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Class diagram and sequence diagram





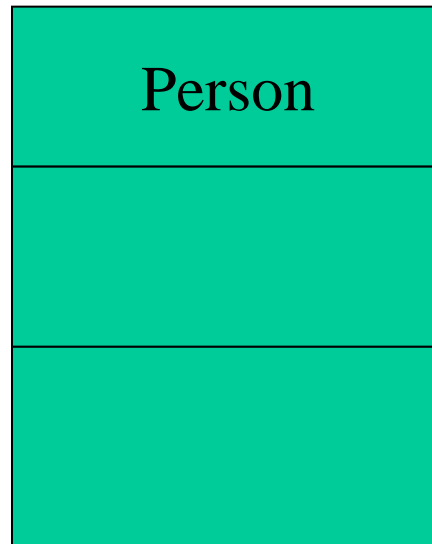
Class diagram

- UML: Unified Modelling Language
- In software engineering, UML was set up as a standardized model to describe an object-oriented based system. Since classes are the building blocks of a system, class diagrams are the building blocks of UML.
- A class diagram is a visual representation that describes the structure of a system by showing the system's class names, their attributes, methods, and the relationships between objects.



Class names

- A class is drawn as a rectangle, usually including its name, attributes, and methods in separate three compartments.
- Class name always appears in the top-most compartment.

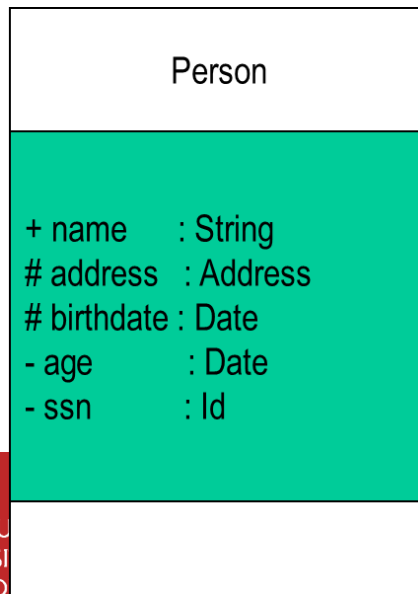




Attributes in a Class

- Class or instance variables
- They are typed in middle compartment
- Attributes are usually listed in the form:

visibility variableName: Type



Attributes can be:

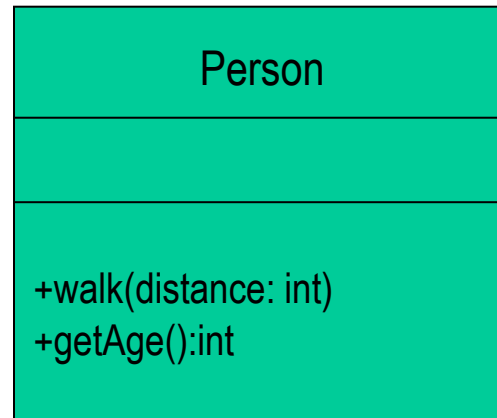
- + public
- # protected
- private



Class methods

- Methods describe the class behaviour and appear in the bottom compartment.
- Methods in class diagram each include visibility, method name, parameters, and return type in the form below:

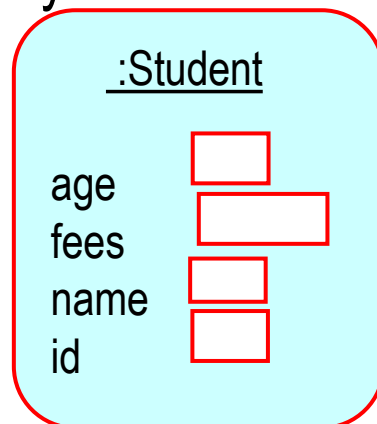
visibility name (param1:type=initial_value...):return-type





So Far

- To design a student class then we might choose variables like
 - ☐ int to represent their age
 - ☐ double to represent their fees
 - ☐ String to represent their name
 - ☐ int to represent their ID
- We would say the Student has attributes of age, fees and name



But, the student could have other knowledge ...



Collaborating classes

... other knowledge involving other objects

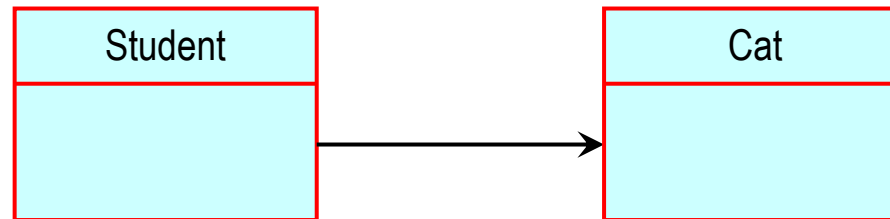
- For example, all students may have a cat...
- A student object can (potentially) access a cat object
- In this case we would declare an instance variable of type Cat in the student class
 - `private Cat myCat;`
- So AFTER we have given a value to this instance variable:



Collaborating classes: Association



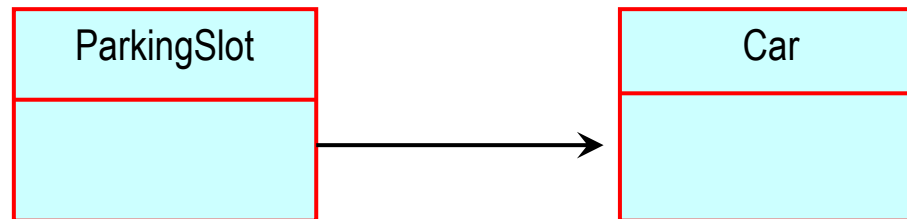
- We say there is an association between the two classes
- If Student calls methods in Cat then we say Cat is a collaborator of Student
 - “Cat helps Student”
 - or “Cat provides services for Student”
 - or “Cat is a server for Student”



Collaborating classes: Association



■ ParkingSlot



ParkingSlot

- slotID :String

- car :Car

methods here

.....

Car

- reg :String

- make :String

- model :String

- year :String

methods here

.....

Association Relationship



■ Directed Association



```
class A
{
    private B b;
    .....
    .....
    .....
}
```

■ Bidirectional Association

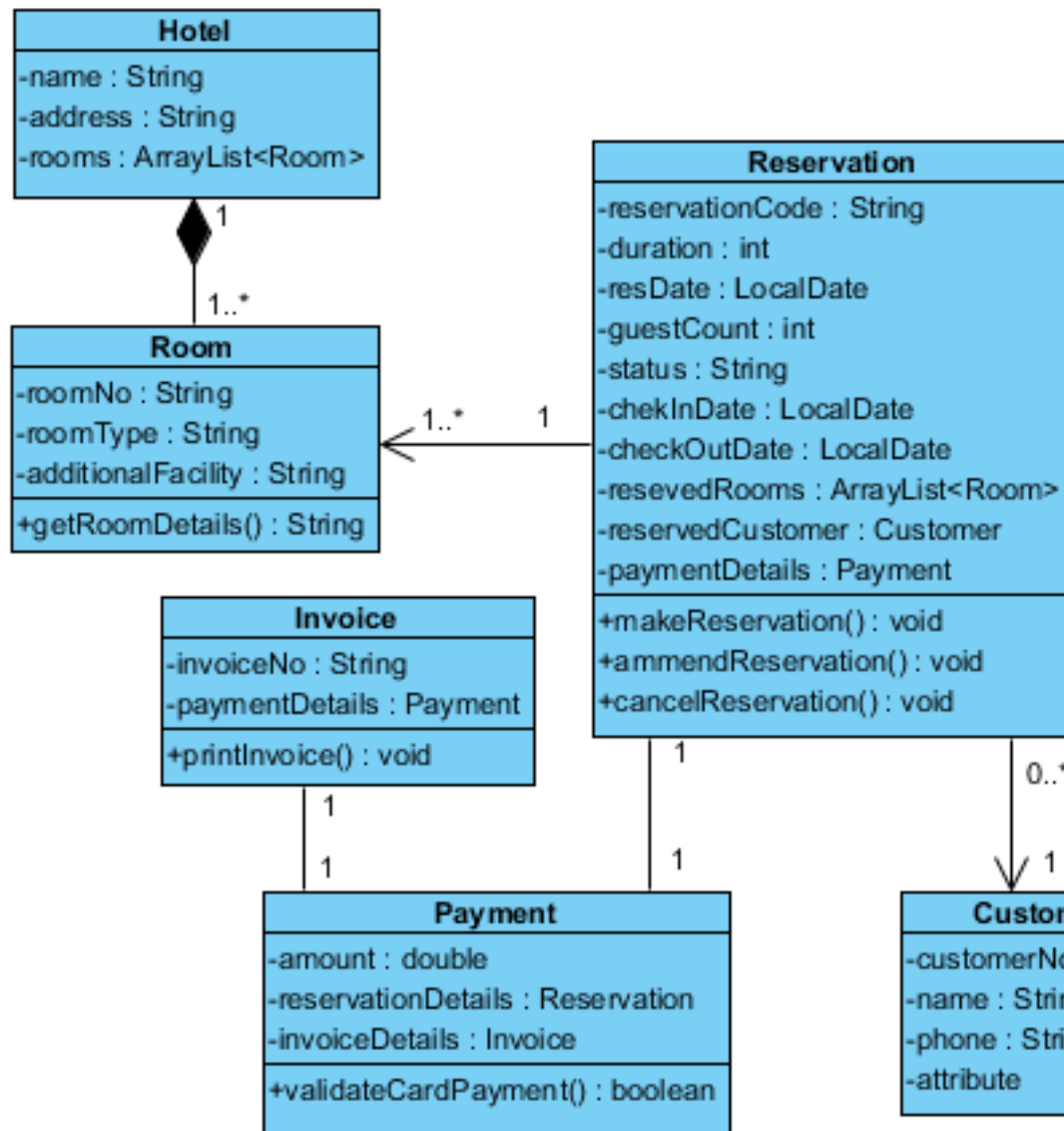


```
class A
{
    private B myB;
    .....
    .....
    .....
}
```

```
class B
{
    private A myA;
    .....
    .....
    .....
}
```

Sample class diagram: Hotel Reservation System

OO systems are made up of objects working with other objects



The hard part is working out what classes we should have in our solutions

Class Diagram - Relationship Types



■ Associations

- Associations between classes most often represent instance variables that hold references to other objects.
- E.g: Student and Course

■ Generalization

- Models “is a” and “is like” relationships, helping to easily reuse existing data
- E.g: A student is a person. A faculty member is a person.

