

CS 4320 / 7320

Software Engineering

Week 3 – Design:
UML and Data Models

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Requirements:

- Use Cases and Use Case Diagrams

Design:

- Entity-Relationship Modeling Diagrams

- Class Diagrams

- Activity Diagrams

- Sequence Diagrams

- State Machines

Use Case Diagrams

Gives a *top down perspective* of the system

Shows and describes the *functional requirements* of the system

Does not show the steps to each function or the code

Does not give an order to the system

Describes the *typical interactions* between the actors and the system

Use Case Diagrams : Basic Symbols

Actors – **key players** to the system

Use Cases – **key functions** to the system

Included Functions – **required** functions

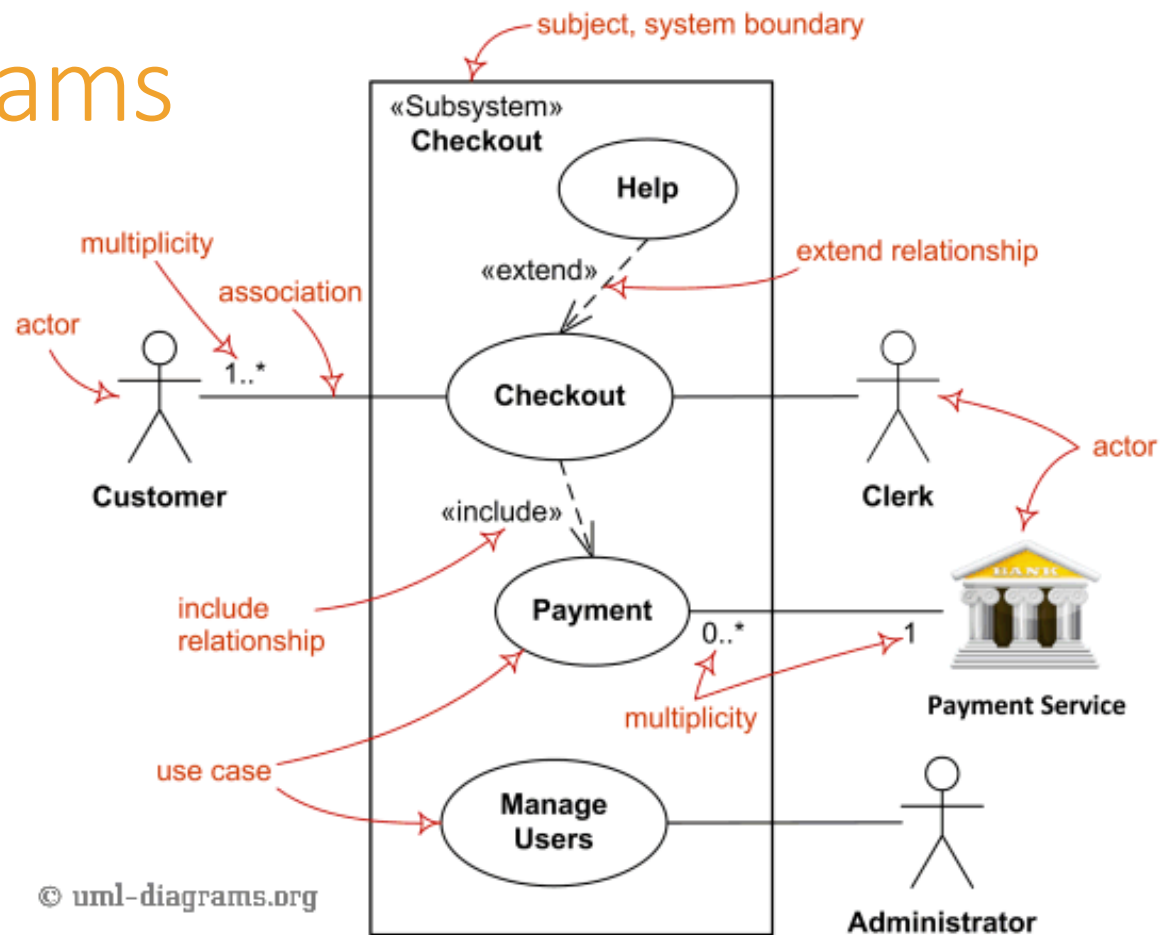
Extended Functions – **optional** functions

Use Case Descriptions

Overall description of the system

Possible situations of the system

Use Case Diagrams



Use Case Descriptions: Typical Elements

Title (active verb phrase, states main goal)

Description

Triggers

Actors

Preconditions

Main Success Scenario (Goals)

Failed End Condition

Extensions

Steps of Execution (Requirements)

Use Case Example

Writing Effective use Cases by Alistair Cockburn

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(October 15, 2000)

From the pre-publication draft online:
<http://alistair.cockburn.us/get/2465>

USE CASE 1: BUY STOCKS OVER THE WEB

Primary Actor: Purchaser

Scope: Personal Advisors / Finance package ("PAF")

Level: User goal

Stakeholders and Interests:

Purchaser - wants to buy stocks, get them added to the PAF portfolio automatically.

Stock agency - wants full purchase information.

Precondition: User already has PAF open.

Minimal guarantee: sufficient logging information that PAF can detect that something went wrong and can ask the user to provide details.

Success guarantee: remote web site has acknowledged the purchase, the logs and the user's portfolio are updated.

Main success scenario:

1. User selects to buy stocks over the web.
2. PAF gets name of web site to use (E*Trade, Schwabb, etc.) from user.
3. PAF opens web connection to the site, retaining control.
4. User browses and buys stock from the web site.
5. PAF intercepts responses from the web site, and updates the user's portfolio.
6. PAF shows the user the new portfolio standing.

Extensions:

- 2a. User wants a web site PAF does not support:
 - 2a1. System gets new suggestion from user, with option to cancel use case.
- 3a. Web failure of any sort during setup:
 - 3a1. System reports failure to user with advice, backs up to previous step.
 - 3a2. User either backs out of this use case, or tries again.
- 4a. Computer crashes or gets switched off during purchase transaction:
 - 4a1. (what do we do here?)
- 4b. Web site does not acknowledge purchase, but puts it on delay:
 - 4b1. PAF logs the delay, sets a timer to ask the user about the outcome.
 - 4b2. (see use case *Update questioned purchase*)
- 5a. Web site does not return the needed information from the purchase:
 - 5a1. PAF logs the lack of information, has the user *Update questioned purchase*.

Data Modeling

What are the **data entities** of the system?

What are the **attributes** of each entity?

