

An Introduction to Object Oriented Analysis and Design using UML



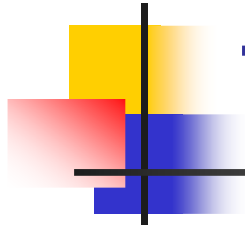
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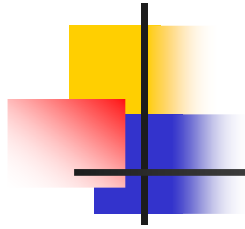
Course Goals & Outline

- Provide an introduction to Object Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD)
 - Concepts
 - Terminology
 - Techniques
- Provide an overview of the Unified Modeling Language
- Show how to apply basic OOAD techniques to a software engineering process



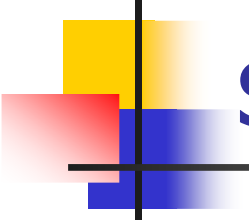
This Course Will Not:

- Make you an expert in OOAD
- Provide instruction on all aspects of the Unified Modeling Language
- Provide a software engineering process
- Turn you into a system architect
- Address OO programming



OOAD Benefits

- Improves team communications by providing a common design language & notation
- Provides a tool set for supporting a software engineering process
- Allows greater participation in the design process



How does OOAD relate to a software engineering process?

- A process tells us who does what and when, OOAD shows us how
- Provides a structure for design artifacts
 - Scope/Vision – Use Case Diagram
 - Conceptual Design - Use Cases
 - Physical Design – Sequence & Class Diagrams
 - Implementation – Deployment/Component Diagrams



OOAD is not new

- Over 200 years old
 - Used in early manufacturing at the turn of the 19th century
 - Enhanced by people like Henry Ford
 - Now perfected in the manufacturing and engineering worlds



OOAD is (relatively) new in software development

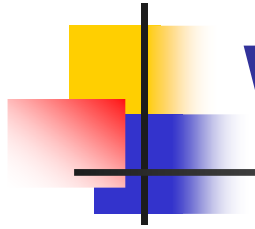
- A brief history of software development:
 - Large, monolithic systems combining data and application
 - Large database with separate logic
 - Modular data and logic



Terminology & Concepts

- Defining the term “object oriented”





What is an Object?

A thing with which we interact

- It does something
and/or
- It knows something

Objects in Our Business World



Files



Competitors



Employees



Assets



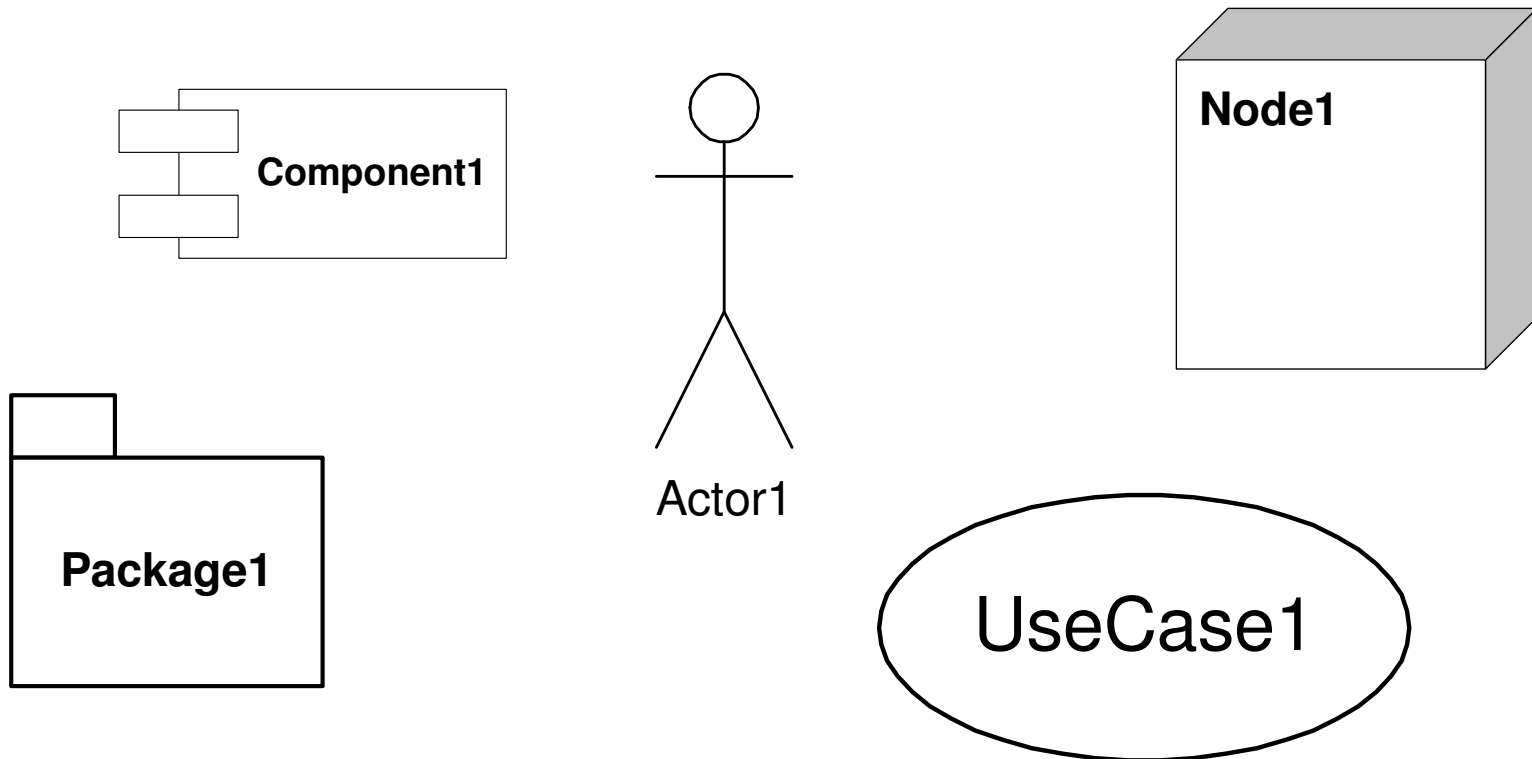
Customers



Systems



Objects in Our System World



My object is not your object

- What you recognize as an object may not be what others recognize as an object.....





The CEO's objects:

Financial System

Marketing Department

Board of Directors

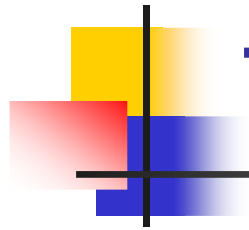
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Stock Holders



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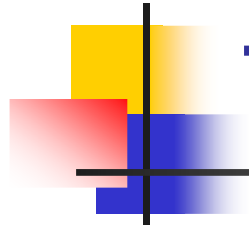
The CFO's objects:

General Ledger

Accounts Receivable

Payroll System

Cash Account



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Payroll System



The Payroll Clerk's objects:

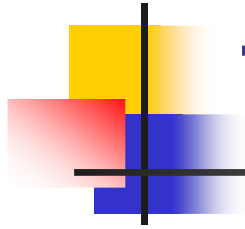
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Employees

Pay Grades

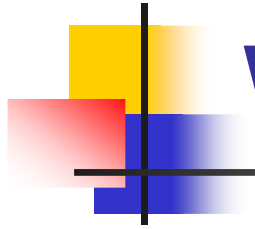
Paychecks

Union Rules



The World View

- Is different depending upon who you are
- Goes from high-level abstractions to low-level realizations:
 - A universe, solar system, Earth, North America, USA, California, Irvine, 123 Main Street, Suite 292, my cubicle, my coffee cup
 - Video rental stores, Blockbuster, Inventory, Action Movies, "Terminator"



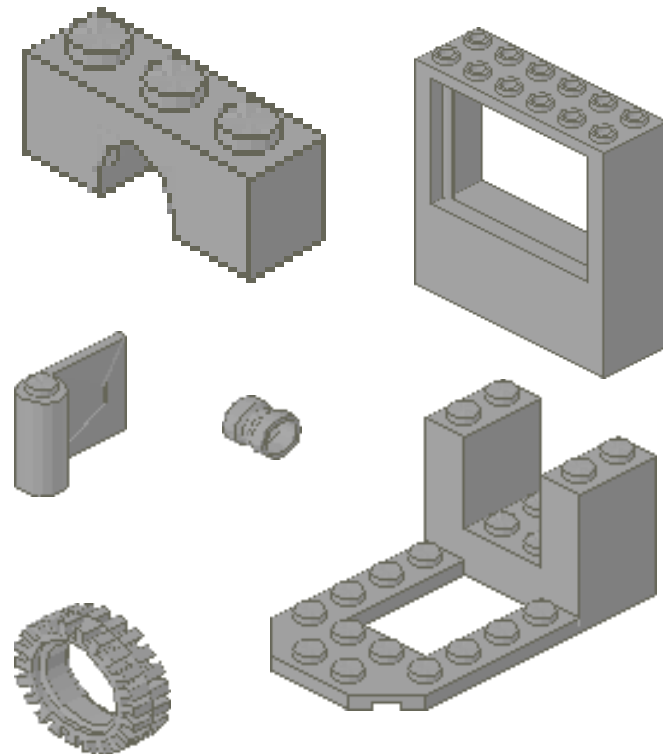
Why do we care?

- We can use objects to describe, or model, the system we are trying to create
 - and in terms that are relevant to the domain
- Objects allow us to decompose a complex system into understandable components
 - and that allow us to build a piece at a time



What is “Object Oriented”?

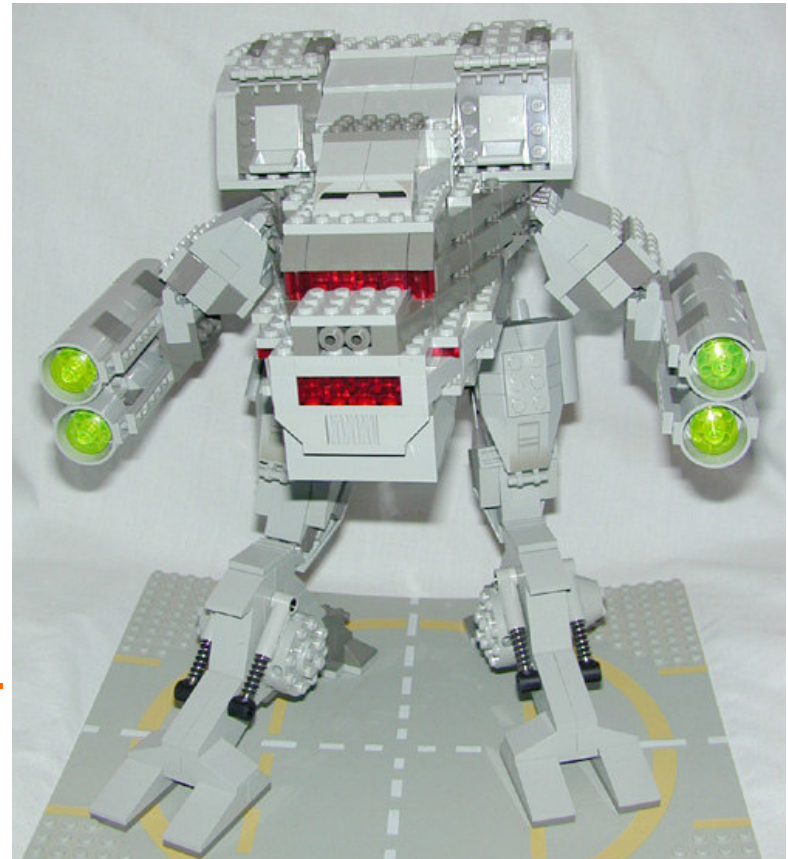
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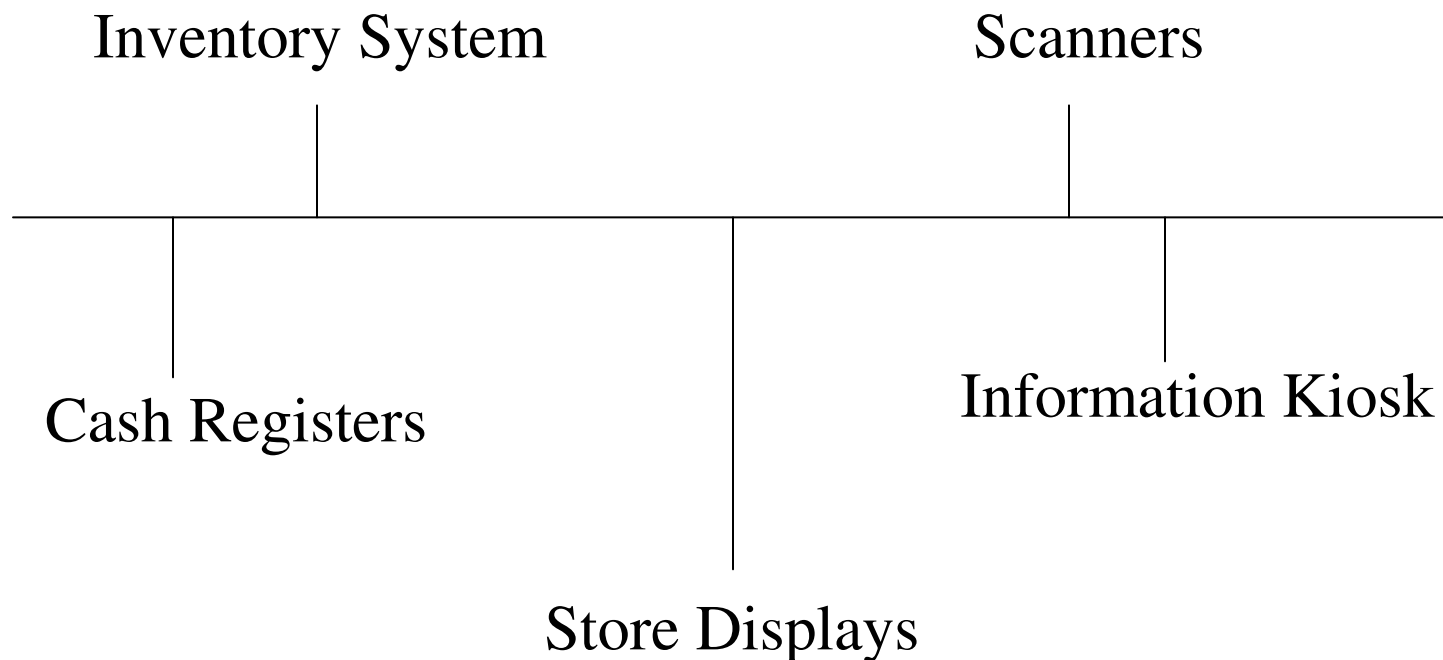
Simple parts; complex whole

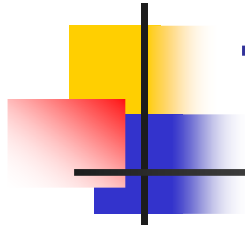




Video Rental Company

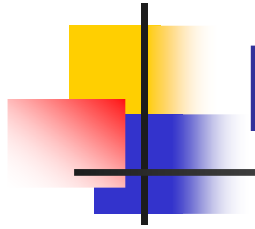
Framework from clerk's perspective





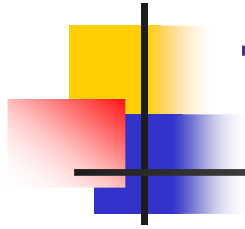
The OOAD Objective

- To identify the relevant objects in the subject domain
- To drill-down to relevant sub-objects
- To discover patterns and relationships
 - so that efficient object groupings can be made providing effective system architectures



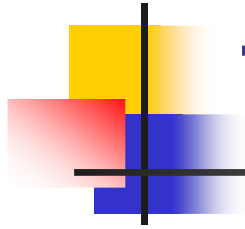
Benefits of Object Technology

- Re-use
 - Shared components
- Stability
 - Interchangeable parts
- Reliability
 - Reduced complexity of individual components
- Integrity
 - Protected data & code
- Iterative Modeling
 - vs. interpretation & recreation



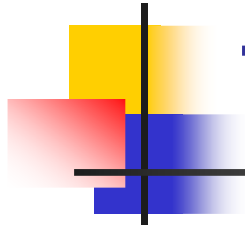
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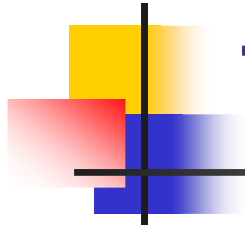
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 - Logic too complex to re-evaluate during a maintenance effort

Have we found the Silver Bullet to Analysis and Design?



Not quite.....

