

# Modeling the Car Sequencing Problem

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# Requirements

- cars can be configured with various *options*
  - ◆ indicated by the *car type*
  - ◆ for each car type, there is a *demand* of cars.
- *capacity constraints:*
  - ◆ at most  $M$  out of a sequence of  $N$  cars may have option  $i$

## ***goal:***

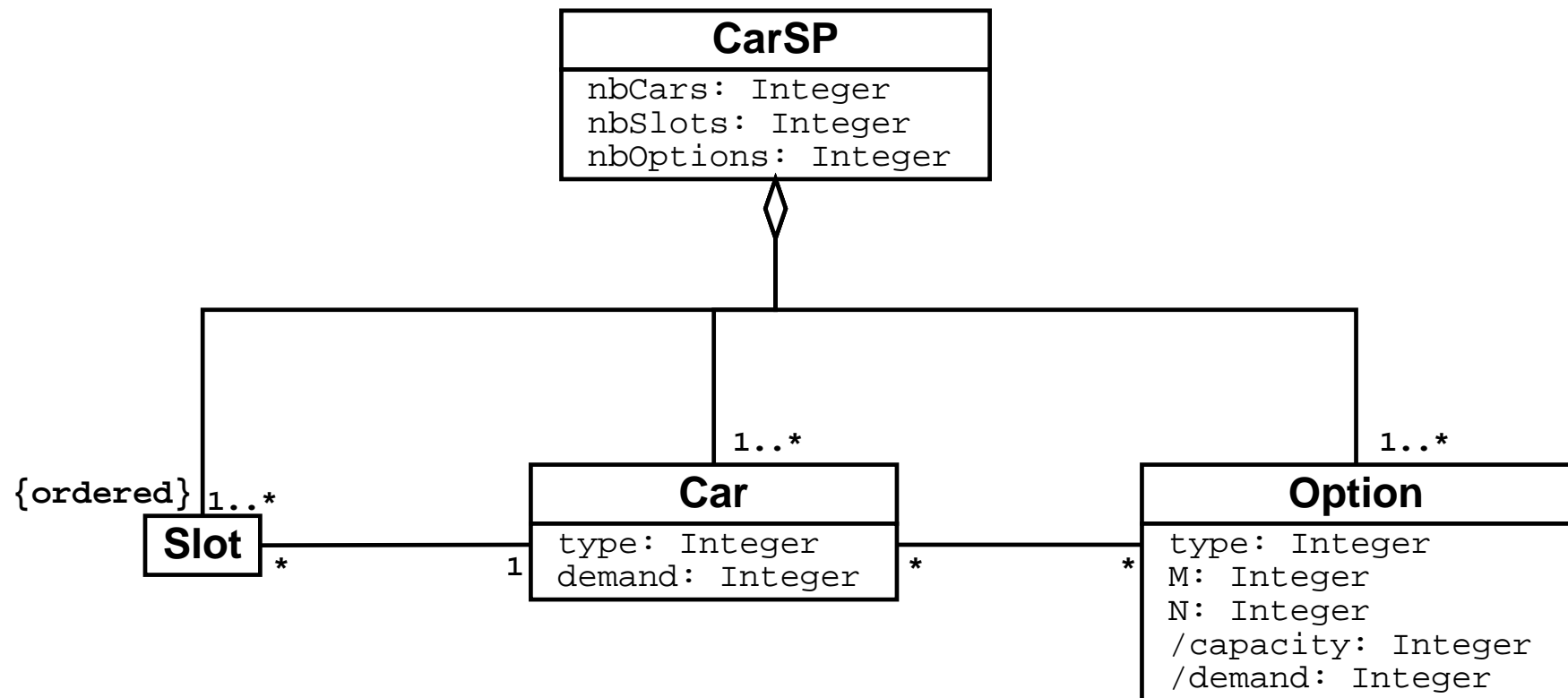
arrange the *sequence of all requested cars*  
such that none of the capacity constraints is violated

