

# Software Engineering I (02161)

## Week 3: Implementing Class Diagrams

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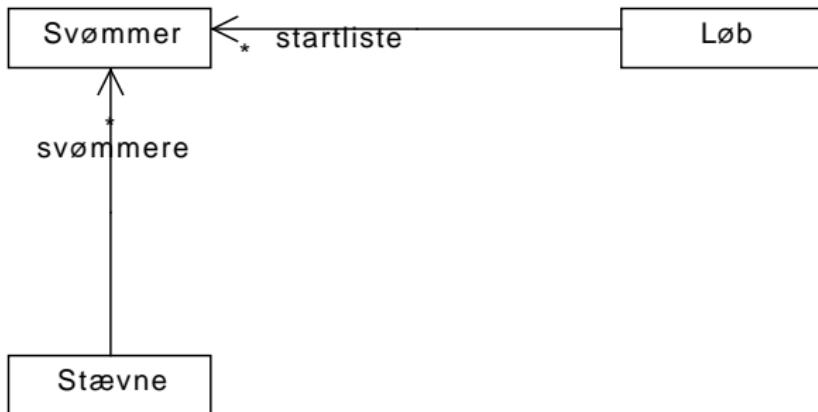
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# Recap

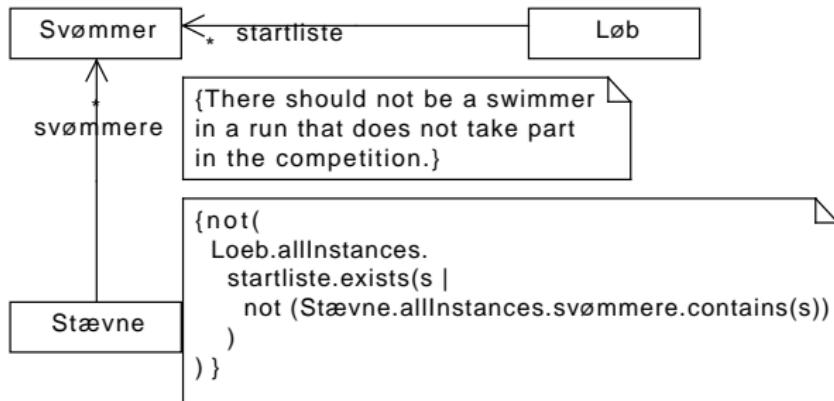
- From Requirements to Design
- Introduction to Class Diagrams
  - Classes
    - Attributes
    - Operations
  - Associations
    - uni- / bi-directional
    - aggregation and composition

# Exercise 2



- How to express the constraint
  - There should not be a swimmer in a run that does not take part in the competition
- Note: It is not possible, in general, to express all constraints in a class diagram  
→ Use of notes to explicitly state the constraints

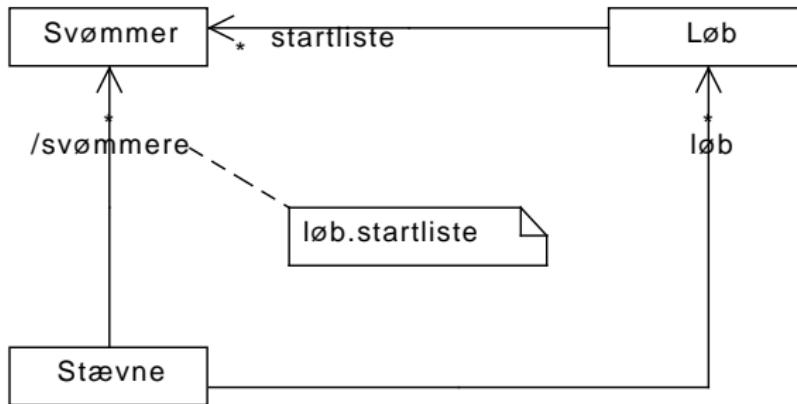
# Notes in UML diagrams



- Notes can be added to state the constraint
  - Informal: plain text describing the constraint
  - Formal: Using, e.g., OCL constraints (OCL = Object Constraint Language)
    - OCL is the **default** formal language for the UML

# Derived Associations/Attributes

- Actually the diagram is missing an **association** from a competition to all the runs in a competition



- Svømmere** is **derived** as it represents all swimmers that take part in a run in a competition
- Derivation is marked with a **/** together with a **constraint** telling **how** the attribute/association is derived

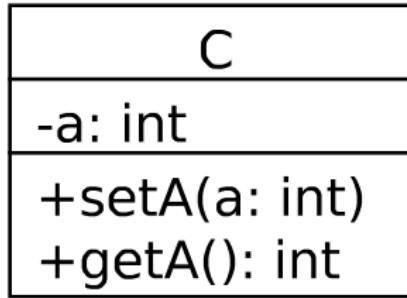
# Class Diagrams and Program Code

- Class Diagrams were invented as a means to **graphically** show **object-oriented** programs
  - As a consequence: Class Diagrams allow one to model all the **structural** features of a Java class
    - e.g. classes, (static) methods, (static) fields, inheritance, ...
  - However class diagrams are **more abstract** than programs
    - Concepts of **associations**, aggregation/composition, ...
- **Modelling** with class diagrams is more **expressive** and **abstract** than programming in Java
- It is important to learn who these **abstract, object-oriented concepts** embodied in **class diagrams** are implemented in **Java programs**
- Improves your object-oriented **design skills**

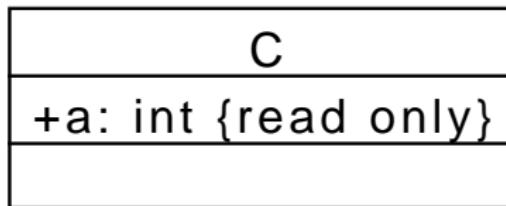
# Example

What is the class diagram for the following program?

```
public class C {  
    private int a;  
    public int getA() { return a; }  
    public void setA(int a) { this.a = a; }  
}
```



# Class With Read-Only Attributes I



- Alternative 1: No setter method; value is set on construction time

```
public class C {  
    private int a;  
    public int getA() { return a; }  
    public C(int a) { this.a = a; }  
}
```

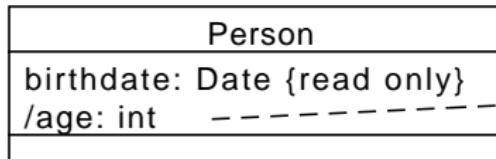
# Class With Read-Only Attributes II

C
+a: int {read only}

- Alternative 2: No setter method; value is computed on demand:

```
public class C {  
    private int a;  
    public int getA() {  
        if (a == null) {  
            a = computeA();  
        }  
        return a;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

# Class With Derived Attributes



{Difference  
between todays year  
and the year of the birthdate}

```
public class Person {  
    private Date birthdate;  
    public Person(Date birthdate) {  
        this.birthdate = birthdate;  
    }  
    public Date getBirthdate() { return birthdate; }  
    public int getAge() {  
        return new Date().getYear() - birthdate.getYear();  
    }  
}
```

# General correspondence between Classes and Programs

**'-' : private**  
**'+' : public**  
**'#' : protected**

KlasseNavn
+navn1: String = "abc"
-navn2: int
#navn3: boolean
-f1(a1:int,a2:String []): float
+f2(x1:String,x2:boolean): void
#f3(a:double): String

**Klassens navn**

**Attributter**

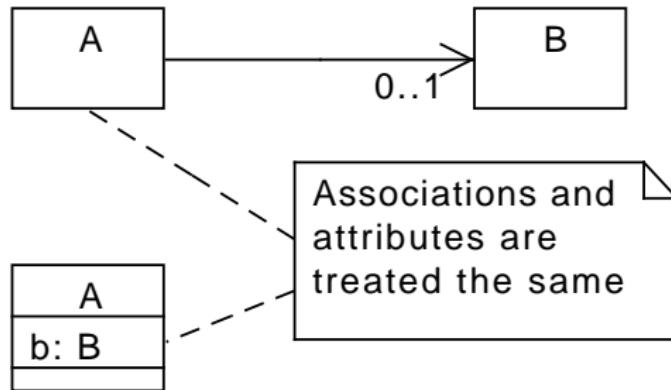
**Operationer**

**'navn3' og 'f1' er statiske størrelser**

```
public class KlasseNavn
{
    private String navn1 = "abc";
    private int navn2;
    protected static boolean navn3;

