UML Package Diagrams Overview

Package diagram is **UML structure diagram** which shows structure of the designed system at the level of **packages**. The following elements are typically drawn in a package diagram: **package**, **packageable element**, **dependency**, **element import**, **package import**, **package merge**.

Model diagram is UML auxiliary **structure diagram** which shows some abstraction or specific view of a system, to describe architectural, logical or behavioral aspects of the system. It could show, for example, architecture of a multi-layered (aka multi-tiered) application - **multi-layered application model**.

Package Diagram

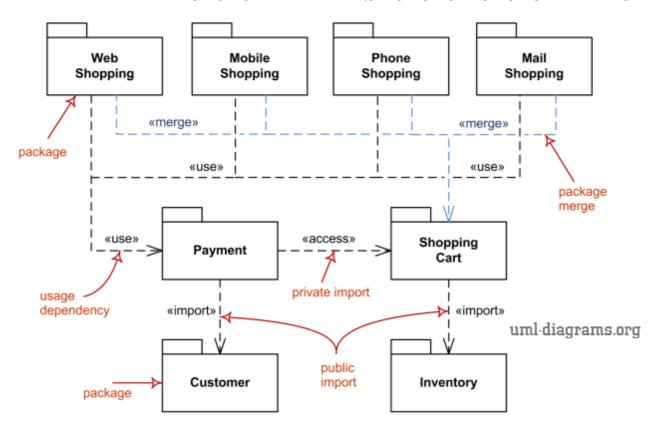
Some major elements of the package diagram are shown on the drawing below. Web Shopping, Mobile Shopping, Phone Shopping, and Mail Shopping **packages merge** Shopping Cart package. The same 4 packages **use** Payment package. Both Payment and Shopping Cart packages **import** other packages.



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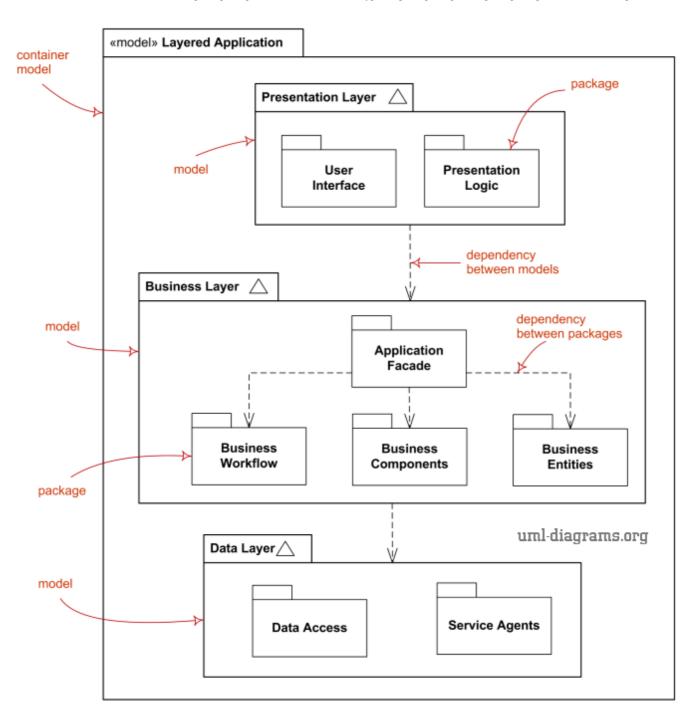
UML package diagram elements - package, import, access, use, merge.

Model Diagram

Model diagram is UML auxiliary **structure diagram** which shows some abstraction or specific view of a system, to describe some architectural, logical or behavioral aspects of the system.

The drawing below shows some major elements of the model diagram. Layered Application is a "container" model which contains three other models - Presentation Layer, Business Layer, and Data Layer. There are dependencies defined between these contained models.





UML model diagram elements - model, package, dependency.

Models usually contain **packages**. Packages could have **dependencies** or other relationships, e.g. **import**, defined between them.

You can find some **examples of package diagrams** here:

Multi-Layered Application Model



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