Overview of Unified Modelling Language (UML)

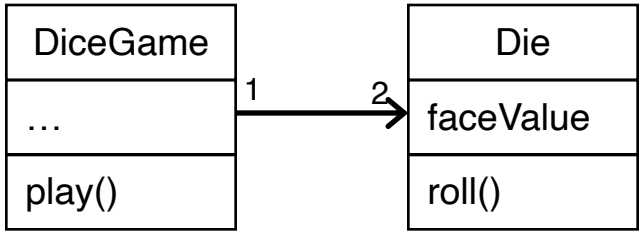
Topics Today

- Diagrams for Static model
  - Class diagrams
- Diagrams for Dynamic behavior
  - Sequence diagrams
  - Collaboration diagrams
  - State diagrams

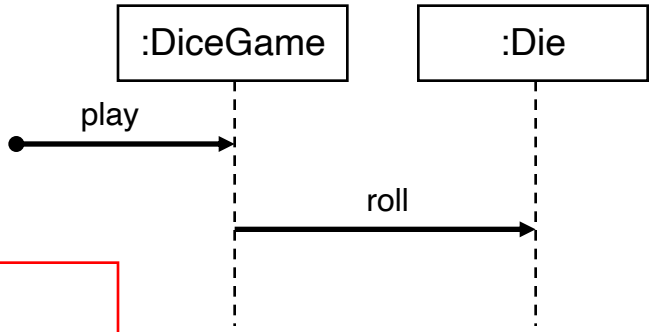
Static and Dynamic Modeling

- Static Models: Help design the definition of packages, class names, attributes, and method signatures
  - class diagrams, package diagrams, deployment diagrams
- Dynamic Models: Help design the logic, the behavior of the code or the method bodies
  - sequence diagrams, communication diagrams, state diagrams, activity diagrams

static model



dynamic model



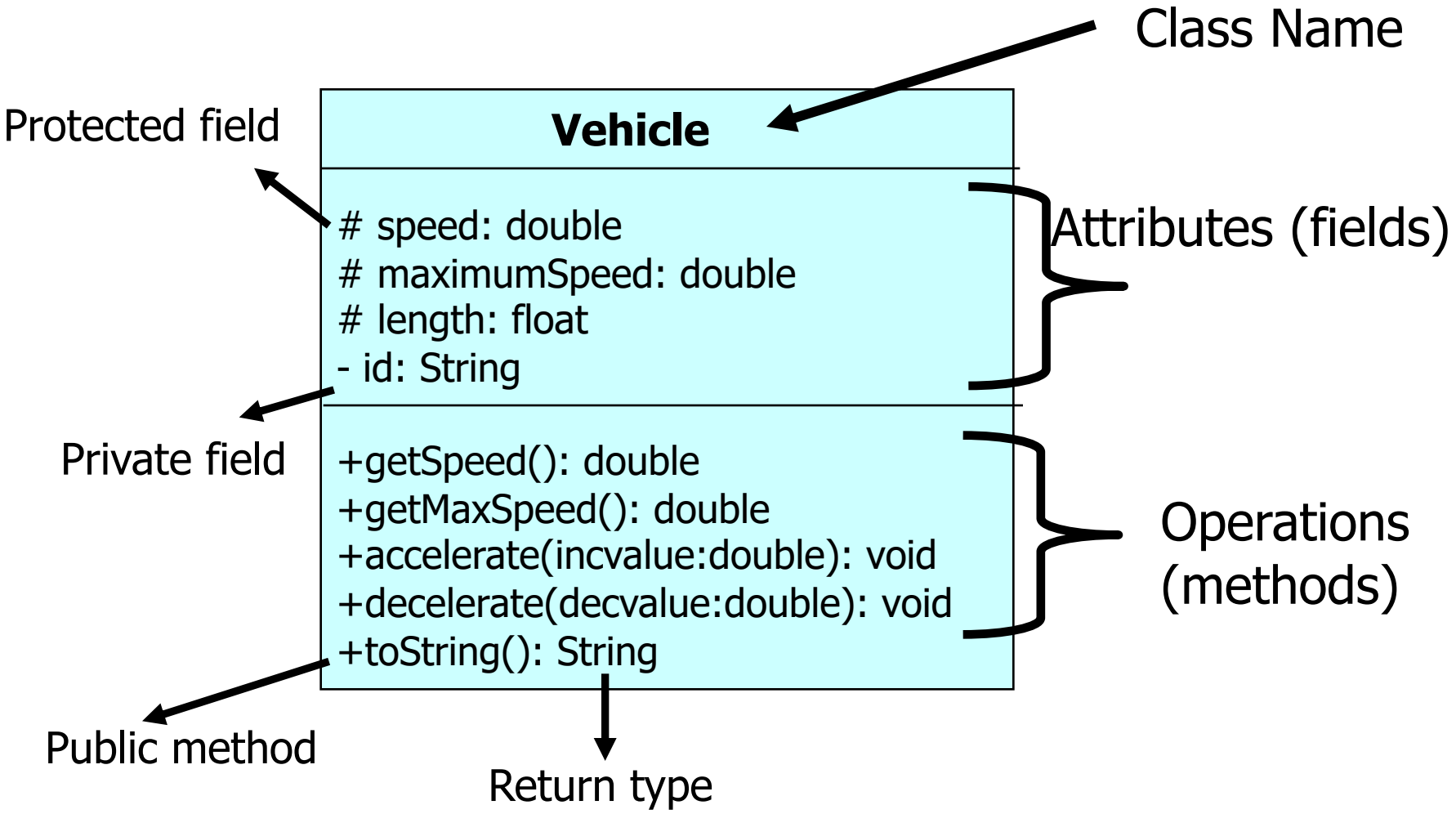
Create models in parallel !

Spend significant time doing interaction diagrams, not just class diagrams

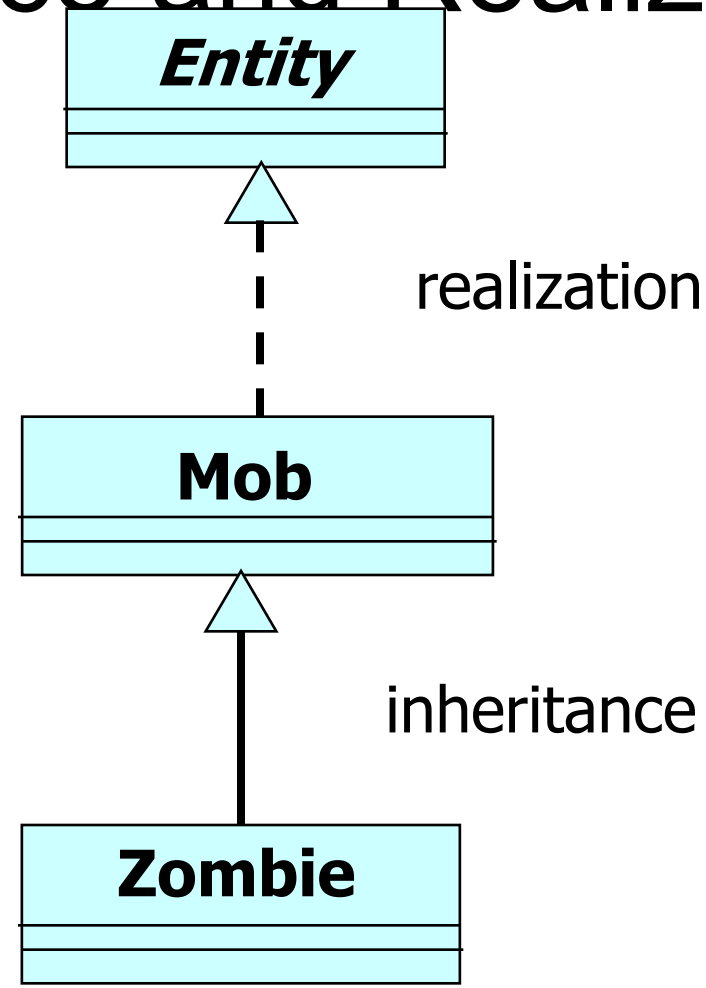
Class Diagrams

- Represent the Static structure
- Classes/interfaces in the system and their relations
  - Inheritance
  - Realization
  - Associations
    - Multiplicity
    - Composition
    - Aggregation

