



SS ZG514 Object Oriented Analysis and Design

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Interaction Diagrams

Interaction Diagram

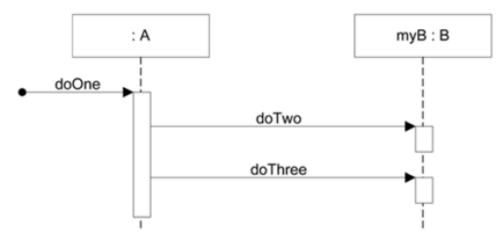
- Shows interaction among objects within a system
- Dynamic or behavioral diagrams
- Scenario specific diagram

Two types:

- Sequence Diagram
- Communication Diagram
- Both differ in format, layout and notations.
- Draw only one type to depict the interaction among objects.

Sequence Diagram

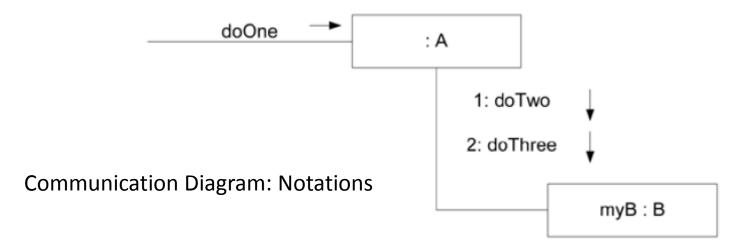
- Illustrate interactions in a kind of fence format.
- Shows interaction between the objects within the System.
- Messages are layered in order to depict the sequence of messages.
 Hence no need to number the messages.
- Execution Specification bar is used to represent focus of control.
 Uncommon is UML sketching.



Sequence Diagram: Notations

Communication Diagram

- Illustrates object interaction in a graph or network format
- Do not represent the external actors
- Messages to be numbered sequentially; drawn as solid lines
- Separate arrows are drawn to represent the direction of messages
- Do not number the first message



Communication or Sequence Diagram



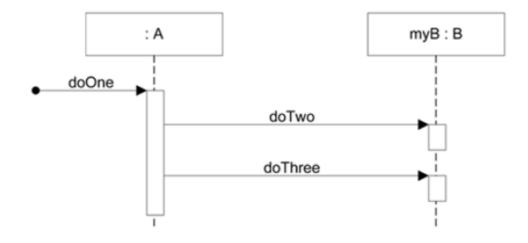
- If the numbers of messages is too large -> go for sequence diagram.
- If the number of objects is very large > go for communication diagram



Sequence Diagrams

Representation in code

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public class A
private B myB = new B();
public void doOne()
  myB.doTwo();
  myB.doThree();
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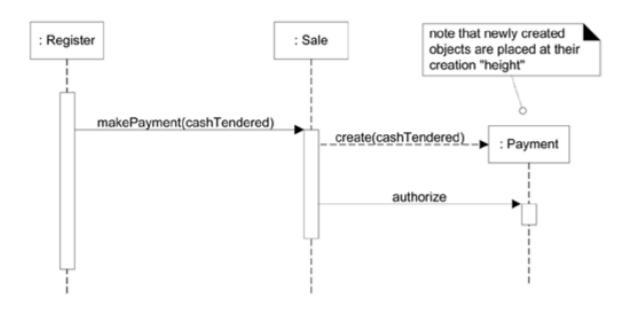


Sequence Diagram

Creation of instances: Sequence Diagram



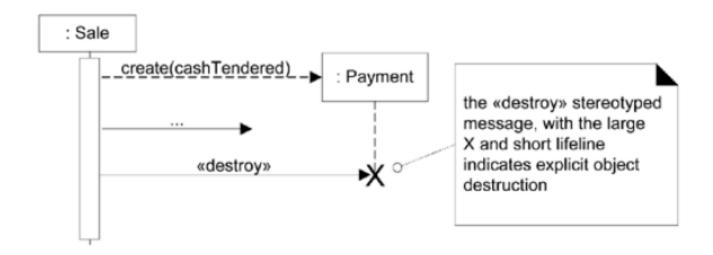
A newly created object is placed at their creation height.



Sequence Diagram: Notations

Object Destruction: Sequence Diagram



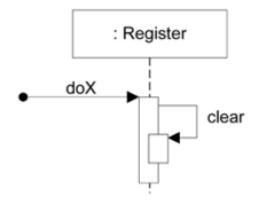


Sequence Diagram: Notations

Messages to 'self' or 'this': Sequence Diagram



- A message can be sent from an object to itself.
- This is illustrated by a link to itself, with messages flowing along the link.



