



## Outline (Ch. 12, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. – Ch. 21, 4<sup>th</sup> ed.)

- Overview of ODMG
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  - Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects
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- Object Definition Language
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- Overview of the O2 System

## •Overview of ODMG

The ODMG object model is the data model upon which the object definition language (ODL) and object query language (OQL) are based.

Object model:

- data type, type constructor
- concepts for specifying object database schemas
- statements for manipulating objects and retrieval

- **Overview of ODMG**

- Objects and Literals

- basic building blocks of the object model

Object: a data unit with obejct identifier and a state  
the state can change over time

Literal: a value, not with object identifier  
a constatnt, possibly having a complex structure  
not change

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- Objects and Literals

**An object is described by four characteristics:**

*object identifier* (*Object\_Id*): a unique system-wide identifier

*name*: used to refer to the object in a program; the system should be able to locate the object given the name.

Name is often used as the entry point.

Name is unique within a particular database.

*lifetime*:

persistent object - a permanently existing object in a database if it is not removed explicitly.

Transient object - an object in an executing program that disappears after the program terminates.

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Object - four characteristics:

*structure*: specify how the object is constructed by using the type constructors.

atomic object - a data unit with a specific structure

(Note that an atomic object is neither an atom constructor nor an atomic literal.)

collection object - an object representing a set of objects of some type

**A literal may have a simple or complex structure.**

- atomic literal: corresponds to the value of a basic data type: Long, Short, Unsigned, Float, Double, boolean values, single characters, strings, enumeration type.

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**A literal may have a simple or complex structure.**

- structured literal: correspond roughly to values that are constructed using the tuple constructor:  
Date, Interval, Time, TimeStamp - built-in structures  
user-defined type structures

Example:

```
struct Dept_Mgr {  
    Employee    manager;  
    date        startdate  
}
```

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**A literal may have a simple or complex structure.**

- collection literal: a value that is a collection of objects or values but the collection itself does not have an Object\_Id.

Set<*t*>, Bag<*t*>, List<*t*>, Array<*t*>  
Dictionary<*k, v*>

Example:

Set<string>, Bag<float>, ...

## •Overview of ODMG

- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

**Interface** - something like type, or class

contains: visible attributes, relationships, operations;  
noninstantiable;

Operations can be inherited by the user-defined objects.

### Example:

```
interface Object {
```

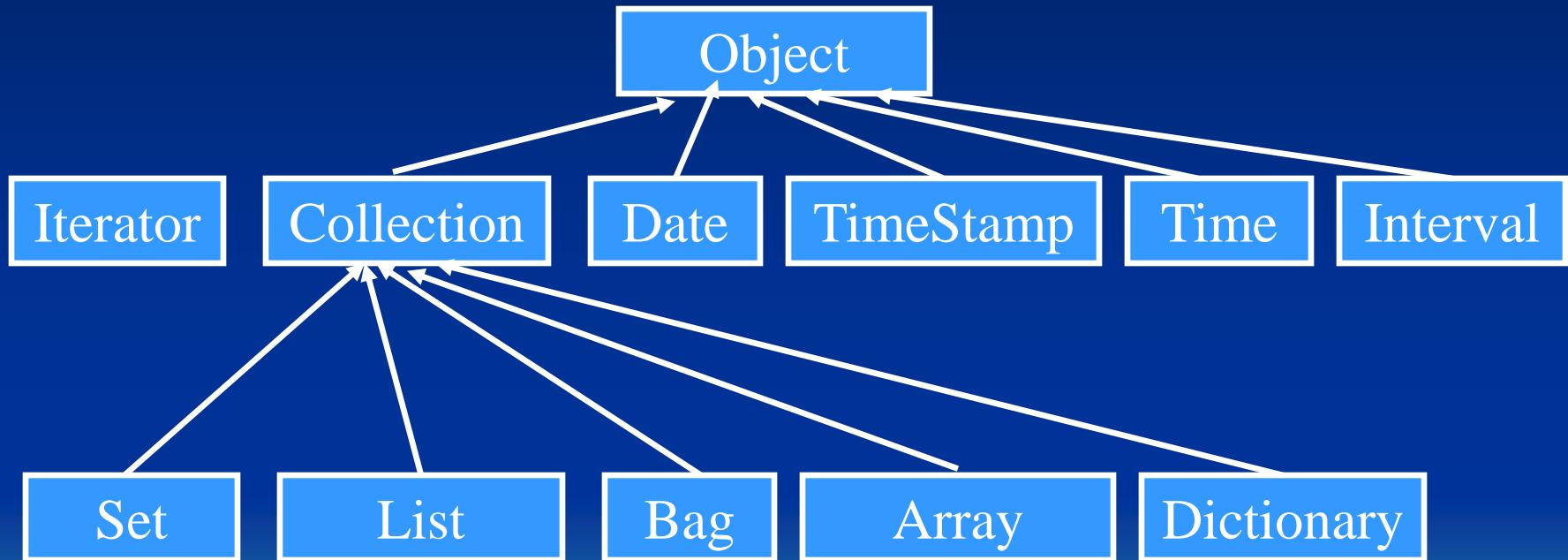
```
    ...
```

```
    boolean same_as(in Object other_object);  
    Object copy();  
    void delete(); };
```

