



# UML- Unified Modeling Language

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  - *Object-Oriented and Classical Software Engineering*, Sixth Edition, WCB/McGraw-Hill, 2005 Stephen R. Schach
  - UML resource page <http://www.uml.org/>



# Outline

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- What is UML and why we use UML?
- How to use UML diagrams to design software system?
- What UML Modeling tools we use today?



# What is UML and Why we use UML?

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- UML → “Unified Modeling Language”
  - Language: express idea, not a methodology
  - Modeling: Describing a software system at a high level of abstraction
  - Unified: UML has become a world standard  
Object Management Group (OMG): [www.omg.org](http://www.omg.org)



# What is UML and Why we use UML?

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- **More description about UML:**
  - It is a industry-standard graphical language for specifying, visualizing, constructing, and documenting the artifacts of software systems
  - The UML uses mostly graphical notations to express the OO analysis and design of software projects.
  - Simplifies the complex process of software design



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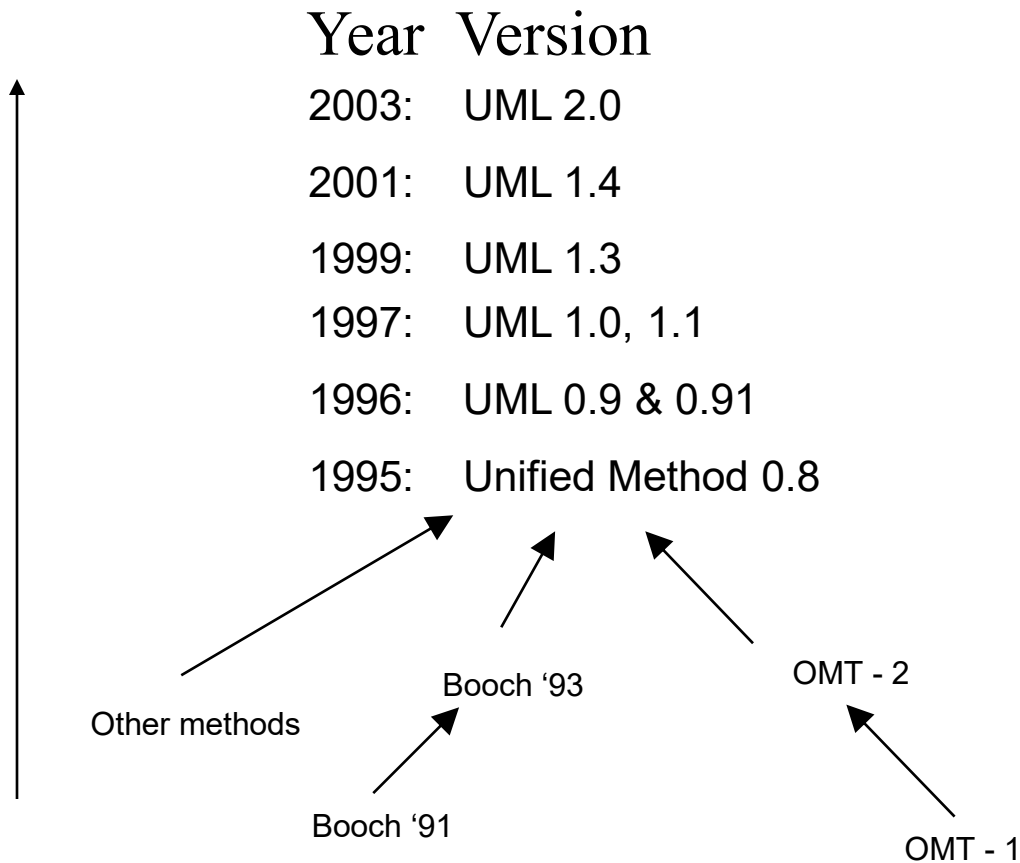
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- Why we use UML?
  - Use graphical notation: more clearly than natural language (imprecise) and code (too detailed).
  - Help acquire an overall view of a system.
  - UML is *not* dependent on any one language or technology.
  - UML moves us from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



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# How to use UML diagrams to design software system?

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## ■ Types of UML Diagrams:

- Use Case Diagram
- Class Diagram
- Sequence Diagram
- Collaboration Diagram
- State Diagram

This is only a subset of diagrams ... but are most widely used



UML diagrams are classified into three categories that are given below:

1. Structural Diagram
2. Behavioral Diagram
3. Interaction Diagram

**Structural Diagram:** It represents the static view of a system by portraying the structure of a system. It shows several objects residing in the system. Following are the structural diagrams given below:

- Class diagram
- Object diagram
- Package diagram
- Component diagram
- Deployment diagram

**Behavioral Diagram:** It depicts the behavioral features of a system. It deals with dynamic parts of the system. It encompasses the following diagrams:

- Activity diagram
- State machine diagram
- Use case diagram

**Interaction diagram:** It is a subset of behavioral diagrams. It depicts the interaction between two objects and the data flow between them. Following are the several interaction diagrams in UML:

- Timing diagram
- Sequence diagram
- Collaboration diagram

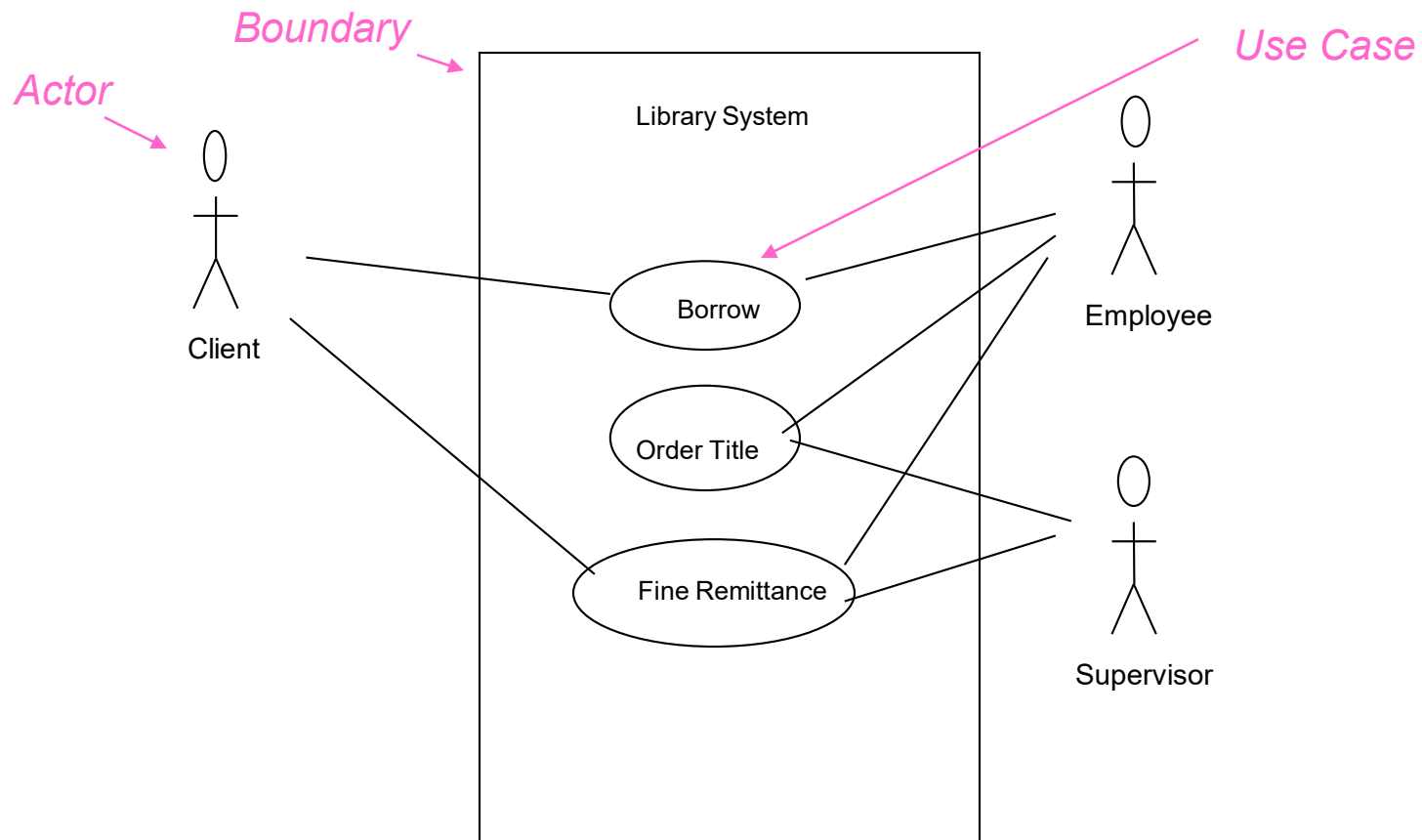


# Use-Case Diagrams

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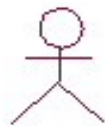
- A use-case diagram is a set of use cases
- A use case is a model of the interaction between
  - External users of a software product (actors) and
  - The software product itself
  - More precisely, an actor is a user playing a specific role
- describing a set of user **scenarios**
- capturing user requirements
- **contract** between end user and software developers

# Use-Case Diagrams



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- **Actors:** A role that a user plays with respect to the system, including human users and other systems. e.g., inanimate physical objects (e.g. robot); an external system that needs some information from the current system.
- **Use case:** A set of scenarios that describing an interaction between a user and a system, including alternatives.
- **System boundary:** rectangle diagram representing the boundary between the actors and the system.



Actor



Use Case



# Use-Case Diagrams

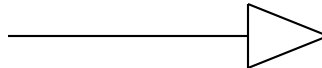
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- Association:

communication between an actor and a use case; Represented by a solid line.



- Generalization: relationship between one general use case and a special use case (used for defining special alternatives) Represented by a line with a triangular arrow head toward the parent use case.



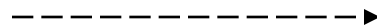


# Use-Case Diagrams

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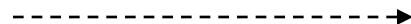
Include: a dotted line labeled <<include>> beginning at base use case and ending with an arrow pointing to the include use case. The include relationship occurs when a chunk of behavior is similar across more than one use case. Use “include” in stead of copying the description of that behavior.

<<include>>



Extend: a dotted line labeled <<extend>> with an arrow toward the base case. The extending use case may add behavior to the base use case. The base class declares “extension points”.

<<extend>>



# Use-Case Diagrams

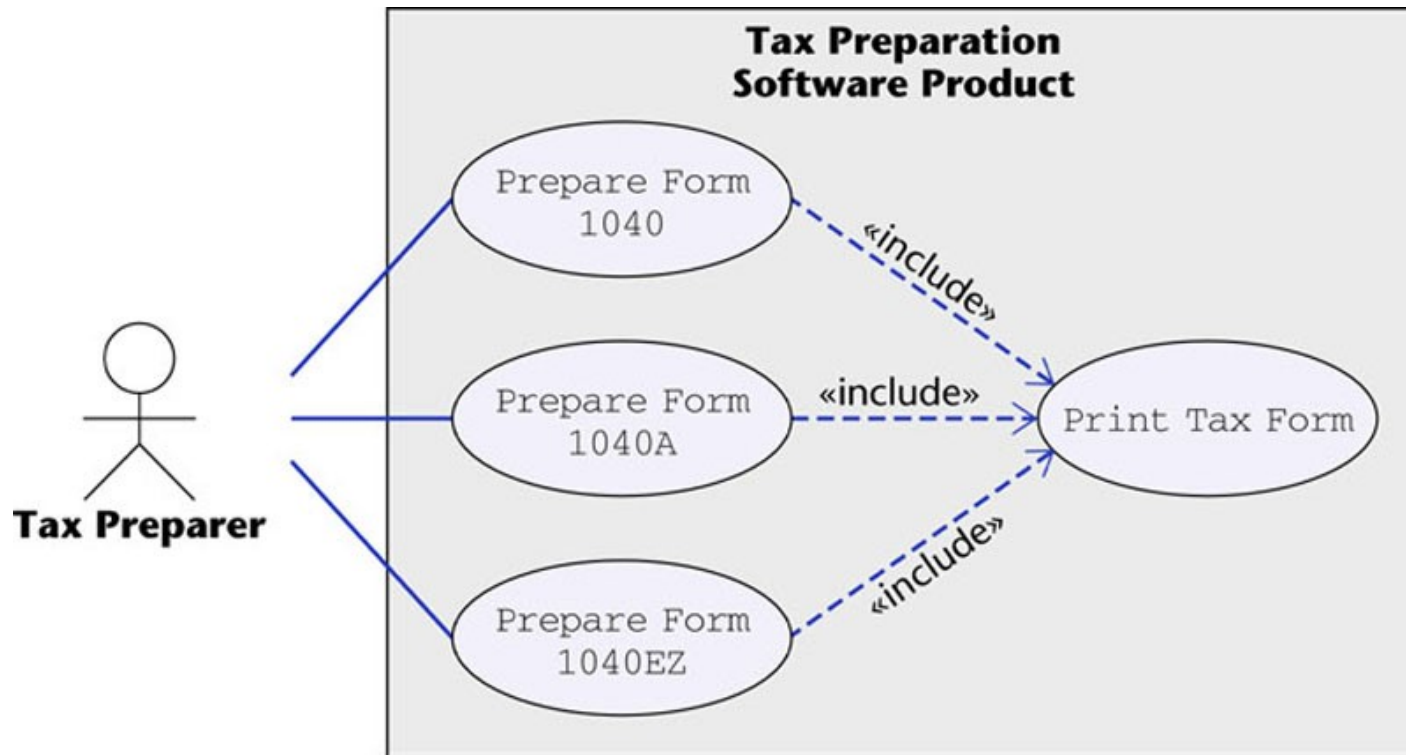
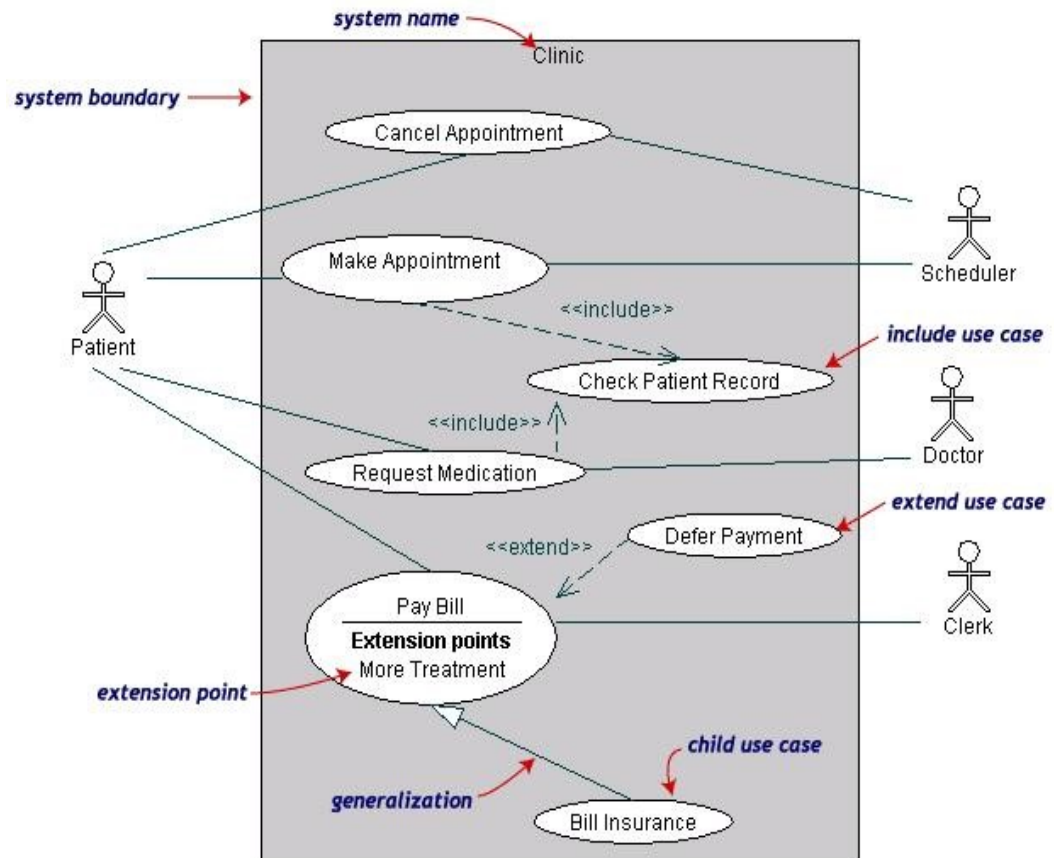


