONT'D)

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■ Multiplicity

- The number of instances of the class, next to which the multiplicity expression appears, that are referenced by a single instance of the class that is at the other end of the association path
- Indicates whether or not an association is **mandatory**
- Provides a *lower* and *upper bounds* on the number of instances

Exactly one	1
Zero or more (unlimited)	* (0..*)
One or more	1..*
Zero or one (optional association)	0..1
Specified range	2..4
Multiple, disjoint ranges	2, 4..6, 8

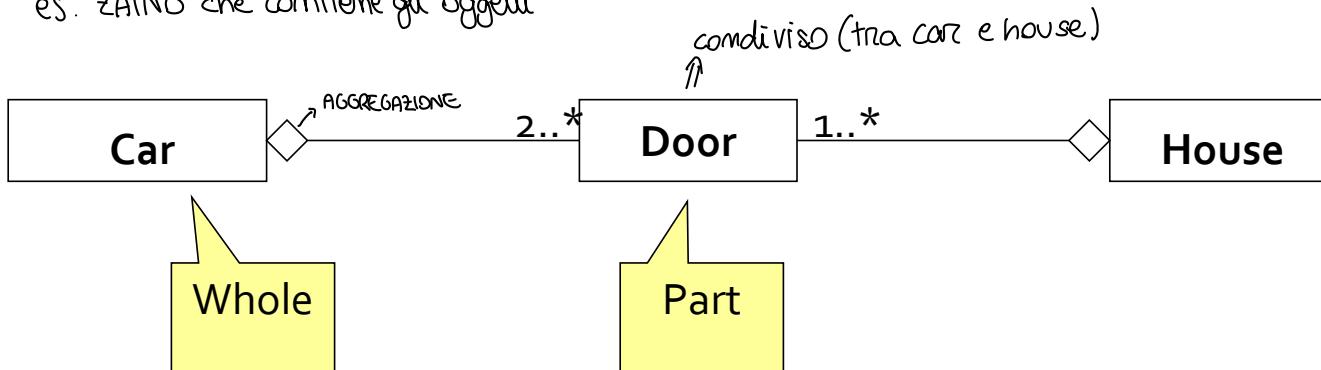
RELATIONS: AGGREGATION (§3.4.4)

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AGGREGAZIONE

- A special form of association that models a **whole-part** relationship between an **aggregate** (the whole) and its **parts**.
 - Models a “is a part/part of” and “holds/contains” relationships
 - Examples: car-door; house-door; hangar-airplane

es. ZAINO che contiene gli oggetti



RELATIONS: AGGREGATION

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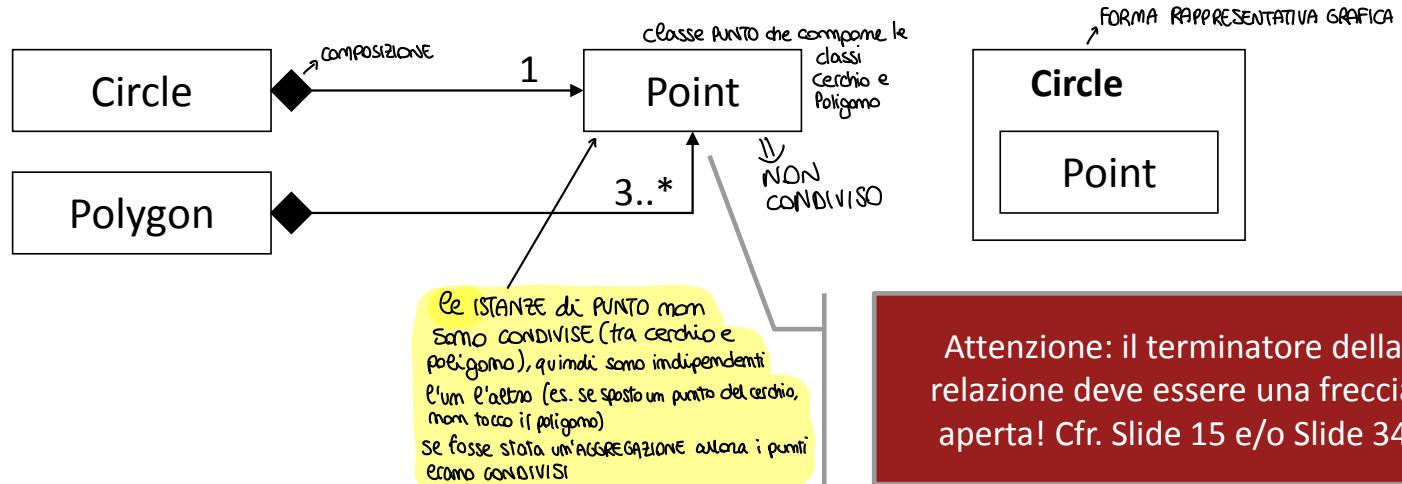
- Not always simple to recognize (in that cases use association)
- Aggregation tests:
 - Is the phrase “part of” used to describe the relationship?
 - *A door is “part of” a car*
 - Are some operations on the whole automatically applied to its parts?
 - *Move the car, move the door*
 - Are some attribute values propagated from the whole to all or some of its parts?
 - *The car is blue, therefore the door is blue*
 - Is there an intrinsic asymmetry to the relationship where one class is subordinate to the other?
 - *A door is part of a car; A car is not part of a door*

RELATIONS: COMPOSITION (§3.4.4)

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COMPOSIZIONE

- A strong form of containment (stronger than aggregation)
 - The **whole is the sole owner** of its part
 - *The part object may belong to only one whole*
 - Multiplicity on the whole side must be zero or one
 - The life time of the part is dependent upon the whole
 - *The composite must manage the creation and destruction of its parts*



RELATIONS: AGGREGATION VS. COMPOSITION

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- Quite often, “part of” (“is composed of/by”) is best suited for composition, whereas aggregations are best described by “contains”, “holds”, “has a”
- Not always simple to discriminate → difficile molto spesso distinguere - composizione - aggregazione
- A car “is composed” of doors or it “contains” doors?

