

Modern methods in Software Engineering

UML

Introduction Content

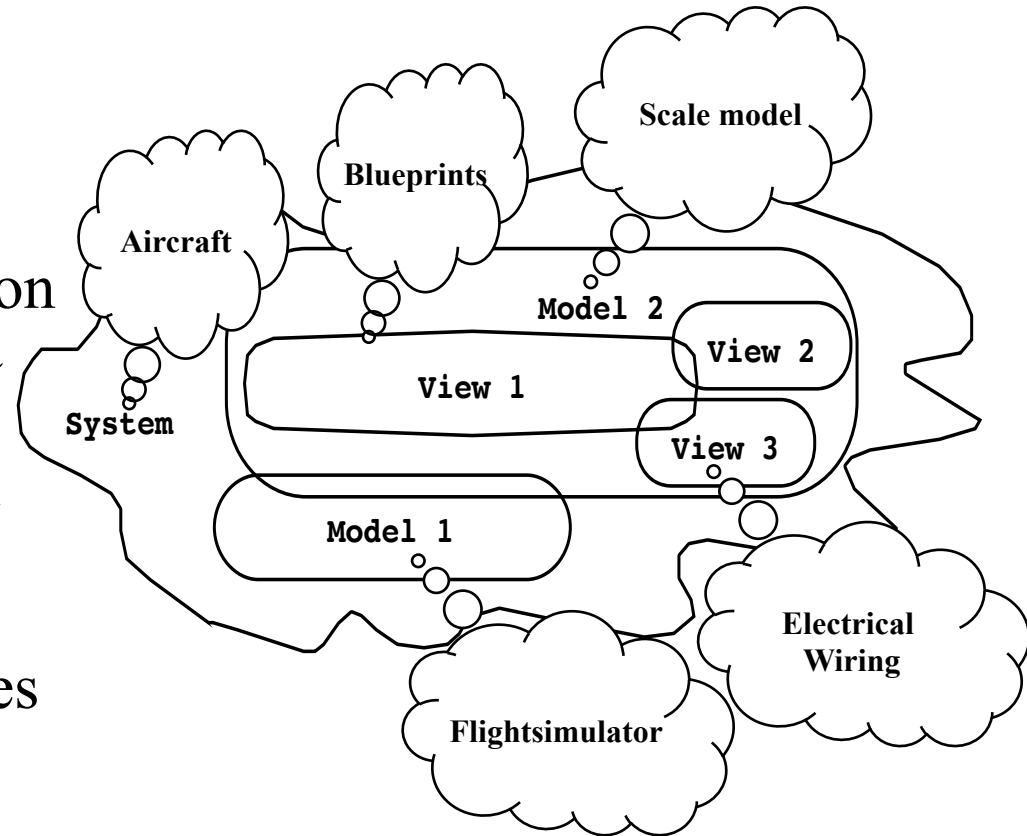
- Software modeling (concepts and phenomena)
- OO modeling
- UML
 - Use case Diagrams
 - Organizational diagrams
 - Class diagrams
 - Sequence diagrams
 - Communication diagrams
 - Statechart diagrams
 - Activity Diagrams
 - Deployment diagrams

Literature used

- Chapter 2 in the text-book

Software modeling

- What is modeling?
- Why model software?
- System, Notation, Models and Views
 - A **model** is an abstraction describing a subset of a system
 - A **view** depicts selected aspects of a model
 - A **notation** is a set of graphical or textual rules for depicting views
 - Views and models of a single system may overlap each other



Concepts and Phenomena

Phenomenon

- An object in the world of a domain as you perceive it
- *Example:* The lecture you are attending

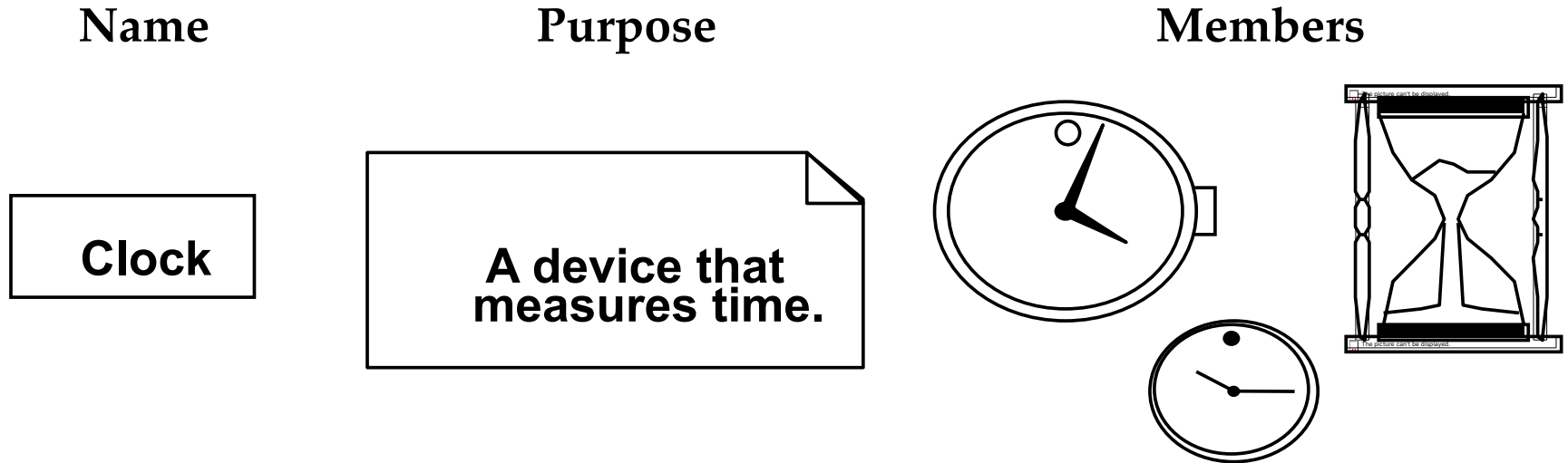
Concept

- Describes the properties of phenomena that are common.
- *Example:* Lectures in software engineering course

Concept is a 3-tuple:

- Name (To distinguish it from other concepts)
- Purpose (Properties that determine if a phenomenon is a member of a concept)
- Members (The set of phenomena which are part of the concept)

Concepts and phenomena



- Abstraction
 - Classification of phenomena into concepts
- Modeling
 - Development of abstractions to answer specific questions about a set of phenomena while ignoring irrelevant details.

Concepts in software

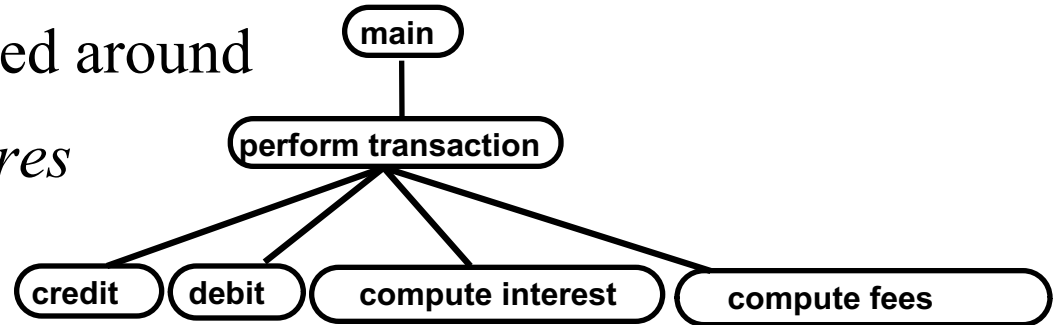
- Type:
 - An abstraction in the context of programming languages
 - Name: int,
 - Purpose: integer number,
 - Members: 0, -1, 1, 2, -2, . . .
- Instance:
 - Member of a specific type
- The type of a variable represents all possible instances the variable can take

The following relationships are similar:

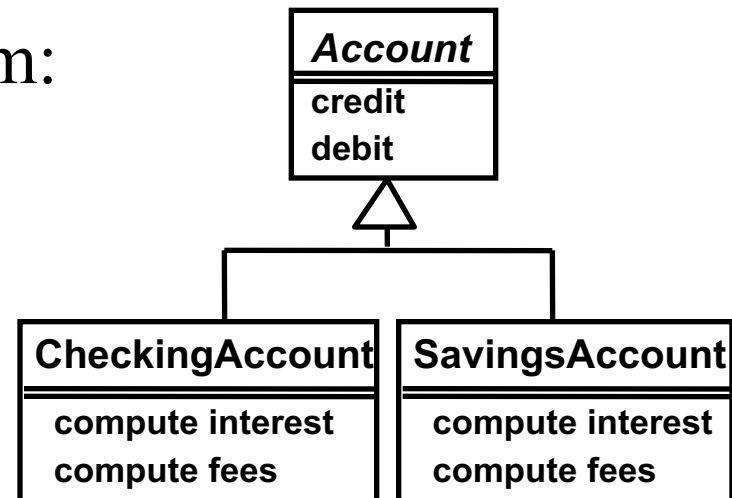
- “type” \leftrightarrow “instance”
- “concept” \leftrightarrow “phenomenon”

Software modeling paradigms

- Procedural paradigm:
 - Software is organized around the notion of *procedures*



- Object oriented paradigm:
 - Organizing procedural abstractions in the context of data abstractions



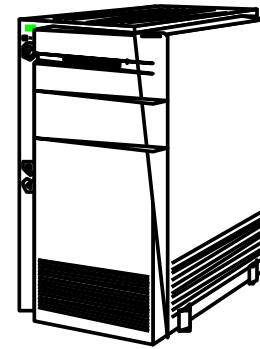
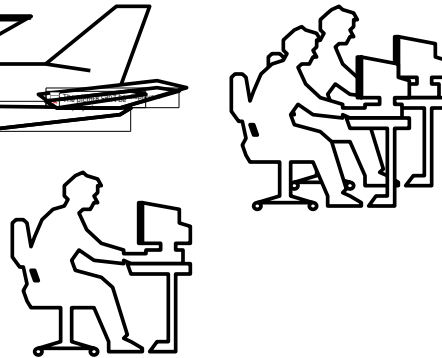
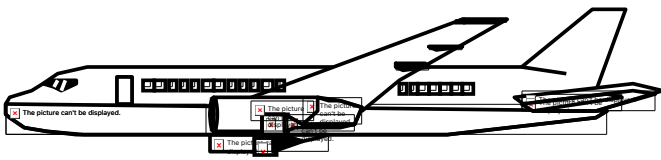
Objects, Classes, Inheritance

- Object
 - combines features of data and procedure
 - Has *properties* - Represent its state
 - Has *behavior* – set of methods how the object can be manipulated
- Class
 - A template from which instances of the class (objects) can be created
 - Carrier of properties common to the objects of the class
- Superclasses
 - Contain features common to a set of subclasses
- Inheritance hierarchies
 - Show the relationships among superclasses and subclasses
- Inheritance
 - The *implicit* possession by all subclasses of features defined in its superclasses

Abstract Data Types and Classes

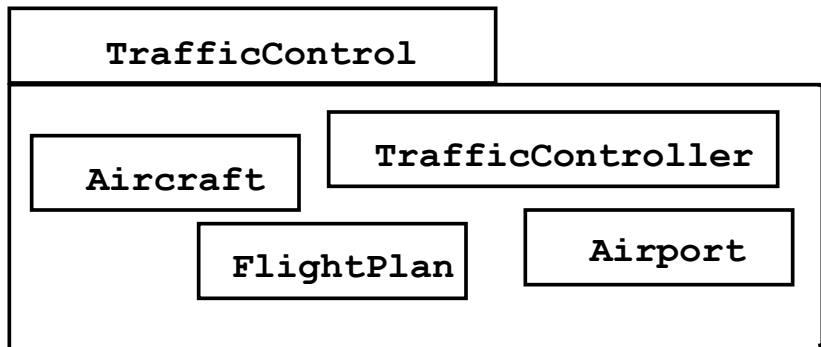
- Abstract data type
 - Special type whose implementation is hidden from the rest of the system.
- Class:
 - An abstraction in the context of object-oriented languages
- Like an abstract data type, a class encapsulates both state (variables) and behavior (methods)
- Unlike abstract data types, classes can be defined in terms of other classes using inheritance
- Unlike of classes, abstract data types may have axioms/constraints on the values of their members
- Abstract data type is rather mathematical notion while class is a programming notion

Object-Oriented Modeling



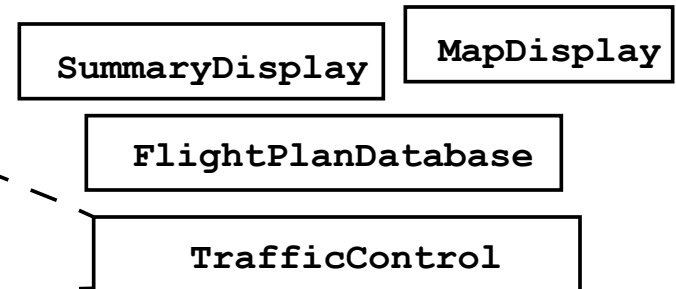
Application Domain

Application Domain Model



Solution Domain

System Model



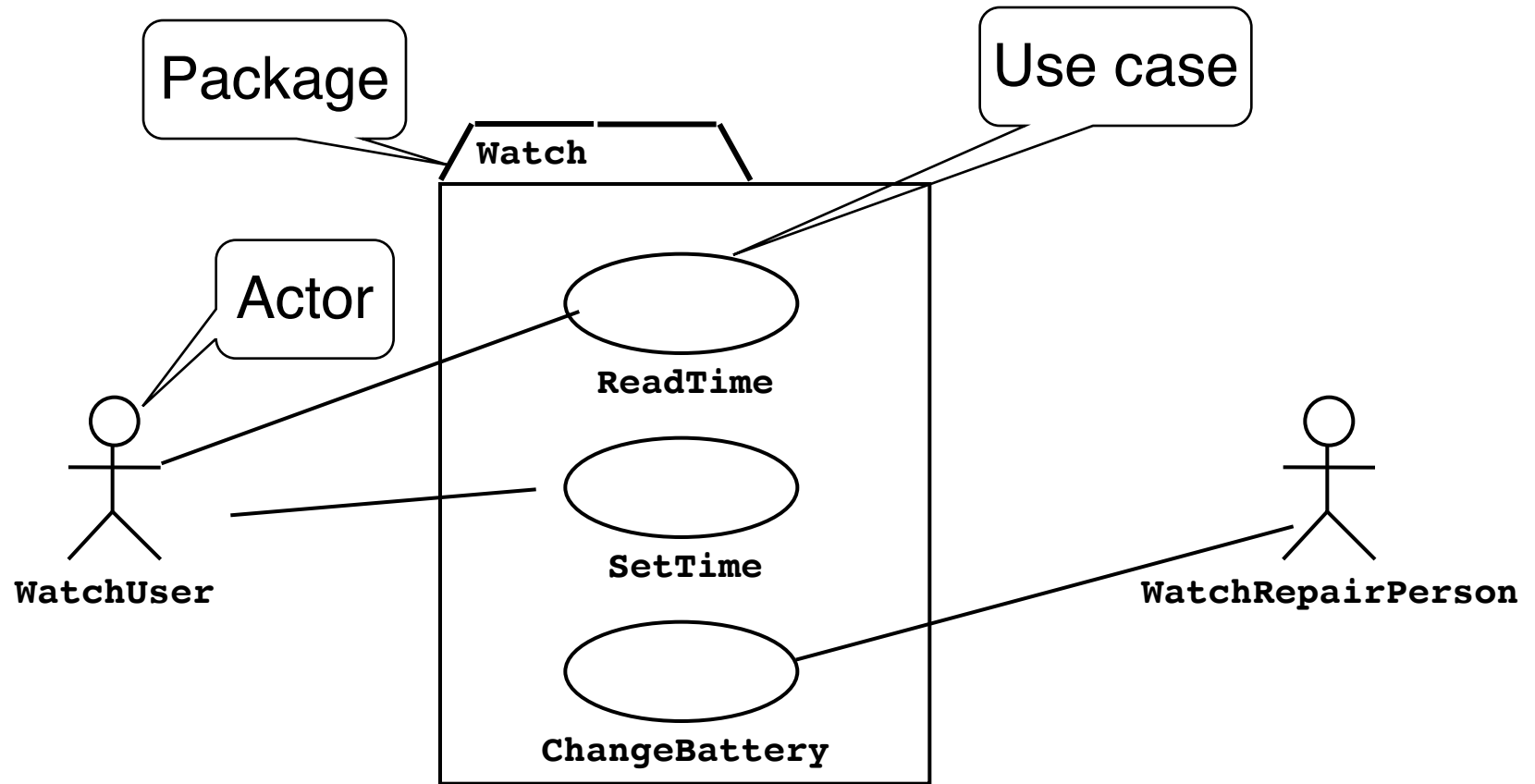
UML

- UML (Unified Modeling Language)
 - An emerging standard for modeling object-oriented software.
 - Resulted from the convergence of notations from three leading object-oriented methods:
 - OMT (James Rumbaugh)
 - OOSE (Ivar Jacobson)
 - Booch (Grady Booch)
- Reference: <http://www.uml.org/>
 - Quick reference: <http://www.holub.com/goodies/uml/>
- Supported by several CASE tools
 - IBM Rational ROSE
 - ...

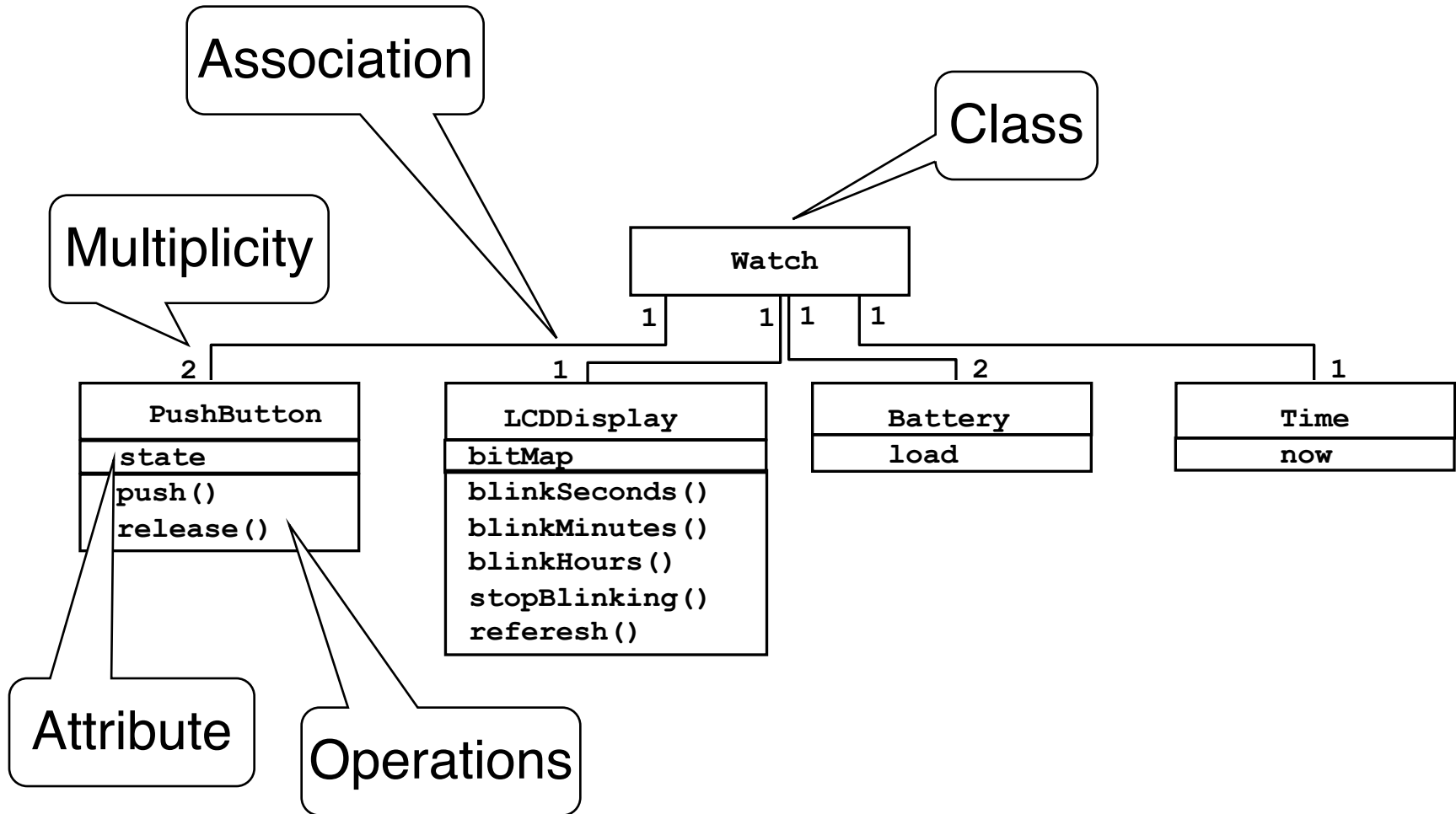
UML: Brief overview

- Use case Diagrams
 - Describe the functional behavior of the system as seen by the user.
- Organizational diagrams
 - Packaging and components
- Class diagrams
 - Describe the static structure of the system: Objects, Attributes, Associations
- Sequence diagrams
 - Describe the dynamic behavior between actors and the system and between objects of the system
- Communication diagrams
 - Alternative presentation of sequence diagrams
- State diagrams
 - Describe the dynamic behavior of an individual object (essentially a finite state automaton)
- Activity Diagrams
 - Model the dynamic behavior of a system, in particular the workflow (essentially a flowchart)
- Component diagrams
 - Show structure of components
- Deployment diagrams
 - Used to model the hardware that will be used to implement the system

