

# Lecture 7

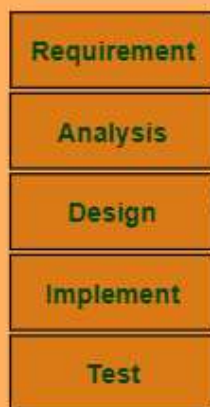
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## Overview of This Lecture

### ■ Interactions diagrams

- - Collaborations, classifier and association roles
  - Interaction diagrams, object creation and destruction
  - Role multiplicity and iterated messages
  - Multi-objects
  - Conditional messages, messages to self

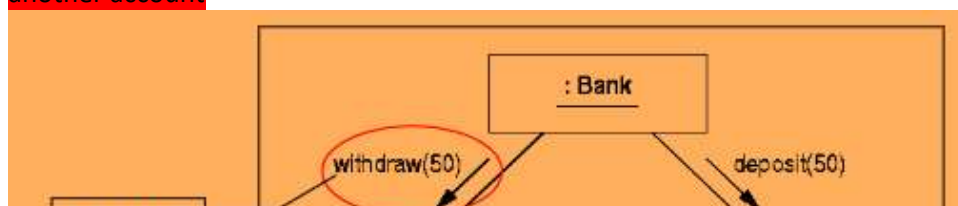
## Where are we now?

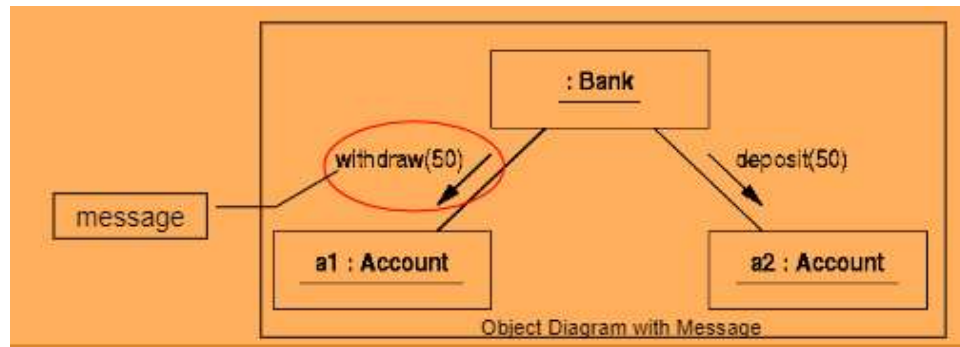


■ In depth look at the Interaction Diagrams.

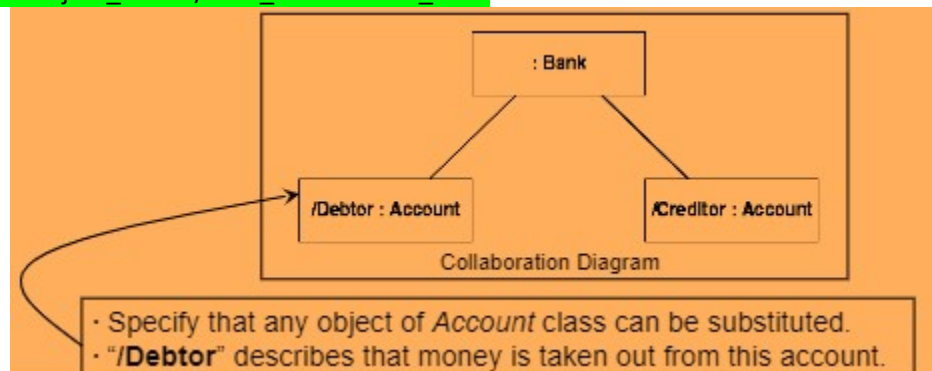
- Interaction Diagrams
  - When sys running, object interact by passing messages
  - Messages define sys behavior, not shown on static diagrams (like class diagrams)
  - UML defines 2 types of diagrams for showing interactions:
    - Collaboration Diagrams
    - Sequence diagrams
- Using Object Diagram: Interaction
  - Message can be added to an Object Diagram
  - Syntax: arrow w/ message name and parameter
  - Ex:

- The Bank performs "Funds Transfer" by *withdrawing* from one account, and *deposit* to another account



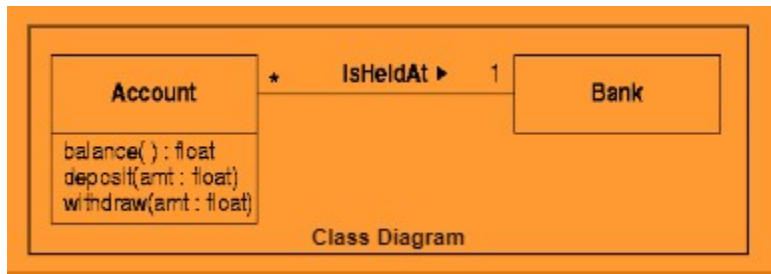


- Probs w/ Object Diagrams
  - Object diagrams show specific scenario
    - Show specific objects, not general case – can we withdraw from a2 and deposit in a1 instead?
    - Show limited number of objects and links – can we withdraw from a1 and deposit into a1 again (idk why, but sure)
    - Can't show alternative functionality – what if the withdraw causes overdraft in a1? Can we proceed w/ deposit
  - So we need smthng more general
- Solution - General method to specify behaviour
- Collaboration diagrams
  - In general , UML collaboration diagrams don't show individual object, rather the *roles* that objects can play in the interaction
  - Object diagram used to illustrate a collaboration known as *collaboration instance set*
- Classifier Roles
  - Define collaborations using classifier roles:
    - Rep any object of a class
    - Can have a name describing the role
  - Syntax: object\_name / role\_name : base\_class

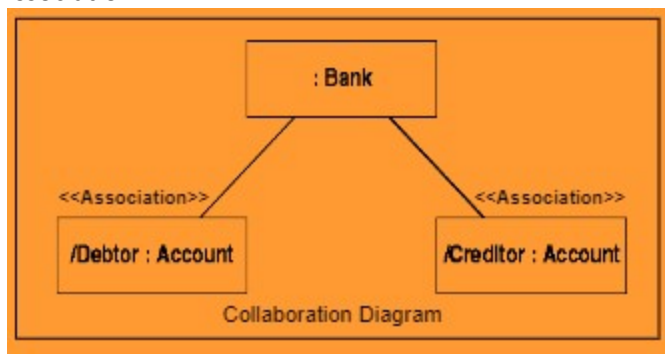


- Syntax Guide:
  - Classifier role not underlined, to distinguish from the object diagram usage
  - object\_name can be used to label a classifier role instead of a role name, when role is not clear/important
- Object Diagram on slide 7 is a *collaboration instance set* of the Collaboration Diagram on Slide 11:
  - Substitute an object a1 for the /Debtor role
  - Substitute an object a2 for the /Creditor role
- Roles and Objects
  - Objects can play diff roles in interactions
  - Object can be substituted for a role if
    - Its an instance of the base class of the role

