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# Preface

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# 1 Introduction

## Background – the origins of EXPRESS

In 1984, the Standards for Exchange of Product Data (STEP) project was officially created in the International Standards Organization (ISO) as an outgrowth of standardization projects in the United States and France. The objective of the STEP project was to develop standards for the exchange of product information among software tools that supported product engineering. It rapidly came to include support for construction engineering and manufacturing systems engineering as well.

An objective of this project was to specify the information content of a product description in a way that was independent of the form of exchange, so that more than one specific exchange form could be specified, while the semantic equivalences would be retained by reference to the common model. In particular, the project members envisaged the need for both database representations and sequential file structures.

At that time, there were *no* standard information modeling languages, and the languages in common use were purely graphical. In order to specify the relationships between the information model (what we would now call a "platform independent model") and the data implementation model (a "platform specific model"), it was perceived to be a requirement that the information model have a formal text form. Such a form would enable an information model to be processed by a software tool that could generate the corresponding PSM. There being no usable standard, nor any common language, with these characteristics, the STEP project developed and standardized its own information modeling language: EXPRESS.

The information modeling language EXPRESS was standardized in 1994 as Part 11 of the ISO 10303 Standards for the Exchange of Product Data. It was revised in 1999 and in 2004. It was used for every information model in the STEP series, and in 3 other standards series in ISO TC184 (Industrial Data), and for information models in standards developed by other ISO Technical Committees. As of 2005, there were over 300 major information models for manufacturing and construction information that are formally specified in EXPRESS and standardized by ISO. These models, and the EXPRESS language are in wide use in the manufacturing industry, and the exchange models are supported by dozens of software tools.

In the more recent past, in order to make these models useful to an industry in which programmers and modelers are not commonly taught EXPRESS, further ISO projects have been undertaken to produce mappings from EXPRESS to XML Schema (ISO 10303-28) and UML (ISO 10303-25). But each of these mappings was specified entirely in text and targeted version 1 of XML Schema and UML respectively.

## The MEXICO project

In 2005, the MEXICO project was created with the objective of applying OMG Model-Driven Architecture (MDA) technologies to the "EXPRESS problem". The project has three components:

- development of a MOF metamodel for the EXPRESS language
- development of a formal (MOF/QVT) mapping from the EXPRESS metamodel to the UML v2 metamodel (thus replacing ISO 10303-25 with a formal and machine-processable specification)
- development of a formal (MOF/QVT) mapping from the EXPRESS metamodel to the metamodel of OWL specified in the OMG Ontology Definition Metamodel

This specification represents the final deliverable of the first project component: the MOF metamodel of EXPRESS. Results of the other project components will be published separately.

Taken together, these elements will permit automatic generation of UML models that faithfully represent the content of any ISO standard model formulated in EXPRESS. Similarly, these elements will permit automatic generation of faithful renditions of those models in OWL, which will enable them to be used as draft ontologies and tested for logical consistency (and consistency with other models) using Semantic Web tooling. In this way, the knowledge captured in the many standard EXPRESS models can be made available and usable for 21<sup>st</sup> century technologies and practitioners.

## **Development of the EXPRESS metamodel**

The MEXICO project has developed a complete metamodel of the EXPRESS language and tooling to support it.

NIST developed an EXPRESS compiler that accepts an EXPRESS schema (model) and produces XMI (v1.1) that corresponds to the metamodel. NIST is currently reworking that compiler to produce M1 instances of the complete CMOF model herein specified in the XMI 2.1.x form.

Fraunhofer IPK developed a MOF implementation of the metamodel and used the output of the NIST tool to populate the MOF database for a set of EXPRESS schemas.

Fraunhofer developed additional tooling to implement a mapping from the MOF population to UML (v1.4) following the guidance in ISO 10303-25. This was a first step toward the goals of the second MEXICO project component.

Eurostep developed tooling to map a subset of the metamodel to OWL. This was a first step toward the goals of the third MEXICO project component. Further work in this area is continuing with Eurostep and other partners.

At the same time, a number of other tool vendors who support the EXPRESS modeling community have developed independent internal models of EXPRESS and mappings to various languages, including UML, OWL, and XML Schema. (Many of them are listed as "supporters" of this specification.) We all agree that the time has come to standardize an XMI representation of EXPRESS, so as to permit these tools to interoperate around a common representation.

This specification is the metamodel of the semantics of the EXPRESS language that was developed and tested in the MEXICO project. It represents completion of the first subproject in the MEXICO trilogy. And it has value in its own right to other EXPRESS tool developers. For this reason, we are bringing it to OMG for standardization.

Participants in the metamodel development activity include four "technical experts" who participated in the development of the EXPRESS language itself. It also includes technical experts who were principal developers of the Part 25 (mapping to UML) and Part 28 (mapping to XML Schema) standards. This expertise gives us confidence that the metamodel is faithful to the semantic intent of the EXPRESS standard.

To be clear about what has been "tested": For the MEXICO proof-of-concept tooling, all the tools were built to a version of the metamodel known as version 060615f. Only the NIST tool dealt with the concepts "internal to" Algorithms: Variables, Statements, and ActualTypes. Parallel work at the New University of Lisbon (UNINOVA) developed tooling for an elaborate model of Statements. The major change in this specification is the integration of the UNINOVA model, and related changes and repairs to the Algorithms Package.

Further, to satisfy the current level of technical expectations in OMG, the MOF 1.4 version has been modified to a CMOF version in this version. Several errors have been discovered and they are corrected in this version.

## **Acknowledgements**

This specification is derived in part from early work on the development of a metamodel of EXPRESS (that was itself specified in EXPRESS) by Prof. Donald Sanderson of East Tennessee State University, Dr. Philip Spiby of Eurostep, Dr. Markus Maier of PDTEC, and Dr. Peter Wilson of Boeing Corporation (now retired).

Every organization listed as a submitter or supporter has made some technical contribution to this specification.



## 2 Scope and Purpose

This specification is a metamodel for the EXPRESS information modeling language, as defined by ISO 10303-11.2:2004, Product data exchange – EXPRESS Language Reference Manual. It includes all elements of the language.

The metamodel conforms to the OMG Complete Meta-Object Facility (CMOF) specification, version 2.0.

The metamodel captures the meaning of the EXPRESS syntactic constructs, not the syntactic constructs themselves. It differs from an abstract syntactic model of the language when either:

- the same syntax is used with different semantics in different contexts, or
- the syntax is more complex than the semantic content it expresses.

Some attributes of concepts in the metamodel serve only to permit the EXPRESS syntactic form to be recreated from the metamodel instance. Such attributes are so described.

The purpose of this specification is to provide a common basis for communication among tools that create or compile EXPRESS models, analyze them, and/or map them to various forms of implementation specifications.

It is also intended to serve as a basis for the definition of formal standard mappings to other modeling and implementation languages.

## 3 Normative References

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this specification. Subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not necessarily apply. However, users and implementors of this specification are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. ISO and OMG maintain registers of currently valid specifications.

ISO 10303, *Industrial data – Product data exchange – Part 11: EXPRESS Language Reference Manual*, ed. 2, 2004.

OMG *Meta-Object Facility (MOF) Core Specification*, v2.0, January, 2006, (formal/06-01-01)

OMG *XML Metadata Interchange (XMI) Specification*, v2.1.1, December, 2007, (formal/07-12-01)

## 4 Conformance

An exchange document can conform to this specification as specified in 4.1. A tool can conform as a producer, as specified in 4.2, or as a processor, as specified in 4.3, or both. In addition, it is possible for a tool to conform to one or more of the compliance points specified in 4.4, as a part of conformance as a producer or a processor.

### 4.1 Conformance of an exchange document

An exchange document conforms to this specification if

- it is a valid XMI exchange document and represents a MOF M1 model that is consistent with the M2 metamodel defined in clauses 6-12 of this specification; and
- the M1 model represents a valid EXPRESS schema as defined by ISO 10303-11.2:2004.

Representation of an EXPRESS schema need not include representation of all elements of the schema. It shall include all elements of the schema that can be represented by elements of the Core Package, as defined in clause 7.

### 4.2 Conformance as a producer (pre-processor)

A software tool conforms to this specification *as a producer* if it produces conforming exchange documents as specified in 4.1.

A software tool may claim conformance to a given compliance point as a producer if the exchange document it produces for any given EXPRESS schema contains representations of all the EXPRESS model elements that correspond to that compliance point.

### **4.3 Conformance as a (post-)processor**

A software tool conforms to this specification *as a processor* if

- it can accept any and all exchange documents that conform as specified in 4.1; and
- it can interpret all EXPRESS concepts modeled by elements in the Core Package.

The nature of the process performed on the EXPRESS schema that is represented by a document that it accepts is not specified by this standard, but the interpretation of the EXPRESS schema in that process shall be consistent with the interpretation given by ISO 10303-11.

A software tool may claim conformance to a given compliance point as a processor if it can also interpret all the EXPRESS model elements that correspond to that compliance point.

### **4.4 Compliance points**

In addition to support of the elements in the Core Package, a tool may support any of the additional compliance points defined below.

#### **4.4.1 Compliance point: Instances**

A tool conforms to the Instances compliance point by producing or interpreting model elements defined in the Instances Package.

#### **4.4.2 Compliance point: Algorithms**

A tool conforms to the Algorithms compliance point by producing or interpreting model elements defined in the Algorithms and Instances Packages. Conformance to this compliance point requires Statements to be produced as text, if the Statements compliance point is not supported. It makes no requirements for the interpretation of Statements.

#### **4.4.3 Compliance point: Rules**

A tool conforms to the Rules compliance point by producing or interpreting model elements defined in the Rules, Algorithms and Instances Packages. Conformance to this compliance point requires Statements to be produced as text, if the Statements compliance point is not supported. It makes no requirements for the interpretation of Statements.

#### **4.4.4 Compliance point: Expressions**

A tool conforms to the Expressions compliance point by producing or interpreting model elements defined in the Expressions, Algorithms and Instances Packages.

A tool that conforms as a producer to this compliance point shall not represent any Expression solely as text. That is, it shall represent every EXPRESS expression properly as the subtype of Expression that models it.

Conformance to this compliance point requires Statements to be produced as text, if the Statements compliance point is not supported. It makes no requirements for the interpretation of Statements.

#### **4.4.5 Compliance point: Statements**

A tool that conforms to the Statements compliance point shall conform to the Expressions compliance point, and shall produce or interpret model elements defined in the Statements Package as well.

A tool that conforms as a producer to this compliance point shall not represent any Statement solely as text. That is, it shall represent every EXPRESS statement properly as the subtype of Statement that models it.

#### **4.4.6 Compliance point: Express2**

A tool conforms to the Express2 compliance point shall conform to the Statements compliance point and to the Rules compliance point. A tool that conforms to the Express2 compliance point shall fully support all elements of the EXPRESS language.

## **5 Terms and Definitions**

### **5.1 Unified Modeling Language (UML) terms**

The following terms are taken from the Unified Modeling Language (UML) Specification, and are used with the definitions given in that specification:

- abstract
- association
- association end
- attribute
- class
- constraint
- dependency
- derived
- enumeration
- multiplicity
- navigable
- package
- stereotype
- tagged value

### **5.2 EXPRESS terms**

The following terms are taken from the EXPRESS Language Reference Manual, and are used with the definitions given in that specification:

- aggregate, and aggregation
- algorithm
- constant
- domain
- entity, and entity type
- function
- identifier
- instance
- inverse
- keyword
- member
- parameter
- population
- rule
- schema
- scope
- statement
- subtype
- supertype
- type

Some of these terms have the same orthography as certain UML terms that are not used in this specification. The following terms are used in this specification with their UML interpretation and are prefixed by "EXPRESS" whenever they are used with their EXPRESS interpretation:

- abstract
- attribute
- data type
- derived
- enumeration

## 5.3 Terms for model elements

This specification defines a number of metaclasses, associations, attributes and association end names. Each of those becomes a term that may be used in other definitions and requirements.

When a term is capitalized in the text, e.g., Schema, it refers to the metaclass with that identifier, and by extension, to the semantic concept that it represents.

In the text, a term beginning with a period (.) and set in Courier font, e.g., `.namespace`, refers to the attribute or association end with that name that is owned by the class being described.

Note: Other than these conventions, some terms that refer to model elements have the same spelling as terms used in UML and EXPRESS. The convention denotes the intended distinction. In most cases, however, when the EXPRESS term and the model element identifier have the same spelling, the model element models the concept designated by the EXPRESS term.

## 5.4 Additional terms introduced in this specification

The following additional terms are introduced in this specification:

### **instance package**

A UML Package that comprises only declarations of individual objects that represent fixed instances of metaclasses defined in the parent package.

### **namespace**

the domain of interpretation of a body of EXPRESS text in which a given identifier is associated with a given model element.

## 6 Document Conventions

This specification is a Complete Meta-Object Facility (CMOF) specification of the EXPRESS metamodel, conforming to the OMG Meta-Object Facility Core specification v2.0, as an M2 model.

The only CMOF features (beyond those of EMOF) that are used in this specification are:

- Specialization of primitive types
- Generalization of associations
- Subsetting of properties

The stereotype `<implicit>` is used only as a drawing convention to show relationships that exist as more complex paths than are actually depicted. These associations do not exist in this form in the metamodel itself. These are used only to show important conceptual relationships on the diagrams.

The stereotype `<metaclass>` appears on some of the diagrams and not on others. Some of the class diagrams in this specification were created by the original UML tool for the project, and some by a later tool that supported the CMOF features. Only the latter tool understood the concept “metaclass”. All of the classes specified in this metamodel are meta-classes, and all of the data types are meta-datatypes, regardless of notational convention. The notation will be made consistent in the published form of this specification.

MOF 2.0 requires that every association be named, even those that are navigable in only one direction. In this specification, all the association names are shown, but the names of unidirectional associations are shown in small type, and the documentation describes only the owned association end.

Similarly, MOF 2.0 requires that every association end be named, even those that are not navigable. In this specification, the names of non-navigable association ends are not shown and not documented. They do appear in the UML and CMOF XMI files for the metamodel (see below).

For derived attributes and associations, the derivation is shown as the tagged-value `derivation`.

The model specified in this document is available in two XMI forms as well:

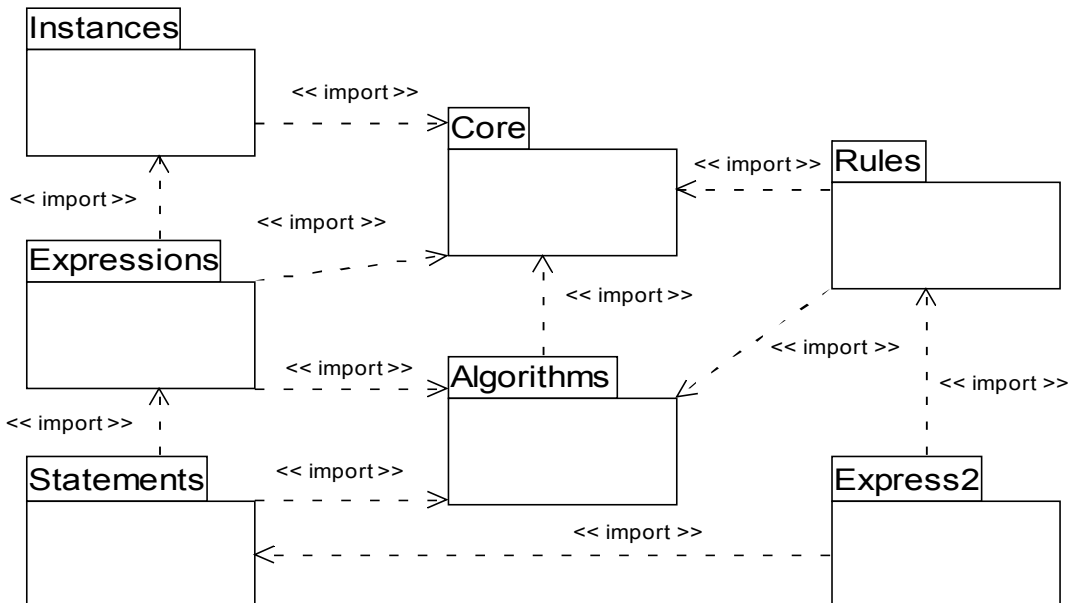
- OMG document mantis/2008-02-03 is the UML2 model
- OMG document mantis/2008-02-04 is the CMOF model.



# 7 Overview of the EXPRESS Metamodel

This specification is a metamodel for the EXPRESS information modeling language, as defined by ISO 10303-11.

The Metamodel is composed of 7 packages, which are related as shown in 7.



**Figure 1 - EXPRESS Metamodel Packages**

The Core Package contains all of the generally required modeling elements of EXPRESS, along with some basic metamodel artifacts. It is the foundation on which all of the other packages are built. The Core Package is the minimal implementation of the EXPRESS Metamodel.

The Instances Package contains the model of instances that conform to the EXPRESS types. This package is needed to support many of the concepts in EXPRESS rules.

The Algorithms Package contains the model of function and procedure definitions. This model is needed to support Expressions, and some of its features are used in Global Rules.

The Rules Package contains the models of RULEs and SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINTS, which rely on the notion of extents of types with populations.

The Expressions Package contains a model of expressions that includes all details of value manipulation that are described in Clause 12 of ISO 10303-11.

The Statements Package contains a model of the executable statements that may be contained in the body of functions and procedures. It contains all of the concepts in Clause 13 of ISO 10303-11.

The Express2 Package contains nothing in its own right. It imports everything defined in the metamodel, and thus serves as the package that models the entire EXPRESS language.

## 8 Package: Core

The Core package contains all of the generally required modeling elements of EXPRESS, including:

- Scopes and Naming concepts
- Schemas
- (Data) Types
- Entities, Attributes and Relationships
- Domain Constraints

The Core package also includes the abstract classes Expression and Instance, which serve as linking points for detailed models contained in other packages.

### 8.1 Dependencies

none.

### 8.2 MOF Metamodel Datatypes

The following basic data types from the MOF metamodel are used in this package with the interpretation given in the MOF specification.

#### 8.2.1 Datatype: Boolean

Definition: MOF metatype for logical values.

#### 8.2.2 Datatype: Integer

Definition: MOF metatype for numeric information.

Note: All integer values used in this metamodel are non-negative.

#### 8.2.3 Datatype: String

Definition: MOF Metatype for arbitrary character (code) representation.

### 8.3 EXPRESS Language Datatypes

#### 8.3.1 Datatype: ExpressText

Definition: Represents any EXPRESS language text, including both unparsed text and specific syntactic elements..

Note: See clause 7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

##### 8.3.1.1 Supertypes

Realization type is . [MOF::String](#)

The realization relationship is modeled as a generalization.

##### 8.3.1.2 Members

none.



## 8.3.2 Datatype: Identifier

Definition: EXPRESS language element used for naming NamedElements.

Note: See 7.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.3.2.1 Supertypes

[ExpressText](#).

### 8.3.2.2 Members

none.

## 8.3.3 Datatype: Keyword

Definition: EXPRESS language element used for names of built-in data types.

Note: See 7.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.3.3.1 Supertypes

[ExpressText](#).

### 8.3.3.2 Members

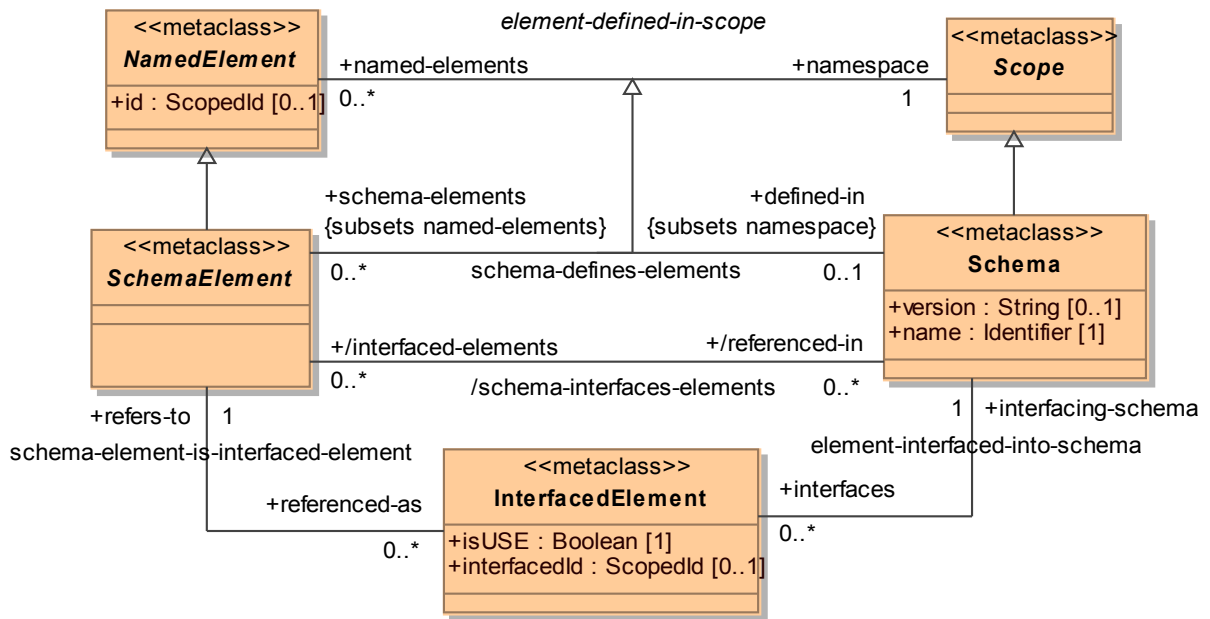
none.

## 8.4 Schemas, Scopes and Naming

This section of the Core model introduces the naming and namespace concepts of the EXPRESS language.

An EXPRESS model consists primarily of a set of NamedElements – model elements that have (or may have) identifiers. Per Clause 10 of ISO 10303-11, every NamedElement has a Scope in which it is "visible", that is, a collection of model contexts in which the identifier refers to that NamedElement. Such identifiers are modeled here as ScopedIds – the combination of an Identifier and the namespace (Scope) in which it is defined (see 8.4.10).

The primary Scope/namespace of an EXPRESS model is a Schema. All model elements, except those that are predefined in the EXPRESS language, are defined in some Schema. Interfacing is the mechanism by which an EXPRESS Schema includes model elements defined in other Schemas. 8.4 shows the basic Scope, Schema and Interfacing concepts of EXPRESS.



**Figure 2 - Scopes and Schemas**

There are three general subclasses of Scope: Schemas, Local Scopes, and Type Scopes. These Scope concepts are shown in 8.4. All of these concepts are defined in detail below, except for NamedType – the scope of TypeElements – which is defined in 8.5.1.

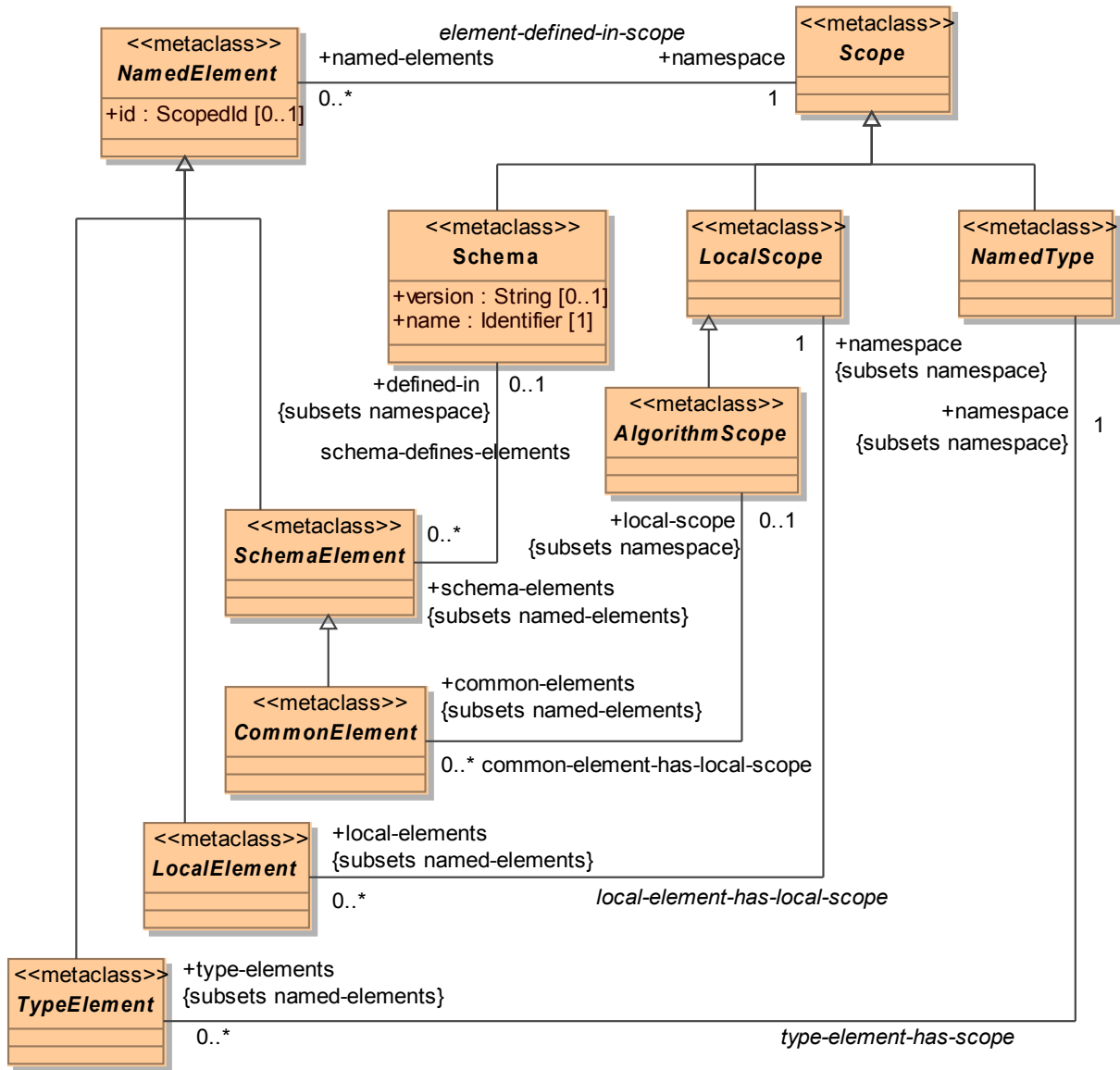


Figure 3 - EXPRESS Scope and Named Element Concepts

## 8.4.1 Class: AlgorithmScope

Definition: A LocalScope that can be the namespace of CommonElements.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.1.1 Supertypes

[LocalScope](#)

### 8.4.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.4.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: common-elements**      **To: [CommonElement](#)**

via: [common-element-has-local-scope](#)

Subsets: [Scope.named-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an AlgorithmScope and the CommonElements that are defined in it. This is a refinement of the (abstract) Scope.named-elements relationship.

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: variables**      **To: [Algorithms::LocalVariable](#)**

via: [Algorithms::variable-defined-in-scope](#)

Subsets: [LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the AlgorithmScope and the set of LocalVariables that are defined within it.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 8.4.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.4.2 Class: CommonElement

Definition: a SchemaElement that can be defined in either a Schema or a LocalScope, and has (or may have) a unique identifier within that Scope. This is an artifact of the declaration and namespace rules for the EXPRESS language. NamedTypes, Algorithms, Constants, and SupertypeRules can be defined at the Schema level or within Algorithms and GlobalRules (AlgorithmScopes).

Every CommonElement has a Scope. The Scope is either a SchemaScope or an AlgorithmScope.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.2.1 Supertypes

[SchemaElement](#)

### 8.4.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.4.2.3 Associations

Note: The AssociationEnd: defined-in to Schema is inherited from SchemaElement.

**AssociationEnd: local-scope**      **To: [AlgorithmScope](#)**

via: [common-element-has-local-scope](#)

Subsets: [NamedElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a CommonElement that is defined in an AlgorithmScope and the scope in which it is defined; also, the scope (set of model elements) in which the id of the CommonElement refers to that CommonElement.

Note: See Clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### 8.4.2.4 Other Roles

none.

#### 8.4.2.5 Rules

##### Constraint has-scope (OCL)

```
exists(self->defined-in) XOR exists(self->local-scope)
```

A CommonElement has exactly one scope, either a Schema (via defined-in), or a LocalScope.

### 8.4.3 Class: InterfacedElement

Definition: represents the EXPRESS "interface" relationship (USE, REFERENCE) between an interfacing Schema and one SchemaElement that is defined in some other Schema. It can be viewed as a "role" of the .refers-to SchemaElement in the interfacing schema. Because a given schema can only interface a given SchemaElement once, the combination (.interfacing-schema, .refers-to) uniquely identifies an InterfacedElement relationship.

Note: See clause 11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.4.3.1 Supertypes

none.

#### 8.4.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: interfacedId**

**To: [ScopedId](#)**

Definition: the new Identifier for the .refers-to SchemaElement in the interfacing schema.

Note: See clause 11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**Attribute: isUSE**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if the interfacing statement is USE; False otherwise. isUSE can only be True if the interfaced (.refers-to) SchemaElement is a NamedType. The interpretation of USE is that Instances of the interfaced NamedType are permitted to be "independent entities" in a Population governed by the interfacing Schema. When the interfacing statement is REFERENCE, Instances of that NamedType exist only to fulfill some Attribute of an entity that is ultimately dependent on an "independent entity".

Note: See clause 11.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.4.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: interfacing-schema**      **To: [Schema](#)**

via: [element-interfaced-into-schema](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the InterfacedElement and the Schema in which it appears. If the InterfacedElement renames the .refers-to SchemaElement, the interfacing-schema is the namespace for the .interfacedId.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: refers-to**                      **To: [SchemaElement](#)**

via: [schema-element-is-interfaced-element](#)

Definition: represents the SchemaElement being imported (interfaced) into the interfacing schema as the InterfacedElement.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.4.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.4.4 Class: LocalElement

Definition: An abstract class, representing NamedElements whose scope is a LocalScope. No LocalElement is defined in the Core package.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.4.1 Supertypes

[NamedElement](#)

### 8.4.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.4.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: namespace**                      **To: [LocalScope](#)**

Subsets: [NamedElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the Scope in which the LocalElement is defined. Unlike SchemaElements, a LocalElement is instantiated only in the context of a particular "use" or "invocation" of the Scope in which it is defined. As a consequence, a LocalElement can be instantiated more than once in interpreting a Population under a given Schema, and each such instantiation has a "lifetime" corresponding to that use/invocation

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.4.5 Class: LocalScope

Definition: A Scope that is neither a Schema nor a NamedType. Terms defined in a LocalScope are not visible at the Schema level.

Note: See Clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.5.1 Supertypes

[Scope](#)

### 8.4.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.4.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: local-elements**                      **To: [LocalElement](#)**

Subsets: [Scope.named-elements](#)

Definition: the LocalElements that are defined in the LocalScope. (A LocalScope that is an AlgorithmScope may also be the scope of CommonElements.)

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.4.6 Class: NamedElement

Definition: An abstract class representing a principal modeling concept of the EXPRESS language: an object that is defined in a model, has a notion of "lifetime", and has an identifier that refers to it in Schemas or in some nested Scope in a Schema.

Note: Every NamedElement has an .id attribute whose value is a ScopedId. Some NamedElements are not required to have identifiers, and some NamedElements can have additional identifiers. The scope of each such identifier is the Scope in which the NamedElement is defined.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.6.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.4.6.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**    **To: [ScopedId](#)**

Definition: Represents the identifier that uniquely identifies the NamedElement within the Scope that is the .namespace. Not all NamedElements are required to have identifiers.

Note: See Clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.4.6.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: documentation** To: [Remark](#)

via: [remark-describes-element](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a NamedElement and the Remarks, if any, that constitute its in-schema documentation. If the Scope (.appears-in) of the Remark is, or is contained in, a different Schema from the declaration of the NamedElement, the Remark only applies to the NamedElement as-interfaced.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [Scope](#)

Definition: represents the abstract relationship between a NamedElement and the "scope" in which it is defined, i.e. the set of model elements for which that name refers to that NamedElement

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.6.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.4.7 Class: Schema

Definition: a Scope that represents an EXPRESS SCHEMA, i.e. a collection of SchemaElement declarations and interface declarations.

Note: "Schema" is a reserved word in EXPRESS; if this metamodel is converted to EXPRESS, this class must be renamed. See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.4.7.1 Supertypes

[Scope](#)

### 8.4.7.2 Attributes

**Attribute: name** To: [Identifier](#)

Definition: the name of the EXPRESS schema.

Note: See clause 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: version** To: [Identifier](#)

Definition: the version identifier for the EXPRESS schema, if any.

Note: See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1



### 8.4.7.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: documentation**                      **To: [Remark](#)**

via: [remark-describes-schema](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the Remarks, if any, that constitute its in-schema documentation. If the Scope (.appears-in) of the Remark is a different Schema, the Remark only applies to the Schema as-interfaced.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004. Technically the Schema is a named element of the EXPRESS language, but it has no defined Scope.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: interfaced-elements**                      **To: [SchemaElement](#)**

via: [schema-interfaces-elements](#)

Definition: represents relationship between a Schema and the SchemaElements it interfaces from other Schemas. .interfaced-elements = .interfaces.refers-to

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->interfaces->refers-to
```

**AssociationEnd: interfaces**                                      **To: [InterfacedElement](#)**

via: [element-interfaced-into-schema](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the InterfacedElements it contains, that is, the SchemaElements that it imports/interfaces from other Schemas.

Note: See clause 11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: schema-elements**                      **To: [SchemaElement](#)**

via: [schema-defines-elements](#)

Subsets: [Scope.named-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Schema and the SchemaElements that are defined in it, as distinct from those that are interfaced into it.

Note: See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 8.4.7.4 Other Roles

**From: [Instances::Population](#) as governing-schema**

## 8.4.8 Class: SchemaElement

Definition: a NamedElement whose scope can be a Schema. This includes all CommonElements and GlobalRule. The scope of CommonElements can be a Schema, but is not required to be a Schema.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.8.1 Supertypes

[NamedElement](#)

### 8.4.8.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.4.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: defined-in** To: [Schema](#)

via: [schema-defines-elements](#)

Subsets: [NamedElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the SchemaElement and the Schema in which it is (originally) defined.

Note: See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: referenced-as** To: [InterfacedElement](#)

via: [schema-element-is-interfaced-element](#)

Definition: represents a use of the SchemaElement in some Schema other than the one in which it is defined. Only a SchemaElement whose scope is a Schema can be referenced as an InterfacedElement.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: referenced-in** To: [Schema](#)

via: [schema-interfaces-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SchemaElement and the Schemas, if any, it is interfaced into.

Properties: derived

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->referenced-as->interfacing-schema
```

### 8.4.8.4 Other Roles

none.

### 8.4.8.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->defined-in) OR NOT exists(self->referenced-as)
```

Only a SchemaElement that is defined-in a Schema can be referenced-as an InterfacedElement.

## 8.4.9 Class: Scope

Definition: any EXPRESS object that defines a namespace for the interpretation of identifiers.

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### **8.4.9.1 Supertypes**

none.

### **8.4.9.2 Attributes**

none.

### **8.4.9.3 Associations**

**AssociationEnd: includes-remarks**      **To: [Remark](#)**

via: [remark-appears-in-scope](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the Remarks that appear in it.

Note: See 7.1.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: named-elements**      **To: [NamedElement](#)**

Definition: represents the abstract relationship between a Scope and the NamedElements that are defined in it.

Note: This relationship is very much conceptual. Not every kind of NamedElement can be defined in every kind of Scope. See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: abstract

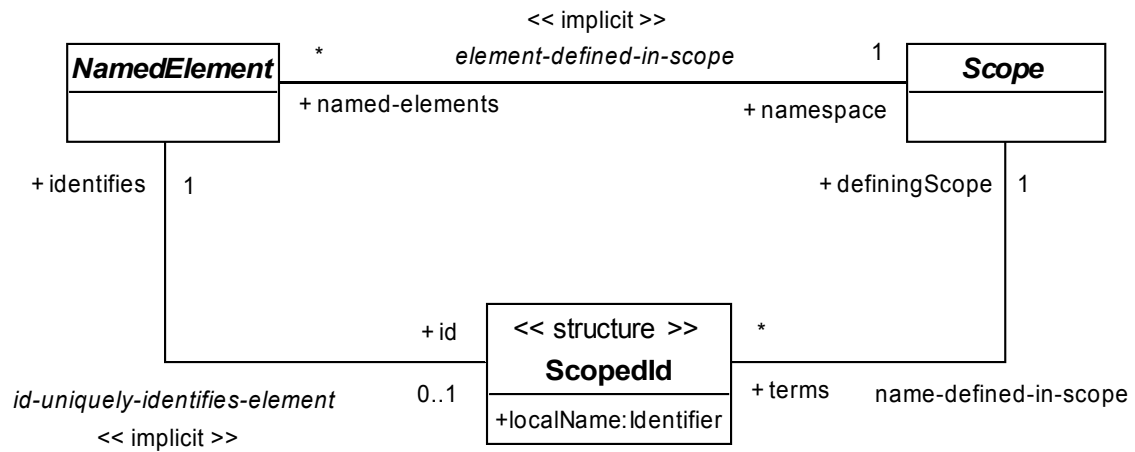
### **8.4.9.4 Other Roles**

**From: [Expression](#) as interpretation-context**

## **8.4.10 Datatype: ScopedId**

Stereotypes: structure

Definition: The combination of an Identifier and its namespace, which together constitute a well-defined symbol for an EXPRESS ModelElement. 8.4.10 shows the conceptual model of a ScopedId. A ScopedId whose Scope is a Schema is visible throughout the Schema, and possibly to other Schemas that interface the NamedElement. A ScopedId whose Scope is a LocalScope is visible only in that LocalScope. A ScopedId whose Scope is a NamedType is visible only in the declaration of that NamedType and in Expressions involving references to elements whose data type is that NamedType.



**Figure 4 - Conceptual Model of ScopedId**

### 8.4.10.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.4.10.2 Members

**Member: definingScope**

**To: [Scope](#)**

Definition: Represents the relationship between the ScopedId and the Scope in which it is defined.

Note: See Clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Member: localName**

**To: [Identifier](#)**

Definition: Represents the EXPRESS identifier that uniquely identifies the NamedElement within the namespace that is the Scope.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.4.11 Class: TypeElement

Definition: A NamedElement whose namespace is a data type (NamedType).

Note: See 8.2.2, 8.2.3, and 8.2.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.11.1 Supertypes

[NamedElement](#)

### 8.4.11.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.4.11.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** namespace

**To:** [NamedType](#)

via: [type-element-has-scope](#)

Subsets: [NamedElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the TypeElement and the NamedType in which it is defined. This is a refinement of the NamedElement.namespace and an abstraction of the specific relationships of TypeElements to their owner NamedTypes.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.4.11.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.4.12 Association: common-element-has-local-scope

Definition: represents the relationship between an AlgorithmScope and the CommonElements that are defined in it. This is a refinement of the (abstract) [element-defined-in-scope](#) relationship.

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.4.12.1 Supertypes

[element-defined-in-scope](#)

### 8.4.12.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd:** common-elements

**To:** [CommonElement](#)

Definition: the CommonElements that are defined in the AlgorithmScope.

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd:** local-scope

**To:** [AlgorithmScope](#)

Subsets: NamedElement.namespace

Definition: represents the relationship between a CommonElement that is defined in an AlgorithmScope and the scope in which it is defined; also, the scope (set of model elements) in which the id of the CommonElement refers to that CommonElement.

Note: See Clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 8.4.13 Association: element-defined-in-scope

Definition: represents the generic relationship between a NamedElement and the Scope in which it is defined. Every NamedElement is defined in exactly one Scope. It may be interfaced into other Scopes, and it may be visible in Scopes nested inside the Scope in which it defined and the Scopes into which it is interfaced.

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: This is an abstract relationship. Each separate form of this relationship is separately modeled.

Properties: abstract

#### 8.4.13.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: named-elements** To: [NamedElement](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Scope and the NamedElements that are defined in it.

Note: This relationship is very much conceptual. Not every kind of NamedElement can be defined in every kind of Scope. See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: abstract

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [Scope](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a NamedElement and the "scope" in which it is defined, i.e. the set of model elements for which that name refers to that NamedElement

Note: See clause 10 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: abstract

#### 8.4.14 Association: element-interfaced-into-schema

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the InterfacedElements it contains, that is, the SchemaElements that it imports/interfaces from other Schemas.

Note: See clause 11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

##### 8.4.14.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: interfaces** To: [InterfacedElement](#)

Definition: the InterfacedElements that the SchemaElements that the Schema imports/interfaces from other Schemas.

Note: See clause 11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: interfacing-schema** To: [Schema](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the InterfacedElement and the Schema in which it appears. If the InterfacedElement renames the .refers-to SchemaElement, the interfacing-schema is the namespace for the .interfacedId.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.4.15 Association: local-element-has-local-scope

Definition: represents the abstract relationship between a LocalScope and the LocalElements that are defined in it. (A LocalScope that is an AlgorithmScope may also be the scope of CommonElements.)

Note: This relationship is an abstraction of the actual relationships between LocalElements and Scopes. Each separate form of this relationship is separately modeled. Not every kind of LocalElement can be defined in every LocalScope. In fact, only Variables can be defined in every LocalScope.

Note: See Clause 10.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 8.4.15.1 Supertypes

[element-defined-in-scope](#)

### 8.4.15.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: local-elements** To: [LocalElement](#)

Definition: the LocalElements that are defined in the LocalScope. (A LocalScope that is an AlgorithmScope may also be the scope of CommonElements.)

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: abstract

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [LocalScope](#)

Subsets: [NamedElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the Scope in which the LocalElement is defined. Unlike SchemaElements, a LocalElement is instantiated only in the context of a particular "use" or "invocation" of the Scope in which it is defined. As a consequence, a LocalElement can be instantiated more than once in interpreting a Population under a given Schema, and each such instantiation has a "lifetime" corresponding to that use/invocation

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: abstract

## 8.4.16 Association: schema-defines-elements

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the SchemaElements that are defined in it.

### 8.4.16.1 Supertypes

[element-defined-in-scope](#)

### 8.4.16.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: defined-in** To: [Schema](#)

Subsets: [NamedElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the SchemaElement and the Schema in which it is (originally) defined. refines the (abstract) NamedElement.namespace relationship

Note: See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: schema-elements** To: [SchemaElement](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Schema and the SchemaElements that are defined in it, as distinct from those that are interfaced into it. refines the (abstract) Scope.named-elements relationship.

Note: See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.4.17 Association: schema-element-is-interfaced-element

Definition: represents a use of the SchemaElement in some Schema other than the one in which it is defined. Only a SchemaElement whose scope is a Schema can be referenced as an InterfacedElement.

### 8.4.17.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: referenced-as** To: [InterfacedElement](#)

Definition: represents a use of the SchemaElement in some Schema other than the one in which it is defined. Only a SchemaElement whose scope is a Schema can be referenced as an InterfacedElement.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: refers-to** To: [SchemaElement](#)

Definition: represents the SchemaElement being imported (interfaced) into the interfacing schema as the InterfacedElement.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.4.18 Association: schema-interfaces-elements

Definition: represents the EXPRESS "interface" relationships (USE, REFERENCE) between an interfacing Schema and the SchemaElements that it interfaces from the Schema in which they are defined.

Note: See clause 11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: derived.

### 8.4.18.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: interfaced-elements** To: [SchemaElement](#)

Definition: represents relationship between a Schema and the SchemaElements it interfaces from other Schemas.  
.interfaced-elements = .interfaces.refers-to

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->interfaces->refers-to
```

**AssociationEnd: referenced-in** To: [Schema](#)

Definition: p>represents the relationship between a SchemaElement and the Schemas, if any, it is interfaced into.  
.referenced-in = .referenced-as.interfacing-schema

