

Software Engineering Course
07. Design (Part-1).pptx

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Topics

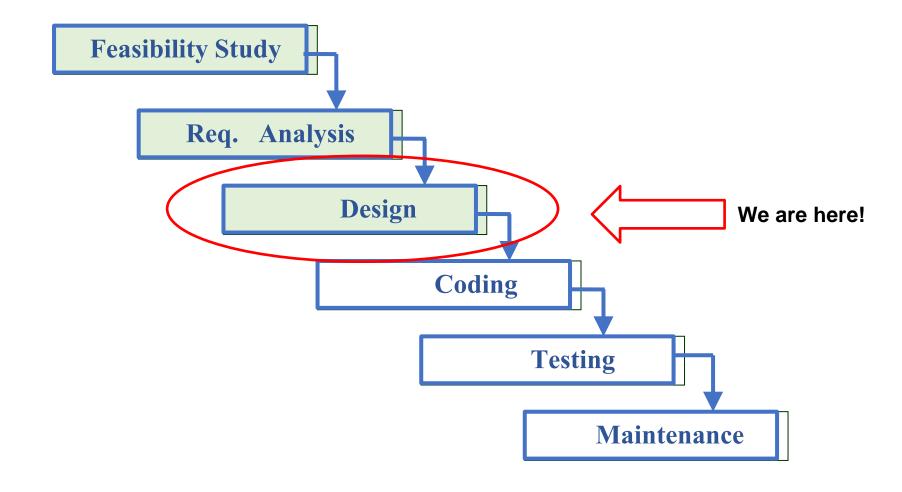


- 1. Software Design Basics
- 2. UML
- 3. Use Case Detailing



Topic #1: Software Design Basics







- Software design is a process to transform user requirements into some suitable form, which helps the programmer in software coding and implementation. [1]
- Requirements Analysis output → SRS Document [2]; Must be detailed to assist coding and implementation.
 - That's why design process is needed.
 - The output of this process can directly be used into implementation in programming languages.
- It is the first phase that moves from "problem" domain to "solution" domain.
- Primary goal: Tries to specify "how" to fulfill requirements in SRS Document.

Software Design Level



Architectural Design

- Highest abstract version of the system
- It identifies the software as a <u>system with many components</u> interacting with each other.
- At this level, the designers get the idea of proposed solution domain.

High-level Design

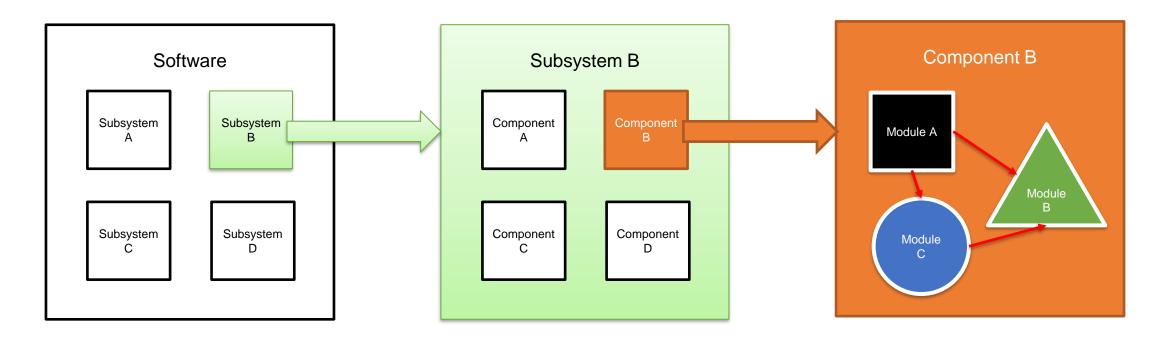
- Less-abstracted view of <u>sub-systems and modules</u> and depicts their <u>interaction</u> with each other
- Focuses on how the system along with all its components can be implemented in forms of modules.

Detailed Design

- Detailed design deals with the <u>implementation</u> part of the previous two design levels.
- More detailed towards modules and their implementations.
- It defines <u>logical structure of each module</u> and their <u>interfaces to communicate</u> with other modules.

