

# Software Engineering I (02161)

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## Summary of the course

# What does this function do?

```
public List<Integer> qsort(List<Integer> list) {  
    if (list.size() <= 1) return list;  
  
    int k = list.elementAt(0);  
  
    List<Integer> l1 = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
    List<Integer> l2 = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
    List<Integer> l3 = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
  
    partition(k, list, l1, l3, l2);  
    List<Integer> r = qsort/(l1);  
  
    r.addAll(l3);  
    r.addAll(/(l2));  
    qsort  
    return r;  
}  
  
public void partition(int k, List<Integer> list,  
    List<Integer> l1, List<Integer> l2, List<Integer> l3) {  
    for (int i : list) {  
        if (i < k) l1.add(i);  
        if (i == k) l3.add(i);  
        if (i > k) l2.add(i);  
    }  
}
```

# What does this function do?

```
public void testEmpty() {  
    int[] a = {};  
    List<Integer> r = qsort(Array.asList(a));  
    assertTrue(r.isEmpty());  
}  
  
public void testOneElement() {  
    int[] a = { 3 };  
    List<Integer> r = qsort(Array.asList(a));  
    assertEquals(Array.asList(3), r);  
}  
  
public void testTwoElements() {  
    int[] a = {2, 1};  
    List<Integer> r = qsort(Array.asList(a));  
    assertEquals(Array.asList(1,2), r);  
}  
  
public void testThreeElements() {  
    int[] a = {2, 3, 1};  
    List<Integer> r = qsort(Array.asList(a));  
    assertEquals(Array.asList(1,2,3), r);  
}  
...
```

# What does this function do?

```
List<Integer> sort(List<Integer> a)
```

Contract of funct. sort

Precondition:  $a$  is not null

Postcondition: For all  $result$ ,  $a \in List<Integer>$ :

$result == f(a)$

if and only if

$isSorted(result)$  and  $sameElements(a, result)$

where

$isSorted(a)$  if and only if

**for all**  $0 \leq i, j < a.size()$ :

$i \leq j$  implies  $a.get(i) \leq a.get(j)$

and

$sameElements(a, b)$  if and only if

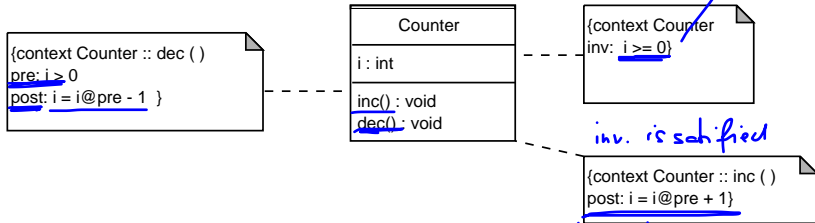
**for all**  $i \in Integer$ :  $count(a, i) = count(b, i)$

# Design by contract

## Contract between Caller and the Method

- ▶ Caller ensures precondition
- ▶ Method ensures postcondition
- ▶ Contracts specify what instead of *how*

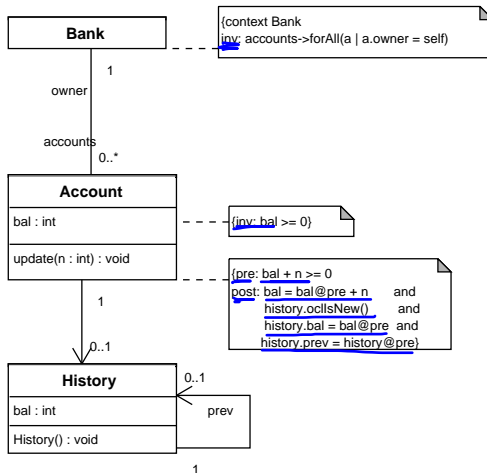
# Example Counter



```
public T n(T1 a1, ..., Tn an, Counter c)
...
// Here the precondition of c has to hold
// to fulfil the contract
c.dec();
// Before returning from dec, c has to ensure the
// postcondition of dec
...
```