- Its one of its subclasses
- In a given interaction, object playing certain role won't normally make use of all features given by base class of the role
  - Ex: *Account* object in the */Debtor* role only get "withdraw()" message, but not "deposit()" message
- Association Role
  - Like classifier role, this role generalizes the links in the object diagram
  - Association role connecting 2 classifier roles indicates objects playing those roles can establish links to each other and exchange messages during interactions
- Association Stereotypes
  - 5 ways to establish link btwn 2 objects
    - Base Association
    - Parameter
    - Local Instantiation
    - Global Variable
    - Self-directed Link
  - In UML, 5 corresponding stereotypes used to denote ^those
    - <<Association>>
    - <<Parameter>>
    - <<Local>>
    - <<Global>>
    - <<Self>>
- Association Roles: Base Association
  - The most common kind of association, defined btwn corresponding classes
  - More "permanent" compared to other kind of association, usually kept as attribute in the class
  - Syntax: label the association role with stereotype <<Association>>
  - Ex:

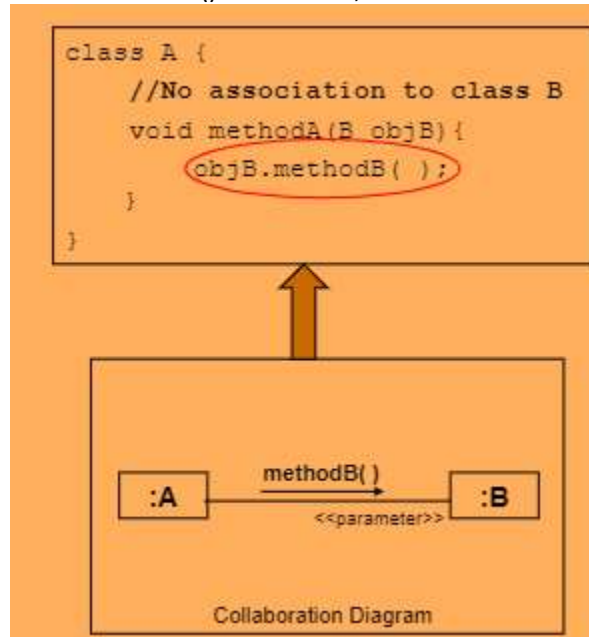


- Base Association: EX

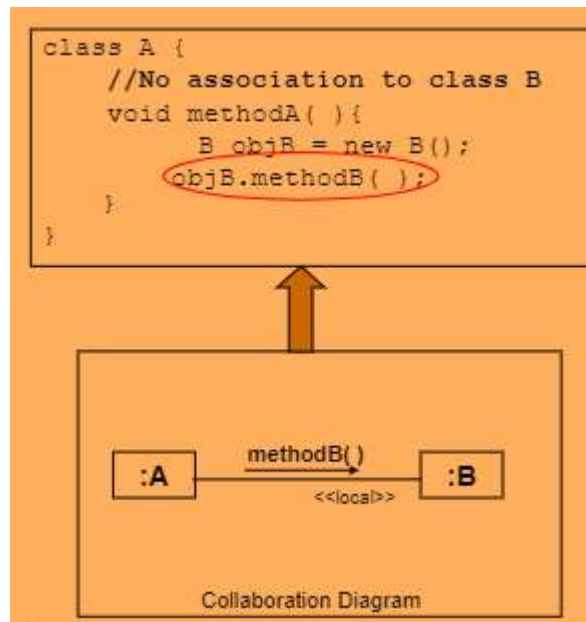


- Interaction possible bc the Bank object holds the "IsHeldAt" to the 2 account objects
  - Since most common case, can omit <association>> stereotypes
- Association Role: Parameter
  - 1 object passed to another as a parameter of a message

- In programming languages, implemented by passing a reference to the object
- Object getting the message knows id of parameter object, and can send messages to that object ( in the method body)
- Link is temporary, available while operation is executing
- Syntax: label w/ the stereotype <<parameter>>
- Parameter: Example
  - During the execution of methodA(), an object of class A can pass a message to an object of class B bc the reference is passed as a parameter
  - When methodA() terminates, the link will be over

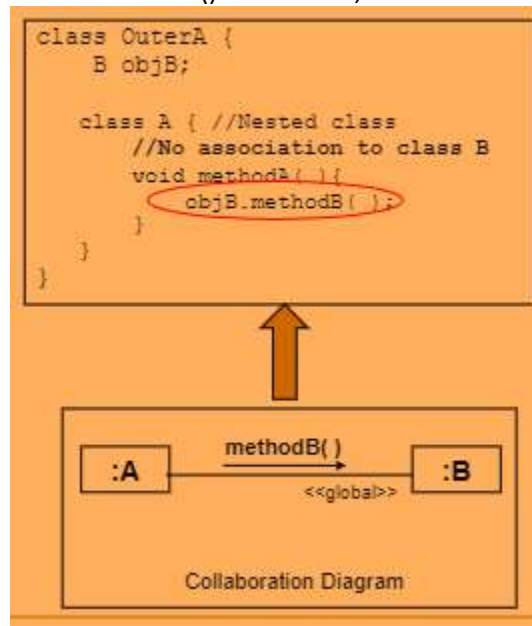


- Association Role: Local Instantiation
  - Implementations of operations can make local instances of any class
  - Sending messages to these objects during the execution of the operation is now possible
  - Link corresponding to a local var only lasts for the duration of an operation call
  - Syntax: Label with the stereotype <<local>>
  - Local Instantiation: Ex
    - During the execution of methodA(), an object of class A can pass a message to an object of class B, bc a local object is made
    - When methodA() terminates, the link will be gone



- Association Role: Global Var

- If any glbl vars exist and are visible, an object can send messages to an object stored in such a var
- Ex:
  - Java -> nested class
  - C++ -> glbl object pointer
- Syntax: Label with the stereotype <<global>>
- Glbl Var: Ex
  - During the execution of methodA(), and object of class A can pass a message to an object of class B, bc an attribute of the parent class is accessible to all nested classes
  - When methodA() terminates, the link remains

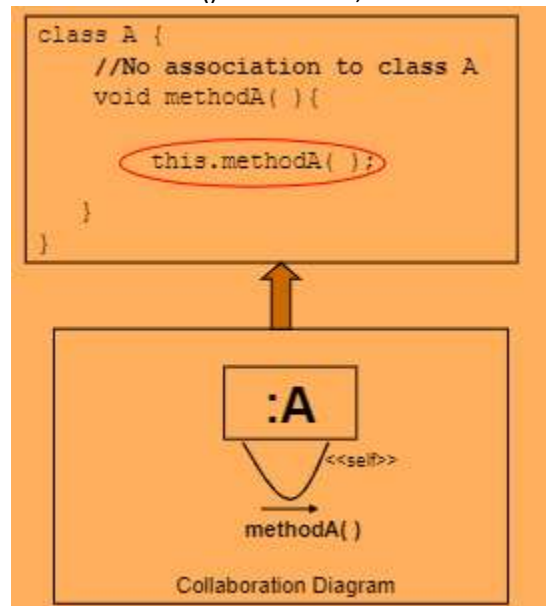


- Association Role: Self-Directed

- Object can always send messages to itself, even though no explicit 'link to self' is defined
- In pgrming langs, capability given by defining a pseudo-var called this or self
- Syntax: Label with stereotype <<self>>
- Self-Directed: Ex
  - During the execution of methodA(), an object of class A can send messages to itself, bc

