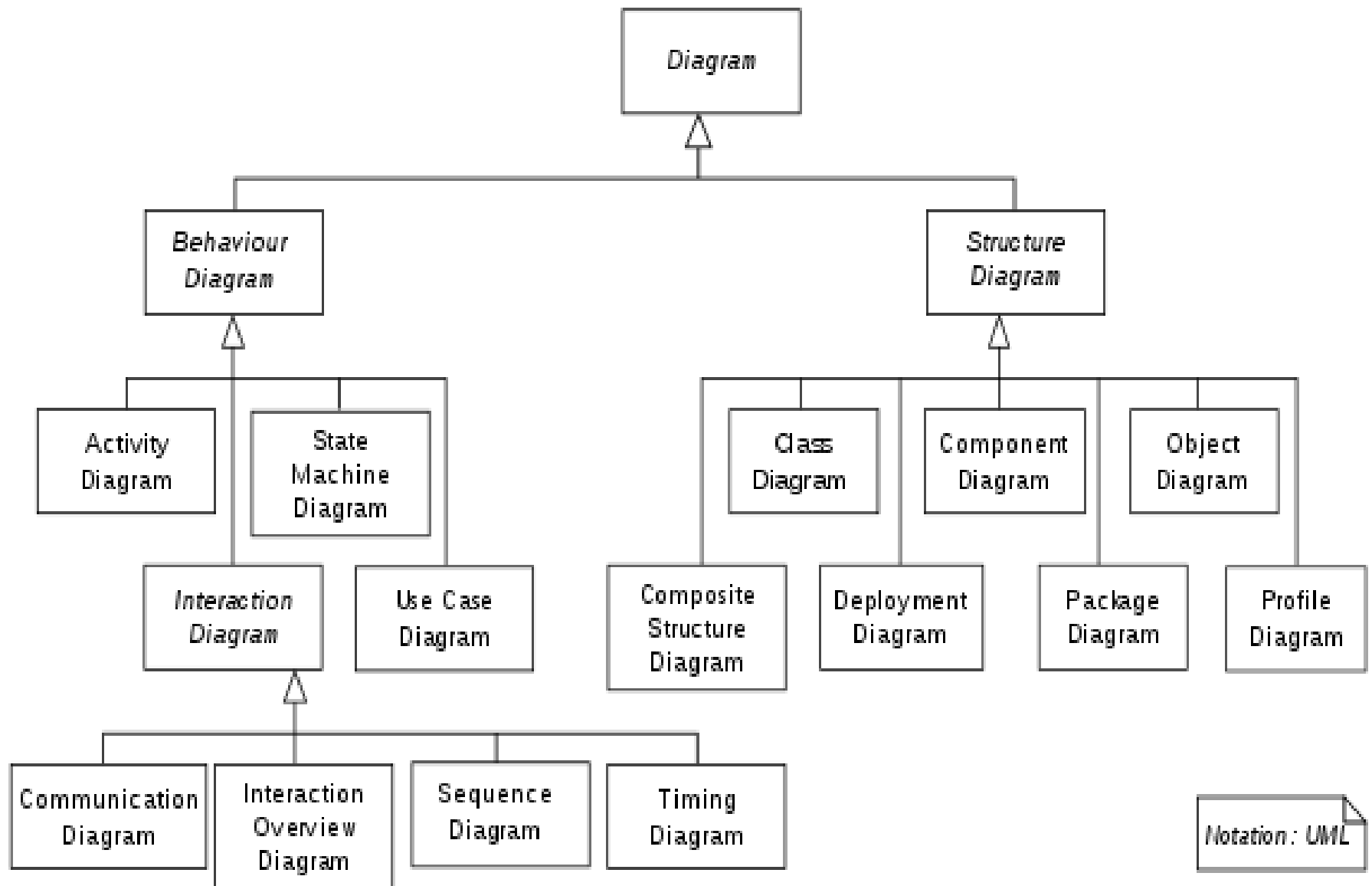


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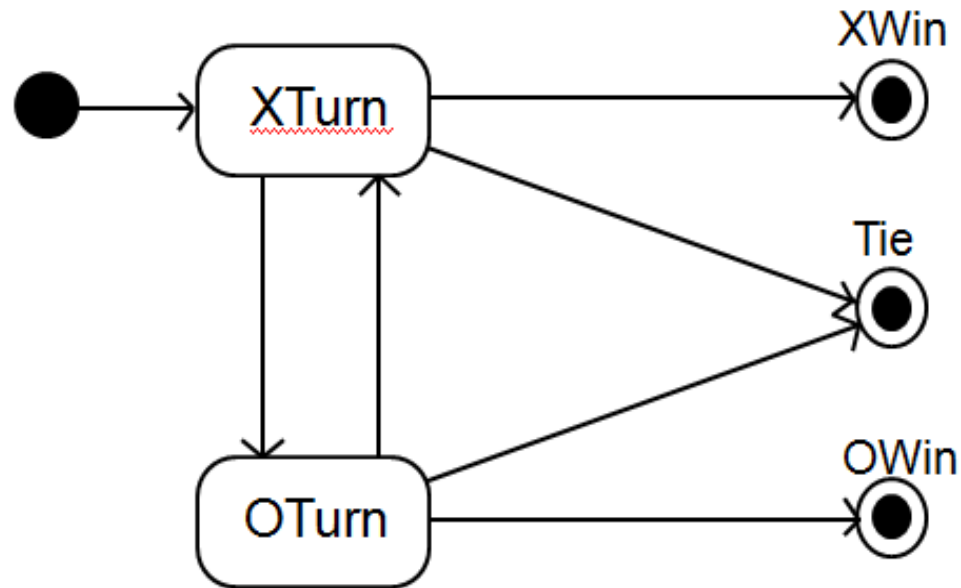


State Diagrams

- Describes the externally visible behavior of a system or of an individual object.
- Like directed graph where the nodes are states and the arcs are transitions.
 - At any given point in time, the system or object is in a certain ***state***.
 - Some ***events*** will cause the system to change state.