(pre: true)  
inv. is satisfied

# Bank example with constraints

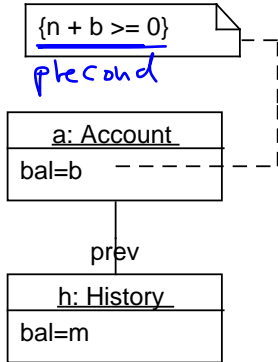




# Update operation of Account

```
{pre: bal + n >= 0  
post: bal = bal@pre + n    and  
      history.ocllsNew()    and  
      history.bal = bal@pre and  
      history.prev = history@pre}
```

State **before** executing  
update (n)

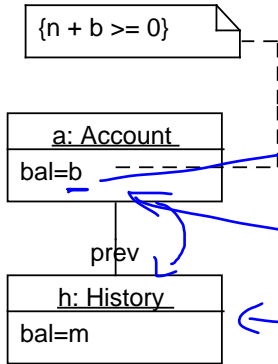


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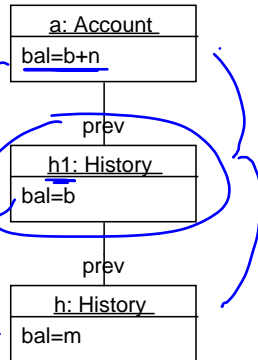
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OCL  
(Object Constraint Language)

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State **after** executing  
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# Example

```
LibraryApp::addMedium(Medium m)
pre: adminLoggedIn
post: medium@pre = medium->including(m) and
      medium.library = this
```

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```
LibraryApp::search(String string) : List<Medium>
post: result = medium->select(m |
      m.title.contains(string) or
      m.autor.contains(string) or
      m.signature.contains(string))
medium = medium@pre
```

---

```
User::borrowMedium(Medium m)
pre: borrowedMedium->size < 10
      and m != null
      and not(borrowedMedium->exists(m' | m'.isOverdue))
post: m.borrowDate = libApp.getDate() and
      borrowedMedium->includes(m)
```

# Postcondition

Assume that `result` denotes the result of the function  $f(x : \text{double})$ .

1) post:  $\text{result}^2 = x$

$$\sqrt{x} = \text{res}$$

$$\text{res}^2 = x = x$$

2) post:  $\text{result} = x^2$

$$x^2$$

3) post:  $x^2 = \text{result}$

$$x^2$$

4) post:  $x = \text{result}^2$

$$\sqrt{x}$$

Which statements are correct: (multiple answers are possible)

- a) 2 + 3 is the postcondition for the function computing the square of a number
- b) Only 2 is the postcondition for the function computing the square of a number
- c) 3 is the postcondition of the square root function
- e) 1 is the postcondition of the square root function

# Precondition

- ▶ Given the contract for a method *minmax*(*int[] array*) in a class which has instance variables *min* and *max* of type *int*:

pre: *array*  $\neq$  *null* and *array.length* > 0

post:  $\forall i \in \text{array} : \text{min} \leq i \leq \text{max}$

- ▶ Which of the following statements is true: if the client calls *minmax* such the precondition is not satisfied
  - a) A *NullPointerException* is thrown *f*
  - b) An *IndexOutOfBoundsException* is thrown *f*
  - c) Nothing happens *f*
  - d) What happens depends on the implementation of *minmax* ✓

What happens depends on the implementation of minmax

# Implementing DbC with assertions

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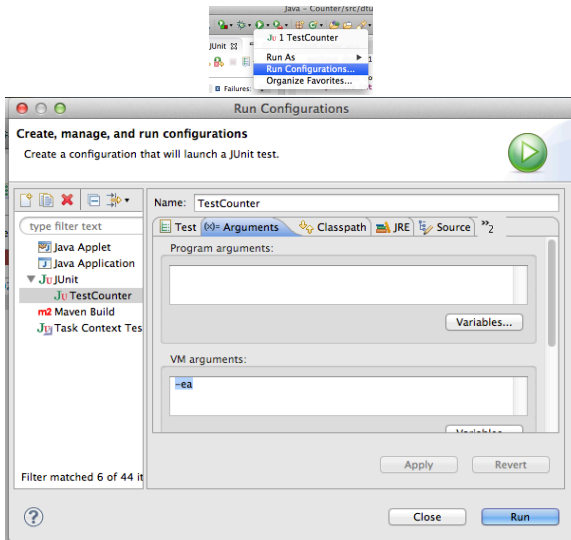
- ▶ `assert`  $\neq$  `assertTrue`



# Important

- ▶ Assertion checking is switched off by default in Java

- 1) `java -ea Main`
- 2) In Eclipse



# Implementing DbC in Java

Pre: *args*  $\neq$  *null* and *args.length*  $> 0$

Post:  $\forall n \in \text{args} : \text{min} \leq n \leq \text{max}$

