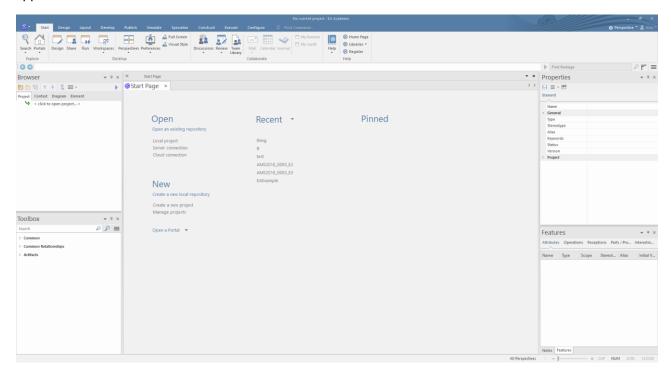
Basics

Note that there are multiple ways to do these things within the program, this guide merely shows some.

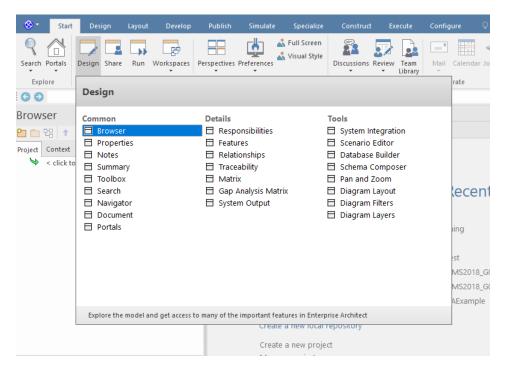
EA options

During this guide certain tabs will be used to add or edit element, change settings, etc. This is what the application window that will be used looks like



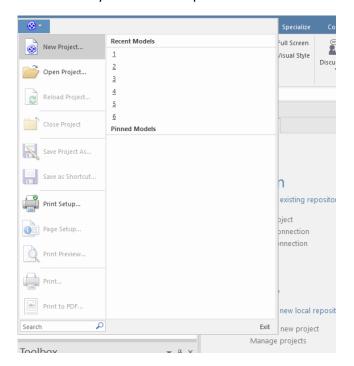
To turn on each of these tabs you go to Start -> Design and then choose the ones you want.

The ones being used are Browser, Toolbox, Properties and Features. You can drag them around into different positions, add them as tabs to the same section of the window etc. Customize your UI as you prefer.



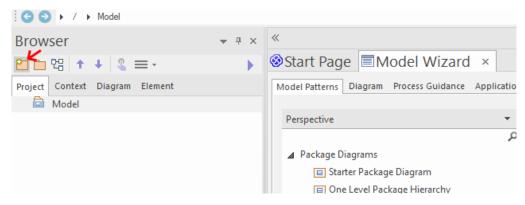
New projects

To create a project you can click the EA symbol on the top left corner and select New Project



Once you have saved the file you can add as many models as you want using the Model Wizard

You can access the Model Wizard with the option shown in the picture:

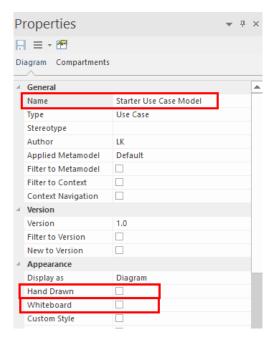


You can also right-click Model and select Add a Model using Wizard.

This will show the Model Wizard next to the Start Page, you select that tab and choose which Model you wish to add. Note that the Model will be added to the selected section in the browser (if you have another Model selected the new one will be created inside it, usually you just select the root of the tree).

Properties & Features

When you have a diagram open but you are not selecting anything within it the properties tab will show options for the diagram itself that you can edit. Of particular note are the name of the diagram and the ability to toggle Hand Drawn and Whiteboard.

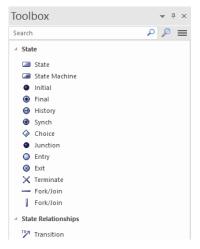


While Hand Drawn and Whiteboard are both merely style choices, Whiteboard can improve the readability of diagrams where colour adds nothing and Hand Drawn can be quite annoying if you like you diagrams with straight lines.

