

Object Oriented Programming

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Topic

- Aggregation
- Composition
- UML
- Association

Aggregation

What is Aggregation in java?

- **Aggregation** is a special form of association. It is a relationship between two classes like association, however its a directional association is a one way association.
- If a class have an entity reference, it is known as **Aggregation**. It represents a **HAS-A** relationship.
- **For example:** two classes **Student** class and **Address** class. Student has an address so the **relationship** between student and address is a **Has-A** relationship.
- If you consider its vice versa, an **Address** doesn't need to have a **Student** necessarily.
- In **Aggregation**, both the entries can survive individually. (*ending one entity will not effect the other entity*).

```

class Address {
    int streetNum;
    String city;
    String state;
    String country;

    Address(int street, String c, String st, String coun) {
        this.streetNum = street;
        this.city = c;
        this.state = st;
        this.country = coun;
    }
}

```

The above example :
In Student class, we declared a property of type **Address** to obtain student address.

Output:

```

123
Chaitanya
55
Agra
UP
India

```

```

class StudentClass {
    int rollNum;
    String studentName;
    // Creating HAS-A relationship with Address class
    Address studentAddr;

    StudentClass(int roll, String name, Address addr) {
        this.rollNum = roll;
        this.studentName = name;
        this.studentAddr = addr;
    }

    public static void main(String args[]) {
        Address ad = new Address(55, "Agra", "UP", "India");
        StudentClass obj = new StudentClass(123, "Chaitanya", ad);
        System.out.println(obj.rollNum);
        System.out.println(obj.studentName);
        System.out.println(obj.studentAddr.streetNum);
        System.out.println(obj.studentAddr.city);
        System.out.println(obj.studentAddr.state);
        System.out.println(obj.studentAddr.country);
    }
}

```

What is Aggregation in java?

- **Employee** object contains many informations such as **id**, **name**, **address** etc.
- It contains one more object named **address**, which contains its own informations such as **city**, **state**, **country**, **zipcode** etc. as given below.

```
class Employee {  
    int id;  
    String name;  
    Address address; // Address is a class  
    ...  
}
```

```
class Address {  
    String city;  
    String state;  
    String country;  
    String zipcode;  
    ...  
}
```

Why we need Aggregation?

- To maintain code re-usability. To understand this lets take the example.
 - Suppose there are **College**, **Staff** classes and **Student**, **Address**. In order to maintain Student's **address**, **College Address** and **Staff's address** we don't need to use the same code again and again.
 - We just have to use the reference of **Address** class while defining each of these classes like:

```
Student Has-A Address (Has-a relationship between student and address)
College Has-A Address (Has-a relationship between college and address)
Staff Has-A Address (Has-a relationship between staff and address)
```

Hence we can improve code re-usability by using Aggregation relationship.

If we write this in a program:

```
class Address {
    int streetNum;
    String city;
    String state;
    String country;

    Address(int street, String c, String st, String coun) {
        this.streetNum = street;
        this.city = c;
        this.state = st;
        this.country = coun;
    }
}

class StudentClass {
    int rollNum;
    String studentName;
    // Creating HAS-A relationship with Address class
    Address studentAddr;

    StudentClass(int roll, String name, Address addr) {
        this.rollNum = roll;
        this.studentName = name;
        this.studentAddr = addr;
    }
    ...
}
```


If write this in a program:

```
class College {
    String collegeName;
    // Creating HAS-A relationship with Address class
    Address collegeAddr;

    College(String name, Address addr) {
        this.collegeName = name;
        this.collegeAddr = addr;
    }
    ...
}

class Staff {
    String employeeName;
    // Creating HAS-A relationship with Address class
    Address employeeAddr;

    Staff(String name, Address addr) {
        this.employeeName = name;
        this.employeeAddr = addr;
    }
    ...
}
```

We didn't write the Address code in any of the three classes, we created the **HAS-A** relationship with the Address class to use the Address code.