Don't spend a lot of time struggling with these details...

- Aggregation and composition describe forms of containment: recognize it and distinguish it from other types of relations!

RELATIONS: GENERALIZATION (§3.3)

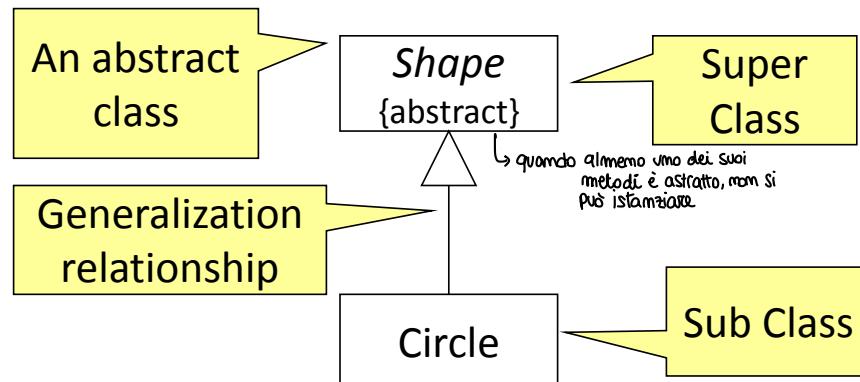
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GENERALIZZAZIONE (EREDITARIETÀ) equivalentemente del costrutto EXTEND → un elemento è specializzazione di un altro componente generale. Potrebbe essere sostituito

- Indicates that objects of the **specialized class (subclass)** are substitutable for objects of the **generalized class (super-class)**
 - “is kind of” relationship

figlio eredita dal padre → un figlio può avere solo 1 padre

{abstract} is a tagged value that indicates that the class is abstract. The name of an abstract class should be italicized



RELATIONS: GENERALIZATION (CONT'D)

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- A **sub-class** inherits from its super-class
 - Attributes
 - Operations
 - Relationships
- A **sub-class** may
 - Add attributes and operations
 - Add relationships
 - Refine (override) inherited operations
- A generalization relationship may not be used to model interface implementation

RELATIONS: REALIZATION (§3.4.2)

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REALIZZAZIONE (IMPLEMENTAZIONE) → in una relaz. di REALIZZAZIONE, un'entità indica una responsabilità che non è IMPLEMENTATA da se stessa e l'altra entità che la implementa.

Oltre al costrutto "EXTENDS", c'è anche il costrutto "IMPLEMENTES" → interfaccia (classe base che non ha stato ed ha tutti i metodi astratti.)

- A realization relationship indicates that **one class implements a behavior specified by some interface**
- An **interface can be realized by many classes**
- A **class may realize many interfaces**
 - Interface refers the concept of "set of visible behaviors"; not confuse this concept with the interface construct (Java)

Uma classe può implementare più interfacce
un figlio può estenderne solo un padre

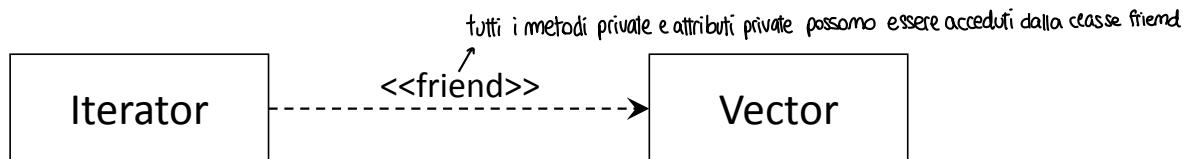


RELATIONS: DEPENDENCY

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DIPENDENZA

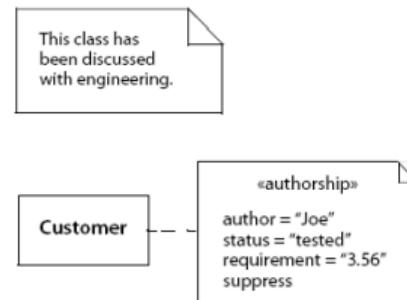
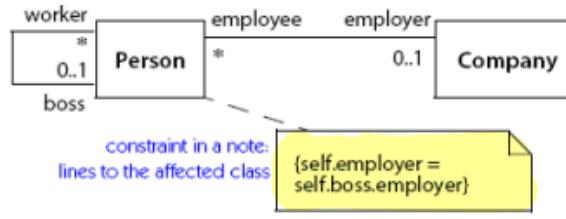
- A dependency indicates a relation between two classes although there is **no explicit association** between them
- A **stereotype** may be used to denote the type of the dependency
- It is the **weakest form of coupling**
 - Arguments or return type of a method;
 - arguments of a constructor;
 - new instantiation inside a method body



CONSTRAINTS RULES AND NOTES (§3.4.5)

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- **Constraints** and notes annotate among other things associations, attributes, operations and classes.
 - Constraints are **semantic restrictions** noted as Boolean expressions



CONSTRAINTS ARE USED FOR...