■ Realization

- Is a relationship between the blueprint class and the object containing its respective implementation level details.
- Relationship between the interface and the implementing class

■ Dependency

- Used when one class depends on another class.
- indicate that the connection between them is at a higher level of abstraction than an association relationship.

Class Diagram - Relationship Types



■ **Aggregations**

- Is a specialization of association, specifying whole-part relationship between objects
- E.g: team and employees

■ **Compositions**

- Stronger form of aggregation, where the whole and the parts have coincident lifetimes
- When an object contains the other object, if the contained object cannot exist without the existence of container object
- E.g: House and rooms



Class Diagram - Relationship Types

Multiplicity Indicators

- Is the description of the number of objects that can participate in the association

Indicator	Meaning
0..1	Zero or one
1	One only
0..*	Zero or more
1..*	One or more
N	Only n (where $n > 1$)
*	Many
0..n	Zero to n (where $n > 1$)
1..n	One to n (where $n > 1$)
n..m	Where n and m both > 1
n..*	n or more, where $n > 1$



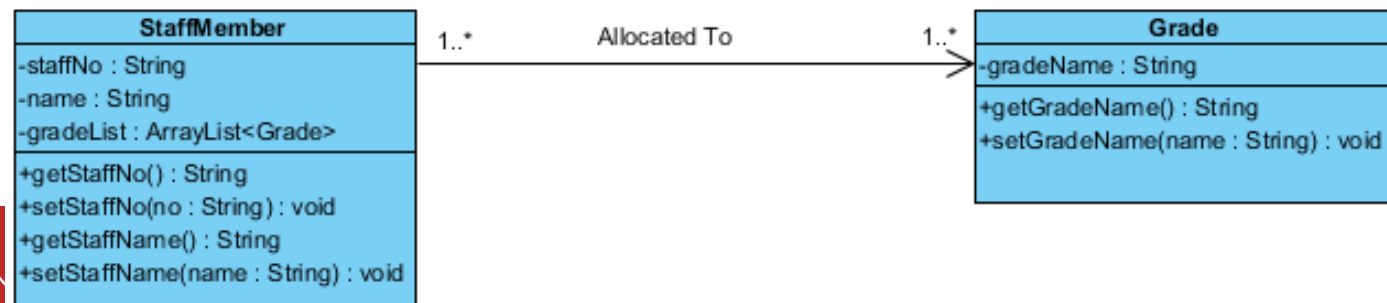
Class Diagram - Relationship Types

■ Association Guidelines

- ☐ Center names on associations
- ☐ Word association names left to right



- ☐ Indicate direction only on unidirectional associations

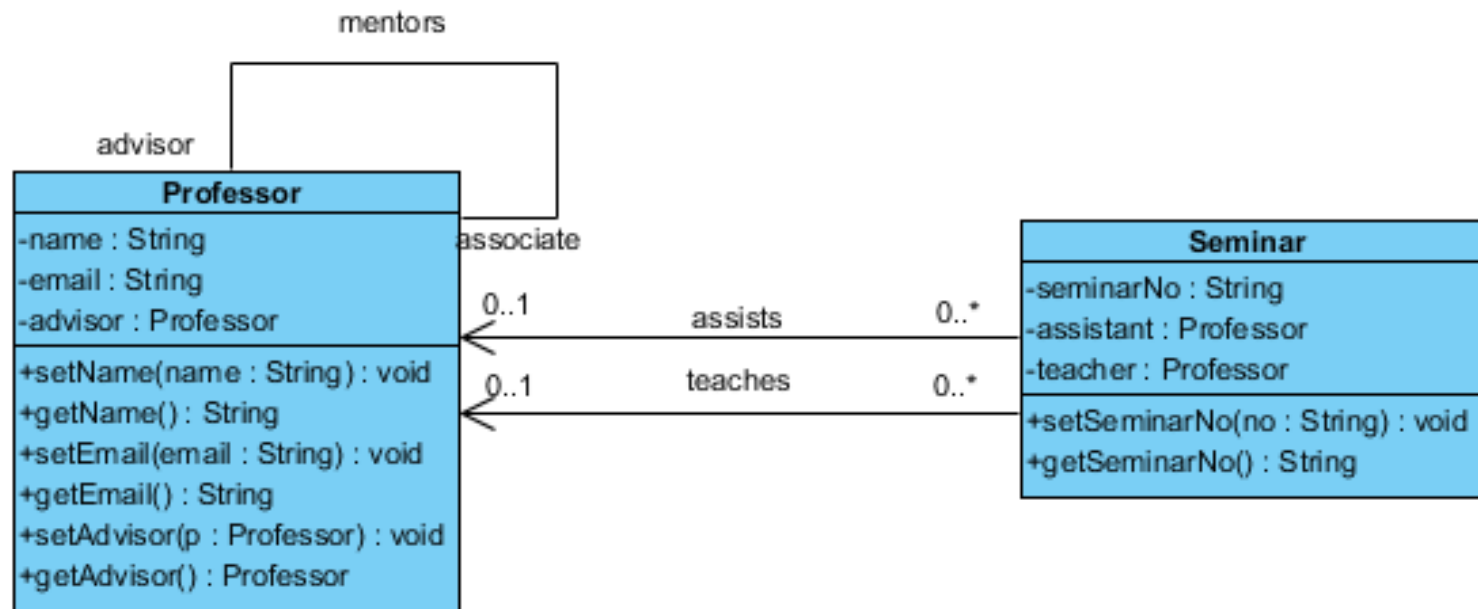




Class Diagram - Relationship Types

■ Association Guidelines Cont..

- ☐ Indicate role names on recursive associations
- ☐ Indicate role names when multiple associations between two classes exists

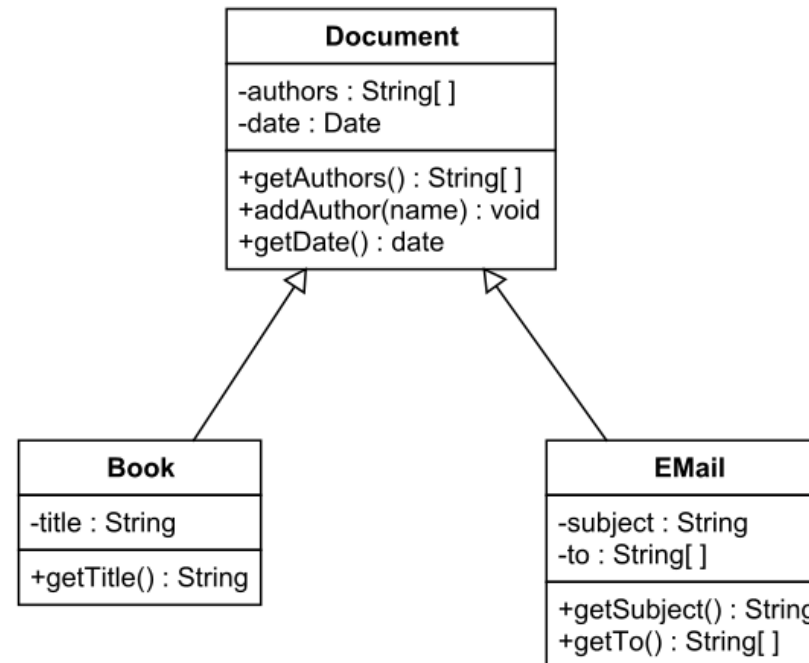




Class Diagram - Relationship Types

■ Generalization Guidelines

- ☐ Apply the sentence rule for inheritance
- ☐ A subclass IS A KIND OF a superclass
- ☐ Place subclasses below superclasses
- ☐ A subclass should inherit everything

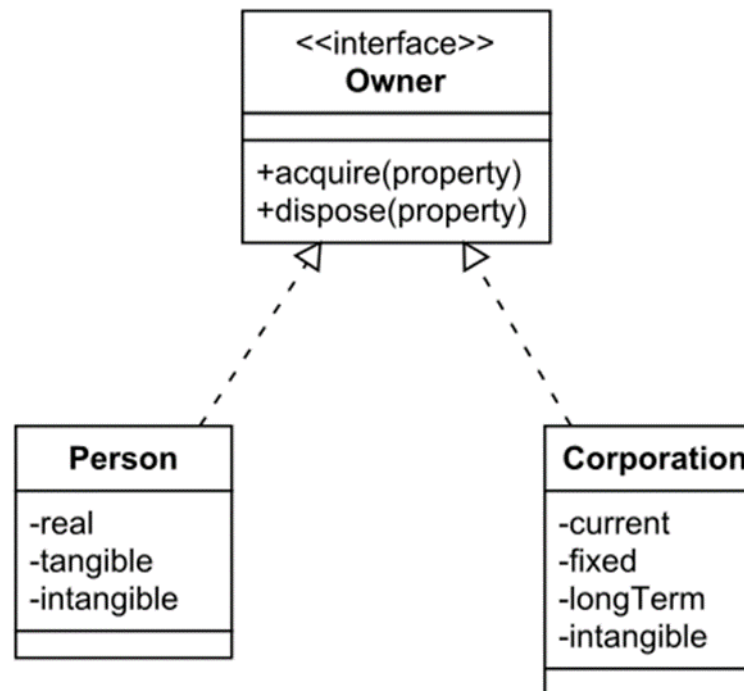


Class Diagram - Relationship Types



■ Realization Guidelines

- Realization is the relationship between the class and the interface.
- Place implementation class below the interface class

