Responsibility Driven Design

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Software development involves providing instructions for an unintelligent computer

Developers work in teams to build software solutions, which typically contain millions of instructions

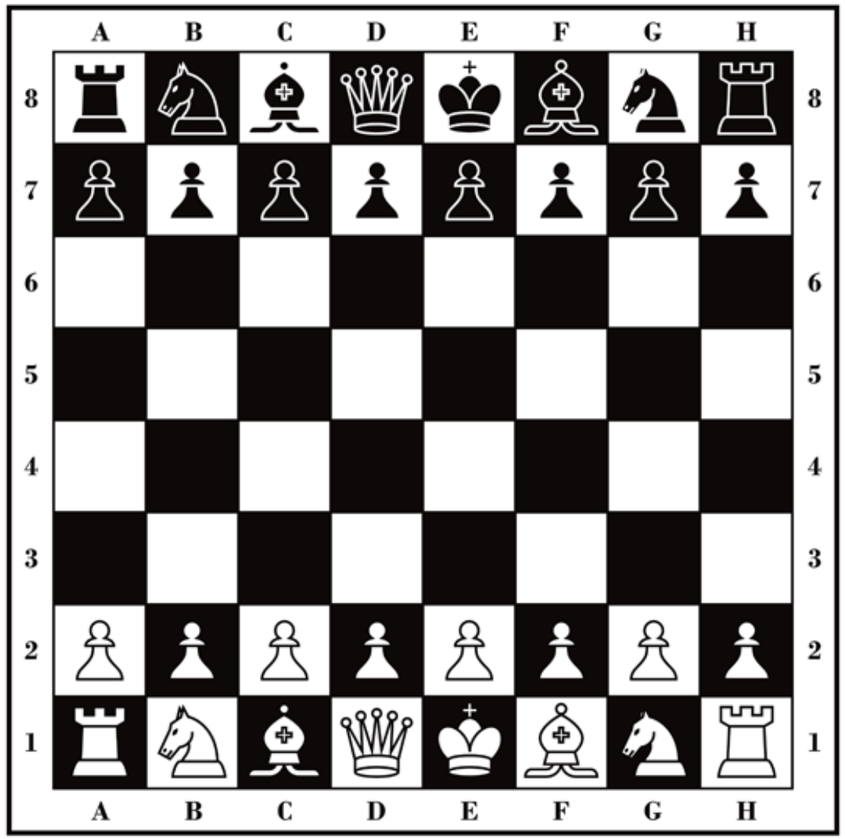
Seeing how a solution will work requires clear communication

Effective software design includes picturing the solution and having a common understanding

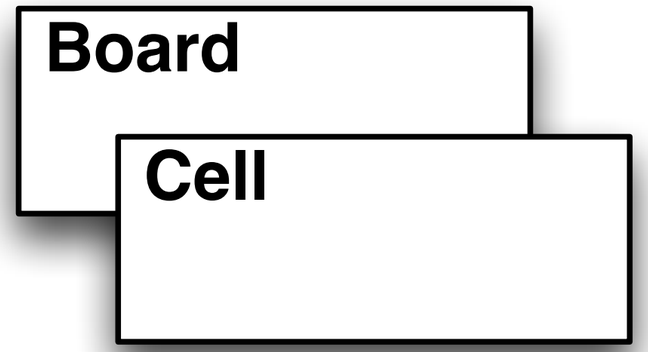
Create effective OO designs using Roles, Responsibilities, and Collaborations

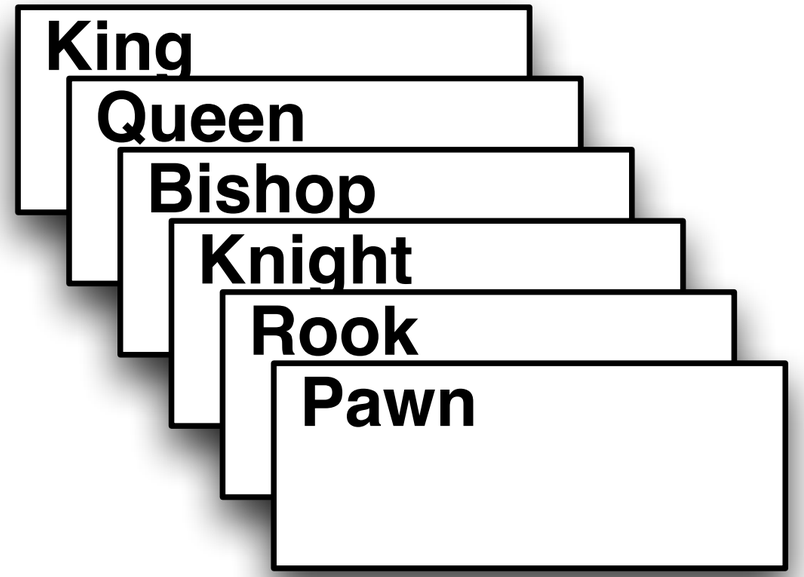
Define the purpose for objects in your program using **Roles**

Picture the problem domain and identify **candidate** roles (nouns are a good start)



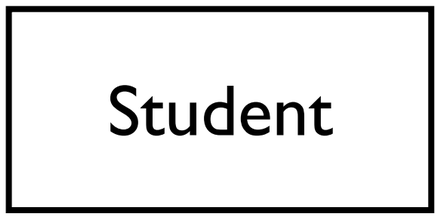
Explore candidate roles using CRC cards

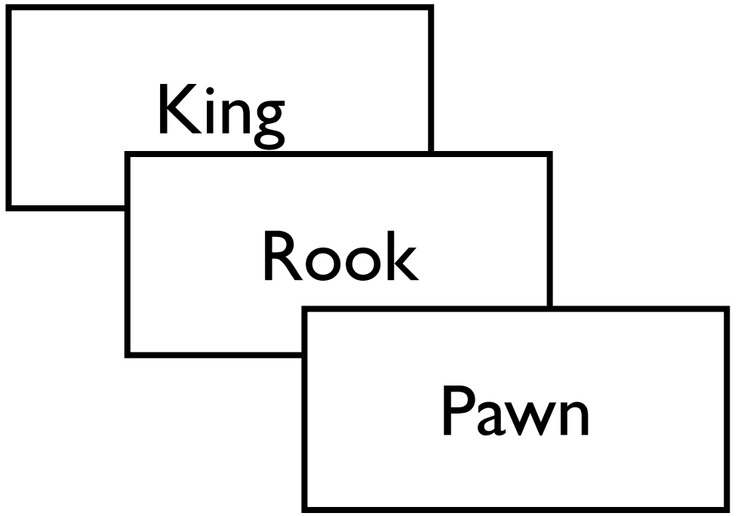




CRC = candidate role, responsibility, collaborations

Draw boxes for classes in UML class diagrams to communicate static structure



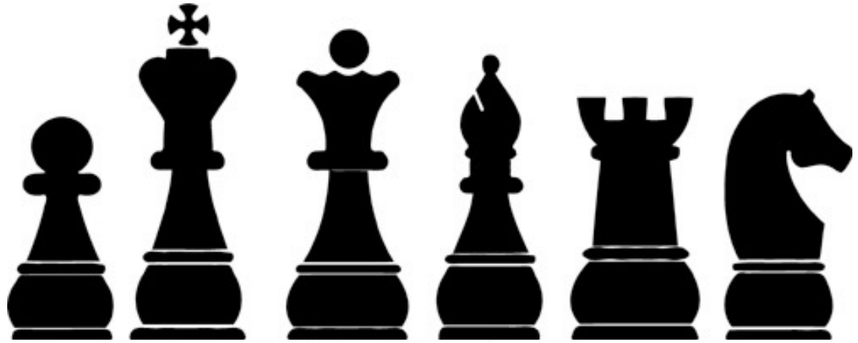


Activity: Design objects for...