State diagrams – an example

- tic-tac-toe game



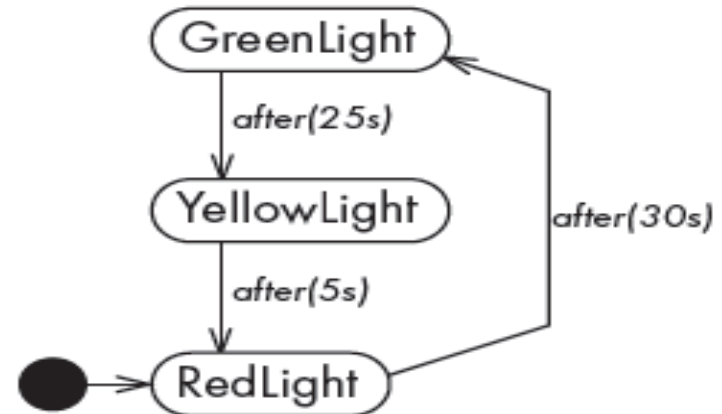
States

- At any given point in time, the system is in one state.
- It will remain in this state until an event occurs that causes it to change state.
- A state is represented by a **rounded rectangle** containing the name of the state.
- Special states:
 - A black circle represents the ***start state***
 - A circle with a ring around it represents an ***end state***

