



**COMP 3711**

**(OOA and OOD)**

# **System Sequence Diagram**

Larman Chapter 10, 32

# UML And UP

## Inception

User-Level Use Cases  
Domain Class diagram

## Elaboration

**System Sequence Diagram SSD**  
Collaboration diagrams

Sequence diagram  
Design Class diagram  
State Transition diagrams

## Construction

Component diagrams  
Class Implementation

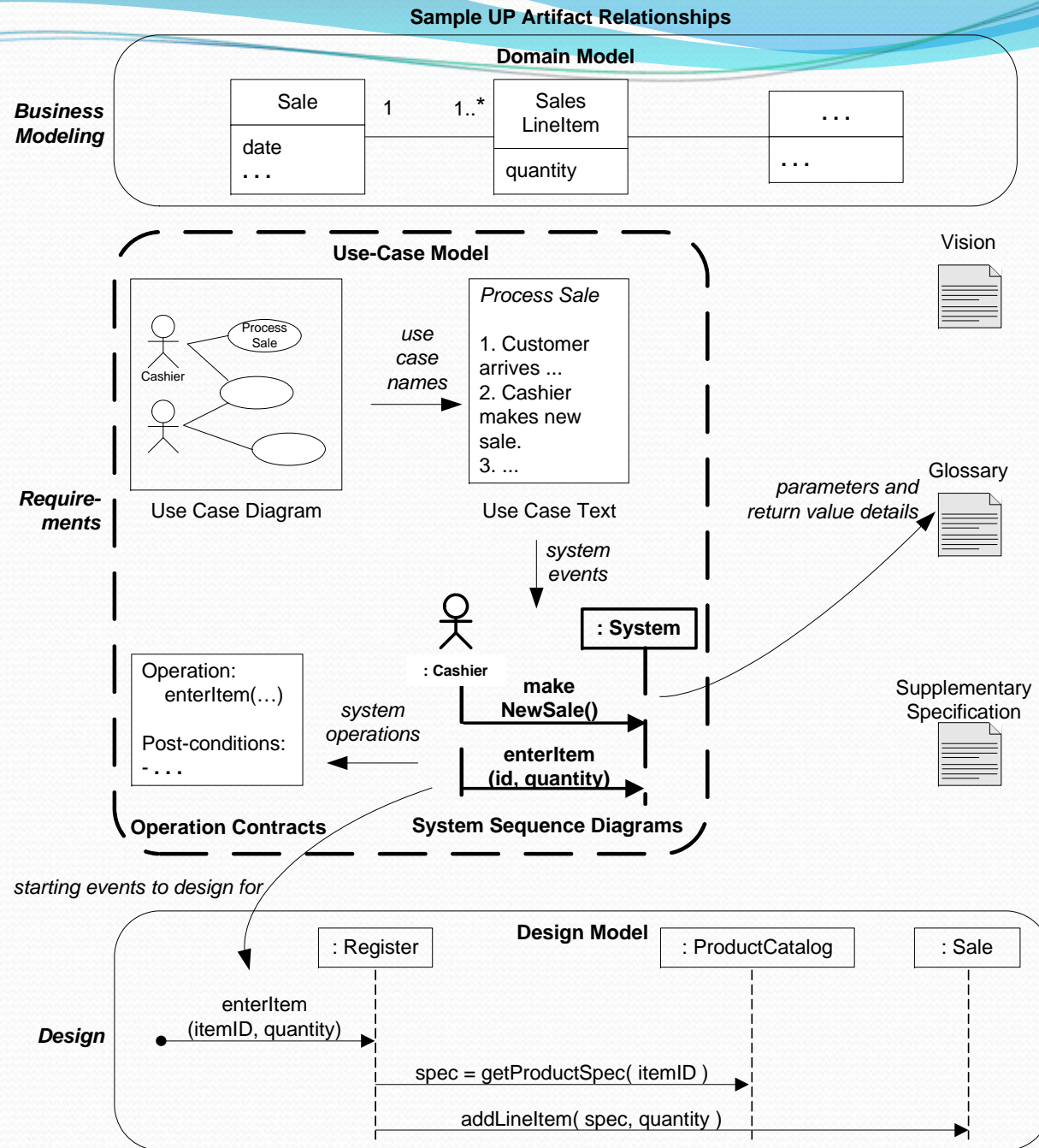
## Transition

Deployment diagrams  
Full Integration & Test



# SSD

## Part of requirements gathering



# Already Constructed UML Model

- Use Case
  - The focus in the Use Case is the Actors interacting with the System.
  - The actor generates events to the system
  - Events initiate operations upon the system
- Domain Model
  - The focus in the Domain model is the relationships between the conceptual classes.



# The System Sequence Diagram

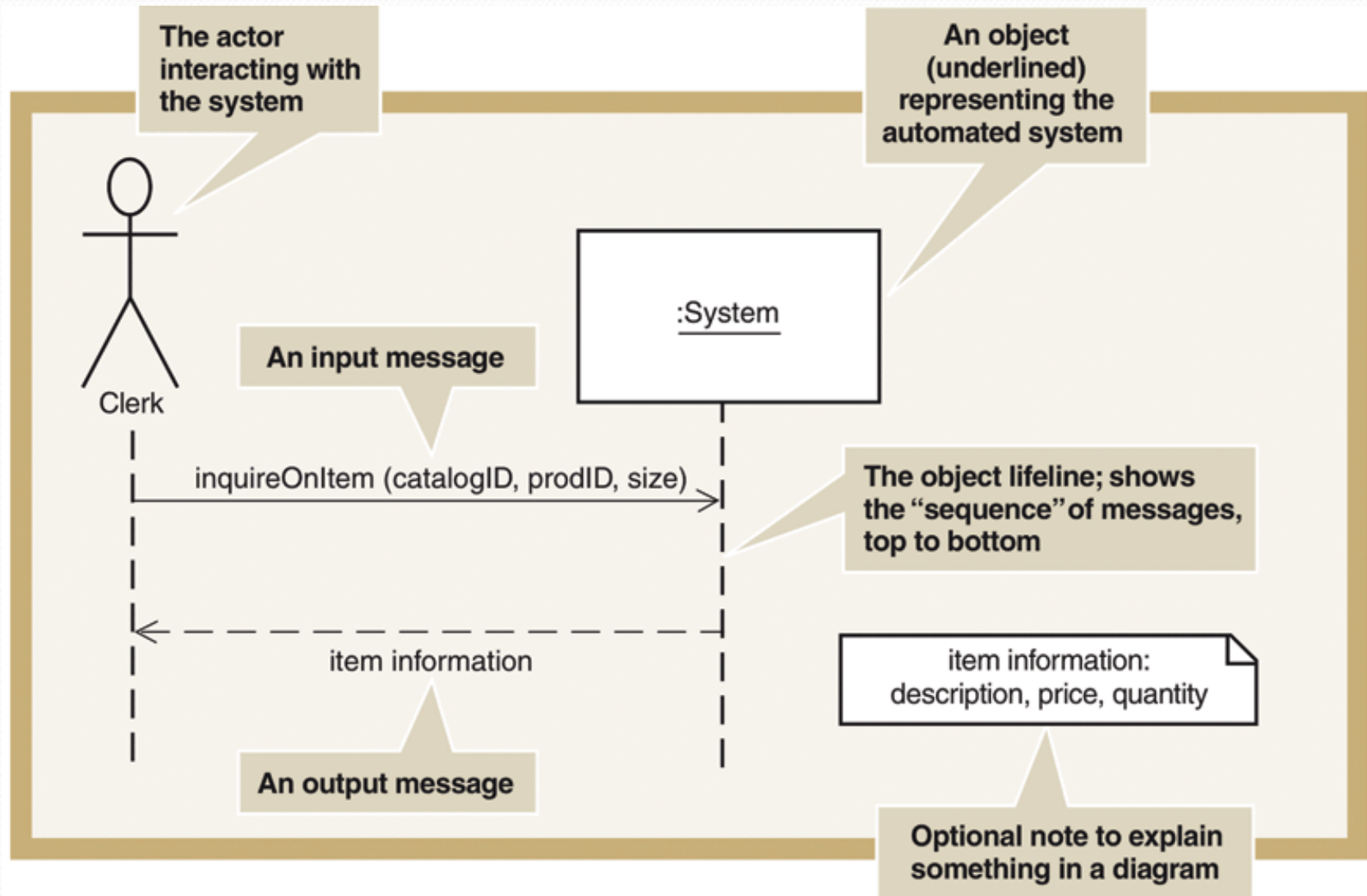
- System Sequence Diagrams (SSDs) are derived from Use Cases.
- A SSD shows one Use Case Scenario.
- SSD is for a main success scenario of a Use Case.