Software Design Basics Software Design Level





Architectural Level High Level Detailed Level

Modularization



- Modularization is a technique to <u>divide a software system</u> into multiple discrete and independent modules.
 - Which are expected to be capable of carrying out task(s) <u>independently</u>.
- Modules work as basic constructs for the entire software.
 - They should be able to be executed and/or compiled separately and independently.
- It follows "divide and conquer" problem solving strategy.
- Advantage of modularization:
 - Smaller components are easier to maintain
 - Program can be divided based on functional aspects
 - Desired level of abstraction can be brought in the program
 - Components with high cohesion can be re-used again
 - Concurrent execution can be made possible
 - Desired from security aspect

1. Software Design Basics **Modularization**



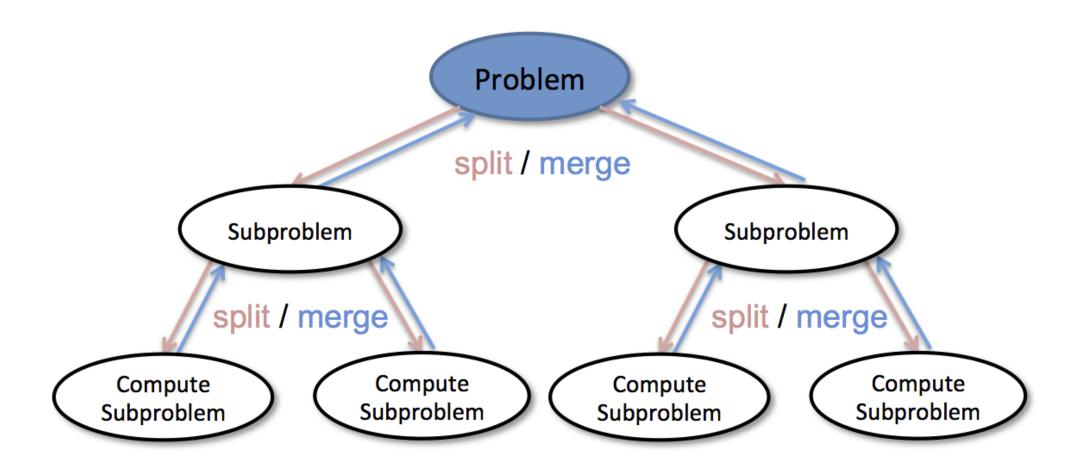


Figure: Divide and Conquer. [3]

Concurrency



- In previous time, software can only be executed sequentially.
 - One coded instruction executed at one time before any others.
- More modern hardware now have capacity to execute instruction in parallel manner.
 - Multiple smallest unit of instructions (thread) can be executed in one time.
 - It dramatically increase the responsiveness of the software.
- That is why, modern software should be able to work utilize the parallel capability of their hardware host.
- It is necessary for the programmers and designers to recognize the modules as units made to enable parallel execution.
- Example
 - The spell check feature in word processor is a module of software, which runs along side the word processor itself.

Coupling and Cohesion



- When software is modularized, there will be aspects known as coupling and cohesion.
- Module are set of instructions put together to achieve certain task.
 - They are single entities.
 - But may refer to each other to work together.
- There are measures by which the quality of a design of modules and their interaction among them can be measured.
 - These measures are called coupling and cohesion.
- Cohesion: Intra dependability within elements of a module → The greater the better.
- **Coupling**: <u>Inter dependability</u> among modules of a program. → No coupling is the best.

Design Verification



- The output of software design process are:
 - Design documentation,
 - Pseudo codes
 - Detailed logic diagrams
 - Process diagrams, and
 - Detailed description of all functional or non-functional requirements.
- The next phase, which is the implementation of software, depends on all outputs mentioned above.
- It is necessary to **verify the output** before proceeding to the next phase.
 - The early any mistake is detected, the better.
 - Or it might not be detected until testing of the product.
- By structured verification approach, reviewers can detect defects that might be caused by overlooking some conditions.
 - A good design review is important for good software design, accuracy and quality.



Topic #2: UML



- UML → Unified Modeling Language
- Is a standardized modeling language consisting of an integrated set of diagrams, developed to help system and software developers
 - Specifying, visualizing, constructing, and documenting the artifacts of software systems
 - Business modeling and other non-software systems.
- The UML represents a collection of best engineering practices that have proven successful in the modeling of large and complex systems.
- The UML is a very important part of **designing** & developing object-oriented software.
- Uses mostly graphical notations to express the **design of software projects**.
- Benefit → Help project team members to:
 - Communicate
 - Explore potential designs
 - Validate the architectural design of the software.

2. UML **Short History**



 Proposal from OMT (Object Management Group) [1996] → Rational UML Partners Consortium work & collaborations → UML 1.0 [1997].