```
public class MinMax {
    int min, max;

    public void minmax(int[] args) throws Error {
        assert args != null && args.length != 0;
        min = max = args[0];
        for (int i = 1; i < args.length; i++) {
            int obs = args[i];
            if (obs > max)
                max = obs;
            else if (min < obs)
                min = obs;
        }
        assert isBetweenMinMax(args);
    }

    private boolean isBetweenMinMax(int[] array) {
        boolean result = true;
        for (int n : array) {
            result = result && (min <= n && n <= max);
        }
        return result;
    }
}
```

# Assertions

- ▶ Advantage

- ▶ Postcondition is checked for each computation
- ▶ Precondition is checked for each computation

- ▶ Disadvantage

- ▶ Checking that a postcondition is satisfied can take as much time as computing the result

→ Performance problems

- ▶ Solution:

- ▶ Assertion checking is switched on during debugging and testing and switched off in production systems
- ▶ Only make assertions for precondition
- Preconditions are usually faster to check
- Contract violations by the client are more difficult to find than postcondition violations (c.f. assertions vs tests)

# Assertion vs. Tests

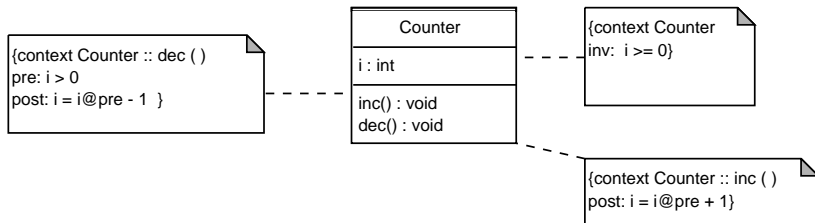
- ▶ Assertion

- ▶ Check all computations (as long as assertion checking is switched on)
- ▶ Check also for contract violations from the client (i.e. precondition violations)

- ▶ Tests

- ▶ Only check test cases (concrete values)
- ▶ Cannot check what happens if the contract is violated by the client

# Counter



- ▶ **Methods**
  - ▶ assume that invariant holds
  - ▶ ensure invariants
- ▶ **When does an invariant hold?**
  - ▶ After construction
  - ▶ After each *public* method

# Invariants

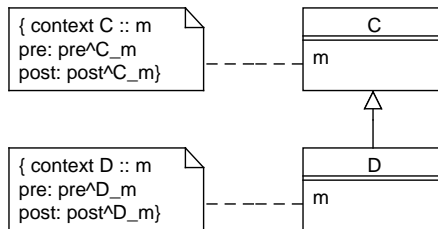
- ▶ Constructor has to ensure invariant

```
public Counter() {  
    i = 0;  
    assert i >= 0; // Invariant  
}
```

- ▶ Operations ensure and assume invariant

```
void dec() {  
    assert i >= 0; // Invariant  
    assert i > 0; // Precondition  
    int prei = i; // Remember the value of the counter  
                  // to be used in the postcondition  
    i--;  
    assert i == prei-1; // Postcondition  
    assert i >= 0; // Invariant  
}
```

# Contracts and inheritance



# Contracts and Inheritance

## Liskov / Wing Substitution principle:

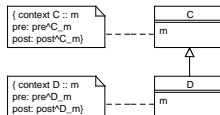
At every place, where one can use objects of the superclass C, one can use objects of the subclass D

