# Review of State Diagrams

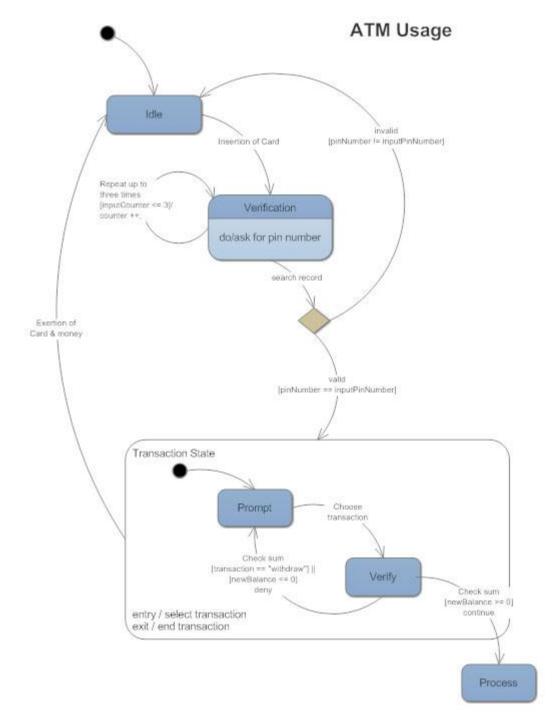
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### Symbols

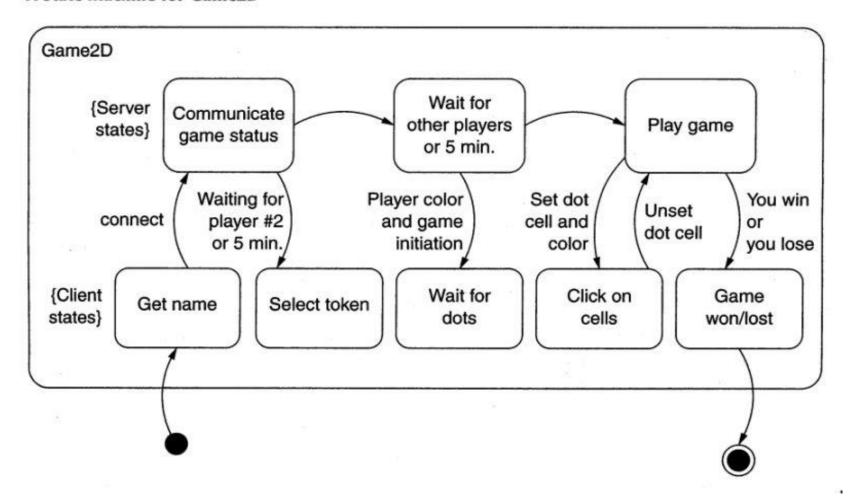
**Initial State** A filled circle followed by an arrow Prompt Represents situations during the life of an object transaction State State A rectangle with rounded corners Examples: Idle, Active, Inactive, Verifying, Waiting, Check Username Solid arrows that represent the path between different states of an object Must be labelled with the event that triggered it and the action that results from it **Transitions** A state can have a transition that points back to itself A filled circle nested inside another circle **Final State** The transition arrow must point to it



- A state diagram shows the behavior of classes in response to external stimuli
- Specifically, a state diagram describes the behavior of a single object in response to a series of events in a system
- Also known as a Harel state chart or a state machine diagram

This UML diagram models the dynamic flow of control from state to state of a particular object within a system

#### A State Machine for Game2D



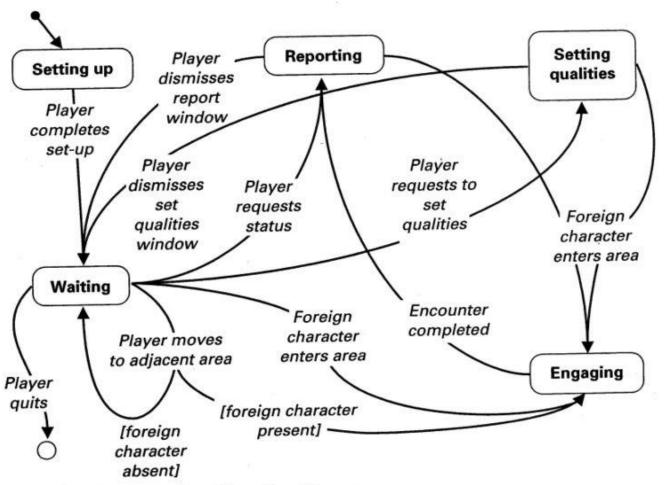
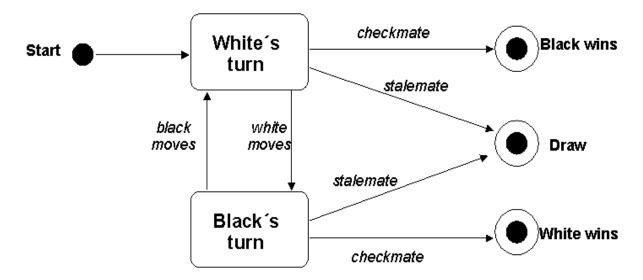
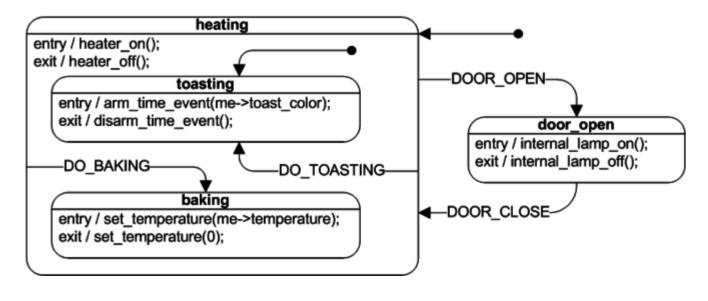