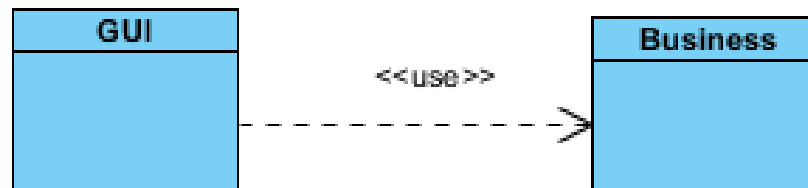


Class Diagram - Relationship Types



■ Dependency Guidelines

- ☐ A dependency exists between two classes if changes to the definition of one class may cause changes to the other.
- ☐ Between classes dependencies may exist due to various reasons:
 - ☐ A client class uses a supplier class that has global scope
 - ☐ A client class uses a supplier class as a parameter for one of its operations
 - ☐ A client class uses a supplier class as a local variable for one of its operations
 - ☐ A client class sends a message to a supplier class

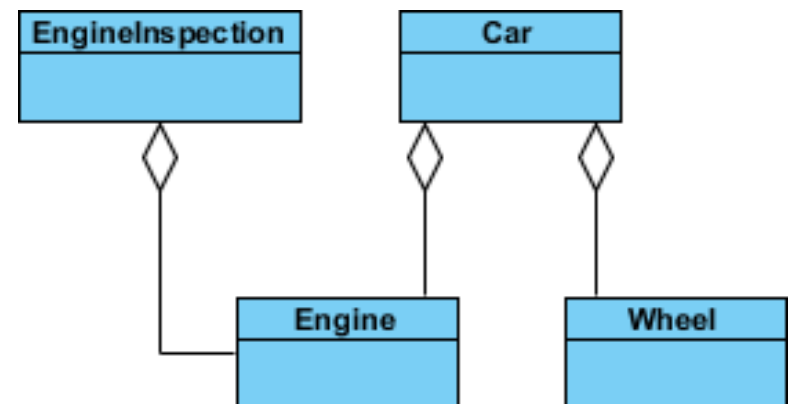
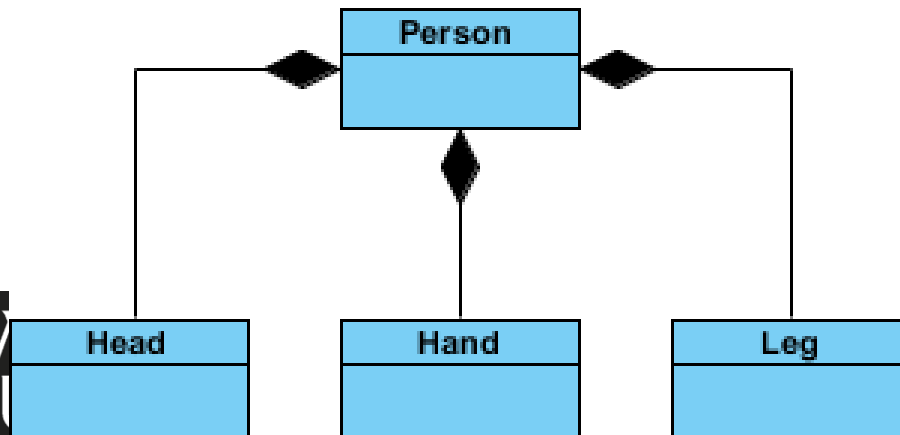


Class Diagram - Relationship Types



■ Aggregation/ Composition Guidelines

- ☐ The whole **has (a)** part(s)
- ☐ Aggregation and Composition are specific cases of association. In both aggregation and composition object of one class "owns" object of another class.

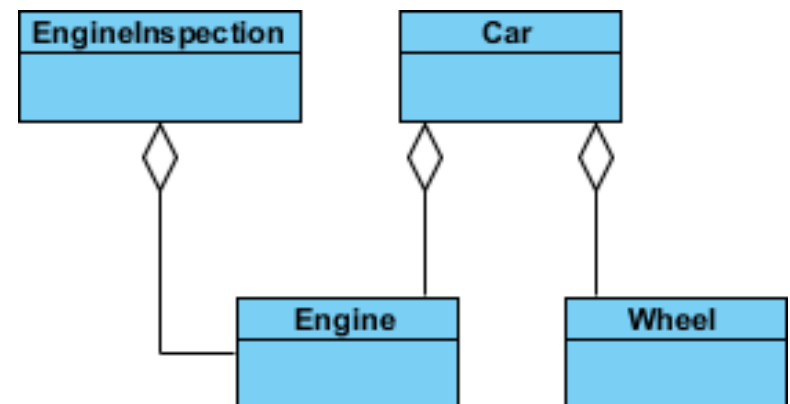
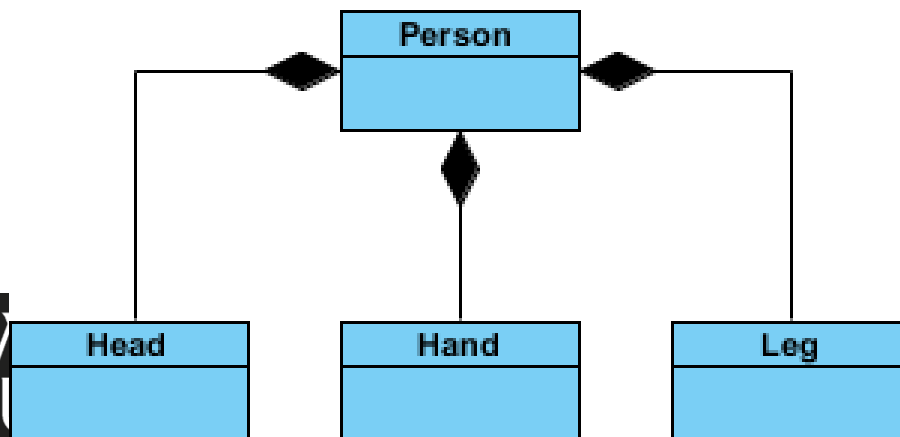


Class Diagram - Relationship Types



■ Aggregation/ Composition Guidelines

- Aggregation implies a relationship where the part can exist independently of the whole. Example: Class (whole) and Student (part). Delete the Class and the Students still exist.
- Composition implies a relationship where the part cannot exist independent of the whole. Example: House (whole) and Room (part). Rooms don't exist separate to a House.



Defining Directed Associations



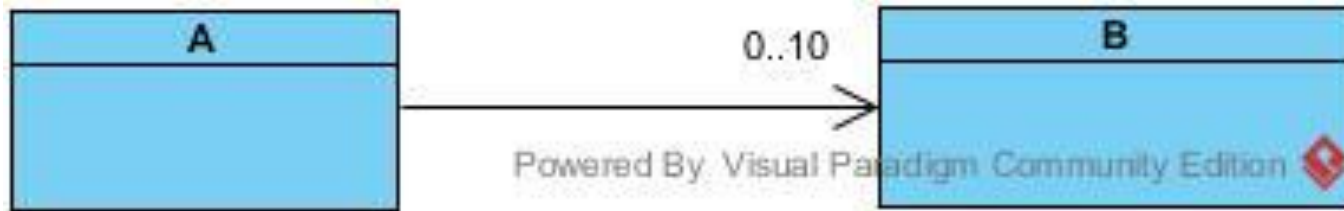
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class A
{
    private B b;
    .....
    .....
    .....
```

Defining Directed Associations



```
import java.util.ArrayList;
public class A
{
    private ArrayList<B> bList;
    .....
}
```

Defining Directed Associations



```
public class A
{
    private B[] bList;
    public A()
    {
        bList = new B[10];
    }
}
```

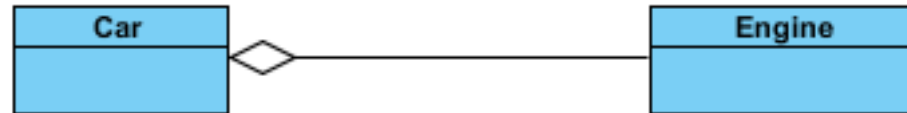

Defining Bidirectional Associations



```
class A
{
    private B myB;
    .....
    .....
    .....
}
```

```
class B
{
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    .....
    .....
    .....
}
```

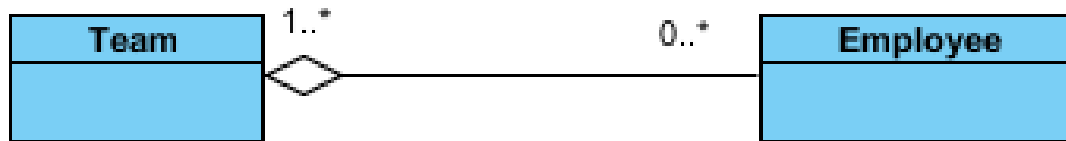
Defining Aggregations



```
public class Car
{
    private Engine engine;
    public Car(Engine e)
    {
        engine = e;
    }
}
```

```
public class Engine
{
    public Engine()
    {
        .....
    }
}
```

Defining Aggregations



```
public class Employee
{
    public Employee()
    {
        .....
    }
}
```

```
public class Team
{
    private ArrayList<Employee> memberList;
    public Team()
    {
        this.memberList = new ArrayList<Employee>;
    }
}
```

Defining Compositions