```
public T n(C c)
...
// has to ensure  $\text{Pre}^{\wedge}C\_m$ 
c.m();
// n can rely  $\text{Post}^{\wedge}C\_m$ 
...
```

- Compare  $t.n(\text{newC}())$  with  $t.n(\text{newD}())$ .

→  $\text{Pre}_m^C \implies \text{Pre}_m^D$  weaker precondition

→  $\text{Post}_m^D \implies (\text{Pre}_m^C \implies \text{Post}_m^C)$   
stronger postcondition





# Counter vs. Counter1

Counter and Counter1 are identical with the exception of operation dec:

- ▶ Counter::dec

pre:  $i > 0$

post:  $i = i@pre - 1$

- ▶ Counter1::dec

pre: true

post:  $(i@pre > 0) \implies i = i@pre - 1$  and

$(i@pre \leq 0) \implies i = 0$

Which statement is true?

- a) Counter is a subclass of Counter1
- b) Counter1 is a subclass of Counter
- c) There is no subclass relationship between Counter and Counter1

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↳ because of invariant.

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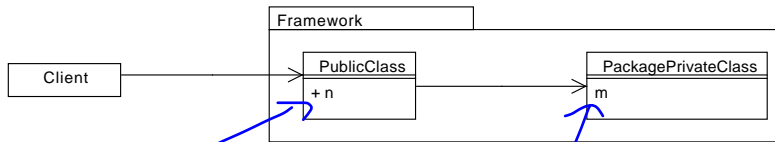
- ▶ Or, using under specification

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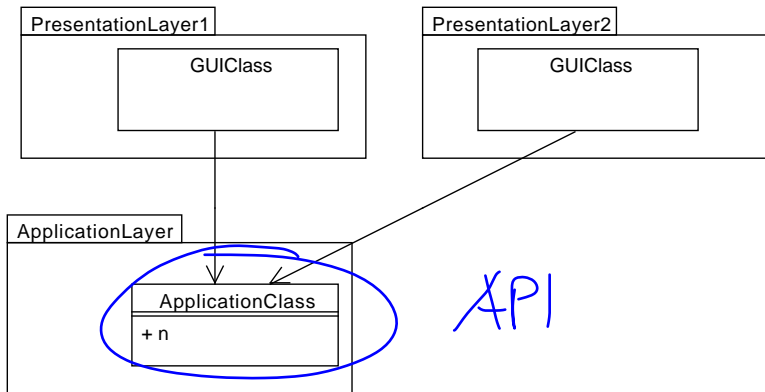
if you can't control the client  
precond. if you can



defensive prog.

non defensive prog. possible

# Defensive Programming



# Defensive Programming

## Given method contracts 1)

```
LibraryApp::addMedium(Medium m)
pre: adminLoggedIn
post: medium@pre = medium->including(m) and
      medium.library = this)
```

and 2)

