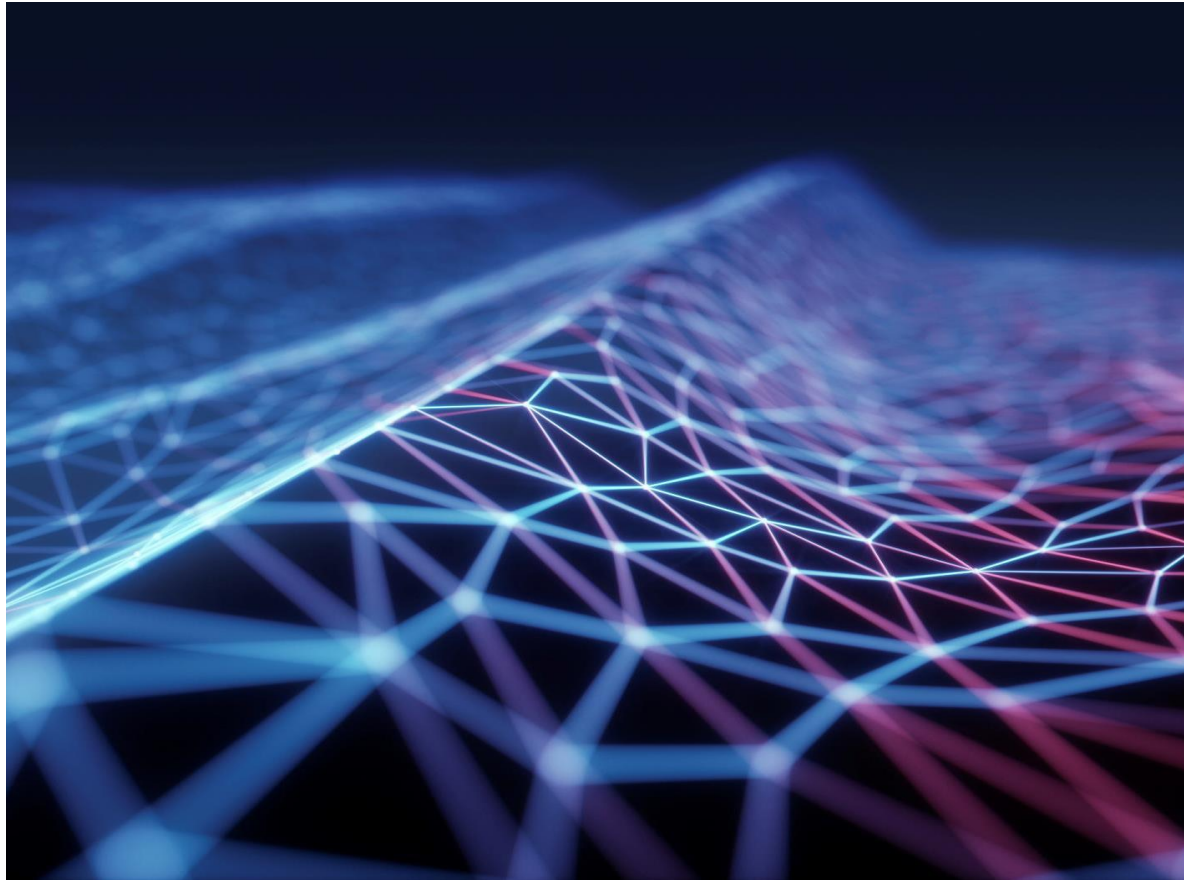


Object Oriented Programming Lecture Two



- **Classes and Data Abstraction**

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Expected Outcome

At the end of this lecture the student should be able to:

- Model individual class diagrams using UML
- Model relationship class diagrams using the UML modeling language
- Be able to perform an object-oriented analysis on a set of requirements, extracting classes and their relationships
- Build a solution model using UML,
- Transform the UML model into programming code in an object-oriented language.

Topics to be covered in this Lecture:

Define the terms “class” and “object”

Members of a class – attributes and methods

List and explain the four types of methods

Identify the three compartments of a UML Class diagram and state their contents.

