

Layered Class Diagram

--- The way to express class structures
of MixJuice programs ---

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What is layered class diagram?

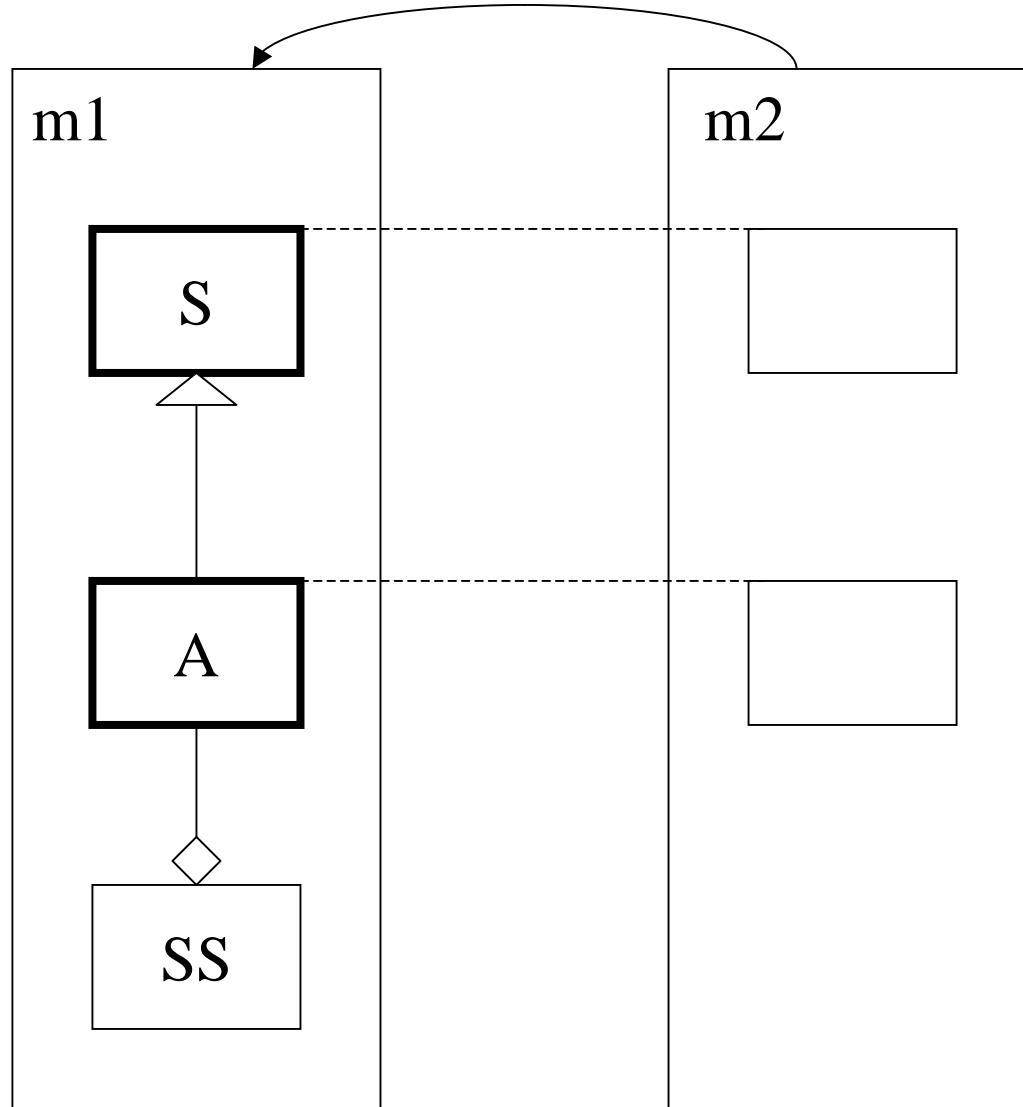
- Express how programs are extended by difference-based modules.
- Extension of ordinary class diagram.
 - All things expressed by class diagram can be expressed by layered class diagram.
- May be automatically generated from source code of MixJuice programs.

