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A Brief Introduction to the UML

adapted from Philippe Kruchten's slides



Outline

- Purpose & genesis
- Reminder on objects and classes
- UML elements
- Key UML Diagrams
- From Notation to Code
- UML Tools
- UML References & resources



What is a model?

- A miniature representation of something.
- A semantically closed abstraction of a system under study.
- A representation of a system that allows for investigation of the properties of the system.

What is UML?

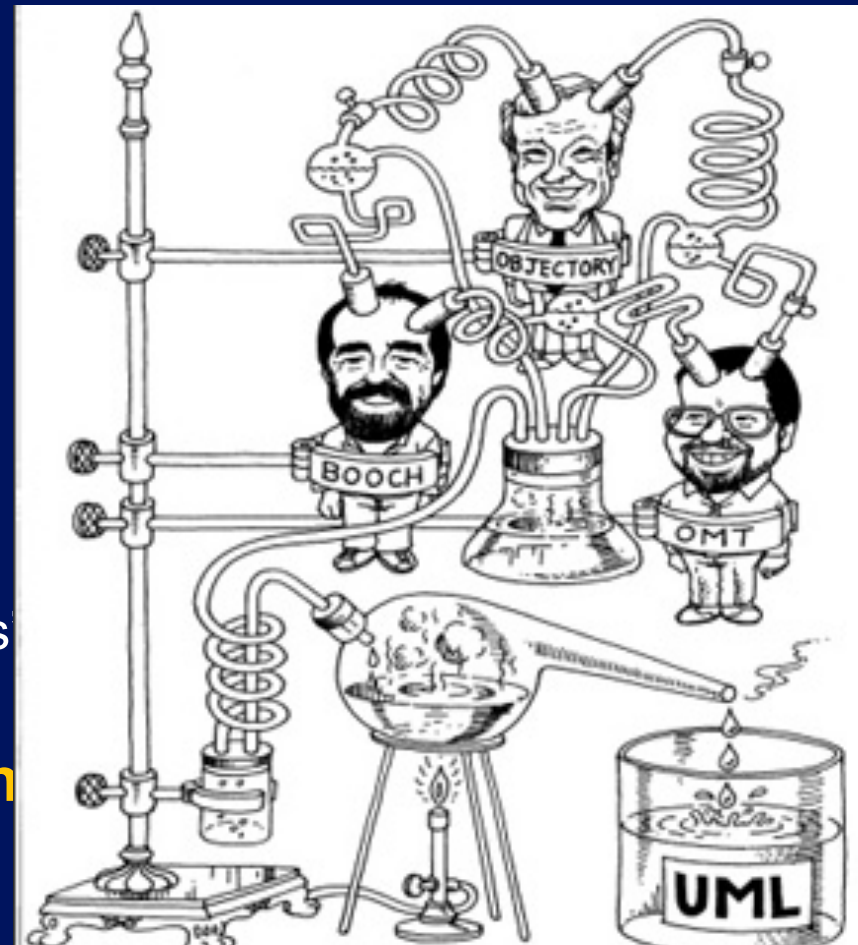
- Notation
 - Electronics analogy
 - Map analogy
- Syntax and semantics
 - Casual notation and formal notation
- Usage:
 - Illustration
 - Forward engineering: Model \Rightarrow Code
 - Round-trip engineering: Model \Leftrightarrow Code

What UML is not

- *Not a method* in itself
 - A notation designed to support various methods for requirement analysis and software design
 - E.g., (IBM) Rational Unified Process (RUP)

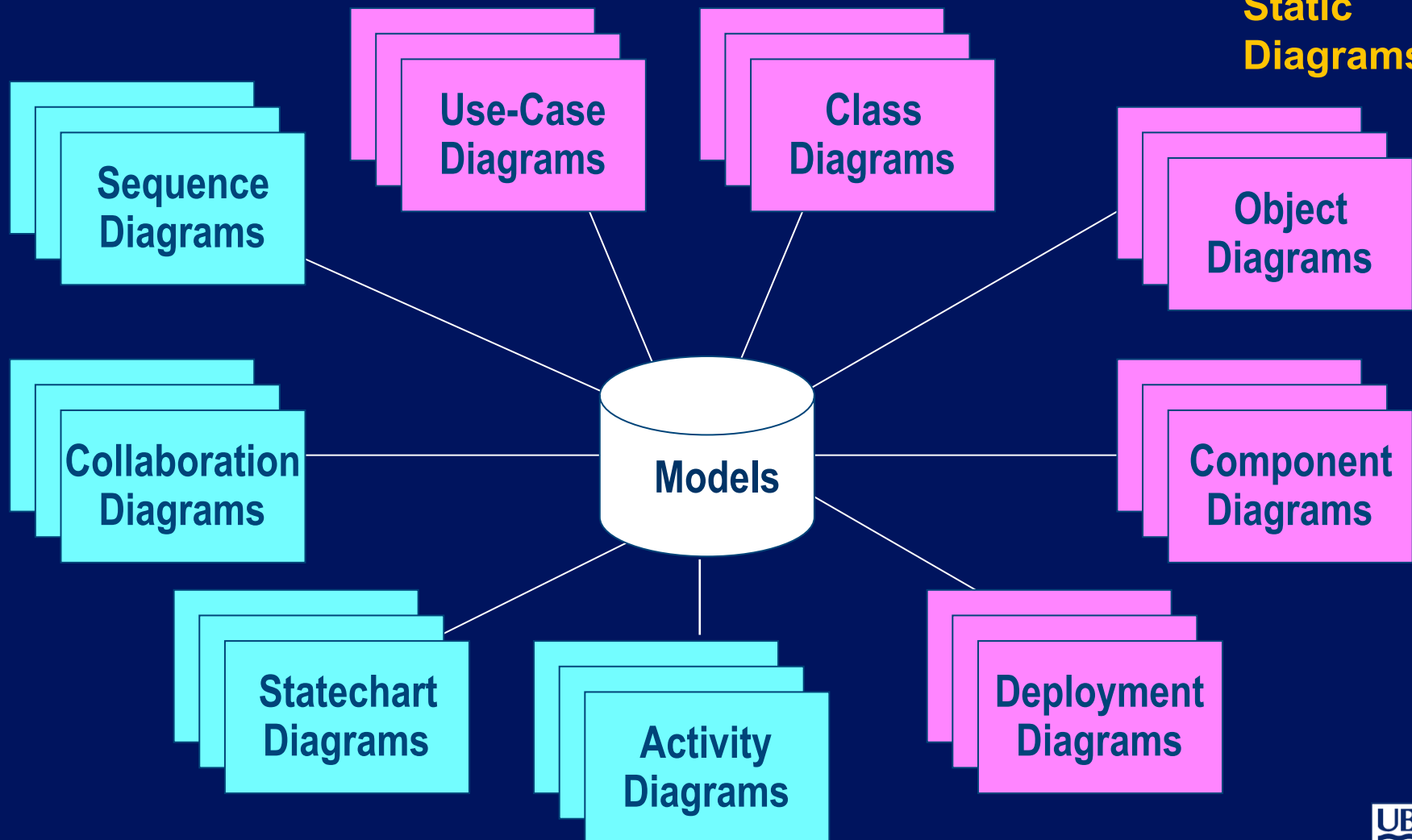
A Brief History of UML

- Language ‘wars’ (1985-95):
 - OOPSLA conferences as the main battlefield
- Contenders
 - OMT (JimRumbaugh)
 - Booch method and notation (Grady Booch)
 - OOSE (Ivar Jacobson)
 - OML (Brian Henderson-Sellers)
 - *And many others.*
- Rational Software and the “three amigos”
- Object Management Group (OMG)
- **ISO/IEC 19501:2005 Information Technology Standard— Open Distributed Processing — Unified Modeling Language (UML)**



Two types of UML diagrams

**Static
Diagrams**



**Dynamic Diagrams (Behavior
and Interaction)**



Key UML diagrams

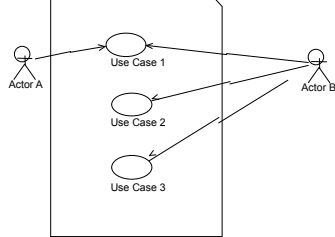
- Class diagram
- Sequence diagram

- Object diagram
- State diagram or Statechart
- Activity diagram
- Deployment diagram
- Use-case diagram
- Collaboration diagram

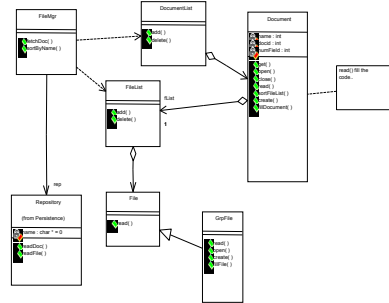
**In decreasing order
of usefulness for
the average developer**

Visual modeling of a software system

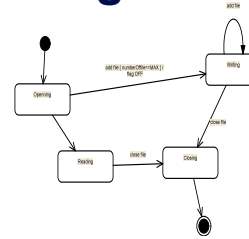
Use-Case Diagram



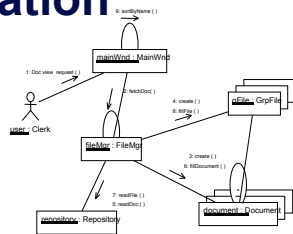
Class Diagram



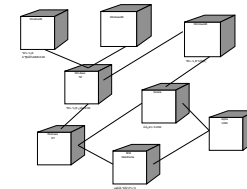
State Diagram



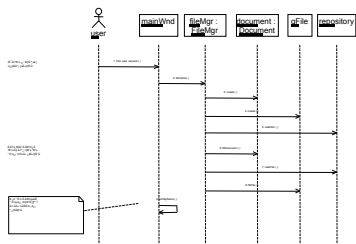
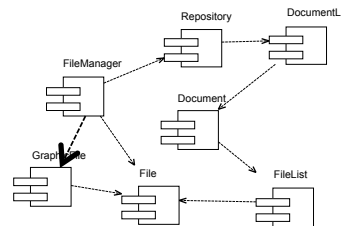
Collaboration Diagram



Deployment Diagram

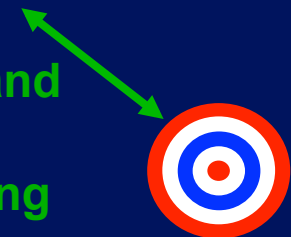


Component Diagram



Sequence Diagram

Forward and
Reverse
Engineering



Three views over the system

- *Functional requirements view*
 - Emphasizes the functional requirements of the system from the user's point of view.
 - Includes use case diagrams.
- *Static structural view*
 - Emphasizes the static structure of the system using objects, attributes, operations, and relationships.
 - Includes class diagrams and collaboration diagrams
- *Dynamic behavior view*
 - Emphasizes the dynamic behavior of the system by showing collaborations among objects and changes to the internal states of objects.
 - Includes sequence diagrams, activity diagrams and state machine diagrams.

Elements of UML Diagrams

- Model elements
- Connectors
- Adornments
- Annotations

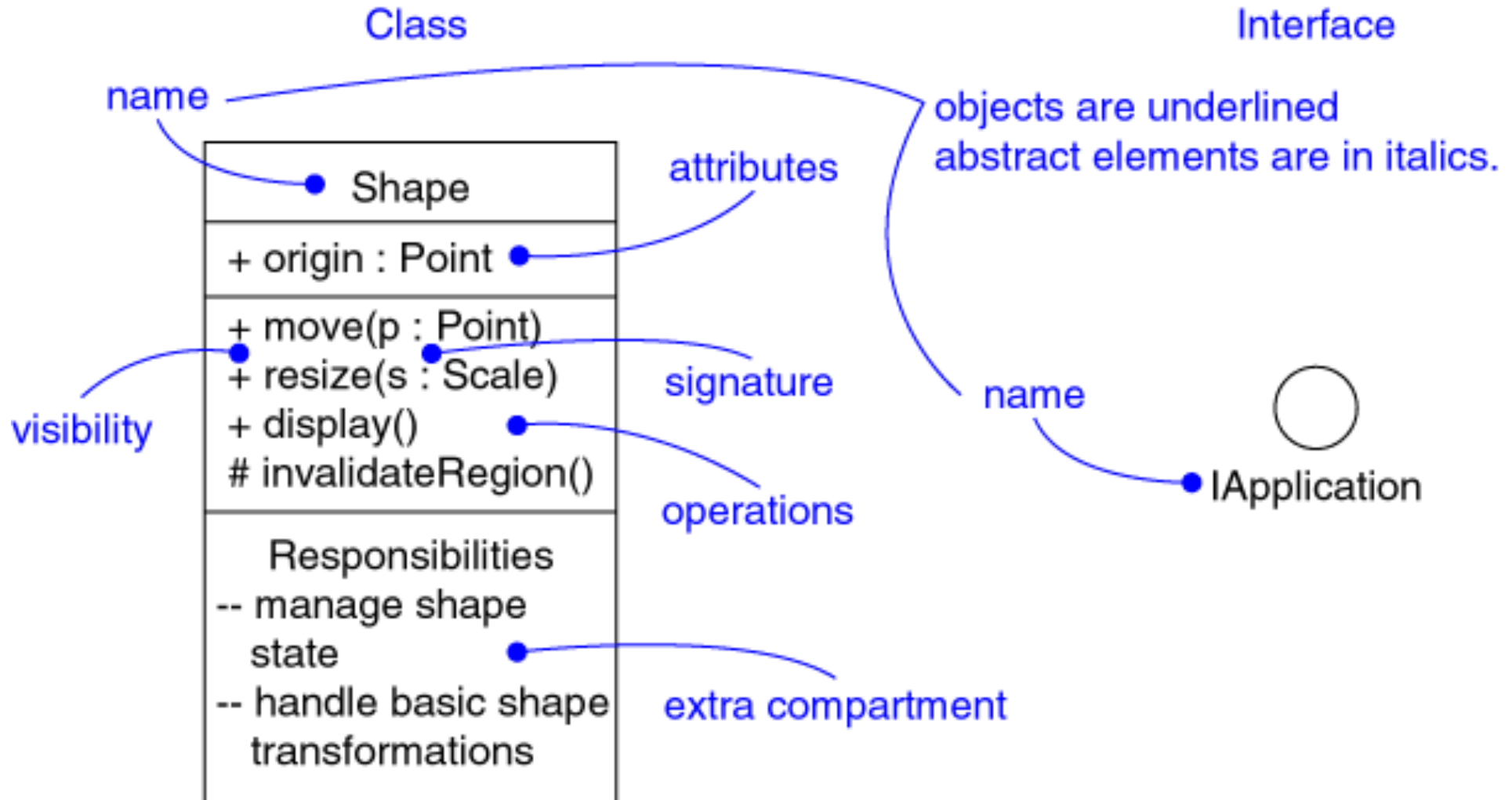
Reminder: Class

- A description of a set of objects that share the same attributes, operations, methods, relationships, and semantics.
- A class may use a set of interfaces to specify collections of operations it provides to its environment

Reminder: Object

- An entity with a well-defined boundary and identity that encapsulates state and behavior.
 - State is represented by attributes and relationships;
 - Behavior is represented by operations, methods, and state machines.
- An object is an instance of a class.