When you select anything the Properties and the Features sections will display the available information for the selection. You can always edit an element's name in this tab when you select it.

Adding Elements

All possible elements for the opened diagram are available in the toolbox, you can add them by dragging them in. Example from the State Machine Diagram:

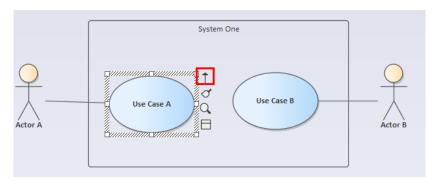


If it is an element that is inside of another you must drag and drop inside the element. Ports for the Internal Block Diagram or sub-states in the State Machine Diagram for example.

Adding Connectors

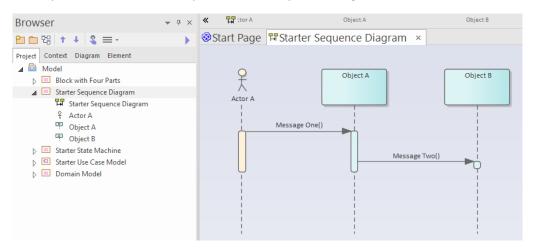
There is a small detail for connectors, let us take the Use Case Diagram as an example.

Whether you add a relationship from the toolbox or use the connect option (see next figure), you always have to click the origin and hold down the mouse button while you drag to the destination. If you drag to an empty space you get a prompt to add a new element.



Keeping track of the Elements

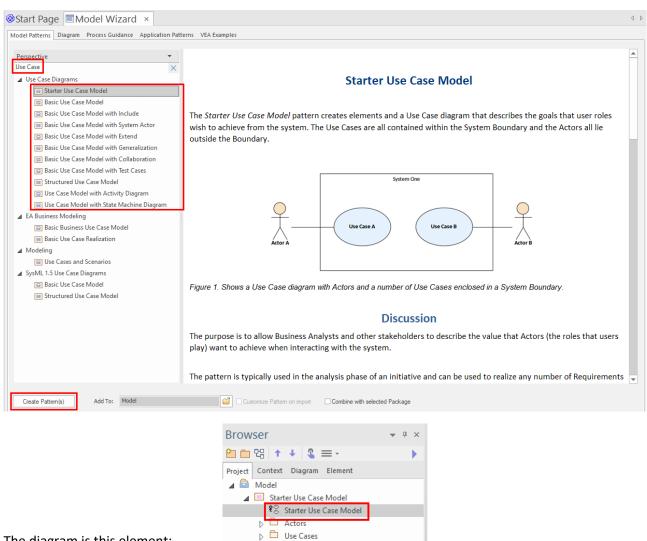
All elements on the diagrams are visible on the tree in the browser, you can add them to the diagram by dragging (in case you delete them). Example from the Sequence Diagram



Use Cases

Adding the Model

Searching by Use Case (or scrolling down to it) you can select the pattern that is closest to what you need or just the basic one.



The diagram is this element:

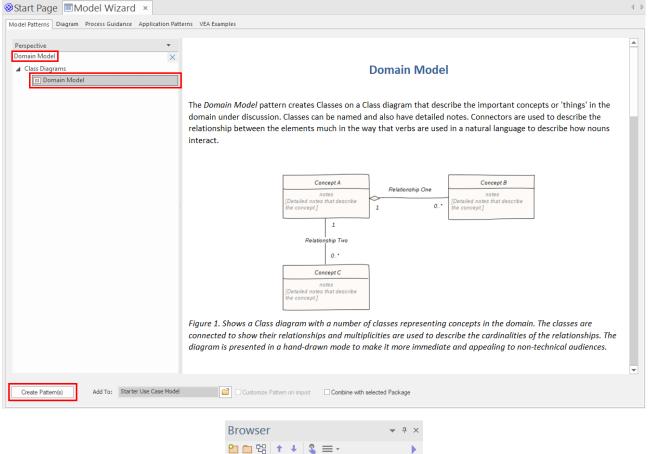
Element details

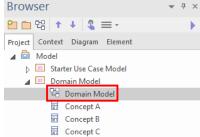
No element has any detail beyond what was outlined in the basics.

