

Object-Oriented Design

- Design Patterns: GRASPs

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We study Expert, Creator, Low Coupling, High Cohesion, and Controller

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– the class that has *information* necessary to
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Problem: What is the most basic principle by which
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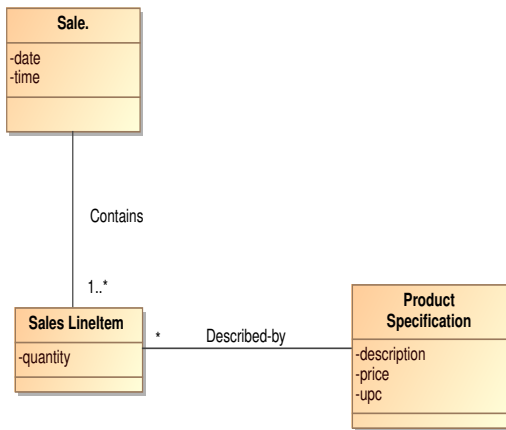
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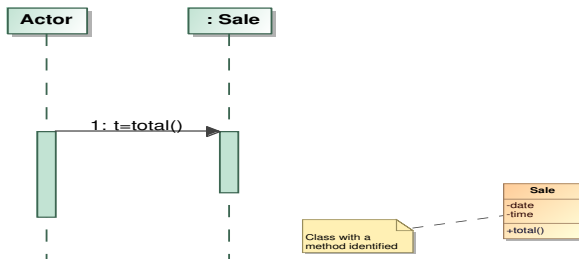
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Knowledge and skills of algorithms design are needed, or a formulation of total, are needed

The Expert is *Sale*

- ▶ Assignment of responsibility is done in the context of the creation of collaboration diagrams.
- ▶ Start working on the OSD related to the assignment of responsibility for determining the grand total to *Sale*:



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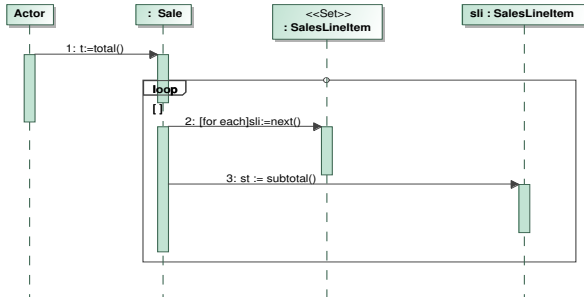
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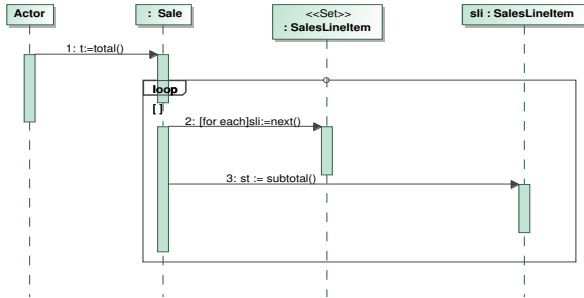
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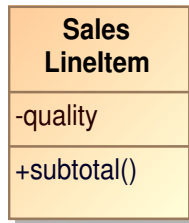
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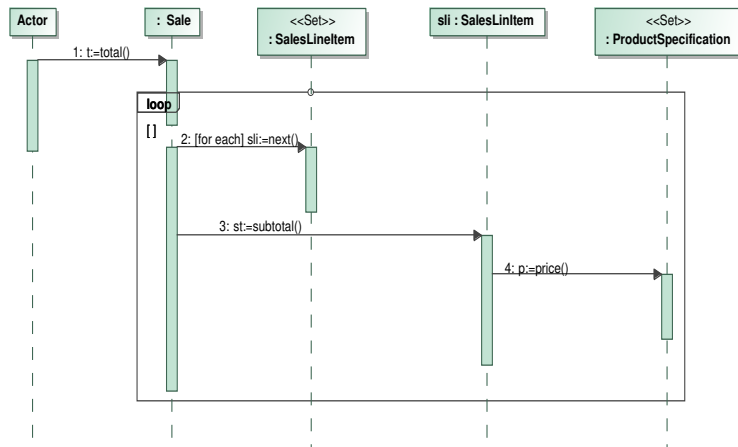
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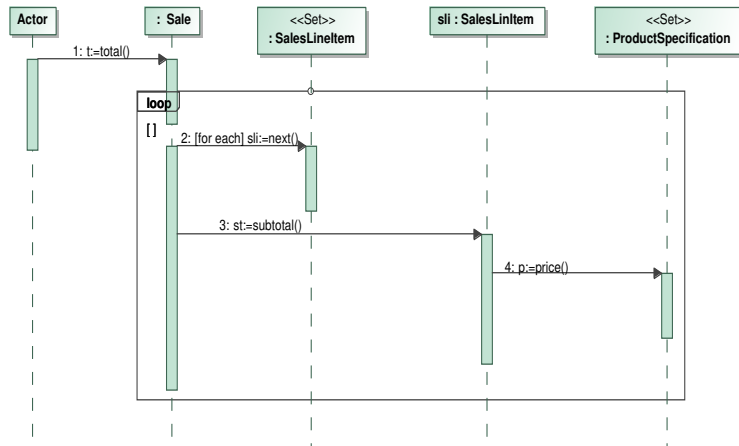
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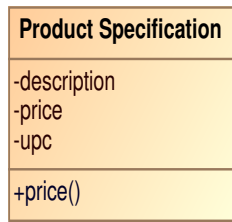