Class Representation

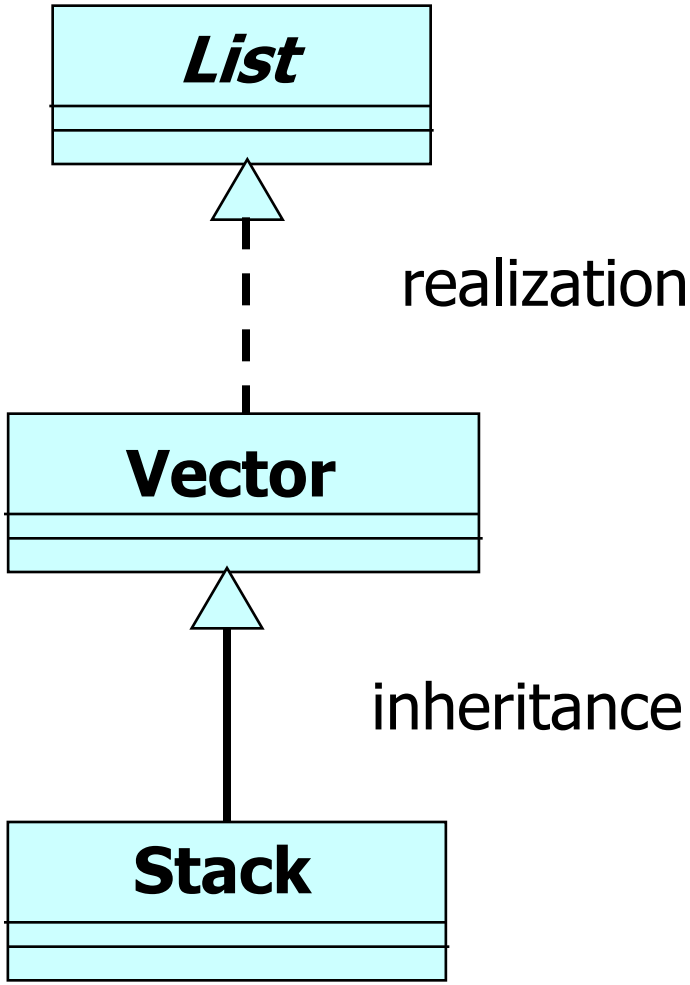


Inheritance and Realization

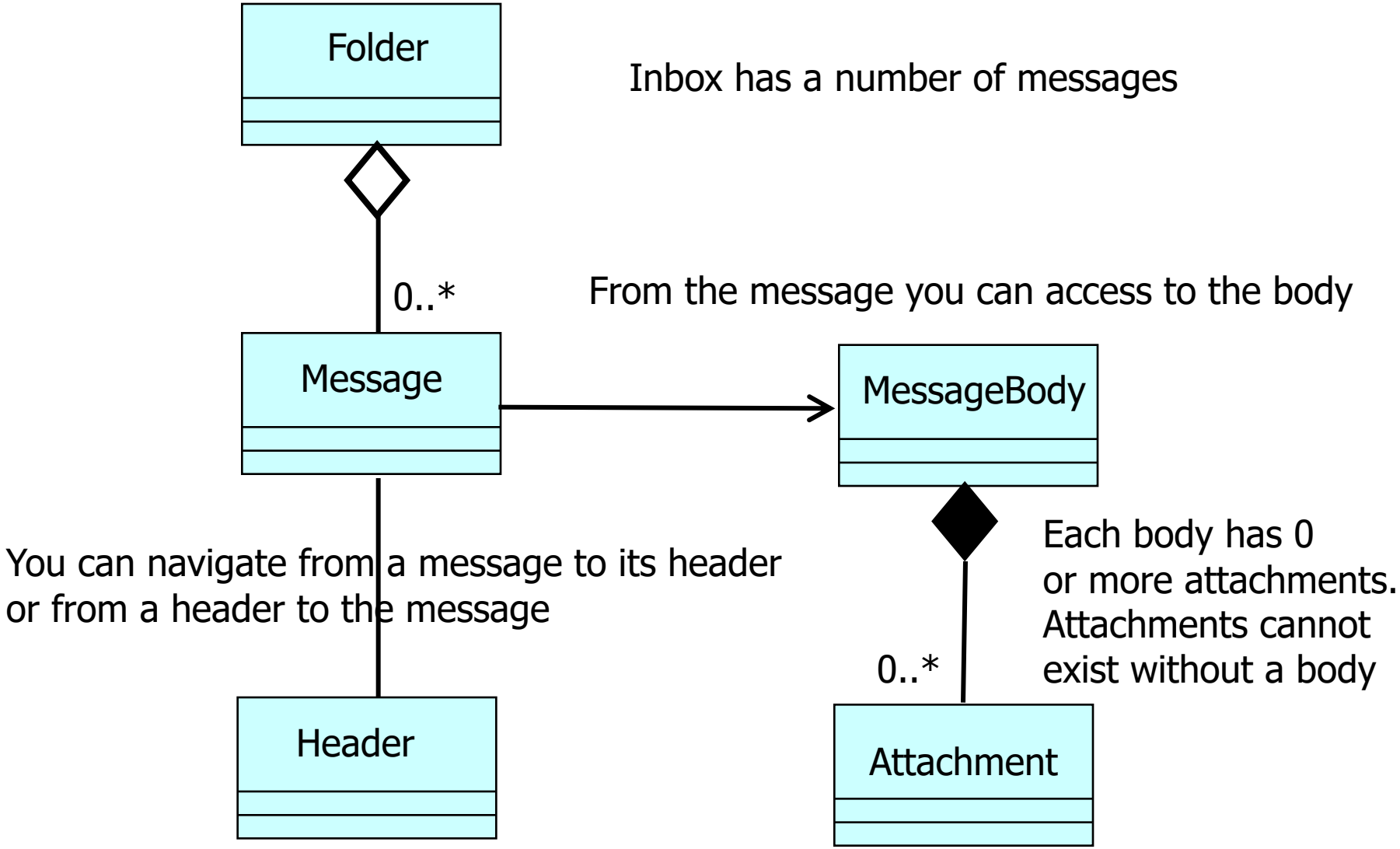


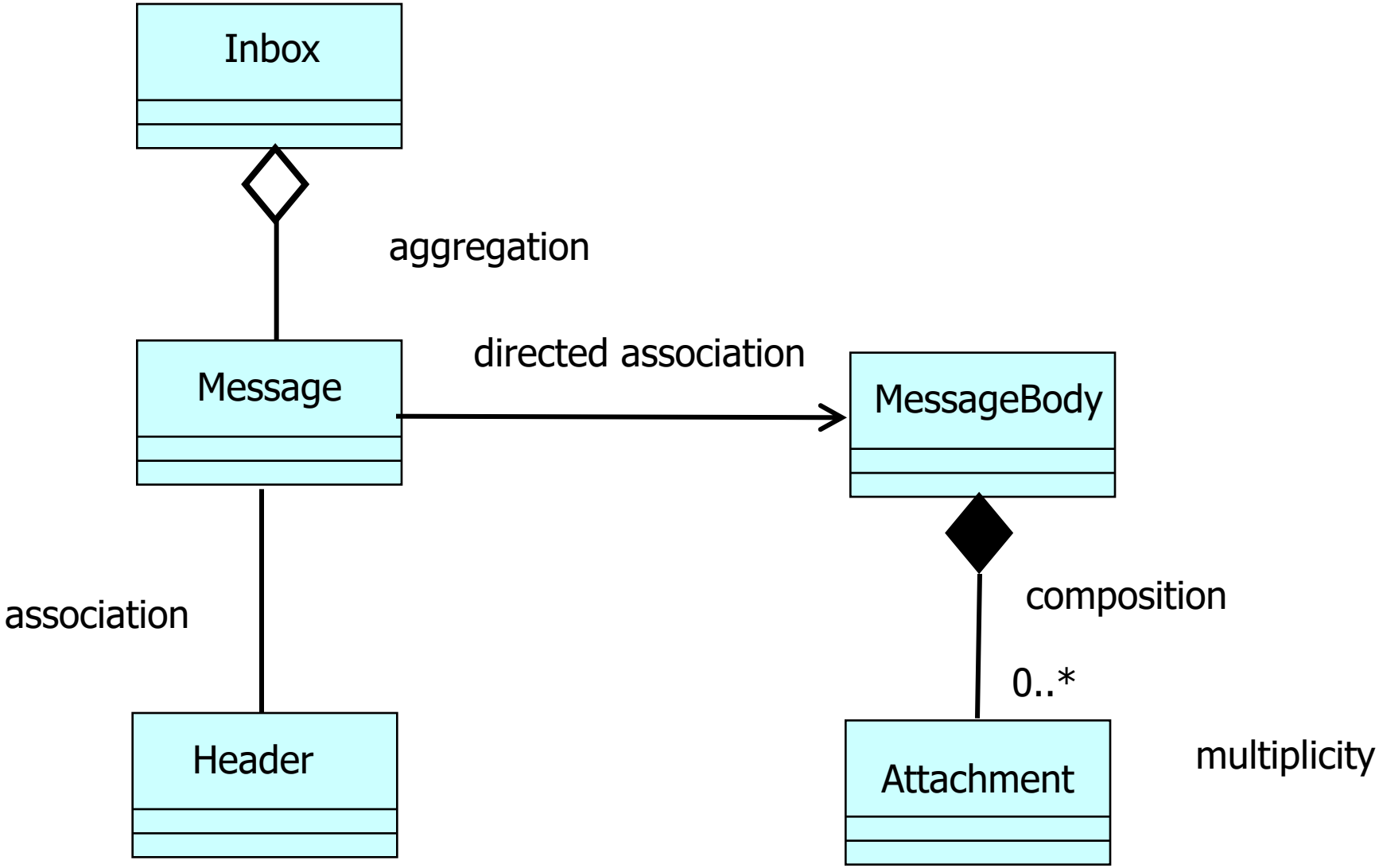
IS-A
relation

BAD!