# The System Sequence Diagram

- SSD identifies Inputs and Outputs of a Use Case Scenario and models the input and output messaging requirements for a Use Case or scenario.
- Shows actors interacting with system.
- Shows sequence of interactions as messages during flow of activities.
- The system is shown as one object: a “black box”

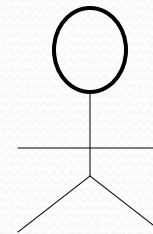


# System Sequence Diagram (SSD) Notation



# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

- **Actor** represented by a stick figure – a person (or role) that interacts with system by entering input data and receiving output data





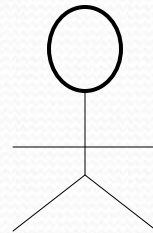
# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

- **Object** is a rectangle with name of object underlined – shows individual object and not class of all similar objects ( :System for SSD )  

: System
- Technically speaking the entities in sequence diagrams are objects.
- The class to which the object belongs is also included
- The object name may be omitted if the behaviour applies to all objects of a class
- No object attributes are listed.

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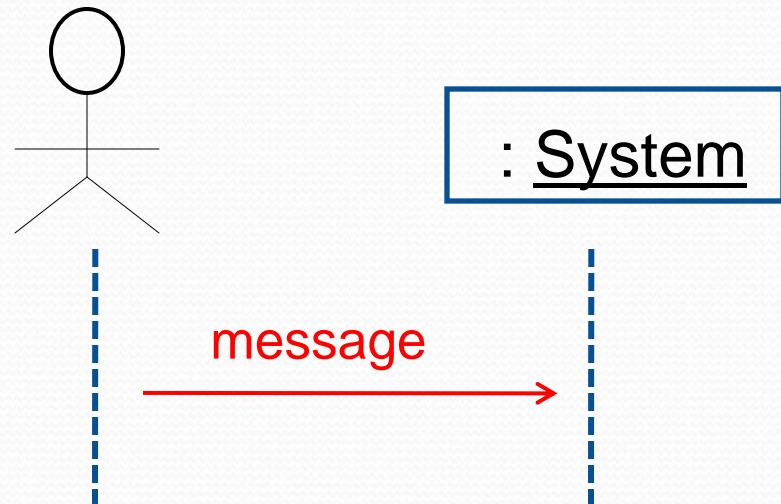
- **Lifeline** or **object lifeline** is a vertical line under object or actor to show passage of time for object
- If vertical line dashed
  - Creation and destruction of thing is not important for scenario





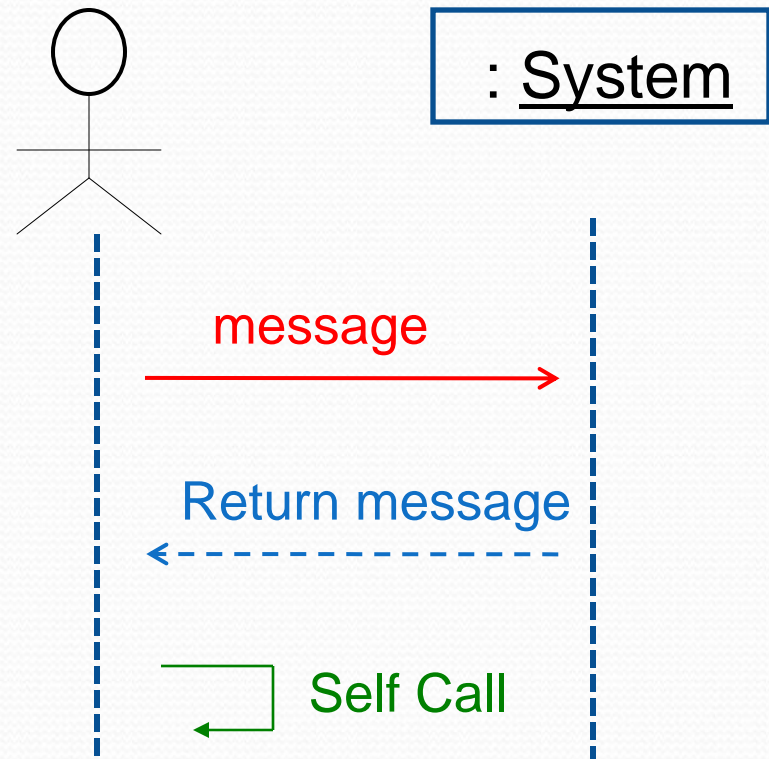
# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

- **Messages** are internal events identified by the flow of objects in a scenario. They are requests from one actor or object to another to do some action. A message invokes a particular method.








# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

- **Messages** are labelled on arrows to show messages sent to or received by actor or system





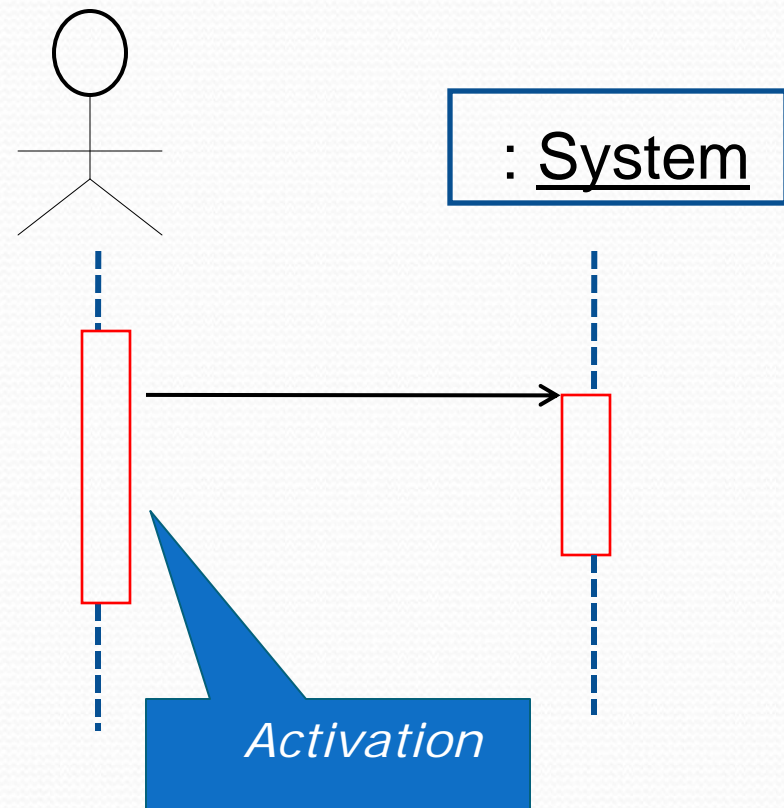
# SSD Extended Notation

Arrow	Message type
	Simple
	Synchronous
	Asynchronous
	Balking
	Time out

- **Synchronous** – two objects exchanging a message with sender waits for handler completes (single-threaded)
- **Asynchronous** - message being passed to another object without yielding to control, (multi-threaded)
- **Balking** – object absorbs the message transfer from another due to immediate unavailability (e.g. refusal or queue full)
- **Time Out** – a fixed waiting time for receiver object to accept message, then balk

# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

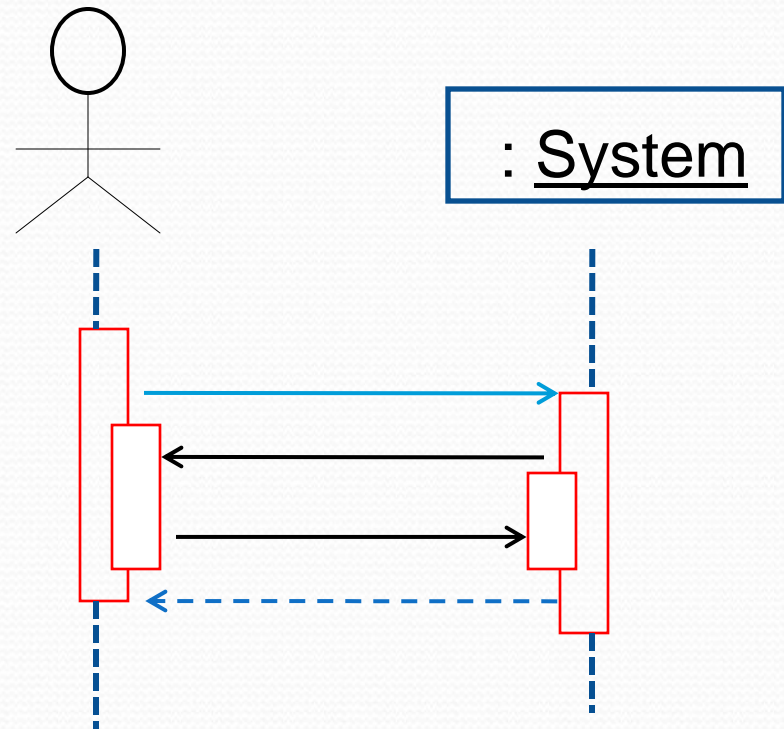
- **Activation boxes** represent the time an object (active) needs to complete a task





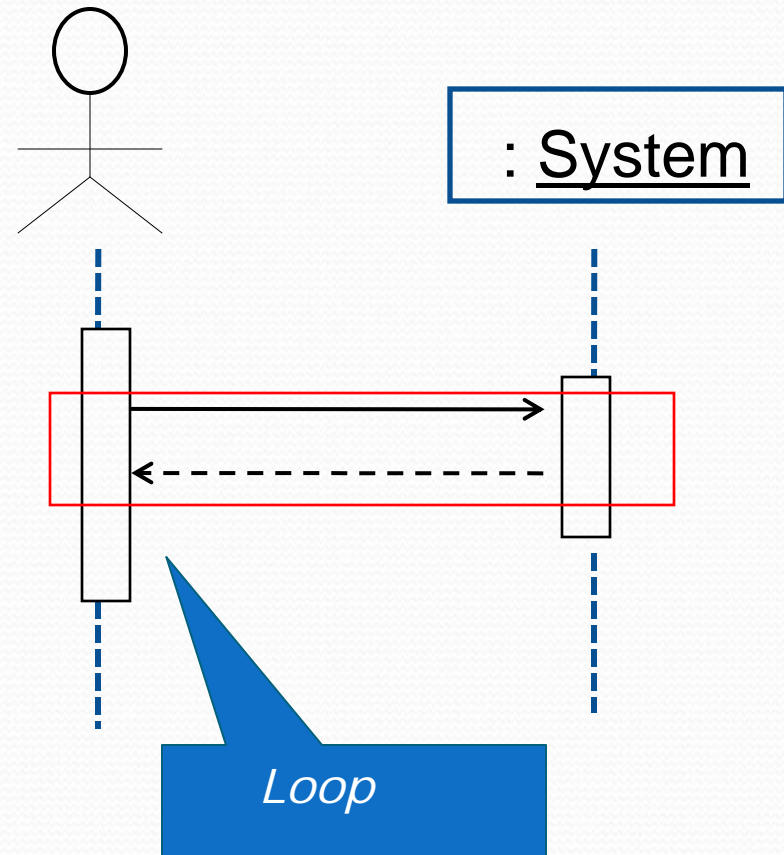
# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

- **Activation boxes** make it easier to visualize and unambiguous as they emit from the activation for the message that returns the value



# SSD (System Sequence Diagram) Notation

- **Loop** or Repetition within a SSD is depicted as a rectangle.
- Some notation has the exit loop condition placed in the bottom left corner with square brackets [ ]
- Loop is a type of the “Interaction Frame”, other examples: reference, options



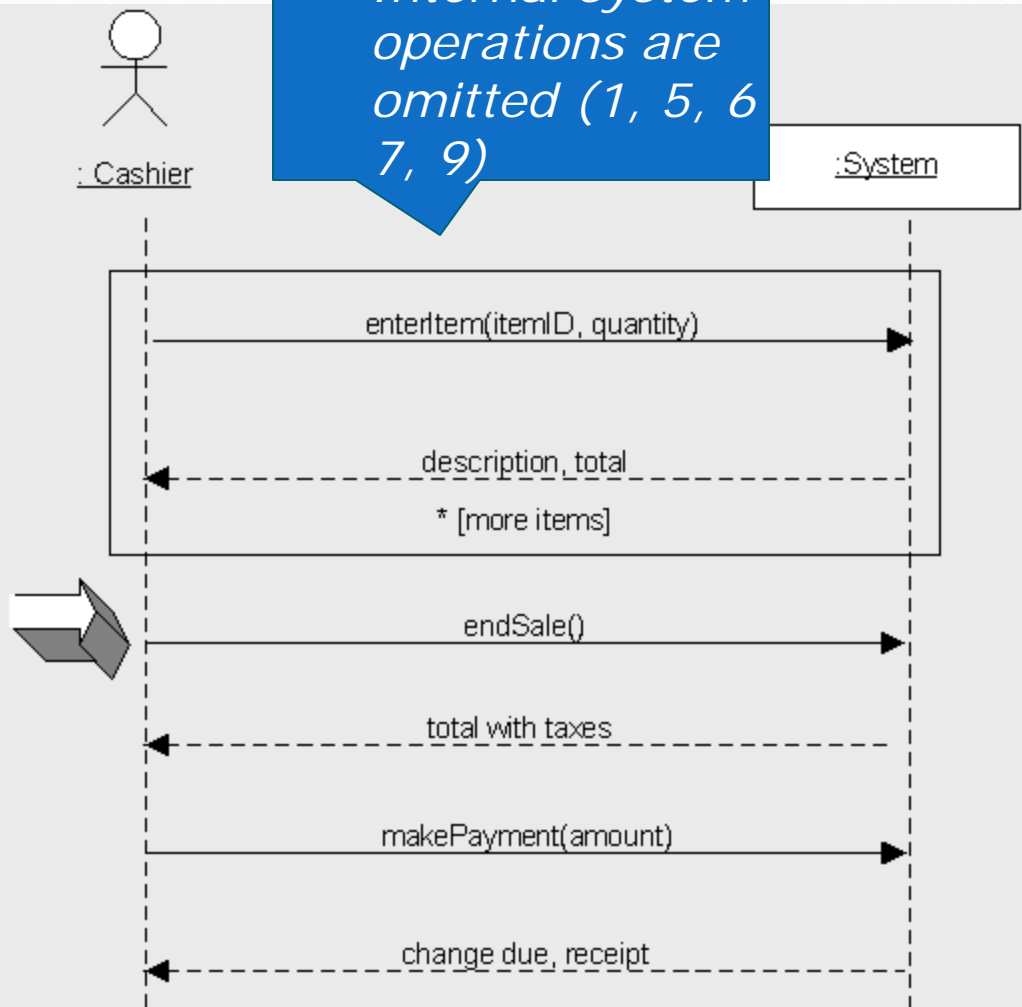


# Example: Use Case to SSD

*Non-system operations and Internal system operations are omitted (1, 5, 6 7, 9)*

## Simple cash-only *Process Sale* scenario:

1. Customer arrives at a POS checkout with goods and/or services to purchase.
2. Cashier enters item identifier and quantity, if greater than one.
3. System records sale line item and presents item description, price, and running total.  
Cashier repeats steps 2-3 until indicates done.
4. System presents total with taxes calculated.
5. Cashier tells Customer the total, and asks for payment.
6. Customer pays with cash.
7. Cashier enters cash tendered.
8. System records payment and presents change due.
7. System logs the completed sale, but does not interact with external systems.
8. System presents receipt.
9. Customer leaves with receipt and goods.



