Statecharts



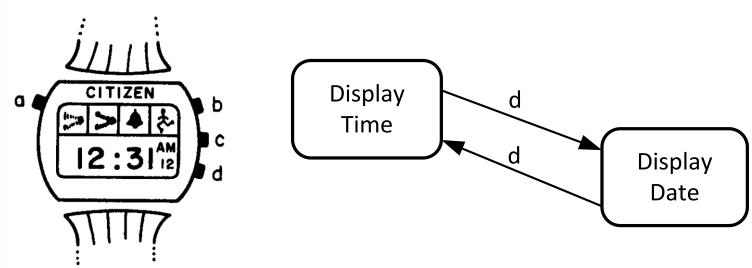
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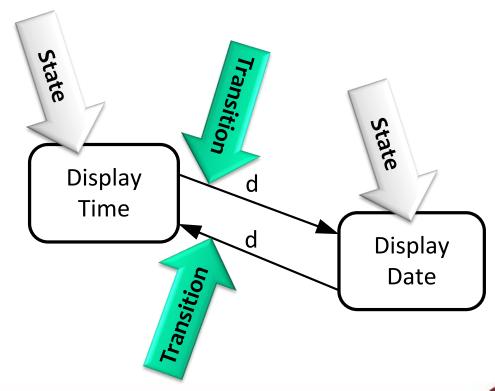
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State

- A configuration of the system (or entity)
- Each possible assignment of values to attributes is a "state"
- A recognizable situation

Display Time Display Date

Display Stopwatch Display Alarm



States

- Exists over an interval of time
- Represents an interval between successive events
- Can be a Macro state or a Micro state
- A Macro State is defined by another FSM containing Macro and Micro states
- A Micro state is a primitive state not defined any Further



State examples

- Room
 - Available
 - In use
 - Under renovation
- Student
 - Approved
 - Not approved
- Printer
 - Printing
 - Idle
 - Waiting for paper

- Traffic Light
 - Off
 - Green
 - Yellow
 - Red
- Telephone
 - Idle
 - Busy
 - Dial tone
 - Ringing
 - Connected

Transition

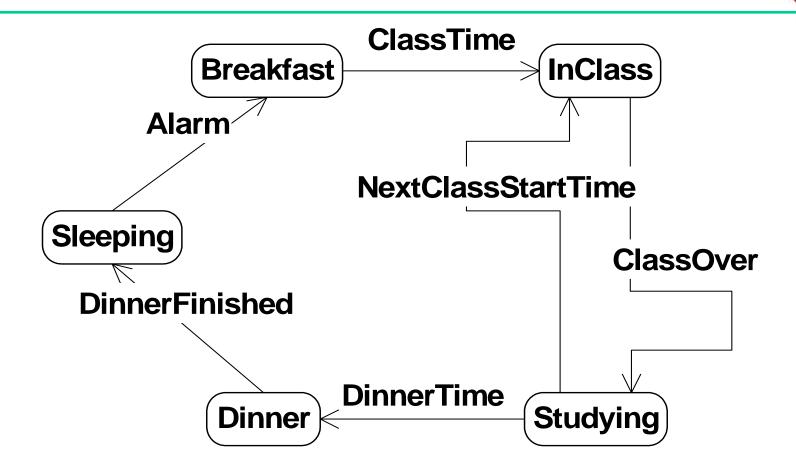
- Move from a state to another
- □ Event + Condition + Action
- Event
 - Something that happens
 - External or internal stimuli
 - May trigger a transition
- Condition
 - Something that must be true, or else the transition will not be performed
 - Also known as "guard"
- □ when event *a* occurs in state A, if condition C is true at the time, the system transfers to state B

Events

- □ Event—A discrete signal that happens at a point in time
 - -Also known as a stimulus
 - -Has no duration
- Two events
 - -May logically depend on each other
 - -E.g, ATM Card inserted before Pin # entered
- Two events
 - –May be independent of each other (they can occur independently)
 - -E.g., Cancel



Student





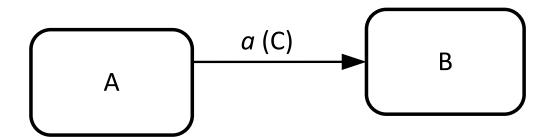
Events and Conditions

- □ State transition label
 - Event [Condition]
- Condition is a Boolean function
 - Conditions are optional on statecharts
 - Condition is true for finite period of time
- □ When event occurs, condition must be *true* for state transition to occur.