Sample program 1

```
module m1 {  
    define class S {  
        define int foo(){ return 1; }  
    }  
    define class A extends S {  
        int foo(){ return original() + 10; }  
    }  
    class SS {  
        void main(String[] args){ A a = new A(); ... }  
    }  
}
```



```
module m2 extends m1 {  
    class S { int foo(){ return original() + 2; } }  
    class A { int foo(){ return original() + 20; } }  
}
```

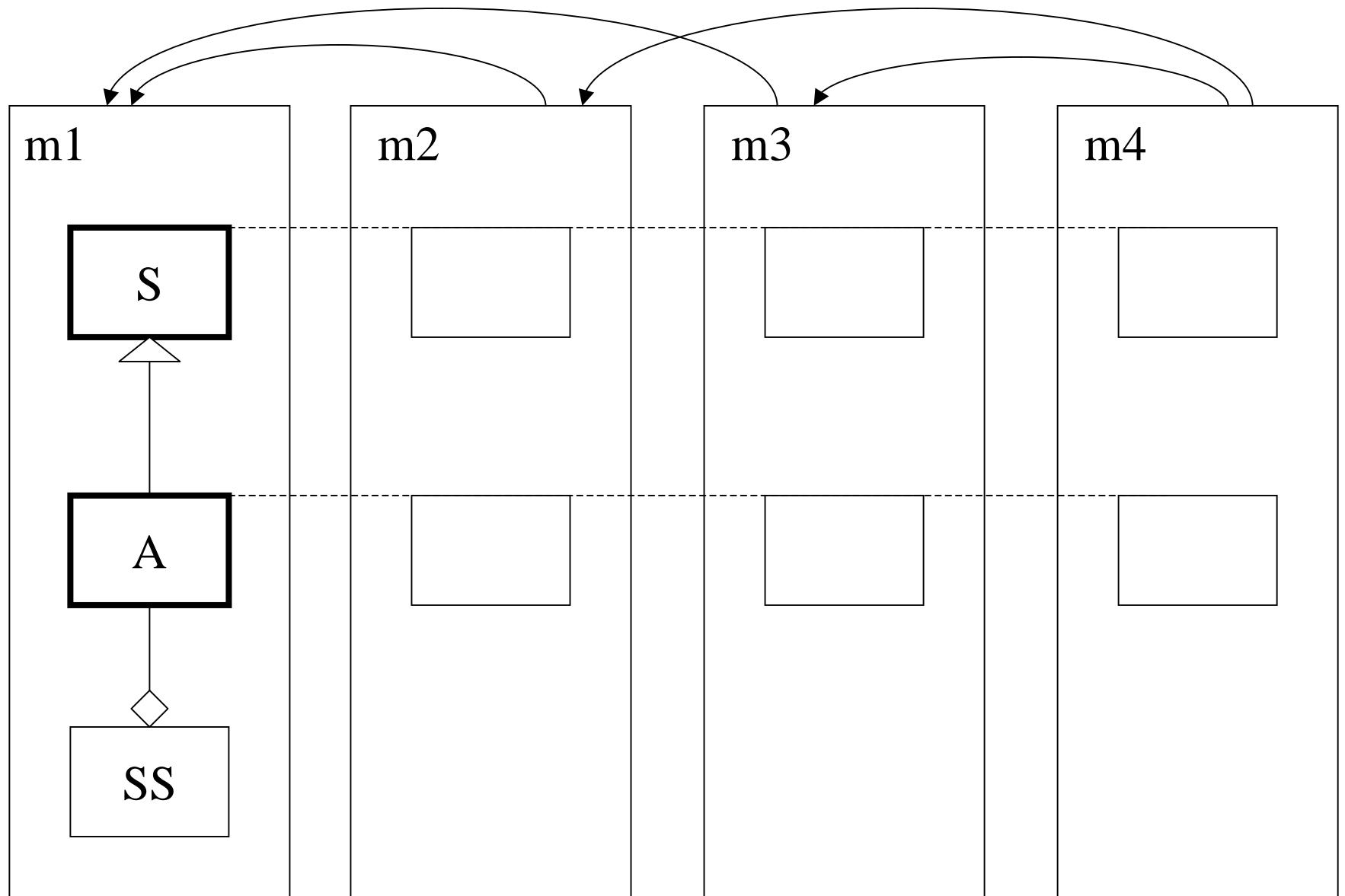


Sample program 2

```
module m3 extends m1 {  
    class S { int foo(){ return original() + 3; } }  
    class A { int foo(){ return original() + 30; } }  
}
```

```
module m4 extends m2,m3 {  
    class S { int foo(){ return original() + 4; } }  
    class A { int foo(){ return original() + 40; } }  
}
```