The Dark Side of Object Technology



- New vocabulary and thought process
- Full benefits yet to be realized
- Ease of programming offset by complex design
- Code can still be too complex and poorly designed
- Requirements *still* constantly change



OOAD Concepts & Definitions

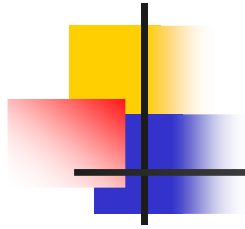
- Objects
- Behaviors & Responsibilities
- Classes
- Instantiation
- Properties



Objects can be many things.....

- Concrete real world things
 - Customers, inventory, invoices
- Conceptual things
 - Sales transaction, order processing

Objects have behaviors and responsibilities



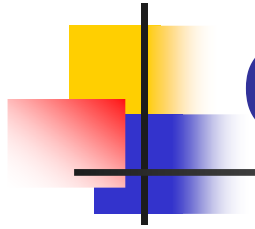
Behaviors & Responsibilities

- Perform actions that have an outcome
 - Tell us about itself
 - Change itself
 - Initiate activities with other objects
- Have defined services
 - Have a “contractual obligation” with published services



Behaviors & Responsibilities Video Tape Object

- Perform actions that have an outcome
 - Will provide description of the movie
 - Will track shelf location
 - Change its status from “rented out” to “over due” to “sold”



Classes – Object Groupings

- Related groupings of objects with common responsibilities and behaviors
- Bob, Ted, and Sally are employees
- USA, England, and Spain are countries
- 112367, 432856, and 883210 are accounts
- Terminator, Star Wars, 2001 are movies

Instantiation

- An object is an instantiation of a class
 - When I hire a new employee "Joan", she is an instantiation of the class "employee"
 - When you instantiate an object, you create an object which is patterned after a specific class
 - Casablanca is an instantiation of the class "movie"
- Class is the mold
 - An object is what comes out of the mold

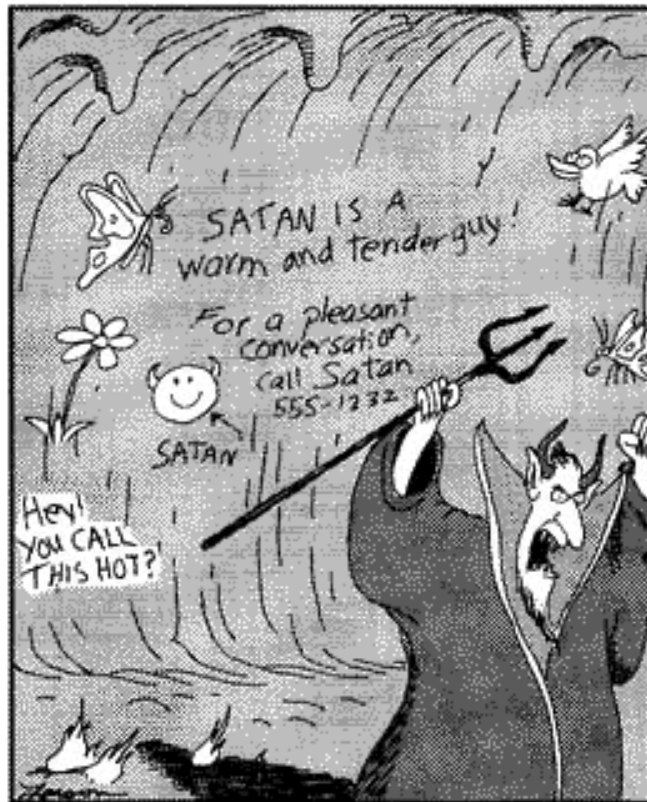




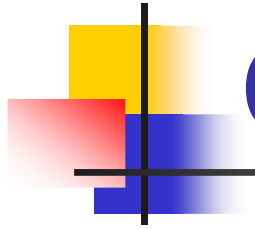
Class Qualities

- High Cohesion
 - The internal relationship of behaviors and knowledge is focused and controlled
 - Reduces code “bloat”
- Low Coupling
 - The dependency between classes is limited and controlled
 - Improves re-usability and maintainability

That's the basics.....but the devil is in the details! Let's talk modeling theory.....



Graffiti in hell

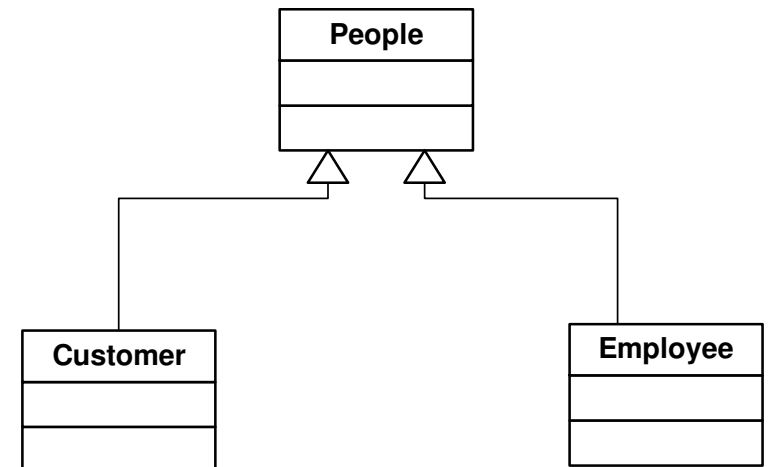


Object Properties - Why

- Allow us to model an object's roles and responsibilities
- Provide us with ways to communicate how objects are related

Communication “shorthand”....

- Employees and Customers are both kinds of people. They do “people” things but also have unique behaviors and responsibilities of their own.



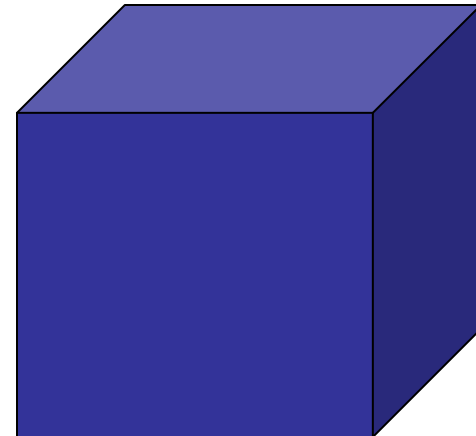


Object Properties - What

- Encapsulation (internal)
- Relations (external)
 - Association
 - Inheritance
 - Abstraction
 - Polymorphism

Object Properties - Encapsulation

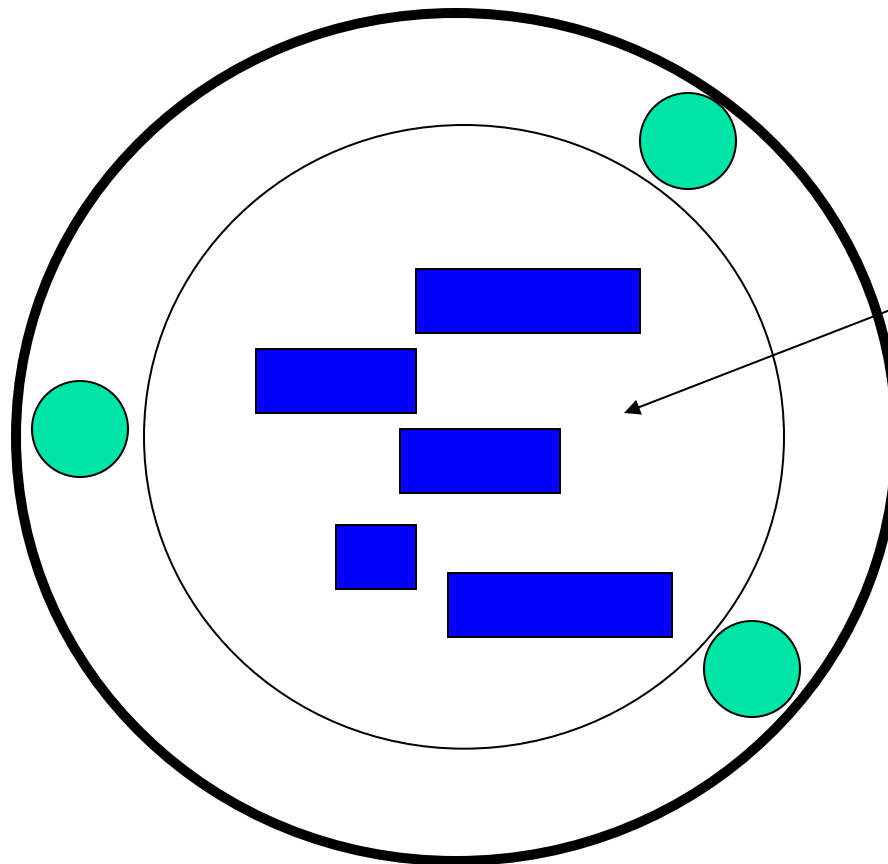
- Objects are “black boxes” to each other
- They tell us:
 - What they know
 - What they will do
- How they do that is up to them!



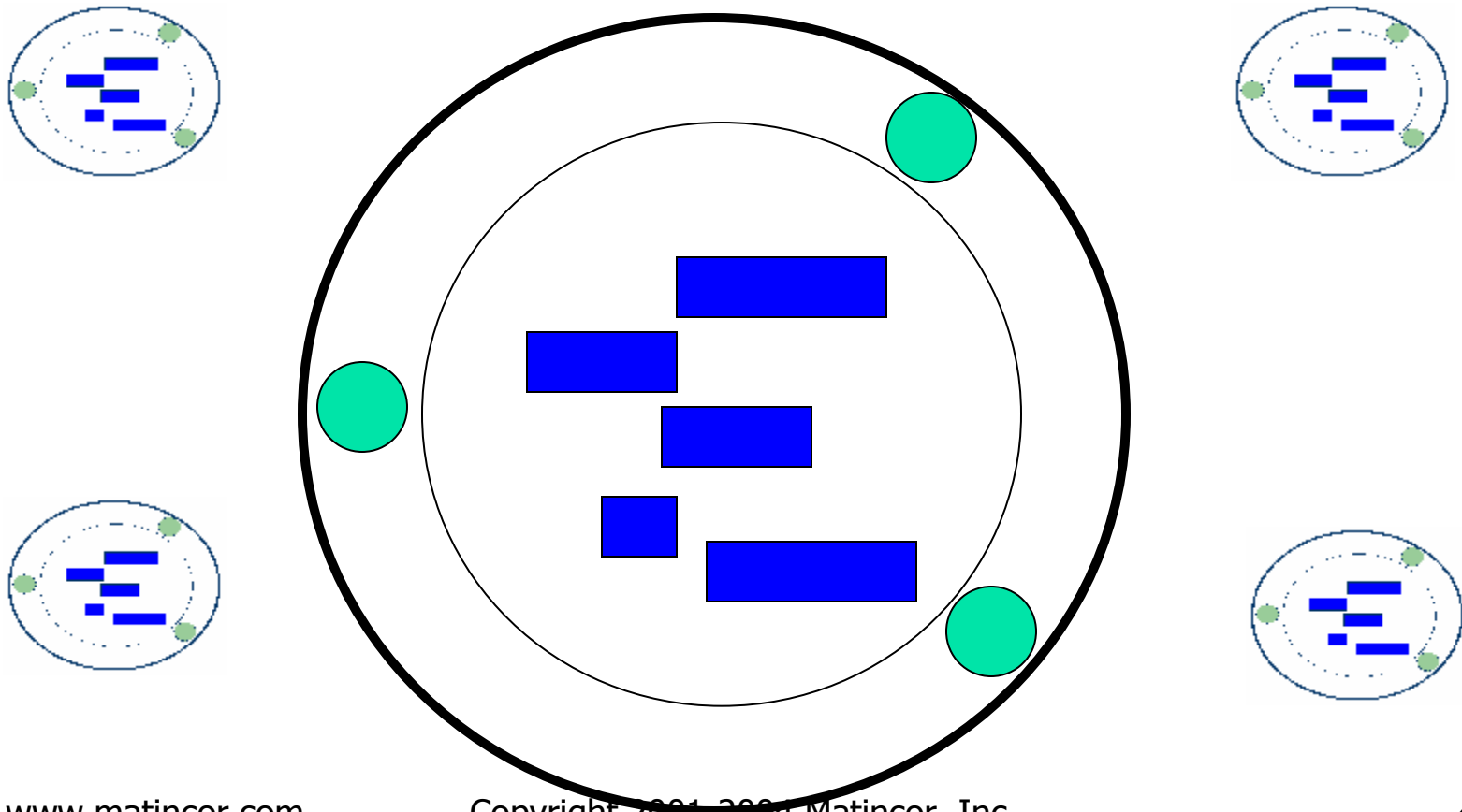
Object Properties - Encapsulation

Programs
(methods)

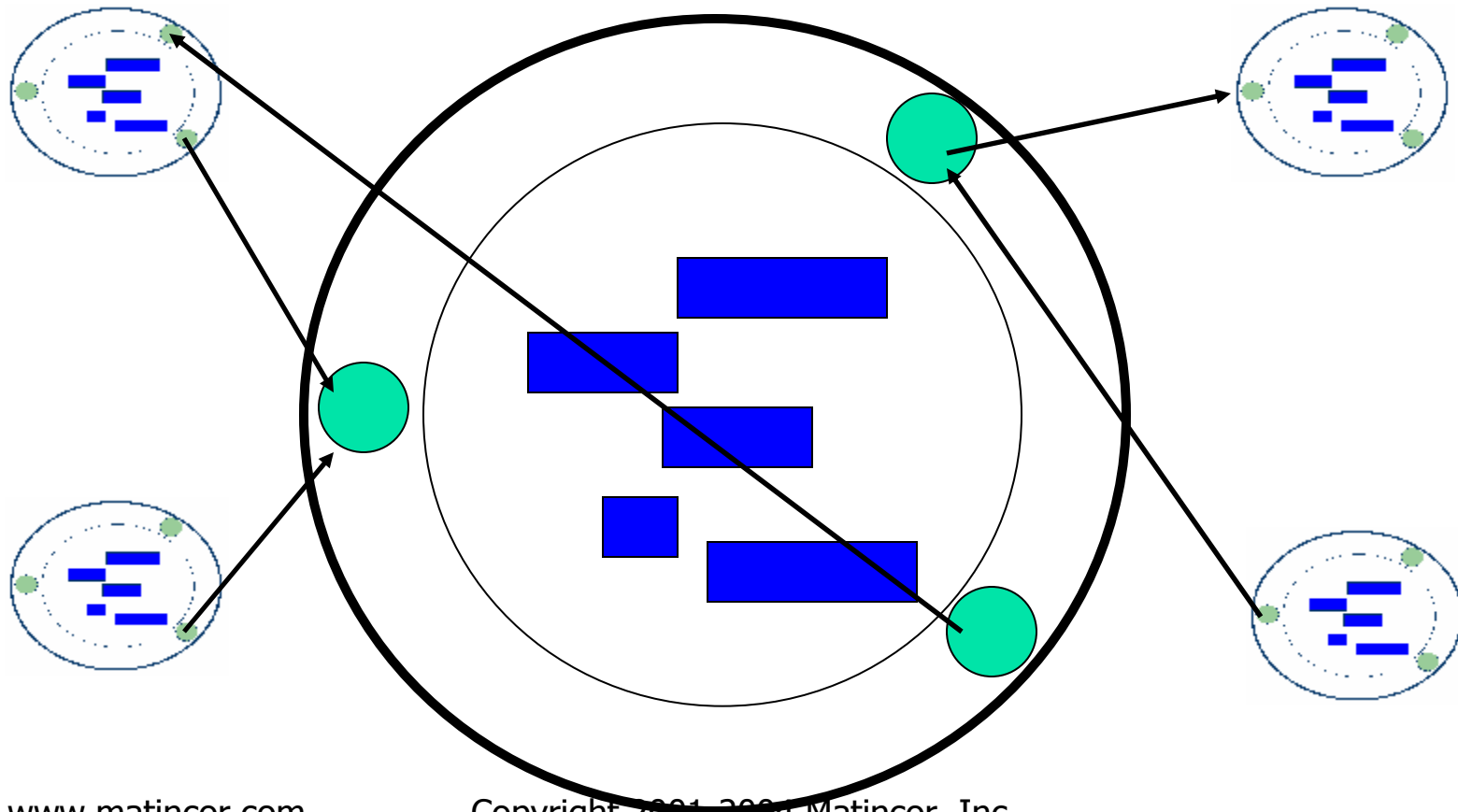
Data
(attributes)

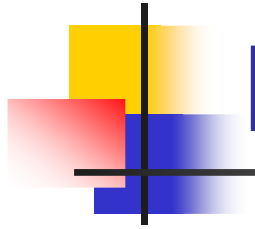


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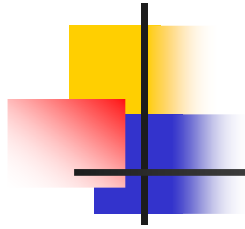
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Encapsulation - Example

- A “person” object includes:
 - Attributes (data)
 - Name, address, birth date, phone number, marital status
 - Methods (programs)
 - Change address, calculate age, modify state (married vs. single), etc.



