

Software Engineering

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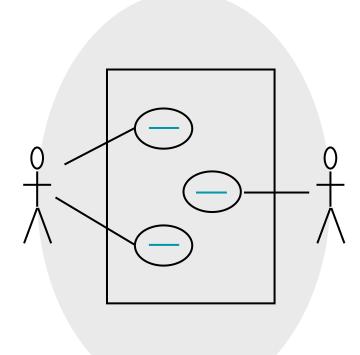
Lecture 3: UML



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Objectives

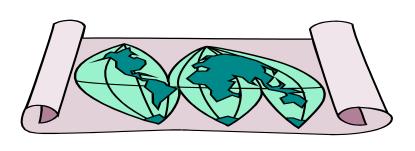
- Understand where UML has come from
- Introduce the key UML Diagram Types
- Understand what a Use Case is
- Know how to model Use Case diagrams
- Know how to write a Use Case Description
- Recognise an Object Sequence Diagram
- Know what Robustness Analysis is



Why Build Models?

- Cheaper than building the real thing
- To provide a clear abstraction of concepts
- To gain understanding, before building
- To provide a common vision for diverse groups (users and developers)
- To manage, scope and document complexity







Analysis and Design

- The same 'language' is used to express Analysis and Design
- Avoids a "semantic gap"

Analysis

- The 'what'
- Defining the problem space
- A conceptual model to facilitate understanding
- Unaffected by software considerations
- Unaffected by performance considerations

Design

- The 'how'
- Defining the solution space
- A specification model to facilitate implementation
- Improving the software
- Improving the performance

UML Major Contributors

JAMES RUMBAUGH



"Object-Oriented Modelling and Design" (1991)





"Object-Oriented Design with Applications" (1993)





"Object-Oriented Software Engineering: A Use Case Driven Approach" (1992)

Why Is UML Important?

- Represents a convergence of Ideas
- An end to the "Methods Debate"?
- A modelling standardization
 - Semantics
 - Definition
 - Notation

Why Is UML Important?

- Use graphical notation: more clearly than natural language (imprecise) and code (too detailed).
- > Help acquire an overall view of a system.
- UML is not dependent on any one language or technology.
- UML moves us from fragmentation to عبرنة
 standardization.

About UML

UML Specification

The Object Management Group (OMG) Version 2.2, February 2009





The Unified Modelling Language is a visual language for:

• specifying,

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constructing

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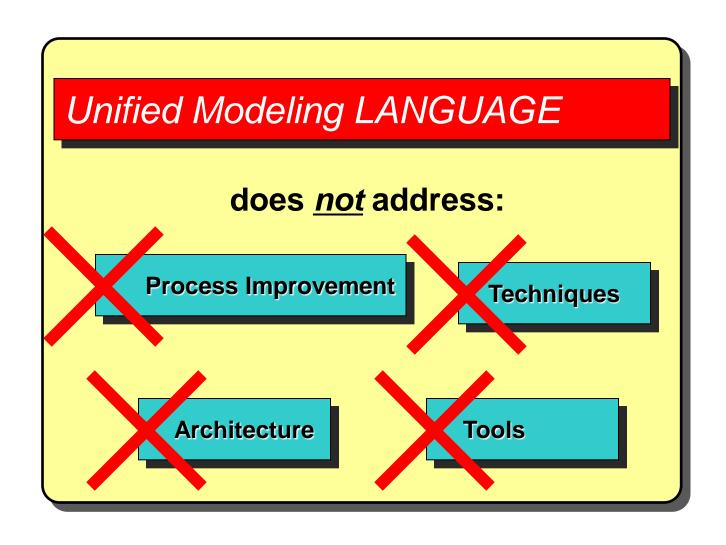
documenting

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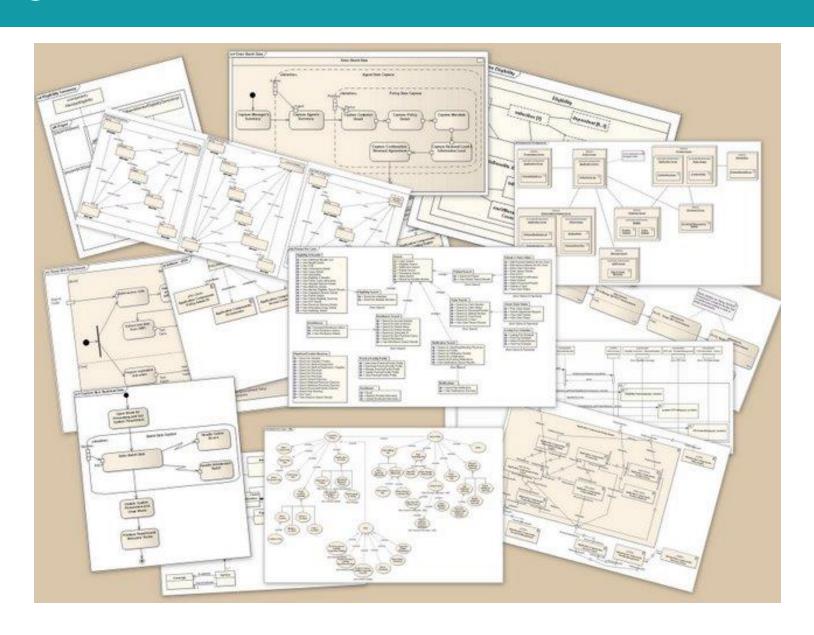
the artefacts of systems.