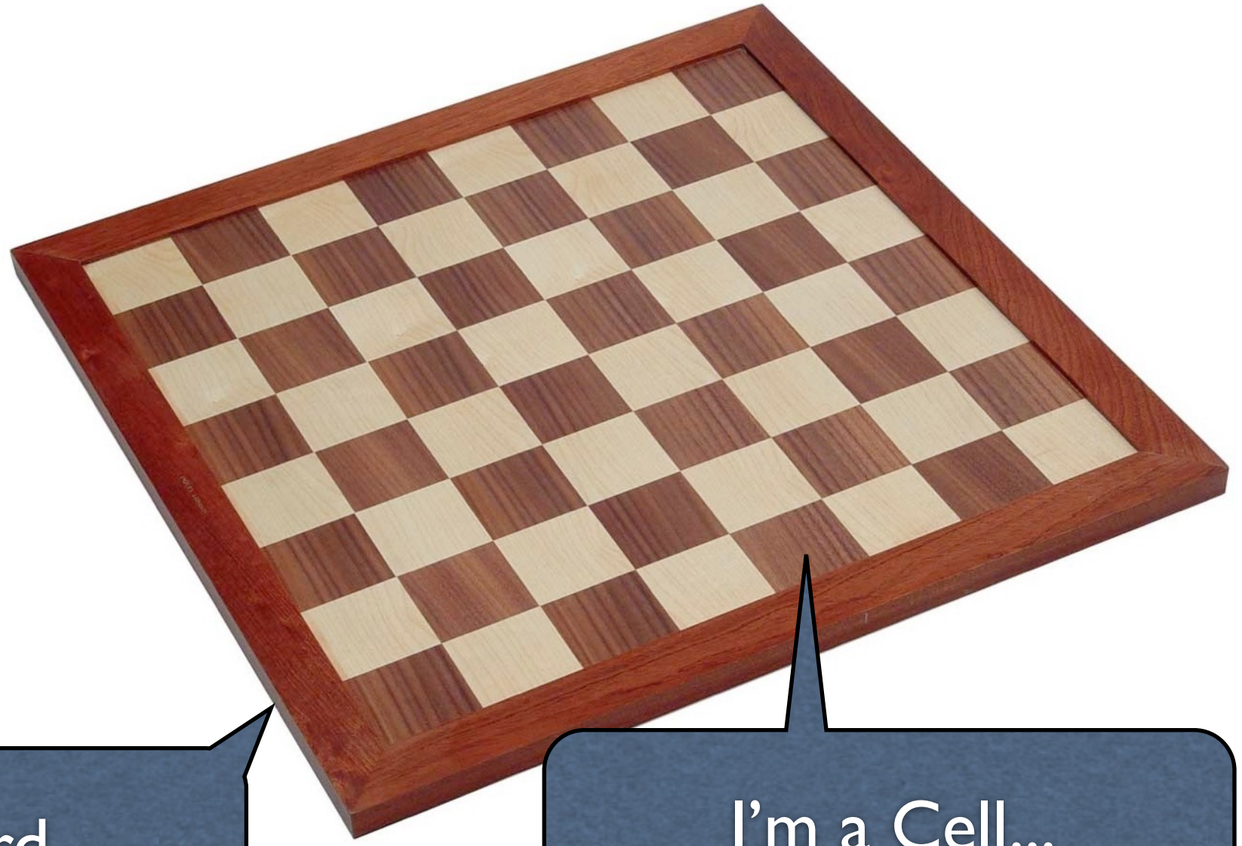
Task 1: Identify candidate roles

Define **responsibilities**
for each candidate role

Picture roles as having responsibilities within your overall solution



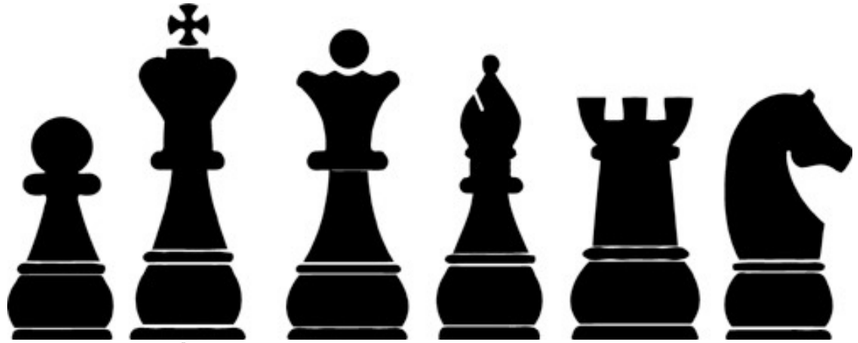
I'm a Bishop...
I'm responsible for...



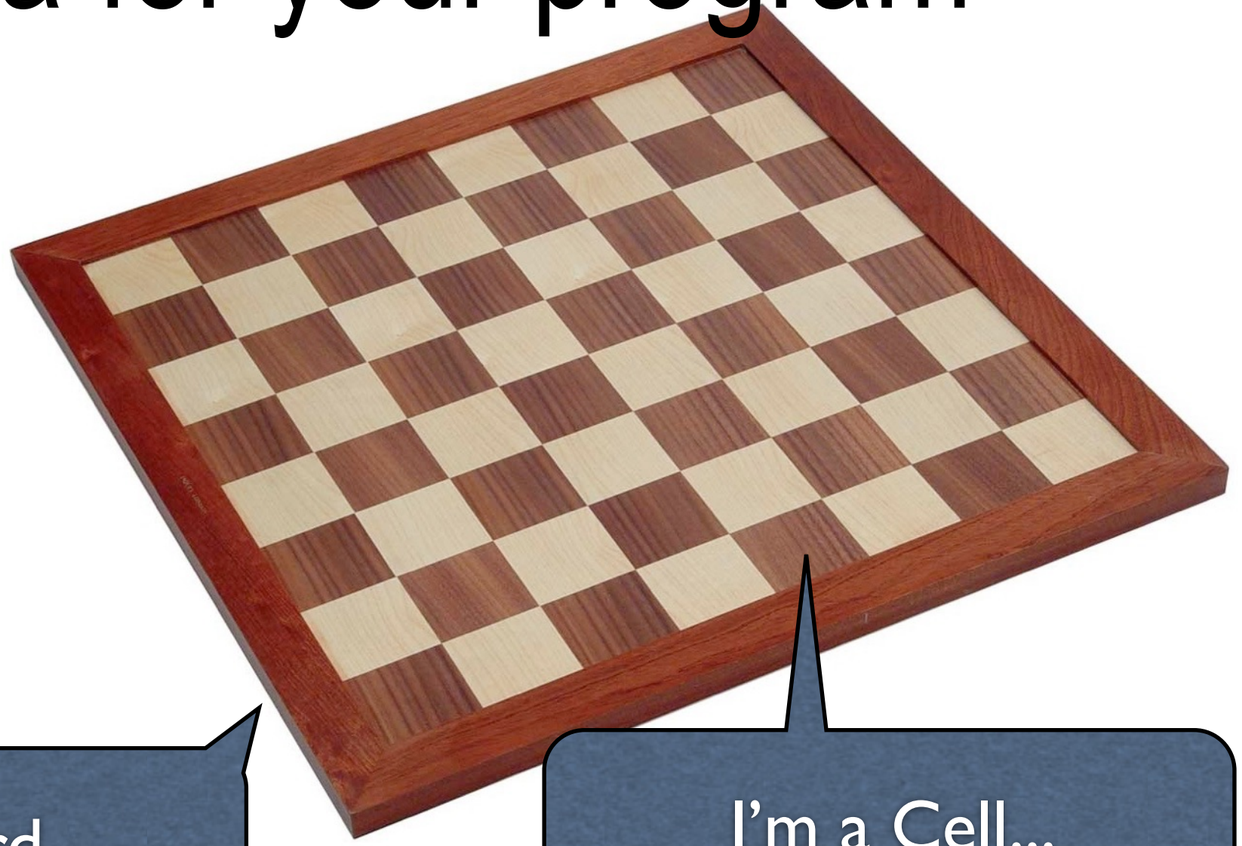
I'm a Board...
I'm responsible for...

I'm a Cell...
I'm responsible for...

Include responsibilities to **know** things, this forms the data for your program



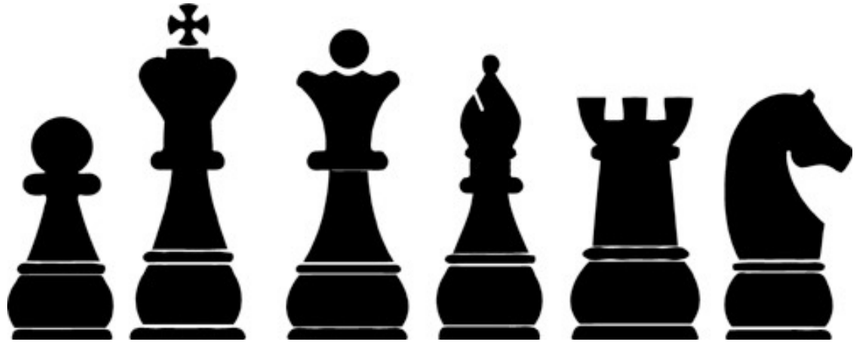
I'm a King...
I know my colour...