Encapsulation - Example

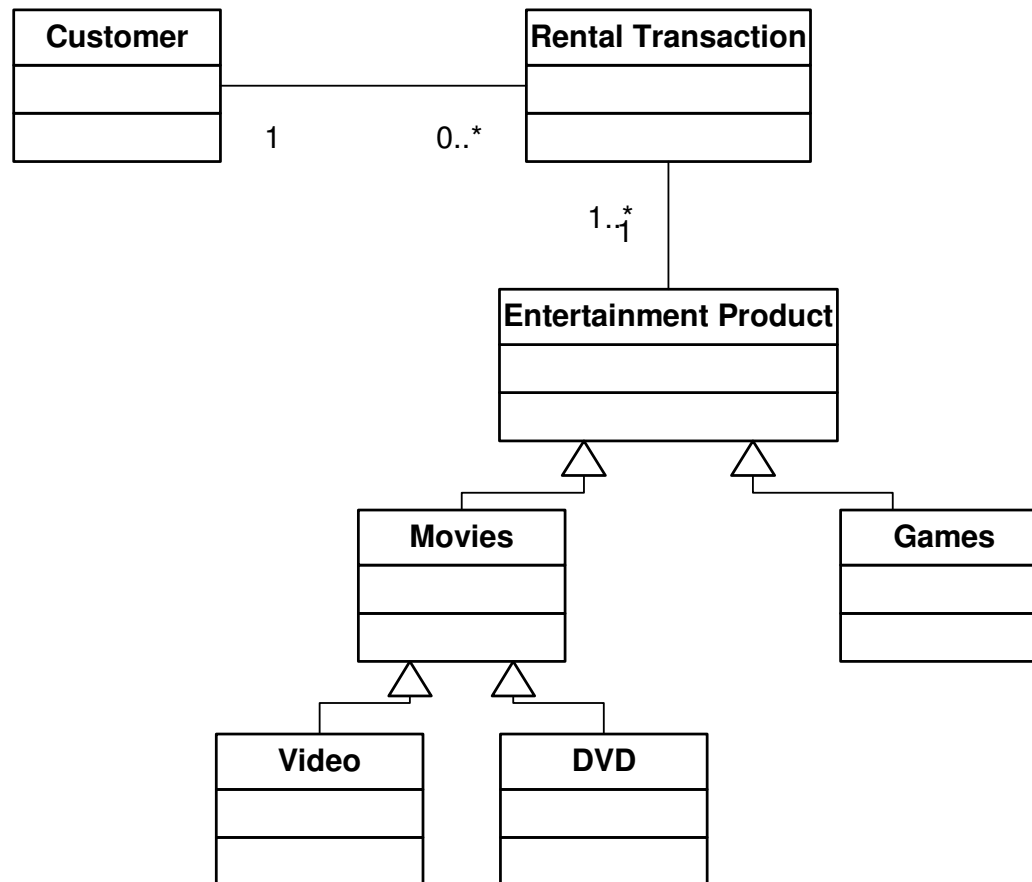
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 - Operations (doorway to methods)
 - A way to access methods (visible functions)
 - Interface
 - Collection of operations which access methods

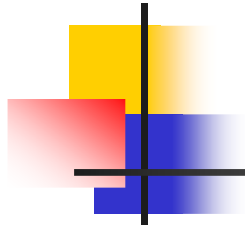


Relations

- When objects interact with each other, they have a relationship
- Systems are defined by objects and their relationships

Relations – Video Store





Object Associations

- Objects can collaborate with other objects
 - person can rent video tapes
- Objects can be closely tied to other objects
 - customer can have multiple accounts
- Objects can combine to form super-object
 - wheels + engine + body = automobile

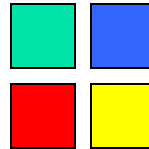


Object Properties - Inheritance

- Allows common operations and attributes to be shared among objects
 - Customer, employee, vendor can all be part of the person class
- Reflects parent / child relationships
 - Rental movie has several types: video, DVD, 8mm, etc.
- Usually denotes an “is a” relationship

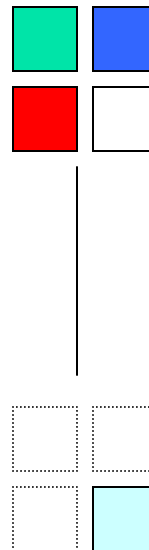


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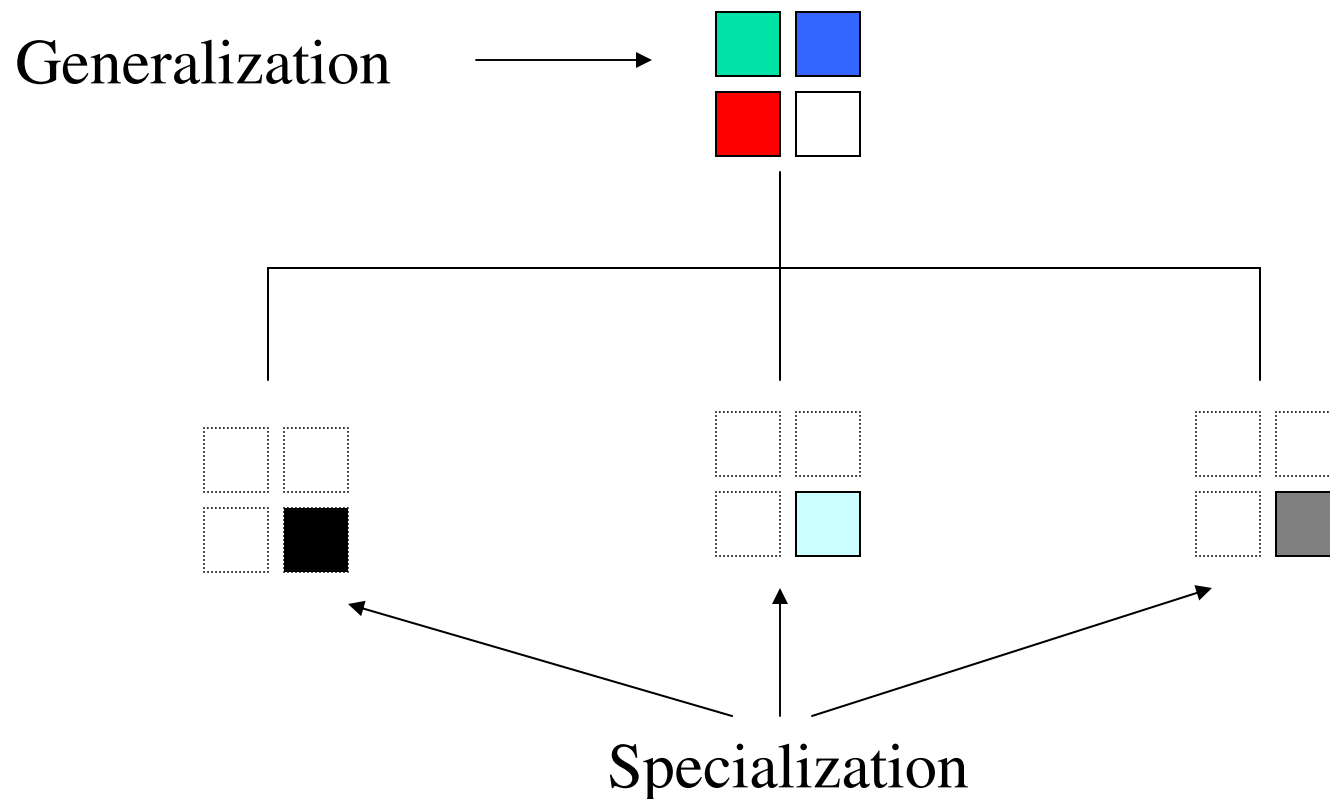


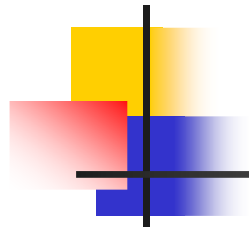


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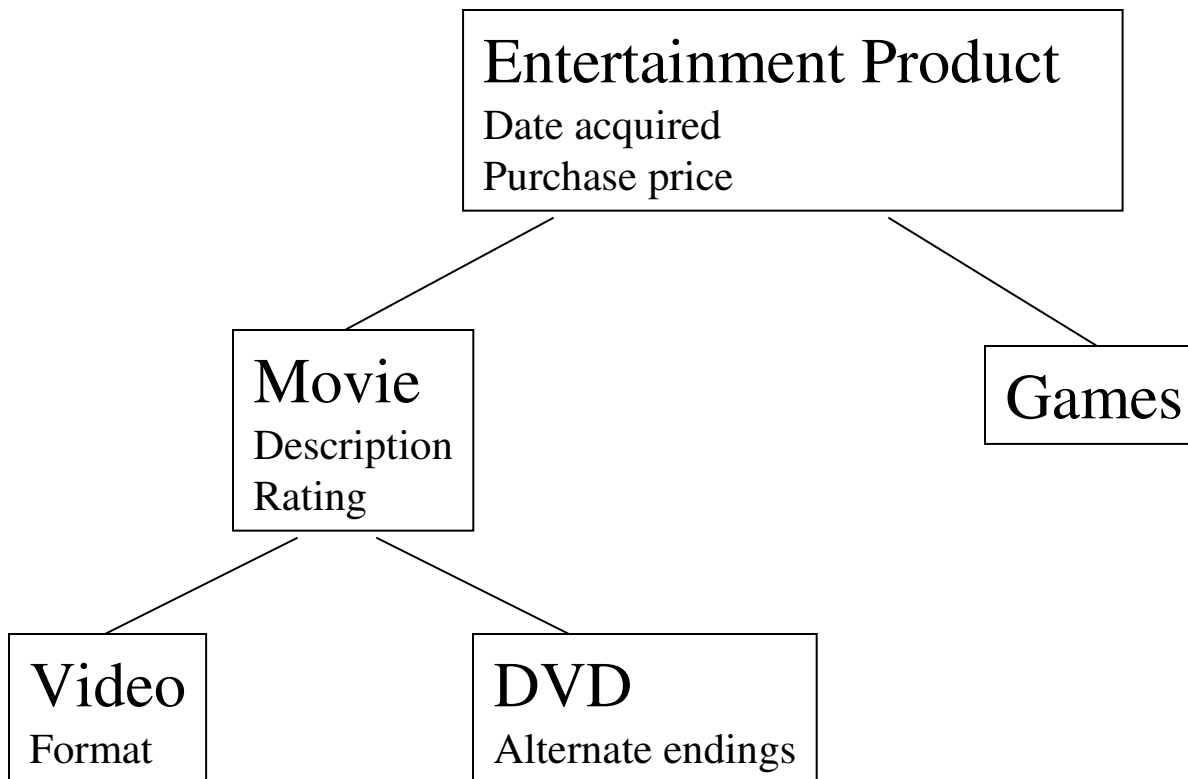


Object Properties – Inheritance





Inheritance – Video Store





Inheritance Terms

- Specialization → Generalization
- Child → Parent
- Leaf → Root
- Class → Super-class



Inheritance - Example

- Generalization for “person” as previously shown.
- Specialization for “employee” type person.
 - Uses same Attributes and Operations but adds:
 - Hire date, salary, security clearance
- Allows us to add new specialized “person” type without re-inventing the entire wheel!



Object Properties - Abstraction

- A “super” generalization
 - Object > class > super-class > abstract class
 - Ted > employee > person > entity
- A class template
 - A class with no instantiated objects of its own
 - A class with no operations or attributes of its own
 - A class that declares what operations or attributes must be supported by sub-classes
 - Yet does not define how those operations are carried out or what the attributes are



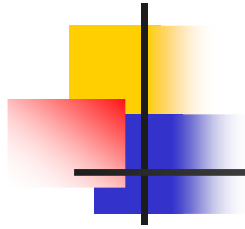
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 - For “alien”, location is planet and galaxy name

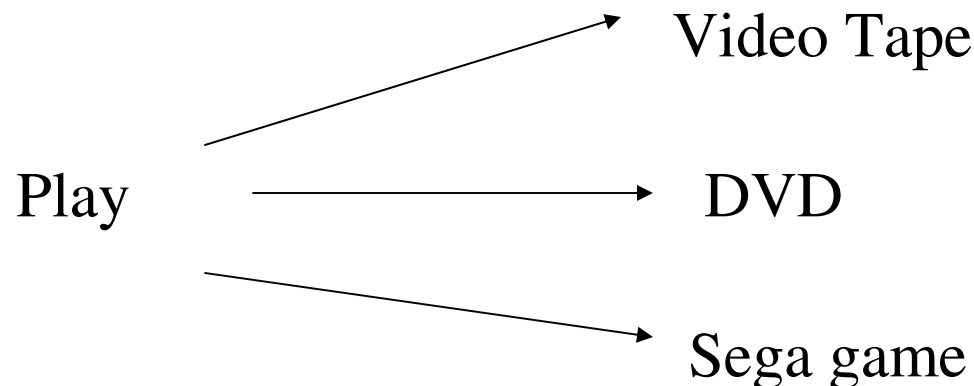


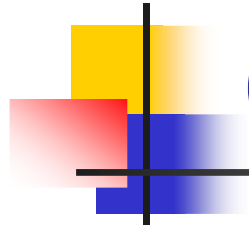
Benefit of Abstraction

- Allows us to define an interface
 - for interacting with objects which are outside our system
- Allows us to define a flexible system
 - for extending our system in ways which we do not yet know about

Object Properties - Polymorphism

- The other side of the “abstract” property
 - Describes how an object experiences being a subset of an abstract class
- Receive same message - implement differently





Object Properties Review

- Encapsulation
- Association
- Inheritance
- Abstraction
- Polymorphism



Remember the OOAD Objective

- Identify the relevant objects in the problem domain that we are addressing
- Drill-down to the appropriate level of detail to discover relevant sub-objects
- Discover *patterns and relationships* so that efficient object groupings can be made providing effective system architectures
- *Dissect the domain, build the system*

That's all fine and dandy but.....

- How do we use that information to translate our requirements into a system model?
- How do we physically represent that model?





The Unified Modeling Language



“A general purpose visual modeling language that is used to specify, construct, and document the artifacts of a software system.”

-from [The Unified Modeling Language Reference Manual](#) by Rumbaugh, Jacobson, and Booch

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Visual Modeling

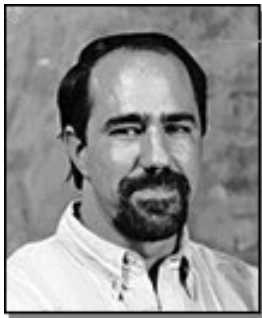
- Provides a method and standard notation for modeling
- Graphically oriented rather than text oriented
- Focus on conceptualization and abstraction
- Model evolves during project lifecycle

Visualize behavior rather than
low-level constructs

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Background

- Mostly Booch, Jacobson, and Rumbaugh
- UML evolved from their earlier works
- Now controlled by the Object Management Group (OMG)
- Variations and extensions exist



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UML Version 2.0

- Approved by OMG in 2003
- Released May 2004
- Provides additional notation and models
- Enhances UML for use in code generation
 - supports Model Driven Architecture
- Most changes are “behind the scenes” to casual users

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UML as a tool

- Whiteboard artifact
- Blueprints for architects
- Detailed design for code generation

- Use UML as it makes sense for the purpose at hand!