Can be applied to all application domains and implementation platforms

UML is not a Methodology!



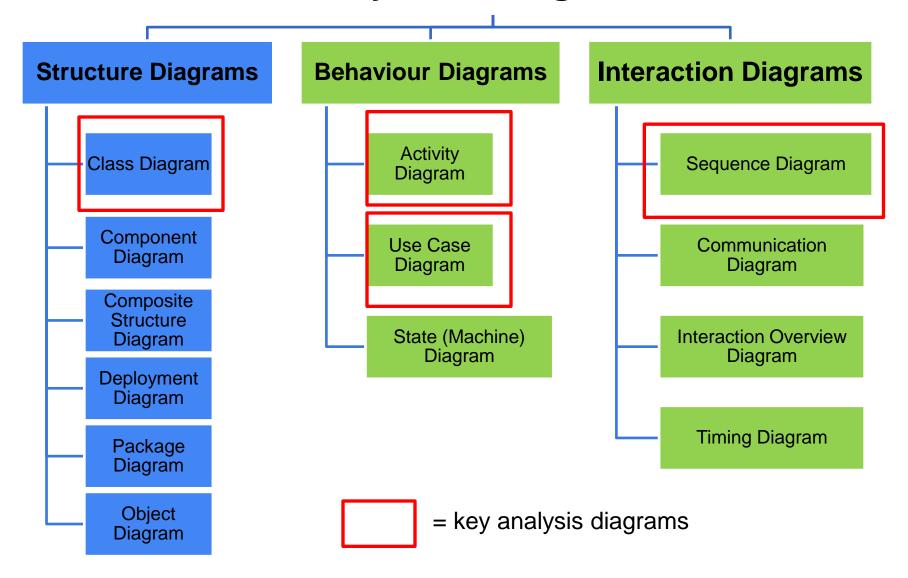
UML – the Diagrams



UML Diagrams show ...

- Activities
- Actors
- Business processes
- Database schemas
- Logical components
- Physical components
- Programming language and software components

Key UML Diagrams



UML – the key diagrams

Structure Diagrams

Class Diagram: shows the logical Classes, associations, attributes

Component Diagram: shows how software is split into components

Composite Structure Diagram: describes the internal structure of a Class

Deployment Diagram: describes the hardware used, and what is deployed on the

hardware

Package Diagram: shows the elements of the system as logical groupings

Object Diagram: shows how objects (instances) are interrelated

Behaviour Diagrams

Activity Diagram: describes step by step workflow (swimlanes)

Use Case Diagram shows actors, goals and processes

State (machine) Diagram describes the states and state transitions of the system

Interaction Diagrams

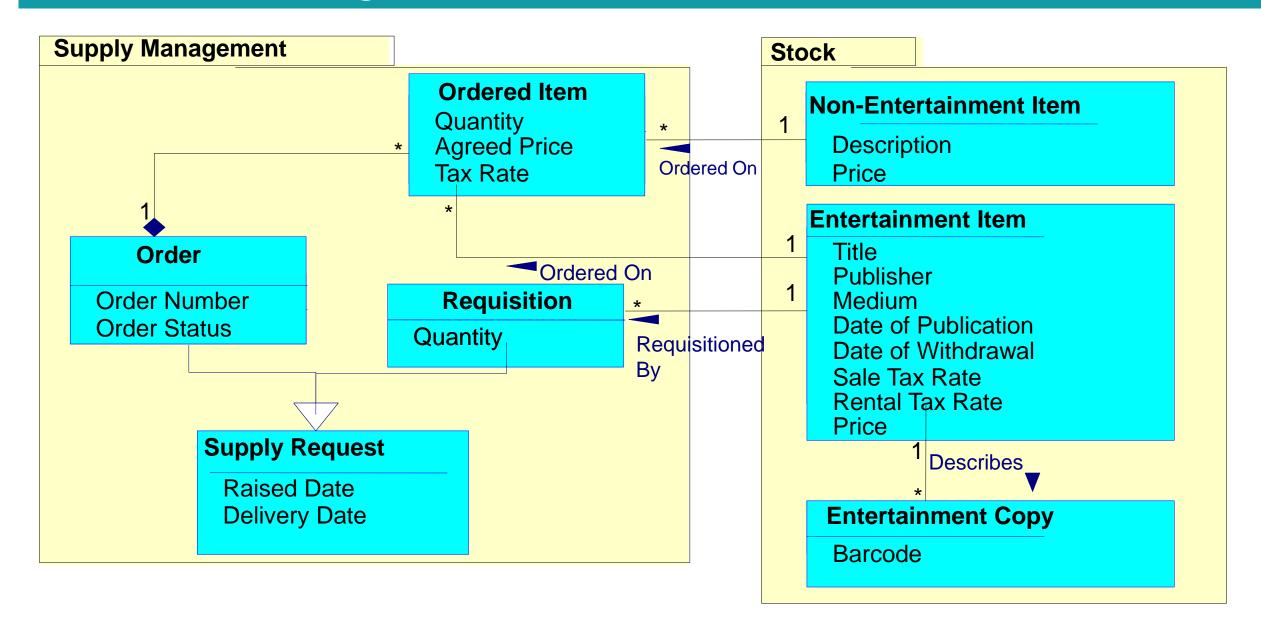
Sequence Diagram: shows how objects communicate in terms of a sequence of messages

