

Building the Analysis Model 4

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Class-based Modeling

- Identify analysis classes by examining the problem statement
- Use a “grammatical parse” to isolate potential classes
- Identify the attributes of each class
- Identify operations that manipulate the attributes

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Analysis Classes

- **External entities** (printer, user, sensor)
- **Things** (report, display, signal)
- **Occurrences or events** (alarm, telephone call)
- **Roles** (manager, clerk)
- **Organization units** (Accounting Dept, R & D)
- **Places** (building, manufacturing floor)
- **Structures** (employee records)

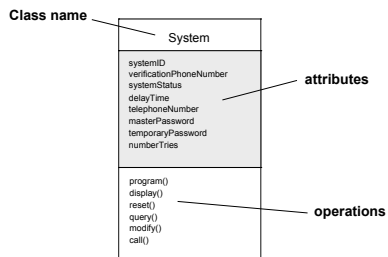
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Selecting Classes—Criteria

- retained information
- needed services
- multiple attributes
- common attributes
- common operations
- essential requirements

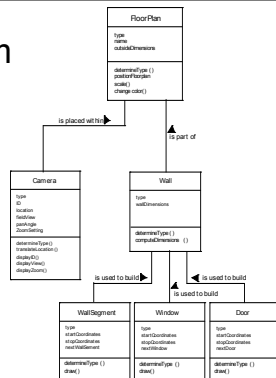
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CRC Modeling

- Analysis classes have “responsibilities”
 - **Responsibilities** are the attributes and operations encapsulated by the class
- Analysis classes collaborate with one another
 - **Collaborators** are those classes that are required to provide a class with the information needed to complete a responsibility.
 - In general, a collaboration implies either a request for information or a request for some action.

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CRC Modeling

ClassFloorPlan	
Description:	
Responsibility:	Collaborator:
defines floor plan name/type	
manages floor plan positioning	
scales floor plan for display	
scales floor plan for display	
incorporates walls, doors and windows	Wall
shows position of video cameras	Camera

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Class Types

- **Entity classes**, also called *model* or *business* classes, are extracted directly from the statement of the problem (e.g., FloorPlan and Sensor).
- **Boundary classes** are used to create the interface (e.g., interactive screen or printed reports) that the user sees and interacts with as the software is used.
- **Controller classes** manage a “unit of work” [UML03] from start to finish. That is, controller classes can be designed to manage
 - the creation or update of entity objects;
 - the instantiation of boundary objects as they obtain information from entity objects;
 - complex communication between sets of objects;
 - validation of data communicated between objects or between the user and the application.

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Responsibilities

- System intelligence should be distributed across classes to best address the needs of the problem
- Each responsibility should be stated as generally as possible
- Information and the behavior related to it should reside within the same class
- Information about one thing should be localized with a single class, not distributed across multiple classes
- Responsibilities should be shared among related classes, when appropriate

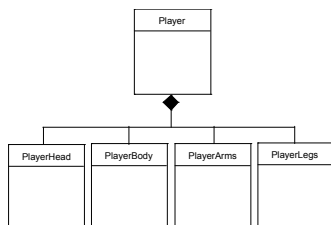
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Collaborations

- Classes fulfill their responsibilities in one of two ways:
 - A class can use its own operations to manipulate its own attributes, thereby fulfilling a particular responsibility, or
 - a class can collaborate with other classes.
- Collaborations identify relationships between classes
- Collaborations are identified by determining whether a class can fulfill each responsibility itself
- three different generic relationships between classes [WIR90]:
 - the *is-part-of* relationship
 - the *has-knowledge-of* relationship
 - the *depends-upon* relationship

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Composite Aggregate Class



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Reviews of CRC model

- All participants in the review (of the CRC model) are given a subset of the CRC model index cards.
 - Cards that collaborate should be separated (i.e., no reviewer should have two cards that collaborate).
- All use-case scenarios (and corresponding use-case diagrams) should be organized into categories.
- The review leader reads the use-case deliberately.
 - As the review leader comes to a named object, she passes a token to the person holding the corresponding class index card.
- When the token is passed, the holder of the class card is asked to describe the responsibilities noted on the card.
 - The group determines whether one (or more) of the responsibilities satisfies the use-case requirement.
- If the responsibilities and collaborations noted on the index cards cannot accommodate the use-case, modifications are made to the cards.
 - This may include the definition of new classes (and corresponding CRC index cards) or the specification of new or revised responsibilities or collaborations on existing cards.