What are the **constraints on the attributes** of the entities?

What can be used to **uniquely identify** entities in the system?

How are the different entities **related**?

Data Modeling

Entity: a person, place, or thing about which we want to collect and store multiple instances of data

Attribute: data that describes the entity

Constraints: specific rules like not null, unique, check constraints (value < 10), default values

Unique identifiers: primary or surrogate key (be careful!)

Data Modeling

Relationships: associations between entities

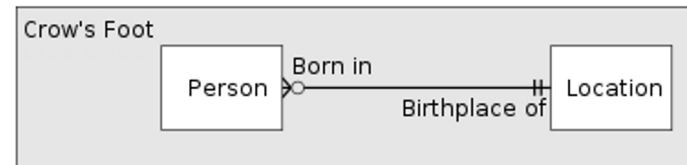
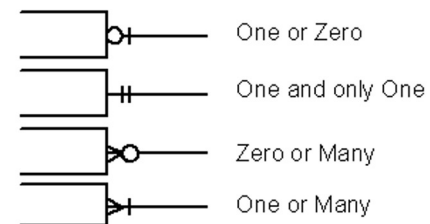
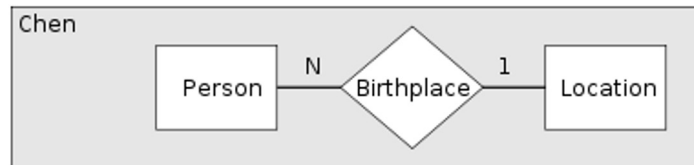
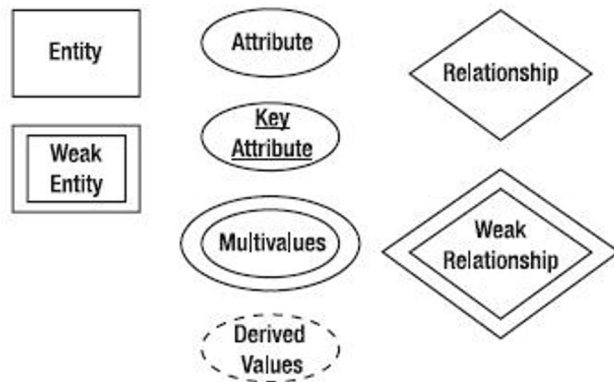
In logical and physical models, requires foreign keys

Cardinality constraints

zero or more; one or more; one and only one; zero or one

ERD: Chen vs. Crow's Foot

ER Diagramming Symbols (Chen Notation)



Object Oriented Design

What

Representing the components of a system as **objects**, which have a strong correlation to real-world **entities**

Modeling the **attributes and actions** of these entities

Modeling their **inter-relationships and associations**

Why

Clear approach to capturing the real-world needs in the model

Straight-forward conversion from model to components

Object Oriented Design

What is an Object?

Some entity that **models a real-world concept** that is either:

- Actor
- Environment
- Entity

Objects are defined by a **Class definition**

- Attributes / Fields / Members / State
- Actions / Methods

An **instantiated** Class is an Object

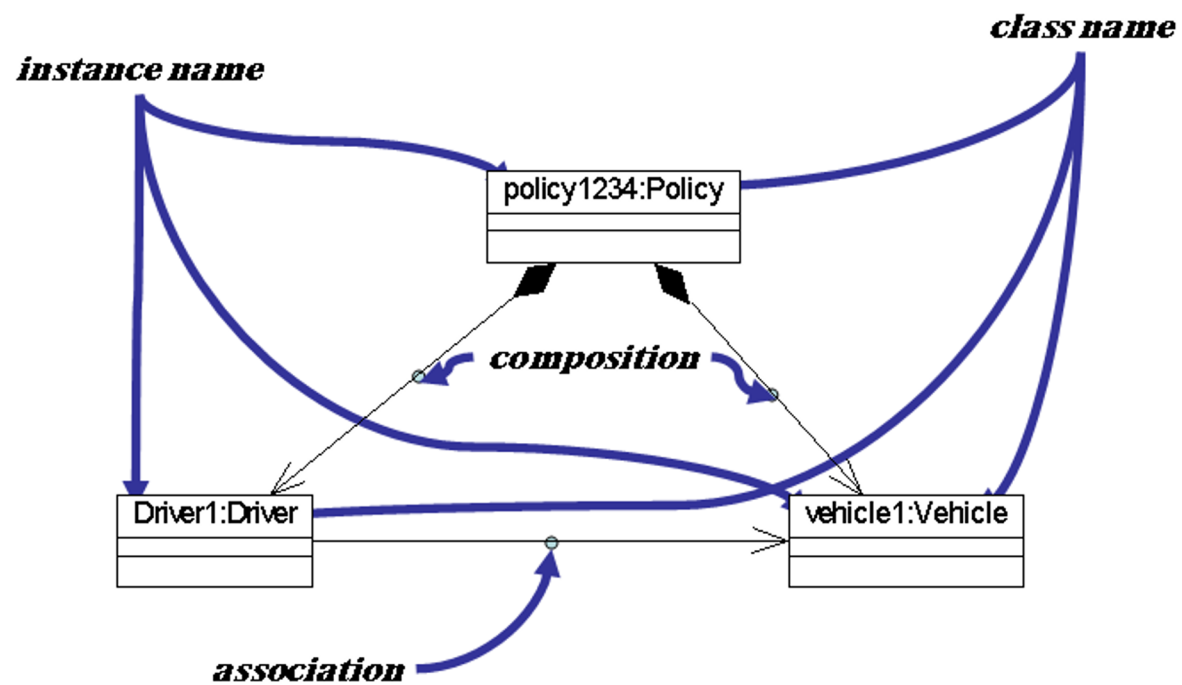
The class is the blueprint!