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->referenced-as->interfacing-schema
```

## 8.4.19 Association: type-element-has-scope

Definition: represents the abstract relationship between a TypeElement and the NamedType in which it is defined. This is a refinement of the [entity-defined-in-scope](#) relationship and an abstraction of the specific relationships of TypeElements to their owner NamedTypes.



Properties: abstract.

### 8.4.19.1 Supertypes

[element-defined-in-scope](#)

### 8.4.19.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: type-elements**

To: [TypeElement](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the NamedType and the TypeElements that are defined in its scope.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: namespace**

To: [NamedType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the TypeElement and the NamedType in which it is defined. This is a refinement of the NamedElement.namespace and an abstraction of the specific relationships of TypeElements to their owner NamedTypes.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.5 Remarks

This section of the Core model introduces the Remark constructs that serve to document Schemas and NamedElements. 8.5 depicts the Remark concept and its properties.

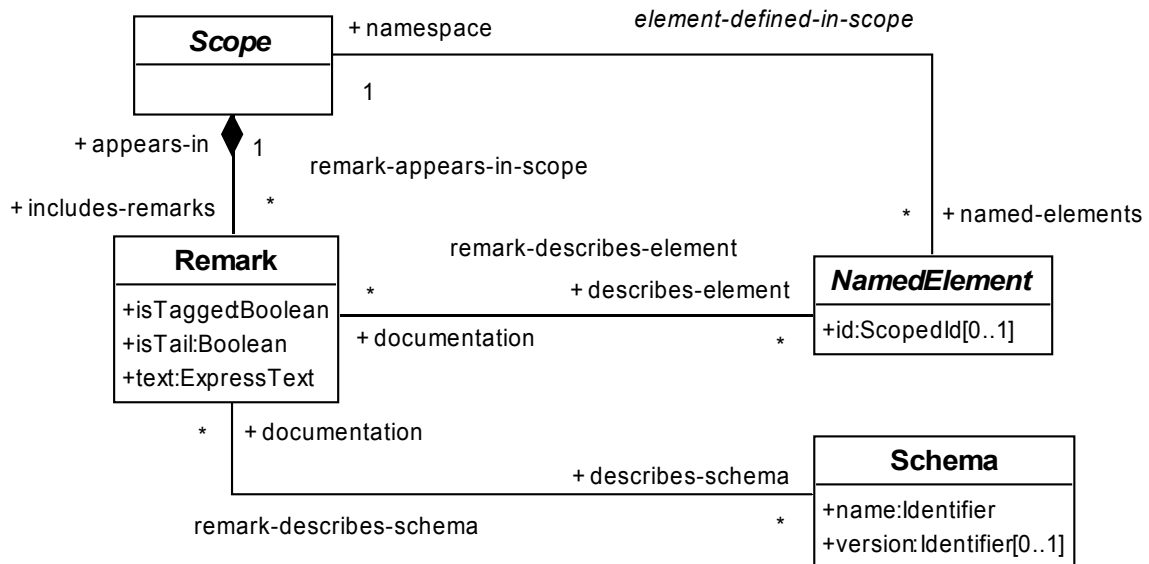


Figure 5 - Remarks

### 8.5.1 Class: Remark

Definition: A comment or other documentation element that provides additional information about a model element.

#### 8.5.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.5.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isTagged**

To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: Is TRUE if the Remark is "tagged" to refer to one or more NamedElements, and FALSE if the remark is not explicitly tagged.

If `.isTagged` is TRUE, the Remark should have the `.describes-element` or `.describes-schema` property.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: isTail**

To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: is True if the Remark is lexically a `tail_remark`; and False if the Remark is lexically an `embedded_remark`. This distinction describes only the representation and placement of the remark in the EXPRESS syntax.

Note: See 7.1.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: text**

To: [ExpressText](#)

Definition: Represents the actual text of the remark.

Note: Part 11 requires that the character set of the remark be the EXPRESS character set, but in practice a larger subset of ISO 10646-1 Basic Multilingual Plane is often used.

Note: See 7.1.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.5.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: appears-in**

To: [Scope](#)

via: [remark-appears-in-scope](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of a Remark to the Schema that lexically contains it.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: describes-element**

To: [NamedElement](#)

via: [remark-describes-element](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Remark and the NamedElement(s) it describes. While a tagged remark is formally associated with one or more NamedElement(s), a processor may also ascribe a given un-tagged Remark to a given NamedElement, based on its lexical position.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: describes-schema**

To: [Schema](#)

via: [remark-describes-schema](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Remark that describes a Schema and the Schema it describes. The Remark may be Tagged to refer to the Schema, or it may be ascribed to the Schema if it lacks any other association. In particular, a Remark may appear in one Schema and refer to an interfaced Schema or to elements interfaced from it.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004. Technically the Schema is a named element of the EXPRESS language, but it has no defined Scope.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### **8.5.1.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **8.5.2 Association: remark-appears-in-scope**

Definition: represents the relationship of a Remark to the Schema that lexically contains it.

#### **8.5.2.1 Association Ends**

**AssociationEnd: appears-in** To: [Scope](#)

Definition: the Schema that lexically contains the Remark.

Note: This may be the only cue as to the subject of the Remark. The first edition of EXPRESS did not specify a means for binding Remarks to model elements.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: includes-remarks** To: [Remark](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the Remarks that appear in it.

Note: See 7.1.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### **8.5.3 Association: remark-describes-element**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Remark and the NamedElement(s) it describes. While a tagged remark is formally associated with one or more NamedElements, a processor may also ascribe a given un-tagged Remark to a given NamedElement, based on its lexical position.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### **8.5.3.1 Association Ends**

**AssociationEnd: describes-element** To: [NamedElement](#)

Definition: the NamedElement(s) described by the Remark.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: documentation** To: [Remark](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a NamedElement and the Remarks, if any, that constitute its in-schema documentation. If the Scope (.appears-in) of the Remark is, or is contained in, a different Schema from the declaration of the NamedElement, the Remark only applies to the NamedElement as-interfaced.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.5.4 Association: remark-describes-schema

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the Remarks, if any, that constitute its in-schema documentation. If the Scope (.appears-in) of the Remark is a different Schema, the Remark only applies to the Schema as-interfaced.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004. Technically the Schema is a named element of the EXPRESS language, but it has no defined Scope.

### 8.5.4.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: describes-schema**      **To: [Schema](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Remark that describes a Schema and the Schema it describes. The Remark may be Tagged to refer to the Schema, or it may be ascribed to the Schema if it lacks any other association. In particular, a Remark may appear in one Schema and refer to an interfaced Schema or to elements interfaced from it.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004. Technically the Schema is a named element of the EXPRESS language, but it has no defined Scope.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: documentation**      **To: [Remark](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Schema and the Remarks, if any, that constitute its in-schema documentation. If the Scope (.appears-in) of the Remark is a different Schema, the Remark only applies to the Schema as-interfaced.

Note: See 7.1.6.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004. Technically the Schema is a named element of the EXPRESS language, but it has no defined Scope.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.6 Overview of Types

This section of the Core model introduces the data type modeling concepts of the EXPRESS language, including the built-in types.

As is shown in 8.6, the EXPRESS data type model consists of several dichotomies. Each of the high-level abstract types represents a group of EXPRESS data types that can play a given role in the metamodel.

**DataType** is the general class of types of results of Expressions. This includes all **VariableTypes**, together with "partial complex entity data types" (**PartialEntityType**s), which can only occur as the result of an (intermediate) Expression.

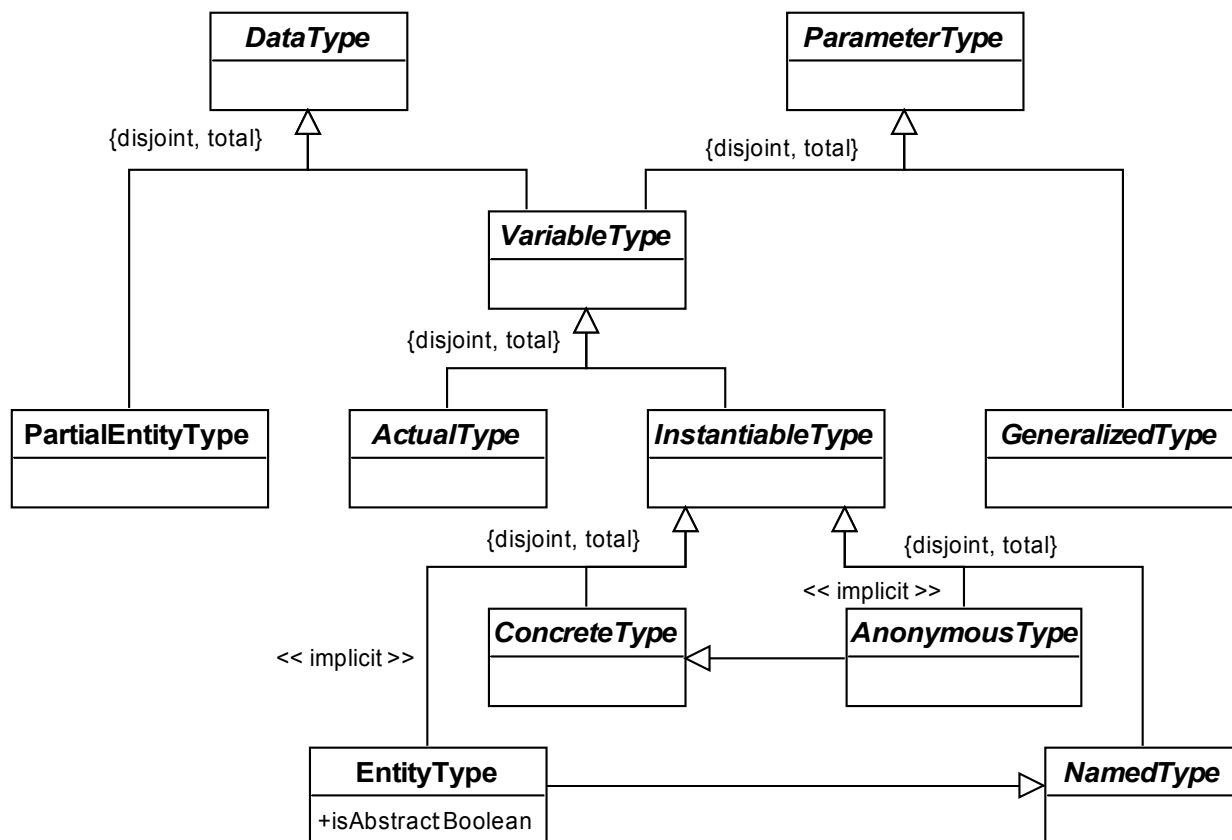
**VariableType** is the general class of types that **Variables** can be declared to have. This includes all **InstantiableTypes** and **ActualTypes**, which are formal types that resolve to **InstantiableTypes** at the time the **Variable** is created.

**ParameterType** is the most general class of types that a model element, and in particular, **Attributes** and **Parameters**, can be declared to have. This includes all **VariableTypes** and **GeneralizedTypes**, which represent generalized requirements on the type of the element that must be specialized in actual uses.

**Instantiable Types** represent all of the data types that have actual **Instances**. They are subdivided into **EntityType**s, which largely represent non-data objects, and **ConcreteTypes**, which represent data elements. They are also subdivided into **NamedTypes**, which are defined by declarations in the Schema, and **AnonymousTypes**, which are defined in the EXPRESS language and have specific syntactic designations instead of "identifiers."

Any given object representing an EXPRESS data type is an instance of exactly one of InstantiableType, ActualType, GeneralizedType, and PartialEntityType, and in fact, it is an instance of exactly one specific instantiable subclass.

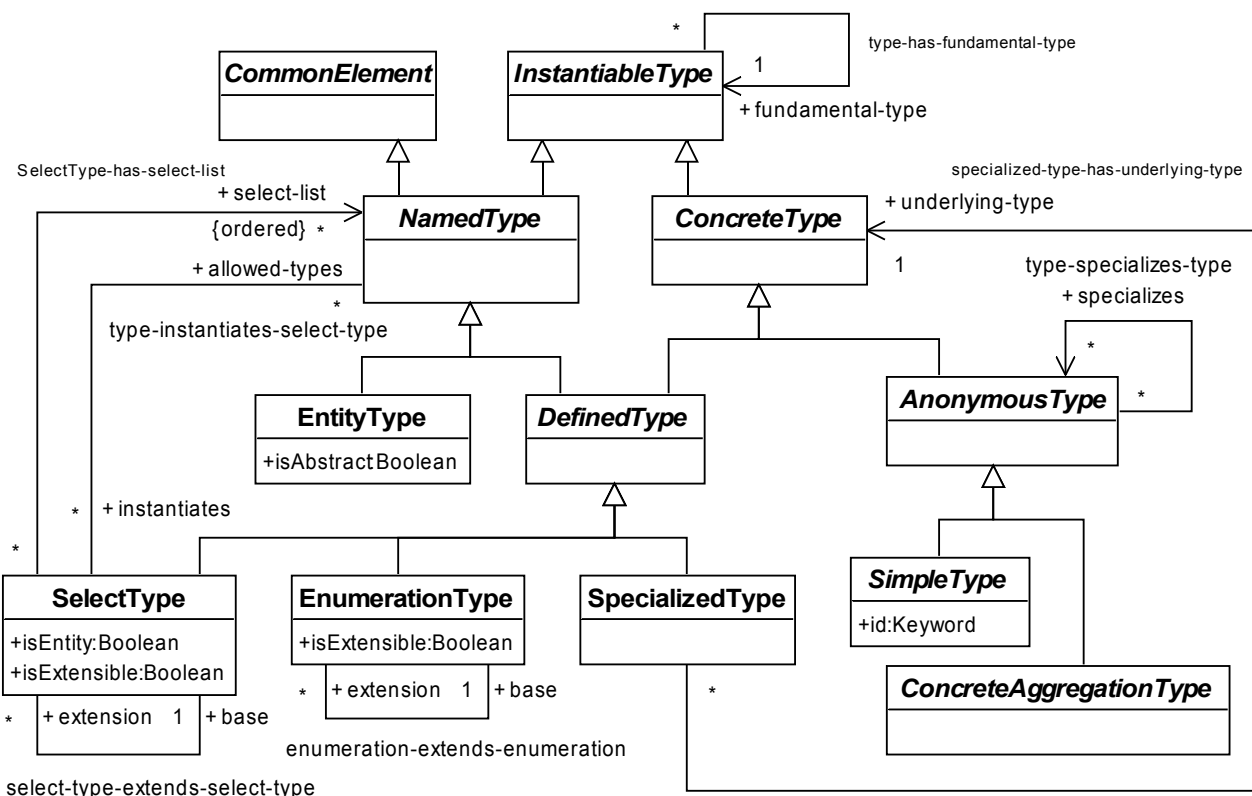
All of these concepts are defined below.



**Figure 6 - Overview of EXPRESS Type concepts**

Figure 6 also shows, using “implicit” subclass relationships for EntityTypes and AnonymousTypes, that there are two dichotomies for InstantiableTypes. Every InstantiableType is either an EntityType or a ConcreteType, and every InstantiableType is either a NamedType or an AnonymousType.

8.6 shows the model of Instantiable Types in detail. SimpleTypes, (Concrete)AggregationTypes and EntityTypes are defined in separate sections. The other classes and associations are defined below.



**Figure 7 - NamedTypes and Instantiable Types**

### 8.6.1 Class: ActualType

Definition: specification of an instantiable data type by reference to (a component of) the data type of the actual parameter that corresponds to a formal parameter of the Algorithm.

Each subtype of ActualType refers to a GenericElement that is defined among the formal Parameters of the Algorithm. The GenericElement denotes the corresponding component of the data type of the corresponding actual parameter in any given invocation. The GenericElement is named by an EXPRESS `type_label`, and the ActualType refers to that GenericElement via the `type_label`.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

Note: The details of ActualTypes are specified in the Algorithms Package (Clause 10.4).

#### 8.6.1.1 Supertypes

[VariableType](#), [LocalElement](#)

#### 8.6.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.6.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** scope **To:** [Algorithms::Algorithm](#)

Via: [Algorithms::scope-of-actual-type](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: The Algorithm in which the ActualType is specified.

The ActualType must be the data type of a Variable or Attribute whose scope is contained in the Algorithm, and the GenericElement that defines the `type_label` to which the ActualType refers must be defined among the formal parameters of the Algorithm.

Note: An ActualType does not really have a namespace; the GenericElement to which it refers is a LocalElement whose namespace is the Algorithm. The `.scope` of the ActualType does, however, represent the ownership of the ActualType as a LocalElement and the lifetime of the ActualType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.6.1.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Algorithms::ActualAggregationType](#) as member-type

## 8.6.2 Class: AnonymousType

Definition: represents any InstantiableType that is not a NamedType.

Properties: abstract

### 8.6.2.1 Supertypes

[InstantiableType](#), [ConcreteType](#)

### 8.6.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.6.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** specializes **To:** [AnonymousType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an AnonymousType to an AnonymousType of which it is a "specialization", as specified in Part 11 clause 9.2.7. Unlike the specialization for defined data types, these relationships are true subtypes: the domain of the "specialization" is a subset of the domain of AnonymousType and has the same interpretation.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 8.6.2.4 Other Roles

**From:** [AnonymousType](#) as specializes

## 8.6.3 Class: ConcreteType

Definition: represents any InstantiableType that is not an EntityType

Note: See 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### **8.6.3.1 Supertypes**

[InstantiableType](#)

### **8.6.3.2 Attributes**

none.

### **8.6.3.3 Associations**

none.

### **8.6.3.4 Other Roles**

From: [SpecializedType](#) as underlying-type

## **8.6.4 Class: DataType**

Definition: an ExpressionType that represents all the data type notions that can be declared for objects and properties in EXPRESS. Syntactically called parameter\_type, it includes InstantiableTypes and GeneralizedTypes (which represent conformance rules for InstantiableTypes). It excludes PartialEntityTypes, which are only classifiers for intermediate results.

Note: See clause 8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### **8.6.4.1 Supertypes**

none.

### **8.6.4.2 Attributes**

none.

### **8.6.4.3 Associations**

none.

### **8.6.4.4 Other Roles**

From: [Expression](#) as data-type

## **8.6.5 Class: DefinedType**

Definition: a NamedType representing an EXPRESS defined data type, a type declared by a type\_declaration.

Note: See 8.3.2 and 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### **8.6.5.1 Supertypes**

[ConcreteType](#), [NamedType](#)

### **8.6.5.2 Attributes**

none.



### 8.6.5.3 Associations

none.

### 8.6.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.6.6 Class: EnumerationType

Definition: a DefinedType representing an EXPRESS defined data type whose underlying\_type is a ENUMERATION data type.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.6.6.1 Supertypes

[DefinedType](#)

### 8.6.6.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isExtensible**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if the EnumerationType can have additional values in a schema that interfaces it; False if not.

In the context schema for a population, the final set of possible values is known. But the set given in the defining schema may be incomplete and be extended by other EnumerationTypes for which this is the base.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.6.6.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: base**

**To: [EnumerationType](#)**

via: [enumeration-extends-enumeration](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an extended EnumerationType to the EnumerationType it is BASED ON. The domain of the extended type includes all of the values of the base type and all the values defined in the extension.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: declared-items**

**To: [Instances::EnumerationItem](#)**

via: [Instances:enumeration-declares-items](#)

Subsets: [NamedType.type-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an EnumerationType to the EnumerationItems that are declared in its type\_declaration. For extended enumeration types, this is distinct from the .values relationship, which captures all of the valid values of the type.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: extension**

**To: [EnumerationType](#)**

via: [enumeration-extends-enumeration](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an EXTENSIBLE EnumerationType to the EnumerationTypes that are BASED ON it. Each extension type may add additional values to the domain, and these are considered to be values of the base type for all uses within the schema containing the extension.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: values**

**To: [Instances::EnumerationItem](#)**

via: [Instances::value-of-EnumerationType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationType and the EnumerationItems that are valid values of the type. An EnumerationItem is a value of every EnumerationType that is related by extension to the type that declares it. This relationship can be derived recursively as the union of the values of the .declared-items attribute for the EnumerationType, for each EnumerationType in the sequence of .base relationships from the EnumerationType, and from all the extensions of the EnumerationType.

Note: See clause 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = ".declared-items + .base.declared-items + extensions.declared-items"
```

#### **8.6.6.4 Other Roles**

none.

#### **8.6.7 Class: InstantiableType**

Definition: an abstract classifier, encompassing all the data type notions that characterize objects and properties in EXPRESS. InstantiableType is a proper subtype of DataType (which includes classifiers that represent conformance rules for InstantiableTypes).

Note: See 8.6.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

##### **8.6.7.1 Supertypes**

[VariableType](#)

##### **8.6.7.2 Attributes**

none.

##### **8.6.7.3 Associations**

**AssociationEnd: fundamental-type**

**To: [InstantiableType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the DefinedType and the data type used to represent its values. The fundamental-type of a DefinedType is the fundamental-type of its underlying-type; the fundamental-type of any other InstantiableType is the type itself.

Note: See 13.3.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.6.7.4 Other Roles

From: [InstantiableType](#) as fundamental-type

From: [InstantiableAggregationType](#) as member-type

From: [Instances::Constant](#) as data-type

#### 8.6.8 Class: NamedType

Definition: a CommonElement that defines a new InstantiableType.

Note: See 8.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

##### 8.6.8.1 Supertypes

[CommonElement](#), [Scope](#), [InstantiableType](#)

##### 8.6.8.2 Attributes

none.

##### 8.6.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: domain-rules**

**To: [DomainRule](#)**

via: [NamedType-has-DomainRule](#)

Subsets: [Core::NamedType.type-elements](#)

Definition: a refinement of InstantiableType.constraints, represents the association of DomainRules that restrict the domain of valid values of the NamedType

Note: See 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: instantiates**

**To: [SelectType](#)**

via: [type-instantiates-select-type](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the NamedType and a SelectType whose domain includes it.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: type-elements**

**To: [TypeElement](#)**

via: [type-element-has-scope](#)

Subsets: [Scope.named-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the NamedType and the TypeElements that are defined in its scope.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### 8.6.8.4 Other Roles

From: [SelectType](#) as select-list

From: [Instances::TypeName](#) as refers-to

From: [Expressions::ExtentRef](#) as refers-to

#### 8.6.8.5 Rules

##### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every NamedType shall have an identifier

### 8.6.9 Class: ParameterType

Definition: An abstract classification of Types that includes the InstantiableTypes, ActualTypes and GeneralizedTypes. That is, a ParameterType is any Type that is admissible as the declared type of a Parameter or an (abstract) ExplicitAttribute.

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 8.6.2

Note: The lexical `parameter_type` in EXPRESS may represent an ActualType rather than a ParameterType, and it may include labeled GenericComponents that are used in ActualTypes and ActualTypeConstraints. All of these concepts are described in the Algorithms Package.

Properties: abstract

#### 8.6.9.1 Supertypes

none.

#### 8.6.9.2 Attributes

none.

#### 8.6.9.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: role

To: [Attribute](#)

via: [attribute-has-data-type](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the ParameterType and the roles (attributes of entities) that its admissible values may play.

Note: See 9.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### 8.6.9.4 Other Roles

From: [AGGREGATType](#) as member-type

From: [Redeclaration](#) as restricted-type

From: [Algorithms::Parameter](#) as formal-parameter-type

## 8.6.10 Class: SelectType

Definition: a DefinedType representing an EXPRESS defined data type whose underlying\_type is a SELECT data type.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.6.10.1 Supertypes

[DefinedType](#)

### 8.6.10.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isEntity** To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: represents a constraint on the extensions of an Extensible SelectType: True if every NamedType in the extension must be an EntityType; otherwise False..

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: isExtensible** To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if the SelectType is EXTENSIBLE, i.e., if it can have additional NamedTypes in the select-list when it is interfaced into another Schema; False otherwise.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.6.10.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: allowed-types** To: [NamedType](#)

via: [type-instantiates-select-type](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of the SelectType to a NamedType whose values are included in the domain of the SelectType. All values in the domain of the NamedType are valid values of the SelectType.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: base** To: [SelectType](#)

via: [select-type-extends-select-type](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an extended select type to the (extensible) select type it is BASED ON.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: extension** To: [SelectType](#)

via: [select-type-extends-select-type](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an EXTENSIBLE select type to a select type BASED ON it.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: select-list**

**To: [NamedType](#)**

Definition: represents the appearance of the NamedType in the select list in the declaration of the SelectType. For extended and extensible SelectTypes, the NamedType should appear in exactly one of the select-lists in any set of SelectTypes related by extension. This is distinct from .allowed-types, which represents all of the NamedTypes that can validly instantiate the SelectType, including any related by extension. The select-list is said to be "ordered," to convey the syntactic ordering. The ordering has no semantic significance.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* ordered

#### **8.6.10.4 Other Roles**

**From: [Instances::TypedInstance](#) as satisfies-type**

### **8.6.11 Class: SpecializedType**

Note:Definition: See 8.2.2, 8.2.3, and 8.2.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### **8.6.11.1 Supertypes**

[DefinedType](#)

#### **8.6.11.2 Attributes**

none.

#### **8.6.11.3 Associations**

**AssociationEnd: underlying-type**

**To: [ConcreteType](#)**

Definition: represents the EXPRESS "specialization" relationship between a defined data type and the "underlying type" used to represent it.

Note: See 9.1 and 9.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### **8.6.11.4 Other Roles**

**From: [Instances::SpecializedValue](#) as of-type**

### **8.6.12 Class: VariableType**

Definition: An abstract class representing the permissible data types of a variable: [InstantiableTypes](#) and [ActualTypes](#).

Properties: abstract

#### **8.6.12.1 Supertypes**

[ParameterType](#), [DataType](#)

#### **8.6.12.2 Attributes**

none.

### 8.6.12.3 Associations

none.

### 8.6.12.4 Other Roles

From: [Algorithms::NamedVariable](#) as variable-type

From: [Expressions::Coercion](#) as target-type

From: [Algorithms::ActualAGGREGATEType](#) as member-type

## 8.6.13 Association: enumeration-extends-enumeration

Definition: represents the relationship of an EXTENSIBLE EnumerationType to the EnumerationTypes that are BASED ON it.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.6.13.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: base**

**To: [EnumerationType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of an extended EnumerationType to the EnumerationType it is BASED ON. The domain of the extended type includes all of the values of the base type and all the values defined in the extension.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: extension**

**To: [EnumerationType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of an EXTENSIBLE EnumerationType to the EnumerationTypes that are BASED ON it. Each extension type may add additional values to the domain, and these are considered to be values of the base type for all uses within the schema containing the extension.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.6.14 Association: select-type-extends-select-type

Definition: represents the relationship of an EXTENSIBLE select type to a select type BASED ON it.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.6.14.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: base**

**To: [SelectType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of an extended select type to the (extensible) select type it is BASED ON.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: extension**

**To: [SelectType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of an EXTENSIBLE select type to a select type BASED ON it.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.6.15 Association: type-instantiates-select-type

Definition: represents the appearance of the "generalizes" NamedType in the select list of the "instantiates" SelectType.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.6.15.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: allowed-types**                      **To: [NamedType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of the SelectType to a NamedType whose values are included in the domain of the SelectType. All values in the domain of the NamedType are valid values of the SelectType.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: instantiates**                      **To: [SelectType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the NamedType and a SelectType whose domain includes it.

Note: See 8.4.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.7 Type Constraints

InstantiableTypes can have local constraints on the admissible values of their "domain." The basic concept is shown in 8.7. All NamedTypes can have DomainRules. AnonymousTypes have specialized constraints, which are shown in the sections for those types.



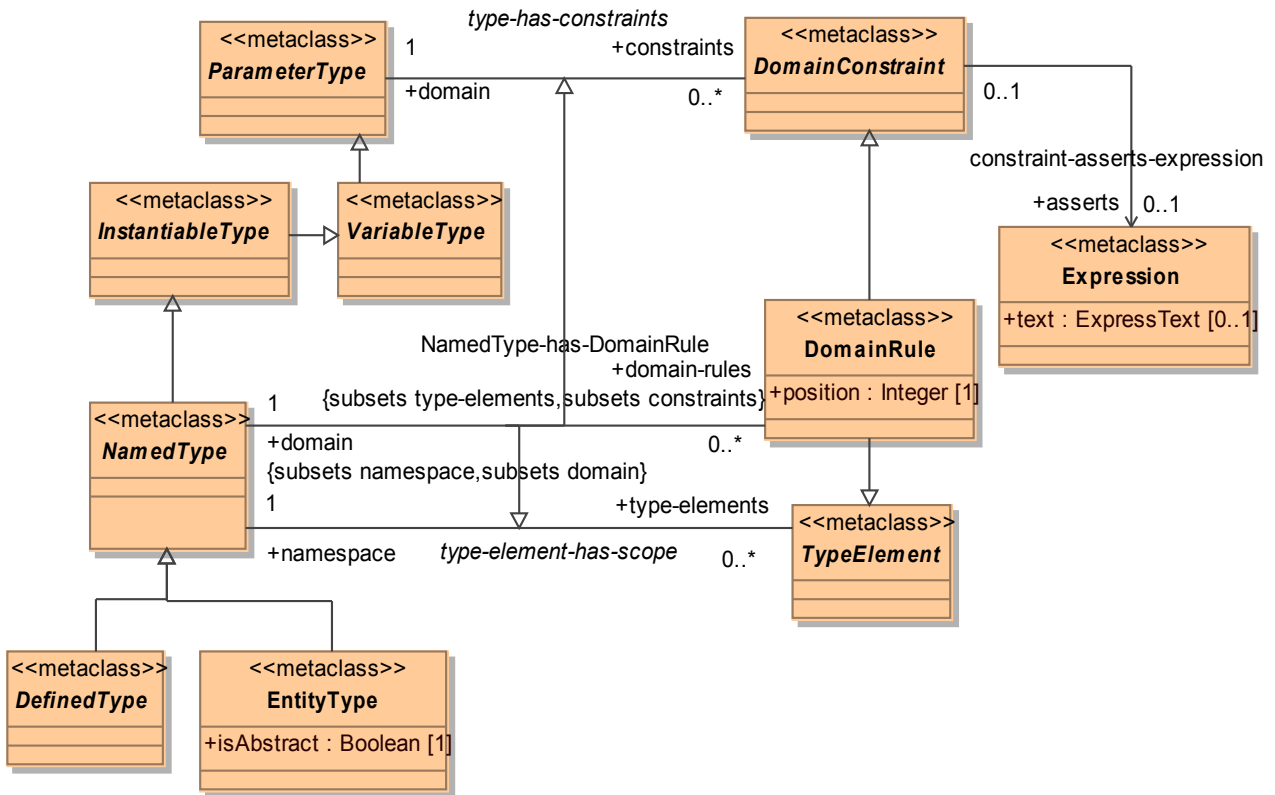


Figure 8 - Type Constraints

### 8.7.1 Class: DomainConstraint

Definition: represents a constraint on the allowable values of an EXPRESS data type. This concept does not appear explicitly in the EXPRESS language. Some DomainConstraints are explicit DomainRules (WHERE rules); others, such as SizeConstraints and LengthConstraints, are stated in the EXPRESS syntax for the data type. In this model, a DomainConstraint is always formulated as a (boolean) Expression, regardless of the EXPRESS syntax used to specify it.

Properties: abstract

#### 8.7.1.1 Supertypes

none.

#### 8.7.1.2 Attributes

none.

#### 8.7.1.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: domain To: [ParameterType](#)

Definition: a dependency – represents the relationship between the DomainConstraint and the data type whose values it constrains.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: abstract

## AssociationEnd: asserts

To: [Expression](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the domain constraint and a Boolean expression that can be evaluated to determine if it holds.

While all DomainConstraints can be represented by Boolean expressions, some DomainConstraints have representations that do not require the Expression to be explicitly modeled. For this reason, `.asserts` has multiplicity 0..1. When the DomainConstraint has a simple representation (such as a fixed size that is an integer), `.asserts` may, but need not, have a value. When the DomainConstraint cannot be simply represented, `.asserts` shall have a value that is a Boolean expression that conveys the constraint.

Note: The asserts expression that formulates the DomainConstraint is wholly owned by the DomainConstraint. It is not treated as reusable.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### EXAMPLE

For the EXPRESS text:

```
ENTITY roster;  
    max_team: INTEGER;  
    members: LIST [1:max_team+1] OF entry;  
END_ENTITY;
```

The DomainConstraint representing the maximum size of the `members` list is a SizeConstraint that has no `.bound` value and has a value for `.asserts` that is an Expression of the form:

```
SizeOf(SELF.members) <= SELF.max_team + 1
```

The DomainConstraint representing the minimum size of the `members` list is a SizeConstraint that has `.bound = 1`. It is not required to have any value for `.asserts`. But, if present, the value of `.asserts` should be an Expression of the form:

```
SizeOf(SELF.members) >= 1
```

### 8.7.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.7.2 Class: DomainRule

Definition: represents a DomainConstraint that is stated as an EXPRESS domain rule in a WHERE clause in the `type_declaration` or the `entity_declaration`. In a `type_declaration`, it is a Boolean expression in terms of SELF that limits the allowable values in the domain of the data type. In an `entity_declaration`, it is a Boolean expression that constrains the values of one or more attributes (or other relationships) of the entity data type.

Note: See clauses 9.1 and 9.2.2.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: Part 11 permits a DomainRule to evaluate to indeterminate ("") and requires a rule with that evaluation to be treated as satisfied. The most common case is the evaluation of an expression involving an OPTIONAL attribute. Languages like OCL and OWL require the possibly indeterminate values to be protected by an EXISTS operation.

### EXAMPLE

For the EXPRESS text:

```
ENTITY time_interval;  
    begin_time: date_time;  
    end_time: OPTIONAL date_time;  
WHERE  
    wr1: begin_time <= end_time;
```

```
END_ENTITY;
```

The EXPRESS domain rule `wr1` is represented by a DomainRule with `.id="wr1"` and `.position = 1`, and `.asserts` linked to an Expression of the form:

```
SELF.begin_time <= SELF.end_time
```

The proper translation of the EXPRESS DomainRule `wr1`, however, may require the rule to be represented as:

```
NOT EXISTS(SELF.end_time) OR (SELF.begin_time <= SELF.end_time)
```

### 8.7.2.1 Supertypes

[TypeElement](#), [DomainConstraint](#)

### 8.7.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: Represents the position of the Domain Rule in the list of rules following the WHERE keyword in the entity/type declaration.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.7.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To: [NamedType](#)**

via: [NamedType-has-DomainRule](#)

Subsets: [Core::TypeElement.namespace](#), [Core::DomainConstraint.domain](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of the DomainRule to the NamedType that is the domain of values to which it applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.7.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.7.3 Association: NamedType-has-DomainRule

Definition: a refinement of [type-has-constraints](#), representing the relationship of a NamedType to a DomainRule that restrict the domain of valid values of the NamedType.

Note: See 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.7.3.1 Supertypes

[type-element-has-scope](#), [type-has-constraints](#)

### 8.7.3.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To: [NamedType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of the DomainRule to the NamedType that is the domain of values to which it applies

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: domain-rules**

**To:** [DomainRule](#)

Definition: a refinement of InstantiableType.constraints, represents the association of DomainRules that restrict the domain of valid values of the NamedType

Note: See 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.7.4 Association: type-has-constraints

Definition: an abstract relationship, represents the association between a ParameterType and a DomainConstraint that restricts the value domain of the ParameterType

Note: See 8.1.6, 8.1.7, 8.2, and 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

Note: This is an abstract relationship. Each separate form of this relationship is separately modeled.

### 8.7.4.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: constraints**

**To:** [DomainConstraint](#)

Definition: represents the association of DomainConstraints that restrict the value domain of the ParameterType

Note: See 8.1.6, 8.1.7, 8.2, and 9.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: abstract

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To:** [ParameterType](#)

Definition: a dependency – represents the relationship between the DomainConstraint and the data type whose values it constrains.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: abstract

## 8.8 Simple Types

The EXPRESS language defines "simple types" as those that carry a single conceptual information unit. Each simple type is denoted by a keyword, rather than an identifier. The simple types are BOOLEAN, INTEGER, LOGICAL, NUMBER, all BINARY types, all REAL types, and all STRING types. They are shown in 8.8 and described below.

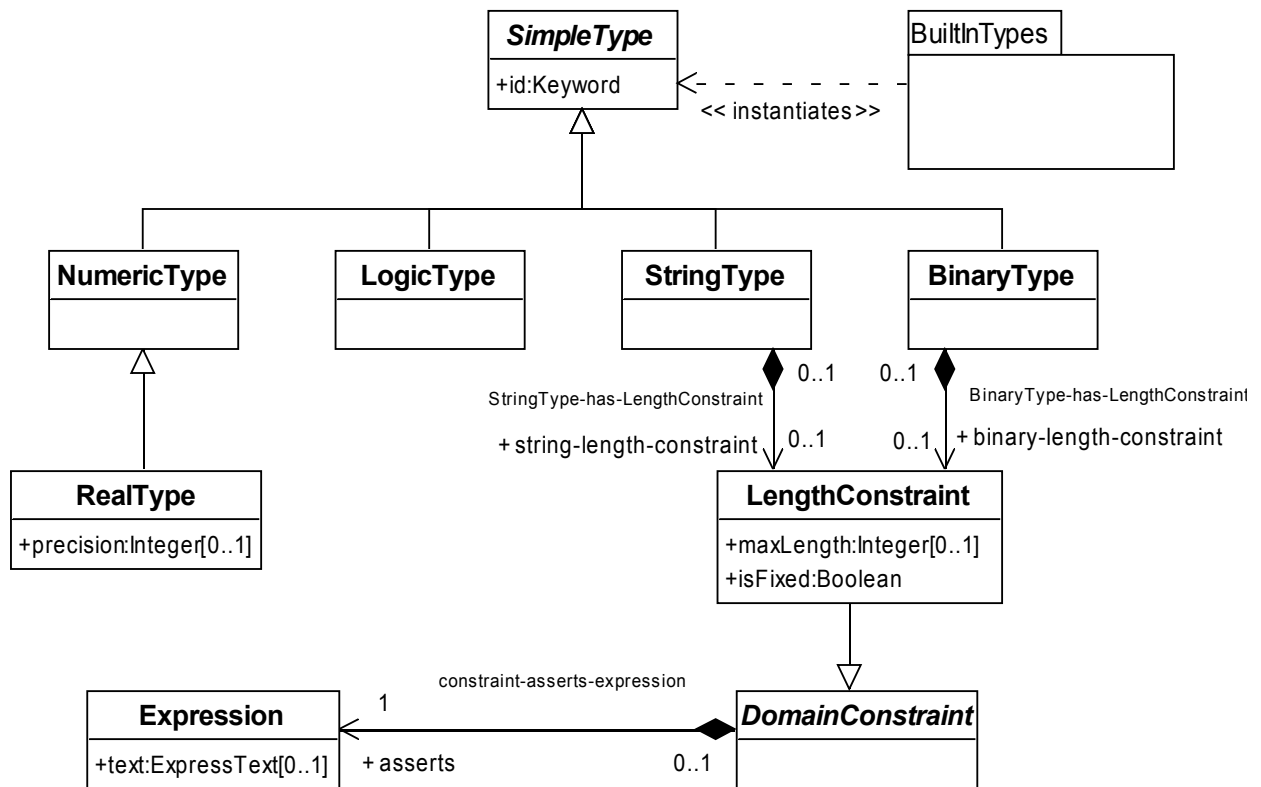


Figure 9 - Simple Types

## 8.8.1 Class: BinaryType

Definition: a SimpleType representing all EXPRESS BINARY data types, which are distinguished by different LengthConstraints.

By definition, every EXPRESS BINARY type with a LengthConstraint is different from every other BINARY data type. (They may be compatible with others, but not the same.) The only instance of BINARYType with no LengthConstraint is the EXPRESS data type BINARY.

Note: See 8.1.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.8.1.1 Supertypes

[SimpleType](#)

### 8.8.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.8.1.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: binary-length-constraint To: [LengthConstraint](#)

Definition: represents a constraint on the length (in bits) of the values in the domain of the BINARY data type. Refines InstantiableType.constraints.

Note: See 8.1.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### 8.8.1.4 Other Roles

none.

### 8.8.2 Class: LengthConstraint

Definition: represents any maximum-length or fixed-length constraint on the length of the values of a STRING or BINARY type. A LengthConstraint is a DomainConstraint, considered to have an equivalent Boolean expression using the built-in Length() function.

Note: See 8.1.6 and 8.1.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.8.2.1 Supertypes

[DomainConstraint](#)

#### 8.8.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isFixed**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if all values of the SimpleType are required to be of the same length; False if the constraint specifies only the maximum length of the values.

Note: See 8.1.6 and 8.1.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: maxLength**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: represents a constant value specifying the required maximum/fixed length of the STRING or BINARY value. This attribute is present when the constraint expression is a "constant."

Note: See 8.1.6 and 8.1.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### 8.8.2.3 Associations

none.

#### 8.8.2.4 Other Roles

**From: [StringType](#) as string-length-constraint**

**From: [BinaryType](#) as binary-length-constraint**

#### 8.8.2.5 Rules

**Constraint ()**

Every LengthConstraint is either a string-length-constraint or a binary-length-constraint for exactly one SimpleType.

**Constraint ()**

A LengthConstraint is unique to the STRINGType or BINARYType it constrains.

### 8.8.3 Class: LogicType

Definition: a SimpleType representing the EXPRESS data types BOOLEAN and LOGICAL, which are the only instances of LOGICALType.

Note: See 8.1.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.8.3.1 Supertypes

[SimpleType](#)

#### 8.8.3.2 Attributes

none.

#### 8.8.3.3 Associations

none.

#### 8.8.3.4 Other Roles

none.

### 8.8.4 Class: NumericType

Definition: a SimpleType representing the EXPRESS data types NUMBER, INTEGER and all REAL data types. NUMBER and INTEGER are instances of NUMBERType.

Note: See 8.1.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.8.4.1 Supertypes

[SimpleType](#)

#### 8.8.4.2 Attributes

none.

#### 8.8.4.3 Associations

none.

#### 8.8.4.4 Other Roles

none.

### 8.8.5 Class: RealType

Definition: represents all EXPRESS REAL data types, which are distinguished from one another by different values of "precision." Type REAL (with no "precision" value) is one instance of REALType.

Note: See 8.1.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.8.5.1 Supertypes

[NumericType](#)

## 8.8.5.2 Attributes

**Attribute: precision**

**To:** [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: represents the number of significant figures in the values of the RealType, as specified in its syntactic designation. Although the value of "precision" is specified in EXPRESS to be an expression, it is assumed in this model that the value will in practice be a "constant." The only REALType for which "precision" is not present is the EXPRESS type REAL (with no precision specification).

Note: See 8.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 8.8.5.3 Associations

none.

## 8.8.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.8.6 Class: SimpleType

Definition: an AnonymousType representing those EXPRESS data types defined in the language as "simple types": BINARY types, BOOLEAN, INTEGER, LOGICAL, NUMBER, REAL types, and STRING types.

Note: See 8.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 8.8.6.1 Supertypes

[AnonymousType](#)

### 8.8.6.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To:** [Keyword](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS keyword denoting the SimpleType, one of: BINARY, BOOLEAN, INTEGER, LOGICAL, NUMBER, REAL, STRING.

Note: See 8.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.8.6.3 Associations

none.

### 8.8.6.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Instances::SimpleValue](#) as of-type

## 8.8.7 Class: StringType

Definition: a SimpleType representing all EXPRESS STRING data types, which are distinguished by different LengthConstraints. By definition, every EXPRESS STRING type with a LengthConstraint is different from every other



STRING data type. (They may be compatible with others, but not the same.) The only instance of STRINGType with no LengthConstraint is the EXPRESS data type STRING.

Note: See 8.1.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### **8.8.7.1 Supertypes**

[SimpleType](#)

### **8.8.7.2 Attributes**

none.

### **8.8.7.3 Associations**

**AssociationEnd: string-length-constraint To: [LengthConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents a constraint on the length (in characters) of the values in the domain of the STRING data type. Refines InstantiableType.constraints.

Note: See 8.1.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### **8.8.7.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **8.9 Aggregation Types**

EXPRESS "aggregation types" are types whose instances are collections of instances of a "member type." There are four kinds of aggregation types, which represent different structures for the collections: ARRAY, BAG, LIST, SET. 8.9 shows the overview of Aggregation types. The model elements are defined below.

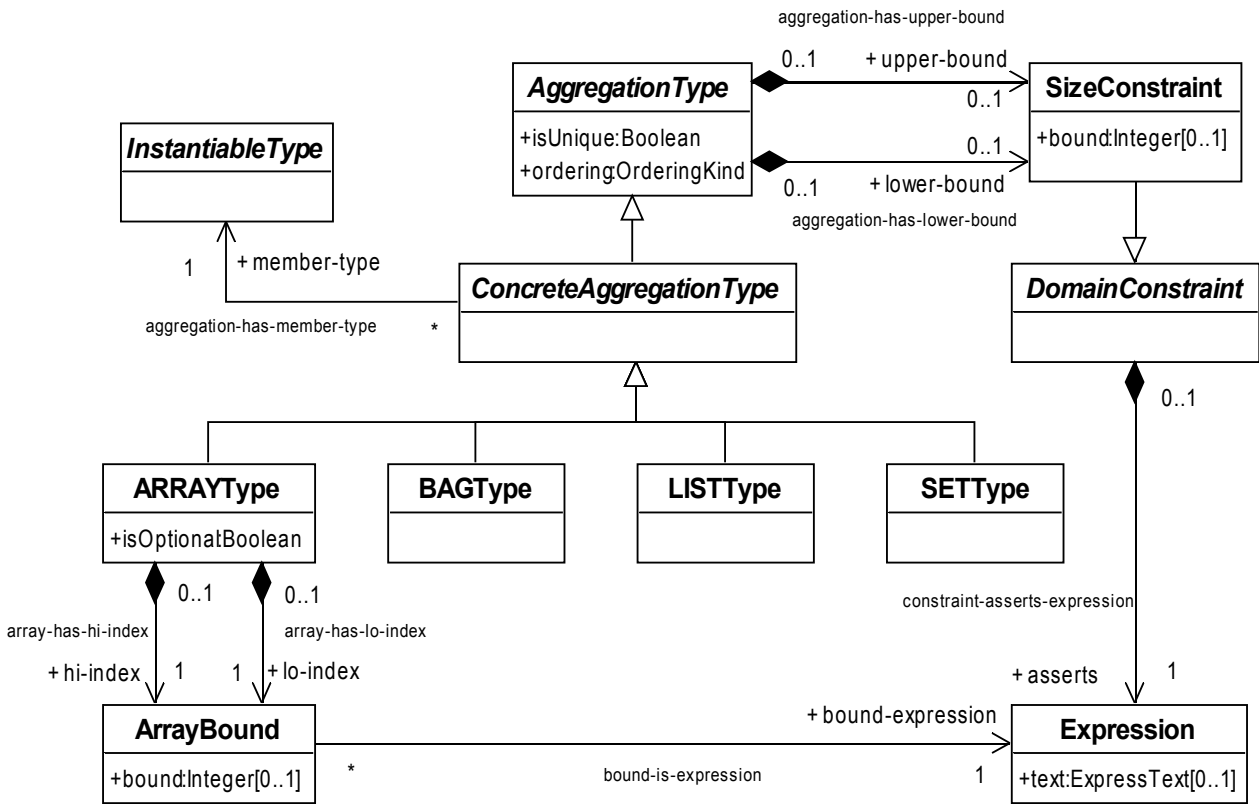


Figure 10 - Aggregation Types

## 8.9.1 Class: AggregationType

Definition: an AnonymousType representing an EXPRESS "aggregation type," whose instances are collections of instances of a "member type": ARRAY, BAG, LIST, SET.

Note: See 8.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 8.9.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.9.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isUnique** To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if the members of a given instance of the type are required to be distinct; else False. isUnique is always True for a SET type, always False for a BAG type, and True for LIST and ARRAY types if and only if the UNIQUE keyword is present in the type designation

Note: See 8.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: ordering**

**To: [OrderingKind](#)**

Definition: Specifies the structure of the AggregationType: indexed (ARRAY), ordered (LIST), unordered (BAG, SET).

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.9.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: lower-bound**

**To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents the appearance of a lower-bound constraint in syntactic designation for the aggregation type. Refines InstantiableType.constraints. For this purpose the appearance of an explicit zero ("0") value may be considered to represent no lower-bound constraint; and the lower-bound relationship need not appear. (The appearance of a lower-bound expression that may evaluate to zero shall always be represented by a lower-bound relationship.)

Note: See 8.2.x of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: upper-bound**

**To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents the appearance of an upper-bound constraint in the syntactic designation for the aggregation type. Refines InstantiableType.constraints. For this purpose the appearance of an explicit indeterminate value ("?") is considered to represent no upper-bound constraint, and shall not be represented by an upper-bound relationship. (The appearance of an upper-bound expression that may evaluate to "?" shall be represented by an upper-bound relationship.)

Note: See 8.2.x of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.9.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.9.2 Class: ArrayBound

Definition: represents a bound on the index domain of an ARRAY data type .

Note: See 8.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.9.2.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.9.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: bound**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: the integer value of the bound, when it can be determined "by inspection" of the bound expression.

Note: See 8.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.9.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: bound-expression**

**To: [Expression](#)**

Definition: the Expression that defines the ArrayBound.

Note: See 8.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.9.2.4 Other Roles

From: [ARRAYType](#) as hi-index

From: [ARRAYType](#) as lo-index

From: [GeneralARRAYType](#) as lo-index

From: [GeneralARRAYType](#) as hi-index

From: [Algorithms::ActualARRAYType](#) as lo-index

From: [Algorithms::ActualARRAYType](#) as hi-index

#### 8.9.2.5 Rules

##### Constraint ()

Every ArrayBound is either a hi-index or lo-index for exactly one ARRAYType, ActualARRAYType or GeneralARRAYType.

##### Constraint ()

An ArrayBound is unique to the ARRAYType (or GeneralARRAYType) and the role (hi-index/lo-index) it plays with respect to that type.

### 8.9.3 Class: ARRAYType

Definition: an AggregationType representing all EXPRESS ARRAY data types.

#### 8.9.3.1 Supertypes

[InstantiableAggregationType](#)

#### 8.9.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isOptional**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if the member type is declared to be OPTIONAL in the syntactic designation for the ARRAYType; False otherwise. When isOptional is True, any instance of the ARRAYType is permitted to have members whose value is unspecified ("").

Note: See 8.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.9.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: hi-index**

**To: [ArrayBound](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the ARRAYType and the upper bound on the Integer index-range of each value of the ARRAYType.

Note: See 8.2.1 and 15.11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: lo-index**

**To: [ArrayBound](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the ARRAYType and the lower bound on the Integer index-range of each value of the ARRAYType.

Note: See 8.2.1 and 15.17 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.9.3.4 Other Roles

**From: [Instances::ARRAYValue](#) as of-type**

### 8.9.3.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->ordering = Indexed
```

## 8.9.4 Class: BAGType

Definition: an AggregationType representing all EXPRESS BAG data types

Note: See 8.2.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.9.4.1 Supertypes

[InstantiableAggregationType](#)

### 8.9.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.9.4.3 Associations

none.

### 8.9.4.4 Other Roles

**From: [Instances::BAGValue](#) as of-type**

### 8.9.4.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
NOT self->isUnique
```

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->ordering = Unordered
```

## 8.9.5 Class: ConcreteAggregationType

Definition: an anonymous InstantiableType that is an AggregationType whose member-type is itself an InstantiableType.

Properties: abstract

### 8.9.5.1 Supertypes

[AggregationType](#), [AnonymousType](#)

### 8.9.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.9.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** member-type                      **To:** [InstantiableType](#)

Definition: represents data type of its components (members) of the InstantiableAggregationType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.9.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.9.6 Class: LISTType

Definition: an AggregationType representing all EXPRESS LIST data types

Note: See 8.2.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.9.6.1 Supertypes

[InstantiableAggregationType](#)

### 8.9.6.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.9.6.3 Associations

none.

### 8.9.6.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Instances::LISTValue](#) as of-type

### 8.9.6.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->ordering = Ordered
```

## 8.9.7 Datatype: OrderingKind

Stereotypes: enumeration

Definition: Values that characterize the logical structure of the collections represented by an AggregationType (or a GeneralAggregationType).

### 8.9.7.1 Supertypes

none.

## 8.9.7.2 Values

### Value: indexed

Definition: Specifies that the structure of the AggregateValues is an ARRAY. That is, the positions in the sequence are associated with specific (consecutive) INTEGER index values.

### Value: ordered

Definition: Specifies that the structure of the AggregateValues is a LIST. That is, the position of each member-value in the sequence is significant in interpreting the AggregateValue.

### Value: unordered

Definition: Specifies that the structure of the AggregateValues is a BAG or SET. That is, the position of each member-value in the sequence has no significance in interpreting the AggregateValue.

## 8.9.8 Class: SETType

Definition: an AggregationType representing all EXPRESS SET data types.

Note: See 8.2.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.9.8.1 Supertypes

[InstantiableAggregationType](#)

### 8.9.8.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.9.8.3 Associations

none.

### 8.9.8.4 Other Roles

From: [Instances::SETValue](#) as of-type

### 8.9.8.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->isUnique
```

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->ordering = Unordered
```

## 8.9.9 Class: SizeConstraint

Definition: A SizeConstraint represents a constraint on the number of members in each value of an EXPRESS aggregation type, stated as a bound in the syntactic designation for the type. A SizeConstraint represents either an upper-bound or a lower-bound. In the case of an ARRAY type, the value (hi-index - lo-index + 1) is both the lower-bound value and the upper-bound value. A SizeConstraint is a DomainConstraint, considered to have an equivalent Boolean expression using the built-in SizeOf() function.

Note: See 8.2.2, 8.2.3, and 8.2.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.9.9.1 Supertypes

[DomainConstraint](#)

### 8.9.9.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** bound

**To:** [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: represents a constant value specifying the (upper or lower) bound on the number of members in a valid instance of the aggregation type. This attribute is present when the bound expression is a "constant."

Note: See 8.2.2, 8.2.3, and 8.2.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.9.9.3 Associations

none.

### 8.9.9.4 Other Roles

From: [AGGREGATEType](#) as upper-bound

From: [AGGREGATEType](#) as lower-bound

From: [AggregationType](#) as upper-bound

From: [AggregationType](#) as lower-bound

From: [Redeclaration](#) as upper-bound

From: [Redeclaration](#) as lower-bound

From: [Role](#) as lower-bound

From: [Role](#) as upper-bound

From: [Algorithms::ActualAGGREGATEType](#) as lower-bound

From: [Algorithms::ActualAGGREGATEType](#) as upper-bound

### 8.9.9.5 Rules

**Constraint ()**

Every SizeConstraint is either an upper-bound or a lower-bound for exactly one AggregationType or GeneralAggregationType.

**Constraint ()**

A SizeConstraint is unique to the AggregationType (or GeneralAggregationType) it describes and the role (upper-bound/lower-bound) it plays with respect to that AggregationType.

## 8.10 Generalized Types

Generalized types are those EXPRESS data types that are "abstract," in the sense that every actual instance is an instance of some InstantiableType(s). These types are only permitted as the data type of formal parameters and the data type of "abstract" Attributes of ABSTRACT EntityTypes. They are shown in 8.10.



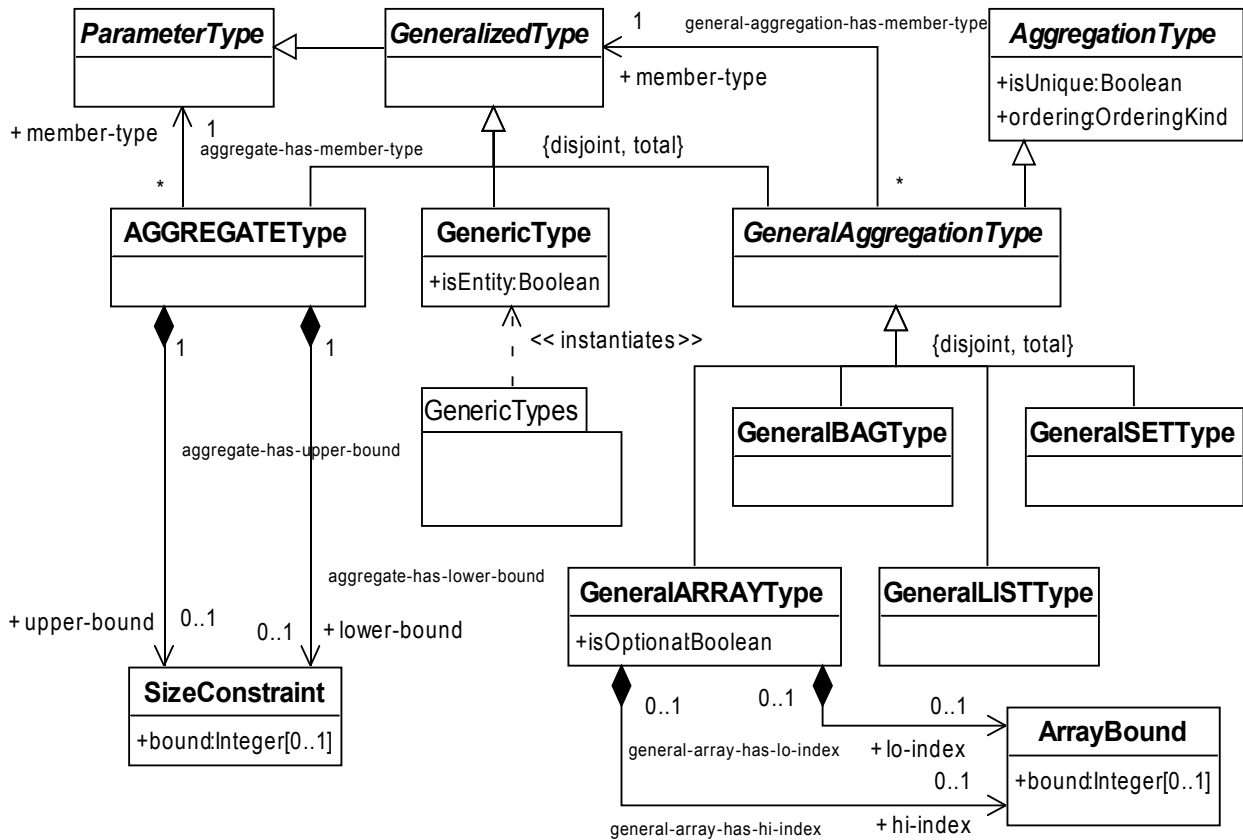


Figure 11 - Generalized Types

## 8.10.1 Class: AGGREGATEType

Definition: a GeneralizedType that is an abstraction of all AggregationTypes and all GeneralAggregationTypes. That is, any ARRAY, BAG, LIST, or SET Instance that satisfies the SizeConstraints (if any), whose members are of the specified member type or some specialization of it, is an instance of the AGGREGATEType. It follows that any ARRAY, BAG, LIST, or SET type whose instances are necessarily instances of the AGGREGATEType is a specialization.

