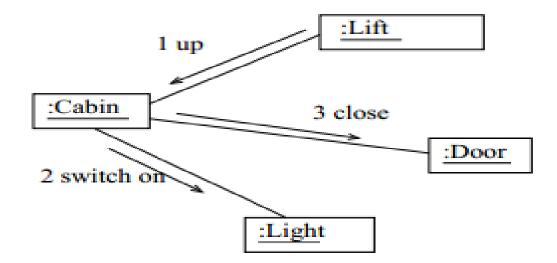




Collaboration diagram

- This diagram shows the interactions between objects and the structural relations which allows these interactions.
- The numeration gives the order of messages.
- Time is not represented



An Actor: Is a person or system that derives benefit from and is external to the system Participates in a collaboration by sending and/or receiving messages	anActor < <actor>> Actor/Role</actor>
An Object: Participates in a collaboration by sending and/or receiving messages Are placed across the top of the diagram	anObject : aClass
An Association: Shows an association between actors and/or objects Messages are sent over associations	
A Message: Conveys information from one object to another one Direction is shown using an arrowhead Sequence is shown by a sequence number	1: a Message() →
A Frame: Indicates the context of the communication diagram	Context

FIGURE 8-7 Communication Diagram Syntax

FIGURE 8-8 Steps for Building Communication Diagrams

- Set the context.
- Identify which objects (actors) and the associations between the objects participate in the collaboration.
- 3. Layout the communication diagram.
- 4. Add messages.
- 5. Validate the communication diagram.

EXAMPLE

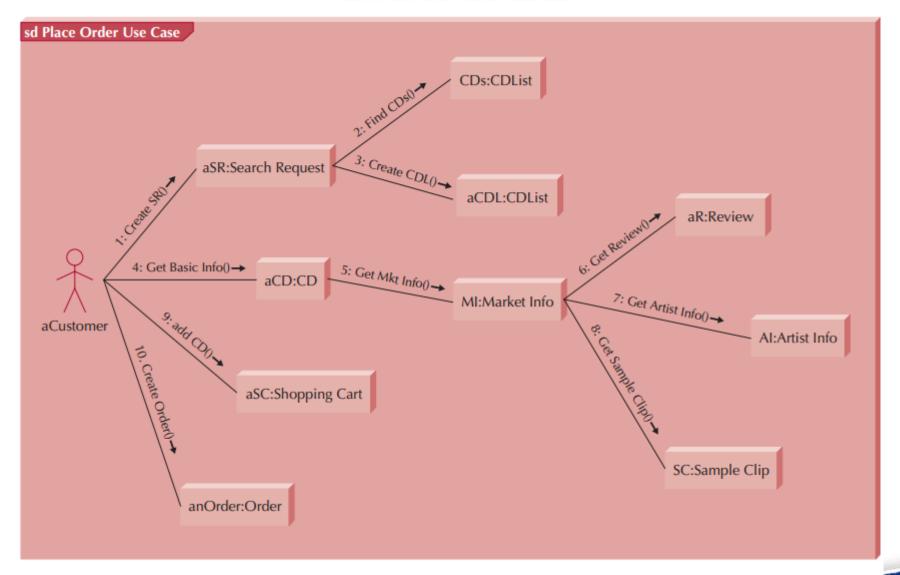
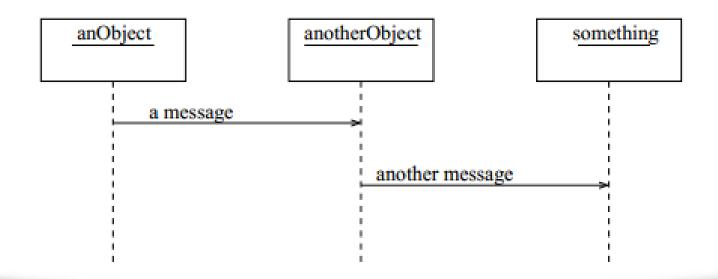
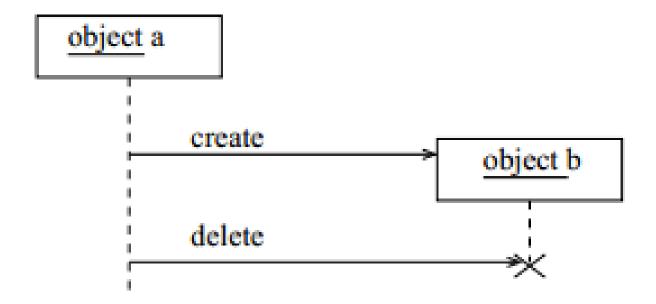


