Principles of Software Construction: Objects, Design, and Concurrency

Part 1: Designing Classes

Design for Reuse

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- HW2 due Thursday Sep 14, 11:59 p.m.

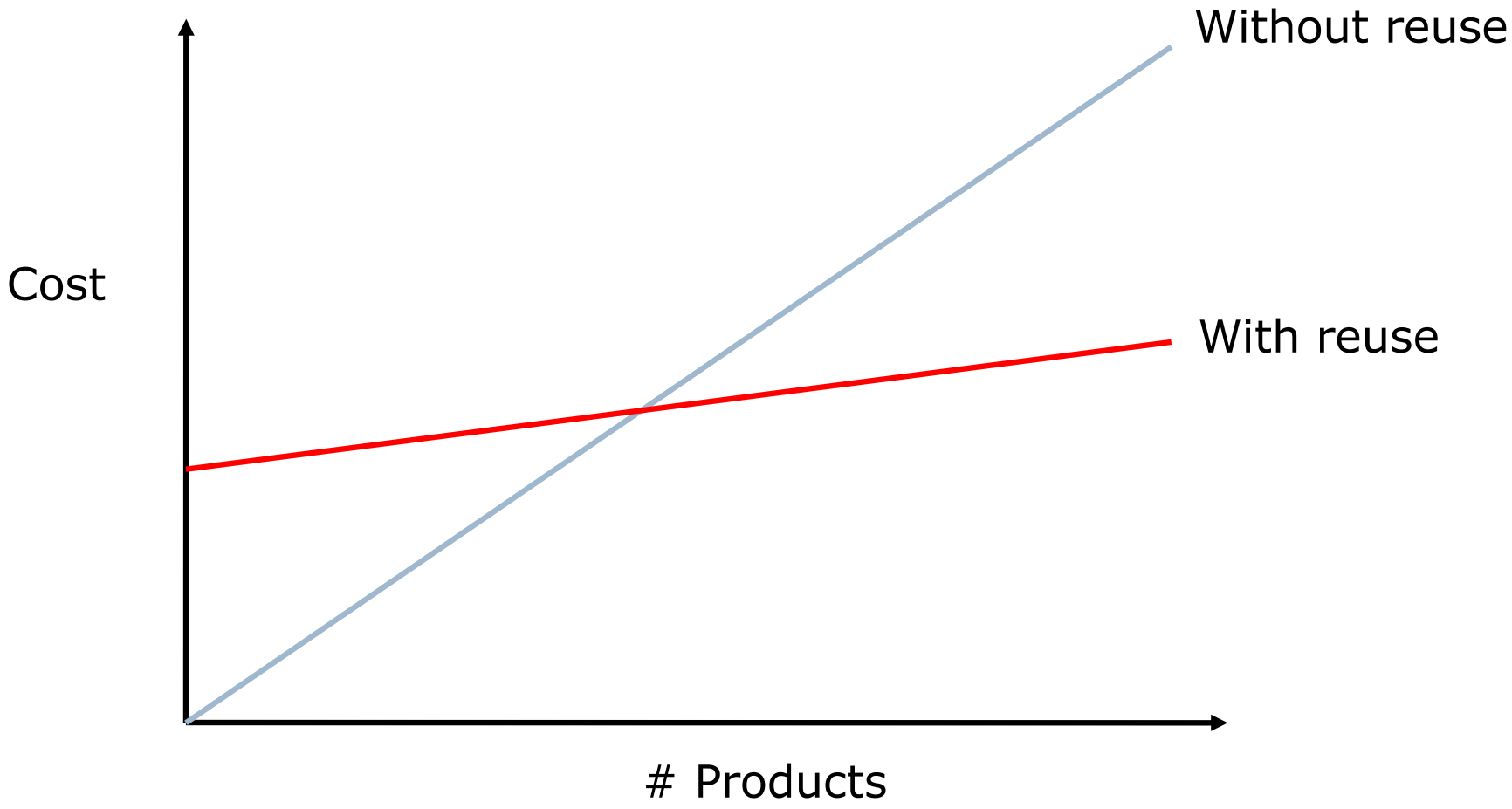
Readings

- Due today:
  - Item 15: Minimize mutability
  - Item 39: Make defensive copies when needed
- Thursday optional reading due:
  - Item 16: Favor composition over inheritance
  - Item 17: Design and document for inheritance or else prohibit it
  - Item 18: Prefer interfaces to abstract classes
- Tuesday required readings due:
  - Chapter 9. Use-Case Model: Drawing System Sequence Diagrams
  - Chapter 10. Domain Model: Visualizing Concepts

Today: Class-level reuse with delegation and inheritance

- Delegation
- Inheritance
  - Java-specific details for inheritance
- Later in the course:
  - System-level reuse with libraries and frameworks

The promise of reuse:



COMPOSITION AND DELEGATION

Recall our earlier sorting example:

Version A:

```
static void sort(int[] list, boolean ascending) {
   …
   boolean mustSwap;
   if (ascending) {
      mustSwap = list[i] < list[j];
   } else {
      mustSwap = list[i] > list[j];
   }
   …
}
```

Version B':

```
interface Comparator {
  boolean compare(int i, int j);
}
final Comparator ASCENDING =  (i, j) -> i < j;
final Comparator DESCENDING = (i, j) -> i > j;

static void sort(int[] list, Comparator cmp) {
  …
  boolean mustSwap =
    cmp.compare(list[i], list[j]);
  …
}
```

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  - `Sorter` can be reused with arbitrary sort orders
  - `Comparators` can be reused with arbitrary client code that needs to compare integers

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Using delegation to extend functionality

- Consider the `java.util.List` (excerpted):

```
public interface List<E> {
  public boolean add(E e);
  public E       remove(int index);
  public void    clear();
  …
}
```

- Suppose we want a list that logs its operations to the console…

Using delegation to extend functionality

- One solution:

The LoggingList *is composed of* a List, and delegates (the non-logging) functionality to that List

```
public class LoggingList<E> implements List<E> {
  private final List<E> list;
  public LoggingList<E>(List<E> list) { this.list = list; }
  public boolean add(E e) {
      System.out.println("Adding " + e);
      return list.add(e);
  }
  public E remove(int index) {
      System.out.println("Removing at " + index);
      return list.remove(index);
  }
  …
```

Delegation and design

- Small interfaces with clear contracts
- Classes to encapsulate algorithms, behaviors
  - E.g., the `Comparator`

IMPLEMENTATION INHERITANCE AND ABSTRACT CLASSES

Variation in the real world: types of bank accounts

```
public interface CheckingAccount {
    public long getBalance();
    public void  deposit(long amount);
    public boolean withdraw(long amount);
    public boolean transfer(long amount, Account??? target);
    public long getFee();
}
```

```
public interface SavingsAccount {
    public long getBalance();
    public void  deposit(long amount);
    public boolean withdraw(long amount);
    public boolean transfer(long amount, Account??? target);
    public double getInterestRate();
}
```