Sequence Diagram: Notations

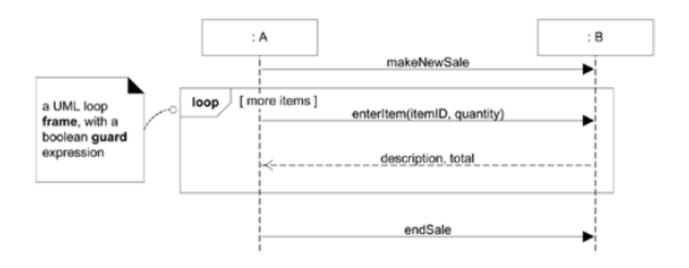
Diagram frames: Sequence Diagram



- Used to support conditional and looping constructs
- Frames are regions or fragments of the diagram
- Consist of a operator or label (such as loop) and a guard (conditional clause)
- The guard clause should be placed over the lifeline to which it belongs

Frame Operators

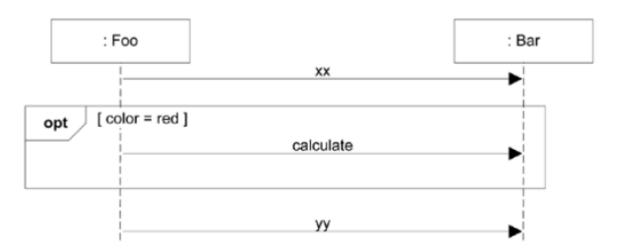
Frame Operator	Meaning
alt	Alternative fragment for mutual exclusion conditional logic expressed in the guards.
loop	Loop fragment while guard is true. Can also write <i>loop (n)</i> to indicate looping n times.
opt	Optional fragment that executes if guard is true.



Sequence Diagram: Notations for loop interaction frame

Conditional Messages

- OPT frame is placed around one or messages.
- Guard is placed over the related lifeline.

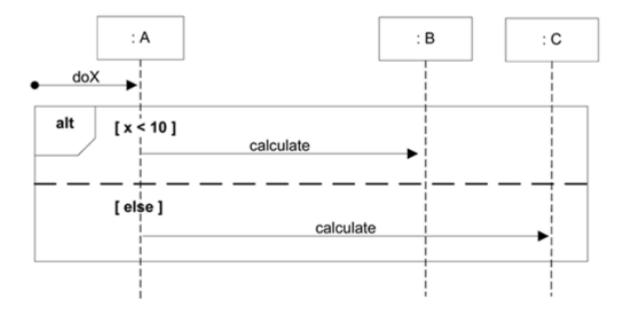


Sequence Diagram: Notations for opt interaction frame

Mutually exclusive Conditional Messages

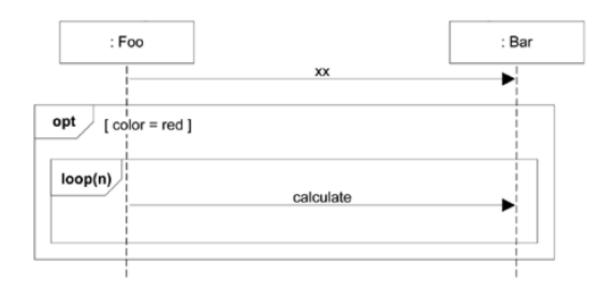


 ALT frame is placed around mutually exclusive alternatives



Sequence Diagram: Notations for alt interaction frame

Nesting of frames



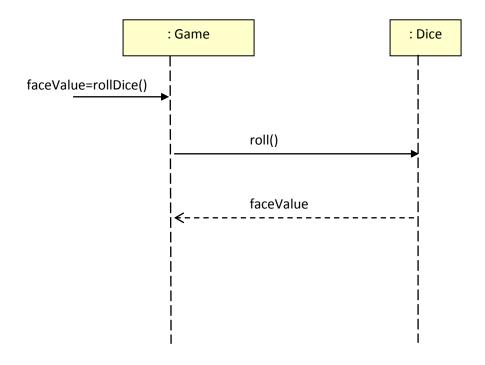
Sequence Diagram: Notations for depicting nesting of frames



Exercise: Sequence Diagram

For the Snakes and Ladders case study, draw the sequence diagram for roll the dice scenario.