UML – Domain Model

Adding the Model

Searching by Domain Model (or scrolling down to it) you can select the pattern for Domain Model.





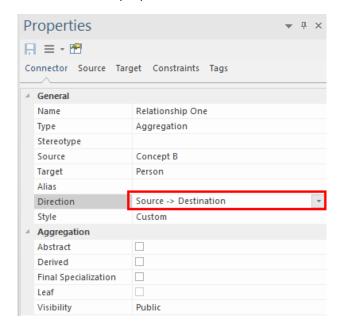
The diagram is this element:

This diagram comes with Hand Drawn by default

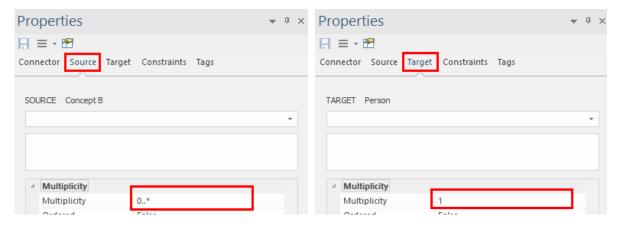
Element details

Relationships

The Relationships can be re-oriented in their properties:

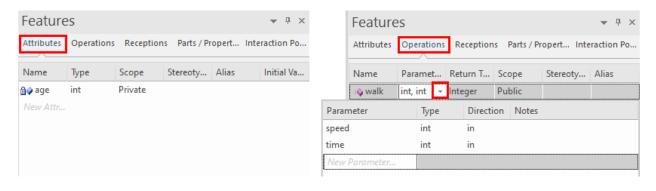


You can edit the multiplicity in the Source and Target tabs of the Properties:



Classes, Enumerations and Data Types

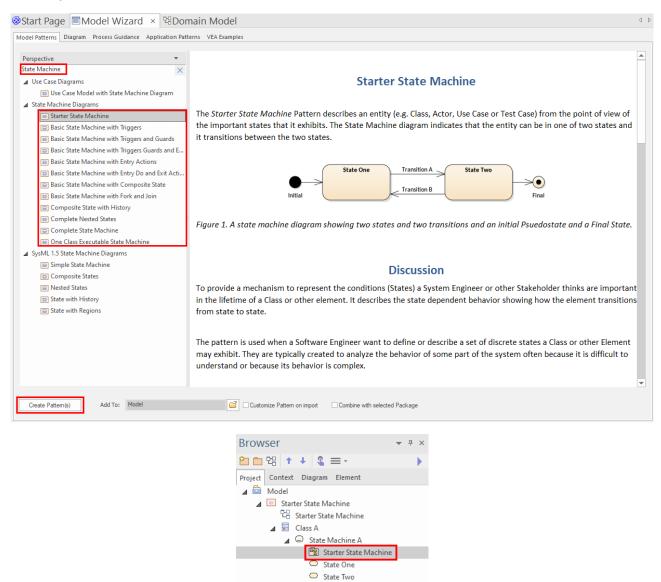
When these are selected you view/edit/add/delete Attributes and Operations in the respective tabs within the Features. Within an Operation you can view/edit/add/delete its parameters:



UML – State Machine Diagrams

Adding the Model

Searching by State Machine (or scrolling down to it) you can select the pattern that is closest to what you need or just the starter one.