Aggregation Example

- In example, **Employee** has an object of **Address**, address object contains its own informations such as **city**, **state**, **country** etc. In such case relationship is **Employee HAS-A address**.

```
public class Address {  
    String city, state, country;  
  
    public Address(String city, String state, String country) {  
        this.city = city;  
        this.state = state;  
        this.country = country;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Emp { 
    int id;
    String name;
    Address address;

    public Emp(int id, String name, Address address) {
        this.id = id;
        this.name = name;
        this.address = address;
    }
    void display() {
        System.out.println(id + " " + name);
        System.out.println(address.city + " " + address.state + " " + address.country);
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Address address1 = new Address("gzb", "UP", "india");
        Address address2 = new Address("gno", "UP", "india");
        Emp e = new Emp(111, "varun", address1);
        Emp e2 = new Emp(112, "arun", address2);
        e.display();
        e2.display();
    }
}
```

Aggregation Example

```
// student class
class Student {
    String name;
    int id;
    String dept;

    Student(String name, int id, String dept) {

        this.name = name;
        this.id = id;
        this.dept = dept;
    }
}
```

Aggregation Example

```
/*
 * Department class contains list of student Objects. It is associated with
 * student class through its Object(s).
 */
class Department {

    String name;
    private List<Student> students;

    Department(String name, List<Student> students) {

        this.name = name;
        this.students = students;

    }

    public List<Student> getStudents() {
        return students;
    }
}
```