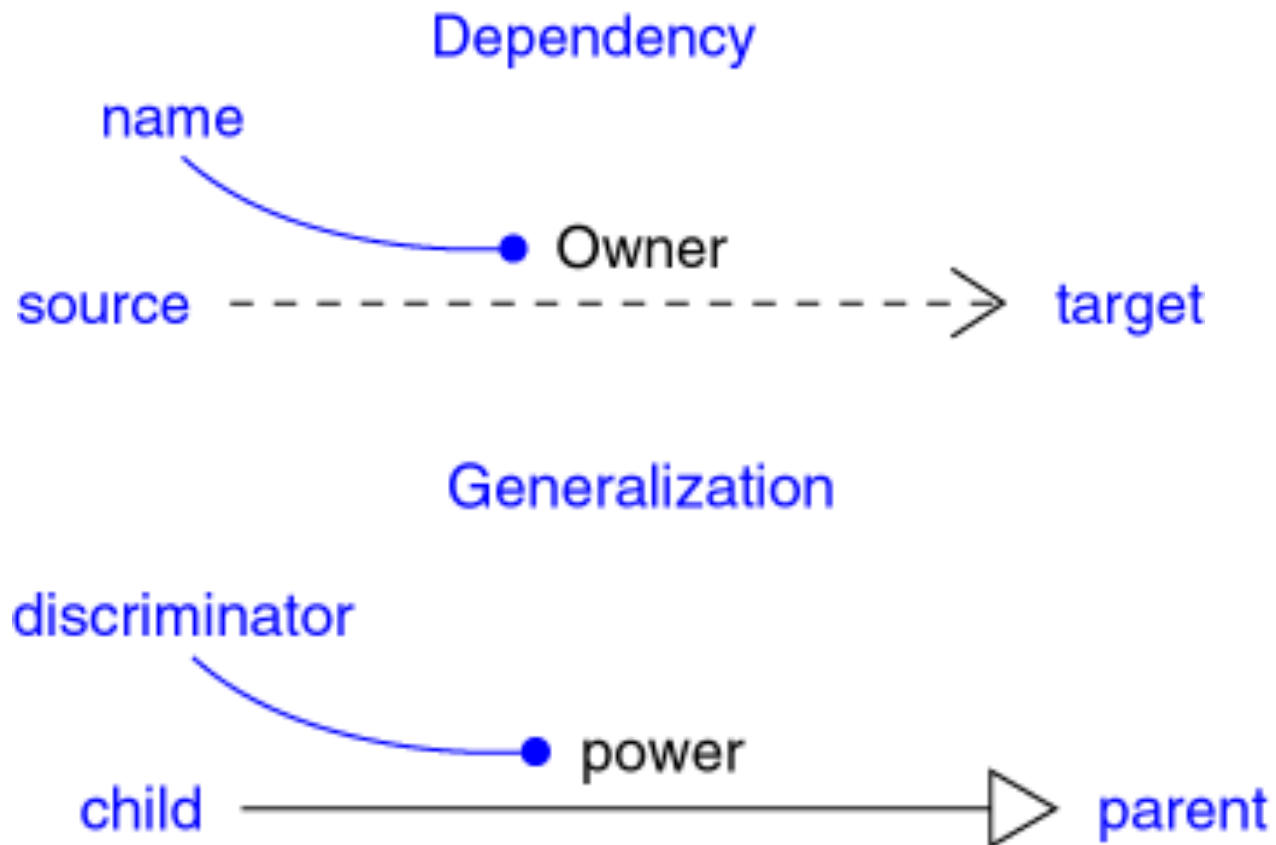
Modeling elements: class, interface



Types of relationship in class diagrams

- Class level:
 - Dependency:
 - *x depends on y* (for implementation, for example)
 - A dependency exists between two defined elements if a change to the definition of one would result in a change to the other.
 - Generalization (& specialization):
 - *x is a kind of y* (taxonomy, subclassing)
- Instance level
 - Association:
 - *x is a part of y*

Class Level: Dependency and generalization



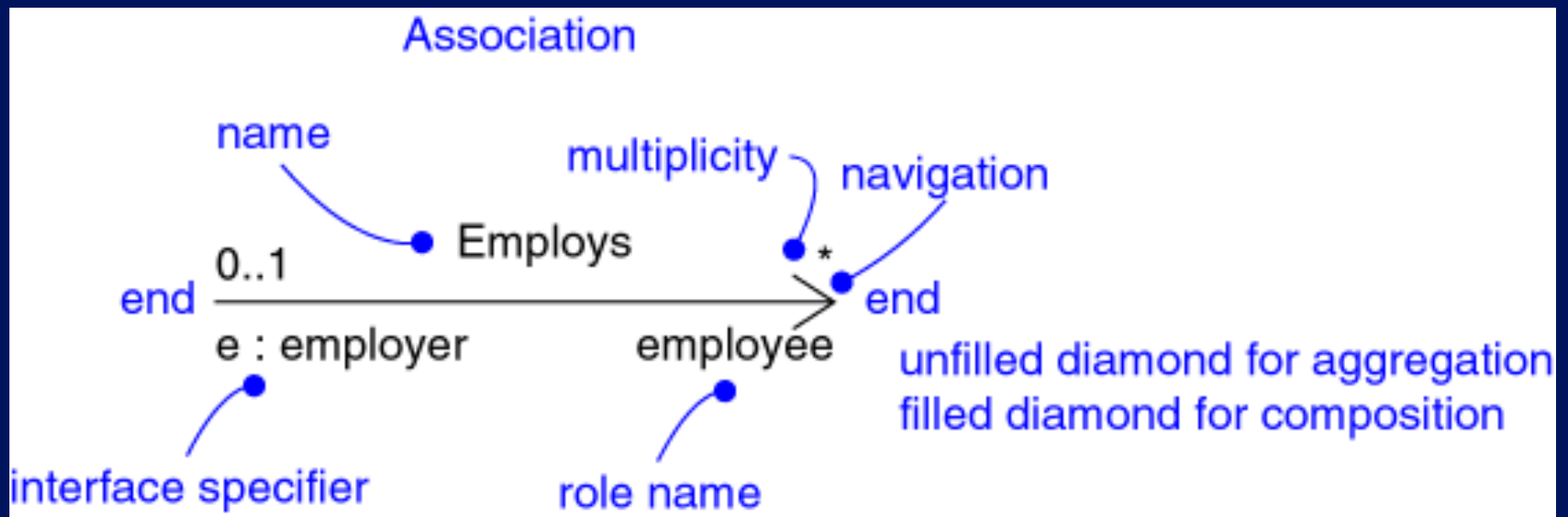
Instance-Level Relationships

Link

- The basic relationship among objects.
 - Represented as a line connecting *two or more* object boxes.
 - Shown on an [object diagram](#) or class diagram.
 - A link is an instance of an association.

Association

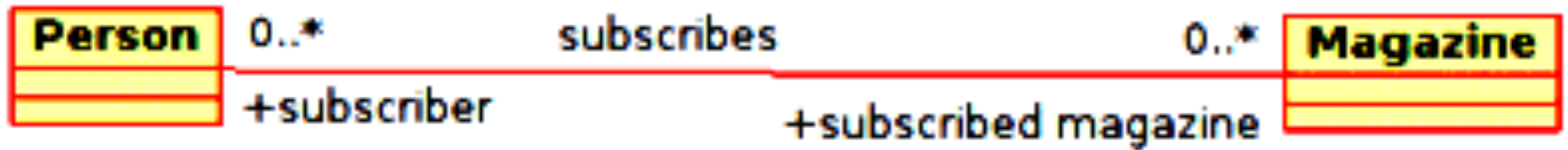
- A relationship that models a bi(or multi)-directional semantic connection among instances.
- An association represents a family of links



Multiplicity

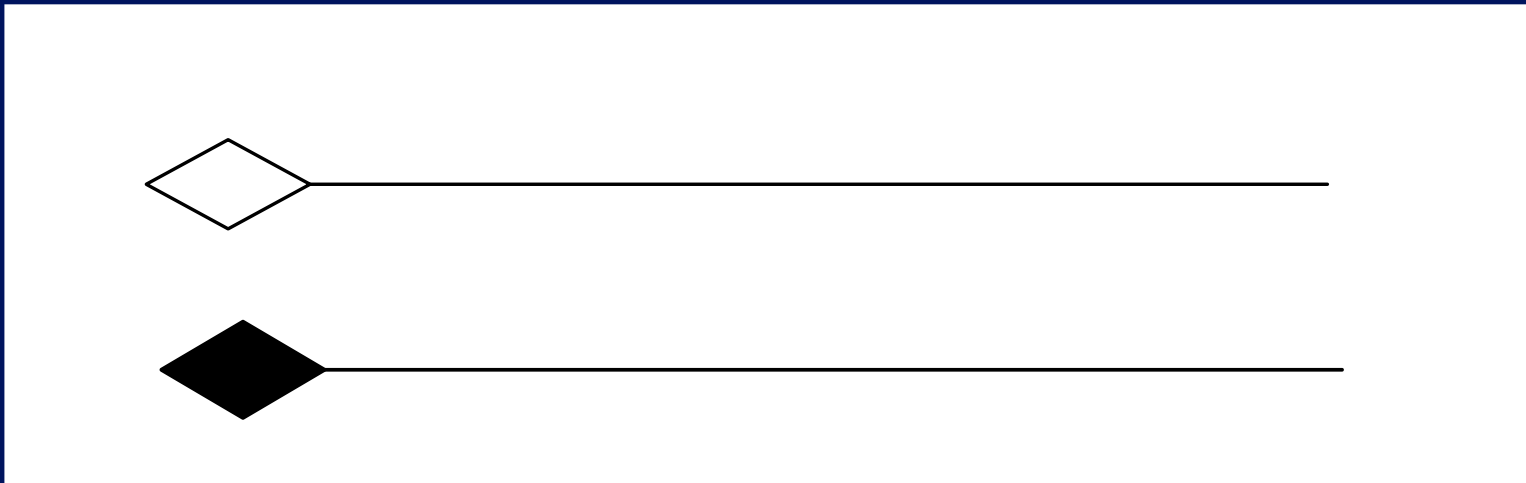
- How many object can be associated
- 1 = exactly one
- 0 .. 1 = optional (zero or one)
- 1 .. N = at least one
- * = 0 .. N = any number
- N
 - For example 4, for 4 wheels in car
- m .. n

Association example



Two Special Associations

- Aggregation = grouping (e.g., “by reference”)

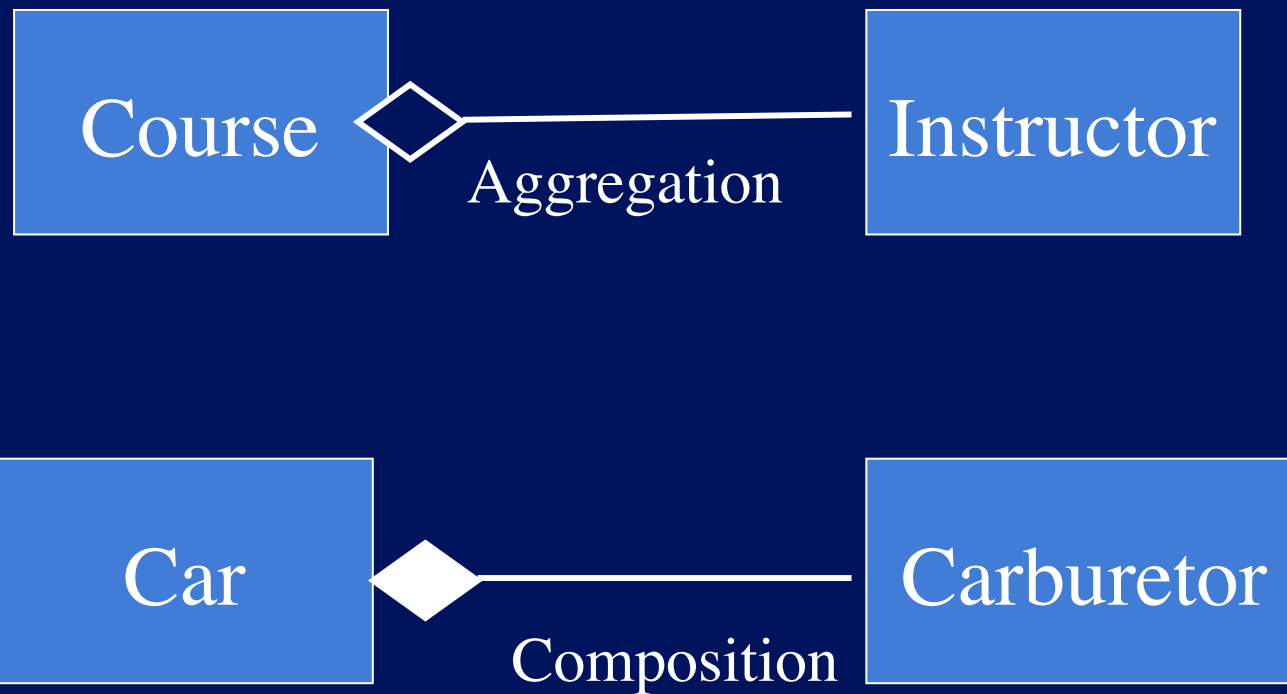


- Composition = is made of (e.g., “by value”)

