

# USING COMPOSITION: WHOLE-PART BY EMBEDDING

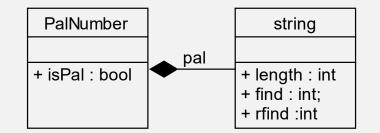
The whole sends messages to (i.e., calls functions in) its parts

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### THE GORILLA AND ITS LIVER

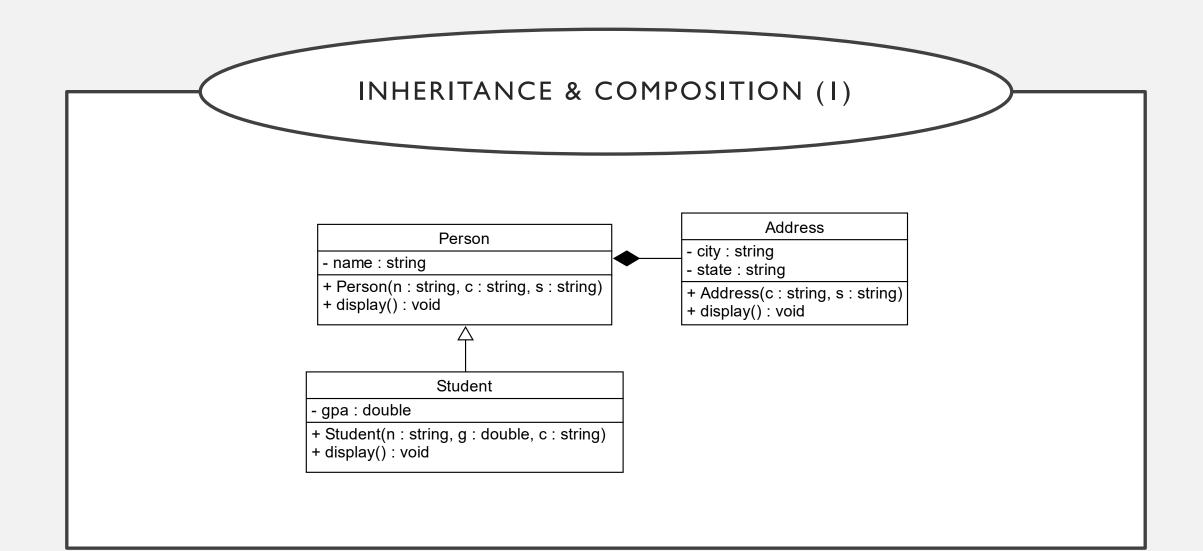
- In 1990, I attended a C++ conference
- One session was an open discussion about maintaining encapsulation and sharing object data
  - Extract the object's data to use it?
  - Maintain encapsulation by letting the object use its data for the program?
- "A gorilla has a liver and is responsible for it. Cutting out the liver to use it somewhere is messy and annoys the hell out of the gorilla."
- Conclusion: keep the gorilla happy and let it use its liver.

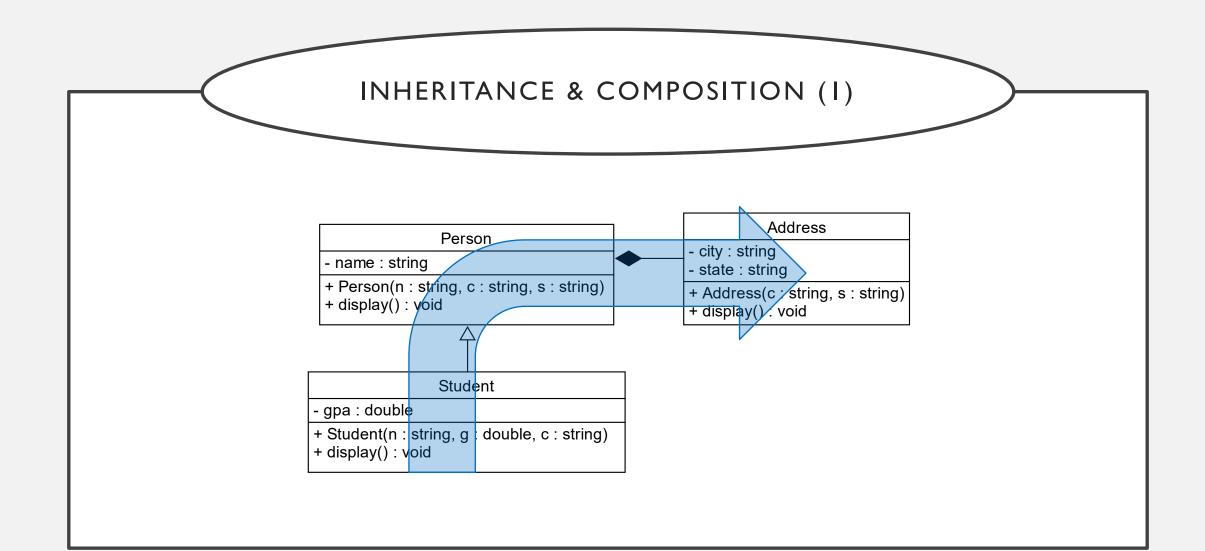
### USING SIMPLE COMPOSITION



```
class string
{
    public:
        int length() { ... }
        int find() { ... }
        int rfind() { ... }
};
```

```
class PalNumber
{
   private:
     string pal;
   public:
     bool isPal()
     {
        pal.length() ...
        pal.find() ...
     }
};
```