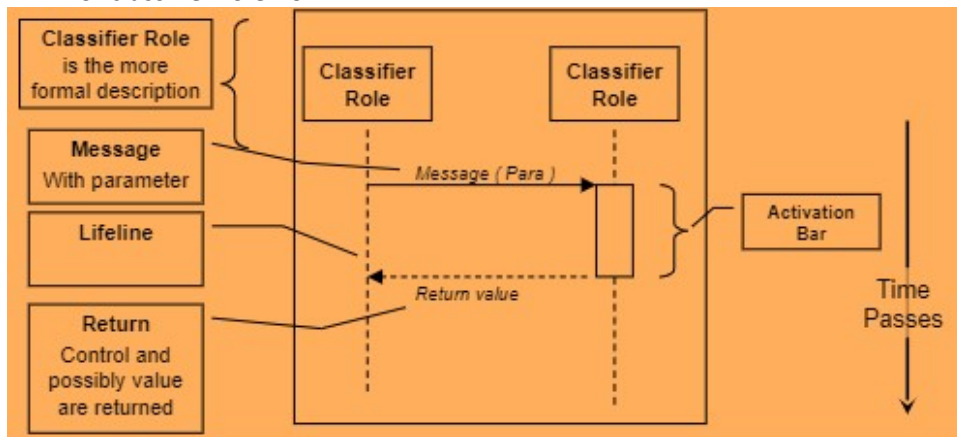
a self-reference (in java, it is keyword 'this') is always available

- When methodA() terminates, the link remains



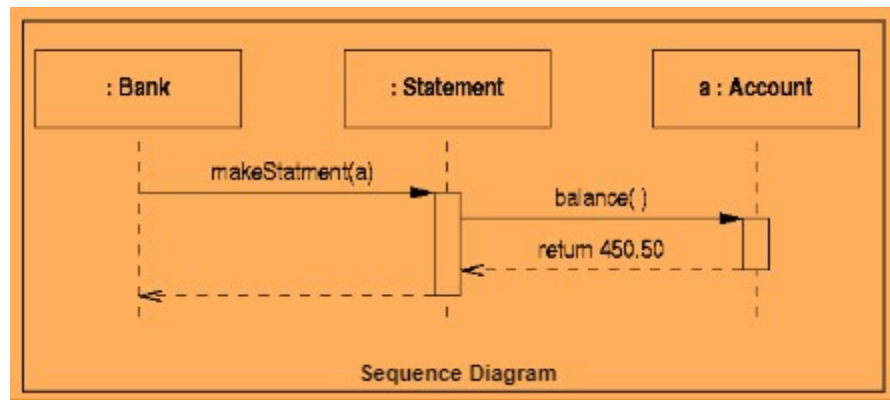
- Sequence Diagram: Review

- Think of classifier role now

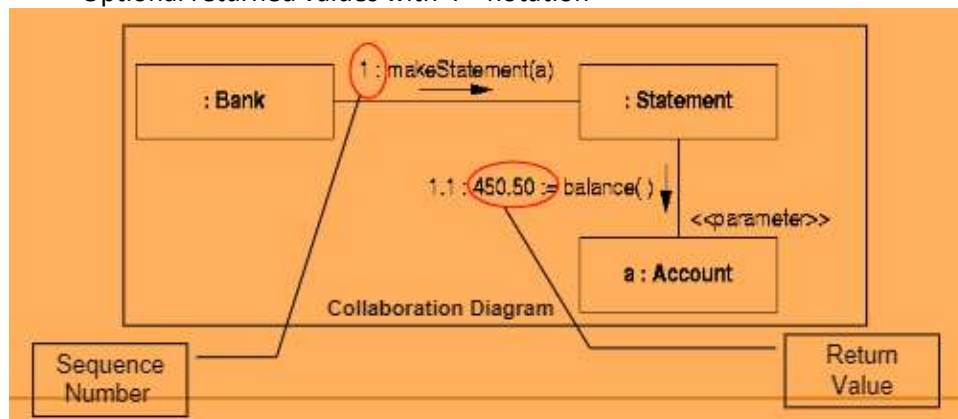


- Sequence Diagrams

- Time when object is processing a message called activation
  - Syntax: narrow rectangle, top is connected to a message
- When an object finishes processing a message, the ctrl returns to the sender of the message
  - Syntax: dashed arrow from the bottom of activation rectangle back to lifeline of the role that sent the message
- The messages with solid arrowhead denote synchronous messages, like normal procedure calls (object that sends the message is suspended until the called object returns the ctrl to the caller)
- Simple Ex:
  - *Statements* are to be printed for bank accounts: *Bank* passes the relevant *Account* to a *Statement* object for printing

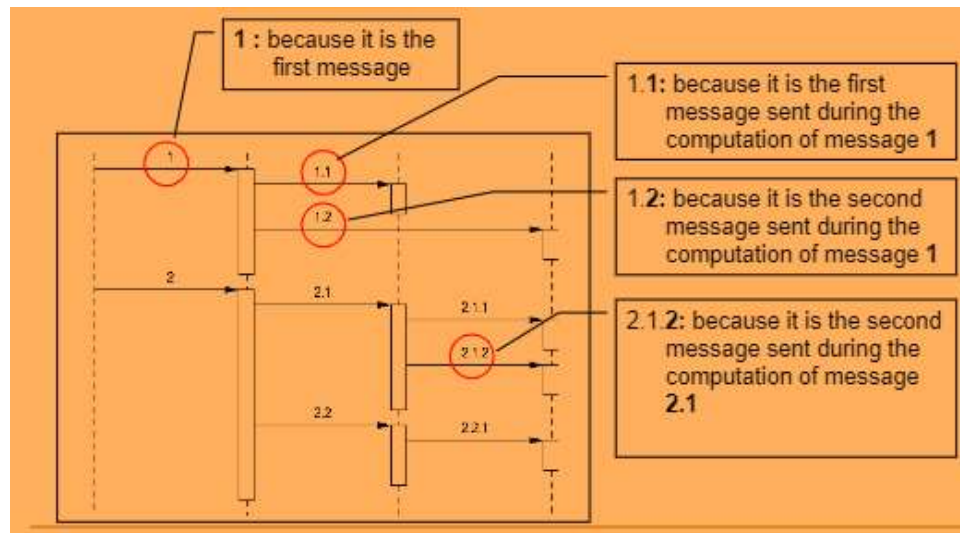


- Missing?
  - Link btwn classifier roles not indicated
    - How can a *statement* object contact the relevant *account* object
    - Have to read the diagram carefully to deduce that the link may be established by the parameter
    - Some cases, such deductions impossible/prone to error when info not enough
  - Collaboration diagram can show the same exchange, but also includes the association role used for communication
- Collaboration Diagram
  - Show classifier and association roles
  - Compared with diagram (slide 28, ^) messages also have
    - Sequence numbers to indicate order
    - Optional returned values with '=' notation