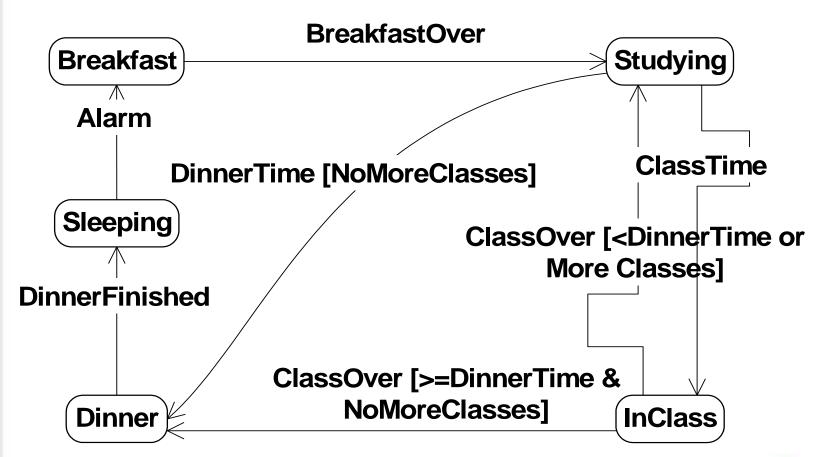


Transition

- Move from a state to another
- ☐ Event + Condition

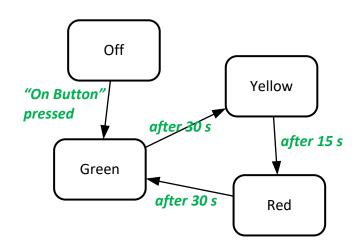


Student Example 2



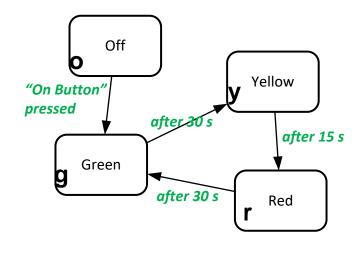


Transition example



Traffic Light

Tracing



Traffic Light

- 1. ogyr
- 2. o y g r
 3. g y r
- 4. ogyrgyr
- 5. ogyrgyrgyr

$$o(gyr)+$$

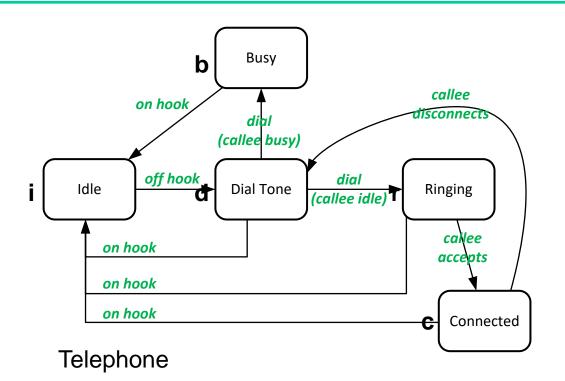


Telephone example

http://youtu.be/PuYPOC-gCGA?t=4m12s



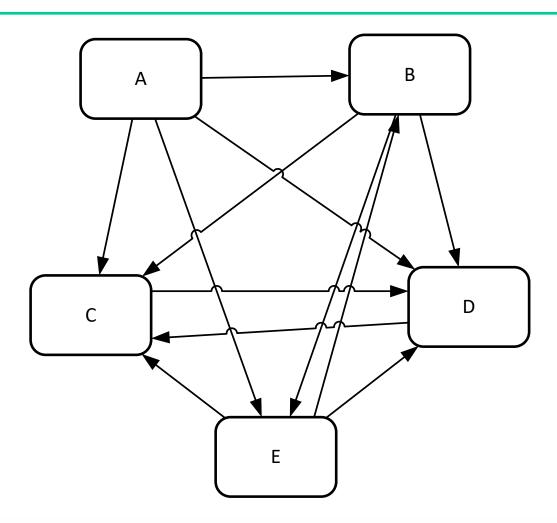
Tracing



- 1. idrci
- 2. idi
- 3. idrd
- 4. idbi
- 5. idbidbi
- 6. idbidbidbi
- 7. i (d b i)*



Neat, but...





Statecharts to the rescue

- Proposed by David Harel, in 1987 (Statecharts: A visual formalism for complex systems)
- State diagrams with additional mechanisms to:
 - handle complexity
 - improve expresiveness



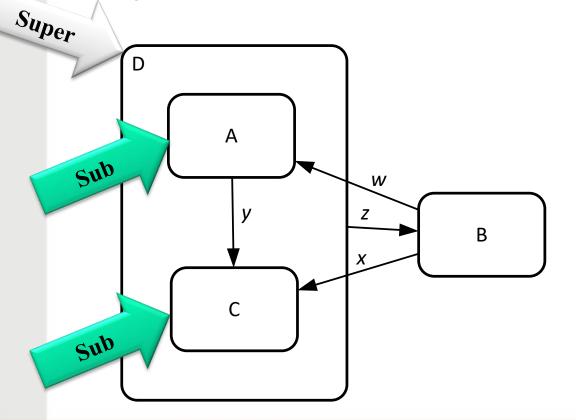
Currently...

- □ Part of UML
- Tool support
 - Modeling, simulation and code generation
- Formalization
 - Reasoning



