Sequences Lesson 1 MD18

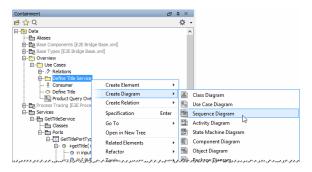


In the next modeling step, you will draw a sequence diagram documenting the Web service. A sequence diagram is a time-oriented view of the interaction between objects. An interaction may be modeled at any level of abstraction within the system design, from subsystem interactions to instance-level interactions for a single operation or activity.

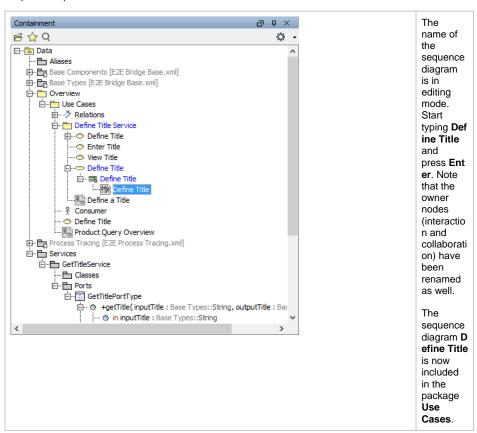
The sequence diagram has two dimensions: the vertical axis represents time, while the horizontal axis represents participating objects. Horizontal ordering of the objects is not vital to the operation, so you may rearrange them as necessary.

The sequence diagram is optional and will not be considered by the E2E Model Compiler as it is used for documentation purposes only.

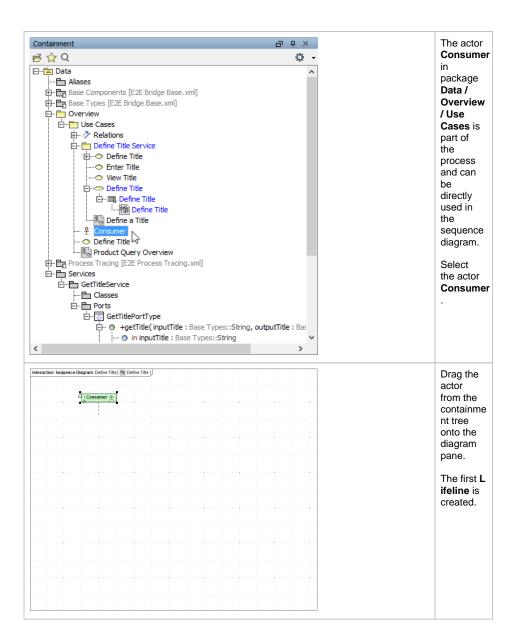
In the containment tree, expand the package Data / Overview / Use Cases, select the package Define Ti tle Service, and open its context menu. Select Create Diagram > Sequence Diagram.