Associations




Inbox
aggregation
Message
directed association
MessageBody
association
composition
0..*
Header
Attachment
multiplicity

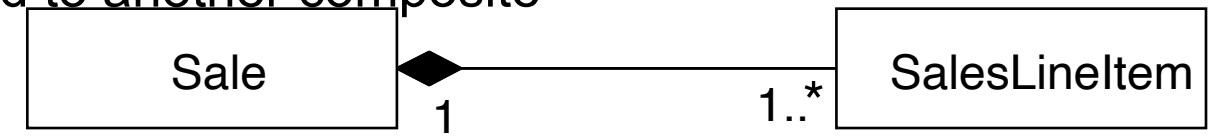
Relationship Summary

- Association
  - When two classes are connected to each other in any way
  - You can define the flow of the association by using a directed association. The arrowhead identifies the container-contained relationship
- Aggregation
  - When a class is formed as a collection of other classes,
  - It is also called a "**has a**" relationship.
- Composition
  - When there is a strong life cycle is associated between the classes.
  - part and whole live and die together
- Multiplicity
  - one to many, many to many, many to one, one to one, etc.
- Dependency
  - When one entity depends on the behavior of another entity.

Composition - Aggregation

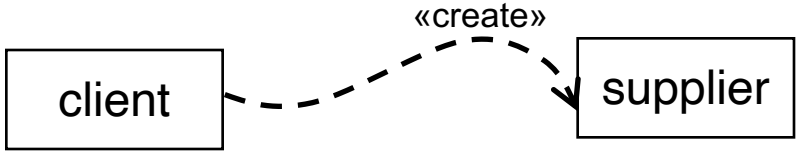
- Aggregation: A kind of association that loosely suggests whole-part relationships

- Composition: A strong kind of whole-part aggregation
  - e.g., GameBoard-Square
  - A composition relationship implies
    - An instance of the part belongs to only one composite instance at a time
    - The part must always belong to a composite
    - ***The composite is responsible for the creation and deletion of parts***
      - either by itself or by collaborating with other objects
  - If the composite is destroyed, its parts must either be destroyed, or attached to another composite

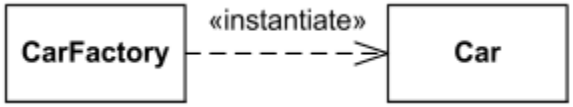


Dependency

- A client element has knowledge of another supplier element, and
- A change in the supplier could affect the client

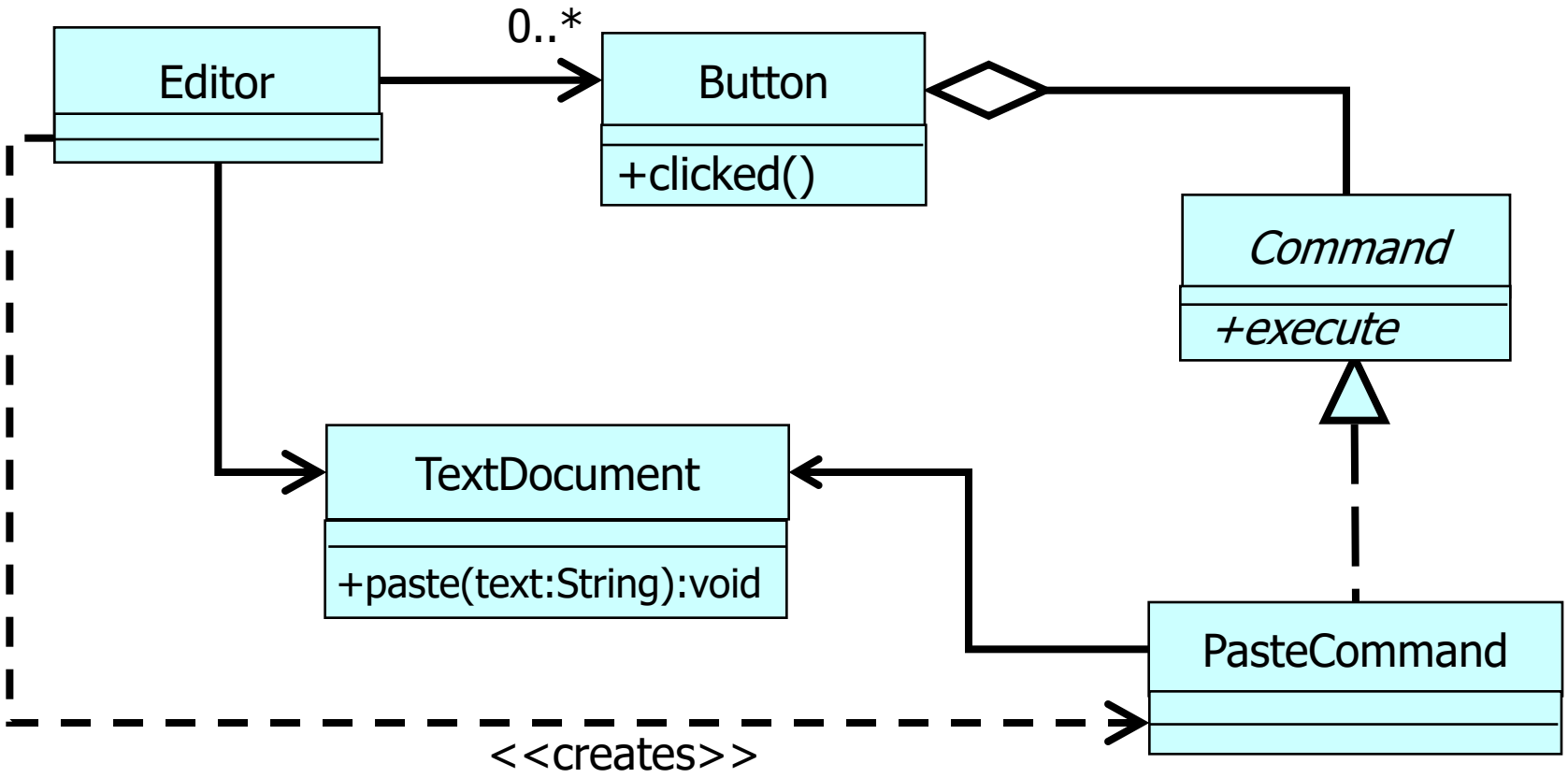


- use for depicting global, parameter variable, local variable, and static-method dependency between objects
  - Class A depends on class B if the B is a parameter variable or local variable of a method of A.
- To show the type of dependency, a label can be used



CarFactory depends on the Car class. Car class could be defined without the knowledge of CarFactory class, but CarFactory requires Car for its definition because it produces Cars