Hierarchy

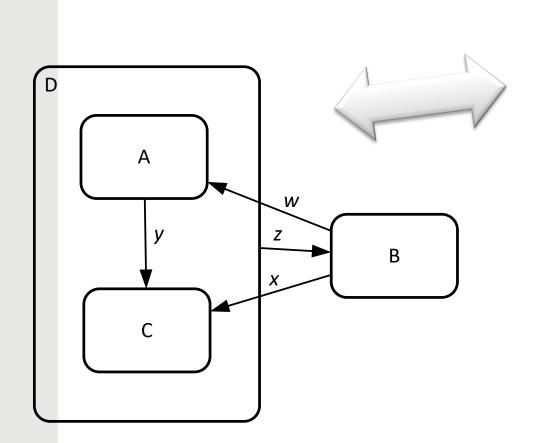
- Super and sub states
- XOR-states

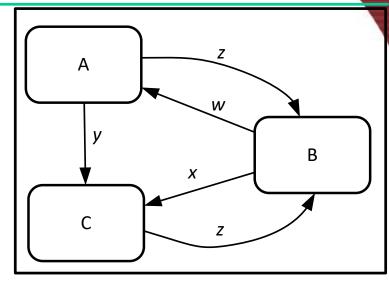


- 1. BAB
- 2. B C B
- 3. BACB
- 4. BCAB
- 5. BABABAB
- 6. BABCBAB
- 7. B C C B
- 8. BAAB

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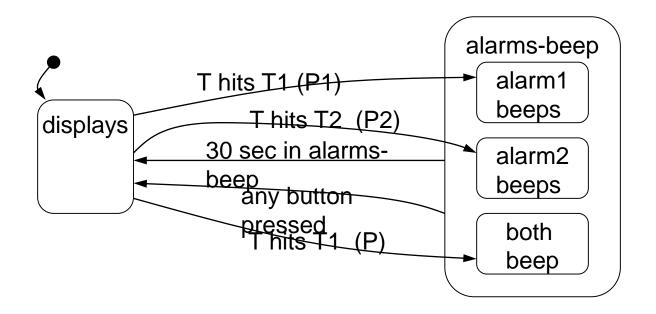
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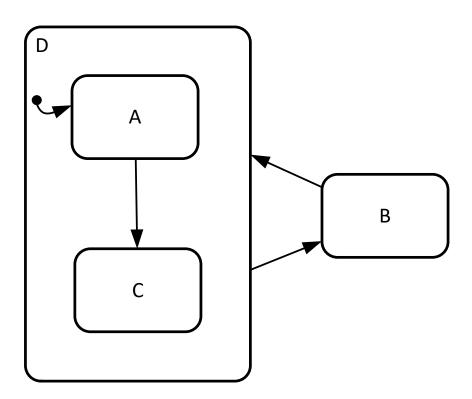
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Default state







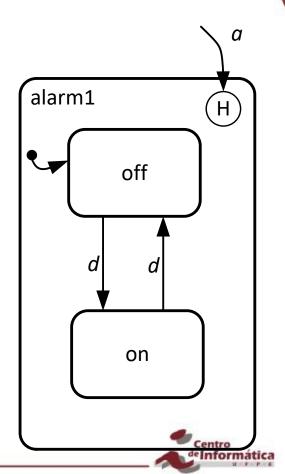
History

 Enter the last active sub-state on that state

Example:

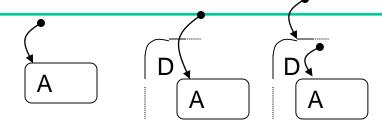
 When displaying an alarm, it will be either on or off, according to whether it was on or off before

