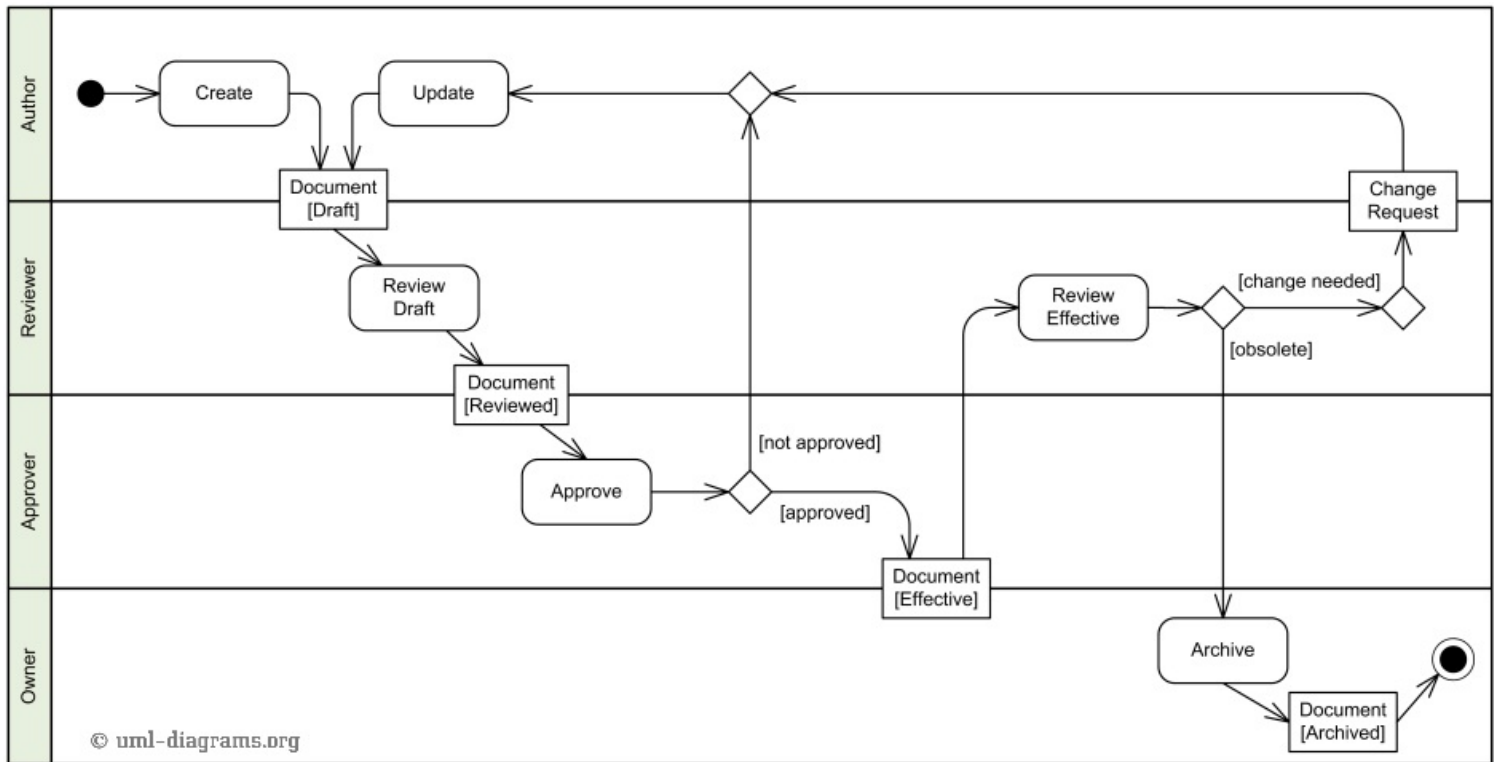


Document Management Process

UML Activity Diagram Example

An example of UML activity diagram describing a **Document Management Process**. Some kind of formal and properly communicated document management process is usually required in any major corporation especially under a regulatory compliance.

A **document** goes through different **state** or stages - it is created, reviewed, updated, approved, and at some point archived. Different roles participating in this process are **Author**, **Reviewer**, **Approver**, and **Owner**. These roles are represented on the diagram by **partitions** rendered as horizontal "swimlanes".



An example of Document Management Process activity.

This activity diagram shows responsibilities of different roles and flow or sequence of document changes. Alternative type of diagram - **state machine diagram** - could also be used in this case to show how document changes its state over time.

Note, that the **Document** object is not the only object node shown on this activity diagram. There is also another object - **Change Request**, an object which is used to pass changes to the document requested by **Reviewer**. State diagram for the Document will only show the document states and transitions, so activity diagram is useful when different roles and several object nodes are involved.

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