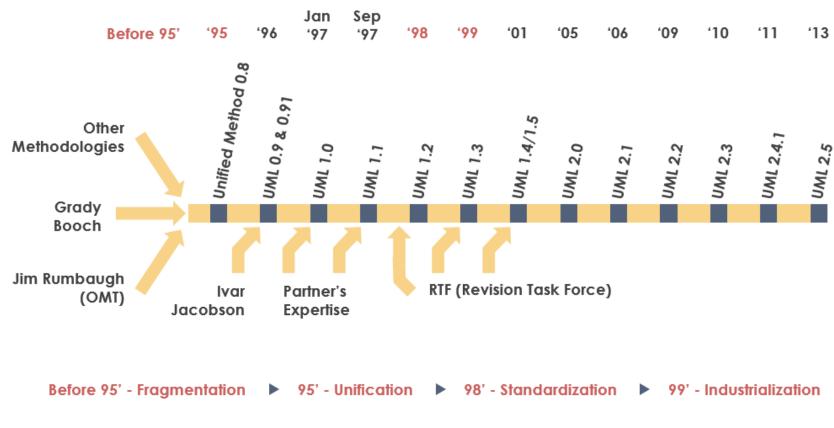


Figure: UML Timeline

Importance



- Provide users with a ready-to-use, <u>expressive visual</u> modeling language so they can develop and <u>exchange</u> meaningful models.
- Provide extensibility and specialization mechanisms to extend the core concepts.
- · Be independent of particular programming languages and development processes.
- Provide a formal basis for understanding the modeling language.
- Encourage the growth of the OO tools market.
- Support higher-level development concepts such as collaborations, frameworks, patterns and components.
- Integrate best practices.

Overview



- The first thing to notice about the UML \rightarrow A lot of different diagrams (models)!
- WHY?? Because software has many different viewpoints:
 - Analysts
 - Designers
 - Coders
 - Testers
 - QA
 - The Customer
 - Technical Authors
- All of these people are interested in different aspects of the system, and each of them require a different level of detail.
 - A coder needs to understand the design of the system and be able to convert the design to a low-level code.
 - A technical writer is interested in the behavior of the system as a whole
- UML attempts to provide a language so expressive that all stakeholders can benefit from at least one UML diagram.

Diagrams



- Again, UML has many diagrams (for many stakeholders of the system).
 - In general, those diagrams divided into **structure** and **behavior** diagram types.

• Strucuture:

- Class Diagram
- Component Diagram
- Deployment Diagram
- Object Diagram
- Package Diagram
- Composite Structure Diagram
- Profile Diagram

• Behavior:

- Use Case Diagram
- Activity Diagram
- State Machine Diagram
- Sequence Diagram
- Communication Diagram
- Interaction Overview Diagram
- Timing Diagram