Communication Diagram: interaction between objects in the system, as messages

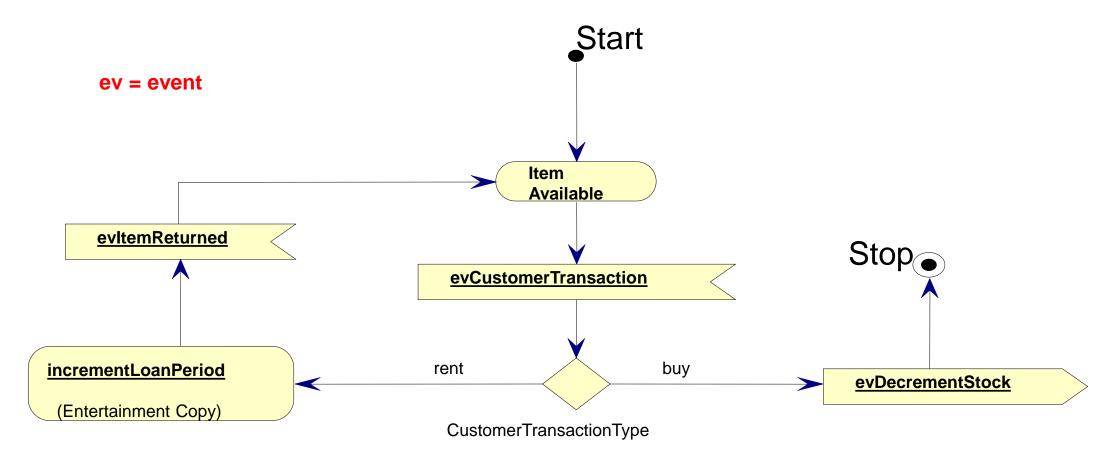
Interaction Overview Diagram: shows interactions between several communication diagrams

