

UML for Global Computing

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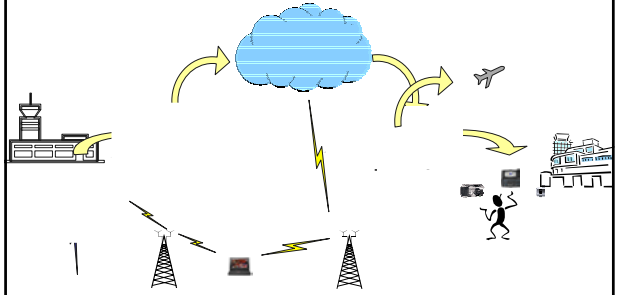
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Global Computing



„massive networked infrastructure composed of highly diversified interconnected objects“

EU Initiative „Global Computing“



Systems which support
dynamic configuration
complex topologies
autonomous and mobile objects

Mobile Computing (Mobile Hardware)
Mobile Computation (Mobile Code)

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Current ...



- Software Engineering Standards (UML)
 - support only particular features of GC such as concurrency and real time
- Programming Languages (C++, Java, ML, Haskell, ...)
 - support only particular features of GC such as concurrency and distribution
- Middleware (CORBA, Jini, COM, SOAP, .Net, ...)
 - improves on client server model but
 - are based on simple topology assumptions (e.g. TCP)
 - support only particular aspects of GC
 - have no (good) support for validation&verification

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Global Computing needs ...



- New support for software development
 - New features for modeling languages
 - Adequate development processes
 - New features for programming languages and middleware
- and
- Coupling of pragmatic and formal techniques for analysis, validation, verification of GC systems



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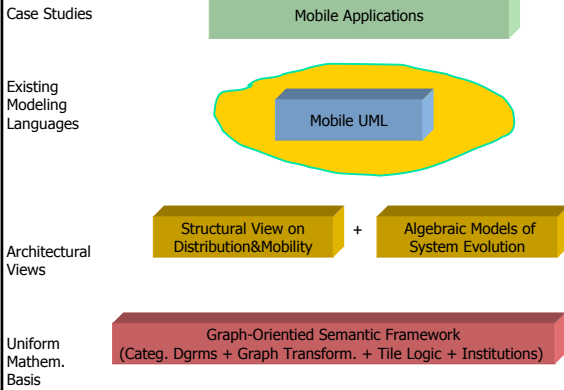
The AGILE Project



- **Goal:**
Architectural approach to mobile systems development over a uniform mathematical framework supporting
 - sound methodological principles,
 - formal analysis, and
 - refinement across levels of development
- 2002-2005, sponsored by EC Initiative on "Global Computing"
- **Partner:**
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Agile Approach



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Unified Modeling Language



- Graphical modelling language for OO systems
- Means of communication
 - between developers
 - developers and users (?)
- "Unification" of several predecessor methods
- First standardization attempt Sep. 1997 by OMG
- Current version 2.0 (Notation of Lecture 1.5)
- Developed by Booch, Rumbaugh (OMT), Jacobson (OOSE)...
- Consist of:
 - A number of modelling concepts
 - A concrete notation
- Supports "Unified Process" development method

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Goals of the UML



- Description of essential program characteristics like a construction plan
- Structuring the problem as well as the solution
- Abstracting from implementation details
- Definition of different views

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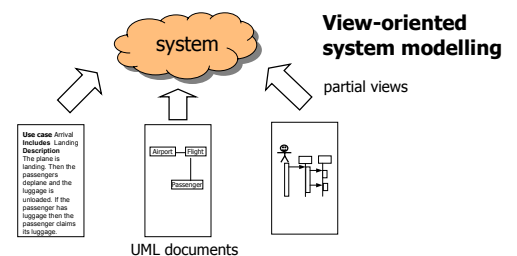
UML Description Techniques



- **Structure:**
 - Class diagram
- **Interaction, Behaviour:**
 - Object diagram
 - Sequence diagram
 - Collaboration
 - Statechart
- **Requirements, Functionality:**
 - Use Case Diagram
 - Activity Diagram
- **Implementation:**
 - Component Diagram
 - Deployment Diagram
 - Object Constraint Language (OCL)

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(UML) Software Engineering Principles



A system is described by several documents from several viewpoints

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(UML) SE Principles (cont'd)



- Principle of underspecification
- Data encapsulation and separation of interfaces and implementations
- Incremental development by refinement steps
- Hierarchical composition and decomposition

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Use Case Driven Design



■ Use Case

an interaction between user and system which serves to fulfill a task
where

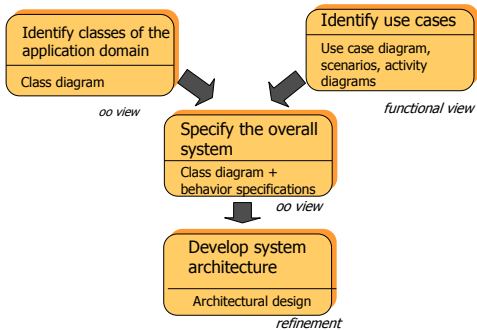
"system" = software to be developed

"user" = person or external system called "actor"

- Use cases serve as **functional requirement description** and provide test cases

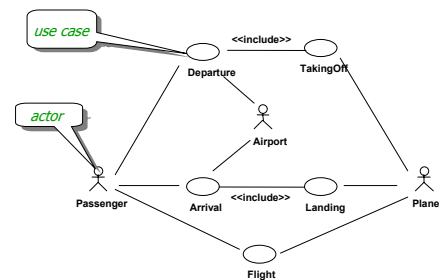
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Major Development Steps



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Use Case Diagram: Example Airport



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Use Case Description: Example



Use case Arrival

Includes Landing

Actors plane, passenger

Description The plane is landing. Then the passengers deplane and the luggage is unloaded. If the passenger has luggage then the passenger claims its luggage.

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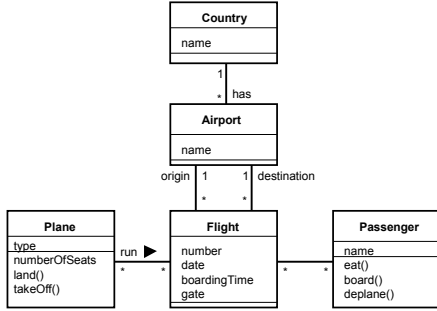
Class Diagram



- A **class diagram** defines the static structure of the system consisting of **classes and interfaces** connected by static relationships such as **association, aggregation and inheritance**

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Example: Class Diagram for Airport



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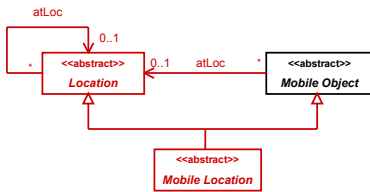
Classes for Mobile Objects



- Goal of the extension
 - Explicit notations for mobile objects and locations
- Extensions
 - UML profile for mobility with stereotypes for locations, mobile objects, and mobile locations

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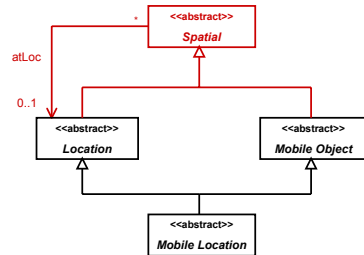
Abstract Classes for Mobility: 1st Approach



Problem: *Mobile Location* inherits „atLoc“ twice:
from *Location* and from *Mobile Object*

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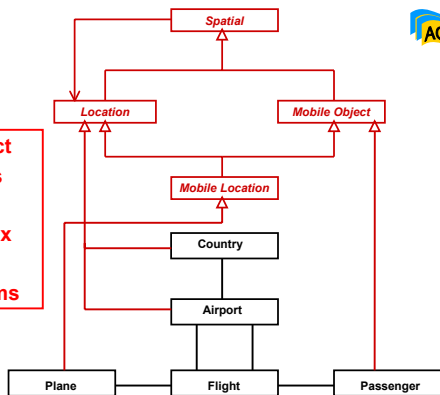
Abstract Classes for Mobility: 2nd Approach



Improvement: Due to the introduction of the abstract class „Spatial“, *Mobile Location* inherits „atLoc“ only once, but ...

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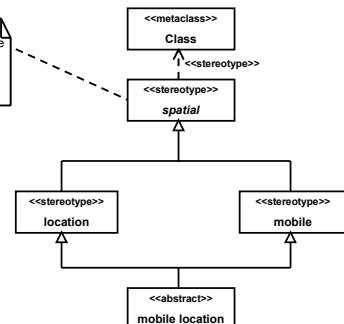
Abstract classes lead to complex class diagrams



Solution: UML Profile for Locations

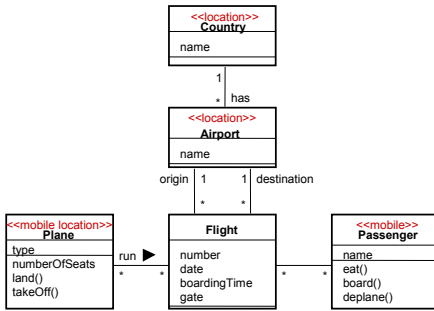


Each instance has at most one attribute atLoc; atLoc has no cycles



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Example: Class Diagram for Airport



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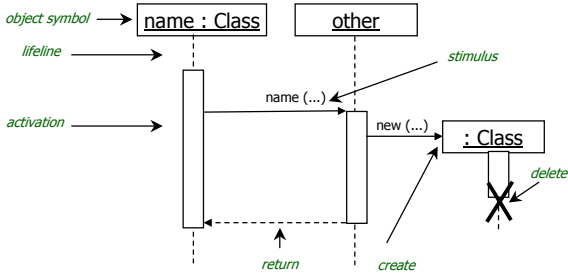
Sequence Diagram



- A sequence diagram describes a **scenario**, i.e. an exemplary message flow where
 - primary scenario: the typical case
 - secondary scenario: variant, exceptional case
- Scenarios can describe **different levels of abstraction** e.g. for use case, components, operations
- Other description technique for scenarios: collaboration diagrams

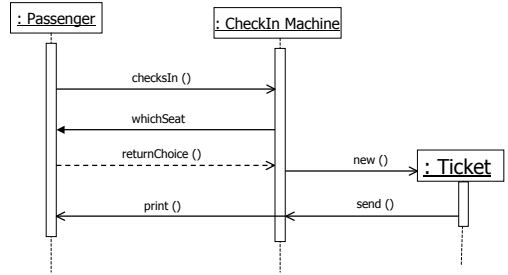
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Sequence Diagram



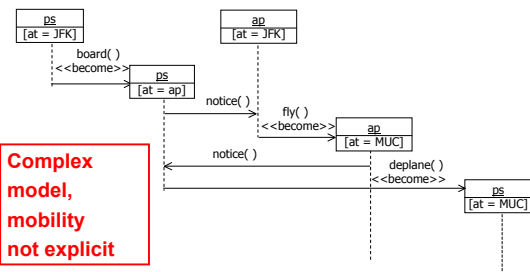
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Example: Check In



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Mobile runs with SD: A first approach



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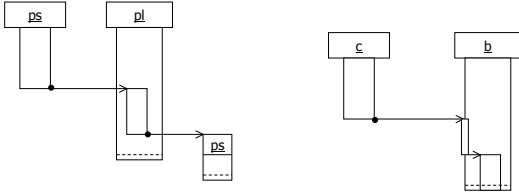
Sequence Diagrams for Mobility



- SDM are an extension of SD for modelling
 - the interaction between objects
 - topology - the containment relation
 - the migration of objects
- **Idea**
 - blow up lifelines and message arrows for modelling topology
 - generalize the concept of lifeline to contain object flow for modelling mobility

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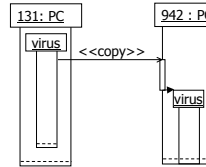
Migration of an Object



A person ps migrates into the plane pl and leaves it .

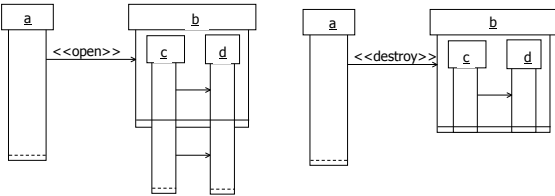
c migrates through a firewall into b and terminates at the same time as b.