Aggregation Example

```
/*
 * Institute class contains list of Department Objects. It is associated with
 * Department class through its Object(s).
 */
class Institute {

    String instituteName;
    private List<Department> departments;

    Institute(String instituteName, List<Department> departments) {
        this.instituteName = instituteName;
        this.departments = departments;
    }

    // count total students of all departments
    // in a given institute
    public int getTotalStudentsInInstitute() {
        int noOfStudents = 0;
        List<Student> students;
        for (Department dept : departments) {
            students = dept.getStudents();
            for (Student s : students) {
                noOfStudents++;
            }
        }
        return noOfStudents;
    }
}
```

```

// main method
class GFG {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Student s1 = new Student("Mia", 1, "CSE");
        Student s2 = new Student("Priya", 2, "CSE");
        Student s3 = new Student("John", 1, "EE");
        Student s4 = new Student("Rahul", 2, "EE");

        // making a List of
        // CSE Students.
        List<Student> cse_students = new ArrayList<Student>();
        cse_students.add(s1);
        cse_students.add(s2);

        // making a List of
        // EE Students
        List<Student> ee_students = new ArrayList<Student>();
        ee_students.add(s3);
        ee_students.add(s4);

        Department CSE = new Department("CSE", cse_students);
        Department EE = new Department("EE", ee_students);

        List<Department> departments = new ArrayList<Department>();
        departments.add(CSE);
        departments.add(EE);

        // creating an instance of Institute.
        Institute institute = new Institute("BITS", departments);

        System.out.print("Total students in institute: ");
        System.out.print(institute.getTotalStudentsInInstitute());
    }
}

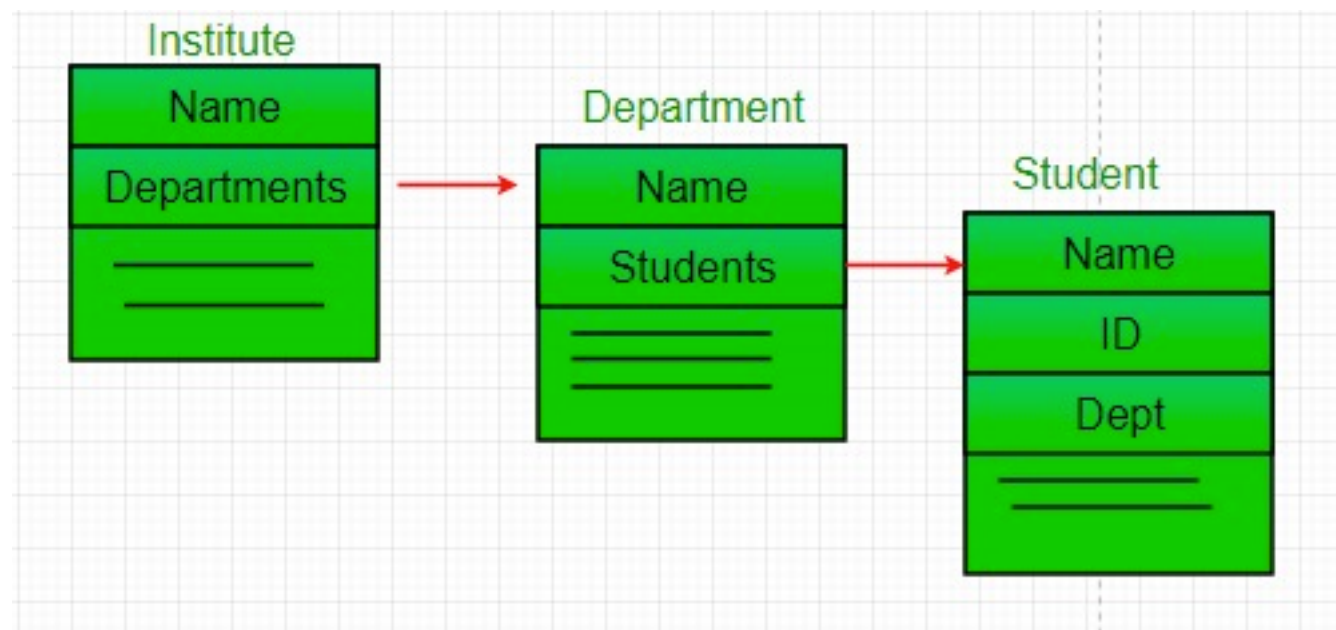
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Output:

Total students in institute: 4

Aggregation

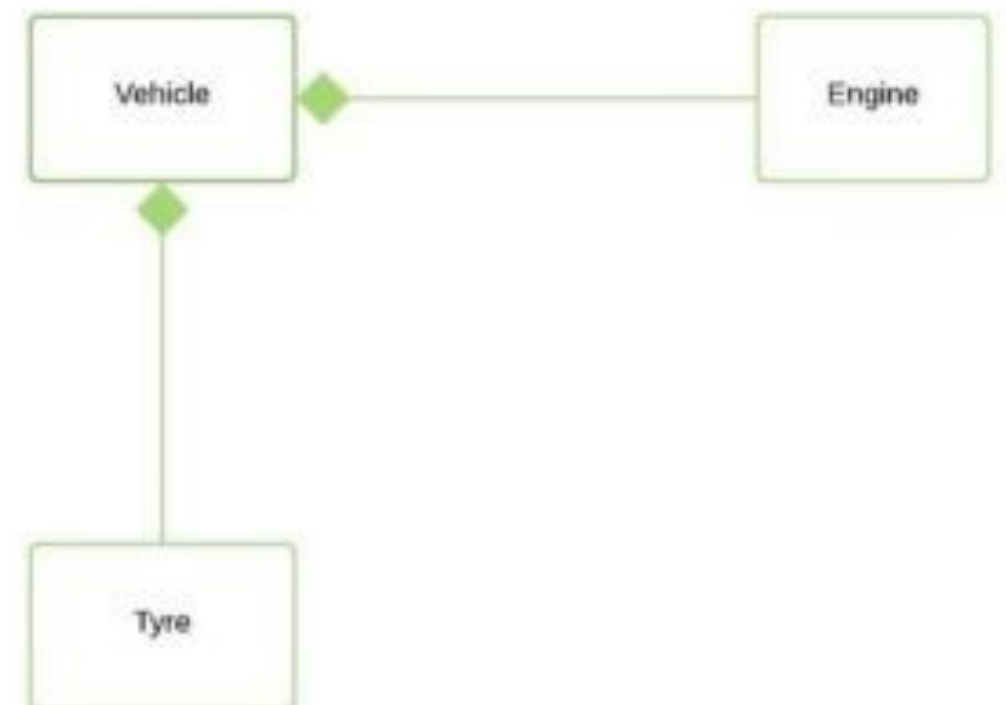
- In the previous example, there is an Institute which has number of departments. Every department has number of students.
- The Institute class has a reference to Object or number of Objects (i.e. List of Objects) of the Department class.
- That means Institute class is associated with Department class through its Object(s). And Department class has a reference to Object or Objects (i.e. List of Objects) of Student class means it is associated with Student class through its Object(s).
- It represents a Has-A relationship.



Composition

Composition

- Composition is restricted than Aggregation in which two entities are highly dependent on each other.
- It represents part-of relationship.
- In composition, both the entities are dependent on each other.
- When there is a composition between two entities, the composed object cannot exist without the other entity.



Composition

```
// class book
class Book {

    public String title;
    public String author;

    Book(String title, String author) {

        this.title = title;
        this.author = author;
    }
}
```

```
// Library class contains
// list of books.
class Library {

    // reference to refer to list of books.
    private final List<Book> books;

    Library(List<Book> books) {
        this.books = books;
    }

    public List<Book> getTotalBooksInLibrary() {

        return books;
    }
}
```

Composition

```
// main method
class GFG {
    public static void main(String[] args) {

        // Creating the Objects of Book class.
        Book b1 = new Book("EffectiveJ Java", "Joshua Bloch");
        Book b2 = new Book("Thinking in Java", "Bruce Eckel");
        Book b3 = new Book("Java: The Complete Reference", "Herbert Schildt");