## •Overview of ODMG

- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

**Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.**



## •Overview of ODMG

- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

```
interface Collection : Object { ...
```

exception

ElementNotFound(in any element);

unsigned long

cardinality();

boolean

is\_empty();

...

boolean

contains\_element(in any element);

void

insert\_element(in any element);

void

remove\_element(in any element)

                  raises(ElementNotFound);

Iterator

create\_iterator();

...

}

## •Overview of ODMG

- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

```
interface Iterator { ...
    exception NoMoreElement();
    ...
    boolean at_end();
    void reset();
    any get_element() raises(NoMoreElement);
    void next_position() raises(NoMoreElement);
    ...
}
```

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- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

Given a collection object o,

o.cardinality() - number of elements in the collection

o.is\_empty() - true or false

o.insert\_element(e) - insert e into o

o.remove\_element(e) - remove e from o.

o.contains(e) - true or false.

The operation i = o.create\_iterator() creates an iterator object i.

i.reset() - sets the iterator at the first element in a collection

i.next\_position() - sets the iterator to the next element

i.get\_element() - retrieve the current element.

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- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

**Set is a subclass of Collection interface**

```
interface Set : Collection {  
    Set           create_union(in Set other_set);  
    ... ...  
    boolean       is_subset_of(in Set other_set);  
    ...  
}
```

$\text{Set} < \text{t} \text{>}$  is a subclass of Set interface (e.g.,  $\text{Set} < \text{Student} \text{>}$ ).

Given a  $\text{Set} < \text{t} \text{>}$  object o (t is a data type),

$p = o.create\_union(s)$

$o.is\_subset\_of(s)$

$p = o.create\_intersection(s)$

$o.is\_proper\_subset(s)$

$p = o.create\_difference(s)$

$o.is\_superset(s)$

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Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

**Bag is a subclass of Collection interface**

```
interface Bag : Collection {  
    unsigned long occurrence_of(in any element);  
    Bag create_union(in Bag other_bag);  
    ...  
}
```

$\text{Bag} < \text{t} \text{>}$  is a subclass of Bag interface.

Given a  $\text{Bag} < \text{t} \text{>}$  object o,

$p = o.create\_union(s)$

$p = o.create\_intersection(s)$

$p = o.create\_difference(s)$

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Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

**List is a subclass of Collection interface**

```
interface List : Collection {  
    exception    Invalid_Index(unsigned_long index);  
    void         remove_element_at(in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    any          retrieve_element_at(in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    void         replace_element_at(in any element, in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    void         insert_element_at(in any element, in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    void         insert_element_first(in any element);  
    ... ... } }
```

List<t> is a subclass of List interface.

Given a List<t> object o,

- o.insert\_element\_first(e)
- o.insert\_element\_last(e)
- o.insert\_element\_after(e, i)
- o.insert\_element\_before(e, i)
- o.remove\_first\_element(e)
- o.remove\_last\_element(e)
- o.remove\_element\_at(i)
- e = o.retrieve\_first\_element()
- e = o.retrieve\_last\_element()
- e = o.retrieve\_element\_at(i)
- p = o.concat(l)
- o.append(l)

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- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

**Array is a subclass of Collection interface**

```
interface Array : Collection {  
    exception    Invalid_Index(unsigned_long index);  
    void         remove_element_at(in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    any          retrieve_element_at(in any element, in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    void         replace_element_at(in any element, in unsigned_long position)  
                  raised(InvalidIndex);  
    void         resize(in unsigned long new_size);  
}
```

Array<t> is a subclass of Array interface.