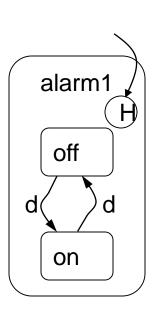


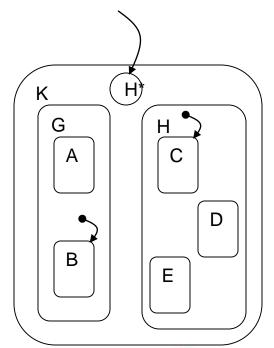


Default and History States

- Default states
 - Equivalent to start states for FSM
- History
 - (H) Record of the last state at the current level
 - (H*) Deep history stores last state at all levels current and below



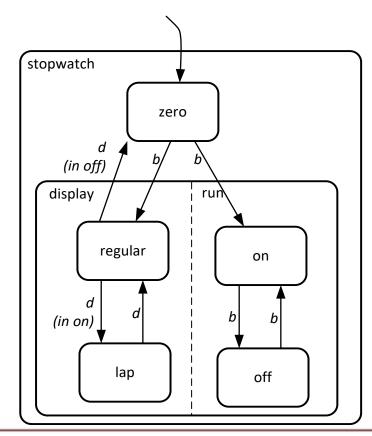






Orthogonality

- Independence and concurrency
- AND-states





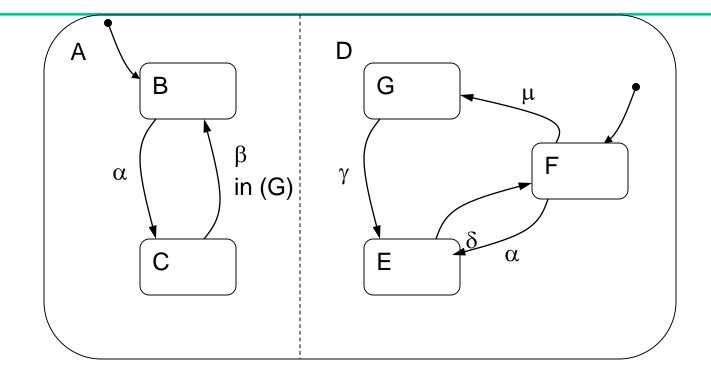
Orthogonality

- AND combination of states
- Concurrency and synchronization
 - Simultaneous transitions in component states
- Independence
 - Independent transition in one of the component state
- Orthogonality = concurrency + independence
- Communication among states by common events