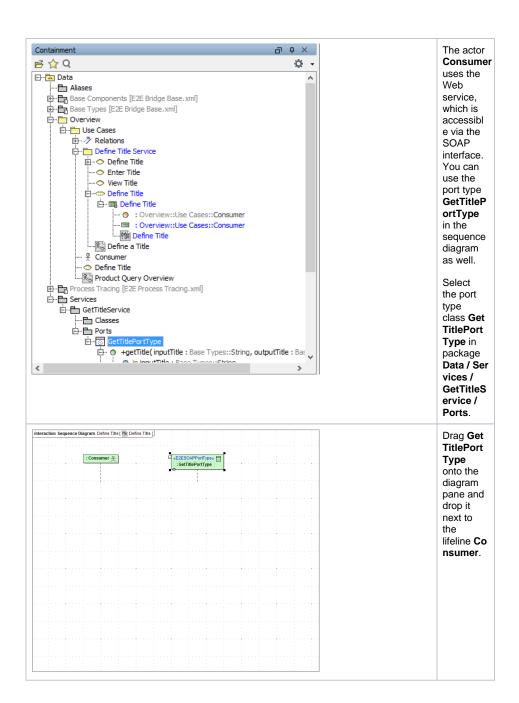


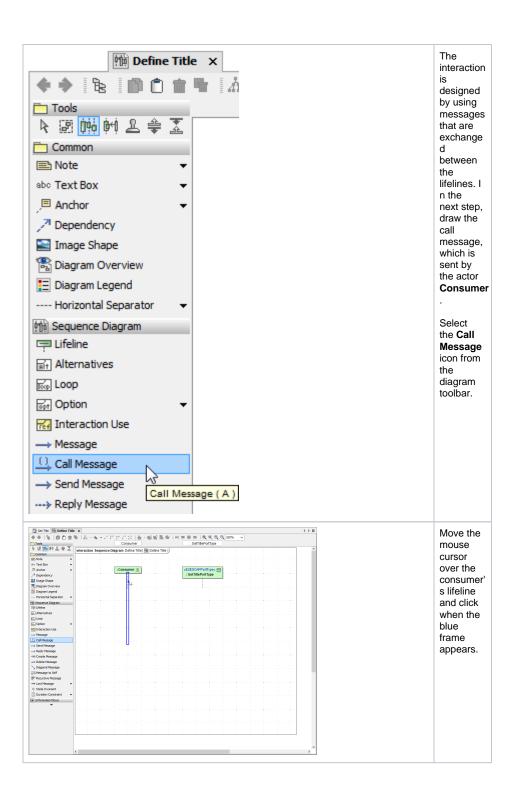
The sequence diagram will be created. In the containment tree, it is wrapped in an **Interaction**, a unit of behavior. The interaction is part of a **Collaboration**, which represents how elements of the UML model cooperate to perform an essential behavior.

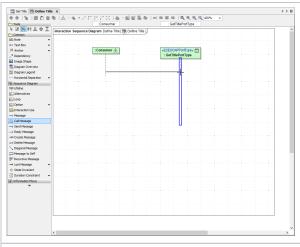




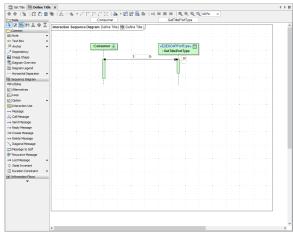






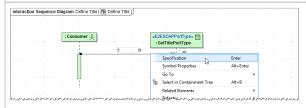


Move the mouse cursor over to the lifeline of the port type. When the blue frame appears, click again to draw the message.



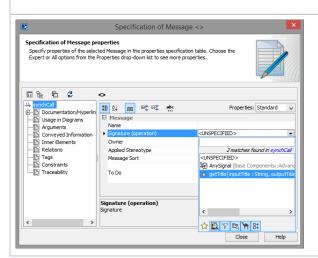
now created a call message from actor Con sumer to port type GetTitleP ortType. Now, you need to specify, which operation is called on the port type.

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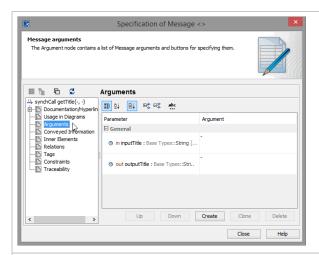


the call message and open the **Mess age** specificati on dialog via the context menu.

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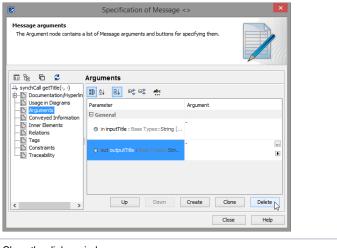


Define the **Opera tion** by selecting the operation **getTitle** from the drop down list.



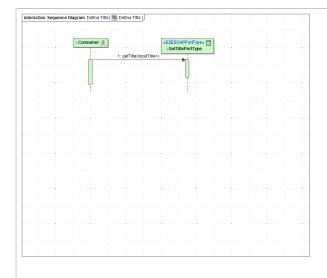
Next, click **Argu ments** in the left panel of the dialog.