# Instance Data for the Car Sequencing Problem

Option		Capacity M/N	Car Type		
Name	Type		1	2	3
Sunroof	1	2/3	1	1	0
Radio	2	3/4	1	0	1
Air Cond.	3	2/3	0	1	1
Number of Cars			10	20	20

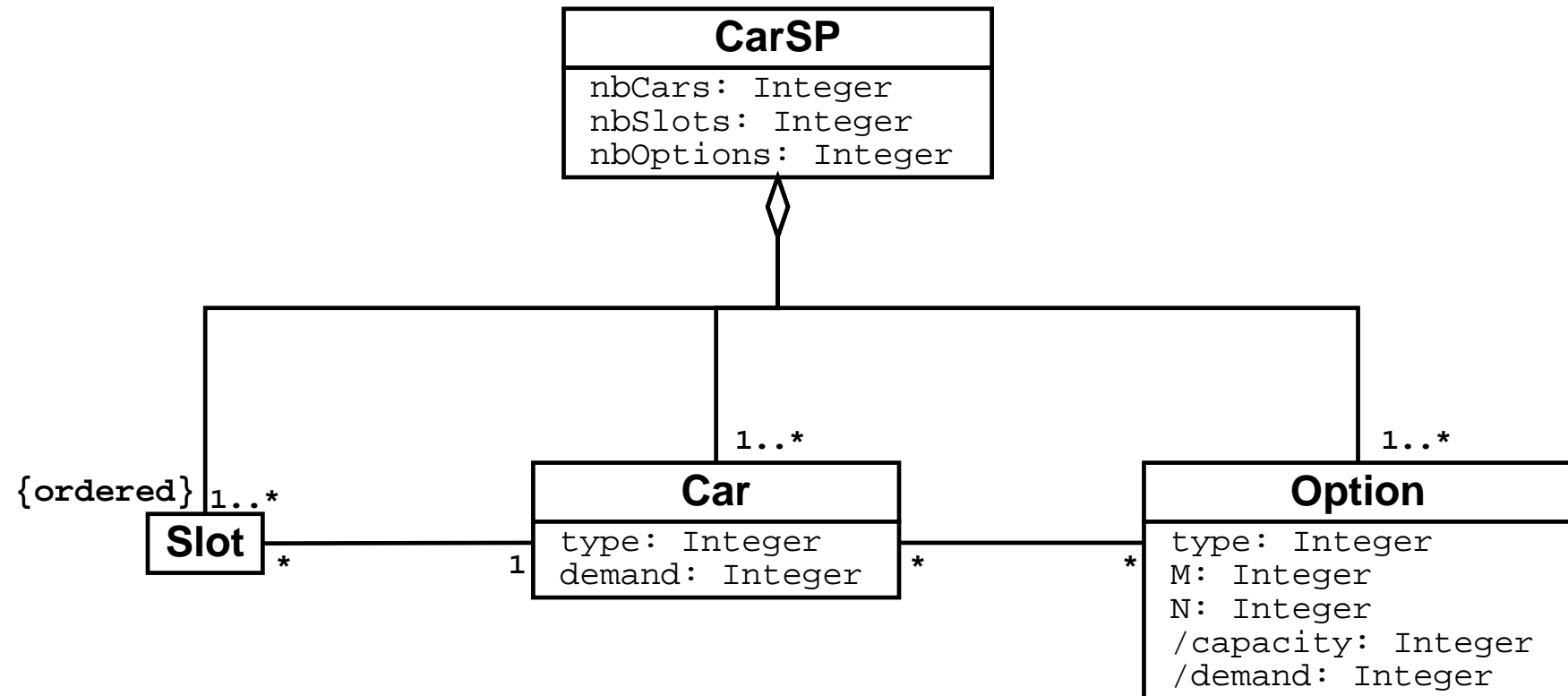
- *total of 50 cars:*
  - ◆ 30 cars with sunroofs
  - ◆ 30 cars with radios fitted
  - ◆ 40 cars with air conditioning