```
public class Room
{
    .....
}
```

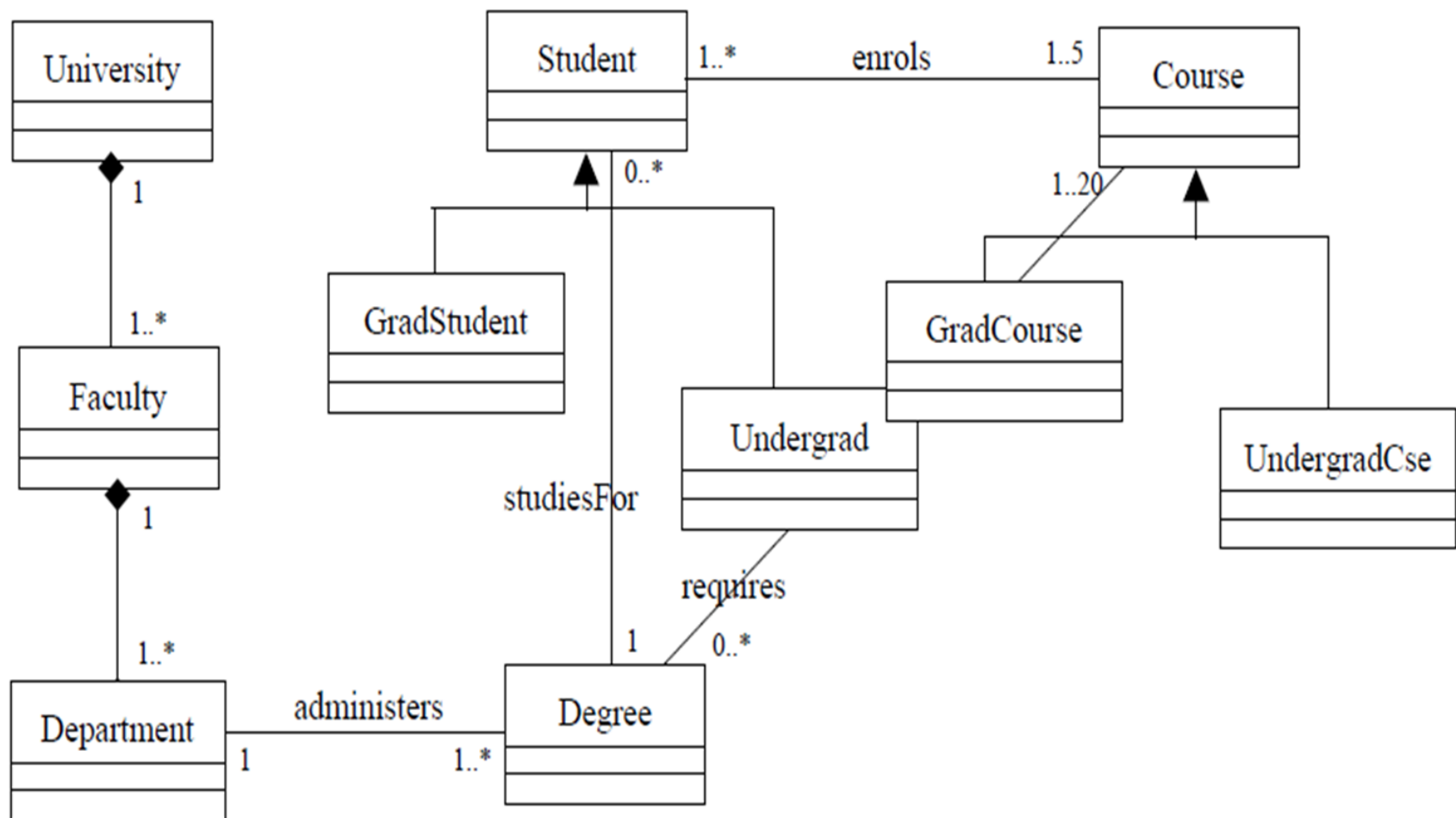
```
Public class Building
{
    private Room room;
    public Building()
    {
        this.room = new Room();
    }
}
```

Scenario 1



■ Create a class diagram for the scenario below:

A university offers degrees to students. The university consists of faculties each of which consists of one or more departments. Each degree is administered by a single department. Each student is studying towards a single degree. Each degree requires 1 to 20 courses. A student enrolls in 1-5 courses. A course can be either graduate or undergraduate, but not both. Likewise, students are graduates or undergraduates but not both.



Scenario 2

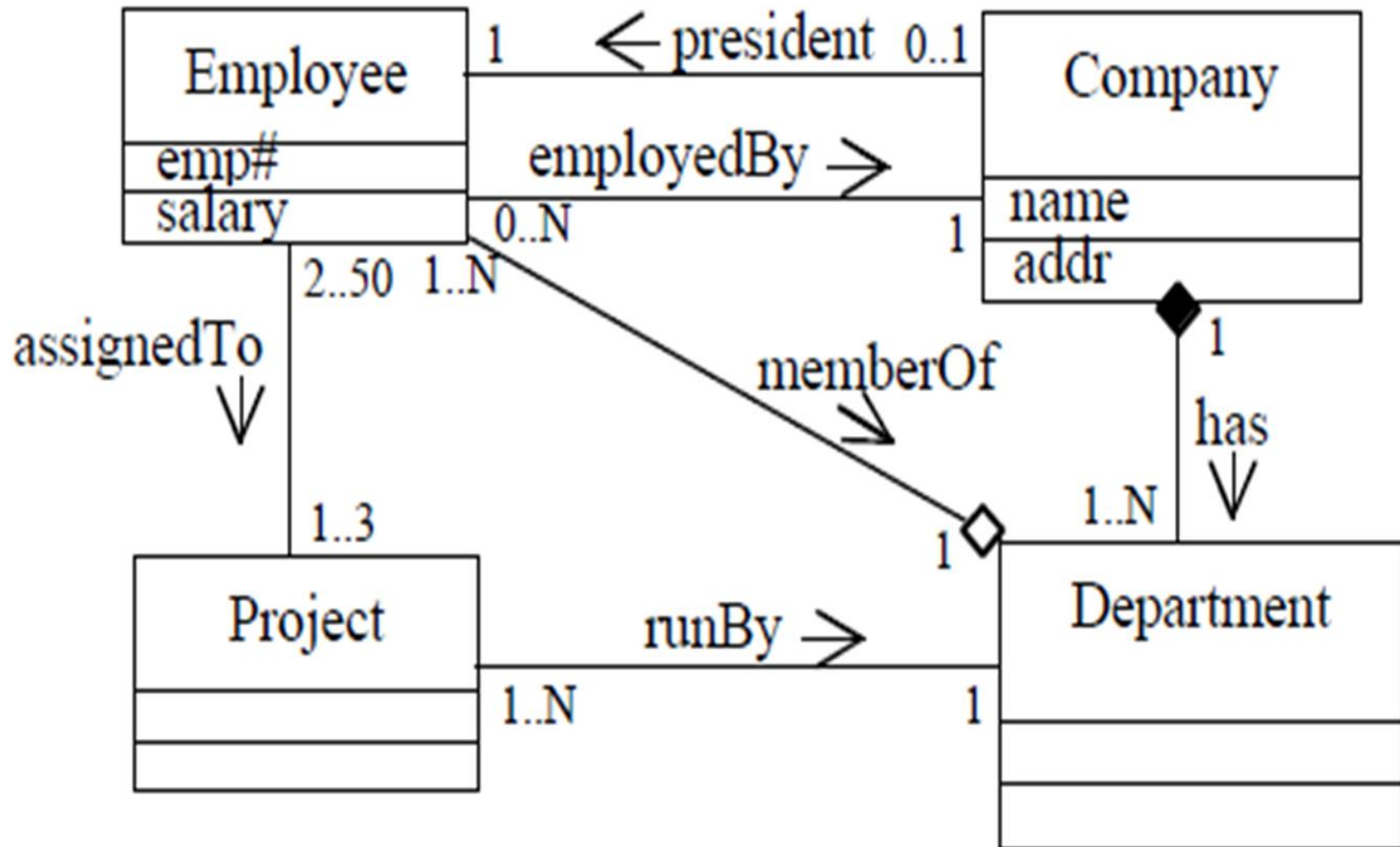


■ Consider the world of companies:

Companies employ employees (who can only work for one company), and consist of one or more departments.

Each company has a single president, who is an employee. Departments have employees as members and run projects (one or more.)

Employees can work in 1 to 3 projects, while a project can have 2 to 50 assigned employees.



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Sequence Diagrams



Learning outcome



- Students should be able to draw sequence diagrams for identified use cases using appropriate notations



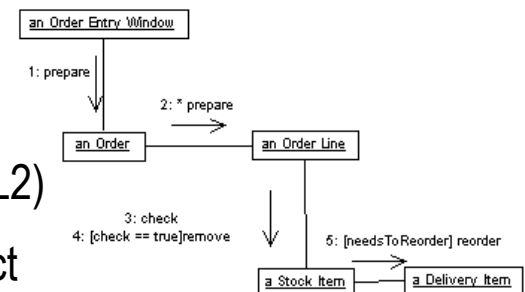
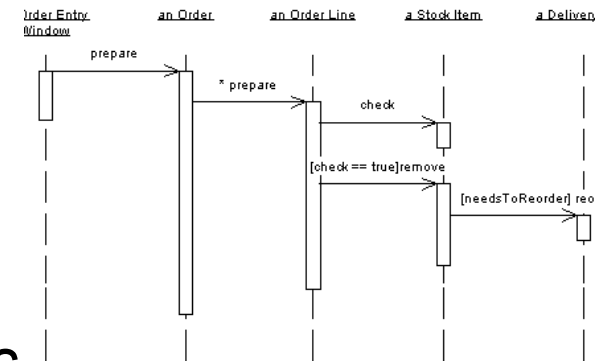
What are we Designing?

- Our design will include:
- Static Models