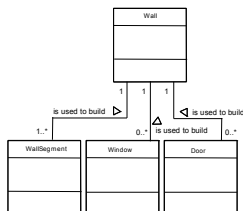
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Associations and Dependencies

- Two analysis classes are often related to one another in some fashion
 - In UML these relationships are called **associations**
 - Associations can be refined by indicating **multiplicity** (the term **cardinality** is used in data modeling)
- In many instances, a client-server relationship exists between two analysis classes.
 - In such cases, a client-class depends on the server-class in some way and a **dependency relationship** is established

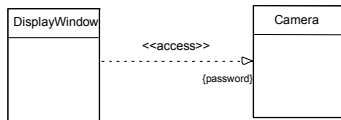
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Multiplicity



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Dependency



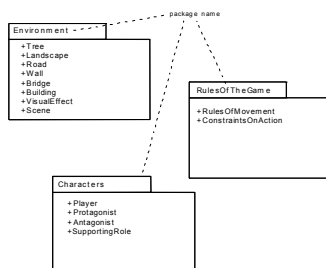
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Analysis Package

- Various elements of the analysis model (e.g., use-cases, analysis classes) are categorized in a manner that packages them as a grouping
- The plus sign preceding the analysis class name in each package indicates that the classes have public visibility and are therefore accessible from other packages.
- Other symbols can precede an element within a package. A minus sign indicates that an element is hidden from all other packages and a # symbol indicates that an element is accessible only to packages contained within a given package.

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Behavioral Modeling

- The behavioral model indicates how software will respond to external events or stimuli. To create the model, the analyst must perform the following steps:
 - Evaluate all use-cases to fully understand the sequence of interaction within the system.
 - Identify events that drive the interaction sequence and understand how these events relate to specific objects.
 - Create a sequence for each use-case.
 - Build a state diagram for the system.
 - Review the behavioral model to verify accuracy and consistency.

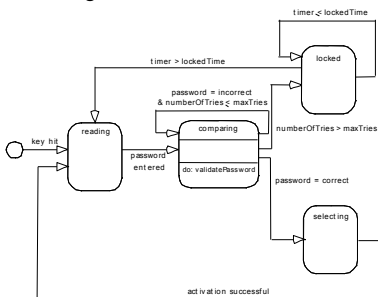
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State Representation

- In the context of behavioral modeling, two different characterizations of states must be considered:
 - the state of each class as the system performs its function and
 - the state of the system as observed from the outside as the system performs its function
- The state of a class takes on both passive and active characteristics [CHA93].
 - A **passive state** is simply the current status of all of an object's attributes.
 - The **active state** of an object indicates the current status of the object as it undergoes a continuing transformation or processing.

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State Diagram for the ControlPanel Class



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The State of a System

- **state**—a set of observable circumstances that characterizes the behavior of a system at a given time
- **state transition**—the movement from one state to another
- **event**—an occurrence that causes the system to exhibit some predictable form of behavior
- **action**—process that occurs as a consequence of making a transition

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Behavioral Modeling

- make a list of the different states of a system (How does the system behave?)
- indicate how the system makes a transition from one state to another (How does the system change state?)
 - indicate event
 - indicate action
- draw a **state diagram** or a **sequence diagram**

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Sequence Diagram

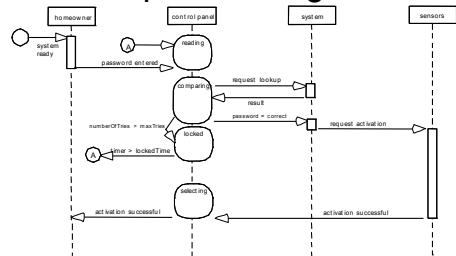
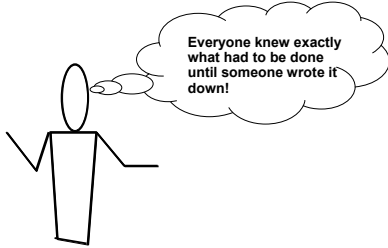


Figure 8.27 Sequence diagram (partial) for SafeHome security function
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Writing the Software Specification



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Specification Guideline

- use a layered format that provides increasing detail as the "layers" deepen
- use consistent graphical notation and apply textual terms consistently (stay away from aliases)
- be sure to define all acronyms
- be sure to include a table of contents; ideally, include an index and/or a glossary
- write in a simple, unambiguous style (see "editing suggestions" on the following pages)
- always put yourself in the reader's position, "Would I be able to understand this if I wasn't intimately familiar with the system?"

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Specification Guideline

- Be on the lookout for persuasive connectors, ask why?
keys: *certainly, therefore, clearly, obviously, it follows that ...*
- Watch out for vague terms
keys: *some, sometimes, often, usually, ordinarily, most, mostly ...*
- When lists are given, but not completed, be sure all items are understood
keys: *etc., and so forth, and so on, such as*
- Be sure stated ranges don't contain unstated assumptions
e.g., *Valid codes range from 10 to 100. Integer? Real? Hex?*
- Beware of vague verbs such as *handled, rejected, processed, ...*
- Beware "passive voice" statements
e.g., *The parameters are initialized. By what?*
- Beware "dangling" pronouns
e.g., *The I/O module communicated with the data validation module and its control flag is set. Whose control flag?*

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Specification Guideline

When a term is explicitly defined in one place, try substituting the definition for other occurrences of the term

When a structure is described in words, draw a picture

When a structure is described with a picture, try to redraw the picture to emphasize different elements of the structure

When symbolic equations are used, try expressing their meaning in words

When a calculation is specified, work at least two examples

Look for statements that imply certainty, then ask for proof keys: always, every, all, none, never

Search behind certainty statements—be sure restrictions or limitations are realistic

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