        // Creating the list which contains the
        // no. of books.
        List<Book> books = new ArrayList<Book>();
        books.add(b1);
        books.add(b2);
        books.add(b3);

        Library library = new Library(books);

        List<Book> bks = library.getTotalBooksInLibrary();
        for (Book bk : bks) {

            System.out.println("Title : " + bk.title + " and " + " Author : " + bk.author);
        }
    }
}
```

Composition

Output

```
Title : EffectiveJ Java and Author : Joshua Bloch  
Title : Thinking in Java and Author : Bruce Eckel  
Title : Java: The Complete Reference and Author : Herbert Schildt
```

- In example a library can have number of books on same or different subjects.
- If the library gets destroyed then all books within that particular library will be destroyed. (book can not exist without library). **That's why it is composition.**

Aggregation vs Composition

1.Dependency: Aggregation implies a relationship where the child can exist independently of the parent.

- **For example, Bank and Employee, delete the Bank and the Employee still exist.**

2.Composition implies a relationship where the child cannot exist independent of the parent.

- **Example: Human and heart, heart don't exist separate to a Human**

3.Type of Relationship: Aggregation relation is “**has-a**” and composition is “**part-of**” relation.

4.Type of association: Composition is a **strong Association** whereas Aggregation is a **weak Association**.

Aggregation vs Composition

```
// Engine class which will
// be used by car. so 'Car'
// class will have a field
// of Engine type.
class Engine {
    // starting an engine.
    public void work() {

        System.out.println("Engine of car
        has been started ");
    }
}
```

```
// Engine class which will
// Engine class
final class Car {

    // For a car to move,
    // it need to have a engine.
    private final Engine engine; // Composition
    // private Engine engine; // Aggregation

    Car(Engine engine) {
        this.engine = engine;
    }

    // car start moving by starting engine
    public void move() {

        // if(engine != null)
        {
            engine.work();
            System.out.println("Car is moving ");
        }
    }
}
```

Aggregation vs Composition

```
class GFG {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        // making an engine by creating  
        // an instance of Engine class.  
        Engine engine = new Engine();  
  
        // Making a car with engine.  
        // so we are passing a engine  
        // instance as an argument while  
        // creating instace of Car.  
        Car car = new Car(engine);  
        car.move();  
  
    }  
}
```

Output:

```
Engine of car has been started  
Car is moving
```


UML-**U**nified **M**odeling **L**anguage

- **Composition**

- In UML, we indicate **composition** with the following symbol:

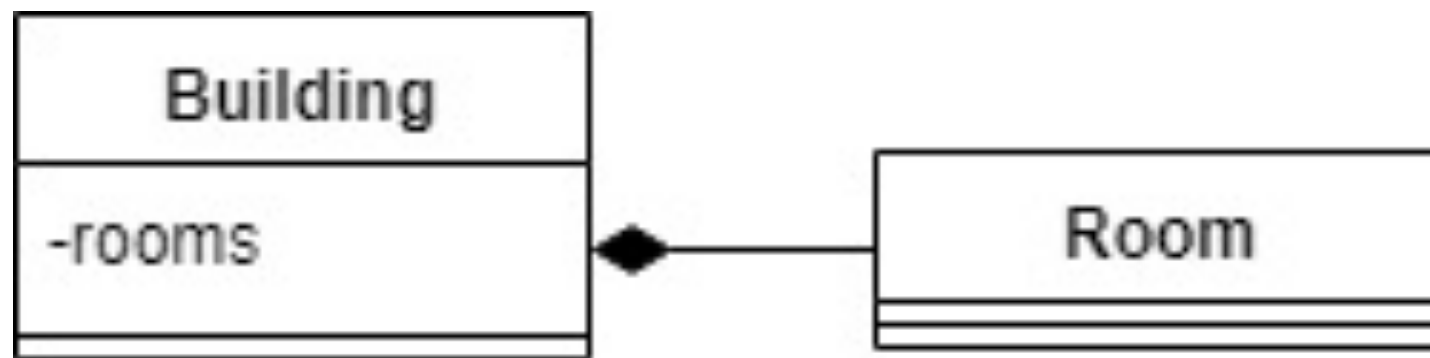


- The diamond is at the containing object and is the base of the line, not an arrowhead. For clarity, we often draw the arrowhead too:



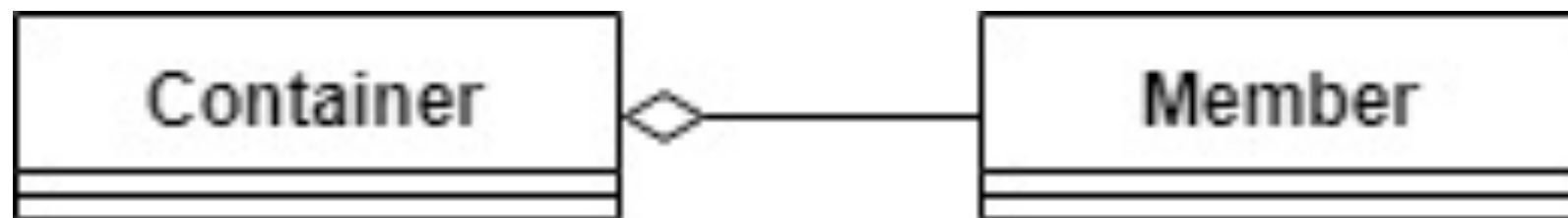
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- **Composition**
 - We can use this UML construct for our Building-Room example:



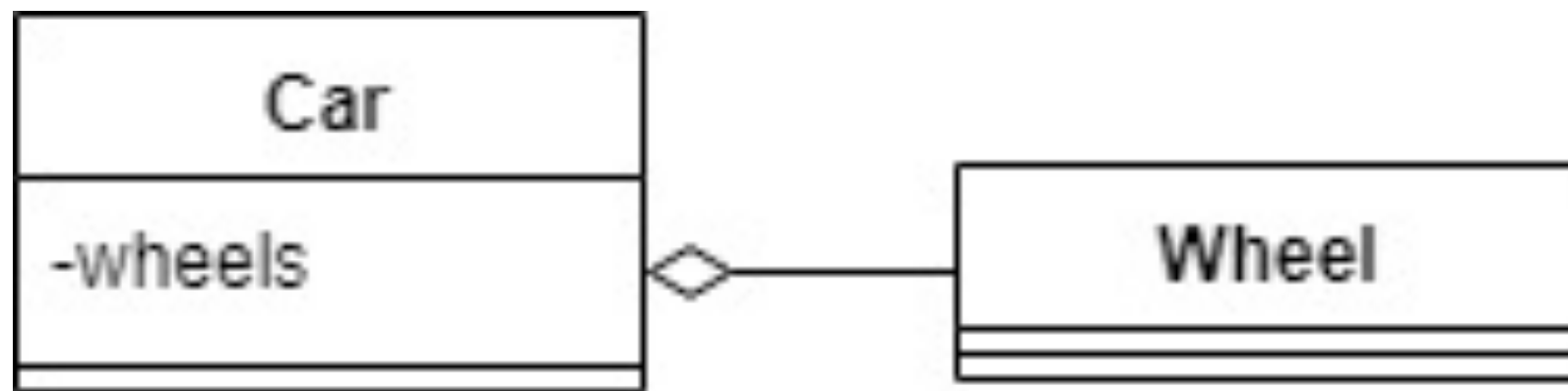
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- **Aggregation**
 - Aggregation is very similar to composition. The only logical difference is aggregation is a weaker relationship.
 - UML representations are also very similar. The only difference is the diamond is empty:



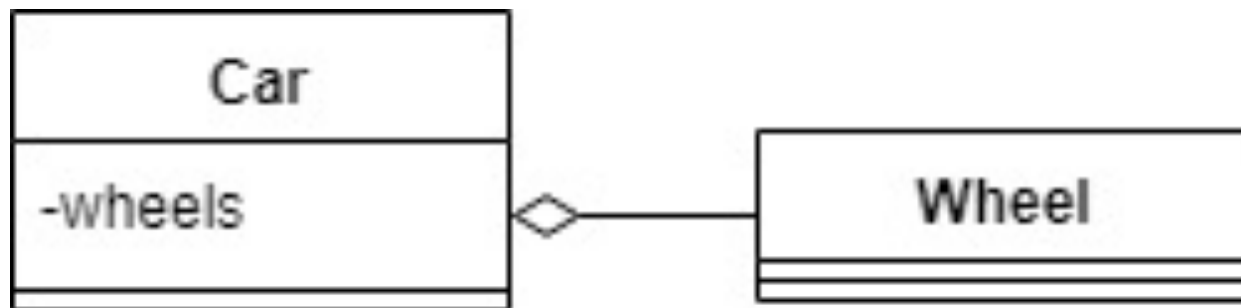
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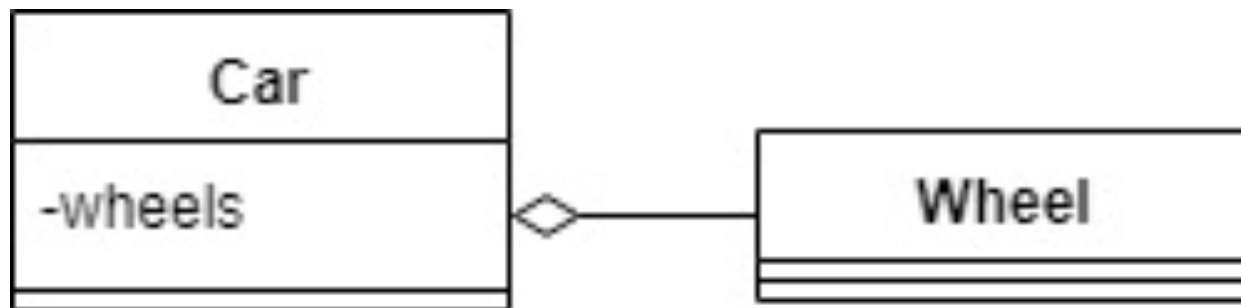
- Source Code