Views of the World

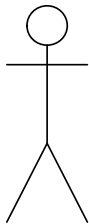
- Use Case Model
- Static Models
- Interaction Models

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Use Case Diagram

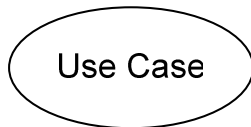
- Initial system model
- Provides a graphical representation of services the system will provide
- Helps to establish project boundaries
- Used during the inception phase of the project

Use Case Diagram - components



Actor1

Actor: Person, system, clock

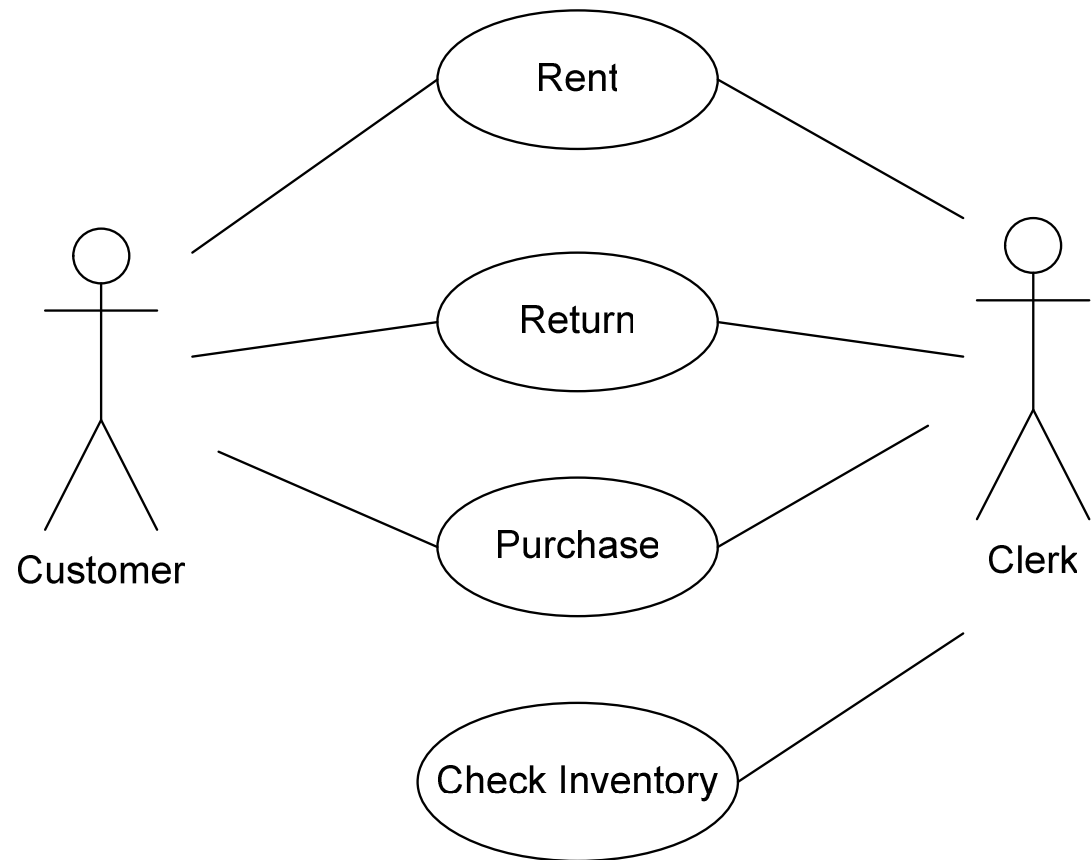
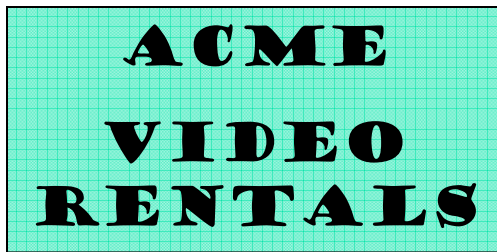


Use Case: A function of value for the Actor

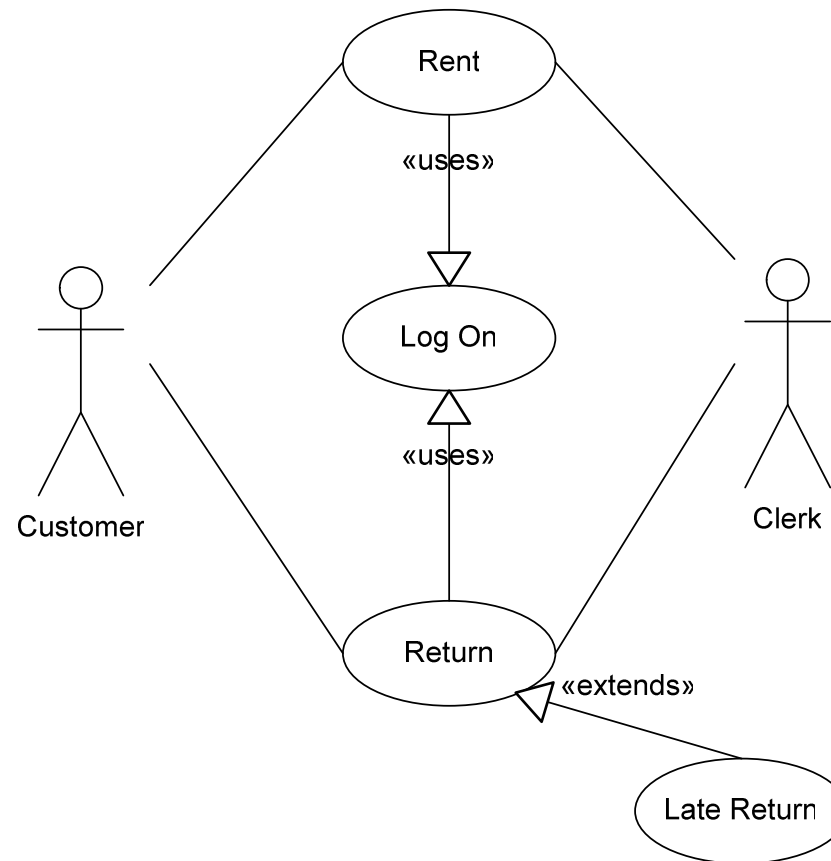


Communication: Link between Actor and Use Case

Use Case Diagram Example



Use Case Diagram Example



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Use Cases

- “Flesh Out” the Use Cases identified in the Use Case Diagram
- Introduced in the elaboration/discovery phase of the project
- Represent the function as experienced by the “actor”
- Use Cases are text based
 - Have defined content
 - May have a defined context (templates)

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Static Models

- Represent view of the system as a snapshot-in-time
- Show the structure of the system

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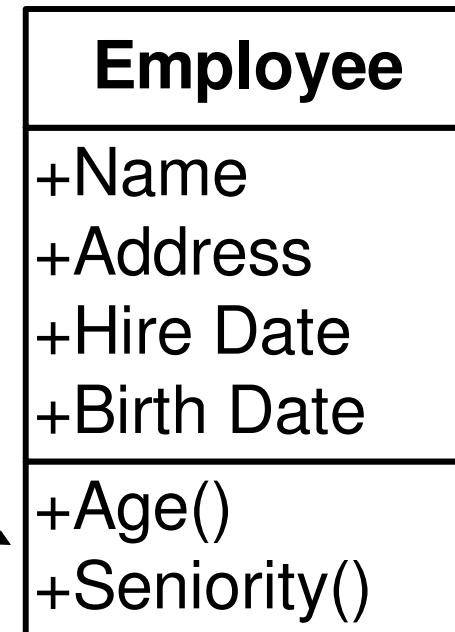
Static Models

- Represent view of the system as a snapshot-in-time
- Show the structure of the system
- Class
- Object
- Package
- Component
- Deployment

Class

- An individual class has:
 - Name
 - Attributes
 - Methods

- There are also advanced features:
 - Tags (meta-data)
 - Visibility notations
 - + public, # protected, - private

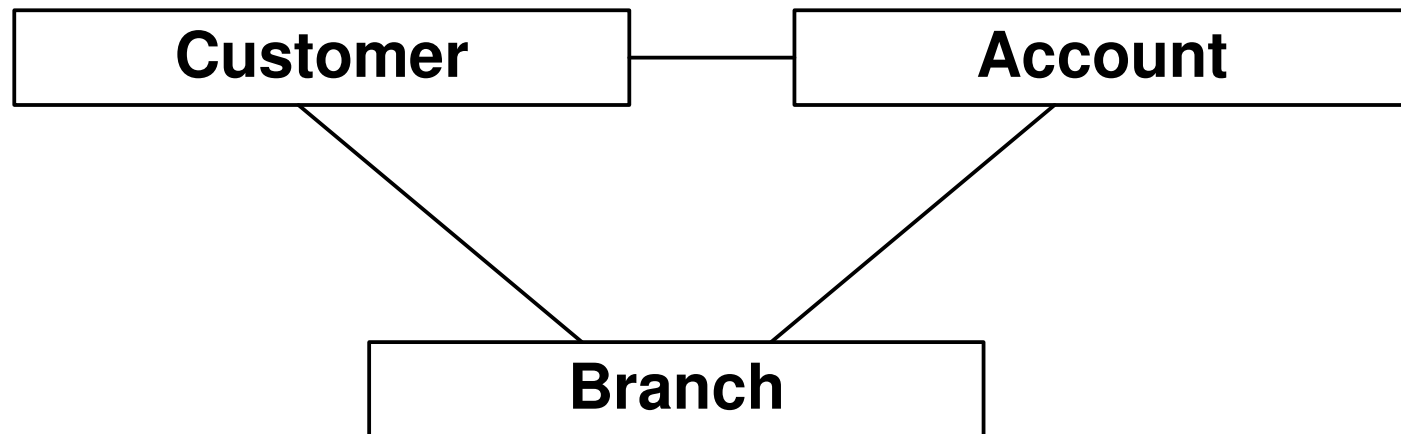


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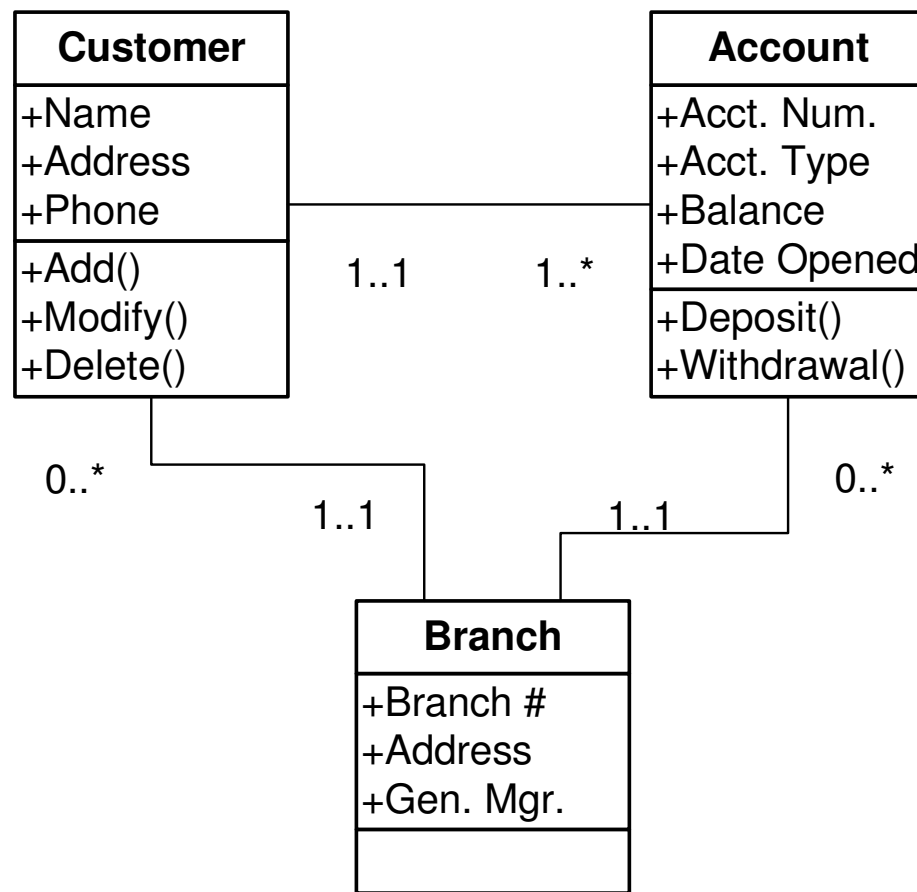
Class Diagram

- Shows relationship between classes
- The most common object model
- Can be shown at various levels of abstraction
- Introduced in the elaboration/discovery phase
 - After Use Cases
 - Continued use through design and construction phases