# Structural Model



- **Car** represents possible car types
  - ◆ characterized by `type` and `demand` attributes
- **Slot**: the sequence of **Car** types

# Multiplicity Constraints



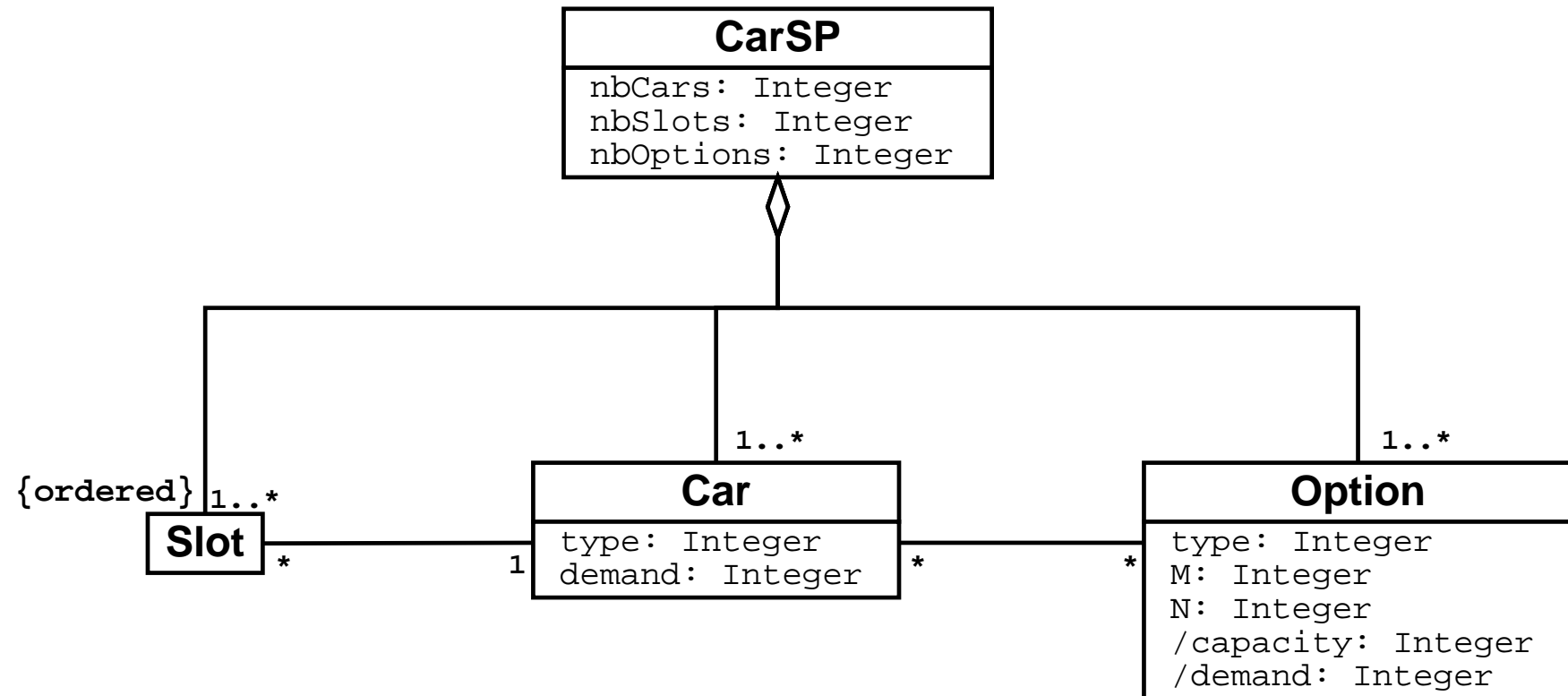
**context** CarSP **inv:**

`nbCars = car->size()` and

`nbSlots = slot->size()` and