*Sequence diagram shows events for a use case scenario*

# SSD (System Sequence Diagram)

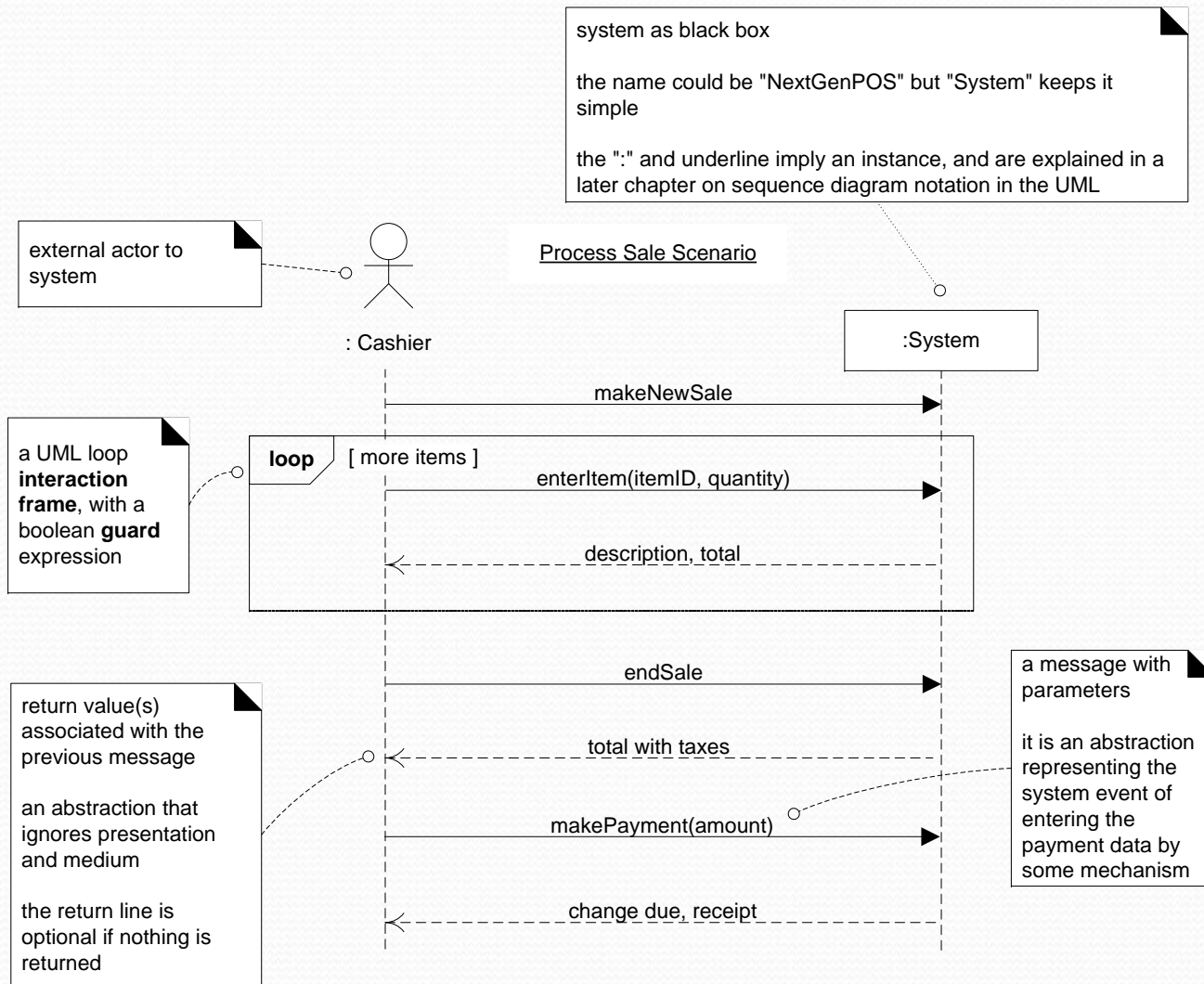
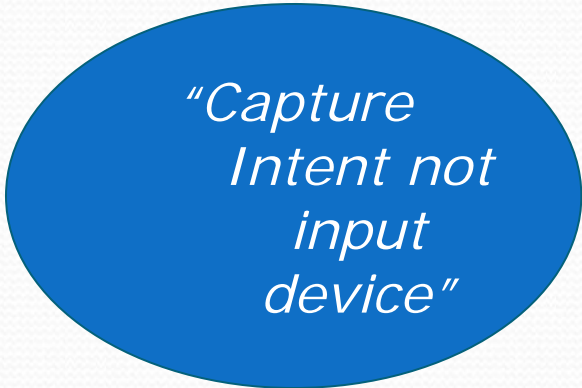


Fig 10.2 – Larman



# Naming SSD system events and operators

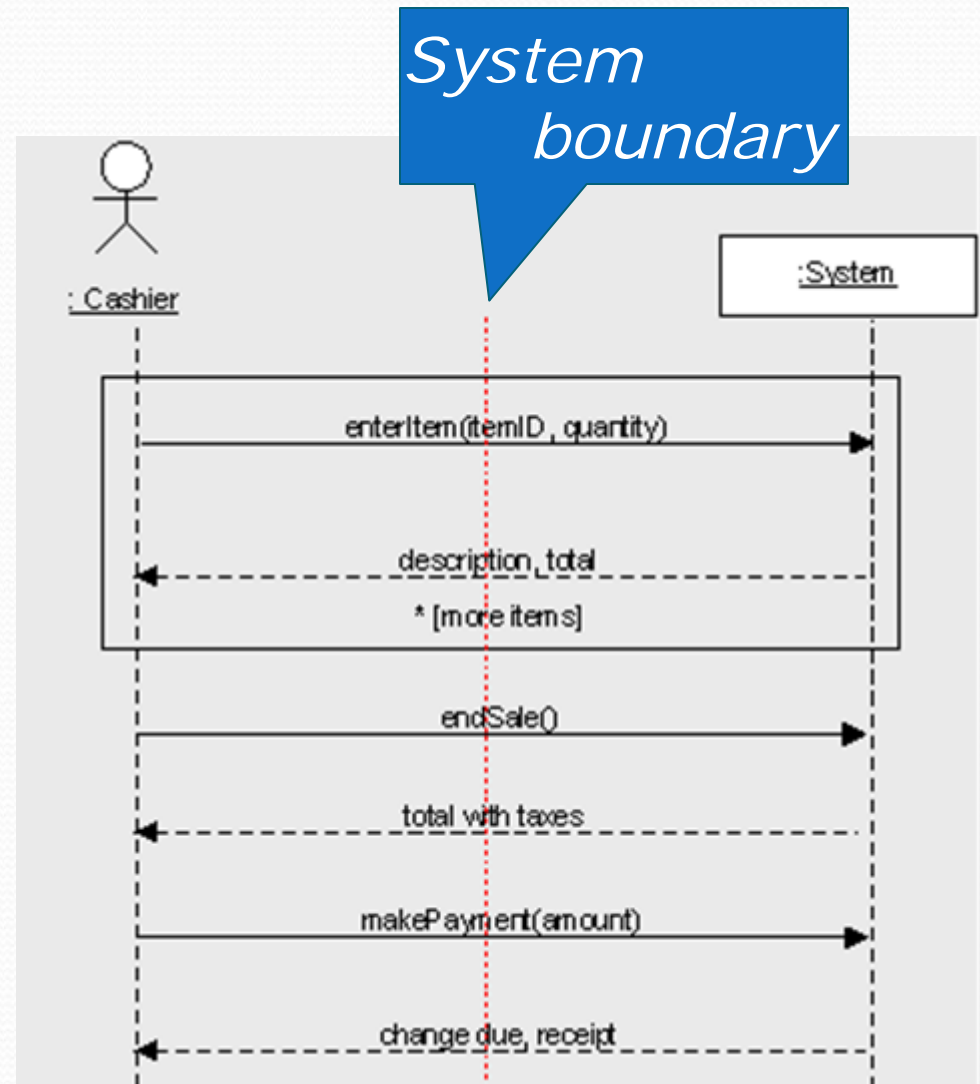
- Express events and operations at the level of intent rather than in terms of physical input medium
- Start event names with a verb:
  - addXXX
  - enterXXX
  - endXXX
  - makeXXX ....