FIGURE 8-10 Communication Diagram for the Place Order Use Case

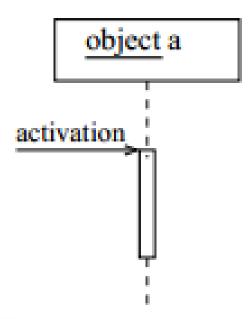
- Show interactions between object from the time point of view.
- The rank of the message sending is done by the position on the vertical axe.



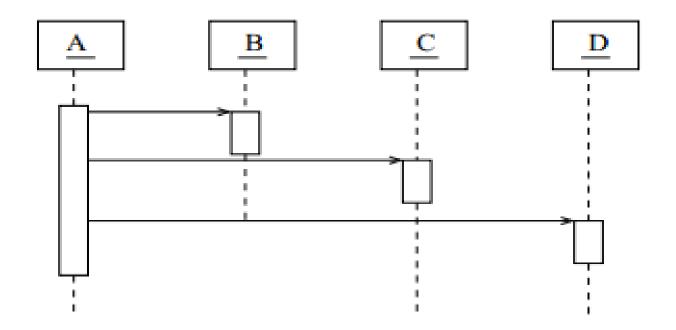
• Creation / destruction of object



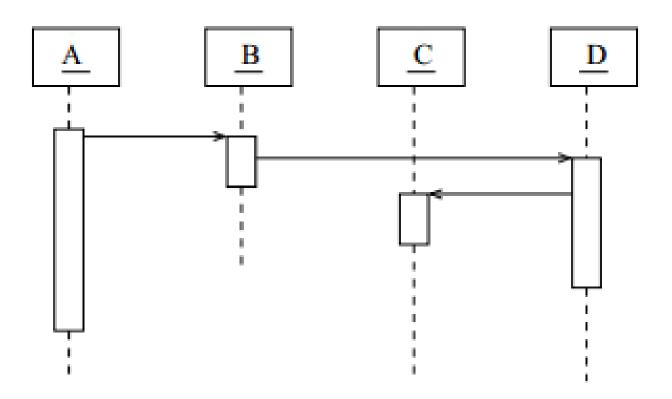
- Representation of activity periods for objects = working time for this object.
- Beginning and the end of the vertical band correspond to the beginning and the end of the activity period.