InitialFinal

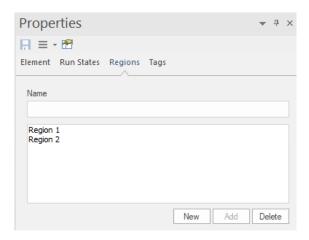
The diagram is this element:

Element details

Composite States

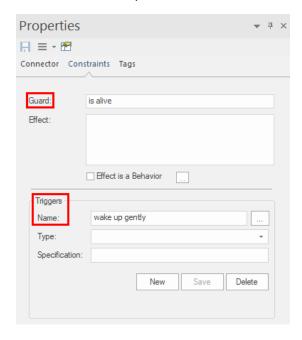
As mentioned you simply need to drag a state into another, whether it is a new one from the toolbox of an already existing one. You can resize each state to fit what you need.

If you wish to define regions within the composite state, you can do so in the Regions tab of Properties:

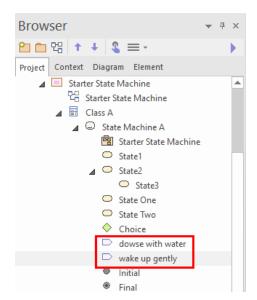


Transitions

You can edit the Guard and the Trigger in the Constraints tab of Properties:



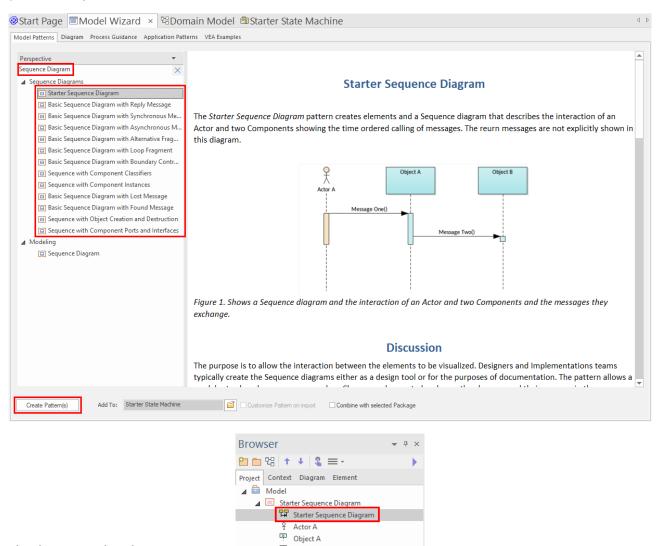
If you create multiple triggers for a Transition you can still edit them all by selecting the desired one in the Browser:



Sequence Diagrams

Adding the Model

Searching by Sequence Diagram (or scrolling down to it) you can select the pattern that is closest to what you need or just the starter one.



The diagram is this element:

Element details

Actors and Lifelines

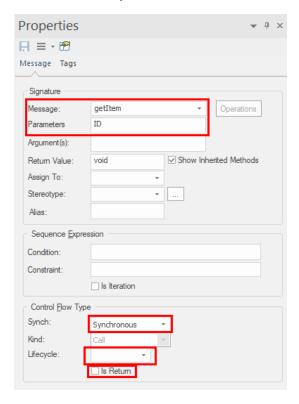
There have no special options, note that when you add them they are always lined up at the start point of the diagram.

Object B

Messages

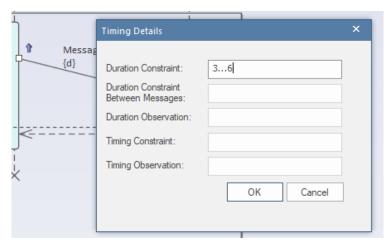
These control the look of the diagram.

As it relates to the look of the message itself you can define whether it is a Return or not, whether it is Synchronous or Asynchronous and its name and parameters



But beyond that you can also control the lifecycle of the target lifeline. If you select New in Lifecycle then this will become a creation message, if you select Delete this will become a destruction message. The lifeline will adjust accordingly, moving the Object/Actor down or adding the X.

If you want to represent a delay for a message you can right click it and select Timing Details. Fill out the Duration Constraint field and the message will now be non-instantaneous.