Copying Objects



The mobile Object virus in PC 131 is copied; the copy lives in PC 942

Opening and Destroying an Object



An „open“ message terminates b: the inner objects c and d continue to life

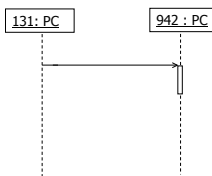
A „destroy“ message terminates b, c und d.

Advanced Features



- Zoom-in/zoom-out view
- Matching action boxes
- Lifeline of a migrating object

Zoom-Out View



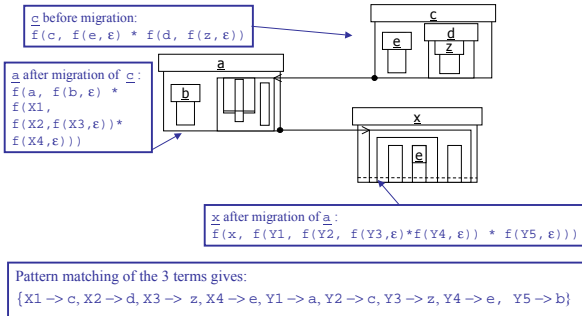
Using Zoom-Out one may hide details of inner objects; only the communication with outer objects remains visible.

Pattern Matching [cf. Maude]



- Representation of mobile objects and object configurations by terms
 - Object constructor: $f : \text{Names} \times \text{Objects} \rightarrow \text{Objects}$
 - Configuration constructor $* : \text{Objects} \times \text{Objects} \rightarrow \text{Objects}$
 - Empty configuration $\varepsilon : \quad \quad \quad \rightarrow \text{Objects}$
 - Variables $X : \text{Names}$
- Unification modulo commutativity and associativity for computing the names of migrated objects

Pattern Matching Beispiel



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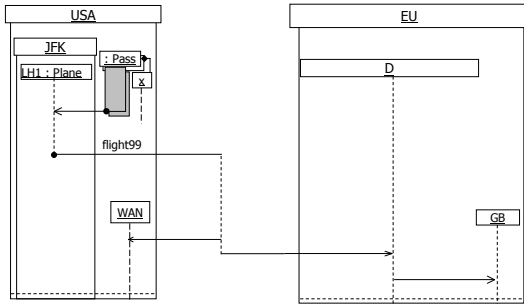
The Traveling Reporter Example



The traveling reporter flies from New York to Munich

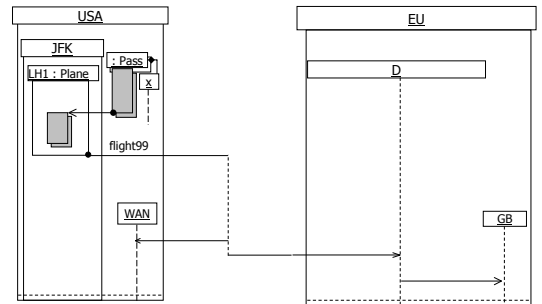
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Flight from New York to Munich



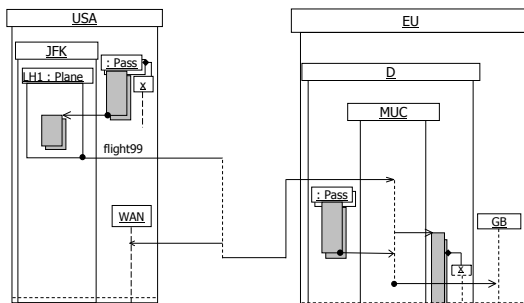
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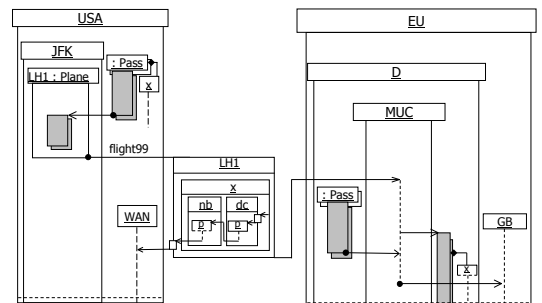
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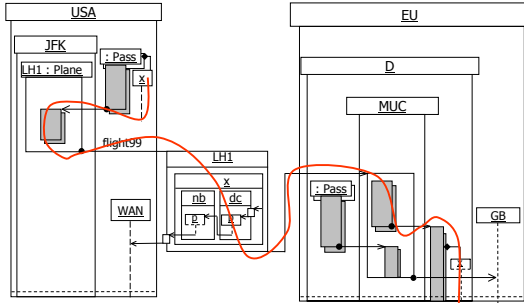
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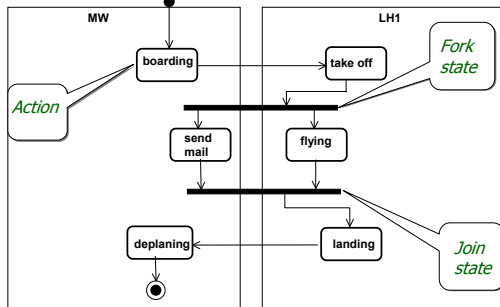
Activity Diagrams



