

Metaclass

The abstract syntax of UML is specified using a UML model called the UML metamodel. Classes in a metamodel are called metaclasses.

The metaclass icon in the [Model Browser](#) is . Its shape is displayed with «metaclass» stereotype.

All metaclasses in our modeling tools are stored in the **Auxiliary Resources**, expand the **UML Standard Profile Package > UML 2 Metamodel Package**.

To show the auxiliary resources

- In the [Model Browser](#), click  and enable the **Show Auxiliary Resources** option.