Diamond inheritance of modules



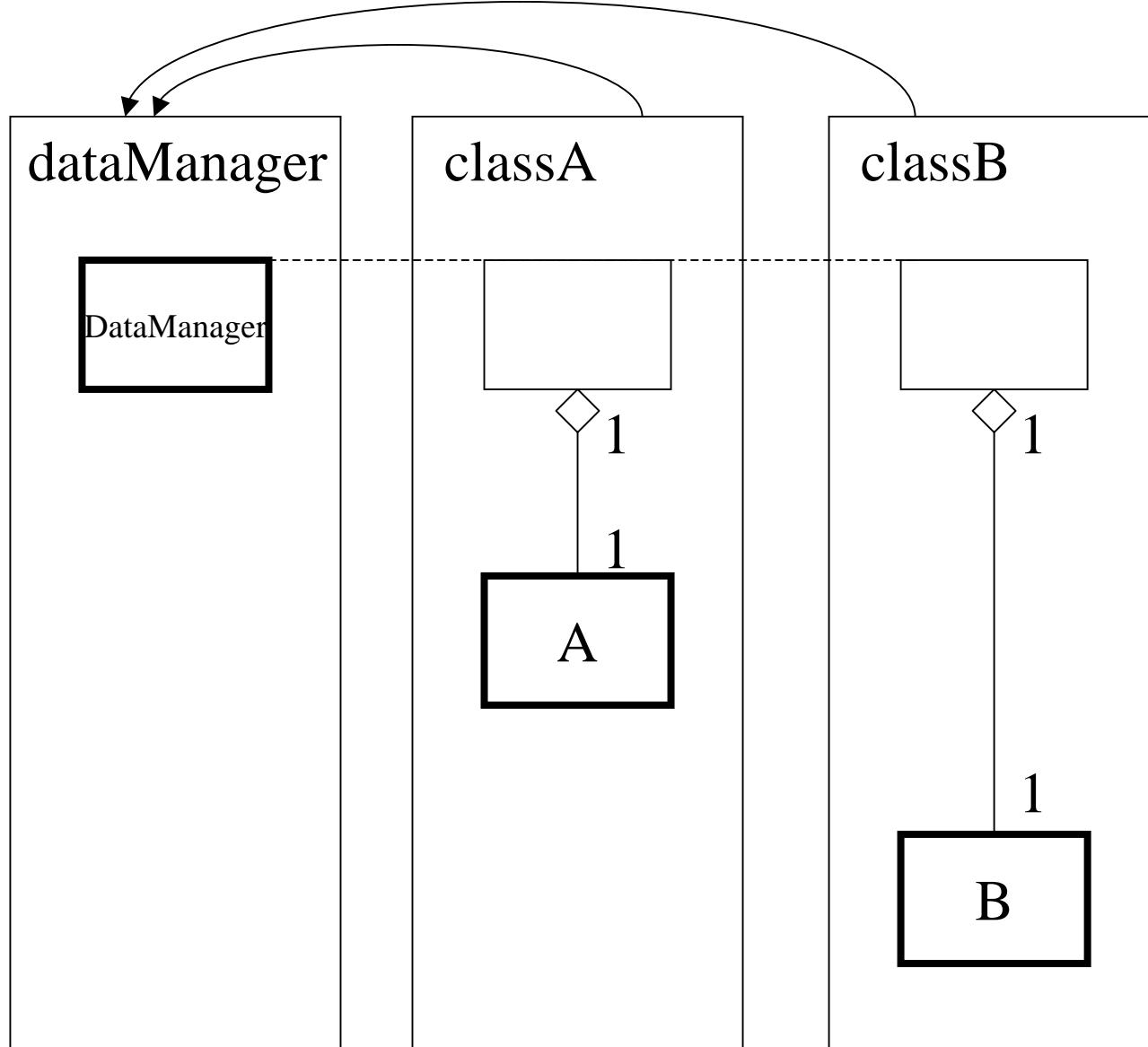
Sample program 3

```
module dataManager {  
    define class DataManeger {  
        Hashtable table = new Hashtable();  
        define void initTable(){ }  
    }  
}
```

Framework which has
an extensible method for
table initialization

```
module classA extends dataManager {  
    class DataManeger {  
        void initTable(){ original(); table.put("A", new A()); }  
        define class A { ... }  
    }  
}
```

```
module classB extends dataManager {  
    class DataManeger {  
        void initTable(){ original(); table.put("B", new B()); }  
        define class B { ... }  
    }  
}
```



Sample program 4

```
module base {  
    define class DrawFrame {  
        Figure[] allFigures = null;  
        ...  
    }  
    define class Figure { ... }  
}
```