Note: See 9.5.3.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.10.1.1 Supertypes

[GeneralizedType](#)

### 8.10.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.10.1.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: constraint

To: [Algorithms::ActualStructureConstraint](#)

via: [Algorithms::aggregate-has-constraint](#)

Definition: the ActualStructureConstraint, if any, that applies to this component of the GeneralizedType specification.

Note: Only an AGGREGATEType that appears in the specification of the data type of a Parameter can have an ActualStructureConstraint. The AGGREGATEType has an ActualStructureConstraint only if it has a syntactic type\_label and does not itself define that type\_label. See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: lower-bound**

**To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents a lower-bound constraint on aggregate values conforming to the AGGREGATE type. If the lower-bound constraint is present, the number of members of the aggregate value shall be greater than or equal to this value. If the lower-bound is not present or evaluates to zero, there is no constraint. Unless the lower-bound specified for the AGGREGATIONType is an explicit "0," this constraint shall appear.

Note: See 9.5.3.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: member-type**

**To: [ParameterType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between an AGGREGATE Type and the specification for the data type of the members of its instances. If the specification is an InstantiableType, the member-type of conforming aggregation types is required to be exactly that data type. If the specification is a GeneralizedType, the member-type of the conforming aggregation types must conform to it.

Note: See 9.5.3.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: upper-bound**

**To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents an upper-bound constraint on aggregate values conforming to the AGGREGATE type. If the upper-bound constraint is present and does not evaluate to indeterminate ("?"), the number of members of the aggregate value shall be less than or equal to this value. If the upper-bound is not present or evaluates to indeterminate, there is no constraint. Unless the upper-bound specified for the AGGREGATE type is an explicit "?", this constraint shall appear.

Note: See 9.5.3.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### **8.10.1.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **8.10.2 Class: GeneralAggregationType**

Definition: represents a GeneralizedType whose instances are AggregateValues with a specific structure (ARRAY, BAG, LIST or SET), but whose member-types are specializations of some specified GeneralizedType. That is, a GeneralAggregationType is an aggregation data type whose member-type is specified to be a GeneralizedType; while an (Instantiable) AggregationType is an aggregation data type whose member-type is specified to be an InstantiableType.

Any instance of a GeneralAggregationType is required to be an AggregateValue that has the specified structure and has members that are instances of some InstantiableType that conforms to the specified member-type. In addition, the instance must satisfy any DomainConstraints associated with the GeneralAggregationType.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 8.10.2.1 Supertypes

[AggregationType](#), [GeneralizedType](#)

### 8.10.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.10.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-type**                      **To: [GeneralizedType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a GeneralAggregationType and the conformance specification for the member-type.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.10.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.10.3 Class: GeneralARRAYType

Definition: represents a GeneralAggregationType whose structure is an ARRAY. The hi-index and lo-index values of a conforming ARRAYInstance are required to be equal to the values given for the GeneralARRAYType.

When the GeneralARRAYType is the data type of an abstract attribute (see 1.10.3.2), the datatype of every conforming redeclaration is required to be an ARRAYType or a GeneralARRAYType whose hi-index and lo-index values are equal to the values given for the GeneralARRAYType. In addition, the .isOptional property of the redeclaration shall be as specified below.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.10.3.1 Supertypes

[GeneralAggregationType](#)

### 8.10.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isOptional**                                      **To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: When isOptional is True, any conforming ARRAYInstance is permitted to have members whose value is indeterminate ("?"). When isOptional is False, no member of a conforming ARRAYInstance is permitted to have an unspecified value.

If isOptional is True for an abstract attribute, the member type of any attribute that redeclares the abstract attribute may be declared to be OPTIONAL; if False, the member type of an attribute that redeclares the abstract attribute shall not be declared to be OPTIONAL.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.10.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: hi-index**

**To: [ArrayBound](#)**

Definition: The hi-index value of a conforming ARRAY data type is required to be equal to the hi-index value, if any, for the GeneralARRAYType.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: lo-index**

**To: [ArrayBound](#)**

Definition: The lo-index value of a conforming ARRAY data type is required to be equal to the lo-index value, if any, for the GeneralARRAYType.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.10.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.10.4 Class: GeneralBAGType

Definition: represents a GeneralAggregationType whose structure is a BAG.

When the GeneralBAGType is the data type of an abstract attribute (see 1.10.3.2), the datatype of every conforming redeclaration is required to be a BAGType or a GeneralBAGType that includes or refines any DomainConstraint associated with the GeneralBAGType.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.10.4.1 Supertypes

[GeneralAggregationType](#)

### 8.10.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.10.4.3 Associations

none.

### 8.10.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.10.5 Class: GeneralizedType

Definition: an abstract classifier, representing those EXPRESS data types that are "abstract", in the sense that every actual instance is an instance of some InstantiableType(s). These types are only permitted as the data type of formal parameters and the data type of "abstract" Attributes of ABSTRACT EntityTypes. GeneralizedType is a proper subclass of ParameterType that is disjoint with InstantiableType.

Note: The syntactic occurrences of EXPRESS `generalized_type` do not always denote GeneralizedTypes per se. In particular, a `generalized_type` that appears with a `type_label` may denote an ActualType or a constraint. When used as the

type of a LocalVariable or FunctionResult, it denotes an ActualType (q.v.). When used as the type of a Parameter, it may be a GenericElement that defines a reference to the data type of the corresponding actual parameter (in addition to being a GeneralizedType specification for the allowable data types of the actual parameter), or it may represent a constraint on the data type of the corresponding actual parameter that relates to the data type of another actual parameter. See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### **8.10.5.1 Supertypes**

[ParameterType](#)

### **8.10.5.2 Attributes**

none.

### **8.10.5.3 Associations**

none.

### **8.10.5.4 Other Roles**

From: [GeneralAggregationType](#) as member-type

## **8.10.6 Class: GeneralLISTType**

Definition: represents a GeneralAggregationType whose structure is a LIST.

When the GeneralLISTType is the data type of an abstract attribute (see 1.10.3.2), the datatype of every conforming redeclaration is required to be a LISTType or a GeneralLISTType that includes or refines any DomainConstraint associated with the GeneralLISTType.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### **8.10.6.1 Supertypes**

[GeneralAggregationType](#)

### **8.10.6.2 Attributes**

none.

### **8.10.6.3 Associations**

none.

### **8.10.6.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **8.10.7 Class: GeneralSETType**

Definition: represents a GeneralAggregationType whose structure is a SET.

When the GeneralSETType is the data type of an abstract attribute (see 1.10.3.2), the datatype of every conforming redeclaration is required to be a SETType or a GeneralSETType that includes or refines any DomainConstraint associated with the GeneralSETType.

Note: See 9.5.3.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.10.7.1 Supertypes

[GeneralAggregationType](#)

### 8.10.7.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.10.7.3 Associations

none.

### 8.10.7.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.10.8 Class: GenericType

Definition: represents the EXPRESS generalized types GENERIC and GENERIC\_ENTITY, and some labeled instances of them. Every data type is a specialization of the GenericType GENERIC, and every Instance is an Instance of GENERIC. Every entity data type is a specialization of the GenericType GENERIC\_ENTITY. Every EntityInstance is an instance of GENERIC\_ENTITY and every instance of GENERIC\_ENTITY is an EntityInstance.

Note: See 9.5.3.2 and 9.5.3.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.10.8.1 Supertypes

[GeneralizedType](#)

### 8.10.8.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isEntity**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if the corresponding data type is required to be an Entity data type; False otherwise. .isEntity is True if the EXPRESS keyword was GENERIC\_ENTITY. .isEntity is False if the EXPRESS keyword was GENERIC.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.10.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: constraint**

**To: [Algorithms::ActualTypeConstraint](#)**

via: [Algorithms::generic-has-constraint](#)

Definition: the ActualTypeConstraint, if any, that applies to this component of the GeneralizedType specification.

Note: Only an GenericType that appears in the specification of the data type of a Parameter can have an ActualTypeConstraint. The GenericType has an ActualTypeConstraint only if it has a syntactic type\_label and does not itself define that type\_label. See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.10.8.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.11 Entities and Attributes

This section of the Core model introduces the entity and attribute concepts of the EXPRESS language.

8.11 shows the primary concepts associated with EXPRESS entities: EntityTypes, Attributes, UNIQUE rules, and DomainRules (WHERE rules). The SingleEntityType represents the group of attributes declared explicitly in the entity declaration (as distinct from those inherited), and is used in PartialEntityValues (see 9.5.6) that represent states of entities. PartialEntityType is a special data type that characterizes such values when they are produced in Expressions. All of these concepts are described in detail below.

DomainRules are a kind of TypeConstraint that applies to NamedTypes in general. They are described in 8.7.2. In the particular case of EntityTypes, they are used to capture constraints on the relationships among Attributes of the entity data type.

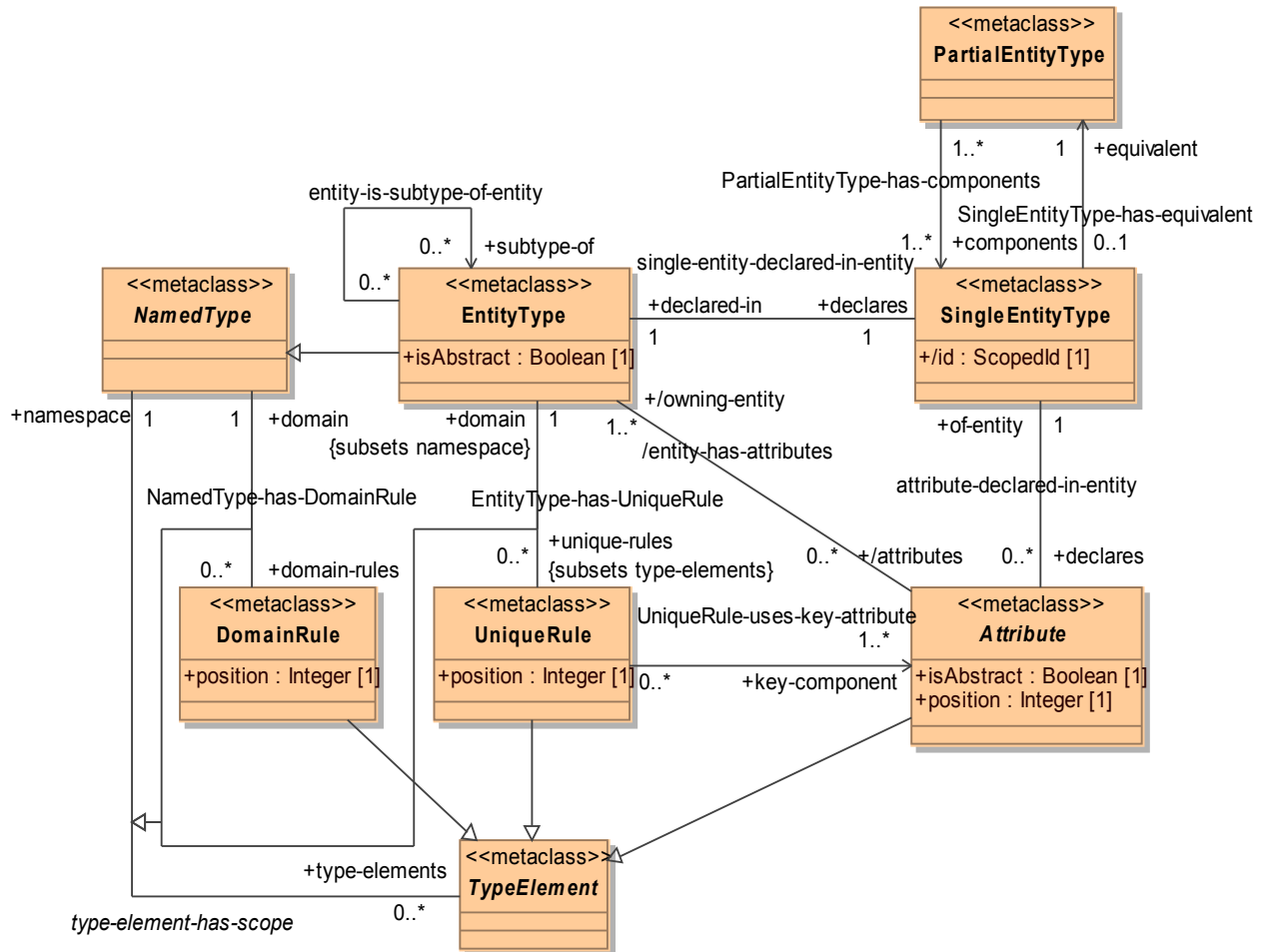


Figure 12 - Entity Types

8.11 depicts the concepts associated with Attributes in EXPRESS. Attributes are of three kinds: explicit, INVERSE, and DERIVED. To facilitate modeling INVERSE attributes and relationships, this model adds the concept InvertibleAttribute. All of these concepts are described below.

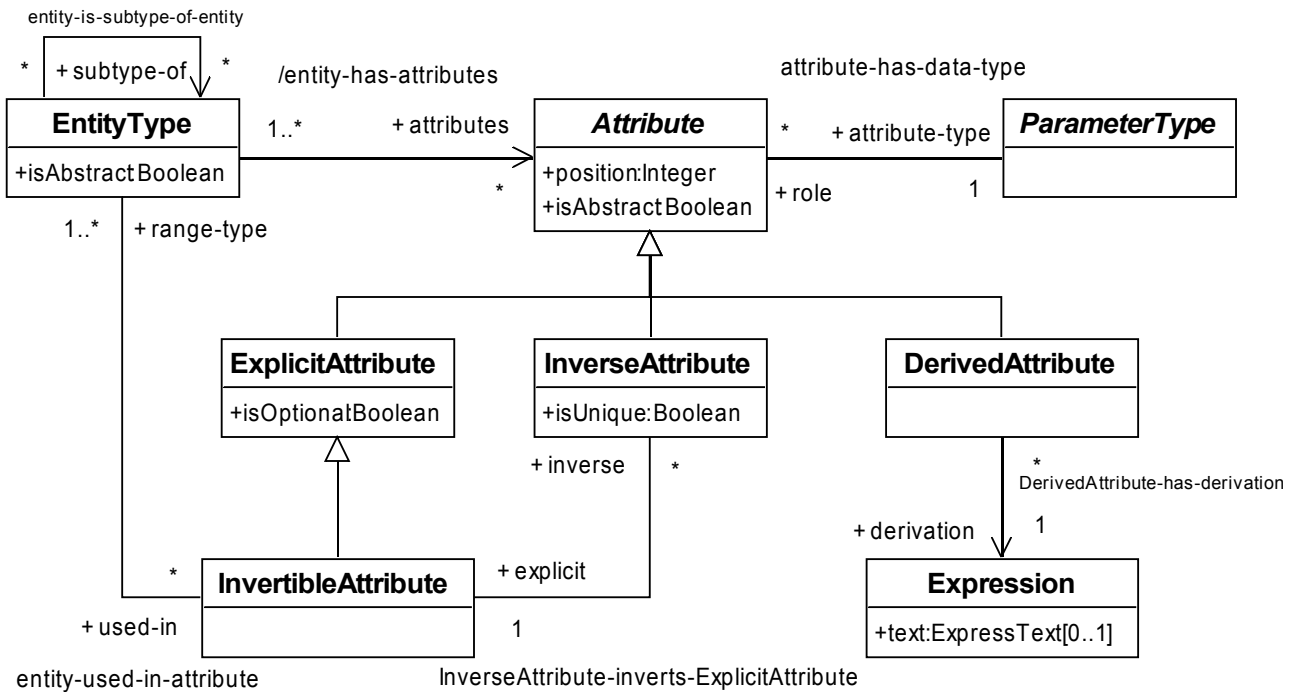


Figure 13 - Attributes

### 8.11.1 Class: Attribute

Definition: represents an EXPRESS attribute, i.e., a model of a property of an entity instance.

Note: See 9.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

#### 8.11.1.1 Supertypes

[TypeElement](#)

#### 8.11.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isAbstract**

To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if .isAbstract is True for the owning EntityType (see .of-entity) and the attribute-type of the EXPRESS attribute is a GeneralizedType; False in all other cases. When .isAbstract is True, this Attribute must be redeclared to have an attribute-type that is an InstantiableType in any subtype of the owning EntityType that is not itself ABSTRACT.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: position**

To: [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: Represents the position of the attribute declaration in the sequence of attribute declarations in the entity declaration.

Multiplicity: 1..1



### 8.11.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: attribute-type**

**To: [ParameterType](#)**

via: [attribute-has-data-type](#)

Definition: represents the required DataType for all values of that Attribute in all instances of the EntityType. The DataType is required to be an InstantiableType unless isAbstract is True for the EntityType, or the EntityType is defined in an AlgorithmScope (instead of a Schema).

Note: See 9.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: of-entity**

**To: [SingleEntityType](#)**

via: [attribute-declared-in-entity](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an Attribute to the SingleEntityType for which it was originally declared.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Note: The derived relationship `.of-entity.declared-in` is the specialization of `TypeElement.namespace` for Attributes. The EntityType is the namespace for the Attribute, not the SingleEntityType.

### 8.11.1.4 Other Roles

**From: [UniqueRule](#) as key-component**

**From: [EntityType](#) as attributes**

**From: [Redeclaration](#) as original-attribute**

**From: [Instances::RoleName](#) as refers-to**

**From: [Expressions::AttributeRef](#) as refers-to**

**From: [Expressions::UsedInRef](#) as inverse-of**

### 8.11.1.5 Rules

**Constraint (OCL)**

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every Attribute shall have an Identifier.

## 8.11.2 Class: DerivedAttribute

Definition: represents an EXPRESS DERIVE attribute = a property whose value can be determined from other attributes and relationships of the entity instance.

Note: See 9.2.1.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.11.2.1 Supertypes

[Attribute](#)

### 8.11.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.11.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: derivation** To: [Expression](#)

Definition: the Expression that specifies how to determine the value of the DerivedAttribute from the values of other Attributes.

Note: See 9.2.1.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.11.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.11.3 Class: EntityType

Definition: a NamedType representing an EXPRESS entity data type, a type declared by an entity\_declaration.

Note: See 9.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.11.3.1 Supertypes

[InstantiableType](#), [NamedType](#)

### 8.11.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isAbstract** To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if the EXPRESS entity data type is declared ABSTRACT in its original declaration, either as ABSTRACT entity or as ABSTRACT SUPERTYPE; False otherwise. The entity data type can also/later be declared "abstract" in a SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT, e.g., in an interfacing Schema, but that is taken as a constraint on the usage of the EntityType in that context.

Note: See 9.2.4 and 9.2.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.11.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: attributes** To: [Attribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and the declared Attributes of that EntityType, including those in the entity declaration and those inherited from supertypes.

Note: See 9.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: derived

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### TaggedValues

`derivation = declares.declares + subtype-of.declares.declares`

**AssociationEnd: declares** To: [SingleEntityType](#)

via: [single-entity-declared-in-entity](#)

Definition: the SingleEntityType that is declared in the declaration for the EntityType, i.e., the group of Attributes that is named for the EntityType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: extension**

To: [Instances::Extent](#)

via: [Instances::extent-of-EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and its extent (the set of corresponding EntityInstances) in a given Population.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: instances**

To: [Instances::EntityInstance](#)

via: [Instances::instance-of-EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType (classifier) and the EntityInstances that satisfy it.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: plays-domain-role**

To: [DomainRole](#)

via: [entity-plays-domain-role](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an entity type and the domain roles that its instances play.

For each InvertibleAttribute of the EntityType, the EntityType plays a corresponding DomainRole. An EntityInstance is considered to play the DomainRole once for each member of an InvertibleAttribute whose data type is an AggregationType..

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = ((self->attributes) * extent(InvertibleAttribute))->
  creates-relationship->domain
```

**AssociationEnd: plays-range-role**

To: [RangeRole](#)

via: [entity-plays-range-role](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an entity type and the range roles that its instances play. For each occurrence of the EntityType in/as the attribute-type of an InvertibleAttribute, the EntityType plays the corresponding RangeRole.

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = ParameterType::self->explicit-role->models-role
```

**AssociationEnd: redeclarations**

To: [Redeclaration](#)

via: [scope-of-redeclaration-is-EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityType and any attribute Redeclarations that appear in its declaration.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: subtype-of**                      **To: [EntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of an entity data type to its immediate supertypes – those entity data types from whose common domain the instances of the EntityType are drawn. For compatibility with the interpretation of other features of EXPRESS, this relationship extends only to those EntityTypes that are "immediate supertypes", i.e., those explicitly declared in the SUBTYPE OF clause for this EntityType.

Note: See 9.2.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: unique-rules**                      **To: [UniqueRule](#)**

via: [EntityType-has-UniqueRule](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and the local uniqueness rules that constrain the values of attributes of that EntityType

Note: See 9.2.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: used-in**                              **To: [InvertibleAttribute](#)**

via: [entity-used-in-attribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityType and the InvertibleAttributes (of other EntityTypes) that establish relationships to it.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 8.11.3.4 Other Roles

**From: [Rules::SupertypeRule](#) as named-supertype**

**From: [EntityType](#) as subtype-of**

**From: [Instances::EntityValue](#) as corresponds to**

**From: [Instances::SingleLeafInstance](#) as characterizing-type**

## 8.11.4 Class: ExplicitAttribute

Definition: represents an EXPRESS "explicit" attribute, a model of a property of an entity instance that is not, in general, derived from other properties of that instance or other entity instances.

Note: See 9.2.1.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.11.4.1 Supertypes

[Attribute](#)

#### 8.11.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** isOptional

**To:** [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if the entity instance is permitted to have no specified value for this attribute; False if a value for this attribute is required.

Note: See 9.2.1.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.11.4.3 Associations

none.

#### 8.11.4.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Expressions::AttributeBinding](#) as attribute

**From:** [Instances::AttributeValue](#) as attribute

**From:** [Statements::AttributeObject](#) as refers-to

### 8.11.5 Class: InverseAttribute

Definition: represents an EXPRESS INVERSE attribute = a property of each instance of this entity data type that represents a relationship between it and instances of some other entity data type, created by an InvertibleAttribute of that entity data type.

Note: See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.11.5.1 Supertypes

[Attribute](#)

#### 8.11.5.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** isUnique

**To:** [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if the designated relationship between this instance and any given instance can occur at most once; False if it can occur more than once. (True if the INVERSE attribute is described as a SET; False if it is described as a BAG.)

Note: See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.11.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** explicit

**To:** [InvertibleAttribute](#)

via: [InverseAttribute-inverts-ExplicitAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an inverse attribute of one entity data type to the explicit attribute (InvertibleAttribute) of another entity data type that models the Relationship from which the inverse attribute is derived.

Note: See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: models-role**

**To: [DomainRole](#)**

via: [InverseAttribute-models-role](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Inverse Attribute and the domain-role it defines. By extension (models-role.in-relationship), it models the relationship of the inverse attribute to the Relationship it denotes.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### **8.11.5.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **8.11.6 Class: InvertibleAttribute**

Definition: An ExplicitAttribute whose attribute type is one of:

- an EntityType
- a SelectType whose select-list consists of EntityTypes
- an AggregationType whose member-type is either of the above

An InvertibleAttribute models a Relationship between two EntityTypes – the EntityType that declares the InvertibleAttribute, and the EntityType that appears in its attribute-type.

An InvertibleAttribute whose attribute-type (or its member-type) is a SelectType defines one Relationship for each EntityType in the select-list.

Note: See ISO 10303-11.2:2004 clause 9.2.1.3

#### **8.11.6.1 Supertypes**

[ExplicitAttribute](#)

#### **8.11.6.2 Attributes**

none.

#### **8.11.6.3 Associations**

**AssociationEnd: creates-relationship**

**To: [Relationship](#)**

via: [InvertibleAttribute-creates-relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an InvertibleAttribute and the Relationship between EntityTypes that it models.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: inverse**

**To: [InverseAttribute](#)**

via: [InverseAttribute-inverts-ExplicitAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an explicit attribute denoting a Relationship to the inverse attribute of the range entity data type that models the same Relationship. While the inverse is conceptually unique, EXPRESS allows it to be declared differently in different subtypes of the original range entity.

Note: See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: models-role**

**To: [RangeRole](#)**

via: [InvertibleAttribute-models-role](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Explicit Attribute and the RangeRole it defines.

Note: An explicit attribute defines a RangeRole (and thus a Relationship) if and only if it is an InvertibleAttribute.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: range-type**

**To: [EntityType](#)**

via: [entity-used-in-attribute](#)

Definition: models the relationship between the InvertibleAttribute and the EntityTypes that are, or are members of, its attribute-type. These EntityTypes are the "range" of the Relationship with the "referencing" entity that is created by the InvertibleAttribute.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

#### **8.11.6.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **8.11.7 Class: PartialEntityType**

Definition: a-DataType representing a collection of SingleEntityTypes. A PartialEntityType is the data type of a PartialEntityValue.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### **8.11.7.1 Supertypes**

[DataType](#)

#### **8.11.7.2 Attributes**

none.

#### **8.11.7.3 Associations**

**AssociationEnd: components**

**To: [SingleEntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the PartialEntityValue and the SingleEntityValues that make it up.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

#### **8.11.7.4 Other Roles**

**From: [SingleEntityType](#) as equivalent**

**From: [Instances::PartialEntityValue](#) as of-type**

### **8.11.8 Class: SingleEntityType**

Definition: the group of Attributes of a given EntityType that appear directly in the entity\_declaration for that EntityType, i.e., excluding "inherited" attributes. A SingleEntityType corresponds to, and has the same id as, the EntityType whose declaration defines it.

Note: A SingleEntityType is not a DataType; it cannot be the type of an Expression result or of any other EXPRESS concept. It is only the "type" of SingleEntityValues, and they are not Instances. See 3.3.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004 (should be corrected by TC#1).

### 8.11.8.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.11.8.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** **To: [ScopedId](#)**

Definition: Represents the EXPRESS Identifier for the SingleEntityType, which is the same as the Identifier for the corresponding EntityType

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->derived-from->id
```

### 8.11.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: declares** **To: [Attribute](#)**

via: [attribute-declared-in-entity](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SingleEntityType and the Attributes declared in the entity declaration for the corresponding EntityType..

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: derived-from** **To: [EntityType](#)**

via: [single-entity-declared-in-entity](#)

Definition: represents the derivation of the SingleEntityType from the entity\_declaration for the EntityType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: equivalent** **To: [PartialEntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the SingleEntityType and the "equivalent" PartialEntityType, namely, the PartialEntityType that consists of exactly that one SingleEntityType. For those PartialEntityTypes that are equivalent to SingleEntityTypes, the PartialEntityType.includes relationship is the inverse of this relationship.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.11.8.4 Other Roles

**From: [PartialEntityType](#) as components**

**From: [Instances::SingleEntityValue](#) as of-type**

**From: [Expressions::GroupRef](#) as refers-to**

**From: [Expressions::PartialEntityConstructor](#) as attribute-group**

**From: [Statements::GroupObject](#) as refers-to**



### 8.11.8.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
sizeof(self->equivalent->includes) = 1
```

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->equivalent->includes[1] = self
```

### 8.11.9 Class: UniqueRule

Definition: represents an EXPRESS UNIQUE rule = a requirement that the combination of values of the specified "key" attributes be unique over all instances of the entity data type in a given Population.

Note: See 9.2.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.11.9.1 Supertypes

[TypeElement](#)

#### 8.11.9.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: Represents the position of the Unique Rule in the list of rules following the UNIQUE keyword in the entity/type declaration.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 8.11.9.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To: [EntityType](#)**

via: [EntityType-has-UniqueRule](#)

Subsets: [Core::TypeElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of the UniqueRule to the EntityType whose Extent is the domain of values to which it applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: key-component**

**To: [Attribute](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the UniqueRule and the "key" attributes of the (possibly joint) key for the instances of the EntityType

Note: See 9.2.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

#### 8.11.9.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.11.10 Association: attribute-declared-in-entity

Definition: represents the relationship between a `SingleEntityType` and the `Attributes` declared in the entity declaration for the corresponding `EntityType`.

### 8.11.10.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: declares** To: [Attribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a `SingleEntityType` and the `Attributes` declared in the entity declaration for the corresponding `EntityType`.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: of-entity** To: [SingleEntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an `Attribute` to the `SingleEntityType` for which it was originally declared.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.11.11 Association: attribute-has-data-type

Definition: represents the relationship between an `Attribute` and the `ParameterType` that characterizes all values of the `Attribute`.

Note: See 9.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.11.11.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: attribute-type** To: [ParameterType](#)

Definition: represents the required data type for all values of that `Attribute` in all instances of the `EntityType`. The attribute-type is required to be an `InstantiableType` unless either:

- `isAbstract` is `True` for the `EntityType`, in which case the attribute-type may be a `GeneralizedType`, or
- the `EntityType` is defined in an `AlgorithmScope` (instead of a `Schema`), in which case the attribute-type may be an `ActualType`.

Note: See 9.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: role** To: [Attribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the `ParameterType` and the roles (attributes of entities) that its admissible values may play.

Note: See 9.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.11.12 Association: EntityType-has-UniqueRule

Definition: Definition: represents the relationship between an `EntityType` and the local uniqueness rules that constrain the values of attributes of that `EntityType`.

### 8.11.12.1 Supertypes

[type-element-has-scope](#)

## 8.11.12.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To:** [EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of the UniqueRule to the EntityType whose Extent is the domain of values to which it applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: unique-rules**

**To:** [UniqueRule](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and the local uniqueness rules that constrain the values of attributes of that EntityType.

Note: See 9.2.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.11.13 Association: InverseAttribute-inverts-ExplicitAttribute

Definition: represents the relationship of an INVERSE attribute of one entity data type to the explicit attribute (InvertibleAttribute) of the entity data type that models the Relationship from which the inverse attribute is derived.

### 8.11.13.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: explicit**

**To:** [InvertibleAttribute](#)

Definition: the explicit attribute (InvertibleAttribute) of the associated entity data type that models the Relationship from which the inverse attribute is derived.

Note: The attribute-type of the InverseAttribute may be a subtype of the entity data type that defines the InvertibleAttribute.

Note: See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: inverse**

**To:** [InverseAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an explicit attribute denoting a Relationship to the inverse attribute of the range entity data type that models the same Relationship. While the inverse is conceptually unique, EXPRESS allows it to be declared differently in different subtypes of the original range entity.

Note: See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.11.14 Association: single-entity-declared-in-entity

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityType and the SingleEntityType that is implicitly declared in the entity\_declaration for the EntityType.

### 8.11.14.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: declares**

**To:** [SingleEntityType](#)

Definition: the SingleEntityType that is declared in the declaration for the EntityType, i.e., the group of Attributes that is named for the EntityType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: declared-in**                      **To: [EntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the derivation of the SingleEntityType from the entity\_declaration for the EntityType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.12 Relationships

According to ISO 10303-11, a "distributive relationship" between entity data types is modeled by an attribute whose data type is either an entity type or an aggregation type whose member type is an entity type. This section models the "distributive relationship" concepts.

Note: The primary purpose of this subclause is to facilitate mappings to languages in which relationships, also called "associations" or "properties," are first-class concepts from which the associated "attributes" are derived.

In EXPRESS, all relationships are directed. The entity type that is the "domain" of the relationship has an explicit attribute – an InvertibleAttribute – that denotes the relationship; the entity type that is the "range" of the relationship may have an inverse attribute that denotes the relationship, but EXPRESS always supports an implicit inverse attribute via the UsedIn function (see 12.5.3).

8.12 shows these concepts, and their relationship to the Attribute concepts. They are described in detail below.

Note: In Figure 14, the «implicit» relationship entity-has-attributes represents the derived association entity-has-attributes defined in 8.11.3.3, but restricted to InvertibleAttribute, which is a subclass of Attribute.

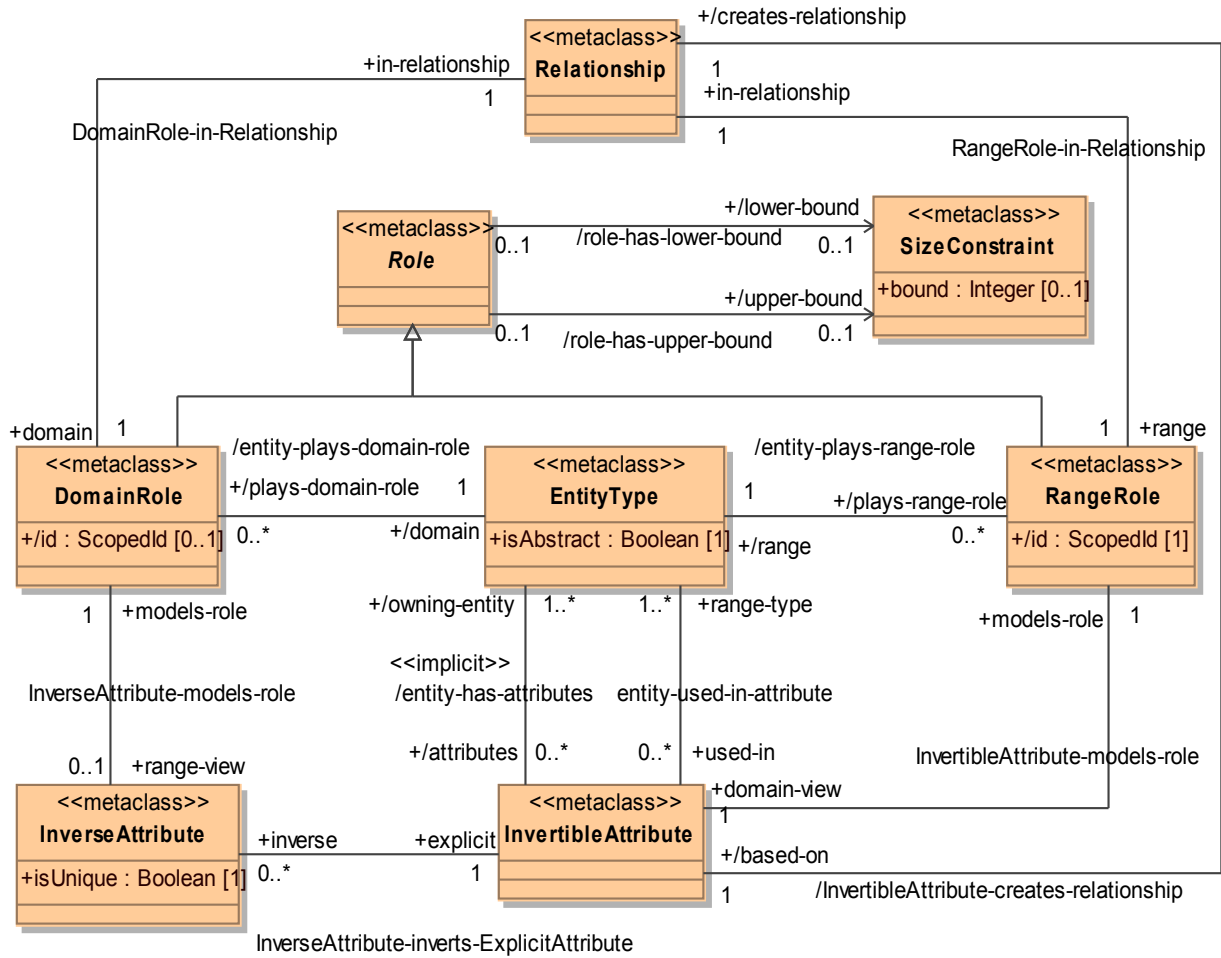


Figure 14 - Relationships

### 8.12.1 Class: DomainRole

Definition: a role representing the behavior of the entity instances that is designated the "domain" of the relationship

#### 8.12.1.1 Supertypes

[Role](#)

#### 8.12.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id To: [ScopedId](#)**

Definition: Represents the "complete" identifier for the Role. The identifier for the DomainRole is derived from the identifier for the InverseAttribute, when present, including the Identifier value and the associated EntityType identifier. When there is no InverseAttribute, .id has no proper value, but the DomainRole may be identified by the pseudo-identifier: UsedIn.<RangeRole.id>, where <RangeRole.id> is the identifier for the RangeRole in the Relationship.

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## TaggedValues

derivation = self->range-view->id

### 8.12.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To: [EntityType](#)**

via: [entity-plays-domain-role](#)

Definition: represents the (single) entity data type common to all instances that play the Domain Role. Derivation: .domain = .in-relationship.range.domain-view.of-entity.

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## TaggedValues

derivation = self->in-relationship->range->domain-view->of-entity

**AssociationEnd: in-relationship**

**To: [Relationship](#)**

via: [DomainRole-in-Relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Domain Role and the (unique) Relationship in which it is defined

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: range-view**

**To: [InverseAttribute](#)**

via: [InverseAttribute-models-role](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a domain-role and the inverse attributes of the range entities that model it. Different subtypes of the primary "range" entity data type can define different views of (and constraints on) the domain role. The "range" entity has an inverse attribute that defines the "domain" role (the role of the other entity).

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.12.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.12.2 Class: RangeRole

Definition: a role representing the behavior of the entity instances that is designated the "range" of the relationship

### 8.12.2.1 Supertypes

[Role](#)

### 8.12.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To: [ScopedId](#)**

Definition: Represents the "complete" identifier for the Role. The identifier for a RangeRole is derived from the identifier for the ExplicitAttribute that creates the relationship, including the Identifier value and the associated EntityType identifier.

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->domain-view->id
```

### 8.12.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: domain-view**

**To: [InvertibleAttribute](#)**

via: [InvertibleAttribute-models-role](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a RangeRole and the InvertibleAttribute of the domain/referencing entity that models it.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: in-relationship**

**To: [Relationship](#)**

via: [RangeRole-in-Relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Range Role and the (unique) Relationship in which it is defined.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: range**

**To: [EntityType](#)**

via: [entity-plays-range-role](#)

Definition: represents the (single) entity data type common to all instances that play the Range Role. Derivation: `.range = .domain-view.attribute-type`

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->domain-view->attribute-type
```

### 8.12.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.12.3 Class: Relationship

Definition: a "distributive relationship" between entity data types.

Every InvertibleAttribute creates a Relationship between two EntityTypes and creates two Roles -- one for each participating EntityType. All relationships are directed. The InvertibleAttribute is an explicit attribute of the EntityType that plays the DomainRole; the range-type of the InvertibleAttribute is the EntityType that plays the RangeRole.

The range-type may have an inverse attribute denoting the DomainRole; or the DomainRole may be referred to by the UsedIn function (see 12.5.3).

### 8.12.3.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.12.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 8.12.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: based-on**

**To: [InvertibleAttribute](#)**

via: [InvertibleAttribute-creates-relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Relationship and the InvertibleAttribute on which it is based, i.e., the Attribute that creates the Relationship.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To: [DomainRole](#)**

via: [DomainRole-in-Relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Relationship and the Role that is its DomainRole.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: range**

**To: [RangeRole](#)**

via: [RangeRole-in-Relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Relationship and its "range" role.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.12.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 8.12.4 Class: Role

Definition: a "slot" in a relationship, denoting the behavior of one of the Instances involved in the relationship. Since all relationships in EXPRESS are directed, the two slots are nominally designated domain and range.

Properties: abstract

### 8.12.4.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.12.4.2 Attributes

none.



### 8.12.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: lower-bound**

**To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents a lower-bound on the number of Relationship instances in which a given EntityInstance can play this Role. An explicit zero ("0") value may be considered to represent no lower-bound constraint; and the lower-bound relationship need not appear. (A lower-bound expression that may evaluate to zero shall always be represented by a lower-bound relationship.) The lower-bound on the Domain role is specified by the Explicit Attribute that models the RangeRole. The lower-bound on the Range role is specified by the Inverse Attribute that models the Domain Role, if any, or possibly by a DomainRule on the "range" EntityType involving UsedIn(SELF, ).

Note: Because the ExplicitAttribute that creates the Relationship may have an aggregation data type for which isUnique does not hold, a given pair of participating entity instances may occur more than once as an instance of the Relationship. The Size constraint is on the count of pairs, not the count of distinct pairs. See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**TaggedValues**

derivation =

**AssociationEnd: upper-bound**

**To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents an upper-bound on the number of Relationship instances in which a given EntityInstance can play the Role. An explicit indeterminate value ("?") is considered to represent no upper-bound constraint, and shall not be represented by an upper-bound relationship. (An upper-bound expression that may evaluate to "?" shall be represented by an upper-bound relationship.)

Note: The upper-bound on the Domain role is specified by the Explicit Attribute that models the RangeRole. The upper-bound on the Range role is specified by the Inverse Attribute that models the Domain Role, if any, or possibly by a DomainRule on the "range" EntityType involving UsedIn(SELF, ).

Note: Because the ExplicitAttribute that creates the Relationship may have an aggregation data type for which isUnique does not hold, a given pair of participating entity instances may occur more than once as an instance of the Relationship. The Size constraint is on the count of pairs, not the count of distinct pairs. See 9.2.1.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: derived.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**TaggedValues**

derivation =

### 8.12.4.4 Other Roles

**From: [Redeclaration](#) as refined-role**

## 8.12.5 Association: DomainRole-in-Relationship

Definition: represents the relationship between the Relationship and the Role that is its DomainRole.

### 8.12.5.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: domain**

**To: [DomainRole](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the Relationship and the Role that is its DomainRole.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: in-relationship**                      **To: [Relationship](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Domain Role and the (unique) Relationship in which it is defined

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.12.6 Association: entity-plays-domain-role

Definition: represents the relationship between an entity type and the domain roles that its instances play.

Properties: derived

### 8.12.6.1 Dependencies

**Dependency on Association: [entity-has-attributes](#)**

Stereotypes: derivedFrom

Derivation: An EntityType plays a DomainRole by having the InvertibleAttribute that creates the Relationship and denotes the RangeRole. This relationship may be inherited, and InverseAttributes may distinguish "subtypes" of the DomainRole.

### 8.12.6.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: domain**                                      **To: [EntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the (single) entity data type common to all instances that play the Domain Role.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = self->in-relationship->range->domain-view->of-entity
```

**AssociationEnd: plays-domain-role**                      **To: [DomainRole](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between an entity type and the domain roles that its instances play.

For each InvertibleAttribute of the EntityType, the EntityType plays a corresponding DomainRole. An EntityInstance is considered to play the DomainRole once for each member of an InvertibleAttribute whose data type is an AggregationType..

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = ((self->attributes) * extent(InvertibleAttribute))->
  creates-relationship->domain
```

## 8.12.7 Association: entity-plays-range-role

Definition: represents the relationship between an entity type and the range roles that its instances play.

Properties: derived

### 8.12.7.1 Dependencies

#### Dependency on Association: [entity-used-in-attribute](#)

Stereotypes: derivedFrom

Derivation: an EntityType plays a RangeRole by being the range-type of the InvertibleAttribute that models the Relationship.

### 8.12.7.2 Association Ends

#### AssociationEnd: plays-range-role To: [RangeRole](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an entity type and the range roles that its instances play.

For each occurrence of the EntityType as the attribute-type, or a member of the attribute-type, of an explicit attribute (InvertibleAttribute), the EntityType plays the corresponding RangeRole (.models-role).

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = ParameterType::self->explicit-role->models-role
```

#### AssociationEnd: range To: [EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the (single) entity data type common to all instances that play the Range Role. Derivation: .range = .domain-view.attribute-type