- Collaboration vs Sequence Diagrams
  - Unlike sequence diagrams, collaborations diagrams show association role
  - Message sequence cannot be shown graphically and messages numbered to indicate the order which they sent
  - Messages can be numbered sequentially, but more commonly a hierarchical numbering scheme used (like reflect the nesting activation made explicit in sequence diagrams)
- Hierarchical Numbering
  - W/ each activation, messages numbered sequentially (start from 1)
  - Unique label can be made for each message by adding the number of the message to the end of the number of the activation sending the message
  - Syntax uses a "."
    - Used to separate the numbers
    - Used to reflect that another level of nesting of ctrl flow has been initiated
  - Hierarchical Numbering Ex:





- Interaction Diagram: Additional Notations

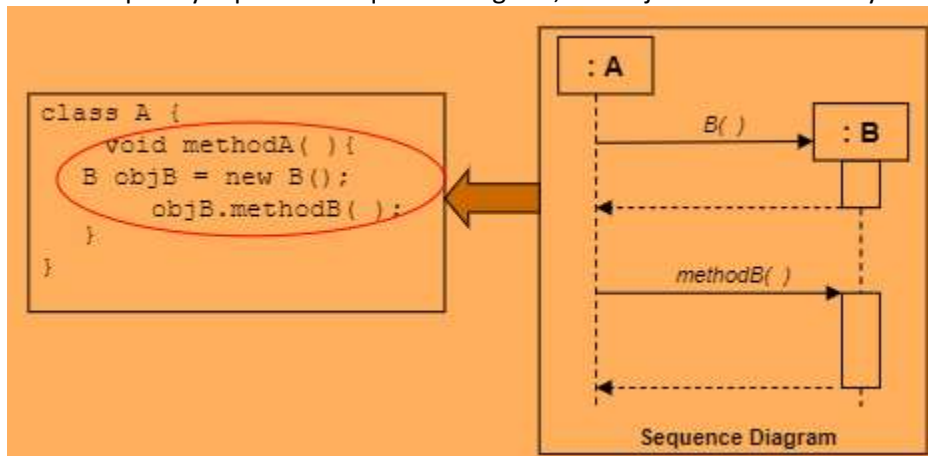
- Subsequent examples illustrate the notations for:

- object creation
- Object destruction
- Iterated messages
- Multiobjects
- Conditional messages
- Message to self

- Need to take note of how to portray certain interactions in both SD (sequence diagrams) and CD (collaboration diagram)

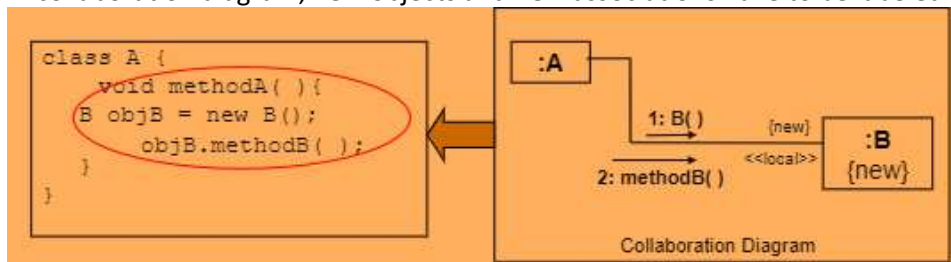
- Sequence Diagram: Object Creation

- Time is explicitly represented in a sequence diagram, the object creation is easy to draw



- Collaboration Diagram: Object creations

- In collaboration diagram, new objects and new associations have to be labeled with {new}

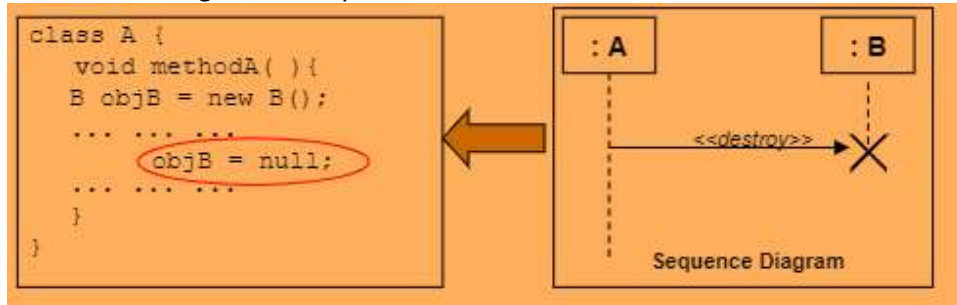


- Sequence diagram: Object Destruction

- In languages w/ auto garbage collection (java), can't explicitly delete an object
- Instead, remove all references to the object for auto garbage collection



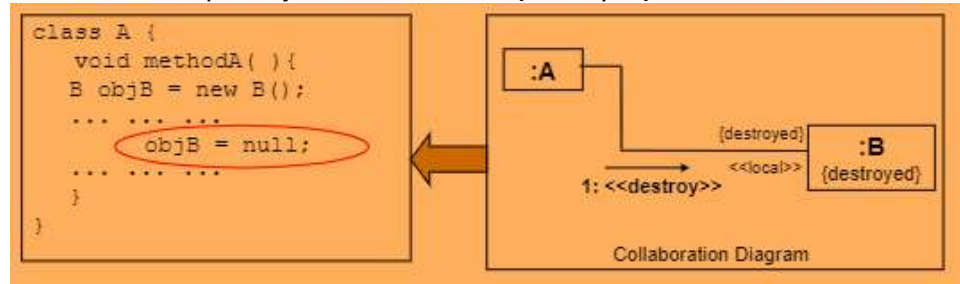
- Label the message <<destroy>>



- Collaboration Diagram: Object Destruction

- In a Collaboration Diagram:

- Similar, label messages <<destroy>>
- Label the destroyed objects and links with {destroyed}