Extensible
drawing tool
framework

New figure

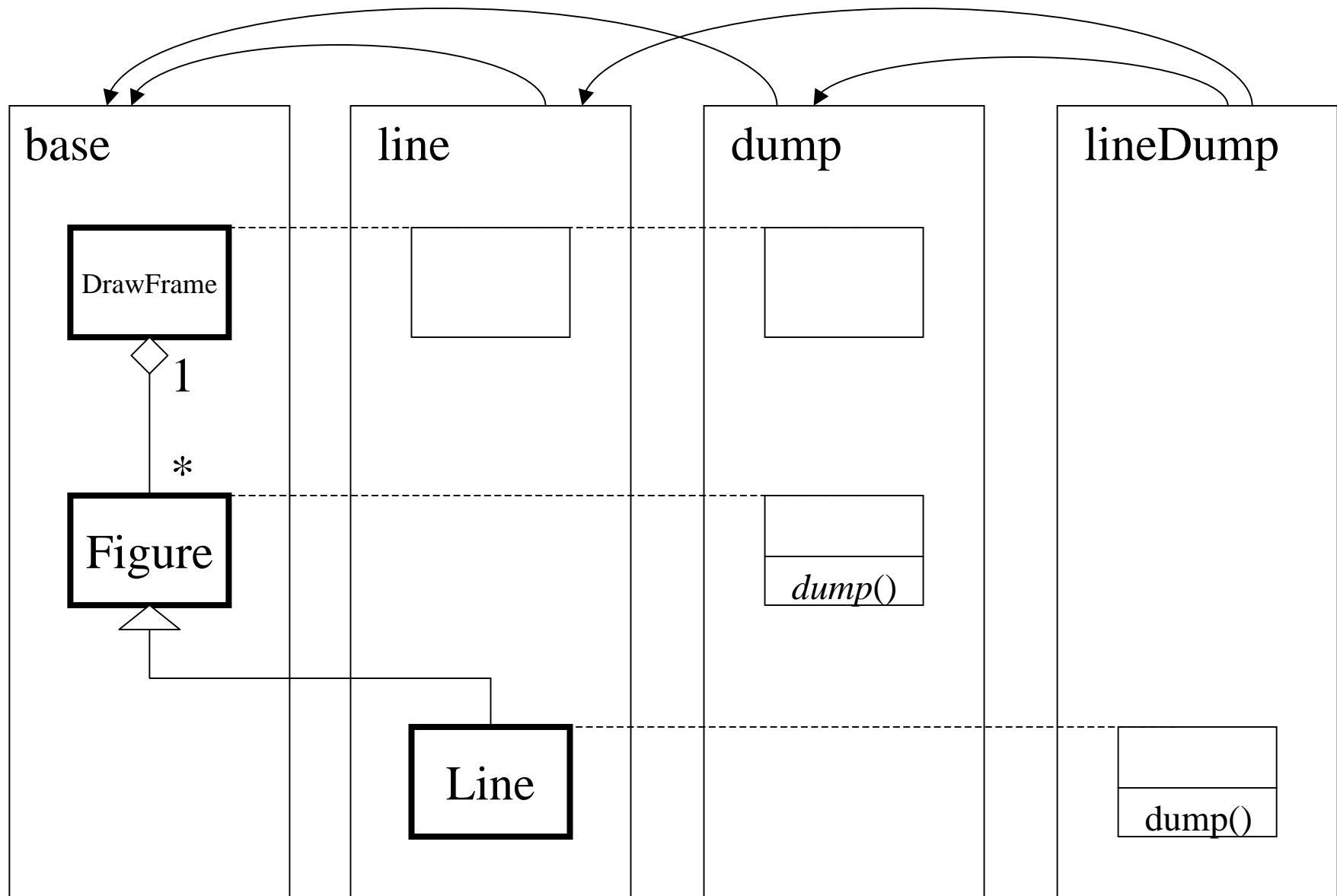
```
module line extends base {  
    class DrawFrame { ... }  
    define class Line extends Figure { ... }  
}
```

New operation

```
module dump extends base {  
    class DrawFrame { ... }  
    class Figure {  
        define abstract void dump(); } }
```