Composition versus Aggregation



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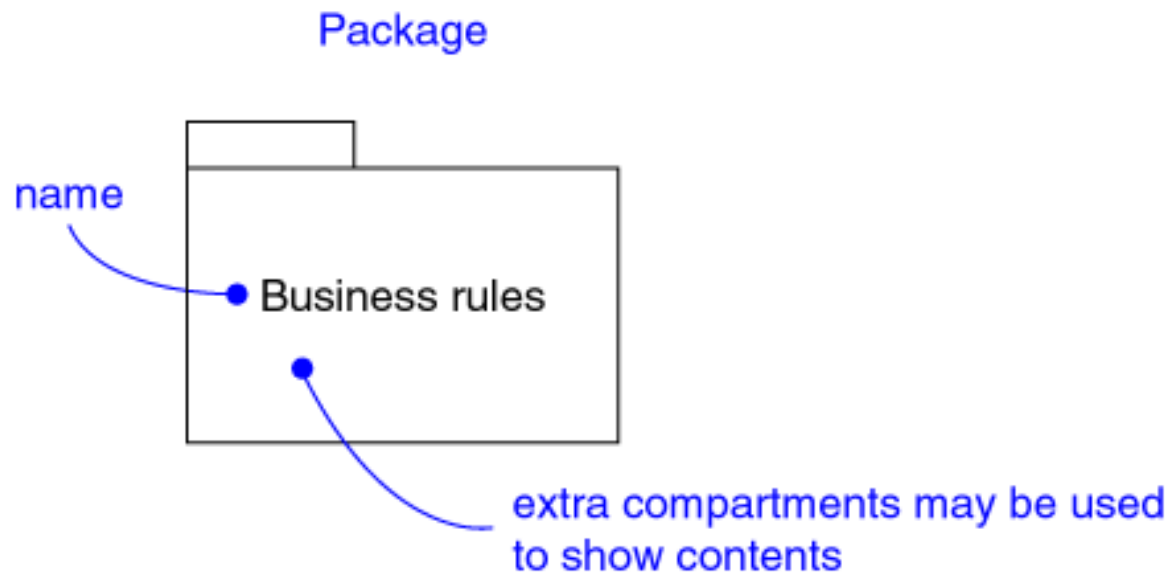
- Assume A associated with B
- If I destroy an object A, is the associated B also destroyed?
 - Yes? you probably have a composition
- If an object A1 is associated with object B1, can the same object B1 be also associated with another object A2
 - Yes? you probably have an aggregation

Composition vs. Aggregation

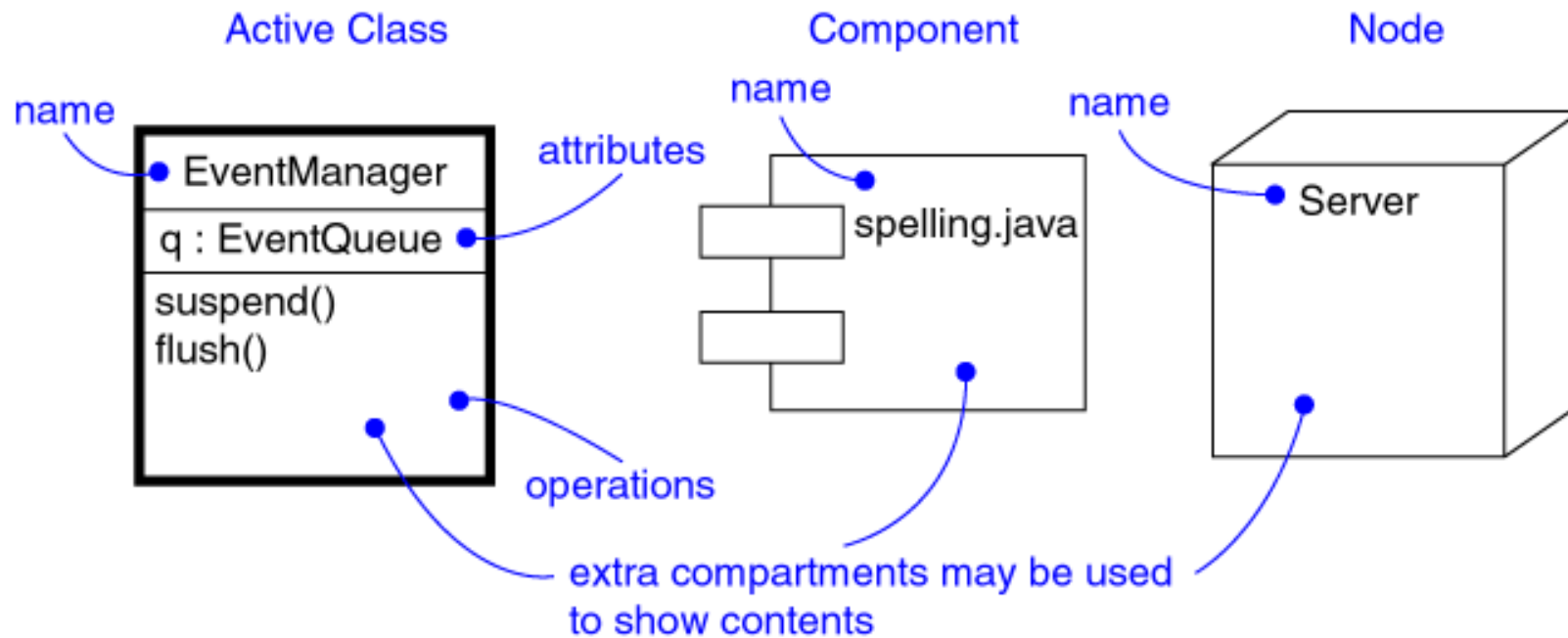
- The whole of a composition must have a multiplicity of 0..1 or 1, indicating that a part must be for only one whole.
 - The whole of an aggregation may have any multiplicity.
- Example:
 - represent real-world whole-part relationships,
 - e.g., an engine is part of a car,
 - → the composition relationship is most appropriate.
 - represent database relationship,
 - e.g., car model engine ENG01 is part of a car model CM01,
 - → an aggregation relationship is best, (as the engine ENG01 may be also part of a different car model)



