

## 1. Class Diagram

A **Class Diagram** is a static diagram in UML (Unified Modeling Language) that describes the structure of a system by showing its classes, their attributes, methods, and relationships between the classes. It provides a blueprint for the system's object-oriented design, allowing developers to understand how the system is organized and how the objects interact.

### Key Components of a Class Diagram:

- **Class:** Represented by a rectangle divided into three sections: the name of the class, its attributes, and its methods (or operations).
- **Attributes:** Variables that define the state of the object.
- **Methods:** Functions or operations that define the behavior of the class.
- **Relationships:**
  - **Association:** A simple line between two classes indicating that they are related.
  - **Aggregation:** A special type of association that represents a "whole-part" relationship, where the part can exist independently of the whole.
  - **Composition:** A stronger form of aggregation where the part cannot exist without the whole.
  - **Inheritance:** A line with a triangle arrowhead showing that one class is a subclass of another (i.e., it inherits attributes and behaviors).
  - **Interface realization:** A dashed line with a triangle showing that a class implements an interface.

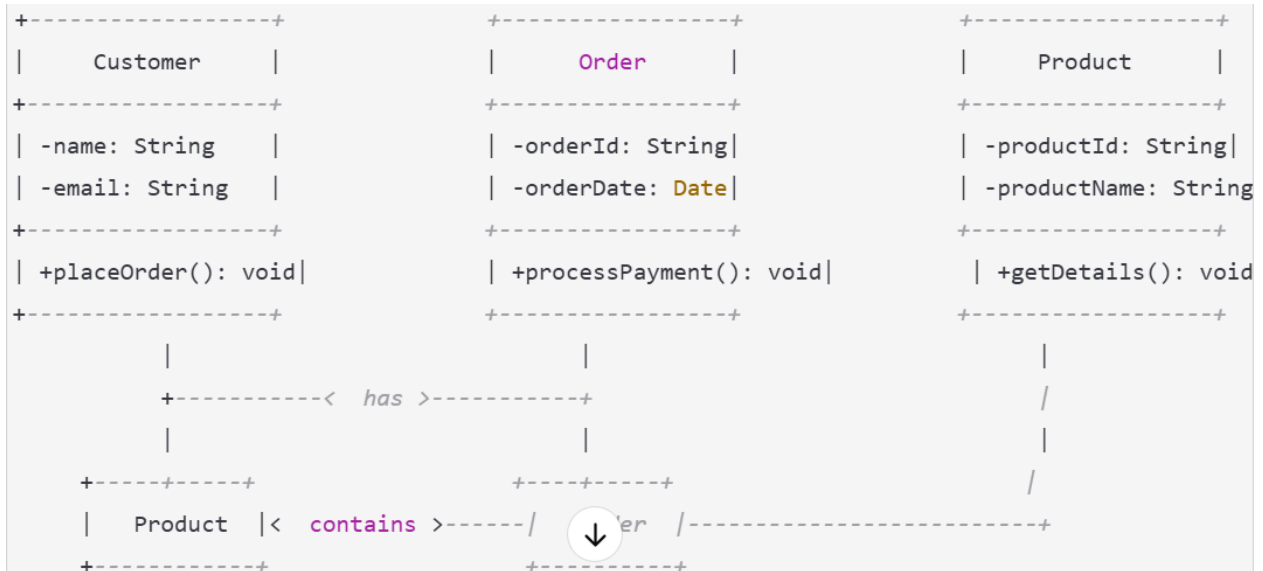
### Example:

Consider a simple example of an **Online Shopping System**:

- **Customer** class has attributes like `name`, `email`, and methods like `placeOrder()`.
- **Order** class has attributes like `orderId`, `orderDate`, and methods like `processPayment()`.
- **Product** class has attributes like `productId`, `productName`, and methods like `getDetails()`.

Class Diagram for the example:

In this diagram:



- The **Customer** class can place an order (indicated by the association between **Customer** and **Order**).
- The **Order** class contains multiple **Product** objects.

## 2. Sequence Diagram

A **Sequence Diagram** is a type of interaction diagram that shows how objects interact in a particular scenario of a use case. It highlights the order of method calls between objects and the flow of messages in the system.

