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Advanced Elements of the UML

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Main UML diagram type:

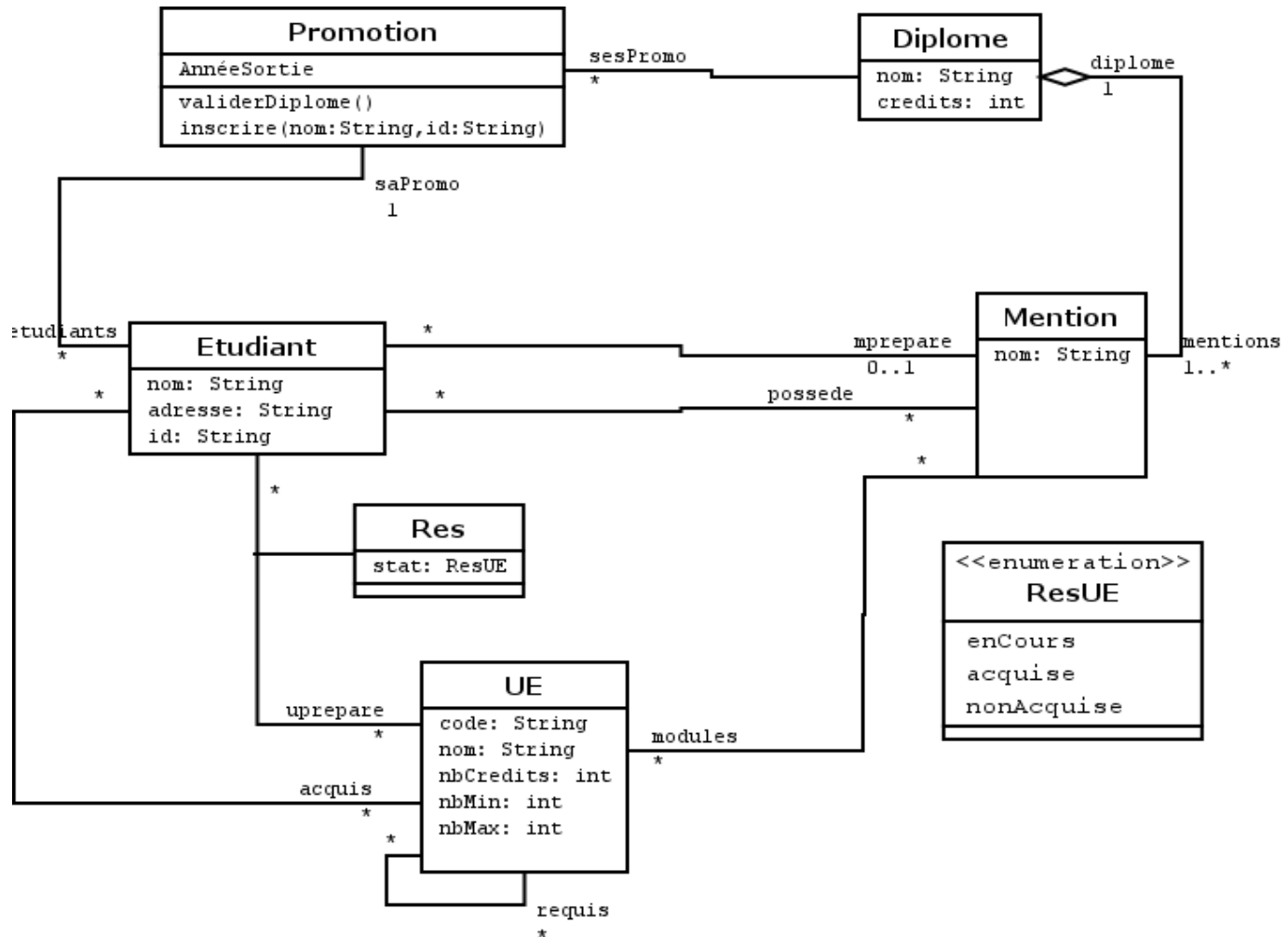
❑ **Class Diagrams** („Diagrammes de classes“):

the static **structure** of the DATA of the system

- the classes of interest to be represented in the system
- the relations between classes
- the attributes and the methods
- the types, required/defined interfaces ...

can be used for top-level views as specific interfaces
for local code ...

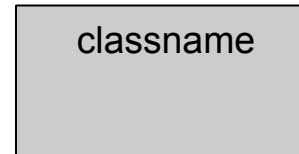
Example: A Class Diagram



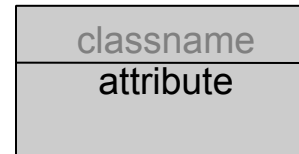
A propos Class Diagrams (1)

□ Model-Elements

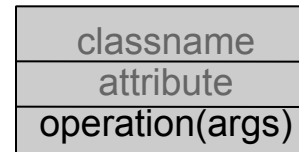
➤ Class



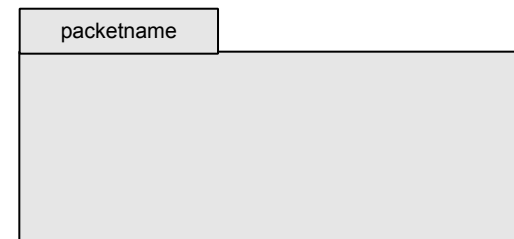
➤ Attributes



➤ Operations
(methods)



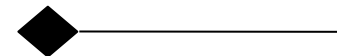
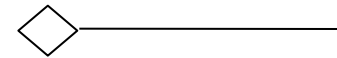
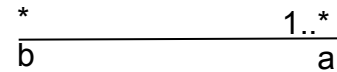
➤ Packages
(grouping mechanism
for parts of a class model)



A propos Class Diagrams (2)

□ Model-Elements

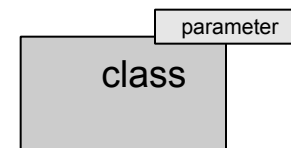
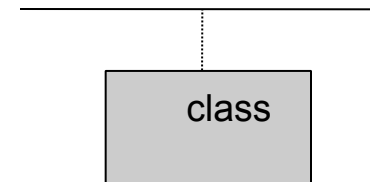
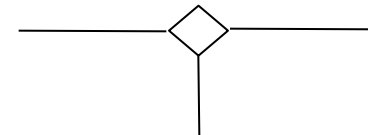
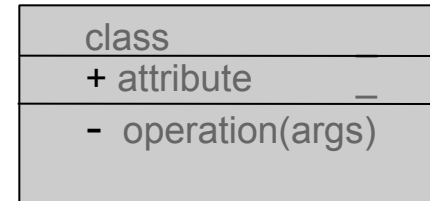
- Association
(with **optional** roles
cardinalities)
- Aggregation
(« has a » relationship
with weak linkage)
- Composition
(« has a » relationship
with strong linkage)
- Specialisation
(modelling of a „is-a“
relationship between classes)



A propos Class Diagrams (3)

□ Model-Elements

- Visibilities
(**optional** public
and private, see more later)
- N-ary associations
- Association Class
(more complex constraints on relations)
- templates with parameter
(usually classes like "Set(A)")



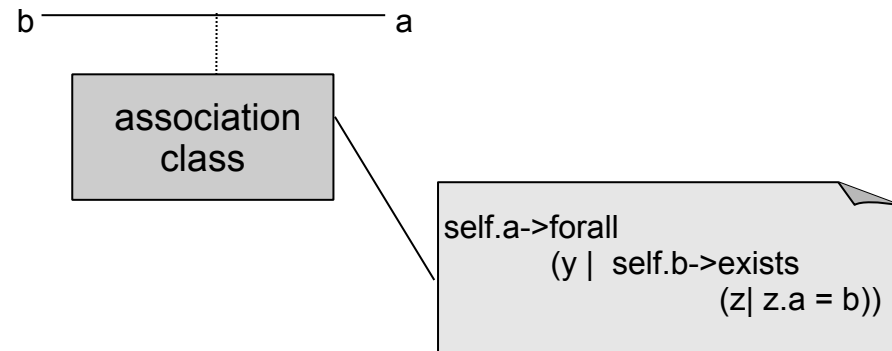
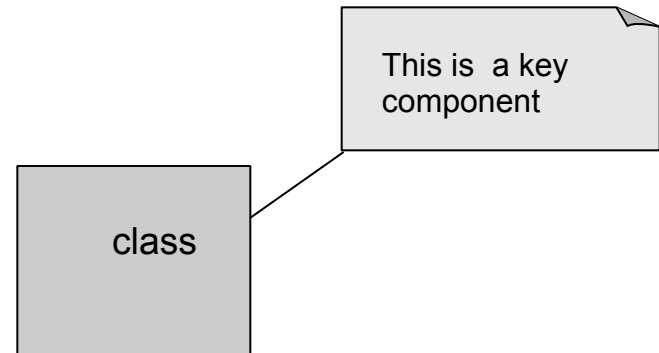
A propos Class Diagrams (4)

□ Model-Elements

➤ Annotations

➤ ... typically on classes
and individual operations

➤ ... can be informal text as
well as a mathematical notation
like OCL (we will use our own notation)



A propos Class Diagrams (1)

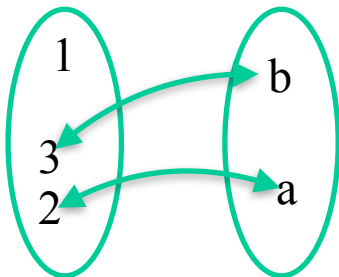
- Semantics: Classes are:
 - types of objects
 - tuples of „attributes“
 - **associations** represent (math.) relations of objects
 - **aggregations** represent (Collections of) of references to other objects
 - objects may be linked via **references** to each other into a state called „object graph“
 - cardinalities, etc. are INVARIANTS in this state, so constraints on the object graph

Recall: What is a Relation in Mathematics

- Formally, a "relation" R is a set of pairs built over two sets A and B , so a subset of the Cartesian Product of A and B :

$$R \subseteq A \times B$$

- Example: $A=\{1,2,3\}$, $B=\{a,b\}$:



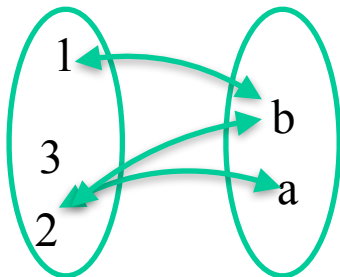
$$r = \{(2,a),(3,b)\}$$

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$$r' = \{(2,a), (2,b), (1,b)\}$$

A propos Class Diagrams (2)

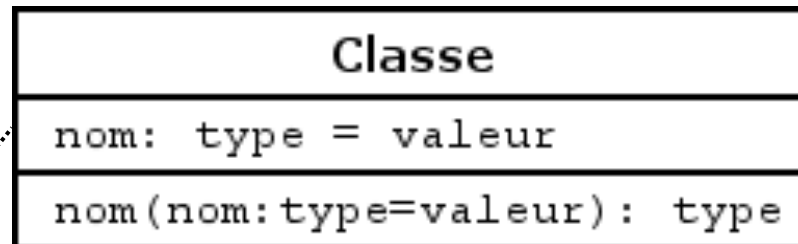
□ Attributes

- can have simple type (Integer, Boolean, String, Real) or primitive type (see Date example) only !
- in diagrams, attributes may NOT have collection type (use therefore **associations**)
- In a requirement analysis model, everything is **public** by default

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Visibilities:

+ : public
- : private
: protected
/ : derived



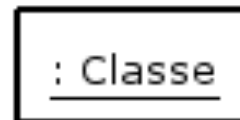
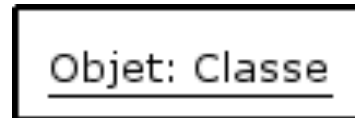
Modifiers:

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abstract

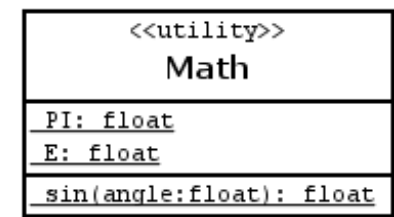
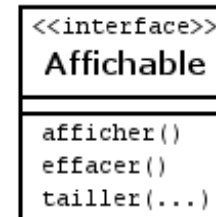
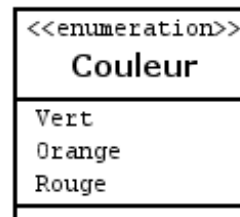
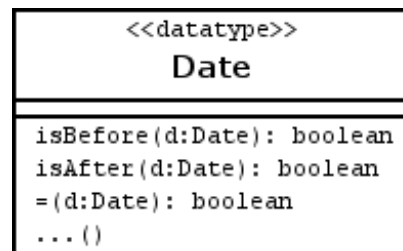
Parameter modes:

in (par défaut)
out
in out

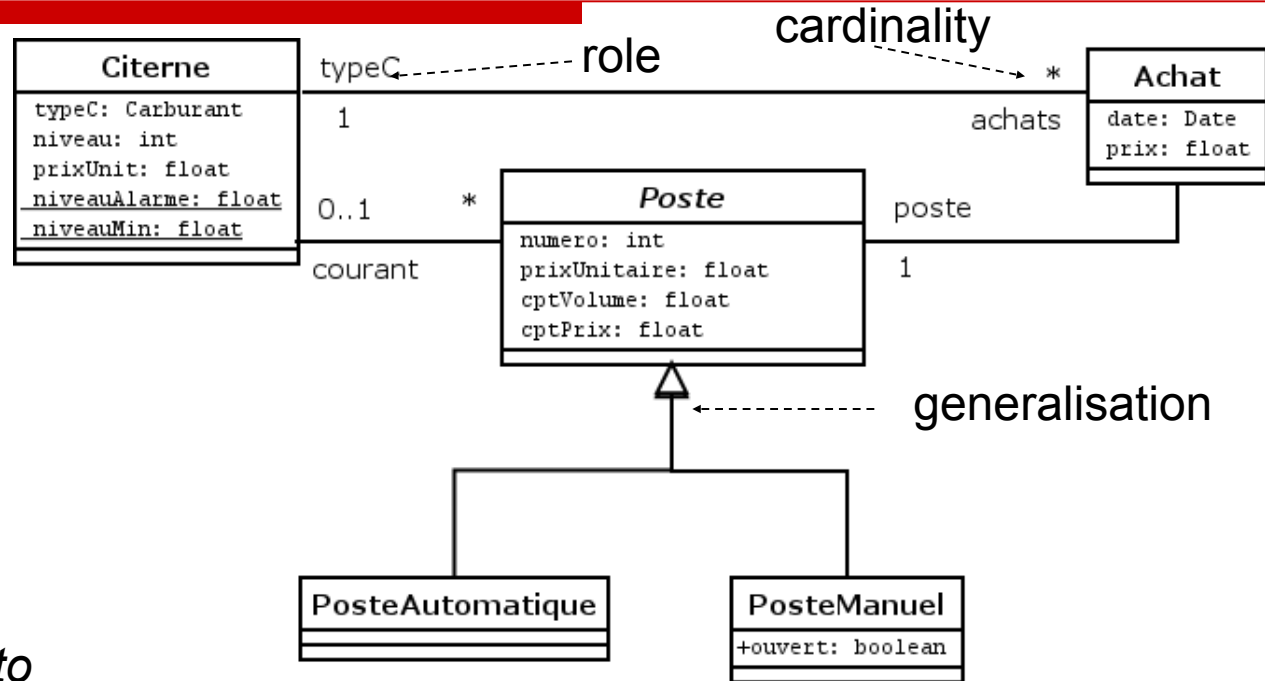
Instances:



Stéréotypes:



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The roles were used to navigate across associations

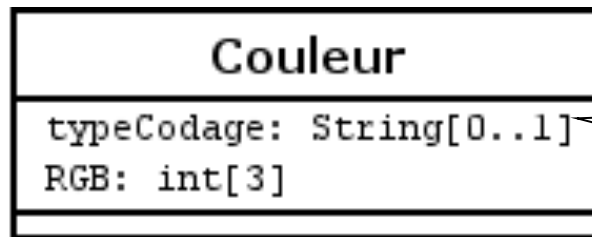
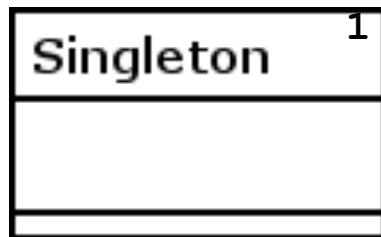
for `a:Achat`, the expression `a.poste` denotes an instance of `Poste`.
for `c:Citerne`, the expression `c.achats` denotes an instance of `Achat`
for `p:Poste`, the expression `p.courant` corresponds to a collection of 0 or 1 instances of `Citerne`.

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Cardinalities in associations can be:

- 1, 2, or an integral number (no expression !)
- * (for « arbitrary », ...)
- an interval like 1..*, 0..1, 1..3, (**not** like 1..N)

Multiplicities on attributes and classes can be:

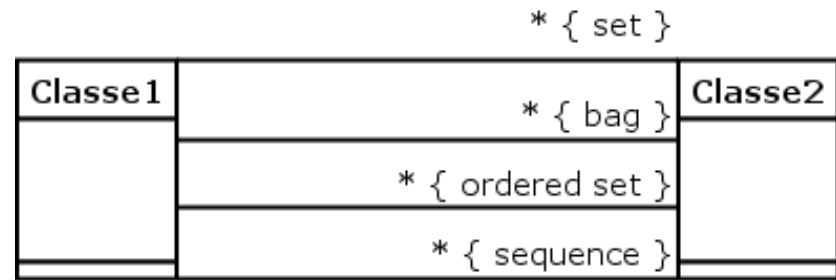
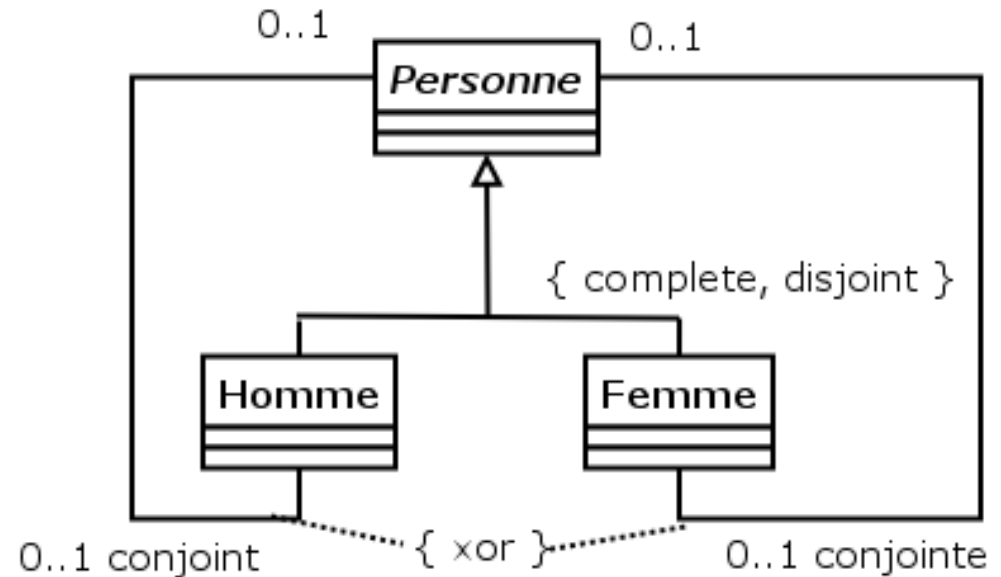


*0 or 1 String,
not string of
length 0 or 1 !!!*

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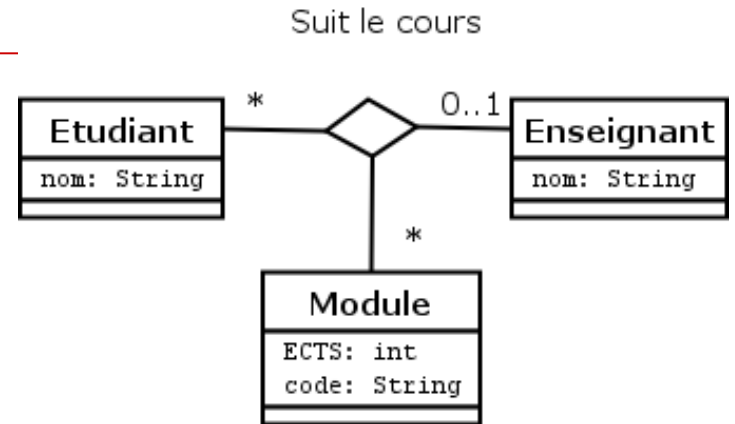
Constraints on associations

- For generalisation:
 - complete, incomplete
 - disjoint, overlapping
- Between associations
 - xor
- Collection Types may now also be specified !!!
 - no duplicates, unordered
 - duplicates, unordered
 - no duplicates, ordered
 - duplicates, positioned

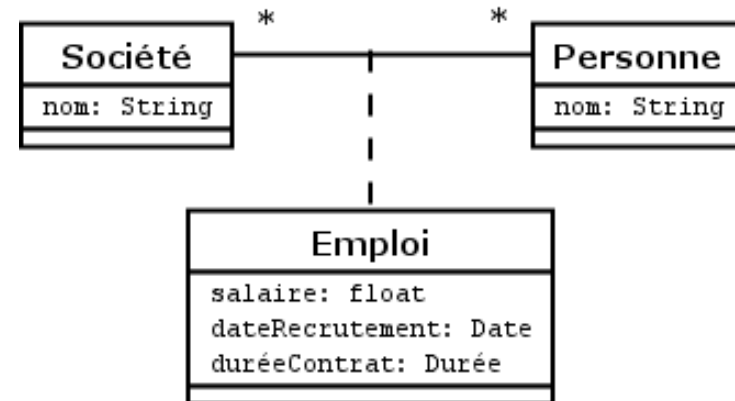
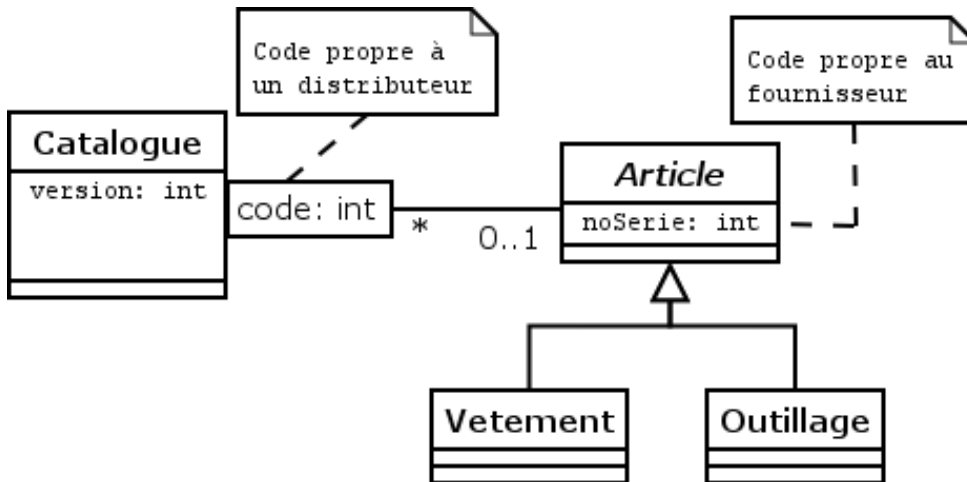


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N-ary Associations

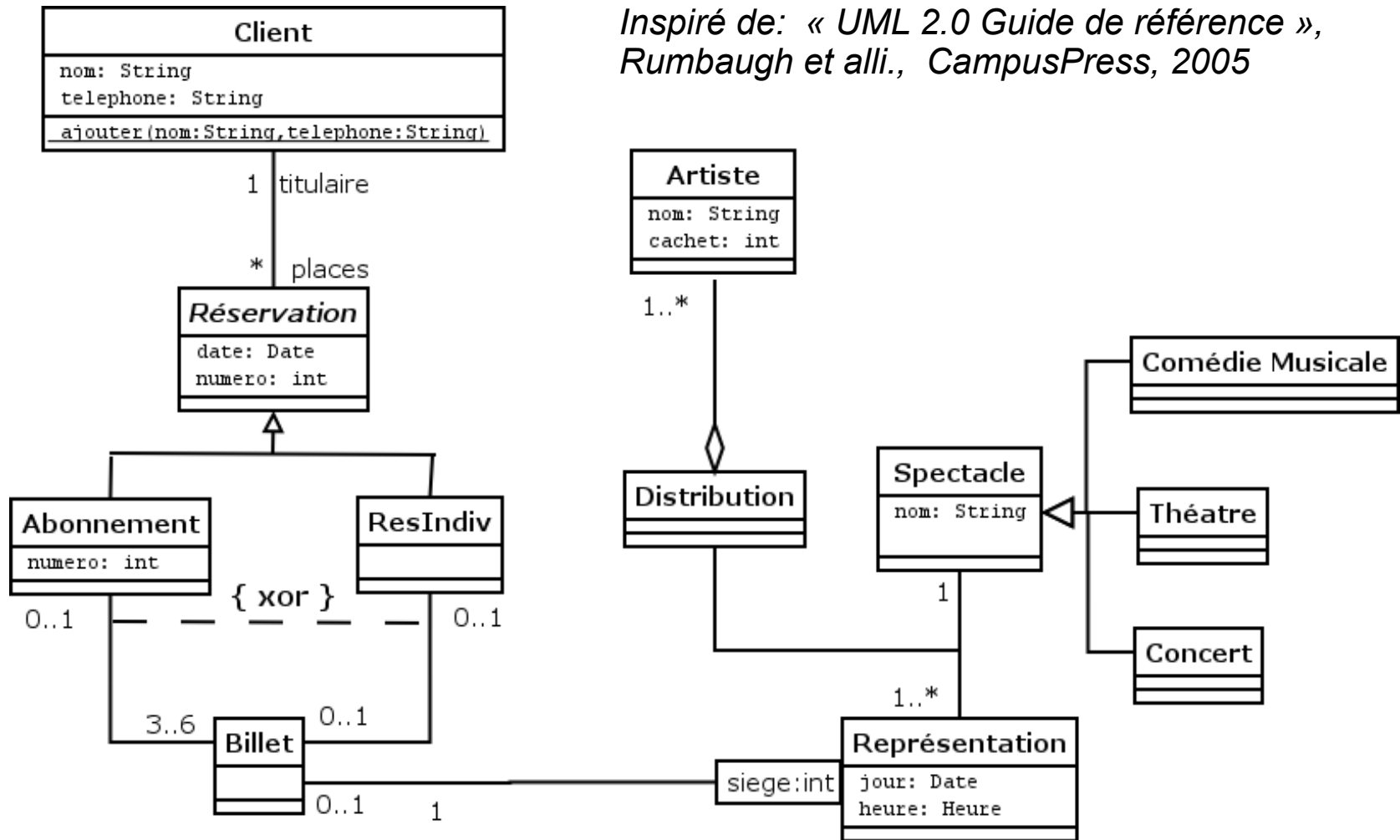


Association with attributes



Putting all together ...

Inspiré de: « UML 2.0 Guide de référence »,
Rumbaugh et alli., CampusPress, 2005



Principal UML diagram types (5)

- ❑ **Object Graphs or “Object Model”** („Diagrammes d'objects") :

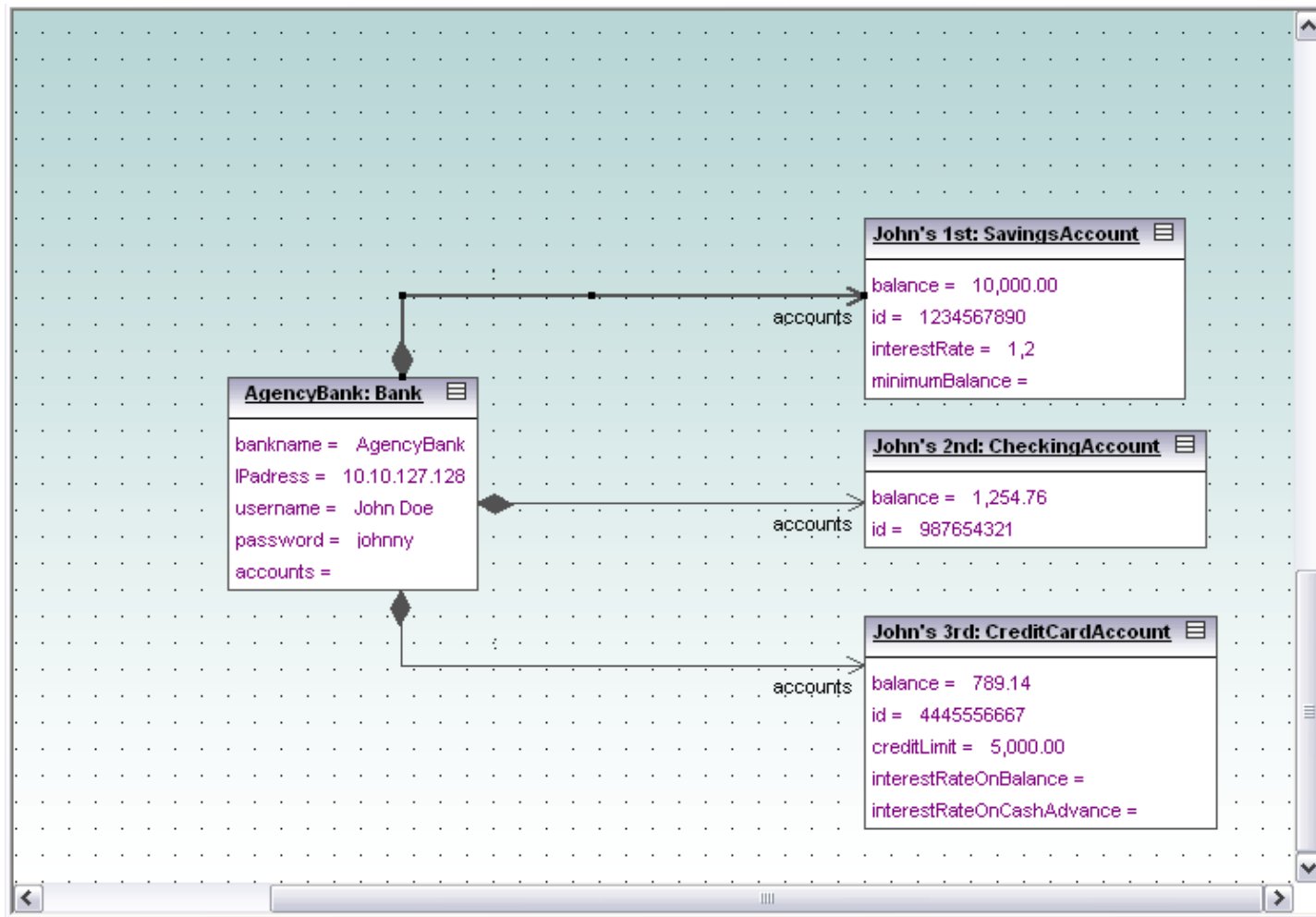
denote a concrete system state,

- ❑ typically used in connection with a Class Diagram

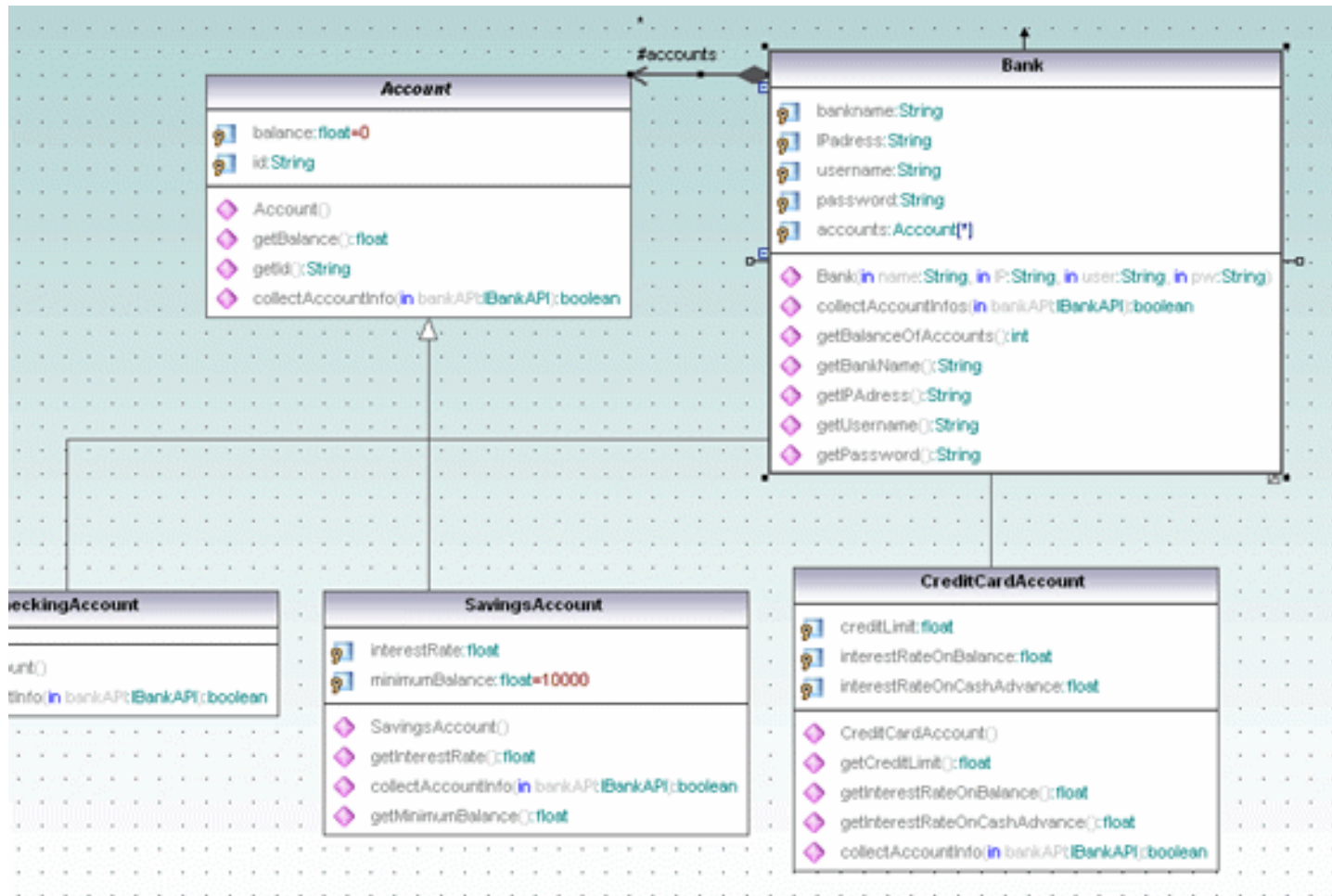
- attributes have concrete values
- associations were replaced by directed arcs representing the links

can be used for debugging purposes ...
(semantics: fully clear).

Example Object Diagram



Example Object Diagram



Summary: Class and Object Diagrams

- ❑ Class Diagrams represent an abstract data-model of a system. The UML allows to sufficient precision such that they can be compiled to, for example, Java Interfaces.
- ❑ Class Diagrams allow to SPECIFY certain aspects of a data-model, for example the relation of objects in a state
- ❑ Object Models denote a concrete State of a Class Model
- ❑ Multiplicities and Cardinalities express INVARIANTS on (valid) Object Models to a given Class Model - with this respect, serves as Specification of States.