2. UMLDiagrams



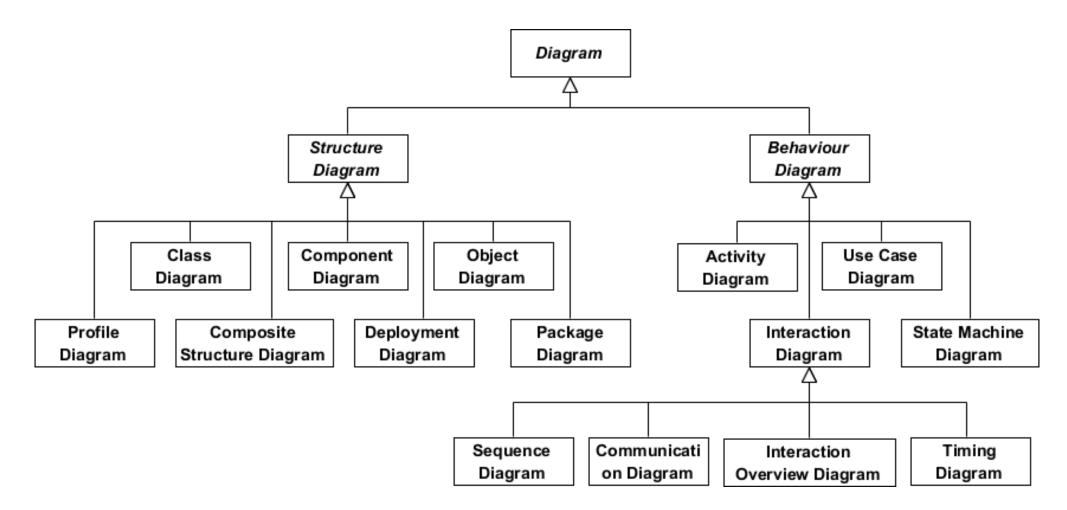


Figure: UML Diagrams

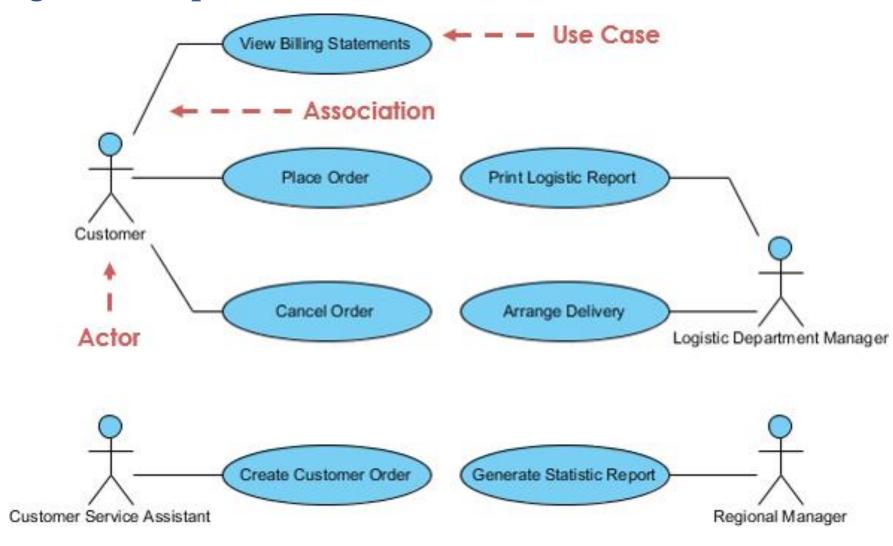
Several Important Diagrams



- Which diagrams should we use?
 - No single answer → UML made to satisfy different point of view.
- At least for a developer, please try to understand at least 3 diagrams:
 - Use Case Diagram
 - Activity Diagram
 - Class Diagram