Model classes derived from OOA using individual UML class diagrams

List and explain the following type of relationships among classes:

- **Dependency**
- **Association**
- **Generalization**
- **Realization**

Represent the relationships among classes using a UML relationship diagram

Classes and Objects



A class in OOP is like a blue-print (architectural drawing) for building a house – which specifies the design for the house



An object is like an actual house built from the blue-print. The same blue-print can be used to create more than one house from the same design - for example, house in a housing scheme

Classes and Objects

In the Object-Oriented Paradigm, the central focus is on objects which are sets of data items

A class is the description of a set of data and the operations that can be performed on the data contained in the class

An object is an instantiation of a class. A class can be used to create as many objects of the same type, but each such object created has its own identity and state.

Classes and Objects

Example:

Student might be a class. The Student class may have studentIDNumber, name and GPA.

The class might also contain the operation ShowGPA.

KerryAnn might be a specific object of the Student class. The KerryAnn object might have studentIDNumber being “012345”, name being “KerryAnn Smith” and GPA being “3.9”. Sending the ShowGPA message to the object called KerryAnn would cause KerryAnn's GPA to be printed on the screen

Members of A Class – Attributes and Methods

The data elements in a class are called attributes.



The operations than can be performed by a class are called methods.



In the previous example:

- studentIDNumber, name and GPA are all attributes of the Student class.

- ShowGPA is a method in the Student class.

Members of a Class – Attributes and Methods

- Attributes give an object its state.
- Methods give an object its behaviour

State

At a particular moment in time, the KerryAnn object might contain the Values:

studentID Number: 012345

name: KerryAnn Smith

GPA: 3.9

Behaviour

When the ShowGPA message is sent to the KerryAnn Object.

The Show GPA method displays the GPA for the student KerryAnn Smith:

GPA: 3.9

Abstraction, Encapsulation and Data Hiding

The Student class is an abstraction for a real-world entity called a Student (a real person who attends a school or is involved in learning). Unnecessary details such as hair colour and blood type are excluded from the abstraction.

The attributes and methods of the Student class are encapsulated in the class, effectively hiding the data and structure of the class. The outside world can interact with the class by interacting with its interface – that is by sending messages to the class through its methods and obtain behaviour.

The Four Types of Methods

There are four types of methods that a class can have:



Constructors

Destructor

Accessors

Mutators



Sometimes a fifth type is included:

Utility

Constructor Methods

- A constructor is a special type of method that is used to initialize the attributes in an object.
- It initializes the state of the object.
- It is called automatically when a new object is instantiated (defined and created)
- It has the same name as the class of the object.
- Can automatically call constructors for inherited classes.

Destructor Methods

- A destructor is a special type of method that is automatically called when an object is destroyed (removed from memory).
- It is used by the programmer to free any memory previously allocated by the object and any other operation that must be performed when the object is destroyed.
- It has the same name as the class of the object.



Accessor Methods

- An accessor is a type of method that is used to access the overall state of an object, or a particular attribute in the object.
- Accessors are sometimes called “get” methods since they get, display or return the value of an attribute.
- Accessors are necessary because in keeping with OOP principles, attributes are normally hidden inside the class away from the outside world, so when the outside world needs to know the value of the attribute, the accessor provides it, without given direct access to the attribute itself.
- The accessor can perform checks to see if access should be granted to the user to get the value of the attribute. They retrieve an attribute’s value while preventing it from being changed.

Mutator Methods

- A mutator is a type of method that is used to set one or more attributes in an object.
- Mutators are sometimes called “set” methods since they set or change the value of an attribute.
- Mutators can perform data validation before setting the attribute to the specified value.

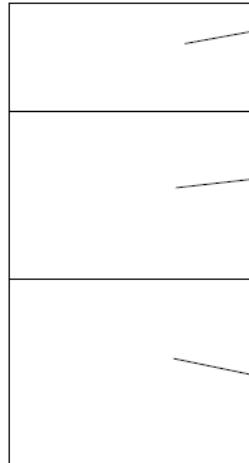
Utility Methods

- Sometimes a helper method is needed by a class. This helper method supports the work of the public (exposed) methods of the class.
- Such a method is called a utility method.
- This method is not available for direct use by outside users of the class.
- However, friends of the class can call the method.