*"Capture  
Intent not  
input  
device"*

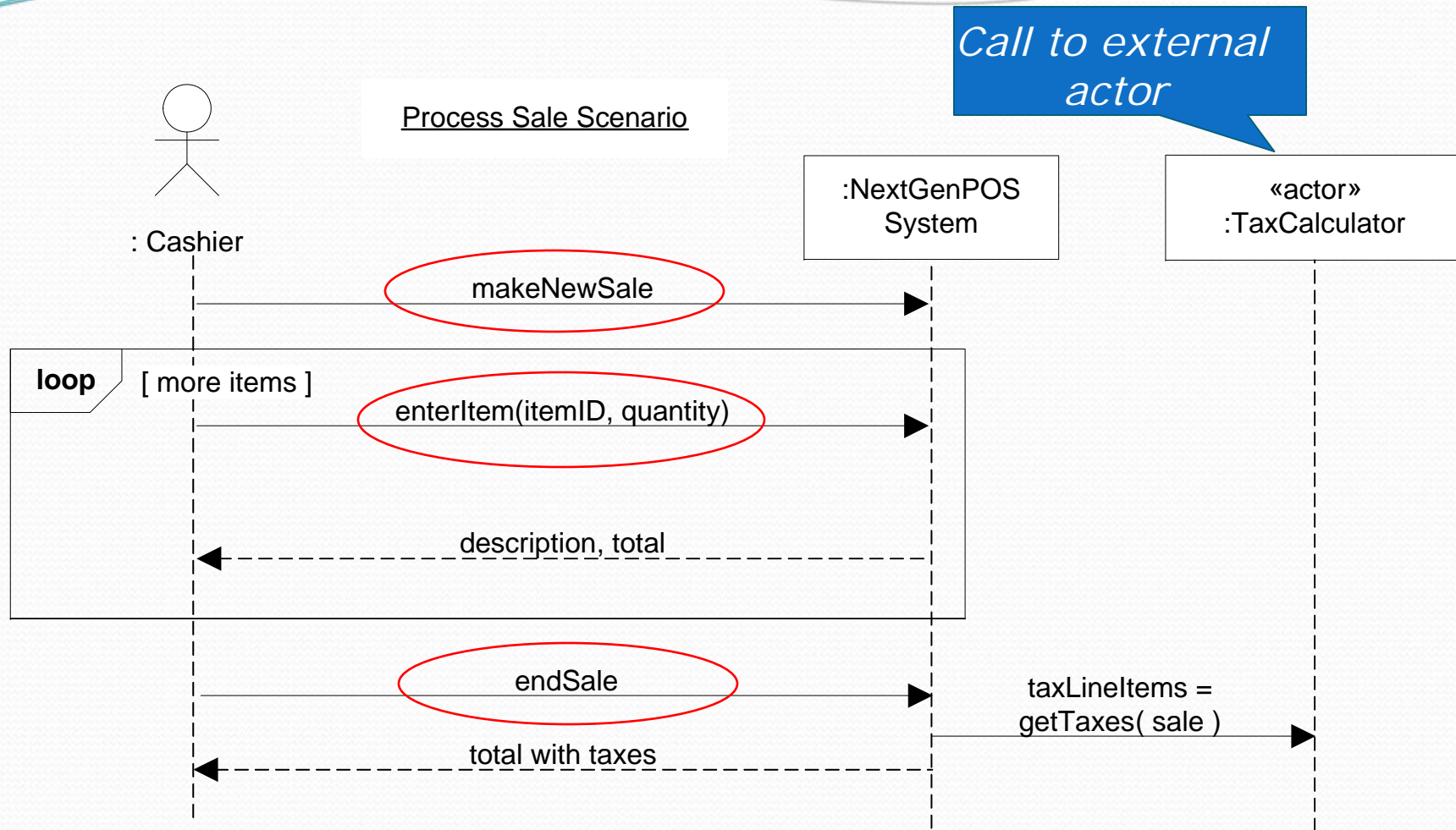
# Identify System Boundary

- **System Boundary** must be clearly defined.
- System Boundary is usually chosen to be the software system itself.
- Notice that internal system operations are not included in SSD.