```
class Wheel {
}

class Car {
    List<Wheel> wheels;
}
```

UML-**U**nified **M**odeling **L**anguage

- Aggregation
 - For cars and wheels, then, we'd do:



- Java will create an implicit reference only in non-static inner classes. We have to maintain the relationship manually where we need it:

```
class Wheel {
    Car car;
}

class Car {
    List<Wheel> wheels;
}
```

Association

What is Association in java?

- Association is relation between two separate classes which establishes through their Objects. Association can be **one-to-one**, **one-to-many**, **many-to-one**, **many-to-many**.
- In Object-Oriented programming, an Object communicates to other Object to use functionality and services provided by that object. **Composition** and **Aggregation** are the two forms of association.
- **Association** isn't a “**has-a**” relationship, none of the objects are parts or members of another.
- **Association** only means that the objects “**know**” each other. For example, a mother and her child.

What is Association in java?

```
// class bank
class Bank {
    private String name;

    // bank name
    Bank(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }

    public String getBankName() {
        return this.name;
    }
}

// employee class
class Employee {
    private String name;

    // employee name
    Employee(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }

    public String getEmployeeName() {
        return this.name;
    }
}
```

What is Association in java?

```
// Association between both the
// classes in main method
class Association {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Bank bank = new Bank("Axis");
        Employee emp = new Employee("Neha");