 - Structure of the classes and their relationships
 - Class Diagram
- Dynamic Models
 - Functionality, how the model works
 - Interaction diagrams
 - State diagrams



Interaction Diagrams

- Is a dynamic modelling technique describe how a group of objects collaborate in some behavior
 - typically a single use-case
- Modelling sequence of messages between objects
- There are two types of interaction diagrams
 - UML Sequence Diagrams
 - Looks at timing and order of messages
 - UML Collaboration Diagrams (Communication Diagram in UML2)
 - Looks at interactions between entities, focusing on object relationships



UML Sequence Diagrams



- Describe the flow of messages, events, actions between objects
- Show concurrent processes and activations
- Show time sequences that are not easily depicted in other diagrams
- Typically used during analysis and design to document and understand the logical flow of your system

Emphasis on time ordering!

Sequence Diagrams



- Describes a single operation or task being performed upon the model (one use case)

- Two Dimensions

- ☐ Vertical

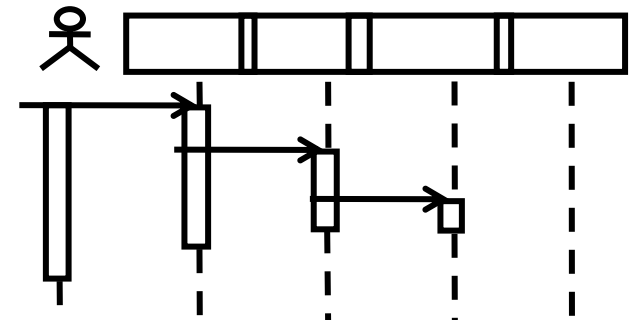
- ☐ Time

- ☐ Normally increases as you travel down the page

- ☐ Horizontal

- ☐ Object instances

- ☐ Placed as you like, suggest trying to get arrows to travel left to right



Key parts of a sequence diag.



- participant: an object or entity that acts in the sequence diagram
- message: communication between participant objects
- the axes in a sequence diagram:
 - ☐ horizontal: which object/participant is acting
 - ☐ vertical: time

Diagram Purpose

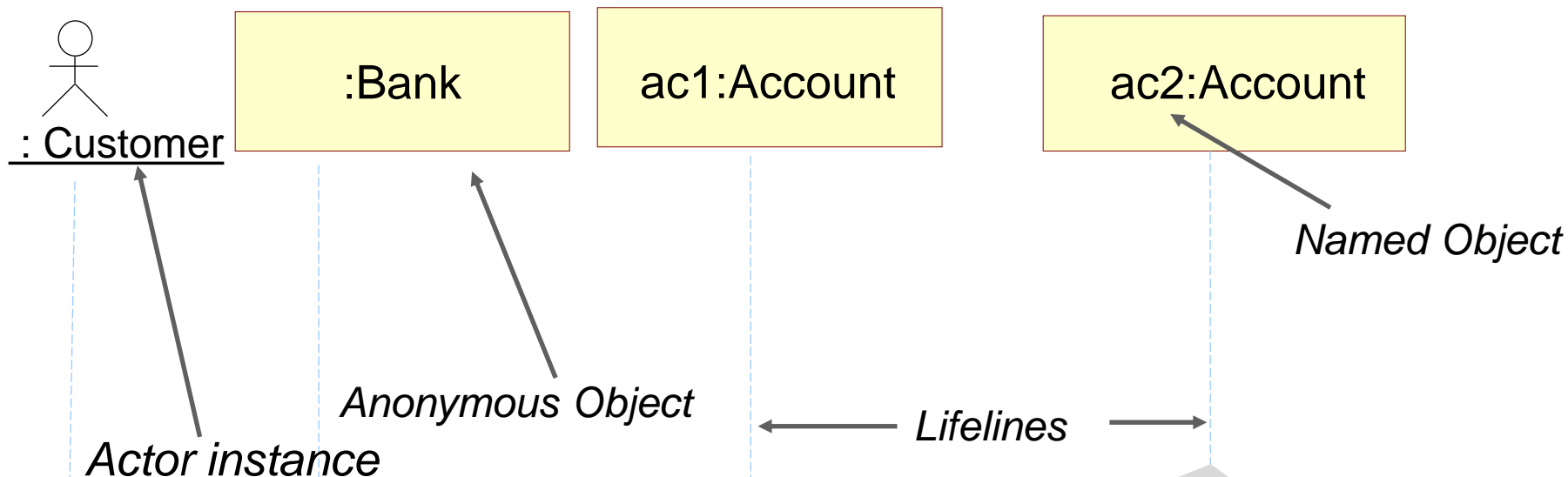


- Helps to describe the design
 - ☐ What objects (entities) are involved in an interaction
 - ☐ What order method calls are performed in
- Do when
 - ☐ You need to describe the messages that occur when a non-trivial task is being performed
 - ☐ Test your class diagram
 - ☐ Improve the class diagram

Representing objects

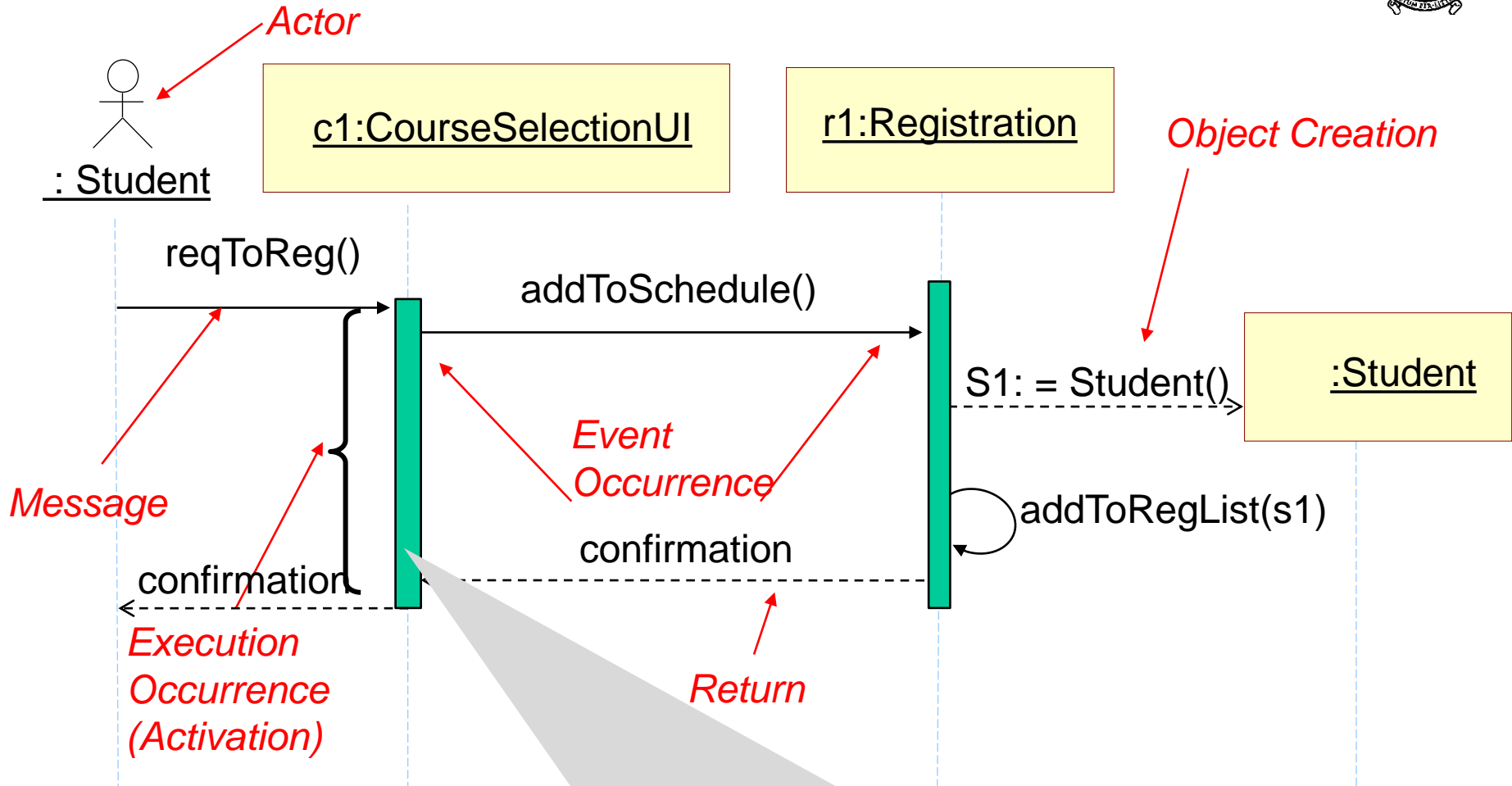


- Squares with object type, optionally preceded by object name
 - object's name
 - object's "life line" represented by dashed vert. line



Life line indicates life of the object for the role specified:

Sequence Diagrams: contents



Activation

- Shows period during which the object is active
- Active from initial message until return

Sequence Diagrams: contents



■ Messages (method calls)

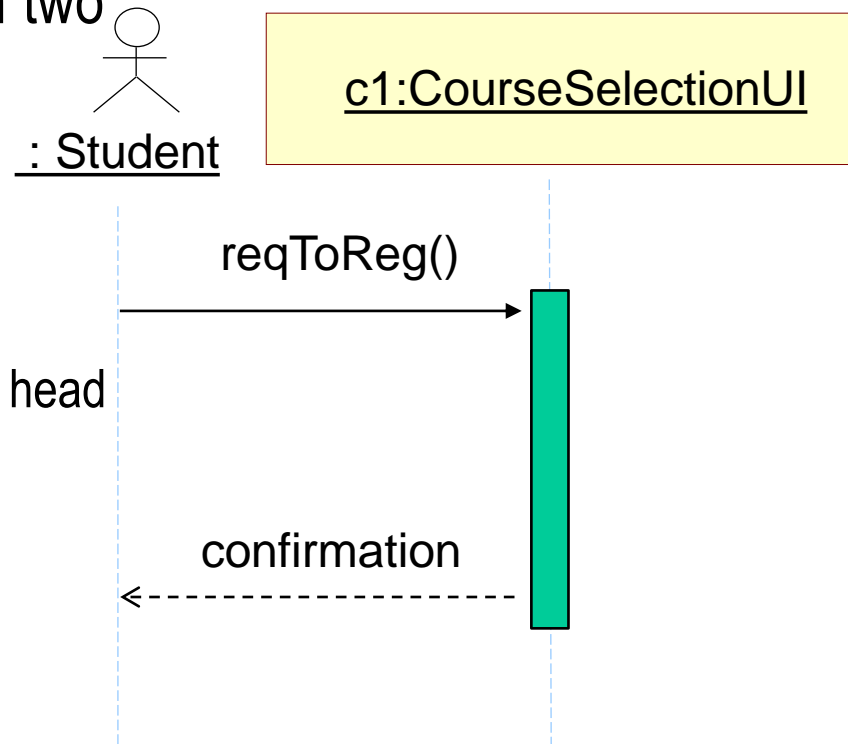
☐ Indicates a communication between two objects

☐ Operation Name (and Arguments)

☐ Different based on situation

☐ Solid line with Filled or Unfilled Arrow head for method calls

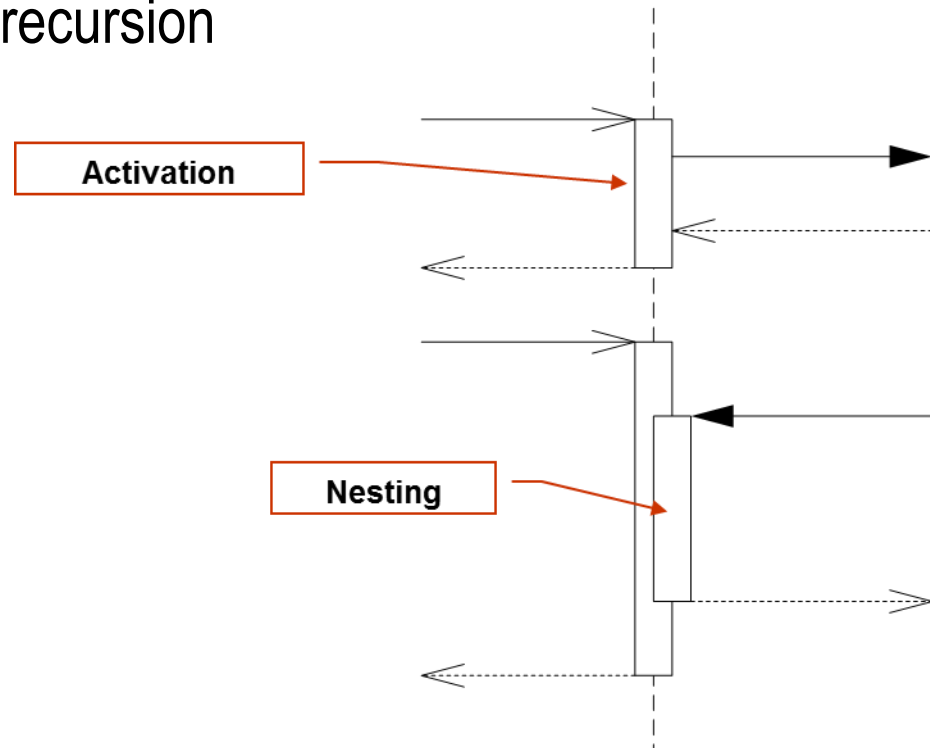
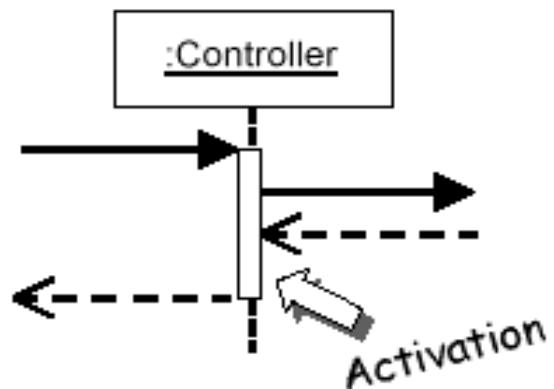
☐ Dashed line with Arrow head for returning data



Activation



- **activation**: thick box over object's life line; drawn when object's method is on the stack
 - either that object is running its code, or it is on the stack waiting for another object's method to finish