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->domain-view->attribute-type
```

## 8.12.8 Association: entity-used-in-attribute

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityType and the InvertibleAttributes (of other EntityTypes) that establish relationships to it.

### 8.12.8.1 Association Ends

#### AssociationEnd: range-type To: [EntityType](#)

Definition: models the relationship between the InvertibleAttribute and the EntityTypes that are, or are members of, its attribute-type. These EntityTypes are the "range" of the Relationship with the "referencing" entity that is created by the InvertibleAttribute.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

#### AssociationEnd: used-in To: [InvertibleAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityType and the InvertibleAttributes (of other EntityTypes) that establish relationships to it.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 8.12.9 Association: InverseAttribute-models-role

Definition: represents the relationship between an Inverse Attribute and the domain-role it refers to.

### 8.12.9.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: models-role** To: [DomainRole](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Inverse Attribute and the domain-role it defines. By extension (models-role.in-relationship), it models the relationship of the inverse attribute to the Relationship it denotes.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: range-view** To: [InverseAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a domain-role and the inverse attributes of the range entities that model it. Different subtypes of the primary "range" entity data type can define different views of (and constraints on) the domain role. The "range" entity has an inverse attribute that defines the "domain" role (the role of the other entity).

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 8.12.10 Association: InvertibleAttribute-creates-relationship

Definition: represents the relationship between an InvertibleAttribute and the Relationship between EntityTypes that it models.

### 8.12.10.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: based-on** To: [InvertibleAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Relationship and the InvertibleAttribute on which it is based, i.e., the Attribute that creates the Relationship.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: creates-relationship** To: [Relationship](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an InvertibleAttribute and the Relationship between EntityTypes that it models.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.12.11 Association: InvertibleAttribute-models-role

Definition: represents the relationship between an Invertible Attribute and the RangeRole it defines.

### 8.12.11.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: domain-view** To: [InvertibleAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a RangeRole and the InvertibleAttribute of the domain/referencing entity that models it.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: models-role** To: [RangeRole](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Explicit Attribute and the RangeRole it defines.

Note: An explicit attribute defines a RangeRole (and thus a Relationship) if and only if it is an InvertibleAttribute.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 8.12.12 Association: RangeRole-in-Relationship

Definition: represents the relationship between a Range Role and the (unique) Relationship in which it is defined.

### 8.12.12.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: in-relationship**                      **To: [Relationship](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Range Role and the (unique) Relationship in which it is defined

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: range**                                      **To: [RangeRole](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the Relationship and its "range" role.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.13 Redeclarations

Redeclaration is an EXPRESS mechanism that permits a subtype to "redeclare" an inherited attribute in order to constrain its possible values in instances of the subtype. 8.13 shows the model of this concept, and this section defines the related metamodel elements.

Note: The "implicit" association entity-plays-role in 8.13 is used to represent the two associations entity-plays-domain-role (see 8.12.6) and entity-plays-range-role (see 8.12.7) without further cluttering the diagram. It is not a part of the model.

Note:

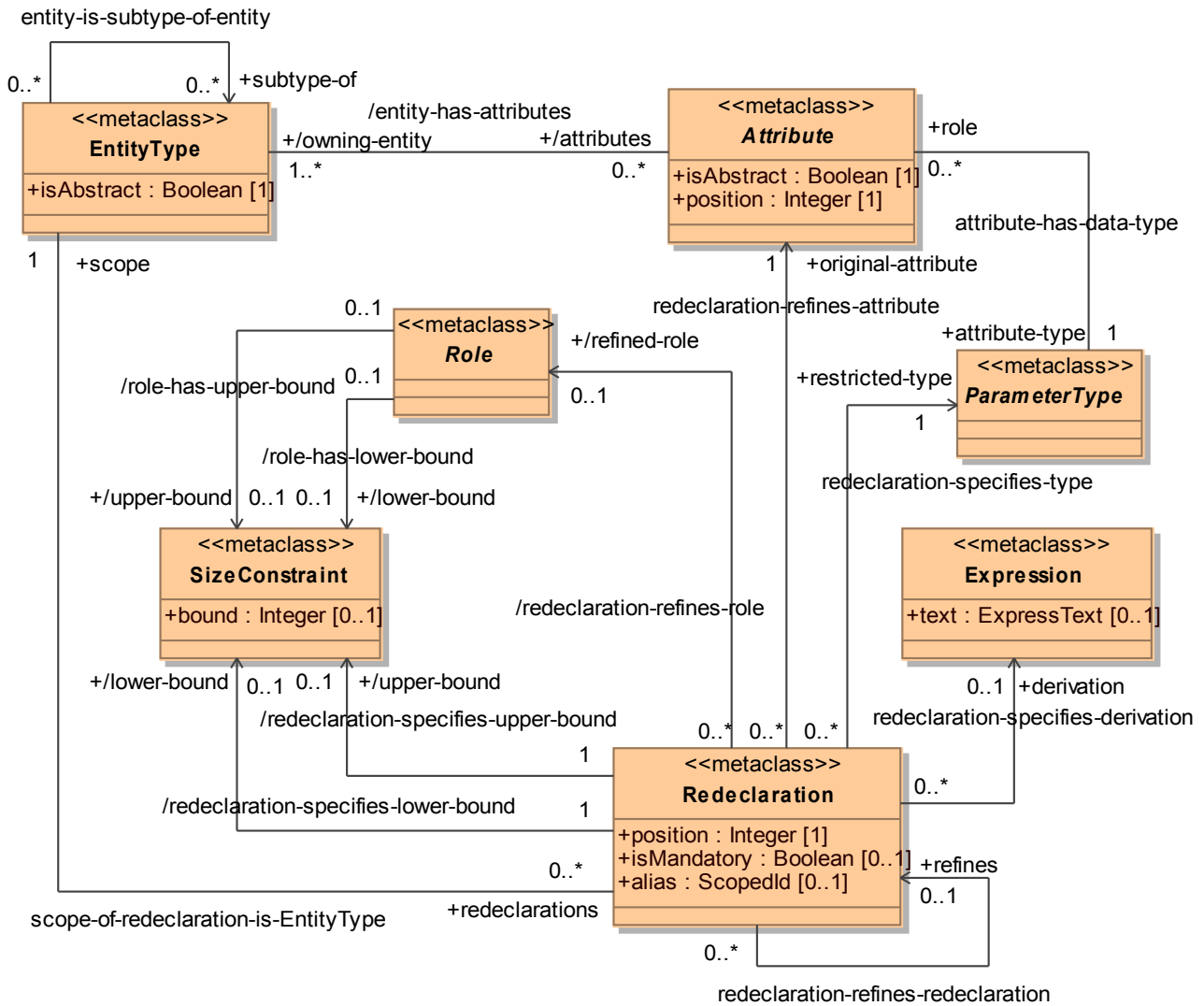


Figure 15 - Redeclarations

### 8.13.1 Class: Redeclaration

Definition: represents the "redeclaration" of an EXPRESS attribute in a subtype of the entity data type for which that attribute was originally declared. A redeclaration represents a refinement of the original attribute concept in the subtype, and it states corresponding constraints on the possible values of that attribute in the subtype. It may also rename the attribute for the subtype. When the attribute-type of the original-attribute is an EntityType, the Redeclaration may be seen as refining the RangeRole represented by the original-attribute for the domain restricted to the subtype.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 8.13.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.13.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: alias**

To: [ScopedId](#)

Definition: an additional EXPRESS identifier that may be used to identify the original attribute in this subtype.

Note: See 9.2.2.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**Attribute: isMandatory**

To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if the entity instance is required to have a value for this attribute in this subtype; False if it is permitted to have no specified value. This attribute is only present if isOptional is True for the original attribute.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**Attribute: position**

To: [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: Represents the position of the redeclaration in the sequence of attribute declarations in the entity declaration. By convention these follow all the new attribute declarations of each kind.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 8.13.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: derivation**

To: [Expression](#)

Definition: When specified, represents a Redeclaration that redeclares an ExplicitAttribute to be "derived" in the .scope subtype. That is, it declares an Expression that can be used to derive (or validate) the value of the redeclared Attribute in this subtype.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: lower-bound**

To: [SizeConstraint](#)

Definition: represents a restriction on the minimum cardinality of the role that is stated by the Redeclaration. This is the case when the Redeclaration redeclares the ParameterType to restrict the minimum size of the aggregate values.

Multiplicity: 0..1

Properties: derived.

**TaggedValues**

derivation =

**AssociationEnd: original-attribute**

To: [Attribute](#)

Definition: identifies the original Attribute being redeclared by the Redeclaration. If the Redeclaration redeclares another redeclared-attribute (see .refines), the .original-attribute is determined transitively. Every Redeclaration ultimately constrains an original attribute in some supertype.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: refined-role**                      **To: [Role](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Redeclaration and the Role represented by the .original-attribute.

If the Redeclaration redeclares an InvertibleAttribute, it refines the corresponding RangeRole by restricting the allowable participants in the RangeRole for the domain that is the .scope of the Redeclaration. If the Redeclaration redeclares an InverseAttribute, it refines the corresponding DomainRole by restricting the allowable participants in the DomainRole for the range that is the .scope of the Redeclaration.

Multiplicity: 0..1

Properties: derived.

**TaggedValues**

derivation =

**AssociationEnd: refines**                                      **To: [Redeclaration](#)**

Definition: This relationship is present only when a Redeclaration is stated as a refinement of an attribute of a subtype that itself redeclares that attribute. .refines refers to the Redeclaration that represents that redeclared attribute.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: restricted-type**                      **To: [ParameterType](#)**

Definition: when specified, specifies the subtype or specialization of the data type of the original attribute to which all values of the original attribute in instances of the "scope" EntityType must conform.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: scope**                                      **To: [EntityType](#)**

via: [scope-of-redeclaration-is-EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Redeclaration and the entity data type to which the redeclaration applies. Values for the original attribute are constrained by the Redeclaration for instances of the .scope EntityType and all of its subtypes. The .scope EntityType is the namespace of the .alias identifier, if present.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: upper-bound**                      **To: [SizeConstraint](#)**

Definition: represents a restriction on the maximum cardinality of the role that is stated by the Redeclaration. This is the case when the Redeclaration redeclares the ParameterType to restrict the maximum size of the aggregate values.

Multiplicity: 0..1

Properties: derived.

**TaggedValues**

Derivation =

### 8.13.1.4 Other Roles

**From: [Redeclaration](#) as refines**



## 8.13.2 Association: scope-of-redeclaration-is-EntityType

Definition: represents the relationship between the Redeclaration and the entity data type to which the redeclaration applies.

### 8.13.2.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: redeclarations**                      **To: [Redeclaration](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityType and any attribute Redecclarations that appear in its declaration.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: scope**                                      **To: [EntityType](#)**

Definition: the entity data type to which the redeclaration applies.

Values for the original attribute are constrained by the Redeclaration for instances of the .scope EntityType and all of its subtypes. The .scope EntityType is the namespace of the .alias identifier, if present.

Note: See 9.2.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 8.14 Expressions and Instances

This section of the Core model introduces the basic concepts for Expression and Instance, which are expanded in other packages. They are provided here so that implementations need not support the Expressions and Instances Packages in order to support all features of the Core model.

For Expressions, the Core package contains only the class Expression. The optional .text attribute allows an Expression to be represented as verbatim EXPRESS language text. The Expressions package (see clause 12) models the subclasses of Expression that represent the semantic interpretation of the parsed language text. Support for the Expressions Package is a compliance point (see 4.4.4).

The class Instance is abstract. The Core package contains the Instance concept solely in order to model the semantics of Expressions. The Instances Package (see Clause 9) models the detailed expansion of the Instance concept, including all of the instantiable subclasses. Support for the Instances package is a compliance point (see 4.4.1). Implementations that do not support the Instances package do not, in general, need to provide any implementation of the Instances class, and may provide any simple implementation where needed.

8.14 shows the base Expression and Instance concepts, and they are described below.

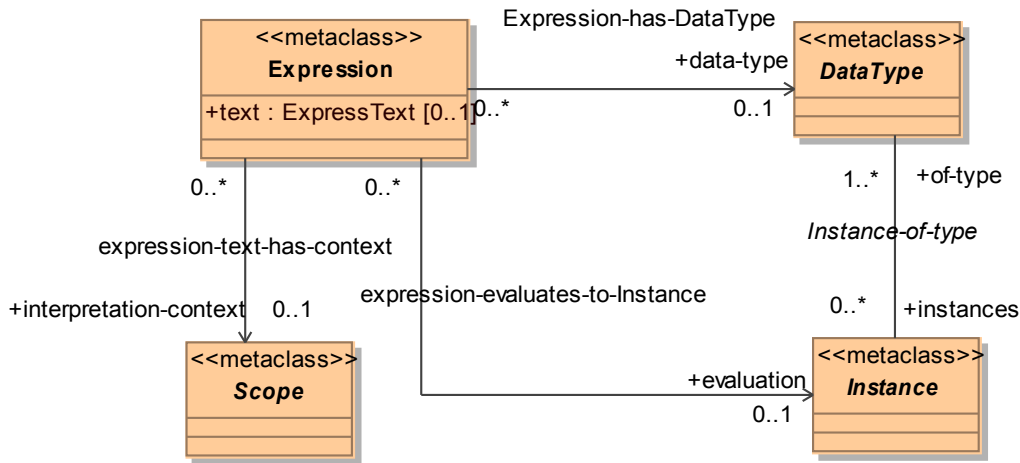


Figure 16 - Basic Expression Concepts

## 8.14.1 Class: Expression

Definition: In general, an Expression is the representation of an Instance by a set of computational operations that will produce that Instance when performed in the context in which the Expression occurs. An Expression is always evaluated in a context which determines the Instances denoted by the model elements (e.g., Variables, Attributes, etc.) that appear in the Expression. This context is explicit in the model element that contains the Expression being evaluated, but it implicitly includes the Population under study. The Instance produced by the same Expression may vary from context to context. The Instance produced is said to be the *value*, or the *evaluation*, of the Expression.

Note: In general, Expressions are treated as reusable. It is recommended, however, that, except for literals and local variables, each occurrence should be a unique object. A few uses of Expression are not treated in the model as reusable, specifically those that are the definitions of Rules.

### 8.14.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 8.14.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: text**

**To: [ExpressText](#)**

Definition: represents the actual EXPRESS language text denoting the Expression. The text is required if the Expressions Package is not implemented. It is optional in most cases when the Expressions Package is implemented. Certain forms of Expression (in the Expressions Package) specialize the text attribute.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 8.14.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: data-type**

**To: [DataType](#)**

Definition: represents the DataType of the evaluation of the Expression. While the result of an Expression always has a DataType, it is not always possible to determine at model-analysis time what that data type is. And in many cases, even when it is known, it is not necessary to specify it.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: evaluation**

**To: [Instance](#)**

Definition: represents the Instance (value) that results from evaluating the Expression. Since the same Expression can be evaluated in more than one "situation", i.e. different values for the operands, the result in each situation may be a different Instance. The evaluation is included in a model, however, only when it is "constant" and can be computed at "compile time."

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: interpretation-context To: [Scope](#)**

Definition: An Expression is always evaluated in a context which determines the assignment of specific instances of model elements to symbols (e.g., Variables, Attributes, etc.). When the Expression is represented by text only, this relationship is usually required, but in many cases it may be implicit. When the Expression is represented by the detailed model elements in the Expressions Package, the interpretation of the Text has been done, and this association is purely documentary and not required. Certain permissible EXPRESS constructs, however, only permit interpretation of certain keyword symbols to Operations in the presence of actual operand Instances.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### 8.14.1.4 Other Roles

From: [ArrayBound](#) as bound-expression

From: [DerivedAttribute](#) as derivation

From: [DomainConstraint](#) as asserts

From: [Redeclaration](#) as derivation

From: [Algorithms::LocalVariable](#) as initial-value

From: [Expressions::ActualParameter](#) as actual-value

From: [Expressions::AggregateIndex](#) as index-value

From: [Expressions::AttributeBinding](#) as attribute-value

From: [Expressions::BinaryIndex](#) as first-bit

From: [Expressions::BinaryIndex](#) as last-bit

From: [Expressions::BinaryOperation](#) as right-operand

From: [Expressions::BinaryOperation](#) as left-operand

From: [Expressions::Coercion](#) as operand

From: [Expressions::IndexOperation](#) as base-value

From: [Expressions::MemberBinding](#) as member-value

From: [Expressions::QueryExpression](#) as aggregate-operand

From: [Expressions::QueryExpression](#) as select-condition

From: [Expressions::RepeatCount](#) as derivation

From: [Expressions::Selector](#) as entity-instance

From: [Expressions::StringIndex](#) as first-code

From: [Expressions::StringIndex](#) as last-code

From: [Expressions::UnaryOperation](#) as unary-operand

From: [Instances::Constant](#) as value-expression  
From: [Rules::NamedRule](#) as asserts-expression  
From: [Rules::SubtypeConstraint](#) as equivalent-rule  
From: [Statements::Assignment](#) as assigned-value  
From: [Statements::CaseAction](#) as label-value  
From: [Statements::CaseStatement](#) as selection-expression  
From: [Statements::ControlVariable](#) as bound-value  
From: [Statements::ControlVariable](#) as increment  
From: [Statements::ControlVariable](#) as initial-value  
From: [Statements::IfStatement](#) as if-condition  
From: [Statements::MemberCell](#) as index-value  
From: [Statements::RepeatStatement](#) as while-expression  
From: [Statements::RepeatStatement](#) as until-expression  
From: [Statements::ReturnStatement](#) as return-value

#### 8.14.1.5 Rules

##### Constraint ()

An Expression can only exist to fulfill a role.

#### 8.14.2 Class: Instance

Definition: represents any real or conceptual object, information unit or data item.

Properties: abstract

##### 8.14.2.1 Supertypes

none.

##### 8.14.2.2 Attributes

none.

##### 8.14.2.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: appears-in-population To: [Instances::Population](#)

via: [Instances::instance-appears-in-population](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Instance and the Populations in which it appears.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

##### 8.14.2.4 Other Roles

From: [Expression](#) as evaluation

From: [Instances::ArrayMember](#) as member-value

From: [Instances::ListMember](#) as member-value

From: [Instances::BagMember](#) as member-value

From: [Instances::SETValue](#) as member-value

From: [Instances::AttributeValue](#) as actual-value

From: [Instances::Constant](#) as actual-value

## 8.15 Instance Package: BuiltInTypes

This Package is a part of the Core Package. It contains required instances of subclasses of SimpleType. All of the other instances of SimpleType appear in a Schema as a SimpleType with a constraint or a precision.

Note: The purpose of making this a Package is to separate the class model from the "ground facts."

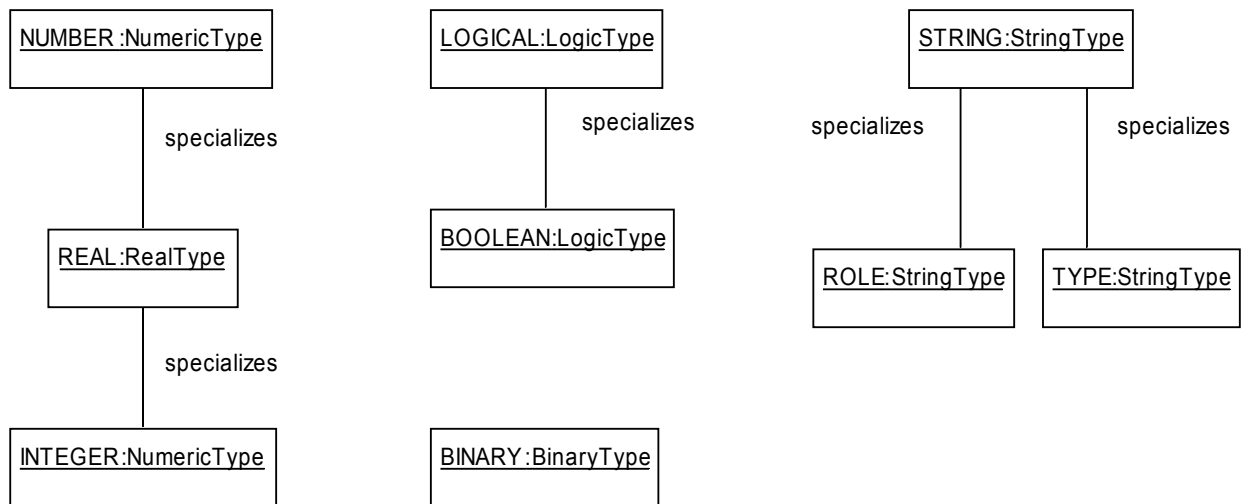


Figure 17 - Instance Model for Built-In Types

### 8.15.1 Dependencies

Dependency on Class: [Core::SimpleType](#)

Stereotypes: *instantiates*

This Package provides base individuals that are always instances of SimpleType (that is, instances of its subtypes).

### 8.15.2 Instance: BINARY

Type: [Core::BinaryType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type BINARY without length constraints.

Note: The class BinaryType also includes instances of EXPRESS BINARY that have declared length constraints.

### 8.15.3 Instance: BOOLEAN

Type: [Core::LogicType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type BOOLEAN

Note: BOOLEAN and LOGICAL are the only instances of LogicType.

### **8.15.4 Instance: INTEGER**

Type: [Core::NumericType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type INTEGER

Note: INTEGER and NUMBER are the only instances of NumericType that are not RealTypes.

### **8.15.5 Instance: LOGICAL**

Type: [Core::LogicType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type LOGICAL

Note: BOOLEAN and LOGICAL are the only instances of LogicType.

### **8.15.6 Instance: NUMBER**

Type: [Core::NumericType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type NUMBER

Note: INTEGER and NUMBER are the only instances of NumericType that are not RealTypes.

### **8.15.7 Instance: REAL**

Type: [Core::RealType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type REAL without a precision specification.

Note: The class RealType also includes instances of EXPRESS REAL that have precision specifications.

### **8.15.8 Instance: ROLE**

Type: [Core::StringType](#)

Definition: ROLE is the StringType whose instances are the names of Attributes, i.e. the result of RolesOf and the formal second operand of UsedIn. These objects are data typed STRING in Part 11, but they have reserved syntax and reserved interpretation. In order to facilitate mappings to other languages, these data types are explicitly identified, and coerced to/from STRING where necessary.

Note: See Clause 15.20 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### **8.15.9 Instance: STRING**

Type: [Core::StringType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS type STRING without constraints

Note: The class StringType also includes TYPE, ROLE and instances of EXPRESS STRING that have declared length constraints.

### **8.15.10 Instance: TYPE**

Type: [Core::StringType](#)

Definition: TYPE is the StringType whose instances are the names of DataTypes (TypeNames), i.e. the result of TypeOf and related operands. These objects are data typed STRING in Part 11, but they have reserved syntax and reserved interpretation. In order to facilitate mappings to other languages, these data types are explicitly identified, and coerced to/from STRING where necessary.

Note: See Clause 15.25 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## 8.16 Instance Package: GenericTypes

This Package is a part of the Core Package. It contains the required instances of the class GenericType. There are no other instances of the class GenericType.

Note: The purpose of making this a Package is to separate the class model from the "ground facts."

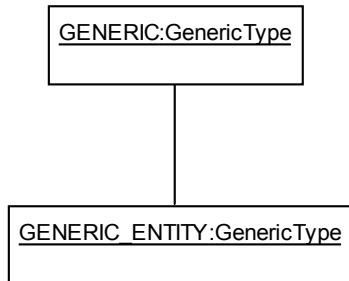


Figure 18 - Instance Model for Generic Types

### 8.16.1 Dependencies

Dependency on Class: [Core::GenericType](#)

Stereotypes: *instantiates*

This Package provides base individuals that are always the only instances of class GenericType.

### 8.16.2 Instance: GENERIC

Type: [Core::GenericType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS generalized type GENERIC. Every data type is a specialization of the GenericType GENERIC, and every Instance is an Instance of GENERIC.

Note: See 9.5.3.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 8.16.3 Instance: GENERIC\_ENTITY

Type: [Core::GenericType](#)

Definition: represents the EXPRESS generalized type GENERIC\_ENTITY. Every entity data type is a specialization of GENERIC\_ENTITY. Every EntityInstance is an instance of GENERIC\_ENTITY and every instance of GENERIC\_ENTITY is an EntityInstance.

Note: See 9.5.3.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## 9 Package: Instances

The Instances Package contains all of the Instance concepts that go with the Type concepts in the Core Package.

The purpose of the Instances Package is to provide a model representation for specific Instances that are explicitly referred to in a Schema. A tool that supports the [Expressions](#) Package may also use Instances to represent the values of expressions that can be statically evaluated.

Note: It is possible to represent an actual Population as an instance of this package, but such a representation is “unexpected”. In MOF terminology, the EXPRESS metamodel defined in this specification is an M2 model. An EXPRESS Schema and its contents constitute an M1 population that conforms to this metamodel. A Population (in the EXPRESS sense) should be represented as an M0 population that conforms to the M1 model of the governing-schema. Representing that Population as an instance of this package would make it an M1 population that carries direct M1 links to the M1 objects representing the model elements of the EXPRESS Schema. While such a representation is (accidentally) enabled by this Package, that is not the purpose of this package, and it is not to be considered a required part of any compliance point.

### 9.1 Dependencies

**Dependency on Package:** [Core](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Instances Package depends on the Core Package for the `InstantiableType` concepts that are the data types of the individuals (Instances).

### 9.2 Overview of Instances

9.2 shows the overall model of Instances of EXPRESS data types. Instances are divided into `TypedInstances`, `ConcreteValues`, and two special categories – `PartialEntityValue` and `Indeterminate`.

`TypedInstances` represent instances of `NamedTypes`. There are three subcategories – `EntityInstances`, `SpecializedValues` and `EnumerationItems`. `TypedInstances` are the instances that can be values of `SelectTypes`. Each of the subcategories corresponds to one of the other subtypes of `NamedType`.

`ConcreteValues` are Instances that can be the fundamental values of `SpecializedValues` – the values of `SpecializationTypes`. There are three subcategories – `SimpleValues`, `AggregateValues` and `EnumerationItems`. `SimpleValues` correspond to the `SimpleTypes`. `AggregateValues` correspond to the `ConcreteAggregationTypes`. `EnumerationItems` correspond to `EnumerationTypes`, and because `EnumerationTypes` are `NamedTypes`, `EnumerationItems` are also `TypedInstances`.

`Indeterminate` is the class that corresponds to the EXPRESS constant "?", which can be considered to be an instance of all EXPRESS data types, or of none of them.

`PartialEntityValues` only arise as the results of Expressions. They are described in detail in 9.5, which deals with values of `EntityTypes`.

This section defines the Instance concepts associated with EXPRESS defined data types — `Select` types, `Enumeration` types, and `Specializations` — in detail. `SimpleValues`, `AggregateValues`, values of `EntityTypes` are described in subsequent sections.

While the domains of EXPRESS data types are often unbounded, only those Instances that actually occur in, or as a result of an Expression in, a Schema need to be materialized in a metamodel population that represents the Schema. Similarly, in a Population that is realized as an instance of this package, only the Instances actually occurring in that Population need to be represented.



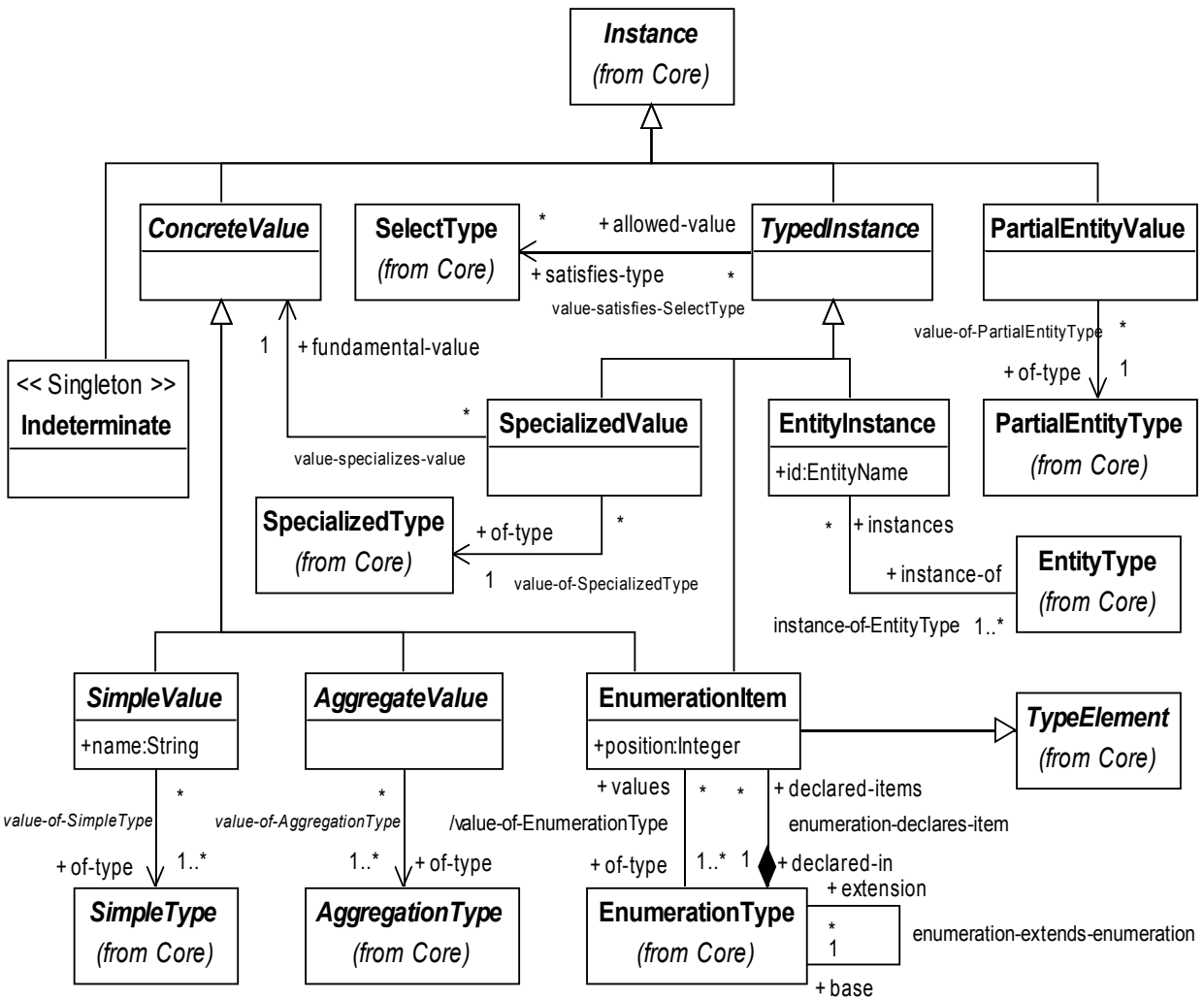


Figure 19 - Overview of Instances

## 9.2.1 Class Core::Instance

Definition: represents any real or conceptual object, information unit or data item.

Properties: abstract

Note: The Instance concept, and all its properties, is defined in the Core Package, so that it may be referenced in other Packages without creating interdependencies. There is no real requirement for support of Instances in the Core Package. This entry serves to define the Instance concept in the context of the Instances Package, and to provide a link to the complete specification in 8.14.2.

## 9.2.2 Class: ConcreteValue

Definition: represents a data item, an Instance that is an item of information that has an explicit data representation conveying its meaning.

Properties: abstract

### 9.2.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::Instance](#)

### 9.2.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.2.2.3 Associations

none.

### 9.2.2.4 Other Roles

From: [SpecializedValue](#) as fundamental-value

## 9.2.3 Class: EnumerationItem

Definition: a ConcreteValue representing a named value of an EnumerationType. An EnumerationItem is also a TypedInstance, because the corresponding EnumerationType has an Identifier. An EnumerationItem is also a TypeElement, in that the scope of its identifier is the EnumerationType.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.2.3.1 Supertypes

[ConcreteValue](#), [TypedInstance](#), [Core::TypeElement](#)

### 9.2.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: Represents the position of the Enumeration Item in the list of items in the type\_declaration that defines the EnumerationItem. That is, .position relates to the .declared-in EnumerationType. When the number of values of .of-type (the types of which this EnumerationItem is a value) is exactly 1, the position defines an ordering on the values of the EnumerationType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.2.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: declared-in**

**To: [Core::EnumerationType](#)**

via: [enumeration-declares-items](#)

Subsets: [Core::TypeElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationItem and the EnumerationType whose declaration defines the item.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: of-type**

**To: [Core::EnumerationType](#)**

via: [value-of-EnumerationType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationItem and the EnumerationTypes of which it is a value. An EnumerationItem is a value of every EnumerationType that is related by extension to the type that declares it. This

relationship can be derived recursively from the sequence of `.base` relationships beginning with the `.declared-in` EnumerationType, and from the sequence of `.extension` relationships of that EnumerationType.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = ".declared-in + .declared-in.base + .declared-in.extensions"
```

### 9.2.3.4 Other Roles

From [Expressions::EnumItemRef](#) as refers-to

### 9.2.3.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every EnumerationItem shall have an Identifier.

## 9.2.4 Class: Indeterminate

Stereotypes: Singleton

Definition: Represents the class containing only the "indeterminate" value (?), which represents "no value" or no meaningful value. This value arises primarily as the evaluation of an Expression in which one of the operations "fails". Indeterminate is not clearly an instance of any data type, or of all data types.

Note: See 14.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.2.4.1 Supertypes

[Core::Instance](#)

### 9.2.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.2.4.3 Associations

none.

### 9.2.4.4 Other Roles

From [Expressions::IndeterminateRef](#) as refers-to

## 9.2.5 Class: SpecializedValue

Definition: a TypedInstance that is a value of a SpecializedType. Every SpecializedValue is represented by some ConcreteValue, called its *fundamental-value*.

### 9.2.5.1 Supertypes

[TypedInstance](#)

### 9.2.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.2.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: fundamental-value** To: [ConcreteValue](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SpecializedInstance and the "fundamental" ConcreteValue that is used to represent that Instance.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: of-type** To: [Core::SpecializedType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SpecializedValue and its data type.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.2.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.2.6 Class: TypedInstance

Definition: an abstract classifier, a subtype of Instance comprising those Instances that are instances of a NamedType. Only a TypedInstance can instantiate a SelectType.

Properties: abstract

### 9.2.6.1 Supertypes

[Core::Instance](#)

### 9.2.6.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.2.6.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: satisfies-type** To: [Core::SelectType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a TaggedInstance and the SelectTypes of which it is an allowable instance.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 9.2.6.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.2.7 Association: enumeration-declares-items

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationItem and the EnumerationType whose declaration defines the item.

This can be different from value-of-EnumerationType (see below) only when the EnumerationType is EXTENSIBLE, or is itself the extension of another EnumerationType.

## 9.2.7.1 Supertypes

[Core::type-element-has-scope](#)

## 9.2.7.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: declared-in**

**To:** [Core::EnumerationType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationItem and the EnumerationType whose declaration defines the item.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: declared-items**

**To:** [EnumerationItem](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of an EnumerationType to the EnumerationItems that are declared in its `type_declaration`. For extended enumeration types, this is distinct from the `.values` relationship, which captures all of the valid values of the type.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 9.2.8 Association: value-of-EnumerationType

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationType and the EnumerationItems that are valid values of the type.

Properties: derived

### 9.2.8.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: of-type**

**To:** [Core::EnumerationType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationItem and the EnumerationTypes of which it is a value. An EnumerationItem is a value of every EnumerationType that is related by extension to the type that declares it. This relationship can be derived recursively from the sequence of `.base` relationships beginning with the `.declared-in` EnumerationType, and from the sequence of `.extension` relationships of that EnumerationType.

Note: See 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

`derivation =`

The mechanism for derivation of the values of `.of-type` requires a procedure/function.

**AssociationEnd: values**

**To:** [EnumerationItem](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EnumerationType and the EnumerationItems that are valid values of the type. An EnumerationItem is a value of every EnumerationType that is related by extension to the type that declares it. This relationship can be derived recursively as the union of the values of the `.declared-items` attribute for the EnumerationType, for each EnumerationType in the sequence of `.base` relationships from the EnumerationType, and from all the extensions of the EnumerationType.

Note: See clause 8.4.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: derived.

### TaggedValues

derivation =

The mechanism for derivation of the values of .values requires a procedure/function.

## 9.3 Simple Values

This section specifies the model of SimpleValues – Instances that correspond to the simple data types defined in the EXPRESS language: BINARY, BOOLEAN, INTEGER, LOGICAL, INTEGER, NUMBER, REAL, STRING.

It also includes two specialized classes of STRING value that have specific syntax requirements in the EXPRESS language: TypeName and RoleName. There are no EXPRESS data types for these, but certain values in Expressions are required to be instances of these classes.

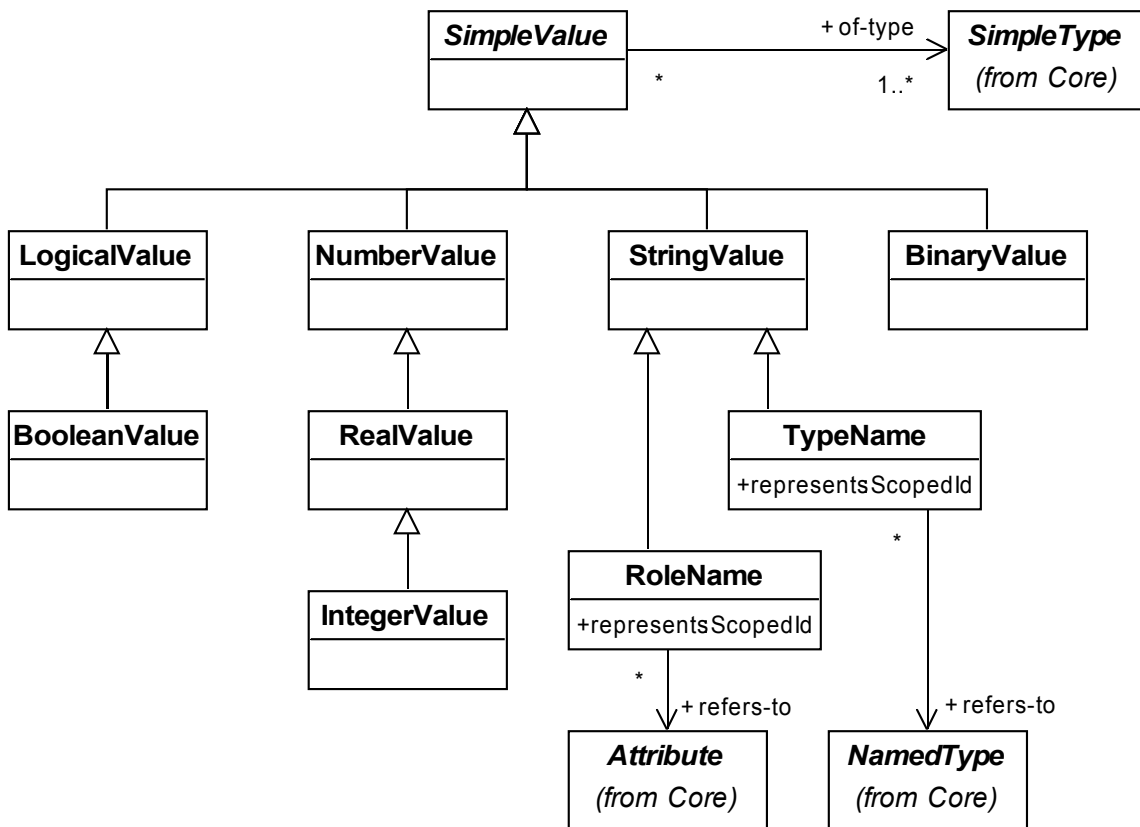


Figure 20 - Simple Values

### 9.3.1 Class: BinaryValue

Definition: an AggregateValue, representing a value of an EXPRESS BAG data type: a collection of instances of the member-type of the BAG, in which a given instance can appear more than once.

#### 9.3.1.1 Supertypes

[SimpleValue](#)

### **9.3.1.2 Attributes**

none.

### **9.3.1.3 Associations**

none.

### **9.3.1.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **9.3.2 Class: BooleanValue**

Definition: a SimpleValue, a value of the EXPRESS data type BOOLEAN: TRUE, FALSE

### **9.3.2.1 Supertypes**

[LogicalValue](#)

### **9.3.2.2 Attributes**

none.

### **9.3.2.3 Associations**

none.

### **9.3.2.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **9.3.3 Class: IntegerValue**

Definition: a SimpleValue, a value of the EXPRESS data type INTEGER: any mathematical integer value.

### **9.3.3.1 Supertypes**

[RealValue](#)

### **9.3.3.2 Attributes**

none.

### **9.3.3.3 Associations**

none.

### **9.3.3.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **9.3.4 Class: LogicalValue**

Definition: a SimpleValue, a value of the EXPRESS data type LOGICAL: TRUE, UNKNOWN, FALSE.

### **9.3.4.1 Supertypes**

[SimpleValue](#)

### **9.3.4.2 Attributes**

none.

### **9.3.4.3 Associations**

none.

### **9.3.4.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **9.3.5 Class: NumberValue**

Definition: a SimpleValue, a value of the EXPRESS data type NUMBER: any numeric value with its mathematical interpretation.

### **9.3.5.1 Supertypes**

[SimpleValue](#)

### **9.3.5.2 Attributes**

none.

### **9.3.5.3 Associations**

none.

### **9.3.5.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **9.3.6 Class: RealValue**

Definition: a SimpleValue, a value of the EXPRESS data type REAL: supposedly a mathematical "real" value, but properly a computational fixed or floating-point value.

### **9.3.6.1 Supertypes**

[NumberValue](#)

### **9.3.6.2 Attributes**

none.

### **9.3.6.3 Associations**

none.

### **9.3.6.4 Other Roles**

none.



## 9.3.7 Class: RoleName

Definition: A RoleName is a reference to an Attribute that has the form of a StringValue. It is an instance of StringType ROLE. RoleNames are produced as the result-type of the UnaryOperator RolesOf, and used as the formal parameter type for UsedIn. They have reserved syntax and reserved interpretation.

Note: The result of RolesOf is only well-defined for Attributes of EntityTypes defined in the Schema. Some problems arise with interfaced EntityTypes, renamed Attributes, and attributes of EntityTypes defined in AlgorithmScopes. See Clause 15.25 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.3.7.1 Supertypes

[StringValue](#)

### 9.3.7.2 Attributes

**Attribute: represents** **To: [Core::ScopedId](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the RoleName – a StringValue – and the (structured) TypeScopedId for the Attribute, of which it is a representation.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.3.7.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to** **To: [Core::Attribute](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a RoleName and the Attribute to which it refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.3.7.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.3.8 Class: SimpleValue

Definition: a ConcreteValue that consists of a single atomic information unit of a data type defined in the EXPRESS language itself.

Properties: abstract

### 9.3.8.1 Supertypes

[ConcreteValue](#)

### 9.3.8.2 Attributes

**Attribute: name** **To: [MOF::String](#)**

Definition: the representation of the value, assumed to be a character string.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.3.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: of-type**

**To:** [Core::SimpleType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SimpleValue and the data types of which it is an instance.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

Properties: abstract

### 9.3.8.4 Other Roles

From [Expressions::Literal](#) as refers-to

## 9.3.9 Class: StringValue

Definition: a SimpleValue, a value of the EXPRESS data type STRING: a sequence of character codes from the ISO 10646-1 Basic Multilanguage Plane.

### 9.3.9.1 Supertypes

[SimpleValue](#)

### 9.3.9.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.3.9.3 Associations

none.

### 9.3.9.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.3.10 Class: TypeName

Definition: A TypeName is a reference to a DataType that has the form of a StringValue. It is an instance of StringType TYPE. TypeNames are produced as the result-type of the UnaryOperator TypeOf. They have reserved syntax and reserved interpretation.

Note: The result of TypeOf is only well-defined for NamedTypes defined in the Schema, although it can also produce EXPRESS keywords. Some problems arise with interfaced NamedTypes, and NamedTypes defined in AlgorithmScopes. See Clause 15.25 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.3.10.1 Supertypes

[StringValue](#)

### 9.3.10.2 Attributes

**Attribute: represents**

**To:** [Core::ScopedId](#)

Definition: the (structured) ScopedId for the NamedType, of which the TypeName is a String representation.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.3.10.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** refers-to

**To:** [Core::NamedType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a TypeName and the NamedType to which it refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.3.10.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.4 Aggregate Values

This section specifies the model of AggregateValues – Instances that correspond to EXPRESS aggregation types: ARRAY, BAG, LIST, SET.

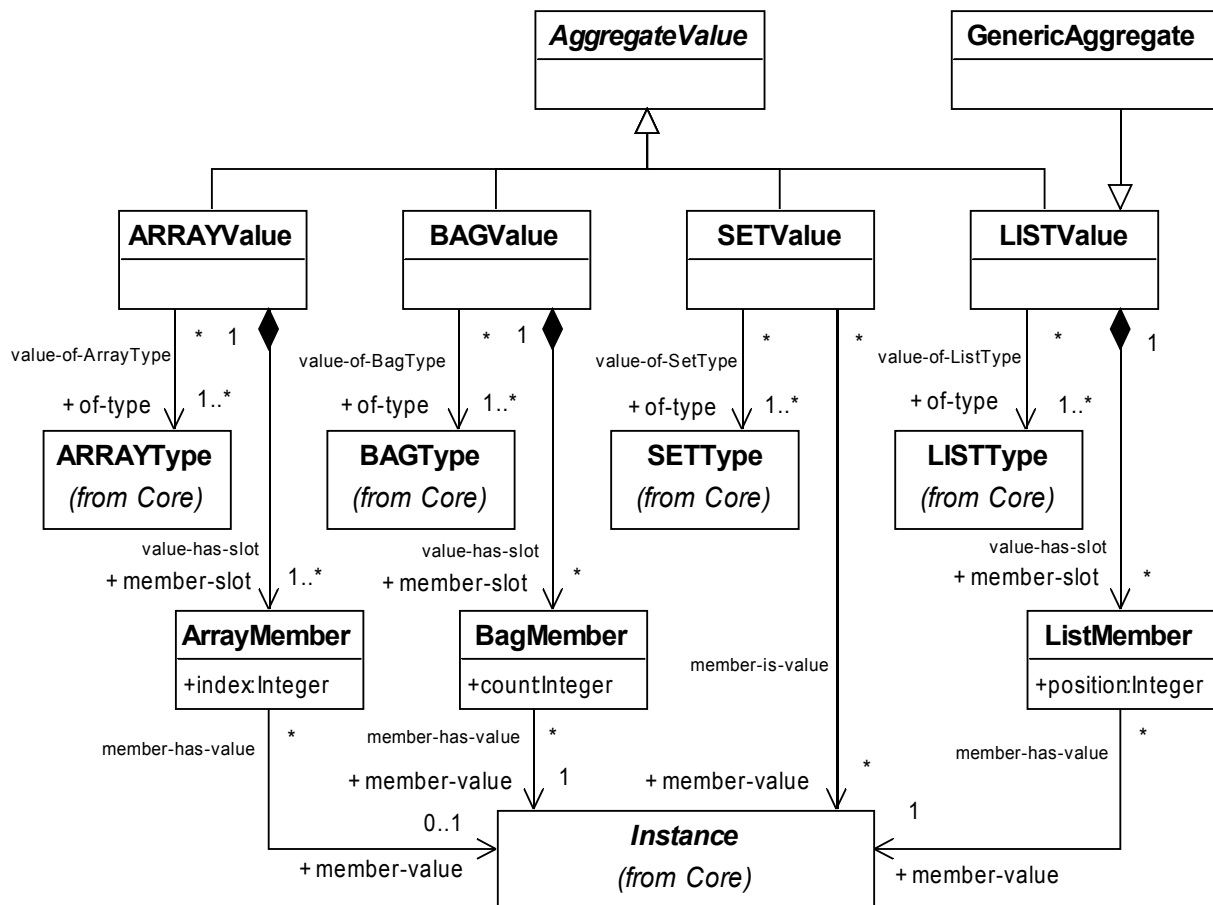


Figure 21 - Aggregate Values

### 9.4.1 Class: AggregateValue

Definition: a ConcreteValue that is composite, consisting of a collection of Instances from a given member DataType.

Properties: abstract

### 9.4.1.1 Supertypes

[ConcreteValue](#)

### 9.4.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.4.1.3 Associations

none.

### 9.4.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.4.2 Class: ArrayMember

Definition: Represents a single element of an ARRAYValue seen as a relation. It maps one index-value to one value of the base data type (the "member" value). In the case of an ARRAY OF OPTIONAL, the member-value need not be present.

### 9.4.2.1 Supertypes

none.

### 9.4.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: index**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: represents the index value to which the ArrayMember corresponds. In a given ARRAYValue, there is exactly one ArrayMember that corresponds to each index value.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.4.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-value**

**To: [Core::Instance](#)**

Definition: for a given ARRAYValue, represents the relationship between an index value (represented by an ArrayMember) and the Instance value that is the image of that index value in the base type.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 9.4.2.4 Other Roles

**From: [ARRAYValue](#) as member-slot**

## 9.4.3 Class: ARRAYValue

Definition: an AggregateValue, representing a value of an EXPRESS ARRAY data type: a set of pairs of the form (index value, domain value) where the index value is selected from a finite range of integers, and each such value occurs in exactly one pair, and the domain value is an instance of the member-type of the ARRAY.

### 9.4.3.1 Supertypes

[AggregateValue](#)

### 9.4.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.4.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-slot** To: [ArrayMember](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an ArrayValue and each of its distinct slots for member values.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: of-type** To: [Core::ARRAYType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the ARRAYValue and the ARRAYTypes of which it is an instance.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

### 9.4.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.4.4 Class: BagMember

Definition: Represents the relationship between a BAGValue and one value of the base data type (the "member" value). It has a "count" attribute that represents the number of times the given member-value occurs in the BAGValue.

### 9.4.4.1 Supertypes

none.

### 9.4.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute: count** To: [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a BagMember and the number of occurrences of the member-value that it represents, i.e., the number of occurrences of that member-value in the bag.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.4.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-value** To: [Core::Instance](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a BagMember and the Instance that it includes, one or more times, in the BAGValue.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.4.4.4 Other Roles

**From: [BAGValue](#) as member-slot**

## 9.4.5 Class: BAGValue

Definition: an AggregateValue, representing a value of an EXPRESS BAG data type: a collection of instances of the member-type of the BAG, in which a given instance can appear more than once.

### 9.4.5.1 Supertypes

[AggregateValue](#)

### 9.4.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.4.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** member-slot                      **To:** [BagMember](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a BagValue and each of its distinct member values. Each distinct member value is represented by a BagMember (slot) that counts its occurrences in the bag.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd:** of-type                              **To:** [Core::BAGType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the BAGValue and the BAGTypes of which it is an instance.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

### 9.4.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.4.6 Class: GenericAggregate

Definition: An AggregateValue representing the output of an AggregateInitializer. It is interpreted as a LIST value whose member-type is GENERIC, but actually constrained to the common DataType of all the Expressions in the Initializer. It can be coerced to an ARRAY, BAG, SET, or LIST value of the appropriate member-type, according to the context of its use.

Note: Certain GenericAggregate values have a syntactic parse as a LIST of instances, but no clear semantics as to data type; this is a defect in Part 11. See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.4.6.1 Supertypes

[LISTValue](#)

### 9.4.6.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.4.6.3 Associations

none.

### 9.4.6.4 Other Roles

**From** [Expressions::AggregateInitializer](#) as result-value

## 9.4.7 Class: ListMember

Definition: represents one position in a ListValue and the instance of the member-type in that position.

### 9.4.7.1 Supertypes

none.

### 9.4.7.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** position **To:** [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: the ordinal identifier for the position in the sequence.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.4.7.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** member-value **To:** [Core::Instance](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a position in a LISTValue (represented by a ListMember) and the Instance that appears in that position.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.4.7.4 Other Roles

**From:** [LISTValue](#) as member-slot

**From:** [Expressions::MemberBinding](#) as to-slot

## 9.4.8 Class: LISTValue

Definition: an AggregateValue, representing a value of an EXPRESS LIST data type: a sequence of instances of the member-type of the LIST.

### 9.4.8.1 Supertypes

[AggregateValue](#)

### 9.4.8.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.4.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** member-slot **To:** [ListMember](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a ListValue and each of its distinct slots for member values. Each member-slot represents a position in the ListValue.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd:** of-type **To:** [Core::LISTType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the LISTValue and the LISTTypes of which it is an instance.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

### 9.4.8.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.4.9 Class: SETValue

Definition: an AggregateValue representing a value of a SET data type.

Note: A SETValue can be viewed as a specialization of a BAGValue in which the "count" value for each BagMember is 1. But technically, the conversion of the SETValue to the corresponding BAGValue is a coercion, because the behavior of the resulting BAGValue is different. For example, the union of two SETValues is different from the union of the corresponding BAGValues.

### 9.4.9.1 Supertypes

[AggregateValue](#)

### 9.4.9.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.4.9.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-value**                      **To: [Core::Instance](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a SETValue and the Instances that appear in it. Any given Instance can take this role at most once for any given SetValue.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: of-type**                                      **To: [Core::SETType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the SETValue and the SETTypes of which it is an instance.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

### 9.4.9.4 Other Roles

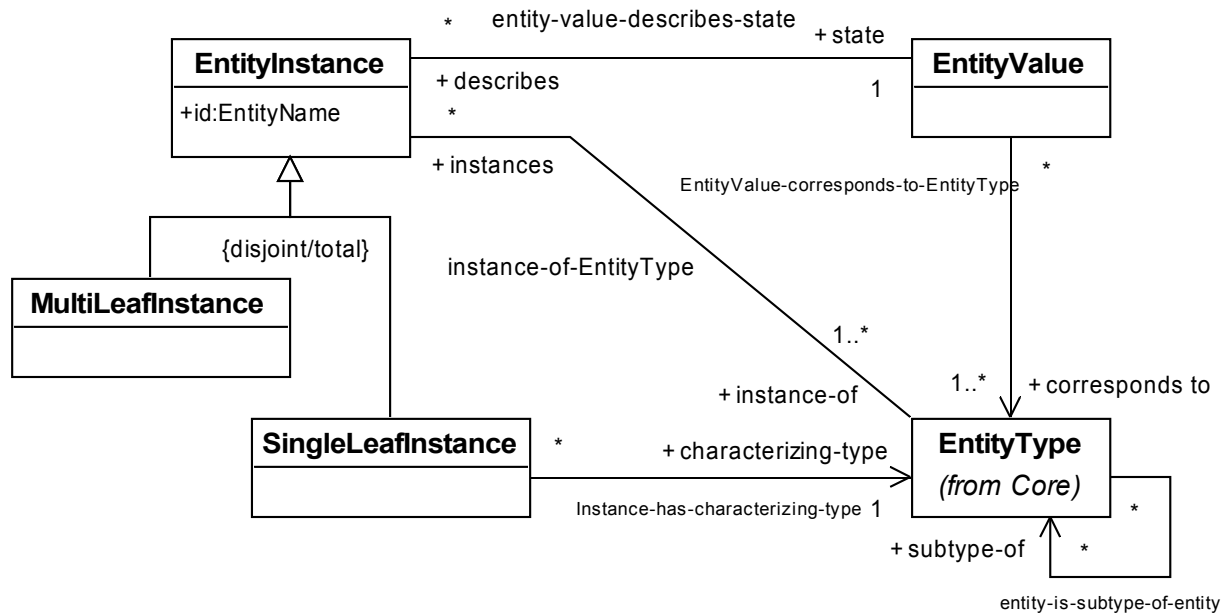
none.

## 9.5 Entity Instances and Values

This section specifies the model of EntityInstances – instances that correspond to entity data types. It also specifies the model of PartialEntityValues, which are aggregates of entity attribute values that are constructed and manipulated by some Expressions.

9.5 depicts the model of entity instances. In general, entity instances represent real-world objects being described by the EXPRESS schema. What is captured in the information base is an EntityValue which is a representation of the current state of the real-world object. A SingleLeafInstance is an EntityInstance that has a model as a single EntityType. A MultiLeafInstance is an EntityInstance that has a model as an allowable collection of overlapping subtypes of modeled EntityTypes.





**Figure 22 - Entity Instances**

9.5 depicts the model of PartialEntityValues. A PartialEntityValue is a collection of information – assignments of values to named Attributes. Some PartialEntityValues are EntityValues, that is, they describe the state of an EntityInstance.