Object Oriented Design

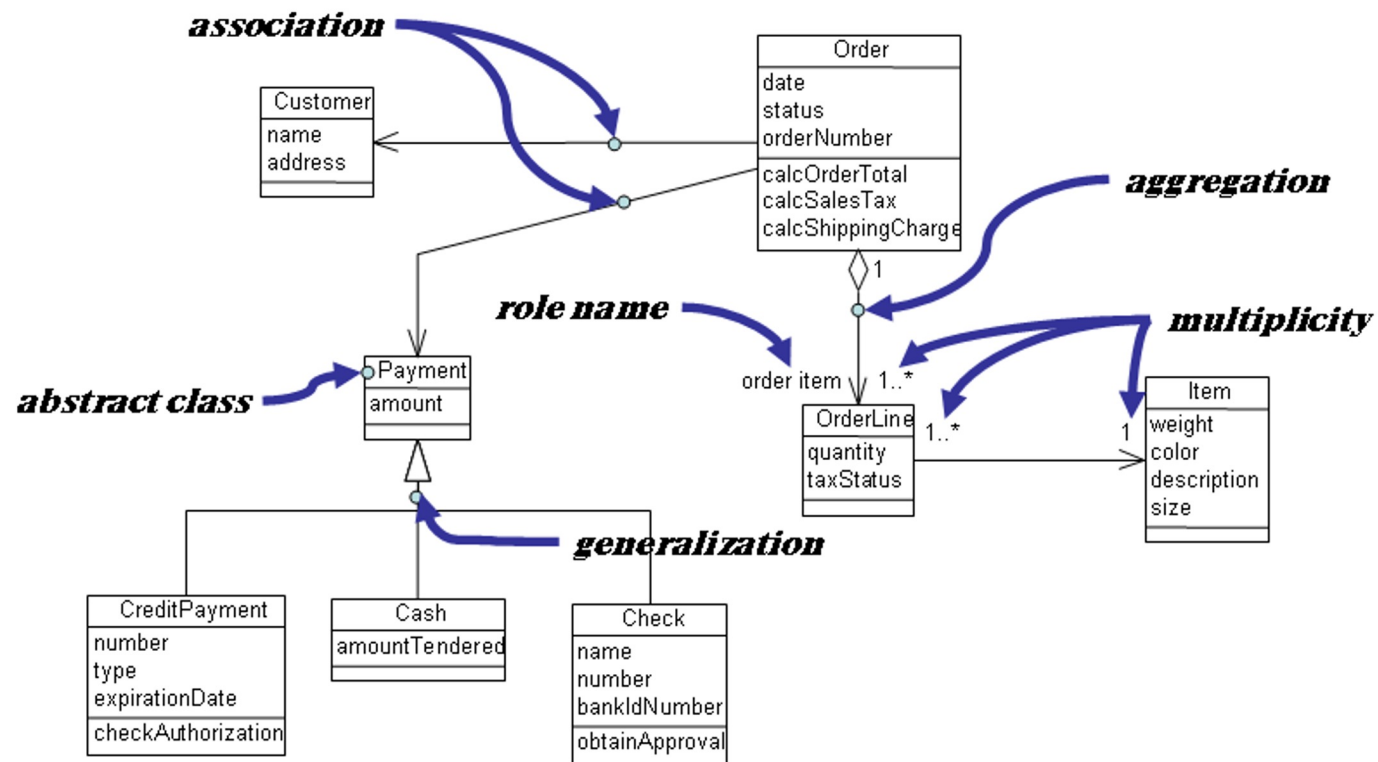
Other topics in OOD:

- *Encapsulation (information hiding)*
- *Abstraction*
- *Inheritance*
- *Polymorphism*

Object Diagram



Class Diagram



UML Class Diagram: HasA

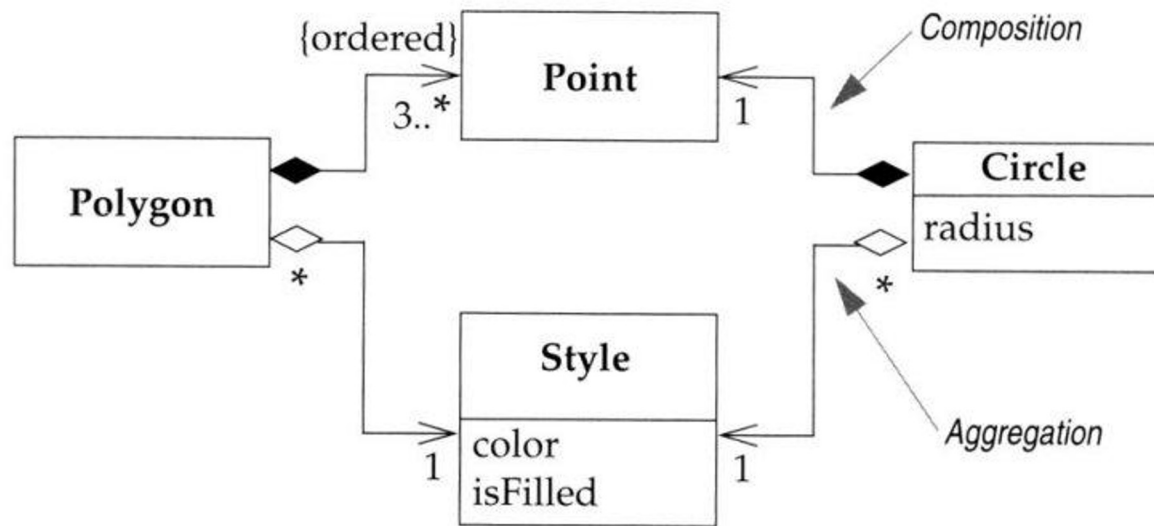
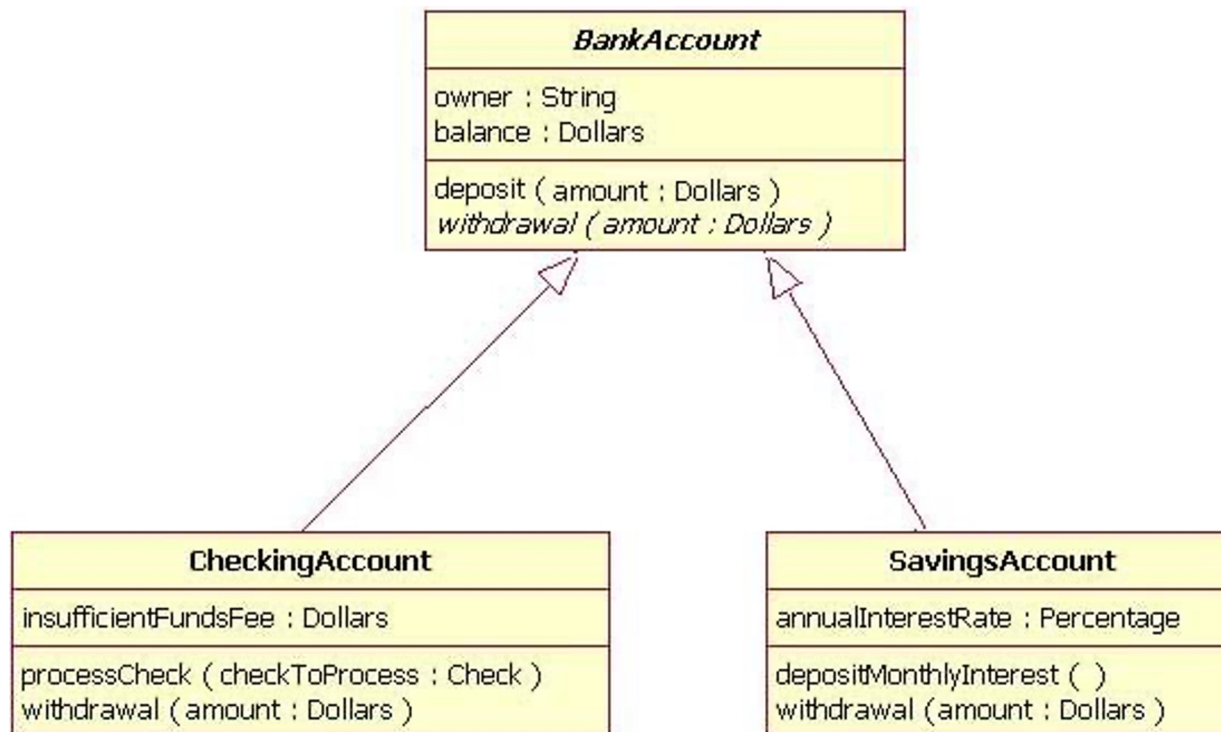