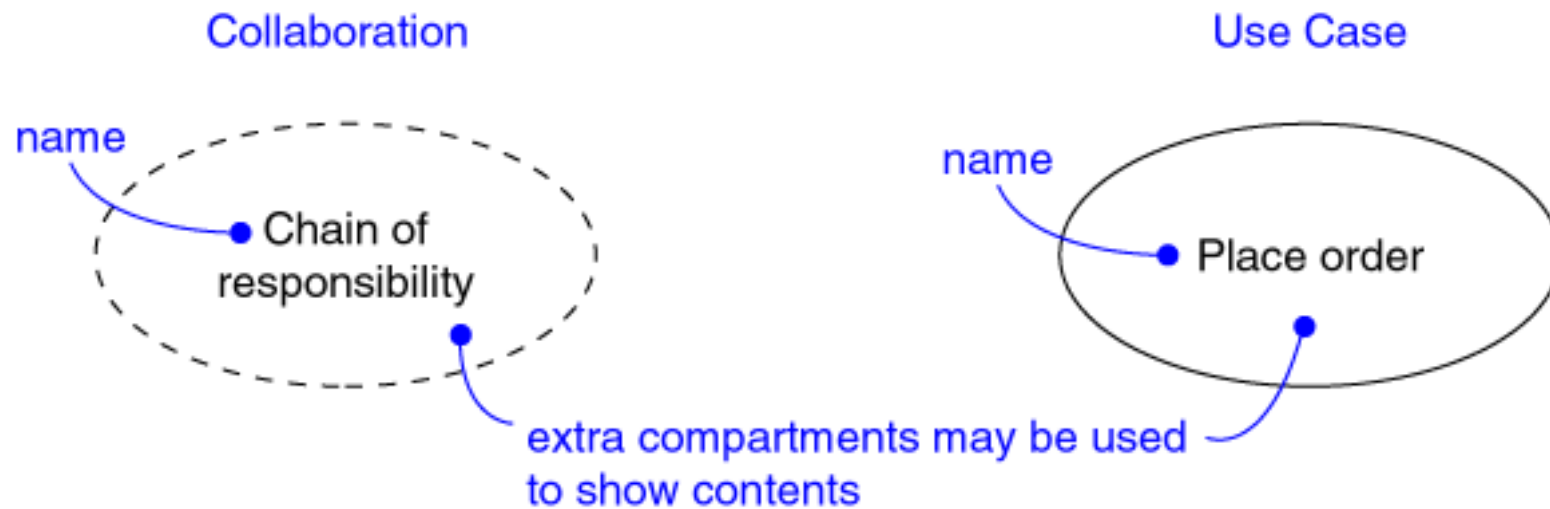
Packages



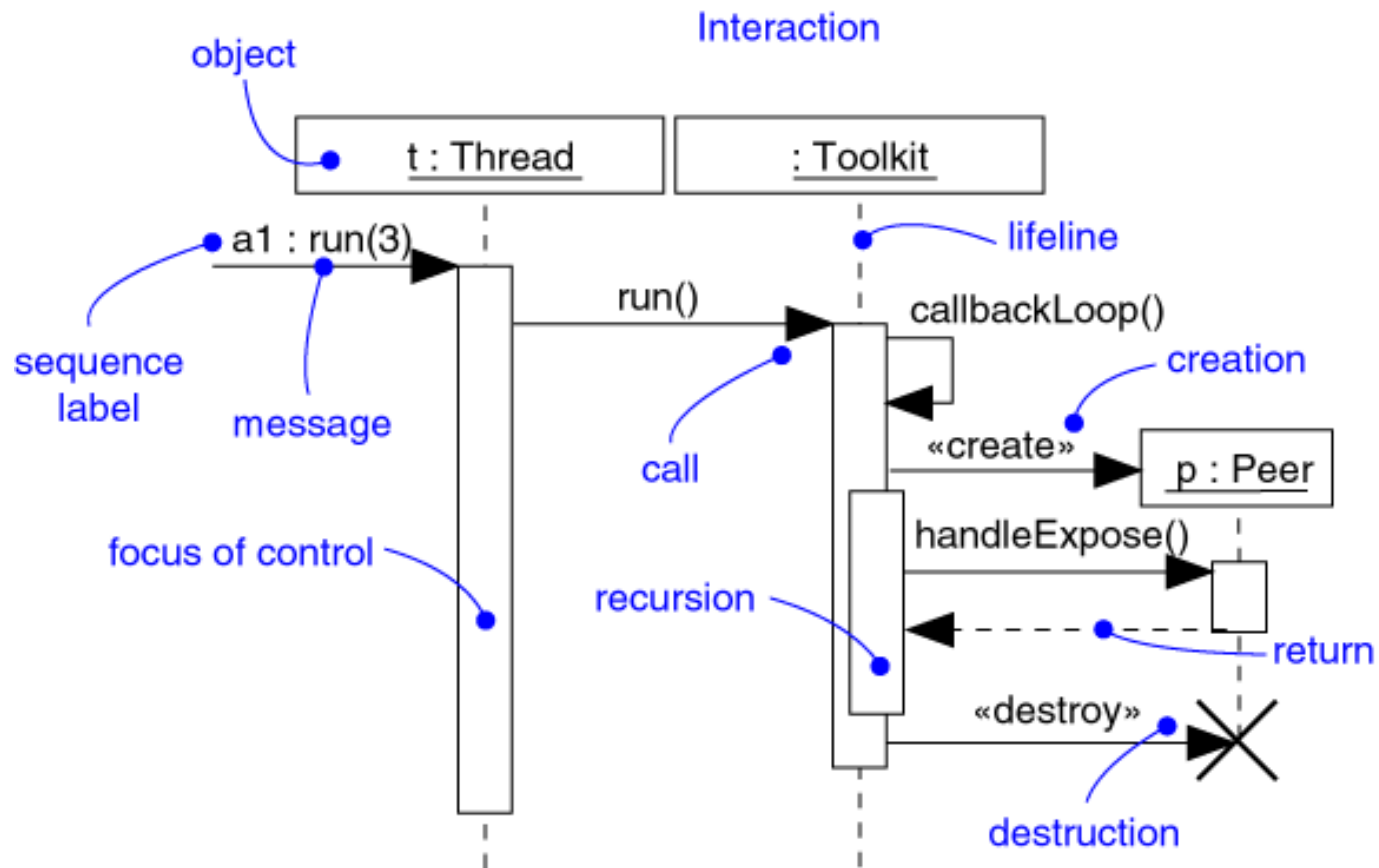
Other major modeling elements



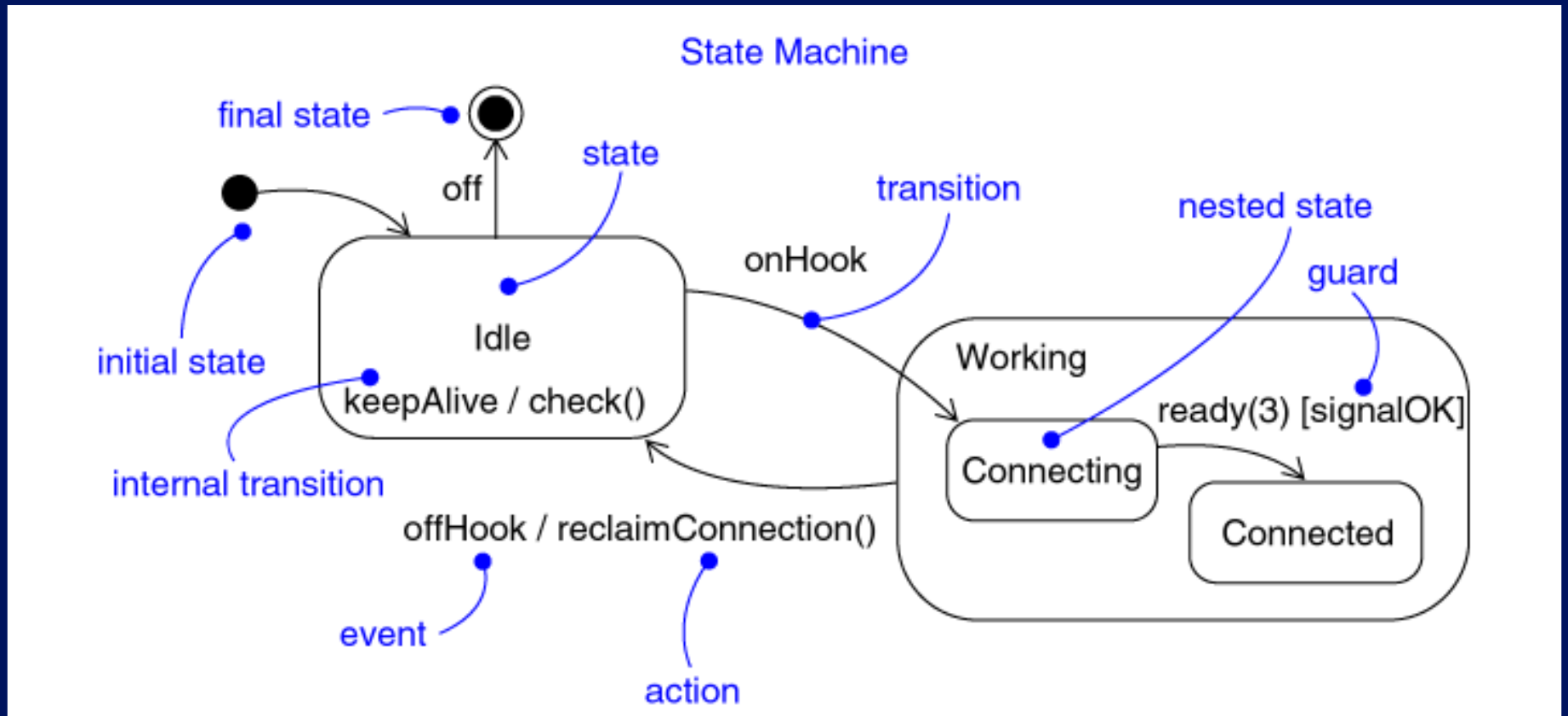
Collaborations and Use cases



Sequences



States



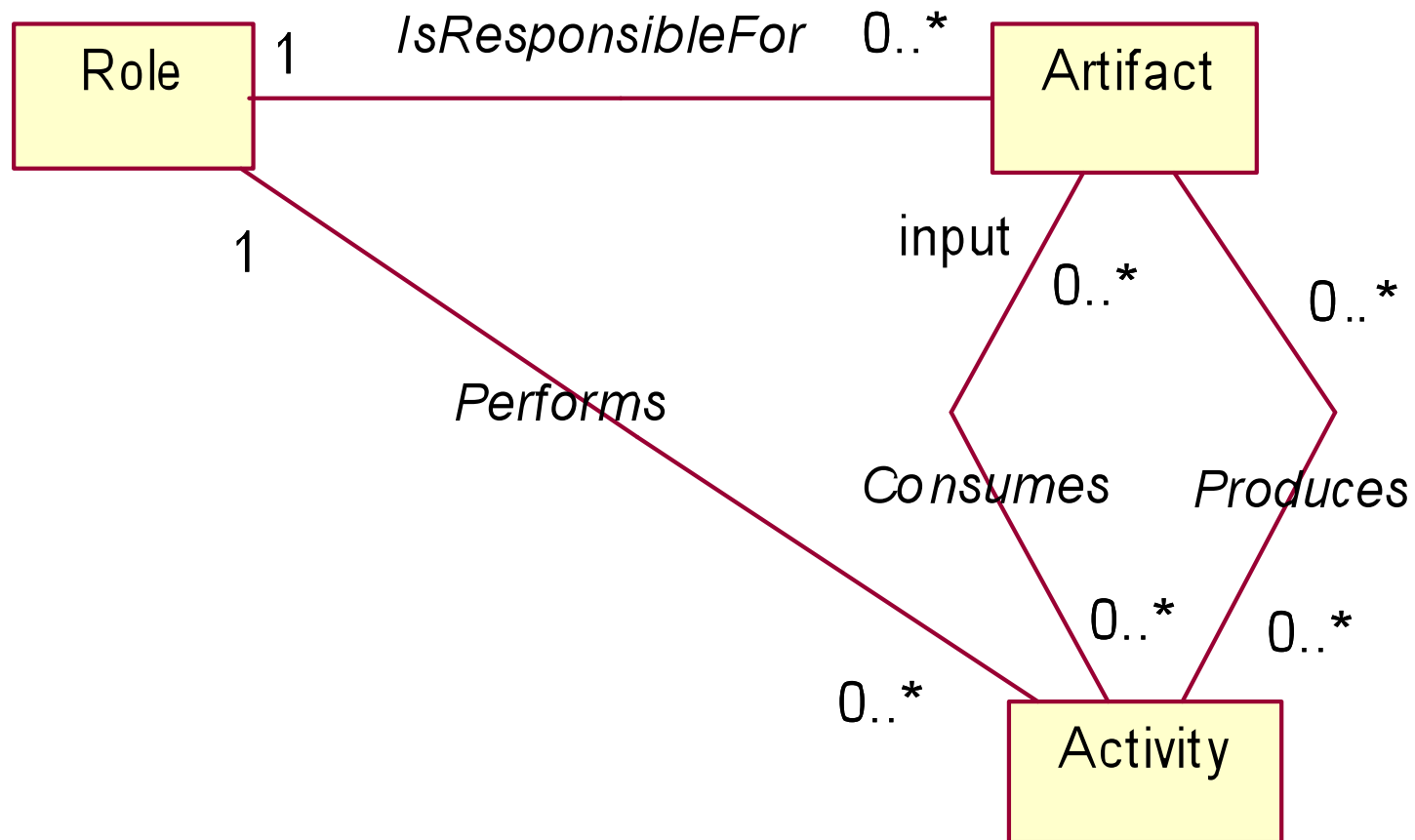
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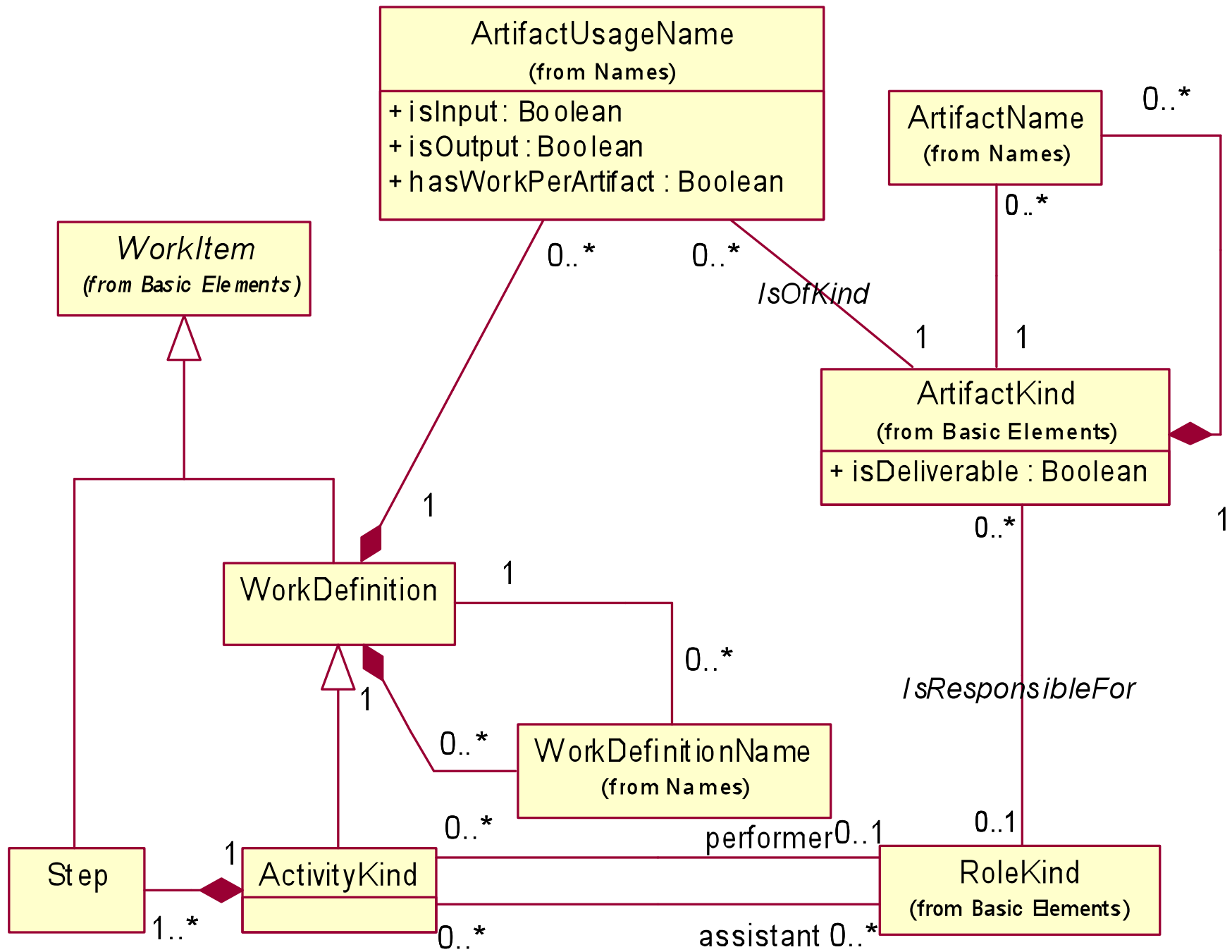
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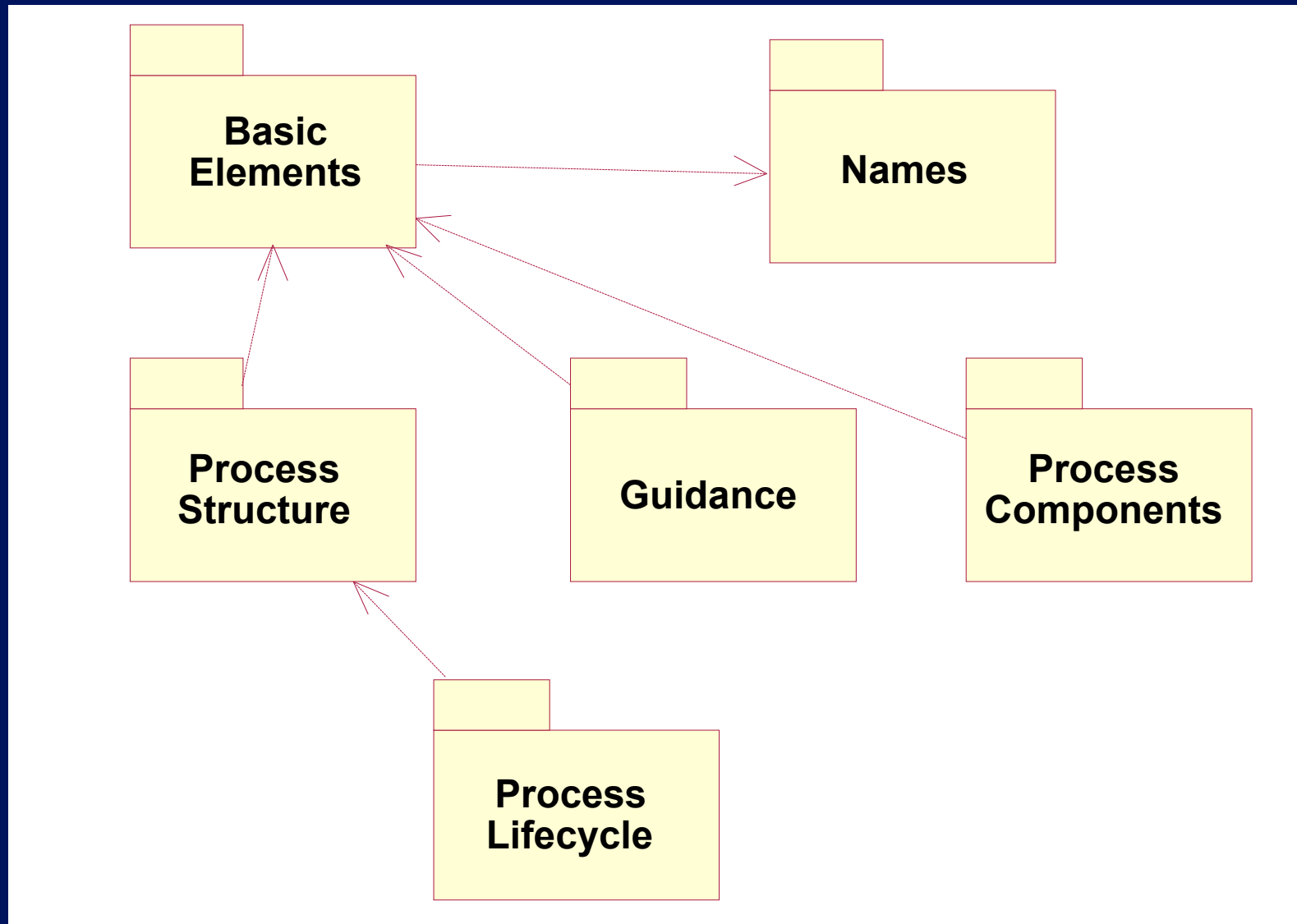
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of the broker design
pattern here. *egb 12/11/97*