```
LibraryApp::addMedium(Medium m)
post: adminLoggedIn implies
      medium@pre = medium->including(m) and
      medium.library = this)
```

pre: true

Which statement is correct?

a) 1) uses defensive programming

b) 2) uses defensive programming



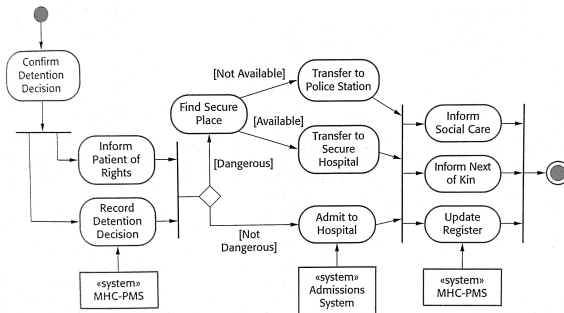
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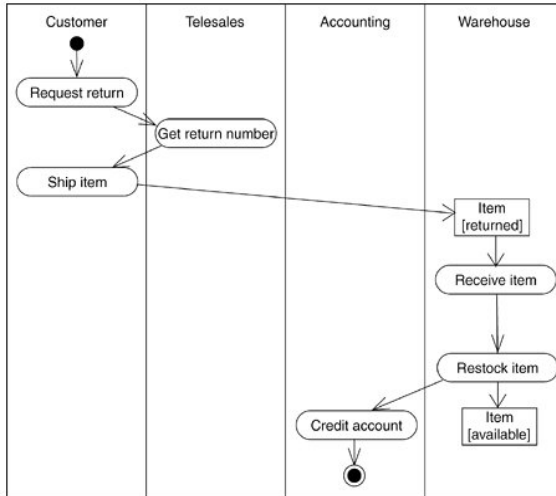
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# Activity Diagram: Business Processes

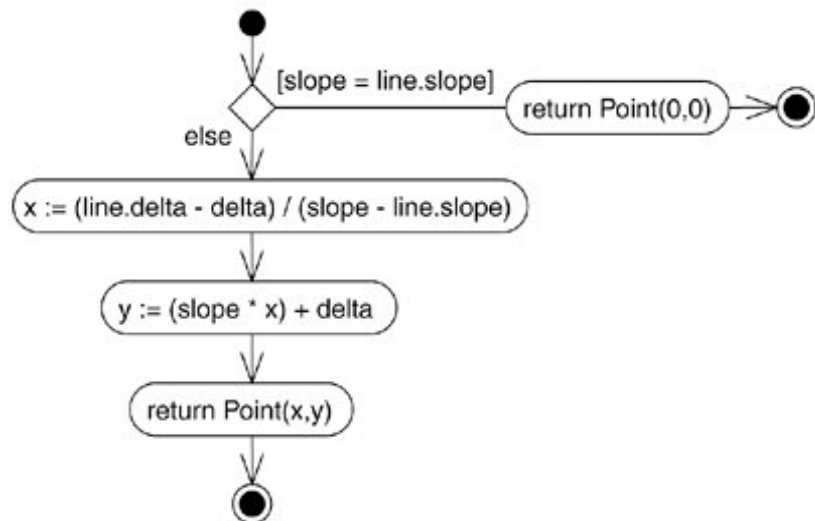


- ▶ Describe the *context* of the system
- ▶ Helps finding the requirements of a system
  - ▶ modelling business processes leads to suggestions for possible systems and ways how to interact with them
  - ▶ Software systems need to fit in into existing business processes

# Activity Diagram Example Workflow



## Activity Diagram Example Operation



# UML Activity Diagrams

- ▶ Focus is on *control flow* and *data flow*
- ▶ Good for showing *parallel/concurrent* control flow
- ▶ Purpose
  - ▶ Model business processes
  - ▶ Model workflows
  - ▶ Model single operations
- ▶ Literature: UML Distilled by Martin Fowler

# Activity Diagram Concepts

## ▶ *Actions*



- ▶ Are atomic
- ▶ E.g Sending a message, doing some computation, raising an exception, ...