Transitions

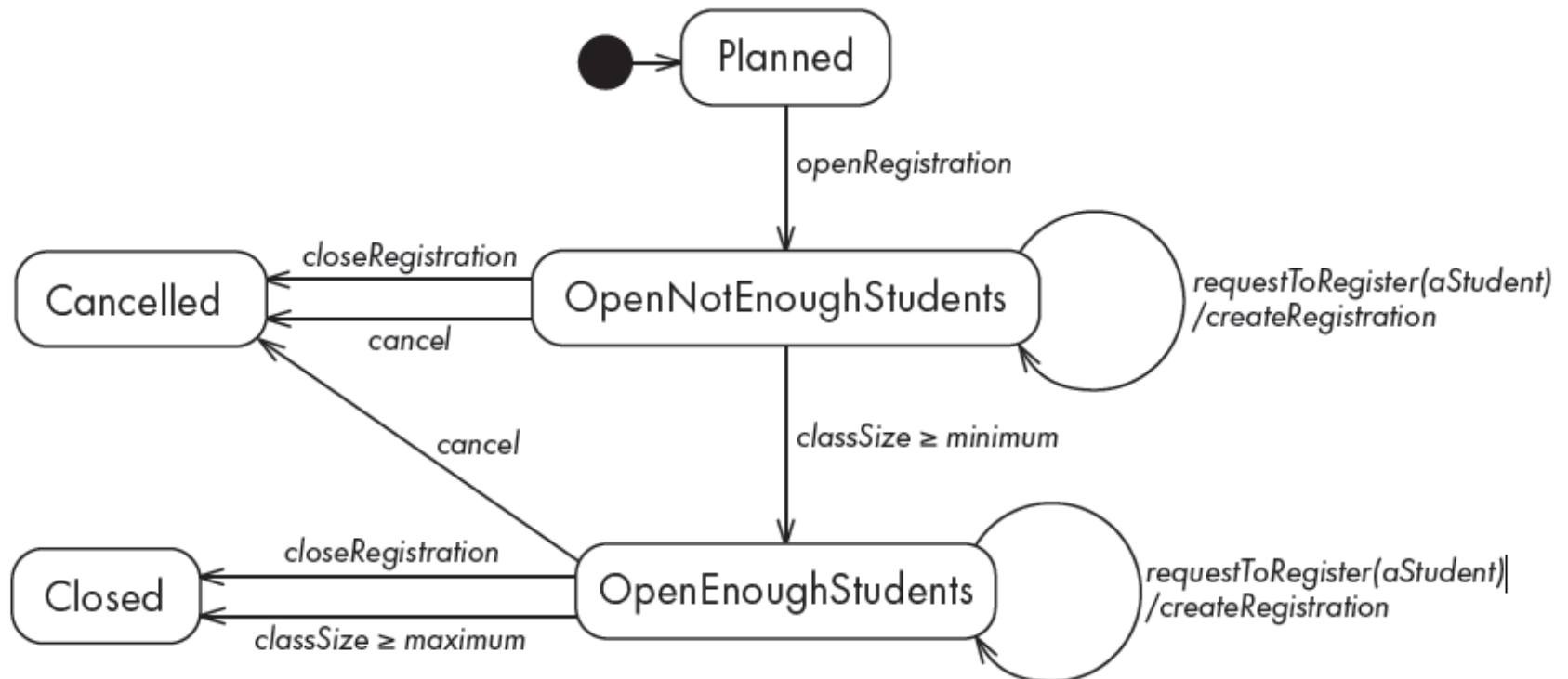
- A transition represents a change of state in response to an event.
 - It is considered to occur instantaneously.
- The label on each transition is the event that causes the change of state.
- A transition is rendered as a **solid directed line**.