 - nest to indicate recursion

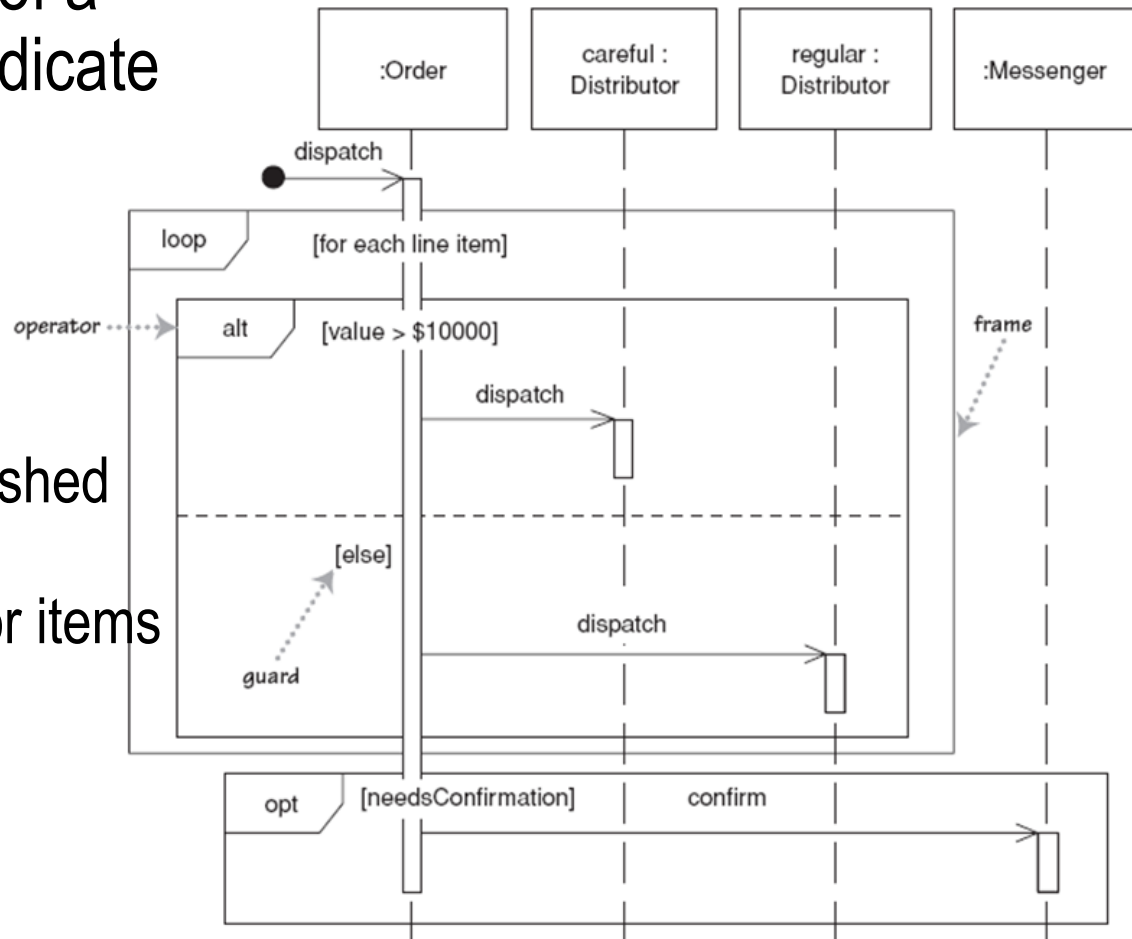




Indicating selection and loops

- frame: box around part of a sequence diagram to indicate selection or loop

- ☐ if -> (opt) [condition]
- ☐ if/else -> (alt) [condition], separated by horizontal dashed line
- ☐ Loop -> (loop) [condition or items to loop over]

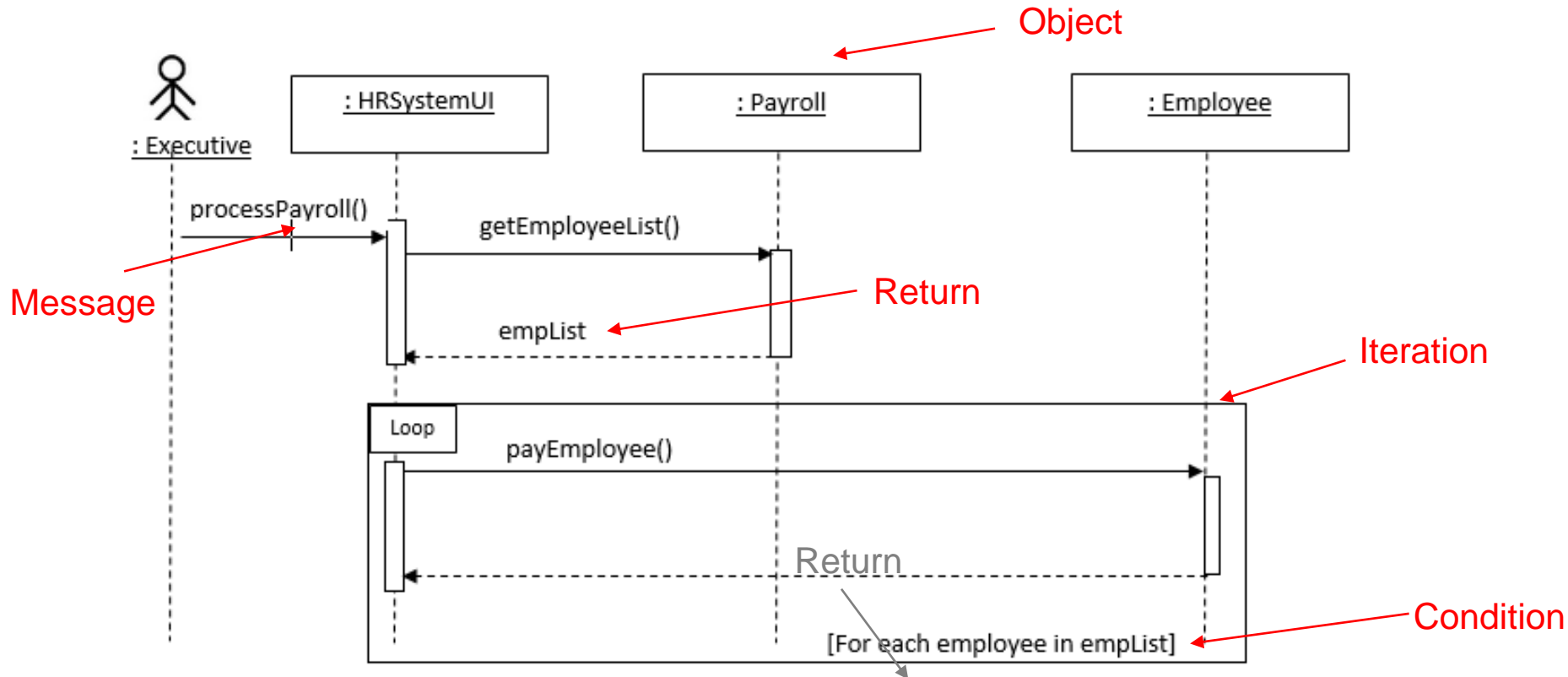




Sequence Diagram example

Use Case: Processing payroll

(get all employees, iterate through the list and pay each employee)



Review: Sequence Diagrams



- Describe a single use case
- Model Objects (Not a Class diagram)
- Model interactions between objects
- Can include
 - ☐ The User instance
 - ☐ The User Interface instance

-



Lets do it



- Use Case : Add Patient
- The user wants to add a new patient to the Patient Admin System.
 - ☐ User selects add patient at menu
 - ☐ System Creates Patient Object
 - ☐ User enters patients details
 - ☐ System adds patient to collection



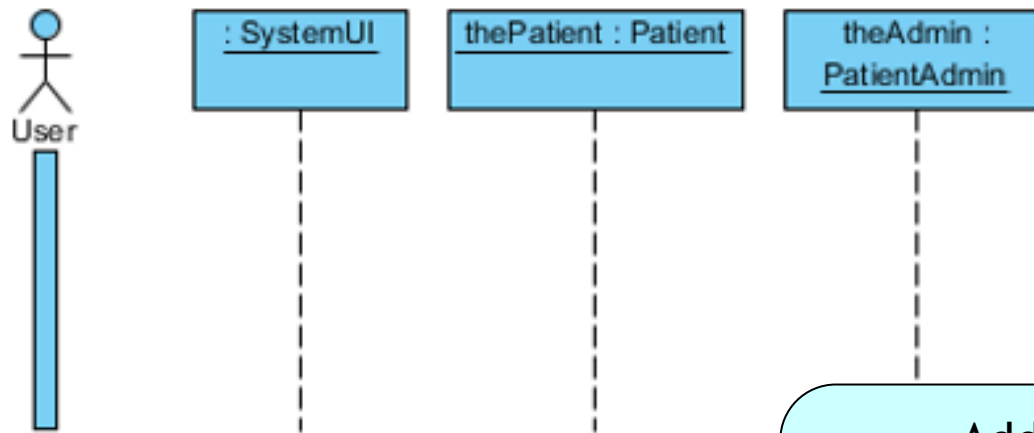
Issues

- ? What Objects will be used to do this job
- ? In what order will the objects be used
- ? What methods will be called
- ? What messages will be passed
- ? What data will be passed
- ? Where do you start your sequence diagram



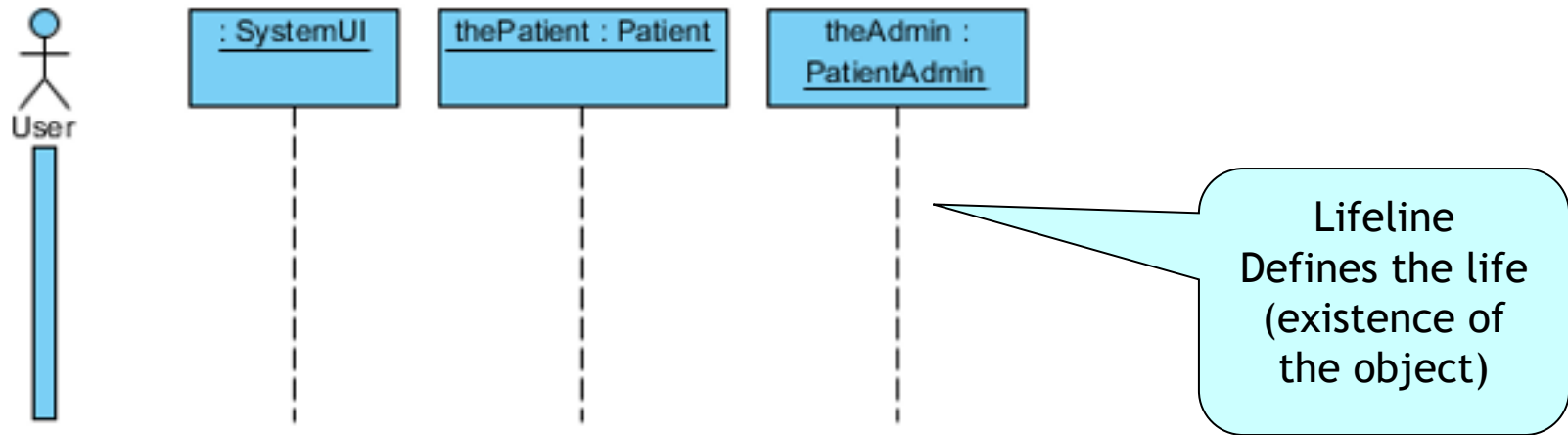
Objects Identified

- User - Actor
- User Interface (The console Application)
- A Patient Object
- A Patient Admin Object



Add Objects/Entities
from left to right
User first
Boundary Objects Next