The Three Compartments of a UML Class Diagram

A UML class diagram is a rectangle with three sections as portrayed below

A UML Class Diagram



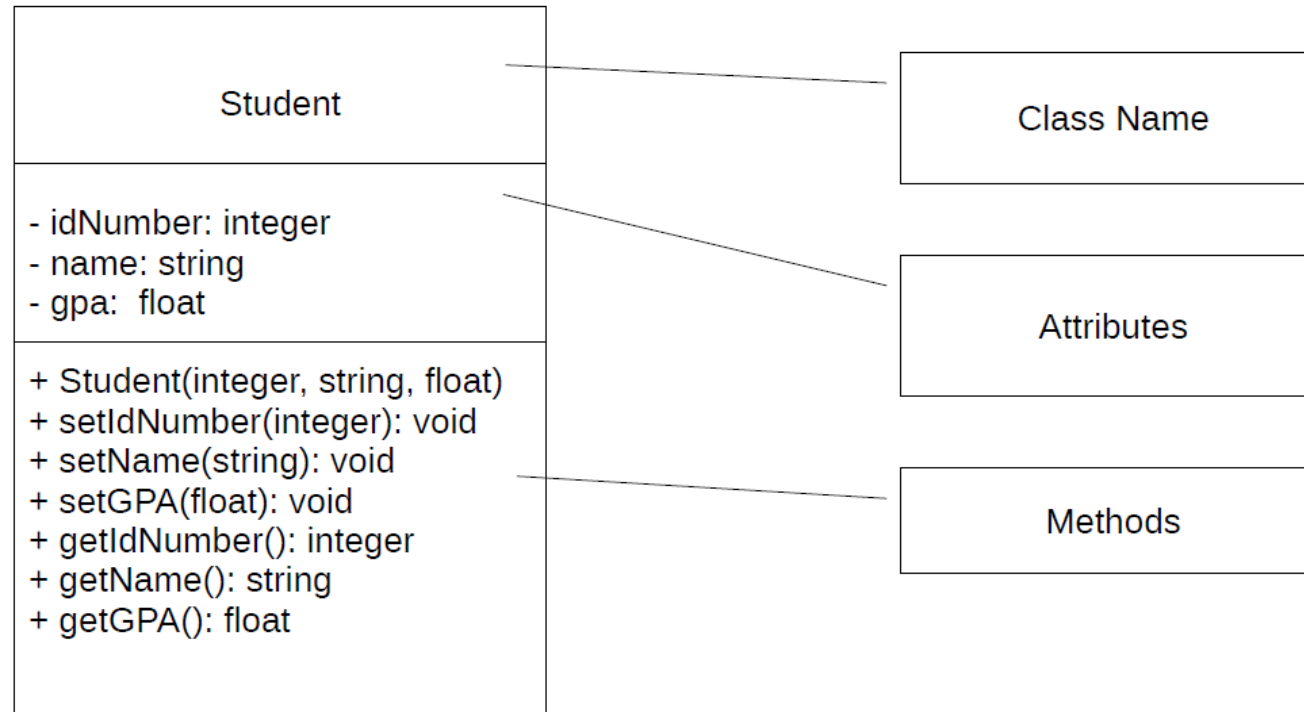
The name of the class goes in the top section. The name of the class is centered.

The attributes of the class are placed in the middle section. The data type and access specifier of each attribute may be specified along with each attribute

The methods are placed into the bottom section. Each method may be specified with its access specifier, parameters, and return type

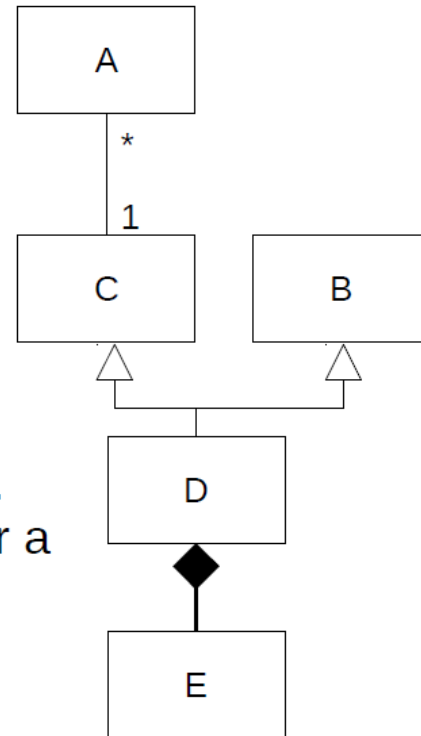
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A sample UML class diagram