Figure 3.40 Encounter State-Transition Diagram

### UML State Diagram - example

#### Chess game



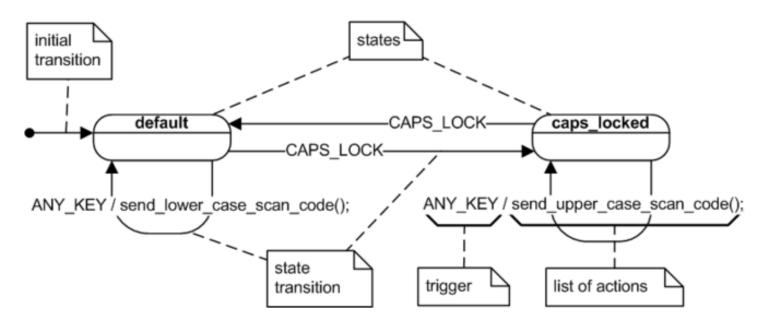


## Composite state (also known as a 'nested state')

- Refers to a state that encompasses various sub-states, which are nested into it
- In the air toaster oven example, the 'heating' status of the machine represents the composite/nested state.

#### **Substates**

- Refers to a state contained within a composite state's region
- Are used to simplify complex flat state diagrams by showing that some states are only possible within a particular context
- In the toaster oven example, 'toasting' and 'baking' are sub-states in the larger 'heating' composite state.

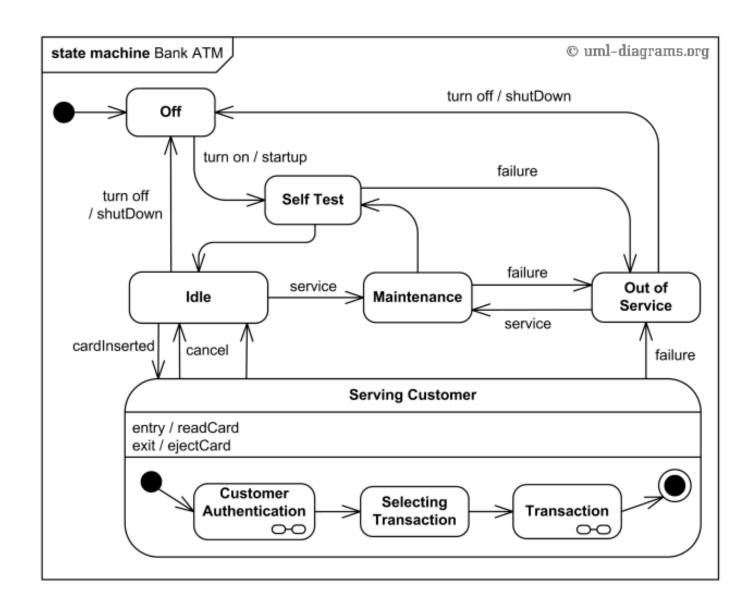


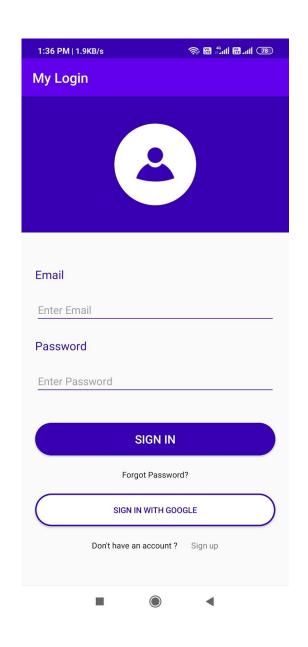
#### **Trigger**

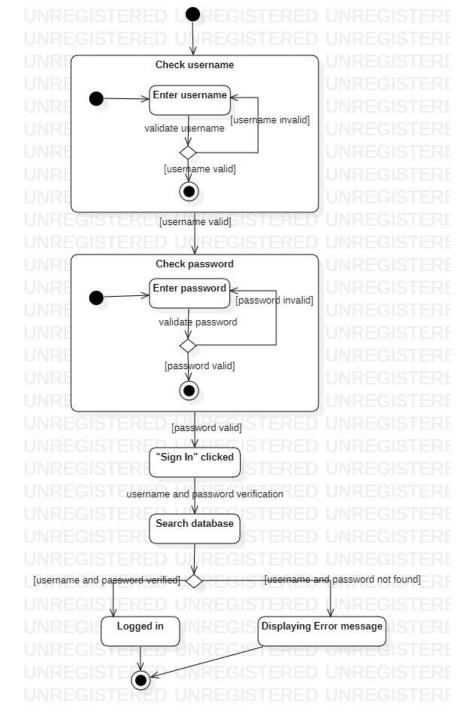
A message that moves an object from state to state

In the sample state diagram (keyboard), pressing CapsLock is the triggering event.

- If the keyboard is in the "default" state, pressing CapsLock will cause the keyboard to enter the "caps\_locked" state.
- If the keyboard is in the "caps\_locked" state, pressing CapsLock will cause the keyboard to enter the "default" state.







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