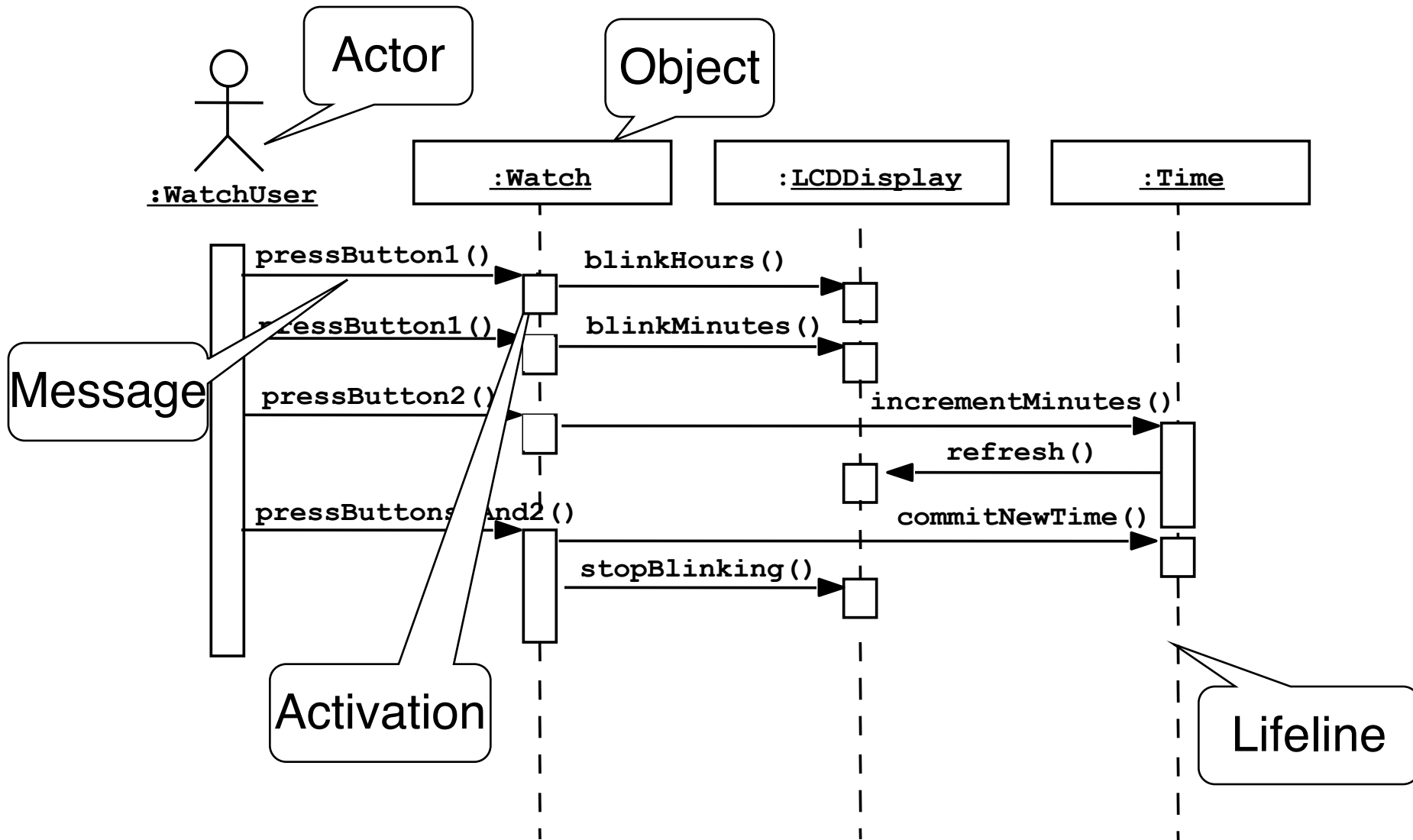
Use Case Diagrams



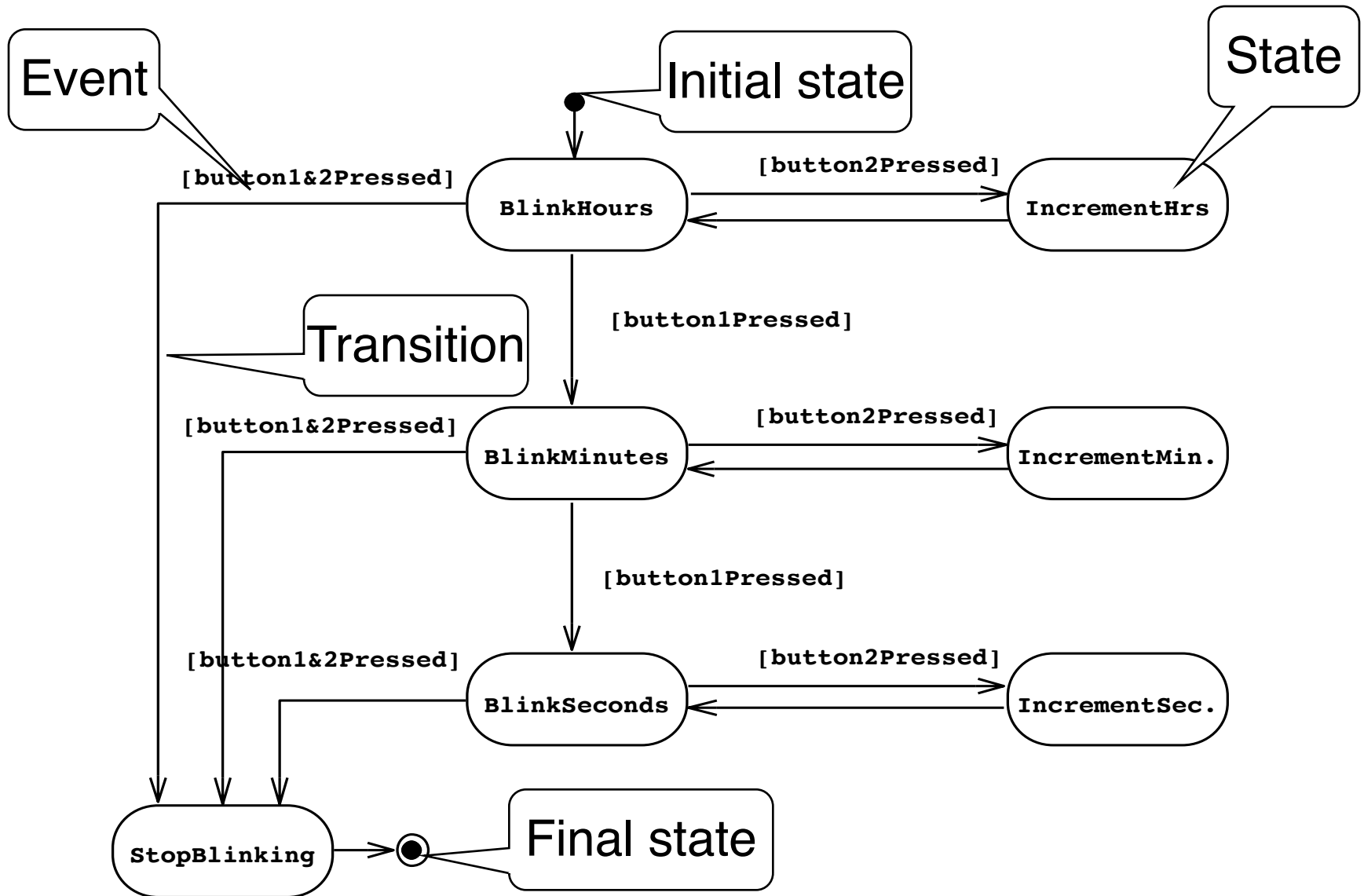
Class diagrams



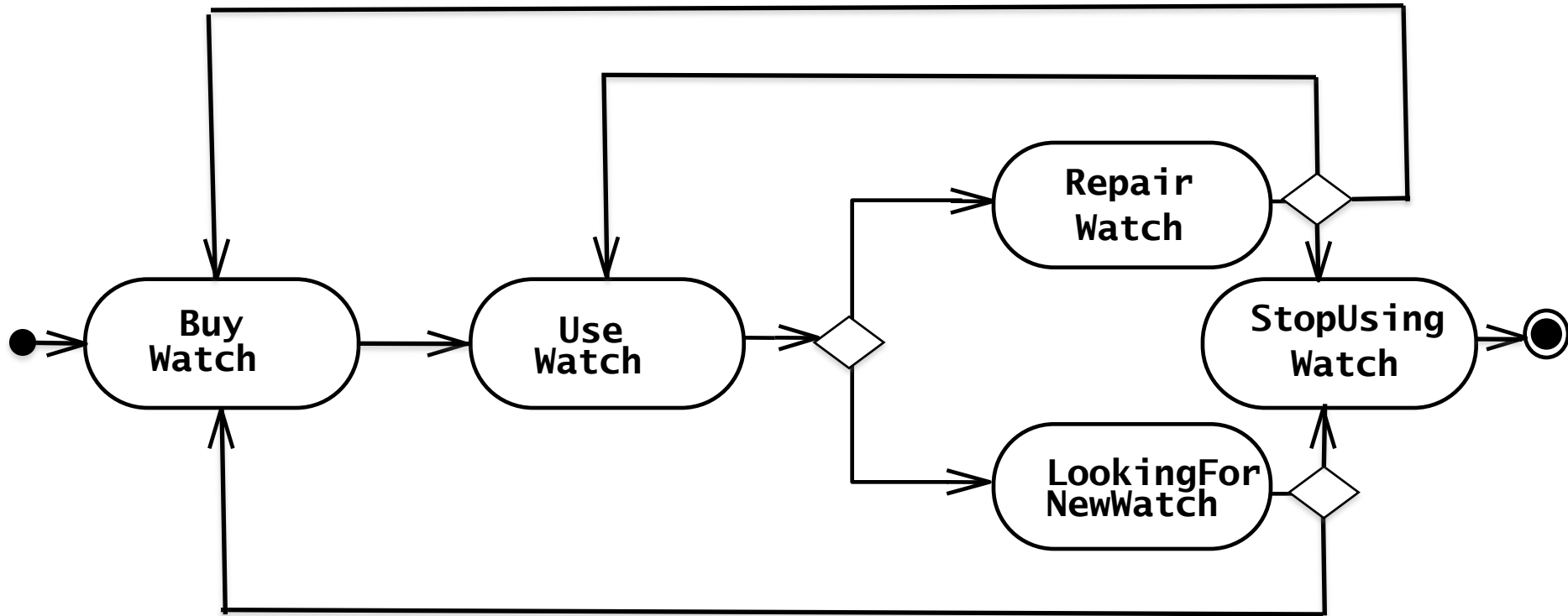
Sequence diagrams



Statechart Diagrams



Activity diagrams

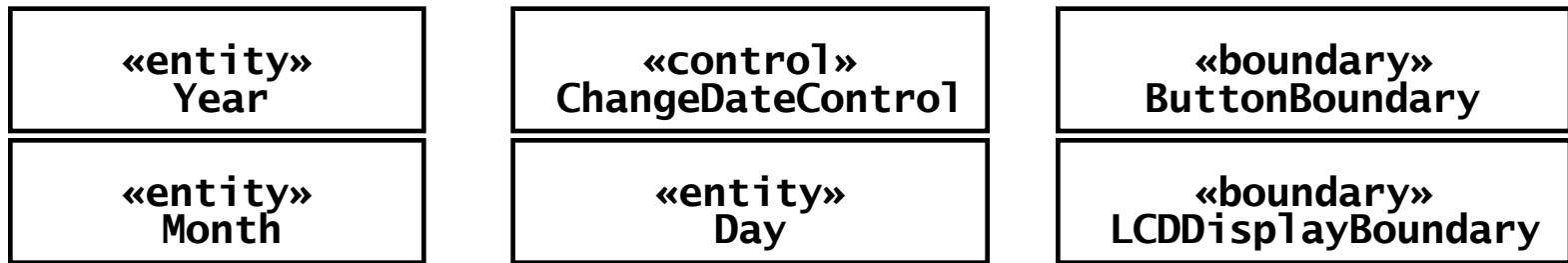


UML conventions

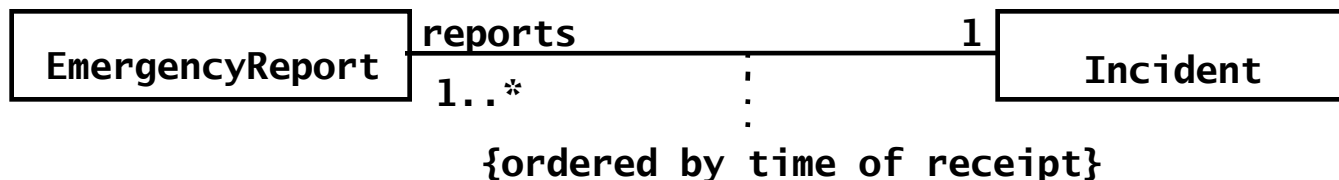
- Rectangles are classes or instances
- Ovals are functions or use cases
- Instances are denoted with an underlined names
 - **myWatch:SimpleWatch**
 - **:Firefighter**
- Types/concepts are denoted with non underlined names
 - **SimpleWatch**
 - **Firefighter**
- Diagrams are graphs
 - Nodes are entities
 - Arcs are relationships between entities

Extensions

- Stereotypes



- Constraint

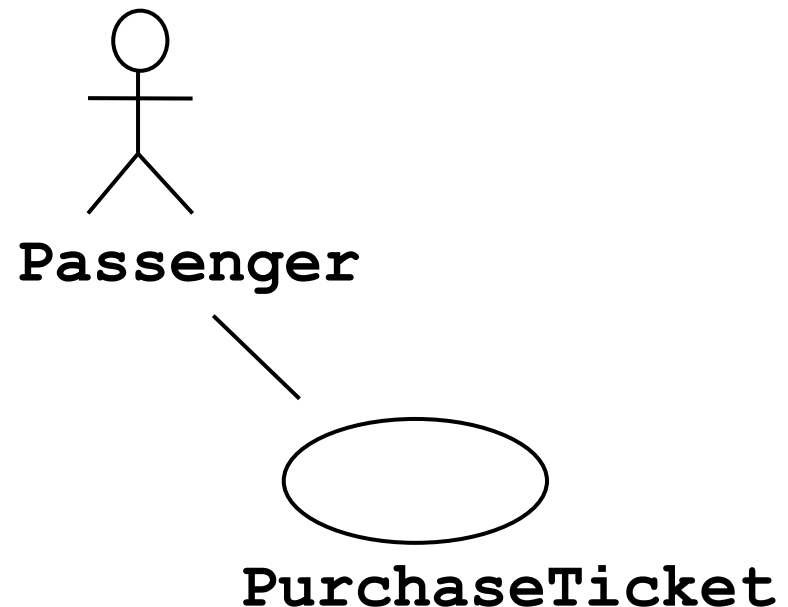


UML Diagrams

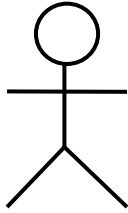
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- Activity Diagrams
- Component and Deployment diagrams

Use Case Diagrams (more details)

- Used during requirements elicitation to represent external behavior
- *Actors* represent roles, that is, a type of user of the system
- *Use cases* represent a sequence of interaction for a type of functionality
- The use case model is the set of all use cases. It is a complete description of the functionality of the system and its environment

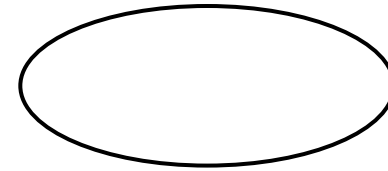


Actors and Use cases



Passenger

- An actor models an external entity which communicates with the system:
 - User
 - External system
 - Physical environment
- An actor has a unique name and an optional description.
- Examples:
 - Passenger: A person in the train
 - GPS satellite: Provides the system with GPS coordinates



PurchaseTicket

A use case represents a class of functionality provided by the system as an event flow.

A use case consists of:

- Unique name
- Participating actors
- Entry conditions
- Flow of events
- Exit conditions
- Special requirements

Use Case description

Name:

Purchase ticket

Participating actor(s):

Passenger

Entry condition:

- **Passenger** standing in front of ticket distributor.
- **Passenger** has sufficient money to purchase ticket.

Exit condition:

- **Passenger** has ticket.

Quality conditions:

- Time constraints

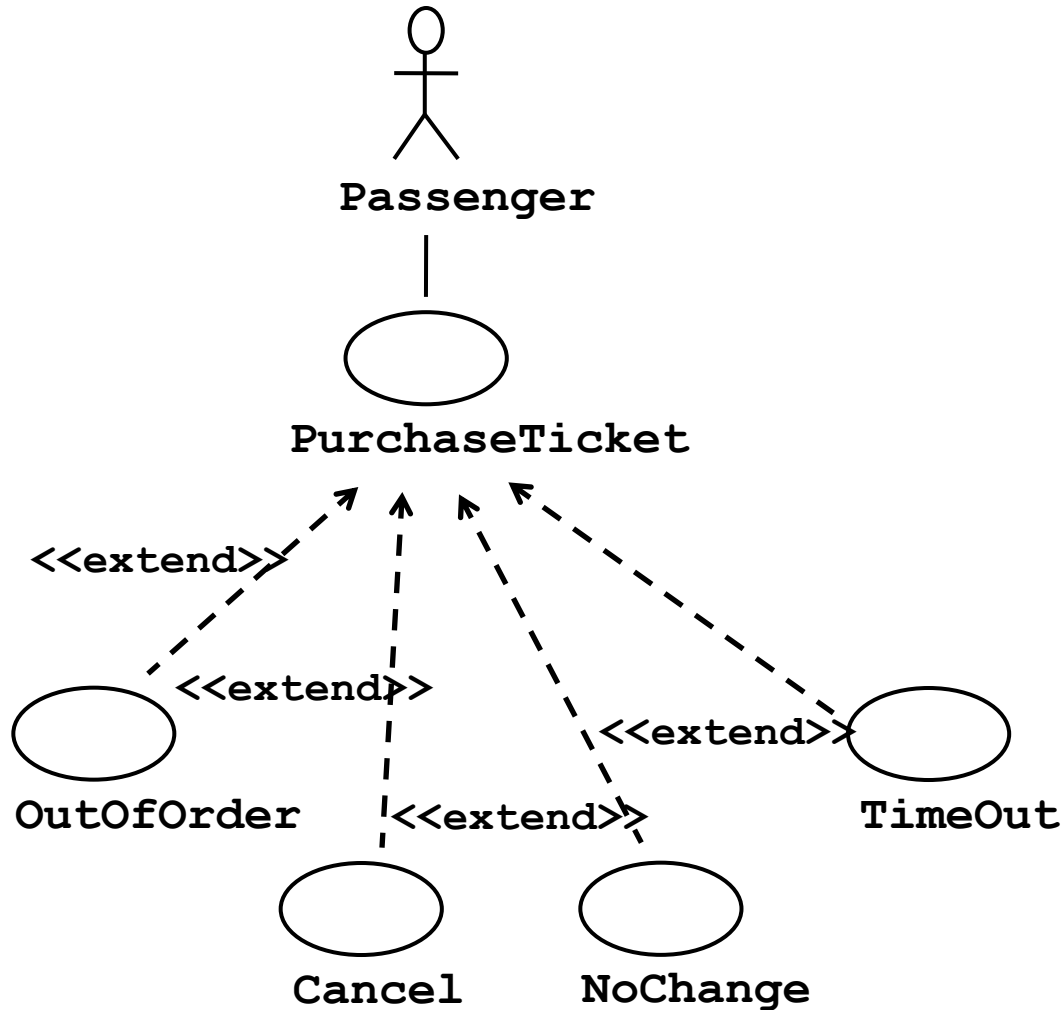
Event flow:

1. **Passenger** selects the number of zones to be traveled.
2. Distributor displays the amount due.
3. **Passenger** inserts money, of at least the amount due.
4. Distributor returns change.
5. Distributor issues ticket.