■ Timing Diagram: an Interaction diagram focusing on timing constraints

UML Class Diagram

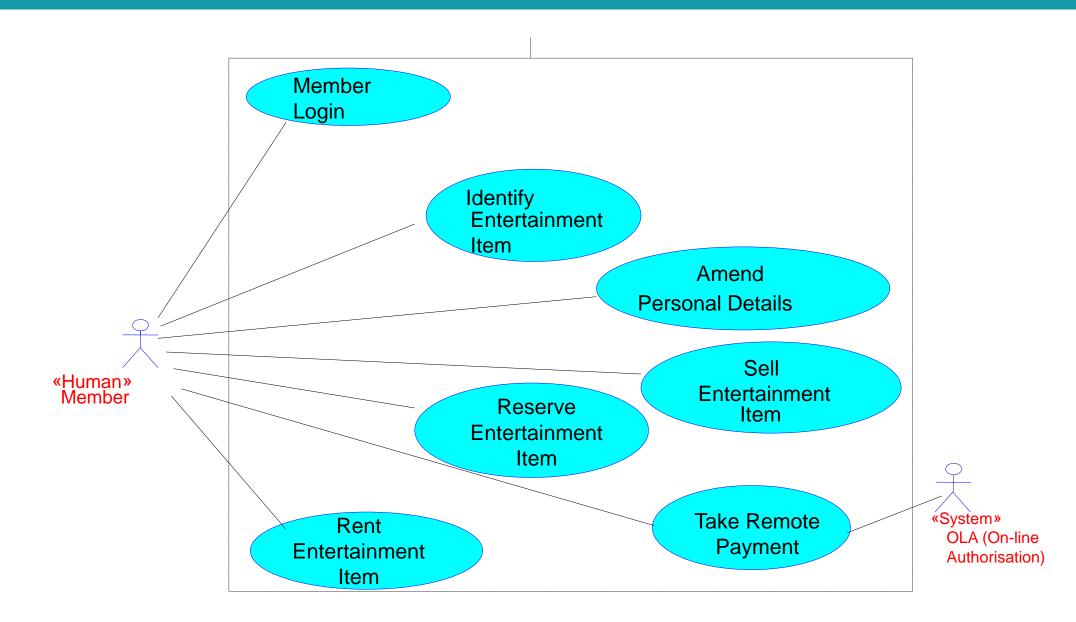


UML Activity Diagram

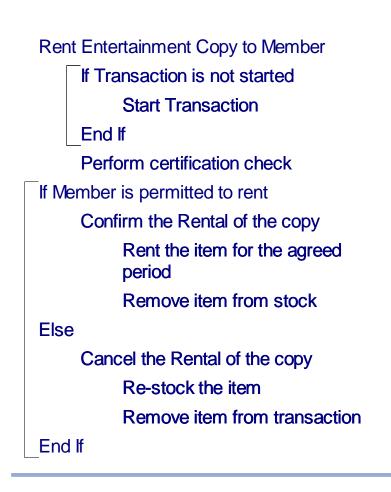


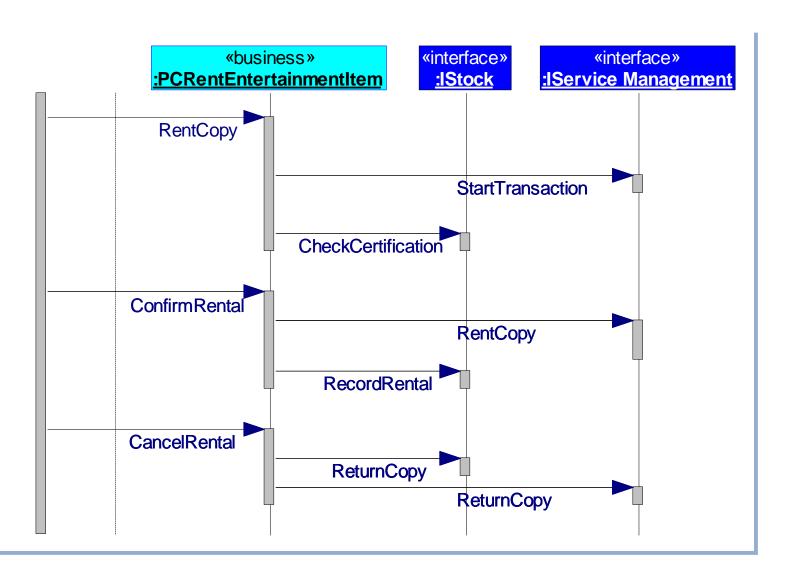
This diagram may be used to describe business processes (using swim lanes), individual Use Cases or the flow through an individual Class operation.

UML Use Case



UML Sequence Diagram



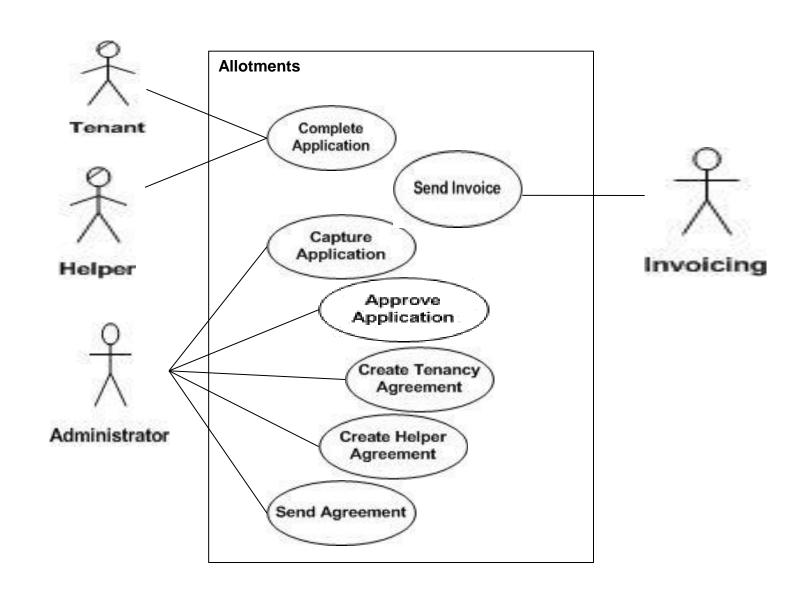


Use Cases

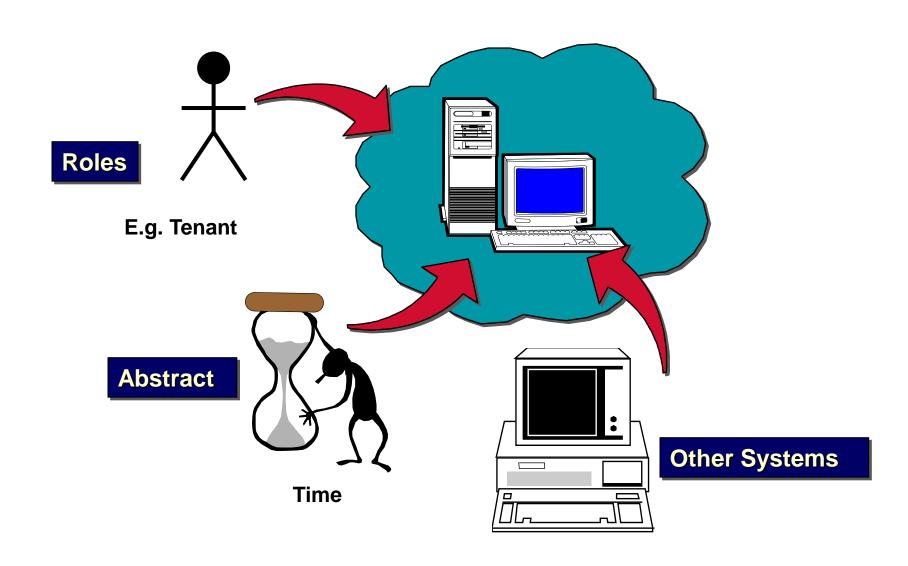
- A natural unit of work
- Each "bubble" typically one person, one place, one time
- Overview diagram of many Use Cases give Scope
- Incorporate requirements
- Useful for testing too



UML Use Case Diagram

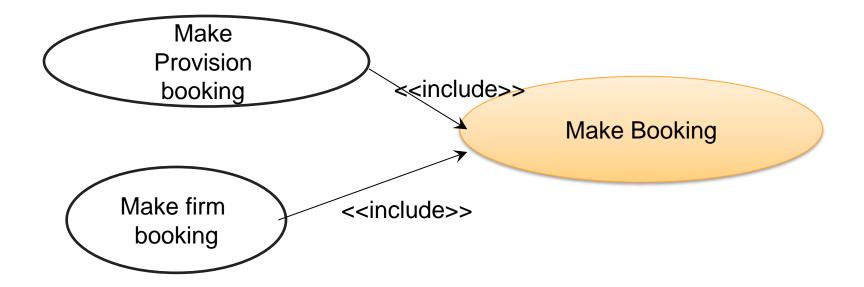


What is an Actor?