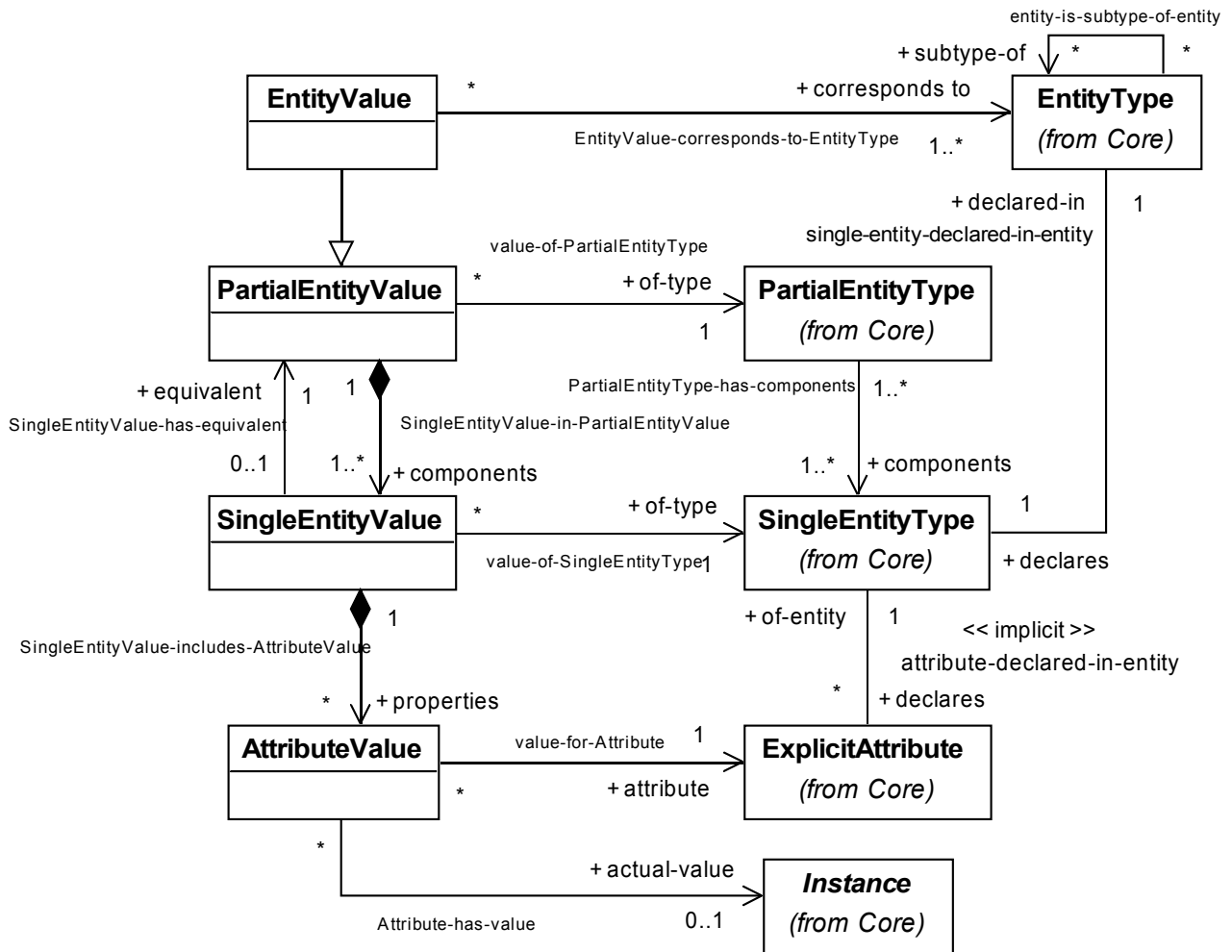


Figure 23 - PartialEntityValues

## 9.5.1 Class: AttributeValue

Definition: represents the assignment of a value to a given Attribute of the EntityType corresponding to the SingleEntityValue.

### 9.5.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 9.5.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.5.1.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: actual-value To: [Core::Instance](#)

Definition: represents the value assigned to the Attribute by the AttributeValue. If the Attribute is declared OPTIONAL, it is possible that no value is assigned.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: attribute**

**To: [Core::ExplicitAttribute](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the AttributeValue assignment and the ExplicitAttribute to which it assigns a value.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 9.5.1.4 Other Roles

**From: [SingleEntityValue](#) as properties**

Multiplicity: 1..1 composite

### 9.5.2 Class: EntityInstance

Definition: a TaggedInstance that represents an EXPRESS entity instance – an instance of an entity data type, a view of an object that incorporates those properties and relationships that are significant to some particular purpose(s). The EntityInstance is distinct from the EntityValue – a collection of information about the object that represents those properties and relationships.

Note: See clause 5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 9.5.2.1 Supertypes

[TypedInstance](#)

#### 9.5.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To: [EntityName](#)**

Definition: represents a nominal identifier for an EntityInstance that distinguishes it from other EntityInstances. The nature of this identifier is not defined in EXPRESS, but it is stated that this identifier is not necessarily constructed from any group of modeled attribute values. Each EntityName is unique within a Population, but the actual namespace of an EntityName is not specified in Part 11.

Note: See clause 5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 9.5.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: instance-of**

**To: [Core::EntityType](#)**

via: [instance-of-EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityInstance and each of the EntityType classifiers it satisfies.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: state**

**To: [EntityValue](#)**

via: [entity-value-describes-state](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityInstance and the EntityValue that describes the current state of the Instance (in terms of its modeled properties) at any given time.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 9.5.2.4 Other Roles

From: [Rules::Extent](#) as content

### 9.5.3 Datatype: EntityName

Definition: represents the unique underlying identity of an entity instance, expressed as some kind of identifier. The nature of this identifier is not defined in EXPRESS, but it is stated that this identifier is not necessarily constructed from any group of modeled attribute values. Each EntityName is unique within a Population, but the actual namespace of an EntityName is not specified in Part 11.

Note: See clause 5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 9.5.3.1 Supertypes

Realization type is . [MOF::String](#)

The realization relationship is modeled as a generalization.

#### 9.5.3.2 Members

none.

### 9.5.4 Class: EntityValue

Definition: A PartialEntityValue that completely describes an Instance of some EntityType(s).

#### 9.5.4.1 Supertypes

[PartialEntityValue](#)

#### 9.5.4.2 Attributes

none.

#### 9.5.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: corresponds to**                      **To: [Core::EntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the EntityType(s) whose complete modeled description comprises a set of Attributes that is contained in the EntityValue. The complete modeled description of an EntityType is a set of SingleEntityTypes, and the EntityValue contains SingleEntityValues corresponding to each of them.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: describes**                                      **To: [EntityInstance](#)**

via: [entity-value-describes-state](#)

Definition: represents the EntityInstances, if any, whose current state is described by the EntityValue. This direction of the association is only significant when the EntityValue is used as the means of identification of a particular EntityInstance.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### 9.5.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.5.5 Class: MultiLeafInstance

Definition: A (complex) EntityInstance that is a valid instance of more than one EntityType and whose state includes more SingleEntityValues than are declared for, or inherited by, any named EntityType defined in the governing Schema. The subtype/supertype graph corresponding to such an EntityInstance has multiple "leaf" nodes.

Note: This concept appears in Part 11 only in 3.3.12, but it appears in ISO 10303-21:2002 as an "uncharacterized instance" whose representation requires the "external mapping."

### 9.5.5.1 Supertypes

[EntityInstance](#)

### 9.5.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.5.5.3 Associations

none.

### 9.5.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.5.6 Class: PartialEntityValue

Definition: an Instance that is a collection of Attributes (of SingleEntityTypes) with associated values.

### 9.5.6.1 Supertypes

[Core::Instance](#)

### 9.5.6.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.5.6.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: components** To: [SingleEntityValue](#)

Definition: the SingleEntityValues that make up the PartialEntityValue.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: of-type** To: [Core::PartialEntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a PartialEntityValue and the PartialEntityType that identifies the collection of SingleEntityTypes for which the PartialEntityValue provides values.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.5.6.4 Other Roles

**From: [SingleEntityValue](#) as equivalent**

Multiplicity: 0..1

From: [Expressions::PartialEntityConstructor](#) as result-value

## 9.5.7 Class: SingleEntityValue

Definition: A collection of values for the explicit Attributes of exactly one SingleEntityType.

Note: A SingleEntityValue is not an Instance; it is a part of a PartialEntityValue. It cannot be the result of an Expression, nor can it be the value of any EXPRESS concept. The result of a PartialEntityConstructor is the .equivalent PartialEntityValue.

### 9.5.7.1 Supertypes

none.

### 9.5.7.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.5.7.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: equivalent** To: [PartialEntityValue](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SingleEntityValue and the PartialEntityValue that consists of exactly that one SingleEntityValue.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: of-type** To: [Core::SingleEntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SingleEntityValue and the SingleEntityType that declares the Attributes whose values are contained in the SingleEntityValue.

Note: While the relationship between a SingleEntityValue and a SingleEntityType appears to be an Instance-to-Type relationship, it is not treated as such in the metamodel, because SingleEntityValues are not Instances – they can only appear as components of a PartialEntityValue.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: properties** To: [AttributeValue](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of the SingleEntityValue to the AttributeValue assignments it comprises.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 9.5.7.4 Other Roles

From: [PartialEntityValue](#) as components

Multiplicity: 1..1 composite

## 9.5.8 Class: SingleLeafInstance

Definition: An EntityInstance that is completely characterized by a single EntityType (and all its supertypes) that is declared in the governing Schema

Note: This concept does not appear in Part 11, but is the "characterized instance" that is the basis for the "internal mapping" in ISO 10303-21:2002.

### 9.5.8.1 Supertypes

[EntityInstance](#)

### 9.5.8.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.5.8.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: characterizing-type**      **To:** [Core::EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the unique EntityType classifier that has (defines or inherits) exactly all of the Attributes present in the representation of the EntityInstance. Not every EntityInstance has a characterizing-type – it may be an "instance-of" two or more EntityTypes for which the intersection is not explicitly modeled, but permitted by the model to be non-empty.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.5.8.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.5.9 Association: entity-value-describes-state

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityInstance and the EntityValue that describes the current state of the Instance (in terms of its modeled properties) at any given time.

### 9.5.9.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: describes**                      **To:** [EntityInstance](#)

Definition: represents the EntityInstances, if any, whose current state is described by the EntityValue. This direction of the association is only significant when the EntityValue is used as the means of identification of a particular EntityInstance.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: state**                              **To:** [EntityValue](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the EntityInstance and the EntityValue that describes the current state of the Instance (in terms of its modeled properties) at any given time.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 9.5.10 Association: instance-of-EntityType

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityInstance and each of the EntityType classifiers it satisfies.

### 9.5.10.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: instance-of**                      **To:** [Core::EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityInstance and each of the EntityType classifiers it satisfies.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: instances**

**To: [EntityInstance](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType (classifier) and the EntityInstances that satisfy it.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 9.6 Constants

This section defines the Constant concept. A Constant is a named instance that is explicitly declared in the schema. 9.6 depicts the model of Constants. The Constant class and its properties are described below.

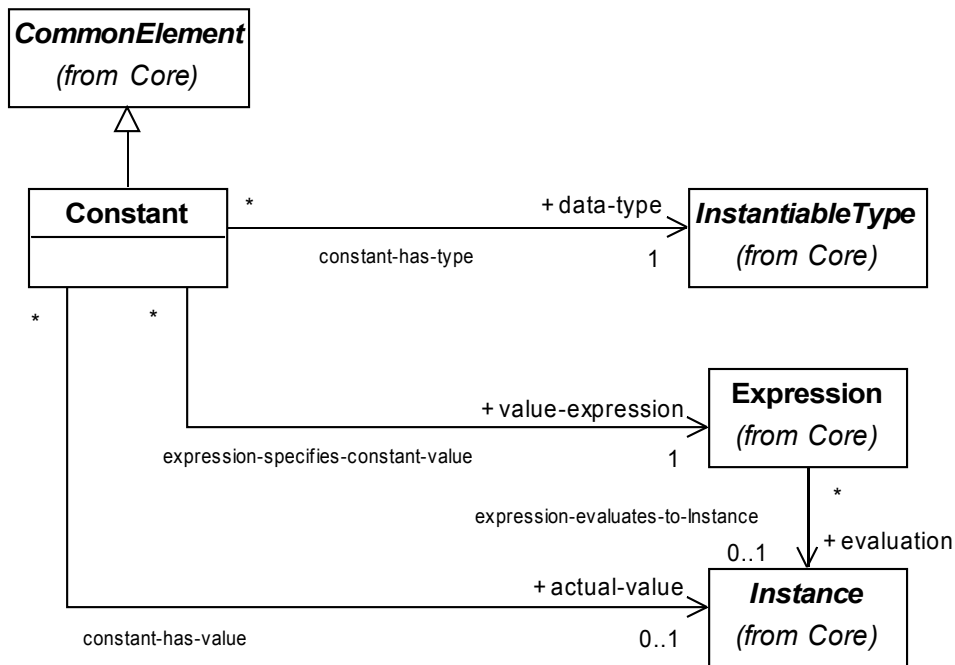


Figure 24 - Constants

### 9.6.1 Class: Constant

Definition: a CommonElement denoting a single instance value throughout each of its life cycles.

Note: "Constant" is a reserved word in EXPRESS; if this metamodel is converted to EXPRESS, this class must be renamed. See clause 9.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 9.6.1.1 Supertypes

[Core::CommonElement](#)

#### 9.6.1.2 Attributes

none.



### 9.6.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: actual-value** To: [Core::Instance](#)

Definition: represents the value resulting from evaluating the value-expression. This value may only be computable for a given population, or it may require computational capabilities a given agent does not have.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: data-type** To: [Core::InstantiableType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Constant and the DataType of the Instance denoted by the Constant.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: value-expression** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the Expression that specifies the value of the Constant for a given lifetime.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.6.1.4 Other Roles

From: [Expressions::ConstantRef](#) as refers-to

### 9.6.1.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every Constant shall have an Identifier.

## 9.7 Populations

This section defines the Population concept and its relationship to Schemas and Instances. A population represents an information base that corresponds to a Schema. 9.7 depicts the model of Population. The class Population and its associations are described below.

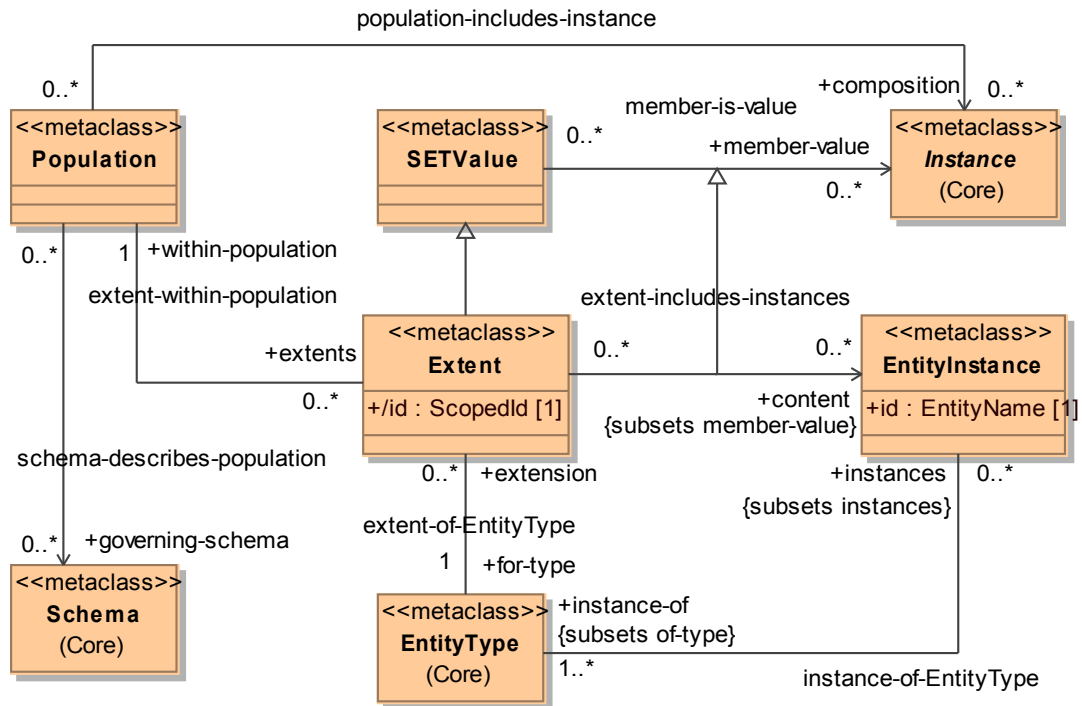


Figure 25 - Populations and Instances

## 9.7.1 Class: Extent

Definition: the collection of all Instances in a given Population that satisfy the specified EntityType. That is, Extent is the SetValue that is the intersection of EntityType.instances and Population.composition

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.7.1.1 Supertypes

[SETValue](#)

### 9.7.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** **To: [Core::ScopedId](#)**

Definition: the identifier for the EntityType, used as a name for the Extent.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

derivation = self->for-type->id

### 9.7.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: content**

To: [EntityInstance](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Extent (within a Population) and the EntityInstances it contains. Extent is a SetValue and Extent.content is just the relationship between that SetValue and its members.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

Properties: derived.

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = SETValue::self->member-values
```

**AssociationEnd: for-type**

To: [Core::EntityType](#)

via: [extent-of-EntityType](#)

Definition: the EntityType to which the Extent corresponds.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: within-population**

To: [Population](#)

via: [extent-within-population](#)

Definition: the Population from which the Set of instances is drawn.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 9.7.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 9.7.2 Class: Population

Definition: represents the collection of all entity instances over which the LocalRules and GlobalRules of a schema are to be evaluated.

The EXPRESS interpretation of Population is the complete closed collection of entity instances that is used for a particular purpose, such as the content of a database or an exchange document. Many distinct Populations may have the same governing-schema. The presumption is that the Population will be realized when the EntityInstances are realized, but it is not necessary that that realization will itself be represented as instance of this Package.

Note: See clause 5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 9.7.2.1 Supertypes

none.

### 9.7.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 9.7.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: composition** To: [Core::Instance](#)

via: [instance-appears-in-population](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Population and the Instances that make it up.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: governing-schema** To: [Core::Schema](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Population and a Schema that governs (models, describes) it.

Note: See 9.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 9.7.2.4 Other Roles

**From: [Rules::Extent](#) as within-population**

## 9.7.3 Association: extent-of-EntityType

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and its Extent (the set of corresponding EntityInstances) in a given Population.

### 9.7.3.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: extension** To: [Extent](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and its extension (the set of corresponding EntityInstances) in a given Population.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: for-type** To: [Core::EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Extent and the EntityType to which it corresponds.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 9.7.4 Association: extent-within-population

Definition: represents the relationship between an Extent and the Population from which it is drawn.

### 9.7.4.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: extents** To: [Extent](#)

Definition: the collection of Extents of EntityTypes that make up the Population.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: within-population** To: [Population](#)

Definition: the Population from which the Set of instances constituting the Extent is drawn.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: composite.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## **9.7.5 Association: population-includes-instance**

Definition: represents the relationship between an Instance and the Populations in which it appears.

### **9.7.5.1 Association Ends**

**AssociationEnd: appears-in-population** To: [Population](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an Instance and the Populations in which it appears.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: composition** To: [Core::Instance](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Population and the Instances the make it up.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

# 10 Package: Algorithms

The Algorithms Package contains the concepts related to definitions of Algorithms and Functions in EXPRESS.

## 10.1 Dependencies

Dependency on Package: [Core](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Algorithms Package depends on the Core Package for the NamedElement and Scope concepts, for data type concepts, and for the basic Expression concept.

## 10.2 Functions and Procedures

This section defines all the major concepts in EXPRESS Algorithm definitions, except for Variables and their data types. Those concepts are described in subsequent clauses below. 10.2 depicts the concepts described in this section.

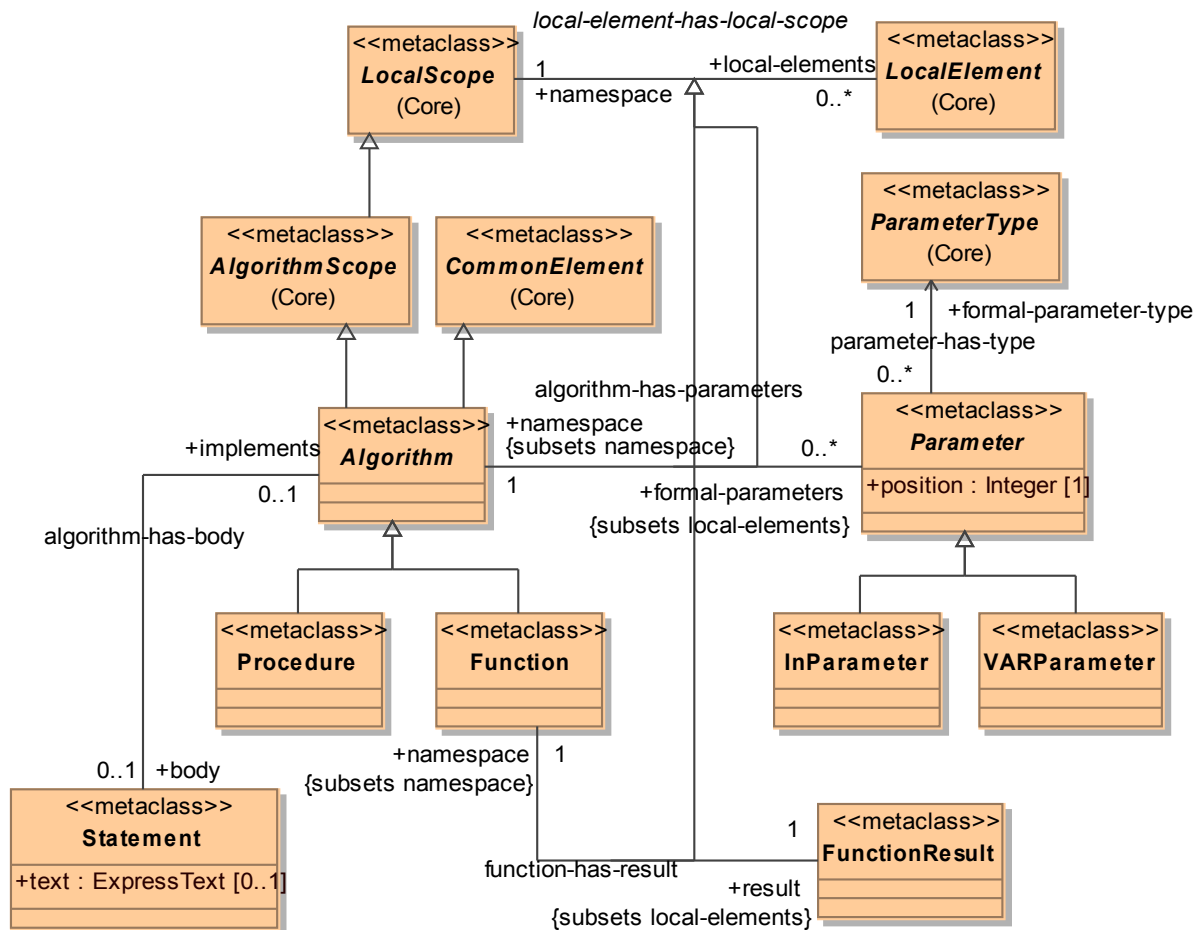


Figure 26 - Algorithms

## 10.2.1 Class: Algorithm

Definition: a CommonElement that represents an operation or process that transforms information. Every Algorithm is either a Procedure or a Function. Every Algorithm is also an AlgorithmScope, in that it may define CommonElements and local ModelElements.

Note: See 9.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 10.2.1.1 Supertypes

[Core::CommonElement](#), [Core::AlgorithmScope](#)

### 10.2.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.2.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: actual-types**                      **To: [Core::ActualType](#)**

via: [scope-of-actual-type](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: the ActualTypes that are defined in the Algorithm.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: body**                                      **To: [Statement](#)**

via: [algorithm-has-body](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a (conceptual) Algorithm and a definition of the Algorithm as a Statement. In most cases, the Statement is a StatementBlock – a sequence of actions to be performed. The body of the Algorithm is modeled as optional (0..1). Support for the body is not a requirement for the support of Algorithms.

Note: See 9.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: formal-parameters**                      **To: [Parameter](#)**

via: [algorithm-has-parameters](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Algorithm and its formal parameters.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 10.2.1.4 Other Roles

**From: [Core::ActualType](#) as scope**

**From: [GenericElement](#) as namespace**

### 10.2.1.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every Algorithm has an identifier

### 10.2.2 Class: Function

Definition: an Algorithm that returns a single Instance and can appear in an Expression.

Note: "Function" is a reserved word in EXPRESS; if this metamodel is converted to EXPRESS, this class must be renamed. See 9.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 10.2.2.1 Supertypes

[Algorithm](#)

#### 10.2.2.2 Attributes

none.

#### 10.2.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: result**

**To: [FunctionResult](#)**

via: [function-has-result](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Function and its FunctionResult.

Note: See 9.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 10.2.2.4 Other Roles

**From: [Expressions::FunctionCall](#) as invokes-function**

### 10.2.3 Class: FunctionResult

Definition: the formal parameter representing the result Instance that is returned by the invocation of a Function. Within the body of the Function, the FunctionResult is a Variable that is denoted by the Algorithm identifier. Upon termination of the execution of the function-body, the (current) value of that Variable is returned.

Note: See 9.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 10.2.3.1 Supertypes

[Variable](#)

#### 10.2.3.2 Attributes

none.



### 10.2.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** namespace                      **To:** [Function](#)

via: [function-has-result](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the Function that is the Scope in which the Function name refers to the FunctionResult.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.2.3.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Expressions::FunctionCall](#) as returns-result

### 10.2.3.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->id = self->namespace->id;
```

The identifier for the function result is the identifier for the function.

## 10.2.4 Class: InParameter

Definition: a formal parameter to a Procedure or Function to which the ActualParameter is passed "by value."

During an invocation of the Algorithm, the InParameter is a Variable that is initially set to the value of the corresponding ActualParameter. The value of the InParameter can be changed during the execution of the Algorithm.

An InParameter has a formal-parameter-type, which is the type specification to which the corresponding ActualParameters are required to conform. The InParameter also has a variable-type, which is the type specification for the Variable created to hold the value during invocation of the Algorithm.

Note: See 9.5.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.2.4.1 Supertypes

[Parameter](#), [Variable](#)

### 10.2.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.2.4.3 Associations

none.

### 10.2.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 10.2.5 Class: Parameter

Definition: a formal parameter – the formal description of an operand – of a Procedure or Function.

Parameters are of two kinds:

- InParameter, to which the values of the corresponding ActualParameters are passed by value
- VarParameter, to which the corresponding ActualParameters are passed by reference

A Parameter is actually a NamedVariable whose scope is the Algorithm, and in each invocation of the Algorithm its (initial) value is set from the value or reference provided as the actual parameter. The formal-parameter-type of the Parameter constrains the types/values of the corresponding actual parameters. As a NamedVariable, it also has a variable-type, which is its data type for the purpose of operations within the body of the Algorithm. If the formal-parameter-type is an InstantiableType or an ActualType, the variable-type is the same type. If the formal-parameter-type is a GeneralizedType, the variable-type is the corresponding ActualType.

Note: See 9.5.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 10.2.5.1 Supertypes

none.

Note: Parameter is an abstract classifier. The two instantiable subclasses of Parameter – InParameter and VARParameter -- are subclasses of NamedVariable. So Parameter is an implicit subclass of NamedVariable.

### 10.2.5.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position** To: [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: A positive integer value designating the ordinal position of the Parameter in the formal-parameter-list for the Algorithm that is its .namespace. The position is used to associate ActualParameters with the formal Parameter.

Note: See 9.5.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.2.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: formal-parameter-type** To: [Core::ParameterType](#)

Definition: the specification for the required data type of the actual parameters (see 12.7.1) that correspond to the formal Parameter; the data type that represents the allowable values of the Parameter.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Note: The lexical `parameter_type` in EXPRESS may refer to an InstantiableType, an ActualType (if the Algorithm is defined within an outer AlgorithmScope) or a GeneralizedType, and when it is syntactically a `generalized_type`, it may include ActualTypeConstraints (see 10.5).

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [Algorithm](#)

via: [algorithm-has-parameters](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Parameter and the Algorithm of which it is a formal parameter, and therefore the Algorithm which is the namespace for its .id.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: structure-constraints** To: [ActualStructureConstraint](#)

Definition: the ActualStructureConstraints, if any, that constrain the allowable data types of the corresponding actual parameter.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: type-constraints**                      **To: [ActualTypeConstraint](#)**

Definition: the ActualTypeConstraints, if any, that constrain the allowable data types of the corresponding actual parameter.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: variable**                                      **To: [InVariable](#)**

via: [variable-for-parameter](#)

Definition: the InVariable that corresponds to the InParameter during each evaluation of the Algorithm.

During an evaluation of the Algorithm that defines the InParameter, the value of the InVariable may change. The corresponding actual parameter value does not change.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 10.2.5.4 Other Roles

**From: [Expressions::ParameterRef](#) as refers-to**

**From: [Expressions::ActualParameter](#) as formal-parameter**

**From: [GenericElement](#) as source**

#### 10.2.5.5 Rules

##### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every Parameter has an identifier

##### Constraint (OCL)

```
IF typeof(self->namespace) = 'Function' THEN NOT self->inout;
```

No parameter to a Function shall be a VAR parameter.

### 10.2.6 Class: Procedure

Definition: an Algorithm that is executed as an action in a FunctionBody.

Note: See 9.5.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: "Procedure" is a reserved word in EXPRESS; if this metamodel is converted to EXPRESS, this class must be renamed.

#### 10.2.6.1 Supertypes

[Algorithm](#)

#### 10.2.6.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.2.6.3 Associations

none.

### 10.2.6.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Statements::ProcedureCall](#) as invokes

## 10.2.7 Class: Statement

Definition: An EXPRESS Statement, a directive to perform a certain set of operations.

Note: See Clause 13 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: Even though Statement is technically an abstract classifier, it is represented by direct instances with text representations when the Statements compliance point is not supported.

### 10.2.7.1 Supertypes

none.

### 10.2.7.2 Attributes

**Attribute: text** **To:** [Core::ExpressText](#)

Definition: Represents the EXPRESS statement verbatim.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 10.2.7.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: controlled-by** **To:** [Statements::RepeatStatement](#)

via: [Statements::repeat-has-body](#)

Definition: the RepeatStatement that controls the iterated execution of the actions of the Statement.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: implements** **To:** [Algorithm](#)

via: [algorithm-has-body](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Statement and the Algorithm for which it specifies an implementation.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: in-block** **To:** [Statements::StatementBlock](#)

via: [Statements::block-sequences-statements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a Statement and the StatementBlock, if any, in which it occurs.

Note: This relationship is needed for ESCAPE statements and SKIP statements, whose interpretation requires a path back to the REPEAT statement that controls them (see 13.8.3). It may also be needed to associate a RETURN statement with the Algorithm that whose implementation contains it.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### 10.2.7.4 Other Roles

From: [Rules::GlobalRule](#) as supporting-body

Multiplicity: 0..1

From: [Statements::AliasStatement](#) as body

Multiplicity: 0..1

From: [Statements::CaseAction](#) as action

Multiplicity: 0..1

From: [Statements::IfStatement](#) as then-action

Multiplicity: 0..1

From: [Statements::IfStatement](#) as else-action

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 10.2.8 Class: VARParameter

Definition: A formal parameter to a Procedure that is used as a reference to the object that is the ActualParameter in a given invocation. That is, a VARParameter represents a parameter that is "passed by reference." A VARParameter is not a separate object; it is rather a temporary name for an existing object – the ActualParameter. Alternatively, it may be thought of as an object that holds a pointer to another object. All references to a VARParameter (in Statements and Expressions) refer to the object that the VARParameter refers to.

Note: See 9.5.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 10.2.8.1 Supertypes

[Parameter](#), [VARVariable](#)

#### 10.2.8.2 Attributes

none.

#### 10.2.8.3 Associations

none.

#### 10.2.8.4 Other Roles

none.

#### 10.2.8.5 Rules

##### Constraint (OCL)

```
typeof(self->namespace) = 'Procedure' ;
```

Only a Procedure can have a VAR Parameter.

### 10.2.9 Association: algorithm-has-body

Definition: represents the relationship between a (conceptual) Algorithm and a definition of the Algorithm as a StatementBlock – a sequence of actions to be performed.

Note: See 9.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.2.9.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: body** To: [Statement](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a (conceptual) Algorithm and a definition of the Algorithm as a Statement. In most cases, the Statement is a StatementBlock – a sequence of actions to be performed. The body of the Algorithm is modeled as optional (0..1). Support for the body is not a requirement for the support of Algorithms.

Note: See 9.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: implements** To: [Algorithm](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a FunctionBody and the Algorithm for which it specifies an implementation.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 10.2.10 Association: algorithm-has-parameters

Definition: represents the relationship between an Algorithm and its formal parameters.

#### 10.2.10.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

#### 10.2.10.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: formal-parameters** To: [Parameter](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Algorithm and its formal parameters.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [Algorithm](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Parameter and the Algorithm of which it is a formal parameter, and therefore the Algorithm which is the namespace for its .id.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.2.11 Association: function-has-result

Definition: represents the relationship between a Function and its FunctionResult.

Note: See 9.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 10.2.11.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

### 10.2.11.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: namespace**

**To: [Function](#)**

Definition: the Function that is the AlgorithmScope in which the Function name refers to the FunctionResult.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: result**

**To: [FunctionResult](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Function and its FunctionResult.

Note: See 9.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 10.3 Variables

This section describes the concepts associated with Variables in EXPRESS. Variables are introduced in Algorithms and GlobalRules. 10.3 depicts the concepts described in this section.

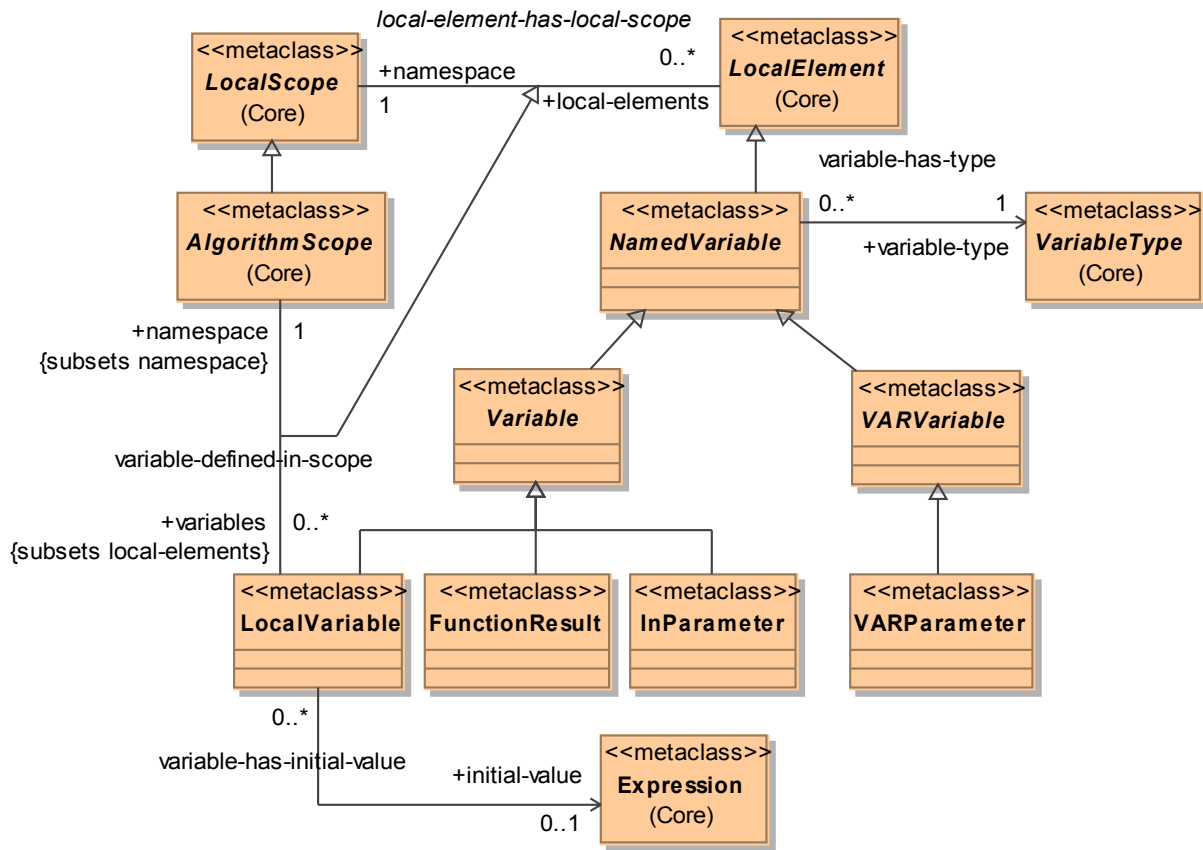


Figure 27 - Variables

### 10.3.1 Class: LocalVariable

Definition: a Variable that is declared as LOCAL to an Algorithm or GlobalRule and given an Identifier, and possibly an initial value, in the declaration.

Note: See 9.5.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.3.1.1 Supertypes

[Variable](#)

### 10.3.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.3.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: initial-value**                      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the LocalVariable and the Expression that specifies its initial-value on entry to the body of the Algorithm or GlobalRule that defines it.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: namespace**                      **To: [Core::AlgorithmScope](#)**

via: [variable-defined-in-scope](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the LocalVariable and the AlgorithmScope in which it is defined. This is a refinement of the NamedElement.namespace relationship. The lifetime of a LocalVariable is exactly equal to the lifetime of the algorithm invocation or the GlobalRule evaluation that corresponds to the AlgorithmScope.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.3.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 10.3.2 Class: NamedVariable

Definition: Any EXPRESS syntactic variable: A LocalVariable, a QueryVariable, an increment ControlVariable, an AliasVariable, or a Parameter or FunctionResult. A NamedVariable is a NamedElement and always has a name/identifier. Each kind of NamedVariable has a different scope, but the scopes of every NamedVariable is a LocalScope.

Every NamedVariable has a declared variable-type, which may be an InstantiableType or an ActualType.

Properties: abstract

### 10.3.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::LocalElement](#)

### 10.3.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.3.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: variable-type**                      **To: [Core::VariableType](#)**

Definition: the actual data type of the Variable. In any given invocation, the data type of the Variable is an InstantiableType. If the data type of the Variable is specified as an InstantiableType, it is fixed for all invocations. If the



data type of the Variable is specified as an ActualType, the actual data type varies from invocation to invocation, according to the data type of an actual parameter. If the Variable is a Parameter and its formal parameter type is a GeneralizedType, the variable-type is the corresponding ActualType.

Note: See 9.5.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.3.2.4 Other Roles

From: [Expressions::VariableRef](#) as refers-to

### 10.3.2.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every NamedVariable has an identifier

## 10.3.3 Class: VARVariable

Definition: A VARVariable represents a "reference" or "pointer" that functions as a reference to a Variable (or part of a Variable) during the execution of an Algorithm.

A VARVariable is a NamedVariable (it has an identifier and a nominal variable-type), but it is not a Variable. Unlike a Variable, it does not itself hold an Instance. Instead, it points to an object (place) that holds an Instance. The object to which a VARVariable refers is called its *referent*. The referent of a VARVariable can be anything to which a VARExpression (see 13.10.5) can refer. The referent of a VARVariable is fixed at the time the instance of the VARVariable is created.

There are two kinds of VARVariables: VARParameter and AliasVariable.

Properties: abstract

### 10.3.3.1 Supertypes

[NamedVariable](#)

### 10.3.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.3.3.3 Associations

none.

### 10.3.3.4 Other Roles

From: [Statements::AliasRef](#) as refers-to

## 10.3.4 Class: Variable

Definition: a NamedVariable that exists during an invocation of an Algorithm or the evaluation of a GlobalRule and contains an Instance of a specified data type. (In essence, the type of a Variable specifies the structure of the object that contains the value.) During execution of an Algorithm, the Instance contained in a Variable can change. The values contained in other NamedVariables can change, but only Variables can be the objects of assignments or the referents of VARExpressions (see 13.10). Playing the role `VariableCell.referent` characterizes Variables.

Note: See 9.5.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004. Part 11 uses the term "variable" to denote any of several kinds of objects that hold values, including LocalVariables, FunctionResults, Parameters, aggregate members, and ExplicitAttributes in EntityValues. The term Variable here only refers to LocalVariables, FunctionResults, and InParameters.

Properties: abstract

### 10.3.4.1 Supertypes

[NamedVariable](#)

### 10.3.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.3.4.3 Associations

none.

### 10.3.4.4 Other Roles

From: [Statements::VariableCell](#) as refers-to

## 10.3.5 Association: variable-defined-in-scope

Definition: represents the relationship between a LocalVariable and the AlgorithmScope in which it is defined. This is a refinement of the [element-defined-in-scope](#) relationship.

### 10.3.5.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

### 10.3.5.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: namespace**

**To: [Core::AlgorithmScope](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the LocalVariable and the AlgorithmScope in which it is defined. This is a refinement of the NamedElement.namespace relationship. The lifetime of a LocalVariable is exactly equal to the lifetime of the algorithm invocation or the GlobalRule evaluation that corresponds to the AlgorithmScope.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: variables**

**To: [LocalVariable](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the LocalScope and the set of LocalVariables that are defined within it.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 10.4 Actual Types

In the simplest case, return values, variables, and other elements whose lifetime is the evaluation of the Algorithm are declared to have InstantiableTypes. But they can also be declared to be derivatives of the data types of the actual parameters in a given invocation. 10.4 depicts the model of data types that have such declarations, herein called *ActualTypes*.

EXPRESS permits the generalized\_type specifications for formal parameters to contain labeled generic components that refer to specific elements of the data type of the corresponding actual parameters. These elements can then be referred to in the specifications of data types that are ActualTypes. 10.4 depicts the binding of ActualTypes to the components of the data types of the formal parameters of the Algorithm.

All of these concepts are described in detail in this section.

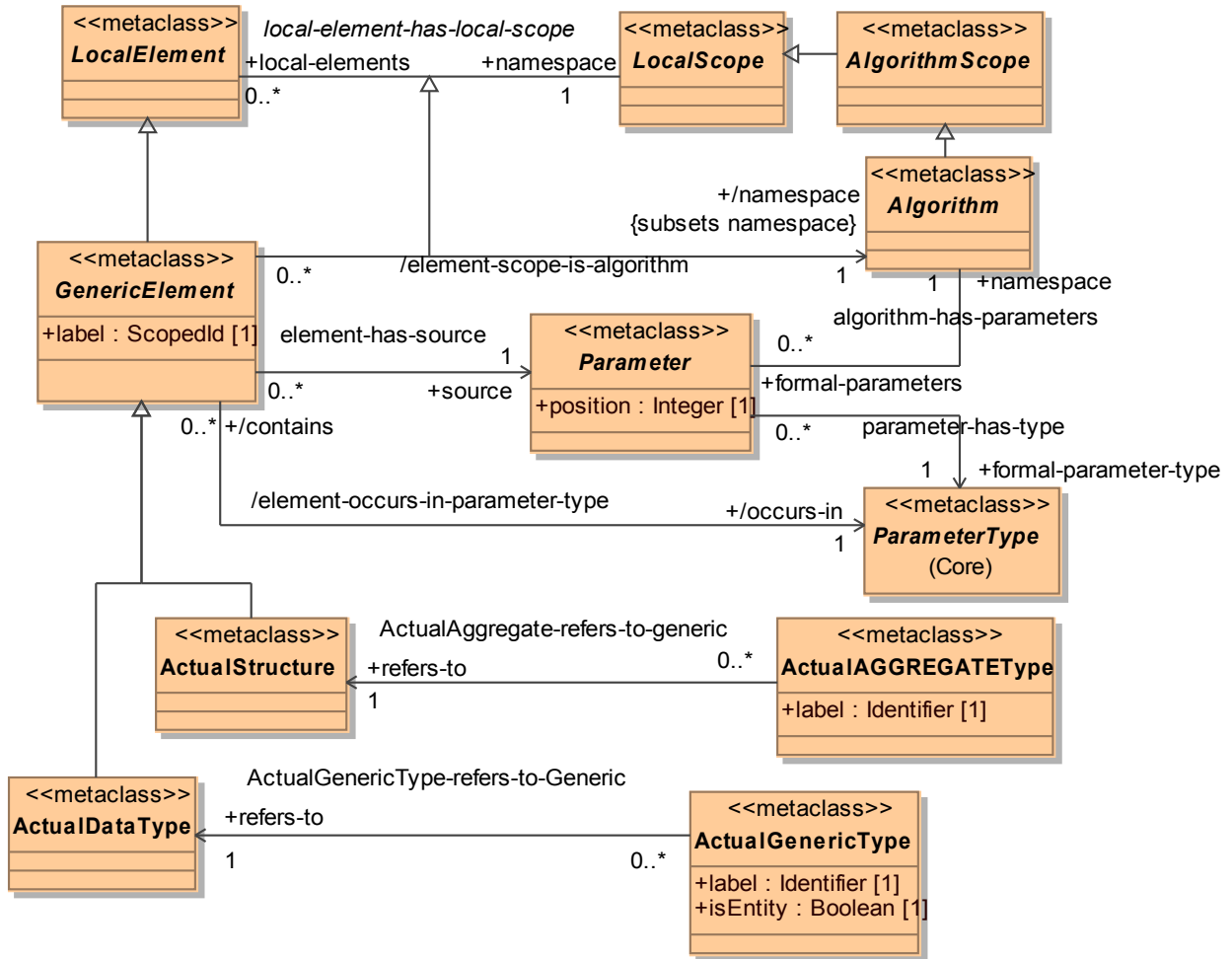


Figure 28 - Actual Types

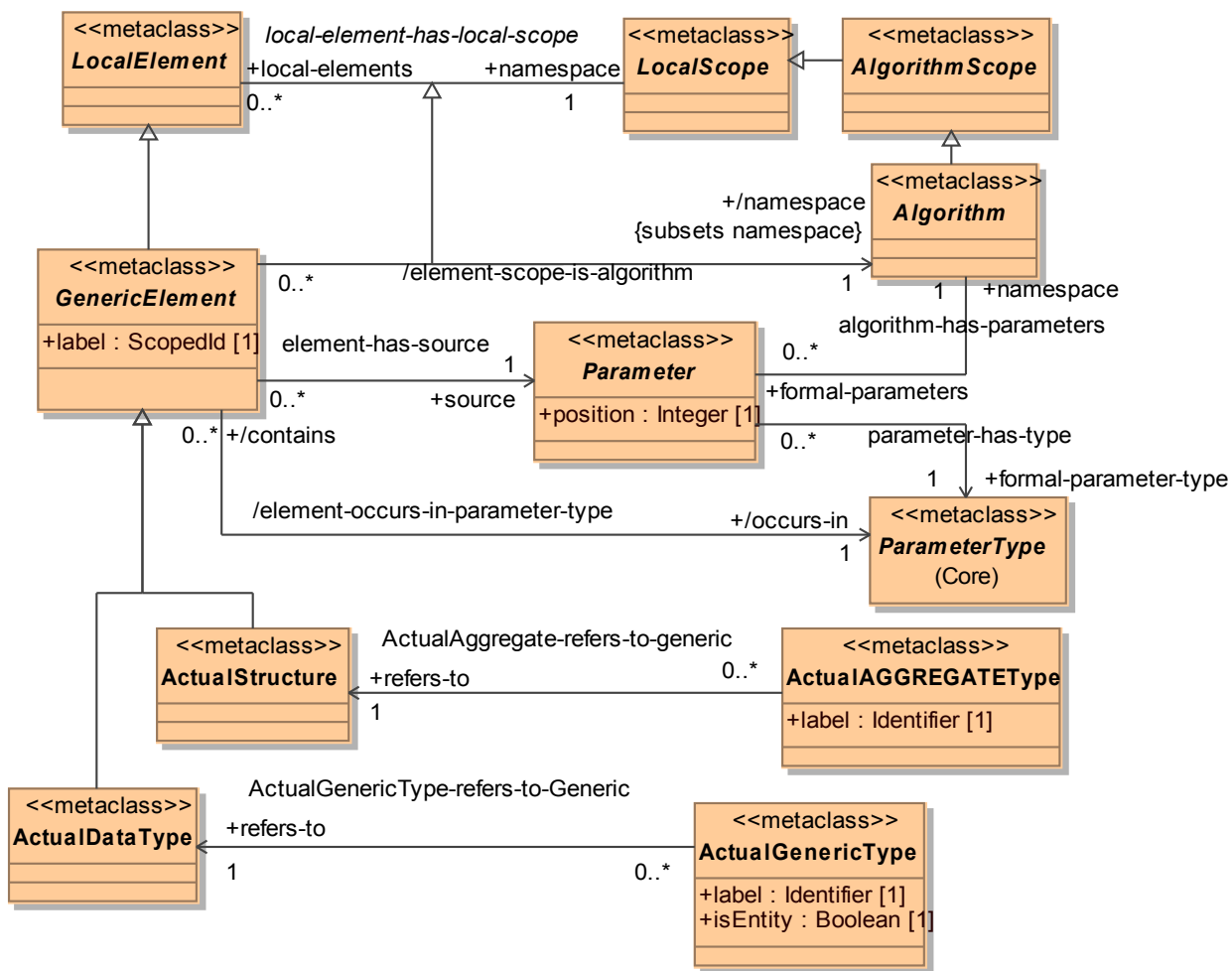


Figure 29 - ActualType References to Elements of GeneralizedTypes

### 10.4.1 Class: Core::ActualType

Definition: specification of an instantiable data type by reference to (a component of) the data type of the actual parameter that corresponds to a formal parameter of the Algorithm.

Each subtype of ActualType refers to a GenericElement that is defined among the formal Parameters of the Algorithm. The GenericElement denotes the corresponding component of the data type of the corresponding actual parameter in any given invocation. The GenericElement is named by an EXPRESS type\_label, and the ActualType refers to that GenericElement via the type\_label.

Note: The class ActualType is defined in the Core package (see 8.6.1).

### 10.4.2 Class: ActualAGGREGATEType

Definition: an ActualType that is an aggregation type whose structure is specified by an ActualStructure, which refers to the structure of a (component of) an actual parameter. The .label attribute is used to determine the ActualStructure to which it refers. The member-type of the ActualAGGREGATEType can be any VariableType (Instantiable or Actual) and need not have any relationship to the member type of the corresponding actual parameter.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.4.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::ActualType](#)

### 10.4.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** label

**To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: Represents the "type\_label" on the AGGREGATE type, which is used to associate it with the ActualStructure.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.4.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** lower-bound

**To:** [Core::SizeConstraint](#)

Definition: represents a lower-bound constraint on aggregate values that are instances of the actual aggregation type corresponding to the AGGREGATE type. If the lower-bound constraint is present, the number of members of the aggregate value shall be greater than or equal to this value. If the lower-bound is not present or evaluates to zero, there is no constraint. Unless the lower-bound specified for the AGGREGATE type is an explicit "0," this constraint shall appear.

Note: See 9.5.3.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd:** member-type

**To:** [Core::VariableType](#)

Definition: represents the type of the components of the actual aggregation type that has the structure that corresponds to the AGGREGATE type. The type of the members may be an InstantiableType or an ActualType derived from a ParameterType.

Note: See 9.5.3.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd:** refers-to

**To:** [ActualStructure](#)

Definition: the AGGREGATEType to which the ActualAGGREGATEType corresponds. When instantiated, the ActualType will use the aggregate structure of the ActualParameter that corresponds to this AGGREGATEType (element).

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd:** upper-bound

**To:** [Core::SizeConstraint](#)

Definition: represents an upper-bound constraint on aggregate values that are instances of the actual aggregation type corresponding to the AGGREGATE type. If the upper-bound constraint is present and does not evaluate to indeterminate ("?"), the number of members of the aggregate value shall be less than or equal to this value. If the upper-bound is not present or evaluates to indeterminate, there is no constraint. Unless the upper-bound specified for the AGGREGATE type is an explicit "?", this constraint shall appear.

Note: See 9.5.3.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 10.4.2.4 Other Roles

none.

### 10.4.3 Class: ActualAggregationType

Definition: An aggregation type whose member-type is an ActualType. An ActualAggregationType differs from an InstantiableAggregationType in that the data type of its components is dynamically specified.