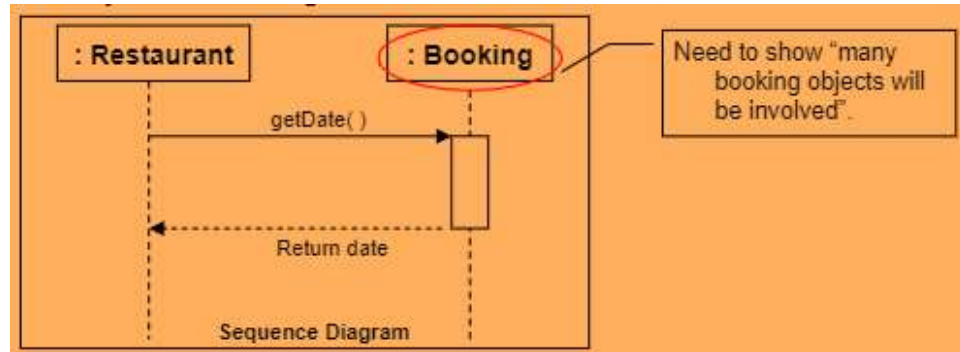


- Role Multiplicity

- Num of objects playing a role can vary from 1 occasion to another

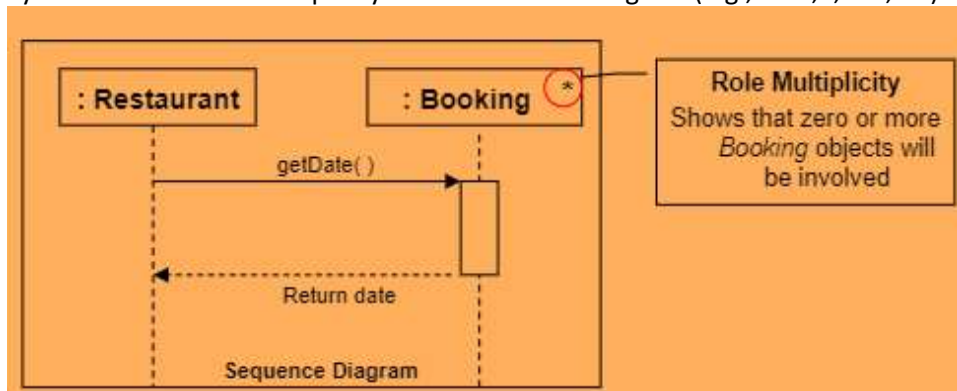
- Ex: restaurant case study

- Looking for bookings for a certain date depends on how many total bookings are there



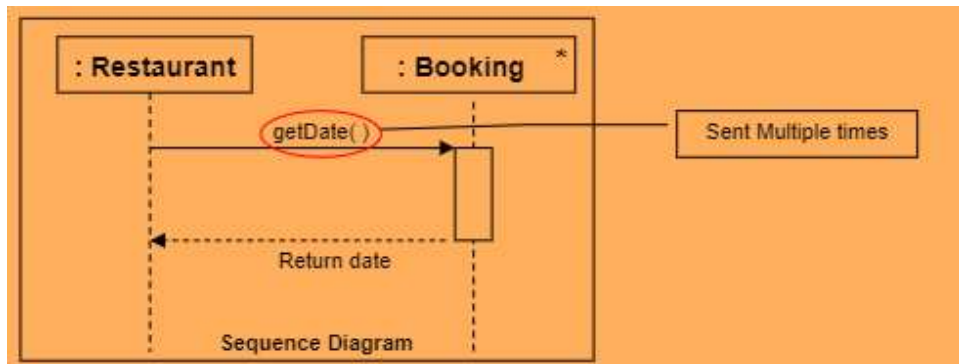
- Roles mult can be added to a classifier role to indicate num of objects involved

- Syntax: same as the multiplicity notation in class diagram (e.g., 1..8, \*, 2..\*, etc)



- Notation is same as both *Sequence Diagram* and *Collaboration Diagram*

- However, the fact that the message is iterated is still not represented



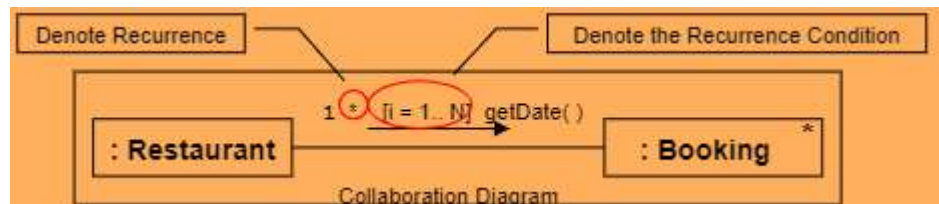
- Iterated Messages

- Clarify this by:

- Adding a multiplicity to the affected role
    - Specifying that the message is iterated

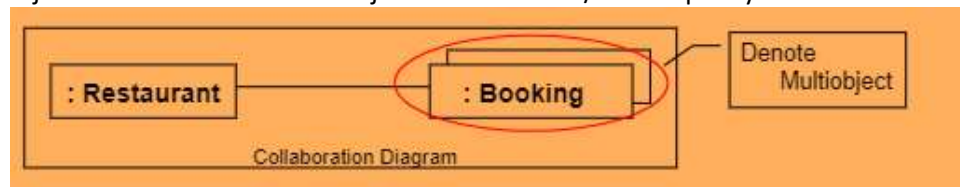
- Syntax: recurrence consists in '\*' written after the sequence number, possibly followed by an iteration clause, no formal syntax for iteration clause, Pseudo code-like condition usually used, (e.g., [i = 1...N] or [i = 1 to N])

- Ex:

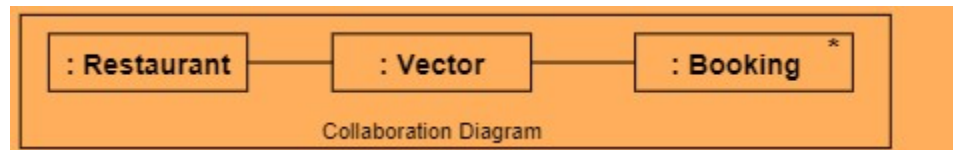


- Multiobject

- Multiobject denotes collection of objects: it is a role w/ a multiplicity of 0 or more



- Implies an intermediate data structure



- Property of Multiobject

- Using a multiobject prevents a premature commitment to a particular data structure:

- Ex: What if *vector* is not a good data structure for this case?

- Semantically, a multiobject is a **single** object rep a collection of objects

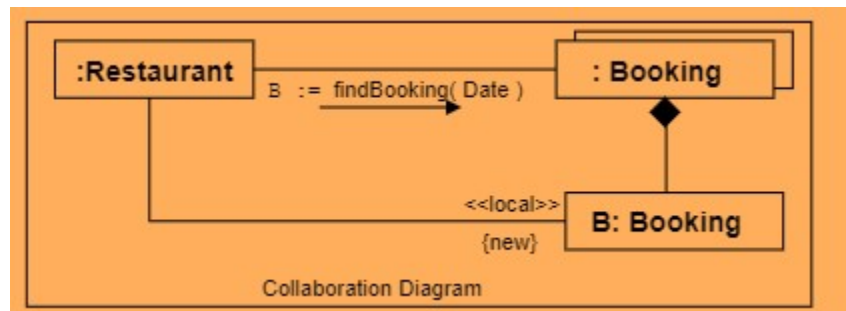
- Single message sent to it implies an operation involving the collection of objects

- Good ex of this op is looking for a certain object in collection

- Multiobject Ex:

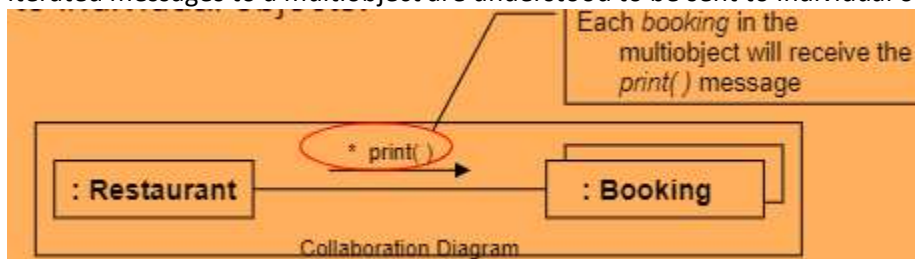
- Assume there is only one booking per date to simplify the discussion