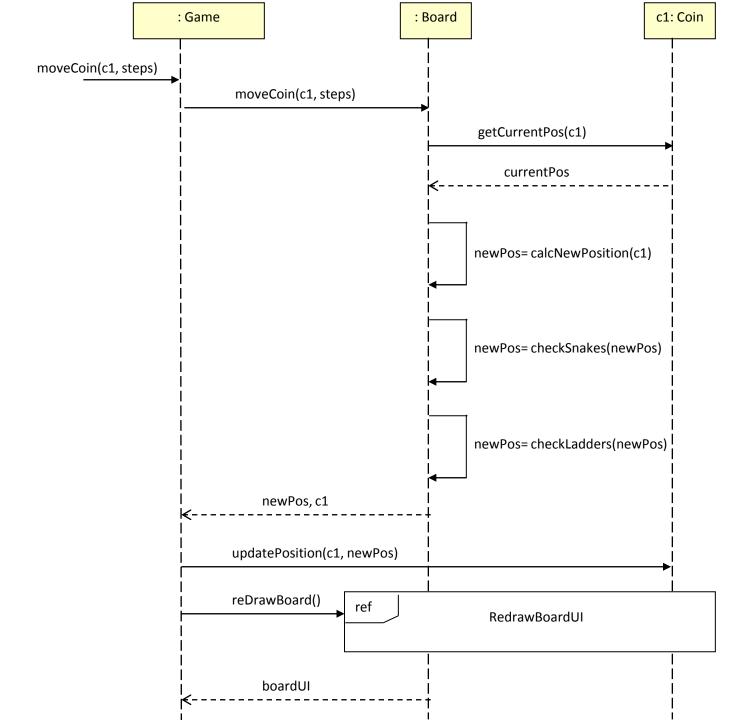
Solution:





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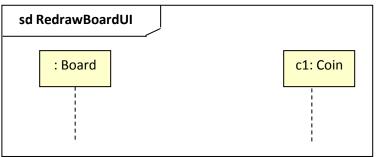
For the Snakes and Ladders case study, draw the sequence diagram for moving a coin on the board.





Relating Sequence Diagrams

- An interaction occurrence (also called interaction use) is a reference to an interaction within another interaction.
- Useful for simplifying diagrams or for reusability of diagrams.
- Created using two related frames:
 - a frame around an entire sequence diagram, labeled with the tag sd and a name
 - a frame tagged re, called a reference, that refers to another named sequence diagram



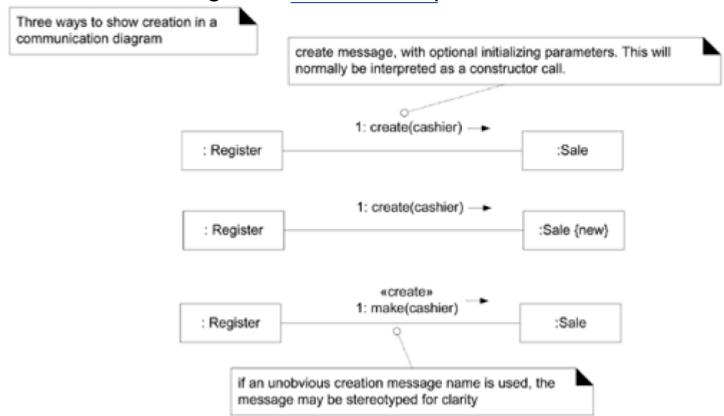


Communication Diagrams

Creation of instances: Communication Diagram

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- An object might be responsible for creation of another object
- A create message with associated parameters is sent

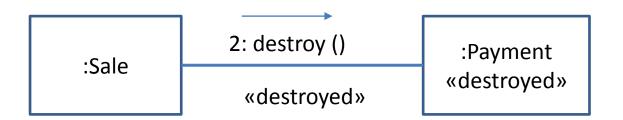


Communication Diagram: Notations

Object Destruction: Communication Diagram



- A destroy message is sent to end the life of an object
- Use the «destroy» stereotype tag to emphasize destruction or end of life of the object

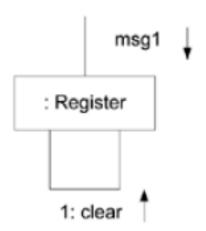


Destroy messages in Communication Diagram

Messages to 'self' or 'this': Communication Diagram



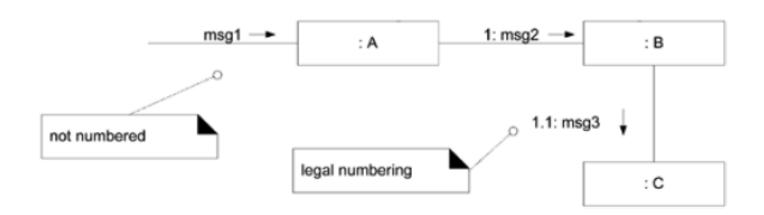
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Communication Diagram: Notations