Figure 6-6: Aggregation and Composition

UML Class Diagram: Inheritance



UML Activity Diagrams

Used to describe procedural logic and work flow

Similar to a flowchart

Sometimes used to describe a Use Case

Shows the procedures needed for each Use Case

Supports parallel behavior

UML Activity Diagrams: Symbols

Action

Initial function to describe

Fork / Join

Parallel processes not needed to run in order

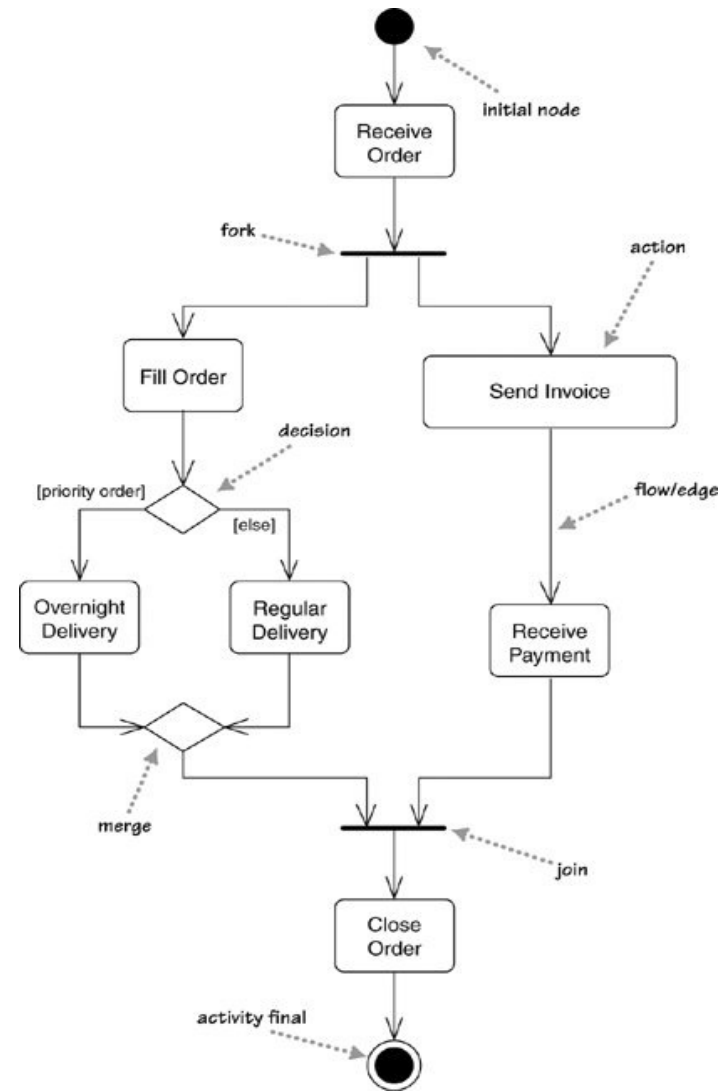
Decision / Merge

Conditional statements

If-then-else statements

Flow / Edges

UML Activity Diagram



UML Sequence Diagram

Interactive Design

- Passes messages between participants (objects)
- Shows the process of a single scenario
- Shows how long each participant is active
- Shows what each participant contributes to the process