Properties: abstract

#### 10.4.3.1 Supertypes

[Core::AggregationType](#), [Core::ActualType](#)

#### 10.4.3.2 Attributes

none.

#### 10.4.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-type**                      **To: [Core::ActualType](#)**

Definition: represents the ActualType that is the the type of the component elements of the ActualAggregationType.

Note: If the member-type were not itself an ActualType, the ActualAggregationType would be an Instantiable AggregationType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 10.4.3.4 Other Roles

none.

### 10.4.4 Class: ActualARRAYType

Definition: An ActualAggregationType whose structure is an ARRAY with defined lower and upper bounds on the index.

#### 10.4.4.1 Supertypes

[ActualAggregationType](#)

#### 10.4.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isOptional**                                      **To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if the member type is declared to be OPTIONAL in the syntactic designation for the ARRAYType; False otherwise. When isOptional is True, any instance of the ARRAYType is permitted to have members whose value is unspecified ("?").

Note: See 8.2.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 10.4.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: hi-index**                                      **To: [Core::ArrayBound](#)**

Definition: represents the upper bound on the Integer index-range of each value of the ActualARRAYType.

Note: See 8.2.1 and 15.11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: lo-index**

**To: [Core::ArrayBound](#)**

Definition: represents the lower bound on the Integer index-range of each value of the ActualARRAYType.

Note: See 8.2.1 and 15.11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### **10.4.4.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **10.4.5 Class: ActualBAGType**

Definition: An ActualAggregationType whose structure is a BAG. (See 8.9.4)

#### **10.4.5.1 Supertypes**

[ActualAggregationType](#)

#### **10.4.5.2 Attributes**

none.

#### **10.4.5.3 Associations**

none.

#### **10.4.5.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **10.4.6 Class: ActualDataType**

Definition: A GENERIC or GENERIC\_ENTITY type that defines a type\_label to refer to the data type of the corresponding component of the .source ActualParameter. That is, a GenericType (component) that is also a GenericElement.

The ActualDataType is the first occurrence of the label among the Parameters of the Algorithm. Later occurrences in Parameters are ActualTypeConstraints (see 10.5).

#### **10.4.6.1 Supertypes**

[GenericElement](#), [Core::GenericType](#)

#### **10.4.6.2 Attributes**

none.

#### **10.4.6.3 Associations**

none.

#### **10.4.6.4 Other Roles**

**From: [ActualGenericType](#) as refers-to**

From: [ActualTypeConstraint](#) as required-type

## 10.4.7 Class: ActualGenericType

Definition: an ActualType that refers to an ActualDataType – the data type of an actual parameter or component of an actual parameter. The .label attribute is used to determine the ActualStructure to which it refers. If the .isEntity attribute is FALSE (the EXPRESS keyword is GENERIC), the actual data type can be any Instantiable data type. If the .isEntity attribute is TRUE (the EXPRESS keyword is GENERIC\_ENTITY), the actual data type must be an EntityType.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.4.7.1 Supertypes

[Core::ActualType](#)

### 10.4.7.2 Attributes

**Attribute: isEntity**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: True if the ActualType is required to be an EntityType; False otherwise.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**Attribute: label**

**To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Definition: Represents the "type\_label" on the GENERIC or GENERIC\_ENTITY type, which is used to associate it with the ActualDataType.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.4.7.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to**

**To: [ActualDataType](#)**

Definition: the GenericType to which the ActualGenericType corresponds. When instantiated, the actual type will be the data type of the ActualParameter that corresponds to this GenericType (element).

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.4.7.4 Other Roles

none.

## 10.4.8 Class: ActualLISTType

Definition: An ActualAggregationType whose structure is a LIST. (See 8.9.6)

### 10.4.8.1 Supertypes

[ActualAggregationType](#)

### 10.4.8.2 Attributes

none.

### 10.4.8.3 Associations

none.



#### 10.4.8.4 Other Roles

none.

### 10.4.9 Class: ActualSETType

Definition: An ActualAggregationType whose structure is a SET. (See 8.9.8)

#### 10.4.9.1 Supertypes

[ActualAggregationType](#)

#### 10.4.9.2 Attributes

none.

#### 10.4.9.3 Associations

none.

#### 10.4.9.4 Other Roles

none.

### 10.4.10 Class: ActualStructure

Definition: An AGGREGATE type that defines a type\_label to refer to the structure (ARRAY, BAG, LIST, SET) of the corresponding component of the corresponding ActualParameter. That is, an AGGREGATEType (component) that is also a GenericElement.

The ActualStructure is the first occurrence of the label among the Parameters of the Algorithm. Later occurrences in Parameters of the same Algorithm are ActualStructureConstraints (see 10.5).

#### 10.4.10.1 Supertypes

[Core::AGGREGATEType](#), [GenericElement](#)

#### 10.4.10.2 Attributes

none.

#### 10.4.10.3 Associations

none.

#### 10.4.10.4 Other Roles

From: [ActualAGGREGATEType](#) as refers-to

From: [ActualStructureConstraint](#) as required-structure

### 10.4.11 Class: GenericElement

Definition: a LocalElement representing a component of the type description for a formal Parameter that refers to the corresponding type component of the corresponding actual parameter. The GenericElement is denoted by a type\_label (the .label attribute) that is unique within the scope of the Algorithm. The first occurrence of the type\_label in the formal parameter list defines the GenericElement. Any later occurrence of the same type\_label in the formal parameter list (even

in the same Parameter) specifies an ActualStructureConstraint or an ActualTypeConstraint that is based on the GenericElement.

Properties: abstract

### 10.4.11.1 Supertypes

[Core::LocalElement](#)

### 10.4.11.2 Attributes

**Attribute: label** **To: [Core::ScopedId](#)**

Definition: represents the "type\_label" on the GENERIC, GENERIC\_ENTITY or AGGREGATE type component, treated as a ScopedId whose namespace is the Algorithm in which it is defined.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.4.11.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: namespace** **To: [Algorithm](#)**

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the Algorithm that is the namespace of the ScopedId that is the label. This relationship is derived – the namespace of a GenericElement is the same as the namespace of its .source Parameter.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->source->namespace;
```

**AssociationEnd: source** **To: [Parameter](#)**

Definition: the Parameter whose formal parameter type is or includes the GenericElement and defines its label. The first (by .position) Parameter whose formal parameter type contains the label defines the label. The corresponding component of the data type of the actual parameter is used to define the actual data type or structure that corresponds to the GenericElement.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: composite

### 10.4.11.4 Other Roles

none.

## 10.4.12 Association: scope-of-actual-type

Definition: represents the relationship between an ActualType and the Algorithm that is its scope.

### 10.4.12.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

## 10.4.12.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: scope**

To: [Algorithm](#)

Definition: The Algorithm in which the ActualType is specified. The ActualType must be the data type of a Variable or Attribute whose scope is contained in the Algorithm.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: actual-types**

To: [ActualType](#)

Definition: the set of ActualTypes that are defined in the Algorithm.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 10.5 Actual Type Constraints

EXPRESS permits the generalized\_type specifications for formal parameters to contain labeled generic components that refer to specific elements of the data type of the corresponding actual parameters. These elements can be referred to in the specifications for the data types of other formal parameters. The effect of such a reference is to state a constraint on the data types of the actual parameters that correspond to the formal parameter that contains the reference to the labeled component. This section provides a model for the capture of such constraints, herein called *ActualTypeConstraints*. The associated concepts are depicted in 10.4 (above) and yyy.

According to clause 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11, the first occurrence of a labeled component in a parameter type is the defining occurrence and subsequent occurrences are constraining references.

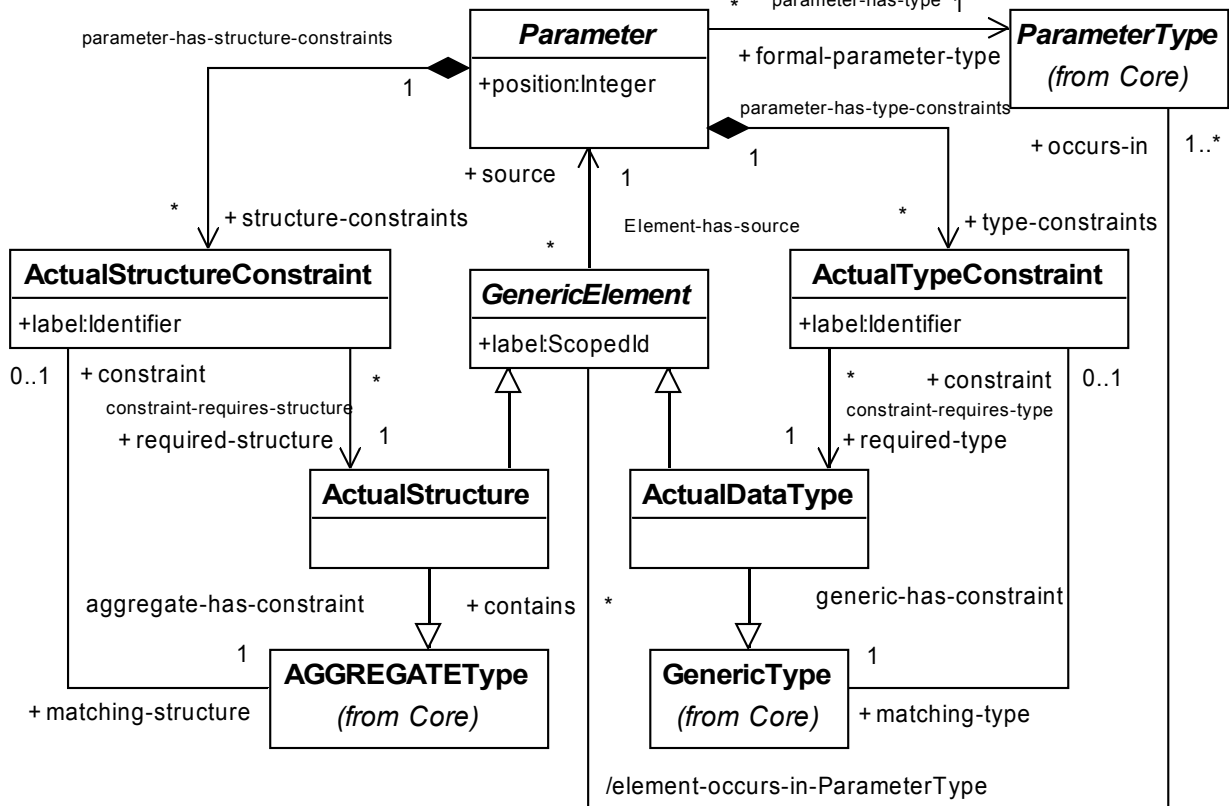


Figure 30 - Actual Type Constraints

## 10.5.1 Class: ActualStructureConstraint

Definition: A constraint on the aggregation structure of the data type of the actual parameter that corresponds to the formal parameter. The constraint is declared in EXPRESS by a `type_label` on an AGGREGATE type that occurs in the specification of the data type of a formal parameter, but is not the definition of that `type_label` (cf. ActualStructure). The requirement declared by the constraint is that the structure of the corresponding component of the data type of the corresponding actual parameter (the `.matching-structure`) must be the same as the structure referred to by the ActualStructure that is denoted by the `(.label)` `type_label`.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.5.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 10.5.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** `label` **To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: the `type_label` value on the syntactic AGGREGATE type that denotes the constraint. Any occurrence of the same `type_label` after the first denotes a constraint.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.5.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** `matching-structure` **To:** [Core::AGGREGATETYPE](#)

via: [aggregate-has-constraint](#)

Definition: the AGGREGATE component in the specification of the data type of the formal parameter to which the constraint applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd:** `required-structure` **To:** [ActualStructure](#)

Definition: the ActualStructure that defines the `.label` `type_label` that is used to establish the constraint. The ActualStructure defines the required structure (ARRAY, BAG, LIST, SET) of the corresponding component of the data type of the actual parameter.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.5.1.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Parameter](#) as `structure-constraints`

## 10.5.2 Class: ActualTypeConstraint

Definition: a constraint that requires type compatibility between the `.required-type` ActualDataType and the (component of the) actual data type of the actual parameter that corresponds to the occurrence of the `.matching-type` in the formal-parameter-type of the Parameter that has the constraint. The constraint is declared in EXPRESS by a `type_label` on a GENERIC or GENERIC\_OBJECT type that occurs in the specification of the data type of a formal parameter, but is not the definition of that `type_label` (cf. ActualDataType). The ActualTypeConstraint relates one Parameter and its formal-parameter-type to the ActualDataType that defines the `.label` `type_label`. If the formal parameter types of additional Parameters contain the same `type_label`, each such occurrence constitutes a distinct ActualTypeConstraint.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 10.5.2.1 Supertypes

none.

### 10.5.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** label

**To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: the type\_label value on the syntactic AGGREGATE type that denotes the constraint. Any occurrence of the same type\_label after the first denotes a constraint.

Note: See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.5.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** matching-type

**To:** [Core::GenericType](#)

via: [generic-has-constraint](#)

Definition: the GENERIC or GENERIC\_ENTITY component in the specification of the data type of the formal parameter to which the constraint applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd:** required-type

**To:** [ActualDataType](#)

Definition: the ActualDataType that defines the .label type\_label that is used to establish the constraint. The ActualDataType defines the data type with which the corresponding component of the data type of the actual parameter (the .matching-type) must be compatible.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 10.5.2.4 Other Roles

**From:** [Parameter](#) as type-constraints

## 10.5.3 Association: aggregate-has-constraint

Definition: the relationship between an AGGREGATE type specification and its ActualStructureConstraint, if any.

### 10.5.3.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd:** constraint

**To:** [ActualStructureConstraint](#)

Definition: the ActualStructureConstraint, if any, that applies to this component of the GeneralizedType specification.

Note: Only an AGGREGATEType that appears in the specification of the data type of a Parameter can have an ActualStructureConstraint. The AGGREGATEType has an ActualStructureConstraint only if it has a syntactic type\_label and does not itself define that type\_label. See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: matching-structure**      To: [Core::AGGREGATType](#)

Definition: the AGGREGATE component in the specification of the data type of the formal parameter to which the constraint applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 10.5.4 Association: generic-has-constraint

Definition: the relationship between a GENERIC or GENERIC\_ENTITY type specification and its ActualTypeConstraint, if any.

### 10.5.4.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: constraint**      To: [ActualTypeConstraint](#)

Definition: the ActualTypeConstraint, if any, that applies to this component of the GeneralizedType specification.

Note: Only a GenericType that appears in the specification of the data type of a Parameter can have an ActualTypeConstraint. The GenericType has an ActualTypeConstraint only if it has a syntactic type\_label and does not itself define that type\_label. See 9.5.3.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: matching-type**      To: [Core::GenericType](#)

Definition: the GENERIC or GENERIC\_ENTITY component in the specification of the data type of the formal parameter to which the constraint applies.

Multiplicity: 1..1

# 11 Package: Rules

The Rules Package contains the models of RULEs and SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINTS, which rely on the notion of extents of types with populations (see 9.7).

## 11.1 Dependencies

### Dependency on Package: [Core](#)

Stereotypes: import

The Rules Package depends on the Core Package for the NamedElement and Scope concepts, for the EntityType concept, and for the basic Expression concept.

### Dependency on Package: [Algorithms](#)

Stereotypes: import

The Rules Package depends on the Algorithms Package for the Variable and Statement concepts.

## 11.2 Global Rules

This section models the concepts used in EXPRESS RULE declarations. 11.2 depicts the principal concepts.

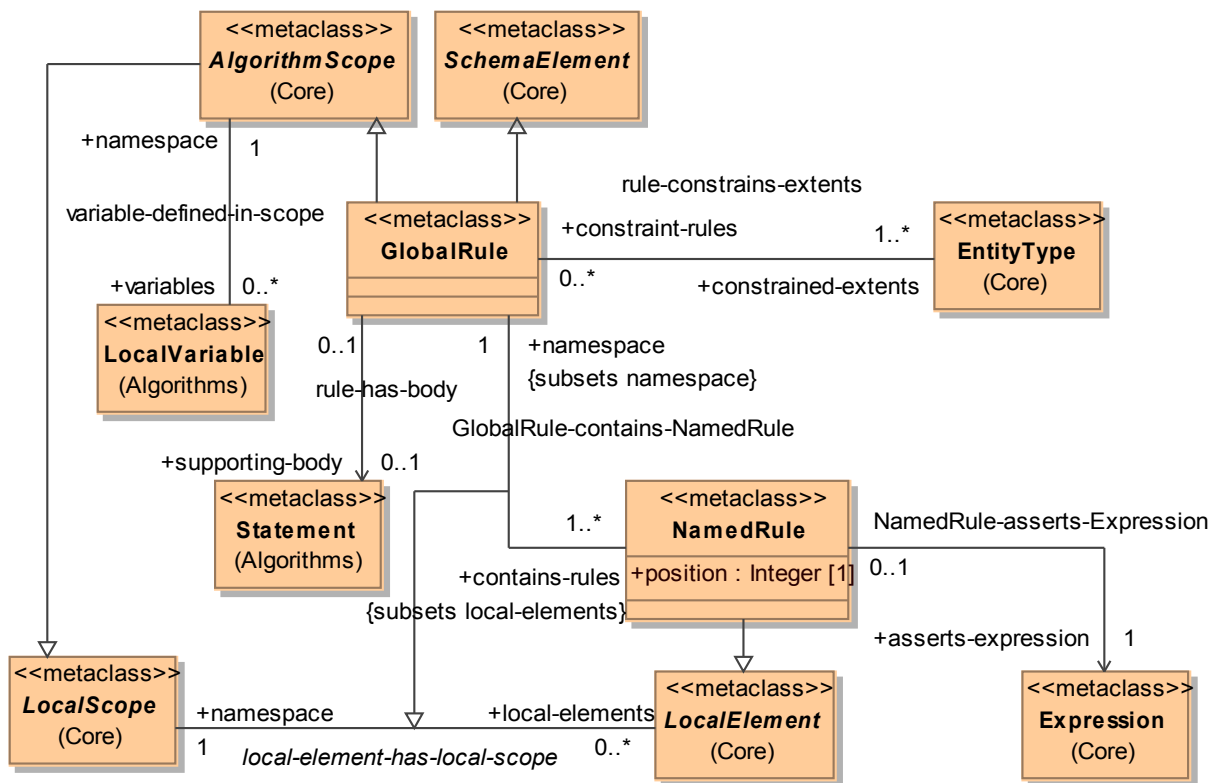


Figure 31 - Global Rules

## 11.2.1 Class: GlobalRule

Definition: a SchemaElement denoting a collection of NamedRules for the interaction of the Extents of one or more EntityTypes. It corresponds to the RULE declaration in EXPRESS. Every GlobalRule is also an AlgorithmScope and may define CommonElements and Variables.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 11.2.1.1 Supertypes

[Core::AlgorithmScope](#), [Core::SchemaElement](#)

### 11.2.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 11.2.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: constrained-extents** To: [Core::EntityType](#)

via: [rule-constrains-extents](#)

Definition: the EntityTypes whose Extents are constrained by the GlobalRule

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: contains-rules** To: [NamedRule](#)

via: [GlobalRule-contains-NamedRule](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the GlobalRule (container) and the NamedRules it contains. Since the GlobalRule also constitutes the scope of the id (if any) for the NamedRule, this relationship is treated as a specialization of the Scope.named-elements relationship.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: supporting-body** To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)

Definition: represents the Statement, usually a StatementBlock, that provides values for LocalVariables used in the NamedRules that are contained in the GlobalRule.

The supporting-body of the GlobalRule can only appear if one or more LocalVariables are introduced for use in the NamedRules, and even then, the supporting-body is not required if the value of each LocalVariable is completely defined by an initializing expression.

If an implementation of the metamodel does not support the Statements compliance point, the supporting body should be captured as text when it is present.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 11.2.1.4 Other Roles

none.



### 11.2.1.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->defined-in);
```

Every GlobalRule shall be defined-in a Schema.

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
exists(self->id);
```

Every GlobalRule shall have an identifier

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
if exists(self->supporting-body) then exists(self->variables);
```

A GlobalRule cannot have a supporting body unless it defines LocalVariables.

## 11.2.2 Class: NamedRule

Definition: a constraint requiring a given Boolean Expression involving the Extents of one or more EntityTypes to evaluate to True. It corresponds to a domain rule contained in a Rule declaration in EXPRESS.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 11.2.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::LocalElement](#)

### 11.2.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position** To: [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: Represents the lexical position of the NamedRule in the sequence of NamedRules contained in the GlobalRule.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 11.2.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: asserts-expression** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the fact that every NamedRule states a Boolean expression that is required to be True for the Extents in a given Population.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004. The asserts-expression that formulates the NamedRule is wholly owned by the NamedRule. It is not treated as reusable.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [GlobalRule](#)

via: [GlobalRule-contains-NamedRule](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the NamedRule and the GlobalRule that contains it. This is a refinement of the NamedElement.namespace relationship to Scope. In addition to being the namespace for the id of the NamedRule,

the GlobalRule identifies the EntityTypes to which the NamedRule applies (and whose Extents may be referred to in the asserts-expression) and may define Variables that are used in the asserts-expression.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 11.2.2.4 Other Roles

None.

### 11.2.3 Association: GlobalRule-contains-NamedRule

Definition: represents the relationship between the GlobalRule (container) and the NamedRules it contains.

#### 11.2.3.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

#### 11.2.3.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: contains-rules**                      **To: [NamedRule](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the GlobalRule (container) and the NamedRules it contains. Since the GlobalRule also constitutes the scope of the id (if any) for the NamedRule, this relationship is treated as a specialization of the Scope.named-elements relationship.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: namespace**                      **To: [GlobalRule](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between the NamedRule and the GlobalRule that contains it. This is a refinement of the NamedElement.namespace relationship to Scope. In addition to being the namespace for the id of the NamedRule, the GlobalRule identifies the EntityTypes to which the NamedRule applies (and whose Extents may be referred to in the asserts-expression) and may define Variables that are used in the asserts-expression.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 11.2.4 Association: rule-constrains-extents

Definition: represents the relationship between a GlobalRule and the EntityTypes whose Extents it constrains.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 11.2.4.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: constrained-extents**                      **To: [Core::EntityType](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a GlobalRule and the Extents of the EntityTypes that it constrains

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: constraint-rules**      **To: [GlobalRule](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and the GlobalRules that constrain it.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 11.3 SupertypeRules and SubtypeConstraints

This section models the concepts used in EXPRESS supertype clauses and SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT declarations.

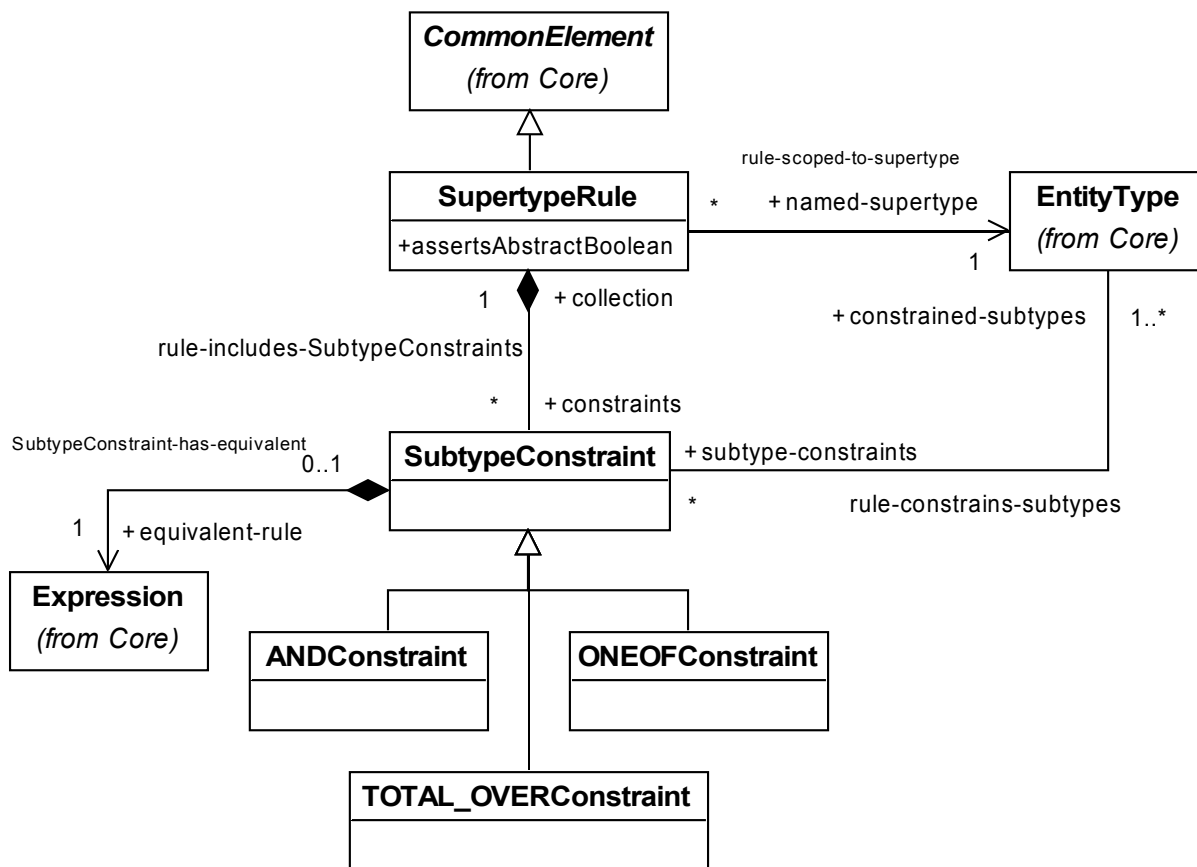


Figure 32 - Supertype Rules and Subtype Constraints

### 11.3.1 Class: ANDConstraint

Definition: a constraint requiring its two operands to be equal as sets. Each operand can be a single Extent or a union of Extents.

Note: See 9.2.5.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 11.3.1.1 Supertypes

[SubtypeConstraint](#)

### 11.3.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 11.3.1.3 Associations

none.

### 11.3.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 11.3.2 Class: ONEOFConstraint

Definition: a constraint requiring all of its operands to be mutually exclusive. Each operand can be a single Extent or a union of Extents.

Note: See 9.2.5.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 11.3.2.1 Supertypes

[SubtypeConstraint](#)

### 11.3.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 11.3.2.3 Associations

none.

### 11.3.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 11.3.3 Class: SubtypeConstraint

Definition: a Rule requiring a specific relationship among the Extents of two or more subtypes of a given supertype EntityType. The constraint can be stated as a relationship among the Extents as Sets of entity instances, and is equivalent to a NamedRule.

Note: See 9.2.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 11.3.3.1 Supertypes

none.

### 11.3.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 11.3.3.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: collection

To: [SupertypeRule](#)

via: [rule-includes-SubtypeConstraints](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of a SubtypeConstraint to the SupertypeRule that contains it, which also identifies the common supertype.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: constrained-subtypes** To: [Core::EntityType](#)

via: [rule-constrains-subtypes](#)

Definition: the EntityTypes whose Extents are constrained by the SubtypeConstraint..

Note: See 9.2.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: equivalent-rule** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the fact that every SubtypeConstraint is equivalent to a BooleanExpression involving the Extents of the EntityTypes named in the SubtypeConstraint. The Expression is required to evaluate to True. The effect is that the SubtypeConstraint is equivalent to a NamedRule.

Note: The equivalent-rule that formulates the SubtypeConstraint is wholly owned by the SubtypeConstraint. It is not treated as reusable.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### 11.3.3.4 Other Roles

None.

### 11.3.4 Class: SupertypeRule

Definition: a CommonElement representing a collection of rules requiring specific relationships among the Extents of two or more subtypes of a given supertype EntityType. The interpretation of a SupertypeRule is that all of the contained constraints shall hold. SupertypeRule corresponds to a SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT declaration, or to the EXPRESS supertype-clause attached to an entity declaration. A supertype-clause cannot have a ScopedId; a SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT can have a ScopedId, but is not required to.

Note: See 9.2.5 and 9.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 11.3.4.1 Supertypes

[Core::CommonElement](#)

#### 11.3.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute: assertsAbstract** To: [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: Represents a declaration in a SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT that the .supertype EntityType is to be treated as ABSTRACT in this context, which is usually an interfacing schema.

Note: See clause 9.2.5.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 11.3.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: constraints**

**To:** [SubtypeConstraint](#)

via: [rule-includes-SubtypeConstraints](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SupertypeRule (supertype-clause or SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT) and the individual subtype constraints it contains.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: named-supertype**

**To:** [Core::EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SupertypeRule and the EntityType that is the supertype of all the EntityTypes that appear in the SupertypeRule. This relationship is nominal for ANDConstraints and ONEOFConstraints, but significant for ABSTRACT and TOTAL\_OVERConstraints.

Note: See 9.2.5 and 9.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 11.3.4.4 Other Roles

None.

## 11.3.5 Class: TOTAL\_OVERConstraint

Definition: a constraint requiring the union of all of its operands to be equal to the Extent of the supertype.

Note: See 9.7.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: The proper model of a TOTAL\_OVER constraint requires that the supertype be one of the operands of the equivalent-expression and that the supertype be included among the constrained-subtypes.

### 11.3.5.1 Supertypes

[SubtypeConstraint](#)

### 11.3.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 11.3.5.3 Associations

none.

### 11.3.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 11.3.6 Association: rule-constrains-subtypes

Definition: represents the relationship between a SubtypeConstraint and the Extents of the EntityTypes to which it refers.

Note: See 9.2.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 11.3.6.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: constrained-subtypes** To: [Core::EntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SubtypeConstraint and the EntityTypes whose Extents it constrains.

Note: See 9.2.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: constraints** To: [SubtypeConstraint](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between an EntityType and the SubtypeConstraints that involve it.

Note: See 9.2.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 11.3.7 Association: rule-includes-SubtypeConstraints

Definition: represents the relationship between a SupertypeRule (supertype-clause or SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT) and the individual subtype constraints it contains.

#### 11.3.7.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: collection** To: [SupertypeRule](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of a SubtypeConstraint to the SupertypeRule that contains it, which also identifies the common supertype.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: constraints** To: [SubtypeConstraint](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a SupertypeRule (supertype-clause or SUBTYPE\_CONSTRAINT) and the individual subtype constraints it contains.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

## 12 Package: Expressions

The Expressions Package contains the detailed modeling concepts for Expressions. The basic Expression model in the Core Package is permitted to be a syntactic string. This package provides the elements that support the operational semantics of the expression.

### 12.1 Dependencies

#### Dependency on Package: [Core](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Expressions Package depends on the Core Package for the basic Expression concept, for the basic Instance concept for Expression results, and for references to `InstantiableTypes`, `SingleEntityTypes` and `Attributes`.

#### Dependency on Package: [Instances](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Expressions Package depends on the Instances Package for the Instance concepts that correspond to `Literals` and other references to `Constants`.

#### Dependency on Package: [Algorithms](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Expressions Package depends on the Algorithms Package for the `Variable` concept, and for the `Function` and `Parameter` concepts used in `FunctionCalls`.

### 12.2 Overview of Expressions

12.2 provides the overview of Expression types. `Expression` and `TextExpression` are described in the Core package. `FullExpression` is the abstract class that represents the semantic model of an EXPRESS expression. It is described in this section. Each of its subclasses is described in a separate section below.



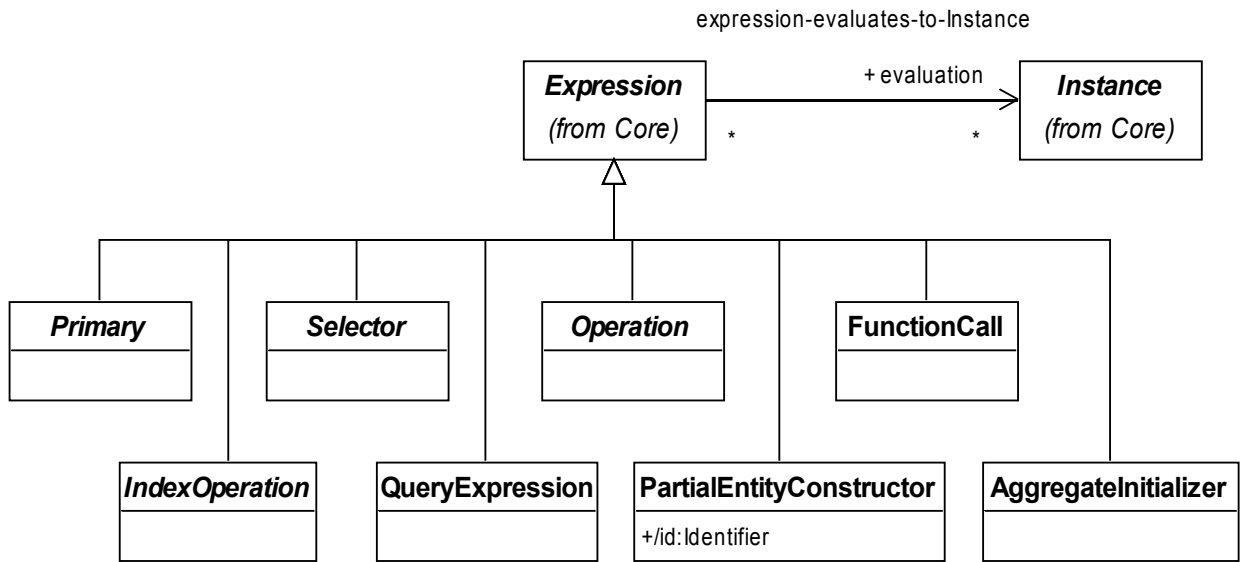


Figure 33 - Expressions

## 12.2.1 Class Core::Expression

Definition: In general, an Expression is the representation of an Instance by a set of computational operations that will produce that Instance when performed in the context in which the Expression occurs. An Expression is always evaluated in a context which determines the assignment of Instances to model elements (e.g., Variables, Attributes, etc.) that appear in the Expression. The Instance produced by the same Expression may vary from context to context. The Instance produced is said to be the value, or the evaluation, of the Expression.

Note: In general, Expressions are treated as reusable. It is recommended, however, that, except for literals and local variables, each occurrence should be a unique object. A few uses of Expression are not treated in the model as reusable, specifically those that are the definitions of Rules.

Note: Class Expression, and all of its properties, are defined in the Core Package, so that it can be used by other Packages, including Core, as necessary. This entry serves only to provide the Definition and a link to the complete specification in 8.14.1.

## 12.2.2 Class: IndexOperation

Definition: an Expression that returns a value "extracted from" a given base value.

Properties: abstract

### 12.2.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

### 12.2.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.2.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** base-value

**To:** [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the base value from which the result value is to be extracted. For an AggregateIndex, the base-value Expression must evaluate to an AggregateValue. For a BinaryIndex, the base-value Expression must evaluate to a BINARY value. For a StringIndex, the base-value Expression must evaluate to a STRING Value.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.2.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.2.3 Class: Operation

Definition: an abstract subclass of Expression; represents the result of a well-defined mathematical operation or character manipulation.

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 12.2.3.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

### 12.2.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.2.3.3 Associations

none.

### 12.2.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.2.4 Class: Primary

Definition: an abstract subclass of Expression representing a specific Instance, or the current value of an object that has a simple lexical designation.

Note: See 12.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Properties: abstract

### 12.2.4.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

### 12.2.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.2.4.3 Associations

none.

### 12.2.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.2.5 Class: Selector

Definition: A FullExpression that returns the value of one or more Attributes of an EntityInstance.

Note: This concept does not appear in Part 11 per se, but the three subclasses all appear in Part 11 and have this property.

Properties: abstract

### 12.2.5.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

### 12.2.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.2.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: entity-instance**                      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: represents the entity instance from which the Selector extracts the value of the named Attribute(s).

Note: See 12.7.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.2.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3 Primaries

This section describes the EXPRESS operations that return the values of named independent elements – Constants, Enumeration items, Extents, Variables, Parameters. It also includes SELF, which is a reference to the current instance of a data type, and Literals, which are specialized syntactic notations that refer to values of simple types.

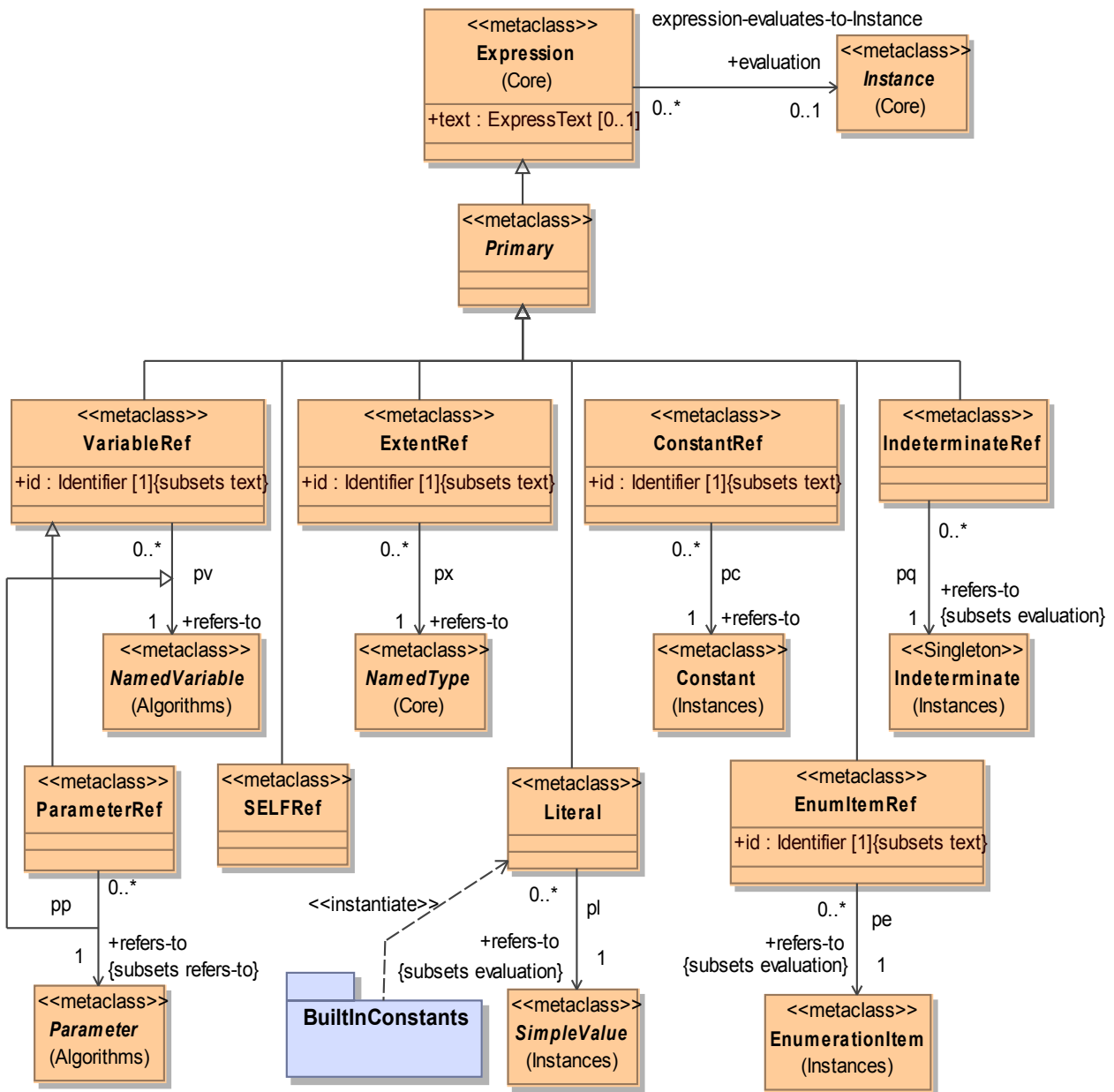


Figure 34 - Primaries

### 12.3.1 Class: ConstantRef

Definition: a Primary Expression that returns the (current) value of a given Constant. The .id attribute refers to an identifier for a Constant defined in, or interfaced into, the schema.

Note: See 12.7.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: A reference to an EXPRESS "Built-in Constant" is considered to be a Literal, not a ConstantRef.

#### 12.3.1.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** **To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the Reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = = self->text;
```

### 12.3.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to** **To: [Instances::Constant](#)**

Definition: represents the Constant referred to by a ConstantRef.

Note: See 12.7.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.3.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.2 Class: EnumItemRef

Definition: a Primary Expression that returns an EnumerationItem (value)

Note: See 12.7.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.2.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** **To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived.

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = = self->text;
```

### 12.3.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to** **To: [Instances::EnumerationItem](#)**

Definition: represents the EnumerationItem value referred to by the EnumItemRef. This relationship specializes Expression.evaluation.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = = self->evaluation;
```

### 12.3.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.3 Class: ExtentRef

Definition: a Primary Expression denoting the extent of a NamedType (almost always an entity data type), that is, the set of instances of that data type that appear in the population. This type of Primary is only permitted in an Expression that states a Rule.

Note: See 9.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.3.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = = self->text;
```

### 12.3.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to**

**To:** [Core::NamedType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the Extent Reference and the NamedType to which the .id value refers. The value returned is the Extent of that NamedType within the (current) Population.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.3.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.4 Class: IndeterminateRef

Definition: a Primary Expression consisting of the symbol ("?.") that denotes the Indeterminate value.

Note: See 14.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.4.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.4.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.3.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** refers-to

**To:** [Instances::Indeterminate](#)

Definition: represents the fact that the IndeterminateRef refers to the single Indeterminate value. This relationship specializes Expression.evaluation.

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = = self->evaluation;
```

### 12.3.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.5 Class: Literal

Definition: a Primary Expression consisting of a symbol that denotes a specific value of a SimpleType. The .text attribute of Expression is the representation of the value.

Note: See 7.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.5.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.5.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.3.5.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** refers-to

**To:** [Instances::SimpleValue](#)

Definition: represents the SimpleValue value referred to by the Literal. This relationship specializes Expression.evaluation.

Properties: derived, abstract

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = = self->evaluation;
```

### 12.3.5.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.6 Class: ParameterRef

Definition: a Primary Expression that returns the current value associated with a given Parameter.

A ParameterRef is only permitted within the body of an Algorithm.

For an InParameter, the associated value is the current value of the InParameter.  
For a VarParameter, the associated value is the current value in the referent of the VarParameter.

A ParameterRef is a subclass of VariableRef, because every Parameter is a NamedVariable, and a ParameterRef is a reference to the value of the Parameter seen as a variable in the body of the Algorithm.

Note: See 12.7.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.6.1 Supertypes

[VariableRef](#)

### 12.3.6.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** **To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->text;
```

### 12.3.6.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to** **To: [Algorithms::Parameter](#)**

Subsets: [VariableRef.refers-to](#)

Definition: the formal Parameter to which the ParameterRef refers. If the formal Parameter is an InParameter, the ParameterRef refers to its current value. If the formal Parameter is a VarParameter, the ParameterRef refers to the current value of its referent..

Note: See 12.7.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.3.6.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.7 Class: SELFRef

Definition: A Primary Expression consisting of the symbol SELF. It refers to the value of each instance (in any Population) of the data type being defined by the declaration in which it appears. SELF is only a valid Symbol in a DomainRule.

Note: See clause 14.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.7.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.7.2 Attributes

none.



### 12.3.7.3 Associations

none.

### 12.3.7.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.3.8 Class: VariableRef

Definition: a Primary Expression that returns the value currently associated with a given NamedVariable. NamedVariables include LocalVariables, QueryVariables, ControlVariables, and AliasVariables. They also include Parameters and FunctionResults seen as variables within the body of the Algorithm.

A VariableRef that refers-to a QueryVariable may occur anywhere within expressions in the owning Query.

A VariableRef that refers-to a ControlVariable may occur anywhere within the RepeatStatement that defines the ControlVariable.

A VariableRef that refers-to an AliasVariable may occur anywhere within the AliasStatement.

A VariableRef that refers-to a LocalVariable may occur anywhere within the AlgorithmScope in which it is defined:

- for a GlobalRule, it may occur anywhere within the body of the GlobalRule, or within the NamedRules contained in the GlobalRule;
- for an Algorithm, it may occur within the body of an Algorithm or within initial-value expressions for other LocalVariables.

A VariableRef that refers to a Parameter may occur anywhere within the body of the Algorithm, or within initial-value expressions for LocalVariables.

A VariableRef that refers to a FunctionResult may occur anywhere within the body of the Algorithm,

The value associated with a VariableRef that refers to a VARVariable (an AliasVariable or a VARParameter) is the current value in the referent of the VARVariable.

The value associated with any other VariableRef is the current value in the Variable to which the VariableRef refers.

Note: See 12.7.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.3.8.1 Supertypes

[Primary](#)

### 12.3.8.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = = self->text;
```

### 12.3.8.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: refers-to

To: [Algorithms::NamedVariable](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the VariableReference and the local Variable to which it refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.3.8.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.4 Indexing

This section describes the EXPRESS operations that select values that are part of, or linked to, Instances. Indexing operations – aggregate indexing, string indexing and binary indexing – extract component values by their numbered positions in the Instance. Selector operations extract values related to entity instances by the name of the component or relationship – attributes, implicit inverse attributes (UsedIn), and attribute-groups.

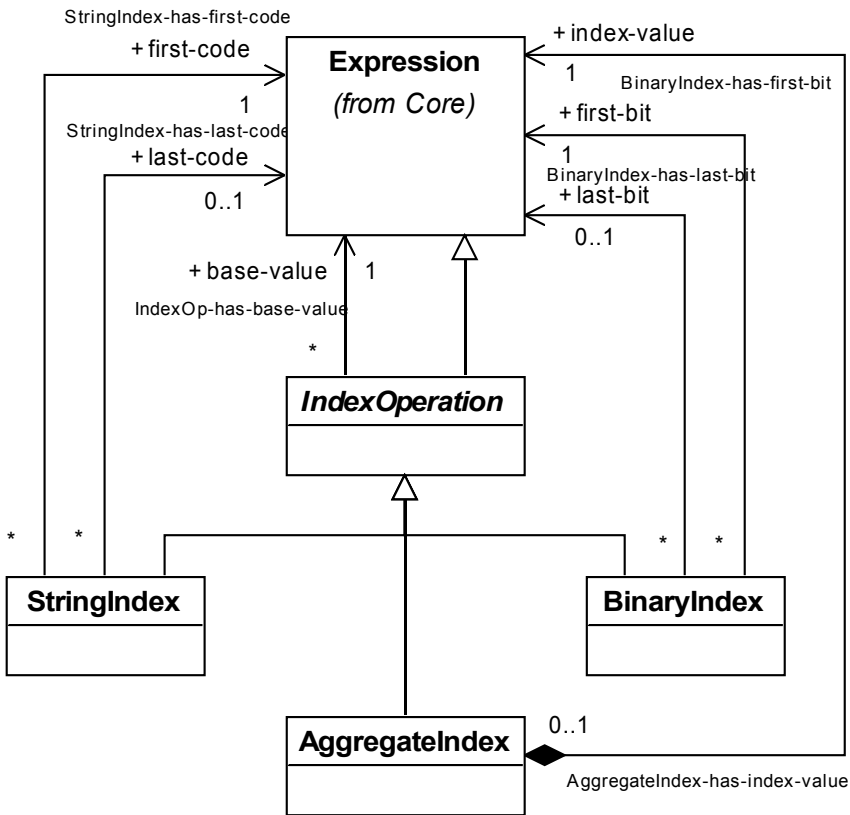


Figure 35 - Indexing Operations

### 12.4.1 Class: AggregateIndex

Definition: an IndexOperation that returns the value of a specified member of a given AggregateValue. .base-value evaluates to the AggregateValue. .index-value evaluates to the "position" of the member to be extracted. The interpretation of the .index-value depends on the kind of AggregateValue (Indexed, Ordered, Unordered).

Note: See 12.6.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.4.1.1 Supertypes

[IndexOperation](#)

### 12.4.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.4.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: index-value** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the (Integer) index value designating the member whose value is to be extracted. The interpretation of the index value depends on the kind of AggregateValue.

Note: See 12.6.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.4.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.4.2 Class: BinaryIndex

Definition: An IndexOperation that returns a substring of one or more bits from a BINARY value. .base-value is the BINARY value. .first-bit designates the position of the first bit to be extracted. .last-bit designates the position of the last bit to be extracted. .last-bit has no value if only one bit is to be extracted.

Note: See clause 12.3.1. of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.4.2.1 Supertypes

[IndexOperation](#)

### 12.4.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.4.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: first-bit** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the (positive integer) value that designates the position of the first bit to be extracted.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: last-bit** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the (positive integer) value that designates the position of the last bit to be extracted. .last-bit has no value if only one bit is to be extracted.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 12.4.2.4 Other Roles

none.

### 12.4.3 Class: StringIndex

Definition: An IndexOperation that returns a substring of one or more characters (codes) from a STRING value. .base-value is the STRING value. .first-code designates the position of the first character (code) to be extracted. .last-code designates the position of the last character (code) to be extracted. .last-code has no value if only one character is to be extracted.

Note: See clause 12.5.1. of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 12.4.3.1 Supertypes

[IndexOperation](#)

#### 12.4.3.2 Attributes

none.

#### 12.4.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: first-code** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the (positive integer) value that designates the position of the first character (code) to be extracted.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: last-code** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the (positive integer) value that designates the position of the last character (code) to be extracted. .last-code has no value if only one character (code) is to be extracted.

Multiplicity: 0..1

#### 12.4.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.5 Selection

This section describes the EXPRESS operations that select values that are part of, or linked to, Instances. Indexing operations – aggregate indexing, string indexing and binary indexing – extract component values by their numbered positions in the Instance. Selector operations extract values related to entity instances by the name of the component or relationship – attributes, implicit inverse attributes (UsedIn), and attribute-groups.

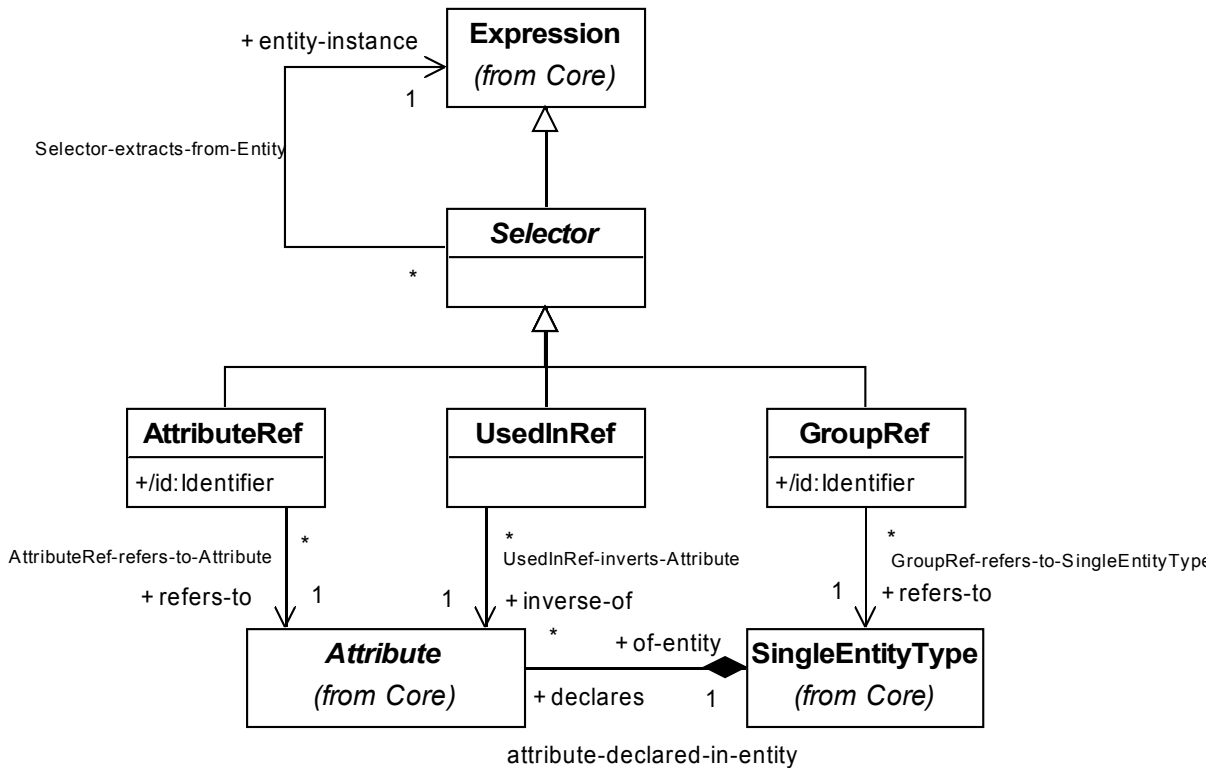


Figure 36 - Attribute and Attribute-Group Selectors

## 12.5.1 Class: AttributeRef

Definition: a Selector expression that returns the value of a given Attribute of a given entity instance

Note: See 12.7.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.5.1.1 Supertypes

[Selector](#)

### 12.5.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** To: [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->text;
```

### 12.5.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to**

**To:** [Core::Attribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the AttributeReference and the Attribute to which it refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.5.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.5.2 Class: GroupRef

Definition: a Selector that returns a PartialEntityValue consisting of the values of the Attributes of a given entity instance that constitute a given SingleEntityType.

Note: See 12.7.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.5.2.1 Supertypes

[Selector](#)

### 12.5.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: Represents the identifier that is the content of the reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = = self->text;
```

### 12.5.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to**

**To:** [Core::SingleEntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the GroupReference and the SingleEntityType (group of Attributes) to which it refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.5.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.5.3 Class: UsedInRef

Definition: a Selector expression that returns the Set of EntityInstances for which the given entity instance is in the range of the specified Attribute. In effect, it returns the value of the corresponding inverse attribute for the given entity instance.

Note: See clause 15.26 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.5.3.1 Supertypes

[Selector](#)

### 12.5.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.5.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** inverse-of                      **To:** [Core::Attribute](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the UsedIn Reference and the Attribute designated by the .id value. The UsedIn Reference effectively produces the "inverse" of this Attribute.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.5.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.6 Operations

This section describes Operations, QueryExpressions and Function Calls. These are grouped together, because the distinction made in EXPRESS is syntactic, while the distinction made in this model is between schema-defined Functions and language-defined "functions" and "operations."

FunctionCalls represent invocations/applications of schema-defined FUNCTIONS. QueryExpressions represent invocations of the special EXPRESS function QUERY. Operations represent all EXPRESS operations represented by symbols or by "built-in functions" whose names are keywords. There is not a one-to-one correspondence between Operations and EXPRESS operation symbols, because some of the symbols are "overloaded," in that they denote different operations for operands of different data types. In addition, Coercion operations (which convert a value from one data type to another) usually do not have EXPRESS syntax, but are required by the interpretation of the expression.

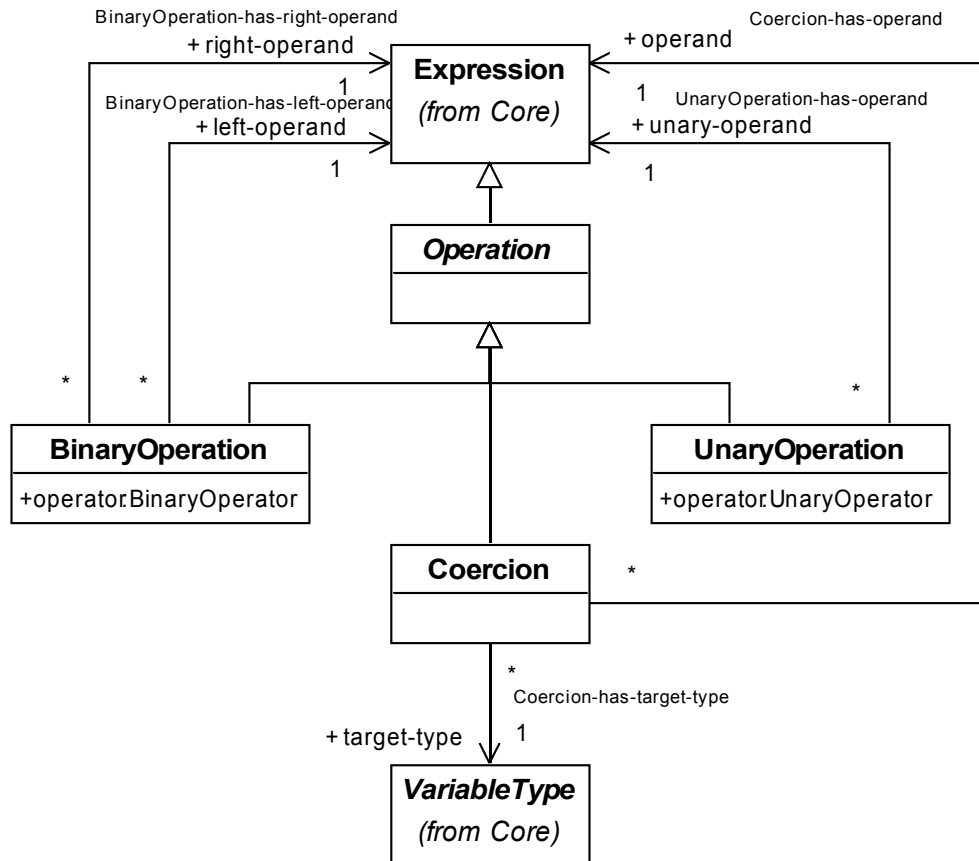


Figure 37 - Operations and Built-in Functions

## 12.6.1 Class: BinaryOperation

Definition: an Operation representing the result of a well-defined mathematical operation or character manipulation on two Expression operands, which are distinguished. An instance of BinaryOperation represents a usage of a value of BinaryOperator with a specific left and right operand.

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.6.1.1 Supertypes

[Operation](#)

### 12.6.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: operator**

**To: [BinaryOperator](#)**

Definition: Represents the conceptual operation that is actually being performed by the BinaryOperation.

Note: See ISO 10303-11.2:2004, clause 12.

Multiplicity: 1..1



### 12.6.1.3 Associations

#### AssociationEnd: left-operand

To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the operand Expression that produces one input to a BinaryOperation, distinguished (if needed) as the "left" operand in the definition of the operation

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

#### AssociationEnd: right-operand

To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the operand Expression that produces one input to a BinaryOperation, distinguished (if needed) as the "right" operand in the definition of the operation.

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.6.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.6.2 Datatype: BinaryOperator

Stereotypes: enumeration

Definition: Conceptual EXPRESS language element representing the interpretation of a binary operation symbol in the context of the operand datatypes. Instances of this class are distinct operations, such as number-addition, set-union, string-compare-equal, etc. Some BinaryOperators are denoted by "built-in functions" in EXPRESS syntax.

Note: See ISO 10303-11.2:2004 clause 12 and some elements of clause 15.

### 12.6.2.1 Supertypes

none.

### 12.6.2.2 Values

#### Value: AND

Definition: Returns true if both operands are true, unknown if both are unknown, and false if either is false.

#### Value: Add

Definition: Returns the arithmetic sum of two NUMBER operands.

#### Value: BagAdd

Definition: Returns the BagValue resulting from adding one to the count of occurrences of the value of the second operand in the first operand, which must be a BagValue.

#### Value: BagRemove

Definition: Returns the BagValue resulting from subtracting one from the count of occurrences of the value of the second operand in the first operand, which must be a BagValue. If the first operand contains no occurrences of the value of the second operand, returns the value of the first operand.

### **Value: BagUnion**

Definition: For two BAG operands with a common member type, returns the BAG value in which the number of occurrences of each value of the member type is the sum of the number of its occurrences in the two operands.

### **Value: BinaryAppend**

Definition: Returns the BinaryValue whose bits are the bits of the value of the first operand, which must be a BinaryValue, in that order, followed by the bits of the value of the second operand, which must be a BinaryValue, in that order.

### **Value: DIV**

Definition: For two INTEGER operands, returns the integral part of the quotient of dividing the value of the first by the value of the second.

### **Value: Difference**

Definition: For two SET operands with a common member type, returns the SET value containing all members of the first operand except for those that are also members of the second operand. For two BAG operands with a common member type, returns the BAG value in which the number of occurrences of each value of the member type is the number of its occurrences in the first operand minus the number of its occurrences in the second operand, but not less than zero.

### **Value: Divide**

Definition: For two NUMBER operands, returns the quotient of dividing the value of the first by the value of the second.

### **Value: EntityConstructor**

Definition: For two operands that are PartialEntityValues, returns the PartialEntityValue that contains all of the SingleEntityValues that were present in either operand. This operation is referred to in EXPRESS as the "complex entity constructor" (||).

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.10

### **Value: EntityValueEqual**

Definition: If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an entity data type, returns false if the value of any attribute of the first operand is NotEqual to (or EntityValueNotEqual to) the value of that attribute of the second operand, else true. If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an aggregation type whose members are entity instances, returns false if the operands are of different sizes, or if for any of the corresponding members of the two operands, the value of any attribute of the member of the first operand is NotEqual to (or EntityValueNotEqual to) the value of that attribute of the member of the second operand, else true. If the common data type is anything else, this operator is equivalent to Equal.

### **Value: EntityValueNotEqual**

Definition: If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an entity data type, returns true if the value of any attribute of the first operand is NotEqual to (or EntityValueNotEqual to) the value of that attribute of the second operand, else false. If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an aggregation type whose members are entity instances, returns true if the operands are of different sizes, or if for any of the corresponding members of the two operands, the value of any attribute of the member of the first operand is NotEqual to (or EntityValueNotEqual to) the value of that attribute of the member of the second operand, else false. If the common data type is anything else, this operator is equivalent to NotEqual.

### **Value: Equal**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are of a common data type and equal in value, as defined for that type, else false. For the definition of "equal in value," see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.1. .

### **Value: Exponent**

Definition: For two NUMBER operands, returns the the value of the first raised to the power specified by the value of the second.

### **Value: Greater**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are of a common data type and the value of the first operand is greater than the value of the second operand, as defined for that type, else false. For the definition of "is greater than," see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.1.

### **Value: IN**

Definition: Returns true if the value of the first operand is Equal to the value of any member of the second operand (which must be an AggregateValue); else false. If the first operand is an EntityInstance, "is Equal to" is interpreted as "is InstanceEqual to."

### **Value: InstanceEqual**

Definition: If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an entity data type, returns true if both operands refer to the same individual, else false. If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an aggregation type whose members are entity instances, returns false if the operands are of different sizes, or if any of the corresponding members of the two operands refer to different individuals, else true. If the common data type is anything else, this operator is equivalent to Equal.

### **Value: InstanceNotEqual**

Definition: If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an entity data type, returns true if the operands refer to distinct individuals, else false. If both operands are of a common data type and that data type is an aggregation type whose members are entity instances, returns true if the operands are of different sizes, or if any of the corresponding members of the two operands refer to different individuals, else false. If the common data type is anything else, this operator is equivalent to NotEqual.

### **Value: Intersection**

Definition: For two SET operands with a common member type, returns the mathematical intersection of the two sets. For two BAG operands with a common member type, returns the BAG value in which the number of occurrences of each value of the member type is the smaller of the number of its occurrences in the two operands.

### **Value: LIKE**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are StringValues and the value of the first operand is a match for the pattern that is the value of the second operand. For the interpretation of the pattern, see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.5.

### **Value: Less**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are of a common data type and the value of the first operand is less than the value of the second operand, as defined for that type, else false. For the definition of "is less than," see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.1.

**Value: ListAddFirst**

Definition: Returns the ListValue whose first member is the value of the second operand and whose subsequent members are the members of the value of the first operand, which must be a ListValue, in that order.

**Value: ListAddLast**

Definition: Returns the ListValue whose members are the members of the value of the first operand, which must be a ListValue, in that order, followed by the value of the second operand.

**Value: ListAppend**

Definition: Returns the ListValue whose members are the members of the value of the first operand, which must be a ListValue, in that order, followed by the members of the value of the second operand, which must be a ListValue, in that order.

**Value: MOD**

Definition: For two INTEGER operands, returns the remainder of dividing the value of the first by the value of the second.

**Value: Multiply**

Definition: Returns the arithmetic product of two NUMBER operands.

**Value: NVL**

Definition: If the value of the first operand is Indeterminate (?), returns the value of the second operand; else returns the value of the first operand.

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 15.18.

**Value: NotEqual**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are of a common data type and unequal in value, as defined for that type, else false. For the definition of "equal in value," see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.1.

**Value: NotGreater**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are of a common data type and the value of the first operand is less than or equal to the value of the second operand, as defined for that type, else false. For the definition of "is less than or equal to," see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.1.

**Value: NotLess**

Definition: Returns true if both operands are of a common data type and the value of the first operand is greater than or equal to the value of the second operand, as defined for that type, else false. For the definition of "is greater than or equal to," see ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 12.2.1.

**Value: OR**

Definition: Returns true if either operand is true, unknown if both are unknown, and false if both are false.

**Value: SetAdd**

Definition: Returns the SetValue that is the union of the value of the first operand, which must be a SetValue, with the SetValue comprising exactly one member equal (or InstanceEqual) to the value of the second operand.

### **Value: SetUnion**

Definition: For two SET operands with a common member type, returns the mathematical union of the two sets.

### **Value: StringAppend**

Definition: Returns the StringValue whose characters are the characters of the value of the first operand, which must be a StringValue, in that order, followed by the characters of the value of the second operand, which must be a StringValue, in that order.

### **Value: Subset**

Definition: Returns true if every member of the value of the first operand (which must be an AggregateValue) is IN the value of the second operand (which must be an AggregateValue); else false.

### **Value: Subtract**

Definition: For two NUMBER operands, returns the result of subtracting the value of the second from the value of the first.

### **Value: ValueIn**

Definition: Returns true if the value of the first operand is Equal to the value of any member of the second operand (which must be an AggregateValue); else false. If the first operand is an EntityInstance, "is Equal to" is interpreted as "is EntityValueEqual to."

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 15.28.

### **Value: XOR**

Definition: Returns true if one operand is true and one is false, unknown if either is unknown, and false otherwise.

## **12.6.3 Class: Coercion**

Definition: an Operation representing the conversion of the operand to a specific data type (InstantiableType). This operation is implicit in a number of EXPRESS expressions, notably:

- in converting between a defined data type and its fundamental type (on which the operations are defined), and
- in converting an EntityValue to an EntityInstance of the corresponding EntityType.

In most cases, the Coercion does not change the "value" of the operand; rather the Coercion maps the value to the corresponding value of the related data type.

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004, and the proposed revision to clause 12.10.

### **12.6.3.1 Supertypes**

[Operation](#)

### **12.6.3.2 Attributes**

None.

### 12.6.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: operand** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the Expression whose result is to be converted to the target-type by the Coercion operation.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: target-type** To: [Core::VariableType](#)

Definition: represents the data type to which the operand of the Coercion is to be converted.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.6.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.6.4 Class: UnaryOperation

Definition: an Operation representing the result of a well-defined mathematical operation on a single Expression operand. A UnaryOperation models a use of a UnaryOperator with a particular operand.

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.6.4.1 Supertypes

[Operation](#)

### 12.6.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute: operator** To: [UnaryOperator](#)

Definition: Represents the conceptual operation that is actually being performed by the UnaryOperation.

Note: See ISO 10303-11.2:2004, clause 12.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.6.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: unary-operand** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the operand Expression that produces the input to a UnaryOperation.

Note: See clause 12 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.6.4.4 Other Roles

None.

## 12.6.5 Datatype: UnaryOperator

Stereotypes: enumeration

Definition: Conceptual EXPRESS language element representing the interpretation of a unary operation symbol in the context of the operand datatype. Instances of this class are distinct operations, such as numeric-negation, boolean-negation, real-square-root, absolute-value, etc. Some UnaryOperators are denoted by "built-in functions" in EXPRESS syntax.

Note: See ISO 10303-11.2:2004 clause 12 and some elements of clause 15.

### 12.6.5.1 Supertypes

none.

### 12.6.5.2 Values

#### Value: ABS

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the magnitude (absolute value) of the value of the operand.

#### Value: ACOS

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical arc cosine of the value of the operand.

#### Value: ASIN

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical arcsine of the value of the operand.

#### Value: ATAN

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical arctangent of the value of the operand.

#### Value: BinaryLength

Definition: For an operand that is a BinaryValue, returns the number of bits in the value.

#### Value: COS

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical cosine of the value of the operand.

#### Value: EXISTS

Definition: Returns false if the operand is Indeterminate (?), else true.

#### Value: EXP

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical exponential function of the value of the operand.

#### Value: HiBound

Definition: For an operand whose data type is an aggregation type, returns the declared upper-bound value for the size of the values, or for an ARRAY, the declared maximum index-value.

#### Value: HiIndex

Definition: For an operand that is an AggregateValue, returns the largest valid index-value for the value.

**Value: Identity**

Definition: Returns the value of the operand.

**Value: LOG**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the Napierian logarithm of the value of the operand.

**Value: LOG10**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the logarithm to the base 10 of the value of the operand, which for an INTEGER value is the number of decimal digit characters required to represent it.

**Value: LOG2**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the logarithm to the base 2 of the value of the operand, which for an INTEGER value is the number of bits required to represent it.

**Value: LoBound**

Definition: For an operand whose data type is an aggregation type, returns the declared lower-bound value for the size of the values, or for an ARRAY, the declared minimum index-value.

**Value: LoIndex**

Definition: For an operand that is an AggregateValue, returns the smallest valid index-value for the value.

**Value: NOT**

Definition: For an operand that is a LogicalValue, returns true if the value is false, unknown if the value is unknown, and false if the value is true.

**Value: Negate**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the additive inverse of the value of the operand.

**Value: ODD**

Definition: For an operand that is an INTEGERValue, returns false if the value is exactly divisible by 2 and true otherwise.

**Value: RolesOf**

Definition: For an EntityInstance operand, returns a set of RoleName values representing all the distinct Attributes (RangeRoles) which the operand plays in the Population.

**Value: SIN**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical sine of the value of the operand.

**Value: SQRT**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical square root of the value of the operand, or Indeterminate if it is negative.

**Value: SizeOf**

Definition: For an operand that is an AggregateValue, returns the number of members in the value.



**Value: StringLength**

Definition: For an operand that is a StringValue, returns the number of characters in the value.

**Value: TAN**

Definition: For a NUMBER operand, returns the mathematical tangent of the value of the operand.

**Value: TypeOf**

Definition: Returns a Set of TypeName values representing the data types of which the operand is an instance.

**Value: VALUE**

Definition: For a STRING operand, returns the NUMBER value resulting from interpreting the operand as the representation of a numeric value, or Indeterminate, if no such interpretation can be made.

**Value: ValueUnique**

Definition: For an operand that is an AggregateValue, returns true if no two members of the operand are Equal or EntityValueEqual.

## 12.7 Function Calls

This section describes Operations, QueryExpressions and Function Calls. These are grouped together, because the distinction made in EXPRESS is syntactic, while the distinction made in this model is between schema-defined Functions and language-defined "functions" and "operations."

FunctionCalls represent invocations/applications of schema-defined FUNCTIONS. QueryExpressions represent invocations of the special EXPRESS function QUERY. Operations represent all EXPRESS operations represented by symbols or by "built-in functions" whose names are keywords. There is not a one-to-one correspondence between Operations and EXPRESS operation symbols, because some of the symbols are "overloaded," in that they denote different operations for operands of different data types. In addition, Coercion operations (which convert a value from one data type to another) usually do not have EXPRESS syntax, but are required by the interpretation of the expression.

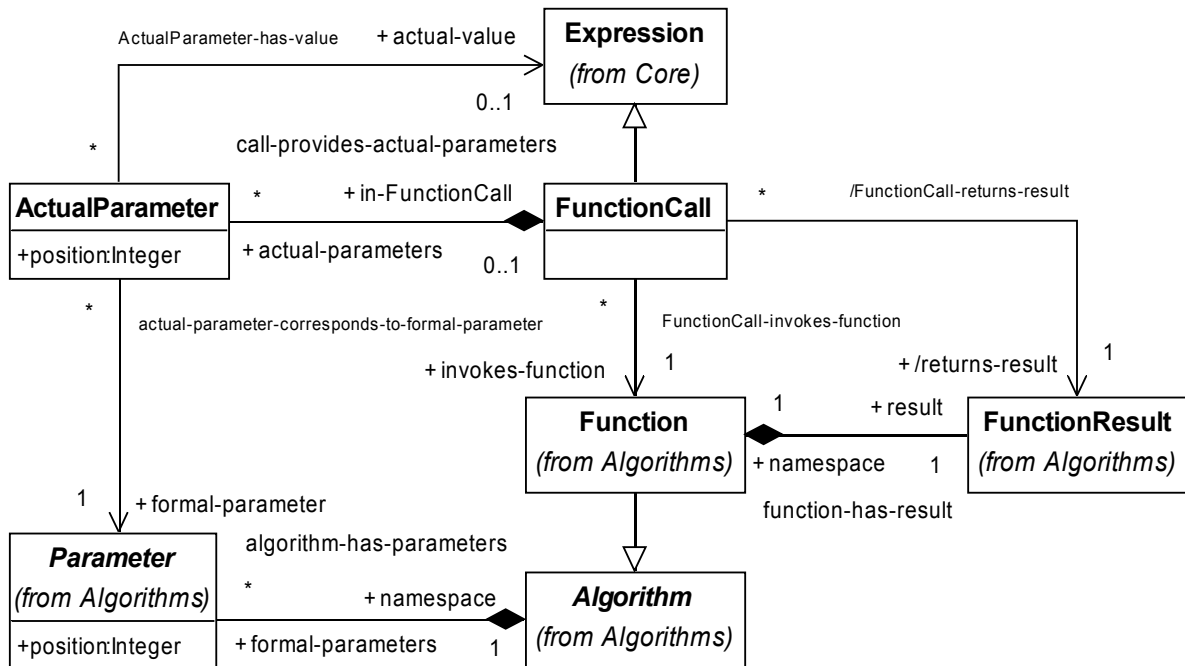


Figure 38 - Function Calls

## 12.7.1 Class: ActualParameter

Definition: represents the substitution of the actual parameter instance for the formal parameter and, where required, the substitution of the data type of the actual parameter for the GeneralizedType of the formal parameter and any derivatives. When the corresponding formal Parameter is an InParameter (always in a FunctionCall), the actual-value is present – either an instance of an InstantiableType or Indeterminate. When the corresponding formal Parameter is a VARParameter (only in a ProcedureCall), the actual-value is not present, the actual-reference is present instead.

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.7.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 12.7.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position**

**To: [MOF::Integer](#)**

Definition: represents the position in which the ActualParameter occurs in the sequence associated with the FunctionCall (used to associate the ActualParameter with a formal parameter).

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.7.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: actual-referent**                      **To: [Statements::VARExpression](#)**

Definition: the VARExpression that denotes the referent object to be associated with the formal (VAR) Parameter during the invocation.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: actual-value**                      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: the Expression that specifies the value to be passed for the ActualParameter. When the corresponding formal Parameter is an InParameter (always in a FunctionCall), the actual-value is present. When the corresponding formal Parameter is a VARParameter (only in a ProcedureCall), the actual-value is not present.

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: formal-parameter**                      **To: [Algorithms::Parameter](#)**

Definition: represents the formal parameter to which the ParameterBinding applies.

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: in-FunctionCall**                      **To: [FunctionCall](#)**

via: [call-provides-actual-parameters](#)

Definition: the FunctionCall, if any, that contains the ActualParameter.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: in-ProcedureCall**                      **To: [Statements::ProcedureCall](#)**

via: [Statements::procedure-call-provides-actual-parameters](#)

Definition: the ProcedureCall, if any, in which the ActualParameter appears.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 12.7.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.7.2 Class: FunctionCall

Definition: an Expression that represents the instance resulting from the invocation of a Function with zero or more Expression operands called "actual parameters."

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.7.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

### 12.7.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.7.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: actual-parameters** To: [ActualParameter](#)

via: [call-provides-actual-parameters](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a FunctionCall and the specifications for the values of its actual parameters.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: invokes-function** To: [Algorithms::Function](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the FunctionCall and the formal definition of the Function invoked.

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: returns-result** To: [Algorithms::FunctionResult](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the FunctionCall and the formal definition of the FunctionResult, which describes the instance that results from the FunctionCall.

Note: See 12.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = self->invokes-function->result
```

### 12.7.2.4 Other Roles

none.

### 12.7.2.5 Rules

#### Constraint

```
exists(self->actual-value) XOR exists(self->actual-referent);  
An ActualParameter is either a value (expression) or a reference (expression)
```

#### Constraint

```
exists(self->inFunctionCall) XOR exists(self->inProcedureCall);  
Every ActualParameter appears in either a FunctionCall or a ProcedureCall
```

#### Constraint

```
IF self->formal-parameter->inout THEN exists(self->actual-referent);  
If the corresponding formal-parameter is an VAR parameter, the ActualParameter must be a Reference; if the formal parameter is an InParameter, it must be a value..
```

## Constraint

```
IF NOT (self->formal-parameter->inout) THEN exists(self->actual-value);
```

### 12.7.3 Association: call-provides-actual-parameters

Definition: represents the relationship between a FunctionCall and the specifications for the values of its actual parameters.

#### 12.7.3.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: actual-parameters** To: [ActualParameter](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between a FunctionCall and the specifications for the values of its actual parameters.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: in-FunctionCall** To: [FunctionCall](#)

Definition: the FunctionCall, if any, that contains the ActualParameter.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 12.8 Query Expressions

This section describes the QueryExpression. depicts the concepts.

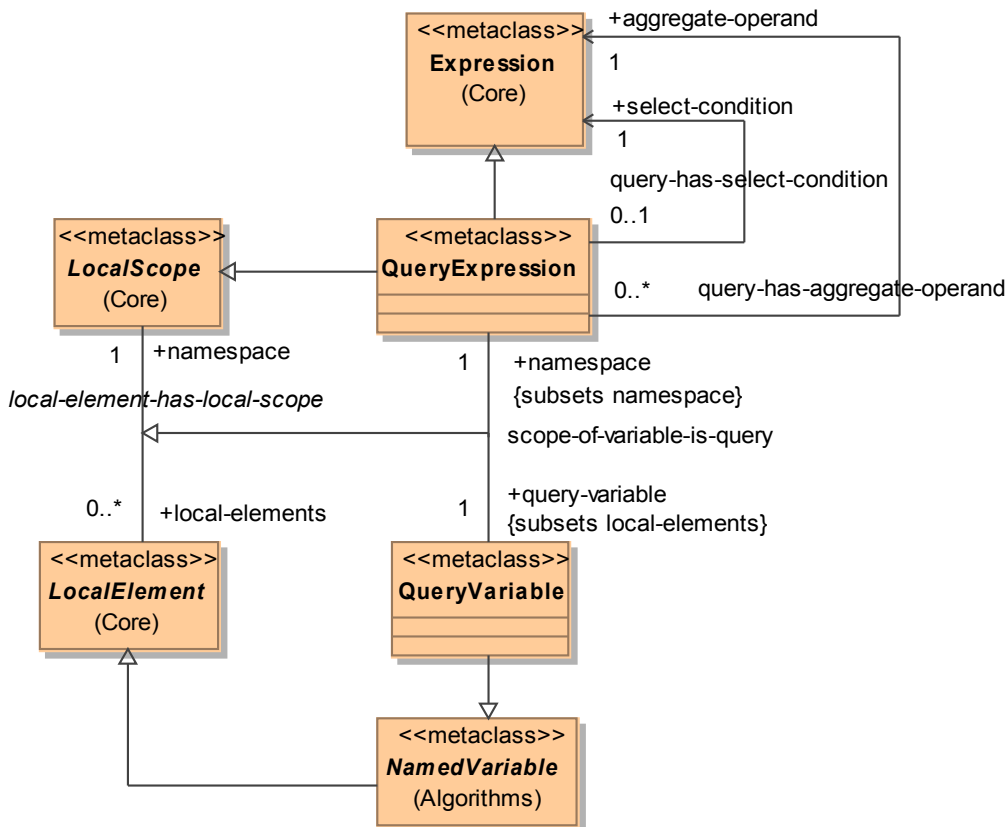


Figure 39 - Query Expressions

## 12.8.1 Class: QueryExpression

Definition: an Expression representing the (aggregate) instance that results from extracting from the value of the aggregate-operand (an Expression yielding an aggregate value) the corresponding collection of member instances that satisfy a given select-condition. Every QueryExpression is also the LocalScope for the QueryVariable that designates members of the aggregate value in the select-condition.

Note: See 12.6.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.8.1.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#), [Core::LocalScope](#)

### 12.8.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.8.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: aggregate-operand**      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: represents the operand Expression whose result is the aggregate value from which members will be extracted by the Query operation.

Note: See 12.6.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: query-variable**      **To: [QueryVariable](#)**

via: [scope-of-variable-is-query](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: the QueryVariable associated with the QueryExpression. The QueryVariable ranges over the member elements of the aggregate-operand.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: select-condition**      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Query expression and the Logical Expression that defines admissibility of members in the Query result. This Expression is treated as a kind of "function definition" having a single Parameter which is the Query variable. The .select-condition "function" is invoked once for each member value of the .aggregate-value.

Note: See Clause 12.6.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004. The Expression that formulates the select-condition is owned by the QueryExpression. It is not treated as reusable.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.8.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.8.2 Class: QueryVariable

Definition: a Variable that ranges over the member elements of the aggregate-operand in evaluating a the QueryExpression. The scope of a QueryVariable is the QueryExpression, that is, all references to it occur in the select-

condition of the QueryExpression. The data-type of a QueryVariable is implicitly the data type of the member-element of the aggregate operand.

Note: See 12.6.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.8.2.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::NamedVariable](#), [Algorithms::Variable](#)

### 12.8.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 12.8.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: namespace**                      **To: [QueryExpression](#)**

via: [scope-of-variable-is-query](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the QueryExpression in which the QueryVariable is defined.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.8.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.8.3 Association: scope-of-variable-is-query

Definition: represents the (1-to-1) relationship between the QueryVariable and the QueryExpression in which it is defined.

### 12.8.3.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

### 12.8.3.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: namespace**                      **To: [QueryExpression](#)**

Definition: the QueryExpression in which the QueryVariable is defined.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: query-variable**                      **To: [QueryVariable](#)**

Definition: the QueryVariable associated with the QueryExpression. The QueryVariable ranges over the member elements of the aggregate-operand.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 12.9 Aggregate Initializers

This section describes the EXPRESS operations that construct AggregateValues from component values.

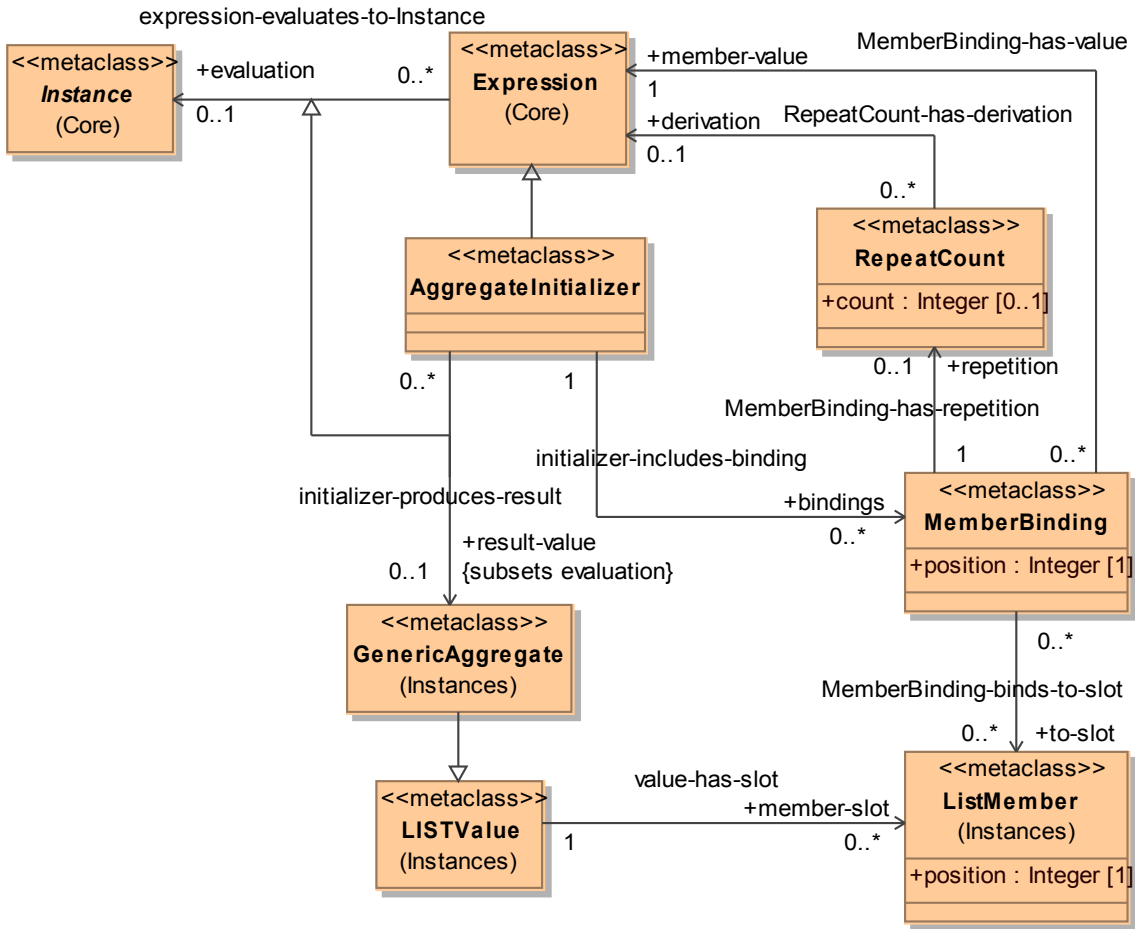


Figure 40 - Aggregate Initializers

## 12.9.1 Class: AggregateInitializer

Definition: represents the EXPRESS "aggregate initializer." It produces a value of type AGGREGATE OF GENERIC, by binding a sequence of member values to positions in the generic aggregate value.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.9.1.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

### 12.9.1.2 Attributes

None.



### 12.9.1.3 Associations

#### AssociationEnd: bindings

To: [MemberBinding](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the AggregateInitializer and the set of MemberBindings it comprises.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

#### AssociationEnd: result-value

To: [Instances::GenericAggregate](#)

Definition: represents the aggregate value that results from the aggregate initializer. This is a refinement of Expression.evaluation.

If the AggregateInitializer expression can be evaluated without regard to any actual population ("compile time"), this value shall be present, but not otherwise.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

Properties: derived

#### TaggedValues

```
derivation = = self->evaluation;
```

### 12.9.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 12.9.2 Class: MemberBinding

Definition: represents the placement of a member value in a particular position in the GenericAggregate value resulting from the aggregate initializer. Unless the member value has a repetition count, the member binding associates the .member-value with one .to-slot ListMember in the GenericAggregate. If the member value has a repetition count (that is not a literal "1"), the MemberBinding associates the .member-value with one or more consecutive ListMembers in the GenericAggregate. If the member value has a repetition count that cannot be evaluated without a given population (i.e., at "compile time"), the relationship between the MemberBinding and ListMembers is not specified. When the AggregateInitializer contains any MemberBinding with such a repetition, the relationship between subsequent MemberBindings and ListMembers cannot be determined without a given population.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.9.2.1 Supertypes

none.

### 12.9.2.2 Attributes

#### Attribute: position

To: [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: Represents the ordinal position of the MemberBinding specification in the AggregateInitializer. When no MemberBinding in the AggregateInitializer has a represented .repetition value, MemberBinding.position and .to-slot.position will coincide. Otherwise, the relationship between the two .position values will depend on the .repetition values, and may not be determinable without a given Population.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.9.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: member-value** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the member value to be assigned to the MemberBinding position in the aggregate value, as the result of the Expression.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: repetition** To: [RepeatCount](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the MemberBinding and an associated RepeatCount, if any. If the repetition count for the .member-value is implicitly 1, or explicitly a literal "1," this relationship shall not appear. In all other cases, this relationship shall appear.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: to-slot** To: [Instances::ListMember](#)

Definition: represents the slot in the GenericAggregate value to which the MemberBinding assigns the member-value. ListMember.position is used to identify the slot. A MemberBinding with a repetition count can assign the same value to more than one slot. Each time the AggregateInitializer (expression) is evaluated, the resulting GenericAggregate can be different, and the ListMember is a part of that result. If the (entire) AggregateInitializer expression can be evaluated without regard to any actual population ("compile time"), this relationship and the ListMember shall be present, but not otherwise.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 12.9.2.4 Other Roles

**From: [AggregateInitializer](#) as bindings**

## 12.9.3 Class: RepeatCount

Definition: A specification for repeating a given initial value into n consecutive ListMember slots, where n is the .count value. The repetition value is specified by the .derivation expression. If that expression is, or evaluates to, a constant (without regard to a Population), the value of .count is that constant.

Note: See 12.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.9.3.1 Supertypes

none.

### 12.9.3.2 Attributes

**Attribute: count** To: (none)

Definition: The number of actual ListMembers that are to be filled with the member-value. If the .derivation expression evaluates to a constant, without regard to population, .count has a value; otherwise not.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 12.9.3.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: derivation

To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the RepeatCount and the Expression that denotes the value of the RepeatCount. This relationship shall be present whenever the specification for the RepeatCount is not an integer literal.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 12.9.3.4 Other Roles

From: [MemberBinding](#) as repetition

## 12.10 Partial Entity Constructors

This section describes the EXPRESS operations that construct PartialEntityValues from component values.

Note: The so-called "entity constructor" is a binary operation (See 12.6.2 Value: EntityConstructor) that produces PartialEntityValues from other PartialEntityValues. The actual operation that produces entity instances is a special case of Coercion (see 12.6.3).

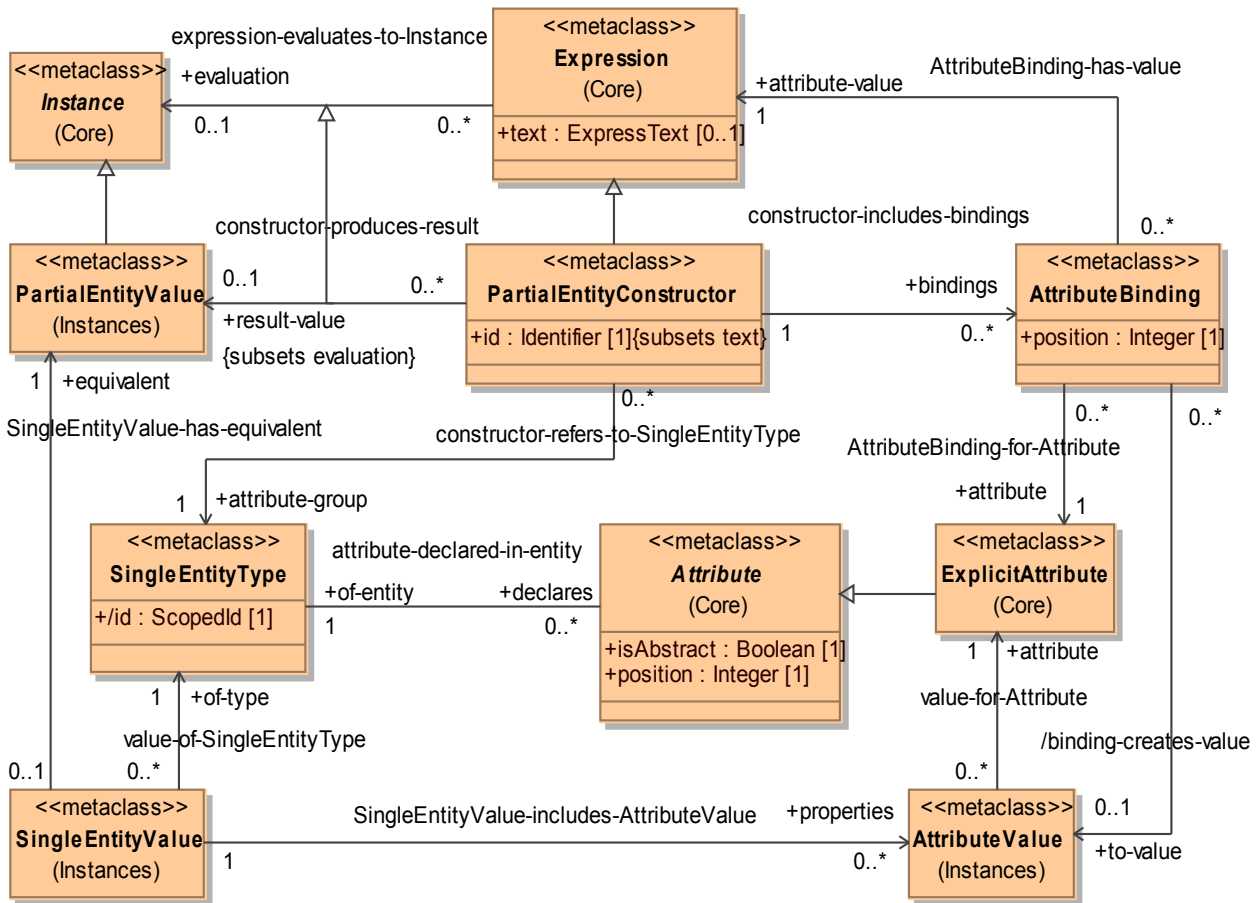


Figure 41 - Partial Entity Value Constructors

## 12.10.1 Class: AttributeBinding

Definition: represents the assignment of a specific value to one Attribute in the group that comprises the PartialEntityType.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 12.10.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 12.10.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: position** **To:** [MOF::Integer](#)

Definition: represents the position of the AttributeBinding in the constructor (and thus the association with the explicit attribute).

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.10.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: attribute** **To:** [Core::ExplicitAttribute](#)

Definition: represents the explicit attribute to which the AttributeBinding assigns a value. Position is used to identify the attribute.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: attribute-value** **To:** [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: represents the value to be assigned to the explicit attribute by the AttributeBinding, as the result of the Expression.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 12.10.1.4 Other Roles

**From:** [PartialEntityConstructor](#) as bindings

## 12.10.2 Class: PartialEntityConstructor

Definition: represents the EXPRESS "partial entity constructor" named for a "single entity data type." It takes one actual parameter (AttributeBinding) for each ExplicitAttribute in the group of Attributes identified by the SingleEntityType, and binds the values to the ExplicitAttributes in order of their occurrence in the entity\_declaration. The result is a PartialEntityValue of the partial entity data type that consists of exactly that one single entity data type.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004 (revised by TC#1).

### 12.10.2.1 Supertypes

[Core::Expression](#)

## 12.10.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Definition: Represents the identifier for the PartialEntityConstructor, which is the identifier for the SingleEntityType to which it refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = = self->text;
```

## 12.10.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: attribute-group**

**To:** [Core::SingleEntityType](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the PartialEntityConstructor and the SingleEntityType that defines it, i.e., the list of explicit attributes..

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: bindings**

**To:** [AttributeBinding](#)

Definition: represents the relationship between the PartialEntityConstructor and the set of AttributeBindings it comprises.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: result-value**

**To:** [Instances::PartialEntityValue](#)

Definition: represents the instance that results from the partial entity constructor. This is a refinement of Expression.evaluation.

If the expression can be evaluated without regard to any actual population ("compile time"), this value shall be present, but not otherwise.

Note: See 9.2.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Multiplicity: 0..1

Properties: derived

**TaggedValues**

```
derivation = = self->evaluation;
```

## 12.10.2.4 Other Roles

none.

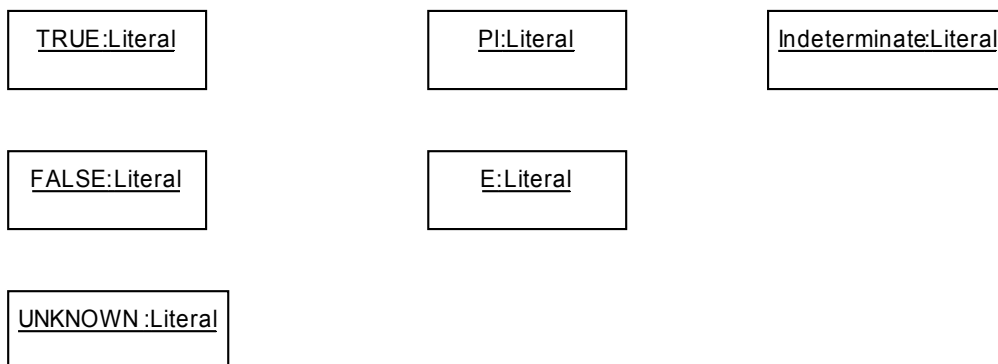
## 12.11 Instance Package: BuiltInConstants

This Package represents the set of "built-in constants" of the EXPRESS language. They are here modeled as individual objects that are instances of the class Literal.

Note: See clause 14 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: All of these are instances of Literal, rather than Constant, because their syntactic designation is an EXPRESS keyword, not an identifier.

Note: SELF is not included in this Package, because it is a variable, not a constant.



**Figure 42 - Built-in Constants**

## 12.11.1 Dependencies

**Dependency on Class:** [Expressions::Literal](#)

Stereotypes: *instantiates*

This Package provides base individuals that are always instances of class Literal.

## 12.11.2 Instance: E

Type: [Expressions::Literal](#)

Definition: Represents the REAL value that is the image of 1 under the Napierian exponential function.

Note: See clause 14.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## 12.11.3 Instance: FALSE

Type: [Expressions::Literal](#)

Definition: Represents the LOGICAL value that is the evaluation of a proposition whose negation is asserted.

Note: See clause 14.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## 12.11.4 Instance: PI

Type: [Expressions::Literal](#)

Definition: Represents the REAL value that is the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter.

Note: See clause 14.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## 12.11.5 Instance: TRUE

Type: [Expressions::Literal](#)

Definition: Represents the LOGICAL value that is the evaluation of a proposition that is asserted.

Note: See clause 14.6 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## **12.11.6 Instance: UNKNOWN**

Type: [Expressions::Literal](#)

Definition: Represents the LOGICAL value that is the evaluation of an Expression that involves Indeterminate values. (UNKNOWN is a specialization of the Indeterminate value that is treated only as a value of data type LOGICAL.)

Note: See clause 14.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

## 13 Package: Statements

The Statements Package contains the detailed modeling concepts for the Statements in the EXPRESS language. The basic Statement model in the Algorithms Package is permitted to be a syntactic string. This package provides the elements that support the operational semantics of each kind of Statement.

The Statements Package depends on the Expressions Package. It is a requirement for the Statements compliance point that a complete semantic model of Expressions be supported.

### 13.1 Dependencies

#### Dependency on Package: [Core](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Statements Package depends on the Core Package for the basic Expression concept and for the LocalScope and LocalElement concepts.

#### Dependency on Package: [Algorithms](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Statements Package depends on the Algorithms Package for the basic Statement concept, the Variable concept, and the Procedure concept.

#### Dependency on Package: [Expressions](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Statements Package depends on the Expression Package for ActualParameter, and in most implementations, for the detailed semantic models of Expressions.

### 13.2 Overview of Statements

This section provides the overview of all of the EXPRESS Statement types. They are depicted in 13.2.

The concept StatementBlock and ControlStatement are described in detail in this section. Each of the other statement types is described in its own section.



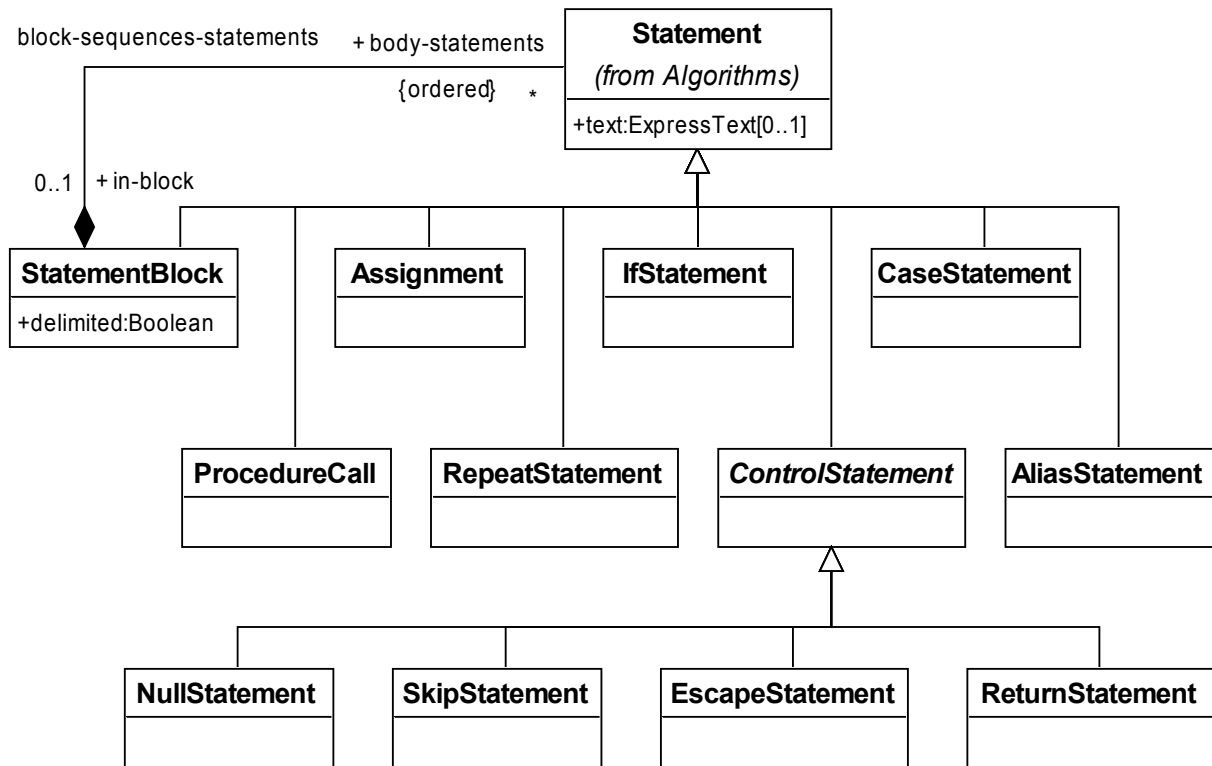


Figure 43 - Statements

## 13.2.1 Class: Algorithms::Statement

Definition: An EXPRESS Statement, a directive to perform a certain set of operations.