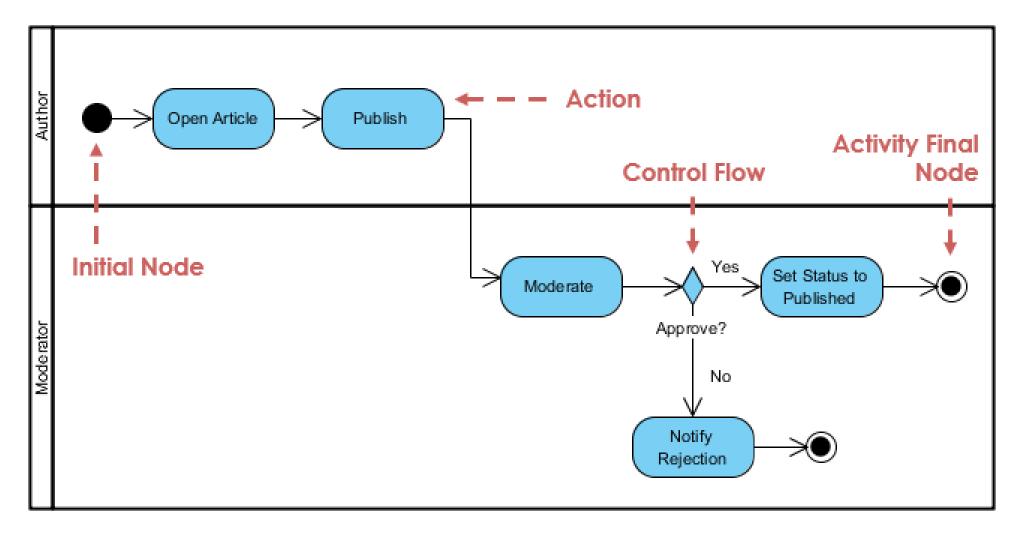
Use Case Diagram Example





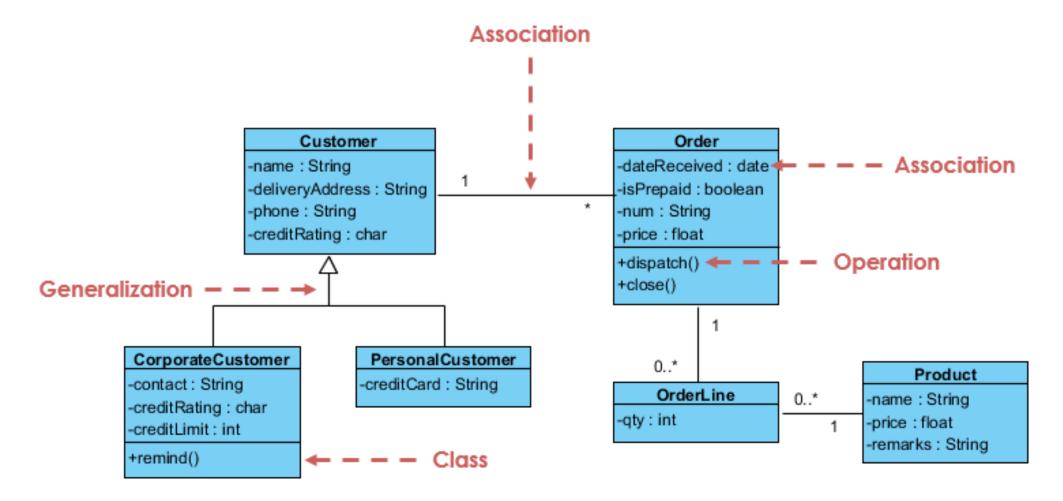
Activity Diagram Example





Class Diagram Example







Topic #3: Use Case Detailing

3. Use Case Detailing



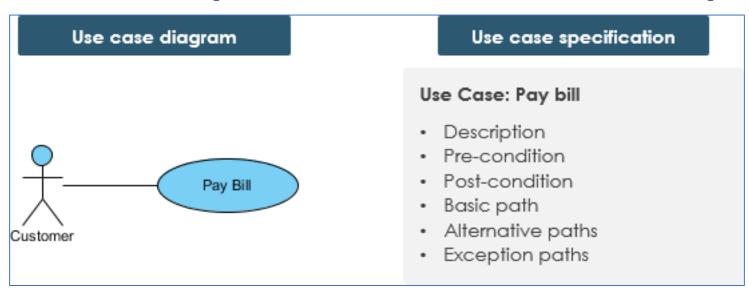
- Use Case is the earliest diagram created after doing textual analysis.
- 1 Use Case \rightarrow 1 Task: an activity that the actor/actor wants to do.
- Use case diagrams are very general so they need to be detailed.
 - Understand clearly what you want to achieve in the use case.
 - In order to facilitate the process of designing the User Interface
 - Avoid missing anything during the implementation process.
- Done by adding to each use case (1 ellipse):
 - 1 Use Case Specifications
 - 1 Activity Diagrams

3. Use Case Detailing

Use Case Specification



- Characteristics of a Use Case:
 - Has only 1 goal
 - Has only 1 endpoint
 - There can be multiple paths from start to finish:
 - Variations of things that can be done to achieve the goal
 - Where each condition requires specific action
- That's why we need to make detailed explanation from each of the use case → Use Case Specification.



3. Use Case Detailing Use Case Specification

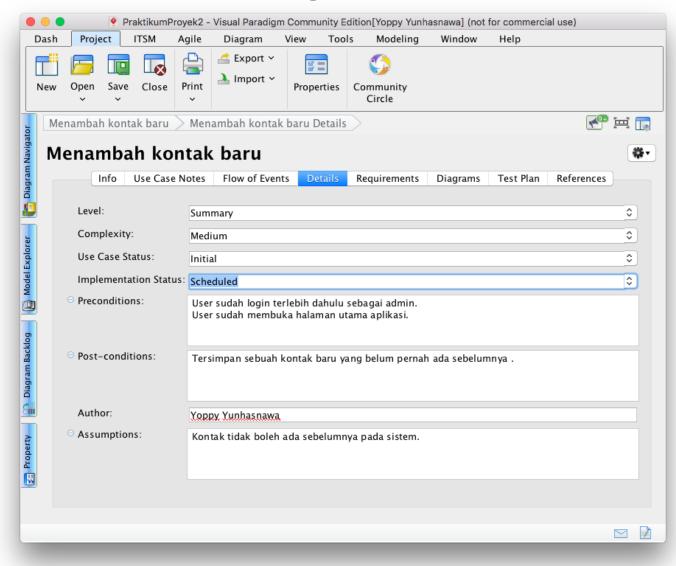


- Is a formal document containing text explaining a use case in detail.
 - Again, 1 ellipse = 1 use case \rightarrow 1 use case specification
- In the form of formatted-text, NOT a diagram.
- Minimally consists of:
 - The title of the Use Case
 - Actor
 - Brief description.
 - Level
 - Priority
 - Implementation status (Agile)
 - Pre-conditions
 - Post-Conditions.