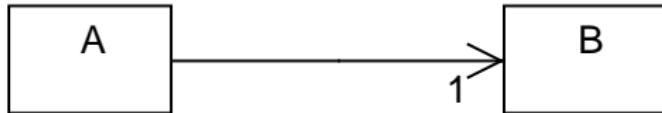
    private static float f1(int a1, String[] a2) { ... }
    public void f2(String x1, boolean x2) { ... }
    protected String f3(double a) { ... }
    public String getNavn1(); {...}
    public void setNavn1(String n) {...}
}
```

# Implementing Associations: Cardinality 0..1



```
public class A {  
    private B b;  
  
    public B getB() { return b; }  
    public void setB(B b) { this.b = b; }  
}
```

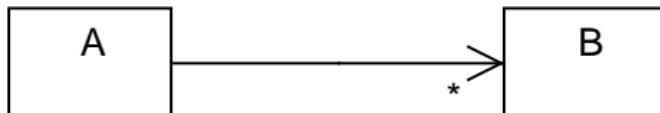
# Implementing Associations: Cardinality 1



- When requesting the field b, the implementation needs to ensure that always a B is returned

```
public class A {  
  
    private B b = new B(); // 1. possibility  
    public A(B b) { this.b = b; } // 2. possibility  
    public B getB() { // 3. possibility  
        if (b == null) {b = computeB();}  
        return b;  
    }  
    public void setB(B b) { if (b != null) {this.b = b;} }  
}
```

# Implementing Associations: Cardinality \*



- Cannot be implemented anymore **directly** in Java  
→ Uses an attribute of type **Collection**

```
public class A {  
  
    private Collection<B> bs = new java.util.ArrayList<B>();  
  
    public void addB(B b) { bs.add(b); }  
    public void contains(B b) { return bs.contains(b); }  
    public void removeB(B b) { bs.remove(b); }  
}
```

- If the multiplicity is >1, one adds a plural s to the role name: **b → bs**

# Interface *Collection*<E>

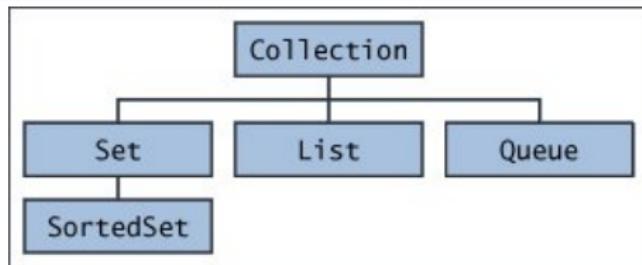
Operation	Description
boolean add(E e)	returns <b>false</b> if e is in the collection
boolean remove(E e)	returns <b>true</b> if e is in the collection
boolean contains(E e)	returns <b>true</b> if e is in the collection
Iterator<E> iterator()	allows to iterate over the collection
int size()	number of elements

## Example of iterating over a collection

```
Collection<String> names = new HashSet<String>() ;  
names.add("Hans");  
...  
for (String name : names) {  
    // Do something with name, e.g.  
    System.out.println(name);  
}
```



# Hierarchy of collection **interfaces**

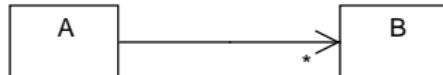


- Collection: Superclass of all collections
- Set: Order is irrelevant; **no duplicates** allowed
- List: **Order is relevant**; duplicates are allowed; allows **positional** access in addition to Collection operations
  - E get(int index);
  - E set(int index, E element);
  - void add(int index, E element);
  - E remove(int index);

Collection and their subinterfaces cannot be instantiated directly

→ One needs to use concrete implementation classes like **HashSet**  or **ArrayList**

# Implementing Associations: Cardinality \*



With UML the default for n-ary associations is: **unordered** and **no duplicates**

```
public class A {  
    private Set<B> bs = new HashSet<B>();  
    ...  
}
```

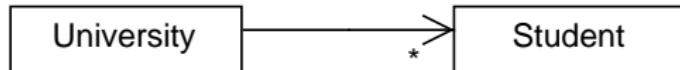
If one wants the collection to be **ordered** with **duplicates** one has to use **{ordered}**



```
public class A {  
    private List<B> bs = new ArrayList<B>();  
    ...  
}
```

# Encapsulation problem

- Access to the implementation of the association using `setB` and `getB` poses encapsulation problems
  - A client of A can change the association without A knowing it!

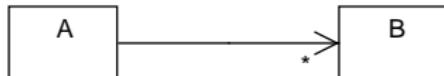


```
University dtu = new University("DTU");
..
Student hans = new Student("Hans");

Collection<Student> students = dtu.getStudents();
students.add(hans);
students.remove(ole);
..
```

- Students can be added and removed, without the university knowing about it!

# Implementing Associations: Cardinality \* (II)



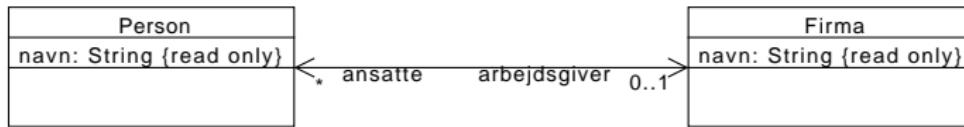
```
public class A {  
  
    private Collection<B> bs = new java.util.HashSet<B>();  
  
    public void addB(B b) { bs.add(b); }  
    public void contains(B b) { return bs.contains(b); }  
    public void removeB(B b) { bs.remove(b); }  
}
```

- **addB, removeB, ...** control the access to the association
- The methods could have more intention revealing names, like **registerStudent** for **addStudent**
  - **addB, removeB, ...** would normally **not** be shown in class diagrams
  - intention revealing methods like **registerStudent** would be **shown** in class diagrams

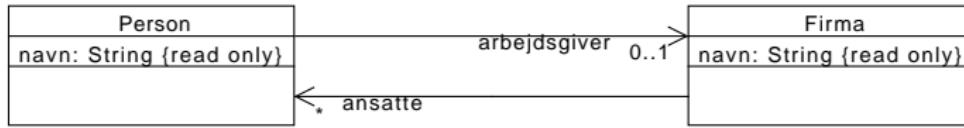


# Implementing bi-directional associations

Example:



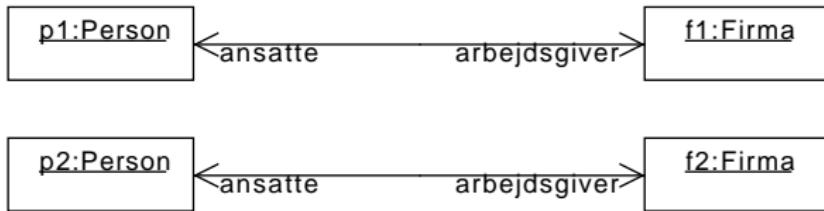
A bi-directional association is implemented as **two uni-directional associations**:



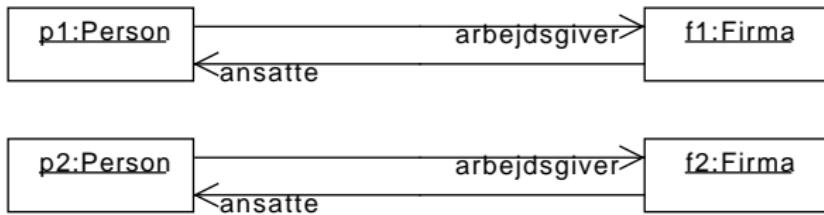
Note:

- Changes of a person objects employer gives rise to changes in up to two company objects list of employees
  - Changes in the company's objects list of employees gives rise to a change in the person objects employer
- referential integrity

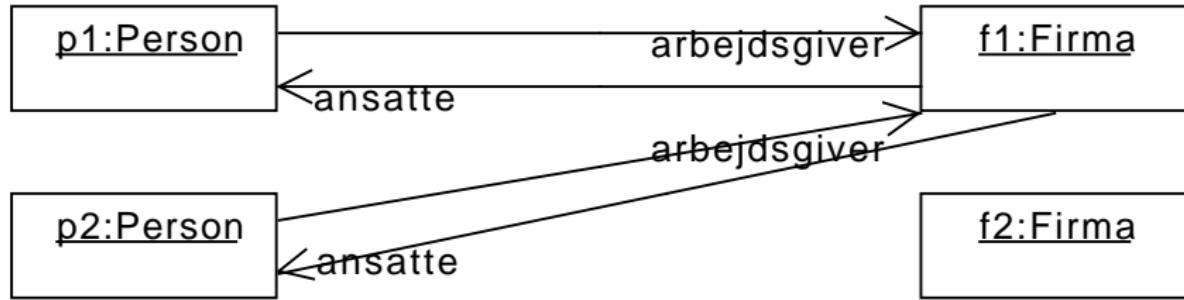
# Referential Integrity



- Referential Integrity:
  - For all employees of a company  $c$ , their company has to be  $c$  and
  - for all persons  $p$ , they have to be employee of the company they are employed in

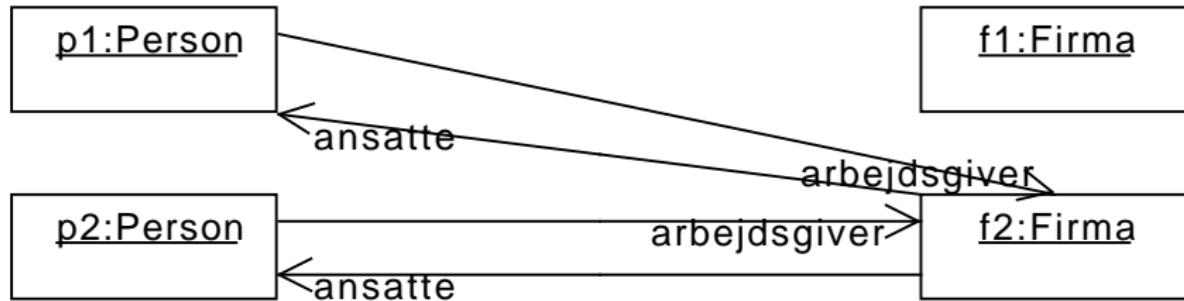


# Referential Integrity: setArbejdsgiver



- **setArbejdsgiver** needs to ensure that the **company** is removed from the **old employer** and added to the **new employer**

# Referential Integrity: addAnsatte



- **addAnsatte** needs to ensure that the **old** employer for the **person** is removed and set to the **new** new employer

# Referential Integrity via helper functions

Three extra operations are used to ensure consistency

## • Person:

Implementation of role **arbejdsgiver** in Person