UML Sequence Diagram: Symbols

Object

Timeline

How long each object is active

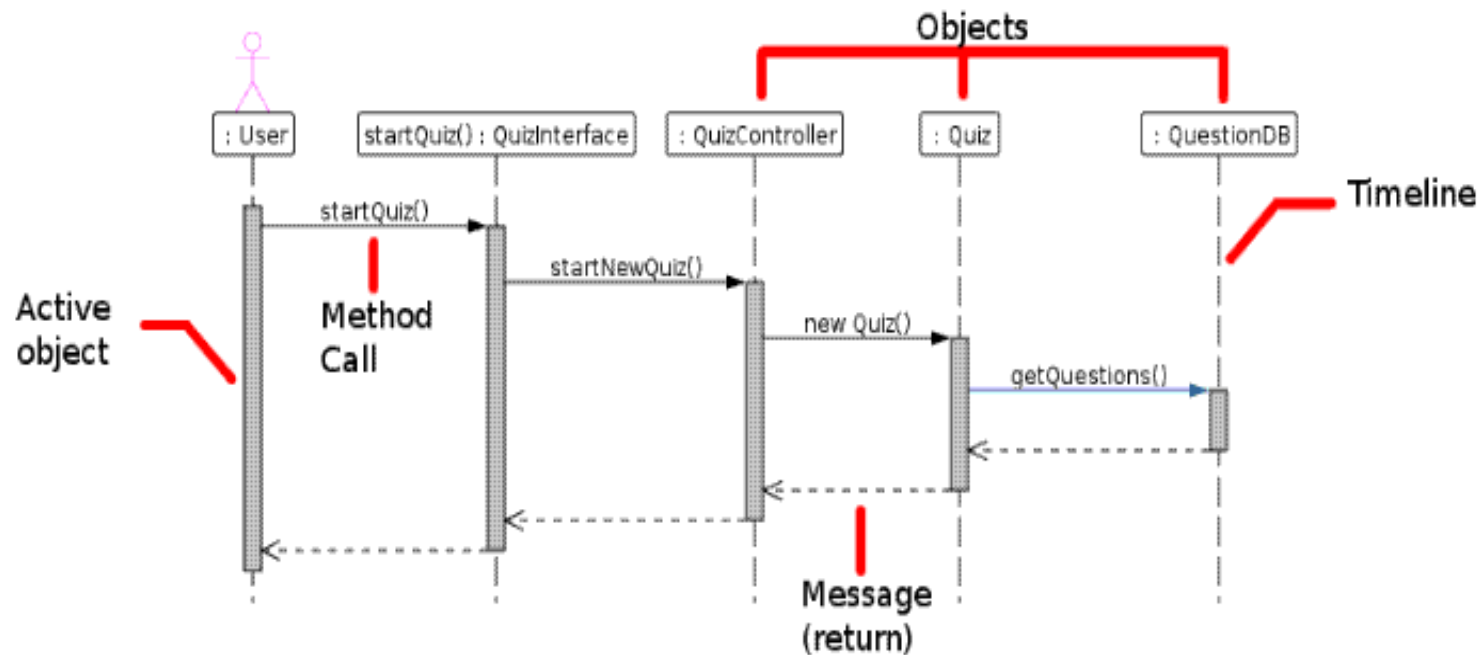
Active Object

Method Call

Reaching the next object with a call

Messages

UML Sequence Diagrams:



UML Sequence Diagram: Advanced Symbols

Creating and Deleting Objects

Objects only last while as an active object

Loops, Conditional Statements

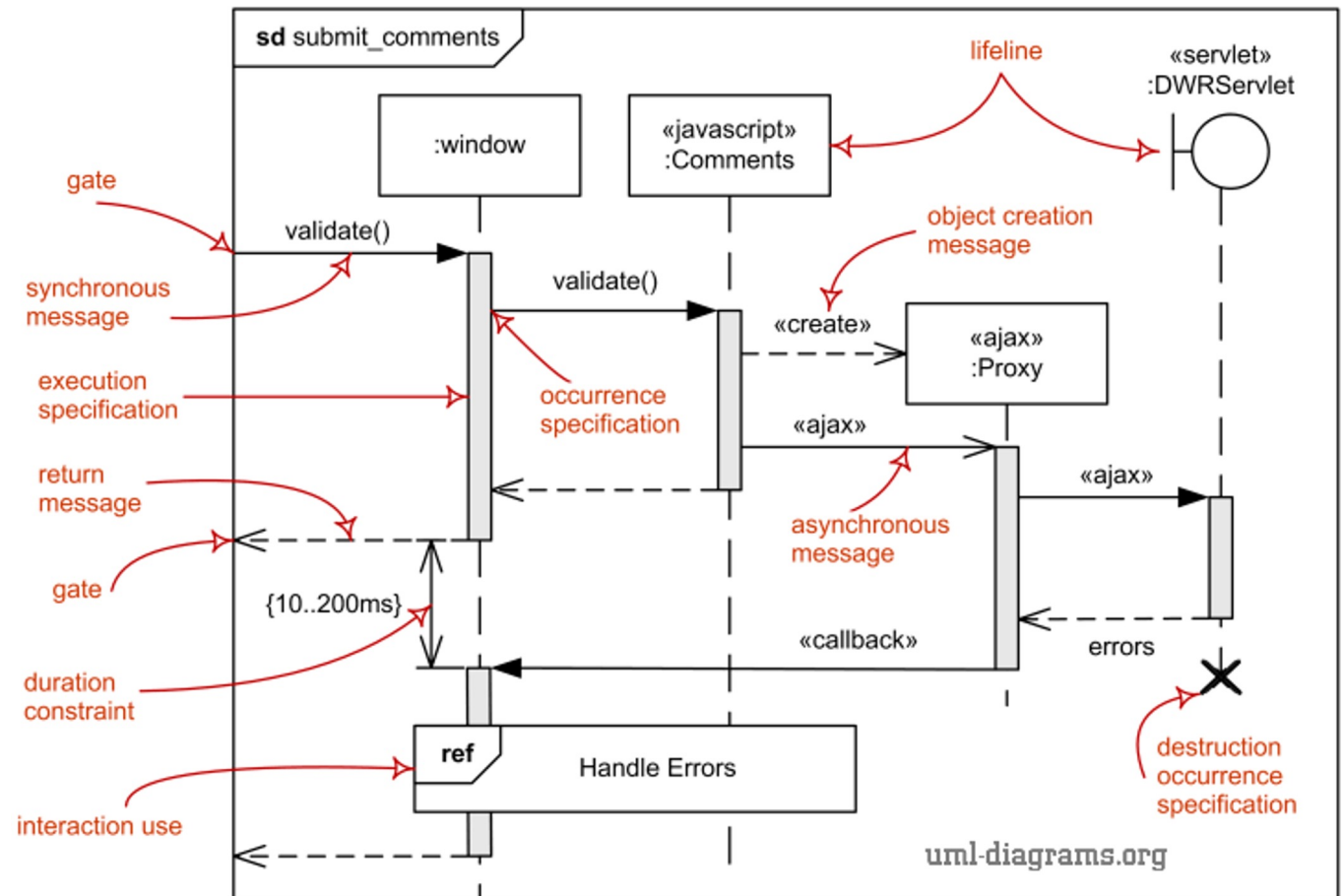
if – then statements

Synchronous and Asynchronous Calls

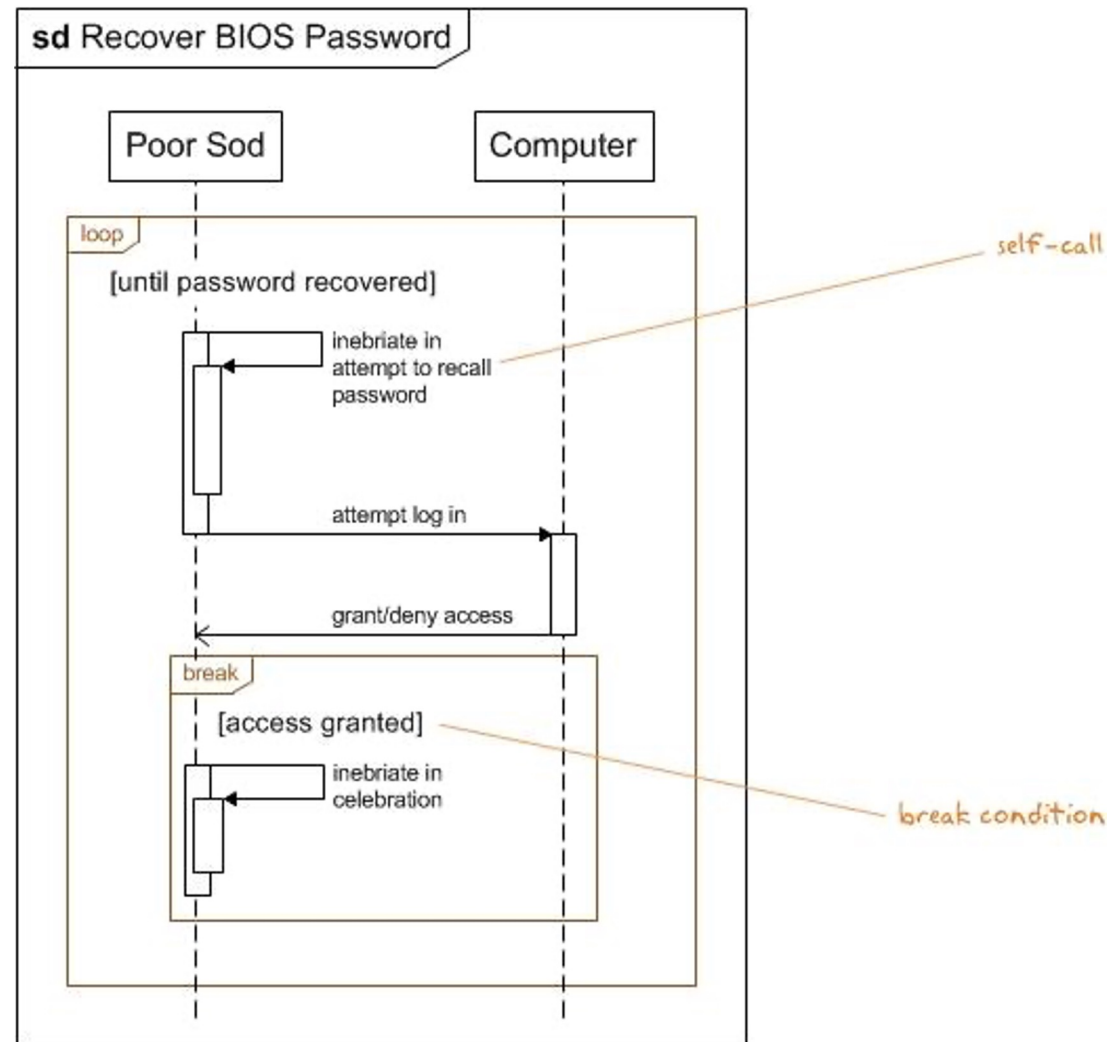
Sending several messages in parallel

Common Operators for Interaction Frames

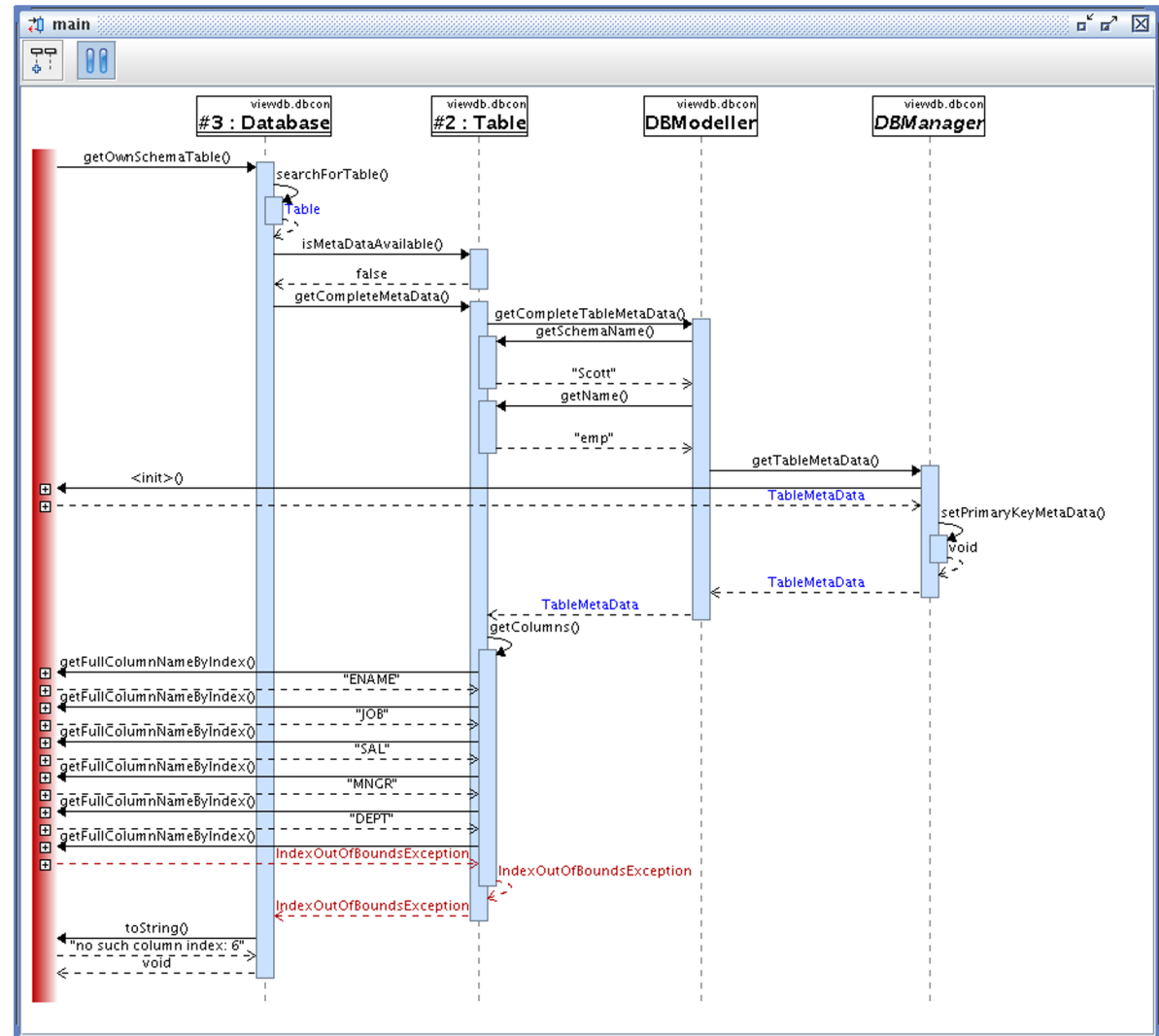
UML Sequence Diagrams



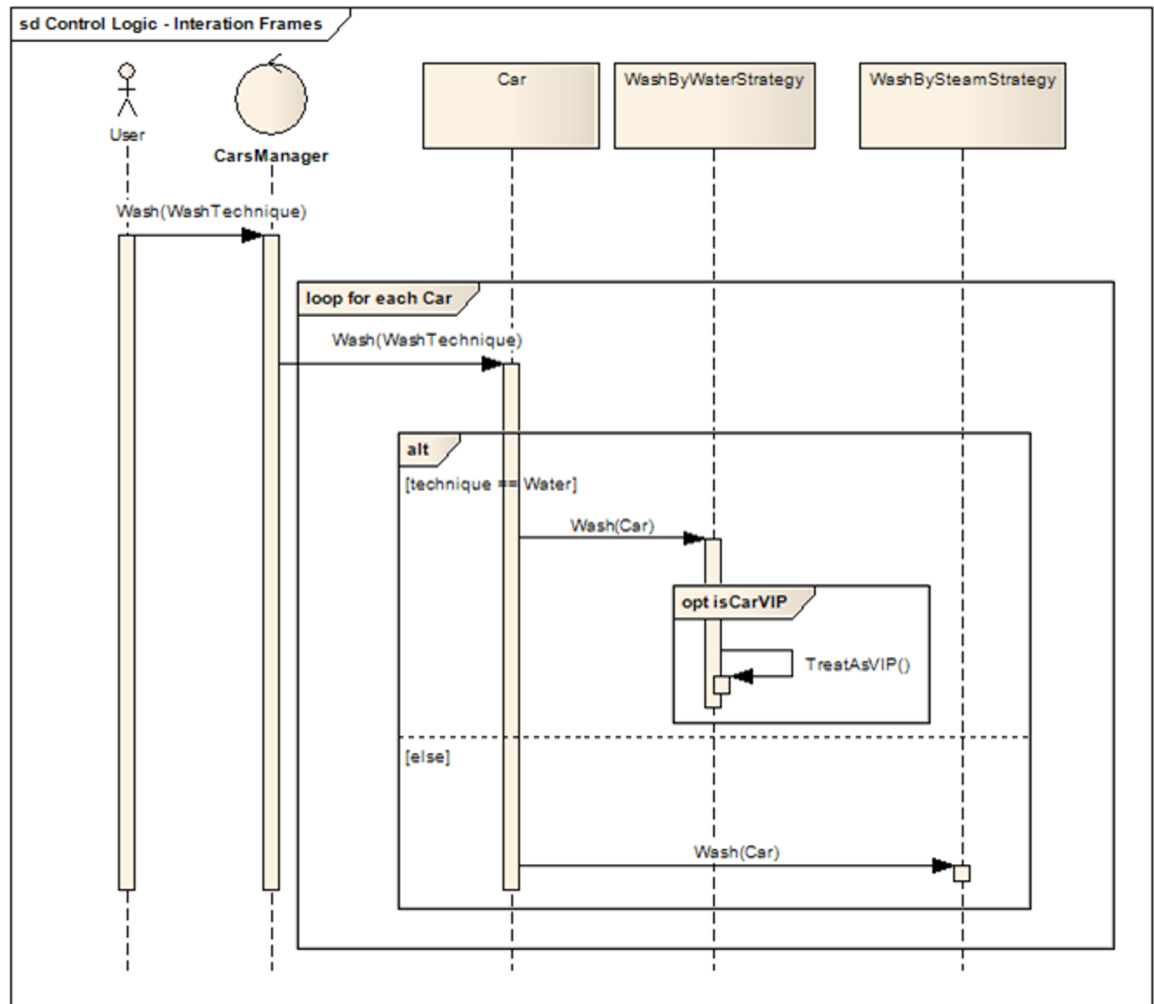