Anything missing?

Exceptional cases!

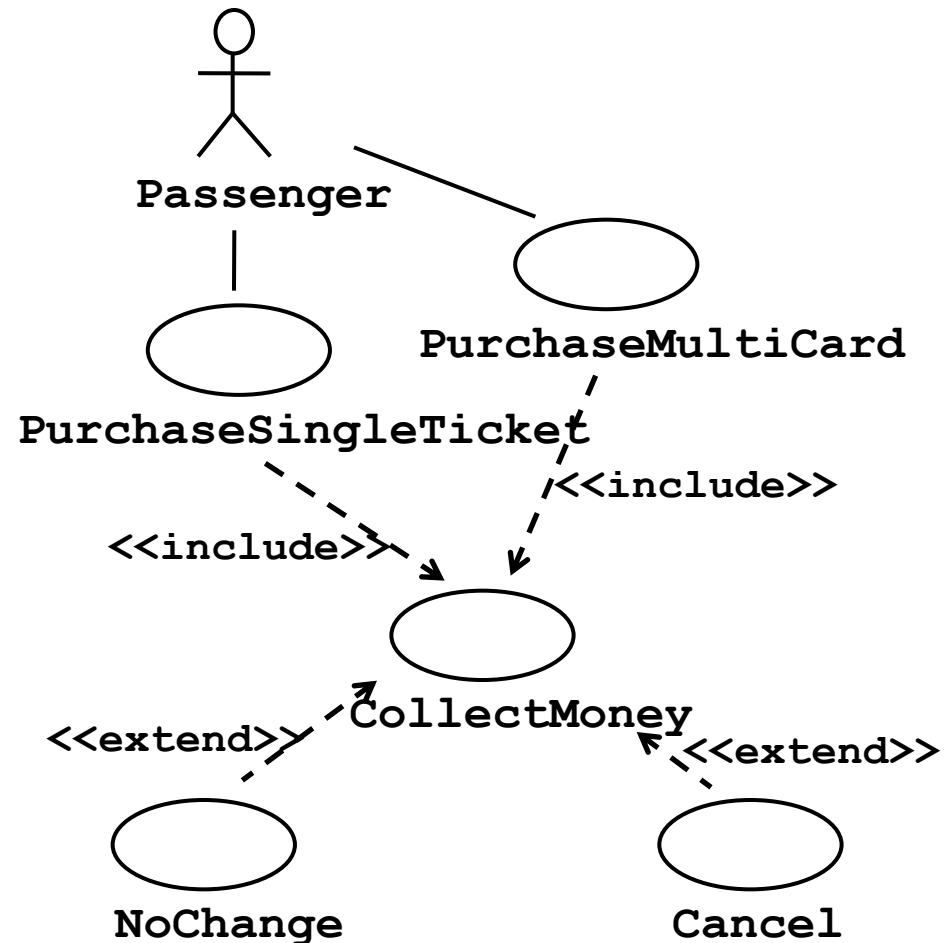
The <<extend>> Relationship



- <<extend>> relationships typically represent exceptional or seldom invoked cases.
- Use cases representing exceptional flows can extend more than one use case.
- The direction of a <<extend>> relationship is to the extended use case

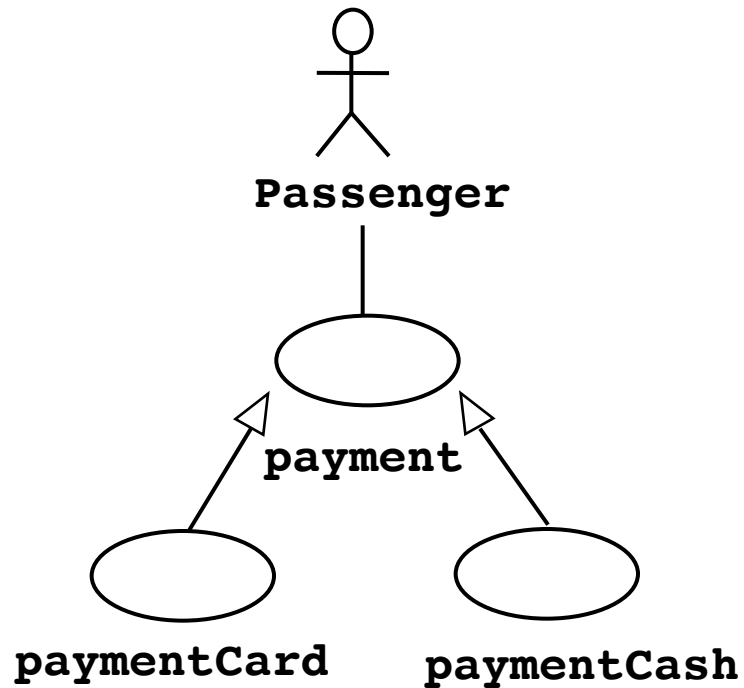
The <<include>> relationship

- <<include>> relationship represents behavior that is factored out of the use case.
- <<include>> behavior is factored out for **reuse**, not because it is an exception.
- The direction of a <<include>> relationship is to the using use case (unlike <<extend>> relationships).

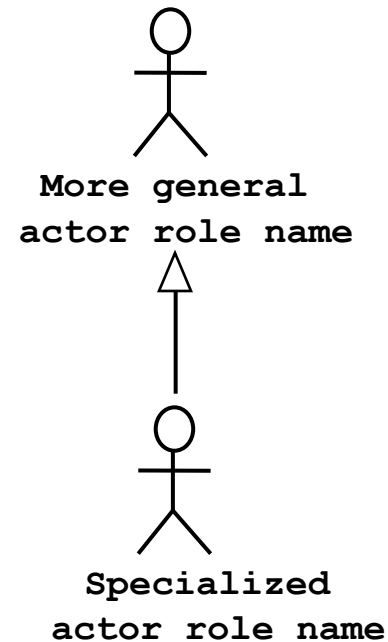


Generalization (Inheritance relationships)

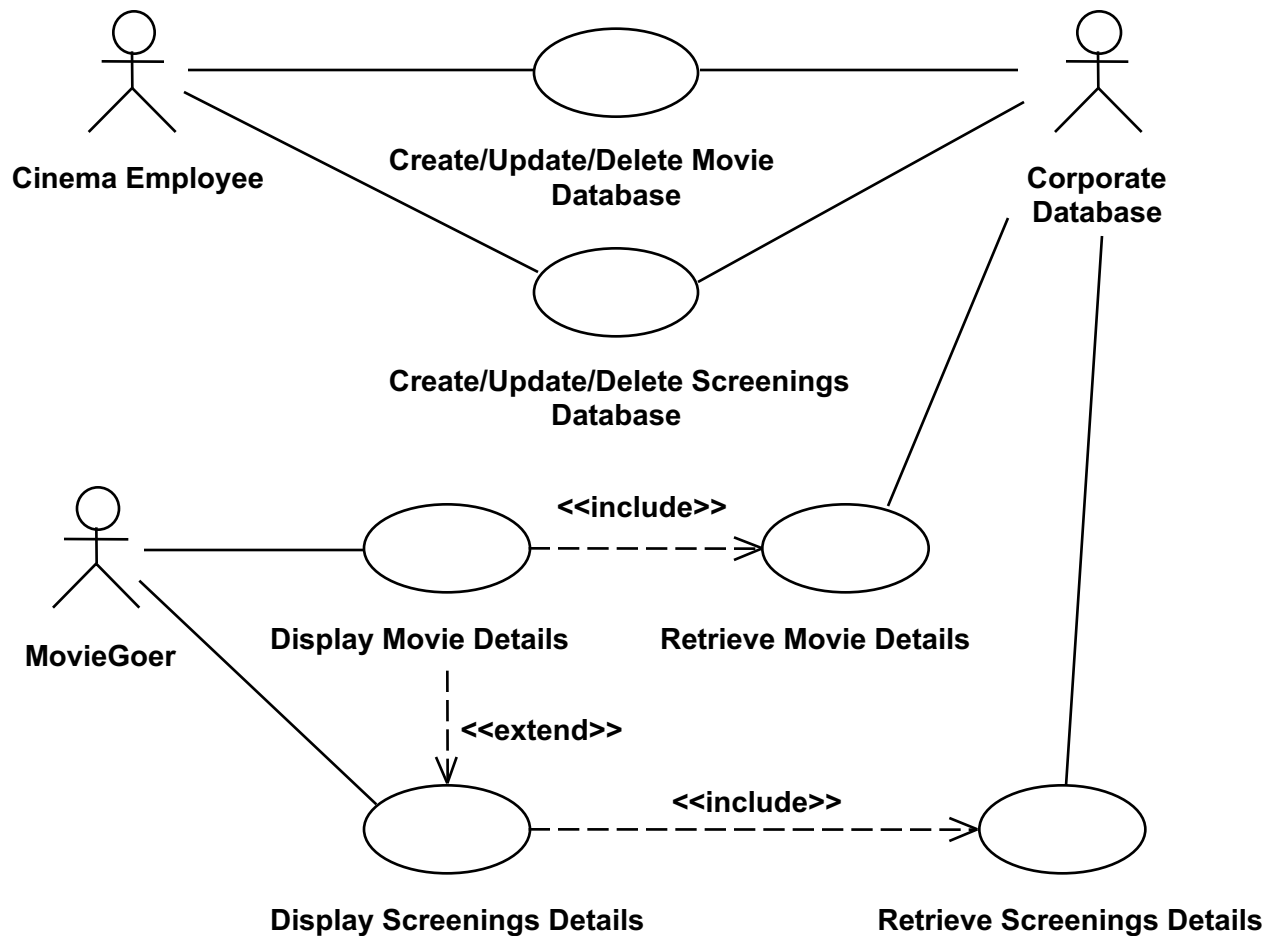
- Generalization between Use Cases



- Generalization between Actors



Another Use Case Diagram



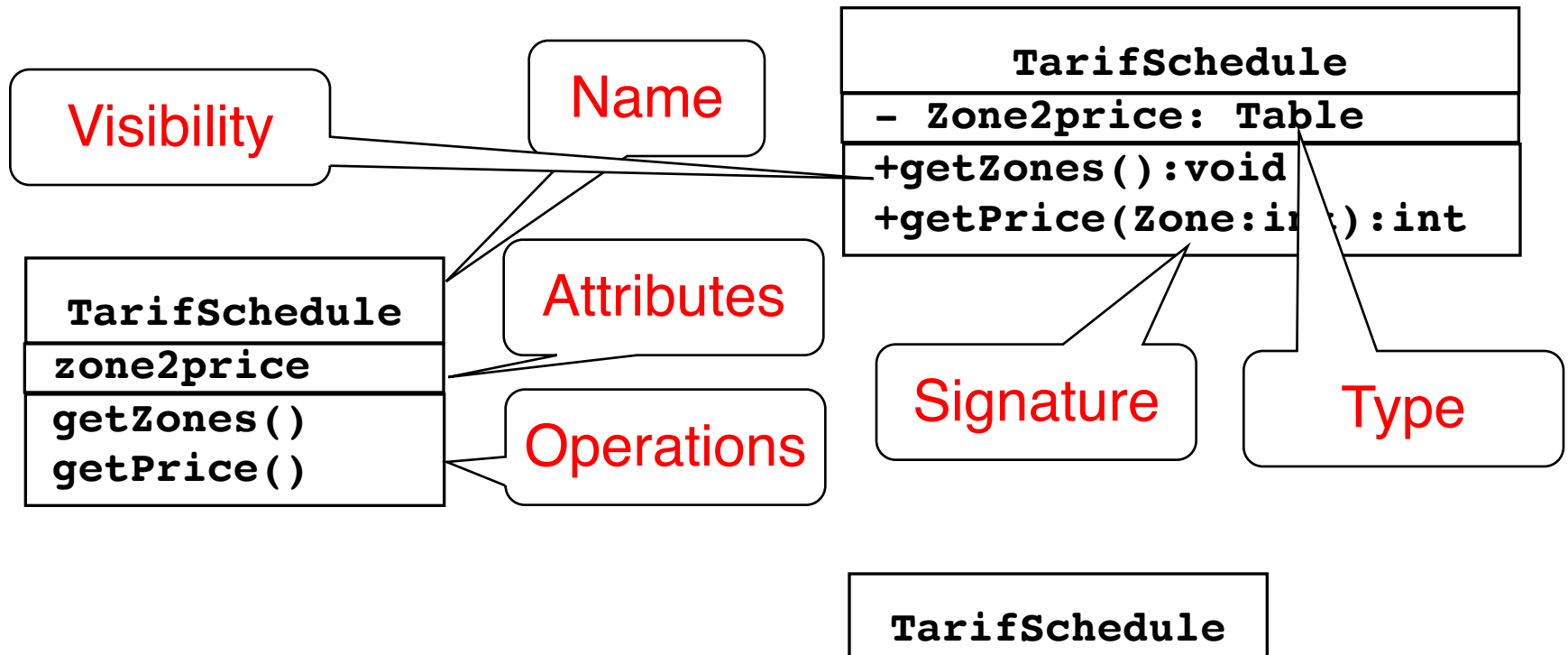
Use Case Diagrams (summary)

- Use case diagrams represent behavior from external view
- Use case diagrams are useful as an index into the use cases
- Use case descriptions provide meat of model, not the use case diagrams.
- All use cases need to be described for the model to be useful.

Class Diagrams

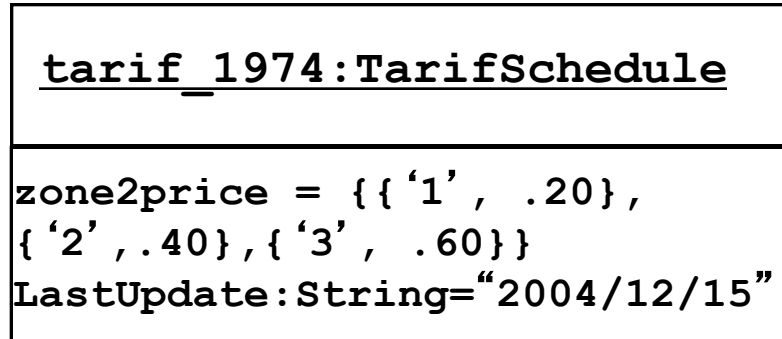
- Class diagrams represent the structure of the system.
- Used
 - during requirements analysis to model problem domain concepts
 - during system design to model subsystems and interfaces
 - during object design to model classes.

Class Diagrams (Classes)



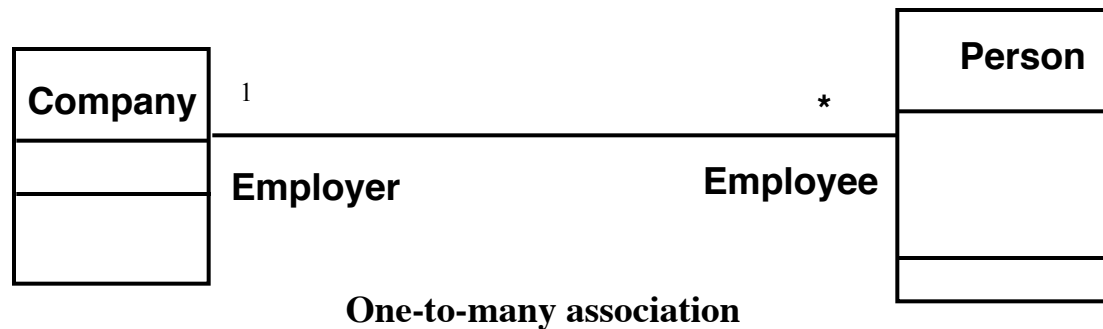
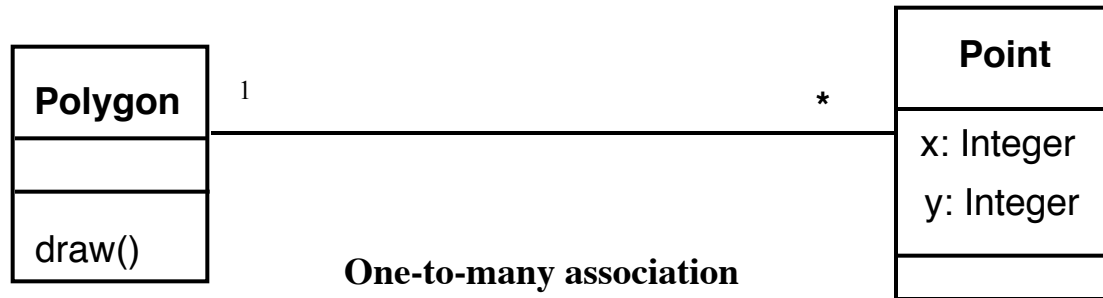
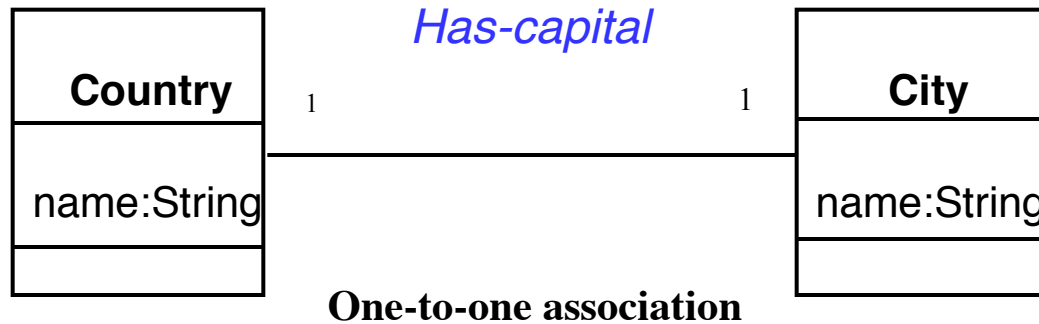
- A *class* represents a concept and it has a name
- A class encapsulates state (*attributes*) and behavior (*operations*).
- Each attribute has a *type*.
- Each operation has a *signature*.
- The class name is the only mandatory information.

Class Diagrams (Instances)



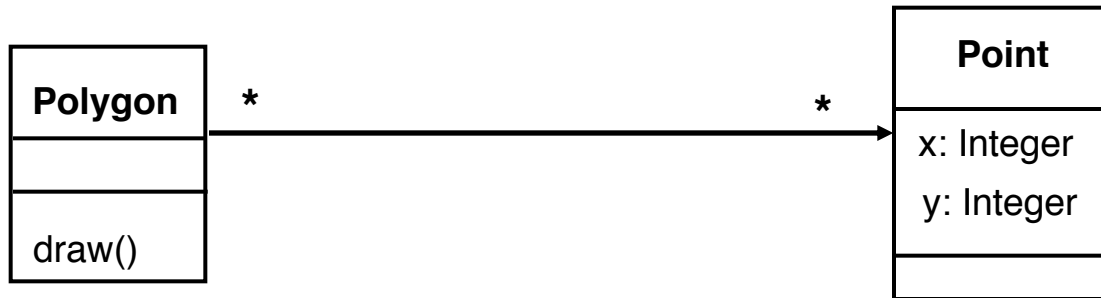
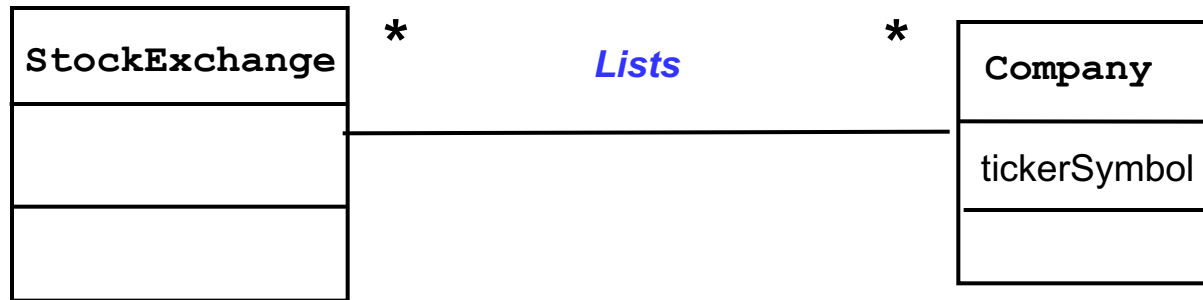
- An *instance* represents a phenomenon.
- The name of an instance is underlined and can contain the class of the instance.
- The attributes are represented with their *values*.