Class Diagram

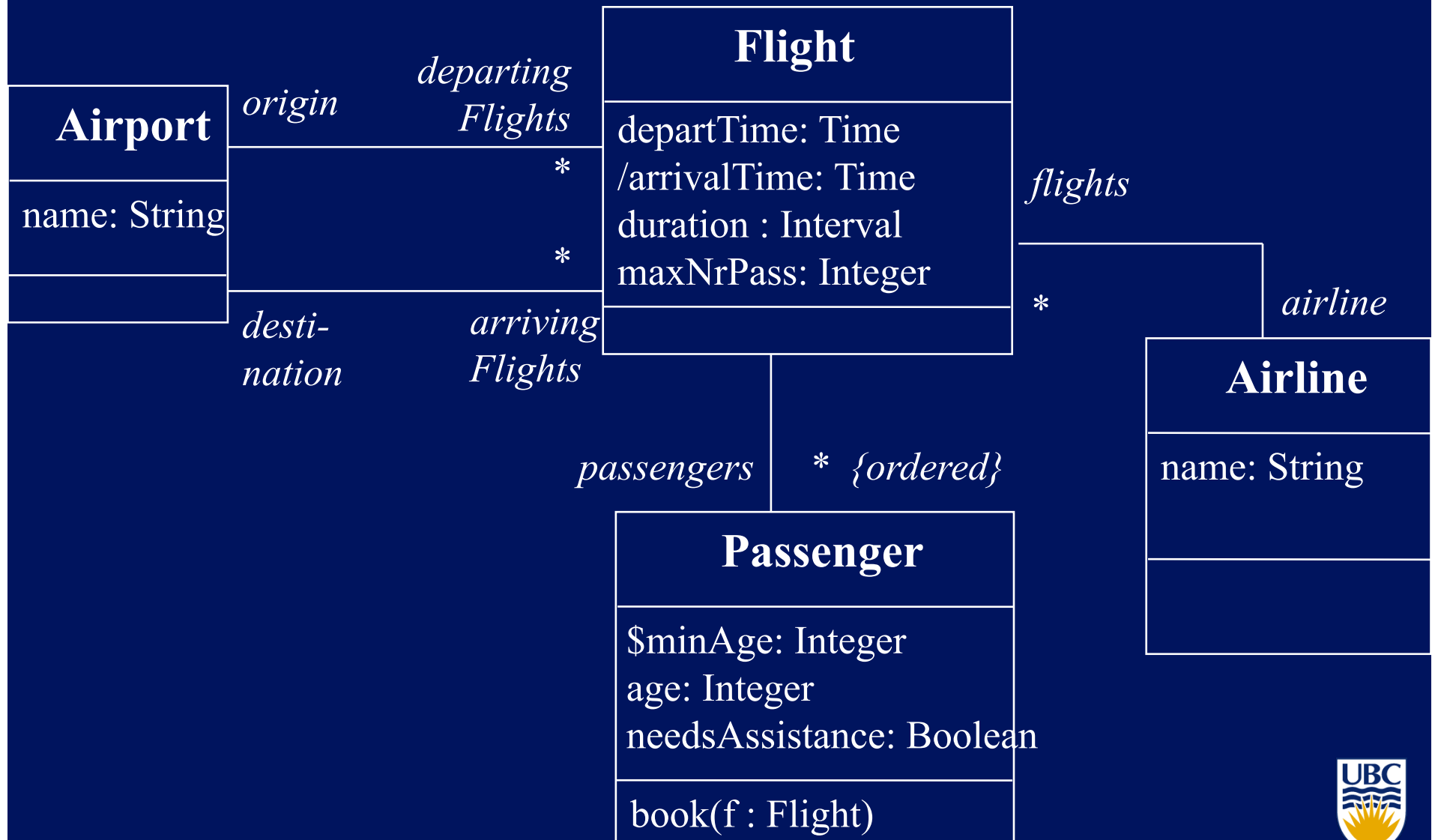


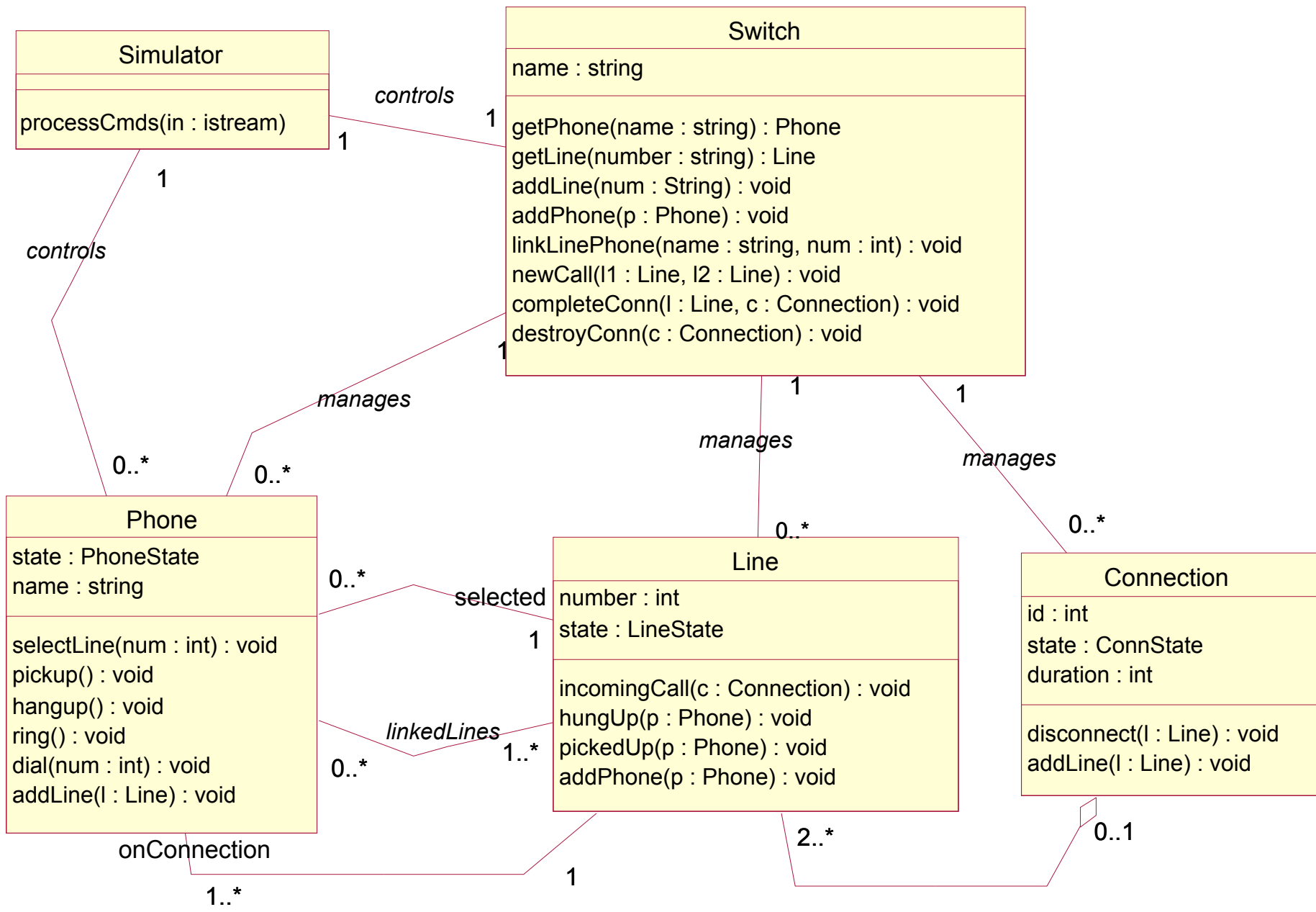


Class Diagram (3)