Given an Array<t> object o,

o.replace\_element\_at(i, e)

e = o.remove\_element\_at(i)

e = o.retrieve\_element\_at(i)

o.resize(n)

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- Built-in Interfaces for Collection Objects

Any collection object inherits the basic Collection Interface.

**Dictionary is a subclass of Collection interface**

```
interface Dictionary : Collection {
```

```
    exception KeyNotFoundException(key);  
    void bind(key, value);  
    void unbind(key) raised(KeyNotFoundException);  
    any lookup(key) raised(KeyNotFoundException);  
    boolean contains_key(key);  
}
```

This allows the creation of a collection of association pairs  $\langle k, v \rangle$ , where all  $k$  (key) values are unique. This allows for associative retrieval of a particular pair given its key value (similar to an index).

Dictionary<k, v> is a subclass of Dictionary interface.

Given a Dictionary<k, v> object o,

o.bind(k, v) - binds value v to the key k as an association <k, v> in the collection.

o.unbind(k) - removes the association with key k from o

v = o.lookup(k) - returns the value v associated with key k in o.

o.contains\_key(k) - return true if k exists in o; otherwise, return false.

- Overview of ODMG
  - **Atomic (User-defined) Objects**  
class - a specification of a data unit:

properties    {    attributes  
                    |  
            relationships  
operations

An atomic object is an instance of some class.

- Overview of ODMG

- Atomic (User-defined) Objects

### Example:

```
class Employee
( extent all_employees
  key      ssn)
{ attribute      string          name;
  attribute      string          ssn;
  attribute      date           birthdate;
  attribute      enum Gender{M, F} sex;
  attribute      short          age;
  relationship   Department     works_for
                  inverse Department::has_emps;
  void          reassign_emp(in string new_dname)
                  raises(dname_not_valid); }
```

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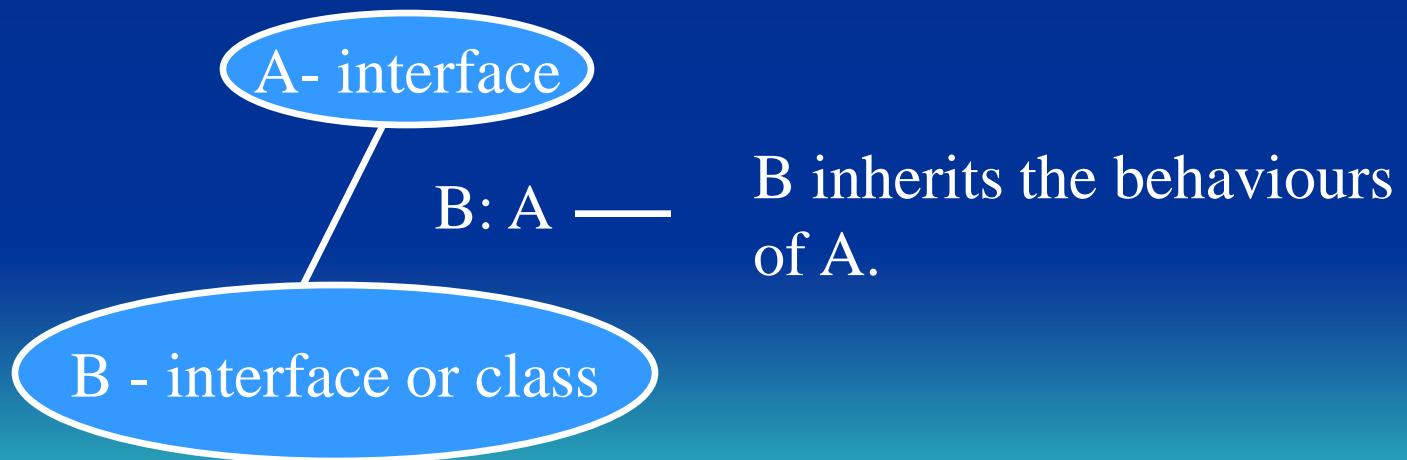
- Atomic (User-defined) Objects