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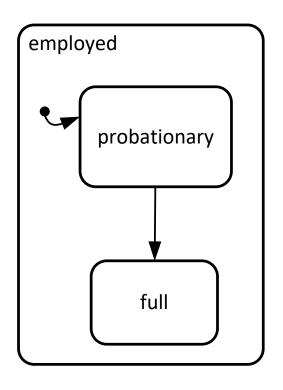
Orthogonality

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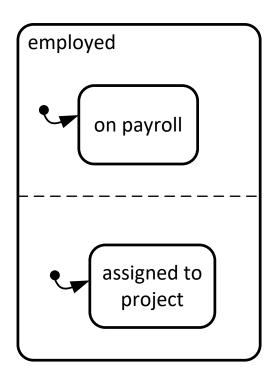




Comparing hierarchy and orthogonality



probationary XOR full

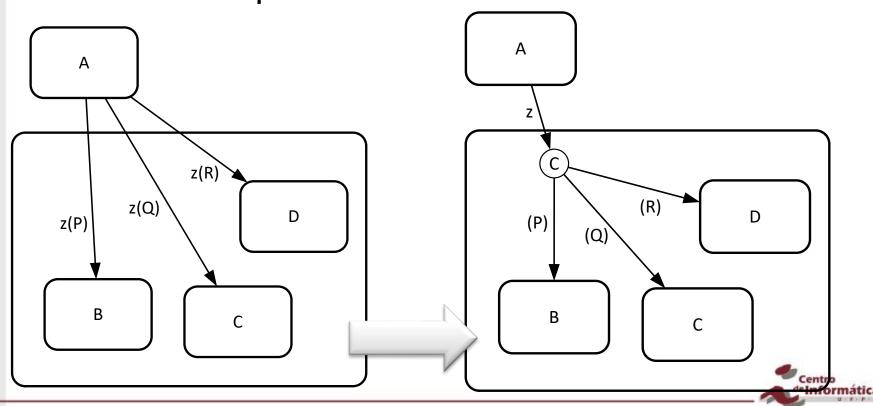


on payroll AND assigned to project



Conditional entrance

 Groups a set of transitions with a single event and multiple conditions

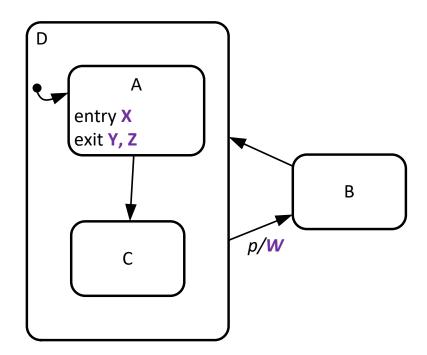


Actions

- ☐ Can be defined as state transition label
 - -Event / action(s)
 - -Event [condition] / action(s)
- Actions
 - -Executed as a result of state transition
 - -Executes instantaneously at state transition
 - -Terminates itself
- Entry Actions
 - Defined for a given state and executes on entry to this state from any state
- Exit Actions
 - Defined for a given state and executes on exit from this state to any state



Actions





Activities

- Activity
 - -Executes for duration of state
 - •Enable Activity on entry to state
 - Disable Activity on exit from state
- Examples of activities
 - -Increase Speed
 - •Executes for duration of Accelerating state
 - -Maintain Speed
 - •Executes for duration of Cruising state