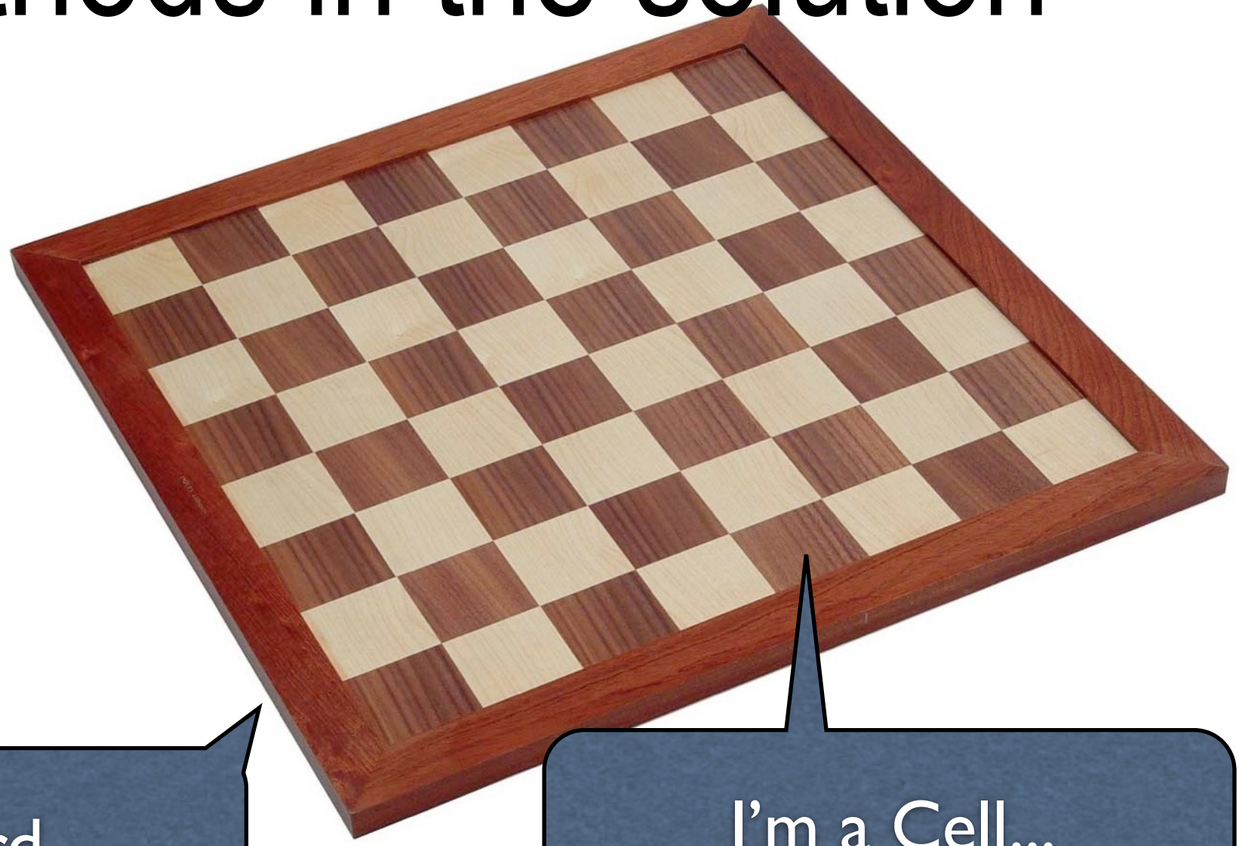
I'm a Board...
I know all of the cells.

I'm a Cell...
I know my occupant.

Include responsibilities to **do** things, these become methods in the solution



I'm a Pawn...
I can be a Queen.



I'm a Board...
I can move pieces.

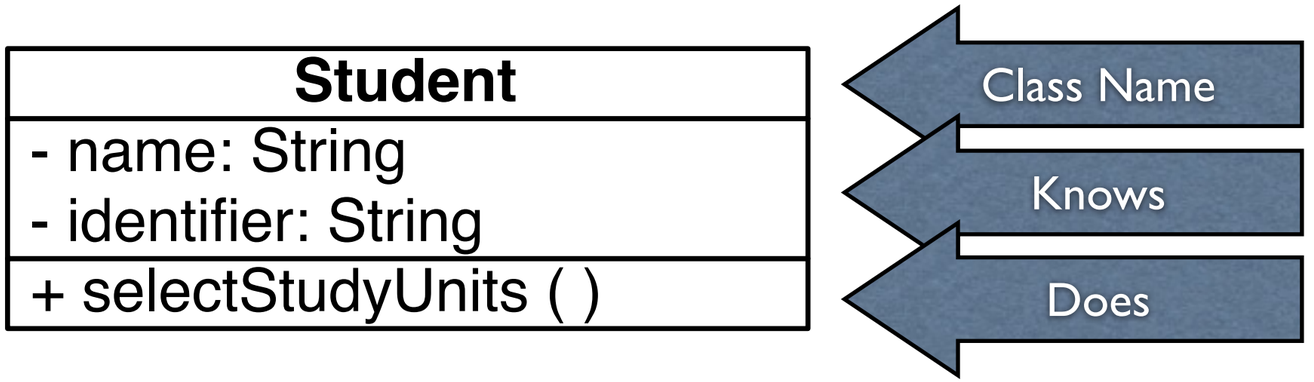
I'm a Cell...
I can hold a piece.

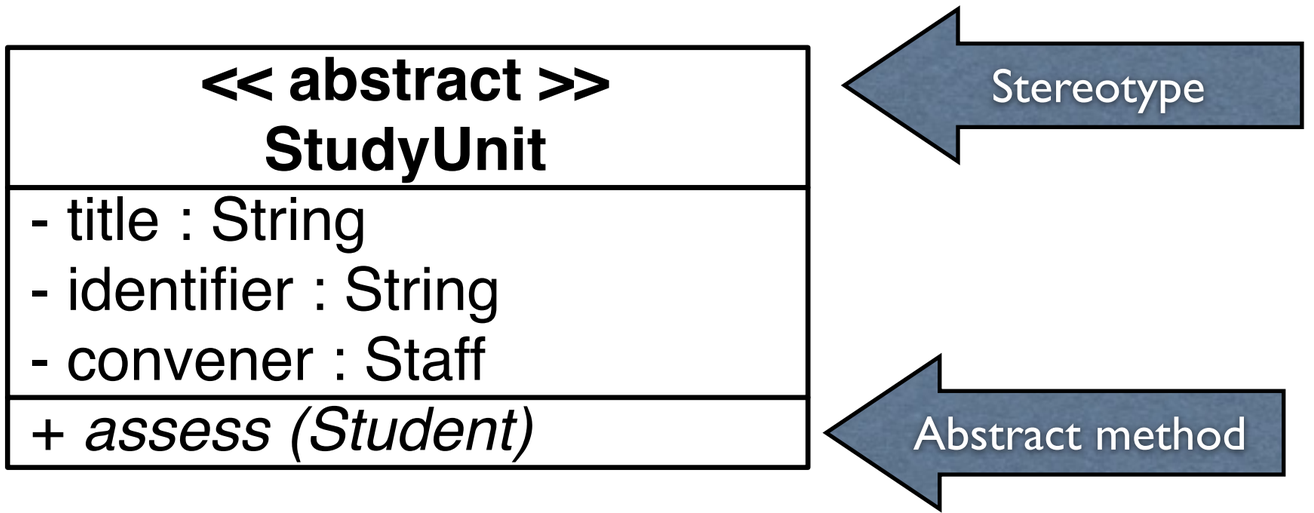
Explore responsibilities using CRC cards