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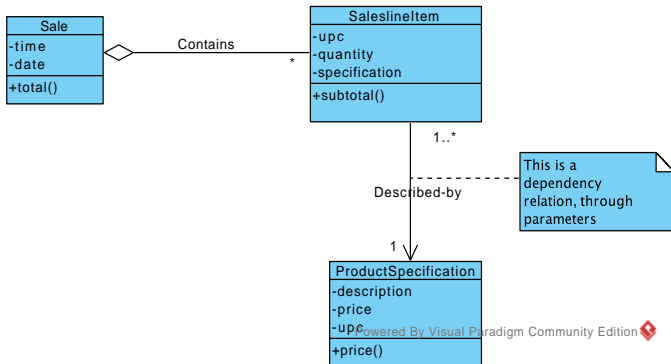
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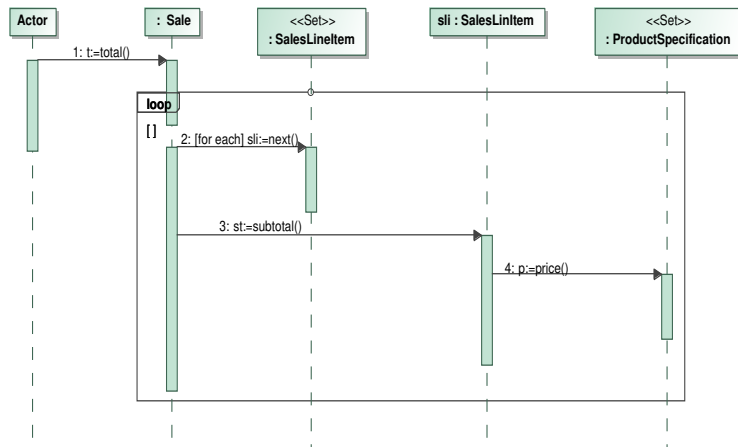
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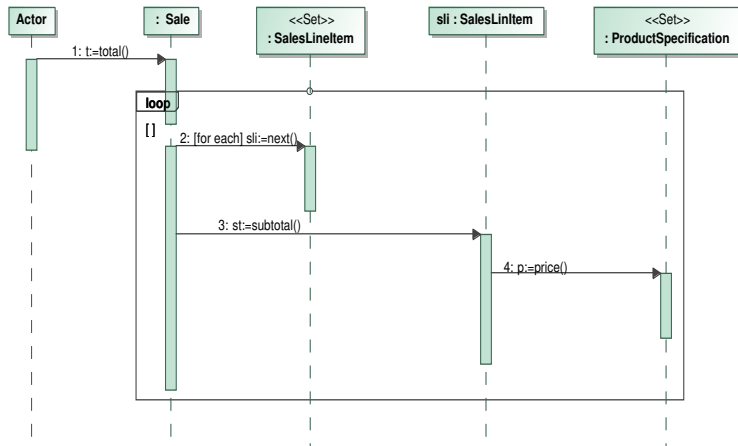
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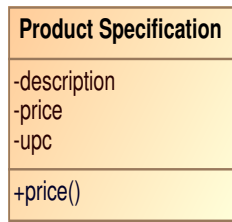


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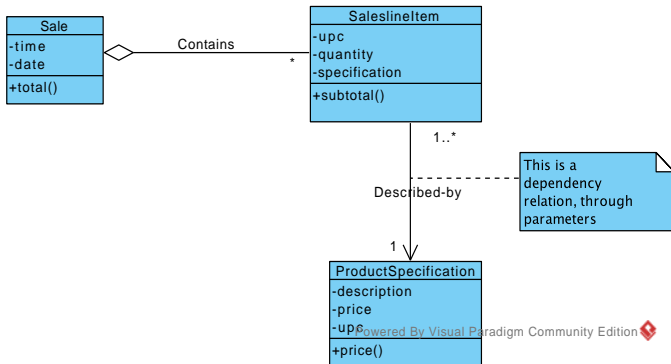
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Solution: Assign class **B** the responsibility to create an instance of a class **A** if one of the following is true:

- ▶ B **aggregates** A objects.
- ▶ B **contains** A objects.
- ▶ B **records** instances of A objects.
- ▶ B **closely uses** A objects.
- ▶ B **has the initialising data** that will be passed to A when it is created.

Problem: What should be responsible for creating a new instance of some class?

The object that has the direct reference to *B* is usually the creator of *B*

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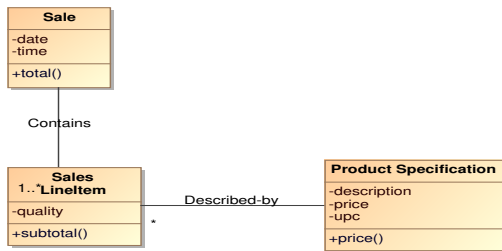
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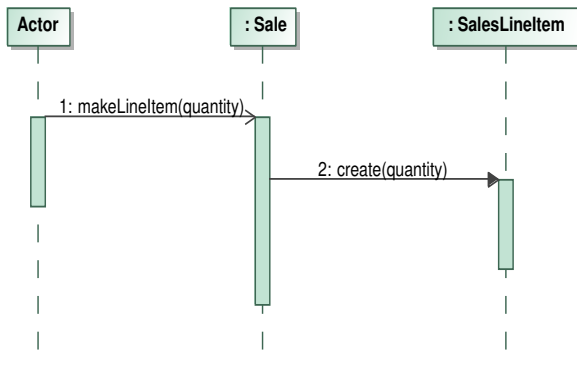
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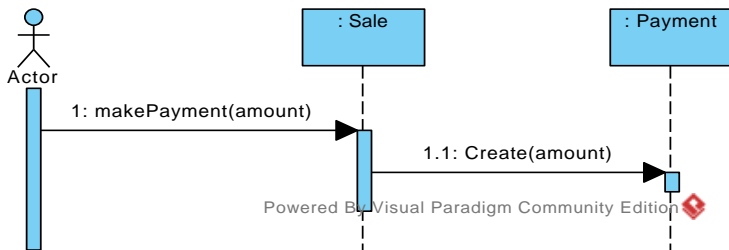
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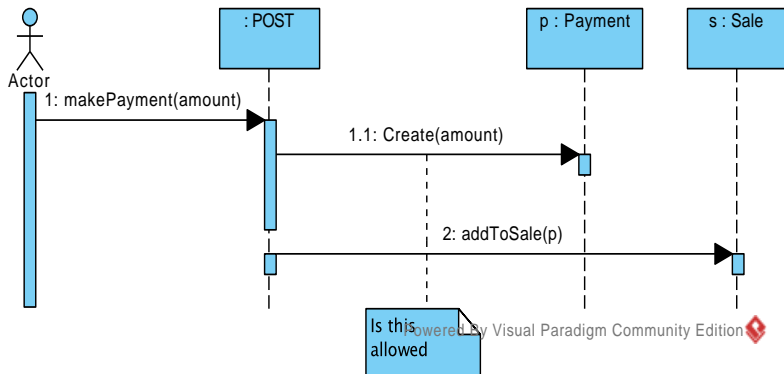
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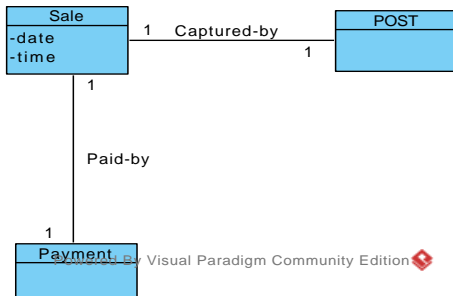
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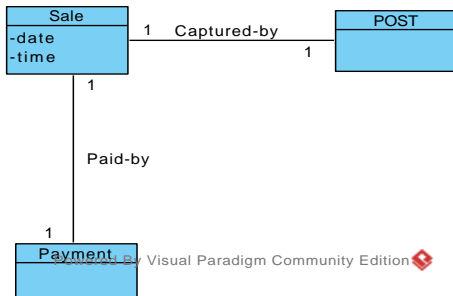
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