Note: See Clause 13 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

Note: Even though Statement is technically an abstract classifier, it is represented by direct instances with text representations when the Statements compliance point is not supported.

Note: The class Statement, and all its properties, is specified in the Algorithms Package, which provides the primary use of Statements. This entry serves only to define the Statement class in context and provide a link to its specification in 10.2.7.

## 13.2.2 Class: ControlStatement

Definition: an abstract class representing EXPRESS statements whose action is "transfer of control", i.e., a change in the sequence of execution.. This class was introduced primarily to simplify the metamodel diagram.

Properties: abstract

### 13.2.2.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.2.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.2.2.3 Associations

none.

### 13.2.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.2.3 Class: NullStatement

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS Null statement. A NullStatement is just a syntactic placeholder, made necessary by grammar rules that require the presence of at least 1 statement. It has the semantics: Take no action. It is modeled here, solely to permit reconstruction of the Express Text.

Note: See Clause 13.1 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.2.3.1 Supertypes

[ControlStatement](#)

### 13.2.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.2.3.3 Associations

none.

### 13.2.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.2.4 Class: StatementBlock

Definition: represents a sequence of Statements to be executed in the given order.

In EXPRESS syntax, a number of constructs contain a statement or sequence of statements, and a "compound statement" is a statement that begins with BEGIN and ends with END and contains a sequence of statements. All such sequences have the semantics of the StatementBlock. The BEGIN/END case is here modeled as .delimited = True.

Note: See Clause 13.5 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.2.4.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.2.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute: delimited**

**To: [MOF::Boolean](#)**

Definition: Is true if the StatementBlock was delimited by BEGIN and END tokens, false if it is implicit in the body of some other Statement.

Note: The sole purpose of this attribute is to be able to reconstruct the source EXPRESS text properly.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.2.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: body-statements**      **To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)**

via: [block-sequences-statements](#)

Definition: represents the relationship of a StatementBlock to the Statements of which the sequence consists.

Note: Every EXPRESS syntax whose semantics is a StatementBlock requires the body to consist of at least 1 statement, but it may consist solely of a Null statement. This model permits the body to be (semantically) empty – the single Null statement need not be modeled. Even the EXPRESS text reconstruction is clear without the existence of a NullStatement in this case.

Multiplicity: 0..\* ordered

### 13.2.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.2.5 Association: block-sequences-statements

Definition: represents the relationship of a StatementBlock to the Statements of which the sequence consists.

### 13.2.5.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: body-statements**      **To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship of a StatementBlock to the Statements of which the sequence consists.

Note: Every EXPRESS syntax whose semantics is a StatementBlock requires the body to consist of at least 1 statement, but it may consist solely of a Null statement. This model permits the body to be (semantically) empty – the single Null statement need not be modeled. Even the EXPRESS text reconstruction is clear without the existence of a NullStatement in this case.

Multiplicity: 0..\* ordered

**AssociationEnd: in-block**      **To: [StatementBlock](#)**

Definition: represents the relationship between a Statement and the StatementBlock, if any, in which it occurs.

Note: Every Statement that is not a StatementBlock occurs in a StatementBlock. StatementBlocks may, but need not, occur directly in other StatementBlocks.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 13.3 ALIAS Statements

This section describes the ALIAS statement. 13.3 depicts the associated concepts.

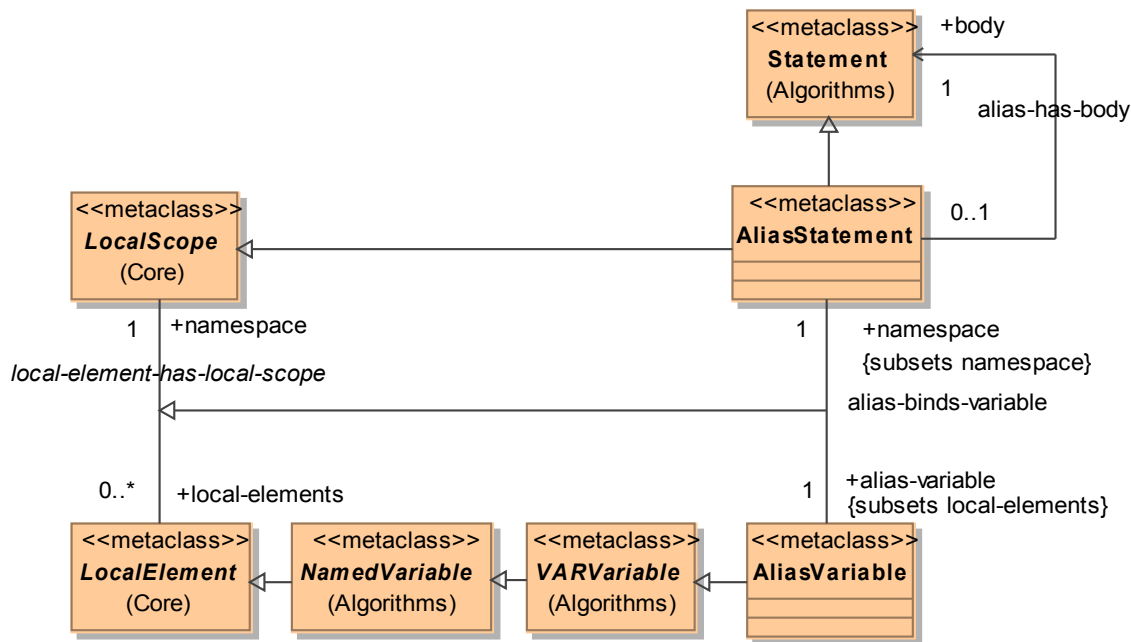


Figure 44 - ALIAS Statements

### 13.3.1 Class: AliasStatement

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS ALIAS statement. An ALIAS statement introduces a NamedVariable (the alias-variable) to represent the result of a VARExpression (the referent). But the AliasVariable is not a Variable, and the semantics is not assignment; it is rather creation of a VARVariable that is persistently associated with the Variable specified by the VARExpression, over changes in value of that Variable. Within the body of the ALIAS statement, any assignment to the AliasVariable assigns the value to the referent Variable, and any VariableRef that refers to the AliasVariable refers to the current value of that Variable.

Note: See Clause 13.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 13.3.1.1 Supertypes

[Core::LocalScope](#), [Algorithms::Statement](#)

#### 13.3.1.2 Attributes

none.

#### 13.3.1.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: **alias-variable** To: [AliasVariable](#)

via: [alias-binds-variable](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: the Variable that is introduced by the AliasStatement and bound to a Reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: body**

**To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)**

Definition: the Statement (or StatementBlock) specifying the action to be taken by the AliasStatement.

Note: The AliasStatement has the effect of "fixing" the referent of the alias-variable, in the case in which the Statement is a StatementBlock that includes actions that alter the values of elements of the VARExpression.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.3.1.4 Other Roles

none.

### 13.3.1.5 Rules

#### Constraint (OCL)

```
self->alias-variable->namespace = self;
```

## 13.3.2 Class: AliasVariable

Definition: a NamedVariable that is created by an ALIAS statement, and whose scope is the body of the ALIAS statement. An Alias Variable is a VARVariable: it does not hold an Instance; it refers to (a part of) a Variable that holds an Instance. The referent of the AliasVariable is specified by the value of the VARExpression assigned to it by the ALIAS statement.

Note: See Clause 13.2 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.3.2.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::VARVariable](#)

### 13.3.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.3.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: namespace**

**To: [AliasStatement](#)**

via: [alias-binds-variable](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the AliasStatement that is the scope of the AliasVariable.

Properties: Composite.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: referent**

**To: [VARExpression](#)**

Definition: the VARExpression that specifies the referent of the AliasVariable – the (member or component of the) Variable to which the AliasVariable refers during execution of the body of the ALIAS statement.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.3.2.4 Other Roles

none.

### 13.3.3 Association: alias-binds-variable

Definition: represents the relationship between the AliasStatement and the AliasVariable it defines.

#### 13.3.3.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

#### 13.3.3.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: alias-variable** To: [AliasVariable](#)

Definition: the Variable that is introduced by the AliasStatement and bound to a Reference.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [AliasStatement](#)

Definition: the AliasStatement that is the scope of the AliasVariable.

Properties: Composite.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 13.4 Assignment Statements

This section describes assignment statements. 13.3 depicts the associated concepts.

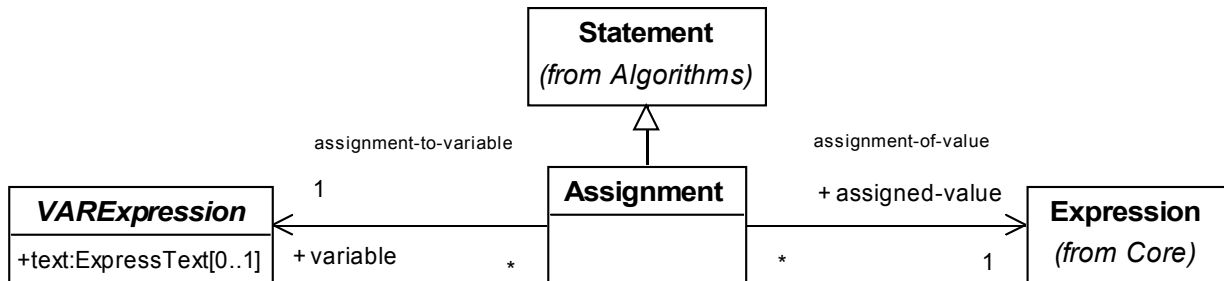


Figure 45 - Assignment Statements

### 13.4.1 Class: Assignment

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS assignment statement. An Assignment causes the value of the Variable that is specified by the .variable VARExpression to become equal to the result of the .assigned-value Expression.

Note: See Clause 13.3 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

#### 13.4.1.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.4.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.4.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: assigned-value** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: the Expression whose result is the value to be assigned.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: variable** To: [VARExpression](#)

Definition: the VARExpression that designates the object whose value is to be replaced.

Note: The VARExpression must not refer to an object that is part of the state of an EntityInstance in the Population. It may, however, refer to an object that holds (a reference to) an EntityInstance, or to an object (other than an EntityInstance) that holds an EntityValue.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.4.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.5 CASE Statements

This section describes CASE statements. 13.5 depicts the associated concepts.

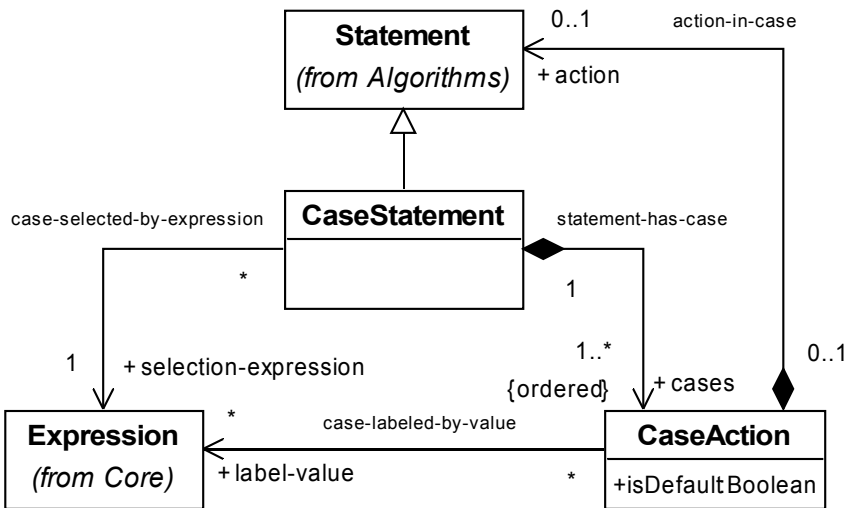


Figure 46 - CASE Statements

### 13.5.1 Class: CaseAction

Definition: represents a possible action to be taken, together with the .label-values that identify the case and enable it to be selected. Among the cases for a given CaseStatement, one CaseAction may be designated the "default" action, which is taken if no other action meets the selection criteria.

### 13.5.1.1 Supertypes

none.

### 13.5.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** `isDefault`

**To:** [MOF::Boolean](#)

Definition: True if this CaseAction represents the default action to be taken if no other case label matches the value of the selection-expression; otherwise False.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.5.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** `action`

**To:** [Algorithms::Statement](#)

Definition: the Statement (or StatementBlock) that defines the actions, if any, to be executed if that case is selected.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd:** `label-value`

**To:** [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: an Expression whose result is a case label. When the value of the .selection-expression matches the value of the Expression (which is often a Literal), the associated CaseAction defines the action to be taken by the CaseStatement.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

### 13.5.1.4 Other Roles

**From:** [CaseStatement](#) as cases

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.5.1.5 Rules

#### Constraint labels-unless-default (OCL)

```
if NOT (self->isDefault) THEN SizeOf(self->label-value) > 0;
```

Only the default CaseAction can have no label-values.

#### Constraint one-default (EXPRESS)

```
SizeOf(Query(c <* self.cases : c.isDefault)) <= 1;
```

At most 1 CaseAction in the list of cases for a given CaseStatement can have .isDefault = True.

## 13.5.2 Class: CaseStatement

Definition: represents an EXPRESS CASE statement. The CASE statement selects and executes a single CaseAction (from the list of CaseActions), based on the value of a selection-expression. The .cases are considered in order, and the first CaseAction whose label-value matches the value of the .selection-expression is the action that is taken. If no CaseAction has a label-value that matches the value of the .selection-expression, the CaseAction for which .isDefault is true, if any, is taken; otherwise, no action is taken.

Note: See Clause 13.4 of ISO 10303-11:2004.



### 13.5.2.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.5.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.5.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: cases** To: [CaseAction](#)

Definition: represents the possible actions to be taken, in order of consideration, each labeled by one or more values.

Multiplicity: 1..\* ordered

**AssociationEnd: selection-expression** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: the Expression that is used to choose the CaseAction to be taken

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.5.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.6 IF Statements

This section describes IF...THEN...ELSE statements. 13.6 depicts the associated concepts.

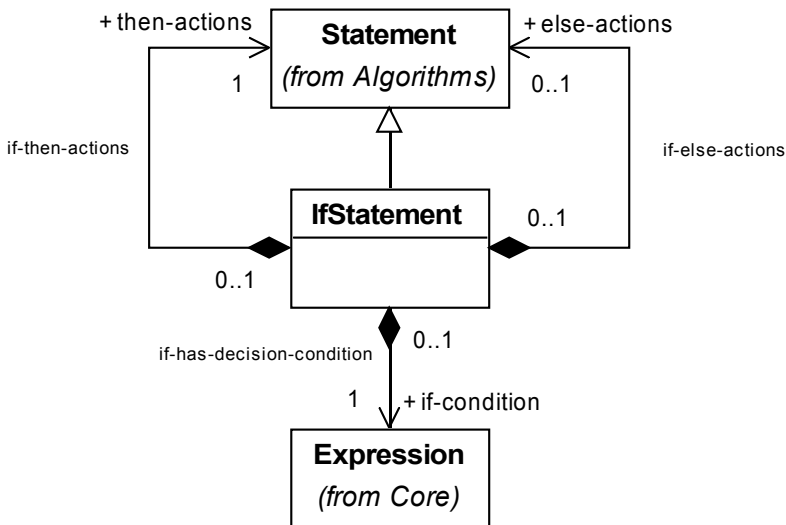


Figure 47 - IF Statements

### 13.6.1 Class: IfStatement

Definition: represents an EXPRESS IF...THEN...ELSE statement.

Note: See Clause 13.7 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.6.1.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.6.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.6.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: else-actions**                      **To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)**

Definition: the Statement (or StatementBlock) specifying the actions to be taken when the condition is False.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: if-condition**                      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: an Expression that defines the condition used to determine whether to perform the "then-actions" or the "else-actions."

Note: The if-condition is wholly owned by the IfStatement. It is not treated as reusable.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: then-actions**                      **To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)**

Definition: the Statement (or StatementBlock) specifying the actions to be taken when the condition is True.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.6.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.7 Procedure Calls

This section describes procedure call statements. 13.7 depicts the associated concepts.

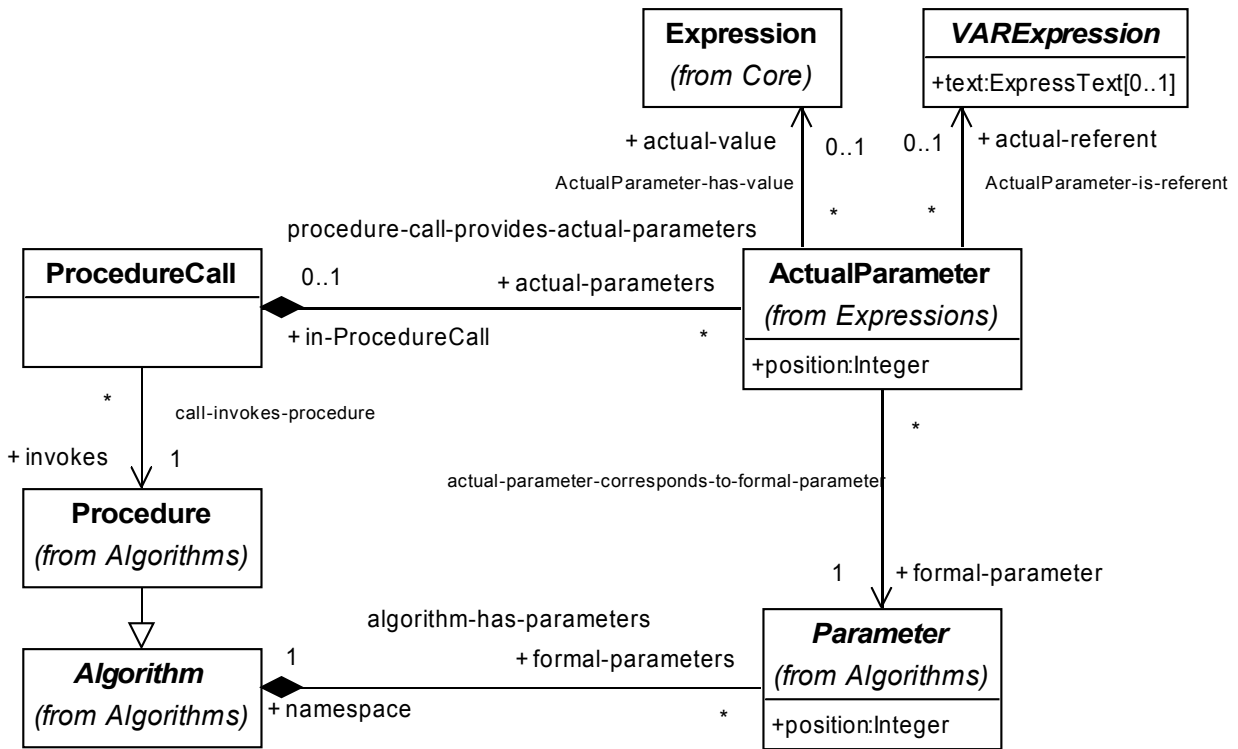


Figure 48 - Procedure Calls

## 13.7.1 Class: ProcedureCall

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS procedure call statement. A procedure call causes an instance of a defined Procedure to be created, and the actual parameter values to be passed to the corresponding formal parameters. The .actual-value Expression corresponding to each InParameter is evaluated and the result is copied into the corresponding InVariable. Each VARParameter is set to refer to the Variable that is the result of the VARExpression that appears as the corresponding actual parameter. Then the declared LocalVariables are instantiated, according to their declared types (which may be ActualTypes), with initial values if specified. Finally, the StatementBlock that is the algorithm body is executed.

Note: See Clause 13.8 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.7.1.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.7.1.2 Attributes

None.

### 13.7.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: actual-parameters**      **To:** [Expressions::ActualParameter](#)

via: [procedure-call-provides-actual-parameters](#)

Definition: the ActualParameters to be passed at the time of invocation.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: invokes**      **To:** [Algorithms::Procedure](#)

Definition: the Procedure that is invoked by the ProcedureCall.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.7.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.7.2 Association: procedure-call-provides-actual-parameters

Definition: represents the relationship between the ProcedureCall statement and the ActualParameters to be passed at the time of invocation.

### 13.7.2.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: actual-parameters**      **To:** [Expressions::ActualParameter](#)

Definition: the ActualParameters to be passed at the time of invocation.

Multiplicity: 0..\* unordered

**AssociationEnd: in-ProcedureCall**      **To:** [ProcedureCall](#)

Definition: the ProcedureCall, if any, in which the ActualParameter appears.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 13.8 REPEAT Statements

This section describes REPEAT statements, and the associated ESCAPE and SKIP statements. 13.8 depicts the associated concepts.

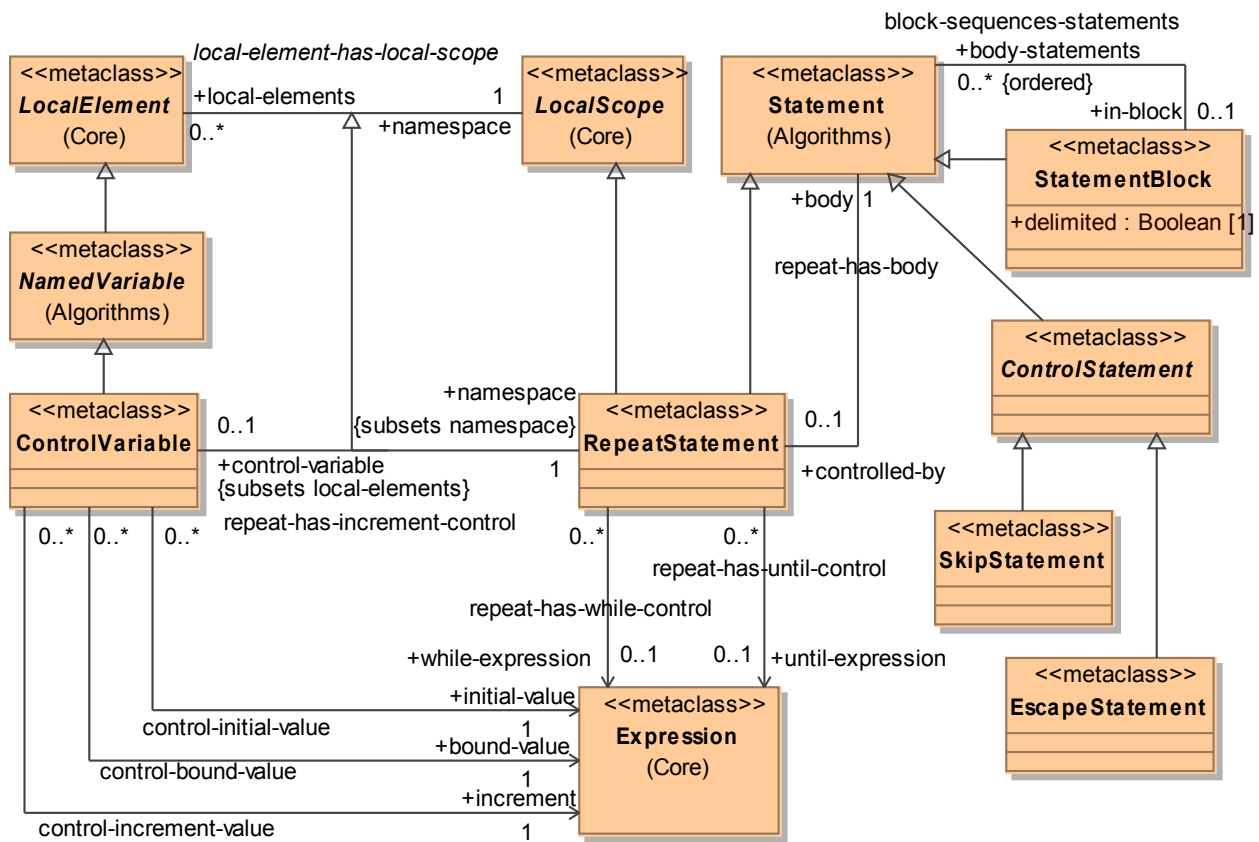


Figure 49 - REPEAT, SKIP and ESCAPE Statements

### 13.8.1 Class: ControlVariable

Definition: the specification for the control variable, if any, for the Repeat statement. If the REPEAT statement has an "increment control", it introduces the control variable, whose scope is the RepeatStatement, and specifies the initial value for the control variable, a bound-value, and the increment value.

Note: In EXPRESS, the initial value, increment value and bound value are properties of the "increment control". Here the "increment control" properties are assigned to the ControlVariable. See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 13.9.1.

#### 13.8.1.1 Supertypes

[Algorithms::NamedVariable](#)

#### 13.8.1.2 Attributes

None.

### 13.8.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: bound-value** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: the Expression whose value, taken together with the initial-value, specifies the bounds of a set of real numbers. Iteration of the repeated-body of the RepeatStatement terminates when the value of the control-variable lies outside that set.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: increment** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: the Expression whose value is added to the value of the control-variable at the end of each iteration.

Multiplicity: 1..1

Note: When the EXPRESS syntax does not specify an increment value, the Expression is a Literal referring to the Integer value 1. See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 13.9.1.

**AssociationEnd: initial-value** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: the Expression that specifies the value to be assigned to the control-variable before the first iteration.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [RepeatStatement](#)

via: [repeat-has-increment-control](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalElement.namespace](#)

Definition: the RepeatStatement whose execution is controlled by the IncrementControl.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.8.1.4 Other Roles

none.

### 13.8.1.5 Rules

#### Constraint

```
self->control-variable->namespace = self->for-loop;
```

## 13.8.2 Class: EscapeStatement

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS ESCAPE statement. An ESCAPE statement is always contained within the body of a RepeatStatement. Execution of an ESCAPE statement results in terminating the repetition of the repeated-body and continuing the control flow with the statement following the RepeatStatement,.

Note: See Clause 13.11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.8.2.1 Supertypes

[ControlStatement](#)

### 13.8.2.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.8.2.3 Associations

none.

### 13.8.2.4 Other Roles

none.

### 13.8.2.5 Rules

#### Constraint

```
exists(self->in-block->controlled-by);
```

An EscapeStatement shall only appear in the repeated-body of a RepeatStatement.

## 13.8.3 Class: RepeatStatement

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS REPEAT statement. The RepeatStatement defines an iteration. The execution of the repeated-body occurs zero or more times depending on the associated controls, which may be any combination of

- a increment-control (see ControlVariable)
- a while-expression
- an until-expression

If no control is specified, the iteration continues until an EscapeStatement is executed.

Note: See Clause 13.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.8.3.1 Supertypes

[Core::LocalScope](#), [Algorithms::Statement](#)

### 13.8.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.8.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** body

**To:** [Algorithms::Statement](#)

via: [repeat-has-body](#)

Definition: the Statement that specifies the actions to be iterated. When the EXPRESS text for the body includes multiple statements, the body Statement is a StatementBlock.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd:** control-variable

**To:** [ControlVariable](#)

via: [repeat-has-increment-control](#)

Subsets: [Core::LocalScope.local-elements](#)

Definition: the specification for the increment control, if any. The increment control defines a control variable, its initial and final values, and the value by which it is incremented on each iteration.

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 13.9.1.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: until-expression**      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: the Boolean Expression that specifies a condition for terminating the iteration. If the value returned by the while-expression is True, the iteration is terminated.

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 13.9.3.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: while-expression**      **To: [Core::Expression](#)**

Definition: the Boolean Expression that specifies the condition for reiterating the repeated-body. If the value returned by the while-expression is False, the iteration is terminated.

Note: See ISO 10303-11:2004 clause 13.9.2.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### **13.8.3.4 Other Roles**

none.

## **13.8.4 Class: SkipStatement**

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS SKIP statement. A SKIP statement is always contained within the body of a RepeatStatement. Execution of a SKIP statement results in continuing the control flow with the "increment and test" operations of the RepeatStatement, skipping any intervening actions.

Note: See Clause 13.11 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### **13.8.4.1 Supertypes**

[ControlStatement](#)

### **13.8.4.2 Attributes**

none.

### **13.8.4.3 Associations**

none.

### **13.8.4.4 Other Roles**

none.

### **13.8.4.5 Rules**

#### **Constraint**

```
exists(self->in-block->controlled-by);
```

A SkipStatement shall only appear in the repeated-body of a RepeatStatement.



## 13.8.5 Association: repeat-has-body

Definition: represents the relationship between a RepeatStatement and the Statement (or StatementBlock) that specifies the actions to be iterated.

### 13.8.5.1 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: body** To: [Algorithms::Statement](#)

Definition: the Statement that specifies the actions to be iterated. When the EXPRESS text for the body includes multiple statements, the body Statement is a StatementBlock.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: controlled-by** To: [RepeatStatement](#)

Definition: the RepeatStatement that controls the iterated execution of the actions of the Statement.

Multiplicity: 0..1

## 13.8.6 Association: repeat-has-increment-control

Definition: represents the relationship between the RepeatStatement and its IncrementControl, if any.

### 13.8.6.1 Supertypes

[Core::local-element-has-local-scope](#)

### 13.8.6.2 Association Ends

**AssociationEnd: control-variable** To: [ControlVariable](#)

Definition: the specification for the control variable, if any, and its initial and final values.

Multiplicity: 0..1

**AssociationEnd: namespace** To: [RepeatStatement](#)

Definition: the RepeatStatement whose execution is controlled by the IncrementControl.

Multiplicity: 1..1

## 13.9 RETURN Statements

This section describes RETURN statements. 13.9 depicts the associated concepts.

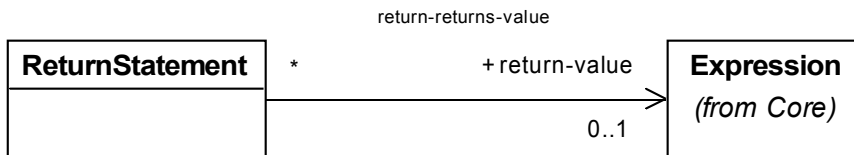


Figure 50 - RETURN Statements

## 13.9.1 Class: ReturnStatement

Definition: Represents an EXPRESS RETURN statement. A RETURN statement terminates the execution of a ProcedureCall or FunctionCall. In the case of a FunctionCall, the RepeatStatement may also specify the value that is to be the actual result of the FunctionCall.

Note: See Clause 13.9 of ISO 10303-11:2004.

### 13.9.1.1 Supertypes

[ControlStatement](#)

### 13.9.1.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.9.1.3 Associations

AssociationEnd: return-value

To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: An Expression that specifies the value to be returned as the Function result. If this is not provided on a Return from a FunctionCall, the value of the FunctionResult variable is returned.

Multiplicity: 0..1

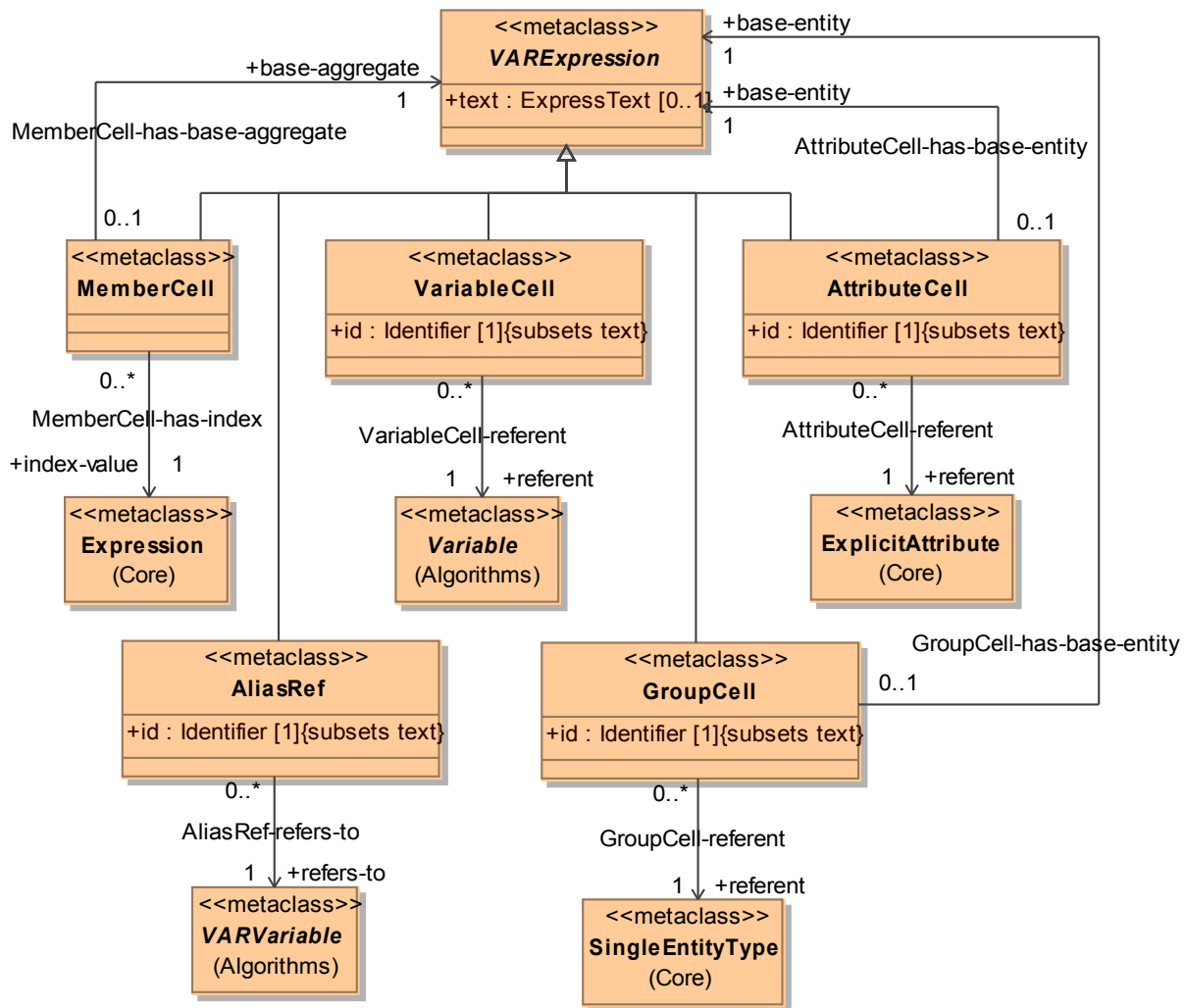
### 13.9.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.10 VAR Expressions

This section defines the concepts associated with references to (what ISO 10303-11 calls) "variables" that may change in value during the execution of an invocation of an Algorithm or the evaluation of a GlobalRule. In general, such "variables" may be simple Variables, or more complex expressions denoting a part of a Variable. The general form of a "variable," therefore, is modeled as a VAR Expression – an Expression that refers to an object that contains a value.

13.10 depicts the concepts associated with VAR Expressions.



**Figure 51 - VAR Expressions**

VAR Expressions appear in assignment statements, in ALIAS statements and as ActualParameters that correspond to formal parameters that are VARParameters (which are permitted only in Procedure definitions).

Note: Primary Expressions, Index Expressions and Selector Expressions are similar in structure (and use the same syntax in EXPRESS), but they refer to the Instance that is the current value of the "variable" – the value currently held by that object. A VARExpression formally refers to the object (place) that holds an Instance, rather than to the Instance it contains. That is, for example, the meaning of the VariableRef is different from the meaning of the VariableCell, even though the EXPRESS syntax is the same. Because the meanings are different, they have different metamodels.

Note: A VAR Expression can never refer to an Instance in the modeled population. Instances in the Population cannot be created or modified by an EXPRESS Schema. For this reason, EXPRESS restricts the syntax for VAR Expressions to beginning with a parameter\_ref or a variable\_ref. This is reflected in the model.

### 13.10.1 Class: AttributeCell

Definition: A VARExpression whose referent is an "attribute object" containing the value of one ExplicitAttribute in an EntityValue.

The `.referent` attribute of the `AttributeCell` identifies the `ExplicitAttribute` that characterizes the attribute object. The referent of the `.base-entity` VARExpression must be an object that holds an `EntityValue` that has a "slot" for that `ExplicitAttribute`. That object/slot in the referent of the `base-entity` is the referent of the `AttributeCell` VARExpression.

Note: An `EntityInstance` in the `Population` is considered to be an object that holds an `EntityValue`. And therefore, an `EntityInstance` can be the referent of the `base-entity`. But it is not possible to change the value of an `Attribute` of an `EntityInstance` in the `Population`.

Note: An "entity-valued object" -- a `Variable`, `Attribute`, or aggregation member whose data type is an `EntityType` (or a `SelectType` whose `select-list` contains `EntityTypes`) -- may contain `EntityInstances` from the `Population`, or contain `EntityValues` that correspond to the `EntityType`, without reference to `Instances` in the `Population`. When the `base-entity` of an `AttributeCell` is an entity-valued object, it is not always clear whether it contains an `EntityInstance`, which is then the referent, or an `EntityValue`, which makes the entity-valued object the referent.

### 13.10.1.1 Supertypes

[VARExpression](#)

### 13.10.1.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** **To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Subsets: `VARExpression.text`

Definition: the lexical text of the identifier for the `Attribute`

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.1.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: base-entity** **To: [VARExpression](#)**

Definition: the `Expression` that identifies the object that contains the `EntityValue` that contains an object representing the `ExplicitAttribute` that is the referent of the `AttributeCell`.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: referent** **To: [Core::ExplicitAttribute](#)**

Definition: the `ExplicitAttribute` that designates the slot that is the referent of the `AttributeCell`.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.1.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.10.2 Class: GroupCell

Definition: A `VARExpression` whose referent is the group of objects/slots for the `ExplicitAttributes` that constitute a `SingleEntityType` in an object that holds an `EntityValue`.

The `.referent` attribute of the `GroupCell` identifies the `SingleEntityType` that characterizes the attribute group. The referent of the `.base-entity` VARExpression must be an object that holds an `EntityValue` that has "slots" for the `ExplicitAttributes` constituting that `SingleEntityType`. Those slots in the referent of the `base-entity` constitute the referent of the `GroupCell` VARExpression.

Note: An EntityInstance in the Population is considered to be an object that holds an EntityValue. And therefore, an EntityInstance can be the referent of the base-entity. But it is not possible to change the value of an Attribute of an EntityInstance in the Population.

Note: An “entity-valued object” -- a Variable, Attribute, or aggregation member whose data type is an EntityType (or a SelectType whose select-list contains EntityTypes) -- may contain EntityInstances from the Population, or contain EntityValues that correspond to the EntityType, without reference to Instances in the Population. When the base-entity of an GroupCell is an entity-valued object, it is not always clear whether it contains an EntityInstance, which is then the referent, or an EntityValue, which makes the entity-valued object the referent.

### 13.10.2.1 Supertypes

[VARExpression](#)

### 13.10.2.2 Attributes

**Attribute:** id

**To:** [Core::Identifier](#)

Subsets: VARExpression.text

Definition: the lexical text of the identifier for the SingleEntityType

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.2.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd:** base-entity

**To:** [VARExpression](#)

Definition: the Expression that identifies the object that contains the EntityInstance or EntityValue that contains a collection of ExplicitAttribute objects representing the SingleEntityType to which the GroupCell refers.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd:** referent

**To:** [Core::SingleEntityType](#)

Definition: the SingleEntityType that designates the group of ExplicitAttribute slots that constitute the referent of the GroupCell.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.2.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.10.3 Class: MemberCell

Definition: A VARExpression that represents a reference to a member (object) of an object whose datatype is an aggregation data type. The aggregate object is the referent of the `.base-aggregate` VARExpression. The referent of the MemberCell VARExpression is the member object that is designated by the index or position value that is the result of the `.index-value` Expression.

### 13.10.3.1 Supertypes

[VARExpression](#)

### 13.10.3.2 Attributes

none.

### 13.10.3.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: base-aggregate** To: [VARExpression](#)

Definition: the Expression that identifies the aggregate object in which the referenced member object appears.

Multiplicity: 1..1

**AssociationEnd: index-value** To: [Core::Expression](#)

Definition: the index or position value used to identify the member object within the aggregate object.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.3.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.10.4 Class: AliasRef

Definition: A VARExpression consisting only of the identifier for a VARVariable, i.e. an AliasVariable, or a VARParameter. The referent of the AliasRef VARExpression is the referent of the VARVariable designated by the `.refers-to` relationship.

### 13.10.4.1 Supertypes

[VARExpression](#)

### 13.10.4.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id** To: [Core::Identifier](#)

Subsets: VARExpression.text

Definition: the lexical text of the identifier for the Parameter or the AliasVariable

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.4.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: refers-to** To: [Algorithms::VARVariable](#)

Definition: the formal InParameter that is the referent object, or the formal VARParameter whose referent is the referent object.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.4.4 Other Roles

none.

## 13.10.5 Class: VARExpression

Definition: an Expression that refers to an object that contains a value. Unlike Primary Expressions, Index Expressions and Selector Expressions, which are similar in structure, a VARExpression formally refers to the object (place) that holds an Instance, rather than the Instance itself. The object to which a VARExpression refers is called its *referent*. Every referent object has a data type, but the type of the VARExpression that refers to it is "reference to object with" that data type. The referent object can be:

- a LocalVariable
- an InParameter or FunctionResult
- a member of an AggregationType that is, or is part of, the content model of another object
- an ExplicitAttribute of an EntityType that is the content model of another object
- a SingleEntityType that is part of the content model of another object
- an ExplicitAttribute of an EntityInstance that is the value of another object
- a SingleEntityType that represents a set of ExplicitAttributes of an EntityInstance that is the value of another object.
- the object that is the referent of an AliasVariable or a VARParameter.

Properties: abstract

### 13.10.5.1 Supertypes

none.

### 13.10.5.2 Attributes

**Attribute: text**

**To: [Core::ExpressText](#)**

Definition: the lexical representation of the VARExpression.

Multiplicity: 0..1

### 13.10.5.3 Associations

none.

### 13.10.5.4 Other Roles

**From: [Expressions::ActualParameter](#) as actual-referent**

**From: [Assignment](#) as recipient**

**From: [MemberCell](#) as base-aggregate**

**From: [AttributeCell](#) as base-entity**

**From: [GroupCell](#) as base-entity**

**From: [AliasVariable](#) as referent**

## 13.10.6 Class: VariableCell

Definition: A VARExpression that consists only of the identifier for a Variable. The referent of the VariableCell VARExpression is the object that instantiates that Variable (as distinct from the value of that Variable). The Variable is designated by the `.referent` relationship.

Note: A VARExpression that consists of the identifier for an AliasVariable or a VARParameter is an AliasRef, not a VariableCell. A VariableCell differs from a VariableRef in that it refers to the place, not the value.

### 13.10.6.1 Supertypes

[VARExpression](#)

### 13.10.6.2 Attributes

**Attribute: id**

**To: [Core::Identifier](#)**

Subsets: VARExpression.text

Definition: the lexical text of the identifier for the NamedVariable

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.6.3 Associations

**AssociationEnd: referent**

**To: [Algorithms::Variable](#)**

Definition: the Variable whose instantiation is the referent object of the VariableCell VARExpression.

Multiplicity: 1..1

### 13.10.6.4 Other Roles

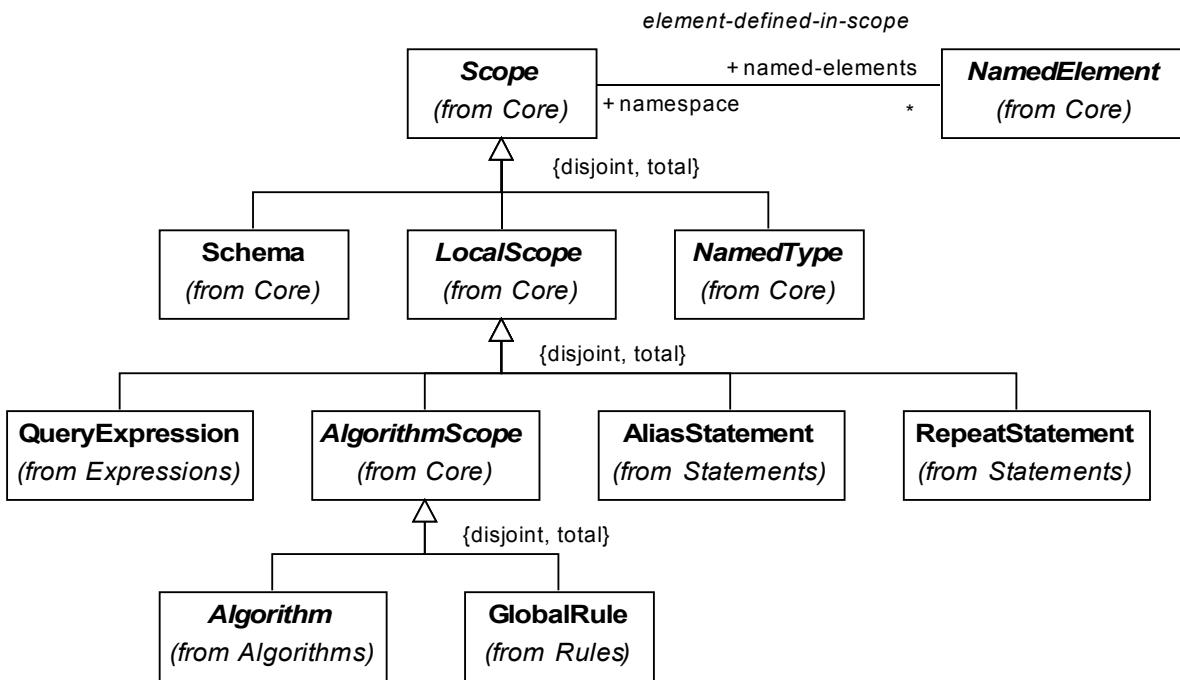
none.



# 14 Package: Express2

The Express2 Package has no immediate content. It simply combines the Rules Package with the full Statements Package, and thus contains all of the model elements for the language.

14 shows the complete view of the scope concepts in EXPRESS version 2. Note that the LocalScopes arise only when the Algorithms, Rules, Expressions and Statements Packages are supported.



**Figure 52 - Integrated Overview of Scopes**

In a similar way, 14 depicts the complete view of the NamedElement concepts in EXPRESS version 2, which are drawn from several packages.

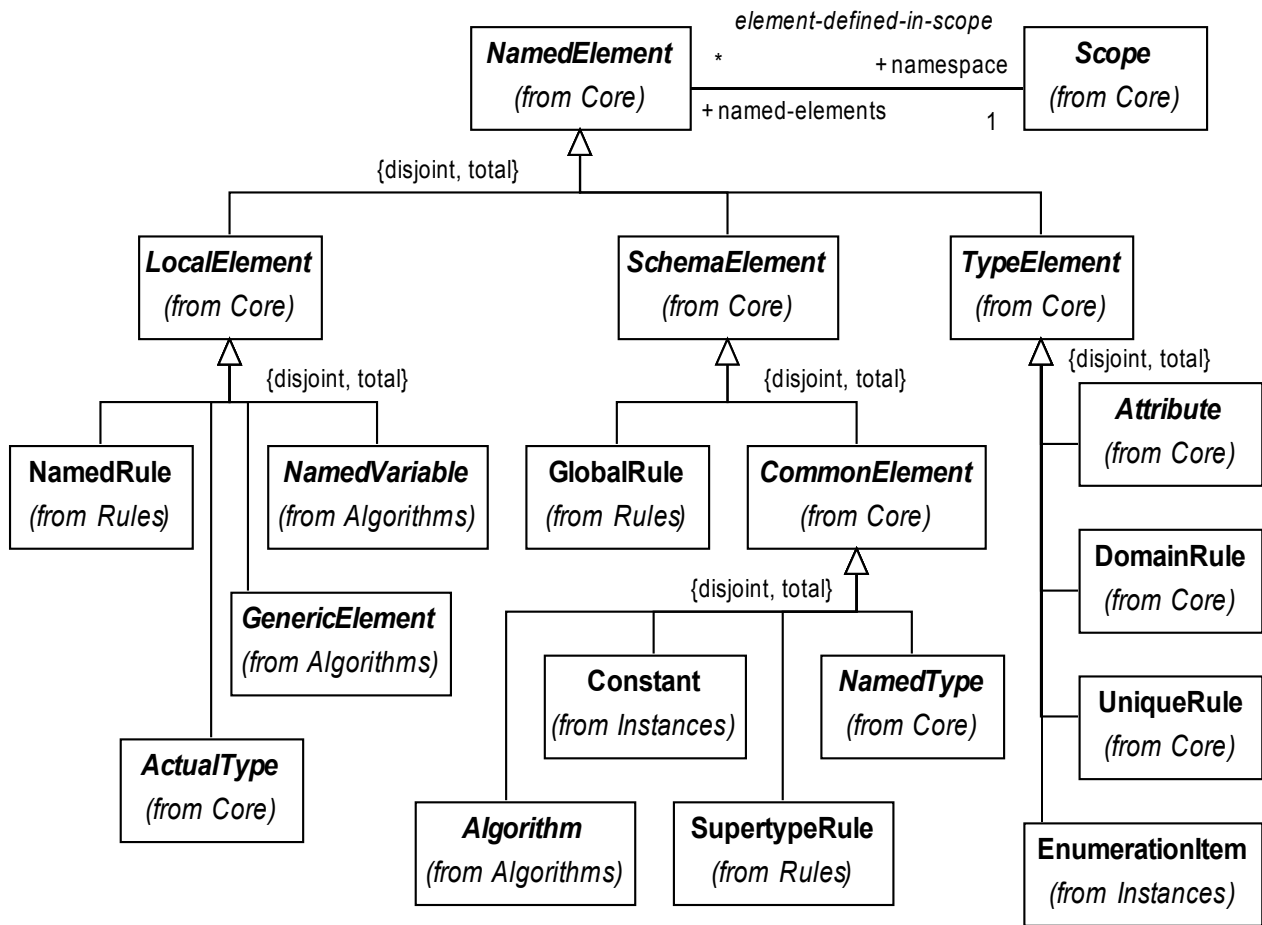


Figure 53 - Overview of Named Elements

## 14.1 Dependencies

### Dependency on Package: [Statements](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Express2 Package depends on the Statements Package for complete modeling of EXPRESS Functions and Procedures. By way of the Statements Package, Express2 implicitly depends on the Expressions Package, for complete modeling of Expressions and thereby on the Algorithms, Core and Instances Packages.

### Dependency on Package: [Rules](#)

Stereotypes: `import`

The Express2 Package depends on the Rules Package in order to complete the support of all elements of the EXPRESS language. The Rules Package is the only package that is not required for the support of the Statements compliance point.

## 14.2 Classes and Associations

None.