Class Diagrams (Associations)



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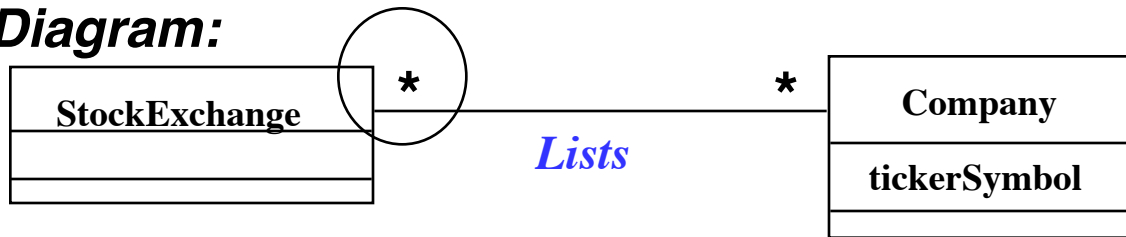
Many-to-Many Associations



From Problem Statement To Object Model

- *Problem Statement: A stock exchange lists many companies. Each company is uniquely identified by a ticker symbol*

Class Diagram:



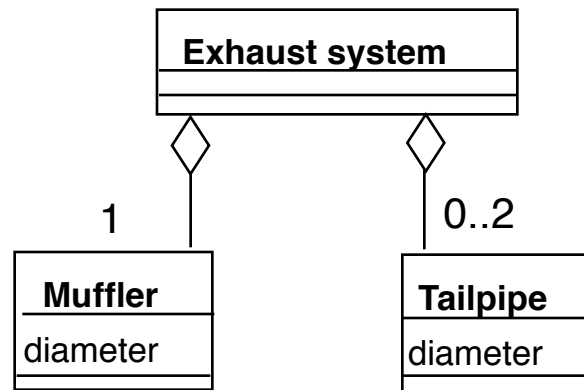
Java Code (incomplete)

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public class StockExchange
{
    private Vector m_Company = new Vector();
};

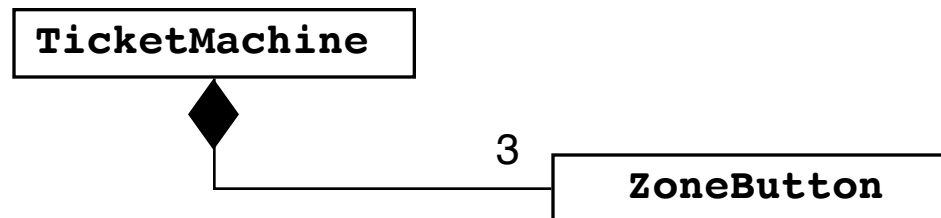
public class Company
{
    public int m_tickerSymbol;
    private Vector m_StockExchange = new Vector();
};
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Class Diagrams (Aggregation)

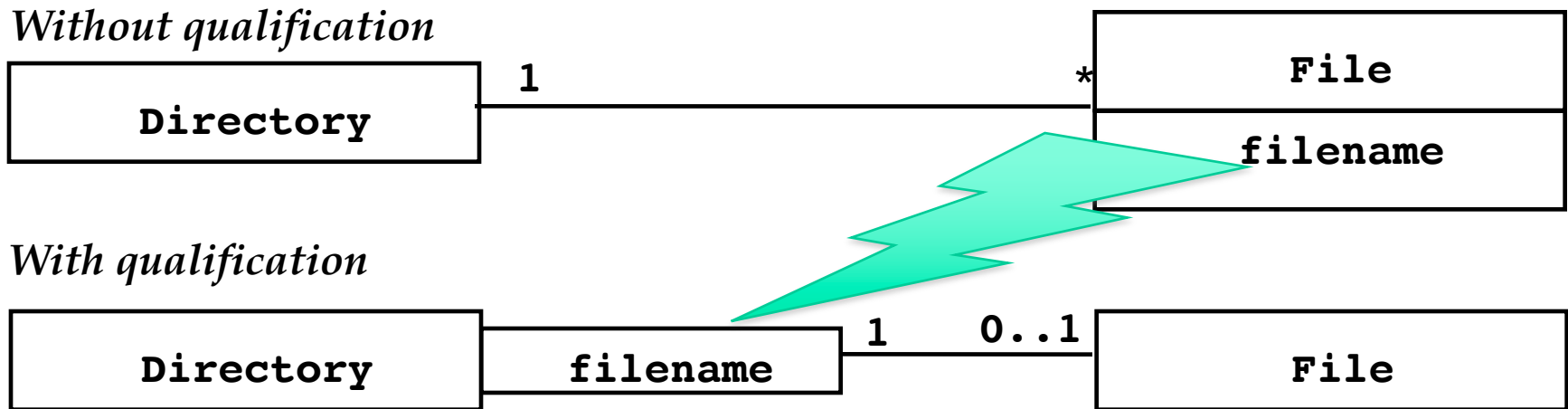
- An **aggregation** is a special case of association denoting a “consists of” hierarchy.
- The **aggregate** is the parent class, the **components** are the children class.



- A solid diamond denotes **composition**, a strong form of aggregation where components cannot exist without the aggregate.

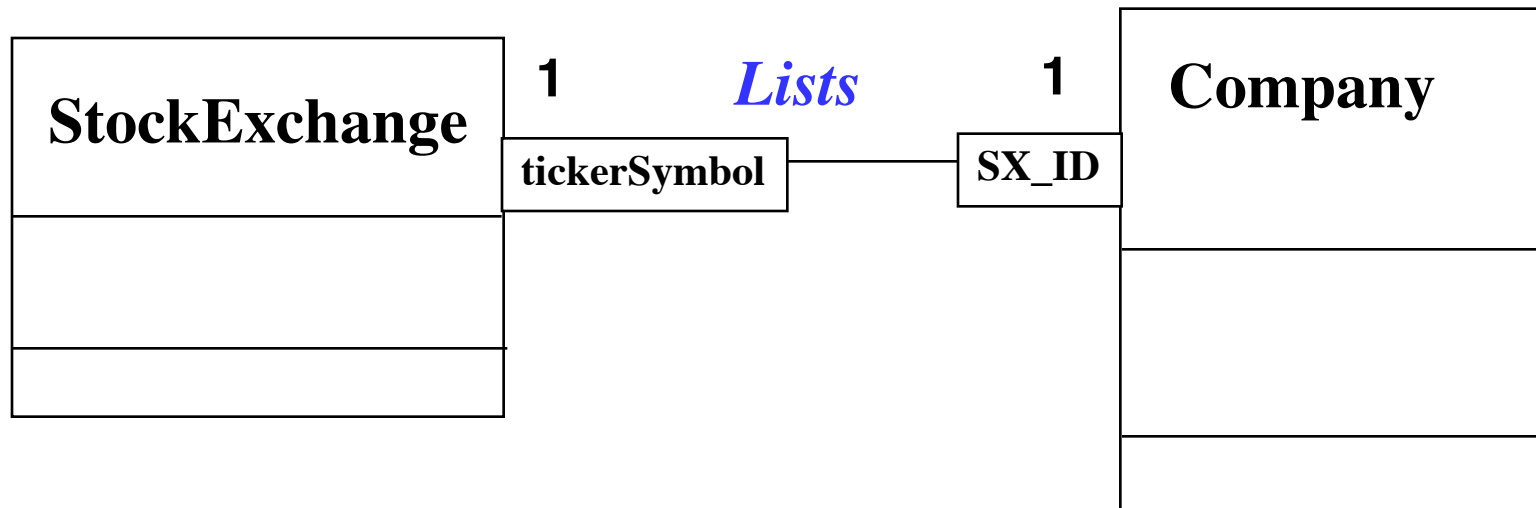


Class Diagrams (Qualifiers)

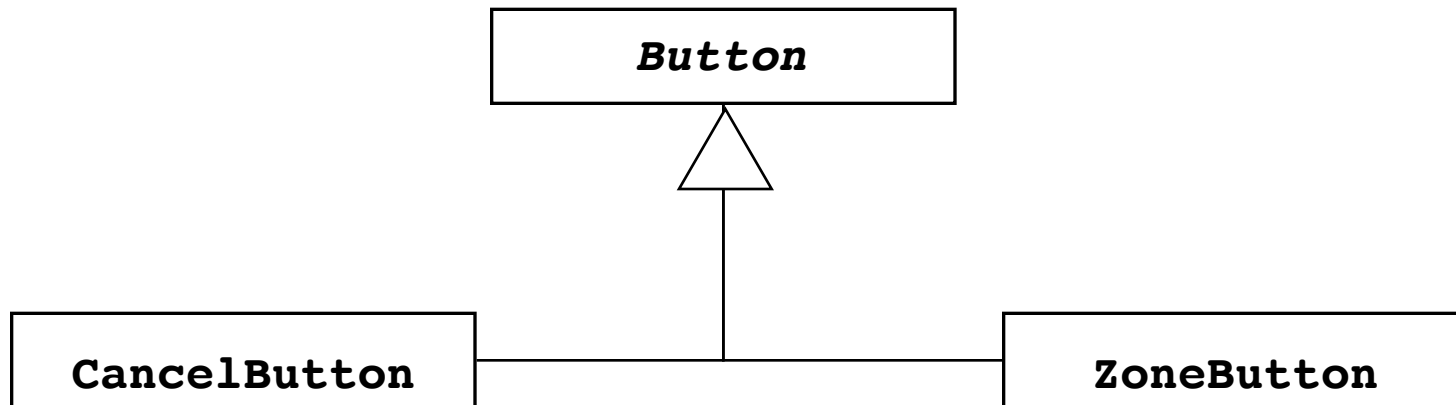


- Qualifiers can be used to reduce the multiplicity of an association.

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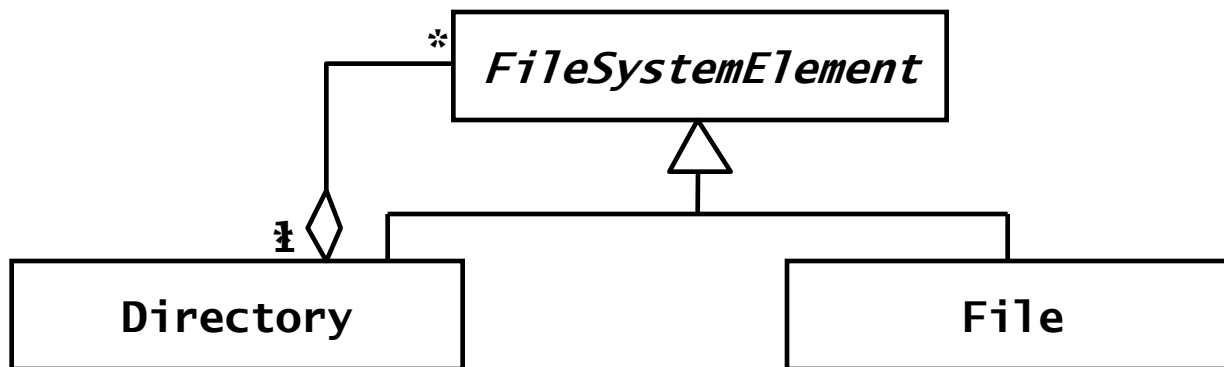


Class Diagrams (Inheritance)

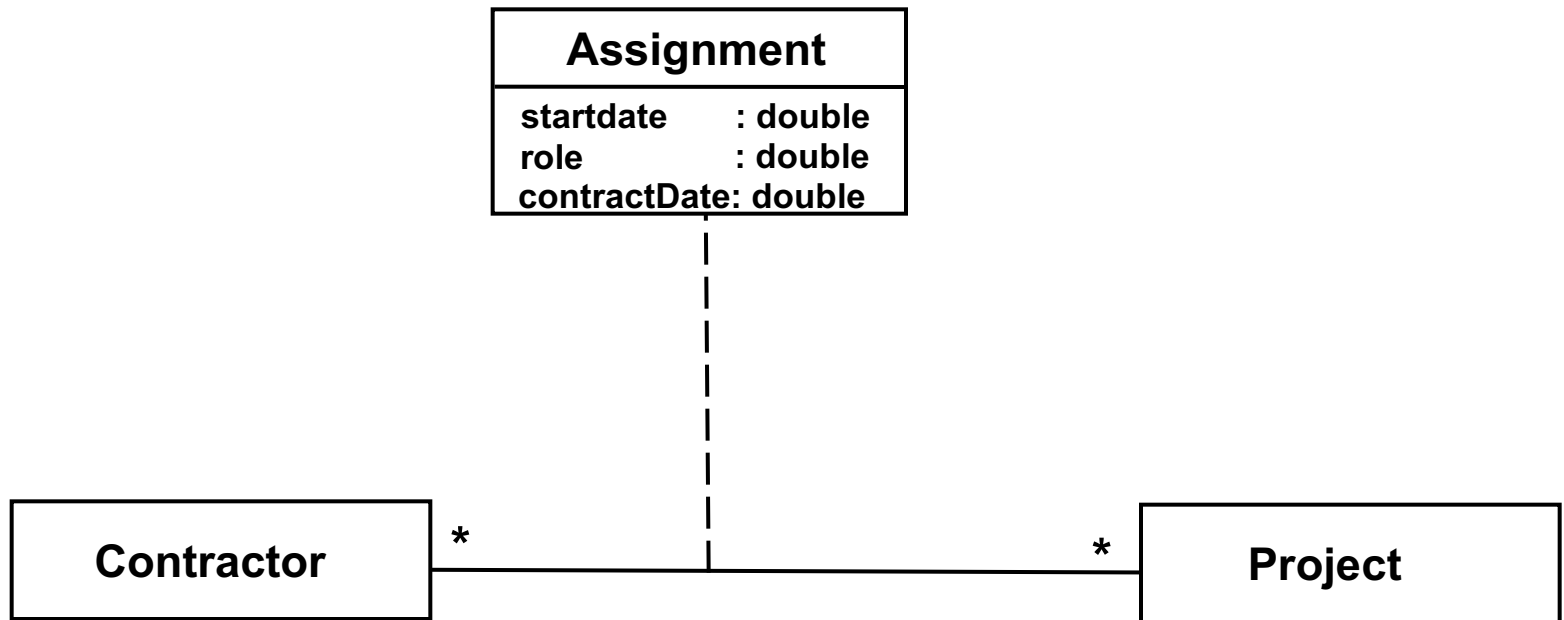


- The **children classes** inherit the attributes and operations of the **parent class**.
- Inheritance simplifies the model by eliminating redundancy.

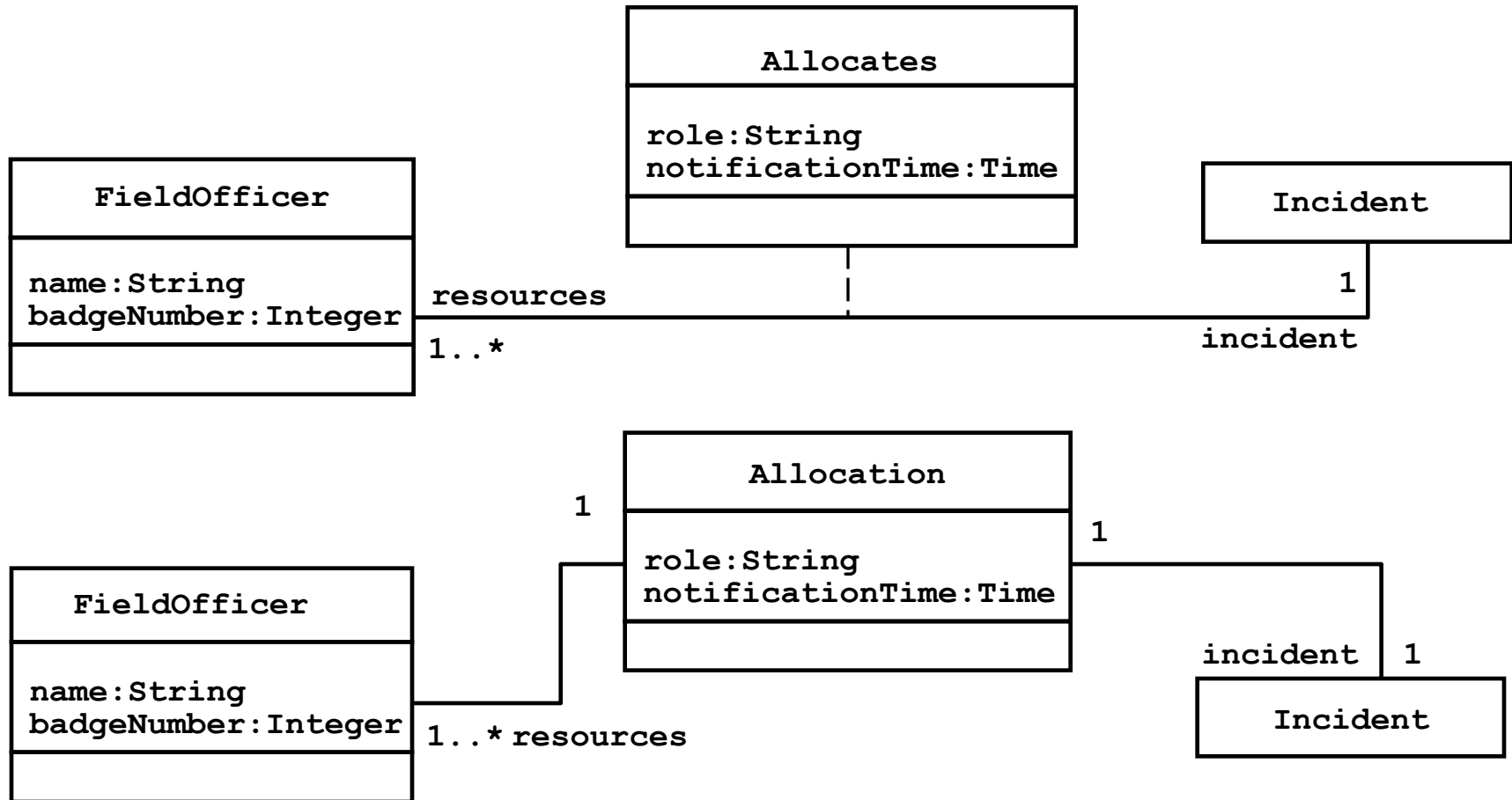
More examples



Class Diagrams (Association class)



Class Diagrams (End Notations and Association)