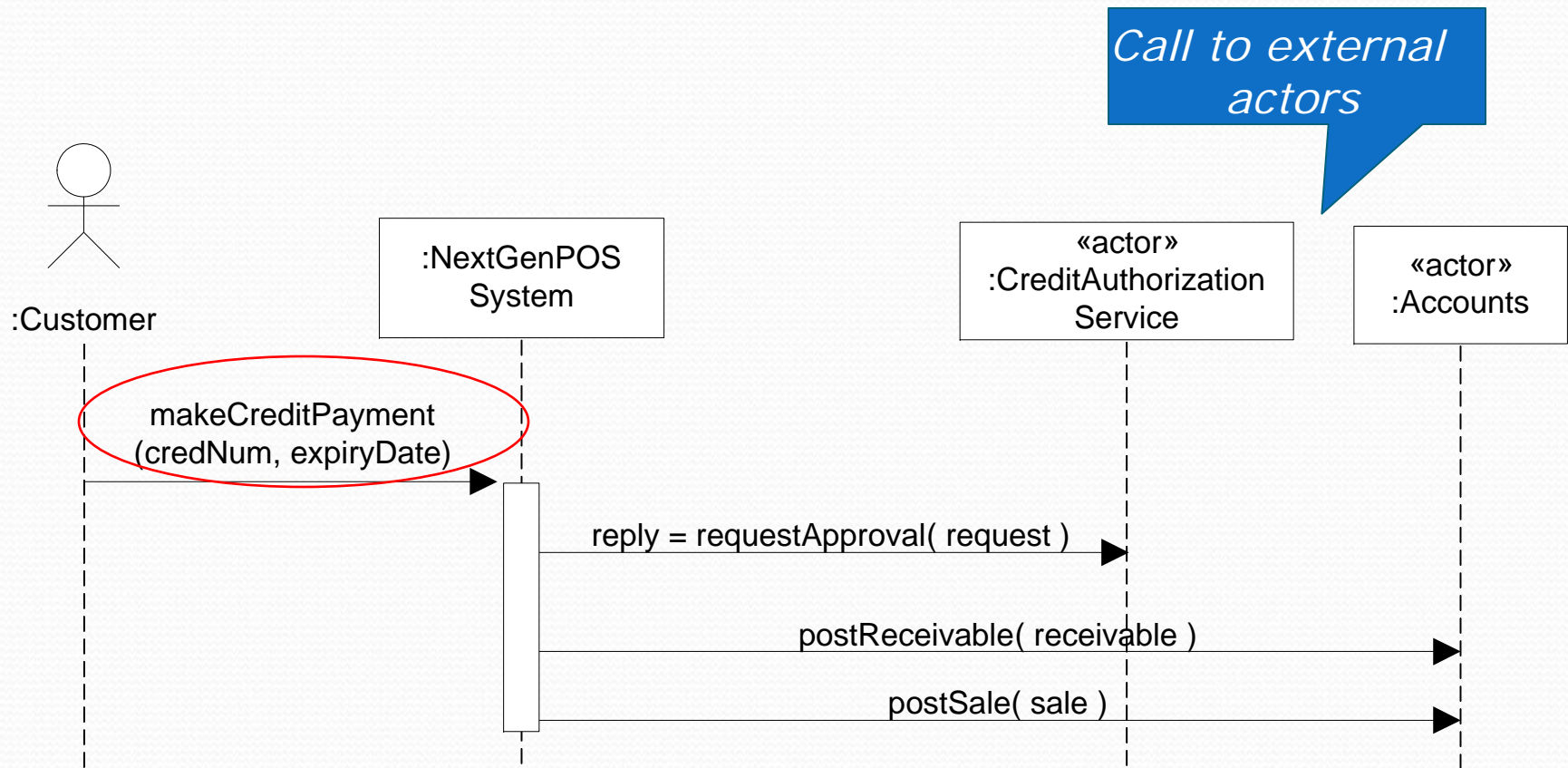


# Extend POS - Process Sales Scenario



- Cashier processes the customer purchase with three operations: **makeNewSales**, **enterItem**, **endSale**

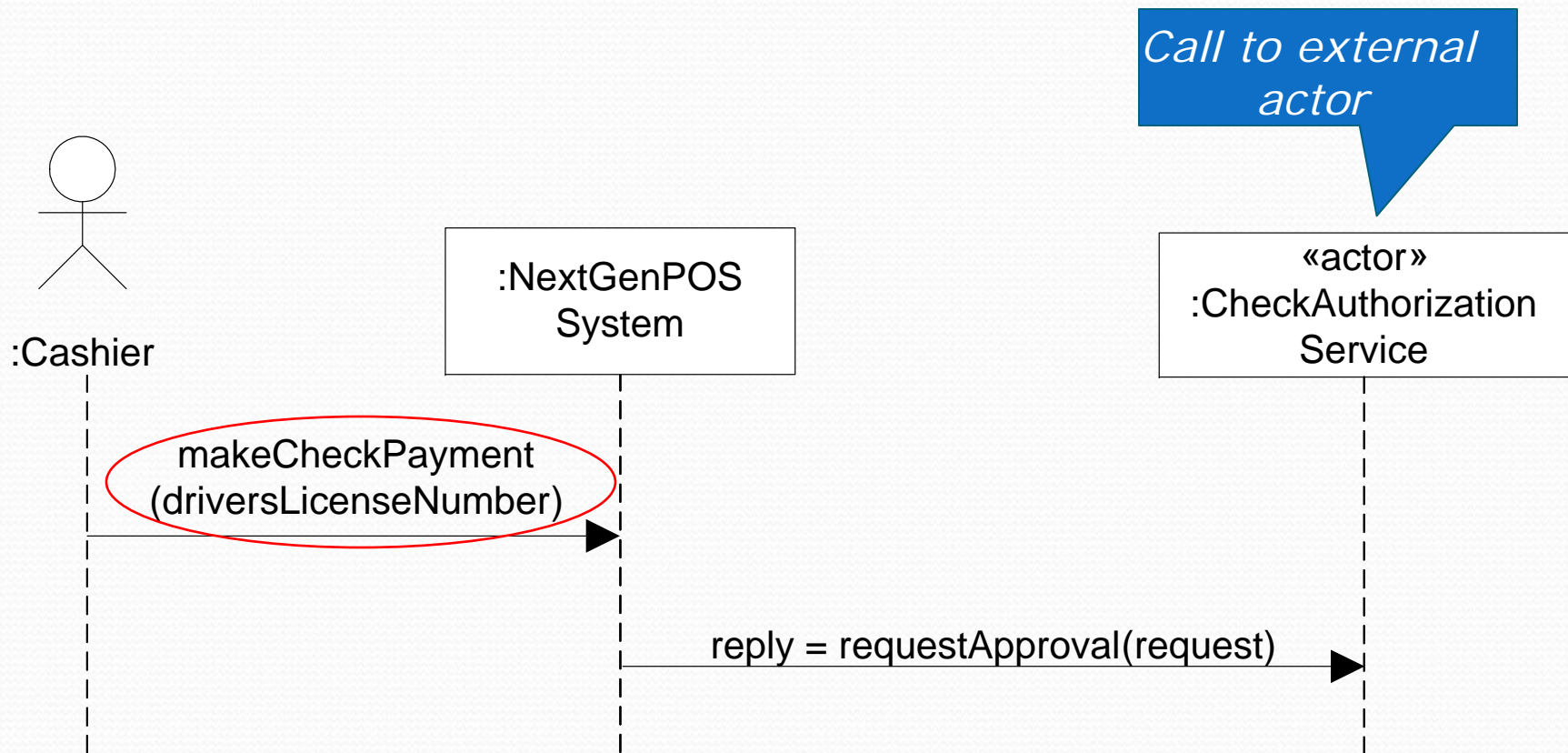
# Extend POS – SSD Process Sales



- For Credit Card Payment, the customer interacts with the POS. The payment needs to be authorized and then added to accounts receivable.

