BON

Dynamic Model

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Purpose of Dynamic Model

- Analysis and design should **not focus** on implementation
 - » Static relationships & contracts do not change, minimize implementation dependence
- Reasonable to want to ensure implementation is possible
 - » For other considerations see ...
 - Swartout, W., Balzer, R., On the Inevitable Intertwining of Specification and Implementation, Communications of the ACM, July 1982, Vol 25, No 7, pp. 438-440
- Need a specification of how the classes can fulfill their specifications by calling routines of other classes

Dynamic Model

- What makes up a dynamic model in BON?
 - » Feature calls object communication
 - » Also known as message passing or object communication
- Using feature calls in a dynamic model supports seamlessness
 - » Feature calls map directly to a programming language
- Some design methods use finite state machines to specify what an object does in reaction to a message
 - » Difficult to translate, in all but simple machines, into programs – lack of seamlessness

Object Representation

How do we describe objects in BON?

Use rectangles containing their class name with an optional qualifier (e.g. a name)



Communication Between Objects

- Pass or send a message, call a feature, invoke an operation are all synonymous
- A message is indicated by a dashed arrow from the calling to the receiving object



Scenario with Object Communication

- Message links may be annotated with sequence numbers representing order of calls.
 - » Cross reference to entries in a scenario box



Communication Properties

- Message are always potential
 - » They do not have to occur Flat battery
- Group as for clusters

Bidirectional Communication

 A set of message relations in each direction between two objects



Send / Receive to Many Objects

- » Broadcast
 Label close to sender means send to all receivers
- Send to one instance only
 Label close to receiver means receive from all senders



Joining Concurrent Messages

• Here the pilot receives messages from the cabin crew and the control tower





Family Communications

Messages 1 and 2 go to both receivers
 Messages 3 and 4 come from both senders



Scenario: Farewell at train station

- **1** Father gives children an extra \$50 each
- 2 Mother gives children boxed lunches
- **3** Parents tell son never to ski out of bounds
- 4 Parents tell daughter what men are really after