Message numbering: Communication Diagram

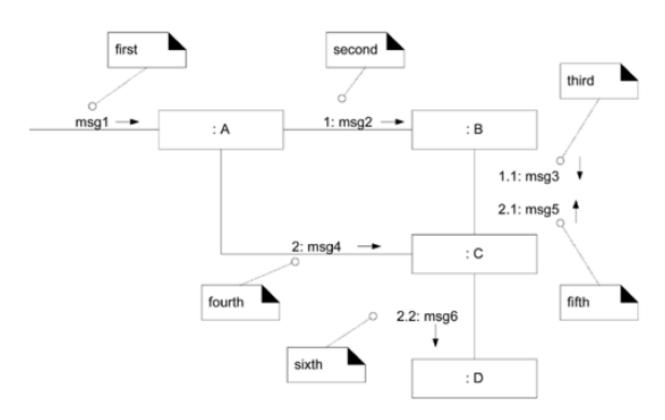




Simple numbering of messages in Communication Diagram

Message numbering: Communication Diagram



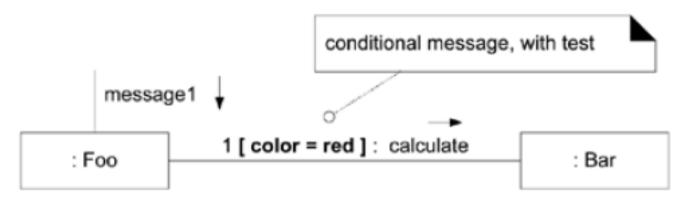


Indexed numbering of messages in Communication Diagram

Conditional Messages: Communication Diagrams



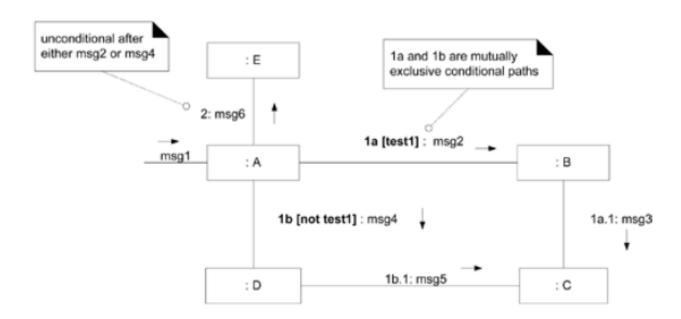
- Place the conditional message within square brackets after the sequence number.
- The message is only sent if the clause evaluates to true.



Conditional messages in Communication Diagram

Mutually exclusive conditional paths

Modify the sequence number for mutually exclusive conditions

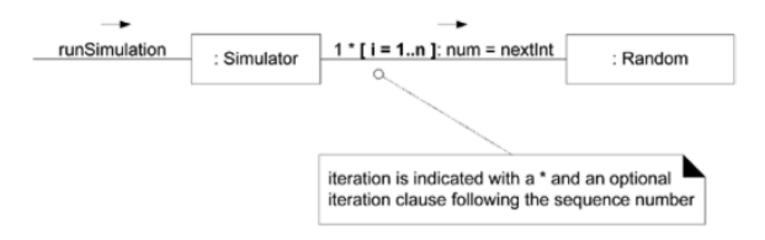


Mutually exclusive conditional paths in Communication Diagram

Iterations: Communication Diagrams



- Iteration is represented using a *
- An optional iteration clause can be placed following the sequence number