- Example:**

```
class Department
(
  extent all_departments
  key dname, dnumber)
{
  attribute string           dname;
  attribute short            dnumber;
  attribute struct Dept_Mgr {Employee manager, date startdate}
                                mgr;
  attribute set<string>      location;
  attribute struct Projs {string projname, time weekly_hours}
                                projs;
  relationship set<Employee> has_emps
    inverse          Employee::works_for;
  void      add_emp(in string new_ename) raises(ename_not_valid);
  void      change_manager(in string new_mgr_name; in date startdate); }
```

## - Difference between Interfaces and classes

interface - specification of the abstract behaviour of an object type  
may have state properties  
behaviours can be inherited  
state properties cannot be inherited  
noninstantiable



## - Difference between Interfaces and classes

class - specification of the abstract behaviour and abstract state of an object type

Both the behaviours and states can be inherited  
instantiable



## - Extents, Keys, and factory Objects

- Extents: the extent is given a name and will contain all persistent objects of the corresponding class.
  - The extent behaves as a set object that holds all persistent objects of the class.

```
class Department
(
    extent  all_departments
            key      dname, dnumber)
{
    ...
}
```

- If B is a subclass of A, then the extent of B (i.e., named all\_B) must be the subset of the extent of A (named all\_A):

$$\text{all}_B \subseteq \text{all}_A.$$

## - Extents, Keys, and factory Objects

- Keys: A key consists of one or more properties (attributes or relationships) whose values are constrained to be unique for each object in the extent.

**Example:** the Employee class has the ssn attribute as key; the Department class has two distinct keys: dname and dnumber.

- Composite key: A composite key is made of several properties (attributes), the properties that form the key are contained in parentheses.

**Example:** class Vehicle  
(extent all\_vehicles  
key (state, license\_number)) { .... }

## - Extents, Keys, and Factory Objects

- Factory Object - an interface that can be used to generate or create individual objects via its operations.

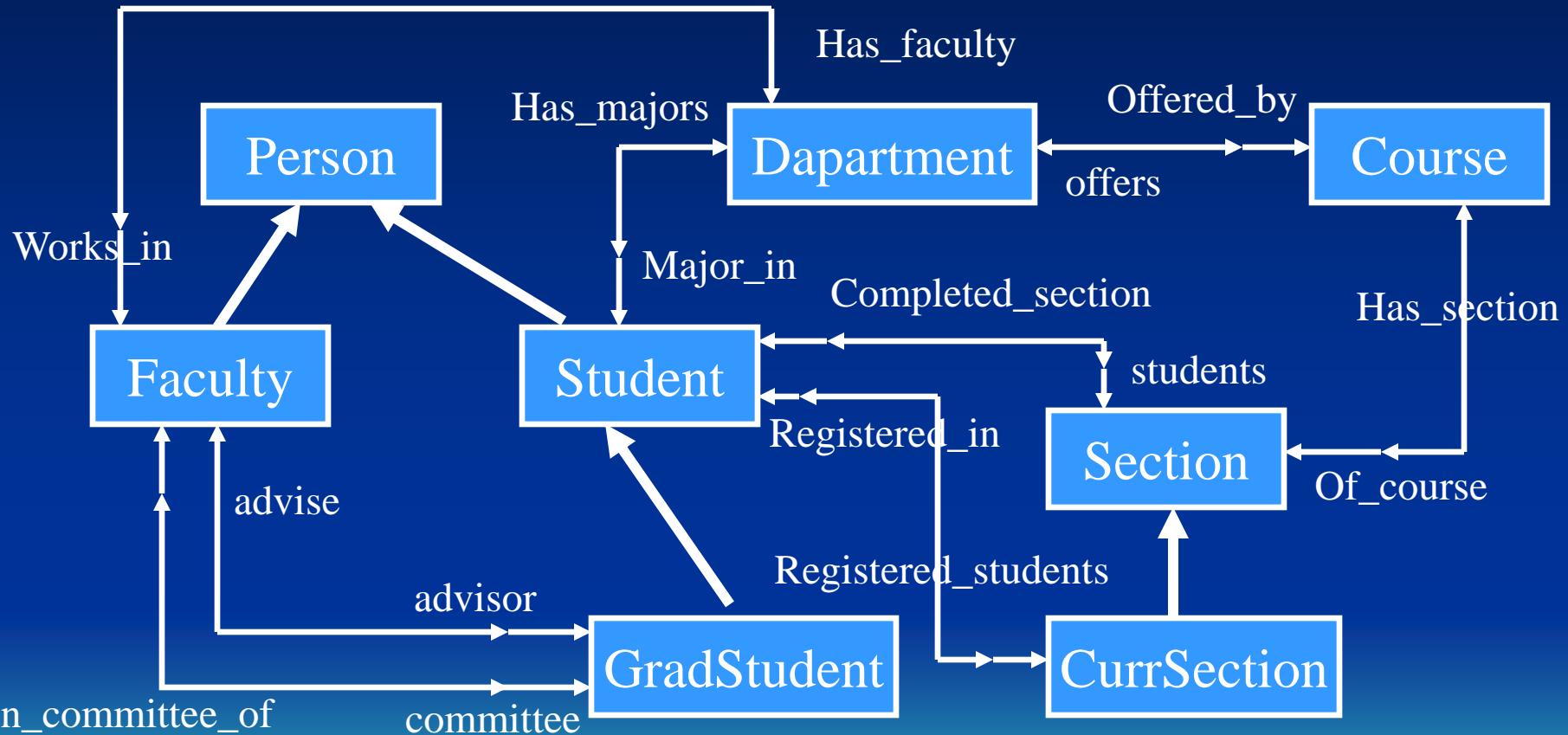
```
Example:    interface ObjectFactory {  
            Object new();  
        }
```