`nbOptions = option->size()`

# Domains as Unary Constraints



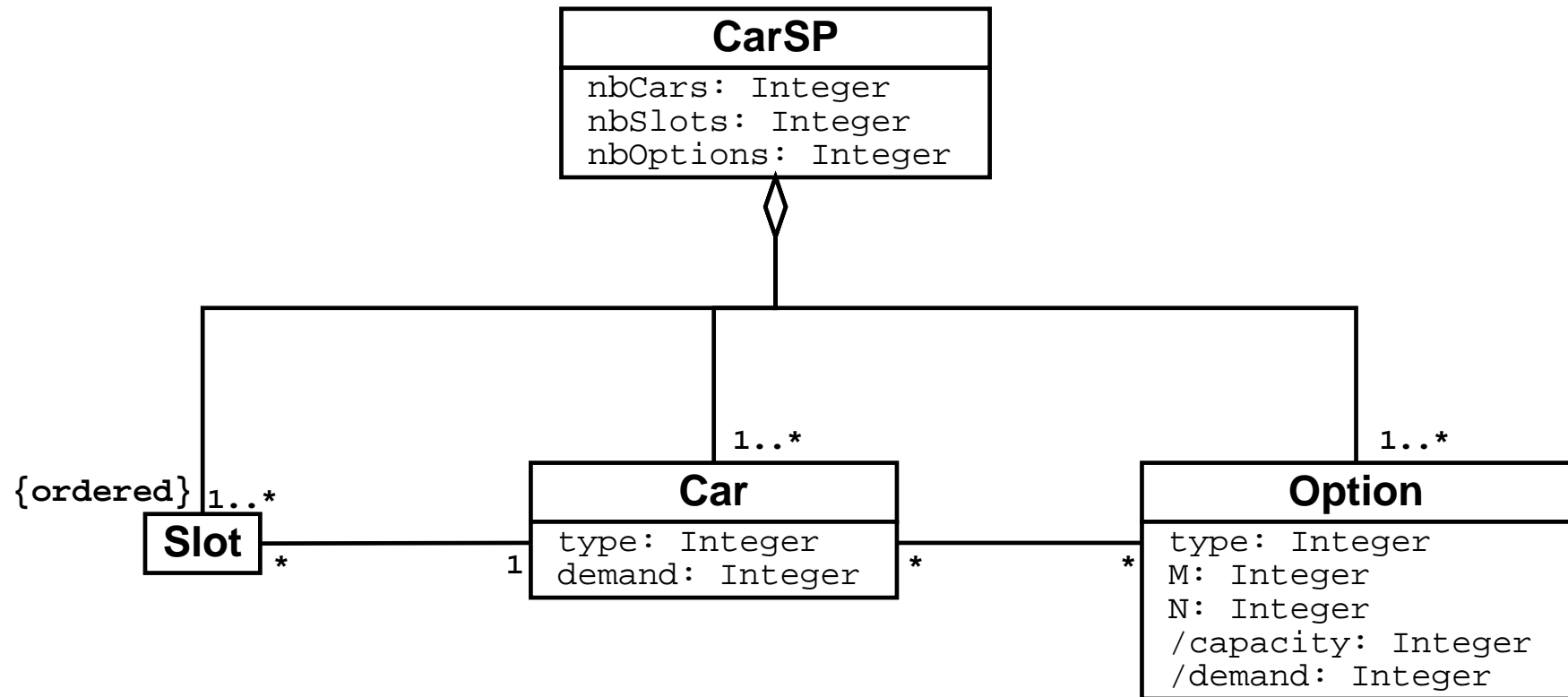
**context** Option **inv:**

`type > 0 and type <= 3`

**context** CarSP **inv:**      -- uniqueness constraint

`option->isUnique(type)`

# Instantiation: tabled values for the domain of Car



**context** Car **inv:**

`type = 1 implies (demand = 10 and option.type = Set{1,2})`