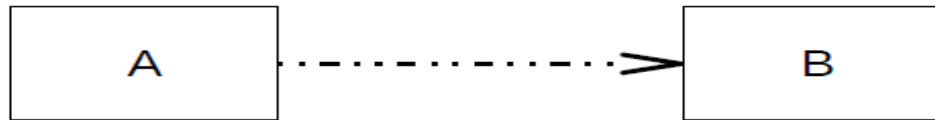
Types of Relationships among Classes

- Relationships between classes can be depicted with UML a relationship diagram
- Types of relationships among classes are:
 - Dependency
 - Association
 - Generalization
 - Realization
- A solid or dashed line linking two classes depicts a relationship between those classes. Sometimes the line has numbers, an arrow or a diamond at one end



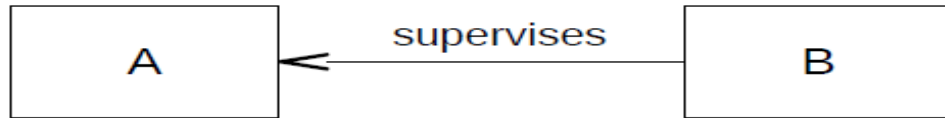
Dependency Relationships

- In a dependency, one class A, depends on or uses another class B, but class A does not contain an instance of class B in itself.
- For example, occurs when a method in class A accepts an object of class B as a parameter
- If the interface to class B changes, this might affect class A, since A depends on B
- Represented by dashed line connecting the classes, with optional arrow point to class that is depended on



Association Relationships

- An association depicts a link between classes
- That link is represented by a solid line
- Multiplicity symbols may be placed on both ends of the line to show how many objects of one class are connected with the other class



Multiplicity	Description
1	One
0..1	Zero to one
n	Exactly n
m..n	m to n
*	Zero to infinity
1..*	One to infinity

Composition Relationships

- A composition relationship is a type of Association relationship
- In this type of relationship, one class A is contained inside another class B (B has an A)
- For this reason, it is called a “has-a” relationship
- Every time an object of B is created, an object of class A is created as well e.g. (B) Student (A) Id#
- Composition is represented by joining both classes with a solid line and placing a shaded diamond on the end of the “container” class



Aggregation Relationships

- An aggregation relationship is also a type of Association relationship
- In this type of relationship, one class A is may or may not be contained inside another class B
- Sometimes B can have an A
- But there are times when a B can exist with out having an A, e.g. (B) Student and (A) Cell Phone
- Aggregation is represented by joining both classes with a solid line and placing an unshaded diamond on the end of the “container” class



Generalization Relationships

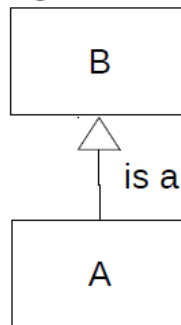
- A generalization relationship specifies that a class is the parent of another class
- The parent class is also called the Generalized class or Base class
- The child class is also called the Specialized class or the Derived class
- Specified in UML by connecting the parent and child classes with a solid line and placing an unshaded triangle on the parent end, making B the parent of A in the example below



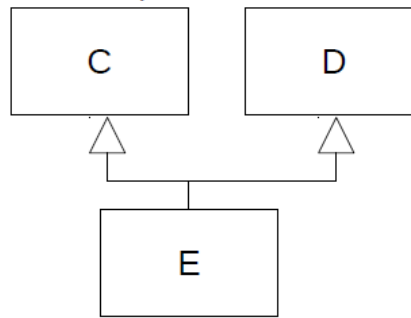
Generalization Relationships

- A generalization relationship is also called an inheritance relationship because the child classes inherit the members of the parent class
- A generalization is also called an “is-a” relationship e.g. A is a B below
- Can have single-inheritance (one parent) and multiple-inheritance (multiple parents)