Sample Class Diagram

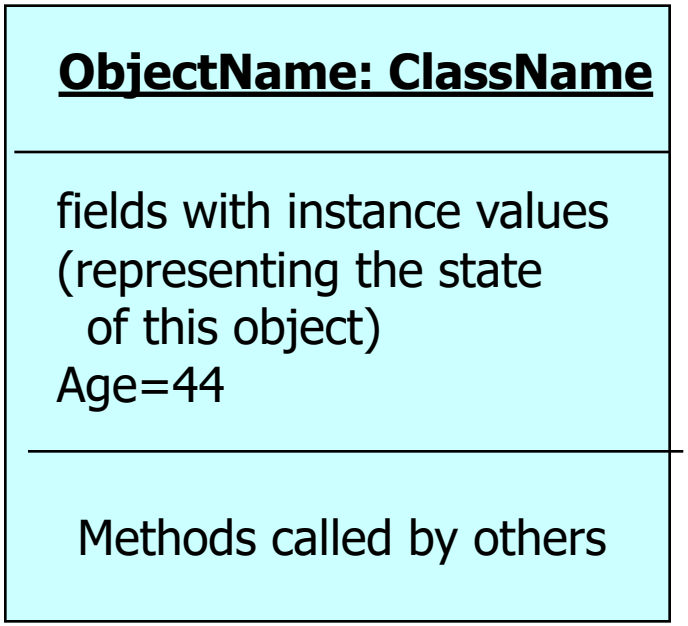


Dependency

Dynamic Behavior Diagrams

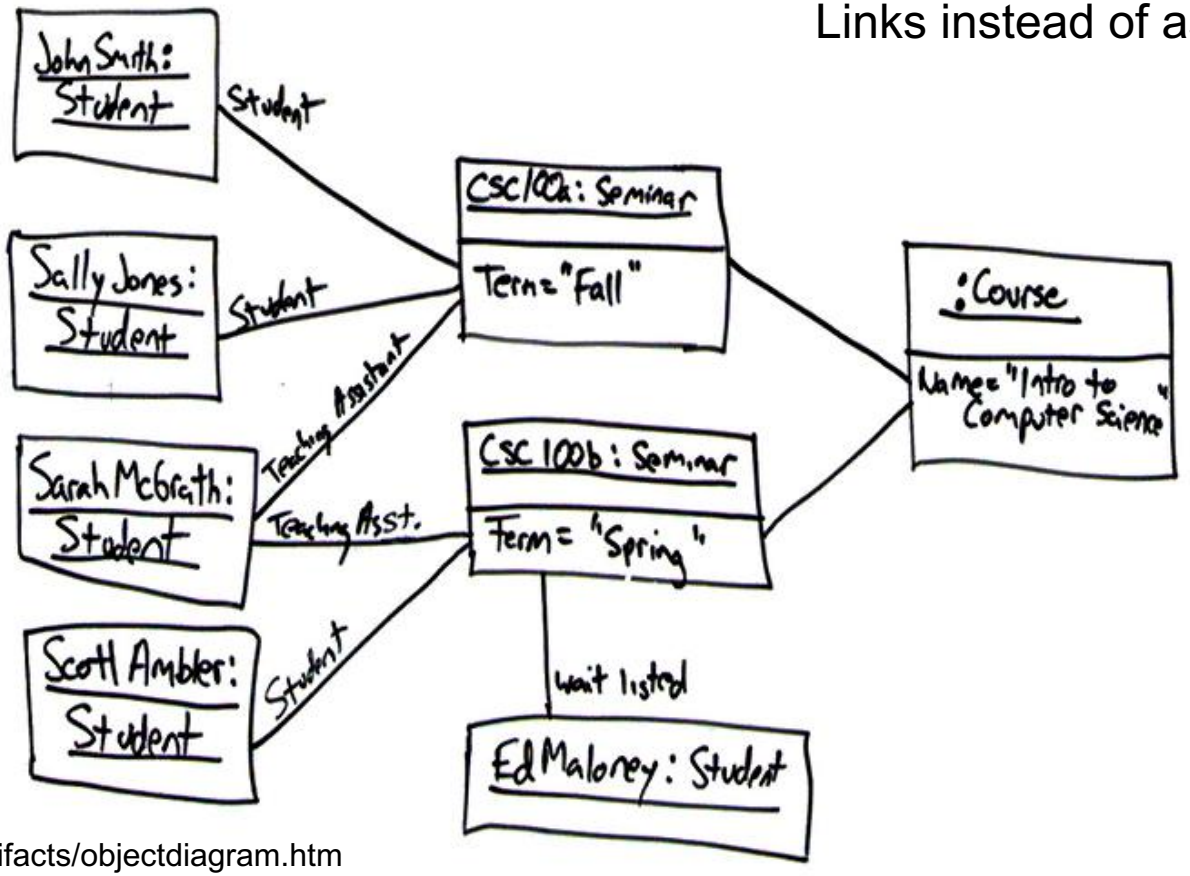
- Object diagram
  - to show the object interaction during runtime
- Sequence diagram
  - to show the sequence of actions that occur in a system
- Collaboration diagram
  - to show objects, the links connecting them, and the interactions over each link

Object Representation



UML object diagrams

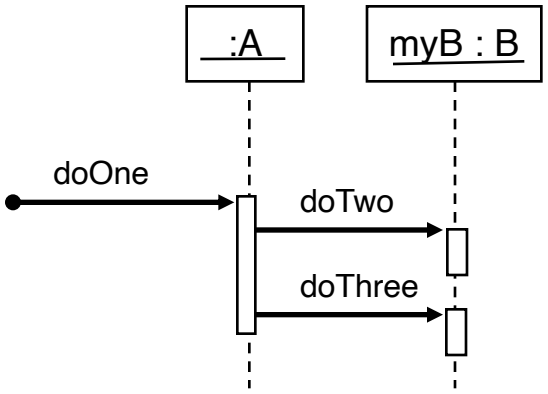
- they show objects and the connections between them.



https://agilemodeling.com/artifacts/objectdiagram.htm

Representing Interactions

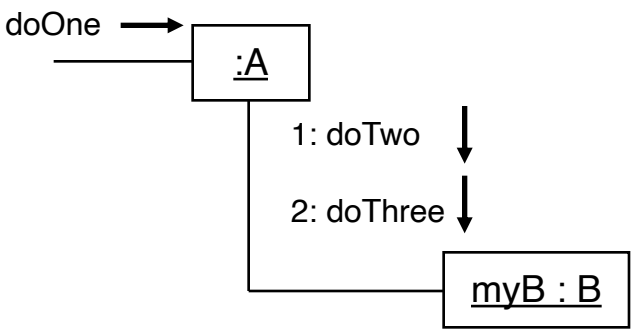
- Two common diagrams (both can express similar interactions):
  - Sequence diagrams: illustrate interactions in a kind of fence format
  - Communication diagrams: illustrate object interactions in a graph or network format



sequence diagram

```
public class A{
  private B myB = new B;
  public void doOne(){
    myB.doTwo();
    myB.doThree();
  }
  …
}
```

partial definition of class A

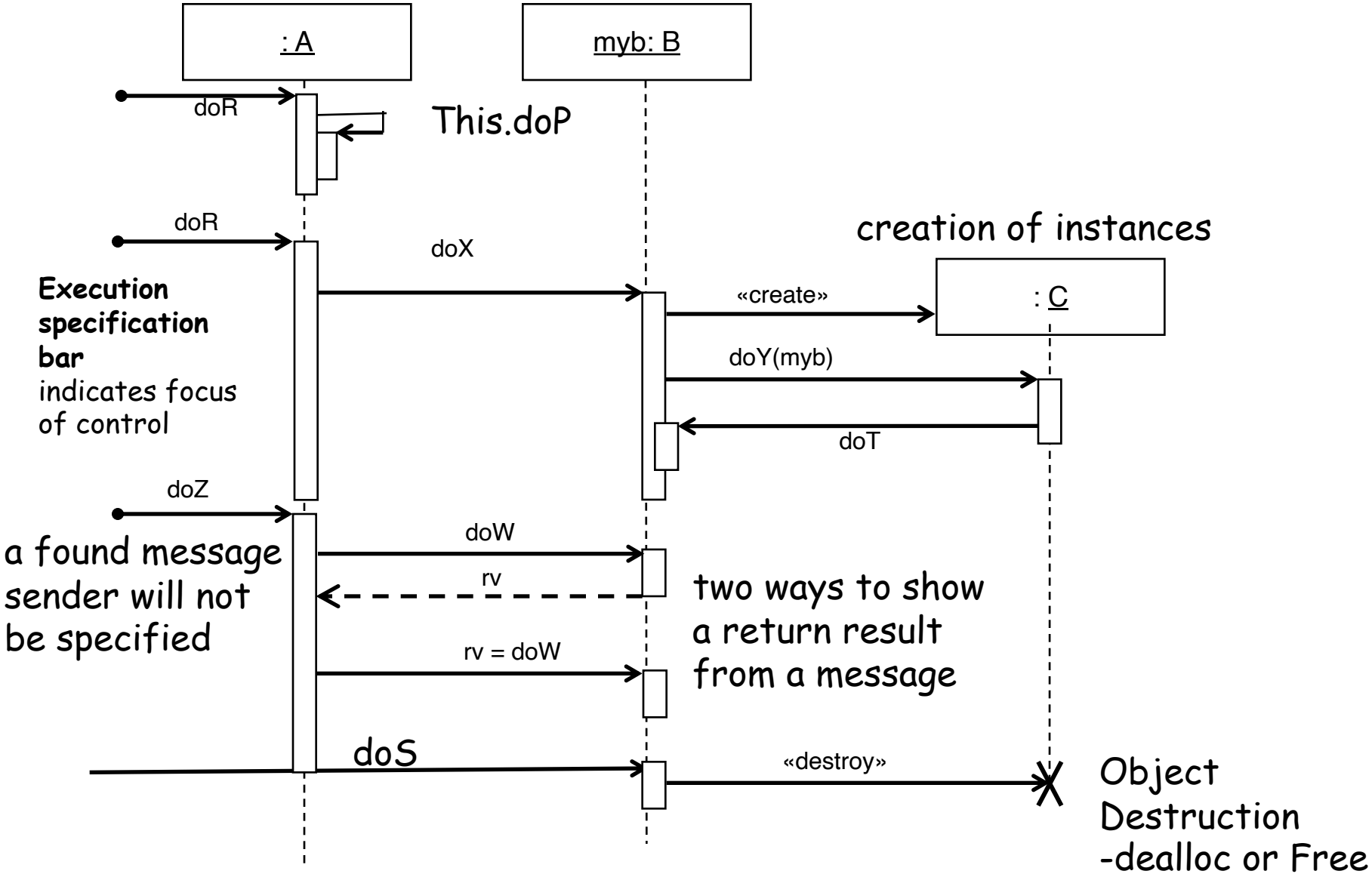


communication diagram

Sequence diagrams

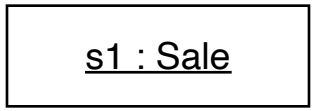
- To define the sequence of actions that occur in a system
- Two dimension
  - shows the life of the objects
  - shows the sequence of the creation or invocation of the objects

Messages

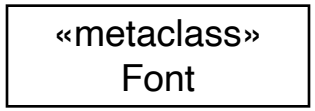

: A
myb: B
doR
This.doP
doR
doX
creation of instances
«create»
: C
Execution specification bar indicates focus of control
doY(myb)
doT
doZ
doW
rv
a found message sender will not be specified
two ways to show a return result from a message
rv = doW
doS
«destroy»
Object Destruction -dealloc or Free