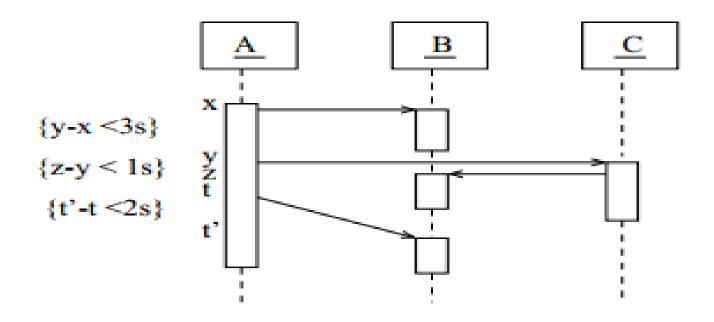
• Choices



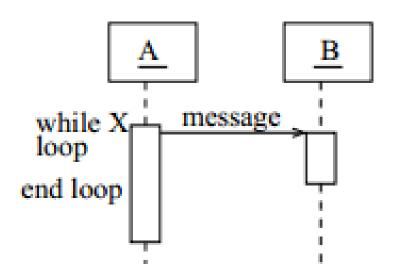
• Decentralized sending of messages

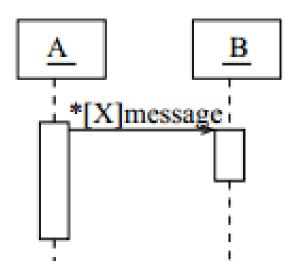


• Temporal constraint

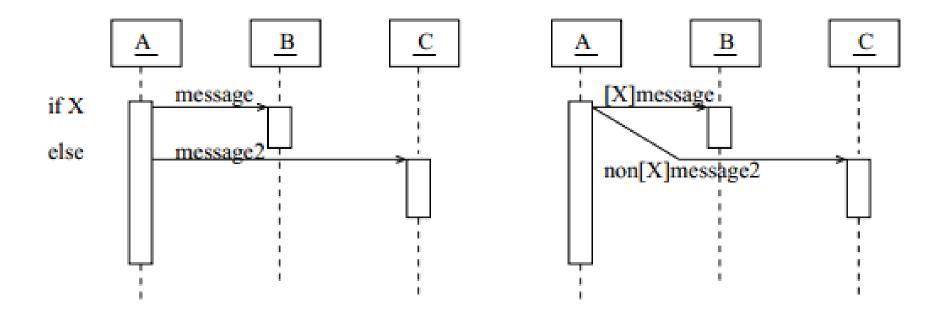


Loop





Condition branching



- Set the context.
- 2. Identify which objects will participate.
- 3. Set the lifeline for each object.
- Layout the messages from the top to the bottom of the diagram based on the order in which they are sent.
- Add the execution occurrence to each object's lifeline.
- Validate the sequence diagram.

FIGURE 8-3 Steps for Building Sequence Diagrams

EXAMPLE

Normal Flow of Events:

- 1. Customer submits a search request to the system.
- The System provides the Customer a list of recommended CDs.
- The Customer chooses one of the CDs to find out additional information.
- 4. The System provides the Customer with basic information and reviews on the CD.
- The Customer calls the Maintain Order use case.
- 6. The Customer iterates over 3 through 5 until done shopping.
- 7. The Customer executes the Checkout use case.
- 8. The Customer leaves the Web site.

FIGURE 8-4

Normal Flow of Events of the Places Order Use Case

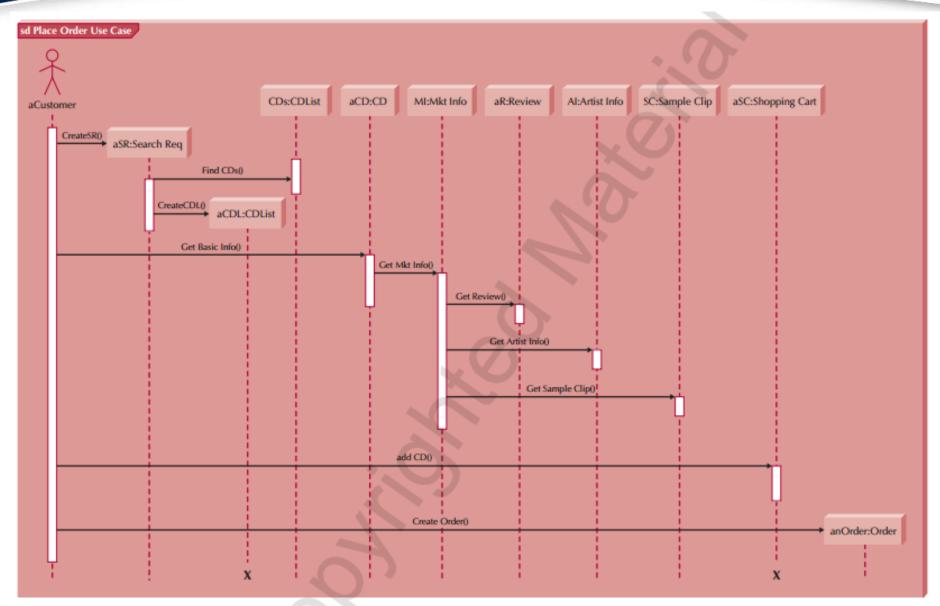


FIGURE 8-5 Sequence Diagram for the Places Order Use Case