  - ▶ UML has approx. 45 Action types

## ▶ *Concurrency*

- ▶ Fork: Creates concurrent flows



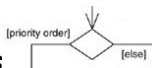
- ▶ Can be true concurrency
  - ▶ Can be interleaving

- ▶ Join: Synchronisation of concurrent activities



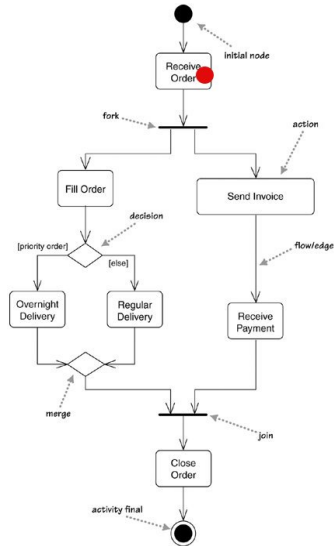
- ▶ Wait for all concurrent activities to finish (based on token semantics)

## ▶ *Decisions*

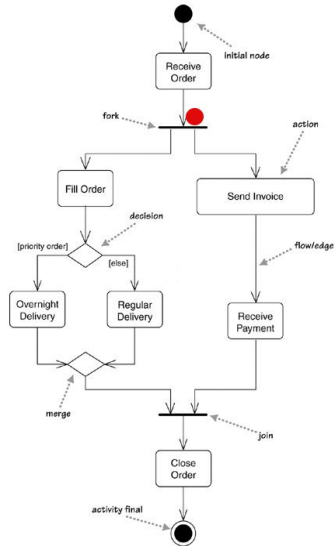


- ▶ Notation: Diamond with conditions on outgoing transitions
- ▶ `else` denotes the transition to take if no other condition is satisfied

# Activity Diagrams Execution

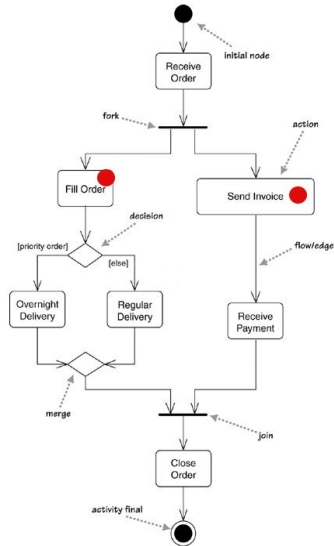


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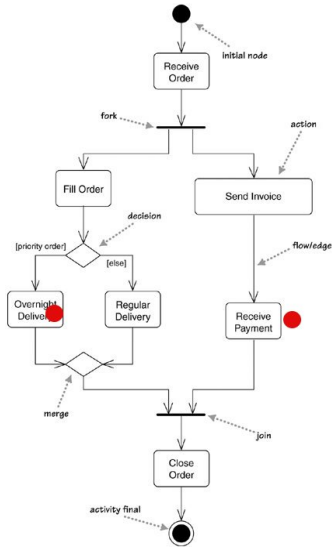




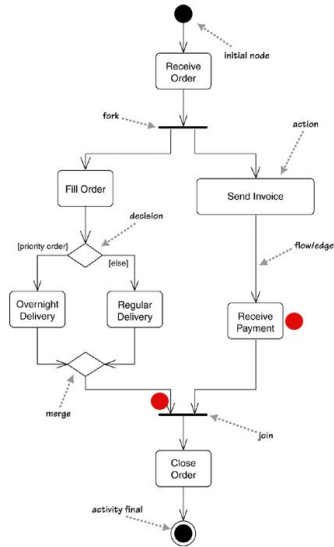
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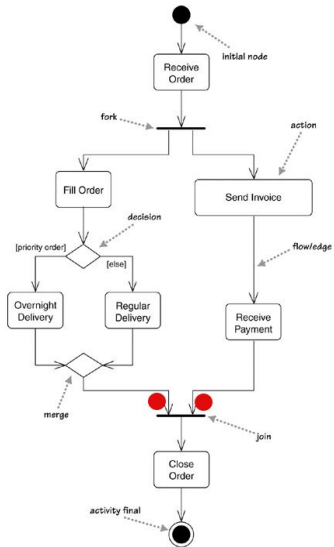
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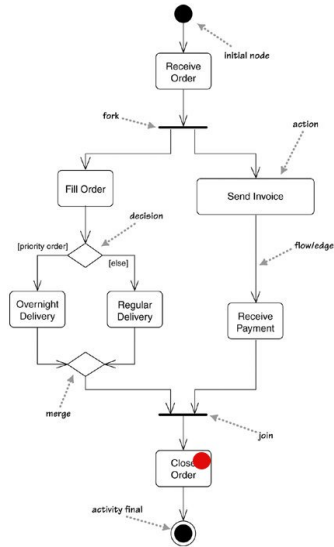
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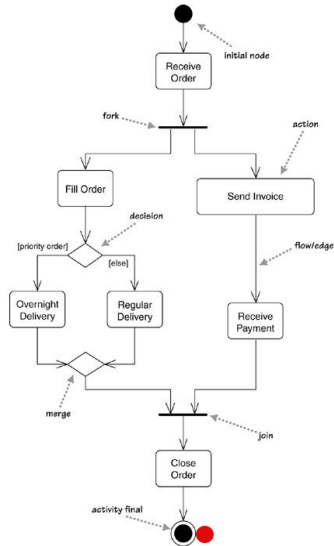
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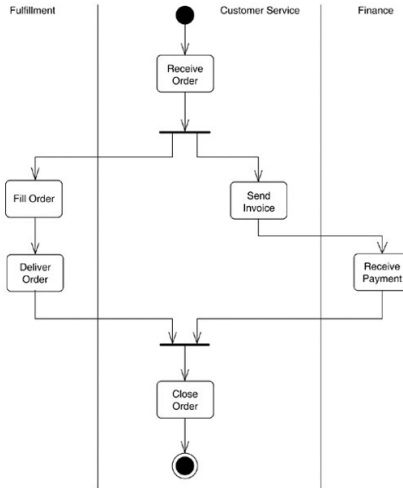


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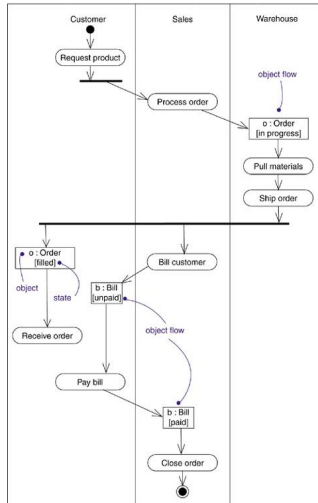


# Swimlanes / Partitions

- Swimlanes show **who** is performing an activity