Figure 16.12

# Use-Case Diagrams

- Both **Make Appointment** and **Request Medication** include **Check Patient Record** as a subtask (include)
- The **extension point** is written inside the base case **Pay bill**; the extending class **Defer payment** adds the behavior of this extension point. (extend)
- **Pay Bill** is a parent use case and **Bill Insurance** is the child use case. (generalization)



(TogetherSoft, Inc)





# Class diagram

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- A class diagram depicts classes and their interrelationships
- Used for describing **structure and behavior** in the use cases
- Provide a conceptual model of the system in terms of entities and their relationships
- Used for requirement capture, end-user interaction
- Detailed class diagrams are used for developers



# Class diagram

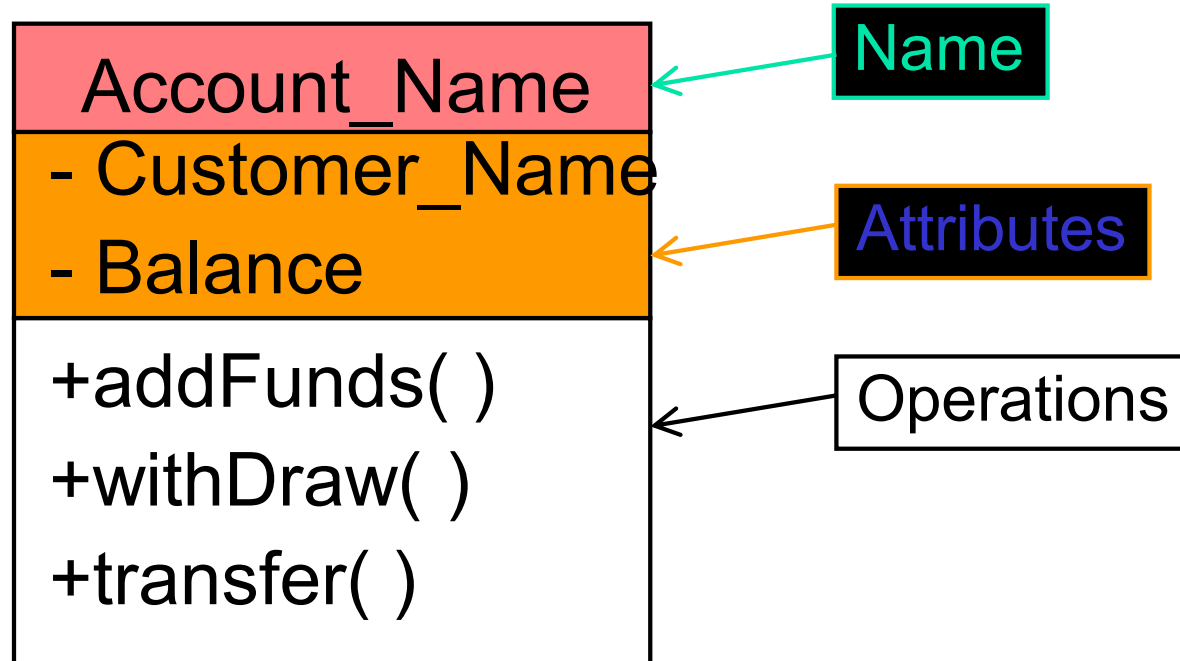
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- Each class is represented by a rectangle subdivided into three compartments
  - Name
  - Attributes
  - Operations
- Modifiers are used to indicate visibility of attributes and operations.
  - '+' is used to denote *Public* visibility (everyone)
  - '#' is used to denote *Protected* visibility (friends and derived)
  - '-' is used to denote *Private* visibility (no one)
- By default, attributes are hidden and operations are visible.



# Class diagram

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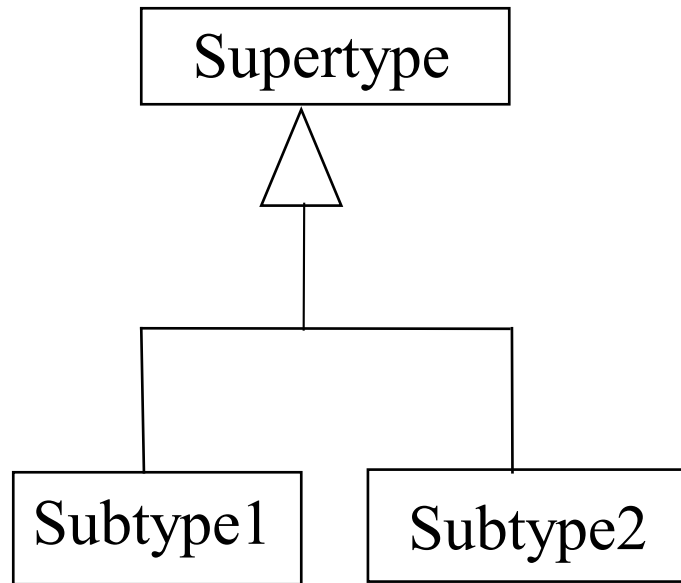