Lifeline Boxes

unnamed instance of class Sale

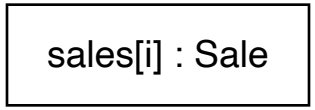


a named instance of class Sale



represents the **class** Font.
Used in representing static method invocations

represents an instance of ArrayList class, parameterized to hold Sale objects

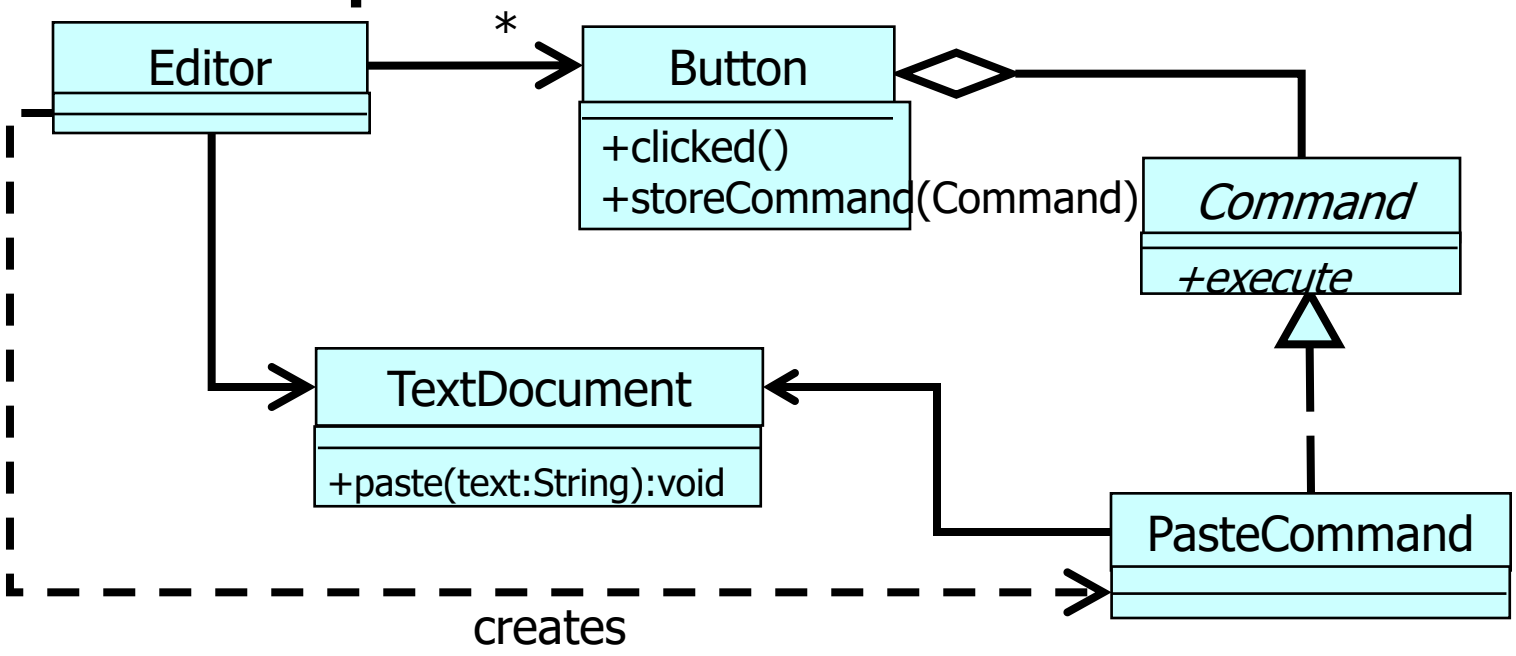


represents one instance of class Sale, selected from the sales

1 implies this is a singleton

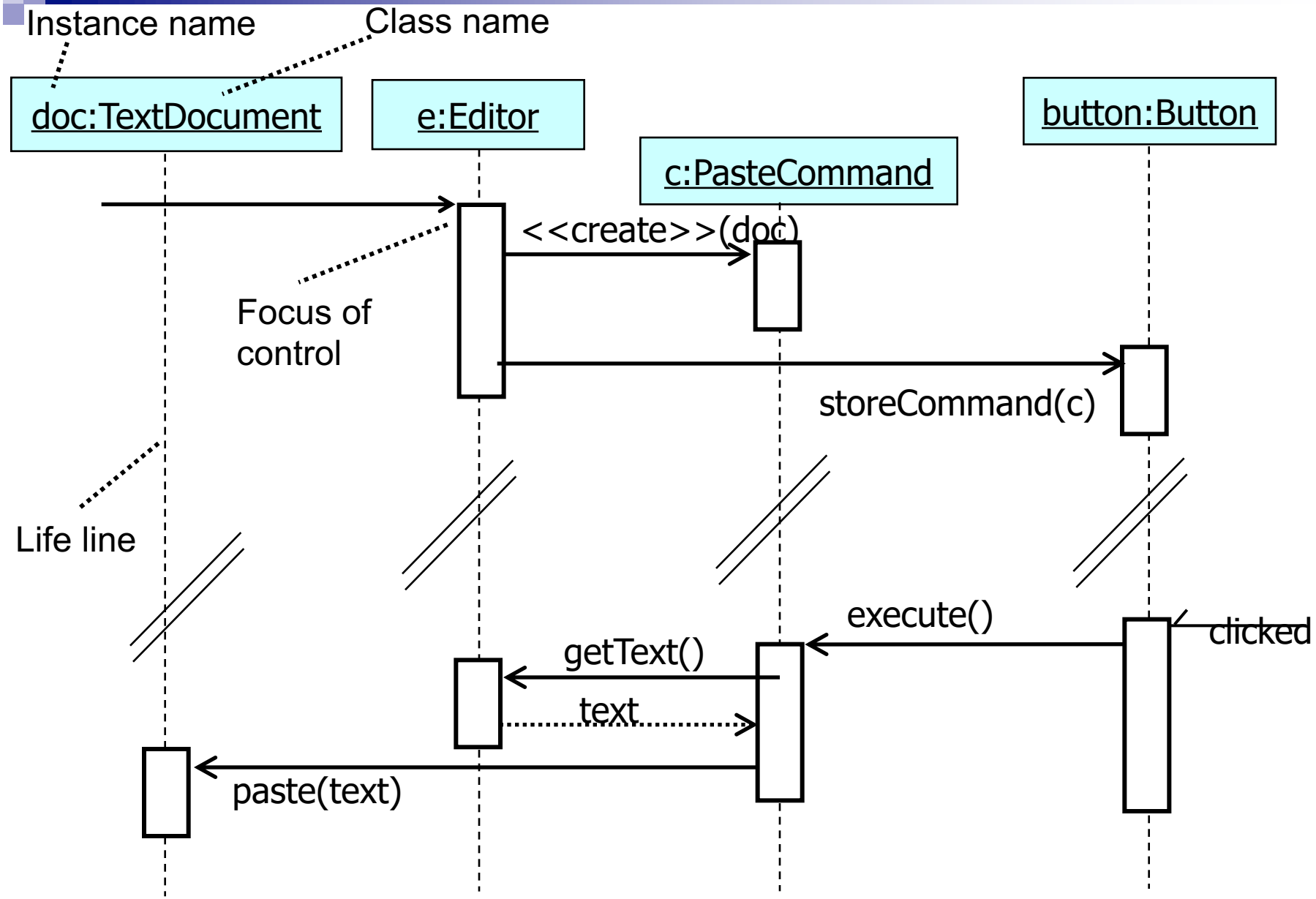
Lifeline boxes represent the participants in the interaction