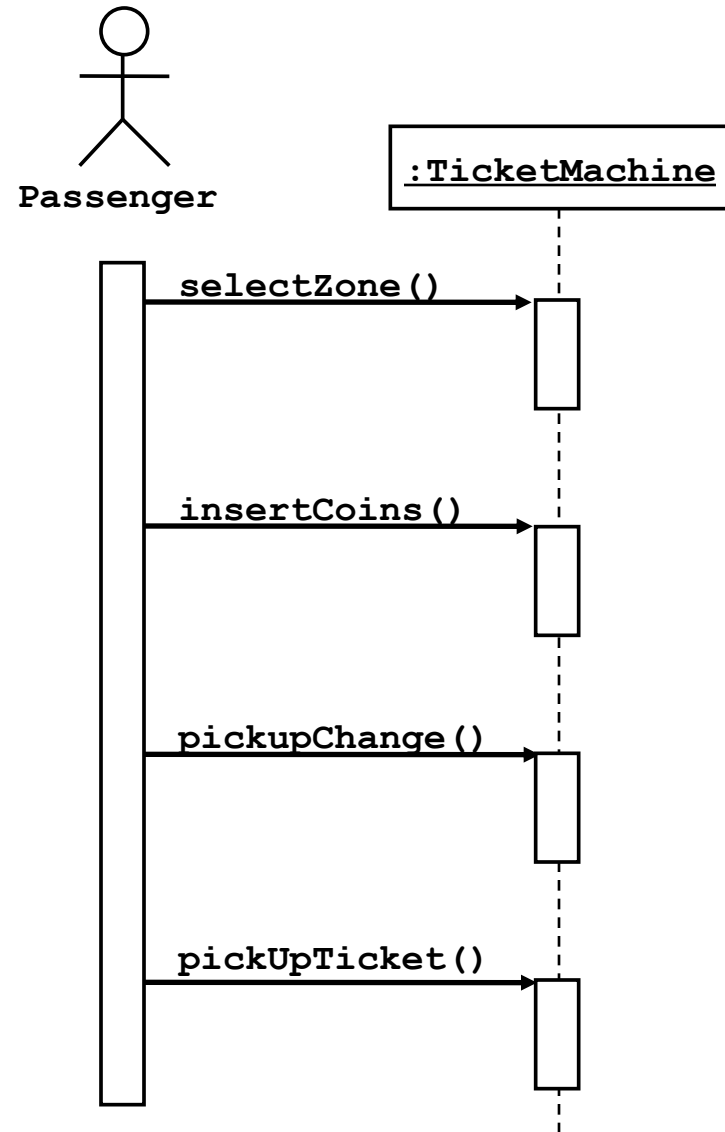


Interaction Diagrams

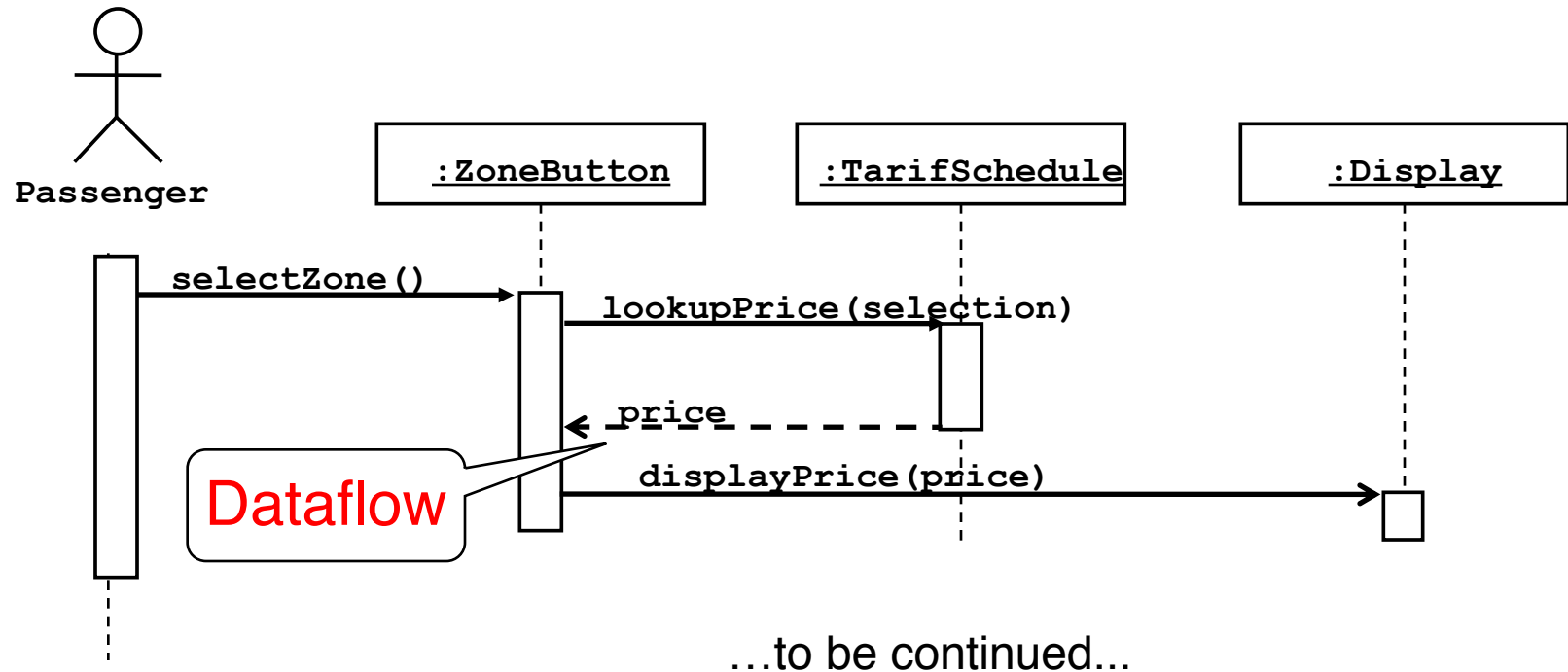
- **Interaction diagrams** are the main design-level behavior modeling technique in UML
 - Sequence diagrams
 - Communication diagrams
- **Interactions diagram** is a graphical visualization of sequences of messages between objects
- Object receiving a message activates the relevant method.
- The time when the flow of control is focused in an object is called **activation**

Sequence Diagrams

- Used during **requirements analysis**
 - To refine use case descriptions
 - to find additional objects (“participating objects”)
- Used during **system design**
 - to refine subsystem interfaces
- **Objects** participating in the interaction are represented by columns
- **Messages** are represented by arrows
- **Activations** are represented by narrow rectangles
- **Lifelines** are represented by dashed lines



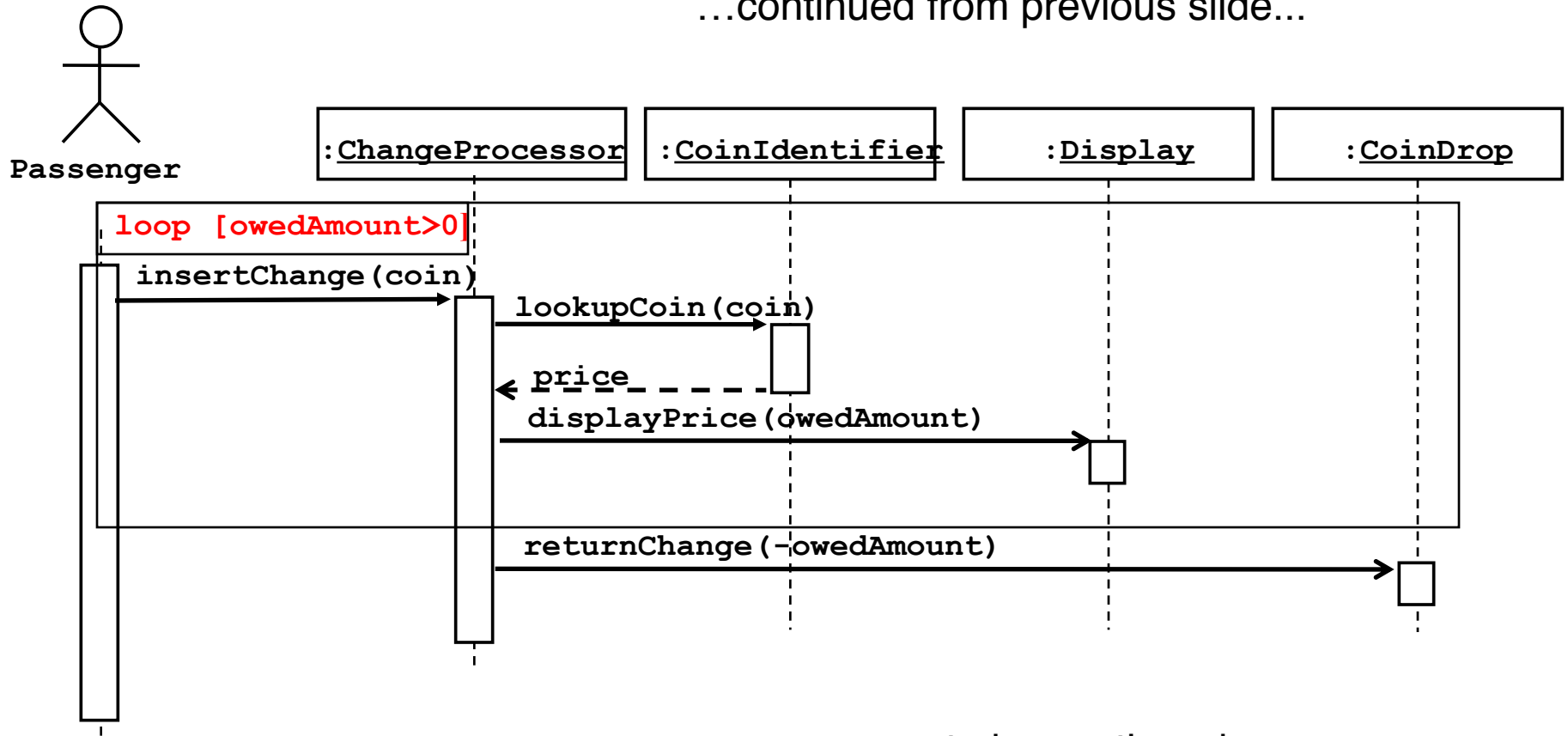
Sequence Diagrams



- The source of an arrow indicates the activation which sent the message
- An activation is as long as all nested activations
- Horizontal arrows indicate data flow
- Vertical dashed lines indicate lifelines

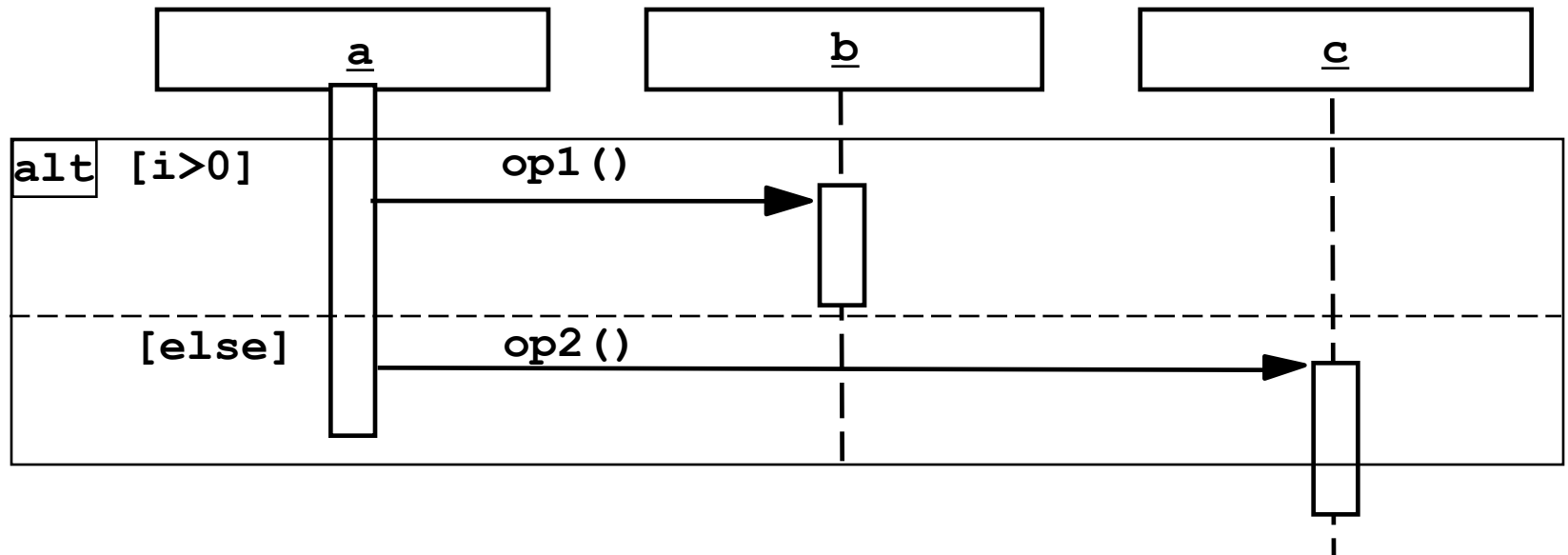
Sequence Diagrams (Iteration & condition)

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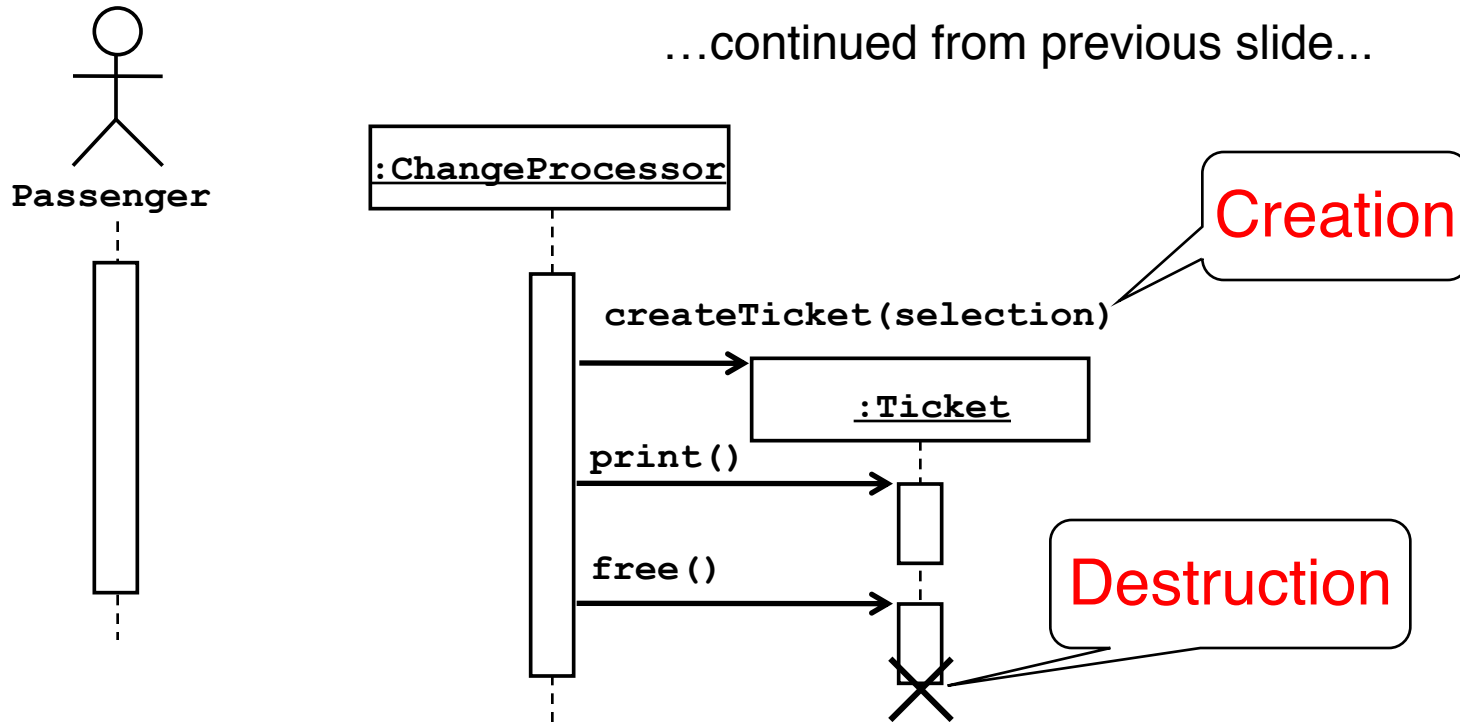


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Sequence Diagrams (branches)

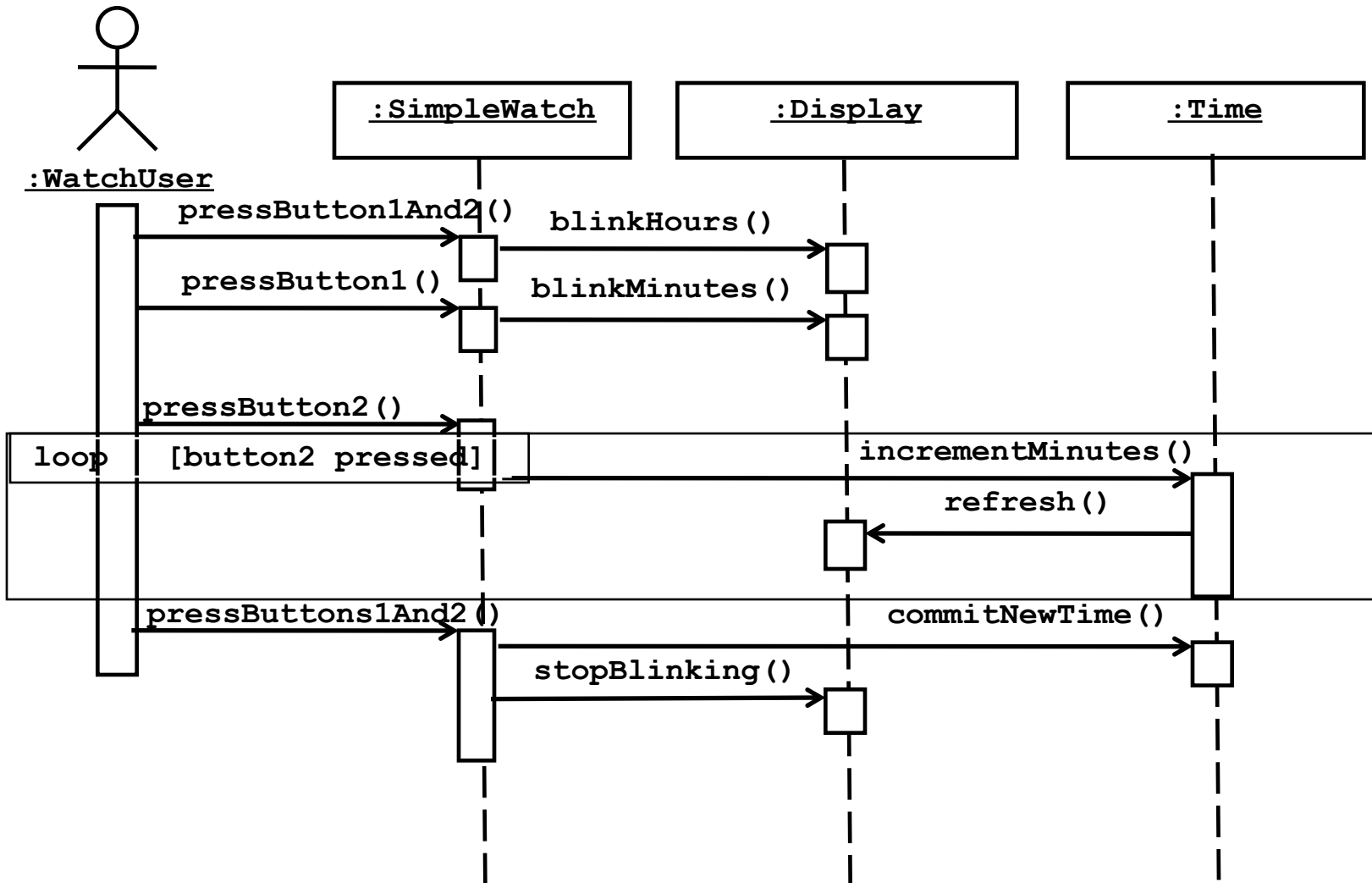


Sequence Diagrams (Creation and destruction)

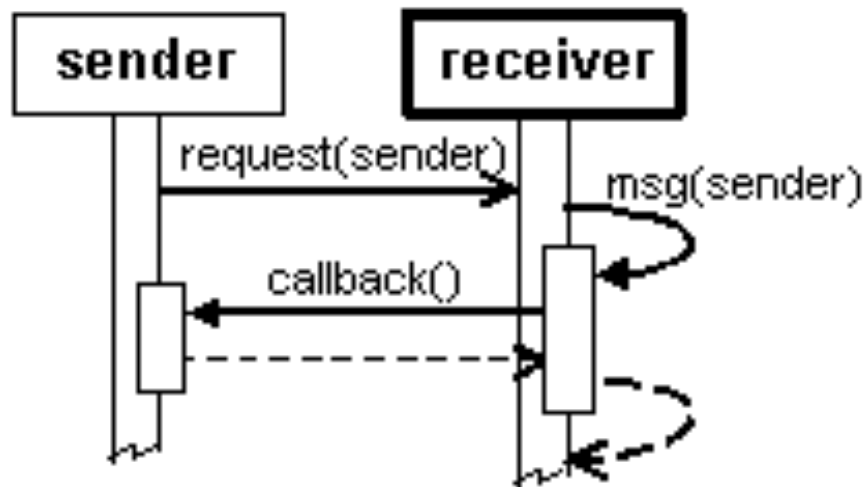


- Creation is denoted by a message arrow pointing to the object.
- **Destruction is denoted by an X mark at the end of the destruction activation.**
- In garbage collection environments, destruction can be used to denote the end of the useful life of an object.