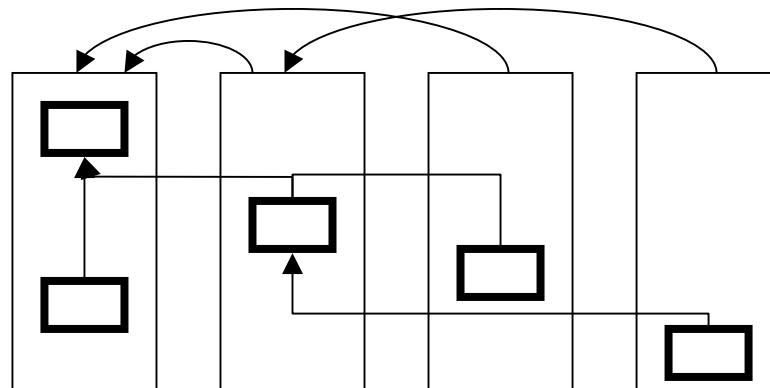
```
module lineDump complements line, dump {  
    class Line { void dump(){ ... } }  
}
```

Complementary
module



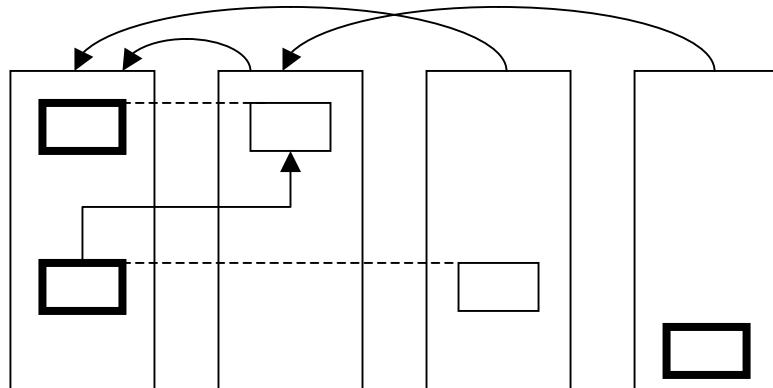
Writing rules (1/3)

- Vertical dimension is for classes,
horizontal dimension is for modules.
- Classes should be sorted from top to down according
to the class inheritance relation.
- Modules should be sorted from left to right according
to the module inheritance relation.



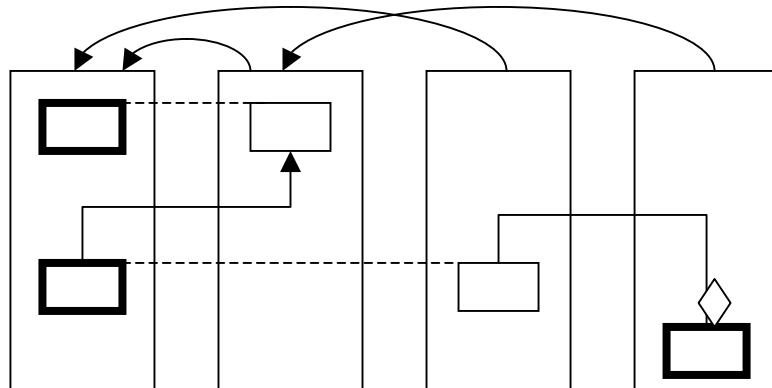
Writing rules (2/3)

- Class definitions are written with bold lines.
- The class definition and extensions for the same class should be located in the same vertical position and linked by dotted lines.