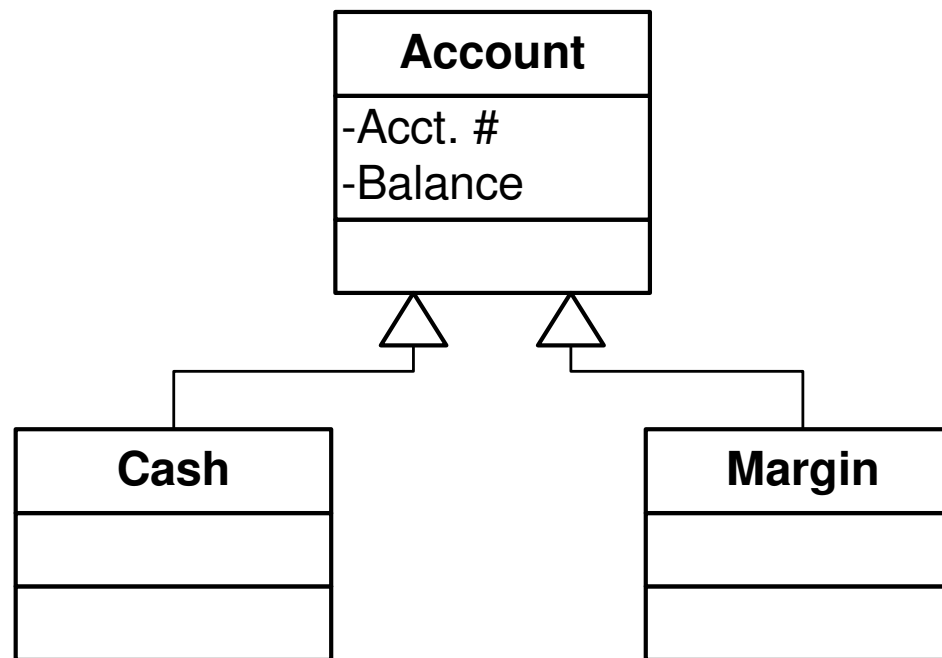
Class Diagram – Basic Level



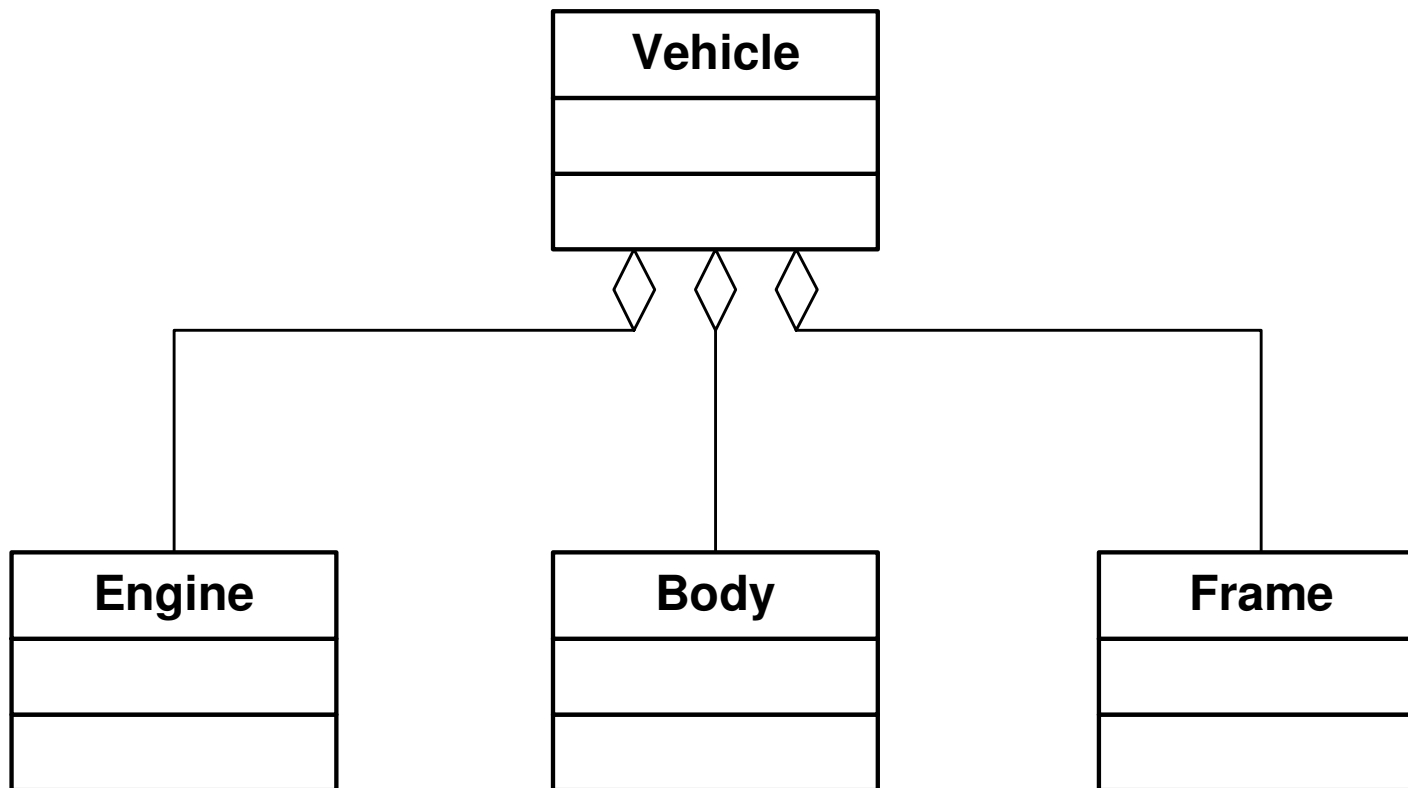
Class Diagram with Detail



Class Diagram w/ Generalization



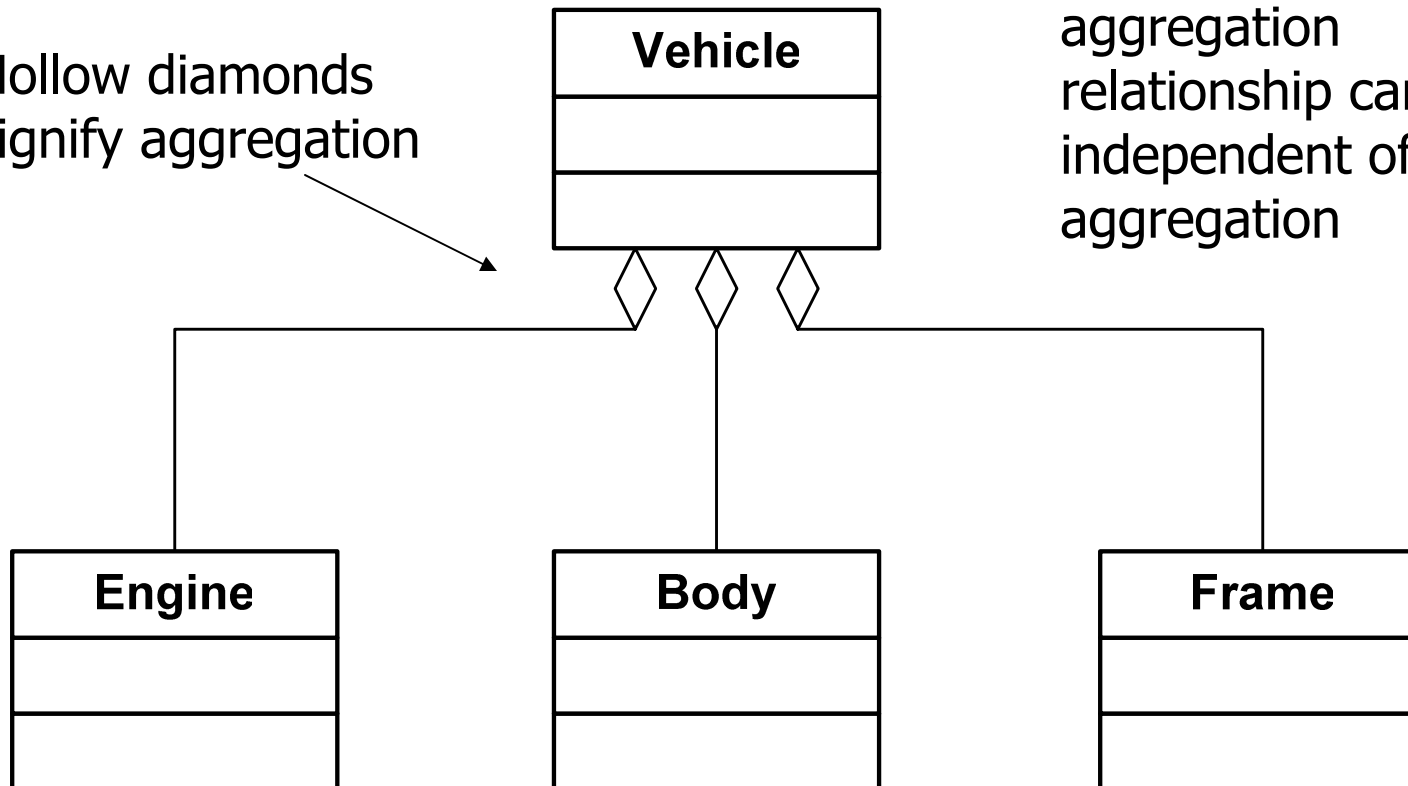
Class Diagram w/ Aggregation



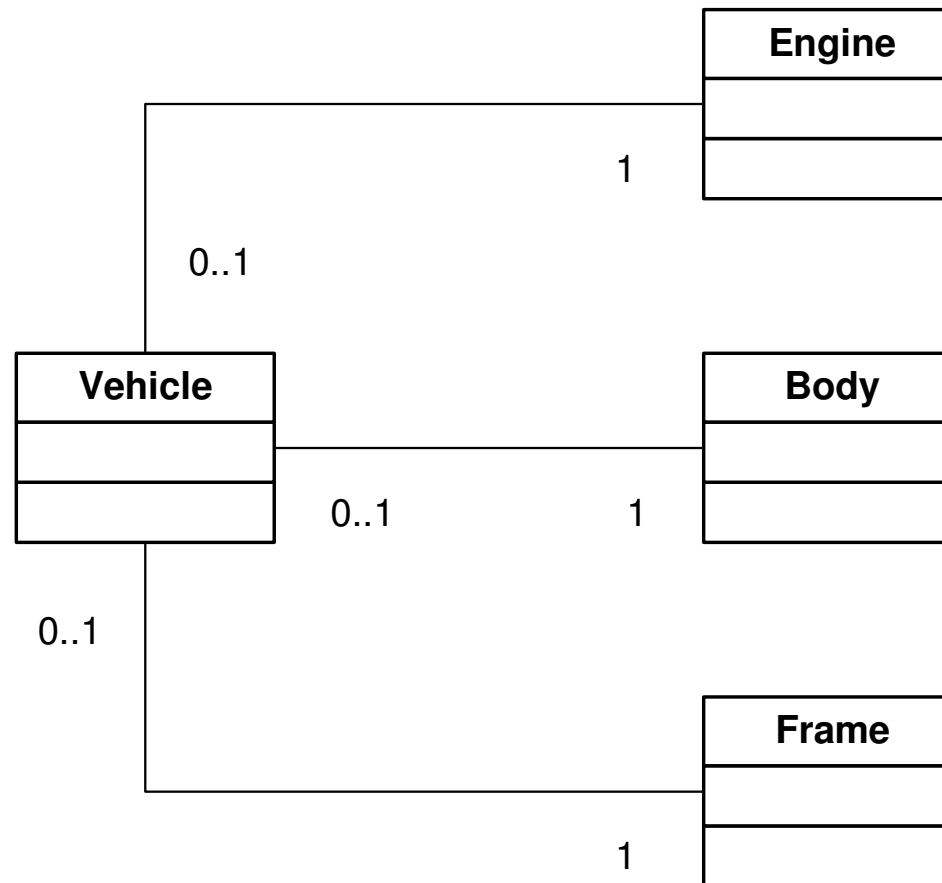
Class Diagram w/ Aggregation

Hollow diamonds
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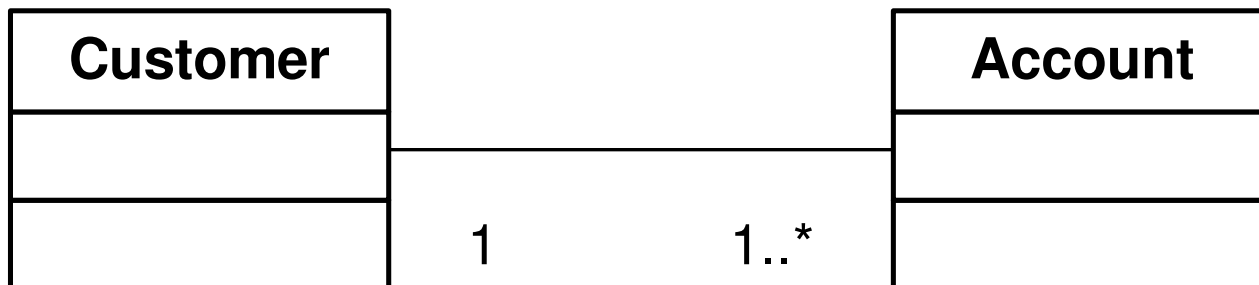
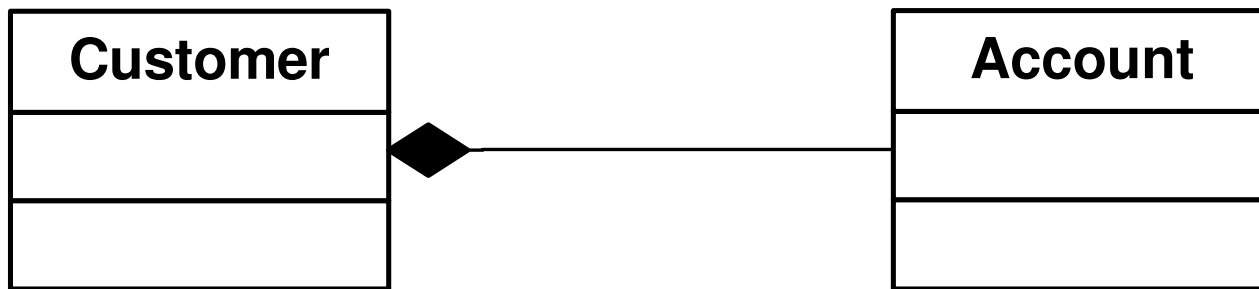
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Aggregation – another way

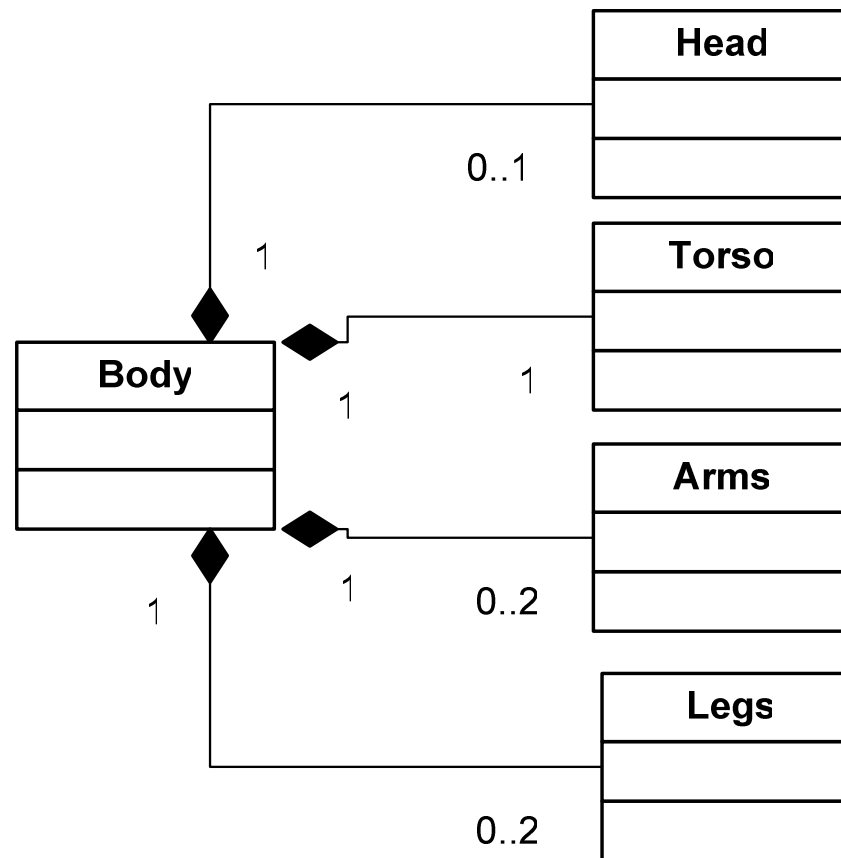


Class Diagram w/ Composition



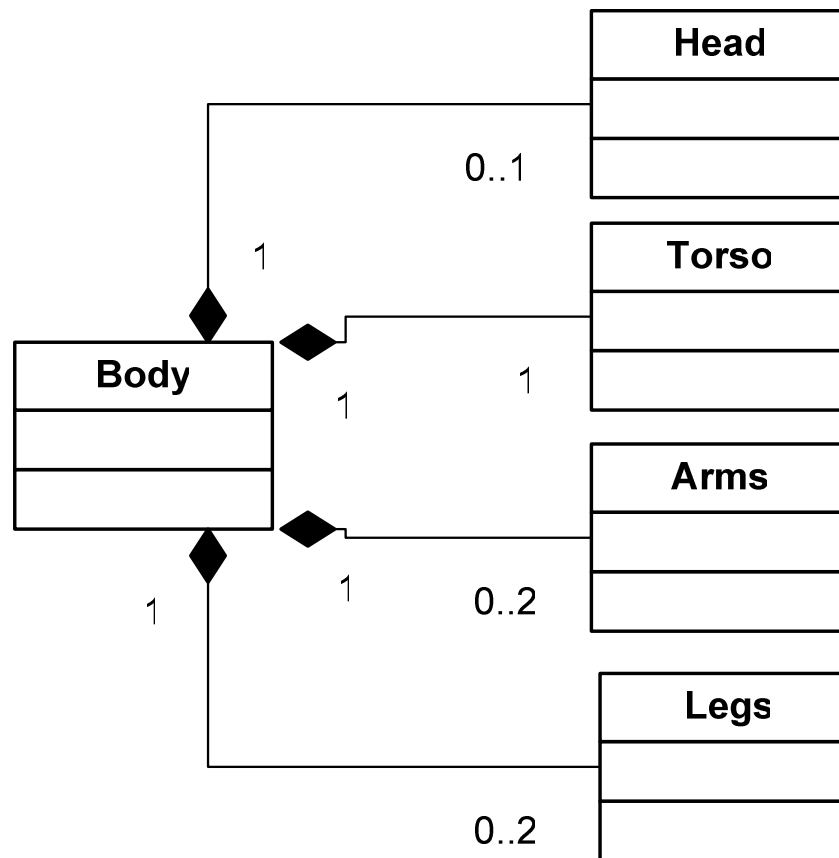


Composition - Example



Composition - Example

Solid diamonds indicates composition



Components of the composition relationship can not exist independent of the composition



Object Diagram

- Looks like a class diagram except:
 - Demonstrates instantiated classes
 - Shows relationship between specific objects instead of classes
 - Used to give example of how a system will look under specific circumstances
 - Noted by object: class notation
 - Fred: student
 - 536390247: SSN

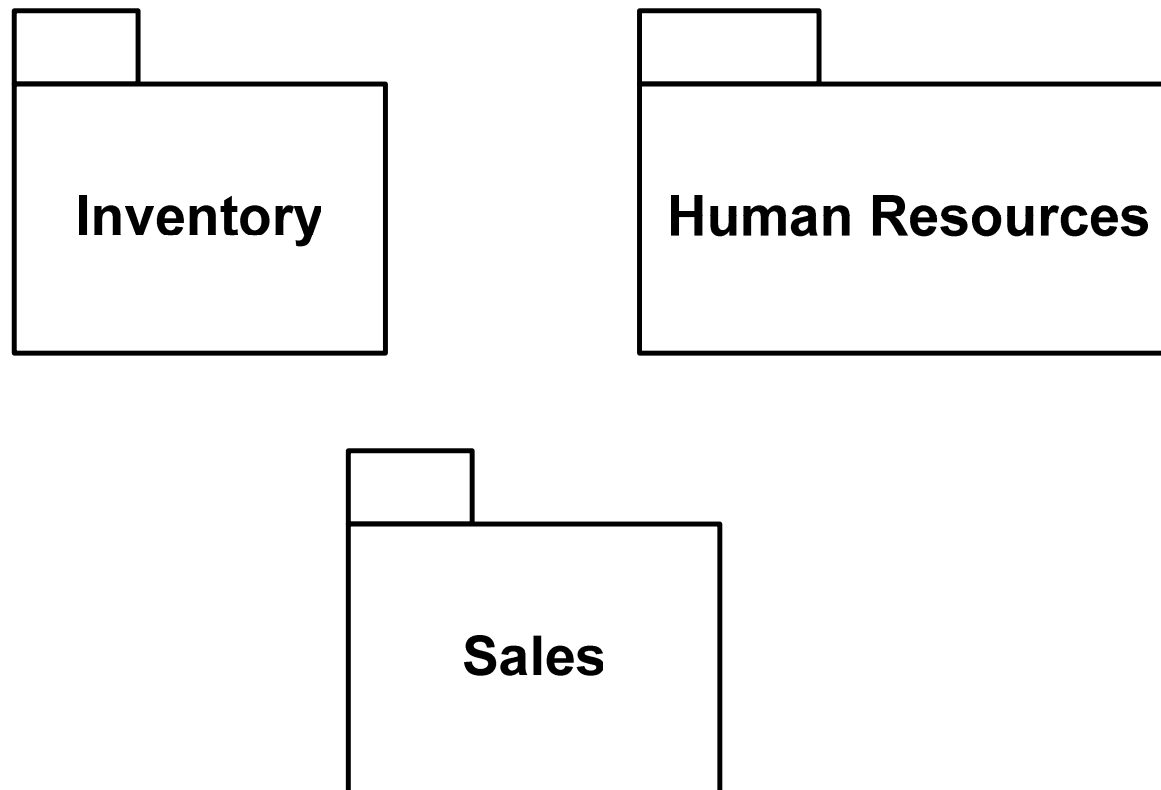
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Package