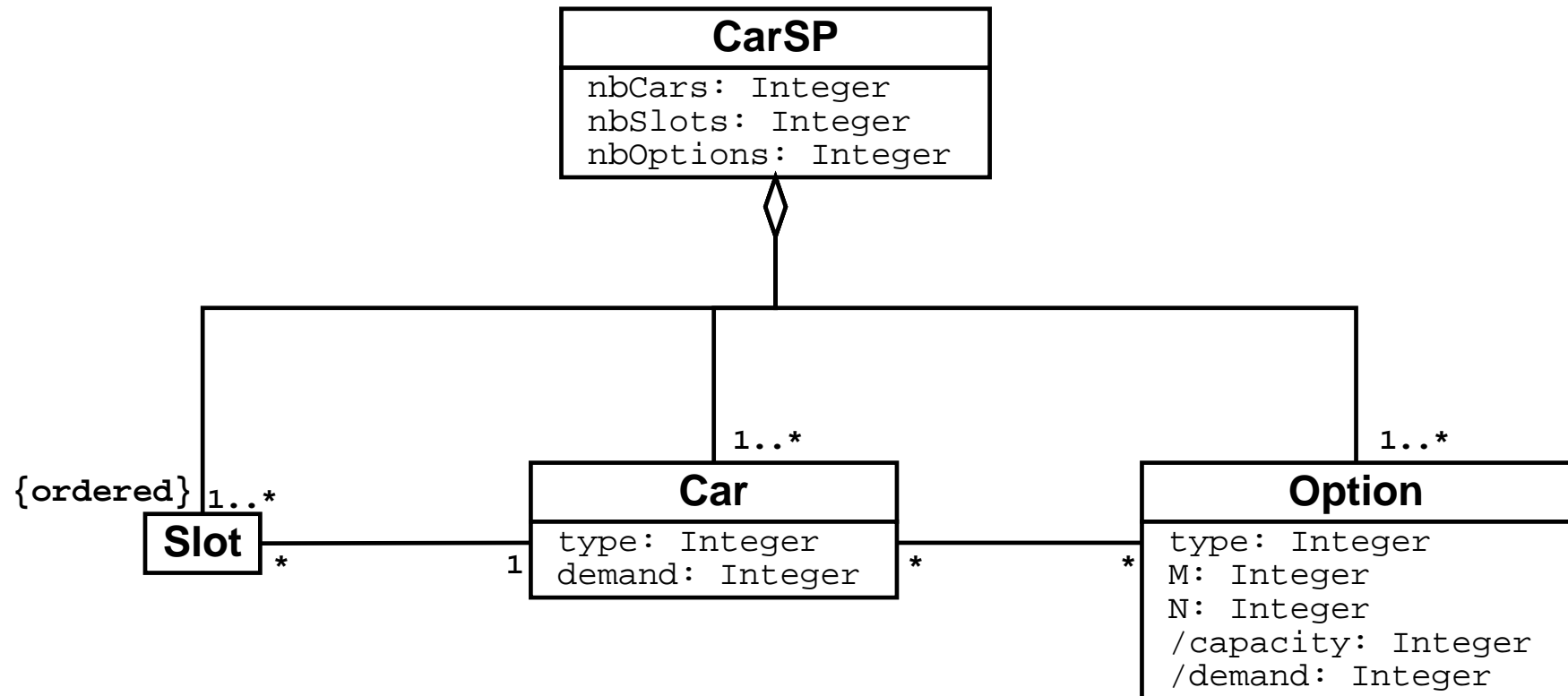
and

`type = 2 implies (demand = 20 and option.type = Set{1,3})`

and

`type = 3 implies (demand = 20 and option.type = Set{2,3})`

# Computation of Derived Attributes



- can always be derived from other attributes

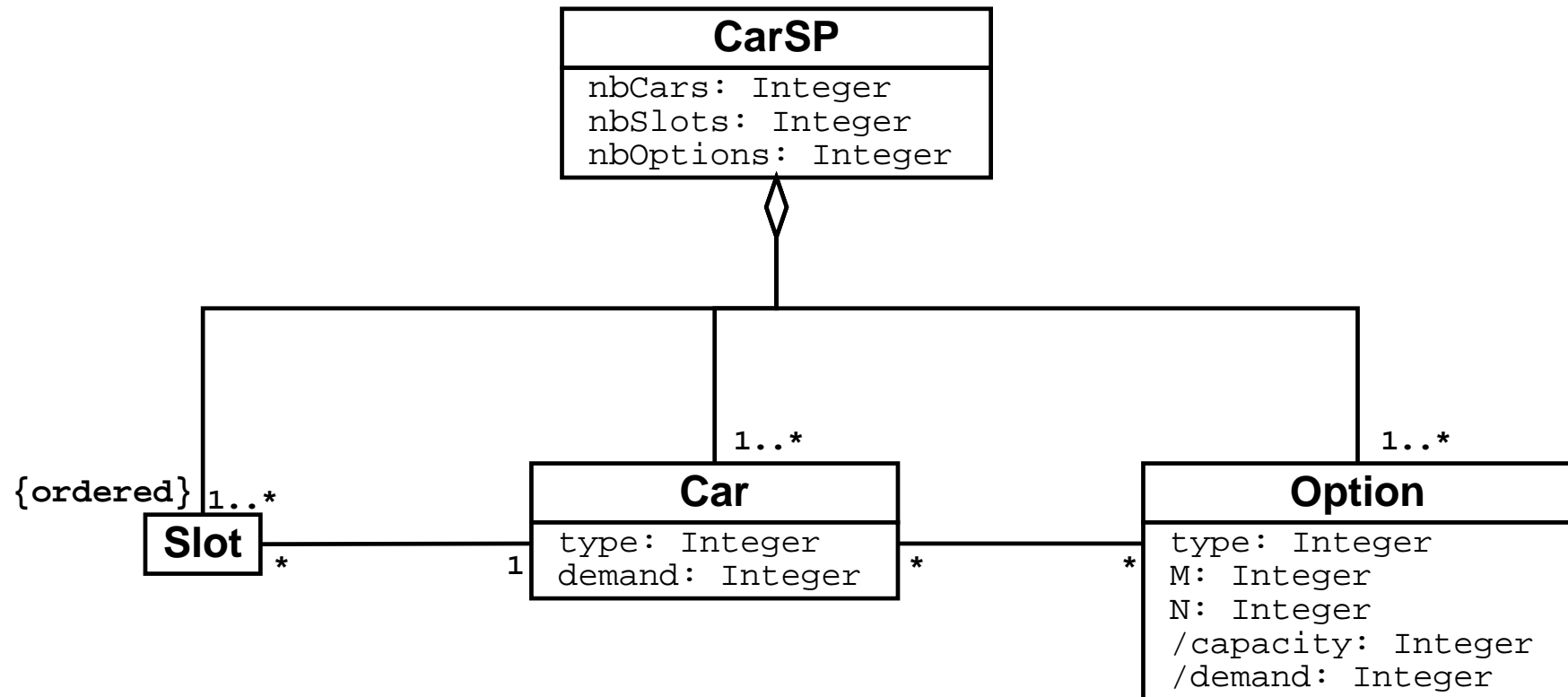
**context** Option **inv:**

`capacity = M/N and`

`demand = car.demand->sum( )`



# Capacity Constraints ("at most" - constraints)



**context** CarSP **inv:**

`option->forall(o|`

`Sequence{1..(nbSlots - o.N + 1)}->forall(i|`

`slot->subSequence(i, i + o.N - 1).car.option->count(o)`

`<= o.M ))`

# End