State diagrams of a simple traffic light, illustrating elapsed-time transitions



State diagrams – an example of transitions with time-outs

State diagrams – an example with conditional transitions



State diagram of a `CourseSection` class

Computations in State Diagram

- Activities
- Actions

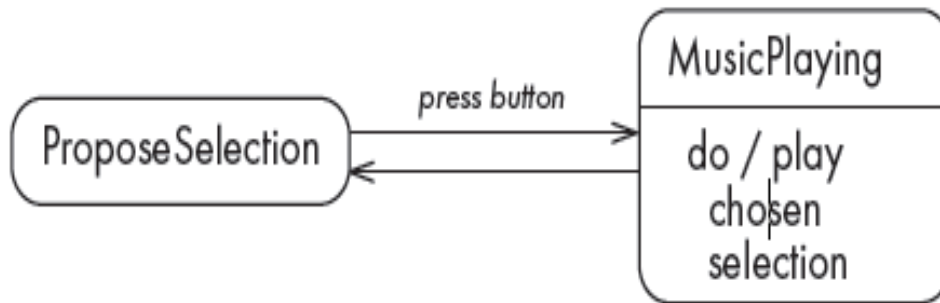
Activities in state diagrams

- An *activity* is something that takes place while the system is *in* a state.
 - It takes a period of time.
 - The system may take a transition out of the state in response to completion of the activity,
 - Some other outgoing transition may result in:
 - The interruption of the activity, and
 - An early exit from the state.

Activity representation

- An activity is shown textually within a state box by the word '**do**' followed by a '/' symbol, and a ***description*** of what is to be done.
- When you have details such as actions in a state, you draw a horizontal line above them to separate them from the state name.

State diagram – an example with activity



State diagram for a jukebox, illustrating an activity in a state

Actions in state diagrams

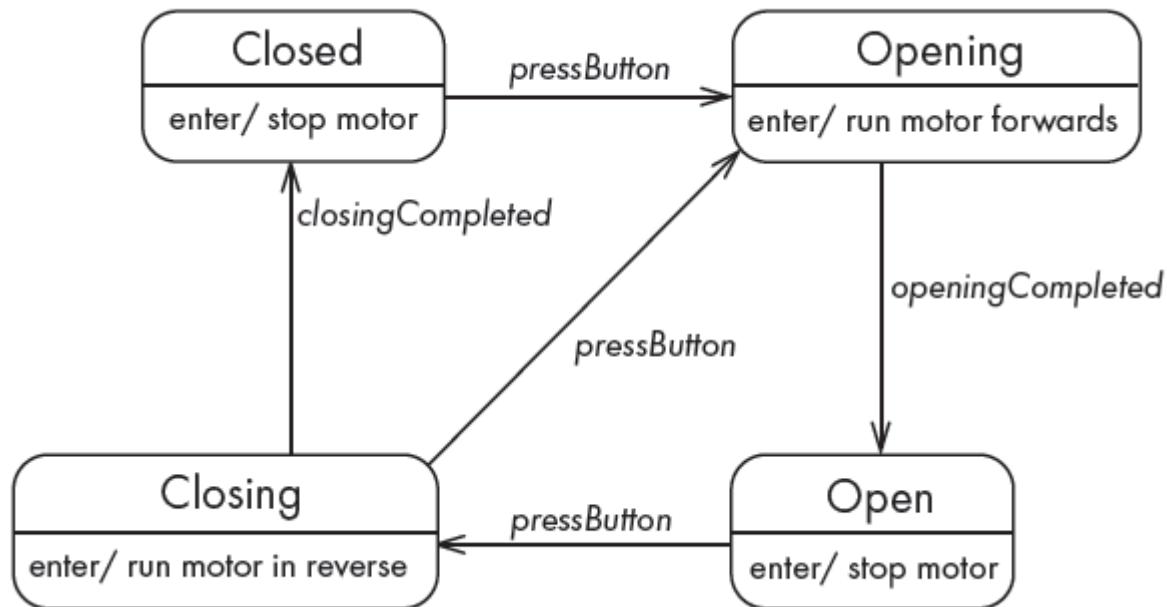
- An *action* is something that takes place effectively *instantaneously*
 - When a particular transition is taken,
 - Upon entry into a particular state, or
 - Upon exit from a particular state
- ***An action should consume no noticeable amount of time***

Representation of action

- An action is always shown preceded by a slash ('/') symbol.
- If the action is to be performed during a transition, then the syntax is **event/action**.
- If the action is to be performed when entering or exiting a state, then it is written in the state box with the notation **enter/action** or **exit/action**.

State diagram – an example with actions

- **State diagram for a garage door opener,**



Nested substates

- A state diagram can be nested inside a state.
- The states of the inner diagram are called substates.

State diagram – an example with substates