Example



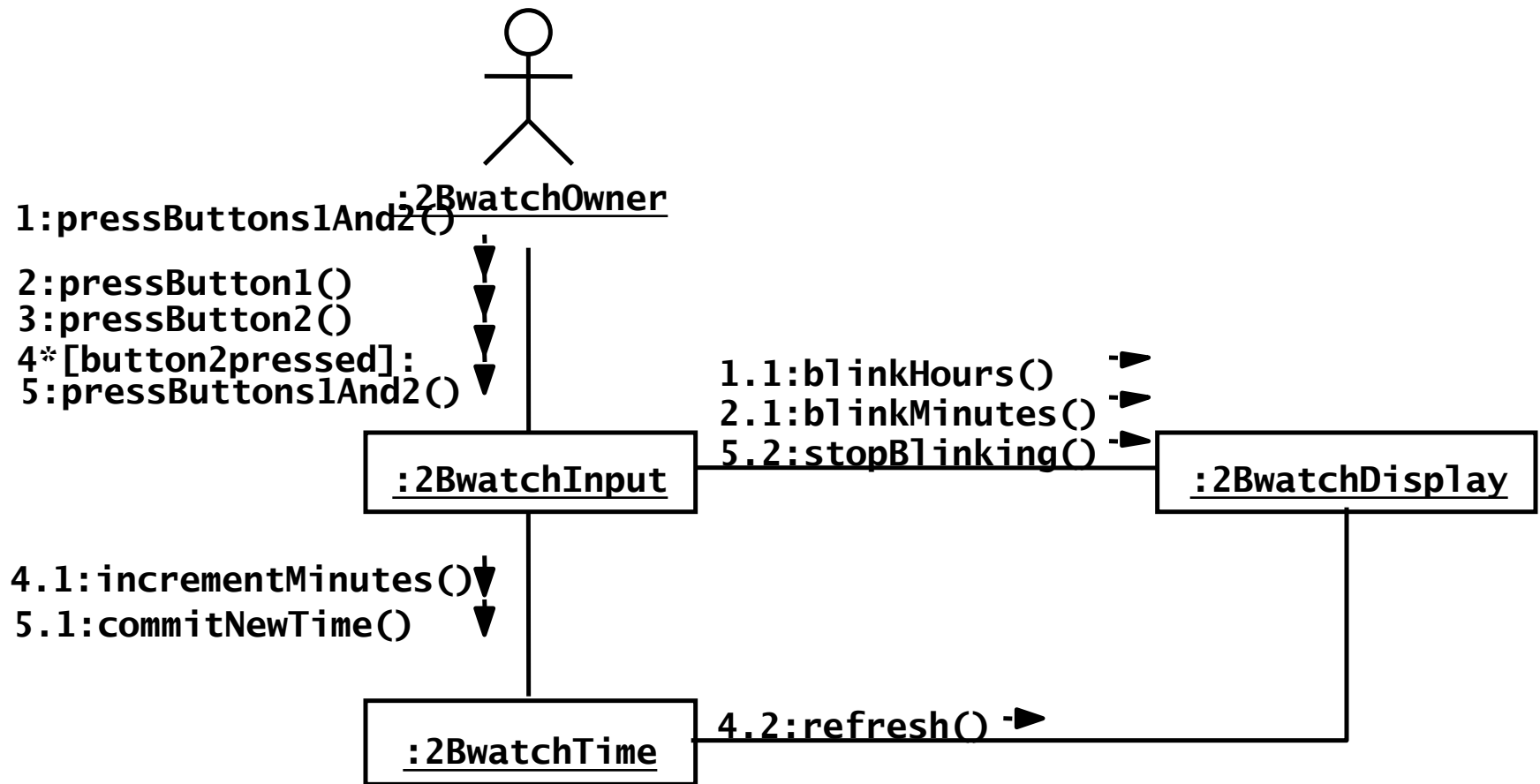
Some other example



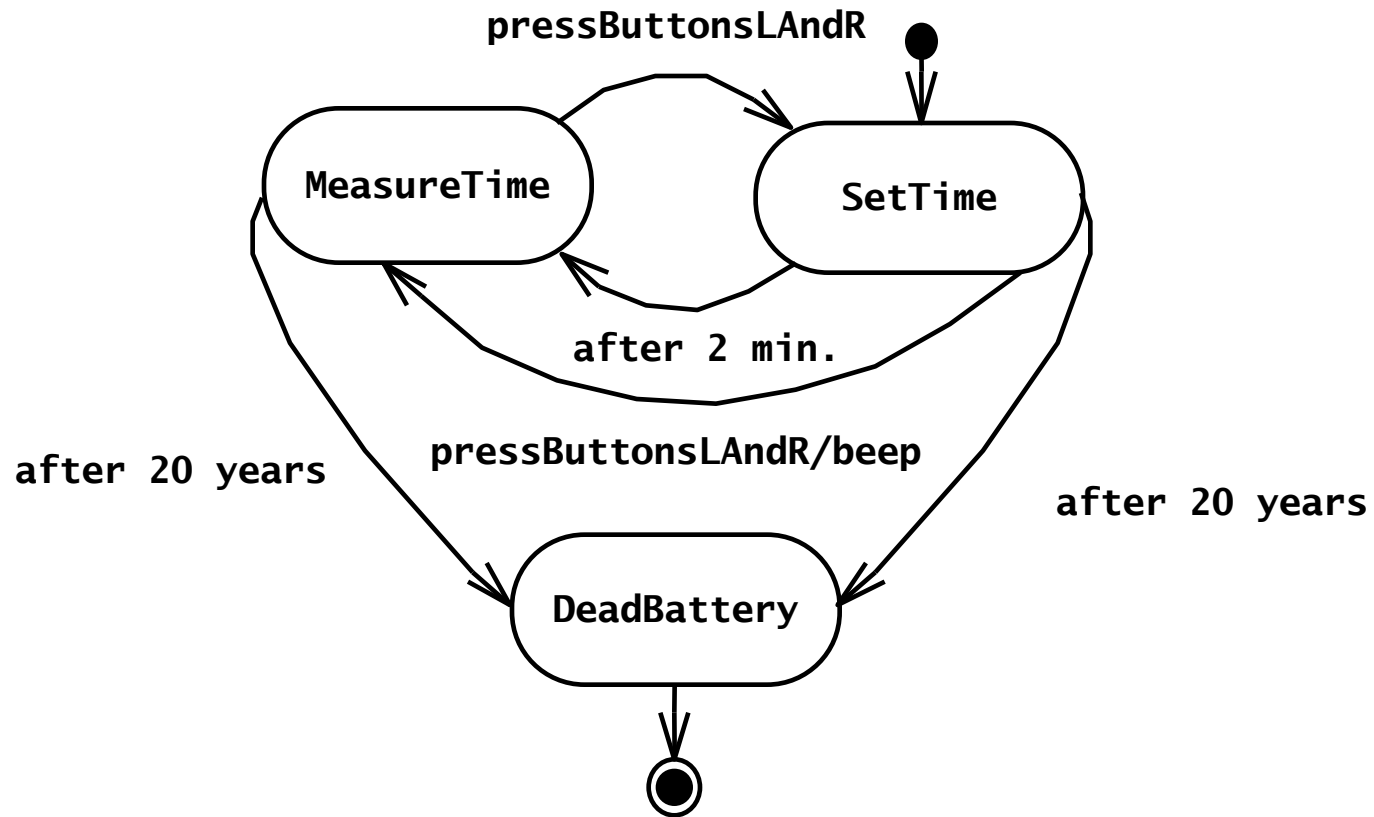
Sequence Diagrams (Summary)

- UML sequence diagram represent behavior in terms of interactions.
- Useful to find missing objects.
- Time consuming to build but worth the investment.
- Complement the class diagrams (which represent structure).

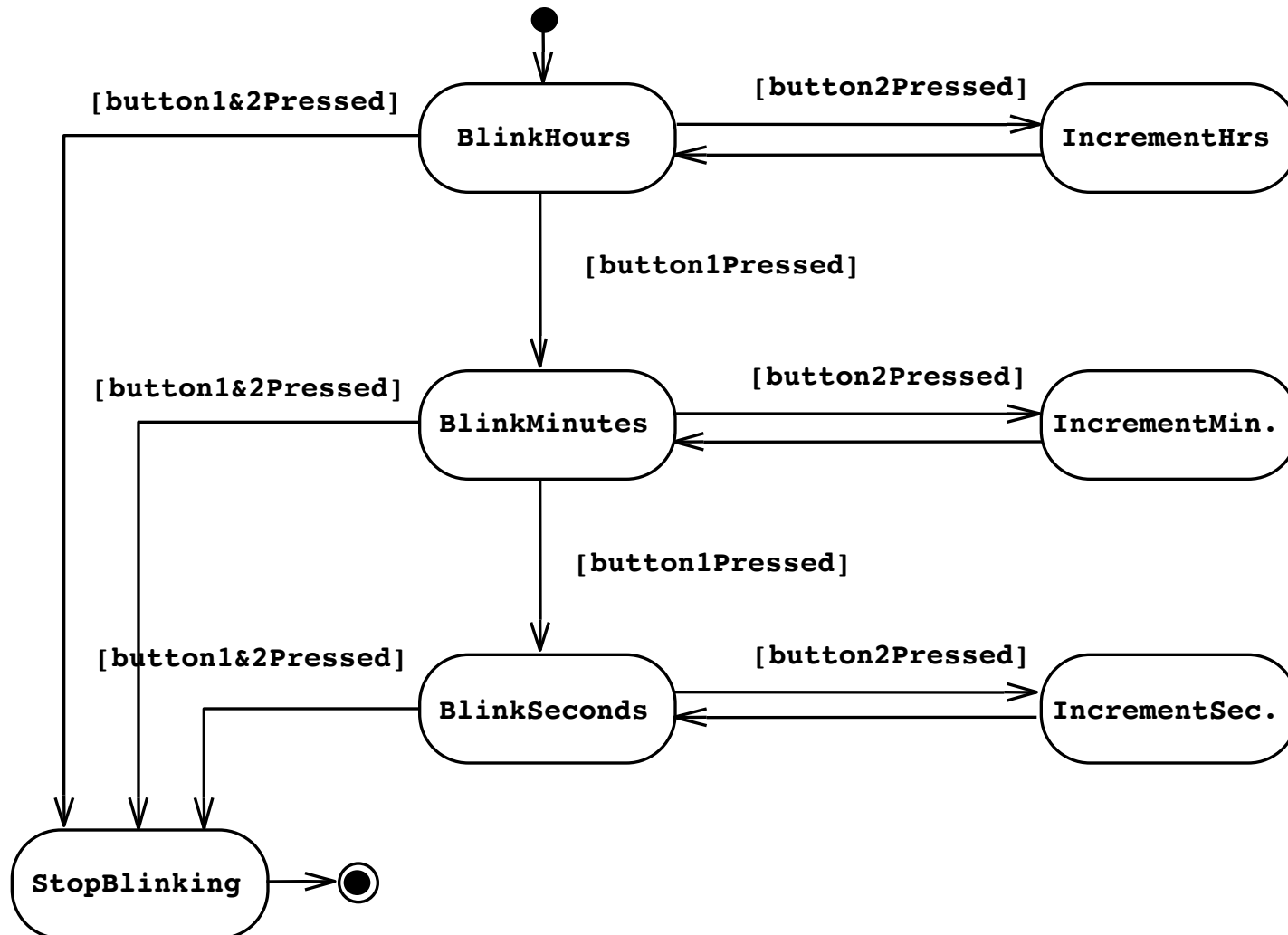
Communication diagrams



State Charts

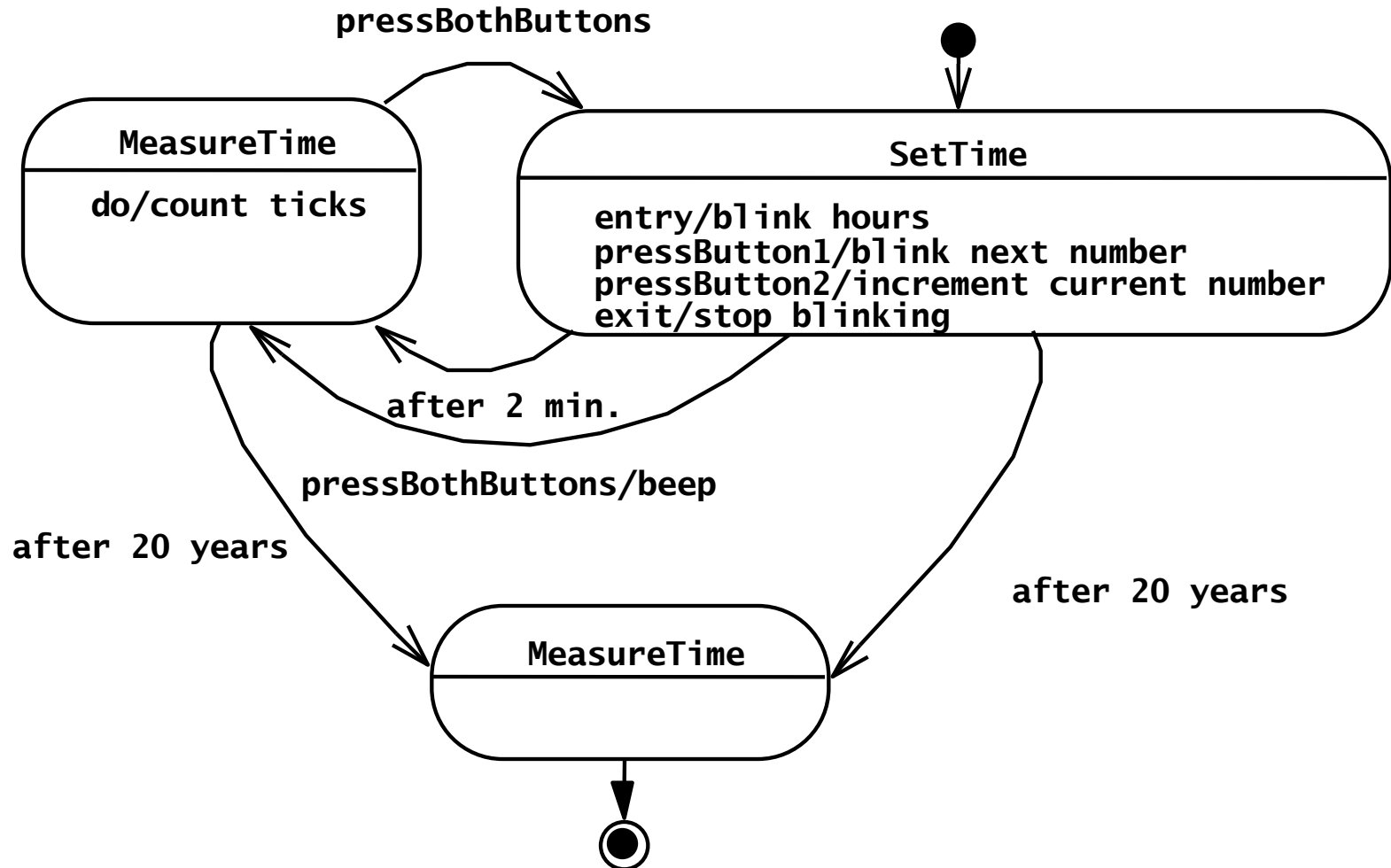


State Chart Diagrams

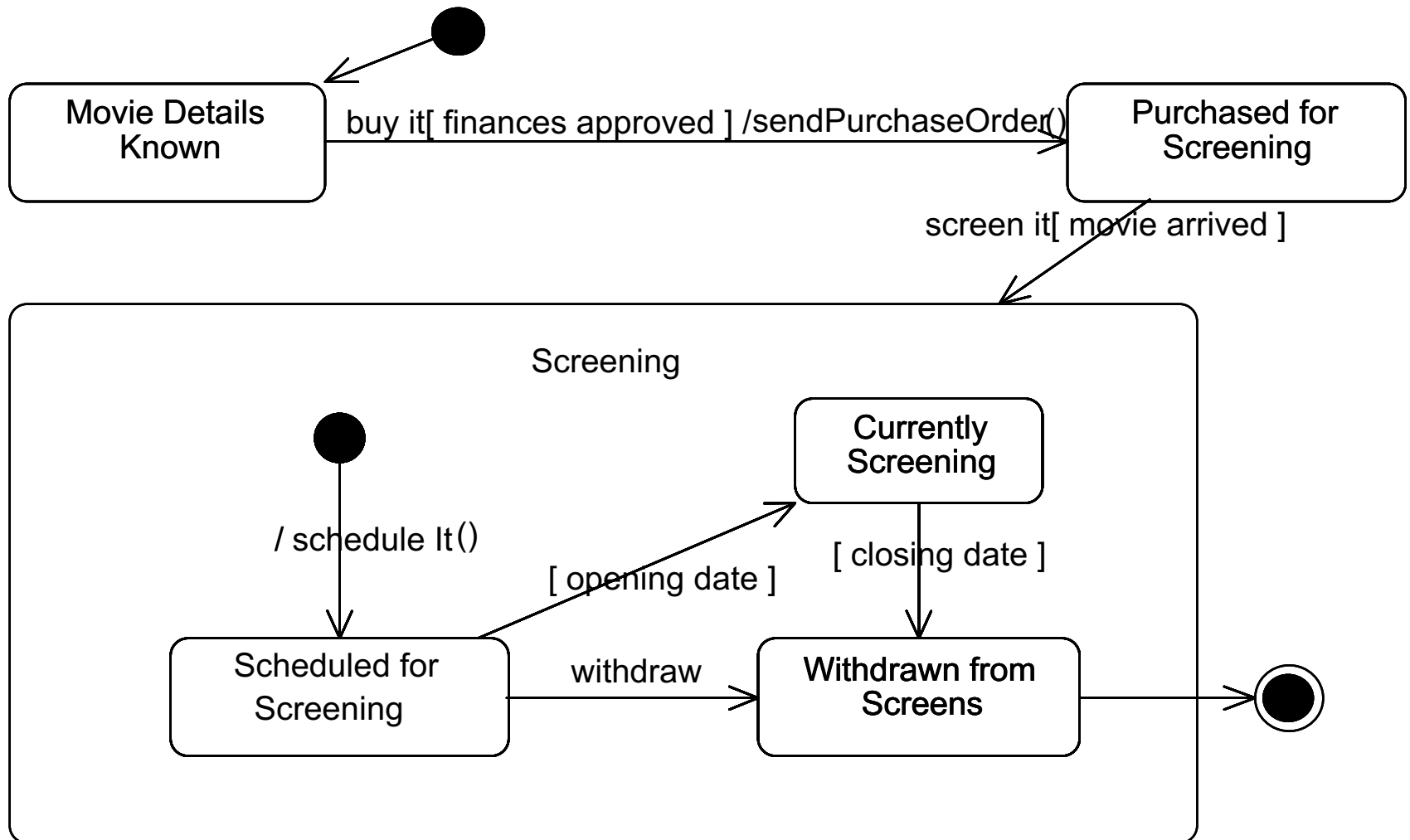


Represent behavior as states and transitions

Internal transitions

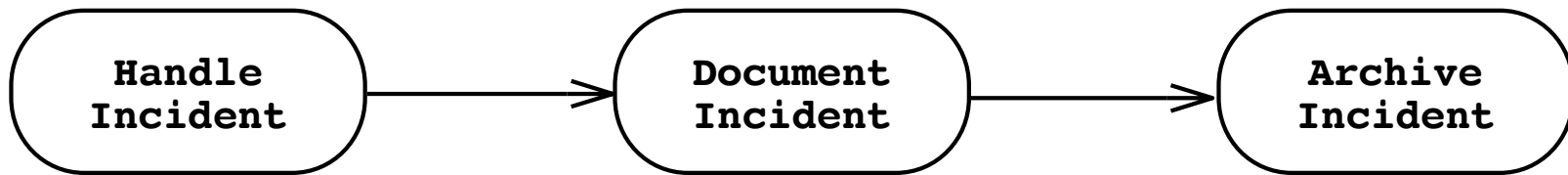


State Chart Diagrams (nested charts)



