

Business Process Management

SS 2021

Exercise 3

Formalities for submitting your solution:

- Please submit your solution in OLAT
- The solution is due on **01.06.21 at 23:59 (UTC+2)**
- Please provide one single PDF file per group
- Please include all screenshots into your PDF file
- Please include the names of all group members into your solution
- You can reach up to 10 points in this exercise sheet

Tools needed for this exercise:

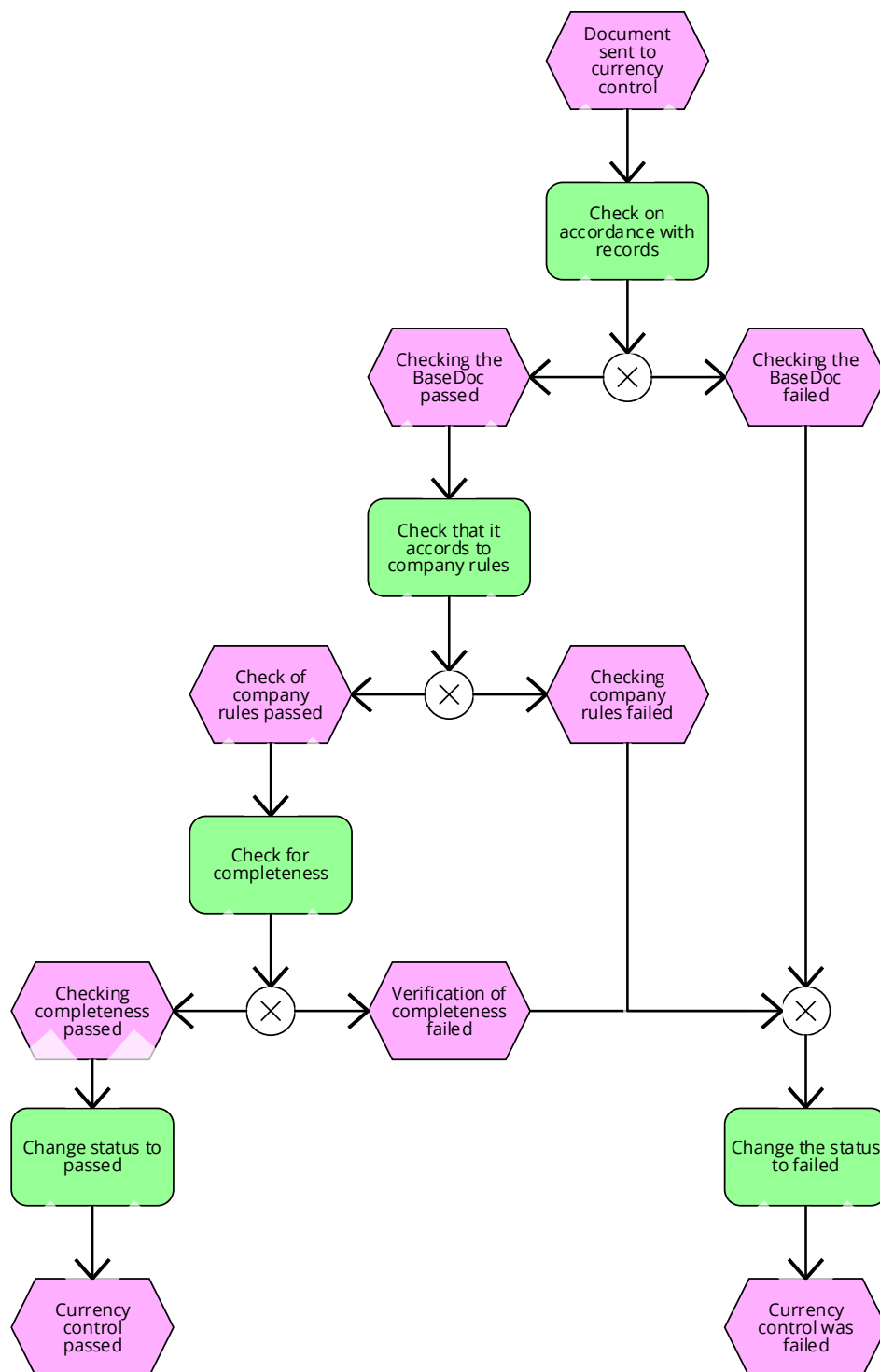
In this exercise, you are asked to provide an EPC diagram. To create your diagram, you are required to use the Signavio process editor. Signavio has provided an academic workspace, which is free of charge. The online tool must therefore only be used in the scope of this lecture, i.e. not for commercial projects.

To register, please use the following link and sign up with your university email address:
<https://academic.signavio.com/p/register?link=09acffdb4f644b91acc42eee29b35d78>

If you already registered for Signavio in the first exercise or a previous course, you can just use that login data.

Please consider the following currency control process model. It originates from a real-world modeling project of the SAP Company.

The process was modeled jointly by two different process modelers. There were no real modeling conventions, meaning that there were also no conventions for the labels of model elements. The company sees a problem here. Before they continue modeling, they want to implement terminological standardization in order to force conventions on the captions.



Please assume that you are working for a consulting company, that is hired to implement such a standardization.

Task 1 (4 points)

Analyze the process model regarding the phrase structures used in functions and events.

Extract the phrase structures used in the model and derive phrase structure categories, differentiated in function and event categories (please document this in a table)

Please propose a minimal/restricted set of standardized phrase structure types that could serve as modeling conventions

Task 2 (2 points)

Analyze the given process model according to the domain terms used within it. Are there redundancies or synonyms respectively? Are there terms that can be omitted?

Propose a minimal domain thesaurus that contains verbs, nouns and adjectives and – if necessary – mark dominant synonyms. Please document this in a table.

Task 3 (2 points)

Please re-model the depicted currency control process using Signavio.

The model element captions must be standardized according to your phrase structures and domain vocabulary

For one single event or function, please show how a “wrong” caption (i.e., a caption that does not follow the allowed conventions) is standardized (i.e., the individual steps how it is transformed).

Task 4 (2 points)

In the lecture, an approach for enforcing that labels adhere to naming conventions was introduced. Here, individual words are tagged, meaning that their so-called part of speech (POS) is determined. As words can have multiple POS, depending on context, many tagger implementations return all respective POS for a given input.

Example: The word “check” could either be a noun (“I will write you a *check*”) or a verb (“I will *check* the address”)

Assume that a tagger has returned {<check, noun>, <check, verb>} for the label “check invoice”. As a human, you may see that for this label, the word “check” is actually a verb. Still, the tagger has returned all possible POS.

Describe how this problem could affect (a) searching for synonyms in the general (English) lexicon, and (b) the construction of suggestions for the modeler.

Then, propose an idea how this problem could be counteracted (meaning partially or completely resolved) - for example a modification to the tagger or the approach in general. It does not matter if your idea is feasible yet, just describe in general an idea on how you would solve this if you were implementing (= programming) the approach.