Objects in order of use

Naming Conventions



- See page 183 Schaum's Outlines
- Typically object name : class name
- If object anonymous then class name only

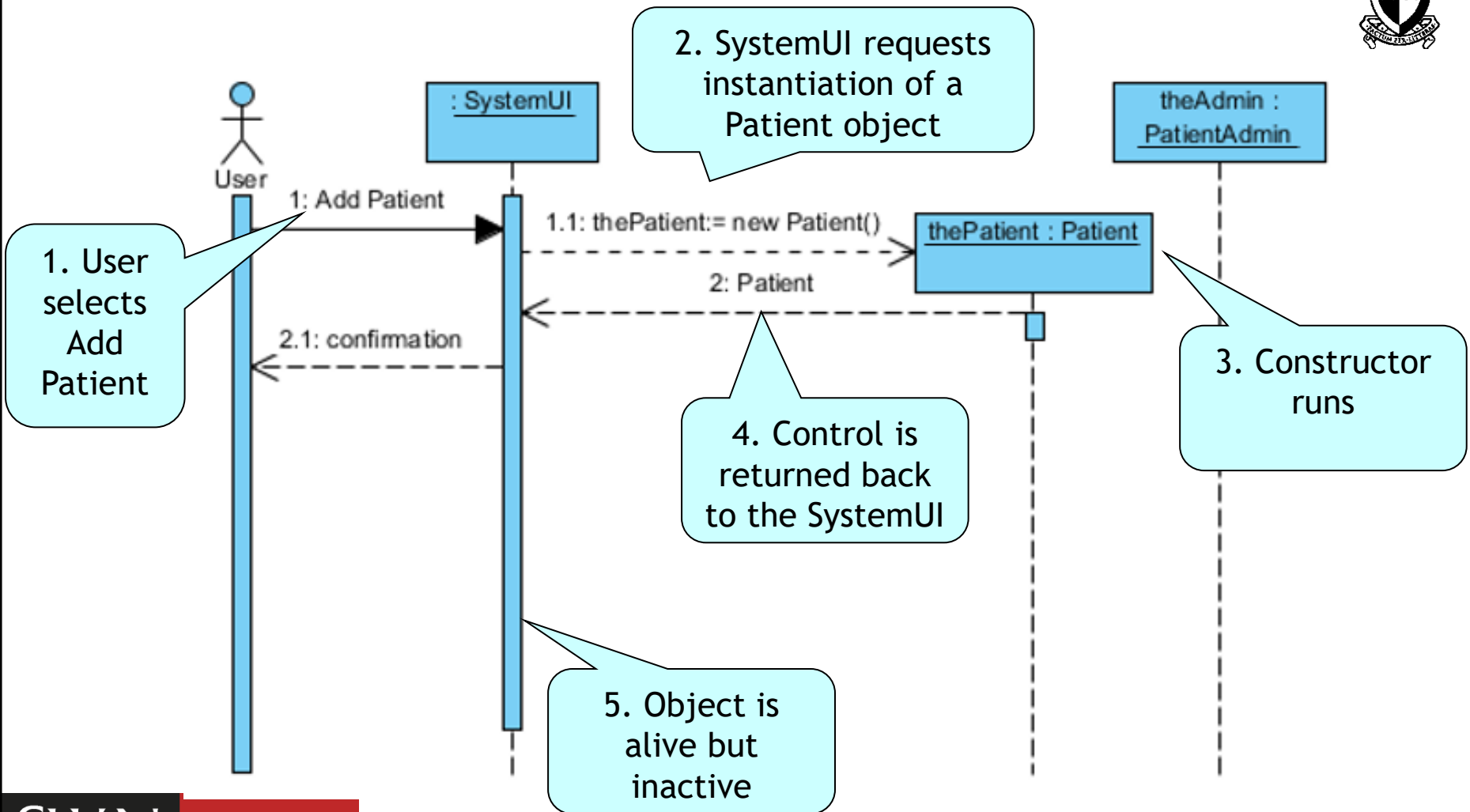
Objects used, may exist before & after this sequence.



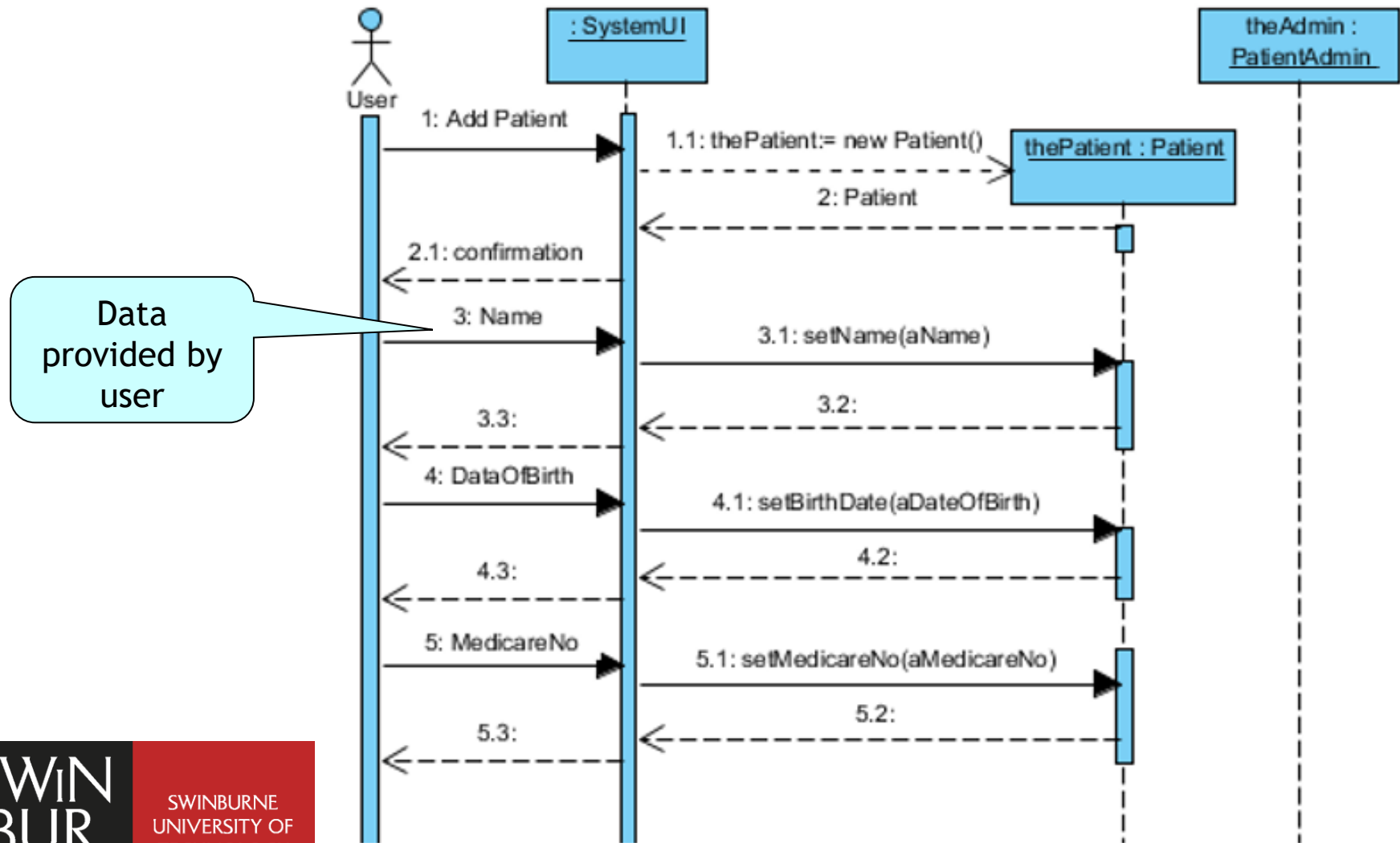
Interactions Identified

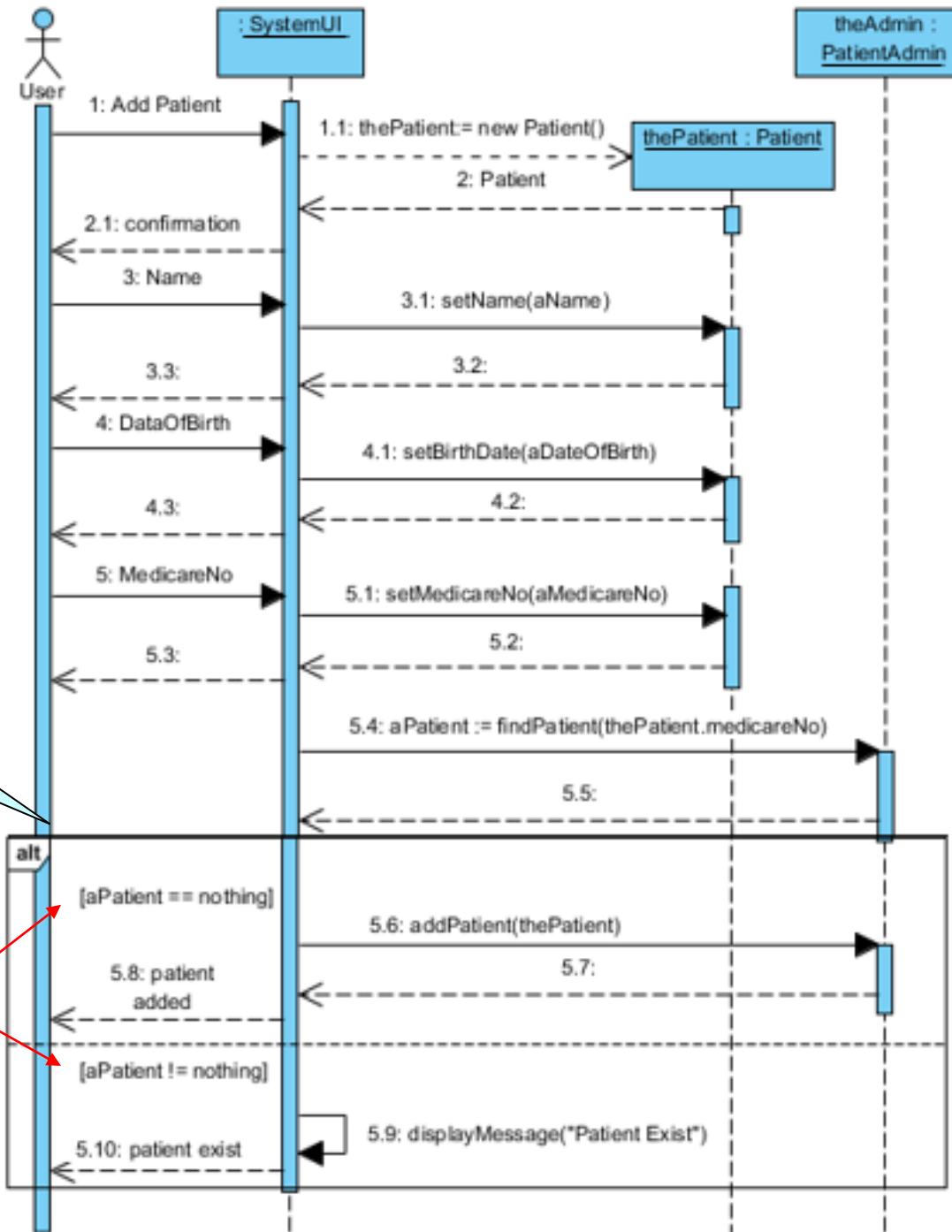
- User selects option - AddPatient
- SystemUI creates Patient Object
- SystemUI prompts user for details...
 - (User enters details....Name, Date of Birth, Medicare No)
- SystemUI sets objects values
- Check with admin object if Patient already exists
- If patient does not exist in the system, SystemUI calls PatientAdmin object to add student; else; a “Patient exist” message is displayed to user

When user selects Add Patient...



When user selects Add Patient...





Alternative paths

Guard conditions

Relationship with Class Diagrams



- Sequence diagrams allow us to
 - ☐ Develop the class diagram
 - ☐ Test the class diagram
 - ☐ Add more details to a class diagram
- Each Object in the sequence diagram will have a corresponding class in the class diagram
- If an Object passes a message to another object, then there is a relationship between those objects.
- All relationships should be shown in the class diagram

Additional Work



■ Reading

- ☐ Schaum's Outlines Chapter 9

■ UML

- ☐ <http://www.uml.org/>

■ Sequence Diagrams

- ☐ <http://www.agilemodeling.com/artifacts/sequenceDiagram.htm>