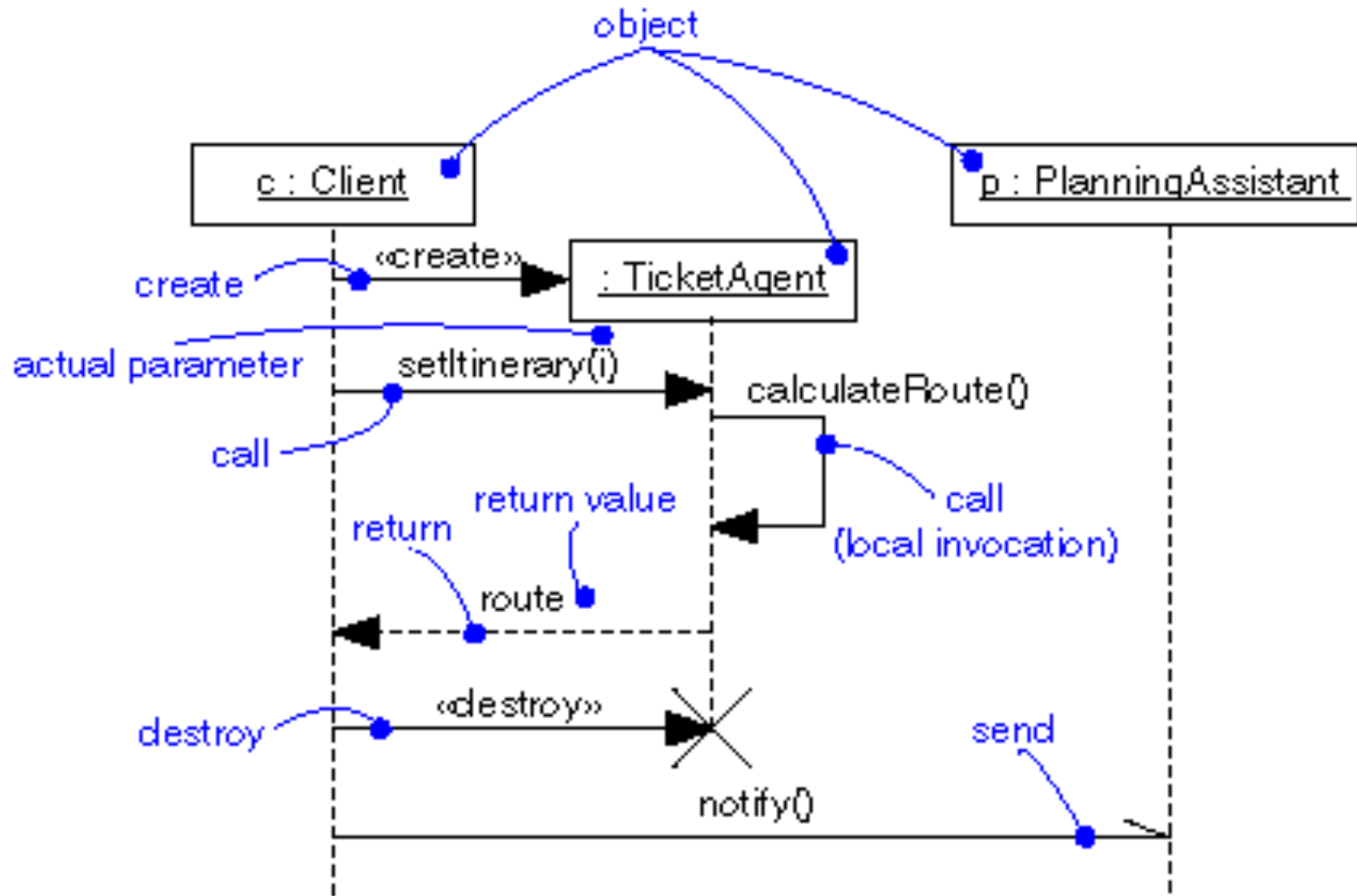


More class diagrams

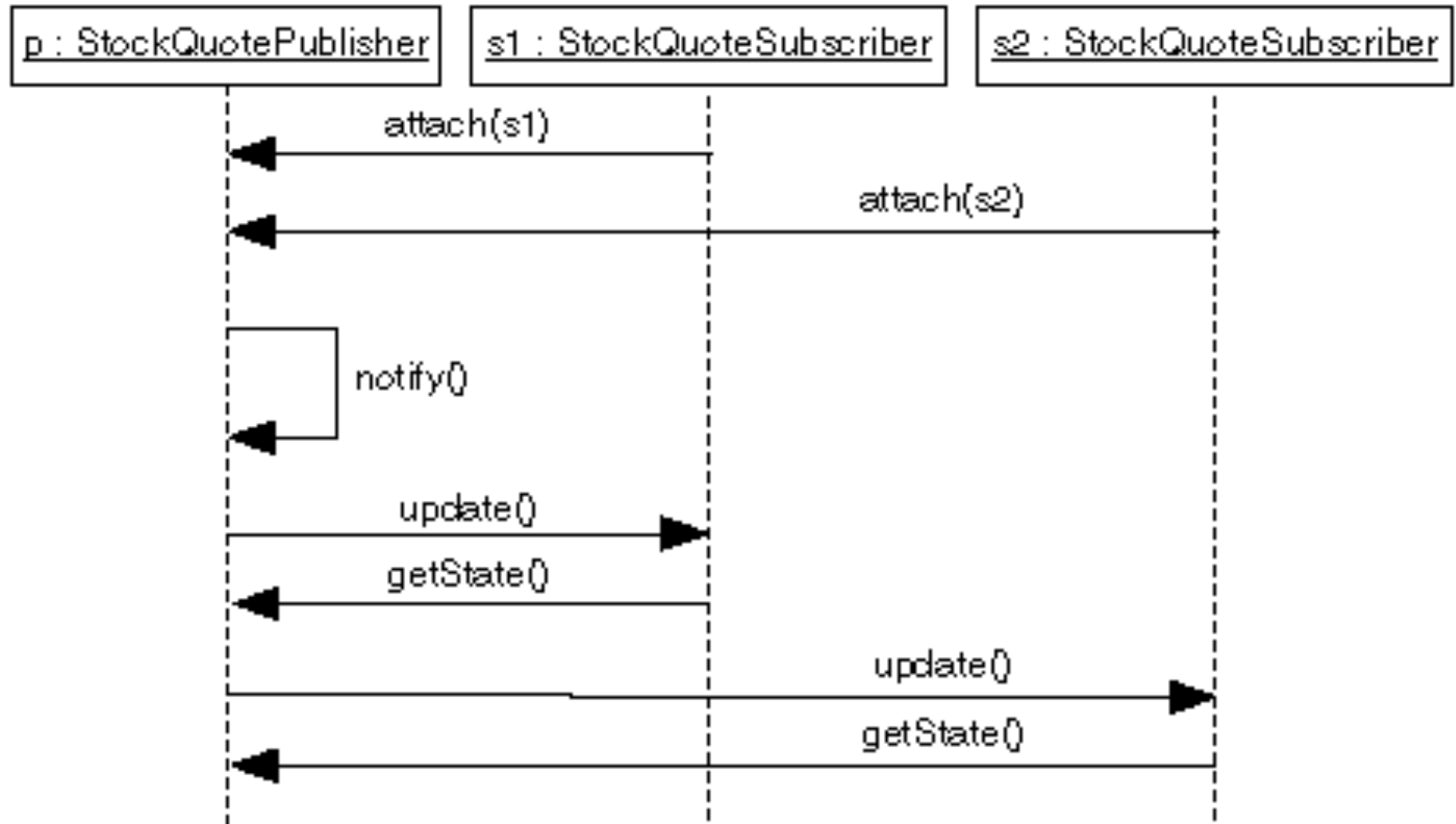




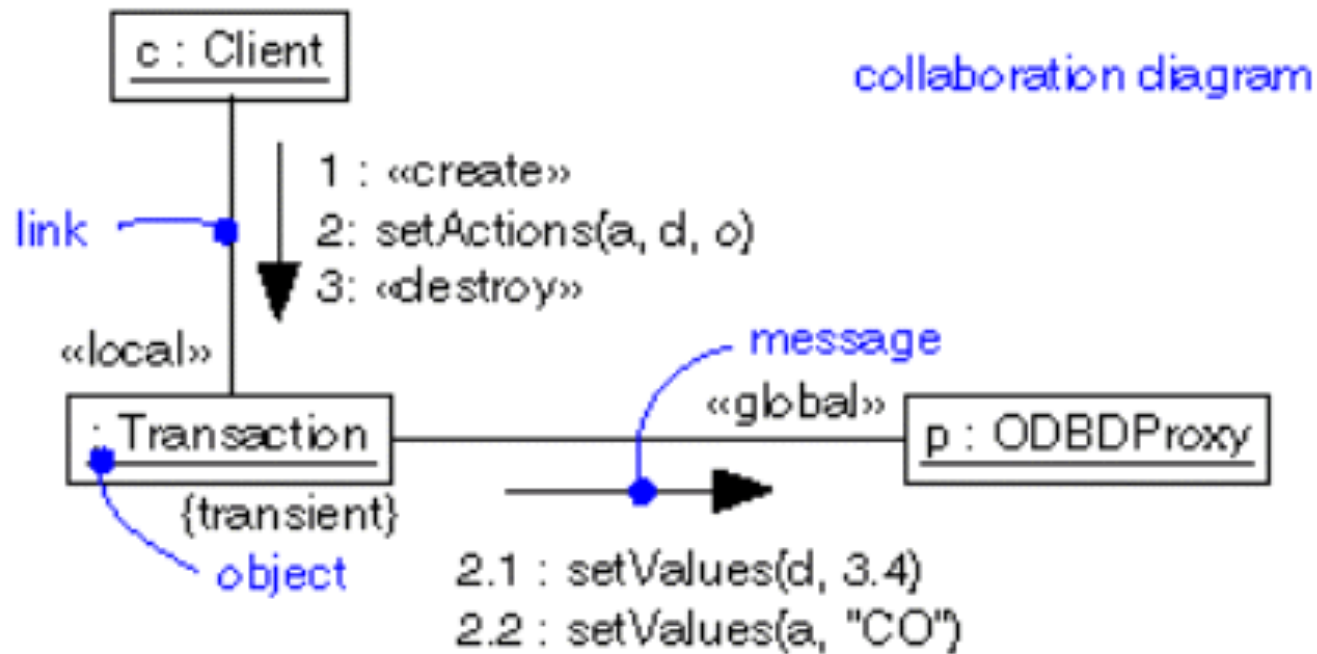
Sequence diagram



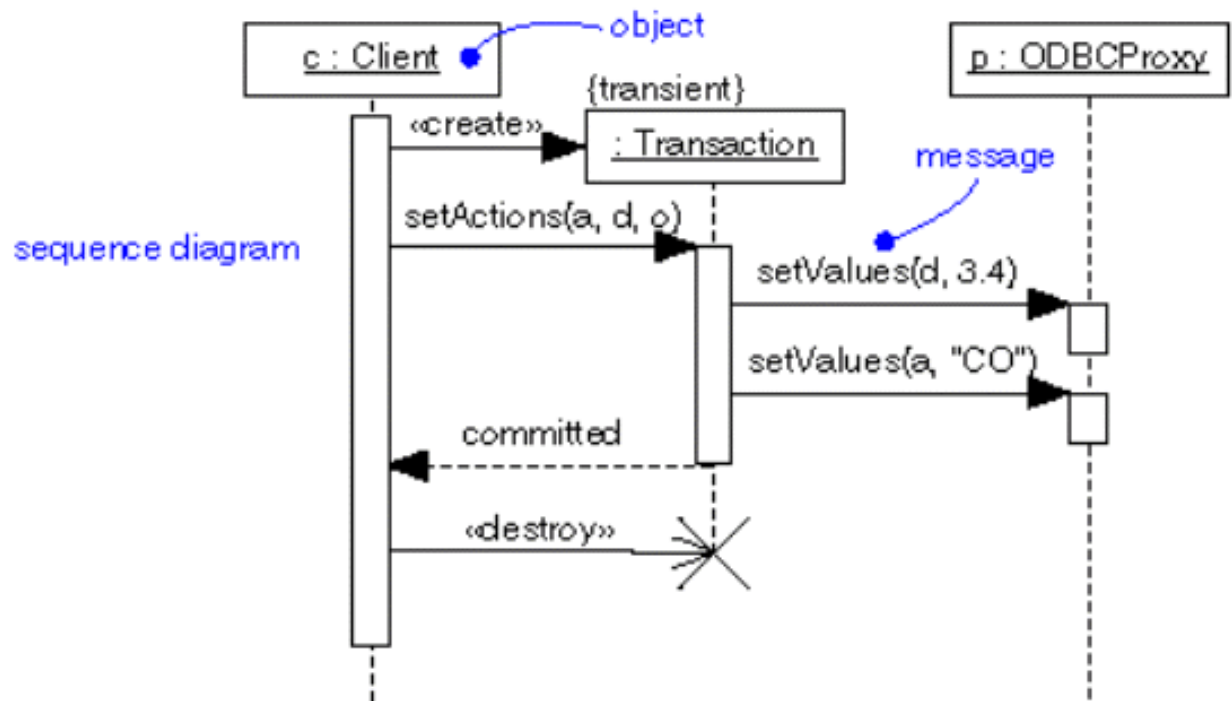
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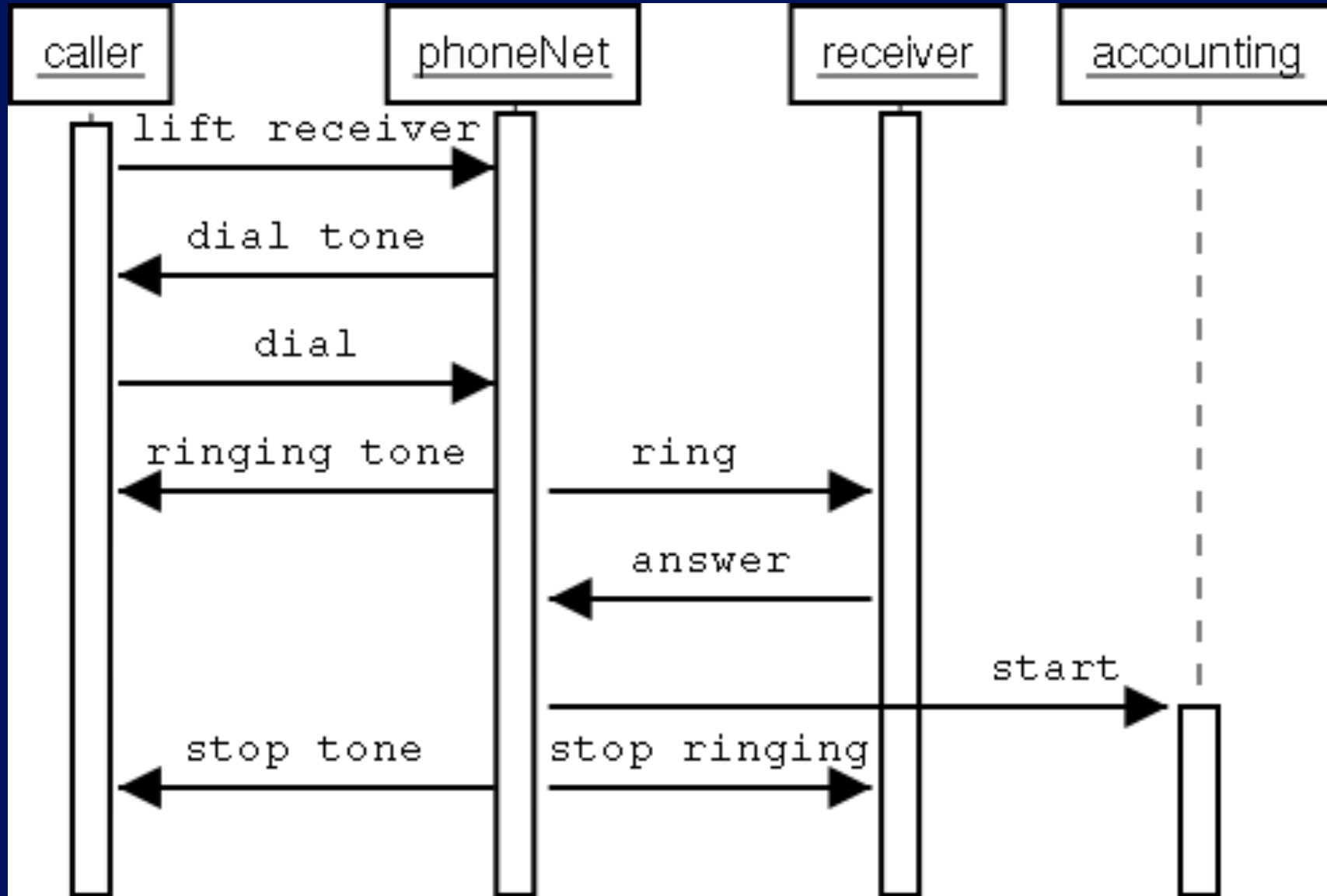
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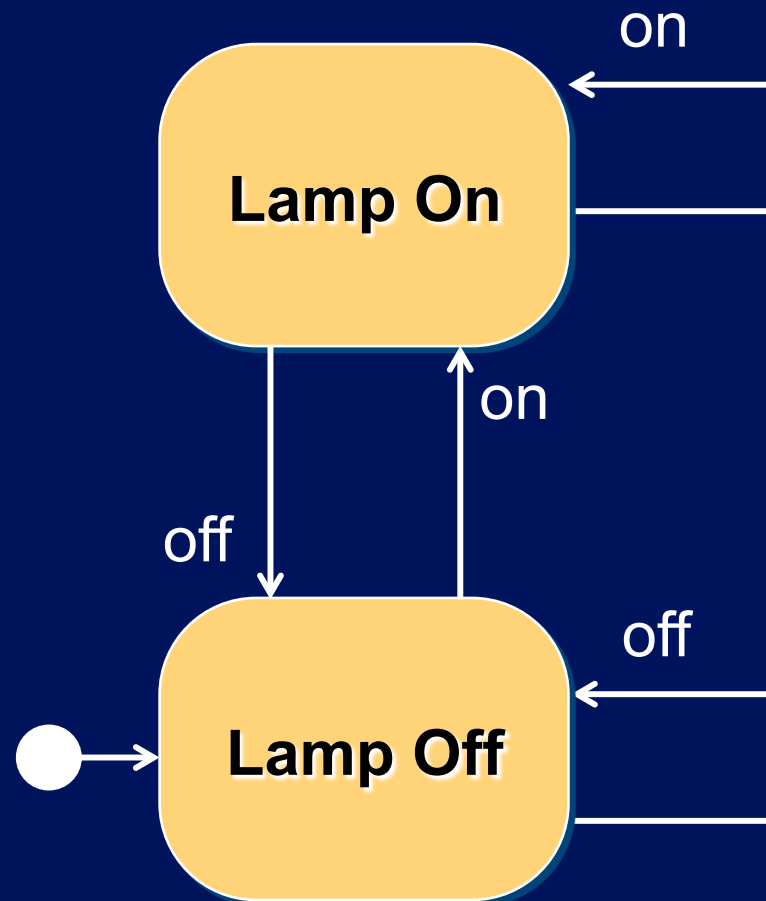
Sequence diagram



Sequence Diagram for a Phone Call

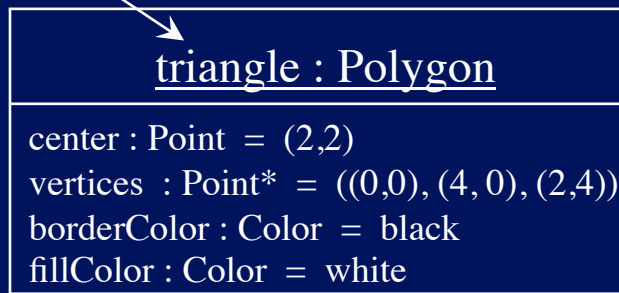


State diagram



Instances of a Class (Objects)

