Object-Oriented Systems
Development:
Using the Unified Modeling
Language

Chapter 1:

An Overview of Object-Oriented Systems Development



- The object-oriented philosophy and why we need to study it.
- The unified approach.

Introduction

- Object-Oriented (OO) systems development is a way to develop software by building self-contained modules that can be more easily:
- Replaced
- Modified
- and Reused.

What is a Software development methodology?

• Practices, procedures, and rules used to develop software.



Systems Development Methodologies

- Systems development methodology is a way to develop system.
- A comprehensive system development methodology utilizes sets of tools as well as the style in which they are to be used.

Traditional Systems Development Methodology

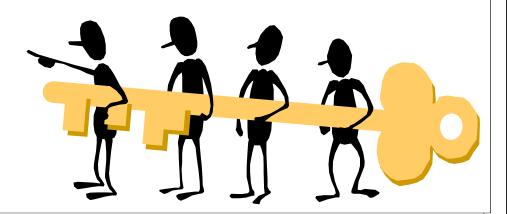
- Traditional or Structured approach is based on the idea that a system can be thought of as a collection of modules or subsystems.
- It is much easier to work with a smaller cohesive module than a complex system.

Object-Oriented Systems Development Methodology

- In an O-O environment, software is a collection of discrete objects.
- These objects encapsulate their data and functionalities to model real world "objects."

Object-Oriented Systems Development Methodology (Con't)

 An object-oriented life cycle encourages a view of the world as a system of cooperative and collaborating agents.



Benefits of Object Orientation

- Faster development,
- Reusability,
- Increased quality,
- and easier maintenance.

OO Benefits (Con't)

- Object technology emphasizes modeling the real world and provides us with the stronger equivalence of the real world's entities (objects) than other methodologies.
- Raising the level of abstraction to the point where application can be implemented in the same terms as they are described.

Unified Approach

- The *unified approach* (UA) is a methodology for software development that is used in this book.
- The UA, based on methodologies by Booch, Rumbaugh, Jacobson, and others, tries to combine the best practices, processes, and guidelines.

Unified Approach (Con't)

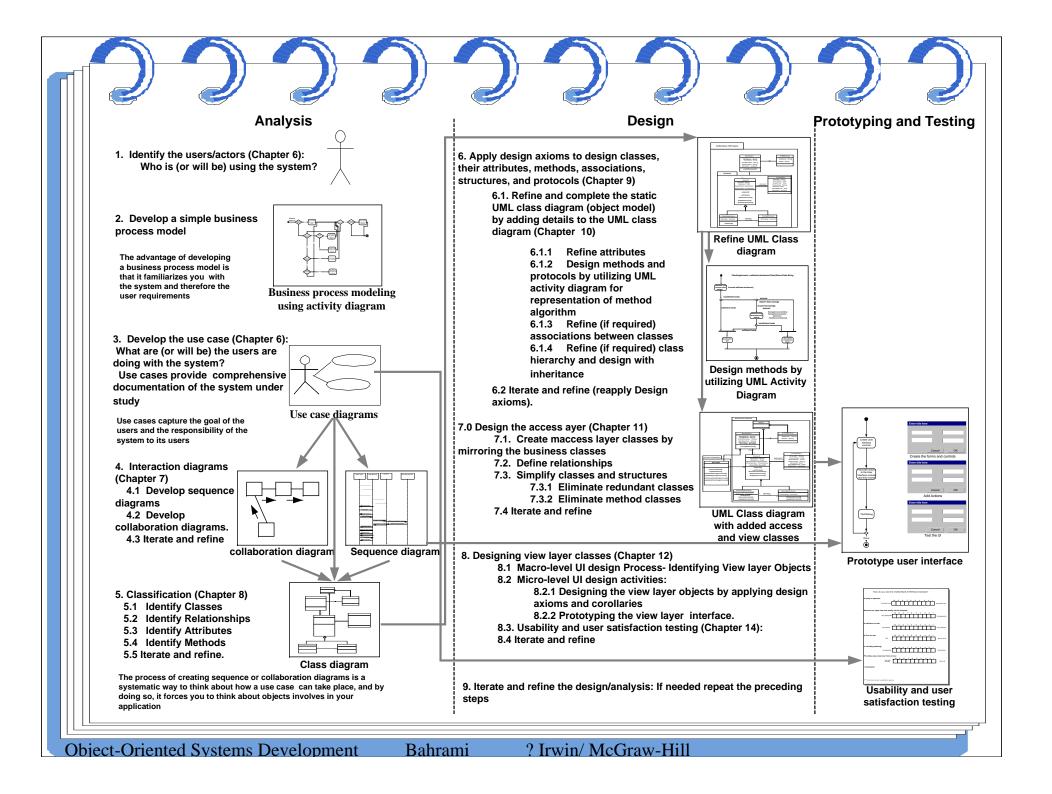
• UA utilizes the unified modeling language (UML) which is a set of notations and conventions used to describe and model an application.

Layered Architecture

- UA also uses a layered architecture to develop applications.
- The layered approach consists of view or user interface, business, and access layers.

Layered Architecture (Con't)

- This approach reduces the interdependence of the user interface, database access, and business control.
- Therefore, it allows for a more robust and flexible system.



Summary

• In an object-oriented environment, software is a collection of discrete objects that encapsulate their data and the functionality to model real-world objects.

Summary (Con't)

• An object orientation produces systems that are easier to evolve, more flexible, more robust, and more reusable than other traditional approaches.

Summary (Con't)

- This book is organized around the unified approach.
- The UA, based on methodologies by Booch, Rumbaugh, Jacobson, and others, tries to combine the best practices, processes, and guidelines along with the Object Management Group's Unified Modeling Language (UML).