Relationship between use cases

Use cases can hold some relationships between each other, like include, extend



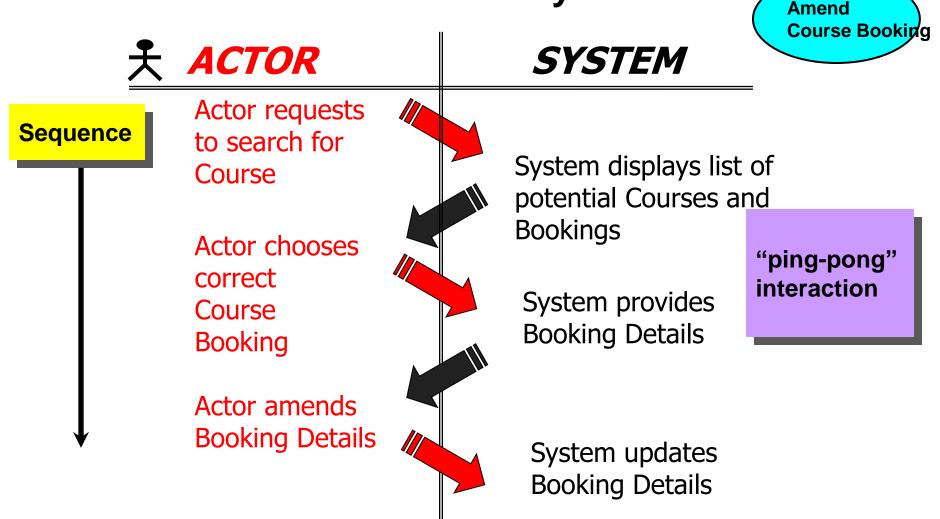
How to Identify Use Cases?

- Identify candidate system actors
- Identify candidates Use Cases
 - probably from the Business Processes in the business process model chosen for system automation
- Scope units of interaction (Use Cases)
 - start point (look for actor and initial event)
 - end point (look for beneficial result for actor)

Two versions of the process model As is and 2 B

Use Case Specification

How do Actors interact with system?



Writing the Use Case Description

- Try to use 'structured text' ie
 - Simple statement:
 - 'Actor does something'
 - 'System does something'
 - Selection:
 - IF a condition is met

*{simple statements or the name of an Alternate Course}

Else

Select from following:

etc

Case: condition 1

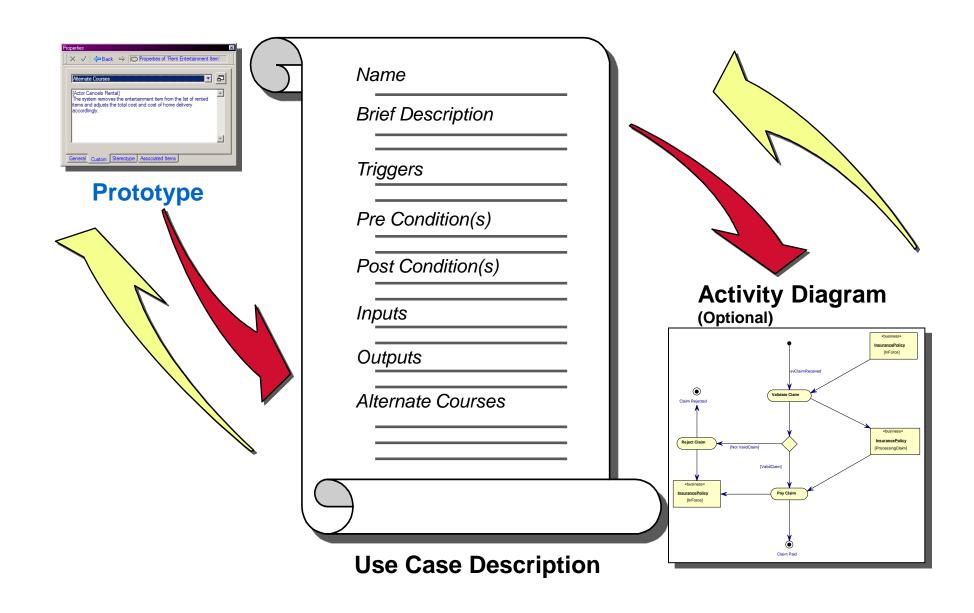
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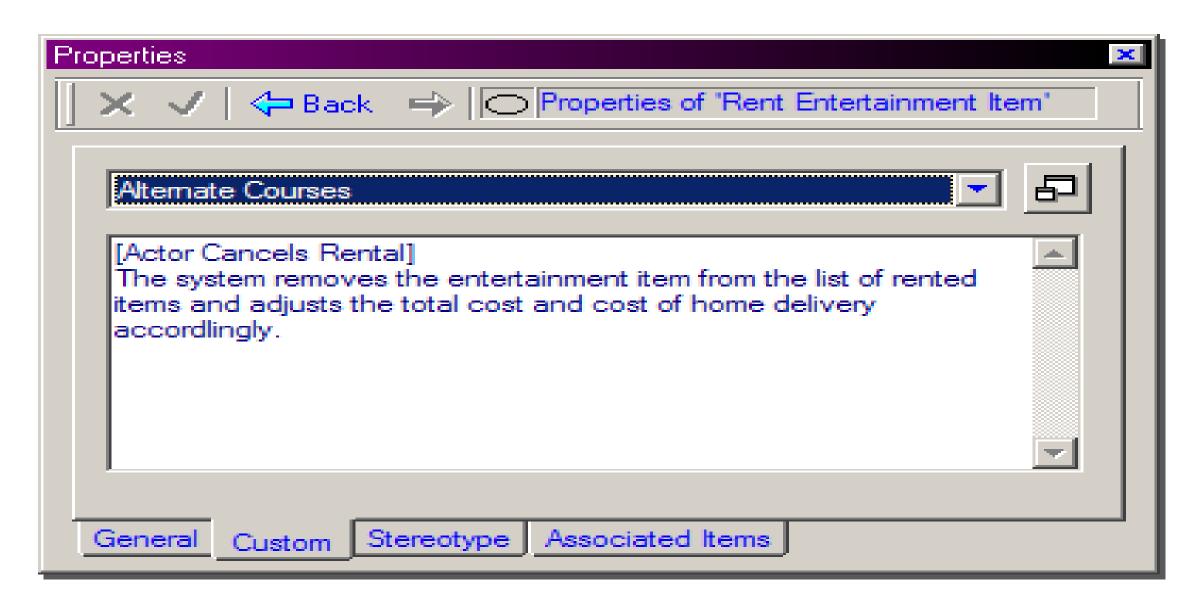
Case: Condition 2

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- Iteration:
 - While some condition is met ...

Use Case Specification



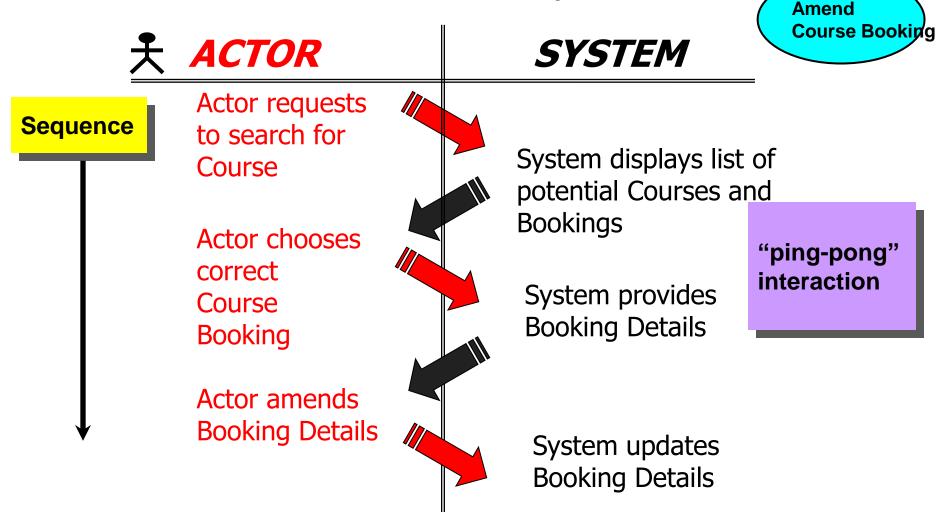


A Use Case Description

Use case	Search books	
Actor	student	
trigger	Student needs to look for books	
Pre condition	System is running student is logged in	
Post condition	Student see the selected book list	
input	Category name	
output	none	
Main course	1 Actor	Enters the category name
	2 System	Accept the category name
	3 Actor	Press search
	4 System	Looks for books with this category and display their details and number of copies available
	5 Actor	Observe the result and terminate the search form (OK button)
	6 System	Ends the dialog and return control to the actor again
alternative	1.1 category name is wrong or empty book list, the system send s a message and ask the actor to retype category name	