- A flexible model used to combine elements to:
 - Represent a modular view of the system
 - Allow for general abstraction
- Can be used to combine:
 - Classes
 - Components
 - Nodes
 - Or any other UML construct



Package Diagram

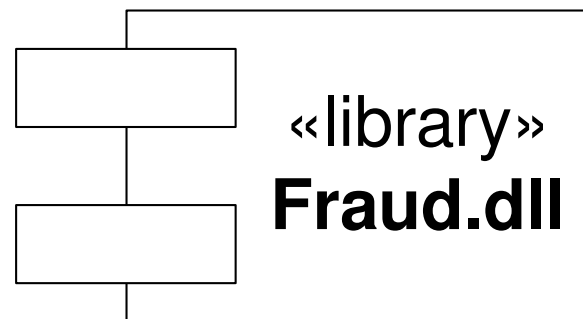
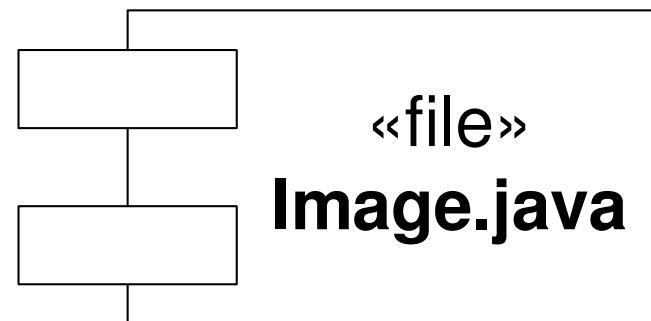
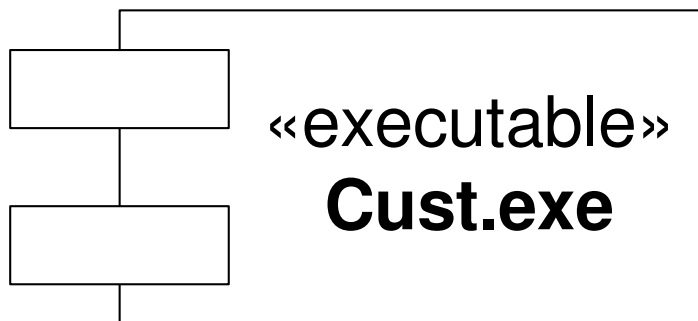


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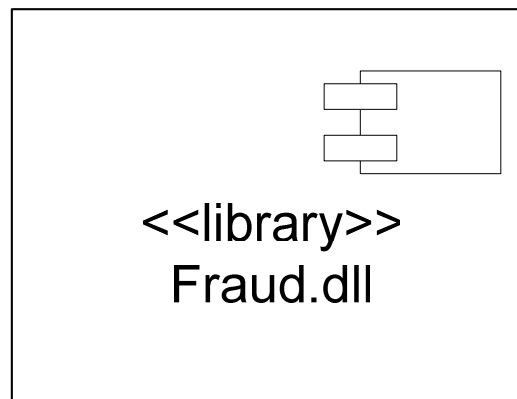
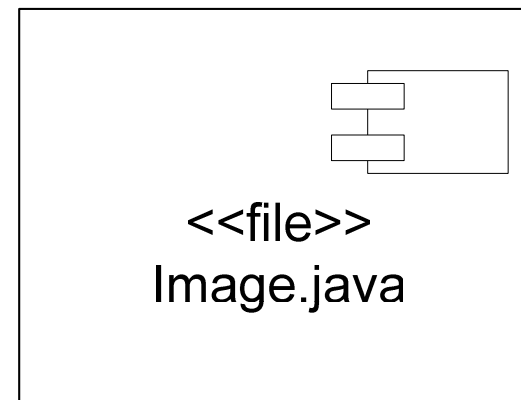
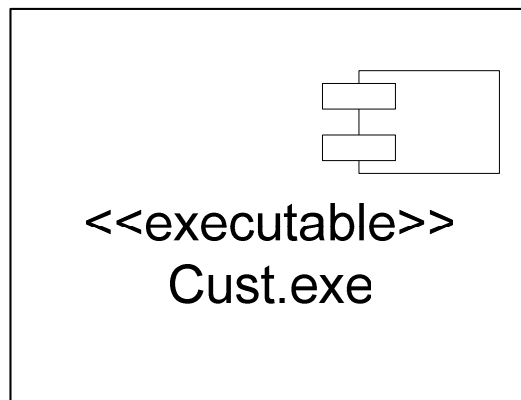
Components

- Physical manifestation of software
- Contain code, database files, etc.
- Usually contain multiple classes
- Low coupling between components
- Often “pluggable” – replaceable by other components

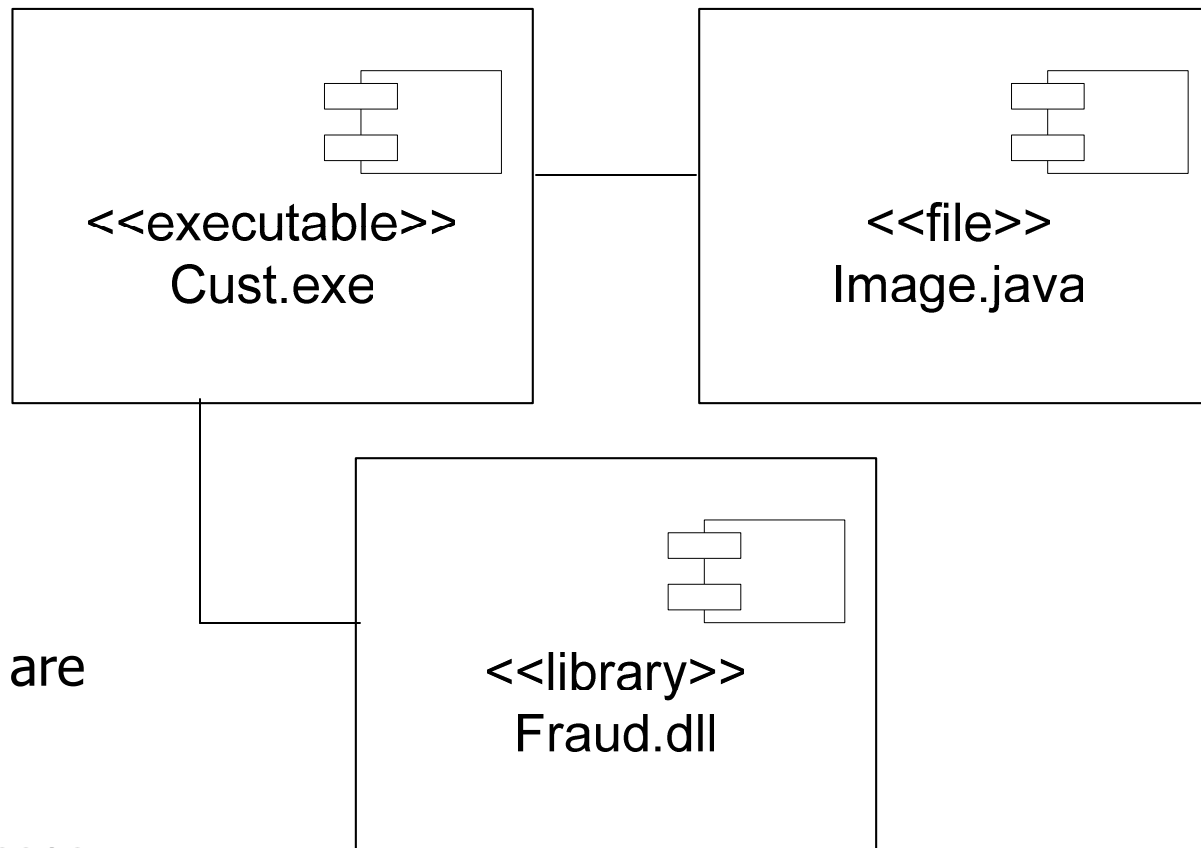
Component Diagram – Prior UML versions



Component Diagram – UML version 2



Component Diagram – UML version 2



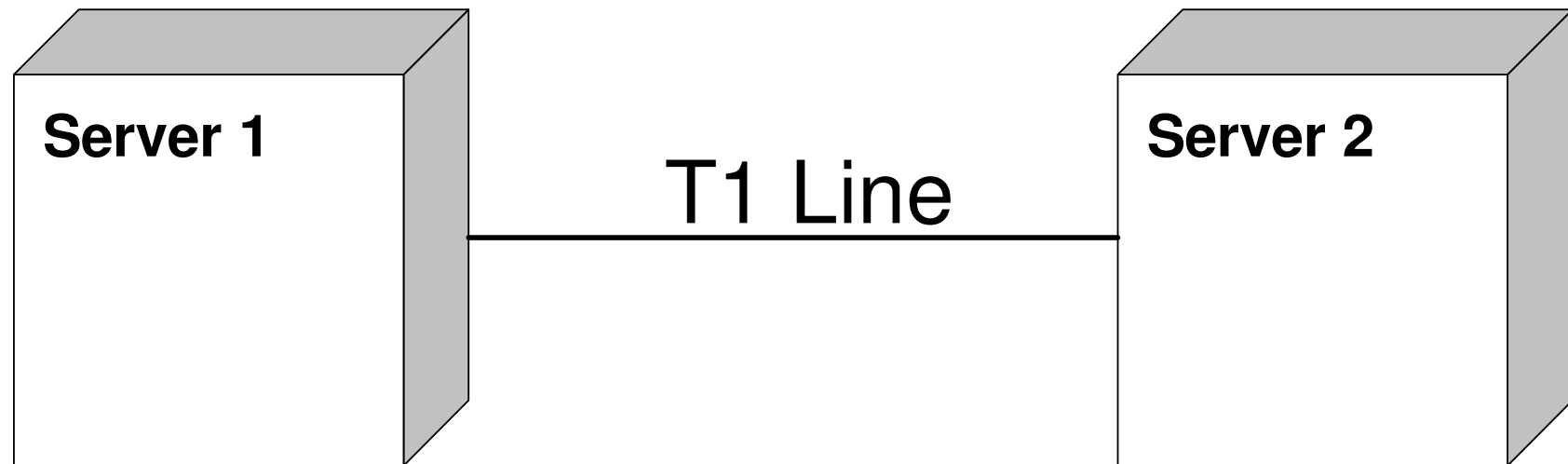
Associations
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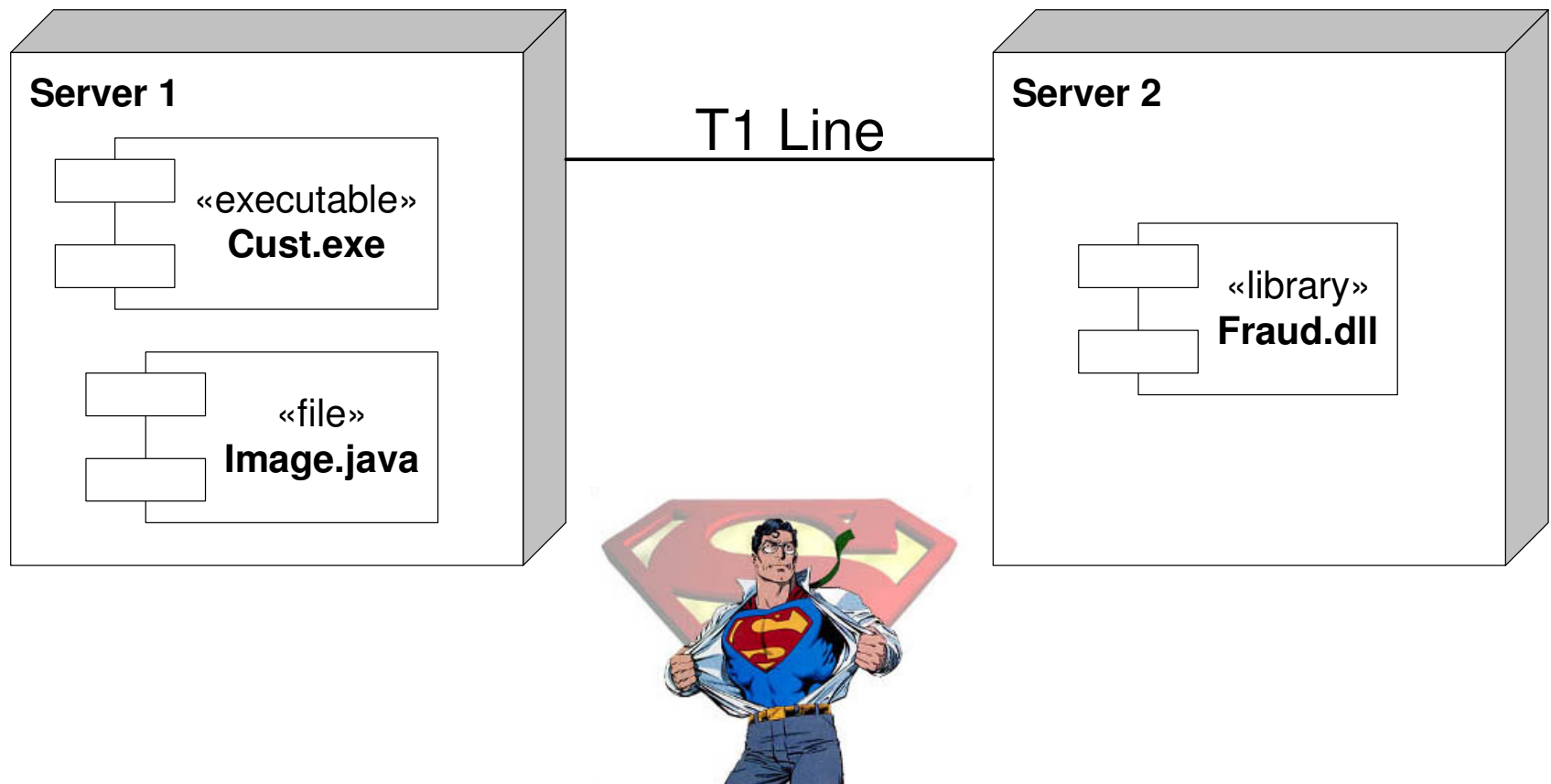
Deployment

- A model representing physical system components including:
 - Workstations
 - Servers
 - Embedded devices
 - Etc.
- A node on the deployment diagram usually has processing capability and memory

Deployment Diagram



Deployment + Component



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Interaction Models

- Represent view of the system as it is executing
- Show the interaction of the system
- Show changes over time

