**EXPERIMENT 6**

**Aim :**

To prepare Activity Diagrams for the Application Software – **Bill Management System.**

**Theory :**

**What is Activity Diagram ?**

The [Unified Modelling Language](https://www.lucidchart.com/pages/what-is-UML-unified-modeling-language) (UML) includes several subsets of diagrams, including structure diagrams, interaction diagrams, and behaviour diagrams. Activity diagrams, along with [use case](https://www.lucidchart.com/pages/uml-use-case-diagram) and [state machine diagrams](https://www.lucidchart.com/pages/uml-state-machine-diagram), are considered behaviour diagrams because they describe what must happen in the system being modelled.

Stakeholders have many issues to manage, so it's important to communicate with clarity and brevity. Activity diagrams help people on the business and development sides of an organization come together to understand the same process and behaviour. We’ll use a set of specialized symbols – including those used for starting, ending, merging, or receiving steps in the flow – to make an activity diagram.

**Benefits of Activity Diagram :**

* It demonstrates the logic of an algorithm.
* It describes the steps performed in a UML use case.
* It illustrates a business process or workflow between users and the system.
* It simplifies and improves any process by clarifying complicated use cases.
* It models software architecture elements, such as method, function, and operation.

**What are the Components of Activity Diagram ?**

* **Action :**A step in the activity wherein the users or software perform a given task.
* **Decision Node :** A conditional branch in the flow that is represented by a diamond. It includes a single input and two or more outputs.
* **Control Flows :** Another name for the connectors that show the flow between steps in the diagram.
* **Start Node :** Symbolizes the beginning of the activity. The start node is represented by a black circle.
* **End Node :** Represents the final step in the activity. The end node is represented by an outlined black circle.

**Conclusion :**

The Activity Diagrams for the Application Software – **Bill Management System** were prepared successfully.

**Activity Diagram Symbols and Notation :**

**Symbol Name**

start Symbol Start Symbol

activity Symbol Activity Symbol

connector Symbol Connector Symbol

joint Symbol Joint Symbol

fork Symbol Fork Symbol

decision Symbol Decision Symbol

note Symbol Note Symbol

send signal Symbol Send Signal Symbol

receive signal Symbol Receive Signal Symbol

shallow history pseudostate symbol Shallow History Pseudo State Symbol

option loop symbol Option Loop Symbol

flow final symbol Flow Final Symbol

condition text Condition Text

end symbol End Symbol

Activity Diagrams for the Application Software – **Bill Management System :**