# OO Relationships

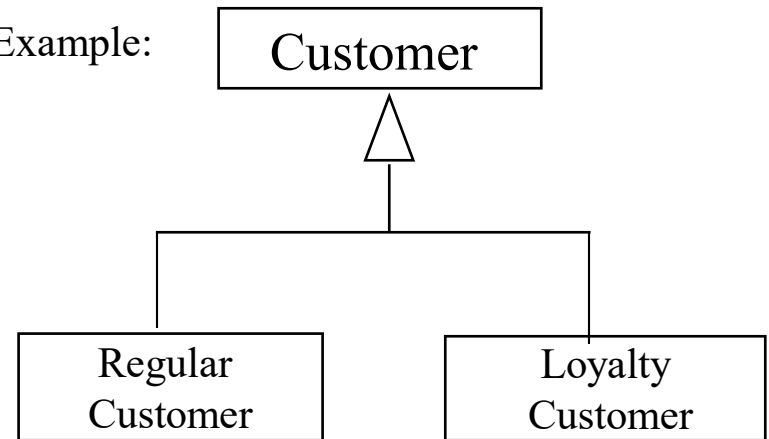
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- There are two kinds of Relationships
  - Generalization (parent-child relationship)
  - Association (student enrolls in course)
- Associations can be further classified as
  - Aggregation
  - Composition

# OO Relationships: Generalization



Example:



- Inheritance is a required feature of object orientation
- Generalization expresses a parent/child relationship among related classes.
- Used for abstracting details in several layers

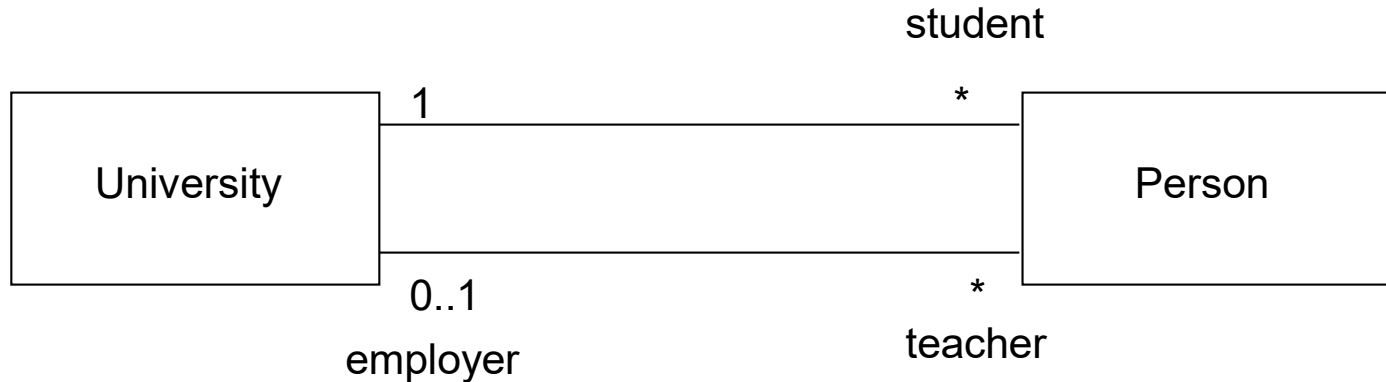


# OO Relationships: Association

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- Represent relationship between instances of classes
  - Student enrolls in a course
  - Courses have students
  - Courses have exams
  - Etc.
- Association has two ends
  - Role names (e.g. enrolls)
  - Multiplicity (e.g. One course can have many students)
  - Navigability (unidirectional, bidirectional)

# Association: Multiplicity and Roles



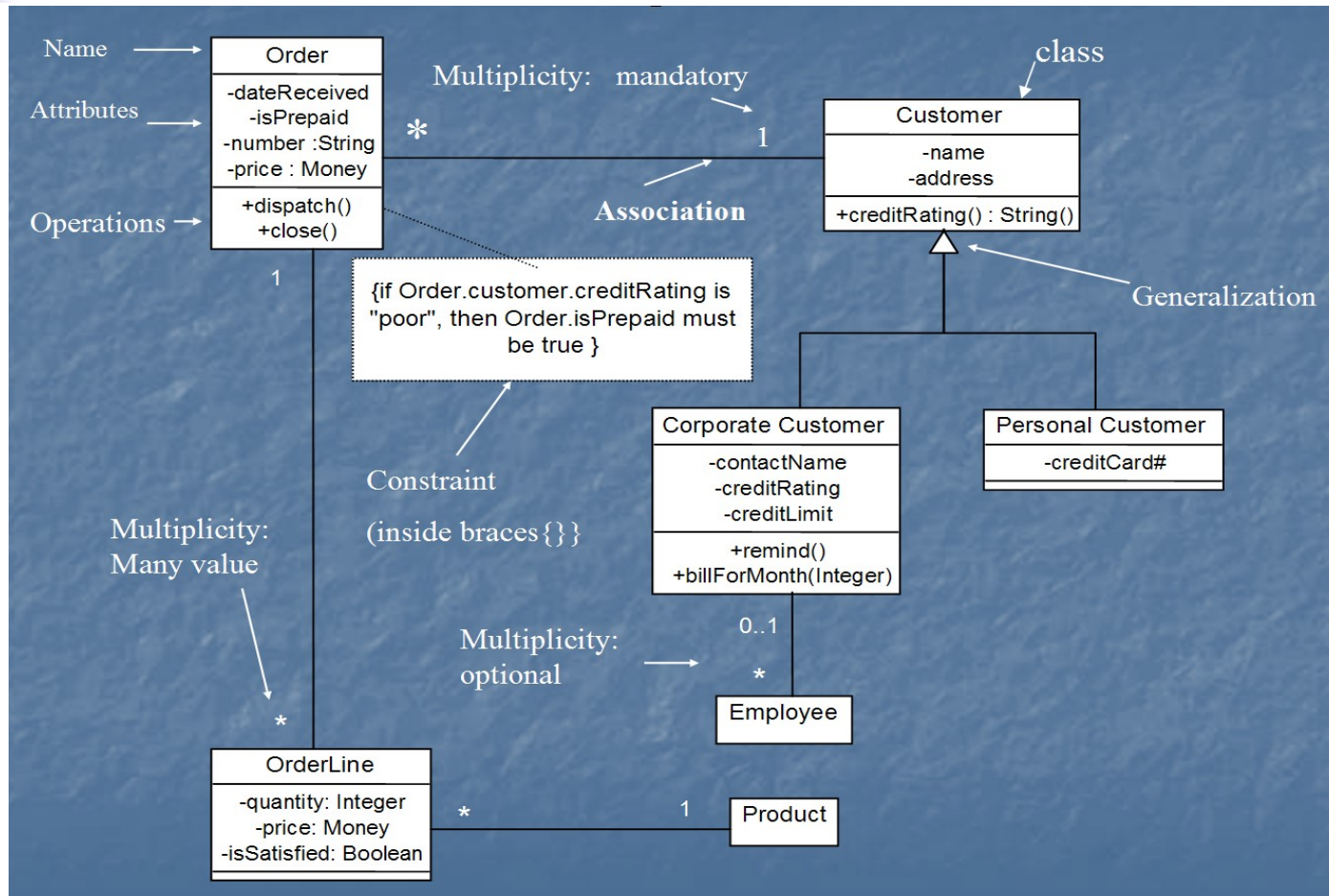
## Multiplicity

Symbol	Meaning
1	One and only one
0..1	Zero or one
M..N	From M to N (natural language)
*	From zero to any positive integer
0..*	From zero to any positive integer
1..*	From one to any positive integer

## Role

*“A given university groups many people; some act as students, others as teachers. A given student belongs to a single university; a given teacher may or may not be working for the university at a particular time.”*

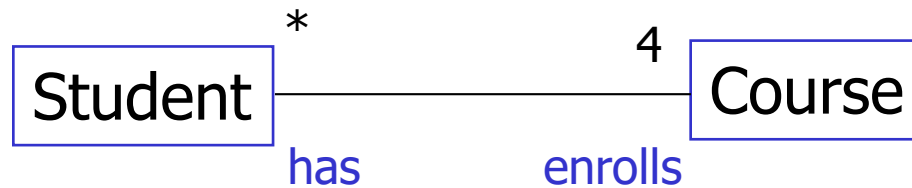
# Class diagram



[from *UML Distilled Third Edition*]



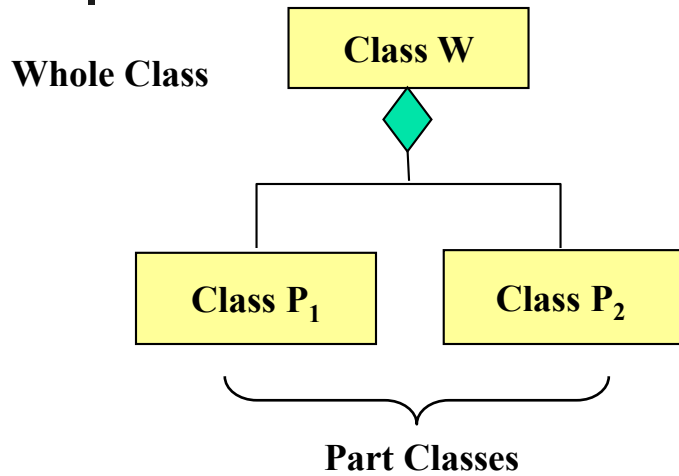
# Association: Model to Implementation



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Class Student {  
    Course enrolls[4];  
}
```

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Class Course {  
    Student have[];  
}
```

# OO Relationships: **Composition**



[From Dr.David A. Workman]

## Example

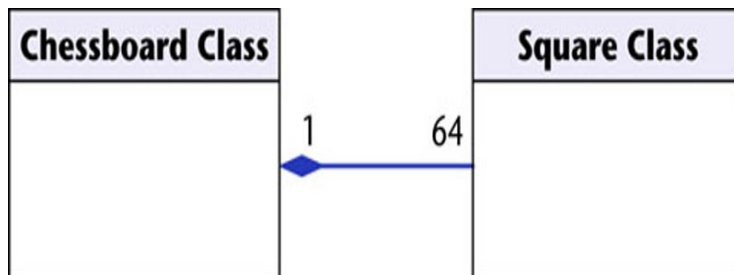


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## Association

Models the part–whole relationship

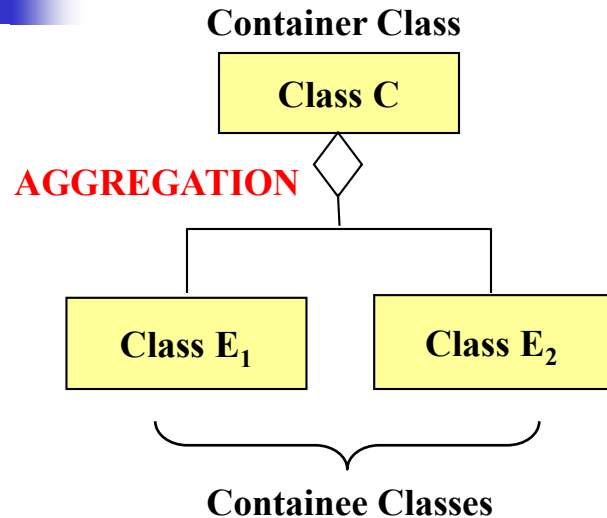
## Composition

Also models the part–whole relationship but, in addition, Every part may belong to only one whole, and If the whole is deleted, so are the parts

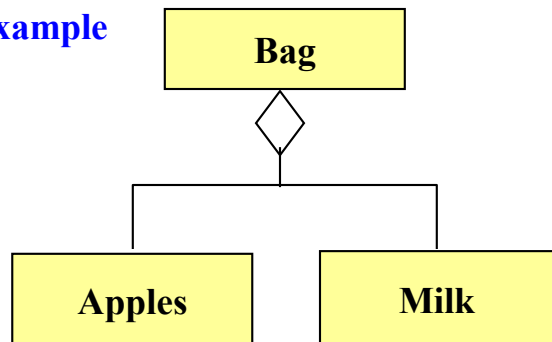
## Example:

A number of different chess boards: Each square belongs to only one board. If a chess board is thrown away, all 64 squares on that board go as well.

# OO Relationships: Aggregation



**Example**



## **Aggregation:**

expresses a relationship among instances of related classes. It is a specific kind of Container-Containee relationship.

express a more informal relationship than composition expresses.

Aggregation is appropriate when Container and Containees have no special access privileges to each other.



# Aggregation vs. Composition

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## ■ **Composition** is really a strong form of **association**

- components have only one owner
- components cannot exist independent of their owner
- components live or die with their owner
- e.g. Each car has an engine that can not be shared with other cars.

## ■ **Aggregations**

may form "part of" the association, but may not be essential to it. They may also exist independent of the aggregate. e.g. Apples may exist independent of the bag.



# Good Practice: CRC Card

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## Class Responsibility Collaborator

- easy to describe how classes work by moving cards around; allows to quickly consider alternatives.

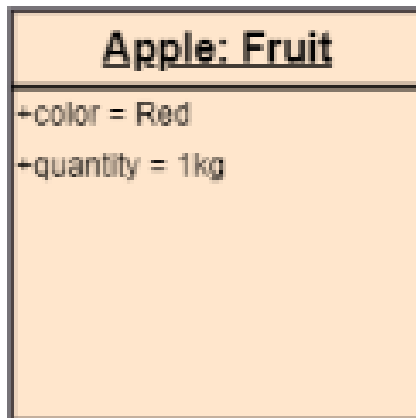
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# Object Diagrams

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## Example of Object Diagram



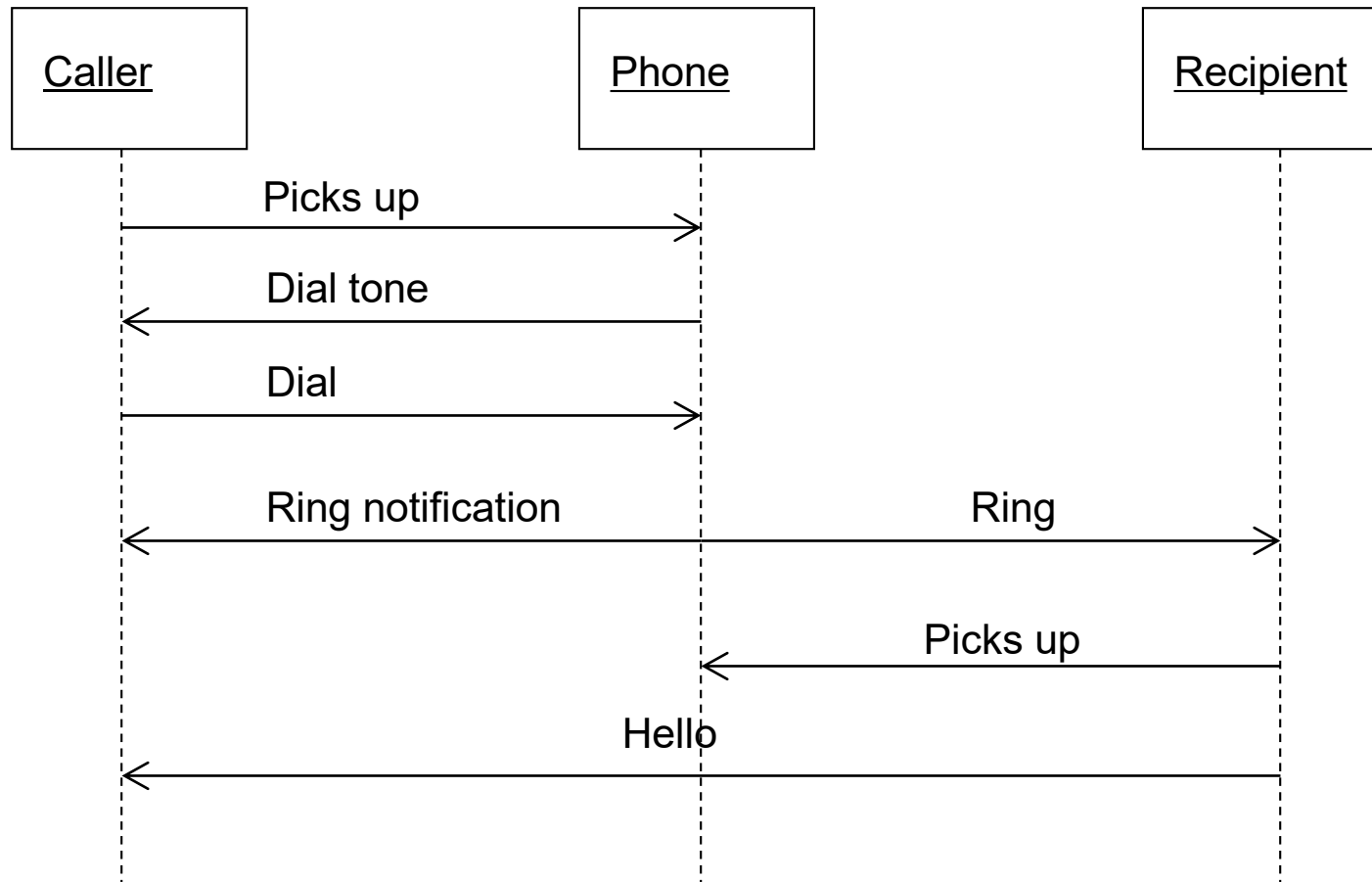


# Interaction Diagrams

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- show how objects interact with one another
- UML supports two types of interaction diagrams
  - Sequence diagrams
  - Collaboration diagrams

# Sequence Diagram(make a phone call)





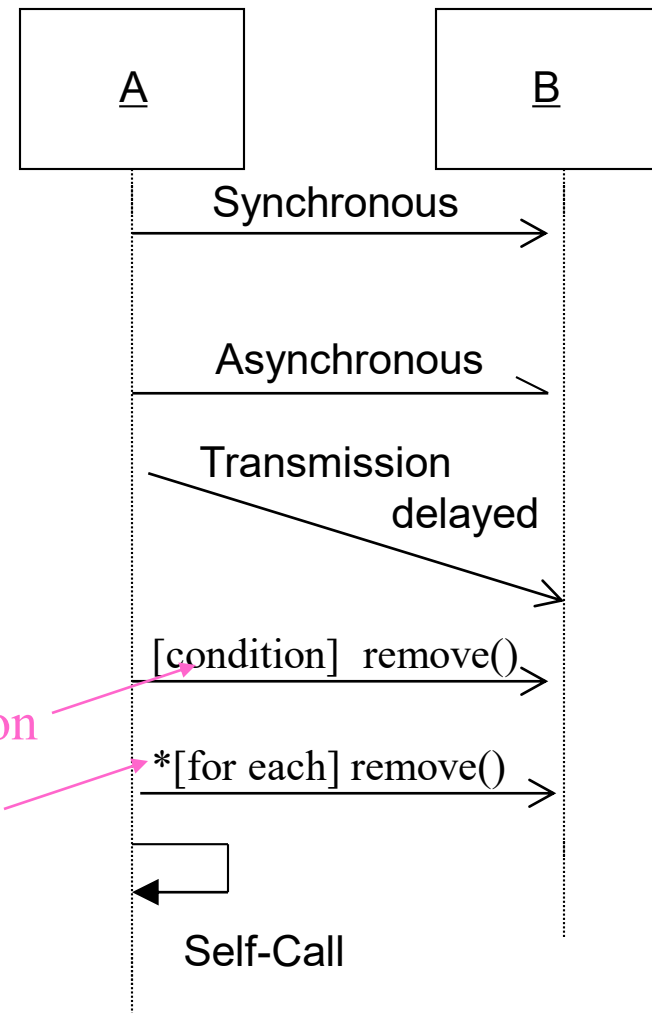
# Sequence Diagram: Object interaction

*Self-Call*: A message that an Object sends to itself.

*Condition*: indicates when a message is sent. The message is sent only if the condition is true.