3. Use Case Detailing

Use Case Specification in Visual Paradigm

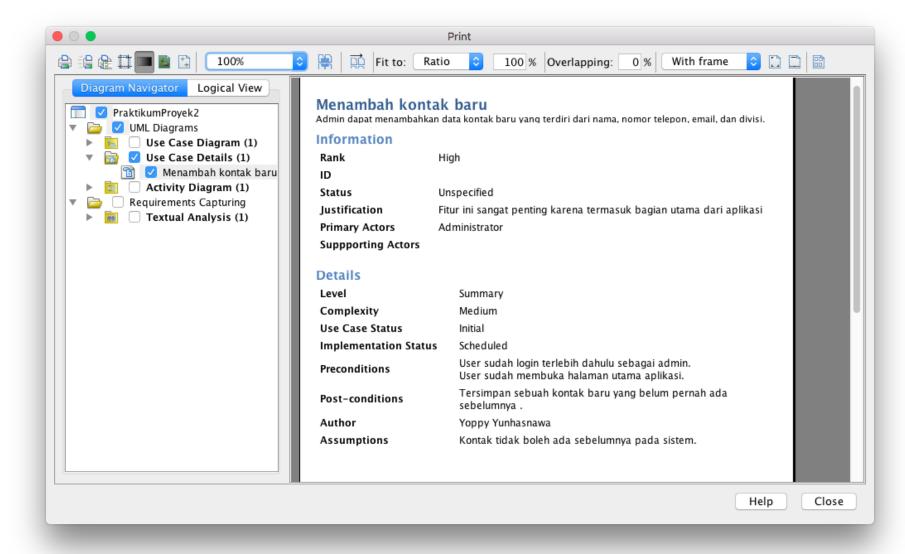




3. Use Case Detailing

Use Case Specification in Visual Paradigm





3. Use Case Detailing **Activity Diagram**

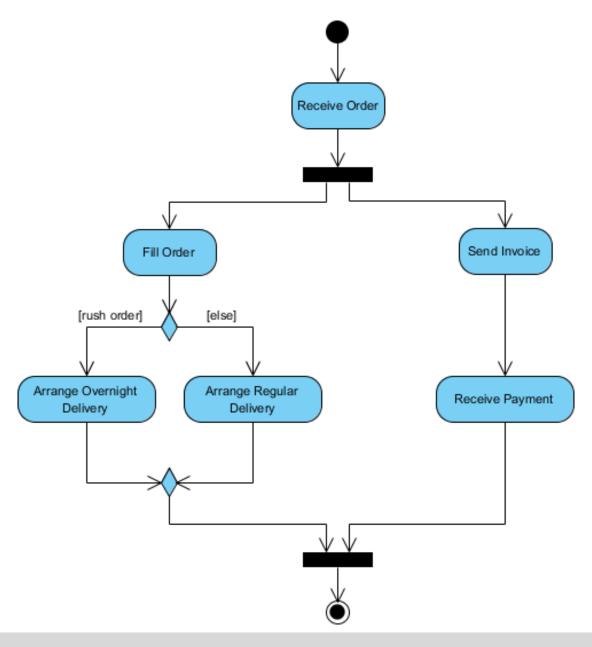


- Is a kind of diagram explaining the steps need to be taken by certain actor in order to achieve certain goal of a use case.
- An activity diagram can show:
 - Concurrency
 - Branching
 - Control Flow
 - Object Flow
- 1 Ellipse = 1 Use Case \rightarrow 1 Use Case Specification + 1 Activity Diagram.
- What is the difference between **activity diagrams** vs **flowcharts**?
 - Activity diagrams represent the flow of activities within a system and depict the workflow/interaction between these various system activities.
 - Flowcharts, on the other hand, represent the sequence of steps in an event, process, or system.

3. Use Case Detailing

Activity Diagram Example





Questions?







Thank You

Task



• Create one Use Case Specification and one Activity diagram for one ellipse of the previous meetings' Use Case Diagram!

• Classroom Code: 6axztdt

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