underlined name



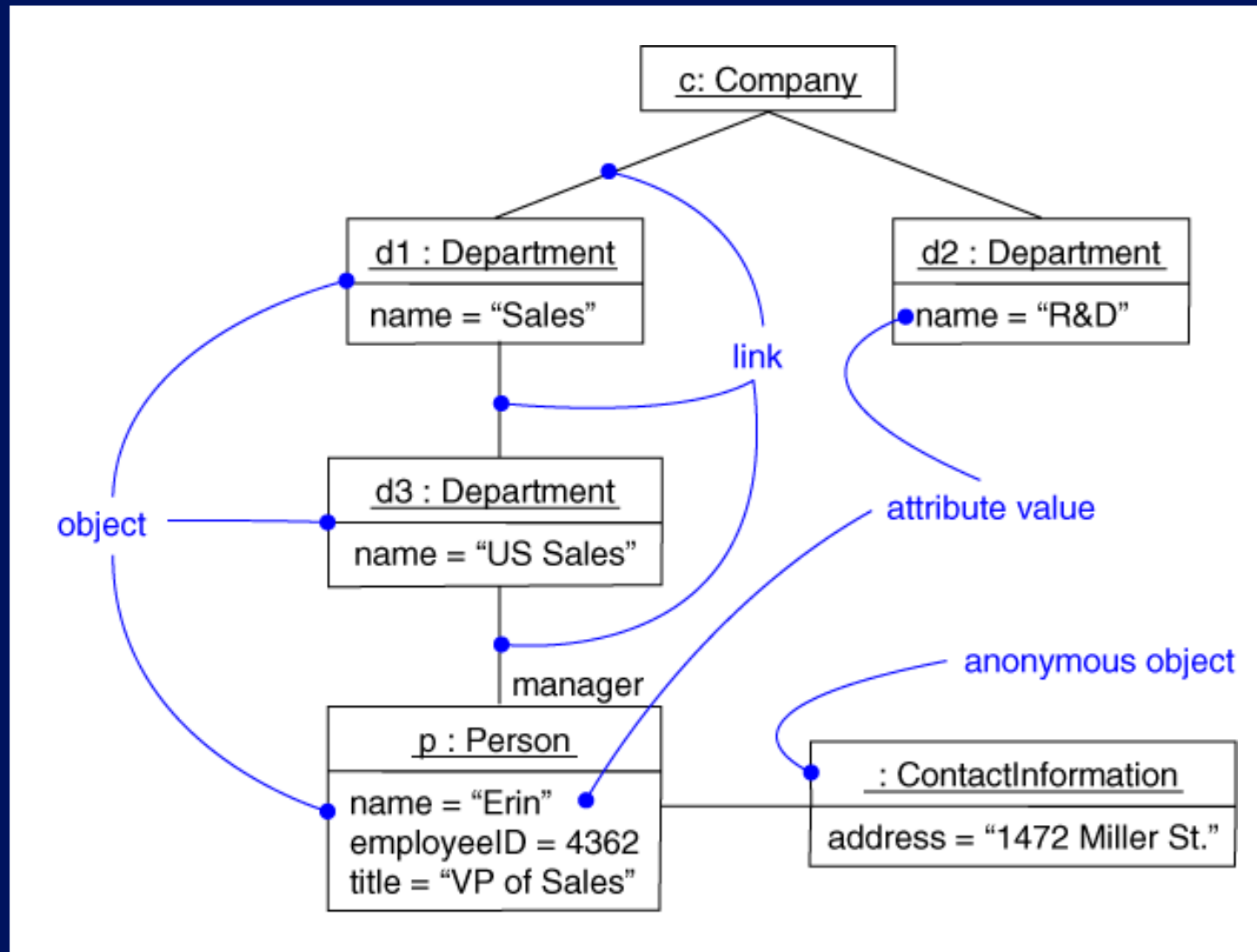
attribute links

triangle : Polygon

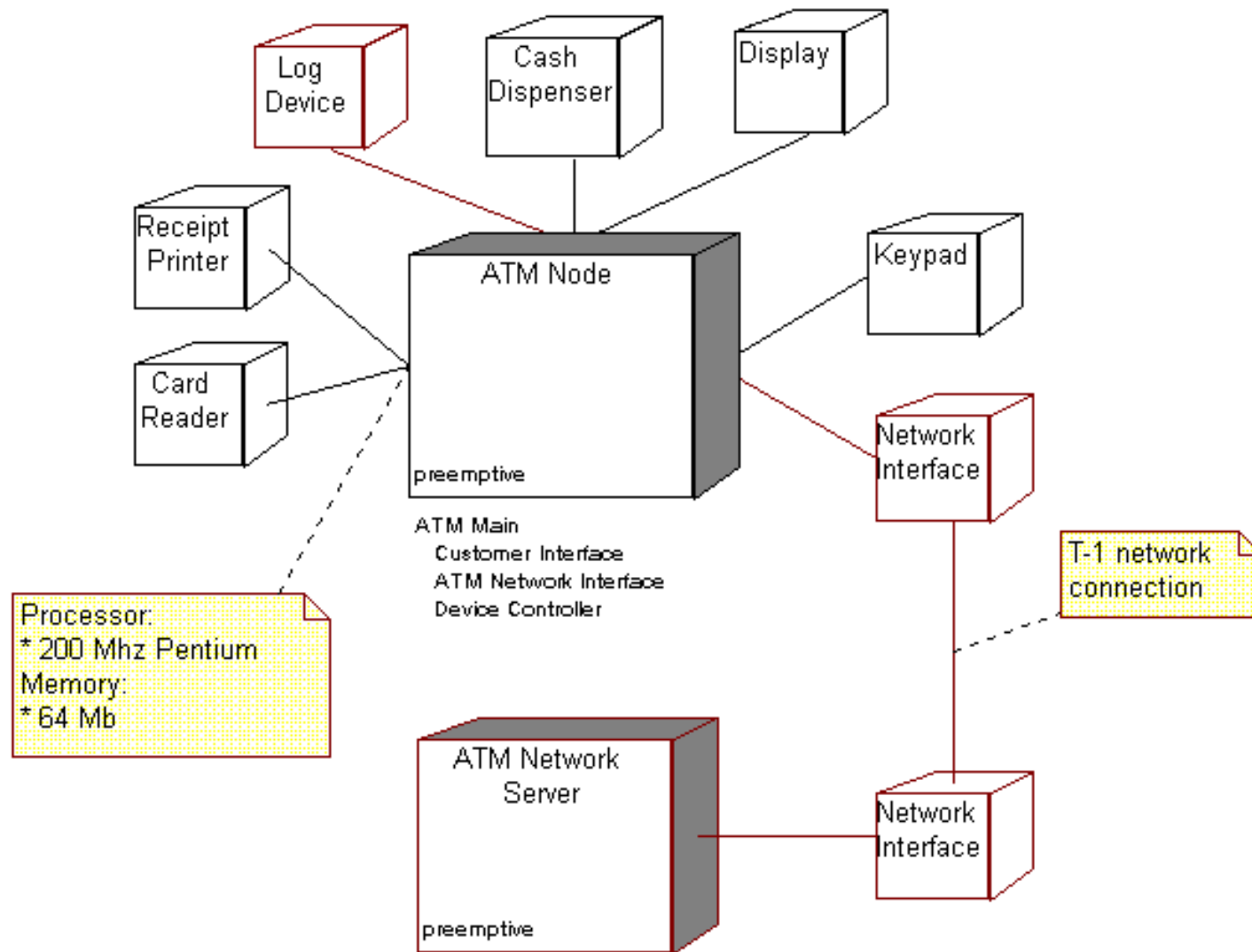
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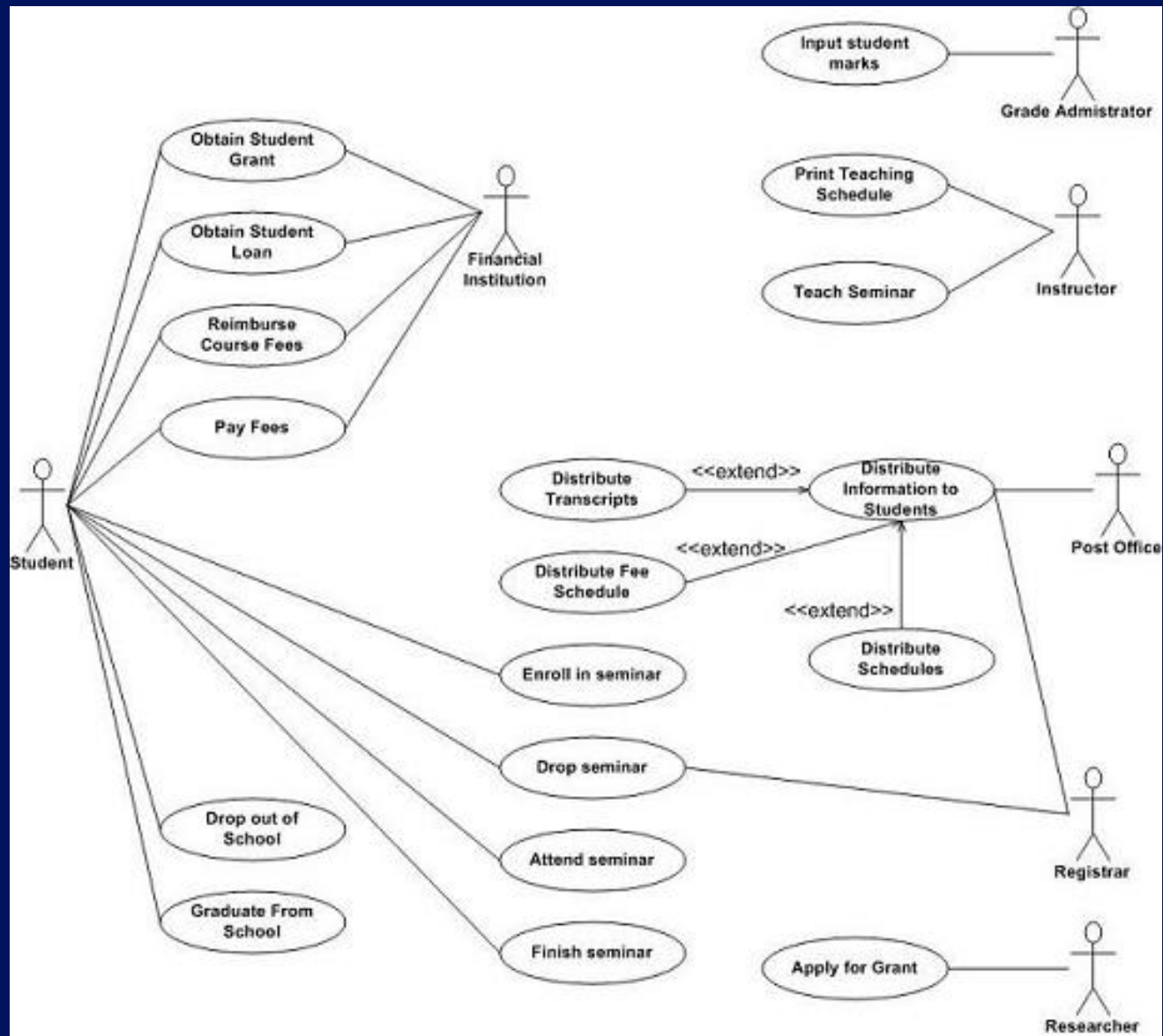
Object Diagram



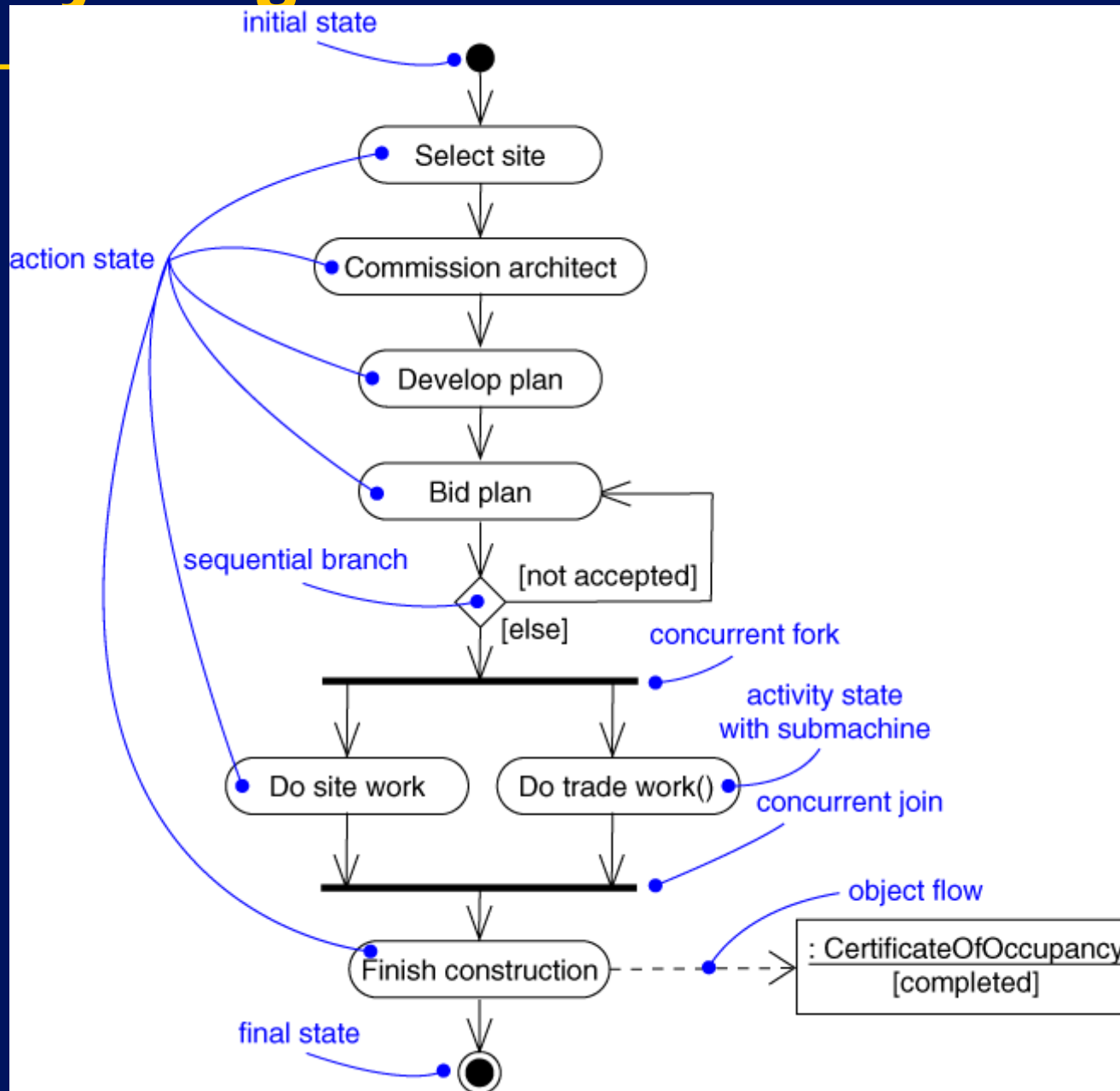
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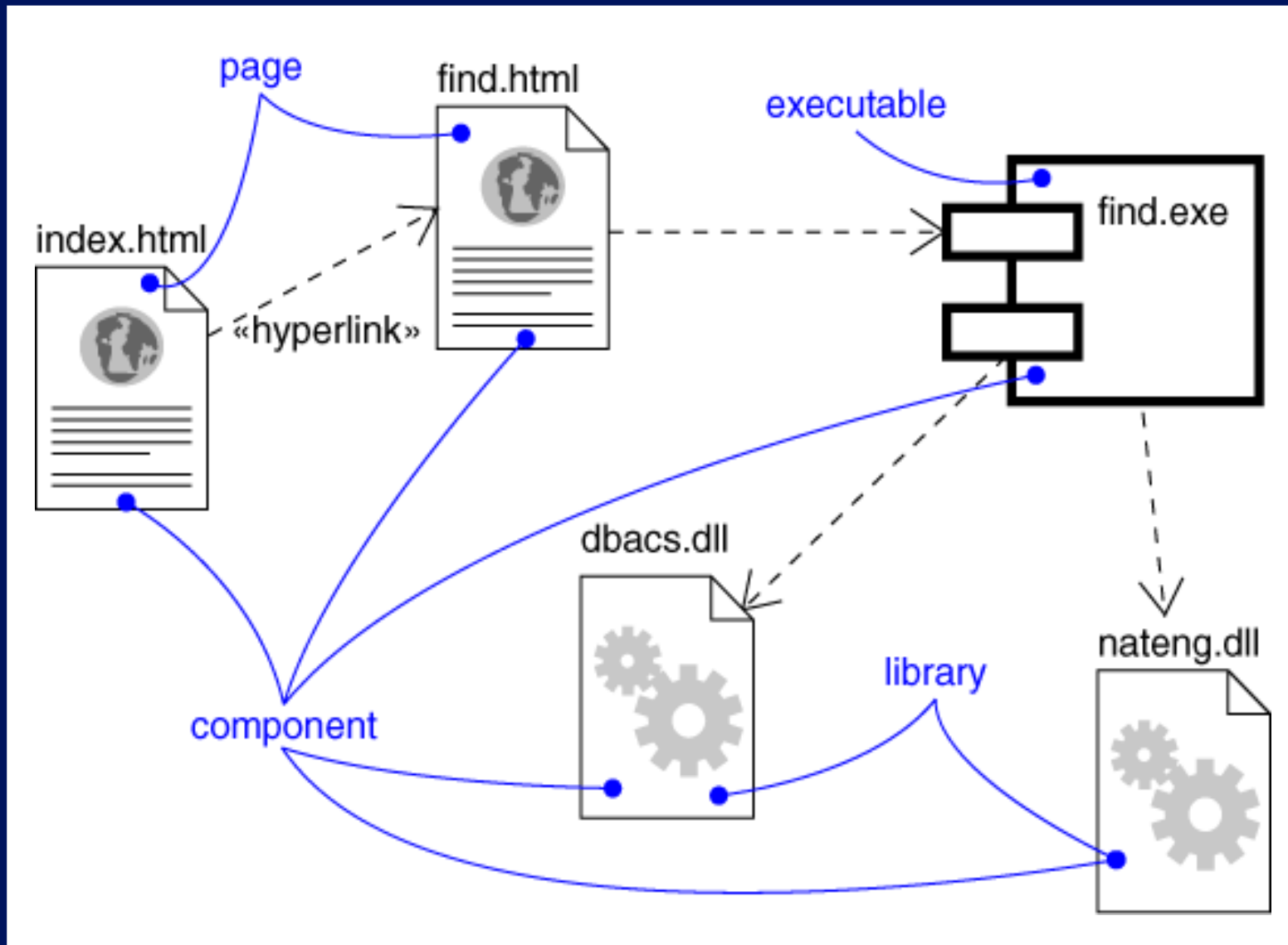
Use-case diagram