Activity Diagrams

- An activity diagram shows flow control within a system

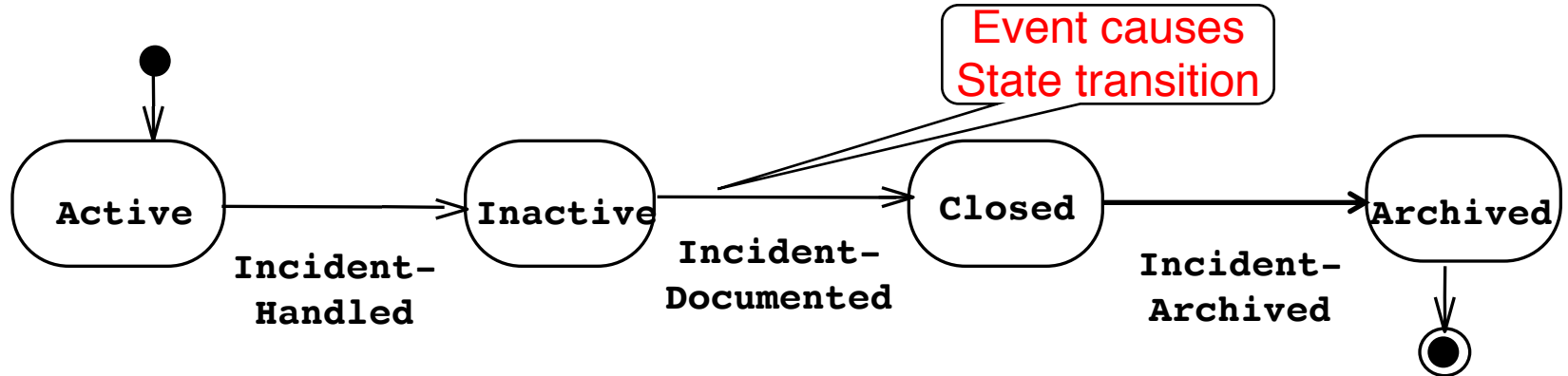


- An activity diagram is a special case of a state chart diagram in which states are activities (“functions”)
- Two types of states:
 - *Action state*:
 - Cannot be decomposed any further
 - Happens “instantaneously” with respect to the level of abstraction used in the model
 - *Activity state*:
 - Can be decomposed further
 - The activity is modeled by another activity diagram

Statechart Diagram vs. Activity Diagram

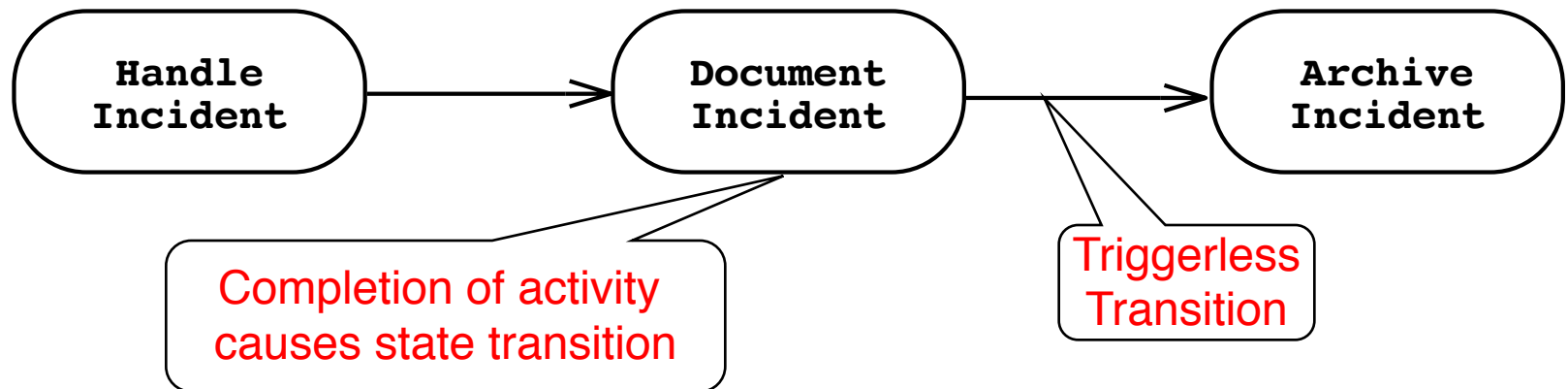
Statechart Diagram for Incident

(State: Attribute or Collection of Attributes of object of type Incident)

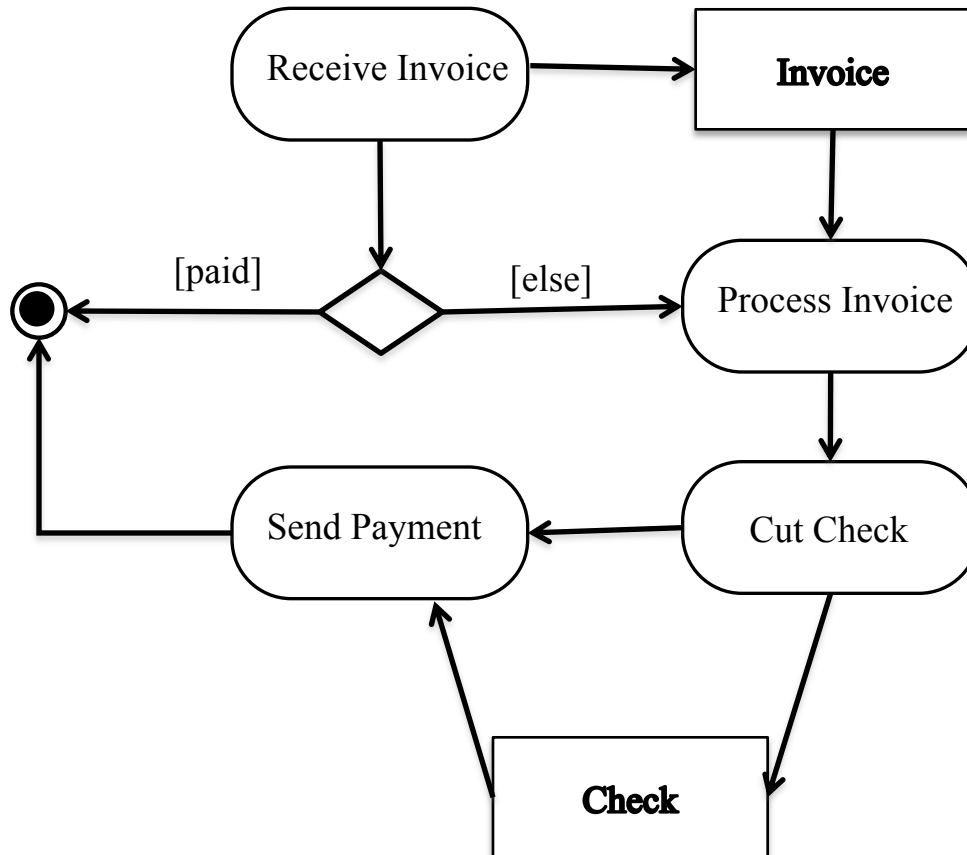


Activity Diagram for Incident

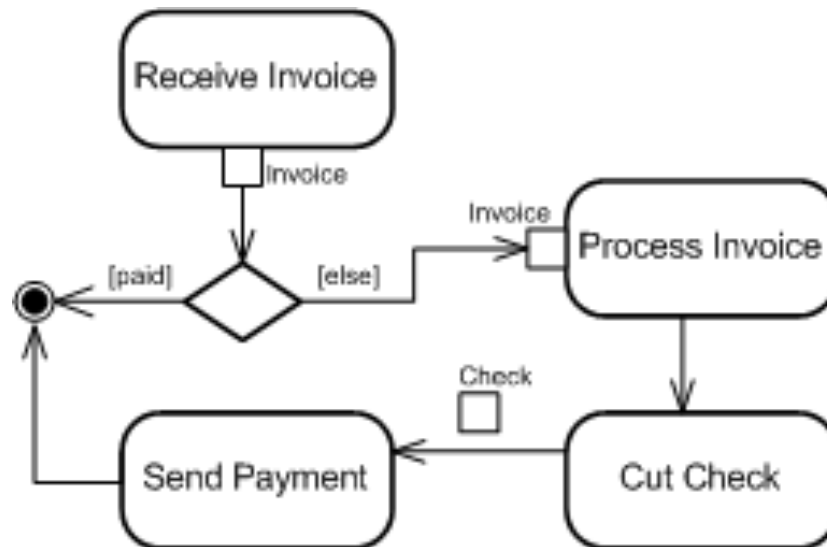
(State: Operation or Collection of Operations)



Object flow

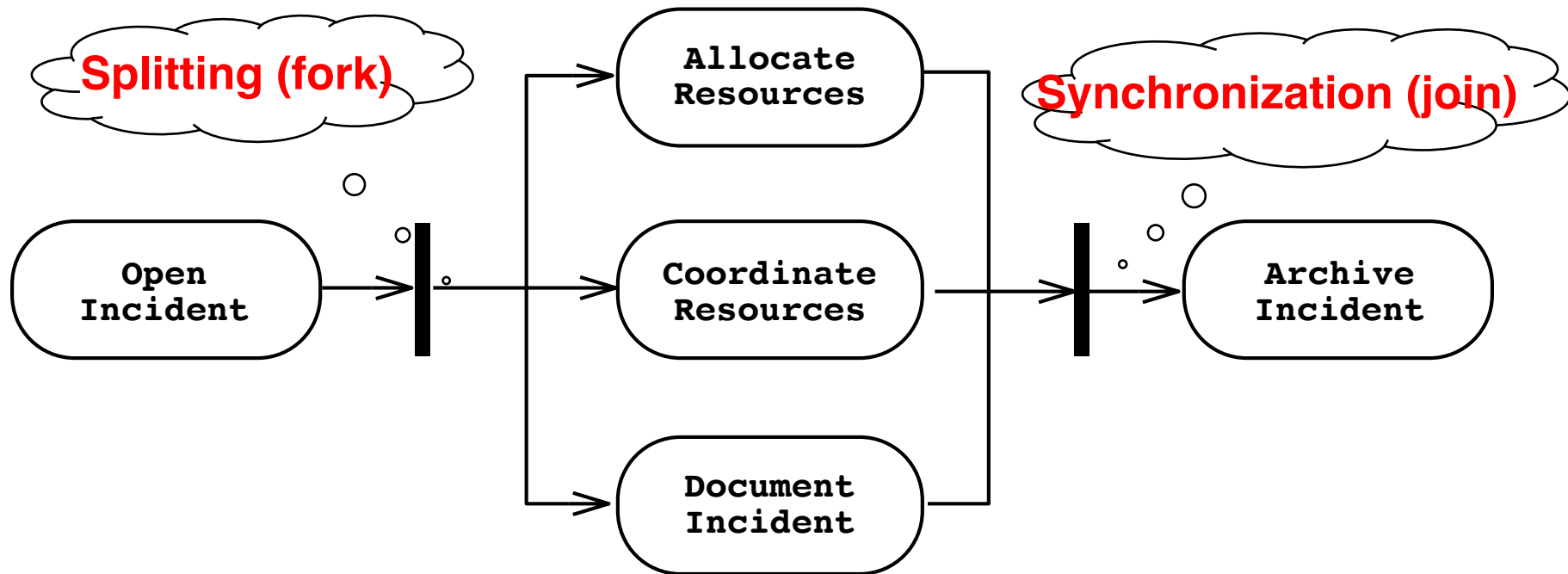


Decisions and Object flow



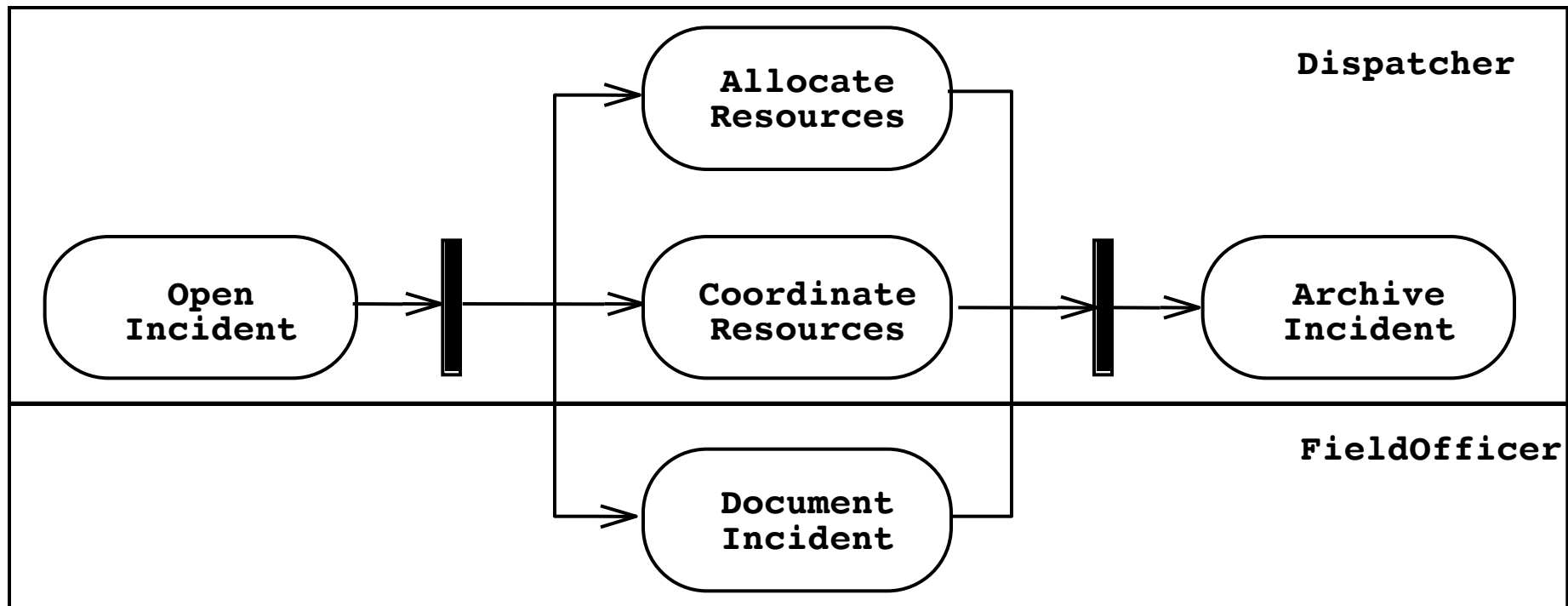
Activity Diagrams: Modeling Concurrency

- Synchronization of multiple activities
- Splitting the flow of control into multiple threads



Activity Diagrams: Swimlanes

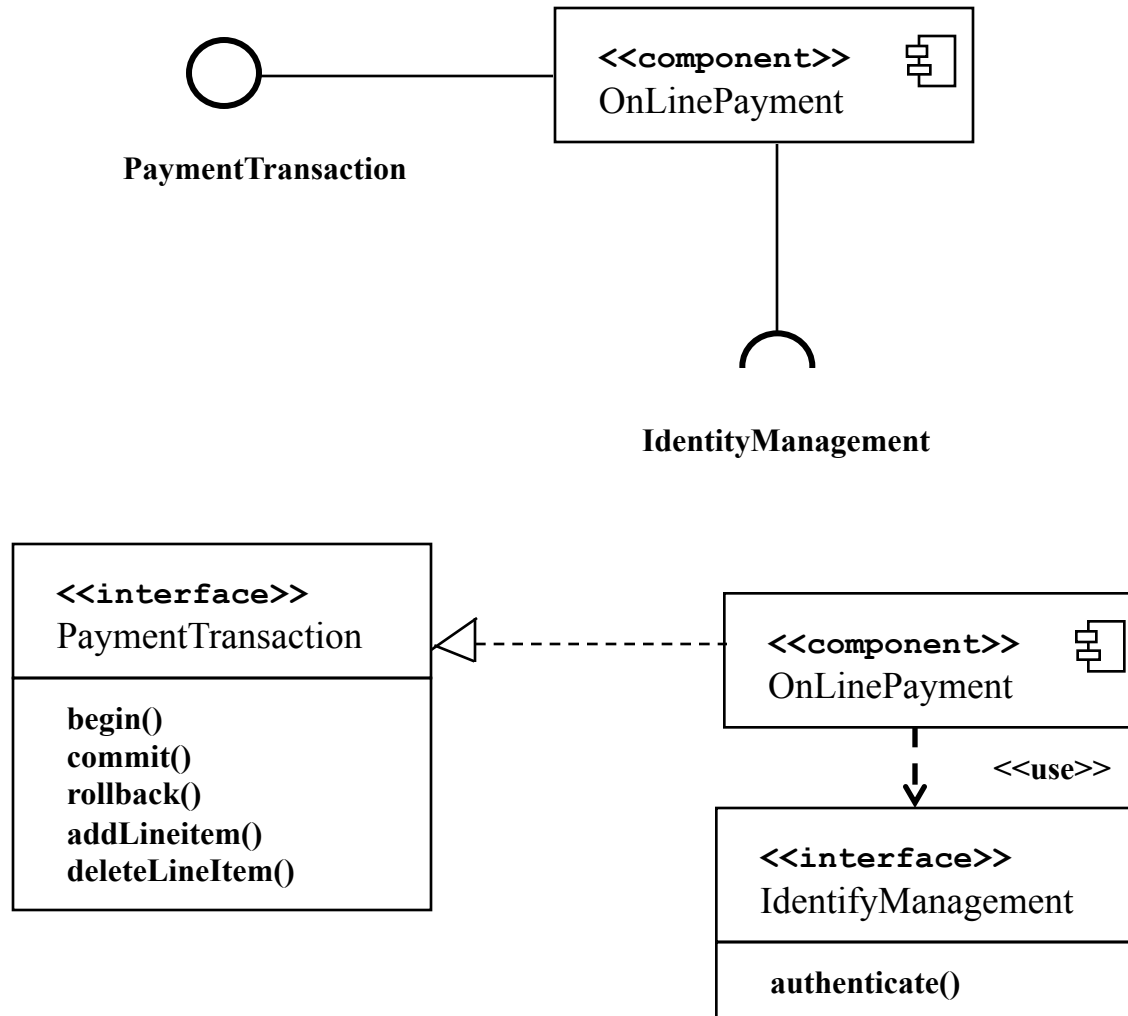
- Actions may be grouped into swimlanes to denote the object or subsystem that implements the actions.



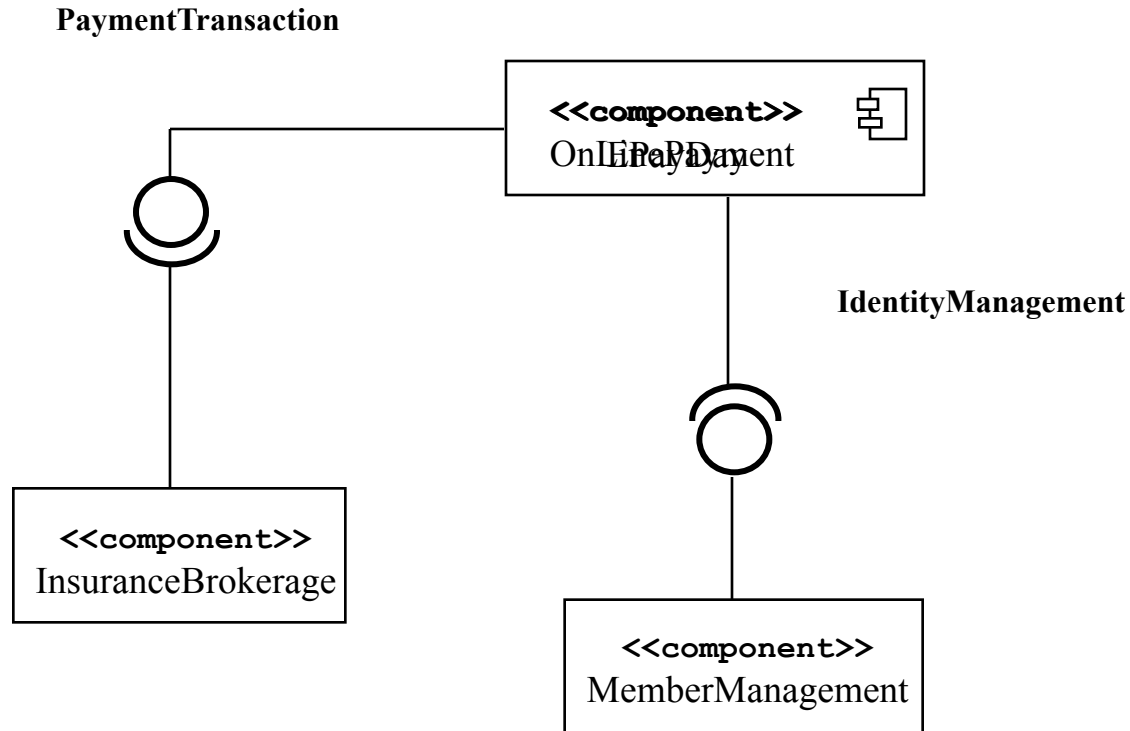
Component and Deployment diagrams

- Models for physical implementation of the system
- Show system components, their structure and dependencies and how they are deployed on computer nodes
- Two kinds of diagrams:
 - component diagrams
 - deployment diagrams
- Component diagrams show structure of components, including their interface and implementation dependencies
- Deployment diagrams show the runtime deployment of the system on computer nodes

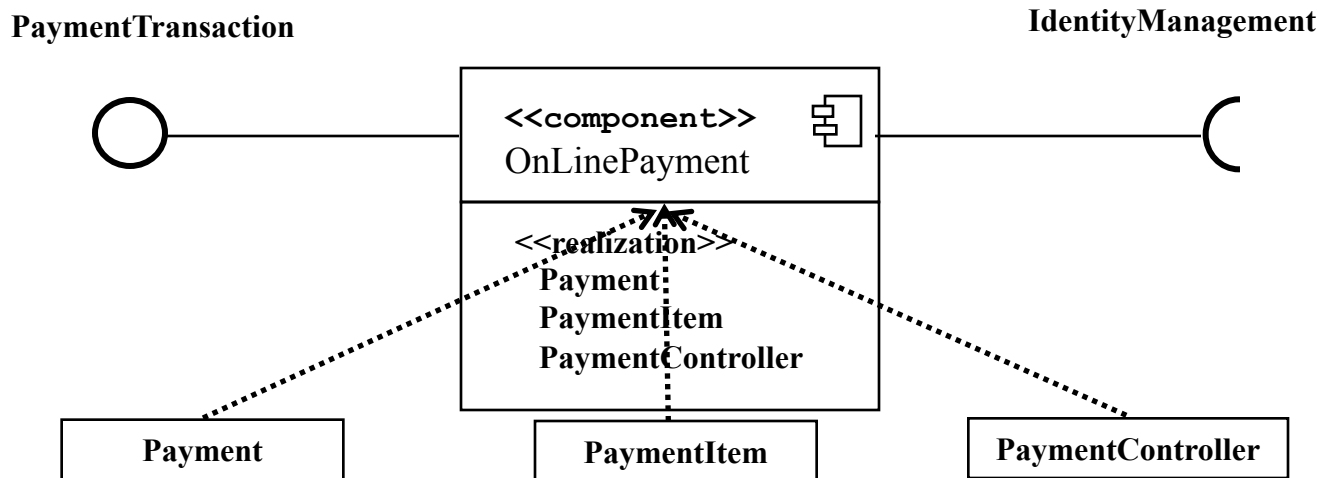
Component Diagrams (component interface)



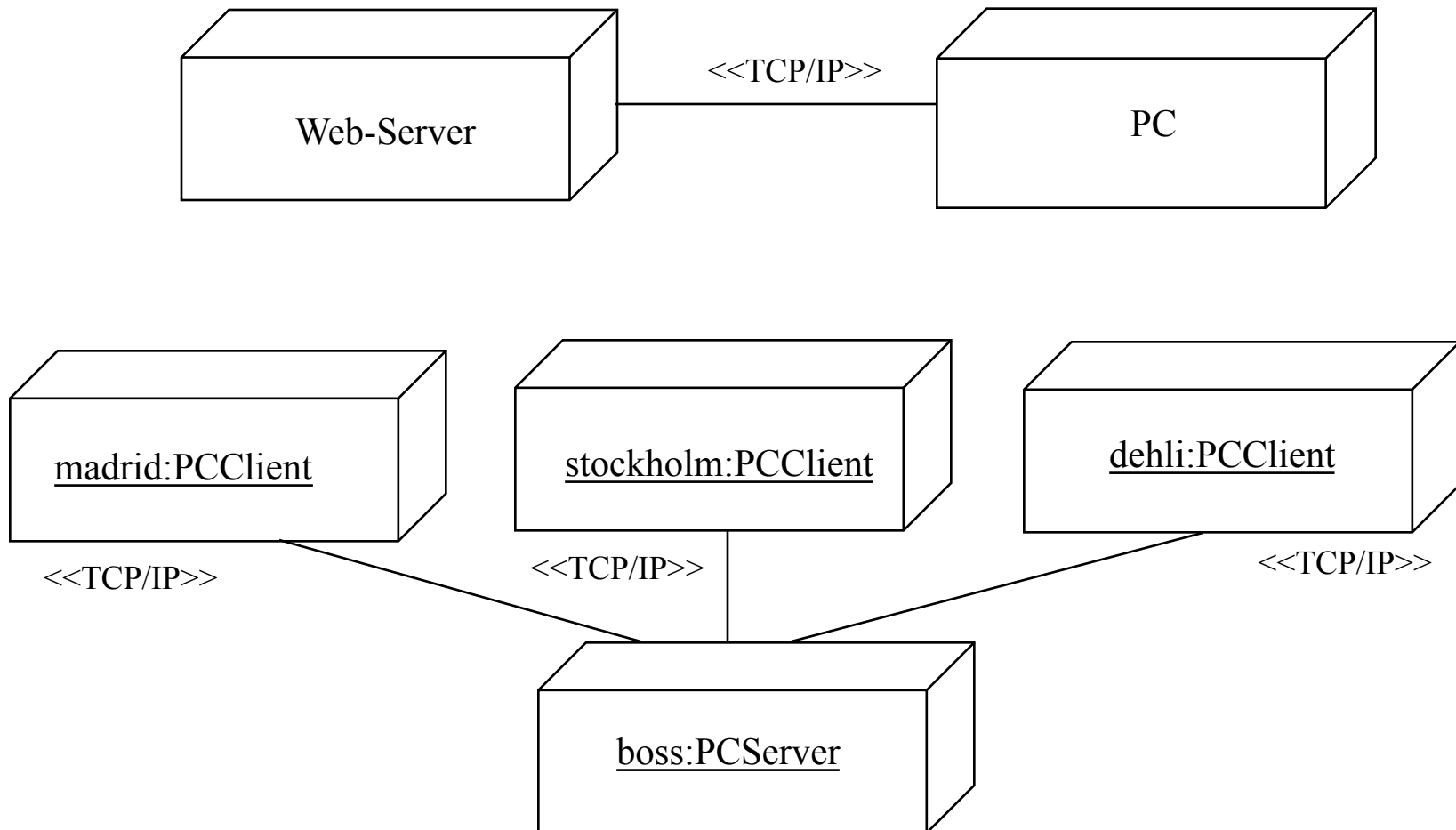
Component Diagram



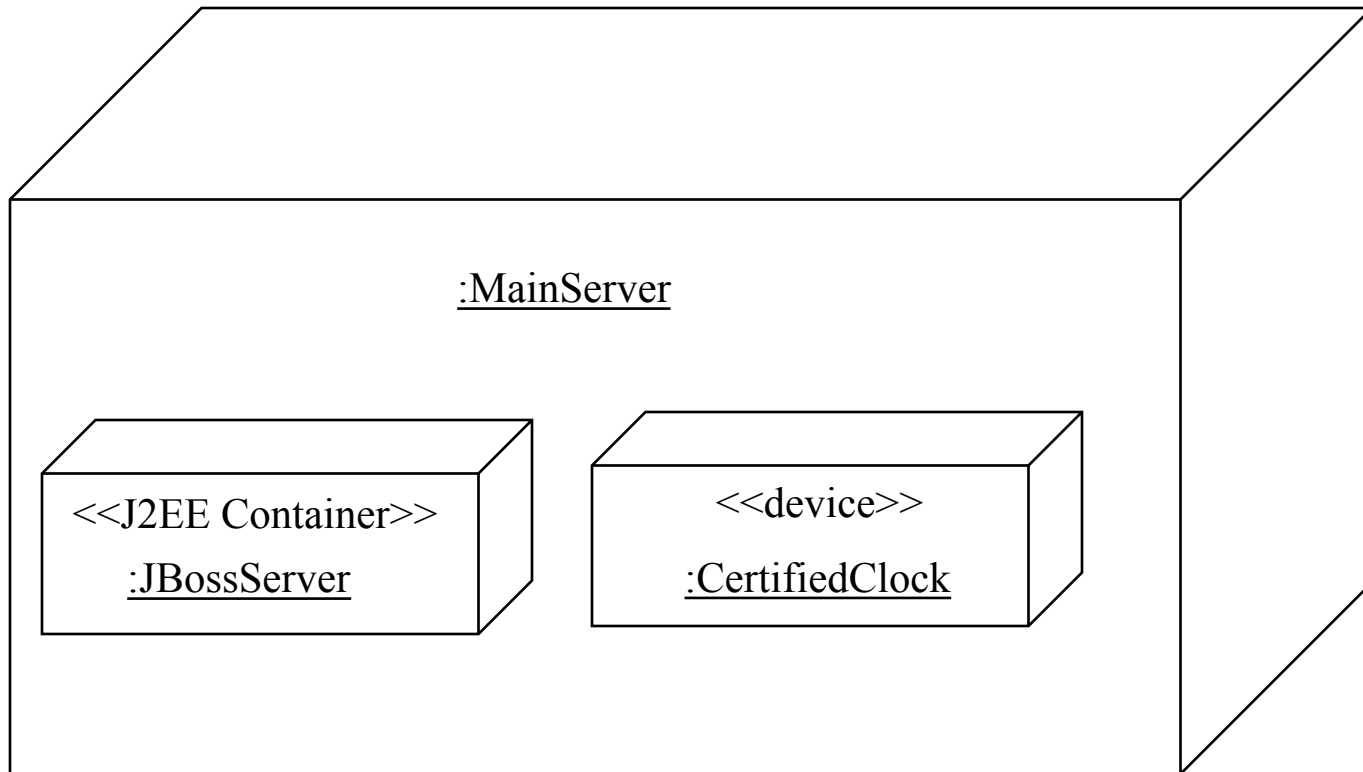
Component Diagram (component realization)



Deployment diagrams

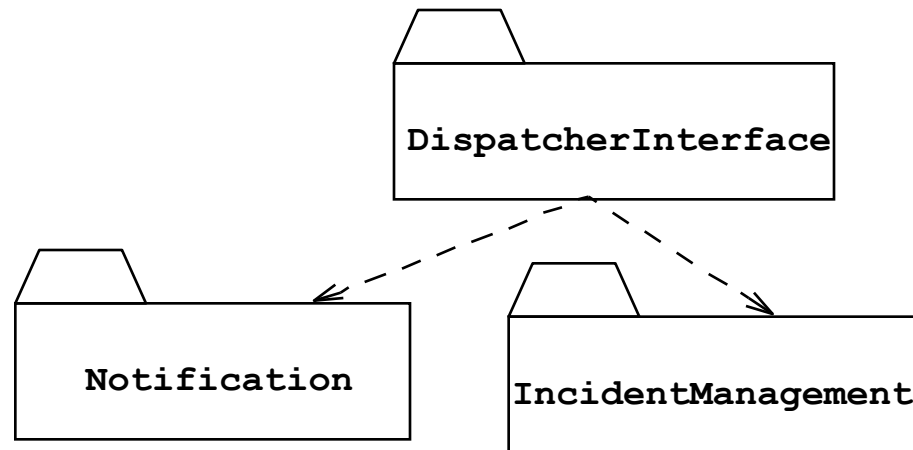


Deployment diagrams



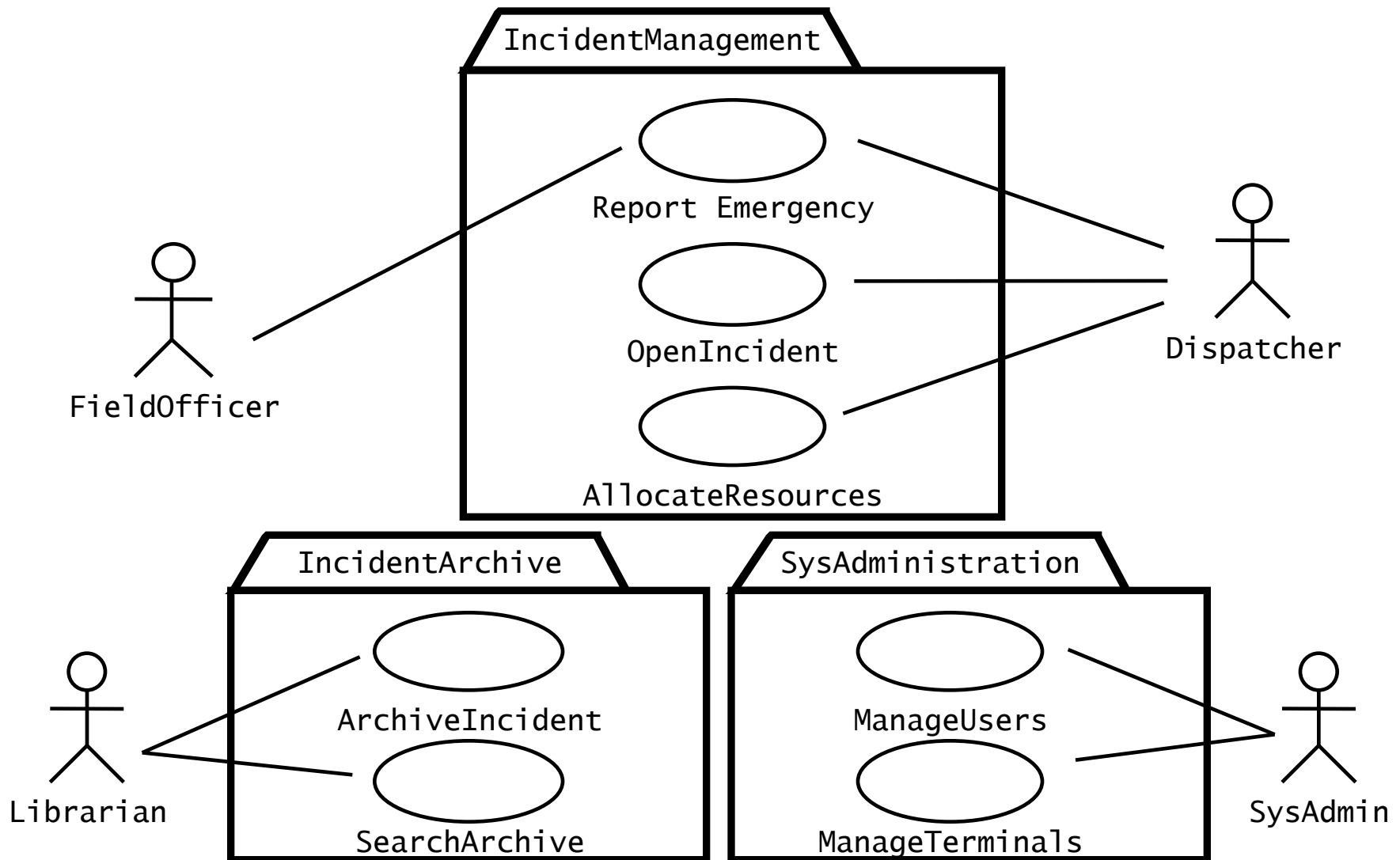
Packages

- A package is a UML mechanism for organizing elements into groups (usually not an application domain concept)
- Packages are the basic grouping construct with which you may organize UML models to increase their readability.

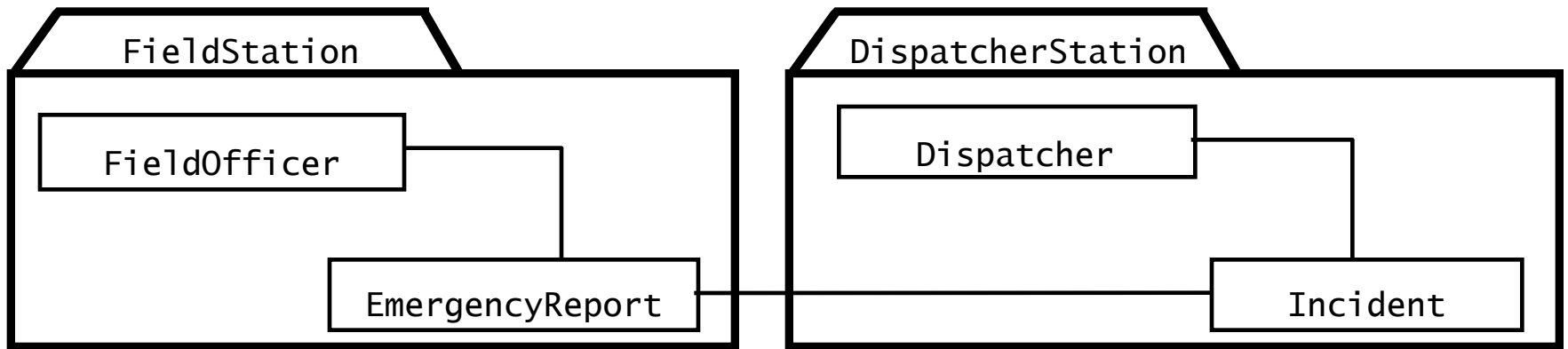


- A complex system can be decomposed into subsystems, where each subsystem is modeled as a package

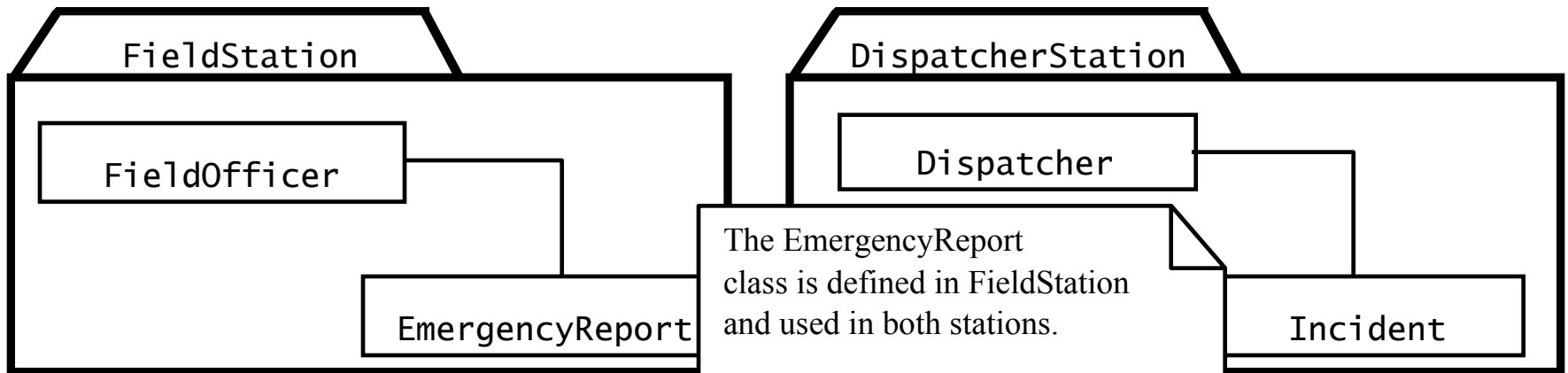
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Notes



UML Summary

- UML provides a wide variety of notations for representing many aspects of software development
 - Powerful, but complex language
 - Can be misused to generate unreadable models
 - Can be misunderstood when using too many exotic features
- For now we concentrate on a few notations:
 - Functional model: Use case diagram
 - Object model: class diagram
 - Dynamic model: sequence diagrams, statechart and activity diagrams

Next lecture

- Requirements elicitation

Chapter 4 in the text-book