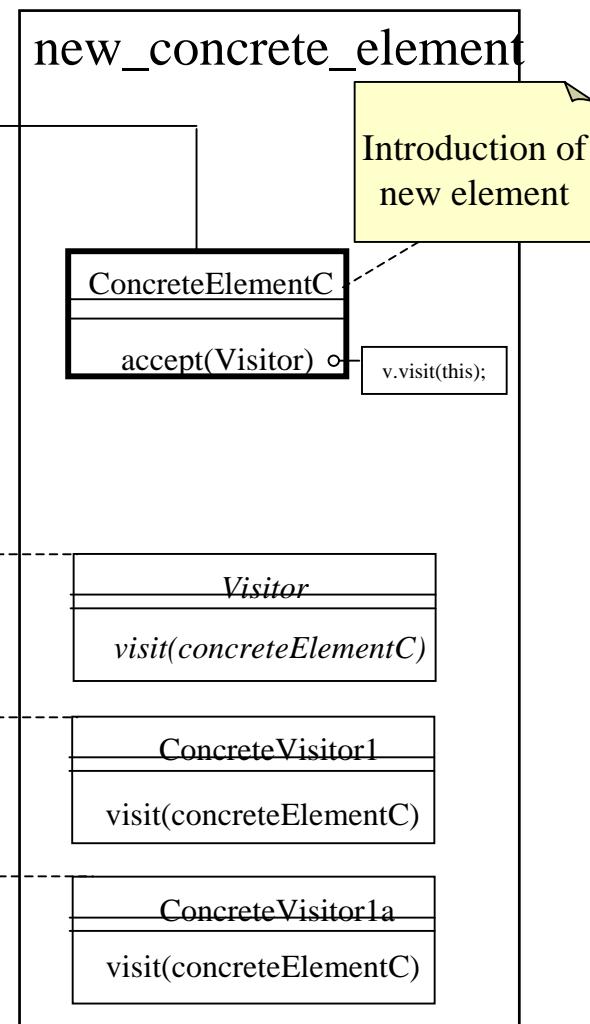
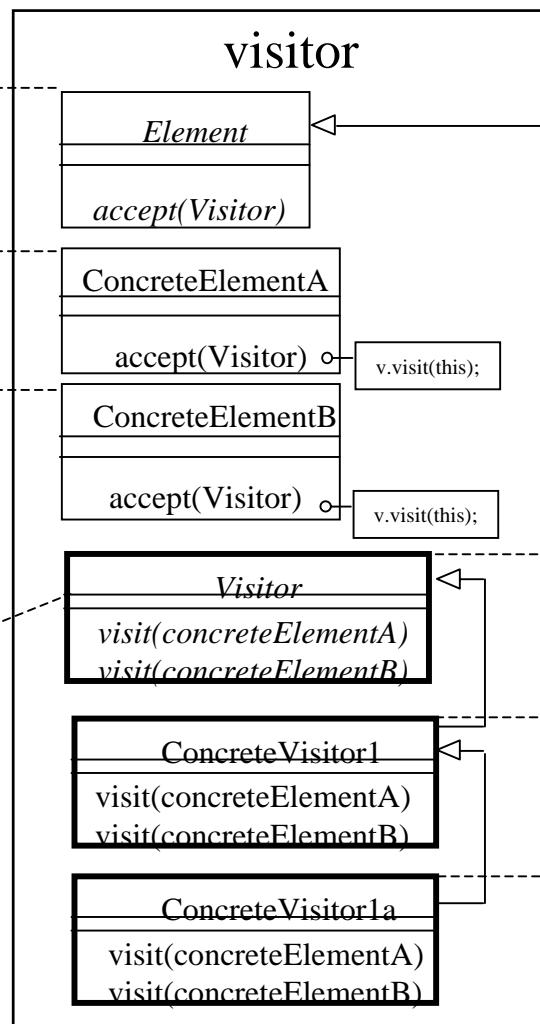
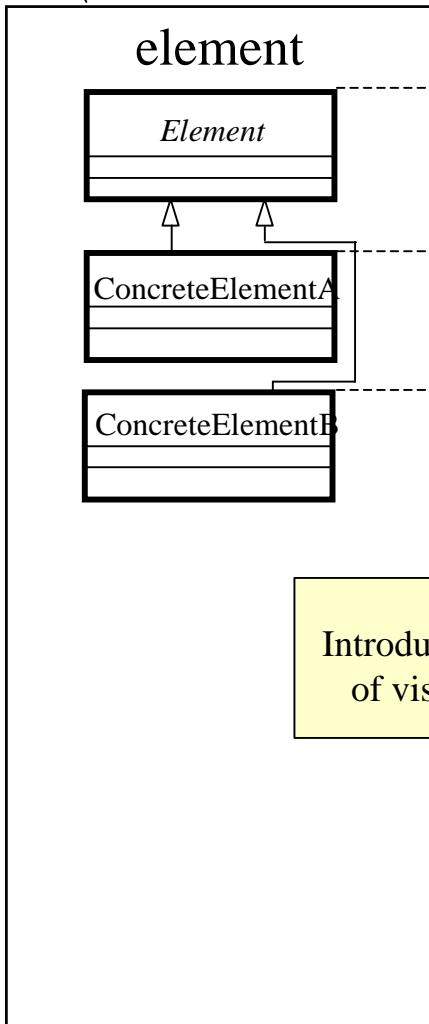
Writing rules (3/3)

- Each line for inheritance, aggregation etc. starts from the class fragment where it is introduced and ends at arbitrary fragment of the target class.



Tree structure
without visitor

ex. Visitor pattern in MixJuice



Introduction of
visitor

Introduction of
new element

Conclusion

- Layered class diagram is useful to explain how modules extend programs.
- Not only for MixJuice but also can be used for other AOP languages and open-class languages.
 - AspectJ, Hyper/J, mixin layers, PCA, ...
 - CLOS, Objective-C, Cecil, Ruby, ...
- **Comments are welcome!**