Interface inheritance for an account type hierarchy

```
public interface Account {
    public long getBalance();
    public void  deposit(long amount);
    public boolean withdraw(long amount);
    public boolean transfer(long amount, Account target);
    public void monthlyAdjustment();
}

public interface CheckingAccount extends Account {
    public long getFee();
}

public interface SavingsAccount extends Account {
    public double getInterestRate();
}

public interface InterestCheckingAccount
                        extends CheckingAccount, SavingsAccount {
}
```

The power of object-oriented interfaces

- Subtype polymorphism
  - Different kinds of objects can be treated uniformly by client code
  - Each object behaves according to its type
    - e.g., if you add new kind of account, client code does not change:

```
If today is the last day of the month:
   For each acct in allAccounts:
      acct.monthlyAdjustment();
```

Implementation inheritance for code reuse

```
public abstract class AbstractAccount
        implements Account {
   protected long balance = 0;
   public long getBalance() {
        return balance;
   }
   abstract public void monthlyAdjustment();
   // other methods…
}

public class CheckingAccountImpl
        extends AbstractAccount
        implements CheckingAccount {
   public void monthlyAdjustment() {
        balance -= getFee();
   }
   public long getFee() { … }
}
```

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```

an abstract class is missing the implementation of one or more methods

protected elements are visible in subclasses

an abstract method is left to be implemented in a subclass

no need to define getBalance() – the code is inherited from AbstractAccount

Inheritance: a glimpse at the hierarchy

- Examples from Java
  - `java.lang.Object`
  - Collections library

OVERVIEW PACKAGE CLASS USE TREE DEPRECATED INDEX HELP

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PREV CLASS NEXT CLASS FRAMES NO FRAMES ALL CLASSES

SUMMARY: NESTED | FIELD | CONSTR | METHOD DETAIL: FIELD | CONSTR | METHOD

compact1, compact2, compact3

java.util

Class LinkedList<E>

java.lang.Object
  java.util.AbstractCollection<E>
    java.util.AbstractList<E>
      java.util.AbstractSequentialList<E>
        java.util.LinkedList<E>

Type Parameters:

`E - the type of elements held in this collection`

All Implemented Interfaces:

`Serializable, Cloneable, Iterable<E>, Collection<E>, Deque<E>, List<E>, Queue<E>`

Navigation

```
public class LinkedList<E>
extends AbstractSequentialList<E>
implements List<E>, Deque<E>, Cloneable, Serializable
```

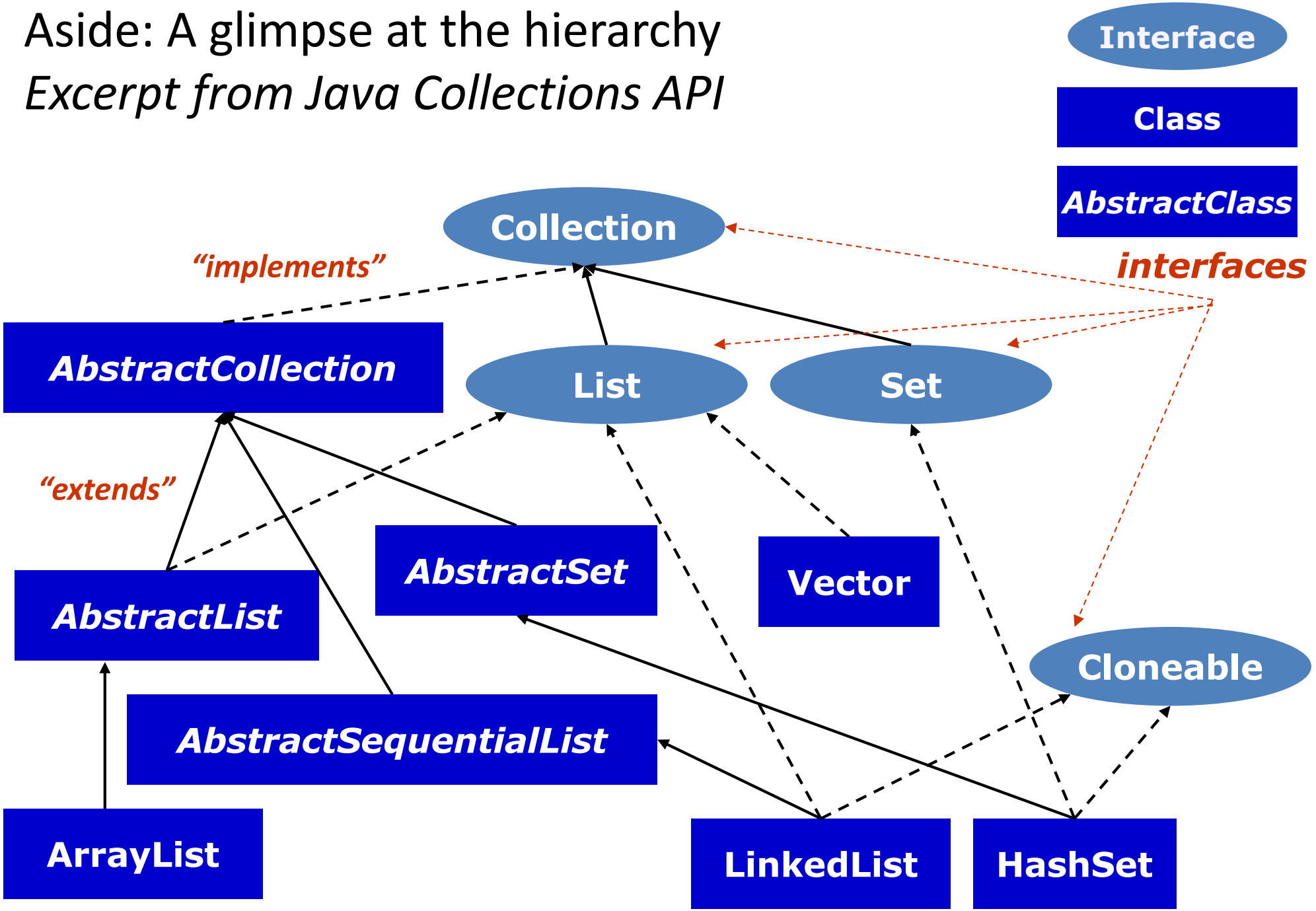
Doubly-linked list implementation of the `List` and `Deque` interfaces. Implements all optional list operations, and permits all elements (including `null`).

All of the operations perform as could be expected for a doubly-linked list. Operations that index into the list will traverse the list from the beginning or the end, whichever is closer to the specified index.