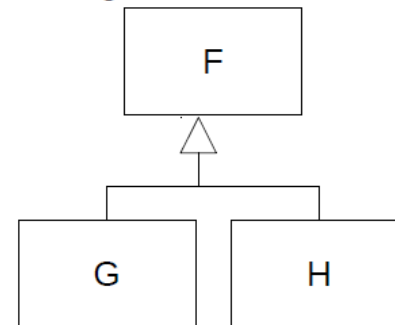
single inheritance



multiple inheritance



single inheritance



Modeling classes derived from OOA

Sample Requirements

An office worker has an employee identification number (i.e. ID), a first name, last name, date employed, and telephone number. The date employed records the day, month and year the worker was employed. Each telephone number has an area code, a exchange and a line number.

A receptionist is a type of office worker who has an extension number. A supervisor is a type of office worker who has a numeric supervisory code.

Modeling classes derived from OOA

Underlining the nouns in noun-verb analysis

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Modeling classes derived from OOA

Resulting classes and attributes

- class **OfficeWorker** contains attributes:
employee number, first name, last name, date employed and telephone number
- class **Date** contains attributes:
day, month and year
- class **TelephoneNumber** contains attributes:
area code, exchange and line
- Class **Receptionist** contains attribute:
extension
- Class **Supervisor** contains attribute:
code

Modeling classes derived from OOA

Resulting classes and attributes

- **OfficeWorker:**

employee id,
first name,
last name,
date employed and
telephone

OfficeWorker
-employeeId: int -firstName: String -lastName: String -dateEmployed: Date -telephone: TelephoneNumber
+OfficeWorker() +OfficeWorker(int,String,String) +OfficeWorker(OfficerWorker) +setEmployeeId(int): void +getEmployeeId(): int +setFirstName(String): void +getFirstName(): String +setLastName(String): void +getLastName(): String +setDateEmployed(Date): void +getDateEmployed(): Date +setTelephone(TelephoneNumber): void +getTelephone(): TelephoneNumber +toString(): String

Modeling classes derived from OOA

Resulting classes and attributes

- **Date:**
day,
month and
year

Date
-day: int -month: int -year: int
+Date() +Date(int,int,int) +Date(Date) +setDay(int): void +getDay(): int +setMonth(int): void +getMonth(): int +setYear(int): void +getYear(): int +toString(): String

Modeling classes derived from OOA

Resulting classes and attributes

- **TelephoneNumber:**

area code,
exchange and
line

TelephoneNumber
-areaCode: String -exchange: String -line: String
+TelephoneNumber() +TelephoneNumber(String,String,String) +TelephoneNumber(TelephoneNumber) +setAreaCode(String): void +getAreaCode(): String +setExchange(String): void +getExchange(): String +setLine(String): void +getLine(): String +toString(): String

Modeling classes derived from OOA

Resulting classes and attributes

- **Receptionist:**
extension number

Receptionist
-extension: int
+Receptionist() +Receptionist(int,String,String,Date,TelephoneNumber, int) +Receptionist(Receptionist) +setExtension(int): void +getExtension(): int +toString(): String