```
Firma arbejdsgiver = null;

protected void setF(Firma f){arbejdsgiver = f;}
public void setFirma(Firma f){
    if (arbejdsgiver != null) arbejdsgiver.sletP(this);
    if (f != null) f.addP(this);
    arbejdsgiver = f;}
```

## • Firma:

Implementation of role **ansatte** in Firma

```
Collection<Person>ansatte = new ArrayList<Person>();

public void addAnsat(Person p)
{if (!ansatte.contains(p)) {ansatte.add(p); p.setF(this);} }

public void sletAnsat(Person p)
{if (ansatte.contains(p)) {ansatte.remove(i); p.setF(null);}}

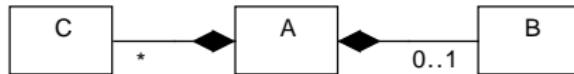
protected void addP(Person p){if (!ansatte.contains(p)) ansatte.add(p);}

protected void sletP(Person p)
{if (ansatte.contains(p)) ansatte.remove(p);}
```

# Summary bi-directional associations

- Exercise
  - Is the implementation correct?
  - What happens if a company adds an employee that works already for another company?
- Summary
  - Use bi-directional associations only when necessary
  - Don't rely on that the clients will do the bookkeeping for you

# Implementing Composition



- Constraints to observe:
  - 1 a part can only be part of **one** composite
  - 2 parts die when the composite dies
    - Problem of **dangling references** in programming languages where one can **destroy** objects (e.g. C++)
    - Problem of objects **not being garbage collected** in languages like Java
- Idea: Ensure the constraints for **all** possible clients
  - **don't** provide **access** to the parts!! If you have to, return a **clone** of the part
  - **No setB()** or **addC()** method

```
public class A {  
    private B b = new B();  
    private Set<C> cs = new Set<C>();  
    public A() { cs.add(new C()); ... }  
    public getB() { return b.clone(); }  
    ...  
}
```