



UML introduction

Software Requirements and Design
T-216-GHOH

Skúli Arnlaugsson | 2. september 2019



What is UML

- A language used to *describe the behavior, functionality, and flow within a system as well as the system's interaction with the outside world.*
- A Modeling Language (mostly graphical)
 - Concepts (í. hugtök)
 - Notation (í. skrifháttur)
 - Organization (í. skipulag)





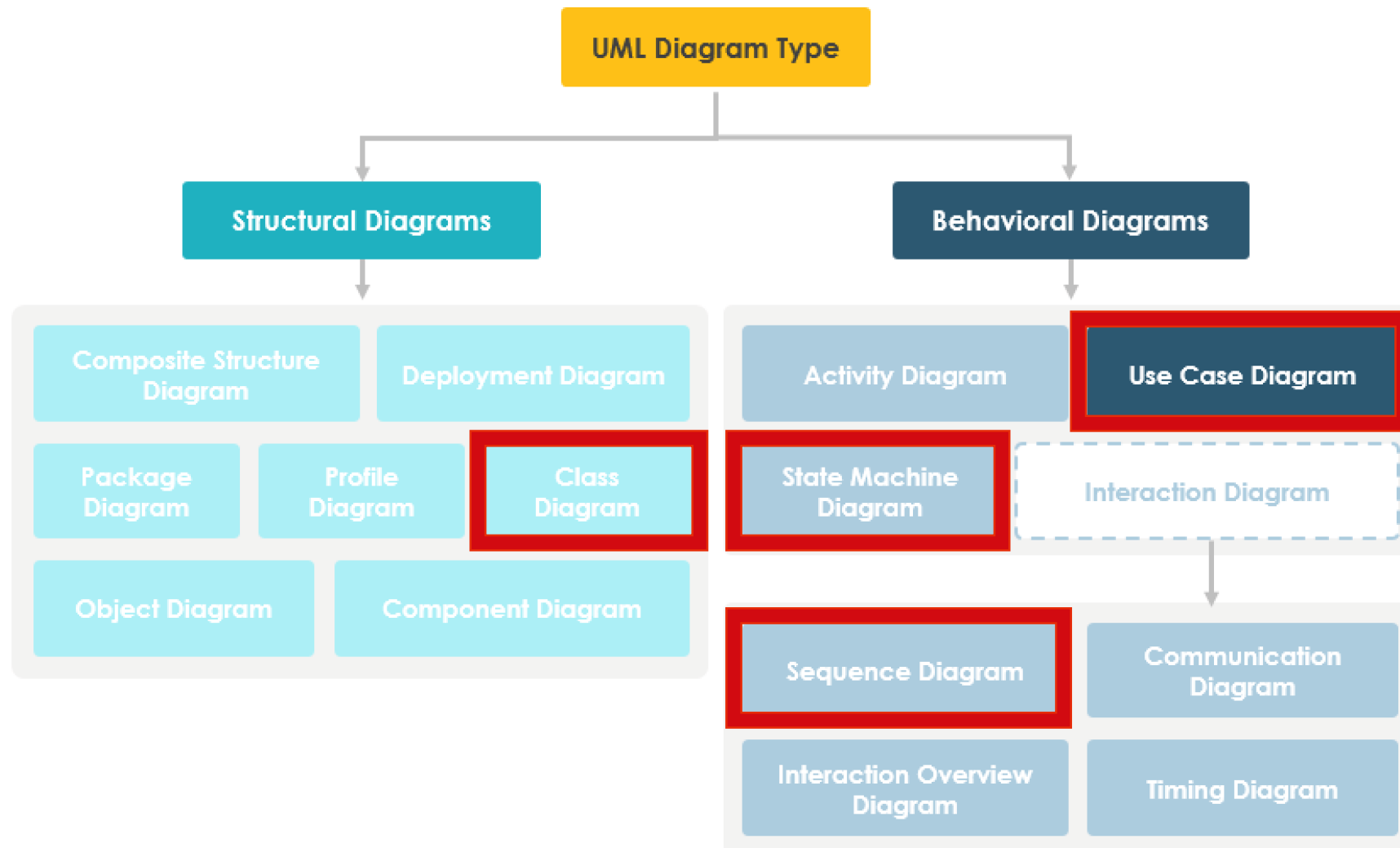
What UML is (cont.)

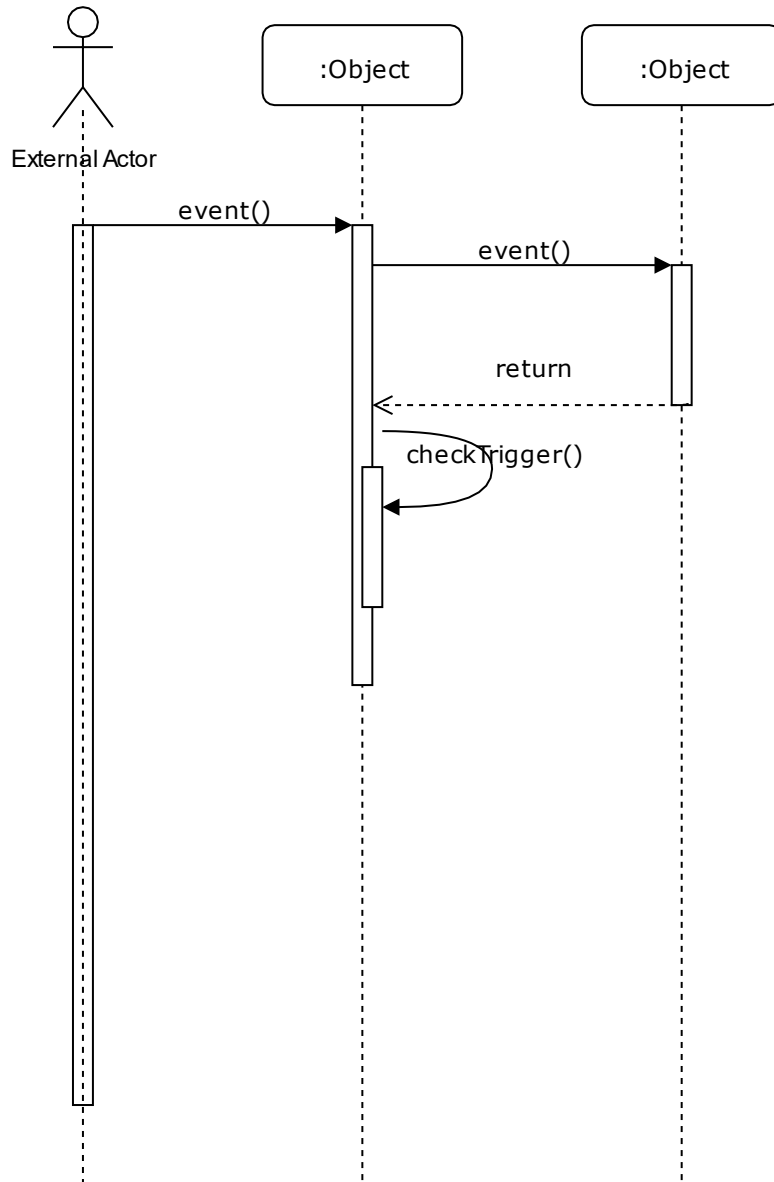
- *De facto* standard for modeling Software Systems
 - But not limited to only Software Systems
- Helps create clarity and understanding



What UML is (cont.)

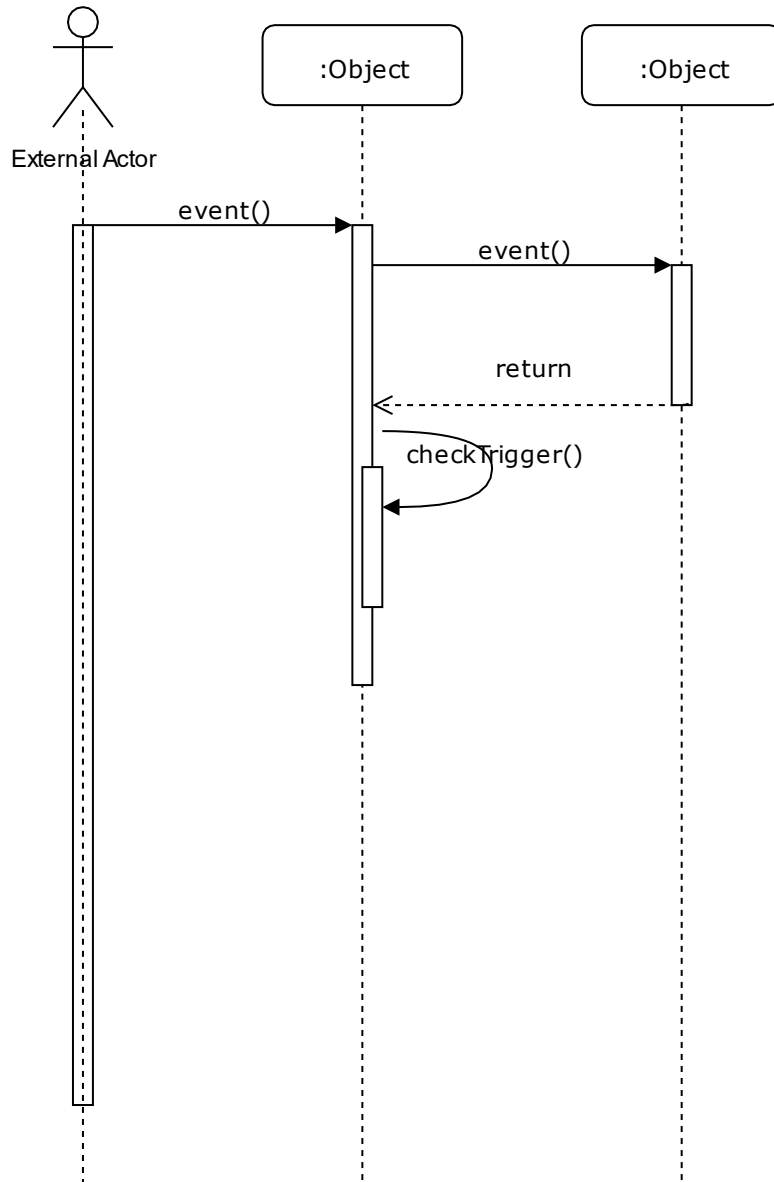
- UML is big! 800+ pages of specification
- In this course we will learn about a small subset of the UML standard
- Including:
 - Use cases and partly Use Case Diagrams (í. notkunartilvik)
 - Class Diagrams (í. klasarit)
 - State Diagrams (í. stöðurit)
 - Sequence Diagrams (í. runurit)





Sequence Diagrams (í. runurit)

- Interaction Sequence Diagram
- Provide a view of the Interaction between Entities of the Systems
- Supports Use Cases
- Models a Sequence of actions and interactions

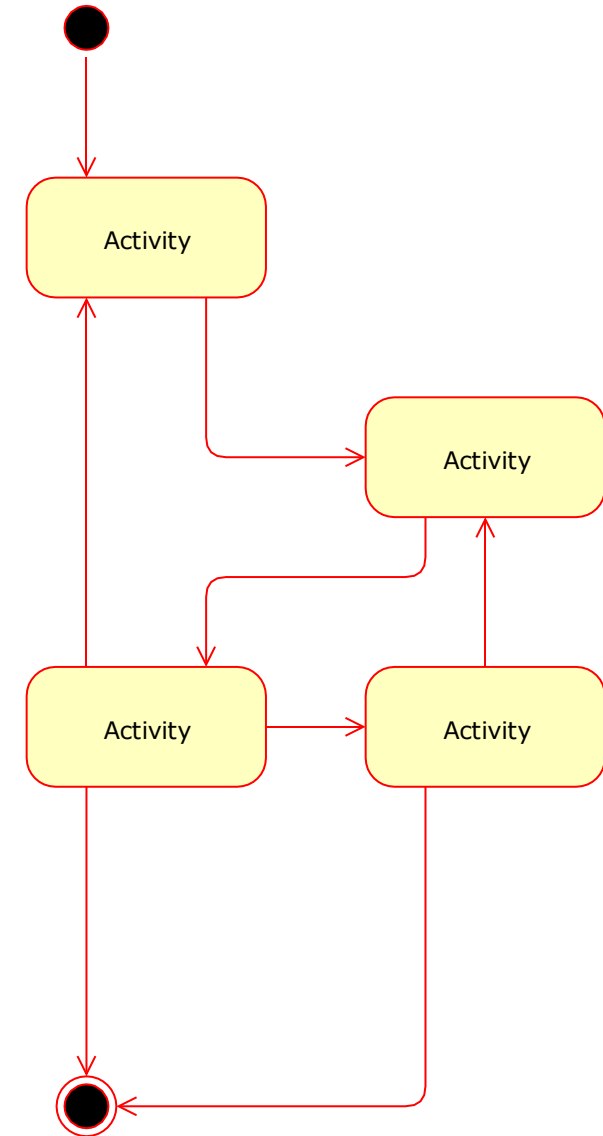


Sequence Diagrams (cont.)

- Concepts:
 - Actors: Roles or Participants
 - Activation or Execution Occurrence
 - Messages
 - Lifelines
- Notation:
 - How the diagram is set up
 - Meaning in symbols
 - F.x. Filled arrow head vs. empty arrowhead

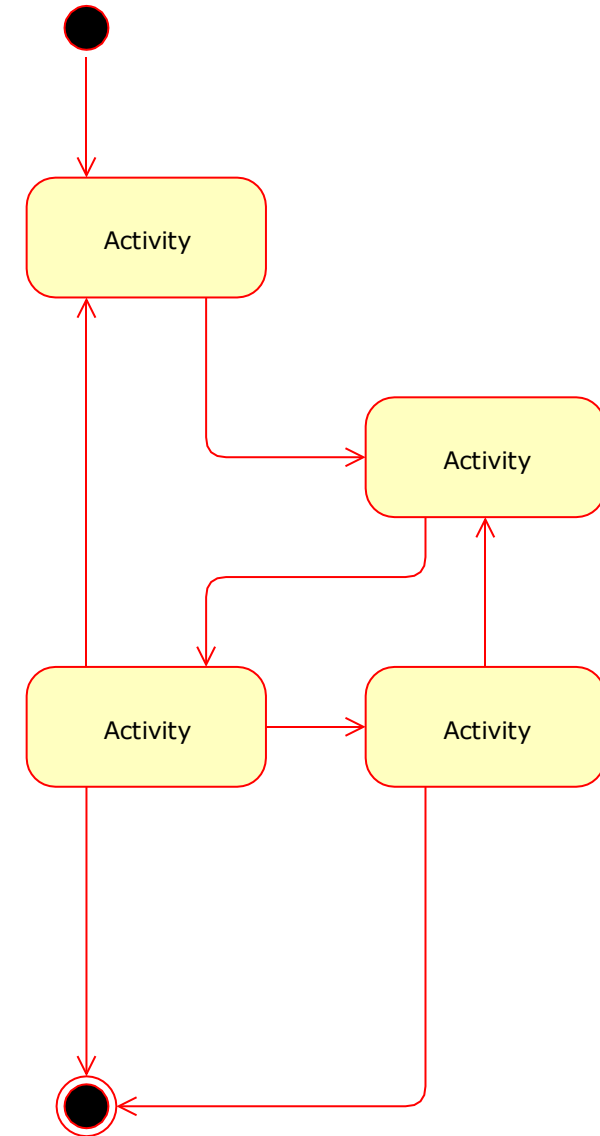
State Diagram (í. stöðurit)

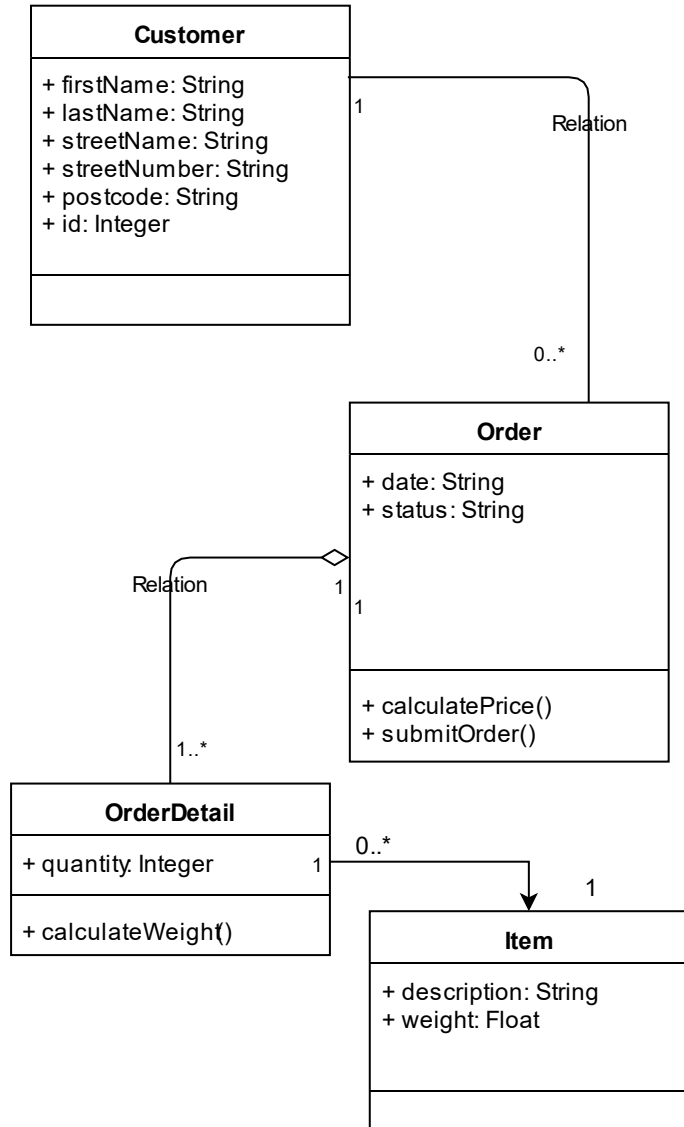
- State Machine Diagram
- Specify the behavior of some part of the system in terms of states and the transition between them
- Systems might behave differently depending on what state they are in, the State Diagram helps explain this behavior



State Diagram (cont.)

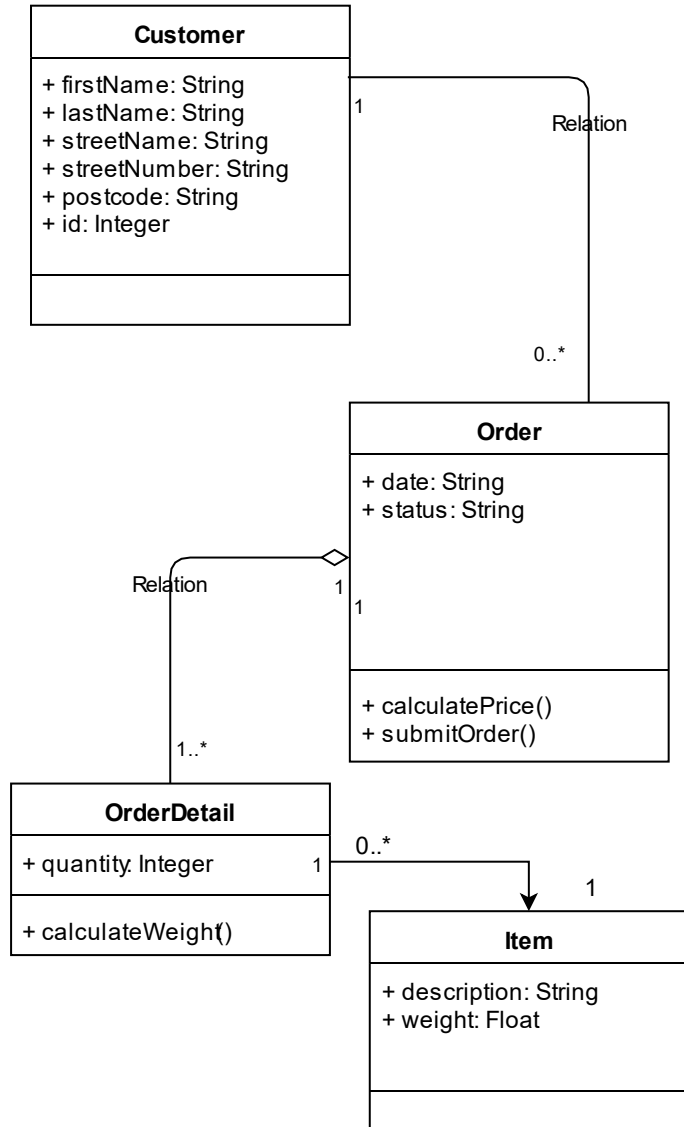
- Concepts:
 - States
 - Initial and final states
 - Transitions
 - Directed
 - Self-pointed transitions
 - Synchronization (join & fork)





Class Diagrams (í. klasarit)

- Model the Terms that are used in the System
- Model collaborations between Classes
- Reason about the System and how it will work
- Provide a basis for implementation in an Object Oriented Language



Class Diagrams (cont.)

- Concepts
 - Attributes
 - Behavior
 - Classes
 - Relationships
 - Inheritance
 - Association
 - Aggregation
 - Composition
 - Dependency



Wrapping up

- UML is not a Programming Language, but a Graphical Modeling Language that can be used to describe Systems and Behavior.
- The Goal for this Course isn't to become Experts in UML, but to be *literate* when it comes to the most used Diagrams, and to **know how** and **when to use them**.