LinkedList Javadocs

Aside: A glimpse at the hierarchy

Excerpt from Java Collections API



Aside: Inheritance and Class Hierarchies

- All Java classes are arranged in a hierarchy
  - **`Object`** is the *superclass* of all Java classes

- *Inheritance* and hierarchical organization capture idea:
  - One thing is a *refinement* or *extension* of another

- Benefits of inheritance:
  - Fundamentally enables *reuse*
  - And *modeling flexibility*

- A Java aside:
    - Each class can directly extend only one parent class
    - A class can implement multiple interfaces

Inheritance and subtyping

- Inheritance is for polymorphism and code reuse
  - Write code once and only once
  - Superclass features implicitly available in subclass

```
class A extends B
```

- Subtyping is for polymorphism
  - Accessing objects the same way, but getting different behavior
  - Subtype is substitutable for supertype

```
class A implements I
class A extends B
```

Typical roles for interfaces and classes

- An interface defines expectations / commitments for clients
- A class fulfills the expectations of an interface
  - An abstract class is a convenient hybrid
  - A subclass specializes a class's implementation

Java details: extended reuse with super

```
public abstract class AbstractAccount implements Account {
   protected long balance = 0;
   public boolean withdraw(long amount) {
       // withdraws money from account (code not shown)
   }
}

public class ExpensiveCheckingAccountImpl
      extends AbstractAccount implements CheckingAccount {
   public boolean withdraw(long amount) {
      balance -= HUGE_ATM_FEE;
      boolean success = super.withdraw(amount)
      if (!success)
         balance += HUGE_ATM_FEE;
      return success;
   }
}
```

Overrides `withdraw` but also uses the superclass `withdraw` method

Java details: constructors with `this` and `super`

```
public class CheckingAccountImpl
      extends AbstractAccount implements CheckingAccount {

   private long fee;

   public CheckingAccountImpl(long initialBalance, long fee) {
      super(initialBalance);
      this.fee = fee;
   }

   public CheckingAccountImpl(long initialBalance) {
      this(initialBalance, 500);
   }
   /* other methods… */ }
```

Invokes a constructor of the superclass. Must be the first statement of the constructor.

Invokes another constructor in this same class

Java details: `final`

- A final field: prevents reassignment to the field after initialization
- A final method: prevents overriding the method
- A final class: prevents extending the class
  - e.g., `public final class CheckingAccountImpl { …`

Note: type-casting in Java

- Sometimes you want a different type than you have
  - e.g.,
```
double pi = 3.14;
int indianaPi = (int) pi;
```
- Useful if you know you have a more specific subtype:
  - e.g.,
```
Account acct = …;
CheckingAccount checkingAcct =
                        (CheckingAccount) acct;
long fee = checkingAcct.getFee();
```
  - Will get a `ClassCastException` if types are incompatible
- Advice: avoid downcasting types
  - Never(?) downcast within superclass to a subclass

Note: `instanceof`

- Operator that tests whether an object is of a given class

```
public void doSomething(Account acct) {
    long adj = 0;
    if (acct instanceof CheckingAccount) {
        checkingAcct = (CheckingAccount) acct;
        adj = checkingAcct.getFee();
    } else if (acct instanceof SavingsAccount) {
        savingsAcct = (SavingsAccount) acct;
        adj = savingsAcct.getInterest();
    }
    …
}
```

Warning: This code is bad.

- Advice: avoid `instanceof` if possible
  - Never(?) use `instanceof` in a superclass to check type against subclass

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    } else if (acct instanceof InterestCheckingAccount) {
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        adj = icAccount.getInterest();
        adj -= icAccount.getFee();
    }
    …
}
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Avoiding `instanceof`

```
public interface Account {
    …
    public long getMonthlyAdjustment();
}

public class CheckingAccount implements Account {
    …
    public long getMonthlyAdjustment() {
        return getFee();
    }
}

public class SavingsAccount implements Account {
    …
    public long getMonthlyAdjustment() {
        return getInterest();
    }
}
```

Avoiding `instanceof`

```
public void doSomething(Account acct) {
  float adj = 0.0;
  if (acct instanceof CheckingAccount) {
    checkingAcct = (CheckingAccount) acct;
    adj = checkingAcct.getFee();
  } else if (acct instanceof SavingsAccount) {
    savingsAcct = (SavingsAccount) acct;
    adj = savingsAcct.getInterest();
  }
  …
}
```

Instead:

```
public void doSomething(Account acct) {
  long adj = acct.getMonthlyAdjustment();
  …
}
```

Design with inheritance (or not)

- Favor composition over inheritance
  - Inheritance violates information hiding
- Design and document for inheritance, or prohibit it
  - Document requirements for overriding any method

Open/Closed Principle

- Open for extension
  - Extend behavior for new functionality
- Closed for modification
  - Do no modify existing modules

Cautionary tale: left-pad

```
module.exports = leftpad;
function leftpad (str, len, ch) {
  str = String(str);
  var i = -1;
  if (!ch && ch !== 0) ch = ' ';
  len = len - str.length;
  while (++i < len) {
    str = ch + str;
  }
  return str;
}
```

Left-pad incident

- Author un-publised left-pad from npm repository over name dispute
- Cascading effect broke many widely used packages such as React (used by Facebook), Bable, and more
- Over 1000 projects affected

Introduction to UML

- Introduction to UML class diagrams
- Introduction to design patterns
  - Strategy pattern
- Specific design patterns for change and reuse:
  - Template method pattern
  - Iterator pattern
  - Decorator pattern (next Tuesday)

Diagrams

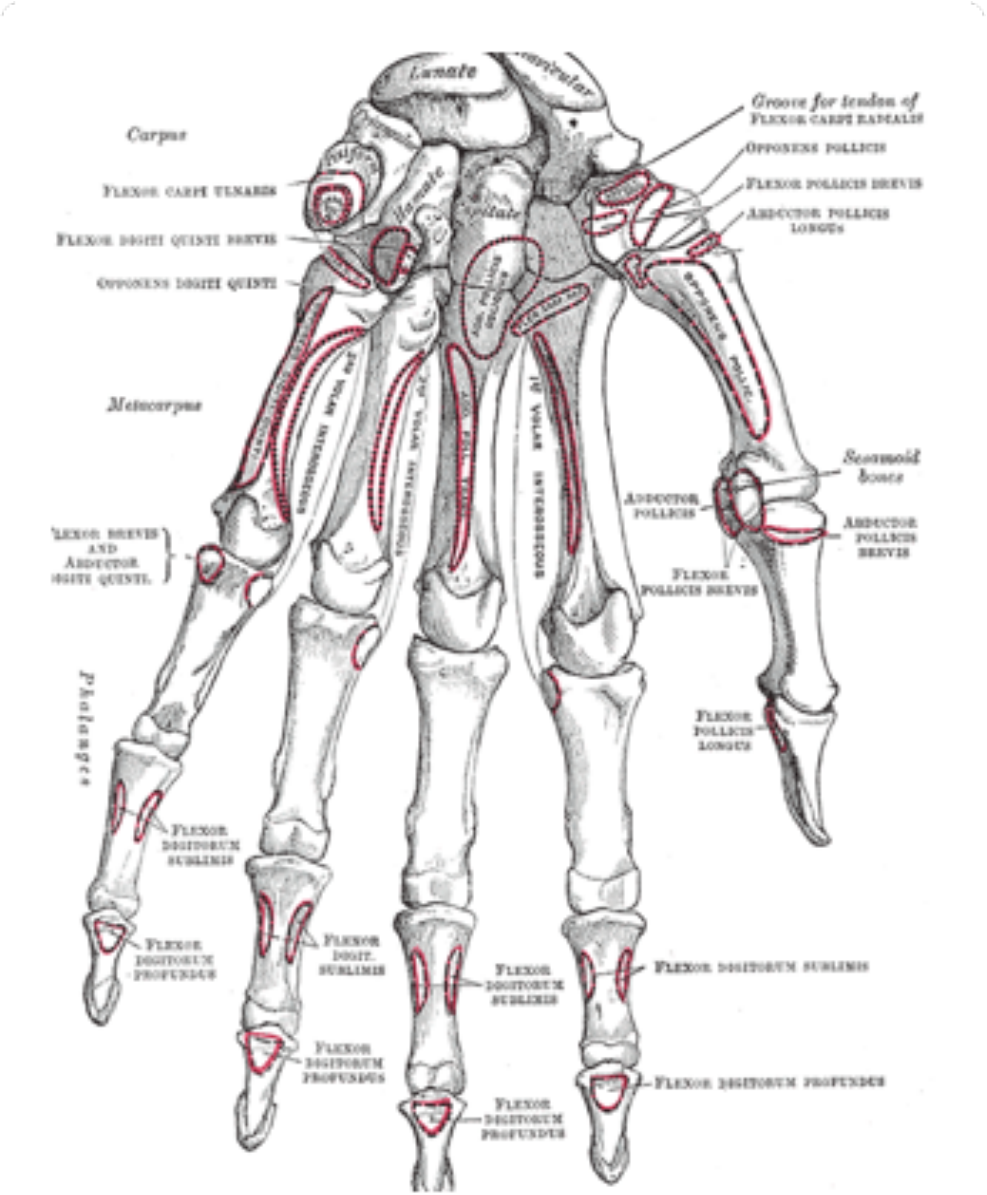
Are often useful when you need to:

Communicate,

Visualize or

Analyze

something, especially something with some structure.



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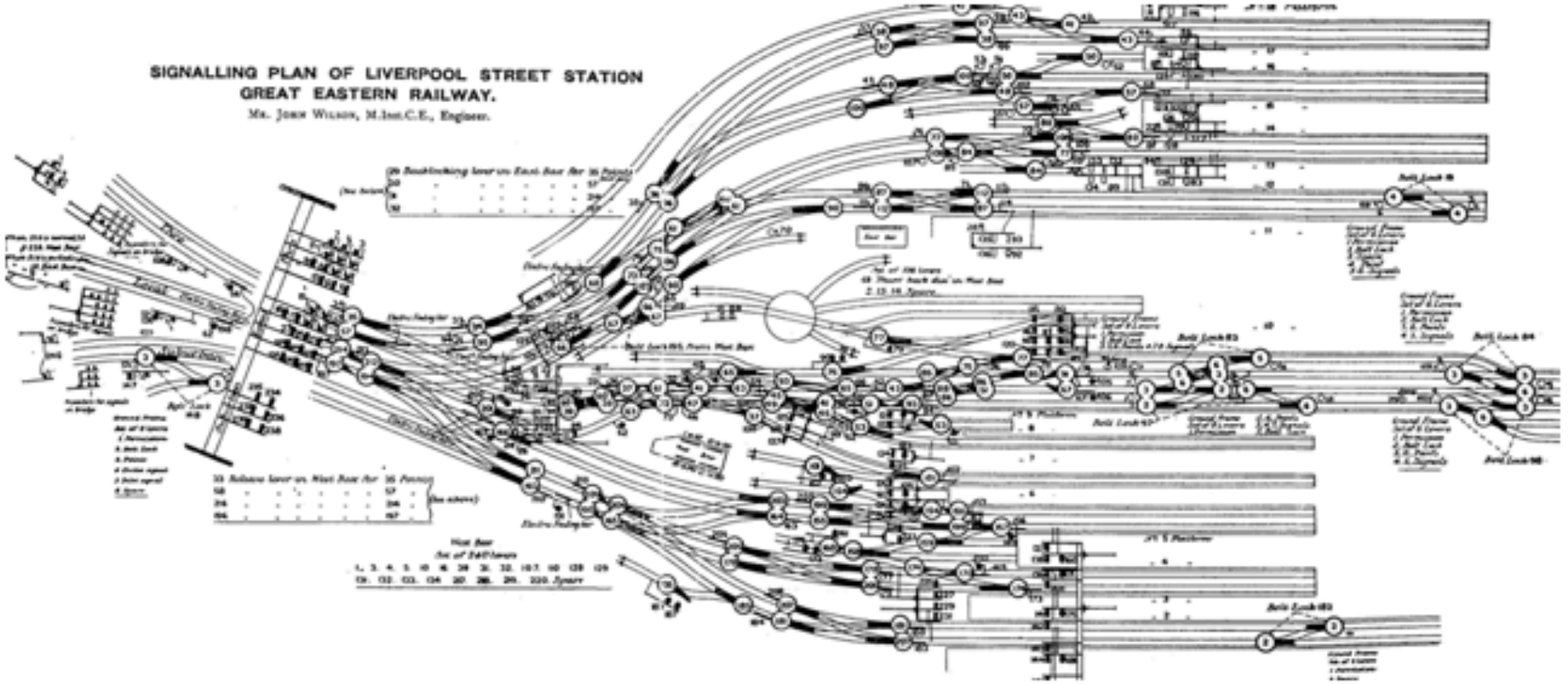

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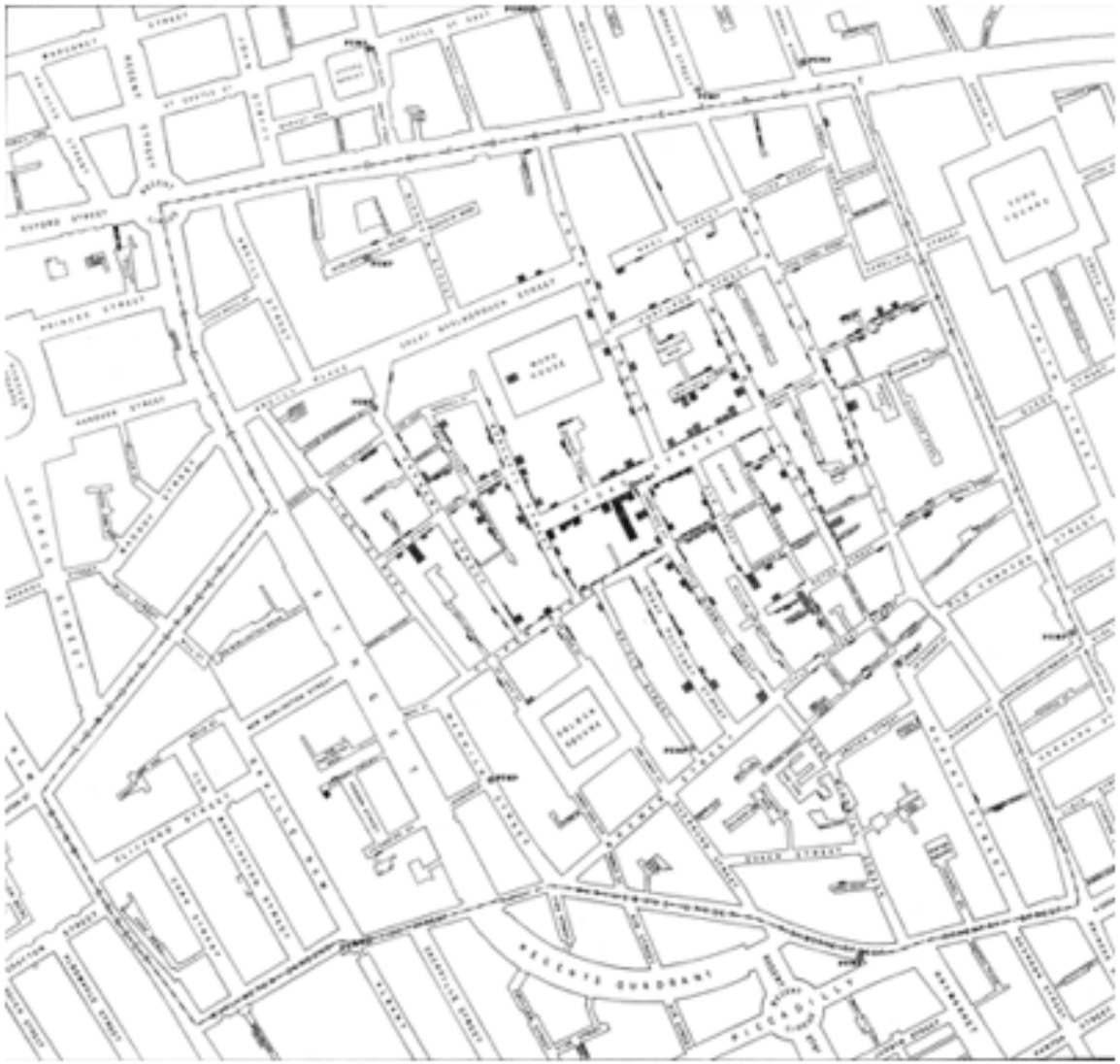

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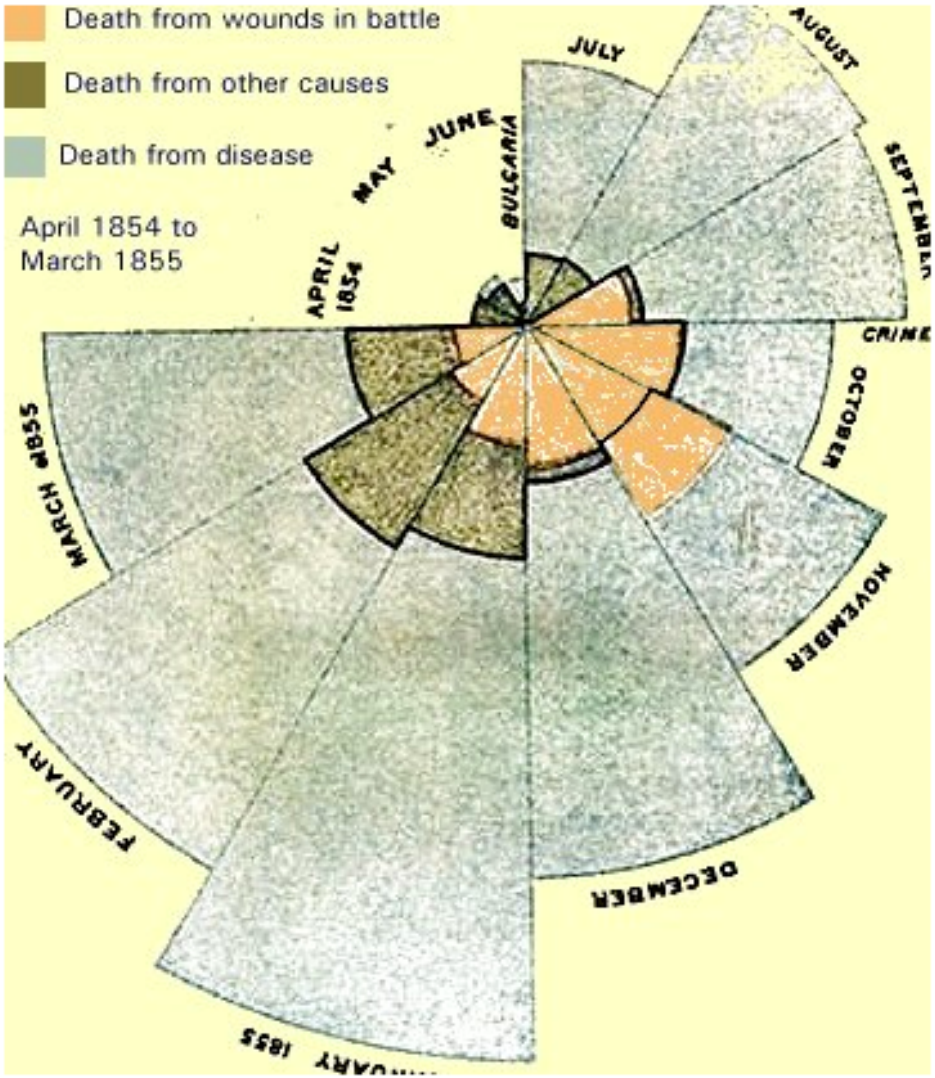

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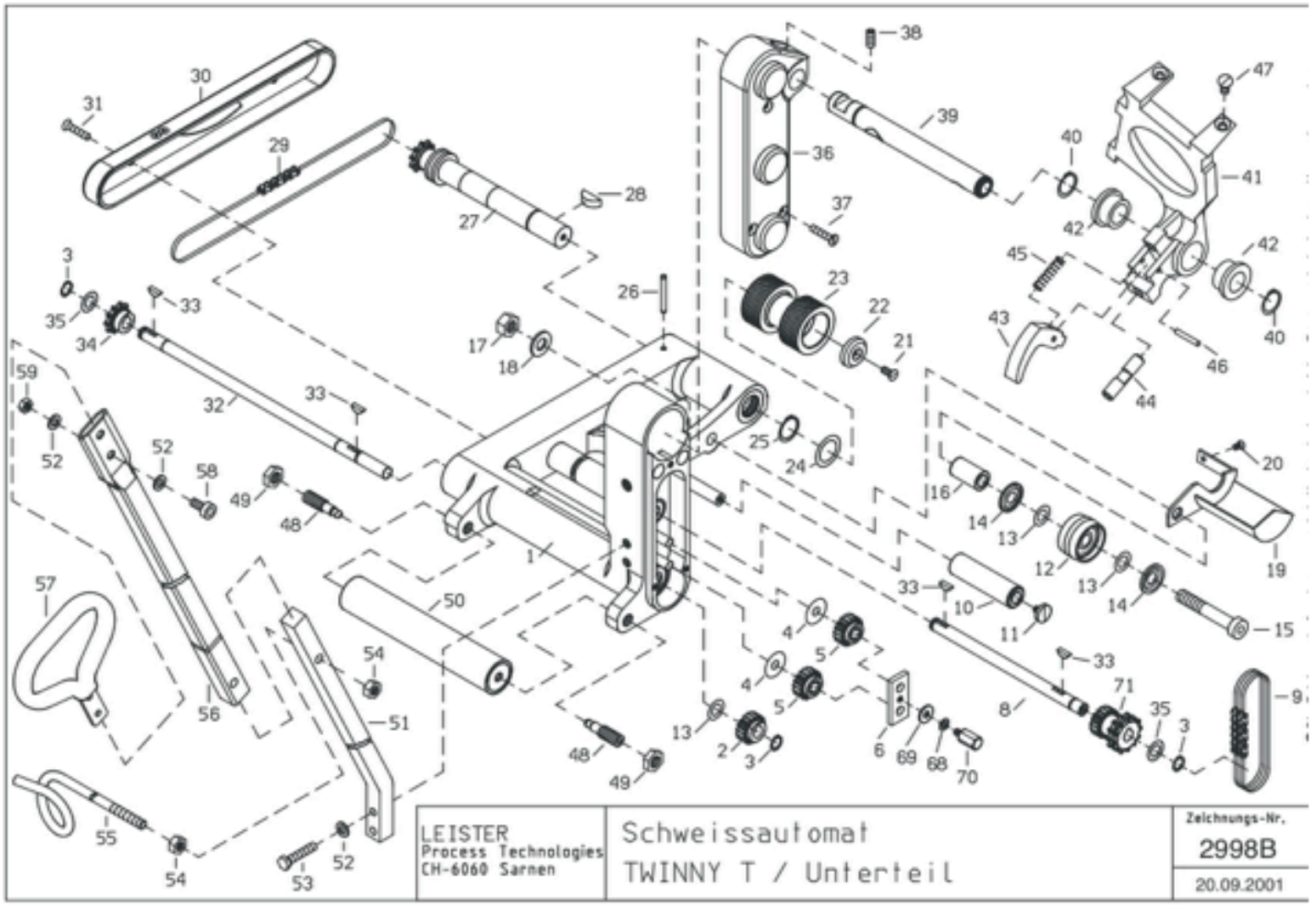

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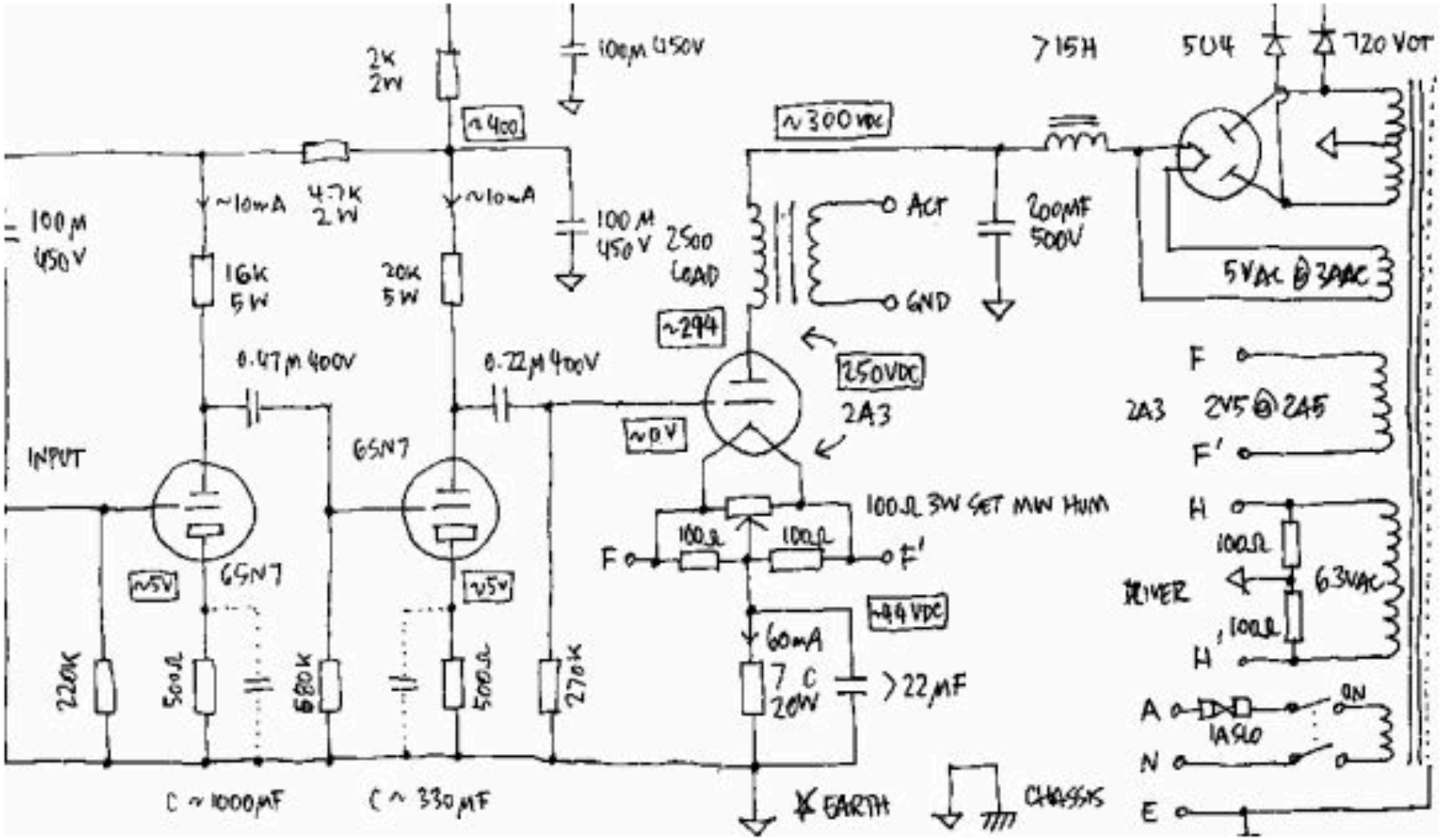

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"Democracy is the worst form of government, except for all the others"

-Allegedly Winston Churchill

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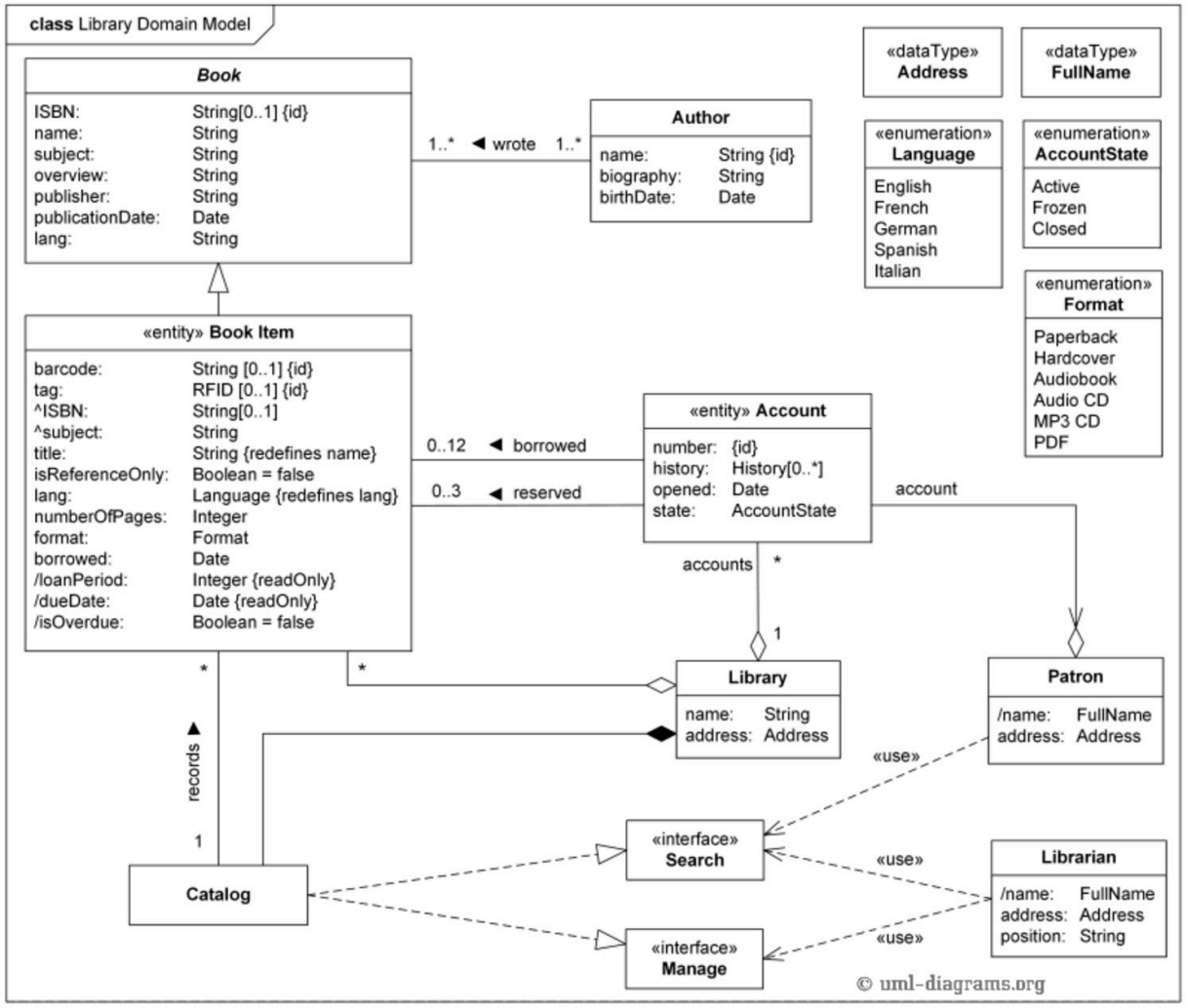

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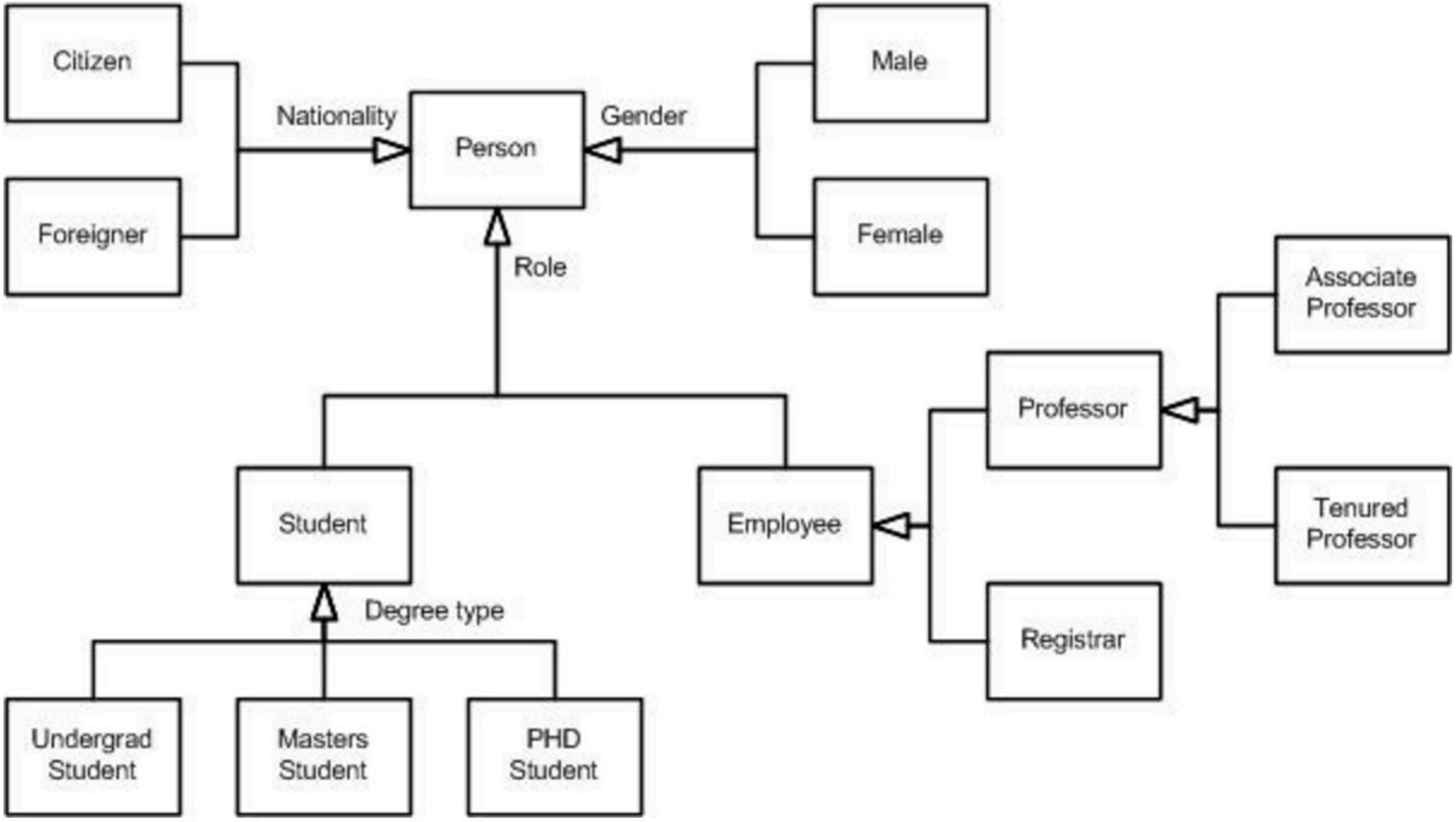