Condition

Iteration



# Sequence Diagrams – Object Life Spans

## ■ Creation

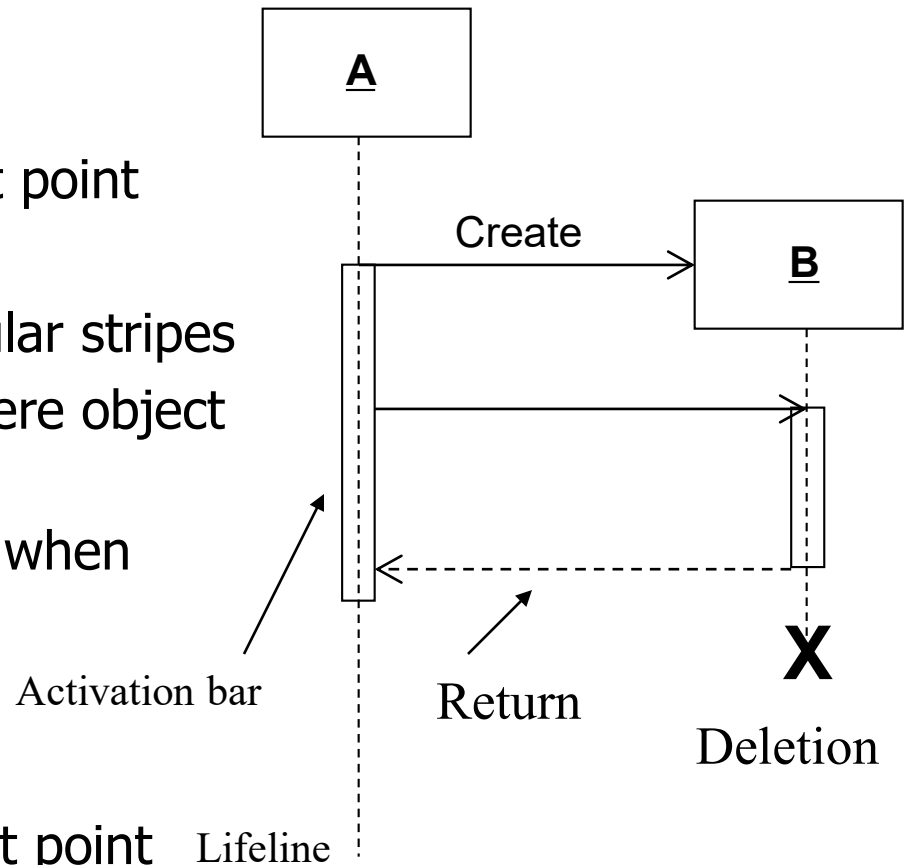
- Create message
- Object life starts at that point

## ■ Activation

- Symbolized by rectangular stripes
- Place on the lifeline where object is activated.
- Rectangle also denotes when object is deactivated.