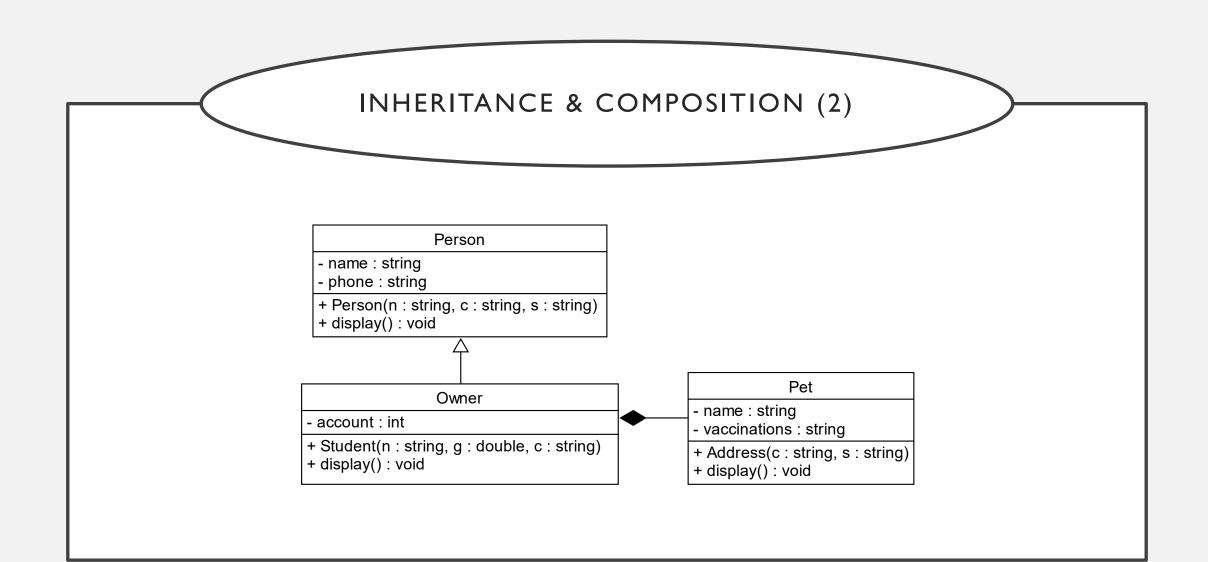


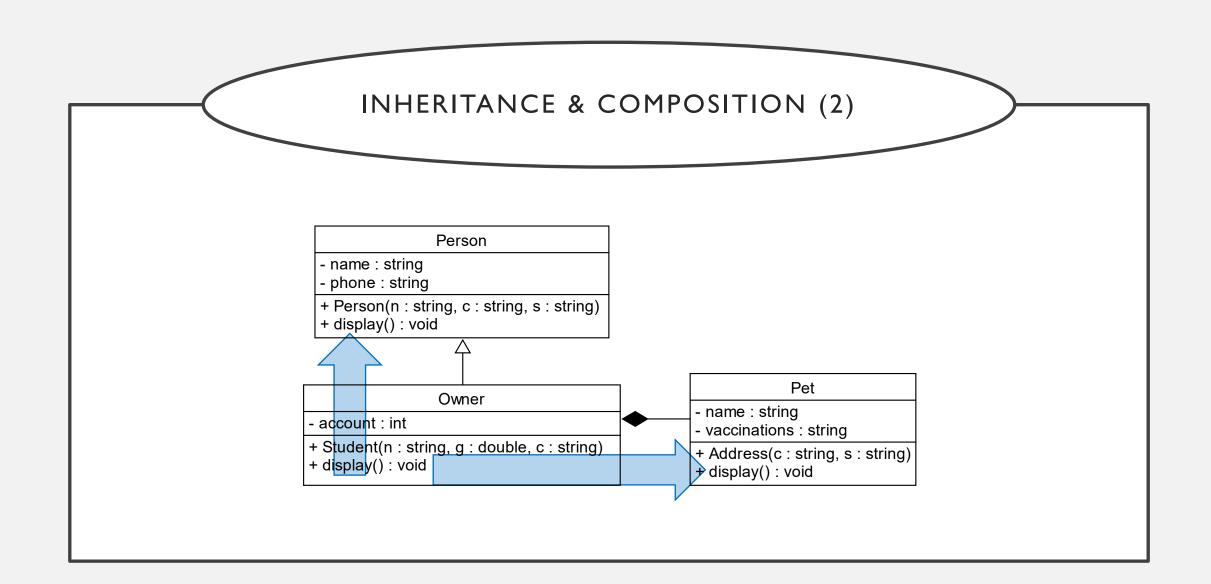


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class Address
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  public:
     void display()
         cout << city << ", " << endl;</pre>
};
class Person
  private:
     Address addr;
  public:
     void display()
     {
         cout << name << end;</pre>
         addr.display();
     }
};
```

## USING COMPOSITION WITH INHERITANCE (I)

```
class Student : public Person
{
    public:
        void display()
        {
            Person::display();
            cout << gpa << endl;
        }
}</pre>
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```
class Pet
  public:
     void display()
          cout << name << " vaccinated on "</pre>
                << vaccinations << endl;
     }
};
class Person
  public:
     void display()
     {
          cout << name << endl;</pre>
          cout << phone << endl;</pre>
     }
};
```

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```
class Owner : public Person
{
    private:
        Pet my_pet;
    public:
        void display()
        {
            Person::display();
            cout << account << endl;
            my_pet.display();
        }
};
</pre>
```