- Singl message *findBooking(Date)* sent to the Booking multiobject
    - Multiobject inspects all its *Booking* objects and returns the appropriate booking *B* (to indicate that *B* is not a new object, but one from the multiobject, composition link used)
    - *Restaurant* stores *B* as a local reference for subsequent ops



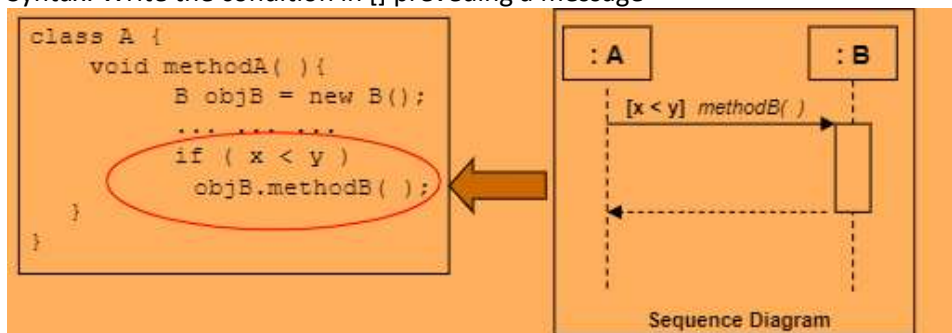
- Multiobjects: Message for all Objects

- Send a message to all objects in the multiobject:
  - Send single message to the multiobject
  - Multiobject goes thru some iterative process and sends the message to each object in the collection
- By convention, such interactions can be abbreviated by using iterative messages
- Iterated messages to a multiobject are understood to be sent to individual objects



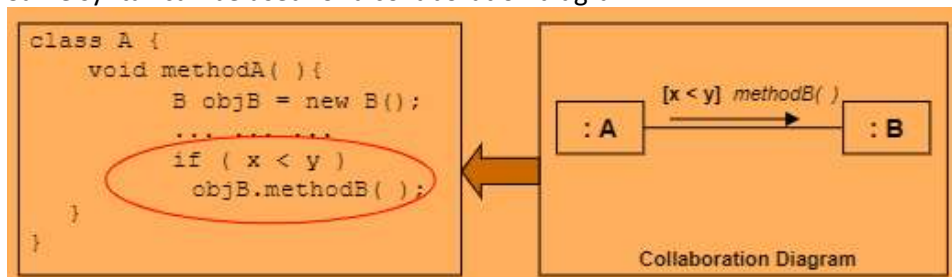
- Sequence Diagram: Conditional Message

- *Conditions* can be added to messages to show the situations when they are sent
- Syntax: Write the condition in [] preceding a message



- Collaboration Diagram: Conditional Message

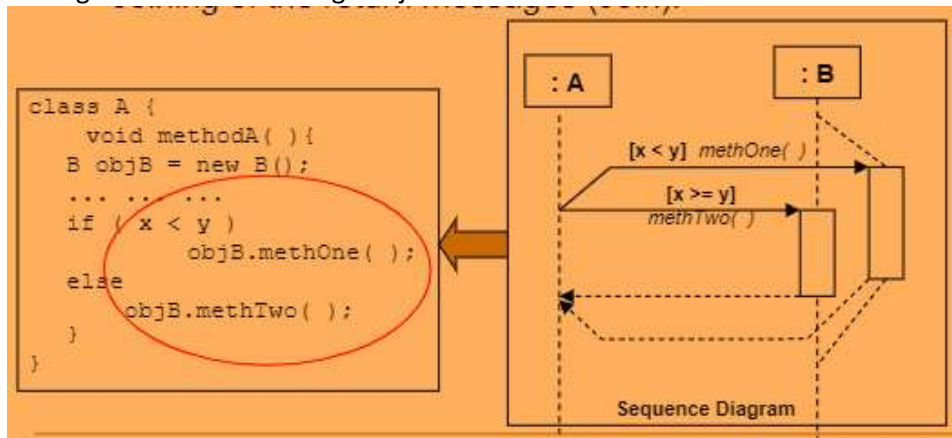
- Same syntax can be used for a collaboration diagram



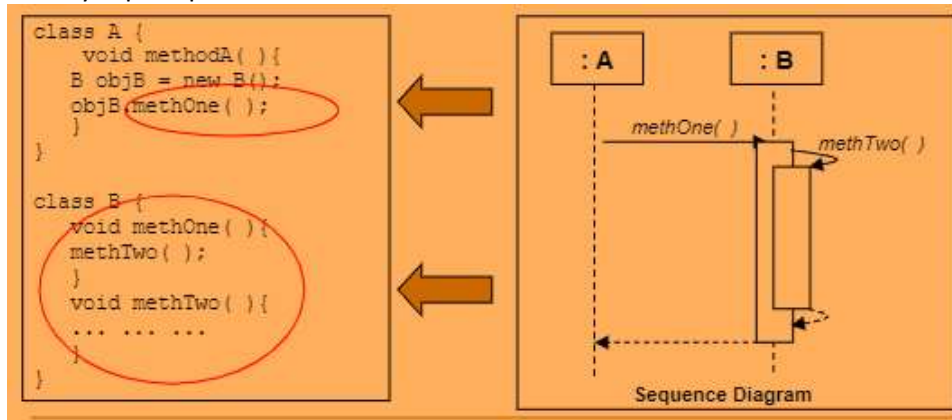
- Alternative Flows

- Sequence diagrams can show alternative message sequences in one diagram:
  - 2 or more messages start at same point (fork)
  - They are distinguished by conditions (only one will be sent)
  - Return messages come together later (join)
  - Objects that receive messages may need branching lifelines to rep alternative possibilities

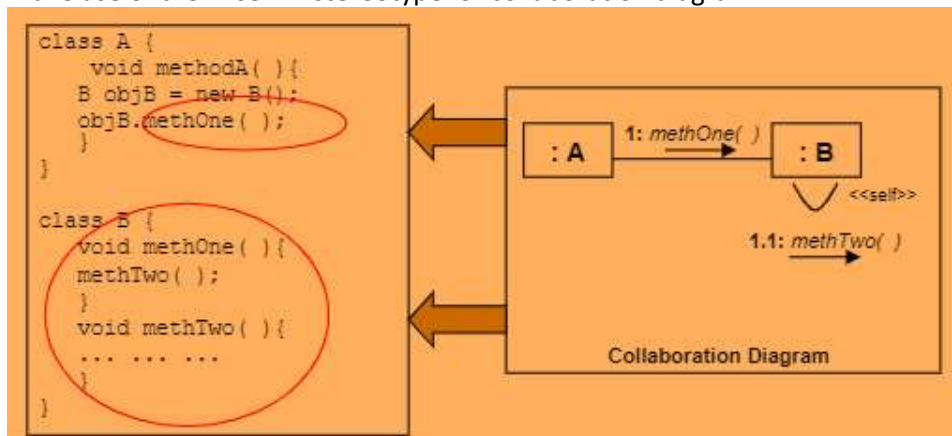
- Should draw 2 sep diagrams instead
- Sequence Diagram: Alternative flow
  - Pay attention
  - Branching of the messages = fork
  - Joining of the return messages = join



- Sequence Diagram: Message to Self
  - An object can send message to itself: invoking another operation on its own
  - Usually reps implementation details