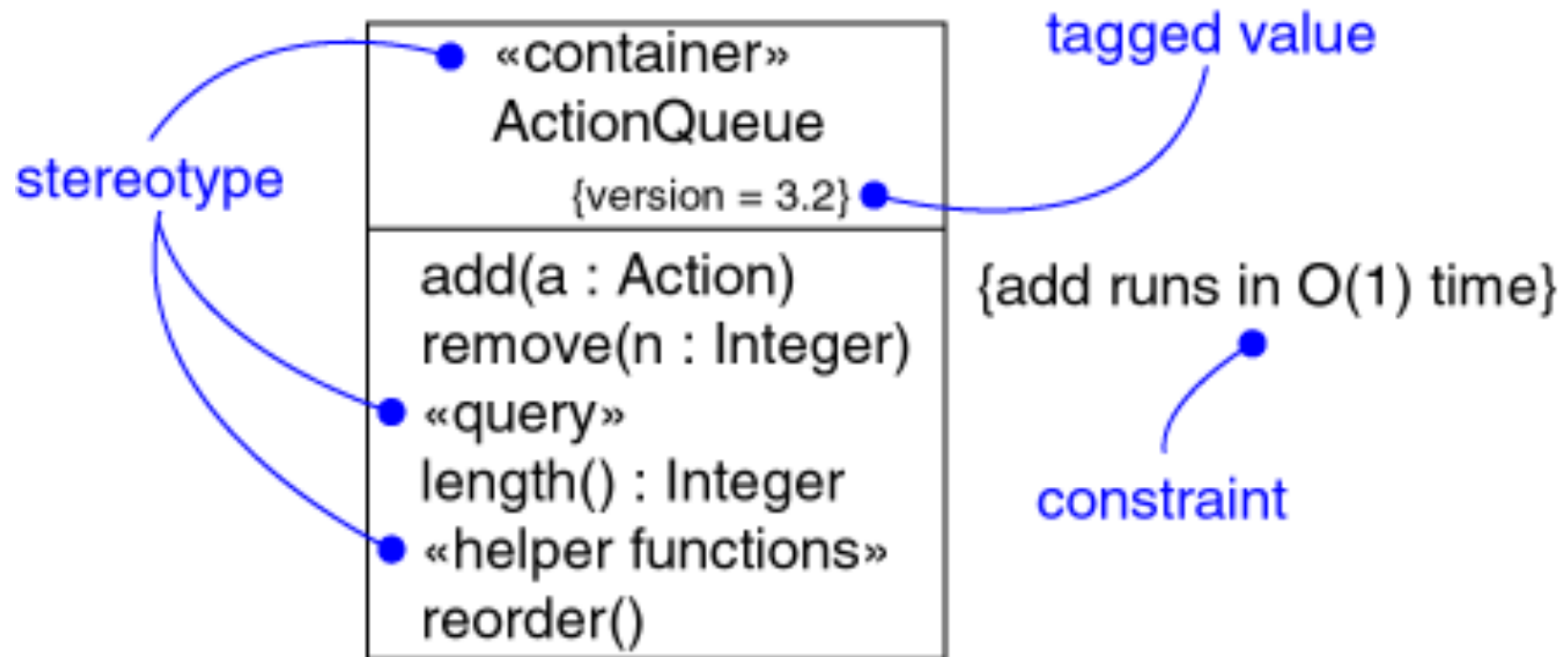
Activity Diagram

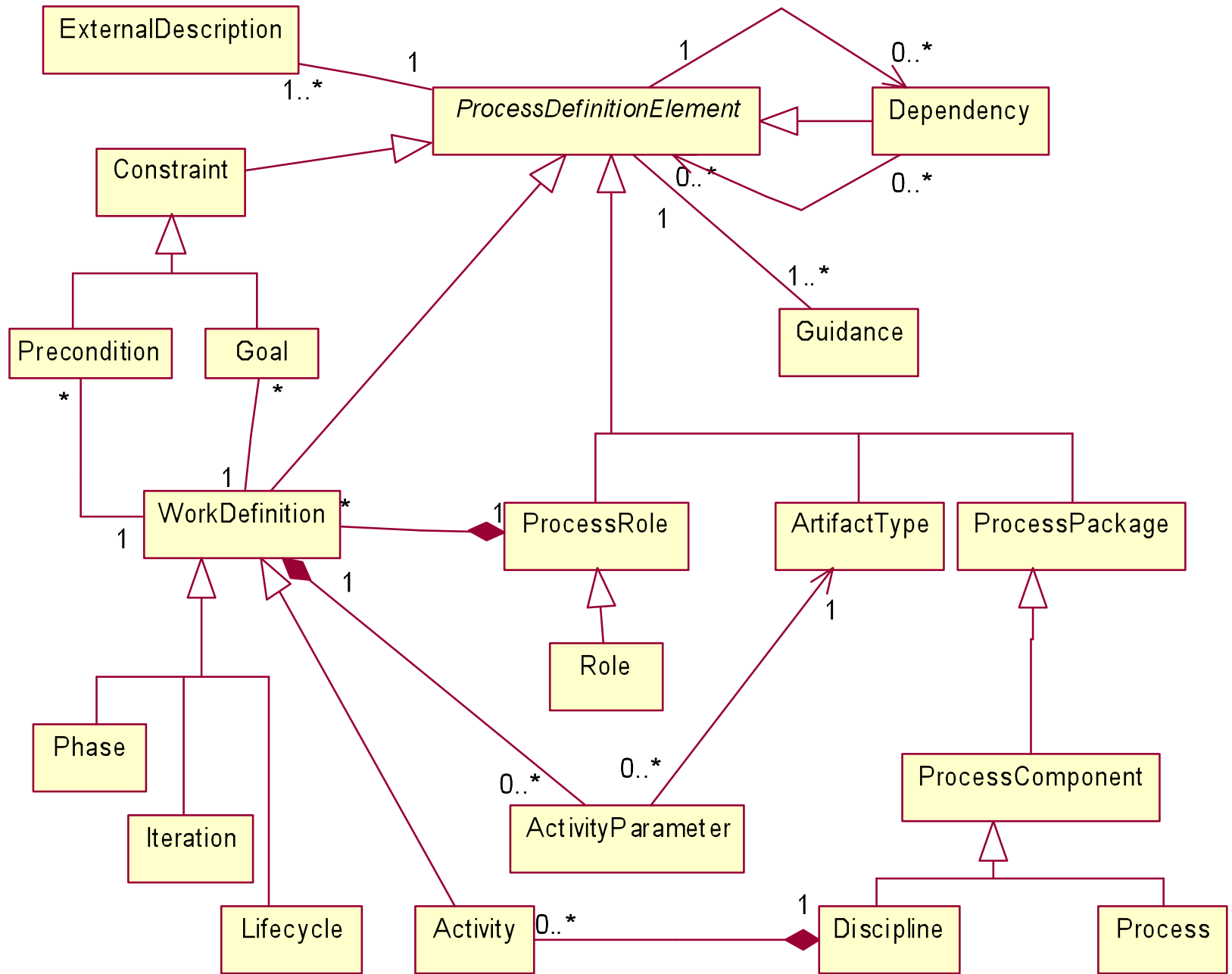


Component Diagram



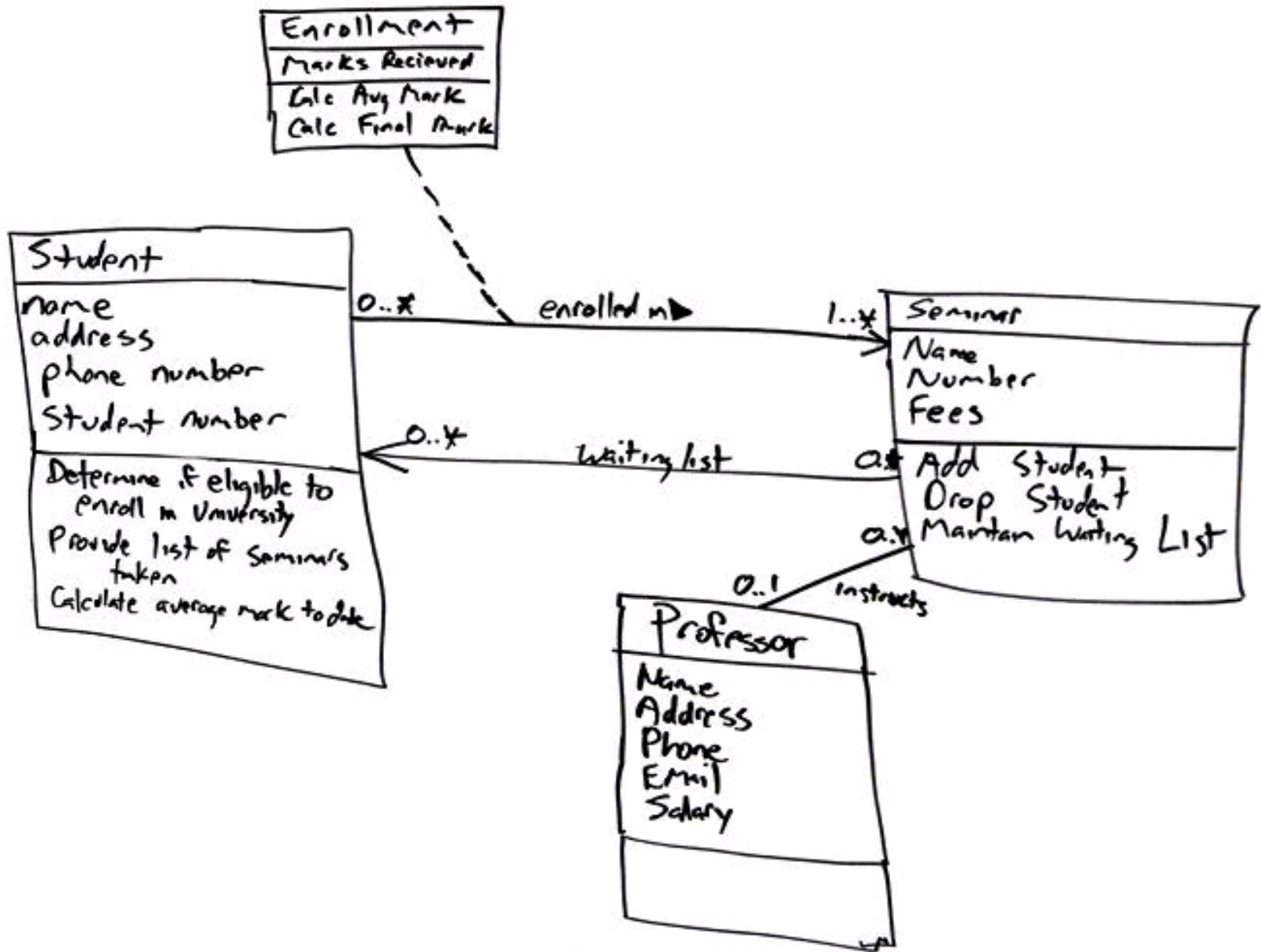
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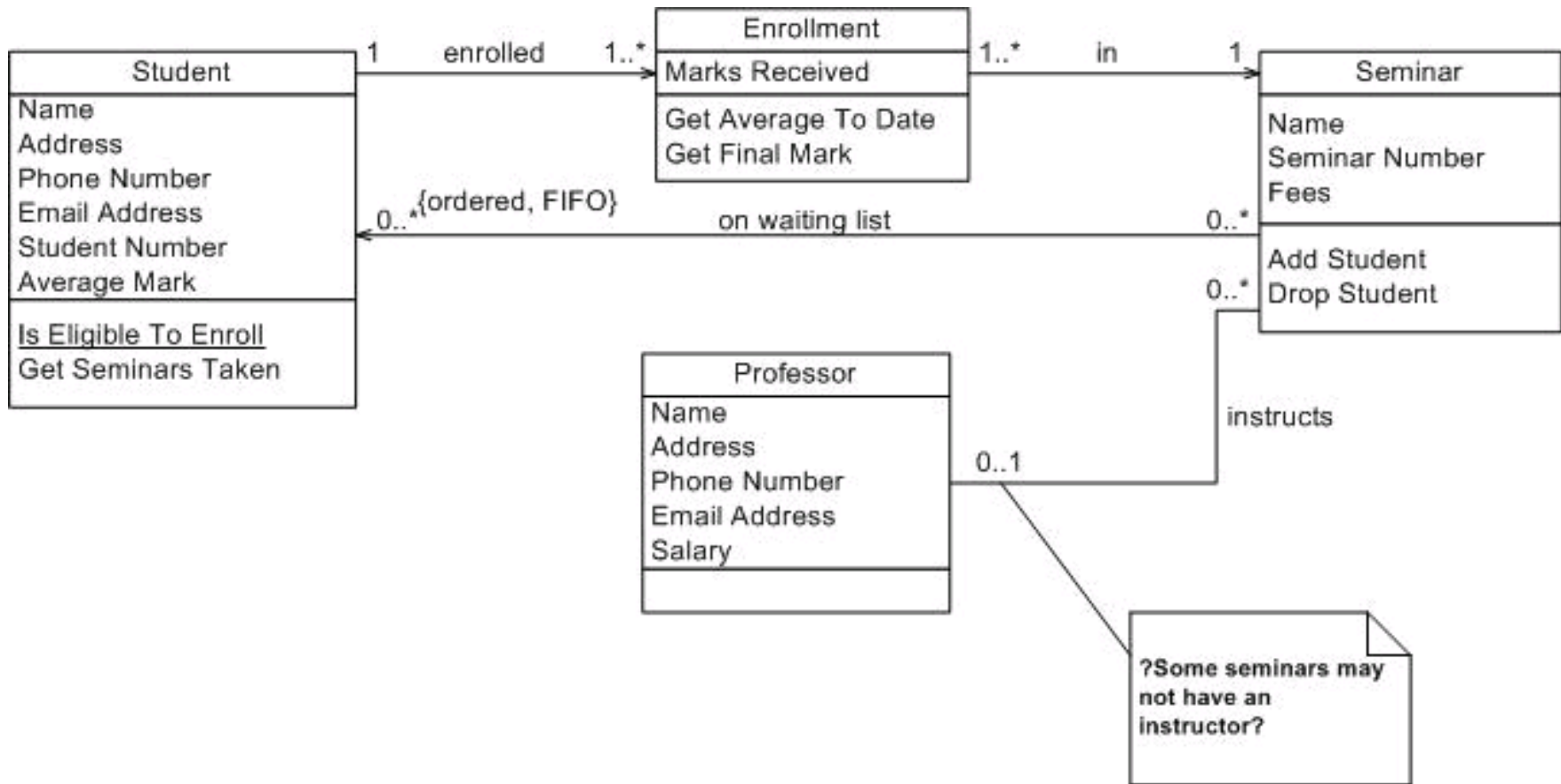




Tools to “do UML”

- *Pen and pencil (and eraser) + scanner*
- *White board and digital camera*
- IBM Rational Rose & Rose XDE (\$\$)
- IBM Rational Software Architect (\$\$\$\$\$)
- Microsoft Visio (\$)
 - use the free Pavel Hruby stencil: <http://www.softwarestencils.com/uml/index.html>
- Eclipse UML Plug-in (free)
- Visual Paradigm (free)
- Together Designer (Borland) (free)
- ArgoUML (free)
- and many more, mostly not free





References

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 - Scott Ambler's <http://www.agilemodeling.com/>
 - <http://www.uml.org/>
 - <http://www-306.ibm.com/software/rational/uml/>

Deployment Diagram