- Activity diagrams are intended for applications that need control flow or object/data flow models
- An activity graph describes a flow of actions which are connected by transitions
- Concurrency is expressed by fork and join states
- Swimlanes represent responsibilities of parts of the activity diagram

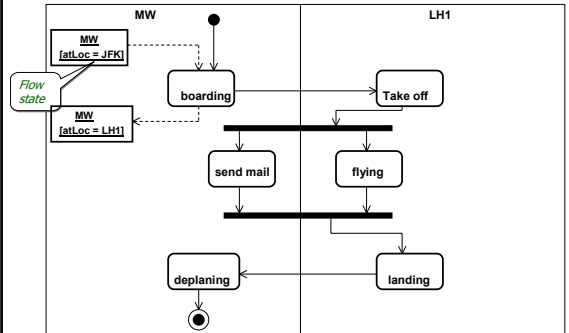
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Activity Diagram Example: Arrival



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Activity Diagram with Flow States



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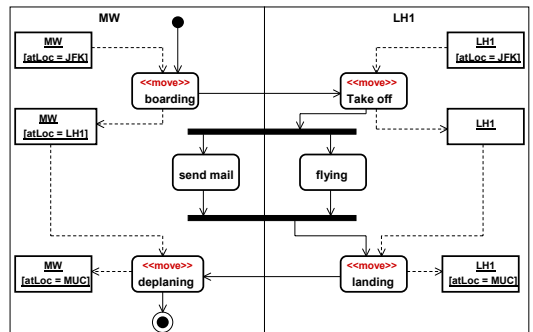
Activity diagrams for Mobility



- Goal of the extension
 - To model how actions change the location of mobile objects
- Extensions
 - Stereotypes <<move>> / <<clone>> for actions
 - Two Notations
 - Responsibility Centred
 - Location Centred

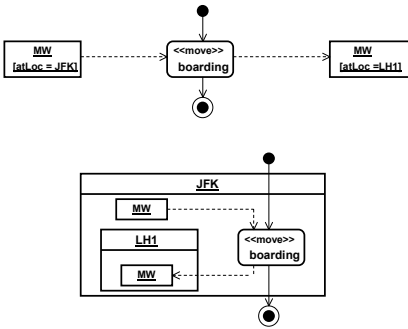
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Responsibility Centered View



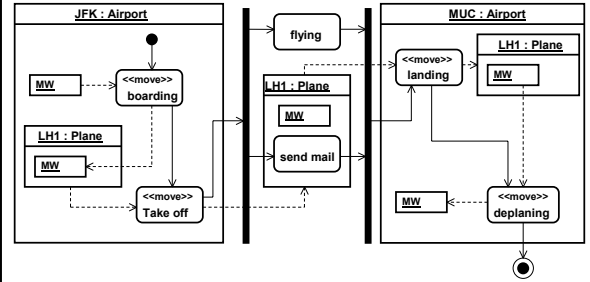
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Move Actions



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Modeling the Flight



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Summary and Current Work



- Summary
 - First approach for explicit modeling of mobility in UML
 - Simple solution
 - Used already in industry and for teaching (DEGAS-Project, SWE-Praktikum)
- Current Work
 - Semantic Foundation (Translation to GTS and Tiles with Corradini/Montanari, Coordinated Categories with Fiadeiro, Mobile TLA with Merz)

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