Example: StateChart with Activities, Auto Cruise Controller

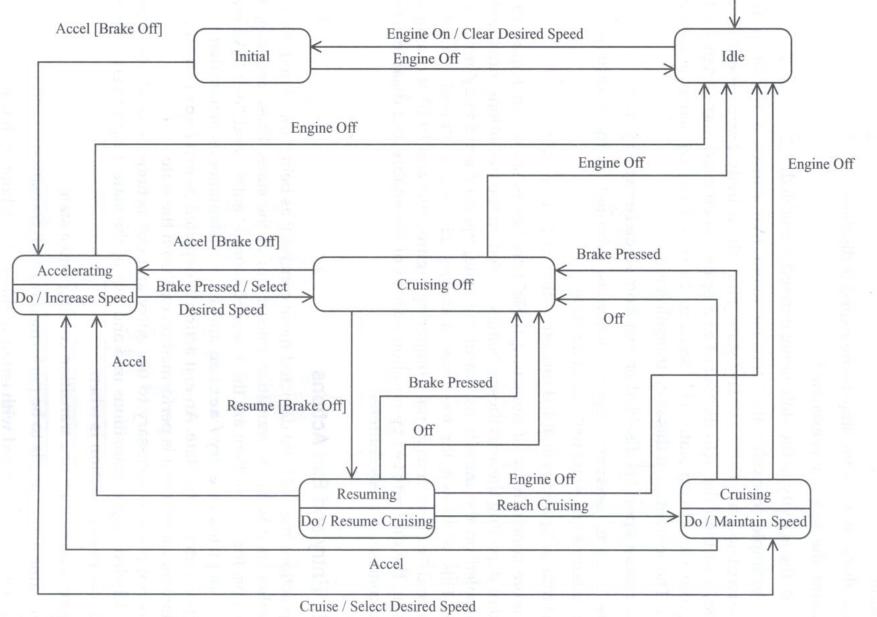


Figure 10.10 Cruise Control statechart with activities

Notation

indication of state default state actions History event (condition) / Conditional action entrance super-state state orthogonal orthogonal state 2 state 1 sub-state