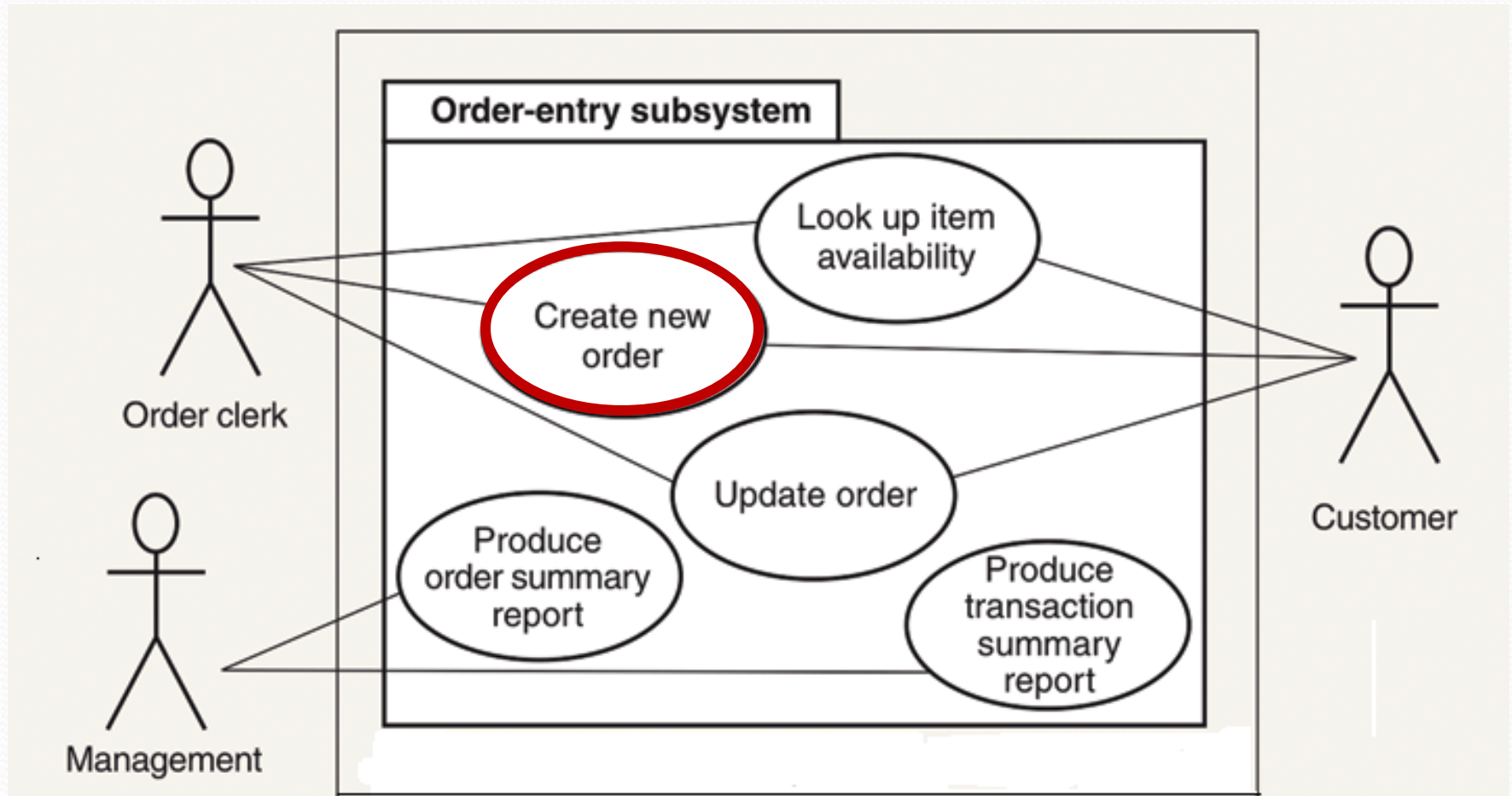


# Extend POS – SSD Process Sales



- For Check Payment, the customer interacts with the Cashier who process the sales through the POS. The driver licence must be recorded for validation.

# Example: An Old Familiar Use Cases of Order Entry Subsystem





# Use Case Description -

## Example of Telephone Order Scenario for Create New Order Use Case

<b>Use Case Name:</b>	Create new order	
<b>Scenario:</b>	Create new telephone order	
<b>Triggering Event:</b>	Customer telephones RMO to purchase items from the catalog.	
<b>Brief Description:</b>	When customer calls to order, the order clerk and system verify customer information, create a new order, add items to the order, verify payment, create the order transaction, and finalize the order.	
<b>Actors:</b>	Telephone sales clerk.	
<b>Related Use Cases:</b>	Includes: <i>Check item availability</i> .	
<b>Stakeholders:</b>	Sales department: to provide primary definition. Shipping department: to verify information content is adequate for fulfillment. Marketing department: to collect customer statistics for studies of buying patterns.	
<b>Preconditions:</b>	Customer must exist. Catalog, Products, and Inventory items must exist for requested items.	
<b>Postconditions:</b>	Order and order line items must be created. Order transaction must be created for the order payment. Inventory items must have the quantity on hand updated. The order must be related (associated) to a customer.	
<b>Flow of Activities:</b>	<b>Actor</b>	<b>System</b>
	1. Sales clerk answers telephone and connects to a customer.	
	2. Clerk verifies customer information.	
	3. Clerk initiates the creation of a new order.	3.1 Create a new order.
	4. Customer requests an item be added to the order.	
	5. Clerk verifies the item ( <i>Check item availability</i> use case).	5.1 Display item information.
	6. Clerk adds item to the order.	6.1 Add create an order item.
	7. Repeat steps 4, 5, and 6 until all items are added to the order.	
	8. Customer indicates end of order; clerk enters end of order.	8.1 Complete order. 8.2 Compute totals.
	9. Customer submits payment; clerk enters amount.	9.1 Verify payment. 9.2 Create order transaction. 9.3 Finalize order.
<b>Exception Conditions:</b>	2.1 If customer does not exist, then the clerk pauses this use case and invokes <i>Maintain customer information</i> use case. 2.2 If customer has a credit hold, then clerk transfers the customer to a customer service representative. 4.1 If an item is not in stock, then customer can a. choose not to purchase item, or b. request item be added as a back-ordered item. 9.1 If customer payment is rejected due to bad-credit verification, then a. order is canceled, or b. order is put on hold until check is received.	