The argument list shows two arguments, which correspond to the input and output parameters of the port type operation. Both are having default values (-), which will not be changed as no specific values need to be entered for this message. Since you only pass <code>inputTitle</code> as parameter to the SOAP operation, you can delete the argument <code>outputTitle</code>.



Click the second argument (paramete r outputTi tle) and delete it by clicking the Delete button on the lower right corner of the dialog.

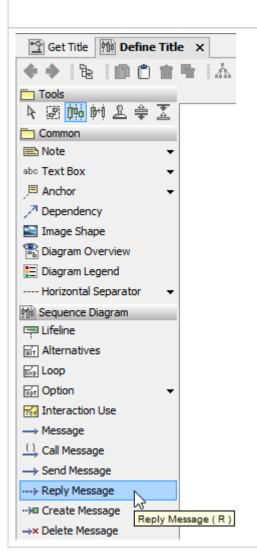
Close the dialog window.



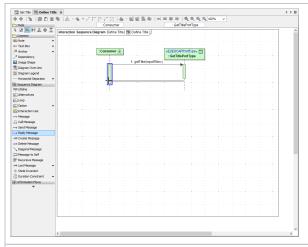
The call message has been defined. The actor is calling the port type operation **getTitle** and is passing the input parameter **inputTitle**.

In the next step, you will draw the reply message from port type GetT itlePortTy pe back to the service consumer Consumer

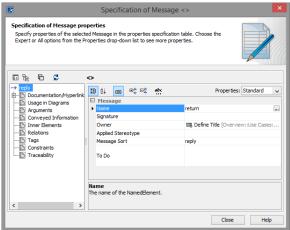
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Select the Reply Message icon from the diagram toolbar.

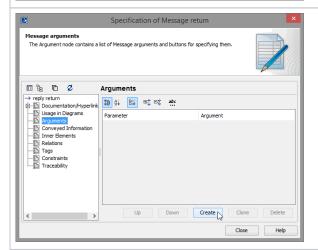


Draw the reply message from the lifeline of the port type to the lifeline of the actor.



Doubleclick the return message to open the **Mess age** specificati on dialog.

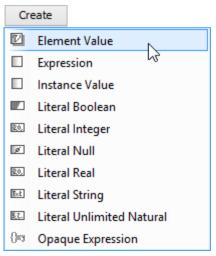
Enter retu rn in the Name field.



Now, you will assign the output parameter outputTitle

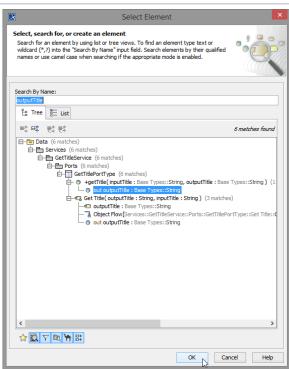
Click Arg uments in the left panel of the dialog. Then, click the C reate

button.



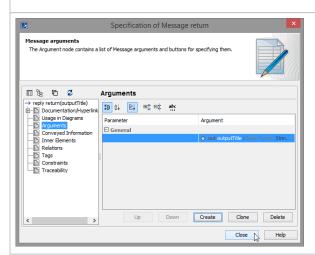
A list showing all possible argument types appears.

Select Ele ment Value .



The Selec t Element dialog window opens showing the content of the containme nt tree.

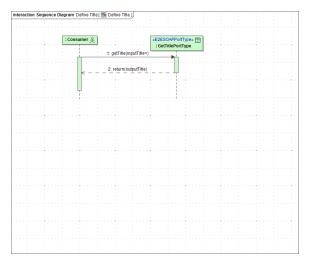
Enter out putTitle in the search field. Select the operation parameter outputTitle from **Data** Services GetTitleS ervice / Ports / GetTitleP ortType / getTitle and click Ok.



The parameter is displayed in the argument list now.

Close the **Message** specificati on dialog.

The sequence diagram should look like in the picture below.



Save the UML model.