### Key Components of a Sequence Diagram:

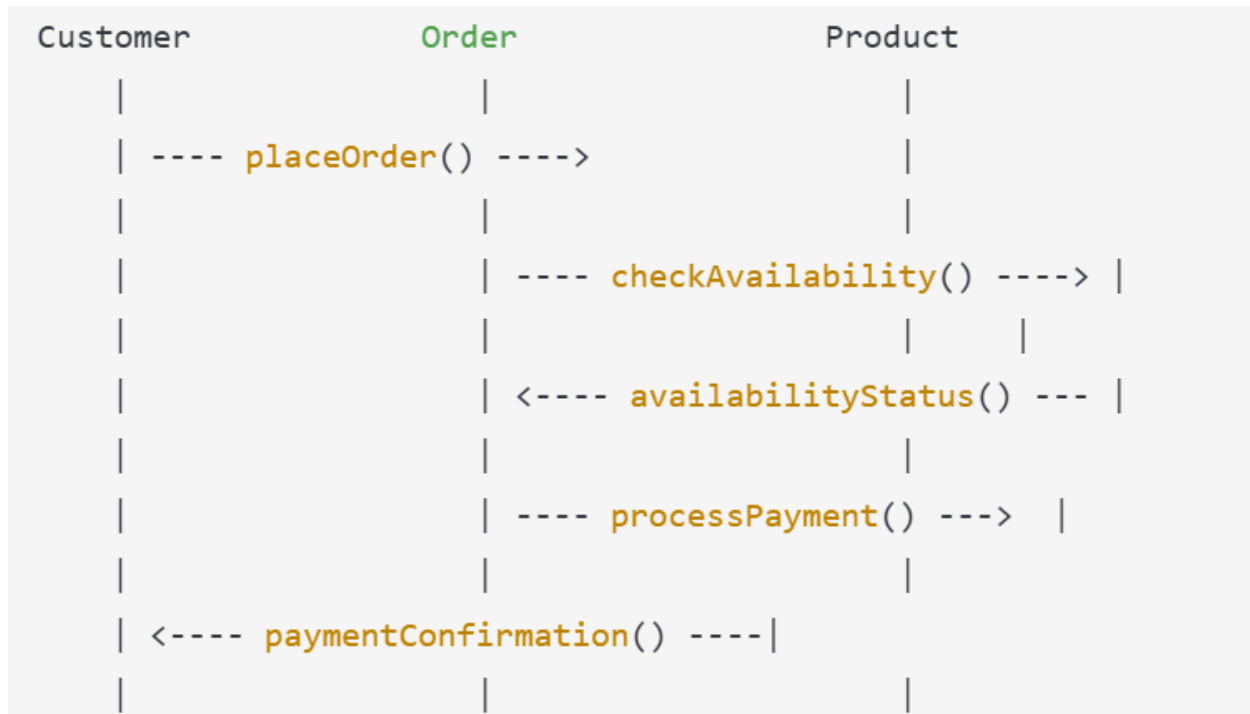
- **Objects:** Represented by boxes, typically at the top of the diagram. These are the participants in the interaction.
- **Lifelines:** Vertical dashed lines that represent the object's existence over time.
- **Messages:** Horizontal arrows between objects showing the interactions (e.g., method calls).
- **Activation bars:** Rectangular boxes on a lifeline that show when an object is active during a message call.
- **Return messages:** Dashed arrows showing the return of control or values after method execution.

### Example:

Consider the scenario where a **Customer** places an order for a **Product** in the system:

1. The **Customer** places an order by calling `placeOrder()` on the **Order** object.
2. The **Order** object checks product availability by calling `checkAvailability()` on the **Product** object.
3. If available, the **Order** object processes the payment by calling `processPayment()`.

Here is a simple Sequence Diagram for this flow:



In this diagram:

- The **Customer** initiates the process by calling `placeOrder()`.
- The **Order** calls `checkAvailability()` on the **Product** object to check if the product is in stock.
- Finally, the **Order** processes the payment by calling `processPayment()`.

## Summary:

- A **Class Diagram** is used to represent the static structure of a system by showing the classes and their relationships.
- A **Sequence Diagram** illustrates how objects interact dynamically in a system, showing the sequence of method calls and their interactions over time.

Both diagrams are crucial in understanding and designing object-oriented systems, each focusing on different aspects of the system's structure and behavior.