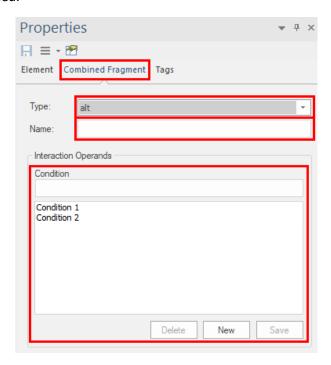


If you wish to reorder messages or drag into/out of fragment pay attention to the tooltip:

Use Shift or Alt or Enable Reorder Messages from Layout

Fragments

In the Combined Fragment tab of Properties you can select the type of fragment, add a name if needed and defined conditions if needed.

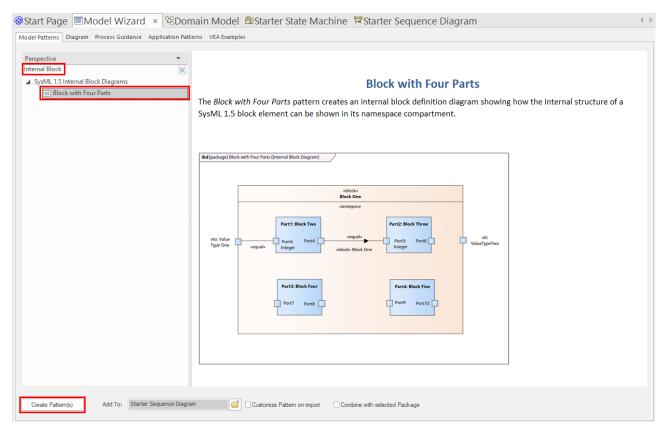


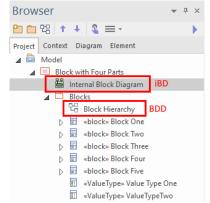
BDD & iBD

Adding the Model

This one is a special case, by adding the iBD model you also get a BDD diagram.

Searching by Internal Block (or scrolling down to it) you can select the pattern for Block with Four Parts.





The diagrams are these elements:

Element details

Since we are dealing with two diagrams at once, after you drag in a new element you will have to use the Browser to add some of them to the other diagram.

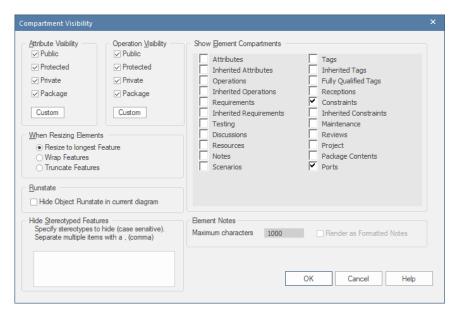
Blocks

New Blocks are added in the BDD, once a block is added it will be visible in the Browser and can be added to the IBD by dragging and dropping it from there.

As in the Domain Model, you can view/edit/add/delete Attributes in the Attribute tab of Features:



In order to select what each Block displays in the BDD you can right-click it and select Compartment Visibility...:

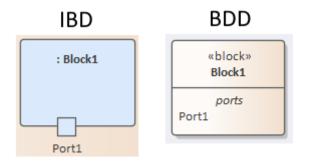


Ports

For this section it is assumed that the Block you are adding a Port for is already in both diagram and that the ports are set as visible in the Compartment Visibility.

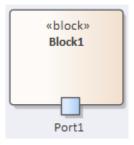
Option 1:

Add the port in the IBD diagram by dragging and dropping a Port from the toolbox into the middle of the Block. You can drag the port around afterwards to the position you prefer. The port appears automatically in the BDD diagram.

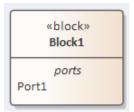


Option 2:

Add the Port in the BDD diagram by dragging and dropping a Port from the toolbox into the middle of the Block. The Port will look like this:



Select the Port (the blue square) and press delete, the Port will now appear in the port section of the Block:



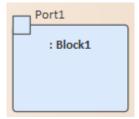
Now on the IBD this new port will not be visible:



Select the Block and in the Interaction Points tab of the Features you can toggle the Port as visible:



Once you do you will get the port as desired in the IBD:



Connectors

As seen before you can edit the multiplicity in the Source and Target tabs of Properties:

