

# CROSSWAY USER MANUAL

## 1. Introduction

### What is Crossway?

- Crossway is a 4GL built code analysis tool tailor-made for Progress OpenEdge applications. It helps users visualize and understand the technical and functional ripple effects of code changes. (TBA by Oana)

### Who Should Use It?

- Might want to use the website info as a basis and extend/detail it further

## 2. Installation & Setup Requirements

### Minimum System Specifications:

- Progress Openedge 12.8 installed (Developer Studio component included).
- Progress Openedge 12.8 compilable code base.

### Required Dependencies:

- [draw.io](#) executable or installed.
- Crossway executable or installed. need a link to the executable and to the installer.

### Installation Steps:

- Follow link to Plugin Installation PDF on [wayfare.ro/crossway](#).

### Permissions Required:

- Write privileges for output folder of Crossway artefacts (e.g., C:\CrosswayGen).

### Configuration:

- After the Crossway Plugin was successfully installed in Developer Studio, the next step is ensuring all Crossway settings are properly configured for the workspace.

- First an initialization needs to be performed on the projects you want to use Crossway for (need to show the menu option screenshot) - this initialization step makes copies of all resource files Crossway needs into a .crossway folder directly under the project's @ROOT path (screenshot)
- There are 2 separate configuration files located under the project's .crossway/config folder. These are the local repositories for the Crossway general configuration and UI configuration screens that can be accessed from the Crossway menu → ConfigPaths/Config draw.io.

## Config Paths

- Config Path window has multiple options for configuring all the paths necessary for Crossway to work properly.
- Below, the paths are configured for a project called IdeaPlatformBE which is an OERA OpenEdge Project that also contains unit tests.

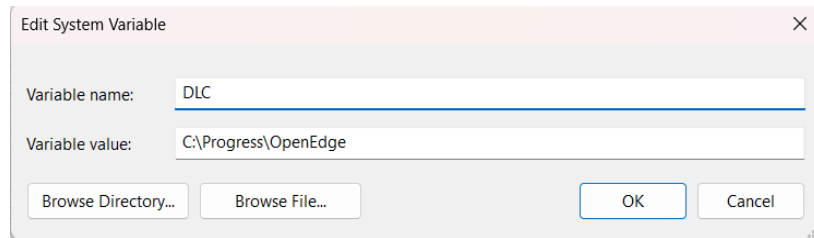
The screenshot shows the 'Config Paths' window with the following fields and values:

- RootPath: C:\Project\ideaplatformbe\
- CrosswayResourcePath: Crossway
- OutputPath: C:\CrosswayGen
- DrawIOExePath: C:\Program Files\draw.io\draw.io.exe
- CrosswayExePath: C:\Users\sorina.suciu\Downloads\CrosswayDiagramViewerSetup.e
- TechnicalImpactPath: main,tests,resources
- SourceFileExtensions: .ip,.cls,.w
- ExtendedPath: C:\Project\ideaplatformbe,C:\Project\ideaplatformbe\main\src,C:\Pr
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- WorkerThreads: 4
- DbConnectionFile: CrossWay\config\db\_connection.pf

A 'SAVE' button is located at the bottom of the window.

- Root Path:
  - Absolute path to the OpenEdge workspace or directly to the project root folder.
- Crossway Resource Path:

- Relative path to the Crossway folder. In this example, inside IdeaPlatformBE, there is a folder called Crossway.
- Output Path:
  - Absolute path to a folder where CrossWay files are generated. In this example the folder where Crossway will generate the output is called CrosswayGen.
  - *Note:* Make sure that you have permission to write files in the chosen folder.
- draw.ioExe Path:
  - Absolute path to the draw.io.exe file.
  - The draw.io.exe file can be downloaded and installed from [here](#).
- CrosswayExe Path:
  - Absolute path to the Crossway Diagram Viewer.
  - Crossway Diagram Viewer **se descarca de unde? vine odata cu pluginul?**
- Technical Impact Path:
  - A comma-separated list of workspace-relative folder paths of the files Crossway should process (e.g., src folders of multiple projects in the same workspace).
  - The project in this example contains a 'main' folder where all the methods are implemented, a 'tests' folder for the unit tests and a resource folder.
- Source File Extensions:
  - A list of all file extensions to consider when reading files from folders.
- Extended Path:
  - A comma-separated list of propath entries from current project settings that allow for all pieces of code from TechnicalImpactPath to compile.
  - In this example the ExtendedPath contains the following:  
C:\Project\ideapatformbe, C:\Project\ideapatformbe\main\src,  
C:\Project\ideapatformbe\tests, C:\Project\ideapatformbe\main,  
C:\Project\ideapatformbe\resources
- Propath:
  - The Propath needed for background progress sessions collecting the XREF information.
  - For the propath parameter to work, you must declare an environment variable called DLC with the value of the OpenEdge folder.
  - Click on Windows Key, search for 'environment variables', then click on Edit the system environment variables.
  - Go to 'Advanced' tab, press Environment Variables and add a new variable under the System Variables section providing the absolute path to the OpenEdge folder.

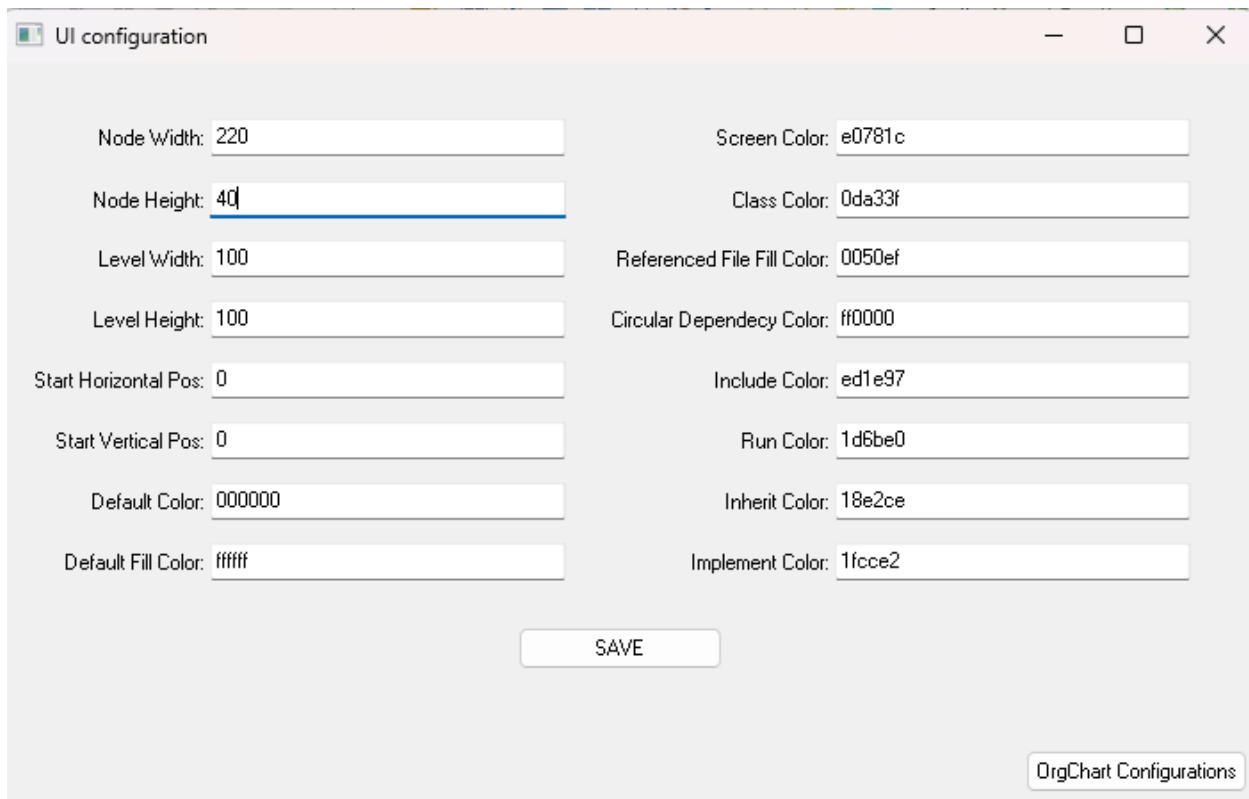


Dialog box titled "Edit System Variable". It contains two input fields: "Variable name:" with the value "DLC" and "Variable value:" with the value "C:\Progress\OpenEdge". Below the fields are three buttons: "Browse Directory...", "Browse File...", and "OK". A "Cancel" button is also present on the right side.

- WorkerThreads:
  - Number of background agents to use for collecting the XREF information.
- DbConnectionFile:
  - The relative path to the db\_connection.pf file inside the Crossway folder.

## Config draw.io

- This UI Configuration window provides multiple options to configure all the visuals for the draw.io diagram (dimensions, spacing, link colors, node background color, node border color depending on different cases and what the node or link represents).



UI configuration window with various settings for draw.io diagrams. The settings are organized into two columns:

Node Width: 220	Screen Color: e0781c
Node Height: 40	Class Color: 0da33f
Level Width: 100	Referenced File Fill Color: 0050ef
Level Height: 100	Circular Dependency Color: ff0000
Start Horizontal Pos: 0	Include Color: ed1e97
Start Vertical Pos: 0	Run Color: 1d6be0
Default Color: 000000	Inherit Color: 18e2ce
Default Fill Color: ffffff	Implement Color: 1fcce2

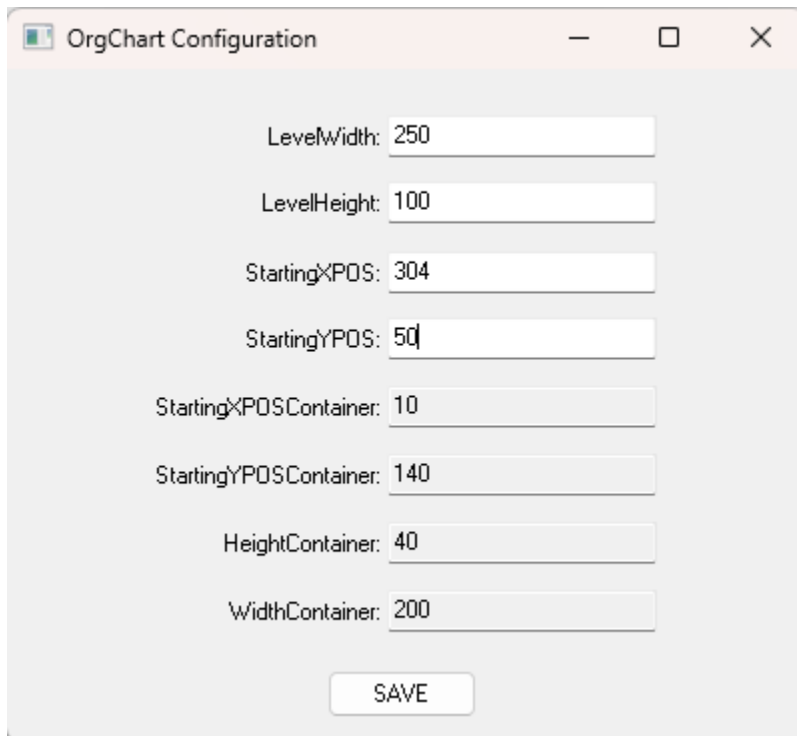
At the bottom center is a "SAVE" button. In the bottom right corner, there is a button labeled "OrgChart Configurations".

Property	Meaning
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Node Width	The node width.
Node Height	The node height.
Level Width	Horizontal distance between 2 nodes.
Level Height	Vertical distance between 2 nodes.
Start Horizontal Pos	Horizontal position of the first node of the diagram.
Start Vertical Pos	Vertical position of the first node of the diagram.
Default Color	Default color for nodes and links.
Default Fill Color	Default color for nodes.
Screen Color	Border color for nodes representing a .w file.
Class Color	Border color for nodes that represent a class and for corresponding links.
Referenced File Fill Color	Color for the referenced file node.
Circular Dependency Color	Link color between nodes that have a circular dependency.
Include Color	Border color for nodes that represent an include file and for corresponding links.
Run Color	Border color for nodes that represent a procedure and for corresponding links.
Inherit Color	Color for inherit links.
Implement Color	Color for implement links.

## Config OrgChartConfigurations

- Besides the usual configuration, the user can also set the OrgChart parameters for the container around the Inherits Diagram.
- It can be opened by clicking the 'OrgChart Configurations' button in the above UI Configuration screen.
- The last four parameters are not meant for the user to configure.



OrgChart Configuration

LevelWidth: 250

LevelHeight: 100

StartingXPOS: 304

StartingYPOS: 50

StartingXPOSContainer: 10

StartingYPOSContainer: 140

HeightContainer: 40

WidthContainer: 200

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Property	Meaning
Level Width	Horizontal distance between 2 nodes.
Level Height	Vertical distance between 2 nodes.
Starting XPOS (Start Horizontal Pos)	Horizontal position of the first node of the diagram.
Starting YPOS (Start Vertical Pos)	Vertical position of the first node of the diagram.
Starting XPOS Container	Horizontal start position of the container. Not configurable by the user.

Starting YPOS Container	Vertical start position of the container. Not configurable by the user.
Height Container	Container's height. Not configurable by the user.
Width Container	Container's width. Not configurable by the user.

### 3. Quick Startup

Important Note: before generating diagrams (except for the Database diagram), you need to run Clean XREF option. For running this option click on the project's root, go to Crossway and press Clean XREF.

#### Clean XREF

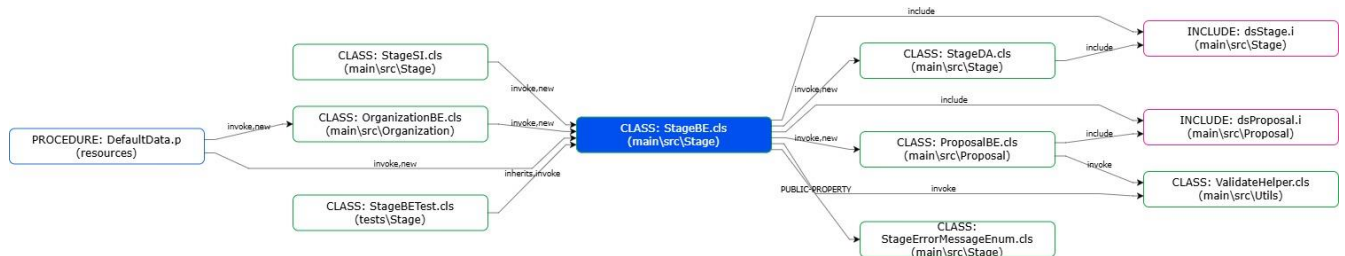
- In OpenEdge, XREF refers to a feature of the compiler that generates a file containing information about how source code elements (like procedures and classes) interact with database objects, indexes, and other program elements.
- XREF provides information about source code relationships, indexes, class and variable references.
- Clean XREF option regenerates the file each time it is pressed to match the current changes. Based on all the information collected by the Clean XREF option, diagrams can be generated.
- Select the project's root and go to Crossway → Clean XREF.
- After the XREF file is up to date, the next step is to right click on the project's root and go to Progress OpenEdge → Restart OpenEdge AVM.

### Generating a Diagram

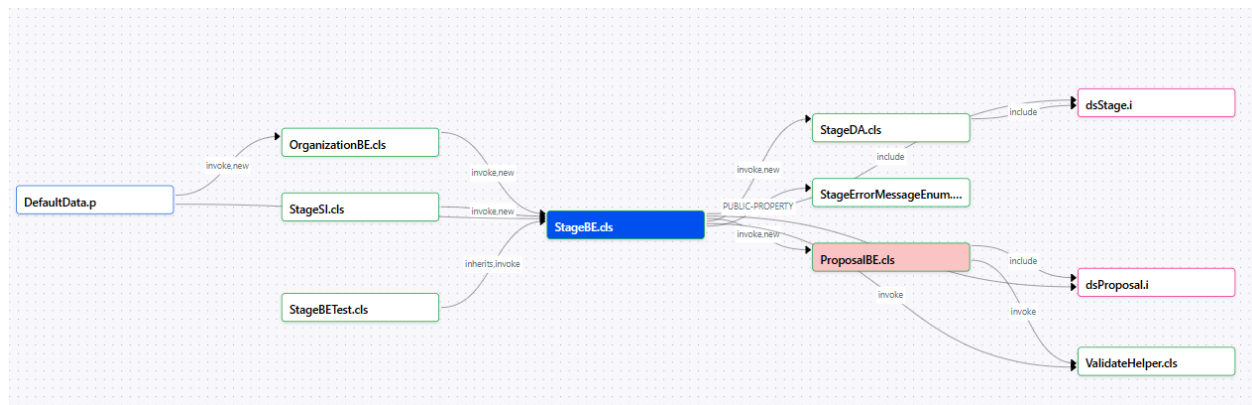
#### Impact Diagram

- The impact diagram shows the relationships and dependencies between classes, procedure, include files, etc.
- The impact diagram can be displayed by using both draw.io or Crossway Diagram Viewer.

- Go inside a class that you want to generate a diagram for, right click and press Crossway → **Generate 'Impact' Diagram/Generate Diagram**.
- A simple impact diagram for a class called StageBE is shown below.
  - draw.io Diagram:



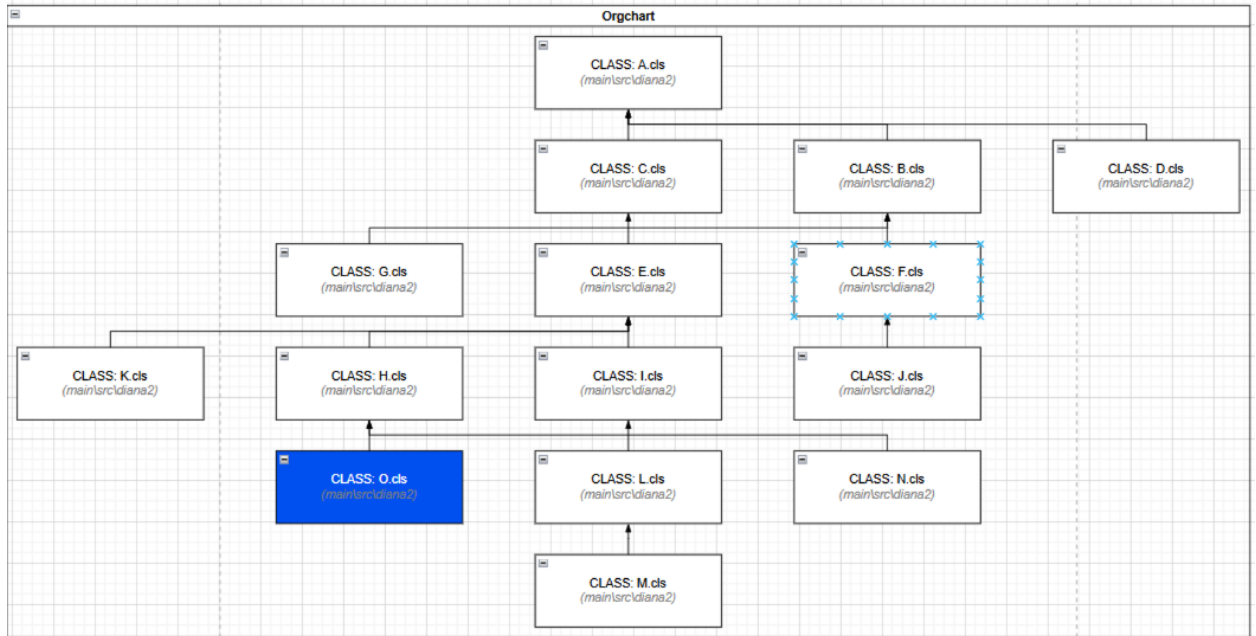
- Crossway Diagram Viewer:



## Inherits Diagram

- The inherits diagram shows the hierarchy of superclasses and subclasses.
- The inherits diagram can be displayed only by using draw.io.
- Go inside a class that you want to generate a diagram for, right click and press Crossway → Generate 'Inherits' Diagram.
- An example of an Inherits Diagram can be seen below.
- *Note:* Here the container from OrgChart Properties can be observed.





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## 4. Extensive Use Cases

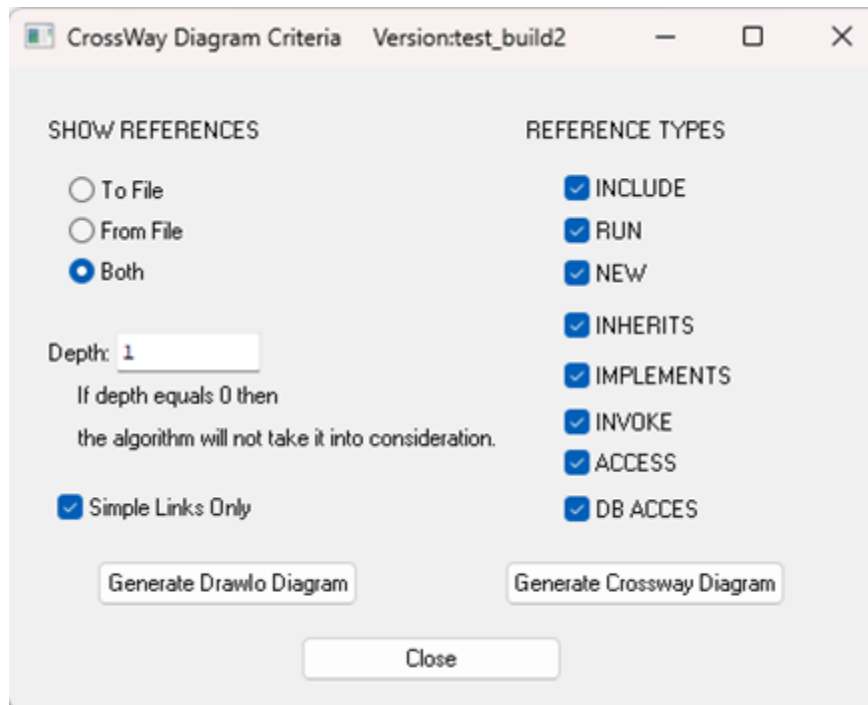
For now, by using Crossway you can generate three types of diagrams: Impact Diagram, Implements Diagram and Inherits Diagram. In the future, there will be possible to generate other diagrams such as Flow Diagram, Package Diagram or Database Relation Diagram.

### Impact Diagram

An impact diagram visually represents how changes in one area (the "from" node) can affect another (the "to" node) and it is often used to analyze relationships and dependencies in complex systems.

The impact diagram displays impact links and the corresponding nodes from one root element. For the purpose of this explanation, we will consider the referenced class (root node) to be a class named StageBE.cls. The diagrams will be generated using both draw.io and Crossway Diagram Viewer.

After pressing the Generate Impact Diagram button, the following screen will pop up. Here you can configure the way the diagram is generated and which dependencies should be displayed.



## Buttons

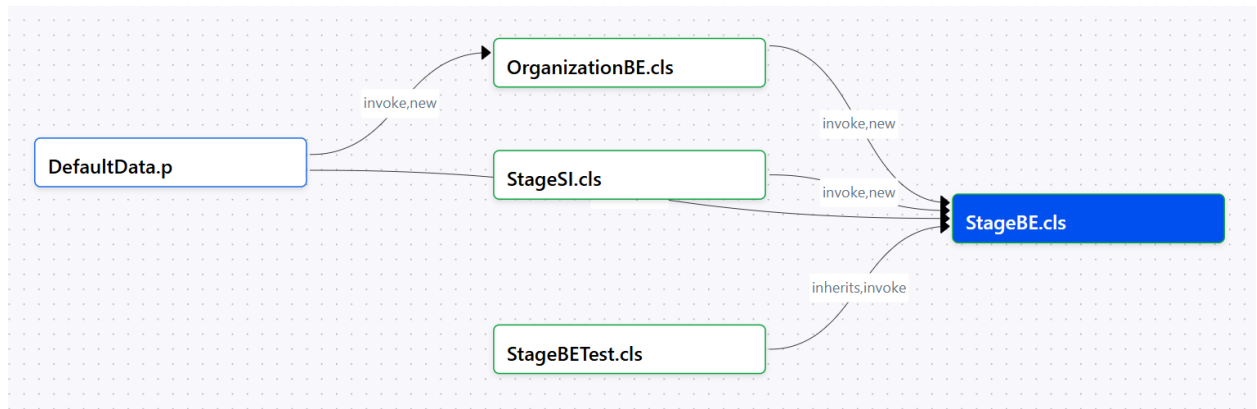
- ✧ Generate draw.io Diagram
  - ✧ Generates the impact diagram using draw.io tool.
- ✧ Generate Crossway Diagram
  - ✧ Generates the impact diagram using Crossway Diagram Viewer tool.
  - ✧ Note: The button will open Crossway Diagram Viewer. From here, to see the diagram, you have to click on 'Add new' button → Upload from device → go inside CrosswayGen folder → drag and drop the desired file. In this case, the file will be called StageBE.cls.json.

## Show References

- ✧ To file
  - ✧ Performs a backward traversal from the root node, generating an impact diagram that includes all predecessor nodes (i.e., nodes that have a directed path leading to the root node).
  - ✧ A simple example for StageBE.cls where StageBE.cls is the root node and the 'To' option is checked.
  - ✧ draw.io Diagram:

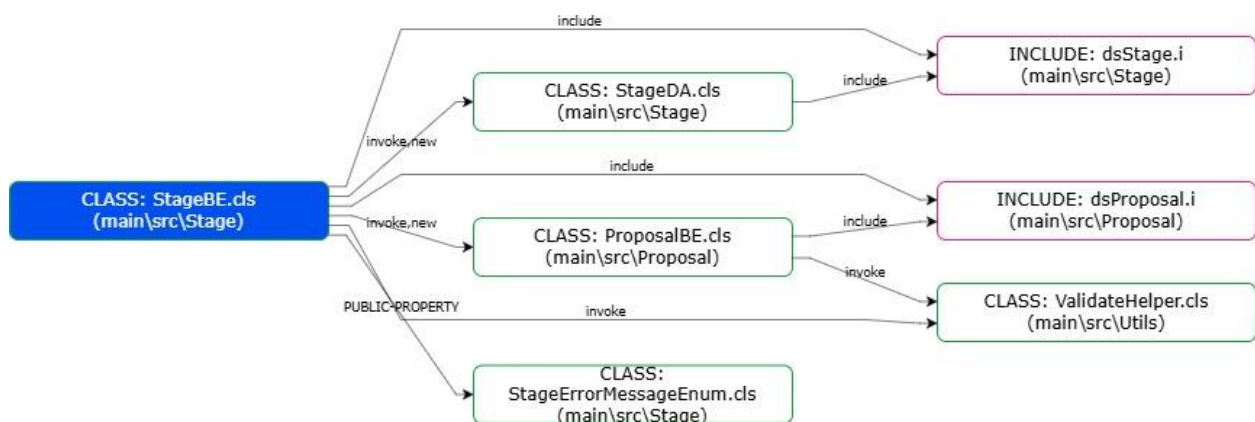


✗ Crossway Diagram Viewer:

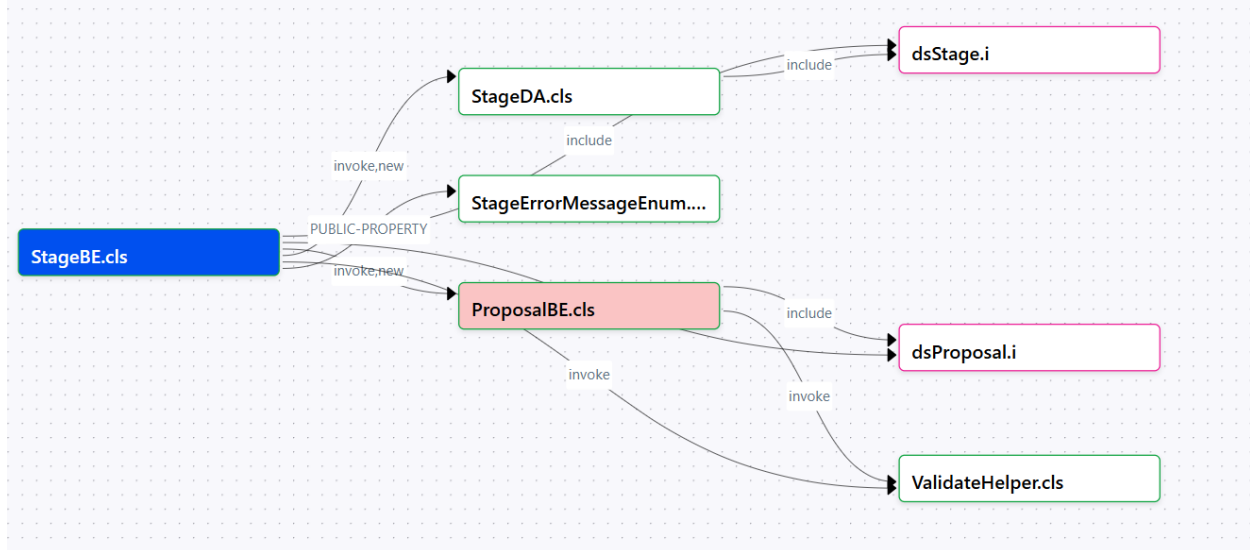


✗ From file

- ✗ Performs a forward traversal from the root node, generating an impact diagram that includes all successor nodes (i.e., nodes that are reachable from the root node via directed paths).
- ✗ A simple example for StageBE.cls where StageBE.cls is the root node and the 'From' option is checked.
- ✗ draw.io Diagram:



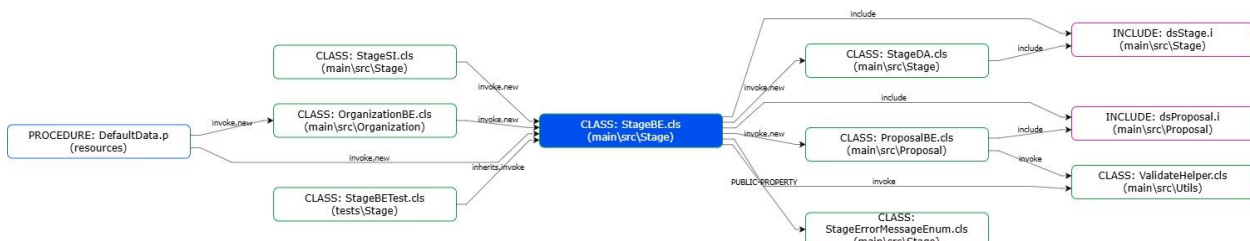
✗ Crossway Diagram Viewer:



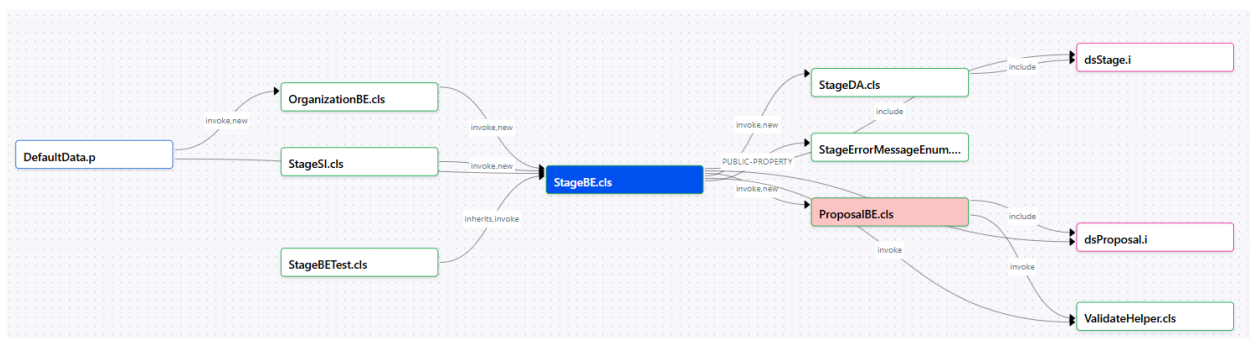
⌘ Both

⌘ Performs both a forward and backward transversal from the root node generating an impact diagram that contains all predecessors and all successors of the root node. (i.e., nodes that have a directed path leading to the root node and nodes that are reachable from the root node via directed paths).

⌘ draw.io Diagram:

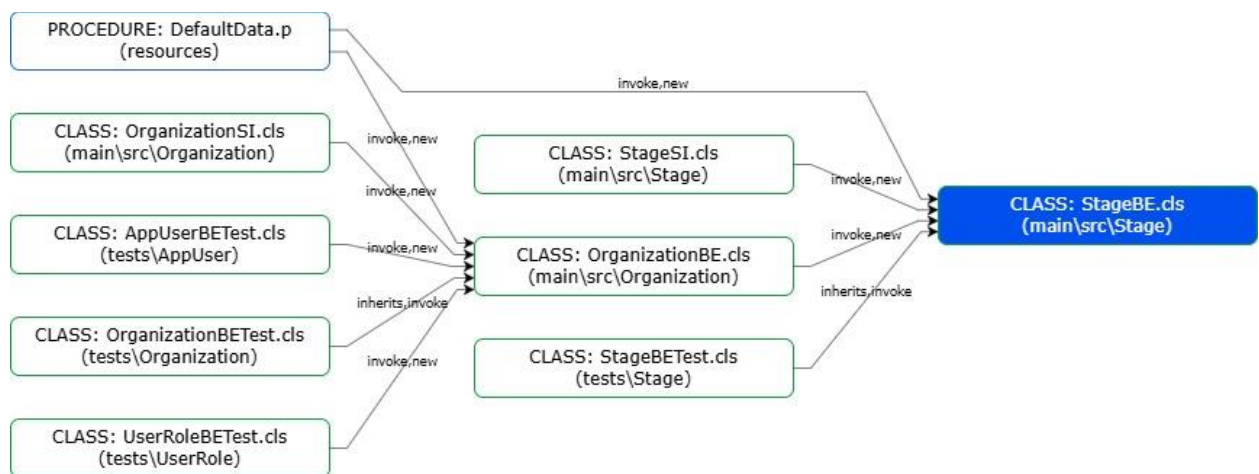


⌘ Crossway Diagram Viewer:

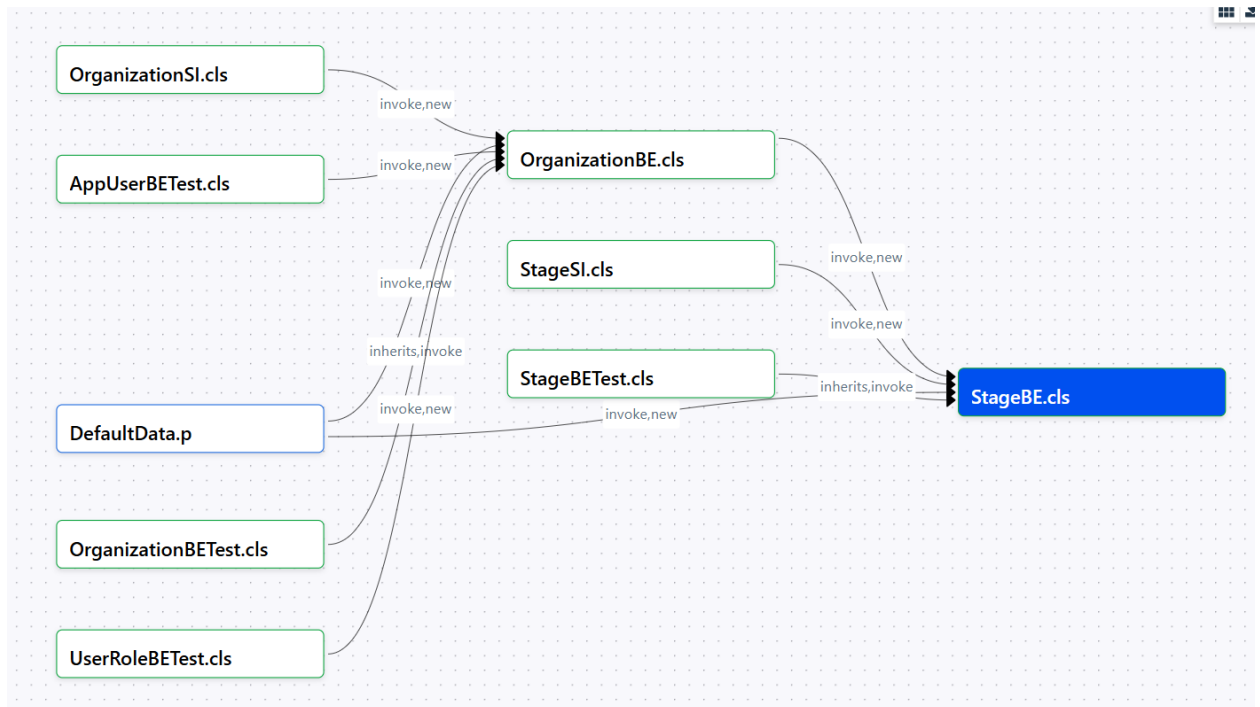


⌘ Depth

- ⚡ Refers to the distance, in number of links, between a node and the referenced node based on the direction ('to' or 'from').
- ⚡ For example, every node that is connected to the root node via one link, no matter the chosen direction, will have a depth equal to 1 (all the nodes in the image above). Nodes that are connected via 2 links to the main node will have a depth equal to 2. An example for depth equals to 2 and 'To File' can be seen below.
- ⚡ If the depth is equal to zero, then the diagram will display all the levels that exist.
- ⚡ draw.io Diagram:



- ⚡ Crossway Diagram Viewer:



- ⌘ Between DefaultData.p and StageBE.cls there is a direct link which means the depth is 1.
- ⌘ Between AppUserBETest.cls StageBE.cls there are 2 links meaning the depth is 2 (AppUserBETest.cls → OrganizationBE.cls → StageBE.cls).
- ⌘ Simple Links Only
  - ⌘ Each link displays the relationships between the two nodes it connects (invoke, new, inherits, etc.).
  - ⌘ If Simple Links is checked it means that the links inside the diagram will include every relationship on just one line (as seen in the diagram examples above).
  - ⌘ If Simple Links is unchecked, it means that each relationship will have its own link.
  - ⌘ draw.io Diagram:

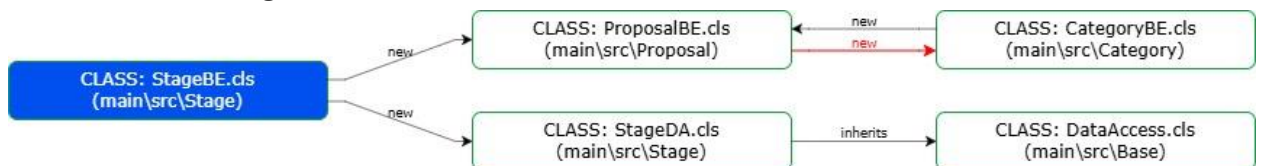


☞ Crossway Diagram Viewer: **se aplica si pentru el? Ca pare ca nu**

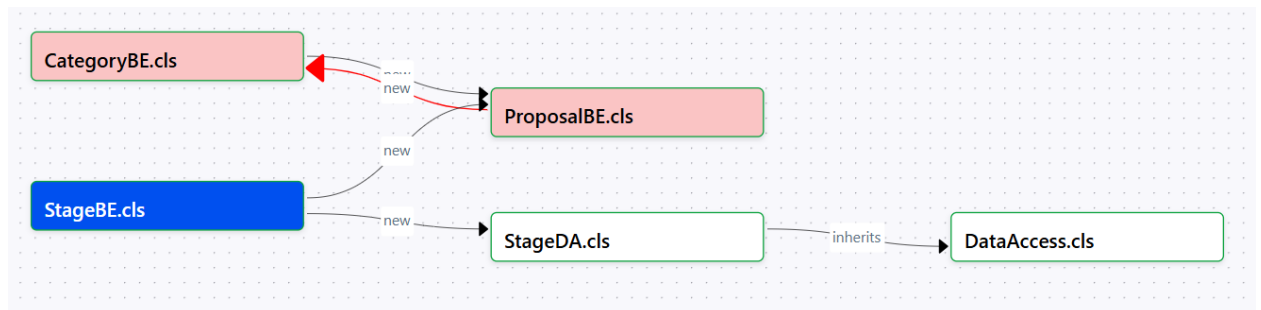
## Reference Types

- ☞ Reference types refer to the relationship types that can exist between two nodes. A class or procedure can include a dataset for example, or can run an external procedure, it can create new instances of another class, or it can inherit another class, etc.
- ☞ If the user wants to focus on just some features that can be displayed in the diagram, the unnecessary features can be unchecked. The diagram will display only the links and corresponding nodes that met the checked condition.
- ☞ For example, if we select just 'New' and 'Inherits' options for a diagram 'From File' with depth equal to two, the final result will look like this:

- draw.io Diagram:

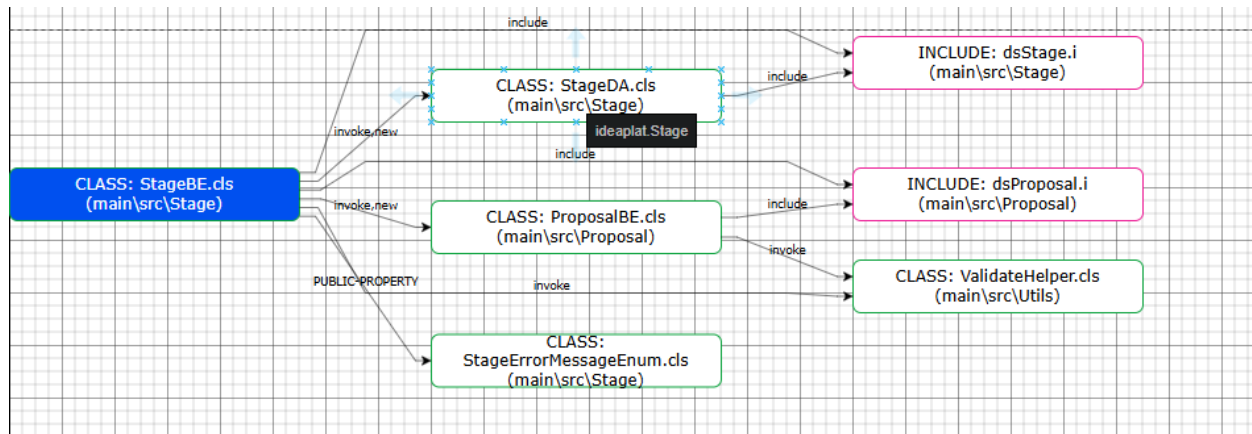


- Crossway Diagram Viewer:



- ☞ DB Access reference type will provide the database and table (database.table) that the class is referencing. For seeing the database references, you can hover over the node and all the databases and table used will be displayed.