Example



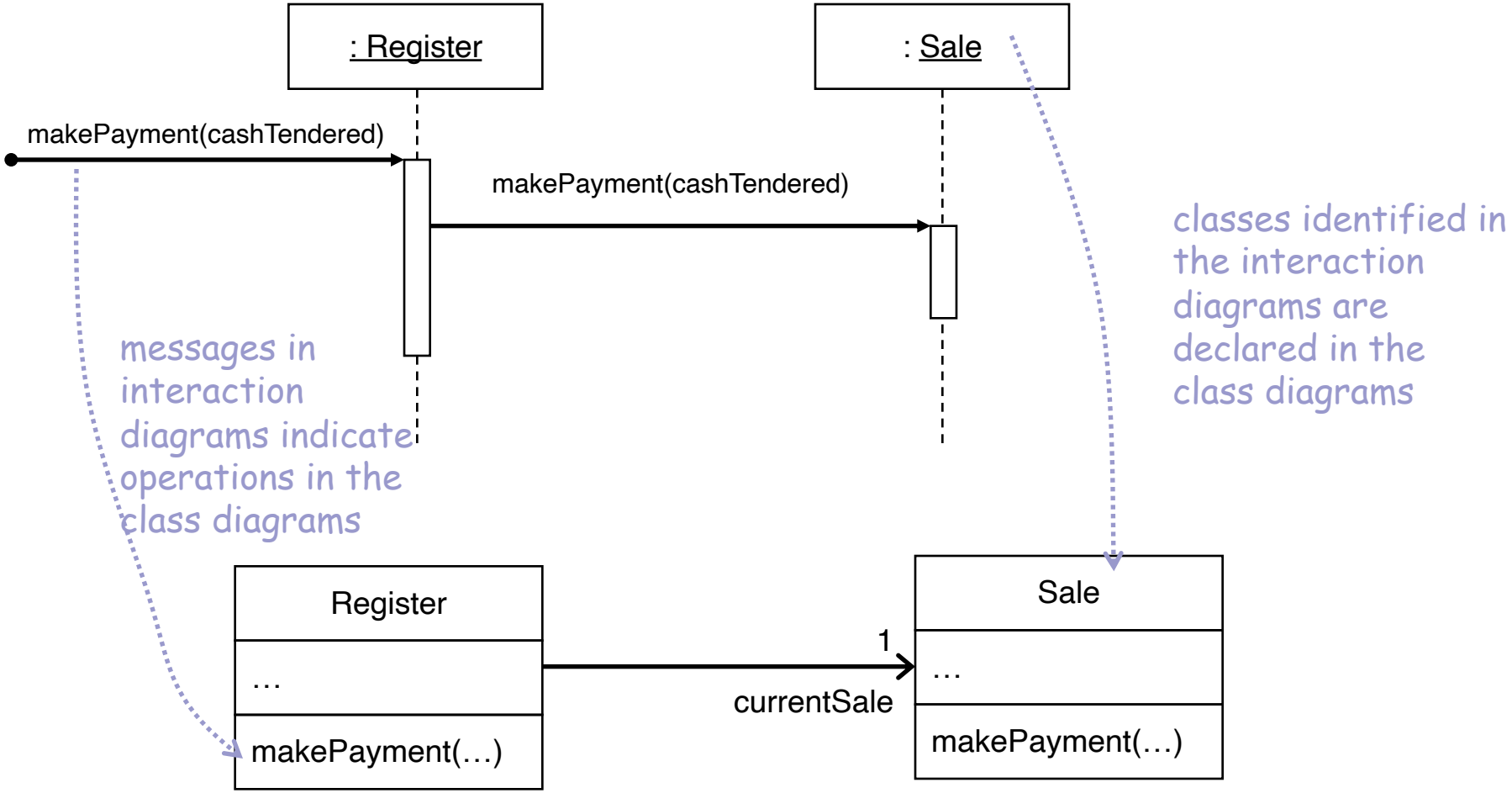
Let's describe a scenario of this system with a sequence diagram

Scenario: Issue a paste command and when clicked on the button perform the paste action (i.e. PasteCommand.execute invoked)



This sequence diagram is not in synch with the class diagram on prev page

Relationship Between Sequence & Class Diagrams



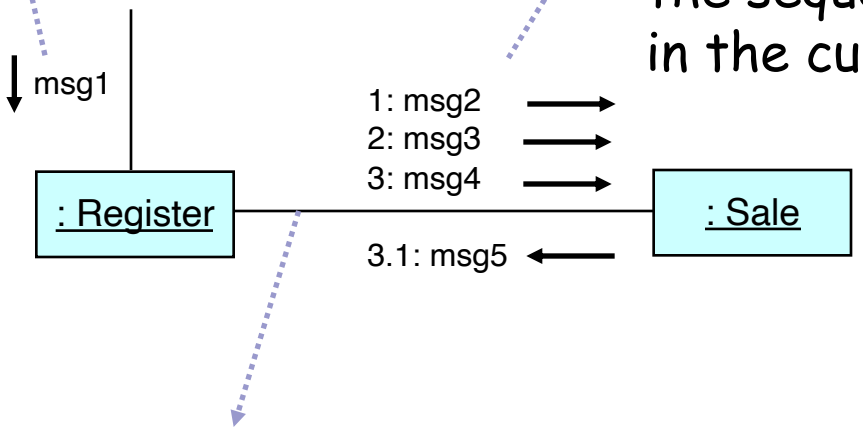
Communication Diagrams

- Collaboration diagrams in uml1
- Shows objects, links among them, interactions over each link
- Differences between sequence diagram
  - Shows links among objects besides interactions
  - More compact
    - Sometimes too compact to understand

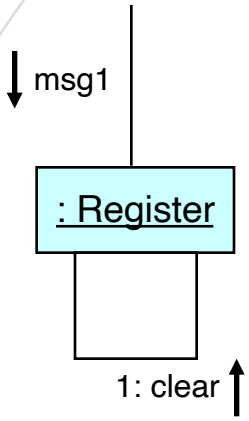
Communication Diagram

no need to number the starting message

All messages flow on the same link. Sequence number is added to show the sequential order of messages in the current thread of control.

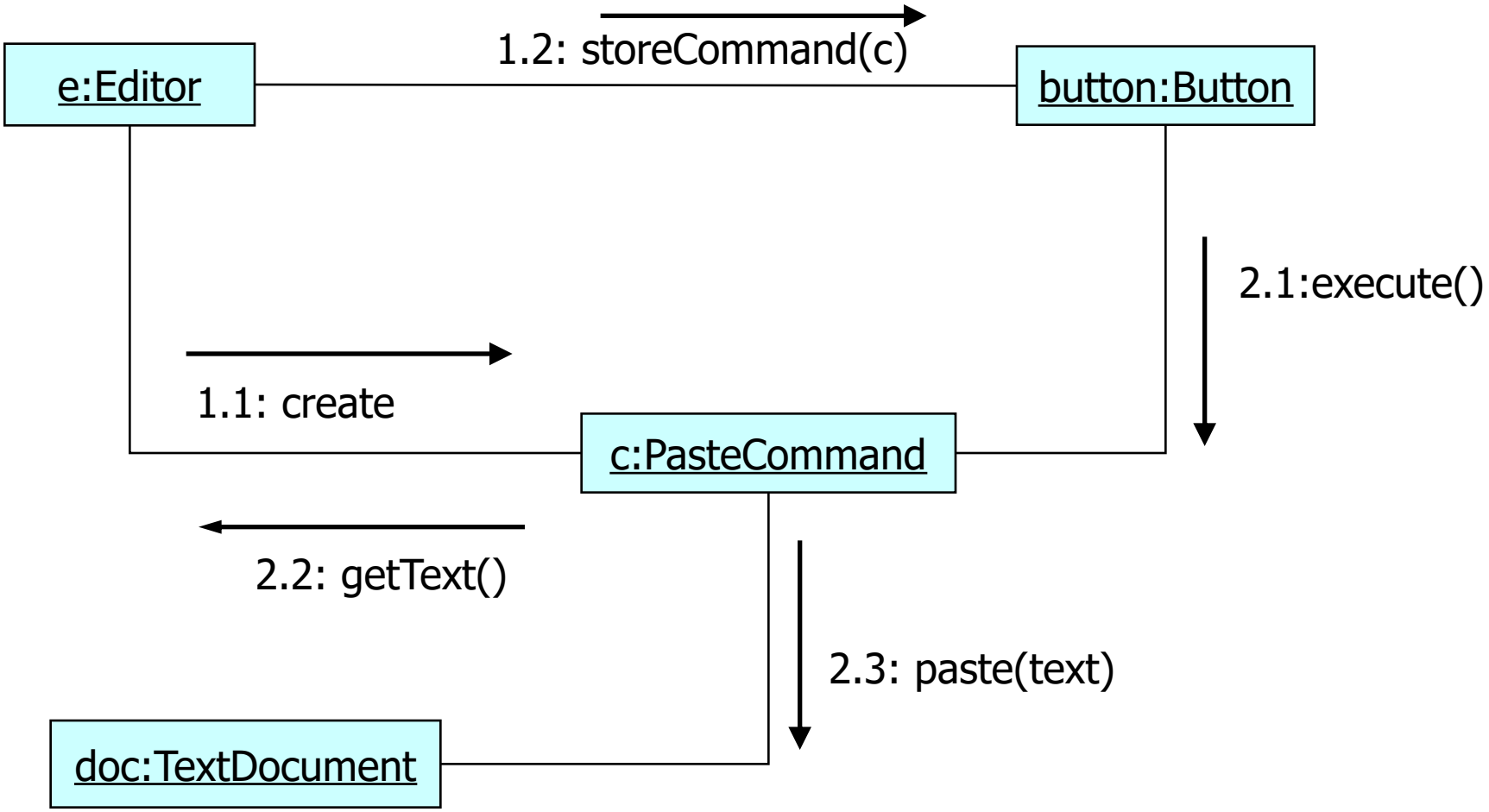


link line
a connection path between objects
informally, instance of an association



messages to this

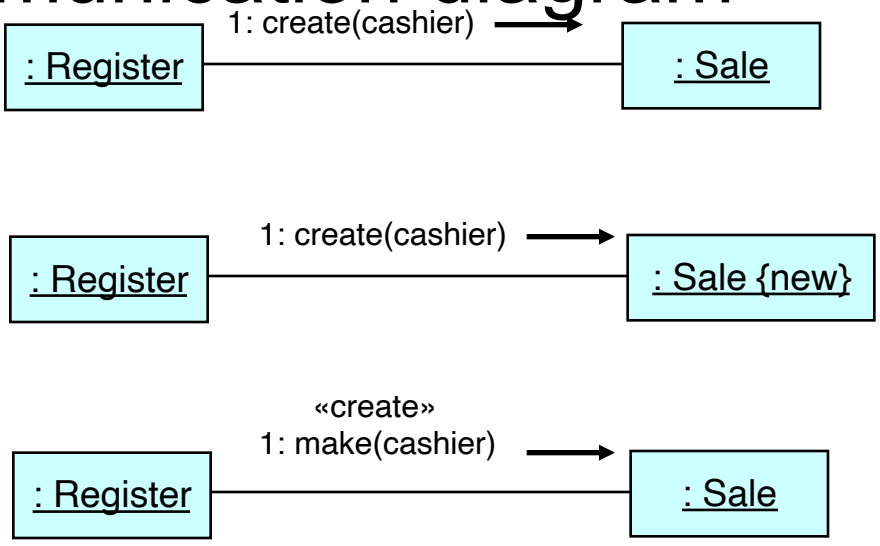
Collaboration/communication diagram



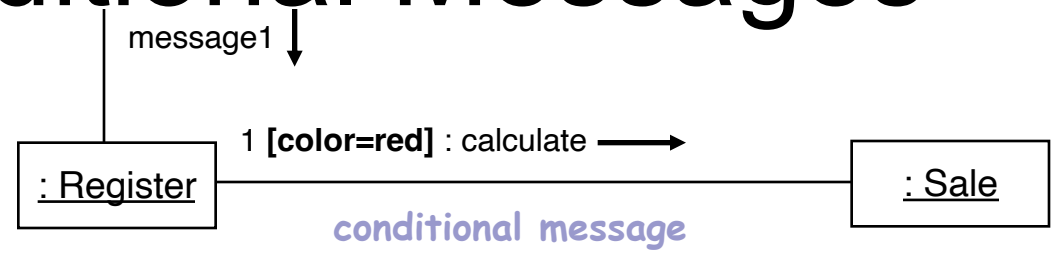
- Sequence numbers shows the time ordering
- Lines show the links between the objects

Instance Creation

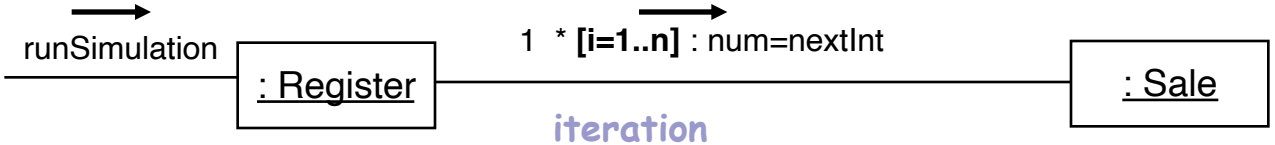
- Three ways to show creation in a communication diagram



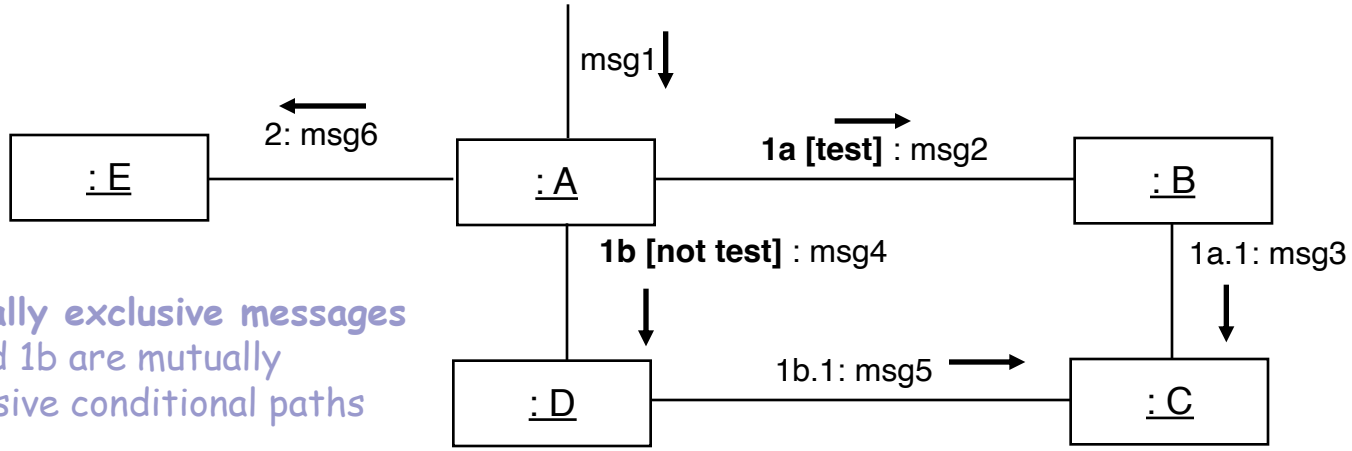
Conditional Messages



conditional message



iteration
indicated with a * and
an optional iteration clause



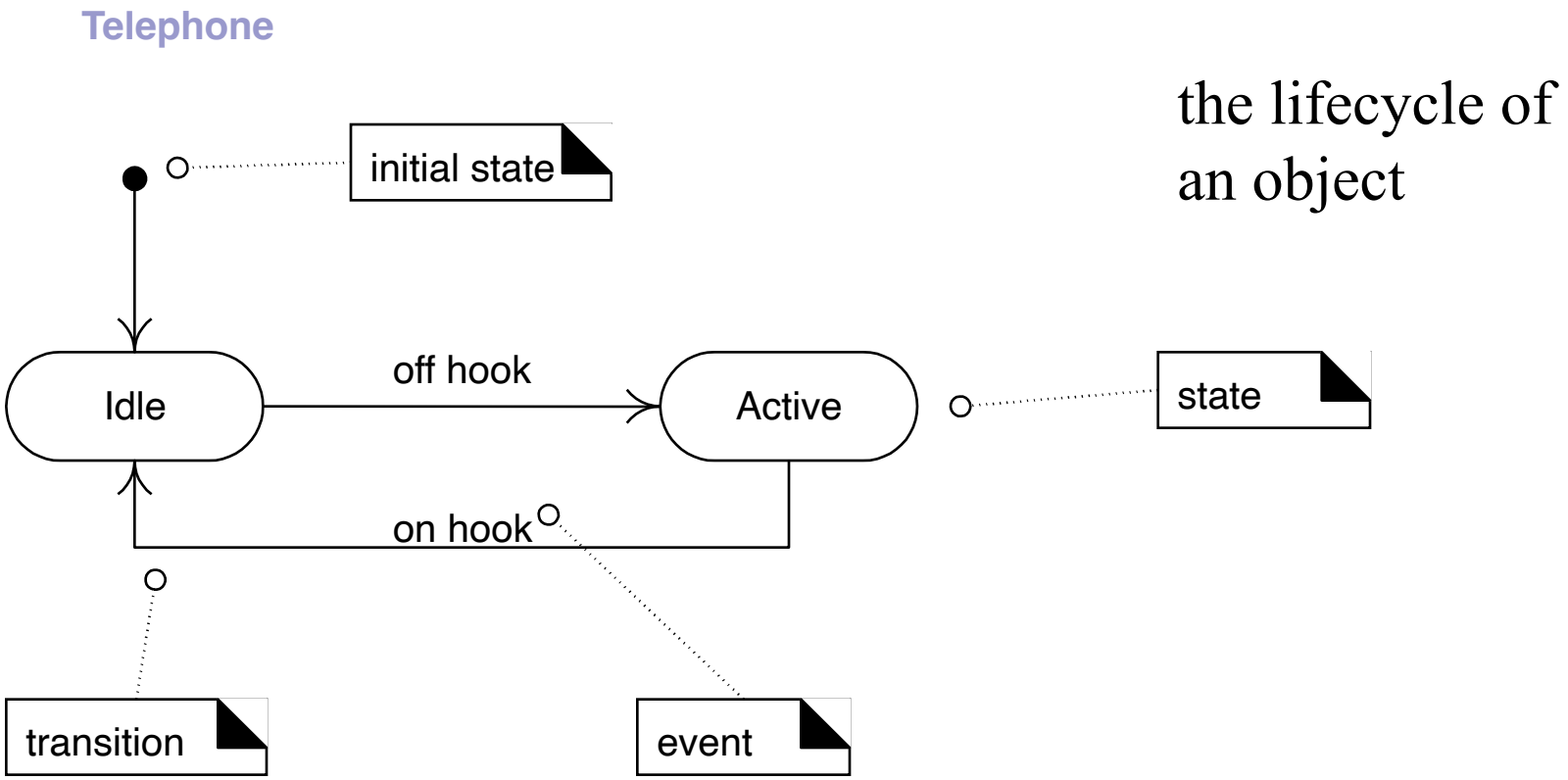
mutually exclusive messages
1a and 1b are mutually
exclusive conditional paths

Strengths - Weaknesses

Type	Strengths	Weaknesses
Sequence	Clearly shows sequence or time-ordering of messages Large set of detailed notation options	Forced to extend to the right when adding new objects; consumes horizontal space
Communication	Space economical-flexibility to add new objects in two dimensions	More difficult to see sequence of messages. Fewer notation options

State Machine Diagrams

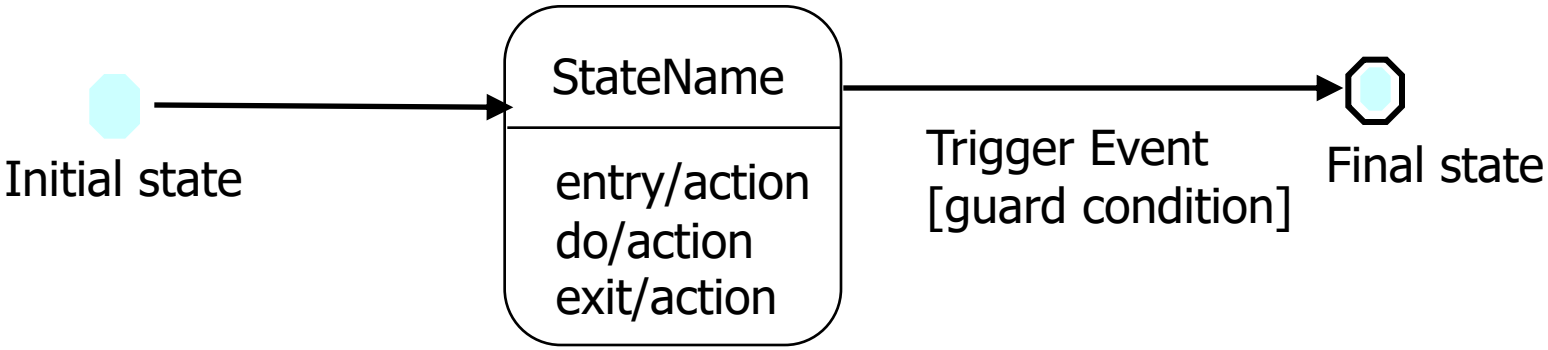
- shows the interesting events and states of **an** object, and
- Behavior of an object in reaction to an event



the lifecycle of an object

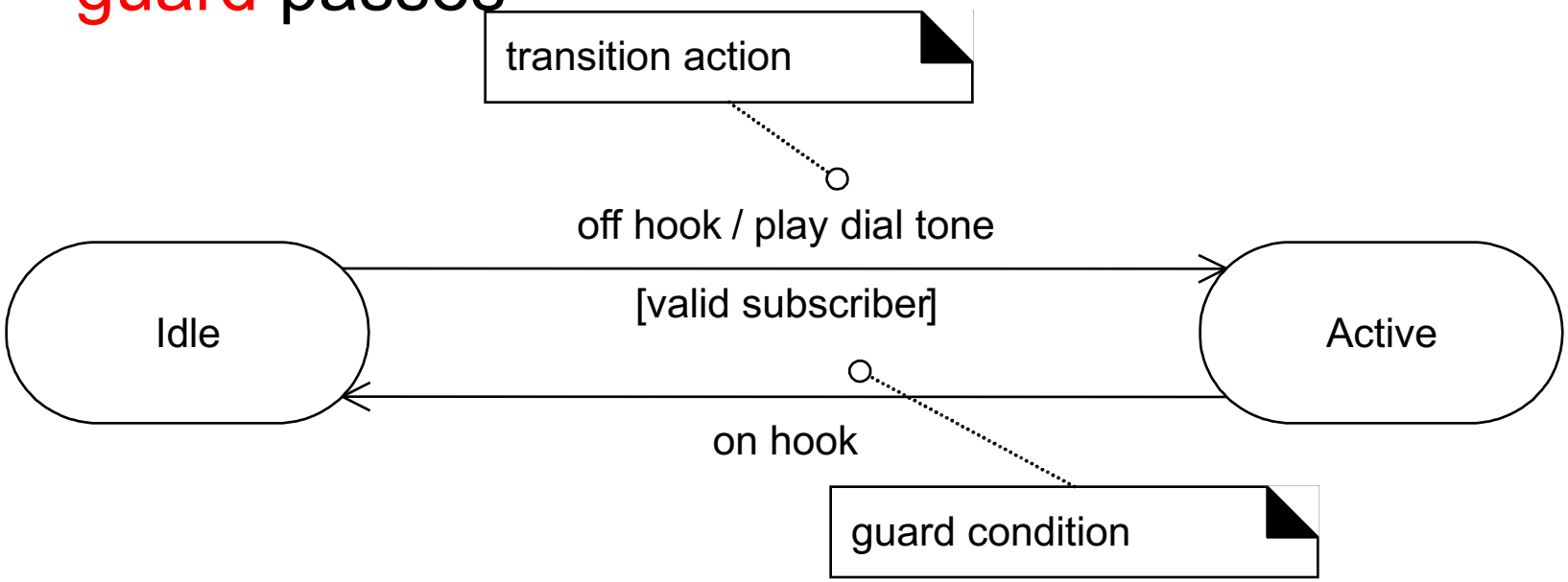
State Diagrams

- To demonstrate the behavior of an object through many use cases of the system
  - Shows states of an object (a state dependent object)
- States
  - Initial state, Final state, History state
  - Actions in a state denoted with **Entry, Exit, Do** actions
- Transitions
  - Triggered by events (e.g. receipt of a message)
  - May have guard conditions (boolean expressions)



Transition Actions and Guards

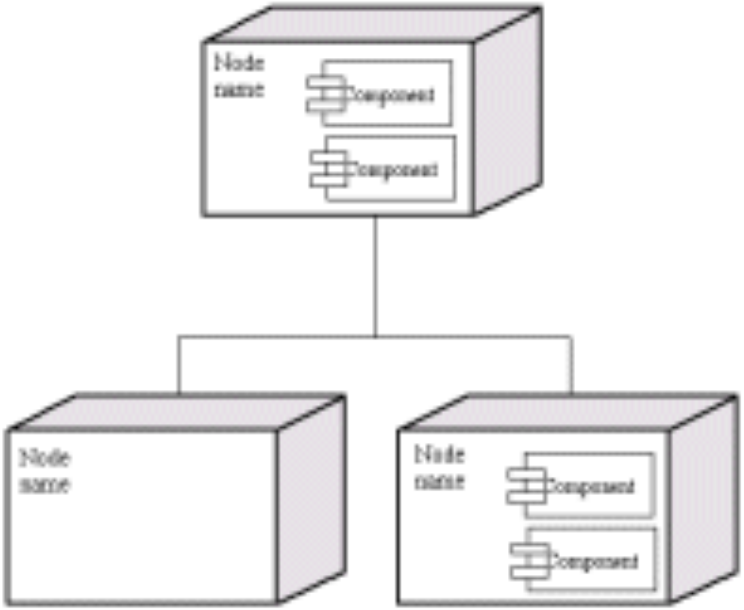
- A transition can cause an action to fire
  - fire action=May represent the invocation of a method
- The transition only occurs if the conditional guard passes



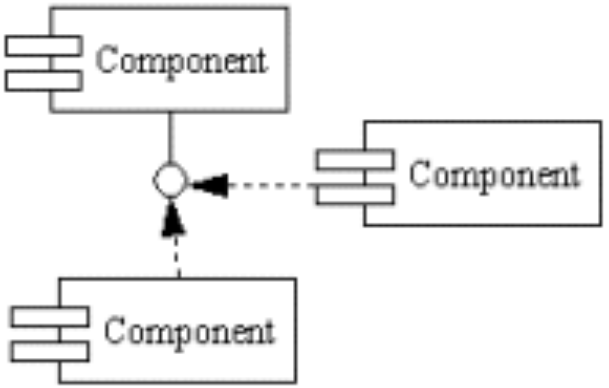
Modeling State Dependent Objects

- State Dependent Object: React differently to events depending on its state or mode
- State machines are applied in two ways:
  - To model the behavior of a complex reactive object in response to events
    - Physical devices controlled by software (e.g. phone)
    - Transactions and related business objects
    - Role mutators (e.g. person changing from employee to retired)
  - To model *legal sequences* of operations – protocol or language specifications
    - Communication protocols (TCP)
    - UI page/window flow or navigation (client side)
    - UI flow controllers or sessions (server side)
    - Use case system operations
    - Individual UI window event handling

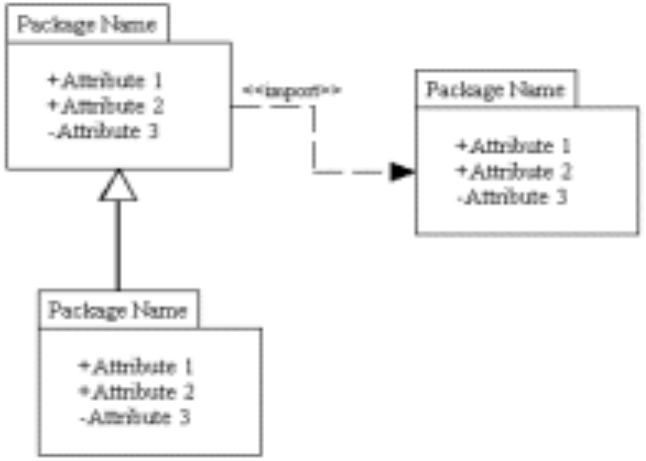
Sample other Diagrams



Deployment diagram



Component diagram



Package diagram