- Collaboration Diagram: Message to Self
  - Make use of the <<self>> stereotype for collaboration diagram

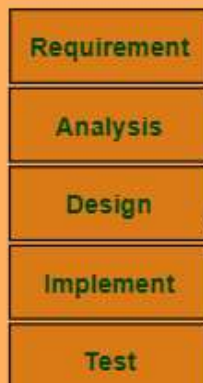


# Summary

- Interactions diagrams

- Collaborations, classifier and association roles
- Interaction diagrams, object creation and destruction
- Role multiplicity and iterated messages
- Multi-objects
- Conditional messages, messages to self

## Where are we now?



- Topics Covered:

- Detailed Class Diagram
- Object Diagram
- Collaboration Diagram
- Sequence Diagram

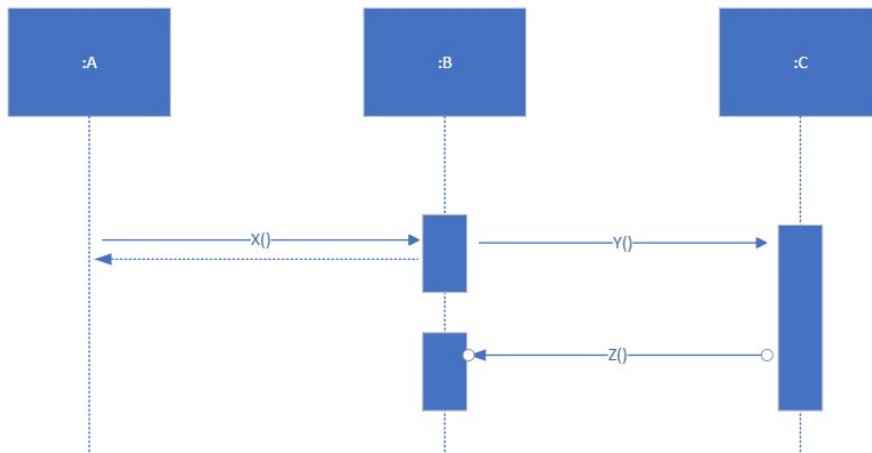
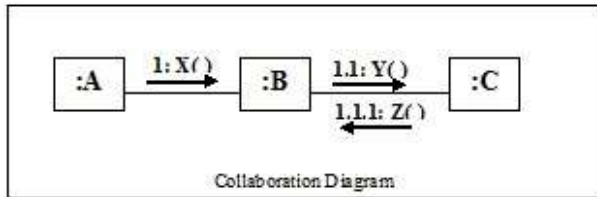
# L7 Assessment

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## Question 1

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Draw a sequence diagram corresponding to the collaboration diagram below:



## Question 2

10 Points

**(Exercise 9.7 of [Priestley; 2004])** The code below shows a class `DataSet`, which provides basic statistical functionality on a set of data, and a class `ExamMarks`, which uses `DataSet` to store and work out the average of a set of exam marks. The main function shown reads in two marks and uses `ExamMarks` to store them and print out the average. Draw a sequence diagram showing the interaction that takes place when the main function executes.



```

class DataSet
{
    private float data[] ;
    private int items ;

    public DataSet() {
        data = new float[256] ;
        items = 0 ;
    }

    public void addDataPoint(float d) {
        data[items++] = d ;
    }

    public float mean() {
        float total = 0 ;
        for (int i = 0; i < getSize(); i++) {
            total += data[i] ;
        }
        return total / getSize() ;
    }

    public int getSize() {
        return items;
    }
}

class ExamMarks
{
    private DataSet marks ;

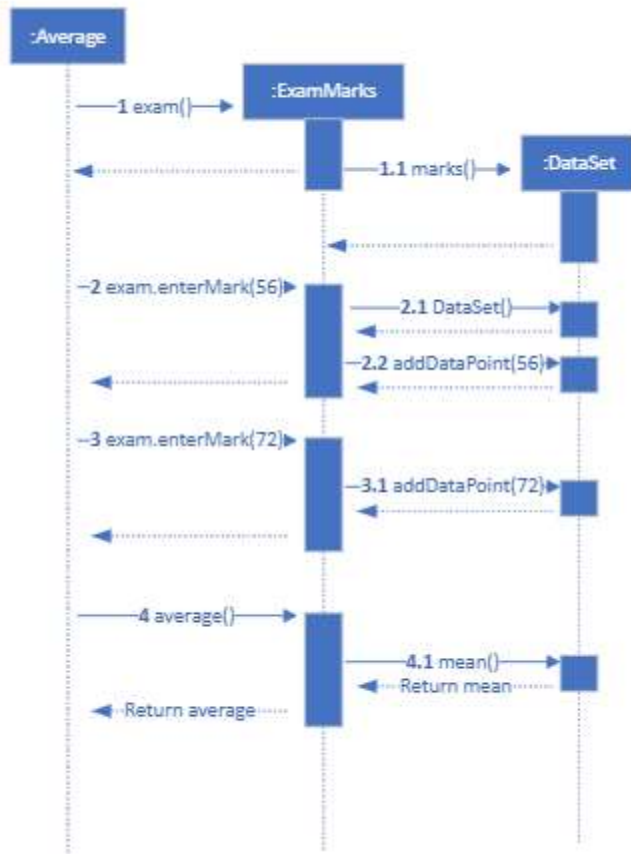
    public void enterMark(float m) {
        if (marks == null) {
            marks = new DataSet() ;
        }
        marks.addDataPoint(m) ;
    }

    float average() {
        return marks.mean() ;
    }
}

public class Average
{
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        ExamMarks exam = new ExamMarks() ;
        exam.enterMark(56) ;
        exam.enterMark(72) ;
        System.out.println(exam.average()) ;
    }
}

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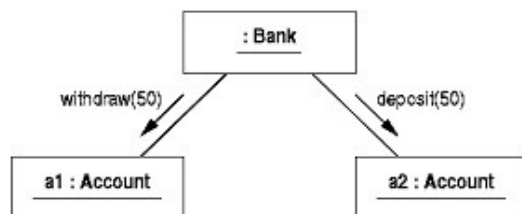
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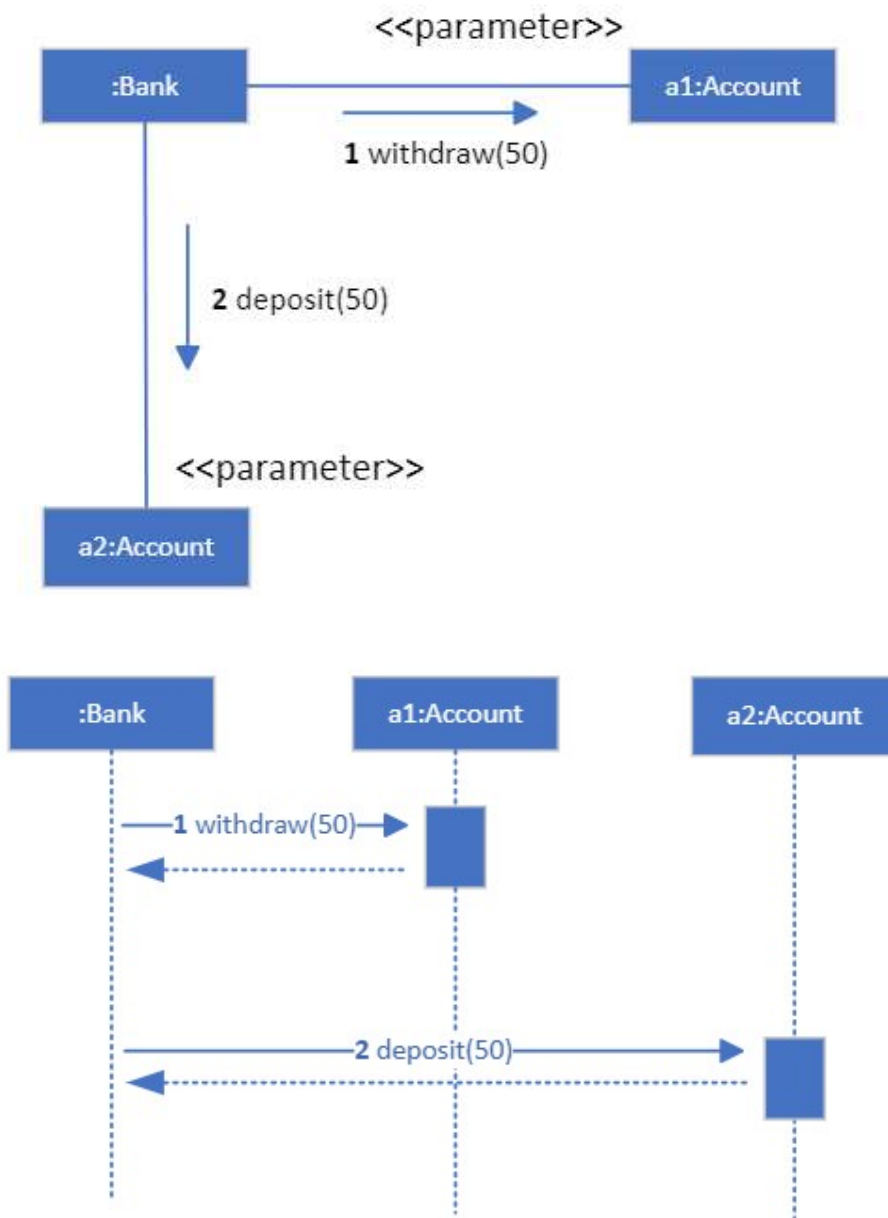
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**(Exercise 9.1 of [Priestley; 2004])** Suppose that in a banking system a transfer is carried out in the following way: a transfer object is created to control the interaction, and the two accounts and the amount to be transferred are then passed as parameters to a 'doTransfer()' method in the transfer object. Draw a collaboration diagram, based on the below object diagram, illustrating this interaction. Draw a sequence diagram showing the same interaction and discuss which is the most suitable diagram in this case.



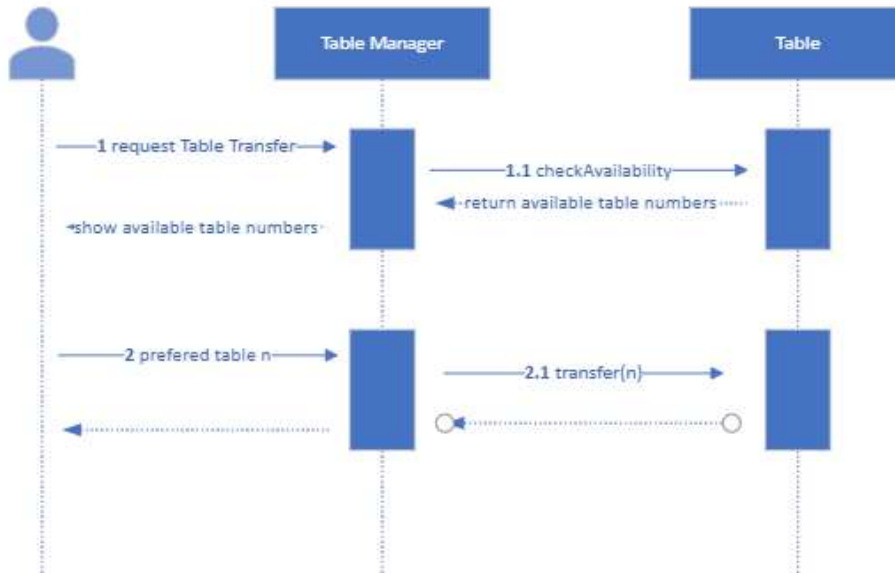
A: The collaboration diagram is more suitable because it is clearer, and it shows the steps in a similar way to the object diagram and the sequence diagram without showing more than needed.



**Question 4**  
**10 Points**

(Exercise 5.8 of [Priestley, 2004]) Produce a sequence diagram showing a realization of the basic course of events for the Table Transfer use case (that is, transferring a customer from one table to another). Assume that a table number is provided as a parameter for a system message transfer( ) and show on your diagram how the table corresponding to this number is identified.

A:



### Question 5

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What is true regarding the classifier roles?

Two classifier roles cannot have the same base class;

A classifier role is a class;

A classifier role is an object;

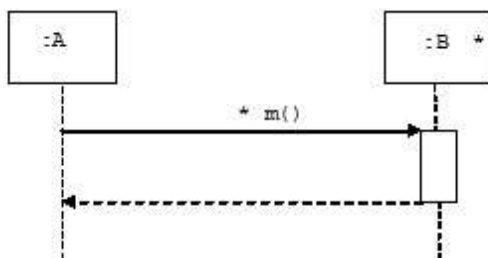
A classifier role defines the role that objects can play in interactions;

None of the above.

### Question 6

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Given the below sequence diagram, what is the meaning of two '\*'s?



They mean that method m() contains a Vector/Array data structure;

They mean there are zero or more associations roles involved;

The '\*' is the box means there are zero or more objects of class B involved, and the other one means method m() is called many times;

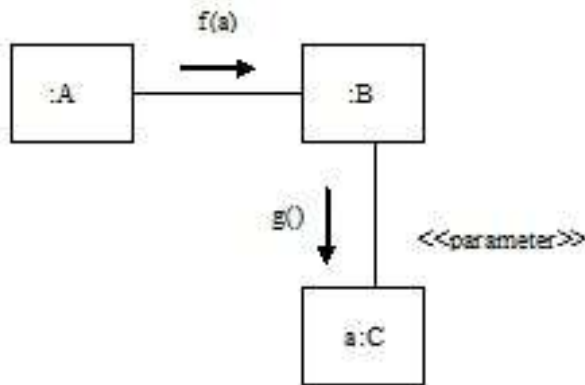
The above sequence diagram is wrong as '\*' appears twice in different contexts;

None of the above.

### Question 7

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Given the below UML diagram, which of the following statements are true?



The stereotype <<parameter>> is incorrectly defined in the object diagram;

The message passing 'f(a)' is incorrectly defined in the class diagram;

The generalization relationship between B and C is incorrectly specified;

Object 'a' is passed as a parameter of a message;

None of the above.