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Interaction Models

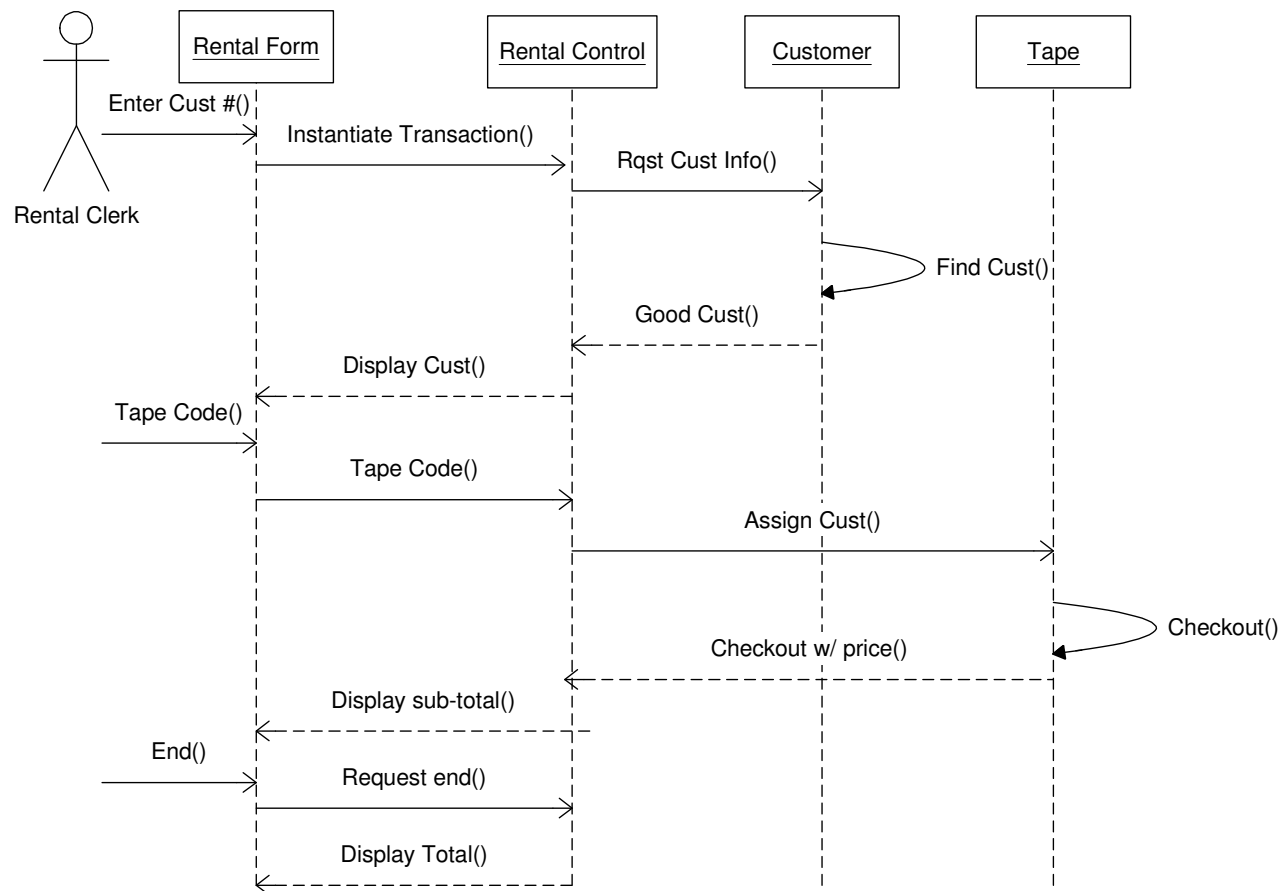
- Represent view of the system as it is executing
- Show the interaction of the system
- Show changes over time
- Sequence
- Communication
 - Collaboration UML 1.x
- Activity
- State Machine

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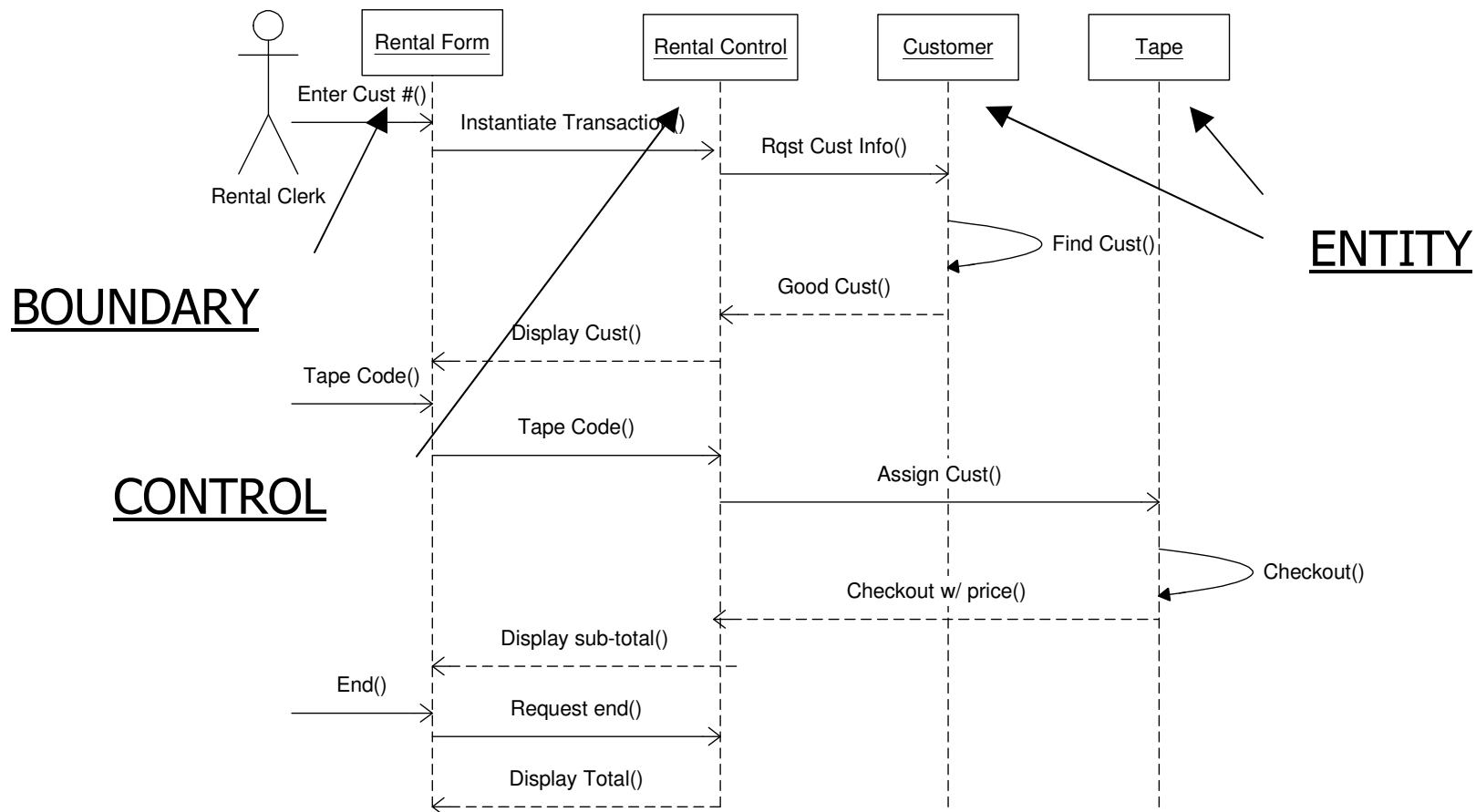
Sequence Diagram

- Represents a sequence of events
 - Usually tied to a single path thru a Use Case
 - Each possible execution path thru a Use Case should have its own Sequence Diagram
- Shows messages passing between objects over time.
 - Message and time oriented (vs. class or object relationship)
 - Shows the “lifecycle” of a single use case scenario

Sequence Diagram



Sequence Diagram



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Sequence Diagram

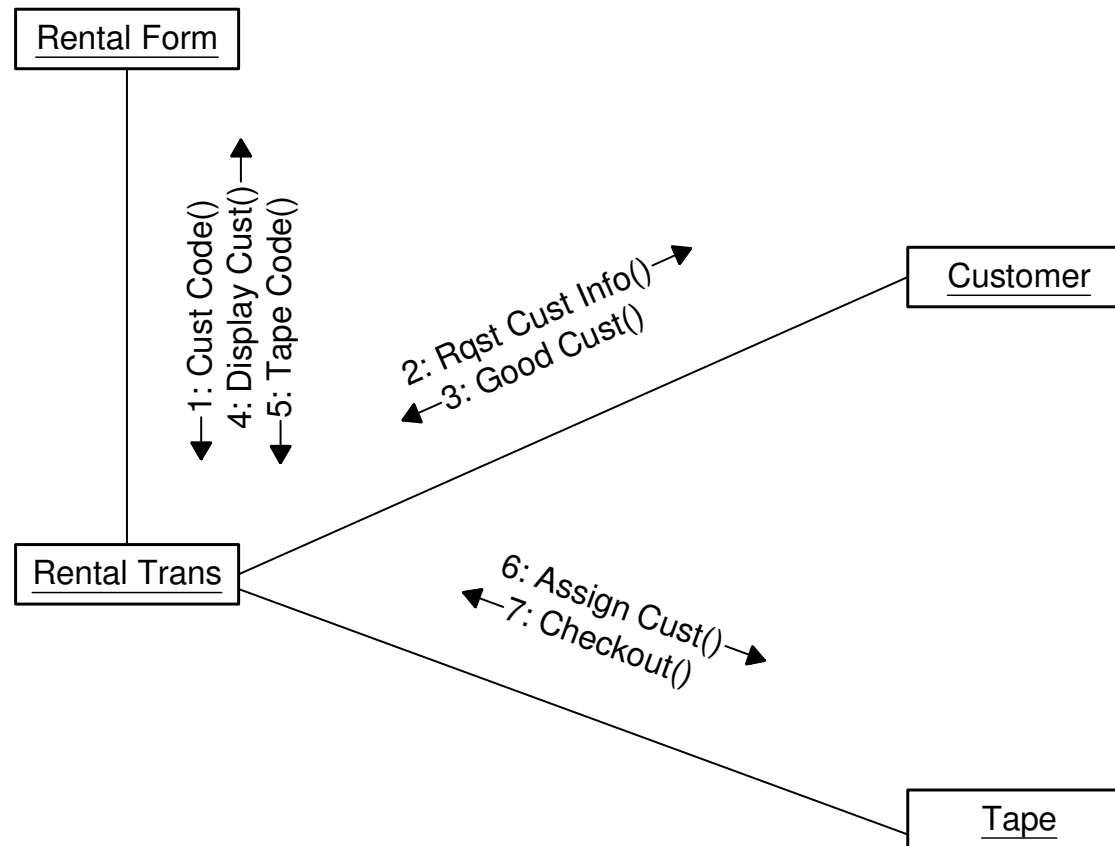
- UML Ver. 2 introduced notation to show branching such as loops and if-then-else logic
- Uses a “frame” – a box around the steps which are repeated with a notation of the type of branch
- Can make the diagram difficult to read and understand

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Communication (formerly Collaboration)

- Represents relationships between classes
 - Focused on classes or objects and their relationships in executing various scenarios
 - Points out potential bottlenecks and over-dependencies.
- Can be derived from Sequence Diagram
 - Many modeling packages will allow generation of Communication Diagrams from Sequence Diagram and vice versa.

Communication Diagram

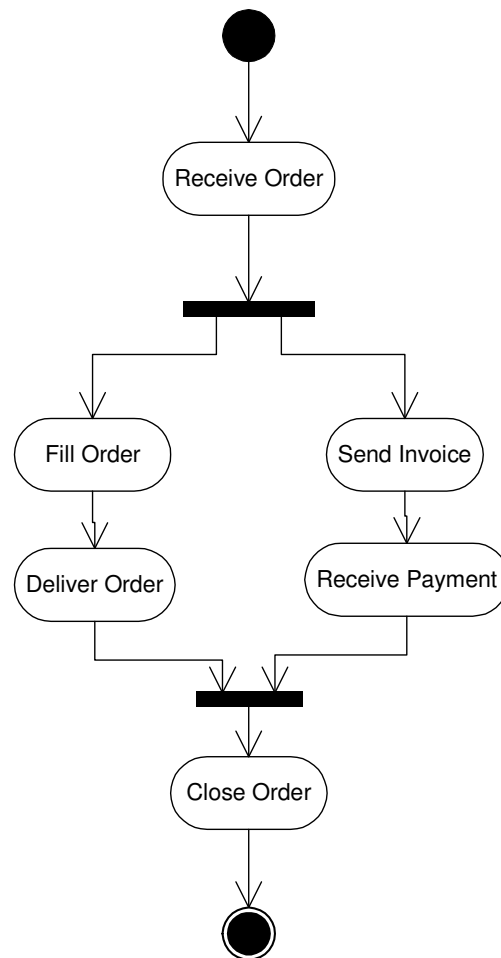


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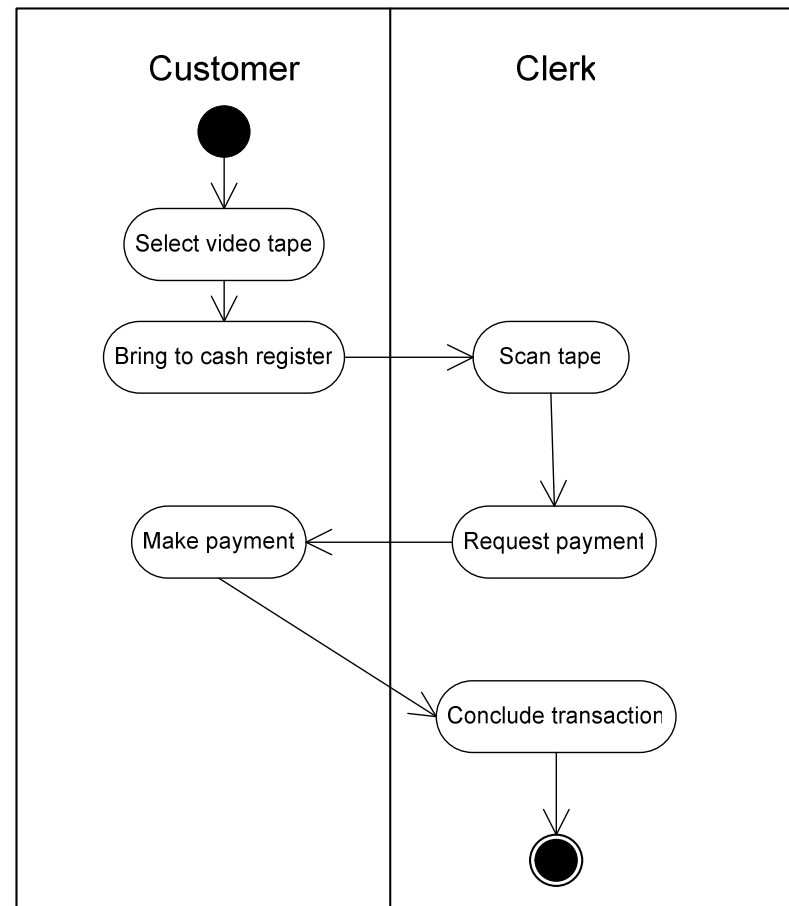
Activity Diagram

- Represents task activity
 - Includes parallel activity
 - Focus on action or changes to system state
 - (vs. class or object state changes)
- A flowchart with object notation
- UML 2 – nodes are referred to as “actions” instead of “activities”
- Used in multiple phases of a project
- Most frequently used for business process modeling

Activity Diagram

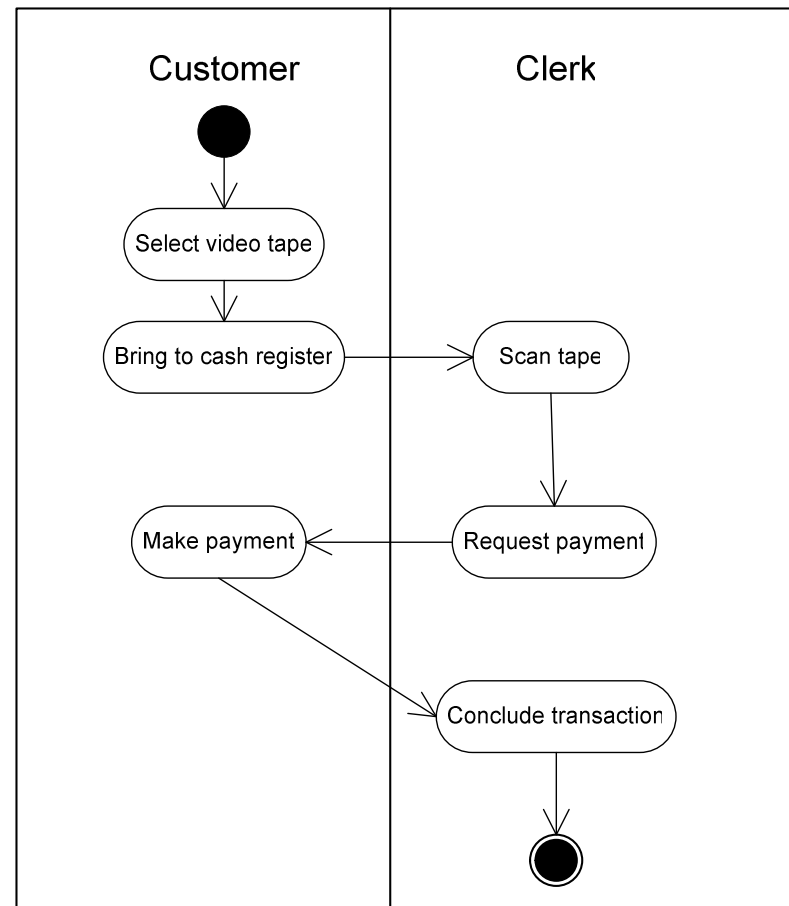


Activity Diagram w/ swim lanes



Activity Diagram w/ swim lanes

Activity diagram notation is becoming increasingly complex. Many new elements added in UML ver. 2