UML Sequence Diagram: Loops



UML Sequence Diagram: Threads



UML Sequence Diagram: Loop/Interaction



UML State Machines

Another way to describe the behavior of a system

Similar style to the Activity Diagrams

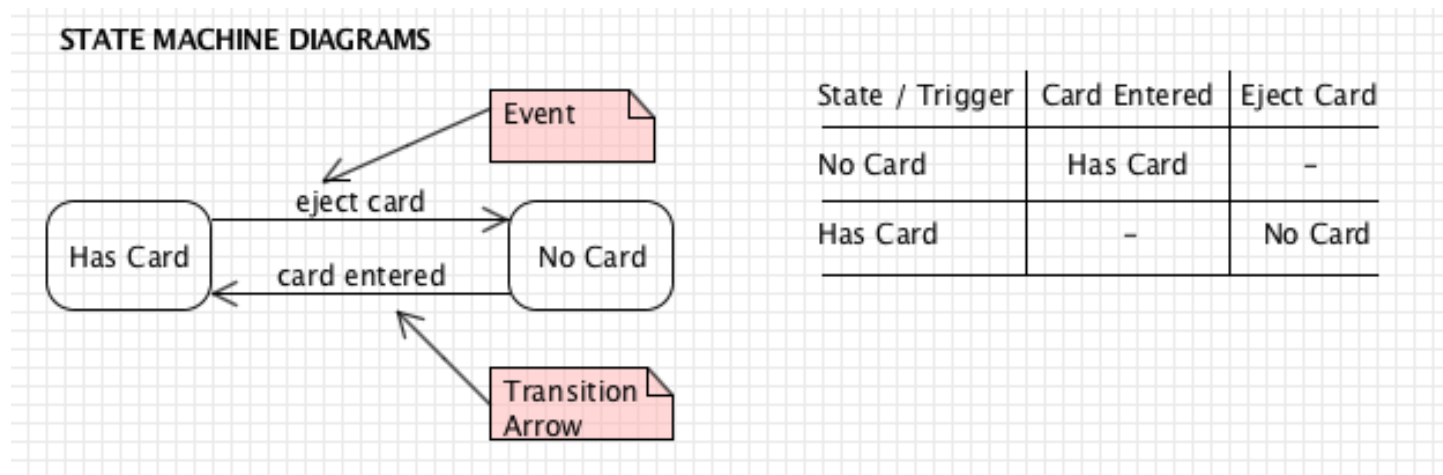
Closest diagram that represents the code

In Object-oriented approaches, the state machine diagram shows the lifetime behavior of a single object

State Machines are good at describing the behavior across several use cases.