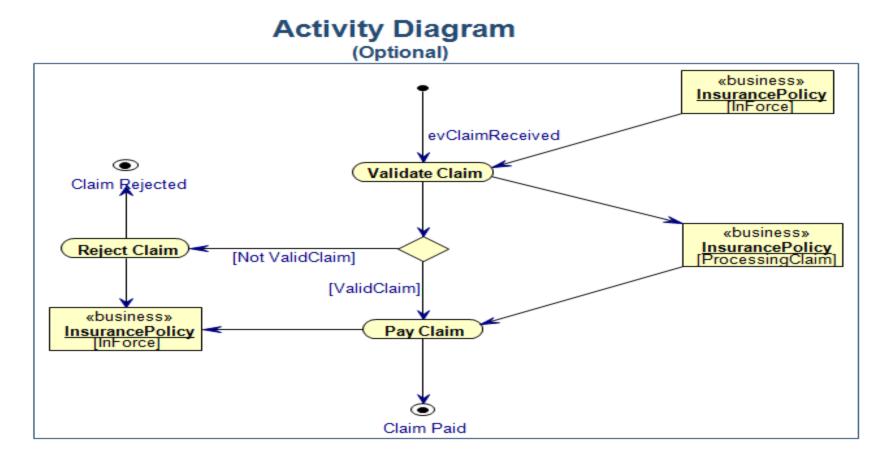
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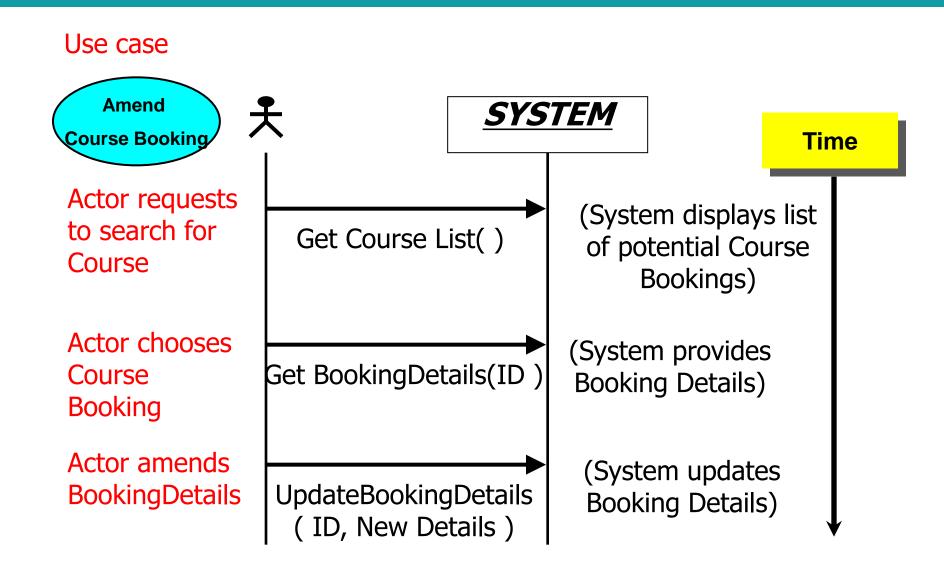


Use Case Description with Activity Diagram

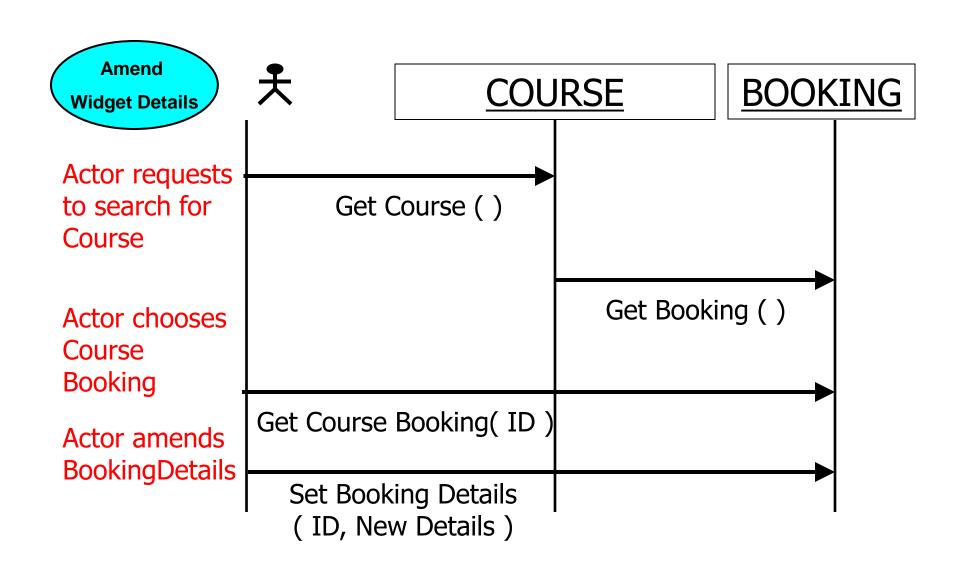
 Where there are many options/paths through the Use Case, an Activity Diagram can aid understanding