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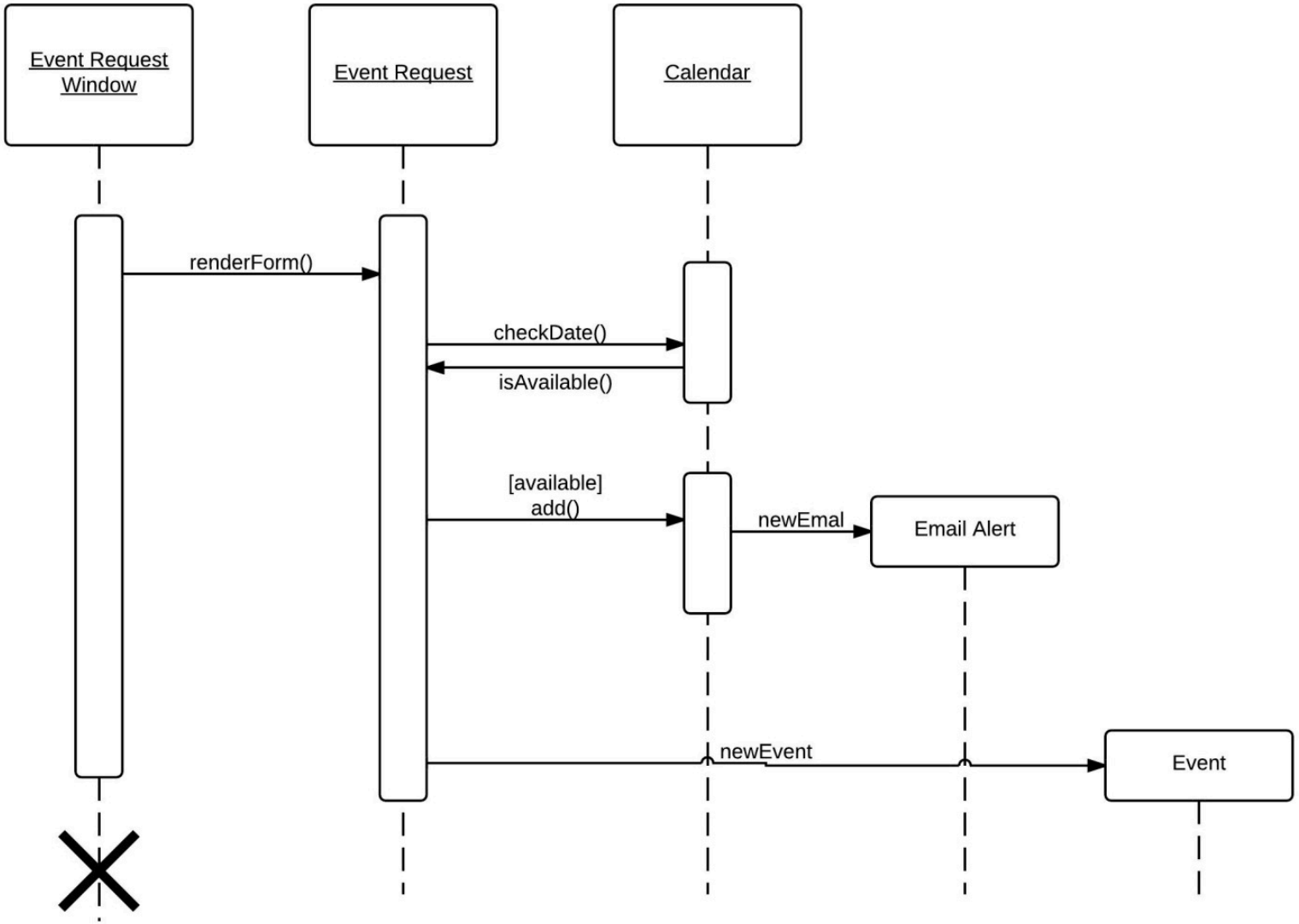

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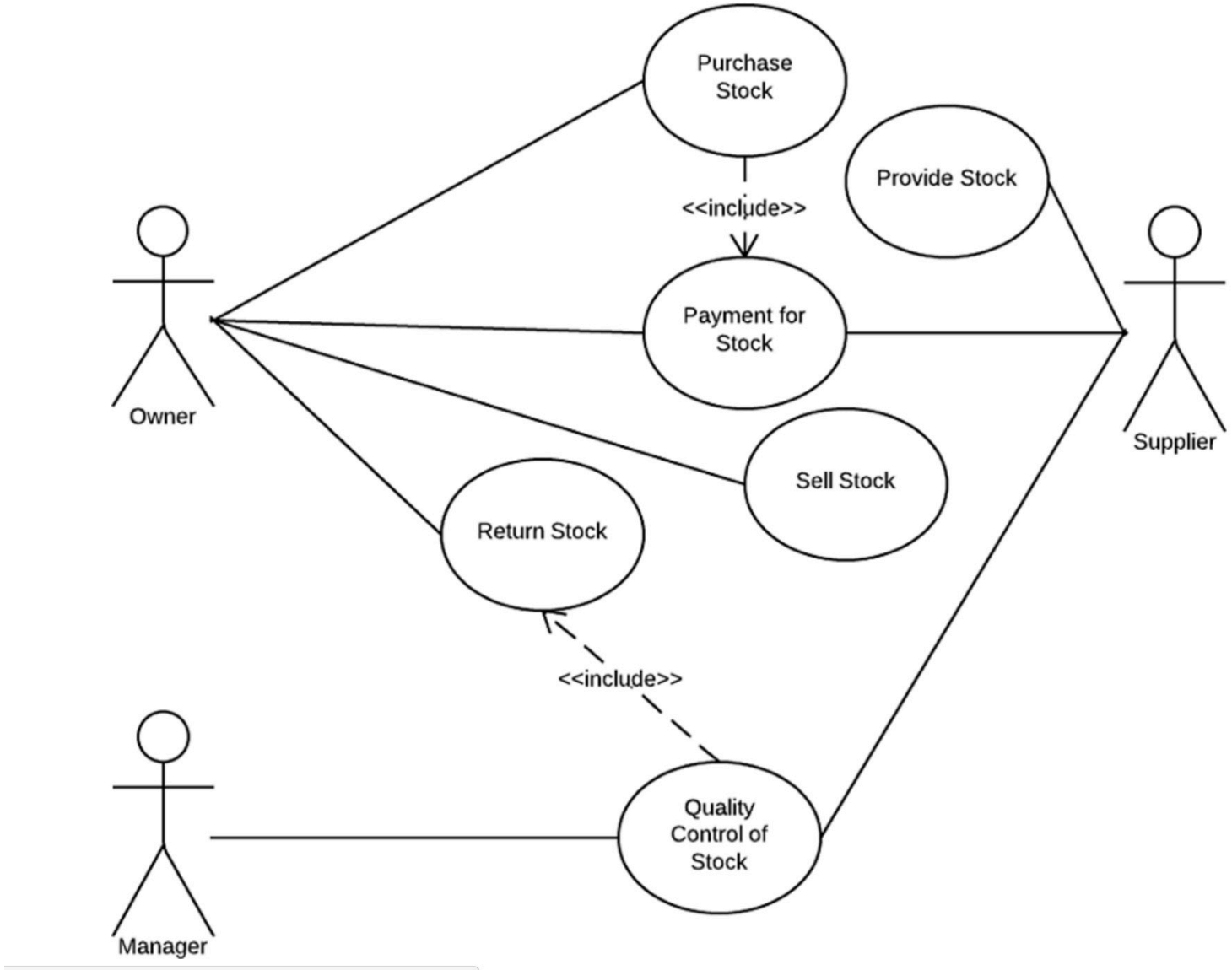

UML in this course

- UML class diagrams
- UML interaction diagrams
  - Sequence diagrams
  - Communication diagrams

UML class diagrams (interfaces and inheritance)

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UML class diagrams (classes)

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