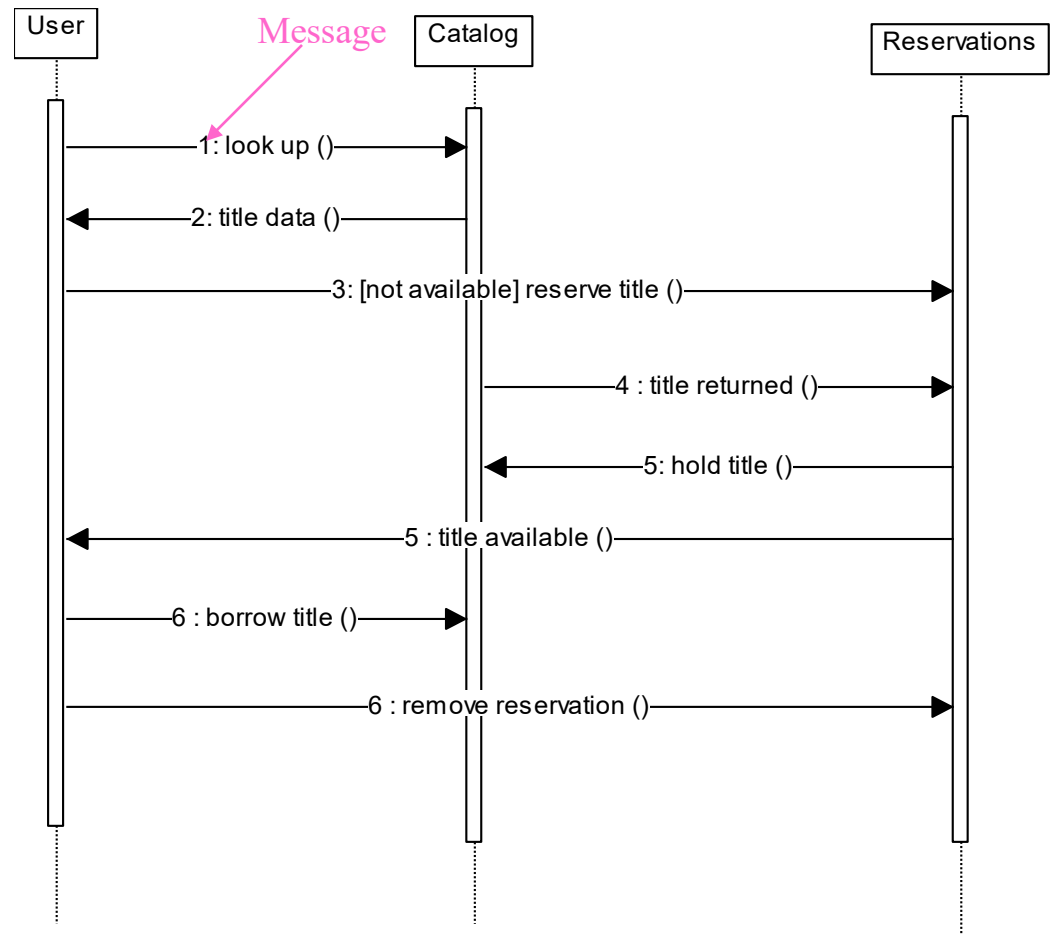
## ■ Deletion

- Placing an 'X' on lifeline
- Object's life ends at that point

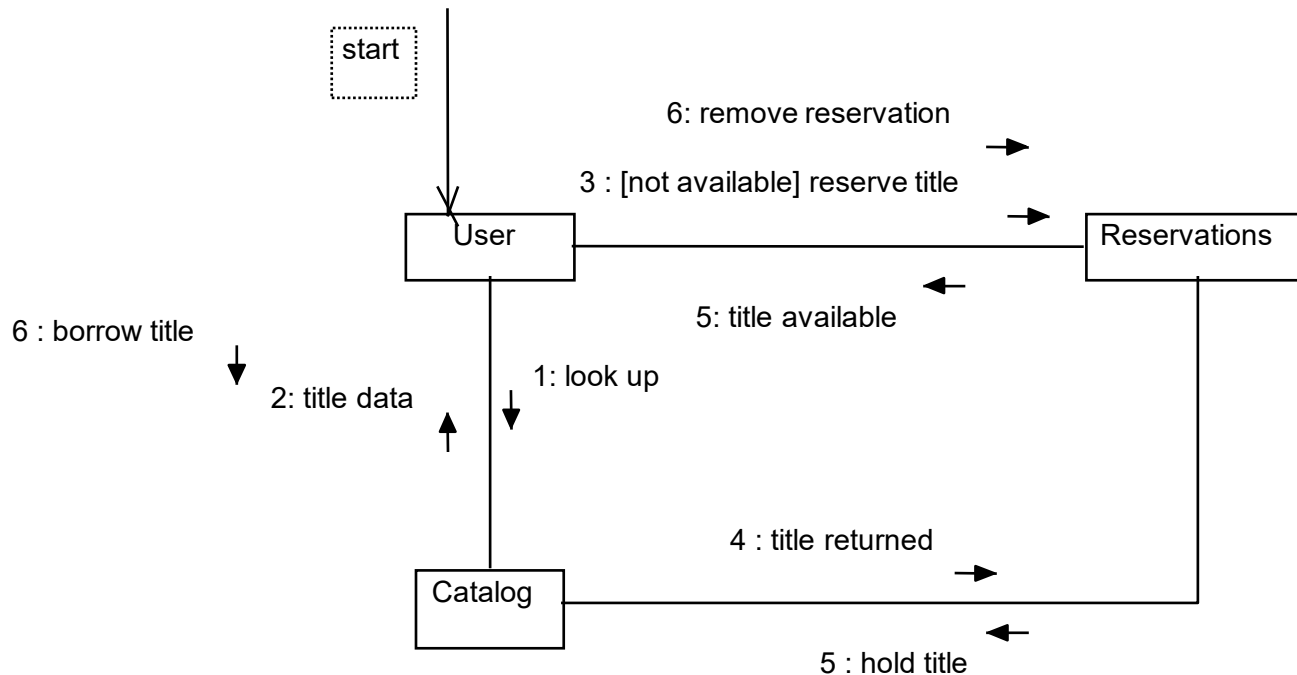


# Sequence Diagram

- Sequence diagrams demonstrate the behavior of objects in a use case by describing the objects and the messages they pass.
- The horizontal dimension shows the objects participating in the interaction.
- The vertical arrangement of messages indicates their order.
- The labels may contain the seq. # to indicate concurrency.



# Interaction Diagrams: Collaboration diagrams



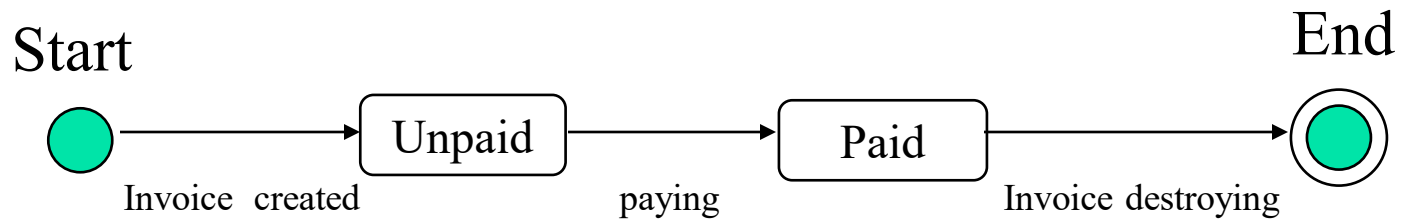
- Collaboration diagrams are equivalent to sequence diagrams. All the features of sequence diagrams are equally applicable to collaboration diagrams
- Use a sequence diagram when the transfer of information is the focus of attention
- Use a collaboration diagram when concentrating on the classes



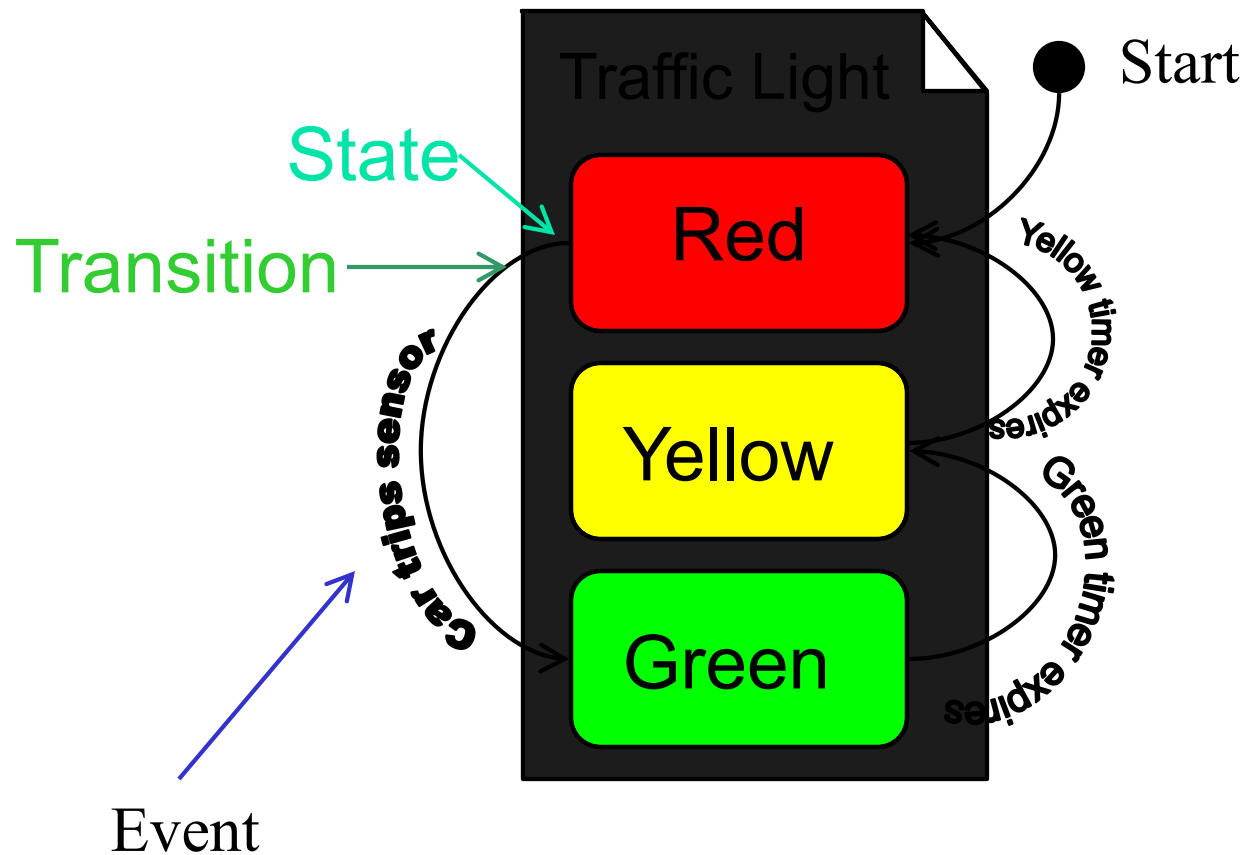
# State Diagrams (Billing Example)

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State Diagrams show the sequences of states an object goes through during its life cycle in response to stimuli, together with its responses and actions; an abstraction of all possible behaviors.



# State Diagrams (Traffic light example)





# What UML Modeling tools we use today?

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- List of UML tools [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_UML\\_tools](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_UML_tools)
- ArgoUML: <http://argouml.tigris.org/>
- Rational Rose ([www.rational.com](http://www.rational.com)) by IBM
- UML Studio 7.1 ( <http://www.pragsoft.com/>) by Pragsoft Corporation:  
Capable of handling very large models (tens of thousands of classes).  
Educational License US\$ 125.00; Freeware version.
- TogetherSoft Control Center; TogetherSoft Solo  
(<http://www.borland.com/together/index.html>) by Borland



# Conclusion

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- UML is a standardized specification language for object modeling
- Several UML diagrams:
  - use-case diagram: a number of use cases (use case models the interaction between actors and software)
  - Class diagram: a model of classes showing the static relationships among them including association and generalization.
  - Sequence diagram: shows the way objects interact with one another as messages are passed between them. Dynamic model
  - State diagram: shows states, events that cause transitions between states. Another dynamic model reflecting the behavior of objects and how they react to specific event
- There are several UML tools available





Thank you

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