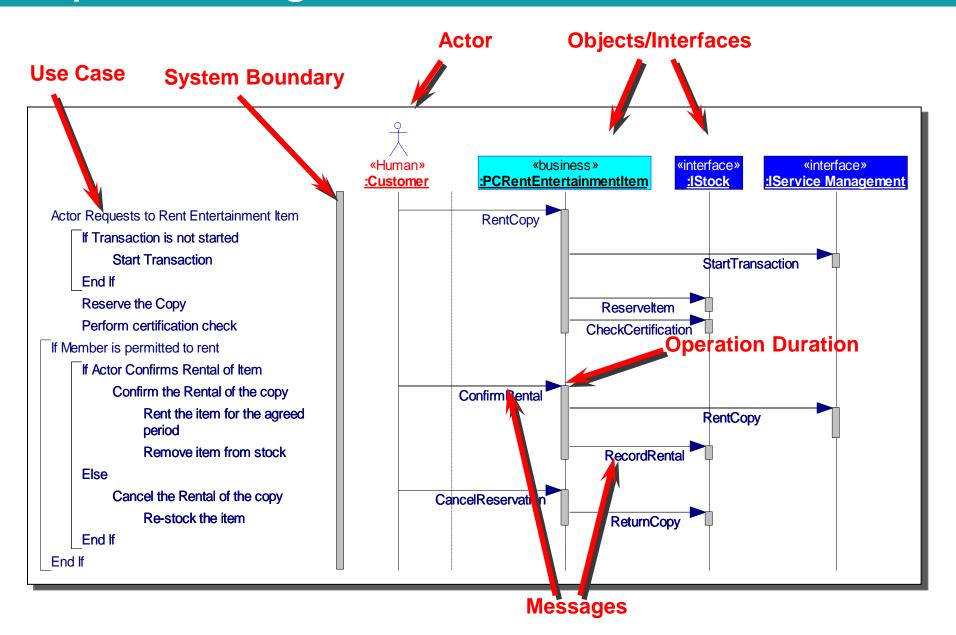
Interactions Become Messages



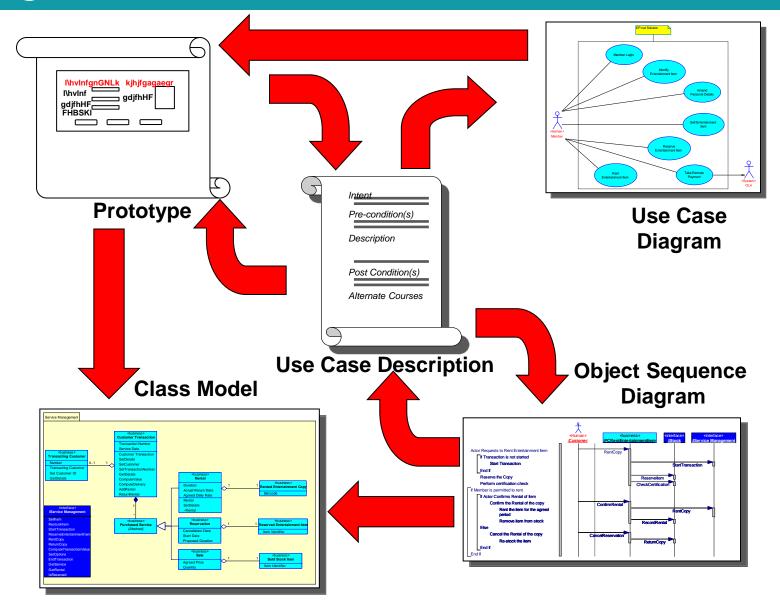
Object Interactions



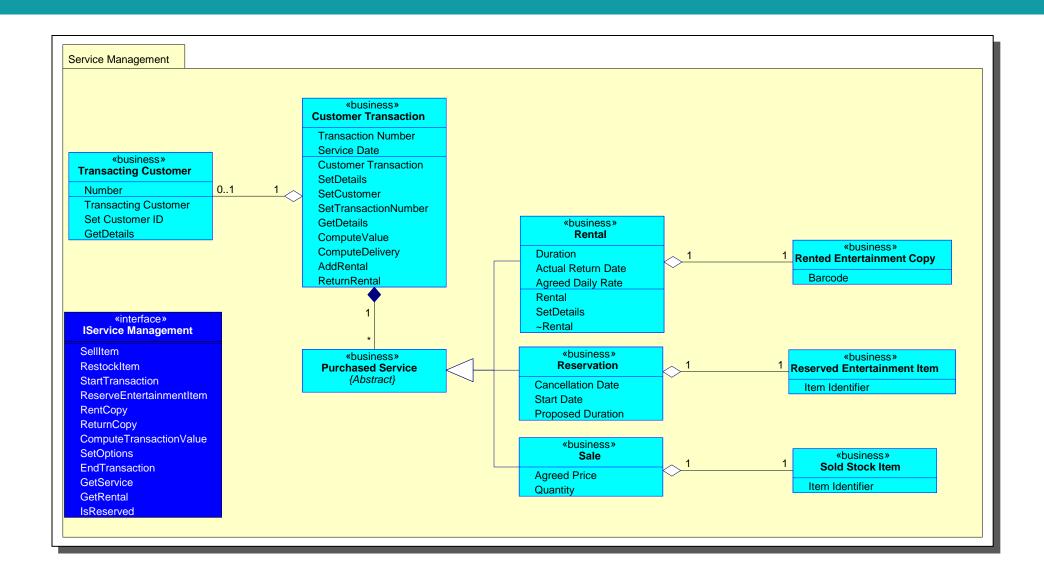
Object Sequence Diagram



The Modelling Micro-iterations



Class model



Exercise

- ✓ Create a use case for SUT LMS
- ✓ Write down a use case description for one of the use cases "enroll in a training course run by the user"



Summary

- Object-orientation offers a model-based approach to understanding the problem and structuring the solution
- The benefits of object-orientations include:
 - Flexibility in development
 - Ease of maintenance and the ability to extend system
 - Common language and model used throughout lifecycle
- The Unified Modelling Language (UML) is the standard graphical and textual Object-orientation modelling notation