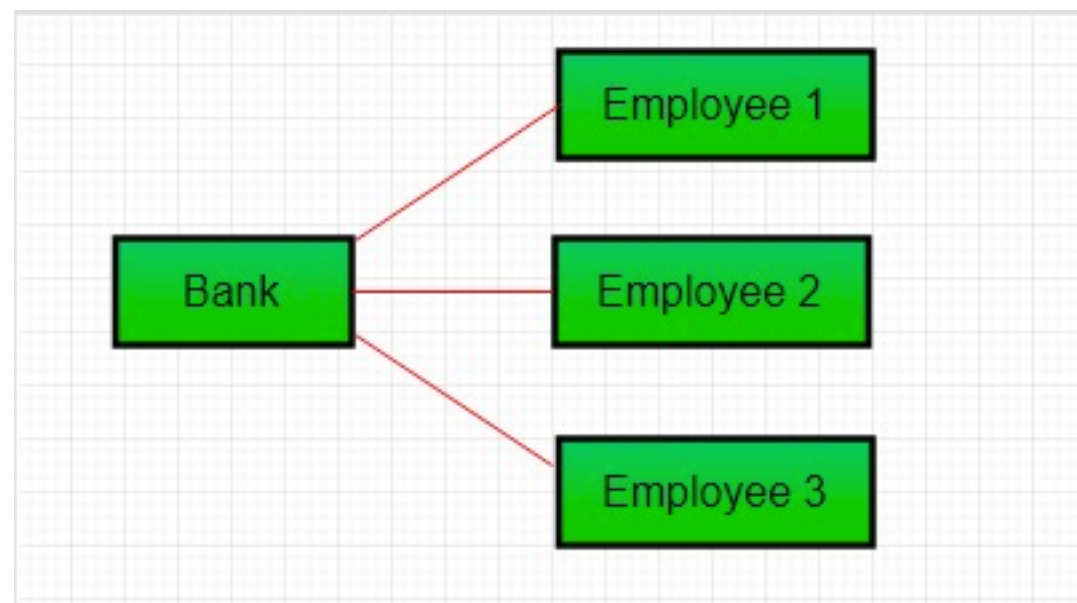
        System.out.println(emp.getEmployeeName() + " is employee of " + bank.getBankName());
    }
}
```

Output:

Neha is employee of Axis

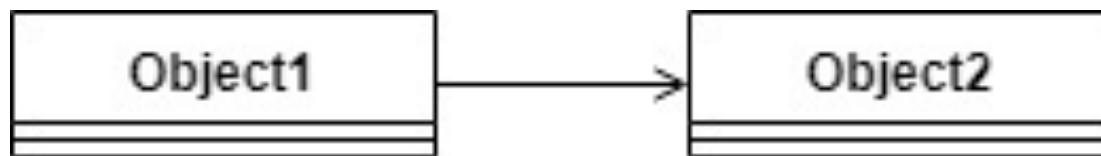
Association

- In above example two separate classes **Bank** and **Employee** are **associated** through their Objects. **Bank** can have many **employees**, So it is a **one-to-many** relationship.

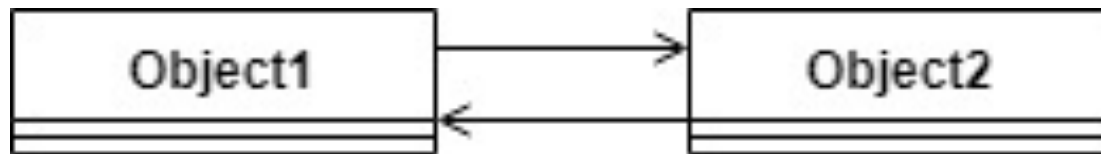


Association

- UML
- In UML, we can mark an association with an arrow:

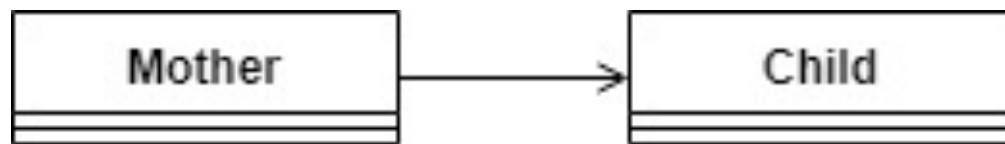


- If the association is bidirectional, we can use two arrows, an arrow with an arrowhead on both ends, or a line without any arrowheads:



Association

- UML
 - We can represent a mother and her child in UML, then:

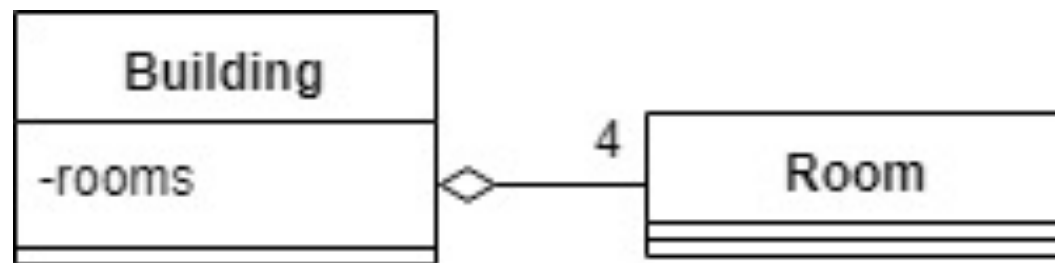


- Source Code

