

Component-Level Design

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What is a Component?

- “A modular, deployable, and replaceable part of a system that encapsulates implementation and exposes a set of interfaces.”

OMG Unified Modeling Language Specification

Three views of components

- Object-Oriented view: a set of collaborating classes
- Conventional view: a functional element of a program
- Process-Related view: reusable unit

Basic Design Principles

- **The Open-Closed Principle (OCP):** open for extension but closed for modification
- **The Liskov Substitution Principle (LSP):** subclasses should be substitutable for their base classes
- **Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP):** Depend of abstractions. Do not depend on concretions
- **The Interface Segregation Principle (ISP):** Many client-specific interfaces are better than one general purpose interface

Packaging Principles

- **The Release Reuse Equivalent Principle (REP):** The granule of reuse is the granule of release
- **The Common Closure Principle (CCP):** Classes that change together belong together
- **The Common Reuse Principle (CRP):** Classes that aren't reused together should not be grouped together

Component-Level Design Guidelines

- Components
- Interfaces
- Dependencies and inheritance

Cohesion

- Functional
- Layer
- Communicational
- Sequential
- Procedural
- Temporal
- Utility

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Coupling

- Content
- Common
- Control
- Stamp
- Data
- Routine call
- Type use
- Inclusion or import
- External

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Component-Level Design 1

1. Identify the application domain classes
2. Identify the infrastructure domain classes
3. Refine the design classes
 - a. Specify the details of the collaborations
 - b. Specify the interfaces of each component
 - c. Refine the attributes, data types, and data structures
 - d. Describe processing flow

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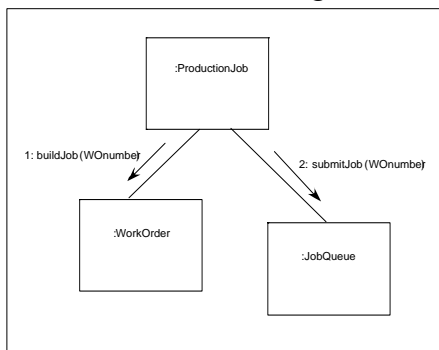
Component-Level Design 2

- Specify persistent data sources and related classes
- Refine the behavioral of a class or component
- Add the implementation detail
- Refactor

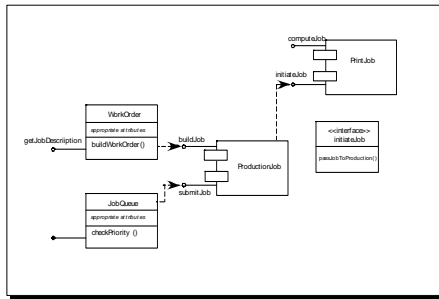
Component Level Design-I

- Step 1. Identify all design classes that correspond to the problem domain.
- Step 2. Identify all design classes that correspond to the infrastructure domain.
- Step 3. Elaborate all design classes that are not acquired as reusable components.
- Step 3a. Specify message details when classes or component collaborate.
- Step 3b. Identify appropriate interfaces for each component.

Collaboration Diagram



Refactoring

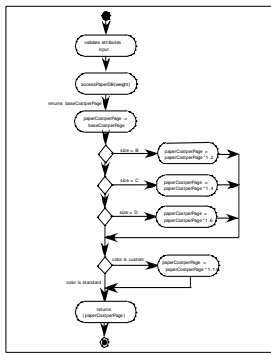


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Activity Diagram

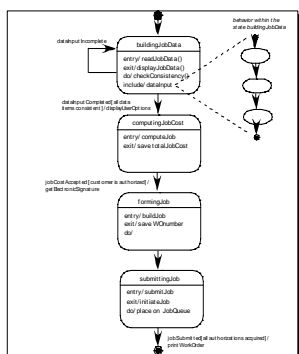


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Statechart



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Object Constraint Language (OCL)

- A formal specification language extension to UML
- A precise text language that provides constraint and object query expressions on an object-oriented model

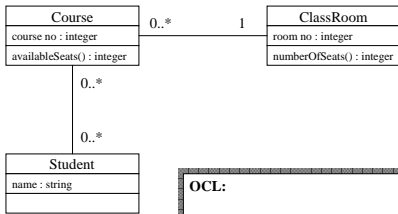
OCL language statements

1. Context
2. Property
3. Operation
4. Keywords

4 Types of constraints

- Invariant
- Pre-condition
- Post-condition
- Guard

OCL Example

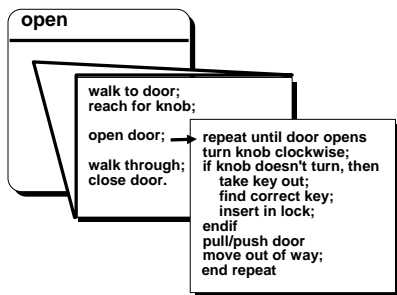


OCL:
context Course
inv: students->size() <= classRoom.numberOfSeats

Algorithm Design

- The closest design activity to coding
- The approach
 - review the design description for the component
 - use stepwise refinement to develop algorithm
 - use structured programming to implement procedural logic
 - use ‘formal methods’ to prove logic

Stepwise Refinement



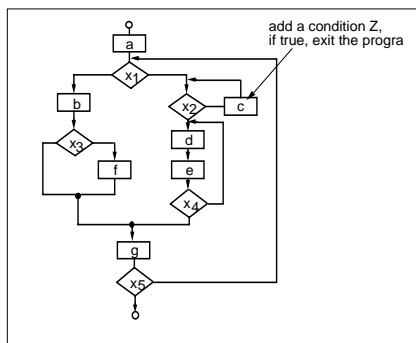
Algorithm Design Model

- represents the algorithm at a level of detail that can be reviewed for quality
- options:
 - graphical (e.g. flowchart, box diagram)
 - pseudocode (e.g., PDL) ... choice of many
 - programming language
 - decision table
 - conduct walkthrough to assess quality

Structured Programming for Procedural Design

- Structured Programming constraints logic flow to
 - Sequence
 - Condition
 - Repetition
- leads to more readable, testable code
- can be used in conjunction with 'proof of correctness'
- important for achieving high quality, but not enough

A Structured Procedural Design



Decision Table

Conditions	Rules					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
regular customer	T	T				
silver customer			T	T		
gold customer					T	T
special discount	F	T	F	T	F	T
Rules						
no discount		✓				
apply 8 percent discount			✓	✓		
apply 15 percent discount					✓	✓
apply additional x percent discount	✓		✓		✓	

Program Design Language (PDL)



if-then-else

```
if condition x
  then process a;
  else process b;
endif
```

PDL

- easy to combine with source code
- machine readable, no need for graphics input
- graphics can be generated from PDL
- enables declaration of data as well as process
- easier to maintain

Why Design Language

- can be a derivative of the HOL of choice e.g., Ada PDL
- machine readable and processable
- can be embedded with source code, therefore easier to maintain
- can be represented in great detail, if designer and coder are different
- easy to review