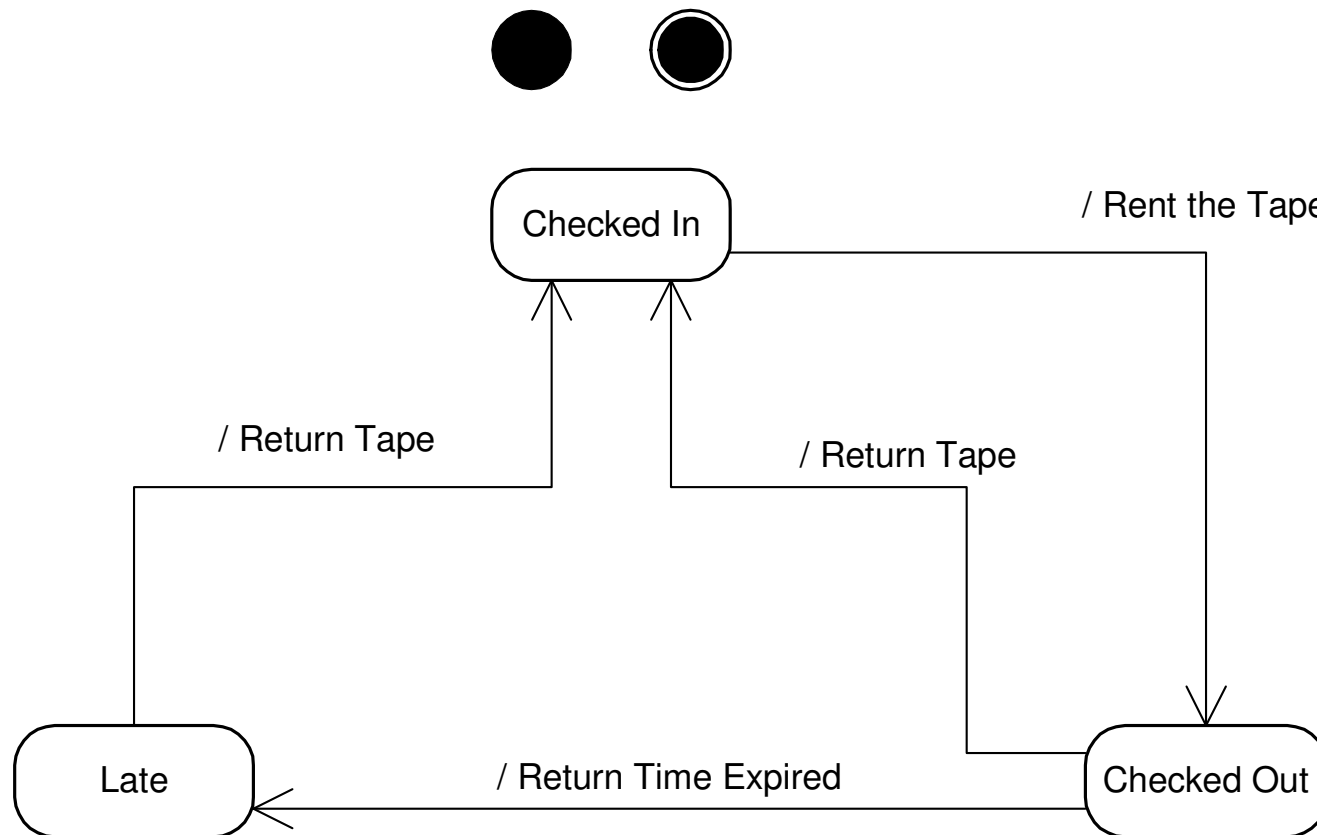
Notations for:
Time signals
Alternate terminations
Pre- and Post-condition notes
Exception flows

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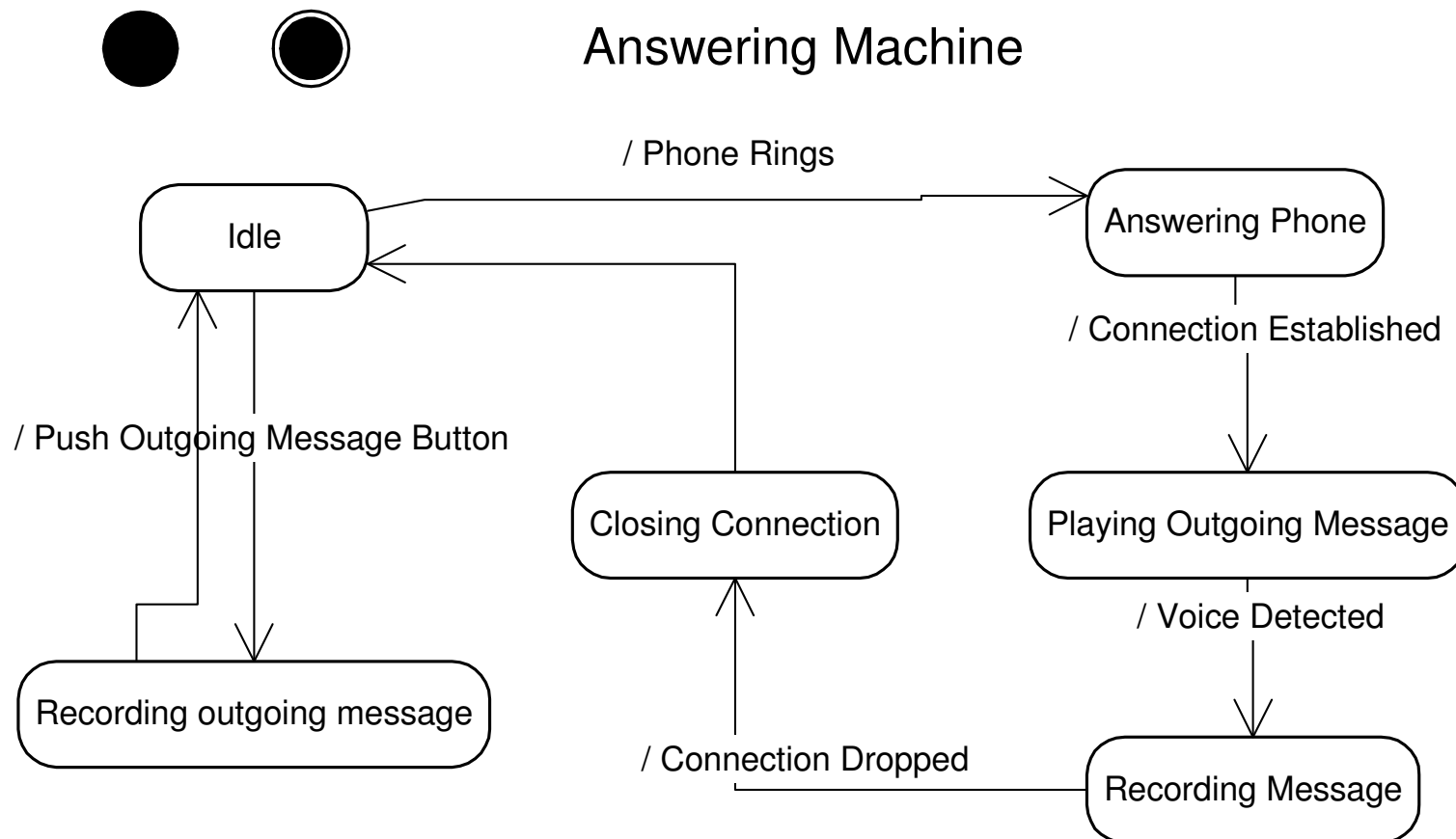
State Machine

- *State*: A condition in the life of an object during which it satisfies some condition, performs some activity, or waits for some event
- The state machine shows how activities change the state of an object
- Also referred to as State Transition
- Tends to be used during design phase

State Machine - Video Tape



State Machine – Answering Machine



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Additional Models

- UML ver. 2 has introduced several new models
 - Interaction Overview Diagram
 - Composite Structure Diagram
 - Timing Diagram
- Still too soon to know if they will be generally adopted in the “real world”



Where are we?

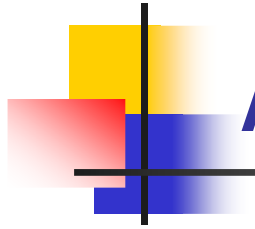
- We understand the relationship between the software engineering process and OOAD
 - What and When vs. How
- We know what an object is
 - Behavior & responsibility
 - Classes define related objects
- We know how to describe object relationships
 - Encapsulation, associations, inheritance
- We know how to represent those relationships
 - Unified Modeling Language



We can “talk the talk”...

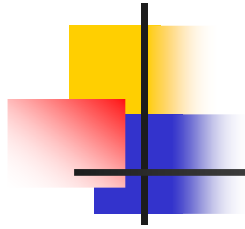
Now let’s try to “walk the walk”.....





Applying the Technology

- Integrate Object Oriented Analysis and Design techniques with a Software Engineering Process
 - Define the Project
 - Analyze the requirements
 - Model the architecture
 - Prepare the work packages



Define the Project

- Scope the System Domain
 - What are the key services or functions
 - Use Cases
 - What are the roles of the system users?
 - Actors



Exercise #1

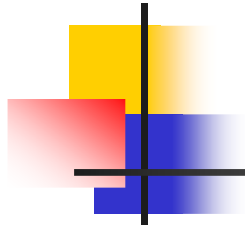
- Prepare a Use Case diagram for an Automated Teller Machine
 - Identify Actors
 - Define Use Cases
 - Note Relationships



Gather Requirements

- Capture functional requirements
 - By Use Case
 - General for overall system
- Define non-functional requirements
 - Performance
 - Scalability
 - Usability
 - Etc.





Develop Use Cases

- A project team activity
- Based upon requirements
- Reflect actor's experience
- Capture event sequence



Exercise #2

- Prepare one Use Case for ATM project





Analyze the Requirements

- Discover objects
 - Class Stereotypes
 - Boundary
 - Control
 - Entity
- Model object collaborations
 - Sequence Diagram

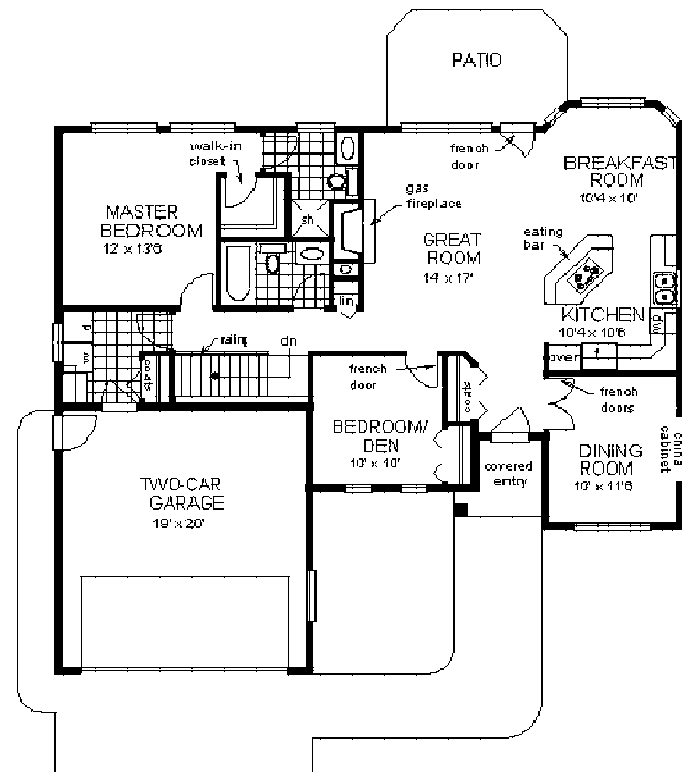
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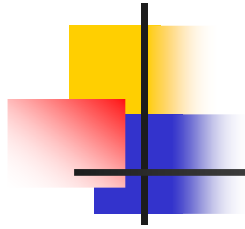
- Conduct a Use Case drilldown for the ATM project
 - Prepare a sequence diagram



Define the architecture

- Model classes
- Architecture considerations
- Prepare work packages





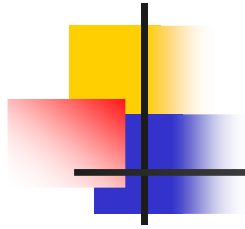
Model Classes

- Behaviors & responsibilities
- Relationships
- A tool to help:
Class-Responsibility-Collaboration cards



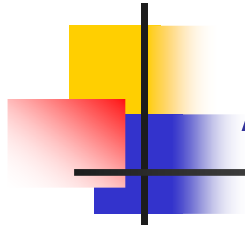
Class-Responsibility-Collaboration

- Known as CRC cards
- Introduced by Kent Beck and Ward Cunningham
 - creators of eXtreme Programming
- Used for class definition
- Not part of formal UML notation
- May be conducted during or after Sequence Diagram exercise



Exercise #4

- Prepare a class diagram for the ATM Use Case



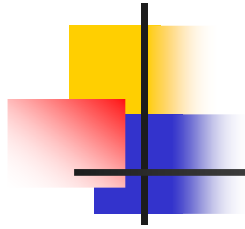
Additional Modeling

- Depending on system complexity, determine whether there is a need for other models
- Use Package Diagrams to “summarize” complex systems
- Use Component + Deployment Diagrams to direct installation



Other Architectural Considerations

- Identify the constraints
 - Legacy systems, supported platforms, standards, distribution requirements, staff skills, budget, time, etc.
- System needs
 - Most frequently used Use Cases, scenarios, and objects
 - High risk design issues
 - Non-functional requirements



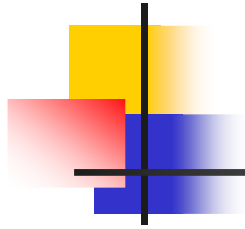
Prepare Work Packages

- Assign feature sets (use cases or groupings of use cases) to development teams
- Assign individual ownership responsibility for classes
 - Limit the number of developers who work on a specific class
 - Clearly document class interfaces



Managing OO Projects

- Iterative development
- Limited class complexity
- Frequent “Build & Test”
- Clearly define class interfaces



Iterative Development

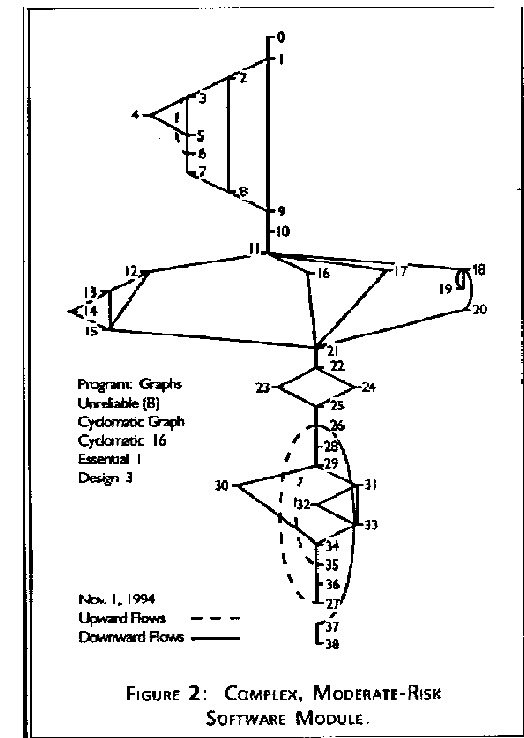


- Begin with architecturally significant or high risk Use Cases
- Identify design patterns & re-use candidates
- Re-iterate by adding Use Cases
- Partition the application domain
 - Manage complexity with packages

Limit Class Complexity



- Limit behavior
 - High cohesion
- Reduce Cyclomatic Complexity (<10-15)
 - Improves maintainability and testability

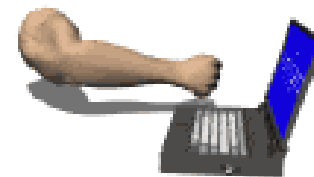




Frequent Build & Test



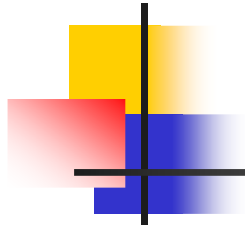
- Limit development changes between Build & Test cycles
- Execute functional tests against use cases
- Execute performance and stress tests against packages



Clearly Define Class Interfaces



- Take the time to clearly design and define interfaces
 - Especially if work is spread across multiple development teams
 - Critical for web-services and Service-oriented architecture (SOA)
- Provide wrappers for legacy applications



Summary



- Object Oriented Analysis and Development provides a way to define and model a system
 - A development methodology combines software engineering processes and OOAD modeling
- But....
 - there is a steep learning curve. You must be prepared to exercise this method several times before you begin to become proficient!



Additional Information

- Web resources
 - IBM/Rational - www.rational.com
 - Martin Fowler – www.martinfowler.com
 - Borland - www.borland.com – Together Community
 - Agile Modeling – www.agilemodeling.com
 - Object Management Group – www.omg.org
- Books
 - **UML Distilled 3rd Edition** by Martin Fowler
 - **Object Oriented Analysis & Design** by James Martin and James Odell
 - **Applying UML and Patterns** by Craig Larman