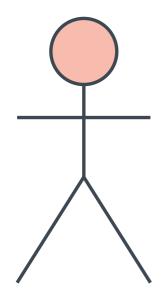
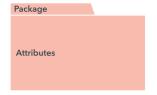
Symbol	Name	Description
	Object symbol	Represents a class or object in UML. The object symbol demonstrates how an object will behave in the context of the system. Class attributes should not be listed in this shape.
	Activation box	Represents the time needed for an object to complete a task. The longer the task will take, the longer the activation box becomes.



Actor symbol

Shows entities that interact with or are external to the system.



Package symbol

Used in UML 2.0 notation to contain interactive elements of the diagram. Also known as a frame, this rectangular shape has a small inner rectangle for labeling the diagram.

Symbol	Name	Description
:User	Lifeline symbol	Represents the passage of time as it extends downward. This dashed vertical line shows the sequential events that occur to an object during the charted process. Lifelines may begin with a labeled rectangle shape or an actor symbol.
[Condition]	Option loop symbol	Used to model if/then scenarios, i.e., a circumstance that will only occur under certain conditions.

Symbol	Name	Description
Alternative [Condition][Else]	Alternative symbol	Symbolizes a choice (that is usually mutually exclusive) between two or more message sequences. To represent alternatives, use the labeled rectangle shape with a dashed line inside.

Common message symbols

Use the following arrows and message symbols to show how information is transmitted between objects. These symbols may reflect the start and execution of an operation or the sending and reception of a signal.

Symbol	Name	Description

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- < <create>> - — — — ></create>	Asynchronous create message symbol	Represented by a dashed line with a lined arrowhead. This message creates a new object.
<	Reply message symbol	Represented by a dashed line with a lined arrowhead, these messages are replies to calls.
	Delete message symbol	Represented by a solid line with a solid arrowhead, followed by an X. This message destroys an object.