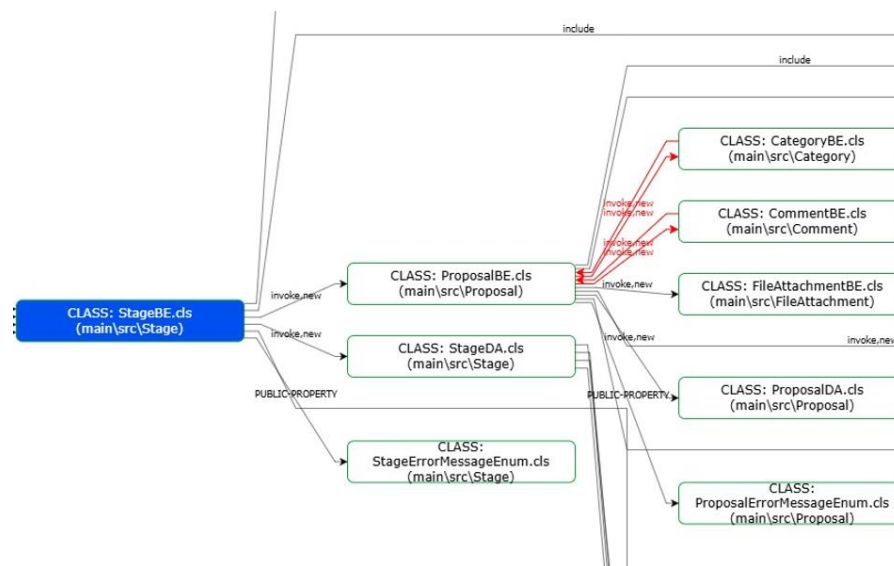
- draw.io Diagram:



- Crossway Diagram Viewer: **se aplica? Pare ca nu**

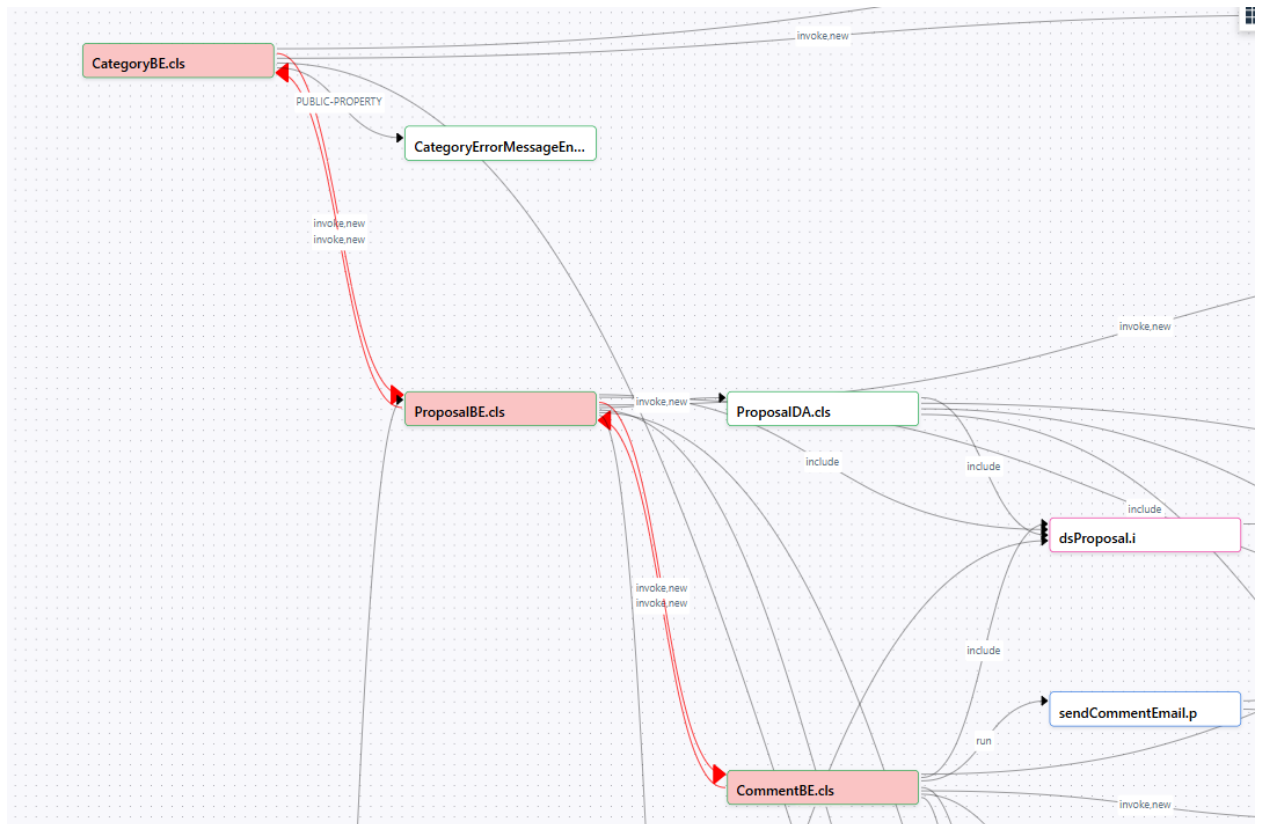
### Circular Dependencies

- A circular dependency is represented by two red arrows and it means that the classes reference each other.
- In the above example, circular dependencies can be seen between ProposalBE and CategoryBE and also between ProposalBE and CommentBE.
  - draw.io Diagram:

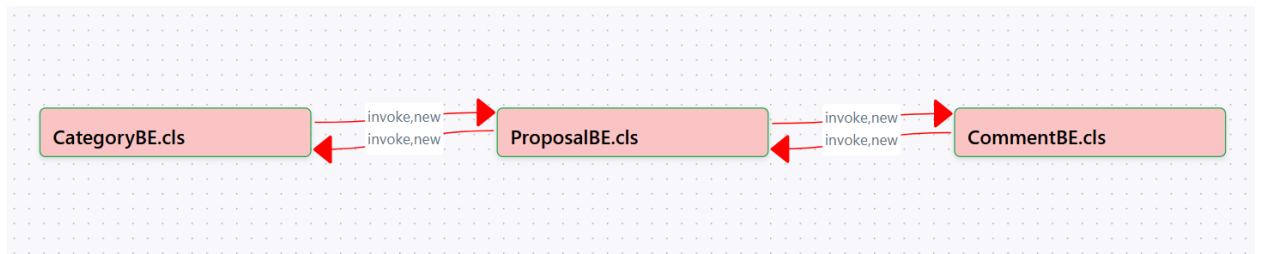


- CrosswayDiagramViewer:





- Crossway Diagram Viewer provides an option to display just the circular dependencies:



## Implements Diagram

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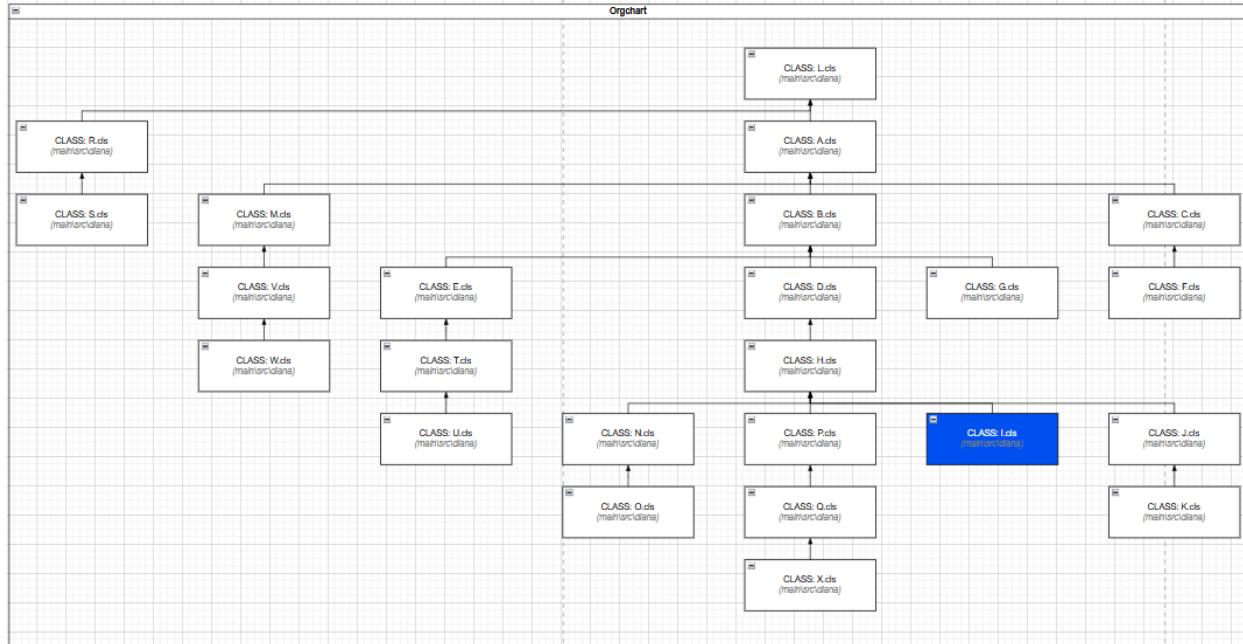
## Inherits Diagram

An inheritance diagram visually represents the hierarchical relationships between classes in object-oriented programming. It shows how classes derive attributes and behaviors

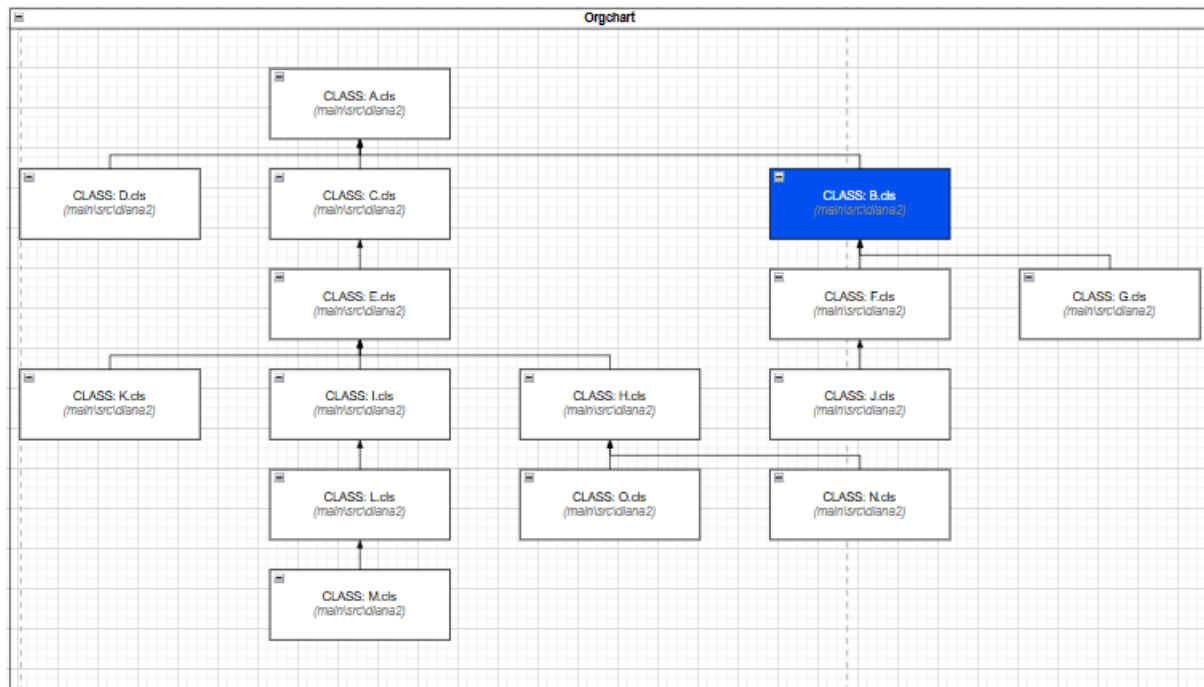
from one another, illustrating the flow of properties and methods from parent (super) classes to child (sub) classes.

After pressing the Generate 'Inherits' Diagram button, draw.io will open and display the diagram. For the purpose of presenting this diagram type, we will use a custom project with multiple classes that include inheritance.

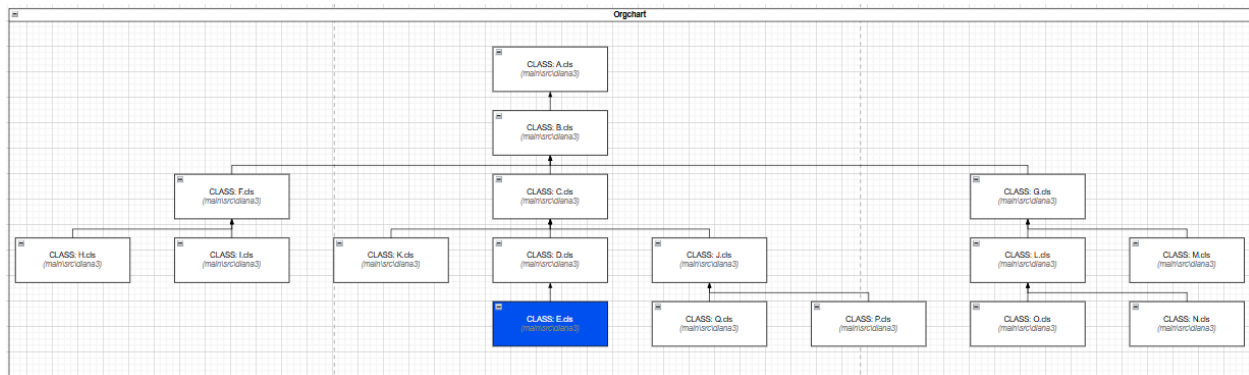
Example 1:



Example 2:



Example 3:



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## 5. Best Practices

- Whenever multiple changes occur over several files, it is not always necessary to generate the diagram for each file for the changes to be taken into consideration. Instead, use right click → Crossway → Refresh XREF option on the ones which don't need a diagram to be generated for, and only use generate diagram options on the ones that it is needed for.

- For the Impact Diagram using draw.io there is support for automatic arrangement of nodes within the diagram: draw.io → Layout → Arrange → Horizontal Flow.
- **Add more Useful notes/hints for the user**

## 6. Troubleshooting & FAQ

### Common errors and how to resolve them

- Why is my diagram empty?
  - ???
- Missing table relationship?
  - ???

## 7. Contact & Feedback

- Company contact info (TBA by Oana)
- Suggestions and feature request form