```
class Child {  
}  
  
class Mother {  
    List<Child> children;  
}
```

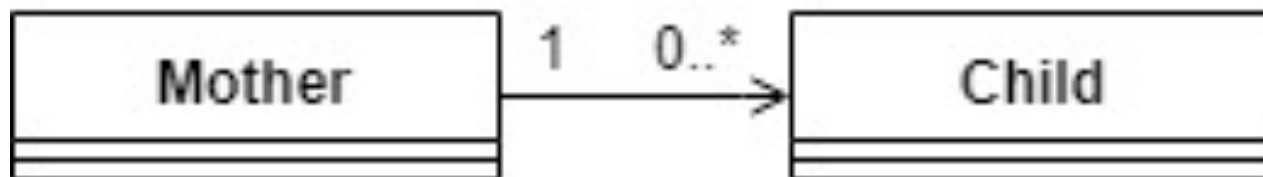
Association

- UML Sidenote
 - For the sake of clarity, sometimes we want to define the **cardinality** of a **relationship** on a UML diagram.
 - We can do this by writing it to the ends of the arrow:



Association

- UML Sidenote
 - Note, that it doesn't make sense to write zero as cardinality, because it means there's no relationship.
 - The only exception is when we want to use a range to indicate an optional relationship:

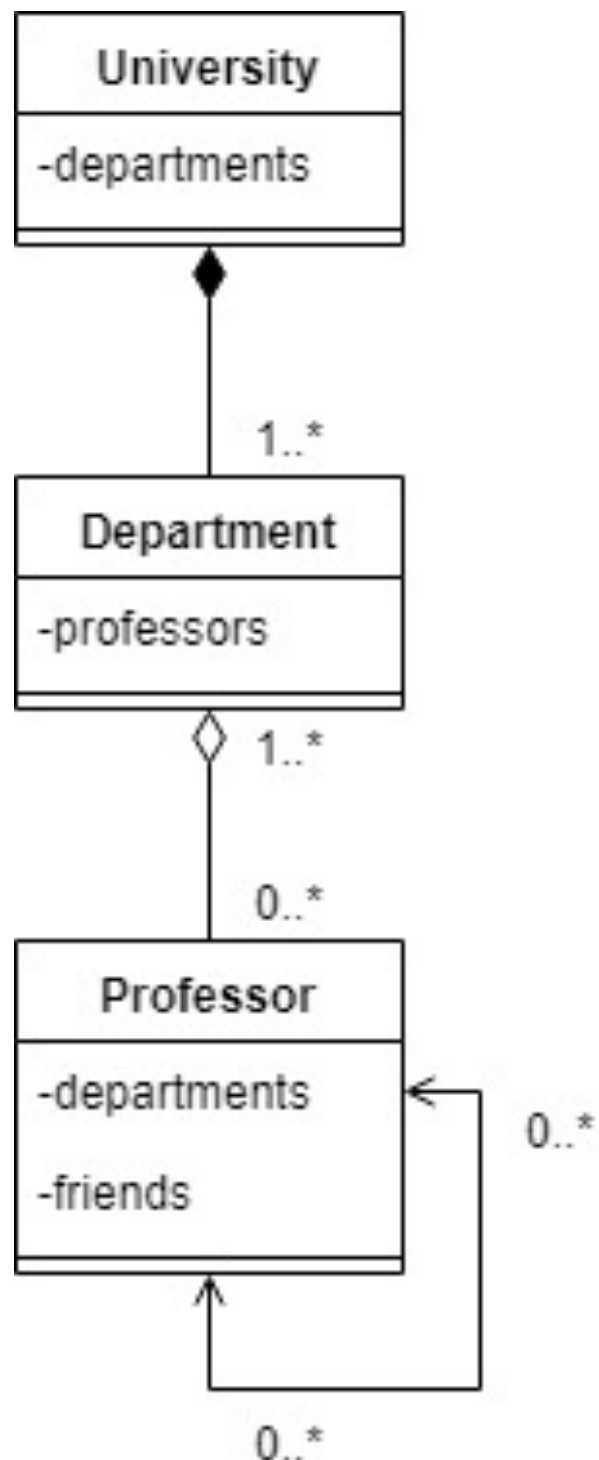


Also note, that since in composition there's precisely one owner we don't indicate it on the diagrams.

A Complex Example

- We'll model a university, which has its departments. Professors work in each department, who also has friends among each other.
- Will the departments exist after we close the university? Of course not, therefore it's a **composition**.
- But the professors will still exist (hopefully). We have to decide which is more logical: if we consider professors as parts of the departments or not. Alternatively: are they members of the departments or not? Yes, they are. Hence it's an **aggregation**. On top of that, a professor can work in multiple departments.
- The relationship between professors is association because it doesn't make any sense to say that a professor is part of another one.
- As a result, we can model this example with the following UML diagram:

A Complex Example



```
class University {
    List<Department> department;
}

class Department {
    List<Professor> professors;
}

class Professor {
    List<Department> department;
    List<Professor> friends;
}
```

Note, that if we rely on the terms “has-a”, “belongs-to”, “member-of”, “part-of”, and so on, we can more easily identify the relationships between our objects.

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