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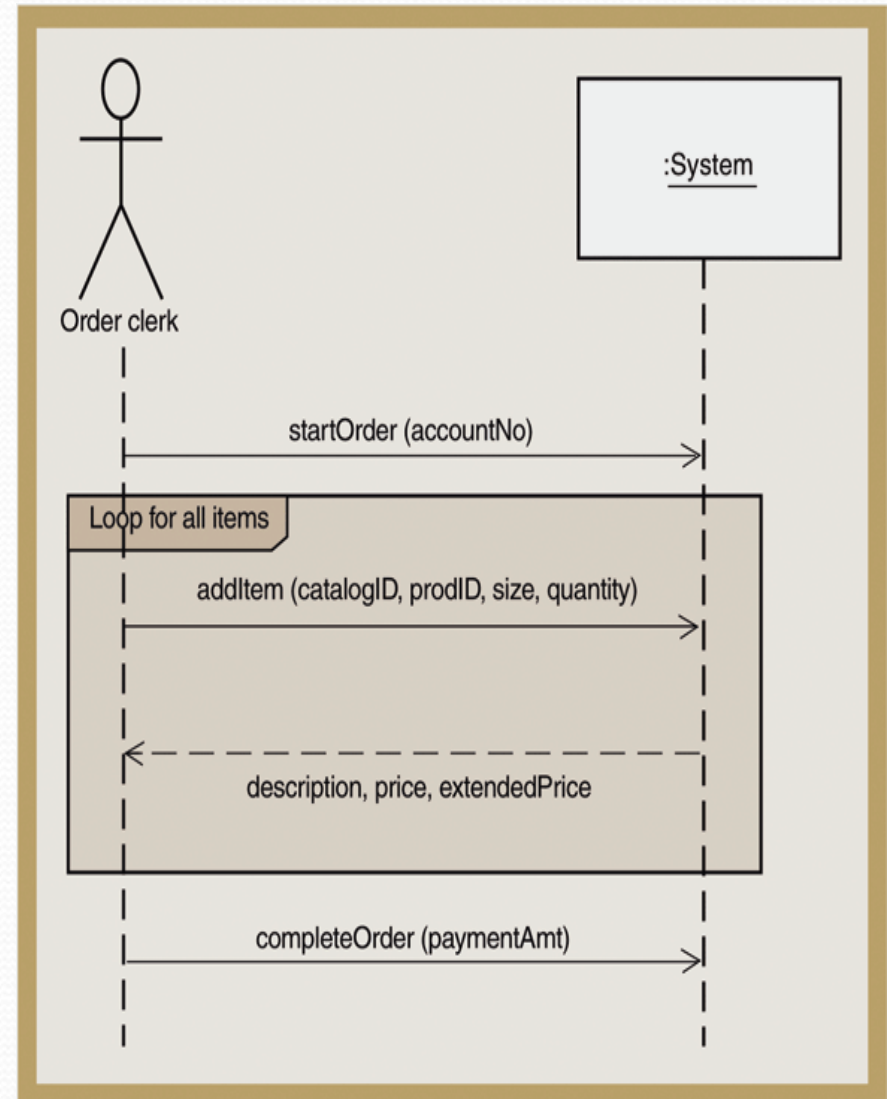
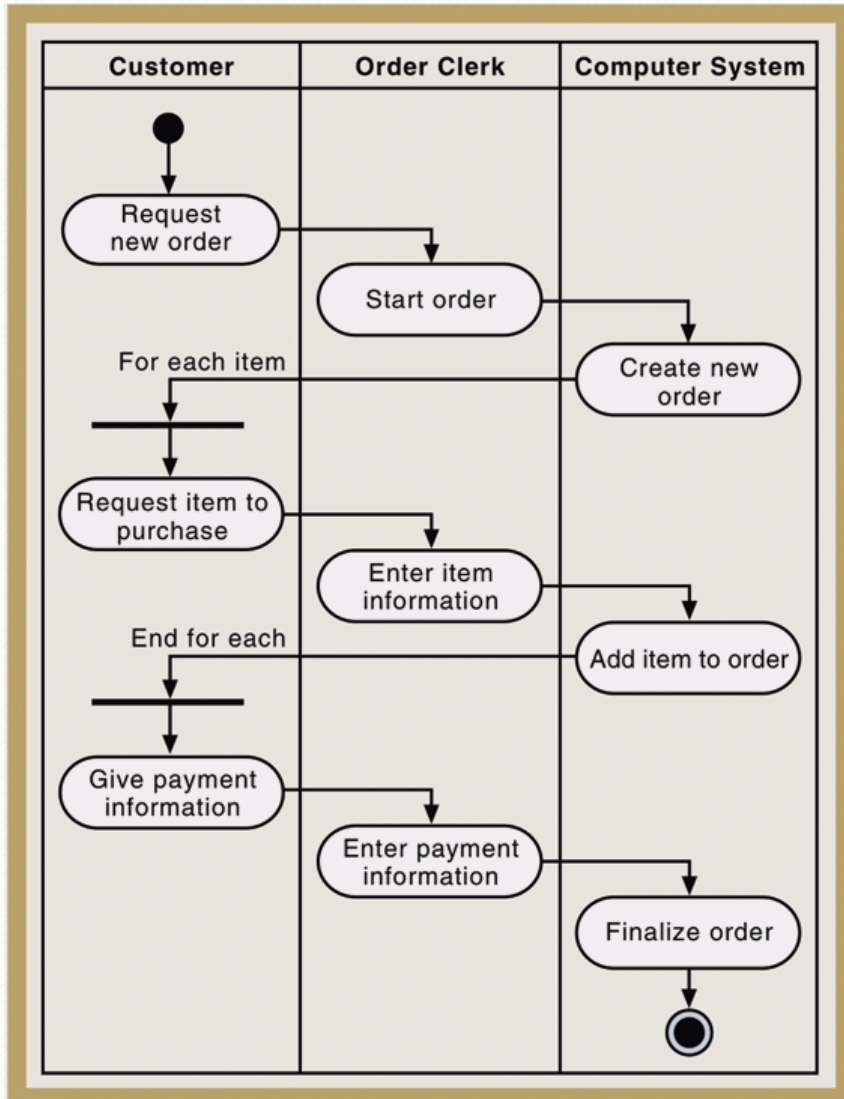
# Bottom Detail from Use Case Description

## Telephone Order

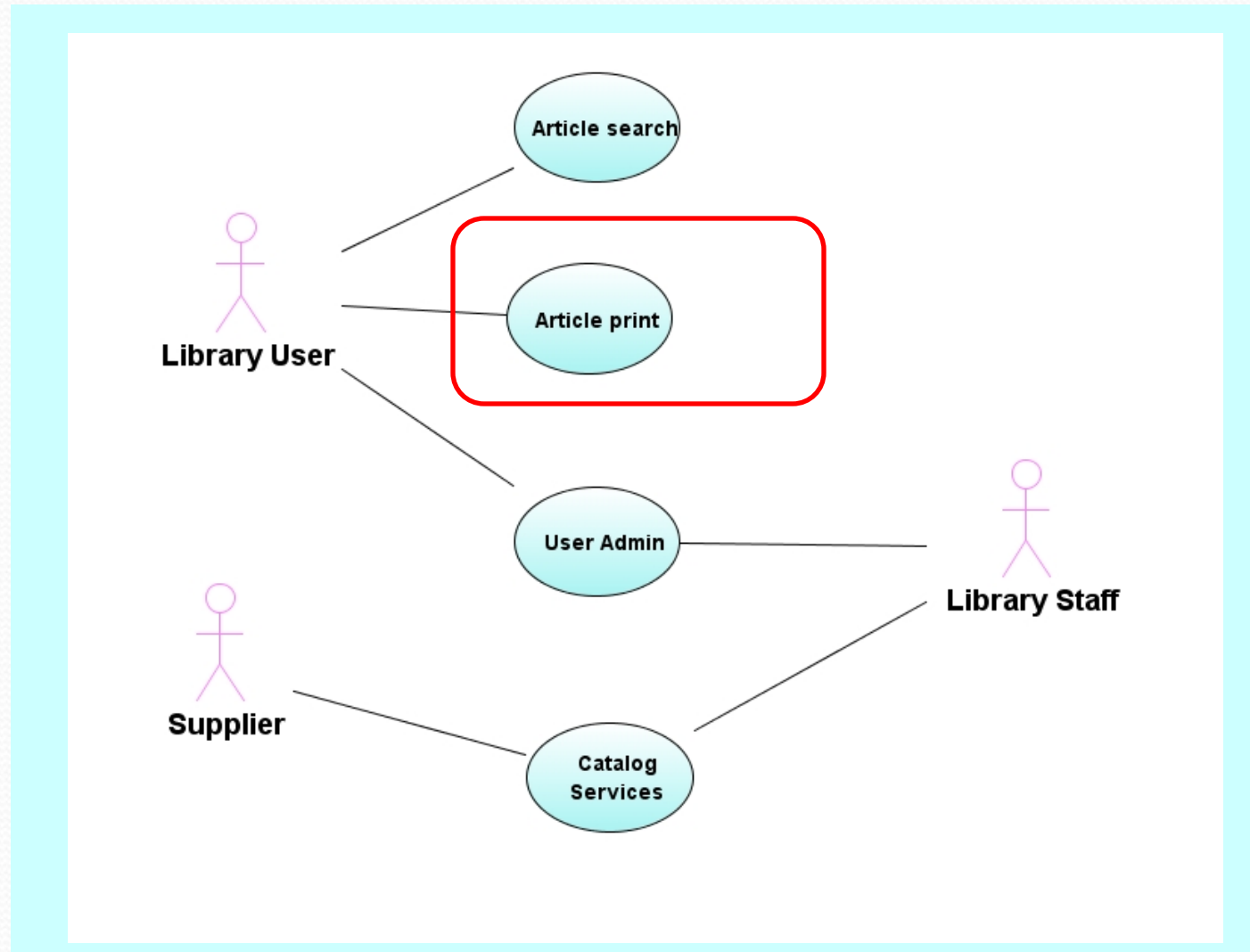
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# Activity Diagram and Resulting SSD for Telephone Order



# Example - Library Use Case Diagram





# Exercise 1 - Construct a System Sequence Diagram for the print article use case

- The activities flow for the Library User interacting with the print article use case:
  - The Library user requests the system to print article
  - The system prints the article
  - The Library user deletes the printed article from the system

## Exercise 2 - Construct a System Sequence Diagram for the print article use case

- The activities flow for the print article user case:
  - The Library user requests the system to print article
  - The system sends the article to the system print queue
  - The system print queue sends the article to the printer
  - The printer prints the article
  - The printer updates the completed print status to the system
  - The Library user deletes printed article from the system