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Examples



Finite State Machine: ATM_Controller

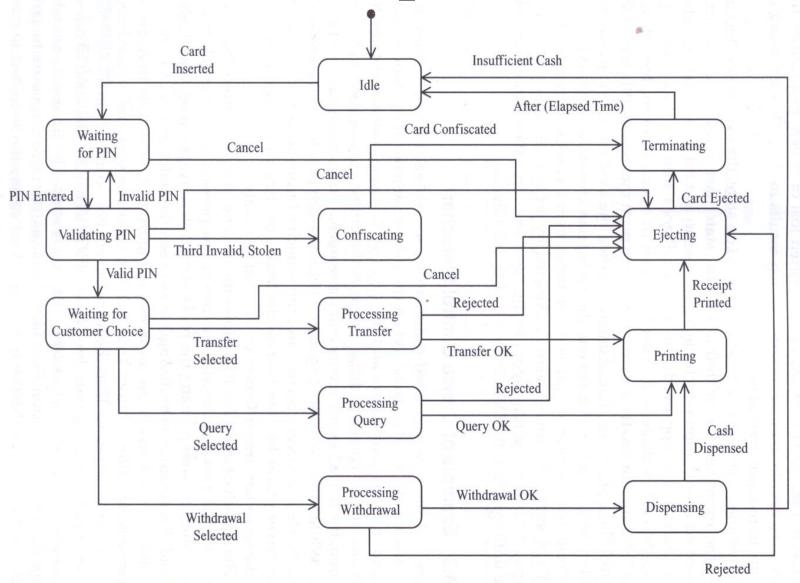


Figure 10.2 Example of flat ATM statechart

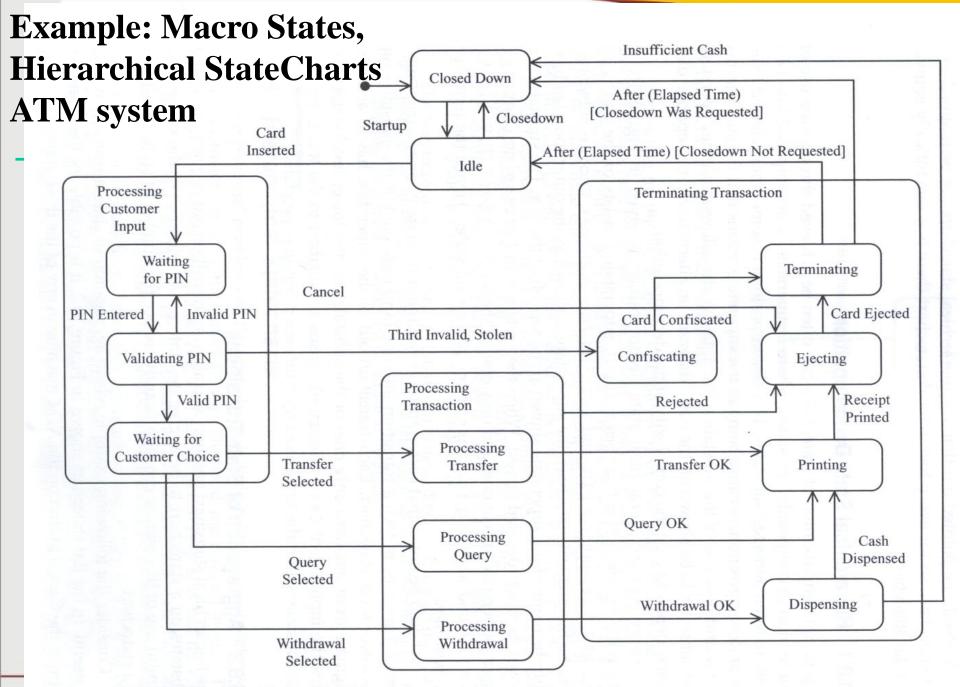
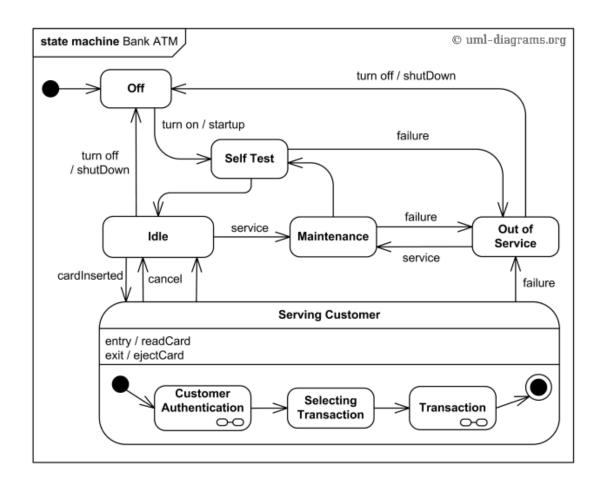


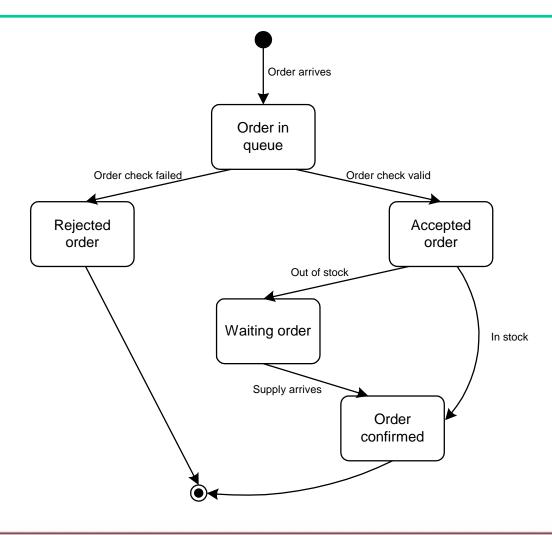
Figure 10.14 Example of hierarchical statechart