UML State Machines: Description/Tables

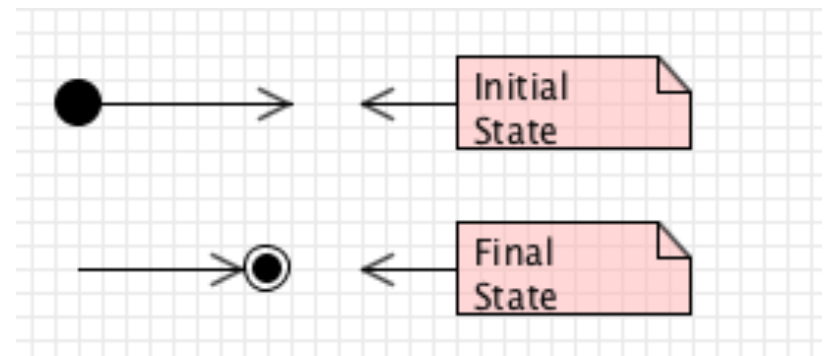
State Machines model the change of states and the events that cause them



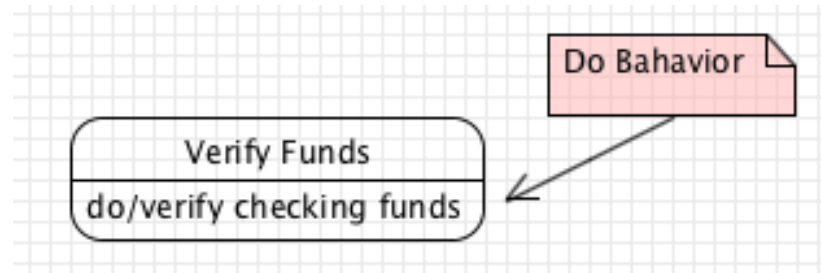
UML State Machines: Basic Symbols

Initial State – Starting Position

Final State – Ending Position



Do Behavior



UML State Machines: Basic Symbols

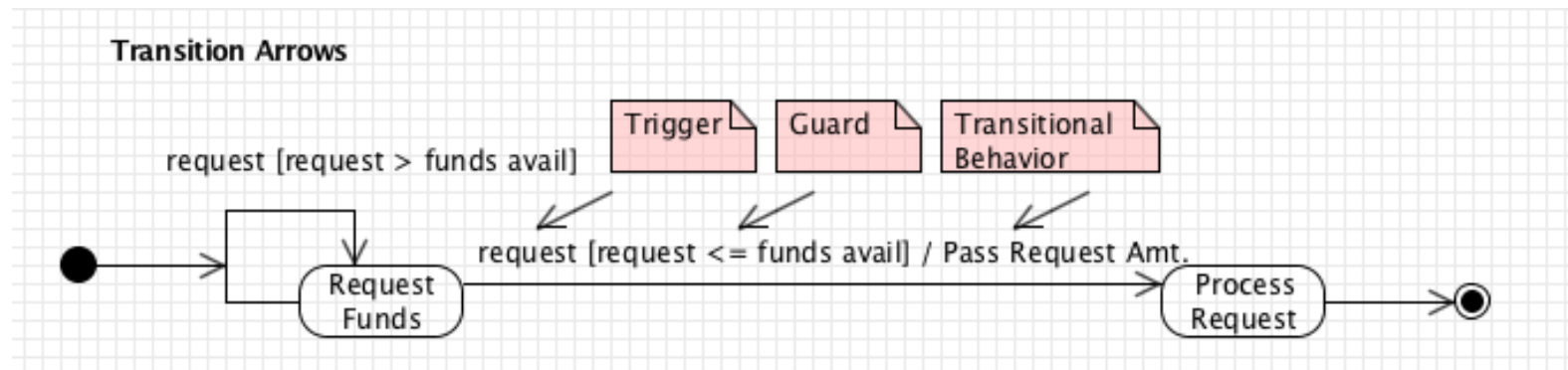
Event / Transition

Transitions from one state to another

Trigger-signature – trigger to change the state

[guard] – Boolean Condition for transition to occur

Activity – Event that happens during transition



UML State Machines: Advanced Symbols

State Internal Behavior

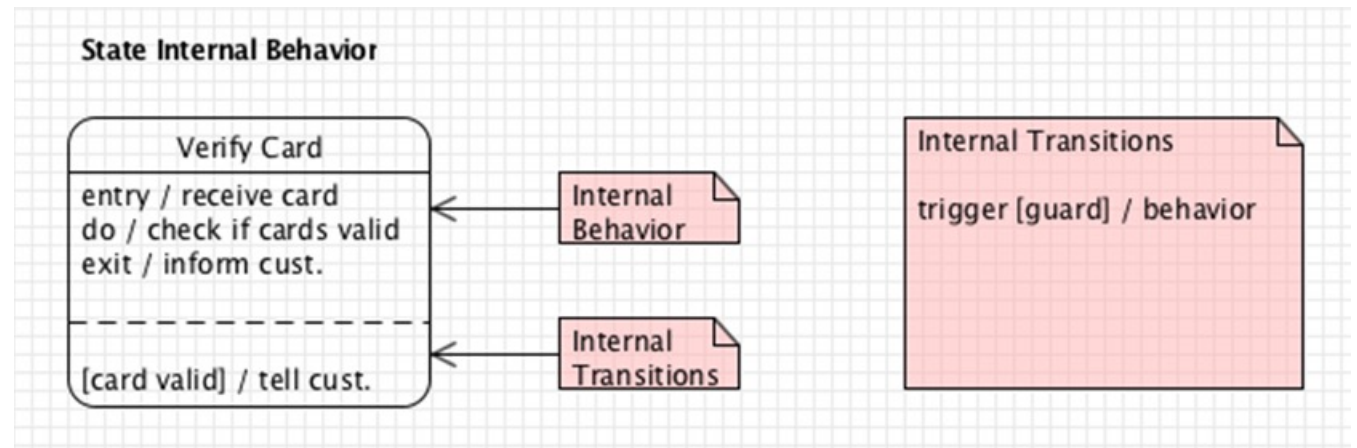
Internal Behavior

Entry Behavior / Exit Behavior

Internal Events / Do Behaviors

Internal Transitions

Transition Label



UML State Machines: Advanced Symbols

Concurrent States

Fork / Join

Concurrent Boundary

Choice Pseudostates
(Boolean decisions)