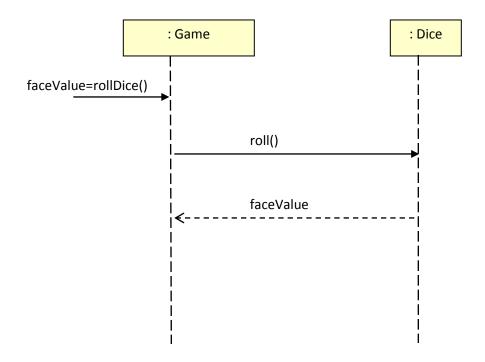


Iterations in Communication Diagram

Exercise: Communication Diagram

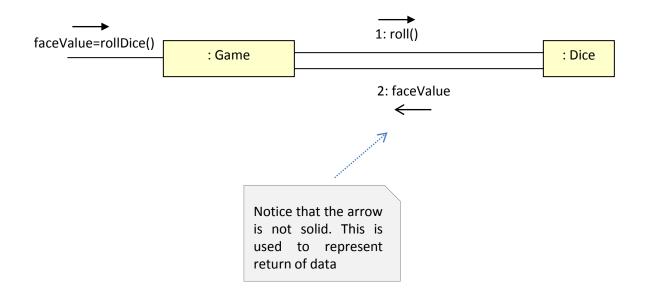


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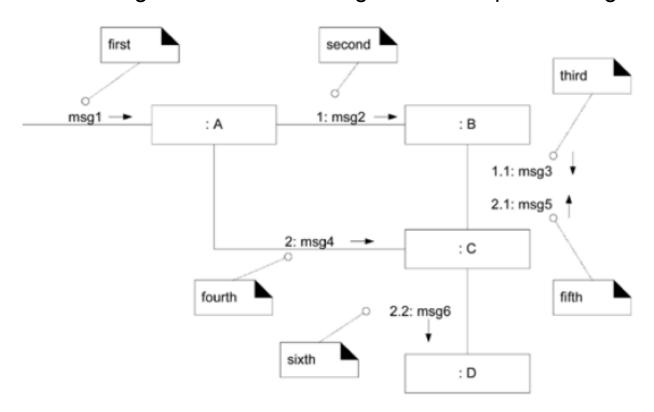
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Exercise: Communication Diagram



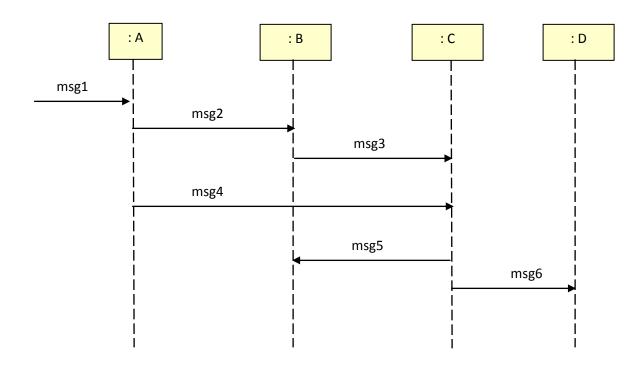
Convert the following communication diagram into sequence diagram:



Indexed numbering of messages in Communication Diagram

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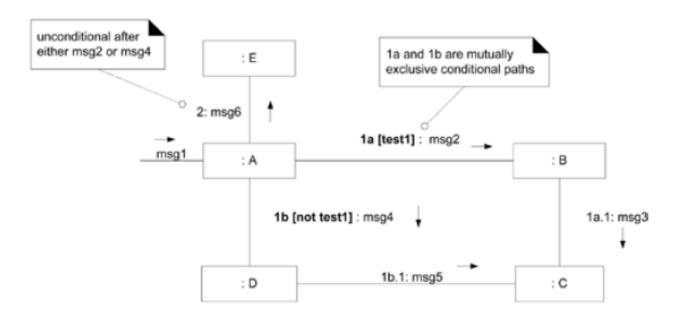
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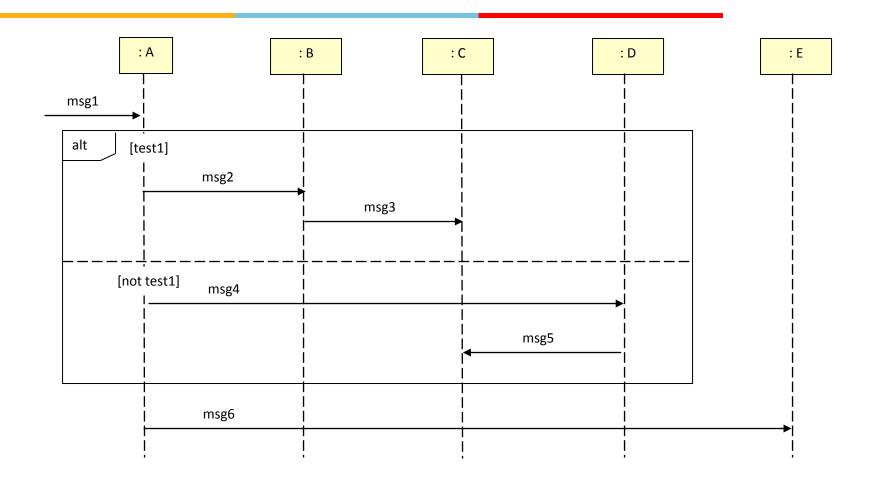


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Mutually exclusive conditional paths in Communication Diagram

Solution:



Plan ahead.....

Go through Lecture Videos:

- Module 4: State Transition Diagram
- Module 5: Visibility between Objects, Class Diagram

Agenda: Lecture 5

- State Transition Diagram
- Class Diagram