Pawn

knows its color
knows its valid moves
can become a Queen
can take another piece

Document responsibilities in UML class diagrams

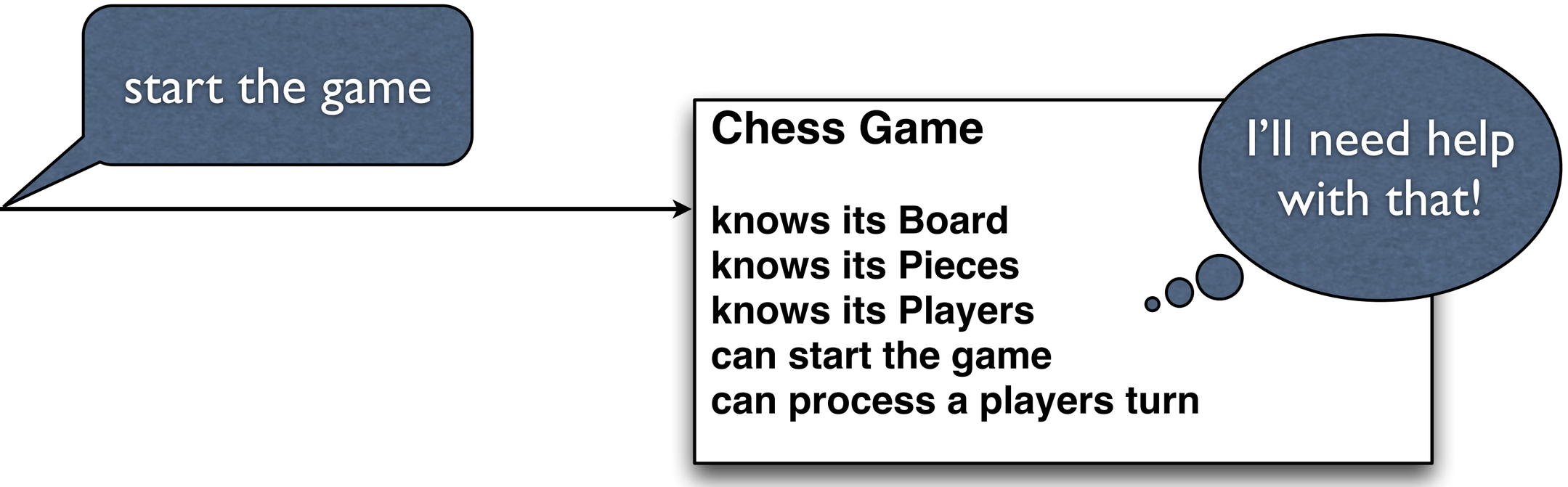




Task 2: Identify some responsibilities for the roles

Collaborate with other objects to meet responsibilities

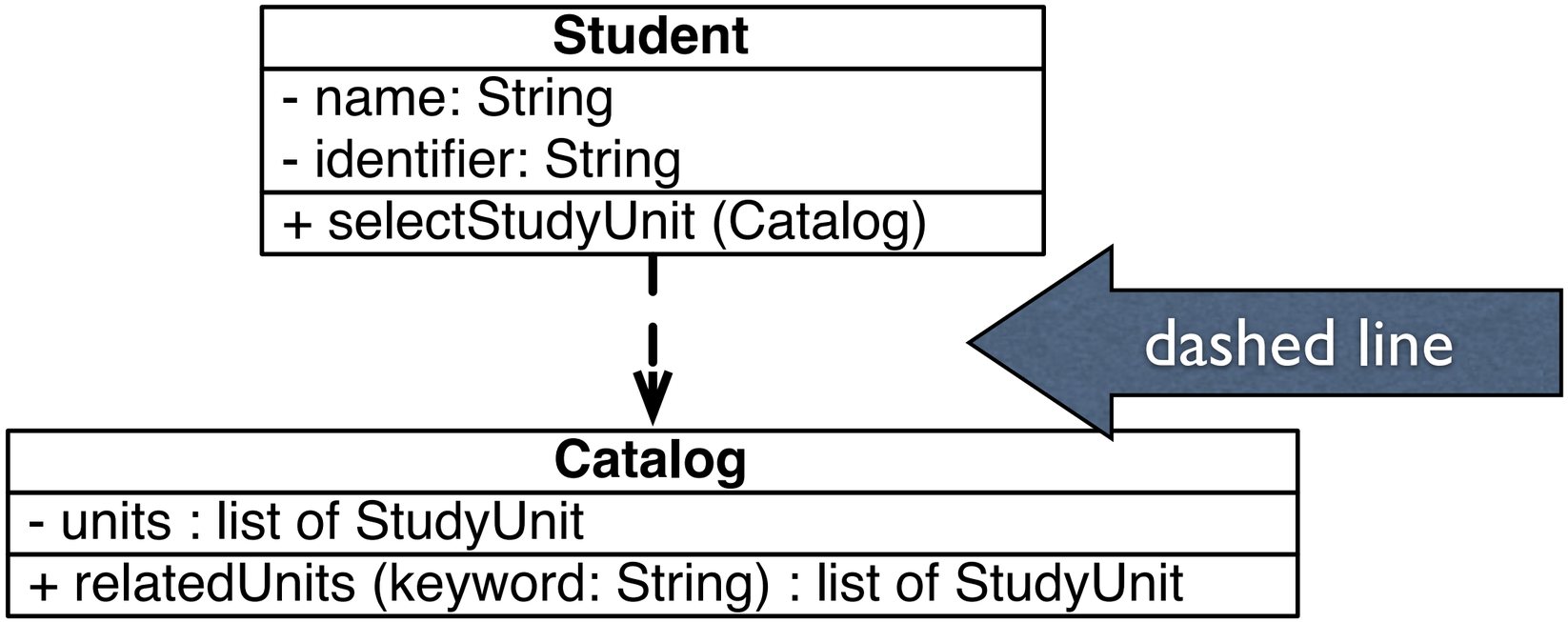
When asked to perform a task, objects can ask others for help



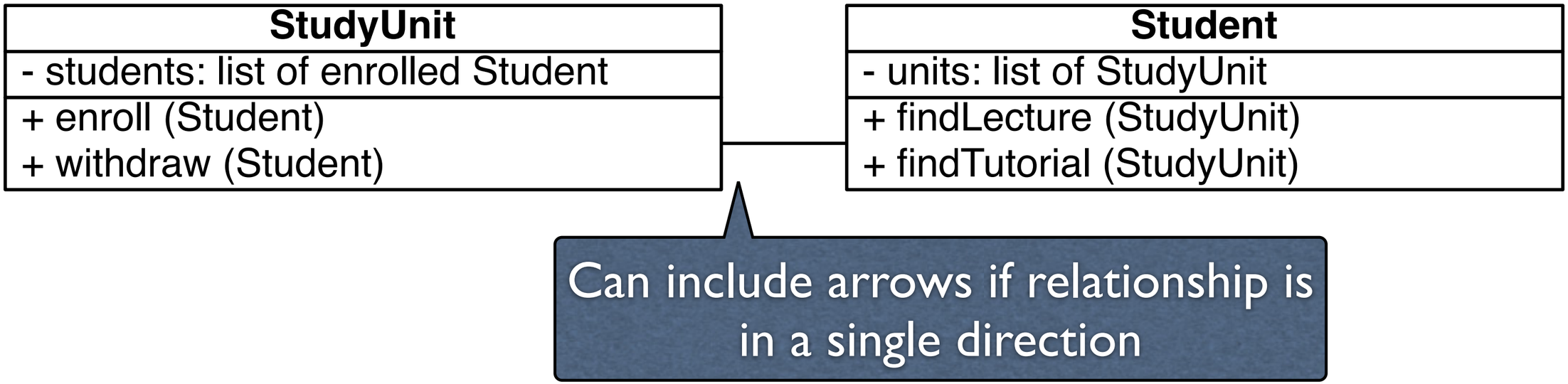
Think of collaborations as a **client/ supplier** interaction or as a contract

Use the different kinds of relationships to help identify possible links

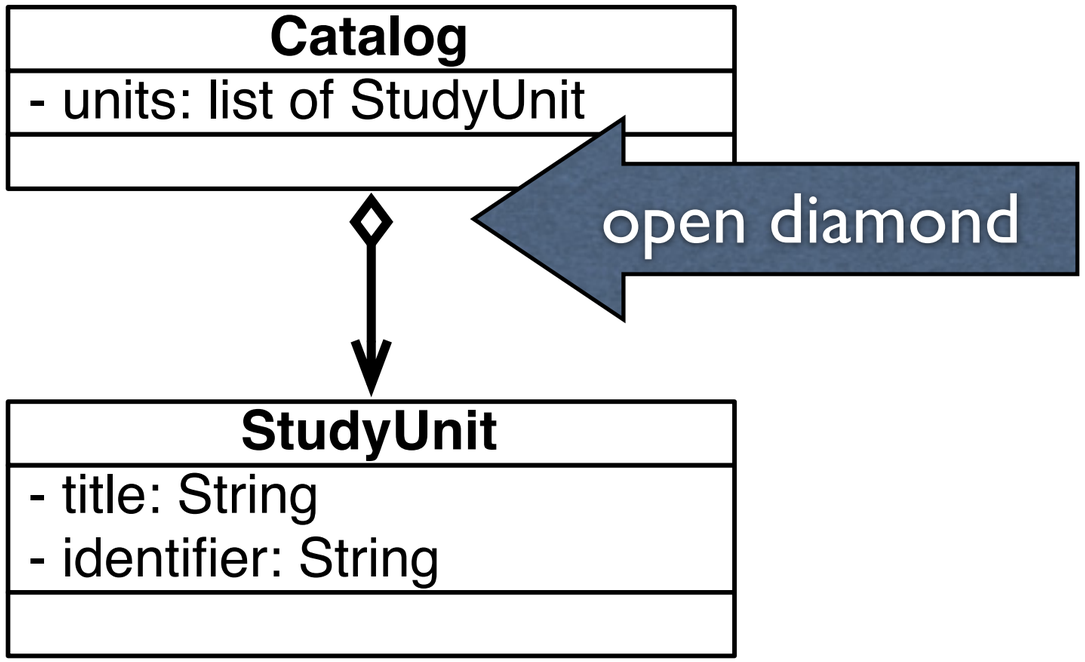
Dependence involves temporary use of another object



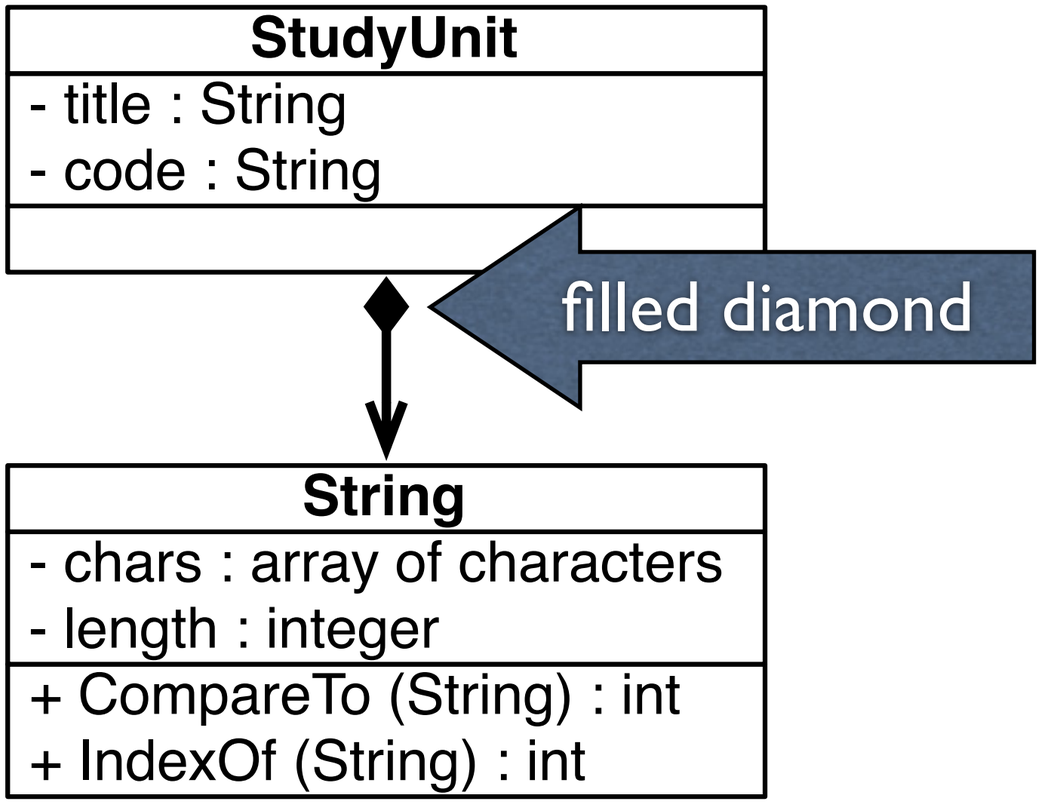
Permanent relationships are modelled as association, using a solid line in UML



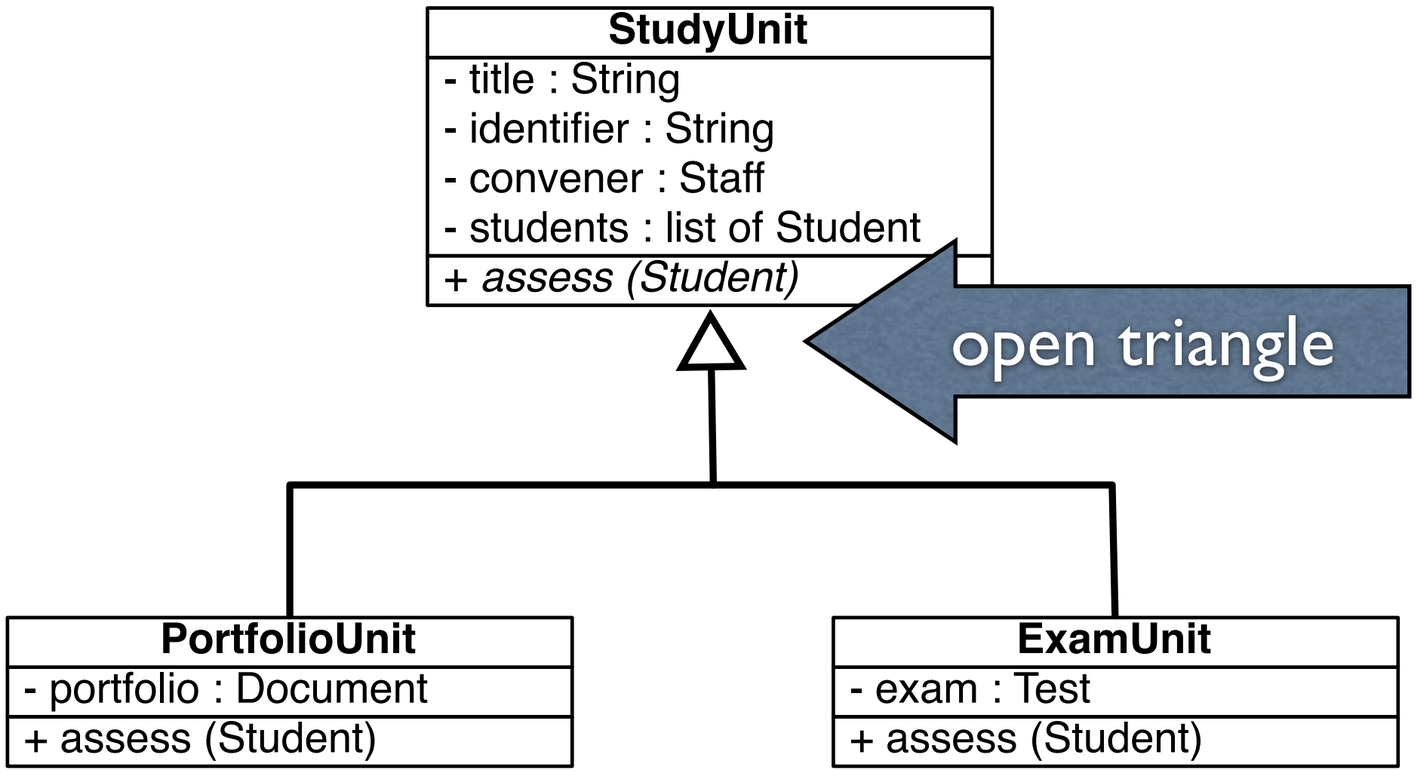
Aggregation extends association to indicate a whole-part relation



Composition is a kind of aggregation, indicating destruction of the whole involves destruction of the part



Inheritance captures class and interface inheritance for specialisation/generalisation



Use scenarios to test how your model responds to events and implements features

Chess Game

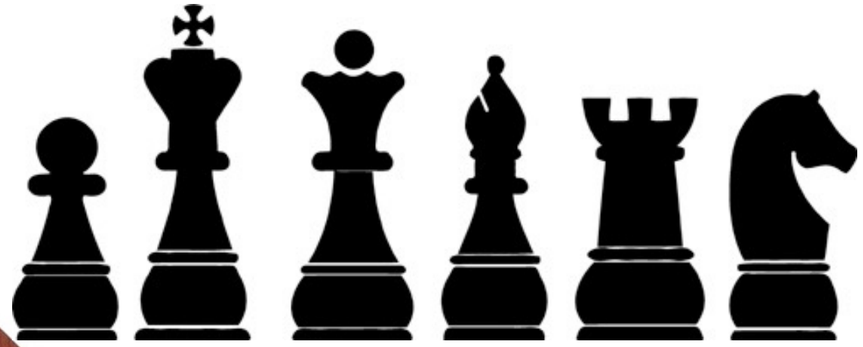
knows its Board
knows its Pieces
knows its Players
can start the game
can process a players turn

Board, setup.

Rook, exist.

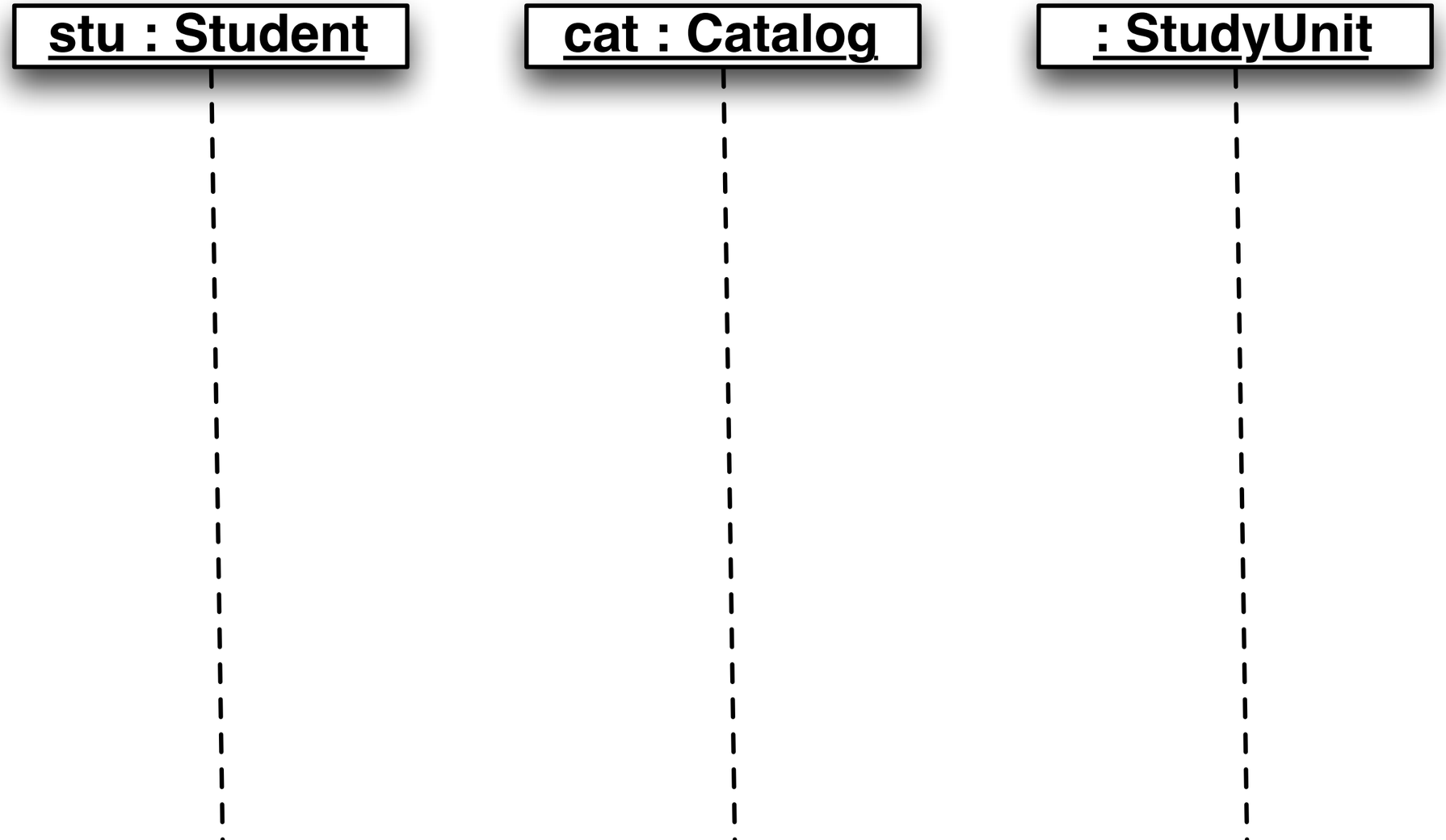
Rook, this is your King.

Cell, hold this Rook.

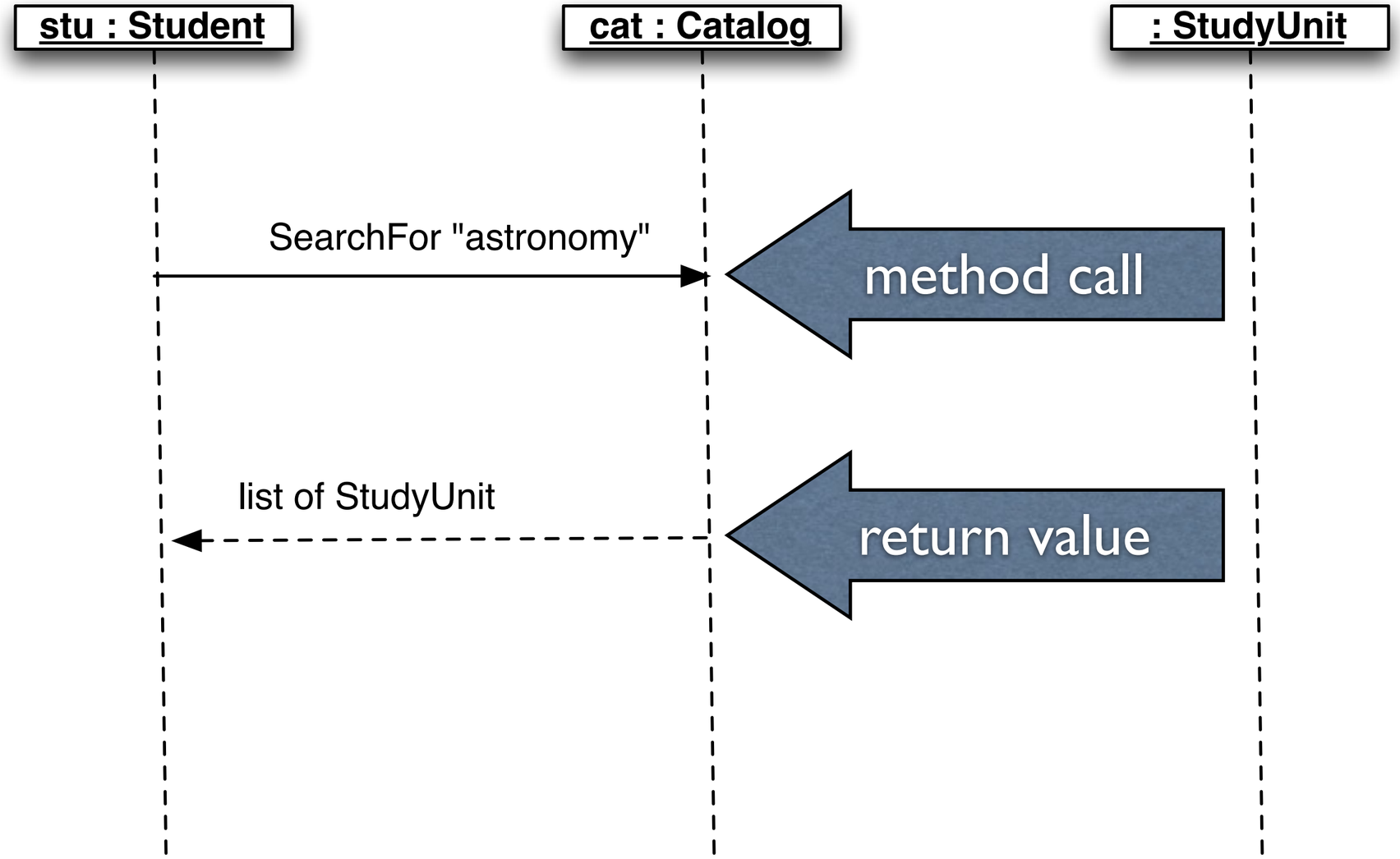


Communicate these dynamic interactions using sequence diagrams

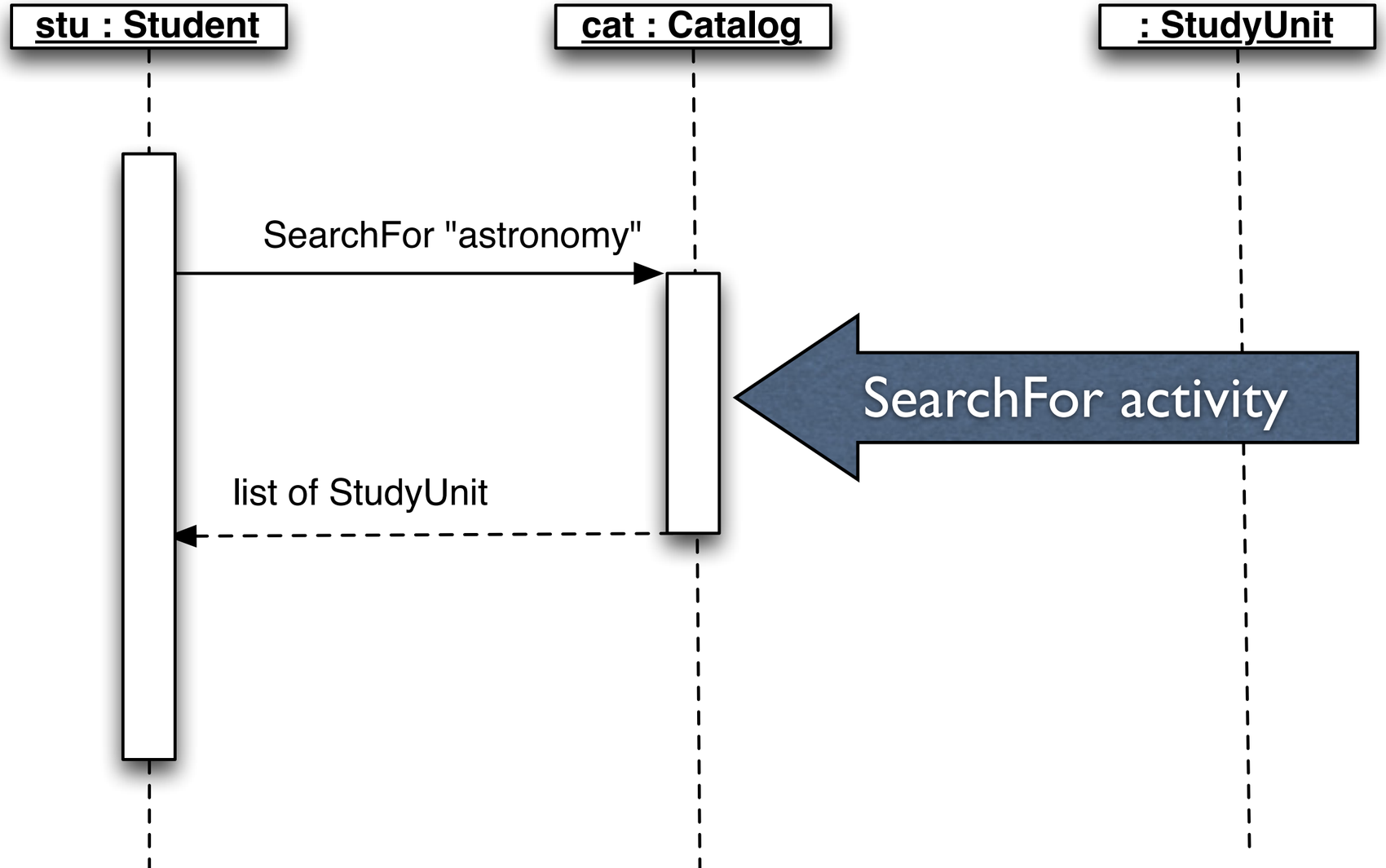
Think of sequence diagrams as scripts, with life lines defining the existence of objects



Draw arrows between lifelines to show message passing (method calls)

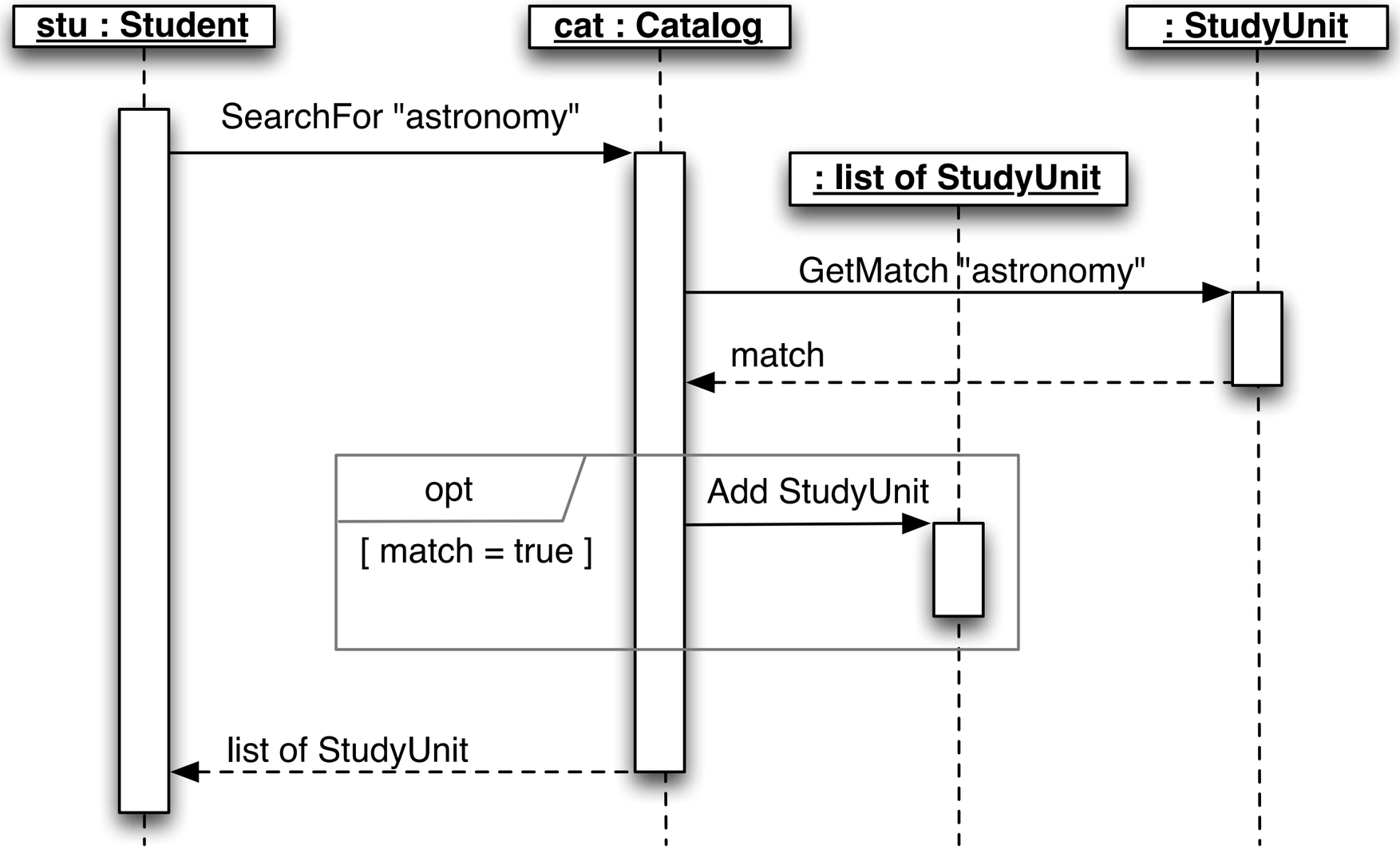


Use boxes to represent **activity**: when it is doing something or waiting for something to be done

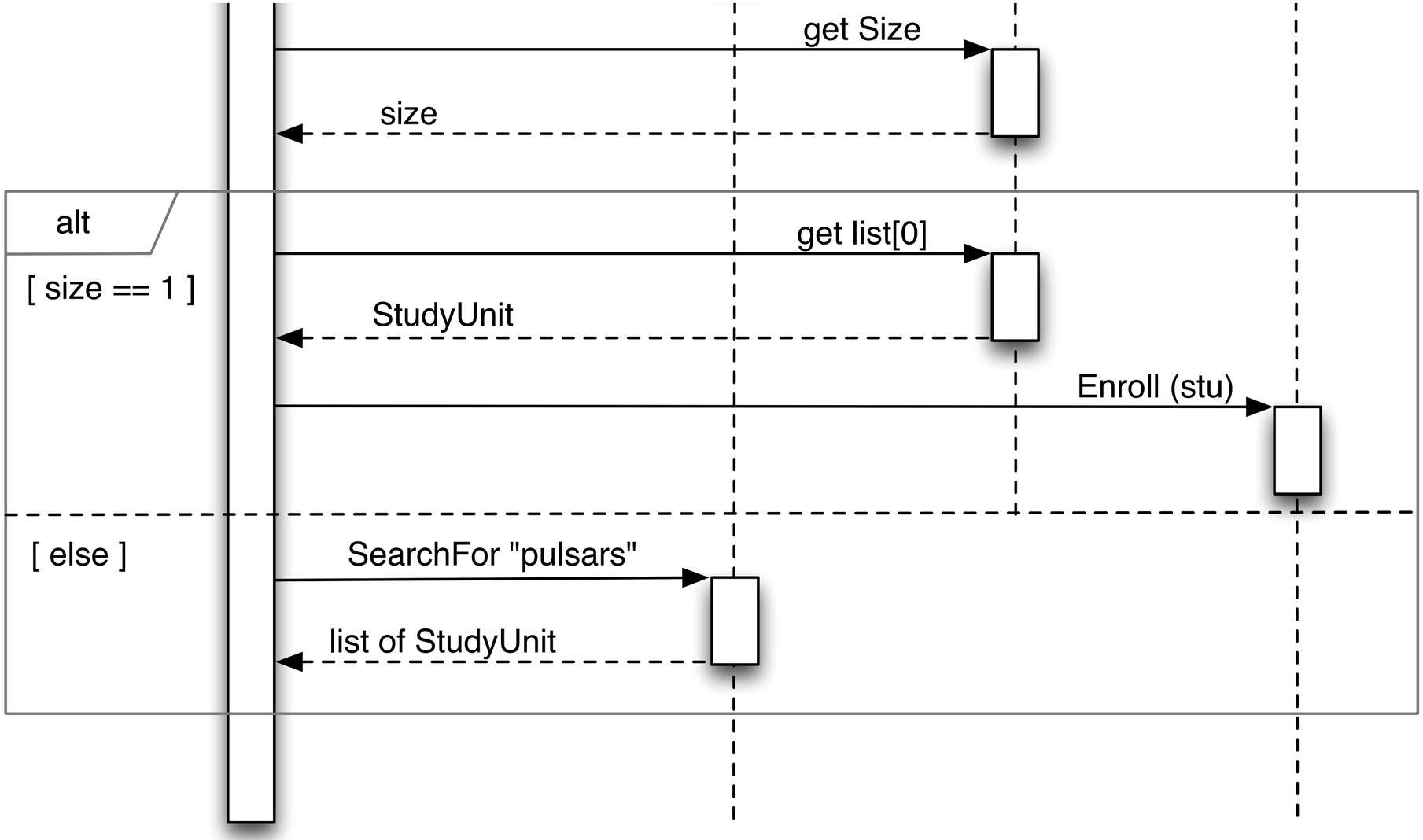


Show control flow logic using **combination fragments**

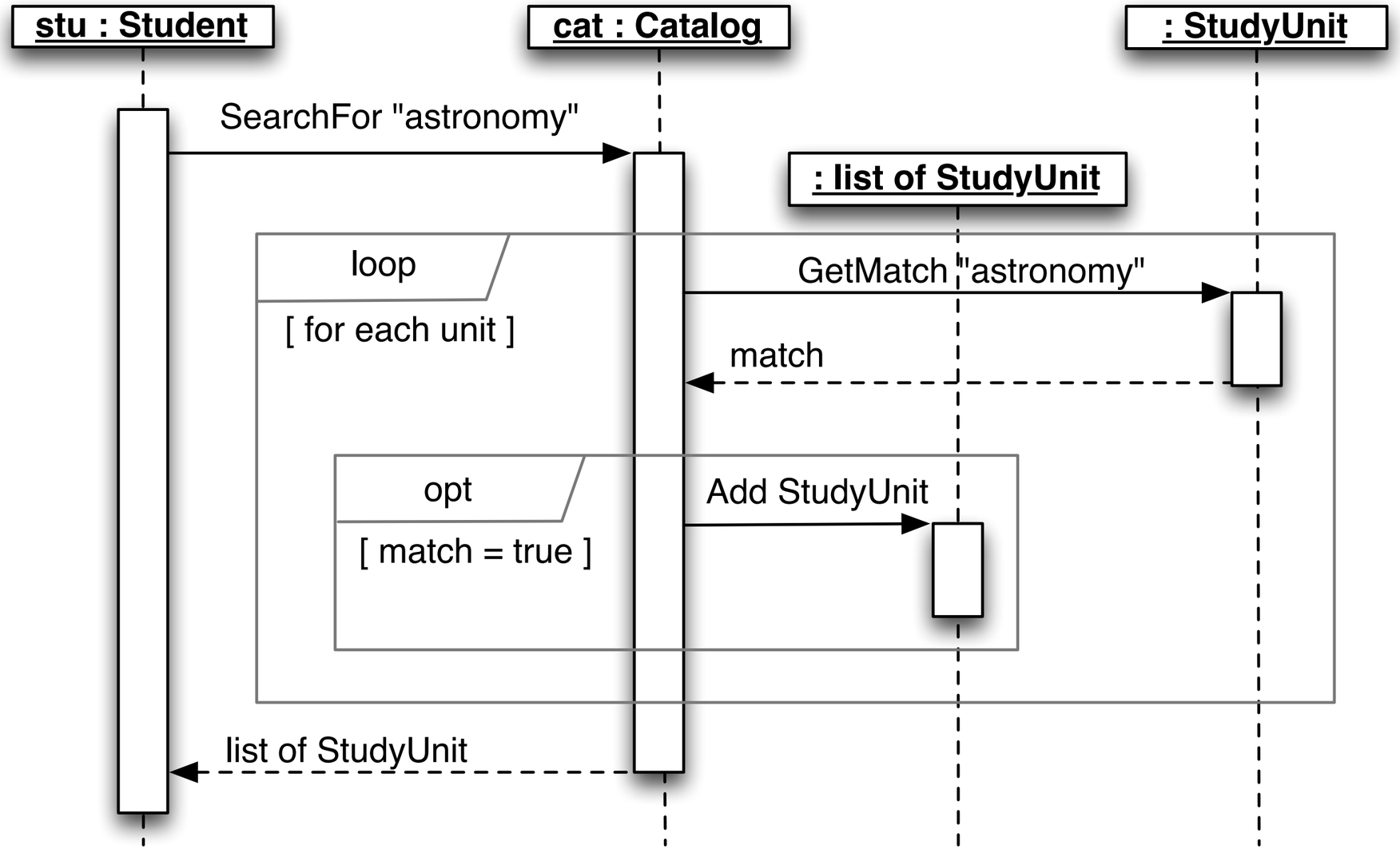
Model if using options



Show alternatives to model if with else



Use loops to model repetition



Task 3: Identify some collaborations
How will objects work together?

Will roles, responsibilities, and collaborations help you design object oriented programs?

Effective designs ease the process of implementation, for teams and individual developers

Create effective OO designs using Roles, Responsibilities, and Collaborations

Responsibility driven design focuses on object roles, responsibilities, and interactions

Roles, Responsibilities, and Collaborations