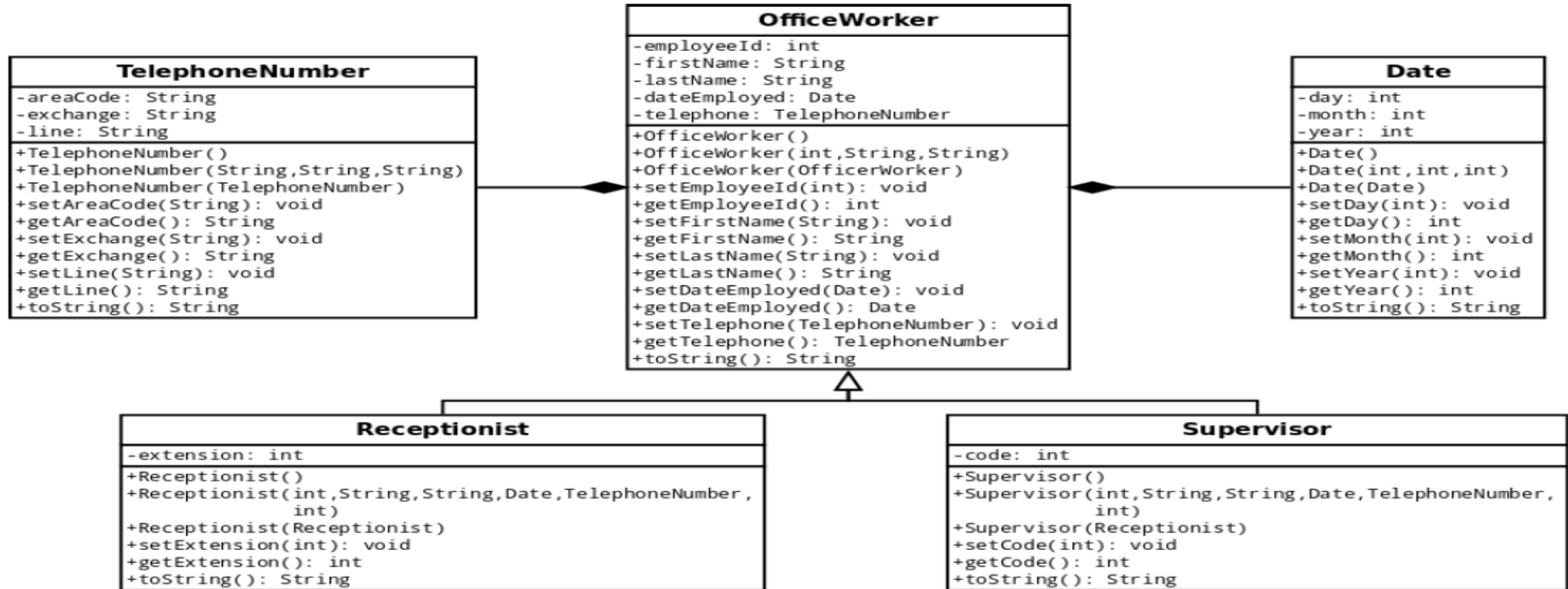
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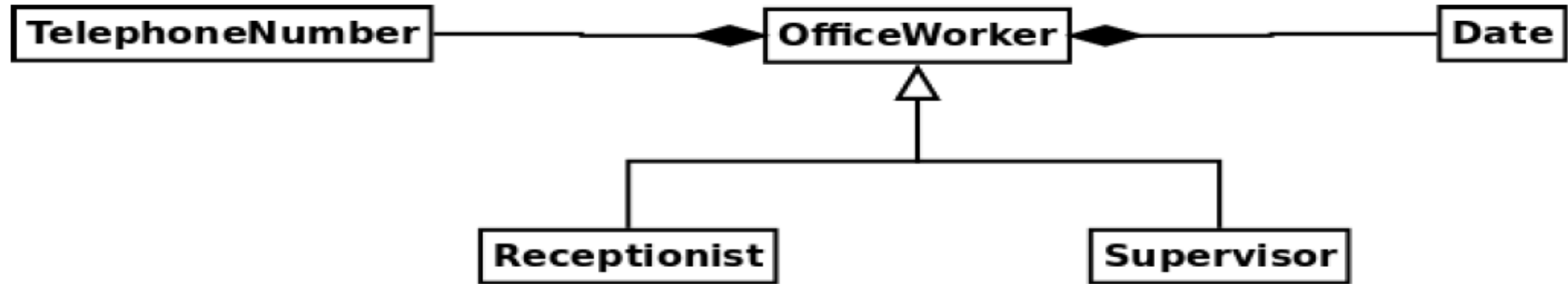
- **Supervisor:**
code.

Supervisor
-code: int
+Supervisor() +Supervisor(int,String,String,Date,TelephoneNumber, int) +Supervisor(Receptionist) +setCode(int): void +getCode(): int +toString(): String

Represent relationships among classes using a UML relationship diagram



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End of Lecture