Finite State Machine – FSM: BANK ATM

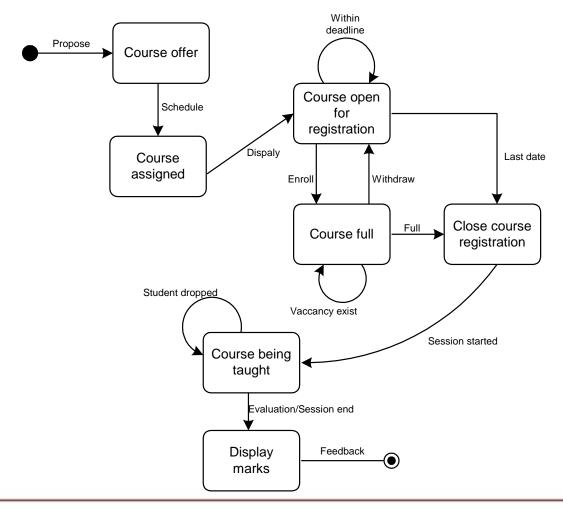




Order processing

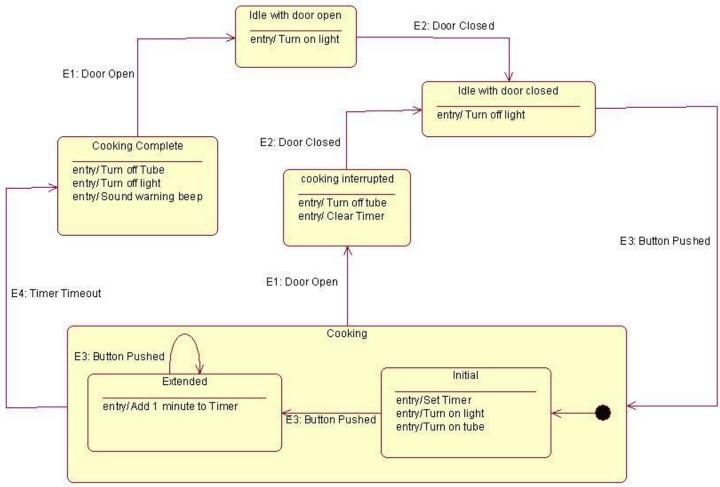


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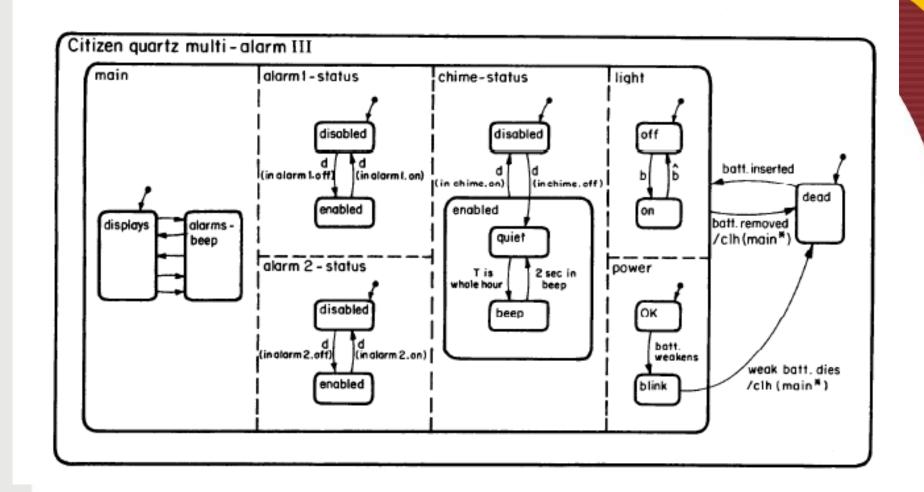




Microwave









Practice



Practice

Design the statechart for a traffic light with a button for pedestrians



A pedestrian can press a button to indicate, she/he wants to cross the street. Then a blinking light indicates, that the traffic light has recognized the request. After a few seconds, the traffic light for the street turns to red and the pedestrian traffic light turns to green. Then the pedestrian traffic light turns to red and the street traffic light changes to green again



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