new() returns a new object with an Object\_Id.

## •ODL Language

- ODL language is used to create object specifications: classes and interfaces
- Using the specific language bindings to specify how ODL constructs can be mapped to constructs in specific programming language, such as C++, SMALLTALK, and JAVA.

## •ODL Language



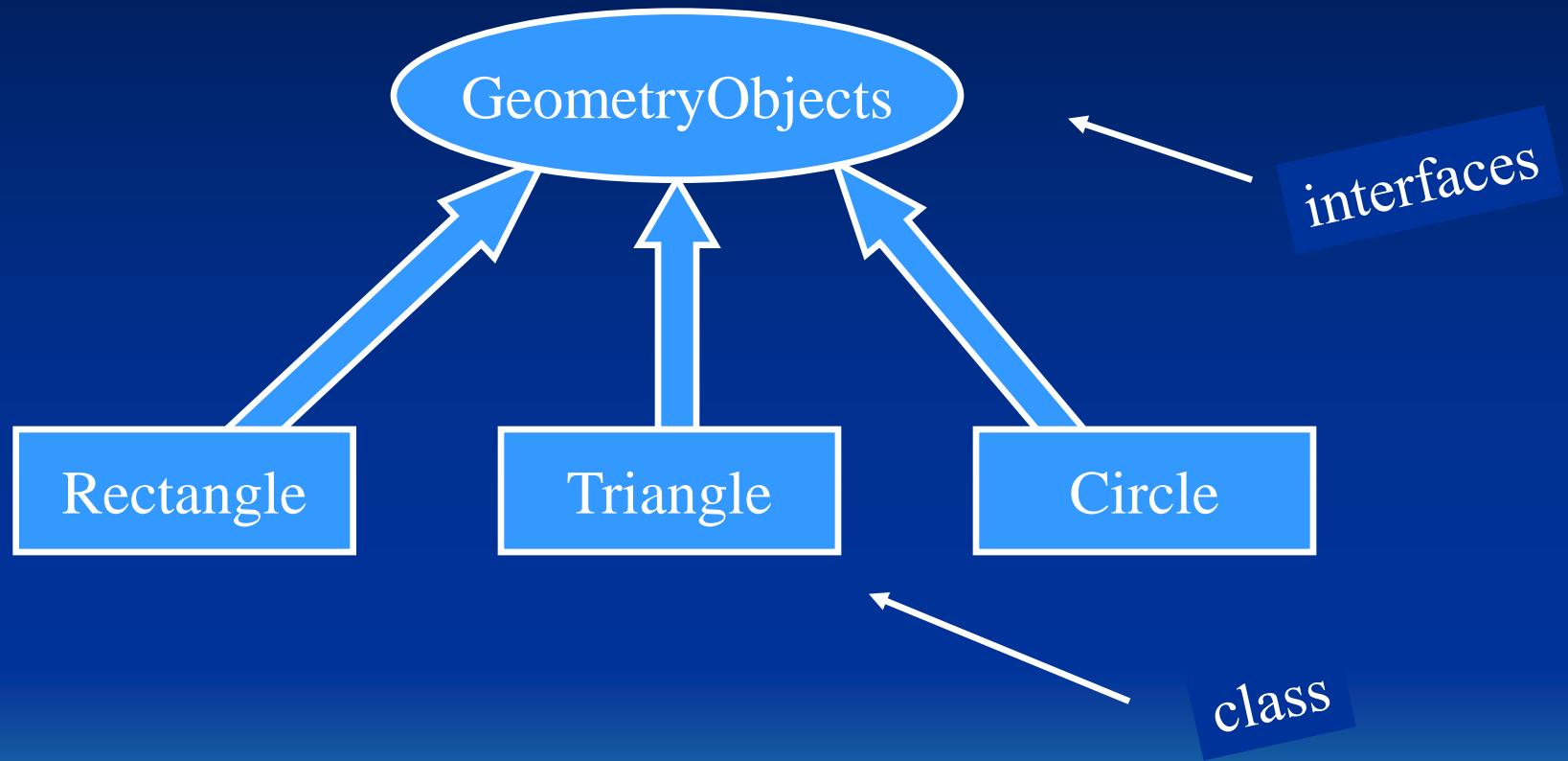
## •ODL Language

```
class Person
( extent persons
  key    ssn)
{ attribute  struct Pname {string fname, string mname, string lname}
              name;
            string           ssn;
            date             birthdate;
            enum Gender{M, F} sex;
            attribute struct Address
              {short no, string street, short aptno, string city, string state,
               short zip}           address;
            short           age();
}
```

## •ODL Language

```
class Faculty extends Person
( extent faculty )
{ attribute string rank;
attribute float saraly;
attribute string office;
attribute string phone;
relationship department works_in inverse Department::has_faculty;
relationship set<GradStudent> advises inverse GradStudent::advisor;
relationship set<GradStudent> on_committee_of
                                inverse GradStudent::committee;
void give_raise(in float raise);
void promote(in string new_rank);
}
```

## •ODL Language



By interfaces, only operations are inherited.

## •ODL Language

```
interface GeometryObject
{   attribute enum Shape {Rectangle, Triangle, Circle}
    shape;
    attribute struct Point {short x, short y}
        reference_point;

    float perimeter();
    float area();
    void translate(in short x_translation, in short y_translation);
    void rotation(in float angle_of_rotation);
};
```

## •ODL Language

```
class Rectangle : GeometryObject
( extent      rectangle )
{ attribute    struct Point {short x, short y}
               reference_point;
attribute    short           length;
attribute    short           height;
attribute    float          orientation_angle;
};
```

## •OQL Language

The object query language (OQL) is the query language proposed for the ODMG object model.

- Simple OQL queries, database entry points, and iterator variables

OQL syntax: select ... from ... where

**Example:**

SELECT	d.dname
FROM	d in departments
WHERE	d.college = ‘Engineering’

## •OQL Language

Entry point to the database: needed for each query which can be any named *persistent object*:  
the name of the extent of a class

```
class Person  
  ( extent persons  
    key   ssn)  
  { ... ... }
```

```
class Faculty extends Person  
  ( extent faculty  
  { ... ... }
```

```
class Department  
  ( extent departmet key dname){ ... ... }
```

entry points

## •OQL Language

Iterator variable:

An entry point refers to a persistent collection of objects.

An iterator variable is defined over a collection of objects.

**Example:**     SELECT  
                FROM  
                WHERE

d.dname  
d in departments  
d.college = ‘Engineering’

**d in** department  
department d  
department **as** d

d is the iterator variable

## •OQL Language

- Query results and path expressions
  - Any persistent name is a query, whose result is a reference to that persistent object.

Q1: faculty

Q1a: csdepartment

(Here we assume that ‘csdepartment’ is a persistent name to a single department object.)

- path expression - specify a path to related attributes and objects.

Q2: csdepartment.chair;

Q2a: csdepartment.chair.rank;

Q2b: csdepartment.has\_faculty;

## •OQL Language

- Query results and path expressions
  - query: return the ranks of computer science faculty:  
Q3: **select** f.rank  
**from** f in csdepartment.has\_faculty;

Q3a: **select** distinct f.rank  
**from** f in csdepartment.has\_faculty

## •OQL Language

- Query results and path expressions
  - query result with a complex structure, using **struct** keyword

Q4: csdepartment.chair.advises;

Q4a: **select struct** (name: **struct**(last\_name: s.name.lname,  
                          first\_name: s.name.fname),  
                          degrees: (**select struct** (deg: d.degree,  
                              yr: d.year,  
                              college: d.college)  
                          **from** d **in** s.degree)  
                          **from** s **in** csdepartment.chair.advises:

## •OQL Language

- Query results and path expressions
  - query result with a complex structure, using **struct** keyword

```
Q5: select struct (last_name: s.name.lname, first_name:  
                      s.name.fname, gpa: s.gpa),  
from s in csdepartment.has_majors  
where s.class = ‘senior’  
order by gpa desc, last_name asc, first_name asc;
```

## •OQL Language

- Query results and path expressions
  - query result with a complex structure, using **struct** keyword

Q5a: **select struct** (last\_name: s.name.lname, first\_name: s.name.fname, gpa: s.gpa),  
**from** s **in** students  
**where** s.major\_in.dname = ‘Computer Science’ **and** s.class = ‘senior’  
**order by** gpa **desc**, last\_name **asc**, first\_name **asc**;

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Definition in O2

In O2, the schema definition uses the C++ (or JAVA) language binding for ODL as defined in ODMG.

- In C++, a particular library is used to provide classes and operations that implement the ODL constructs.
- The class library added to C++ for the ODMG standard uses the prefix **d\_** for class declaration that deal with database concepts.

`d_Object`

`d_Collection<String>`

`d_Ref<Student>` /\*a class to refer to ‘Student’ objects\*/

`d_set<d_Ref<Student>>`

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Definition in O2

```
struct Ename {  
    d_String     fname;  
    d_String     mname;  
    d_String     lname;  
}
```

```
struct Address {  
    d_Ushort     no;  
    d_String     street;  
    d_Ushort     aptno;  
    d_String     city;  
    d_String     state;  
    d_Ushort     zip;  
}
```

## •Overview of the O2 System

### - Data Definition in O2

```
class Person : public d_Object {  
public:  
    //Attributes  
    Ename                ename;  
    d_String             ssn;  
    d_Date               birthdate;  
    enum Gender{M, F}    sex;  
    Address              address;  
    //Operations  
    Person(const char* pname);  
    d_Ushort age();  
    //Extent  
    static d_Set<d_Ref<Person>> persons;  
    static const char* const extent_name; }
```

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Definition in O2

```
class Faculty : public Person {  
public:  
    //Attributes  
    d_String rank;  
    d_Float salary;  
    d_String office;  
    d_String phone;  
    //Relationship (syntax is ODMG 1.1 compliant)  
    d_Ref<Department> works_in inverse Department::has_faculty;  
    d_Set<d_Ref<GradStudent>> advise inverse GradStudent ::advisor;  
    d_Set<d_Ref<GradStudent>> on_committee_of inverse  
                                GradStudent ::committee;
```

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Definition in O2

```
//Operations
Faculty(const char* fname, d_float salary);
void give_raise(in d_float raise);
void promote(in d_String new_rank);
//Extent
static    d_Set<d_Ref<Faculty>> faculty;
static    const char* const          extent_name;
}
```

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Manipulation in O2

Application for O2 can be developed using the C++ (or JAVA) O2 binding, which provides an ODMG-compliant native language binding to the O2 database.

//Faculty Class

```
const char* const Faculty::extent_name = "faculty";
//Faculty constructor here
Faculty::Faculty(const char* fname, d_Float fsalary):
    Person(fname)
{
    salary = fsalary;
    //Put this new faculty into the extension
    faculty -> insert_element(this); }
```

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Manipulation in O2

```
void Faculty::give_raised(d_Float raise)
```

```
{
```

```
    salary += raise;
```

```
}
```

```
void Faculty::promote(d_String new_rank)
```

```
{
```

```
    rank = new_rank;
```

```
}
```

## •Overview of the O2 System

- Data Manipulation in O2

//Faculty Class

```
const char* const Faculty::extent_name = "faculty";
```

//Faculty constructor here

```
Faculty::Faculty(const char* fname, d_Float fsalary):  
    Person(fname)
```

```
{
```

```
    salary = fsalary;
```

```
    //Put this new faculty into the extension
```

```
    faculty -> insert_element(this);
```

```
}
```