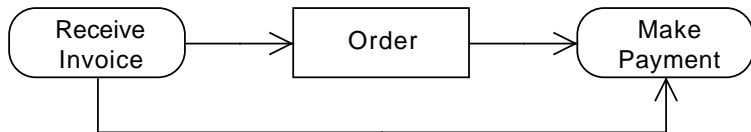
# Objectflow example





# Data flow and Control flow

- *Data flow and control flow are shown:*



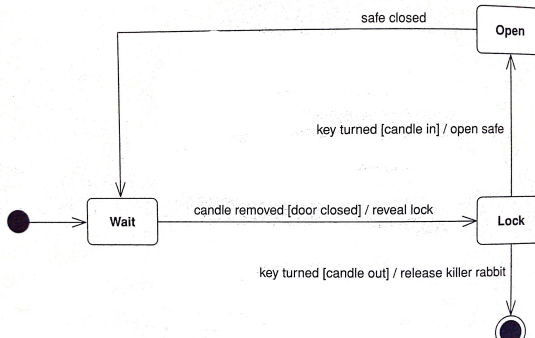
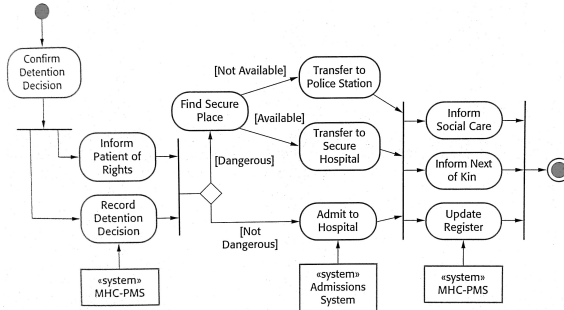
- Control flow can be omitted if implied by the data flow:



# Use of Activity Diagrams

- ▶ Emphasise on concurrent/parallel execution
- ▶ Requirements phase
  - ▶ To model business processes / workflows to be automated
- ▶ Design phase
  - ▶ Show the semantics of one operation
    - ▶ Close to a graphic programming language

# Activity Diagram vs State Machines



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- ▶ Don't forget the course evaluation

# Plan for next weeks

- ▶ Next week:
  - ▶ Guest lecture by Miracle Systems A/S about how the do software development
  - ▶ Exercises from 15:00 – 17:00 as usual
- ▶ Week 13: 13.5., 13:00 – 17:00: 10 min demonstrations of the software
  - 1 Show that all automatic tests run
  - 2 TA chooses one use case
    - 2.a Show the systematic tests for that use case
    - 2.b Execute the systematic test manually
- ▶ Schedule will be published this week
- ▶ In Next Week Exercises and Project Demonstrations
  - ▶ Visit of a film team
  - ▶ Just say no if you don't want to be filmed