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i VINCOLI sono usati per :

- Document **assumptions** (concerning analysis, design or implementation aspects)
- Describe **invariants**
- Design by contract :
 - **Invariant** : is always true for an object
 - **Pre-condition** : is true when method is called
 - **Post-condition** : is true after method is called

STEREOTYPES

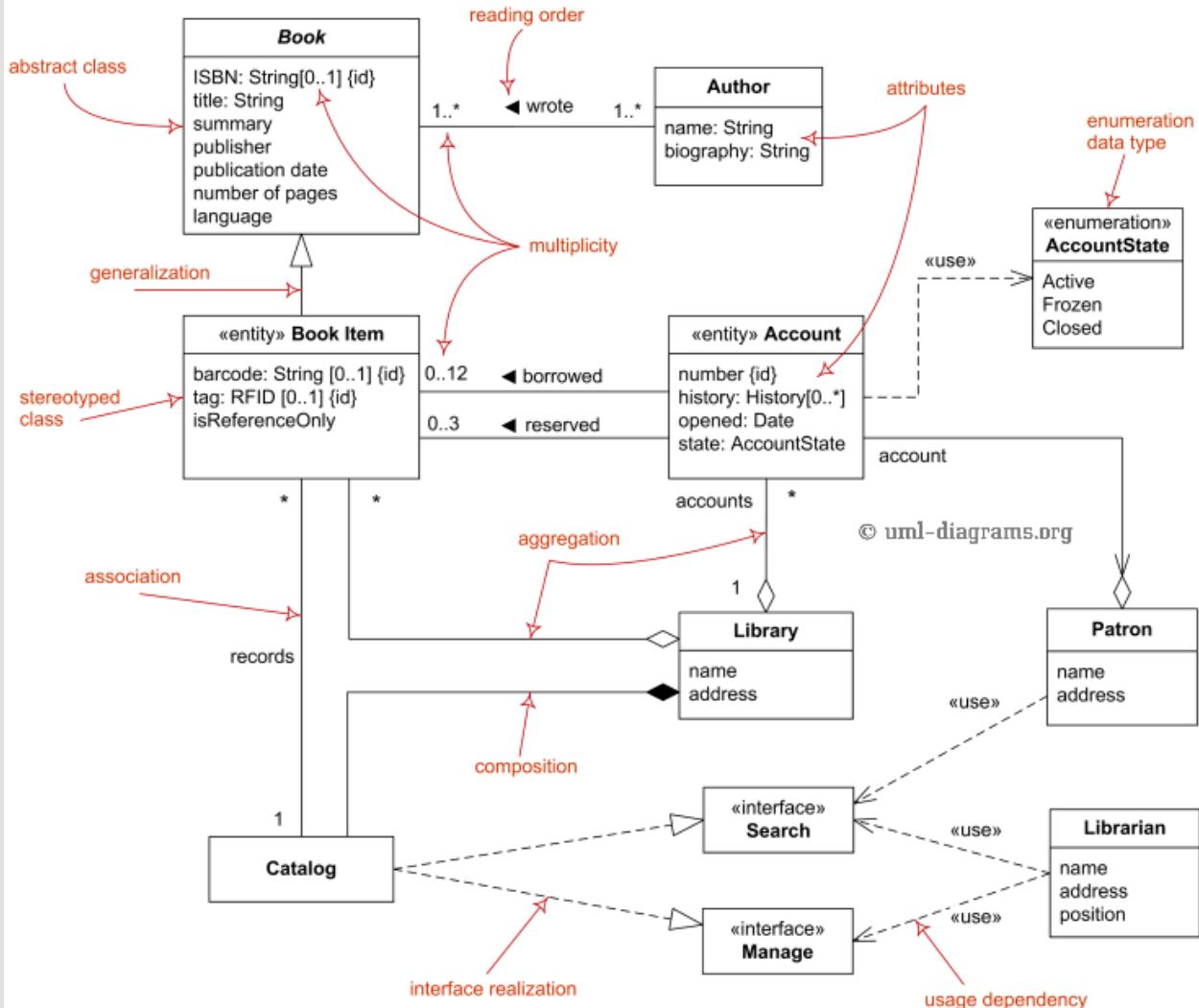
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STEREOTYPES

- The simplest extension mechanism in UML
- Used to provide a specialized (or custom) semantics to an existing symbol present in the notation (and to a new symbol also)
 - Extend the UML using the << ... >> notation
 - e.g. Classes can be
 - <<Interface objects>>
 - <<Control objects>>
 - <<Entity objects>>
 - Patterns
 - e.g. <<singleton>>

A REVIEW OF THE CLASS NOTATION

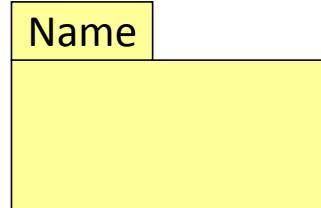
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PACKAGES (§3.4.3)

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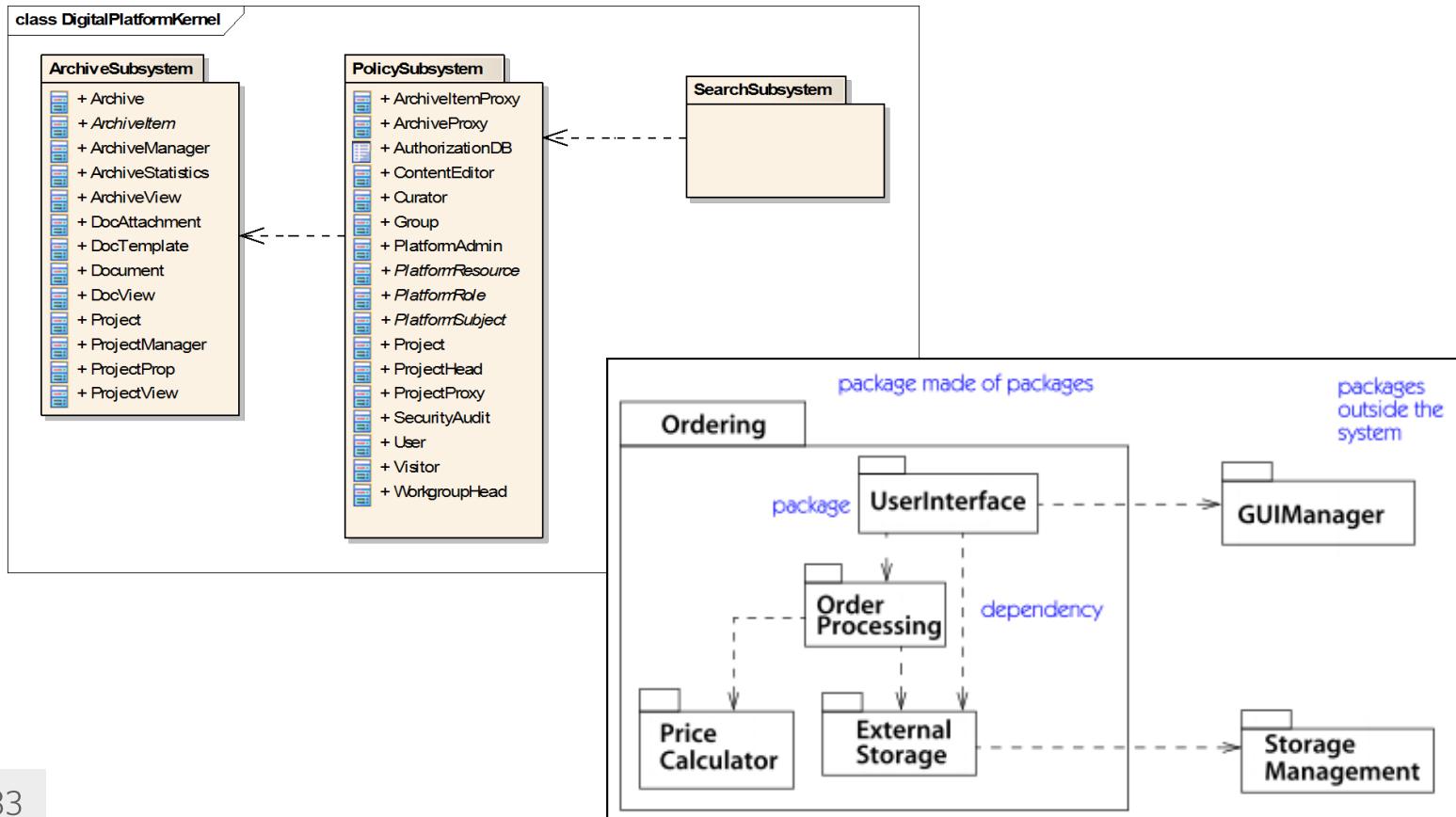
- A package is a
general purpose grouping mechanism



- Commonly used for specifying the logical architecture of the system
- A package does not necessarily translate into a physical sub-system

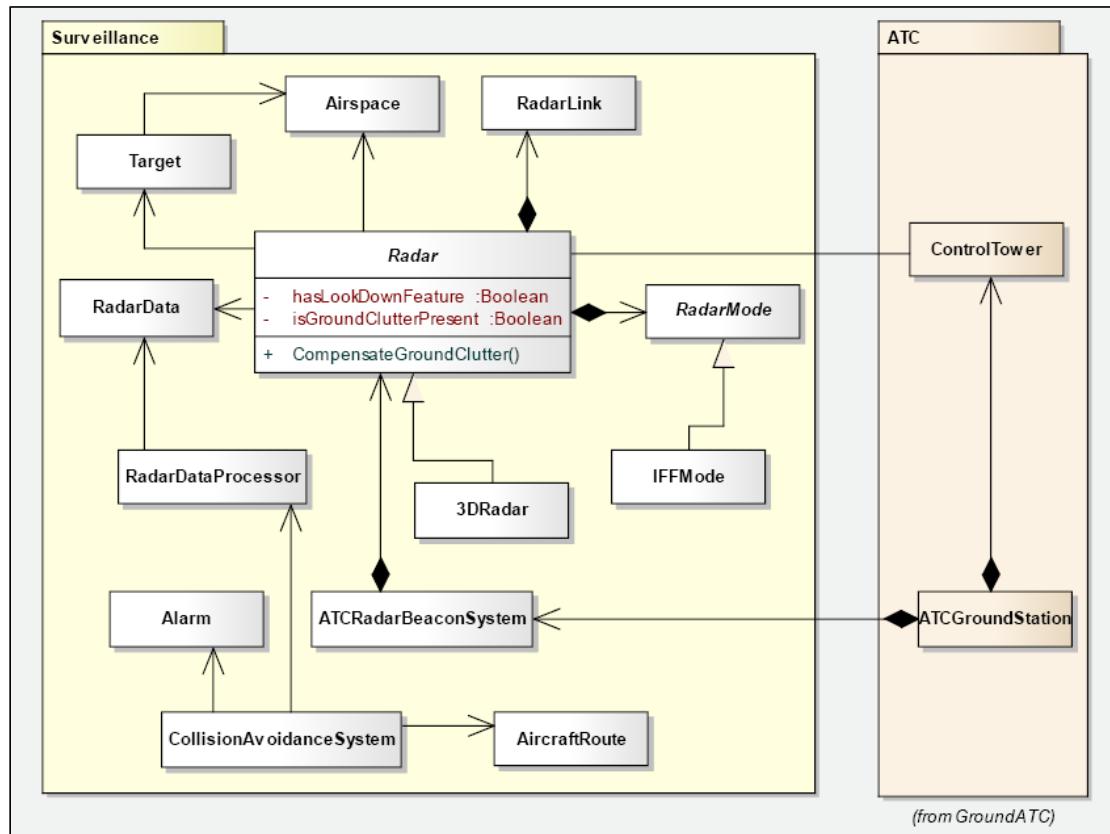
PACKAGE DIAGRAMS

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INTERNAL STRUCTURE OF A PACKAGE

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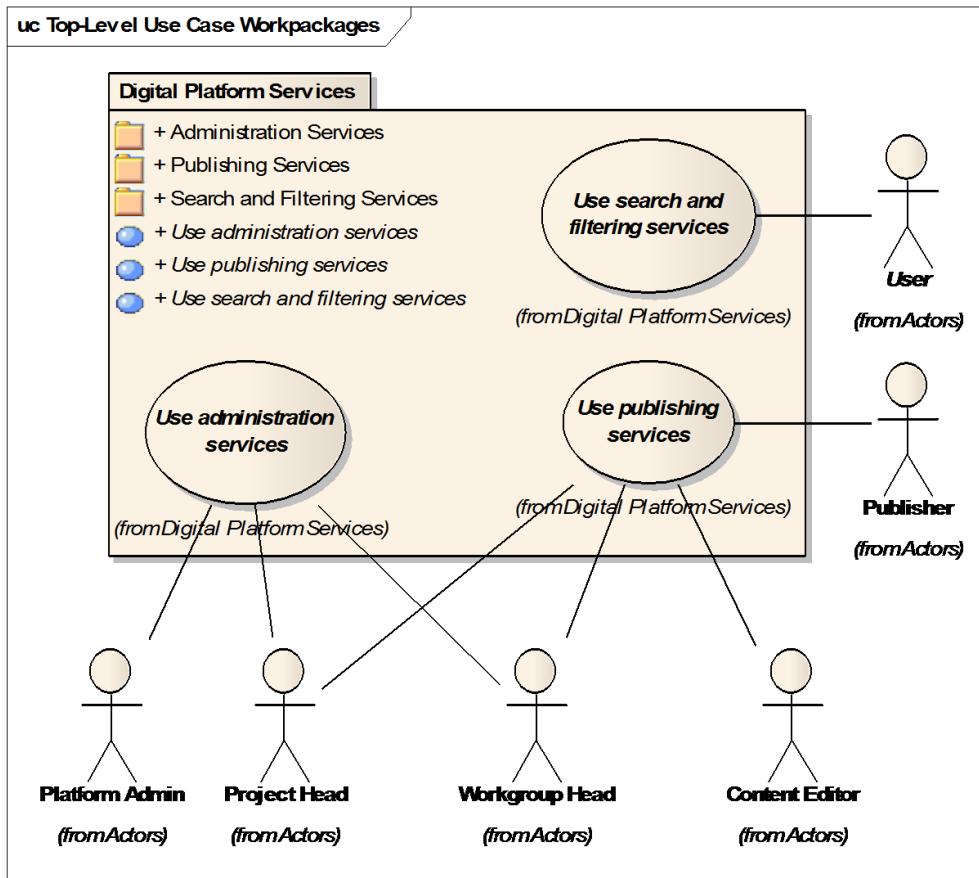


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PACKAGE IN USE CASE DIAGRAMS

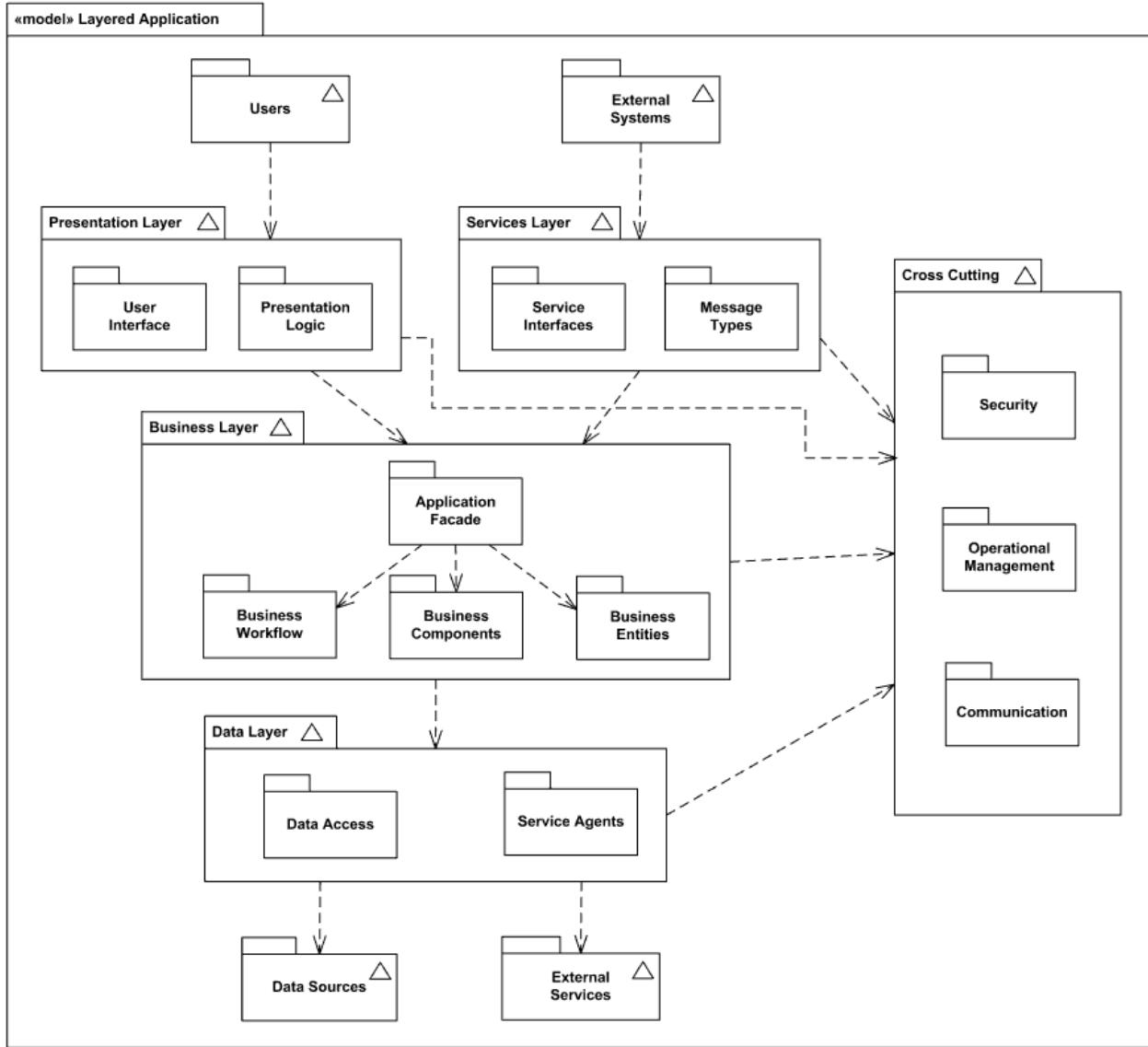
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LAYERED APPLICATION ARCHITECTURE

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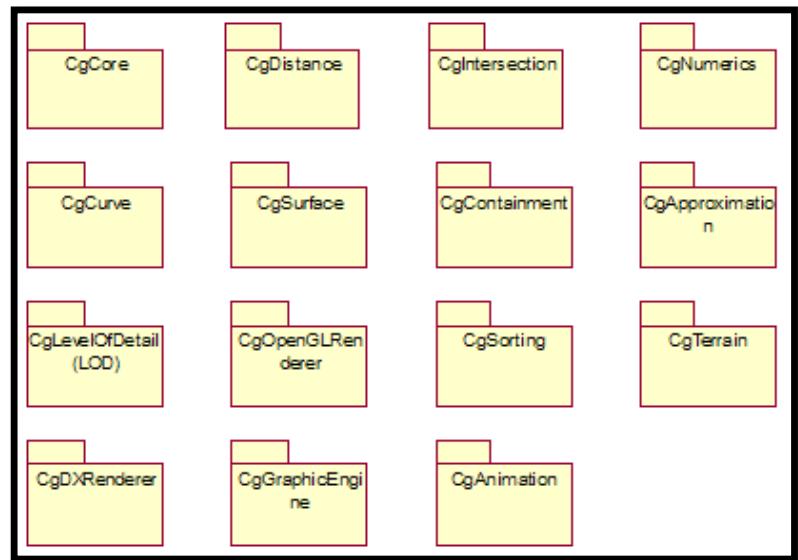


A NON-INFORMATIVE PACKAGE DIAGRAM

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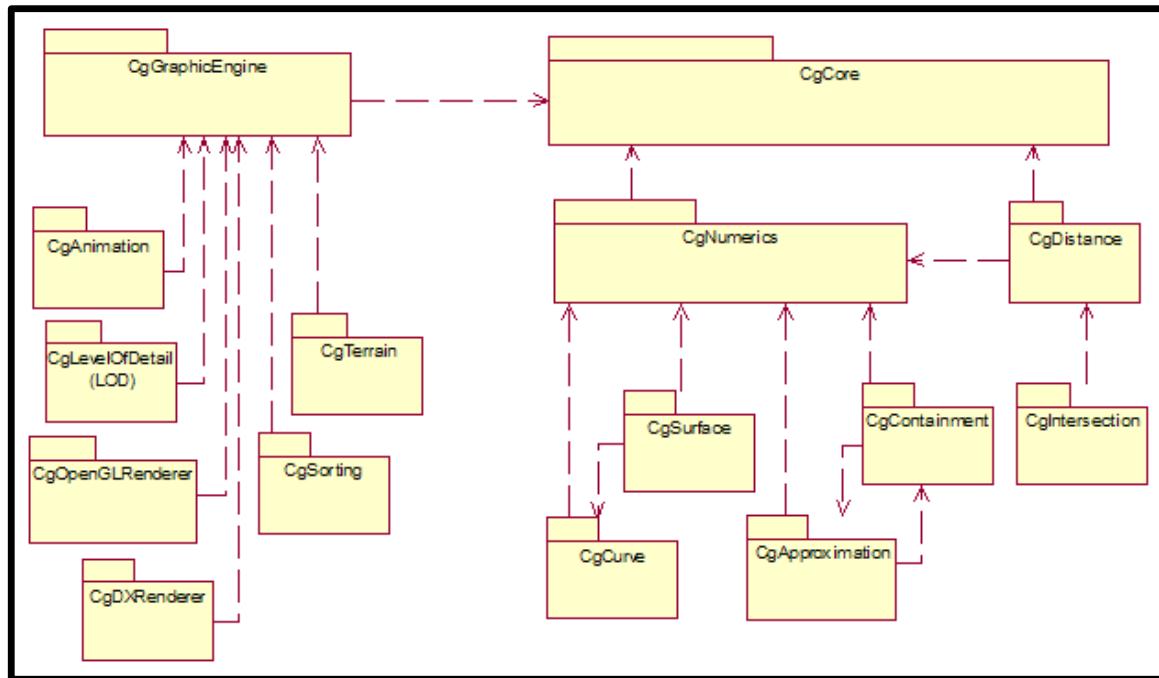
Tombstone packages

- No relations
- No abstraction levels
- No details about the inside



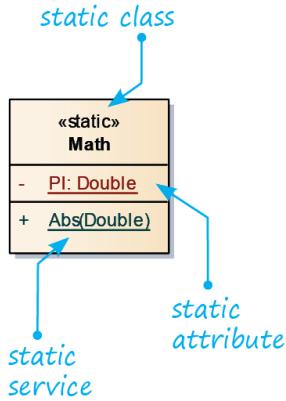
A MORE INFORMATIVE PACKAGE DIAGRAM

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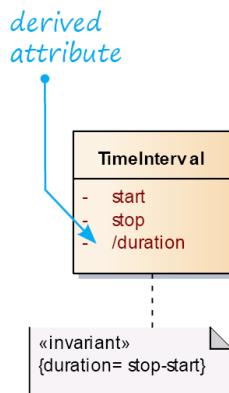


STATIC, DERIVED, READ-ONLY, AND FROZEN (§5.1)

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1 double constantValue= Math.PI;  
2 double x= -3.14;  
3 double positiveValue= Math.Abs(x);
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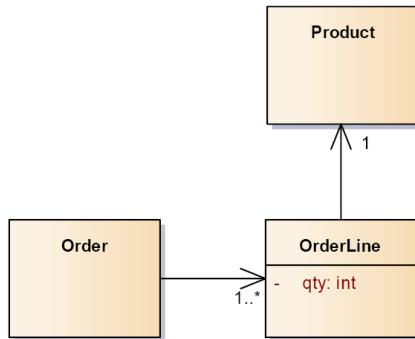
Vincoli:

- **{readOnly}** è un vincolo: precisa che il valore dell'attributo a cui è riferito non può essere modificato dall'esterno
- **{frozen}** è un vincolo: precisa che il valore dell'attributo a cui è riferito non può cambiare per tutta la vita di un oggetto

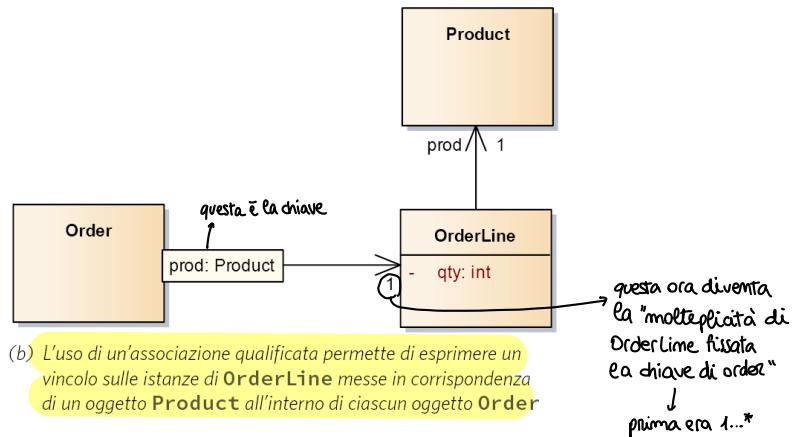
QUALIFIED ASSOCIATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS CLASS (§5.1.3)

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ASSOCIAZIONE QUALIFICATA: meccanismo di recupero CHIAVE-VALORE

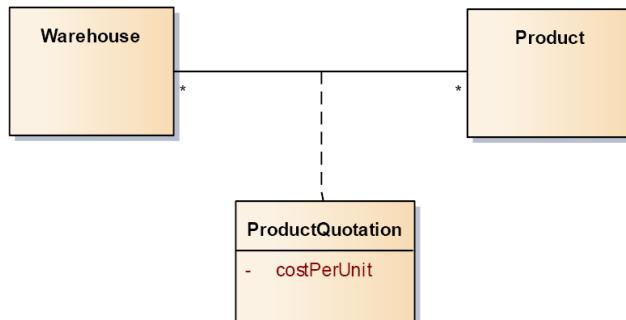


(a) In un modello con una catena di associazioni semplici non è possibile garantire che per ogni istanza di **Product** ci sia una sola istanza di **OrderLine** associata



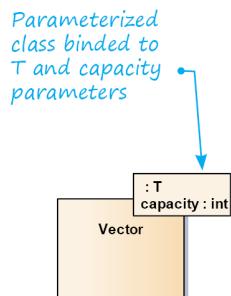
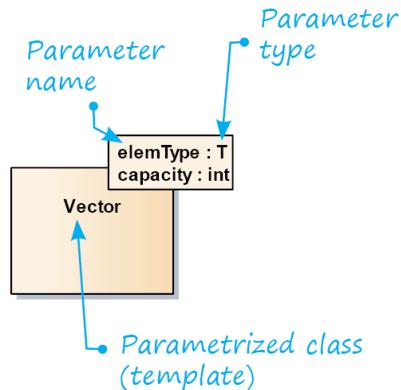
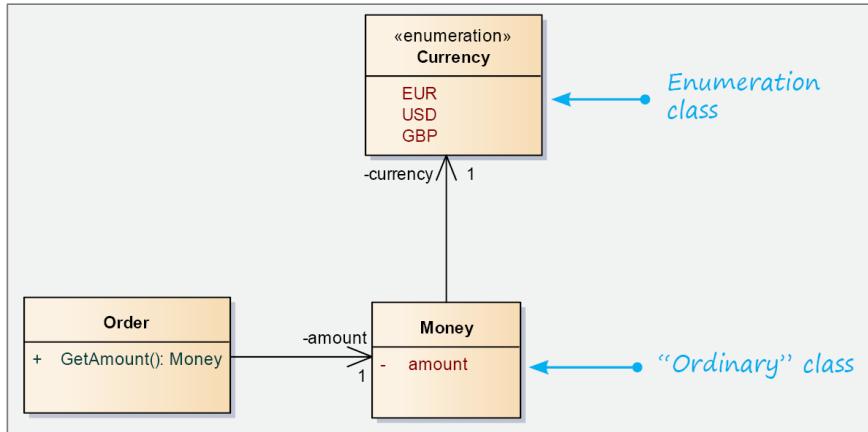
(b) L'uso di un'associazione qualificata permette di esprimere un vincolo sulle istanze di **OrderLine** messe in corrispondenza di un oggetto **Product** all'interno di ciascun oggetto **Order**

questa ora diventa la "moltiplicità di OrderLine fissata la chiave di order"
↓
prima era $1\dots*$

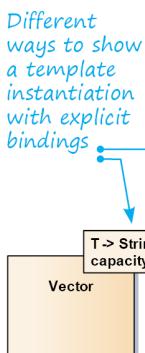


ENUMERATIONS AND TEMPLATES (§5.1.5, §5.1.6)

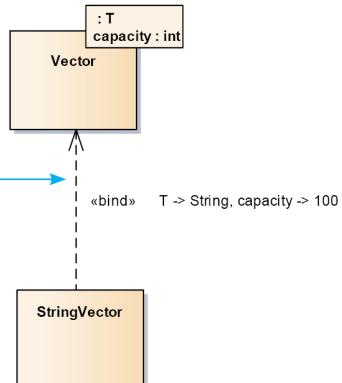
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(a) Template generico `Vector<T, capacity>` con parametri `T` (tipo generico) e `capacity` (di tipo `int`)



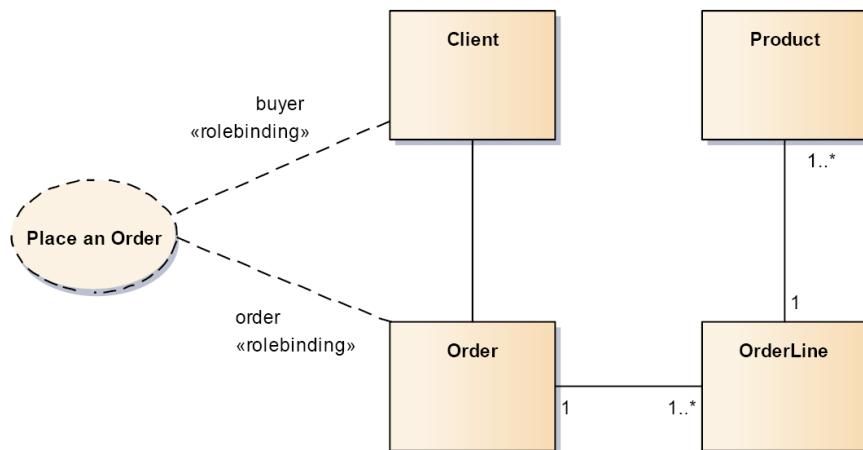
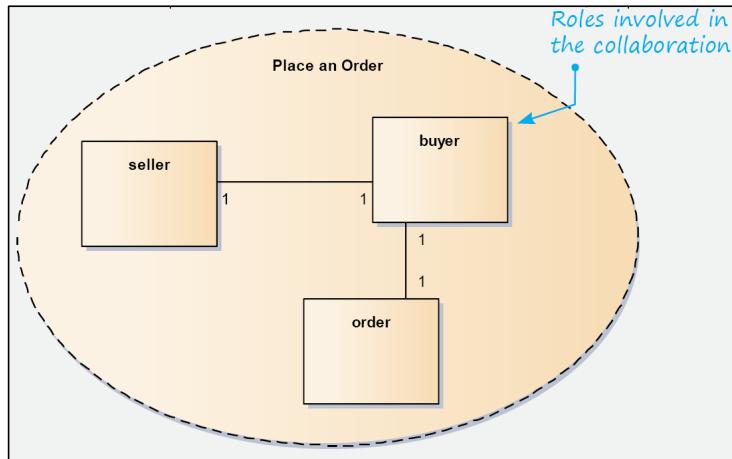
(b) Template generico `Vector<T, capacity>` istanziato nel caso in cui `T` sia legato al tipo `String` e `capacity` inizializzato col valore 100



(c) Template generico `Vector<T, capacity>` che esplicita la relazione di bind per i legami di `T` col tipo `String` e `capacity` col valore 100

COLLABORATIONS (§5.1.8)

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